## Embodied Energy and Embodied Carbon of Low Income Houses in Thailand

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### CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

This report is a part of a quarter report for a period of September 2015 of ELITH-Thailand. The past report presented alternative building models, their BOQ, embedded energy, and GHG emissions of the rest of the houses found during the surveys to illustrate the change, and the impact on energy use and GHG emissions. The representative houses of each region were selected based on designs of existing and near future house which are mostly concrete houses. This report presents embodied energy and embodied carbon of the houses found during the surveys to illustrate the change, and the impact on energy use and GHG emissions.

Chapter 1 of this report presents on introduction of this report. Background and significance of this report are described.

Chapter 2 shows embodied energy and embodied carbon of single detached houses of each region. The results are addition to the past progress report to illustrate the change, and the impact on embodied energy and embodied carbon of housing design and material use.

## CHAPTER 2 EMBODIED ENERGY AND EMBODIED CARBON

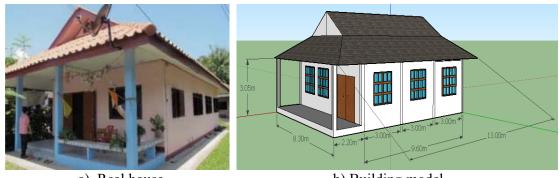
This Chapter presents Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of single detached houses of houses found during the surveys of each region. The results are addition to the past progress report to illustrate the change, and the impact on Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of housing design and material use.

#### 2.1 Sample houses of northern region

As mentioned in the past progress report, There are 3 housing designs of Northern Thailand found in the surveys; (1) house constructed by concrete, (2) wooden house, and (3) house constructed by combination of concrete and wood. In the past progress report, only GHG emission data of the house. This report presents the Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the housing design.

#### House constructed by concrete

The plot area of the house is 11.80 x 8.30 m. The height of the floor is 3.05 m. The ground floor comprises multi-function room, restroom and there are two or three bedrooms. Kitchen, cloth washing area and bathroom are at the backside of the house. They use common, affordable and durable materials for their houses. Roofing materials are roof tile. Ceilings are made from fiber cement panels. Walls are constructed from concrete block as shown in Figure 2.1.



a) Real house

b) Building model

Figure 2.1 House constructed by concrete of Northern Thailand.

Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.1. The results show that this type of house Embodied energy of 127,172 MJ or 1,298 MJ/m<sup>2</sup> and Embodied carbon of 14,410 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq or 147 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq/m<sup>2</sup> which is higher than the wooden house, and house constructed by combination of concrete and wood.

Part of	Materials	Quantity	Em	bodied ene	ergy	Em	bodied car	bon
Structure	Materials	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO2eq	kgCO2eq/m <sup>2</sup>
Error Istica	Sand	864	0.081	70	1	0.0051	4	0.04
Foundation and structure	Concrete	35,314	0.75	26486	270	0.107	3779	39
and structure	Steel	796	20.1	15996	163	1.46	1162	12
	Roof Tiles	2,104	12	25247	258	0.78	1641	17
Roof	Fiber Cement panels	32	10.4	329	3	1.09	35	0.4
Ceiling	Fiber Cement panels	736	10.4	7657	78	1.09	803	8
Wall	Cement	5,503	4.5	24764	253	0.74	4072	42
	Cement	929	4.5	4179	43	0.74	687	7
Concrete	Concrete	11,626	0.75	8719	89	0.107	1244	13
block	Sand	6,608	0.081	535	5	0.0051	34	0.3
	Lime	532	5.3	2822	29	0.78	415	4
Doors and	Glass	881	11.5	10135	103	0.59	520	5
windows	Hardwood	$22 (ft^3)$	10.4	233	2	0.67	15	0.2
	Total						14410	147

Table 2.1 Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of house constructed by concrete and wood of Northern Thailand.

#### House constructed by concrete and wood

This feature of house was renovated from 2-storey wooden house to comply with their current living style of people in Northern Thailand. The family size is smaller and only elderly people are left to live alone in local area. The 2-storey house is not comfortable for them to climb up therefore the house was renovated to be a single storey. This housing feature is found around 20% of the samples and all of them are over 20 years old. Combination of the use of concrete wall and wooden wall are applied for this type of house as shown in Figure 2.2. Wall section below windows is constructed by concrete and upper part is constructed by wood (from the original house).



a) Real house

b) Building model

Figure 2.2 House constructed by concrete and wood of Northern Thailand.

Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.2. The results show that this type of house Embodied energy of 101,921 MJ or 1,092 MJ/m<sup>2</sup> and Embodied carbon of 9,924 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq or 106 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq/m<sup>2</sup> which is lower than the concrete house because more than 50% of this house is constructed by wood.

Part of	Materials	Quantity	Em	Embodied energy			$\begin{array}{c ccccc} 4 & 0.05 \\ \hline 4,324 & 46 \\ \hline 1,244 & 13 \\ \hline 1,641 & 18 \\ \hline 35 & 0.4 \\ \hline 803 & 9 \\ \hline 729 & 8 \\ \hline 123 & 1 \\ \hline 223 & 2 \\ \end{array}$	
Structure	wrateriais	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO2eq           4           4,324           1,244           1,641           35           803           729           123           223           6	kgCO2eq/m <sup>2</sup>
E	Sand	864	0.081	70	1	0.0051	4	0.05
Foundation and structure	Concrete	40,411	0.75	30308	325	0.107	4,324	46
and structure	Steel	852	20.1	17129	184	1.46	1,244	13
	Roof Tiles	2,104	12	25247	271	0.78	1,641	18
Roof	Fiber Cement panels	32	10.4	329	4	1.09	35	0.4
Ceiling	Fiber Cement panels	736	10.4	7657	82	1.09	803	9
Wall	Cement	986	4.5	4435	48	0.74	729	8
	Cement	166	4.5	748	8	0.74	123	1
Comente	Concrete	2,082	0.75	1562	17	0.107	223	2
Concrete block	Sand	1,184	0.081	96	1	0.0051	6	0.1
DIOCK	Lime	95	5.3	505	5	0.78	74	1
	Hardwood	30(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	308	3	0.67	20	0.2
Doors and	Glass	1,149	11.5	13216	142	0.59	678	7
windows	Hardwood	$30(ft^3)$	10.4	310	3	0.67	20	0.2
	Total			101921	1092		9924	106

**Table 2.2** Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of house constructed by concrete and wood of Northern Thailand.

#### Wooden house

The last housing feature in Northern Thailand is wooden houses as shown in Figure 2.3. The house was also renovated from 2-storey wooden house to comply with their current living style. The house constructed by using wood from the original house. This housing feature is found around 20% of the samples and all of them are over 20 years old.



a) Real house b) Building model Figure 2.3 Wooden house of Northern Thailand.

Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.3. Embodied energy of 69,815 MJ or 713  $MJ/m^2$  and Embodied carbon of 6,583 kgCO<sub>2</sub> eq or 67 kgCO<sub>2</sub> eq/m<sup>2</sup> which is lower than the concrete house and the house constructed by concrete and wood.

Part of	Materials	Quantity	Em	bodied ene	ergy	Em	bodied car	·bon
Structure	wrateriais	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO2eq	kgCO2eq/m <sup>2</sup>
	Sand	864	0.081	70	1	0.0051	4	0.04
Foundation	Concrete	29,509	0.75	22132	226	0.107	3157	32
and structure	Steel	852	20.1	17129	175	1.46	1244	13
	Hardwood	$162(ft^3)$	10.4	1682	17	0.67	108	1
Roof	Roof Tiles	2,182	12	26183	267	0.78	1702	17
	Cement	138	4.5	619	6	0.74	102	1
Concrete	Concrete	1,722	0.75	1292	13	0.107	184	2
block	Sand	976	0.081	79	1	0.0051	5	0.1
Olock	Lime	79	5.3	418	4	0.78	62	1
	Hardwood	$4(ft^3)$	10.4	37	0	0.67	2	0.02
Doors and windows	Hardwood	17(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	175	2	0.67	11	0.1
	Total						6583	67

**Table 2.3** Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of wooden house of Northern Thailand.

## 2.2 Sample houses of northeastern region

As mentioned in the past progress report, There are 2 housing designs of Northeastern Thailand found in the surveys; (1) wooden house, and (2) house constructed by combination of concrete and wood. In the past progress report, only GHG emission data of the house constructed by combination of concrete and wood which was selected to be representative house was presented. This report presents the Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the rest housing design.

