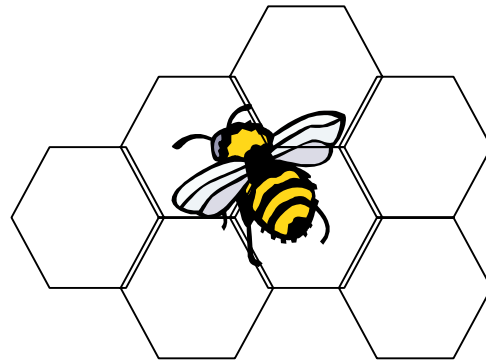


## *“The Four Toos”*

- *Too Much Information*
- *Too Many Criteria*
- *Too Many Choices*
- *Too Little Time*

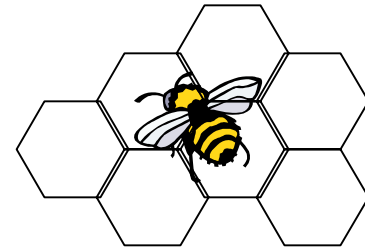
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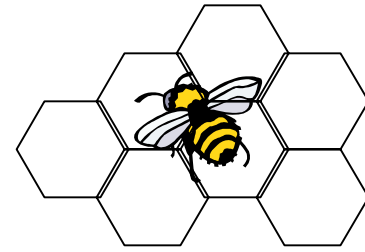
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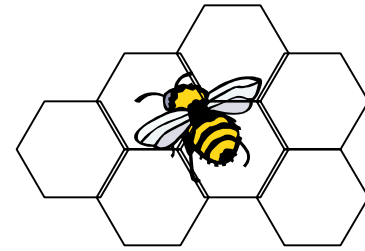
## *BEES Sponsors*

- *NIST Building & Fire Research Laboratory*
- *U.S. EPA Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Program*
- *White House (PATH)*
- *U.S. Department of Agriculture*



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- *PriceWaterhouse Coopers/Ecobalance*
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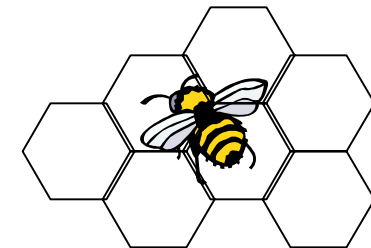


## *BEES 2.0 Users*

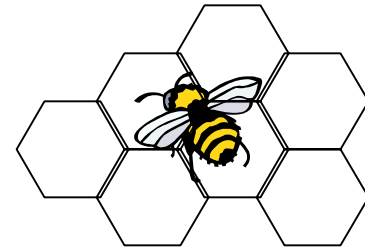
■ **4500+ users from 60 countries**

- *Designers* 23%
- *Builders* 16%
- *Government* 14%
- *Consultants* 12%
- *Educators* 11%
- *Other* 11%
- *Researchers* 9%
- *Manufacturers* 6%

# *How Does BEES Work?*



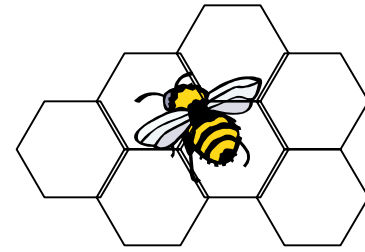
- *Model*
- *Data*
- *Software*



# *BEES Model*

- ***Takes Life-Cycle Approach***
  
- ***Based on Consensus Standards***
  - *Life-Cycle Costing (ASTM E917)*
  - *Building Element Classification (ASTM E1557)*
  - *Environmental Life-Cycle Assessment (ISO 14040)*
  - *Multi-Attribute Decision Analysis (ASTM E1765)*

# *BEES Model: Environmental Impacts*



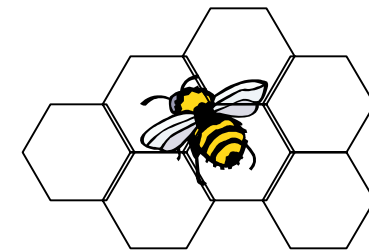
- *Global Warming*
- *Acid Rain*
- *Eutrophication*
- *Resource Depletion*
- *Indoor Air Quality*
- *Solid Waste*
- *Smog*
- *Ozone Depletion*
- *Ecological Toxicity*
- *Human Toxicity*



# Analysis Parameters



No Weighting



## Environmental vs. Economic Performance Weights

Environmental Performance (%):

50

vs.

