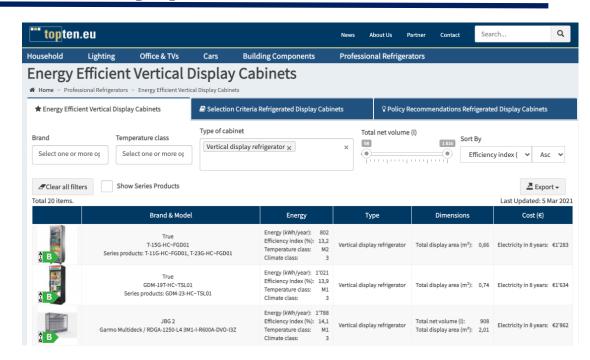
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# Energy regulations: Transfering lessons from household to commercial appliances

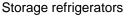
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## Topten product lists of top products

- Online platform for best products
- 11 B2B refrigeration product lists, 392 products
- 1.9 million pageviews/year
- Basis for rebate programmes
- European platform: topten.eu









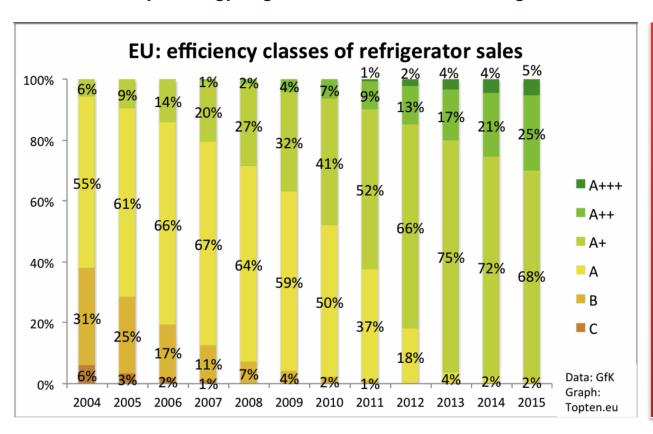


Display refrigerators



# **Household Refrigerators and Energy Labels**

Success story: Energy regulation for household refrigerators in Europe



Often used arguments in Business-2-Business (B2B) markets:

- "Unsafe for refrigerated content"
- "Efficiency technologically not possible"
- "Too expensive -> market collapse"



## **EU Regulations for B2B Categories**

### EN 2015/1095 (Ecodesign)

✓ Professional refrigerated storage cabinets

### EN 2015/1094 (Label)

- ✓ Professional refrigerated storage cabinets
- ✓ Blast cabinets
- ✓ Condensing units
- ✓ Process chillers

### EN 2019/2024 (Ecodesign) & EN 2019/2018 (Label)

- ✓ Refrigerating appliances with a direct sales function :
  - Beverage coolers
  - Ice-cream freezers
  - Integrated & remote refrigerated supermarket cabinets (horizontal & vertical, chilled & frozen)
  - Refrigerated vending machines

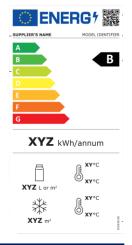
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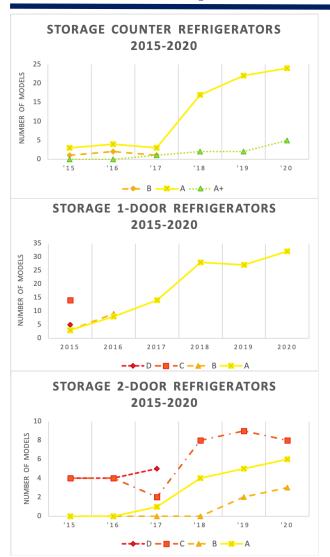


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### **BAT Development Professional Storage Refrigerators**



### Significant market transformation since 2016

### **Storage counter refrigerators:**

- First A+ appliances in first year after new label
- 25 class A models within 4 years

