

TECHNICAL ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS

OPEN STUDIO _ BUILDING SIMULATION PROJECT

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INTRODUCTION

The architect has many things to consider when designing or choosing materials for their buildings. One criteria to take into consideration is the energy consumption, and how material choice can effect the outcome. In this assignment, we will analyze the energy performance of a building in relation with its condition system (heating and cooling), interior equipment and interior lighting. Our methodology of completing this analysis will include the use of SkethUp, Openstudio, and Energy plus.

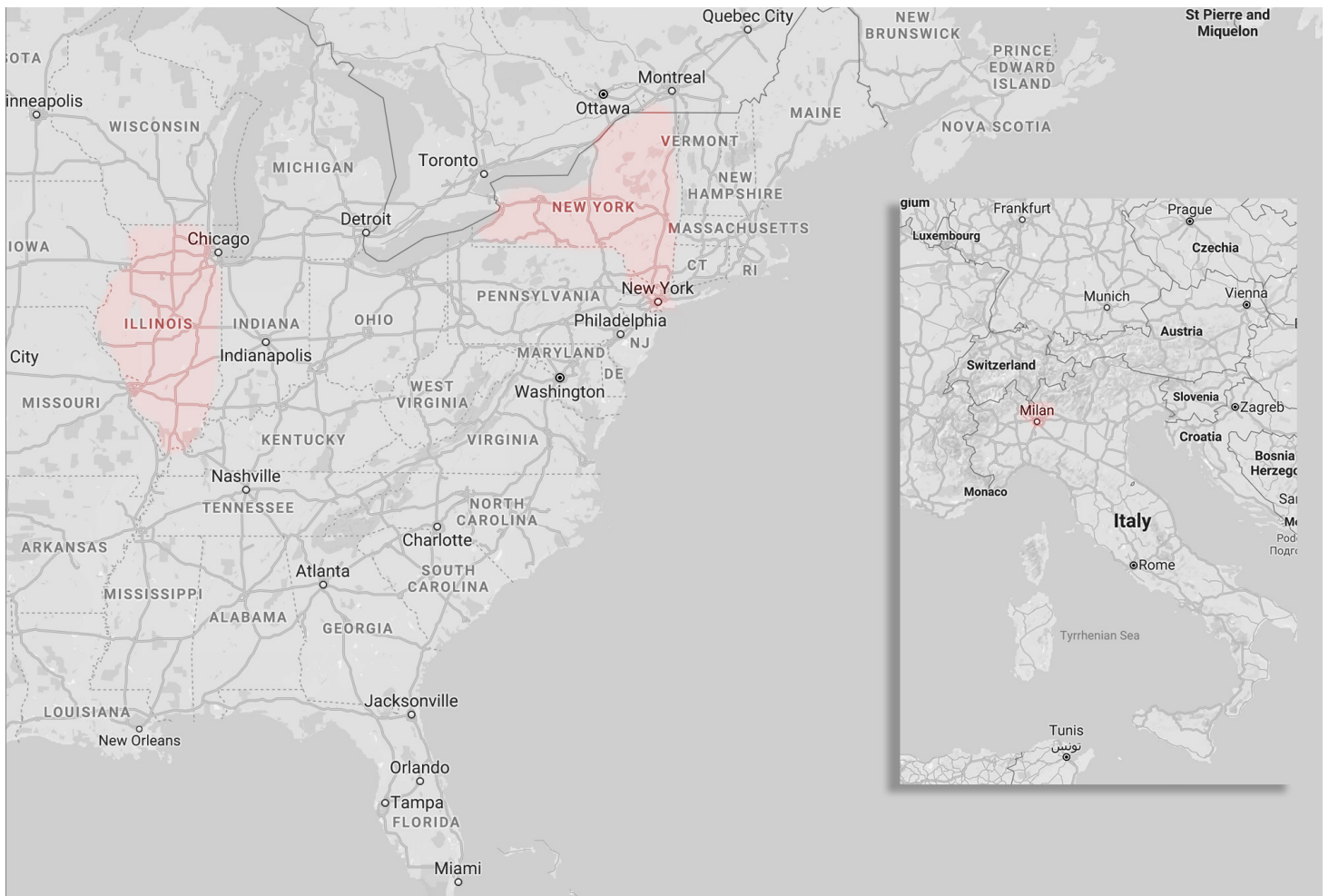
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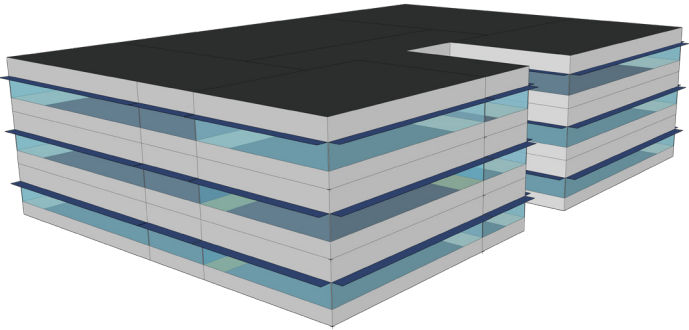
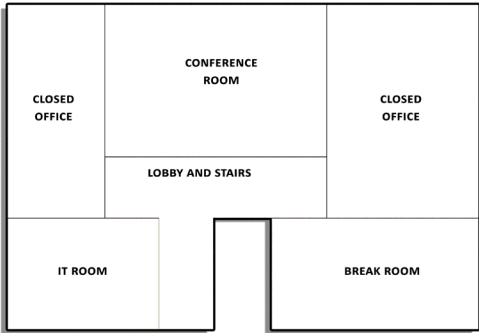
First we designed a simple building with a wide lobby and large conference room space. With Openstudio, we determined 5 thermal zones and applied it to our building in the following locations: New York, Chicago, and Milano. Next, we determined the settings for the external walls, roofs, and for the windows. The wall components are one layer of stucco, 20 cm of concrete wall, a 25 cm wall insulation and a 1/2 inch gypsum panel. For the windows, a 05 mm glass is used. Lastly, the roof is conformed by a membrane of metal decking and roof insulation at 30 cm.

