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## **Energy Consumption and Cost in Office Building (December 2014)**

Consumption slightly down, price rise slowed, and cost is decreasing

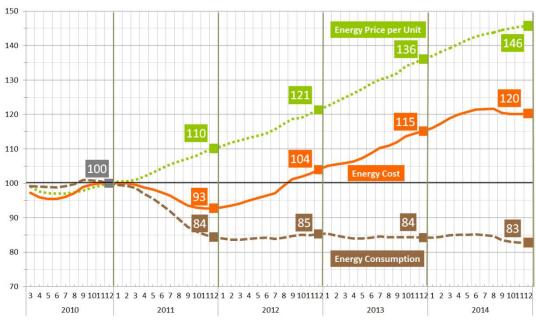
Xymax Real Estate Institute has been studying the energy consumption and energy cost in office buildings in Japan and releasing the results on regular basis. The report covering January 2010 to September 2014 was released in December last year. This issue is an update report covering up to December 2014.

Monthly data (April 2009 - December 2014) is available at the end of this report.

## Findings as of December 2014 (Figure 1)

- **■** Energy Consumption 17% lower compared to 2010, slightly decreased from the low level started in 2011.
- Energy Price per Unit 46% higher compared to 2010, the uptrend started in mid-2010 has slightly slowed.
- ■Energy Cost 20% higher compared to 2010, slightly decreased after a rise influenced by the changing trends of energy consumption and price per unit.

Figure 1: Energy Consumption, Price per Unit and Cost by 12-month Average



- The figures for each month are not based on the actual amount of a particular single month but are the average for the past 12 months.
- Indexed based on December 2010 = 100
- Energy consumption is converted to mega joule (MJ) (amount of primary energy)
- Consumption and cost are estimated based on per sqm and indexed.
- Relation among the three indexes: Cost = Price per Unit x Consumption

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## Monthly Energy Consumption, Price per Unit and Cost

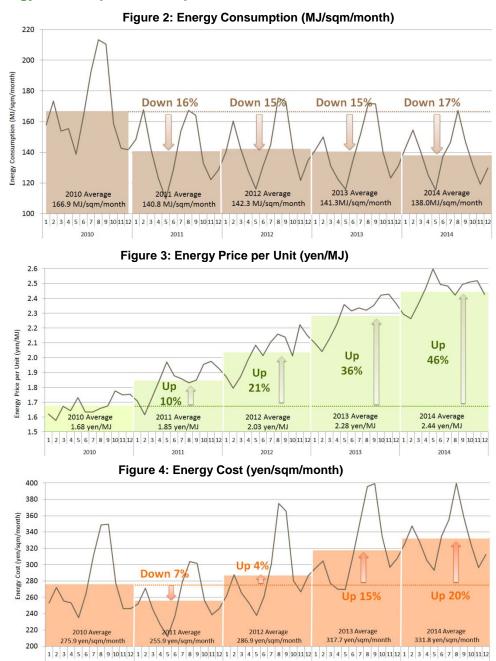


Figure 2 shows changes in energy consumption. The decreases in 2011-2013 were roughly the same level, down by 16%, 15% and 15%, respectively, from the annual average of 2010. The decrease in 2014 was, however, 17%, affected by a smaller air-conditioning load thanks to the lowest number of "summer days" (maximum temperature above 30 degrees Celsius) since 2010.

Figure 3 shows changes in energy price per unit (yen/MJ). Although the year-on-year increase in 2014 was slightly smaller than other years, the rising trend continued. The high import price of raw materials may be the factor for the increase. There is a possibility of changes in energy price following the decrease of oil price started in the latter half of 2014.

Figure 4 shows changes in energy cost. As a result of changes in consumption and price, the annual average of 2014 was 20% greater than that in 2010, but the pace of increase has slightly slowed.



#### **Outline**

#### Period and Subject Building

Period: April 2009 – December 2014 (69 months)

Subject Building: Of typical tenant-occupied office buildings in Greater Tokyo under management by Xymax Group, approx. 100 buildings with valid data are used in this study.

#### **Estimation Method**

Monthly data were estimated as follows:

- 1. Gather the amount of consumption of and cost paid for (excl. tax) the electricity, gas, heat and oil for each building.
- 2. Convert the above amount of consumption to mega joule (MJ) (amount of primary energy) based on the following.

Electricity: 9.76 MJ/kWh City Gas: 45 MJ/m3

Cool/hot water, steam: 1.36 MJ/MJ

Open steam: 2.68 MJ/kg Bunker A: 39.1 MJ/L Then, add all the amounts.

- 3. A: Energy Consumption (MJ / sgm / month)
  - → Divide the total consumption calculated in 2 by the gross floor area of the building (excluding vacant space)
  - B: Energy Price per Unit (Japanese yen / MJ)
  - → Divide the total cost paid estimated in 1 by the total consumption estimated in 2.
  - C: Energy Cost (Japanese yen / sqm / month)
  - → Divide the total cost paid estimated in 1 by the gross floor area (excluding vacant space)
- 4. Calculate the average amount for A, B and C.

#### Notes

- · "Month" in this study is based on the date of meter reading, which differs by building and/or the energy supplier.
- · To represent the continuity and accuracy of the data, the gross floor area excluding the vacant space is applied in this study.
- Previous report: Energy Consumption and Cost in Office Building up to September 2014 (released on December 1, 2014) http://www.xymax.co.jp/english/research/images/pdf/20141201-04.pdf
- The original research report in Japanese and translated reports in Chinese and Korean are also available online.

