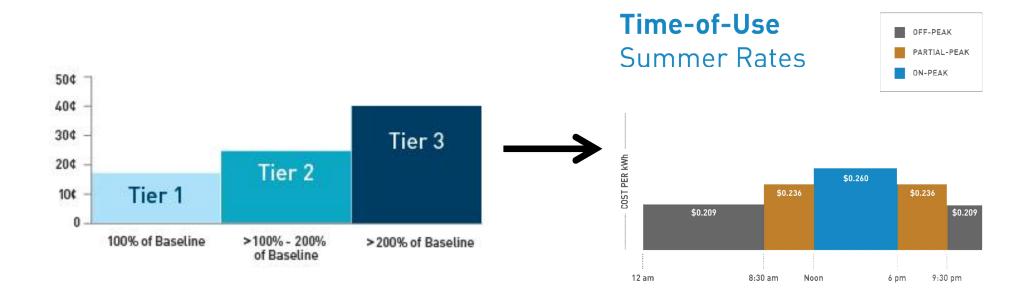
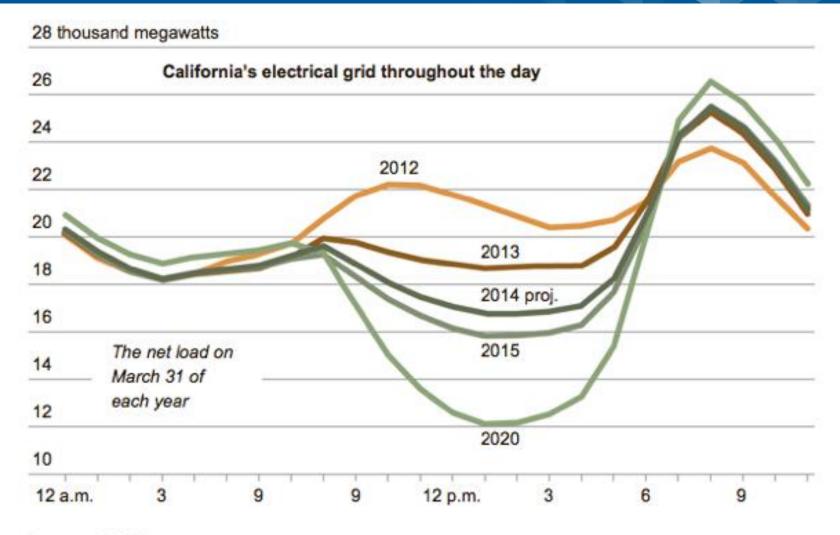


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Research Design

- Sample made up of 223 single family homes with at least 2 years of 15 minute interval consumption (no solar, not on EV TOU rates)
- SDG&E current DR, DR-SES, and TOU-DR rates modeled as base rate cases
- Solar PV system production modeled using PV watts with system sized to 80% of annual consumption
- No money down solar lease with a monthly payment of \$25/kW



