

Reading energy bills

How to read bills to identify concessions, usage rates, discounts and offers.



How do I read my bill?

Reading your bill can be daunting and confusing. This bill explainer will show you which parts of the bill are most important so you can find the information you need and ignore the bits you don't.

1

Concessions

Here, you'll find a list of the concessions that your energy company is applying to your bill. If your concession is not listed here, hop on the phone to your energy company. They can only apply the concessions they know about.

2

Best offer

This part shows you the best possible energy plan available with your current energy company. If you're not currently on this plan, it's a good idea to phone your energy company to switch plans so you can start saving money today.

3

Average daily use

This is a simple way to show you how much energy you're using on average (in kilowatts per day). You can compare your bill with the same time last year to see if there's been an increase or decrease in usage.

Seasonal variation

With the need to heat and cool our homes, it makes sense that our bills will be reflective of the seasons. This graph shows you whether you have a higher bill in winter or summer.

4

Usage and service charges

This shows you the cost of your current electricity bill, not to be confused with the figure that shows the amount of money you previously owe.

Unpaid amount from previous bill

If you've missed a payment or your payment hasn't been received, the amount you owe (debt) will be reflected here. If you are having trouble paying your previous bill, you may be eligible for a Utility Relief Grant. For more information, call your energy company.

Total amount owed

This amount reflects the cost of your current bill plus any debt you owe to your energy company.

Billing period

This part of the bill tells you how often your bills arrive and whether you're paying for one month or three months of electricity.

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Sandra Sample
26 Sample Ct
SAMPLEVILLE VIC 3008

Billing period
Monthly or quarterly bills?

How much energy are you using?

Bill period: 12 Sep 2019 to 10 Dec 2019 (90 days)

Compare with other homes in your area.



Average usage data supplied by Australian Energy Regulator based on homes with gas during spring. Visit energymadeeasy.gov.au for more information.

Average daily cost and usage.



Total amount owed
Usage + debt

Usage and service charges
The cost of this energy bill

Unpaid amount from previous bill
The debt part of the bill

Snapshot.
Average daily cost: **\$3.78**
Average daily usage: **12.99kWh**
Same time last year: **23.13kWh**

Average daily use
The best way to compare your own energy use

Important numbers.

Enquiries: agl.com.au or 131 245
Faults and emergencies: 132 412 (Powercor)

Your account details.

Name: Sandra Sample
Account number: 7000 000 222
Supply address: 26 SAMPLE COURT SAMPLEVILLE VIC 3008

Your bill overview.

Balance brought forward	\$118.55
New charges	\$339.88
Account balance	\$458.43

Thank you.

Important information.

Payment assistance. There are a number of options available to eligible customers, including Victorian Government energy concessions and rebates, AGL payment plans and the Centrepay scheme. To find out more, visit agl.com.au/Concessions

Need an interpreter? Call 1300 307 245. 需要传译员吗? 请电上述号码。 هل تحتاج لمترجم؟ اتصل على الرقم أعلاه. Cần có thông dịch? Gọi số trên đây.

Hearing impaired (TTY). Call 133 677 and quote 1300 664 358.

If you don't wish to receive marketing information about AGL products and services, visit agl.com.au/DoNotContact

Compare energy plans
Visit compare.energy.vic.gov.au to compare all readily available plans in your area.

Moving? Visit agl.com.au/Move to arrange an electricity connection at your new premises.

Energy efficiency. For information about energy efficiency, visit www.victorianenergysaver.vic.gov.au or call 136 186.

Your electricity supply details.

Supply address: 26 SAMPLE COURT SAMPLEVILLE VIC 3008
Supply period: 12 Sep 2019 to 10 Dec 2019 (90 days)
NMI: 62033944
Energy Plan: Savers

Meter no.	Read type	Start reference ¹	End reference ¹	kWh
A75835	Actual	1,379	2,541	1162.416

¹These reference reads are a guide only and may not reflect the total energy consumption for this billing period. Your next meter read is due between 10 Mar 2020. Please ensure easy access to your meter on these days.

How we've worked out your bill.

