

# **New homes – towards zero carbon?**

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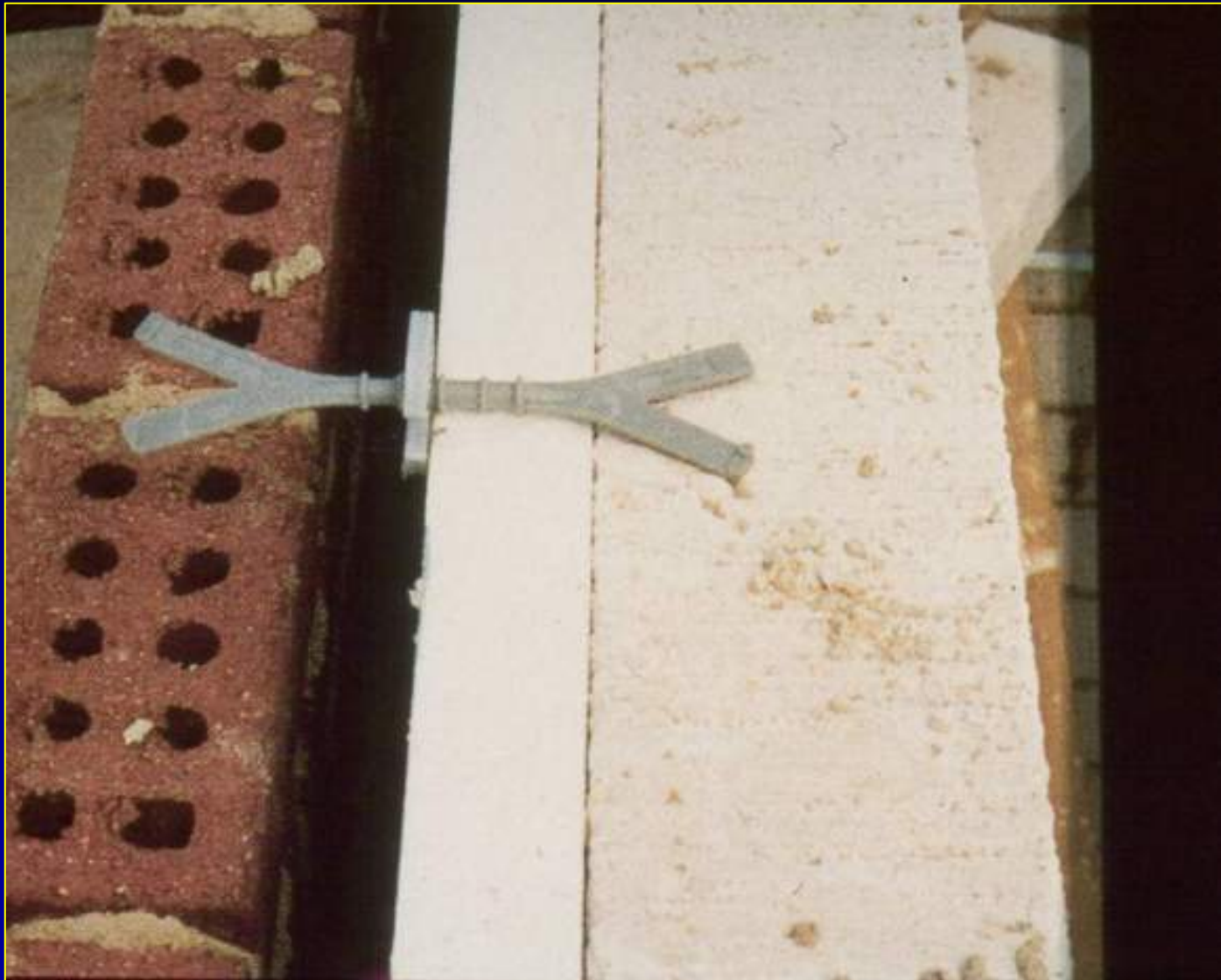
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# Part F1/L1A compliance – Base Case



- 3-bed Semi
- Approximately 90 m<sup>2</sup> floor area
- Masonry cavity construction
- Built to 2006 F1/L1A standard
- Whole House CO<sub>2</sub> target
- Improvement options?

Walls – 60mm polyiso -  $U=0.3 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$



Roof – 300mm blown MF -  $U=0.14 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$





Floor – 50 mm PU –  $U=0.25 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$

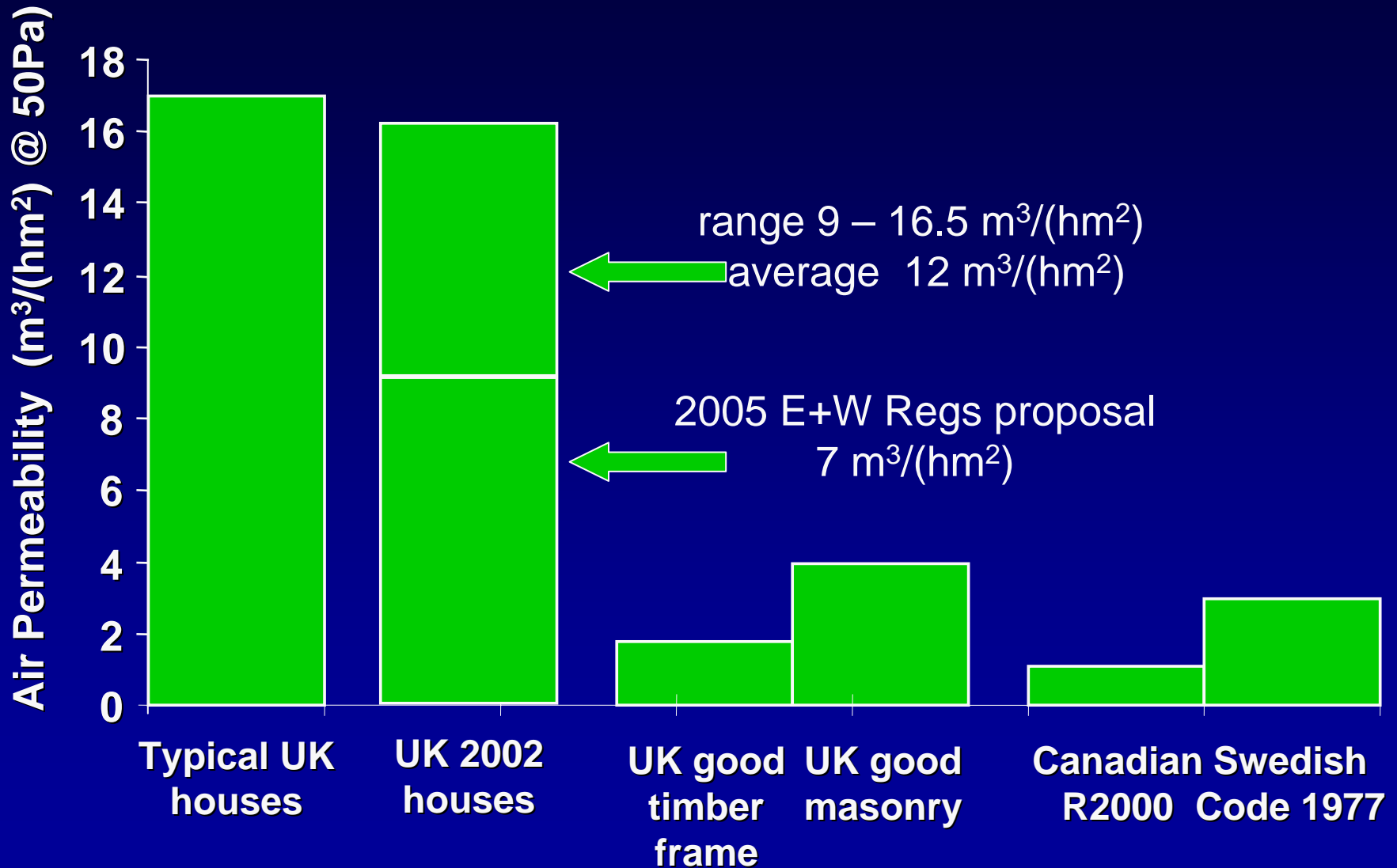


LowE Ar double glazing –  $U=1.8 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$