Japanese http://www.xymax.co.jp/

Chinese http://www.xymax.co.jp/cn/index.html http://www.xymax.co.jp/ko/index.html



## Monthly Data | Energy Consumption, Price and Cost (April 2009 – December 2014)

	E	nergy Consumption	1		Energy Cost		Energy	Price
	Single Mont	h Average	12 Months Total	Single Mont	th Average	12 Months Total	Single Month Average	12 Months Average
Unit	MJ/sqm/month	MJ/tsubo/month	MJ/sqm/annum	yen/sqm/month	MJ/tsubo/month	yen/sqm/annum	yen/MJ	yen/MJ
Apr 2009	158	521		298	986		1.94	
May 2009	142	469		249			1.83	
Jun 2009 Jul 2009	167	551 607		266 290	879 960		1.66 1.63	
Aug 2009	184 <sub> </sub>	668		313	1,034		1.58	
Sep 2009	187	618		289	955		1.57	
Oct 2009	160	528		252	834		1.62	
Nov 2009	149	494		237	785		1.62	
Dec 2009	153	506		245	810		1.62	
Jan 2010	158	522		253	836		1.62	
Feb 2010	173	573		272	899		1.58	
Mar 2010	154	509	1,986	256	845	3,220	1.67	1.6
Apr 2010	155	514 459	1,984 1,981	253 235	837 777	3,175 3,161	1.64	1.6
May 2010 Jun 2010	164	543	1,961	264	874	3,160	1.63	1.6
Jul 2010	192	636	1,987	311		3,180	1.63	1.6
Aug 2010	213	705	1,998	349		3,216	1.66	1.6
Sep 2010	210	695	2,022	349		3,276	1.68	1.6
Oct 2010	158	524	2,021	277	915	3,301	1.78	1.6
Nov 2010	143	471	2,014	246	813	3,310	1.75	1.6
Dec 2010	142	469	2,002	246	814	3,311	1.75	1.6
Jan 2011	148	491	1,993	252	833	3,310	1.71	1.6
Feb 2011	168	555	1,988	271	897	3,310	1.62	1.6
Mar 2011	142	469	1,976	245		3,299	1.73	1.6
Apr 2011	123	407	1,943	227		3,273	1.85	1.7
May 2011	110	362	1,914	212		3,250	1.97	1.73
Jun 2011	129	426	1,879	237	784	3,223	1.88	1.7
Jul 2011	154	510	1,840	279	922	3,191	1.86	1.7
Aug 2011 Sep 2011	167 164	553 543	1,794 1,748	304 302	1,004 997	3,146 3,098	1.83	1.7
Oct 2011	133	440	1,748	256	847	3,098	1.96	1.8
Nov 2011	122	404	1,702	239		3,070	1.98	1.8
Dec 2011	129	425	1,689	246		3,070	1.93	1.8
Jan 2012	140	464	1,681	262	867	3,081	1.88	1.8
Feb 2012	160	530	1,674	288	952	3,097	1.79	1.8
Mar 2012	142	470	1,674	266	878	3,117	1.87	1.8
Apr 2012	128	423	1,678	253	836	3,143	1.99	1.9
May 2012	116	384	1,685	238	787	3,169	2.08	1.9
Jun 2012	131	434	1,687	261	861	3,193	2.01	1.9
Jul 2012	145	479	1,678	301		3,215	2.10	1.9
Aug 2012	175	580	1,686	375		3,286	2.16	1.9
Sep 2012	173	572	1,695	366 280		3,350	2.14	1.9
Oct 2012 Nov 2012	140 <sub> </sub>	463 403	1,702 1,702	267	882	3,374 3,402	2.01	2.0
Dec 2012	135	445	1,702	287	947	3,443	2.15	2.0
Jan 2013	142	469		296		3,476	2.10	2.0
Feb 2013	150	496	1,699	305		3,493	2.04	2.0
Mar 2013	131	433	1,688	277		3,504	2.13	2.1
Apr 2013	122	405	1,682	270		3,521	2.23	2.1
May 2013	116	383	1,682	269	891	3,553	2.36	2.1
Jun 2013	135	447	1,686	309	1,021	3,601	2.31	2.1
Jul 2013	152	503	1,693	353	1,165	3,652	2.34	2.1
Aug 2013	172	568		396	1,308	3,673	2.32	2.2
Sep 2013	171	567	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	399	1,320	3,707	2.35	2.2
Oct 2013	140	463	1,688	335	1,107	3,762	2.42	2.2
Nov 2013	123	408	1,690	297			2.43	2.2
Dec 2013	131	433 472	1,686 1,687	308 326		3,813 3,842	2.37	2.2
Jan 2014 Feb 2014	143 <sub>1</sub>	511	1,687	326		3,842	2.29	2.3
Mar 2014	141	465	1,701	328	1,086	3,936	2.36	2.3
Apr 2014	125	414		328	1,010	3,930	2.47	2.3
May 2014	115	382	1,704	293	969	3,996	2.60	2.3
Jun 2014	137	454	1,706	335	1,108	4,022	2.49	2.3
Jul 2014	146	484	1,700	355			2.48	2.4
Aug 2014	167	553	1,696	400			2.42	2.4
Sep 2014	147	485	1,671	359		3,988	2.49	2.4
Oct 2014	131	433	1,662	324		3,978	2.51	2.4
Nov 2014	119	394	1,658	297	981	3,978	2.52	2.4
Dec 2014	130	429	1,657	312	1,033	3,982	2.43	2.4