Economic Performance (%):

50

## Environmental Impact Category Weights

- User-Defined
- EPA Scientific Advisory Board
- Harvard University
- Equal Weights

View Weights

Discount Rate (%): (Excluding Inflation)

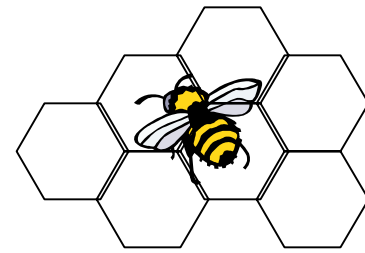
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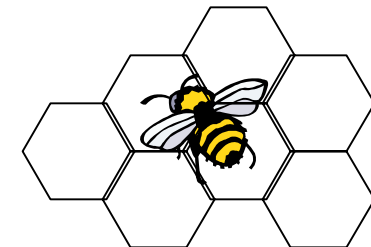
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# *BEEES Parameters: Environmental Weights*



	<i>EPA</i>	<i>Harvard</i>
<i>Global Warming</i>	27	28
<i>Acid Rain</i>	13	17
<i>Eutrophication</i>	13	18
<i>Resource Depl'n</i>	13	15
<i>Indoor Air</i>	27	12
<i>Solid Waste</i>	<u>7</u>	<u>10</u>
	100%	100%

