

#StopGuessing

Clean-E-Cooking: Revealing Opportunities

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A2EI Webinar

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#1 Introduction



A2EI is a non-profit, R&D platform addressing topics of access to energy access, clean cooking, and income-generation through technology innovation and research.

Our approach is data-focused, open-source and collaborative.

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#1 Why Clean-E-Cooking?

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Clean cooking has tremendous ecological and socio-economic impact potential

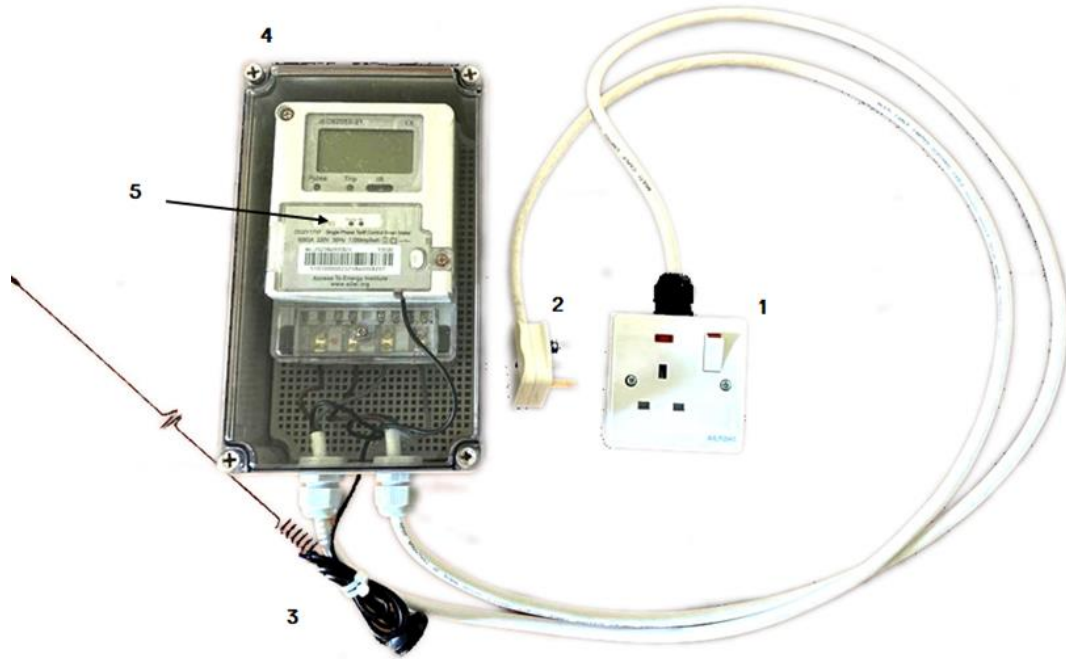
Electric cooking technologies can enable #CleanCooking to be a reality for millions of people. But how do we get there?

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#StartCleanCooking



#2 Smart Meter Data

#2 A2EI Smart Meters – What are they?



Legend	
1	Socket
2	Plug for wall
3	Antenna
4	Smart Meter
5	LED Indicators



Smart meters are installed in between monitored appliance and the grid.

#2 Smart Meter Data

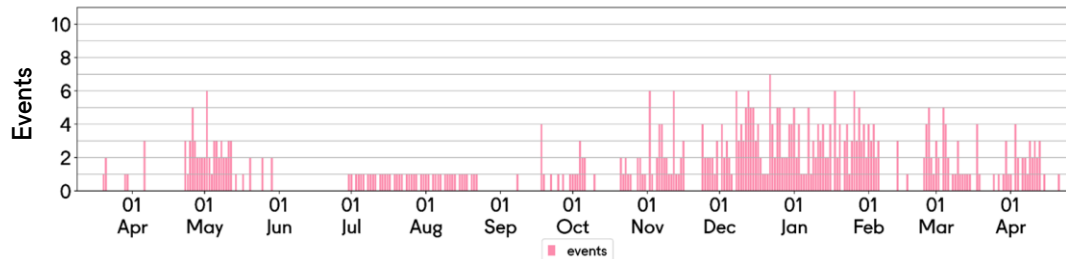
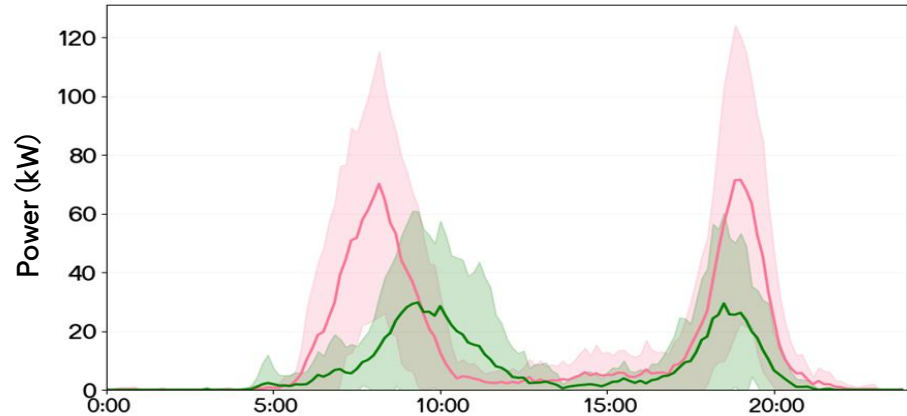
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Data is uploaded to database, processed, analyzed, and converted into .csv files for more analysis by partners and the public.

#2 Measuring Appliance Characteristics

Smart meters can be used for high-resolution monitoring of appliances to understand usage patterns and user behavior.

