

## Welcome to the Gasline Newsletter

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Gasline is published regularly as part of the industry's efforts to encourage the direct use of natural gas and LPG into households and small businesses.

Using natural gas and LPG as a direct energy source offers numerous cost, environmental and energy efficiency benefits. Gas New Zealand hopes to educate consumers and policy makers about the many advantages of making wider use of this strategic energy asset.

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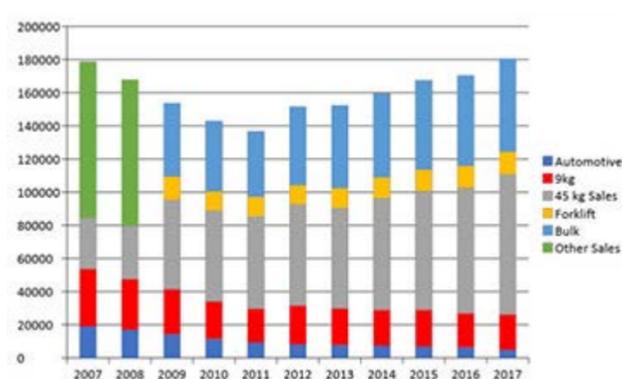
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### 2017 – a popular year for LPG in New Zealand

2017 was a successful year for the LPG industry in New Zealand, as it saw the highest sales ever recorded, with 45kg cylinders experiencing the most growth.

"This is significant to the industry. With just over 180,000 tonnes of LPG sold to both the residential and commercial sectors, the last time we saw numbers even remotely close to that was 2006/07 at 178,000 tonnes," according to the president of the LPG Association of New Zealand (LPGA), Graham Hardie.



LPG Sales in New Zealand

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### New and improved joint standard for NZ 'significant' for gas industry



An update to the New Zealand gas distribution systems standard is being hailed as "significant for the natural gas industry."

Australian Standards Committee Chair, Phil Colvin said NZS 5258:2003 and its Australian equivalent, the AS4645:2018 suite, required an update to suit the current natural gas context and facilitate a more coordinated set of standards between Australia and New Zealand.

"The AS/NZS4645:2018 – Gas Distribution Networks suite is the new and improved joint standard between Australia and New Zealand, which will be used to design, build and operate gas distribution systems in New Zealand."

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### Financial aid offered to those using 'cleaner' cars in France



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The French Government is offering financial incentives encouraging drivers to replace old vehicles with new or cleaner cars that emit less pollution.

Drivers of vehicles that emit less than 130g of carbon dioxide per kilometre are eligible for aid in a government-led effort to mitigate air pollution and reduce emissions.

The bonus will allow the conversion of gasoline vehicles registered for the first time before 1997 or diesel vehicles before 2001 (2006 for non-taxable households).

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### BioLPG – a new method for businesses to reduce their carbon footprint

SHV Energy Group is supplying customers globally with BioLPG as a clean, safe and efficient energy source as part of its 20-year strategy for sustainable development.

BioLPG is LPG made from completely renewable crop grown and waste feed stocks and can be used the same as the conventional kind, but with fewer environmental impacts.

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### Update on the progress of the GANZ Certificate of Competence and Qualifications Framework review

The Gas Association of New Zealand (GANZ) has begun an update of the Certificate of Competence (CoC) and Qualifications Framework to reflect the current needs of the industry.

CoC is used by the industry as the minimum requirements for those working in the Distribution and Gas Measurement System sectors. The CoC framework has proven very effective for the gas industry to date and is often described by other industry sectors as an example of what they strive to achieve.

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### STORY IDEAS?

**We are always looking for stories from both the natural gas and LPG worlds, as well as the wider gas community.**

If you have any story ideas for Gasline please [email Daniel](#).

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