# *BEES Model: Parameters*



Transportation ✕

RecycledPETCarpetBrdlm/SynGlue

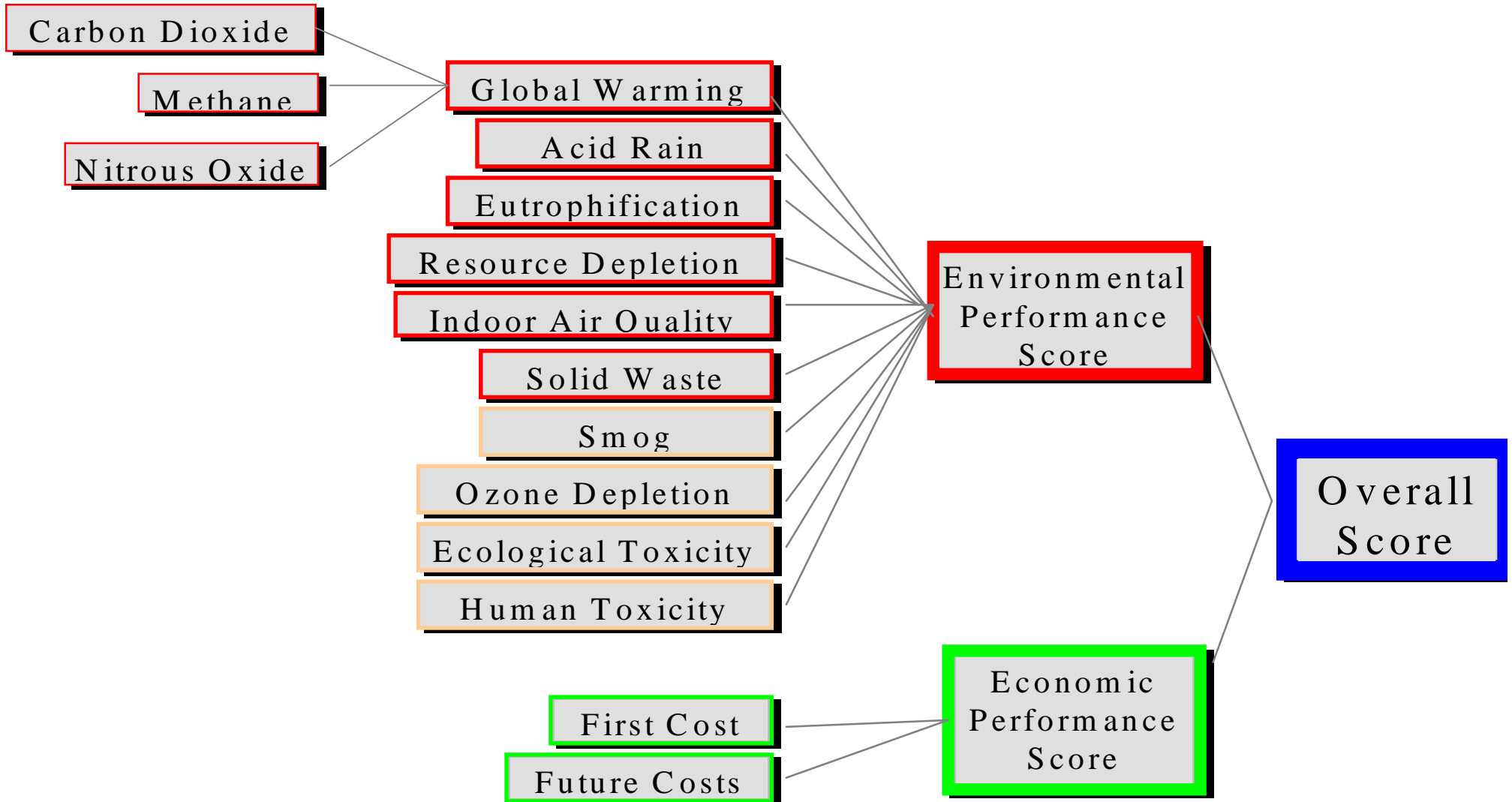
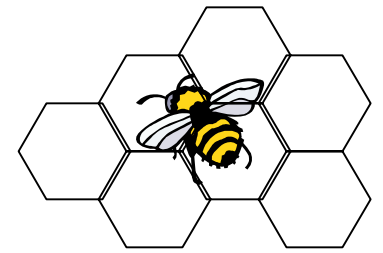
Transportation Distance from Manufacture to Use

161 km (100 mi)

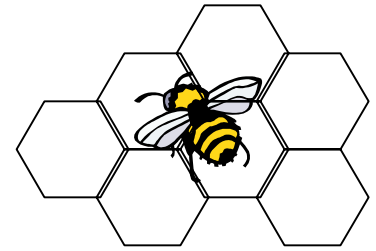
805 km (500 mi)

1609 km (1000 mi)

