

# STATEWIDE ELECTRICITY AND DEMAND CAPACITY SAVINGS FROM THE IMPLEMENTATION OF IECC CODE IN TEXAS: ANALYSIS FOR SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES



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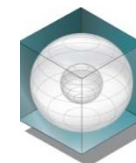
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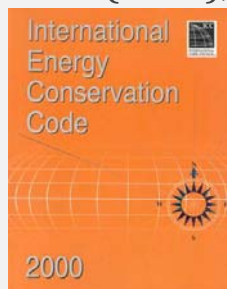
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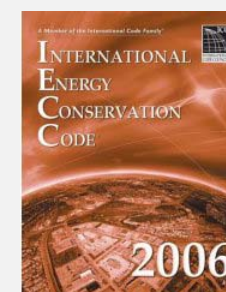
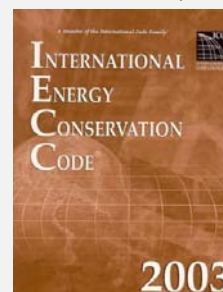
# Introduction (1/2)

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**In September 2001, Texas adopted** the 2000 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), including the 2001 Supplement as the first statewide energy code.



**Improved versions of IECC** have been published and adopted by individual jurisdictions.

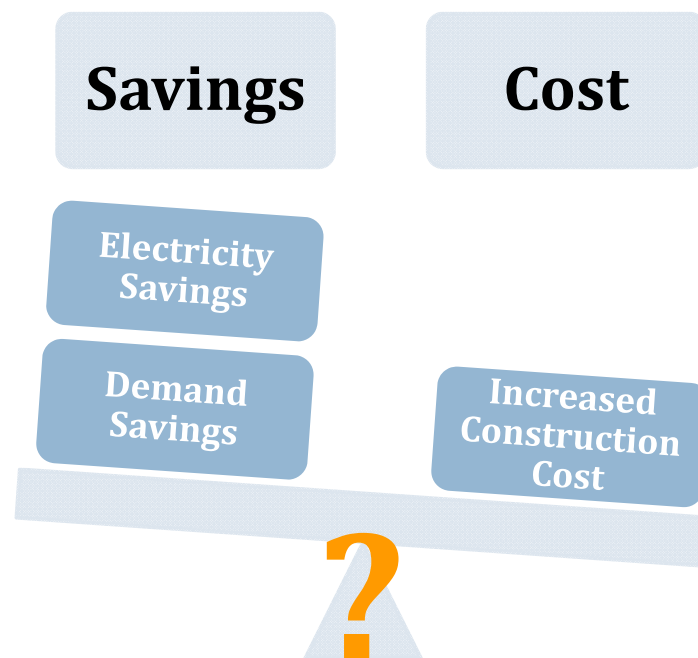


**Has energy code improved the energy efficiency of housing in TX?  
How much savings has been achieved from the code adoption?**

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Hence, this paper presents an analysis of the **statewide electricity and electric demand savings achieved from the adoption of the different IECC versions for single-family residences in Texas**, including the corresponding **construction cost increases** over the eight-year period from 2002 through 2009.



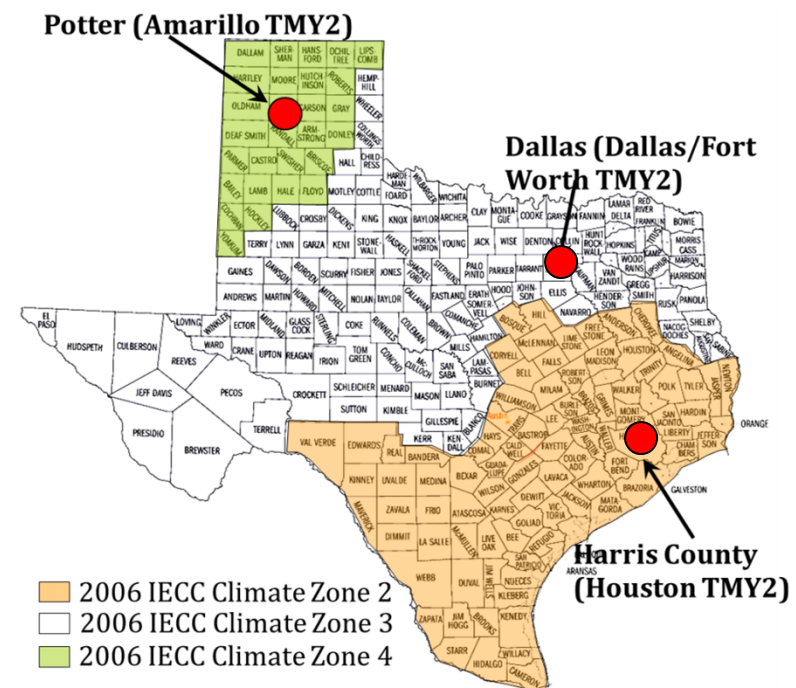
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## Building-Level Analysis

