

ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

Efficient lightbulb savings

According to Fast Company magazine, if every household in the United States replaced one incandescent light bulb with a new high-efficiency compact fluorescent bulb (CFL), we would save enough energy to provide electricity to a city of 1.5 million people. Applying the same math to the city of Madison, the replacement of bulbs in the 93,124 city households would save enough energy to power 574 additional households.

Individual monetary savings are also significant. According to General Electric, replacing one 100-watt incandescent bulb with a comparable CFL bulb will save \$14.05 per year in Madison.

SOURCE: http://www.fastcompany.com/magazine/108/open_lightbulbs.html

Estimated annual energy savings per bulb by replacing incandescents with fluorescents in Madison

60-watt indoor: **\$8.54**

65-watt track/recessed: **\$9.49**

100-watt outdoor: **\$12.15**

100-watt indoor: **\$14.05**

Part 2 of this month's series on conservation

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