

# **Strategies for Sustainable Energy**

### Lecture 2. Energy Consumption

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#### **Estimating Energy Consumption by Cars**

83.3 kWh per 100 person-km

$\frac{\text{energy used}}{\text{per day}} = \frac{\text{distance travelled per day}}{\text{distance per unit of fuel}} \times \text{energy used}$	ergy per unit of fu	el.
distance traveled per day = 50 km (30 miles) distance per unit of fuel = 33 miles/gallon = 12 km/liter energy per volume of fuel = 10 kWh/liter	Consumption	Production
energy used per day = 40 kWh/day		
<ul><li>This energy doesn't include the cost of</li><li>making the fuel</li><li>making the car</li></ul>	Car: 40 kWh/d	
The fuel efficiency used in this book is kWh per hundred person-km For a single occupied car	igure 3.3. Chapter pical car-driver u	: 3's conclusion: a ises about 40 kWh

per day.



#### **Opportunities for Reducing Energy Consumption by Cars (Chapter 20)**

- 1. In *short-distance travel* with lots of starting and stopping, the energy mainly goes into speeding up the vehicle and its contents. Key strategies for consuming less in this sort of transportation are therefore to *weigh less*, and to *go further between stops*. Regenerative braking, which captures energy when slowing down, may help too. In addition, it helps to *move slower*, and to *move less*.
- 2. In *long-distance travel* at steady speed, by train or automobile, most of the energy goes into making air swirl around, because you only have to accelerate the vehicle once. The key strategies for consuming less in this sort of transportation are therefore to *move slower*, and to *move less*, and to *use long*, *thin vehicles*.
- 3. In all forms of travel, there's an energy-conversion chain, which takes energy in some sort of fuel and uses some of it to push the vehicle forwards. Inevitably this energy chain has inefficiencies. In a standard fossil-fuel car, for example, only 25% is used for pushing, and roughly 75% of the energy is lost in making the engine and radiator hot. So a final strategy for consuming less energy is to make the energy-conversion chain more efficient.



#### **Opportunities for Reducing Energy Consumption by Cars (Chapter 20)**

Six principles of vehicle design and vehicle use for more efficient surface transport

- reduce frontal area per person
- reduce the vehicle's weight per person
- when traveling, go at a steady speed and avoid using the brakes
- travel more slowly
- travel less
- make the energy chain more efficient



Figure 20.2. Team Crocodile's eco-car uses 1.3 kWh per 100 km. Photo kindly provided by Team Crocodile. www.teamcrocodile.com

> 2184 miles per gallon 920 km per liter

A widely quoted statistic says something along the lines of "only 1 percent of the energy used by a car goes into moving the driver" – the implication being that, surely, by being a bit smarter, we could make cars 100 times more efficient? The answer is yes, almost, but only by applying the principles of vehicle design and vehicle use, listed above, to *extreme* degrees.



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Figure 20.3. "Babies on board." This mode of transportation has an energy cost of 1 kWh per 100 person-km.



Figure 20.4. This 8-carriage train, at its maximum speed of 100 mph (161 km/h), consumes 1.6 kWh per 100 passenger-km, if full.

Energy consu (kWh per 10	mption 0 p-km)
Car	68
Bus	19
Rail	6
Air	51
Sea	57

Table 20.8. Overall transport efficiencies of transport modes in Japan (1999).

Compare to the fuel efficiency for a single occupied car of 83.3 kWh per 100 person-km



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The energy consumption of individual cars *can* be reduced. The wide range of energy efficiencies of cars for sale proves this. In a single showroom in 2006 you could buy a Honda Civic 1.4 that uses roughly 44 kWh per 100 km, or a Honda NSX 3.2 that uses 116 kWh per 100 km (figure 20.9). The fact that people merrily *buy* from this wide range is also proof that we need extra incentives and legislation to encourage the blithe consumer to *choose* more energy-efficient cars. There are various ways to help con-

# Legislation is necessary!

If we can't give up cars, Five technologies for improving cars

- regenerative braking
- hybrid cars
- electric cars
- hydrogen cars
- compressed-air cars



#### **Opportunities for Reducing Energy Consumption by Cars (Chapter 20)**

### Regenerative braking

There are four ways to capture energy as a vehicle slows down.

