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# IDL at a GLANCE



## WHO WE ARE

The IDL is operated by the **Department of Architecture** in the **College of Built Environments** at the **University of Washington** in the **Center for Integrated Design**. We are a self-sustaining organization of interdisciplinary faculty, staff, students, professional collaborators, and partner organizations working together to push the boundary on what's possible in sustainable building design. Our shared mission is to discover solutions that overcome the most difficult building performance barriers, and to meet the building industry's goals of moving towards radically higher performing buildings and healthy urban environments.

## OUR WORK

The Integrated Design Lab's mission is underpinned by three service streams that work in tandem to promote an energy efficient, healthy built environment:



**Knowledge Transfer through Education and Outreach** – We share technical knowledge and lessons learned with our commercial clients and industry partners through professional education programs and public tours of the Bullitt Center.

**Discovery through Research** – We perform targeted research projects on high performance buildings in order to discover new technologies and strategies for healthy, energy efficient buildings.

**Guidance through Technical Assistance** – We apply our research findings by providing technical design assistance that translates new strategies and technologies to building project teams and industry partners.

The outcomes of our work intersect with people, policies, cities and buildings, and markets. Work examples are highlighted throughout this report. **In the past decade the Integrated Design Lab has produced:**



144 PAPERS PUBLISHED  
& JOURNAL ARTICLES,  
AND 437 CONFERENCE  
PRESENTATIONS



DIRECT PROJECT  
INFLUENCE ON OVER  
65,000,000 SQUARE  
FEET OF COMMERCIAL  
BUILDINGS



OVER 94,830 HOURS OF  
PAID GRADUATE STUDENT  
RESEARCH ENGAGEMENT  
AND MENTORSHIP



OVER 1,900 TOURS  
SERVING OVER 36,500  
PEOPLE VISITING THE  
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- IDL Operating Framework
- Motivation and Awareness Building
  - Rosetta Stone: Research-informed design
  - ROI for High Performance Design
- Technical Pathways and Tools
  - Co-Optimization of operational and embodied carbon
  - Building retrofit pathways for Seattle Housing Authority: EEM tool for energy and cost measure
- Progress Tracking: AIA Energy in Design Award
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# About the UW IDL



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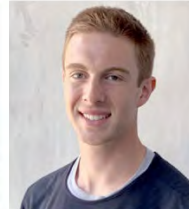
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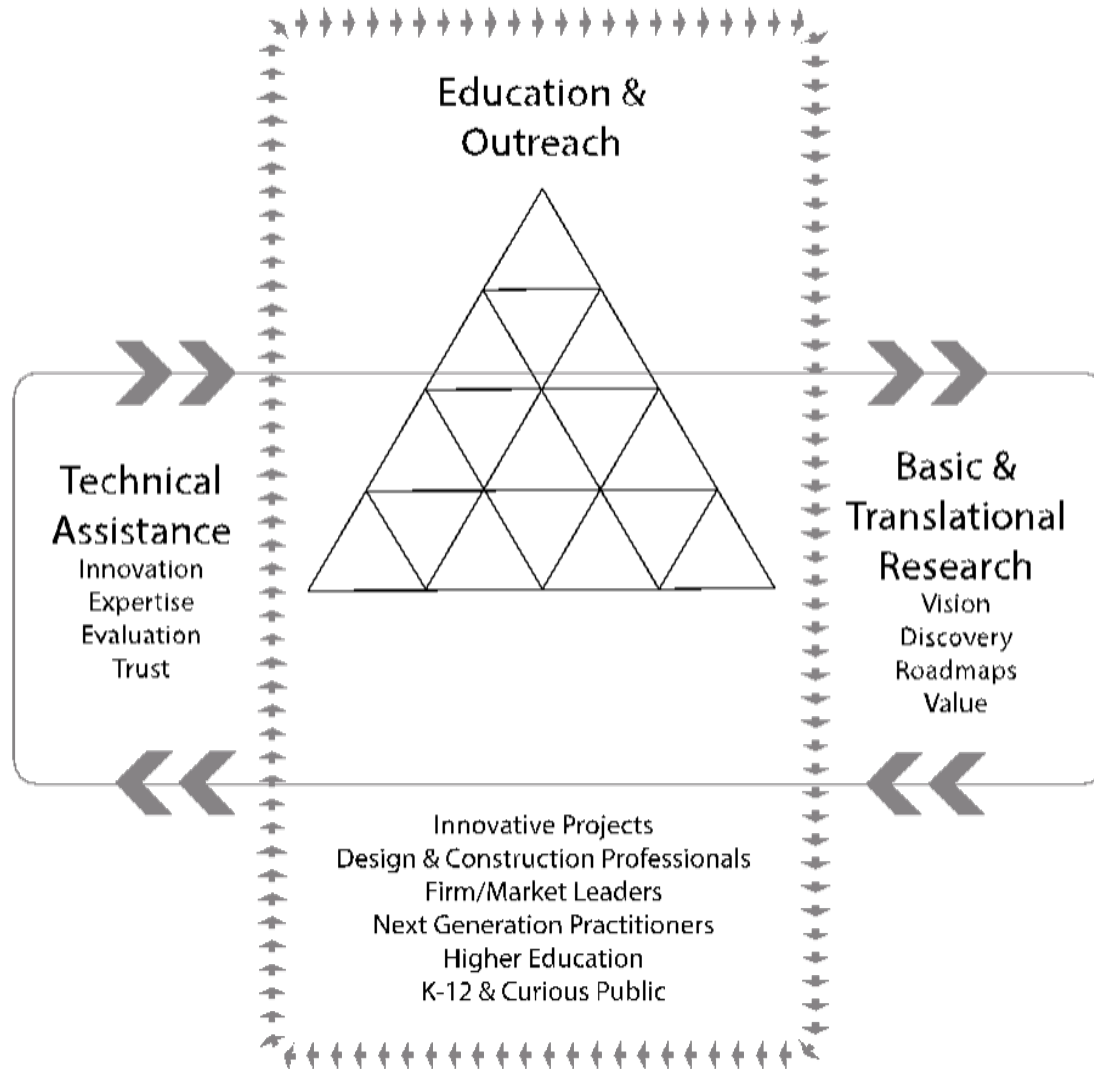


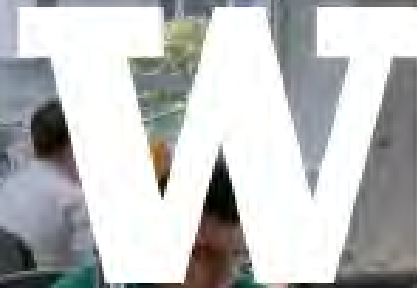
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## Market Transformation





# UW CENTER FOR INTEGRATED DESIGN PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE

Steadfast in our work to advance the highest performing built environment through research, technical assistance, education and outreach, the Center for Integrated Design is uniquely positioned to transform a rapidly evolving energy efficiency space in Seattle, the Pacific Northwest, and beyond. As a technical resource for design practitioners, and a collaborative research space for addressing the most challenging obstacles facing the built environment, we serve as a critical connection between emerging research and real-world implementation

of innovative design methods. In order to strengthen our impact on sustainable design and rapidly accelerate carbon reduction in the built environment, we require increased support from the design and construction industry—the core benefactors of our work. Through participating in our Partnership Initiative, you support the Center for Integrated Design and Integrated Design Lab to shape future design leaders, and drive meaningful and timely change in the built environment.



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PRACTICE**



**EDUCATE AND  
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SUSTAINABILITY**



**STRENGTHEN  
INDUST  
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# Selected Goals of Partnership



- Connect like-minded practitioners & cultivate leaders in high performance design practice
- Maintain UW IDL's engagement in emerging needs across practice and ability to collect and analyze strategic market intelligence
- Bridge academic research to application in practice
- Provide knowledge to practitioners to improve practice
- Share IDL projects, initiatives, and learnings with leading practitioners to advance energy efficiency.



## What Research Would Best Support Your Firm?

*Empirical evidence supporting the value of high-performance design at our fingertips.*



## Rosetta Stone: A Translational Tool for Research-Informed Practice



Daylight



Electric Lighting



Biophilia



Air Quality



Thermal Comfort



Acoustics



Economics

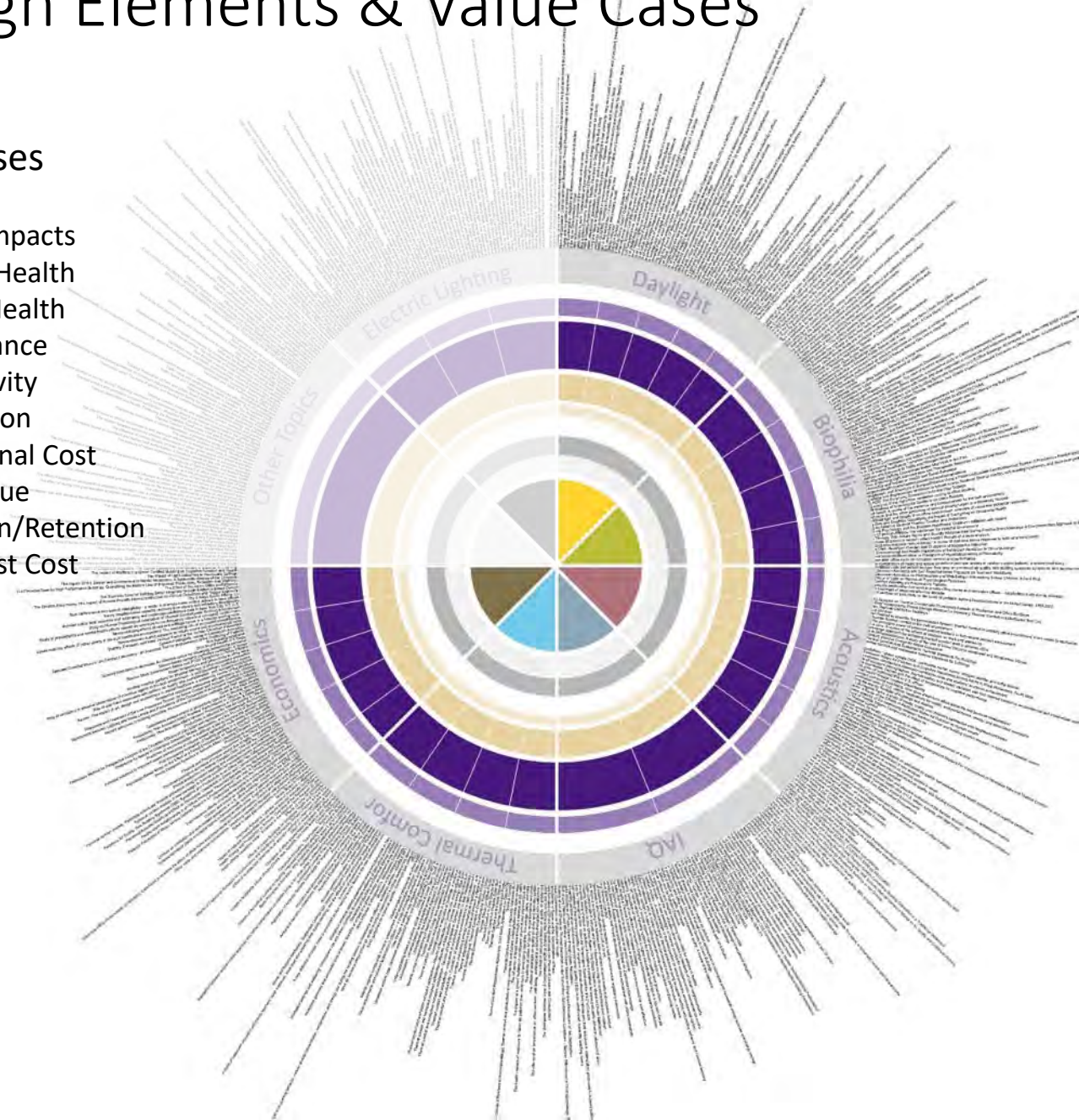
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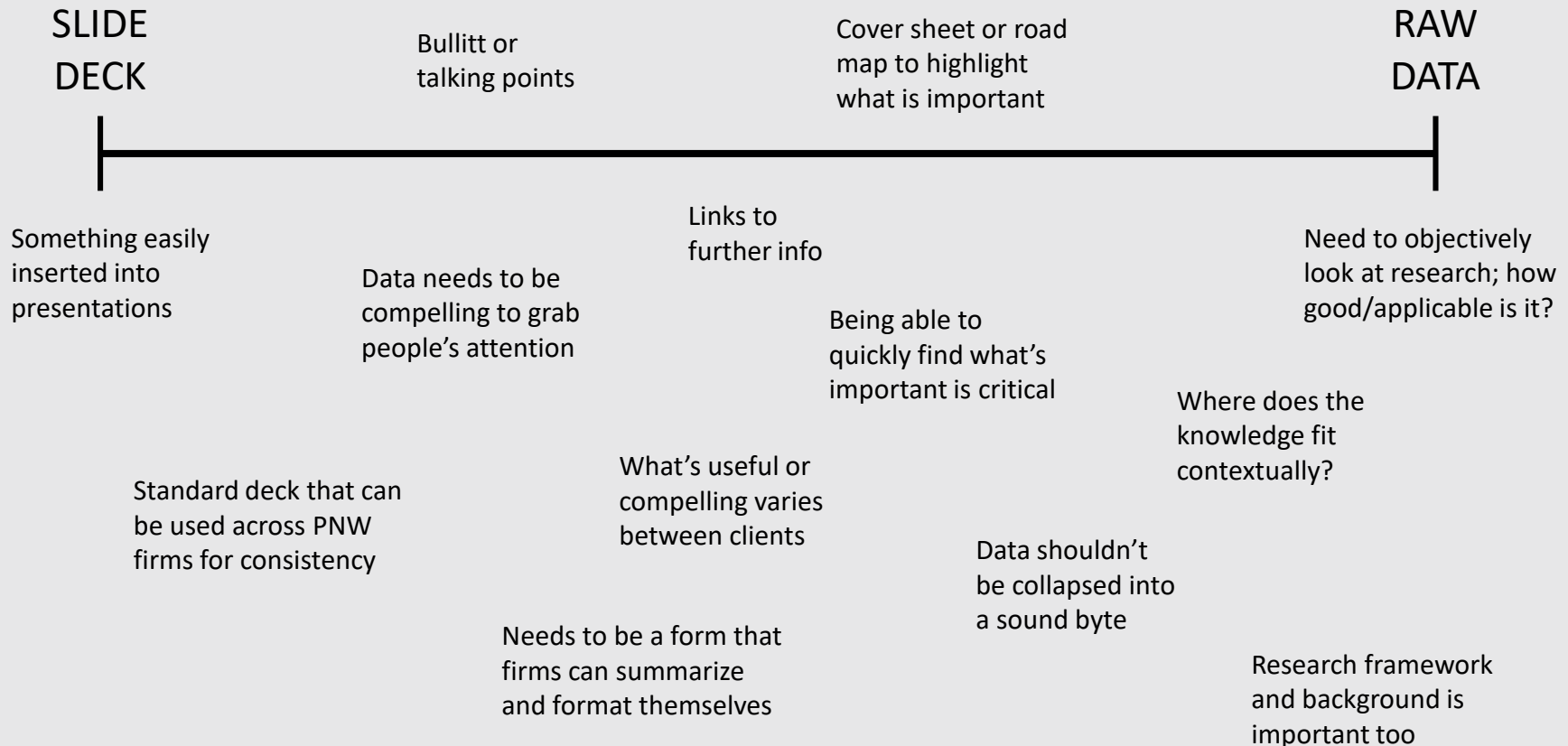
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- Materials

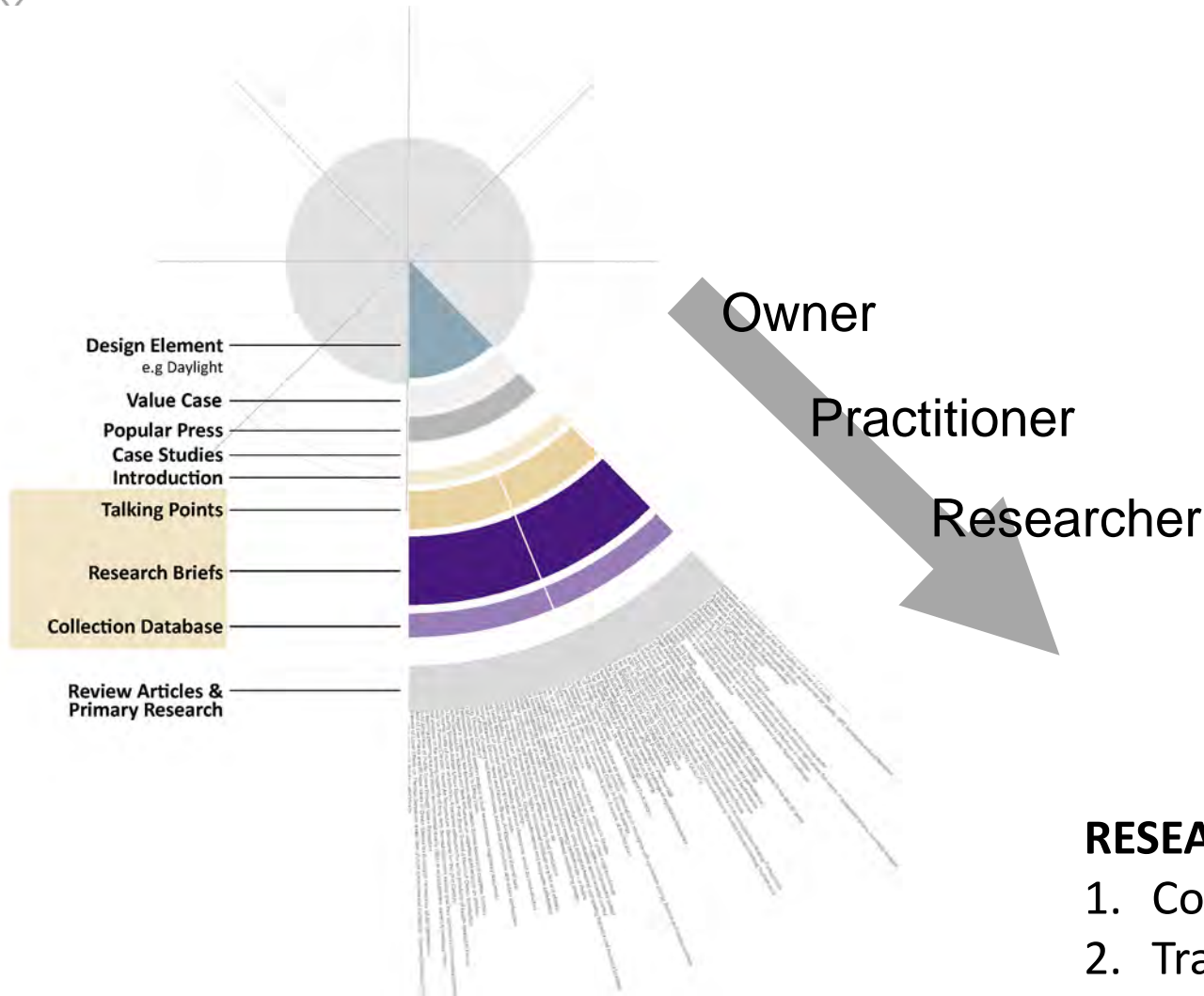
## Value Cases

- Design Impacts
- Physical Health
- Mental Health
- Performance
- Productivity
- Satisfaction
- Operational Cost
- Asset Value
- Attraction/Retention
- Initial First Cost
- Stress
- Equity
- Carbon



