

	Home Standby Generators	Portable Generators
Uses	Are installed at your home as a permanent backup-power solution	Are easily transportable to family and friends in need of backup power
Starting	Sense when power is lost and automatically start, whether you're home or away	Must be connected in person since they don't automatically start when power is lost
Connecting	Are hardwired to your home's electrical system	Require manual connection via a transfer switch or extension cord
Refueling	Run on natural gas or a propane tank, eliminating the need to refuel	Need refueling every 6 to 12 hours, depending on workload and fuel tank size
Capacity	Keep your whole home or just select circuits powered	Are best suited for powering smaller key appliances and lights
Monitoring	Can have performance monitored from a smartphone, tablet or computer	Must have performance monitored in person