

Lobby Group: CA Energy & Utilities
PG&E Sempra, Edison

Lobby Expenses 2023-2025
2023

PG&E

- Spent a total of \$4,790,000 in lobbying expenditures
- Number of Lobbyists: 21
- Number of revolvers: 12 (57.14%)

Sempra

- Spent a total of \$2,745,000 in lobbying expenditures
- Number of Lobbyists: 26
- Number of revolvers: 21 (80.77%)

Edison

- Spent a total of \$2,040,000 in lobbying expenditures.
- Number of Lobbyists: 22.
- Number of revolvers: 18 → 81.82%.

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2024

PG&E

- Spent a total of \$5,040,000 in lobbying expenditures
- Number of Lobbyists: 20
- Number of revolvers: 12 (60%)

Sempra

- Spent a total of \$4,980,000 in lobbying expenditures

- Number of Lobbyists: 22
- Number of revolvers: 17 (77.27%)

Edison

- Spent a total of \$2,090,000 in lobbying expenditures
- Number of Lobbyists: 23
- Number of revolvers: 18 → 78.26%

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2025

PG&E

- Has spent 3,070,000 in lobbying expenditures so far
- Number of Lobbyists: 15
- Number of revolvers: 9 (60%)

<https://www.opensecrets.org/federal-lobbying/clients/summary?cycle=2025&id=D000000290>

Sempra

- Spent a total of \$1,830,000 in lobbying expenditures so far
- Number of Lobbyists: 23
- Number of revolvers: 16 (69.57%)

Edison

- Has spent \$1,110,000 in lobbying expenditures so far
- Number of Lobbyists: 21
- Number of revolvers: 15 → 71.43%

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General positions on economic, social, and environmental issues (as applicable)

PG&E

PG&E's economic focus is on maintaining financial stability while investing in grid safety and modernization, especially after past bankruptcy and wildfire liabilities. Socially, PG&E emphasizes customer affordability programs, workforce diversity, and community resilience. Environmentally, it has committed to achieving net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2040, expanding renewable integration, and hardening infrastructure to reduce wildfire risks.

SEMPRA

Sempra positions itself as a growth-oriented energy infrastructure company, prioritizing economic expansion through investments in LNG exports and cross-border energy projects. Socially, it promotes workforce development, safety culture, and community investments, particularly in underserved regions. Environmentally, Sempra focuses on cleaner energy delivery, including natural gas as a “transition fuel,” while expanding renewables and carbon reduction technologies.

EDISON

Edison emphasizes advancing California’s clean energy transition as both an economic and environmental priority. Its economic strategy is centered on infrastructure modernization and renewable integration. Socially, Edison highlights equity in energy access, workforce diversity, and resilience against climate risks. Environmentally, it has set aggressive carbon neutrality goals, investing in electrification, grid modernization, and wildfire mitigation to align with California’s climate policy.

OVERALL

Constituents

PG&E

- California state legislature and regulators (California Public Utilities Commission, Air Resources Board)
- Federal regulators (FERC, EPA, DOE)
- Local governments in Northern/Central California service areas
- Customers (ratepayers, both residential and industrial)
- Shareholders and investors
- Labor unions (IBEW, utility workers unions)
- Environmental and wildfire victim advocacy groups

SEMPRA

- California and federal regulators (PUC, EPA, DOE, FERC)
- Natural gas industry associations (AGA, WSPA)
- Local governments in Southern California
- Customers (especially large commercial/industrial energy users)
- Environmental justice organizations (often adversarial)
- Shareholders and infrastructure investors

EDISON

- California Public Utilities Commission and state legislature
- Federal regulators (DOE, FERC, NRC for nuclear legacy issues at San Onofre)

- Environmental groups (support & opposition depending on issue)
- Customers (residential + big commercial, especially in LA basin)
- Shareholders
- Local city governments and county supervisors

OVERALL

- Government & Regulators: California PUC, legislature, governor's office, federal agencies (EPA, DOE, FERC).
- Customers: Residential, commercial, industrial (with industrial being especially influential due to economic weight).
- Investors/Shareholders: Pressuring for financial stability and profit.
- Labor Unions & Employees: Important for workforce stability and political campaigns.
- Environmental & Community Advocates: Both supportive (renewables, electrification) and oppositional (anti-fossil fuel, wildfire victims).

Highest concentrations of constituents

PG&E

PG&E serves over 16 million people in Northern and Central California, making this region its strongest concentration of constituents. The largest clusters are in the San Francisco Bay Area, Sacramento Valley, and Central Valley agricultural corridor. The Bay Area is particularly influential because of its dense population, wealth, and political activism around climate policy. Sacramento is key due to proximity to state government and regulatory bodies. The Central Valley, though more rural, represents an important base of agricultural and industrial energy users who often advocate for affordable and reliable electricity.

