



Notice

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2026/27 price list for the Western Power network

Determination

The Economic Regulation Authority has approved [Western Power's proposed 2026/27 price list](#).

Western Power is required to submit its price list for approval under Chapter 8 of the *Electricity Networks Access Code 2004*. We must approve the proposed prices if they are consistent with Western Powers approved access arrangement, including the tariff structure statement, and the Access Code.

Network charges are not directly charged to households and most businesses. Network charges are paid by retailers, generators and some very large customers. Retailers decide how those charges will be passed on to their customers, along with other costs such as wholesale electricity.

The average increase in network tariffs from 2026/27 is 10 per cent. Charges for individual customers will vary depending on the type of tariff they are on, and their usage.

The average increase is higher than forecast in the ERA's final decision for Western Power's fifth access arrangement, published on 31 March 2023, due to higher inflation than forecast and changes in the mix of tariffs selected by retailers and usage patterns.¹

The approved network prices will commence on 1 July 2026.

The Western Australian Government determines the extent to which increases in network tariffs will affect regulated retail tariffs (charged to residential and small business customers) and regulated retail streetlighting tariffs (charged to local governments). The State Budget, released on 8 May 2026 stated that regulated retail tariffs will increase by 2.75 per cent, and regulated retail streetlight tariffs for the South West Interconnected System will increase by 5.72 per cent for the year 2026/27.

Further information

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¹ The forecast average increase in network tariffs for 2026/27 was 7.8 per cent. Actual inflation was 3.8 per cent compared to forecast inflation of 2.6 per cent and changes in the mix of tariffs and usage patterns resulted in charging quantities being 1 per cent lower than forecast.