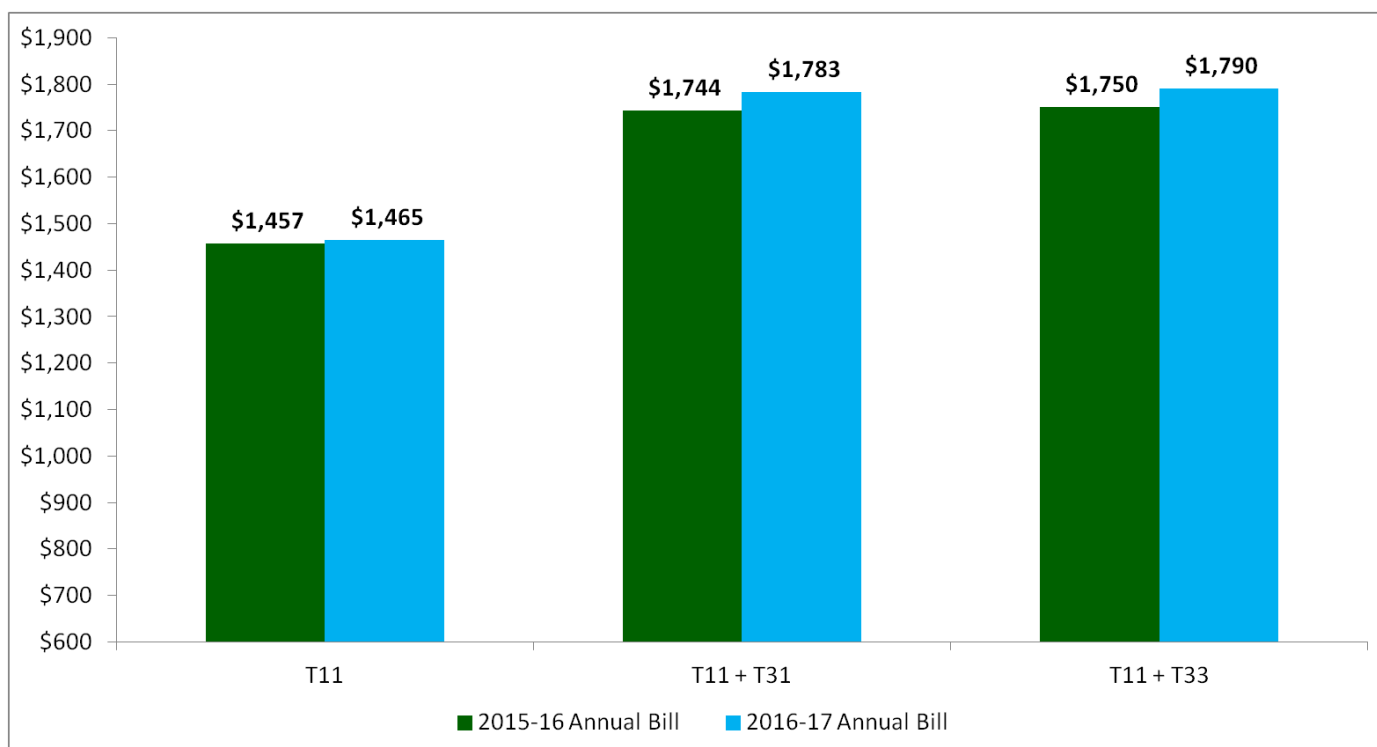


## FACT SHEET - draft determination on residential regulated electricity prices for regional Queensland in 2016-17

The QCA has released its draft determination on the regulated electricity prices to apply in regional Queensland for 2016 - 17. The annual electricity bill for a typical customer on the main residential tariff (tariff 11) is expected to increase by 0.6 per cent. For a typical customer on a combination of tariffs 11 and 31 or tariffs 11 and 33, the expected increase will be slightly higher at 2.3 per cent. However, the impact on individual customers will vary depending on their consumption. Customers with lower consumption than the typical customer are facing decreases or smaller increases while higher consumption customers face larger increases.

### Annual bills for typical residential customers (GST inclusive)



We encourage stakeholders to make submissions on the draft determination as we will take into account any issues raised in submissions made by 20 April 2016. More information on how to make a submission is available on our website, [www.qca.org.au](http://www.qca.org.au). Our final determination will be published by 31 May 2016.

### Why is the electricity bill for a typical customer expected to increase?

The increase in typical tariff 11 customer bills is primarily due to higher energy costs. Our consultant, ACIL Allen, advised that the rise in energy costs is driven largely by increasing demand from liquefied natural gas plants, and higher Renewable Energy Target costs. Some of the impact of higher energy costs has been offset by a decrease in network costs.

### Will the prices change between the draft and the final determination?

The forecasts in the draft determination are based on the most up-to-date information. However it is highly likely that there will be changes in the expected costs of supply between this determination and the final determination, which is to be released by 31 May 2016.

### Do these prices apply to south east Queensland customers?

No, electricity prices will be deregulated in south east Queensland from 1 July 2016.