




# Natural Gas Matters

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## Natural Gas: America's Fuel

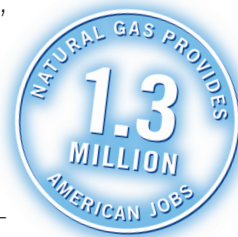
Can you name a home energy fuel that's affordable, efficient, abundant and produced right here in the United States? You guessed it – natural gas! Those blue flames that cook your food, heat your home, warm your water and more are an abundant, efficient product of North America.


 **AFFORDABLE** – Households that use natural gas for heating, cooking and clothes drying can spend an average of \$840 less per year than homes using electricity for those appliances. Over the past four years, natural gas customers have seen savings of almost \$69 billion due to low domestic natural gas prices.



 **ABUNDANT** – At the end of 2014, the United States' estimated future supply of natural gas was enough to meet America's diverse energy needs for more than 100 years. Such an abundant supply can satisfy significant new demand at affordable prices well into the future.

 **DOMESTIC** – The natural gas that will meet our needs for decades to come is produced right at home in the United States, the world's largest producer of natural gas. And while natural gas is fueling your home, it's also supporting our economy by directly and indirectly providing jobs for more than 1.3 million Americans in all 50 states.



 **EFFICIENT** – From source to site, natural gas is the most efficient fuel for your home. Ninety-two percent of natural gas is delivered to your home as energy, compared with only 32 percent for electricity. That means that less energy is wasted in the production and transportation to your home – that's good for you and the environment.

To discover even more benefits of natural gas, visit the **"Save Energy & Money"** tab of our website at [www.oklahomanaturalgas.com](http://www.oklahomanaturalgas.com).

Source: American Gas Association

**DIGGING SAFETY STARTS WITH YOU** – Do you have a few outdoor projects on your to-do list? Remember to always call 811 at least two full business days before starting any digging project. From building a deck to planting a tree, every excavation project requires a call to 811.



One phone call to 811 from wherever you are will route you to Okie 811, which will alert owners of pipelines, telecommunication cables and power lines to mark their buried assets within two business days of the request. This is a free service.

# Rate Plan Reminder

Oklahoma Natural Gas offers rate plan options A and B for residential and certain nonresidential customers:

**PLAN A** includes a lower monthly service charge coupled with a delivery fee based on the amount of Dekatherms\* consumed and is designed for:

- Residential customers with less than 50 Dekatherms of natural gas usage per year.
- Nonresidential customers with less than 40 Dekatherms of natural gas usage per year.

**PLAN B** includes a higher monthly service charge but does not include a delivery fee and is designed for:

- Residential customers with 50 Dekatherms of natural gas usage or more a year.
- Nonresidential customers with 40 Dekatherms or more of natural gas usage per year but less than 150 Dekatherms per year.

As a Plan A or B customer, you have the option to select the plan that you believe will best suit your needs. These plans include a monthly service charge and only affect what Oklahoma Natural Gas charges you for service and the delivery of natural gas.

The cost of fuel – the natural gas you consume – is separate and is based on the amount Oklahoma Natural Gas paid to buy the gas on your behalf. The company makes no profit on the cost-of-fuel component of your bill.

Large commercial and industrial customers also have rates designed for their usage:

- For usage from 150 Dekatherms but less than 5,000 Dekatherms per year
- For usage from 5,000 Dekatherms but less than or equal to 30,000 Dekatherms per year

Confirm that you are on the right plan. Details about all rate plans (including specific service and delivery charges) are available in the Rate Information and Tariffs section at [www.oklahomanaturalgas.com](http://www.oklahomanaturalgas.com).

**For more information, call Oklahoma Natural Gas at 1-800-208-7267.**

\*A Dekatherm (Dth) is a measure of energy content. One Dekatherm is the approximate energy content of 1,000 cubic feet of natural gas.

## Honey Barbecue Chicken Drumsticks

### Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup butter or margarine
- 1 medium onion, diced (about 1 cup)
- 1 cup ketchup
- 1/3 cup water
- 1/4 cup honey
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 16 chicken drumsticks

### Directions:

1. Prepare sauce. Melt butter in small saucepan over medium natural gas flame; add onion, and sauté 4 to 5 minutes. Stir in remaining ingredients and bring to a boil. Reduce heat, and simmer uncovered for 5 minutes.
2. Coat food grate with cooking spray; place on natural gas grill over medium-high heat.
3. Place chicken on grill, covered, and cook for 5 to 10 minutes on each side.
4. Reduce heat to low, cover and grill 30 to 40 minutes or until done.
5. Brush with 1 cup Honey Barbecue Sauce during last 10 minutes of grilling. Serve with remaining 1 cup sauce.

Recipe adapted from [www.myrecipes.com](http://www.myrecipes.com).



**HEATING-SYSTEM CHECKUP REBATE DISCONTINUED** – Please note, as of July 1, 2016, our \$30 heating-system checkup rebate, offered through the Oklahoma Natural Gas Energy-Efficiency Program, has been discontinued. To learn more about our Energy-Efficiency Program, visit [www.oklahomanaturalgas.com/rebates](http://www.oklahomanaturalgas.com/rebates).