- Calculated “**per-house**” energy savings and peak demand reductions
- ESL simulation model based on the DOE-2.1e of a single-family residence
- Two options by the type of heating fuel
  - **Electric/gas** house:  
Electric cooling, Natural gas heating
  - **Heat pump** house:  
Electric cooling, Heat pump heating
- Three representative counties in Texas
  - **Harris** County (CZ 2)
  - **Tarrant** County (CZ 3)
  - **Potter** County (CZ 4)

**IC3** International  
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COMPLIANCE  
CALCULATOR



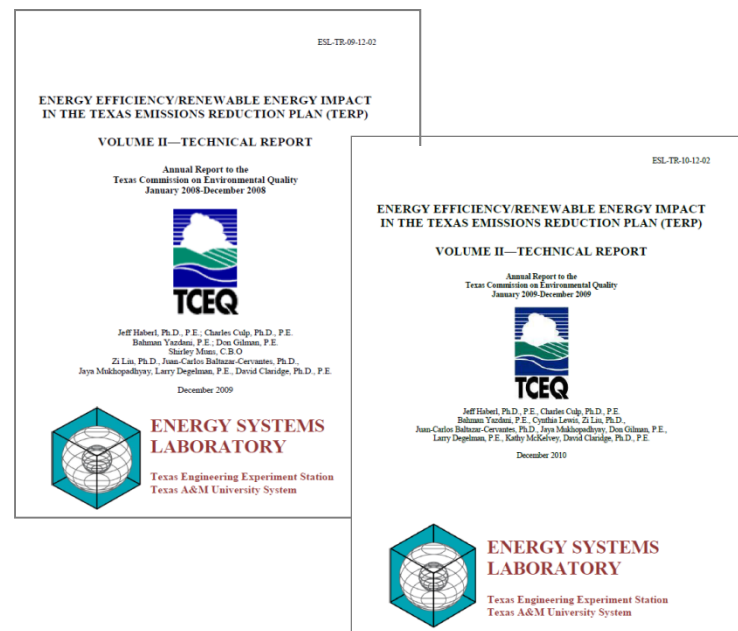
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## State-Level Analysis

### 1) Statewide Electricity Savings

- Calculated using **annual MWh savings from code-compliant, new single-family housing in Texas** reported in the Laboratory's Annual Reports submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)



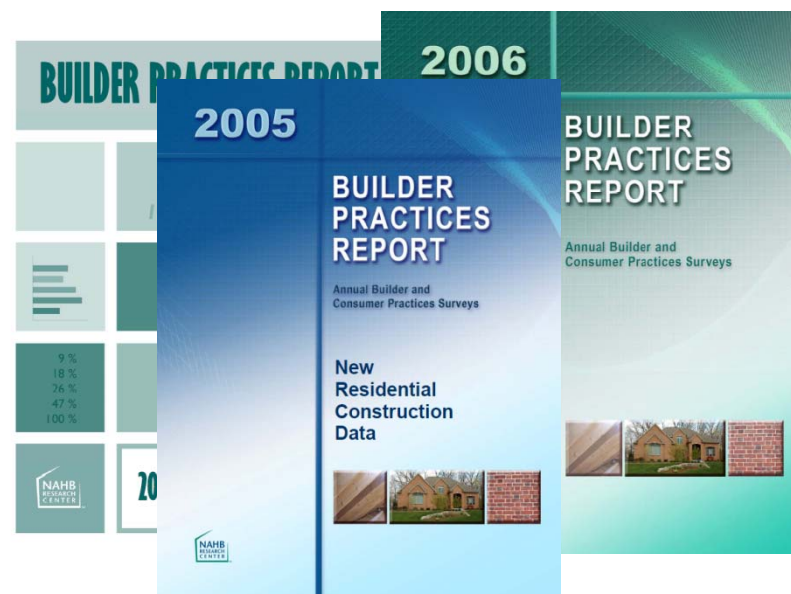
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- Annual statewide MWh savings

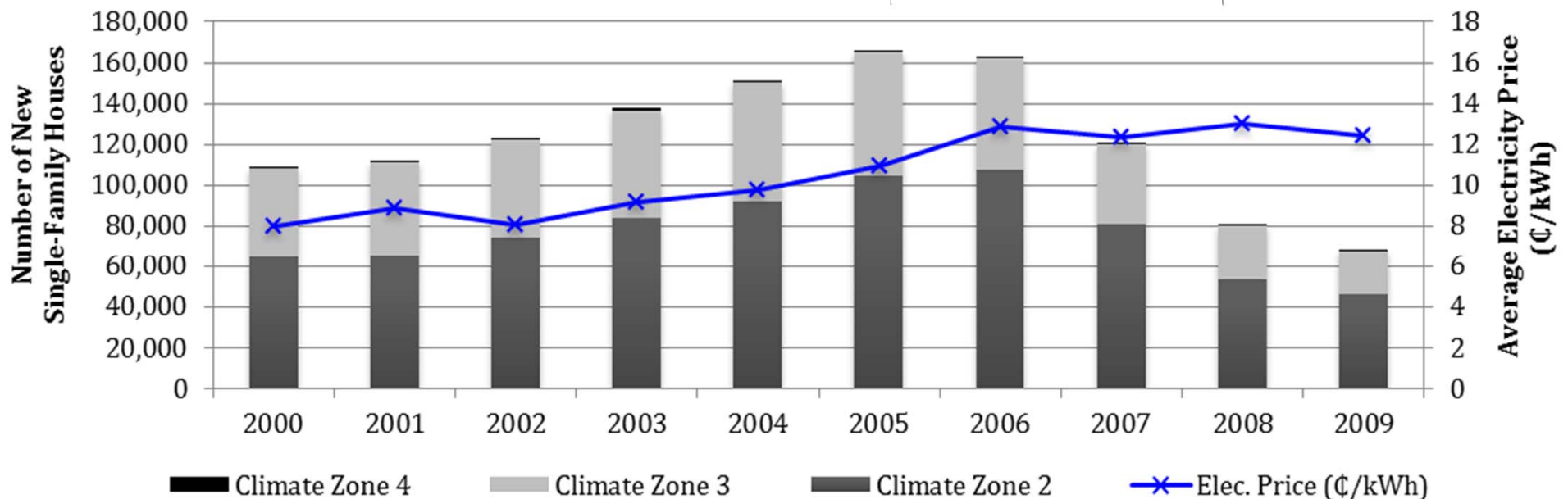
$$=(E_{\text{pre-code}} - E_{\text{year}}) \times \text{Number of new single-family houses}$$

