

# **Toolkit**Did it work? Monitoring and evaluating

Session 10

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# Overview of the appliance and equipment training sessions

Monday 14 October 2019		
0	Introduction and roundtable	$\square$
1	Planning energy efficiency programmes	$\overline{\checkmark}$
2	Selecting products for MEPS and Labelling programmes	$\overline{\checkmark}$
Tuesday 15 October 2019		
3	Assessing efficiency performance and setting MEPS	$\overline{\square}$
	Special - Regional harmonisation	$\overline{\square}$
4	Industry transformation	$\overline{\checkmark}$
5	Stakeholder involvement and communication	$\overline{\checkmark}$
6	The relationship between product efficiency and price	$\overline{\checkmark}$
7	Modernising energy efficiency through digitalisation	$\overline{\checkmark}$
Wednesday 16 October 2019		
8	Insights into energy labels	$\overline{\checkmark}$
9	Monitoring, verification and enforcement	$\overline{\checkmark}$
10	Evaluating policies and programmes	
	Special - Available resources U4E	
11	Roundtable discussion, review and report back	



### What is evaluation?

Evaluation is an **objective** process of understanding **how** a policy or programme was implemented, **what** effects it had, for whom and **why**.

Leads to more effective policies and programmes



#### What are indicators

Indicators are clues, signs or markers that describe **observable** changes or events which relate to a programme or policy and show how close a programme or policy is to its desired path and outcomes.

Indicators provide the **evidence** that something has happened – e.g. an output delivered, an immediate effect occurred or a long-term change observed.



# Purpose of evaluation

What we have achieved



How we can improve





# Different questions for different needs

Impact, what did we achieve?

- Regulators
- NGOs and public

Process, how did it go?

- Programme managers
- Partners

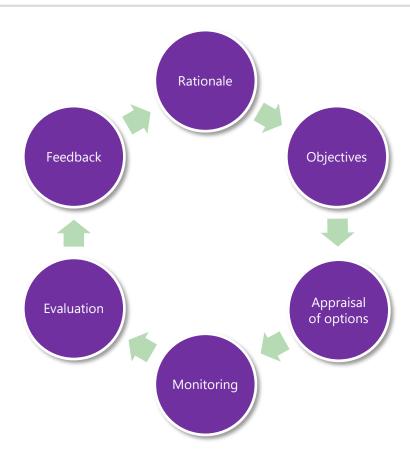
Economic, did we get value for money?



- Funders
- Treasury



# Indicators and evaluation in the policy making process





### Group exercise

As a group, list the reasons why indicators and evaluation are important?





# Theory of change

- Forms the basis of monitoring and evaluation
- Should be developed alongside policy/programme design
- Participative process
- Refine in the light of evidence



# Generic theory of change



Resources used to deliver the programm e/policy – time and money What is done e.g. determine and implement MEPS

What
happens
as a direct
result –
inefficient
products
removed
from
market

Effect of the change – installed product stock becomes more efficient

Wider effects

– reduced
energy
consumption
and CO2
emissions



### Example indicators and evaluation questions for MEPS

Comparison to baseline or counterfactual

Reduced energy consumption and CO2 emissions, improved energy security

What would have happened without the policy?

Energy consumption in use

Products installed and operated to use less energy

Are products installed and operated as expected?

Sales of products by level of efficiency

Consumers buy more efficient products

How do consumers choose products?

Proportion of products excluded from market

Adopt Minimum Energy Performance Standards

Were the MEPS set at the right level?



# **Evaluation should test assumptions**

Products operated as expected

Reduced energy consumption and CO2 emissions, improved energy security

Products used when expected

Customers would not have bought efficient products otherwise

Products installed and operated to use less energy

Old products disposed of

Market would not have changed anyway

Consumers buy more efficient products

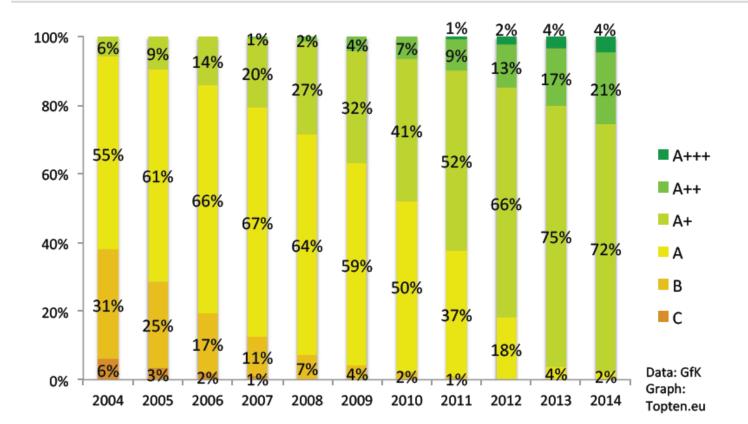
Enforcement is effective

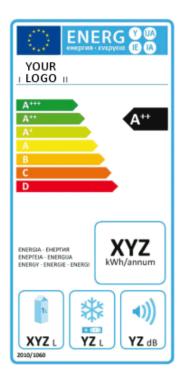
MEPS are sufficiently stringent to remove poor performing product

