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Table 10.14 Percentage of establishments by levels of price difference that would cause fuel switching from electricity to a less expensive substitute, 2022

Level: National data
Row: NAICS codes
Column: Levels of price difference
Unit: Establishment counts

		Levels of price difference that would cause a switch from electricity ^c							
NAICS code ^a	Subsector and industry	Establishments able to switch ^b	Would not switch due to price	1 to 10 percent	11 to 25 percent	26 to 50 percent	Over 50 percent	Estimate cannot be provided	Would switch to more expensive substitute
Total United States									
311	Food	330	20	D	D	D	D	37	D
3112	Grain and Oilseed Milling	D	0	D	13	0	0	4	0
311221	Wet Corn Milling and Starch Manufacturing	D	0	0	D	0	0	0	0
31131	Sugar Manufacturing	D	0	0	0	0	D	0	D
3114	Fruit and Vegetable Preserving and Specialty Food	8	4	0	D	D	0	D	0
3115	Dairy Product Manufacturing	36	12	0	16	0	D	D	0
3116	Animal Slaughtering and Processing	40	0	0	Q	0	0	25	0
312	Beverage and Tobacco Products	140	D	0	0	Q	D	Q	9
3121	Beverages	140	D	0	0	Q	D	Q	9
3122	Tobacco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
313	Textile Mills	Q	D	0	0	0	0	D	0
314	Textile Product Mills	Q	0	Q	0	0	0	0	0
315	Apparel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
316	Leather and Allied Products	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
321	Wood Products	201	20	D	Q	17	D	71	0
321113	Sawmills	73	5	D	Q	Q	D	Q	0
3212	Veneer, Plywood, and Engineered Wood Product Manufacturing	D	Q	0	D	0	0	0	0
321219	Reconstituted Wood Products	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3219	Other Wood Products	D	9	Q	D	4	0	29	0
322	Paper	33	D	8	5	D	D	13	0
322110	Pulp Mills	4	0	D	D	D	0	D	0
322120	Paper Mills	12	D	D	D	0	D	D	0
322130	Paperboard Mills	14	D	5	D	D	0	5	0
323	Printing and Related Support	573	Q	Q	0	Q	0	Q	0
324	Petroleum and Coal Products	86	D	0	17	15	D	48	0
324110	Petroleum Refineries	14	D	0	D	D	D	7	0
324121	Asphalt Paving Mixture and Block	60	5	0	12	Q	0	33	0
324122	Asphalt Shingle and Coating Materials	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
324191	Petroleum Lubricating Oil and Grease Manufacturing	D	0	0	D	D	0	D	0
324199	All Other Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing	D	0	0	0	D	0	D	0
325	Chemicals	309	Q	5	D	Q	4	D	D
325110	Petrochemicals	D	0	0	0	0	D	D	0
325120	Industrial Gases	Q	D	0	0	0	D	D	0
325180	Other Basic Inorganic Chemical Manufacturing	D	Q	0	D	0	0	D	0
325193	Ethyl Alcohol	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
325194	Cyclic Crudes, Intermediate and Gum and Wood Chemicals	10	0	0	0	0	0	10	0
325199	All Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacturing	9	D	D	0	D	0	3	0
325211	Plastics Materials and Resins	Q	Q	0	0	Q	0	0	0
325212	Synthetic Rubber	3	D	0	0	0	0	D	0
325220	Artificial and Synthetic Fibers and Filaments	D	0	0	0	0	0	D	0
325311	Nitrogenous Fertilizers	5	0	0	0	D	0	D	0
325312	Phosphatic Fertilizers	4	0	0	0	D	0	D	0
3254	Pharmaceuticals and Medicines	Q	Q	D	0	D	D	Q	D
325412	Pharmaceutical Preparation	D	Q	0	0	0	D	8	0
325992	Photographic Film, Paper, Plate, Chemical, and Copy Toner Manufacturing	3	D	0	0	0	0	D	0

