

ARCH 633 ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEM I

ASSIGNMENT 09 BUILDING ENCLOSURE

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3 TYPICAL INSULATION MATERIAL

Fiberglass



Mineral Wool



Polyurethane Foam



R-Value

R-2.9 ~ R-3.7/inch

R-3.1-R-3.8/inch

R-3.6-R-6.3/inch

Approximate price

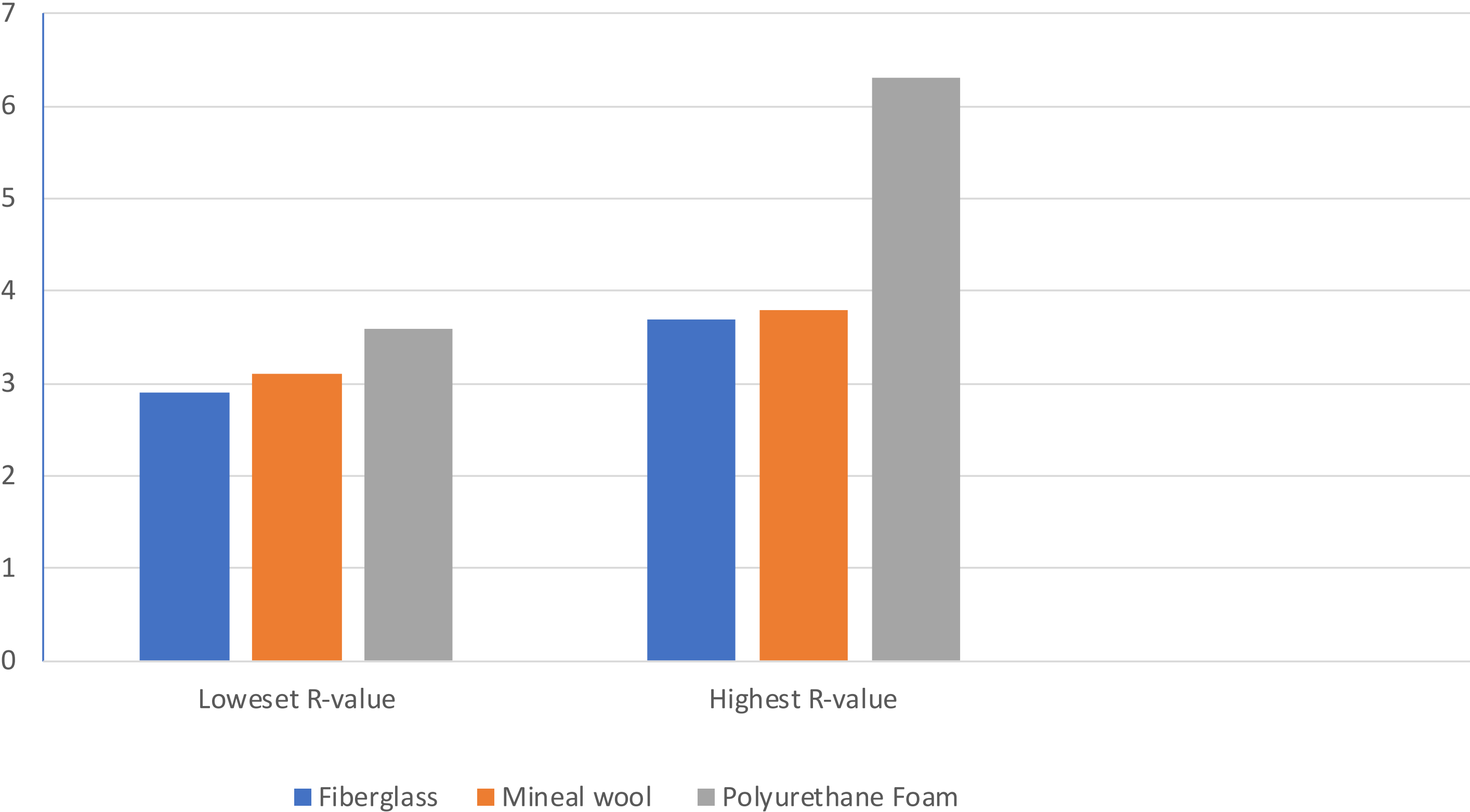
