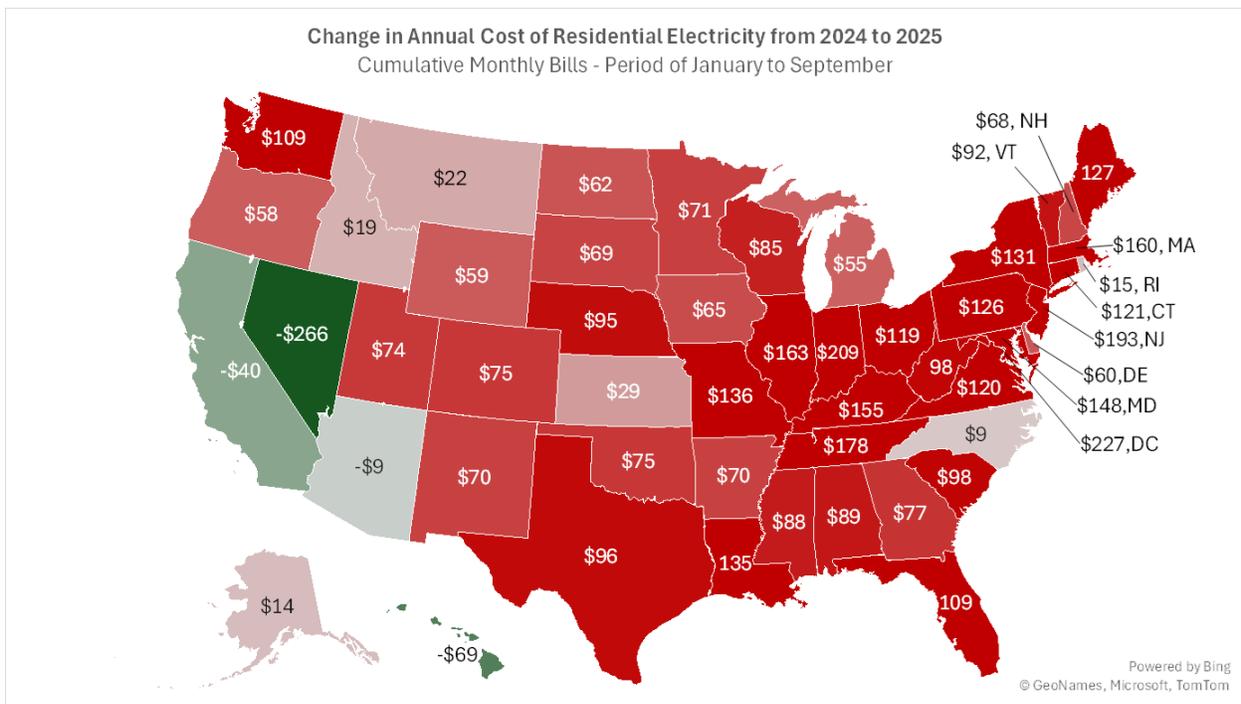




Trump’s War on Affordable Energy is Driving Up Electricity Prices

Since Trump took office, the typical household’s electricity bill is up 13% across the country and up 7% from 2024.¹ Nearly 3 in 4 Americans are worried about their utility bills increasing and 4 in 5 report feeling they have no control over their electricity and gas bills.² A recent analysis of online filings by utilities and records of decisions in state public utilities commission (PUC) dockets found that utility customers across 49 states and Washington, D.C. have faced, or may soon face, \$85.8 billion in total proposed or approved cost increases.

Trump’s “Energy Dominance” Policies are Driving Up Prices



Data Source: Monthly Form EIA-861M (formerly EIA-826) detailed data - Revenue, sales, customer counts, and retail price by state and sector (https://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia861m/xls/sales_revenue.xlsx)

Limiting New Energy Resources: The Department of Interior and other agencies have stalled permits for more than 500 clean energy projects, including at least 18 GW of solar on federal lands, and 116 GW total capacity.³ This would account for more than half of all new power planned to be built in the United States through 2030.⁴

¹ https://www.eia.gov/electricity/monthly/epm_table_grapher.php?t=table_5_03

² <https://www.ipsos.com/en-us/most-americans-report-higher-electricity-gas-bills-compared-year-ago>

³ <https://www.reuters.com/sustainability/climate-energy/wind-solar-power-frozen-out-trump-permitting-push-2025-12-10/>

⁴ [American Energy Under Threat](#)



The Department of Energy cancelled 26 Grid Resilience and Innovation Partnerships (GRIP) Program Projects. These projects would have helped ensure the reliability of grid infrastructure, so communities have access to affordable, reliable electricity. The DOE previously estimated that the transmission built through this initiative could enable an additional 35 gigawatts of clean energy to be brought onto the grid by 2030.⁵

Tax Credit Rollbacks: The Rhodium Group estimates that the One Big Beautiful Bill will constrict the build-out of new clean power generating capacity by more than half through 2035.⁶ Midwestern states will see residential electricity prices rise by 12% and Western states will see a 10% rise over the next four years. Cumulative household energy costs will increase by \$32 billion between 2025 and 2035.⁷ The One Big Beautiful Bill also ended the Residential Clean Energy Credit and Energy Efficient Home Improvement Credit — together, these credits provided \$8.4 billion in savings across the country, saving households an average of \$6,000 per household in 2023 alone.⁸

Greenlighting LNG Exports: Natural gas prices have increased more than 70% since mid-October, climbing above \$5/MMBtu for the first time since 2022. According to Reuters, U.S. LNG exports hit a record 10.9 million metric tons in November, and between now and 2030, U.S. LNG export capacity is set to double, placing increasing pressure on domestic gas markets.⁹

Import Tariffs on Steel, Aluminum, and Cooper: The Trump Administration doubled import tariffs on steel and aluminum to 50%. The Administration also implemented a new 50% tariff on most copper products.¹⁰ Steel, aluminum, and copper account for roughly 20 to 30% of a transmission project's costs.¹¹ Utilities are likely to pass these increased material costs onto consumers, driving up household electricity prices across the country.¹²

Emergency Orders Forcing Uneconomic Fossil Fuel Plants to Remain Operational: Trump is keeping uneconomic fossil fuel plants open beyond their planned retirements—driving up electricity costs across the Midwest and South.

⁵ [Trump admin targets blue-state grants meant to ease US... | Canary Media](#)

⁶ <https://rhg.com/research/assessing-the-impacts-of-the-final-one-big-beautiful-bill/>

⁷ [Inflation Reduction Act Repeal Harms State Economies, Raises Consumer Costs • Energy Innovation](#)

⁸ <https://www.irs.gov/statistics/soi-tax-stats-clean-energy-tax-credit-statistics>

⁹ <https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/us-lng-exports-hit-record-high-november-cooler-weather-strong-output-2025-12-01/>

¹⁰ <https://dbrs.morningstar.com/research/461025>

¹¹ [The Tariff-Era Grid: A New Cost Reality for U.S. Regulated Utilities | Morningstar DBRS](#)

¹² [Import tariffs could slow transmission development, drive up utility costs: Morningstar | Utility Dive](#)