

NY State and National Comparable Water Rates

		Monthly	Quarterly	Annual
**National Average		\$38.67	\$116.00	\$464.00
Keene NY		\$35.30	\$105.89	\$423.56
Ithac NY		\$48.92	\$146.76	\$587.04
*NY State Average		\$50.81	\$152.43	\$609.72
FWWC Rate request		\$48.37	\$145.10	\$580.39

*Information below from Office of the New York State Comptroller

Cost to the Consumer

The cost of water for the consumer varies considerably. (See Figure 8.) For most of the major water systems, the typical cost for a residential customer using 12,000 gallons per month is between \$30 and \$60. The most expensive of the major water providers with a typical cost of over \$110 a month is Suez Water (also known as United Water), a private water company that supplies much of Rockland County. New York American Water in Nassau County, the second highest cost major water system at about \$93 a month, is also a private water system. At the other extreme, the Town of Hempstead Water Department provides water to its residents at a typical cost of only about \$20 each month (system expenses may also be funded with assessments).

Figure 8:

Largest Water System Operators in New York State, 2016

System	Service Area	Population Served	Water Source	Typical Monthly Water Cost*	Notes
New York City Water System	New York City	8,271,000	Surface (Catskills/ Delaware and Croton Watersheds)	\$61.12	
Suffolk County Water Authority	Suffolk County	1,100,000	Ground	\$29.22	
Monroe County Water Authority	Suburban Monroe County and Parts of Surrounding Counties	496,753	Surface (Lake Ontario, Hemlock Lake)	\$40.38	
Erie County Water Authority	Suburban Erie County	480,939	Surface (Lake Erie, Niagara River)	\$38.04	Operates 15 Systems
Suez Water (United Water)	Parts of Rockland and Westchester Counties.	471,028	Ground and Surface (Lake DeForest)	\$111.85	Private Water Company - 3 Systems
New York American Water	Parts of Nassau County	422,540	Ground	\$92.71	Private Water Company - 4 Systems
Onondaga County Water Authority	Suburban Onondaga County and Parts of Surrounding Counties	300,000	Surface (Lake Ontario, Otisco and Skaneateles Lakes)	\$42.89	
Buffalo Water Authority	City of Buffalo	276,000	Surface (Lake Erie)	\$48.19	
Rochester City	City of Rochester	214,000	Surface (Hemlock and Canadice Lakes)	\$50.00	
Yonkers City	City of Yonkers	196,086	Surface (Purchased from NYC System)	\$79.16	
Syracuse City	City of Syracuse	192,000	Surface (Skaneateles Lake)	\$46.68	
Mohawk Valley Water Authority	Parts of Herkimer and Oneida Counties	130,000	Surface (Hinckley Reservoir)	\$61.08	
Water Authority of Western Nassau	Part of Nassau County	120,000	Ground	\$48.67	
Town of Hempstead Water Department	Part of Nassau County	110,000	Ground	\$20.18	
Albany City	City of Albany	101,082	Surface (Alcove Reservoir)	\$42.83	
Source: Safe Drinking Water Information System, United States Environmental Protection Agency, https://www3.epa.gov/enviro/facts/sdwis/search.html .					
* Cost for residential customer using 12,000 gallons per month. Calculated by OSC based on information from each water system for the latest available year. Municipal water systems may also be funded with ad valorem or benefit assessments.					
				\$ 813.00	
				*Average	
				\$ 50.81	

**National Water rate Information from Water Bill online collection firm DOXO:

11,243 Water & Sewer Companies are followed by doxo users in the USA.

161 are national companies

11,082 are regional companies

\$116 avg. bill payment made to Water & Sewer companies in the USA