# BEES 2.0 Model



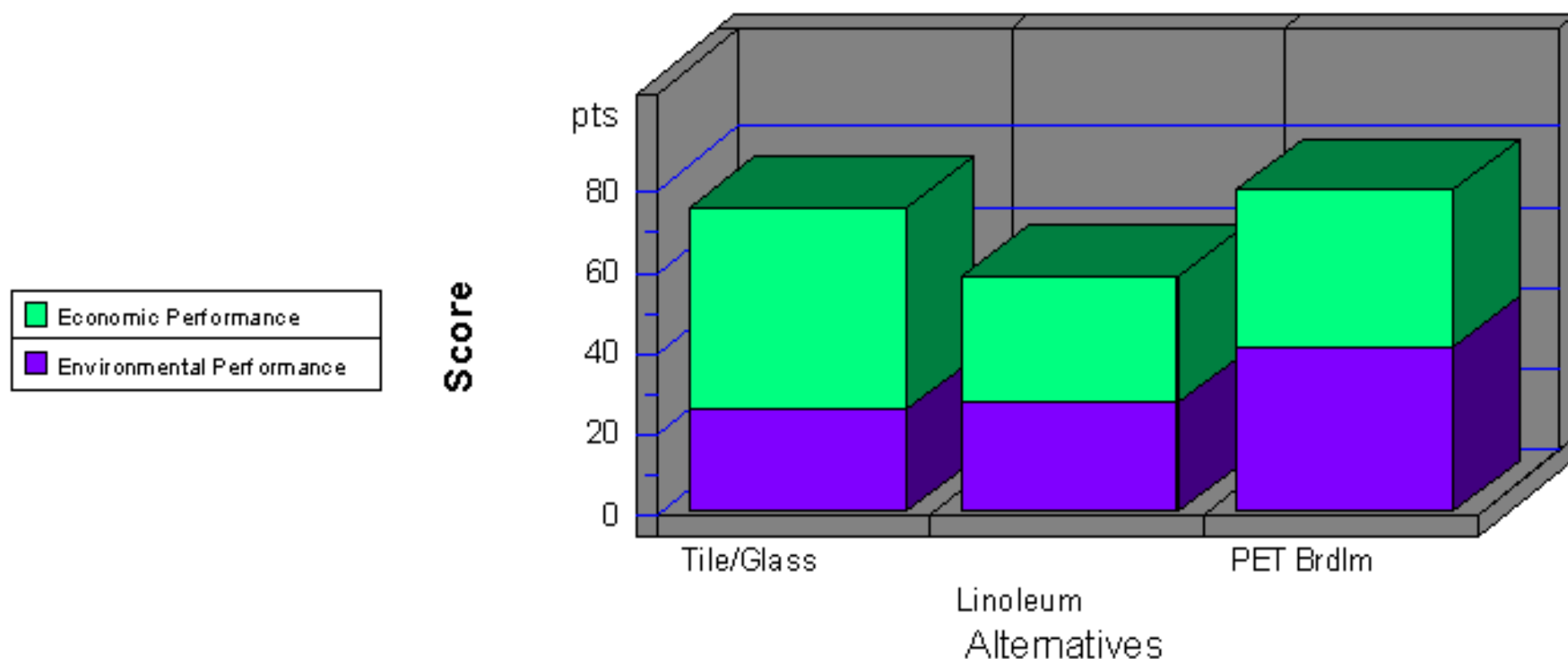
# BEES Data



- **U.S. Industry Average**
- **Fifteen Building Elements**

- *Framing*
- *Exterior Wall Finishes*
- *Wall Sheathing*
- *Wall Insulation*
- *Roof Coverings*
- *Roof Sheathing*
- *Ceiling Insulation*
- *Interior Wall Finishes*
- *Floor Coverings*
- *Slab on Grade*
- *Basement Walls*
- *Beams*
- *Columns*
- *Parking Lot Paving*
- *Driveways/Sidewalks*