# Air Permeability

$10 \text{ m}^3/(\text{hm}^2) @ 50 \text{ Pa}$

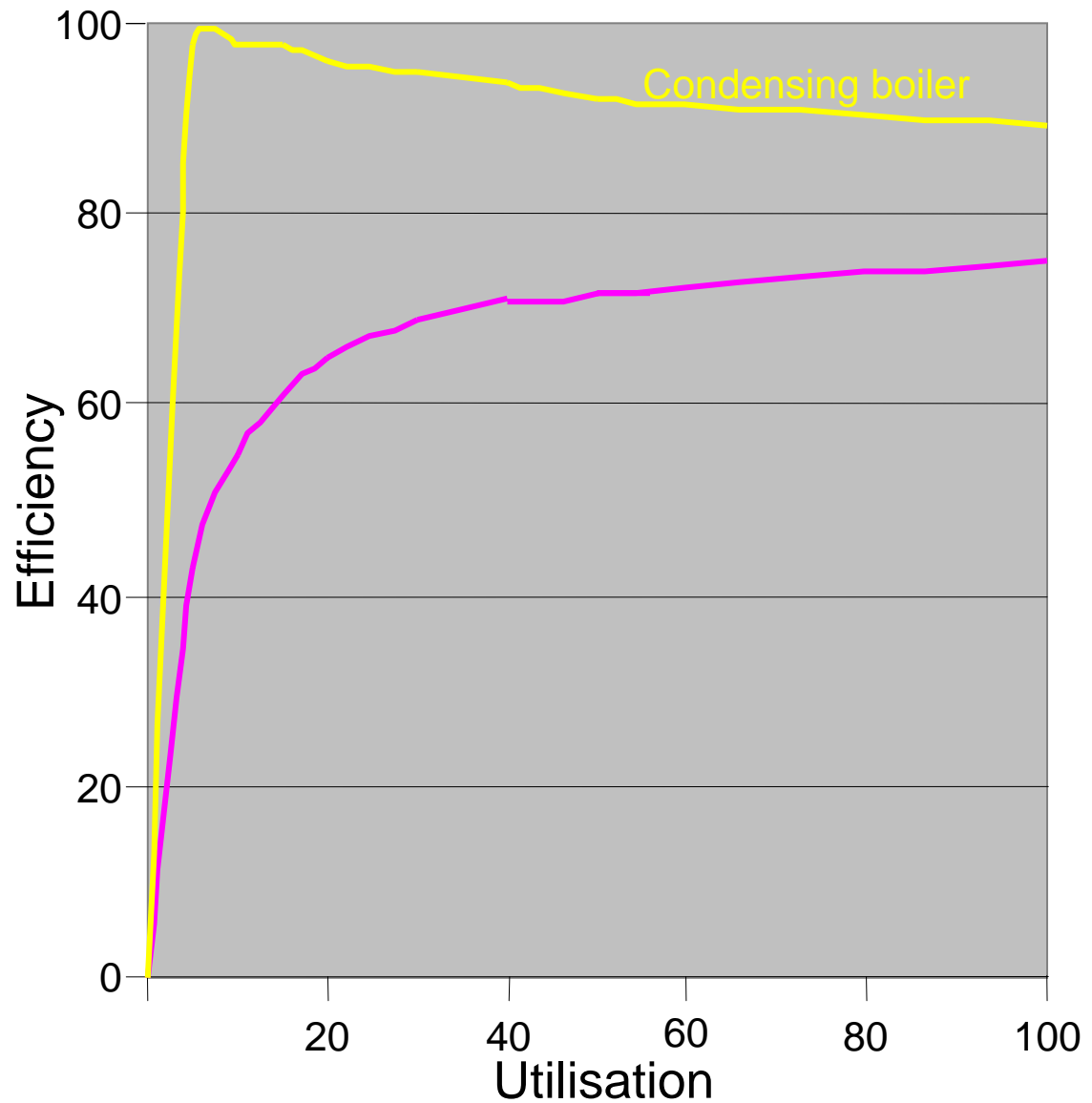
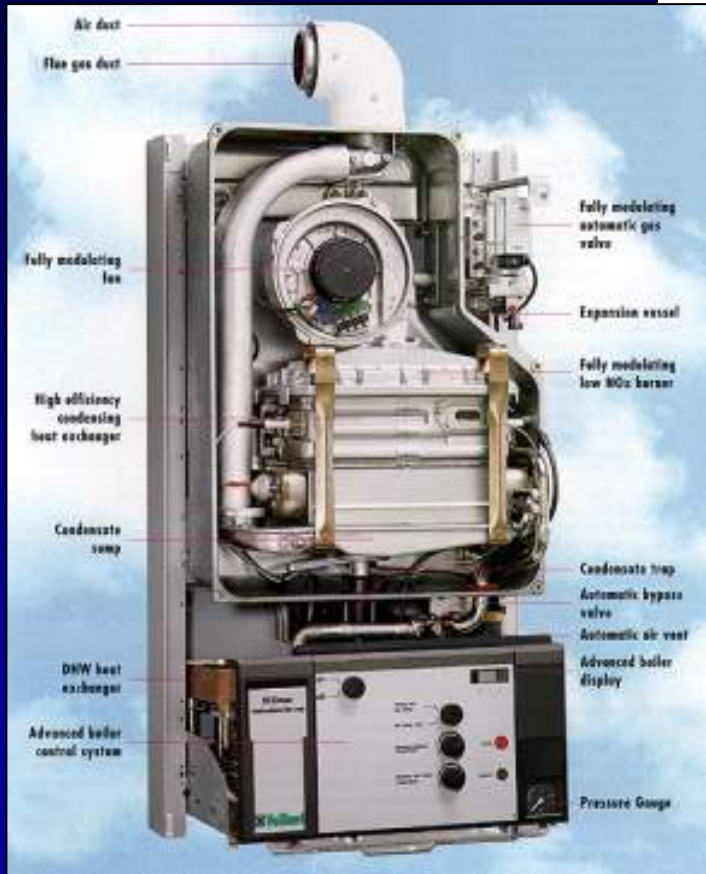


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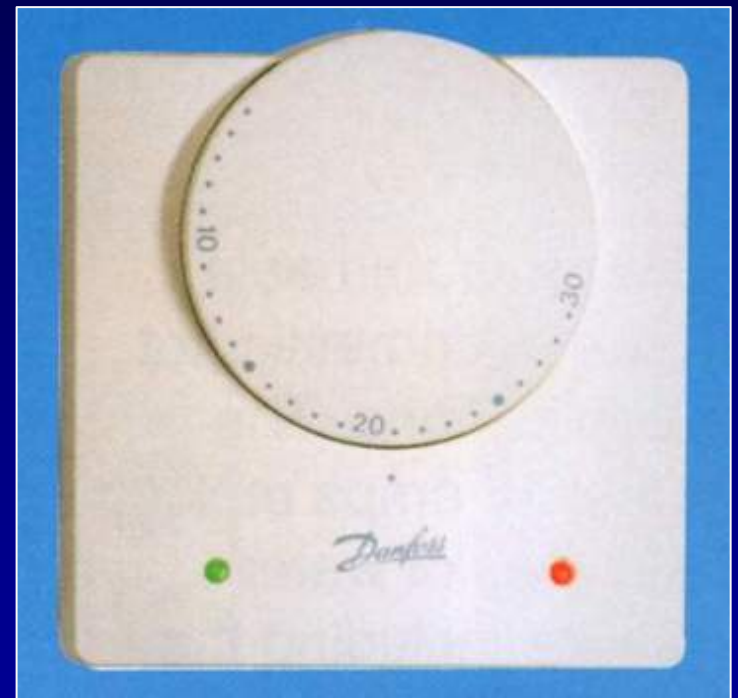




