

Weather Normalization

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City: TUCSON
State: Arizona
Zip Code: 85713
Country: United States
Type: Office
Gross Sq.Ft: 13511 Sq. Ft.

Weather station ID: KTUS

For simplicity, using the 65F as heating and cooling break even point for the current calculation, further detailed calculation of the break-even point can be found in this document:

<http://esl.tamu.edu/docs/terp/2003/ESL-PA-03-07-03.pdf>

Using PM (Natural Gas) Modified

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Using 2013 and 2014 gas consumption

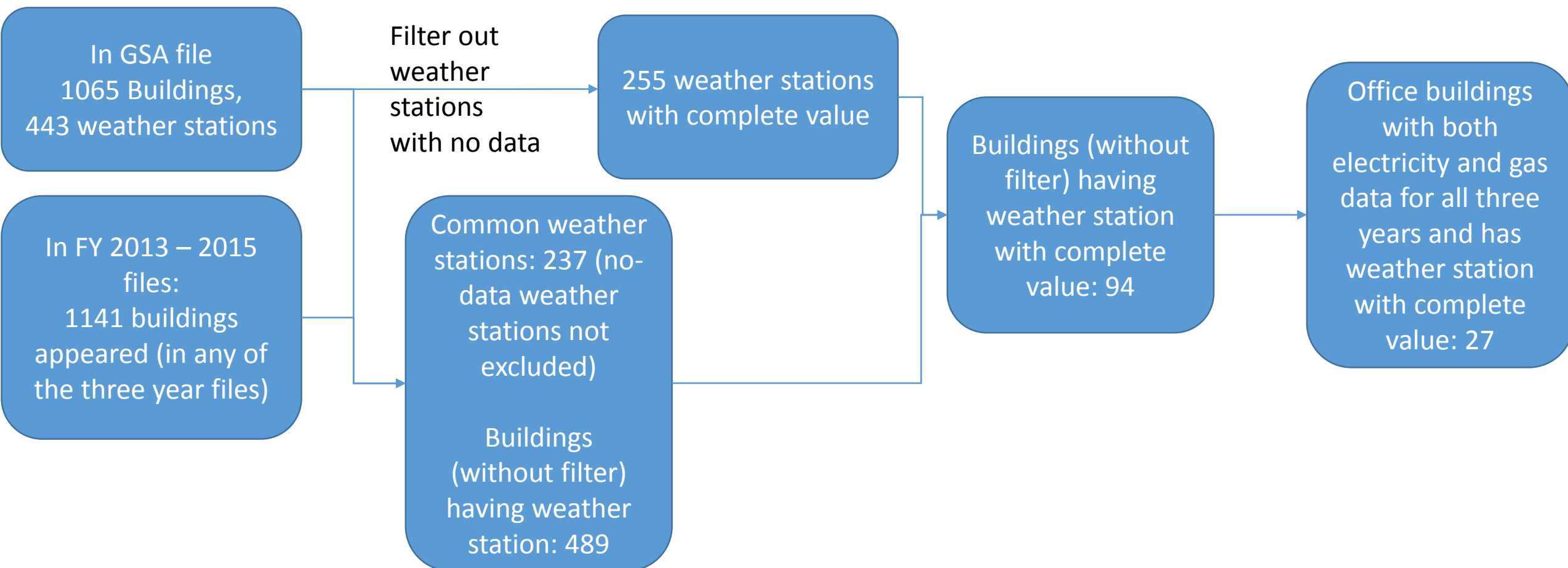


eui_gas	month	year
4.397501	1	2013
3.992371	2	2013
0.574548	3	2013
0.081026	4	2013
0.088392	5	2013
0.088392	6	2013
0.095758	7	2013
0.081026	8	2013
0.088392	9	2013
0.095758	10	2013
0.316738	11	2013
3.543045	12	2013
2.010917	1	2014
1.156462	2	2014
0.228346	3	2014
0.235712	4	2014
0.103124	5	2014
0.096517	6	2014
0.088468	7	2014
0.095758	8	2014
0.088468	9	2014
0.088392	10	2014
0.817626	11	2014
2.430779	12	2014