RESULTS

We will be comparing the wall, stucco, concrete, wall insulation and the gypsum panel in each of the cities decided. Then, we will take New York City as a case study and change one wall component to see how it reacts in order to improve energy performance of the building.

CITIES MAP



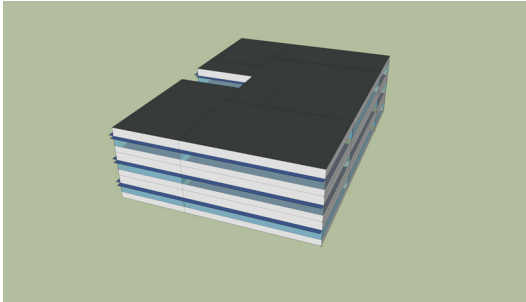


Space Type Breakdown - view table

Space Type Name	Floor Area (ft^2)	Standards Building Type	Standards Space Type
189.1-2009 - Office - BreakRoom - CZ1-3	4.045	Office	BreakRoom
189.1-2009 - Office - ClosedOffice - CZ1-3	9.301	Office	ClosedOffice
189.1-2009 - Office - Conference - CZ1-3	5.956	Office	Conference
189.1-2009 - Office - IT_Room - CZ1-3	2.959	Office	IT_Room
189.1-2009 - Office - Lobby - CZ1-3	3.436	Office	Lobby

Building Summary

Data	Value
Building Name	Building 1
Total Site Energy	2,058,564 kBtu
Total Building Area	25,697 ft^2
Total Site EUI	80.11 kBtu/ft^2
OpenStudio Standards Building Type	n/a

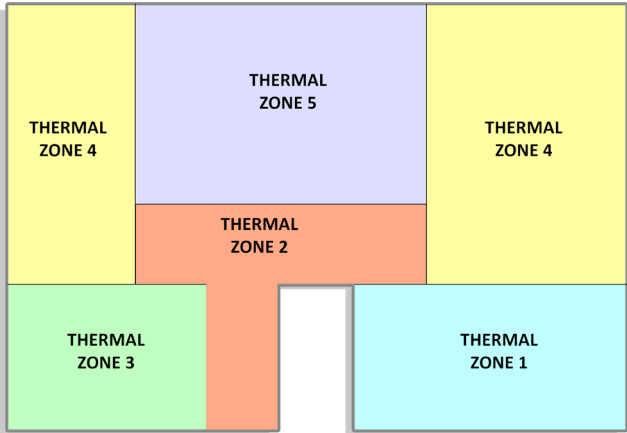


Window-to-Wall and Skylight-to-Roof area Ratios

Description	Total (%)	North (%)	East (%)	South (%)	West (%)
Gross Window-Wall Ratio	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
Gross Window-Wall Ratio (Conditioned)	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0
Skylight-Roof Ratio	0.0				

Site and Source Energy

	Total Energy (kBtu)	Energy Per Total Building Area (kBtu/ft^2)	Energy Per Conditioned Building Area (kBtu/ft^2)
Total Site Energy	2058563.9	80.1	80.1
Net Site Energy	2058563.9	80.1	80.1
Total Source Energy	6203311.3	241.4	241.4
Net Source Energy	6203311.3	241.4	241.4



Electric Plug Load Consumption

	Electricity Annual Value (kWh)
InteriorEquipment Electricity:Zone:THERMAL ZONE 1	85447.22
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InteriorEquipment Electricity:Zone:THERMAL ZONE 2	1138.89

