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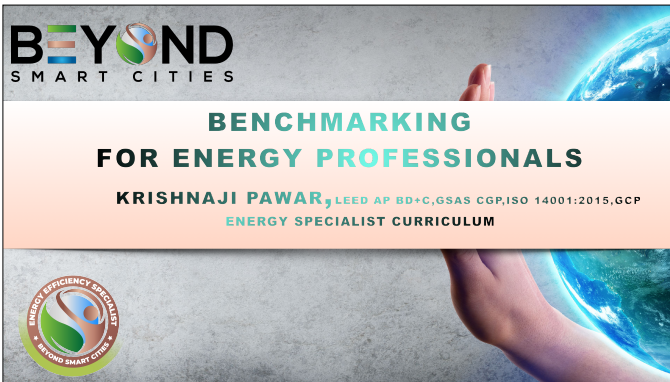
BENCHMARKING
FOR ENERGY PROFESSIONALS

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WHAT SHOULD YOU LEARN



Energy Benchmarking for
Buildings

Benchmarking Audit

Benchmarking Tools



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BENCHMARKING

- ✓ A benchmark is a value you compare something against.
- ✓ Building energy benchmarking is the comparison of whole-building energy use relative to a set of similar buildings.
- ✓ It provides a useful starting point for individual energy audits & for targeting buildings for energy-saving measures in multiple-site audits.
- ✓ Benchmarking is of interest and practical use to a number of groups.
 - Energy service companies and performance contractors communicate energy savings potential with "typical" and "best-practice" benchmarks.

ENERGY BENCHMARKING +

- ✓ Control companies and utilities can provide direct tracking of energy use and combine data from multiple buildings for benchmarking.
- ✓ Benchmarking is also useful in the design stage of a new building or retrofit to determine if a design is relatively efficient.
- ✓ Energy managers & building owners have an ongoing interest in comparing energy performance to others.
- ✓ Large corporations, schools, & government agencies with numerous facilities also use benchmarking methods to compare their buildings to each other.

BENCHMARKING AUDIT

- ✓ Audits are associated with the idea that after the energy bill data is collected and processed, some facility information will be collected on a walk-through, and the data will be run through some benchmark to determine if there is a potential for significant improvement in energy efficiency and reduction in energy operating cost.
- ✓ Examples of existing benchmarking programs are: Gigajoule and Energy Intensity Calculator from Natural Resources Canada. And for US IP units - EPA's Portfolio Manager, LEED-EB, California Energy Benchmarking, Chevron BM, ARCH, etc. SI data is easily approximated for these program inputs.

BENCHMARKING CRITERIA

- ☑ Energy Use Index - MJ/m²/year
 - ⇒ Total, Electric, Gas, Oil
- ☑ Energy Cost Index - \$/m²/year
 - ⇒ Total, Electric, Gas, Oil
- ☑ Productivity Index
 - ⇒ kJ/kg, kJ/person, kJ/student, kJ/tonne, kJ/item
 - ⇒ kWh/kg, kWh/person/ kWh/tonne, kWh/item
 - ⇒ L H₂O/kg, or /student, or /item (also sewer)
- ☑ System performances
 - ⇒ kW_e/kW cooling, LPS/kW air, kWh/L pumping



TYPES OF BENCHMARKS

- ☑ Internal - An internal benchmark is based on the performance of your own building or facility.

For example, the EUI of your own building over the past year.

- ☑ External - An external benchmark is based on some large group of similar buildings or facilities.

