The background features a dark, textured surface with several large, overlapping circular patterns. On the right side, a prominent circular element contains a colorful, semi-transparent globe of the Earth, showing continents and oceans. The overall color palette is dominated by dark blues, teals, and greys, with some lighter, glowing areas that suggest energy or light.

# The Energy Picture Infographic

An Update

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## NET ZERO IN ALBERTA

All-Electric approach  
not successful in Alberta

All Electric Net Zero		
(kwh)	Model	Actual
Space Heating	1,541	10,776
DHW Heating	1,533	3,622
Lights & Appliances	6,205	5,531
Ventilation & Fans	1,606	1,076
Air Conditioning	225	4
Total Energy	11,110	21,008
Solar Generation	11,110	11,962
Net Energy	0	9,046
Electric Utility Bill	\$600	\$2,482
GHG	0.2	5.2
Key Features	Upgraded Envelope Air Source Heat Pump Heat Pump Water Heater 10 kw solar	
Incremental Cost	\$86,500	

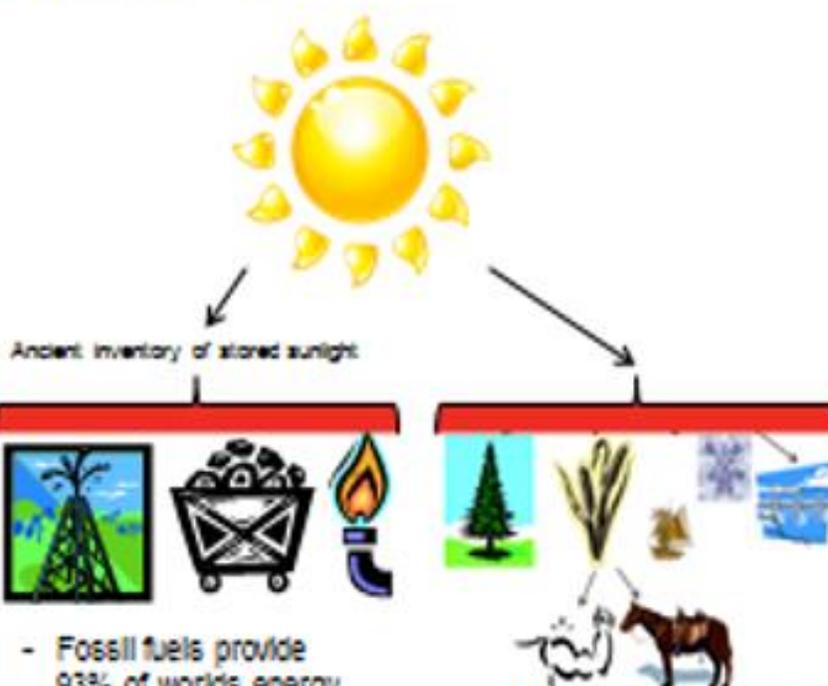
# Wealth / Energy In Historical Perspective

## All of history up to 1900



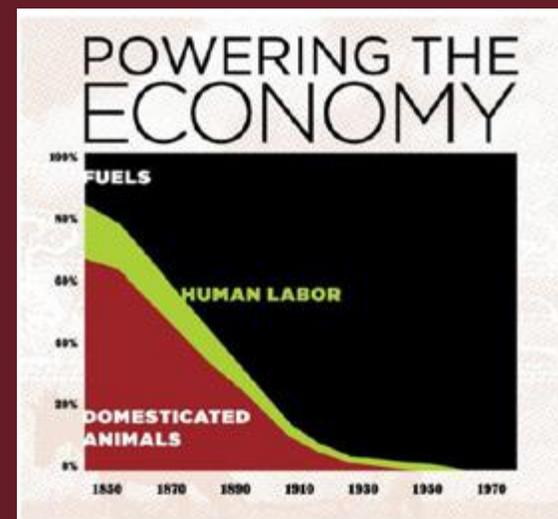
94% of production energy from people and animals

## Since 1900



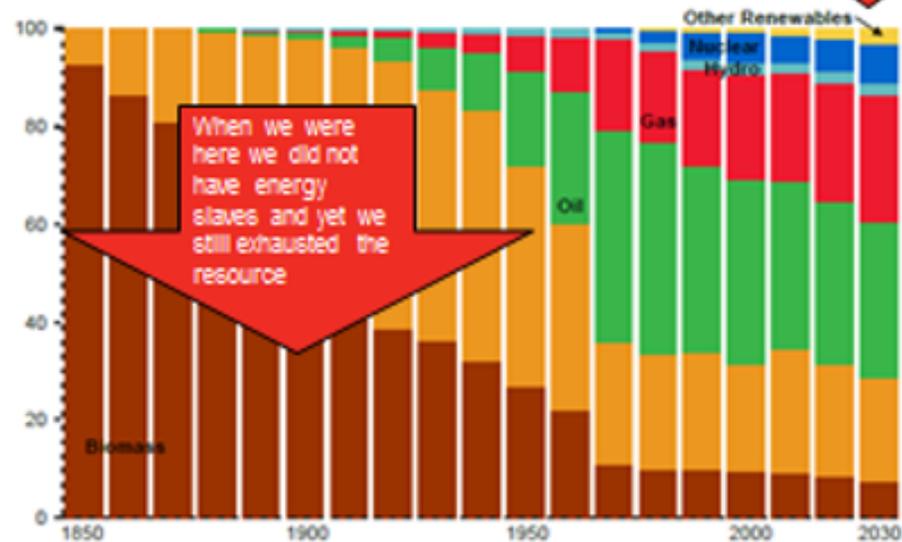
- Fossil fuels provide 93% of worlds energy currently
- 5/6 of all fossil fuels have been burnt in the last 55 years

- Hydro power accounts for 1% of energy supply currently
- People and animal labour is approximately 6% of productive energy today



## Energy Needs Evolve Over Time

Global Demand By Fuel  
Percent



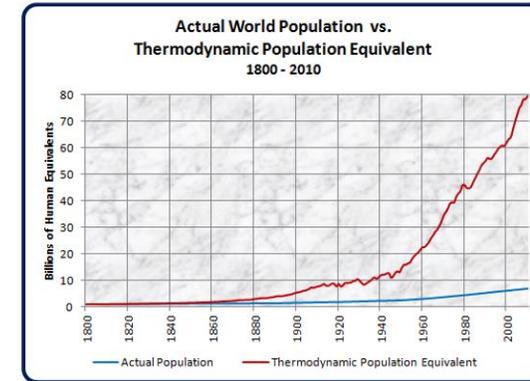
ExxonMobil 2010 Energy Outlook

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Taking on the world's toughest energy challenges™

Source: Smil, *Energy Transitions*; ExxonMobil

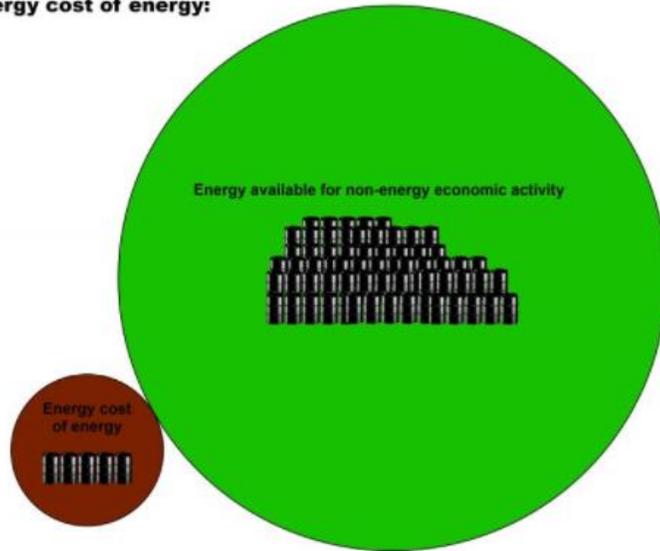


Thermodynamic population equivalent refers to number of people needed to do work that is completed today with appliances and automation

Machine	Horsepower
Man pushing a lever	0.05
Ox pulling a load	0.5
Water wheels	0.5-5
Versailles water works (1600)	75
Newcomen steam engine	5.5
Watt's steam engine	40
Marine steam engine (1850)	1,000
Marine steam engine (1900)	8,000
Steam turbine (1940s)	300,000
Coal or nuclear power plant (1970s)	1,500,000

Source: Cook [33]

**Low energy cost of energy:**



If, then, the energy cost of energy increases – i.e. we have to divert more energy away from the non-energy economy; the non-energy economy *must* shrink:

**High energy cost of energy:**

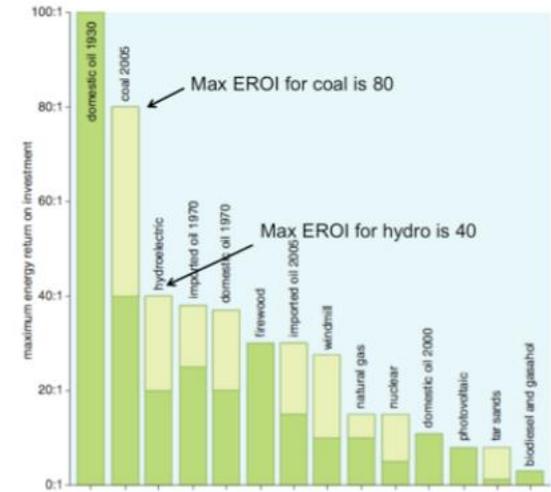
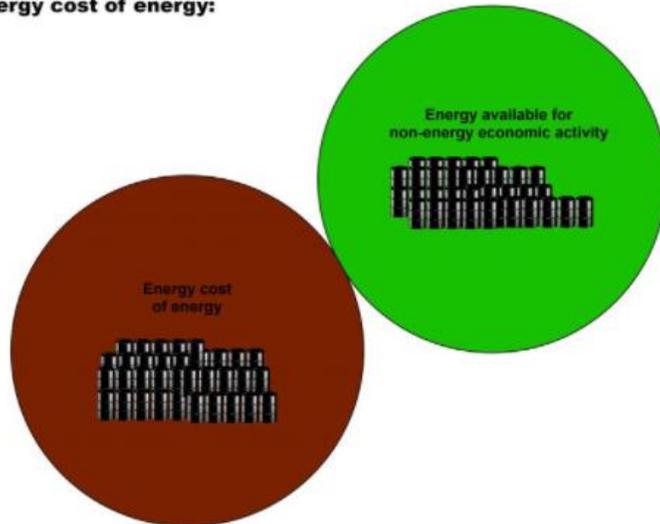
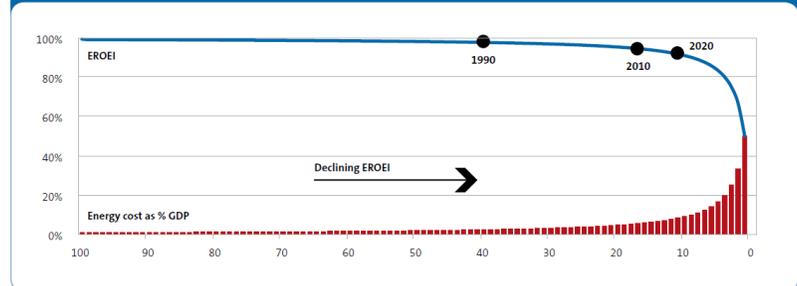
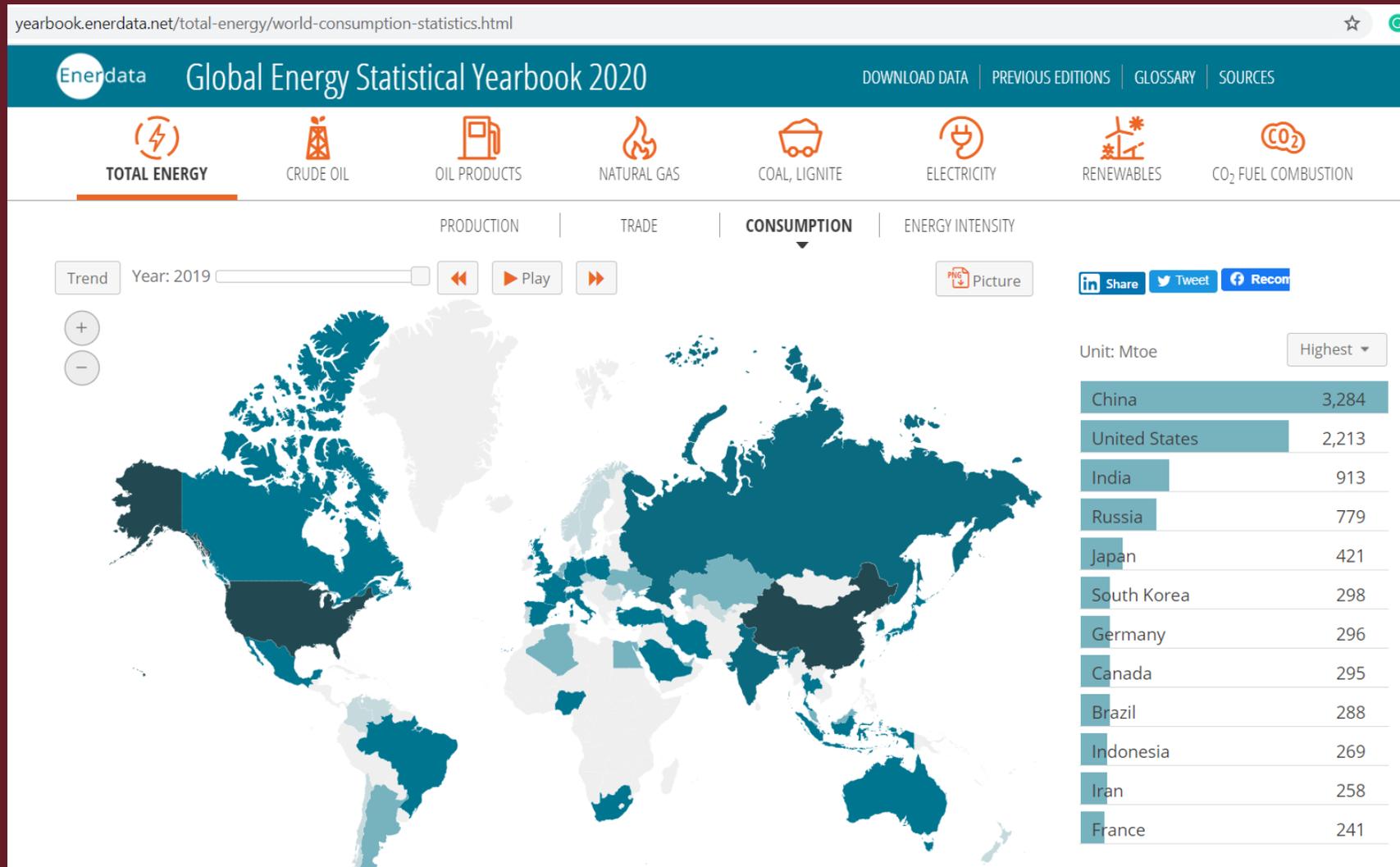


Fig. 1.5: Nearing the energy returns cliff-edge\*

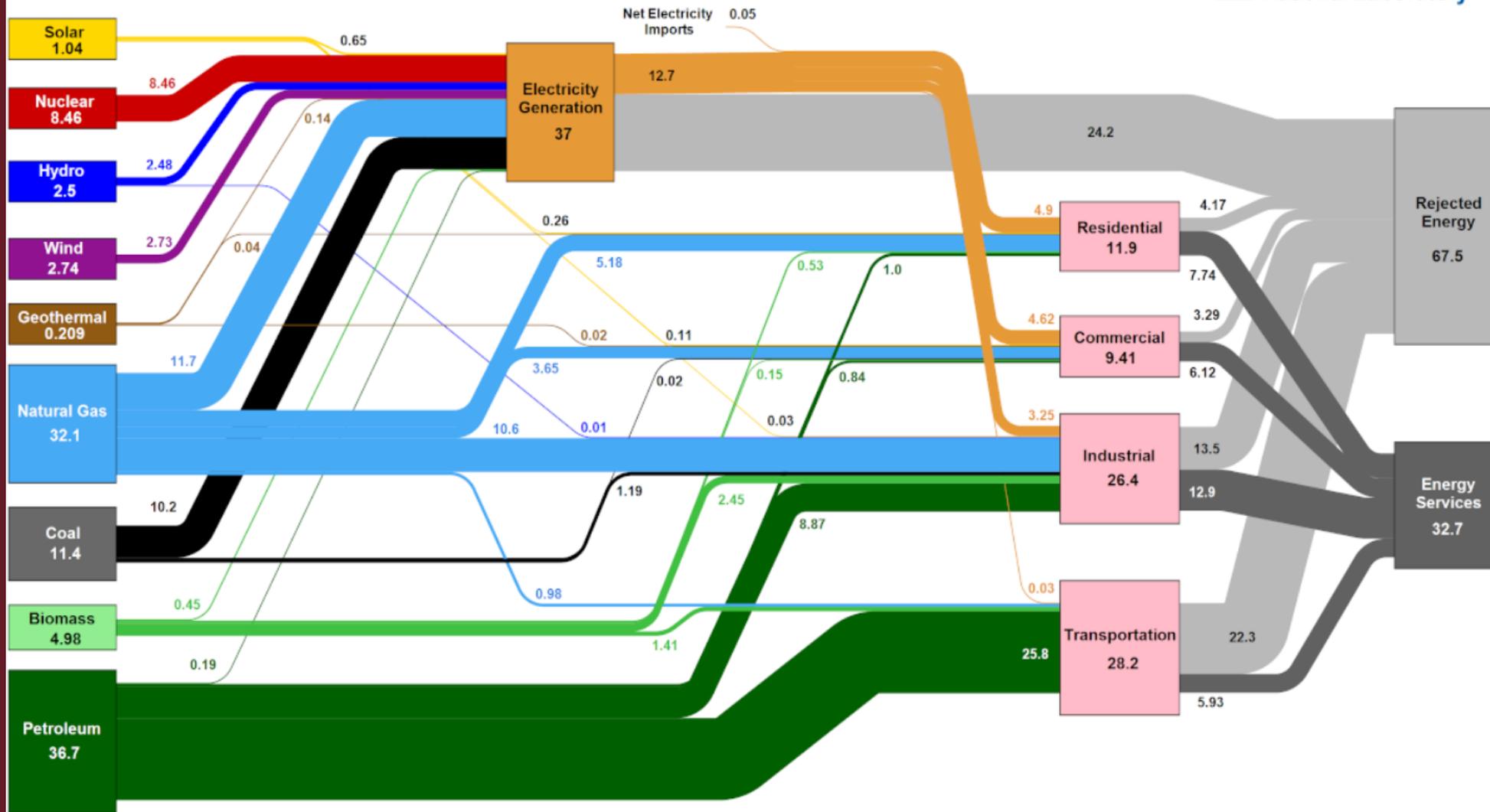


\* Source: Tullett Prebon analysis

# <https://yearbook.enerdata.net/>

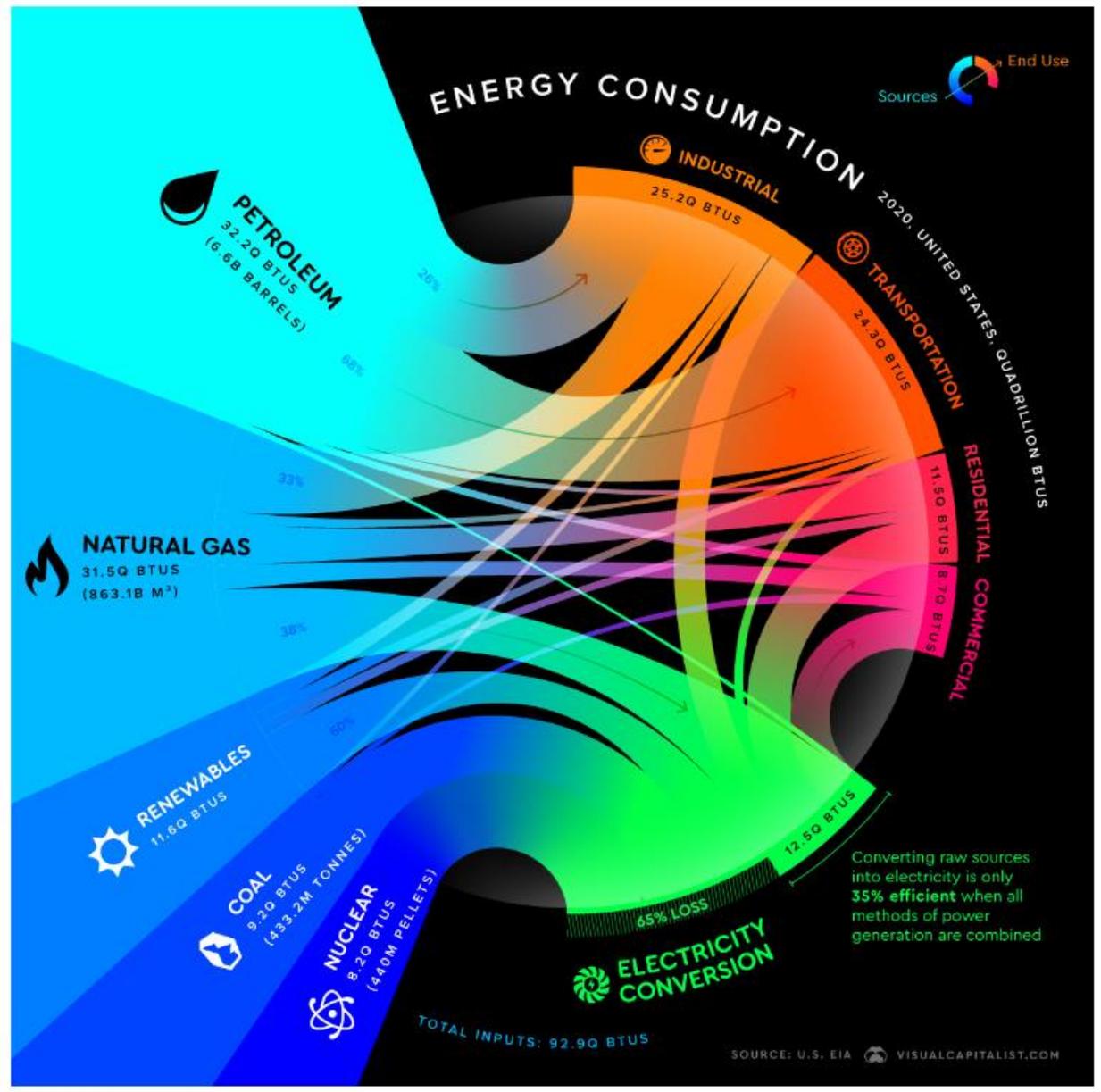


# Estimated U.S. Energy Consumption in 2019: 100.2 Quads



Cogeneration, etc. can drive efficiencies here

Source: LLNL March, 2020. Data is based on DOE/EIA MER (2019). If this information or a reproduction of it is used, credit must be given to the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and the Department of Energy, under whose auspices the work was performed. Distributed electricity represents only retail electricity sales and does not include self-generation. EIA reports consumption of renewable resources (i.e., hydro, wind, geothermal and solar) for electricity in BTU-equivalent values by assuming a typical fossil fuel plant heat rate. The efficiency of electricity production is calculated as the total retail electricity delivered divided by the primary energy input into electricity generation. End use efficiency is estimated as 65% for the residential sector, 65% for the commercial sector, 21% for the transportation sector and 49% for the industrial sector, which was updated in 2017 to reflect DOE's analysis of manufacturing. Totals may not equal sum of components due to independent rounding. LLNL-MI-410527



## A Fraction of Your Household Budget

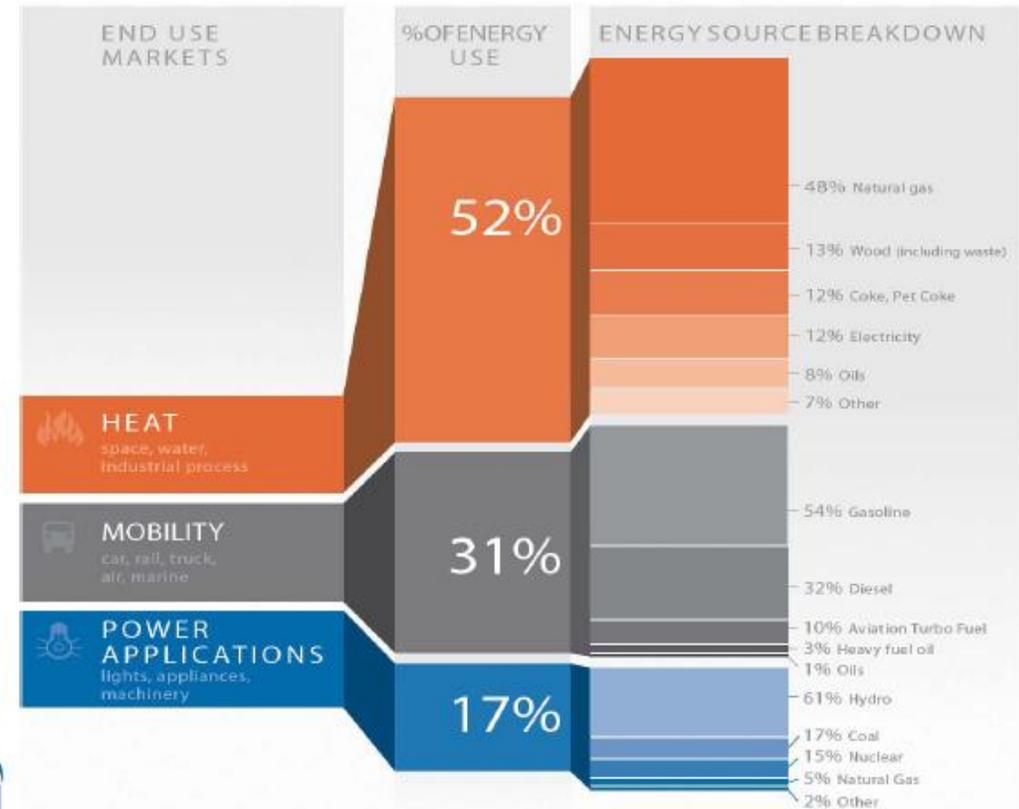
The average Canadian spends less than \$4 per day on electricity, well below the national average for other necessities like food and shelter. In fact, most Canadians spend more money on clothing and footwear than they do their electricity.