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Get weather data



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Gas - Temperature Plot

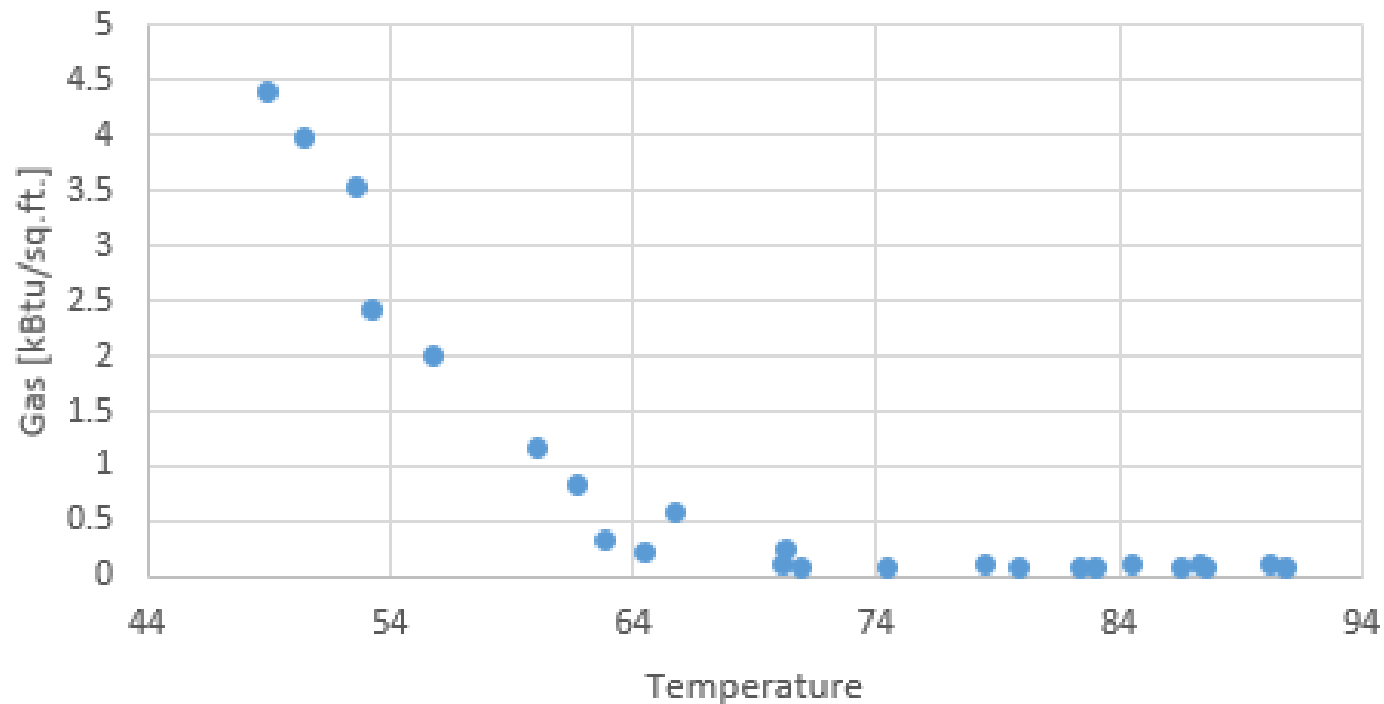
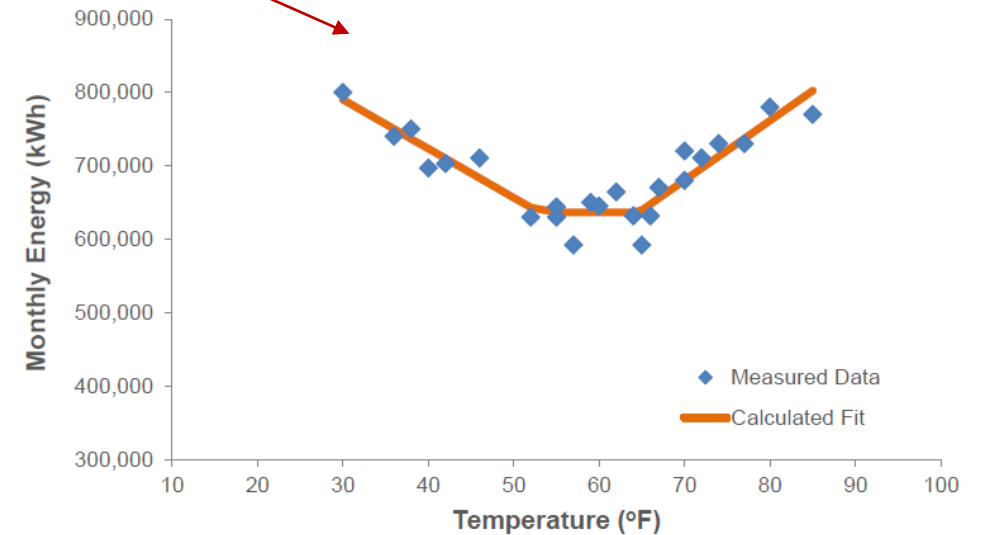
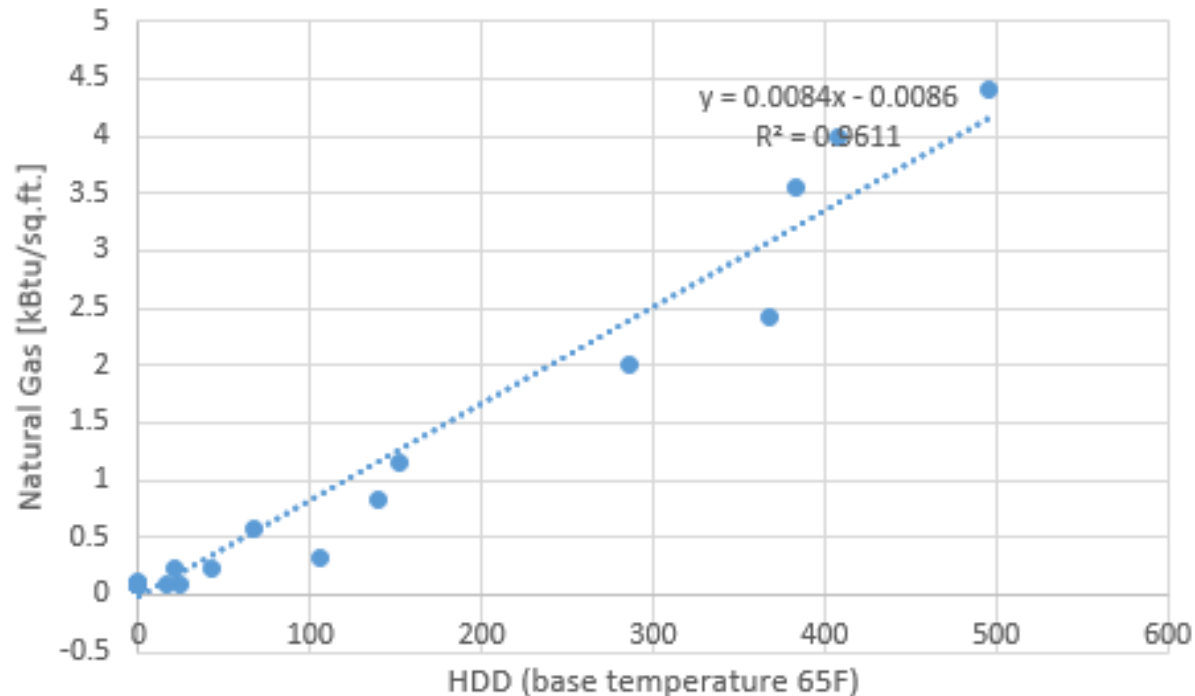


