



Energy Conservation at EPA:

Program and Projects

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- EPA How We Do It
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EPA Facilities Overview

National Office Perspective

- EPA has approximately 160 facilities, and 56 large facilities; we house approximately 26,000 people in 9 million square feet of offices and laboratories.

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EPA Facilities Overview



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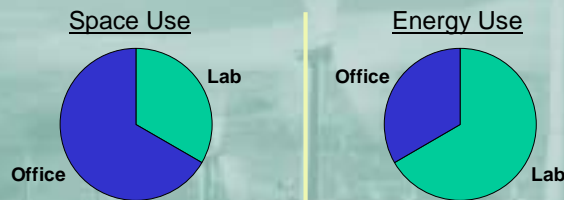


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EPA Facilities Overview

Energy Use in Laboratories vs. Office Buildings

- Laboratories make up ~1/3 of EPA's inventory but use 2/3 of our energy.
 - › Labs have 100% outside air, while offices have recirculated air.
 - › Labs use 3 to 6 times the energy of an office building.



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EPA Facilities Overview

- How EPA acquires its buildings affects how utilities are paid and how energy use concerns are addressed.
- Types of EPA buildings:
 - › EPA owned
 - › EPA leased private buildings
 - › GSA owned and assigned to EPA
 - › GSA leased private buildings

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EPA: How We Do It

National Energy Program

Goal: Make EPA facilities as energy efficient as possible, given real estate interest, budget, and institutional constraints.

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EPA's National Energy Program

Management Approaches

- You Can't Manage What You Don't Measure
 - › Energy data tracking
 - › Identify problems, find opportunities, and set priorities
 - › Energy E-mail
 - Disseminates information
 - Creates peer pressure

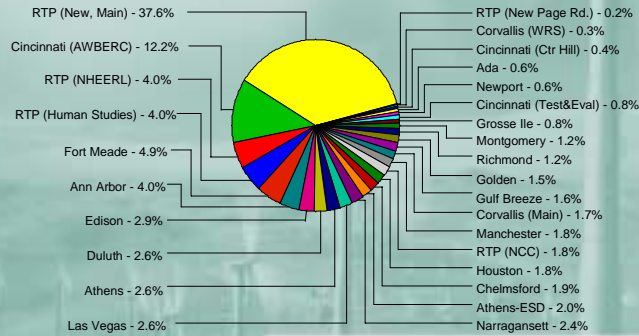
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Share of Total Energy Use

Total BTUs, FY 2005 (Green Power Not Netted Out)

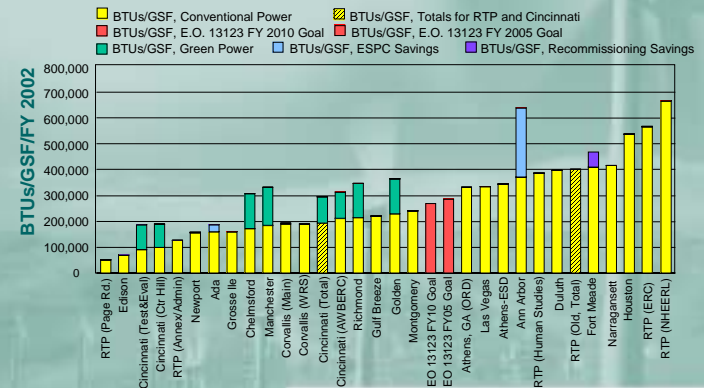


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FY 2002 Energy Intensity Per Lab

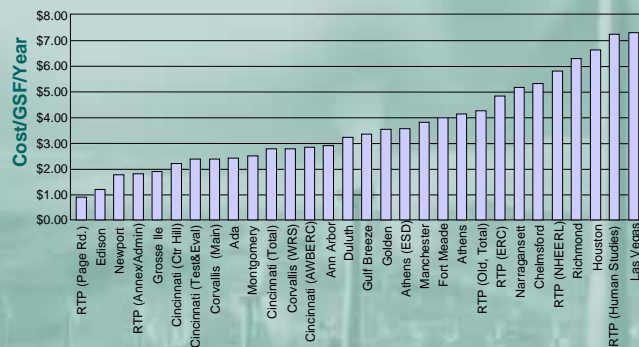


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FY 2002 Energy Cost/GSF/Year