Adopt Minimum Energy Performance Standards



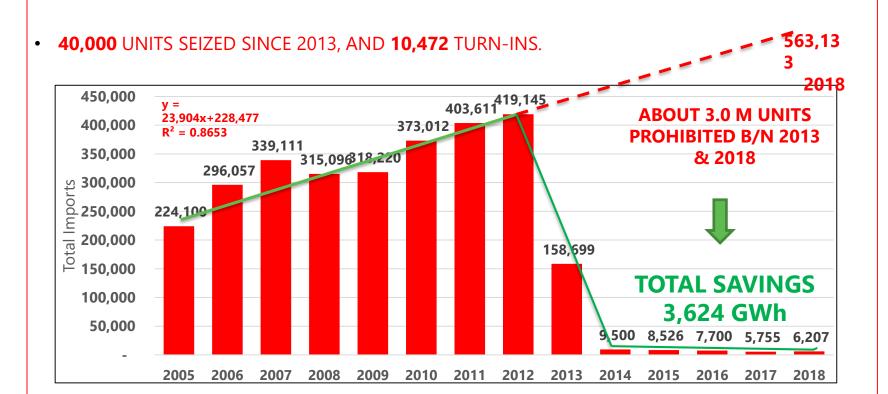
# Example indicator: EU Energy Label and Refrigerator Sales





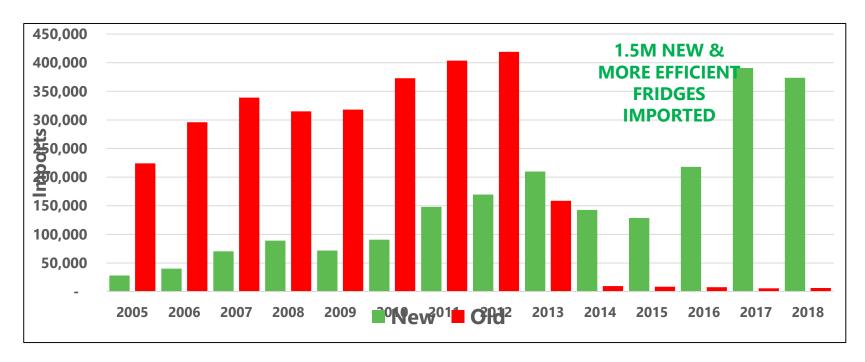


ABOUT 2,884,863 USED FRIDGES IMPORTED SINCE 2005.

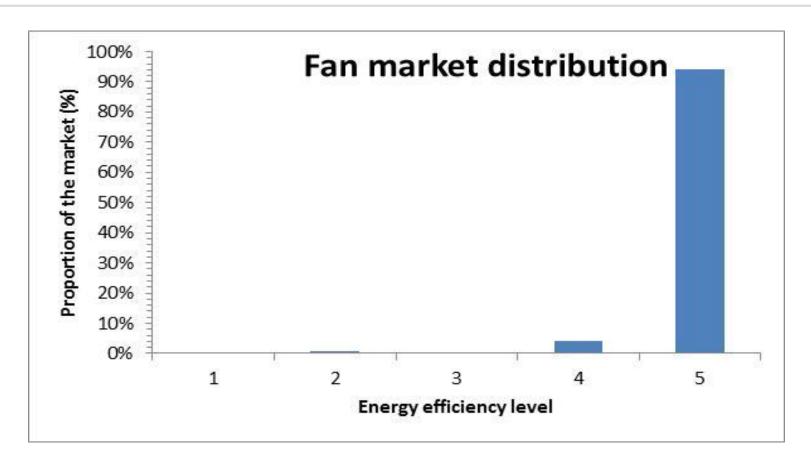


# <u>Trends in New Versus Used Refrigerator Imports (2005 – 2018)</u>

- Drastic reduction in used fridge imports from 2013 due to the enforcement of L.I. 1932
- and increase in the imports of the new fridges (I.i. 1958)
- B/N 2013 & 2018, NEW FRIDGES WOULD HAVE CONSUMED 489GWh instead of 1,757gwh, resulting in a saving of 1,268gwh.



