

# Alternative Energy – What's developing in the Wings?

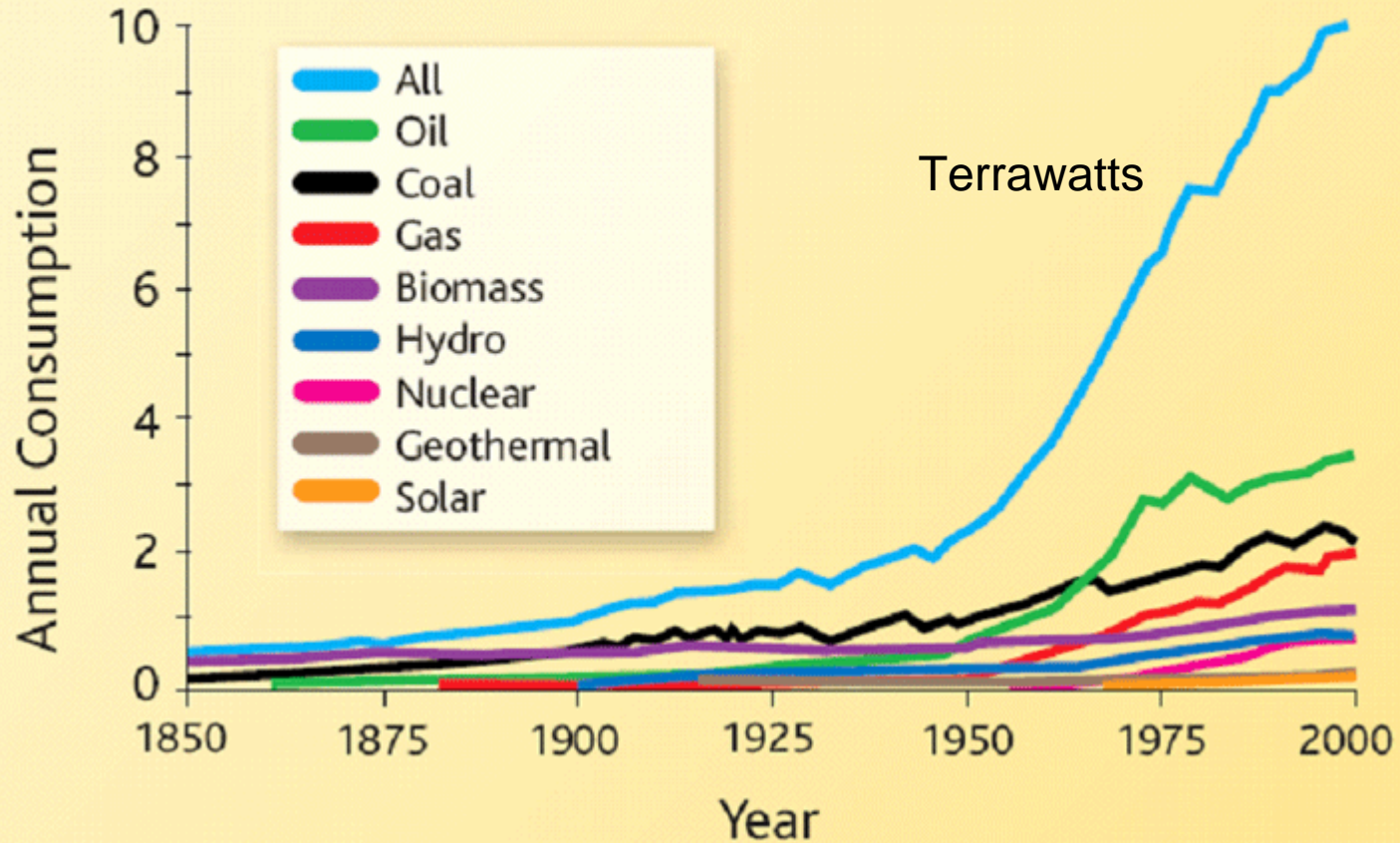
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# Outline

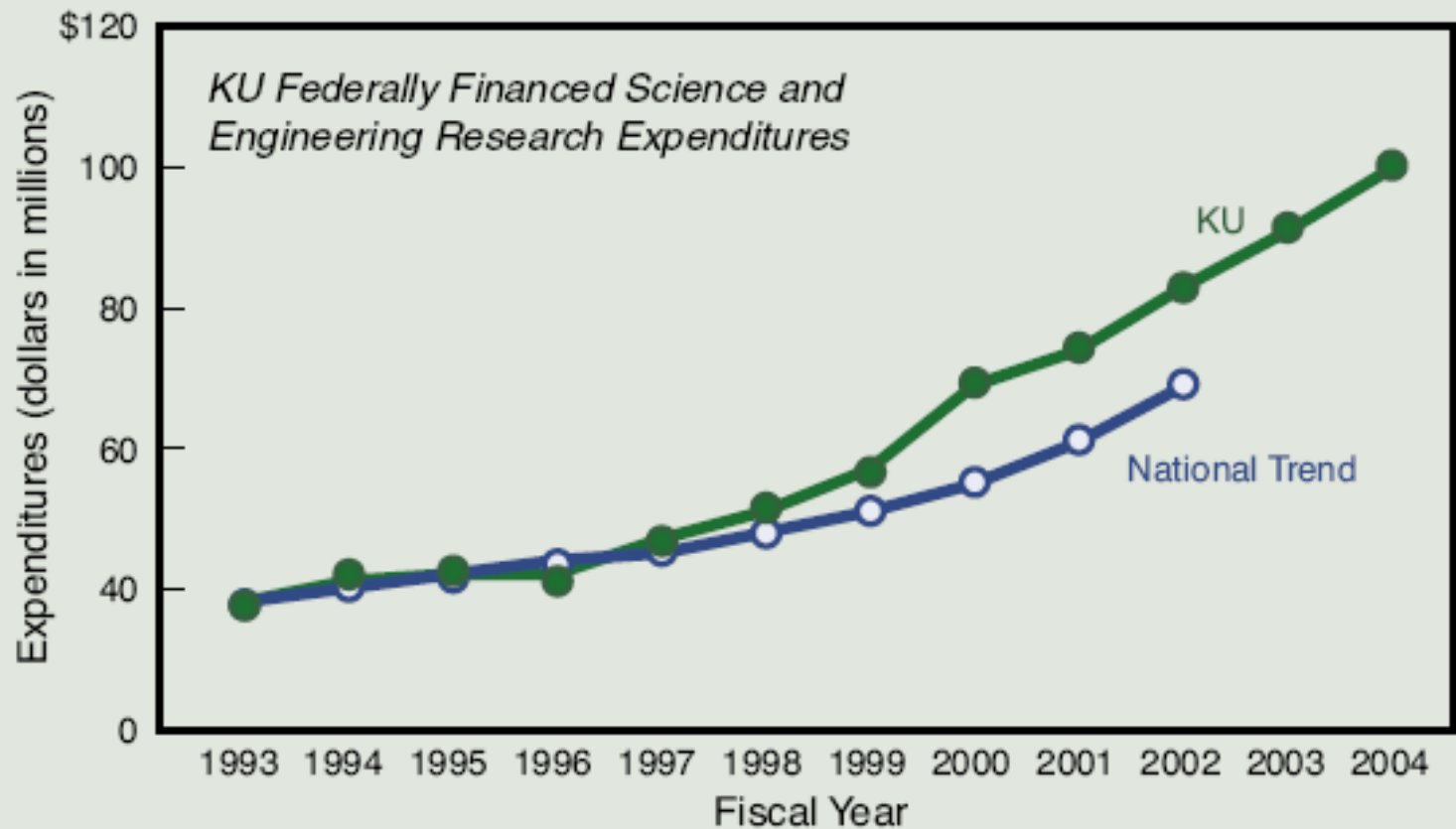
- Energy Research in Kansas/KU
- Status of energy use and fuels
- Policy changes to support alternative forms of energy
- Changing views on fossil energy dependence
- Are high oil and gas prices good?
- Biomass, ethanol, synfuels, land-fill gas, carbon sequestration
- Fuels Cells
- Electric Vehicles
- Wind Power
- Conservative, efficient use of energy
- Conclusions

# Global Energy Consumption



<http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/reprint/309/5734/548.pdf>

Science v. 309, 22 July 2005, p. 548-549.

