

## Interior Countertops: Recommended Materials

	Plastic Laminate	Solid Surface	Natural Stone	Cast Stone	Metals
<b>Group 1</b> HQ, Command, ECFs, Chapels					
<b>Group 2</b> Admin. Squad Ops, Community Support					
<b>Group 3</b> Industrial and Flightline Operations					
<b>Group 4</b> Family Housing					

Most Appropriate ←————→ Least Appropriate

**General Notes:**

1. Conduct a Life Cycle Cost Analysis: consider the cost of long-term maintenance and eventual replacement
2. Thoroughly evaluate the material's performance: durability to withstand operations and ability to endure weathering in the local climate
3. Solid Surface: Manufactured polymer material such as Corian
4. Cast Stone: Aggregate and cementitious binder manufactured to simulate cut stone
5. Metals: Factory-finished stainless steel used for countertops
6. Consider Federal HPSB Guiding Principles green product procurement requirements

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<https://www.epa.gov/greenerproducts>  
<http://www.biopreferred.gov/>