





# Energy Consumption

InRow™ Cooling versus Perimeter  
Cooling in Data Centers



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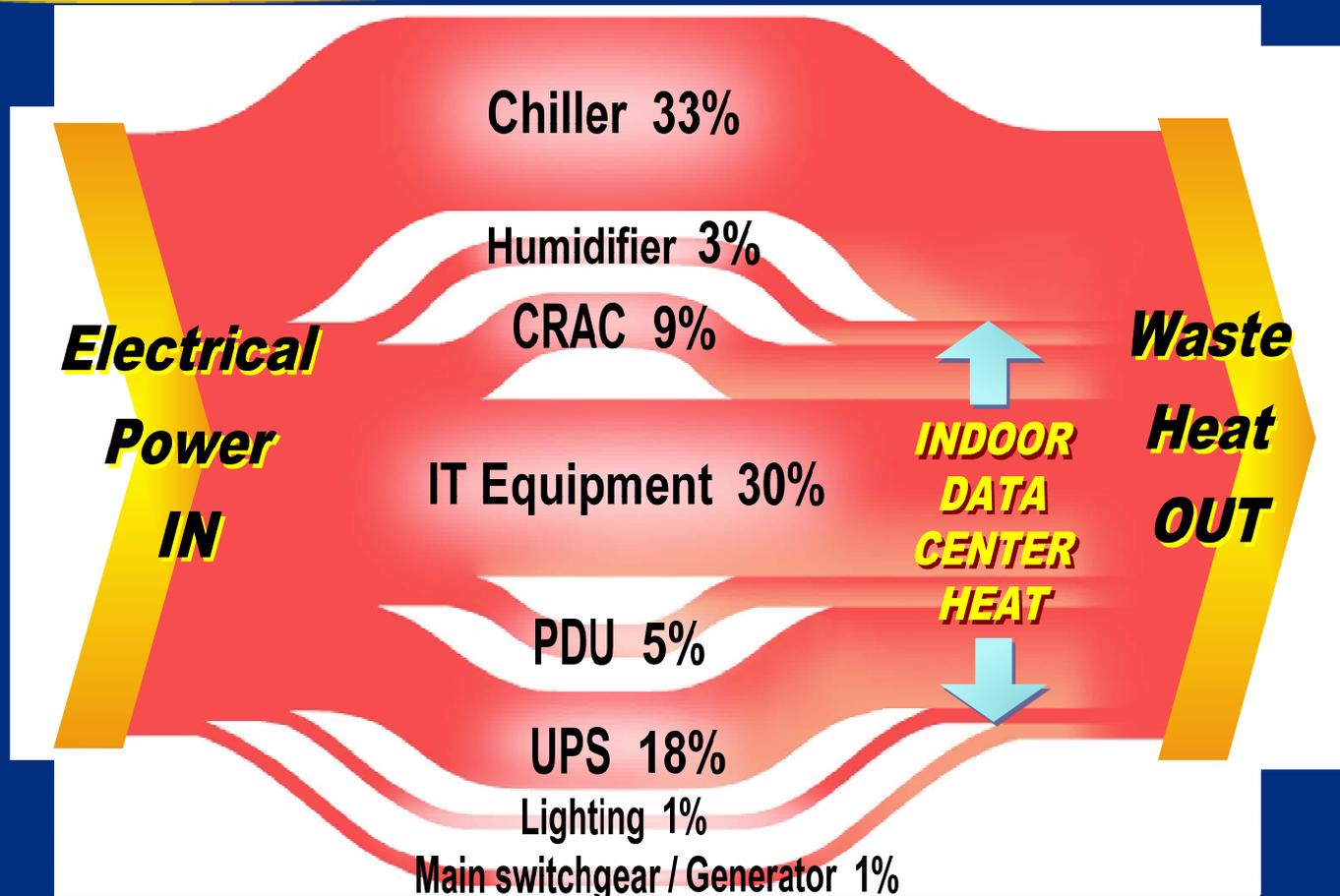
# The Energy Challenge: 2007 EPA Report to Congress

Private-sector challenge – Challenge executive-level managers to commit to conduct energy-efficiency assessments, implement improvements, and report energy performance of their existing data centers.

Federal Leadership – The federal government should commit to conducting energy-efficiency assessments in all its data centers within two to three years and implement all cost-effective operational improvements.

