

Net Home Energy Costs in Ontario: Regional and Income Distribution

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Following the recent report of the FAO on energy consumption, I asked Finance and Energy to provide case examples showing the total aggregate benefits of all of Ontario's support for electricity. Like the restructured Ontario Student Grant, when you add all the relief up, low income seniors and families get significant benefits. We need a better way to tell this story. The document also shows where there is relatively higher costs for homeowners.

Here is the [confidential draft](#) report. I attached one of the case examples -- the net benefits for low-income seniors.

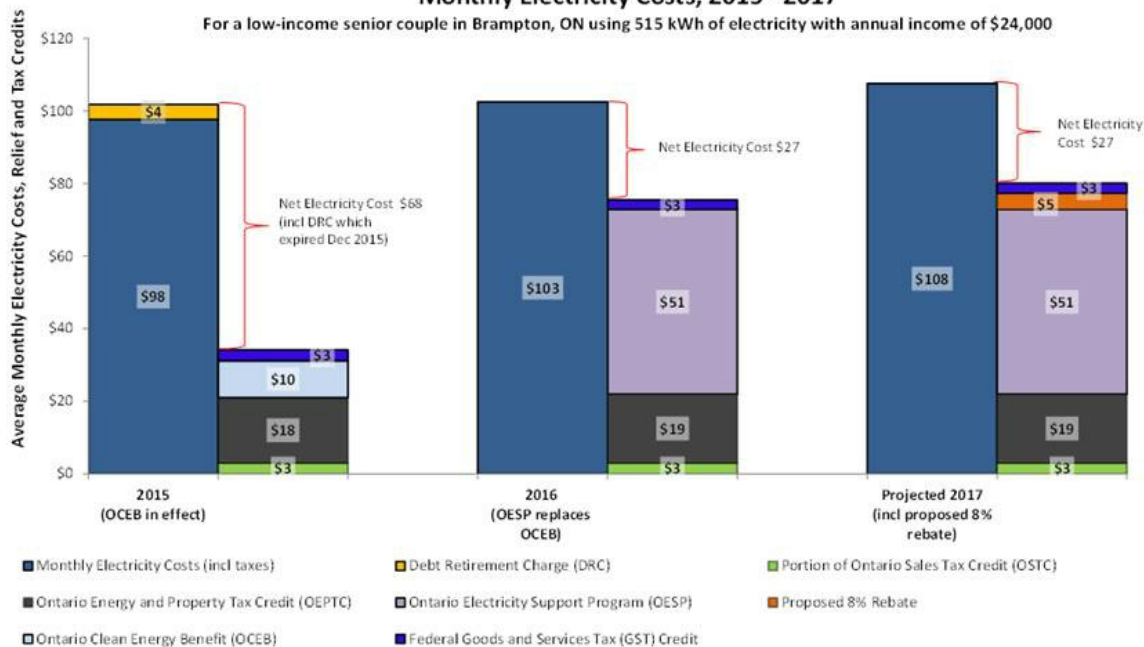
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Vulnerable Low-Income Seniors are Well Supported

Case Example 2: Impact of Electricity Relief and Tax Credits on Monthly Electricity Costs, 2015 - 2017

For a low-income senior couple in Brampton, ON using 515 kWh of electricity with annual income of \$24,000



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Hi

Here is a draft of the analysis you requested.

Password to follow.

Thanks
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Can we ask Energy and Finance redo the FAO analysis with all the electricity/energy supports netted off?

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Attached is the latest commentary re. Energy from the FAO.

The key takeaways are the following:

- Households in Northern Ontario spend more on average than residents in other regions. Residents of Toronto and Hamilton-Niagara have the lowest spending.
- Household home energy spending in Ontario rises with income, but is a greater burden for lower income households. In 2014 households in the bottom **20% of the income distribution spent on average 5.9% of** income on home energy, while those in the top **20% spent only 1.7%** of their much larger incomes.

Thanks
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