Residential Registered Vendor Monthly Newsletter November 12, 2025



- 1) Improved List of Rebate-Eligible Heat Pumps The updated list is based on performance thresholds selected to ensure all heat pumps are appropriate for Maine's cold climate (see "Specifications" tab for details), and is accompanied by extensive performance data. Almost all of the heat pumps we've rebated over the course of the last two years are still on the list. Moving forward, the list will be updated regularly.
- 2) Innovation Opportunities Toward Electrification in Maine Request for Information (RFI) asks for priorities and designs that should be considered for pilot programs to be funded in Maine through the New England Heat Pump Accelerator (Accelerator) over the next several years. This RFI seeks input and suggestions about innovative applications of heat pump equipment and/or HVAC system designs that could help transform the market for, and spur widespread adoption of, heat pumps and heat pump water heaters in Maine. Responses are due by November 14, 2025.
- 3) Heat Pump Customer Survey A recent survey of heat pump customers finds that an installer's confidence in the ability of heat pumps to act as primary heating is paramount to the customer's confidence in their new heating system.
- 4) Health and Safety Risk is the Only Acceptable Reason For Omitting Pre-Upgrade

 Blower Door Test Results If there's anything else that stands in the way of completing
 a blower door test (e.g., construction), then the test and the upgrade should be
 scheduled for a later time.
- 5) Selecting the Right Heat Pump Capacity In the absence of a manufacturer-claimed capacity at a temperature that is closer to (and not above) design temperature, the maximum capacity at the lowest cataloged temperature (LCT) should be used. This information can now be found in our <u>updated list of rebate-eligible heat pumps</u>.
- **6) Giving Thanks During the Holidays** As Thanksgiving approaches, we'd like to take a moment to express our gratitude for all the hard work and dedication that goes into skillfully upgrading so many homes and driving consistently high levels of customer satisfaction. Thank you, and happy holidays!

7) Heat Pump Installation Training Opportunities – The following courses are being offered by Efficiency Maine Registered Trainers. Click here to apply for a scholarship covering 50% of the cost up to a \$500 scholarship per employee.

Dates	Course Title	Location	Registration Information
12/8/2025 – 1/4/2026	Heat Pump Systems	Northeast Technical Institute	Click for course information
1/5/2026 – 1/9/2026	Heat Pump Installer	Central Maine Community College	Click for course information
1/5/2026 - 1/9/2026	Heat Pump Installer	Kennebec Valley Community College	Click for course information
1/5/2026 – 3/25/2026	Heat Pump Installer	Portland Adult Education	Click for course information

8) Weatherization Training Opportunities – Build Green Maine is offering BPI training and testing classes. If interested, please follow this link to the <u>BPI course registration</u>. You can request a scholarship by filling out our scholarship <u>form</u>.

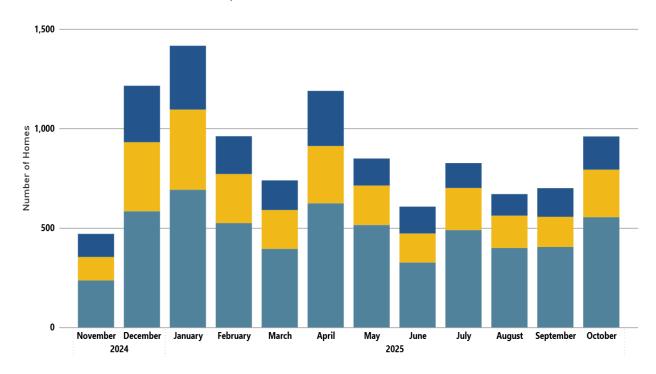
Dates	Course Title	Location	Registration Information
12/15/2025	Building Science Principles	Build Green Maine	Click for course information
12/17/202 – 12/18/2025	Building Analyst Professional	Build Green Maine	Click for course information

- 9) Top Residential Insulation Performers (past four months)
 - a. Evergreen Home Performance
 - b. Mattra Inc
 - c. TC Hafford Waterproofing
- 10) Top Residential Whole-Home Heat Pump Performers (past four months)
 - a. Dave's World
 - b. Valley Home Services
 - c. Heat Pumps of Maine

PROGRAM RESULTS

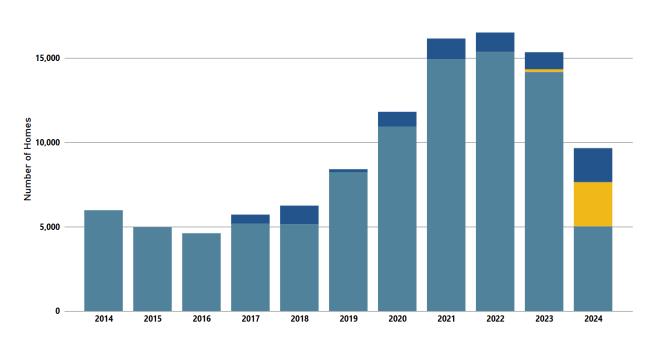
Number of Whole-Home Heat Pump Rebates by rebate category*

• Any Income • Moderate Income • Low Income



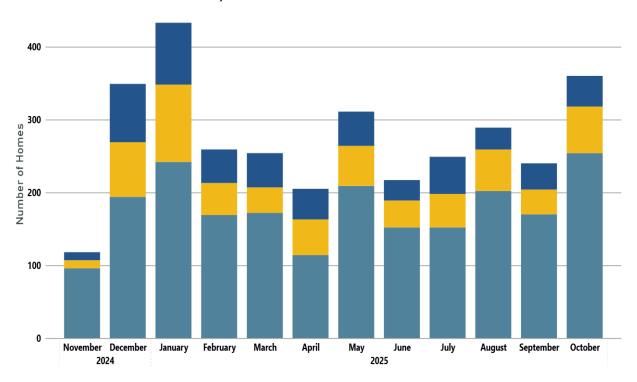
Over 100,000 Homes Have Received Heat Pump Rebates (shown by rebate category)*

• Any Income • Moderate Income • Low Income



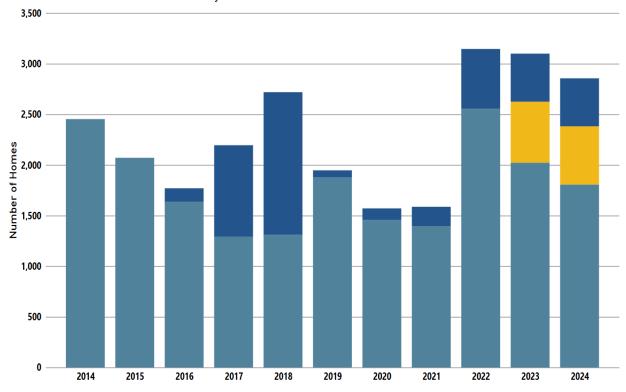
Number of Homes Weatherized in Last 12 Months by rebate category*

• Any Income • Moderate Income • Low Income



Over 25,000 Homes Have Been Weatherized (shown by rebate category)*

• Any Income • Moderate Income • Low Income



*Notes:

- 1. "Any Income" is Efficiency Maine's standard rebate available to any residential customer completing an eligible project. A portion of these rebates may include low- or moderate-income individuals who decided not to verify their income with Efficiency Maine or who do not qualify based on specific program definitions.
- 2. Enhanced Heat Pump "Moderate Income" rebates were launched in September 2023. Enhanced Insulation "Moderate Income" rebates were launched in January 2023.
- 3. The drop in November 2024 activity and a portion of the increases in December and January 2025 were due to a technical issue that prevented rebate processing in November and shifted processing that activity to subsequent months.