

# Buildings in Smart Cities: Reducing their Environmental Impact

## OVERVIEW

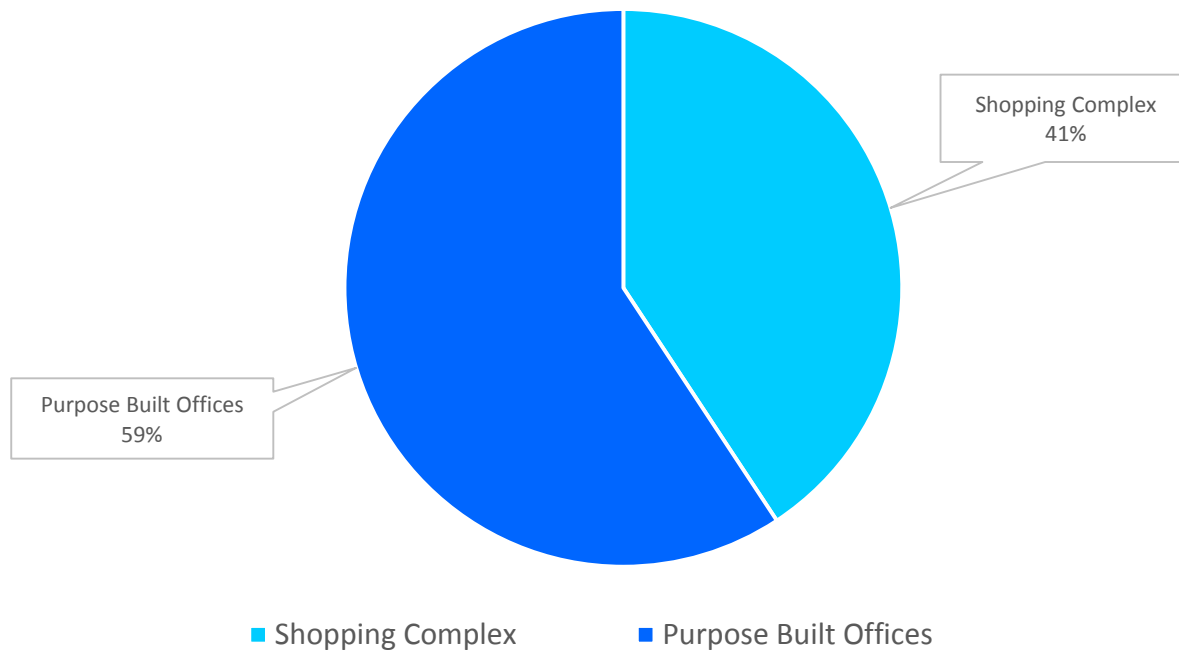
1. Buildings, Energy & Carbon Emissions & Malaysia
2. Impact of Sustainable Certification – Green Building Index (GBI) on the Commercial Sector
3. Enhancing the Value Certification
4. Case Study:
  - a) Singapore
  - b) Denmark
5. Summary

## The Built Environment & Energy

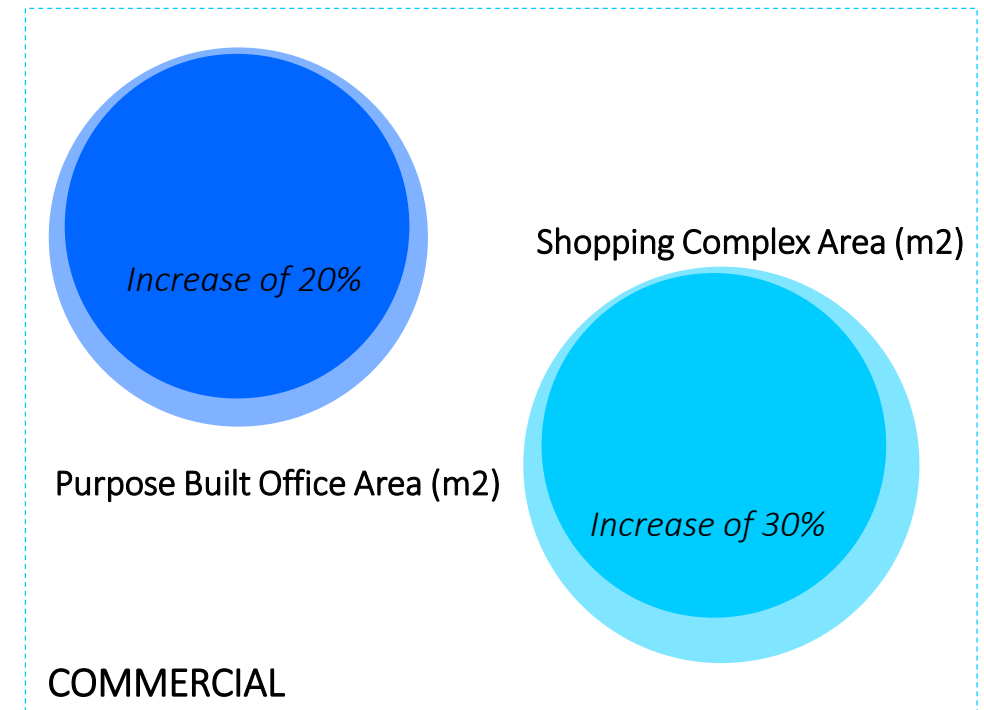
*"It is estimated that at present, buildings contribute as much as one third of total global greenhouse gas emissions, primarily through the use of fossil fuels during their operational phase"*

