

End-Use Savings Shapes

Public Dataset Release: Commercial 2023 Release 1

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Logistics

- We are recording the webinar.
- Because of the large number of participants, everyone is **muted**.
- Please use the Q&A box to send us questions at any time during the presentation.
- The webinar slides, webinar recording, and full dataset will be available next week. This will be announced by email.

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Agenda

1 Our Approach to Building Stock Energy Modeling

2 Changes Since End-Use Load Profiles Release

3 End-Use Savings Shapes: 2023 Release 1

4 Accessing the Dataset

5 Next Steps

6 Q&A

EULP and EUSS

- The **End-Use Load Profiles (EULP)** project:
 - Created a public dataset for calibrated energy models of the U.S. commercial and residential building stock.

- The **End-Use Savings Shapes (EUSS)** follow-on project:
 - Adds the impact of several energy efficiency and electrification scenarios (“measures”) to the baseline stock models
 - [Residential EUSS Release 1](#) was presented September 2022
 - This presentation is for the **Commercial EUSS 2023 Release 1**.

Problem Statement

A lack of credible and relevant information results in inaction by cities, states, utilities, and other major stakeholders.

Will electrification of buildings...

- Reduce carbon emissions in my city?
- Be feasible in my building stock?
- Overload the grid?

Alignment and Impact

We are putting information in the hands of decision makers

In support of DOE goals to increase building energy efficiency, accelerate building electrification, and do so in ways that prioritize equity, affordability, and resilience

What the Datasets Provide

- Building stock characterization
- When and how buildings use energy
- Potential impacts of energy efficiency
- Information on time-sensitive value of energy resources
- Potential impacts of building electrification

How the Information Is Used

- Electrification planning
- Emissions analysis
- Decarbonization
- Utility-integrated resource plans and load forecasts
- Policy and rate design

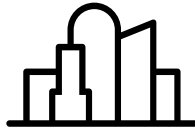
Our Approach to Stock Modeling



ComStock Workflow

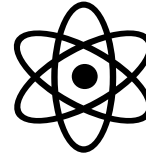
The Making of the Datasets:

- Describe the U.S. building stock quantitatively using best-available public data
- Sample the description
- Model the samples
- Model changes to the samples – energy efficiency, electrification, etc. [EUSS only]
- Publish description, samples, models, results, aggregations, visualizations, and documentation



Building stock characteristics database

- Variation in building type, size, location, vintage, HVAC system, etc.
- **Over 80** probability distributions of various attributes



Physics-based computer modeling

- Representative set of 350k OpenStudio energy models

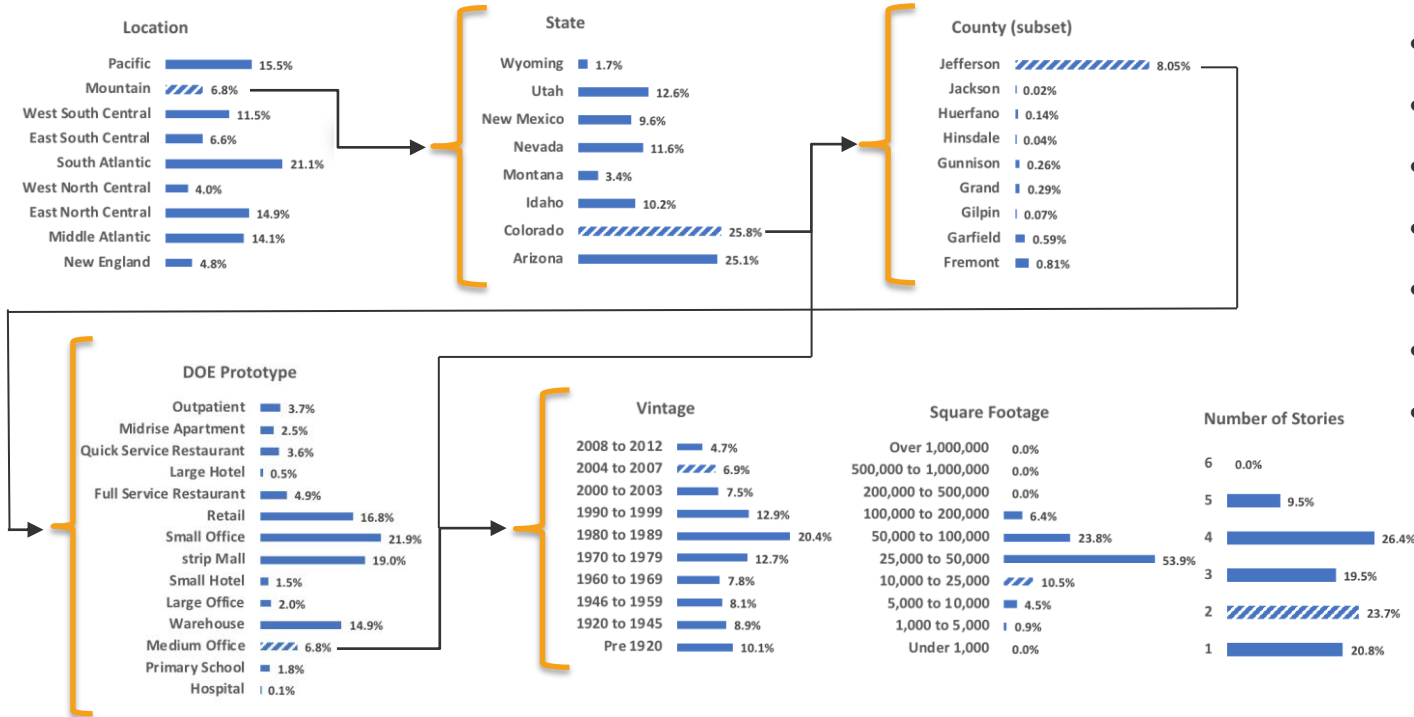


High-performance computing

- Simulate models
- Process and publish data
- Apply scaling factors

ComStock Workflow

Create distributions of building characteristics from available data sources →



- CoStar
- EIA CBECS
- ASHRAE
- HIFLD
- NFRC
- Analysis of AMI
- LightBox
- CPUC DEER
- Code Adoption

(see [ComStock Reference Documentation](#) for full list & acronyms)

Example of Select ComStock Building Characteristic Inputs

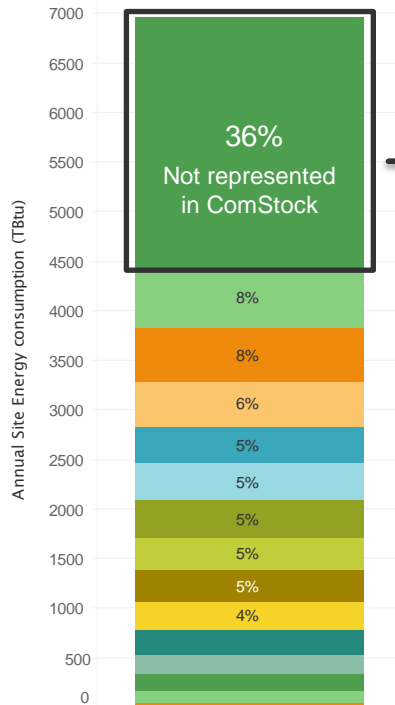
Location and Envelope Basics		Heating and Cooling		Energy Code Followed During Last Replacement	
Building ID	810	Heating	Central Single-zone RTU Furnace	HVAC	DOE Ref 1980-2004
City	St. Clair County Alabama	Heating Fuel	Natural Gas	Service Water Heating	DOE Ref 1980-2004
IECC Climate Zone	3A	Cooling	PSZ-AC with gas coil DX	Interior Equipment	DOE Ref 1980-2004
Building type	Stand Alone Retail	Setpoints and offsets	Heating: 67°F / 7°F	Exterior Lighting	90.1-2013
Year Built	1977		Cooling: 70°F / 8°F	Roof	DOE Ref Pre-1980
Floor area	3,000 sq ft	Service Water Htg Fuel	Electricity	Walls	DOE Ref Pre-1980
Stories	1	Occupancy Schedule		During Original Building Construction	DOE Ref Pre-1980
Windows	Double - No LowE - Clear – Aluminum	Weekday Operating Hours	9.25	Interior Equipment	
Average U Value	0.225 (Btu/ft2)	Weekday Opening Time	7.75	Interior Lighting Generation	Gen2 T8 Halogen
Window to Wall Ratio	0.18	Weekend Operating Hours	16.5	Lighting base to peak ratio	0.5
Wall type	Metal	Weekend Opening Time	6.25	Equipment base to peak ratio	0.1

What Does ComStock Model?

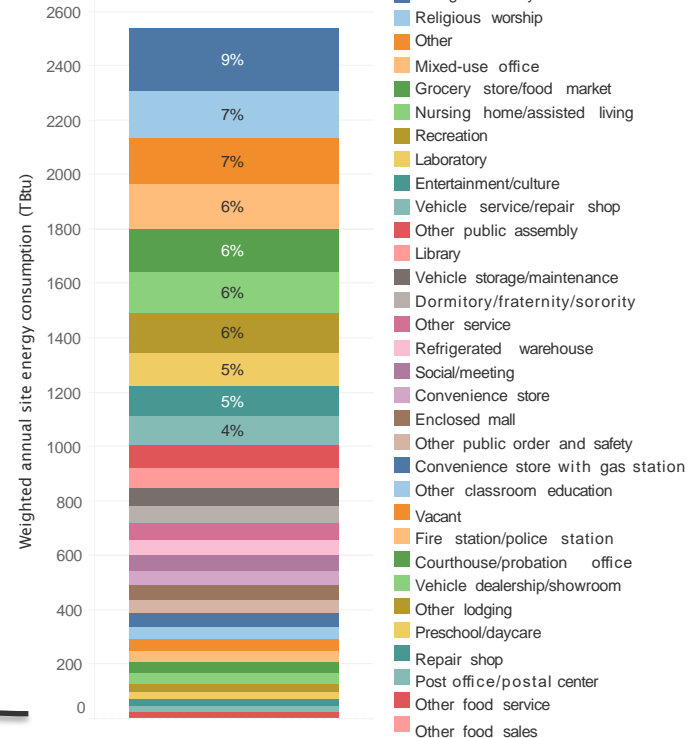
ComStock models ~64% of commercial building energy in the United States (CBECS 2012)

- Building Type
- Other (not modeled in ComStock)
 - RetailStripmall
 - Hospital
 - LargeOffice
 - FullServiceRestaurant
 - MediumOffice
 - Warehouse
 - PrimarySchool
 - RetailStandalone
 - LargeHotel
 - SmallOffice
 - SecondarySchool
 - Outpatient
 - QuickServiceRestaurant
 - SmallHotel

All Buildings Types in CBECS



Not in ComStock

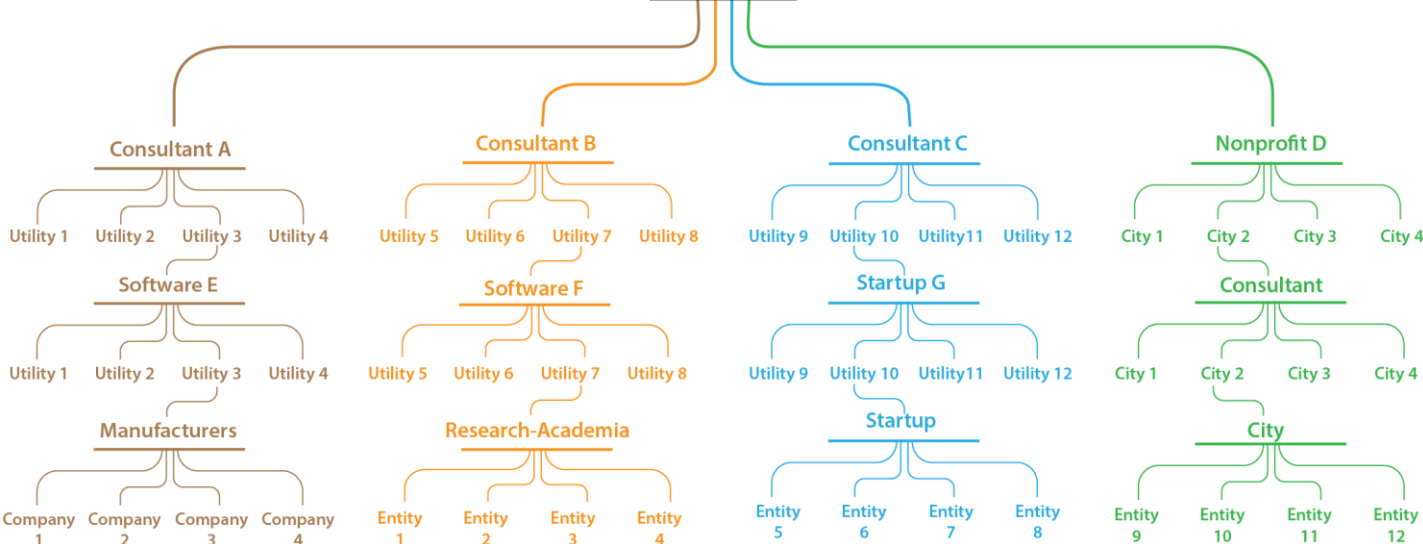


The "stock" in this presentation describes the commercial building types modeled by ComStock

Public datasets are intended to serve a broad set of use cases and audiences



National Datasets



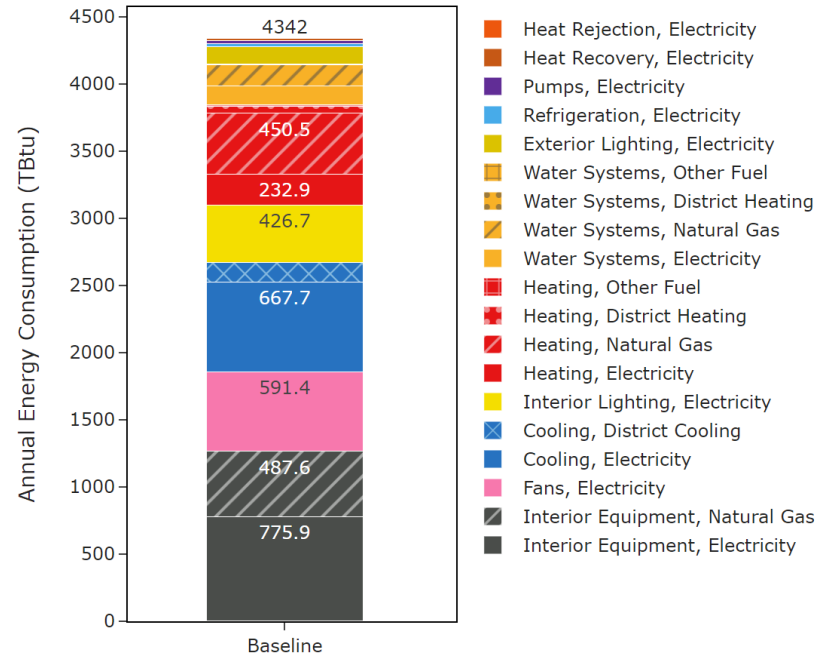
Please Note

- The ComStock model is **continuously updated** with new information, methods, and improved quality assurance/quality control procedures. Datasets are released in 6-month increments.
- Measures are **not intended to be comprehensive** of a given technology. As additional data becomes available, measure results can be updated.
- The measure result summaries in this presentation are intended to be **high-level observations** to introduce the dataset. For more detailed conclusions, please watch for updates on the publications section of our website.

