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	Total U.S. <sup>a</sup>	Own	Rent <sup>b</sup>	Single-family and mobile homes		Apartments	
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<b>All homes</b>	123.53	82.92	40.61	78.60	12.75	4.32	27.86
<b>Space heating equipment</b>							
Uses space heating equipment	117.43	80.17	37.27	76.35	11.91	3.82	25.35
Has space heating equipment but does not use it	4.13	1.94	2.20	1.53	0.46	0.41	1.73
Does not have space heating equipment	1.97	0.82	1.15	0.73	0.38	0.09	0.77
<b>Main heating fuel and equipment</b>							
Natural gas	56.25	42.10	14.15	40.04	5.19	2.05	8.96
Central warm-air furnace	47.37	37.30	10.08	36.14	4.51	1.16	5.56
Steam or hot water system	6.37	3.67	2.70	2.85	0.28	0.82	2.42
Built-in room heater	2.33	1.03	1.30	0.95	0.35	Q	0.95
Some other equipment	0.17	0.10	0.07	0.10	Q	N	Q
Electricity	48.89	27.89	21.00	26.34	5.58	1.54	15.42
Central warm-air furnace	17.51	10.39	7.12	9.78	2.34	0.61	4.78
Heat pump	17.75	12.27	5.48	11.86	1.88	0.41	3.60
Ductless heat pump (mini-split)	1.12	0.75	0.38	0.71	Q	Q	0.34
Built-in electric units	8.25	2.46	5.79	2.09	0.71	0.38	5.08
Portable electric heaters	3.24	1.63	1.61	1.56	0.54	Q	1.07
Some other equipment	1.01	0.39	0.63	0.34	0.07	Q	0.56
Fuel oil or kerosene	4.96	3.83	1.13	3.62	0.47	0.21	0.66
Central warm-air furnace	3.07	2.59	0.49	2.53	0.26	Q	0.23
Steam or hot water system	1.67	1.11	0.56	0.97	0.16	0.15	0.39
Some other equipment	0.22	0.13	0.09	0.13	0.05	Q	Q
Propane	5.05	4.34	0.72	4.32	0.47	Q	0.24
Central warm-air furnace	3.87	3.43	0.44	3.42	0.36	Q	0.08
Some other equipment	1.18	0.90	0.28	0.89	0.12	Q	0.17
Wood	2.22	1.97	0.26	1.97	0.20	N	Q
Heating stove	1.98	1.73	0.25	1.73	0.19	N	Q
Some other equipment	0.24	0.23	Q	0.23	Q	N	Q
Some other fuel <sup>c</sup>	Q	Q	Q	Q	N	N	Q
Does not use heating equipment	6.10	2.75	3.34	2.25	0.84	0.50	2.50

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<b>All homes</b>	123.53	82.92	40.61	78.60	12.75	4.32	27.86
<b>Main heating equipment (including all fuels)</b>							
Central warm-air furnace	71.98	53.84	18.14	52.00	7.48	1.84	10.66
Heat pump	17.75	12.27	5.48	11.86	1.88	0.41	3.60
Steam or hot water system	9.32	5.47	3.85	4.47	0.50	1.00	3.36
Ductless heat pump (mini-split)	1.12	0.75	0.38	0.71	Q	Q	0.34
Built-in electric units	8.25	2.46	5.79	2.09	0.71	0.38	5.08
Built-in oil or gas room heater	3.04	1.51	1.53	1.43	0.44	0.07	1.09
Portable electric heaters	3.24	1.63	1.61	1.56	0.54	Q	1.07
Heating stove burning wood	1.98	1.73	0.25	1.73	0.19	N	Q
Some other equipment	0.74	0.50	0.24	0.49	0.13	Q	0.11
Does not use heating equipment	6.10	2.75	3.34	2.25	0.84	0.50	2.50
<b>Main heating equipment age</b>							
Less than 2 years old	13.29	9.77	3.52	9.43	2.00	0.34	1.52
2 to 4 years old	17.19	12.14	5.05	11.80	2.21	0.34	2.84
5 to 9 years old	26.62	18.48	8.14	17.86	2.85	0.62	5.29
10 to 14 years old	22.28	15.15	7.13	14.40	2.38	0.75	4.75
15 to 19 years old	14.66	10.01	4.65	9.46	1.01	0.55	3.64
20 or more years old	23.40	14.62	8.78	13.39	1.47	1.22	7.32
Does not use heating equipment	6.10	2.75	3.34	2.25	0.84	0.50	2.50
<b>Has thermostat</b>							
Yes	109.35	77.53	31.82	74.16	10.70	3.37	21.11
Smart or internet-connected thermostat	12.78	11.45	1.33	11.03	0.48	0.41	0.85
Programmable thermostat	52.49	39.47	13.02	37.92	5.19	1.54	7.83
Non-programmable thermostat	44.08	26.61	17.46	25.20	5.03	1.41	12.43
No	12.73	4.87	7.86	3.98	1.81	0.89	6.05
Does not use heating or air-conditioning equipment	1.45	0.52	0.93	0.46	0.24	0.06	0.69

