

Introduction to the Wood Carbon Seminars

Speaker Background

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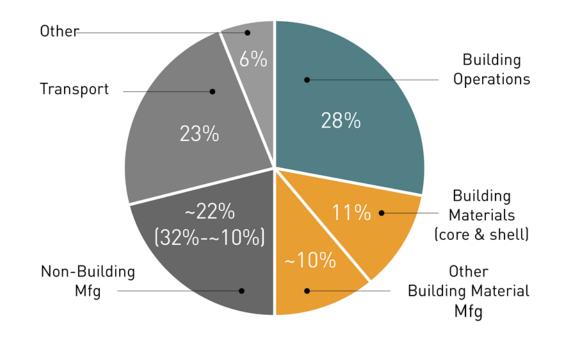
Buildings and the Climate Crisis

Global CO₂ Emission by Sector

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Building's Climate Impact

Total Building Material Impacts?



Adapted from 2019 Global Status Report, Global Alliance for Building and Construction (GABC) and Architecture 2030.

 The building and construction sector has a vital role to play in eliminating carbon, as it is responsible for at least 39% of global carbon emissions.



Operating and Embodied Carbon



Embodied Carbon

Manufacture, transport and installation of construction materials

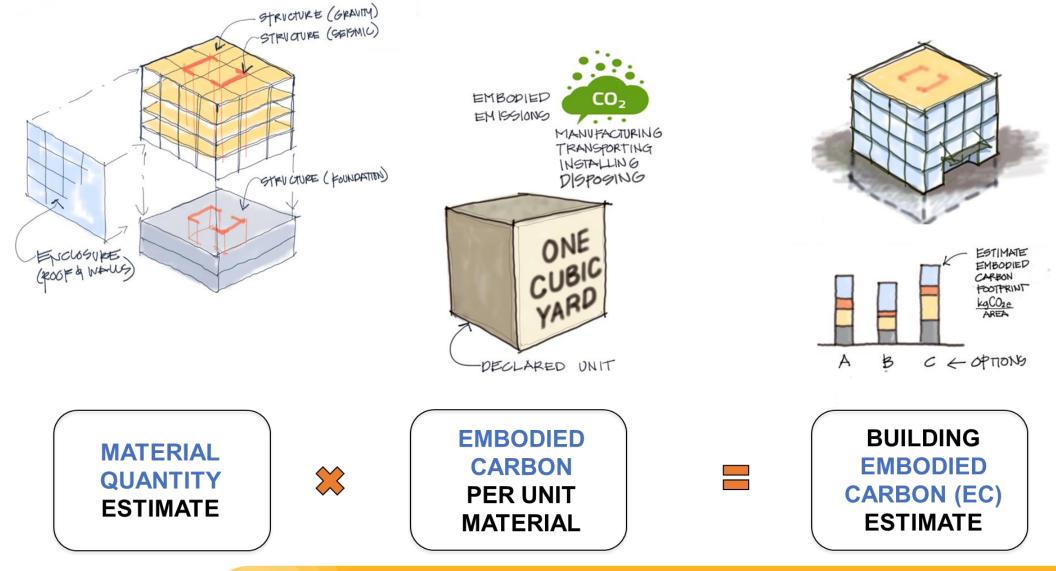
Operational Carbon Building Energy Consumption

