

HOW TO INTERPRET AN ENERGY GUIDE

Based on Standard U.S. Government Tests

ENERGYGUIDE

Appliance Type
XYZ Corporation
Model ABC-W

Compare the Energy Use of this Appliance
With Others Before You Buy

This Model Uses
800 kWh/year

Energy use (kWh/year) range of all similar models

Uses Least Energy 685		Uses Most Energy 1000
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kWh/year (kilowatt-hours per year) is a measure of energy (electricity) use. Your utility company uses it to compute your bill.

Appliances using more energy cost more to operate.
This model's estimated yearly operating cost is:

\$65

Based on a 2000 U.S. Government national average cost of 8.03¢ per kWh for electricity. Your actual operating cost will vary depending on your local utility rates and your use of the product.

Important: Removal of this label before consumer purchase violates the Federal Trade Commission's Appliance Labeling Rule (16 C.F.R. Part 305).

Information about features, capacity, and size so you can compare models.

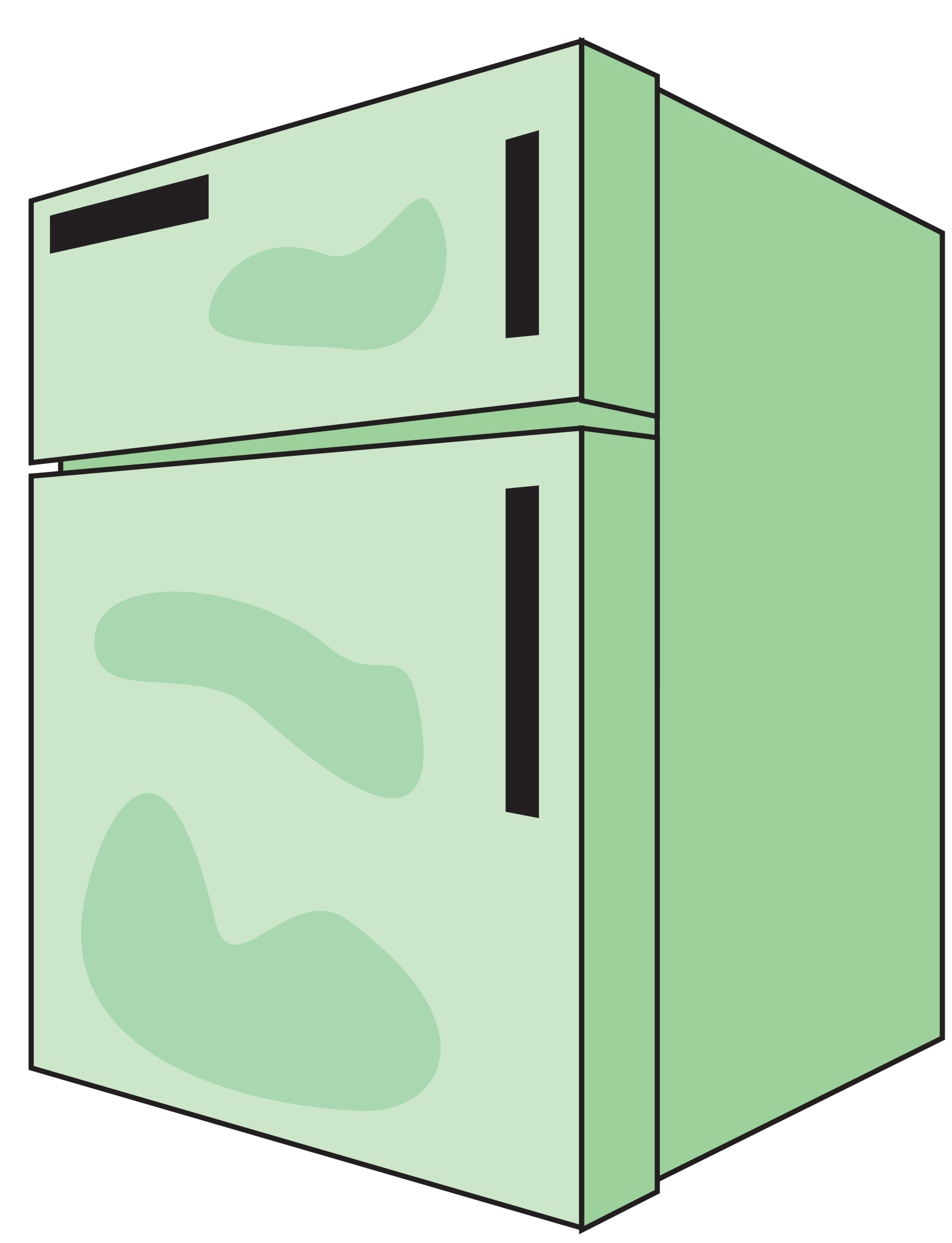
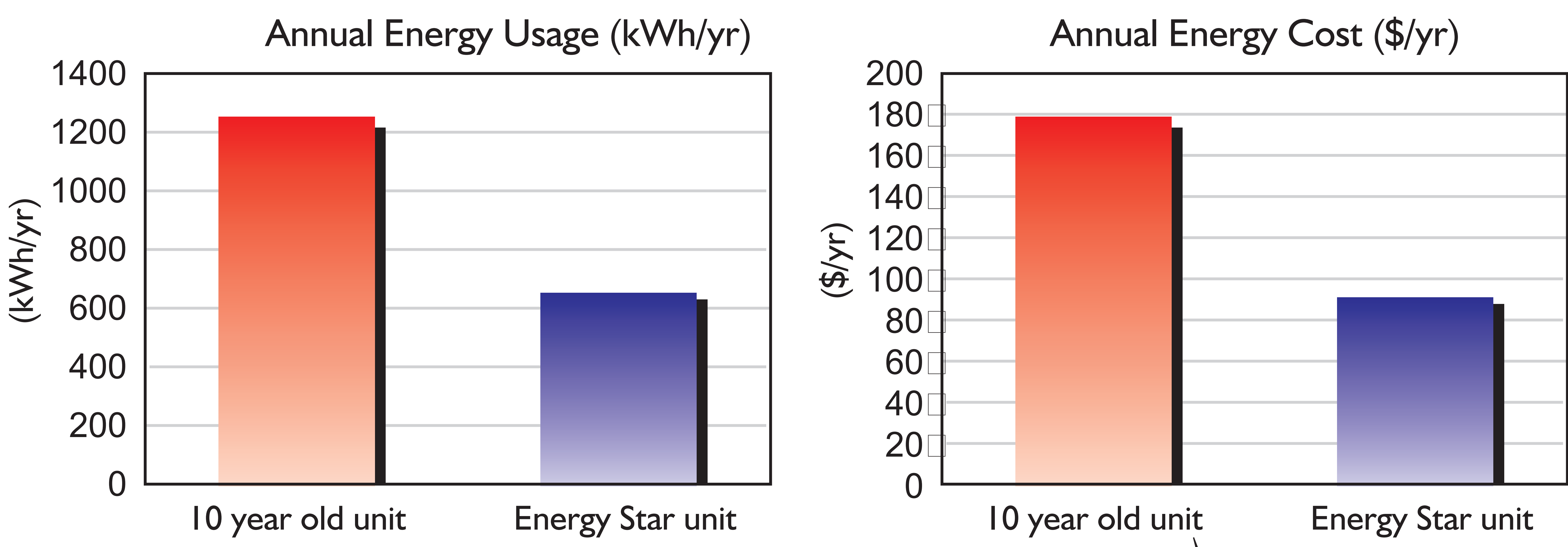
Manufacturer, model number and appliance type.

Estimates the appliances annual energy use. The lower the number, the more energy-efficient the appliance, and the less it costs to run.

The range of ratings for similar models, from "uses least energy" to "uses most energy". This scale shows how a particular model measures up to the competition.

