



Window Attachments: The Next Big Energy-Saving Measure?

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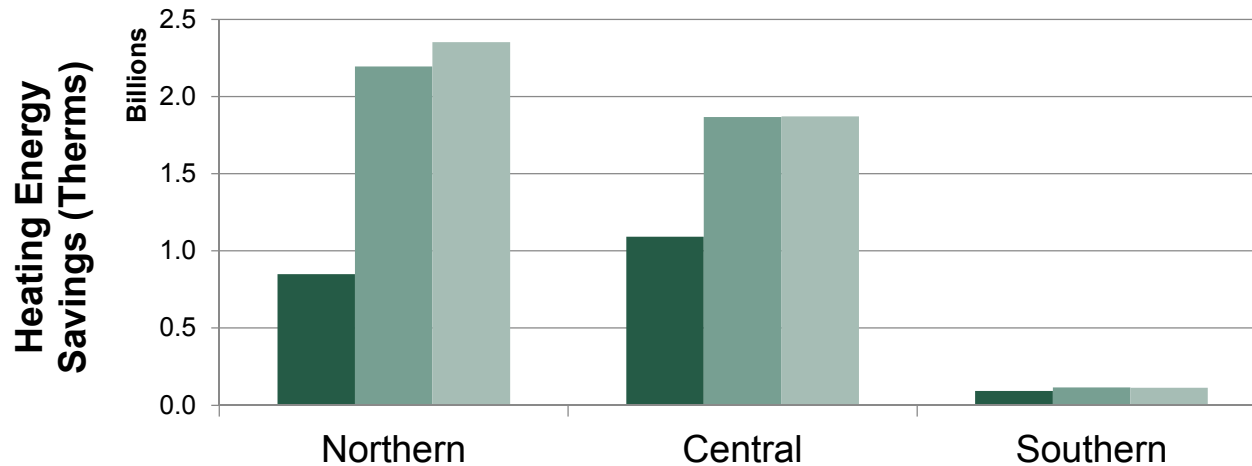
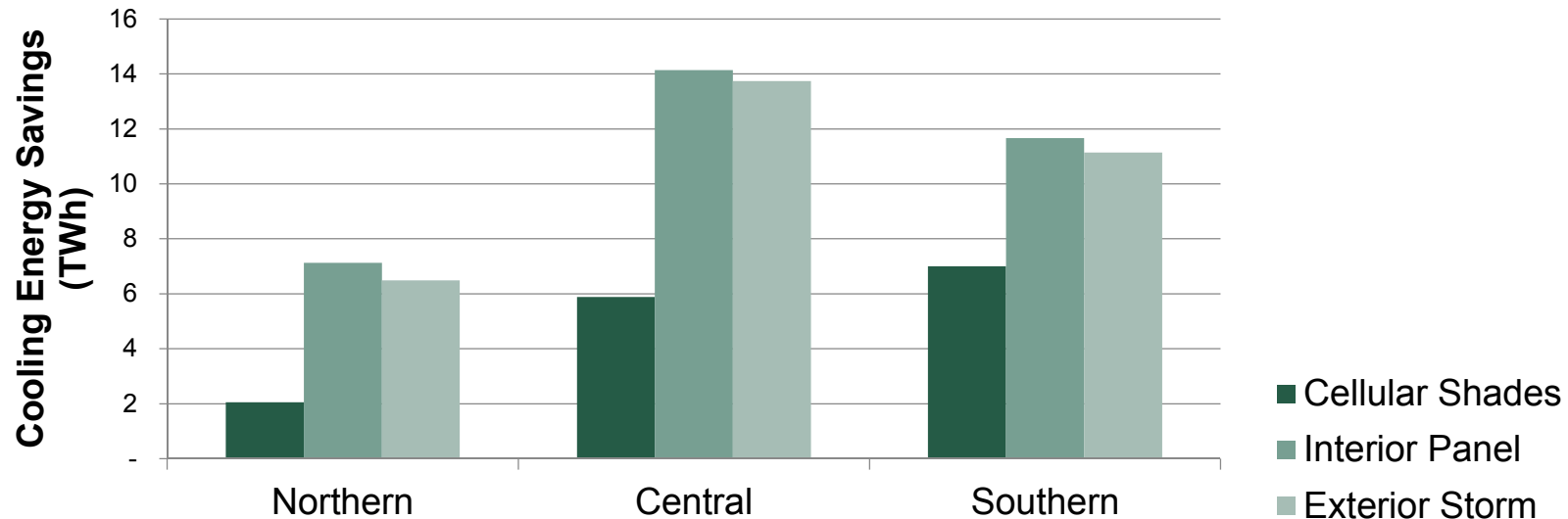
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Annual Savings Potential Across Product Types

