



Transmission Network Use of System (TNUoS) changes are changing from April 2026.

The charges, which fund the UK's high-voltage electricity transmission network, are set to increase over the next five years. Here is a summary of what is changing, why, and how it affects you.

What is TNUoS?

The Transmission Network Use of System (TNUoS) charge is a regulated cost applied to electricity bills to recover the expense of operating, maintaining, and upgrading Great Britain's high-voltage transmission network. Managed by the National Electricity System Operator (NESO), this network ensures electricity flows from generation sites to regional distribution systems.

Why are TNUoS charges changing?

TNUoS charges are reviewed for periods of up to five years using what is known as a RIIO (Revenue = Incentives + Innovation + Outputs) model. The next period for this, known as RIIO-3, starts in April 2026, and will cover the period up to March 2031.

In the RIIO-3 review, Ofgem has set some significant increases to TNUoS charges, which will be passed through to consumer bills.

How much are TNUoS charges increasing?

TNUoS charges depend on several factors, including usage class, location and consumption during peak periods. More information on how these charges are changing has been published by NESO: <https://www.neso.energy/document/376336/download>

Why are charges increasing

These increases are largely driven by changes to how and where the UK generates much of its energy, and the difficulties in connecting those generation assets to the UK grid.

For example, a growing proportion of the UK's renewable energy is now generated either offshore or in a larger number of smaller, more remote locations where grid connections are more difficult to establish and maintain. This adds complexity to the grid and investment is required to meet these challenges.

Greater levels of electrification are also a factor, putting more strain on the grid, as is historic under-investment in the existing grid infrastructure.

Where can I find out more?

More information can be found at:

NESO: <https://www.neso.energy/industry-information/charging/tuos-charges#Latest-news-and-updates>