

Masonry Walls and Energy Codes - Effective Compliance Methods Session 2

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Introduction

- The prescriptive energy code requirements for building envelopes have increased significantly over the past several years.
- Compliance with these code provisions is becoming increasingly more difficult, and new solutions are necessary.
- This presentation will provide an overview of energy code provisions, review of energy analysis on various building prototypes.

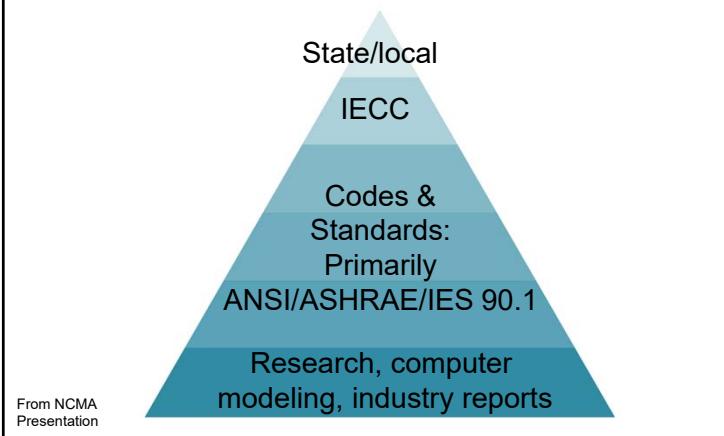
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Introduction

- Look at thermal bridging, U and R values, and payback costs analysis for energy improvements using whole building analysis
- Throughout discuss resources available for designers, such as ACI/TMS 122.

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Energy Code Hierarchy

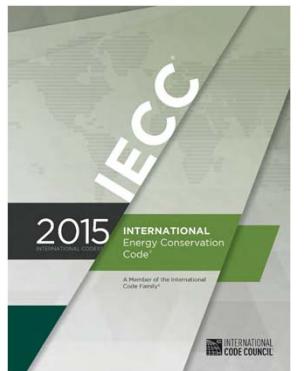


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International Energy Conservation Code

Energy codes continue to become more stringent...

- 2012 is about 15% more efficient than 2009
- 2015 is about 11% more efficient
- References ASHREA 90.1



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ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1



ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2013
(Supersedes ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2010)
Includes ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2010, Appendix F

Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings (I-P Edition)

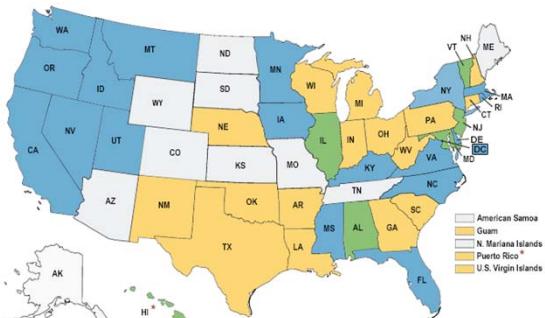
See Appendix F for approved due to the ASHRAE Standards Committee, the NCMA Board of Directors, the IES Board of Directors, and the American National Standards Institute.
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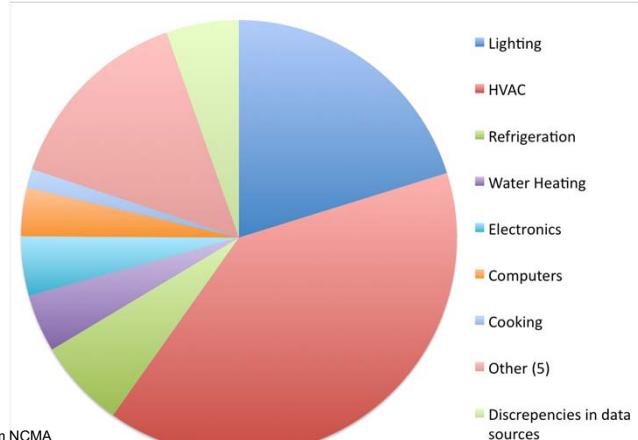
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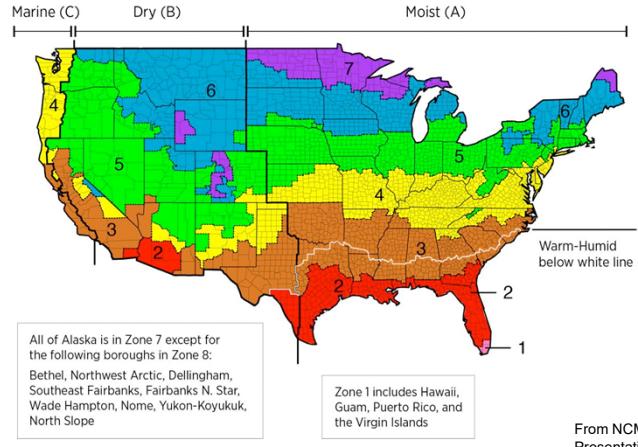
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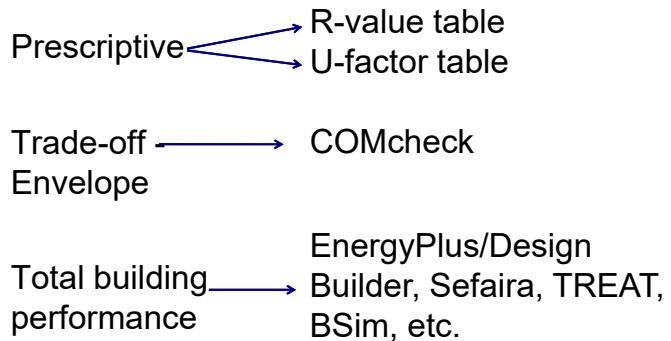
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Climate Zones



