**Northeast Power Coordinating Council**

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The three major and two minor NERC Interconnections, and the nine NERC Regional Reliability Councils.

The **Northeast Power Coordinating Council (NPCC)** was formed January 19, 1966, as a successor to the Canada–United States Eastern Interconnection (CANUSE). NPCC is one of nine regional electric reliability councils under [North American Electric Reliability Corporation](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_American_Electric_Reliability_Corporation) (NERC) authority. NERC and the regional reliability councils were formed following the [Northeast Blackout of 1965](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northeast_Blackout_of_1965). NPCC's offices are located in [New York City](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_York_City), [New York](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_York).

The NPCC region lies within the [Eastern Interconnection](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eastern_Interconnection) and occupies the greater [New England](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_England) region of [North America](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_America), covering all of the States of [Maine](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maine), [Vermont](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vermont), [New Hampshire](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Hampshire), [Massachusetts](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Massachusetts), [New York](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_York), [Connecticut](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Connecticut), [Rhode Island](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rhode_Island), and the Provinces of [Ontario](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ontario), [Québec](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Qu%C3%A9bec), [New Brunswick](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_Brunswick), [Nova Scotia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nova_Scotia) and [Prince Edward Island](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prince_Edward_Island). NPCC also has ties to non-NERC systems in Northern Canada. In terms of load served, NPCC covers 20% of the Eastern interconnection's total load demand, and 70% of Canada's entire demand.

The [Hydro-Québec](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hydro-Qu%C3%A9bec) system, which encompasses all of Québec, is commonly considered as part of the Eastern Interconnection even though it technically is its [own interconnection](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Qu%C3%A9bec_Interconnection). It is tied to rest of the NPCC and Eastern Interconnection through four [high voltage](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/High_voltage) [direct current](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Direct_current) ties.

**See also**

* [North American Electric Reliability Corporation](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_American_Electric_Reliability_Corporation) (NERC)

**External links**

* [Official website](http://www.npcc.org/)

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