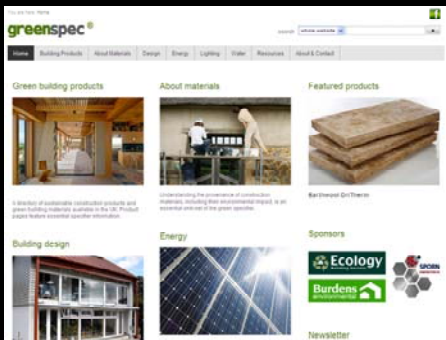


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Commercial Green Construction & Materials  
Embodied Carbon Footprints  
Greening-Up NBS  
Anti VE & D&B Substitution measures

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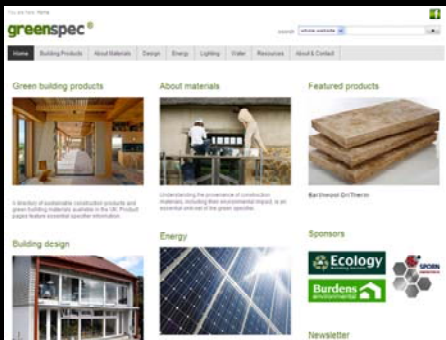
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# Scope

- Sensible suggestions for materials for large scale building projects
  - insulation, concrete, not timber
  - embodied carbon & carbon footprints
- how to Green-up NBS specifications
  - ensuring intentions survive VE & D&B
- How do others do it



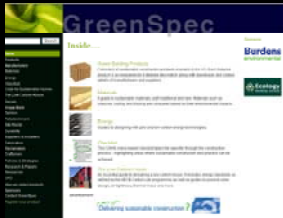
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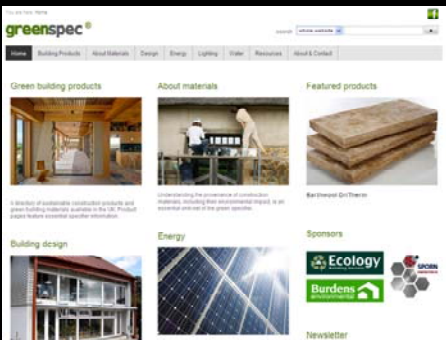
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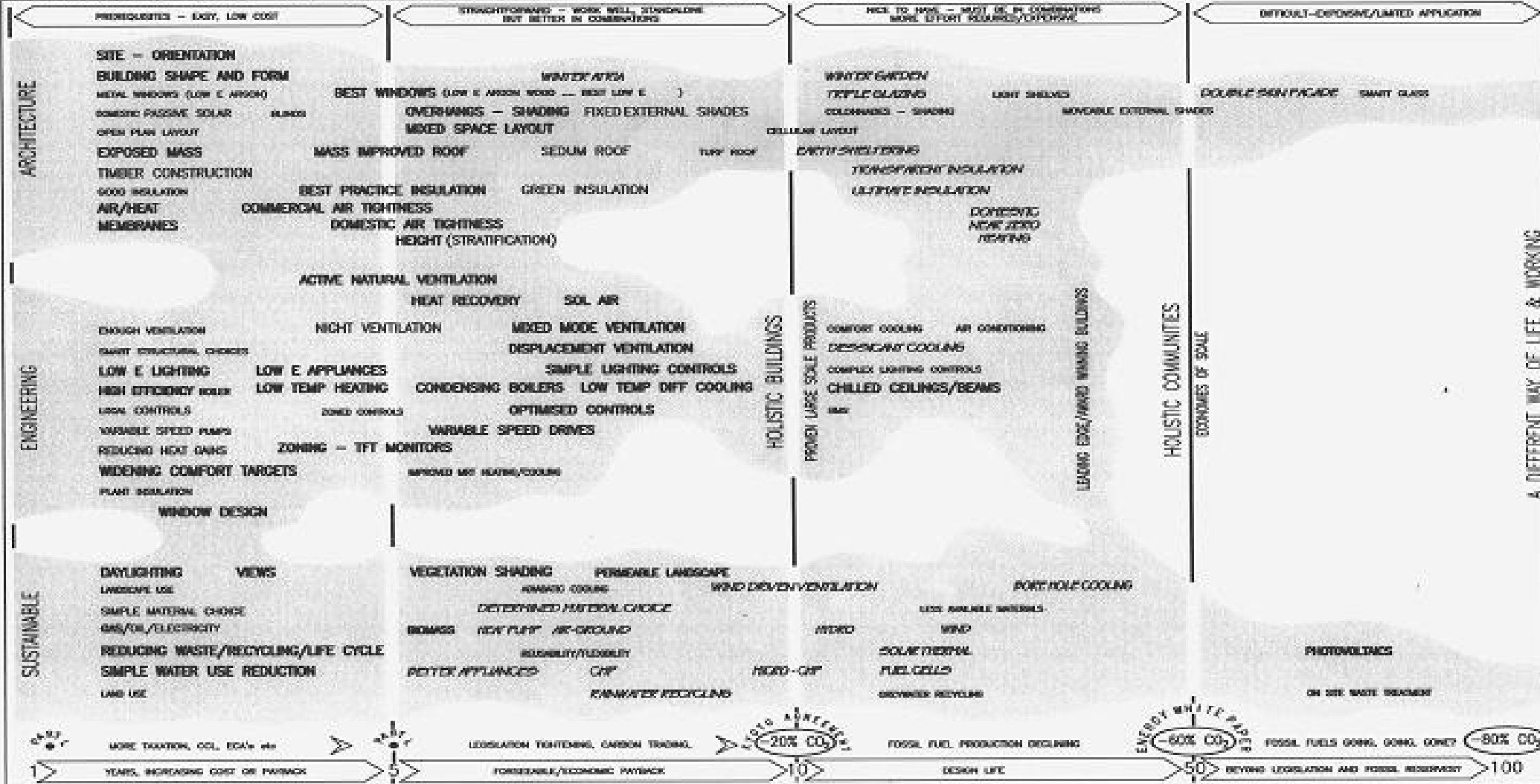
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IN A COMPLEX WORLD ..... A PERSPECTIVE ON BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES FOR THE MAINSTREAM UK



Sustainable Engineering Architecture

In a complex world.....