Source: Statistics Canada, CANSIM Table 203-0022 (2013)

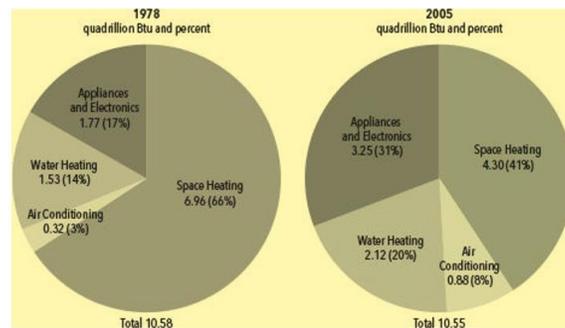


Electricity Pricing Comparison for Canadian Provinces, 2013  
Average Daily Household Cost, Canadian Dollars

## HOW CANADA USES ENERGY: HEAT, MOBILITY, POWER



U.S. residential energy use

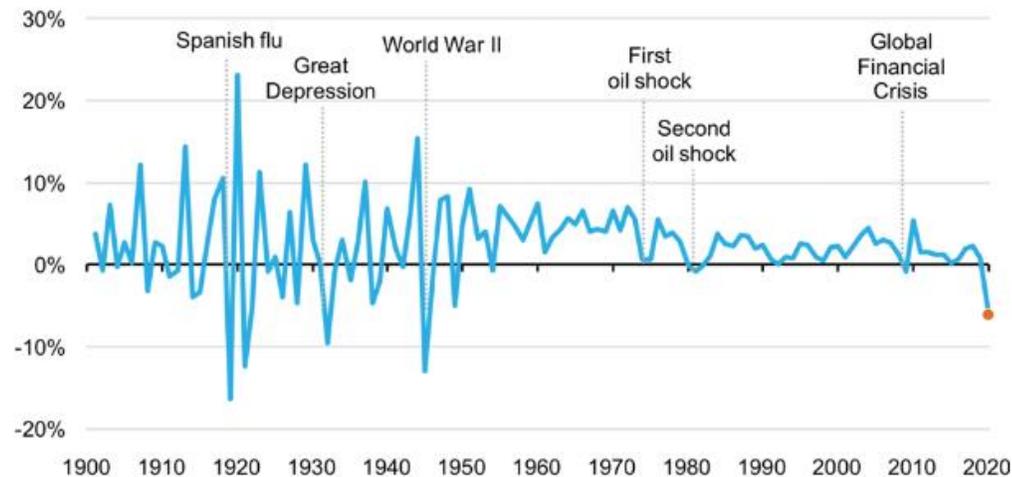


## In Perspective: 2019 Energy Use

Below, we'll use the unit of **quads**, with each quad worth 1 quadrillion BTUs, to compare data for the last five years of energy use in the United States. Each quad has roughly the same amount of energy as contained in 185 million barrels of crude oil.

Year	Energy Consumption	Change (yoy)	Fossil Fuels in Mix
2019	100.2 quads	-1.0	80.0%
2018	101.2 quads	+3.5	80.2%
2017	97.7 quads	+0.4	80.0%
2016	97.3 quads	+0.1	80.8%
2015	97.2 quads	-1.1	81.6%

**FIGURE 1: RATE OF CHANGE OF GLOBAL PRIMARY ENERGY DEMAND (1900-2020)**

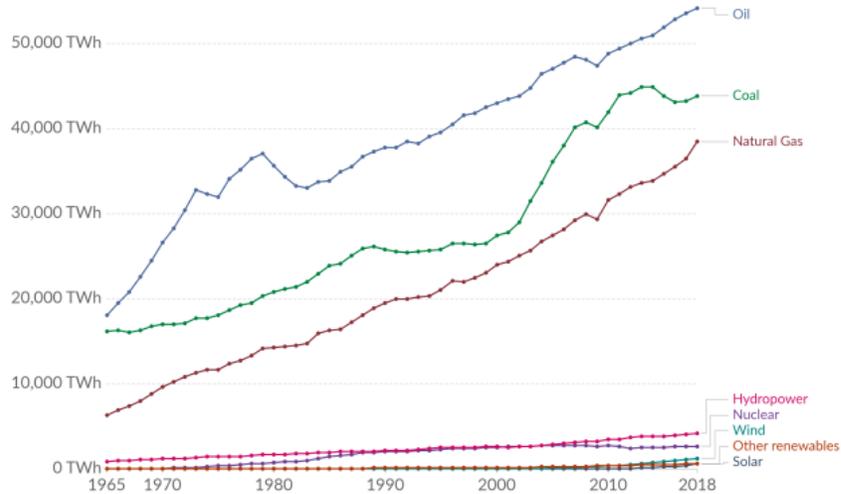


Source: International Energy Agency (2020). *Global Energy Review 2020*. All rights reserved.

## Primary energy consumption by source, World, 1965 to 2018

Primary energy consumption is measured in terrawatt-hours (TWh).

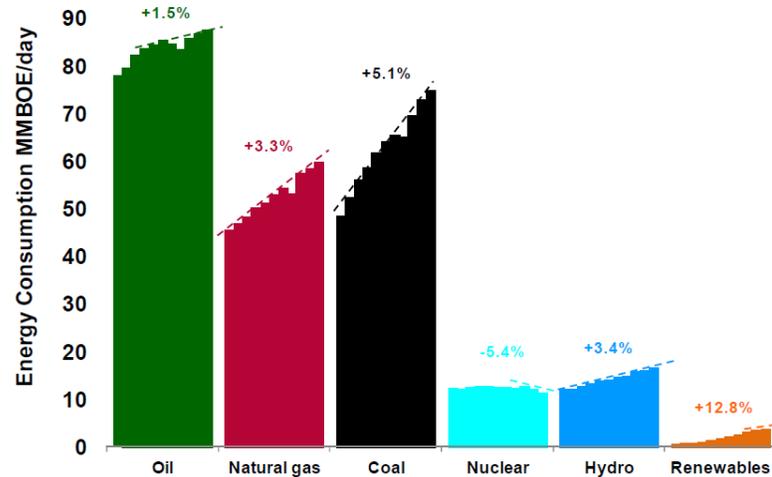
Our World  
in Data



Source: BP Statistical Review of Global Energy (2019)

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Figure 1: World Energy Consumption by Source  
Average 2002 to 2012, with Trending Growth Rates



Sources: BP Statistical Review, ARC Financial Research



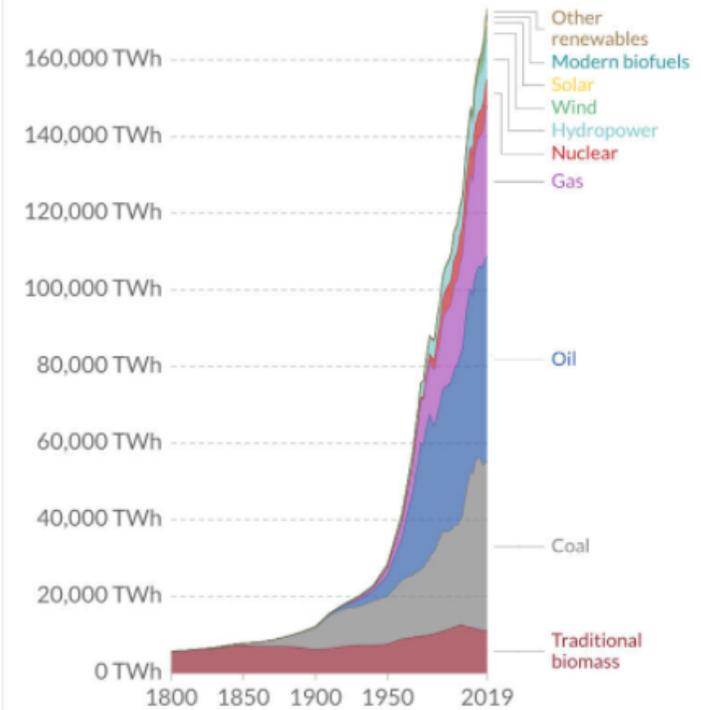
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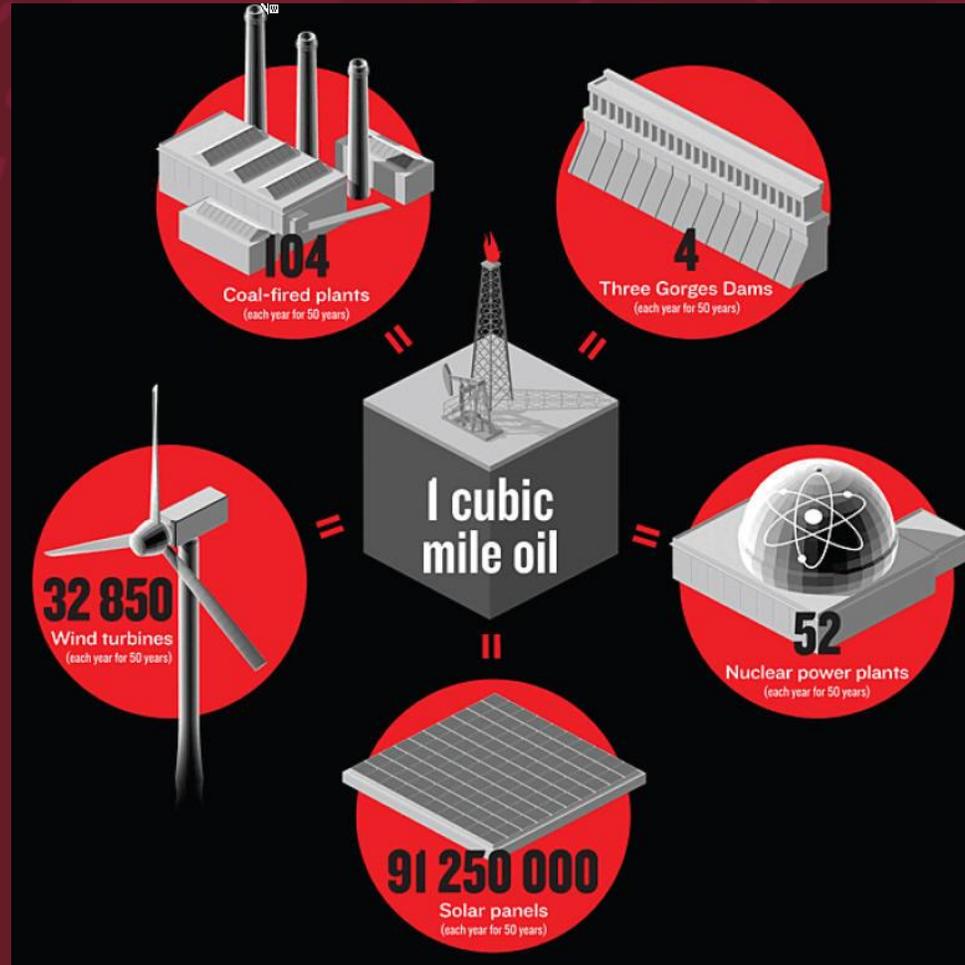
I'm flabbergasted, just cant believe how much we are kidding ourselves about this transition to renewable energy in next few years.

Stories about about 'green steel', 'green aluminum' even 'green concrete' FFS, electric cars and electric everything else.

So we are going to replace 140k TWh of a total 170 with renewables? that's 4 or 5 times what we have and every bit of the infrastructure to that will require fossil energy for infrastructure like mining the materials that are harder and harder to find, with energy that has a fast increasing energy-cost-of-energy (declining net energy or EROI). We are in LALA land and that includes our CCC, is everyone too scared to admit it? AND if by some miracle we did keep going as we are what about the rest of our massive threats like biodiversity crash, loss of soils, empty oceans, ocean acidification .....????? #climatechange #renewableenergy #scienceandenvironment #conservation

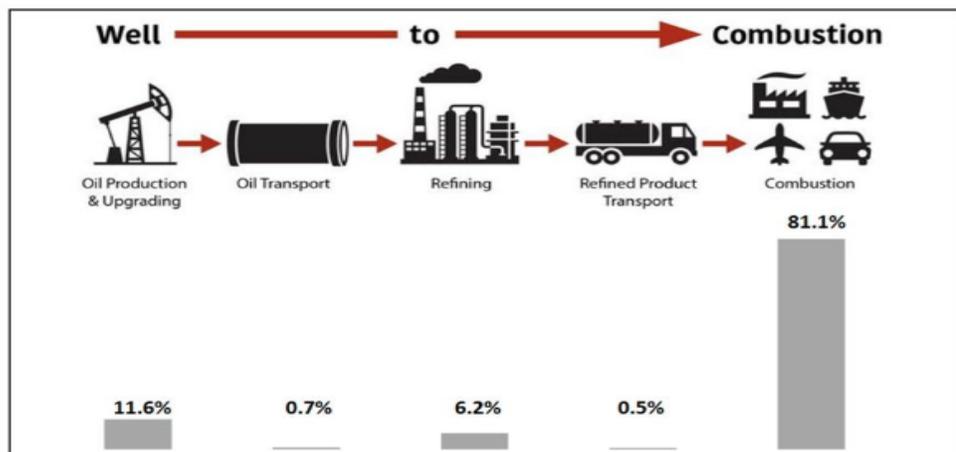


Source: Vaclav Smil (2017) & BP Statistical Review of World Energy  
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- Every day the world uses 98 million barrels of oil, 328 BCF of natural gas, 15 million tons of coal, 200,000 kilograms of uranium, 10.4TWh of hydroelectricity and millions of hectares of wind farms, solar panels, forests and cornfields.
- One cubic mile of oil (CMO) equals the oil that the world consumes every year. Three CMOs equal the energy that the world consumes every year. (More precisely, one CMO equals global oil consumption in 2000; by 2006, consumption had increased to 1.06 CMO.)

### Estimated Well-to-Combustion GHG Emissions From Crude Oil US Refined Average (2014)



Source: ARC Energy Research Institute. "Crude Oil Investing in a Carbon Constrained World" October 2017. Using Data from DOE/NETL for characterizing production and upgrading emissions.

Figure 1: Use of carbon tax revenues by high-income OECD countries

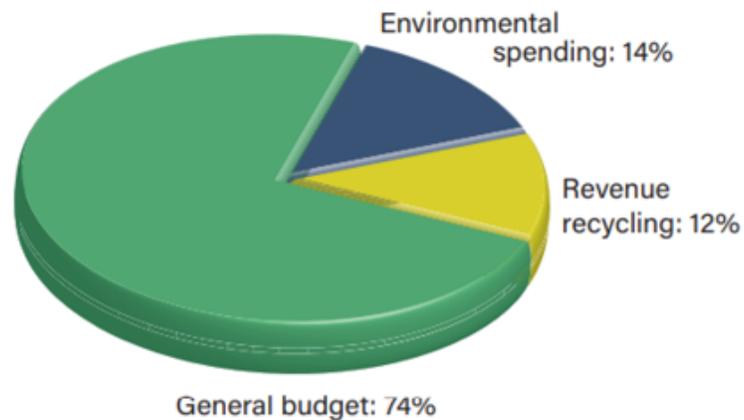


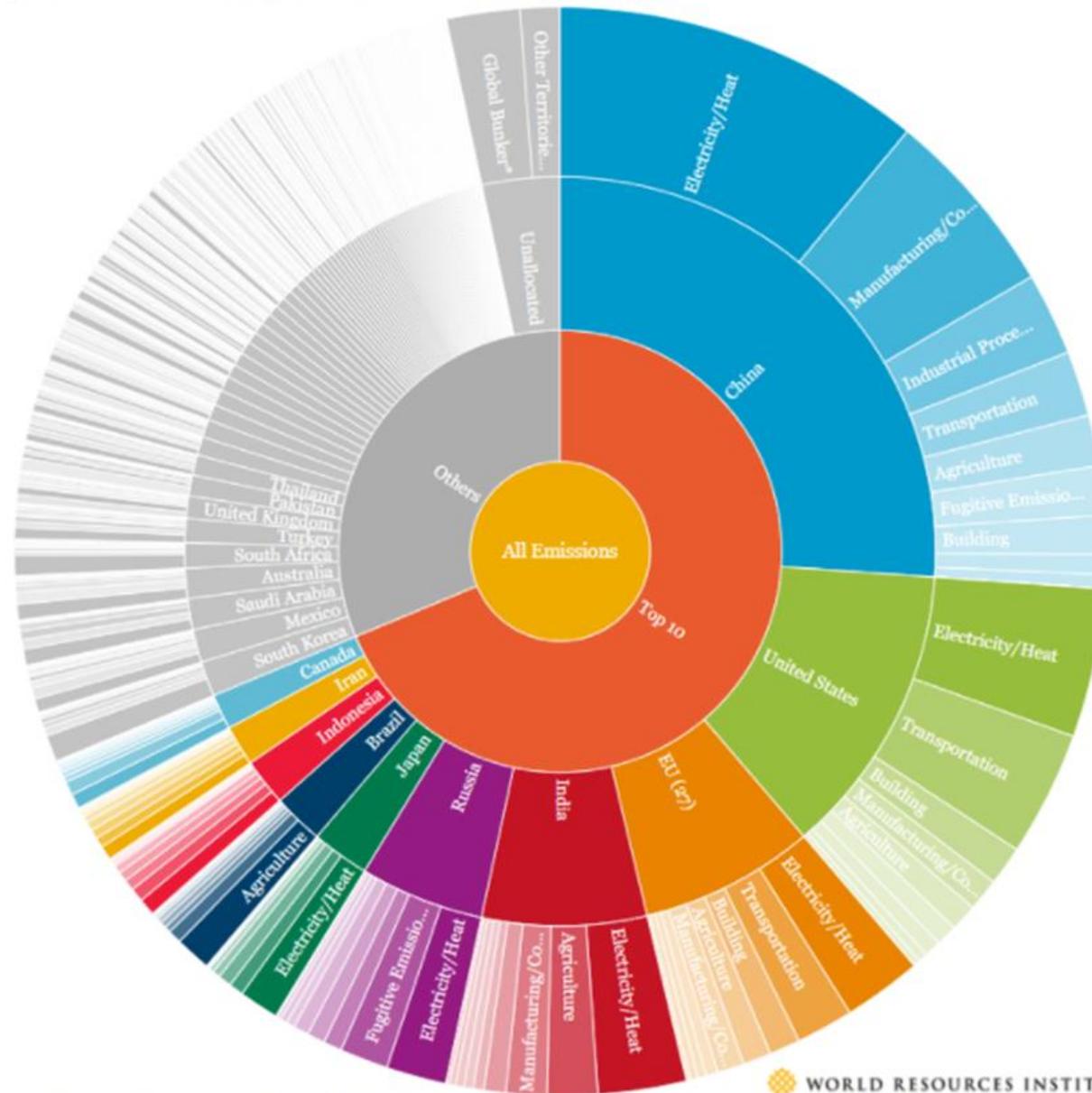
Table 2: Use of carbon tax revenues by high-income OECD countries (latest available data)

Country	Environmental spending (%)	Revenue recycling (%)	General budget (%)
Canada	10	90	0

# The Top 10 GHG Emitters Contribute Over Two-Thirds of Global Emissions

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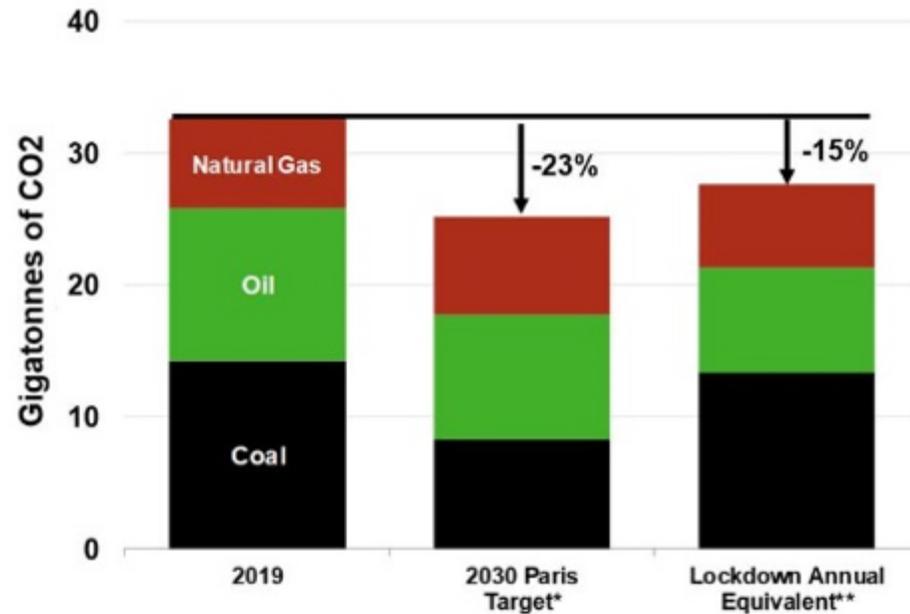
Graphic by Johannes Friedrich. Data source: [Preliminary global greenhouse gas emissions 2018 excluding land-use change and forestry \(LUCF\)](#) from Climate Watch. The EU 27 is considered a country.

\*Bunker fuels include international aviation and shipping that are not included in country totals. Other territories include regions not covered by Climate Watch country data. See Climate Watch for country level land-use change and forestry and bunker fuel emissions.