# Most Useful Types of Information





## RESEARCH PROCESS

1. Collect
2. Translate
3. Communicate

## Six Design Elements

(number of value cases developed)

- Daylight (5)
- Biophilia (4)
- Indoor Air Quality (2)
- Thermal Comfort (4)
- Acoustics (5)
- Economics (5)
- Electric Lighting (7)
- View (tbd)
- Water
- Materials

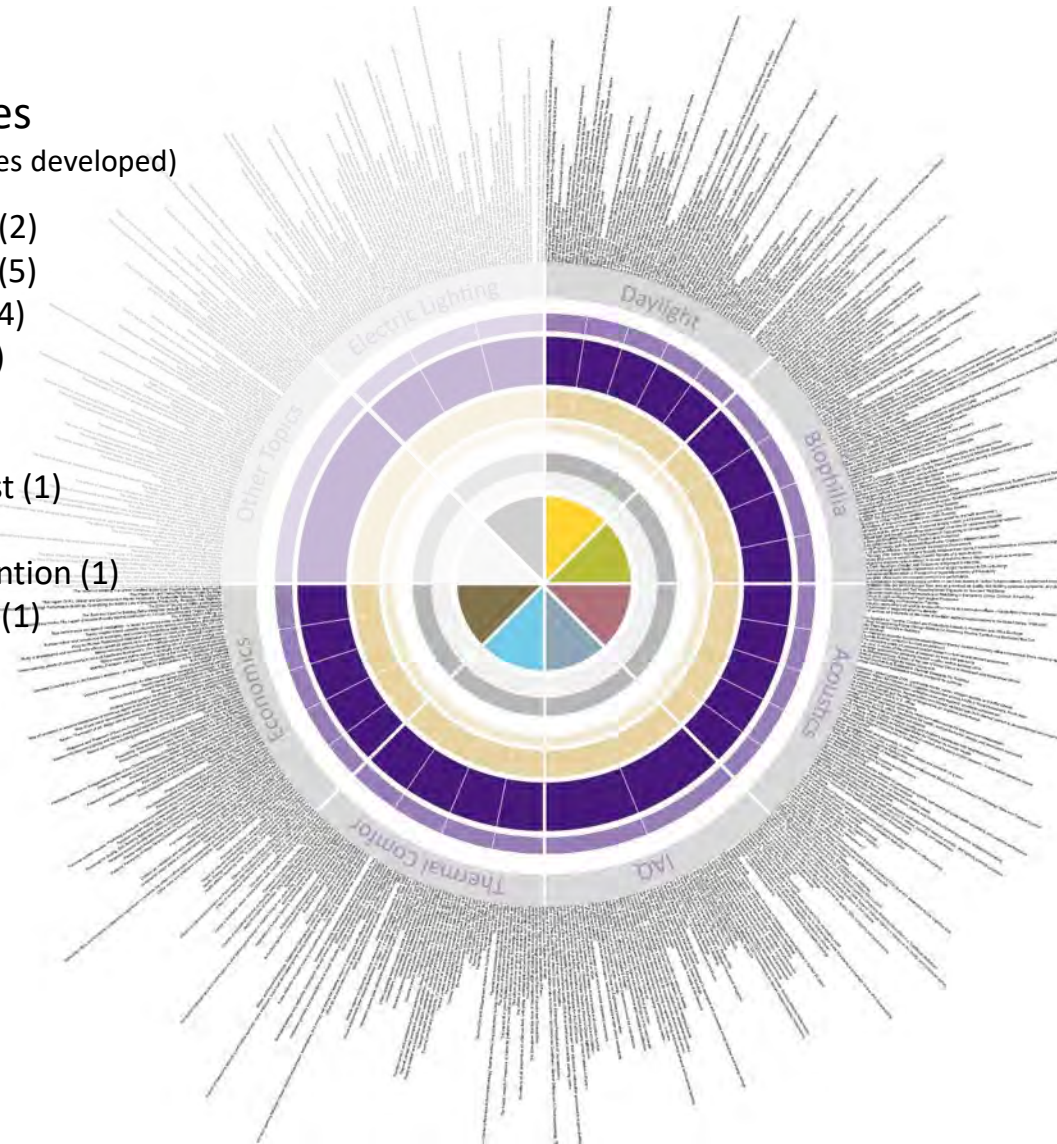
## Ten Value Cases

(number of value cases developed)

- Design Impacts (2)
- Physical Health (5)
- Mental Health (4)
- Performance (3)
- Productivity (2)
- Satisfaction (2)
- Operational Cost (1)
- Asset Value (1)
- Attraction/Retention (1)
- Initial First Cost (1)
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## Total Content Pieces

- 663 articles reviewed
- 6 Collection Databases
- 32 Research Briefs
- 32 Talking Points



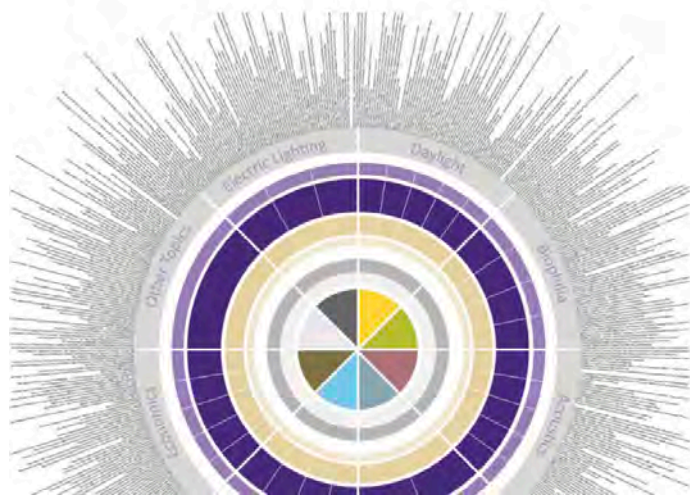
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## About

The Rosetta Stone Translational Tool for Research-informed Practice is a joint collaboration between the University of Washington's Integrated Design Lab and [design industry partners](#). The tool developed out of a collective desire to clearly communicate the synergies of high performance design, in a way that is backed by research and evidence.

Its aim is to create a high-level translational literature review tool to help disseminate knowledge and information for a range of targeted audiences at varying level of depths of information and to equip firms with consistent, fit-for-purpose messaging and guidance to discuss different Value Cases of High Performance Design.

## The Framework



The tool is comprised of design elements and value cases that describe attributes of building design that impact the human health and perceptions of the built environment. These themes are driven by from empirical evidence. Example architectural design elements include Daylight, Acoustics, Biophilia, Indoor Air Quality, and Thermal Comfort with value



## LUMINAIRE LEVEL LIGHTING CONTROLS

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## LUMINAIRE LEVEL LIGHTING CONTROLS TECHNOLOGY FOCUS

### Talking Points

- Integrated building systems retrofits have been shown to increase savings over single end-use retrofits. One study found 30% whole building energy savings from component retrofits, but over 80% savings for integrated systems retrofits (Shackelford et al., 2020).
- Savings ranged from around 20% for the system with daylight dimming and automated shading controls, but no source change savings (fluorescent to LED), to over 70% savings for retrofit packages that included source change to LEDs with advanced controls and either shading system changes (venetian blinds to mechanical roller shades with daylight redirecting blinds) or lighting layout improvements (workstation-specific lighting design) (Shackelford et al., 2020).
- With a delay time of 20 min and not grouping the troffers, LLLCs with wide fields of view reduce energy use by 40% compared with the base case, resulting in electricity cost savings of US\$6.20 per year per troffer. LLLCs with narrow fields of view reduce energy use by 48% compared with the base case, resulting in electricity cost savings of US\$7.50 per year per troffer (Snyder, 2020).
- Reducing the delay period time from 20 min (a typical default value) to 5 min reduces energy use by an additional 14% for the wide field of view and by an additional 21% for the narrow field of view relative to the 20-min-delay energy use, providing an additional electricity cost savings of US\$1.40 to US\$2.70 per year per troffer (Snyder, 2020).
- The results show that when LLLCs are grouped into pairs, energy use is increased by 10% for the wide field of view and by 18% for the narrow field of view compared with ungrouped LLLCs (Snyder, 2020).
- The scenario leading to the least energy use (narrow field of view, 1-min delay period, ungrouped, turn off when unoccupied) uses 35% of the base case (manual switches) energy use, while the scenario leading to the most energy use (wide field of view, 20-min delay period, nominal groups of 8, turning off during vacancy) uses 75% of the base case energy, more than double the lowest energy use case (Snyder, 2020).
- The energy cost savings ranged from \$6.20 for an ungrouped wide-field-of-view LLLC with a 20-min delay to \$9.10 for an ungrouped narrow-field-of-view LLLC with a 5-min delay (Snyder, 2020).

### Luminaire-level lighting controls simplifies code compliance and promotes future technological integration

- Advanced wireless lighting control systems currently available are meant to simplify the installation process for lighting controls, potentially reducing material and labor costs by negating the need for long runs of controls and communication wiring (Wei et al., 2015).
- Cost-effectiveness results for new construction and major renovation scenarios, with the much lower incremental installed project costs (close to \$1/ft<sup>2</sup>), are much better. With paybacks ranging from 3 to 6 years, adding wireless advanced lighting controls to lighting projects is a compelling opportunity in new construction and major renovation (Wei et al., 2015).



## Literature Review of Non-Energy Benefits Associated with Dedicated Outside Air Systems (DOAS)

ARTICLE

To better understand the potential non-energy benefits of very high efficiency dedicated outside air systems (also known as very high efficiency DOAS), this literature review summarizes key research, empirical evidence, and studies performed on similar high-performance HVAC approaches that are more prevalent in today's market, such as conventional DOAS. As very high efficiency DOAS improves upon high-performance HVAC approaches used by conventional DOAS, the non-energy benefits summarized in this report can be assumed to manifest to an equal or greater degree with a very high efficiency DOAS approach.

### Downloads

DOAS Non-Energy Benefits Literature Review (Nov 2020)

Type: pdf  
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# AIA Return on Investment Lit Reviews



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## ROI of High-Performance Design

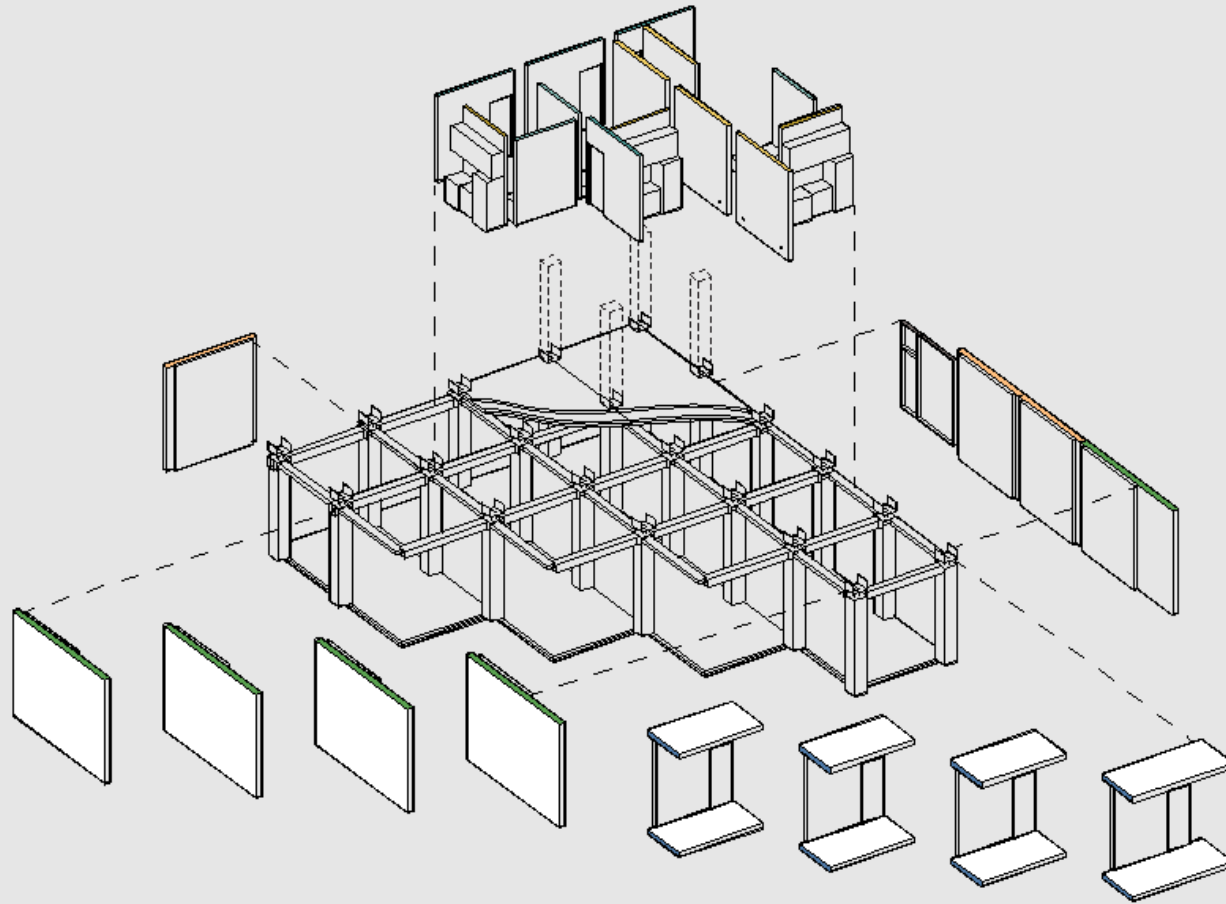
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Buildings designed with high-performance elements reduce negative impacts to the environment and improve the health and well-being of occupants. As awareness of the benefits of high-performance design grows, demand has

A grid of nine cards, each with a small image at the top, a title, and a brief description of a Return on Investment (ROI) for high-performance design.

- ENERGY**
  - ROI: Increasing asset values**  
Owners and developers are interested in the financial upsides of high-performance design.
  - ROI: Reducing operational costs**  
Operational expenses are the out-of-pocket costs for maintaining.
  - ROI: Reducing up-front costs**  
When considering whether to implement sustainable building.
- BUILDING SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**
  - ROI: Attracting and retaining talent**  
Building design choices can have major effects on health (Frumkin 2009; The World Health).
  - ROI: Healthier, more productive occupants**  
At the heart of our built environment - whether homes, offices, schools, or other buildings.
  - ROI: Designing for reduced embodied carbon**  
The architecture profession can lead the way in going beyond.
- RESILIENCE**
  - ROI: Codes, standards and reporting supporting resilient design**  
Codes, standards and reporting.
  - ROI: The economic case for resilient design**  
Resilient design encompasses many possible scales of action.

<https://www.aia.org/resources/6409378-roi-of-high-performance-design>



# CARBON RESEARCH STUDIO 2021

## **DESIGNING FOR LOW EMISSIONS**

A COMPUTATIONAL APPROACH TO MASS TIMBER BUILDINGS

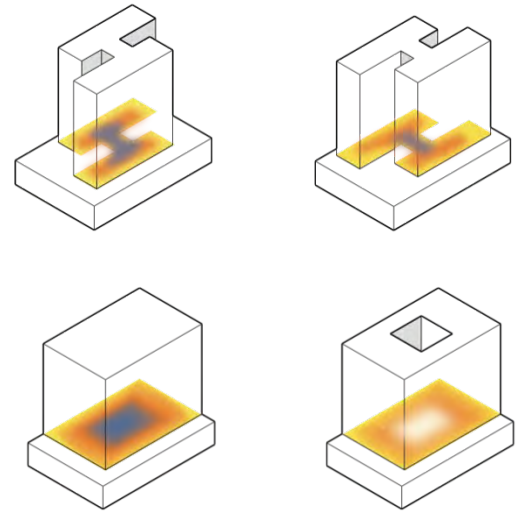
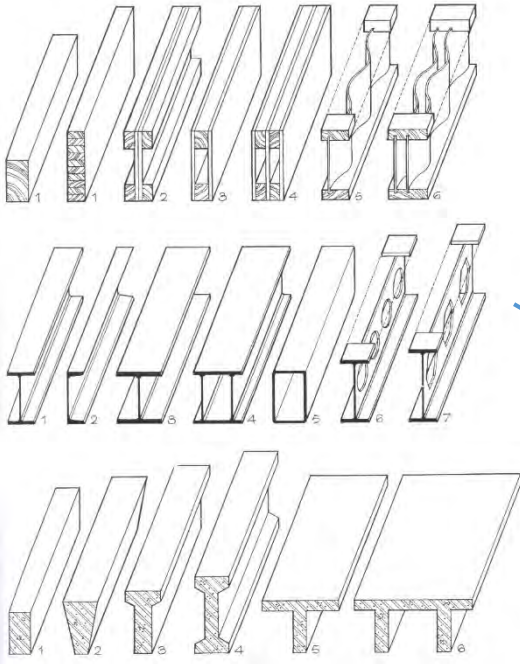
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- What are trade-offs between embodied & operational carbon of building facade design?
- How do various climate types impact the trade-offs?
- How does the carbon intensity of the electricity grid impact trade-offs?
- How do the trade-offs differ between office and apartment typology?