*Excerpt from Section 8.1 “Policy Recommendations” p108-109*

# Power Flow in a Typical Data Center



# In-Row Cooling

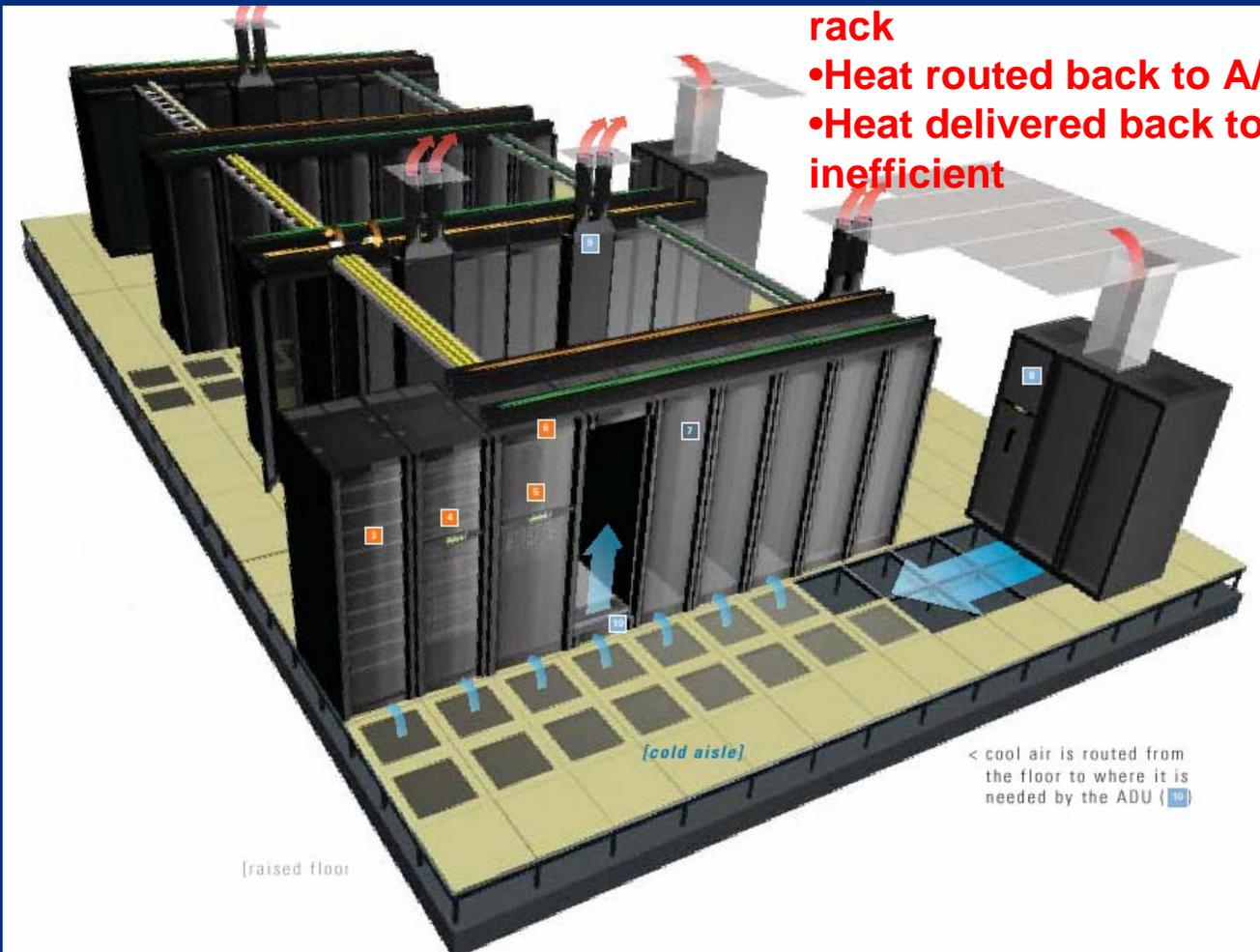


- Cooling systems are placed within IT rows instead of at the room level
- Inherently higher power density capability than room designs
- Fan power is reduced by 50%
- Needless dehumidification / rehumidification is eliminated (saving millions of gallons of water per year per MW)
- Need for high-bay areas and raised floors are reduced or eliminated (particularly for small installations)
- Cooling capacity can “follow” IT loads that move due to Virtualization / server power management