Zone Lighting

Lights	Zone	Lighting Power Density (W/ft^2)	Total Power (W)	Schedule Name	Scheduled Hours/Week (hr)	Actual Load Hours/Week (hr)	Return Air Fraction	Annual Consumption (kWh)
THERMAL ZONE 1 189.1-2009 - OFFICE - BREAKROOM - CZ1-3 LIGHTS	THERMAL ZONE 1	1.08	4368.39	OFFICE BLDG LIGHT	61.85	61.85	0.0000	14088.89
THERMAL ZONE 4 189.1-2009 - OFFICE - CLOSED OFFICE - CZ1-3 LIGHTS	THERMAL ZONE 4	0.99	9208.07	OFFICE BLDG LIGHT	61.85	61.85	0.0000	29697.22
THERMAL ZONE 5 189.1-2009 - OFFICE - CONFERENCE - CZ1-3 LIGHTS	THERMAL ZONE 5	1.17	6968.45	OFFICE BLDG LIGHT	61.85	61.85	0.0000	22475.0
THERMAL ZONE 3 189.1-2009 - OFFICE - IT_ROOM - CZ1-3 LIGHTS	THERMAL ZONE 3	0.99	2928.94	OFFICE BLDG LIGHT	61.85	61.85	0.0000	9447.22
THERMAL ZONE 2 189.1-2009 - OFFICE - LOBBY - CZ1-3 LIGHTS	THERMAL ZONE 2	1.17	4020.49	OFFICE BLDG LIGHT	61.85	61.85	0.0000	12966.67

SIMULATION OF BUILDING IN MILANO, ITALY

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Weather Summary

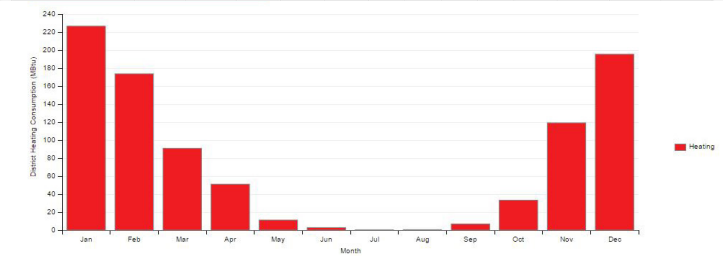
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ASHRAE Climate Zone	

Sizing Period Design Days

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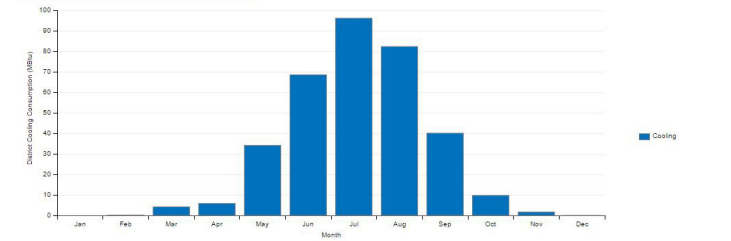
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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Heating	226.56	173.61	90.94	51.07	11.22	2.84	0.28	0.5	6.87	33.26	119.14	195.37	911.66
Cooling													



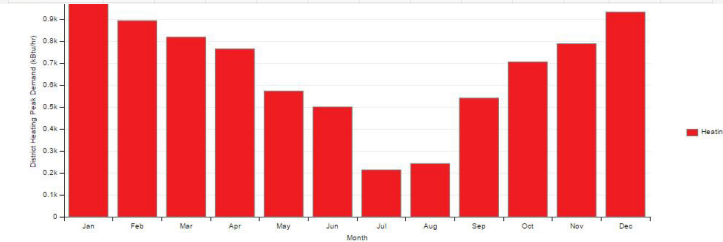
District Cooling Consumption (MBtu) - view table

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Heating													
Cooling		0.12	4.15	5.8	34.09	68.54	95.07	82.29	40.05	9.72	1.65	0.0	342.47



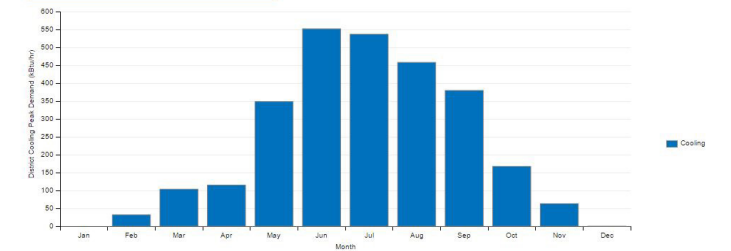
District Heating Peak Demand (MBtu/hr) - view table

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Heating	994.5193	892.7594	817.7695	764.0387	572.2032	499.9884	213.3073	242.3888	540.2982	704.729	787.6992	931.9952
Cooling												