A perspective on building technologies for the mainstream UK

Prerequisites, easy, low costs  
Site – Orientation  
Building shape and form  
Metal windows Low E Argon  
Domestic Passive Solar  
Open Plan Layout  
Exposed Mass  
Timber Construction  
0.00 Insulation  
Air/Heat  
Membranes

Straightforward, work well, standalone, better communal

Nice to have, more effort required, expensive

Best Windows: Low E Argon Wood \_\_\_\_ Low E  
Overhangs – Shading  
Mixed space Layout  
Mass Improved Roof  
Best Practice Insulation  
Commercial Air tightness  
Domestic Air tightness  
Height (Stratification)

Winter Atria  
Fixing external Shades  
Sedum Roof  
Green Insulation  
Turf Roof  
Earth Sheltering  
Transparent Insulation  
Ultimate Insulation

Winter Garden  
Triple Glazing  
Colour \_\_\_\_ Shading  
Light Shelves  
Move  
Domestic near-zero heat

Draught Ventilation  
Functional Checks  
Low E Lighting  
High Efficiency Boiler  
Local Controls  
Variable Speed Pumps  
Reducing Heat gains  
Widening Comfort Targets  
Plant Insulation  
Window Design

Night Ventilation  
Low E Appliances  
Low Temp Heating  
Zoned Controls  
Condensing Boilers  
Optimised Controls  
Variable Speed Drives  
Improved \_\_\_\_ Heating/Cooling  
TFT Monitors (arrived sooner)

Mixed Mode Ventilation  
Displacement Ventilation  
Simple Light Controls  
Low Temp Diff Cooling

Comfort cooling  
Desiccant cooling  
Complex lighting controls  
Chilled ceiling / beams  
BMS

Day-lighting  
Landscape Use  
Simple Material Choices  
Gas/Oil/Electricity  
Reducing Waste/Recycling/Life Cycle  
Simple Water Use Reduction  
Land Use

Vegetation Shading  
\_\_\_\_ Cooling  
Determined Materials Choices  
BioMass Heat Pump Air-Ground  
Adaptability/Flexibility  
Better Appliances  
CHP

Permeable Landscape  
Wind Driven Ventilation  
Hydro  
Micro – CHP  
Solar Thermal  
Fuel Cells  
Greywater Recycling

Now

+5years  
Part L & CfSH

Kyoto Targets  
-20% CO2

+10  
CfSH

+50  
Energy White Paper  
-60% CO2

Holistic Buildings  
Proven Large Scale Products

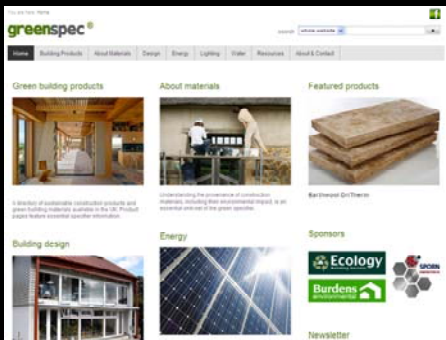
Don't go there

Holistic Communities



# Commercial Green

- Not 100% glazed and 100% A/C
  - Solar control essential
- Appropriate Technologies
  - Commercially Developed Technologies
- Appropriate design
  - Not: I can CAD, CAD can, So I do
  - 1000 x 1 or 1 x 1000
- Multi functional systems
  - Value Engineering Stuff into projects
- Resource Efficient Design
  - Avoiding Waste



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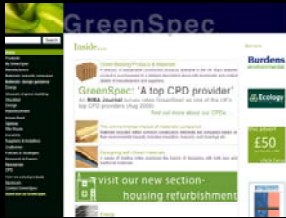
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# Embodied Energy Embodied Carbon & Carbon Footprints

# Embodied Carbon Footprints

- Embodied Carbon
- Embodied Energy
- Materials Elements/Systems Buildings
- Carbon Footprint

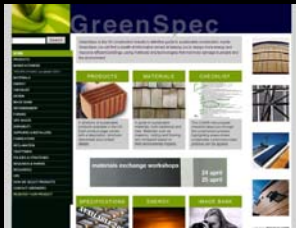


# Jargon Buster: Carbon Dioxide CO<sub>2</sub>

## Definitions & Meanings

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# Embodied Carbon

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# Embodied Environmental impacts

- Not just Carbon
  - Resource Consumption
    - Energy
    - Materials
      - Chemicals
    - Water
  - Waste
  - Emissions
    - Pollution to air
    - Pollution to land: waste
    - Pollution to water
    - Pollution to humans, animals and plants

# Embodied Carbon in Energy

UK Carbon Content of Fuel	kgCO2/kWh 2009 (Carbon Trust)
Grid Electricity	0.537
Coal	0.330
Oil (Gas oil)	0.252
LPG	0.214
Natural Gas	0.185
Biomass	0.025 If sourced with 30km of the site
Solar	0.000

# Embodied Energy & Carbon in:

- **Materials & Products**
  - Labour to: quarry, forest, field, factory
  - Energy & Fuel in: factory, mill, quarry
  - Transport from quarry, forest, field to factory
- **Packaging, Protection & Stability**
- **Logistics to site (inefficient is worse)**
- **Labour & Transport to site**
  - Assembly on site
- **Waste**
  - Support, Packaging, Separation, Protection & Stability
  - Off-cuts
  - Over ordered
  - Stolen or disappeared
  - Damaged or spoiled
  - Rejected on quality grounds
- **Labour & Transport to landfill**

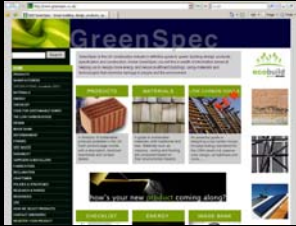


# Embodied Energy & Carbon in:

- **Materials**
  - Mixing of resources and their assembly
- **Products: assembly of materials**
  - And the fixings, fasteners, adhesives
- **Elements: assemblies of component parts**
  - And the fixings, fastenings, adhesives
- **Buildings: assemblies of elements**
  - And the connecting of parts
  - And the sealing of joints between parts
- **Finishing them off**

# Low Carbon Healthy high performance materials

- BRE GGtS is a barrier to low carbon materials
  - Alliance formed to break that barrier
  - Many participating companies
  - Many developing tools
    - GreenSpec is part of the offering
  - natureplus® products available across EU,
  - big move to bring the label to UK
- Launching in September



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# Violet materials: Cement Concrete & Blockwork