*(IPCC Note on the Built Environment's Carbon Emissions)*

Malaysia- Shopping Complex & Purpose Built Offices  
Existing Supply GFA in 2015



## Malaysia's Building Stock Growth from 2010 to 2015



# Green Building Certification Uptake

## GBI Offices + Shopping Malls

*Approximately 15% of the total non-residential building stock in Malaysia has obtained a GBI Certification*

### How much energy consumption & carbon emissions are we decreasing?

Total Existing GFA (m2) = 33,960,765

Total GBI Certified GFA (m2) = 5,218,024

Total Estimated Elec Consumption if Business-as-Usual (MWh per year) = 10,527,837

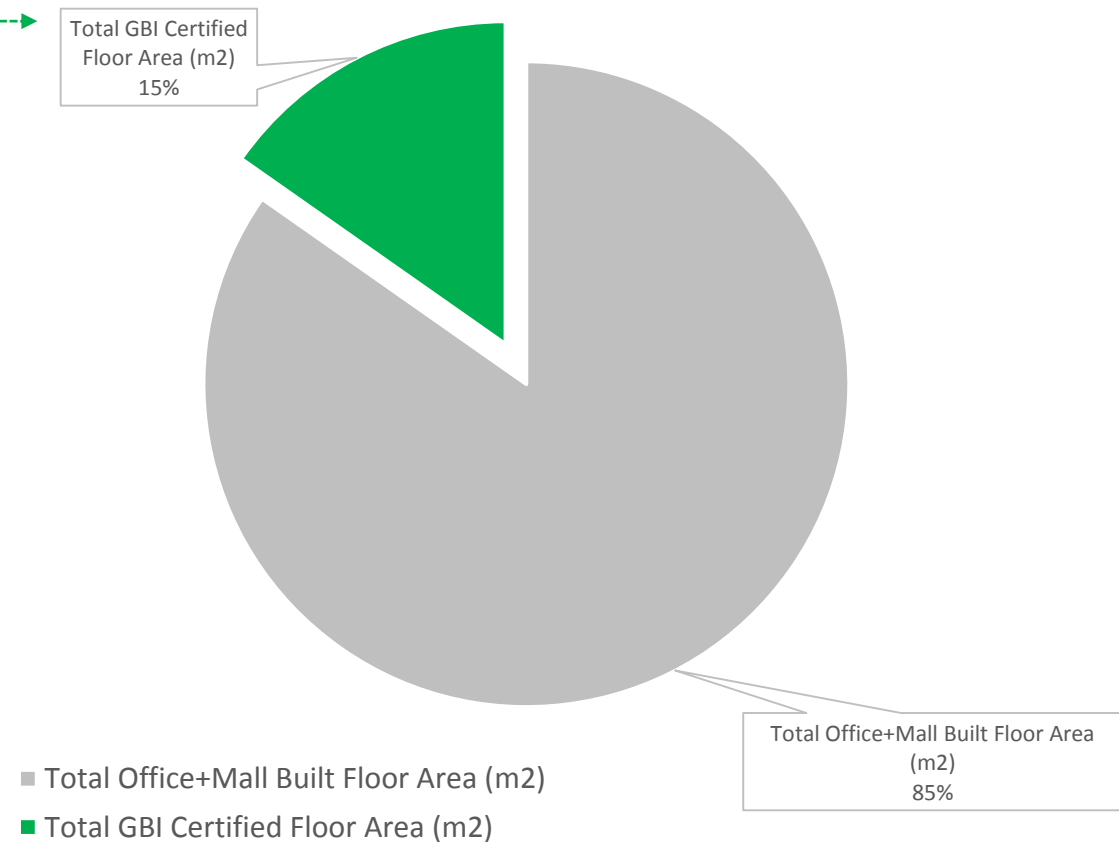
Decreased Elec Consumption w GBI Certification Uptake (MWh per year) = 559,633

