



PACKHOUSE
ACTION GROUP

Packhouse Action Group
Water Benchmark Results – Phase 4 and Electricity
Benchmark results – Phase 1

Phase 4 data collection



- Data collection tool **changes** from phase 3:
 - additional data capture fields for **drenching** and **pre-sorting**;
 - additional data capture fields for water sources;
 - moved the “pack line processes” section to a “water management practices” tab;
 - added a tab with data fields to capture information on water **recycling technologies** applied;
 - incorporation of **electricity use** and cost data capture fields;
 - added a tab with data fields to capture information on the **energy management** practices applied.
- **21 Packhouses responded** to the request for data:
 - 12 participated (including four from phase 1, phase 2 and phase 3);
 - 3 are interested and committed to providing data in future data collection rounds;
 - 5 declined to participate;
 - 1 did not respond.

Phase 4 data collection continued



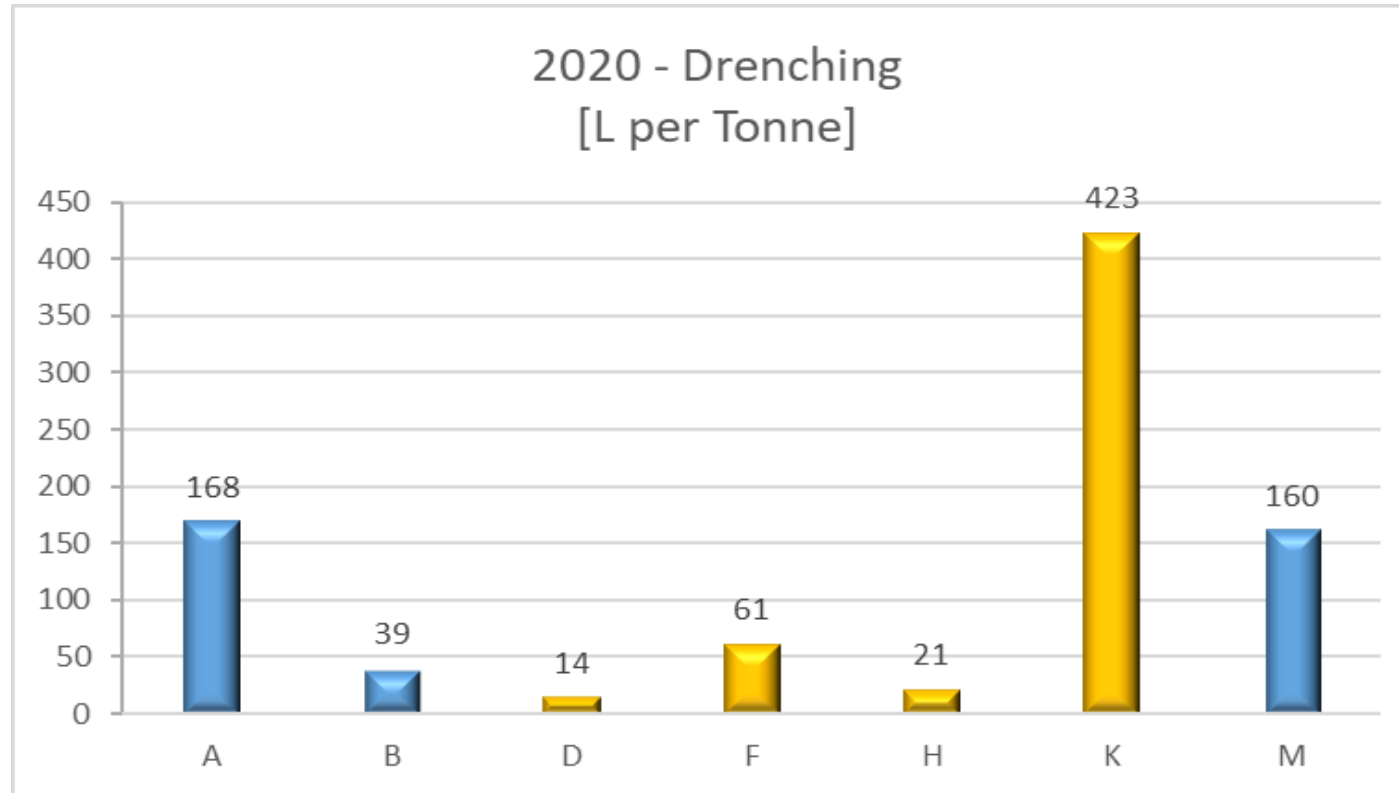
- All phase 4 datasets run from Jan to Dec 2020
- Water benchmark results are calculated for:
 - Packing line
 - Cold storage
 - Ablutions/office/canteen
- Electricity benchmark results are calculated for:
 - Packing operations
 - CA Operations
 - RA operations

Benchmark process



- Data collection tool **training**
- Packhouse **capture** data (support provided where required)
- Data is **sense checked** with the packhouse
- All results were displayed:
 - Blue columns on the graphs indicate that the **data was complete** and within the **sense check “range”**;
 - Yellow columns on the graphs indicate estimated data;
 - Notes below the graphs provide more information.

