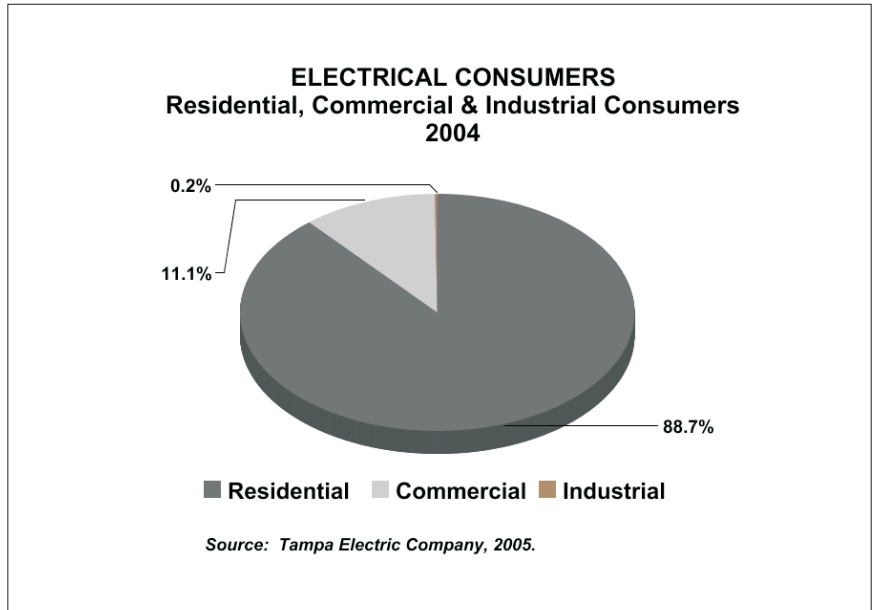

UTILITY SERVICES

ELECTRICITY AND TELEPHONE SERVICES

ELECTRICITY

Hillsborough County's energy costs are comparable to similar major metropolitan cities in the nation. The cost of energy in Hillsborough County ranges between 5.6 and 7.2 cents per kilowatt/hour for commercial and industrial customers. Cost per residential use averages 8.7 cents/kilowatt. Electric services in Hillsborough County is provided by the Tampa Electric Company (TECO). TECO serves over 2,000 square miles of land area including Hillsborough County, parts of Pasco, Pinellas and Polk Counties. Incentive programs provided by the Tampa Electric Company to commercial and industrial customers in Hillsborough County include the **Standby Generation, Conservation Value, Indoor Lighting, Commercial Cooling and Industrial Load Management Programs.**



- *The number of residential consumers served by TECO rose 2.4 percent in 2004. A total of 456,480 residential consumers was served by the company in 2004 compared to 445,516 consumers in 2003. The increase was due in part to increased growth in population and new residential units built in Hillsborough County in 2004.*
- *Growth in commercial-building activity in 2004 resulted in increases in the number of commercial consumers needing electric services in Hillsborough County in 2004. Between 2003 and 2004, TECO served 1,273 new commercial consumers an increase of 2 percent from 2003.*
- *Electric services provided by TECO to industrial consumers in Hillsborough County increased in 2004. A total of 1,025 industrial consumers were provided services by TECO during the year compared to 941 industrial consumers in 2003.*
- *The **Indoor Lighting program** initiated by TECO provides cash incentives to reduce weather-sensitive peaks, by encouraging investment in more efficient lighting technology in commercial facilities.*
- ***TECO's Commercial Cooling Program** offers incentives to consumers to en-*



courage the installation of high efficiency direct-expansion (DX) commercial air conditioning equipment between 65,000 and 240,000 BTU's.

- *TECO's **Industrial Load Management** program is a load management program for large industrial customers that offers monthly incentives for facilities with interruptible loads of 500 kilowatts (KW) or greater.*
- *The **Peoples Gas System**, a subsidiary of **TECO Energy** provides natural gas for Hillsborough County. Natural gas consumption for residential and industrial uses rose 2.9 percent in 2004 (149 million therms).*

TELEPHONE SERVICES

- *Verizon, Bell South, Adephia, MCI, InterMedia and Time Warner Telecommunications are the primary providers of telecommunication services in Hillsborough County.*



