

Gas Distribution Networks in 2024

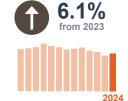


Network costs and expenditures

All dollar terms \$ June 2024

Network strevenue

\$1.6





Network revenues are regulated under price caps. Networks are able to recover the costs that an efficient network would require to provide core regulated services to consumers.

Incentive schemes



\$10 million reward

Incentive schemes provide financial rewards or penalties to encourage efficient behaviour with the aim to deliver better outcomes for consumers both now and in the future.

Network expenditure



\$1.1 billion



1.6% from 2023

With the revenue collected from customers, networks undertake operating and capital expenditure in order to provide a safe and reliable supply of gas to consumers.

Operating expenditure



\$ 588 million



7.3% from 2023



Networks are given an opex allowance to operate and maintain their network assets.

Capital expenditure



\$ 555 million





Networks are given a capital allowance to meet their capital expenditure objectives.

Capital asset base



\$11.8



1.2% from 2023



The total value of the networks assets that are used in providing its core regulated services.



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Network characteristics and service outputs



Customer numbers

The number of customers connected to the distribution network during the regulatory year.

4.5
million customers

1.2%

from 2023



Pipeline Length

The total length of pipe in the gas distribution networks at the end of the regulatory year.

76

thousand kms

1.0% from 2023



Gas delivered

The gas delivered to residential, commercial and industrial customers during the regulatory year.

268 PJs

0.5% from 2023



Unaccounted for gas

Difference between gas entering the distribution network from supply points and the gas delivered to customers.

9.6 PJs

8.6% from 2023



Outages

Outages includes both planned and unplanned outages in the gas distribution network during the regulatory year.

34,756

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0.6% from 2023

11,258
Unplanned outages



1.4% from 2023



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Financial performance

Return on assets



The return on assets (RoA) is calculated by dividing a network's earnings before interest and tax by its opening capital asset base.

The return on assets is suited to capital intensive businesses and allows us to compare network profits against their allowed rates of return.



EBIT per customer



EBIT per customer is calculated by dividing a network's earnings before interest and tax by the number of distribution network customers.

EBIT per customer provides an alternative perspective on drivers of operational profit margins.



Return on regulated equity



The return on regulated equity (RoRE) is calculated by dividing a network's regulatory profit after tax by its regulated equity.

The return on regulated equity illustrates the final returns available to equity holders after all its expenses and allows comparison against allowed returns on equity.