Compliance Options - IECC

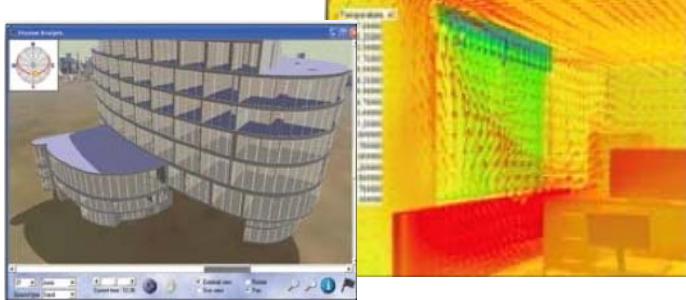


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Total Building Performance

Tools include: EnergyPlus/DesignBuilder, Sefaira, TREAT, BSim



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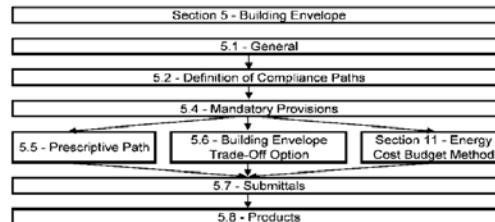
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Energy Code Design ASHREA 90.1

STD. generally allows 3 methods to be used for design of the various energy related building systems (IECC – references -ASHRAE 90.1) **Similar in other Systems**

5. BUILDING ENVELOPE



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Energy Code Design

Prescriptive requirements – Envelope – Varies with Climate Zone

TABLE 5.5-4 Building Envelope Requirements for Climate Zone 4 (A, B, C)*						
Opaque Element	Nonresidential		Residential		Semihot	
	Assembly Maximum	Insulation Min. R-Value	Assembly Maximum	Insulation Min. R-Value	Assembly Maximum	Insulation Min. R-Value
Roof						
Insulation Entirely above Deck	U-0.048	R-20.0 c.i.	U-0.048	R-20.0 c.i.	U-0.173	R-5.0 c.i.
Metal Building [†]	U-0.055	R-11.0 + R-11.0	U-0.055	R-11.0 + R-11.0	U-0.087	R-10.0
Steel and Other	U-0.027	R-18.0	U-0.027	R-18.0	U-0.053	R-10.0
Walls, Above-Grade						
Metal	U-0.104	R-9.5 c.i.	U-0.090	R-11.4 c.i.	U-0.580	NR
Metal Building	U-0.084	R-19.0	U-0.084	R-19.0	U-0.113	R-13.0
Steel-Framed	U-0.064	R-11.0 + R-7.5 c.i.	U-0.064	R-13.0 + R-7.5 c.i.	U-0.124	R-13.0
Wood-Framed and Other	U-0.089	R-13.0	U-0.084	R-13.0 + R-3.8 c.i.	U-0.080	R-13.0
Walls, Below-Grade						
Floors						
Mass	U-0.104		R-9.5 c.i.			
Steel-Joint						
Wood-Framed [‡]						
Slab-On-Grade Floors						
Unheated	F-0.730	NR	F-0.540	R-10 for 24 in.	F-0.730	NR
Heated	F-0.860	R-15 for 24 in.	F-0.860	R-15 for 24 in.	F-1.020	R-7.5 for 12 in.
Opaque Doors						
Swinging	U-0.700	U-0.700	U-0.700	U-1.410	U-1.410	
Nonswinging	U-0.590	U-0.590	U-0.590	U-1.20	U-1.20	
Penetration						
Assembly Max. U	Assembly Max. SHGC	Assembly Max. U	Assembly Max. SHGC	Assembly Max. U	Assembly Max. SHGC	
Vertical Glazing, $U=0.10^2$ of $R=1.0$						
Vertical Glazing, $U=0.10^2$	U-0.40	U-0.40	U-1.20			
Metal framing (exterior)	U-0.50	SHGC-0.40 all	U-0.50	SHGC-0.40 all	U-1.20	SHGC-NR all
Metal framing (entrance door) [‡]	U-0.85	U-0.85	U-1.20			
Metal framing (all other) [‡]	U-0.55	U-0.55	U-1.20			

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Terminology

R-value: describes how well a material insulates under steady state temperature conditions; $R = 1/U$

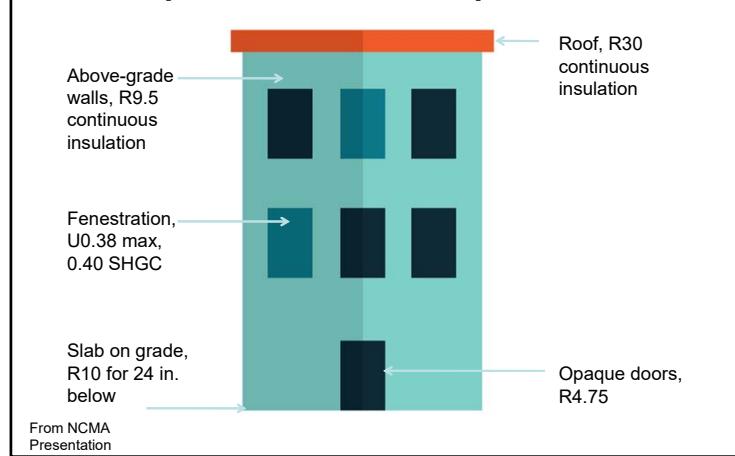
U-factor: describes how well a material conducts heat under steady state temperature conditions; $U = 1/R$

Heat capacity (HC): describes how well a material stores and releases heat under transient temperature conditions (thermal mass)

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Prescriptive Compliance Example Zone 4 – Envelope – R values

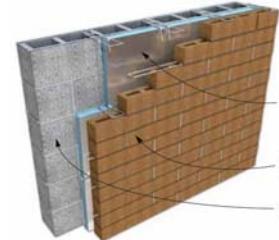


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Prescriptive R-Value Compliance

Masonry cavity wall:

- cavity width can be varied to accommodate insulation
- R-values largely independent of grout schedule
- exposed masonry provides maximum durability



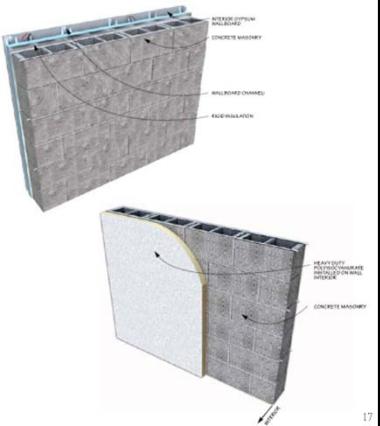
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Prescriptive R-Value Compliance

