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Ways to Keep Your Landline Bills Down by [Sue Johnson](#)

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As the global financial crisis continues with no sign of the end being near, people are seeking out ways in which they can reduce the amount of money they are spending each month. Cheaper, less inclusive insurance deals, budget energy packages and limited broadband contracts are growing in popularity throughout the country, but is there anything else you can do to reduce your monthly outgoings?

It is well worth taking a look at your home phone bills. Many telecom companies have different price plans and rates catered to the varying needs of their customers. If this is news to you, contact your current provider and ask them which price plan you are on. If you are out during the day, it is foolish to sign up to a deal that gives you reduced daytime call rates. If you find that you use your landline most during the evening, you will be better served on a price plan that offers cheaper evening calls.

Compare a recent landline bill with a recent mobile phone bill, if you are signed up to a mobile contract. If you are not using all of your mobile deal's allocated 'free' minutes each month, it is worth using your mobile instead of your landline as making a point of using up these minutes will undoubtedly save you money, especially if you often call mobile numbers from your house phone.

If you do not have a landline but are interested in getting one installed, it is worth considering a phone and broadband 'bundle'. These packages can save you money as many telecom and internet service providers will forego the cost of installing your phone line if you agree to receive broadband services from them. If you perform some research though, you may find that buying your phone line and broadband services separately may save you more money in the long run. One rule that is consistently true, however, is that the longer the contract you sign up to, the greater the savings you can make will be. Most telecom companies offer discounts for customers who sign up for longer than twelve months.

Many line rental deals come with enticing offers, such as free evening or weekend calls. Seek out deals with offers like this and try to limit your use of your landline to the times that you receive discounted or free calls. If you have a few free minutes left on your mobile phone contract each month, call people on that, then ask them to ring you back on your landline.

Before making any decisions though, your first port of call should be a price comparison site. With advice and guidance offered, as well as detailed information about the landline deals available, these sites can prove to be very useful.

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