

Table 7a. U.S. Electricity Industry Overview

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	2025				2026				2027				Year		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2025	2026	2027
Electricity supply (billion kilowatthours)															
Total utility-scale power supply	1,080	1,064	1,238	1,060	1,090	1,060	1,286	1,081	1,102	1,111	1,328	1,112	4,442	4,518	4,653
Electricity generation (a)	1,075	1,058	1,235	1,062	1,091	1,058	1,280	1,079	1,100	1,107	1,321	1,111	4,430	4,509	4,639
Electric power sector	1,036	1,021	1,195	1,024	1,054	1,020	1,239	1,040	1,061	1,069	1,280	1,071	4,275	4,352	4,482
Industrial sector	35	33	36	35	34	34	36	35	34	34	36	35	138	139	139
Commercial sector	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	4	5	5	5	16	18	19
Net imports	6	6	3	-2	-1	2	6	2	2	3	7	2	12	9	14
Small-scale solar generation (c)															
Residential sector	19	27	27	19	21	31	31	21	23	34	34	23	93	105	114
Commercial sector	13	19	18	13	15	21	21	14	15	23	23	15	63	71	76
Industrial sector	5	7	7	5	6	8	8	6	7	9	9	6	25	28	32
Industrial sector	1	1	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	1	5	6	6
Losses and Unaccounted for (b)	56	67	56	68	64	57	58	68	62	62	61	71	247	247	257
Electricity consumption (billion kilowatthours)															
Total consumption	1,024	997	1,182	992	1,027	1,003	1,228	1,013	1,040	1,048	1,267	1,041	4,195	4,271	4,397
Sales to ultimate customers	990	964	1,146	957	993	969	1,191	978	1,006	1,014	1,230	1,006	4,058	4,132	4,257
Residential sector	389	338	450	338	382	327	465	339	375	337	472	340	1,515	1,512	1,523
Commercial sector	352	363	416	362	361	374	437	374	374	395	458	392	1,493	1,547	1,620
Industrial sector	247	262	278	255	248	267	288	263	256	280	299	272	1,042	1,066	1,107
Transportation sector	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	7	7	7
Direct use (d)	34	33	35	35	33	34	37	35	34	34	37	35	137	139	140
Average residential electricity usage per customer (kWh)	2,689	2,338	3,113	2,339	2,623	2,245	3,190	2,325	2,557	2,300	3,219	2,319	10,479	10,384	10,394
End-of-period fuel inventories held by electric power sector															
Coal (million short tons)	111.7	116.4	105.4	109.5	110.9	126.9	113.5	116.8	125.0	134.2	120.1	121.7	109.5	116.8	121.7
Residual fuel oil (million barrels)	4.8	4.9	4.6	4.4	4.2	4.4	3.7	3.8	4.0	3.9	3.1	3.3	4.4	3.8	3.3
Distillate fuel (million barrels)	16.2	15.9	15.9	16.1	15.3	15.1	15.0	15.3	15.1	15.0	14.9	15.2	16.1	15.3	15.2
Prices															
Power generation fuel costs (dollars per million Btu)															
Coal	2.43	2.48	2.41	2.39	2.42	2.40	2.39	2.38	2.38	2.39	2.38	2.36	2.42	2.39	2.38
Natural gas	5.03	3.39	3.26	4.02	6.57	3.05	3.21	3.71	4.20	3.07	3.28	3.94	3.87	4.06	3.60
Residual fuel oil	16.29	15.22	15.90	15.28	14.47	21.57	20.62	18.48	17.48	17.24	15.98	15.21	15.69	17.82	16.50
Distillate fuel oil	18.59	17.49	18.11	17.79	18.25	29.31	28.49	25.49	24.50	23.20	22.50	21.60	18.11	21.68	23.42
Prices to ultimate customers (cents per kilowatthour)															
Residential sector	16.42	17.46	17.68	17.63	17.83	18.52	18.40	18.15	18.28	18.91	18.75	18.51	17.30	18.23	18.61
Commercial sector	12.98	13.14	13.99	13.44	13.97	13.72	14.31	13.62	14.04	13.71	14.31	13.70	13.41	13.92	13.95
Industrial sector	8.28	8.47	9.15	8.54	8.94	8.59	9.19	8.62	8.97	8.63	9.21	8.61	8.62	8.84	8.86
Wholesale electricity prices (dollars per megawatthour)															
ERCOT North hub	35.72	37.33	41.00	35.25	32.01	33.00	40.98	36.98	37.13	35.74	46.36	38.67	37.33	35.74	39.48
CAISO SP15 zone	26.46	16.85	36.34	34.57	22.07	8.88	26.73	27.03	26.05	18.80	26.17	26.44	28.56	21.18	24.36
ISO-NE Internal hub	108.83	45.85	62.77	84.86	122.34	50.60	63.83	61.15	76.83	42.76	61.91	57.63	75.58	74.48	59.78
NYISO Hudson Valley zone	99.75	48.08	63.99	76.60	131.24	49.58	62.01	62.27	78.25	51.98	62.38	62.92	72.10	76.28	63.88
PJM Western hub	60.16	52.75	61.48	65.97	101.59	61.35	65.97	64.57	76.30	61.15	94.87	66.39	60.09	73.37	74.68
Midcontinent ISO Illinois hub	45.87	41.64	56.56	43.19	54.51	36.84	44.60	42.87	46.51	40.90	45.56	43.36	46.82	44.71	44.08
SPP ISO South hub	38.41	36.01	41.13	36.10	31.87	28.75	38.57	33.09	33.25	32.64	36.73	31.81	37.91	33.07	33.61
SERC index, Into Southern	43.28	40.13	41.66	40.58	54.46	36.16	39.90	39.24	41.41	37.50	41.29	39.54	41.41	42.44	39.94
FRCC index, Florida Reliability	46.10	42.43	44.63	45.24	60.85	42.45	46.99	43.52	43.07	42.50	46.57	43.56	44.60	48.45	43.93
Northwest index, Mid-Columbia	53.72	35.11	53.10	40.34	27.60	20.78	29.51	31.85	31.09	21.32	28.84	31.38	45.57	27.43	28.16
Southwest index, Palo Verde	27.88	23.45	39.11	35.27	23.21	11.81	31.19	28.98	27.08	21.35	30.97	26.71	31.43	23.80	26.53

(a) Generation supplied by utility-scale power plants with capacity of at least one megawatt.

(b) Includes transmission and distribution losses, data collection time-frame differences, and estimation error.

(c) Solar photovoltaic systems smaller than one megawatt such as those installed on rooftops.

(d) Direct use represents commercial and industrial facility use of onsite net electricity generation; and electrical sales or transfers to adjacent or colocated facilities for which revenue information is not available. See Table 7.6 of the EIA Monthly Energy Review.

Notes:

EIA completed modeling and analysis for this report on June 4, 2026.

The approximate break between historical and forecast values is shown with historical data with no shading; estimates and forecasts are shaded gray.

kWh = kilowatthours. Btu = British thermal units.

Prices are not adjusted for inflation.

Sources:

Historical data: Latest data available from EIA databases supporting the following reports: *Electric Power Monthly* and *Electric Power Annual* (electricity supply and consumption, fuel inventories and costs, and retail electricity prices); regional transmission organizations and independent system operators (wholesale electricity prices).

Minor discrepancies with published historical data are due to independent rounding and possible revisions not yet reflected in the STEO.

Forecasts: EIA Short-Term Integrated Forecasting System.