Research Questions

- How will a household's electric bill change under the new rate structure(s)?
- How will the bill changes affect the value proposition for other energy saving measures (e.g. home retrofits or smart appliances)?
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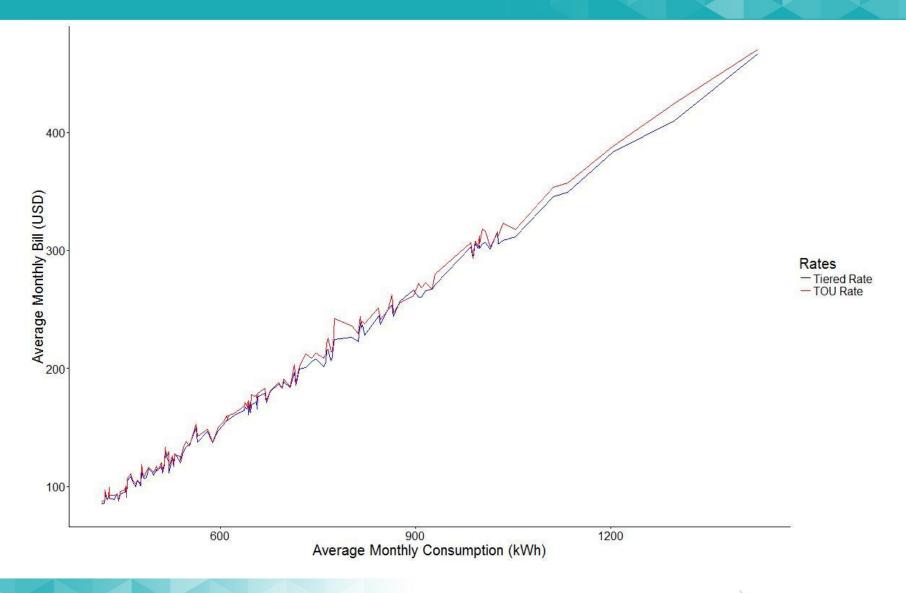


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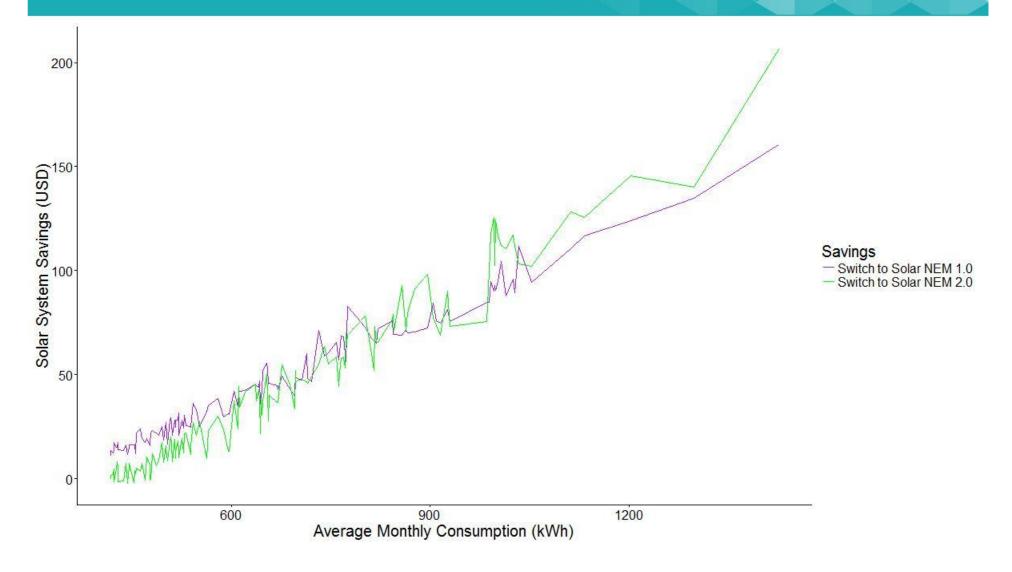