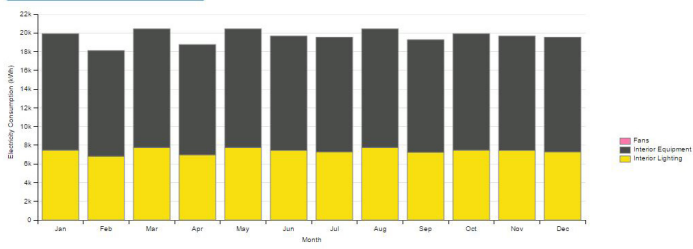
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Heating												
Cooling	31.9026	103.5514	114.9949	348.302	551.7187	536.4532	457.8505	379.567	167.2496	62.9026	0.0386	



SIMULATION OF BUILDING IN *MILANO, ITALY*

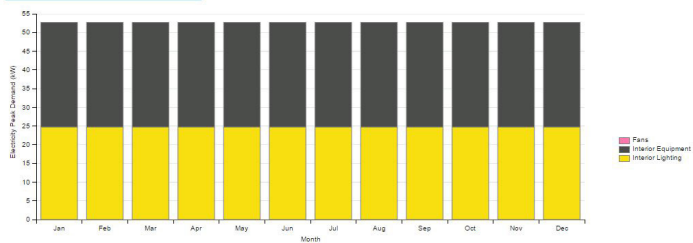
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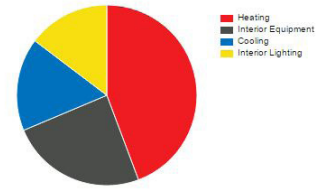
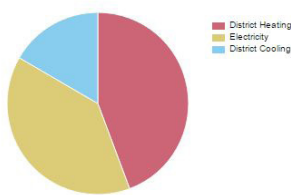
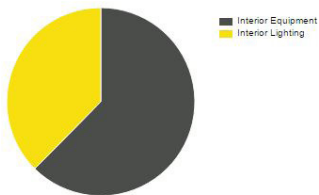
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Heating													
Cooling													
Interior Lighting	7472.97	6818.58	7750.67	6969.81	7750.67	7439.97	7280.5	7750.67	7247.5	7472.97	7439.97	7280.5	88674.78
Exterior Lighting													
Interior Equipment	12451.86	11296.75	12694.08	11792.03	12694.08	12228.31	12257.81	12694.08	12034.22	12451.86	12228.31	12257.81	147081.19
Exterior Equipment													
Fans													
Pumps													
Heat Rejection													
Humidification													
Heat Recovery													
Water Systems													
Refrigeration													
Generators													
Total	19924.83	18115.33	20444.75	18761.83	20444.75	19658.28	19538.31	20444.75	19291.72	19924.83	19658.28	19538.31	235755.97

Electricity Peak Demand (kW) - view table



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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Heating												
Cooling												
Interior Lighting	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449
Exterior Lighting												
Interior Equipment	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469
Exterior Equipment												
Fans												
Pumps												
Heat Rejection												
Humidification												
Heat Recovery												
Water Systems												
Refrigeration												
Generators												
Total	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69



End Use	Consumption (kWh)
Heating	0
Cooling	0
Interior Lighting	88674.78
Exterior Lighting	0
Interior Equipment	147081.19
Exterior Equipment	0
Fans	0
Pumps	0
Heat Rejection	0
Humidification	0
Heat Recovery	0
Water Systems	0
Refrigeration	0
Generators	0

Fuel	Consumption (kWh)
District Heating	911.66
District Cooling	342.47
Electricity	235755.97
Additional Fuel	0
Other Cooling	0
District Heating	911.66

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Pumps	0
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Water Systems	0
Refrigeration	0
Generators	0

RESULTS

In the city of Milano, the building wall composition tested resulted in the total District Heating Consumption being read as 911.66 MBtu, while the District Cooling Consumption was 342.47 MBtu. Regarding the District Heating peak demand, the need is highest in the months of January and December - the demand in January being 994.5193 kBtu/hr and in December the demand is 931.9952 kBtu/hr. Relating to the District Cooling Peak demand periods, the highest demands exist in the months of June at 551.7187 kBtu/hr, July at 536.4631 kBtu/hr, and August at 457.855 kBtu/hr. The electricity consumption, relating to interior lighting was calculated as 88674.78 kWh. The consumption relating to interior equipment was calculated as 147081.19 kWh. The electricity demand in terms of interior lighting and equipment was the same in each month. At the end, it is discovered with the walls of the building containing the material of stucco, concrete, wall insulation at 25 cm, and gypsum, heating consumption exceeds the cooling consumption and interior lighting consumes less electricity than the interior equipment.

