

Success story of energy efficiency policy development in Japan

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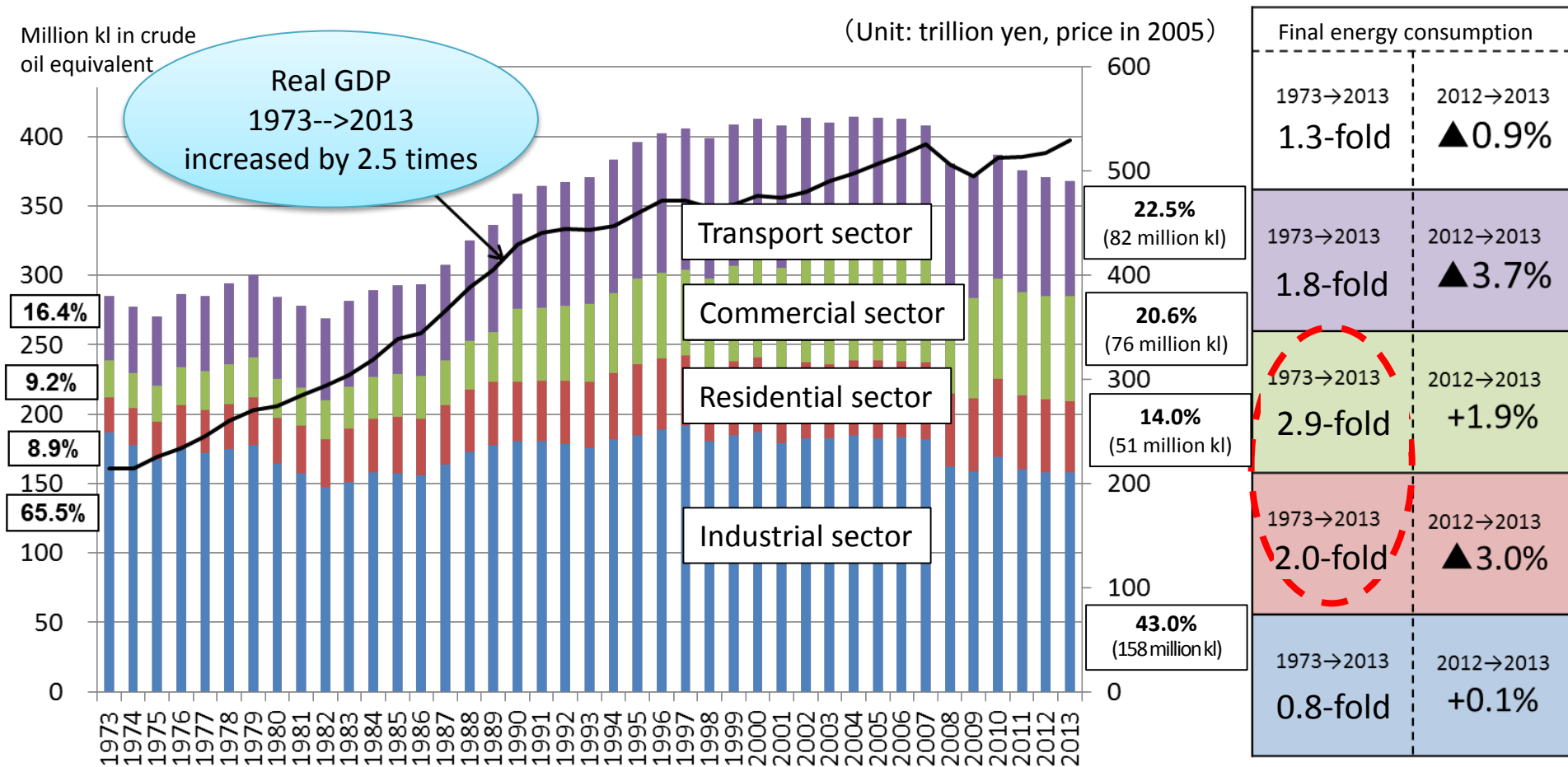
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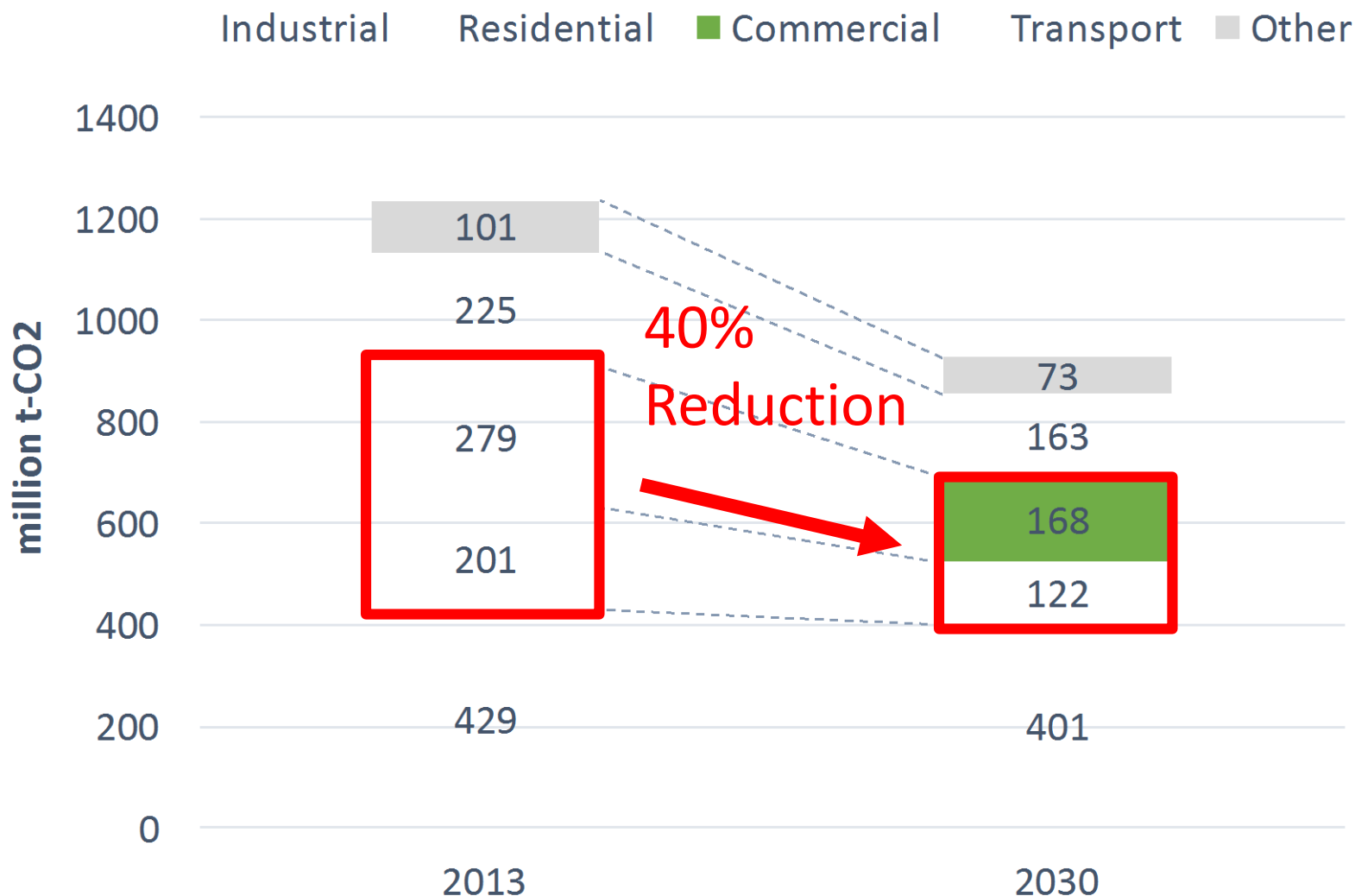
1. Brief Overview of Energy Policy in Japan