- $E_{\text{pre-code}}$ : annual electricity consumption of a house that has the average characteristics of single-family residences for Texas published by the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) of **1999**
- $E_{\text{year}}$ : annual electricity consumption of a house that has the average characteristics of single-family residences for Texas published by the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) of the **corresponding year**



# Methodology (2/4)

## State-Level Analysis



- Annual statewide electricity savings (\$/yr)  
= MWh savings/yr  
x annual average electricity price (\$/kWh)<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>U.S. DOE EIA (2011)



# Methodology (3/4)

## State-Level Analysis

### 2) Statewide Demand Savings (Avoided construction cost of a peaking plant)

- Calculated using **“Per-house” peak demand reduction** (kW) calculated at the building-level analysis
- Three adjustment factors
  - 10% initial discount factor
  - 7% transmission and distribution loss factor
  - 5% annual degradation factor
- Annual statewide electric demand savings (\$/yr)
  - = “Per-house” demand reduction (kW)
  - x Number of new single-family houses<sup>1</sup>
  - x average capital cost of a NG combined cycle power plant (= \$1,165 /kW)<sup>2</sup>
  - x 15% reserve margin<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup>RECenter 2011

<sup>2</sup>Kaplan 2008

<sup>3</sup>Faruqui et al. 2007

- 2006 IECC was assumed to be adopted across Texas in 2007

# Methodology (4/4)

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## Incremental Cost Analysis

- Increased costs for upgrading major residential building components and systems to comply with the 2001 IECC and the 2006 IECC
- Sources
  - R.S. Means Residential Cost Data
  - Building Codes Assistance Project (BCAP) Incremental Construction Cost Analysis for New Homes
  - American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE) Consumer Guide to Home Energy Savings
  - Other individual studies conducted by the Laboratory (Malhotra et al. 2008; Kim et al. 2010)
- Annual increased construction costs (\$/yr)  
= “Per-house” increased costs  
x Number of new single-family houses<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>RECenter 2011

# Base-Case Building (1/3)

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## Building Envelope

- 2,325 ft<sup>2</sup>, square-shape, one story, single-family detached house
- Vented, unconditioned attic
- Light weight wood frame construction
- 18% window-to-floor ratio (27.1% window-to-wall ratio)
- Other envelope characteristics: climate-specific characteristics as specified in
  - NAHB survey for 1999 construction in TX for pre-code
  - 2001 IECC Chapter 4
  - 2006 IECC Chapter 4

Characteristics	Pre-Code 1999			2001 IECC			2006 IECC		
	CZ 2	CZ 3	CZ 4	CZ 2	CZ 3	CZ 4	CZ 2	CZ 3	CZ 4
	Harris	Tarrant	Potter	Harris	Tarrant	Potter	Harris	Tarrant	Potter
Construction									
Ceiling Insulation (hr-sq.ft.-°F/Btu) <sup>1</sup>	R-27.08	R-26.75		R-30	R-38		R-27.84		R-32.51
Wall Insulation (hr-sq.ft.-°F/Btu) <sup>1</sup>	R-13.99	R-14.18		R-11		R-12/3 c.i.	R-11.8		
Slab Perimeter Insulation	None		R-6	None		R-6	None		R-10
U-Factor of Glazing (Btu/hr-sq.ft.-°F) <sup>1</sup>	1.11	0.87		0.47		0.41	0.75	0.65	0.40
Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) <sup>1</sup>	0.71	0.66		0.40		0.68	0.40		
Exterior Shading	None								
Roof Radiant Barrier	No								

# Base-Case Building (2/3)

## HVAC/DHW System

- HVAC/DHW characteristics: characteristics as specified in
  - NAHB survey for 1999 construction in TX for pre-code
  - 2001 IECC Chapter 4
  - 2006 IECC Chapter 4