SIMULATION OF BUILDING IN *CHICAGO, US*

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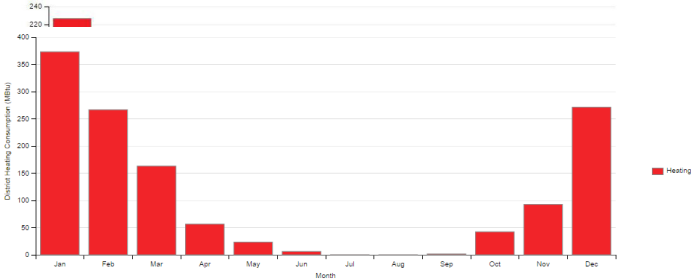
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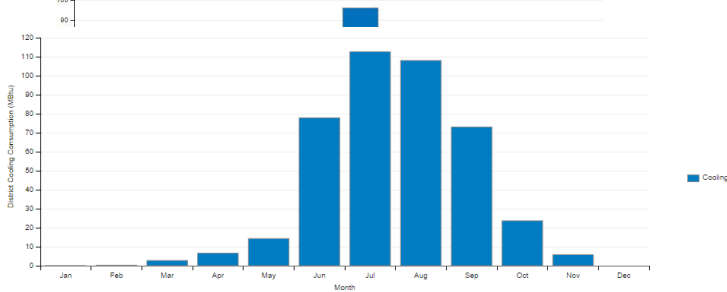
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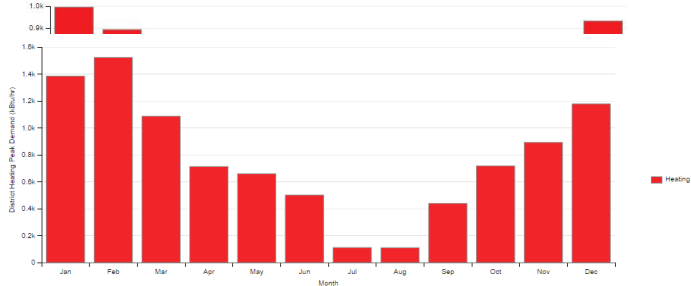
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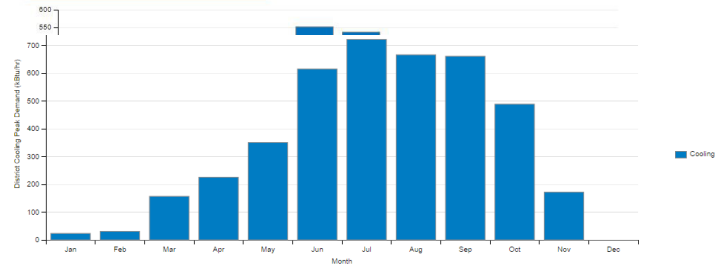
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District Heating Peak Demand (kBtu/hr) - view table



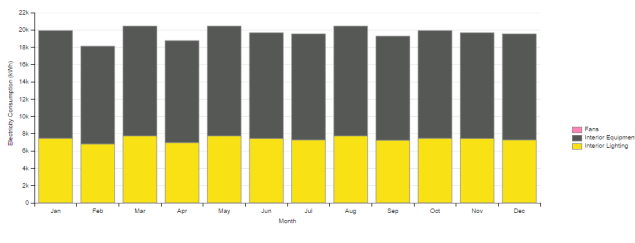
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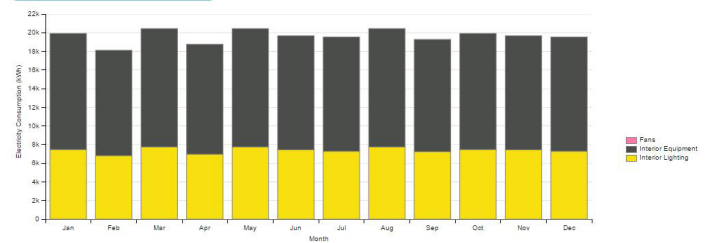
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Monthly Overview

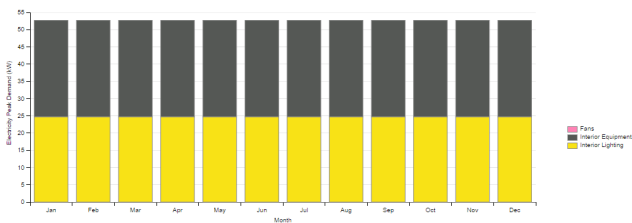
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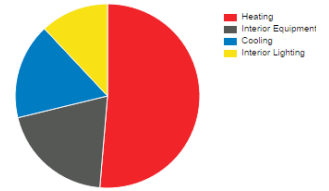
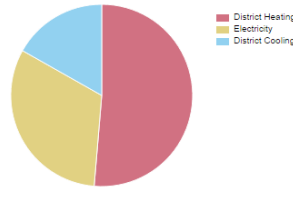
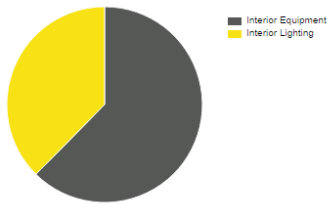
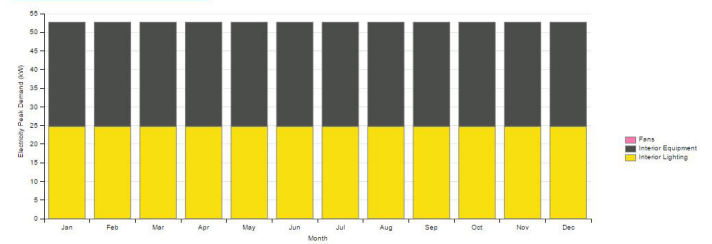
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Cooling	0
Electric Lighting	0
Interior Equipment	0
Interior Lighting	0
Fans	0
Heat Recovery	0
Heat Exchanger	0
Heat Storage	0
Heat Transfer	0
Heat Ventilation	0
Heat Distribution	0