# **Example evidence**



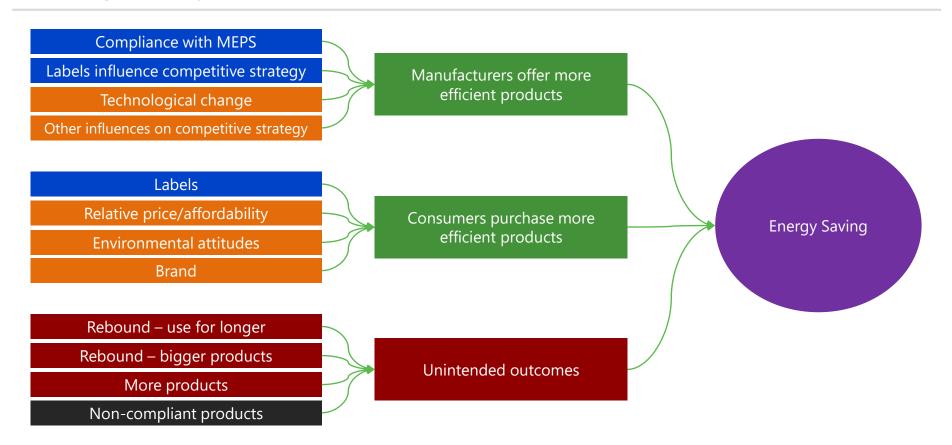


#### Did it work?

- Are appliances and lighting using less energy?
  - In total?
  - Than they would have done without the policy?
- Is it because of the standards and labelling policy?
  - How and in what circumstances is the policy making a difference?
- Could more energy be saved?
- What are the distributional effects?
  - Who pays and who benefits?

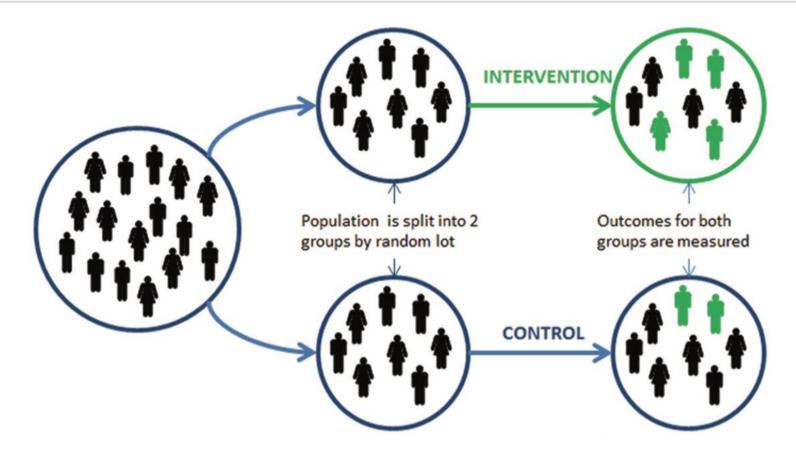


# Change isn't just caused by the policy





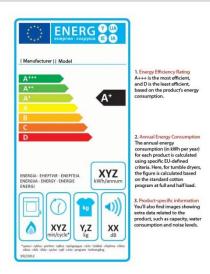
## Estimating the effect of energy labels – randomised control trial





## Example – randomised control trial

- Test the inclusion of costs on energy label + staff training
- UK Government + John Lewis department store
- Trial group of stores compared to control group
- Small difference for washer dryers, no difference for other products







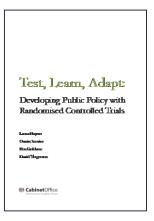
#### Randomised control trial

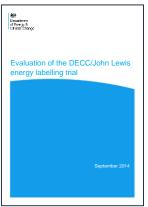
### Strengths

- "Prove" effect of policy
- In the circumstances of the test (when, where)
- For the indicator being measured

#### Weaknesses

- Doesn't tell you why the policy worked/doesn't work
- Doesn't tell you if the policy will work in other circumstances
- Challenging to design and implement







## Estimating the effect of energy labels – theory based

- In theory, labels reduce energy consumption because:
  - Consumers have a reliable way of choosing energy efficient products
  - Manufacturers are motivated to produce more energy efficient products
- Theory based evaluation tests:
  - Whether the policy was implemented as intended
  - Whether there is evidence to support the theory
  - What else might explain what has happened
- Contribution analysis assesses the contribution to the change made by:
  - The policy
  - Alternative explanations
- Assess plausibility with a diverse range of stakeholders



### Example of theory based evaluation

- Vietnam Energy Efficiency Labels
  - Implemented for a range of products in 2014
  - Survey of manufacturers found that labels had a:
    - Significant influence on manufacturers of air conditioning and refrigerators
    - Moderate influence on manufacturers of fans, rice cookers and lighting
    - No influence on manufacturers of washing machines and televisions
  - Survey of consumers found that labels influenced 85% of purchases to some extent





# Summary

- Indicators and evaluation are key to delivering a successful policy
- Use theory of change to identify indicators and evaluation questions
- Consider what else might cause changes
- Design evaluation to test whether your policy has made a difference
- Consider who pays and who benefits to ensure fairness