# Condensing Combi



# Timer and Roomstat





# Temperature Control - TRVs





# Gas-Fired Room Heater - 2° heating



30% dedicated low energy lights



# Base Case – Annual Costs



£590

Space heating £100

Hot water £70

Cooking £60

Lights & appliances £300

Stdg Charges £60

# Base Case – CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (tonnes pa)



2.8 tonnes

Space heating

0.75

Hot water

0.55

Cooking

0.3

Lights &  
appliances

1.2

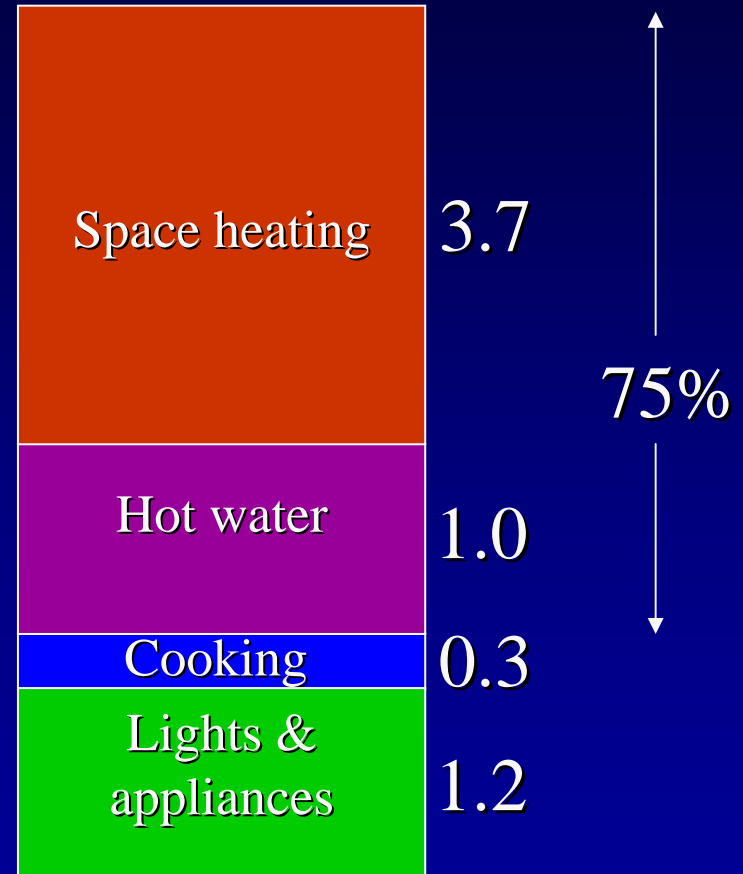
50%



# Typical 30s 3-bed semi

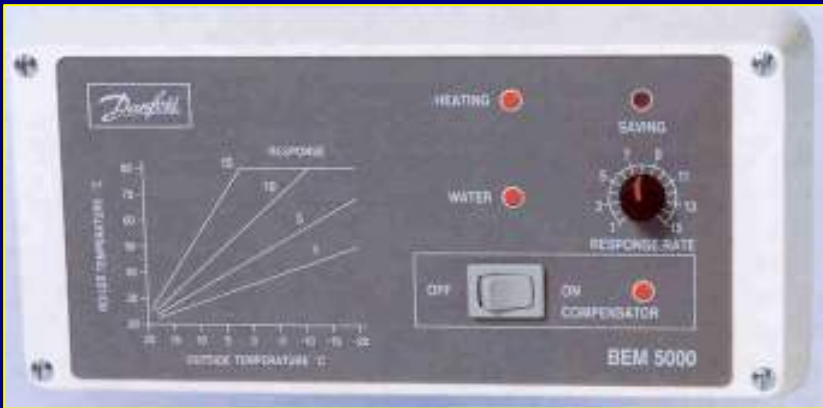
£1,030/yr (£590)

6.2 tonnes



# Improvement measures

- Simple heating measures
- Improved airtightness
- Improved thermal bridging
- Increased insulation
- Low energy lights
- Best Practice standards
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# Improvement measures – heating (15 yrs)

Measure	Cost	CO <sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)	Lifetime CO <sub>2</sub> (kg) saved	£spent/tonne saved
Heating	£450	82	1,230	£366

Capital costs based on a development of 30 houses

8 year life for electrical appliances

15 years for heating

30 years for windows and airtightness measures

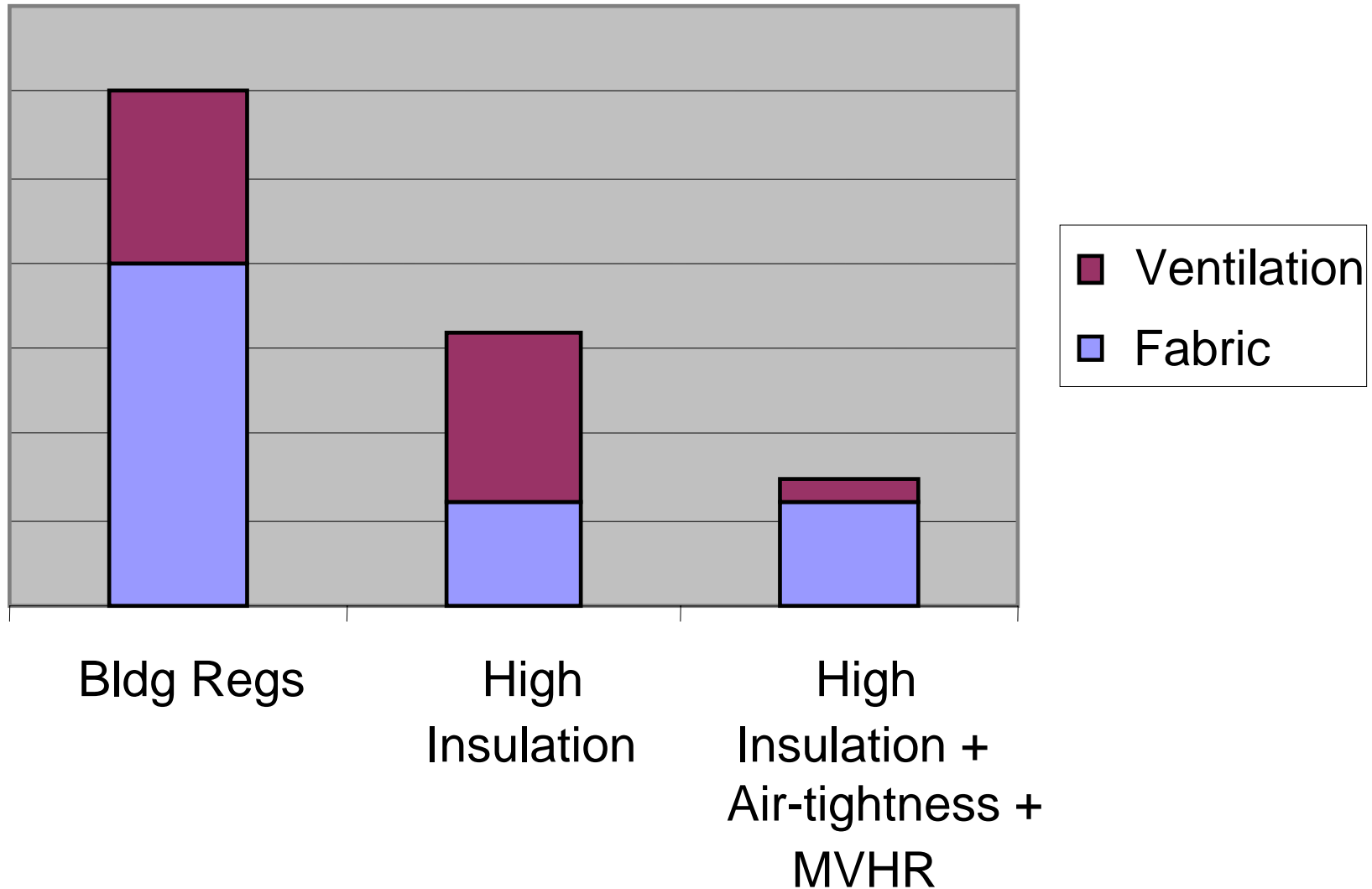
60 years for fabric measures



# Improvement measures

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# Fabric and Ventilation Heat Losses



