

HOW DOES THE WEATHER AFFECT MY UTILITY BILL?



Summertime in Wisconsin is delightful. It's why we live here. However, it can get hot and dry at times, and this year has been no exception. And because there's often a lag between the hot spells and when you receive your bill, it is easy to forget how hot and dry it actually was. If your utility bills are higher this summer, it could be due to a number of factors, including:

Warmer weather

- New Richmond usually has 5 days where the temperature reaches 90°F or above. So far this cooling season, there have been 11.
- The average daily high temperature in June was 12 degrees higher; in July, it was 10 degrees higher.

Drier conditions

- Our rainfall for June, July and August (to-date) is less than 1/3 of what we normally receive.



Here are other ways your bills can be affected:

- **Our cost of electricity is higher during the summer months** than it is during other times of the year. Because of increased air conditioning use, overall customer demand for electricity is at its highest in the summer months.
- **Your water use affects your sewer bill.** Your sewer charges are based on how much water your household uses. Unless you have a separate meter for your outdoor water use, as you water your lawn or fill your swimming pool, your sewer charges will increase, too.
- **The number of days in the billing period can vary.** Our monthly reading dates can be affected by holidays and weekends. While your average daily use may be the same, some monthly bills can have more days in the billing cycle than others.

TAKE CONTROL OF YOUR BILL

Budget Payment Plan

Pay the same amount each month, based on the average of your actual bill charges during the previous 12 months to avoid unpredictable utility bills. Visit nrutilities.com for more information.

MyAccount

Sign up for MyAccount to manage your account and set notification alerts of new bills and high usage trends.

Focus on Energy

Focus on Energy offers rebates and programs to help you manage your energy use. Visit focusonenergy.com for more information.

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