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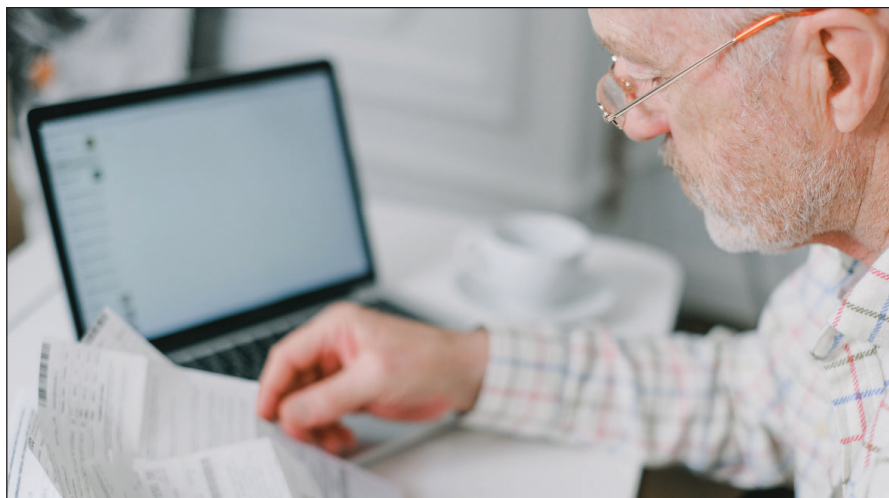
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CONNECTIONS

August 2026



Understanding your electric bill

August is typically one of the warmest months of the year, and that means air conditioners across our community are working overtime to keep homes comfortable. During periods of extreme heat, many customers may see an increase in their electric bill and wonder what factors contribute to the cost of electricity.

At Cornhusker Public Power District, we believe understanding your electric bill is an important part of being an informed customer. While the total amount due may seem like a single number, it actually reflects several different costs associated with delivering reliable electricity to your home or business.

Energy

Electricity is measured in kilowatt-hours (kWh), and the more energy your household consumes, the higher your bill will be. During the summer, air conditioning is typically the largest driver of increased energy use. When temperatures climb into the

90s or higher, our cooling systems run longer and more frequently, consuming significantly more electricity than they do during milder weather.

Minimum maintenance fee

Cornhusker Public Power District maintains the local electric distribution system—utility poles, power lines, transformers, substations, and other essential equipment that safely delivers power to customers. Maintaining this equipment is covered through the minimum monthly fee. This is a flat monthly fee all customers pay, regardless of how much electricity they use. This fixed fee ensures all customers pay a fair share of the basic, operational costs required to keep the power grid reliable and ready to serve your home or business. Whether a customer uses a little electricity or a lot, we must maintain infrastructure and have crews, equipment, and resources available to provide electricity around the clock.

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Demand

Summer temperatures can also influence costs in less obvious ways. When electricity demand is high across a region, wholesale power prices can rise. Utilities and grid operators must ensure enough generation is available to meet peak demand, and those costs can be reflected throughout the electric system.

Demand is measured in kilowatts (kW), and it is the amount of power needed to supply electrical devices running in your home or business at a given point in time. It is the maximum rate at which your household consumes electricity. Each appliance as it is turned on, demands electric power while it operates.

Demand meters record the highest average kilowatts reached and maintained in a rolling 30-minute interval. Customers are billed for the average peak demand each month.

Other factors

Another major factor is the cost of generating or purchasing electricity. Like many public power districts, CPPD purchases power from Nebraska Public Power District. The cost of producing electricity fluctuates based on fuel prices, including natural gas, coal, and other energy resources used to generate power.

Transmission costs also play a role. Before electricity reaches your home, it must travel across a network of high-voltage transmission lines that connect power plants to local distribution systems. Transmission equipment requires ongoing maintenance and upgrades to ensure reliability, especially as electricity demand continues to grow.

What do these terms mean?

Name as it appears in our records

Account number

Demand Charge (kW)

Usage comparison table

Meter number

Energy Charge (kWh)

Monthly fee

Total amount due

Amount due if paid after due date

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ACCOUNT NO.		ACCOUNT NAME		RATE	CYCLE	LOCATION		METER
11/01/		12/01/		30	0	90699		92605
DEMAND:		READING		11.461	ACTUAL	11.000		BILLED
MONTHLY FEE		SALES TAX		SUBTOTAL		CORNHUSKER GOODWILL FUND		PREVIOUS AMOUNT DUE
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PAYMENT		11/19/18		TOTAL AMOUNT DUE				

Comparisons	Days Service	Total KWH	Avg. KWH/Day	Cost Per Day	AMOUNT DUE NOW	\$
Current Billing Period	30	1906	64	6.53	DUE DATE	207.00
Previous Billing Period	31	1652	53	5.72	BILL DELINQUENT	AFTER DUE DATE
Same Period Last Year	30	1947	65	7.26	AFTER DUE DATE PAY	217.00

FINANCE CHARGE OF 1.17% PER MONTH OR AN ANNUAL PERCENT OF 16% WILL BE APPLIED TO BALANCE AFTER 30 DAYS

YOUR ELECTRICITY USE OVER THE LAST 12 MONTHS

0 = NORMAL
1 = ESTIMATED
2 = MINIMUM ESTIMATED
3 = MINIMUM
4 = FINAL

5 = PRIORATED
6 = MINIMUM PRIORATED
7 = BUDGET / LEVELIZED
8 = CONTRACT

OUTAGES
If service is interrupted, (if your electricity goes off), check your fuses and circuit breakers, before reporting the outage. Report outages promptly.
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RETAIN THIS COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

METER NUMBER	ACCOUNT NUMBER	DUE DATE	TOTAL DUE
601 <td></td> <td></td> <td>217.00</td>			217.00

PLEASE INDICATE CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER HERE

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The good news is that simple steps to lower energy use can make a meaningful difference. Setting your thermostat a few degrees higher when you're away, replacing dirty HVAC filters, using ceiling fans, sealing air leaks, and avoiding the use of major appliances during the hottest parts of the day can help reduce energy consumption, lower your bill, and reduce strain on the local grid during peak demand.