\$346.00-\$477.60/10³ sq ft

\$580.3-\$801.2/10³ sq ft

\$881.7-\$1217.2/10³ sq ft

Price provided by “Homewyse”
Post code: 19104

Insulation R-value/Inch



Insulation prices $\$/10^3$ sq ft

1400

1200

1000

800

600

400

200

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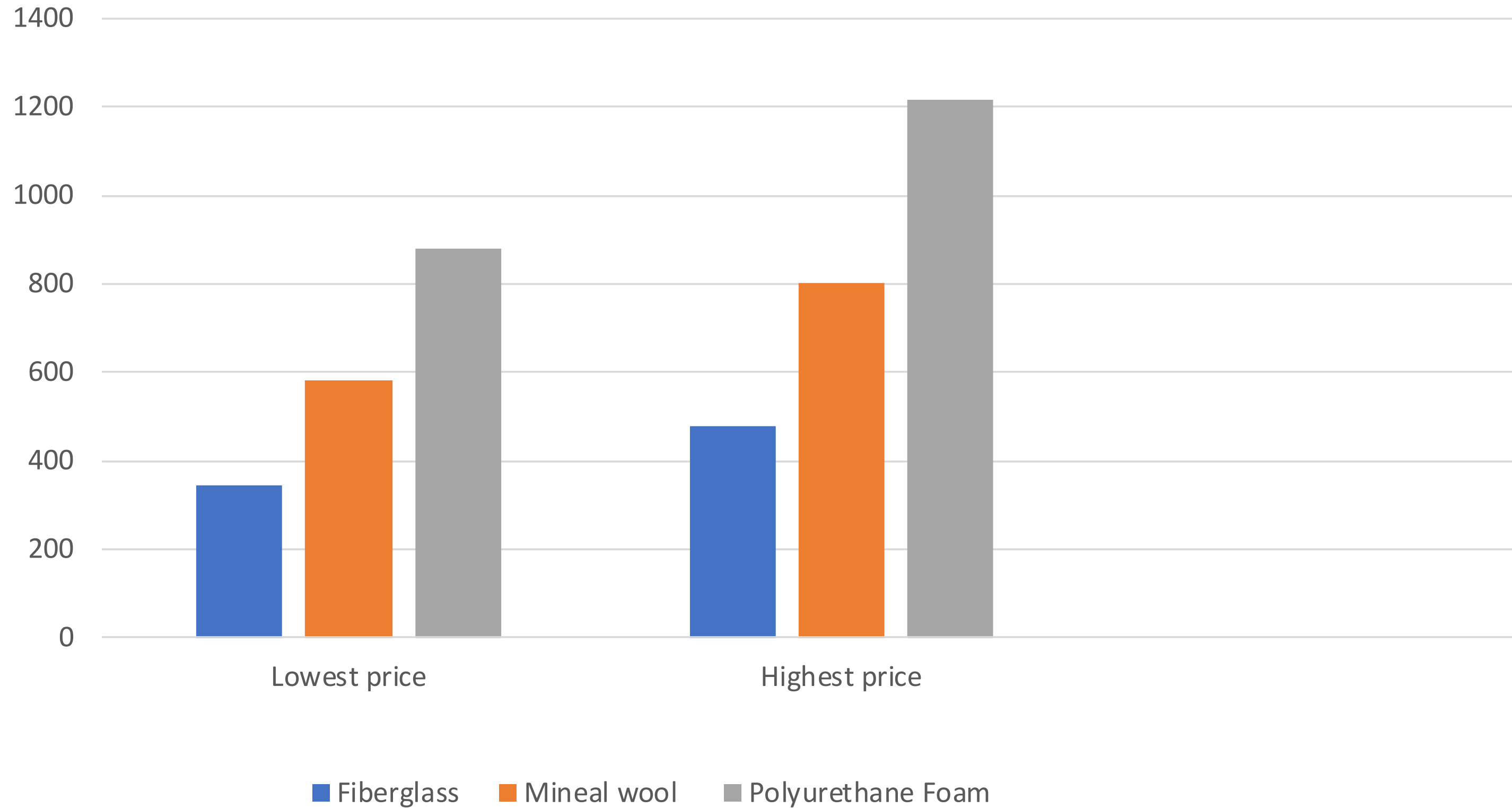
Lowest price