Status of energy consumption



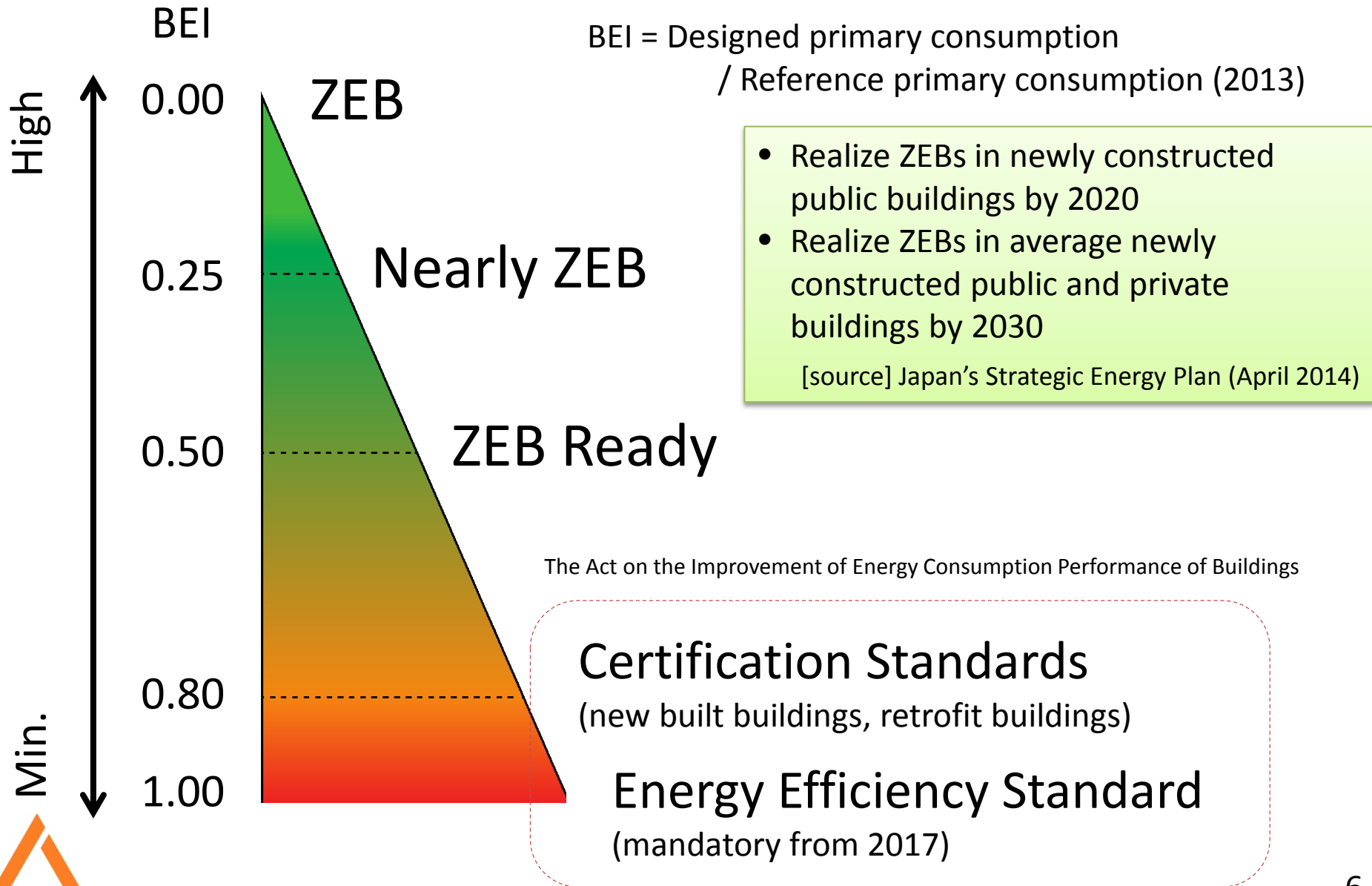
[Sources] Comprehensive Energy Statistics, Annual Report on National Accounts, EDMC Handbook of Japan's & World Energy & Economic Statistics