# Legacy Perimeter Cooling



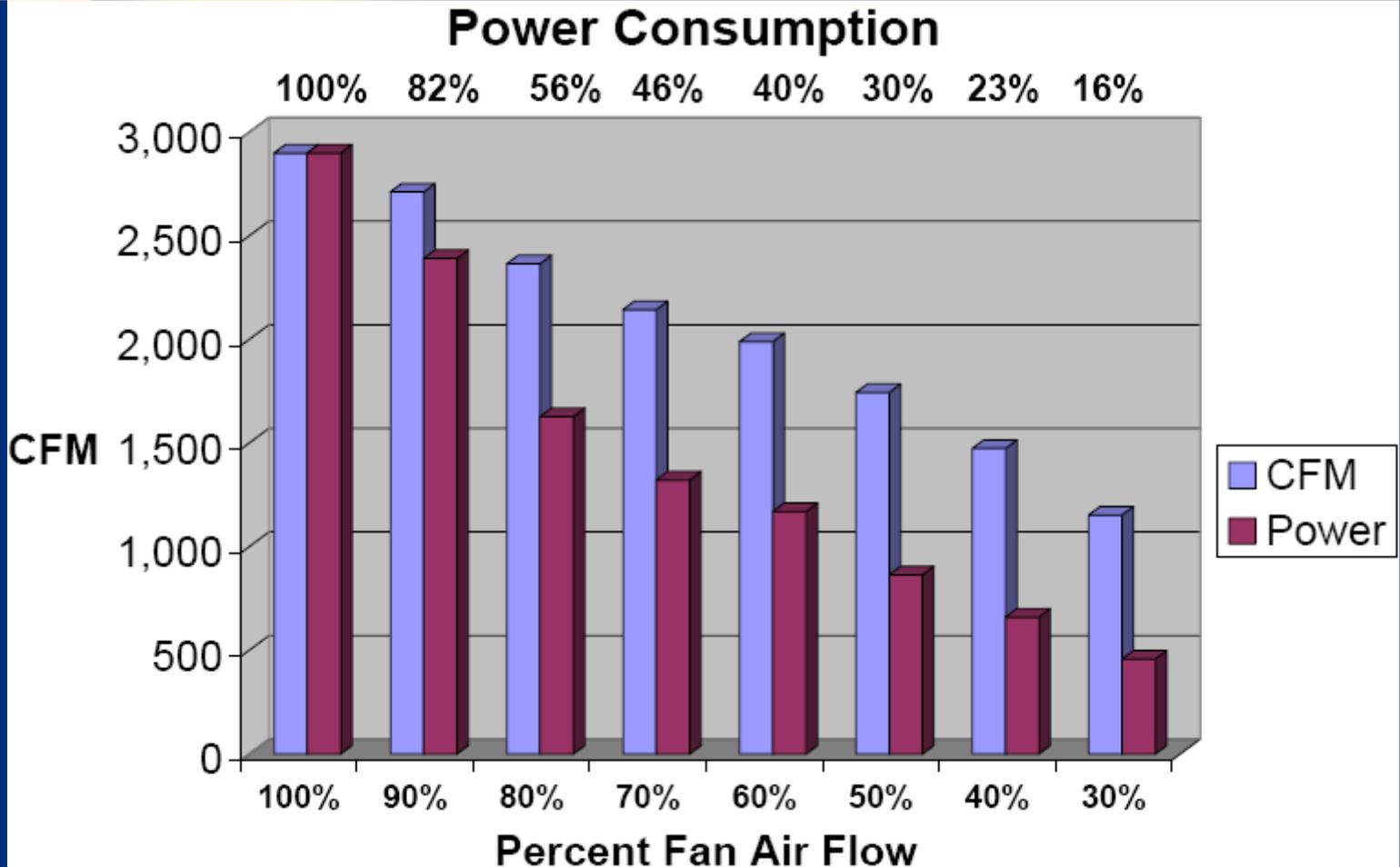
- Pressurized floor can only deliver 5-6KW per rack
- Heat routed back to A/C – Mixing is common
- Heat delivered back to AC at cooler temp - inefficient