Please Note Continued

- Compared to the disaggregated end-use energy data presented in CBECS 2012, in general ComStock is:
 - **Higher** on stock **electric heating** energy,
 - **lower** on stock **gas heating** energy, and
- Comparisons vary by building type.
- Measure results are relative to the ComStock baseline. Stock total savings and impact are sensitive to the baseline building assumptions.

ComStock Site Energy by Fuel and End Use



ComStock Documentation Released

ComStock Documentation is now public!

This document serves as a guide and resource to the methodology and assumptions behind ComStock.

Link

<https://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy23osti/83819.pdf>



ComStock Reference Documentation Version 1

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Changes Since EULP



Baseline Building Stock Representation

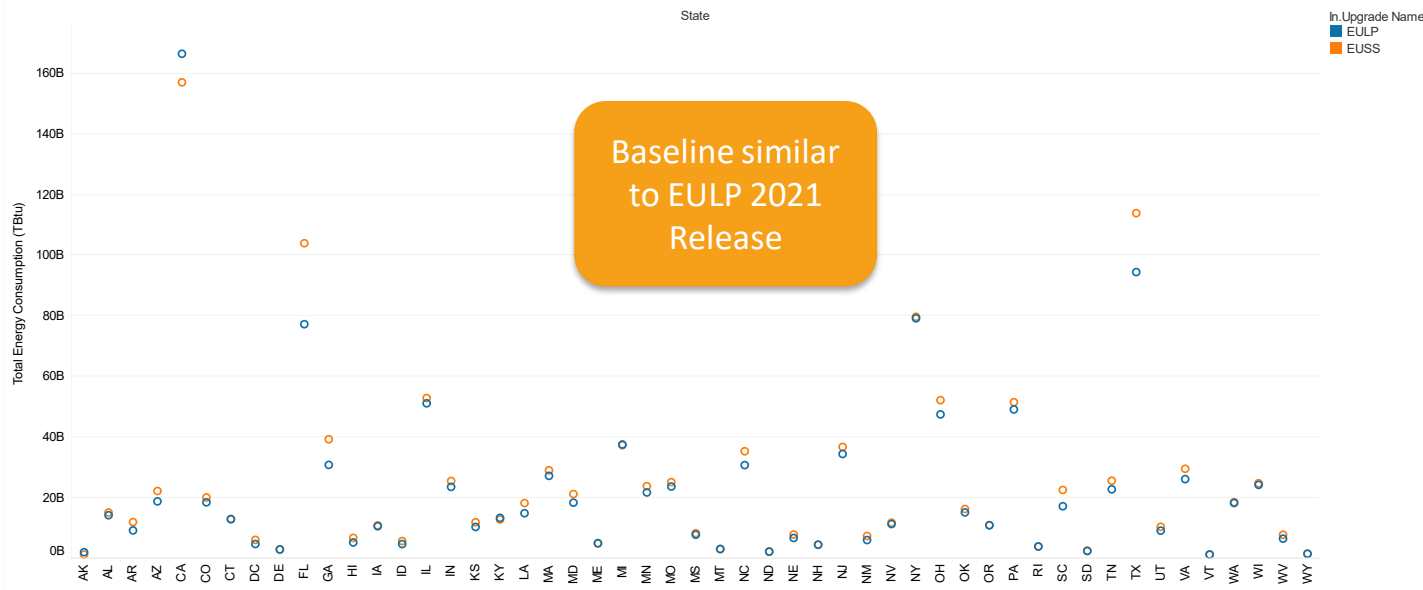
Major, 3-year calibration & validation process concluded fall 2021

- Technical report
- Published baseline dataset
- See project website for more information

Continuous improvements since then, including:

- Updated HVAC System and Fuel Type Distributions
- Ground Heat Transfer
- Wall Construction Type
- Technology Baselines for Lighting and Windows
- Update OpenStudio 2.9 to 3.4

EULP Baseline vs EUSS Baseline



End-Use Savings Shapes: Commercial 2023 Release 1

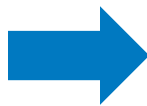
Measure methodology, results, and discussion

Commercial EUSS Approach

End-Use Load Profiles (EULP)

Describe how and when energy is used in buildings **today**.

Public database of 350,000 individual building models and their energy end-use load profiles.



End-Use Savings Shapes (EUSS)

Describe how and when energy is used in **“what if” scenarios**.

Adds measure impact profiles for energy efficiency and electrification packages versus the ComStock baseline.

EUSS 2023 commercial release 1 dataset represents the building stock circa 2018 using 2018 AMY weather

Measure Summary

Measure Name	Description	% of Stock Floor Area
Roof Top Unit (RTU) Heat Pump (HP)	Replace gas and electric RTUs with HP-RTU.	45%
Rooftop Ventilator + HP Split System	Replace gas and electric RTUs with Rooftop Ventilator + HP Split System in small commercial buildings (<20,000sf).	11%
Air to Water HP Boiler Retrofit	Replace gas boilers with heat pump boilers.	18%
LED Lighting	Upgrade all lighting to LED.	65%
Exterior Wall Insulation	Add exterior wall insulation panels.	98%
Secondary Windows	Add secondary windows.	>99%
Window Replacement	Replace windows.	>99%
Window Film	Add window film to windows.	>99%
Roof Insulation	Add roof insulation.	>99%

Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Electricity

- 3 grid electricity scenarios compared today; more included in published dataset
- This work does not imply a preference for any grid emission scenario

Electricity Grid Scenario	Start Year	Levelization Period (3% discount rate)	Data Source
LRMER HighRECost	2022	15 years	NREL Cambium [1]
LRMER LowRECost	2022	15 years	NREL Cambium [1]
eGRID	2021	N/A	EPA eGRID [2]

Greenhouse gas emissions in dataset represent equivalent CO₂ emissions.

On-Site Combustion Fuels

- Values from Table 7.1.2(1) of draft ANSI/RESNET/ICCC 301 [3]

Natural Gas	147.3 lb/mmBtu (228.0 kg/MWh)
Propane	177.8 lb/mmBtu (182.3 kg/MWh)
Fuel Oil	195.9 lb/mmBtu (303.2 kg/MWh)

* LRMER = Long Run Marginal Emissions Rate

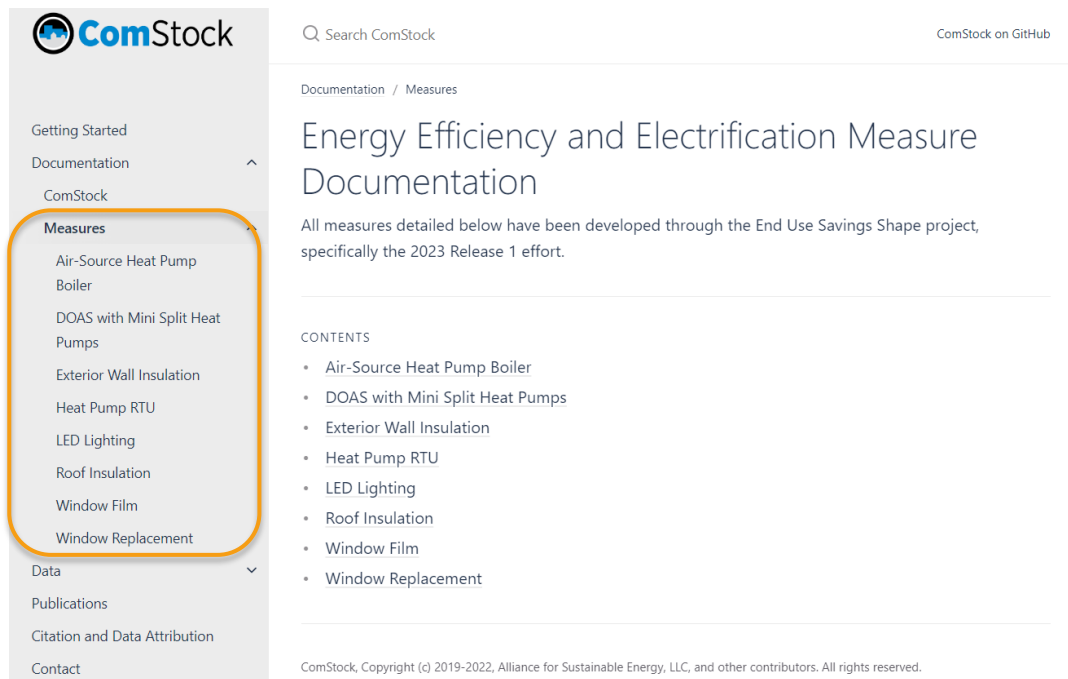
Note on Heat Pump Modeling

- **Limited comprehensive heat pump performance maps exist** which are required for detailed energy modeling. This creates limitations of the understanding of heat pump performance and operation in this work.
- **Heat pump modeling is sensitive** to performance assumptions due to the strong relationship between efficiency and capacity with outdoor air temperature. This impacts both annual energy consumption and peak demand.
- This work attempts to use the most informative data available and makes documented assumptions about heat pump operation and performance. These will notably impact results. **Please consider these assumptions.**
- The assumptions used for the measures **represent one of multiple possible approaches.** They are intended to be reasonable but not necessarily optimal. Assumptions can be modified as our understanding of the technologies improves.

ComStock Measure Documentation Website

Comprehensive documentation available for each measure.

Describes the modeling methodology, assumptions, relevant ComStock baseline features, and observations from results.



The screenshot displays the ComStock website interface. On the left is a navigation sidebar with the ComStock logo at the top. Below the logo are links for 'Getting Started', 'Documentation', 'ComStock', 'Measures', 'Data', 'Publications', 'Citation and Data Attribution', and 'Contact'. The 'Measures' link is highlighted with an orange rounded rectangle. The main content area on the right features a search bar at the top right, a breadcrumb trail 'Documentation / Measures', and a title 'Energy Efficiency and Electrification Measure Documentation'. Below the title is a paragraph: 'All measures detailed below have been developed through the End Use Savings Shape project, specifically the 2023 Release 1 effort.' A 'CONTENTS' section follows, listing ten measures: Air-Source Heat Pump Boiler, DOAS with Mini Split Heat Pumps, Exterior Wall Insulation, Heat Pump RTU, LED Lighting, Roof Insulation, Window Film, and Window Replacement. At the bottom of the page, a copyright notice reads: 'ComStock, Copyright (c) 2019-2022, Alliance for Sustainable Energy, LLC, and other contributors. All rights reserved.'

Access at: <https://nrel.github.io/ComStock.github.io/docs/documentation/measures/measures.html>

Note on Energy Savings

Stock Energy Savings

Represents energy-weighted savings across the stock, not just applicable buildings.

Does not represent the average savings that a building would experience for a measure.

For individual building savings, use the raw data to perform your analysis on specific building samples.

Site Energy Savings

Represents energy savings for resources used on site.

Does not necessarily translate proportionally to savings for source energy, operational cost, or avoided greenhouse gas emissions. These factors should also be considered where appropriate, especially for electrification measures that change the heating fuel type of buildings.

Heat Pump Rooftop Units (HP-RTU)

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Measure Concept

- Replace gas and electric RTUs with HP-RTU
- Variable speed, high efficiency (>17 IEER)

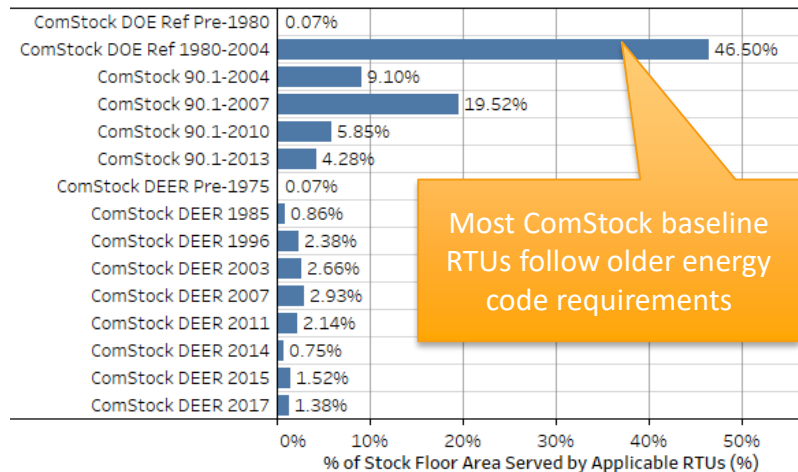
HP-RTU Performance

- **Type:** Variable speed compressor and fan
- **Sizing:** Compressor sized to design cooling load; backup heat sized for remainder
- **Backup Heat:** Electric resistance
- **Compressor Lockout:** 0°F
- **Defrost:** Reverse cycle
- **Performance Data Source:** Mix of lab testing and manufacturer performance data