Potential	Adoption	Heating (Billion Therms)	Cooling (TWh)
Technical	100%	2-4.3	14.9-31.5
Achievable	10%	0.2-0.4	1.4-3.1
	20%	0.4-0.8	2.8-6.2
	50%	1-2.15	7.45-15.75

- For gas heating and electric A/C homes ~25% of homes in the US

Technical Annual Savings Potential by Climate Zone



Household-Level Annual Savings – Typical Home

Average Household Savings in Million BTU (LBNL Weighted Scenario)

Region	Cities in Region	Cellular Shades	Exterior Storm Windows	Interior Panels
Northern	Boston, Chicago , Denver, Minneapolis	5.4	14.8	15.9
Central	Atlanta, Fort Worth, San Francisco , Washington DC	6.5	13.0	13.1
Southern	New Orleans, Phoenix, San Antonio , Tampa	6.6	9.5	8.6

Thank You

Questions?

How can window attachments save energy?

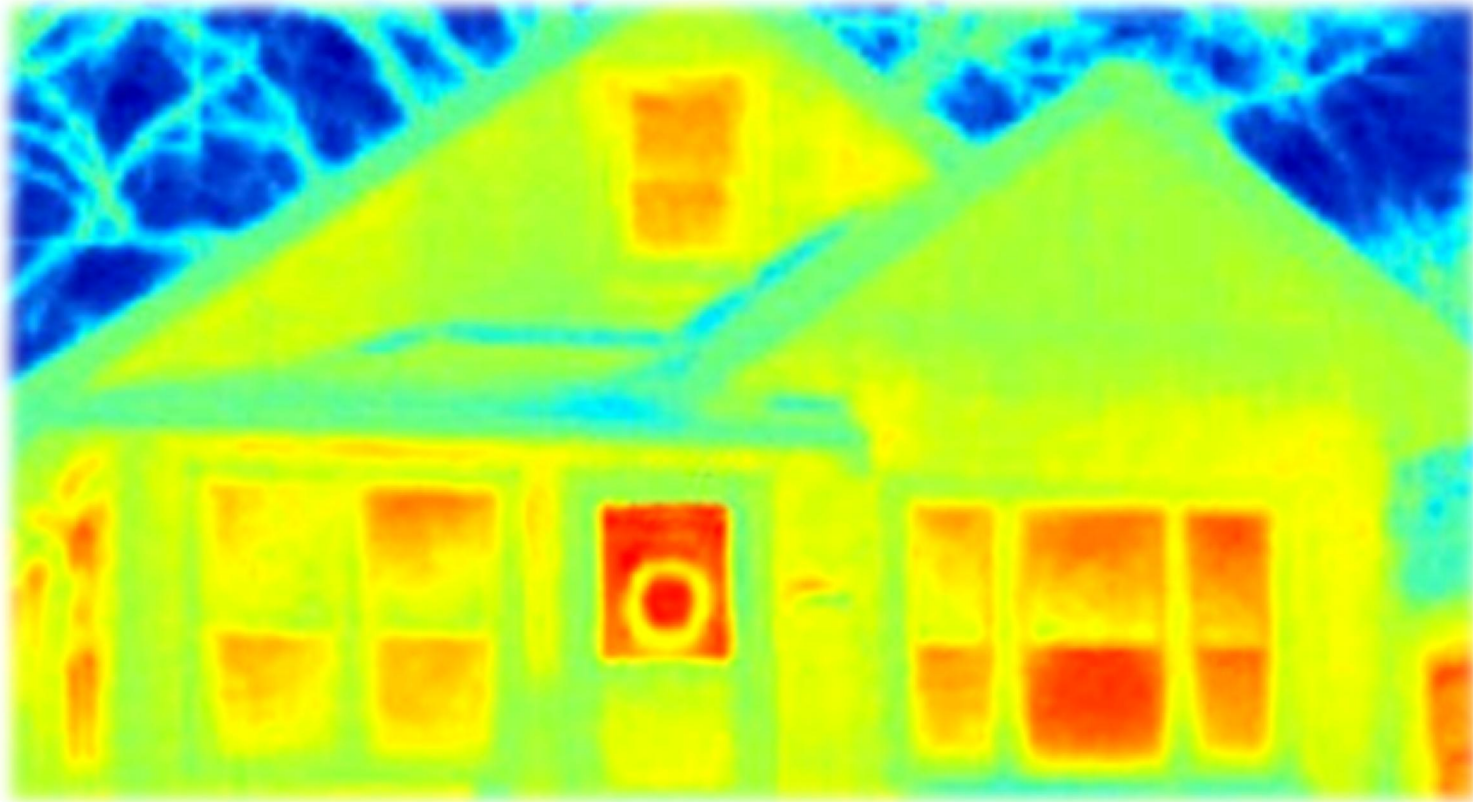
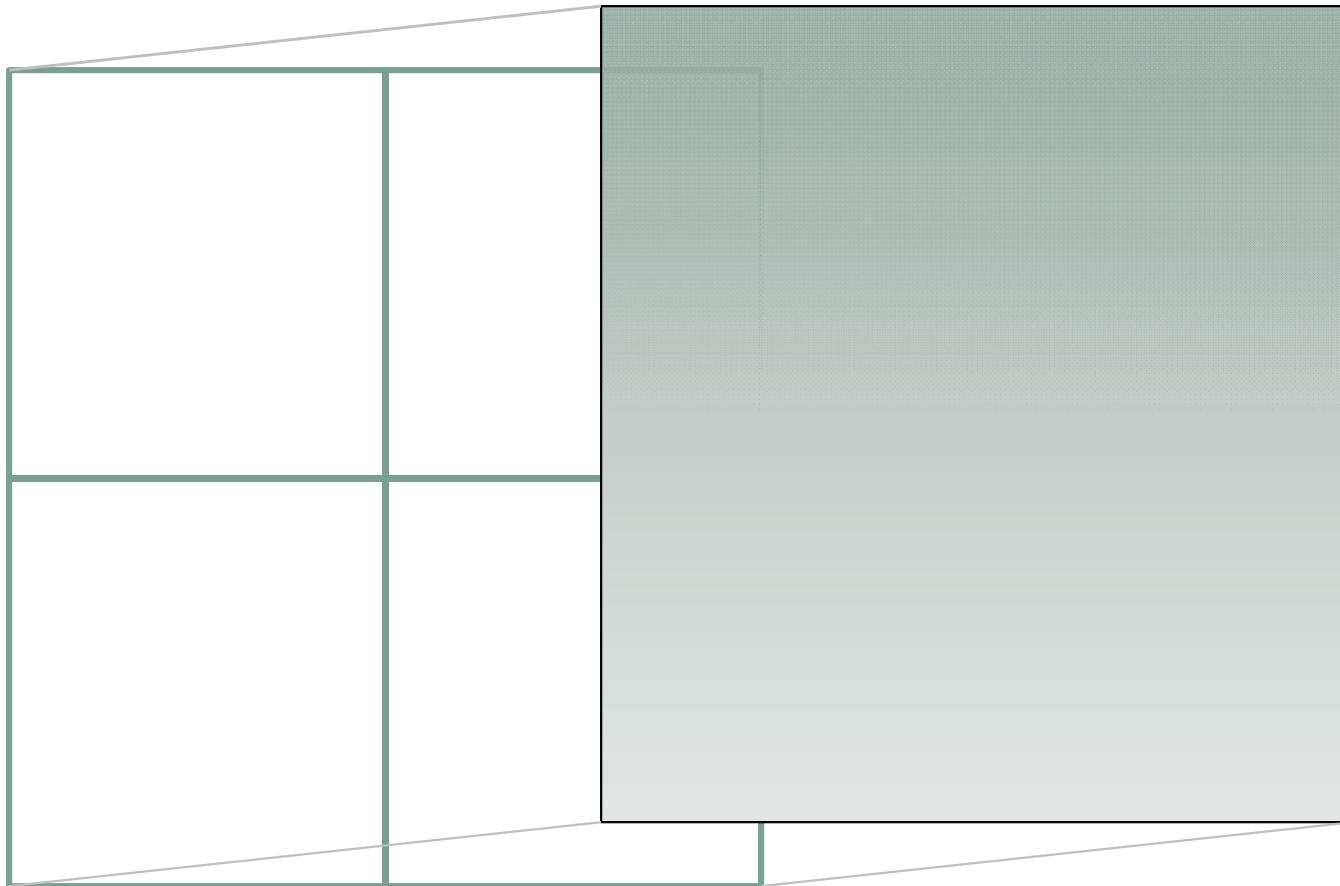


