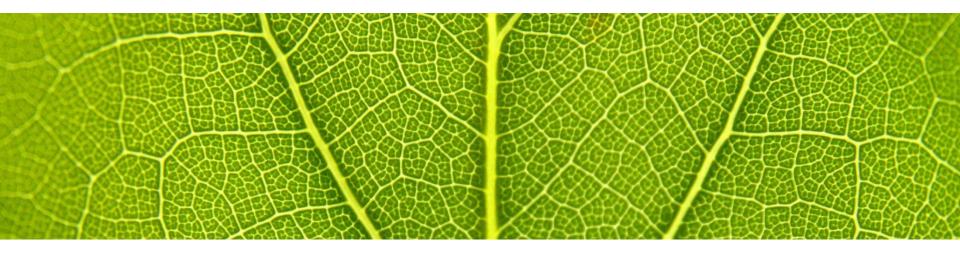


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#### Assessment of industrial energy prices

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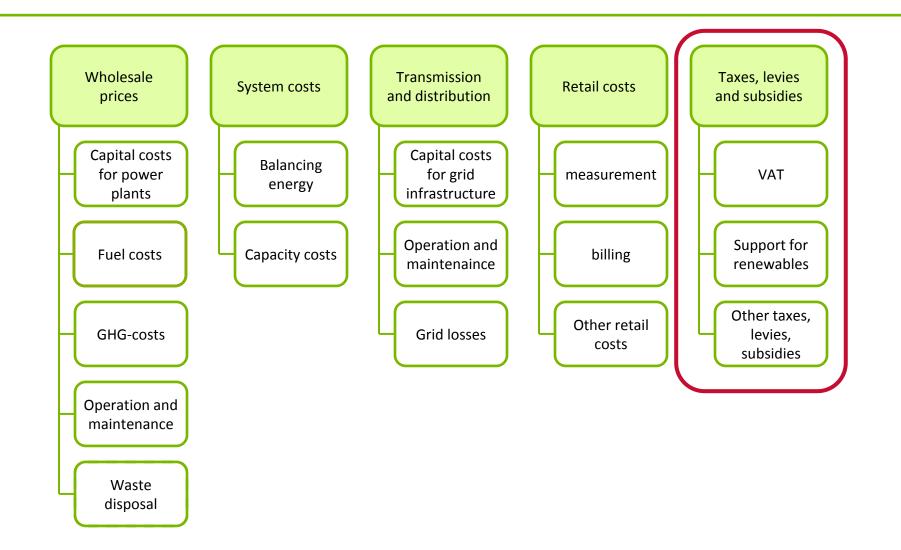
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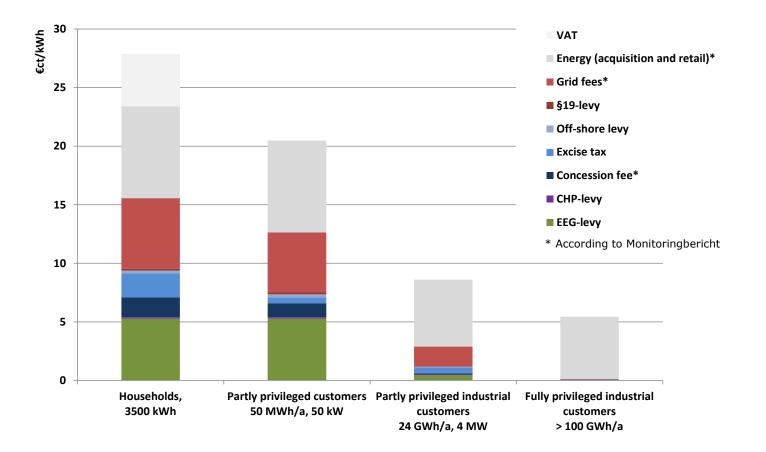


- Introduction: Electricity price components
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### Electricity price components



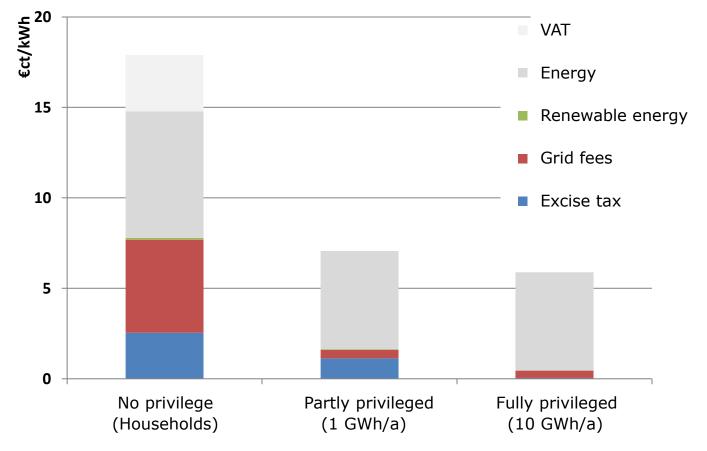
# Motivation: Studying Electricity price components in Germany 2013



In contrast to household prices, the energy component is the main driver of electricity prices for industrial customers.