- 1. An electric generator coupled to the wheels can charge up an electric battery or supercapacitor.
- 2. Hydraulic motors driven by the wheels can make compressed air, stored in a small canister.
- 3. Energy can be stored in a flywheel.
- 4. Braking energy can be stored as gravitational energy by driving the vehicle up a ramp whenever you want to slow down. This gravitational energy storage option is rather inflexible, since there must be a ramp in the right place. It's an option that's most useful for trains, and it is illustrated by the London Underground's Victoria line, which has hump-back stations. Each station is at the top of a hill in the track. Arriving trains are automatically slowed down by the hill, and departing trains are accelerated as they go down the far side of the hill. The hump-back-station design provides an energy saving of 5% and makes the trains run 9% faster.



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### Hybrid cars

Hybrid cars provide

- a modest improvement in fuel efficiency (20-30%)
- carbon emissions on par with non-hybrid cars
- not a sufficient advance to impact the sustainable energy challenge



Figure 20.19. Toyota Prius – according to Jeremy Clarkson, "a very expensive, very complex, not terribly green, slow, cheaply made, and pointless way of moving around." **Opportunities for Reducing Energy Consumption by Cars (Chapter 20)** 

Electric vehicles

Electric cars provide

- significant improvement in energy efficiency
- have range limitations (good for city driving)

The environmental benefit depends upon where the electricity comes from

If you drive an electric car that is charged with electricity from a conventional coal-fired power plant, then is there any environmental advantage?

Some studies say no. Some say yes, but only by a slight margin.

We need green electricity to make electric vehicles green.

Figure 20.21. Electricity required to recharge a G-Wiz versus distance driven. Measurements were made at the socket.





# 3. Consumption: Cars



#### **Opportunities for Reducing Energy Consumption by Cars (Chapter 20)**

Hydrogen cars

Hydrogen cars

- potentially can have higher energy efficiency due to the better efficiency of fuel cells over internal combusion engines
- have not demonstrated significant improvement in energy efficiency in practice
- do not have range limitations like electric vehicles
- have storage problems (how to store hydrogen on board)

• have start-up problems (could be combined with electric vehicles to have a hybrid electric battery-fuel cell vehicle with long range and good start-up performance

The environmental benefit depends upon where the hydrogen comes from.



Figure 20.26. BMW Hydrogen 7. Energy consumption: 254 kWh per 100 km. Photo from BMW.



Figure 20.23. Energy requirements of different forms of passenger transport. The vertical coordinate shows the energy consumption in kWh per 100 passenger-km. The horizontal coordinate indicates the speed of the transport. The "Car (1)" is an average UK car doing 33 miles per gallon with a single occupant. The "Bus" is the average performance of all London buses. The "Underground system" shows the performance of the whole London Underground system. The catamaran is a diesel-powered vessel. I've indicated on the left-hand side equivalent fuel efficiencies in passenger-miles per imperial gallon (p-mpg). Hollow point-styles show best-practice performance, assuming all seats of a vehicle are in use. Filled point-styles indicate actual performance of a vehicle in See also figure 15.8 (energy requirements of freight transport).





**Opportunities for Reducing Energy Consumption by Cars (Chapter 20)** 

You've shown that electric cars are more energy-efficient than fossil cars. But are they better if our objective is to reduce  $CO_2$  emissions, and the electricity is still generated by fossil power-stations?

This is quite an easy calculation to do. Assume the electric vehicle's energy cost is 20 kWh(e) per 100 km. (I think 15 kWh(e) per 100 km is perfectly possible, but let's play sceptical in this calculation.) If grid electricity has a carbon footprint of 500 g per kWh(e) then the effective emissions of this vehicle are  $100 \text{ g CO}_2$  per km, which is as good as the best fossil cars (figure 20.9). So I conclude that switching to electric cars is *already* a good idea, even before we green our electricity supply.



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Electric cars, like fossil cars, have costs of both manufacture and use. Electric cars may cost less to use, but if the batteries don't last very long, shouldn't you pay more attention to the manufacturing cost?

Yes, that's a good point. My transport diagram shows only the use cost. If electric cars require new batteries every few years, my numbers may be underestimates. The batteries in a Prius are expected to last just 10 years, and a new set would cost £3500. Will anyone want to own a 10-year old Prius and pay that cost? It could be predicted that most Priuses will be junked at age 10 years. This is certainly a concern for all electric vehicles that have batteries. I guess I'm optimistic that, as we switch to electric vehicles, battery technology is going to improve.