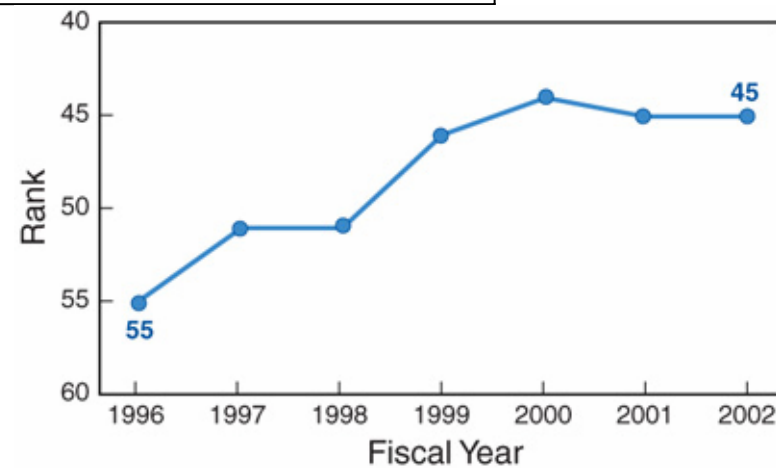


| Source of Funds             | Science and Engineering Research | Training and Other Research | Total                |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Grants and Contracts</b> | <b>\$118,012,550</b>             | <b>\$64,060,395</b>         | <b>\$182,072,945</b> |
| Federal Government          | 101,920,140                      | 53,238,771                  | 155,158,911          |
| State and Local Governments | 4,849,737                        | 3,047,237                   | 7,896,974            |
| Industry                    | 2,294,733                        | 3,047,606                   | 5,342,339            |
| Nonprofit and Other         | 8,947,940                        | 4,726,781                   | 13,674,730           |
| <b>Institutional Funds</b>  | <b>\$63,179,700</b>              | <b>\$28,598,970</b>         | <b>\$91,778,670</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                | <b>\$181,192,250</b>             | <b>\$92,659,365</b>         | <b>\$273,851,615</b> |

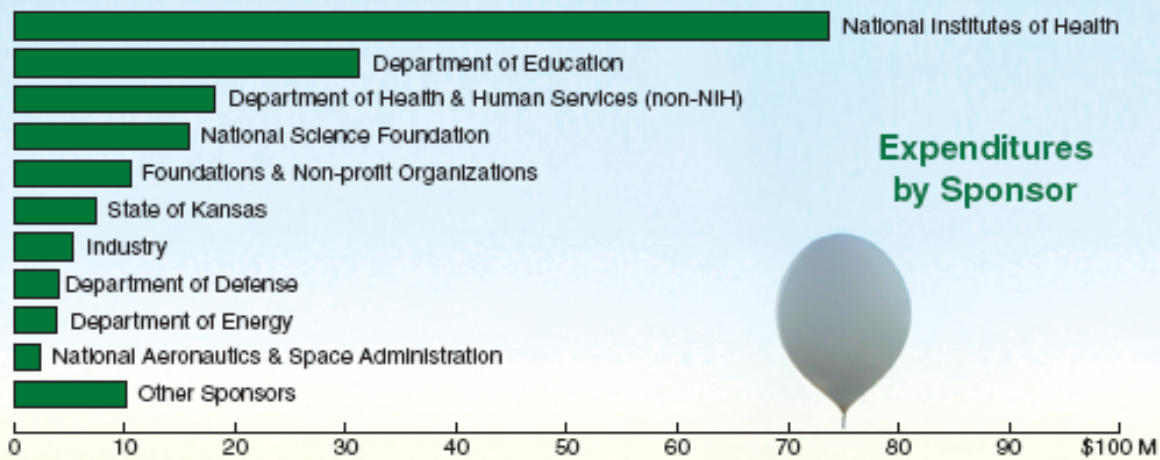
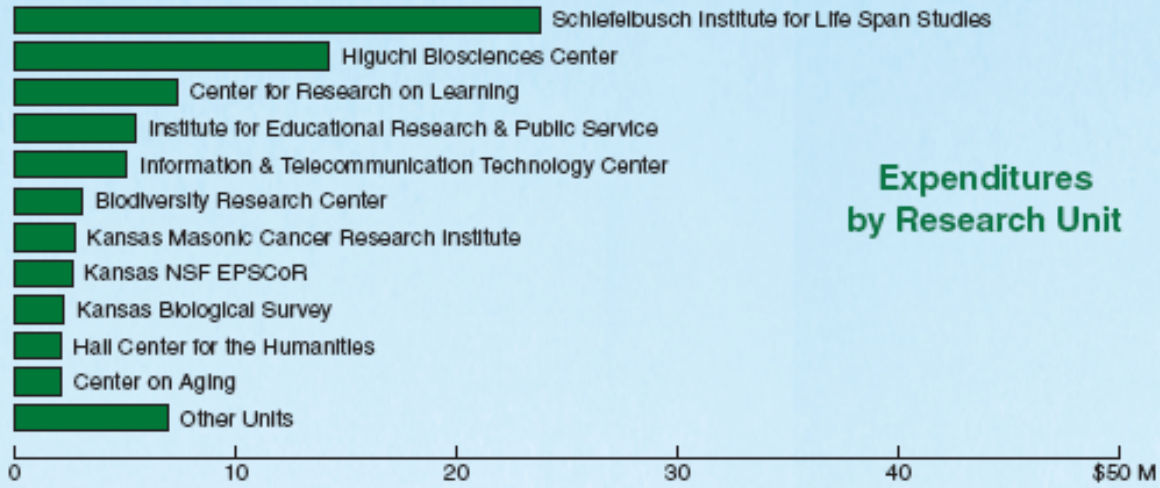
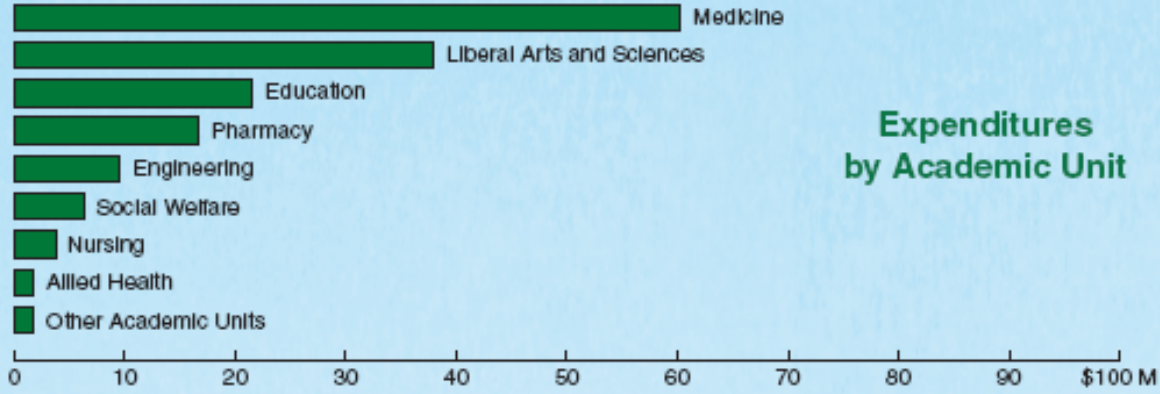


# KU 2002 Federal Science and Engineering Expenditures (select disciplines):

|                                    |      |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Sociology                          | 15th |
| Political Science                  | 23rd |
| Earth Sciences                     | 30th |
| Life Sciences (combined)           | 29th |
| Life Sciences - Biological Science | 30th |
| Life Sciences - Medical Sciences   | 32nd |
| Life Sciences - Other              | 8th  |



# KU Fiscal Year 2004



Expenditures (dollars in millions)

# KU Energy Research Center Seed Fund Program

- Development of a Predictive Geomechanical Model for Recovery of Coalbed Methane
- Non-Invasive Collider Beam Monitoring ★
- Novel Au Catalysts for the Preferential Oxidation of CO ★
- Characterization of surface ionic activity of proton conducting membrane by conductive atomic force (CAFM) ★
- Gas Content, Chemical Composition, and Isotopic Analyses of Eastern Kansas Coals and Organic – Rich Shales
- Collaborative Research in Energy Policy: Grid Access
- Next-Generation Building Energy Systems Design Software ★

30 seed projects similar to above have been funded since 1991  
\$2.8 million awarded in external funds resulting from seed funds

