



# What is the California Climate Credit?

## A Message from the California Public Utilities Commission

Your September\* 2021 utility bill will include an electric credit identified as the “California Climate Credit.” Your household and millions of others throughout the state will receive this credit on your utility bills. In the past years, the electric credit was applied in April and October, and the gas credit was applied in April. For 2021, the California Public Utilities Commission authorized SDG&E to temporarily shift the electric credit to be applied in August and September. Changing the distribution months will not change the total value of the climate credits you receive in a year. The shift will provide bill relief for customers – during the typically hottest months of the year – and reduce bill volatility. The gas credit will continue to be applied in April. In 2022, the climate credit will be distributed back to its original timing of April and October unless the Commission directs otherwise.

2021	APR	AUG	SEP
<b>Gas</b> CA Climate Credit	\$17.86		
<b>Electric</b> CA Climate Credit		\$34.60	\$34.60

The California Climate Credit is part of California’s efforts to fight climate change. This credit is from a state program that requires power plants, natural gas providers, and other large industries that emit greenhouse gases to buy carbon pollution permits. The credit on your bill is your share of the payments from the State’s program.

The California Climate Credit is one way Californians are working toward a zero-carbon state. Find other ideas for energy- and money-saving upgrades for your home while reducing your carbon footprint at [energyupgradeca.org/the-movement](http://energyupgradeca.org/the-movement).

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For more information about the Climate Credit, visit [www.cpuc.ca.gov/climatecredit/](http://www.cpuc.ca.gov/climatecredit/).  
For more information about climate change science and programs to reduce carbon pollution, visit [www.climatechange.ca.gov](http://www.climatechange.ca.gov).

*\*Billing periods vary by utility and may not always coincide with a calendar month. If you don't see a Climate Credit in the bill that arrives this month, it will appear in the bill you receive next month. If you are an electric customer, the electric credit will appear as a line item on the electric portion of your bill during the months of distribution. If you are a gas customer, the gas credit will appear as a line item on the gas portion of your bill during the months of distribution. If you receive both electric and gas service, you will see the electric and gas credits on the respective portions of your utility bill during the months of distribution.*

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