ELECTRICAL POWER CONSUMERS
Hillsborough County
1994 - 2004

Year	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Other	Total
1994	358,515	44,301	421	2,911	406,148
1995	365,626	45,050	401	2,999	414,076
1996	373,659	45,992	406	3,077	423,134
1997	382,259	47,441	490	3,207	433,397
1998	390,286	48,874	518	3,408	443,086
1999	399,623	50,213	563	3,811	454,210
2000	412,047	51,765	589	3,983	468,384
2001	424,186	53,117	651	4,101	482,055
2002	434,848	54,356	732	4,466	489,940
2003	445,516	55,582	941	4,832	506,871
2004	456,480	56,855	1,025	4,883	519,243

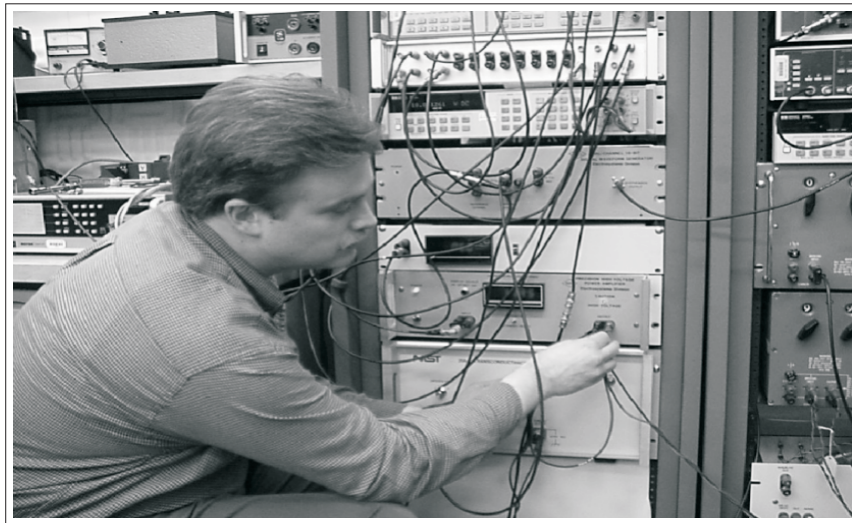
Source: Tampa Electric Company, 2005.

ELECTRICAL POWER CONSUMPTION
Hillsborough County
1993 - 2004

Average Annual Consumption Per Kilowatt-Hour & Megawatt-Hour			
Year	Residential (KWH)	Commercial (KWH)	Industrial (MWH)
1993	13,736	89,852	2,119
1994	14,069	90,878	2,143
1995	14,709	91,698	2,247
1996	14,982	91,538	1,973
1997	14,391	90,196	2,071
1998	15,245	92,540	1,851
1999	14,721	93,297	1,839
2000	15,109	95,840	2,285
2001	15,137	94,695	2,371
2002	15,610	94,783	2,311
2003	15,661	93,235	1,686
2004	15,350	92,915	1,591

Note: KWH - kilowatt-hour, MWH - megawatt-hour.

Source: Tampa Electric Company, 2005.



MEGAWATTS - HOURS X 1000
Hillsborough County
1992 - 2004

Year	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Other	Total
1992	4,713	3,819	1,125	936	10,593
1993	4,842	3,904	890	973	10,609
1994	5,044	4,026	902	1,020	10,992
1995	5,378	4,131	901	1,069	11,479
1996	5,598	4,210	801	1,091	11,700
1997	5,501	4,279	1,015	1,109	11,904
1998	5,950	4,523	959	1,161	12,593
1999	5,882	4,684	1,036	1,106	12,757
2000	6,225	4,961	1,346	1,210	13,742
2001	6,421	5,030	1,543	1,238	14,232
2002	6,787	5,152	1,692	1,300	14,931
2003	6,977	5,182	1,686	1,403	15,248
2004	7,007	5,283	1,631	1,463	15,834

Note: 1,000 kilowatts equal 1 megawatt

Source: Tampa Electric Company, 2005.

NATURAL GAS CONSUMPTION
Hillsborough County
1990 - 2004

Year	Total Therms
1990	65,511,690
1991	64,471,421
1992	63,351,106
1993	64,704,766
1994	65,000,000
1995	64,074,245
1996	57,360,435
1997	54,368,167
1998	58,313,204
1999	59,322,605
2000	60,644,975
2001	128,710,792
2002	131,716,300
2003	144,798,357
2004	149,078,955

Therms: Unit of heat

Source: TECO/People's Gas , 2005.

LAND-LINE TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS
Hillsborough County
1993 - 2003

Year	Total
1993	526,880
1994	552,000
1995	569,897
1996	623,395
1997	668,337
1998	696,459
1999	711,056
2000	725,545
2001	734,278
2002	753,267
2003	773,267

Source: VerizonCommunications, Inc., 2004.