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- For each individual fuel type, a series of linear regressions is performed to determine the equation of the best fit line for the building, based on the solution with the highest correlation (R^2).
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$$y = -0.0084x - 0.0086$$

$$R^2 = 0.9611$$

There was a mis-understanding in the previous version, I should use HDD, not temperature for x in the regression model calculation

KTUS (HDD_base65F)	eui_gas [kBtu/sq.ft]	month	year
496.1168829	4.397500851	1	2013
408.2710199	3.992370957	2	2013
67.49870189	0.57454785	3	2013
23.70471398	0.081025979	4	2013
0	0.088391977	5	2013
0	0.088391977	6	2013
0	0.095757975	7	2013
0	0.081025979	8	2013
0	0.088391977	9	2013
16.91576529	0.095757975	10	2013
105.3421934	0.316737917	11	2013
383.3107218	3.543045074	12	2013
286.3560448	2.010917475	1	2014
152.0582946	1.156461698	2	2014
42.18807968	0.22834594	3	2014
21.50722218	0.235711938	4	2014
0	0.103123973	5	2014
0	0.096517356	6	2014
0	0.088467915	7	2014
0	0.095757975	8	2014
0	0.088467915	9	2014
0	0.088391977	10	2014
139.7070646	0.817625786	11	2014
367.1278752	2.430779365	12	2014

Get the average (normal) climate year temperature of the station:
USW00023160 32.1314 -110.9553 776.9 AZ TUCSON INTL AP 72274 TRADITIONAL

Automating this step of retrieving climate normal needs to convert the 4-character weather station ID to UCDC weather station ID, need to find a lookup table for this

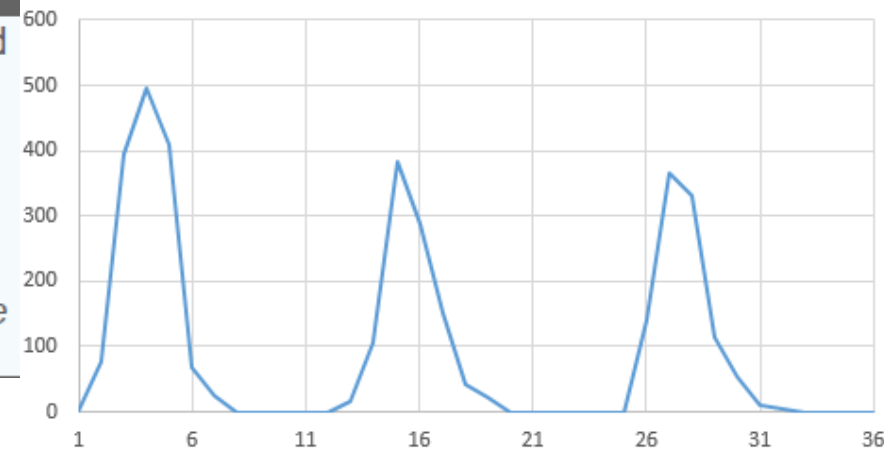
From the ftp retrieve the monthly temperature normal:
<ftp://ftp.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/normals/1981-2010/products/temperature/mly-hddd-normal.txt>

Source: ftp://ftp.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/normals/1981-2010/products/temperature/mly-hddd-normal.txt										unit				
			raw record	USW00023160	383S	273S	179S	60S	5S -7777S	0S	0S -7777S	24S	182C	405C
Month	Temperature	Tag	unit	whole degrees Fahrenheit for heating and cooling degree days (except high precision files while are in hundredths of degrees Fahrenheit).										
Jan	383	S												
Feb	273	S												
Mar	179	S	C	complete (all 30 years used)										
Apr	60	S	S	standard (no more than 5 years missing and no more than 3 consecutive years missing among the sufficiently complete years)										
May	5	S		representative (observed record utilized incomplete, but value was scaled or based on filled values to be representative of the full period of record)										
Jun	-7777	S	R	provisional (at least 10 years used, but not sufficiently complete to be labeled as standard or representative). Also used for parameter values on February 29 as well as for interpolated daily precipitation, snowfall, and snow depth percentiles.										
Jul	0	S		quasi-normal (at least 2 years per month, but not sufficiently complete to be labeled as provisional or any other higher flag code. The associated value was computed using a pseudonormals approach or derived from monthly pseudonormals.										
Aug	0	S	P											
Sep	-7777	S												
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Dec	405	C	Q											