#### **Opportunities for Reducing Energy Consumption by Cars (Chapter 20)**

#### I live in a hot place. How could I drive an electric car? I demand powerhungry air-conditioning!

There's an elegant fix for this demand: fit 4 m<sup>2</sup> of photovoltaic panels in the upward-facing surfaces of the electric car. If the air-conditioning is needed, the sun must surely be shining. 20%-efficient panels will generate up to 800 W, which is enough to power a car's air-conditioning. The panels might even make a useful contribution to charging the car when it's parked, too. Solar-powered vehicle cooling was included in a Mazda in 1993; the solar cells were embedded in the glass sunroof.

#### I live in a cold place. How could I drive an electric car? I demand powerhungry heating!

The motor of an electric vehicle, when it's running, will on average use something like 10 kW, with an efficiency of 90–95%. Some of the lost power, the other 5–10%, will be dissipated as heat in the motor. Perhaps electric cars that are going to be used in cold places can be carefully designed so that this motor-generated heat, which might amount to 250 or 500 W, can be piped from the motor into the car. That much power would provide some significant windscreen demisting or body-warming.



#### **Opportunities for Reducing Energy Consumption by Cars (Chapter 20)**

# *Is there enough lithium to make all the batteries for a huge fleet of electric cars?*

World lithium reserves are estimated to be 9.5 million tons in ore deposits (p175). A lithium-ion battery is 3% lithium. If we assume each vehicle has a 200 kg battery, then we need 6 kg of lithium per vehicle. So the estimated reserves in ore deposits are enough to make the batteries for 1.6 billion vehicles. That's more than the number of cars in the world today (roughly 1 billion) – but not much more, so the amount of lithium may be a concern, especially when we take into account the competing ambitions of the nuclear fusion posse (Chapter 24) to guzzle lithium in their reactors. There's many thousands times more lithium in sea water, so perhaps the oceans will provide a useful backup. However, lithium specialist R. Keith Evans says "concerns regarding lithium availability for hybrid or electric vehicle batteries or other foreseeable applications are unfounded." And anyway, other lithium-free battery technologies such as zinc-air rechargeables are being developed [www.revolttechnology.com]. I think the electric car is a goer!

# 4. Consumption: Airplanes



#### **Estimating Energy Consumption by Airplanes (Chapter 5)**

Imagine that you make one intercontinental trip per year by plane. How much energy does that cost?

A Boeing 747-400 with 240 000 litres of fuel carries 416 passengers about 8 800 miles (14 200 km). And fuel's calorific value is 10 kWh per litre. (We learned that in Chapter 3.) So the energy cost of one full-distance round-trip on such a plane, if divided equally among the passengers, is

 $\frac{2\times240\,000\,litre}{416\,passengers}\times10\,kWh/litre\simeq12\,000\,kWh\,per\,passenger.$ 

If you make one such trip per year, then your average energy consumption per day is

 $\frac{12\,000\,\text{kWh}}{365\,\text{days}} \simeq 33\,\text{kWh}/\text{day}.$ 

# 4. Consumption: Airplanes

Jet flights:

 $30 \, kWh/d$ 

Car:

 $40 \, kWh/d$ 



# Estimating Energy Consumption by Airplanes (Chapter 5) Flying • requires a lot of energy

Wind:

 $20 \, kWh/d$ 

• is especially damaging to the environment because it ejects GHG directly into the upper atmosphere

"If you have \$1000 (1,000,000 KRW) and you want to do the maximum damage to the environment, take an intercontinental flight. If you have \$5 (5000 KRW) and you want to do the maximum damage to the environment, buy a package of fresh fruit out of season that has been flown overseas."

paraphrase from Roland Clift

Figure 5.1. Taking one intercontinental trip per year uses about 30 kWh per day.

# 4. Consumption: Airplanes



#### **Estimating Energy Consumption by Airplanes (Chapter 20)**

### The future of flying?

The superjumbo A380 is said by Airbus to be "a highly fuel-efficient aircraft." In fact, it burns just 12% less fuel per passenger than a 747.