Water Benchmark Results – Drenching

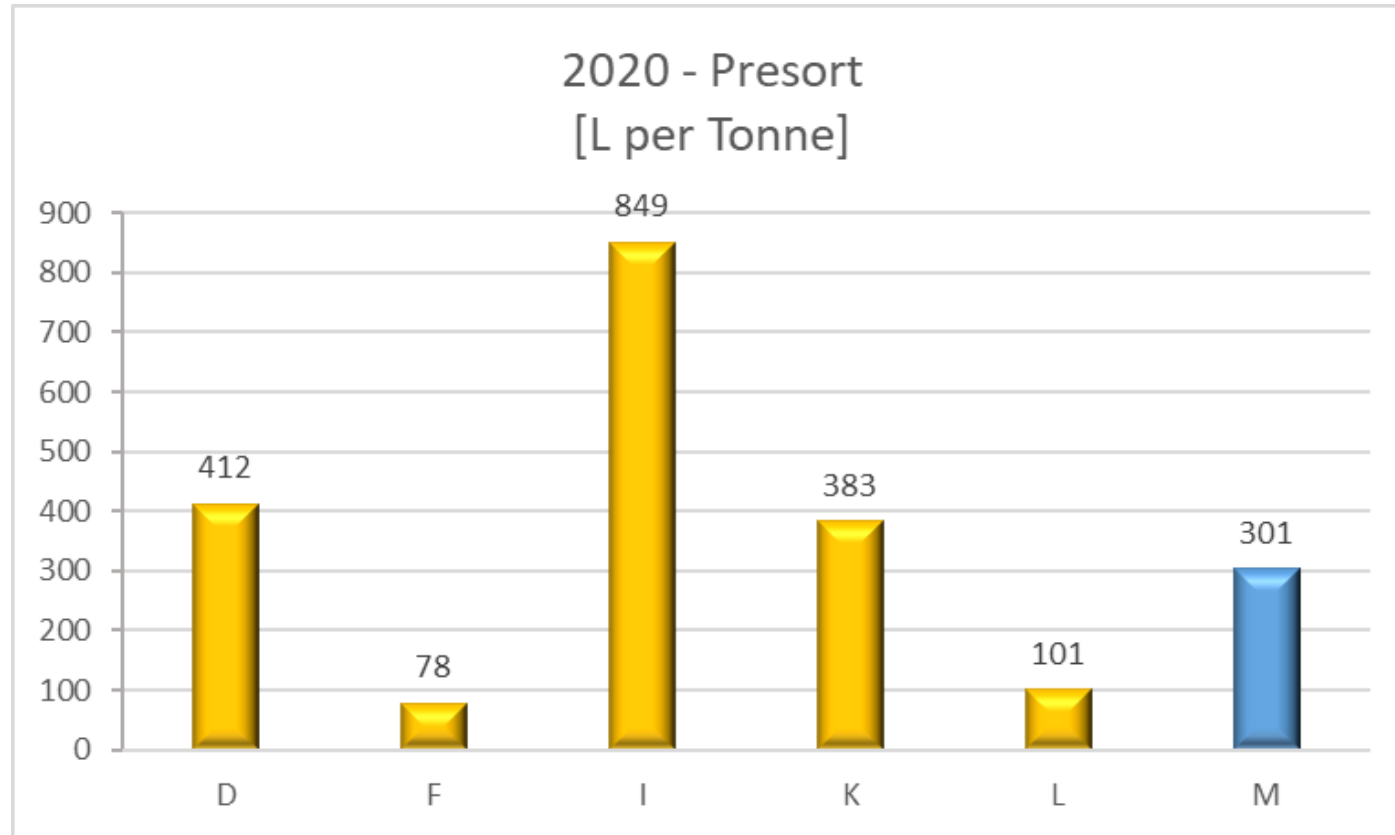


- Packhouse I – This packhouse drenches their pome fruit, but the water used for drenching is not recorded and could not be estimated.
- Packhouse N – This packhouse drenches their pome fruit, but the water used for drenching is not recorded and could not be estimated. Metering was installed in 2021.

Water Benchmark Results – Pre-sort

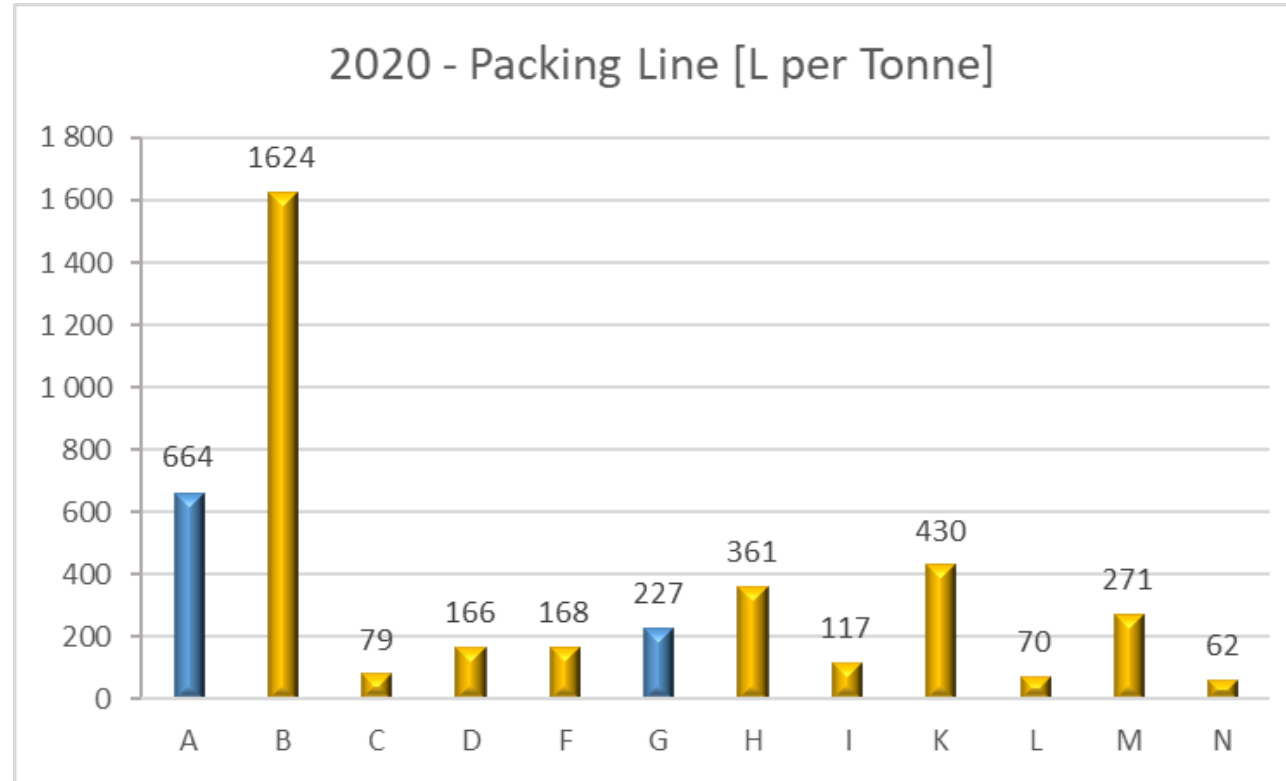


- Only packhouses with a dedicated pre-sort line are shown.



- Only packhouse M could provide metered water use data for the pre-sort line, the benchmarks for the other packhouses are all estimates due to a lack of metering.

Water Benchmark Results – Packing Line

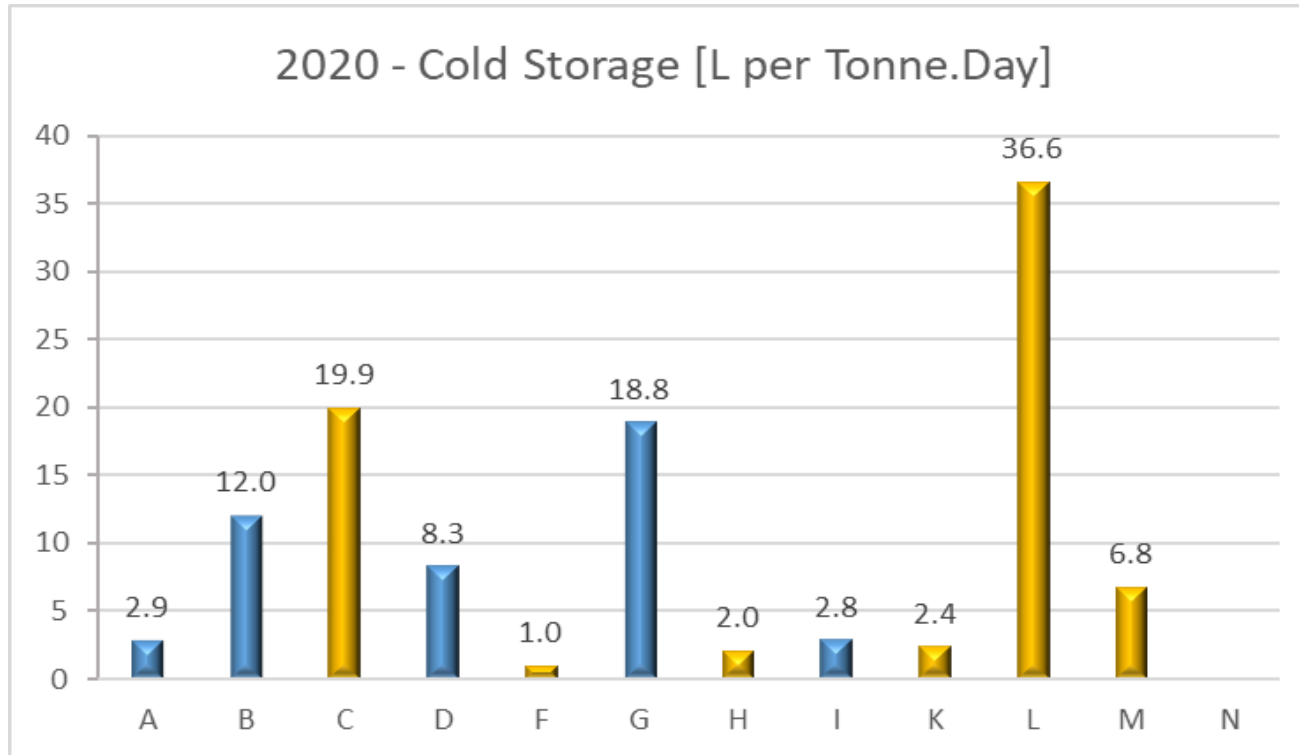


- Packhouse B – This figure includes water used for the ablutions and garden irrigation around the packhouse and thus forms part of the packing line water use figure.
- Packhouse I – Water is kept in flumes for three months before being drained into reedbeds for natural filtration.
- Packhouse C – This packhouse drains their flumes once every two weeks.
- Packhouse L – The pack line benchmark is very low. This packhouse only drains their flumes two to three times a year, otherwise, flumes are only topped up.