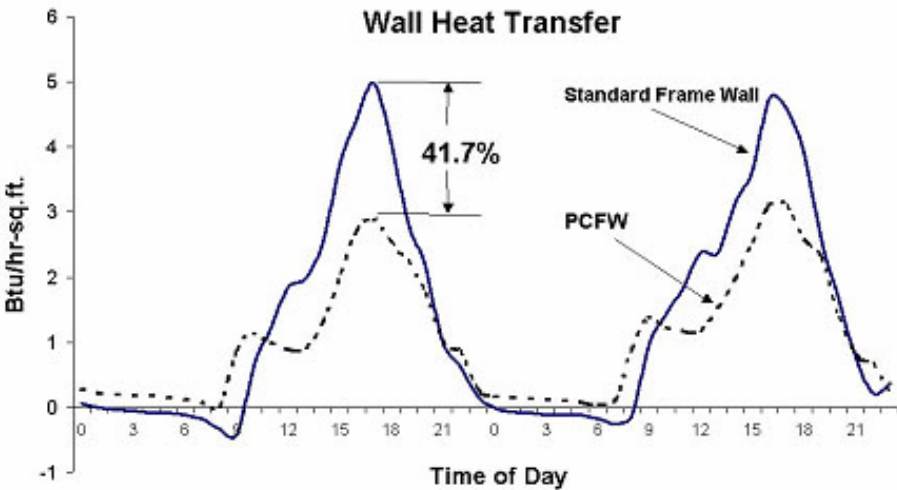
# Featured Energy Research at KU

- Fuel Cells – Trung Van Nguyen
- Biofuels – Ethanol, syngas – Susan Williams
- Building Insulation – Mario Medina
- Carbon Sequestration -- Tim Carr
- Energy Information Network – Scott White

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*<http://www.kgs.ku.edu/ERC>*

## Building Insulation

41% drop in heat loss



<http://www.kgs.ku.edu/ERC/current.html>



## KU ENERGY RESEARCH CENTER'S SPONSORED PROJECT ON BUILDING INSULATION:

### Little Houses on the Prairie

Phase-change materials help take the bite out of heating and cooling in test houses.

[http://www.engr.ku.edu/publications/Oread\\_Engineer/2002/articles/tinyhouses.htm](http://www.engr.ku.edu/publications/Oread_Engineer/2002/articles/tinyhouses.htm)

### KU professor studies unique substance that could help improve home efficiency

<http://www.ku.edu/~kunews/2002/02N/SeptNews/Sept17/pcm.html>

### New Invention

“Phase Change Structural Insulated Panels and Walls.” Filed in July 2003 with U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Status: Pending.

[http://www.research.ku.edu/techtran/news/newsletter/news\\_v3\\_n03.pdf](http://www.research.ku.edu/techtran/news/newsletter/news_v3_n03.pdf)

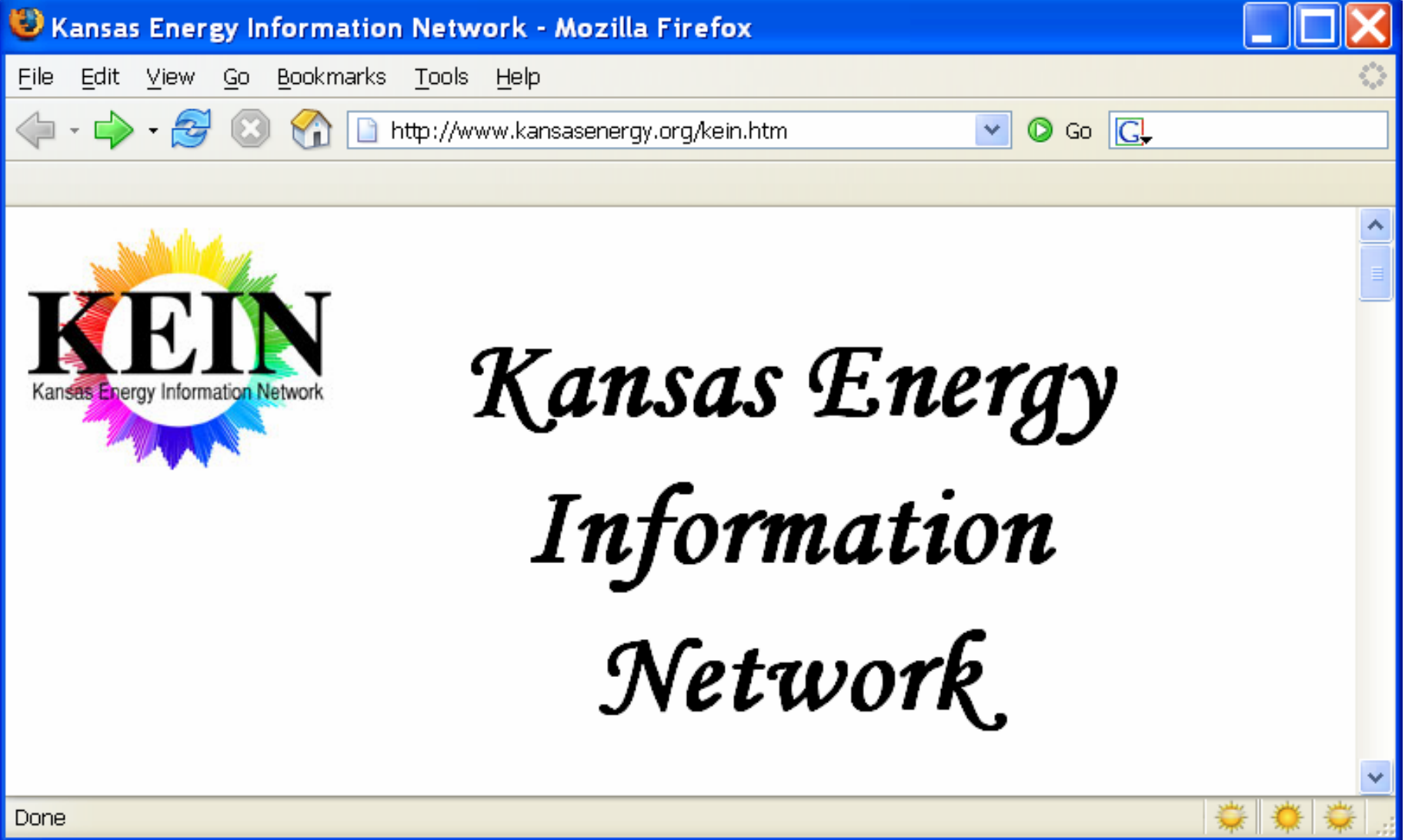
### 2004 Technology Showcase Draws a Crowd

<http://www.research.ku.edu/techtran/news/newsletter/kutt-0105.pdf>



## Capabilities

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <a href="#">Building Efficiency</a>                 | Energy Analysis, non-renewable resources, Energy Analysis & Diagnostic Center, phase-change insulation, off-the-grid housing  |
| <a href="#">Basic Research in Energy Systems</a>    | Physics, chemistry, semiconductors, superconductors   |
| <a href="#">Microbiology</a>                        | Remediation, enhanced petroleum recovery  |
| <a href="#">Alternative Energy</a>                  | Solar, wind, fuel cells, catalysts for gasification and gas-to-liquid thermal energy storage, biofuels, transportation alternatives, turbines   |
| <a href="#">Electrical Transmission</a>             | Utility regulations, energy storage systems, structures in energy generation, cogeneration, incineration, VOC conversion, biomass, atmospheric deposition, particulates, consumer incentives                                |
| <a href="#">Energy Policy</a>                       | Energy Environmental Policy, International Energy Policy, Law Administration, Natural resources, Economics, History, Geography  |
| <a href="#">Environmental / Conservation</a>        | Water resources, aqueous geochemistry, hydrology, wetlands, brine correlation, groundwater pollution, fly ash utilization, remediation, soils, climate, geophysical data acquisition, GIS technology, petroleum exploration |
| <a href="#">Fossil Fuels: Petroleum Geology</a>     | Oil & gas reservoirs, production statistics, well logging, geochemistry, fluid flow, probability methods in petroleum exploration, digital petroleum atlas, GIS, technology transfer, stratigraphy, sedimentology           |
| <a href="#">Fossil Fuels: Petroleum Engineering</a> | Petroleum reservoir engineering, gelation rheology utilization, reservoir simulation  |
| <a href="#">Coal Supply</a>                         | Coal resources, mining, liquification, coal bed methane, NOX removal from flue gas  |
| <a href="#">Natural Gas Utilization</a>             | Natural gas engines, exhaust emissions  |



[www.kansasenergy.org/kein.htm](http://www.kansasenergy.org/kein.htm)