Continuous interior insulation:

- R-values independent of grout schedule
- allows exterior exposed masonry
- furring space can be used for wiring and utilities



Prescriptive R-Value Compliance

Internal insulation



CLIMATE ZONE	1		2		3	
	All other	Group R	All other	Group R	All other	Group R
Insulation entirely above roof deck	R-20ci	R-25ci	R-25ci	R-25ci	R-25ci	R-25ci
Metal buildings ^b	R-19 + R-11 LS	R-19 + R-11 LS	R-19 + R-11 LS	R-19 + R-11 LS	R-19 + R-11 LS	R-19 + R-11 LS
Attic and other	R-38	R-38	R-38	R-38	R-38	R-38
Mass	R-5.7ci ^c	R-5.7ci ^c	R-5.7ci ^c	R-7.6ci	R-7.6ci	R-9.5ci
Metal building	R-13 + R-6.5ci	R-13 + R-6.5ci	R-13 + R-6.5ci	R-13 + R-6.5ci	R-13 + R-6.5ci	R-13 + R-6.5ci
Metal framed	R-13 + R-5ci	R-13 + R-5ci	R-13 + R-5ci	R-13 + R-7.5ci	R-13 + R-7.5ci	R-13 + R-7.5ci

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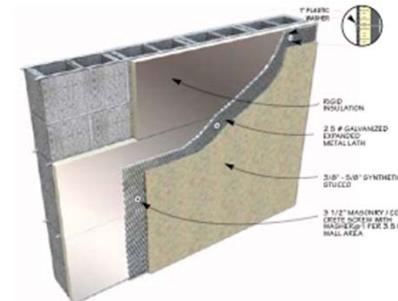
^c R-5.7ci is allowed to be substituted with concrete block walls complying with ASTM C90, ungrouted or partially grouted at 32 inches or less on center vertically and 48 inches or less on center horizontally, with ungrouted cores filled with materials having a maximum thermal conductivity of 0.44 Btu-in/h·f² °F.

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Prescriptive R-Value Compliance

Continuous exterior insulation:

- R-values independent of grout schedule
- allows interior exposed masonry, maximizing thermal mass benefits



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WHAT IF MY BUILDING DOESN'T MEET PRESCRIPTIVE INSULATION R-VALUES?

Prescriptive U-Factor Compliance

Note this is assembly U



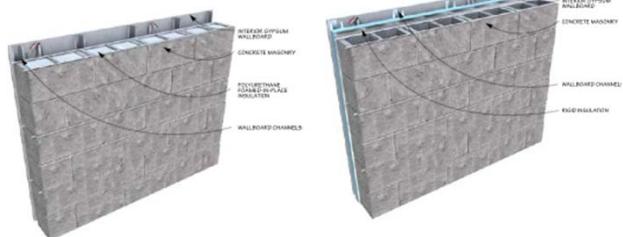
ASHRAE Provisions

IECC – Has a Separate U value table – Assembly U

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Prescriptive U-Factor Compliance

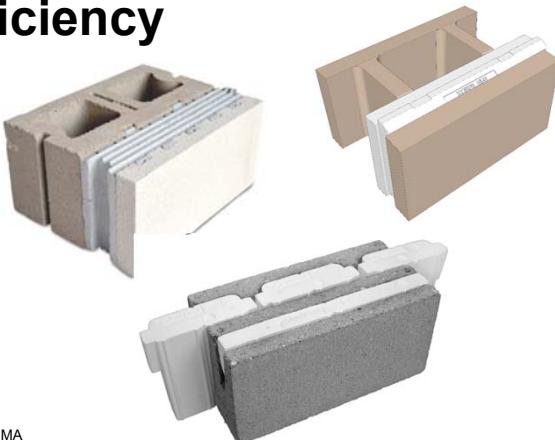
Makes sense any time the preferred wall meets the prescriptive U-factor requirement.



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CMU Products for Energy Efficiency



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Where Do I Find Masonry U-Factors?

Where Do I Find Masonry U-Factors? NCMA WEB SITE CHANGING – No Spread sheet



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Where Do I Find Masonry U-Factors?

**SINGLE WYTHE CONCRETE MASONRY ASSEMBLIES
CELL INSULATION**

Assembly 1-2: Polyurethane foamed-in-place insulation in ungrouted cells, exposed exterior masonry, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. gypsum wallboard on furring on interior

Concrete Masonry Assembly R-Values (hr-ft²·°F/Btu) and U-Factors (Btu/hr-ft²·°F)

Density of CMU, PCF	6-in. Concrete Masonry			8-in. Concrete Masonry				
	Ungrouted	Lightly Reinforced	Heavily Reinforced	Fully Grouted	Ungrouted	Lightly Reinforced	Heavily Reinforced	Fully Grouted
85	7.48 (0.134)	5.55 (0.180)	4.39 (0.228)	2.90 (0.345)	9.68 (0.103)	6.73 (0.148)	5.11 (0.196)	3.21 (0.312)
95	6.64 (0.151)	5.11 (0.196)	4.13 (0.242)	2.81 (0.356)	8.50 (0.118)	6.17 (0.162)	4.80 (0.208)	3.10 (0.323)
105	5.99 (0.169)	4.71 (0.212)	3.90 (0.257)	2.73 (0.366)	7.48 (0.134)	5.65 (0.177)	4.50 (0.222)	3.0 (0.334)
115	5.27 (0.190)	4.32 (0.230)	3.68 (0.272)	2.66 (0.375)	6.59 (0.152)	5.18 (0.190)	4.23 (0.236)	2.91 (0.344)
125	4.73 (0.212)	4.02 (0.249)	3.48 (0.287)	2.60 (0.384)	5.83 (0.172)	4.75 (0.210)	3.98 (0.251)	2.83 (0.354)
135	4.26 (0.235)	3.73 (0.268)	3.30 (0.303)	2.55 (0.393)	5.18 (0.193)	4.37 (0.229)	3.75 (0.267)	2.76 (0.363)

