Evaluation of the Cariteam-Energiesparservice in Frankfurt am Main (May 2009)

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Objectives

- Acceptance of and contentment with advice that is offered
- Financial and economic effects through savings

Design of the evaluation

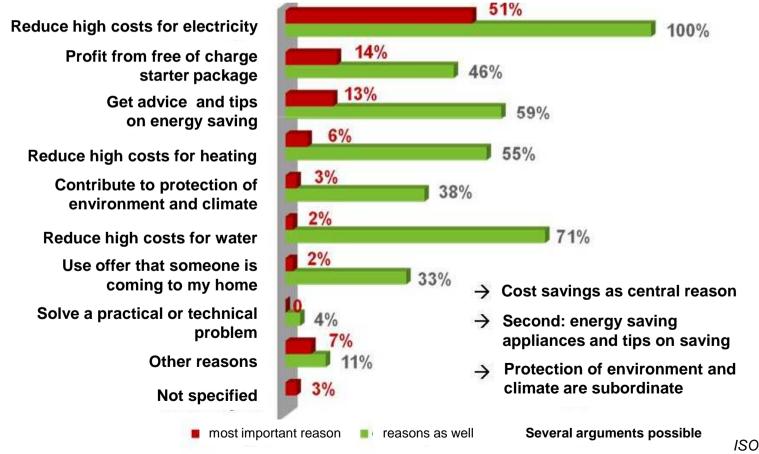
- Analysing group: 400 households who have used the Energiesparservice in 2007/2008
- Evaluation of consumption-related data and number of installed saving devices (n=287)
- Pre-phase: 5 qualitative interviews
- Standardised interviews (face-to-face) in households Febr./March 2009 (n=118),
 - satisfaction, acceptance, etc.
 - use of installed products and behaviour changes
 - socio-demographie

Calculation of total savings

- Saving potential on basis of the installed equipment
- Correction factor...
 - because devices were uninstalled or broken
 - because of less amount of using of the devices (e.g. switch out power strips)
- Added savings based on behaviour changes (implementation of tips)

Reasons for contacting the Cariteam-Energiesparservice

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What were your reasons for contacting the *Cariteam-Energiesparservice*?
What did you expect to get?
(aided question)

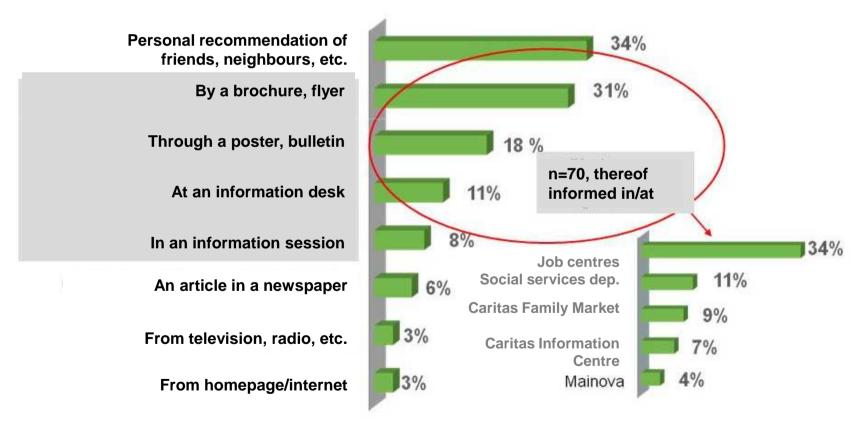


Promotion of the Cariteam-Energiesparservice

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Multiple answers possible

How and where did you get to know the Cariteam-Energiesparservice?