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RESULTS

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SIMULATION OF BUILDING IN NEW YORK CITY, US

CASE A

New York City is located in the southeastern part of New York, which located in the northeastern United States of America. It has a latitude of 40.71 N and a longitude of 74.00 W, with an elevation of 10 m.

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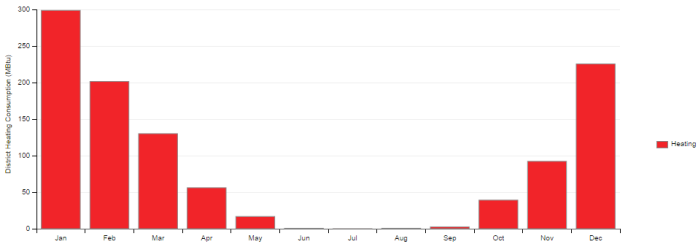
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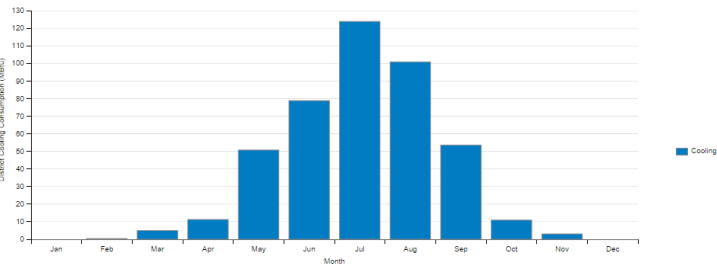
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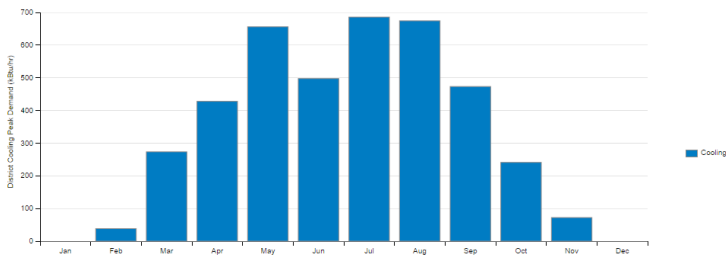
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Cooling												



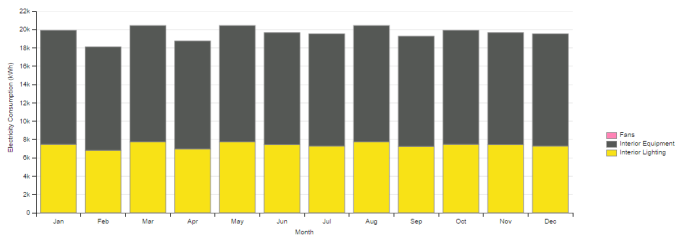
District Cooling Peak Demand (MMBtu/hr) - view table

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Heating												
Cooling		31.9026	103.5514	114.9949	348.302	551.7167	536.4532	437.8555	379.567	167.2496	62.9026	0.0386



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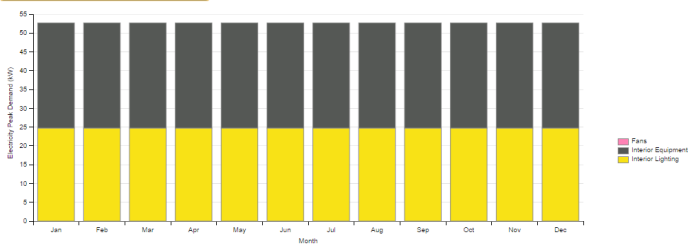
Electricity Consumption (kWh) - view table