Our Goal (Civilian Sector)




[Sources] Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry: Long-term energy supply and demand outlook July, 2015

Targets for the Goal



History and Future of the Building Energy Standard

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- 1979 The Energy Conservation Law was established.
- 1980 The Building Energy Standard was established according to the law. No obligation was taken on building owners. So the Standard was similar to recommendation.
- 1992 The Standard for housings was revised owing to the Gulf War.
- 1993 The Standard for buildings was revised as well as for housings.
- 1999 The levels of the Standard were enhanced because of the Kyoto Protocol.
- 2009 Reporting on the Standards was mandatory except small buildings and housings.
- 2013 The whole Standard was revised. Primary energy consumption is needed as criterion index, in addition to envelope performance.
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- 2020 Compliance to the Standard will be mandatory for all new buildings and residences.

The Act on the Improvement of Energy Consumption Performance of Buildings

Review
Process

March 24, 2015	Cabinet decision
June 4	Unanimously passes in House of Representatives
July 1	Unanimously passes in House of Councilors, and is adopted
July 8	Promulgation of law

Promulgation of Cabinet/ministerial ordinance etc.

Advisory measures within 1 year of promulgation of law (April 2016)

1. Announcement of basic policy
2. Mandating efforts of construction clients/owners etc., and business operators in selling and leasing of building
3. Performance Improvement Planning Approval System (Floor space ratio exceptions)
4. Display System
5. Preparations for Registered Energy Conservation Evaluation Institutions and Registered Energy Conservation Performance Appraisal Institutions (applying for registration etc.)

Regulatory measures within 2 years of promulgation of law (Planned for April 2017)

1. Instruct/advise construction clients, designers/builders, construction material manufacturers
 2. **Mandate/evaluate compliance, register etc. Registered Energy Conservation Evaluation Institutions**
 3. Notification System, instructions/orders etc. via administrative agencies with jurisdiction
 4. Minister-authorization system for special structure/equipment, register etc. Registered Energy Conservation Appraisal Institutions
 5. Housing Top-Runner Program
- *Abolish Energy Conservation Act-based regular report system for renovations, remodeling, installations and repairs and notification system

Implementation
Schedule

Mandatory Compliance with Standards by Construction Clients of Specified Buildings

- **Section 11 Mandatory Compliance with Standards**

- When construction client attempts to undertake specified construction (*1), the **specified building** (Limited to non-residential) **must comply with the building energy efficiency standards.**
- The stipulation in the preceding paragraph **is one of relevant provisions of Building Code in Japan.**

***1 Specified construction**

1. **New construction** on a specified building (*2)
2. **Extension/renovation** on a specified building (The scale of the extension/renovation for non-residential portions shall only be for the Cabinet-ordered scale or larger [planned to be 300 m²].)
3. Extension on buildings other than specified buildings (The scale of the extension for non-residential portions shall only be for the Cabinet-ordered scale or larger [planned to be 300 m²], and when the building in question will become a specified building after the extension construction.)