Decreased CO2 (tonne per year) = 491,078

# 5%

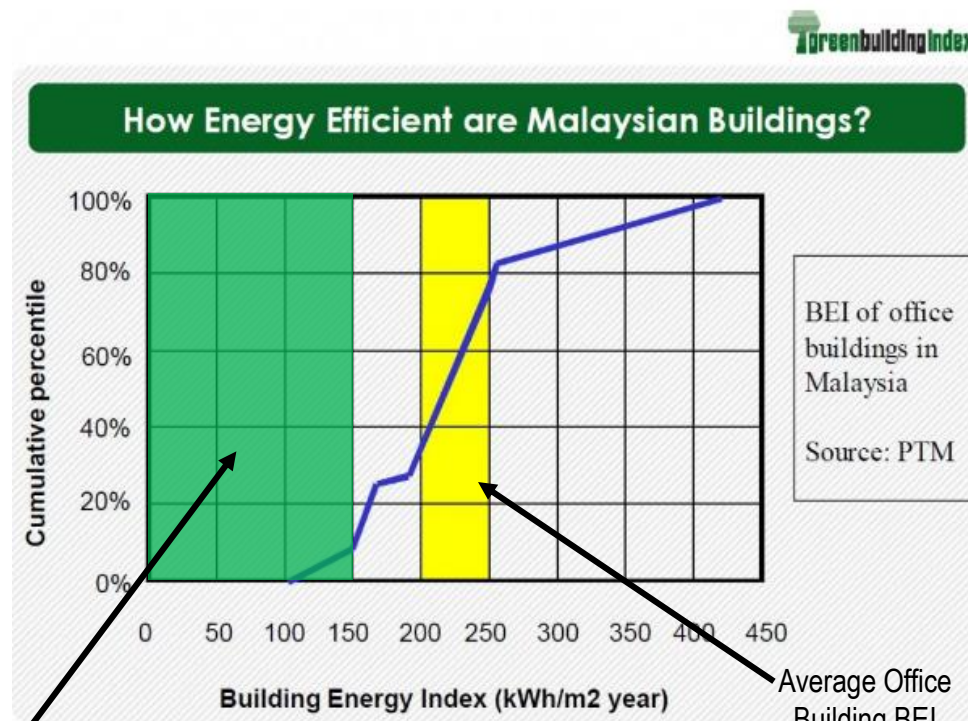
**Overall decrease in Building Energy Intensity (BEI) due to GBI Certification.** This corresponds to saving 10kWh per m2 per year

