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Refrigeration System Comparison Hy-Vee Case Study

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Preface

You can't compare apples-to-apples *unless* you *only* have apples...
But, you *can* compare commonalities between apples and oranges.

~TF



apples to apples



not apples to apples...
but, still fruit

Our intent... To generate metrics, derived from commonalities among refrigeration architectures, which may provide insight into how those architectures compare.

Definitions

- **Architecture:**
Type of refrigeration system including its condenser (i.e. distributed, rack, secondary loop, DX, etc.)
- **Refrigeration [Energy]:**
Sum of: Compressors + Condensers + Cases (lights, fans, anti-sweats, etc.) + Defrost
- **Compressor COP (Coefficient of Performance):**
Required capacity [as kW] / comp input kW (ZF15K4E comp at -7F SST and 110F SCT has a capacity of 23,781 BTU/hr. and pulls 4.08 KW the
$$\text{COP} = 23,781 / (4.08 * 1000 * 3.41) = 1.71$$
 (NOTE: The higher the COP, the better)
- **System COP:**
Required capacity [as kW] / input kW (comp + cond + pumps + evap fans + load contributors[‡])
- **Energy vs Power:**
Energy = consumption in kWh
Power = demand in kW

[‡] contributors = case lights, defrost & anti-sweats

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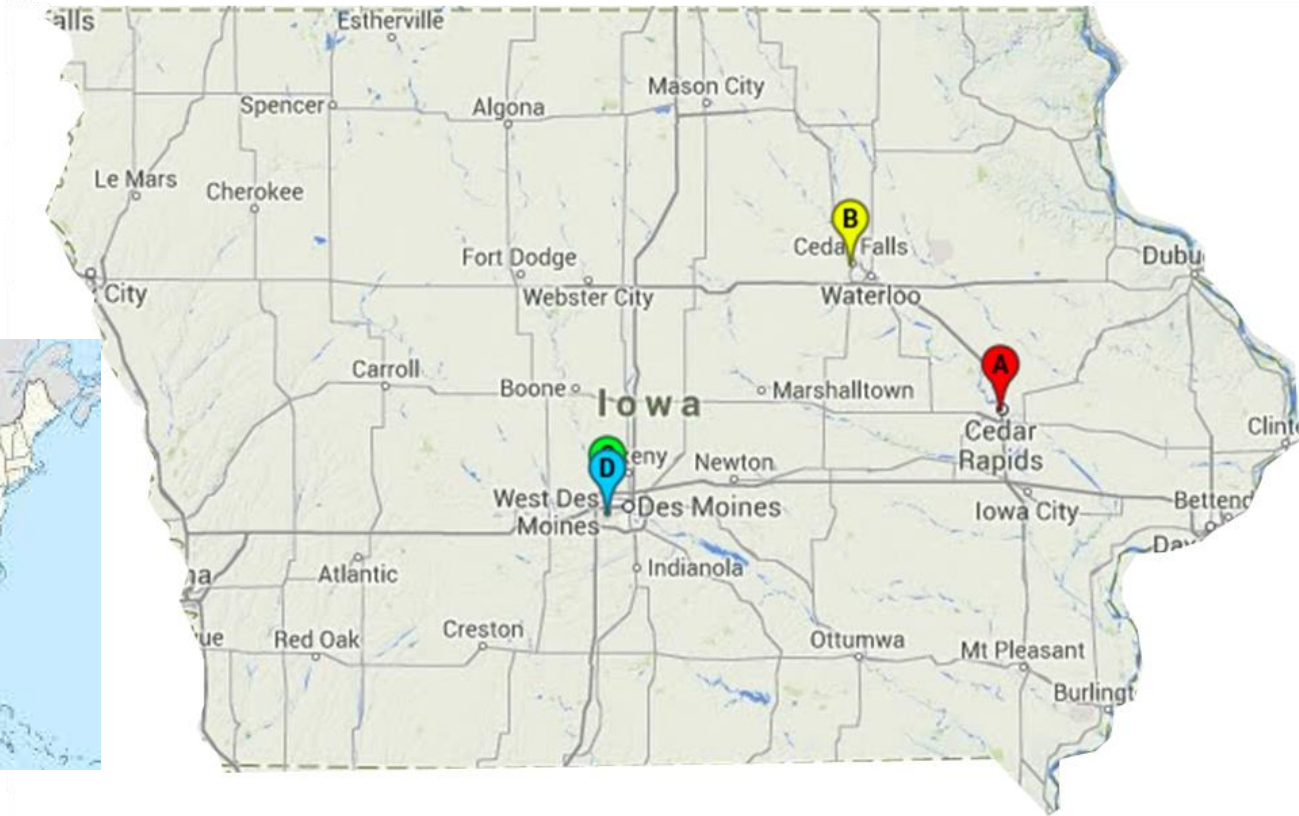
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Locations Chosen