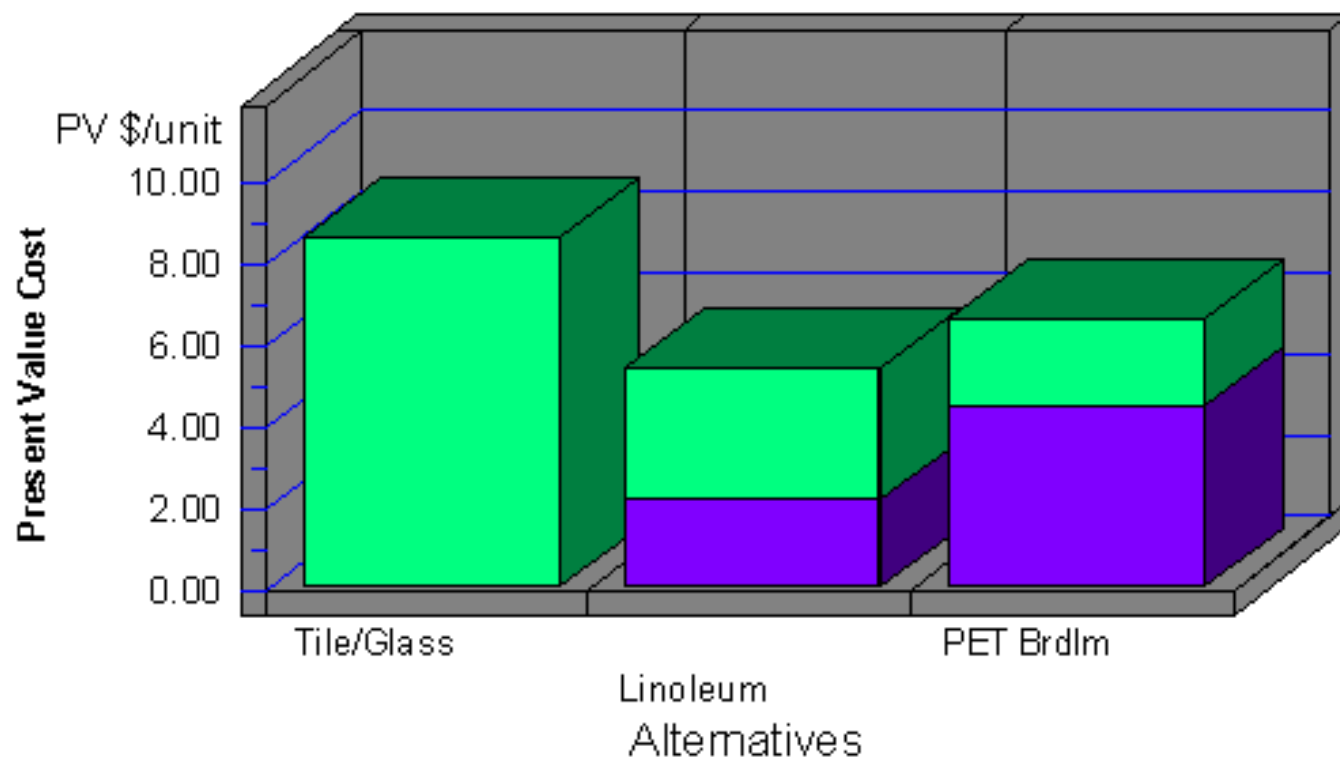
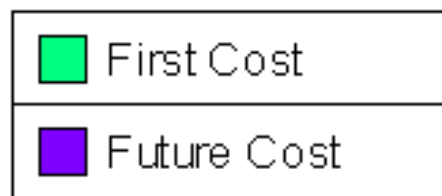
# Overall Performance



