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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: 26¢

About 26 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: 33¢

About 33 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: 18¢

About 18 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: 23¢

About 23 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 April 2026 for a residential customer.

# BILL EXPLANATION

**FRONT**

Contact details and the number to call for an electric emergency.

Pay before this date to avoid late charges.

Total amount you owe.

Covers the cost of electricity used. Prices change every April and October with no markup.

This is the default supply if you choose not to shop for a supplier.

Shop for an electricity supplier.

Compares last year's usage to this year's.

Covers electricity delivery and mandated public policy charges.

Compares this month's energy use, cost and average temperature to last year.

**RIE Customer Service: 1-855-743-1101**  
Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM - 7:00 PM  
Electric Emergencies: 1-855-743-1101 (24 x 7)  
Website: [RIEnergy.com](http://RIEnergy.com)

Meter 00000000 Account 00000-00000

**Due Date** 5/29/24 **Amount Due** \$238.71

**Supply** \$94.33 Usage from Apr 1 - May 1 **Delivery** \$135.18

**Usage Charges** \$229.51

**Usage Summary**

Month	Previous 12 Months	Current 12 Months	Current Month
Jun	1000	1000	1000
Jul	1000	1000	1000
Aug	1000	1000	1000
Sep	1000	1000	1000
Oct	1000	1000	1000
Nov	1000	1000	1000
Dec	1000	1000	1000
Jan	1000	1000	1000
Feb	1000	1000	1000
Mar	1000	1000	1000
Apr	1000	1000	1000
May	1000	1000	1000

Category	2023	2024
Electricity Usage (kWh)	918	909
Avg. Temp	51°	48°
Avg. Monthly Cost	\$295.55	\$322.43

**BACK**

A meter reading calculates energy use in kilowatt hours (kWh) for each billing cycle.

The supply charge is your energy usage (kWh) multiplied by the supplier's current rate.

Monthly messages that can inform and assist.

Clear summary of last month's charges, payments, remaining balance and current bill amount.

The amount you owe for the month.

See explanation below.

Explanation of terms used on your bill.

**kWh Delivered (to Customer)**

Meter Number	Reading Dates	Meter Reading	Kilowatt-Hours
42355669	May 1	06187	909
	Apr 1	05278	
Days Billed: 30		Avg. kWh/Day: 30	Total Delivered: 909

**Billing Summary**

Previous Balance	\$815.66
Payment Received - Thank You!	-\$816.03
Balance as of May 3, 2024	\$0.00
Total Supply Charges	\$94.33
Total Delivery Charges	\$135.18
Other Charges/Adjustments	
Gross Earnings Tax	\$9.57
Excess Credit	-\$0.37
Total Other Charges/Adjustments	\$9.20
<b>Amount Due By 5/29/24</b>	<b>\$238.71</b>
Account Balance	\$238.71

**Delivery Details**

Rate:	Charge	Amount	
A-16 Residential-Std Ofr	Customer Charge	6.00	
	RE Growth Program Chg	4.02	
	LIHEAP Enhancement Chg	0.79	
	Distribution Energy Chg	909 kWh at 0.06118	55.61
	Renewable Energy Dist Chg	909 kWh at 0.02233	20.30
	Energy Efficiency Programs	909 kWh at 0.01169	10.63
	Transmission Charge	909 kWh at 0.04161	37.83
	<b>Total Delivery Charges</b>	<b>\$135.18</b>	

## Rhode Island Energy Delivery Charges Explanation

- **Customer Charge** – Fixed cost for metering, reading, and billing, unaffected by usage.
- **Distribution Energy Charge** – Cost of delivering electricity to your home or business.
- **Transmission Charge** – Cost of maintaining high-voltage lines, regulated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

## Public Policy Charges

State and federally mandated fees supporting energy assistance, efficiency and renewable programs:

- **RE Growth Program Charge** – Helps customers who produce their own renewable energy, like solar power, by letting them sell extra electricity back to the grid at a set price.
- **LIHEAP Enhancement Charge** – Funds assistance for low-income households' energy and heating needs.
- **Renewable Energy Distribution Charge** – Covers the cost of net metering, which gives credits to solar and wind energy. It also helps pay for long-term renewable energy contracts.
- **Energy Efficiency Programs** – Funds programs that help customers reduce energy use and costs.