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Energy Saving Trust Consumer Segmentation





Why segmentation?

- Segmentation = grouping people with similar characteristics
- Enables you to determine best:
 - people to target
 - messages to promote
 - communication channels to use



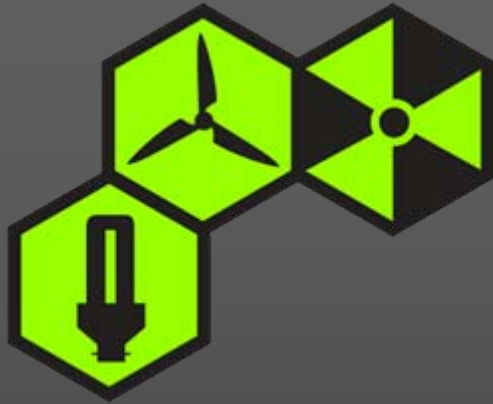


Mosaic and the Energy Saving Trust Segmentation Model

One of biggest consumer segmentation models

- 61 types based on age, gender, education, income
- EST grouped types into 10 segments based on:
 - home CO2 emissions
 - vehicle CO2 emissions
 - attitude to environment





Constructing the Model

- Model used to identify:
 - People most interested in protecting the environment AND
 - Largest capacity for saving carbon



The 10 Segments

1 Environmentally Mature



High consumers of home and vehicle energy.

2 Educated Advocates



Critical in next few yrs as lifestyle develops to larger homes and more cars

3 Discerning Elders



Energy bills still quite high. Moderate vehicle ownership

4 Comfortable Conservatives



Home and vehicle emissions above average – scope for reducing emissions

5 Little Britain



Home and vehicle emissions not high. Below average attitude towards environment

6 Restful Retirement



Those that are independent will want to save money; potentially interested in saving energy

7 Driving Dependency



Relatively new houses with lowest CO2 emission score

8 Financially Burdened



New large housing. Family demands make energy consumption relatively high

9 Ethnic Tradition



High proportion of extended families resulting in high energy consumption

10 Fixed Horizons



CO2 emissions just below average. Vehicle ownership low



1. Environmentally mature



- Affluent couples
- Large homes
- Well educated
- High consumers of home and vehicle energy





2. Educated Advocates



- Young couple and professionals
- Well educated
- Critical in next few years as lifestyle develops to larger homes and more cars





3. Discerning Elders



- On cusp of retirement
- Mortgage paid off
- Energy bills still quite high
- Moderate vehicle ownership





4. Comfortable Conservatives



- Professional couples
- Don't like to be pressured into change
- Home and vehicle emissions above average – scope for reducing emissions





5. Little Britain



- A cross section of modern Britain
- Suburban couples
- Home and vehicle emissions not high
- Below average attitude towards environment





6. Restful Retirement



- Elderly couples and widowers
- Low car ownership
- Those that are independent will want to save money; potentially interested in saving energy





7. Driving Dependency



- Young sharers or couples
- Car is a lifeline
- Relatively new houses with lowest CO₂ emission score





8. Financially Burdened



- Families with high expenditure on everyday living
- New large housing
- Family demands make energy consumption relatively high





9. Ethnic Tradition



- High importance of family
- High proportion of extended families resulting in high energy consumption





10. Fixed Horizons



- Poorer families and elderly couples
- Live in council or ex council property
- CO₂ emissions just below average
- Vehicle ownership low





Segments 1- 4

- Top 4 segments we believe will return greatest carbon savings
- Higher personal concern and motivation
- More interested in energy saving products and renewable technologies
- More willing and able to save carbon





Segments 7-10

- Less able or willing to make carbon savings
- Lower awareness of Energy Saving Trust
- Fewer energy saving products
- Less concerned about environment





Applying the Model





Avoiding 'spray and pray'