Previous balance and payments.	Total
Previous balance	\$268.55
1 Oct 19 payment	\$150.00cr
Balance brought forward	\$118.55
New charges and credits.	
Usage and supply charges	
General Usage	1162.416kWh \$0.29 \$336.98
Supply charge	90 days \$1.29 \$116.10
Total charges	\$453.08
Credits	
Annual Electricity Concession	\$65.54cr
8% Pay On Time Discount	\$36.25cr
Total credits	\$101.79
Concessions	\$308.98
If it's not listed here, it's not being claimed (includes GST)	\$30.90
Total	\$339.88

Seasonal variation
The best way to understand your energy use over the last 12 months

Easy ways to manage your account online.

Enjoy more control. Pay your bill, set-up eBilling and view your energy usage – all in one place – with My Account. Register today at agl.com.au/myaccount



Could you save money on another plan?

Based on your past usage our Saver plan may cost you up to \$120 less per year than your current plan.*

To switch plans, simply visit agl.com.au/s
Best offer
The cheapest available plan for your home

*The above message is subject to energy regulations

Account balance **\$458.43**

Payment not required.
Reference number 7011 1372 2691 2909

Post Billpay

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- Direct Debit[^]**
Sign up to Direct Debit at agl.com.au/Payments or call 131 245.
- Visa or Mastercard[^]**
Online: agl.com.au/Payments
Phone: 1300 657 386
Bill Code: 208868
- Mail**
Send your cheque or money order along with this section of the bill to:
AGL Sales Pty Limited
Locked Bag 20024, Melbourne VIC 3001

- Bill Code: 208868**
Ref. Number: 7011 1372 2691 2909
- Post Billpay[^]**
Make a Post Billpay[®] payment.
Online: postbillpay.com.au Phone: 131 816
In person at any Post Office. Billpay Code: 3201
- Centrepay**
Eligible residential customers can visit humanservices.gov.au/centrepay
AGL Centrepay CRN: 555-068-319-J
- PayPal**
To pay via PayPal visit agl.com.au/Payments

[^]A 0.45% fee (GST incl.) may apply if we incur a fee due to your payment method, including if you pay by credit or debit card. -A fee of \$2.00 (incl. GST) may apply if you pay your bill over the counter.

Electricity account

Enquiries 133 466
Street Light or Power Failure (24 Hrs) AusNet Elec Services 131 799

Internet energyaustralia.com.au



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SAM SAMPLE
SAMPLE RD
SAMPLEVILLE VIC 3000

Billing period
Monthly or quarterly bills?

Customer number	1234 567 890
Account number	3333 333 333
Service address	SAMPLE RD, SAMPLEVILLE VIC 3000
Tax Invoice	Issue date 03 Mar 2019

Electricity account summary **30 Nov 2018 to 28 Feb 2019**

Plan	Regular Saver
Opening balance	\$331.81
Payment received thank you	\$180.00Cr

05 Dec 2018	BPay	\$60.00Cr
04 Jan 2019	BPay	\$60.00Cr
08 Feb 2019	BPay	\$60.00Cr

Adjustments

Balance carried forward	\$151.81
Current charges (see over for details)	\$323.34
Total amount due (incl. GST)	\$475.15
* 3% discount if you pay this bill by the due date (incl. GST \$0.84Cr)	\$9.70Cr

Total amount owed
Usage + debt

Usage and service charges
The cost of this energy bill

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Payment required

Total amount
\$475.15

Your account has a credit balance

Any applicable pay on time discounts will be applied on your next bill

Could you save money on another plan?

Based on your past usage, our Total Plan (Home) plan may cost you up to \$597 less per year than your current plan.^^

Call us or go online for our best deal.

Best offer
The cheapest available plan for your home

EnergyAustralia Pty Ltd ABN 99 086 014 968.

Your electricity rates haven't changed

energyaustralia.com.au

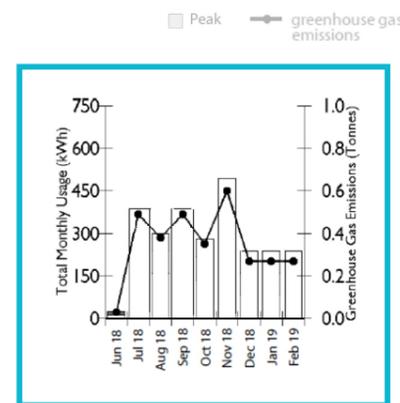
Your electricity usage and service calculation

Account number 3333 333 333 Billing period 30 Nov 2018 to 28 Feb 2019
NMI 44444444444 Service address Sample Rd, Sampleville VIC 3000

