
Efficiency and Intensity in the AEO 2010

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**Energy Efficiency: Measuring Gains
and Quantifying Opportunities**

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Overview

- What are the sources of efficiency in the AEO 2010?
- What is the contribution of energy efficiency to projected U.S. energy intensity?
- How do AEO scenarios relate to technical potential?

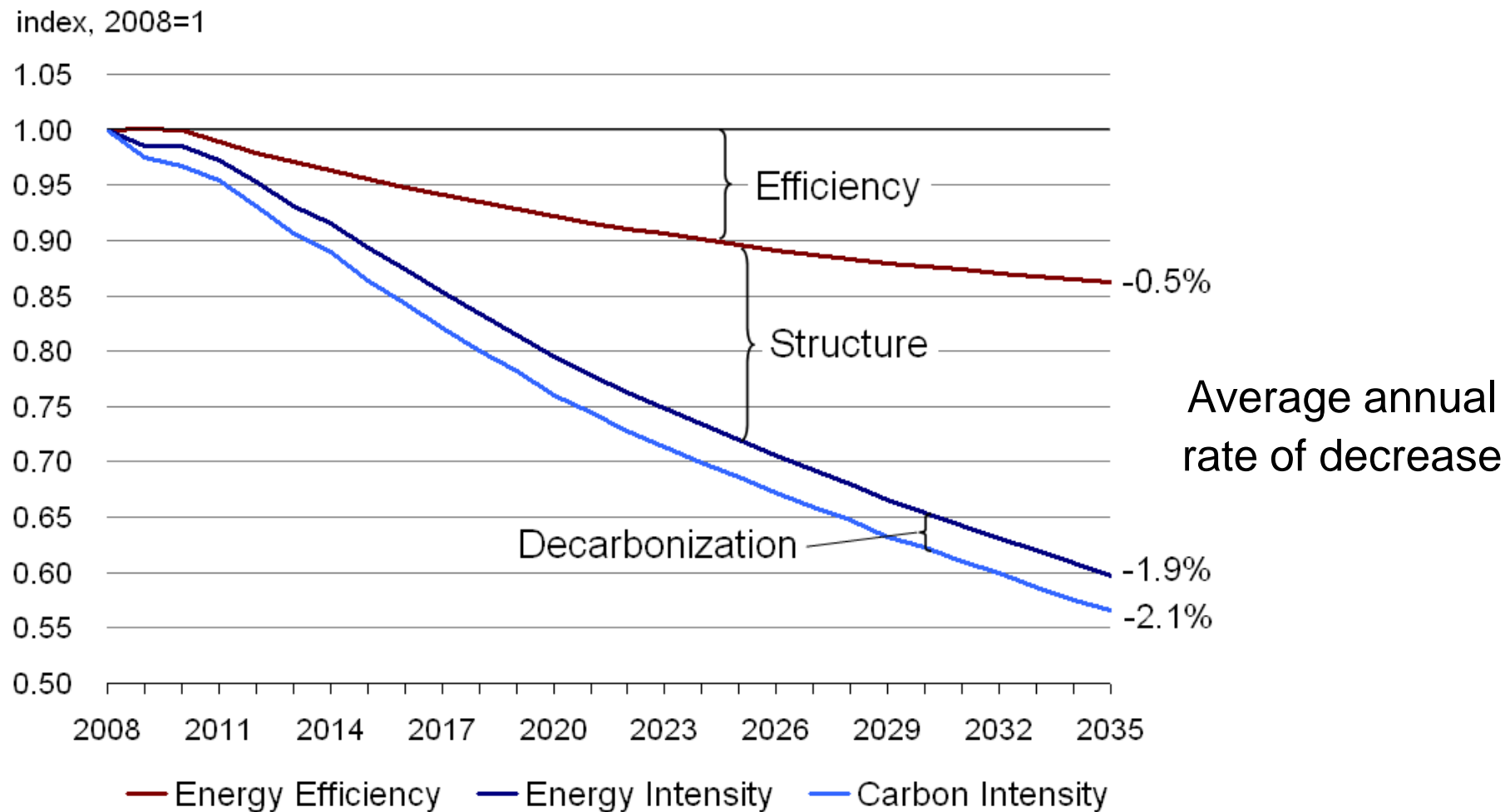
Sources of efficiency

- Technology
 - Stock turnover
 - Progress and learning
- Mandates
 - CAFÉ, efficiency standards (NAECA, EPACT), building codes...
 - Renewable fuel standards
- Incentives
 - Tax credits, loan guarantees, grants, ...
 - ♦ Energy efficiency and renewables - ACESA, ARRA (stimulus bill) ...
 - ♦ Investment tax credits
 - ♦ Production tax credits for renewable generation
 - Voluntary programs like Energy Star, Rebuild America

Key Concepts

- Energy Efficiency
 - Primary energy consumption per energy services provided
 - Driven by technology improvements
- Energy Intensity
 - Primary energy consumption per real GDP
 - Efficiency + structural changes
- Carbon Intensity
 - Carbon emissions per real GDP