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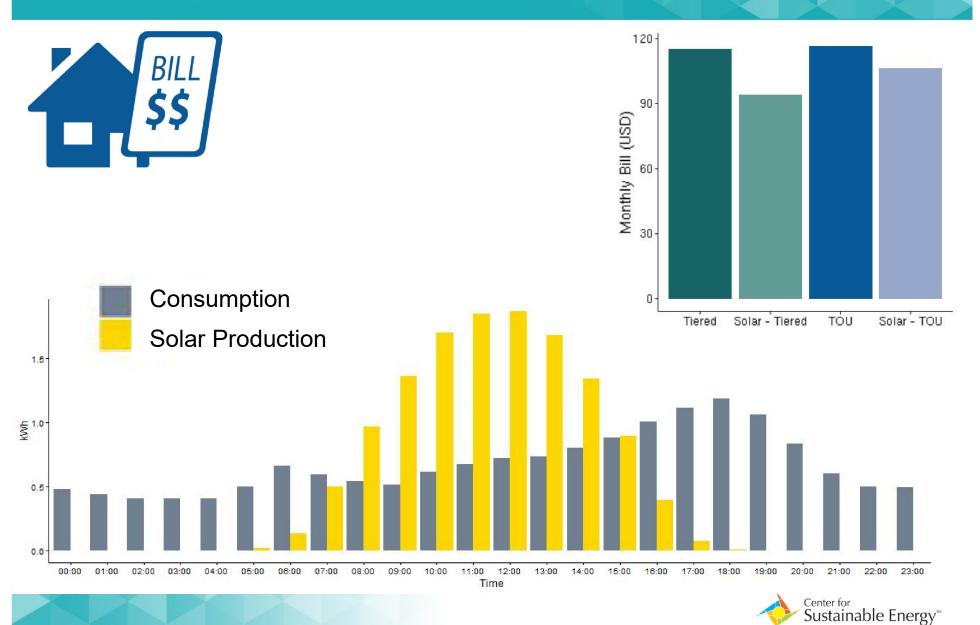


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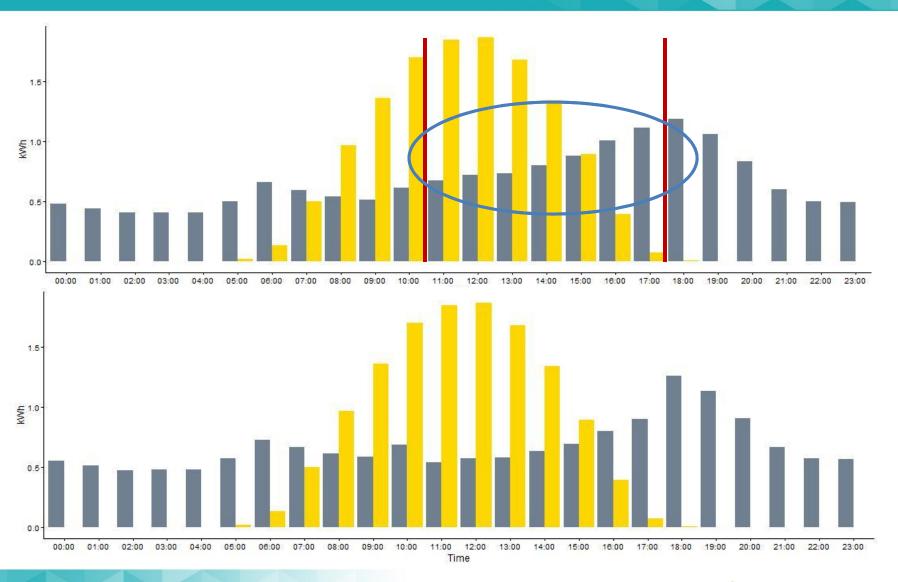




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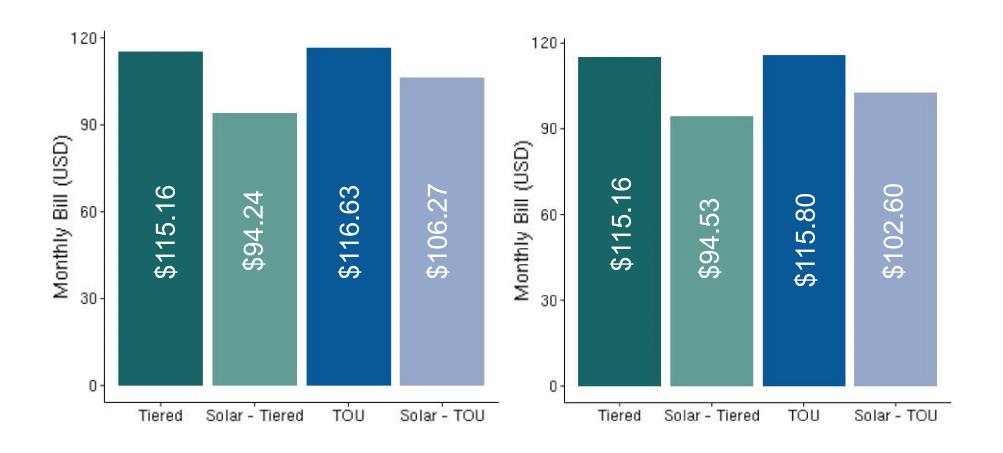