### Percentage GBI Certified vs. Non-Certified Commercial Building Floor Area (2015)

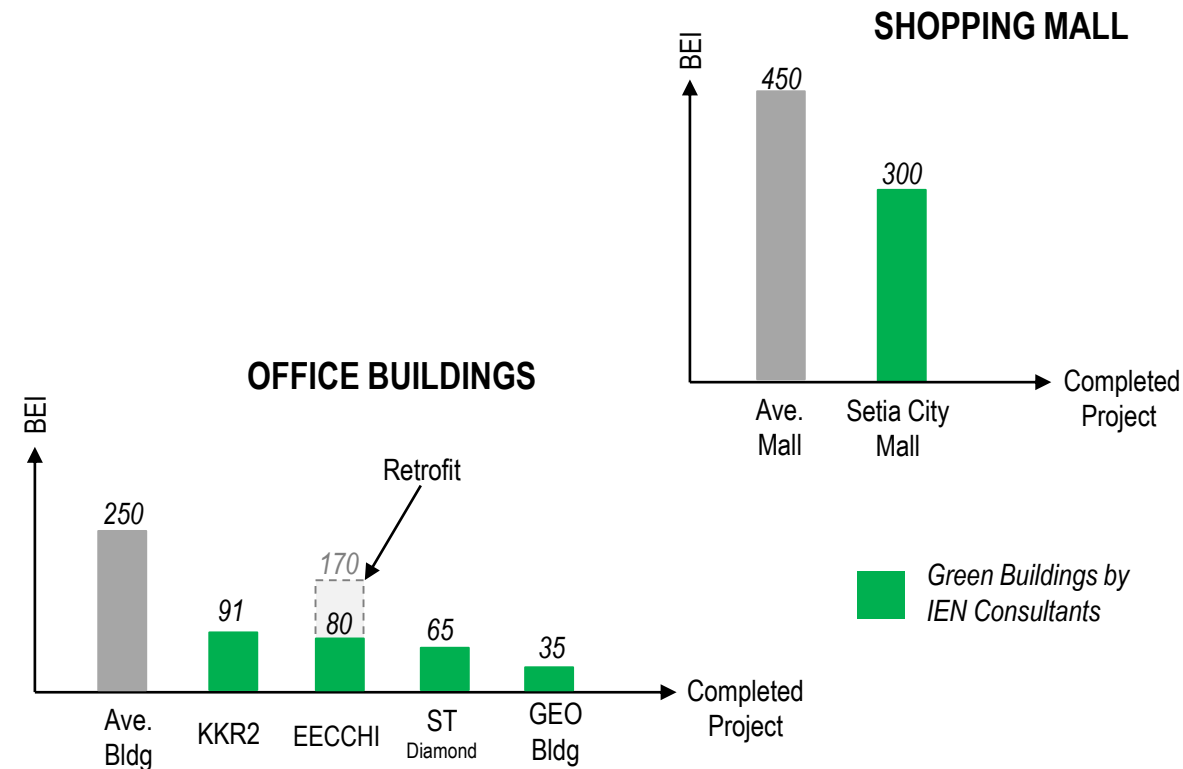


# What are the energy saving potentials GBI & Case Studies?

## GBI Offices + Shopping Malls



Building BEI to attain GBI Points



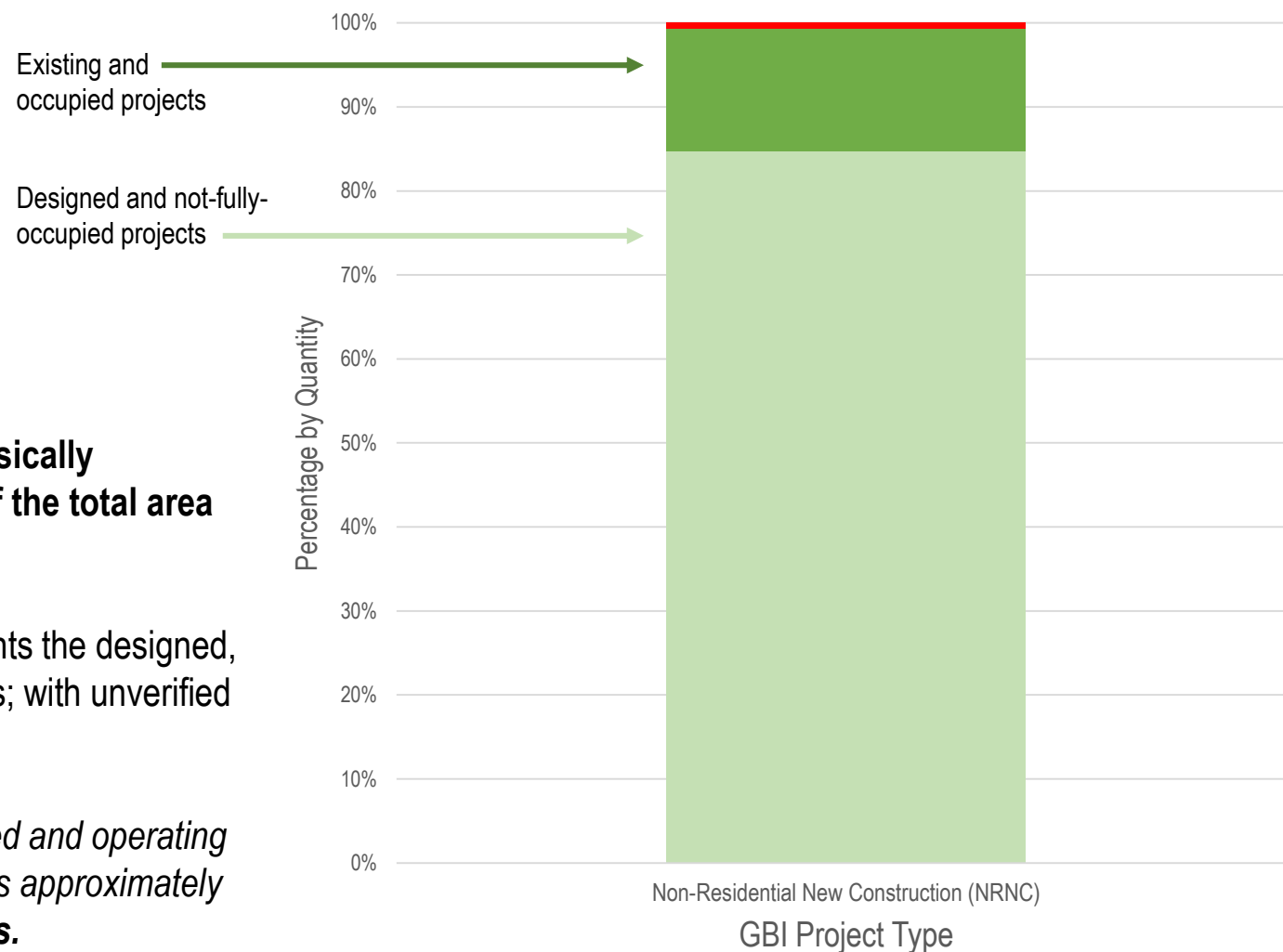
### Compared to the average office building....

GBI Certified Office buildings fare better; with an average overall decrease of energy demand of 100kWh/m<sup>2</sup> per year. But they can do a lot better as noted above....