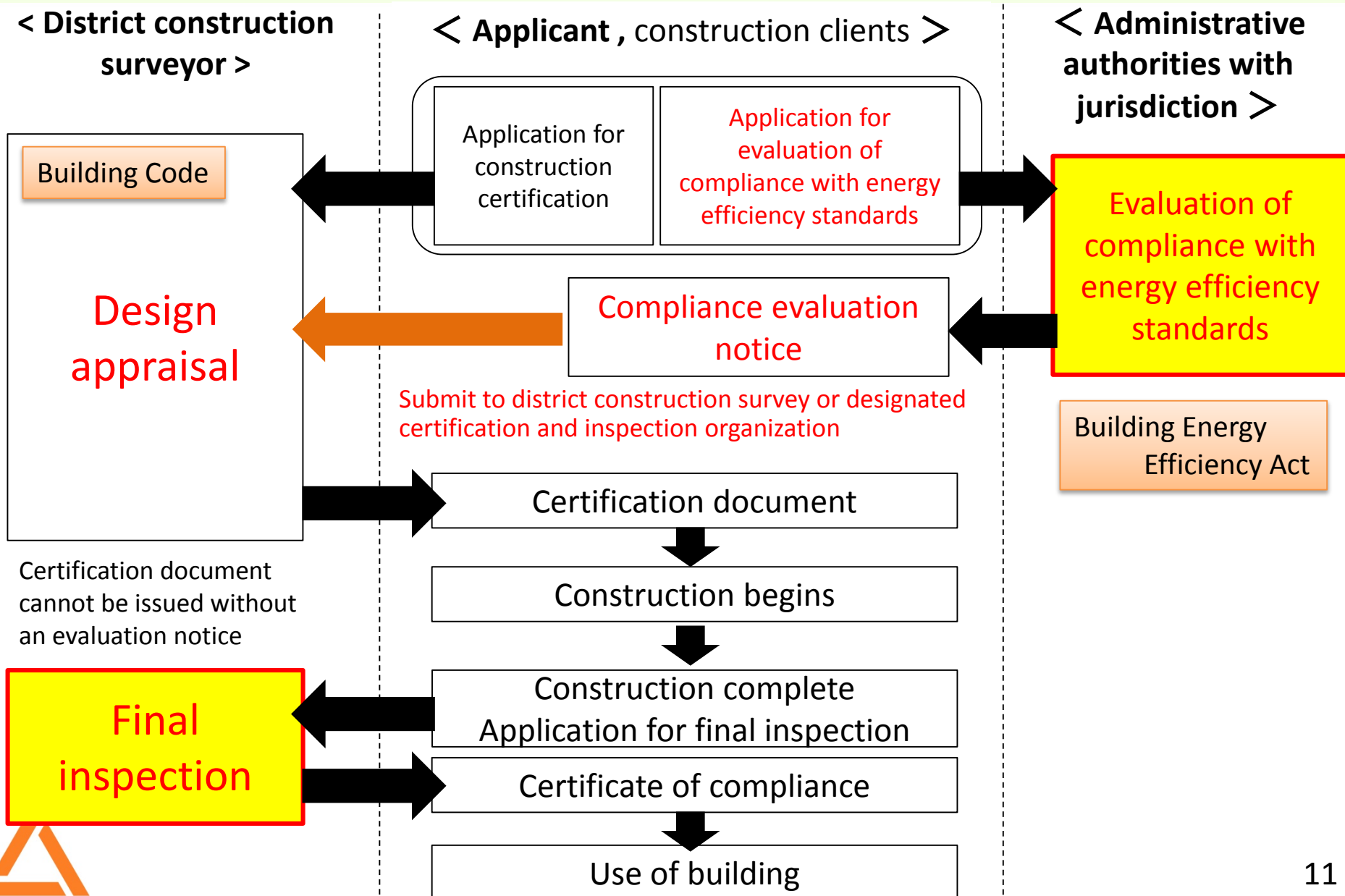
***2 Specified buildings**

This refers to buildings that are at the Cabinet-ordered scale or larger (**planned to be 2,000 m²**) and are of a scale large enough to particularly require the attainment of energy consumption performance for a non-residential area.

New Building Energy Conservation Act

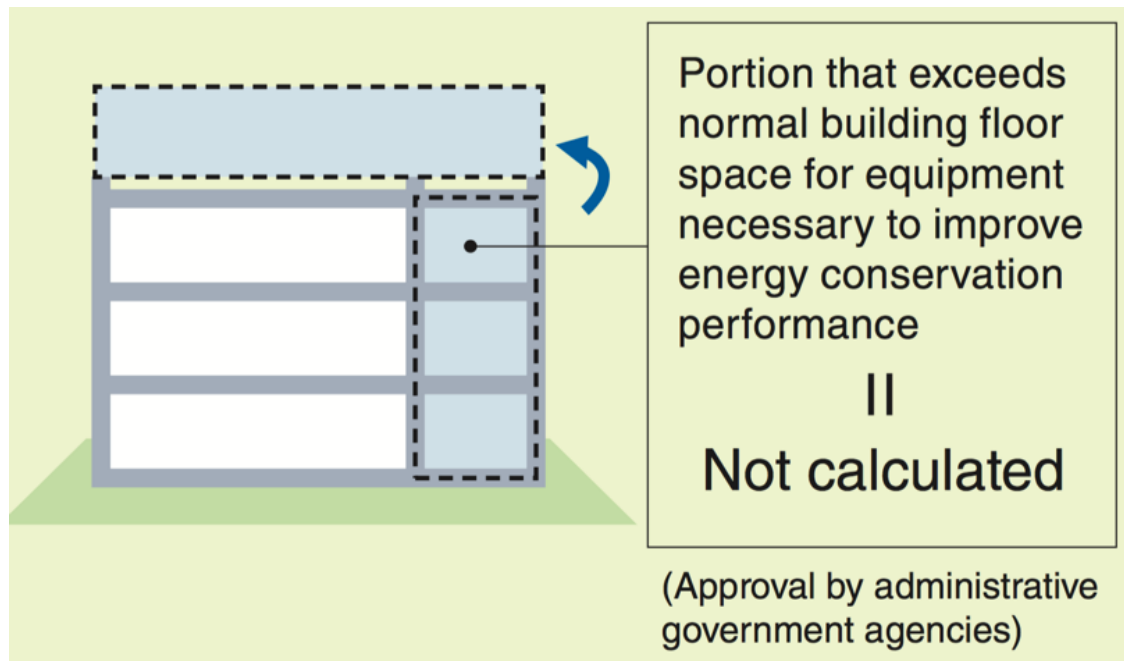
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Large-scale buildings (2,000 m ² or more)	Non-residential	<u>Mandatory Compliance</u> 【 <u>Synched with building certification procedures</u> 】
	Residential	Mandatory Notifications 【Instructions/orders etc. when deemed necessary without compliance with standards】
Medium-scale buildings (From 300 m ² to less than 2,000 m ²)	Non-residential	
	Residential	
Small-scale buildings (Less than 300 m ²)	Residential Construction Client (Housing Top-Runner)	Mandatory Role 【 Recommendations/orders etc. when deemed necessary 】

Scheme for Evaluation of Energy Conservation Compliance and Building Certification/Inspection **From April 2017**



Certification Standards (Article 29)

- When carrying out new construction and renovations for energy conservation^(*), certification of compliance with guidelines that **exceeds the level of energy conservation standards ($BEI \leq 0.80$)** may be received.
 - ^(*) Extensions, renovations, improvements/remodeling, installation of equipment such as A/C, repairs



Renovation that has been certified may receive special exception status, such as for floor space ratio

Labeling System (Article 7)



Emphasize Energy efficiency Performance at or above Level of Standards

- Third party verification (BELS) label with stars.