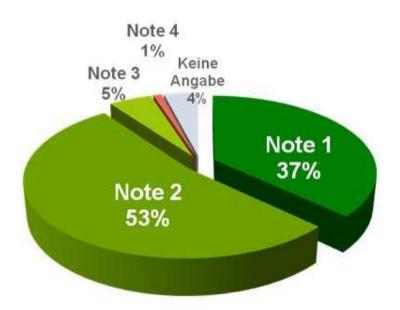


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Assessment of the Cariteam-Energiesparservice (grades)

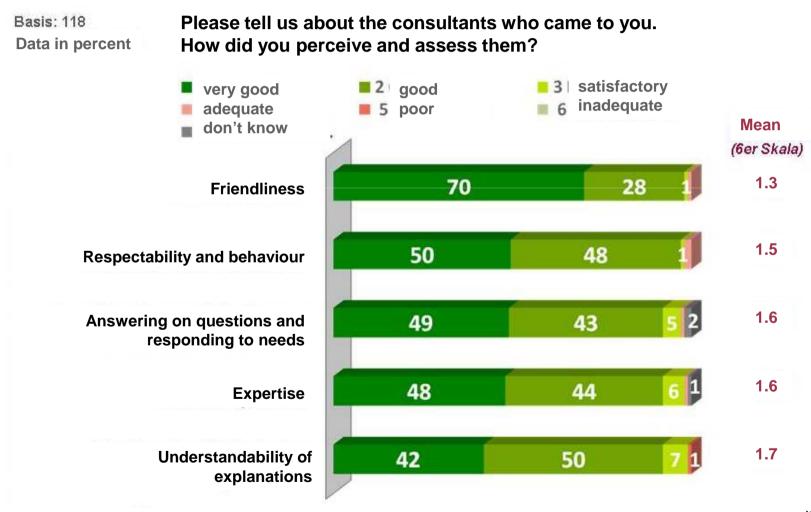
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How satisfied are you with the Cariteam-Energiesparservice altogether? Please use school grades from 1 to 6.



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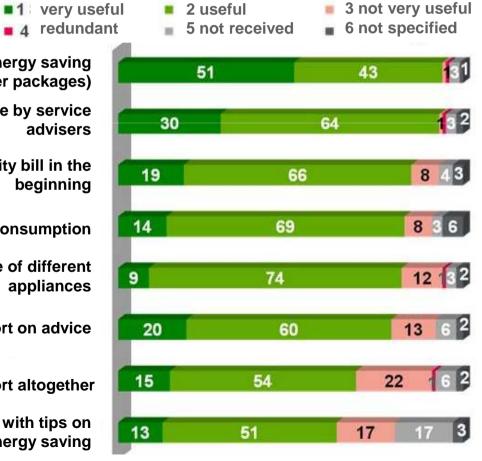
Perception and assessment of advisers



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Usefulness of components of the Cariteam-Energiesparservice

 Please tell us about the different components of the Cariteam-Energiesparservice, how helpful and useful would you rate them?



Installation of energy saving applicances (starter packages)

