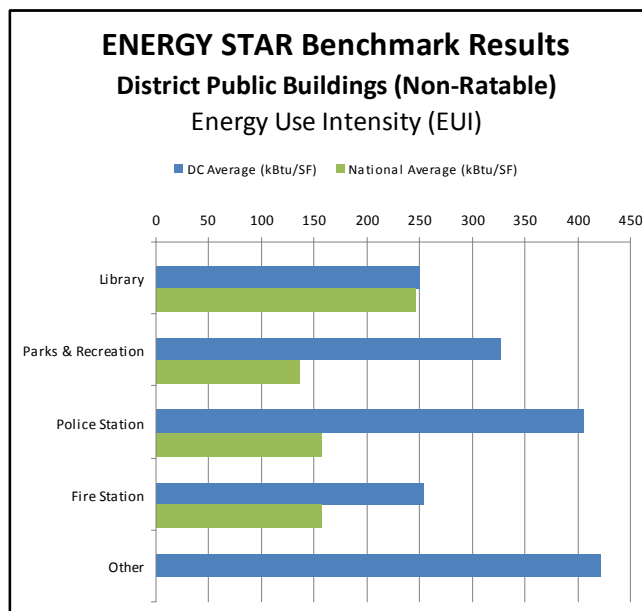
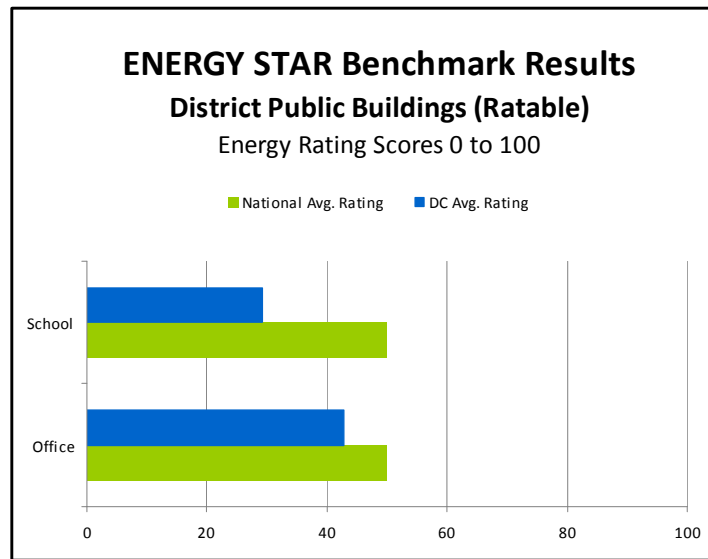


Overview

FY 2009 Public Buildings Benchmark Results

The District launched the annual benchmarking of its public buildings with FY 2009 following an FY 2008 pilot phase. In all 194 public buildings were benchmarked. Benchmark results for FY 2009 show that overall, public buildings in the District of Columbia perform below average compared to similar buildings nationwide. Libraries and office buildings perform at just below the national average, while District police stations use 2.5 times more energy than their counterparts nationwide. The District's recreation buildings and community centers also use approximately 2.5 times more energy than similar facilities nationwide. District fire stations use about 60% more energy than average. Data from the District's schools remains incomplete. However, initial benchmark results show a public schools building portfolio that is in the 29th percentile among schools nationwide for energy performance.



As seen in the two graphs above, FY 2009 benchmarking of District buildings reports energy performance using an energy rating score of 0 to 100 for office buildings and schools, and the less precise but useful EUI measure for “non-ratable” buildings including libraries, parks and recreation facilities, fire stations, police stations, and “other” various building types. FY 2009 benchmarking results of public buildings highlight many opportunities for energy improvement as well as the need for more accurate data and performance tracking of buildings overall. Some District public buildings, especially schools and parks and recreation facilities, do not have readily available information about building characteristics, operating schedules, and occupancy. Building-specific utility meter information is not always available. District staff is working to update and refine buildings information for FY 2010 benchmarking.