Water Benchmark Results – Cold Storage



- Includes all cold storage water consumption of which cooling towers make up the majority.

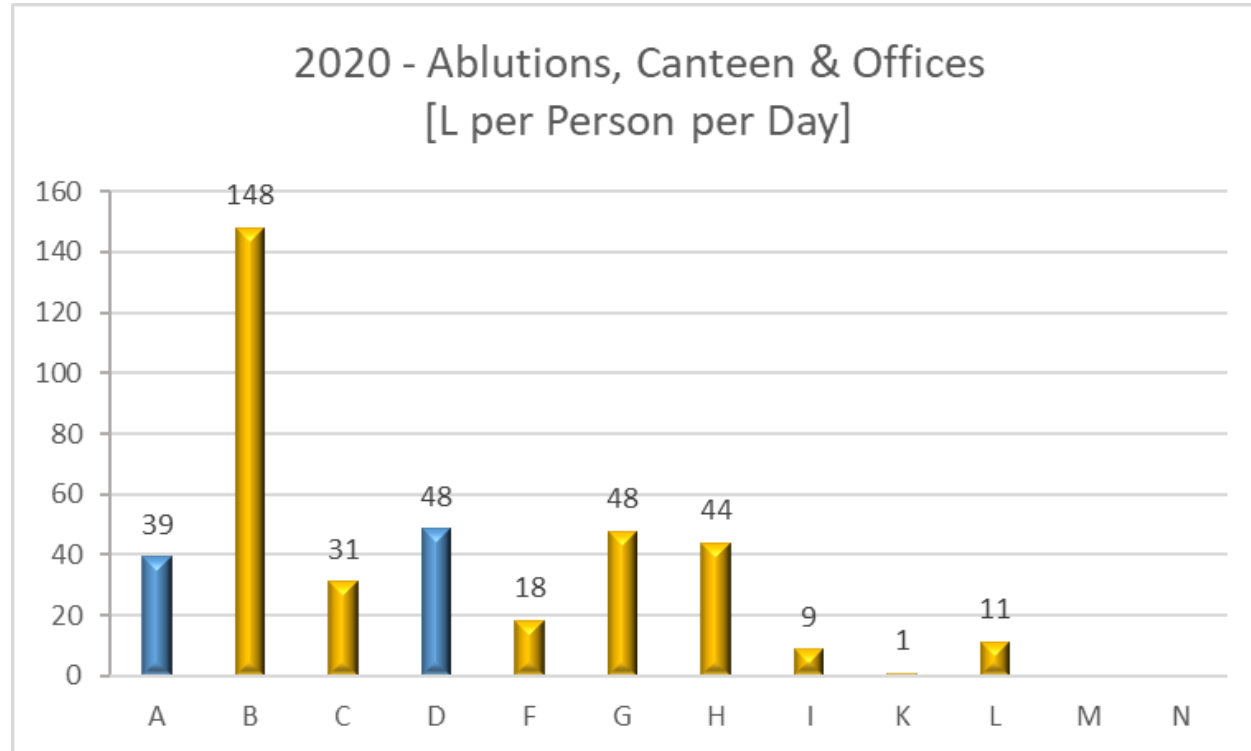


- Packhouse L – The cold storage water consumption was used to “balance” the total water consumption.
- Packhouse N – The cold storage water consumption was not metered and could not be estimated. Metering was installed only in 2021.

Water Benchmark Results – Ablutions, Canteen & Offices

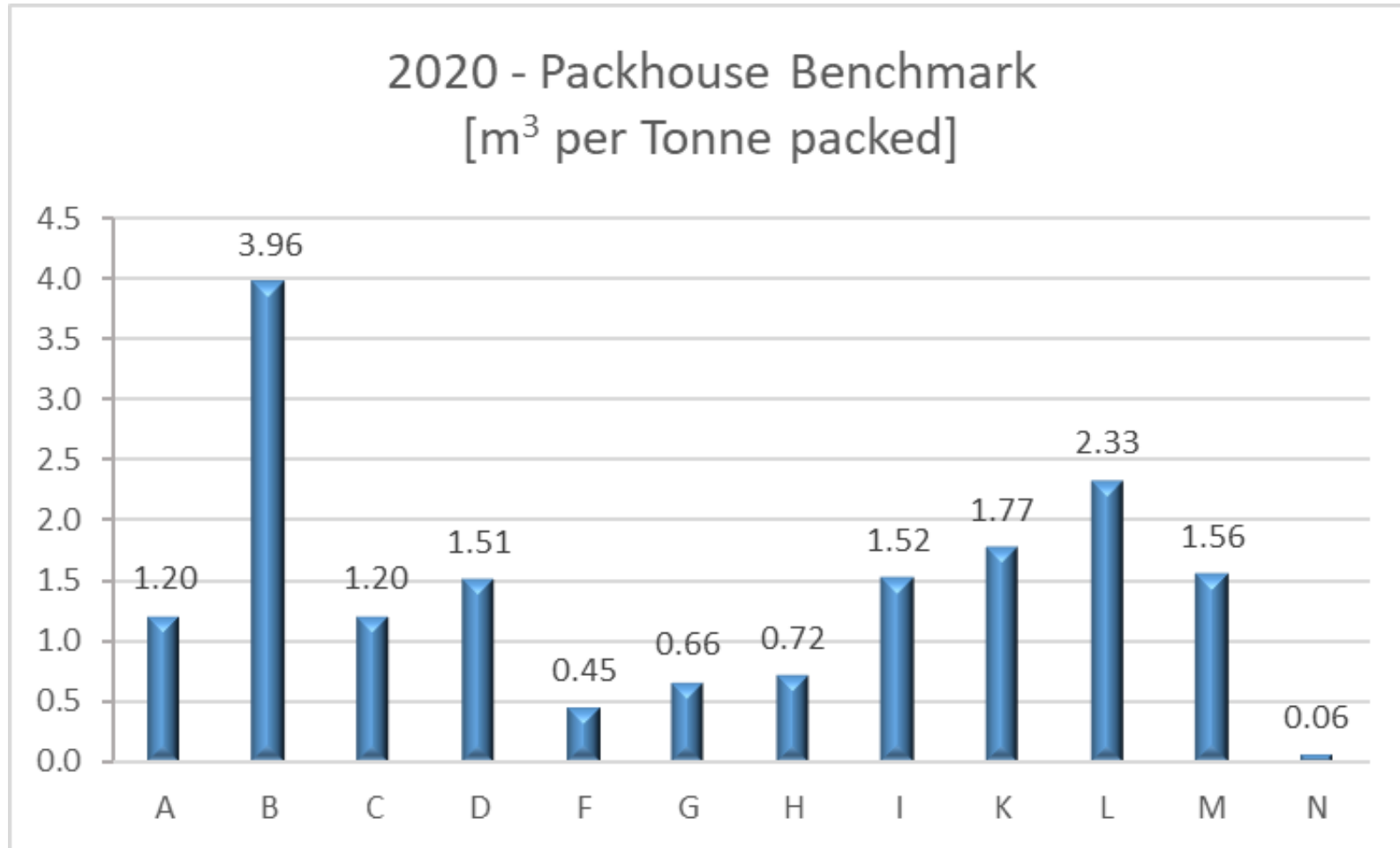


- Includes the water consumption from Ablutions, Canteen & Offices.