Tips on saving and advice by service advisers

Review of electricity bill in the beginning

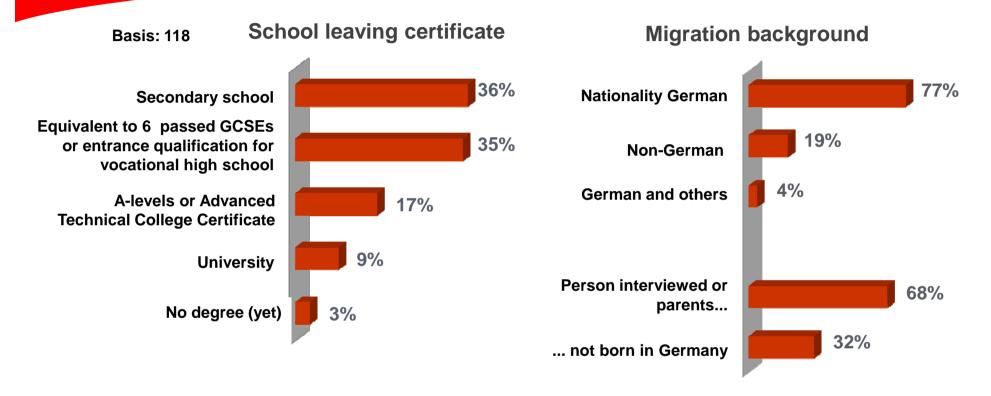
Measuring of electricity consumption

Questions on useful life of different appliances

Review of report on advice

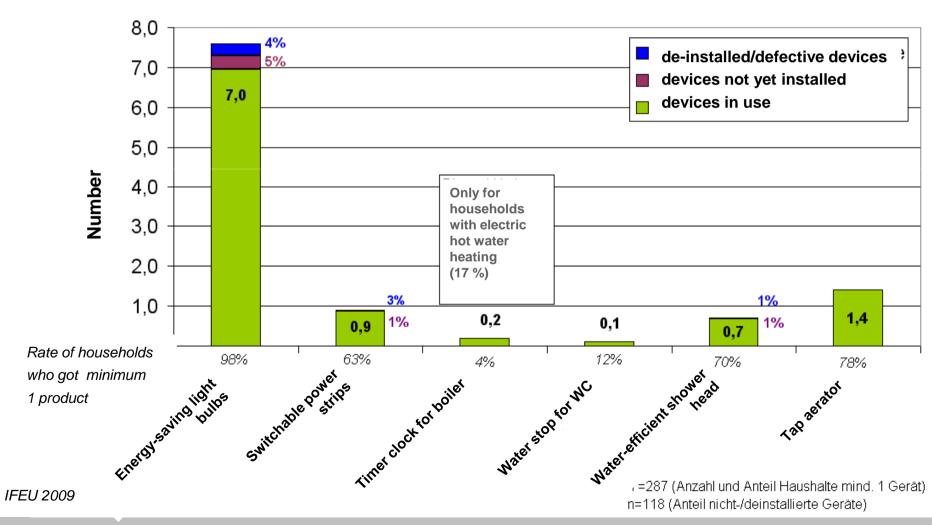
The written report altogether

The additional brochure and list with tips on energy saving



- → the average eduactional is higher than the average eduaction in the city of frankfurt
- → about one third of the interviewed people have a migration background
- → wide variaty in nationalities

Average number of saving devices installed per household per check

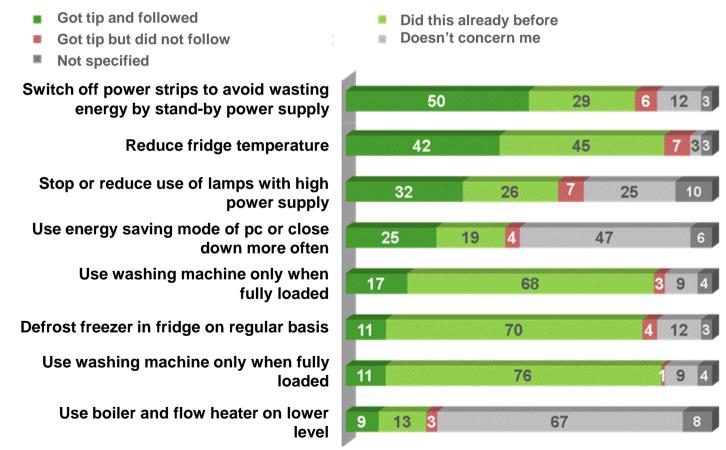


Implementation of tips on saving electricity

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Data in percent

Please tell me which of those you got, which of them you followed or had been following before.



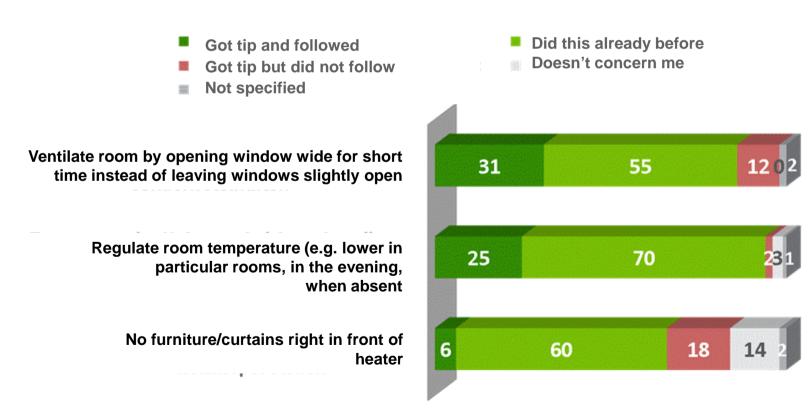
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Implementation of advices on saving heat energy

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Data in percent

Please tell me which of those tips did you get, which of them did you follow or had been following before.