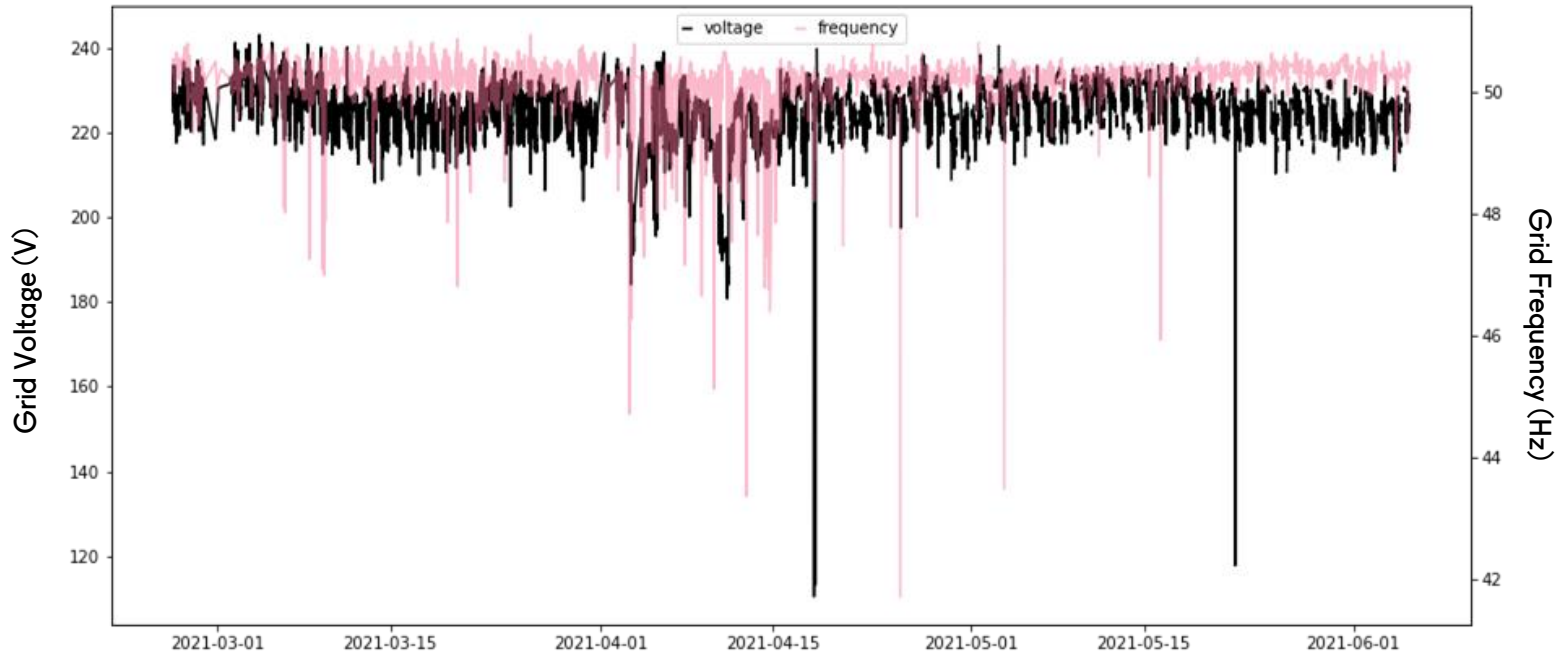
Ex: developing load profiles to understand how much power is consumed throughout the day



Ex: monitoring household utilization over long time periods to estimate demand

#2 Measuring Grid Characteristics

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The same smart meters can also be used for monitoring grid voltage and frequency to understand electricity availability/quality



Remote monitoring of any AC electric appliances (EPC, hotplate, etc.) and/or the grid

High fidelity data on energy, power, frequency, voltage, up to 1 minute resolution

Plug-and-play: easy to install

Internal back-up storage

Automated data analysis

2 years of field validation

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CLEAN COOKING DATA RELEASE REPORT

Findings of a Pilot Project with
100 Electric Pressure Cookers
(EPC) in Rural Tanzania

November 2021



Authors: Ansika Kweka, Nora Schürhoff, Mattias Nilson, Erick Mganda, Elliot Avika

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A2EI has released an open-source dataset collected by smart meters during a pilot conducted in Tanzania that includes:

347,529 data points

18,142 cooking events

The summary report and dataset are available on A2EI's website.

First in a series of data releases and publications that will be made open access this year.

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#3 Research Background

- 100 households at six different mini-grid villages in Tanzania
- Electric pressure cookers (EPCs) connected to smart meters
- Duration: March 2020 – April 2021
- Tariff:
 - March – September: >\$1/kWh
 - October – April: \$0.04/kWh
- Grid Restrictions: January – April 2021