Characteristics	Pre-Code 1999			2001 IECC			2006 IECC		
	CZ 2	CZ 3	CZ 4	CZ 2	CZ 3	CZ 4	CZ 2	CZ 3	CZ 4
	Harris	Tarrant	Potter	Harris	Tarrant	Potter	Harris	Tarrant	Potter
<b>Mechanical Systems</b>									
HVAC System Efficiency <sup>1</sup>	(a) Electric/Gas House: SEER 11 AC, 0.80 AFUE furnace			(a) Electric/Gas House: SEER 10 AC <sup>4</sup> , 0.78 AFUE furnace			(a) Electric/Gas House: SEER 13 AC, 0.78 AFUE furnace		
	(b) Heat Pump House: SEER 11 AC, 6.8 HSPF			(b) Heat Pump House: SEER 10 AC <sup>4</sup> , 6.8 HSPF			(b) Heat Pump House: SEER 13 AC, 7.7 HSPF heat pump.		
Cooling Capacity (Btu/hr)				55,800 (= 500 sq. ft./ton)					
Heating Capacity (Btu/hr)				55,800 (= 1.0 x cooling capacity)					
DHW System Type	(a) Electric/Gas House: 40-gallon tank type gas water heater with a standing pilot light			(a) Electric/Gas House: 40-gallon tank type gas water heater with a standing pilot light			(a) Electric/Gas House: 40-gallon tank type gas water heater with a standing pilot light		
	(b) Heat Pump House: 50-gallon tank type electric water heater (without a pilot light)			(b) Heat Pump House: 50-gallon tank type electric water heater (without a pilot light)			(b) Heat Pump House: 50-gallon tank type electric water heater (without a pilot light)		
DHW Heater Energy Factor	(a) Electric/Gas House: 0.544			(a) Electric/Gas House: 0.544			(a) Electric/Gas House: 0.594		
	(b) Heat Pump House: 0.864			(b) Heat Pump House: 0.864			(b) Heat Pump House: 0.904		
Duct Distribution System Efficiency				0.80					
Supply Air Flow (CFM/ton)				360					
Infiltration Rate (SG)				SLA= 0.00057			SLA= 0.00036		

# Base-Case Building (3/3)

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## Space Conditions (Modified)

- Thermostat per IECC 2009 Table 405.5.2(1)
  - 72 F for heating
  - 75 F for cooling
  - No set-back/set-up
- Internal gains per IECC 2006 Table 405.5.2(1)
  - 1.095 kW for lighting and equipment

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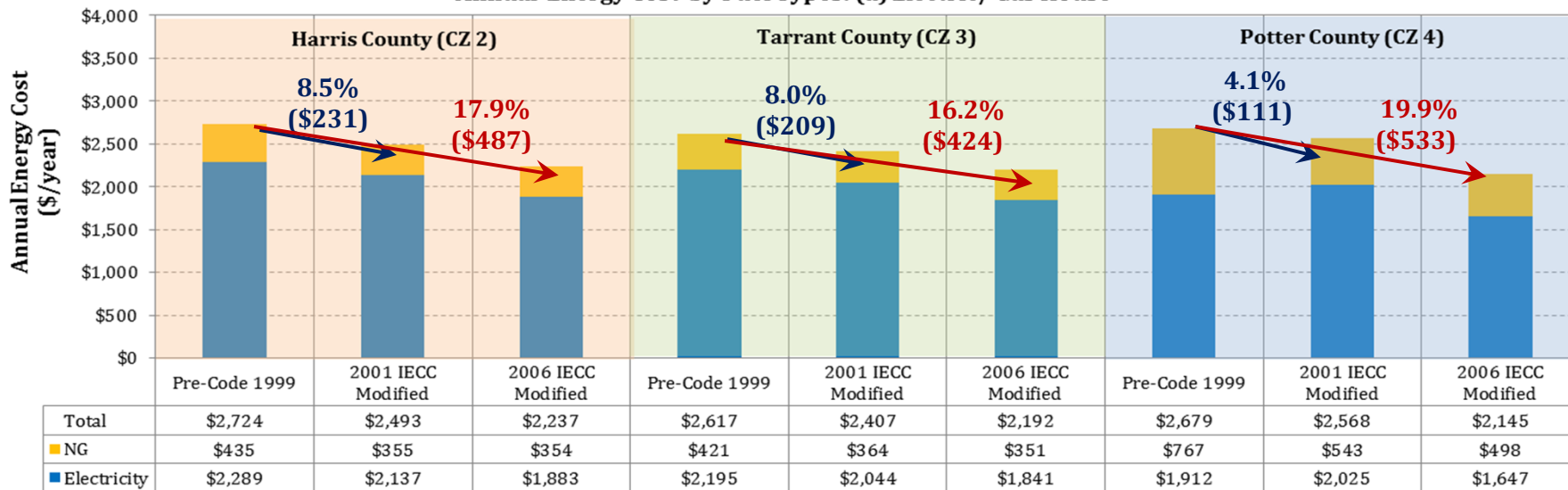
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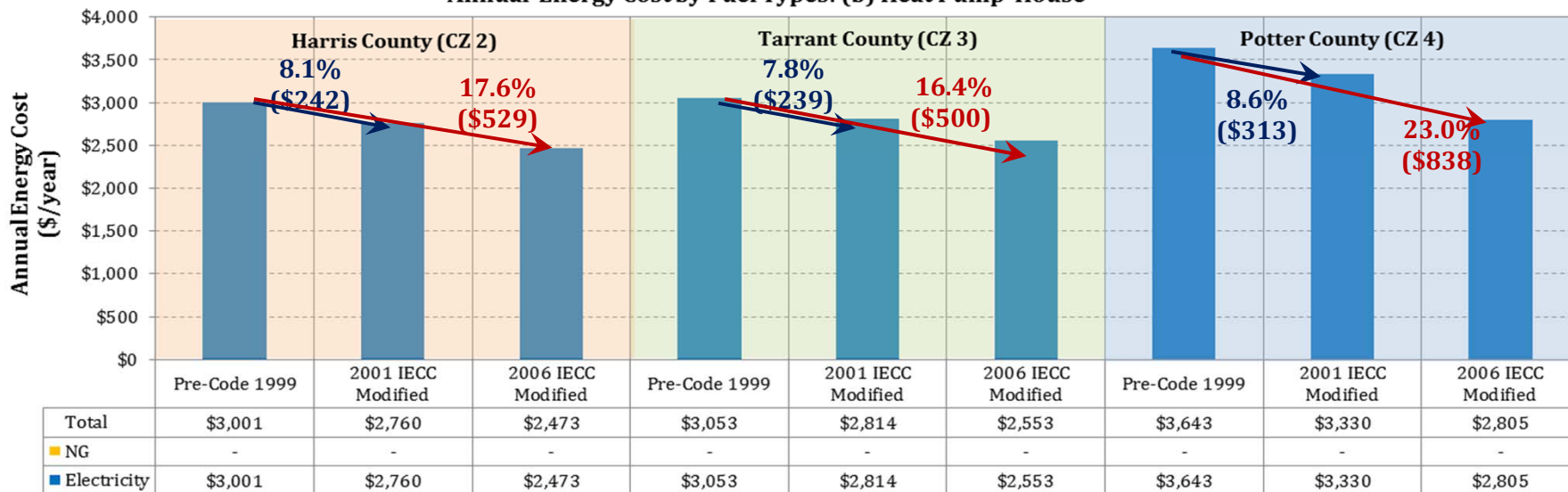