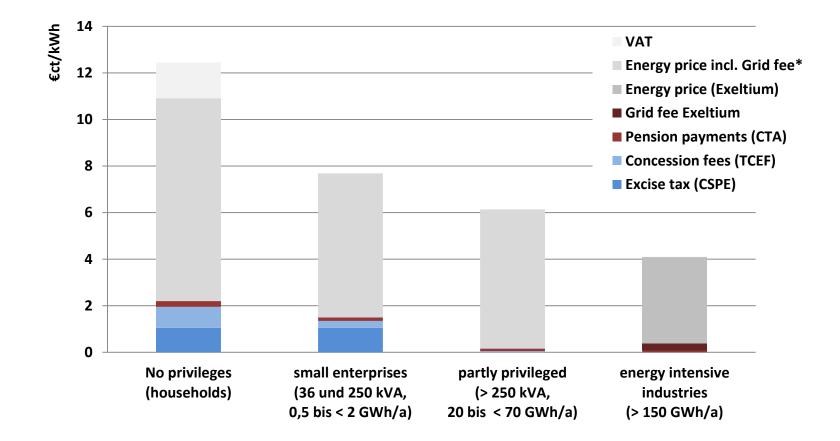
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# Motivation: Studying electricity price components in the Netherlands 2013



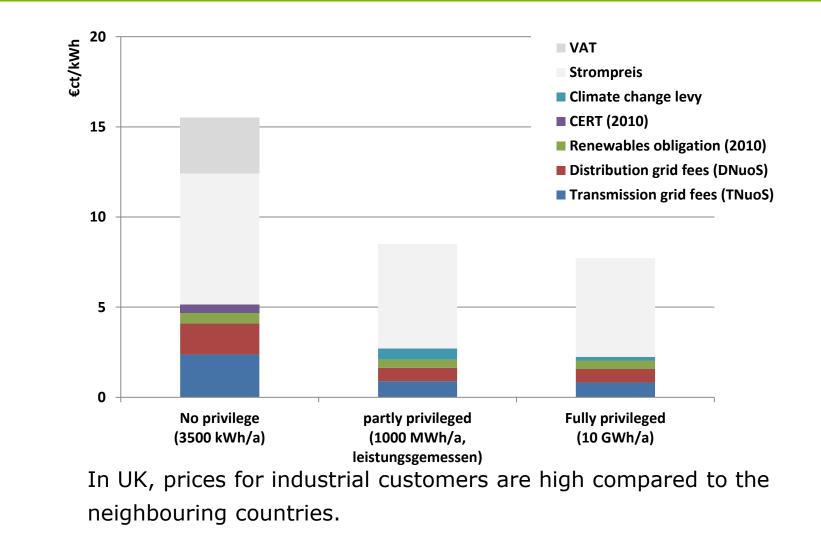
In neighbouring countries, industrial customers are also widely excepted from tax and levy payments.

# Motivation: Studying electricity price components in France 2013



In France, energy intensive industries the energy component is lower than the wholesale market prices.

# Motivation: Studying electricity price components in UK



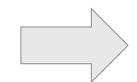
### Methodology: combining future and spot prices according to acquisition strategies

**Mixed strategies**: Most power intensive industries combine different acquisition strategies to hedge the risks of price variations

Most companies indicate a planning horizon of about two years.

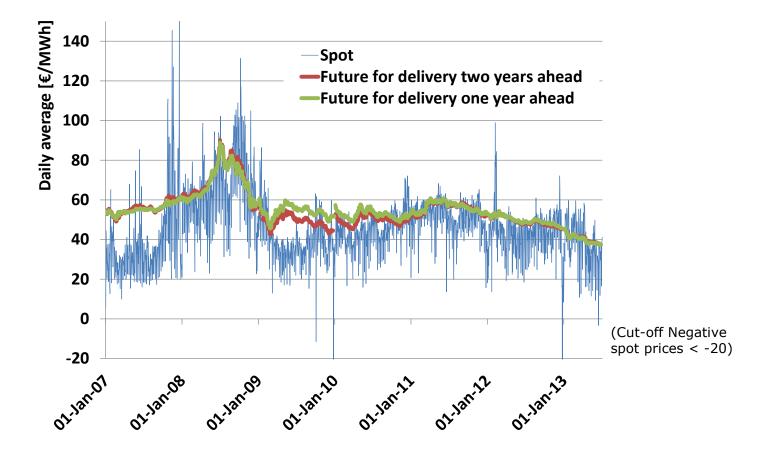
#### **Assumptions:**

Companies trade continuously Equal volumes for future products Demand for base load – flat demand curve

