How to read a smart meter

Smart meters measure your electricity use and power-quality indicators including voltage. They cycle through six different screens.



ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION

When 'O1' appears in the top left corner, the meter is showing your total electricity consumption since the meter was installed—measured in kilowatt hours. A kilowatt hour is a unit of electrical consumption equal to the amount of electricity needed to burn ten 100-watt light bulbs for one hour.



ELECTRICITY GENERATION

When 'O2' appears in the top left corner, the meter is showing the net amount of electricity generated at your home or business if you have small generating units such as solar panels. Visit bchydro.com/netmetering for details.



LCD SCREEN CHECK

When "888888" appears across the screen, the meter is performing an LCD screen check—showing that all segments of the screen are functioning correctly.







OTHER SCREENS

Other screens provide us with configuration, synchronization and system registration status information.

