

## Watertown Utility Rates

vs.

## Other SD Cities

One of our goals at Watertown Municipal Utilities is to deliver value through electric, water and gas supply management. We strive to maintain utility rates that rank in the lowest third in Eastern South Dakota.

How do Watertown Municipal Utility rates compare with other Eastern South Dakota Cities? During a 2009 rate comparison, Watertown Municipal Utilities costs were compared to other cities in Eastern South Dakota. The results of the comparison indicated Watertown's rates are among the lowest in the state. A graph comparing Watertown rates with other Eastern South Dakota Cities is on the other side of this page.

Watertown Municipal Utilities electric and gas rates are nearly one-half the national average\*.

Revenues from utilities go toward operating expenses, financing capital improvements and paying for infrastructure improvements. Our current water rates are in place for design and construction of a new water plant and well field. Our transfer to the City of Watertown helps support public safety and other improvement programs in the community.

If you have questions on your utility bill or on Watertown's rates, please call the Watertown Municipal Utilities at (605) 882-6233.

\*Energy Information Administration.

## Tips for Saving Energy This Winter

To increase your energy savings, there are simple and inexpensive steps you can take to ensure maximum savings through the winter.

### Adjust the Thermostat

Save 1% on your heating bill for every degree you turn your thermostat down.

### Cover Drafty Windows

Install tight-fitting insulating drapes or shades on windows that feel drafty after weatherizing.

### Find and Seal Leaks

Seal the air leaks around recessed lights in insulated ceilings and unfinished spaces behind cupboards and closets.

### Maintain Your Heating System

Replace your furnace filter once a month or as needed.

### Take Advantage of the Sun

Open curtains on your south-facing windows during the day to allow sunlight to naturally heat your home. Close them at night to reduce the chill you may feel from cold windows.

### Close Unoccupied Rooms

Close rooms that are not being used and shut the vents to those rooms.

### Adjust your thermostat and your energy bill at the same time.

For additional information on energy saving, go to [www.energysavers.gov](http://www.energysavers.gov)

## Utility Rate Comparison

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