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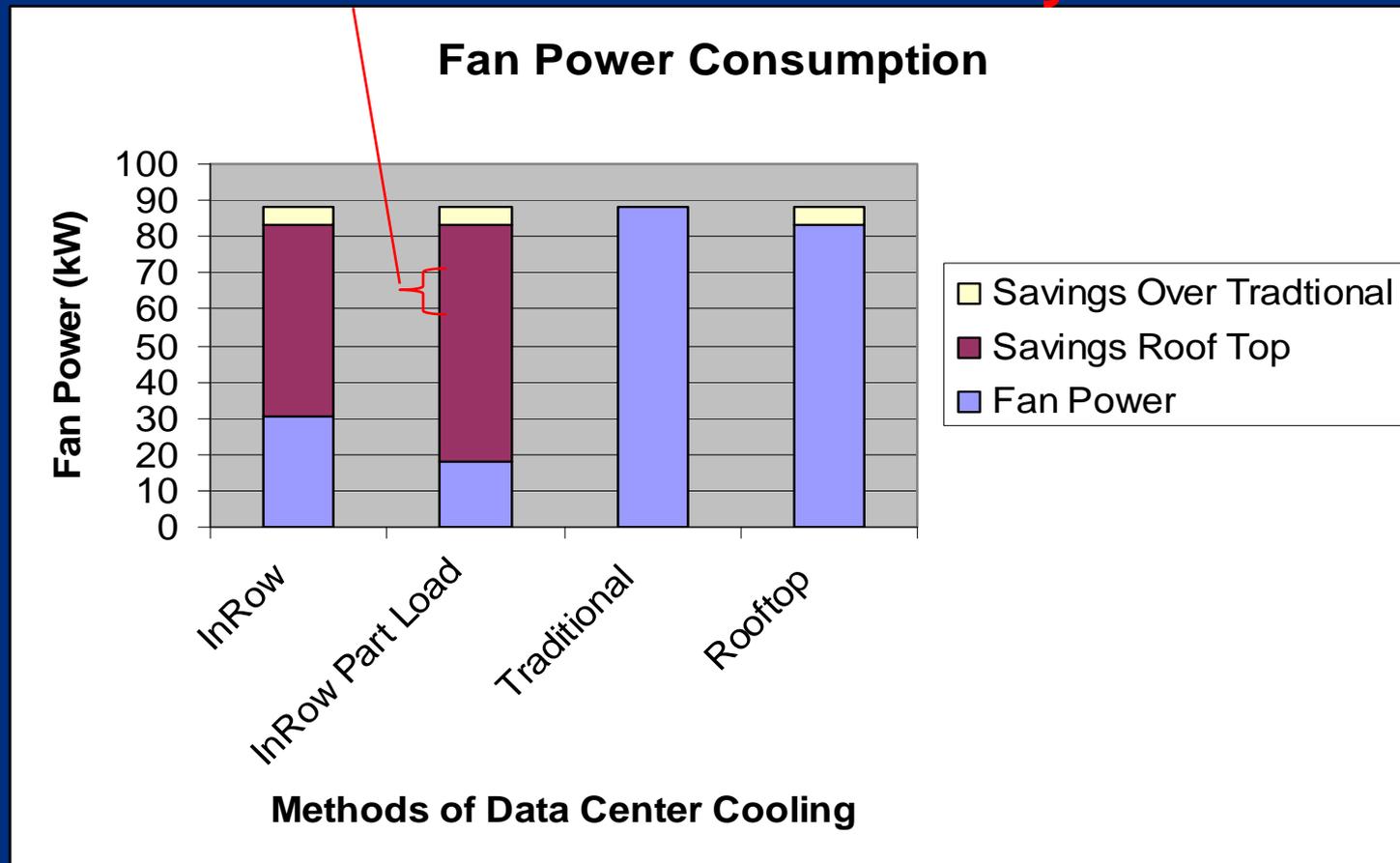
# Good things to know about Variable Speed fans: CFM & Power (Fan Laws)