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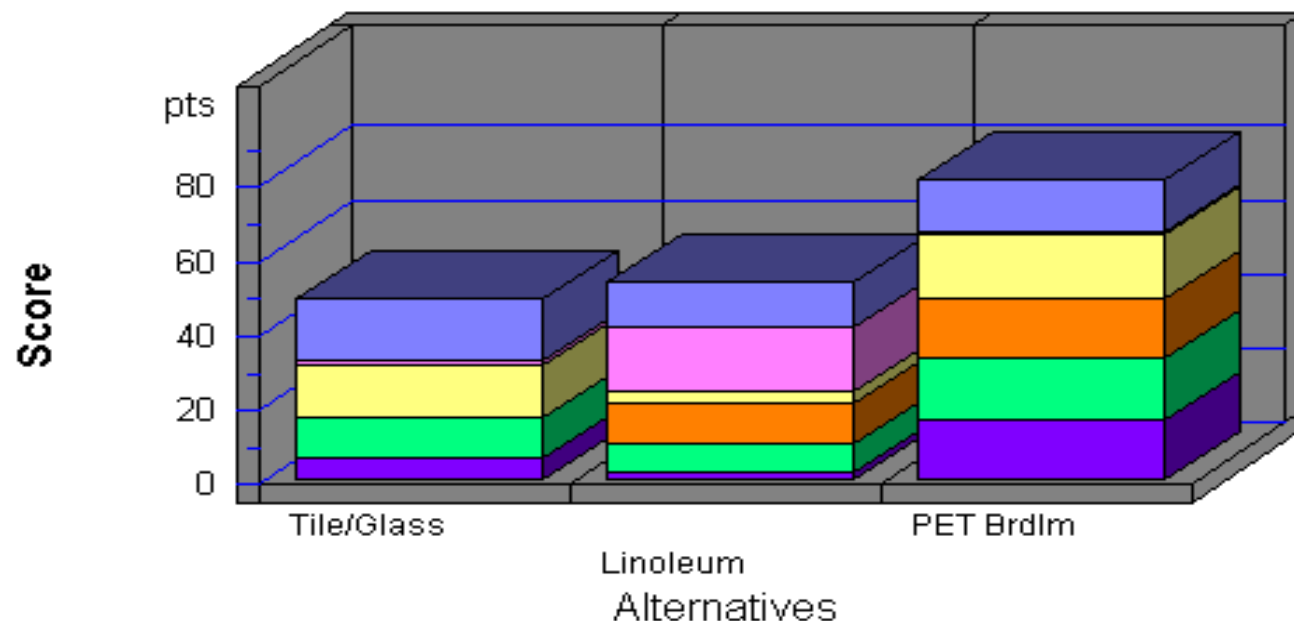
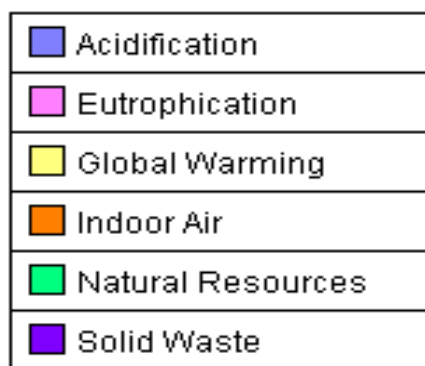
Category	Tile/Glass	Linoleum	PET Brdlm
Economic Perform. -50%	50	31	39
Environ. Perform. -50%	25	27	41
<b>Sum</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>80</b>

# Economic Performance



Category	Tile/Glass	Linoleum	PET Brdlm
First Cost	8.53	3.18	2.11
Future Cost- 4.2%	0.00	2.15	4.46
<b>Sum</b>	8.53	5.33	6.57