Embodied

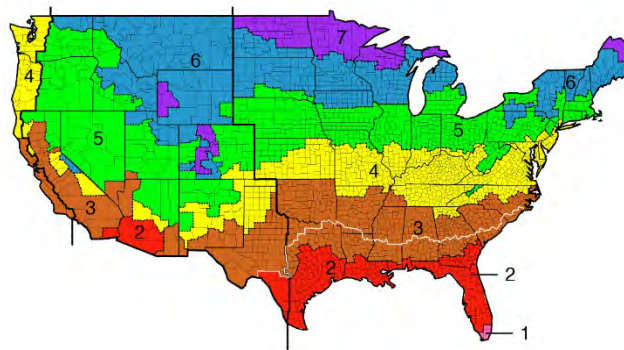
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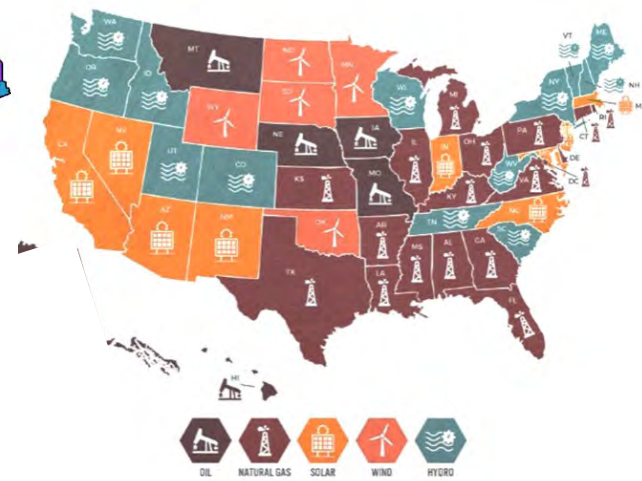
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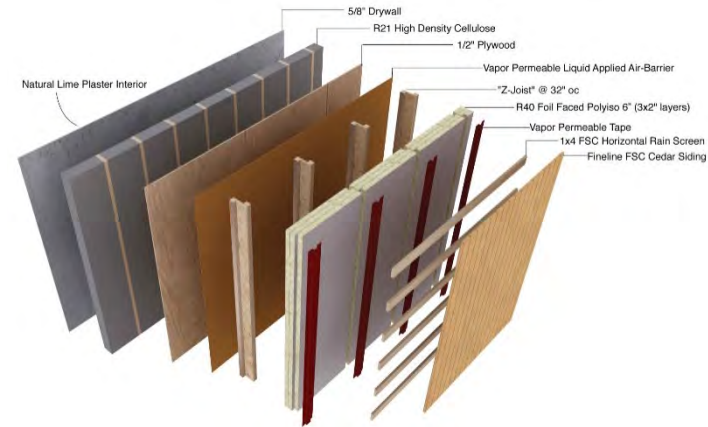
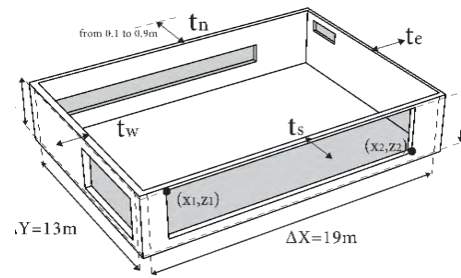
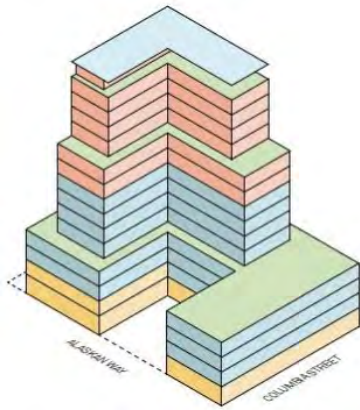


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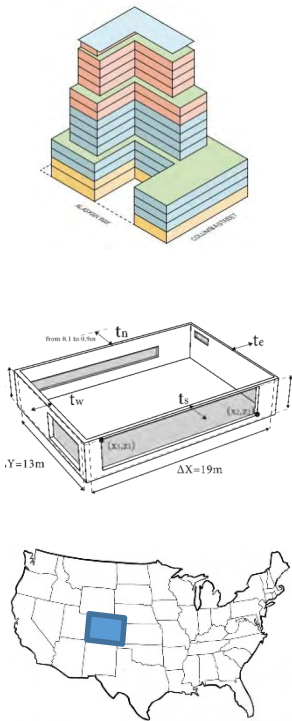


Grid Carbon Intensity

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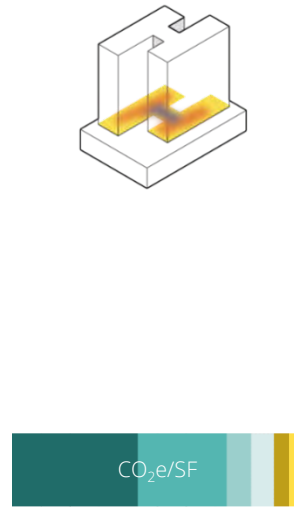
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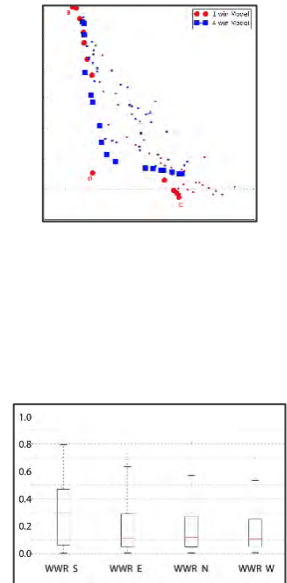
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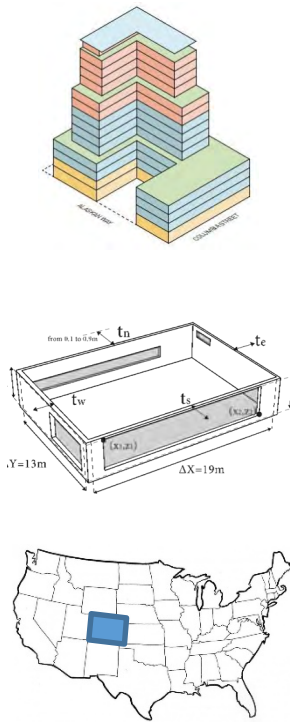
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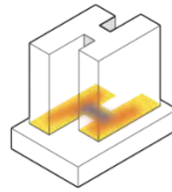
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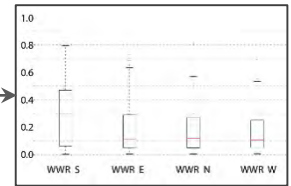
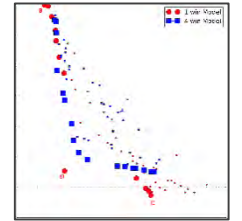
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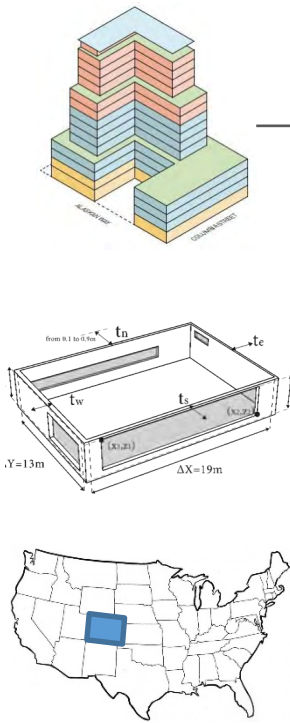


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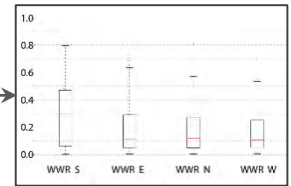
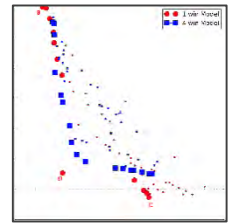
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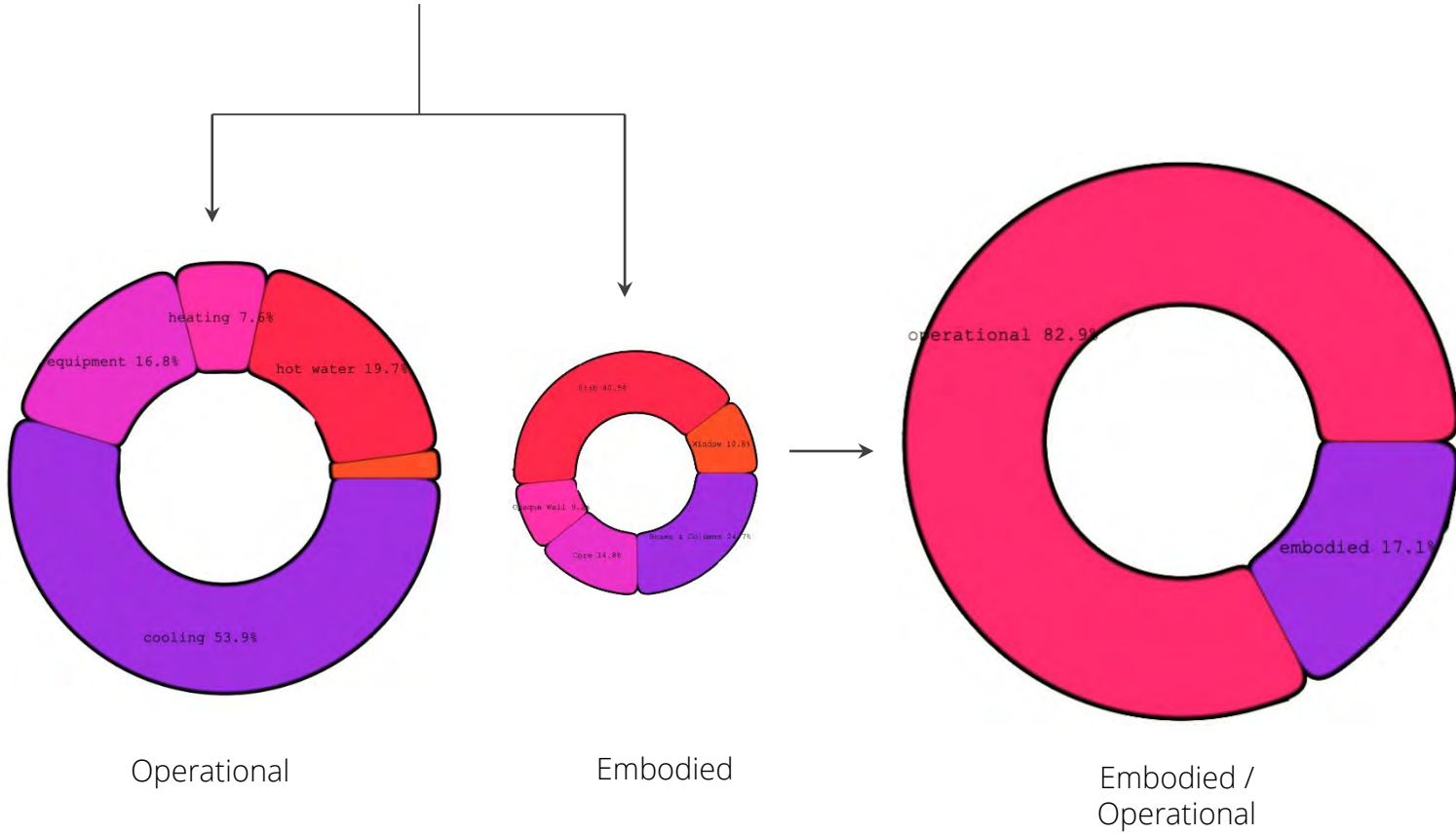


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# On the tradeoffs between embodied and operational carbon in building envelope design: The impact of local climates and energy grids

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## ABSTRACT

The building envelope has a substantial influence on a building's life cycle operational and embodied carbon emissions. Window-to-wall ratios, wall assemblies, shading and glazing types, have been shown to have a significant impact on total emissions. This paper provides building designers, owners, and policy makers with actionable guidance and a prioritization framework for establishing co-optimized lifecycle carbon performance of facade assembly components in a broad spectrum of climate contexts and energy carbon intensities. A large parametric study of building envelopes is conducted using building performance simulation and cradle-to-gate embodied carbon calculations in 6 US cities. The authors derive the total carbon emissions optimization for commercial office and residential space types using standard code-reference models and open-source lifecycle data. Comparisons between optimal total carbon solutions and (i) optimal operational carbon and (ii) minimum required assemblies, show the impact of under and over investing in envelope-related efficiency measures for each climate. Results show how the relationship between embodied and operational carbon is highly localized, that optimal design variables can vary significantly. In low carbon intensity energy grids, over investment in envelope embodied carbon can exceed as 10 kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/m<sup>2</sup>, while under investment in high carbon intensity grids can be higher than 150 kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/m<sup>2</sup>.

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## 1. Introduction

The construction sector has dedicated significant investments in research and legislation toward energy efficiency and reduced operational carbon emissions, while embodied emissions have historically received far less attention. More recently, increased attention has been given to embodied carbon due to the realization that they are increasingly representing a large percentage of the total lifecycle GHG emissions, in some cases representing more than 50% of the lifecycle emissions [1]. As buildings become more energy efficient, and energy sources, especially grid electricity become less carbon intensive, embodied emissions will represent an even higher percentage of lifecycle emissions [2].

In most buildings, the envelope is responsible for a high percentage of the embodied emissions [3]. It is made up of high carbon intensity materials such as aluminum, glass, gypsum and insulation. Operationally, managing unwanted heat gain and loss through the building enclosure including windows represents over 30% of the primary energy consumed in residential and commercial buildings in the United States [4] translating to approximately 483.6 MMmt CO<sub>2</sub> [5]. This makes the envelope a critical building component in terms of embodied, operational and total carbon emissions.

As such, the design of the building envelope is a multi-criteria problem that has to factor a large number of contrasting environmental metrics that all share the same design parameters, i.e. wall assemblies, window-to-wall ratios (WWRs), shading devices, glazing types, etc. Designers have to consider the tradeoff between embodied and operational emissions over the lifespan of the building. Operational emissions are also largely determined by the local climate and the carbon intensity of the local energy grid. The embodied emissions of the envelope are determined by the quantity and choice of materials (glass, insulation, cladding, internal finishes) and their carbon intensity. While it is considered ideal to have materials come from local sources to minimize transportation costs and emissions, material supply chains are often very complex and globalized. This scenario implies that the study of the tradeoffs between operational and embodied emissions is very localized, high variations in total emissions as well as optimal solutions can be expected between cities.

Several studies have started to look into the embodied and operational tradeoffs in several ways. Röck et al. looked into

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Table 1: Variable Simulation Inputs

Variable Inputs	Values	Additional Description
Program (2 options)	1) Residential 2) Office	See description in Section 2.2.1
Weather File (5 options)	1) SeaTac International Airport 2) Milwaukee Intl Airport 3) San Antonio Intl Airport 4) Los Angeles Intl Airport 5) Atlanta Intl Airport 6) New York Central Park	TMY3 Energy Plus Weather File
Façade Orientation (4 options)	1) North 2) South 3) East 4) West	Direction façade is facing
Window-to-wall ratio (5 options)	1) 0.0% 2) 20% 3) 40% 4) 60% 5) 80%	See description in Section 2.1
Wall Assembly (12 options)	1 to 12	See tables 2, 3
Air Infiltration Rate (3 options)	1) 0.74 cfm/ft <sup>2</sup> of facade at 75 Pa 2) 0.40 cfm/ft <sup>2</sup> of facade at 75 Pa 3) 0.20 cfm/ft <sup>2</sup> of facade at 75 Pa	Baseline from DOE reference Mid performance envelope High performance envelope
Shading Devices (2 options)	1) Yes 2) No	See Figure 4 for configuration
U-Factor Window (2 options)	1) 0.35 BTU/ft <sup>2</sup> ·°F·h 2) 0.15 BTU/ft <sup>2</sup> ·°F·h	Typical for double pane windows Typical for triple pane windows

