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## AVERAGE HVACR TARIFF RATES

(Calculated Duties / Customs Value)



Source: U.S. International Trade Commission, HARDI estimates

Note: These estimates should not be interpreted as the actual rate being paid on imported products, but rather the average across all HVACR product types. All HVACR reflects the average tariff rate across all imported HVACR products; Sec. 232 refers to the average rate across all HVACR products subject to metal derivatives tariffs, and HVACR ex 232 refers to the rate on products not subject to Sec. 232 metal derivatives tariffs.

The Supreme Court handed down a significant trade policy decision last week, and the headlines made it sound like relief was on the way. For HVACR distributors, contractors, and manufacturers trying to manage HVAC tariff costs, the reality is more complicated than the news cycle suggests. The Court struck down one major tariff mechanism. Several others remain fully intact, a new one was imposed the same day, and prices on the materials that matter most to this industry have not budged.

Source: Chuck Labow via HVACRTrends website article

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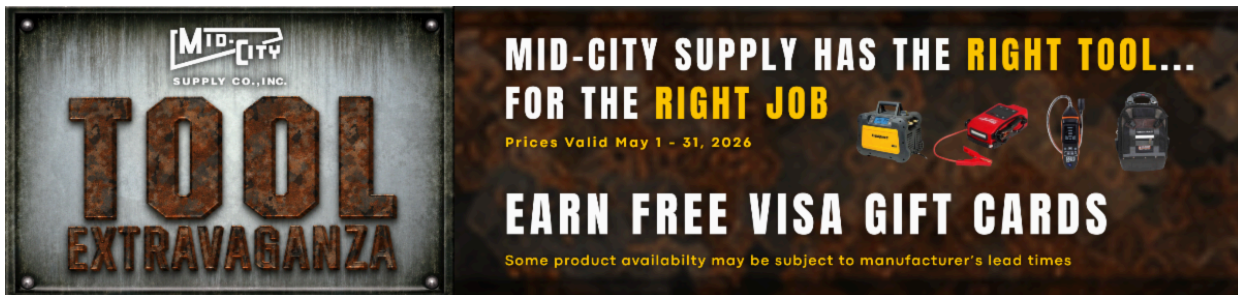
## Commercial Water Heater – DOE Enforcement Policy Statement

Issued: April 24, 2026

In an exercise of its enforcement discretion, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) will not seek civil penalties concerning violations of the energy conservation standards in 10 CFR 431.110(a) and/or the certification requirements in 10 CFR 429.12 with respect to the thermal efficiency (TE) standards for gas-fired storage water heaters and storage-type instantaneous water heaters and gas-fired instantaneous water heaters and hot water supply boilers manufactured on or after October 6, 2026, but before October 6, 2027.

Source: [energy.gov](https://www.energy.gov) press release

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## How to Beat Back a Bad Day and Stay Professional

**In the trades, frustrating days are inevitable. What's important is how you choose to respond to them.**

Bad days are part of life in the trades, from packed schedules to difficult customers and constant setbacks. But the technicians who stand out are the ones who stay professional under pressure. How you respond when things go wrong doesn't go unnoticed—it shapes your reputation with customers, coworkers, and supervisors alike.

*Source: Amanda Clark via Plumber.com website article*

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## Trump Administration Backs Push for Supreme Court to Scrap Gas Furnace Rule

**Federal standard requiring 95% AFUE furnaces faces renewed legal challenge.**

The Energy Department's 2023 rule requires all residential gas furnaces manufactured after December 18, 2028, to meet a 95% AFUE rating, a standard that industry groups argue could effectively eliminate non-condensing models. After a federal appeals court upheld the rule in 2025, gas industry groups appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court in 2026, with support from trade associations and state attorneys general. The Department of Justice has now also backed efforts to overturn the rule.

*Source: Deidre Funcheon via Home Pros website article*

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## AI Can't Fix a Leak

**Why automation may elevate skilled trades in the future labor market.**

Automation and robotics are advancing quickly, but some skilled trades remain difficult to replace. In a recent discussion on future technology and AI-driven industries, Uber co-founder Travis Kalanick highlighted that roles like plumbing are far less susceptible to automation. As AI expands into physical industries, experts suggest skilled trades may become even more valuable rather than replaced.

*Source: Kristen R. Bayles via PM Magazine website editorial*

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## American Energy Dominance Act: What It Means for HVAC

**Congress weighs a bill to revive key energy tax credits for HVAC and sheet metal**

The American Energy Dominance Act (H.R. 8477) proposes major changes to federal tax incentives that support HVAC and sheet metal work. The legislation would make the Section 179D deduction permanent and extend the 45L new energy-efficient home credit through 2032, addressing concerns that current incentives are set to expire in 2026. Supporters say the changes would provide long-term certainty for energy efficiency projects and help prevent delays or cancellations.



*Source: Austin Keating via SNIPS News website article*

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## Burnt Toast, Stoics, and Finding Growth in Small Frustrations

**New study shows dogs impact IAQ as much as humans**

A harsh New England winter led one writer to reflect on the “burnt-toast theory” — the idea that small frustrations can sometimes lead to positive outcomes. From finding quiet moments for creativity while snow blowing to appreciating the benefits of winter activities, the article explores how accepting inconveniences rather than resisting them can shift perspective and encourage personal growth.

*Editor's Note – Marcus Aurelius, Theodore Roosevelt and Arnold Schwarzenegger were/are stoic followers ~ Joe Velleman*

*Source: Barry Brownstein via The Epoch Times website article*

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## Using Pets as a Means to Sell More IAQ

### New study shows dogs impact IAQ as much as humans

I have a whippet named Eleanor “Ellie” Taft Wilson Harding Coolidge Roosevelt. For those of you unfamiliar with whippets, they sleep 18 hours a day and, in their heyday, run about 35 mph. At 11 years old, Ellie doesn’t run very fast anymore, but she sleeps even more, usually under a blanket. Whippets aren’t supposed to shed much, which is one of the reasons we chose the breed.

Unfortunately, Ellie has a medical condition that requires medication that causes shedding, so instead of vacuuming once a day, we vacuum ... more than that.

*Source: Hannah Belloli via ACHR News website blog*

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## Late Night Host Takes Shot at Plumbing Industry

### Jimmy Kimmel’s recent joke drew criticism from plumbing professionals.

ABC late night host Jimmy Kimmel recently mocked the plumbing industry during a political segment, joking about former plumber and current Homeland Security Secretary Markwayne Mullin. The comments sparked frustration within the trades, with critics arguing the joke unfairly dismissed the skill and professionalism required in the plumbing industry.

*Source: Kyle Gargaro via PM Magazine website editorial*

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## Scientists Studied the Perfect Oreo Dunk

### Researchers say timing matters when it comes to milk and cookies.

Scientists have actually studied the ideal way to dunk cookies in milk, using concepts like capillary action to measure how liquid moves through porous materials. After earlier research on British biscuits, scientists at the University of Utah later determined the perfect dunk time for an Oreo — proving there really is a science behind milk and cookies.

*Source: Darren Orf via Interesting Facts website article*

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