# Kansas Energy Information Network

<http://www.kansasenergy.org/kein.htm>

Wind energy back on county's agenda

By KERRI SNELL, Sentinel Staff Writer

Wednesday, February 8, 2006 12:30 PM CST

Posted on Mon, Feb. 13, 2006

**Biodiesel plant coming to northwest Missouri**

**Associated Press**

Posted on Sun, Feb. 12, 2006  
**Using bugs to gin up ethanol**

**PAUL ELIAS**

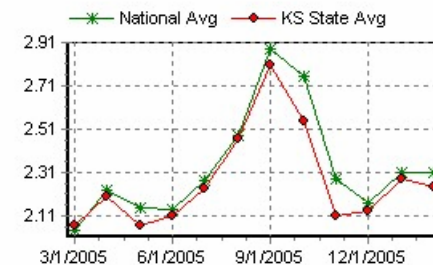
**Associated Press**

Proposed ethanol plant to fuel job growth

By LeROY WILSON

[lwilson@gctelegram.com](mailto:lwilson@gctelegram.com)

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# Kansas Energy Report 2006

## Kansas Energy Council

www.kansasenergy.org



December 22, 2005

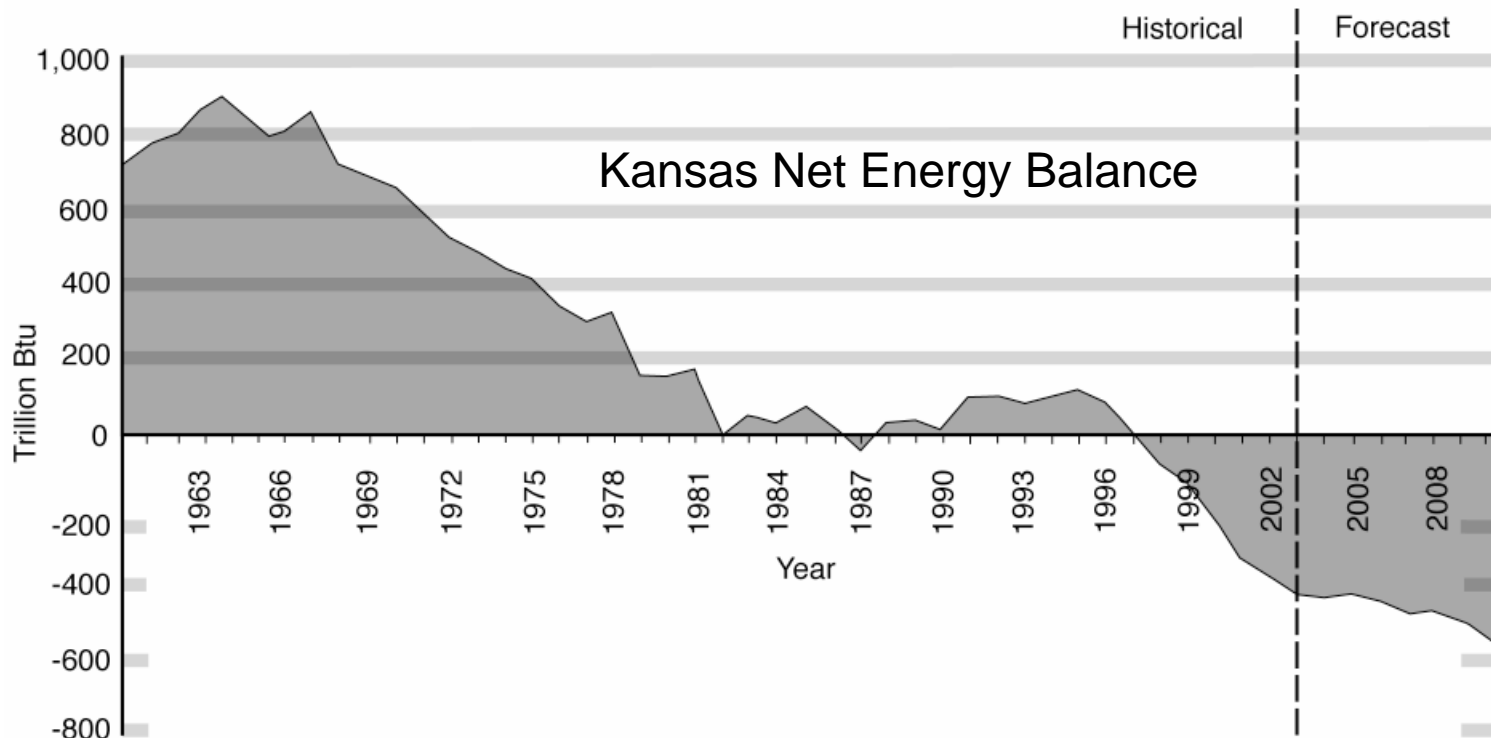


Figure 1—Kansas net energy balance, 1960 to 2003, with projections to 2010. Positive numbers show energy produced in excess of consumption (exports), while negative numbers show energy consumed in excess of production (imports).

The Council identified the following core priorities:

- To ensure a low-cost, reliable and secure energy supply,
- To increase energy conservation and efficiency,
- To extend the life of existing energy resources, and
- To develop a balanced renewable energy policy.

# General Overview

## Kansas Oil and Gas

**Population:** 2,735,502 (2004) ranked 33rd

**Per Capita Income:** \$30,811 (2004) ranked 29th

**Total Energy Consumption:** 1.0 quadrillion Btu (2001), ranked 32nd

**Per Capita Energy Consumption:** 386 million Btu (2001), ranked 15th

**Total Petroleum Consumption:** 8.2 million gallons per day (2002), ranked 31st

**Gasoline Consumption:** 3.3 million gallons per day (2002), ranked 33rd

**Distillate Fuel Consumption:** 1.9 million gallons per day (2002), ranked 33rd

**Liquefied Petroleum Gas Consumption:** 1.2 million gallons per day (2002), ranked 13th

**Jet Fuel Consumption:** 0.2 million gallons per day (2002), ranked 34th

### **Petroleum Supply (Upstream)**

**Crude Oil Proved Reserves:** 245 million barrels (2004), ranked 10th (11th including Federal Offshore). Accounts for 1 percent of U.S. crude oil proved reserves.

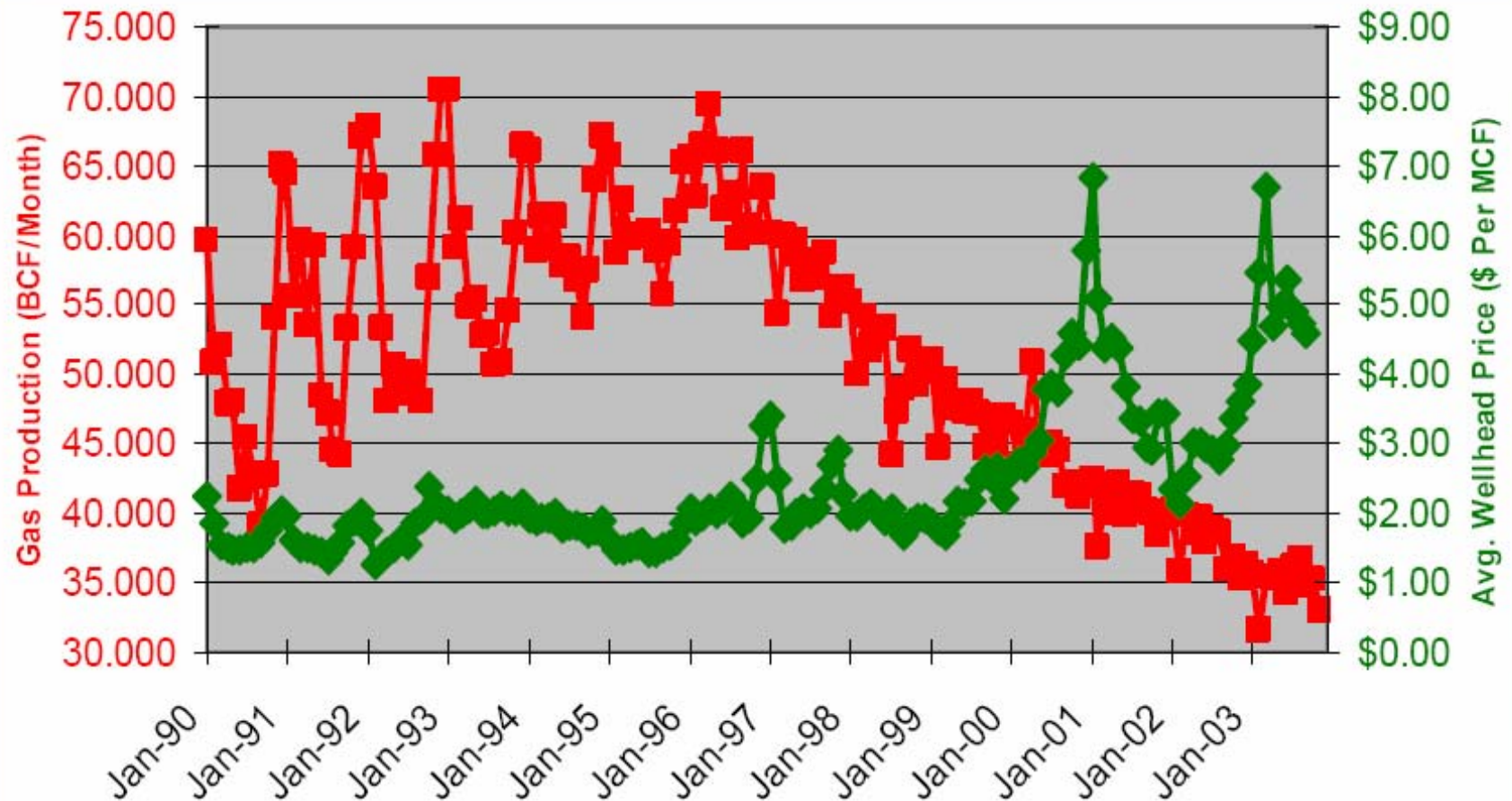
**Crude Oil Production:** 92,000 barrels per day (2004), ranked 8th (9th including Federal Offshore). Accounts for 2 percent of U.S. crude oil production.

