

New figures show increase in energy efficient homes

Press release

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- Most new homes in the top bands for energy efficiency
- Number of domestic Energy Performance Certificates up 10% on last year.
- Government committed to a greener future as we build back better.

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In the last quarter 84% of new homes across the country were given an energy rating of A or B, compared to 79% in the previous quarter.

Statistics also show, 392,000 domestic Energy Performance Certificates (EPCs) were lodged in England, an increase of 10% from the same quarter in 2019.

EPCs are mandatory for all domestic buildings and provide new home owners with an indicator on how energy efficient their property is and how they can save on costs.

Figures published on Thursday highlight the government's continued work during the pandemic to keep the housing market open and increase the number of energy efficient homes.

Housing Secretary RT Hon Robert Jenrick MP said:

This government has gone to great lengths to support homebuilding over the past year by keeping the industry open and operating safely during the pandemic – alongside stimulating the market through the stamp duty holiday and a huge £12 billion investment in affordable homes. These latest statistics show the sector remains healthy.

Building back greener and delivering quality energy efficient homes is a priority for this government and these figures highlight our commitment to helping people keep household bills low for people, while looking towards a more sustainable future.

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