

## Home Energy Savings

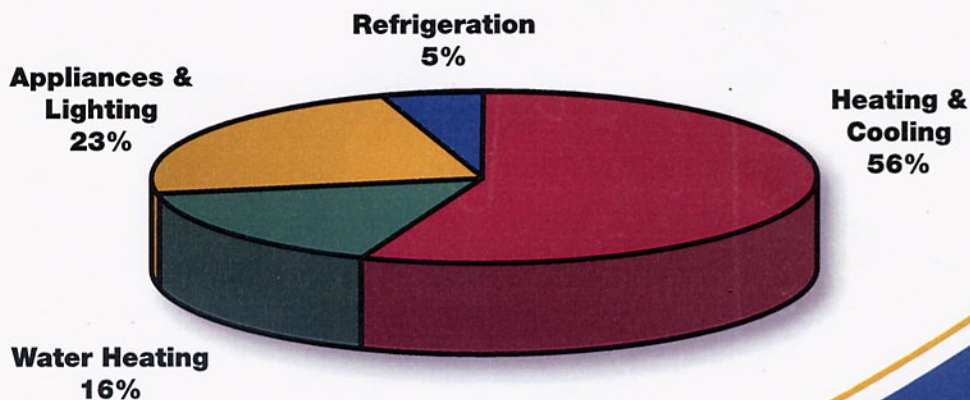
Your Touchstone Energy Cooperative works hard to hold down energy prices. You, too, can play an important role in controlling your energy costs by evaluating your home and taking simple steps to trim unnecessary energy use. The following are some tips to help you reduce your energy costs.

## Home Energy Costs

Get a clear picture of which parts of your home use the most energy.

- The first step in reducing home energy costs is to review last year's utility bills. Using the below national "percentage" averages, a homeowner who spent \$2,500 a year for home energy would have paid roughly:
  - \$1,400 for heating and cooling
  - \$575 for appliances and lighting
  - \$400 for water heating
  - \$125 for refrigeration
- When implementing energy-saving measures, remember, you cannot save more than you are spending.
- Contact ~~your local Touchstone Energy Cooperative representative~~ *us at (800) 421-2343* to review your bills and provide you with a more accurate estimate. Go to ~~www.touchstoneenergy.coop~~ *www.coastalelectric.coop* for more information.
- *Use our free <sup>online</sup> Energy audit at www.coastalelectric.coop*

### Home Energy Costs - National Averages





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As the cost of energy goes up, more and more people are concerned about their utility bills. Consumers are looking for ways to manage their energy use and reduce costs. Touchstone Energy cooperatives have always placed a priority on promoting energy efficiency to their members. That's why we created this Home Energy Savings Guide.

**You Have the Power to Control Your Energy Costs**

This Home Energy Savings Guide is a starting point to get you on the way toward better energy management for your home. In this booklet you'll find valuable tips designed to create greater home comfort and improve performance. There is a list of additional resources located at the end of this booklet.

For more information, please contact your local Touchstone Energy cooperative.

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Visit [www.coastalelectric.coop](http://www.coastalelectric.coop) for more information, including a free online energy library and audit.

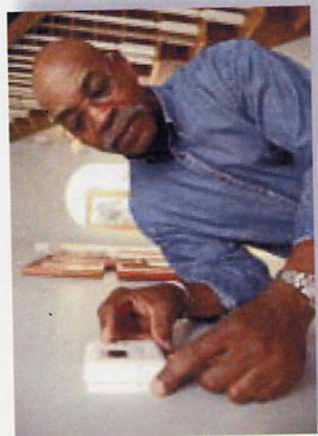
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For more information on energy savings check with the following sources of information:

- Visit [www.coastalelectric.coop](http://www.coastalelectric.coop) for information ~~and to locate your local Touchstone Energy Cooperative.~~
- U.S. Department of Energy. [www.energy.gov/yourhome.htm](http://www.energy.gov/yourhome.htm)
- Energy Star. [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov)
- Alliance to Save Energy. [www.ase.org](http://www.ase.org)
- Your state's energy office.

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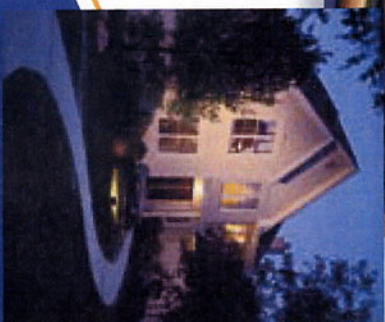


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