**Total Producing Oil Wells:** 40,474 (2004)

**Refineries:** Distillation capacity of 296,200 Barrels Per Calendar Day (BCD) (2005)  
Coffeyville Resources Refining & Mkg (Coffeyville @ 112,000 BCD)  
Frontier Refining & Marketing Inc. (El Dorado @ 103,000 BCD)  
NCRA (McPherson @ 81,200 BCD)

**Gasoline Stations:** 2,500 outlets (2005), or about 1.5 percent of U.S. total.

# Kansas Gas Production



Production Through November 2003  
Wellhead Prices through September 2003



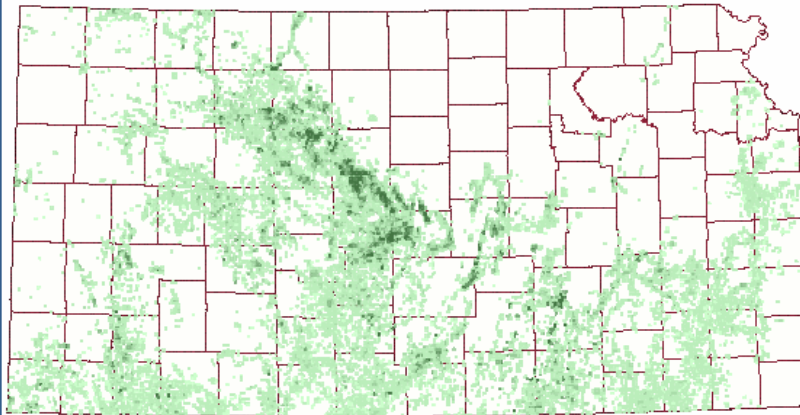
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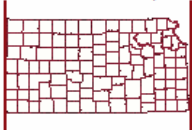
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# Oil Production



Overview Map



### Legend

Oil Production bbls

- Less than 1000
- 1000 to 292000
- 292000 to 584000
- 584000 to 876000
- 876000 to 1168000
- 1168000 to 1752000
- 1752000 to 2336000
- 2336000 to 2920000
- Greater than 2920000
- County Boundary



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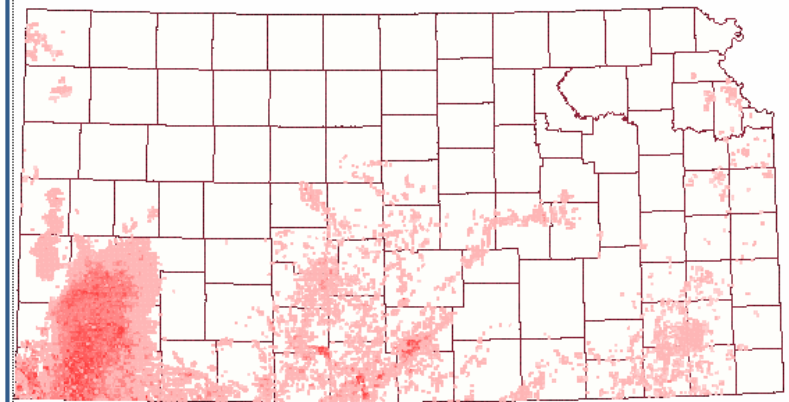
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Oil-Gas Production:

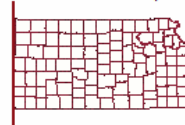
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# Gas Production



Overview Map



### Legend

Gas Production mcf

- Less than 15000
- 15000 to 3650000
- 3650000 to 5110000
- 5110000 to 8760000
- 8760000 to 10950000
- 10950000 to 14600000
- 14600000 to 25550000
- 25550000 to 43800000
- Greater than 43800000
- County Boundary



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# Oil and Gas Production by Operator

**Table 1**

| <b>Oil Production from July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005</b> |                               |                        |
|---|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Ranking</b>  | <b>Operator Name</b>          | <b>Production (bo)</b> |
| 1   | Berexco, Inc.                 | 1,546,728              |
| 2   | Vess Oil Corporation          | 1,471,096              |
| 3   | Murfin Drilling Co., Inc.     | 1,260,885              |
| 4   | Oxy USA, Inc.                 | 1,186,353              |
| 5   | American Warrior, Inc.        | 729,542                |
| 6   | Merit Energy Company          | 683,356                |
| 7   | Cimarex Energy Co.            | 587,857                |
| 8   | McCoy Petroleum Corporation   | 525,824                |
| 9   | Elysium Energy, L.L.C.        | 469,468                |
| 10  | Ritchie Exploration, Inc.     | 469,214                |
| 11  | PetroSantander ( USA ) Inc.   | 466,113                |
| 12  | Loeb, Herman L.               | 411,820                |
| 13  | Hartman Oil Co., Inc.         | 397,181                |
| 14  | White Eagle Resources Corp.   | 349,212                |
| 15  | Oil Producers, Inc. of Kansas | 323,062                |
| 16  | Farmer, John O., Inc.         | 317,366                |
| 17  | Mull Drilling Company, Inc.   | 306,147                |
| 18  | Trans Pacific Oil Corporation | 304,089                |
| 19  | Abercrombie Energy, LLC       | 285,393                |
| 20  | Schmitt, Carmen, Inc.         | 267,061                |

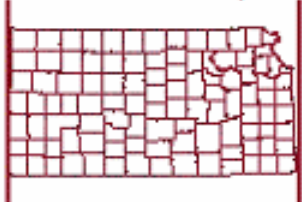
**Table 2**

| <b>Gas Production from July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005</b> |   |                         |
|---|---|-------------------------|
| <b>Ranking</b>  | <b>Operator Name</b>                      | <b>Production (mcf)</b> |
| 1   | BP America Production Company             | 63,852,573              |
| 2   | EXXONMOBIL Oil Corp                       | 53,445,319              |
| 3   | Oxy USA, Inc.                             | 42,432,884              |
| 4   | Anadarko Petroleum Corporation            | 31,674,258              |
| 5   | Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc.       | 27,446,942              |
| 6   | Cimarex Energy Co.                        | 11,803,937              |
| 7   | XTO Energy Inc.                           | 11,445,796              |
| 8   | Merit Energy Company                      | 10,497,582              |
| 9   | Chesapeake Operating, Inc.                | 7,223,242               |
| 10  | Quest Cherokee, LLC                       | 6,361,021               |
| 11  | Kansas Natural Gas, Inc.                  | 4,650,464               |
| 12  | Osborn Heirs Company, LTD                 | 4,138,505               |
| 13  | Dart Cherokee Basin Operating Co. , LLC   | 3,896,081               |
| 14  | Oil Producers, Inc. of Kansas             | 3,505,031               |
| 15  | Berexco, Inc.                             | 3,122,163               |
| 16  | Woolsey Operating Company, LLC            | 3,055,935               |
| 17  | Horseshoe Operating, Inc.                 | 2,869,958               |
| 18  | McCoy Petroleum Corporation               | 2,352,013               |
| 19  | Dominion Oklahoma Texas Expl & Prod, Inc. | 2,345,844               |
| 20  | Chevron USA, Inc.                         | 2,199,923               |

