



## Households under carbon constraint: What policies for a pathway toward low-carbon consumption in France ?

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### OUTLINES

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- 1 – Taking heterogeneity into account in our models is a priority**
- 2 – Presentation of TIMES-Households Model for France**
- 3 – Carbon Tax scenarios Results : impact on households budget**



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## Question

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In the context of a -75% reduction CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in 2050

- What are the optimal **technologies** and the optimal **timing** to invest ?
- How the **burden is shared between households** ?
- What does this optimal allocation implies in term of **policies** ?

➔ TIMES is particularly adapted to provide insights for such questions



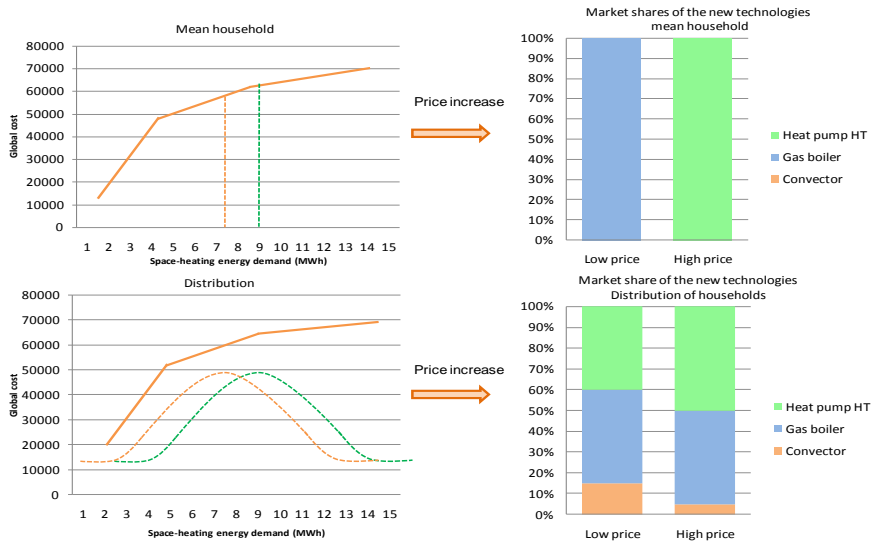
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**1 – Taking heterogeneity into account in our models  
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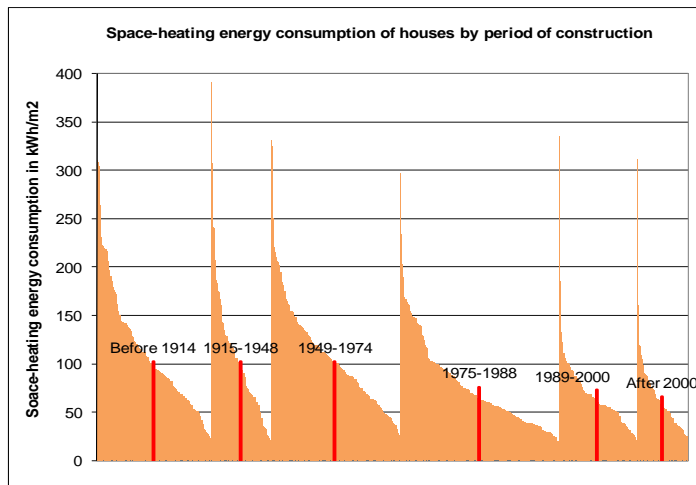
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# 1 – Why should we take heterogeneity of households into account ?



➔ Leads to **realistic technology diffusion**, adress the bang-bang effect issue 5/27

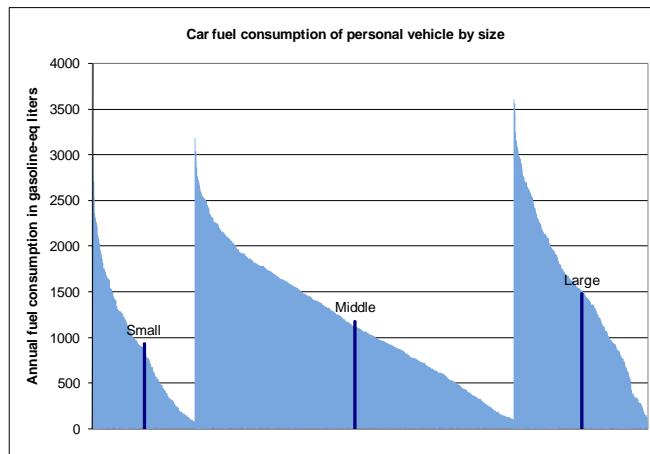
# 1 – Heterogeneity in space-heating energy consumption