# SnapChart - "The World is Locked Down, Yet the Paris Target is Still Out of Reach"

## GHG Emissions From Fossil Fuels

Relative to Paris Targets



# Electricity



**GLOBAL ELECTRICITY DEMAND  
WILL INCREASE BY 62 PER CENT  
— FROM 25,000 TERAWATT-  
HOURS IN 2017 TO 38,700 BY  
2050**

Source: Bloomberg 2020

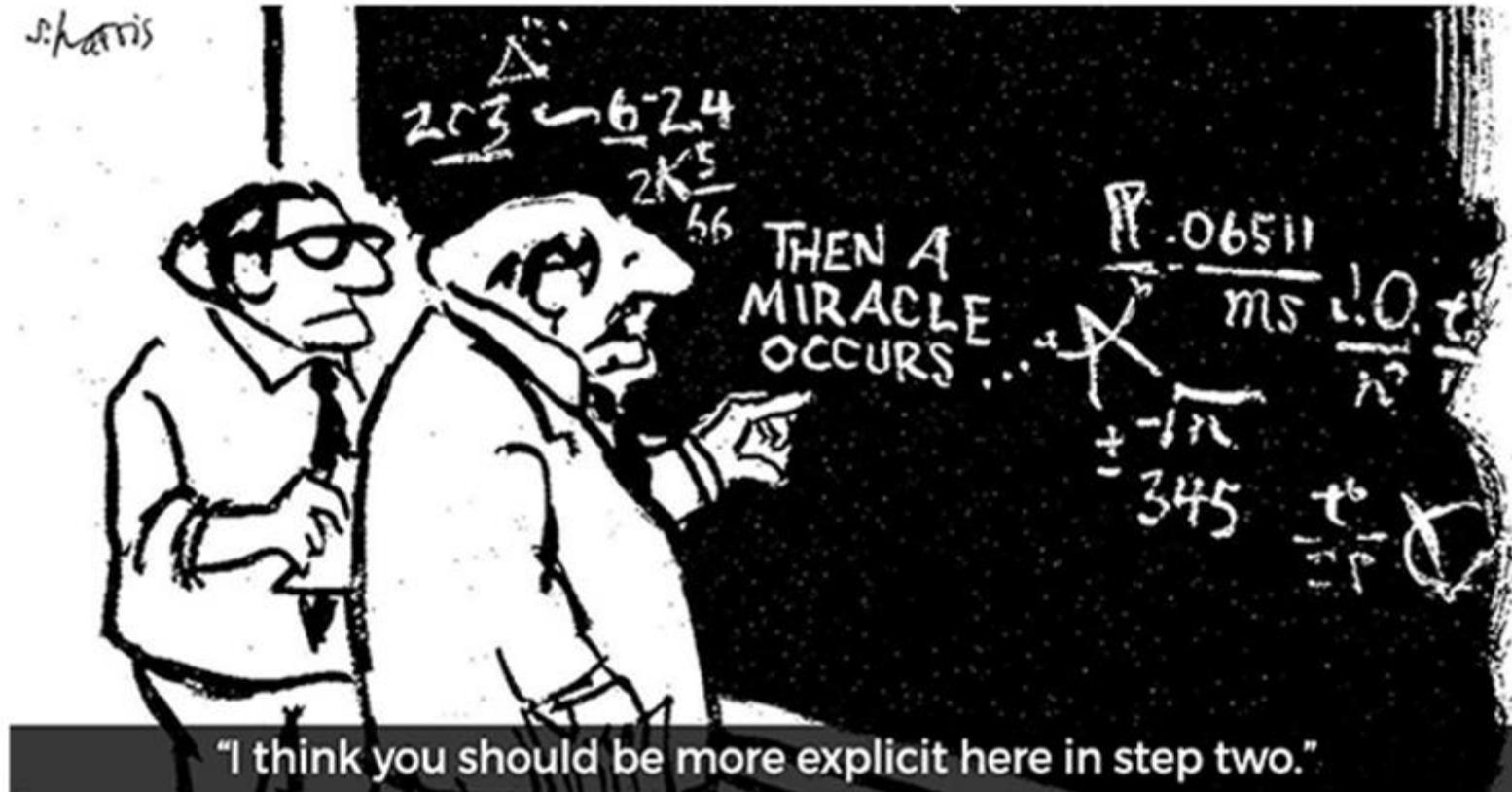
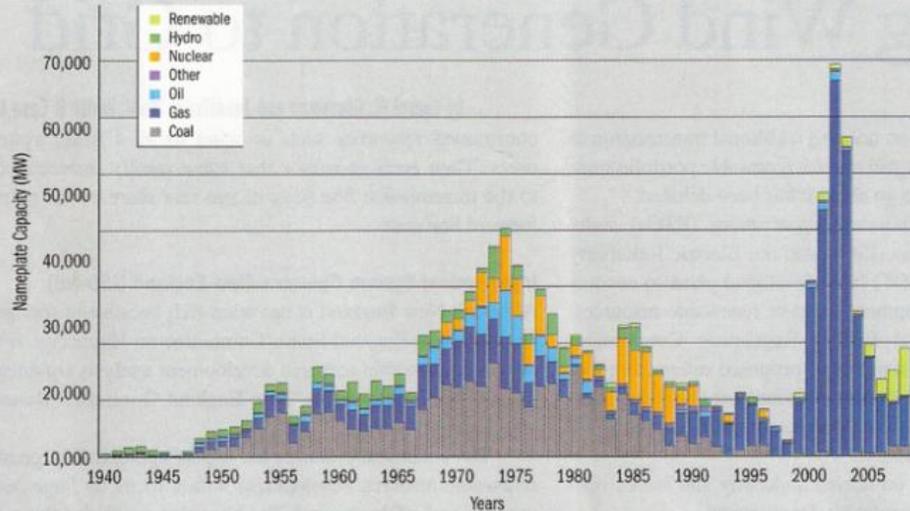


Figure 2: U.S. Power Plant Capacity Added By In-service Year

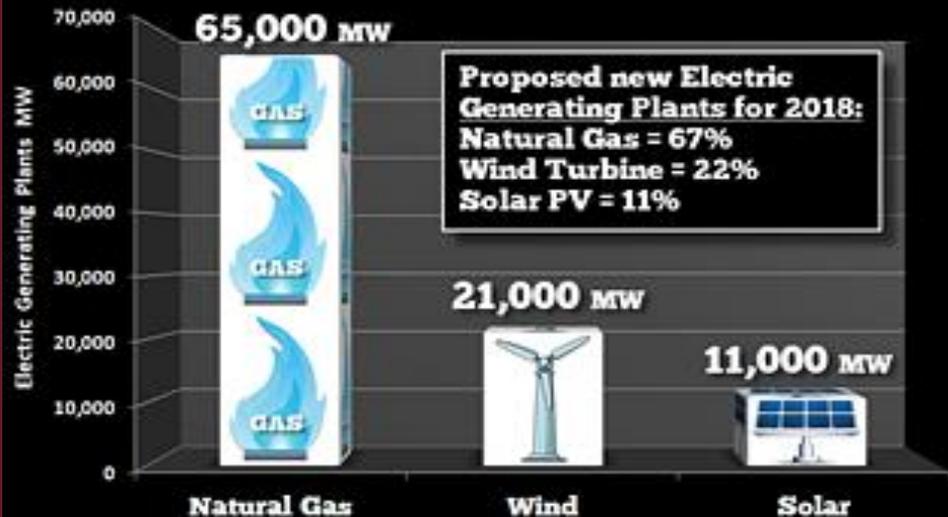


Source: Ceres, et al., Benchmarking Air Emissions of the 100 Largest Electric Power Producers in the United States, June 2010

	Electricity Generation (TWh)		Growth rate (%)		Shares (%)	
	2019	2018-19	2000	2019		
<b>Total Generation</b>	<b>26 951</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>		
Coal	9 819	-3.1%	39%	36%		
Oil	789	-1.4%	8%	3%		
Gas	6 246	2.5%	18%	23%		
Nuclear	2 806	3.3%	17%	10%		
Hydro	4 333	2.4%	17%	16%		
Biomass and waste	688	7.8%	1%	3%		
Wind	1 405	11.9%	0%	5%		
Solar photovoltaics	720	22.3%	0%	3%		
Other renewables	144	5.3%	0%	1%		

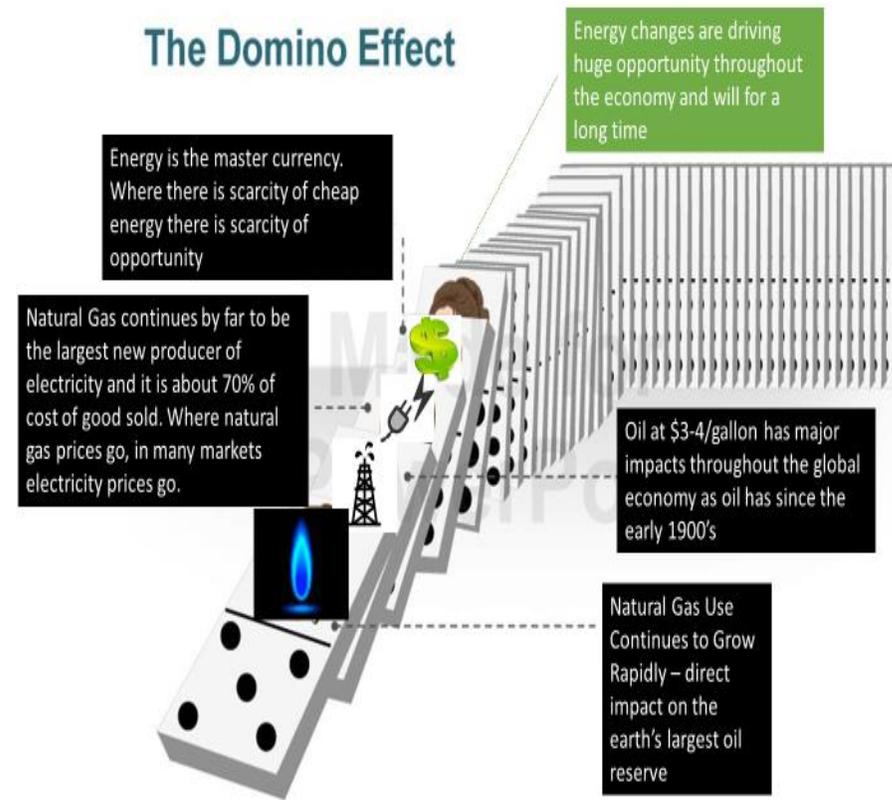
Source: IEA, 'Global Energy Review 2019'

Proposed U.S. Electric Generating Plants 2018



Info from EIA - U.S. Energy Information Agency / Annual Electric Generating Report

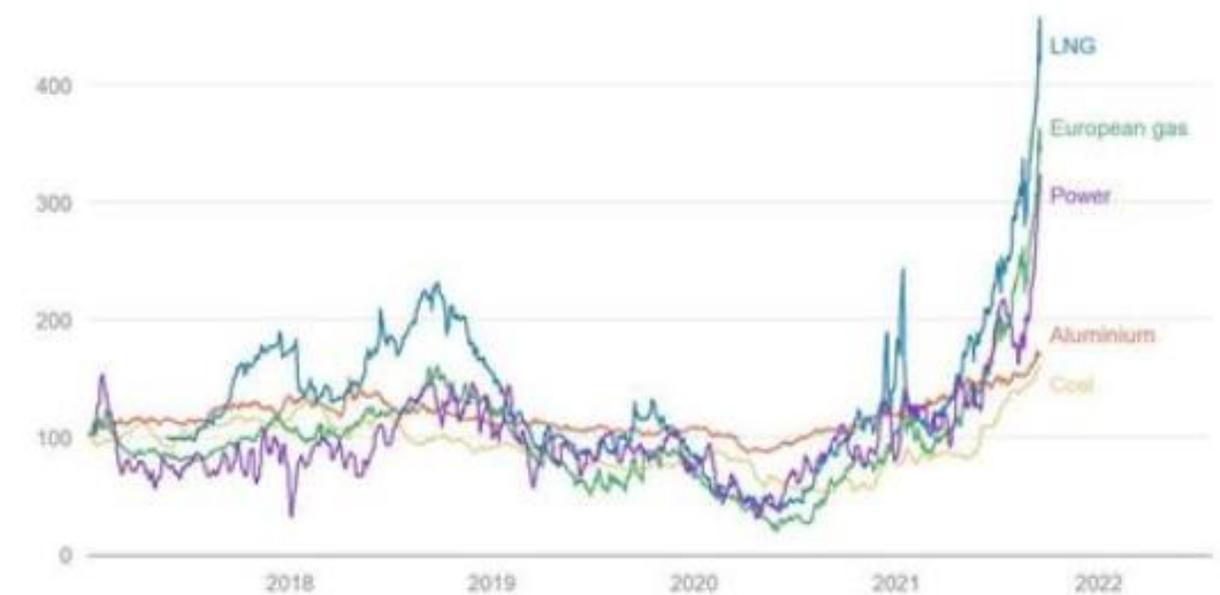
The Domino Effect



- ***Nationally, 450 landfills and 87 incinerators produced about 24 million megawatt-hours of electricity in 2007, about 2 days of U.S. electricity use.***
- ***By comparison, wind energy contributes about 3 days of U.S. power a year***
- ***Solar produces 76 minutes' worth.***

***US Energy Department data, 2009***

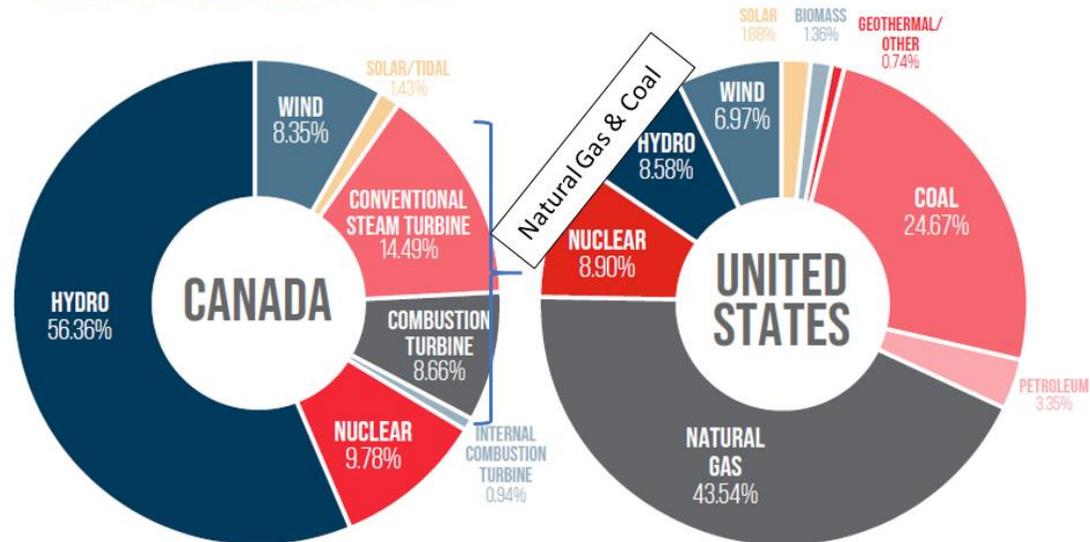
**Exhibit 1: Commodity price squeeze (index: January 2017 = 100)**



Note: Chart based on Netherlands TTF natural gas, day-head electricity price in Germany, the Japan/Korea LNG market, LME primary aluminium and thermal coal FOB Newcastle

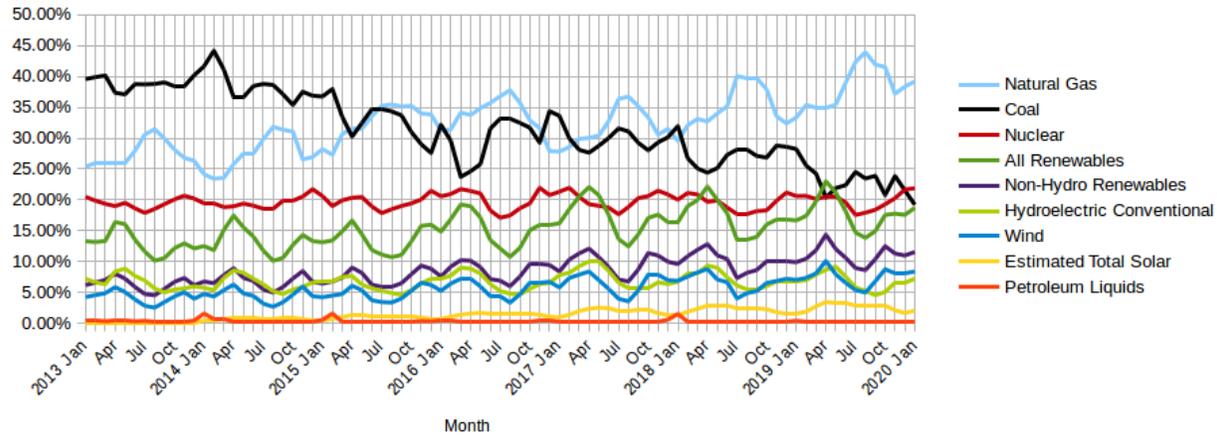
Source: Platts, Bloomberg, Morgan Stanley Research

### GENERATION MIX (CANADA / US)<sup>13</sup>



### US Monthly Electricity Generation

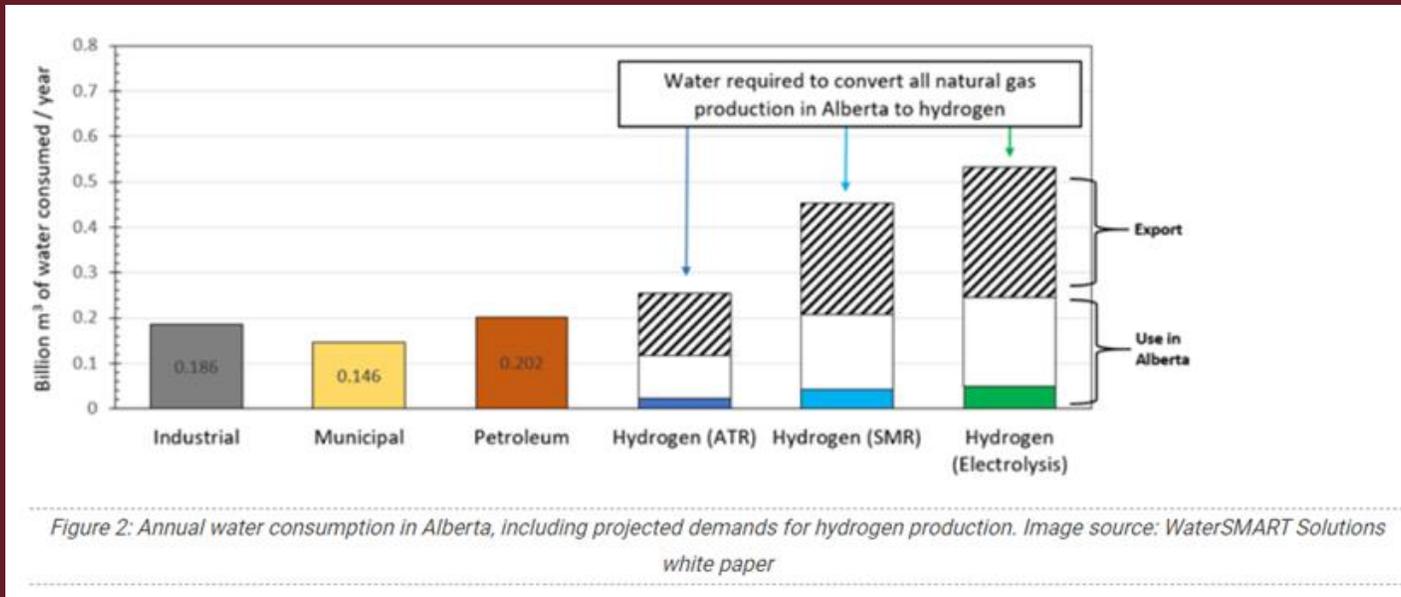
Percentage of Total by Source



# Hydrogen

## Water for a Hydrogen Economy: an Alberta case study

How much water is required to produce hydrogen? How much water and hydrogen would be required to replace 20% of the natural gas produced in Alberta? What is the cost of producing hydrogen? A report was recently published by WaterSMART Solutions Ltd. that responds to these questions. The report highlights the importance of water in the development of the hydrogen economy, and particularly begins to consider the tradeoffs that will likely be required with existing water consuming sectors in the province.

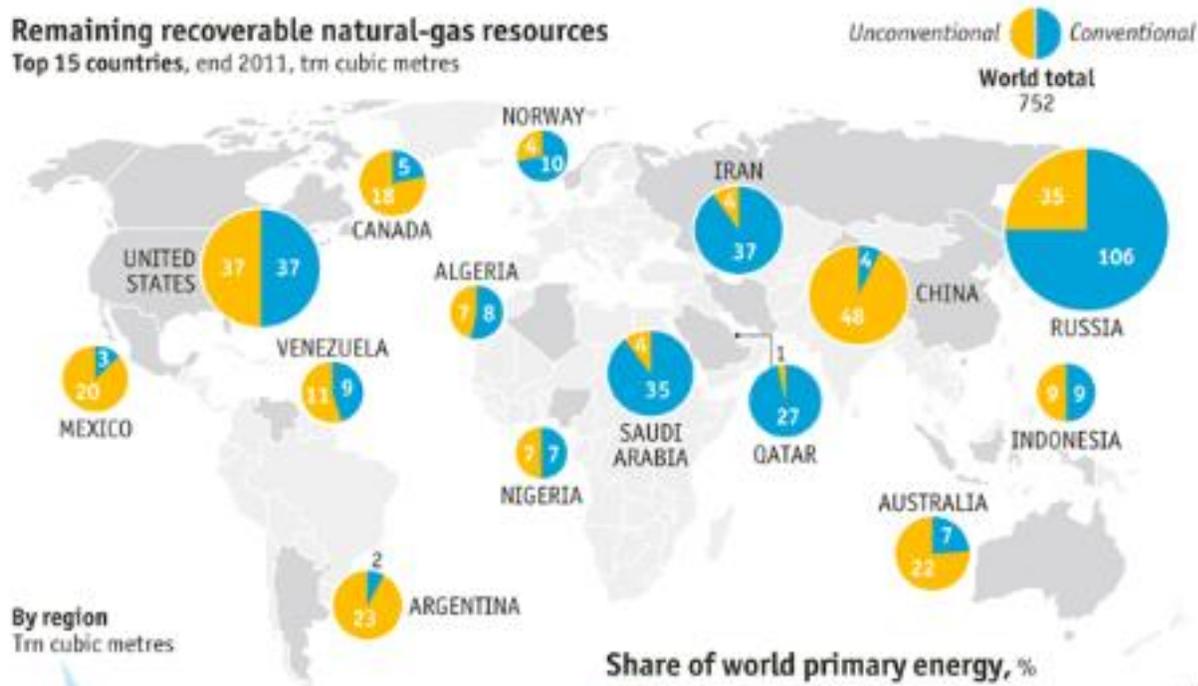




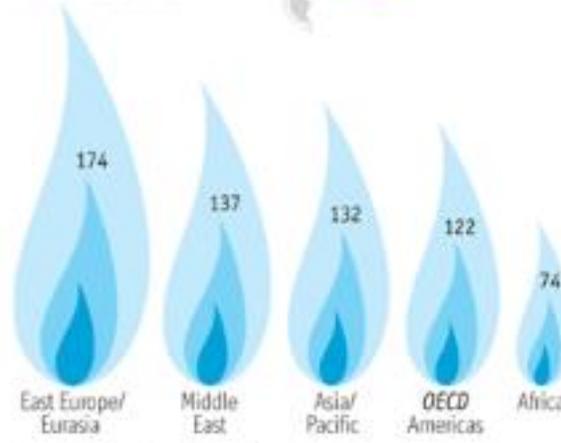
# Natural Gas

Short Heat Is Trouble

### Remaining recoverable natural-gas resources Top 15 countries, end 2011, trn cubic metres

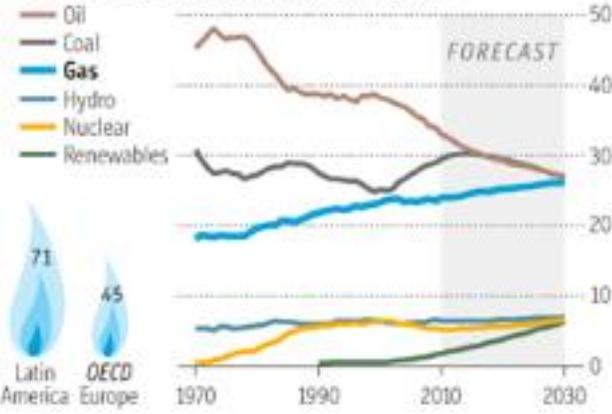


### By region Trn cubic metres

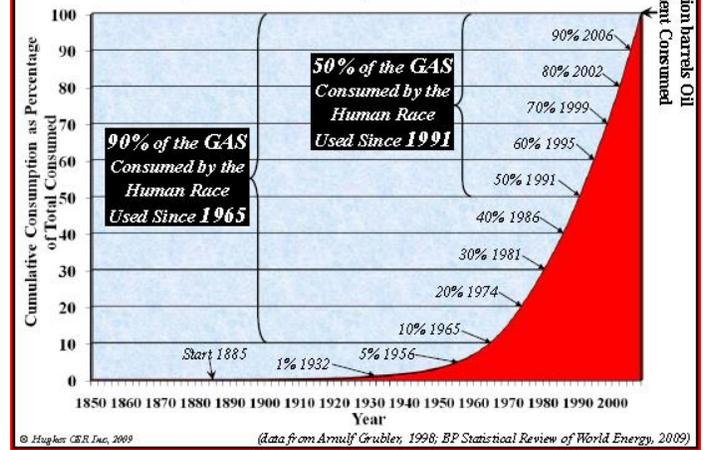


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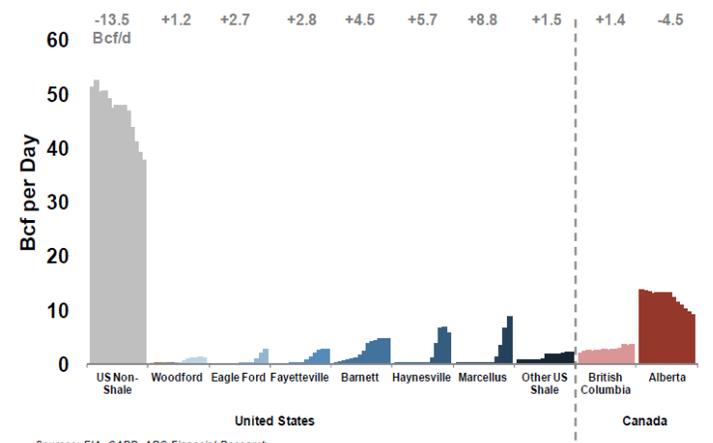
### Share of world primary energy, %



### Cumulative GAS Consumption by the Human Race as a Percentage of Total Consumption through Yearend 2008



### Figure 1: Annual Natural Gas Production by Various Regions Tower Charts of Annual Average Volumes, 2000 to 2013



Sources: EIA, CAPP, ARC Financial Research

Natural gas exports were the highest for any month since EIA began tracking monthly exports in 1973.

Liquefied natural gas (LNG) continues to drive the year-on-year increase in exports. LNG exports in November 2019 were 75.9% higher than in November 2018. In November 2019, the United States exported 6.3 Bcf/d of LNG to 22 countries.