Image: S. Smedley Skanska

Total Carbon = Embodied Carbon + Operational Carbon

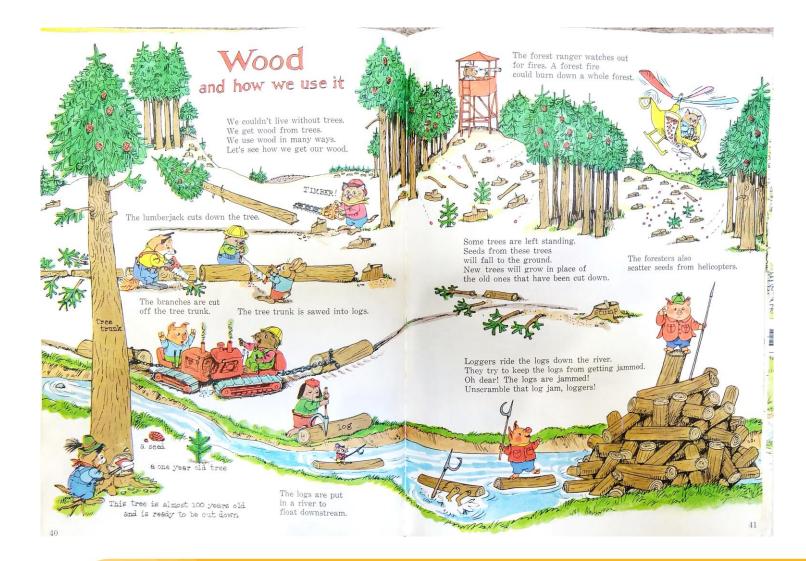
TC = EC + OC





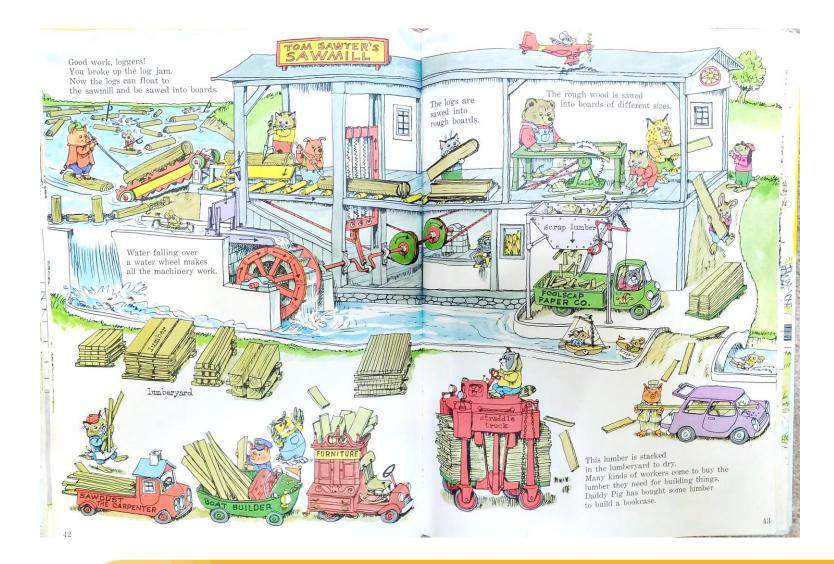
Embodied Carbon Estimates

Busy, Busy Town and What Do People Do All Day? By Richard Scarry

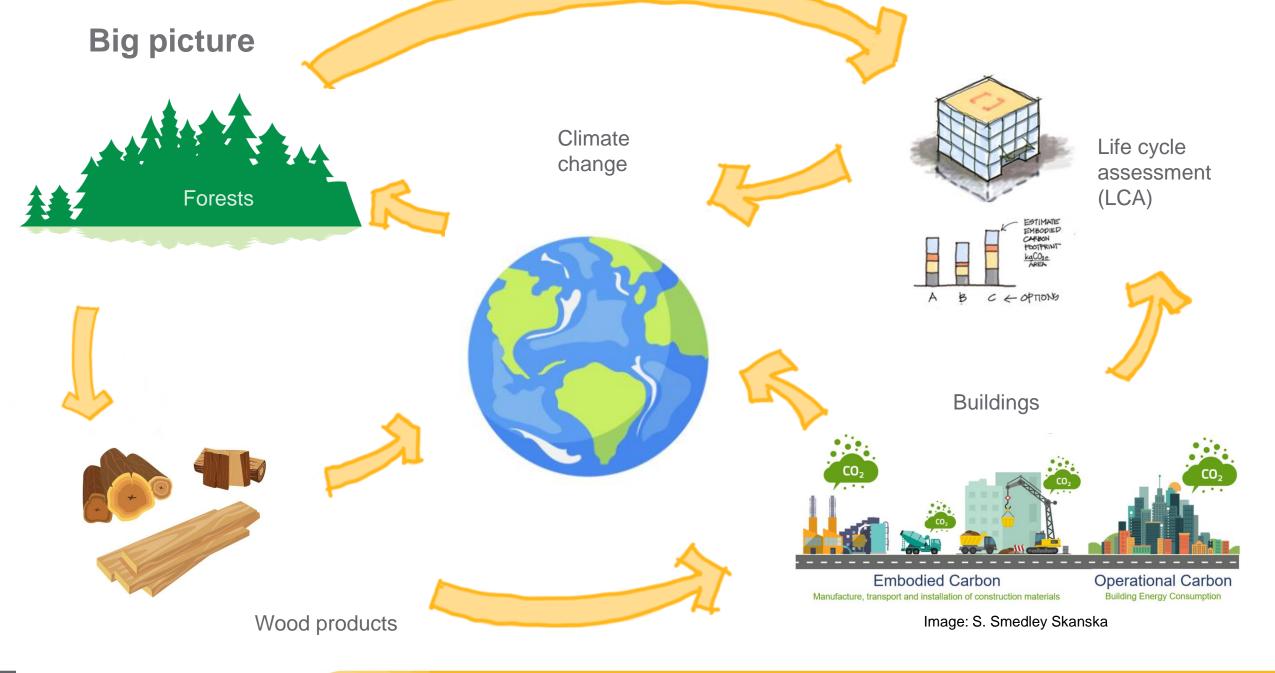




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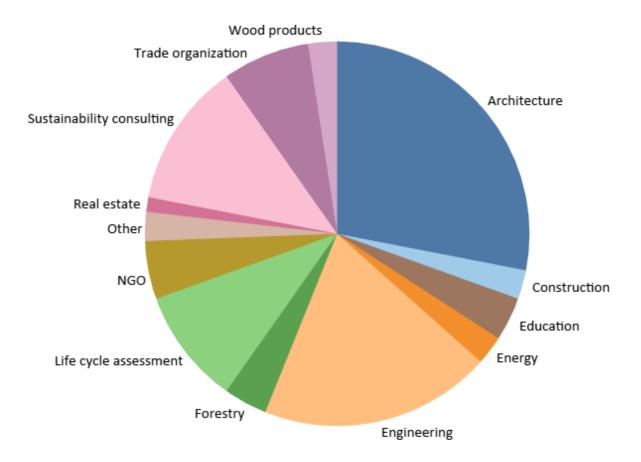






Wood Carbon Seminars – Preliminary survey

82 respondents





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Total score by topic