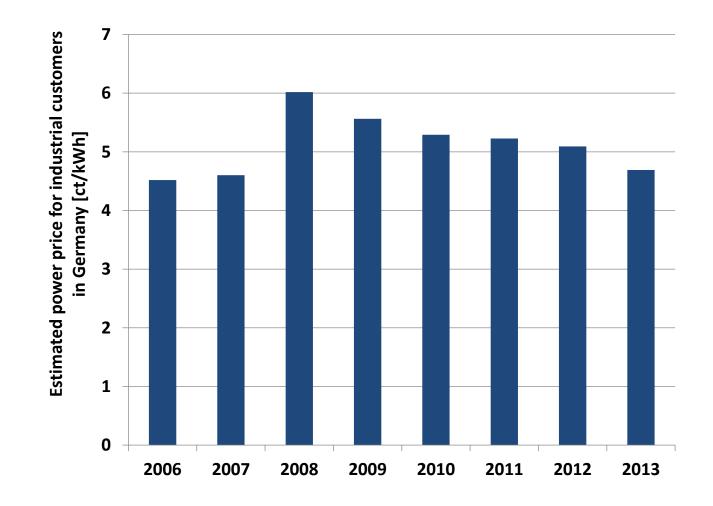


We combine the future prices from two previous years with spot market prices

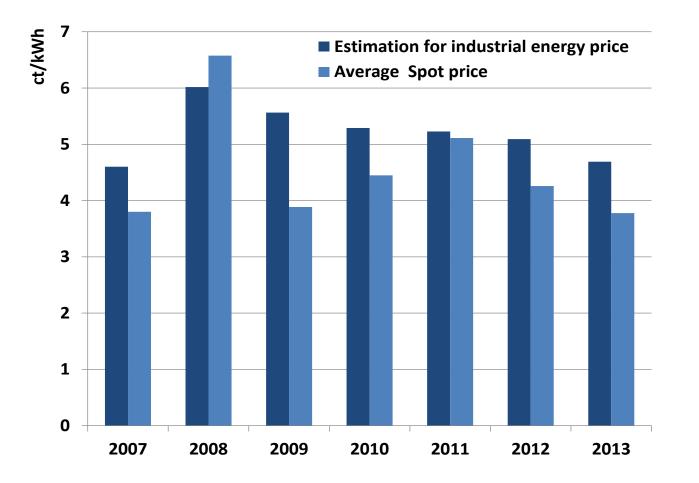
#### Data: Future prices in Germany



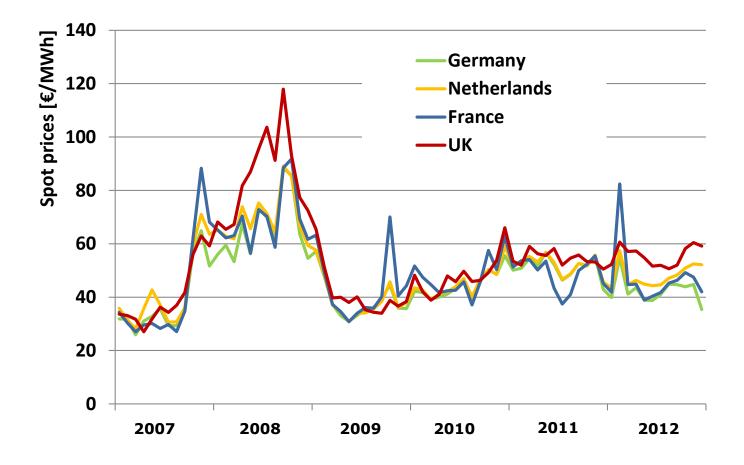
## Results: Average industrial electricity prices from 2006 - 2013



## Results: Comparison to average spot prices

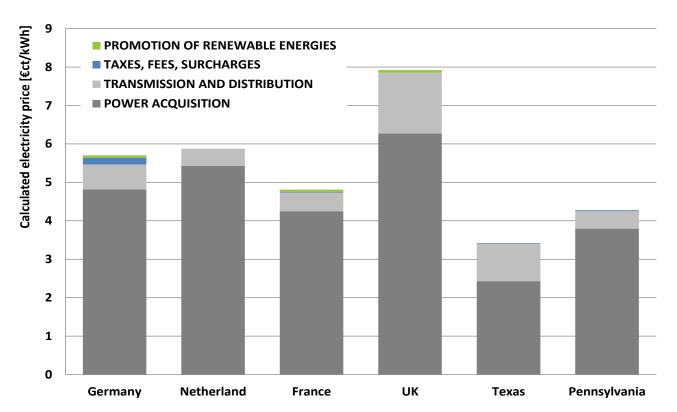


## Wholesale prices in neighbouring countries



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## Comparison for an energy intensive customer



Power price for electric steel producers

#### Conclusions

#### **General results**

- There are various taxes and levies in European countries
- All countries privilege energy intensive industries
- The energy component is the most important factor for industrial electricity prices

#### Main weaknesses and future improvements:

- Long term contracts cannot be evaluated
- Autogeneration is a big factor in energy intensive industries
- Regulation and prices are constantly changing, one point in time does not show development of price competition

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