

HIGHLY RELIABLE, AFFORDABLE UTILITIES

The greater Wichita region's world-class utility providers offer high quality, reliable services at low costs — in fact, below national averages, making this area a prime location for keeping operating costs equally low. Throughout the region, electricity services are provided by Evergy, and natural gas providers include both Kansas Gas Service and Black Hills Energy.

Electricity Service | Evergy

Generation Mix

Coal	47%
Natural Gas and Oil	7%
Nuclear	18%
Renewables (wind, solar and landfill gas)	28%
Available Generation Capacity	About 16,981 Megawatts

Commercial and industrial electricity rates vary based on energy consumption, peak demand, load factor and service requirements. Evergy offers rate structures for businesses of different sizes, with additional economic development incentives available to qualifying new and expanding businesses. Specific rate estimates are determined by individual operating needs and applicable utility tariffs.

Sources: Evergy 2025 Annual Report (Form 10-K), published February 2026. Generation mix reflects electricity generated by owned resources and delivered through renewable power purchase agreements. Evergy, Commercial and Industrial Rate Information and Economic Development Rider Program (2026).





Natural Gas Service | Kansas Gas Service and Black Hills Energy

Kansas offers competitive natural gas options for commercial and industrial operations. According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, the state's average industrial natural gas price was $4.29 per thousand cubic feet in 2024. Large-volume customers may purchase natural gas from third-party suppliers while using local utility infrastructure for delivery. Published transportation charges range from approximately $0.09 to $0.18 per therm, depending on the utility and service classification. Actual costs vary based on consumption, service requirements, monthly charges and applicable surcharges.

Water Service | Wichita Water and Sewer

Principal Sources: Cheney Reservoir and Equus Beds Aquifer
Reserves: Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Program is expected to extend reserves to 2050

Water Plant

Maximum Capacity	160 mgd
Average Consumption	54.6 mgd
Peak Demand	118 mgd
Storage Capacity	50 mg

Sewer Plant

Preliminary/Primary/Secondary (trickling filter and activated sludge / UV disinfection)
Capacity

Capacity	54.4 mgd*
Average daily flow	36.9 mgd*

(*mgd - million gallons per day)

Water Rate Summary

Retail Volume Charge (per 1,000 gallons.) AWC – Average Winter Consumption

Inside City Limits

Through to 110% AWC.	$3.83
111% through 310% AWC / Fire.	$13.36
Above 310% AWC.	$19.55

Outside City Limits

Through to 110% AWC.	$6.14
111% through 310% AWC / Fire.	$21.40
Above 310% AWC.	$31.31

Note: Using well water and/or impounded runoff water for grounds maintenance could help maintain fairly level demand and lower rates. However, using runoff water in this manner has no bearing on the Storm Water Utility fee (see below – applies inside Wichita city limits only.)
Source: City of Wichita, 2026 Water Rates Ordinance, effective Jan. 1–Dec. 31, 2026

Monthly Meter Charge - Varies by line diameter

12" Water Line (Inside City)	$320.45
12" Water Line (Outside City)	$512.99

Sewer Rate Summary

Assumption – No extra-strength (pollutant) charges
Volume Charge (per 1,000 gallons of metered water consumption)

Inside City Limits	$4.94
Outside City Limits	$7.91

Monthly Meter Charge - Varies by water meter size

12" Water Line (Inside City)	$676.58
12" Water Line (Outside City)	$1,082.52

Source: City of Wichita, 2026 Sewer Rates Ordinance.

Fire Protection

Wichita's fire water system is separate and isolated from the domestic water system. Charges are based on availability (not usage.) Charge varies by line diameter.

Fire Protection — Flat Monthly Charges

12" Fire Line (Inside City)	$102.75 / month
12" Fire Line (Outside City)	$164.40/ month

ISO Fire Protection Class



Inside Wichita City Limit	Class 1
Other Sedgwick County Cities*	Class 2 or 4
Rural Sedgwick County*	Class 4, 10W or 10

*Sedgwick County Fire District 1 classifications. Other municipalities may have separate ratings. Wichita's Class 1 rating was confirmed by the city in February 2026.
Source: City of Wichita, 2026 Water Rates Ordinance, Section I.B, effective Jan. 1–Dec. 31, 2026.

Many communities and counties throughout the greater Wichita region provide their own water, wastewater and fire protection services. Rates, service capacities and fire protection classifications vary by location.

- Find information about available Incentives & Financing.
- Connect to Evergy, Black Hills Energy or Kansas Gas Service.



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We invite you to connect with the Greater Wichita Partnership for all of the information and resources available to companies choosing to locate or expand in Greater Wichita.

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