Boeing has announced similar breakthroughs: their new 747–8 Intercontinental, trumpeted for its planet-saving properties, is (according to Boeing's advertisements) only 15% more fuel-efficient than a 747–400.

This slender rate of progress (contrasted with cars, where changes in technology deliver two-fold or even ten-fold improvements in efficiency) is explained in Technical Chapter C. Planes are up against a fundamental limit imposed by the laws of physics. Any plane, whatever its size, *has to* expend an energy of about 0.4 kWh per ton-km on keeping up and keeping moving. Planes have already been fantastically optimized, and there is no prospect of significant improvements in plane efficiency.



#### **Estimating Energy Consumption by Heating and Cooling**

Device	power	time per day	energy per day
Cooking			
– kettle	3 kW	¹⁄3 h	1 kWh/d
- microwave	1.4 kW	¹⁄₃ h	0.5 kWh/d
<ul> <li>– electric cooker (rings)</li> </ul>	3.3 kW	1/2 h	1.6 kWh/d
– electric oven	3 kW	1/2 h	1.5 kWh/d
Cleaning			
- washing machine	2.5 kW		1 kWh/d
– tumble dryer	2.5 kW	0.8 h	2 kWh/d
- airing-cupboard drying			0.5 kWh/d
- washing-line drying			o kWh/d
– dishwasher	2.5 kW		1.5 kWh/d
Cooling			
- refrigerator	0.02 kW	24 h	0.5 kWh/d
– freezer	0.09 kW	24 h	2.3 kWh/d
<ul> <li>air-conditioning</li> </ul>	0.6 kW	1 h	o.6 kWh/d

• bath = 5 kWh

• shower = 1.4 kWh

#### Total usage:

heating water = 12 kWh/day heating air = 24 kWh/day cooling = 1 kWh/day (no AC needed in the UK) total = 37 kWh/day

Heating, cooling: 37 kWh/d Jet flights: 30 kWh/d Car: 40 kWh/d

### 9. Consumption: Light



#### **Estimating Energy Consumption by Lighting**

#### total = 4 kWh/day



Incandescent vs compact fluorescent light bulbs

- incandescent = 10 lumens per W
- compact fluorescent = 55 lumens per W

Should I wait until the old bulb dies before replacing it?

It feels like a waste, doesn't it? Someone put resources into making the old incandescent lightbulb; shouldn't we cash in that original investment by using the bulb until it's worn out? But the economic answer is clear: *continuing to use an old lightbulb is throwing good money after bad*. If you can find a satisfactory low-energy replacement, replace the old bulb now.



### 11. Consumption: Gadgets



Estimating Energy Consumption	Gadget	Power consumption (W)				
by Gadgets (electronics)		on and	on but	standby	off	Gadgets: 5
by Cadgets (cleationics)		active	inactive			Light: 4 KWh/d
totol - E I/M/b/dov	Computer and peripherals:					
lolar = 5 kvvn/day	computer box	80	55		2	
	cathode-ray display	110		3	0	
Table 11.4. Power consumptions of	LCD display	34		2	1	Heating,
various gadgets, in watts. 40W is	projector	150		5		cooling;
1 kWh/d.	laser printer	500	17			271 MIL (1
	wireless & cable-modem	9				$37 \mathrm{kWh/d}$
	Laptop computer	16	9		0.5	
	Portable CD player	2				
	Bedside clock-radio	1.1	1			
	Bedside clock-radio	1.9	1.4			
	Digital radio	9.1		3		
	Radio cassette-player	3	1.2		1.2	
	Stereo amplifier	6			6	
Laptop: 16W Computer: 80W	Stereo amplifier II	13			0	Jet flights:
	Home cinema sound	7	7	4		30 kWh/d
	DVD player	7	6			
	DVD player II	12	10	5		
	TV	100		10		
	Video recorder	13		1		
LCD CRT Printer: 17W	Digital TV set top box	6		5		
31 W 108 W (on, idle)	Clock on microwave oven	2				
	Xbox	160		2.4		
Statement and a second s	Sony Playstation 3	190		2		
	Nintendo Wii	18		2		Car:
	Answering machine		2			40 kWh/d
Projector 150W Digital	Answering machine II		3			
Projector: 150 W Digital	Cordless telephone		1.7			
radio: 8W	Mobile phone charger	5	0.5			
	Vacuum cleaner	1600				

