

## The cost of television

How much do you think it costs to run your TV for a year? Estimate.

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Now let's work it out.

**Step 1:** Record the hours that your TV is on each day in the boxes below (do not include standby power). Calculate your weekly total.

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	
Friday	
Saturday	
Sunday	
Total	

**Step 2:** Use the Origin Energy efficiency calculator to find out the cost of watching TV.

1. Go to [originenergy.com.au/calculator](http://originenergy.com.au/calculator).
2. Click on the energy efficiency calculator.
3. Select 'My living room' from the menu.
4. Insert the hours per week for the TV.

5. Record your results in the table below.

Hours per week	
Cost per qtr (\$)	
Cost per year (\$)	
CO2 emissions per year (kg)	

### Questions

How does the actual cost per year compare with your estimate?

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How can you reduce your yearly television cost without missing your favourite shows?

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