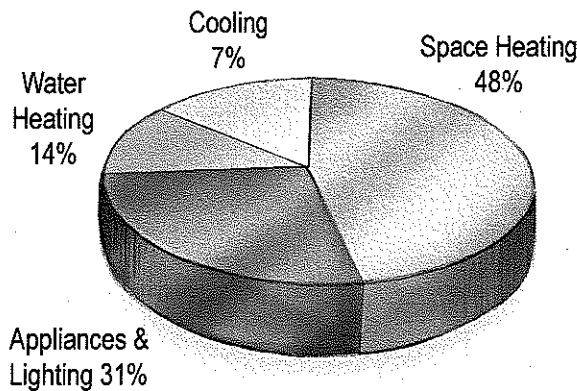


Electric Usage in Your Home



There Are Many Ways You Depend On Electricity

As your electric supplier, we've developed this brochure to help you understand your electric usage. We hope this will help you use your electricity as efficiently as possible.

The graph shows how energy is used in an average home with four family members. Your use may vary depending on your lifestyle, the size of your family and the size, age and efficiency of your appliances. The amount used also varies with the weather and the amount of insulation in your home's walls and ceiling.

Appliances that are manufactured today are typically much more efficient. As appliances age, their efficiency decreases. Knowing the age and life expectancy of your electric appliances can help you understand your electrical use.

Average life expectancy in years

Air Conditioner.....	18	Electric Water Heater	10-12
Clothes Washer	8-10	Freezer	15-20
Clothes Dryer.....	14	Heat Pump	16
Dishwasher.....	11	Refrigerator	15
Electric Range	12	Television.....	11-12

Replacement

If your appliances are at or nearing the end of their expected life, you may plan ahead. When replacing old appliances pay particular attention to energy efficiency. In most cases, the energy-efficient choice will save you money.

Look for the energyguide label

To promote energy efficiency, the Federal Government requires manufacturers of large appliances to display energy information. The ENERGYGUIDE is designed to assist you in deciding what appliance would be less expensive to operate over the lifetime of the appliance.

(Name of Corporation)
 Refrigerator-Freezer
 Capacity: 18.6 Cubic Feet
 Model(s) AH503, AH504, AH507
 Type of Defrost: Full Automatic

ENERGYGUIDE

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Model with highest energy cost \$124

THIS MODEL

Estimated yearly energy cost

Your cost will vary depending on your local energy rate and how you use the product. The energy cost is based on U.S. Government standard tests.

Yearly cost	
Estimated yearly \$ cost shown below:	
Cost per kilowatt hour	2¢
	4¢
	6¢
	8¢
	10¢
	12¢

Ask your salesperson or local utility for the energy rate (cost per kilowatt hour) in your area.

Important Removal of this label before consumer purchase is a violation of federal law (42 U.S.C. 6302)

These figures are based on an electric price of 9.25¢ per kWh

HOUSEHOLD	COST/PERIOD
Auto engine heater (500 watt)	4.7¢ / hour
Aquarium 30 gallon.....	\$4.17 / month
Clock.....	18¢ / month
Curling Iron.....	1.5¢ / hour
Battery Charger (car)	5.1¢ / hour
Bug Zapper.....	\$7.57 / month
Computer w/Monitor, Printer.....	88.2¢ / week
Electric Blanket (125 watt)	9.2¢ / 8 hours
Garage Door Opener.....	2.8¢ / 1 opening
Hair Dryer (hand held)	11.3¢ / hour
Heat Lamp.....	2.4¢ / hour
Jacuzzi (maintain temperature)	\$1.20 / day
Lighting (incandescent) 75 watt	7.0¢ / 10 hours
Lighting (compact fluorescent) 18 watt.....	1.6¢ / 10 hours
Lighting (fluorescent) 4'40 watt.....	3.8¢ / 10 hours
Lighting (outdoor flood) 125 watt.....	11.6¢ / 10 hours
Motor (1 HP)	9.20¢ / hour
Power Tools (circular saw)	16.7¢ / hour
Radio	12.5¢ / 10 hours
Satellite Dish (incl. receiver)	\$6.09 / month
Stereo.....	18.9¢ / 10 hours
Television (color, solid state)	26.0¢ / 10 hours
DVD/VCR	2.6¢ / hour
Waterbed Heater (300 watt)	\$10.00 / month

SPACE CONDITIONING	COST/PERIOD
Air Conditioner (12,000 BTU, window) 8 SEER	\$28.25 / month
Air Conditioner (36,000 BTU, central) 13 SEER ...	\$51.25 / month
AC Dehumidifier (20 pints, summer)	\$14.99 / month
Heater (portable) 1500 watt	14.0¢ / hour
Heating System (blower)	\$8.32 / month
Heat tape (30 ft., 6 watts per foot)	\$11.93 / month
Humidifier (winter)	\$2.66 / month
Fan (attic)	\$2.64 / month
Fan (ceiling, lights off)	9.20¢ / 10 hours

KITCHEN	COST/PERIOD
Bread Machine	7.2¢ / loaf
Coffee Maker (auto drip)	2.6¢ / brew
Convection Oven	9.2¢ / hour
Dishwasher.....	22.8¢ / load
Freezer (man. defrost, 15 cu. ft.) 1975	\$5.55 / month
Freezer (man. defrost, 15 cu. ft.) 2006	\$2.75 / month
Fry Pan	10.0¢ / hour
Microwave Oven	14.3¢ / hour
Range (oven)	12.8¢ / hours
Range (self cleaning cycle)	57¢ / cleaning
Refrigerator (frost-free, 21.5 cu. ft.) 1975	\$13.86 / month
Refrigerator (frost-free, 21.5 cu. ft.) 2006	\$3.55 / month

Operating cost per hour can be estimated if you know:

1. Wattage of the appliance
2. Cost of electricity (cost per kWh)

To estimate the number of kWh (units of electricity used in one hour) first determine:

1. The wattage of the appliance from its nameplate
2. Apply the following formula:

$$\frac{\text{Wattage}}{1000} \times 1(\text{hour}) = \text{kWh} \quad (\text{units of electricity used per hour})$$

To figure operating cost per hour:

kWh (units used) x Cost/kWh = Cost/hour

LAUNDRY COST/PERIOD

Clothes Dryer	47¢ / load
Clothes Washer (cold/cold)	2.8¢ / load
Clothes Washer (warm/cold)	12.8¢ / load
Clothes Washer (hot/warm)	34.2¢ / load
Iron	9.2¢ / hour

To determine average cost per kWh from your electric bill:

EXAMPLE: (bill) \$69.38 = \$.0925 per kWh
(kWh) 750

Cost per kWh 9.25¢

EXAMPLE: 1500 WATT HEATER

Electricity used per hour

$$\frac{1500}{1000} \times 1(\text{hour}) = 1.5 \text{ kWh}$$

Cost per hour of operation:

1.5 kWh x 9.25¢ per kWh = 13.88 (cents per hour)



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