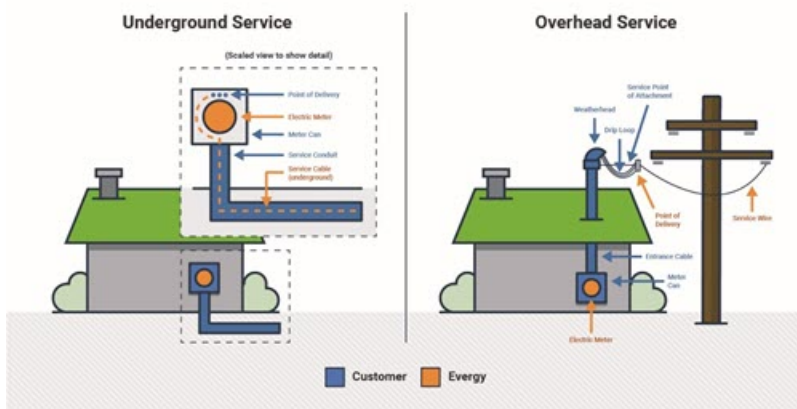


Evergy Restores 90% of Customers Impacted by Storms



Power has been restored to more than 90% of customers who were impacted overnight Sunday, May 19, by the severe storms that moved through Kansas and into Missouri, some bringing 100 mph winds. Over the course of the storm, more than 106,000 Evergy customers lost power. As of 4:30 p.m. Monday, about 13,000 customers remained out.

By mid-day Monday more than 1,600 personnel were in the field working on stages of power restoration. Evergy crews began restoring power Sunday as soon as it was safe to do so. In addition to local crews, Evergy crews from other communities, contractors and crews from Liberty Utilities have joined to assist with the restoration work Monday. To clear extensive tree damage, 175 vegetation crews have been working in storm-struck areas to help remove limbs and debris so that line crews can repair outages.

For customers who are still without power, most communities will be fully restored by Tuesday evening. In the communities where storms caused the most damage -- Hutchinson, Newton, areas of Johnson County (Prairie Village, Shawnee, Overland Park), and North Kansas City (Parkville, Weatherby Lake, Gladstone, Riverside) -- some customers may be without power until Wednesday evening. Crews will continue to work until everyone's power is back on.

In some instances, trees or other storm damage has caused the equipment that houses the electric meter to pull away from the home or business, creating an unsafe condition. The home or business owner will need a licensed electrician to make repairs before power can safely be restored.

<https://www.evergy.com/outages/understanding-outages>

Customers are reminded to prioritize safety.

- Stay at least 35 feet away from downed power lines or limbs on lines. Do not try to remove tree limbs or brush from downed lines or anywhere near power lines. Assume that any downed line is energized. If you have an emergency, please call 911.
- Keep your phone charged if possible. Follow updates from local authorities and from Evergy for restoration times and safety advice.
- Customers can also track outages online through the [Evergy Outage Map](#).
- Customers can also call Evergy. Kansas residents served by Evergy Kansas Central can call **800-LIGHT KS (800-544-4857)**. Customers in the Kansas City metro area and Missouri can call **888-LIGHT-KC (888-544-4852)**.

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