



## ***Winter Energy Saving Tips***

**Turn down the thermostat** at night or when the house is empty.

**Replace or clean furnace filters** once a month. Furnaces use more energy when dust restricts air flow through the filter.

**Weatherstrip and caulk** around doors and windows to cut down on heat loss and improve comfort.

**Open your curtains and blinds during the day** to let the sun heat your home.

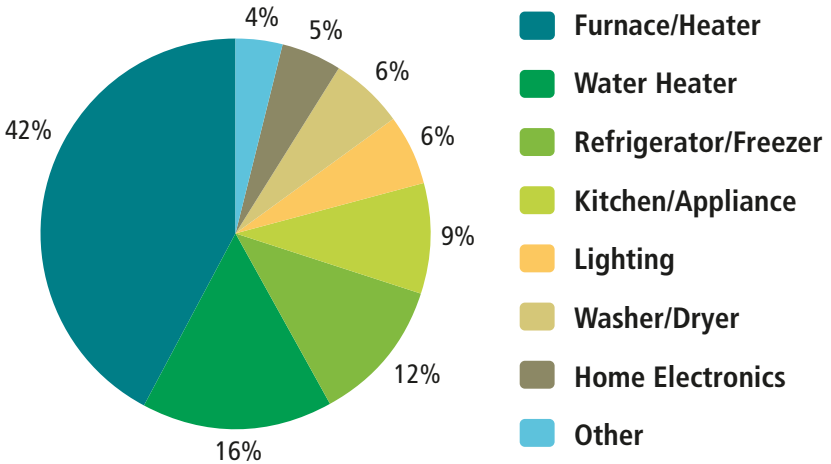
**Choose compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs.** CFL bulbs use 75 percent less energy and last longer than standard bulbs.

**Switch off electronics** when not in use, including televisions, computers and stereo equipment.

**Set the temperature on your water heater** so that water at the tap is 120 degrees, unless your dishwasher requires a higher temperature.

**Look for ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup>** when shopping for appliances, electronics and more.

## What Matters Most In the Winter\*



\*Energy use can vary greatly according to the age of the appliance, the size and construction of your home and the number of occupants.

Source: DOE's Energy Information Administration

**Use this simple calculation to further understand your usage.**

$$\frac{\text{Wattage}}{\text{Hours of Operation Per Month}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ Watts}}{\text{(converts to Kilowatt)}} = \frac{\text{Kilowatt Hours of Electricity}}{\text{Month}}$$

$$\frac{\text{Kilowatt Hours of Electricity}}{\text{Month}} \times \$0.076 = \$ \frac{\text{Approximate Kilowatt Hour Rate (effective Aug. 2010)}}{\text{Month}}$$

## More Information

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