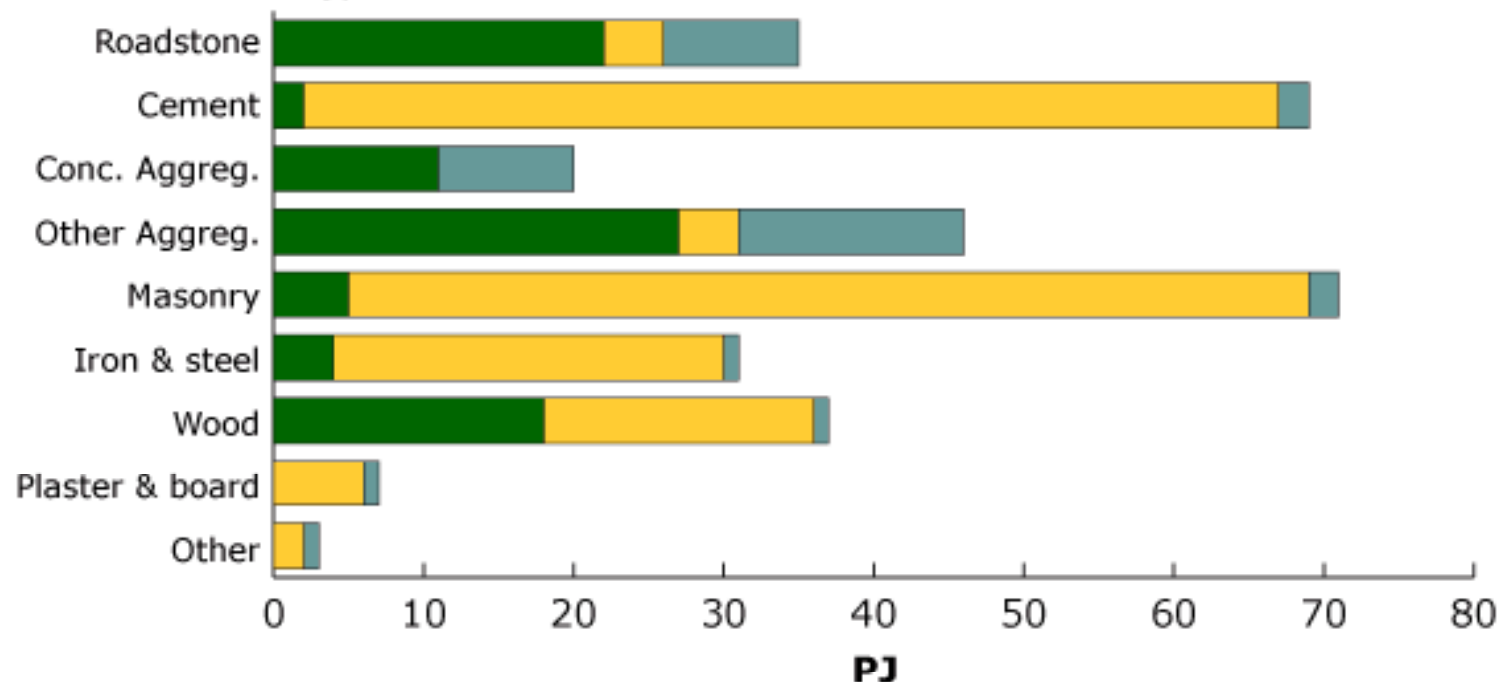
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## Energy in the UK

Energy used in the production of construction materials



Where the energy comes from

currently

33%

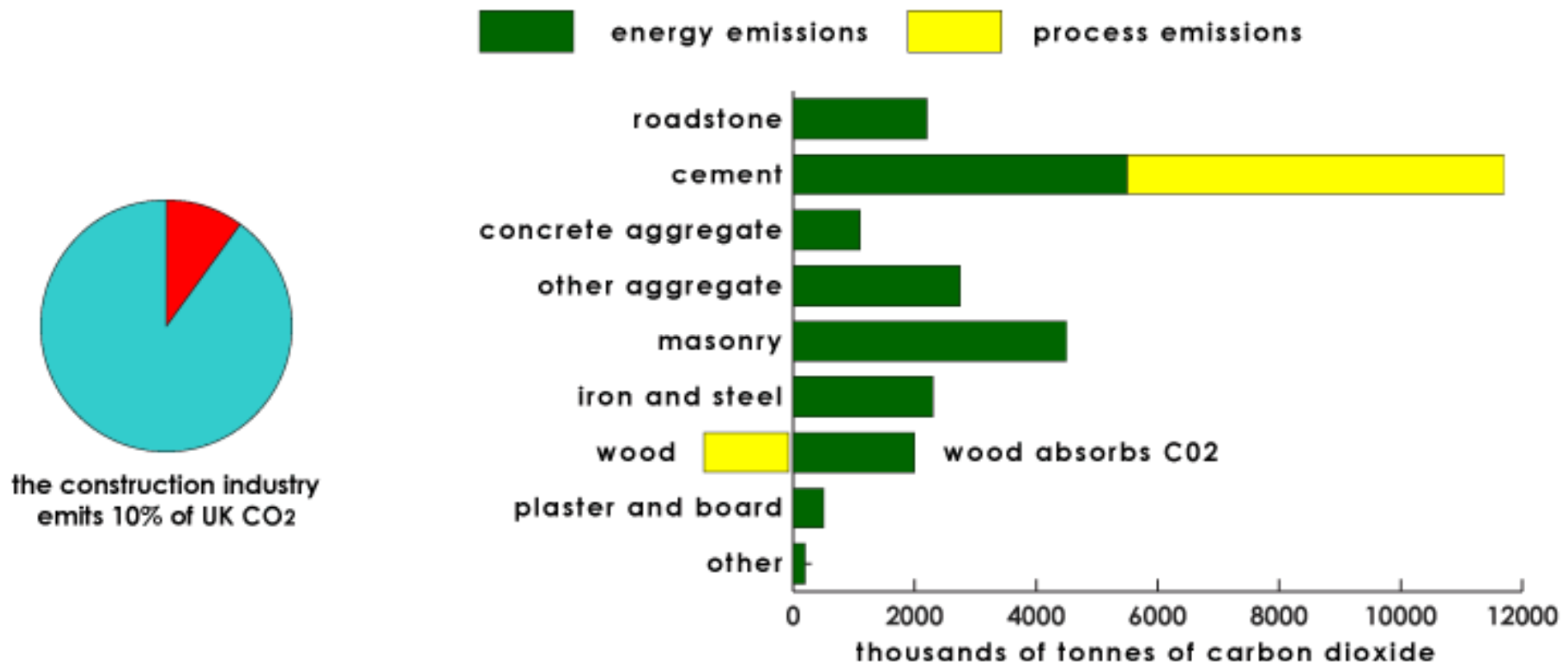
41%

16%

9%

1%

## CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from the production of construction materials



## What are greenhouse gases?

Some greenhouse gases occur naturally in the atmosphere, while others result from human activities. Naturally occurring greenhouse gases include water vapour, carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide and ozone. Certain human activities, however, add to the levels of most of these naturally occurring gases:

**Carbon dioxide** is released to the atmosphere when solid waste, fossil fuels (oil, natural gas and coal) and wood and wood products are burned. CO<sub>2</sub> represents around 50% of all greenhouse gases.

**Methane** is emitted during the production and transport of coal, natural gas and oil. Methane emissions also result from the decomposition of organic wastes in municipal solid waste landfills, and the raising of livestock.

**Nitrous oxide** is emitted during agricultural and industrial activities, as well as during combustion of solid waste and fossil fuels.