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<b>All homes</b>	123.53	82.92	40.61	78.60	12.75	4.32	27.86
<b>Main heating equipment control</b>							
Sets one temperature and leaves it there most of the time	50.49	34.97	15.52	33.50	5.48	1.48	10.03
Manually adjusts the temperature	30.93	20.02	10.91	19.08	3.48	0.94	7.42
Programmable or smart thermostat automatically adjusts the temperature	19.79	17.72	2.08	17.18	0.85	0.54	1.23
Turns equipment on or off as needed	12.06	6.03	6.03	5.59	1.71	0.44	4.32
Household does not have control over the equipment	3.91	1.27	2.64	0.86	0.34	0.41	2.30
Controls heating equipment in some other way	0.24	0.15	0.10	0.14	Q	Q	Q
Does not use heating equipment	6.10	2.75	3.34	2.25	0.84	0.50	2.50
<b>Secondary heating fuel and equipment</b>							
Uses secondary heating equipment	51.25	40.69	10.56	39.64	4.84	1.05	5.73
Natural gas	7.55	6.96	0.59	6.85	0.33	0.11	0.27
Fireplace	6.94	6.40	0.54	6.29	0.29	0.11	0.25
Some other equipment	0.61	0.55	Q	0.55	Q	Q	Q
Electricity	31.50	22.82	8.68	21.99	3.70	0.83	4.97
Portable electric heaters	25.02	17.68	7.33	16.96	3.10	0.72	4.23
Ductless heat pump (mini-split)	0.94	0.88	0.06	0.88	Q	N	Q
Built-in electric units	3.17	2.43	0.75	2.34	0.30	Q	0.45
Fireplace	1.79	1.36	0.43	1.34	0.25	Q	0.19
Some other equipment	0.57	0.46	0.11	0.46	Q	N	Q
Wood	8.61	7.55	1.06	7.46	0.64	0.09	0.41
Heating stove	3.12	2.88	0.24	2.87	0.19	Q	Q
Fireplace	5.47	4.65	0.82	4.57	0.46	Q	0.36
Some other equipment	Q	Q	N	Q	N	N	N
Some other fuel <sup>c</sup>	3.59	3.36	0.23	3.34	0.16	Q	Q
Does not use secondary heating equipment	66.18	39.48	26.70	36.71	7.08	2.77	19.63
Does not use any heating equipment	6.10	2.75	3.34	2.25	0.84	0.50	2.50

