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RATE & FEE INCREASES



How do experts calculate the rate/fee statistic that show an APS increase estimated now at 4% per year? According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration the average per kWh was: 8.86 cents in 2005, 11.5 cents in 2010, 13.15 cents in 2020 and currently 15.27+ cents. Nearly doubling!

Many customers we analyze of are paying higher: 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20+ cents per kWh! APS energy is expensive for many.

Listed below are the Rate Changes mandated by the Arizona Corporate Commission (ACC), however the main statistical method to calculate the 'real' cost of energy is to take the total billed cost of APS bills over time which consists of Rate Changes applied to the base rate plus 16 fees, taxes and surcharges (government mandated) that have increased total billed cost an average of 0.8%/year, automatically applied by the ACC with no public input.

These 16+ fees, taxes and surcharges drive bill costs higher as they are added to the base rate: delivery service charges, customer account charges, Federal and State mandated environmental surcharges, power supply adjustments, metering and meter reading, billing charges, state and local taxes, Federal transmission and ancillary services cost adjustments, LFCR adjuster (loss recovery for solar), and most recently court resolution surcharges.

Therefore the combined true rate of increase is an average of 4%+ in 8+ years.

Rate Changes / Increases (2017–2026)

- **2017** A significant rate change occurred in 2017, resulting in an average 4.5% increase for residential customers. This adjustment was part of a broader effort to modernize the rate structure and address changes in energy consumption patterns. While the rate increase aimed to support infrastructure investments and operational costs, it also sparked considerable public debate and scrutiny
- **2019** APS filed a rate case seeking \$69 million increase in annual retail base rates resulting in 5.4% increase.
- **2022** APS filed a rate case requesting a net \$460 million annual revenue increase, which resulted in a 13.62% increase in average residential bills.
- **2024** The Arizona Corporation Commission approved an 8% rate increase for APS customers, effective March 8, 2024.
- **2025** Power Supply Adjustment (PSA)
Effective March 1, 2025, the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) approved a Power Supply Adjustment increase.
Exact Impact on individual homeowners is not uniform; adjustment is based on kilowatt usage per household. It ranges between 2-3% based on kWh usage.
- **2026** 13.99% increase now before the Arizona Corporation Commission for July 2026.
- **2027.... No one knows.**

LATEST NEWS ABOUT RATES

Current Status of APS Rate Case

Arizona Public Service (APS) has initiated the process for a new rate case with the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC), aiming for rate adjustments of 13.99% to take effect 2nd quarter of 2026.

□ Key Elements of the Proposed Rate Case

* Investment Recovery: APS seeks to recover costs associated with infrastructure investments made in 2024 and 2025, emphasizing enhancements for grid reliability and resilience.

* Formula Rate Proposal: The company intends to propose a formula rate mechanism, allowing for more frequent, potentially annual, rate adjustments based on prior year expenses and investments.

* Customer Impact: Specific details regarding the proposed rate changes and their impact on customer bills will be disclosed upon the formal filing of the rate case.

□□ Next Steps in the Rate Case Process

1. Formal Application Submission: APS is expected to file its detailed rate case application in June 2025.
2. Review and Testimony: ACC staff and other stakeholders will review the application and provide testimony.
3. Public Participation: The public will have opportunities to submit comments and participate in hearings.
4. Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Proceedings: An ALJ will conduct hearings and issue a recommended opinion and order.
5. Commission Decision: The ACC commissioners will vote on the final decision regarding the rate adjustments.



By [Ben Bradley](#) Published: Jun. 17, 2025

PHOENIX (AZFamily) — Arizona Public Service (APS) has applied for a double-digit rate increase for customers across the state, a move opposed by the attorney general.

APS [filed the application](#) with the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) last Friday, asking for a net increase of 13.99%. That would add about \$20 to the monthly bill for typical customers using 1,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity.

The power company, a [Pinnacle West Capital Corp.](#) subsidiary, says the new rates would provide system upgrades, including pole repair/replacement and improvements to substation and grid technology. Other initiatives include programs to protect the APS grid from extreme weather, quicker restoration times and power plant upgrades.