# Environmental Performance



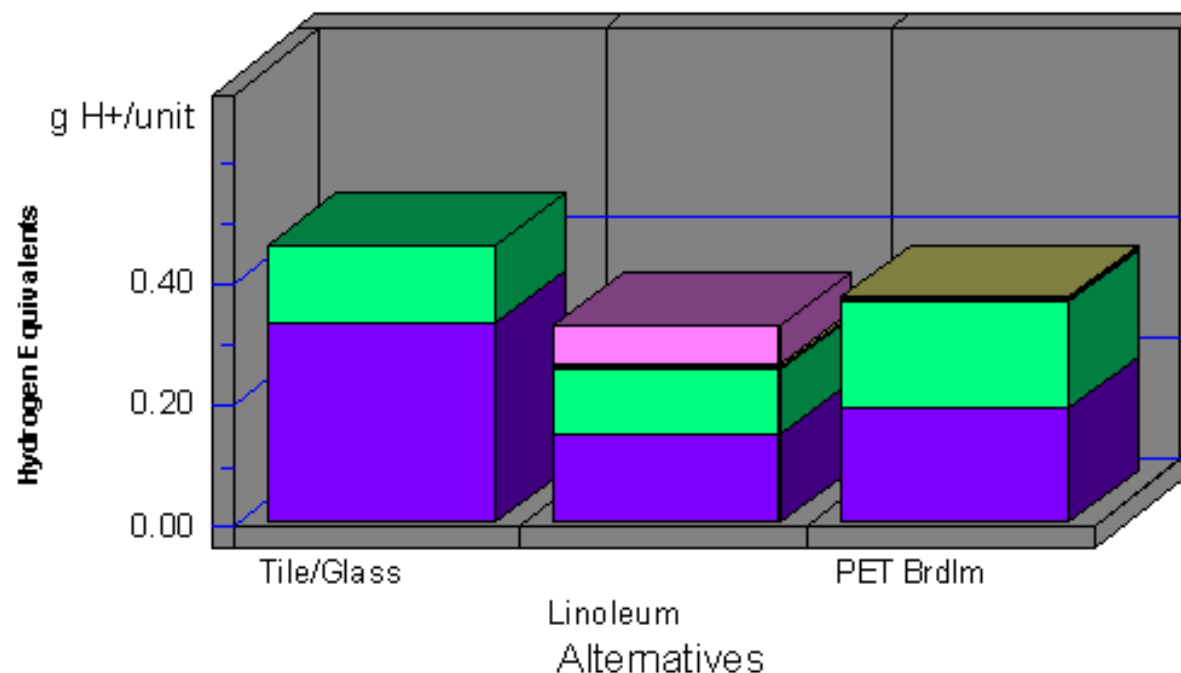
**Note: Lower values are better**

Category	Tile/Glass	Linoleum	PET BrdIm
Acidification--17%	17	12	14
Eutrophication--17%	1	17	1
Global Warming--17%	14	3	17
Indoor Air--16%	0	11	16
Natural Resources--17%	11	8	17
Solid Waste--16%	6	2	16
<b>Sum</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>81</b>



# Acidification by Flow

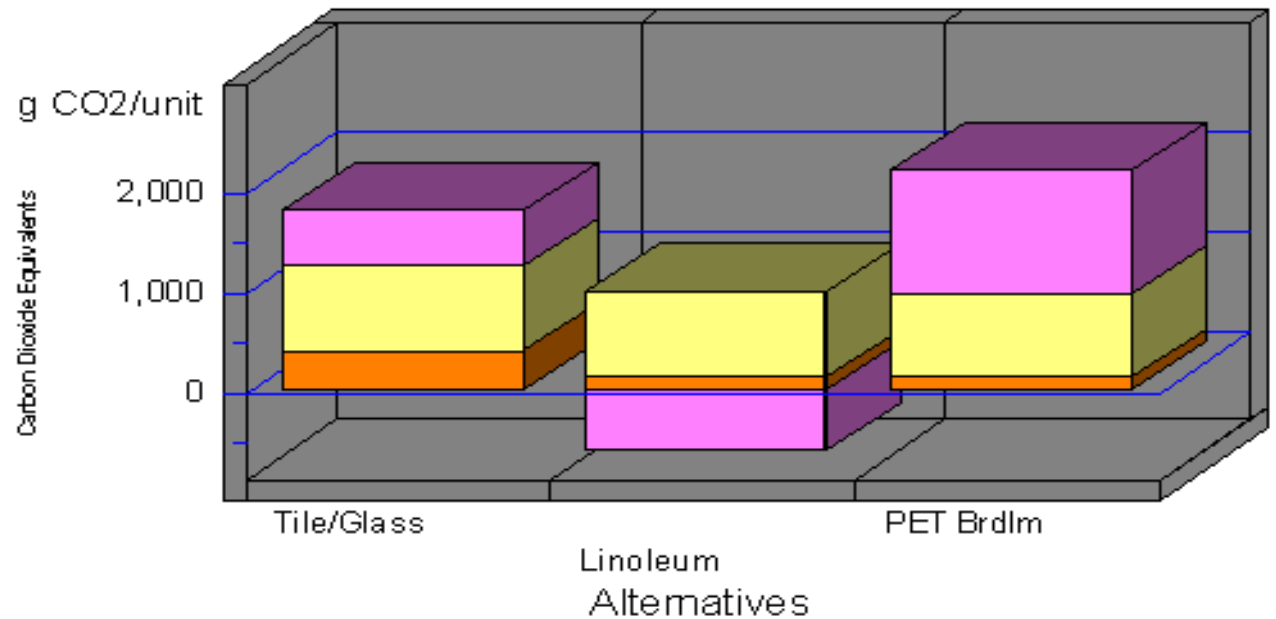
Ammonia
Hydrogen Chloride
Hydrogen Fluoride
Nitrogen Oxides
Sulfur Oxides