Note the huge energy consumption needed for chilling LNG to enable over seas shipping

Natural gas reaches liquid state at:

**-162** DEGREES CELSIUS

Which will require about:

**14,500** GWh of electricity

Or enough electricity to power:

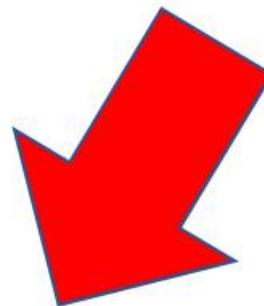


**75%** OF ALL RESIDENCES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

## Residential Space and Water Heating Costs - Canada 2018



Average savings of up to **\$2,000** per year



Source: StatsCan, Kent Marketing, Canadian Gas Association

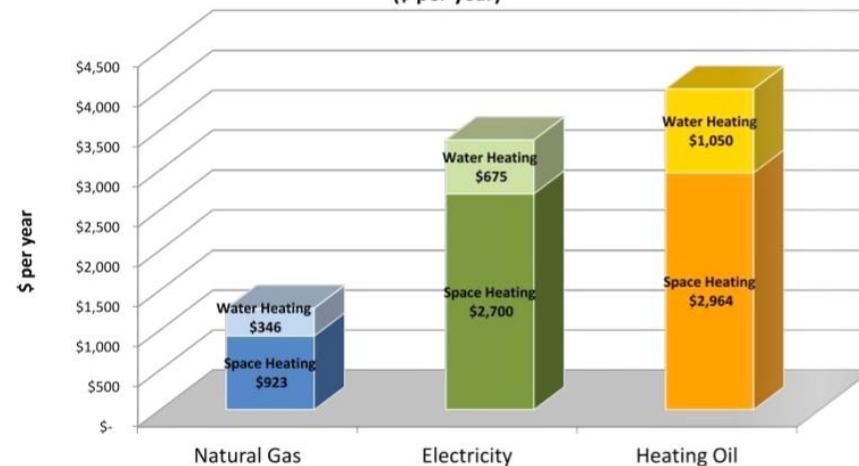
## NATURAL GAS

# WILL BECOME CANADA'S MOST RELIED UPON ENERGY FORM BY 2035

The Canadian Energy Regulator forecasts natural gas will grow from 35 per cent of end-use in 2019 to 38 per cent by 2035. Natural gas will by this time overtake crude oil/refined petroleum products for the first time in Canadian history.

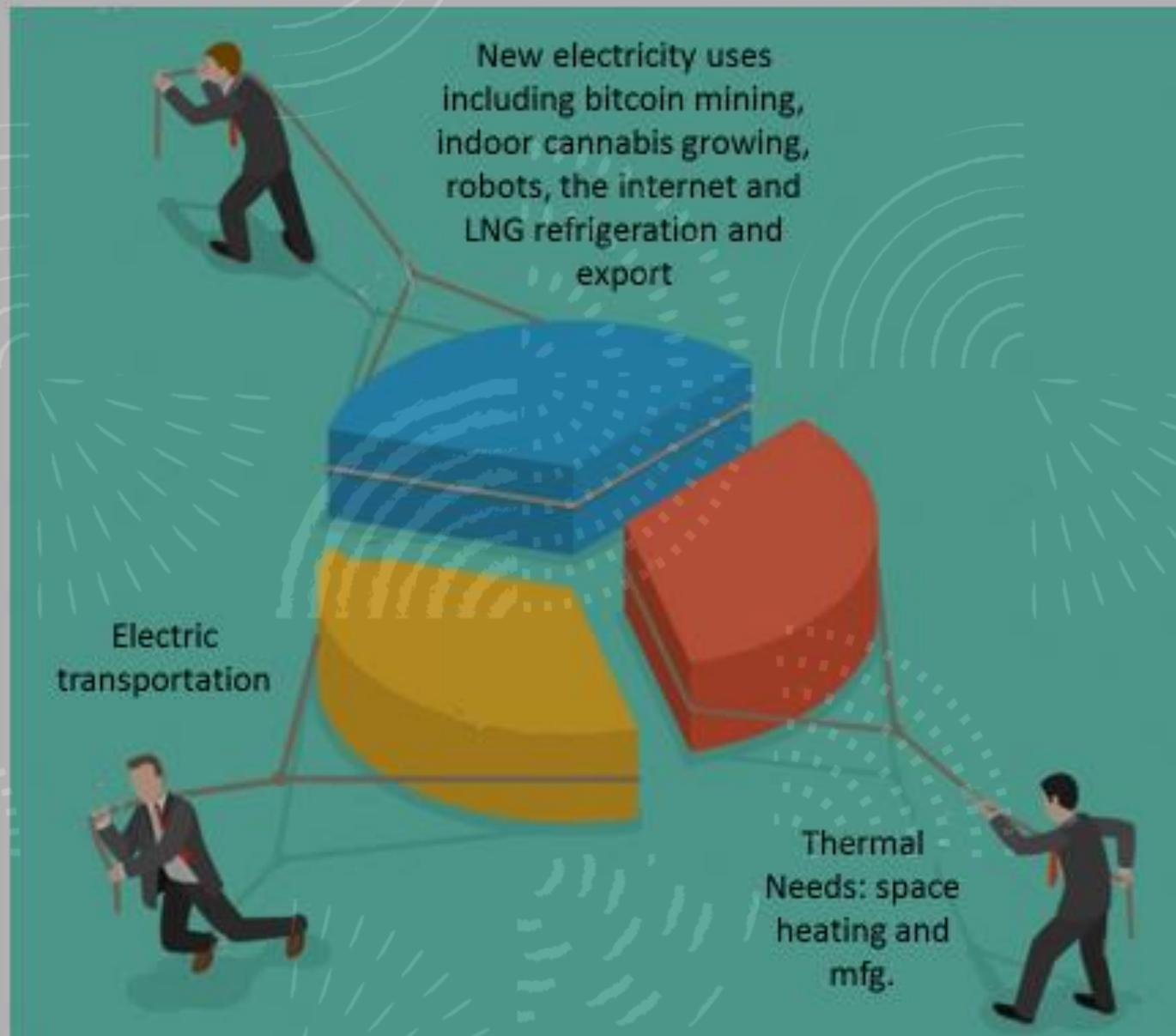
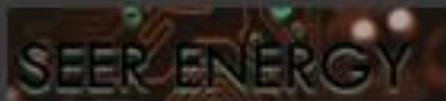
## AFFORDABLE – PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES TO SAVE

Residential Space & Water Heating Cost Comparison - Canada (\$ per year)



Source: Statistics Canada, Hydro Quebec, Canadian Gas Association

# Competing interests for the finite electricity / natural gas / renewable pie



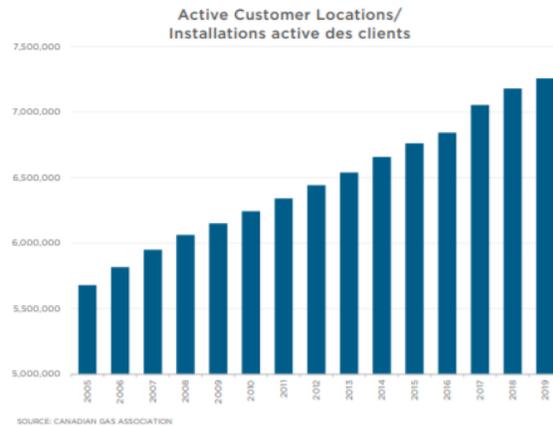
Data centers alone now use 3% of electricity used in the world and growing

## NATURAL GAS CUSTOMER BASE

Customers continue to join the natural gas system.

More than 78,000 new customers joined the natural gas system this past year, in preparation for the 2020-21 winter heating season. This brings the total active natural gas customer base of CGA member companies to just over 7.2 million end-use locations.

Over 6.5 million households in Canada use natural gas as their primary heating source. That is more than electricity, heating oil, or propane.



July 2016

Tight oil companies spend 4 times more than they earn

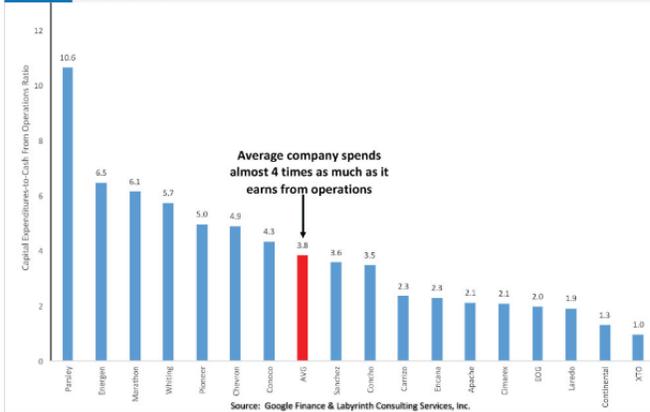
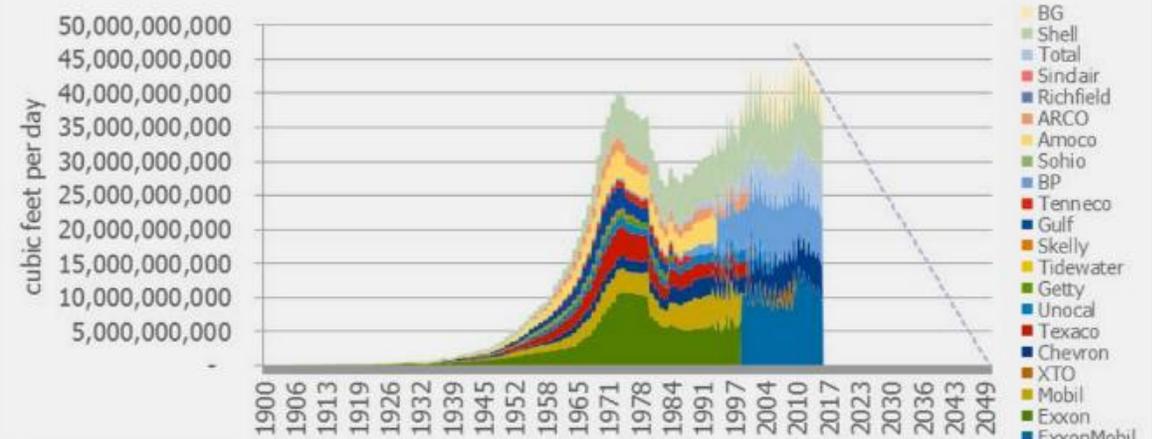


Figure 7. Tight oil companies spend 4 times more than they earn. Source: Google Finance and Labyrinth Consulting Services, Inc.

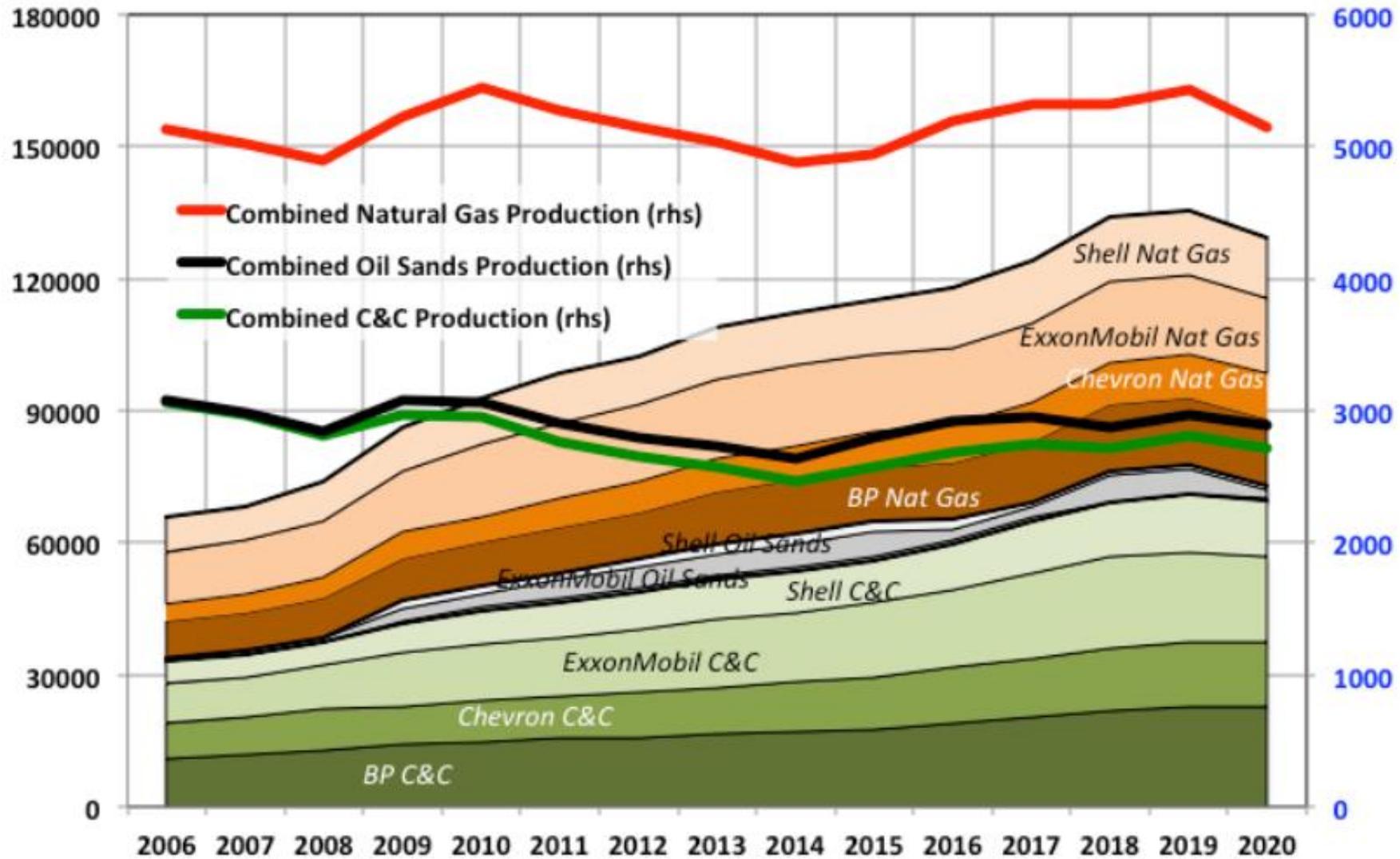


## Supermajor Gas Production

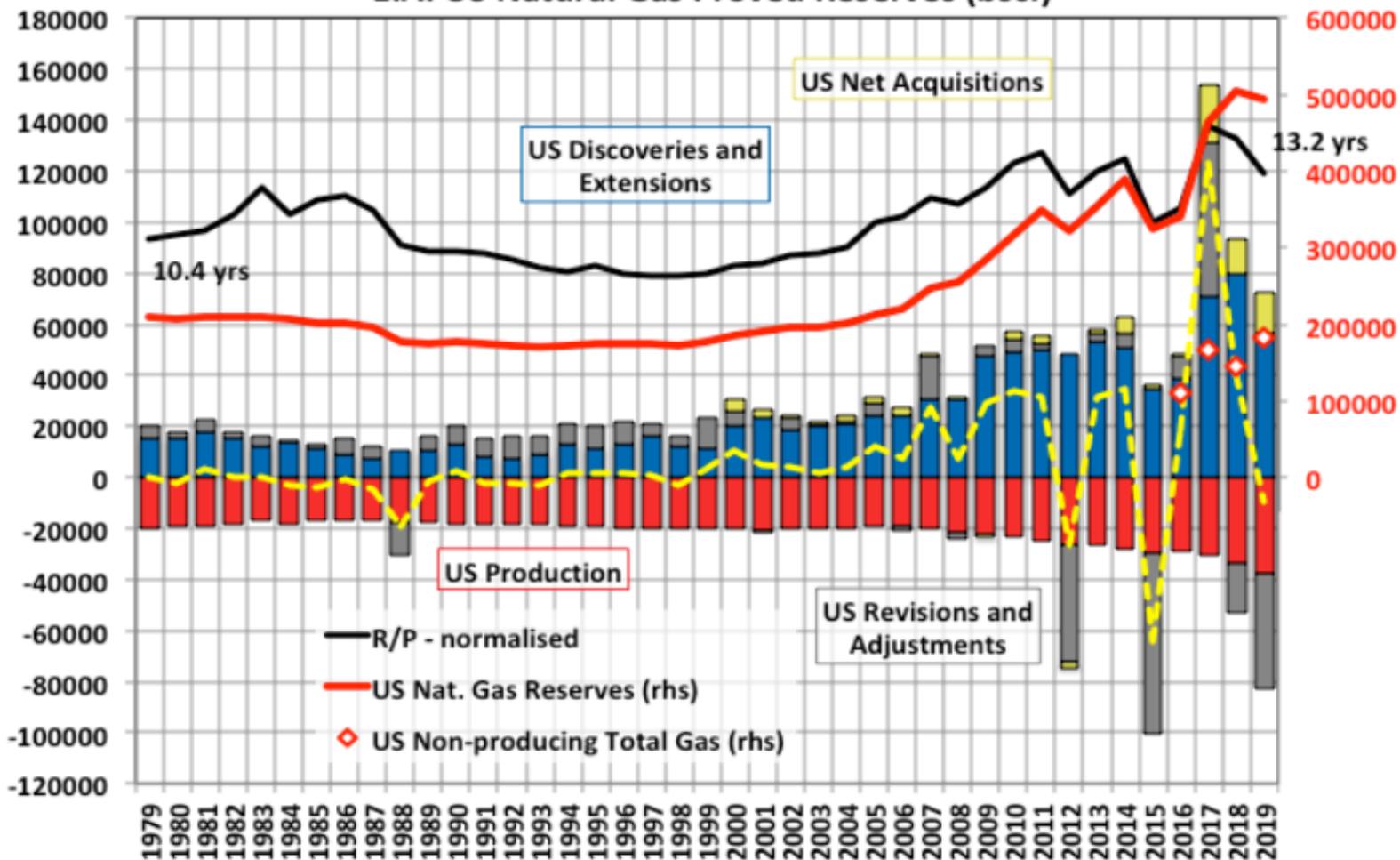
Gas production for the world's supermajor oil companies peaked in 2010



## Super-Majors Cummulative Reserves and Total Production (mmboe)



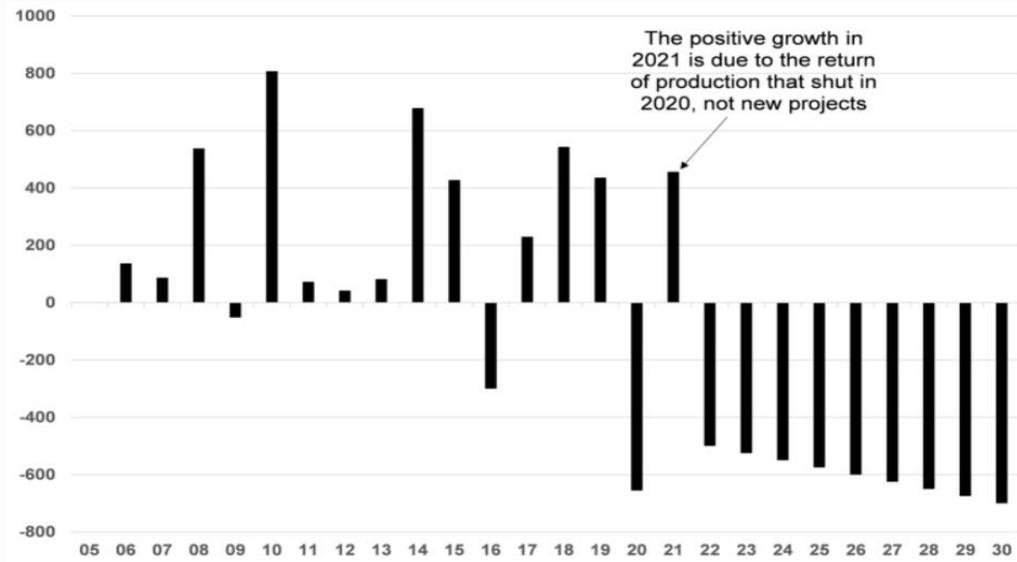
### EIA: US Natural Gas Proved Reserves (bscf)



The R/P (reserves over production) values have been normalized to fit on the left hand scale. Oil was at a maximum in 2013 and natural gas in 2018. Both are have been declining quickly in recent years, which implies production has been maintained at higher levels than the reserve base, however fast it has grown, can support over the long term.

Exhibit 10: Non-OPEC ex US shale production is expected to decline in the coming years

Kb/d year-over-year



Source: Goldmoney Research

Exhibit 11: US production has yet to show any meaningful recovery despite the full price recovery

Kb/d year-over-year



Source: EIA, Goldmoney Research

## Crude Oil vs Natural Gas - 10 Year Daily Chart

This interactive chart compares the price performance of West Texas Intermediate (WTI) or Nymex Crude Oil vs the Henry Hub Natural Gas spot price.

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**Canadian Legislated to be Added Carbon Levy per GJ of Natural Gas:**

**2021 - \$2.02/GJ**

**2026 - \$5.57/GJ**

**2030 - \$8.60/GJ**

# CHP IS A SUSTAINABLE SOLUTION

## EFFICIENCY

- CHP avoids heat and transmission losses, so is far more efficient than the electric grid.
- Conventional electricity and heat production is only 56% efficient, while CHP generation can reach 80-90% system efficiency.

## ENVIRONMENTAL

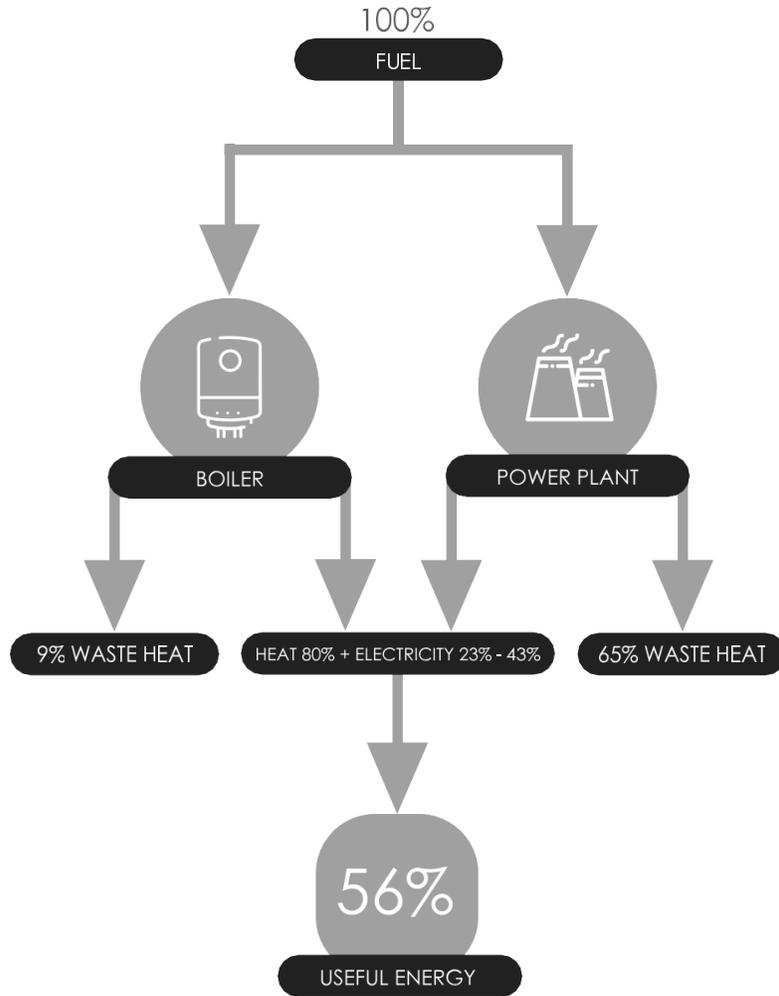
- More efficient energy production reduces air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.
- By recovering 'waste heat,' CHP systems reduce carbon emissions by 15-40% vs. the grid. EPA statistics show a 5MW natural gas CHP system can decrease emissions from 45 kT/yr to 23 kT/yr.



