



## POWERING CANBERRA

# Our pathway to electrification

**The ACT is preparing to transition away from the use of fossil-fuel gas by 2045.**

## Canberra's plan to transition

If we start working towards the transition now, Canberrans can make a long-term plan to swap out gas appliances for electric options. We want to enable the majority of Canberrans to save money by transitioning at a time that is right for them, like when appliances are due for replacement. This plan gives you certainty so you can start planning for the transition and commencing the switch.

This is going to be a long-term transition and we're not switching off the gas network overnight. Like the transition from analogue to digital TV, or the phase out of lead petrol, this will be a staged and managed transition over the next two decades. This will allow us to maintain a secure, affordable, and reliable energy supply across the ACT.

## Why it's important

Natural gas accounts for more than 20% of our emissions here in the ACT. Transitioning away from fossil-fuel gas is an important part of achieving our commitment to reach net zero emissions by 2045.

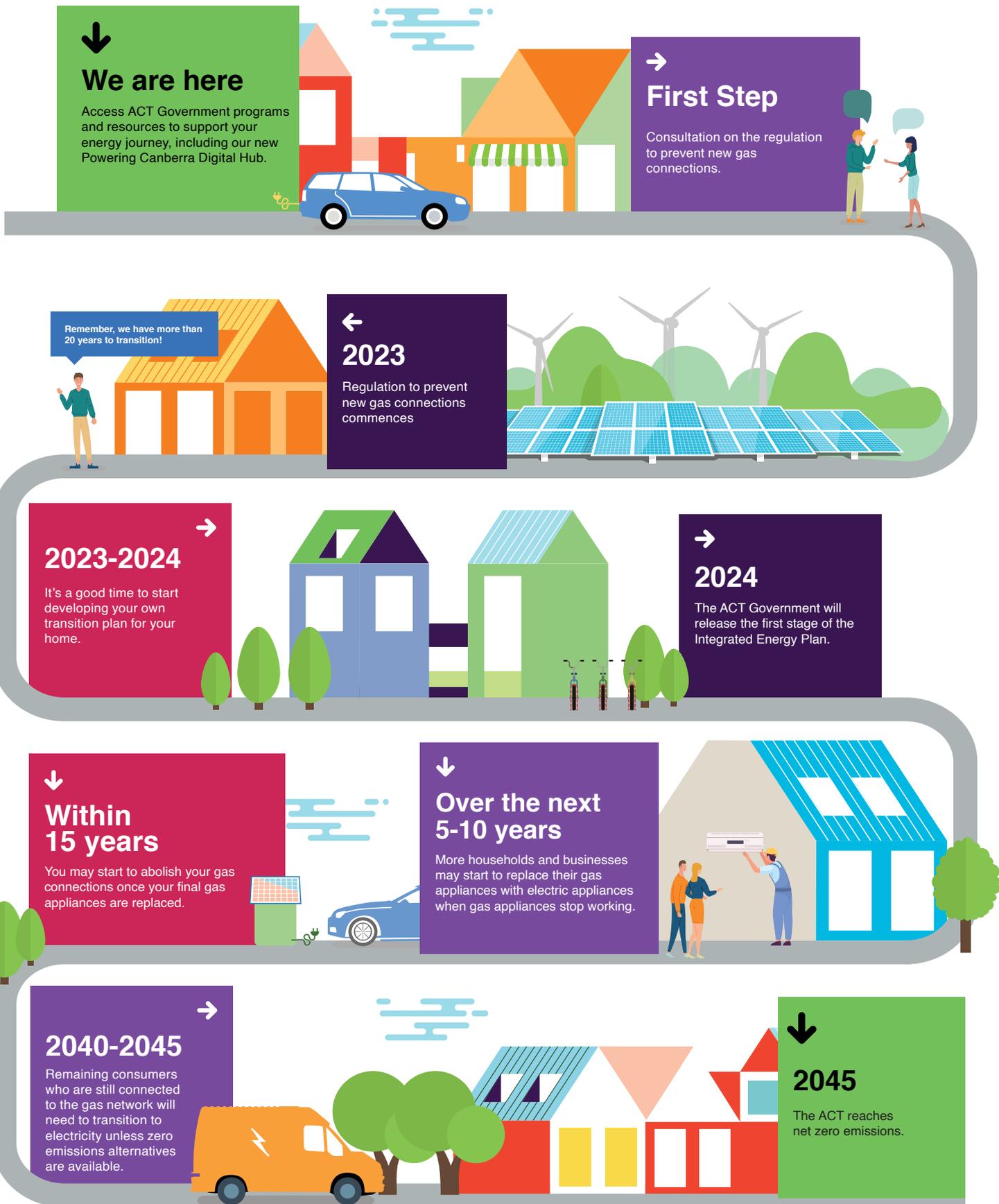
We're doing this because electrifying Canberra will allow us to power our Territory, our homes, our businesses and our transport in a cleaner and cheaper way. Transitioning to an electric energy supply is going to help many in the ACT to save money in the coming years.

## The first step

We will also be engaging directly across the community with businesses, community groups representing our most vulnerable, large gas users, developers and builders on our transition plan. The ACT Government will also begin consultation on the development of a regulation to limit new gas connections.

This will all help us work towards developing our Integrated Energy Plan by 2024.

# Our journey to 2045



# Support for households and businesses

There are already programs and rebates you can access to support upgrading appliances and electrifying your home or business if you're ready to make your next one electric.

## For households:

- > Apply for a loan through the [Sustainable Households Scheme](#) to buy energy-efficient products.
- > Attend a [Sustainable Home Advice workshop](#) on all-electric homes.
- > Access our [Renters' Home Energy Program](#) for free, expert advice on the best actions you can take to make your rental more energy efficient.

## For businesses:

- > Apply for a rebate for your business to upgrade to more energy-efficient products through the [Business Energy and Water Program](#).
- > Get free, expert advice on rooftop solar through the [Solar for Business Program](#).
- > The [Next Gen Program](#) supports the development of the energy storage industry. Rebates are available for your home or business.

## For concession card holders and pensioners:

- > You may be eligible for a rebate for the installation of rooftop solar through the [Home Energy Support Program](#).

**Find out more and access programs at [climatechoices.act.gov.au](https://climatechoices.act.gov.au)**

# Start your own energy journey

We've created *Powering Canberra*, an online hub to support Canberrans on the journey towards electrification and information on why we've made this decision.

This online resource allows you to explore options to transition and what government supports are available for you.

Visit [climatechoices.act.gov.au/poweringcanberra](https://climatechoices.act.gov.au/poweringcanberra)