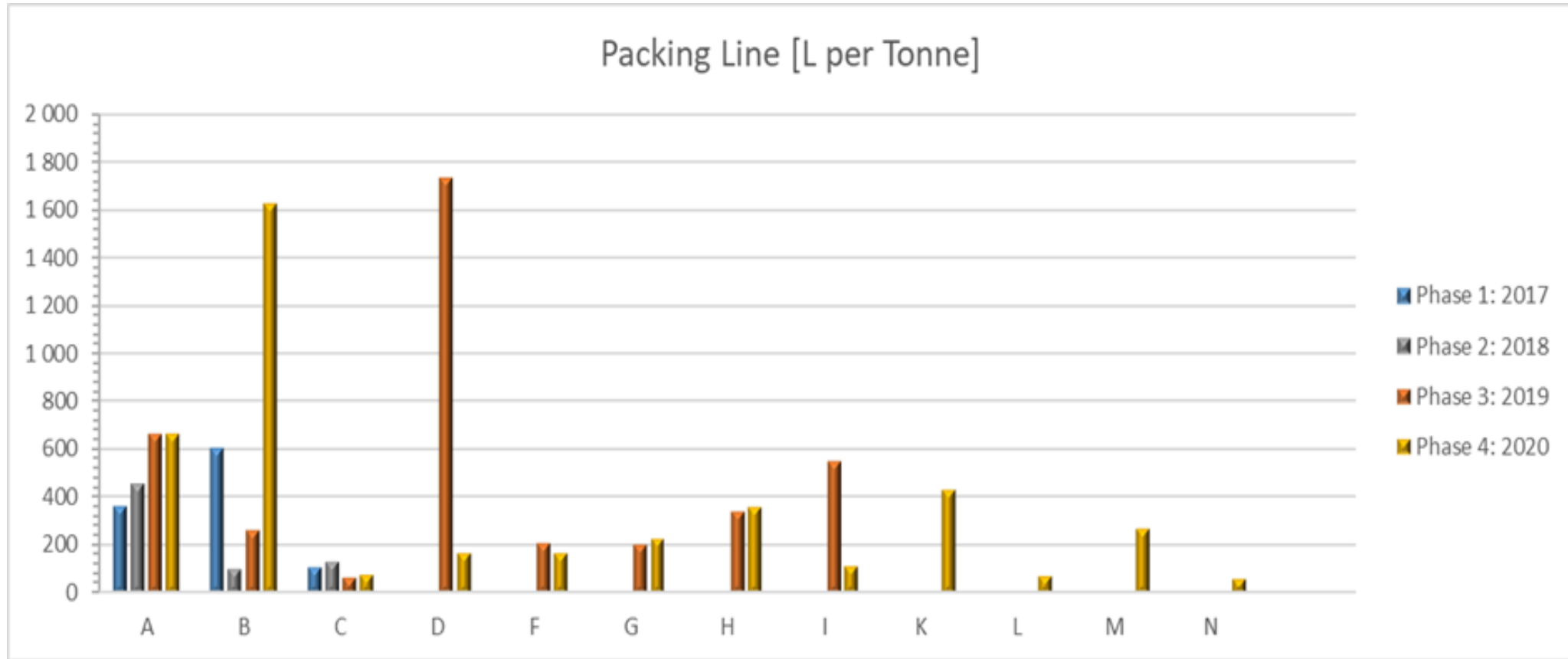


- Packhouse M – Water consumption of ablutions, canteens and offices forms part of “other” water consumption calculation and could not be clearly allocated.
- Packhouse N – The ablutions, canteens and offices water consumption were not metered separately and could not be estimated. Metering was installed in 2021.

