

Press release

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2022 tariffs

Only a modest increase in electricity bills for Romande Energie customers amid general spike in energy prices

Regulated power tariffs applicable from 1 January 2022 will include a higher distribution fee. The price of energy will be unchanged. In a welcome development for self-generators, Romande Energie will be increasing the purchase price of renewable energy fed into the grid. Power price plans will also continue promoting the use of regionally sourced energy.

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Grid usage fees will rise in 2022 in response to the higher transmission charge paid to the VHV grid operator, Swissgrid, and costs arising from the installation of smart meters under the impetus of the Swiss government's Energy Strategy 2050.

However, the **energy** price component will be unchanged despite the current increase in market rates.

Consequently, **2022 tariffs (grid usage + energy) are set to increase by between 0.9% and 1.2%**, relative to 2021, for Romande Energie and Bas-Valais Energie household customers and small businesses.

For detailed information on prices for 2022, see <http://www.romande-energie.ch/tarifs2022> (in French only).

Customers wishing to estimate their bills based on their place of residence will be able to use an online simulator from early September.

Promotion of self-generation

As part of ongoing efforts to promote the use of renewable energies, Romande Energie will increase its feed-in tariff from 8.16 cts/kWh to 9.5 cts/kWh for installations with an output capacity of up to 100 kVA.

Price plans supporting regional energy sourcing

Intent on supporting the generation of solar and hydropower in Western Switzerland, Romande Energie will again be offering two price plans:

- ENERGIE SUISSE: 100% hydropower and 100% Swiss
 - ENERGIE ROMANDE (+1.5 ct/kWh): 50% hydro/50% solar, 100% sourced in Western Switzerland
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The price of electricity consists of the following:

- Cost of energy (measured in kilowatt hours)
- Grid usage fee, covering distribution
- Taxes and duties charged by the Confederation (including federal renewable energy tax), cantons and municipalities

There are three components to the grid usage fee:

- Regional distribution, within the remit of Romande Energie
- The VHV national grid, within the remit of Swissgrid SA
- Balancing power (system services), within the remit of Swissgrid SA

Price components that depend directly on Romande Energie (energy costs and the regional grid charge) together account for slightly over 75% of the average consumer electricity bill.

The remaining 25% represents the national VHV transmission fee, balancing power, and taxes and duties. These are collected by Romande Energie on behalf of Swissgrid SA, the Confederation, cantons or municipalities.

This press release concerns customers supplied through Romande Energie's regional power grid. Customers supplied by partner companies of Romande Energie Commerce (a supply company, affiliated with SIE SA, Forces Motrices de l'Avançon and the municipal utilities of Pully, Paudex and Belmont-sur-Lausanne) have the same power tariff but pay a different regional grid fee. For information on these tariffs, please refer to the integrated tariffs by visiting www.romande-energie.ch/tarifs2022 (in French only).

* Feed-in power is energy injected into the power grid by independent producers.

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Romande Energie at a glance

Romande Energie Group is the leading supplier of electricity in Western Switzerland and a mainstay in the Swiss energy industry. It offers several sustainable solutions for the distribution and generation of electricity in addition to energy services, which include energy efficiency and electromobility.

All its generation assets are driven by renewable sources of energy. Additionally, it is working hand in hand with customers, investors and employees to provide ever-better standards of living through innovative services and a commitment to corporate social responsibility. Romande Energie is dedicated, day in day out, to offering high-grade services and security of supply, just as customers expect, as well as supporting them in transitioning to more sustainable forms of energy and reducing carbon intensity across Western Switzerland.

For more information on Romande Energie Group, visit

www.romande-energie.ch