

| CHARACTERISTICS | COMMERCIAL BUTANE | COMMERCIAL PROPANE |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemical formula • Physical state at suitable environmental conditions (760 mm.Hg., atm. pressure at 15°C amb. temperature). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C₄H₁₀ • Gaseous | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C₃H₈ • Gaseous |
| Average density: at Liquid state at 15°C at gaseous state at 15°C and 1013 mbar | 0.58 kg/dm ³ 2.44 kg/m ³ | 0.51 kg/dm ³ 1.87 kg/m ³ |
| Density ratio to air | 2.07 | 1.54 |
| Boiling temperature at 1013 mbar | 0°C | -44°C |
| Freezing point (pure product) | -138.5°C | -187.7°C |
| Critical point: Temperature Pressure | 150.8°C 3.88 MPa - 38.8 bar | 97.5°C 4.56 MPa - 45.6 bar |
| Relative vapour pressure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • at + 5°C • at + 15°C | 0.08 MPa (0.8 bar) 0.17 MPa (1.7 bar) | 0.52 MPa (5.2 bar) 0.75 MPa (7.5 bar) |
| Latent heat of vaporization at + 15°C per kg | 362 kJ or 100.5 Wh (86.5 Cal) | 356 kJ or 98.8 Wh (85 Cal) |
| Higher calorific value: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • each kg • per m³ at 15°C and 1013 mbar | 13.7 kWh (11.800 Cal) 33.5 kWh (28.800 Cal) | 13.8 kWh (11.900 Cal) 24.9 kWh (22.300 Cal) |
| Lower calorific value: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • each kg • per m³ at 15°C and 1013 mbar | 12.66 kWh (10.900 Cal) 30.45 kWh (26.200 Cal) | 12.78 kWh (11.000 Cal) 23.70 kWh (20.400 Cal) |
| Calorific energy | 29.5 m ³ /m ³ | 23 m ³ /m ³ |
| Smoke energy | 31.8 m ³ /m ³ | 24.8 m ³ /m ³ |
| Flammability limit in air: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • lower • upper | 1.8% 8.8% | 2.4% 9.3% |
| Theoretical composition of the products of a neutral combustion (condensed water) | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CO₂ • N₂ | 14% 86% | 13.7% 86.3% |
| Self-ignition temperature in the air (mixture corresponding to a complete combustion). | 490°C | 515°C |
| Flame propagation speed in cm/second | 33 | 32 |

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| Maximum temperature, so called flame in air | 1915°C | 1920°C |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litres of gas at 1013 mbar (760 mmHg) and 15°C • from 1 L of Liquid are obtained about • from 1 kg of liquid are obtained about | 235 l 435 l | 270 l 535 l |