➔ Impact of period of construction on consumption is obvious but limited



## 1 –Heterogeneity of car fuel consumption



Technical variables are insufficient to explain heterogeneity of energy consumption  
Necessity to include behavioural parameters



## 1 –How can we take heterogeneity into account in TIMES ?

$$\text{Min}(Cost_{\text{household}}) = \text{Min} \left\{ \left[ C_{\text{inv}} + \sum_{i=1}^{LT} \frac{\text{Demand}_{\text{household}} \times \text{price}_{\text{Energy}}}{\text{Efficiency}} \frac{1}{(1 + HR_{\text{household}})^i} \right] \right\}$$

➤ The technology diffusion in TIMES depends on **3 types of levers** that may be differentiated among households

### - Access to technology substitutes

Accessibility to collective transports  
Possibility to refurbish housing

### - Initial level of demand in energy services

Hot water needs, space to heat  
Distance to travel to go to work  
Arbitrations between cost and comfort

### - Required rate of return

Equipment purchasing behavior : space-heating, refrigerator, vehicle



## 2 – Presentation of TIMES-Households Model for France



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### 2 – Disaggregation of the energy demand in Residential sector

- 180 segments of homogeneous households : 6 variables

Role	Variable	Segmentation	Effect
Access to technologies	Type Housing	House/Flat	No wood , Solar SHW for Flats
	Ownership status	Landlord/Tenant	No insulation for tenants
Level of Demand	Area	Hou : 70m <sup>2</sup> /100m <sup>2</sup> /150m <sup>2</sup> Fl : 42m <sup>2</sup> /67m <sup>2</sup> /94m <sup>2</sup>	Space heating & lighting demand
	Thermal Insulation	3 quality levels	Initial thermal quality for roof, walls, windows & ventilation
	Income	5 income quintiles	Space-heating service Factor
	Size of household	Single/Couple w/wo children	Level of demand for SHW, cooking, appliances
Behaviour	Income	5 income quintiles	Implicit Hurdle Rate Capital constraint



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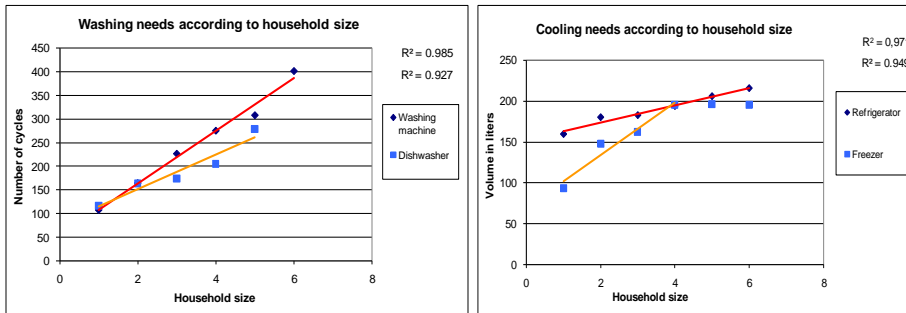
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## 2 – Residential part of the model (1/2)

Variable	Banned technology
Appartment	Solar water-heater Heat pump air/water
Tenant	Wall insulation Roof insulation

➤ Available technologies depend on **occupation status** and **type of housing**

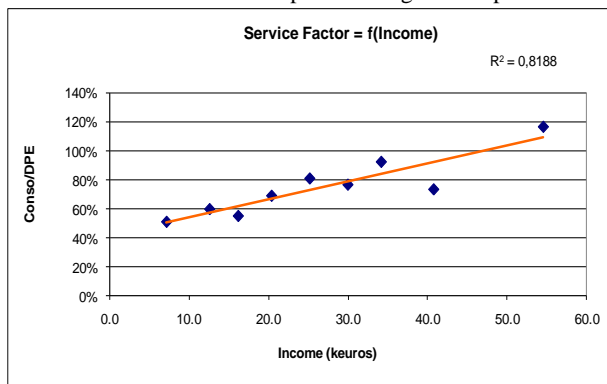
➤ Level of washing and cooling needs varies with **household size**