### **Storage 1-door refrigerators:**

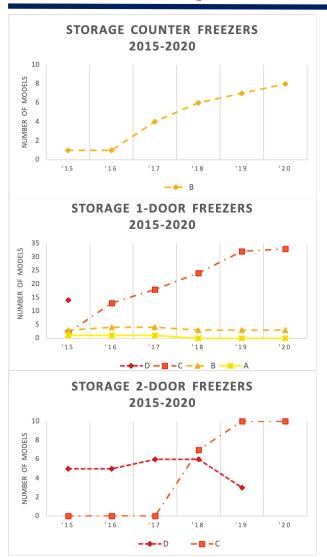
- Before label, classes A-D considered "best available technologies" (BAT)
- 34 class A models by 17 manufacturers within 4 years

### **Storage 2-door refrigerators:**

- BAT models in classes A-C
- Class A and B models slowly increasing on market



### **BAT Development Professional Storage Freezers**



### Significant market transformation since 2016

#### **Storage counter freezers:**

- Steady increase of class B models
- No class A or A+ models yet available

### **Storage 1-door freezers:**

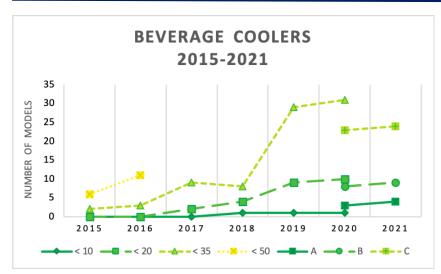
- Class C models increasing over 4 years
- Class A and B models stagnating / wrongly declared

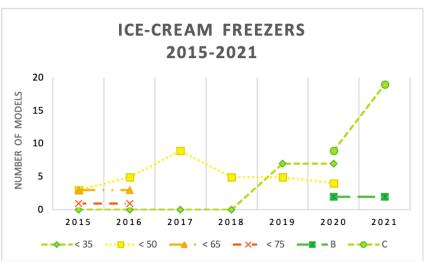
### **Storage 2-door freezers:**

- Class C models increasing on market
- No class A or B models yet available



### **BAT Development Commercial Display Refrigerators**





#### Label since 01 March 2021

Policy work re-started in 2018

### **Beverage coolers:**

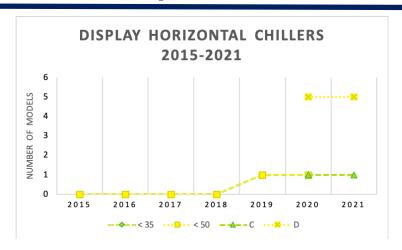
- Class A and B models on the market upon start of label
- High number of class C models available
- CH: stricter MEPS than EU

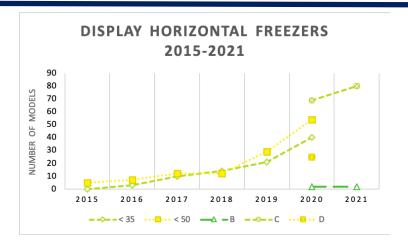
#### Ice-cream freezers:

- Before label process, class D (EEI 50) considered BAT
- 21 class B and C models since restart of policy process in 2018

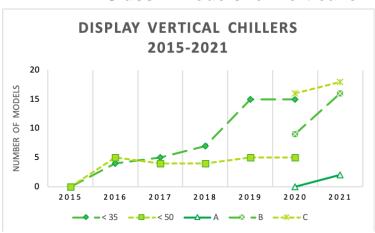


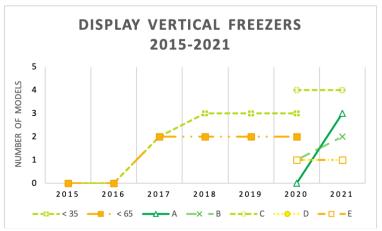
### **BAT Development Commercial Display Refrigerators**





Class A models for vertical chillers and freezers already available





Strong market transformation already implemented in preparation for label

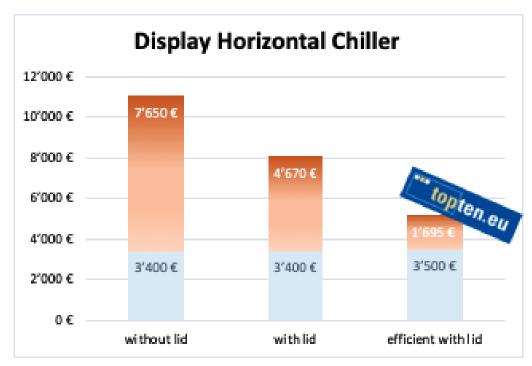


### Saving Potential Horizontal Supermarket Chillers

Many categories of new label for refrigerating appliances with direct sales function already have class A models (EEI<10) and EEI = 100 MEPS -> 90% EEI saving potential