Very powerful greenhouse gases that are not naturally occurring include **hydrofluorocarbons** (HFCs),

# Embodied C & E in Resources

- Minerals: Low generally
- Rock:
  - Some is seasonal
  - Heavy to extract, handle, package, transport
  - Processing and finishing
- Sub Soil & Top Soil:
  - Heavy & bulky to transport
  - Cheap to dispose of subsoil
  - Topsoil is scarce reuse it
  - Use it on site,
  - Minimise export and import
- Shell:
  - Renewable
    - DPM, Render,

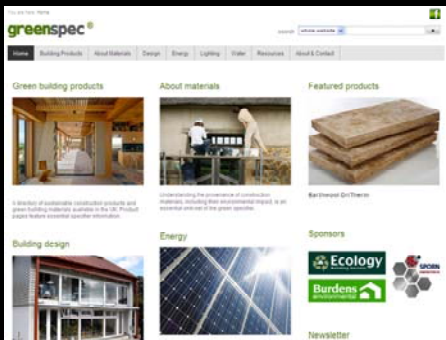
# Embodied C & E in Resources

- Vegetable: Trees, Plants
- Applications:
  - Insulation, structure, framing, surfaces
- Trees
  - Renewable
  - Carbon Negative: Carbon Sequestration
  - After processing: (some energy inputs)
    - Negative, neutral or low
- Plants & Bamboo
  - Rapidly renewable
  - Carbon Negative: Carbon Sequestration
  - After processing: (some energy inputs)
    - Negative, neutral or low

# Embodied C & E in Resources:

- **Animal:**
  - Skin, Fur, Feather, Milk, Shell, Residual, Waste
- **Rapidly renewable:**
  - Fur/Hair/Wool: seasonal; Insulation, reinforcement
  - Milk & Egg: Daily: Paints
  - Poo: plaster, bricks, fuel
- **Renewable: at end of animals life**
  - Leather, Linings, Rugs, Glue, Dye, Paint
  - Shell: DPM, renders
- **Vegan: anti animal exploitation**
  - Whilst we remain carnivores:
    - meat bi-products: not waste





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# ICE Database

- Warts and all
  - Inconsistency reigns
  - But its all we have at the moment
- Materials
  - Good guide as to which materials to avoid
  - Use less of the worst
- Proportion
  - Need to calculate elements and buildings
  - But violet industry wants us to ignore the material characteristics
  - Use less of the worst

ABOUT MATERIALS

Materials: manufacture, use & impact

Materials: whole life costing

# Materials

## Contents

	<p><a href="#">Materials: their manufacture, use and and environmental impact</a></p> <p>An awareness of the impact of specifying materials is an essential part of the approach to green building design. This section looks at a large variety of traditional, contemporary and new materials and products. It examines their manufacture, their impact on the environment and human health, as well as providing guidance to their use.</p>
	<p><a href="#">Materials: whole life performance and cost</a></p> <p>The longer the whole life performance and lower the whole life cost the better a component performs from a sustainability perspective. This section contains a series of articles written by Peter Mayer and first published in <i>Building</i> magazine.</p>

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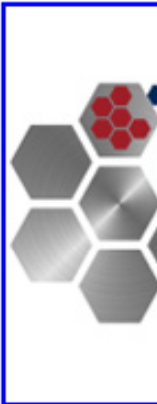
# Materials: their manufacture, use & environmental impact

## Materials generally

	<a href="#">Embodied energy</a> As the amount of energy used in the running of a building (operational energy) shrinks, the energy used in its construction becomes more significant.
	<a href="#">Recycled content</a> Thanks to the introduction of the ISO 14021 standard, it is now far easier for the specifier to determine the recycled content of building materials and products.
	<a href="#">Reclaimed materials</a> Direct substitution of reclaimed materials for new can radically reduce the environmental impact of that particular item.
	<a href="#">The REACH Regulation - and what it means</a> It can be argued that the recently introduced European REACH regulation will have a far-reaching influence on the constituents of common construction products.

## E Concrete and earth

	<a href="#">Rammed earth</a> A traditional form of construction is once again becoming popular owing to its very low embodied energy and ready availability.
	<a href="#">Cement substitutes</a> With cement production regularly topping the emissions' tables, the need for using



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## Embodied energy

The embodied energy (carbon) of a building material can be taken as the total primary energy consumed (carbon released over its life cycle). This would normally include (at least) extraction, manufacturing and transportation. Ideally the boundaries would be set from the extraction of raw materials (including fuels) until the end of the products lifetime (including energy from manufacturing, transport, energy to manufacture capital equipment, heating and lighting of factory, maintenance, disposal etc.), known as 'Cradle-to-Grave'. It has become common practice to specify the embodied energy as 'Cradle-to-Gate', which includes all energy (in primary form) until the product leaves the factory gate. The final boundary condition is 'Cradle -to-Site', which includes all of the energy consumed until the product has reached the point of use (ie the building site).

The figures included in the following table are a much-shortened and abbreviated adaptation of a survey published by the Sustainable Energy Research Team (SERT) of the University of Bath. The survey, 'Inventory of Carbon & Energy (ICE)' V1.6a, was compiled and written by Prof. Geoff Hammond & Craig Jones, 2008. The full detailed survey, complete with original data, methodology and notes, is available from [www.bath.ac.uk/mech-eng/sert/embodied/](http://www.bath.ac.uk/mech-eng/sert/embodied/)

The figures are based on a 'Cradle-to-Gate' analysis of publicly available information.

Material	Energy MJ/kg	Carbon kg CO <sup>2</sup> /kg	Density kg /m <sup>3</sup>
Aggregate	0.1	0.005	2240
Concrete (1:1.5:3 eg in-situ floor slabs, structure)	1.11	0.159	2400
Concrete (eg in-situ floor slabs) with 25% PFA RC40	0.97	0.132	
Concrete (eg in-situ floor slabs) with 50% GGBS RC40	0.88	0.101	
Bricks (facing)	0.2	0.02	1700

