

## Supporting 20 years of fuel poverty research

### The heating and housing of low income households

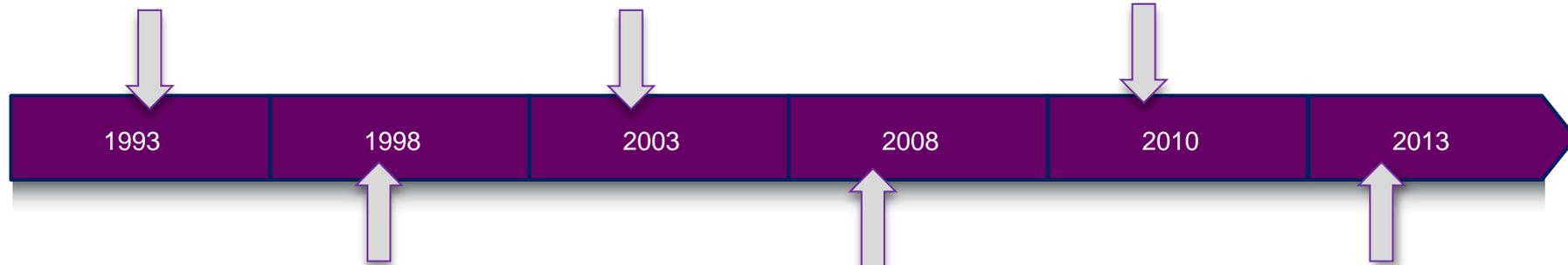
The first detailed picture of low income households suffering inadequate heating and insulation.

### Fuel poverty and health toolkit

A practical training resource for local health services, provided to all primary health care trusts in the UK.

### Distributional impacts of UK climate change policies

An examination of how different groups bear the costs of the transition to a low carbon economy, using a method to assess the distributional effects now used by DECC.



1993

1998

2003

2008

2010

2013

### Competition Monitor

Research highlighted how low income consumers were losing out due to the liberalisation of energy markets.

### Quantifying rural fuel poverty

The extent and characteristics of rural fuel poverty were mapped and quantified, with recommendations made for rural and anti-fuel poverty policies.

### Fuel poverty and disabled people: the impact of policy change

An investigation of the relationship between disability and fuel poverty, with recommendations to alleviate any negative and unintended consequences of policy changes.

## How Eaga Charitable Trust is valued

*“As we confront the twin challenge of fossil fuel dependency and rising fuel poverty, the need for integrated, strategic and robust public policy becomes ever more pressing. From the perspective of a cross cutting parliamentary select committee endeavouring to understand and recommend how the many contradictions facing the energy conundrum can be reconciled, the value of Eaga Charitable Trust’s work to inform this agenda is significant. It is vital that their work secures funding.”*

**Joan Walley MP, Chairman, Environmental Audit Select Committee**

*“Fuel poverty is right at the top of the news agenda, and rightly so. To tackle it most effectively, consumers need to understand the help that is available to them and we constantly need to be doing more to find new and better ways of supporting people struggling to pay their fuel bills. The Eaga Charitable Trust does vital and ground-breaking work in this field and deserves our support.”*

**Charles Hendry MP**

*“Eaga Charitable Trust’s support has really helped us to influence policy and practice nationally. They funded our analysis and mapping of fuel poverty at a local level and our work to expose the nature and scale of the problem in rural areas; these are now standard Government practice. Supporting our work to reveal the experiences of people struggling to keep warm has ensured that the real human impacts of fuel poverty aren’t lost in arguments over definitions and statistics.”*

**Simon Roberts, Chief Executive, Centre for Sustainable Energy**

The Trust’s research provides a valuable evidence base for policy-makers and is regularly cited in parliamentary papers, for example:

- **By Carillion Energy Services in 2011 to the Energy and Climate Change Select Committee**, on the barriers low income private tenants face in seeking energy efficiency improvements from their landlords;
- **By the Commission for Rural Communities in 2010**, highlighting the nature and extent of rural fuel poverty to the Energy and Climate Change Select Committee;
- **By the Scottish Parliament in 2009**, commending Changeworks on its prize-winning research, funded by Eaga Charitable Trust, which developed an approach to deploying renewable energy sensitively for vulnerable households in the UN World Heritage site that is Edinburgh City; and
- **By the New Policy Institute in 2008**, illustrating the links between fuel poverty and general poverty to the Treasury Committee scrutinising the Pre-Budget report.