The fourth price hike since 2017. Mayes cited a 4.5% bump in 2017, an 8% increase in 2023 and [another 8%](#) that went into effect last year.

Meanwhile, APS says it's working to keep costs down while also ensuring continued reliability and growth.

"We understand rising costs are impacting so many aspects of customers' lives today. We also understand it is never a good time to see bills increase. That's why we're focused on doing our part to keep our costs down as much as we can, while giving customers tools, programs and choices to help them manage their bills.

"Reliability isn't optional —it's essential, especially in Arizona. We must ensure the power is there when our customers need it most, and we thank them for trusting us with their energy needs. That is what this rate case and proposed adjustment are about."

Ted Geisler, APS president and CEO

HOME WITHOUT SOLAR

On my personal bill the total cost of electricity was **\$87.33**

However my total bill was **\$198.19**

\$110.86 was charged for 16 surcharges, fees, and taxes - 66% of my bill !

Very typically from 40-65% of your bill are 'junk' charges.

Total it up for a year on your bills (average of 50%) and you are overcharged:

\$75/month bill = \$250-\$400 extra charges

\$125/month bill = \$500-\$600 extra charges

\$175/month bill = \$800-\$900 extra charges

\$250/month bill = \$1000+ extra charges

***Solar offsets: reduces and in most cases eliminates these 16+ 'junk' fees, taxes, and surcharges for electricity**

*Solar customers are assessed a small grid connection fee \$4-8 per month.

Your electricity bill
June 23, 2023

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Your account number
765514869

Service plan: Fixed Energy Charge Plan - Tier 1

Meter number: R30546
Meter reading cycle: 16

Charges for electricity services

Cost of electricity you used

*Customer account charge	\$2.14
*Delivery service charge	\$37.83
*Environmental benefits surcharge	\$5.03
*Federal environmental improvement surcharge	\$0.17
*System benefits charge	\$3.99
Power supply adjustment	\$24.15
Metering	\$3.19
Meter reading	\$2.11
Billing	\$2.36
Generation of electricity*	\$87.33
Federal transmission and ancillary services	\$13.89
Federal transmission cost adjustment	\$0.47
*LFCR adjustor	\$3.33
Cost of electricity you used	\$185.99

Taxes and fees

*Regulatory assessment	\$0.45
*State sales tax	\$10.44
*County sales tax	\$1.31
*City sales tax	\$0.00
Franchise fee	\$0.00
Cost of electricity with taxes and fees	\$198.19

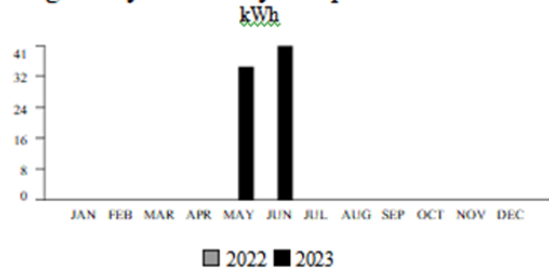
Total charges for electricity services \$198.19

Tier 1, Your Current Monthly Average is 966 kWh
Your tier is for an average monthly energy usage of 600 kWh or less. By November, if your annual average is more than 600 kWh, you will be placed on a higher-priced tier in December.

Amount of electricity you used

Meter reading on Jun 23	43218
Meter reading on May 23	41952
Total electricity you used, in kWh	1266

Average daily electricity use per month



Comparing your monthly use

	This month	Last month	This month last year
Billing days	31	32	N/A
Average outdoor temperature	85°	80°	N/A
Your total use in kWh	1266	1128	N/A
Your average daily cost	\$6.39	\$5.59	N/A

APS BILL WITH SOLAR

My Two APS bills after going solar

Notice that daytime energy is currently provided by the solar array on the roof, but nighttime energy used was 542kWh and was billed with cost, fees and surcharges. However, the excess solar production of \$127.54 for April was credited against those charges, resulting in a bill of -\$13.84! May was better days are longer with more excess energy sold back of \$175.35 with a bill -\$75.57.



