# **RBSA** Residential Building Stock Assessment

Analysis of public power sample in BPA territory using single-family and manufactured homes databases

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# Introduction and Overview

# **About the RBSA**

Assessment of residential buildings which audited the major energyrelated components of homes from a representative sample of more than 1,850 single-family, manufactured, and multifamily homes in the Pacific Northwest.

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# Introduction and Overview

## **Research Objective of This Study**

This analysis of single-family and manufactured home RBSA data characterizes BPA's territory and identifies program opportunities for future energy efficiency activities.





# Methodology

### Sampling

- A representative sample of single-family and manufactured homes in the PNW (1,404 single-family homes and 321 manufactured homes).
- Sample size large enough to achieve 90%+/-10% confidence and precision within:
  - Entire PNW, BPA region, and each of the BPA's five sub-regions
  - MH sample not large enough within BPA's sub-regions
- All analyses are weighted to describe the population.

### **Data Collection**

Two-hour on-site visits by two auditors between late 2011 and mid 2012.

### **Unit of Analysis**

- The unit of analysis for this study is an occupied housing unit or a house.
- For analyses that involves multiple instances of a particular component, we used a selected component as a unit or weighted proportion.

# Methodology

	Analysis by building type	Analysis aggregated
Building Characteristics	YES	
Envelope	YES	
HVAC	YES	
Lighting		YES
Water Heating		YES
Appliance		YES
Consumer electronics		YES

### **Utility Domains for Analyses**

- BPA status: Utilities in BPA service territory vs. non-BPA territory
- BPA sub-region: BPA utilities in Puget Sound, Western Washington, Western Oregon, Eastern Oregon and Washington, and Idaho and Montana
- SRR status: BPA utilities serving SRR (rural), non-SRR Option 1 (suburban), and Option 2 (urban)
- Rate design: BPA utilities with slice block power purchase vs. load following agreement

Final Sample Distribution – Entire Pacific Northwest



Note: Colored areas represent utility boundaries. Locations of sampled homes are approximated by zip code.

### Final Sample Distribution – Within BPA Regions



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#### **Distribution of building type**



#### Distribution of building vintage



SF – Building Characteristics

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#### Distribution of foundation type



SF – Building Characteristics

% of homes with verified use of natural gas

#### % of owner-occupied homes



Distribution of building vintage





% of homes with verified use of natural gas by building type

MH – Building Characteristics



<u>SF – Envelope</u>

**Distribution of attic insulation level** 



Average % of homes with "poor" attic insulation (R0-R20) by vintage





Average % of homes with "poor" attic

20







Average ACH50 by vintage

Note: Bars with asterisk (\*) indicate small sample (< 30).

SF – Envelope



Average ACH50 by vintage

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MH – Envelope



Note: "Electric Zonal" includes baseboard, boiler, and plug-in heater. "Heat Pump" includes DHP. "Gas – Other systems includes boiler and stove heater. "Other fuel types" includes oil-, propane-, pellets-, or wood-based systems.

25



% of homes reporting wood consumption

Note: Wood use is self-report data. The analysis is among homes that use electricity as primary heating fuel or wood as primary and electric as secondary.





% of sites with baseboard



#### Distribution of primary heating system and fuel type



#### % of MH homes reporting wood consumption

MH – HVAC



Distribution of primary cooling system

LL.





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#### Average lamp count by lamp type



#### Distribution of exterior lamp type



Average interior LPD by room in BPA territory

LPD (Lighting Power Density) - ratio of light output in an area and the electric power used to produce that light.







# Program Opportunities – summary of all measures

### **Envelope measures**

- Attic and floor insulation measures in older vintage homes and in urban regions.
- Air-tightening measures for older vintage homes.

### **HVAC** measures

- Central heat pump and DHP conversion opportunities in E. Oregon and Washington,
  W. Oregon and Washington and Puget Sound.
- DHP conversion opportunities among manufactured homes.

### Lighting

 26% of region's lamps are EISA exempt, a majority of which are incandescent or halogen lamps.

# Primary Program Opportunities

### Water technologies

Low-flow showerheads opportunities in W. Oregon and W. Washington.

### **Appliances**

• Earlier retirement of aged refrigerators with priorities in rural and suburban regions.

# Thank you!

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