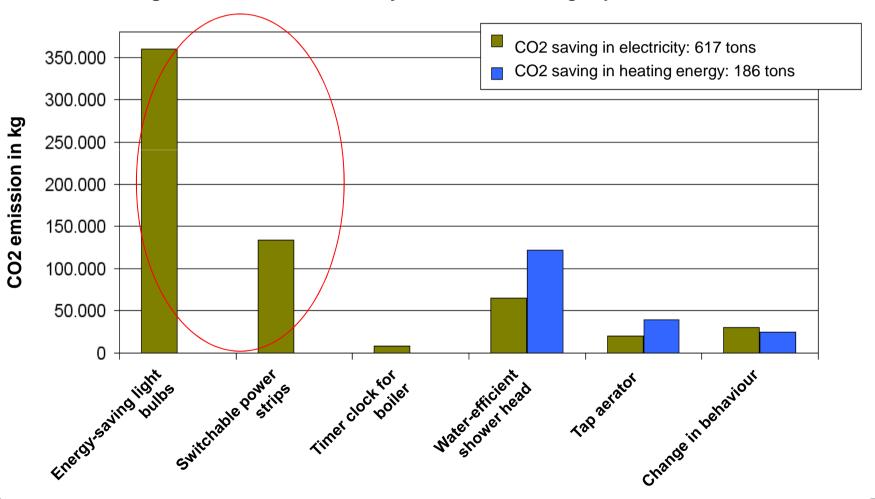
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		ermittelte Einspareffekte (Durchschnitt)		
	kWh/m³	Euro	CO ₂ (kg)	
Einsparungen aufgrund installierter Geräte /Jahr				
durchschn. Stromeinsparung (kWh)	361			
durchschnittl. Wassereinsparung (m³)	17,8			
durchschnittl. Heizenergieeinsparung (kWh)	195			
zusätzliche Einsparung durch Nutzerverhalten /Jahr				Average
Strom (kWh)	62			savings per
Wasser (m³)				household p.a.
Heizenergie (kWh)	150			1
Summe durchschn. Einsparung pro Haushalt / Jahr				
durchschn. Stromeinsparung (kWh)	422	90 €	259	
durchschnittl. Wassereinsparung (m³)	17,8	67 €		Average
durchschnittl. Heizenergieeinsparung (kWh)	345	17€	71	savings in total
		174 € 🛣	330	per check
Einsparung über (Lebens)dauer Maßnahme pro Haushalt				
durchschn. Stromeinsparung (kWh)	2.517	536 €	1.543	
durchschnittl. Wassereinsparung (m³)	178	669€		
durchschnittl. Heizenergieeinsparung (kWh)	2.246	111 €	465	Average savings
		1.316 €	2.008 ←	in CO ₂ per check
Hochrechnung auf 400 Haushalte				
durchschn. Stromeinsparung (kWh)	1.006.752	214.438 €	617.139	
durchschnittl. Wassereinsparung (m³)	71.026	267.769€		Total savings for
durchschnittl. Heizenergieeinsparung (kWh)	898.536	44.267 €	185.955	400 checks
		526.474 €	803.094	