Highest price

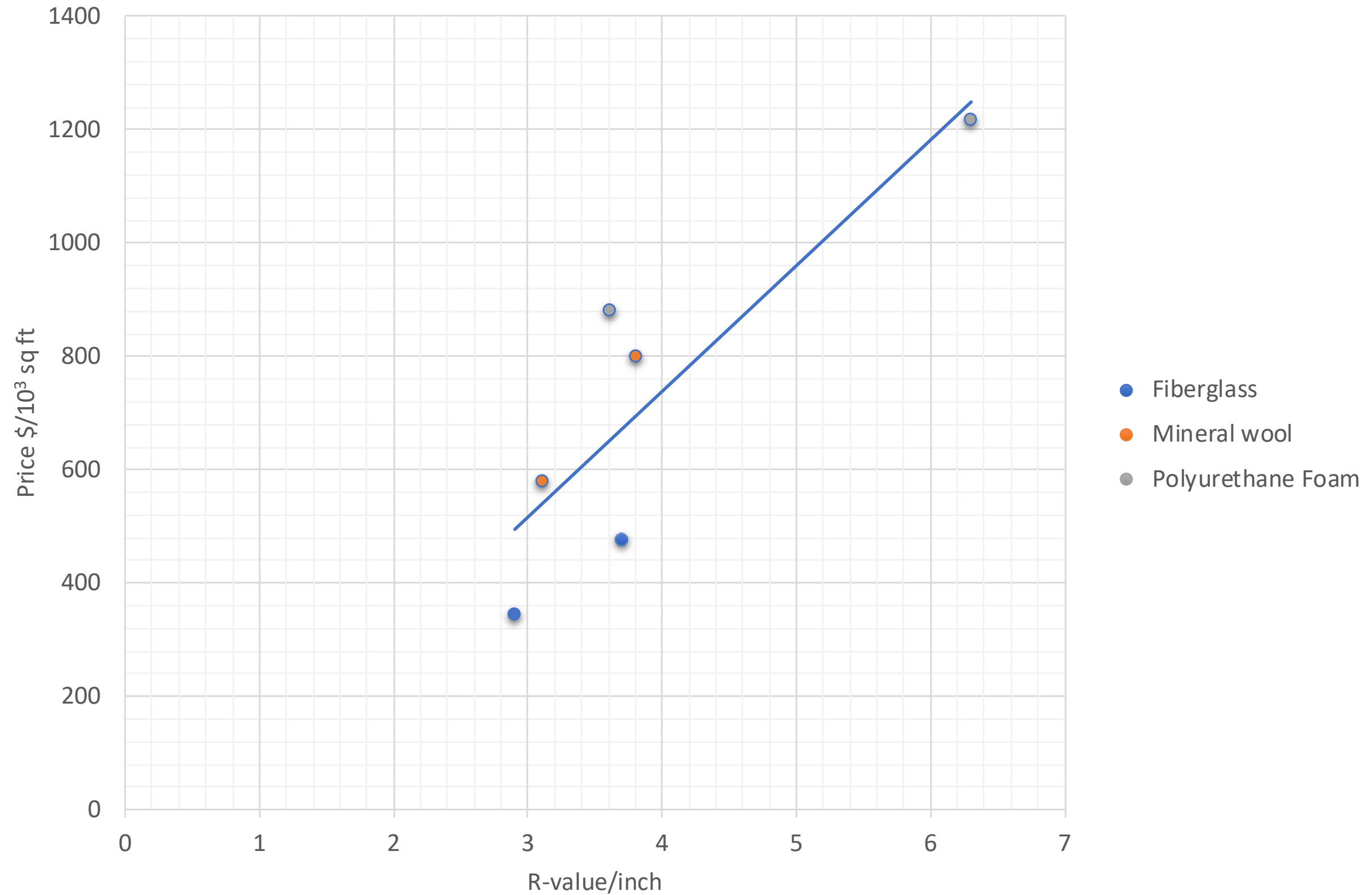
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R-value & Price relation