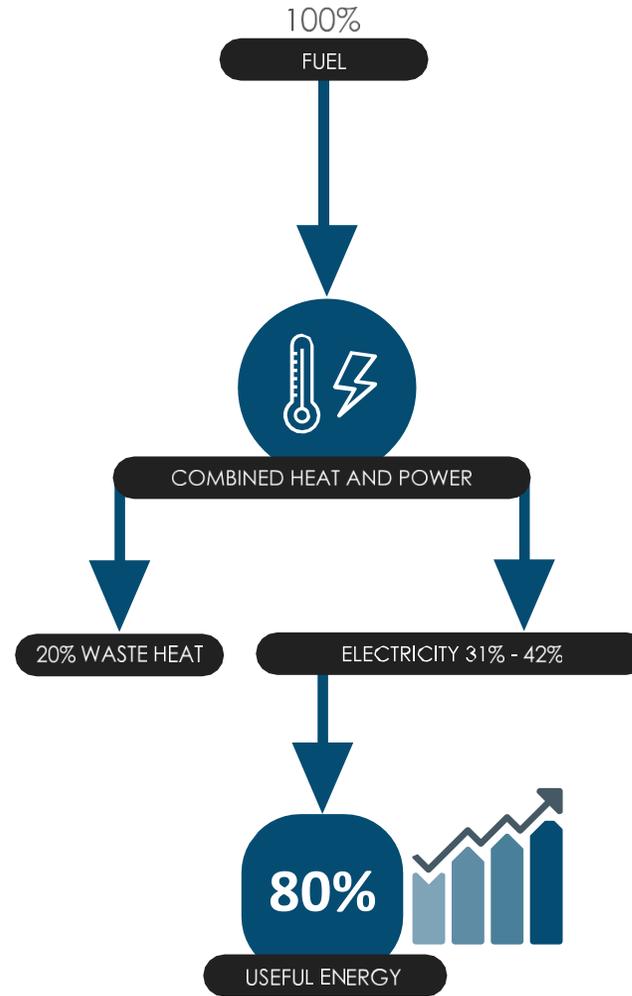
**The EPA and Canada Green Building Council (LEED) promote the use of CHP.**



### CONVENTIONAL POWER GENERATION



### COMBINED HEAT AND POWER



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# SHARE OF GLOBAL Oil Reserves

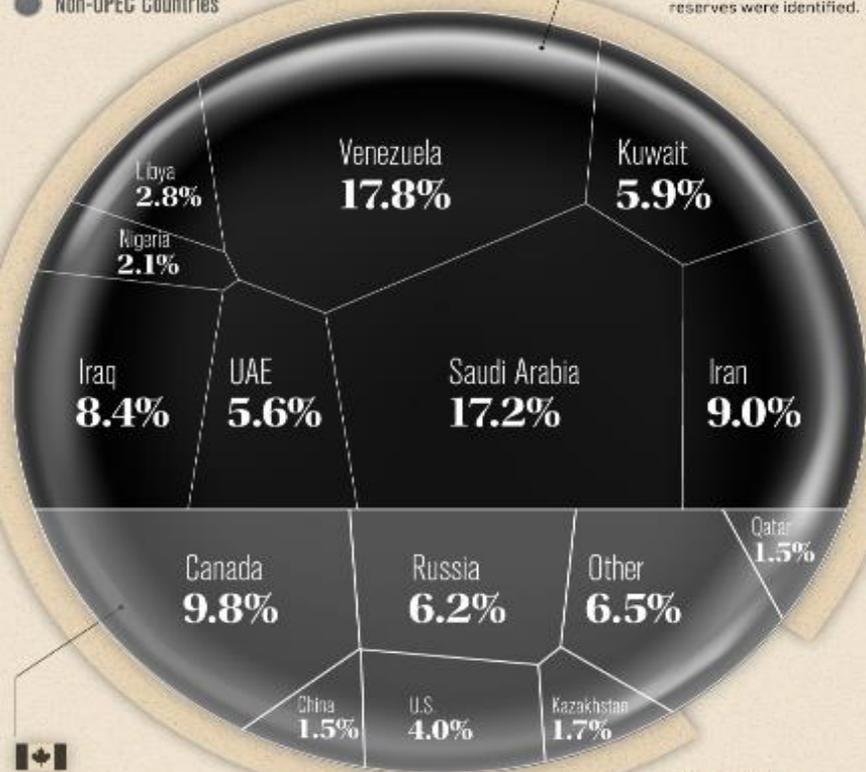
BY COUNTRY

Across the globe, oil remains a key component of the energy mix. Of course, resources aren't distributed equally between countries, and oil is no exception.

Here's how oil reserves are spread between countries:

- OPEC Countries
- Non-OPEC Countries

Between 2005 and 2015, Venezuela jumped from **5th** in the world to **number one** as nearly 200 billion barrels of proven oil reserves were identified.



In 2002, Canada's proven oil reserves jumped from **5 billion to 180 billion barrels** based on new estimates of Oil Sands reserves.

Source: BP Statistical Review of World Energy 2020

**93.5%** of known oil reserves are discovered in these top 14 countries.

# Oil

# THE PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM A BARREL OF CRUDE OIL

A barrel of crude oil (42 gallons) produces just under 45 gallons of refined products, from transportation fuels to essential materials for everyday products.

This graphic uses a barrel of oil to represent the proportions of how the majority of crude oil is processed.



Source: Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP)

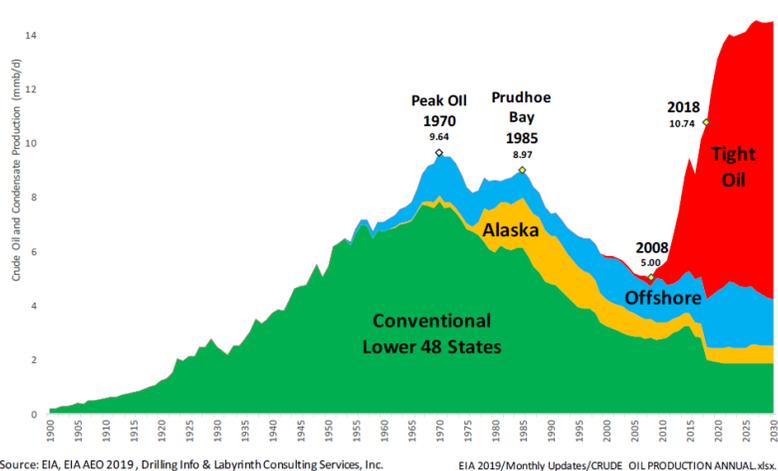
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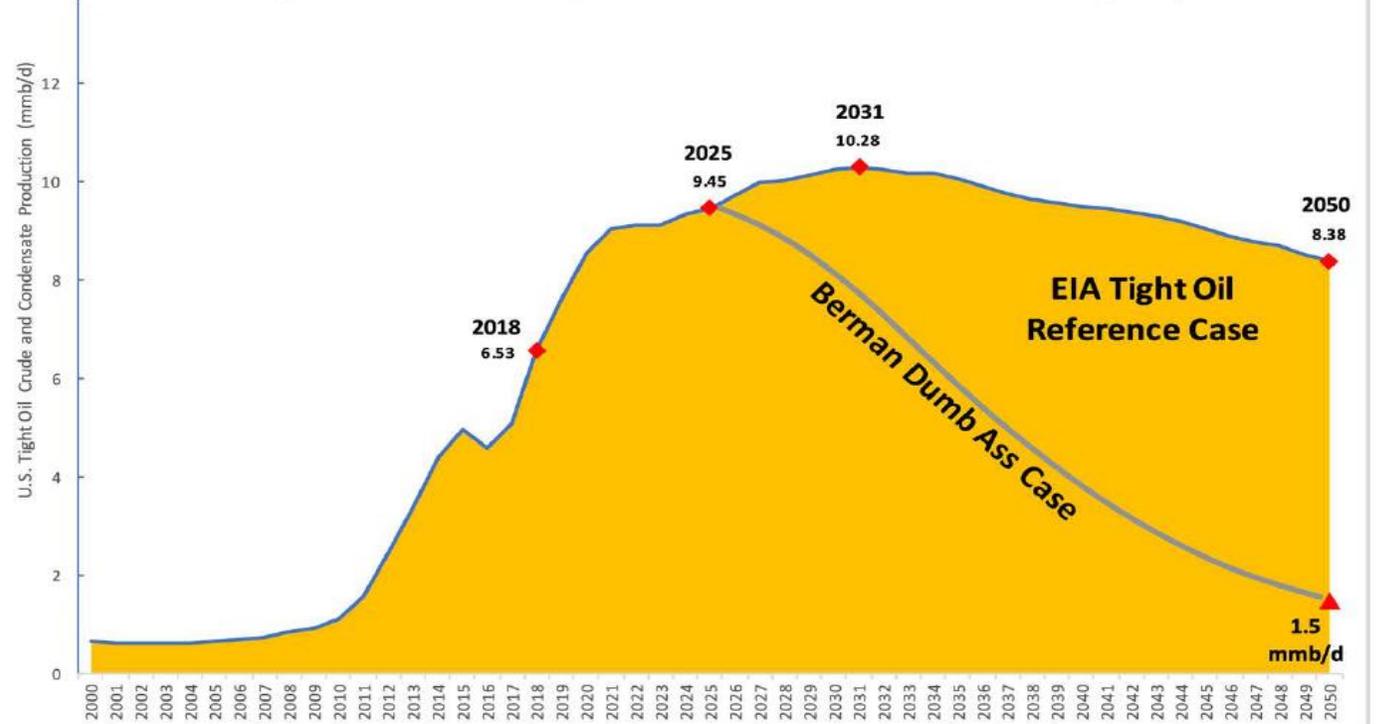
U.S. oil production peaked in 1970 & declined by almost 50% by 2008  
Production surpassed its previous peak in 2017 because of tight oil



Source: EIA, EIA AEO 2019, Drilling Info & Labyrinth Consulting Services, Inc. EIA 2019/Monthly Updates/CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION ANNUAL.xlsx.

Willing Suspension of Disbelief: EIA tight oil reference case peaks at 10.28 mmb/d in 2031 & declines to 8.38 mmb/d by 2050

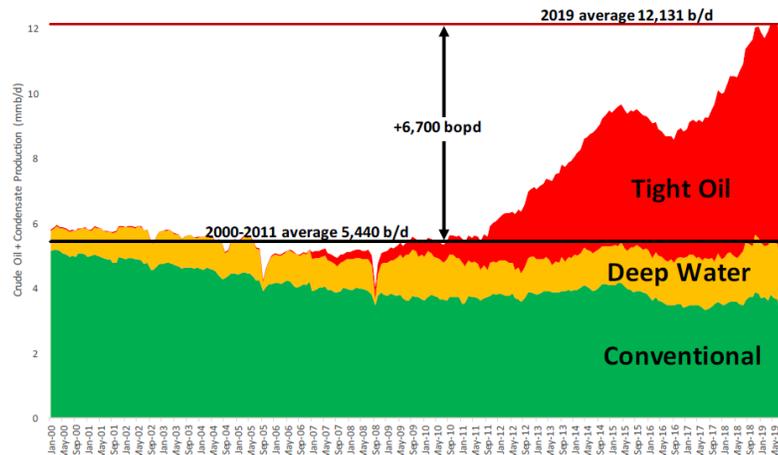
Berman case peaks at 9.45 mmb/d in 2025 and declines to 1.5 mmb/d by 2050



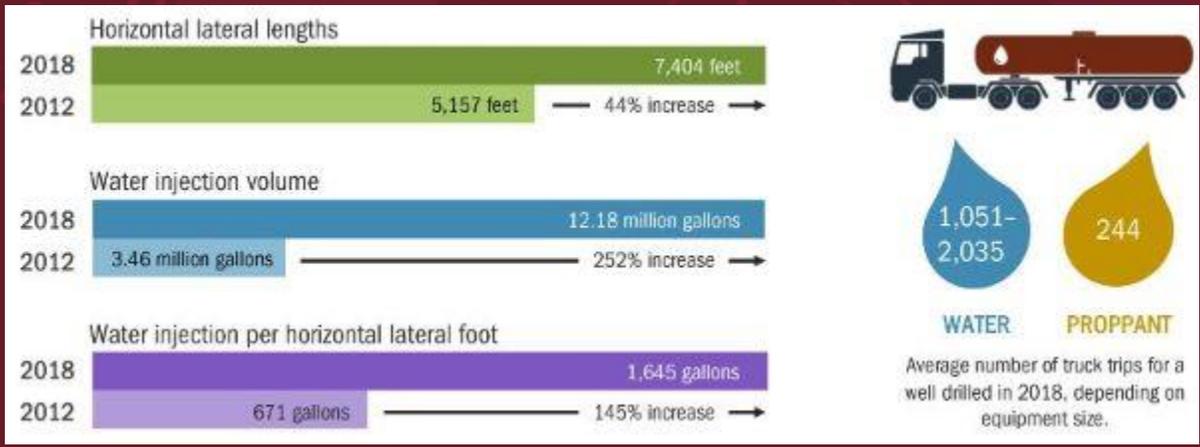
Source: EIA & Labyrinth Consulting Services, Inc.

EIA 2019/AEO 2019/CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION ANNUAL\_FORECAST TO 2030

All increase in U.S. production since 2011 has been tight oil  
55% of U.S. crude + condensate production is from tight oil plays  
14% is from deep water and 31% is from conventional plays



Source: EIA DPR, Drilling Info & Labyrinth Consulting Services, Inc. EIA 2019/DUC-DPR/U.S. UNCONVENTIONAL VS CONVENTIONAL MASTER



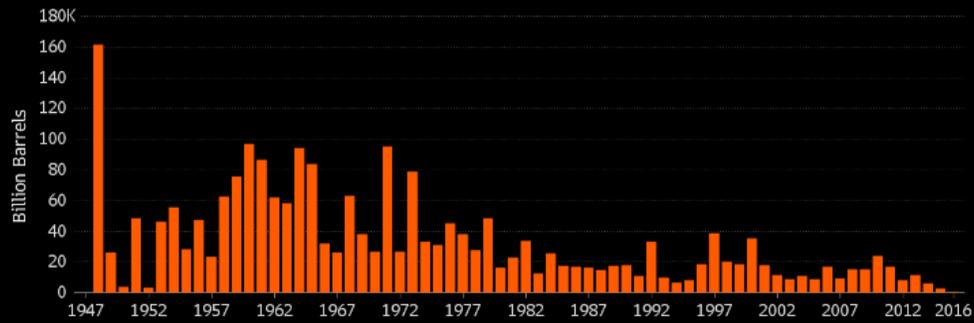
## Top Shale Oil Companies



## Oil Discoveries Lowest Since 1947

Explorers slash spending after price collapse

Conventional Oil Discovered

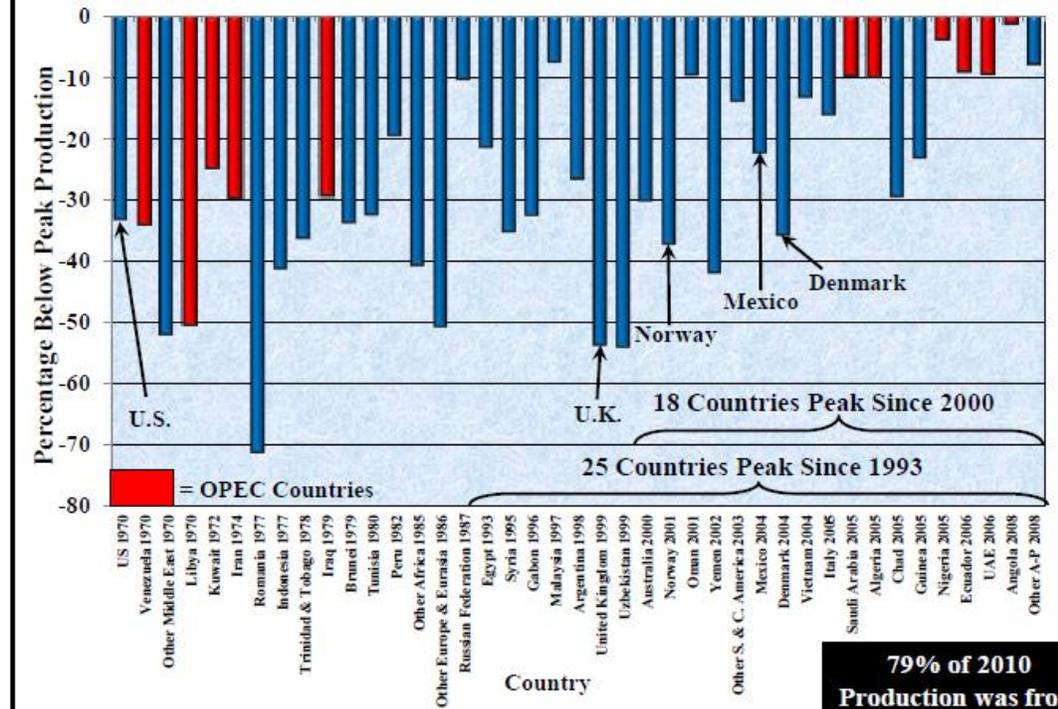


Source: Wood Mackenzie

Note: 2016 figure covers exploration results to August. Discoveries amounted to just 230 million barrels in 1947 but ballooned the following year with the Ghawar find in Saudi Arabia, still the world's biggest field.

Bloomberg

## Year of Peak Production and Percentage 2010 Production is below Peak

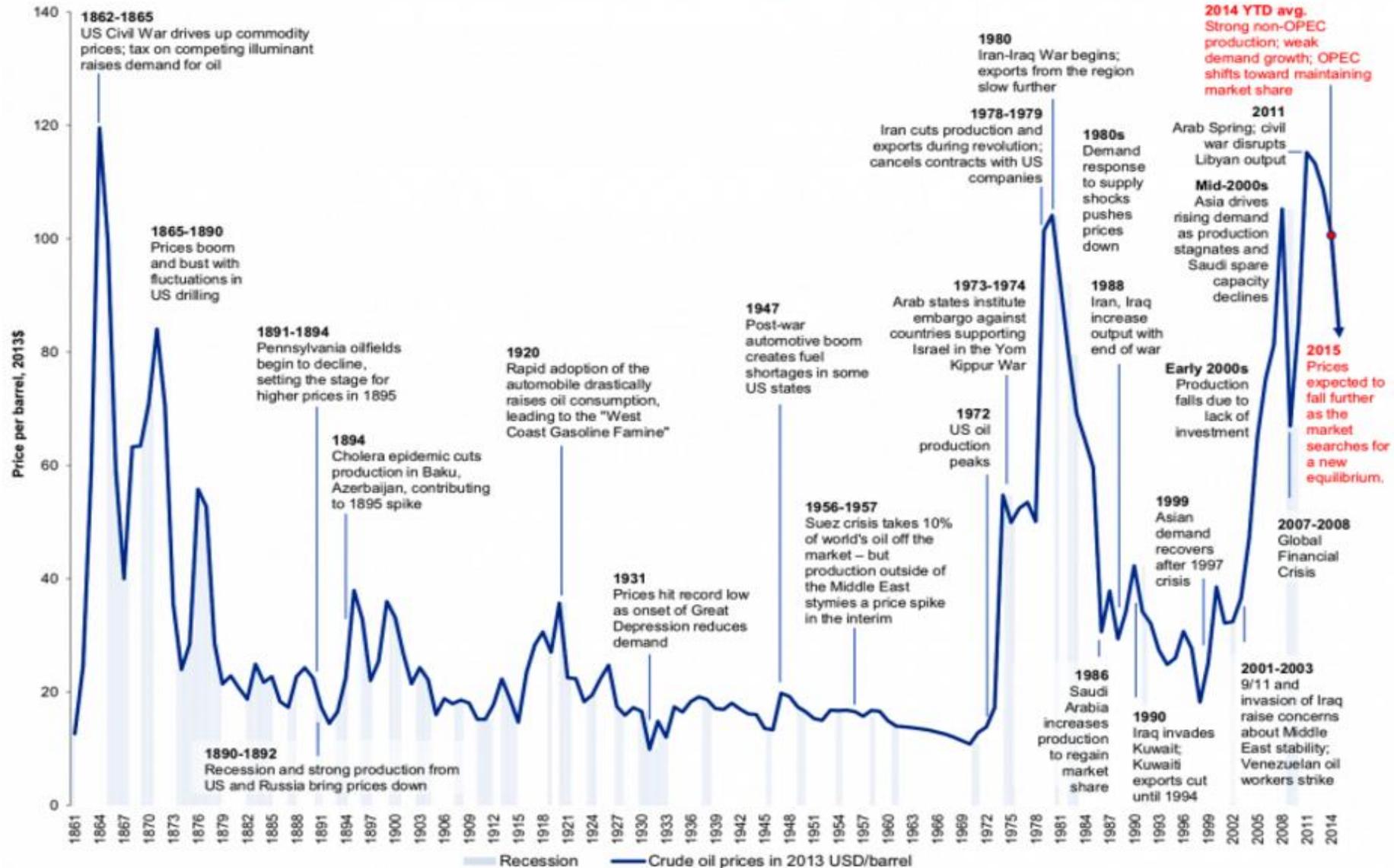


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(data from B.P. Statistical Review of World Energy, 2011)

**79% of 2010  
Production was from  
Countries Past Peak**

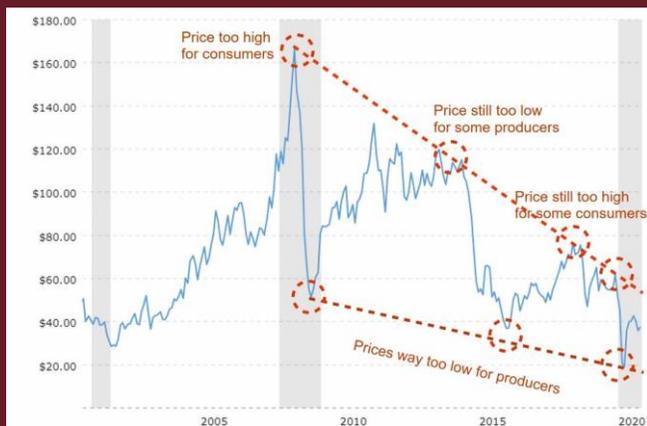
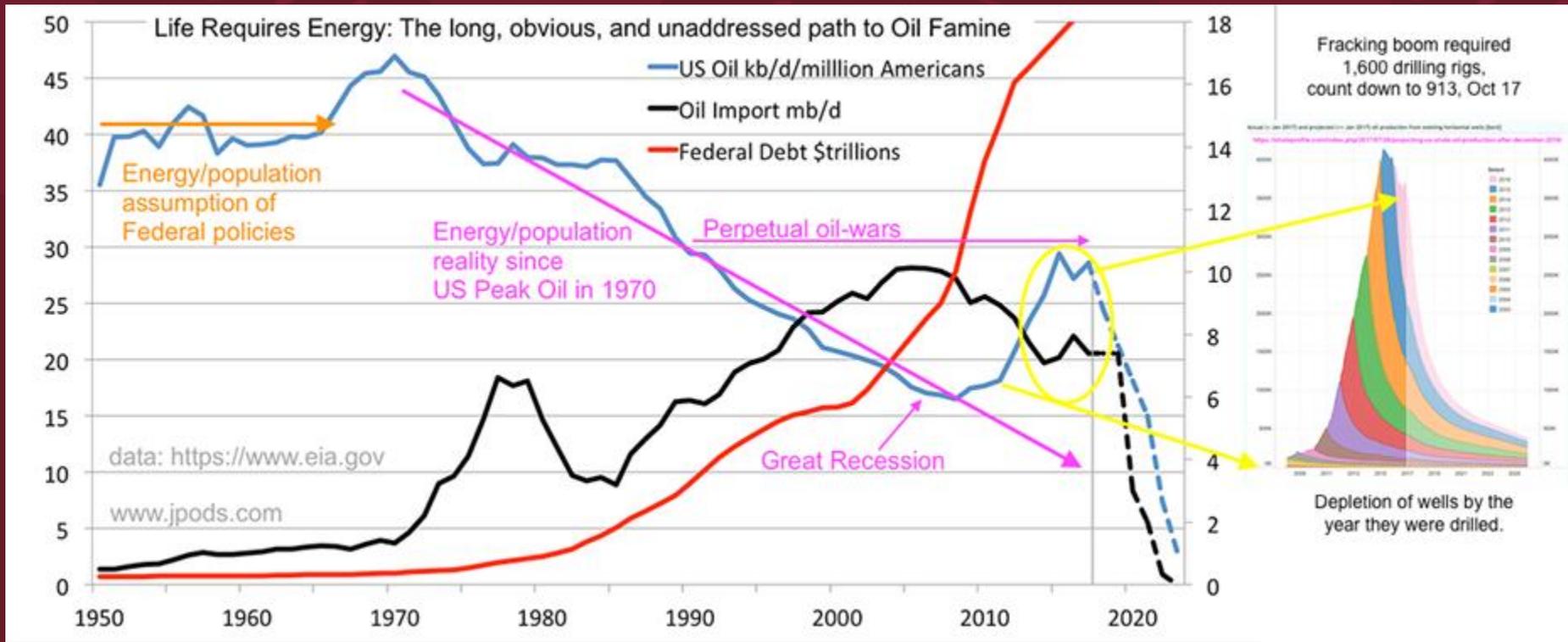
## History of crude oil prices



Note: 2014 YTD average price is as of December 8, 2014.