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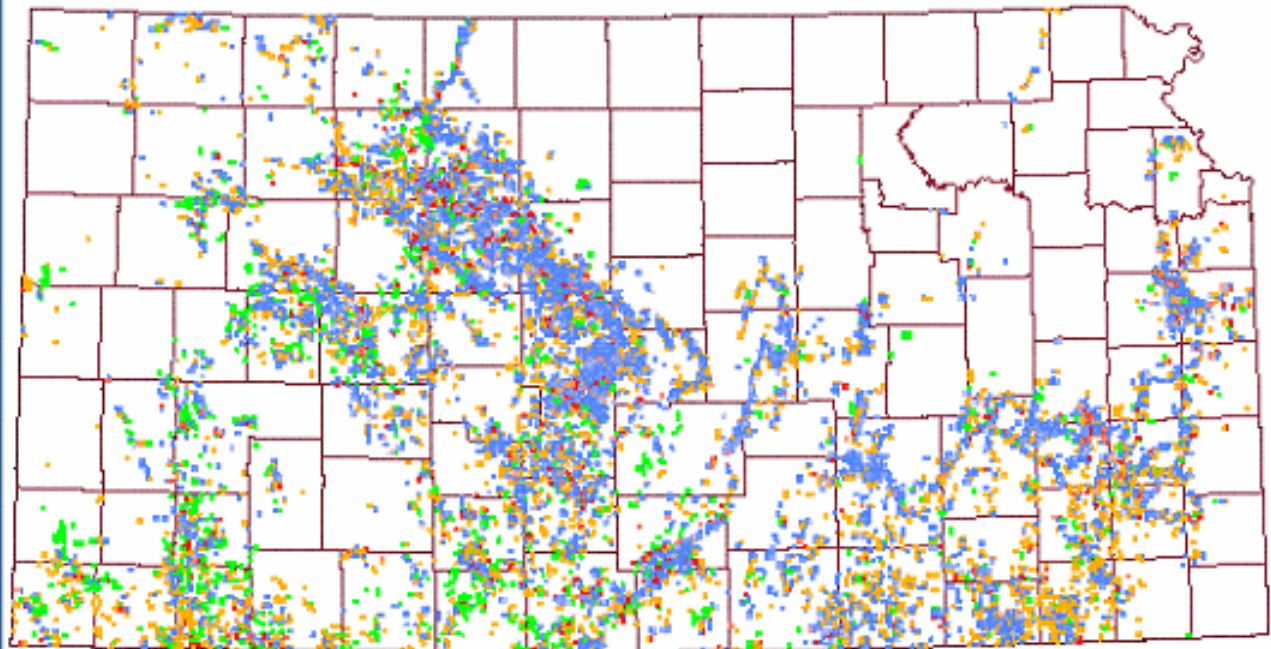
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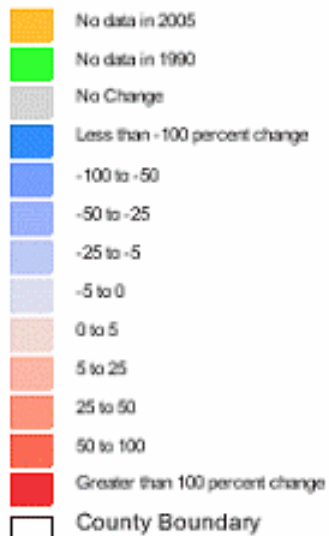
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## Percent change in oil production between 1990 and present



Legend

Percent\_change



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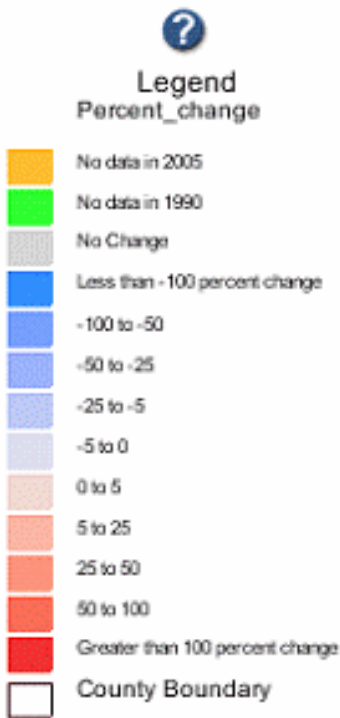
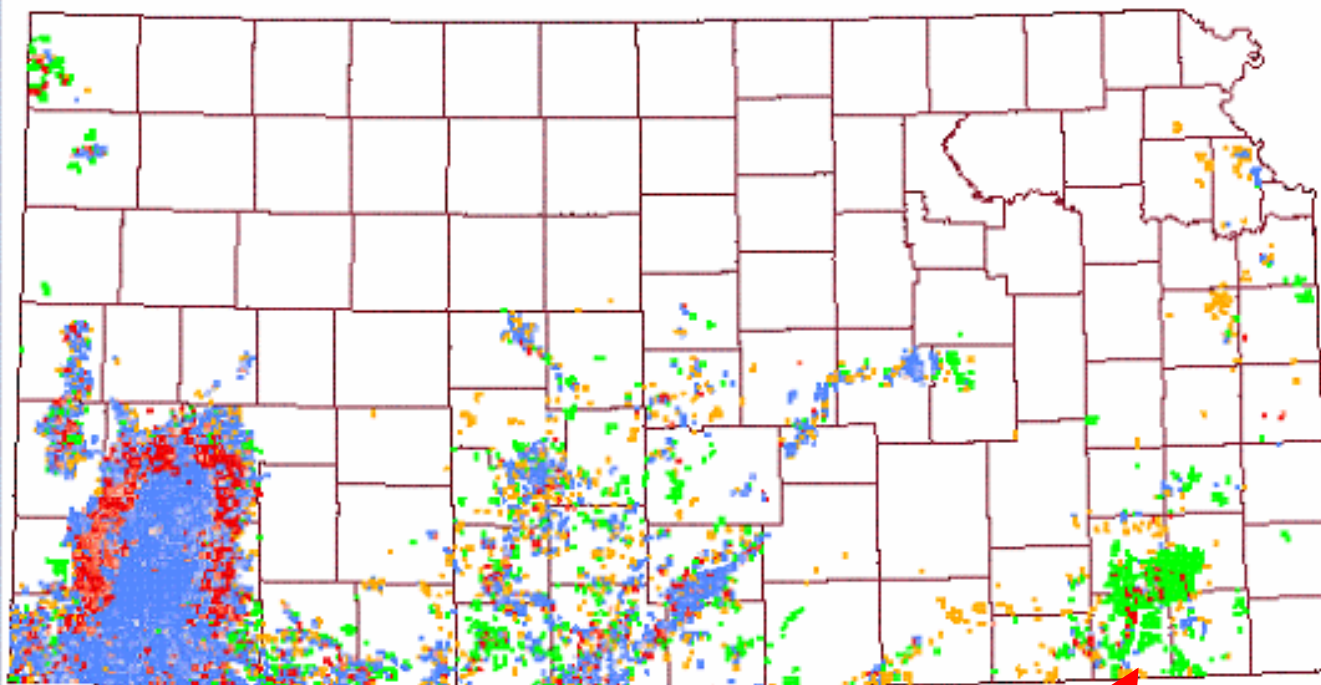
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Overview Map



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## Percent change in gas production between 1990 and present