 - Efficiency + structural changes + decarbonization

Decomposition of carbon intensity



De-carbonization: 2035 Carbon/Energy ratio is 95% of its 2008 value in Reference case

Source: EIA, National Energy Modeling System run AEO2010r.d111809a.

Examples of structural changes

- Conservation
 - Changes in energy use that reduce consumption by reducing services provided
- Buildings
 - Migration to moderate climates
 - Housing type shifts / commercial building mix
- Industry
 - Shifts to less energy-intensive industries
 - Growth of service sector relative to industry
- Transportation
 - Vehicle type shifts (cars, mini-vans, SUVs, and light trucks)
 - Urbanization, shifts to mass transit, biking / walking...

Structural drivers grow slower than GDP

CAGR: 2008 - 2035		
Macroeconomic		
Real Gross Domestic Product		2.4%
Population		0.9%
NEMS Sectoral Drivers		
Buildings		
Households		1.0%
Commercial Floorspace		1.3%
Industrial (Real Value Shipments)		
Non-Manufacturing		0.9%
Energy Intensive Manufacturing		0.8%
Non-Energy Intensive Manufacturing		1.8%
Transportation		
Light Duty Vehicle-Miles Traveled		1.7%
Freight Truck Vehicle-Miles Traveled		1.7%
Air Seat Miles		1.3%
Rail Ton-Miles		0.8%

