

Electricity Rates are Changing Effective July 1, 2018

Rates for Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro's (Hydro) Island Interconnected, L'Anse au Loup and Isolated Rural customers are increasing effective July 1, 2018.

Why are rates increasing?

Hydro adjusts rates every year on July 1 based on the price of oil used to generate electricity at the Holyrood Thermal Generating Station, the amount of electricity used by customers, and the annual amount of water we use for hydroelectric generation. This is a routine, annual adjustment called the Rate Stabilization Plan (RSP) and was created to ensure that customer rates reflect the actual cost of electricity generation from year to year.

This July, rates will be implemented for the annual RSP adjustment as well as interim rates arising from Hydro's General Rate Application (GRA). The Public Utilities Board (Board) approved interim rates to ensure that costs of operating the system can be recovered until the GRA process is complete and final rates are approved by the Board.

For rate changes by customer area, please see below.

What are the rate changes?

System/Area	Description	Customer Type	Average Rate Increase %	Adjusted for Northern Strategic Plan*
Island Interconnected System	Customers in rural areas on the island served by Hydro (e.g. St. Anthony, Springdale) and customers from L'Anse au Clair to Red Bay, Labrador (L'Anse au Loup systems)	Residential	6.6%	
		General Service: 0 to 100 kW (kilowatts)	6.8%	
		General Service: 110 to 1000 kVA (kilovolt amperes)	7.6%	
		General Service: 1000 kVA and Over	8.3%	
Isolated Island Systems (Excluding Government Departments)	Customers in isolated rural communities served by Hydro's diesel generation (e.g., Ramea, St. Brendan's, etc.)	Residential	6.1%	
		General Service: 0 to 10 kW	6.8%	
		General Service: Over 10 kW:	6.8%	
Isolated Labrador Systems (Excluding Government Departments)	Customers in isolated rural communities served by Hydro's diesel generation (e.g., Cartwright, Hopedale, etc.)	Residential	6.1%	3.1%
		General Service: 0 to 10 kW	6.8%	
		General Service: Over 10 kW:	6.8%	
L'Anse au Loup Systems	Customers in rural areas on the island served by Hydro (e.g. St. Anthony, Springdale) and customers from L'Anse au Clair to Red Bay, Labrador (L'Anse au Loup systems)	Residential	6.6%	4.9%
		General Service: 0 to 100 kW (kilowatts)	6.8%	
		General Service: 110 to 1000 kVA (kilovolt amperes)	7.6%	
		General Service: 1000 kVA and Over	8.3%	
Labrador Interconnected	Customers serviced by Hydro's interconnected system in Labrador (e.g. Wabush, North West River, Happy Valley – Goose Bay)	All Customers	0.0%	0.0%

*Basic customer and life-line block rates are based on Labrador Interconnected rates via the Northern Strategic Plan. Percentage noted is actual increase when accounting for discount from Northern Strategic Plan.