# Wembley (1998) – $3 \text{ m}^3/(\text{hm}^2)$



# Improvement measures – airtight (30 yrs)

Measure	Cost	CO <sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)	Lifetime CO <sub>2</sub> (kg) saved	£spent/tonne saved
Airtightness	£1,079	86	2,580	£418

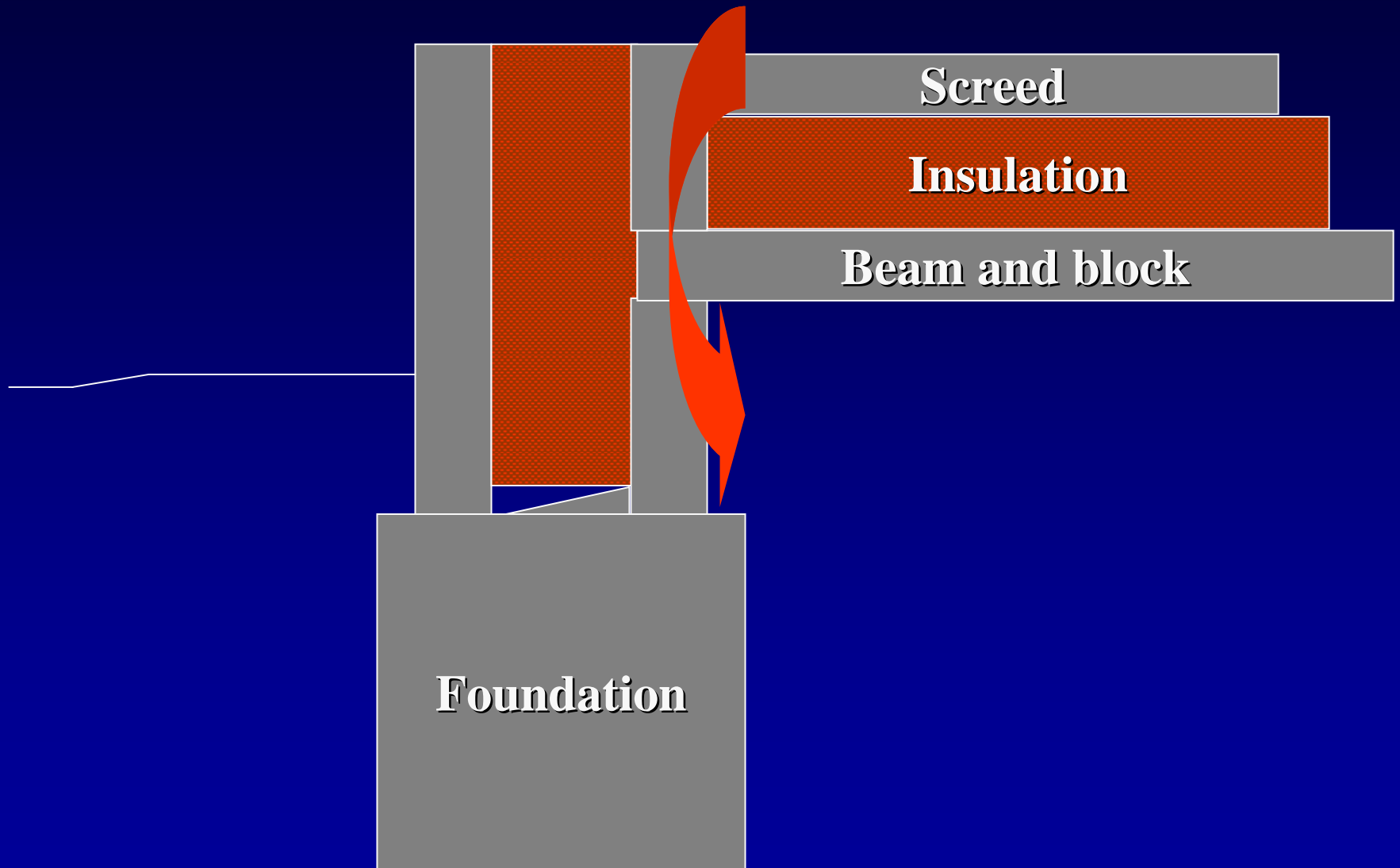
NB Most of cost due to MVHR

# Improvement measures

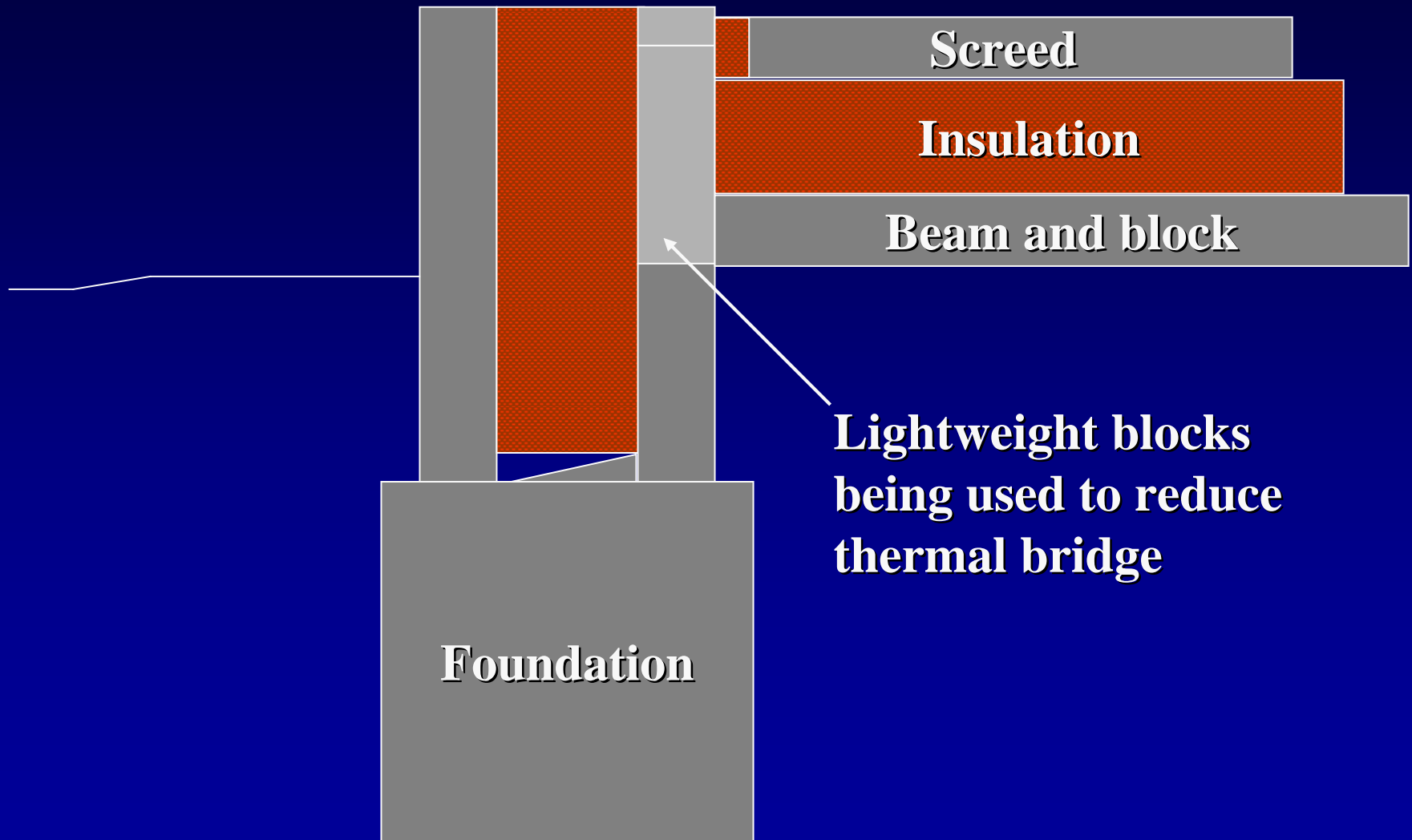
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# Linear thermal bridges