# Results: Per-House Analysis (1/2)

Annual Energy Cost by Fuel Types: (a) Electric/ Gas House

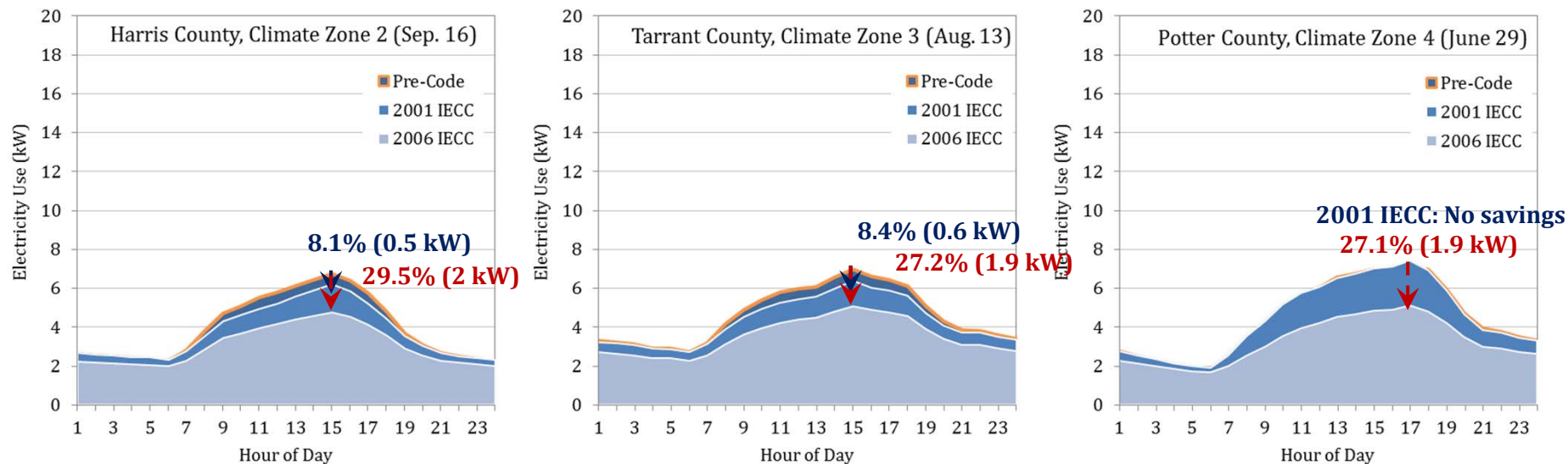


Annual Energy Cost by Fuel Types: (b) Heat Pump House

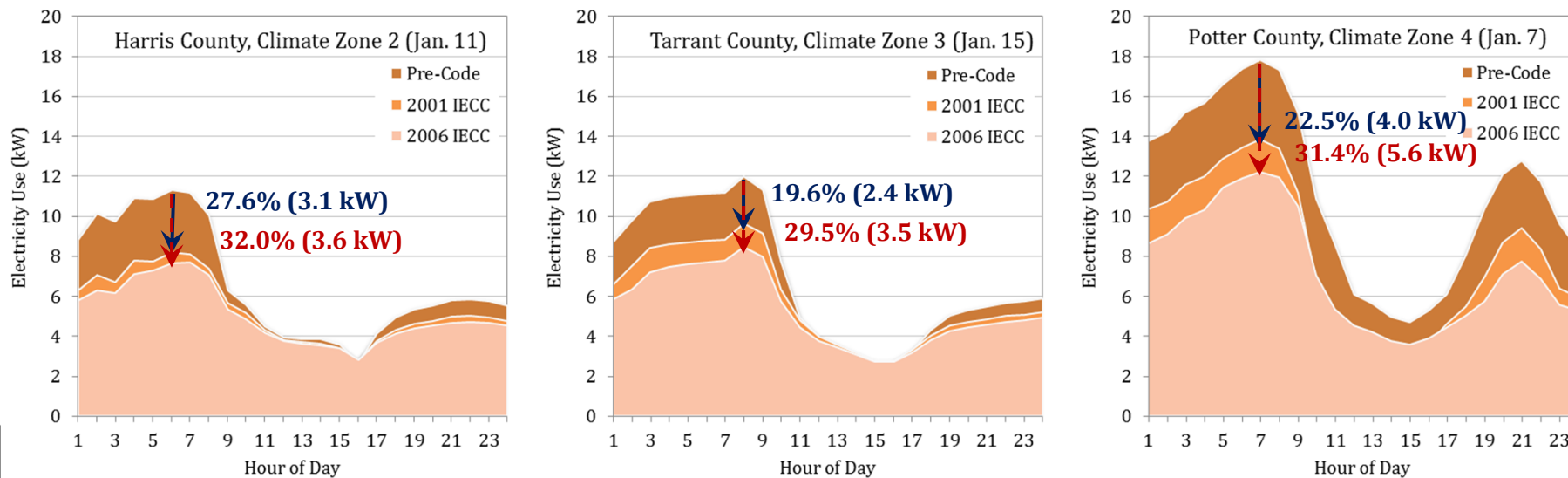


# Results: Per-House Analysis (2/2)

(a) Peak Summer Day Hourly Electricity Use for both Electric/Gas and Heat Pump House



(b) Peak Winter Day Hourly Electricity Use for a Heat Pump House



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# Results: Incremental Cost Analysis

### Climate Zone 2

Components	Pre-Code	2001 IECC	2006 IECC	Change Per Sq. Ft.		Sq. Ft /Linear Ft	Total Change		Reference
				2001 IECC	2006 IECC		2001 IECC	2006 IECC	
Ceiling Insulation	<b>R-27</b>	R-30	R-30	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.11	2,548	\$ 229	\$ 280	RSMeans 2002 and 2007
Window U/SHGC	<b>1.11/0.71</b>	0.52/0.40	0.75/0.40	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.00	247	\$ 371	\$ 247	BCAP 2010; ESL-TR-10-11-01
Wall Insulation	<b>R-14</b>	R-11	R-13	\$ -	\$ -	1,778	\$ -	\$ -	
Slab Insulation	<b>NR</b>	NR	NR	\$ -	\$ -	202	\$ -	\$ -	