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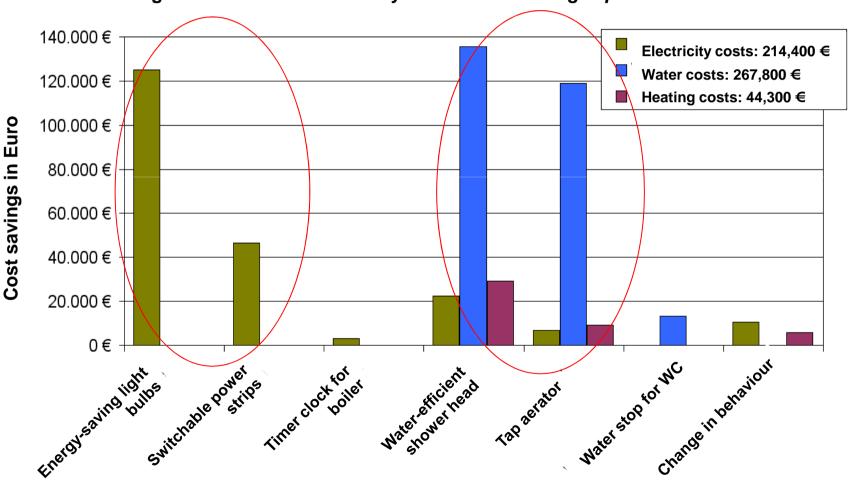
Savings in CO₂ due to saving measures

Long-term due to 400 checks by the Cariteam-Energiesparservice



Cost savings due to energy and water saving measures

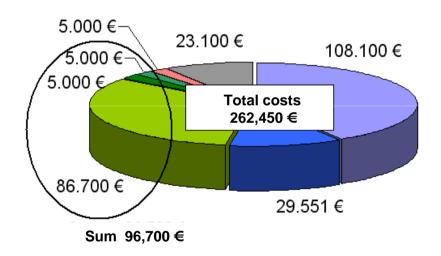
Long-term due to 400 checks by the Cariteam-Energiesparservice

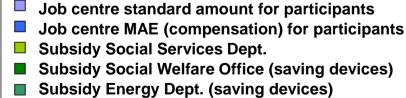


Without consiceration of future increase in prices for energy and water

Costs of the project and savings (cost-benefit-ratio) Due to 400 checks in the two years 2007 and 2008

Project costs and funding





- **Subsidy Mainova (saving devices)**
- Other subsidies

Savings in households after check and for the City of Frankfurt (long-term)



- **Total savings households Total savings municipality**
- Co-funding by municipality: 96,700 €
- Savings for municipality: at least 113,00 €

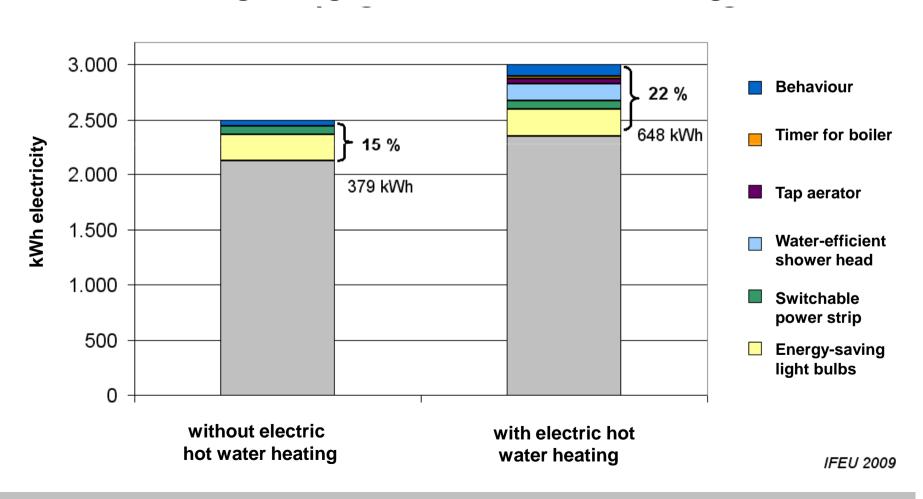
Factors for Success

- New Cooperation of actors from different backgrounds:
 - social services (job centres, social departments, welfare organisations, etc.),
 - actors from environmental area and energy suppliers (energy departments and agencies, energy supply companies)
- The Energiesparservice is regarded as a social offer rather than an ecological offer, the priority is on saving money
- Installation of high-value water and energy saving devices for free and advice on how to save energy at one's own home
- Caritas as a well-known welfare organisation is independent and trustable
- Approach via familiar ways of communication (information e.g. in job centres, housing offices)
- Service consultants share the experiences of the target group (advice on "eye level")
- Integration of water saving measures leads to savings for municipalities