Service Address: 10910 WELK DR

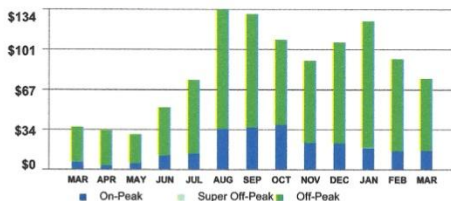
Service Number: 7659560322

Service Plan: Time-of-Use 4pm-7pm Weekdays,RCP



Compare Your Monthly Energy Cost

Your energy cost this month is **\$76.59** excluding your renewable export credit, taxes, adjusters and other charges. To view more detailed historical usage data, login to aps.com



Your March Statement Details

To learn more about your bill charges visit aps.com/aboutmybill

Energy **\$76.59**

The charge for APS to generate energy and deliver it to you	
System Benefits Charge (542.00 kWh X \$0.00361/kWh)	\$1.96
Federal Transmission And Ancillary Services (542.00 kWh x \$0.01097/kWh)	\$5.95
On-peak delivery service charge (50.00 kWh x \$0.03469/kWh)	\$1.73
Off-peak delivery service charge (487.00 kWh x \$0.03469/kWh)	\$16.89
Super Off-peak delivery service charge (5.00 kWh x \$0.01232/kWh)	\$0.06
On-Peak Generation of Electricity (50.00 kWh x \$0.27616/kWh)	\$13.81
Off-Peak Generation of Electricity Winter (487.00 kWh x \$0.07424/kWh)	\$36.15
Super Off-Peak Generation of Electricity Winter (5.00 kWh x \$0.00805/kWh)	\$0.04

Basic Service and Other Charges **\$16.93**

Charges and credits for service	
Basic Service Charge	\$12.82
Grid Access Charge	\$4.11

Adjustors **\$13.84**

Charges for programs and services, like fuel, renewable energy and energy efficiency, that can adjust annually	
Environmental Benefits Surcharge (17 kW at \$0.242 per kW)	\$3.75
Power Supply Adjustment	\$7.58
Federal Transmission Cost Adjustment	\$0.57
LFCR Adjustor	\$1.14
Court Resolution Surcharge	\$0.80

Taxes and Fees **\$7.05**

City and state mandated charges	
Regulatory Assessment	\$0.27
Franchise Fee	\$0.00
State Sales Tax	\$6.03
County Sales Tax	\$0.75
City Sales Tax	\$0.00

Monthly Credits and Other Charges **-\$127.54**

Other credits and charges	
Renewable Energy Sold To APS This Month (1,674.00 kWh X -\$0.07619/kWh)	-\$127.54

Total Energy Cost **-\$13.13**

How Your Energy Usage is Calculated

Meter Number: 1649289

Meter Reads	Feb 21	Mar 21	Total
Total Read	13277	13819	542 kWh
On-Peak	1398	1448	50 kWh
Super Off-Peak	272	277	5 kWh
Off-Peak	—	—	487 kWh

On-Peak Energy **\$16.27**

(Rates are higher during on-peak hours, 4pm-7pm weekdays, but lower all other off-peak hours.)

50 kWh x \$0.32539/kWh (Generation, Delivery & Transmission)

Super Off-Peak Energy **\$0.17**

(Super off-peak hours provide the lowest off-peak energy rates during Winter months (Nov-Apr bills), 10am-3pm weekdays.)

5 kWh x \$0.03459/kWh (Generation, Delivery & Transmission)

Off-Peak Energy **\$60.15**

(Rates are lower for all other off-peak hours during weekdays and all day on the weekends plus designated holidays.)

487 kWh x \$0.12351/kWh (Generation, Delivery & Transmission)

