MULTIFAMILY PASSIVE BUILDINGS: EVALUATION OF MEASURED PERFORMANCE

FUTURE WORLDWIDE TRANSITION



PASSIVE HOUSE US DATABASE



PHIUS CERTIFIED PROJECTS



PHIUS+ TRENDS FOR 2017

Source: www.phius.org



95% of total certified and pre-certified passive building construction in NA

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NY STATE AND CITY SQFT OCTOBER 2016 PHIUS+ PROJECTS



410,000 SQ FT TOTAL DOCUMENTED SUBMISSIONS © 2017 PHIUS

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PASSIVE HOUSE FOR MULTIFAMILY BUILDINGS

WHOLE BUILDING ENERGY BALANCE



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TERMINOLOGY

Demands, Peaks, Site & Primary Energy

Annual Demand [kBTU/yr.ft²]: Space conditioning energy consumed over the course of the year, delivered by the equipment to the space.

Peak Load [BTU/hr.ft²]: Space conditioning requirement during the peak climate conditions (average over the worst 24 hours). Determines the size of the mechanical system.

Site Energy [kWh/person.yr] OR [kBTU/yr.ft²]: Total energy

consumed over the course of the year, including space conditioning, hot water, plug loads, lighting, appliances, systems, etc. (Excludes electrical vehicle charging energy, and ligthing energy specific to vehicle parking areas) *No requirement for PHIUS+ Certification

Source (Primary) Energy [kWh/person.yr] OR [kBTU/yr.ft²]:

Site energy as described above, multiplied by the source/primary energy factor for the specific fuel type used.

Ex: Electricity has a PE factor of 3.16 kWh/kWh (generation at the source vs use on site)

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PASSIVHAUS CRITERIA

Primary Energy	kBTU/ft²/yr	38	
Airtightness	ACH ₅₀	0.6	
Annual Heat Demand Annual Cooling Demand	kBTU/ft ² /yr	4.75 (+ allowance for latent)	
Peak Heat Load Peak Cooling Load	BTU/ft ² .hr	3.14 2.54	
Ventilation	% efficiency W/cfm	75% ≤ 0.76	
Thermal Envelope	nr. m ғ/вто BTU/hr. ft ² °F	≤ N-30.3 ≤ U-0.026	
Thermal Bridge Free	BTU/ hr. ft °F	$\Psi \leq 0.006$	
Windows Installed	BTU/hr. ft ² °F	Uw-install≤0.15	
SHGC	%	≈ 0.50 - 0.55	

PHIUS+2015: CLIMATE SPECIFIC DESIGN

I. Only Heating (very HHD) 2. Only Heating (HHD) 3. Only Heating (MHD+LHD) 4. Heating and Cooling (very HHD+LCD 5. Heating and Cooling (HHD+MCD) 6. Heating and Cooling (HHD+LCD) 7. Heating and Cooling (MHD+MCD). 8. Heating and Cooling (MHD+LCD) 9. Heating and Cooling (LHD+MCD) 10. Heating and Cooling (LHD+LCD) 11. Only Cooling (very HCD) 12. Only Cooling (HCD) 13. Only Cooling (LCD+MCD) 14. Cooling and Dehum (very HCD) 15. Cooling and Dehum (HCD) 16. Cooling and Dehum (LCD+MCD) 17. Heating Cooling Dehum

Graph Courtesy of Global Buildings Performance Network

PHIUS+ 2015 PASSIVE BUILDING CRITERIA

Primary Energy	kBTU/ft ² /yr	(Bedrooms+1 * (6200 kWh *3.412 kBTU/kWh))/iCFA
Airtightness	cfm/ft ²	0.05 cfm/gross ft ² shell @ 50 pa 0.08 cfm/gross ft ² shell @ 75 pa
Annual Heat Demand Annual Cooling Demand	kBTU/ft ² /yr	1.0 - 12.0 1.0 - 21.4
Peak Heat Load Peak Cooling Load	BTU/ft ² .hr	0.8 - 5.4 1.8 - 8.9

Ventilation	% efficiency	53% - 95%
venniunon	W/cfm	0.27 - 2.23
Thormal Envolopo	hr.ft ² °F/BTU	≈ R-25 - R-80
Thermal En∨elope	BTU/hr.ft ² °F	≈ U-0.04 - U-0.0125
Thermal Bridge Free	BTU/ hr. ft °F	$\Psi \leq 0.006$
Windows Installed	BTU/hr. ft ² °F	Uw-install 0.41 - 0.08
SHGC	%	≈ 0.27 - 0.61

NEW STANDARDS IDENTIFY US ECONOMIC OPTIMUM TAKING PV COST INTO ACCOUNT



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CLIMATE SPECIFIC METRICS

PASSIVE STANDARDS IN VARYING CLIMATES



← Houston

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ASHRAE 2013 & Global Solar Radiation Location

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DW Hooks

Zone

2A

2.1

Annual heating demand kBtu/sf-iCFA.yr

Annual cooling demand kBtu/sf-iCFA.yr 13.3

Peak heating load Btu/sf-iCFA.h

3

Peak cooling load Btu/sf-iCFA.h

6

8.6

Manual J Peak cooling load Btu/sf-iCFA.h

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New York City

NY

ASHRAE 2013 & Global Solar Radiation Location

(La Guardia)