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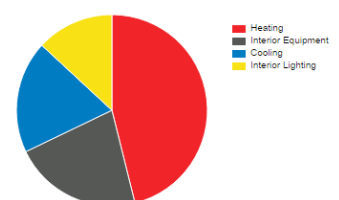
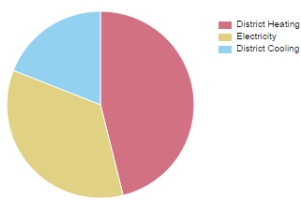
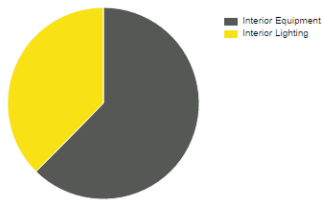
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Heating													
Cooling													
Interior Lighting	7472.97	6818.58	7750.67	6969.81	7750.67	7439.97	7280.5	7750.67	7247.5	7472.97	7439.97	7280.5	88674.78
Exterior Lighting													
Interior Equipment	12451.86	11296.75	12694.08	11792.03	12694.08	12228.31	12267.81	12694.08	12034.22	12451.86	12228.31	12267.81	147081.19
Exterior Equipment													
Fans													
Pumps													
Heat Rejection													
Humidification													
Heat Recovery													
Water Systems													
Refrigeration													
Generators													
Total	19924.83	18115.33	20444.75	18761.83	20444.75	19668.28	19538.31	20444.75	19281.72	19924.83	19668.28	19538.31	235755.97

Electricity Peak Demand (kW) - view table



Electricity Peak Demand (kW) - view table

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Heating												
Cooling												
Interior Lighting	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449	24.7449
Exterior Lighting												
Interior Equipment	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469	27.9469
Exterior Equipment												
Fans												
Pumps												
Heat Rejection												
Humidification												
Heat Recovery												
Water Systems												
Refrigeration												
Generators												
Total	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69



End Use	Consumption (kBtu)
Heating	1063.63
Cooling	438.5
Interior Lighting	88674.78
Exterior Lighting	0
Interior Equipment	147081.19
Exterior Equipment	0
Fans	147081.19
Pumps	0
Heat Rejection	0
Humidification	0
Heat Recovery	0
Water Systems	0
Refrigeration	0
Generators	0

End Use	Consumption (kBtu)
Heating	1063.63
Cooling	438.5
Interior Lighting	88674.78
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Interior Equipment	147081.19
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Fans	147081.19
Pumps	0
Heat Rejection	0
Humidification	0
Heat Recovery	0
Water Systems	0
Refrigeration	0
Generators	0

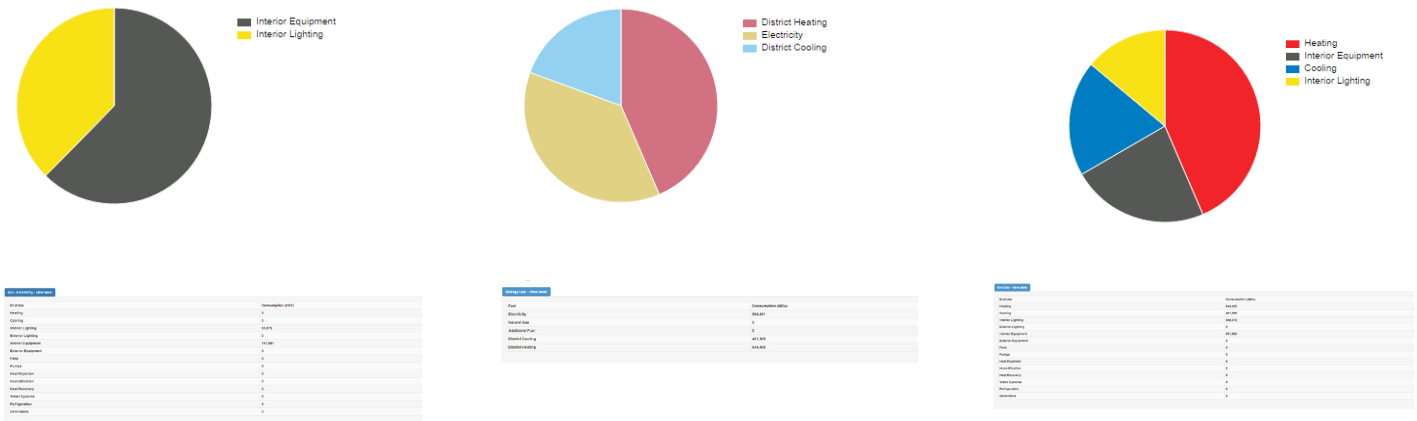
End Use	Consumption (kBtu)
Heating	1063.63
Cooling	438.5
Interior Lighting	88674.78
Exterior Lighting	0
Interior Equipment	147081.19
Exterior Equipment	0
Fans	147081.19
Pumps	0
Heat Rejection	0
Humidification	0
Heat Recovery	0
Water Systems	0
Refrigeration	0
Generators	0