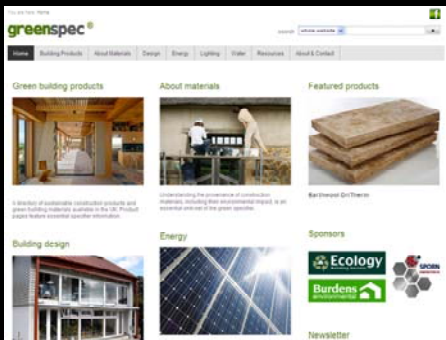


Material	Embodied Energy MJ/kg	Embodied Energy MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	Embodied Energy MJ/item	Area m2	Embodied Carbon kg CO <sup>2</sup> /kg	Embodied Carbon kg CO <sup>2</sup> /m <sup>2</sup>	Embodied Carbon kg CO <sub>2</sub> /item	Density kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Aggregate	0.083				0.0048			2240
Concrete (1:1.5:3 eg in-situ floor slabs, structure)	1.11				0.159			2400
Concrete (eg in-situ floor slabs) with 25% PFA RC40	0.97				0.132			2400
Concrete (eg in-situ floor slabs) with 50% GGBS RC40	0.88				0.101			2400
Bricks (common)	3				0.24			1700
Concrete block (Medium density 10 N/mm2))	0.67				0.073			1450
Aerated block	3.5				0.3			750
Rammed earth (no cement content)	0.45				0.023			1460
Rammed earth (with cement content)								1460
Limestone block	0.85							2180
Marble	2				0.116			2500
Marble	2				0.116			2500
Cement mortar (1:3)	1.33				0.208			
Steel (general - average recycled content)	20.1				1.37			7800
Steel (section - average recycled content)	21.5				1.42			7800
Steel (pipe - average recycled content)	19.8				1.37			7800
Stainless steel	56.7				6.15			
Timber (general - excludes sequestration)	10				0.72			480
Timber (general - includes sequestration)	10							480
Timber (general - excludes sequestration)	10				0.72			720
Timber (general - includes sequestration)	10							720
Glue laminated timber	12				0.87			
Sawn hardwood	10.4				0.86			700
Sawn hardwood	10.4				0.86			800
Cellular glass insulation	27							
Cellulose insulation (loose fill)	0.94							43
Cellulose insulation (loose fill)	3.3							43
Cork insulation	26							160
Glass fibre insulation (glass wool)	28				1.35			12
Flax insulation	39.5				1.7			30
Rockwool (slab)	16.8				1.05			24
Expanded Polystyrene insulation	88.6				2.55			15
Expanded Polystyrene insulation	88.6				2.55			30
Polyurethane insulation (rigid foam)	101.5				3.48			30
Woodwool board insulation	20				0.98			
Wool (recycled) insulation	20.9							25
Straw bale	0.91							100
Straw bale	0.91							110
Mineral fibre roofing tile	37				2.7			1850
Slate (UK)	0.1				0.006			1600
Slate (imported)	1				0.058			1600
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Slate (imported)	1				0.058			1600
Clay tile	6.5				0.45			1900
Aluminium (general & incl 33% recycled)	155				8.24			2700
Bitumen (general) min.	51				0.38			
Bitumen (general) max.	51				0.43			
Hardboard	16				1.05			600
Hardboard	16				1.05			1000
Hardboard	16				1.05			600
Hardboard	16				1.05			1000
MDF	11				0.72			680
MDF	11				0.72			760
OSB	15				0.96			640
Plywood	15				1.07			540
Plywood	15				1.07			700
Plasterboard	6.75				0.38			800
Gypsum plaster	1.8				0.12			1120
Glass	15				0.85			2500
PVC (general)	77.2				28.1			1380
PVC pipe	67.50				24.40			1400
Linoleum	25				1.21			1200
PVC Vinyl flooring	65.64				2.92			1200
Terrazzo tiles	1.4				0.12			1750
Ceramic tiles	12				0.74			2000
Carpet tiles, nylon (Polyamide), pile weight 770g/m2		279				13.7		
Wool carpet	106				5.53			
Wallpaper	36.4				1.93			
Wood stain / varnish	50				5.35			
Vitrified clay pipe (DN 500)	7.9				0.52			



# Building Calculations

	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC	AD	AE	AF	AG
	Specif ication CA/S	CA/S Title	Material	Embodied Energy MJ/kg	Embodied Energy MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	Embodied Energy MJ/Item	Area or section	m <sup>2</sup>	Embodied Carbon kg CO <sub>2</sub> /kg	Embodied Carbon kg	Embodied Carbon kg CO <sub>2</sub> /Item	Density kg/m <sup>3</sup>	Weight kg/m <sup>2</sup>	Source	Embodied Energy MJ/m <sup>3</sup>	Embodied Carbon kg CO <sub>2</sub> /m <sup>3</sup>	Area or Section	m <sup>2</sup>	Thickness m	Length m	Width m	Height m	Volume m <sup>3</sup>	Embodied Energy Building	Embodied Carbon Building			
1			Whole Building Totals																							4,517,648.82	355	
2		E.g. Floor	Examples												1	2	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>					
3		E.g. Wall	Examples												3	4	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>					
4		E.g. Windows or PV	Examples												5	6	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>					
5		E.g. Frame	Examples												7	8	0.01 m <sup>2</sup>	100 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>					
6																												
7	E10	Concrete	Concrete (115.3 eq in-situ floor slabs, structure)	1.11					0.153			2400	ICE 1 & 2	2,664	382	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				2,664	
8	E10	Concrete	Concrete (eq in-situ floor slabs) with 25% PFA RC40	0.97					0.132			2400	ICE 1 & 2	2,328	317	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				2,328	
9	E10	Concrete	Concrete (eq in-situ floor slabs) with 50% GGBS RC40	0.88					0.101			2400	ICE 1 & 2	2,112	242	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				2,112	
10	E10	Concrete	Aggregate	0.063					0.0048			2240	ICE 2	186	11	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				372	
11	E70	Rammed Earth	Rammed earth (no cement content)	0.45					0.023			1460	ICE 1 & 2	657	34	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				657	
12	F10	Brick/block walling	Bricks (facing)	1.46					0.101			1700	ICE 1	13,340	2,482	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				27,880	4
13	F10	Brick/block walling	Aerated block	3.5					0.3			750	ICE 1 & 2	2,625	225	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				2,625	
14	F10	Brick/block walling	Bricks (common)	3					0.24			1700	ICE 2	5,100	408	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				5,100	
15	F10	Brick/block walling	Concrete block (Medium density 10 N/mm2)	0.67					0.073			1450	ICE 2	972	106	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				972	
16	F42	Straw bale walling	Straw bale (minimum)	0.24					0.01			100	ICE 1	24	1	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				48	
17	F42	Straw bale walling	Straw bale (maximum)	0.24					0.01			110	ICE 1	26	1	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				53	
18	G10	Steel Structures	Steel (recycled)	3.5					0.43			7800	ICE 1	74,100	3,354	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				148,200	6
19	G10	Steel Structures	Steel (typical virgin/recycled)	24.4					1.77			7800	ICE 1	190,320	13,806	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				380,640	21
20	G10	Steel Structures	Steel (virgin)	35.3					2.75			7800	ICE 1	275,340	21,450	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				550,680	42
21	G10	Structural steel	Iron (general & average)	25					1.91			7870	ICE 1 & 2	196,750	15,032	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				196,750	15
22	G10	Steel Structures	Steel (general - average recycled content)	20.1					1.37			7800	ICE 2	156,780	10,686	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				156,780	10
23	G10	Steel Structures	Steel (pipe - average recycled content)	19.8					1.37			7800	ICE 2	154,440	10,686	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				154,440	10
24	G10	Steel Structures	Steel (section - average recycled content)	21.5					1.42			7800	ICE 2	167,700	11,076	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				167,700	11
25	H51	Stone Cladding	Marble	2					0.116			2500	ICE 2	5,000	290	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				5,000	
26	H60	Plain Tiles	Clay tile	6.5					0.45			1900	ICE 2	12,350	855	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				12,350	
27	H62	Natural Slate roofing	Slate (UK)	0.1					0.006			1600	ICE 1 & 2	160	10	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				160	
28	H62	Natural Slate roofing	Slate (imported)	1					0.058			1600	ICE 2	1,600	93	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				1,600	
29	H65	Single lap Roof tiles	Concrete tile	2					0.215			2100	ICE 1	4,200	452	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				8,400	
30	H66	Bituminous felt shingling	Mineral fibre roofing tile	37					2.7			1850	PD	68,450	4,395	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				68,450	4
31	H71	Lead cladding/roofing	Lead (incl 6% recycled)	25.21					1.57			11340	ICE 2	285,881	17,804	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				285,881	17
32	H73	Copper cladding/roofing	Copper (average incl. 46% recycled)	48					3.01			8600	ICE 1	412,800	25,886	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				825,600	5
33	H73	Copper cladding/roofing	Copper (average incl. 37% recycled)	48					3.01			8600	ICE 2	361,200	22,360	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				361,200	22
34	K10	Plasterboard drylining	Plasterboard	6.75					0.38			800	ICE 1 & 2	5,400	304	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				5,400	
35	K11	Rigid sheet flooring/sheathing/linings/casings	Hardboard (maximum)	16					1.05			1000	ICE 2	16,000	1,050	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				16,000	
36	K11	Rigid sheet flooring/sheathing/linings/casings	Hardboard (minimum)	16					1.05			600	ICE 2	3,600	630	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				3,600	
37	K11	Rigid sheet flooring/sheathing/linings/casings	MDF (Minimum)	11					0.72			680	ICE 2	7,480	430	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				7,480	
38	K11	Rigid sheet flooring/sheathing/linings/casings	Plywood (maximum)	15					1.07			700	ICE 2	10,500	743	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				10,500	
39	K11	Rigid sheet flooring/sheathing/linings/casings	Plywood (minimum)	15					1.07			540	ICE 2	8,100	578	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				8,100	
40	K11	Rigid sheet flooring/sheathing/linings/casings	MDF (Maximum)	11					0.72			760	PD	8,360	547	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				8,360	
41	K11	Rigid sheet flooring/sheathing/linings/casings	OSB	15					0.96			640	PD	3,600	614	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				3,600	
42	L40	Glazing	Glass	15					0.85			2500	ICE 1 & 2	37,500	2,125	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				37,500	
43	M20	Plaster/Render Roughcast coatings	Gypsum plaster	1.8					0.12			1120	ICE 1 & 2	2,016	134	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				2,016	
44	M40	Tiles wall/floor coverings	Marble	2					0.112			2500	ICE 1	5,000	280	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				10,000	
45	M40	Tiles/Slates floor/wall	Slate (UK)	0.1					0.006			1600	ICE 1 & 2	160	10	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				160	
46	M40	Tiles wall/floor coverings	Ceramic tiles	12					0.74			2000	ICE 2	24,000	1,480	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				24,000	
47	M40	Stone floor/wall tile	Marble	2					0.116			2500	ICE 2	5,000	290	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				5,000	
48	M40	Tiles/Slates floor/wall	Slate (imported)	1					0.058			1600	ICE 2	1,600	93	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				1,600	
49	M40	Tiles wall/floor coverings	Terrazzo tiles	1.4					0.12			1750	PD	2,450	210	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				2,450	
50	M50	Flexible floor coverings	Linoleum	25					1.21			1200	ICE 1 & 2	30,000	1,452	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				30,000	
51	M50	Flexible floor coverings	PVC Vinyl flooring	65.64					2.92			1200	ICE 1 & 2	78,768	3,504	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				78,768	3
52	P10	Proofing: Insulation	Cork insulation	4					0.19			160	ICE 1	640	30	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				1,280	
53	P10	Proofing: Insulation	Glass fibre insulation (quilt)	28					1.35			12	ICE 1	336	16	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				672	
54	P10	Proofing: Insulation	Polyurethane insulation	72.1					3			30	ICE 1	2,160	90	2 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	2 m <sup>3</sup>				4,320	
55	P10	Proofing: Insulation	Rockwool (slab)	16.8					1.05			24	ICE 1 & 2	403	25	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				403	
56	P10	Proofing: Insulation	Expanded Polystyrene insulation (minimum)	88.6					2.55			15	ICE 2	1,320	38	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				1,320	
57	P10	Proofing: Insulation	Glass fibre insulation (glass wool)	28					1.35			12	ICE 2	336	16	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				336	
58	P10	Proofing: Insulation	Polyurethane insulation (rigid foam)	101.5					3.48			30	ICE 2	3,045	104	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m	1 m <sup>3</sup>				3,045	
59	P1																											