Water Benchmark Results - Overall Packhouse Benchmark

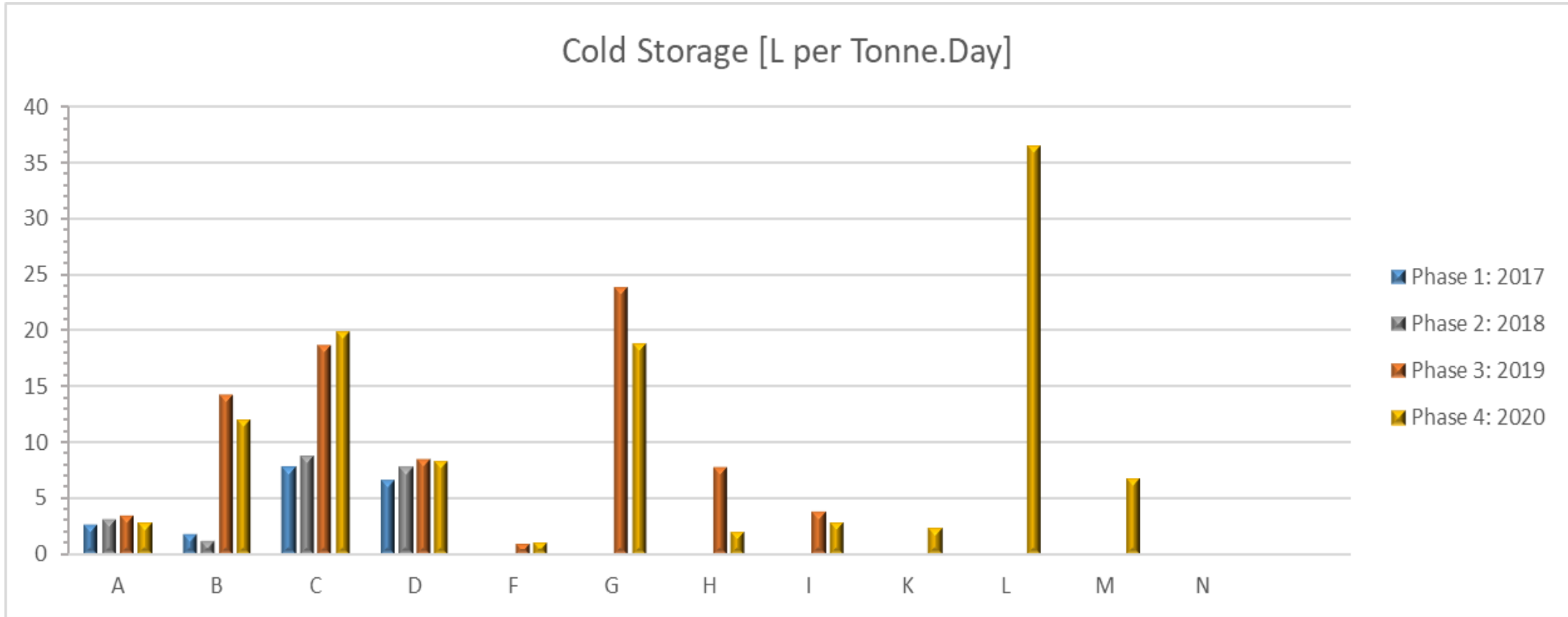


Water Benchmark Results – Year on Year Comparison: Packing line



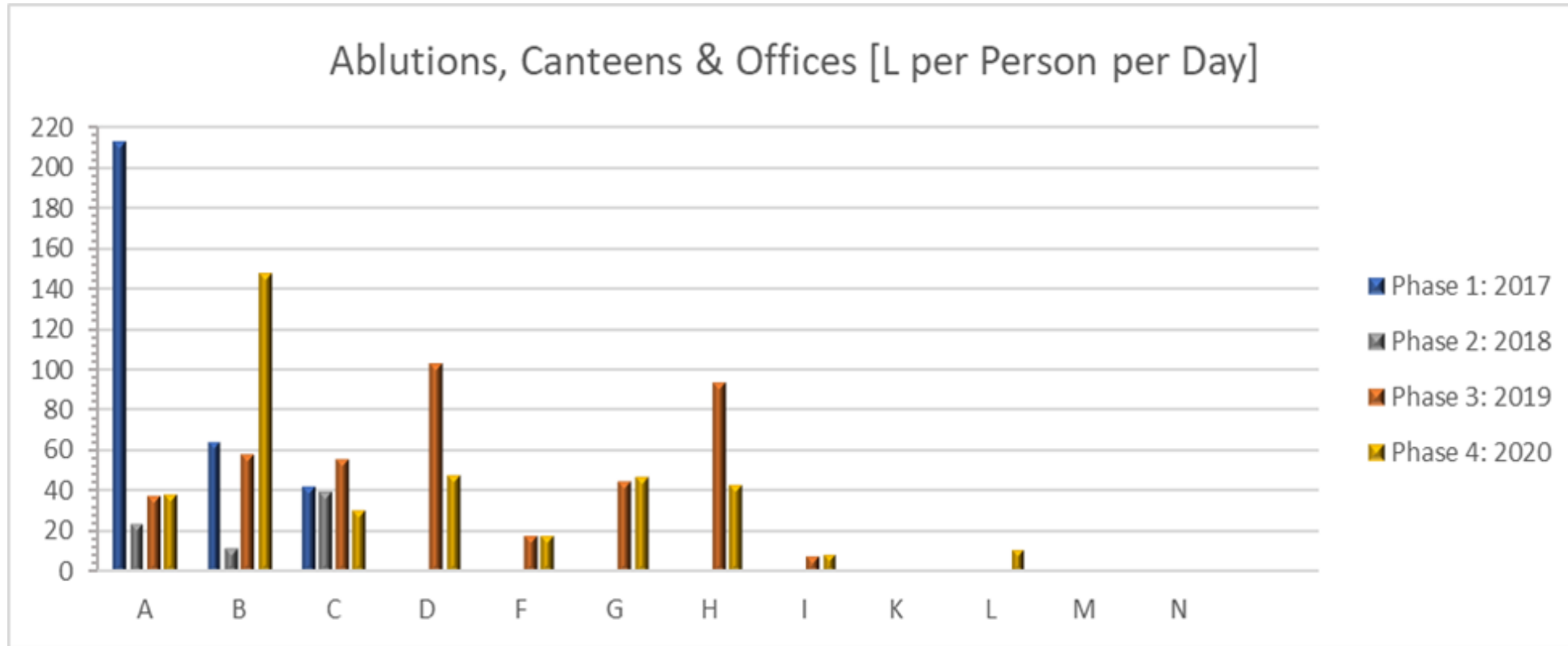
- For the pack line comparison it is best to use Packhouse A's data over all four years.

Water Benchmark Results – Year on Year Comparison: Cold Store



- For the cold storage comparison it is best to use Packhouse A's data over all four years.

Results – Year on Year Comparison: Ablutions, Canteen & Offices

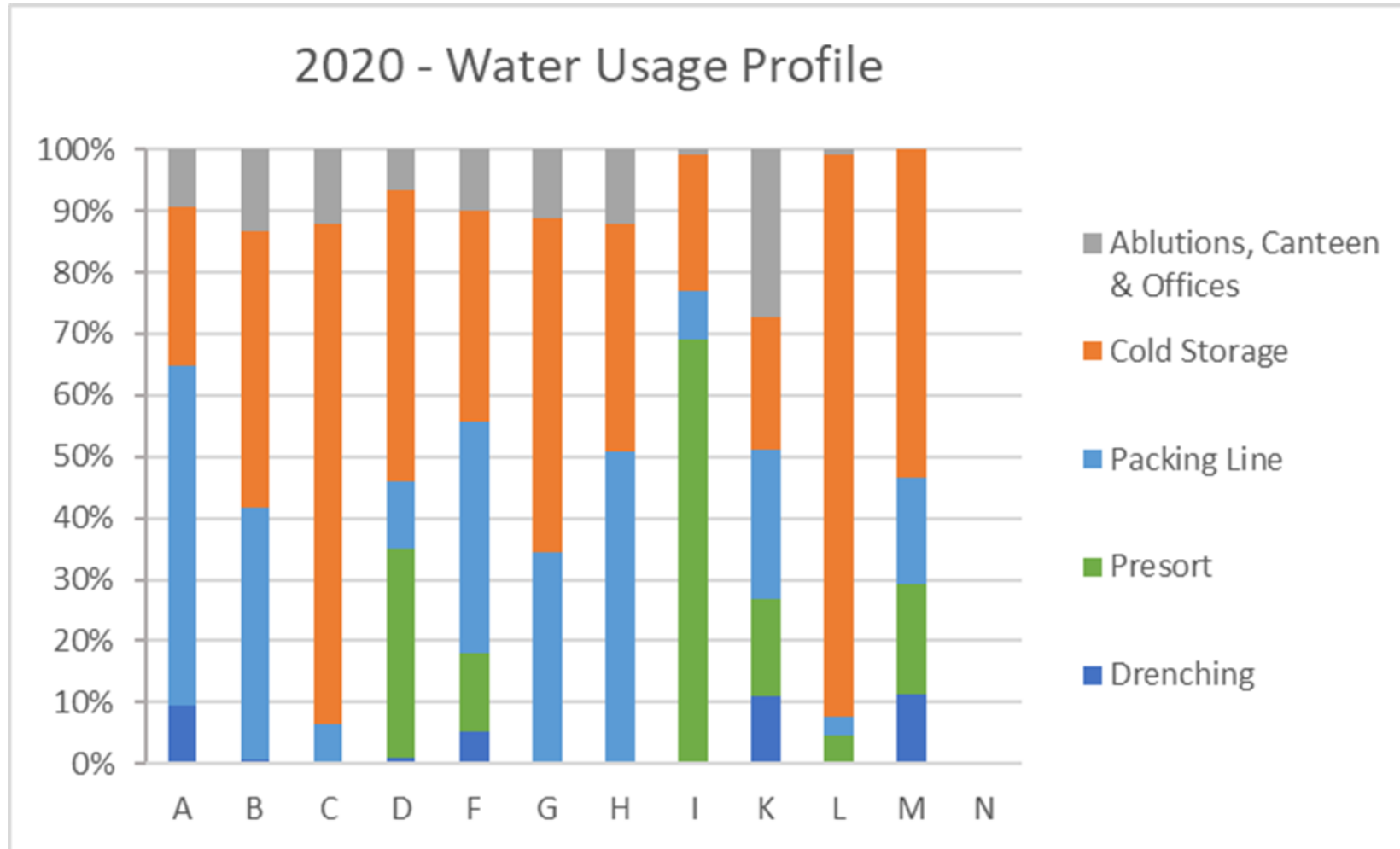


- For the ablutions, canteens and offices comparison it is best to use Packhouse A's results for 2018 and 2019 (2017 data was not allocated correctly).