Details	Total Usage	Charge/Rate	\$
Regular Saver			
30/11/2018 - 28/02/2019 - 91 Days			
Energy Charges			
30/11/2018 - 28/02/2019 - 91 Days			
* Regular Saver Peak Consumption	963.000 kWh	\$0.33400 per kWh	\$321.87
* Regular Saver Supply Charge		\$1.2400 per day	\$112.84
30/11/2018 - 28/02/2019 - 91 Days			
* Annual Electricity Concession			\$68.59Cr
* Total Current Charges (incl. GST of \$29.39)			\$323.34

Concessions
If it's not listed here, it's not being claimed

Electricity usage and greenhouse gas emissions



Average daily use (kWh)
This account: **10.59**
Same time last year: **9.81**

Average Peak cost per day (incl. GST): **\$3.54**

You can go to Victorian Energy Compare to compare other energy plans at compare.energy.vic.gov.au

Average daily use
The best way to compare your own energy use

Total greenhouse gas emissions (Tonnes) this account: **1.09**
For more information visit www.climatechange.gov.au

Thank you for choosing a green energy product, you have saved **0.12** tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions.

Seasonal variation

The best way to understand your energy use over the last 12 months

Plan	daily consumption (kWh)	Rating
Plan A	7.46	x
Plan B	11.46	✓
Plan C	13.07	✓
Plan D	14.49	✓
Plan E	15.79	✓

Compare your electricity usage with similar households in your area.

How it works:

- Select the household size that represents the number of people in your home,
- Compare the 'Average daily consumption benchmark' to 'Your household daily consumption'.

To find out more about how average household energy usage is calculated and get some energy efficiency tips, visit www.energymadeeasy.gov.au

This benchmark applies to residential electricity consumption. It is calculated based on figures provided by the Australian Energy Regulator (AER) and is indicative only. Consumption benchmarks exclude some large appliances, such as pool pumps, and generation systems (e.g. PV). For more information or useful energy efficiency tips, visit: www.energymadeeasy.gov.au

^^Estimated savings or best plan confirmation shown on the front of your bill are based on your past 12 months usage, or your available usage data (if less than 12 months) and our current in market plans at the time this bill was issued. We update our plans from time to time. If you switch plans, the amount you may save will depend on the plan you choose and the amount of energy you use. Go to energyaustralia.com.au/vic-changes to find out more.

For this billing period the following index reads have been provided by your distributor. A value of zero may be the result of the information not being available.

Meter Number	Start Date	Reading	End Date	Reading
1111111	30/11/2018	5612	28/02/2019	6575



Billing period
Monthly or quarterly bills?

21 Apr 19 - 20 Jul 19

Your electricity bill

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YOUR ACCOUNT DETAILS	PAYMENT PLAN	ACCOUNT BALANCE
Account number 301 09 Tax invoice 11 391 20 Issue date 23 Jul 19 Total amount due See the Account Summary on page 2 Joint account holders	Payment plan: EasiPay Frequency: Fortnightly Amount: \$32.00 Next instalment due: 3 Aug 19 Payment method: Direct debit	\$641.42

YOUR USAGE SUMMARY	Could you save money on another plan?
<p>Average cost per day: \$4.69</p> <p>Average daily usage: 18.11 kWh</p> <p>Same time last year: 15.45 kWh</p> <p>17.22% increase in usage since last year</p> <p>Your indicative greenhouse gas emissions</p> <p>Total for this bill: 2.1 tonnes</p> <p>Same time last year: 1.8 tonnes</p> <p>Saved with GreenPower: N/A</p> <p>Find out more about greenhouse gas emissions at originenergy.com.au or switchon.vic.gov.au.</p>	<p>Based on your past usage, our Saver plan may cost you up to \$175 less per year than your current plan.</p> <p>Estimated as at this bill's issue date.</p> <p>You can compare plans from other retailers by going to the Victorian Energy Compare website www.vicenergycompare.com.au.</p> <p>Best offer The cheapest available plan for your home</p>

NEED TO GET IN TOUCH?	FIND OUT MORE
<p>Enquiries & moving address: 13 24 61</p> <p>7 am - 9 pm local time Mon - Fri</p> <p>9 am - 5 pm local time Sat</p>	<p>originenergy.com.au</p>