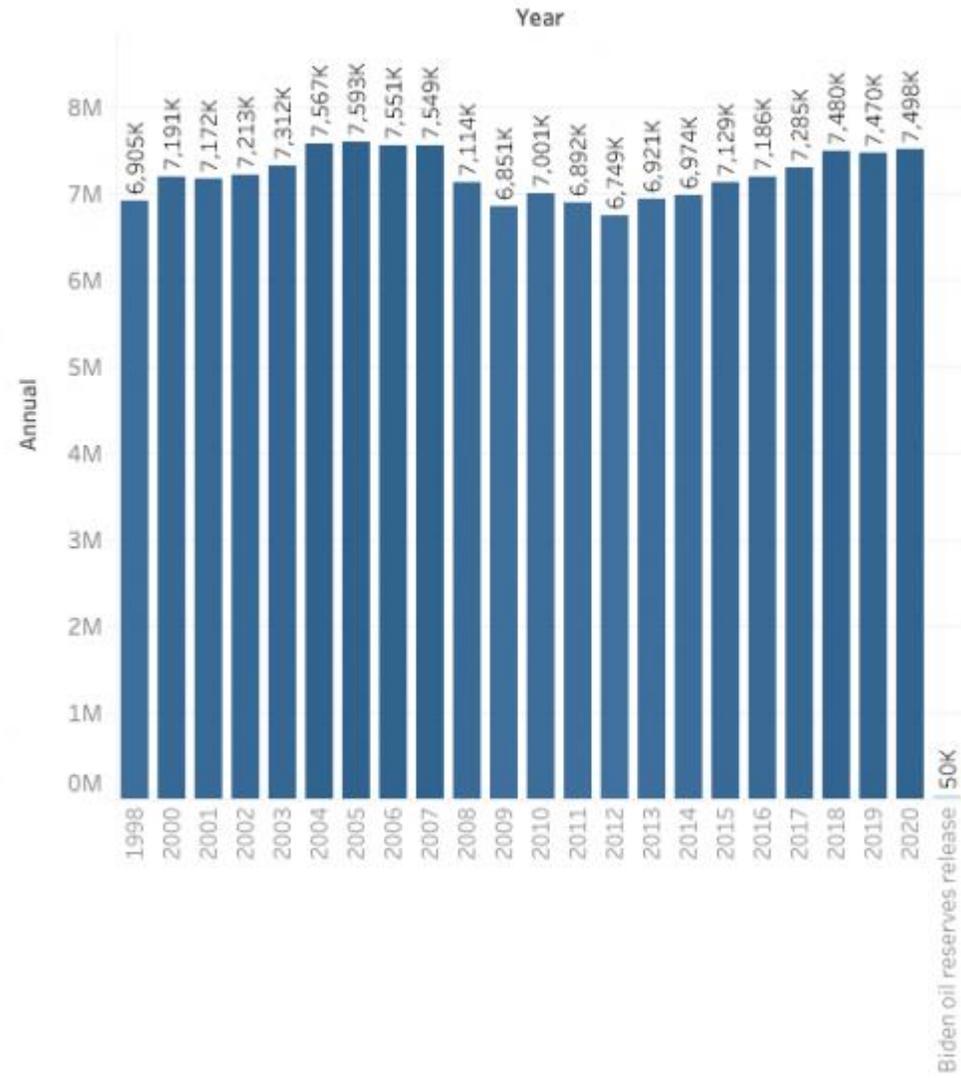
Source for data: BP, NBER/Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

Source for annotations: Hamilton, James, "Historical Oil Shocks," University of California, San Diego; various news sources; Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research.

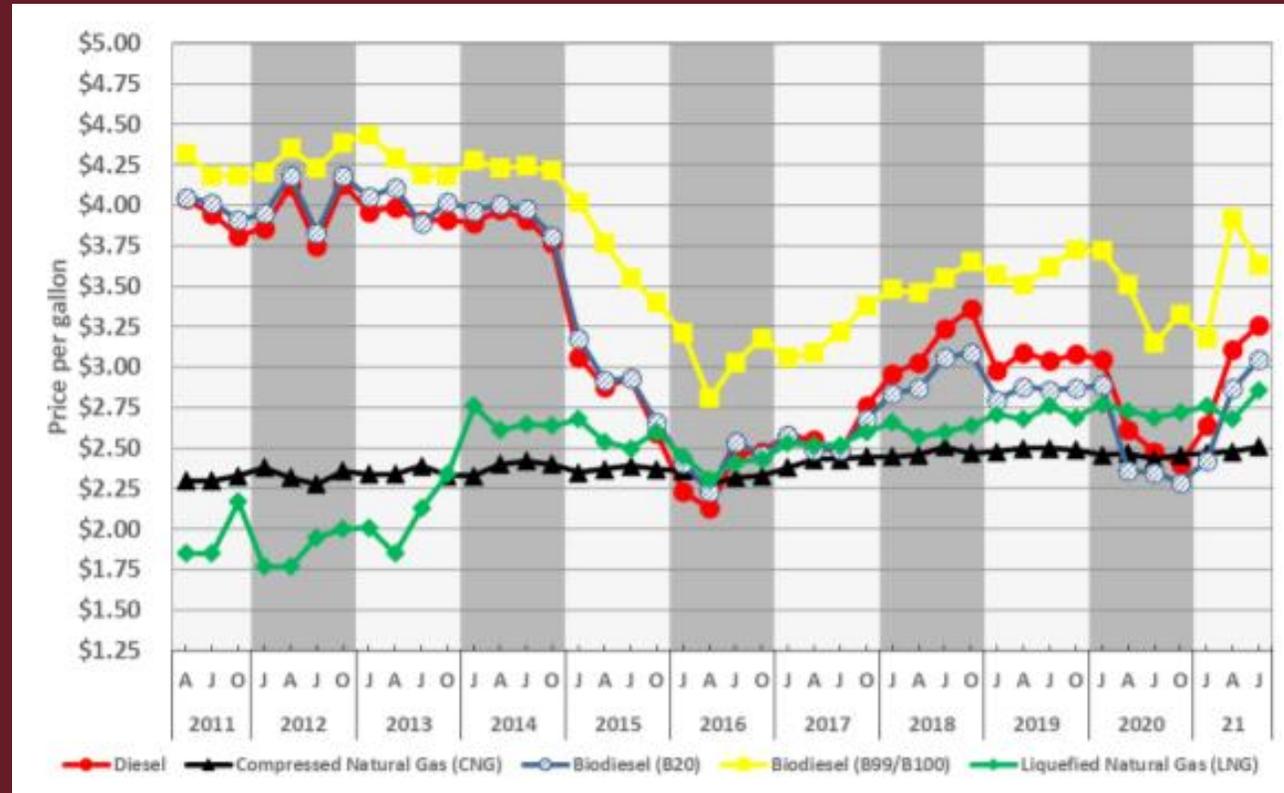




# U.S. Annual Oil Consumption. Num of Barrels in 1000s

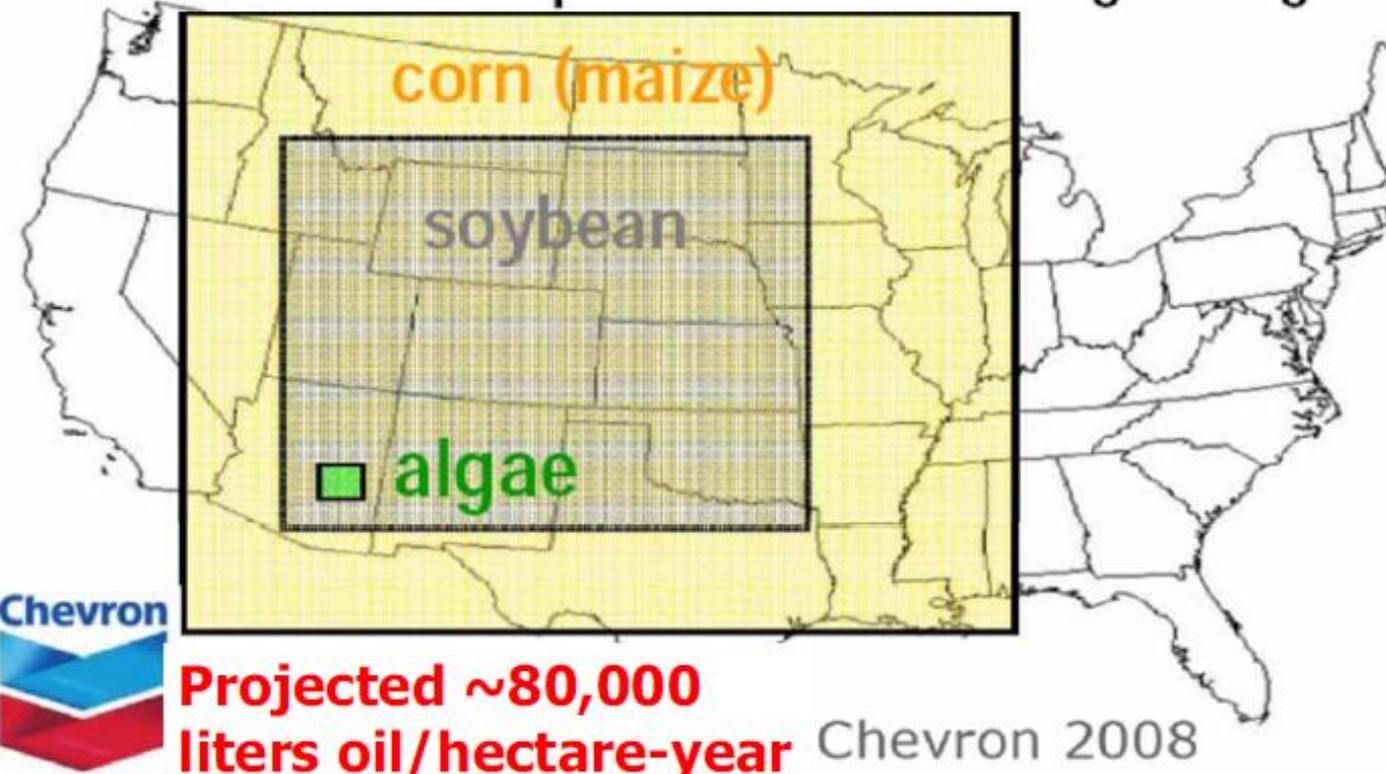


# Transport fuel comparisons



Source: [https://afdc.energy.gov/files/u/publication/alternative\\_fuel\\_price\\_report\\_july\\_2021.pdf](https://afdc.energy.gov/files/u/publication/alternative_fuel_price_report_july_2021.pdf)

WHY THE INTEREST IN MICROALGAE BIOFUELS?  
Thought to have extraordinary productivity potential.  
Example of projection: land area required to replace  
50% of current USA petroleum-diesel usage using



**Projected ~80,000  
liters oil/hectare-year**

Chevron 2008

John Benemann BC Sustainable Energy Webinar June 11 2013 Could Microalgae Fuel ...



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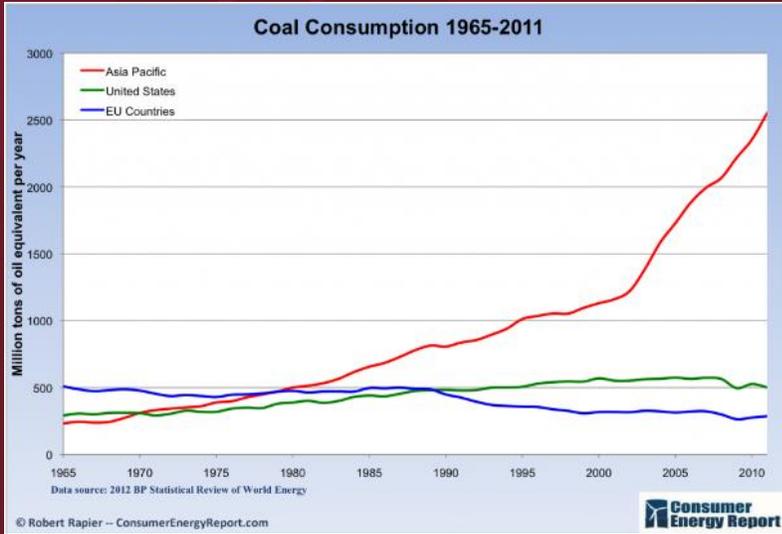
# Algae Greenhouses

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# Coal

Led by the USGS, many others including the EIA the SEC, and even the coal companies themselves are finally starting to come to terms with the fact that a huge chunk of what we've been calling coal *reserves* are actually economically unattractive *resources* which are unlikely to be extracted, given the downward price pressures and production cost increases coal is subject to. In this vein, Arch Coal now says that their Black Thunder mine — the US's single most productive coal mine, once responsible for about 10% of all US coal — is likely to start playing out by 2020. (Arch Coal Inc 2013 10-K, page 15). There are potential leasing tracts nearby, but with operating margins of just \$0.28 per ton in the Powder River Basin, and company-wide losses of more than half a billion dollars a year, will the company really be able to commit the capital required to develop them?



China has more coal fired power plants under construction than the rest of the world combined (power in gigawatts)

#### Coal stations under construction



#### Coal stations in operation

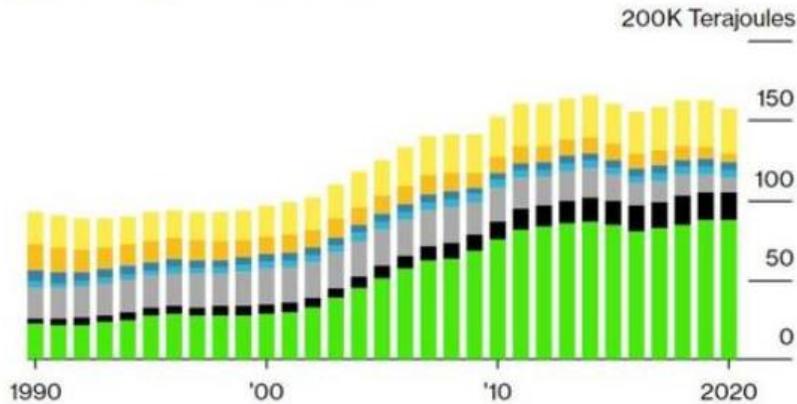


Source: Global Energy Monitor  
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### Coal Consumption

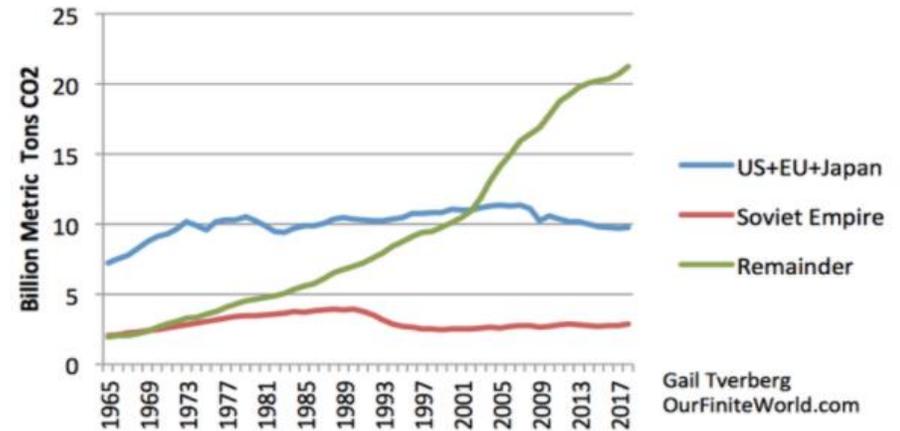
Rises in the East have offset declines in the West

- China
- India
- U.S.
- Japan
- Russia
- EU27
- Rest of the world



Source: IEA

### CO2 Emissions by Part of the World



Gail Tverberg  
OurFiniteWorld.com



# Coal making a global comeback in 2021

[https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/worldwide-energy-shortage-shows-up-surging-coal-gas-oil-prices-kemp-2021-09-24/?taid=614e1b8488b4be000154f6ae&utm\\_campaign=trueAnthem:+Trending+Content&utm\\_medium=trueAnthem&utm\\_source=twitter](https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/worldwide-energy-shortage-shows-up-surging-coal-gas-oil-prices-kemp-2021-09-24/?taid=614e1b8488b4be000154f6ae&utm_campaign=trueAnthem:+Trending+Content&utm_medium=trueAnthem&utm_source=twitter)

[UK fires up coal power plant as gas prices soar](#)

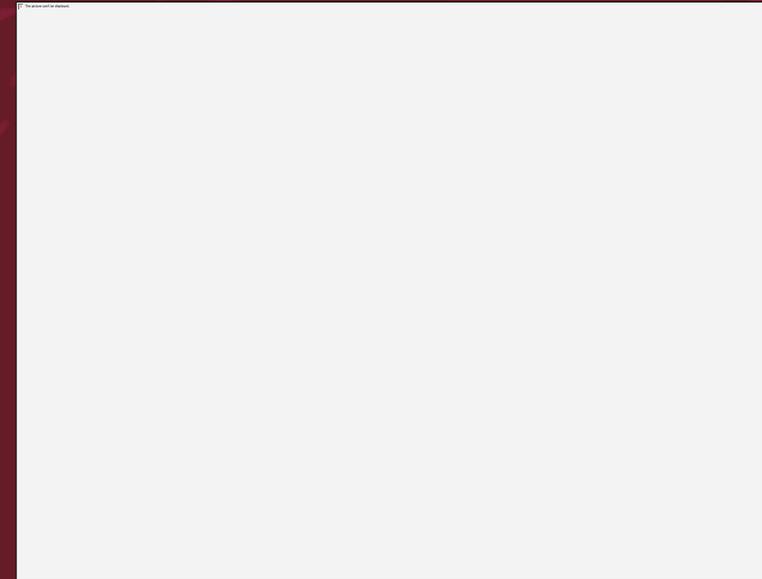
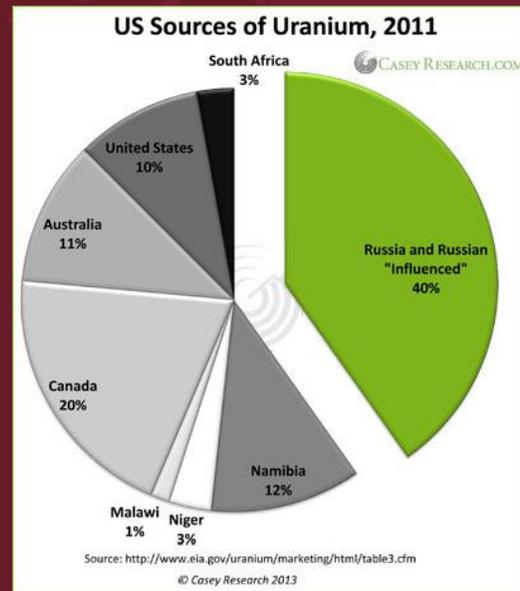
**[While Democrats Try To 'Kill Coal' In US, Asia Heads In The Opposite Direction](#)**

<https://www.zerohedge.com/commodities/chinese-coal-prices-soar-record-high-ahead-surge-coal-production>

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# Nuclear

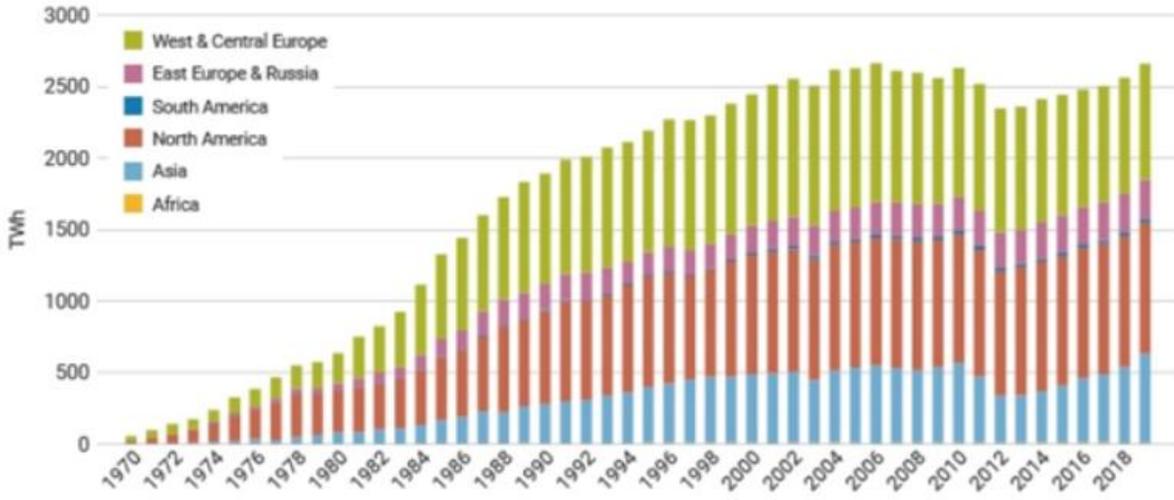




- In 2006, the Energy Watch Group of Germany studied world uranium supplies and issued a report concluding that, in its most optimistic scenario, the peak of world uranium production will be achieved before 2040. If large numbers of new nuclear power plants are constructed to offset the use of coal as an electricity source, then supplies will peak much sooner. Thomas Seltmann, “Nuclear Power: The Beginning of the End,” *Sun & Wind Energy* (Energy Watch Group, November 2009).
- Today, there are some 441 nuclear power reactors operating in 30 countries. These 441 reactors, with combined capacity of over 376 Gigawatts (One GWe equals one billion watts or one thousand megawatts), require 69,000 tonnes of uranium oxide (U3O8).
- According to the World Nuclear Association, about 58 power reactors are currently being constructed in 14 countries. In all there are over 148 power reactors planned and 331 more proposed with Japan intending to shut down its 51 reactors. Each GWe of increased capacity will require about 195 tU per year of extra mine production – three times this for the first fuel load.
- In 2008, mines supplied 51,600 tonnes of uranium oxide concentrate containing 43,853 tU, which means mining supplied roughly 75% of nuclear utility power requirements. The remaining supply deficit used to be made up from stockpiled uranium held by nuclear power utilities, but their stockpiles are pretty much depleted. Mine production is now primarily supplemented by ex-military material - the Megatons to Megawatts program which ends in 2013 - the Russians have stated that the agreement will not be renewed.
- The world only has about 70 years' supply of reactor-grade uranium left at current consumption. New reactors are projected to add an incredible 42% more nuclear power plants within the next decade to 15 years. That means our uranium supply will fall even faster albeit there is hope as we currently do not have the technology to use most of the energy embodied in uranium or to use thorium.
- “If all the world’s electricity was nuclear-generated, the supply of accessible uranium would be exhausted in nine years.” (source Dr. Helen Caldicott, <https://www.helencaldicott.com/>)

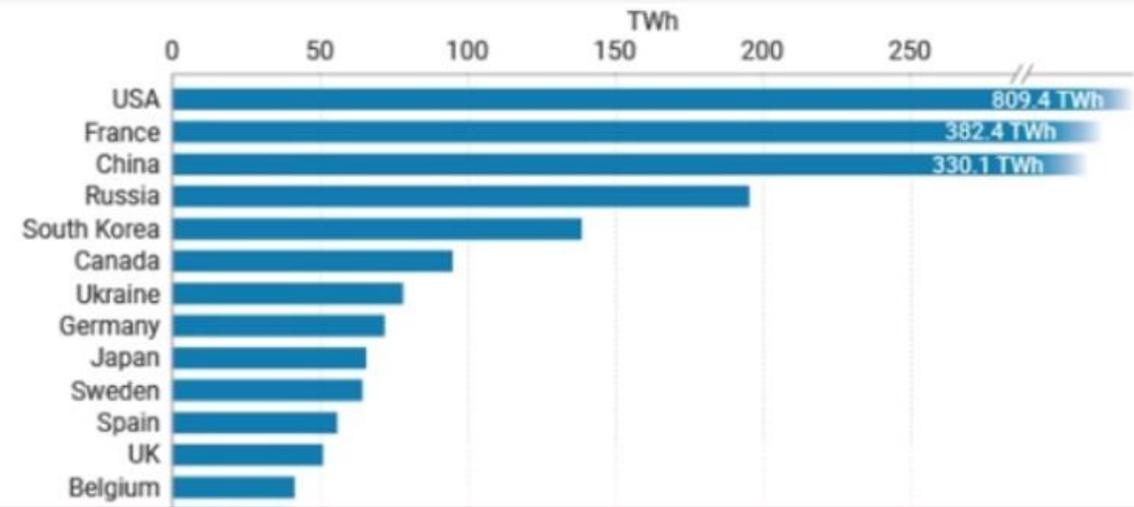
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The world might go increasingly nuclear – but every cubic mile of oil equivalent (CMO – energy used globally annually) of nuclear energy will require 500 new surface uranium mines; 1,000 new underground uranium mines; and 2,280 nuclear reactor operations.



<https://www.zerohedge.com/markets/uranium-soars-after-sprott-massively-upsizes-buying-program-1bn-13bn>

Nuclear electricity production. Source: World Nuclear Association and IAEA Power Reactor Information Service (PRIS)



# Hydro



# Tapped?

Producing one CMO of energy a year from **hydro power** will require the construction of 153 of China's Three Gorges Dams – or one every four months for the next 50 years. But this number of “undammed” rivers do not exist.