Water Benchmark Results – Water Usage Profiles



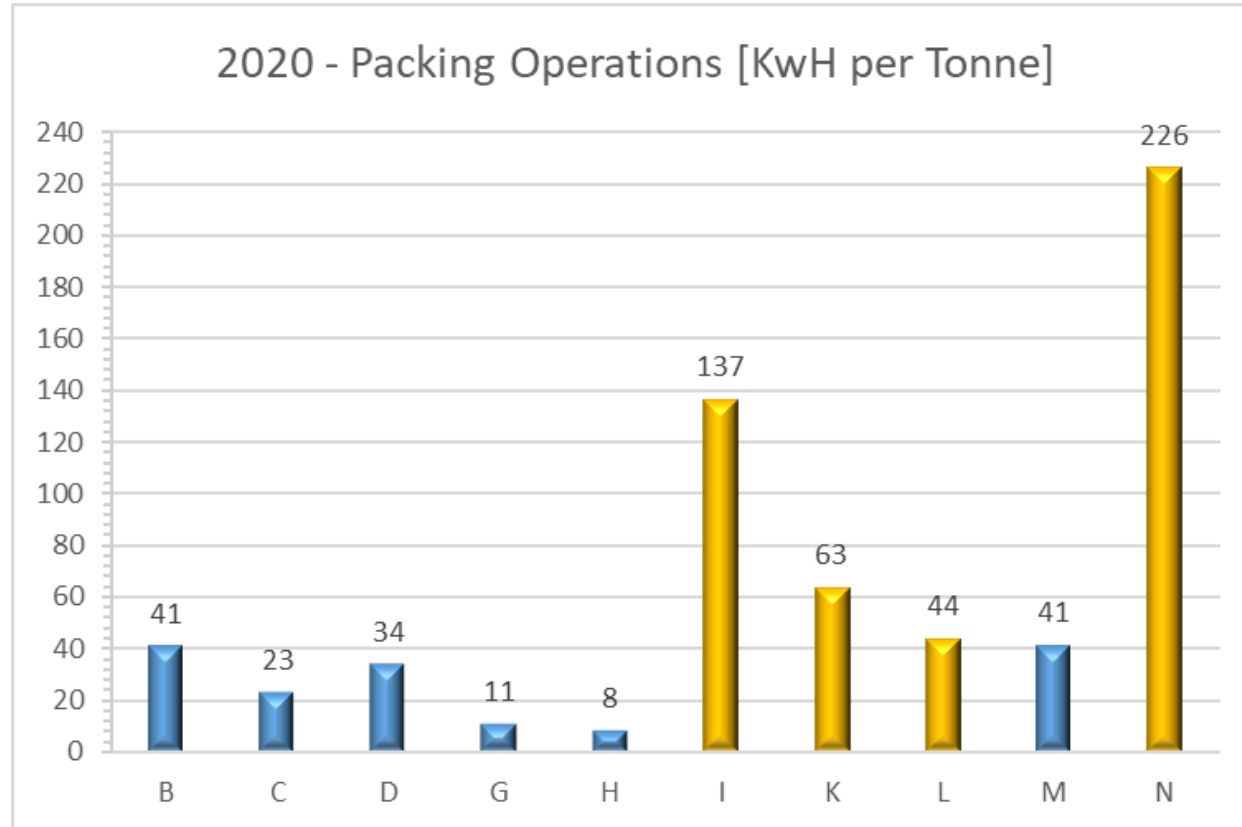
- Displays the water use percentage profile per packhouse.



Electricity Benchmark Results – Packing operations



- This includes all operational electricity consumption in the packhouse (pre-sort, packing lines, ablutions, canteens, and offices).

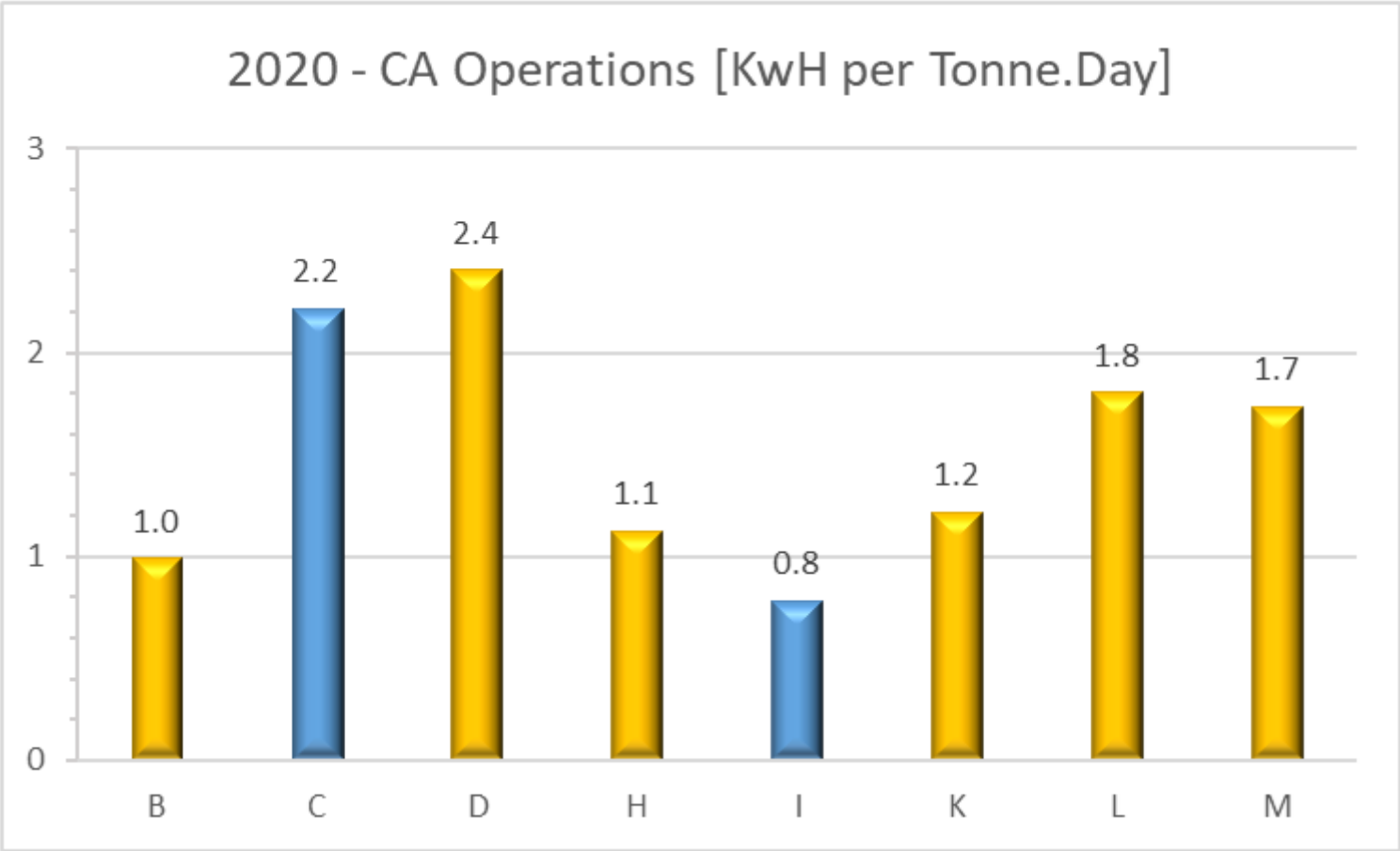


- Packhouse I – This benchmark includes RA operations consumption use.
- Packhouse N – This benchmark includes CA and RA storage electricity consumption as allocation between the different areas in the packhouse was not possible.