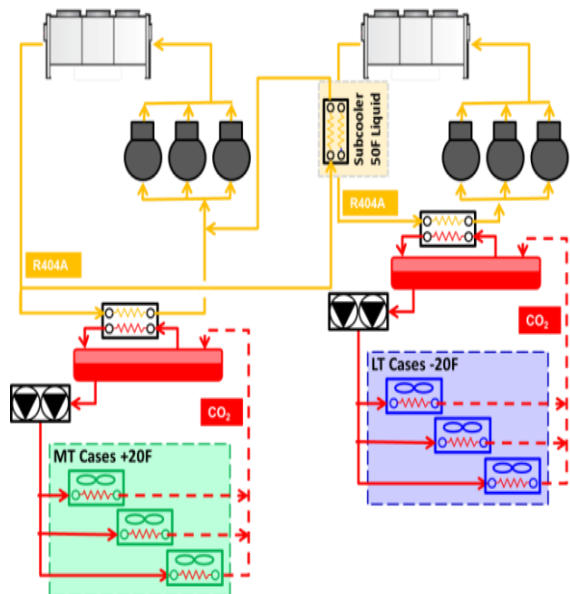
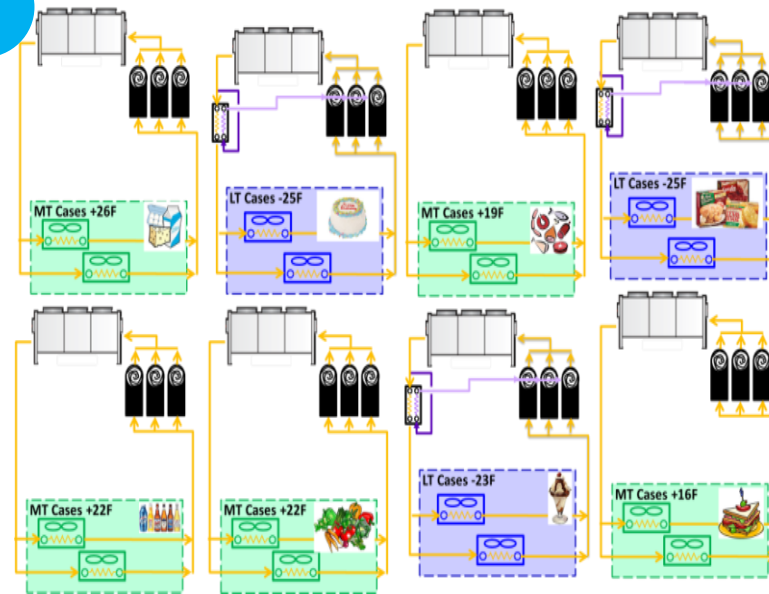
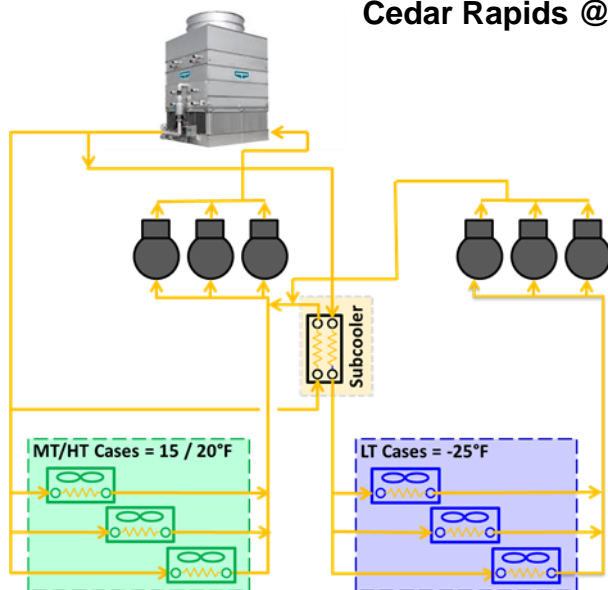
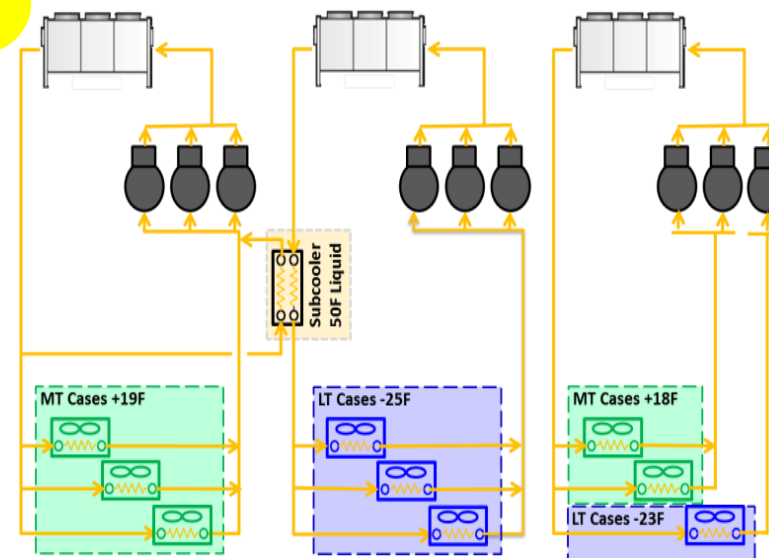
- A. Open-drive DX Racks / Evap. Cooled
- B. Multiple DX Racks/Distributed (1)
- C. MT & LT Secondary CO₂ Racks
- D. Distributed DX