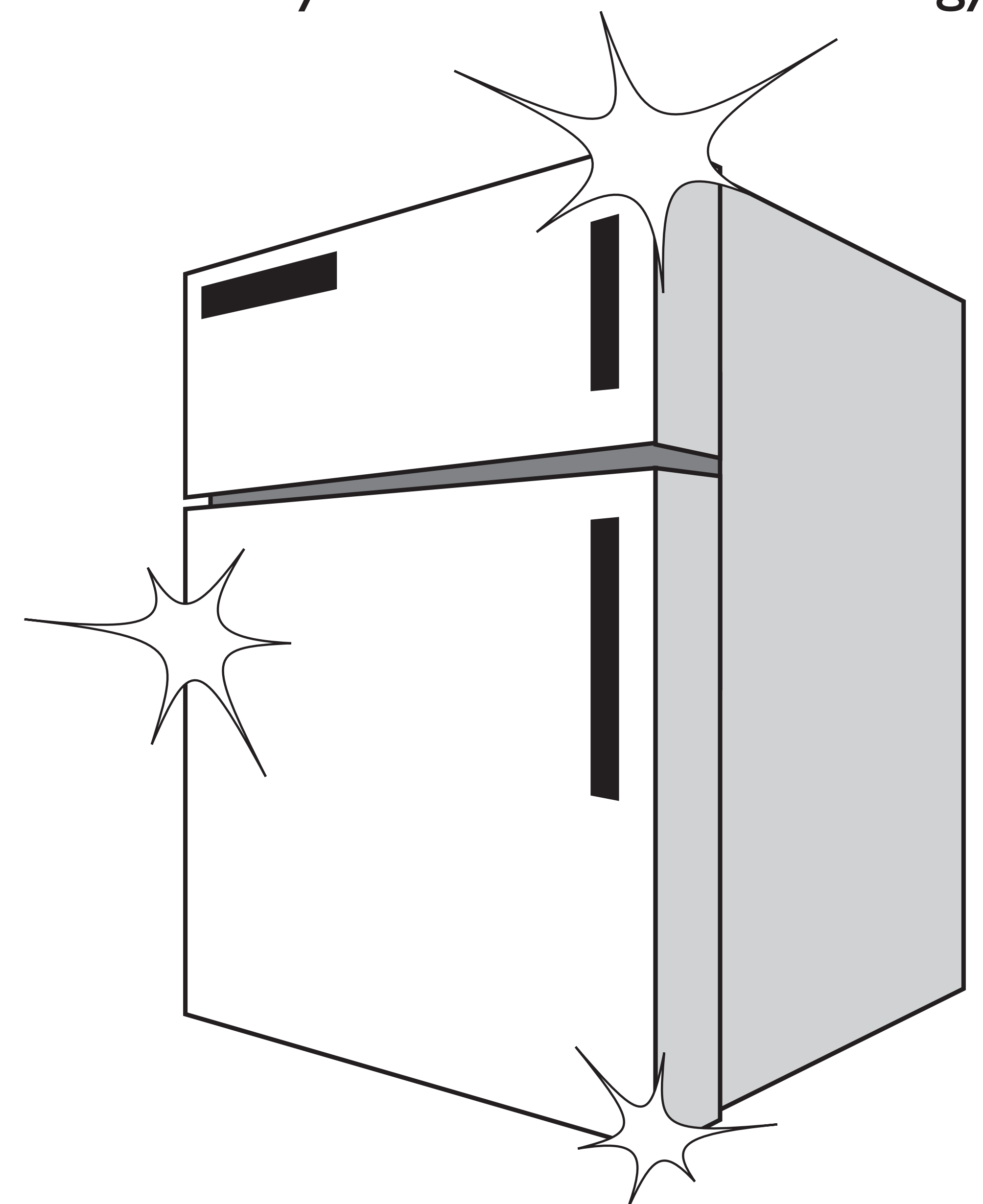
An estimate of the annual cost to run this model.

There may be a lot of cold, hard cash sitting in your old appliances. For example, your refrigerator uses the most electricity of all your kitchen appliances and can account for as much as 15% of a home's total energy usage. Use the Energy Guide to help you figure out what it will cost.



10 year old unit

VS.



Energy Star unit



Money Isn't All You're Saving

Check for the Energy Star logo and the Energy Guide. The guide will tell you how much energy your major appliance should use and how it compares with others.