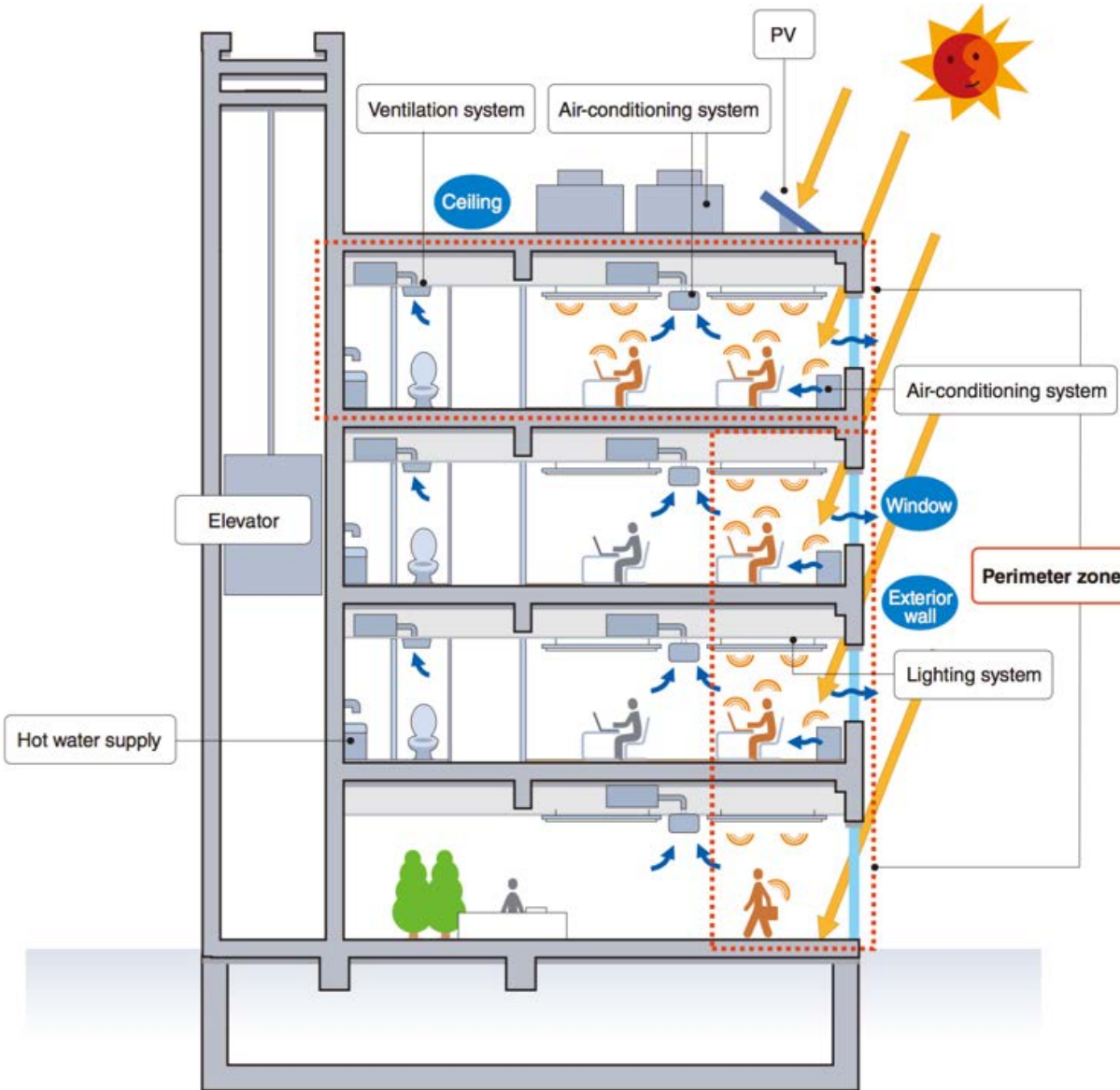
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2. Evaluation Method (Commercial buildings)

Calculation methodologies

- NILIM and BRI have developed new methodologies for evaluating the primary energy consumption.
- The methodologies are expected to be suitable for **the mandatory standard**.
 - Easy to understand evaluation logic (simplified and streamlined)
 - Easy to understand evaluation results
 - A fair, reliable, and transparent evaluation logic
 - Streamlined and efficient evaluation and review
 - Provision of evaluation-assistance simulation tools
 - Defined and unified evaluation rules
 - Same results regardless of who makes data entries
 - Same results regardless of who performs a review