Cedar Rapids, IA

Cedar Falls, IA

Urbandale, IA

West Des Moines, IA

C**Urbendale @ 95k sq-ft****Centralized Liquid CO₂ Recirc. Rack****D****W. Des Moines @ 83k sq-ft****Distributed DX Racks****A****Cedar Rapids @ 67k sq-ft****Centralized DX Rack / Evaporative Cooled****B****Cedar Falls @ 81k sq-ft****Centralized DX Rack**

Architectures

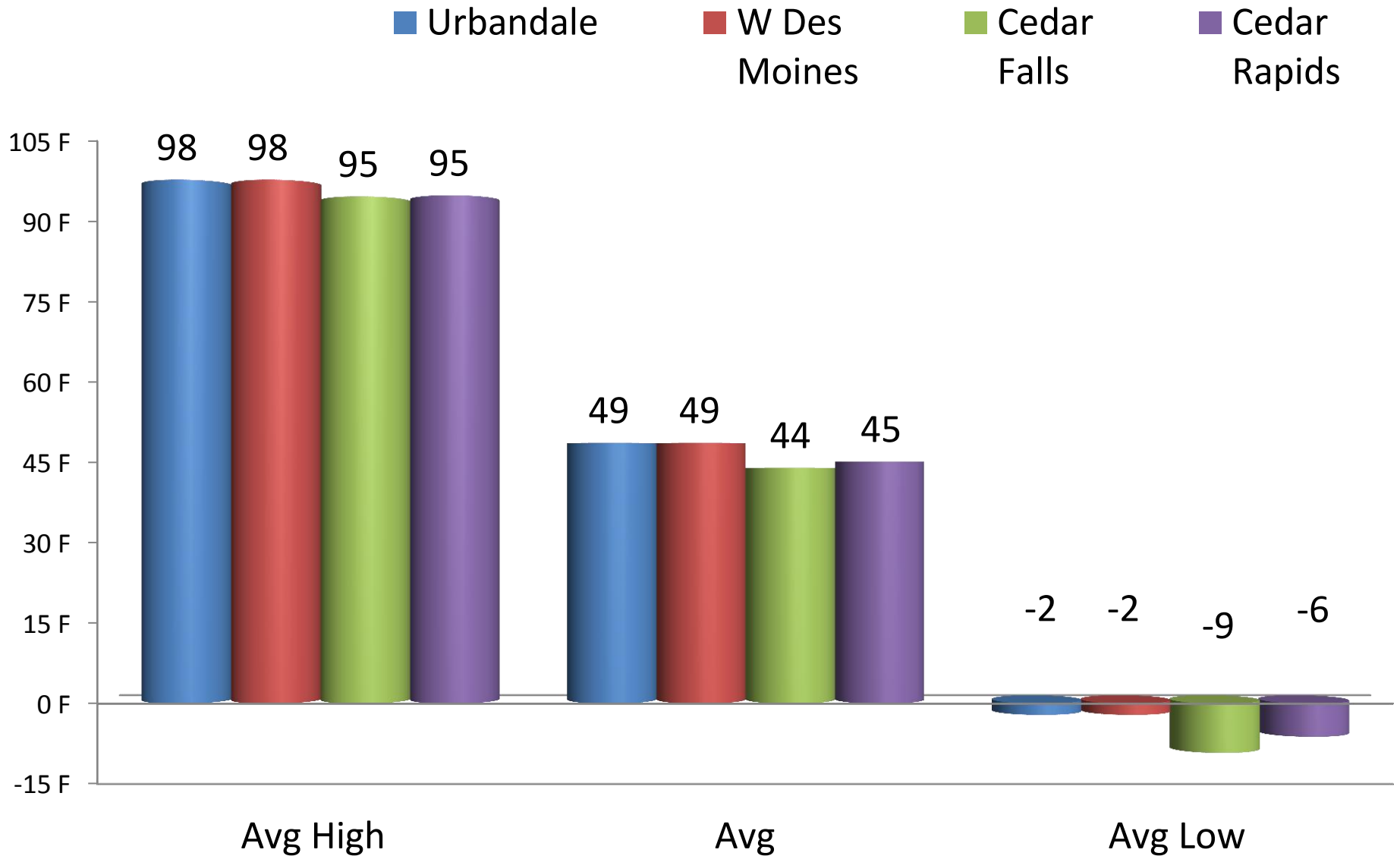
Location	LT	MT	Cond	LEDs	Doors
Urbandale	R-404A & CO ₂ LR	R-404A & CO ₂ LR	Air	LT & MT Dairy	LT & MT Dairy
W. Des Moines	R-404A DX Distributed	R-404A DX Distributed	Air	NO	LT
Cedar Falls	R-404A DX Rack	R-404A DX Rack & Distributed (for wine/spirits)	Air	NO	LT
Cedar Rapids	R-404A DX Open Drive	R-404A DX Open [Direct] Drive	Evap	NO	LT

Note: Urbandale MT Dairy has 256 ft. of Open Throat cases applied with doors reducing the load from 1,260 BTU/ft. to 252 BTU/ft. (an 80% reduction)