RESULTS

In the New York City, the building wall composition tested resulted in the total District Heating Consumption being read as 1063.63 MBtu, while the District Cooling Consumption was 438.5 MBtu. Regarding the District Heating peak demand, the need is highest in the months of January, February, and March- the demand in January being 1276.8195 kBtu/hr, in February the demand is 1151.2469 kBtu/hr, and in March the demand is 112.6902 kBtu/hr. The District Cooling Peak Demand periods are highest in the months of May, July, and August. May was calculated at 656.1022 kBtu/hr, July with 685.8459 kBtu/hr, and August at 674.4015 kBtu/hr. The electricity consumption, relating to interior lighting and interior equipment was calculated the same as in Milano, because the inside of the building was not effected by location change. Likewise, the electricity demand in terms of interior lighting and equipment was the same in each month. At the end, it can be seen that places the building in Chicago produced higher heating and cooling consumptions of MBtu and higher heating and cooling demands of kBtu/hr relating to Milano, but can closely be compared to Chicago.

SIMULATION OF BUILDING IN NEW YORK CITY, US**CASE B**

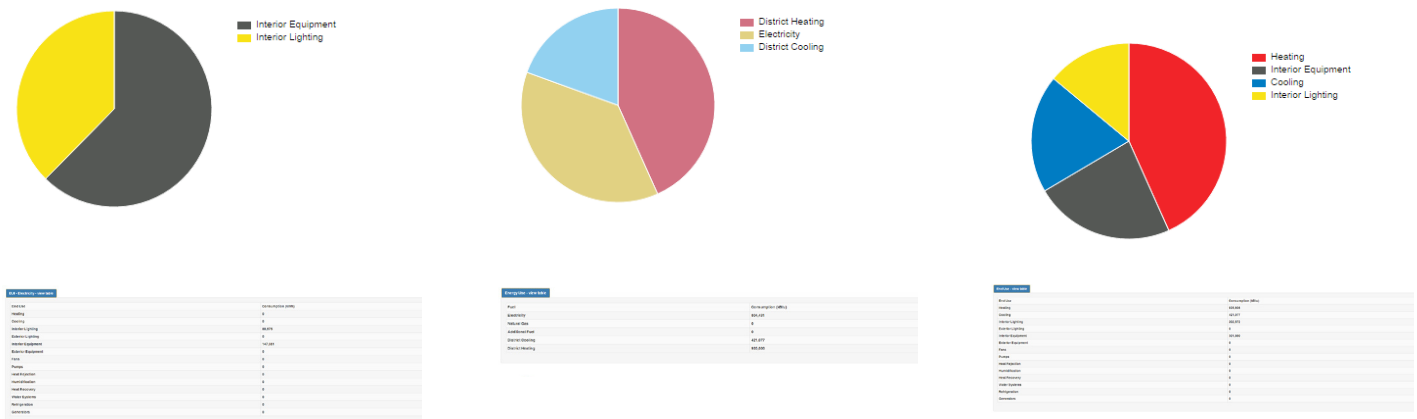
Change of wall insulation from 25 cm to 31 cm.

**RESULTS**

With the change of a thicker wall insulation, the building performance in New York City changed from the District Heating Consumption of 1063.63 MBtu to 944.405 MBtu, while the District Cooling Consumption changed from 438.5 MBtu to 421.305 MBtu. This means that by increasing the thickness of the wall insulation, the energy performance of the building improved considering the heating and cooling consumption lowered in needed months.

SIMULATION OF BUILDING IN NEW YORK CITY, US**CASE C**

Change of wall insulation from 25 cm to 37 cm.

**RESULTS**

With the change of an even thicker wall insulation, the building performance in New York City changed from the District Heating Consumption of 944.405 MBtu to 935.808 MBtu, while the District Cooling Consumption changed from 438.5 MBtu to 421.305 MBtu to 421.077 MBtu. Although the change was not as drastic as the 25 cm to 31 cm wall insulation, there was still a decrease in both heating and cooling consumption by an increase in thickness to 37 cm of wall insulation.

CONCLUSION

In the first calculation of the city of Milano, it can be deduced that energy use for heating is larger than the consumption used for cooling. Next, it can be understood that altitude and proximity to the sea effects the energy consumption of a building. For instance, with the comparison of New York City - a coastal city, and Milano, the total energy consumption is greater. In relation to the change of wall insulation thickness, Cases B and Case C, expose New York City to have a reduction in heat energy consumption because of a wider wall insulation. This means the rise in insulation elements also brings better performance in terms of energy consumption for the cooling systems existing in the warmer months. Based on the comparative analysis made in the models of New York City, it can be understood that energy consumption with relation to insulation materials results in lower energy consumption than those without the necessary insulation elements, even if the cooling system were to require more energy. So it can be assumed that the economic cost will be lower because of this energy consumption reduction.