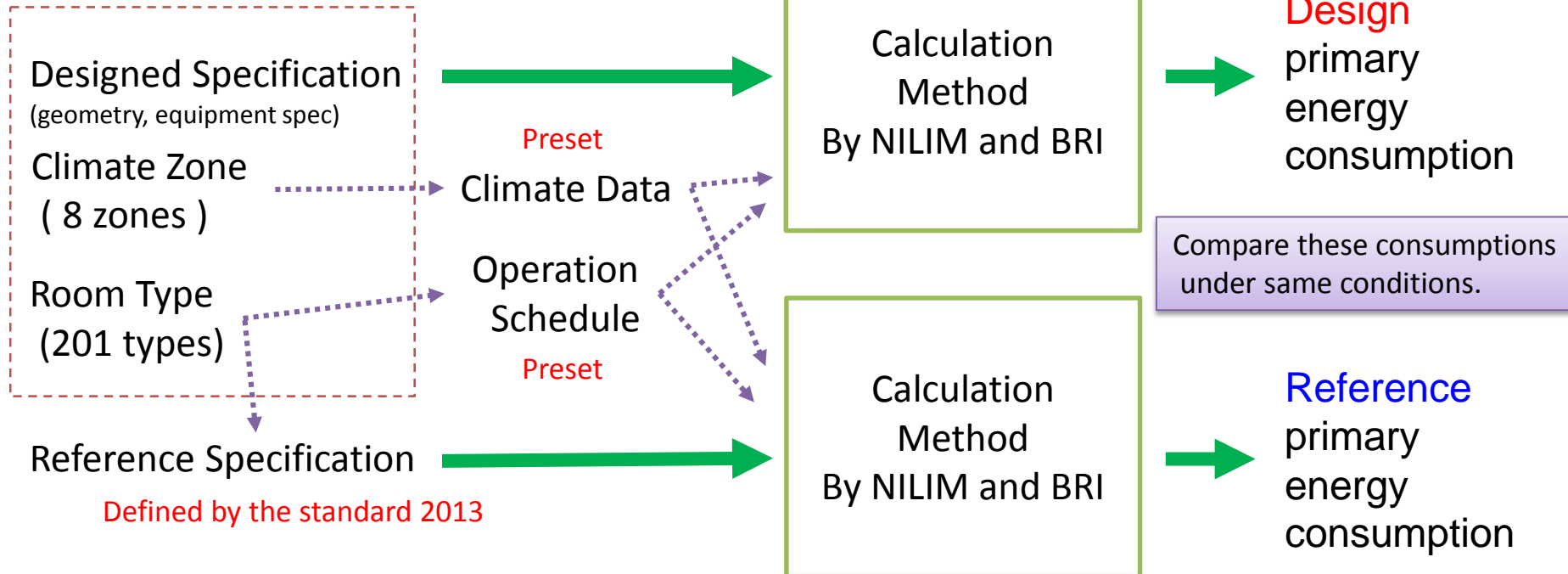
Index : Primary Energy Consumption



Primary energy
consumption amount
= air-conditioning system
+ ventilation system
+ lighting system
+ hot water supply
+ elevator primary
+ other (Plug load)
- PV and
cogeneration system

Flow of Calculation of Primary Energy Consumption for Commercial Buildings

Designer inputs



- BEI (*Building Energy Index*)
= Design consumption / Reference consumption

Example of the room types

No.	Type of room (Office)
O-1	Office room
O-2	Office higher heat
O-3	Meeting room
O-4	Tearoom
O-5	Central control
O-6	Locker room
O-7	Canteen
O-8	Hall
O-9	Lobby
O-10	Toilet
O-11	Smoking room

No.	Type of room (Hotel)
H-1	Guest room
H-2	Guest room's bath room
H-3	Banquet higher heat
H-4	Banquet hall with medium heat emission
H-5	Banquet hall with low heat emission
H-6	Restaurant
H-7	Lounge
H-8	Lounge open only at night
H-9	Shop
H-10	Office room (24 hours)
H-11	Office room (closed during night)
H-12	Canteen for employees
H-13	Locker room

Standardized room-use conditions (Office room in office building)

Reference value for heat-generation density
Lighting: → 12 W/m²
Human body → 0.1 persons/m²
Equipment: → 12 W/m²

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Lighting

Human body

Equipment

Saturdays

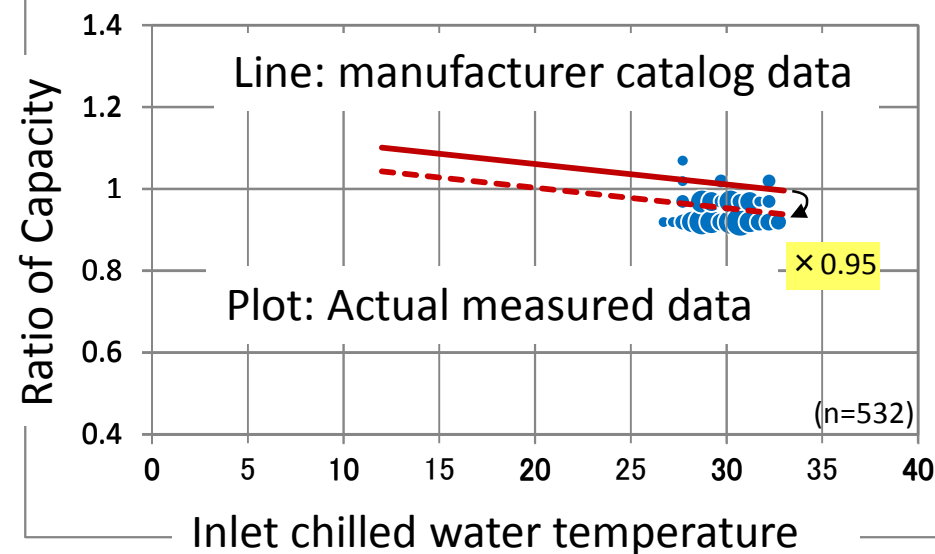
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Standby power considered