Summary Case Data - LT

Location	App.	Fans (Watts)/Type	Lights (Watts)/Type	Total (Watts)	Total by store (Watts)
Urbandale	LT	4,815 HE	4,144 LED	8,959	38,402
	MT	12,127 HE	17,316 LED/FI	29,443	
W. Des Moines	LT	13,321 Std.	12,412 FI	25,733	73,195
	MT	21,252 HE	26,210 FI	47,462	
Cedar Falls	LT	13,995 Std.	14,520 FI	28,515	76,254
	MT	20,164 HE	27,575 FI	47,739	
Cedar Rapids	LT	6,927 HE	11,528 FI	18,455	66,372
	MT	22,771 HE	25,146 FI	47,917	

Weather (NOAA)



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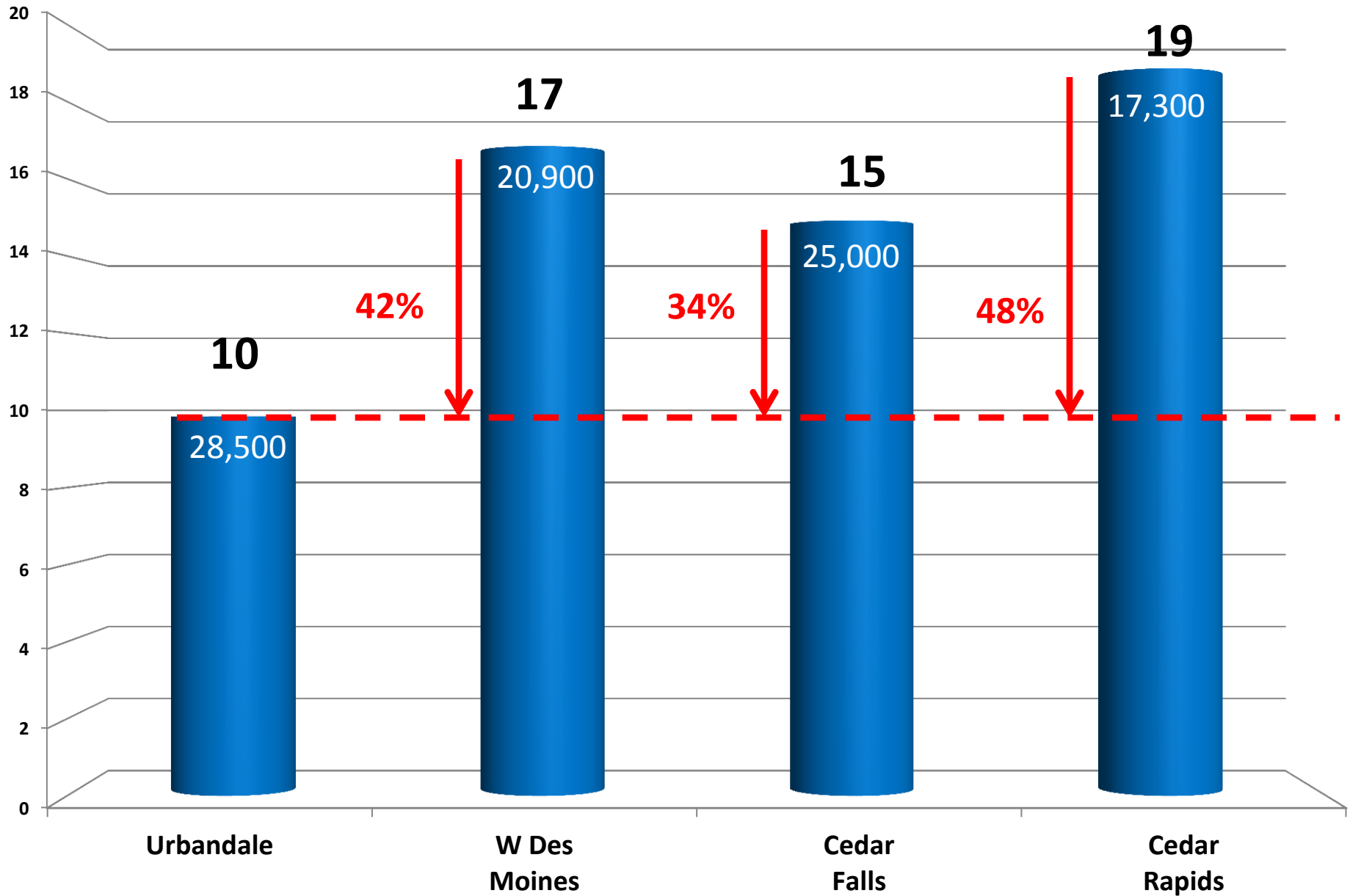
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Store Characteristics

