

Size or cooling capacity in		Annual cost to cool your home if the SEER of the existing unit is					FPL Recommended High-Efficiency Systems Annual cost to cool your home if the SEER is						
Tons	BTU/h	9 (1980s)	10 (1990s)	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
2	24,000	\$900	\$810	\$730	\$670	\$620	\$580	\$540	\$500	\$470	\$450	\$420	\$400
2.5	30,000	\$1,120	\$1,010	\$920	\$840	\$780	\$720	\$670	\$630	\$590	\$560	\$530	\$500
3	36,000	\$1,340	\$1,210	\$1,100	\$1,010	\$930	\$860	\$810	\$760	\$710	\$670	\$640	\$600
3.5	42,000	\$1,570	\$1,410	\$1,280	\$1,180	\$1,090	\$1,010	\$940	\$880	\$830	\$780	\$740	\$710
4	48,000	\$1,790	\$1,610	\$1,470	\$1,340	\$1,240	\$1,150	\$1,080	\$1,010	\$950	\$900	\$850	\$810
4.5	54,000	\$2,020	\$1,810	\$1,650	\$1,510	\$1,400	\$1,300	\$1,210	\$1,130	\$1,070	\$1,010	\$950	\$910
5	60,000	\$2,240	\$2,020	\$1,830	\$1,680	\$1,550	\$1,440	\$1,340	\$1,260	\$1,190	\$1,120	\$1,060	\$1,010

Example: Annual cooling cost to run a 3-ton (36,000 BTU/Hour) installed in the 1990s with a 10 SEER will be \$1,210. If replaced with a new 16 SEER system, the cost drops to \$760 - a savings of \$450 per year.

Costs based on 2,800 annual cooling hours and 12 cents per kWh (average for South Florida).