

Sustainability White Paper

VSI (Vinyl Siding Institute) has put a "colourful" twist on the typical white paper. The new "green" paper, [*A Dozen Things You Might Not Know That Make Vinyl Siding Green*](#), explains how vinyl siding scores well on tough environmental measures through all life-cycle stages, including raw material acquisition, manufacture, transportation, installation, use and waste management. The paper demonstrates how vinyl siding:

- Can contribute to points in leading green building programs
- Boosts a home's R-value
- Generates less waste during manufacturing
- Produces little waste when installed
- Requires few resources to maintain beauty
- Is engineered to last
- Offers better environmental performance
- Balances economic with environmental performance
- Contributes less to global warming than brick
- Releases fewer toxic chemicals than other exterior cladding through its life-cycle
- Emits less dioxin than other exterior cladding
- Installs safely

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