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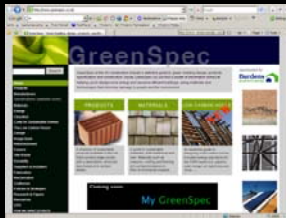
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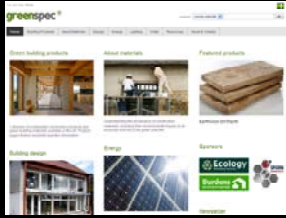
- Using SimaPro and EcolInvent
- Sizes and section areas and density
- Calculate the Environmental Impacts
- In near future LCA & EPD will become available to consider
- Some time soon BIM + LCA
- 3D CAD Generated LCA of building



# Embodied Energy + CO2; EP v IUP

Embodied Energy, Embodied CO2,  
Environmental Profiles V In Use Performance

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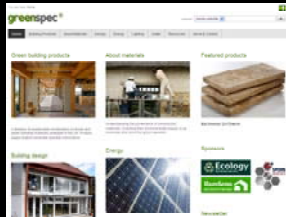


# Embodied V In Use Energy

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# LCGB: Low Carbon Green Buildings

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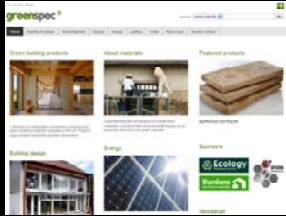
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# Carbon reduction in design

- Visit the site
- Determine what existing buildings can provide
  - Buildings, materials, recycle
- Determine what nature can provide
  - Solar access
  - Prevailing wind
  - Ground water and its movement
  - Geothermal heat and storage capacity
  - Precipitation and surface water

# Carbon reduction in design

- Dematerialise
  - No suspended ceilings
  - No raised access floors? Cant do both?
- Expose thermal mass
  - Exploit thermal mass
  - Fair faced construction
  - Precious about quality? if you can get it
  - Less precious about quality? If you cant



# BRE Green Guide & GreenSpecStudio

On-line design & Specification tool

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# Choosing Materials

- You can consider 13 negatives
  - BRE Green Guide to Specification
    - 1600 Ready made assemblies
  - Environmental Profiling
    - Green Book Live
  - And choose the least violet of the violets
- Or you can consider 276 positives
  - GreenSpec selection criteria
    - GreenSpec Product Pages
    - And choose the greenest of the greens
  - GreenSpec Studio: 892 Assemblies



# Carbon reduction in materials:

- High low neutral or negative carbon
- Simple manufacture
- Low carbon fuels
- Less energy
- Chemical and Petrochemical avoidance
- Less bonding more assembly

# Energy reduction in manufacture:

- Nickel sulfide inclusions
  - Heat soaking at high temperature for long periods
  - Compare with replacing broken panes
  - Need an LCA to compare
- Aluminium
  - High embodied energy
  - Recycled aluminium 5% 1/20<sup>th</sup> energy of Virgin
  - Renewable energy is best
  - Hydro electric: high environmental impact