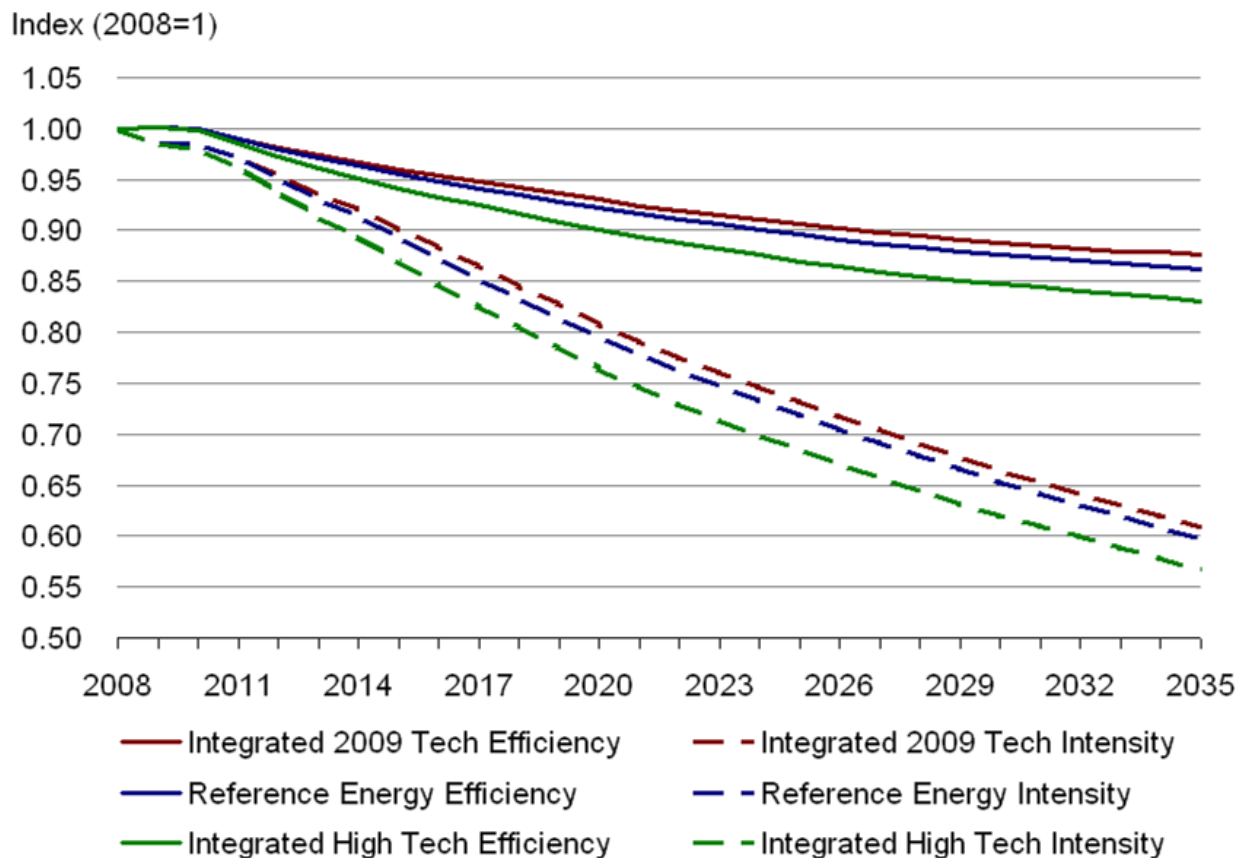
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Contribution of technology improvements

- Low technology integrated case
 - No future technology advances
 - ♦ Equipment and shells limited to what was available in 2009
 - ♦ Equipment stocks improve through turnover
- Reference case
 - Future technology improvements
 - Equipment purchases calibrated to observed behavior
- High technology integrated case
 - Advanced equipment available earlier at lower cost
 - Purchases based on reduced discount rates
 - Building shells get more efficient than Reference

