

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.