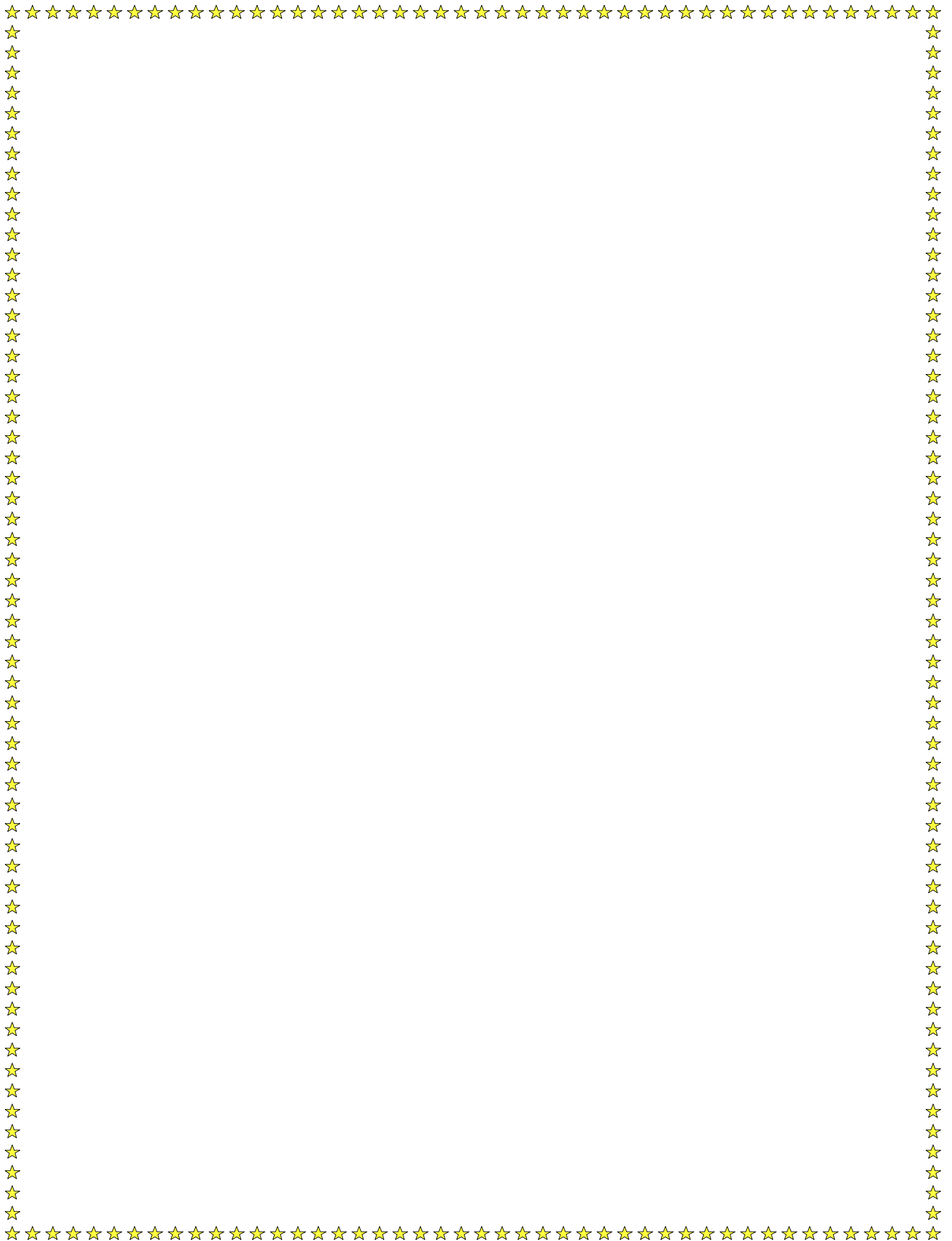
Look Into Your March Energy Cost



Comparison

	Last Month	This Month Last Year	This Month
Monthly Usage (kWh)	674	607	542
Percentage of On-Peak	17.17%	7.26%	21.24%
Percentage of Super Off-Peak	0.11%	0.69%	0.23%
Percentage of Off-Peak	82.72%	33.41%	78.53%
Average Temperature	58°F	63°F	63°F
Days in Billing Period	28	28	28
Energy Cost	\$92.87	\$87.76	\$76.59
Total Cost (Export Credit Included)	\$42.53	\$39.00	-\$13.13
Total Cost Per kWh	\$0.06	\$0.06	-\$0.02
Average Daily Cost	\$1.52	\$1.39	-\$0.47