AC SEER	<b>11</b>	10	13	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ 300	10% of 5 ton AC cost (\$2900), RSMeans 2007
Gas DHW EF	<b>0.54</b>	0.54	0.59	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ 175	ACEEE 2007 (0.60 EF to 0.65 EF)
Electric DHW EF	<b>0.86</b>	0.86	0.90	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ 75	ACEEE 2007 (0.90 EF to 0.95 EF)

### Climate Zone 3

Ceiling Insulation	<b>R-27</b>	R-30	R-30	\$ 0.09	\$ 0.11	2,426	\$ 218	\$ 267	RSMeans 2002 and 2007
Window U/SHGC	<b>0.87/0.66</b>	0.50/0.40	0.65/0.40	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.00	373	\$ 560	\$ 373	BCAP 2010; ESL-TR-10-11-01
Wall Insulation	<b>R-14</b>	R-11	R-13	\$ -	\$ -	1,814	\$ -	\$ -	
Slab Insulation	<b>NR</b>	NR	NR	\$ -	\$ -	197	\$ -	\$ -	
AC SEER	<b>11</b>	10	13	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ 300	10% of 5 ton AC cost (\$2900), RSMeans 2007
Gas DHW EF	<b>0.544</b>	0.544	0.594	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ 175	ACEEE 2007 (0.60 EF to 0.65 EF)
Electric DHW EF	<b>0.86</b>	0.86	0.90	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ 75	ACEEE 2007 (0.90 EF to 0.95 EF)