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Energy Efficient Window Attachments



Cellular Shades



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Low-e Panels and Storm Windows

Interior Panel

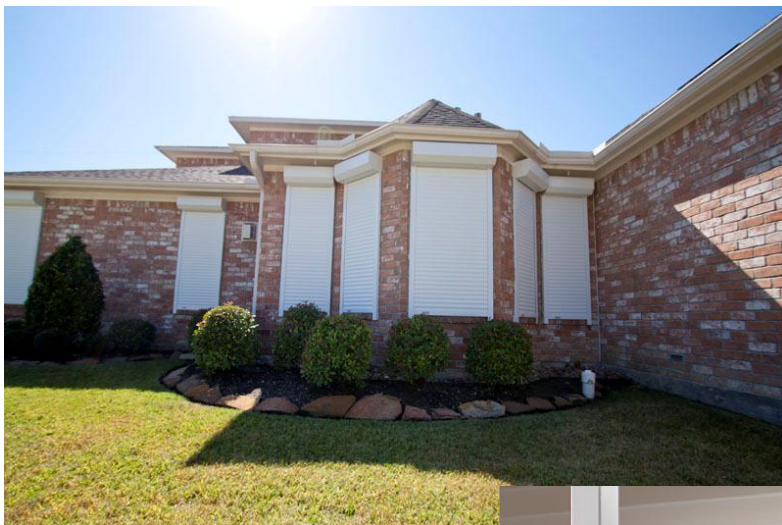


Storm Windows



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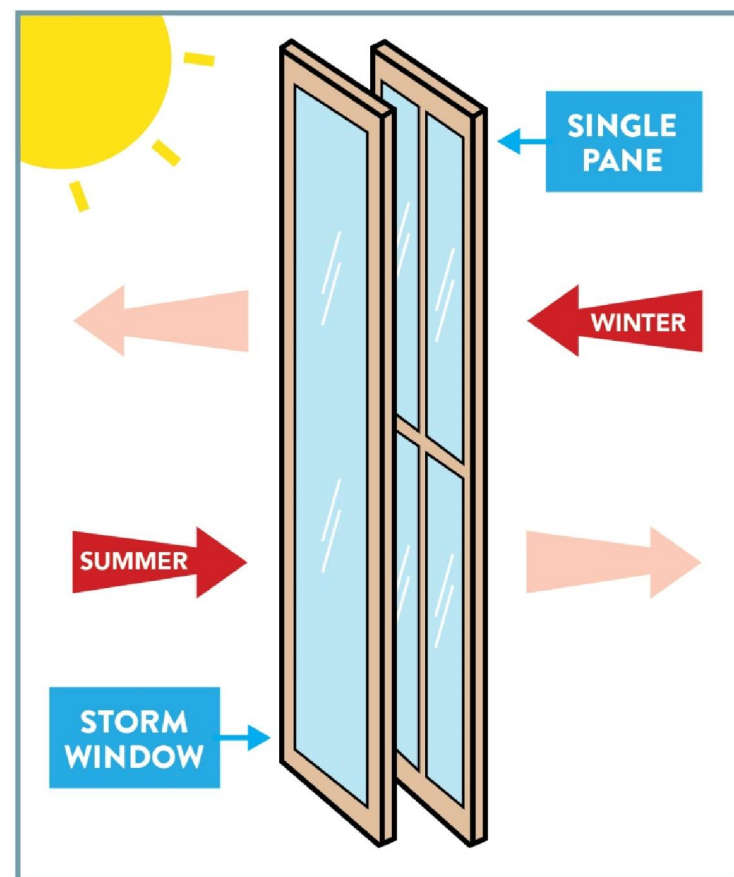
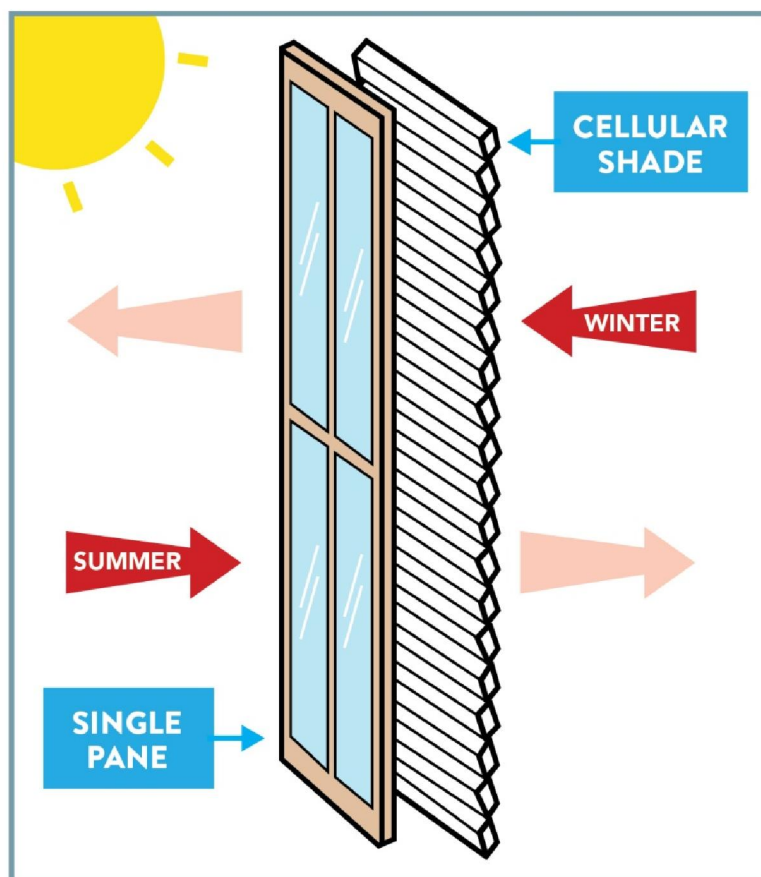
Exterior Shades, Shutters, and Awnings



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How Window Attachments Work

- Reduce heat flow in summer and winter



Can the savings potential for Cellular Shades be realized?

- 85% of windows have a covering
- Rapid stock turnover
 - **154 million – 235 million** window coverings sold each year
 - The majority of shipments are vinyl or metal horizontal blinds – **85 million** units

Can the savings potential for Low-E Storm Windows and Interior Panels be realized?

- **37%** of installed base is still single pane windows
- **Less than 2%** of windows are replaced each year

Low-E Panels/Storm Windows

Stocked at major DIY retailers in many states

<\$100 per opening

Can be self-installed

Estimation Method

- Methodology (See Paper)
- Key limitations

Basis for National and Regional Estimates

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Coming Soon

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Independent third-party certified energy-performance ratings from the Attachment Energy Rating Council (AERC)

- Field studies

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