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## RESULTS

# 600 kWh per Year

Month	Solar Radiation ( kWh / m <sup>2</sup> / day )	AC Energy ( kWh )	Energy Value ( \$ )
January	2.89	43	4.40
February	3.57	48	4.91
March	4.07	58	5.96
April	4.15	55	5.63
May	4.62	60	6.08
June	4.34	52	5.32
July	4.41	54	5.51
August	4.47	56	5.74
September	4.52	57	5.82
October	3.62	48	4.91
November	2.66	36	3.67
December	2.27	32	3.26
<b>Annual</b>	<b>3.80</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>\$ 61</b>

### Location and Station Identification

Requested Location	48174
Weather Data Source	DETROIT METROPOLITAN ARPT, MI (TMY3)
Latitude	42.22° N
Longitude	83.35° W

### PV System Specifications (Residential)

DC Rating	0.8 kW
DC to AC Derate Factor	0.585225
Array Type	Fixed (open rack)
Array Tilt	65.52°
Array Azimuth	180°

### Initial Economic Comparison

Average Cost of Electricity Purchased from Utility	0.10 \$/kWh
Cost of Electricity Generated by System	0.40 \$/kWh

These values can be compared to get an idea of the cost-effectiveness of this system. However, system costs, system financing options (including 3rd party ownership) and complex utility rates can significantly change the relative value of the PV system.



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## RESULTS

# 426 kWh per Year

Month	Solar Radiation ( kWh / m <sup>2</sup> / day )	AC Energy ( kWh )	Energy Value ( \$ )
January	2.61	-4 39 < 43	3.94
February	3.07	-7 41 < 48	4.16
March	3.24	45 < 58	4.60
April	2.93	36 < 55	3.69
May	2.94	+26 34 < 60	3.44
June	2.65	+25 27 < 52	2.78
July	2.73	+25 29 < 54	2.94
August	3.04	+21 35 < 56	3.58
September	3.47	42 < 57	4.28
October	2.98	39 < 48	3.97
November	2.36	-5 31 < 36	3.20
December	2.06	-4 28 < 32	2.91
Annual	2.84	426	\$ 43

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### PV System Specifications (Residential)

DC Rating	0.8 kW
DC to AC Derate Factor	0.585225
Array Type	Fixed (open rack)
Array Tilt	90°
Array Azimuth	180°

### Initial Economic Comparison

Average Cost of Electricity Purchased from Utility	0.10 \$/kWh
Cost of Electricity Generated by System	0.56 \$/kWh

These values can be compared to get an idea of the cost-effectiveness of this system. However, system costs, system financing options (including 3rd party ownership) and complex utility rates can significantly change the relative value of the PV system.