# Display Horizontal Chillers:

- Often open for convenience food
- BAT model saves up to 80% compared to open model
- Studies show no longterm overall change in revenue (barrier of lids vs. "cold-feet effect" of open appliances)



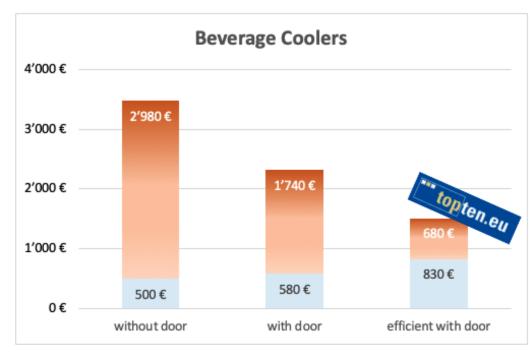
Net volume	320 I	320 I	451 l
Energy	4'780 kWh/a	2'920 kWh/a	1'060 kWh/a
Electricity costs*	7′650 €	4′670 €	1′695 €
Purchase price	3′400 €	3′400 €	3′500 €
Total costs	11′050 €	8′070 €	5′195 €

<sup>\* 8</sup> years, 0.2 € /kWh



### **Saving Potential Beverage Coolers**

- Top-efficient model saves 75% energy compared to smaller inefficient open model and 60% compared to average model with door
- Life-time cost of efficient model is half of open inefficient appliance
- Often bulk-purchased by food & beverage companies who loan or rent appliances to vendors



Net volume	500 l	500 l	556 I
Energy	1'860 kWh/a	1085 kWh/a	425 kWh/a
Electricity costs*	2′980 €	1′740 €	680€
Purchase price	500€	580€	830€
Total costs	3′480 €	2′320€	1′510€

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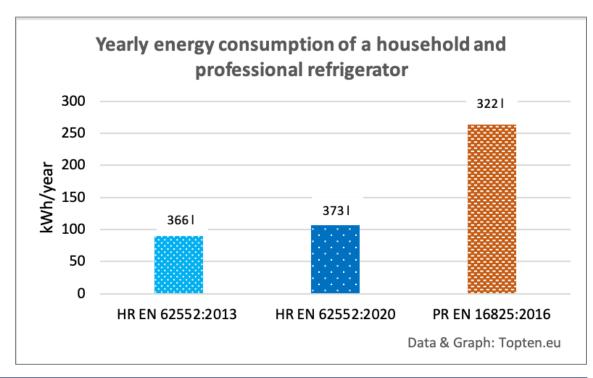
### Household vs Professional Refrigerators

#### **Differences in Test Standards:**

- EN 62552 for household refrigerators (no door opening sequence),
  EN 16825 for professional storage refrigerators (with door opening sequence),
  EN ISO 23953:2015 for supermarket refrigerators (with more intense door opening sequence)
- ProCold laboratory tests: 30-50% higher energy consumption if tested according to EN ISO 23953:2015 as compared to EN 16552:2013

### **Comparison of BAT:**

- Household refrigerator (HR) measured according to EN 62552:2013 and EN 62552:2020
- Professional storage refrigerator (PR) measured according to EN 16825:2016





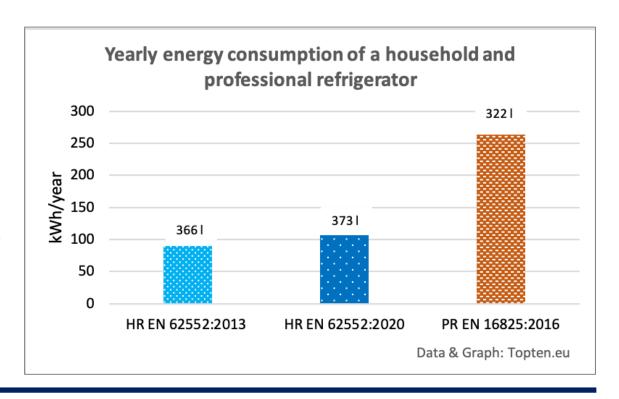
### Household vs Professional Refrigerators