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# Hillcrest Park, Exeter (2004)



# Improvement measures – bridges (30 yrs)

Measure	Cost	CO <sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)	Lifetime CO <sub>2</sub> (kg) saved	£spent/tonne saved
Thermal bridges	£205	92	5,520	£37

NB Other measures to reduce thermal bridging include separate lintels – little if any overcost



# Improvement measures

- Simple heating measures
- Improved airtightness
- Improved thermal bridging
- **Increased insulation**
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# 150 mm fully filled cavities



# Improved insulation U-values

		<u>W/m<sup>2</sup>K</u>
• Walls	150 mm MF	0.21 (0.3)
• Roof	350 mm MF	0.12 (0.14)
• Floor	100 mm PU	0.16 (0.25)
• Windows	super lowE Ar	1.5 (1.8)
• Doors	insulated	1.0 (3.0)

# Improvement measures – insulation (60 yrs)

Measure	Cost	CO <sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)	Lifetime CO <sub>2</sub> (kg) saved	£spent/tonne saved
Insulation	£785	226	13,560	£58



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# 70% Dedicated Low Energy Lighting



# Improvement measures – lighting (8 yrs)

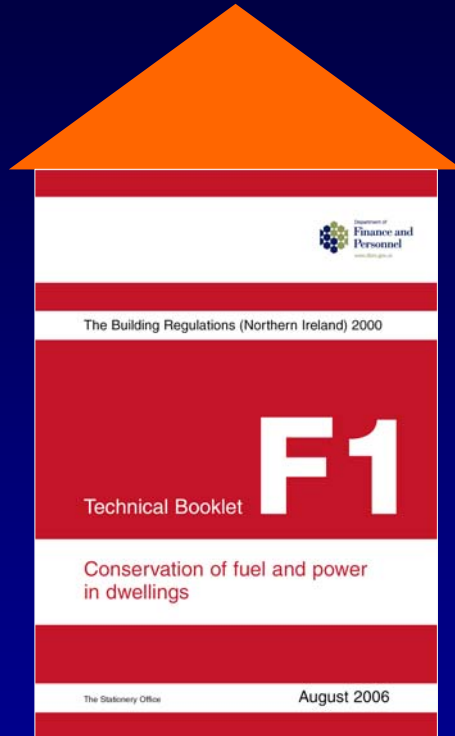
<b>Measure</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)</b>	<b>Lifetime CO<sub>2</sub> (kg) saved</b>	<b>£spent/tonne saved</b>
<b>Insulation</b>	<b>£75</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>£164</b>

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# Interim EST Best Practice standards



TER

$\times 0.75 =$



Best Practice

Additional limits also required

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Best Practice

Additional limits also required

# Improvement measures – Best Practice Std

<b>Measure</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)</b>	<b>Lifetime CO<sub>2</sub> (kg) saved</b>	<b>£spent/tonne saved</b>
<b>Best Practice Standard</b>	<b>£4,294</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>23,634</b>	<b>£182</b>

# Best Practice



~~£590~~ £510

Space heating	<del>£100</del> £20
Hot water	£70
Cooking	£60
Lights & appliances	£300
Stdg Charges	£60

# Best Practice – CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (tonnes pa)



~~2.8~~

2.2

Space heating

~~0.75~~ 0.15

Hot water

0.55

Cooking

0.3

Lights &  
appliances

1.2

# Switching to A rated appliances in all new homes

10,250 tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>/yr

£1.75 million/yr





# Improvement measures –appliances (8 yrs)

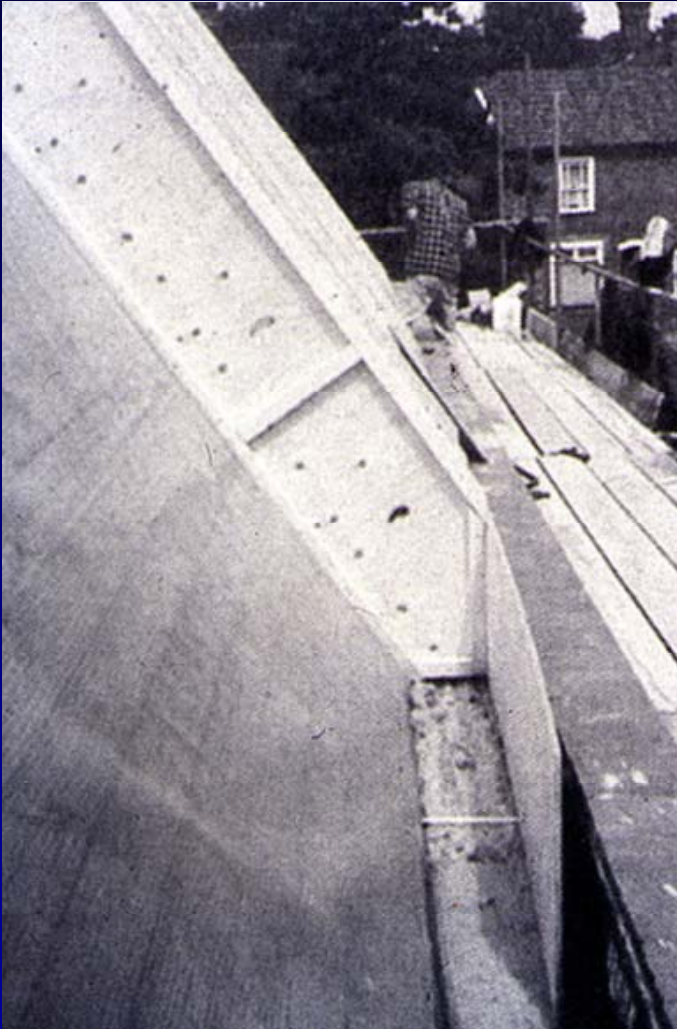
<b>Measure</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)</b>	<b>Lifetime CO<sub>2</sub> (kg) saved</b>	<b>£spent/tonne saved</b>
<b>Electrical appliances</b>	<b>£1,400</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>3,088</b>	<b>£453</b>
<b>Electrical appliances</b>	<b>£300*</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>3,088</b>	<b>£97</b>

**\*marginal extra cost of more efficient system**

# Improvement measures

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# Advanced Standard



		<u>U (W/m<sup>2</sup>K)</u>
Roof	500mm MF	0.08
Walls	250mm MF	0.11
Floor	300mm EPS	0.11
Triple glazed lowE Kr		0.8
1 m <sup>3</sup> /(hm <sup>2</sup> ) @50 Pa		
Advanced MVHR		

# Improvement measures – Advanced std

<b>Measure</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)</b>	<b>Lifetime CO<sub>2</sub> (kg) saved</b>	<b>£spent/tonne saved</b>
<b>Advanced standard</b>	<b>£13,750</b>	<b>1,840</b>	<b>37,500</b>	<b>£367</b>

# Advanced with low energy appliances



£340 (£590)

Hot water	£70
Cooking	£60
Lights & appliances	£150
Stdg Charges	£60

# Advanced Standard – CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



1.4 (2.8)

