

FACT SHEET

Sydney, Hunter and Central Coast Water Prices from July 2012

Based on Sydney Water Corporation Determination and Final Report June 2012, Hunter Water Corporation Determination and Final Report July 2009, Gosford City Council and Wyong Shire Council Determination and Final Report May 2009, and Country Energy (Water) Determination and Final Report June 2010

From July 2012

IPART aims to be transparent and provide information to stakeholders. As part of this information provision, we are publishing an annual fact sheet on Metro Water Prices.

This fact sheet summarises water prices for Sydney Water, Hunter Water, Gosford City Council, Wyong Shire Council, and Essential Energy (Broken Hill) customers commencing on 1 July 2012 (Tables 1 and 2). We also provide examples of annual bills for residential (Table 3) and non-residential customers (Tables 4 to 8).

IPART has deferred by one year its investigation into new prices that Essential Energy can charge for water and sewerage services it provides to Broken Hill, Menindee, Sunset Strip and Silverton. Prices will increase on 1 July 2012 and then remain unchanged until new prices take effect from 1 July 2014.

Table 1 Summary

	Sydney Water	Hunter Water^l	Gosford City Council	Wyong Shire Council	Essential Energy^m (Broken Hill)
Water service charge ^a	135.12	18.92 ^g	99.28	167.35	253.66
Water service charge for multi premises with a common meter (Sydney Water only) ^b	71.12	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Water usage charge \$ per kL	2.13	2.08 ^h	2.12	2.12	1.67
Sewer service charge ^c	555.08 ^d	555.23 ^{i,j}	534.83	463.44	496.79
Stormwater drainage charge - residential	49.08 ^f	86.42	82.52	89.77	n/a
Stormwater drainage charge - non-residential	127.74 ^e	86.42 ^k	82.52	89.77	n/a

a These water service charges apply to individually metered residential properties and non-residential properties with a 20mm meter (excluding residential multi-premises with a common meter). For non-residential properties with a meter size larger than 20mm, a higher charge will apply.

b This is a separate water service charge for Sydney Water residential multi-premises with a common meter.

c The sewerage service charges apply to residential properties and non-residential properties with a 20mm meter. For non-residential properties with a meter size larger than 20mm, a higher charge will apply.

d Sewerage usage charge of \$1.40 per kL applies to non-residential customers for discharge in excess of 450kL. This threshold will decrease by 50kL in each subsequent billing year until it reaches 150kL. Eg, The threshold will be 400kL in 2013/14, 350kL in 2014/15, and 300kL in 2015/16.

e From July 2013 the Sydney Water non-residential stormwater drainage charge will vary according to the property size.

f Including vacant land.

g Excluding Dungog. For Dungog the water service charge is \$69.55 p.a. Includes an adjustment for Tillegra Dam.

h Applies to filtered water usage <50,000kL. The water usage charge for unfiltered water <50,000kL pa is \$1.60 per kL.

i Including Dungog. The sewerage service charge for non-residential properties with a 20mm meter is \$1,110.46 p.a. For non-residential properties with a meter size larger than 20mm, a higher charge will apply.

j Clarence Town customers incur the Clarence Town sewer charge of \$116.02 p.a. This is in addition to the standard Hunter Water sewer service charge.

k The service charge applies to small non-residential <1000m². For non-residential properties larger than 1,000m² a higher charge will apply.

l Hunter Water's water service charge includes an adjustment of \$26.30 p.a. (reduction) to reflect a rebate for capital works not undertaken by Hunter Water in comparison to those previously outlined in the Hunter Water Determination and Final Report July 2009.

m Essential Energy was formerly known as Country Energy.

Table 2 Sydney Water Rouse Hill customers

	\$ per annum
Recycled water usage charge (\$ per kL)	1.70
Stormwater drainage charge ^a	130.64
Additional stormwater drainage charge for new Rouse Hill properties ^b	969.21

^a Applies to properties with land size < 1,000m².

^b The total drainage bill for a new Rouse Hill property is the sum of the standard stormwater drainage charge and the additional stormwater drainage charge for new Rouse Hill properties. For the billing year commencing July 2012 this amount is \$1099.85.

Source: IPART modelling.

Table 3 Annual bills for individually metered residential properties (\$ per annum)

	Sydney Water	Hunter Water	Gosford City Council	Wyong Shire Council	Essential Energy Broken Hill
Water and sewerage	1,117	990	1,058	1055	1,084
Water, sewerage and stormwater	1,166	1,077	1141	1,145	n/a

Note: The annual bills are based on 200 kL usage per annum.

Source: IPART modelling.

Table 4 Sydney Water – Annual bills for individually metered non-residential properties (\$ per annum)

Water usage (kL per annum)	Meter size	Water and sewerage	Water, sewerage and stormwater
300	20mm	1,329	1,457
1,000	32mm	4,176	4,304
10,000	80mm	41,909	42,037

Note: The discharge factor is assumed to be 79%.

Source: IPART modelling.

Table 5 Hunter Water – Annual bills for individually metered non-residential properties (\$ per annum)

Water usage (kL per annum)	Meter size	Water and sewerage	Water, sewerage and stormwater
300	20mm	1,430	1,586
1,000	32mm	4,236	4,392
10,000	80mm	35,783	35,939

Note: The discharge factor is assumed to be 60%.

Source: IPART modelling.

Table 6 Gosford City Council – Annual bills for individually metered non-residential properties (\$ per annum)

Water usage (kL per annum)	Meter size	Water and sewerage	Water, sewerage and stormwater
300	20mm	1,440	1,523
1,000	32mm	4,312	4,395
10,000	80mm	38,716	38,799

Note: The discharge factor is assumed to be 90%.

Source: IPART modelling.

Table 7 Wyong Shire Council – Annual bills for individually metered non-residential properties (\$ per annum)

Water usage (kL per annum)	Meter size	Water and sewerage	Water, sewerage and stormwater
300	20mm	1,267	1,357
1,000	32mm	3,554	3,784
10,000	80mm	32,655	34,091

Note: The discharge factor is assumed to be 80%.

Source: IPART modelling.

Table 8 Essential Energy (Broken Hill customers) – Annual bills for individually metered non-residential properties with treated water

Water usage (kL per annum)	Meter size	Water and sewerage
300	20mm	1,640
1,000	32mm	4,815
10,000	80mm	40,056

Note: The discharge factor is assumed to be 83%.

Source: IPART modelling.