# What stage are the green buildings in?

## GBI Offices + Shopping Malls

### GBI Non-Residential Projects by Certification Stage



### However;

Of the total GBI Certified projects considered, the **physically constructed and occupied projects (by quantity) of the total area considered as GBI Certified is noted in dark green.**

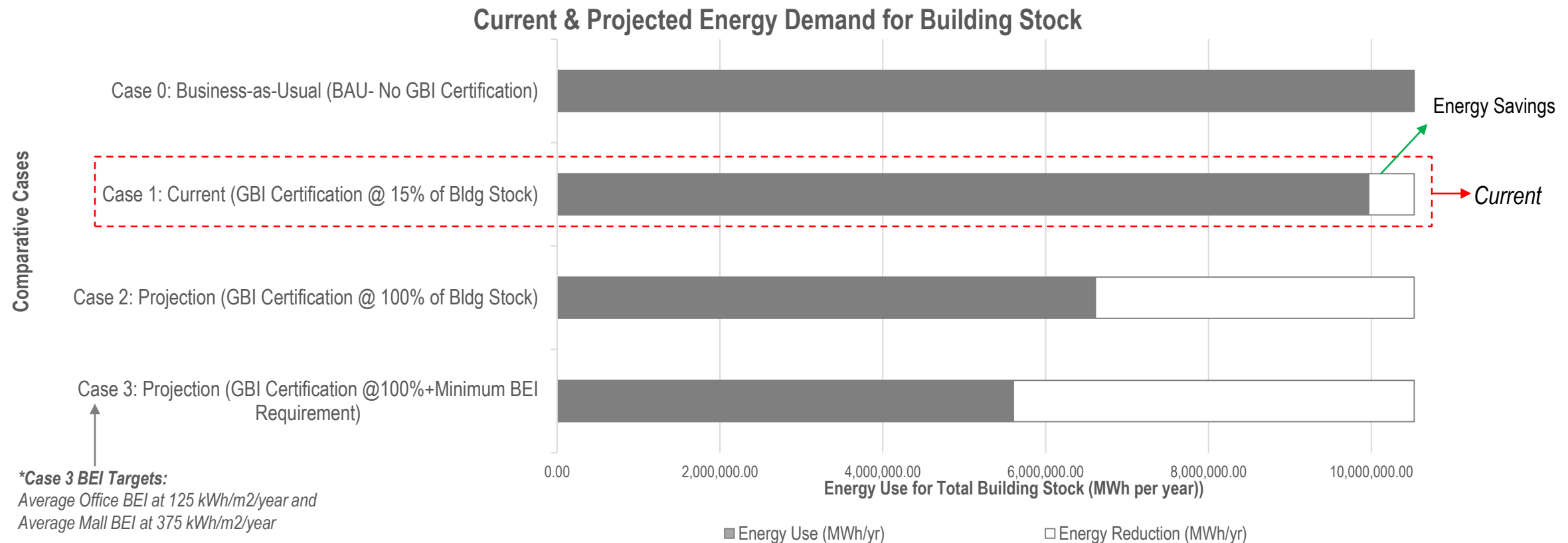
The highlighted **light green** area in the graph represents the designed, on-going construction and not fully operational projects; with unverified savings of energy.

