



## USEFUL RESOURCES FOR SAVING MONEY ON YOUR POWER BILL

**Wellington Electricity (we\*) is the local electricity distributor managing the poles, wires and equipment that safely deliver electricity to over 400,000 customers across Wellington, Porirua and the Hutt Valley.**

The cost of managing our network typically makes up around 25% of your power bill, as well as approximately 10% for transmission costs charged by Transpower (the National Grid owner and operator). Other costs for things like electricity generation, metering and retail are added on by your electricity retailer, plus GST at 15%.



There are lots of ways you can pay less for power. Visit our Smarter Power portal to find out how. [welectricity.co.nz/smarterpower](http://welectricity.co.nz/smarterpower)

Our Smarter Power portal uses information from the following sources, which provide further savings tips along with guidance on how to keep your home warm and dry:

 **EnergyMate** [www.energymate.nz](http://www.energymate.nz)

A pilot scheme from the Electricity Retailers' Association of NZ (ERANZ) supported by we\*, providing useful advice and practical support.



**www.raisethestandard.nz**  
Also see [www.tenancy.govt.nz/healthy-homes](http://www.tenancy.govt.nz/healthy-homes)

A Tenancy Services resource for boarding houses which includes plenty of general healthy homes advice.

**GEN LESS** [www.genless.govt.nz](http://www.genless.govt.nz)

An EECA government agency dedicated to helping New Zealanders use less energy, with tips on how to make your home warm, dry and healthier.



**www.homefit.org.nz**

The *HomeFit Online Check* is a self-assessment tool for landlords, homeowners and renters to find out how they can improve their home's warmth and dryness.

**Well Homes** [www.rph.org.nz/public-health-topics/housing-well-homes](http://www.rph.org.nz/public-health-topics/housing-well-homes)

A housing coordination service from Te Whatu Ora – Health New Zealand for the Wellington region which delivers one of the Ministry of Health's Healthy Homes Initiatives. You can apply online for help.



**www.smarterhomes.org.nz**

A resource from the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) providing practical advice for the building industry, including energy saving tips.



[www.health.govt.nz/your-health/healthy-living/warmer-drier-homes](http://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/healthy-living/warmer-drier-homes)

Resources and videos in multiple languages, helping whānau keep warm and dry homes.



**www.sustaintrust.org.nz/healthy-homes**

Get advice about heating and insulation or book a free Home Energy Assessment if you live in Wellington City Council's area. Homeowners outside of Wellington City can still book a free Warm, Dry, Home Assessment.

**consumer.** [www.consumer.org.nz/topics/renters-guide-to-a-warmer-home](http://www.consumer.org.nz/topics/renters-guide-to-a-warmer-home)

Consumer NZ's *A renter's guide to a warmer home* provides advice on what you can do to make your home warmer and cheaper to heat.

 **Eco Design Advisor** [www.ecodesignadvisor.org.nz](http://www.ecodesignadvisor.org.nz)

Get information on keeping your home warm and dry, or book a free Hutt City Council (HCC) EDA appointment at [www.huttcity.govt.nz/ecovisit](http://www.huttcity.govt.nz/ecovisit) if you live in HCC's area.

**POWERSWITCH**  
by consumer. [www.powerswitch.org.nz](http://www.powerswitch.org.nz)

A free and independent energy price comparison website from Consumer NZ.

### Curtain banks

The Citizens Advice Bureau has details of organisations who offer free curtains to low income households.

