



Gas Distribution Pricing Schedule

1 October 2023



Why have prices changed?

Powerco is regulated under the Commerce Commission Gas Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Determination 2022 ("the DPP"). This permits Powerco's revenue to reflect:

- movements in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) each year
- Annual Rate of Change during the DPP period
- Commerce Commission levies and local body rates applying to network assets, as these costs are outside Powerco's control.

The final prices contained in the pricing schedule reflect an average annual increase in charges, in nominal terms of 14.3%. This increase reflects the Commerce Commission Maximum Allowable Revenue for the 2023/2024 period permitted by the DPP. More information about the DPP can be found here:

<https://comcom.govt.nz/regulated-industries/gas-pipelines/gas-pipelines-price-quality-paths>

The prices applied to the tariff groups on our distribution network are set in accordance with our published pricing methodology.

For the pricing year commencing 1 October 2023, we adjusted the Fixed and not the Variable charge for the Standard Residential customers. Some other adjustments have been made to some commercial customer groups to remove pricing anomalies. The attached pricing schedule shows the prices for each tariff group effective from 1 October 2023.

Our pricing methodology document can be found on our website at the following location and a copy may also be requested from Powerco's head office:

<https://www.powerco.co.nz/who-we-are/disclosures-and-submissions/gas-pricing>



Gas distribution prices from 1 October 2023

From 1 October 2023 our gas charges will increase by an average of 14.3% - about 18c per day for residential customers.

We update our prices annually to reflect changes such as the number of customers in our service areas, and the costs of meeting your gas needs. The overall impact on your gas bill will depend on how your retailer chooses to structure the prices they charge you.

Our prices are regulated by the Commerce Commission, with the 2023 increase covering the impacts of inflation levels and depreciation costs. As the owner and manager of the mains, service pipes, regulator stations, and other infrastructure delivering gas to your door, we continually invest in and maintain these assets to ensure a safe, reliable, resilient, and future-ready gas supply.

Climate change and decarbonisation are transforming the energy landscape. We will soon be publishing our asset management plan which outlines how we will support Aotearoa New Zealand's net zero by 2050 emissions target and the first Emissions Reduction Plan published in May 2022. Our plans reflect the impacts of decreasing dependence on fossil gas (particularly for large businesses), promoting access to low-emission gases, and retaining fuel options for energy resilience. The outcome we're seeking is households and businesses continue to benefit from gas while contributing to a sustainable and resilient energy system

Schedule of end-consumer load group charges (excluding GST)

Hawkes Bay						
Load group	Distribution charges effective 1 October 2023			Estimated number of consumers	Previous charges	
	Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)	Variable (c/kWh)		Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)
G06	\$0.0000	\$22.7252	\$0.08	1,185	\$0.0000	\$19.8876
G11	\$0.7936	\$4.7696	\$0.02	4,215	\$0.6365	\$4.7696
G12	\$1.8931	\$4.5440	\$0.02	199	\$1.6567	\$4.0901
G14	\$5.1135	\$4.0948	\$0.01	96	\$4.4750	\$3.5835
G16	\$6.7886	\$3.8677	\$0.01	63	\$5.9409	\$3.3848
G18	\$11.8176	\$3.7365	\$0.01	6	\$10.3420	\$3.2700

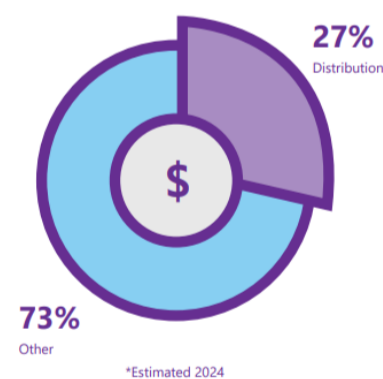
Manawatu and Horowhenua						
Load group	Distribution charges effective 1 October 2023			Estimated number of consumers	Previous charges	
	Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)	Variable (c/kWh)		Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)
G06	\$0.0000	\$22.7252	\$0.08	5,184	\$0.0000	\$19.8876
G11	\$0.7936	\$4.7696	\$0.02	14,971	\$0.6365	\$4.7696
G12	\$1.8931	\$4.5440	\$0.02	325	\$1.6567	\$4.0901
G14	\$5.1135	\$4.0948	\$0.01	95	\$4.4750	\$3.5835
G16	\$6.7886	\$3.8677	\$0.01	61	\$5.9409	\$3.3848
G18	\$11.8176	\$3.7365	\$0.01	13	\$10.3420	\$3.2700

