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Dubbo residents are paying significantly more for their electricity than people in other parts of the State, according to figures released by Switch Select.

In a statement, SwitchSelect claimed the average family of two adults and two children using 7500 kilowatts in Dubbo was paying \$1592.14 per year.

That is in comparison to the same usage costing a family in Darlinghurst \$1218.63 and in Canberra \$1252.96.

But Dubbo wasn't the dearest city named on the list, with those living in South Australian cities Port Adelaide and Mount Gambier each forking out \$1729.52 each year.

The *Daily Liberal* contacted Country Energy to seek an explanation for the variation in prices, however, at the time of going to print no response had been forthcoming.

But Leon Hayes, co-founder of *switchselect.com* said where possible people should look at their electricity supplier and search for

alternatives.

"With hundreds of thousands of Australians hurting badly under mortgage stress, the fact is people want the best deal for their money," Mr Hayes said.

"We estimate that a family of two adults and two kids could potentially save at least \$150 a year on its power bills by shopping around to get a better deal.

"Obviously we are making the industry change because people can really see what's happening and make their own decision as to who they want to have as their electricity or gas supplier."

Since launching the service, hundreds of consumers have benefited through the *switchselect.com* service.

"We're here to stay and our whole purpose is to show people there is cheaper power out there," Mr Hayes said.

"At a time when consumer confidence is dropping rapidly and petrol prices are skyrocketing, it's vital that people shop around."