



Rhode Island Energy[®]
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Understanding Your Bill: Where Your Dollar Goes

Utility bills can be complicated to understand. We get it. That's why we've broken down each dollar of your bill into four simple sections. When you pay your residential electric bill each month, we want you to know what you're getting for your money.

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN MY ELECTRIC BILL?

Your energy dollar explained:



LOCAL DELIVERY: 23¢

About 23 cents of each dollar covers the infrastructure costs of delivering electricity to you safely and reliably, including costs to maintain poles and wires, modernize the grid, and provide functions like customer service and billing. This is the only part of the bill directly under RIE's control. This part of the bill has increased by only 5%, far less than the rate of inflation, since 2020.

SUPPLY: 41¢

About 41 cents of each dollar covers the cost to purchase electricity for those on our Last Resort Service default supply. Because we are not allowed under state law to own generation resources, these costs are beyond our control. RIE does not markup supply costs – they are passed directly to you, dollar for dollar.

TRANSMISSION: 15¢

About 15 cents of each dollar covers the cost of moving electricity across New England's regional power grid to our local RIE distribution system. These costs are set by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and are only partially within RIE's control.

STATE MANDATES & TAXES: 21¢

About 21 cents of each dollar goes directly to cover state-mandated costs to support clean energy, efficiency and low-income assistance goals, plus the state's Gross Earnings Tax which we are required to collect. These costs are not within Rhode Island Energy's (RIE) control.

*Customer bills vary by usage. Figures here based on 500kWh/month usage with rates as of December 2025 for a residential customer.