Pilot Partners



*Biomass Cookstove
Monitoring*



*Cooking Diary Data
Collection*

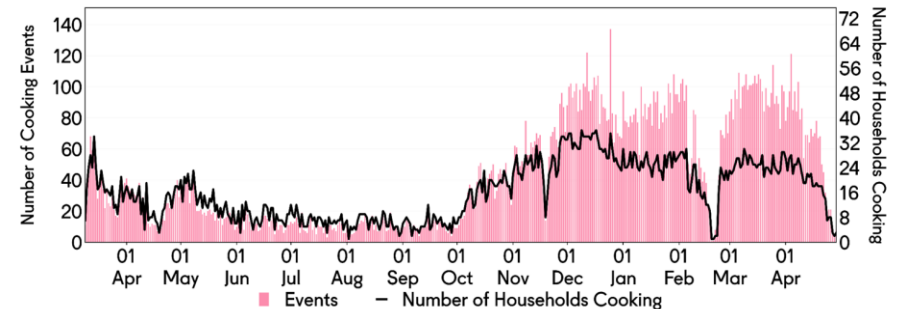
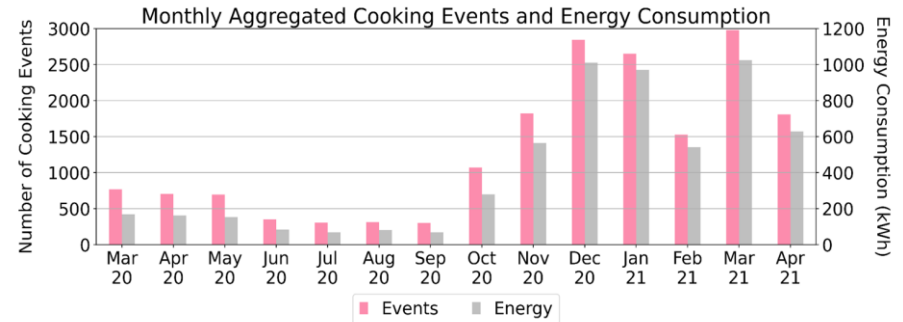
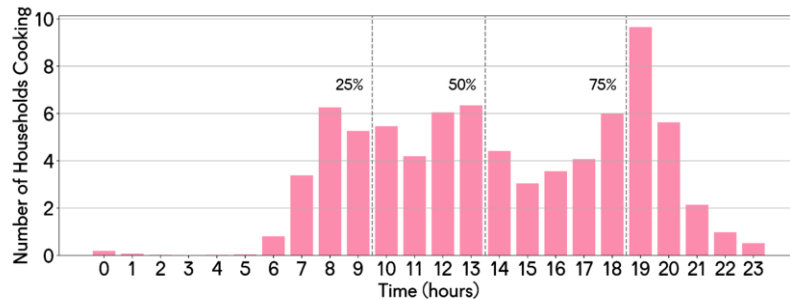


*Community Outreach and
HH Energy Consumption*

Main question: Are electric cooking appliances the future of clean cooking?

Additional questions:

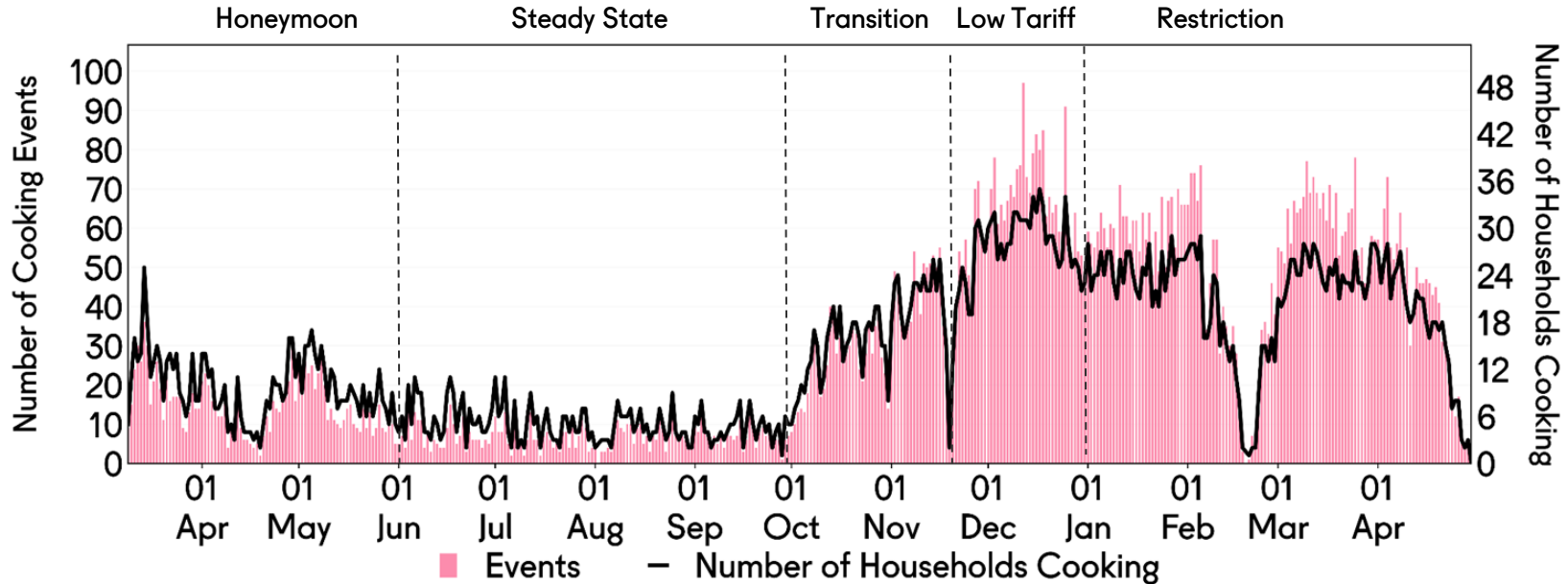
1. How did individuals cook with the EPC?
2. What did EPC cooking look like at the community level?
3. How did representative users cook?
4. How did cooking behavior change when the price dropped?
5. What was the effect of cooking on the grid?



