

COVID-19/Stay-at-Home Orders: U.S. Energy Information Administration Report Notes Reduction in Commercial/Industrial Electricity Use



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The United States Energy Information Administration (“EIA”) issued a June 20th report titled: *Stay-at-Home Orders Led to Less Commercial and Industrial Electricity Use in April (“Report”)*

Electricity sales for April 2020 for three sectors (residential, commercial, industrial) were compared with April 2019.

Residential electricity sales in the United States are stated to have increased 8 % in comparison with April 2019. In fact, United States residential electricity sales in April are stated to have set a record for April. However, commercial and industrial sectors are stated to have decreased 11% and 9%, respectively.

As to commercial electricity and industrial sales, these were stated to have been the lowest since April 2003 (commercial) and April 1987 (industrial).

The figures in the EIA *Report* are stated to reflect temperature values taking into account population-weighted and billing period-weighted combination of daily heating degree day and daily cooling degree day totals.

A copy of the *Report* can be downloaded [here](#).