

Table 9.9 Average Retail Prices of Electricity
(Cents per Kilowatthour, Excluding Taxes)

	Residential	Commercial ^a	Industrial ^b	Transportation ^c	Other ^d	Total
1973 Average	2.5	2.4	1.3	NA	2.1	2.0
1974 Average	3.1	3.0	1.7	NA	2.8	2.5
1975 Average	3.5	3.5	2.1	NA	3.1	2.9
1976 Average	3.7	3.7	2.2	NA	3.3	3.1
1977 Average	4.1	4.1	2.5	NA	3.5	3.4
1978 Average	4.3	4.4	2.8	NA	3.6	3.7
1979 Average	4.6	4.7	3.1	NA	4.0	4.0
1980 Average	5.4	5.5	3.7	NA	4.8	4.7
1981 Average	6.2	6.3	4.3	NA	5.3	5.5
1982 Average	6.9	6.9	5.0	NA	5.9	6.1
1983 Average	7.2	7.0	5.0	NA	6.4	6.3
1984 Average	7.15	7.13	4.83	NA	5.90	6.25
1985 Average	7.39	7.27	4.97	NA	6.09	6.44
1986 Average	7.42	7.20	4.93	NA	6.11	6.44
1987 Average	7.45	7.08	4.77	NA	6.21	6.37
1988 Average	7.48	7.04	4.70	NA	6.20	6.35
1989 Average	7.65	7.20	4.72	NA	6.25	6.45
1990 Average	7.83	7.34	4.74	NA	6.40	6.57
1991 Average	8.04	7.53	4.83	NA	6.51	6.75
1992 Average	8.21	7.66	4.83	NA	6.74	6.82
1993 Average	8.32	7.74	4.85	NA	6.88	6.93
1994 Average	8.38	7.73	4.77	NA	6.84	6.91
1995 Average	8.40	7.69	4.66	NA	6.88	6.89
1996 Average	8.36	7.64	4.60	NA	6.91	6.86
1997 Average	8.43	7.59	4.53	NA	6.91	6.85
1998 Average	8.26	7.41	4.48	NA	6.63	6.74
1999 Average	8.16	7.26	4.43	NA	6.35	6.64
2000 Average	8.24	7.43	4.64	NA	6.56	6.81
2001 Average	8.62	7.93	5.04	NA	7.03	7.32
2002 January	8.09	7.44	4.78	NA	6.58	6.98
February	8.19	7.66	4.82	NA	6.76	7.01
March	8.17	7.69	4.83	NA	6.79	7.00
April	8.38	7.61	4.76	NA	6.86	6.97
May	8.64	7.77	4.78	NA	6.79	7.11
June	8.72	8.05	4.99	NA	6.83	7.41
July	8.81	8.26	5.18	NA	6.66	7.65
August	8.76	8.20	5.11	NA	6.57	7.58
September	8.66	8.05	4.95	NA	6.56	7.38
October	8.51	8.04	4.89	NA	6.75	7.22
November	8.34	7.65	4.73	NA	6.71	6.97
December	8.10	7.61	4.73	NA	6.94	6.99
Average	8.46	7.86	4.88	NA	6.73	7.21
2003 January	7.98	7.77	4.67	NA	6.68	7.02
February	8.00	7.76	4.82	NA	6.90	7.02
March	8.31	7.84	4.89	NA	7.19	7.14
April	8.82	8.03	4.86	NA	7.20	7.27
May	9.00	8.15	4.92	NA	7.17	7.40
June	9.21	8.52	5.07	NA	7.15	7.71
July	9.15	8.60	5.28	NA	6.98	7.91
August	9.19	8.53	5.27	NA	6.94	7.89
September	8.90	8.21	5.02	NA	7.01	7.55
October	8.90	8.17	4.96	NA	6.85	7.38
November	8.74	7.93	4.77	NA	6.67	7.18
December	8.34	7.80	4.78	NA	6.64	7.15
Average	8.71	8.13	4.95	NA	6.95	7.40
2004 January	8.24	R 7.71	R 4.87	R 5.41	—	R 7.18
February	8.32	7.84	R 4.91	R 5.56	—	7.21
March	R 8.62	R 7.94	R 4.91	R 5.62	—	7.27
April	R 8.93	7.91	4.95	R 5.58	—	R 7.29
May	9.07	8.02	R 5.02	R 5.52	—	R 7.41
June	R 9.25	8.46	R 5.28	R 5.93	—	R 7.84
July	9.34	8.58	5.46	6.27	—	8.05
7-Month Average ...	8.82	8.09	5.06	5.70	—	7.48
2003 7-Month Average ...	8.62	8.12	4.94	NA	7.07	7.37
2002 7-Month Average ...	8.44	7.80	4.88	NA	6.75	7.18

^a Commercial sector. For 1973-2003, prices exclude public street and highway lighting, interdepartmental sales, and other sales to public authorities.

^b Industrial sector. For 1973-2003, prices exclude agriculture and irrigation.

^c Transportation sector, including railroads and railways.

^d Public street and highway lighting, interdepartmental sales, other sales to public authorities, agriculture and irrigation, and transportation including railroads and railways.

R=Revised, NA=Not available. —=Not applicable.

Notes: • Beginning in 2004, the category "Other" has been replaced by "Transportation," and the categories "Commercial" and "Industrial" have been redefined. • Annual data prior to 1984 cover only selected utilities; beginning in 1984, annual data are derived from a census. Monthly data prior to January 1986 were derived from selected privately owned electric utilities and, therefore, are not national averages; beginning with January 1986, monthly data of national average price estimates are based on a statistically derived sample of both publicly and privately owned electric utilities. • Prices are

calculated by dividing revenue by sales. Revenue may not correspond to sales for a particular month because of energy service provider billing and accounting procedures. That lack of correspondence could result in uncharacteristic increases or decreases in the monthly prices. See Note 7 at end of section. • Geographic coverage is the 50 States and the District of Columbia.

Web Page: <http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/mer/prices.html>.

Sources: • **1973-September 1977:** Federal Power Commission, Form FPC-5, "Monthly Statement of Electric Operating Revenues and Income." • **October 1977-February 1980:** Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), Form FPC-5, "Monthly Statement of Electric Operating Revenues and Income." • **March 1980-1982:** FERC, Form FPC-5, "Electric Utility Company Monthly Statement." • **1983:** Energy Information Administration (EIA), Form EIA-826, "Electric Utility Company Monthly Statement." • **1984-1989:** EIA, Form EIA-861, "Annual Electric Utility Report." • **1990 forward:** EIA, *Electric Power Monthly*, October 2004, Table 5.3.