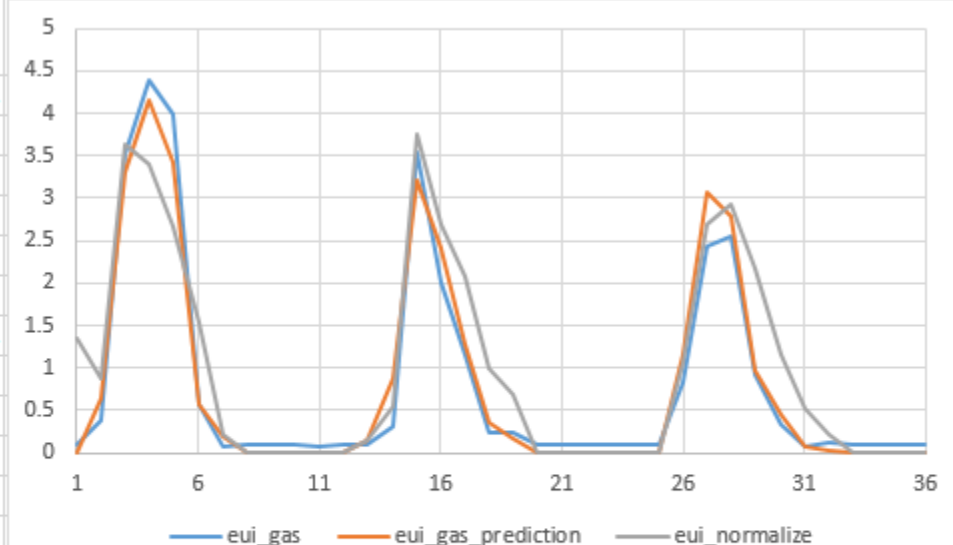
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KTUS (HDD_base65F)



Calculation with equation: $Y = 0.0084x - 0.0086$						eui_normalize = eui_gas x ratio			
eui_gas	month	year	KTUS (HDD_base65F)	eui_gas_prediction	HDD normal	eui_gas_norm_prediction	ratio = eui_gas_norm_prediction / eui_gas_norm_prediction	eui_normalize	
0.088392	10	2012	2.536249638	0.012704497	24	0.193	15.19147123	1.342804174	
0.3683	11	2012	77.73789517	0.644398319	182	1.5202	2.359099883	0.86885626	
3.522846	12	2012	393.238232	3.294601149	405	3.3934	1.029988107	3.628489002	
4.397501	1	2013	496.1168829	4.158781816	383	3.2086	0.771524004	3.392777466	
3.992371	2	2013	408.2710199	3.420876567	273	2.2846	0.667840524	2.666267113	
0.574548	3	2013	67.49870189	0.558389096	179	1.495	2.677344545	1.538262552	
0.081026	4	2013	23.70471398	0.190519597	60	0.4954	2.600257436	0.210688404	
0.088392	5	2013	0	0	5	0.0334	0	0	
0.088392	6	2013	0	0	0	0	0	0	
0.095758	7	2013	0	0	0	0	0	0	
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0.095758	10	2013	16.91576529	0.133492428	24	0.193	1.445774883	0.138444475	
0.316738	11	2013	105.3421934	0.876274425	182	1.5202	1.734844652	0.549491082	
3.543045	12	2013	383.3107218	3.211210063	405	3.3934	1.056735602	3.744061871	
2.010917	1	2014	286.3560448	2.396790776	383	3.2086	1.338706754	2.692028805	
1.156462	2	2014	152.0582946	1.268689675	273	2.2846	1.800755571	2.082504845	
0.228346	3	2014	42.18807968	0.345779869	179	1.495	4.323559967	0.987267366	



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eui_elec [kBtu/sq.ft]	month	year
2.606160906	1	2013
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2.808188883	3	2013
3.212244838	4	2013
4.767860262	5	2013
6.242664496	6	2013
5.596174969	7	2013
5.778000148	8	2013
4.727454667	9	2013
2.606160906	10	2013
2.48494412	11	2013
2.404132929	12	2013
2.222307749	1	2014
2.020279772	2	2014
1.899062986	3	2014
2.889000074	4	2014
3.979951151	5	2014
5.980028125	6	2014
6.121447709	7	2014
5.858811339	8	2014
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3.232447635	10	2014
2.525349715	11	2014
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electricity - temperature