Applicability

- Buildings w/ gas or electric resistance RTUs
- **~45%** of stock floor area

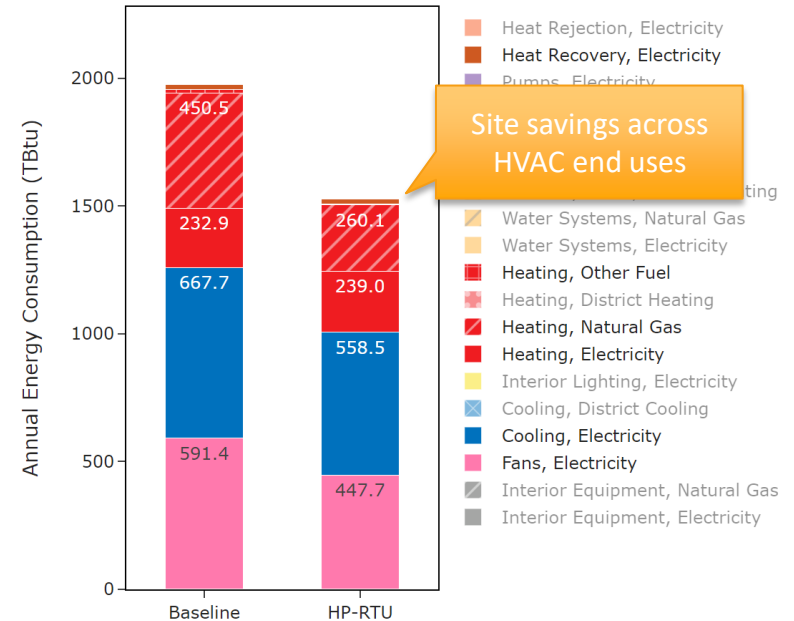
ComStock RTU Energy Code Followed



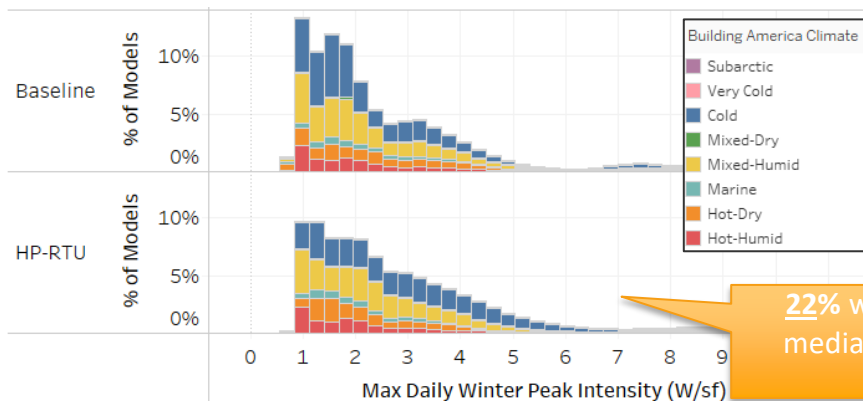
Heat Pump Rooftop Units (HP-RTU)

- **42%** stock heating gas savings (190 TBtu)
- **-3%** stock heating electricity savings (-6 TBtu)
- **16%** stock cooling electricity savings (109 TBtu)
- **24%** stock fan electricity savings (144 TBtu)
- Cooling and fan savings could also be attributed to high-performance non-HP-RTUs
- Savings associated with premium units

Stock Site Energy by Fuel and End Use

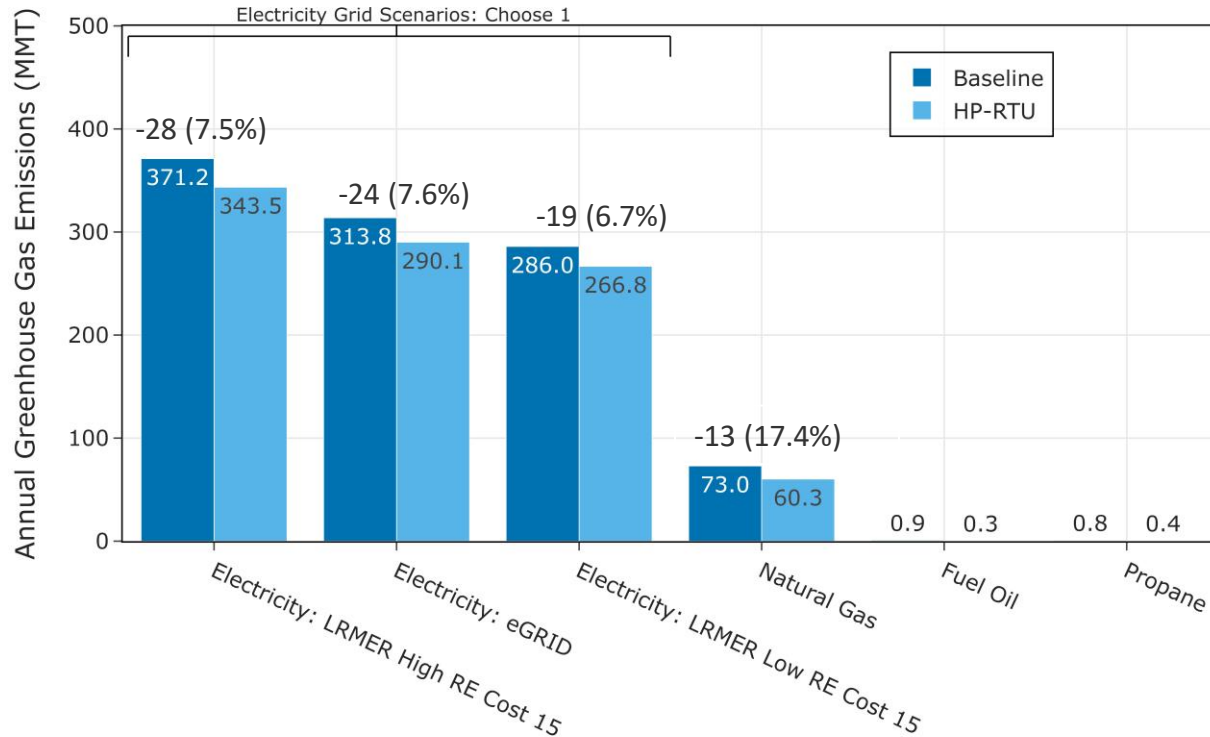


Non-Coincident Winter Peak for Buildings With Gas RTUs



22% winter electric peak intensity increase for median HP-RTU model compared to ComStock baseline gas RTUs

Heat Pump Rooftop Units (HP-RTU)



- Emissions avoided across all grid scenarios
- Electricity emissions avoided are from cooling and fan end uses; also from replacing electric resistance RTUs with HP-RTUs

Dedicated Outdoor Air Units (DOAS) With Mini Split Heat Pumps

DOAS HP Mini Splits

Measure Concept

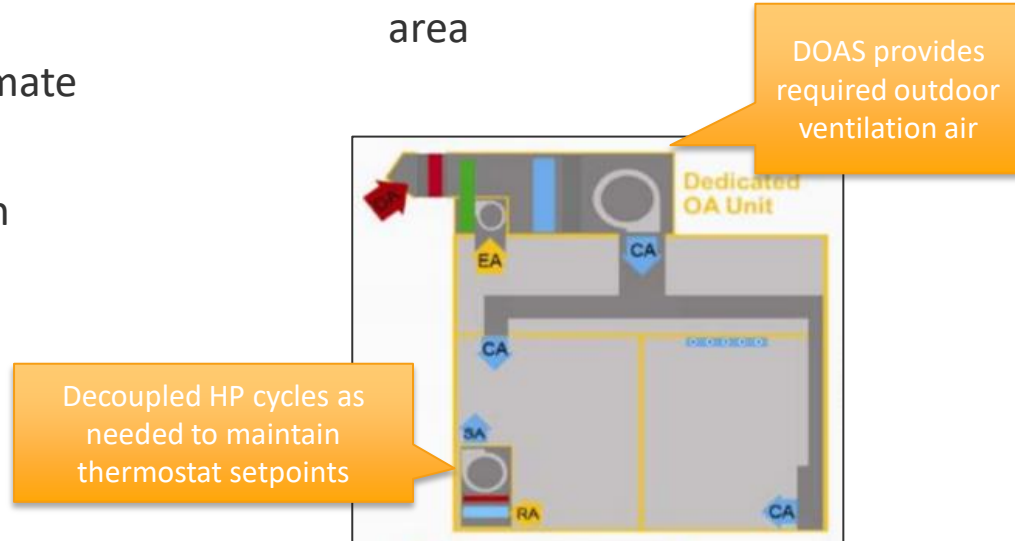
- Replace gas and electric RTUs with DOAS and HP mini splits (decoupled) in small commercial
- Premium efficiency (>25 SEER, >14 HSPF) & suitable for cold climates
- ERV or HRV added to DOAS based on climate

Mini Split HP Performance

- **Type:** Variable speed compressor and fan
- **Sizing:** Up to 135% design cooling load
- **Backup Heat:** Electric resistance
- **Compressor Lockout:** -15°F
- **Defrost:** Reverse cycle
- **Performance Data Source:** Previous lab testing

Applicability

- Buildings <20,000sf w/ applicable RTUs
- Applicable to **11%** of stock floor area

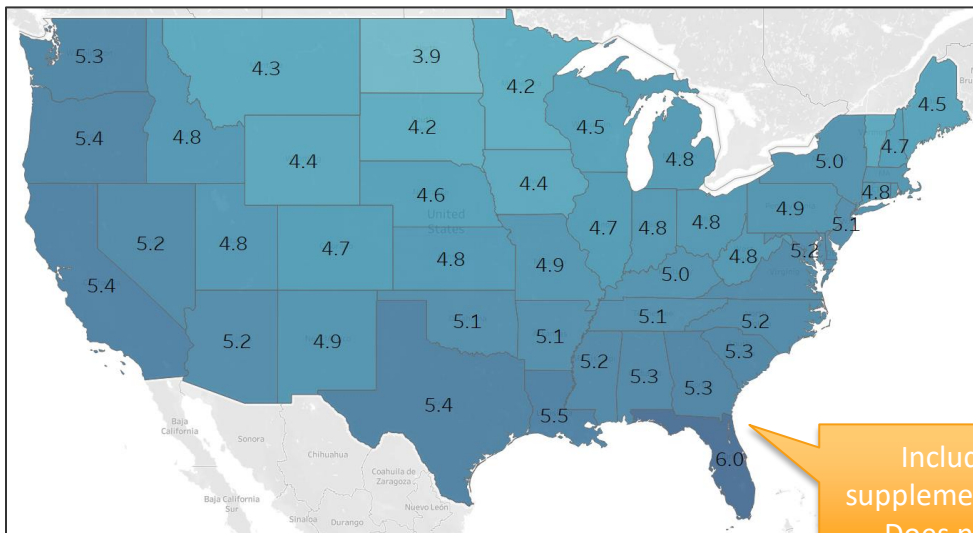


Source: R. C. Analytics 2021 [6]

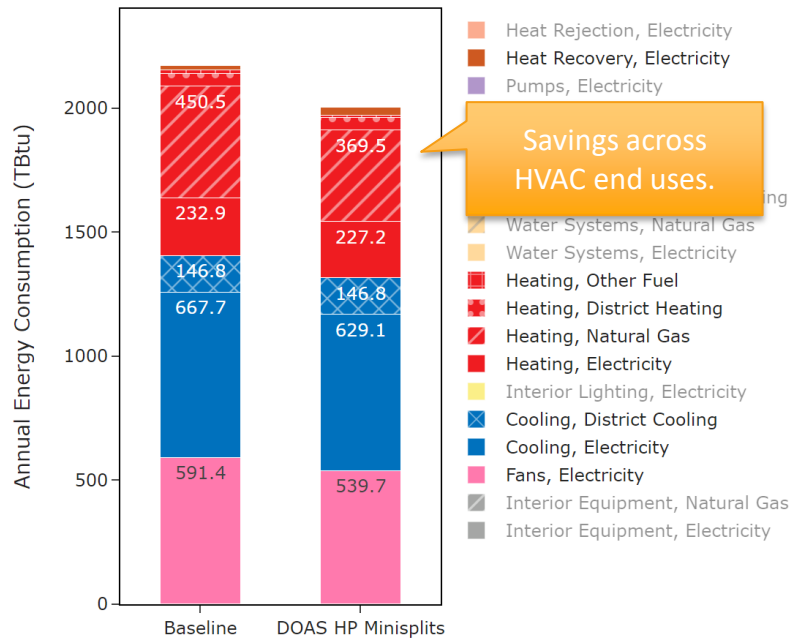
DOAS HP Mini Splits

- **2%** stock heating electricity savings (6 TBtu)
- **18%** stock heating gas savings (81 TBtu)
- **6%** stock cooling electricity savings (39 TBtu)

Annual Average Model Effective Heating COP by State

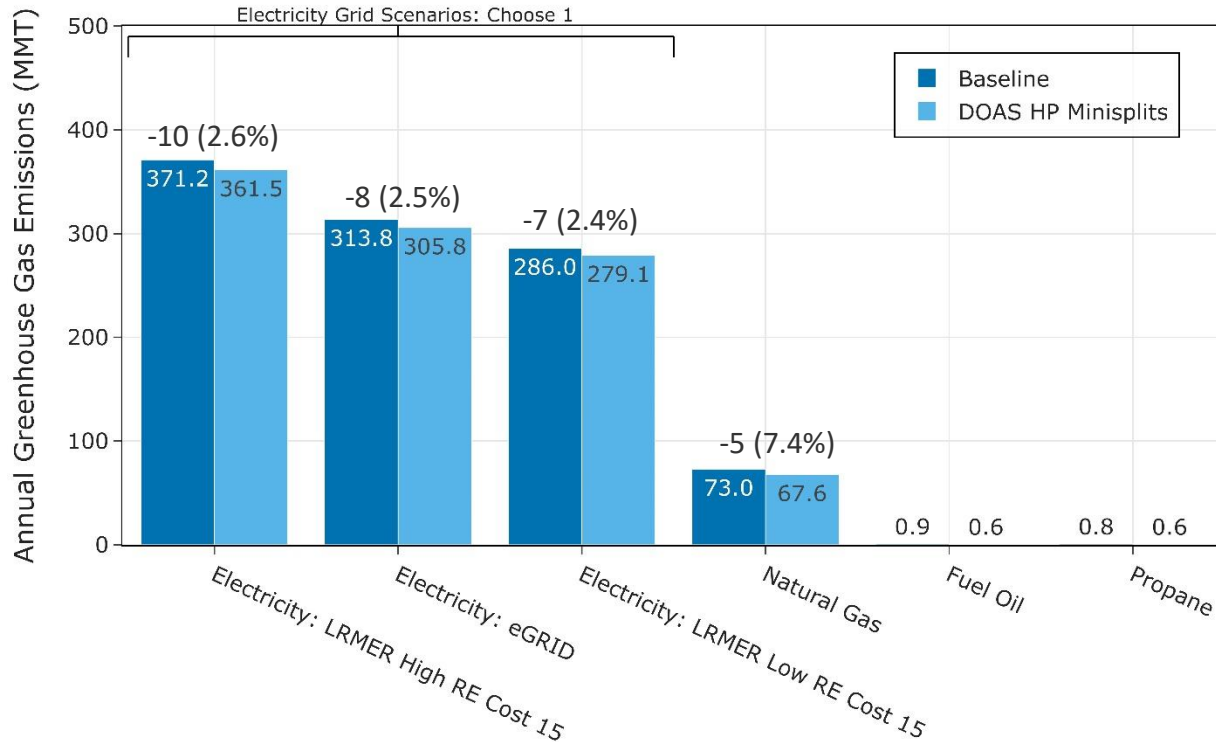


Stock Site Energy by Fuel and End Use



Includes electricity due to supplemental heating and defrost.
Does not include supply fan.