*This highlights that the physically constructed, occupied and operating GBI Certified NRNC buildings in Malaysia in 2015- was approximately **15% of the estimated GBI NRNC Certified Buildings.***

■ Provisional Design Certification (DA) ■ Final Constructed Certified Buildings (CVA) ■ Renewal Certification

# What is the Potential for Savings with Mandatory Policies?

## GBI Offices + Shopping Malls



IF mandatory Green Building Certification and Energy Efficiency targets for building performance implemented for **ALL** buildings; the total building emissions should be decreased by almost 50%.

\*EE Policies to consider overall BEI Reduction target- which include, but are not limited to incorporating daylight usage, air conditioning usage,

\*\*Building stock growth and efficient technology assumed at 10% over 5 years- therefore, balancing each other out

GBI Resources: <http://new.greenbuildingindex.org/Files/Resources/GBI%20esp/Green%20Buildings%20and%20Parks%20World%202015%20Green%20Building%20Index.pdf>

# How do we ensure energy savings happen?

## POLICY

1. BUILDING STANDARDS, CODES or BY-LAWS
2. BUILDING APPROVAL CONDITIONS
3. CLEAR & TRANSPARENT
4. ENFORCEMENT
5. INCENTIVES

# Green Mark Building Certification

	GM Tier	GM Category	Year of Completion	Total Floor Area (m <sup>2</sup> )	Population (excluding visitors)	District Cooling System (DCS)	Number of occupants surveyed
Building 1	Platinum (P)	New	2009	30,800	2,100	Yes	529
Building 2	Platinum	New	2009	33,599	1,596	No	139
Building 3	Gold Plus (GP)	New	2009	14,358	400	No	322
Building 4	Gold Plus	New	2009	11,520	636	No	163
Building 5	Gold (G)	Existing	2002	186,886	8,000	No	201
Building 6	Gold	New	2008	15,235	374	Yes	180
Building 7	Certified (C)	Existing	1985	34,736	1,650	No	67
Building 8	Certified	New	2009	9,481	544	No	88
Building 9	Non-Certified (NC)	New	2008	119,139	4,372	Yes	161
Building 10	Non-Certified	New	2004	56,220	4,814	No	162
Building 11	Non-Certified	New	2005	29,408	500	No	191

Table 1 – Summary of buildings selected

Buildings not compared to due to being cooled by District Cooling and lacking data

## Contributing Factors to Low Occurrence of Energy Savings

1. Building Management
2. Occupant Behaviour
3. Small sample size- Only seven buildings data

Building	GM Tier	Observed EEI (kwh/m <sup>2</sup> /yr) based on 12 month utility bill	Population Density	EEI* (kwh/m <sup>2</sup> p/yr)	EEI* (kwh/m <sup>2</sup> p/yr weighted average by GM tier)	EEI* (kwh/m <sup>2</sup> p/yr weighted average GM vs non GM)
Building 2	P	142	21	136	136	154
Building 3	GP	119	36	194	182	
Building 4	GP	203	18	166	157	
Building 5	G	152	23	157	135	
Building 7	C	167	18	135	147	
Building 10	NC	269	10	122	198	147
Building 11	NC	94	46	198		