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<b>All homes</b>	123.53	82.92	40.61	78.60	12.75	4.32	27.86
<b>Secondary heating usage</b>							
Uses all or almost all of the time	10.91	8.33	2.58	8.16	1.24	0.17	1.33
Uses at least once a week	9.41	7.79	1.62	7.62	0.75	0.17	0.88
Uses a few times per month	4.71	3.73	0.97	3.68	0.49	Q	0.48
Uses only when it is very cold	19.64	15.53	4.11	14.96	1.84	0.57	2.27
Uses only in rare situations, such as when a guest is visiting	6.59	5.30	1.28	5.22	0.52	0.08	0.77
Does not use secondary heating equipment	66.18	39.48	26.70	36.71	7.08	2.77	19.63
Does not use any heating equipment	6.10	2.75	3.34	2.25	0.84	0.50	2.50
<b>Winter indoor daytime temperature when someone is home</b>							
63 degrees or less	4.29	2.17	2.12	2.12	0.60	Q	1.52
64 to 66 degrees	10.27	6.96	3.30	6.73	1.18	0.24	2.12
67 to 69 degrees	32.43	25.17	7.26	24.41	2.56	0.76	4.70
70 degrees	26.94	18.06	8.88	17.10	2.91	0.96	5.98
71 to 73 degrees	25.20	17.58	7.61	16.69	2.58	0.89	5.03
74 degrees or more	18.30	10.22	8.08	9.30	2.09	0.92	5.99
Does not use heating equipment	6.10	2.75	3.34	2.25	0.84	0.50	2.50
<b>Winter indoor daytime temperature when no one is home</b>							
63 degrees or less	18.59	12.46	6.12	12.01	1.84	0.46	4.29
64 to 66 degrees	22.05	16.24	5.82	15.52	2.07	0.72	3.74
67 to 69 degrees	30.03	22.48	7.55	21.57	2.58	0.91	4.97
70 degrees	19.35	12.02	7.33	11.48	2.29	0.54	5.05
71 to 73 degrees	15.06	10.07	4.99	9.59	1.61	0.48	3.38
74 degrees or more	12.35	6.89	5.45	6.18	1.52	0.71	3.93
Does not use heating equipment	6.10	2.75	3.34	2.25	0.84	0.50	2.50
<b>Winter indoor temperature at night</b>							
63 degrees or less	14.70	10.30	4.40	9.98	1.33	0.32	3.08
64 to 66 degrees	19.67	14.54	5.13	14.04	1.70	0.50	3.43
67 to 69 degrees	31.47	23.57	7.90	22.54	2.85	1.02	5.05
70 degrees	20.22	13.05	7.17	12.34	2.23	0.71	4.93
71 to 73 degrees	17.49	11.44	6.05	10.81	1.92	0.63	4.13
74 degrees or more	13.88	7.27	6.61	6.63	1.88	0.64	4.74
Does not use heating equipment	6.10	2.75	3.34	2.25	0.84	0.50	2.50

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<b>All homes</b>	123.53	82.92	40.61	78.60	12.75	4.32	27.86
<b>Heated basement</b>							
Yes	24.93	23.07	1.86	23.07	1.86	N	N
No	11.71	9.89	1.81	9.89	1.81	N	N
Not asked (heated homes with no basement)	45.02	38.15	6.87	38.15	6.87	N	N
Not asked (unheated homes, apartments, and mobile homes)	41.88	11.81	30.06	7.49	2.21	4.32	27.86
<b>Heated attic</b>							
Yes	3.48	3.00	0.48	3.00	0.48	N	N
No	51.56	46.47	5.09	46.47	5.09	N	N
Not asked (heated homes with no attic)	26.61	21.63	4.98	21.63	4.98	N	N
Not asked (unheated homes, apartments, and mobile homes)	41.88	11.81	30.06	7.49	2.21	4.32	27.86
<b>Heated attached garage</b>							
Yes	3.87	3.51	0.36	3.51	0.36	N	N
No	46.07	42.00	4.08	42.00	4.08	N	N
Not asked (heated homes with no attached garage)	31.71	25.60	6.11	25.60	6.11	N	N
Not asked (unheated homes, apartments, and mobile homes)	41.88	11.81	30.06	7.49	2.21	4.32	27.86
<b>Humidifier usage</b>							
Uses a humidifier	29.25	22.03	7.23	21.10	2.26	0.93	4.97
Uses only occasionally	7.13	4.52	2.62	4.31	0.88	0.21	1.73
Uses only during winter months	15.77	12.82	2.95	12.24	0.85	0.58	2.10
Uses about half of the year	2.21	1.71	0.50	1.66	0.19	Q	0.31
Uses all or almost all of the year	4.12	2.97	1.16	2.88	0.34	0.09	0.82
Does not use a humidifier	94.28	60.89	33.38	57.50	10.49	3.40	22.89

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Office of Energy Demand and Integrated Statistics, Form EIA-457A of the 2020 Residential Energy Consumption Survey

Notes: Because of rounding, data may not sum to totals. See RECS Terminology for the definitions of terms used in these tables.

<sup>a</sup> Total U.S. includes all primary occupied housing units in the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Vacant housing units, seasonal units, second homes, military houses, and group quarters are excluded.

<sup>b</sup> Rent includes households that occupy their primary housing units without paying rent.

<sup>c</sup> Some other fuel includes coal and district steam.

Q = Data withheld because either the relative standard error (RSE) was greater than 50% or fewer than 10 households were in the reporting sample.

N = No households in reporting sample.