## 2 – Residential part of the model (2/2)

➤ Space-heating need depends on **living space** and **shell efficiency**

Ratio **deduced/normative** space-heating consumption



**Normative** : DPE-3CL method, used for French Dwellings Labelling  
**Deduced**: Deduced from Households energy bills (EDF survey 2009)

➤ But **Income** plays a significant role in the **service factor** level (confort level)



## 2 – Disaggregation of the energy demand in Transports sector

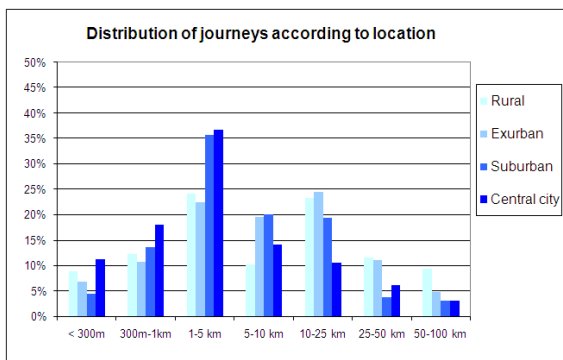
- 120 segments of homogeneous households : 5 variables

Role	Variable	Segmentation	Effect
Access to technologies	Urban area	City/suburban/exurban/rural	Collective Transports Offer
	Vehicle Ownership	Yes/No	Access to vehicle
Level of Demand	Urban area	City/suburban/exurban/rural	Distance to amenities
	Activity	Active/Inactive	Intensity of mobility
	Size of household	Single/Couple w/wo children	Level of pkm
Behaviour	Income	5 income quintiles	Implicit Hurdle Rate Capital constraint



## 2 – Transports part of the model (1/2)

- Mobility is disaggregated as a sum of journeys of different length
- The demand for energy service corresponds to a frequency of the different type of trips
- The frequency varies with **activity status** and the type of trips depends on **geographical location**



Type of mobility	Distance
Local mobility	< 300m
	300m-1km
	1-5km
	5-10km
	10-25km
	25-50km
Long-distance Mobility	50-100km
	100-200km
	200-350km
Very long-distance Mobility	350-500km
	500-1500km
	1500-3000km
	3000-8000km
	> 8000km



## 2 – Transports part of the model (2/2)

Type	Size	Weight	Power	Household size	Market share
Small	3,5 m	< 1000 kg	< 5 CV	< 3 pers	19%
Middle	4 m	1000-1400kg	5-7 CV	< 4 pers	57%
Large	4,5 m	> 1400 kg	> 7 CV	Tous	24%

- Size of the car depends on **households size**
- Potential of modal report depends on **location** and type of journeys
- Vehicles fill rate and efficiency may vary with **size of the households** end type of journeys
- Potential competition between technologies depend on the distance

Distance	Location	Bus	Subway	Train
< 300m	Rural	0%	0%	0%
< 300m	Exurban	0%	0%	0%
< 300m	Suburban	0%	0%	0%
< 300m	Central City	0%	0%	0%
300m-1km	Rural	0%	0%	0%
300m-1km	Exurban	0%	0%	0%
300m-1km	Suburban	0%	0%	0%
300m-1km	Central City	0%	0%	0%
1-5km	Rural	0,1%	0,0%	0%
1-5km	Exurban	0,6%	0,1%	0%
1-5km	Suburban	2,2%	0,7%	0%
1-5km	Central City	18,6%	9,0%	0%
5-10km	Rural	0,1%	0,0%	0%
5-10km	Exurban	0,6%	0,1%	0%
5-10km	Suburban	13,1%	6,8%	0%
5-10km	Central City	17,1%	11,4%	0%
10-25km	Rural	0,1%	0,0%	0%
10-25km	Exurban	0,7%	0,1%	0%
10-25km	Suburban	13,1%	2,4%	0%
10-25km	Central City	19,9%	8,6%	0%
25-50km	Rural	0%	0,0%	0,0%
25-50km	Exurban	0%	0,3%	13,6%
25-50km	Suburban	0%	1,1%	19,3%
25-50km	Central City	0%	5,4%	18,9%
50-100km	Rural	0%	0%	6,5%
50-100km	Exurban	0%	0%	14,5%
50-100km	Suburban	0%	0%	8,9%
50-100km	Central City	0%	0%	30,9%