Density of CMU, PCF	10-in. Concrete Masonry			12-in. Concrete Masonry				
	Ungrouted	Lightly Reinforced	Heavily Reinforced	Fully Grouted	Ungrouted	Lightly Reinforced	Heavily Reinforced	Fully Grouted
85	11.57 (0.086)	7.70 (0.130)	5.70 (0.176)	3.45 (0.200)	14.09 (0.073)	8.81 (0.113)	6.32 (0.158)	3.68 (0.271)
95	10.08 (0.099)	7.04 (0.142)	5.34 (0.187)	3.33 (0.300)	12.20 (0.082)	8.05 (0.124)	5.93 (0.168)	3.56 (0.281)
105	8.79 (0.114)	6.42 (0.156)	5.01 (0.200)	3.23 (0.310)	10.57 (0.095)	7.38 (0.138)	5.57 (0.179)	3.45 (0.289)
115	7.67 (0.130)	5.86 (0.171)	4.70 (0.213)	3.13 (0.319)	9.37 (0.109)	6.71 (0.149)	5.23 (0.191)	3.35 (0.298)
125	6.72 (0.149)	5.32 (0.187)	4.41 (0.227)	3.05 (0.328)	7.97 (0.125)	6.11 (0.164)	4.90 (0.204)	3.26 (0.307)
135	5.92 (0.169)	4.90 (0.204)	4.14 (0.242)	2.96 (0.337)	6.96 (0.144)	5.57 (0.180)	4.59 (0.218)	3.17 (0.315)

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Where Do I Find Masonry U-Factors?

**SECTION TWO
2-WEB CMU ASSEMBLIES**

Assembly 2-4: Polyurethane foamed-in-place insulation in ungrouted cells, exposed masonry (interior and exterior)



**SECTION TWO
2-WEB CMU ASSEMBLIES**

Masonry exposed on both the interior and exterior provides maximum durability.

Values in table assume no insulation in grouted cells. Note that some rigid inserts are configured to accommodate insulation, reinforcing steel and grout in the same cell, which can improve R-value.

Other masonry cell insulations include molded polyethylene inserts, other types of framed-in-place insulations and expanded perlite or vermiculite granular fills. These insulations will have different thermal properties than polyurethane which will affect the resulting R-value.

Cell insulation, in contrast to additional insulation on either side of the wall, allows some of the thermal mass (masonry) to be in direct contact with the indoor air, providing excellent thermal mass benefits.

Insulation should occupy all ungrouted cells.

"Lightly reinforced" = grout 8 ft o.c. both vertically and horizontally (or vertical reinforcement only at 48 in. o.c.).

"Heavily reinforced" = grout 32 in. o.c. vertically and 48 in. o.c. horizontally (or vertical reinforcement only at 24 in. o.c.).

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Where Do I Find Masonry U-Factors?

Use to have a Spread sheet that allowed Parallel and series analysis

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Sustainable Concrete Products for Structures and Landscapes

NCMA R-Value / U Factor / Heat Capacity Calculator
User Input Page (1 Layer Unit)

Please enter inputs below for the wall assembly

Step 2: CMU Description
Description:
Step 2: CMU Nominal Dimensions
Width (in.): -0.175
Height (in.): -0.175
Length (in.): -0.175

Step 3: Face Shell Thickness
Face 1 Thickness (in.):
Face 2 Thickness (in.):

Step 4: Web Information
Web 1 Thickness (in.): Web 1 Height (in.): Calculated Web Area:
Web 2 Thickness (in.): Web 2 Height (in.): Inside Surface Finish:
Web 3 Thickness (in.): Web 3 Height (in.): Outside Surface Finish:
Web 4 Thickness (in.): Web 4 Height (in.):
Total:

Step 5: 12-in. & 12-in. Surface Finishes
Inside Surface Finish:
Outside Surface Finish:

Step 6: Total Wall Area
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COMcheck

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COMcheck™ Software

Windows Mac COMcheck-Web Technical Support

COMcheck™ for Windows®

Version 4.0.2 (Build Version: 4.0.2.8)

Runs on Vista or Windows 7 in either single, multi-user, or network environments

Supported Codes:

2009, 2012 and 2015 IECC,
ASHRAE Standard 90.1:2007, 2010, and 2013
Various state-developed energy codes.

Version 4.0.2 includes support for the 2015 IECC energy code. This release also includes support for '2014 Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation'. 2006 IECC and 2011 Vermont Commercial Building Energy Code are no longer supported by COMcheck.

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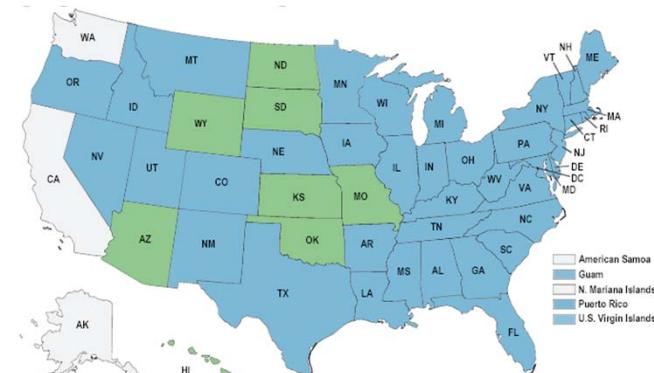
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- easy way to take advantage of trade-offs, ie, increase roof insulation to reduce wall or window requirements.
- program shows if the envelope complies, and how close it is to compliance
- allows individual elements to be tweaked for compliance, revisions are quick and easy.
- **Trade offs are for envelope only**