Electricity Benchmark Results – CA Operations



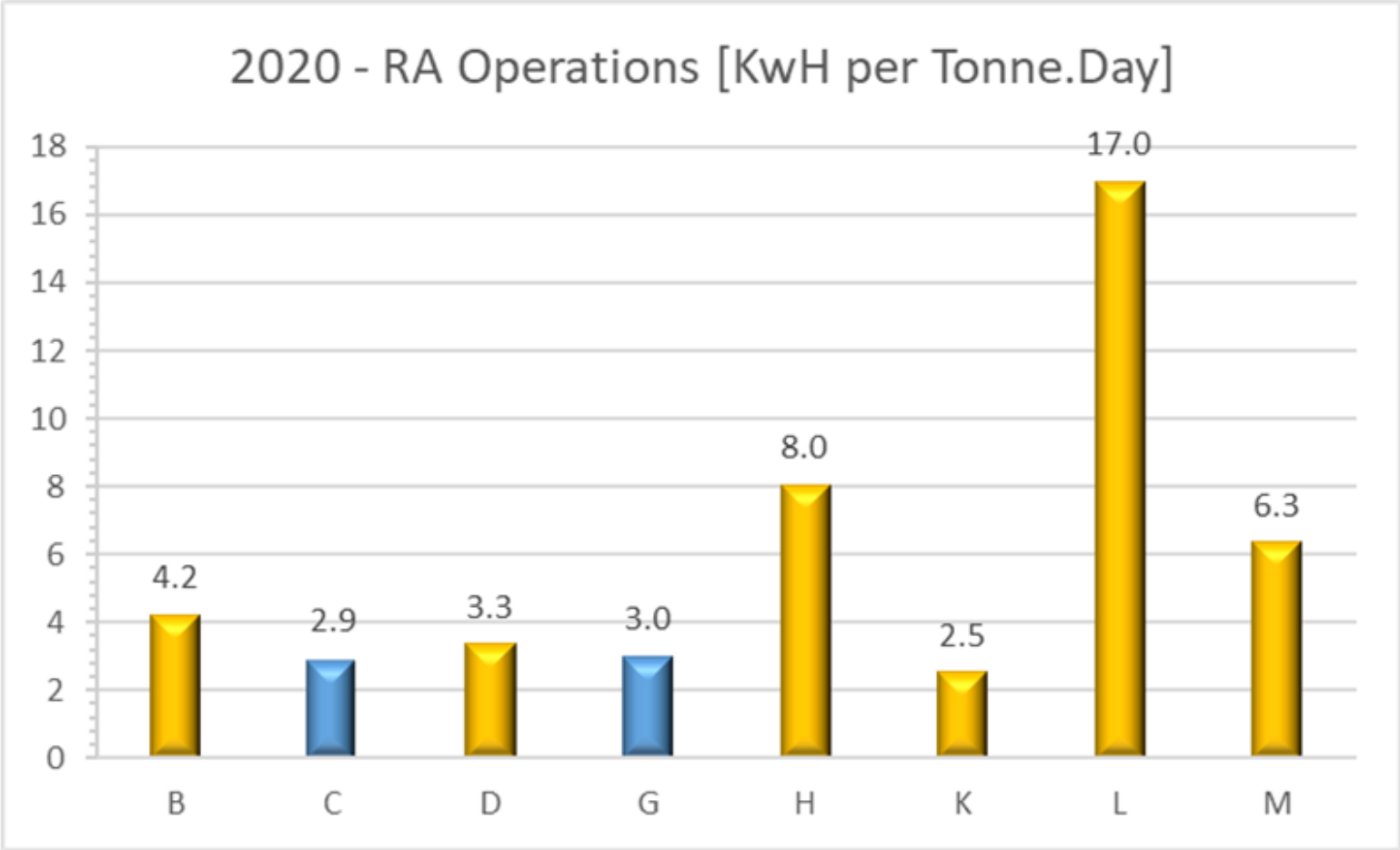
- This includes all electricity consumption relevant only to CA operations (refrigeration plant, compressors, condensers, fans, cooling towers, etc.)



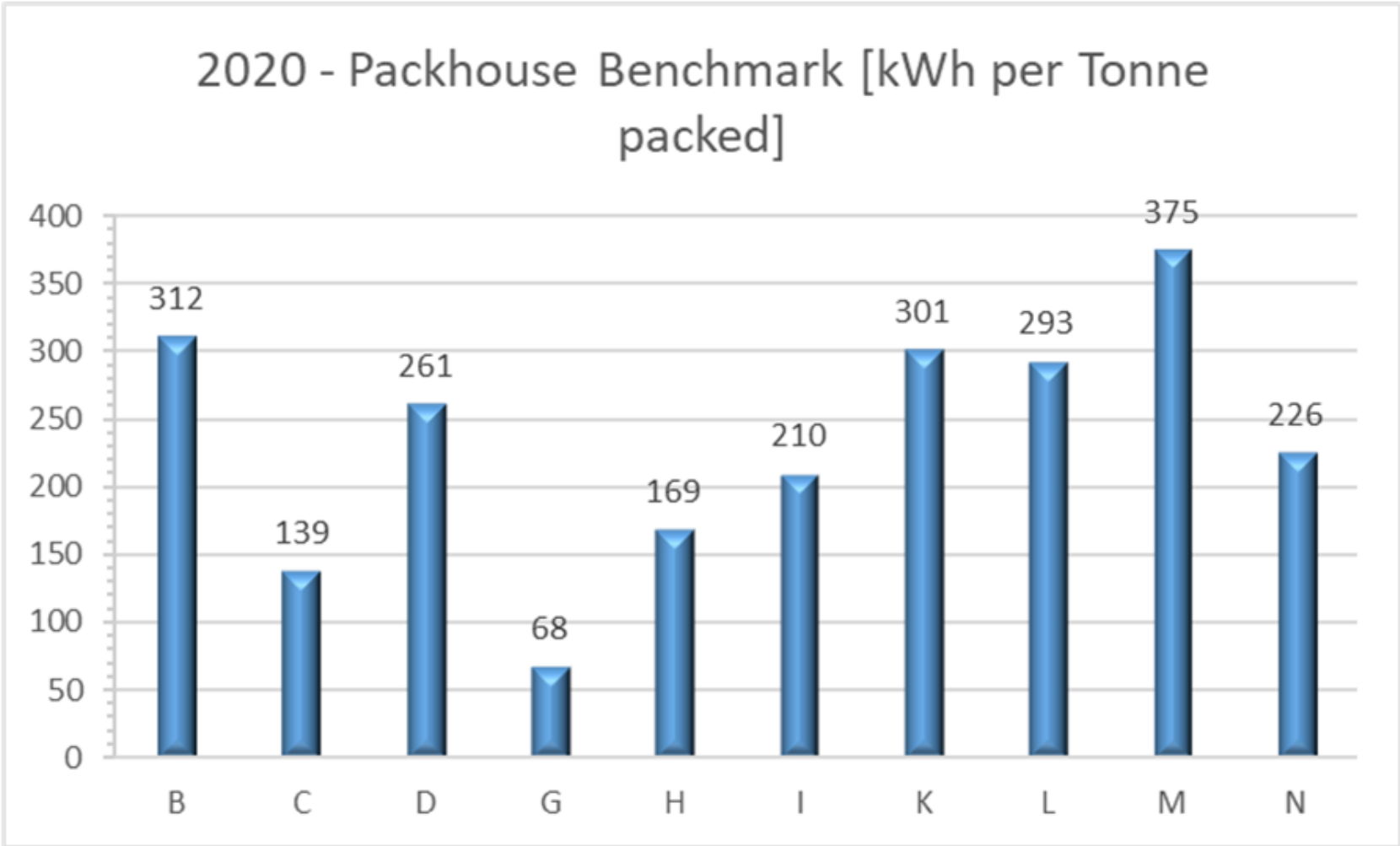
Electricity Benchmark Results – RA Operations



- This includes all electricity consumption relevant only to RA operations (refrigeration plant, compressors, condensers, fans, cooling towers, etc.)



