

Energy

Environment Canterbury's role is as an advocating and influencing agency for the promotion of the use of sustainable energy and energy efficiency



What we achieved this year

Within the energy portfolio we contribute towards achievement of one main community outcome:

Our contribution

- Our activities in this area link closely with external energy agencies, through partnering and advocating for energy efficiency. We continued to work with the region's energy stakeholders to enable and encourage the Canterbury region to have a resilient energy system.
- Of key agencies involved in energy efficiency, this year 67% rated Environment Canterbury's involvement in advocacy for energy efficiency as very good or excellent.
- We developed a draft Canterbury Regional Energy Strategy in consultation with a wide range of regional stakeholders and Central Government agencies.

Community outcome

The environment, in general, is to be looked after

In this portfolio we report on one level of service to illustrate our achievements this year.

Effect on the four well-beings



This group of activities contributes to environmental and social well-being. It has no negative effects on any of the community well-beings.

Other key achievements this year

- We prepared the Energy Chapter for the Regional Environment Report 2008.
- We worked with community groups to promote and improve uptake of energy efficiency measures.
- We investigated the vulnerability of the Canterbury region's businesses and communities to the impacts of Peak Oil.
- We developed a proposal that Environment Canterbury deliver a household energy efficiency project through the delivery mechanism of the Clean Heat Project.
- We lodged submissions on four notified city/district plan changes to ensure consistency with regional policies, and four resource consent applications notified by city/district councils to address energy issues.

Level of service

This section reports on performance for 2008/09 against Annual Plan targets.

1. Partnering and advocating for energy efficiency with energy-related agencies

Measure

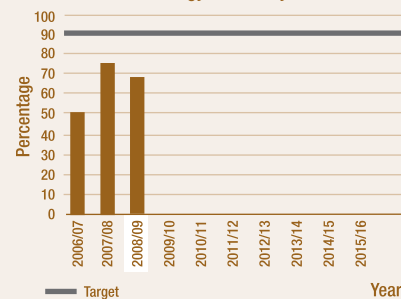
Key agencies rating of how Environment Canterbury is working with them in improving energy efficiency.

Target 2008/09

90% of key agencies rate Environment Canterbury's involvement as very good or excellent. (On a scale of very poor, poor, satisfactory, very good and excellent.)

67% of key agencies surveyed scored Environment Canterbury's involvement as very good or excellent. *Not achieved.*

Rating of Environment Canterbury's involvement in improving energy efficiency



Financial summary

\$000	Actual 2008/09	Budget 2008/09	Actual 2007/08
Total Expenditure	263	371	241
Funded by:			
General rates	263	263	243
Targeted rates	-	-	-
Grants	30	105	-
User pays and other	3	3	4
Total Funding	296	371	247
Reserves Increase/(Decrease)	33	-	6

Council agreed to delay a planned mini survey until next year when a full survey will be carried out instead.

Capital expenditure

Capital expenditure associated with this group of activities was funded from general funds and included as depreciation expense.