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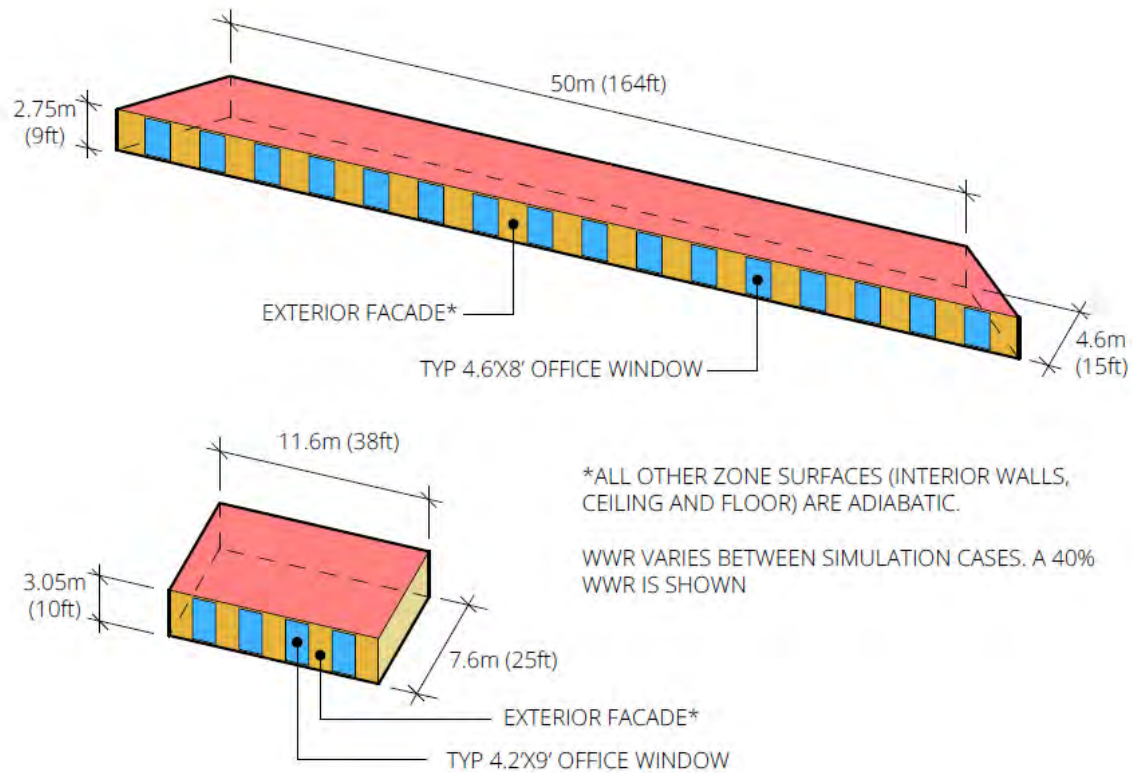
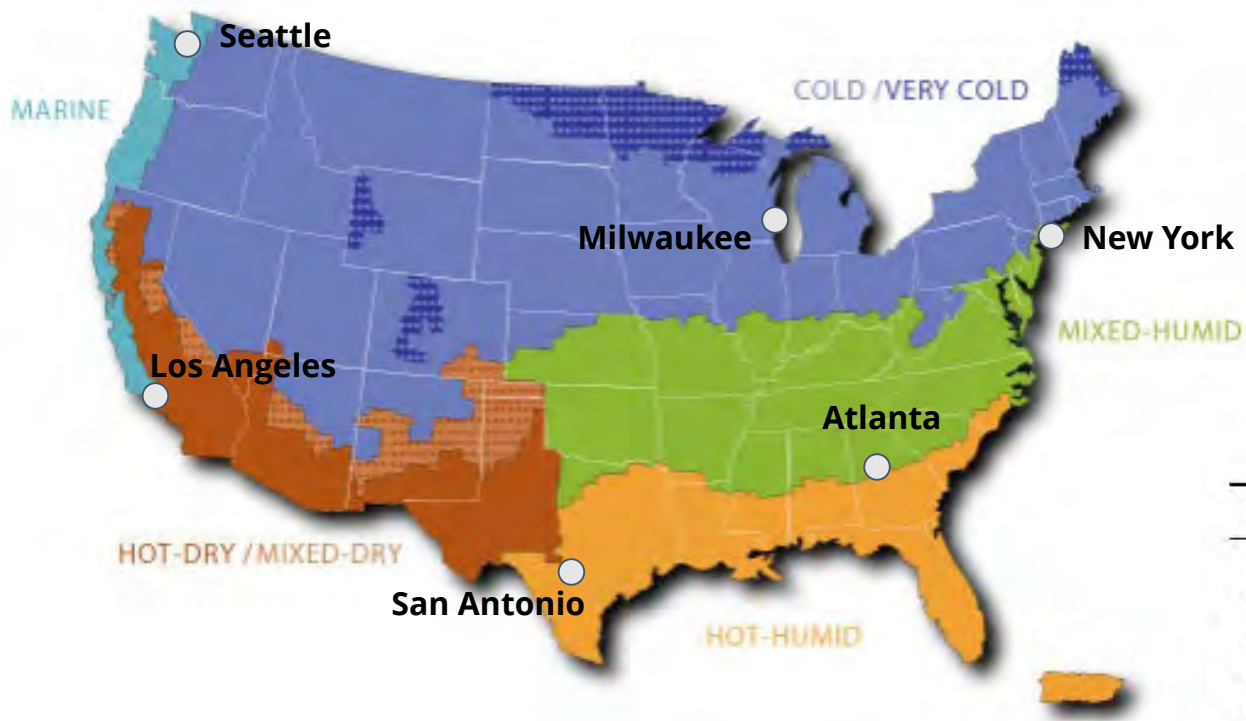


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Source: US Energy Information Administration

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City	GWP ( $Kg CO_2e/kWh$ )
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Milwaukee	0.559
New York	0.171
San Antonio	0.414
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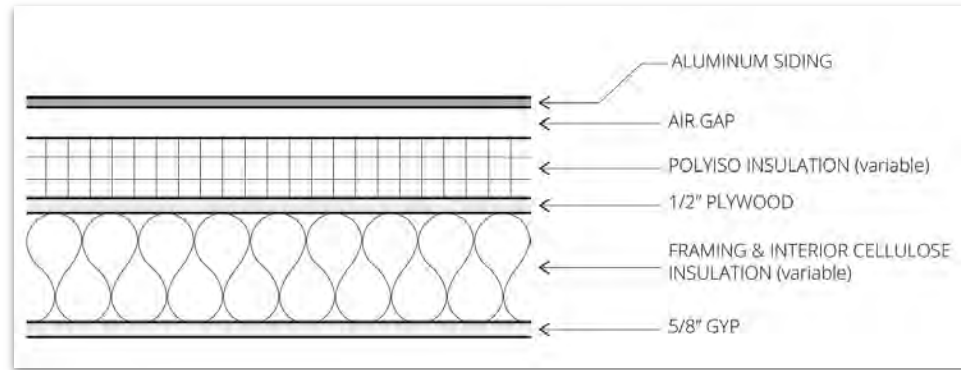
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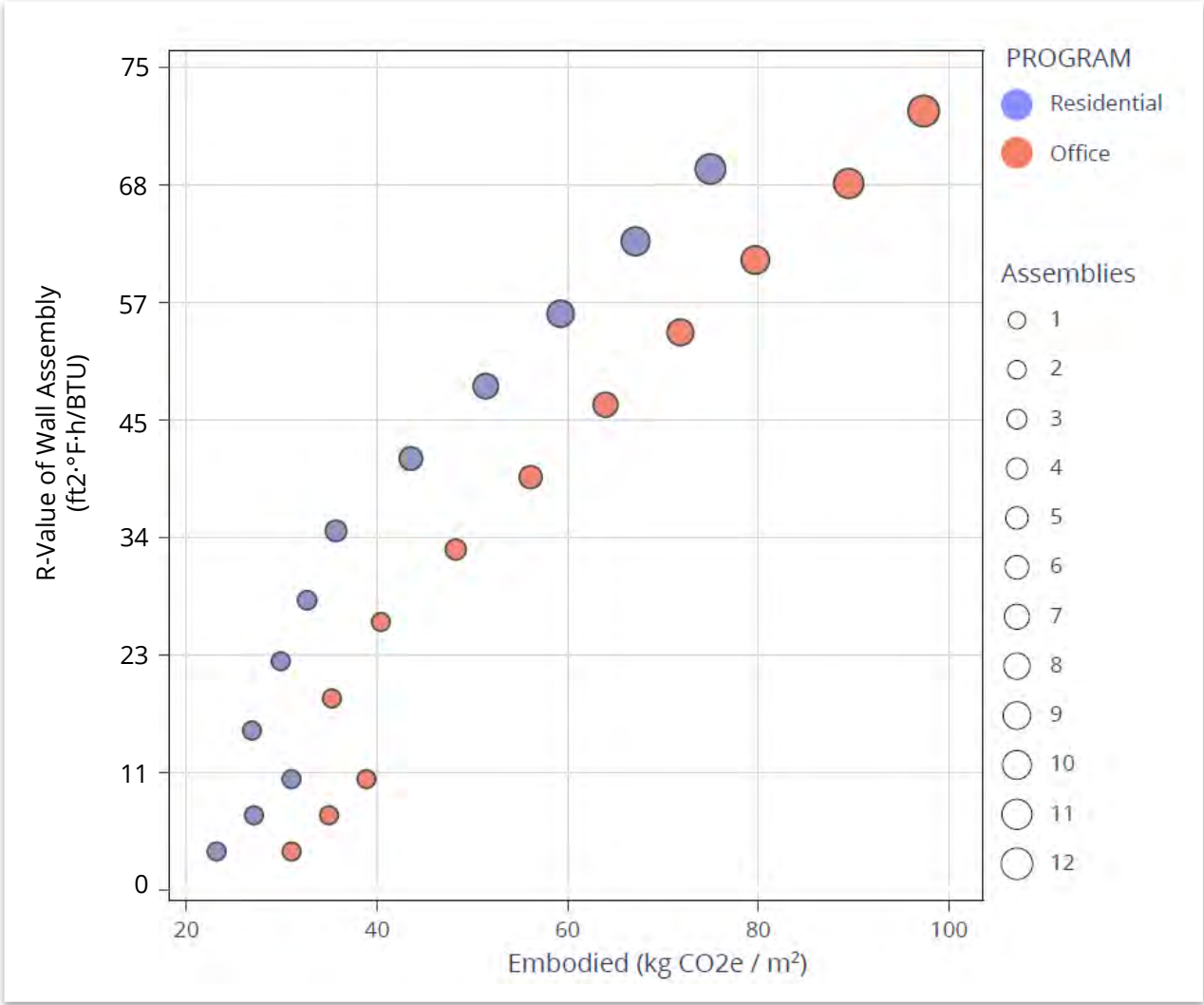
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Assembly #	Cladding	Air Gap (in)	Polyiso (in)	Plywood (in)	Steel Stud (in)	Cellulose (in)	Gypsum (in)	R-Value (ft <sup>2</sup> ·F·h/BTU)
1	Aluminum	0.5	0	0.5	4	0	0.625	4
2	Aluminum	0.5	0.5	0.5	4	0	0.625	7
3	Aluminum	0.5	1	0.5	4	0	0.625	11
4	Aluminum	0.5	0	0.5	4	4	0.625	19
5	Aluminum	0.5	0	0.5	6	6	0.625	26
6	Aluminum	0.5	1	0.5	6	6	0.625	33
7	Aluminum	0.5	2	0.5	6	6	0.625	40
8	Aluminum	0.5	3	0.5	6	6	0.625	47
9	Aluminum	0.5	4	0.5	6	6	0.625	54
10	Aluminum	0.5	5	0.5	6	6	0.625	61
11	Aluminum	0.5	5	0.5	6	6	0.625	68
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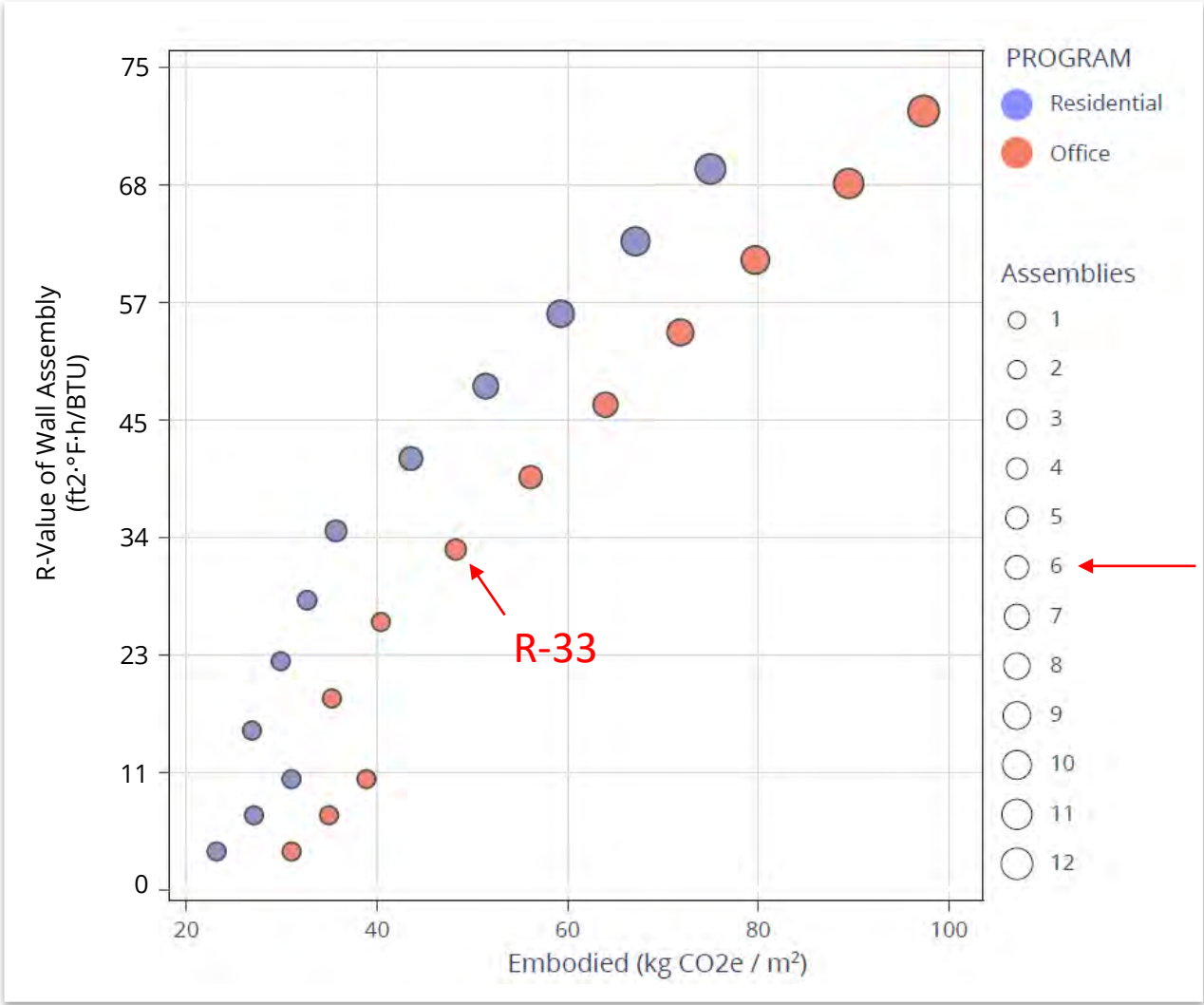


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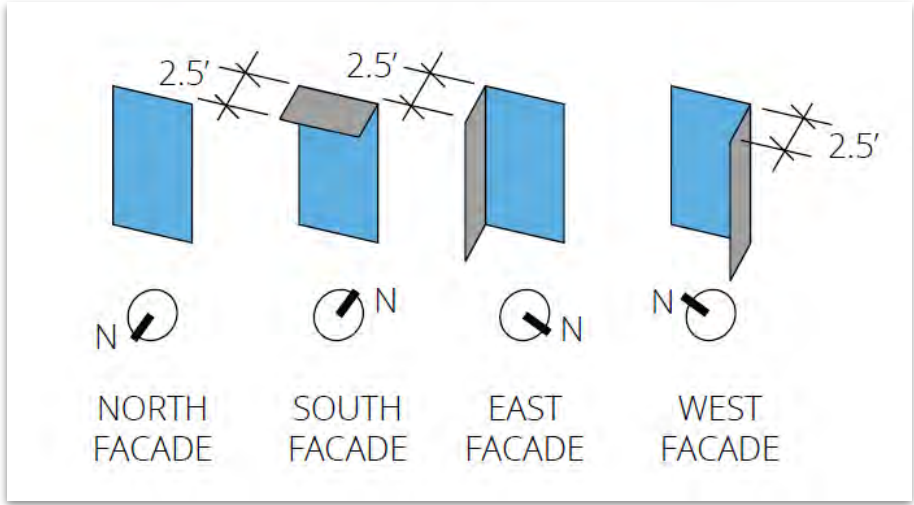
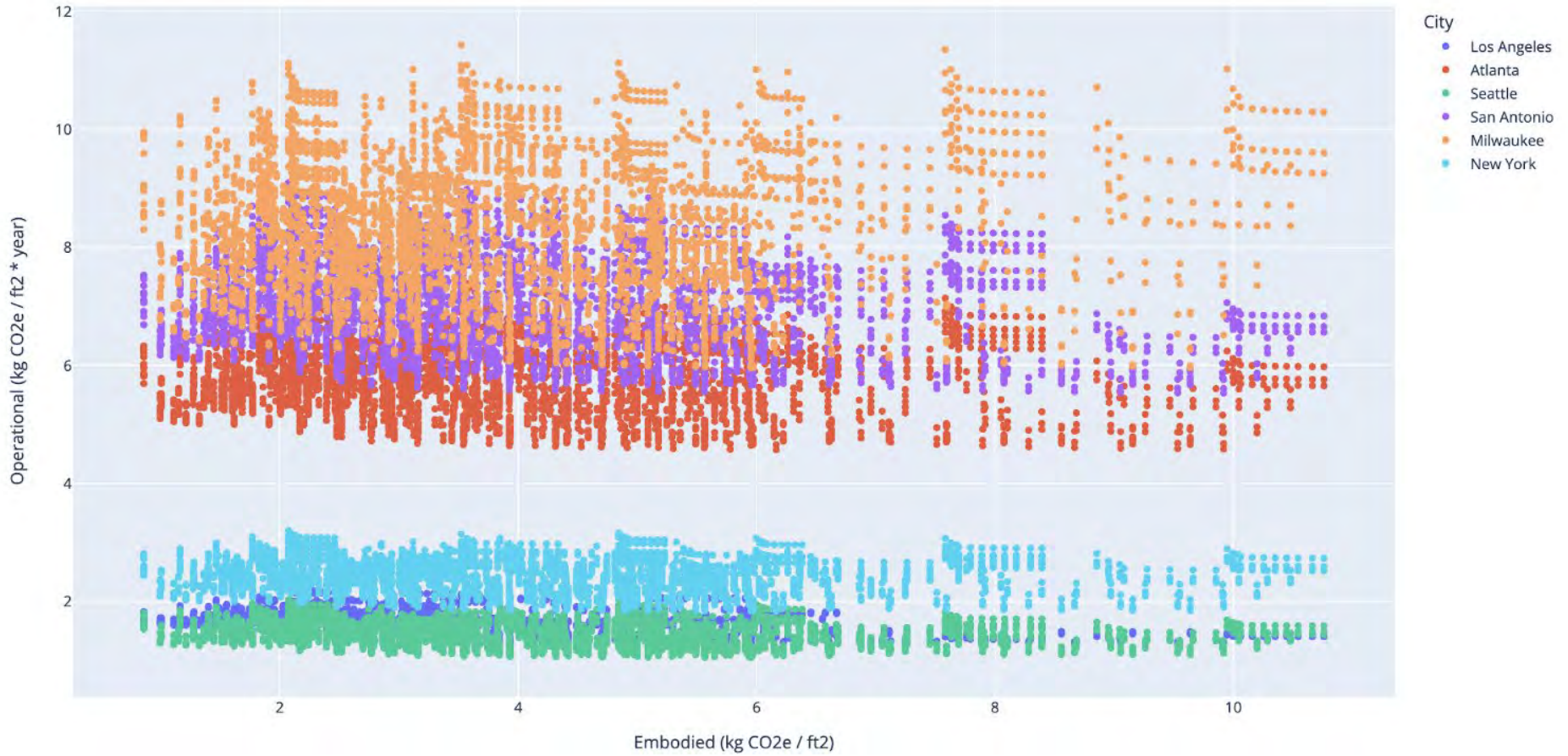