Hot water	0.55
Cooking	0.3
Lights & appliances	0.6



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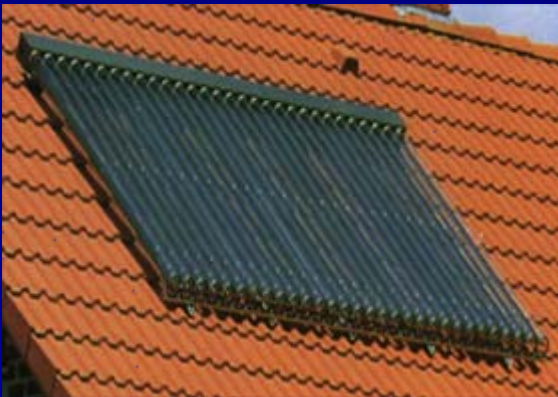
# Renewable technologies



Biomass



Solar  
electric (PV)

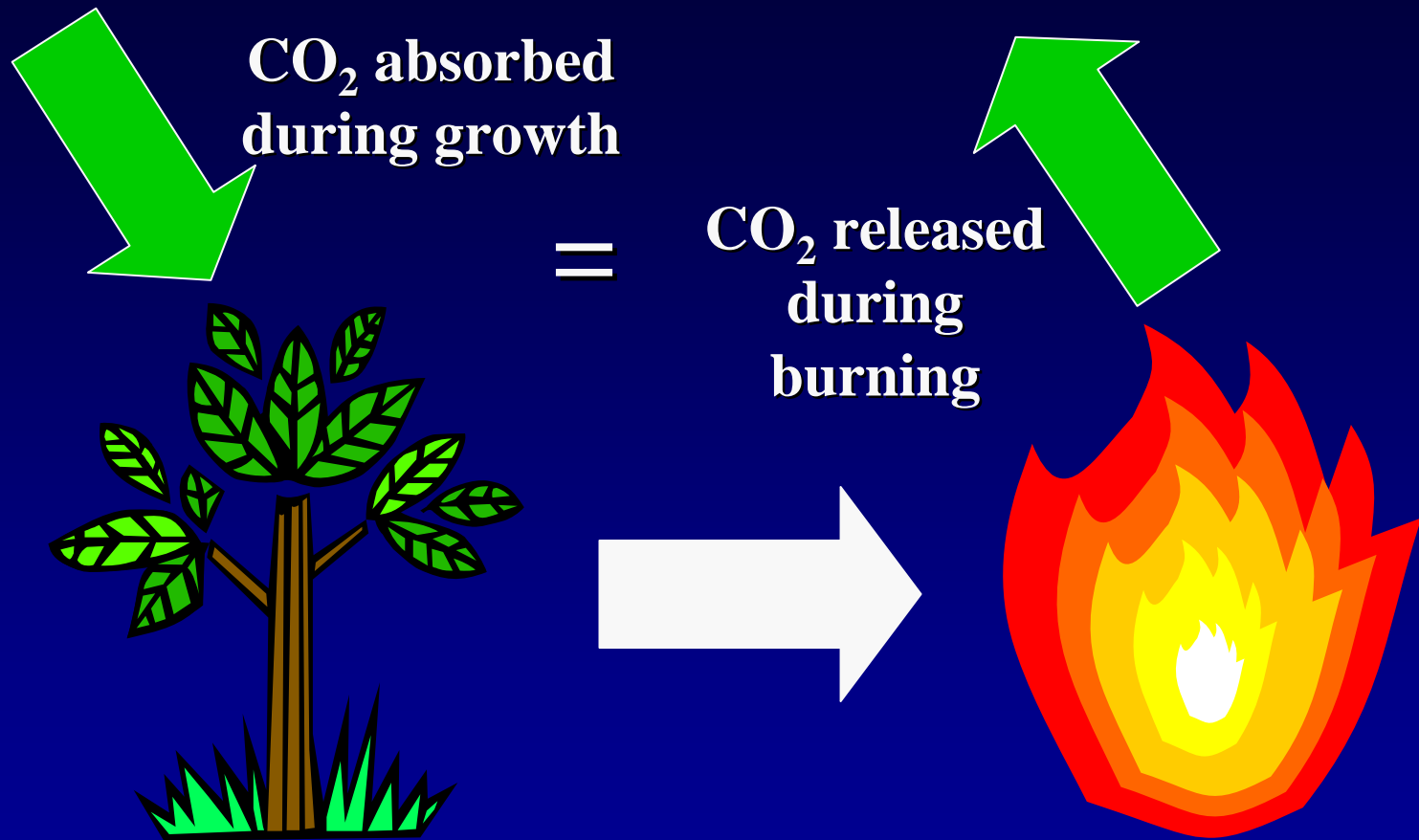


Solar  
thermal



Wind

# Wood fuel – carbon neutral



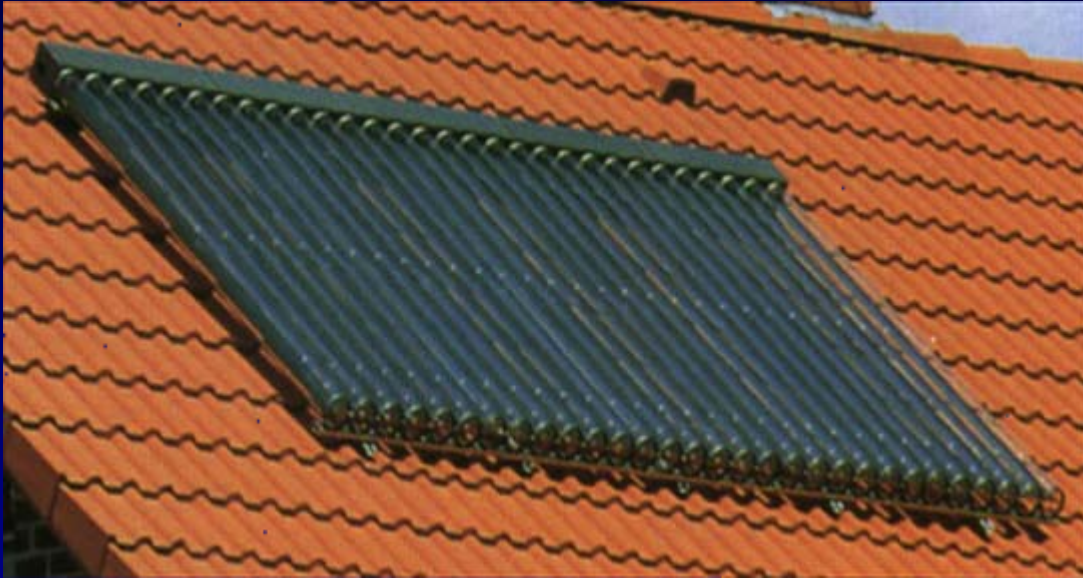
**Little CO<sub>2</sub> released from felling and transportation**

# Improvement measures – wood boiler (15yr)

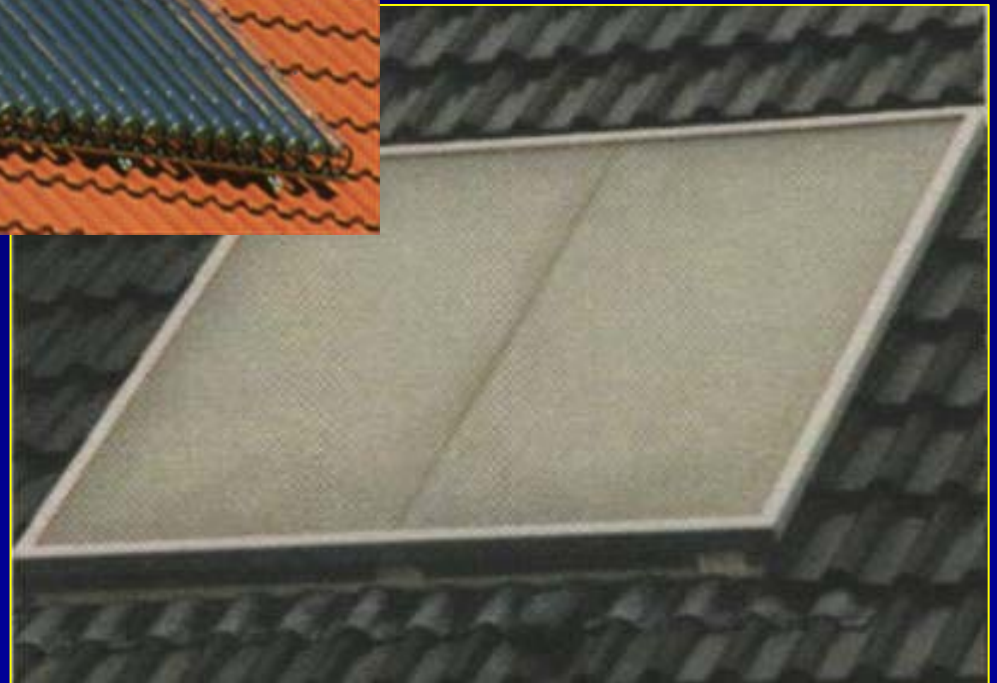
Measure	Cost	CO <sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)	Lifetime CO <sub>2</sub> (kg) saved	£spent/tonne saved
Wood boiler	£5,000	1,042	15,630	£320

