Insulation details & heating system sizing for the different heat pump house type combinations

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'Low temperature ASHP in a semi' 'Low temperature ASHP in a new build' House type & insulation details Heating system details House type & insulation details Heating system details New build semi-detached, 3 bedrooms: Low temperature air source 1959 semi-detached, 3 bedrooms: Low temperature air source heat pump: heat pump: Insulated timber frame walls Uninsulated cavity wall Heat pump rated capacity: Heat pump rated capacity: Pitched roof, 300mm loft insulation Pitched roof, 100mm loft insulation 5 kW 6.5 kW Insulated suspended timber floor Uninsulated suspended timber floor Back-up heater rated Back-up heater rated capacity: capacity: Modern double glazing Older double glazing 3 kW 3 kW Very airtight building with trickle vents Draught proofing applied to windows & doors 'High temperature ASHP in a semi' 'Hybrid heat pump in a terrace' House type & insulation details Heating system details House type & insulation details Heating system details 1959 semi-detached. 3 bedrooms: High temperature air source 1909 mid-terrace. 3 bedrooms: Hybrid heat pump (low temperature ASHP with a gas heat pump: Uninsulated cavity wall Uninsulated stone wall boiler): Heat pump rated capacity: Pitched roof, 100mm loft insulation Pitched roof, 100mm loft insulation 6.5 kW Heat pump rated capacity: 5 kW Uninsulated suspended timber floor Uninsulated suspended timber floor Back-up heater rated Condensing gas boiler rated capacity: Older double glazing Older double glazing 3 kW capacity: 15kW Draught proofing applied to windows & doors Draught proofing applied to windows & doors 'Hybrid heat pump in a semi' 'Hybrid heat pump in a detached' Heating system details House type & insulation details Heating system details House type & insulation details 1959 semi-detached, 3 bedrooms: Hybrid heat pump (low 1930 detached dwelling, 4 bedrooms: Hybrid heat pump (low temperature ASHP with a gas temperature ASHP with a gas Uninsulated cavity wall Uninsulated cavity wall (with heavy plaster) boiler): boiler): Pitched roof. 100mm loft insulation Pitched roof, 130mm loft insulation Heat pump rated capacity: Heat pump rated capacity: 5 kW 8 kW Uninsulated suspended timber floor Uninsulated suspended timber floor Condensing gas boiler rated Condensing gas boiler rated Older double glazing Older double glazing ▶ capacity: 15kW capacity: 18kW Draught proofing applied to windows & doors Draught proofing applied to windows & doors 1

Note: following the main study, a GSHP in a detached dwelling was modelled. A 12.5kW heat pump, with no back up, was simulated. The insulation details are the same as above.

Final report

Additional load profile analysis



Following the completion of the main report for ENWL, a small extension to the study was carried out to generate additional heat pump load profiles.

The additional analysis that was carried out is:

- Development of half hourly load profiles that reflect the 'average' of uni-modal (a single heating period per day) and bi-modal (two heating periods per day) heat pump operation.
- Calculation of the annual electricity consumption for the different heat pumps in different house types (see table below).
- Generation of load profiles for the 6 heat pump house types on a typical day in each month of the year.
- Generation of load profiles for GSHPs (see graph below). We expect a modest amount of GSHPs to be installed on ENWL's network by 2030, but for the future deployment of heat pumps to be dominated by ASHPs and hybrids (therefore GSHPs had not been included in the original analysis). For this analysis, a GSHP was modelled in a detached dwelling, with load profiles being generated on the same days as simulated in the ASHP analysis.

Load profiles for different heat pump-house types (considering uni-modal and bi-modal operation) on an average peak winter day



The table below illustrates the **annual electricity consumption** of the different heat pumps in different house types, during a year with an average winter.

Heat pump-house type	Annual electricity consumption (kWh)
Hybrid HP in detached	4,543
LT ASHP in semi- detached	6,415
HT ASHP in semi- detached	7,272
Hybrid HP in semi- detached	2,922
Hybrid HP in terrace	2,946
LT ASHP in new build	6,097
GSHP in detached	3,236