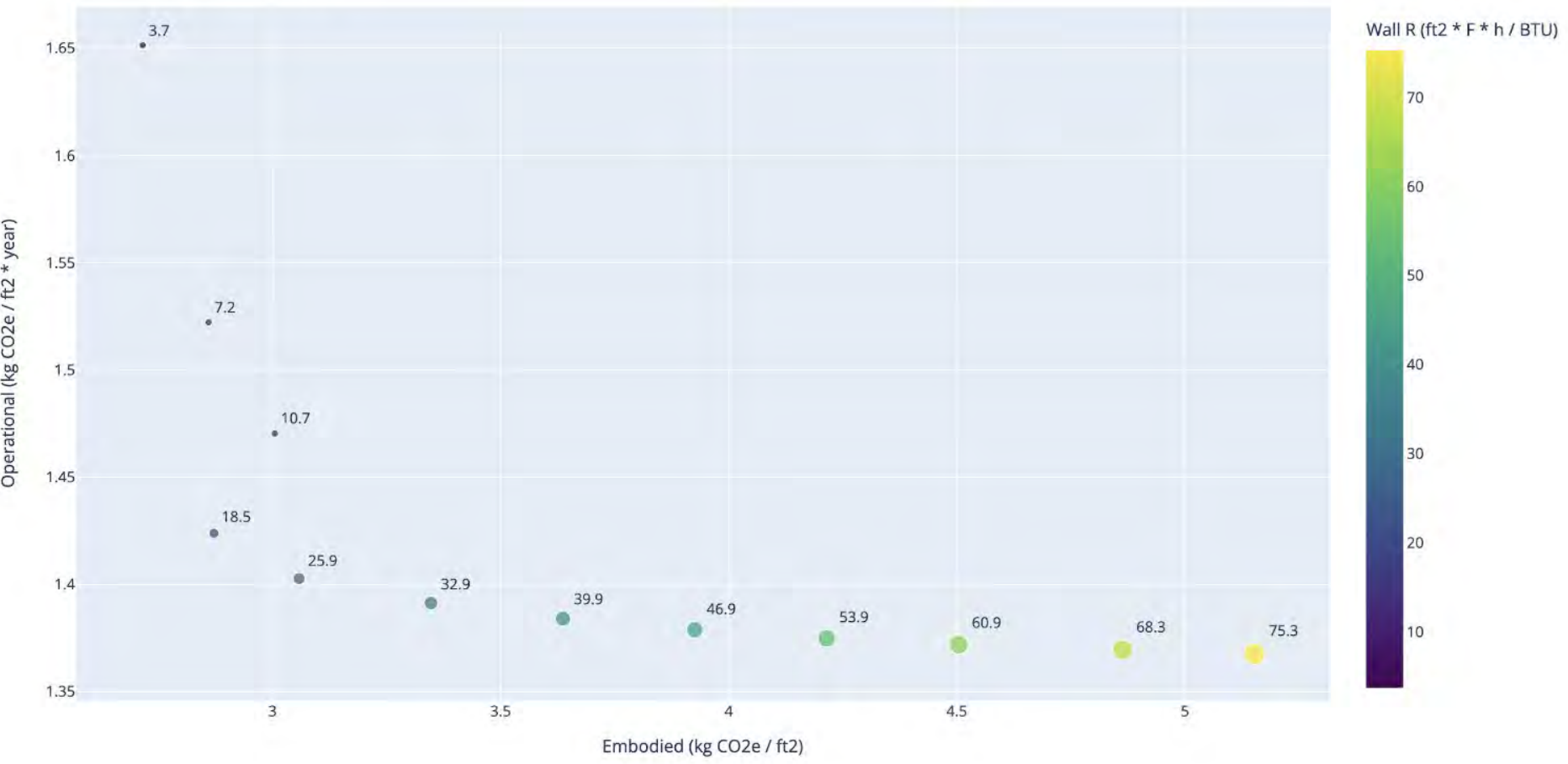
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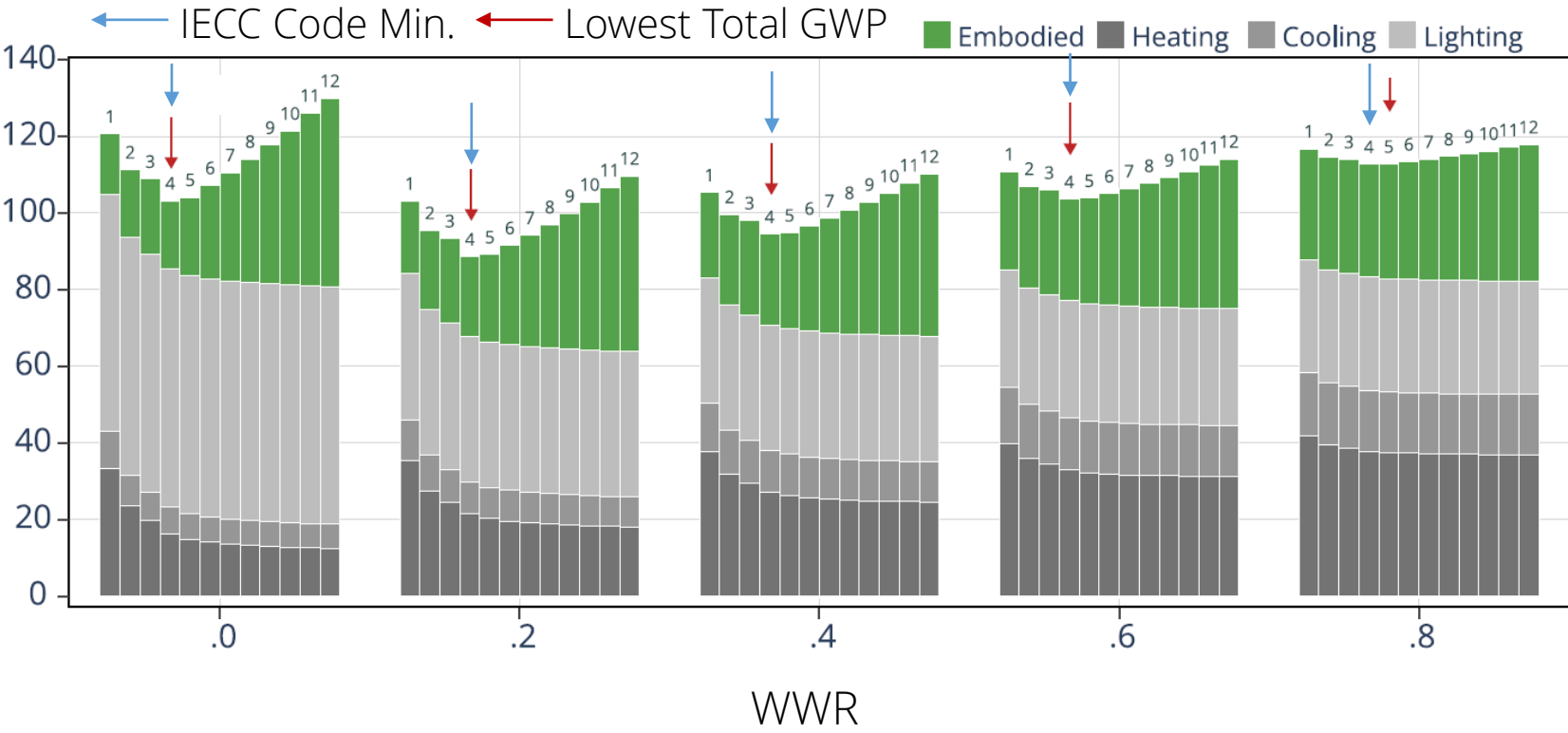


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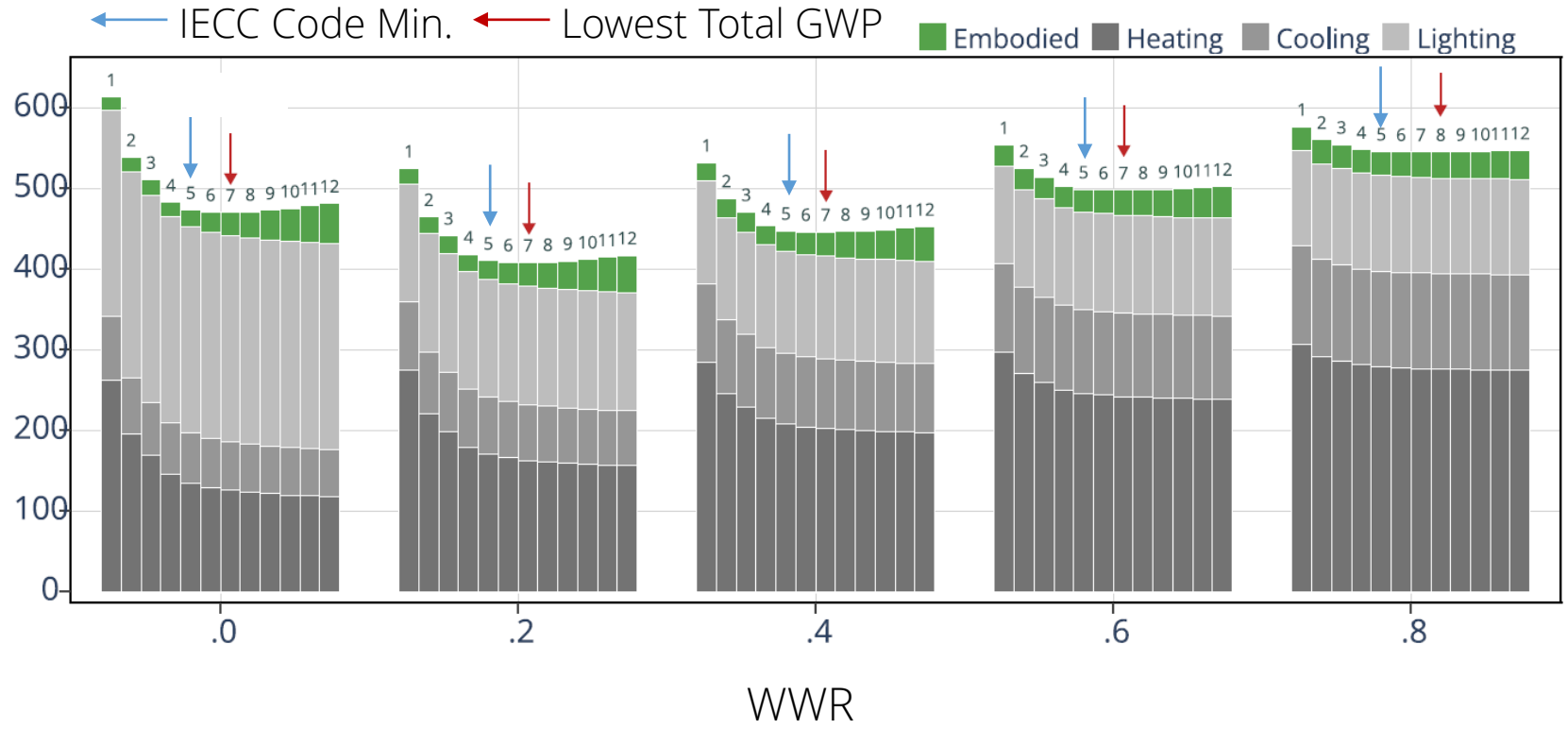
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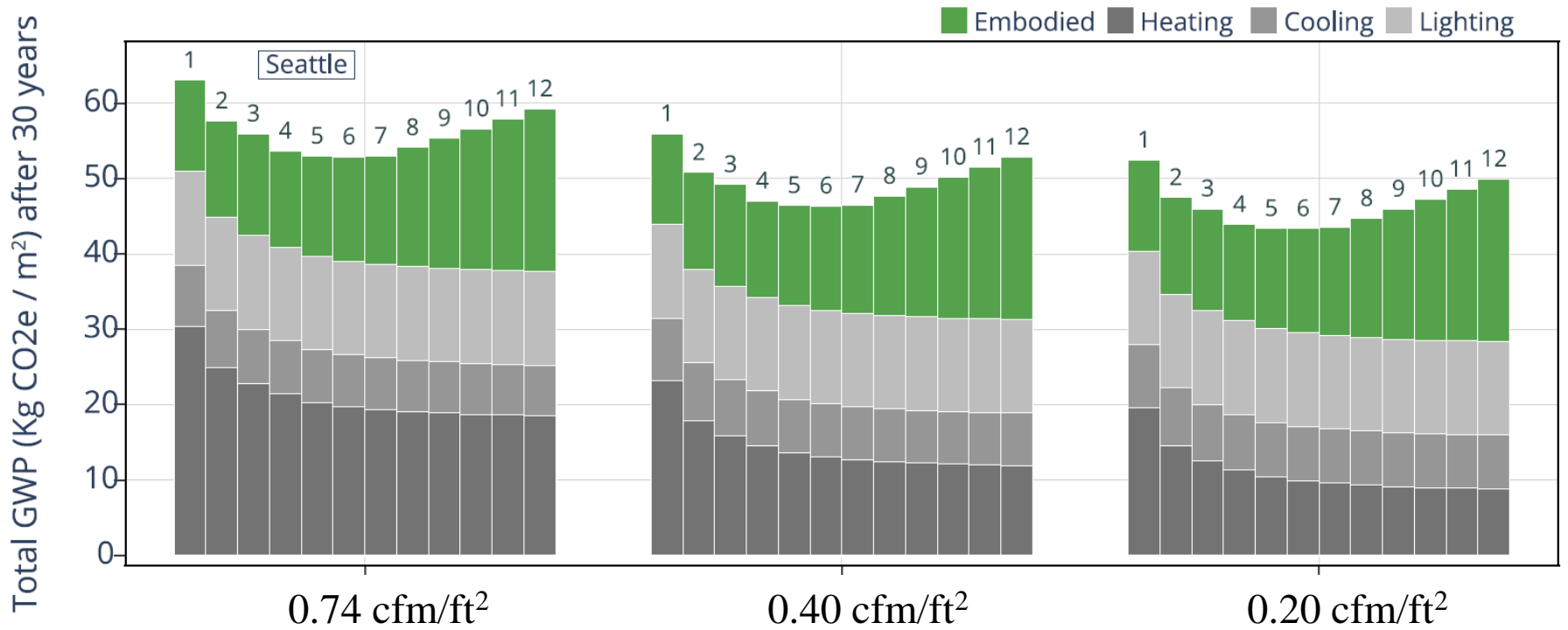


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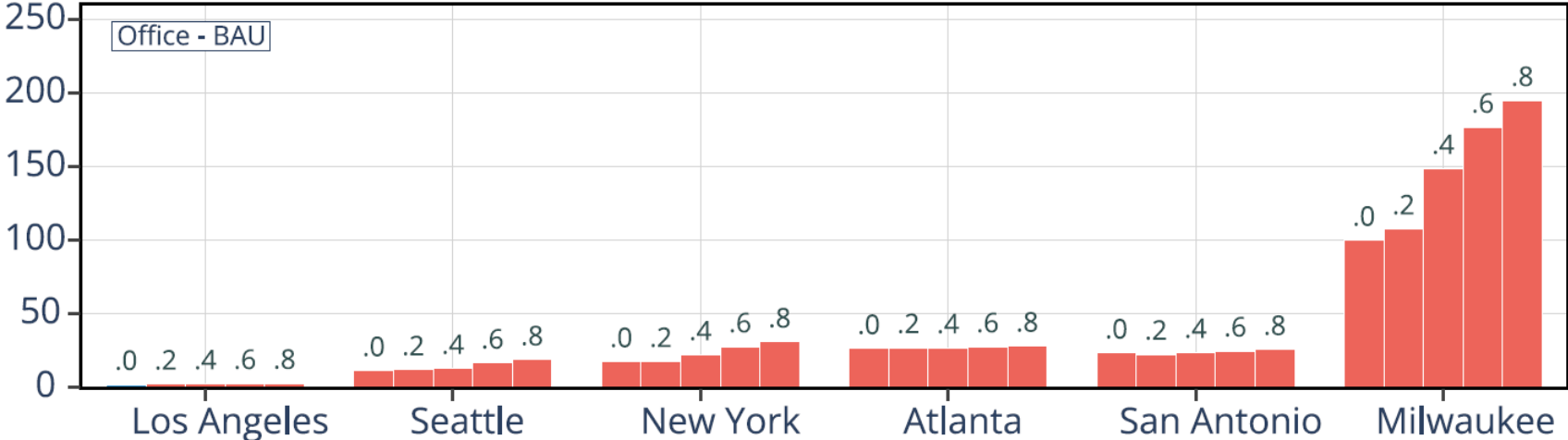
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GWP Delta Over GWP Delta Under





