

ENERGY STAR® BY THE NUMBERS

The simple choice for energy efficiency.



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ENERGY STAR® is the government-backed symbol for energy efficiency, providing simple, credible, and unbiased information that consumers and businesses rely on to make well-informed decisions. Thousands of industrial, commercial, utility, state, and local organizations—including more than 40 percent of the Fortune 500®—rely on their partnership with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to deliver cost-saving energy efficiency solutions. Together, since 1992, ENERGY STAR and its partners have helped save American families and businesses \$430 billion—while also achieving broad emissions reductions—all through voluntary action.

PROGRAM-WIDE FACTS

- ENERGY STAR certified products, homes, buildings, and plants helped Americans save 503 billion kWh of energy and **\$34 billion** in energy costs in 2015.
- Since 1992, ENERGY STAR and its partners have saved American families and businesses \$430 billion in energy costs and 4.6 trillion kWh of energy, while achieving broad emissions reductions—including 2.8 billion metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions.
- More than 90 percent of American households recognize the ENERGY STAR.
- As of 2016, thousands of industrial, commercial, state, and local organizations—including more than 40 percent of the Fortune 500—rely on their partnership with EPA to achieve financial and energy savings.
- Nearly 700 utilities—serving roughly 85 percent of American households—leveraged ENERGY STAR in their efficiency programs in 2016.
- Nearly 290,000 American workers are involved in the manufacture of ENERGY STAR certified products and building materials, as of 2016.

ENERGY STAR PRODUCTS

- ENERGY STAR certified products helped consumers save \$23 billion in energy costs in 2015, contributing to cumulative energy cost savings of \$246 billion since 1992.
- By choosing ENERGY STAR, a typical household can save about \$575 on their energy bills and still enjoy the quality and performance they expect.
- Americans purchased more than 300 million ENERGY STAR certified products in 2015, for a cumulative total exceeding 5.5 billion products (excluding purchases of light bulbs).
- About three-fourths of U.S. households report the ENERGY STAR label as influential in their purchasing decisions.
- EPA sets definitions of efficiency leadership for more than 75 residential and commercial product categories. Currently 50,000 product models have earned the ENERGY STAR based on these rigorous criteria.
- The estimated annual market value of ENERGY STAR product sales is more than \$100 billion.
- More than 2,000 product models from more than 130 manufacturers were recognized as "ENERGY STAR Most Efficient" in 2016.
- 80 percent of purchasers would recommend ENERGY STAR products to a friend.







ENERGY STAR FOR COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

- The ENERGY STAR program for commercial buildings helped businesses and organizations save \$7.8 billion in energy costs in 2015, contributing to cumulative energy cost savings of \$144 billion since 1992.
- By the end of 2016, nearly 500,000 properties—representing about 50 percent of the nation's commercial building floor space—have used EPA's ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager® tool to measure, track, assess, and report on their energy and water consumption.
- As of the end of 2016, 23 local governments and two states rely on EPA's ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager® tool as the foundation for their energy benchmarking and transparency policies.
- On average, ENERGY STAR certified buildings use 35 percent less energy than typical buildings nationwide.
- More than 7,500 buildings earned the ENERGY STAR in 2016, bringing the total to 29,500.

ENERGY STAR FOR INDUSTRIAL PLANTS

- The ENERGY STAR program for industrial plants helped businesses save
 \$2.6 billion in energy costs in 2015, contributing to cumulative energy cost savings of \$37 billion since 1992.
- As of 2016, 30 diverse industrial sectors work with ENERGY STAR to strategically manage their energy use, from cookie and cracker bakeries and pharmaceutical plants to integrated steel mills and petroleum refineries.
- 87 industrial plants earned the ENERGY STAR in 2016.
- 46 industrial plants achieved energy use reductions in the 2016 ENERGY STAR Challenge for Industry campaign.

ENERGY STAR FOR NEW HOMES

- The ENERGY STAR certified new homes program helped homeowners save \$360 million in energy costs in 2015, contributing to cumulative energy cost savings of \$2.5 billion since 1992.
- By choosing an ENERGY STAR certified home, homeowners can save up to 30 percent on their energy bills, while enjoying better quality, performance, and comfort.
- In 2016, more than 92,000 ENERGY STAR certified new homes were built, bringing the total to 1.7 million since 1995.
- As of 2016, 88 percent of the nation's top homebuilders build ENERGY STAR certified homes.
- One out of every 10 homes built in 2015 was ENERGY STAR certified.

Find references and more statistics and methodologies at www.energystar.gov/about/origins mission/energy star numbers.