For example, the EUI of a group of similar buildings or facilities from EIA/CBECS, EPA, BOMA, CA, etc



BENCHMARKING COMPARISON OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND WATER USE

Figure 6 Benchmarking Comparison of Energy Efficiency and Water Usage

Building	Conditioned Sq. ft.	Electric BTU/Sq.Ft./Yr	Nat Gas BTU/Sq.Ft./Yr	Total BTU/Sq.Ft./Yr	Wtr/Sewer Gall/Sq.ft.Yr	Electric \$/KWH	Nat Gas \$/MCF	Wtr/Sewer \$/K Gallon
1	4,411,494	83,866	13,389	97,255	10.7	\$0.0446	\$7.042	\$4.75
2	602,181	91,948	4,404	96,353	4.1	\$0.0486	\$7.597	\$5.90
3	214,156	83,060	649	83,709	40.6	\$0.0492	\$8.593	\$3.70
4	291,092	70,044	13,952	83,996	91.8	\$0.0876	\$8.542	\$0.83
5	427,000	75,409	25,638	101,047	17.2	\$0.0547	\$4.392	\$2.14
6	523,558	66,647	8,433	75,080	24.0	\$0.0835	\$11.180	\$4.66
7	366,183	95,875	14,799	110,674	41.2	\$0.0505	\$9.395	\$6.41



BENCHMARKING TOOLS

Several benchmarking tools have emerged on the market in recent years. Some were developed as a service to utility and ESCO customers or as a component of an enterprise tools providing a broader range of functions.

There are also a number of online tools, many of which are free.

A list of online benchmarking tools and information relevant to benchmarking commercial building energy use (in Btu/square foot/year) can currently be found at:



BENCHMARKING TOOLS +

<https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/benchmark>

As a close approximation, conversion between IP and SI gives $\text{MJ/m}^2/\text{year} = (\text{Btu/ft}^2/\text{year})/100$
Using 1 kJ is about 1 Btu and 1 m² is about 10 ft²
The benchmarking programs easily found online can be categorized into four different types of benchmarking services: simple benchmarking, load shape libraries, utility services, and enterprise tools.



ARCH TEXT RESULTS FOR EXAMPLE BUILDING

- ☒ The green arrow indicates your building's energy use. This graph is of site energy.
- ☒ You entered a Floor Area of 100,000 square feet, so buildings with areas between 50,000 and 200,000 are used. The number of buildings on this graph is 45.
- ☒ Your building consumes 14,000,000 kBtu/year of energy, which is 140 kBtu/ft²year.

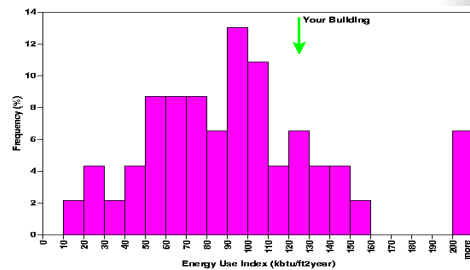


CONVERSIONS TO SI UNITS



- ✓ 100,000 square feet is approximately 10,000 square metres
- ✓ So, multiply square metres by 10 and enter as square feet
- ✓ The program output says the Energy Use Index for the building is 125,000 Btu/ft²/year
- ✓ One Btu is approximately 1 kJ One MJ is 1000 kJ
- ✓ So, divide this EUI by 100 to get 1250 MJ/m²/yr

EUI BENCHMARK FROM ARCH



GIGA JOULE AND ENERGY INTENSITY CALCULATOR – NATURAL RESOURCES CANADA



- ✓ Electricity * kWh × 0.0036 = 7200 GJ
- ✓ Oil #2 (light) litres × 0.038680 GJ
- ✓ Natural Gas m³ × 0.03720 GJ
- ✓ Natural Gas GJ × 1 = 6800 GJ
- ✓ Steam kg × 0.002250 GJ
- ✓ Total = 14000 GJ
- ✓ Area in square metres m² = 10000 m²
- ✓ Energy Intensity = 1.4 GJ/m²

ENERGY MONITORING, TARGETING AND REPORTING



MT&R is a powerful management technique for

- ✓ Analyzing the historical energy performance of industrial, commercial, and institutional facilities
- ✓ Setting energy reduction targets
- ✓ Controlling current energy performance and,
- ✓ Projecting future energy budgets.

The working definitions that commonly apply are the following:
Energy Monitoring is the regular collection and analysis of information on energy use.





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