Note: All cases have same stock turnover rate
– No aggressive retrofitting

Energy efficiency and intensity across technology cases



Primary Energy Consumption difference from Reference Case, 2035

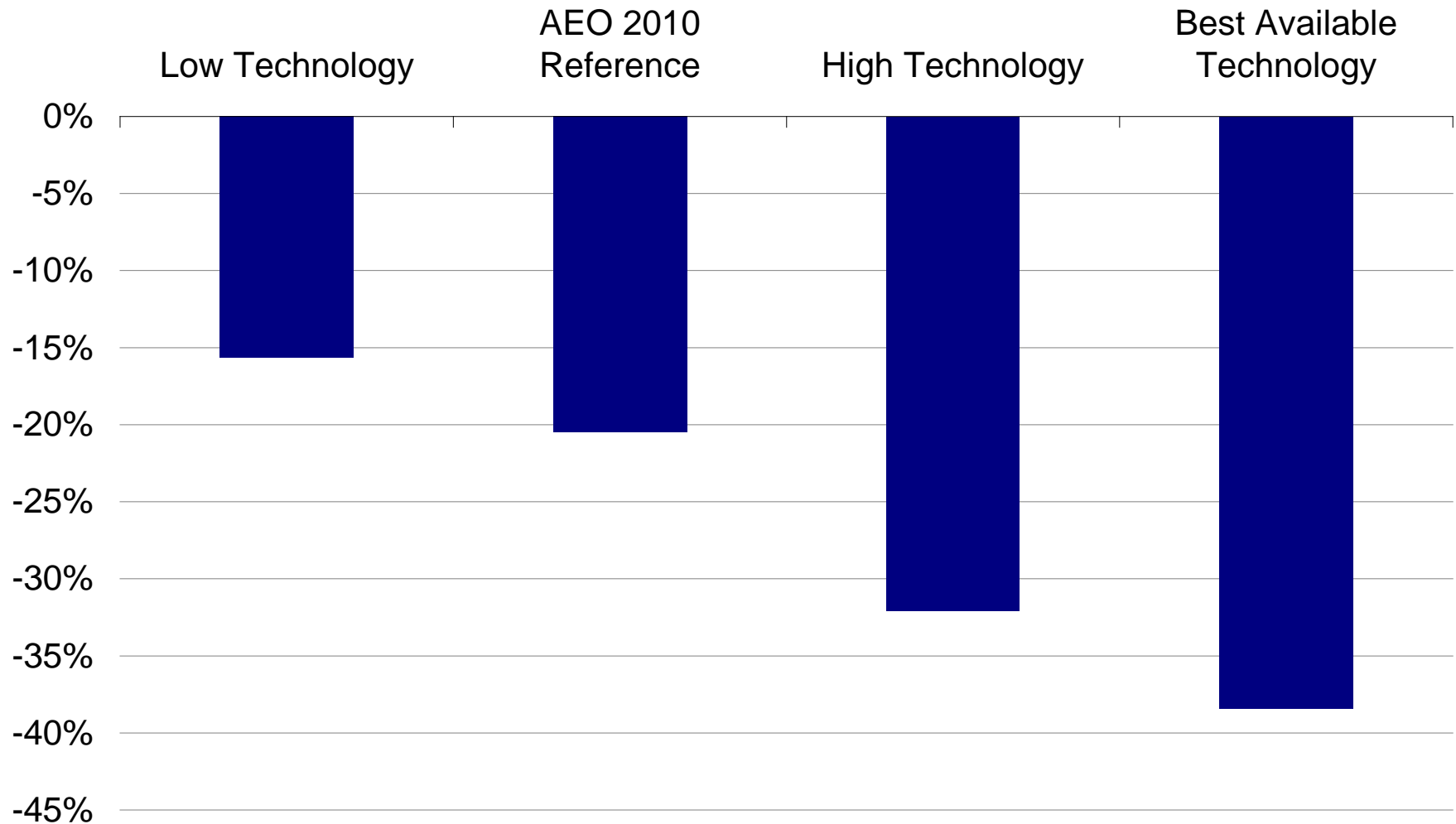
2009 Technology = 2.4 quad Btu increase High Technology = 5.7 quad Btu decrease

Source: EIA, National Energy Modeling System runs Itrkiten.d020510a, AEO2010r.d111809a, and htrkiten.d020510a.

Approaching technology potential: buildings best case

- Buildings case only
 - Residential and commercial sectors
 - Not integrated with other modules
- Best technology case
 - Equipment costs ignored
 - Only the most efficient technologies are allowed
 - Shells even better than High technology case
- Reference assumptions on stock turnover
 - *No aggressive retrofitting*

Buildings delivered energy use per square foot



Percent reduction of 2009 value in 2035

Source: EIA, National Energy Modeling System runs ltrkiten.d020510a, AEO2010r.d111809a, htrkiten.d020510a, and bldbest.d012010a.

Approaching technical potential: buildings best case

- Best case still not maximum technical potential
- Long-lived, rapidly advancing technologies do not fully penetrate by 2035
 - LED lighting
 - Geothermal heat pumps
 - Miscellaneous buildings equipment
 - Building shells
- Technical Potential
 - Post-2035 intensity could ultimately fall to 43 percent lower than 2009 (from 38 percent in 2035)

For more information

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