

# Energy Efficiency Obligation Scheme

## What is the Energy Efficiency Obligation Scheme (EEOS)?

The Energy Efficiency Obligation Scheme (EEOS) is a Government of Ireland energy efficiency scheme operating since 2014. The scheme is designed to promote energy efficiency in homes, businesses and communities in Ireland.

Actions carried out through the scheme are expected to achieve 60% of Ireland's energy efficiency target for 2030.



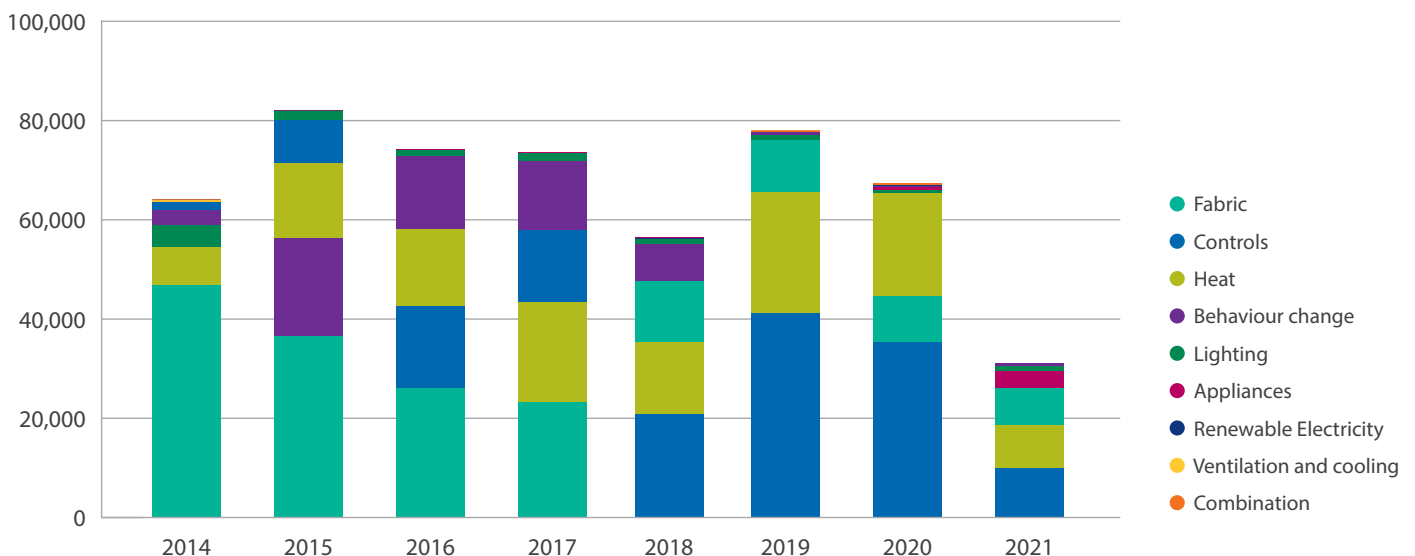
## How does the scheme work?

Under EEOS, the largest energy suppliers and distributors in Ireland are required to achieve annual energy efficiency targets. The 2014-2020 EEOS supported energy efficiency actions in more than 300,000 homes and 3,000 businesses. The most recent 2021-2030 EEOS obligation period continues to obligate large energy suppliers and distributors in the electricity, natural gas, liquid fuel, and solid fuel markets.

Large energy suppliers and distributors include companies that sell more than 400GWh of energy per year. These companies, known as Obligated Parties (OPs), are given specific annual targets based on their market share within the energy industry. OPs can achieve their annual targets by supporting homeowners, businesses and communities to carry out energy efficiency upgrades. For every unit of energy saved, OPs earn energy credits towards their annual goal.

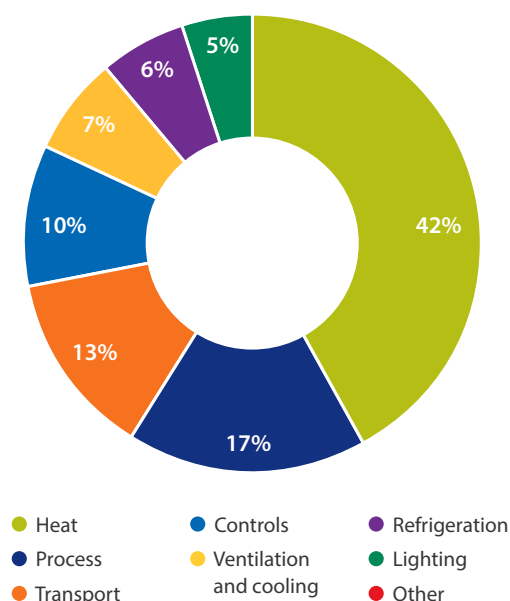
Since 2014 EEOS has supported **over 500,000 domestic energy efficiency measures** as detailed below:

Number of domestic measures installed by category type (2014-2021)



Cross Sector savings are from verifiable energy efficiency improvements in a building, transport, or a manufacturing process. Cross sector savings account for **85% of the EEOS energy savings** every year and in 2022 savings were made across the following areas:

### 2022 Non-domestic / Cross Sector savings



## Who is involved in the scheme?

### Key parties involved in the EEOS

Energy credits ↑	<b>Department of Environment, Climate and Communications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scheme design and policy</li> <li>Targets and enforcements</li> </ul>
	<b>SEAI</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scheme administrator and oversight</li> <li>Guidance, technical, savings calculations, reporting</li> </ul>
	<b>Obligated parties</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Legal obligations to achieve energy savings</li> <li>Delivering eligible savings to meet targets</li> </ul>
	<b>Third parties/ delivery partners</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working with/on behalf of OPs on projects</li> <li>Delivering savings on the ground for/with OPs</li> </ul>
Supports ↓	<b>Energy users/ beneficiaries</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Benefitting from EEOS support through more comfortable homes, more efficient businesses and lower energy bills</li> <li>Homeowners, industry, local authorities, SMEs, public bodies</li> </ul>

## What kind of supports can OPs offer?

EEOS can help support energy efficiency improvements for homeowners, businesses, local authorities and approved housing bodies (AHBs). This doesn't just include building improvements but may also cover the improvement of business processes, fleets and infrastructure. For OP support to be eligible under EEOS, the OP must contribute to the achievement of the project before the measures are installed and the project must result in final energy savings. To find out more about the role of OPs in EEOS follow this link: [EEOS for Obligated Parties](#). For more information on OP supports please follow the links below.

### Key supports for:



#### EEOS for Businesses

OP support can be technical and/or financial and should contribute to the realisation of the energy efficiency improvement project. Some examples of support include:

- A monetary amount per kWh
- Measurement and verification services
- Project management/ coordinator services



#### EEOS for Local Authorities & Housing Bodies

- A monetary amount per kWh
- Quality assurance services
- Tender evaluation support
- Technical supports (such as property surveys, BERs, HLI assessment, thermal bridge assessment)
- Project management/ coordinator services
- All OPs have a different approach, so it is important to contact multiple OPs, particularly if you are seeking a specific type of support.



#### EEOS for Homeowners

- OPs will typically work in partnership with One Stop Shops and SEAI project coordinators or other delivery partners to offer additional financial supports on top of existing SEAI grants, such as One Stop Shops, Individual Grants and Community Grants. These additional EEOS supports are given to encourage homeowners to invest in energy efficiency improvement projects.
- Homeowners can also contact OPs directly to enquire about support for home energy upgrades.