### 13. Consumption: Food & Farming



Estimating Energy Consumption by Food & Farming	Food, farming,
The minimum energy required by an active human being is on average about 2600 calories or 3 kWh/day	fertilizer: 15 kWh/d Gadgets: 5 Light: 4 kWh/d
<ul> <li>vegetables = 1.5 kWh/d</li> <li>milk = 1.5 kWh/d (includes feeding the dairy cow)</li> <li>2 eggs = 1 kWh/d (includes feeding the chicken)</li> <li>meat = 8 kWh/d (includes feeding the chicken, pig, cow)</li> <li>fertilizer = 2 kWh/d</li> </ul>	Heating, cooling: 37 kWh/d
<ul> <li>Tertilizer = 2 kWh/d</li> <li>energy on the farm = 1 kWh/d (tractors, heating greenhouses)</li> <li>total = 15 kWh/day</li> </ul>	Jet flights: 30 kWh/d
<ul> <li>Pets</li> <li>pet cat = 2 kWh/d</li> <li>pet dog = 9 kWh/d</li> <li>pet horse = 17 kWh/d</li> </ul>	Car: 40 kWh/d



I heard that the energy footprint of food is so big that "it's better to drive than to walk."

Whether this is true depends on your diet. It's certainly possible to find food whose fossil-fuel energy footprint is bigger than the energy delivered to the human. A bag of crisps, for example, has an embodied energy of 1.4 kWh of fossil fuel per kWh of chemical energy eaten. The embodied energy of meat is higher. According to a study from the University of Exeter, the typical diet has an embodied energy of roughly 6 kWh per kWh eaten. To figure out whether driving a car or walking uses less energy, we need to know the transport efficiency of each mode. For the typical car of Chapter 3, the energy cost was 80 kWh per 100 km. Walking uses a net energy of 3.6 kWh per 100 km – 22 times less. So if you live entirely on food whose footprint is greater than 22 kWh per kWh then, yes, the energy cost of getting you from A to B in a fossil-fuel-powered vehicle is less than if you go under your own steam. But if you have a typical diet (6 kWh per kWh) then "it's better to drive than to walk" is a myth. Walking uses one quarter as much energy.

### 15. Consumption: Stuff



Estimating Energy Consumption by Stuff stuff = material goods	Transporting stuff: 12 kWh/d
<ul> <li>The Life Cycle of stuff</li> <li>extraction of raw materials</li> </ul>	Stuff. 48+ kWh/d
<ul> <li>production: processing of raw materials into products</li> <li>use by the consumer</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>disposal (landfill, recycling)</li> </ul>	Food, farming, fertilizer: 15kWh/d Gadgets: 5
This chapter focuses on the first two phases.	Light 4 kWh/d
Examples <ul> <li>1 aluminum can = 0.6 kWh/d</li> <li>400 g of packaging = 4 kWh/d</li> </ul>	Heating, cooling: 37 kWh/d
<ul> <li>new computer every two years = 2.5 kWh/d</li> <li>200 g of newspaper/mail per day = 2 kWh/d</li> <li>1 house (used for 100 years) = 1 kWh/d/person</li> </ul>	Jet flights: 30 kWh∕d
<ul> <li>roads = 2 kWh/d/person</li> <li>television, furniture, clothes, shoes, etc.</li> <li>imported stuff = 1.3 tons stuff/person/year @ 10 kWh/kg = 40 kWh/d</li> <li>Total = 48 kWh/d</li> </ul>	Car: 40 kWh/d

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#### **Estimating Energy Consumption by Stuff** Transporting stuff: 12 kWh/d stuff = material goods Transporting stuff Stuff: 48+ kWh/d 1 kWh will transport one ton of freight one kilometer on the road 0.015 kWh will transport one ton of freight one kilometer by ship Food, farming, fertilizer: 15kWh/d In the UK in 2006, 156 billion t-km of freight on the road shared between 60 Gadgets: 5 Light 4 kWh/d million people comes to 7 t-km/day/person = 7 kWh/d/person Heating, 560 million tons of freight in British ports = 4 kWh/d/person cooling: 37kWh/d pumping water/treating sewage = 0.4 kWh/d/person Transportation of stuff total = 12 kWh/d Jet flights: 30 kWh/d Car: 40kWh/d