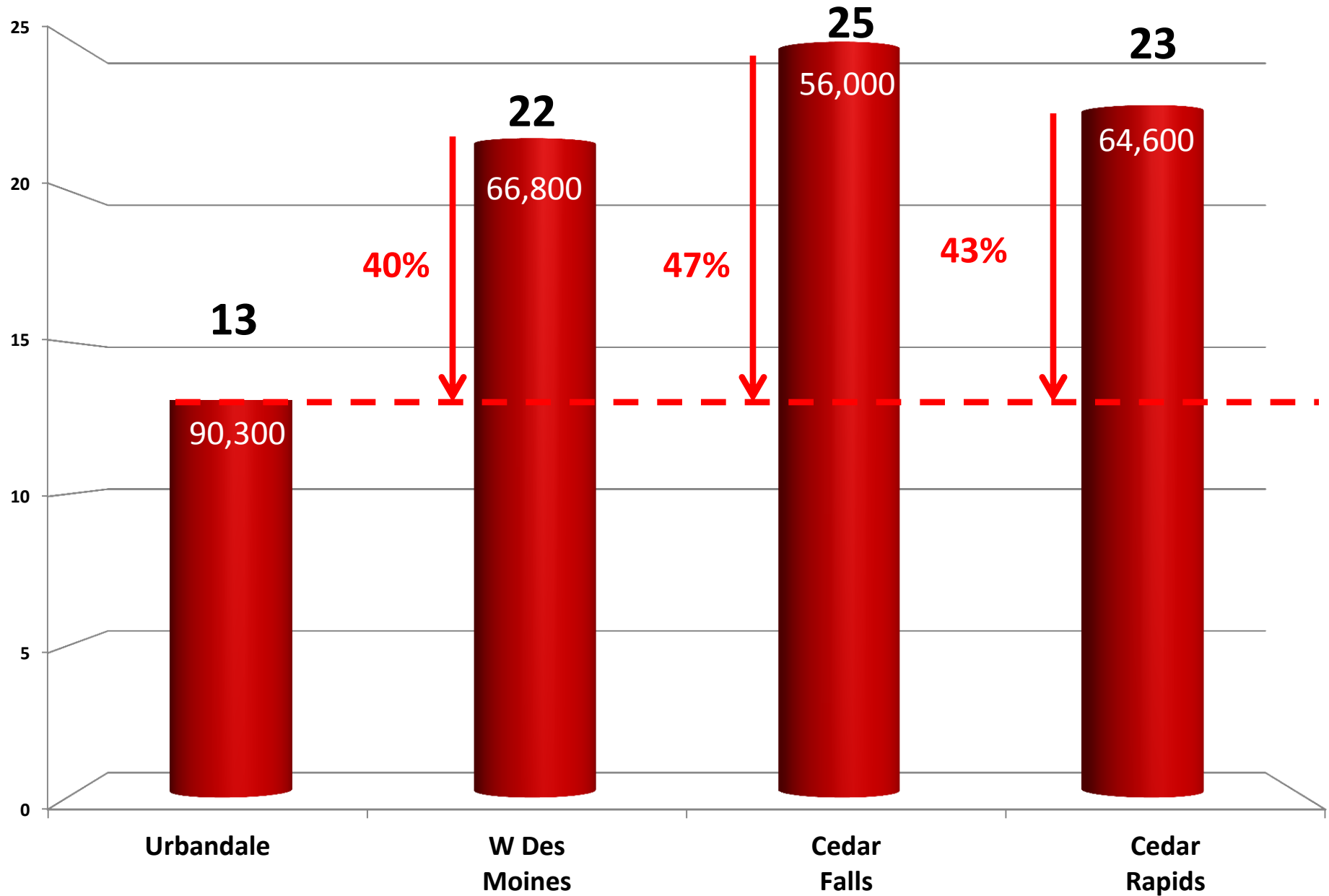
Location	Sq-ft of store	Case&WI sq.ft./ Store sq-ft	Total store energy kBtu/sq-ft	Linear Ft of case	Refrigeration Load <i>MBTU</i>	LT <i>% of load</i>	MT <i>% of load</i>
Urbandale	95,188	13.5%	223	1,942	1,463	19.2%	80.8%
W. Des Moines	82,982	12.3%	242	1,613	1,803	19.5%	80.5%
Cedar Falls	80,631	12.0%	264	1,787	1,767	21.2%	78.8%
Cedar Rapids	67,311	13.3%	315	1,508	1,799	18.2%	81.8%