#4 Discussion of Results

#4 Changes of Cooking Behaviour after Price Drop

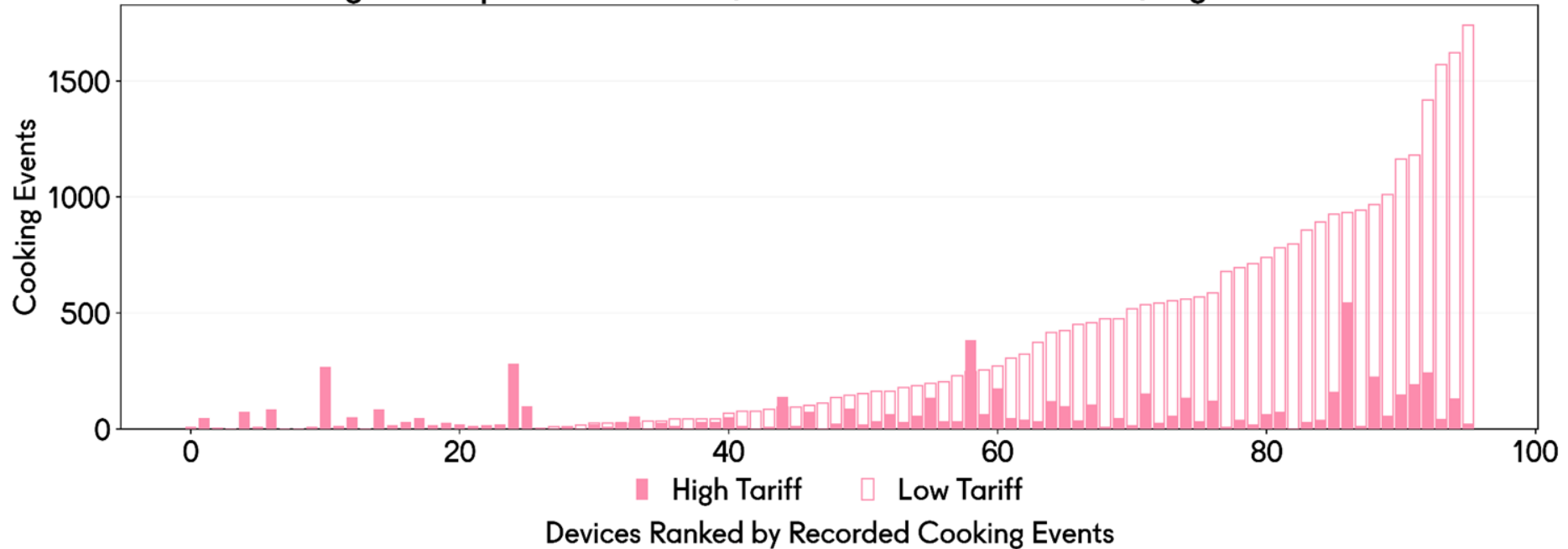
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- Oct 5 - Nov 18: Transition to low-cost cooking across sites
- Nov 19 - Dec 31: Cooking at \$0.04/kWh across all sites. Most interesting phase.
- Jan 01 - Apr 24: Power restrictions at several sites.

#4 How did Individuals Cook with the EPC?

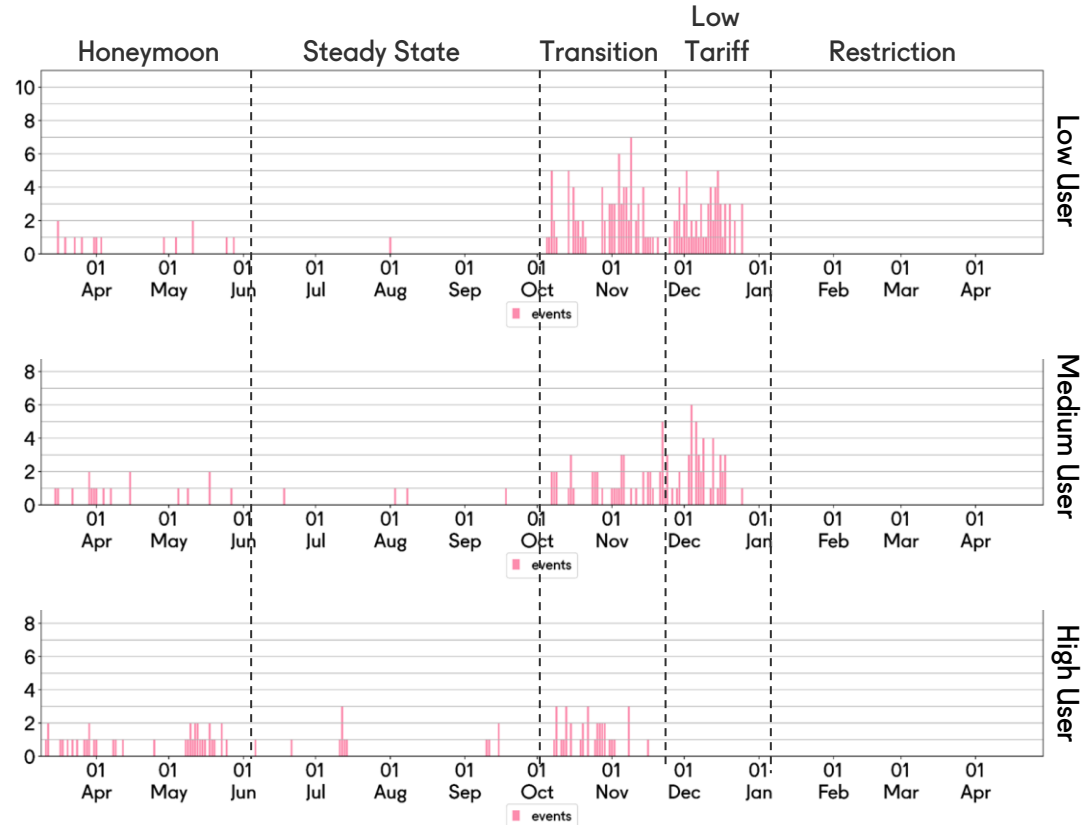
Cooking Events per Smart Meter, Normalized on Total Time, High vs Low Tariff