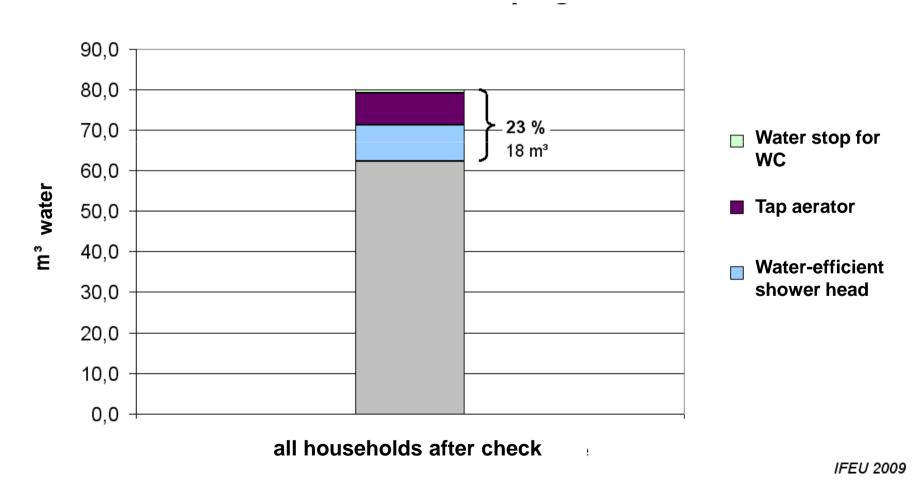
Thank you very much for your attention

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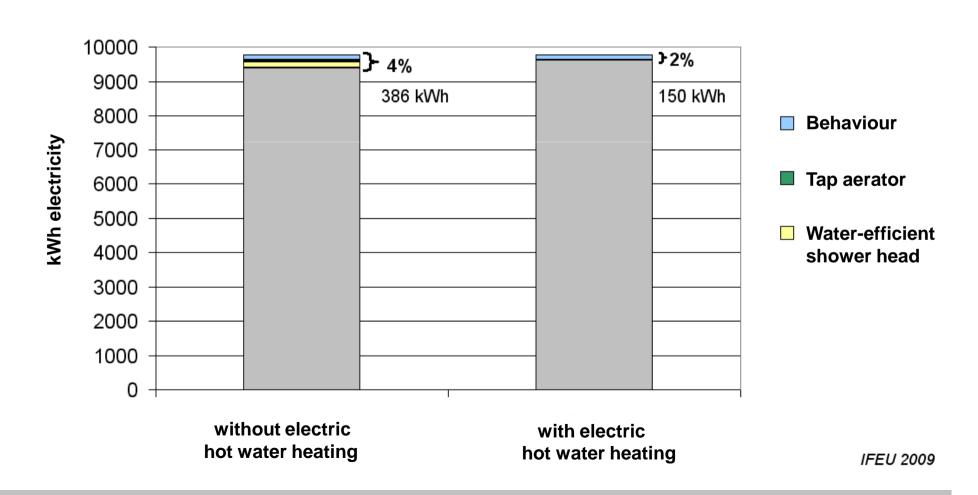
Average yearly savings in electricity per household Due to installing saving devices and behaviour changes



Average yearly savings in water per household Due to Installing saving devices



Average yearly savings in heating per household Due to installing saving devices and behaviour changes



Summary of Results

- Target group of low-income households is reached, approx. 30 % have immigration background
- Every check results in savings on average of 174 € per year; people receiving ALG II-/Sozialhilfe save proportionately 90 € in electricity
- In the long term, over useful life of devices, there will be savings of more than 1,300 € (incl. approx. 540 € on electricity) per check and 2 tons of CO₂
- Learning and multiplier effects will be gained
- Total of savings is about twice as high as costs of the project
- Co-funding by the City of Frankfurt will be cost-effective in the long term due to the savings in water and heating
- Climate protection is an additional positive side effect