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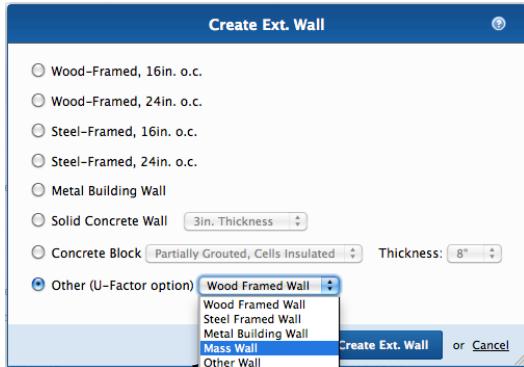
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Component	Assembly	Building Area Type	Penetration Details	Construction Details	Gross Area or Size Parameter	Convection Coefficient R-Value	U-Factor	Heat Capacity	UA	SHGC	Projection Factor
1	Roof	Insulation Entirely Above Deck			134133 ft ²	30	0.032	4292			
2	Roof	Insulation Entirely Above Deck	2 - Retail (N)		4188 ft ²	30	0.032	134			
3	Ext. Wall	Other Mass Wall	2 - Office (N)		5288 ft ²	0.1		3114			
4	Door	Insulated Metal			378 ft ²	0.61	0.21	231			
5	Door	Insulated Metal			162 ft ²	0.21	0.21	34			
6	Door	Uninsulated Double-Layer Metal			320 ft ²	0.21	0.21	67			
7	Window	Metal Frame with Thermal Break, Fixed			207 ft ²	0.37	0.37	77	0.25	1.45	
8	Window	Metal Frame with Thermal Break, Fixed			532 ft ²	0.37	0.37	187	0.25	0	
9	Window	Metal Frame with Thermal Break, Fixed			152 ft ²	0.37	0.37	56	0.25	1.45	
10	Ext. Wall	Other Mass Wall	2 - Office (N)		1243 ft ²	0.1	0.21	134			
11	Floor	Unheated Sub-On-Grade	2 - Retail (N)		1611 ft ²	10		870			

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COMcheck Input



Always use Other (mass) exterior wall input
Default value for CMU very conservative.

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COMcheck Input – Other Mass Wall

Assembly	Oriente	Continuous Insulation R-Value	U-Factor	Heat Capacity
Other Mass Wall	North	0.091	/	

Thermal Catalog
NCMA TEKs 6-1C & 6-2C
R-Value/U-Factor
Calculator

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NCMA TEK 6-16A

Also ACI 122R Guide to Thermal
Properties of Concrete and
Masonry Systems

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COMcheck Results

- Using COMCheck allows slightly higher U-factor for mass wall than prescriptive
- Using trade-offs can change required efficiency for walls (or other components)

Method	Mass wall requirement
Prescriptive R-value	R9.5 ci
Prescriptive U-factor	U-0.104 (R9.6)
COMcheck code max U	U-0.109 (R9.2)
Trade-off: max roof R (R60)	U-0.164 (R6.1)

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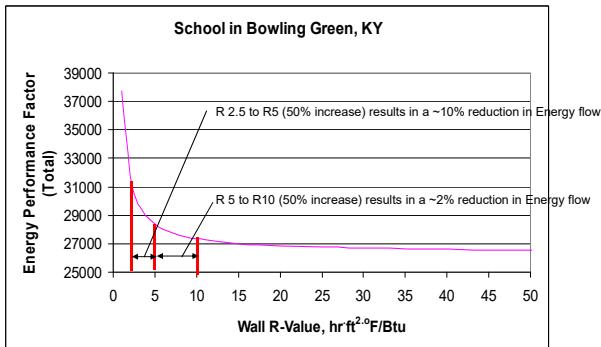
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- If close to prescriptive can help
- But prescriptive R/U values close to max effective values.
- Large increases in R have less impact at higher R values
- See following slide

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Envelope Performance Factor (EPF) is a relative term that approximates the total heating and cooling energy associated with an average square foot of surface or square meter of building envelope



COMCheck accounts for this effect so adding a lot of R on roof only minimally effective if on flat part of curve

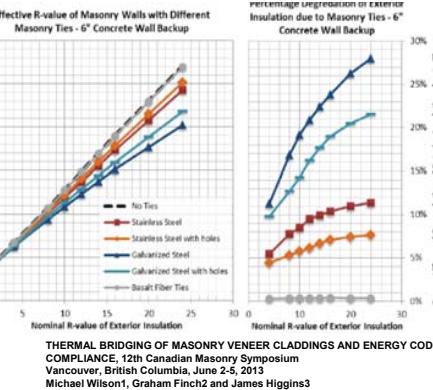
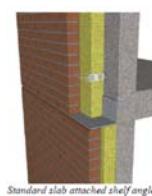
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Thermal Bridging

Thermal bridging can have a significant effect on Thermal resistance of the envelope – Thus the C_i or U requirement.

*Ties(anchors)
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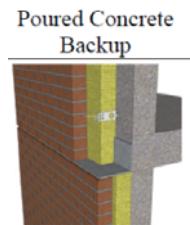
16" x 24"



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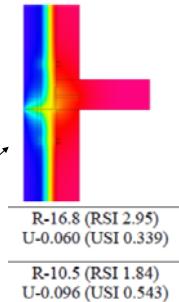
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Thermal bridging can have a significant effect on Thermal resistance of the envelope – Thus the C_i requirement.



*Shelf angles can reduce
steady state thermal
resistance significantly*

~40% reduction



MASONRY VENEER SUPPORT DETAILS: THERMAL BRIDGING, 12th Canadian Masonry Symposium
Vancouver, British Columbia, June 2-5, 2013
Michael Wilson1, Graham Finch2 and James Higgins3

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Metal Thermal bridges can impact Steady state thermal resistance.

- What impact does reduction in the exterior wall thermal resistance have?
- Do changes in envelope thermal resistances produce proportional increases in energy loss and thus energy use?
- Looked at this issue further by addressing energy use in a few typical masonry buildings –

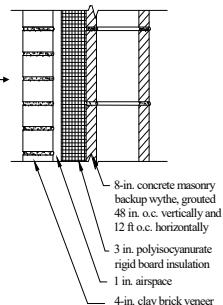
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BEST WAY TO EVALUATE THESE EFFECTS IS TO USE HOLISTIC ENERGY ANALYSIS – ENERGYPLUS, DOE 2.

- Basis of 3rd compliance method, Energy Budget method – Proposed building must have \leq Energy cost to prescriptive methods – Also new Appendix G method index.
- Better accounts of thermal mass effects – dynamic weather and internal loads, etc.