# South Park Manor (SPM)



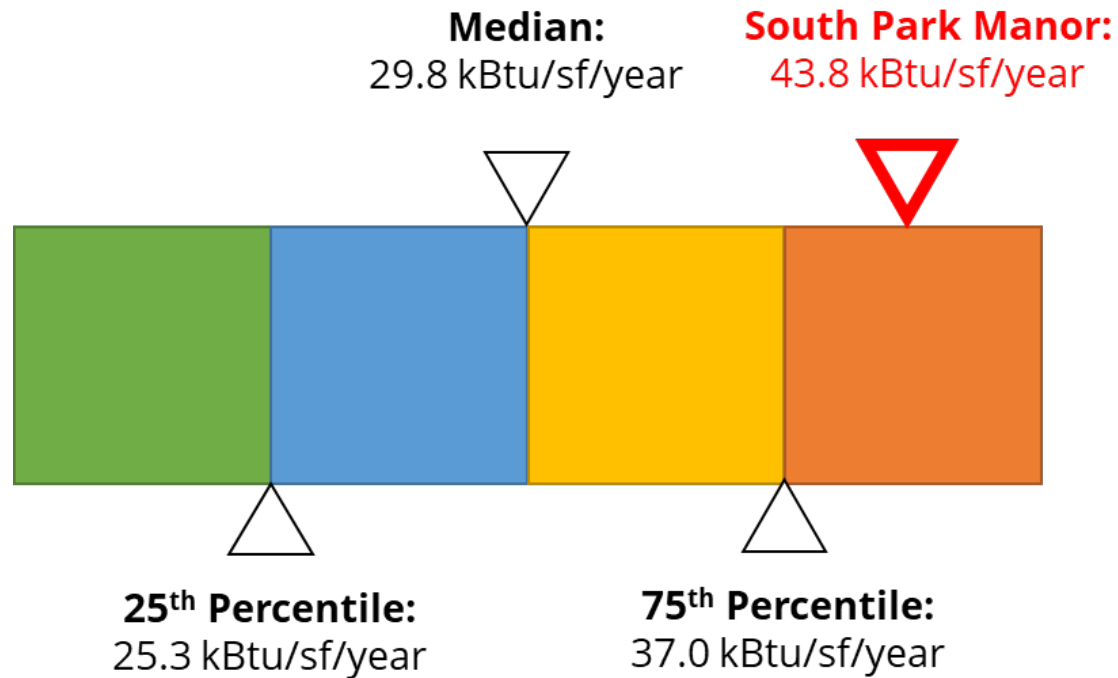
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**27 apartment units (25 1-bedroom, 2 2-bedroom)**  
19,170 ft<sup>2</sup>

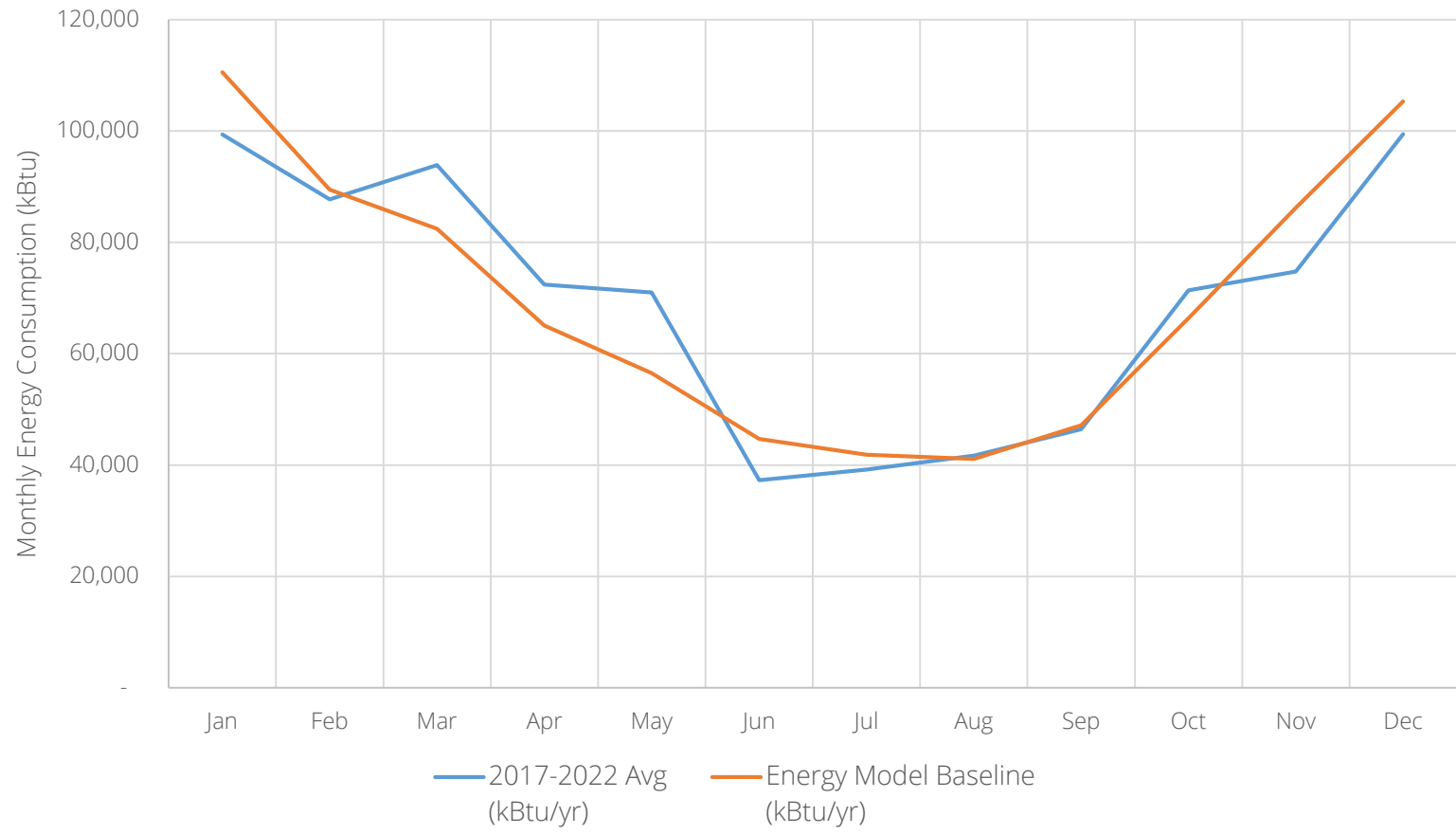
## Low-Rise Multifamily Energy Use Intensity (EUI)

Results from 1,025 Buildings



*Source: Seattle Energy Benchmarking Data, Office of Sustainability & Environment*

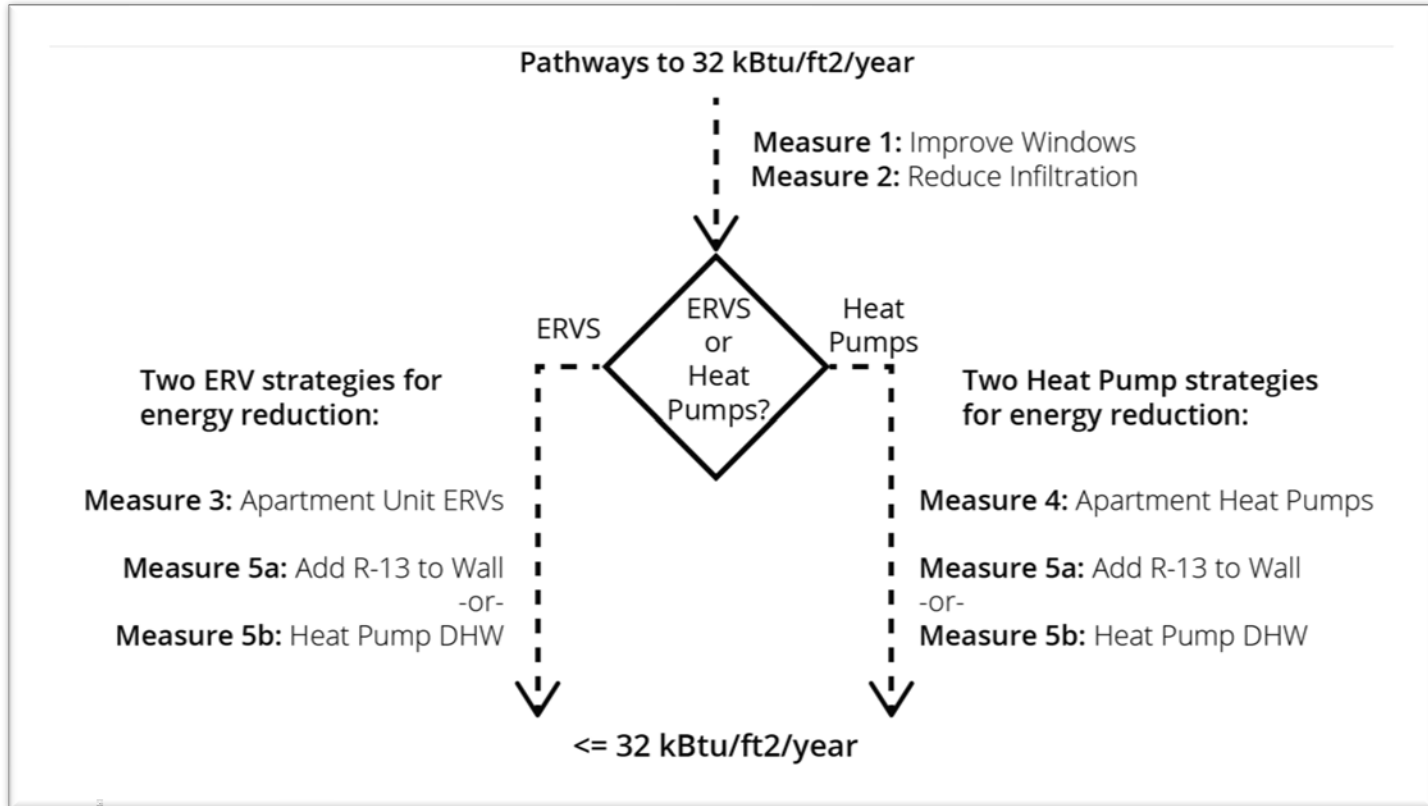
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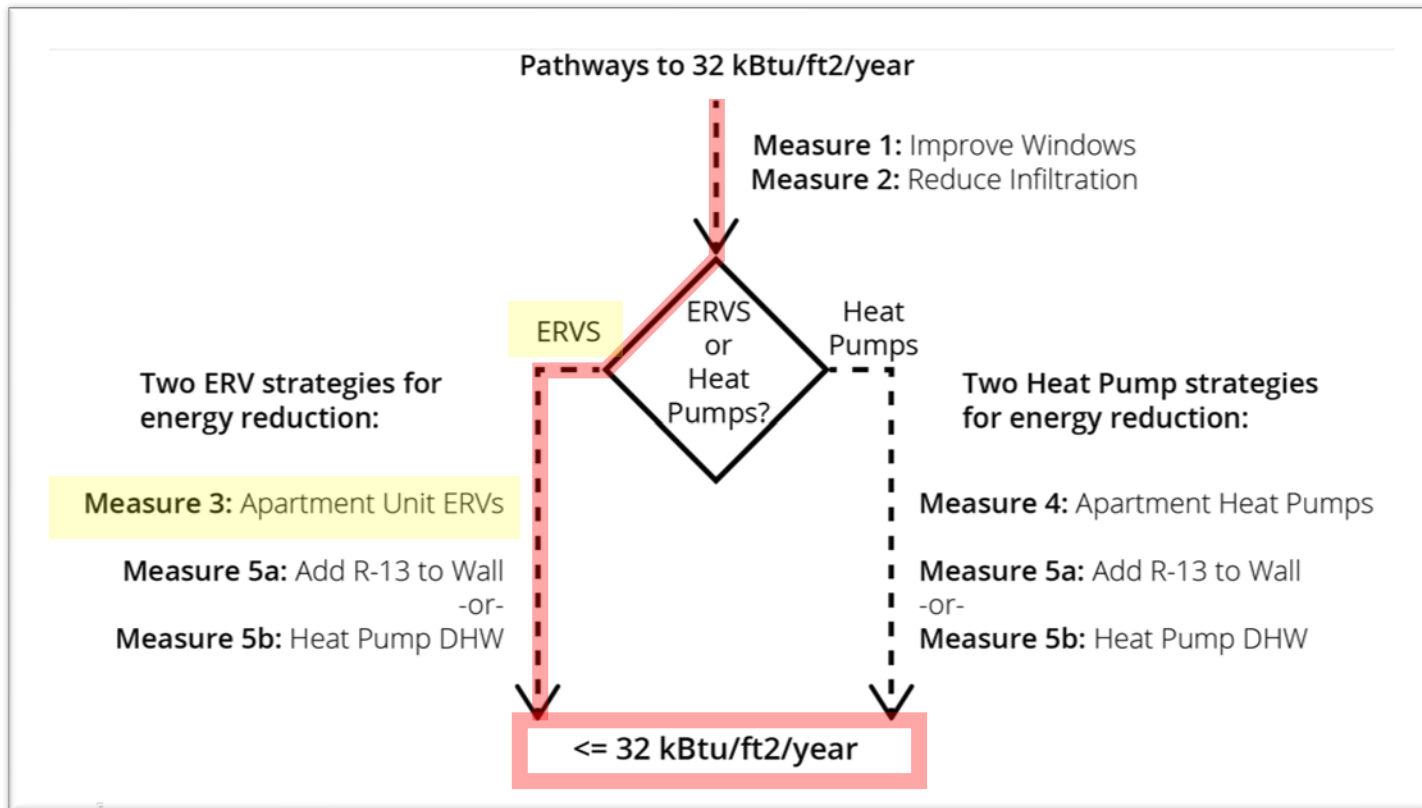
## Retrofit Strategies for Improved Indoor Comfort & Health and Reduced Energy Use

