Gas: Arera publishes the commodity price for the Vulnerability Protection Service for October 2026

(typical customer bill +9.1% compared with September)

Milan, 3 November 2026 – Arera announces the **value of the natural gas commodity** for the vulnerability protection service for October 2026.

The gas price component covering procurement costs ($C_{MEM,m}$), **applied only to customers under the vulnerability protection service**, is updated by ARERA as the monthly average of the price on the Italian wholesale market (the VTP day-ahead) and published within the first two working days of the month following the reference period.

For October 2026, wholesale prices increased significantly, resulting in a 9.1% increase in the total bill for the typical customer compared with the previous month. Accordingly, for the approximately 2.3 million customers still served under the Vulnerability Protection Service, the price of the gas commodity component alone ($C_{MEM,m}$) amounts to **88.36 €/MWh**.

The values of the $C_{MEM,m}$ component published today on www.arera.it

October 2026	**Euro/GJ**	**Euro/Smc***	**Euro/MWh**
Component $C_{MEM,m}$	24,544,028	0,945,436	88.3585

*refers to standard cubic metres of natural gas with a reference gross calorific value of 0.038520 GJ/Smc

All updated electricity and gas bill values are available on www.arera.it.

UPDATE ON THE CONDITIONS
OF THE GAS VULNERABILITY PROTECTION SERVICE FOR OCTOBER 2026

NATURAL GAS – For October 2026, the *reference price* of gas for the new average customer[1] is 176.80 euro cents per cubic meter (+9.1% compared with September), broken down as follows:

Expenditure on the natural gas commodity:

- 97.06 euro cents (equivalent to 54.9% of the total bill) for the supply of natural gas and related activities;
- 5.83 euro cents (3.3% of the total bill) for retail sale.

Expenditure on transport and meter management:

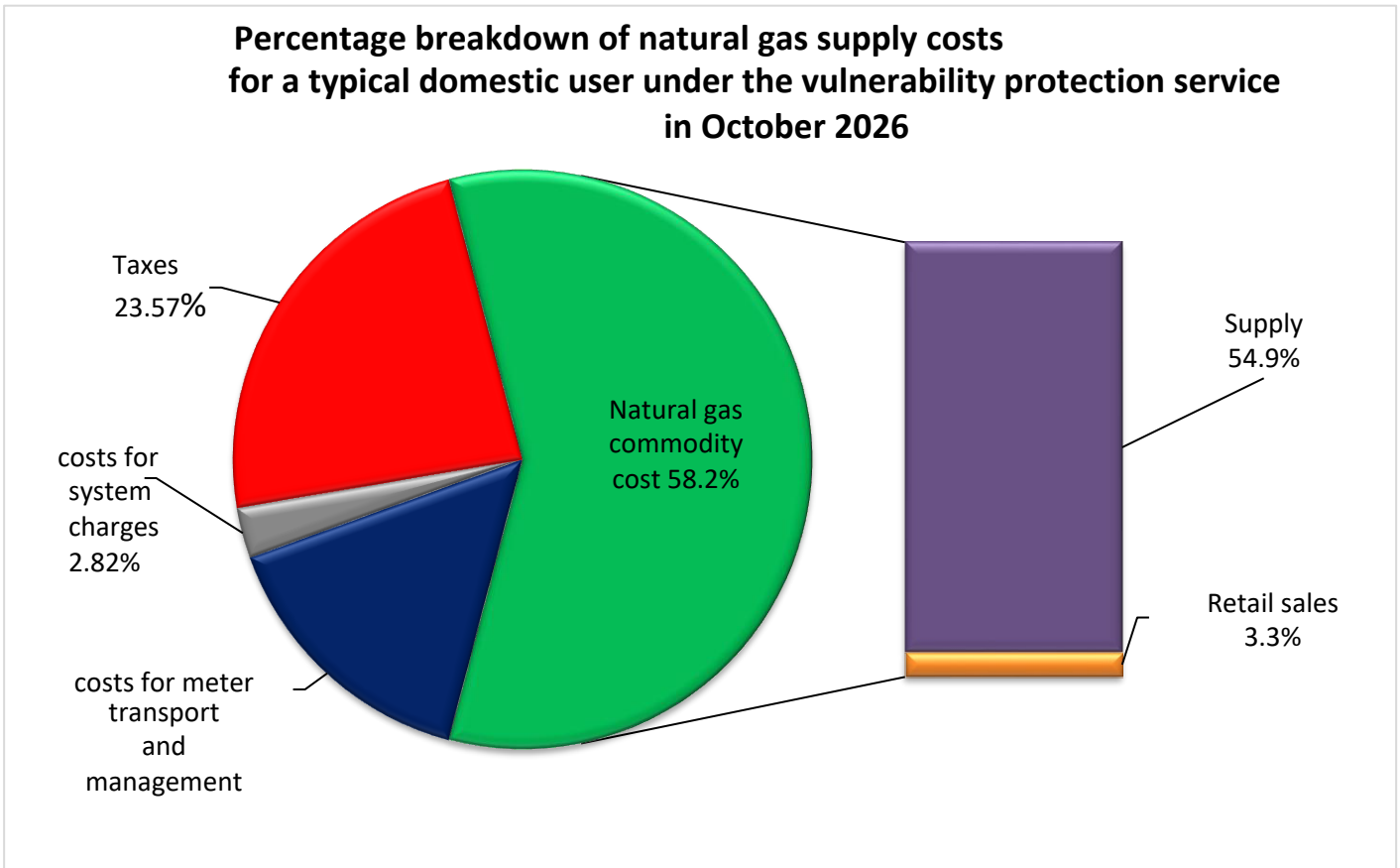
- 27.25 euro cents (15.41% of the total bill) for distribution, metering, transport, distribution equalisation, and quality services.

Expenditure on system charges:

- 4.98 euro cents (2.82% of the total bill) for general charges.

Taxes:

- 41.68 euro cents (23.57% of the total bill) for taxes.



[1] The typical household has an annual gas consumption of 1,100 cubic metres.