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Evaluated Select Alternatives (ECM's):



Vary the exterior masonry cavity wall insulation: 1 1/4" thick polystyrene, 1 1/2" thick polystyrene, 2" thick polyisocyanurate foam board, 3" polyisocyanurate foam board. **Over 100% swing in insulation values.**

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Designed a Base Prototype Middle School to Meet prescriptive provisions -4B

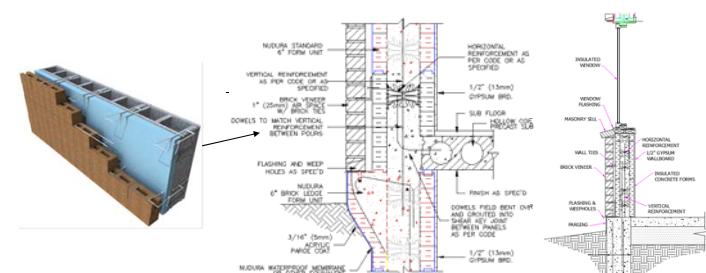
- Most Lights T 12- 2 and 4 lamp systems
- High bay halides
- HVAC VAV - Gas boilers and Chillers
- Typical school use schedules.
- Minimum Envelope U and R values ~ R 26 Roof,
~R 9.8 Walls
- Base EUI - ~132



www.schoolclearinghouse.org) ~158,000 ft² 2 Story- Prototype

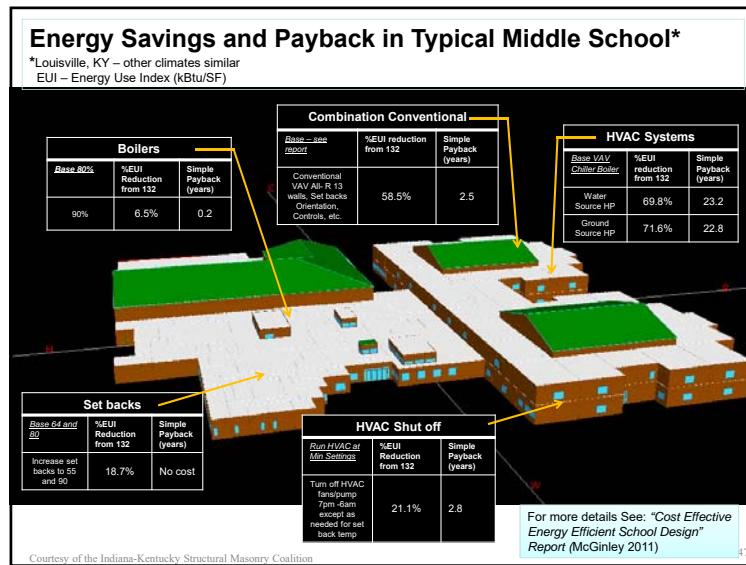
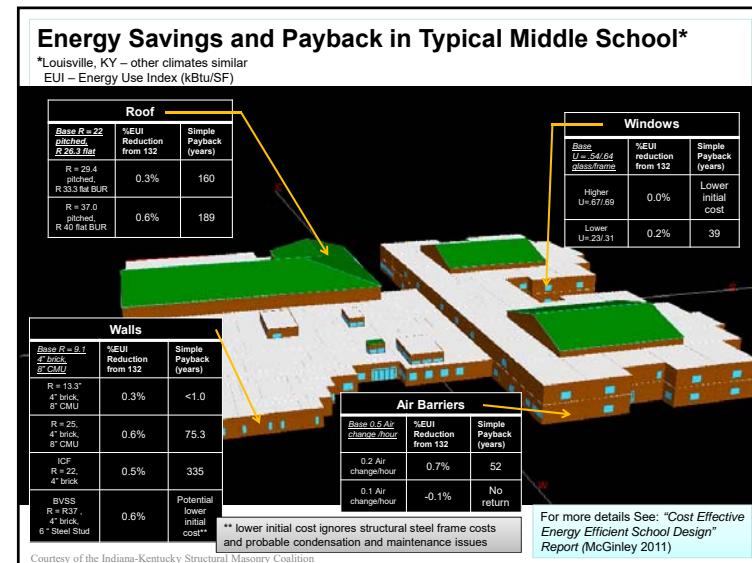
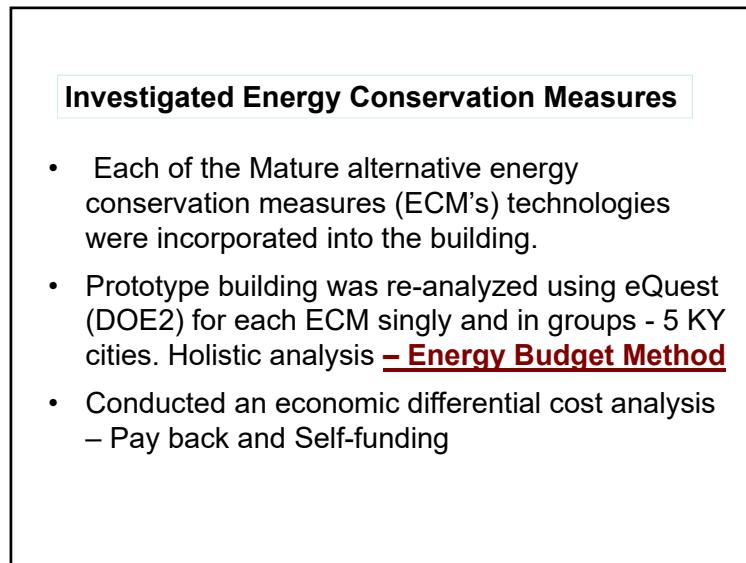
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Evaluated Select Alternatives (ECM's):



Exterior CMU wall structure to an insulated concrete form (ICF) wall system; 4" face brick, air space, 1 ½" polyurethane, 6" 140lb concrete, 1 ½" polyurethane, and ½" gypsum board.