**EUI Goal = 32 kBTU/ft<sup>2</sup>/year**

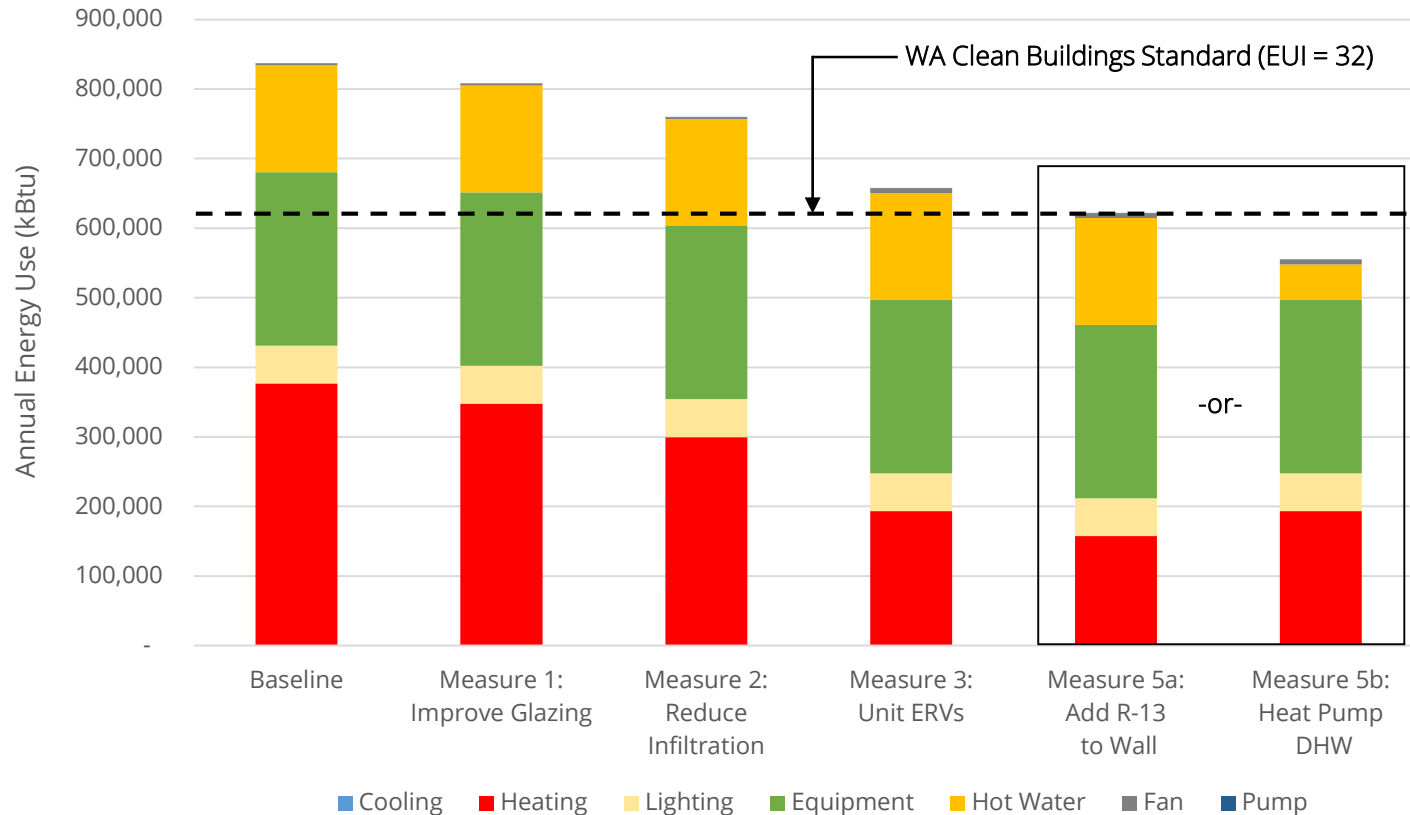
# Two Comprehensive Pathways to 32 EUI



# Pathway 1: Energy Recovery Ventilation (ERV)



# Pathway 1: ERV Solution Energy Savings



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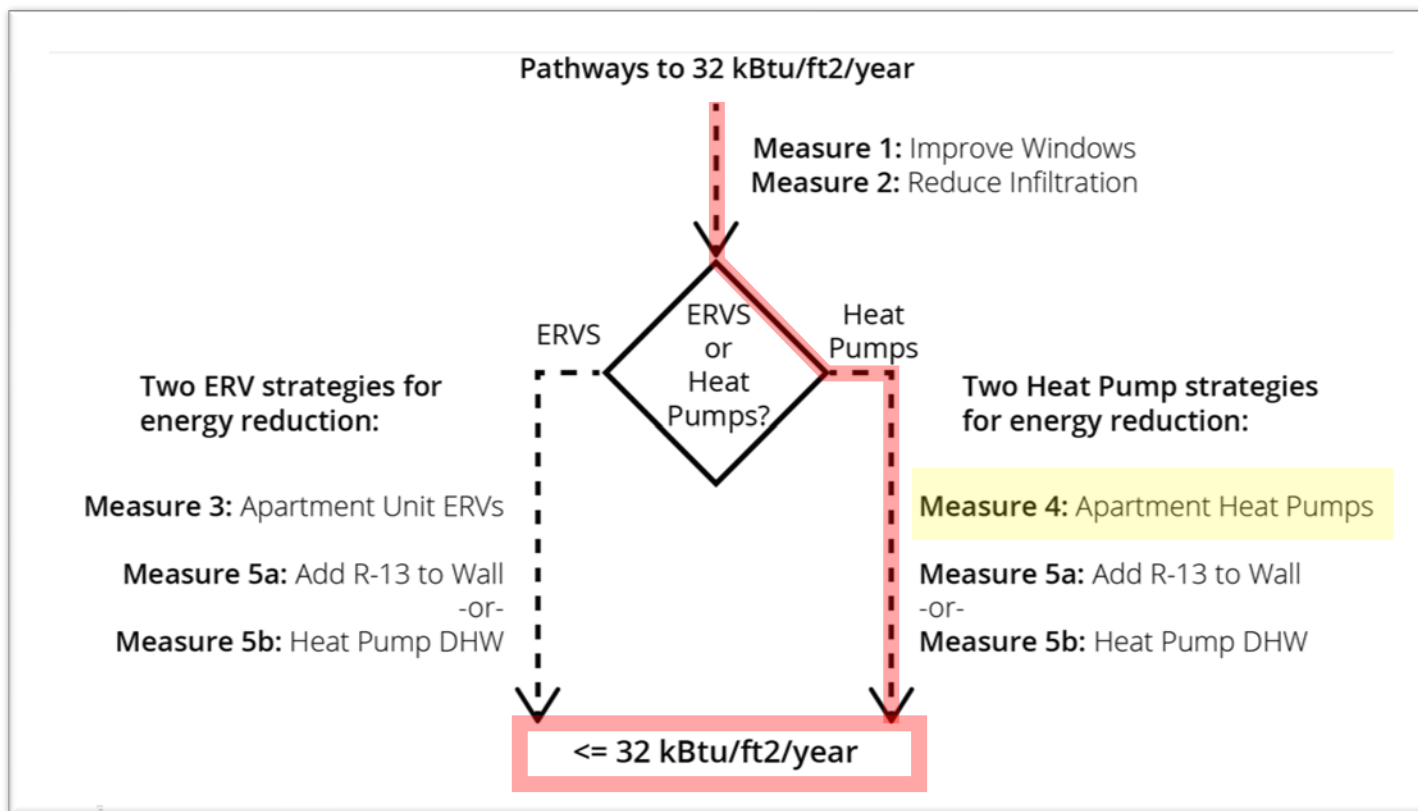
- Bringing filtered 100% OA into apartment → Improved air quality
- Reduced Energy Use
- Lower cost than heat pump (~\$68,000)

## **Cons:**

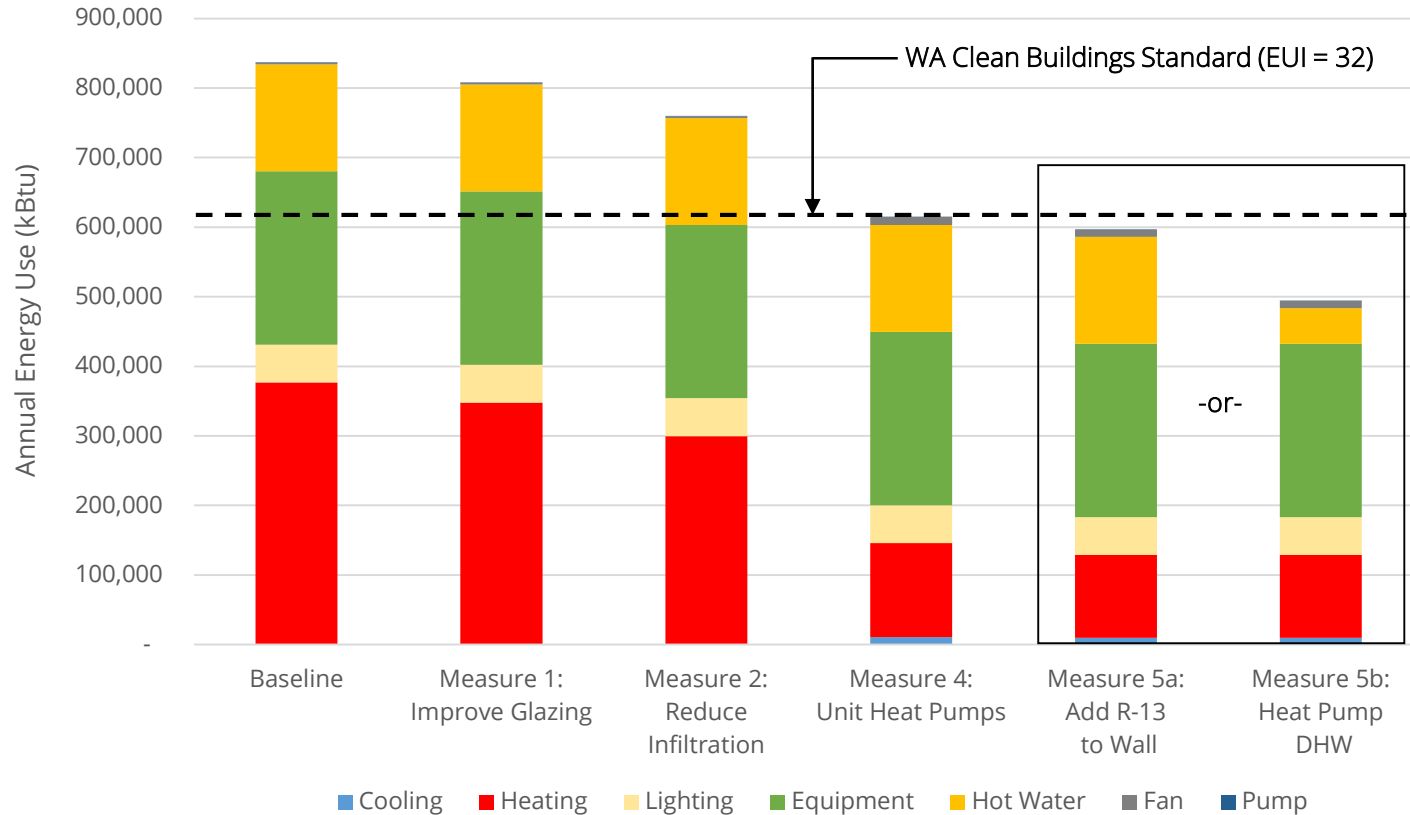
- Need to change ERV filters regularly
- Significant ductwork required
- No significant impact on space temperatures in summer



# Pathway 2: Heat Pump for Heating/Cooling



# Pathway 2: Heat Pump Solution Energy Savings



## **Pros:**

- Space cooling provides thermal comfort in summer
- Reduced Energy Use

## **Cons:**

- Need to locate outdoor units
- More Expensive (~\$411,000 total)

## Prototypical buildings used in this tool:



2,400 ft<sup>2</sup> Duplex  
(4117 25th Ave W)



3,400 ft<sup>2</sup> Quadplex  
(14036 Greenwood)



8,100 ft<sup>2</sup> 10-Unit  
(14349 32nd Ave)

## Measures Available in this Tool

Measure Name	Description
Replace Windows	-Improves U-value of windows to <b>0.29 Btu/h-ft<sup>2</sup>-°F</b> -Improves infiltration rate of the envelope by <b>up to 20%</b>
Replace Windows & Siding	-Improves U-value of windows to <b>0.29 Btu/h-ft<sup>2</sup>-°F</b> -Improves infiltration rate of the envelope by <b>up to 35%</b>
Replace Siding, Windows & Add R-5 to Wall	- Improves U-value of windows to <b>0.29 Btu/h-ft<sup>2</sup>-°F</b> - Improves infiltration rate of the envelope by <b>up to 35%</b> - Adds <b>R-5 insulation</b> to wall assembly
Replace Siding, Windows & Add R-10 to Wall	- Improves U-value of windows to <b>0.29 Btu/h-ft<sup>2</sup>-°F</b> - Improves infiltration rate of the envelope by <b>up to 35%</b> - Adds <b>R-10 insulation</b> to wall assembly
Add R-20 to Roof	- Adds <b>R-20</b> to the roof assembly
Add R-30 to Roof	- Adds <b>R-30</b> to the roof assembly
Install Heat Pump Water Heater	- Replaces existing hot water system with a <b>heat pump water heater</b>
Install Heat Pump For Heating/Cooling	- Replaces existing heating system with a <b>heat pump for heating and cooling</b>
Install ERVs	- Replaces existing ventilation system with an <b>energy recovery ventilator</b>
Install ERV & Heat Pump Combo	- Replaces existing ventilation and heating system with a <b>heat pump/energy recovery ventilator combo unit</b>

# Interactive Energy Retrofit Tool



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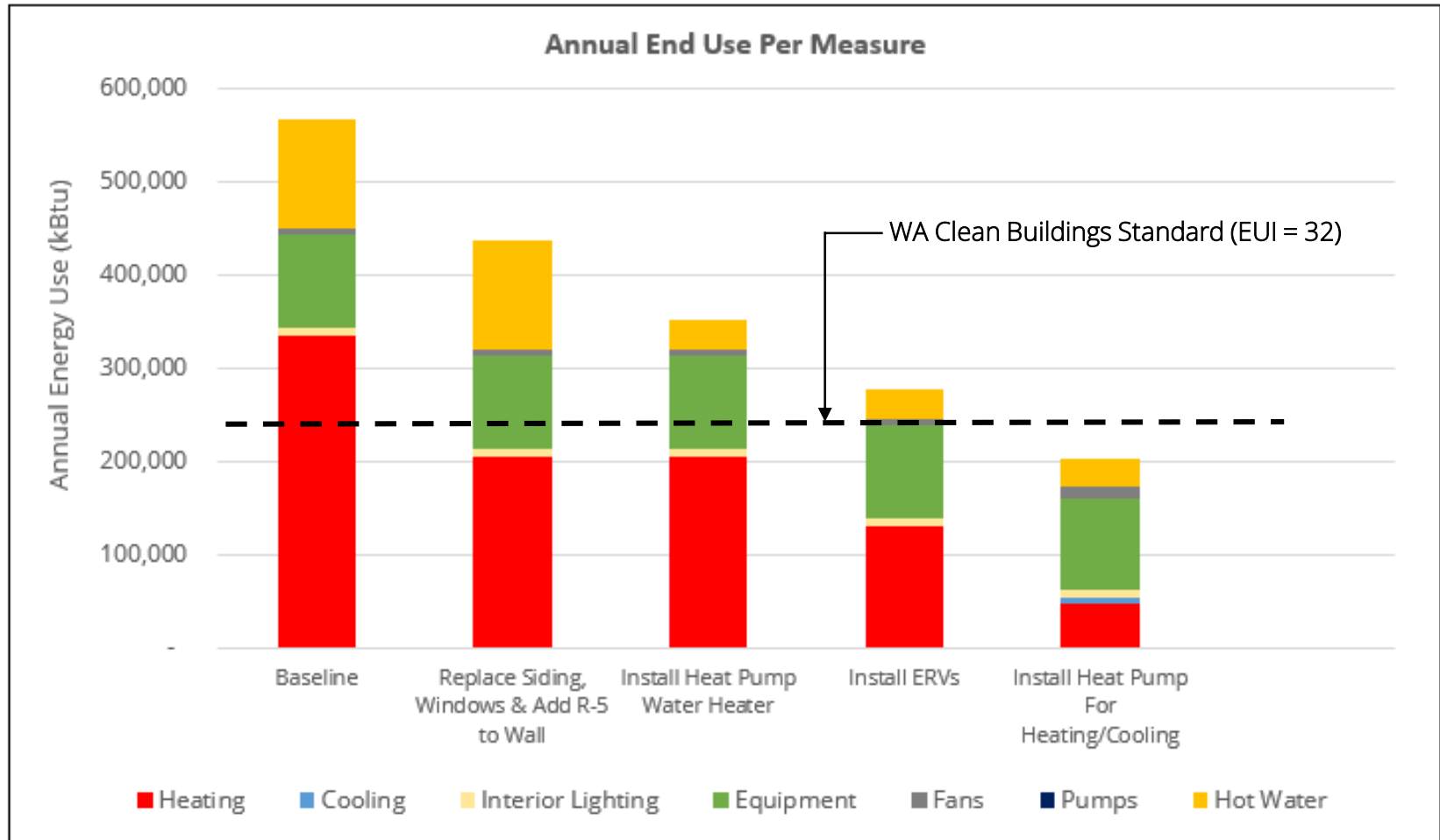
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Package Name	Package 2	EUI Target	32 kBtu/ft <sup>2</sup> /year
Building	8,100 ft <sup>2</sup> 10-Unit (14349 32nd Ave)	Energy Use	259,840 kBtu/year

	Baseline	Measure 1 Replace Siding, Windows & Add R-5 to Wall	Measure 2 Install Heat Pump Water Heater	Measure 3 Install ERVs	Measure 4 Install Heat Pump For Heating/Cooling	Measure 5
Wall Assembly <sup>a</sup>	10	15	15	15	15	Replace Windows
Roof Assembly <sup>b</sup>	17	17	17	17	17	Replace Windows & S
Window Assembly <sup>c</sup>	0.57	0.29	0.29	0.29	0.29	Replace Siding, Windo
Infiltration Rate <sup>d</sup>	0.00055	0.00035	0.00035	0.00035	0.00035	Replace Siding, Windo
Ventilation <sup>e</sup>	Exhaust Fan	Exhaust Fan	Exhaust Fan	ERV	ERV	Add R-20 to Roof
Heating/Cooling <sup>f</sup>	Gas	Gas	Gas	Gas	Heat Pump	Add R-30 to Roof
Water Heater <sup>g</sup>	Gas Water	Gas Water	Heat Pump Water	Heat Pump Water	Heat Pump Water	Install Heat Pump Wat
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EUI (kBtu/sf/year)	69.8	53.8	43.3	34.0	25.0	
Incremental Cost	-	\$107,013	\$15,000	\$25,000	\$177,000	
Incremental Annual Energy Cost Savings	-	\$1,641	\$823	\$945	\$461	
Simple Payback (years)	-	65	18	26	384	

