



DTE

Understanding your natural gas pricing

How DTE buys natural gas

DTE works every day to keep your natural gas reliable and bills as low as possible. We do this by buying natural gas up to three years before you need it, often in summer when demand is low, to secure abundant supply and lock in the best prices. We store the gas in underground reservoirs until you need it. Plus, we don't mark up the cost of natural gas – what you pay is what we paid.

Charges on your bill

The **Gas Cost Recovery** charge is the actual price we paid for the gas you used – with no markup.

The **Customer Charge** supports the billing, customer service and meter reading costs to support your account. This charge appears even if you don't use much gas, like in the summer.

The **Gas Distribution Charge** supports the people and systems that deliver natural gas to your business. This charge goes up as you use more natural gas.

The **Reservation Charge** helps reserve space on the interstate pipeline so gas is always available for you, even in extreme temperatures.

The **IRM Surcharge** helps us replace older service lines with newer pipes to ensure ongoing safe and reliable service to your business.

Options for you

DTE provides multiple billing and payment programs to meet your business needs, including AutoPay, BudgetWise Billing®, eBill Paperless Billing, and Flexible Due Date. Learn more at dteenergy.com/businessbilling.



Natural gas customers in Michigan have the option to choose who supplies their natural gas through the **Gas Customer Choice program**. If you enroll with an alternative gas supplier, you will still pay for your natural gas through your DTE bill. For more information, visit dteenergy.com/gaschoice.

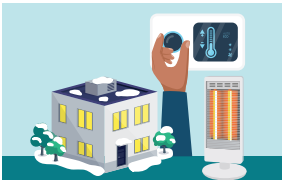
Explore energy efficiency tips and resources that will help your business save energy and more at dteenergy.com/savenow.

Natural Gas Balance is an easy, affordable way to balance the environmental impact of natural gas use. You can address up to 100% of an average household's natural gas emissions when you enroll. Learn more and join today at dteenergy.com/naturalgasbalance.

Factors that impact your bill

Did you know? Cold winter temperatures will increase your business's energy usage and your bill. Think about how the factors below could impact your monthly energy costs and plan ahead to manage your energy usage.

Get your winter guide at dteenergy.com/heatingseason.



More Energy Usage

The primary factor that impacts your monthly energy bill is usage. In the winter, both your natural gas and electricity usage rise due to cold temperatures.



Extreme Fluctuations in Temperature

Big drops in temperature make your furnace work harder to keep your business comfortable.



Behavior Changes

Colder and shorter days means your team spends more time indoors, uses more lights and adjusts the thermostat to stay comfortable.



Type of Building

The age, layout, build material, size and appliances of your business impact your energy usage.



Natural gas rate information

We are committed to providing safe, reliable and affordable energy. DTE is regulated by the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC). Our rates can only change when approved by the Commission.

DTE offers multiple rates, including non-residential general rates, multi-family dwelling service rates and a school rate. DTE also offers end-use transportation rates that do not include the supply of natural gas. DTE is available to help you determine the most appropriate rate for you, if you're eligible for service under more than one rate. To see the details of each natural gas rate approved by the MPSC, go to dteenergy.com/pricing or contact us to request more information at dteenergy.com/contactus.

In September 2026, the MPSC approved a new gas rate for business customers, which will go into effect on **October 1, 2026**. The order, and an explanation of changes, is available at dteenergy.com/billinserts and at DTE offices.

Want more help?

Learn more about natural gas pricing at dteenergy.com/pricing.

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