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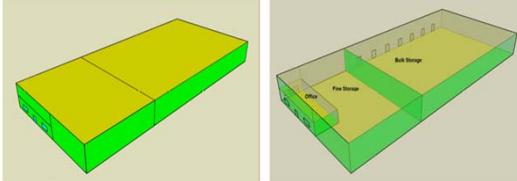
ALTERNATIVE ENERGY DESIGNS IN SINGLE WYTHE MASONRY BUILDINGS

- U of L looked at design alternatives to the simple prescriptive solutions offered by the energy code for three building archetypes that are typically constructed with single wythe masonry exterior wall systems.
- For each archetype, various code-compliant [ASHRAE 90.1 2010, NECB 2011] alternative construction configurations were examined for energy efficiencies, energy costs and construction costs (for various climate zones).
- Also conducted a differential capital cost and payback analysis
- Also looked at Canadian Code

Archetype 1 – Warehouse - US

One of 16 reference buildings used for the evaluation of energy analysis software by the Department of Energy and developed to be representative of over 80% of typical warehouse configurations [Deru, et-al 2011], [NREL 2013].

Prototype Warehouse for the Energy Modelling ($\approx 50000 \text{ ft}^2$)

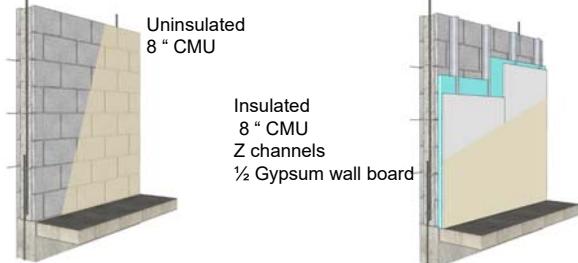


Evaluated Climate Zones and cities.

City	State	Climate Zone	City	State	Climate Zone
Atlanta	Georgia	3A	Chicago	Illinois	5A
Las Vegas	Nevada	3B	Boulder	Colorado	5B
San Francisco	California	3C	Minneapolis	Minnesota	6A
Baltimore	Maryland	4A	Helena	Montana	6B
Albuquerque	New Mexico	4B	Duluth	Minnesota	7
Seattle	Washington	4C			

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Prototype Warehouse **BASELINE DESIGNS - US**
Configured to Code Prescriptive levels and Analyzed using the Energyplus program for cities in Table 1 as required in the Energy Budget Code Compliance method



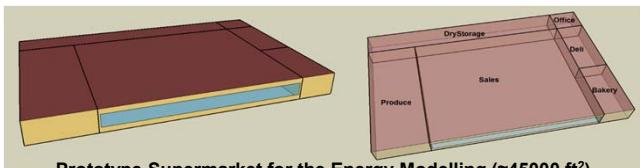
(Infiltration rate of 0.038 cfm/ft²)

Some climate zone required the exterior walls of the bulk storage to be insulated, some did not. The office and fine storage areas were insulated with varying R values

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Archetype 2 &3 Supermarket & Box Retail-US

One of 16 reference buildings used for the evaluation of energy analysis software by the Department of Energy [Deru, et-al 2011], [NREL 2013].



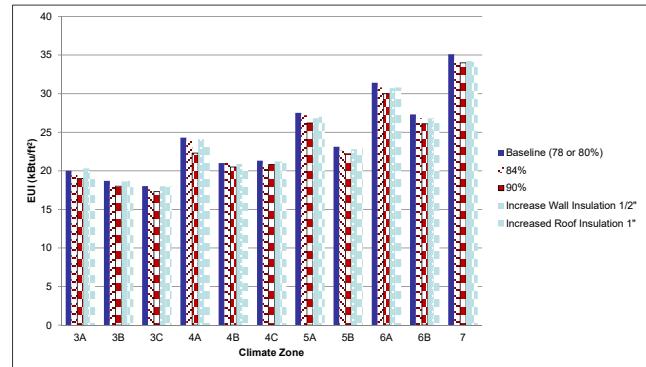
Prototype Supermarket for the Energy Modelling ($\approx 45000 \text{ ft}^2$)



Prototype Box Retail for the Energy Modelling ($\approx 45000 \text{ ft}^2$)

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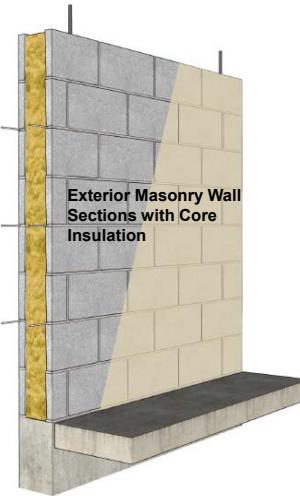
Warehouse Sensitivity Analysis- US



Energy Use Intensities: Wall and Roof Insulation vs. Heating Efficiency
Less effect of insulation more effect of HVAC efficiency

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Warehouse Sensitivity Analysis- US



8" CMU wall, partially grouted and reinforced at 48 inches OC -all other cores filled with foam insulation

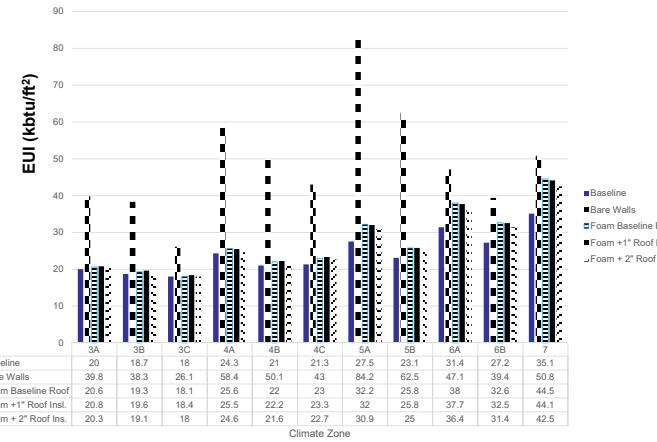
By NCMA TEK Note 6B [14] U- and R-values = 0.287 Btu/ft²·h·°F and 3.48 ft²·h·°F/Btu

This is a significant decrease in thermal transmittance when compared to the bare masonry wall (with U-value of 0.580 Btu/ft²·h·°F- partially grouted).

8" CMU wall having a continuous insulation of R-7.2 ft²·h·°F/ Btu (U-value of 0.125 Btu/ft²·h·°F)).

