Lighting Choices SAVE YOU MONEY

New Light Bulbs: What's the Difference?

Simply put, many new bulbs save money by using less energy and lasting longer.

$6 What you may be paying each year to light a space in your home with one traditional bulb.

$1.50 About what you would pay to light the same space with a CFL or LED. That's $4.50 in savings each year.

Note: Cost of electricity only, replacing a 60W incandescent used 2.5 hrs./day at $0.11/kWh.

10 to 25 The number of times longer ENERGY STAR CFLs and LEDs last compared to traditional bulbs.

Over their lifetime, energy-saving bulbs are typically less expensive than traditional bulbs, even with a higher purchase price added in.

What Are My Money-Saving Lighting Choices?

ENERGY-SAVING INCANDESCENTS
(also called "halogen" bulbs)

25% ENERGY $ SAVED

COMPACT FLUORESCENT LAMPS (CFLs)

75% ENERGY $ SAVED

LIGHT EMITTING DIODES (LEDs)

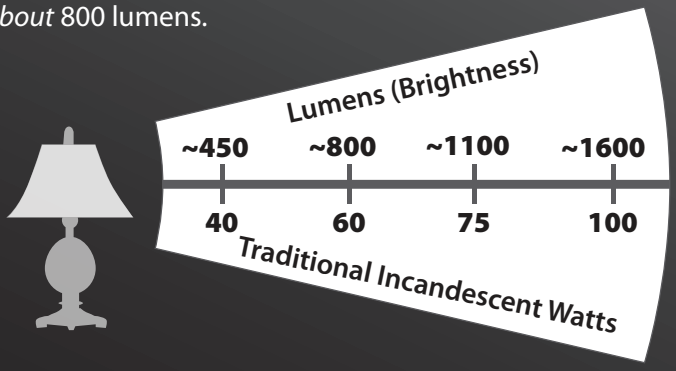
75%+ ENERGY $ SAVED

GOODBYE, WATTS.
Hello, LUMENS.

THE NEW WAY TO SHOP FOR LIGHT

Choose your next light bulb for
the brightness you want.

Lumens tell you how bright a bulb is. More lumens mean brighter light. When replacing a 60-watt traditional incandescent bulb, look for a new bulb that gives you *about* 800 lumens.



The **Lighting Facts Label**
helps you understand your purchase.

The label has the lumens – or brightness – of the bulb, the estimated operating cost and life, and the color of the light (from warm/yellow, to white, to cool/blue). Energy-saving bulbs come in a wide range of colors.

Lighting Facts Per Bulb

Brightness	**800 lumens**
Estimated Yearly Energy Cost $1.57 Based on 3 hrs/day, 11¢/kWh Cost depends on rates and use	ENERGY STAR
Life Based on 3 hrs/day	**9 years**
Light Appearance Warm — Cool 2700 K	
Energy Used	**13 watts**

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