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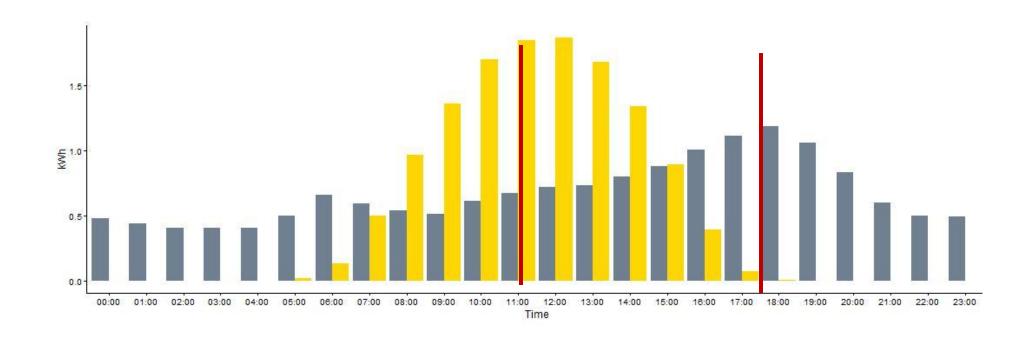


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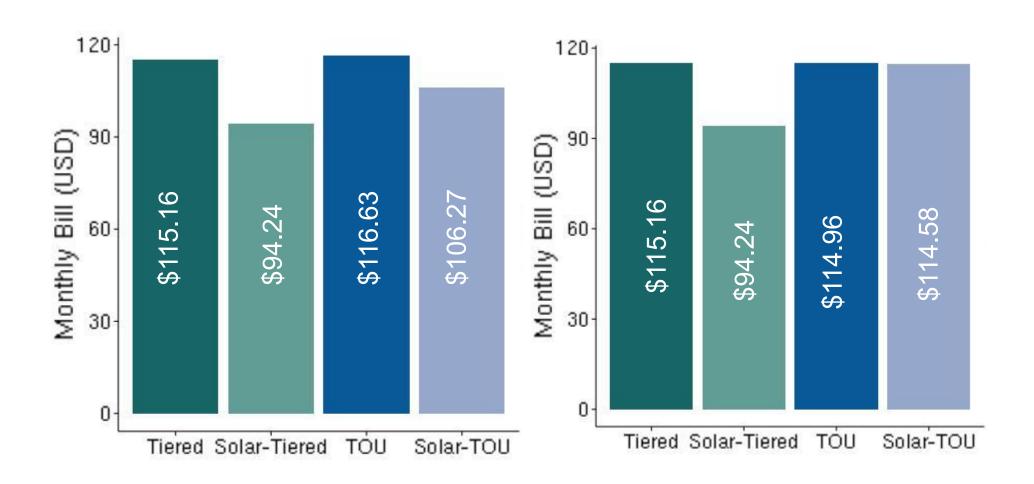


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Conclusions and Next Steps

- TOU rates will change the value proposition for residential solar. A more detailed exploration of how these rates will change the value proposition for solar with storage or load shifting technologies is needed.
- The magnitude of these price changes for an individual consumer are important to consider when designing programs and incentives to encourage adoption of new technologies and behaviors.
- How to communicate these changes to consumers?