#### Wooden house

Figure 2.4 shows housing feature of wooden house of Northeastern Thailand. This feature of house is original style of house constructed by combination of concrete and wood before adding concrete walls on the first floor. The reason of adding concrete walls is to be living room and bedroom for the elderly people who have difficulty on climbing up (living style of people is quite similar to Northern region). This housing feature is still found around 10% of the samples and all of them are over 40 years old.



a) Real house b) Building model **Figure 2.4** Wooden house of Northeastern Thailand.

Bill of Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.4. Embodied energy of 52,961 MJ or 447  $MJ/m^2$  and Embodied carbon of 4,220 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq or 36 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq/m<sup>2</sup> which is lower than the house constructed by combination of concrete and wood.

Part of	Materials	Quantity	Embodied energy		Em	bodied car	·bon	
Structure	wrateriais	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO <sub>2</sub> eq	kgCO2eq/m <sup>2</sup>
	Sand	864	0.081	70	1	0.0051	4	0.04
Foundation	Concrete	6,992	0.75	5,244	44	0.107	748	6
and structure	Steel	143	20.1	2,874	24	1.46	209	2
	Hardwood	154(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	1,597	13	0.67	103	1
Roof	Galvanized iron	1,104	22.6	24,950	211	1.54	1,700	14
Floor	Hardwood	79(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	821	7	0.67	53	0.4
Ceiling	Cement	986	4.5	4,435	37	0.74	729	6
Wall	Hardwood	30(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	311	3	0.67	20	0.2
Doors and	Glass	1,072	11.5	12,331	104	0.59	633	5
windows	Hardwood	31(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	327	3	0.67	21	0.2
	Total						4,220	36

**Table 2.4** Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of wooden house of Northeastern Thailand.

## House constructed by concrete and wood

All houses of the samples are over 20 years old and most of them are Inheritances from their ancestor, this is why main wall materials are still wood although currently it is very expensive but after changing of living styles such as migrations of people to municipal areas cause smaller family sizes and leaving the elderly alone with children, the housing features were renovated by adding concrete walls of the downstairs as in Figure 3.6 to be easier for the elderly who is difficult to climb up and down the houses. For new houses, a single storey houses with concrete walls as increased as same as in the northern region due to cheaper and faster constructions.



a) Real house b) Building model Figure 2.5 House constructed by concrete and wood of Northern Thailand.

Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.5. Embodied energy of 89,135 MJ or 595 MJ/m<sup>2</sup> and Embodied carbon of 9,338 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq or 62 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq/m<sup>2</sup> which is higher than the wooden house.

Part of	Materials	Quantity	Em	Embodied energy			4         0.03           2,902         19           398         3           1,700         11           2,180         15           368         2           666         4		
Structure	wrateriais	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO2eq	kgCO <sub>2</sub> eq/m <sup>2</sup> 0.03 19 3 11 15 2 4 0.1 1 1 1 4	
<b>F</b> 1.4	Sand	864	0.081	70	0.5	0.0051	4	0.03	
Foundation and structure	Concrete	27,117	0.75	20,338	136	0.107	2,902	19	
and structure	Steel	273	20.1	5,478	37	1.46	398	3	
Roof	Galvanized steel sheet	1,104	22.6	24,950	167	1.54	1,700	11	
Ceiling	Cement	2,946	4.5	13,255	88	0.74	2,180	15	
	Cement	497	4.5	2,237	15	0.74	368	2	
C I	Concrete	6,223	0.75	4,667	31	0.107	666	4	
Concrete block	Sand	3,536	0.081	286	2	0.0051	18	0.1	
DIOCK	Lime	285	5.3	1,510	10	0.78	222	1	
	Hardwood	309(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	3,209	21	0.67	207	1	
Doors and windows	Glass	1,142	11.5	13,134	88	0.59	674	4	
	Total						9,338	62	

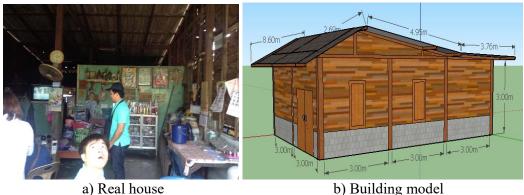
**Table 2.5** Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of House constructed by concrete and wood of Northeastern Thailand.