# Interactive Energy Retrofit Tool



# Costing Tables

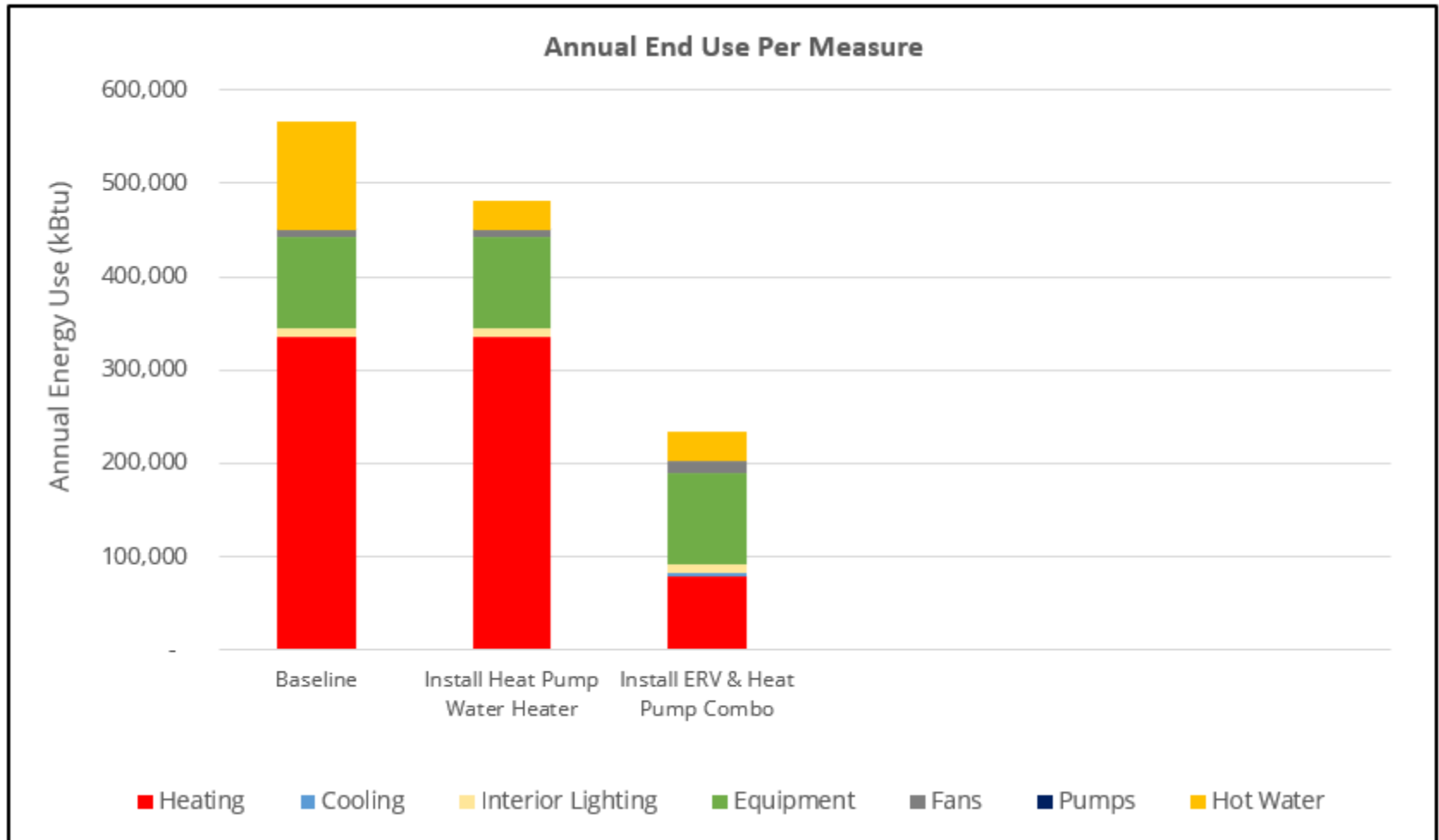


**Cost Inputs for Measure Cost<sup>a</sup>**

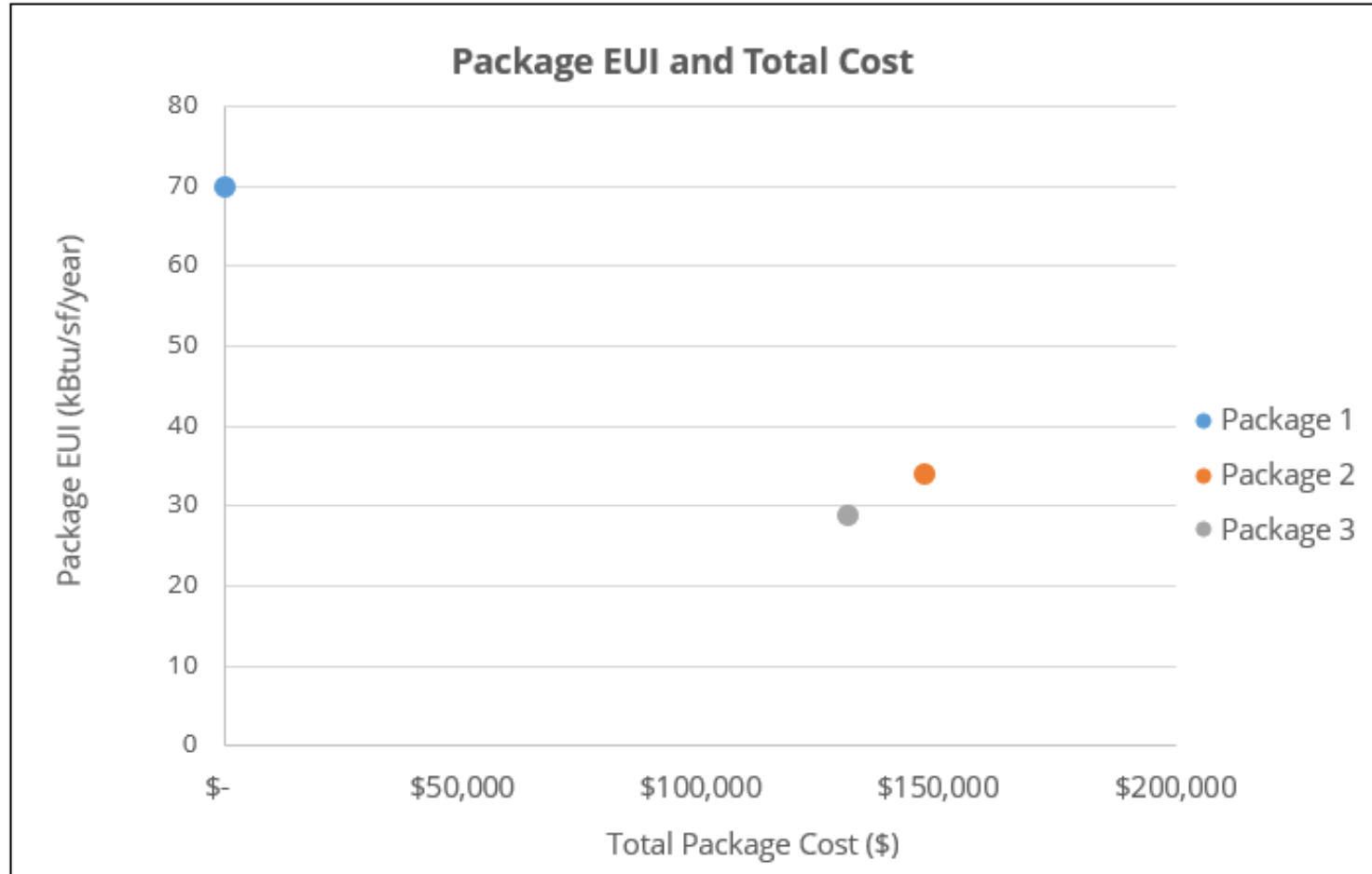
	Unitized Cost		Material Cost	Labor Cost	
Upgrade Windows	\$ 800.00	per window			
Replace Siding	\$ 10.00	per sf wall			
Add R-5 (while replacing siding)	\$ 1.33	per sf wall	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.33	per sf of wall
Add R-10 (while replacing siding)	\$ 1.83	per sf wall	\$ 1.50	\$ 0.33	per sf of wall
Add R-20 to Attic	\$ 2.00	per sf roof			
Add R-30 to Attic	\$ 3.00	per sf roof			
ERV	\$ 2,500.00	per apartment unit			
Heat Pump Outdoor	\$ 9,000.00	per outdoor unit			
Heat Pump Indoor Unit	\$ 3,000.00	per indoor unit			
Heat Pump Hot Water H	\$ 1,500.00	per water heater			
ERV & Heat Pump Combo	\$ 4,000.00	per combo unit			



# Energy End-Use Results



# Capital Cost Analysis



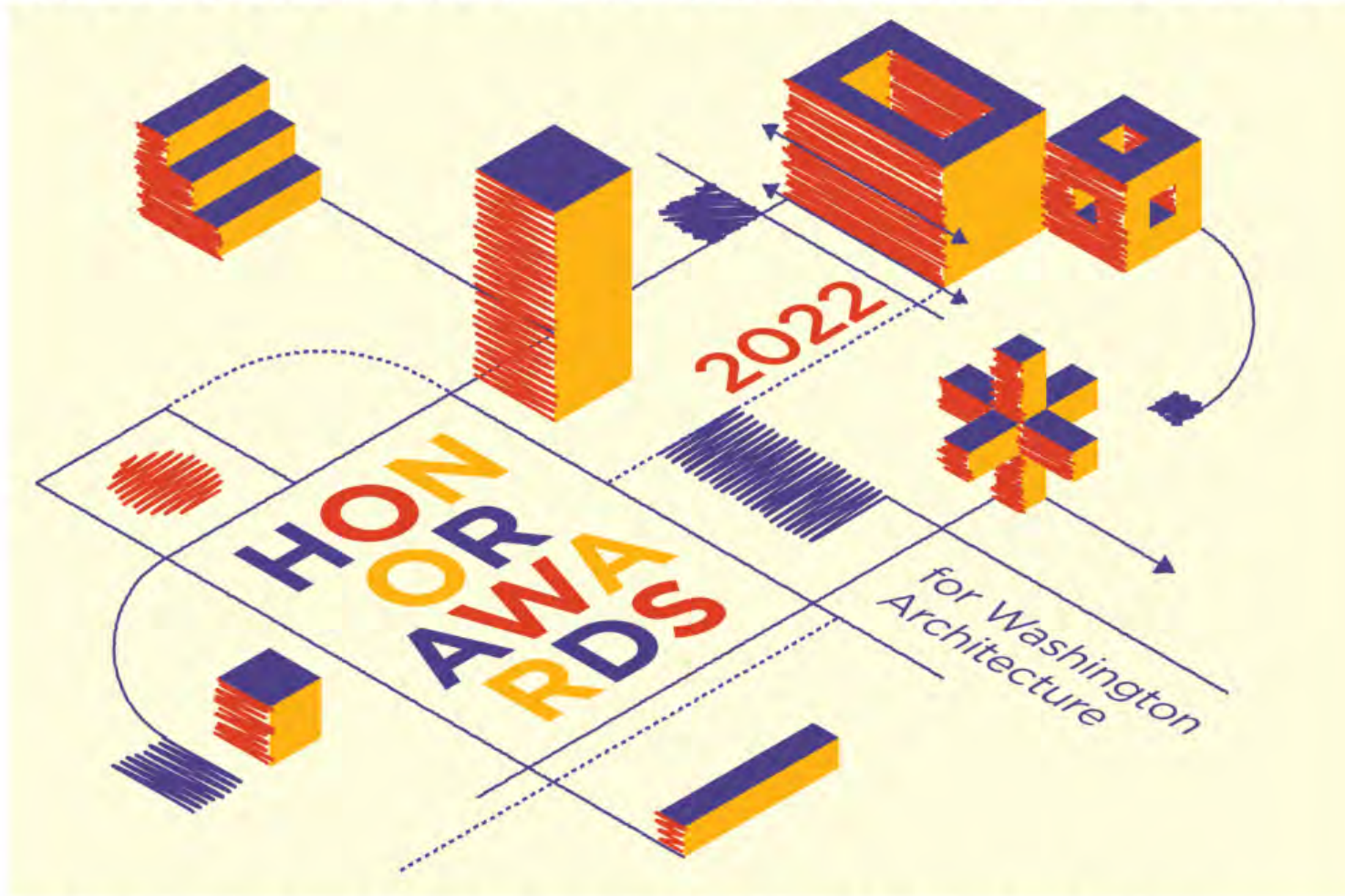
What questions does SHA have that data could answer?

- Total Energy Use Savings
- Energy impacts per dollar
- Conditional performance of measures based on others
- Visual comparison of different packages

Barriers to Broad Scalability:

- Requires development of a calibrated energy model
- Needs continuous measure cost updating

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# Energy Reporting Paths



**MEASURE 6  
DESIGN FOR ENERGY**

**Operational Data**

Benchmark EUI	132	kBTU/sf/yr <i>*Optional override with ZeroTool benchmark</i>
Energy Code that the project was built to?	Seattle Energy Code 2015	If "Other" please enter the energy code <a href="#">here</a>
Estimated EUI based on code	66	

**Prescriptive Performance**

Did you use prescriptive performance to meet the Energy code?	No	If no, skip to Modeled Performance
If your project complied prescriptively, but your goal was to exceed minimum performance, briefly describe your energy efficiency strategy.		

**Modeled Performance**

Was predictive energy consumption modeled?	Yes	
Predicted EUI for electricity	45	kBTU/sf/yr From your whole building energy model.
Predicted EUI for gas / propane	6	kBTU/sf/yr From your whole building energy model.
Predicted EUI of on-site renewables	12	kBTU/sf/yr (as a positive number)
Predicted Total Net EUI	39	kBTU/sf/yr
Predicted reduction from benchmark	70%	
Did you use the energy model to inform decisions during design?	Yes	

**Measured Performance**

Was actual energy measured?	Yes	
Measured EUI for electricity	43	kBTU/sf/yr From Utility Bills
Measured EUI for gas / propane	7	kBTU/sf/yr From Utility Bills
Measured EUI of on-site renewables	13	kBTU/sf/yr (as a positive number)
Measured Total Net EUI	37	kBTU/sf/yr
Measured reduction from benchmark	72%	
Percentage of project's total energy use met by renewables	26%	
Renewables are on site (NOT part of utility fuel mix or off-site renewables)	Yes	

**2030 Commitment**

2030 Commitment target	70%
Does the project meet the 2030 Challenge? (Prescriptive)	Nope :(
Does the project meet the 2030 Challenge? (As modeled)	Yes!
Does the project meet the 2030 Challenge? (As measured)	Yes!

**2030 Commitment Carbon calculations**

Net EUI for the purpose of carbon estimation (measured > modeled > code)	37	Measured EUI (kBTU/sf/yr)
Total carbon Benchmark	2,605	Tonnes / Yr
Total Estimated Carbon	730	Tonnes / Yr
Percent reduction in total carbon	72%	

## ENERGY IN DESIGN AWARD

TOTAL SUBMISSIONS **119**

NUMBER OF ENERGY SUBMISSIONS **101**

TOTAL SUBMISSIONS MEETING 2030 CHALLENGE **22**

ENERGY SUBMISSIONS MEETING 2030 CHALLENGE **22.8 %**

AVERAGE CO2 REDUCTION FROM 2030 CHALLENGE BASELINE:

ALL SUBMISSIONS **45.8%**

SUBMISSIONS MEETING 2030 CHALLENGE **81.3%**



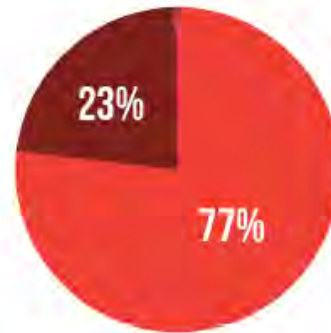
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Figure 4: Example summary table given to Energy In Design Award jurors.  
Image: AIA Seattle.



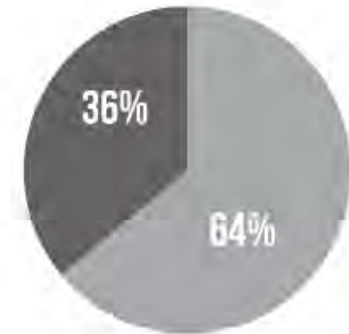
## ENERGY IN DESIGN AWARD

### Percentage of Submissions meeting the 2030 Challenge



- Did not meet the 2030 Challenge
- Met the 2005-2015 Guidelines

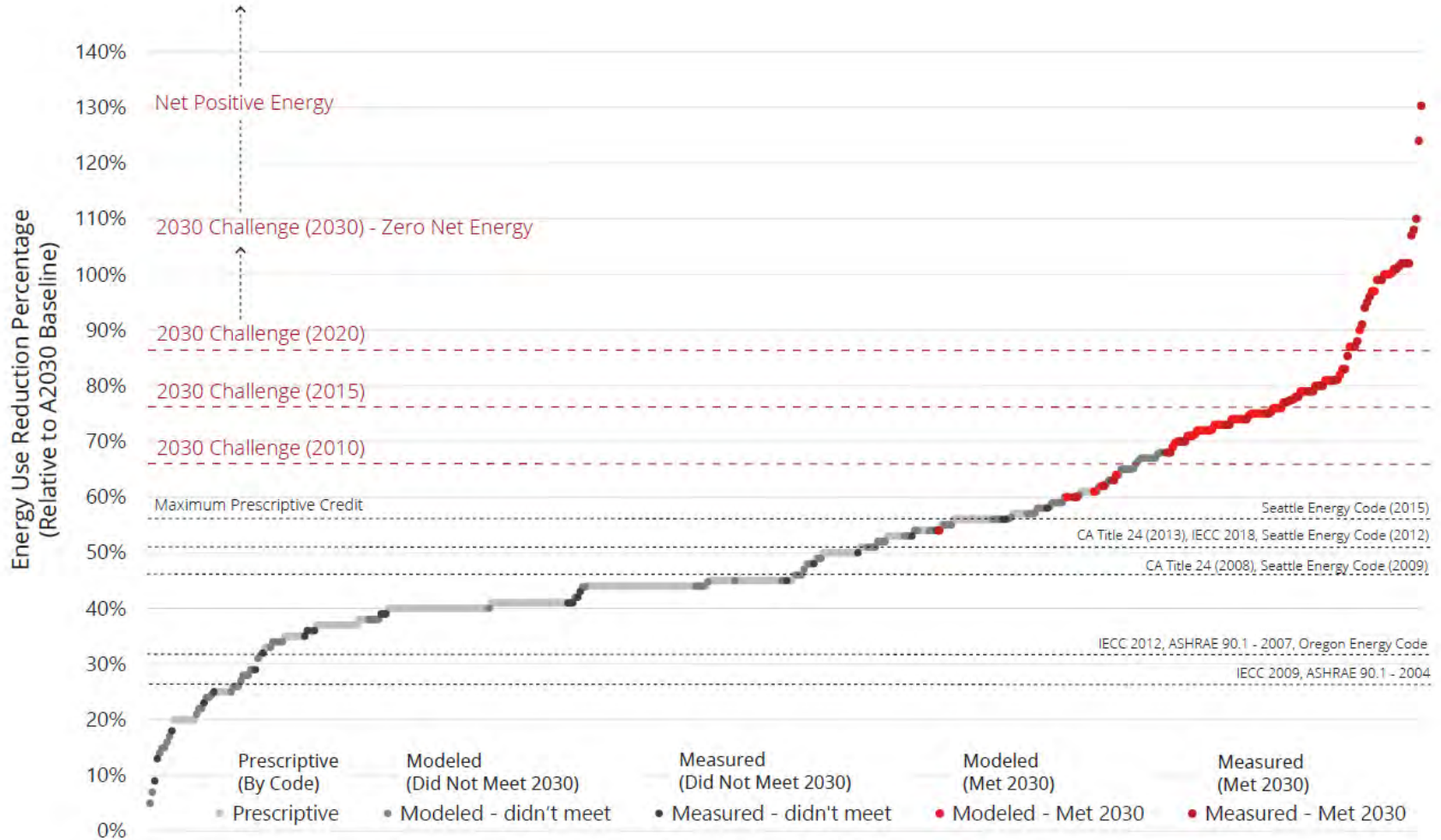
### Qualifying Entries Compliance Method



- Energy Model
- Actual Energy Bills

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Figure 6: Compliance statistics and submission data for one year (2016).  
Image: AIA Seattle.



## ENERGY USE REDUCTION FROM ALL SUBMISSIONS FROM 2016-2021

Figure 1. Energy use reduction percentage for all submissions to the Seattle Energy in Design award from 2016 to 2021. By method of energy use calculation and whether the project met the 2030 challenge, based on permit year.



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### Energy in Design: A Case Study Toward Performance-Based Recognition in Architectural Design Awards

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#### ABSTRACT

Architectural awards are a critical and longstanding part of design culture. They reveal the values of the design professions, confer legitimacy on projects and practitioners, and set future directions for industry. This paper provides six years of submission data and insights into incorporating required energy performance metrics as part of the annual Honor Awards program of a large metropolitan chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). Using the 2030 Challenge as a framework, the “Energy in Design” award is selected by the overall awards jury to recognize a project that demonstrates innovation and exceptional design for energy performance. In addition, the energy-performance data for all built projects is shared with the audience in graphic form and commentary at the awards event. The goals of this are to transform the priorities of practitioners and building owners and are threefold: (1) to encourage and elevate the cultural stature of performance-based energy-efficient design, (2) to recognize innovative or exemplary projects, and (3) to provide a “report card” to the design community of where their self-selected best projects sit relative to the 2030 Challenge continuum. This paper shares a case study of the program, including strategies for implementation of the award, lessons learned, and anonymized data from five years of submissions with reflections from key participants. It also includes growing alignment with emergent national efforts such as the AIA Common App for Design Excellence, and guidance for those seeking more widespread adoption of performance-based metrics in mainstream building design awards.

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