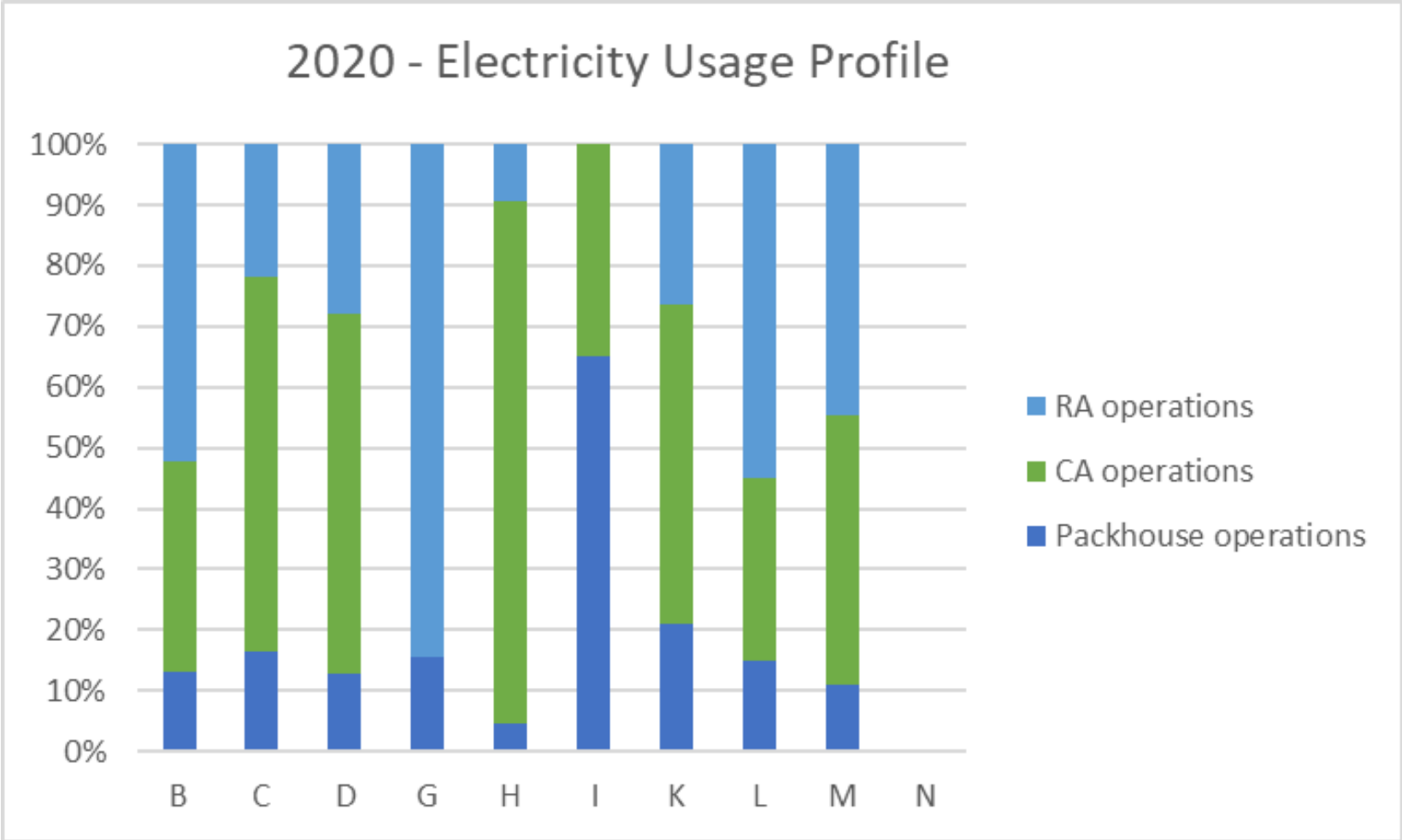
Electricity Benchmark Results – Overall Electricity Consumption Benchmark



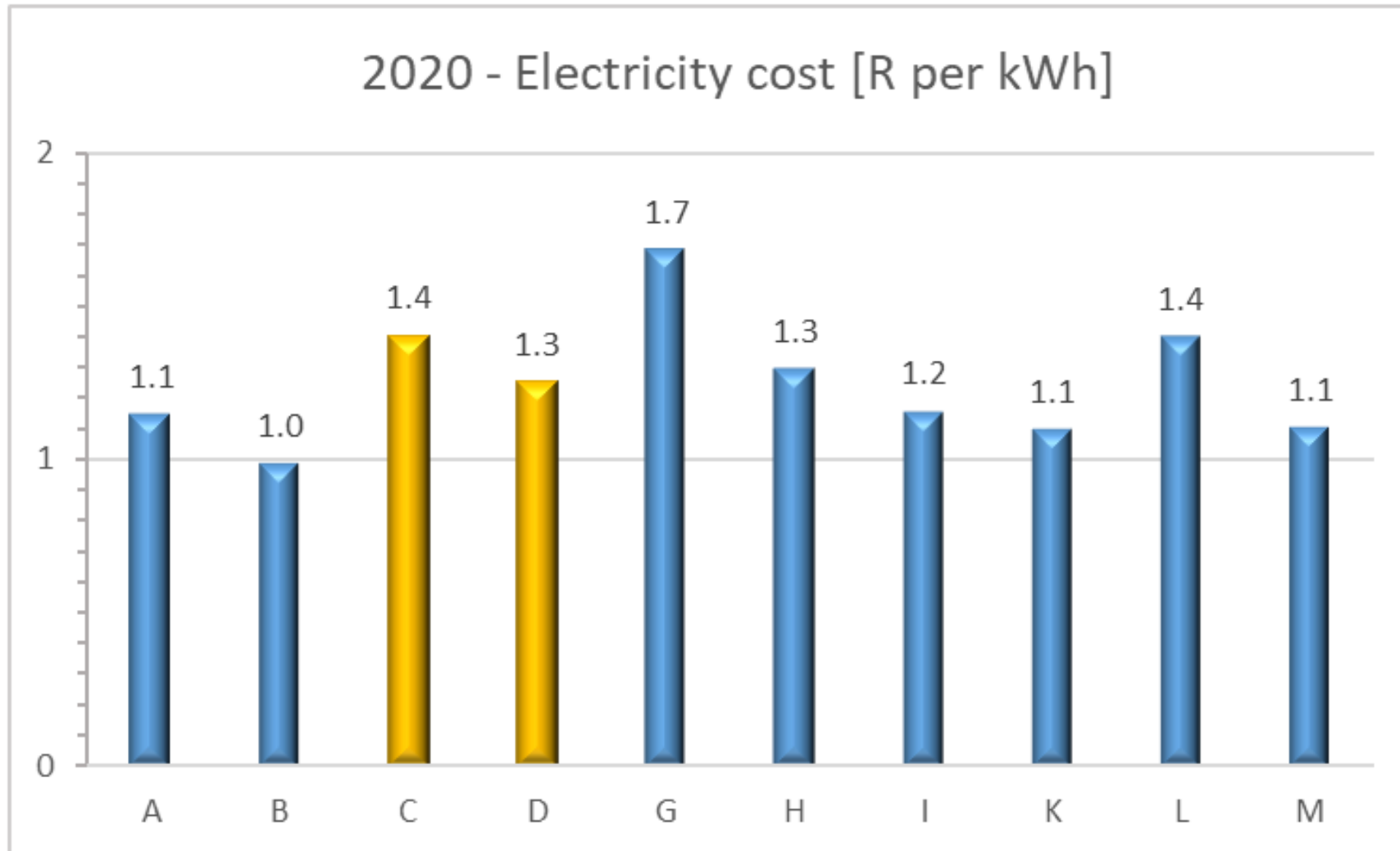
Electricity Benchmark Results – Electricity Use Profiles



- Displays the electricity use percentage profile per packhouse.



Electricity Benchmark Results – Electricity Cost Benchmark



Conclusions



- Phase 4 positives:
 - **Three new** packhouses participated.
 - Year-on-year comparisons – trends starting to emerge.
 - **Water usage** appears to be **stabilizing** and even **decreasing**.
 - Increased awareness of metering blind spots and data quality issue for each specific packhouse.
 - Increased awareness of the project, 3 more packhouses committed to participate in future.
 - Most packhouses already have some **water and energy saving practices** in place and have plans to implement more in the future.
 - More accurate packing line benchmarks (drenching and pre-sort split out).
 - **Energy benchmarking** initiated.
- Phase 4 challenges:
 - Was unable to achieve 15 packhouse goal.
 - Data quality



Thank You

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