#### **Estimating Energy Consumption by Public Services** Transporting stuff: 12 kWh/d 6% of the British government expenses went to the military = 33 billion pounds 6% of the gross domestic product (GDP) went to energy Stuff: 48+ kWh/d If 6% (fraction of energy) of the 6% (fraction of military) is billed at 2.7p/kWh, Then we have 80 TWh per year in the military. This is 4 kWh/d/person. Food, farming, fertilizer: 15kWh/d Total = 4 kWh/d/person, ignoring everything except the military! Gadgets: 5 Light 4 kWh/d universities = 0.24 kWh/d/person Heating, cooling: 37kWh/d Jet flights: 30 kWh/d Car: 40kWh/d



#### Transporting stuff: 12 kWh/d **Consumption Grand Total = 195 kWh/day/person** Stuff: Official consumption in the UK is 125 kWh/day/person. 48+ kWh/d What is the difference? Food, farming, fertilizer: If you don't count the energy to make imported stuff, you lose 40 kWh/d/p. 15kWh/d Gadgets: 5 Light 4 kWh/d The resulting 155 kWh/day/person is higher than the UK average. (Perhaps the average UK citizen doesn't take 1 transcontinental flight each year—subtract Heating, cooling: another 30 kWh/day/person.) 37kWh/d Jet flights: 30 kWh/d Car: 40kWh/d

### **18. Total Consumption**







#### Comparison: Knoxville, Tennessee, USA 3 new homes



Home 2: Built by Contractor w/ conventional materials w/ conventional design immediately retrofit to be energy efficient

Home 1: Built by Contractor with conventional materials with conventional design

Images & Slides: Jeff Christian Oak Ridge National Laboratory Home 3: Built by from the beginning to be energy efficient Energy efficient design Energy efficient materials





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Note: NZEH = near zero energy house



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Comparison: Knoxville, Tennessee, USA 3 new homes

- Builder house, HERS Index = 85
  - Standard framing package R-13 walls, R-30 Ceiling
  - 2 Heat Pumps, SEER 13, HSPF 7.7, totaling 4.5 tons tons

### • Retrofit house, HERS Index = 66

- Sealed insulated attic
- One 3 ton heat pump, HSPF= 9.5, SEER 16, zone control
- 100% CFL
- Energy star appliances
- Single-hung LowE, gas filled windows
- Heat pump water heater in the garage
- 35-45% heating savings compared to the Builder house

Note: HERS = home energy rating system

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All modern houses use heat pumps with electrical heating, 1 kWh electricity creates 1 kWh of heat with a heat pump, 1 kWh of electricity creates 3-4 kWh of heat



Heat pumps use energy from an outside source (air or ground).

Heat pumps are reversible (heat in winter, cool in summer).

Heat pumps become less efficient as the temperature difference becomes greater.



Comparison: Knoxville, Tennessee, USA 3 new homes

### TVA Near Zero Energy House, HERs Index = 32

- Advanced 2 X 6 Framing with DOWsis
- R-49 attic with LP Techshield radiant barrier sheathing
- R-7. Triple layer windows from Serious Materials
- R-10 vertical slab stem wall insulation
- One Amana 2-ton HP, SEER 16, HSPF=9.5, zone control
- Fantech Energy Recovery Ventilator
- Advanced GE appliances
- Energy Star pin based High performance lighting design
- Solar drain-back water heater
- 2.5 kWh Solar PV system
- Greywater waste heat recovery
- Appliance waste heat recovery
- 65-70% heating energy savings

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Improvements In Design

# **ZEHcor Interior Utility Wall**

- Saves energy
  - Imposes floor plan discipline
  - Reduces hot water distribution losses
  - Enables integration that could never be done reliably on-site
    - ERV-to-FHX
    - Appliances & grey water to FHX
- Reduces cost
  - Pre-fabrication in a controlled environment
  - Greater labor productivity
  - Less materials waste







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Improvements In Materials

# **Triple layer windows R-6.7**



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# Ducts all inside the conditioned space, except 6 ft run out to bonus



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Improvements in economics due to local policy on green energy

# First TVA Solar Generation Partner collecting \$0.12/kWh above residential



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#### **New TVA feed-in tarriff**