DOAS HP Mini Splits



- Emissions avoided across all grid scenarios
- Electricity emissions avoided are from cooling and fan end uses; also from replacing electric resistance RTUs with DOAS HP mini splits

Heat Pump Boiler

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Measure Concept

- Replace natural gas boilers for space heating with air source heat pump boiler
- 140°F supply temperature
- Electric resistance boiler added for backup

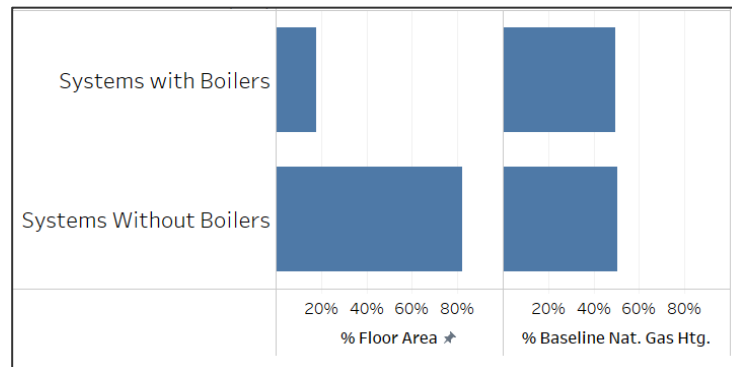
Heat Pump Boiler Performance

- **Sizing:** Meet loads down to 17°F
- **Backup Heat:** Electric resistance boiler
- **Compressor Lockout:** -5°F
- **Defrost:** Integrated into performance curves
- **Performance Data Source:** Manufacturer data

Applicability

- Buildings with natural gas boiler for space heating
- Applicable to **17.8%** of stock floor area

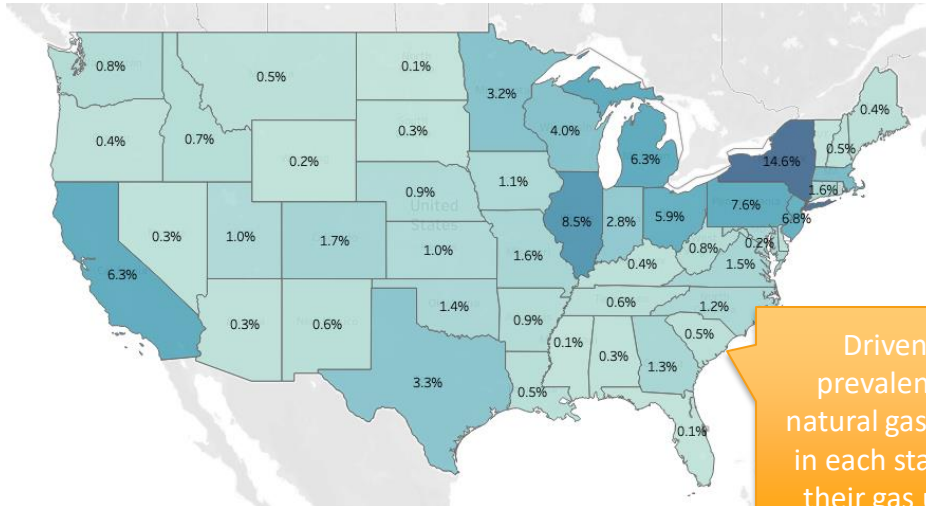
Gas Boiler Floor Area and Heating Energy (%)



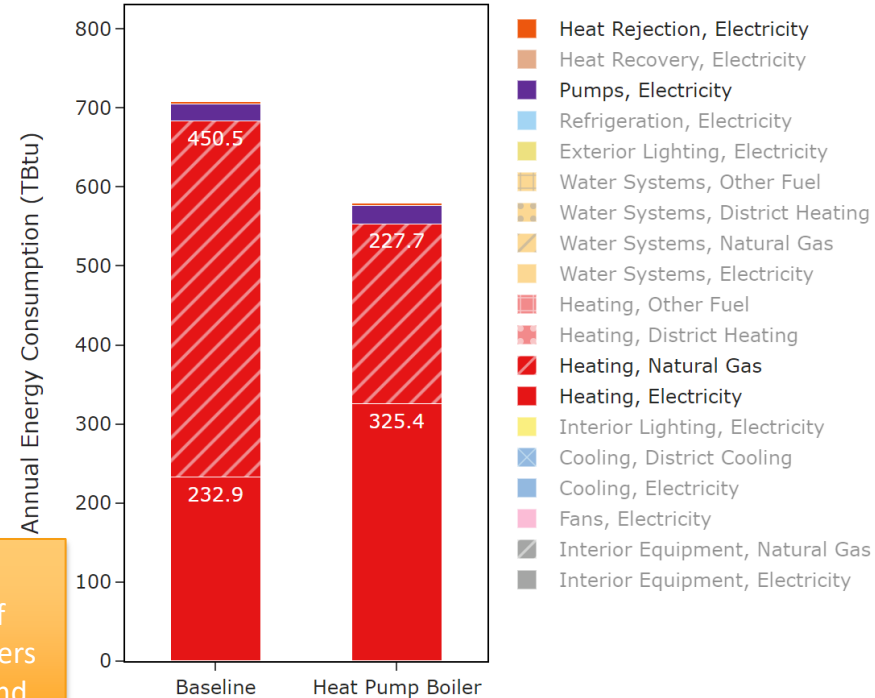
Heat Pump Boiler

- 49% stock heating natural gas savings (223 TBtu)
- -40% stock heating electricity savings (-81 TBtu)

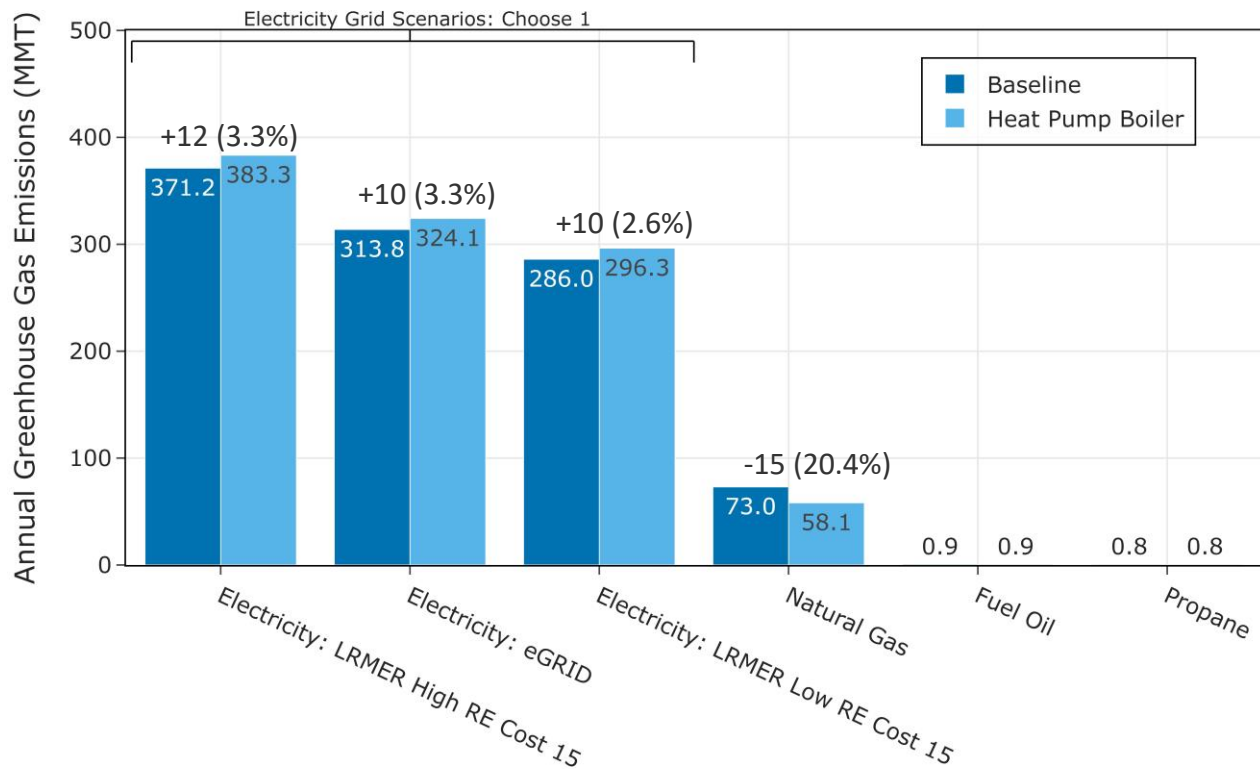
Where are the natural gas heating savings coming from?



Stock Site Energy by Fuel and End Use



Heat Pump Boiler



- Net emissions avoided despite increased electricity emissions
- Increased electricity emissions from electrifying gas boilers

LED Lighting

LED Lighting

Measure Concept

- Replace all interior lighting in a building with LEDs

Applicability

- Buildings without LED interior lighting
- Applicable to **65%** of stock floor area

Baseline

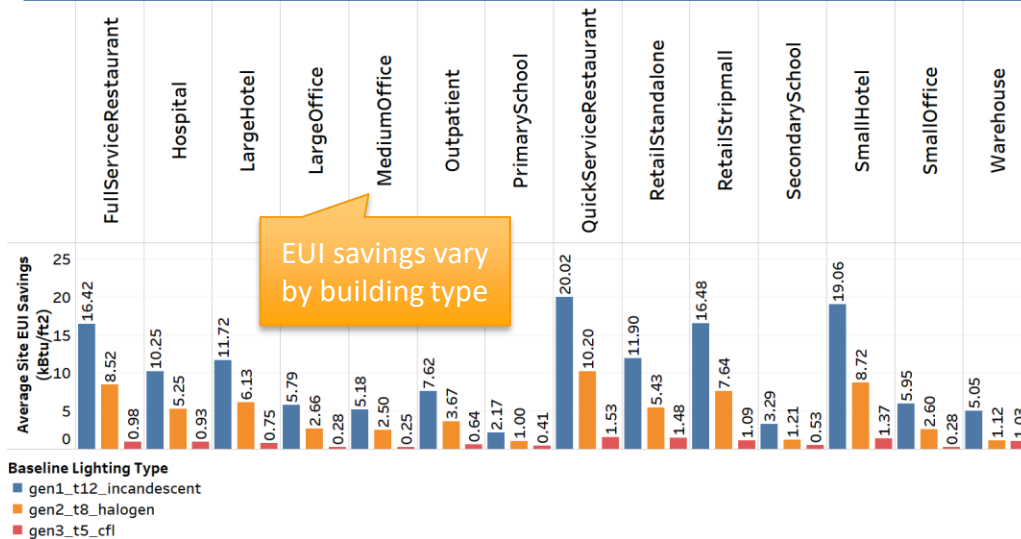
- Baseline lighting power density and technology distribution data from:
 - ASHRAE 90.1 Lighting Subcommittee space type lighting assumptions
 - *2015 U.S. Lighting Market Characterization* [4]
 - *Energy Savings Forecast of Solid-State Lighting in General Illumination Applications* [5]

% Stock Floor Area per Lighting Type

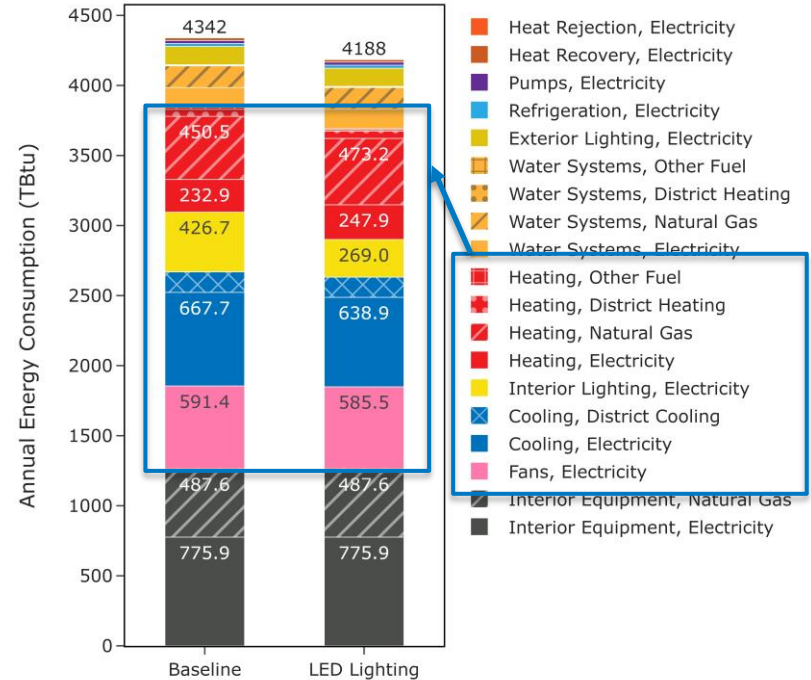
ComStock Building Type	t12_incandescent	t8_halogen	t5_cfl	Gen 4 LED	Gen 5 LED
Full-Service Restaurant	0.5%	1.2%	0.1%	0.7%	0.2%
Hospital	0.7%	2.0%	0.3%	1.1%	0.4%
Large Hotel	0.7%	2.4%	0.2%	1.3%	0.3%
Large Office	1.3%	4.2%	0.4%	2.2%	0.7%
Medium Office	1.1%	3.7%	0.4%	2.2%	0.6%
Outpatient	0.6%	1.4%	0.2%	2.2%	0.2%
Primary School	1.8%	5.0%	0.6%	3.3%	0.7%
Quick-Service Restaurant	0.1%	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%	0.0%
Retail Stand Alone	1.4%	3.9%	0.4%	2.6%	0.6%
Retail Strip Mall	1.3%	4.4%	0.4%	2.8%	0.6%
Secondary School	1.0%	2.6%	0.3%	1.6%	0.3%
Small Hotel	0.2%	0.5%	0.1%	0.3%	0.1%
Small Office	1.2%	3.5%	0.4%	2.2%	0.5%
Warehouse	3.1%	11.1%	1.0%	6.6%	1.6%