## Only a third of world's great rivers remain free flowing, analysis finds

The Guardian

Billions of people rely on rivers for water, food and irrigation, but from the Danube to the Yangtze most large rivers are fragmented and degraded. Untouched rivers are largely confined to remote places such as the Arctic and Amazonia. The assessment, the first to tackle the subject on a worldwide level, examined 12m kilometres of rivers and found that **just 90 of the 246 rivers more than 1,000km (621 miles) long flowed without interruption.** [Click here to continue reading](#)

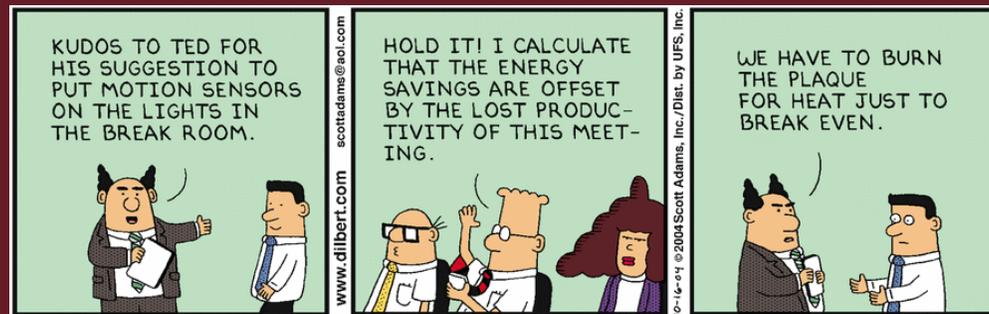
## European rivers are littered with barricades, but a movement grows to remove them National Geographic

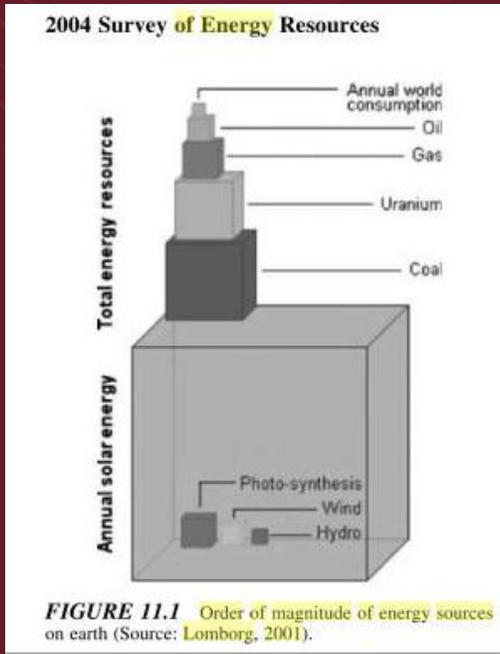
In a four-year study spanning 36 European countries, scientists surveyed almost 1,700 miles of river by foot—and found at least 1.2 million obstacles preventing European rivers from flowing freely. **That's more than one barrier for every mile of river (or 0.74 barriers per kilometer).**

# Hydro-electric output dropped 14% in 2021 due to lack of moisture

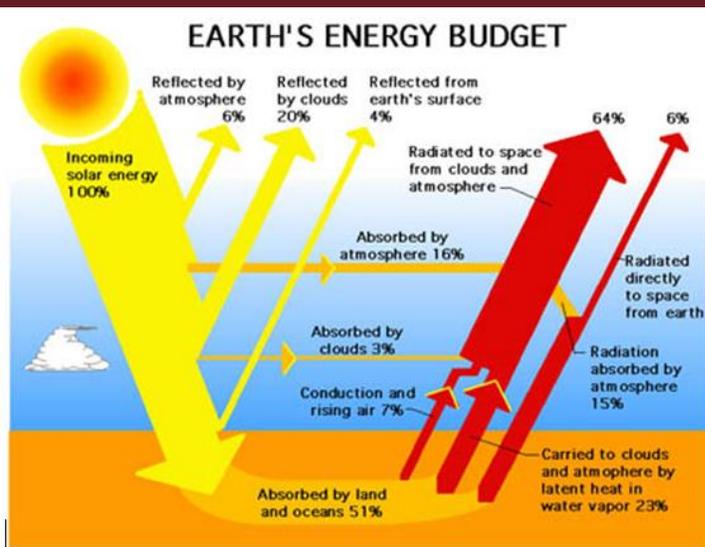
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# Renewables





“All of life, including human life in all of its manifestations, runs principally on contemporary sunlight that enters the top of our atmosphere at approximately 1.4 kilowatts per square meter (5.04 MJ per square meter per hour). Roughly half that amount reaches the Earth’s surface. This sunlight does the enormous amount of work that is necessary for all life. The principal work that this sunlight does on the Earth’s surface is to evaporate water from that surface (evaporation) or from plant tissues (transpiration) which in turn generates elevated water that falls back on the Earth’s surface as rain, especially at higher elevations. The rain in turn generates rivers, lakes, and estuaries and provides water that nurtures plants, animals, and civilizations. Differential heating of the Earth’s surface generates winds that cycle the evaporated water around the world, and sunlight of course maintains habitable temperatures and is the basis for photosynthesis in both natural and human-dominated ecosystems. These basic resources have barely changed since the evolution of humans (except for the impacts of the ice ages) so that preindustrial humans were essentially dependent upon a constant **although limited resource base**. Over time humans increased their ability to exploit larger parts of that natural solar energy flow through technology, initially with spear points, knives, and axes that could concentrate human muscular energy, and then with agriculture and dams, and now with fossil fuels. The development of agriculture allowed the redirection of photosynthetic energy captured on the land from the many diverse species in a natural ecosystem to the few species of plants (called cultivars) that humans can and wish to eat, or to the grazing animals that humans controlled. Curiously the massive increase in food production per unit of land brought on by agriculture did not, over the long run, increase average human nutrition but mostly just increased the numbers of people.”



# What's It Gonna Take?

- Producing one CMO of electricity from **wind** will require three million two-megawatt wind turbines. These turbines would occupy 580,000 acres of combined space.
- “On a percentage basis, renewables take the gold for growth recently with an impressive rate of 13% per year since 2010. But from an absolute perspective the news is more sobering: systems like wind, solar and biomass are not taking market share away fast enough to make a difference to disconcerting metrics like carbon intensity. **Because coal and natural gas are also growing at a good clip, on massively higher volumes, the share of renewables in the world's energy diet (currently 1.4%) is increasing by 0.1% per year. That means that unless something changes, under current conditions it's going to take 1,000 years to put the fossil fuel industry to bed!** Arc Financial July 2, 2013

	abundance	difficulty	intermittency	demonstrated	electricity	heat	transport	acceptance	backyard?	efficiency	Score
Solar PV						via electric	via electric				5
Solar Thermal			some storage				via electric				5
Solar Heating			some storage								4
Hydroelectric			seasonal flow			via electric	via electric	not universal	micro-hydro		4
Biofuel/Algae		gunk/disease		some R&D	mis-spent				small scale?		4
Geothermal/Electricity	hotspots						via electric				4
Wind						via electric	via electric	noise, birds, eyesore			3
Artificial Photosynth.		catalysts		active devel.	mis-spent				?		3
Tidal			daily/monthly variations			via electric	via electric				3
Conventional Fission		high-tech					via electric	waste/fear			2
Uranium Breeder		high-tech		military			via electric	proliferation			2
Thorium Breeder		high-tech					via electric	waste/fear			2
Geothermal/Depletion		deep drill		rarely?				deep wells	impractical		2
Geothermal/Heating		deep drill		rarely?				deep wells	impractical		1
Biofuel/Crops	food cellulosic	annual harvest	seasonal	ethanol, etc. R&D effort	mis-spent			food/land competition	small bears		1
OceanThermal		access/ maintenance				via electric	via electric				1
Ocean Current		access/ maintenance				via electric	via electric				1
Ocean Waves			storms/tulls	many one-off designs		via electric	via electric	eyesore			1
D-T Fusion	lithium	future-tech					via electric	trit/neutron contamination			1
D-D Fusion		farther future					via electric				1

Yellow boxes tend to deserve explanation. It is usually clear why something would swing red or green, but yellow often has several things tugging at it. If green boxes are given a +1 score, yellow boxes zero, and red boxes -1, adding the boxes with equal weight yields the scores on the right, by which measure the table is sorted: best to worst. The only place I cheated was to give D-D fusion a -2 for difficulty. It's the hardest thing on the list, given our decades of massive effort invested to date on D-T fusion, while D-D is too hard to even attempt.

# U.S. primary renewable energy consumption by source and sector, 2019

Quadrillion British thermal units (Btu)

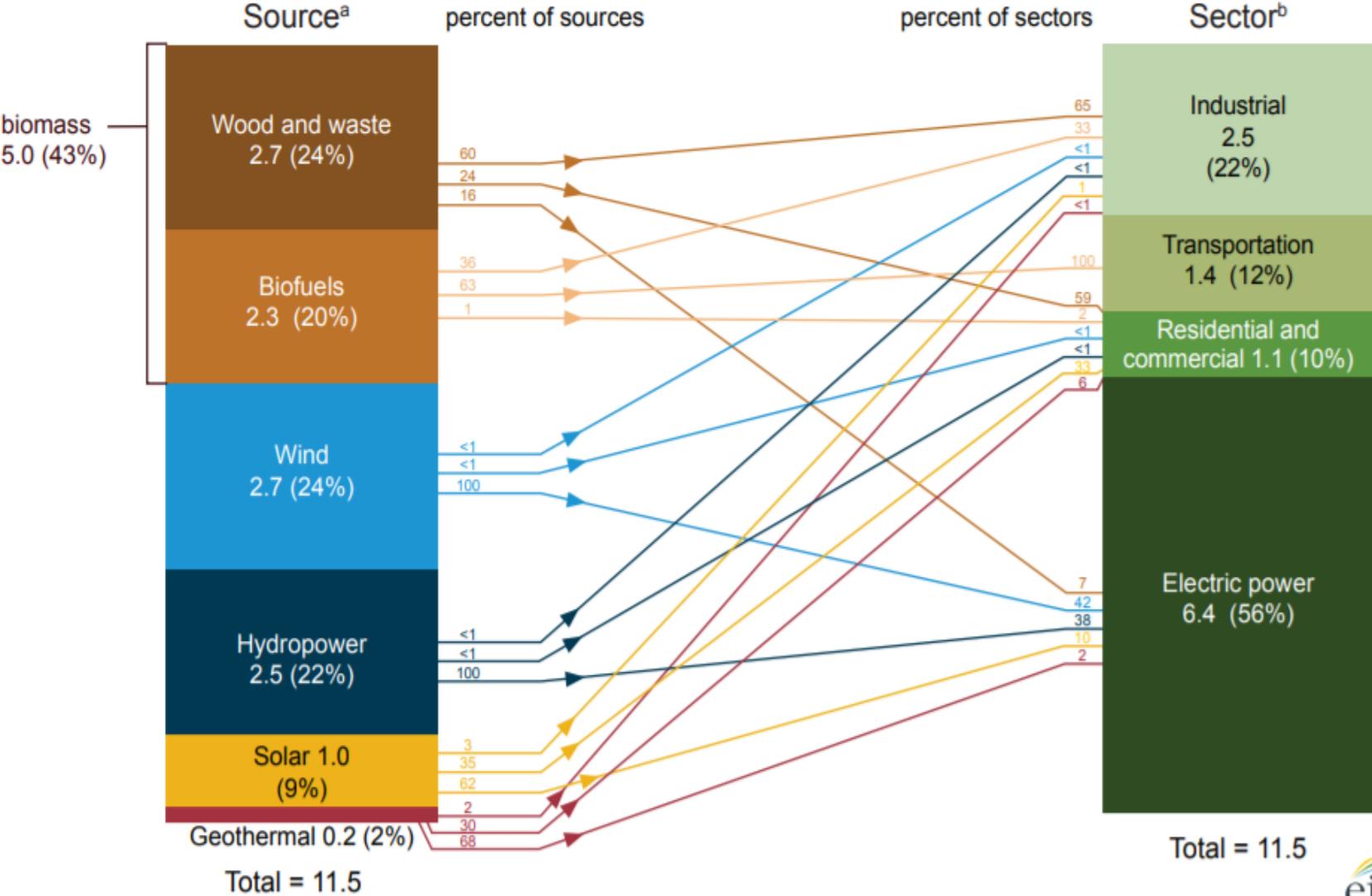
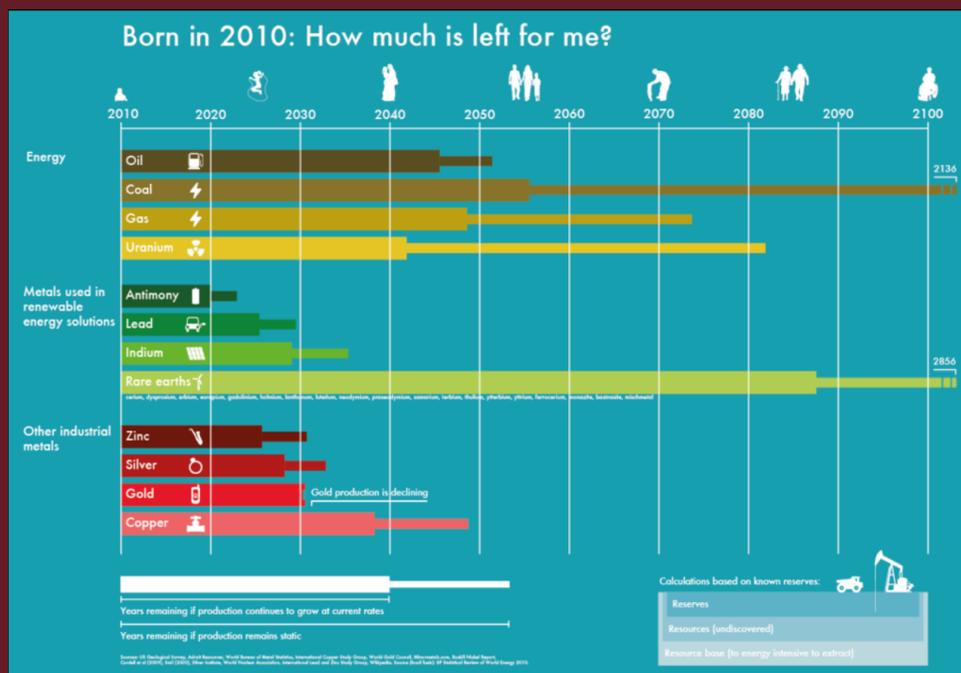
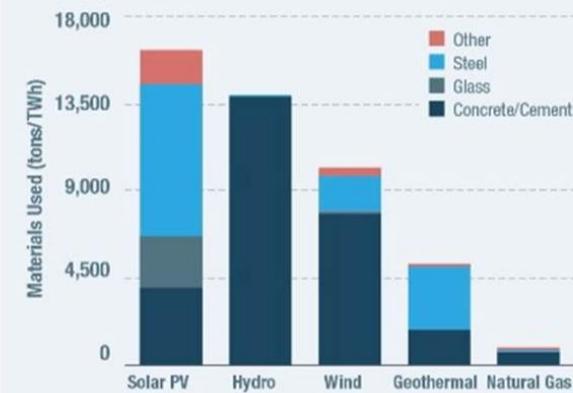


Table 1: Sectoral Shares of Renewable Energy in Recent Global Scenarios

Scenario	By Year	Electricity	Heat	Transport
<b>By 2030–2040</b>				
ExxonMobil <i>Outlook for Energy: A View to 2040</i> (2012)	2040	16%	—	—
BP <i>Energy Outlook 2030</i> (2012)	2030	25%	—	7%
IEA <i>World Energy Outlook</i> (2012) "New Policies"	2035	31%	14%	6%
IEA <i>World Energy Outlook</i> (2012) "450"	2035	48%	19%	14%
Greenpeace (2012) <i>Energy [R]evolution</i>	2030	61%	51%	17%
<b>By 2050</b>				
IEA <i>Energy Technology Perspectives</i> (2012) "2DS"	2050	57%	—	39%
GEA <i>Global Energy Assessment</i> (2012)	2050	62%	—	30%
IEA <i>Energy Technology Perspectives</i> (2012) "2DS High Renewables"	2050	71%	—	—
Greenpeace (2012) <i>Energy [R]evolution</i>	2050	94%	91%	72%
WWF (2011) <i>Ecofys Energy Scenario</i>	2050	100%	85%	100%



Materials Requirements to Build Different Energy Machines



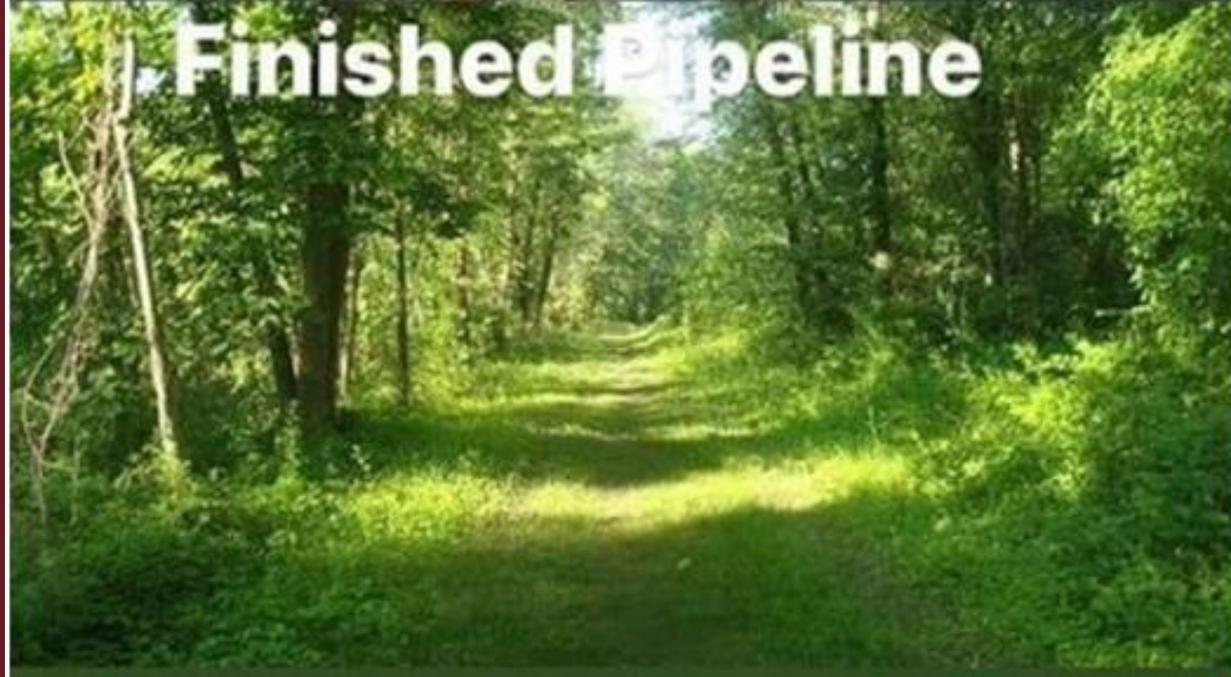
Source: U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), "Quadrennial Technology Review: An Assessment of Energy Technologies and Research Opportunities," September 2015, p. 390  
 Chart: Manhattan Institute

Materials required to build solar PV, hydro, wind, geothermal and natural gas machinery. Source: Manhattan Institute

**Lithium mining plant**



**Finished Pipeline**





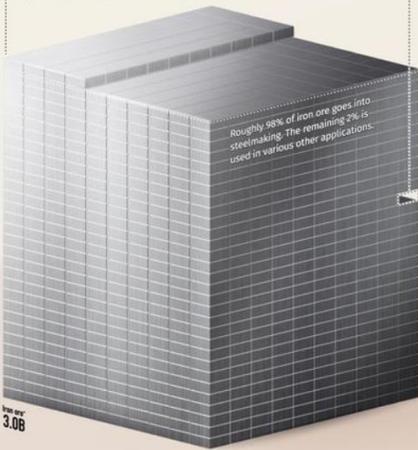
# All the Metals We Mined

## IN ONE CHART

**Iron ore**  
3,040,000,000 tonnes

Iron ore made up roughly 94% of the 3.2 billion tonnes of metals mined in 2019.

= 1,000,000 tonnes



### Industrial metals

207,478,486 tonnes

- Aluminum is the world's second-most used metal after iron, found in everything from electronic devices to aircraft parts.
- Copper production is one-third that of aluminum, though it has several uses ranging from wiring to construction.
- Manganese is mainly used in iron and steel manufacturing and is a key ingredient in lithium-ion batteries.
- Chromium enhances the hardenability and corrosion resistance of stainless steel.



### Tech and precious metals

1,335,848 tonnes

- Niobium is a rare metal used in superalloys for jet and rocket engines.
- Lithium and cobalt are critical ingredients of lithium-ion batteries for electric vehicles.
- Indium is used to make indium tin oxide, an important part of touch screens, TVs, and solar panels.



**Total Metals** 3,248,814,334 tonnes

Metals are the building blocks of the global economy. From iron ore to rare earths, here are all the metals we mined in 2019.



**Metals vs. Ores**  
Ores are naturally occurring rocks that contain metals or metal compounds. Metals are the valuable parts of ores that can be extracted and sold.

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The Earth's natural resources power our everyday lives. VC Elements breaks down the building blocks of the universe.

Source: British Geological Survey (2019), USGS Mineral Commodity Summaries (2019)

\*Ore production does not reflect actual metal production as metals only make up a certain portion of ores. Graphic excludes semi-metals and metalloids. Hafnium is contained in Zircon.

We live in a material world.

# Riding the Electric Wave

## Copper in a Renewables Powered Future

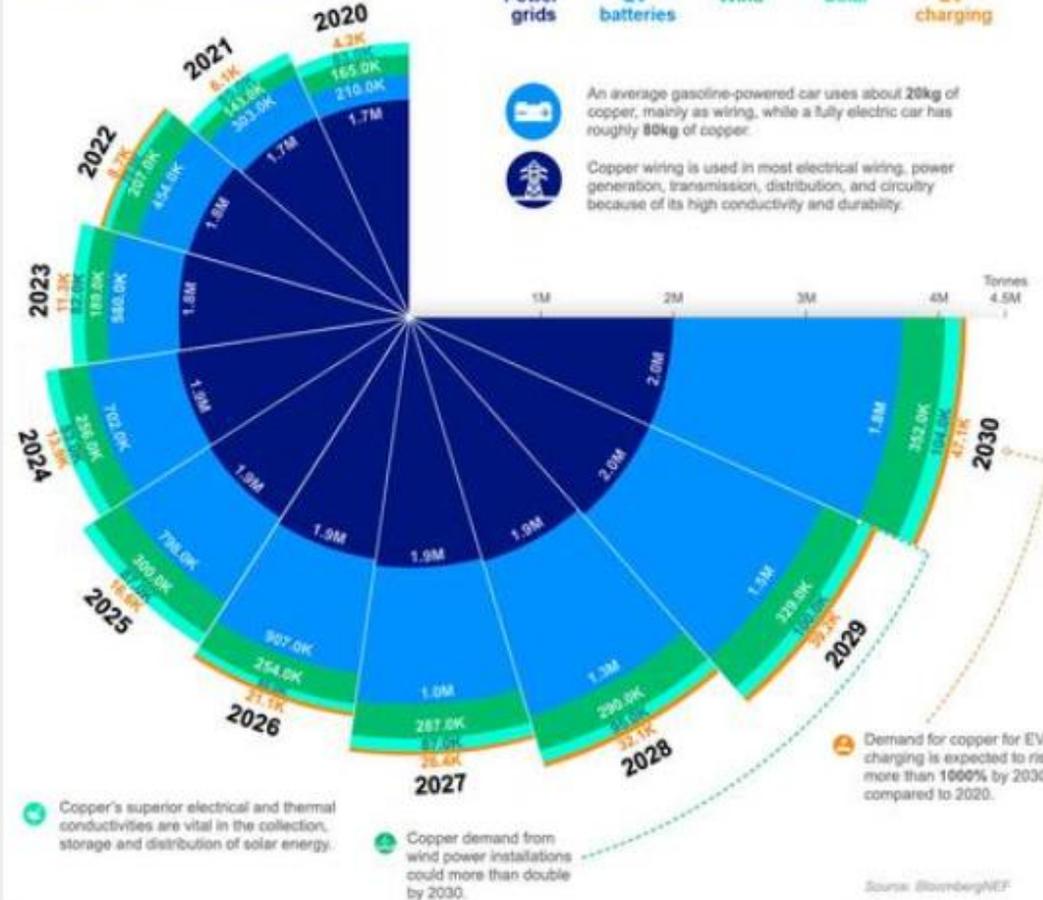
Global copper demand for alternative energy sources is expected to jump from 2.1M tonnes in 2020 to 4.3M tonnes in 2030.

### The Essential Metal for the Energy Transition



An average gasoline-powered car uses about 20kg of copper, mainly as wiring, while a fully electric car has roughly 80kg of copper.

Copper wiring is used in most electrical wiring, power generation, transmission, distribution, and circuitry because of its high conductivity and durability.



Copper's superior electrical and thermal conductivities are vital in the collection, storage and distribution of solar energy.

Copper demand from wind power installations could more than double by 2030.

Demand for copper for EV charging is expected to rise more than 1000% by 2030, compared to 2020.

Source: BloombergNEF

As the world moves towards alternative energy sources, copper will remain in high demand.