## 2.3 Sample houses of southern region

As mentioned in the past progress report, There are 3 housing designs of Southern Thailand found in the surveys; (1) 1-storey wooden house, (2) 1-storey concrete house, and (3) 2-storey concrete house. In the past progress report, only GHG emission data of the 1-storey concrete house which was selected to be representative house was presented. This report presents the Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the rest housing design.

## 1-storey wooden house

The last housing feature in Southern Thailand is 1-storey wooden houses as shown in Figure 2.6. This feature of house is original style of 1-storey concrete house before changing wall materials to be concrete walls. This housing feature is still found around 10% of the samples and all of them are over 20 years old.



a) Real house b) Building model **Figure 2.6** 1-storey wooden house of Southern Thailand. Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.6. The results show that this type of house Embodied energy of 37,069 MJ or 573

 $MJ/m^2$  and Embodied carbon of 4,519 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq or 70 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq/m<sup>2</sup> which is lower than the 1-storey concrete house and 2-storey concrete house.

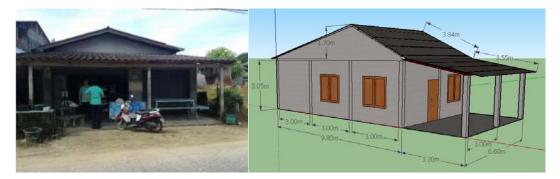
Part of	Materials	Quantity	Em	nbodied energy		Em	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		
Structure	wrateriais	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO2eq	kgCO2eq/m <sup>2</sup>	
	Sand	864	0.081	70	1	0.0051	4	0.1	
Foundation	Concrete	20,939	0.75	15704	243	0.107	2,240	35	
and structure	Steel	238	20.1	4793	74	1.46	348	5	
	Hardwood	$139(ft^3)$	10.4	1448	22	0.67	93	1	
Roof	Fiber Cement panels	623	10.4	6482	100	1.09	679	11	
Ceiling	Cement	896	4.5	4032	62	0.74	663	10	
	Cement	151	4.5	680	11	0.74	112	2	
	Concrete	1,893	0.75	1420	22	0.107	203	3	
Concrete block	Sand	1,072	0.081	87	1	0.0051	5	0.1	
UIUCK	Lime	87	5.3	459	7	0.78	68	1	
	Hardwood	$35(ft^3)$	10.4	361	6	0.67	23	0.4	
Doors and	Galvanized iron	126	11.5	1451	22	0.59	74	1	
windows	Hardwood	8(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	82	1	0.67	5	0.1	
	Total						4,519	70	

**Table 2.6** Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of 1-storey wooden house of

 Southern Thailand.

## 1-storey concrete house

The survey results found that 1-storey house is the most popular house style in the region. The house structure needs to be strong and withstand the weather. Most houses are built from concrete block, cement and steel. Windows and doors are made from hardwood. The low slope roofing with steel structure, generally made from roof tiles, is designed to reduce the storm impacts. Due to hot and humid weather, the house has no ceiling because the people needs more space for good ventilation. The partitions are used to separate a bed room out from multipurpose area. During day time, the terrace is also utilized as a living space because the outside temperature is much lower than the temperature inside the house.



a) Real house b) Building model **Figure 2.7** 1-storey concrete house of Southern Thailand. Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.7. The results show that this type of house Embodied energy of 84,911 MJ or 909  $MJ/m^2$  and Embodied carbon of 10,197 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq or 119 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq/m<sup>2</sup> which is lower than the 2-storey concrete house.

Part of	Materials	Quantity	Em	bodied ene	ergy	Em	bodied car	bon
Structure	wrateriais	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO2eq	kgCO2eq/m <sup>2</sup>
	Sand	800	0.081	65	1	0.0051	4	0.05
Foundation and structure	Concrete	23874	0.75	17906	209	0.107	2,555	30
and structure	Steel	761	20.1	15297	178	1.46	1,111	13
Roof	Roof Tiles	1414	12	16972	198	0.78	1,103	13
Ceiling	Cement	4609	4.5	20740	242	0.74	3,411	40
	Cement	778	4.5	3500	41	0.74	576	7
Concrete	Concrete	9736	0.75	7302	85	0.107	1,042	12
block	Sand	5536	0.081	448	5	0.0051	28	0.3
	Lime	446	5.3	2363	28	0.78	348	4
Doors and windows	Hardwood	31(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	318	4	0.67	20	0.2
	Total						10197	119

**Table 2.7** Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of 1-storey concrete house of Southern Thailand.

## 2-storey concrete house

Figure 2.8 shows housing feature of 2-storey concrete house of Southern Thailand. This feature of house is mostly built for higher income earners of Southern Thailand. This housing feature is found around 20% of the samples and all of them are between 5-10 years old.



a) Real house b) Building model Figure 2.8 2-storey concrete house of Southern Thailand.

Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.8. The results show that this type of house Embodied energy of 88,553 MJ or 628  $MJ/m^2$  and Embodied carbon of 11,448 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq or 81 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq/m<sup>2</sup> which is higher than the 1-storey concrete house

**Table 2.8** Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of 2-storey concrete house of Southern Thailand.

Part of	Materials	Quantity	Em	bodied ene	ergy	Em	bodied car	bon
Structure	Materials	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO2eq	kgCO2eq/m <sup>2</sup>
E	Sand	864	0.081	70	0	0.0051	4	0.03
Foundation and structure	Concrete	13064	0.75	9798	69	0.107	1398	10
and structure	Steel	888	20.1	17840	126	1.46	1296	9
Roof	Fiber Cement panels	497	10.4	5171	37	1.09	542	4
Ceiling	Cement	6721	4.5	30244	214	0.74	4973	35
	Cement	1134	4.5	5104	36	0.74	839	6
Concrete	Concrete	14198	0.75	10648	75	0.107	1519	11
block	Sand	8064	0.081	653	5	0.0051	41	0.3
	Lime	650	5.3	3446	24	0.78	507	4
	Glass	280	11.5	3222	23	0.59	165	1
Doors and	Galvanized iron	80	22.6	1808	13	1.54	123	1
windows	Steel	26	20.1	523	4	1.46	38	0.3
	Hardwood	3(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	27	0	0.67	2	0.01
	Total						11448	81

## 2.4 Sample houses of central region

As mentioned in the past progress report, There are 3 housing designs of Central Thailand found in the surveys; (1) 1-storey concrete house, (2) 1-storey house constructed by zinc sheet, and (3) 2-storey house constructed with concrete and wood. In the past progress report, only GHG emission data of the 1-storey concrete house which was selected to be representative house was presented. This report presents the Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the rest housing design.

## 1-storey concrete house

Central region in Thailand is located in a river basin area. In the past, most people lived nearby riversides. Agriculture was major economic sector in this region. Nowadays the population density in central area has been increasing due to the urbanization. The inland communities have been populated and industry has become more important economic sector than agriculture. This life style has an effect on their house designs. Most low-income houses along the riverside are two-storey detached houses, which the design is adapted to the intertidal environment and flooding. While the inland houses are one-storey detached houses. The details of each house are explained as follows.



a) Real house b) Building model Figure 2.10 1-storey concrete house of Central Thailand

Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.9. The results show that this type of house Embodied energy of 46,507 MJ or 766  $MJ/m^2$  and Embodied carbon of 4,614 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq or 76 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq /m<sup>2</sup> which is lower than the 1-storey house constructed by zinc sheet and 2-storey house constructed by concrete and wood.

Part of	Materials	Quantity	Em	bodied ene	ergy	Em	bodied car	·bon
Structure	Materials	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO2eq	kgCO2eq/m <sup>2</sup>
Easy dation	Sand	800	0.081	65	1	0.0051	4	0.1
Foundation and structure	Concrete	11132	0.75	8349	138	0.107	1191	20
and structure	Steel	761	20.1	15297	252	1.46	1111	18
Roof	Roof Tiles	772	12	9259	152	0.78	602	10
Ceiling	Cement	1089	4.5	4901	81	0.74	806	13
	Cement	184	4.5	827	14	0.74	136	2
	Concrete	2301	0.75	1726	28	0.107	246	4
Concrete	Sand	1312	0.081	106	2	0.0051	7	0.1
block	Lime	105	5.3	559	9	0.78	82	1
	Fiber Cement panels	251	10.4	2609	43	1.09	273	5
Doors and	Glass	171	11.5	1971	32	0.59	101	2
windows	Hardwood	81(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	837	14	0.67	54	1
	Total			46507	766		4614	76

**Table 2.9** Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of 1-storey concrete house of Central Thailand.

## One-storey house constructed by zinc sheet

Figure 2.9 shows 1-storey house constructed by zinc sheet of Central Thailand. This feature of house is mostly built for very low income earners of Central Thailand. This housing feature is found around 25% of the samples and all of them are between 5-15 years old.