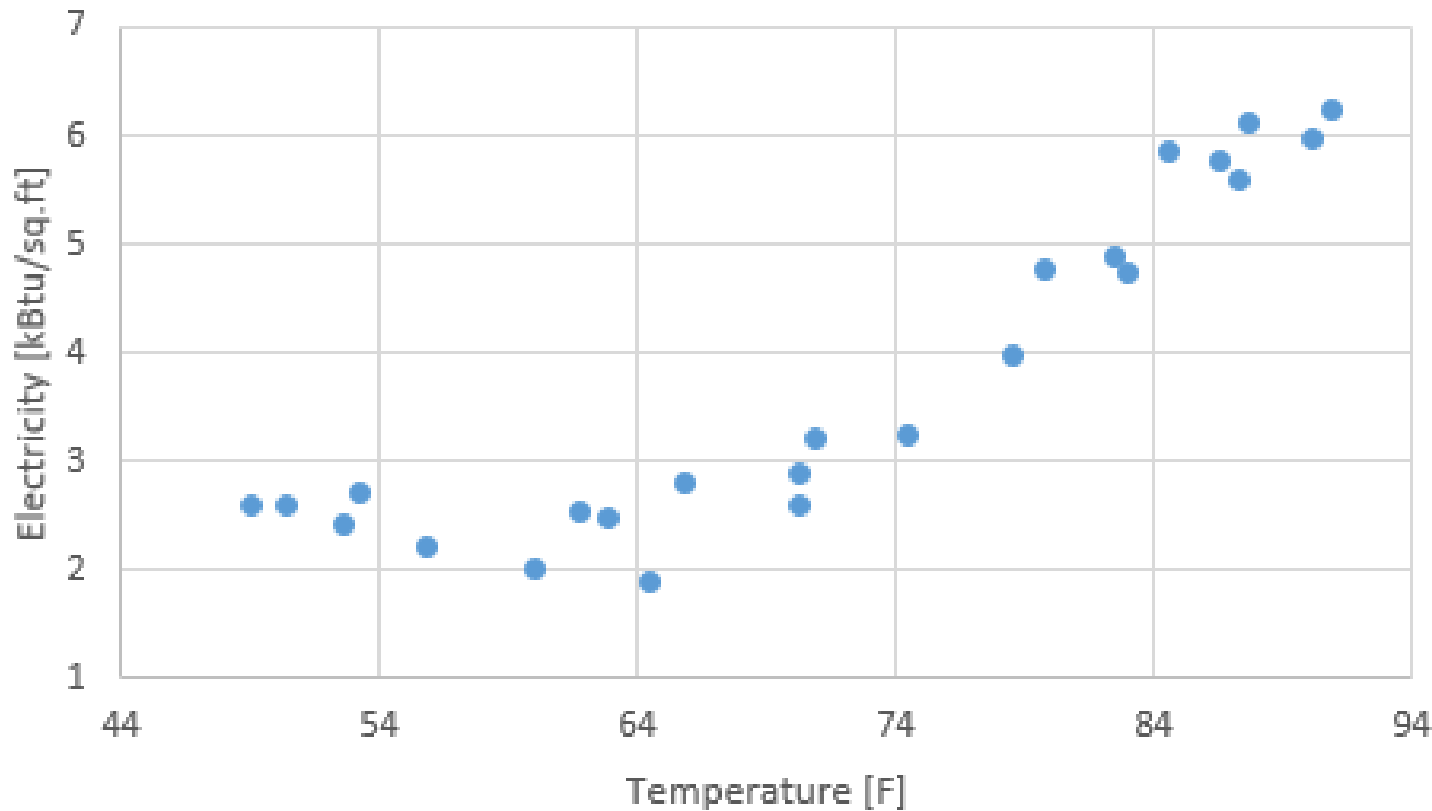
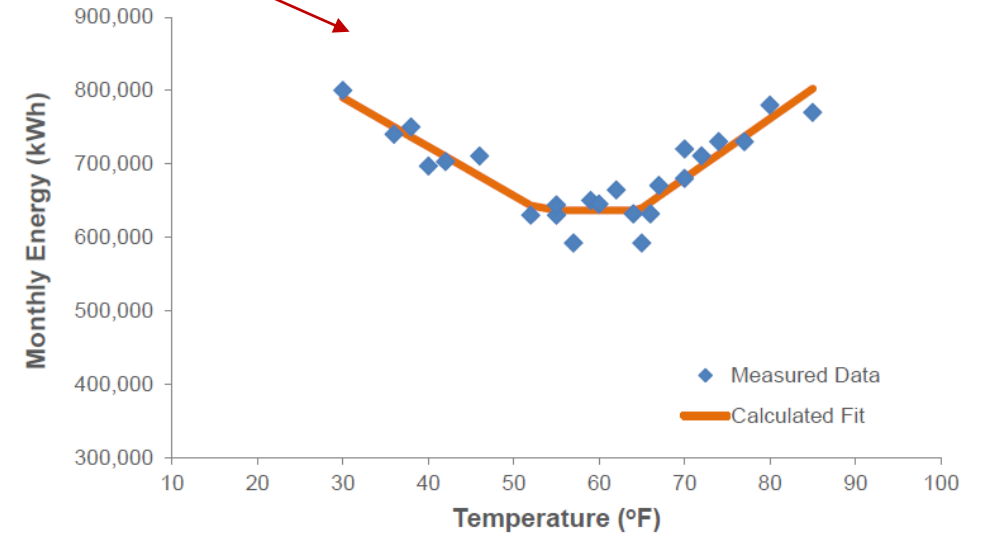