# Carbon reduction in construction:

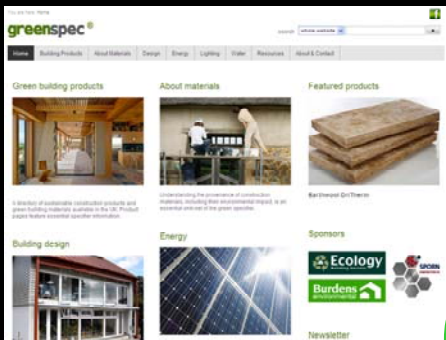
- Avoiding, reducing or replacing cement
  - GGBS to permitted %
  - Slower set, same ultimate strength
  - Impact on programme and construction methods and work sequence
- Water has a carbon load
  - Avoid wet processes
  - Dry construction methods
  - Drying evaporation uses heat energy

# Carbon reduction in commissioning:

- Drying out building
  - Natural ventilation, if practical
- Testing M&E inevitably uses energy
- IR Thermography uses heat
- Airtightness testing uses electricity and drives out heat or sucks in coolth
- Co-ordinate the testing to use each other's energy if you can

# Carbon reduction in use:

- **Energy Efficiency:**
  - Heat, Cool, Vent and Water
  - Natural rather than mechanical and fuel
- **Economic to maintain:**
  - Tough, Durable, Long life
  - Low cost cleaning
  - Keep good appearance
    - Long replacement interval



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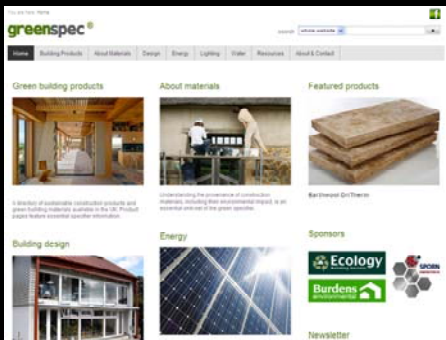
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# Embodied Water (the next big issue)

- Water used to create a material
  - In the process or the end products or both
  - Source
    - Mains, ground extraction, water bodies
      - Embodied Carbon in water
        - » Carbon load of water
    - Harvested, collected, used, recycled
  - No longer available to the population
    - Water stressed areas: reinforces problem
- Water polluted in the process
- Water in the product
  - Removed from the country of origin



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# Greening Up NBS

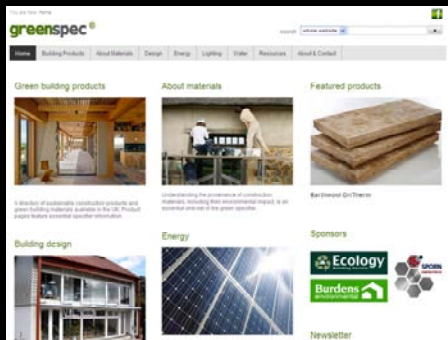
# Greening-Up NBS

- Don't be limited by NBS format & content
- Require something don't permit it
- Don't permit what you do not want
- Specify why you wanted it
- Tender evaluation not just price
- Require evidence of equivalency
- Proactive Substitution Management clauses



# Don't be limited by NBS format & content

- Its competent and offers choice
  - But does not try to encourage being green
- Its started to green itself up
  - Mostly in the guidance
  - Insufficient: step changes needed
- Don't be scared of enhancing an NBS clause
- Its only a checklist after all
- Does your PII provider discourage that?



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# Or Equivalent

- Required in government funded projects
- In the NBS Preliminaries is enough
- But Wren insist its in the clauses too
- So you have to be more proactive:
  - in writing robust specification clauses
  - and policing the non-equivalents.

# Require something don't permit it

- Many engineer's specifications permit greener choices by contractor
- But construction limits material choices
- Educate yourself in the greener option
- Design the greener option
- Specify the greener option
- Insist its is not substituted

# Don't permit something you do not want

- Specify what you want
  - If you want Composite timber/aluminium
  - Specify it
- Exclude what you do not want
  - If there is a risk of PVC substitution
  - And you do not want PVC
  - then exclude PVC

# Specify why you wanted it

- If you chose a material or a products because of a property or attribute
- Specify that property or attribute in the document
- Use the specification as the project bible
- Use it to resist substitution
- Or your building will be deficient on the design

# Tender Evaluation

## not just price

- Make reviewing the tender submission part of your responsibility
- Review their:
  - methods statement,
  - specification,
  - alternative and options,
  - substitutions
- Compare it with the specification

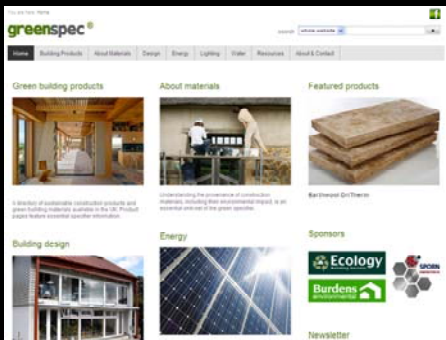
# Require evidence of equivalency

- Make the Tenderers and the contractor responsible for proving their material choices or design
- In every respect that is specified
- They mark up literature against specification
- They compare and then bring a competent equivalent proposal

# Proactive Substitution Management clauses

- Include a clause that requires round table meeting post-tender pre-contract to discuss all departures now
- All substitution proposals:
  - 1 month before ordering materials is required,
  - automatic rejection if too late
- They prove equivalency and you review
- They provide all alternative details
- They take responsibility for all substitutions
- List the criteria and your evidence sources by which evidence will be judged





# Specifications

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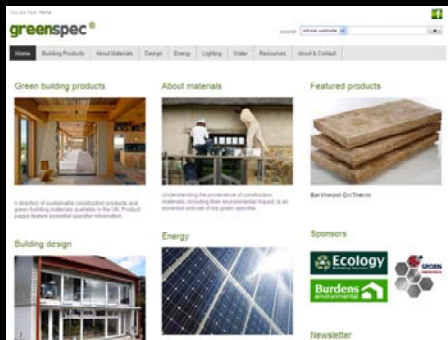


# Specification Substitution

Case Law, practices & pitfalls

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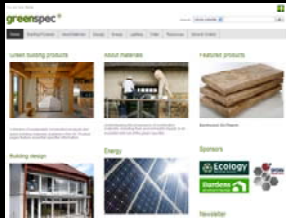
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# Anti Value Engineering measures

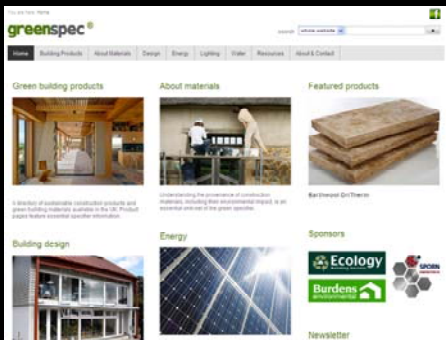


# Value Engineering

Push for 'Cost Cutting'