LED Lighting

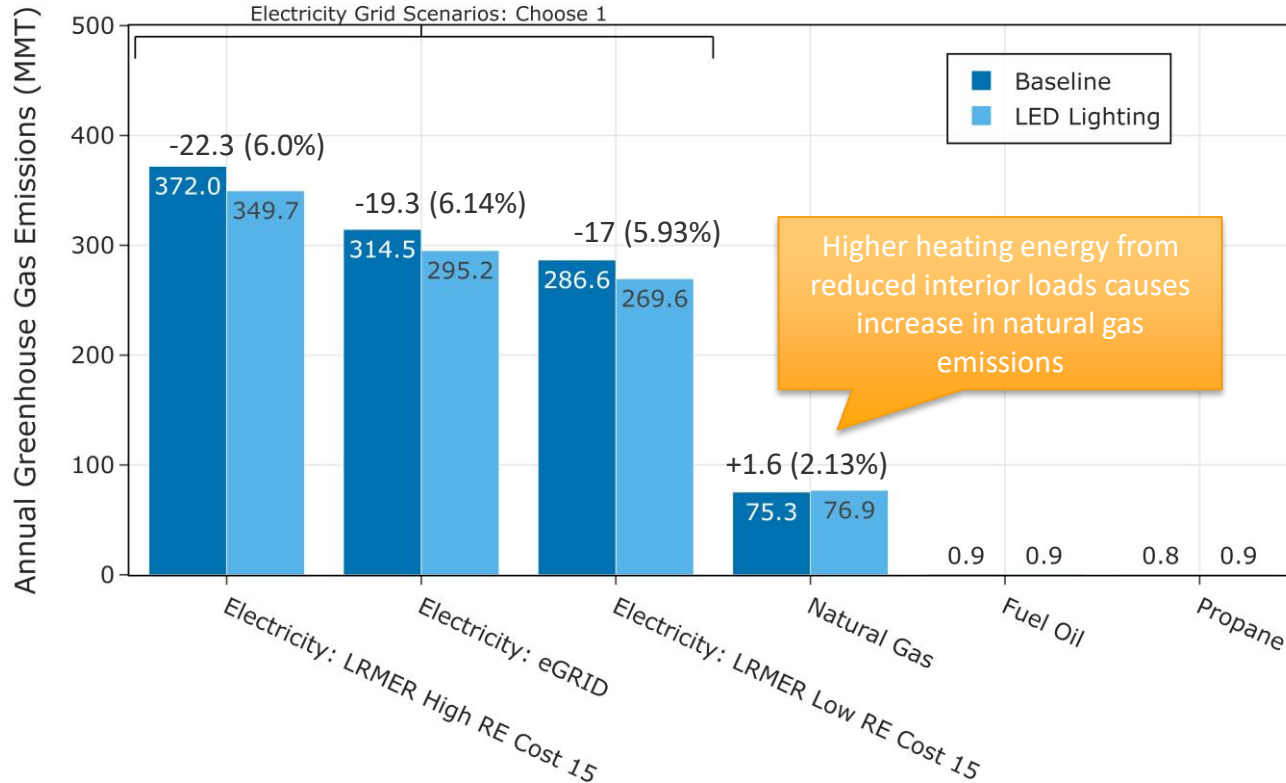
- **48% (157.7 TBtu) electricity interior lighting savings**
- Small changes to cooling, heating, and fan energy from internal load reduction
- Higher site EUI savings for models with earlier generation interior lighting (T12/incandescent)



Stock Site Energy by Fuel and End Use



LED Lighting



- Emissions avoided for all grid scenarios from reduced lighting energy and cooling loads
- Additional heating load from reduced internal loads causes slight increase in combustion fuel emissions

Exterior Wall Insulation

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Measure Concept

Add rigid insulation under exterior cladding outside structural elements

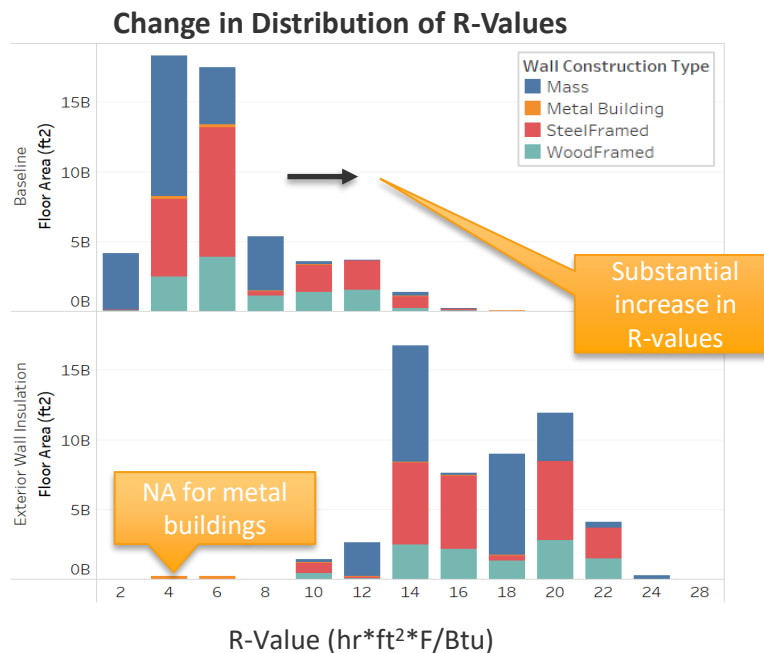
- Not applicable to metal building walls
- Round to nearest 1" of insulation
- If < 0.5" required, NA
- Target total performance ~R-13 to 29

Wall Insulation Performance

AEDG Target Values	Climate Zone	R-Value (hr*ft ² *F/Btu)
Opaque Wall Assembly Thermal Performance	1	13
	2	13
	3	16
	4	16
	5	19
	6	21
	7	21
	8	29

Applicability

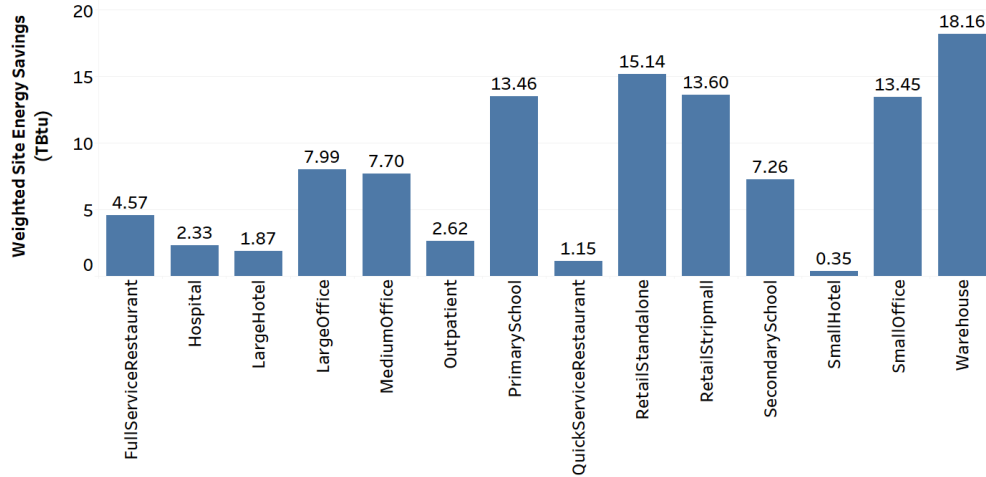
- Buildings with mass, steel-framed, or wood-framed walls
- Applicable to **98%** of stock floor area



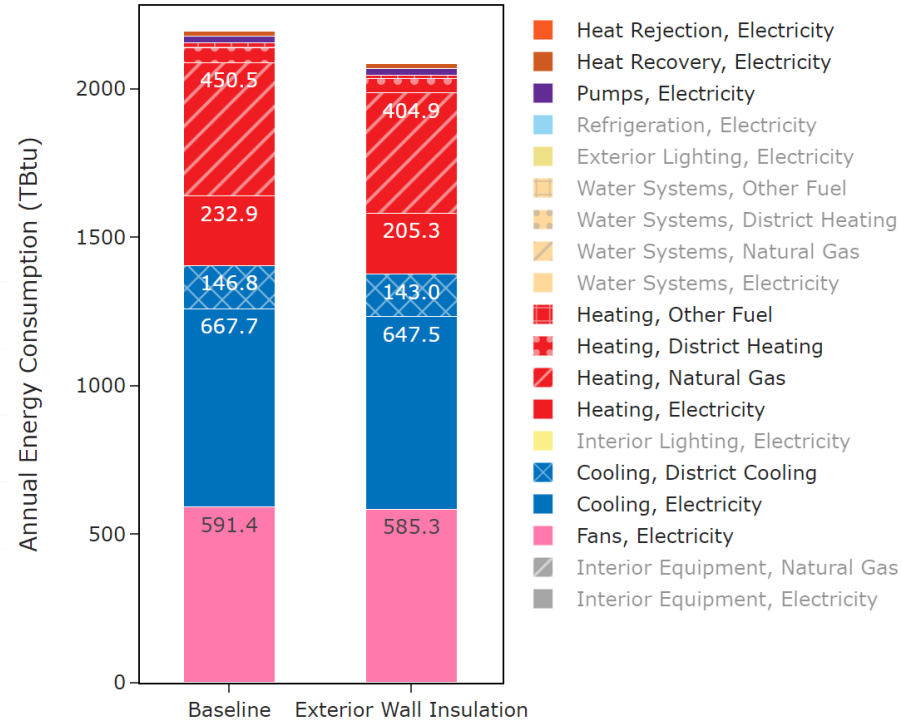
Exterior Wall Insulation

- **12%** stock **heating electricity** savings (79 TBtu)
- **10%** stock **heating gas** savings (46 TBtu)
- **3%** stock **cooling electricity** savings (20 TBtu)
- **1%** stock **fan electricity** savings (6 Tbtu)
- Generally decreases heating and cooling loads
- Sometime causes increased cooling loads

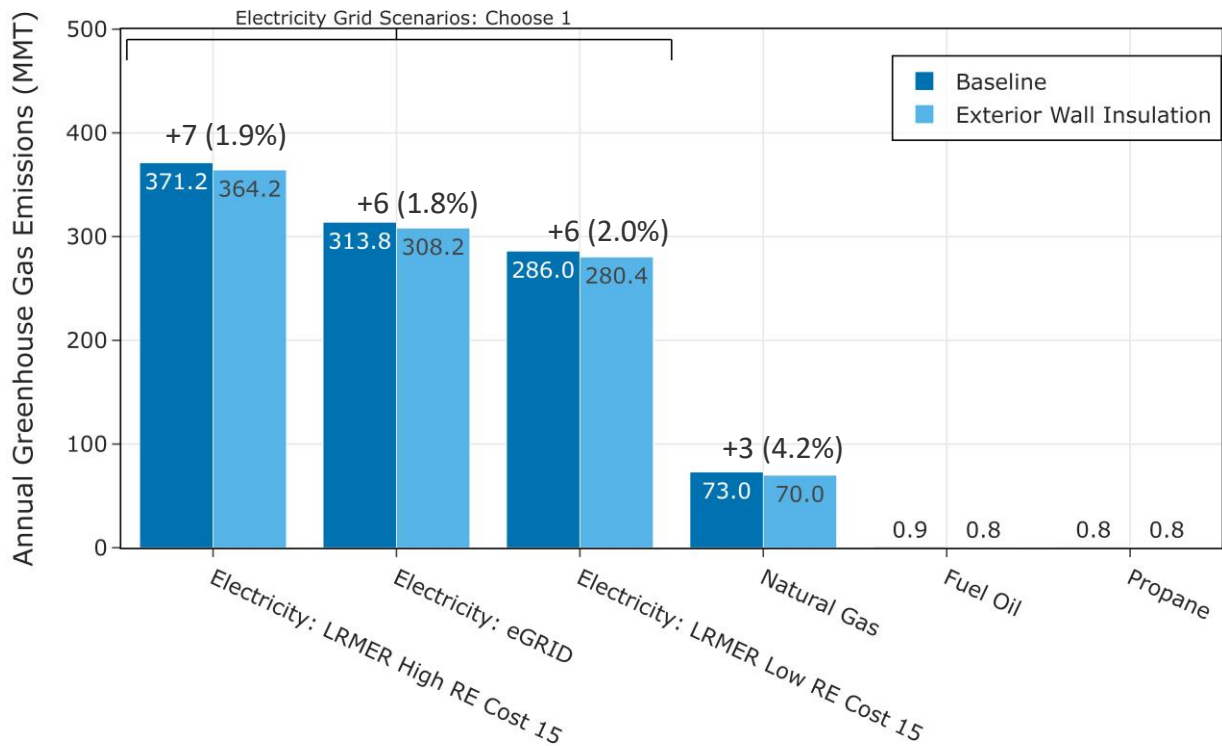
Stock Site Energy Savings by Building Type



Stock Site Energy by Fuel and End Use



Exterior Wall Insulation



Emissions avoided across all grid scenarios and combustion fuels from HVAC load reductions

Window Films

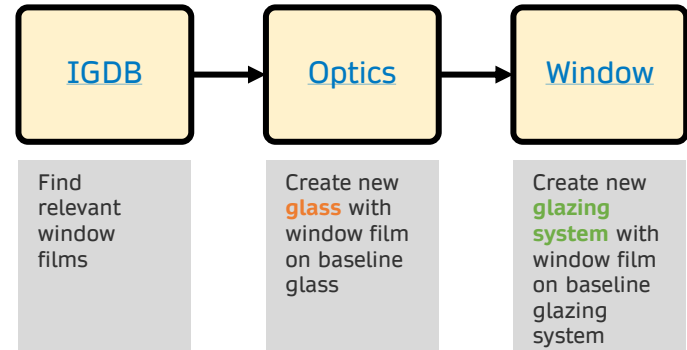
Window Films

Measure Concept

- Add window film to existing windows
- Film properties vary by climate and existing window
- Adds low-e coatings and/or reduced solar heat gain coefficient (SHGC) to existing window