#### **Conclusions:**

- 1. Storage refrigerators have potential to be as efficient as household appliances (6 years label vs. 25 years label) -> policy highly effective!
- 2. Significant saving potential can still be unlocked

#### **Saving potential PR:**

- 2014 standard model (EEI 100) had saving potential of 80% compared to class A models already on the market
- In 2021, worst models on the market are class E with a saving potential of 75% compared to class A models





# **Technical Aspects - Efficient Technologies**

### **Variable Speed (VS) Compressors:**

Adjust continuously to match output required, ca. 1 energy class difference

#### Insulation

Thickness and quality of insulation

### Double or triple glazing or air curtains

Type of insulation

### Water loop or remote systems

Use of waste heat, connecting different types of technologies within the market

### **Green refrigerants**

- Supported by European F-Gas Regulation
- R290 and R600 have Global Warming Potential (GWP) 3, R404a has GWP 3'922 and R134a has GWP 1'430; leakage is widely common phenomenon



# **Financial Aspects - Rebates**

### Support purchase of most efficient technologies (BAT)

- In CH implemented since 2014 (Programme 3 ongoing)
- Saved kWh cheaper than purchased kWh

### **Multiplier effect**

- Buyers and dealers encourage manufacturers to develop high efficiency products that qualify for the rebate programme
- Other manufacturers imitate technological innovations
- Dealers adjust product range towards high efficiency products

### **Programme 1 (2014-2017)**

- 1.2 mio €
- 5'955 products
- 54.6 GWh total energy savings
- 2.2 ct/kWh cost effectiveness

### Programme 2 (2018-2020)

- 1.8 mio €
- 10'955 products
- 118.5 GWh total energy savings
- 1.5 ct/kWh cost effectiveness

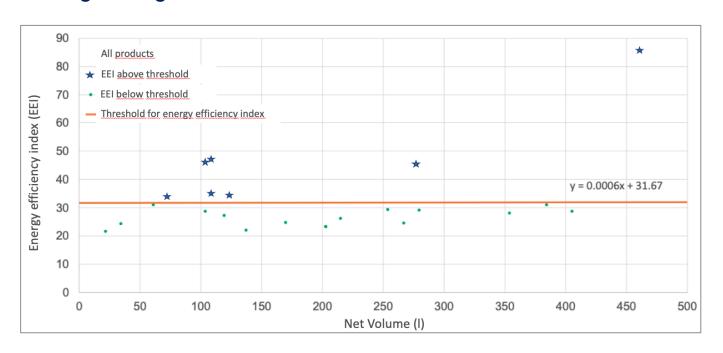




### **Further B2B Categories – Medicine Cabinets**

# Refrigerated Medicine Cabinets are very similar in construction to professional storage refrigerators

- Test standards available for functionality and energy: DIN 58345:2007
- Online research yielded first available data (EEI calculated analogous to storage refrigerators







### **Further B2B Categories – Medicine Cabinets**

# Energy efficiency class equivalent of A+ reached by first model (calculated according to EN 2015/1094)

- Calculations of Swiss study show yearly saving potential of medicine cabinet of 455 kWh (6'825 kWh/15 years lifetime)
- Efficiency and product safety very compatible
- Great saving potential, high number of products on the market
- Next step is energy labelling and ecodesign regulation of realize saving potential and provide data transparency











### **Conclusions**

- 1. Energy regulations on B2B market have proven to be highly effective
- 2. Significant market transformation has been triggered and saving potentials realized
- 3. Full potentials can be realized by increased market surveillance
- 4. Technology transfer between categories is possible
- 5. Rebate programmes are highly effective policy tools to boost market transformation
- 6. Further B2B categories are ready to be included in the scope (e.g. refrigerated medicine cabinets)
- 7. Energy regulation on the B2B market gives innovative manufacturers and edge, dealers new sales arguments, investors a chance to make truly informed decisions

# Thank you for your attention!

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