- Normalized total number of cooking events: 6072 with 93 active meters
- Normalized total number of cooking events: 30787 with 70 active meters

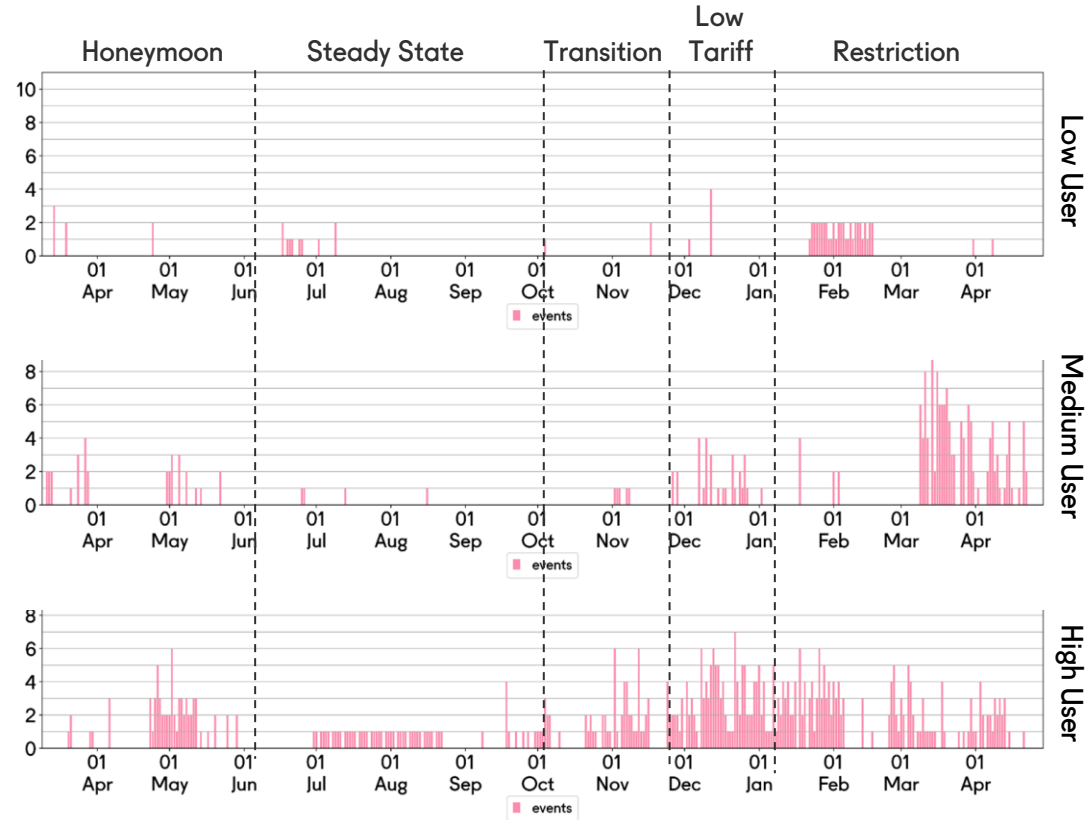
#4 Representative Users from Last Report

- At Low Tariff period Low User (I) became champion, leading to price sensitivity hypothesis
- Found that reduction in price does not affect certain users more than others
- All three users stopped cooking in Jan 2021 due to restrictions
- All three users found only on mainland sites