## 2 – Impact of the Income on equipment purchasing behavior

- **Capital constraint** on annual investment

➔ Part of income allocated for investment in vehicle, space-heating system and insulation is constrained (Value INSEE 2006)

This annual budget share dedicated to investments may vary with Income quintile

- **Implicit Hurdle rates** are varying with income quintile (EDF survey 2009)

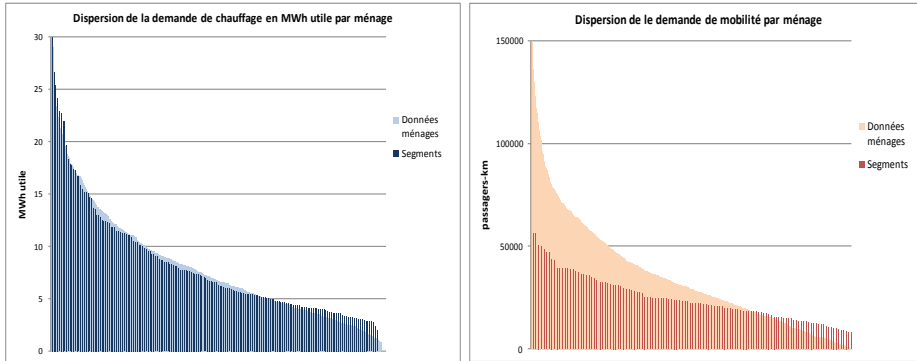
➔ **10.5%** Space-heating  
**25%** Appliances  
**8.5%** Personal Vehicle





## 2 – Effective disaggregation of the level of demand

Space-heating and mobility demand of the segments compared to survey data

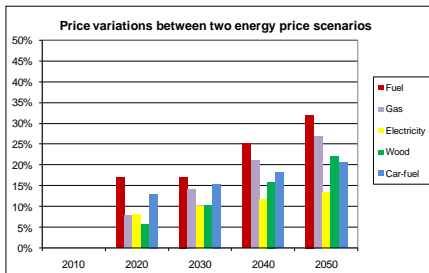
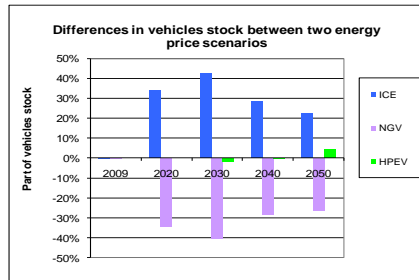
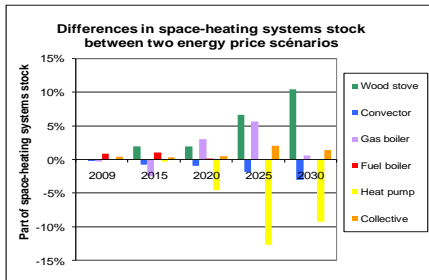


➔ TIMES-Households model has reached to capture a large part of heterogeneity in energy demand



## 2 – Impact of the disaggregation on the results in TIMES

Two price scenarios: average annual growth rate petrol barrel 1% or 2%



**Variations in stock of technologies between the two price scenarios are coherent with energy price variations**

### 3 – Carbon Tax scenarios Results and their impact on households budget

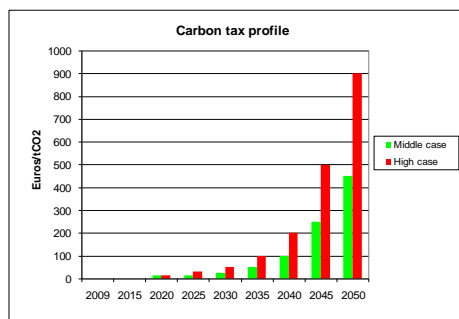


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### 3 – Two policy scenarios to reach -75% in CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions in 2050

- Reach a 75% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in 2050 for France **means for households**  
-24% en 2020 et -83% en 2050, results obtained with another model : TIMES-Fr