<https://www.zerohedge.com/commodities/visualizing-copper-demand-renewables-powered-future>

# COPPER'S ROLE IN RENEWABLE ENERGY

Copper is critical for renewable energy technologies with applications in cabling, wiring, heat-exchange, and more.

GOVERNMENTS around the world are taking action to accelerate the energy transition.

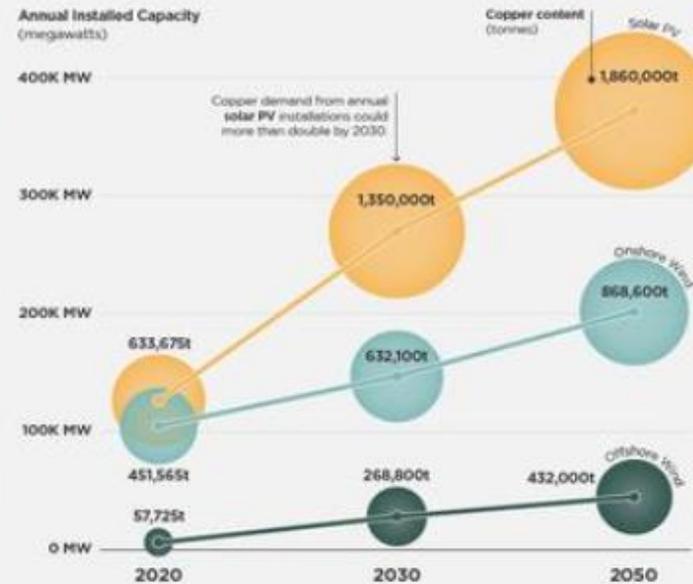
As of 2020, there were:

- 617 Cities with 100% renewable energy targets  
Source: REN21
- 1,852 Cities with climate emergency declarations
- >10,500 Cities with emission reduction targets



## The Copper Intensity of Renewable Energy

As the adoption of solar and wind technologies grows, so will the need for copper:



\*2020 and 2030 projected annual installations are based on IRENA's REmap scenario. Source: IRENA, Navigant Research, Copper Alliance

By 2050, renewable energy technologies could require >3M tonnes of copper annually—15% of global mine production in 2020.



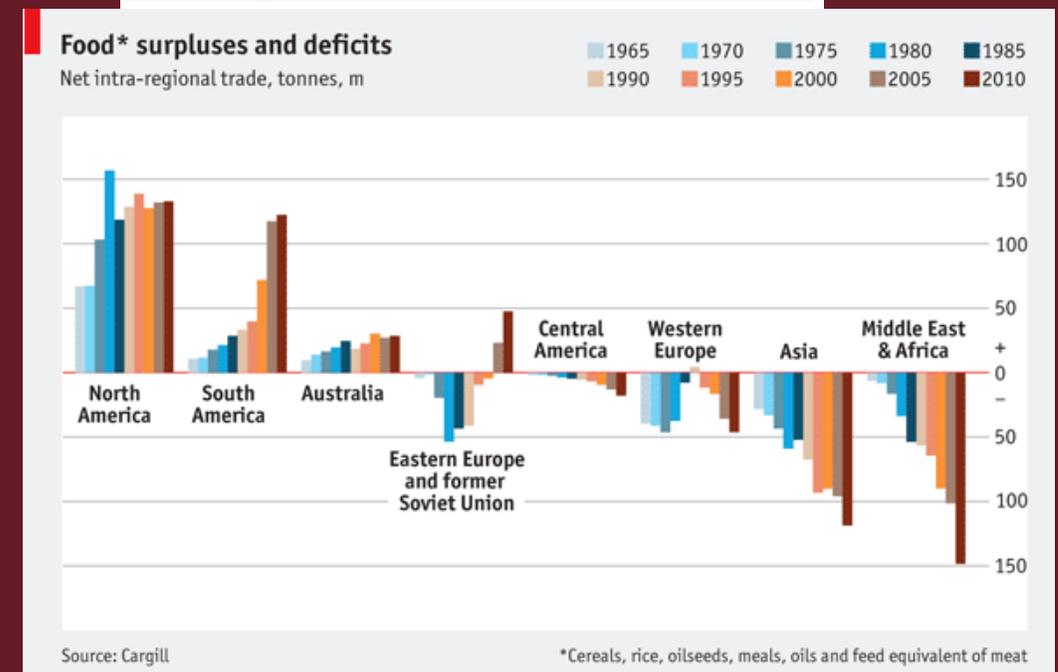
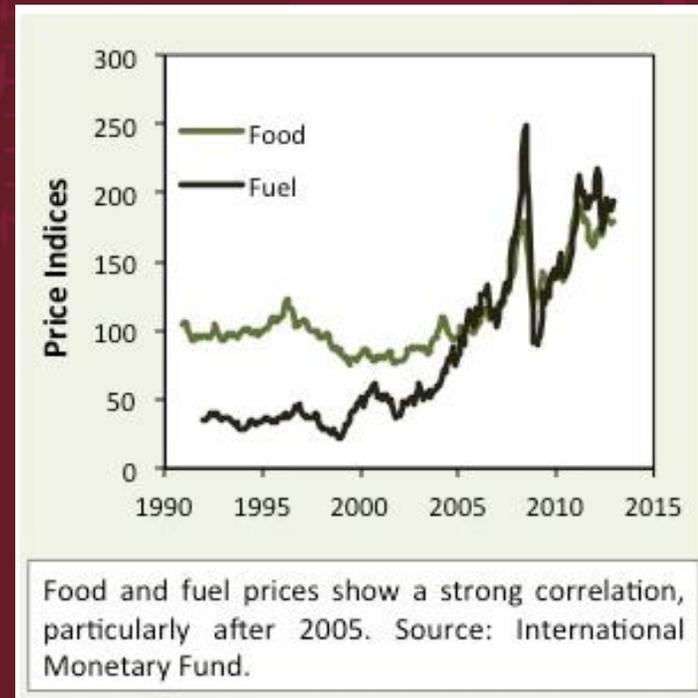
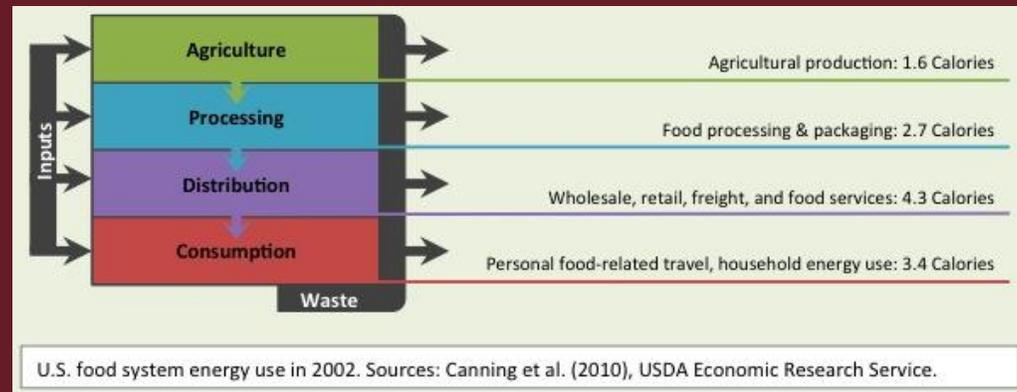
This demand represents just three technologies, and the overall copper market is expected to be in a >500,000-tonne deficit in 2021.

New copper mines and additional mining capacity will play a key role in meeting copper's rising demand.

## Some basic energy costs:

- One metric ton of cement = 5.1 GJ
- One metric ton of glass = 5.3 GJ
- One metric ton of steel = 21.3 GJ
- One metric ton of aluminum = 64.9 GJ
- One MT of potassium fertilizer = 13.8 GJ
- One MT of phosphorus fertilizer = 17.5 GJ
- One MT of nitrogen fertilizer = 78.2 GJ

Source: R. L. Jaffe and W. Taylor Energy info card, Physics of energy 8.21, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.





**There is no green revolution without natural gas derived nitrogen fertilizer**



# Challenge – Perfect Storm

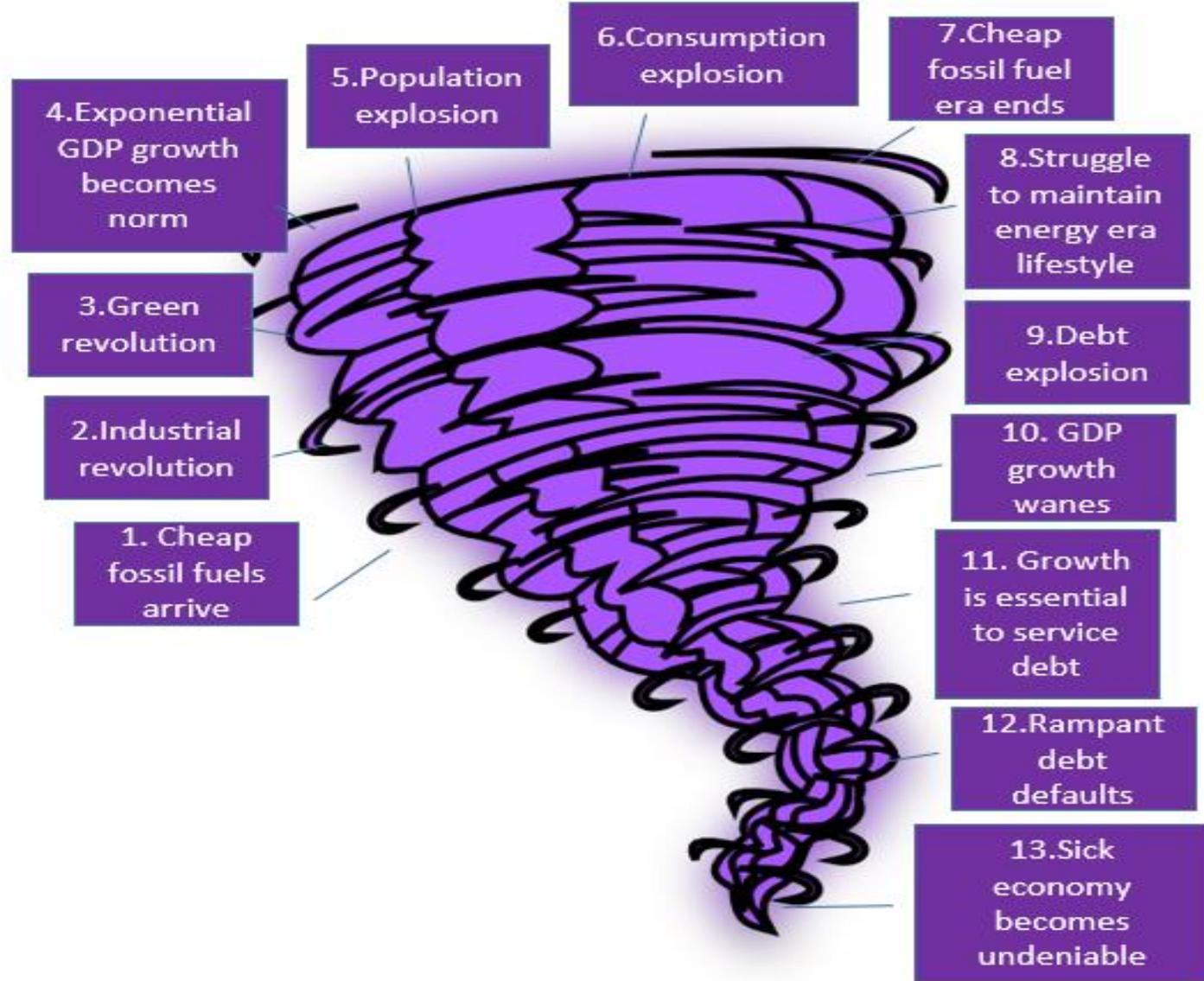


Fig. 5.14: High EROEI

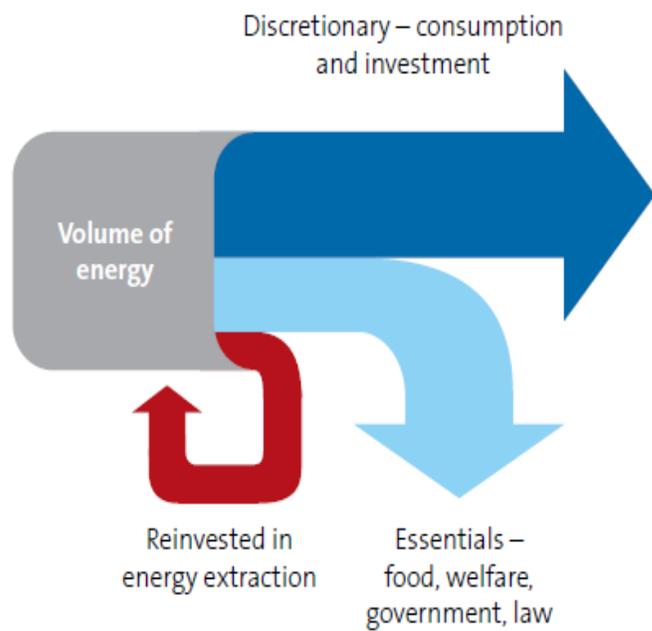
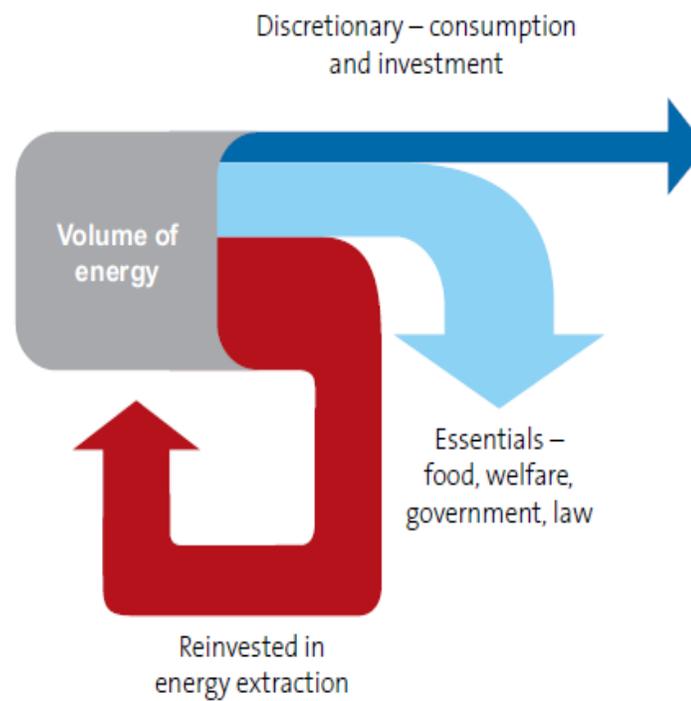
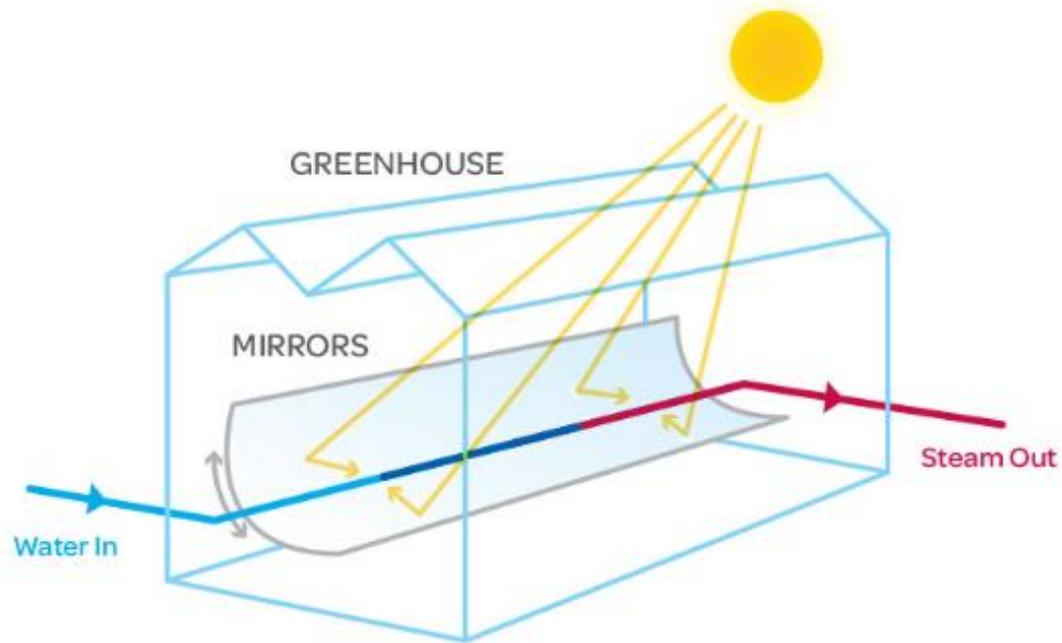


Fig. 5.15: Low EROEI



\* Source: Tullett Prebon estimates, see text

## How enclosed troughs work



### STEP ONE

There are no solar panels in a GlassPoint system. Instead, large curved mirrors are suspended inside an agricultural greenhouse.

### STEP TWO

The mirrors automatically track the sun throughout the day, focusing sunlight on a stationary boiler tube containing water.

### STEP THREE

The concentrated sunlight heats the water to efficiently produce high-pressure steam.

- Concentrated solar thermal technology provides zero-carbon steam at a lower cost due to no fuel cost in sunny locations around the world for enhanced oil and gas recovery.

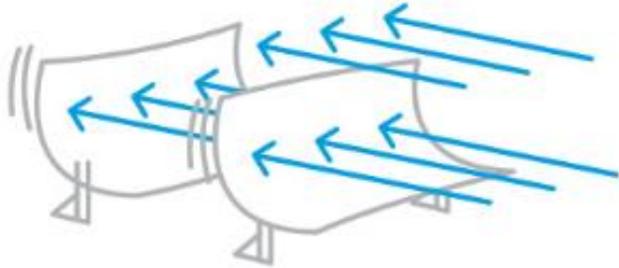
# Solar PV Comparison



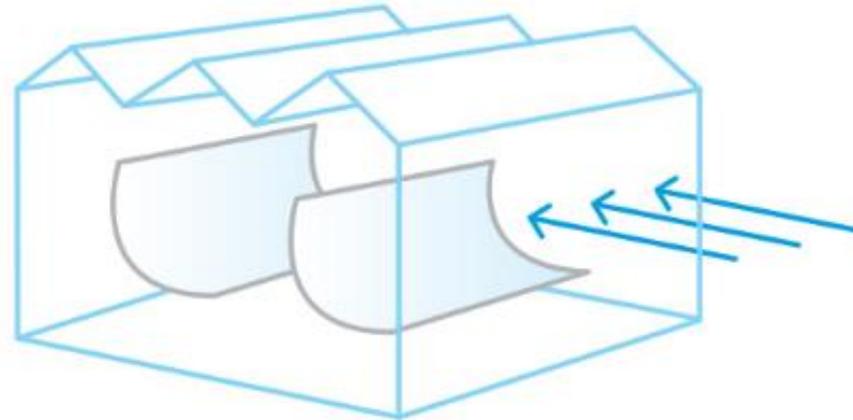
<b>Concentrated Solar Plant vs Solar PV farm</b>			
	<b>CSP</b>	<b>PV</b>	<b>Comment</b>
Capacity - MW	100	100	
Sunlight conversion (watts/square meter)	500	200	PV is 200 and solar thermal is 700
Solar collection Area	200,000	500,000	
site collection area ratio	2	0.5	stacked csp vs spaced solar farm
Site Area required (m2)	100,000	1,000,000	
Site area required (acres)	25	247	
investment rate per watt	0.40	1.50	
plant cost (\$millions)	40	150	

## Wind is the main cost driver

Every trough needs to be reinforced against the wind.



Only the outside wall needs to be reinforced against the wind.

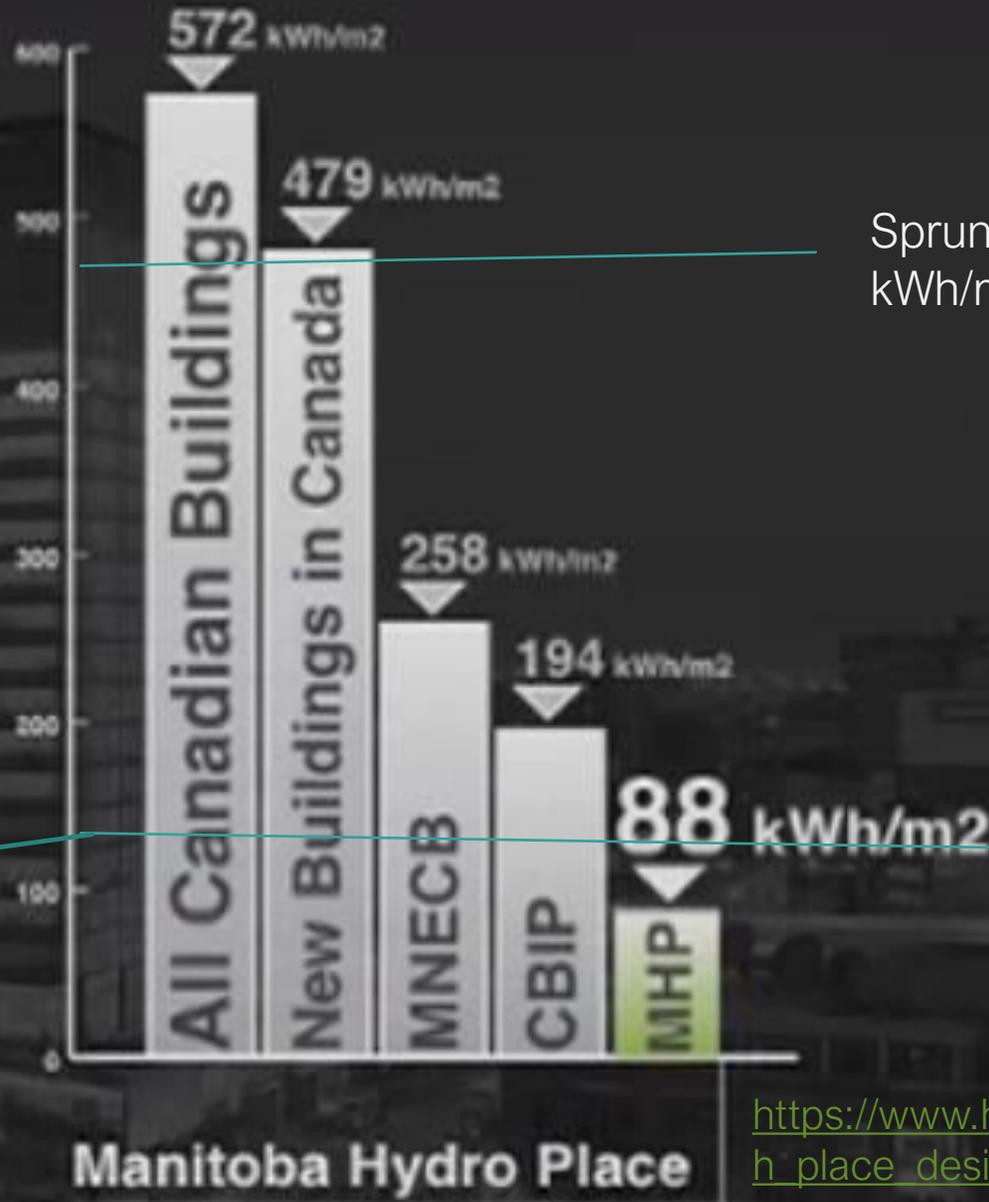


Exposed solar designs use up to two times as much steel and concrete as GlassPoint's enclosed trough.

- Conventional greenhouse structures typically see heat loss double as wind speed goes from 0 to 15 miles per hour



Benchmark numbers for the greenest buildings in Canada



Sprung Campus @ 474 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/yr.

ARK Sprung Greenhouse @ 133 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/yr.

This was before concentrated solar, etc. Entirely off grid renewable is in our grasp!

[https://www.hydro.mb.ca/corporate/history/mh\\_place\\_design\\_and\\_construction](https://www.hydro.mb.ca/corporate/history/mh_place_design_and_construction)

# Energy use of Canadian buildings

# Permaculture Design For Our Future



## That

- History

Economic Growth



Population Growth



Cheap Foods



Cheap Fertilizers



Cheap Abundant Energy

- The Future?

Difficult growth at best  
except mostly those solving energy  
and food challenges



Food Inflation



Fertilizer Inflation



Energy Scarcity & Inflation

Population,  
Water &  
Soil  
Issues



## Or This

1. Gain of rooftop acreage with little transport required
2. Role of small business in decentralized production
3. Virtually free greenhouse cooling
4. Virtually free passive solar greenhouse heating
5. Composting for heating, nutrient reuse and biogas
6. Aquaponics to solve overfishing and reduce produce fertilizer costs
7. Concentrated solar
8. Cogen to quadgeneration for energy efficiency
9. Algae greenhouse for new fast replenishment fuels
10. Only a fragment of what permaculture has to offer

# *That or This*

**No Alternative To Energy Efficiency**