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<b>All homes</b>	0.00	0.42	0.86	0.35	2.15	4.13	0.64
<b>Space heating equipment</b>							
Uses space heating equipment	0.23	0.47	1.11	0.39	2.35	4.81	1.05
Has space heating equipment but does not use it	5.61	6.50	8.06	7.16	15.77	16.90	8.58
Does not have space heating equipment	7.69	10.42	10.79	10.68	16.21	30.91	14.16
<b>Main heating fuel and equipment</b>							
Natural gas	0.97	1.02	2.42	0.94	3.52	7.00	3.02
Central warm-air furnace	0.99	1.08	3.01	1.00	3.74	9.91	4.43
Steam or hot water system	3.76	4.45	6.15	4.87	14.31	12.05	6.39
Built-in room heater	6.13	9.72	8.34	9.95	15.05	35.26	10.28
Some other equipment	19.12	23.33	33.19	23.33	40.56	0.00	58.99
Electricity	0.95	1.48	1.48	1.37	3.91	8.49	1.68
Central warm-air furnace	2.16	2.95	3.69	2.81	6.70	16.52	4.69
Heat pump	1.84	2.32	2.88	2.34	5.72	17.73	4.29
Ductless heat pump (mini-split)	8.38	10.69	14.65	10.77	37.69	48.97	15.85
Built-in electric units	2.74	5.30	3.04	4.98	9.71	18.34	3.48
Portable electric heaters	6.15	8.45	9.57	8.31	12.86	41.17	11.13
Some other equipment	10.83	16.32	15.36	15.59	27.72	54.75	16.34
Fuel oil or kerosene	3.36	3.89	8.93	3.67	10.99	27.12	13.71
Central warm-air furnace	4.55	4.92	12.10	4.73	14.27	42.72	18.60
Steam or hot water system	6.77	7.17	15.38	7.45	19.50	30.66	19.44
Some other equipment	16.16	19.98	32.52	20.30	42.22	100.26	46.40
Propane	4.01	4.13	9.96	4.16	11.52	71.91	18.50
Central warm-air furnace	4.19	4.25	13.47	4.27	14.35	100.44	30.15
Some other equipment	8.03	8.62	16.32	8.63	23.00	100.63	22.84
Wood	5.19	5.11	15.95	5.11	19.56	0.00	35.91
Heating stove	5.76	5.80	15.89	5.80	19.32	0.00	36.80
Some other equipment	19.24	19.09	87.89	19.09	100.56	0.00	102.49
Some other fuel <sup>c</sup>	33.09	35.41	100.48	35.41	0.00	0.00	100.48
Does not use heating equipment	4.53	5.90	6.01	6.19	11.42	14.69	7.09

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<b>All homes</b>	0.00	0.42	0.86	0.35	2.15	4.13	0.64
<b>Main heating equipment (including all fuels)</b>							
Central warm-air furnace	0.66	0.71	2.16	0.64	3.46	8.70	2.85
Heat pump	1.84	2.32	2.88	2.34	5.72	17.73	4.29
Steam or hot water system	2.85	3.50	4.89	3.80	11.72	10.27	5.15
Ductless heat pump (mini-split)	8.38	10.69	14.65	10.77	37.69	48.97	15.85
Built-in electric units	2.74	5.30	3.04	4.98	9.71	18.34	3.48
Built-in oil or gas room heater	5.53	8.24	7.57	8.32	12.57	34.47	9.51
Portable electric heaters	6.15	8.45	9.57	8.31	12.86	41.17	11.13
Heating stove burning wood	5.76	5.80	15.89	5.80	19.32	0.00	36.80
Some other equipment	10.02	12.02	20.96	11.99	23.03	92.86	37.49
Does not use heating equipment	4.53	5.90	6.01	6.19	11.42	14.69	7.09
<b>Main heating equipment age</b>							
Less than 2 years old	2.42	2.94	3.93	2.86	6.49	17.88	7.33
2 to 4 years old	2.11	2.34	3.78	2.31	4.74	17.07	5.24
5 to 9 years old	1.46	1.93	3.25	1.91	4.54	13.83	3.92
10 to 14 years old	1.98	2.07	3.90	2.04	4.80	12.54	5.41
15 to 19 years old	2.50	2.93	4.91	2.79	8.47	16.87	5.47
20 or more years old	1.77	2.05	3.33	2.25	6.91	9.97	3.84
Does not use heating equipment	4.53	5.90	6.01	6.19	11.42	14.69	7.09
<b>Has thermostat</b>							
Yes	0.34	0.48	1.38	0.42	2.51	4.96	1.53
Smart or internet-connected thermostat	2.22	2.31	7.33	2.44	11.98	17.80	10.49
Programmable thermostat	0.88	1.07	2.40	1.05	3.75	9.04	3.02
Non-programmable thermostat	1.29	1.69	2.22	1.79	4.46	8.25	2.41
No	2.69	4.90	3.47	5.38	6.13	10.50	4.39
Does not use heating or air-conditioning equipment	8.80	10.32	13.53	11.22	20.39	38.51	16.27