- NB Compared to Base Case

# Renewables – solar hot water



Evacuated tubes



Flat plate

# Improvement measures – solar hot water (15 yr)

<b>Measure</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)</b>	<b>Lifetime CO<sub>2</sub> (kg) saved</b>	<b>£spent/tonne saved</b>
<b>Solar hot water</b>	<b>£2,500</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>4,125</b>	<b>£606</b>



# Renewables – solar photovoltaics



Lights & appliances 15 m<sup>2</sup>

All CO<sub>2</sub> emissions 40 m<sup>2</sup>



# Improvement measures – Photovoltaics (15 yr)

<b>Measure</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>CO<sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)</b>	<b>Lifetime CO<sub>2</sub> (kg) saved</b>	<b>£spent/tonne saved</b>
<b>28 m<sup>2</sup> PV</b>	<b>£20,000</b>	<b>1,431</b>	<b>21,470</b>	<b>£932</b>

# Renewables – wind



1kW



5kW



225kW

# Improvement measures – wind power

Measure	Cost	CO <sub>2</sub> saving (kg/yr)	Lifetime CO <sub>2</sub> (kg) saved	£spent/tonne saved
400 W	£1,500	150	1,200 (8 yr)	£1,250
6 kW turbine	£20,000	5,000	50,000 (10)	£400
75 kW turbine	£120,000	60,000	900,000 (15)	£200
850 kW turbine	£1m	740,000	18,450,000 (25)	£55

# Improvement measures – low cost

## Less than £200 / tonne

- Thermal bridges
- Large scale wind power (NOT green tariff!)
- Insulation
- Low energy lights
- Low energy appliances (marginal cost)
- Best Practice standard

# Improvement measures – medium cost

**£200 - £600 / tonne**

- Wood heating & hot water**
- Advanced Standard**
- Improved gas heating**
- Improved airtightness**
- Low energy appliances (whole cost)**



# Improvement measures – high cost

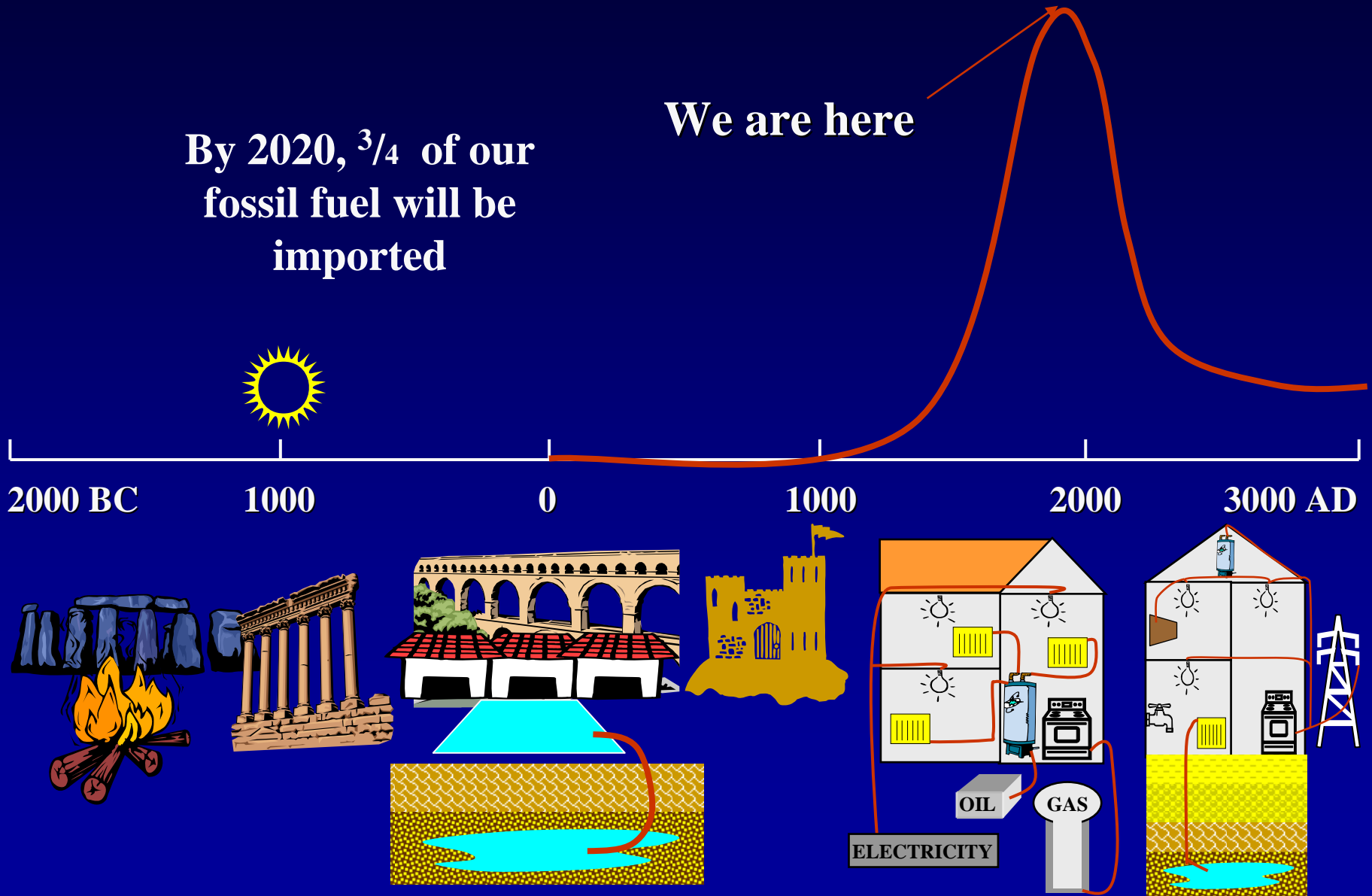
**over £600 / tonne**

- Solar hot water**
- Photovoltaics**
- Small scale wind**

# The double whammy....

By 2020,  $\frac{3}{4}$  of our fossil fuel will be imported

We are here



# The double whammy....

10 years, leading to droughts, agricultural failure and war

## Countdown to global catastrophe

By MICHAEL MCCARTHY  
Environment Editor

THE GLOBAL warming danger threshold for the world is clearly marked for the first time in an international report to be published tomorrow – and the bad news is, the world has nearly reached it already.

The countdown to climate-change catastrophe is spelt out by a task force of senior politicians, business leaders and academics from around the world – and it is remarkably brief. In as little as 10 years, or even less, their report indicates, the point of no return with global warming may have been reached.

