

Appendix B Water Rate Structures

Municipality (Water Provider)	Rate Structure Type	Fixed Monthly Service Charge	Consumption Rate: Unit Rate per 1,000 Gallons of Water Consumed ⁽¹⁾
Albuquerque ⁽²⁾	Seasonal and Increasing Block Rate (three blocks)	\$11.41	Nov. - March: \$1.64 (flat) April - Oct: \$1.64 - up to 300% WQA \$2.83 - over 300% WQA \$3.82 - over 400% WQA
Big Bend Water District (SNWA)	Increasing Block Rate (two blocks)	\$7.10	\$2.70 - up to 15,000 \$3.38 - over 15,000
Boulder City (SNWA)	Increasing Block Rate (three blocks)	\$7.50	\$1.37 - up to 60,000 \$1.73 - 60,001 to 550,000 \$1.98 - over 550,000
Henderson (SNWA)	Increasing Block Rate (four blocks)	\$7.45	\$1.46 - up to 6,000 \$1.90 - 6,001 to 16,000 \$2.47 - 16,001 to 30,000 \$3.46 - over 30,000
Irvine Ranch ⁽³⁾	Increasing Block Rate (five blocks)	\$7.50	\$0.82 - up to 40% of allocation \$0.98 - 41-100% \$1.96 - 101-150% \$3.92 - 151-200% \$7.84 - over 200%
LVVWD (SNWA)	Increasing Block Rate (four blocks)	\$4.04	\$1.10- up to 5,000 \$1.89 - 5,001 to 10,000 \$2.62 - 10,001 to 20,000 \$3.48 - over 20,000
North Las Vegas (SNWA)	Increasing Block Rate (four blocks)	\$7.50	\$1.37- up to 6,000 \$1.78 - 6,000 to 15,000 \$2.31 - 15,000 to 24,000 \$3.00 - over 24,000
Seattle	Seasonal and Increasing Block Rate (three blocks)	\$8.05	Sept. 16 - May 15th: \$3.38 May 16th - Sept. 15th: \$3.85 - up to 3,740 \$4.48 - 3,741 to 13,464 \$11.43 - over 13,464
Tucson	Increasing Block Rate (four blocks)	\$5.42	\$1.56 - up to 11,220 \$5.47 - 11,221 to 23,188 \$7.17- 23,189 to 33,660 \$10.03 - over 33,660

Notes:

LVVWD: Las Vegas Valley Water District

SNWA: Southern Nevada Water Authority

WQA: Winter Quarter Average

Water rates often vary by the size of the meter. Rates for Tucson and LVVWD are based on charges for 5/8" meter because most homes in the area are equipped by meters of this size. Rates for the other agencies are based on 3/4" meter.

(1) Agencies measure water use in a variety of ways. All volumetric measures have been converted to gallons to maintain consistency.

(2) Albuquerque's fixed service fee includes a base rate (\$7.83), and a Strategy Implementation Fee (\$3.58) totaling to \$11.41 per residential account per month. The city of Albuquerque applies "Seasonal Surcharges" that result in a seasonal rate structure with inclining block rates during summer months. In 2005, the winter quarter average (WQA) for most single-family accounts was 5,236 gallons; this is charged at the base rate of \$1.64 per thousand gallons. The higher blocks are determined based on the WQA.

(3) Allotments for single family residential customers are based on lot size. The 2006 Irvine Ranch average customer allotment was 13,464 gallons.