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Warehouse Sensitivity Analysis- US



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Alternative Designs US Code Compliance - Warehouse

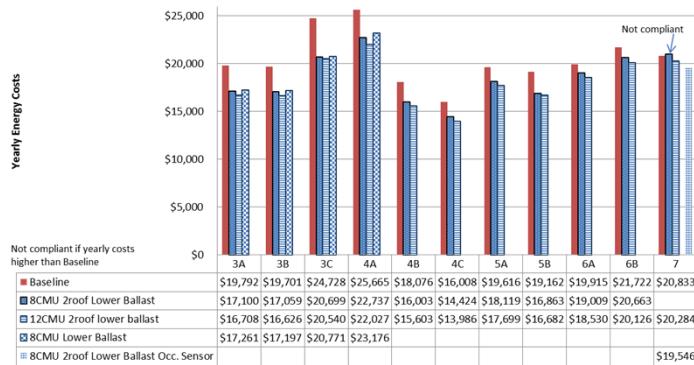
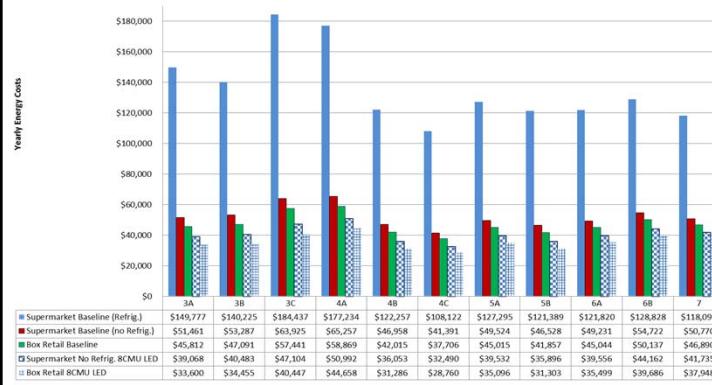


Figure: Yearly Prototype Warehouse Energy Costs. (based on State Averages)

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Alternative Designs US Code Compliance- Supermarket-Box Retail



Yearly Prototype Energy Costs. (see next slide)

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Alternative Designs US Differential Construction Cost



8"CMU Foam core Walls, Lower Ballast Factors
For 4B and above - +2" Roof insulation
For 7 - Occupancy Sensors

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Alternative Designs US Differential Construction Cost

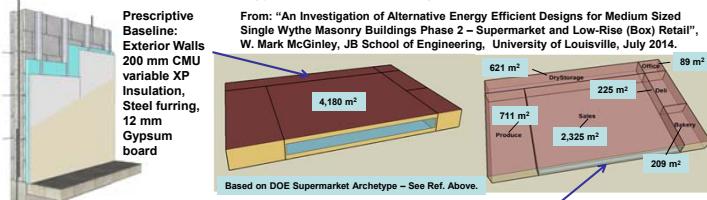
Construction Cost Savings of Alternative Designs Box Retail and Supermarkets – 8" CMU Foamed wall and LED Lights



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Single Wythe Masonry Walls, Supermarkets & Box Retail Bldgs.– Alternative Energy Code Compliant Designs

(To the National Energy Code for Buildings – NECB 2011)



Maximum Prescribed Envelope Thermal Transmittances (U-values)- NECB-2011 (W/m²K)

Climate Zone	4	5	6	7A	7B
Wall	0.315	0.278	0.247	0.210	0.210
Roof	0.227	0.183	0.183	0.162	0.162
Floor	0.227	0.183	0.183	0.162	0.162
Windows	2.4	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2
Doors	2.4	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.2

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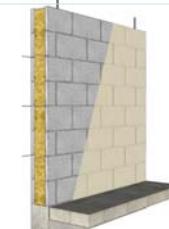
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Single Wythe Masonry Walls, Supermarkets & Box Retail Bldgs.– Alternative Energy Code Compliant Designs

Table1

Location	Victoria	Windsor	Montreal	Edmonton	Ft. McMurray
Climate Zone	4	5	6	7A	7B
Supermarket Reference Baseline, No Refrig., (Max FDWR)	0.732 (64.5)	0.809 (71.2)	0.937 (82.5)	0.966 (85.1)	1.06 (93.1)
Supermarket, 20 cm CMU Foamed, LED Lights, No Refrigeration	0.674 (59.4)	0.750 (66.0)	0.899 (79.2)	0.947 (83.4)	1.07 (94.2)
Supermarket, 20 CMU Foamed, LED, 0.9 Heating Coil, No Refrig.					0.990 (87.1)
Box Retail, Reference Baseline, (Max FDWR)	0.696 (61.3)	0.773 (68.1)	0.913 (80.4)	0.927 (81.6)	1.015 (89.4)
Box Retail, 20 cm CMU Foamed, LED Lights	0.635 (55.9)	0.709 (62.4)	0.872 (76.8)	0.921 (81.1)	1.046 (92.1)
Box Retail, 20 cm CMU Foamed, LED Lights, 0.9 Heating Coil					0.961 (84.6)

Denotes non NECB code compliant



Alternative: 20 cm CMU, grouted at 1200mm OC, XP Foam in Cores (U=1.64 W/m²K)

Table 2 Alternative NECB Code Compliant Costs Compared to Prescriptive Configs.

Climate Zone	4	5	6	7A	7B
Supermarket and Box Retail Construction Savings	\$64,270	\$52,041	\$56,095	\$59,844	\$20,351
Supermarket Yearly Energy Cost Savings	\$3,479	\$4,592	\$2,762	\$5,131	\$4,336
Box Retail Yearly Energy Cost Savings	\$6,454	\$6,690	\$2,660	\$3,925	\$2,640

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Conclusions

- Prescriptive Methods can be used but assembly U values may be the best way to achieve this especially with 8" or 12" CMU and foamed cores, or two web blocks.
- COM check – Envelope trade offs can work where your designs are close to prescriptive code configurations. Use OTHER Walls.
- Energy Budget method showed significant potential energy savings of over 50% for typical prescriptive configurations. Better lighting, HVAC systems and aggressive control strategies -paybacks < 3 years.

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Conclusions

- Envelope improvements beyond code minimums have little effect on yearly energy consumption.
- Thermal Bridging may have minimal effect on energy consumption and may be compensated with a little additional insulation.

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