Cornhusker Public Power District's mission is to provide safe, reliable, and affordable electricity while being transparent about the factors that impact energy costs. We understand every dollar matters, and we are committed to making smart investments that keep the lights on and support the communities we serve.



LITHIUM-ION BATTERY SAFETY AT HOME

Rechargeable lithium-ion batteries power many everyday devices, including phones, laptops, e-bikes, tools and toys. These batteries store a lot of energy in a small space. Learn how to buy, charge, store and recycle batteries safely to help prevent fires at home.

Use lithium-ion batteries safely

- Buy batteries and chargers with a nationally recognized safety certification mark.
- Only use chargers made for your devices and follow the manufacturer's instructions.
- Don't leave devices charging for longer than is necessary.
- Charge on hard, flat surfaces. Do not charge on beds, couches, or under pillows.
- Store batteries at room temperature and away from anything that can catch fire.
- Have repairs conducted by a qualified professional.

! Stop using a battery if it smells unusual, gets very hot, makes popping sounds, or changes in shape or color.

Charge e-bike and e-scooter batteries safely

- Charge your battery outdoors in a flat, dry area away from direct sunlight.
- Do not use a battery or charger that is damaged.
- Store batteries at room temperature, away from hot or cold areas.
- Never charge in areas that may block exits or create tripping hazards.
- Keep batteries away from anything that can catch fire.

What if batteries have been exposed to floodwater?

- Do not charge lithium-ion batteries that have been submerged or show signs of damage.
- Place exposed devices or batteries in noncombustible containers. Store them outside, away from buildings until recycled.

Recycle batteries the right way

- Do not throw lithium-ion batteries in the trash or curbside recycling bins. Doing so can start fires.
- Recycle batteries and devices at an approved battery recycling location.
- Contact your local waste department or visit batterynetwork.org to find a recycling site near you.

! The best way to cool a lithium-ion battery that is overheating or on fire is to flood it with water or submerge it in water.

Source: National Fire Protection Association

To learn more, visit:

Safe
Electricity.org®

Cornhusker PPD sends student to Youth Tour in Washington D.C.

Cornhusker Public Power District sponsored a high school student to attend NRECA's National Rural Electric Cooperative Youth Tour in Washington D.C., held June 15 to 20, 2026.

Cora Bartos of Columbus joined twenty-six other participants from Nebraska to attend the week-long event. Bartos is the daughter of Jake and Lana and recently graduated from Lakeview High School.



(Above): Nebraska youth participants at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C.

(Right): Cora Bartos poses in front of the U.S. Capitol.



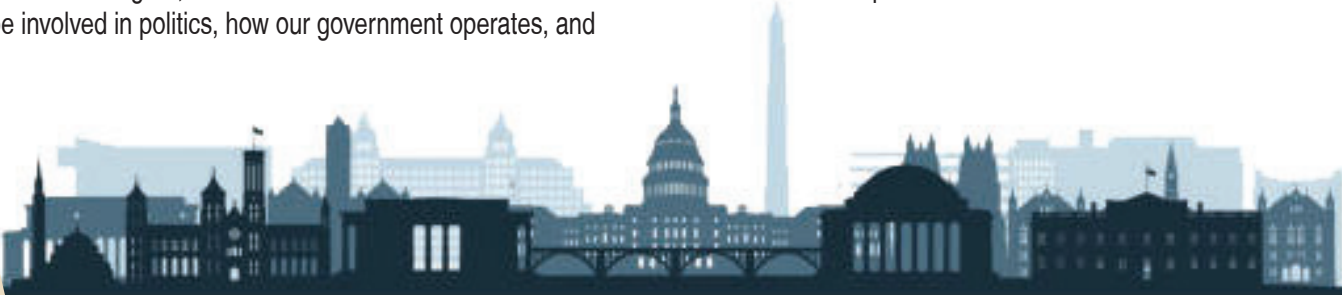
The Nebraska Rural Electric Association hosts students from Nebraska to attend the annual event. Nebraska participants joined more than 1,800 students from across the country. The group visited numerous monuments and memorials, including the Washington Monument, the Jefferson Memorial, the Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial, the Gettysburg Battlefield, the White House, and more.

"I enjoyed touring all the monuments and learning about the history of our country," said Bartos. One of the highlights of the trip included meeting Nebraska Senators Deb Fischer and Pete Ricketts.

While in Washington, the students learn first-hand what it is like to be involved in politics, how our government operates, and

learn about how and why rural electric systems were formed. "I gained a deeper appreciation for the importance of reliable, community-focused energy," says Bartos. "Thank you for providing reliable and affordable electricity to my family."

These students represent the next generation of educated, engaged citizen leaders in our communities and country. The teen delegates are challenged to consider the part they play in government, to become involved in their communities, and to consider careers in public office.



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