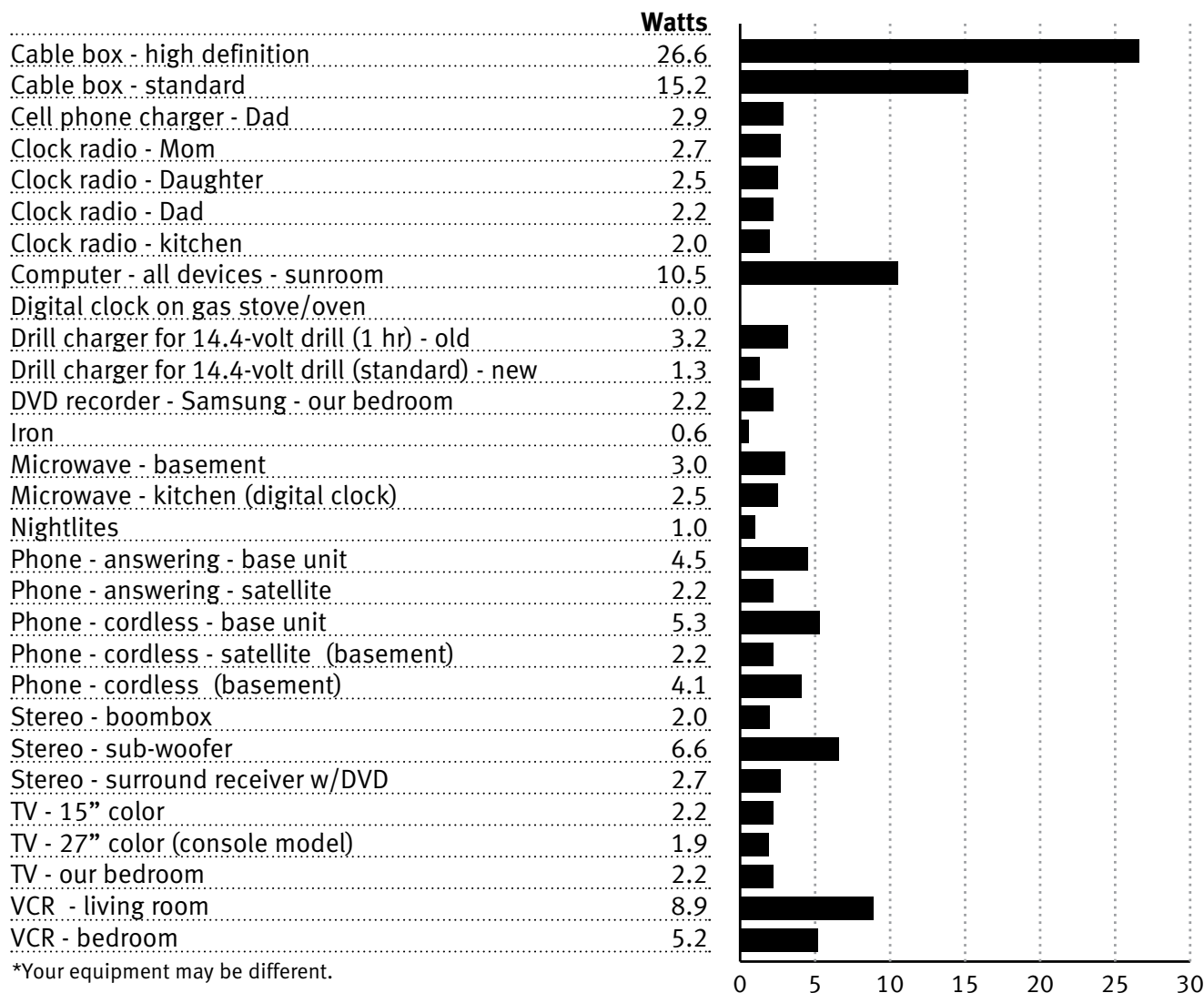


# “Phantom” or “Standby” Electricity Users

## One MGE Family’s Experience\*

Borrow a portable energy meter from your local public library and you, too, can discover what your appliances are using in “standby” mode, even when they are shut off.



\*Your equipment may be different.

Total Standby Watts	<b>128.4</b>
24 hours/day	3,081.6 watt hours
365 days/year	1,124,784 watt hours
divide by 1000	1,125 kilowatt-hours
Cost/kWh = \$0.12	<b>\$134.97 Annual cost</b>
divide by 12	\$11.25 Monthly cost

### Other potential “Standby” uses

- Plug-in air fresheners
- Garage door opener
- Doorbell
- Portable vacuum
- Baby monitor
- CO detector