### Climate Zone 4

Ceiling Insulation	<b>R-27</b>	R-38	R-38	\$ 0.27	\$ 0.19	2,426	\$ 655	\$ 461	RSMeans 2002 and 2007
Window U/SHGC	<b>0.87/0.66</b>	0.37/NR	0.40/NR	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.50	373	\$ 560	\$ 560	BCAP 2010; ESL-TR-10-11-01
Wall Insulation	<b>R-14</b>	R-11	R-12/3.1 c.i.	\$ -	\$ -	1,814	\$ -	\$ -	BCAP 2010
Slab Insulation	R-6, 2ft	R-6, 2ft	R-10, 2ft	\$ -	\$ 1.26	197	\$ -	\$ 248	BCAP 2010 (R5 to R10: \$1.26)
AC SEER	<b>11</b>	10	13	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ -	\$ 300	10% of 5 ton AC cost (\$2900), RSMeans 2007
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# Results: Statewide Cost Savings (1/4)

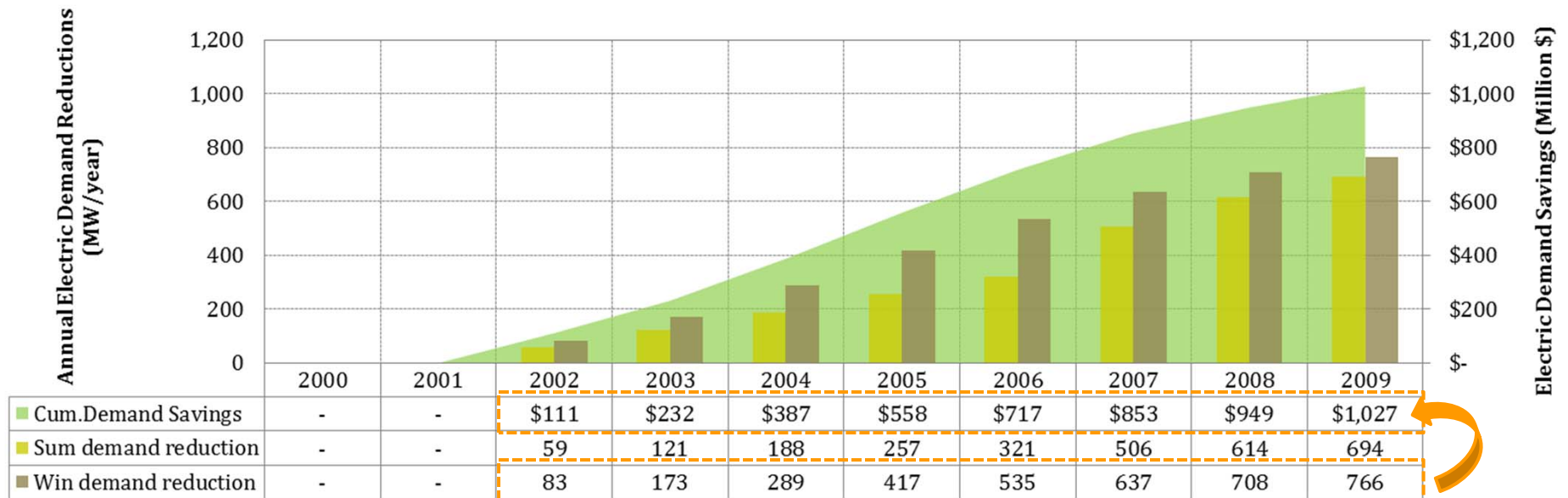
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## Annual and Cumulative Statewide **Electricity Savings** from the IECC Code Adoption for New SF Residences in Texas: 2002-2009



# Results: Statewide Cost Savings (2/4)

## Annual Statewide Electric Demand Reductions and Electric Demand Savings from the IECC Code Adoption for New SF Residences in Texas: 2002-2009