326	Plastics and Rubber Products	Q	Q	0	0	Q	0	Q	0
327	Nonmetallic Mineral Products	Q	Q	0	D	D	0	D	0
327120	Clay Building Material and Refractories	4	D	0	0	D	0	D	0
327211	Flat Glass	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
327212	Other Pressed and Blown Glass and Glassware	Q	Q	0	0	0	0	3	0
327213	Glass Containers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
327215	Glass Products from Purchased Glass	D	D	0	0	0	0	0	0
327310	Cements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
327410	Lime	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
327420	Gypsum	D	0	0	D	0	0	0	0
327993	Mineral Wool	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
331	Primary Metals	40	13	D	D	0	D	12	D
331110	Iron and Steel Mills and Ferroalloys	D	D	D	0	0	0	D	0
3312	Steel Products from Purchased Steel	8	Q	0	0	0	D	D	0
3313	Alumina and Aluminum Production and Processing	D	D	0	3	0	0	0	0
331314	Secondary Smelting and Alloying of Aluminum	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
331315	Aluminum Sheet, Plate and Foils	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
331318	Other Aluminum Rolling, Drawing and Extruding	D	D	0	0	0	0	0	0
3314	Nonferrous Metal (except Aluminum) Production and Processing	11	D	D	Q	0	0	D	D
331410	Nonferrous Metal (except Aluminum) Smelting and Refining	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3315	Foundries	14	D	0	D	0	D	7	0
331511	Iron Foundries	D	D	0	0	0	0	D	0
331523	Nonferrous Metal Die-Casting Foundries	D	0	0	D	0	0	0	0
331524	Aluminum Foundries, except Die-Casting	3	0	0	0	0	D	D	0
332	Fabricated Metal Products	1,552	767	Q	Q	0	Q	Q	0
333	Machinery	249	Q	0	0	Q	0	Q	0
334	Computer and Electronic Products	Q	Q	0	Q	0	Q	Q	0
334413	Semiconductors and Related Devices	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
335	Electrical Equipment, Appliances, and Components	Q	0	0	Q	0	0	0	Q
336	Transportation Equipment	Q	D	D	4	D	D	Q	0
336110	Automobile and Light Duty Motor Vehicle Manufacturing	7	D	0	0	D	0	D	0
3364	Aerospace Product and Parts	13	D	D	4	D	D	D	0
336411	Aircraft	4	D	D	0	D	0	D	0
337	Furniture and Related Products	479	Q	0	Q	0	0	Q	0
339	Miscellaneous	323	Q	0	0	0	0	Q	0
	Total	5,166	2,215	Q	543	400	Q	1,420	23

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Office of Energy Demand and Integrated Statistics, Form EIA-846, 2022 *Manufacturing Energy Consumption Survey*

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RSE Table 10.14 Relative standard errors for Table 10.14

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			Would not switch due to price	1 to 10 percent	11 to 25 percent	26 to 50 percent	Over 50 percent			
Total United States										
311	Food	40.0	27.7	D	D	D	D	32.2	D	
3112	Grain and Oilseed Milling	D	X	D	30.3	X	X	10.2		
311221	Wet Corn Milling and Starch Manufacturing	D	X	X	D	X	X	X	X	
31131	Sugar Manufacturing	D	X	X	X	X	D	X	D	
3114	Fruit and Vegetable Preserving and Specialty Food	22.7	43.6	X	D	D	X	D	X	
3115	Dairy Product Manufacturing	21.8	38.1	X	36.9	X	D	D	X	
3116	Animal Slaughtering and Processing	44.2	X	X	92.6	X	X	45.6	X	
312	Beverage and Tobacco Products	48.1	D	X	X	92.1	D	97.2	36.4	
3121	Beverages	48.1	D	X	X	92.1	D	97.2	36.4	
3122	Tobacco	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
313	Textile Mills	87.9	D	X	X	X	X	D	X	
314	Textile Product Mills	99.0	X	99.0	X	X	X	X	X	
315	Apparel	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
316	Leather and Allied Products	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
321	Wood Products	34.0	30.0	D	68.4	41.1	D	46.8	X	
321113	Sawmills	44.2	44.8	D	61.8	54.1	D	72.5	X	
3212	Veneer, Plywood, and Engineered Wood Product Manufacturing	D	63.1	X	D	X	X	X	X	
321219	Reconstituted Wood Products	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
3219	Other Wood Products	D	41.9	98.3	D	29.2	X	44.3	X	
322	Paper	7.3	D	0.0	0.0	D	D	18.2	X	
322110	Pulp Mills	0.0	X	D	D	D	X	D	X	
322120	Paper Mills	0.0	D	D	D	X	D	D	X	
322130	Paperboard Mills	0.0	D	0.0	D	D	X	0.0	X	
323	Printing and Related Support	41.1	57.0	98.5	X	99.0	X	65.3	X	
324	Petroleum and Coal Products	14.4	D	X	9.8	42.5	D	21.6	X	
324110	Petroleum Refineries	0.0	D	X	D	D	D	0.0	X	
324121	Asphalt Paving Mixture and Block	20.6	47.8	X	13.9	57.7	X	31.5	X	
324122	Asphalt Shingle and Coating Materials	0.0	X	X	X	X	X	0.0	X	
324191	Petroleum Lubricating Oil and Grease Manufacturing	D	X	X	D	D	X	D	X	
324199	All Other Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing	D	X	X	X	D	X	D	X	
325	Chemicals	37.0	51.1	45.0	D	79.3	0.0	D	D	
325110	Petrochemicals	D	X	X	X	X	D	D	X	
325120	Industrial Gases	91.9	D	X	X	X	D	D	X	
325180	Other Basic Inorganic Chemical Manufacturing	D	77.4	X	D	X	X	D	X	
325193	Ethyl Alcohol	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
325194	Cyclic Crudes, Intermediate and Gum and Wood Chemicals	0.0	X	X	X	X	X	0.0	X	
325199	All Other Basic Organic Chemical Manufacturing	26.5	D	D	X	D	X	0.0	X	
325211	Plastics Materials and Resins	77.2	76.8	X	X	96.2	X	X	X	
325212	Synthetic Rubber	0.0	D	X	X	X	X	D	X	
325220	Artificial and Synthetic Fibers and Filaments	D	X	X	X	X	X	D	X	
325311	Nitrogenous Fertilizers	0.0	X	X	X	D	X	D	X	
325312	Phosphatic Fertilizers	0.0	X	X	X	D	X	D	X	
3254	Pharmaceuticals and Medicines	50.2	65.8	D	X	D	D	53.8	D	
325412	Pharmaceutical Preparation	D	71.3	X	X	X	D	27.0	X	
325992	Photographic Film, Paper, Plate, Chemical, and Copy Toner Manufacturing	0.0	D	X	X	X	X	D	X	
326	Plastics and Rubber Products	51.3	99.0	X	X	76.0	X	97.4	X	
327	Nonmetallic Mineral Products	56.9	74.0	X	D	D	X	D	X	
327120	Clay Building Material and Refractories	15.6	D	X	X	D	X	D	X	
327211	Flat Glass	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