Figure 2.10 1-storey house constructed by zinc sheet of Central Thailand.

Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.10. The results show that this type of house Embodied energy of 46,912 MJ or 722  $MJ/m^2$  and Embodied carbon of 5,020 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq or 77 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq/m<sup>2</sup> which is higher than the 1-storey concrete house.

Part of	Materials	Quantity	Em	bodied ene	ergy	Em	bodied car	bon
Structure	Materials	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO2eq	kgCO2eq/m <sup>2</sup>
	Sand	864	0.081	70	1	0.0051	4	0.1
Foundation	Concrete	23,975	0.75	17981	277	0.107	2565	39
and structure	Steel	238	20.1	4793	74	1.46	348	5
	Hardwood	21	10.4	215	3	0.67	14	0.2
Roof	Fiber Cement panels	623	10.4	6482	100	1.09	679	10
	Cement	98	4.5	440	7	0.74	72	1
	Concrete	1,225	0.75	919	14	0.107	131	2
Concrete	Sand	704	0.081	57	1	0.0051	4	0.1
block	Lime	56	5.3	297	5	0.78	44	1
	Galvanized iron	602	22.6	13598	209	1.54	927	14
Doors and	Galvanized iron	91	22.6	2054	32	2.54	231	4
windows	Hardwood	$1(ft^3)$	10.4	5	0.1	0.67	0.3	0.01
	Total						5020	77

**Table 2.10** Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of 1-storey house constructed by zinc sheet of Central Thailand.

## Two-storey house constructed by concrete and wood

Figure 2.11 shows 2-storey house constructed by concrete and wood of Central Thailand. This feature of house is very similar to the 2-storey house constructed by concrete and wood of Northeastern region because of similar living style and occupation. This housing feature is found around 50% of the samples and all of them are over 15 years old.



Figure 2.11 2-storey house constructed by concrete and wood of Central Thailand.

Bill of Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of the house are calculated as shown in Table 2.8. The results show that this type of house Embodied energy of 72,089 MJ or 384  $MJ/m^2$  and Embodied carbon of 7,839 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq or 42 kgCO<sub>2</sub>eq/m<sup>2</sup> which is higher than the 1-storey concrete house which because of concrete columns are widely used but still lower than 1-storey house constructed by zinc sheet.

Part of	Materials	Quantity	Em	bodied ene	ergy	Em	bodied car	·bon
Structure	wrateriais	(kg)	MJ/kg	MJ	MJ/m <sup>2</sup>	kgCO2eq/kg	kgCO2eq	kgCO2eq/m <sup>2</sup>
	Sand	864	0.081	70	0.4	0.0051	4	0.02
Foundation	Concrete	18048	0.75	13536	72	0.107	1931	10
and structure	Steel	213	20.1	4283	23	1.46	311	2
	Hardwood	$103(ft^3)$	10.4	1072	6	0.67	69	0.4
Roof	Galvanized iron	1117	22.6	25240	135	1.54	1720	9
Ceiling	Cement	2994	4.5	13475	72	0.74	2216	12
	Cement	505	4.5	2274	12	0.74	374	2
Commente	Concrete	6326	0.75	4744	25	0.107	677	4
Concrete block	Sand	3584	0.081	290	2	0.0051	18	0.1
DIOCK	Lime	290	5.3	1535	8	0.78	226	1
	Hardwood	38(ft <sup>3</sup> )	10.4	400	2	0.67	26	0
Doors and	Glass	437	11.5	5020	27	0.59	258	1
windows	Hardwood	$14(ft^3)$	10.4	149	1	0.67	10	0.1
	Total			72089	384		7839	42

**Table 2.11** Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of 2-storey house constructed by concrete and wood of Central Thailand.

The results of this report show that Embodied energy and Embodied carbon of materials of older houses are lower than existing or new houses because of using wood as main construction materials. The use of concrete walls increases Embodied energy and Embodied carbon highly and should be replaced by other alternative materials which will be reported in the next progress report.

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