Note: kBtu = gas & electric energy – total store

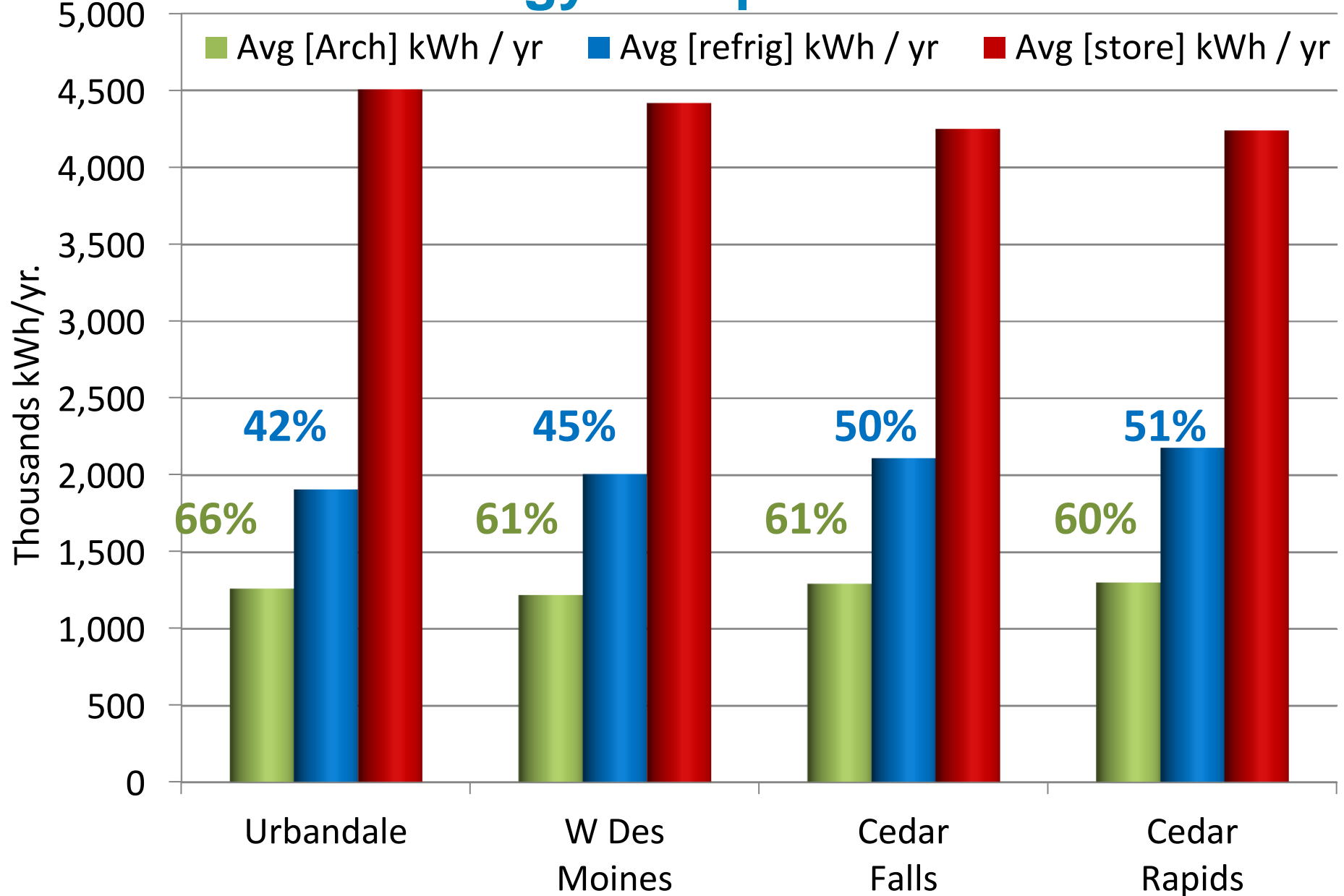
[LT, required load] **BTU/cu-ft** [of case]