HOW TO PAY
<p>DIRECT DEBIT</p> <p>Register online at originenergy.com.au/myaccount or call 13 24 61 to arrange automatic payment of future accounts*</p>
<p>MAIL</p> <p>Send this slip with your cheque made payable to: Origin Energy Holdings Limited, Private Bag 14825 Melbourne Vic 8001</p>
<p>VISA OR MASTERCARD**</p> <p>Call 1300 658 783 or visit originenergy.com.au/paynow</p>
<p>IN PERSON</p> <p>Pay at any Post Office*</p>
<p>TELEPHONE & INTERNET BANKING - BPAY®</p> <p>Contact your bank or financial institution to make this payment from your cheque, savings, debit, credit card* or transaction account. More info: www.bpay.com.au</p>

*Visa or MasterCard payments may incur a processing fee of 0.55% (incl GST) of the total payment amount. This will be shown on your next bill. Some exemptions and payment limits may apply. **Payment processing fee of \$2.00 (incl GST) may apply. Origin Energy Electricity Ltd ABN 33 071 052 287

ACCOUNT SUMMARY	
Previous activity	
Opening balance	\$455.30
Payments received	\$241.00 CR ^A
Balance carried forward	\$214.13
Your new charges	
Total electricity charges - incl discounts and rebates (incl GST of \$38.83)	\$427.12 ^B
Current balance	\$641.25
(incl net GST charges of \$38.83)	

PAYMENTS RECEIVED ^A		Total amount owed Usage + debt
27 Apr 19	Direct Debit - Bank Account	\$32.00 CR
11 May 19	Direct Debit - Bank Account	
25 May 19	Direct Debit - Bank Account	Usage and service charges The cost of this energy bill
8 Jun 19	Direct Debit - Bank Account	
22 Jun 19	Direct Debit - Bank Account	Unpaid amount from previous bill The debt part of the bill
6 Jul 19	Direct Debit - Bank Account	
20 Jul 19	Direct Debit - Bank Account	
Total		

TOTAL ELECTRICITY CHARGES ^C				
Your site details				
Supply address	National Meter Identifier (NMI)			
VIC	6200 000 0000			
Meter read	Next billing date			
Actual	3 month(s)			
Period: 21 Apr 19 - 20 Jul 19 (91 days)				
Your rate: General Domestic				
Meter no	Usage type	Previous read	Current read	Usage (kWh)
DZ00000	Peak	49238.7	50885.8	1648.245
				Total kWh
				1648.246
Charges	Usage (kWh)	Charge	Amount	
Peak Usage	1648.246	31.00 c/kWh	\$510.96	
Supply Charge		131.02 c/Day	\$119.23	
Discounts and Rebates				
Annual Electricity Concession				\$73.28 CR
Guaranteed usage discount (33%)				\$168.62 CR
Total for period 21 Apr 19 - 20 Jul 19 (incl GST)				\$427.12

YOUR USAGE BREAKDOWN	
Average cost per day: \$4.69	
Average daily usage: 18.11 kWh	
Same time last year: 15.45 kWh	
Your indicative greenhouse gas emissions	
Total for this bill: 2.1 tonnes	
Same time last year: 1.8 tonnes	
Saved with GreenPower: N/A	
Find out more about greenhouse gas emissions at originenergy.com.au or switchon.vic.gov.au .	

NEED TO GET IN TOUCH?

- Moving address?**
 - Go online originenergy.com.au/movers (allow 3 business days notice)
- Contact us**
 - We're happy to help - any questions or complaints:
 - My Account login originenergy.com.au/myaccount
 - Call us 13 24 61 (7 am - 9 pm local time Mon - Fri) (9 am - 5 pm local time Sat)
 - Go online originenergy.com.au/rescontact
 - Write to us (no payments) **Origin Energy Customer Contact Centre**, GPO Box 1199, Adelaide SA 5001
- Solar and Home Products**
 - For Solar Power, Emergency Hot Water (24/7), Heating and Cooling Products. Sales, installation, service and solar billing enquiries call 1300 791 468.
- Concessions and rebates**
 - You may be eligible for the Victorian Government Annual Electricity Concession or Off Peak Energy Concession - call us on 13 24 61 for details.
- Payment assistance**
 - Payment extensions, special payments, instalment plans and the Utility Relief Grant Scheme are available if you need it - call us on 13 24 61 for details.
- National Relay Service**
 - If you have a hearing or speech impairment, contact us through the National Relay Service. For more information, visit www.relayservice.gov.au
- Need an interpreter?**
 - Call 1300 137 427

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