

Electricity

Even the small things add up, by making lots of small changes you could shave **hundreds of pounds** off your electricity bills. Just to light a home in the UK costs an average of **£85** per year.

- By line drying in the summer months rather than using a tumble dryer, you could save **£17 on electricity** and **65kg CO₂** – if everyone in the UK did this it would be equivalent to taking around **270,000 cars** off the road.
- Leaving your computer monitor on when not in use could cost **£35 a year** and generate **120kg of CO₂**.
- Replacing a 50W halogen down lighter with a 6W LED bulb, will save **£4 per bulb**. Many kitchens have between 8 and 10 down lighters!
- Use the right light for the job. If you are watching television you probably only want **low level background lighting**, if you're reading a book you may want something **bright but near by**.
- If you still have traditional light bulbs in your home, remember, replacing them will save you on average **£3 per year per bulb**, sometimes more.
- Turning appliances **off** at the wall rather than using standby, could save you **£35 a year**
- **Put a lid on it!** When cooking, you won't need to turn the temperature up on your hob if you put a lid on the pot.
- Invest in an **energy monitor**. This will help you see the cost of using all the different electrical appliances in your home.



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