

## Energy that works for Colorado

**We know electricity is essential in your life, so we use a diverse mix of sources to produce it, giving you affordable and reliable energy with less environmental impact.**

We proactively pursue emission-reduction strategies and offer clean energy options that support the environment and help us serve our customers and communities. Fossil fuels are required to integrate and ensure reliability of renewable resources.

We will complete a multiyear project in 2017 that retrofits coal plants with modern emission controls and retires three aging, less efficient coal plants in the metro Denver area. We are replacing these plants with cleaner natural gas plants that operate more efficiently with renewable resources.

**Wind power.** We've been the nation's No. 1 utility wind power provider for 12 years running (as ranked by the American Wind Energy Association). Last year we received approval to build, own and operate one of Colorado's largest wind farms. The Rush Creek Wind project will be constructed on the state's eastern plains and will deliver low-cost energy, infusing \$1 billion into the region's economy.

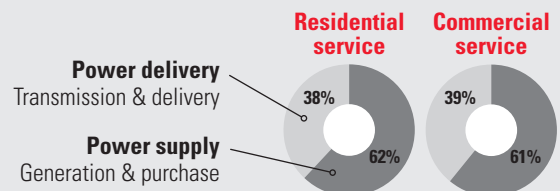
**Solar energy.** When it comes to solar energy, our customers have different needs and interests. That's why we offer a range of solutions, including private solar, community solar and large-scale, universal solar—plus a new choice that will allow customers to purchase up to 100 percent solar power for their home or business.

**Best value.** Energy from coal, natural gas, wind, solar and other sources helps us keep your electricity reliable and safe, and a good value. You can do more, too, by choosing energy efficient appliances, conserving your electricity use or participating in Windsource® or our solar energy programs. Go to [xcelenergy.com](http://xcelenergy.com) to find out more about our programs and how we're putting it all to work for you.

**Power delivery:** Includes specific labor associated with transmission and distribution facilities, metering, billing, customer service, allocated overheads, taxes and a profit component.

**Power supply:** Costs include all purchased power and energy source costs. For generation plants owned by Xcel Energy, power supply costs also include labor at generation plants, depreciation of generation plants, allocated overhead, taxes and a profit component.

**Price components**—Percentage components for an average monthly electric bill:

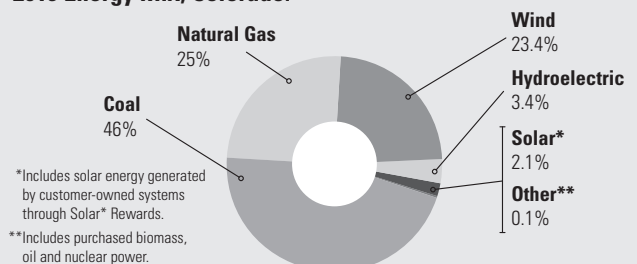


**Example:** If your residential bill for this month is \$69.01 then 62% (or \$42.96 of your bill) is for the electricity itself, and the remaining 38% (or \$26.05), would cover the cost of having the electricity delivered to your home.

**Note:** Price component information applies to the average customer and may differ when applied to individual customers. Additional information is available upon request.

**Power supply mix**—Our Colorado energy mix includes coal, natural gas, wind, solar and hydroelectric power. Energy sources used in power generation and purchase for all energy customers in the 2016 calendar year:

### 2016 Energy Mix, Colorado:



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