

# Energy Saving Tips to Help Reduce Power Consumption



APC makes it easy to save on your electric bill.

**Did You Know:** National Grid says unplugging your laptop and chargers when they're not in use can save you an average of \$4 a month (or 29kwh)?

It's easy savings that can add up. So while you're updating your insulation to save on your energy bill, don't forget the electric bill. About half of the \$1,500 Americans spend on energy bills yearly goes to lights, appliances and home electronics.

## Ready for More Electricity Saving Tips?

- Activate your computer's power management features, so it powers down when sitting idle. (You do use APC's PowerChute® Personal Edition, don't you?)
- Use a premium surge protector (like APC's SurgeArrest® line) that can be turned off when you're done using office equipment for the day or at bedtime.

APC SurgeArrests will continue to provide surge protection for connected

equipment when the device's power switch is set to "off".

- If you're upgrading any electronics, make sure they are ENERGY STAR certified for maximum savings. For example, an ENERGY STAR-qualified computer in sleep mode consumes about 80% less electricity than it does in full-power mode.
- Overall, ENERGY STAR-qualified office equipment uses about half as much electricity as standard equipment. When every home office is powered by equipment that has earned the ENERGY STAR rating, greenhouse gas emissions will decrease by over 289 billion pounds.
- Change a light to an ENERGY STAR one for more savings. Don't forget to keep light bulbs and fixtures clear of dust – clean bulbs give off more light than dirty ones.

## Protect While You Save

APC makes it easy to save on your electric bill. Convenient on/off switches on our surge protectors and battery backup units enable you to power down

when not in use. They also protect your expensive electronics from damage due to power events.

You're probably aware that PowerChute enables graceful shut-downs during outages. But did you know PowerChute's sophisticated power management features can tell you how much power a connected device uses? It's an easy, and smart, way to monitor and decrease your energy use.

And built into nearly every desktop product APC sells in North America is a Site Wiring Fault Indicator that identifies possible wiring problems and tells you if your APC product will work as expected. It alerts you to too much voltage, reversed polarity or no grounding (which would make it next to impossible for your power protection device to work properly).

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For more energy tips, visit [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov)

ENERGY STAR information source: Environmental Protection Agency data.