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U.S. Commercial Buildings Energy Intensity

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Table 6c. U.S. Commercial Buildings Energy Intensity Using		
Weather-Adjusted Site Energy by Census Region and Principal		
Building Activity, 1992-1995		
(Million Btu per Worker)		

Principal Building Activity and Census Region	Survey Years		
	1992 ²	1995 ³	
U.S. Total	60	68	
Education	84	60	
Food Sales	97	208	
Food Service	75	140	
Health Care	76	123	
Lodging	105	166	
Mercantile and Service	45	70	
Office	40	37	
Public Assembly	70	147	
Public Order and Safety	63	71	
Religious Worship	36	26	
Warehouse and Storage	84	65	
Other ⁴	110	91	
Vacant	102	78	
Total Northeast	45	67	
Education	96	75	
Food Sales	Q	Q	
Food Service	74	Q	
Health Care	54	157	
Lodging	65	137	
Mercantile and Service	22	67	
Office	33	32	
Public Assembly	58	145	
Public Order and Safety	113	65	
Religious Worship	38	67	
Warehouse and Storage	110	63	
Other ⁴	68	Q	

Vacant	Q	60
Total Midwest	79	84
Education	102	62
Food Sales	100	G
Food Service	101	160
Health Care	117	180
Lodging	111	177
Mercantile and Service	71	110
Office	49	42
Public Assembly	71	132
Public Order and Safety	Q	95
Religious Worship	67	109
Warehouse and Storage	114	106
Other ⁴	Q	G
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Vacant	192	C
Total South	62	62
Education	65	54
Food Sales	114	196
Food Service	64	135
Health Care	78	115
Lodging	139	193
Mercantile and Service	56	64
Office	45	35
Public Assembly	74	110
Public Order and Safety	41	57
Religious Worship	33	1
Warehouse and Storage	69	53
Other ⁴	Q	11
Vacant	98	55
Total West	55	6′
Education	75	
Food Sales	104	192
Food Service	66	174
Health Care	51	82
	125	145
Lodging Mercantile and Service		
	58	44
Office Public Accombly	73	38
Public Assembly Public Order and Safety	73 Q	
Religious Worship	20	25
Warehouse and Storage	50	49
Other ⁴	85	C
Vacant	84	104

http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/cbecs/comparesampdesign.html

Q = Data withheld because the Relative Standard Error was greater than 50 percent or fewer than 20 buildings were sampled.

Sources: Energy Information Administration (EIA), Commercial Buildings Energy Consumption Surveys, 1992, 1995, and EIA, "Annual Energy Review," 2005; Tables 1.10 and 1.19. Available online: http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/aer/txt/ptb0110.html, and http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/aer/txt/ptb0109.html

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¹ Sum of major fuels. Weather-adjusted energy consumption for 1999and 2003 is not reported because 1999 and 2003 CBECS do not estimate energy consumption for space heating, space cooling, and ventilation. Normals are based on calculations of data from 1971 through 2000. To aggregate Census division degree-days to Census regions, each division value is weighted by its percentage of the total Census region population.

² Estimates adjusted to match the 1995 and 1999 CBECS definition of target population. More information available online:

³ Per employee during main shift.

⁴ Laboratory buildings are included in the "Other" category.