

Newsline

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Lower Winter Heating Costs Expected

For Consumers Energy natural gas residential customers, total savings this winter could be more than \$100, depending on weather and actual energy use.

NATURAL GAS PRICES FALLING

\$8.39 **62%** LESS \$3.18 2006

Price per thousand cubic feet

Customers also benefit by our underground storage system, the second-largest in the nation. The Michigan storage system allows us to buy gas when it costs less in the summer, for use by customers during the colder winter months.

Making an Informed Choice

We're proud to help customers, who have chosen us as their supplier, save money with low natural gas prices. The Michigan Public Service Commission recently created a website to allow people to compare natural gas prices among Consumers Energy and other gas providers at www.Michigan.gov/CompareMIGas.





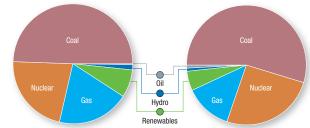
FUEL SOURCE	Percentage of fuel type used to produce Consumers Energy's total electricity	Regional* average fuel mix used to generate electricity
Coal	49.5%	55.0%
Nuclear	21.8%	25.7%
Gas	19.6%	12.8%
Hydroelectric	1.4%	0.7%
Oil	< 0.1%	0.6%
(1) Other	< 0.1%	_
RENEWABLE FUELS	7.4%	5.2%
Wood	2.1%	0.5%
Wind	4.1%	3.4%
Solid Waste Incineration	1.2%	< 0.1%
Biomass	< 0.1%	0.5%
Biofuel	< 0.1%	0.7%
0.1	0.40/	0.40/

The fuel mix data for the electricity supplied to you by Consumers Energy that appears in this table includes regional average fuel mix data from Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Wisconsin as a proxy for the actual fuel mix of certain electricity purchased by Consumers Energy because the actual fuel mix characteristics of that purchased electricity could not be discerned. Purchased electricity accounted for 13.91 percent of the electricity supplied by Consumers Energy during the relevant period.

EMISSIONS/WASTE IN POUNDS PER MEGAWATT-HOUR	Emissions/Waste for Fossil and Nuclear Generation	
	Consumers Energy	Regional* Average
Sulfur Dioxide	4.8	7.6
Carbon Dioxide	1,871.7	2,170.0
Oxides of Nitrogen	1.25	2.0
(2) High-Level Nuclear Waste	0.0069	0.0083

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Regional* average fuel mix used to generate electricity



- PLEASE NOTE: Numbers do not add to 100 percent due to rounding.
- Regional average fuel mix data was compiled from Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Wisconsin. "Other" fuel source is the Ludington Pumped Storage Plant.
- (2) The high-level nuclear waste generated by the Palisades Nuclear Plant is not discharged to the environment.

E'RE COMMITTED to providing you stable and competitive rates over the long haul. We offer pricing, rate and payment options that fit with how you use energy and can help you manage your energy bill. Here are our most common rate options.



Natural Gas Residential Rates

RATE	DESCRIPTION	FULL SERVICE
A	Space Heating	250
A	Without Space Heating	260
A	Master Account	052
A	Gas Customer Choice	752
A-1	Gas Customer Choice Multi	753
A-1	Multifamily Dwelling	251, 480
A-1	Multifamily Dwelling/Master Account	043

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