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Management Approaches Continued

- No new dogs in the inventory
 - » EPA works diligently on all new major space procurements to make them energy efficient.
- It's never too early to think about energy efficiency
 - » Type: Build to suit labs or offices, leased spaces, new construction.
 - » Stage: master planning, procurement strategy, A/E selection, design, design review, controls review, energy modeling, construction, and commissioning all affect success.

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Management Approaches Continued

- Institutional/Cultural Change
 - › Better budgeting/priorities setting
 - › Architectural/engineering firms
 - › Master planning
 - › Building and lease standards
 - › Collaborative processes
 - › Staff and management awareness

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Management Approaches Continued

- Can't Do It Alone
 - › We can't do projects without local champions

How EPA Manages Energy

- Energy Reporting
- New Building Review



How EPA Manages Energy

- Energy Auditing—Tiered Approach
 - › Energy Light Audits—every three years
 - › Stage Two Audits
 - › Detailed System Audits

How EPA Manages Energy

- Commissioning, Re-Commissioning, Retro-Commissioning
 - › Most cost-effective energy investment
 - › Fort Meade cost \$75-100K; saved \$150K annually in energy costs
 - › Absolutely for new buildings
 - › Re-commissioning prevents building performance creep
 - › Retro-commissioning commissions buildings that were never commissioned (e.g. Chapel Hill and NHEERL North Carolina)



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How EPA Manages Energy

- Mechanical Engineering Design and Construction—Conventional
 - › These are long term projects, typically 2 to 4 years
- Energy Savings Performance Contracts
 - › Ann Arbor, Michigan
 - › Ada, Oklahoma



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How EPA Manages Energy

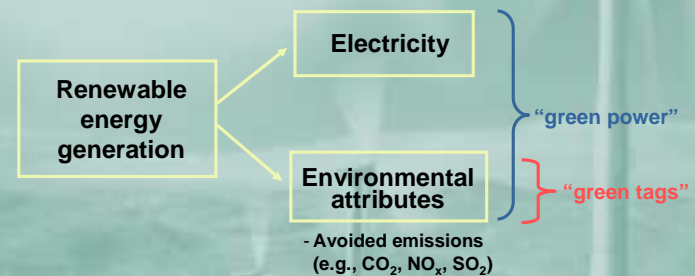
- Green Power Procurement
 - › Short term solution for our EO goals.
 - › Right thing to do.
 - › Green Power does cost a little more, generally.
 - › We are not sophisticated enough yet to actively use it to stabilize our energy bills.
 - › Examples: *Richmond, Golden, Chelmsford, Cincinnati, Manchester, Houston, RTP (at 40%), Edison, Kansas City Science & Technology Center, Narragansett, Fort Meade.*

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Green Power vs. Green Tags



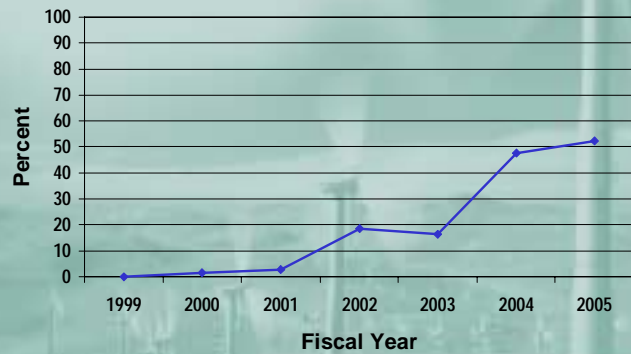
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Green Power as a Percentage of Total Reportable Energy Use



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How EPA Manages Energy

- ENERGY STAR Office Buildings
- Message Projects
 - » Send message—photovoltaics and other solar projects rarely pay for themselves.
 - » GM Fuel Cell—HQ



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