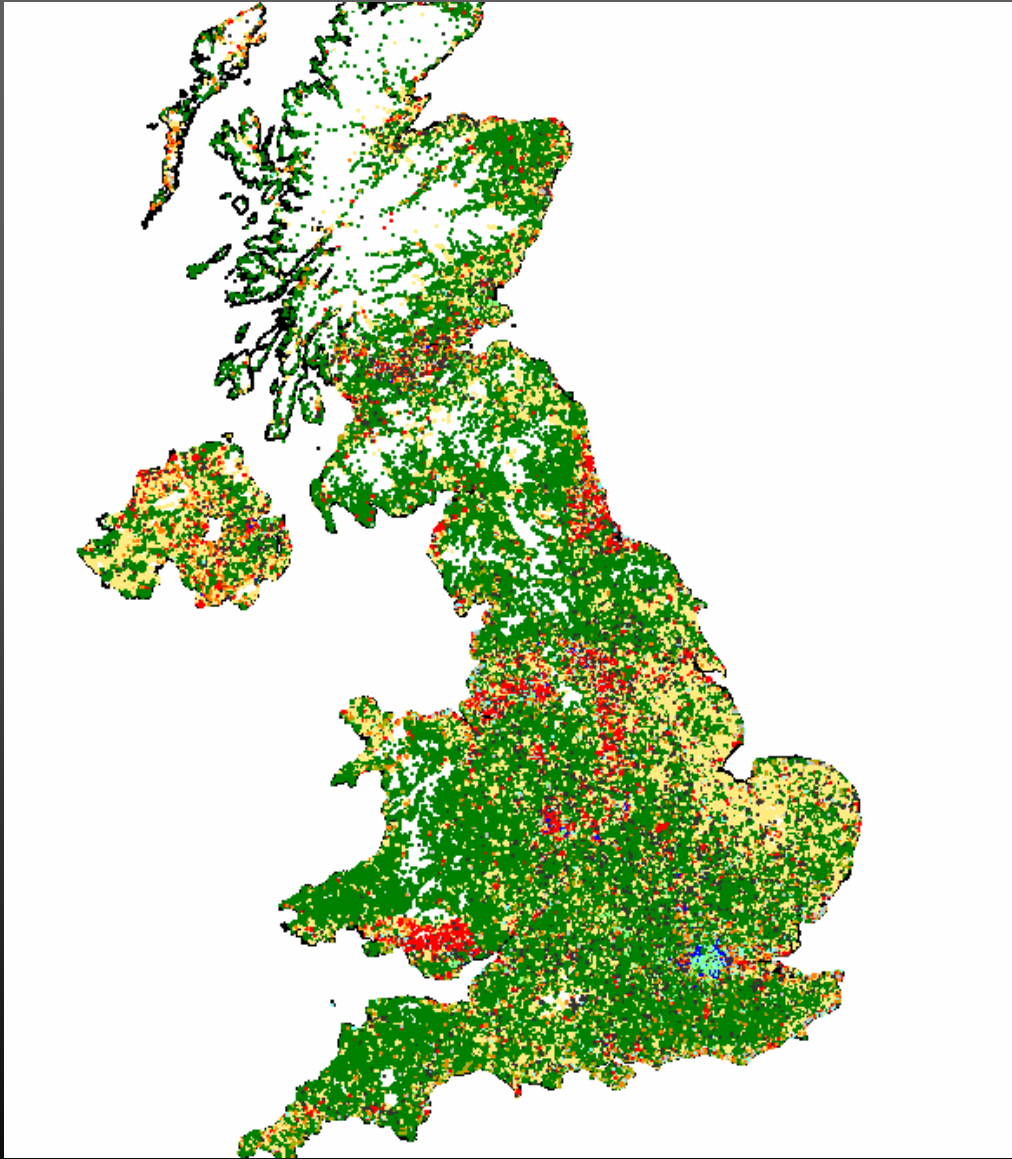
- Improves return on investment by targeting the best:
 - homes to mailshot
 - areas to hold events
 - partners to work with
 - media for advertising and PR





Segment spread

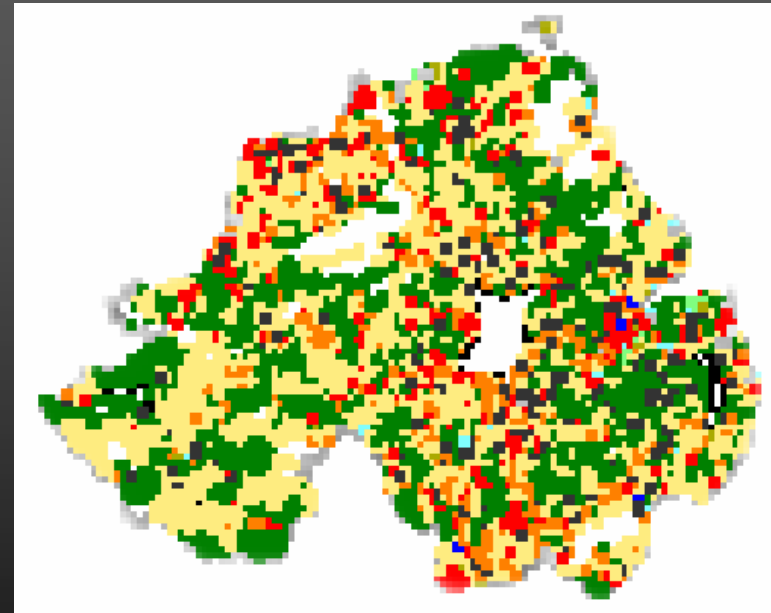
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Snapshot of Northern Ireland