Applicability

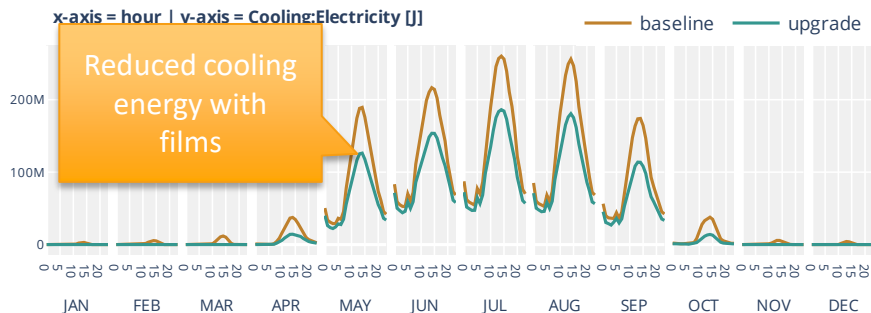
- Added to all non-triple pane windows in ComStock baseline
- Applicable to over **99%** of ComStock floor area



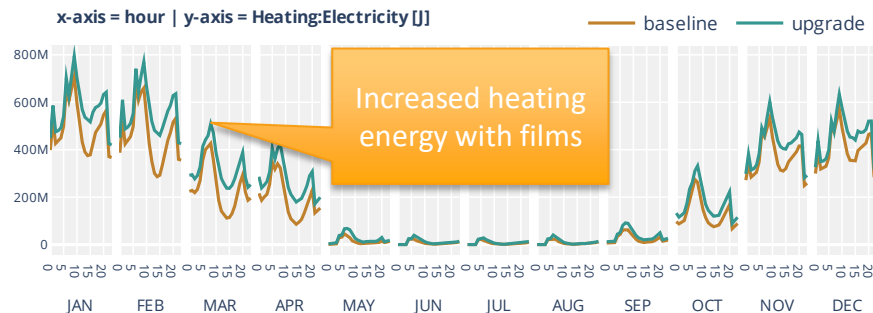
Window Films

There can be a seasonal trade-off

Electricity used for space cooling



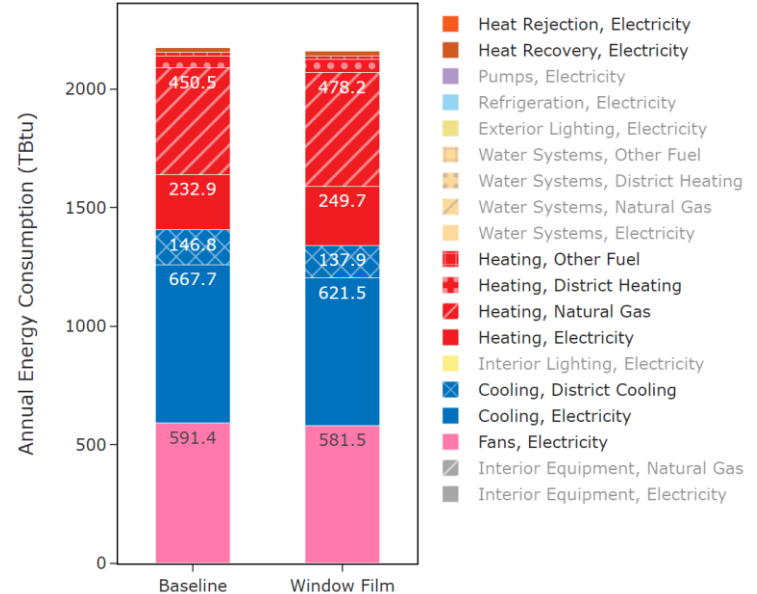
Electricity used for space heating



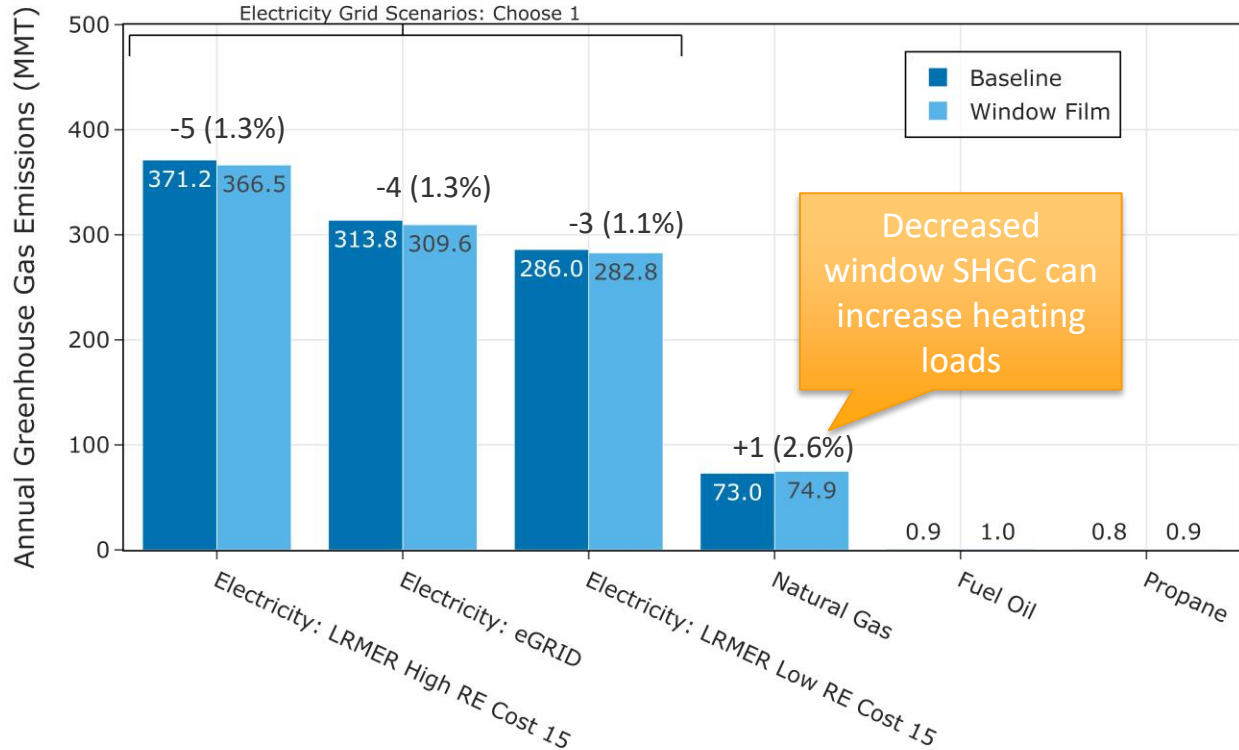
Window Films

- **7% stock cooling electricity savings** (46 Tbtu)
- **5% stock site district cooling savings** (8 Tbtu)
- **2% stock fan electricity savings** (10 Tbtu)
- **-7% stock heating (gas and electric) savings** (-45 TBtu)
- Variation in savings by building type, baseline window type, and climate zone

Stock Site Energy by Fuel and End Use



Window Films

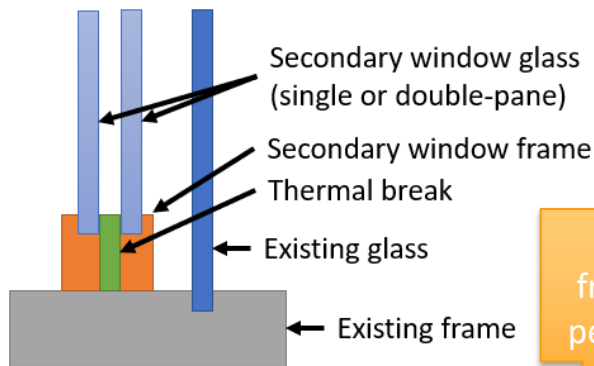


- Emissions avoided across all grid scenarios
- Heating increase from reduced SHGC causes slight increase in combustion fuel emissions

Secondary Windows

Secondary Windows

Measure Concept: Install a second window within the frame or reveal an existing window



Cross Section

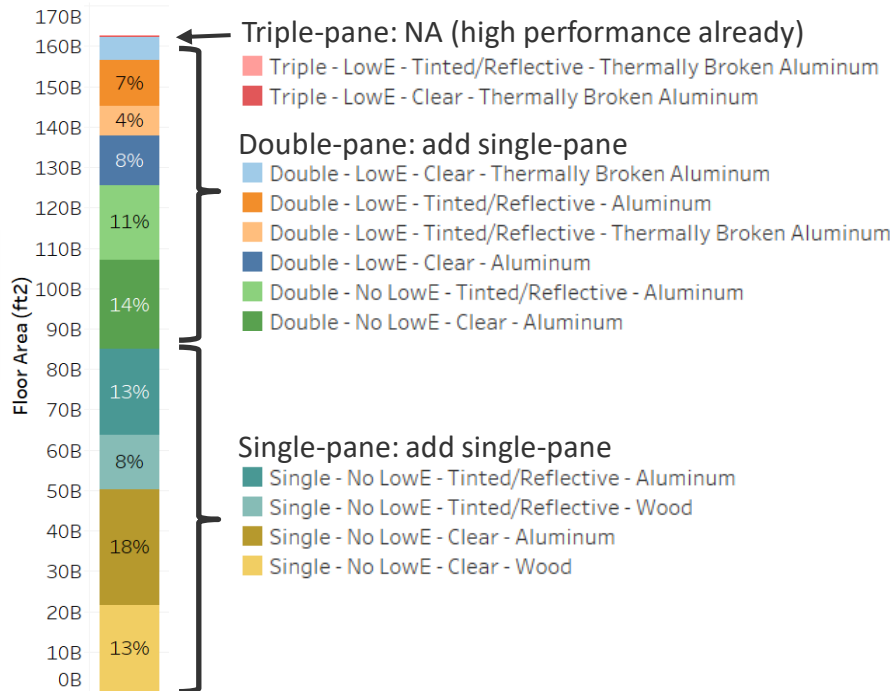
- Total performance ~R-1.6 to R-2.7
- Assumed frame-within-frame install
- Assumed no impact on infiltration

Existing frame limits performance

Some qualitative evidence against this assumption

Baseline Windows

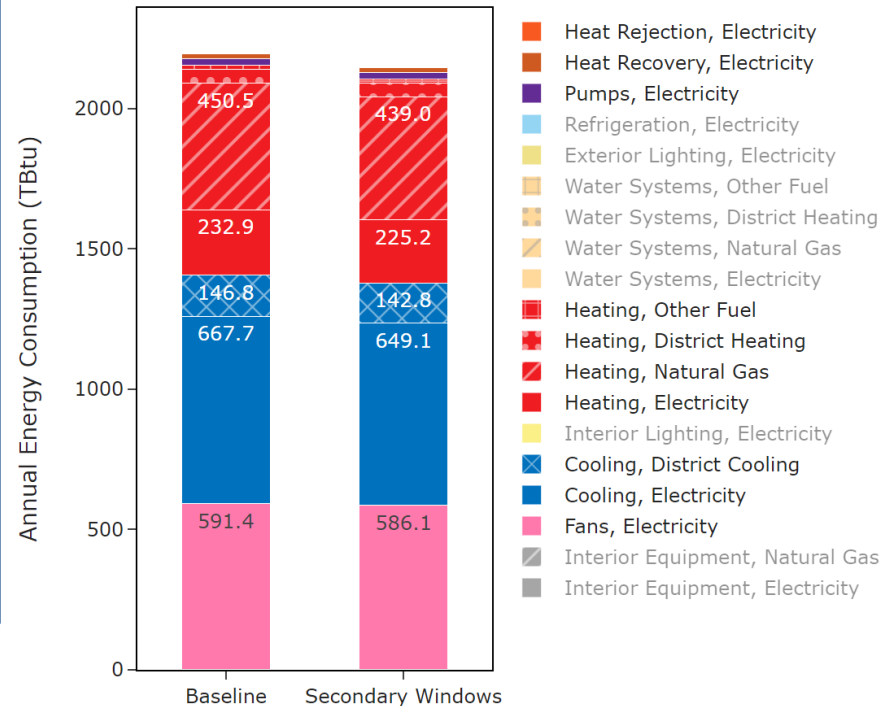
Applicability: Applies to most of existing stock



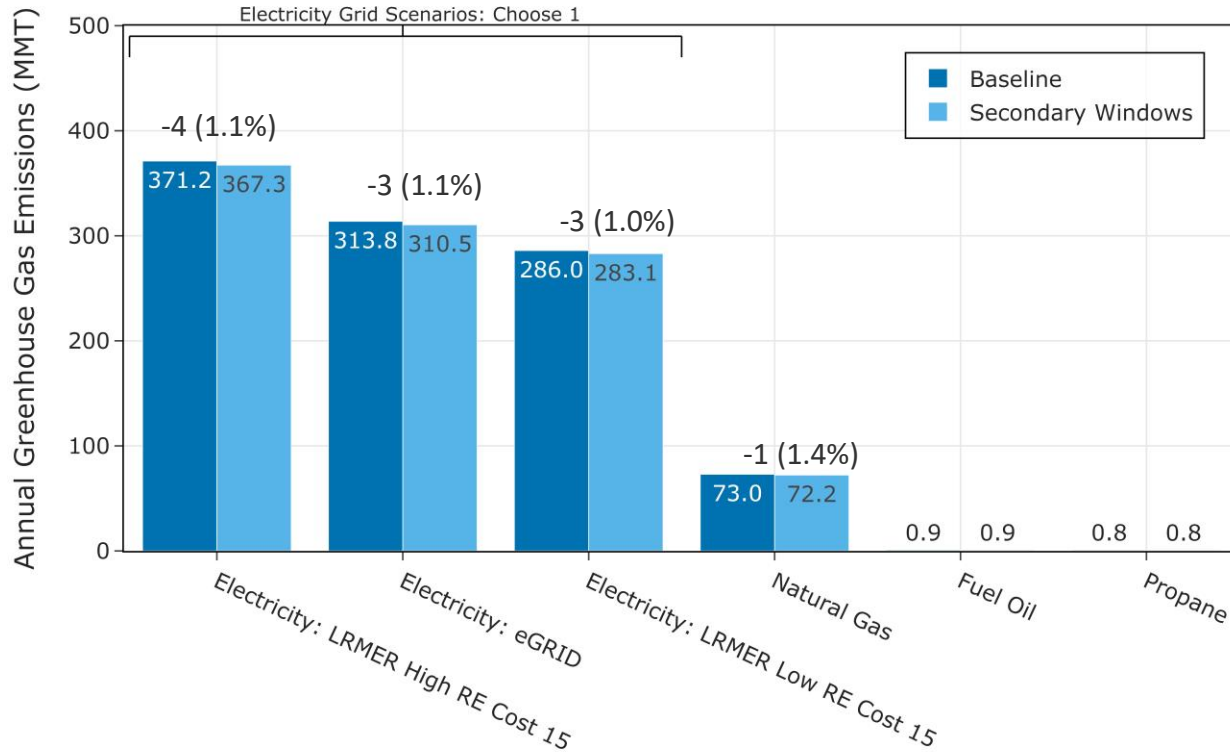
Secondary Windows

- **3%** stock site **heating electricity** savings (8 TBtu)
- **3%** stock site **heating gas** savings (12 TBtu)
- **3%** stock site **electricity cooling** energy savings (19 TBtu)
- **1%** stock site **electricity fan** energy (5 TBtu)
- Reduced loads from increased window insulation and decreased SHGC
- Complex relationship, savings per building vary by climate, building type, baseline window type, and other design factors