The report, *Meeting The Climate Challenge*, is aimed at

### ATMOSPHERIC CARBON DIOXIDE

CO<sub>2</sub> concentration, parts per million



changes. These could include widespread agricultural failure, water shortages and major droughts, increased disease, sea-level rise and the death of

to affect the climate. But it points out that global average temperature has already risen by 0.8 degrees since then, with more rises already in the



# CO<sub>2</sub> emissions lead to climate change



Nine out of ten hottest years in the last decade



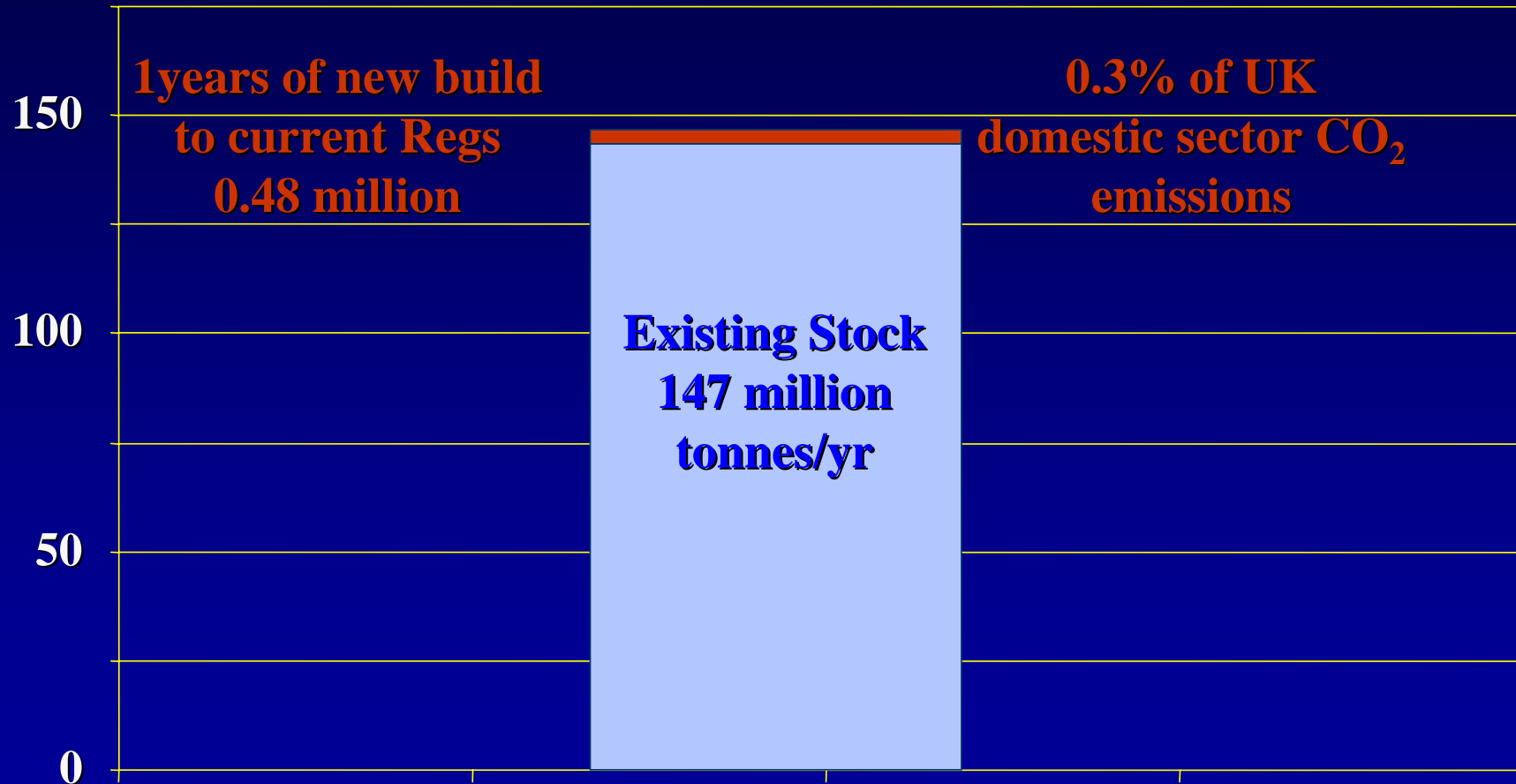
25,000 deaths in 2003 heatwave



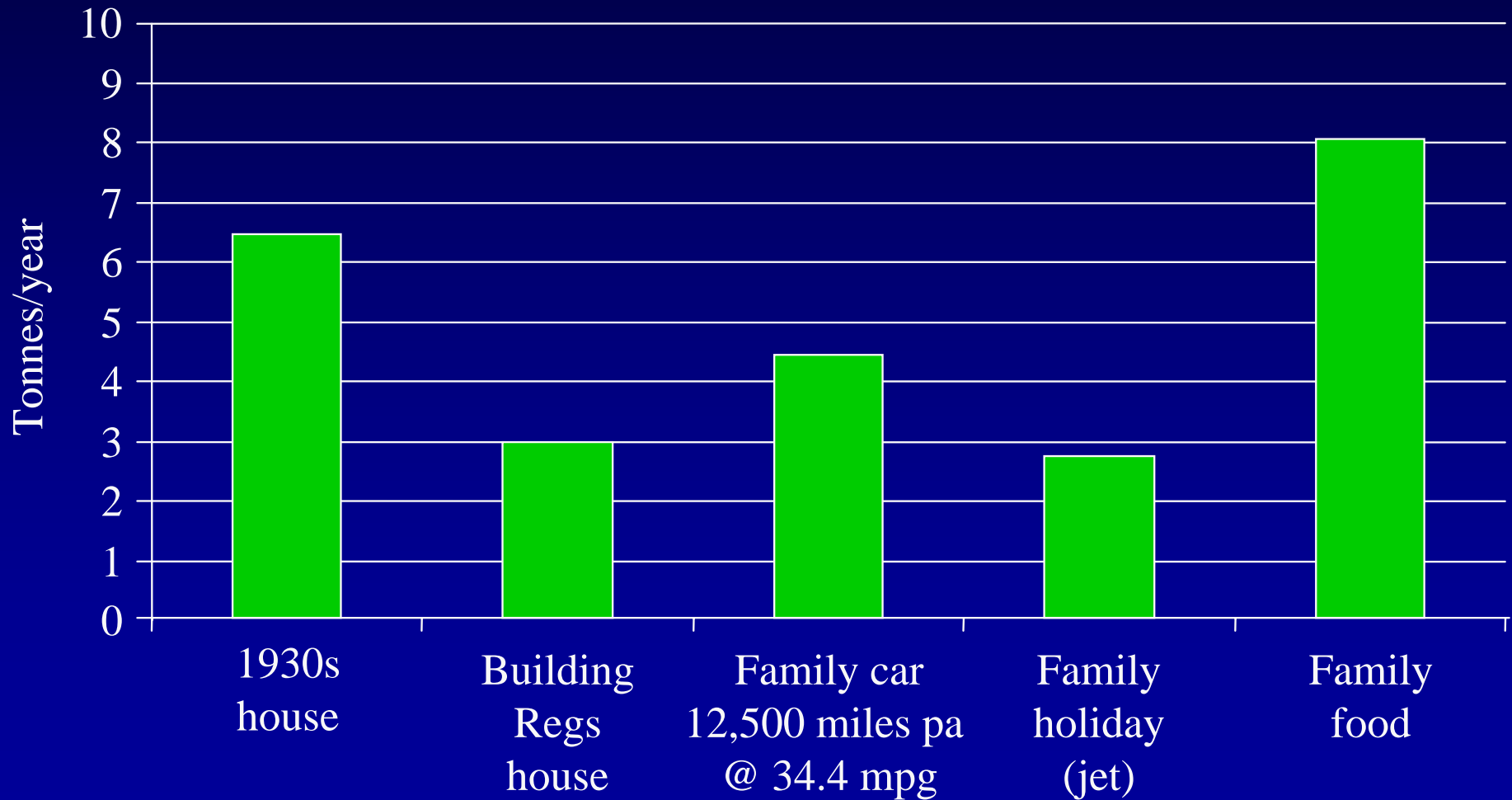
We can't go on adding to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions  
All new dwellings should have zero emissions

# New build or existing stock?

Million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>/yr



# Annual CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions





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