Measurement of Actual performance of Equipment

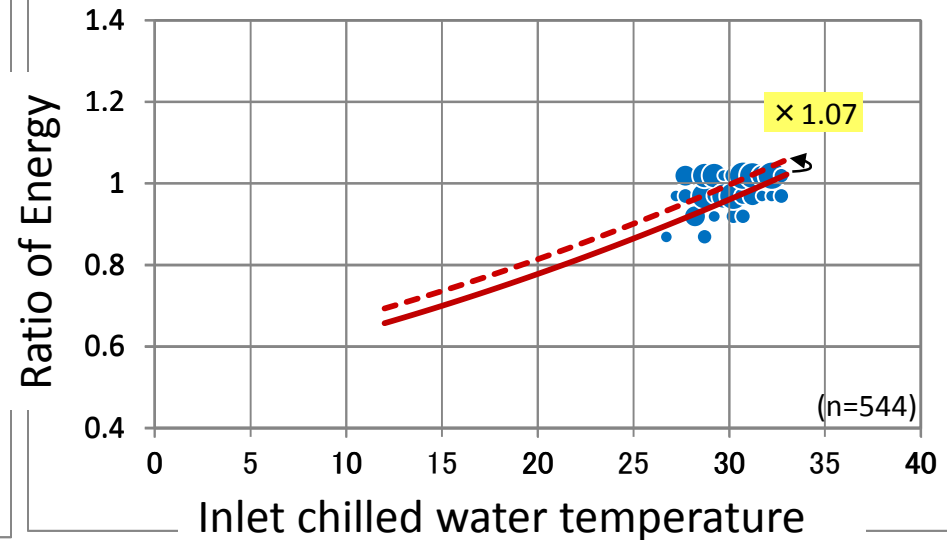
- In order to estimate the primary energy consumption accurately, NILIM and BRI measured **the actual performance of the building equipment** in several buildings and developed a method to estimate the actual performance based on manufacturer catalog data.

Chiller in Office 1H



Cooling Capacity

Chiller in Office 1H



Energy Consumption

Information Disclosed by NILIM and BRI

- Official Guides



- BRI's website provides technical information on the Energy Efficiency Standards:

<http://www.kenken.go.jp/becc/index.html>

- Links to various support tools
- Instructions for the tools

- How to use

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IL1cqCkbFaE>

Web-based Simulation Tool for Compliance with 2013 Energy Efficiency Standard



Computational engine
on cloud computing platforms

Design documents



Specification Input Sheet

XML files

Calc. results

BRI Website



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the web-based
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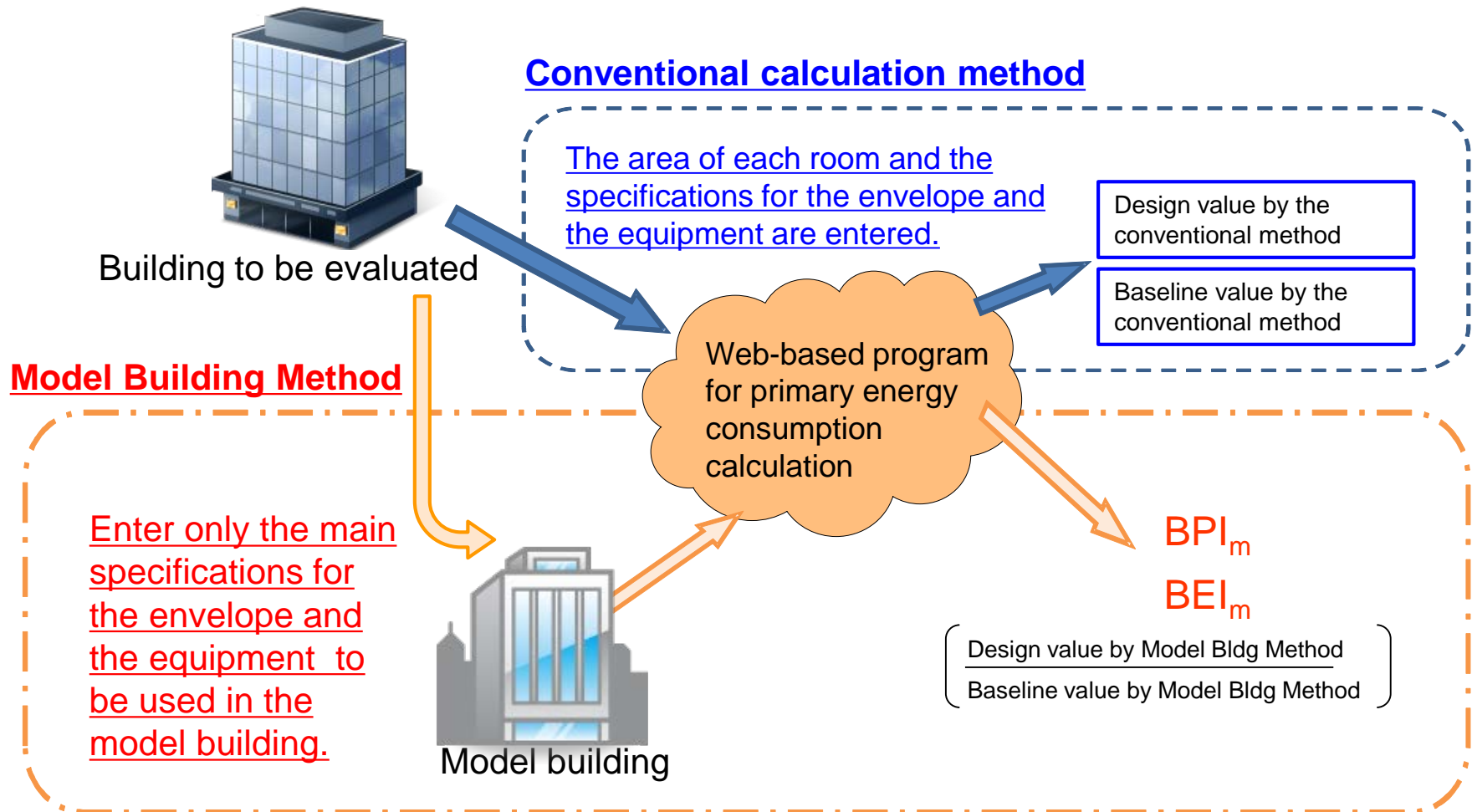
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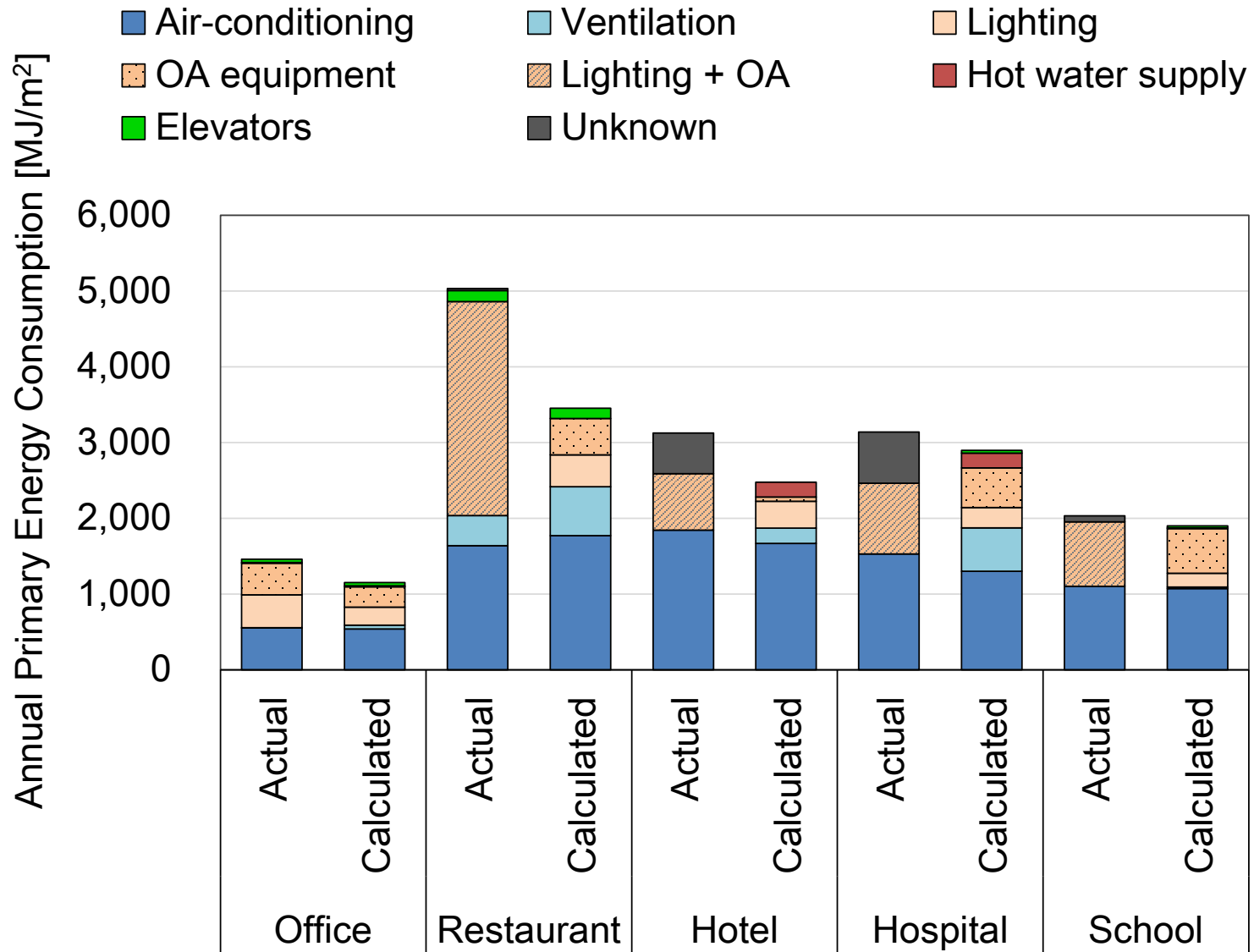


Flow for evaluation of a building's primary energy
consumption in commercial buildings

Simplified Approach



Application to actual buildings



Summary

- The building energy standard was revised in April 2013.
 - Primary energy consumption is needed as criterion index, in addition to envelope performance.
- Until 2020, compliance to the standard will be mandatory for all newly built buildings and housings.
 - From April 2017, compliance with the standard is mandatory for large scale non-residential buildings.
- NILIM and BRI have developed the on-line calculation tools for the new energy standard and certification system.