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Which type of meter is right for my business?

What kind of meter we fit in your premises is probably the last thing on your mind. You just want to know your bills are accurate. Both an advanced meter (AMR) and a smart meter (SMETS) will give you that. So which one should you choose? We want to help you make an informed decision.

	Advanced meter	SMETS2 meter
Monthly consumption data in online account	✔	✔
Half-hourly consumption data in online account	✔	✔
Automated meter reads	✔	✔
Two way communications	✖	✔
Ability to link to a Consumer Access Device	✖	✔
Connection to the smart grid	✖	✔
Features maintained when switching suppliers	✔	✔

AMR or SMETS?

All Drax customers have access to their consumption data in their online account for free. If you don't have an account already, you can ask us to create one for you. Customers with an AMR or SMETS2 meter will be able to see their consumption data for every half-hour, unless they choose to share data with us less frequently (e.g. daily or monthly).

But what sets these two meter types apart?

If you'd also like to see your usage on a consumer access device, like an In-Home Display, you can link up your own if you have a SMETS2 meter – but we don't supply these as standard.

SMETS2 meters don't just register how much energy you use. They can send data to suppliers and network providers that helps balance energy supply and demand more effectively. Which will mean energy is not wasted and it can be re-routed more quickly to areas that need it in case of a power outage. In some cases, suppliers can even fix meter issues remotely, without having to interrupt your day with an engineer's visit.

What's next?

To book your meter installation appointment or find out more, email us at **smart@drax.com**