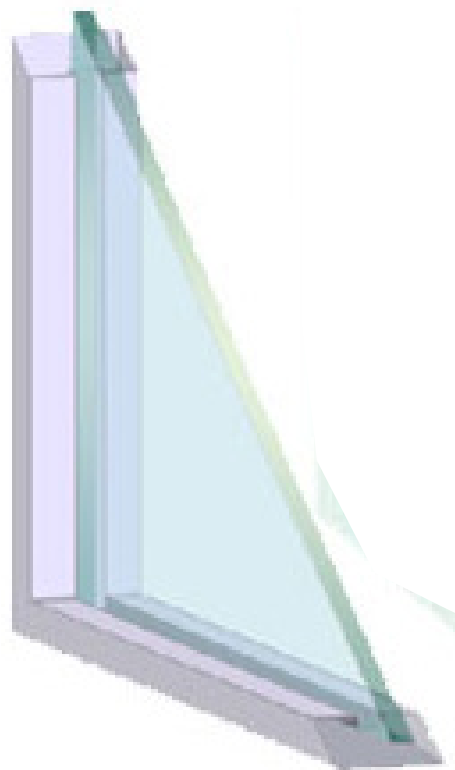


CONCLUSION

After compare and comparison, the relation among those three typical insulation material is that the higher R-value, the higher price. The R-value stands for the material's insulation ability. Each material have their own advantage, and clients should choose the insulation material based on their particular needs.

3 TYPICAL WINDOW ASSEMBLIES

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U-Value

Data from
<https://www.pilkington.com/~media/Pilkington/Site%20Content/UK/Reference/TableofDefaultU-Values.ashx>