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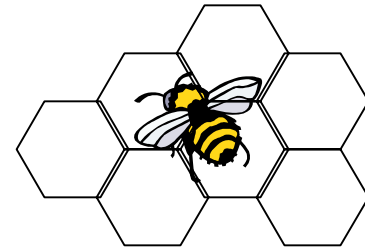
Category	Tile/Glass	Linoleum	PET Brdlm
Ammonia	0.0001	0.0644	0.0006
Hydrogen Chloride	0.0019	0.0039	0.0052
Hydrogen Fluoride	0.0001	0.0008	0.0011
Nitrogen Oxides	0.1251	0.1098	0.1767
Sulfur Oxides	0.3318	0.1454	0.1886
<b>Sum</b>	0.4590	0.3243	0.3722

# Global Warming by Life-Cycle Stage



**Note: Lower values are better**

Category	Tile/Glass	Linoleum	PET Brdlm
1. Raw Materials	550	-624	1229
2. Manufacturing	860	867	843
3. Transportation	373	117	116
4. Use	0	0	0
5. End of Life	0	0	0
<b>Sum</b>	1783	360	2188

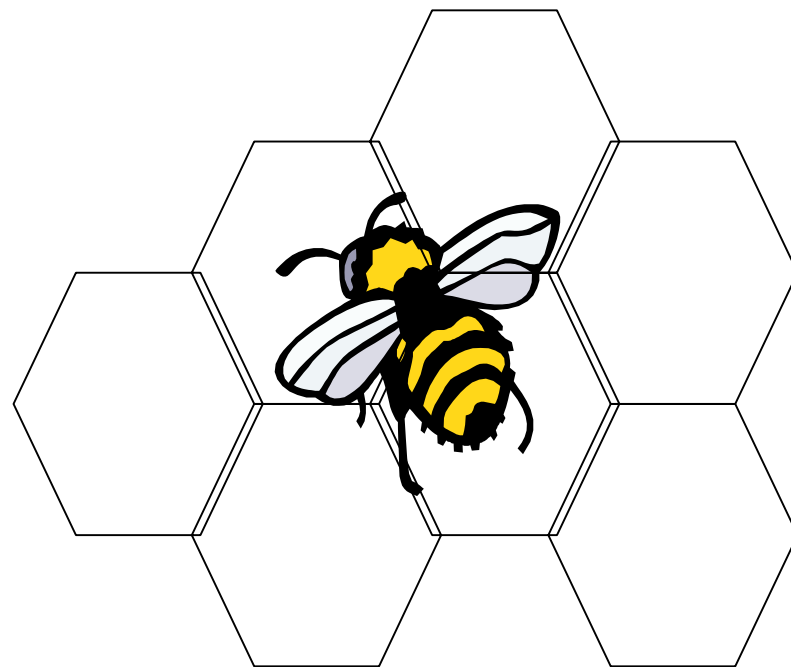


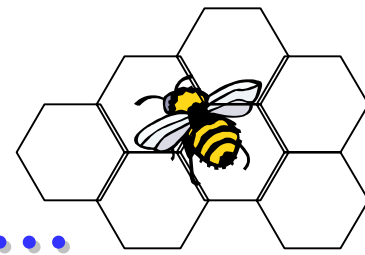
## *What's Next?*

- *“BEES Please:” Collect brand-specific data*
- *Respond to BEES 2.0 Critical Review*
  - *habitat alteration impact*
  - *absolute measurement*
- *Compare BEES vs. LEED results*
- *Publish BEES 3.0 Winter 2002*

# *BEES Tool*

- *Practical*
- *Consistent*
- *Transparent*
- *Flexible*





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