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<b>All homes</b>	0.00	0.42	0.86	0.35	2.15	4.13	0.64
<b>Main heating equipment control</b>							
Sets one temperature and leaves it there most of the time	1.12	1.22	2.33	1.19	3.74	8.69	2.80
Manually adjusts the temperature	1.74	2.01	2.71	2.06	4.78	9.46	3.43
Programmable or smart thermostat automatically adjusts the temperature	1.84	2.01	6.17	1.94	8.54	13.31	8.67
Turns equipment on or off as needed	2.85	3.70	4.55	3.69	7.65	14.81	4.88
Household does not have control over the equipment	5.10	8.64	6.80	9.04	15.80	18.40	7.80
Controls heating equipment in some other way	17.23	20.42	29.61	21.42	39.56	100.55	46.63
Does not use heating equipment	4.53	5.90	6.01	6.19	11.42	14.69	7.09
<b>Secondary heating fuel and equipment</b>							
Uses secondary heating equipment	1.01	1.10	3.00	1.10	3.93	9.92	3.89
Natural gas	2.92	2.91	11.85	2.98	15.37	28.97	20.68
Fireplace	3.15	3.12	11.23	3.21	15.25	29.46	19.75
Some other equipment	9.87	9.86	44.63	9.94	52.30	100.38	84.80
Electricity	1.35	1.53	3.10	1.54	4.51	10.78	3.94
Portable electric heaters	1.44	1.66	3.46	1.67	5.01	11.87	4.47
Ductless heat pump (mini-split)	9.64	9.69	37.15	9.69	66.55	0.00	45.86
Built-in electric units	4.38	5.13	11.47	5.18	15.95	38.49	14.82
Fireplace	5.70	6.33	15.26	6.44	20.49	59.03	24.10
Some other equipment	12.75	12.88	33.98	12.88	46.64	0.00	44.99
Wood	2.73	2.88	10.51	2.91	11.68	36.96	16.32
Heating stove	4.76	4.85	19.84	4.90	23.56	71.80	39.90
Fireplace	3.77	4.20	11.71	4.16	13.57	38.15	17.33
Some other equipment	68.13	68.13	0.00	68.13	0.00	0.00	0.00
Some other fuel <sup>c</sup>	4.50	4.62	20.77	4.58	23.33	66.85	45.58
Does not use secondary heating equipment	0.79	1.15	1.40	1.15	3.30	6.14	1.46
Does not use any heating equipment	4.53	5.90	6.01	6.19	11.42	14.69	7.09



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**Relative standards errors (RSEs) for Table HC6.2 Space heating in U.S. homes, by owner or renter status, 2020**

