

Austin Energy Financial Forecast FY 2024 to FY 2028

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Austin Energy Forecast Fund Summary

Fund Summary (Millions of \$)	Budget FY 2023	CYE FY 2023	Forecast FY 2024	Forecast FY 2025	Forecast FY 2026 ⁽¹⁾	Forecast FY 2027	Forecast FY 2028
Beginning Fund Balance	\$261.0	\$235.1	\$238.6	\$238.4	\$238.4	\$239.2	\$240.0
Revenues & Transfers In ⁽²⁾	\$1,688.3	\$1,691.3	\$1,638.6	\$1,678.7	\$1,751.3	\$1,817.5	\$1,873.8
Expenditures & Transfers Out	\$1,696.6	\$1,687.8	\$1,638.8	\$1,678.7	\$1,750.5	\$1,816.7	\$1,873.3
Change in Fund Balance	(\$8.4)	\$3.5	(\$0.2)	\$0.0	\$0.8	\$0.8	\$0.4
Ending Fund Balance	\$252.7	\$238.6	\$238.4	\$238.4	\$239.2	\$240.0	\$240.4
Average Residential Bill	\$108.71	\$108.71	\$108.71	\$108.71	\$111.40	\$111.40	\$111.40
Base Rate Increase %	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	5%	0.0%	0.0%
FTEs	1,897	1,897	1,897	1,897	1,897	1,897	1,897



(1) Forecast assumes a 5% increase in base rates to improve key financial metrics.

Forecast assumes pass-through rates are set equal to expenses in accordance with GASB 62.

Austin Energy Forecast CIP Summary

Millions of \$	CYE FY 2023	Forecast FY 2024	Forecast FY 2025	Forecast FY 2026	Forecast FY 2027	Forecast FY 2028	Total 2024-2028
Distribution	\$106.6	\$106.4	\$98.5	\$93.3	\$93.4	\$93.5	\$485.1
Distribution Substation	12.5	15.4	15.8	16.5	8.9	14.4	71.0
Transmission ⁽¹⁾	42.9	56.9	81.4	84.2	80.7	46.3	349.5
Electric Service Delivery	\$162.0	\$178.7	\$195.7	\$194.0	\$183.0	\$154.2	\$905.6
Power Production	15.2	20.3	17.3	8.5	9.1	7.7	62.9
Joint Projects	11.9	9.6	12.5	16.2	10.7	13.4	62.4
District Cooling (1)	13.5	18.7	17.7	7.4	1.5	0.0	45.3
General	41.1	35.4	64.2	1.7	1.2	1.2	103.7
Total	\$243.7	\$262.7	\$307.4	\$227.9	\$205.5	\$176.4	\$1,179.9

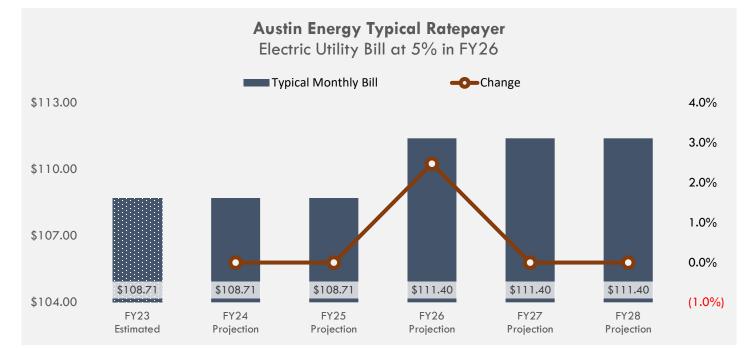


(1) Capital expenditures for Transmission and District Cooling are not recovered in retail electric rates.



Typical Ratepayer Impact with 5% Base Rate Increase

In FY 2022-23, a residential customer within city of Austin limits using 860 kWh per month (the typical ratepayer) is billed \$108.71 monthly. Over the five-year forecast, Austin Energy's energy sales in kilowatt-hours (kWh) are projected to grow an average of 1% per year, while customer growth is projected to grow by 2% per year. To meet growing cost drivers, a 5% increase to the base rate is projected in FY 2025-26, which translates to a 2.5% overall bill impact to the typical ratepayer. These cost drivers include operating and maintenance expenses, debt service, investment in capital improvements, and transfers to other funds.





Key Metrics with 5% Base Rate Increase in FY 2026⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

Forecasted Key Financial Metrics Summary

	Minimum or Target	Forecast FY 2023	Forecast FY 2024	Forecast FY 2025	Forecast FY 2026 ⁽³⁾	Forecast FY 2027	Forecast FY 2028
Operating Margin	10%	9%	12%	12%	14%	14%	13%
Net Income (Millions of \$)	> \$0	\$15.6	\$26.0	\$19.7	\$30.0	\$42.8	\$16.9
Quick Ratio	> 1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.4
Days Cash on Hand	150 Days	148 Days	146 Days	145 Days	148 Days	151 Days	146 Days
Debt Service Coverage	> 2.0	2.2	2.2	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.1
Debt to Capital	< 50%	55%	54%	55%	54%	54%	53%



- Forecast includes the December 2022 approved increase in residential Customer Charge and offsetting decrease in energy rates.
-) Forecast assumes pass-through rates are set equal to expenses in accordance with GASB 62.
-) Forecast assumes a 5% increase in base rates in FY 2026 to improve key financial metrics.

Key Metrics with Annual 2% Base Rate Increase Starting FY 2025 ^{(1) (2)}

Forecasted Key Financial Metrics Summary

	Minimum or Target	Forecast FY 2023	Forecast FY 2024	Forecast FY 2025 ⁽³⁾	Forecast FY 2026	Forecast FY 2027	Forecast FY 2028
Operating Margin	10%	9%	12%	13%	14%	15%	14%
Net Income (Millions of \$)	> \$0	\$15.6	\$26.0	\$33.0	\$23.1	\$51.0	\$40.8
Quick Ratio	> 1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5
Days Cash on Hand	150 Days	148 Days	146 Days	148 Days	150 Days	155 Days	155 Days
Debt Service Coverage	> 2.0	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.2	2.2
Debt to Capital	< 50%	55%	54%	54%	54%	53%	52%

Numbers shown in green represent an improvement in the key metric from the 5% Base Rate increase in FY 2026 forecast.



- Forecast includes the December 2022 approved increase in residential Customer Charge and offsetting decrease in energy rates.
- Forecast assumes pass-through rates are set equal to expenses in accordance with GASB 62.
-) Forecast assumes an annual 2% increase in base rates beginning in FY 2025 to improve key financial metrics.



Forecasted Key Financial Metrics Summary

	Minimum or Target	Forecast FY 2023	Forecast FY 2024	Forecast FY 2025	Forecast FY 2026	Forecast FY 2027	Forecast FY 2028
Operating Margin	10%	9%	12%	12%	12%	13%	11%
Net Income (Millions of \$)	> \$0	\$15.6	\$26.0	\$19.7	(\$5.8)	\$7.5	(\$17.0)
Quick Ratio	> 1.5	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3
Days Cash on Hand	150 Days	148 Days	146 Days	145 Days	140 Days	133 Days	120 Days
Debt Service Coverage	> 2.0	2.2	2.2	2.0	1.9	2.0	1.9
Debt to Capital	< 50%	55%	54%	55%	55%	54%	54%



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