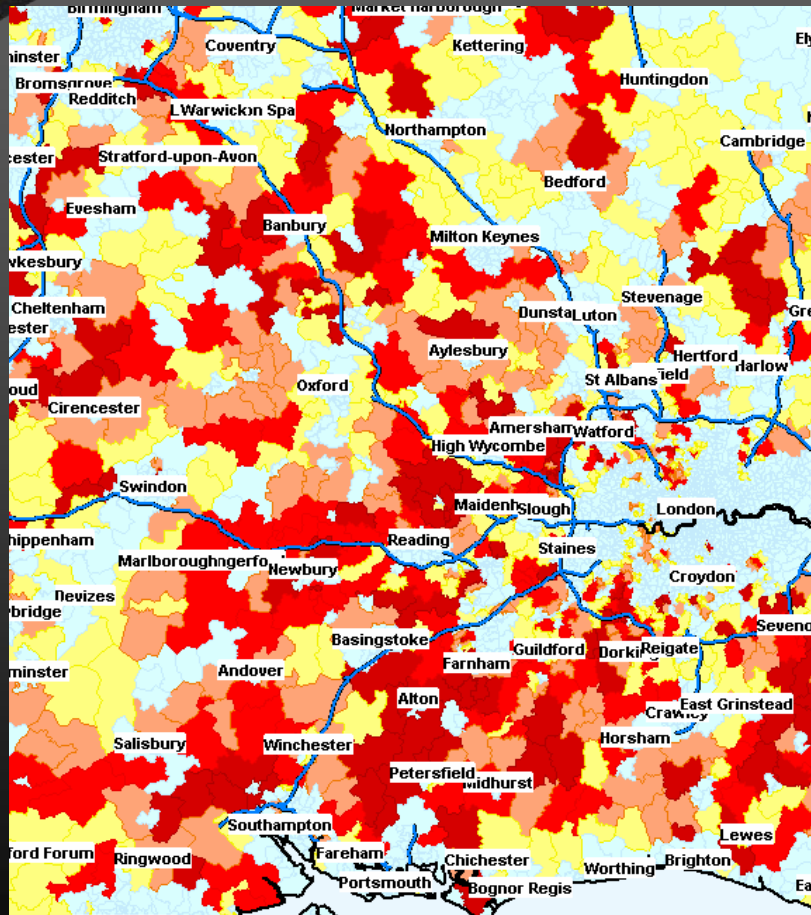
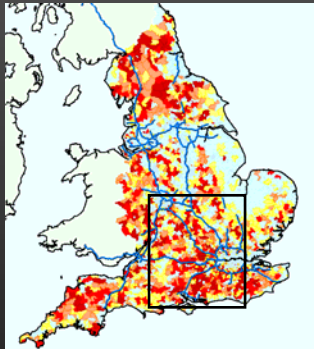
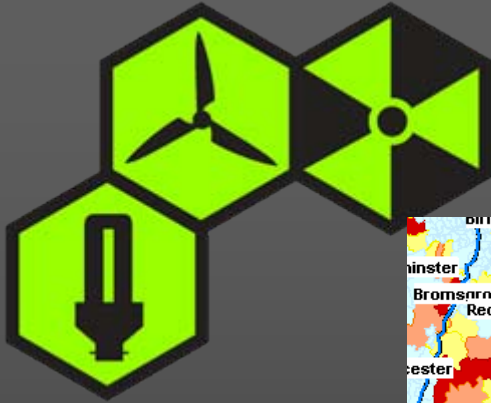
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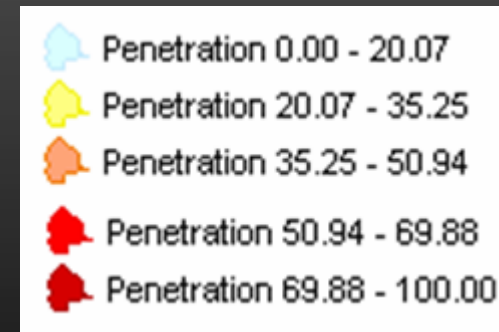
43% of households in Northern Ireland are Fixed Horizons



Identifying Hotspots



Hotspots of Seg 1 Environmentally Mature households in England (penetration %)





Example Activities

- Nationally:
 - Advertising in media consumed by segments
 - Direct mail campaign
 - Segment research informing most motivating messages
- Advice Centres using:
 - With HEED to target homes on specific measures e.g. CWI, renewables
 - Reaping greater carbon savings





Opportunities for HECA Network

- Energy Saving Trust advice centres have access to segmentation data
- Contact local centre to discuss opportunities
- Share your findings!