Wellington						
Load group	Distribution charges effective 1 October 2023			Estimated number of consumers	Previous charges	
	Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)	Variable (c/kWh)		Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)
G06	\$0.0000	\$24.8601	\$0.09	6,905	\$0.0000	\$21.7560
G11	\$0.8035	\$5.4903	\$0.02	25,140	\$0.6444	\$5.4903
G12	\$1.3544	\$6.1962	\$0.02	514	\$1.1093	\$5.5030
G14	\$7.2989	\$6.1587	\$0.02	138	\$6.3875	\$5.4696
G16	\$11.2656	\$5.8447	\$0.02	71	\$9.8589	\$5.1149
G18	\$17.3131	\$5.6656	\$0.02	8	\$15.1513	\$4.9582

Hutt Valley and Porirua						
Load group	Distribution charges effective 1 October 2023			Estimated number of consumers	Previous charges	
	Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)	Variable (c/kWh)		Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)
G06	\$0.0000	\$24.8601	\$0.09	6,570	\$0.0000	\$21.7560
G11	\$0.8035	\$5.4903	\$0.02	25,950	\$0.6444	\$5.4903
G12	\$1.3544	\$6.1962	\$0.02	595	\$1.1093	\$5.5030
G14	\$7.2989	\$6.1587	\$0.02	145	\$6.3875	\$5.4696
G16	\$11.2656	\$5.8447	\$0.02	46	\$9.8589	\$5.1149
G18	\$17.3131	\$5.6656	\$0.02	13	\$15.1513	\$4.9582

Taranaki						
Load group	Distribution charges effective 1 October 2023			Estimated number of consumers	Previous charges	
	Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)	Variable (c/kWh)		Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)
G06	\$0.0000	\$22.7252	\$0.08	5,963	\$0.0000	\$19.8876
G11	\$0.7936	\$4.7696	\$0.02	14,098	\$0.6365	\$4.7696
G12	\$1.8931	\$4.5440	\$0.02	228	\$1.6567	\$4.0901
G14	\$5.1135	\$2.7917	\$0.01	112	\$4.4750	\$2.3149
G16	\$6.7886	\$2.7211	\$0.01	33	\$5.9409	\$2.2563
G18	\$11.8176	\$2.4760	\$0.01	11	\$10.3420	\$2.0531

Average residential gas bill*



Typical characteristics of different load group customers

Residential / small commercial		
G06	Less than or equal to 10 scm/hr and annual gas usage of less than 15GJ in the Central North Island and 14GJ in Greater Wellington*	Low-volume residential customers
G11	Less than or equal to 10 scm/hr and annual gas usage greater than or equal to 15GJ in the Central North Island and 14GJ in the Greater Wellington region*	Standard residential customers Small commercial customers such as small cafes, fish and chip shops, pizza shops
Commercial		
G12	Greater than 10 scm/hr and less than or equal to 25 scm/hr	Restaurants, small apartments, office buildings, small to mid-sized motels
G14	Greater than 25 scm/hr and less than or equal to 60 scm/hr	Hotels, large motels, shopping complexes, swimming pools
G16	Greater than 60 scm/hr and less than or equal to 140 scm/hr	Large office buildings, apartment blocks, commercial kitchens
G18	Greater than 140 scm/hr and less than or equal to 200 scm/hr	Commercial laundries, dry cleaners

* Consumers meeting the criteria can choose to belong to either the G06 or G11 load group.
Scm/hr = standard cubic metres per hour (gas flow rate) GJ = gigajoules (measure of gas)

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