- « High Carbon Tax » scenario : 900euros/tCO<sub>2</sub> in 2050
- « Middle Carbon Tax + Subsidies » scenario: 450euros/tCO<sub>2</sub> in 2050
  - 50% rebate for insulation measures for low income households
  - 5000 euros subsidy for electric vehicle

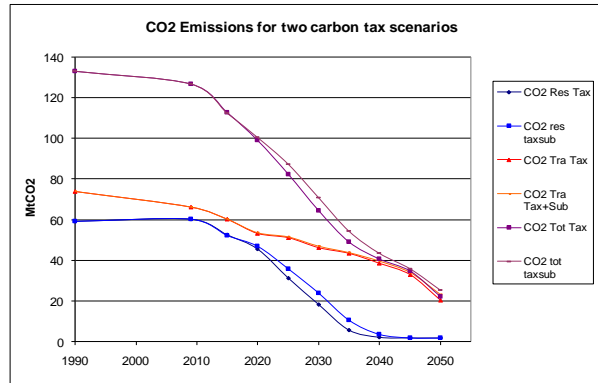


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### 3 – Two policy Scenarios to reach -75% in CO2 Emissions

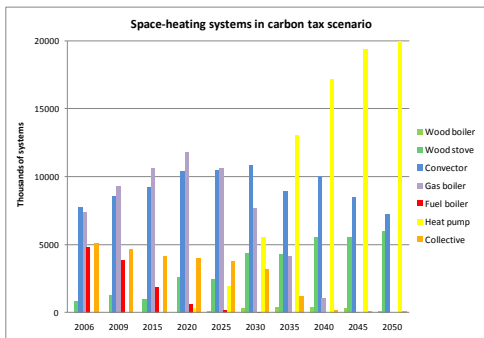
- Both « high carbon tax » and « mid carbon Tax + Subsidies » scenarios reach F4 in 2050



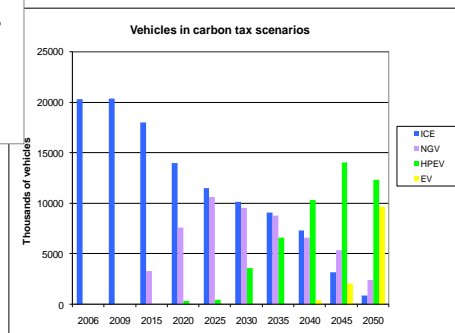
- The type of technology diffused are quite the same in both carbon tax scenarios
- The **difference** lies in the **kind of households who buy them**



### 3 – Carbon tax scenarios results : Equipments (1/2)



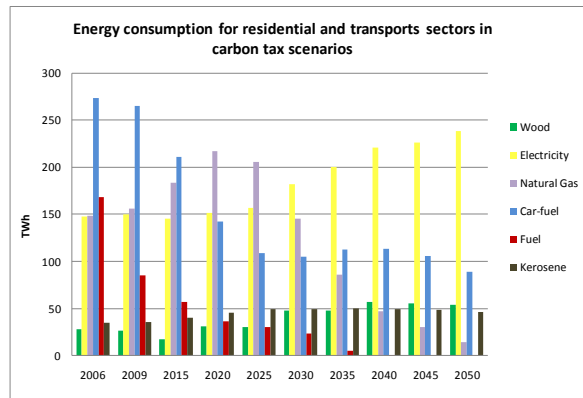
- PHEV's are developing in 2030
- **EV's are the last solution deployed** → **very costly** as they don't allow to go to long distance



- **Strong insulation** of dwellings
- 2 key-technologies to reach -75% reduction : **Heat pumps and HPEV/EV**