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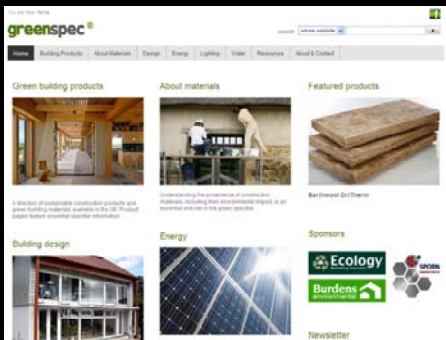
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# Raise our game

- QSs regularly use cost cutting dressed up as “Value Engineering” to cut stuff out of projects
- Architects need to learn how to Value Engineer stuff into projects



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# Principles

- Value Engineering v Cost Cutting
- CC Same picture
  - Replace with 1 thing with a cheaper one
- VE Bigger picture
  - Replace 2 or 3 things with 1
  - Make 1 thing do 2 or 3 things
- Beware of ramifications
  - 1's reliance upon 2 to be avoided
  - Changing 1 requires a change in 2

# Anti Value Engineering measures

- Green brief
  - Green feasibility study
  - WLC Whole Life Costing: Data
  - Carbon-back periods
- Green cost plan > Green pricing
  - No violet prices for comparison
  - No pay back periods
- Resource efficient design
- Green tenderers
  - Green contractors & applicators
- Green prices within green cost plan

# Anti Value Engineering Measures

- VE stuff into projects
- VE stuff out of projects
  - Labour
  - Waste
  - Weather
  - Air



# Labour is expensive

- Reduce labour
- Use multifunctional materials
- Use multifunctional components
  - More expensive to buy
  - Cheaper to install one than many
- Offsite prefabrication
- Off site preassembly
  - Less labour to travel go to site

# Waste is expensive

- **Reduce waste**
  - Cutting: costs labour & costs materials
- **Design to avoid cutting**
  - Stop short and change materials
- **Use products in the size they are made**
  - Know the sizes and work with them
- **Secondary elements sizes**
  - to fit primary element sizes
- **Work with modules not against them**



# Design to Reduce Waste

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# Reduce wasteful expensive

- Gypsum is Stable Non-Reactive Hazardous Waste (SNRHW)
- Finally DEFRA and EA are treating as required: = to asbestos
- Expensive disposal at SNRHW sites
- 30% wastage factors is normal
  - Recent BRE CRWP studies
- Don't use it
  - or use it efficiently and effectively



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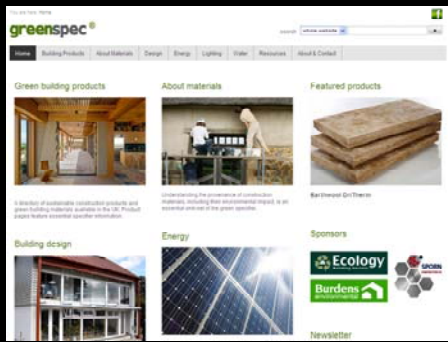
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# Weather is expensive

- Reduce weather influenced activity
  - Precipitation
    - Bad working conditions: poor workmanship
    - Low productivity
    - Traction in mud,
    - Splashes spoil materials
  - Cold
    - Prevents frost vulnerable trades
  - Wind
    - Materials handling & Stability
      - Frames/Modules/panels/pod
    - Worker safety
      - Falls, flames, fumes, dust

# Air is Expensive

- Prefabricated off site,
  - Modules & Pods
  - Contain fresh air
  - Transporting fresh air is expensive
- Panelisation at factory
  - Flat pack delivery is economic no air
  - Assembly on site
- Leaky joints: air, heat & money escapes
  - Joints need to be designed thoroughly



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- Robust Briefing & Some Determination
- Competent Specification for Design
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- Competent building
- Policing the process

# Robust Briefing & Some Determination

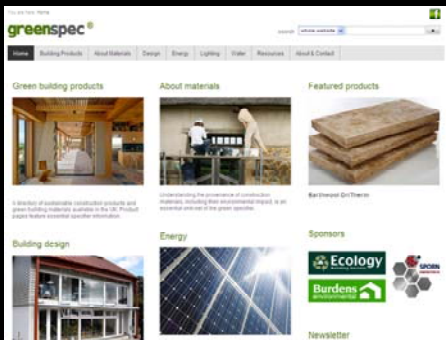
- No excess to requirements
  - Where compromise becomes easy
- No compromises
- Consider:
  - the pros and cons,
  - the gains and the losses,
  - not just lower price,
    - its budgeted for, why change?

# Competent Specification for Design

- Performance Specification:
  - very thorough
  - With test and inspection clauses
- Climate compatible
  - Now and 60 years time
- Airtight Design
  - Airtightness line designed and shown
- Thermal Bridge Free
  - Thermal Flanking Free

# Robust Specification

- Say what you want and mean it
- some slack?
  - If so where?
  - Decide in advance,
  - Say in advance in the Spec
- Proactive Substitution Management



# No lazy anything



- No lazy
  - Specification
  - Architecture
  - Engineering
  - Construction detailing
- Lazy?:
  - Business as Usual: Status Quo prevails
  - without challenging standard decisions
  - Set out at centre and cut round the edges
  - 100% glazed façade: happy Letting agent
  - Put three cold bridges in rather than structurally design them out

# Proactive Substitution Management

- If you specified
- Check its still there
- Police it on site
  - Beginning to end
  - Not just first delivery

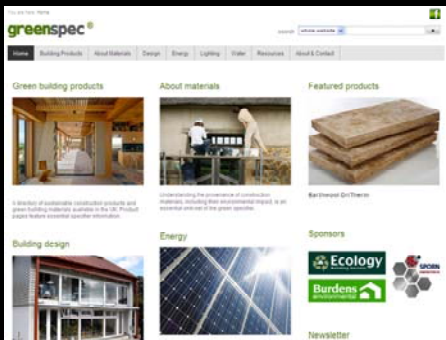
# Competent Building

- Meet the brief: not just Architecture
- Comply with regulation
  - Prove by testing & monitoring,
- Complying with specification
  - Prove by testing
- Buildability checked design
  - Resource Efficient:
    - Waste free
- Compatible materials
  - Especially if substitutions occur

# Policing the process

- Educate the CA & Site Team
- Don't let them make wrong decisions
- Ensure they understand stuff that's in the spec.
- Make its possible to know in your absence
- Provide guidance notes in the supporting documents or specification system (NBS Building User notes)
- If in doubt ask





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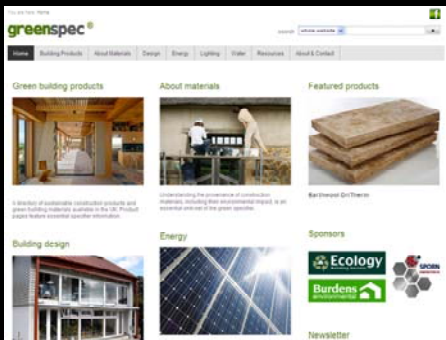
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# NBS Building

- Is a great source of information
- Is potentially a great place to embed Corporate Knowledge
- But this is not supported in major upgrades
- Once the NBS Next Generation is launched start using it in this way



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