327212	Other Pressed and Blown Glass and Glassware	83.8	90.2	X	X	X	X	25.7	X
327213	Glass Containers	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
327215	Glass Products from Purchased Glass	D	D	X	X	X	X	X	X
327310	Cements	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
327410	Lime	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
327420	Gypsum	D	X	X	D	X	X	X	X
327993	Mineral Wool	0.0	0.0	X	X	X	X	X	X
331	Primary Metals	12.3	27.7	D	D	X	D	8.4	D
331110	Iron and Steel Mills and Ferroalloys	D	D	D	X	X	X	D	X
3312	Steel Products from Purchased Steel	36.1	64.1	X	X	X	D	D	X
3313	Alumina and Aluminum Production and Processing	D	D	X	0.0	X	X	X	X
331314	Secondary Smelting and Alloying of Aluminum	0.0	X	X	0.0	X	X	X	X
331315	Aluminum Sheet, Plate and Foils	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
331318	Other Aluminum Rolling, Drawing and Extruding	D	D	X	X	X	X	X	X
3314	Nonferrous Metal (except Aluminum) Production and Processing	29.3	D	D	75.0	X	X	D	D
331410	Nonferrous Metal (except Aluminum) Smelting and Refining	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3315	Foundries	18.9	D	X	D	X	D	4.8	X
331511	Iron Foundries	D	D	X	X	X	X	D	X
331523	Nonferrous Metal Die-Casting Foundries	D	X	X	D	X	X	X	X
331524	Aluminum Foundries, except Die-Casting	0.0	X	X	X	X	D	D	X
332	Fabricated Metal Products	30.8	44.3	99.5	83.9	X	99.5	56.6	X
333	Machinery	48.3	96.9	X	X	97.7	X	65.0	X
334	Computer and Electronic Products	52.8	67.6	X	92.5	X	58.8	99.0	X
334413	Semiconductors and Related Devices	0.0	0.0	X	X	X	X	X	X
335	Electrical Equipment, Appliances, and Components	79.6	X	X	97.2	X	X	X	88.8
336	Transportation Equipment	54.4	D	D	46.0	D	D	73.2	X
336110	Automobile and Light Duty Motor Vehicle Manufacturing	0.0	D	X	X	D	X	D	X
3364	Aerospace Product and Parts	21.4	D	D	46.0	D	D	D	X
336411	Aircraft	0.0	D	D	X	D	X	D	X
337	Furniture and Related Products	40.2	70.0	X	59.1	X	X	87.5	X
339	Miscellaneous	48.5	52.2	X	X	X	X	81.6	X
	Total	13.0	21.2	50.7	32.1	37.6	87.5	24.2	38.8

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