Notes:  
Definition of EEI: Energy Efficiency Index

Green

Grey

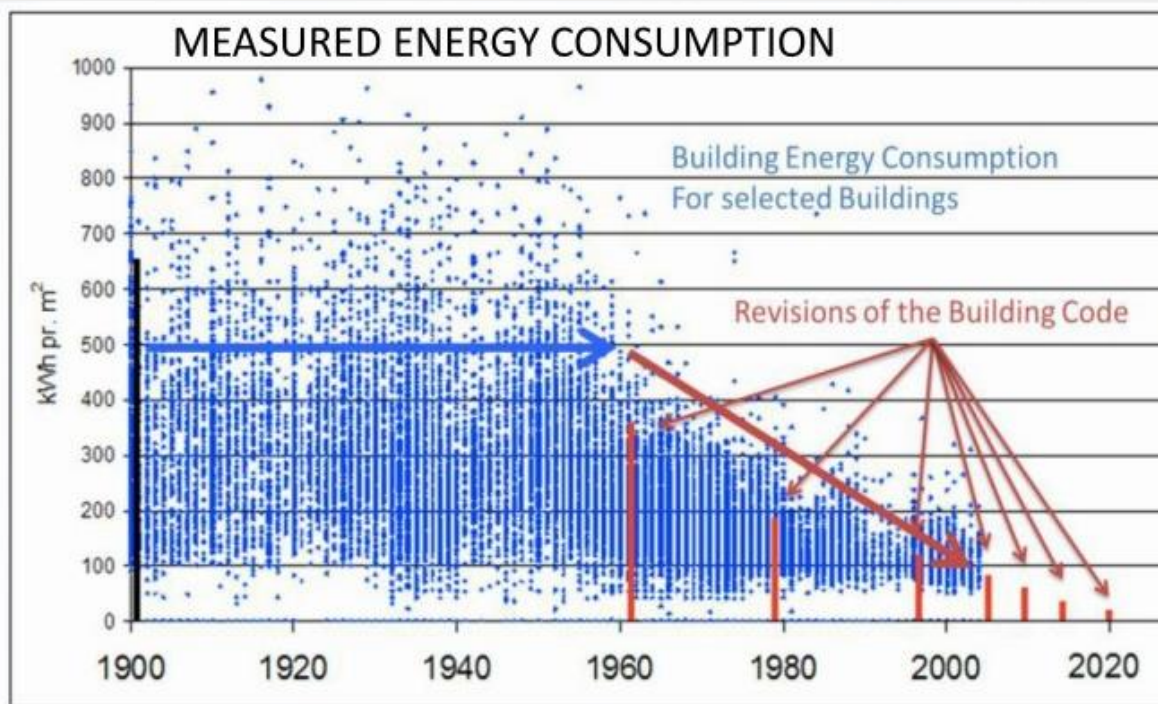
Negligible difference...  
in fact, the Non-Certified performs slightly better than Certified

Table 4 - EEI\* (excluding Building 8 and the DCS projects)



# Danish Building Codes

50% reduction in heating per square meter of entire Danish residential building stock



Measured Energy Consumption in Danish Buildings

## Contributing Factors to High Occurrence of Energy Savings

1. Mandatory requirements!
2. Energy Cost as a driver for Occupant Behaviour

## National Targets for Carbon Emission Reductions

*At COP 15 in Copenhagen, Prime Minister YAB Dato' Sri Mohd Najib Tun Abdul Razak announced **that Malaysia would voluntarily reduce its emissions intensity of GDP by up to 40% based on 2005 levels by 2020. We have an extended target to 45% by 2030.***

## How do we make energy savings from buildings happen?

1. **Increase National Carbon Emission Reduction Targets** – *based on absolute emissions, rather than emissions intensity of GDP*
2. **Increase Political Commitment & Create Building Performance-Related Policy** - *to ensure increased efforts compared to current largely market-driven scenario*
3. **Encourage Sustainability-Related Businesses & Technology** – *driving innovation, economy and providing more options to consumers*
4. **Creating Potential Revenue for Local, State or Federal Governments** – *Example: Property tax discount or penalty based on BEI performance; incentive for citizens and a potential source of revenue for local councils.*

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