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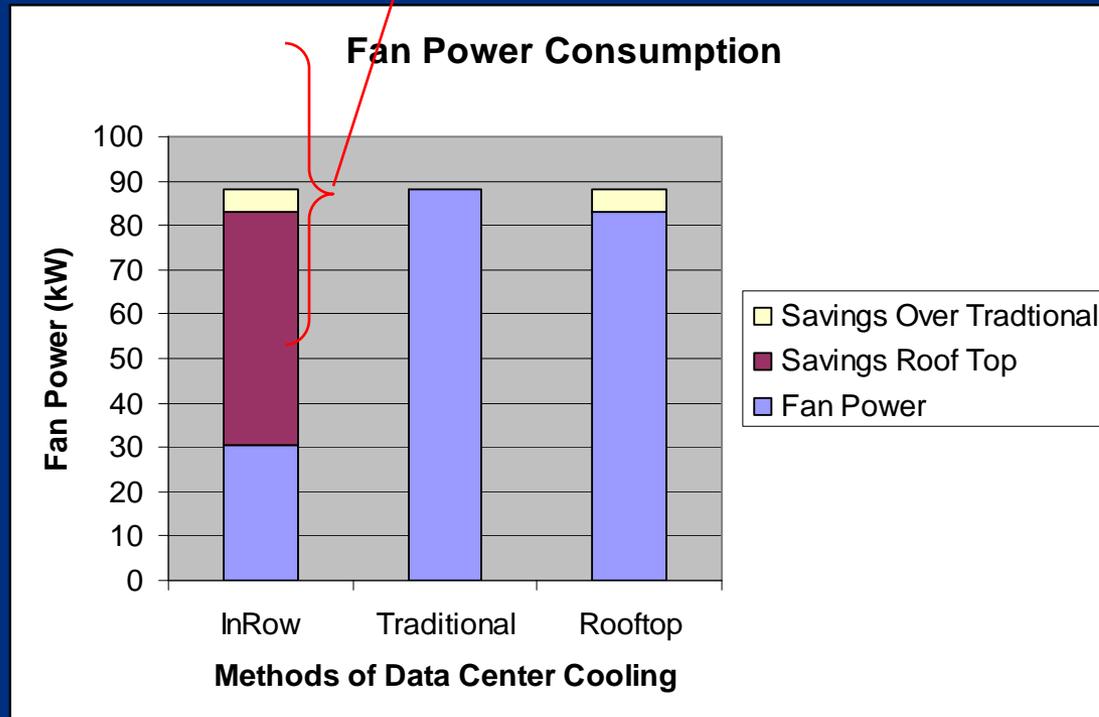
# InRow Cooling Additional Savings: 70% with variable Fan Speed

**Reduces InRow Fan Power by 40 %**



# InRow Cooling: Fan Power Savings (from Case Study)

**65% Savings with InRow over Traditional**



*Fan Power Consumption for InRow, Traditional, and Rooftop systems are 30.6 kW, 88.0 kW, and 83.2 kW respectively. The power consumption is based on data center consuming a 750 kW IT equipment and lightly load.*

# Cooling Efficiency Study

- In-row is 30% more efficient

## Cooling Infrastructure Power Consumption

Cooling Component	IRAH*	CRAH*	CAHU*	Units
AHU Fan Power	30.6	88.0	83.2	kW/Hr
Chilled Water Pump Power	10.2	11.0	11.1	kW/Hr
Chiller Power	83.9	94.7	94.2	kW/Hr
Condenser Pump Power	18.5	18.5	18.5	kW/Hr
Cooling Tower Power	16.2	18.3	18.2	kW/Hr
<b>Total Cooling Power Consumed</b>	<b>159.3</b>	<b>230.5</b>	<b>225.1</b>	<b>kW/Hr</b>
<i>Efficiency Metric (equation 1)</i>	<b>0.21</b>	<b>0.31</b>	<b>0.30</b>	<b>kW/kW</b>
Annual Cooling Operating Cost**	139,527	201,878	197,211	\$ USD

\*\*Based on internal cost comparison

\*IRAH = In-row air handler  
 \*CRAH = Computer room air handler  
 \*CAHU = Central air handling unit

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# Close Coupled Cooling: Energy Savings



- The energy and costs savings of Close Coupled Cooling are easily calculated with the scalable nature of the design topology. Flooding the raised floor and white room space with cold air is no longer required when you place the cooling in close proximity to the equipment inlet and the exhaust from the same equipment at the inlet of the cooling unit, creating a systematically efficient “loop”.
- Scale to the Load, Not to the Room
- Questions?



Thank You!



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