

Siding Options Comparison Chart

0 = worst / 5 = best Perfect Score = 80

	Do nothing	Repair/repaint	Vinyl	Wood	Aluminum/steel	Pressboard	Brick	Hardieplank™	EnergyClad™
Beauty									
Initial appearance	0	4	3	5	3	4	5	5	5
Architectural flexibility	0	0	2	4	2	4	0	4	4
Long-lasting appearance	0	2	3	2	2	1	5	4	5
Investment									
Strength	0	2	1	3	2	2	5	5	5
Combustibility	0	0	2	0	5	2	5	5	5
Resistance to insects	0	1	3	1	4	1	5	5	5
Resistance to rot	0	1	2	1	2	1	5	5	5
Resistance to weather	0	2	2	2	2	2	5	5	5
Resistance to fading	0	3	1	3	2	3	5	3	5
Warranty	0	0	3	0	2	2	2	4	5
Effect on resale value	0	2	2	3	1	1	5	4	5
Expense									
Initial Cost	5	4	3	2	3	3	0	2	2
Repair/maintenance	0	1	3	2	3	2	4*	5	5
Painting	0	1	5	1	5	1	2*	3	5
Eventual Replacement	0	1	3	3	3	2	4*	5	5
Energy Savings	0	0	2	1	0	1	2	1	4
Total	5	20	40	33	41	31	60	65	75

*While brick is a “no-maintenance” siding material, wood or vinyl soffit and trim are exposed to the elements and require painting, repair and replacement