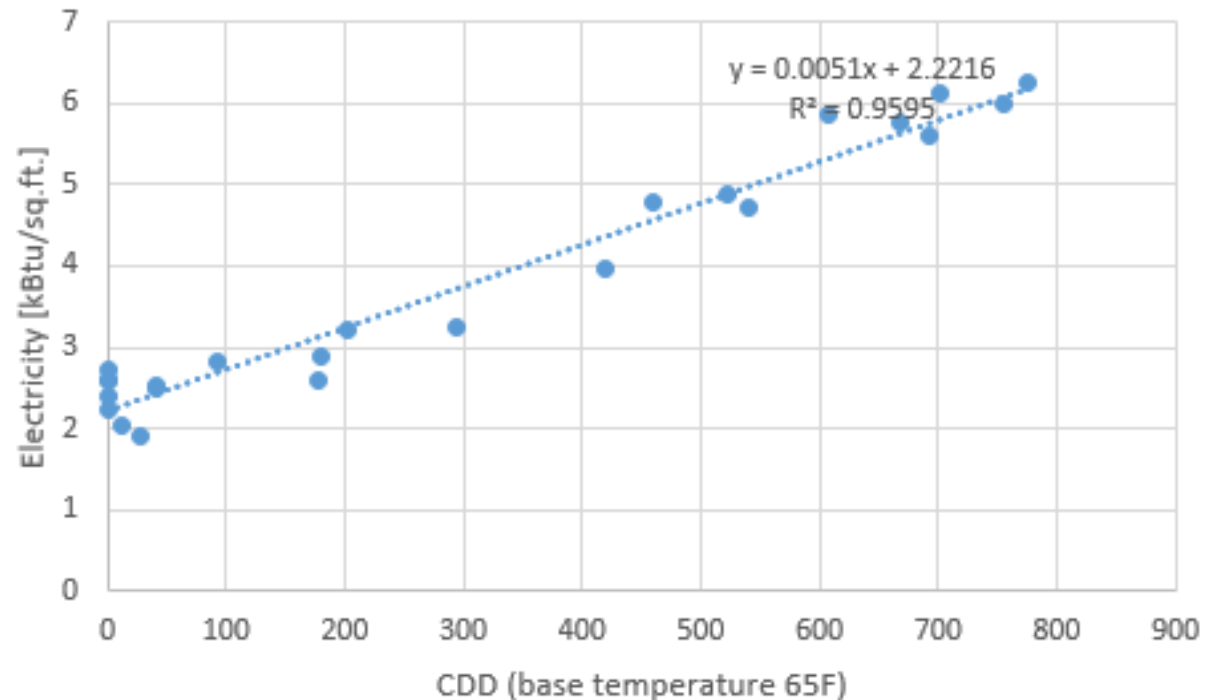


