Advancing Renewable Gas in Australia

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Gas Vision 2050 - 2 years on - Has Hydrogen become a thing?





Demonstration projects - Hydrogen





Demonstration projects - Bioenergy

Figure 6: Operating bioenergy projects by state and feedstock, as at September 2018³⁶



WA (22)

Municipal waste: 68% Agricultural residue: 18% Wood waste: 14%

QLD (49)

Municipal waste: 57% Agricultural residues: 27% Animal residues: 10% Wood waste: 6%

ACT (3)

Municipal waste: 100%

TAS (6)

Municipal waste: 67% Wood waste: 33%

NT (1)

Municipal waste: 100%

NSW (53)

Municipal waste: 58% Agricultural residue: 23% Animal residues: 17% Wood waste: 2%

VIC (35)

Municipal waste: 71% Wood waste: 17% Agricultural residue: 9% Animal residues: 3%

SA (10)

Municipal waste: 80% Agricultural residue: 10% Wood waste: 10%



Practical steps to decarbonise gas

Next 5 years

Beginning of biogas and hydrogen innovation and pilot projects.

20 - 40 years

5 - 20 years

gas networks.

CO₂ reduction through blending

of biogas and hydrogen in

Potential conversion of entire networks to CO₂ free biogas and hydrogen.



National Hydrogen Strategy

- COAG Energy Council endorsed the development of a National Hydrogen Strategy in Dec 2018.
- <u>The National Hydrogen Strategy will cover:</u>
 - Developing a hydrogen export industry
 - Hydrogen in the gas networks
 - Hydrogen for transport
 - Hydrogen to support electricity systems
 - Hydrogen for industrial users
 - Cross-cutting issues

Kick start projects

- Up to 10 per cent hydrogen in the domestic gas network
- hydrogen refuelling infrastructure
- International engagement