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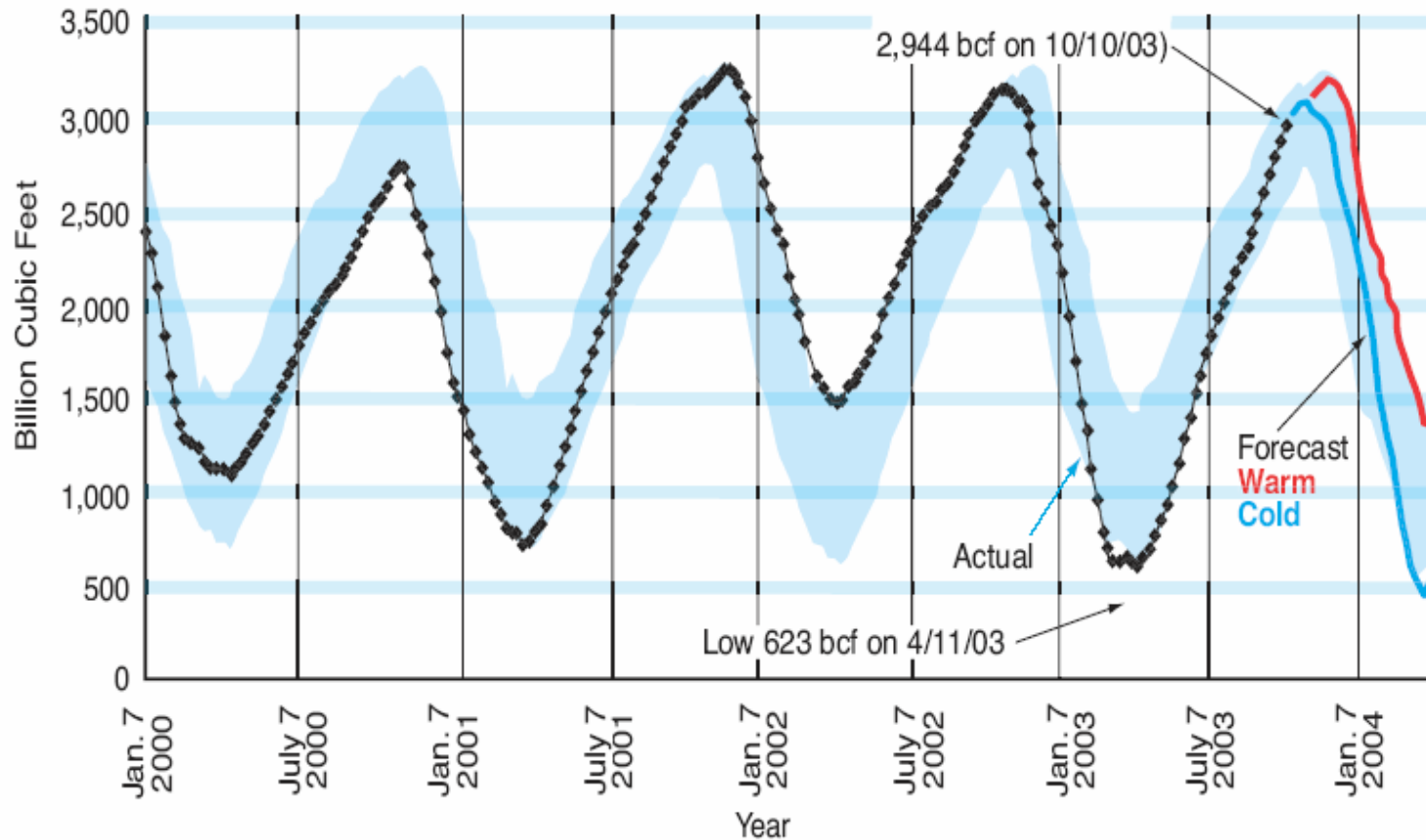
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Coal bed Methane





# Dependability of natural gas availability and its price is a function of supply including storage.



**Figure 1—Monthly U.S. natural gas storage, 2000–2003, with projections for the first half of 2004.** Colored band shows the normal storage range from previous four years. Projected withdrawal rates for the 2003–2004 heating season are based on withdrawals during the colder than normal 2002–2003 (blue line) and warmer than normal 2001–2002 (red line) heating seasons (Tim Carr, Kansas Geological Survey, personal communication, October 17, 2003).

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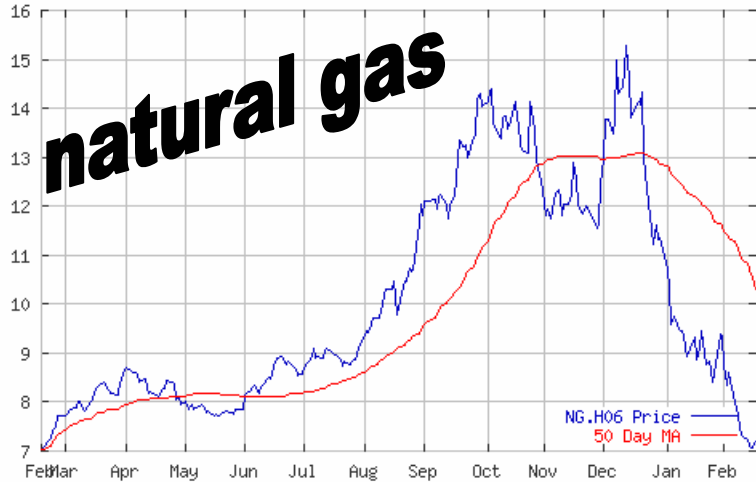


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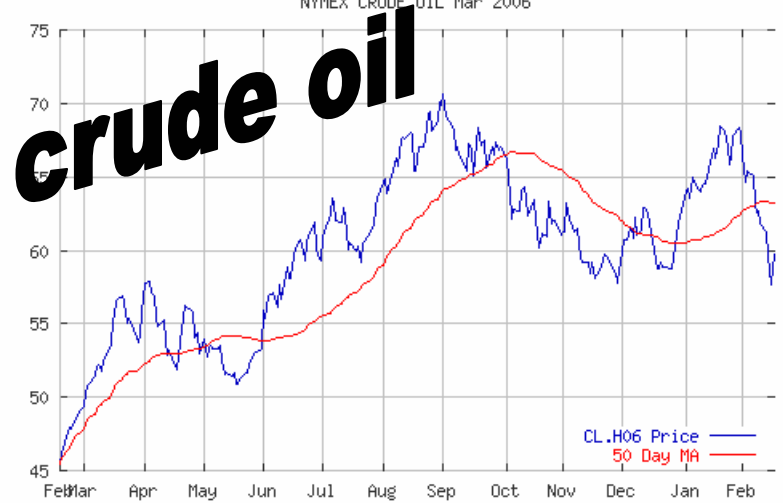


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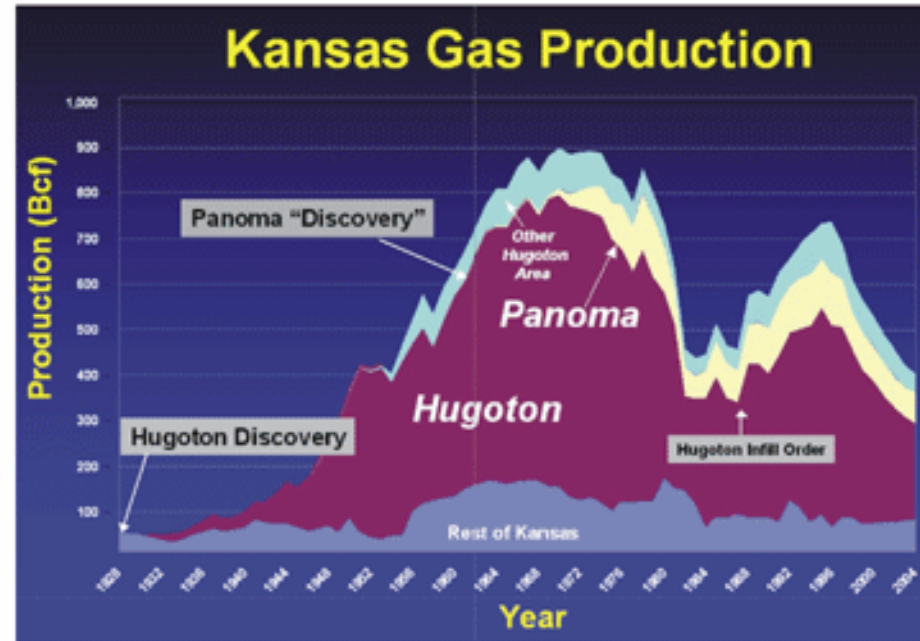
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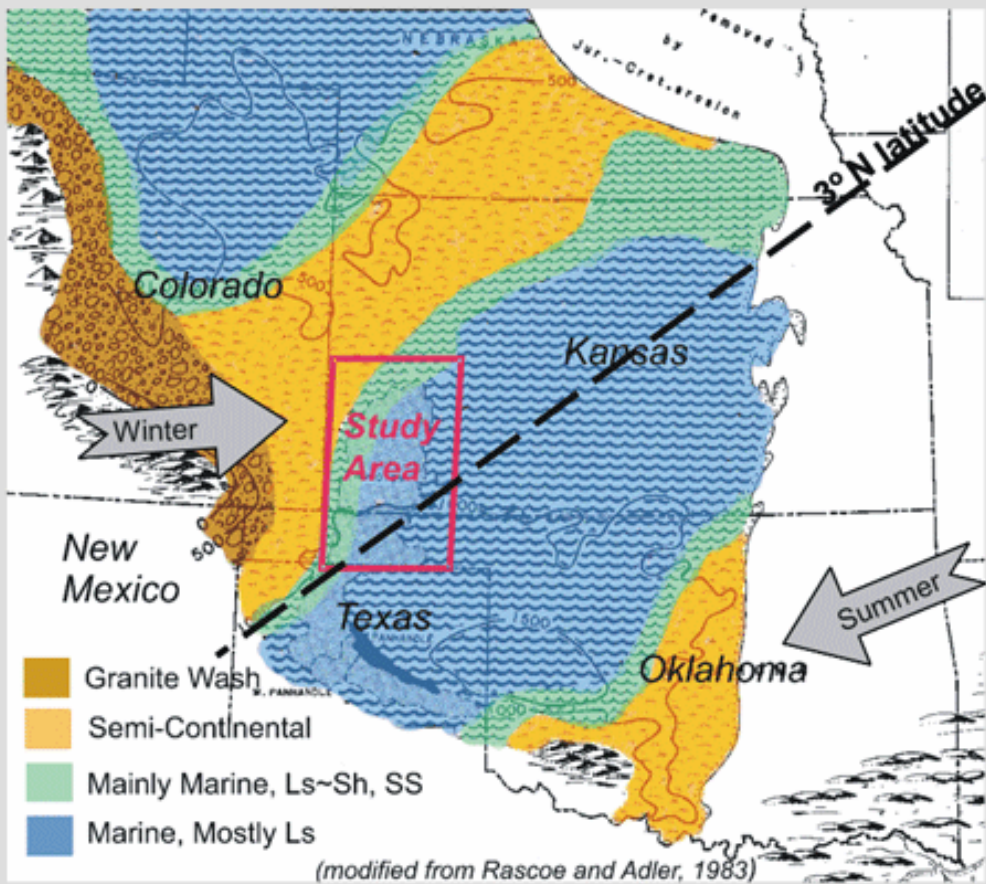
# KANSAS