[MT, required load] **BTU/cu-ft** [of case]



Energy Comparison



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COP Impact & SSTs

	Urbandale		W. Des Moines		Cedar Falls		Cedar Rapids	
	Averaged Compressor COP & Saturated Suction Temps							
	CO ₂ Secondary		Distributed		DX + Distributed		DX [OD] + E.Con.	
	COP	SST	COP	SST	COP	SST	COP	SST
LT	2.07	-27	2.45	-22	2.52	-24	2.61	-25
MT	3.18	13	4.33	19	4.46	18	5.26	18

	Architecture COP (includes comp, cond., fans, pumps) & Drop from Comp. COP							
	Urbandale		W. Des Moines		Cedar Falls		Cedar Rapids	
	CO ₂ Recirc.		Distributed		DX + Distributed		DX [OD] + E.Con.	
	COP	% Drop	COP	% Drop	COP	% Drop	COP	% Drop
LT	1.79	14%	1.84	25%	1.83	27%	1.74	33%
MT	2.38	25%	2.92	32%	2.74	38%	3.61	31%

Condenser Efficiencies

% / °F	Urbandale	W. Des Moines	Cedar Falls	Cedar Rapids
	Air	Air	Air	Evaporative
LT	1.36%	1.93%	1.27%	1.13% (air)
MT	2.17%	2.51%	1.66%	0.87% (H2O)

If we have a 1 degree change in ambient outdoor temperature the % shown is the increase or decrease in energy used.



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Case Study Conclusions

- There is not one solution for every application.
- Energy impact to the architecture and total store energy is significant when adding doors & LEDs on cases.
- The old assumption of 50% of the total electrical load is the refrigeration system is true, however, this can be reduced by paying close attention to the load structure (i.e. LED's, Doors, EEF, VFD).
- The impact to COP is negatively affected when adding the condenser and evaporator energy however, this can have a smaller impact by paying attention to loads such as fans (including VFD's on condensers), LED lights and doors.
- The original goal of determining the “best” architecture cannot be derived from this study. [Stay tuned for the sequel.]
- Leak management must be considered, yes even in an energy study.

Lessons Learned

- Determine scope and goals – make sure the infrastructure you have designed and have in place allows you to accomplish the goals
- Know your data and data points – consistency is key.
- Sensors, sensors, sensors! Calibration, calibration, calibration!
- Give ample time to evaluate – some “issues” don’t show up until the end
- There is no one system that is the silver bullet, each store design has specific needs and these must be addressed.
- Working in a vacuum – sucks!

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Questions?

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