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Our Most Essential Resource

Water Rate Increase – 5.55%

Greater Cincinnati Water Works (GCWW) has been in the forefront of water treatment technology for many years. Maintaining state-of-the-art treatment is crucial to providing customers with the highest quality drinking water.

Your water bills pay to keep your tap water safe, reliable and available whenever you need it.

The safety of the water you drink has always been our highest priority. Water quality is constantly monitored, treatment processes

adjusted, and new technologies implemented, to maintain the highest standards. The water main repair and replacement program keeps a plentiful supply of water flowing to customer's homes, businesses and the fire hydrants that guard them.

On January 1, 2026, 5.55% water rate increase went into effect for Greater Cincinnati Water Works customers. While no one wants to see rates go up, GCWW has been able to keep water rates among the lowest in the region (See page 2).

The Cost of Your Water

Commercial and industrial customers can estimate their monthly water bill by utilizing Tables 1 and 2. The water cost is calculated based upon the size of your meter (Water Service Charges) and the amount of water you use (Water Commodity Charges).

For example, beginning January 1, 2026, a large commercial or industrial user located in the city with a 3" meter, using 450 CCF per month (336,600 gallons) would pay a monthly service charge of \$100.21. The water commodity or usage charge would be \$1,397.50 (\$3.86 times 20 CCF + \$3.25 times 430 CCF) per month. The total monthly water bill would be \$1,574.91, with the annual cost totaling \$18,898.92, or about \$51.78 per day. For small commercial establishments with a meter size of less than three inches, please see the "Residential 2026 Water Rate Information" to calculate your estimated monthly water bill.

Please note that the rates in these tables apply to water only, and that the 2026 rate change does not affect any other utility charges that appear separately on the customers' bill. The water service charges in Table 1 include the fire hydrant maintenance fee for customers inside Cincinnati.

Table 1. Water Service Charges Per Month for Commercial Use

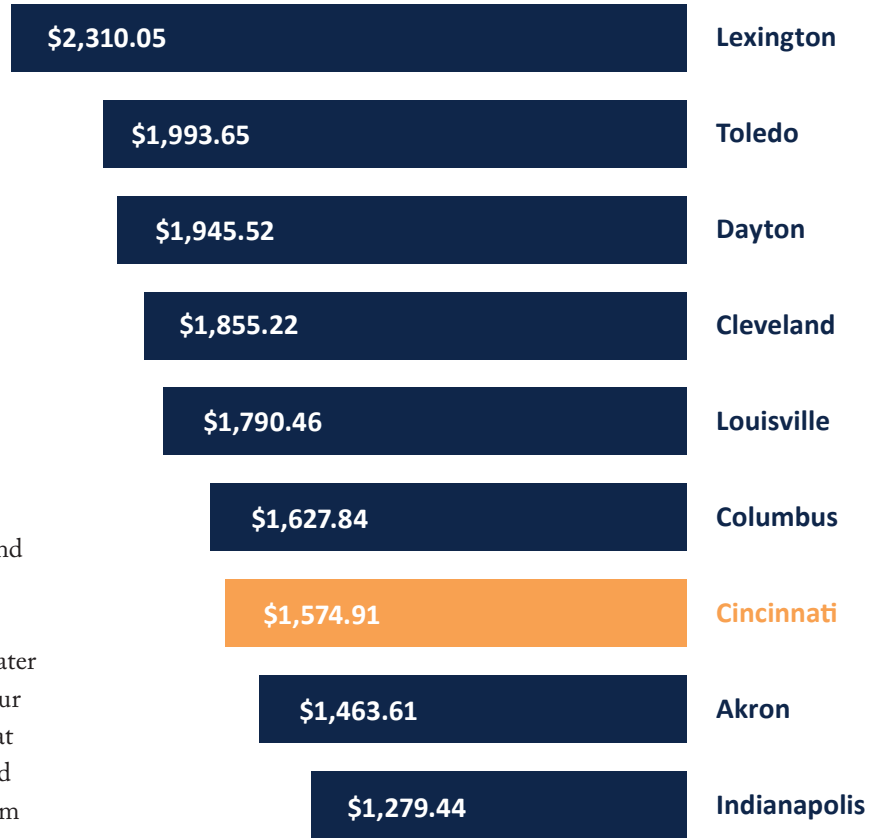
SERVICE AREAS	AMOUNT PAID MONTHLY EVEN IF NO WATER USED/METER SIZE				
	3"	4"	6"	10"	12"
Inside Cincinnati	\$100.21	\$188.82	\$378.42	\$771.30	\$918.47
Incorporated Hamilton & Clermont Counties	\$109.50	\$209.78	\$420.50	\$859.11	\$1,027.31
Unincorporated Hamilton County	\$116.51	\$223.20	\$653.31	\$914.10	\$1,093.06
Butler & Warren County	\$125.93	\$241.25	\$483.58	\$987.98	\$1,181.41

Table 2. Commercial Water Commodity Charges Per Month

SERVICE AREAS	WATER USE IN CCF'S		
	FIRST 20	NEXT 580	OVER 600
Inside Cincinnati	\$3.86	\$3.25	\$2.90
Incorporated Hamilton & Clermont Counties	\$4.83	\$4.06	\$3.63
Unincorporated Hamilton County	\$5.13	\$4.32	\$3.86
Butler & Warren County	\$5.55	\$4.67	\$4.17



Monthly Equivalent Water Costs for the Average Commercial Customer



We're Still Lower & Safer!

As you can see from the chart on the right, GCWW cost reduction efforts have kept the cost for large commercial and industrial customers to among the lowest in the region.

Before the water comes to your tap, Greater Cincinnati Water Works takes many steps to ensure its quality and safety. Our priority is safe drinking water. GCWW is proud to say that our water meets or exceeds every health standard developed by both the USEPA and Ohio EPS. On average we perform 600 tests a day, while treating and providing an average of 122 million gallons of the highest quality drinking water to more than 1.1 million people in parts of Hamilton, Butler, Warren and Clermont Counties in Ohio and Boone County in Kentucky.

Water Utility/Cost per Month 450 CCF

*Includes fire hydrant fee. Rate effective January 1, 2026.



Need help calculating your charges? Want to learn more about your rates or Greater Cincinnati Water Works?

We're here to help!

Please visit www.myGCWW.org or call Customer Service at (513) 591-7700.

Office hours are 7:30am – 4:30pm, Monday through Friday.



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