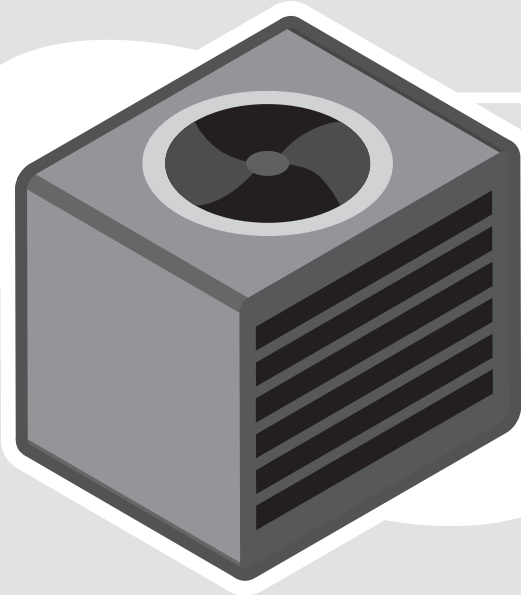


WHAT DOES MY AC COST ME?

YOU CAN'T CONTROL THE TEMPERATURE OUTSIDE, BUT YOU CAN MAKE YOUR HOUSE COOLER AND MINIMIZE AIR-CONDITIONING COSTS.



50 PERCENT

Air conditioning can account for nearly half of your bill.



TWO-THIRDS

Two-thirds of residential electricity demand in Texas comes from AC.



29 BILLION

Air conditioners use about 6% of all the electricity produced in the U.S. at a yearly cost of about \$29 billion to homeowners.

Sources: bloomberg.com, energy.gov

USE THESE TIPS TO \$AVE MONEY AND BEAT THE HEAT!



Use a fan to help you feel cooler.



Check and/or replace your air filters every two weeks from May through October.



Close your curtains and blinds when practical during the day.



Set your thermostat between 78° and 80°. Raise it by 2°-3° when you're not at home.



Check ducts for air leaks.



Install solar screens to limit heat from sunlight entering the home.



Have your system inspected by a licensed professional at least twice a year, spring and fall. And, if you are buying a new air conditioner, install a unit with a rating of 15 SEER or higher. You can reduce your energy use by 20-50% by upgrading to an energy-efficient unit.