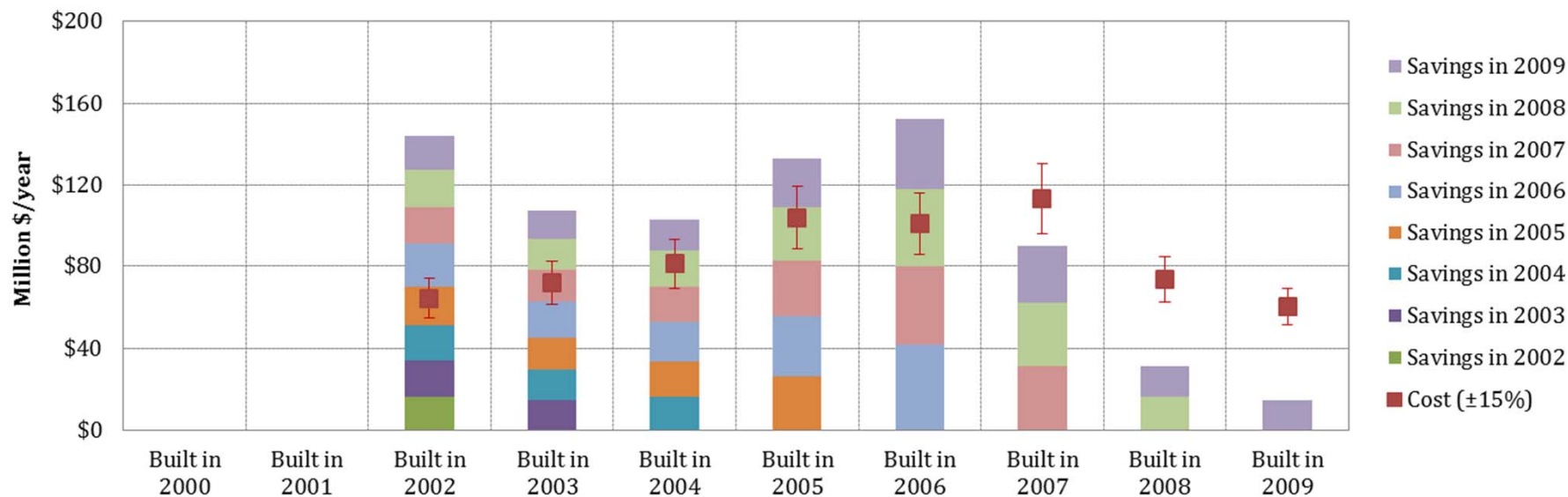


Demand saving calculated using summer reduction: \$ 929 million (90% of winter savings)



# Results: Statewide Cost Savings (3/4)

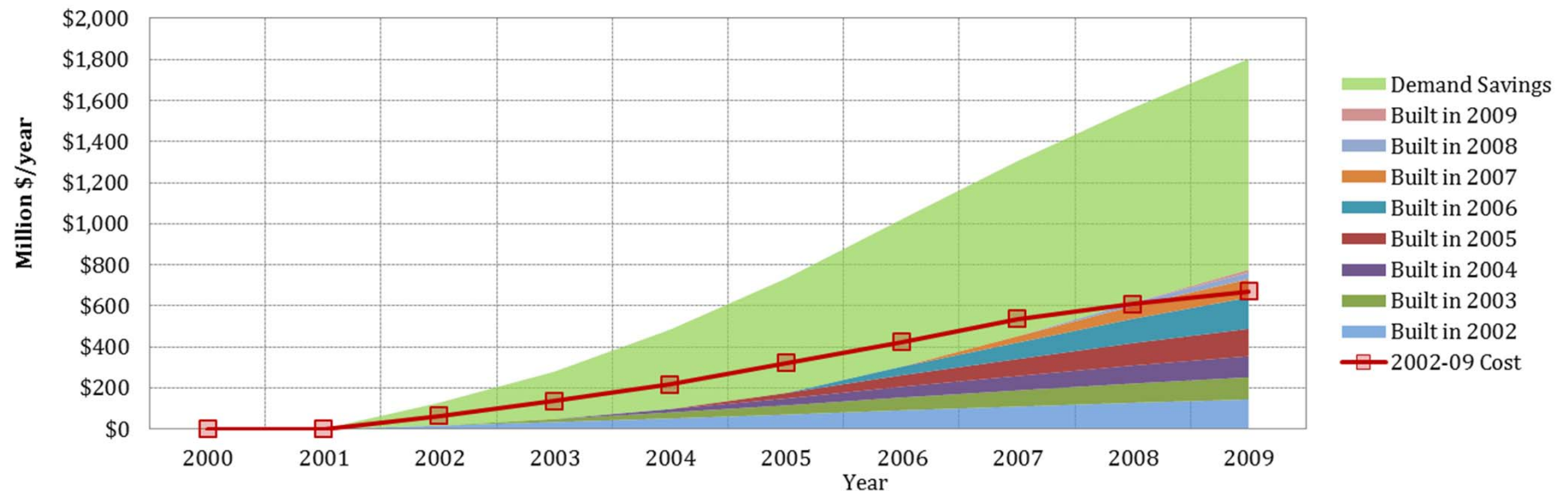
## Annual Increased Costs and Statewide Electricity Savings by Construction Year of Houses



# Results: Statewide Cost Savings (4/4)

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## Cumulative Increased Costs, Statewide Electricity Savings, and Electric Demand Savings Associated with the IECC Code Adoption for SF Residences in Texas: 2002-2009



# Summary (1/2)

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## Statewide electricity savings and electric demand savings from the IECC code adoption for SF residences in Texas (2002-2009)

- ESL simulation model based on the DOE-2.1e of a single-family residence
- Three adjustment factors
  - 10% initial discount factor
  - 7% transmission and distribution loss factor
  - 5% annual degradation factor
- Annual average prices of Texas residential electricity published by the U.S. DOE EIA
- Avoided construction cost of a peaking plant:  
Capital cost of a NG combined-cycle power plant with a 15% reserve margin



# Summary (2/2)

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## Results

- Building level analysis for three representative counties

	Electricity savings	Electric demand savings	Increased construction costs
2001 IECC	\$111 ~ \$313	0 ~ 0.6 kW for summer 2.4 ~ 4 kW for winter	\$600 ~ \$1215
2006 IECC	\$424 ~ \$838	1.9 ~ 2.0 kW for summer 3.5 ~ 5.6 kW for winter	\$902 ~ \$1,744

- Statewide level analysis

	Electricity savings	Electric demand savings	Total Savings	Increased construction costs
Statewide (2002 -2009)	\$776 million	\$929 million OR (summer reductions)  \$1,027 million (winter reductions)	<b>\$1,705 million OR</b> <hr/> <b>\$1,803 million</b>	<b>\$670 million</b>

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