Stock Site Energy by Fuel and End Use



Secondary Windows



Emissions avoided across all grid scenarios and combustion fuels due to HVAC load reductions

Window Replacement

Window Replacement

Measure Concept

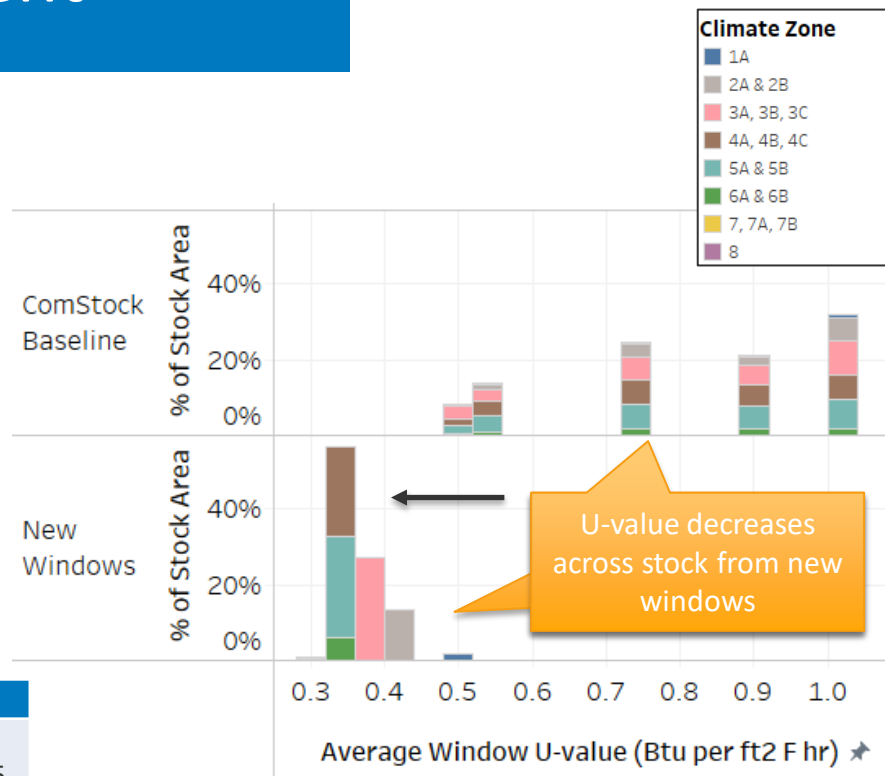
- Replace existing windows with those that align with *Advanced Energy Design Guide* (AEDG) properties

Measure Applicability

- Applies to all non-triple pane windows
- **>99%** of stock floor area

AEDG Target Values:

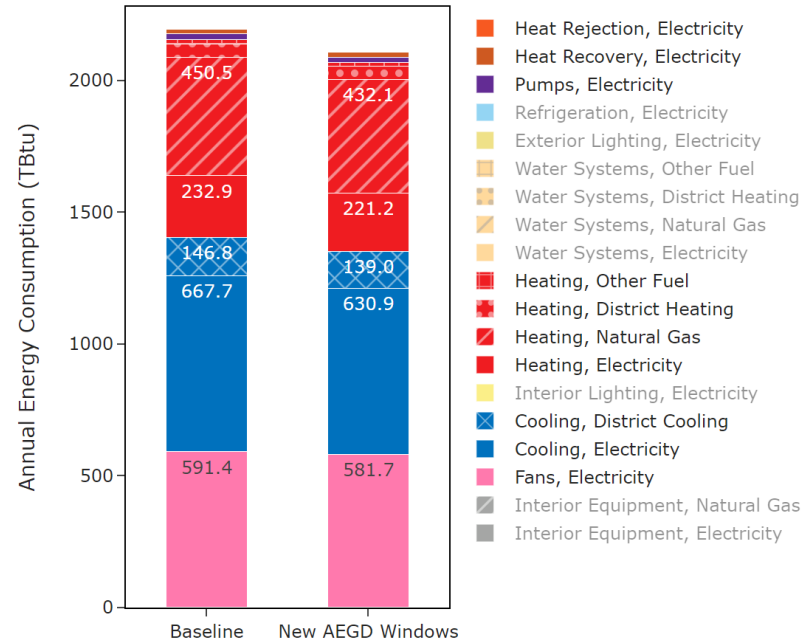
Climate Zone	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Maximum Assembly U-Factor	0.48	0.43	0.40	0.34	0.34	0.32	0.28	0.25
Maximum SHGC	0.22	0.22	0.24	0.34	0.36	0.36	0.38	0.38



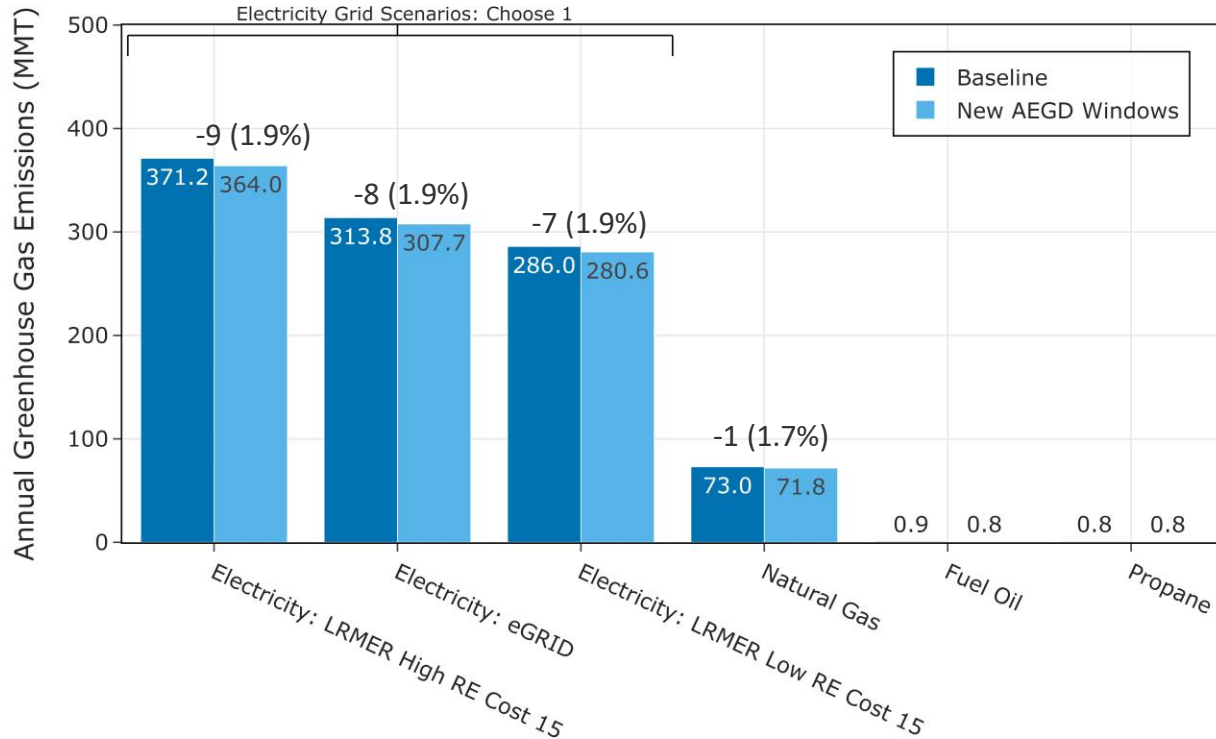
Window Replacement

- **5% stock heating electricity** energy savings (12 TBtu)
- **4% stock heating gas** energy savings (18 TBtu)
- **4% stock cooling electricity** savings (37 TBtu)
- Reduced loads from increased window insulation and reduced SHGC
- Increased cooling energy in some buildings

Stock Site Energy by Fuel and End Use



Window Replacement



Emissions avoided across all grid scenarios and combustion fuel sources due to HVAC load reductions

Roof Insulation

Roof Insulation

Measure Concept

- Increase roof insulation to align with AEDG R-values
- Rounded to nearest 1" of XPS (R-5/in.) insulation

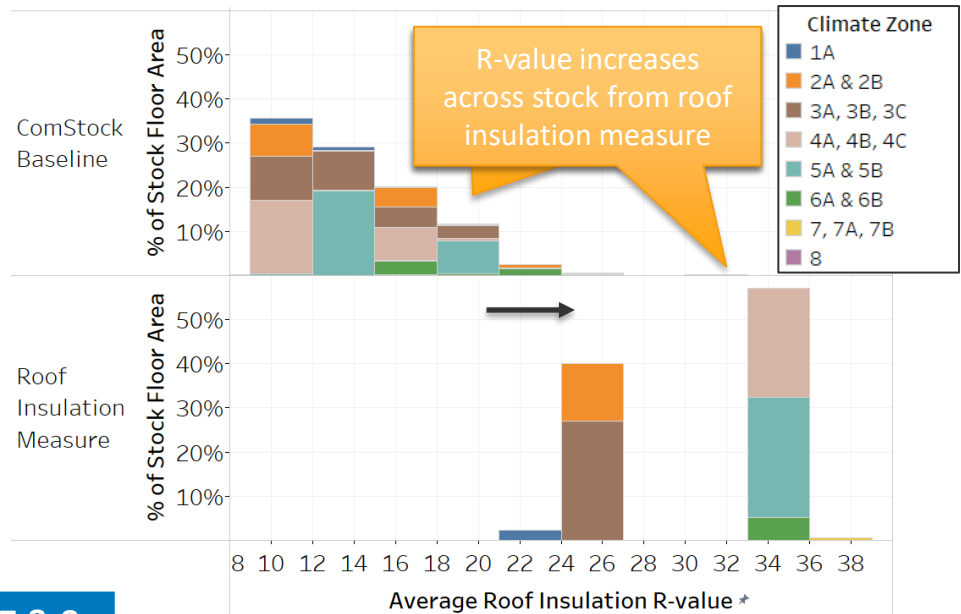
Applicability

- All buildings not already meeting R-value targets
- >99% of stock floor area

AEDG Target R-Values:

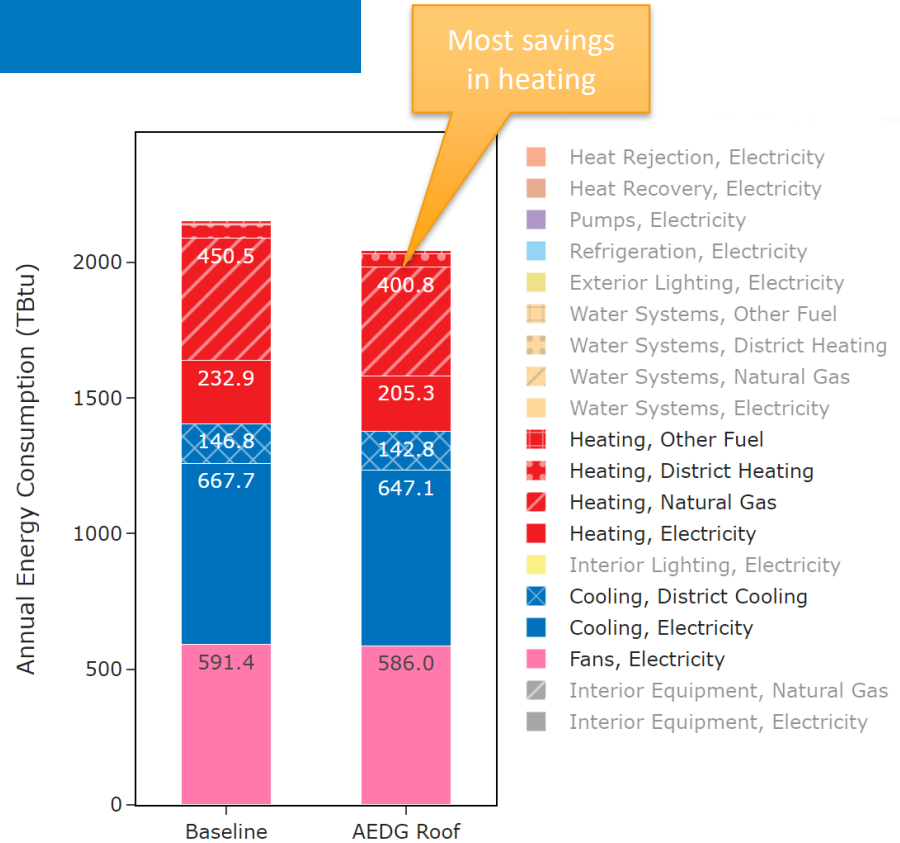
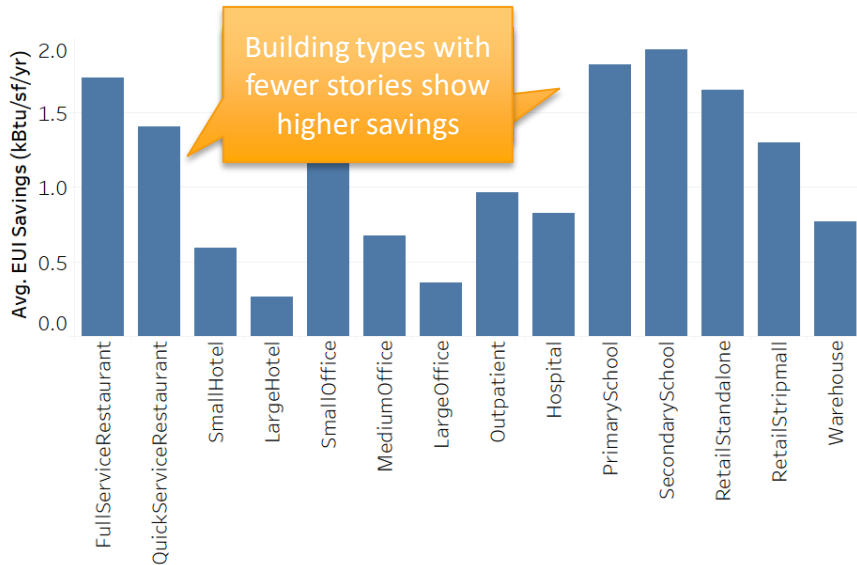
Climate Zone	1	2 & 3	4, 5, & 6	7 & 8
R-Value	21	26	33	37