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$$y = 0.0051x + 2.2216$$

$$R^2 = 0.9595$$

(CDD_base65F	eui_elec	KTUS	month	year
)	[kBtu/sq.ft]	(Temperature)		
0	2.606160906	48.99622958	1	2013
0	2.606160906	50.41889215	2	2013
92.49643103	2.808188883	65.80637836	3	2013
202.0732406	3.212244838	70.94561755	4	2013
459.673275	4.767860262	79.82817016	5	2013
775.0961936	6.242664496	90.83653979	6	2013
691.5686668	5.596174969	87.30866667	7	2013
668.721722	5.778000148	86.57166845	8	2013
540.2454537	4.727454667	83.00818179	9	2013
178.5256689	2.606160906	70.2132227	10	2013
39.96000147	2.48494412	62.8205936	11	2013
0	2.404132929	52.63513801	12	2013
1.196319103	2.222307749	55.80129917	1	2014
12.66687489	2.020279772	60.02173501	2	2014
26.95674562	1.899062986	64.50866664	3	2014
180.1026595	2.889000074	70.28651458	4	2014
419.3408548	3.979951151	78.52712435	5	2014
756.0490837	5.980028125	90.20163612	6	2014
701.4688915	6.121447709	87.62802876	7	2014
607.1507864	5.858811339	84.58550924	8	2014
523.0236214	4.889077048	82.43412071	9	2014
293.2586996	3.232447635	74.45995805	10	2014
41.77007103	2.525349715	61.73543355	11	2014
0.952499072	2.707174895	53.18789109	12	2014

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From the ftp retrieve the monthly temperature normal:
<ftp://ftp.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/normals/1981-2010/products/temperature/mly-cldd-normal.txt>

Source: ftp://ftp.ncdc.noaa.gov/pub/data/normals/1981-2010/products/temperature/mly-htdd-normal.txt											unit							
			raw record	USW00023160	1S	3S	29S	121S	348S	594S	683S	631S	497S	212S	27C	-7777C		
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Jun	594	S	R	provisional (at least 10 years used, but not sufficiently complete to be labeled as standard or representative). Also used for parameter values on February 29 as well as for interpolated daily precipitation, snowfall, and snow depth percentiles.														
Jul	683	S																
Aug	631	S	P															
Sep	497	S																
Oct	212	S																
Nov	27	C																
Dec	-7777	C	Q	quasi-normal (at least 2 years per month, but not sufficiently complete to be labeled as provisional or any other higher flag code. The associated value was computed using a pseudonormals approach or derived from monthly pseudonormals.														

5 Portfolio Manager computes a normalization ratio for each fuel type

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Calculation with equation: $Y = 0.0051x + 2.2216$

eui_elec	month	year	KTUS (HDD)	eui_gas_p	CDD norm	eui_gas_n	normaliza	eui_normalize
3.959748	10	2012	258.7266	3.541106	212	3.3028	0.932703	3.693269
3.798126	11	2012	44.42757	2.448181	27	2.3593	0.963695	3.660236
3.333462	12	2012	0	2.2216	0	2.2216	1	3.333462
2.606161	1	2013	0	2.2216	1	2.2267	1.002296	2.612144
2.606161	2	2013	0	2.2216	3	2.2369	1.006887	2.624109
2.808189	3	2013	92.49643	2.693332	29	2.3695	0.879765	2.470547
3.212245	4	2013	202.0732	3.252174	121	2.8387	0.872862	2.803848
4.76786	5	2013	459.6733	4.565934	348	3.9964	0.875265	4.173139
6.242664	6	2013	775.0962	6.174591	594	5.251	0.850421	5.308891
5.596175	7	2013	691.5687	5.7486	683	5.7049	0.992398	5.553633
5.778	8	2013	668.7217	5.632081	631	5.4397	0.965842	5.580635
4.727455	9	2013	540.2455	4.976852	497	4.7563	0.955684	4.517955
2.606161	10	2013	178.5257	3.132081	212	3.3028	1.054507	2.748214
2.484944	11	2013	39.96	2.425396	27	2.3593	0.972748	2.417225
2.404133	12	2013	0	2.2216	0	2.2216	1	2.404133
2.222308	1	2014	1.196319	2.227701	1	2.2267	0.999551	2.221309
2.02028	2	2014	12.66687	2.286201	3	2.2369	0.978435	1.976713
1.899063	3	2014	26.95675	2.359079	29	2.3695	1.004417	1.907452
2.889	4	2014	180.1027	3.140124	121	2.8387	0.904009	2.611682
3.979951	5	2014	419.3409	4.360238	348	3.9964	0.916555	3.647846

KTUS (CDD_base65F)