SEMPRA

Sempra's strongest base is in Southern California, where its subsidiaries SoCalGas and San Diego Gas & Electric serve millions of households and businesses. The Los Angeles metropolitan area has the highest concentration of constituents, especially among commercial and industrial users with high natural gas consumption. The San Diego region is also important because Sempra's headquarters are located there, and the area serves as a hub for cross border trade and energy flows with Mexico. Sempra's LNG export operations also tie its constituents to border regions and ports that facilitate international energy infrastructure.

EDISON

Southern California Edison (SCE) serves about 15 million people in a 50,000 square mile territory. Its strongest concentration of constituents lies in the Los Angeles Basin, where dense populations and heavy commercial activity make energy affordability and clean energy transition critical issues. Edison also serves portions of the Inland Empire and Orange County, areas with fast population growth and diverse socioeconomic communities. These regions are especially

sensitive to wildfire risks and high energy bills, making them key constituencies in Edison’s policymaking influence

OVERALL

For all three utilities, the highest concentrations of constituents are in California’s largest urban centers: the San Francisco Bay Area, Los Angeles, San Diego, and Sacramento. These regions combine population density, economic weight, and political influence. Industrial and agricultural sectors in the Central Valley and Southern California also represent powerful constituencies because of their high energy demands. Urban residents tend to emphasize clean energy, equity, and wildfire safety, while rural and industrial constituencies prioritize affordability and reliability.

PART 2: Constituent Profile

Economics

Prominent industries

Energy utilities, tech, entertainment, manufacturing, agriculture, and shipping

Unemployment rate, income levels, poverty rate, etc.

- Median household income for California
 - In the most recent year, 2023, The smallest household size for which the bureau reported a median household income was 1-person households, with an income of \$49,595. It then further increased to \$138,755 for 7-person households, the largest household size for which the bureau reported a median household income.

NAME	MEDIAN ∨	MEAN
Married Families	\$132,245	\$178,126
Families	\$110,108	\$152,870
Households	\$96,334	\$136,730
Non Families	\$61.846	\$93.218

- Unemployment Rate
 - As of July 2025 5.5% unemployment rate
- POverty Rate (as of 2024)
 - Child poverty:18.6%
 - 65+: 21.1%
 - For adults 18-64: 16.5%

[California Median Household Income - 2025 Update | Neilsberg](#)
[Unemployment Rates for States](#)

[California's Persistent Poverty Crisis: 2024 Rates Remain Alarming High - California Budget & Policy Center](#)

Demographics

Population, and population breakdowns by race, ethnicity, age, income, etc.

- Overall population of 39,663,800
- Racial Composition:
 - 43.95% White,
 - 17.38% other race,
 - 15.28% Asian,
 - 5.54% Black or African American,
 - 1.13% for Native American,
 - .38% Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander and multiracial populations.

Urban/rural breakdown

- 94~% urban
- 6~% rural

[California Population 2025](#)

Politics

<https://elections.cdn.sos.ca.gov/ror/154day-presprim-2024/historical-reg-stats.pdf>

Partisan voter registration

- In 2024
 - 47% Democrat
 - 24% Republican
 - 23% No party preference/ other

% voted Democrat/Republican in 2020, 2016, 2012

- 2020: 63.5% Democrat 34.3% Republican
- 2016: 61.7% Democrat 31.6% Republican
- 2012 59.3% Democrat 38.3% Republican

3 specific issues that are important to your constituents

- Energy affordability and reliability (high electricity/gas rates).
- Wildfire prevention and utility accountability.
- Transition to clean energy and climate change mitigation.

Constituents' general positions on economic, social, and environmental issues

- PG&E's constituents in Northern and Central California care a lot about wildfire safety, affordability, and climate action. People in the Bay Area tend to push hard for clean energy, carbon reduction, and investment in renewables. At the same time, Central Valley customers, especially farmers and agricultural businesses, are more focused on reliable and low-cost electricity to keep their operations running. There's also a strong sense of mistrust because of PG&E's history with wildfires and bankruptcy, so a lot of constituents want accountability and safety upgrades before anything else.
- Sempra's customers in Southern California, especially Los Angeles and San Diego, have a mix of priorities. Urban residents and advocacy groups often demand faster clean energy transitions and reductions in natural gas dependency. But there's also a huge industrial and commercial base that depends heavily on gas, meaning they want energy reliability and competitive rates. Because Sempra also has international ties with Mexico and global LNG, some constituents see it as a driver of economic opportunity and jobs, while others see it as prolonging fossil fuel reliance. This creates a split constituency: one side wants rapid decarbonization, and the other emphasizes economic and energy security.
- Edison's constituents are concentrated in the Los Angeles Basin, the Inland Empire, and Orange County. These communities are very diverse, and their priorities show it. Many push for renewable energy expansion, electrification, and EV infrastructure, since these regions are hubs for clean-tech growth. But there's also a huge concern about energy affordability, especially in working-class and lower-income areas that are sensitive to rising electricity bills. On top of that, wildfire risks weigh heavily on Edison's territory, so constituents expect strong investments in grid safety and resilience. Overall, Edison's constituents are highly supportive of climate goals but want them done in a way that doesn't break household budgets.