Stock Roof R-Value Distribution Change

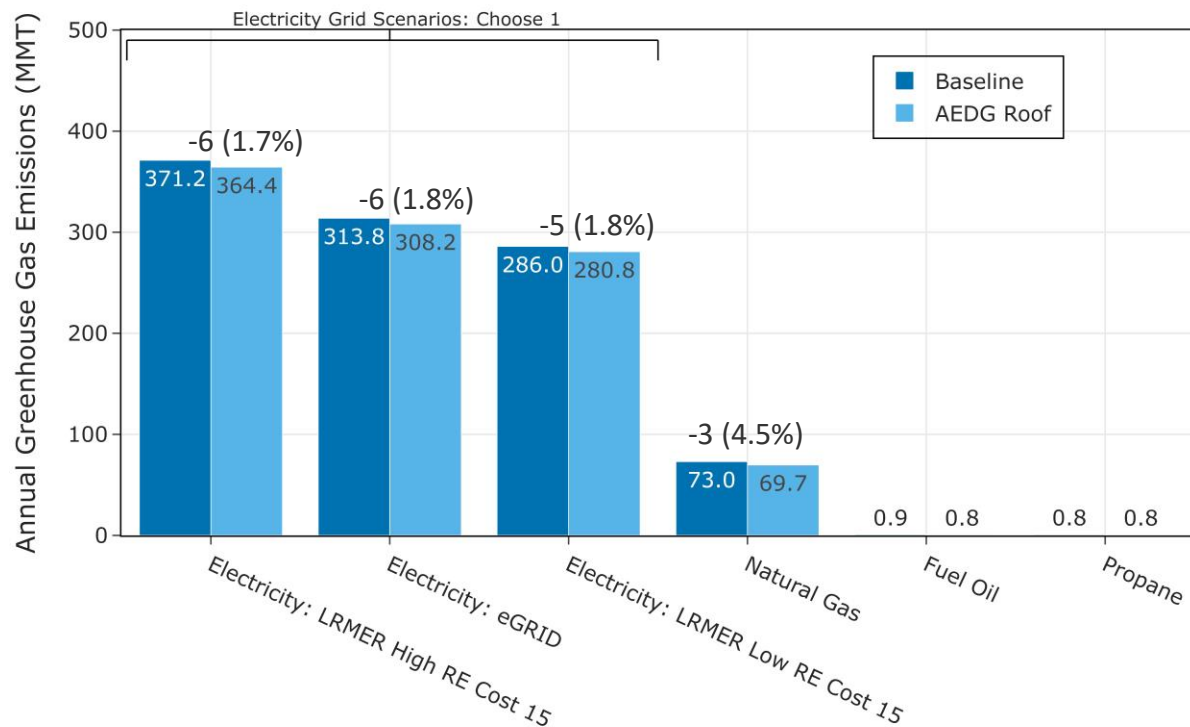


Roof Insulation

- **11%** stock site **heating** energy savings (82 TBtu)
- **3%** stock site **cooling** energy savings (25 TBtu)
- Reduced heating and cooling loads from increased roof insulation
- Variation in savings by building type, baseline R-value, and climate zone








Roof Insulation



Emissions avoided across all grid scenarios and combustion fuel sources due to HVAC load reductions

Accessing the Dataset

Accessing the Data

	 Metadata	 Individual Load Profiles	 Aggregate Load Profiles	 Data Viewer	 Full Database
Data Format	.csv and .parquet files	.csv and .parquet files	.csv and .parquet files	Dashboard with .csv exports	Amazon S3 bucket
Time scale	Annual	15-min intervals	15-min intervals	Customizable	Annual or 15-min intervals
Grouped by	Individual Building ID	Individual Building ID	Geographies: climate zone, ISO/RTO region, state	Customizable	Customizable
Fields by	Building Input Characteristics	-	-	-	Building Input Characteristics
	Energy Consumption	Energy Consumption	Energy Consumption	Energy Consumption	Energy Consumption
	Energy Savings	Energy Savings	Energy Savings	Energy Savings	Energy Savings
	Emissions	-	-	-	Emissions
	Calculated fields	-	-	-	Calculated fields
Accessed via	OpenEI Data Lake	OpenEI Data Lake	Open EI Data Lake	ComStock.nrel.gov	Scripting Languages

Field Naming Convention

Prefix or Name	Count	Description	Example
in.	64	Inputs of building characteristics and geospatial codes	in.window_type
out.	352	Simulation outputs	out.electricity.refrigeration.energy_consumption
calc.	159	Calculated values such as totals and % savings	calc.weighted.electricity.cooling.energy_consumption..tbtu
weight	1	Value for scaling single model results to national scale	4.8960474
bldg_id	1	Unique id of the building model	3324
upgrade	1	Unique id number for upgrade	5
model_count	1	Number of models aggregated (timeseries files)	5334
applicability	12	Upgrade names	FALSE
Second Level			
out.[fuel type]	6	Fuel type - electricity, natural gas, etc.	out.natural_gas.water_systems.energy_consumption
out.emissions	20	Emission values	out.emissions.electricity.egrid..co2e_kg
out.params	197	Model parameters and summary statistics	out.params.dx_cooling_average_cop..cop
out.qoi	15	Quantities of interest such as peak demand	out.qoi.maximum_daily_use_summer_kw..kw
out.site_energy	4	total of all end uses, site energy	out.site_energy.total.energy_consumption
Third Level			
out.[fuel type]. [end use]	136	End uses – heating, cooling, lighting, water systems, etc.	out.electricity.heating.energy_consumption
Units			
..foo	-	".." denotes the start of the unit name	..kWh_per_ft2

Data dictionary available at [OpenEI Data Lake](#)

Example Metadata File

Building ID

County

Building Type

Building Area
(unweighted)

Annual Electricity Peak
kW (unweighted)

Annual Natural
Gas Consumption
(unweighted)

	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AP	AQ	AR		
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4	457	Double - LowE - CI	NA	G0100830	Hospital	90	2	150000	VAV air-cooled	SteelFramed	8.75	8	14.75	7.75	1112.82938	0	966591.667	312955.5556
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Example Time Series File

Building ID

Timestamp

Exterior Lighting
Consumption (kWh)

Interior Lighting
Consumption (kWh)

Gas Heating
Consumption (kWh)

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Summary of Dataset Links

ComStock

Highly granular modeling of the U.S. commercial building stock

Commercial stock characteristics database + Physics-based computer modeling + High-performance computing

The ComStock and ResStock analysis tools are helping states, municipalities, utilities, and manufacturers identify which building stock improvements save the most energy and money. ComStock is a U.S. Department of Energy model of the commercial building stock, developed and maintained by NREL. [Learn more.](#)

[Data Viewer](#)
Explore existing analysis results on ComStock's interactive website. State-level results can be filtered to identify the savings potential in various segments of the commercial building stock, whether that is buildings of a certain vintage, specific heating fuel type or in a specific state and climate zone.

[Available Datasets ->](#)

[ComStock Documentation](#)
Learn about how and why ComStock represents the U.S. commercial building stock including how ComStock works, how to use ComStock, some behind the scenes details, and recommendations from the ComStock team on if and when ComStock is the right tool for your use case on the external documentation website.

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Published Datasets

ComStock dataset releases are summarized in the following table with links for accessing the aggregate results.

Publication Date	Oct-21	Oct-21
Release #	1	1
Building Stock Represented	U.S. commercial sector circa 2018	U.S. commercial sector circa 2018
Upgrades Applied	None	None
Weather Year	amy2018	tmy3
Data Viewer Links Annual and Timeseries Energy	by_state, by_puma_northeast, by_puma_midwest, by_puma_south, by_puma_west	by_state, by_puma_northeast, by_puma_midwest, by_puma_south, by_puma_west
Data Table with Characteristics and Annual Energy Use	metadata	metadata
OEDI Data and Dictionaries	suppl_data_dict	suppl_data_dict

Access at: [ComStock.nrel.gov](https://comstock.nrel.gov) and [ComStock Documentation Site](#)

OEDI Folder Structure

 AWS S3 Explorer for the Open Energy Data Initiative [oedi-data-lake](#) / [nrel-pds-building-stock](#) / [end-use-load-profiles-for-us-building-stock](#) / [2021](#) / [comstock_amy2018_release_1](#)

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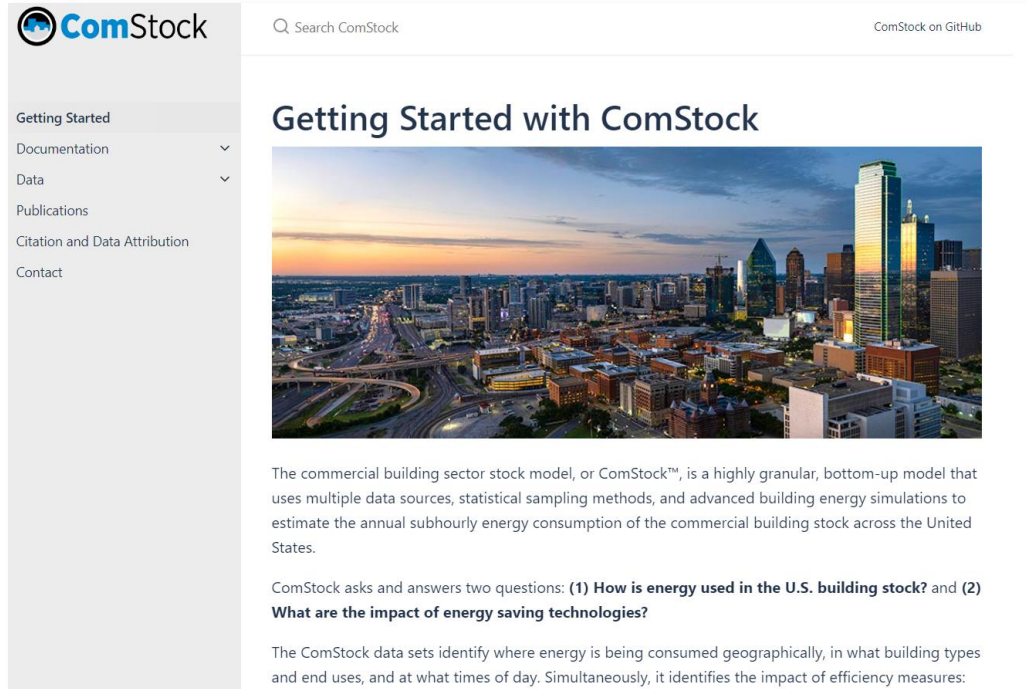
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Folder structure: year/comstock_weather file_release_#[/metadata, timeseries - aggregate, indiv, etc]

Access at: [Open EI Data Lake](#)

ComStock Documentation Website




The screenshot shows the ComStock website interface. On the left is a navigation menu with the ComStock logo and links for Getting Started, Documentation, Data, Publications, Citation and Data Attribution, and Contact. The main content area features a search bar, a link to 'ComStock on GitHub', and a 'Getting Started with ComStock' section. This section includes a cityscape image at sunset, a paragraph describing the ComStock model, two key questions, and a paragraph about the data sets.

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Getting Started with ComStock



The commercial building sector stock model, or ComStock™, is a highly granular, bottom-up model that uses multiple data sources, statistical sampling methods, and advanced building energy simulations to estimate the annual subhourly energy consumption of the commercial building stock across the United States.

ComStock asks and answers two questions: **(1) How is energy used in the U.S. building stock?** and **(2) What are the impact of energy saving technologies?**

The ComStock data sets identify where energy is being consumed geographically, in what building types and end uses, and at what times of day. Simultaneously, it identifies the impact of efficiency measures:

Access at: <https://nrel.github.io/ComStock.github.io/>

Where to find it...

ComStock Documentation Website

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Getting Started • Publications • Technical Documentation

AWS OEDI Repository

<https://data.openei.org/submissions/4520>

Metadata & annual results • Aggregate load profile results • Individual model results & input files including weather
Data dictionary and enumeration dictionary • Geospatial information

Web Data Viewer

<https://comstock.nrel.gov>

Graphical in-browser data visualizations • Custom aggregation tool

Requires free account

A Few Reminders

- All time stamps time-period-ending and are in EST.
- Annual metadata files provide weighting factors for national scaling. Columns with “weighted” in the title already have this factor applied.
- Check your sample sizes on custom aggregations – too few samples can increase uncertainty.
- All “out.” columns without units denoted are in kWh.
(This driven by current limitations with the data viewer.)

Next Steps

Commercial EUSS Round 2

Proposed List For Commercial EUSS 2023 Release 2; Expected September 2023

Measure Name	Description
Demand Control Ventilation (DCV)	Add demand control ventilation to air handling units.
DOAS with VRF retrofit	Replaces VAV systems with DOAS/VRF system.
Airside Economizers	Add economizers controls to air handling units (non-DOAS) that do not already have them.
Heat/Energy Recovery	Add heat or energy recovery to air handling units where not already included.
HP-RTU with Gas Backup	Apply gas backup to HP-RTUs to understand carbon, energy, and peak demand trade-offs of the backup heating fuel source.
HP Boiler with Gas Backup	Apply gas backup to HP-boilers to understand carbon, energy, and peak demand tradeoffs of the backup heating fuel source.
Package 1: High Efficiency Envelope	Apply package with upgraded wall insulation, roof insulation, and windows to align with target values per climate zone.
Package 2: Lighting + HP-RTU + HP-Boiler	Apply package with LED lighting, HP-RTU, and HP-boiler.
Package 3: High Efficiency Case (7+8)	Combine packages 1 and 2

A satellite view of Earth at night, showing the curvature of the planet and the glowing lights of cities and infrastructure. The sun is visible on the left horizon, creating a bright glow and lens flare. The background is a dark, starry space.

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