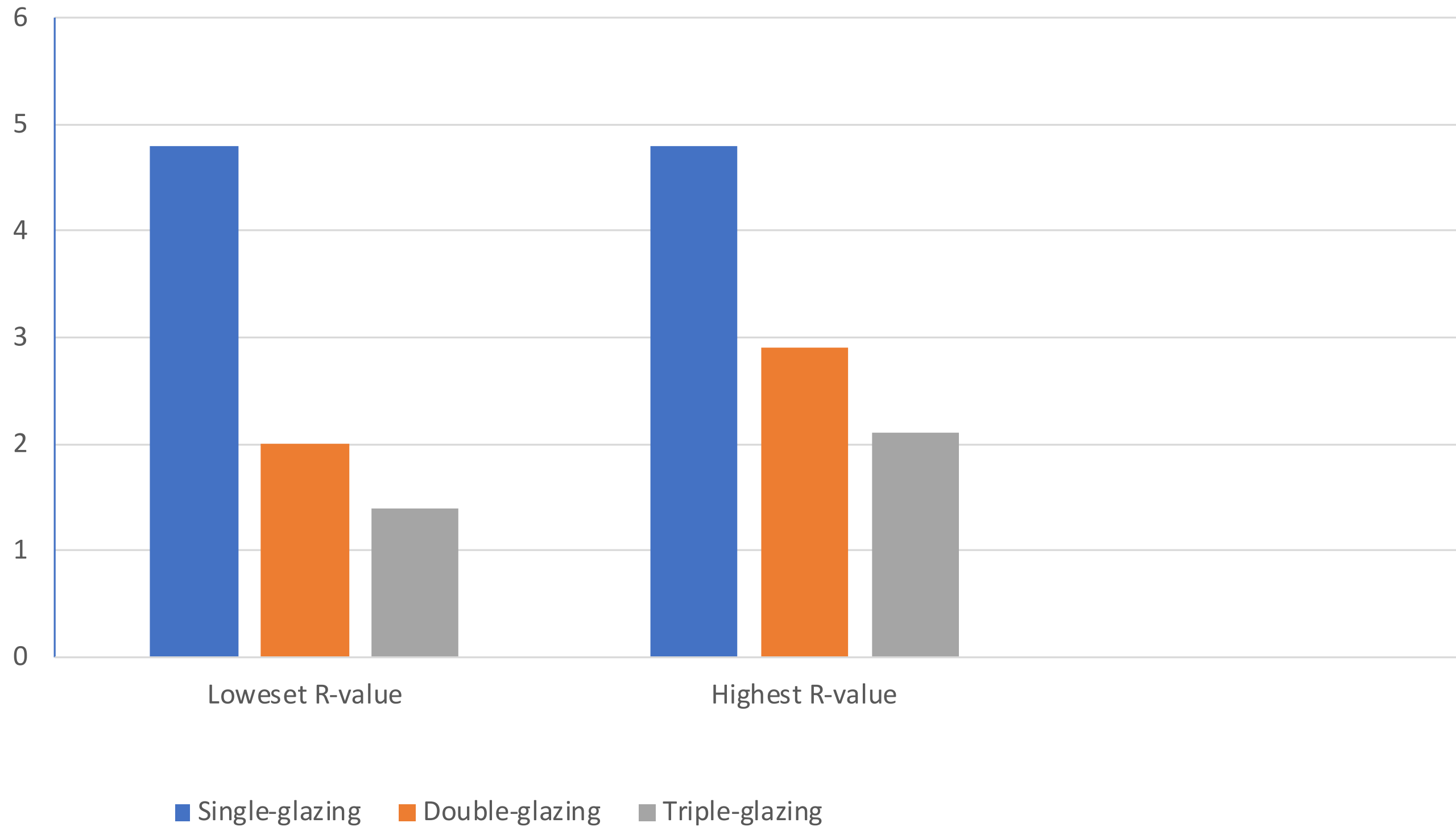
U-4.8

U-2.0~U-2.9

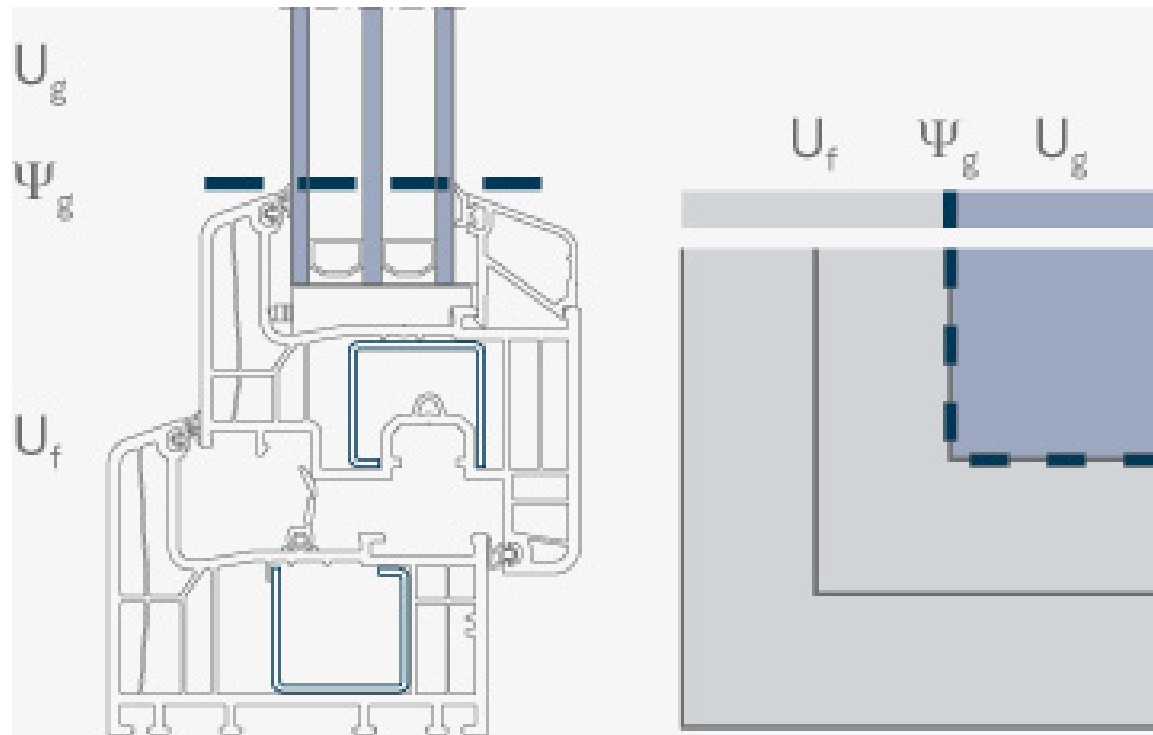
U-1.4~U-2.1

The more gazing windows have, the better thermal resistance they have

U-value



U-VALUE ASSEMBLY METHOD



Usually, there are three U-Values need to be calculated in windows assembly.

U_w (U value of window)

U_g (U value of glazing)

U_f (U value of frame)

The overall u-value is with additive relation with each window elements.

The formula is

$$U_w = (A_g \times U_g + A_f \times U_f + l_g \times \Psi_g) / (A_g + A_f)$$

U_w (U value of window)

U_g (U value of glazing)

U_f (U value of frame)

Ψ_g (linear heat transfer coefficient of the insulated glazing edge seal)

A_g (glass area)

A_f (frame area)

l_g (length of inside edge of frame profile)