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Osprey, I grew up in western PA, but yes, Thorndale is in Eastern PA. My parents (western PA) have gas. My wife is from outside of Clearfield, and here family doesn't have gas either, they use coal. And we don't have gas here where I live. We have a heat pump and a propane stove which is capable of heating the whole house and used when the mercury falls below 30 or so, with a 1000 gallon propane tank sitting outside. The 50ish percent figure I gave was a nationwide average. It's about half of the homes have a gas line to them, half don't. Of course, it's nearly 100% in some areas, and nearly 0% in others.

My point was that it isn't a sudden revelation. For most of the providers, it was not the best business practice for many years. A few things have changed that just recently. Namely, a rise in the price of gasoline, a fall in the price of natural gas, more commonly available engines that can handle gas, and a more widespread distribution system. Remember, their fleets don't just operate in their home areas.