**RSEs for number of housing units**

	Housing unit type						
	Total U.S. <sup>a</sup>	Own	Rent <sup>b</sup>	Single-family and mobile homes		Apartments	
				Own	Rent <sup>b</sup>	Own	Rent <sup>b</sup>
<b>All homes</b>	0.00	0.42	0.86	0.35	2.15	4.13	0.64
<b>Secondary heating usage</b>							
Uses all or almost all of the time	2.73	3.11	5.56	3.10	7.86	26.50	7.56
Uses at least once a week	2.32	2.36	6.79	2.45	8.91	28.71	9.44
Uses a few times per month	4.22	4.60	10.26	4.59	11.69	41.19	15.03
Uses only when it is very cold	2.10	2.37	5.46	2.37	7.61	13.89	6.80
Uses only in rare situations, such as when a guest is visiting	3.46	3.66	9.58	3.62	11.52	36.83	12.91
Does not use secondary heating equipment	0.79	1.15	1.40	1.15	3.30	6.14	1.46
Does not use any heating equipment	4.53	5.90	6.01	6.19	11.42	14.69	7.09
<b>Winter indoor daytime temperature when someone is home</b>							
63 degrees or less	4.53	6.70	7.39	6.89	11.58	43.51	9.99
64 to 66 degrees	2.75	2.82	5.88	2.81	8.13	22.10	7.12
67 to 69 degrees	1.21	1.24	3.72	1.20	5.05	10.83	4.84
70 degrees	1.56	1.87	2.98	1.79	5.54	10.98	3.72
71 to 73 degrees	1.53	1.97	3.39	1.97	5.55	10.99	4.18
74 degrees or more	2.27	2.64	3.74	2.54	5.41	11.02	4.74
Does not use heating equipment	4.53	5.90	6.01	6.19	11.42	14.69	7.09
<b>Winter indoor daytime temperature when no one is home</b>							
63 degrees or less	2.15	2.34	4.11	2.40	6.91	13.91	4.64
64 to 66 degrees	1.95	2.27	3.81	2.31	5.84	12.25	4.92
67 to 69 degrees	1.39	1.57	2.95	1.58	5.02	10.79	3.83
70 degrees	2.23	2.68	3.65	2.59	5.93	16.16	4.43
71 to 73 degrees	2.10	2.72	4.01	2.71	7.09	14.35	5.03
74 degrees or more	2.59	3.51	4.05	3.18	5.97	13.76	5.53
Does not use heating equipment	4.53	5.90	6.01	6.19	11.42	14.69	7.09
<b>Winter indoor temperature at night</b>							
63 degrees or less	2.70	2.64	5.46	2.66	7.88	18.36	7.48
64 to 66 degrees	2.11	2.60	4.06	2.76	6.45	12.97	5.21
67 to 69 degrees	1.65	1.78	3.46	1.75	4.57	9.75	4.55
70 degrees	2.03	2.50	3.74	2.44	6.44	11.12	4.83
71 to 73 degrees	2.12	3.00	3.93	2.97	5.78	14.47	4.65
74 degrees or more	2.60	3.32	4.00	3.01	6.84	14.64	4.88
Does not use heating equipment	4.53	5.90	6.01	6.19	11.42	14.69	7.09

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				Own	Rent <sup>b</sup>	Own	Rent <sup>b</sup>
<b>All homes</b>	0.00	0.42	0.86	0.35	2.15	4.13	0.64
<b>Heated basement</b>							
Yes	1.16	1.30	6.34	1.30	6.34	0.00	0.00
No	2.25	2.32	5.52	2.32	5.52	0.00	0.00
Not asked (heated homes with no basement)	0.60	0.81	3.26	0.81	3.26	0.00	0.00
Not asked (unheated homes, apartments, and mobile homes)	0.37	2.03	0.70	2.25	5.74	4.13	0.64
<b>Heated attic</b>							
Yes	4.07	4.11	12.37	4.11	12.37	0.00	0.00
No	0.74	0.82	4.12	0.82	4.12	0.00	0.00
Not asked (heated homes with no attic)	1.39	1.78	3.58	1.78	3.58	0.00	0.00
Not asked (unheated homes, apartments, and mobile homes)	0.37	2.03	0.70	2.25	5.74	4.13	0.64
<b>Heated attached garage</b>							
Yes	3.93	3.78	13.49	3.78	13.49	0.00	0.00
No	0.88	0.93	4.55	0.93	4.55	0.00	0.00
Not asked (heated homes with no attached garage)	1.12	1.41	2.99	1.41	2.99	0.00	0.00
Not asked (unheated homes, apartments, and mobile homes)	0.37	2.03	0.70	2.25	5.74	4.13	0.64
<b>Humidifier usage</b>							
Uses a humidifier	1.47	1.48	3.59	1.42	6.48	12.55	4.33
Uses only occasionally	3.83	4.22	6.49	4.19	10.21	23.20	7.99
Uses only during winter months	1.73	1.74	5.27	1.65	9.57	16.07	6.19
Uses about half of the year	6.35	6.43	13.06	6.32	20.45	43.13	17.11
Uses all or almost all of the year	5.07	5.13	12.26	5.19	16.35	33.03	14.13
Does not use a humidifier	0.46	0.74	1.19	0.69	2.43	4.82	1.11

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Office of Energy Demand and Integrated Statistics, Form EIA-457A of the 2020 Residential Energy Consumption Survey

Notes: See RECS Terminology for the definitions of terms used in these tables.

<sup>a</sup> Total U.S. includes all primary occupied housing units in the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Vacant housing units, seasonal units, second homes, military houses, and group quarters are excluded.

<sup>b</sup> Rent includes households that occupy their primary housing units without paying rent.

<sup>c</sup> Some other fuel includes coal and district steam.