Comments on the report:

Many households thought the report included too many details and was not easy to understand. Above all, they criticised length and presentation of results:

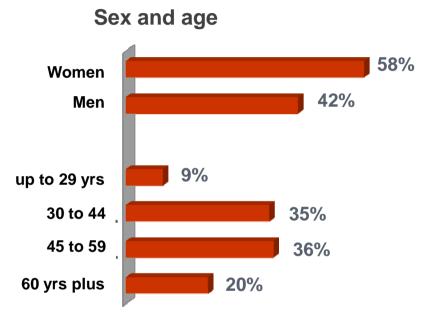
"Too much information, not easy to understand, shorter would be better" "Too many numbers, difficult to understand"

- Information should be kept short and simple, results should be presented more clearly.
- In general, households preferred oral explanation to written report:

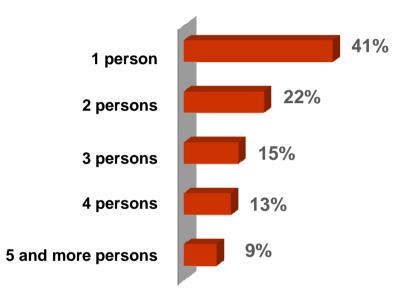
"Less paper, a personal conversation is nicer."

Socio demographics of households





Size of household

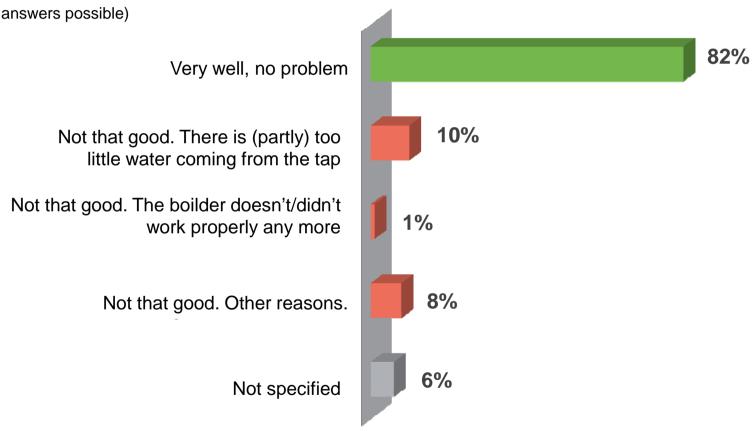


- → women are more interested in getting advice and feel more responsible for energy saving
- → average size of household: 2,27 persons +
- → a disproportionate number of households with 3 and more persons have a migration background

Use of water saving devices installed

Basis: 100

Filter: all households in which water saving devices had been installed (Multiple answers possible) Are those water saving devices installed easy to use, do you get along or is there something that you do not like? (aided question)

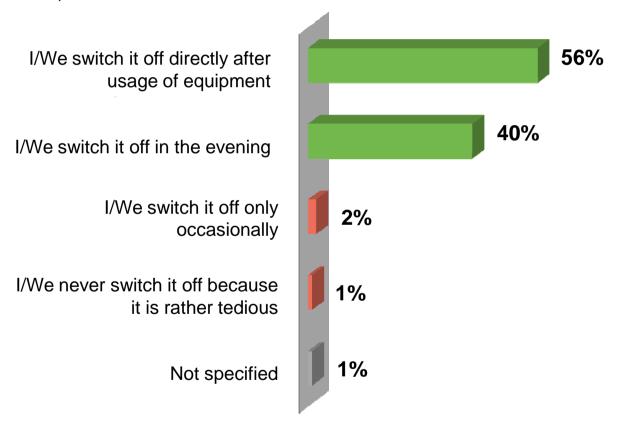


Use of switchable power strips installed

Basis: 84

Filter: all household which got a switchable power strip

How often do you switch off your power strip? (aided question)



Long-term cost savings in the City of Frankfurt due to Cariteam-Energiesparservice in two years

