

Press Release

ENTSOG publishes Summer Supply Outlook 2020 and Summer Supply Review 2019

(Brussels, 27 April 2020, PR0205-20) ENTSOG has today published its Summer Supply Outlook 2020 and the accompanying Review of Summer 2019.

In the Summer Supply Outlook report, ENTSOG has undertaken an assessment of the European gas infrastructure for the period from April to September 2020, including its ability to enable a high injection level in underground storages. Latest trends in terms of demand, supply and exports have also been considered, as well as alternative targeted storage levels.

It should be noted that the data collection process for this Summer Supply Outlook 2020 report was conducted in January 2020. Therefore, demand assumptions, gas supply potentials and maintenance planned were provided by European TSOs before influence of the COVID-19 pandemic. The impact on the gas supply and demand situation in Europe will be described in subsequent editions of the Summer Supply Review Report.

The conclusions from the Outlook report highlight the European gas network is sufficiently robust in most parts of Europe to enable:

- at least 90% stock level in almost all storages in preparation of the upcoming winter;
- planned maintenance with the purpose to ensure infrastructure reliability;
- some flexibility in network users' supply strategy; and
- supply gas to Ukraine with volumes comparable to previous summer seasons.

To complement the Supply Outlook report, ENTSOG also carried out a review of the previous summer to build better knowledge of seasonal dynamics of supply and demand. One of the keys finding of this review was that this last summer seasonal gas demand in Europe was 14% higher than the previous summer, reaching 1,902TWh. This reflects the increasing trend shown during the summers in 2016 and 2017 and is the highest gas demand since summer 2010.

Jan Ingwersen, ENTSOG General Director, said, "The European gas system offers sufficient flexibility across the season in Europe, with the Outlook assessment showing that the storage inventory level in April was the highest in the past nine years. However, it should be noted that the uncertain effects of the Covid-19 pandemic on demand levels, maintenance and construction works have not yet been fully evaluated."



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ENTSOG welcomes feedback on the published report, which is a key element for improving next reports in addition to adjusting for future needs of the market.

The Summer Supply Outlook 2020 and the Summer Supply Review 2019 reports are available here.

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Editorial notes

 European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) was founded on 1 December 2009 in line with Regulation (EC) 715/2009 to promote the completion of the internal market for gas by facilitating cooperation between national gas transmission system operators (TSOs) across Europe and in line with European Union energy goals. More information can be found on the ENTSOG website – www.entsog.eu. The current number of Members, Associated Partners and Observers can be found at www.entsog.eu/members.