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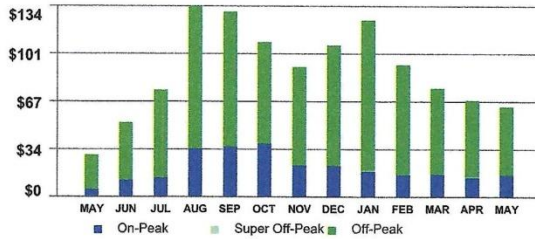
Service Number: 7659560322

Service Plan: Time-of-Use 4pm-7pm Weekdays, RCP



Compare Your Monthly Energy Cost

Your energy cost this month is **\$64.09** excluding your renewable export credit, taxes, adjusters and other charges. To view more detailed historical usage data, login to aps.com



Your May Statement Details

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Energy	\$64.09
<i>The charge for APS to generate energy and deliver it to you</i>	
System Benefits Charge (437.00 kWh X \$0.00361/kWh)	\$1.58
Federal Transmission And Ancillary Services (437.00 kWh x \$0.01097/kWh)	\$4.79
On-peak delivery service charge (46.00 kWh x \$0.03469/kWh)	\$1.60
Off-peak delivery service charge (391.00 kWh x \$0.03469/kWh)	\$13.56
On-Peak Generation of Electricity (46.00 kWh x \$0.29469/kWh)	\$13.56
Off-Peak Generation of Electricity Summer (391.00 kWh x \$0.07418/kWh)	\$29.00
Basic Service and Other Charges	\$17.85
<i>Charges and credits for service</i>	
Basic Service Charge	\$13.74
Grid Access Charge	\$4.11
Adjustors	\$11.64
<i>Charges for programs and services, like fuel, renewable energy and energy efficiency, that can adjust annually</i>	
Environmental Benefits Surcharge (17 kW at \$0.242 per kW)	\$3.50
Power Supply Adjustment	\$6.11
Federal Transmission Cost Adjustment	\$0.46
LFCR Adjustor	\$0.92
Court Resolution Surcharge	\$0.65
Taxes and Fees	\$6.14
<i>City and state mandated charges</i>	
Regulatory Assessment	\$0.23
Franchise Fee	\$0.00
State Sales Tax	\$5.25
County Sales Tax	\$0.66
City Sales Tax	\$0.00
Monthly Credits and Other Charges	-\$175.31
<i>Other credits and charges</i>	
Renewable Energy Sold To APS This Month (2,301.00 kWh X \$-0.07619/kWh)	-\$175.31
Total Energy Cost	-\$75.59

Every day, safe and informed

We prepare for summer storm season, but sometimes rain, wind and lightning can knock out power. We care about your safety and want to keep you informed with alerts if there's an outage in your area. You can help us by making sure your contact information is current. Learn more about managing your alert preferences at aps.com/alerts and visit the APS Outage Center at aps.com/outagecenter.

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you on your solar journey.

How Your Energy Usage is Calculated

Meter Number: 1649289

Meter Reads	Apr 22	May 22	Total
Total Read	14303	14740	437 kWh
On-Peak	1492	1538	46 kWh
Off-Peak	—	—	391 kWh

On-Peak Energy

\$15.83

(Rates are higher during on-peak hours, 4pm-7pm weekdays, but lower all other off-peak hours.)

46 kWh x \$0.34414/kWh (Generation, Delivery & Transmission)

Off-Peak Energy

\$48.26

(Rates are lower for all other off-peak hours during weekdays and all day on the weekends plus designated holidays.)

391 kWh x \$0.12343/kWh (Generation, Delivery & Transmission)

Look Into Your May Energy Cost



Comparison

	Last Month	This Month Last Year	This Month
Monthly Usage (kWh)	484	451	437
Percentage of On-Peak	20.91%	6.84%	24.70%
Percentage of Off-Peak	78.99%	32.01%	75.30%
Average Temperature	72°F	80°F	78°F
Days in Billing Period	32	29	30
Energy Cost	\$68.49	\$76.88	\$64.09
Total Cost (Export Credit Included)	-\$75.58	-\$76.12	-\$75.59
Total Cost Per kWh	-\$0.16	-\$0.17	-\$0.17
Average Daily Cost	-\$2.36	-\$2.62	-\$2.52