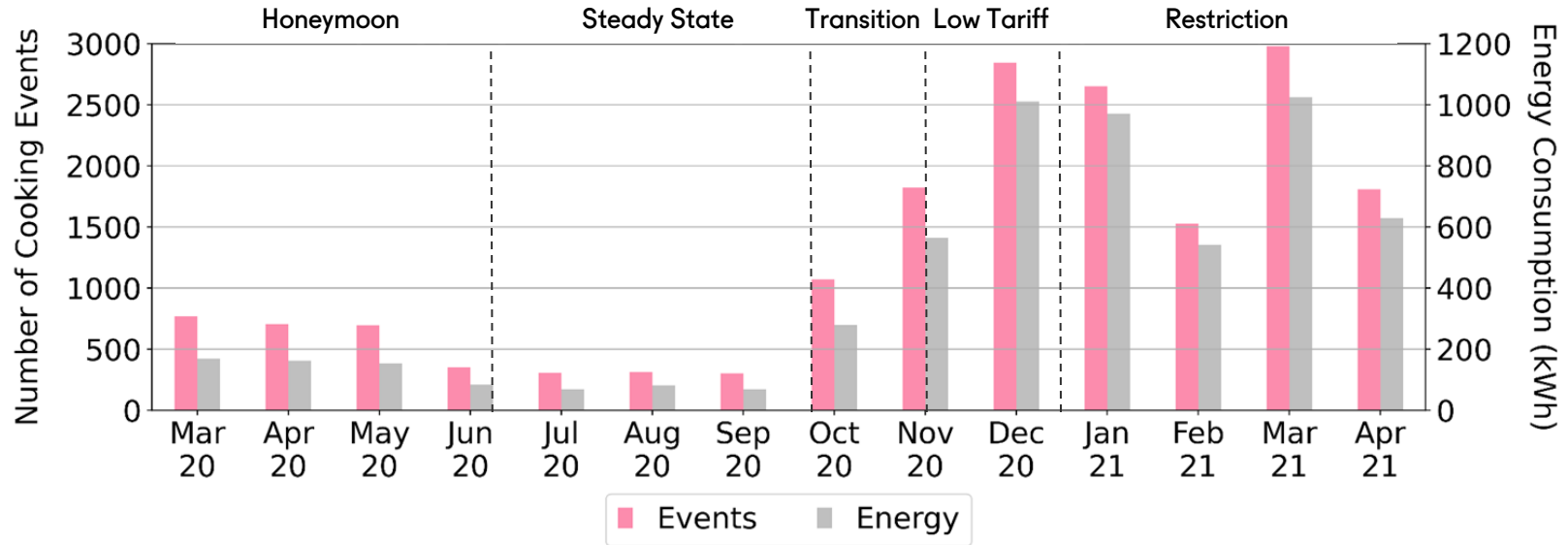


#4 Users with Less Restrictions

- Island households show different patterns than mainland
- High User (II) cooked more from November till February
- Low (II) and Medium (II) cooked more unevenly
- In Low Tariff High User: Average 2 cooking events, up to 6 per day
- Grid unavailability and load restrictions



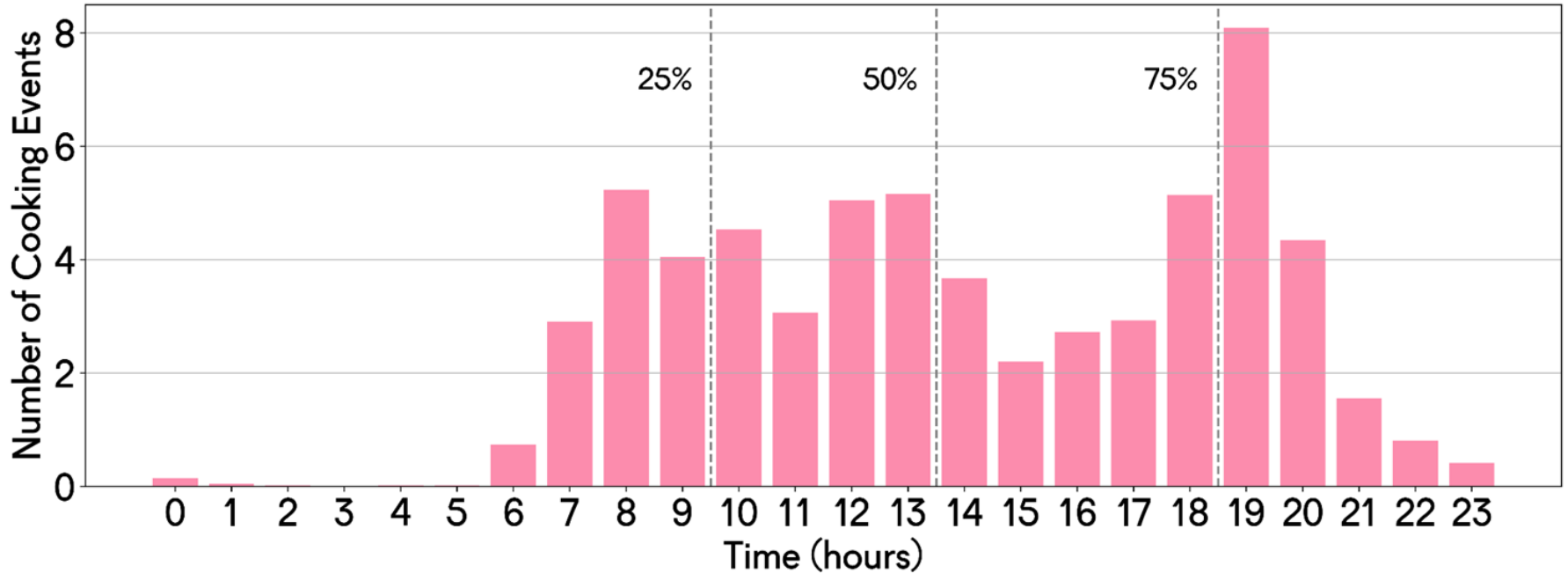
Monthly Aggregated Cooking Events and Energy Consumption



- Increase from Oct onwards, which might have continued without restrictions
- Traditional cookstove usage reduced by 164 minutes per household per day
- Total of CO₂ emission reduction of 21 kg per day

#4.2 Effects of Electric Cooking on the Grid

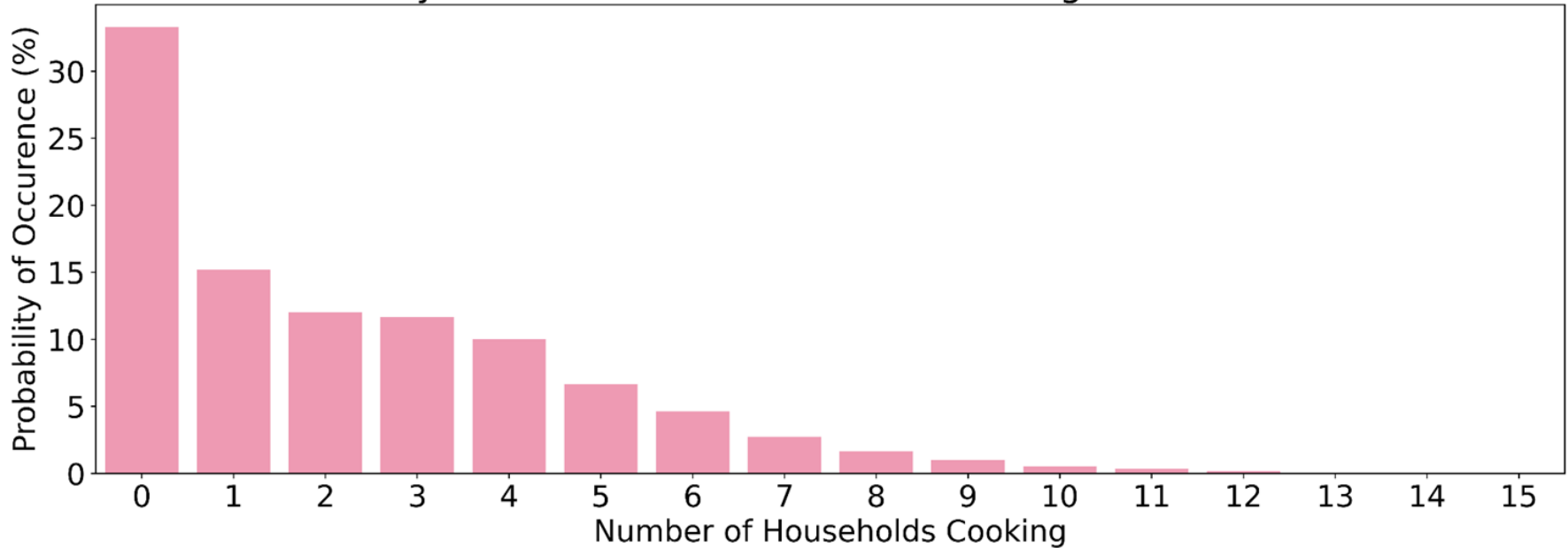
#4 What was the Effect of Cooking on the Grid?