Zone

4A

Annual heating demand kBtu/sf-iCFA.yr

4.3

Annual cooling demand kBtu/sf-iCFA.yr

4.9

Peak heating load Btu/sf-iCFA.h

3.9

Peak cooling load Btu/sf-iCFA.h

4.5

Manual J Peak cooling load Btu/sf-iCFA.h

AWARE

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA DIFFERENCES Annual Demand, Peak, Source & Air-tightness

PHI CERTIFICATION – does not require US industry standards

• One annual demand target for space conditioning for all climates with an additinoal allowance for dehumidification based on climate

- Targets not cost-optimized by location
- No mandatory climate specific peak load target to assure thermal comfort
- Source energy target per square foot for residential and commercial & PER based on German conversion factors
- Air-tightness measured relative to building volume
- Standard applied to residential and commercial, separate & less stringent standard for retrofit projects

PHIUS+2015 – requires US industry standards (DOE ZERH, ES, Indoor AIR Plus)

- Climate specific annual demand targets for all space conditioning
- Targets cost-optimized by location
- Mandatory peak load targets to assure thermal performance & resilience
- Source energy target per person for residential, square foot for commercial based on US conversion factors
- Air-tightness measured relative to opaque envelope area

• Standard applied to all building types including retrofits with an additional allowance for existing thermal bridging

DOE PERFORMANCE STAIRCASE

						Source Zero Renew- able Energy System
					Balanced Ventilation HRV/ERV	Balanced Ventilation HRV/ERV
				SOLAR READY Depends on climate	SOLAR READY ALWAYS	SOLAR READY ALWAYS
				Eff. Comps. & H2O Distrib	Eff. Comps. & H₂O Distrib	Eff. Comps. & H ₂ O Distrib
				Air Pacakge	Air Pacakge	Air Pacakge
				Ducts in Condit, Space	Ducts in Condit. Space	Ducts in Condit. Space
		HVAC QI w/WHV	HVAC QI w/WHV	HVAC QI w/WHV	Micro-Ioad HVAC QI	Micro-load HVAC QI
		Water Management	Water Management	Water Management	Water Management	Water Management
		Independent Verification	Independent Verification	Independent Verification	Independent Verification	Independent Verification
IECC 2009 Enclosure	IECC 2012 Enclosure	IECC 2009 Enclosure	IECC 2012 Enclosure	IECC 2012/15 Encl./ES Win.	Ultra-Efficient Enclosure	Ultra-Efficient Enclosure
HERS 85-90	HERS 70-80	HERS 65-75	HERS 55-65	HERS 48-55	HERS 35-45	HERS < 0
IECC 2009	IECC 2012	ENERGY STAR v3	ENERGY STAR v3.1	ZERO ZERH	PHUS PHIUS+	C PHIUS+ SourceZero

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CERTIFICATION PROTOCOL DIFFERENCES Internal Gains, TFA and iCFA, Occupancy & MELs

PHI –

- Unrealistically low internal gain default assumptions
- Treated Floor Area (TFA) energy reference area – EUIs are not directly comparable!
- Occupancy assumption by fixed square foot per person
- Different MEL and lighting assumptions
- Source EUI based on German conversion factors – not directly comparable!

PHIUS+2015 -

- 80% of RESNET internal gain assumptions
- Interior conditioned floor area (iCFA) energy reference area – EUIs are not directly comparable!
- Occupancy calculated bedrooms +1
- Different MEL and lighting assumptions
- Source EUI based on US conversion factors not directly comparable!

Three Case Studies







	Uptown Lofts	Knickerbocker Commons	Orchards at Orenco Phase 1
Location	Pittsburgh, PA	Brooklyn, NY	Hillsboro, OR
Square Footage (iCFA)	2,3994 ft ²	31,903 ft ²	48,035 ft ²
Number of Units	24	24	57
Modeled Occupancy	27 (PHIUS+) 48 (PHIUS+ 2015)	72 (PHIUS+) 72 (PHIUS+ 2015)	113 (PHIUS+) 131 (PHIUS+ 2015)
PHIUS+ Project #	1188	1274	1203

Three Case Studies



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Climate Zone	4A	4A	4C
Location	Pittsburgh, PA	Brooklyn, NY	Hillsboro, OR
*Annual Heating demand target (kBtu/sf)	4.5	4.6	5.1
*Annual Cooling demand target (kBtu/sf)	5.4	3.9	1
*Peak Heating load (Btu/sf)	4.2	3.9	3.7
*Peak Cooling load (Btu/sf)	4.7	4.2	3.9

*PHIUS+ 2015 Climate Specific Targets

Uptown Lofts



Things to keep in mind

- Site Energy analyzed
- All electricity monitored together (includes all HVAC, hot water usage, lighting and MELs)
- Heat pumps (heating/cooling) in apartments
- Direct Electric baseboards in stairs
- HRV
- Direct Electric WH