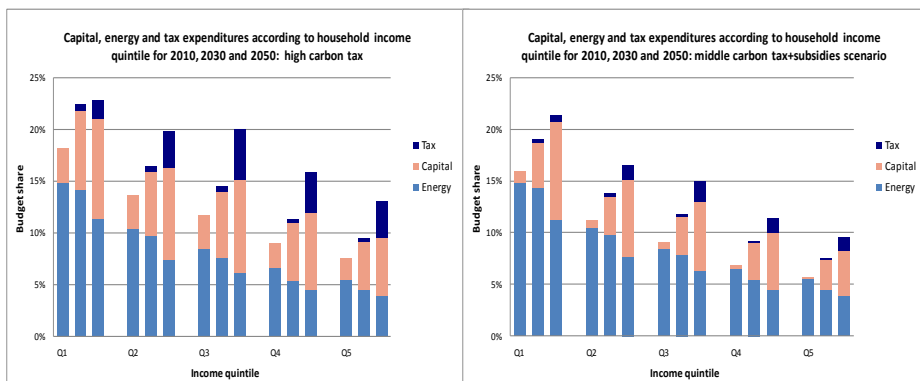
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- There is an increase of electricity consumption by 90 TWh in 2050
  - Natural gas consumption is increasing until 2020 and decreasing after:
- Good solution to reduce a little CO2 emissions not to reduce a lot



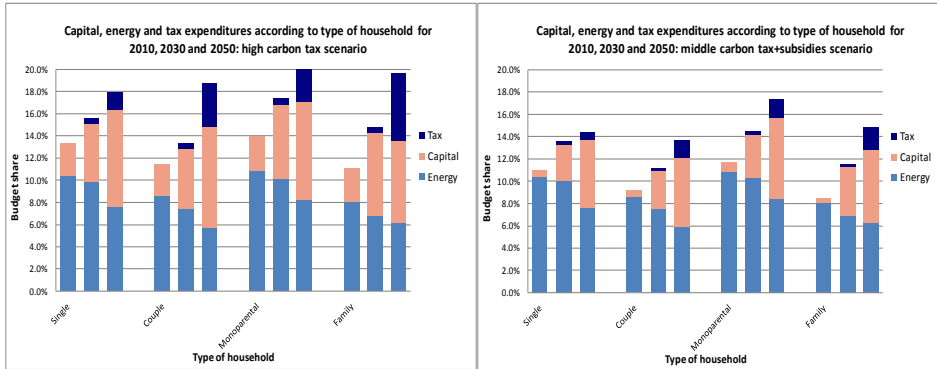
### 3 – Impact on households budget : income (1/3)



- **Least well-off households** experience an increase of their budget share allocated to energy



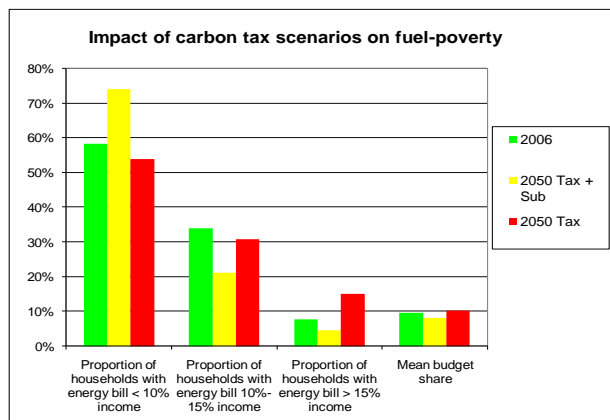
### 3 – Impact on households budget : type of household (2/3)



- **Families and especially monoparental families** experience an increase of their budget share allocated to energy
- The amount of carbon tax paid by households is decreasing when tax is accompanied by subsidies → **efficiency of carbon tax is enhanced by subsidies**



### 3 – Impact on households budget : fuel-poverty (3/3)



- This policy tool may **lower the distorting effect** of the single carbon tax as fuel-poverty decreases.



## Conclusion

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### Key-messages

- To reach a strong CO<sub>2</sub> emissions decrease : **Insulation** of dwellings, **heat pumps** and **PHEV/EV's** with a **low carbon electricity** are required
- Carbon tax is a powerful policy tool but its efficiency is **reinforced by** targeted **subsidies** (amount of subsidies reaches **35% of total tax revenue**)
- Subsidies may address the issue of inequity in the burden sharing and may also help to reduce fuel-poverty

### Methodology

- TIMES-Households captures the heterogeneity of the households energy demand in including both technical and behavioural components and leads to realistic technology diffusion
- This model provides useful insights about the detailed impact of policy tools. It would be very useful to link it to a macroeconomic model



## Appendix 1 –

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- Hypothesis en 2050
  - Biofuels **4Mtep**
  - Electricity emissions 10gCO<sub>2</sub>/kWh