- 17% of cooking during the night (before 8am or after 8pm)
- 50% between 10 am and 7pm
- Designing systems and understanding back-up options needed

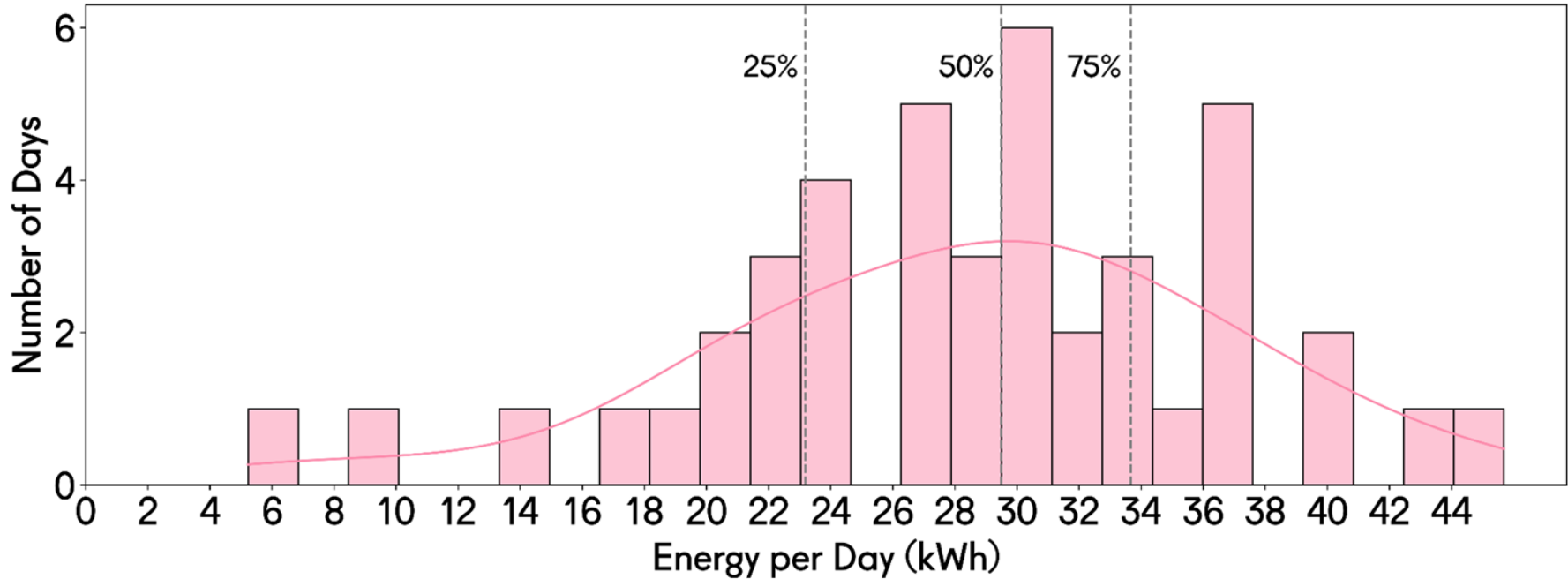
#4 What was the Effect of Cooking on the Grid?

Probability Distribution of Households Cooking at the Same Time



- Highest number of households cooking simultaneously was 15
- The given grid would be able to provide the needed power for electric cooking for all connected households in 98% of times

#2 What was the Effect of Cooking on the Grid?



- In 50% of days less than 29kWh was consumed in one day
- Even maximum of 44kWh could be provided by given mini-grid
- Useful for designing mini grid systems which must generate sufficient energy

- Households loved using the EPC: used 2.9 times per day when used and up to 12 times per day maximum
- Traditional cookstove usage reduced by 164 minutes (60%) per day amongst active users
- Lowered emissions: 21kg CO₂ per day reduced in Low Tariff Period; Overall lower indoor CO and PM rates despite fuel stacking
- Current mini-grids can support electric cooking for all connections in 98% of times



#5 Q&A

#6 Sneak Previews

A2EI's clean-e-cooking program is:

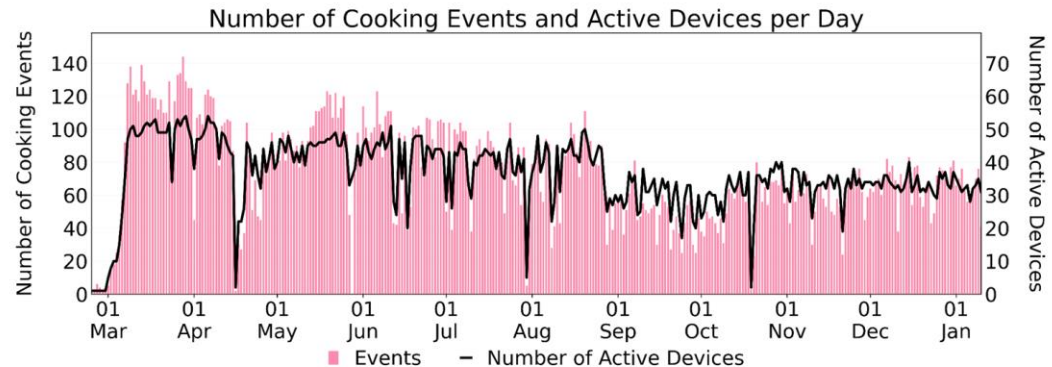
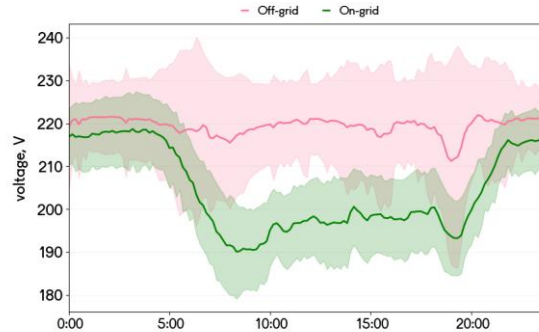
- Collecting electric cooking data in over 1300 households
- Releasing large, open-access datasets on electric cooking
- Publishing findings and sharing results with the public



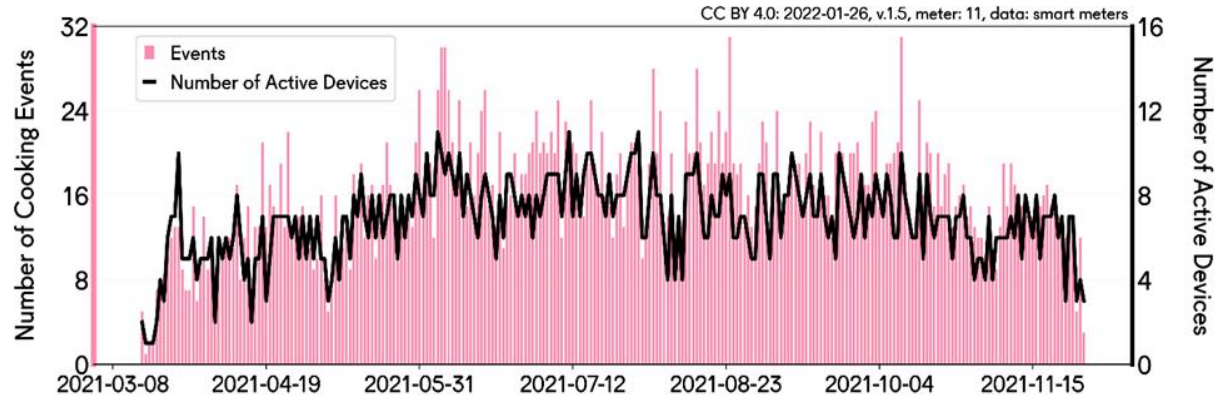
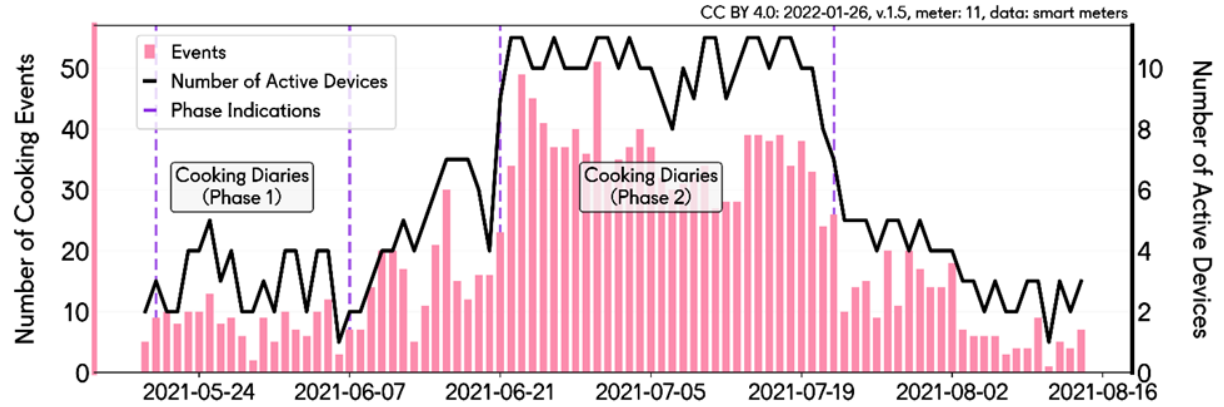
#6 Sneak Preview: PAC and PEEDA Projects in Nepal

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- 220 meters are gathering data in on and off-grid sites
- >6 month of data
- Impact on grid effects, cost implications, time savings, energy and fossil fuel usage will be investigated



- What happens when you introduce electric cooking appliances into households in Kampala and ask them to use them as much as possible?
- Cooking with EPC went from 0% -> 43% of total!
- 4 households switched completely to e-cooking; each consuming more than 2 kWh with the EPC per day



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