

Study Overview

We're looking for Twin Cities area households buying a new electric clothes dryer valued at \$900 or more to participate in a research study of dryer usage and performance. Participants earn up to \$250 for testing out two dryers (the one they bought and one the study supplies). Plus, they will help inform Minnesota's energy providers on the performance of new clothes dryer technology. This information will allow Minnesota energy providers to make informed decisions about future rebates for clothes dryers. For more information, please contact the study team or speak with your participating retailer.



Interested in Participating?

What do I need to do if I participate?

- Coordinate with us on dryer selection and scheduling a visit to install equipment
- Participate in an intake and exit interview by telephone
- Keep a dryer journal for 10 weeks for each dryer
- Weigh your laundry (with a special internet-connected scale)

What are the benefits of participating?

1. Receive up to \$250 as a thank you
2. Try out two different dryers and keep the one that you prefer
3. Get a free air leakage test (blower door test) of your home
4. Experience a bona fide research study
5. Help inform Minnesota energy providers' conservation programs

What will the study team do in my house?

Initially

- Install energy meter at circuit breaker box
- Install temperature and humidity sensors in the laundry area
- Conduct an air leakage test of your home



After 6 months

- Swap out dryers for you
- Provide a higher end second dryer (purchased by study team)



After 12 months

- Install the dryer you choose to keep
- Remove all measurement equipment and the extra dryer



What else might I want to know?

The study is funded by a Minnesota Department of Commerce Conservation Applied Research and Development grant.

You will try out two different dryers for six months each while we monitor their performance. One dryer will be a heat pump dryer.

Study participation does not affect **your manufacturer's warranty**.

We will report only anonymous data; your personal in-home dryer usage data remains private.

In-home visits will be performed by the Twin Cities based Center for Energy and Environment.



If you have additional questions regarding the study or would like to learn more about how to participate, please contact Evergreen Economics or visit the study website below.

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