**Hugoton Panoma Combined**

|                          |              |              |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Discovery</b>         | <b>1928</b>  | <b>1958</b>  |              |
| <b>Development</b>       | <b>1948</b>  | <b>1970</b>  |              |
| <b>Infill Drilling</b>   | <b>1990</b>  | <b>?</b>     |              |
| <b>Depth</b>             | <b>2,500</b> | <b>2,750</b> |              |
| <b>Wells</b>             | <b>7,536</b> | <b>2,345</b> | <b>9,881</b> |
| <b>Cum. Gas (TCF)</b>    | <b>24.7</b>  | <b>3.0</b>   | <b>27.7</b>  |
| <b>BCF/well</b>          | <b>3.3</b>   | <b>1.3</b>   | <b>2.8</b>   |
| <b>Annual (BCF-2003)</b> | <b>239.9</b> | <b>62.5</b>  | <b>302.4</b> |
| <b>MMCF/Well</b>         | <b>31.8</b>  | <b>26.7</b>  | <b>30.6</b>  |

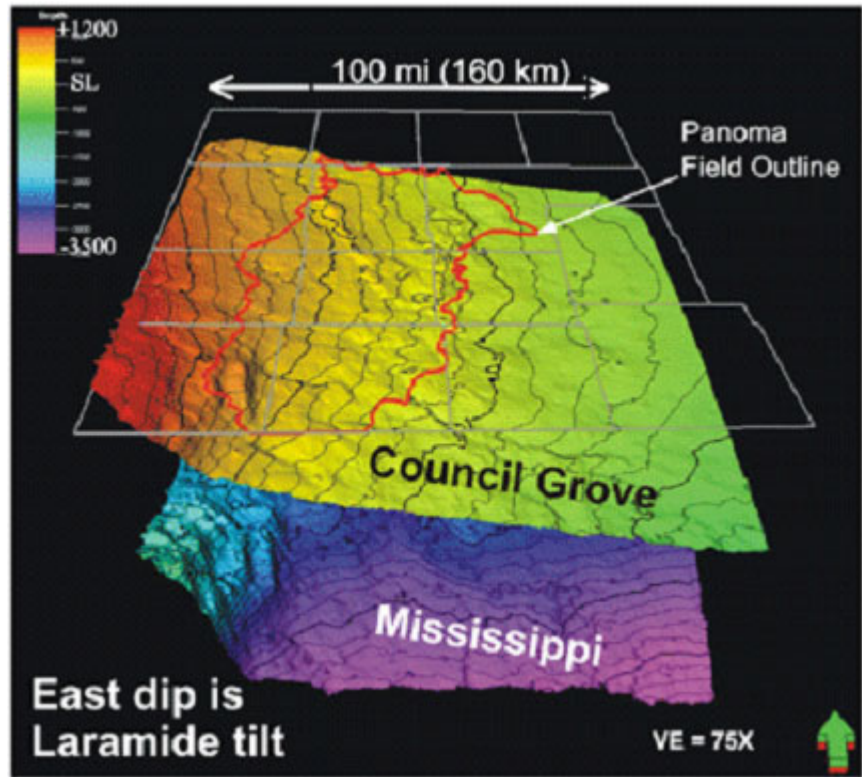


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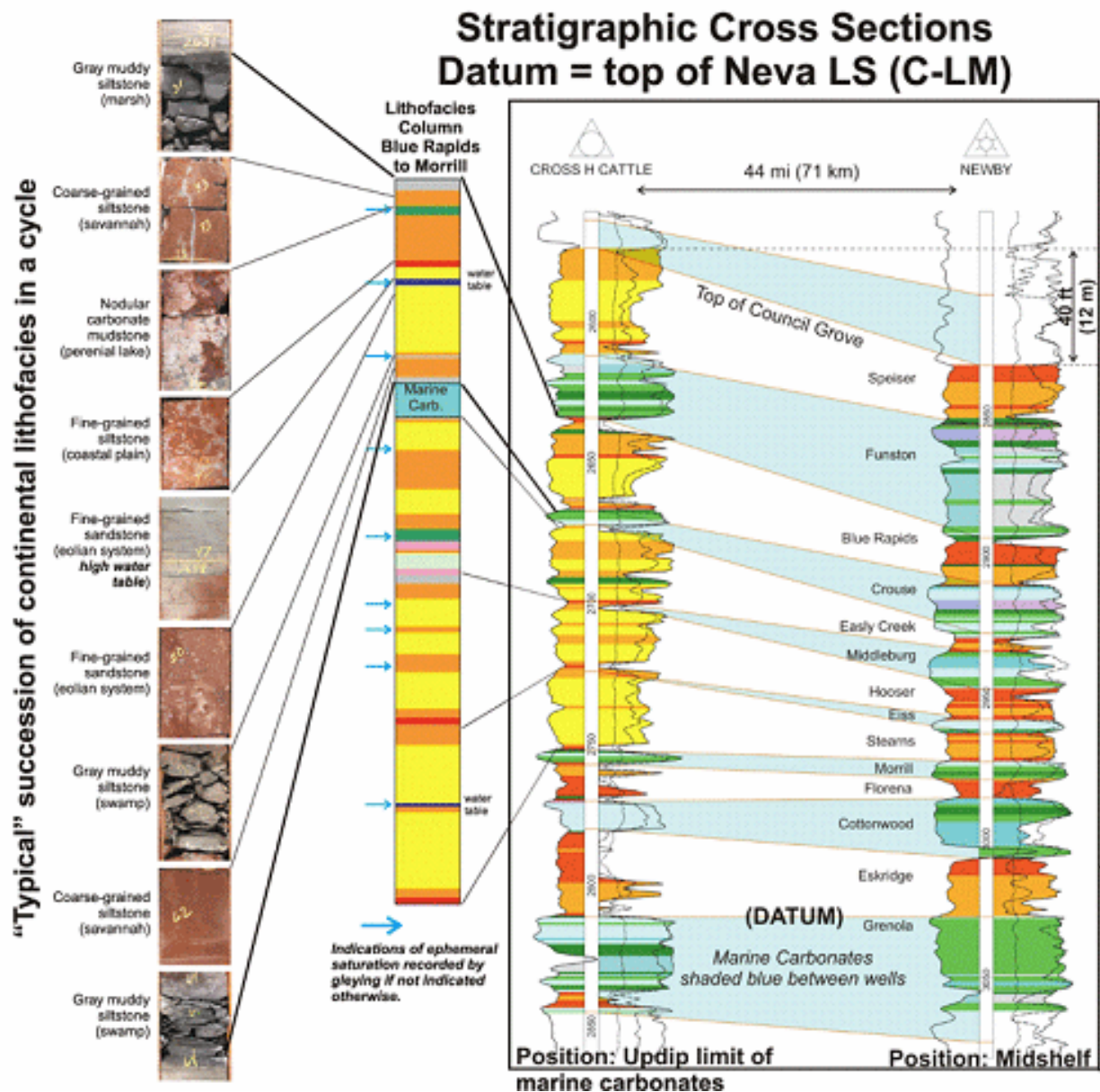
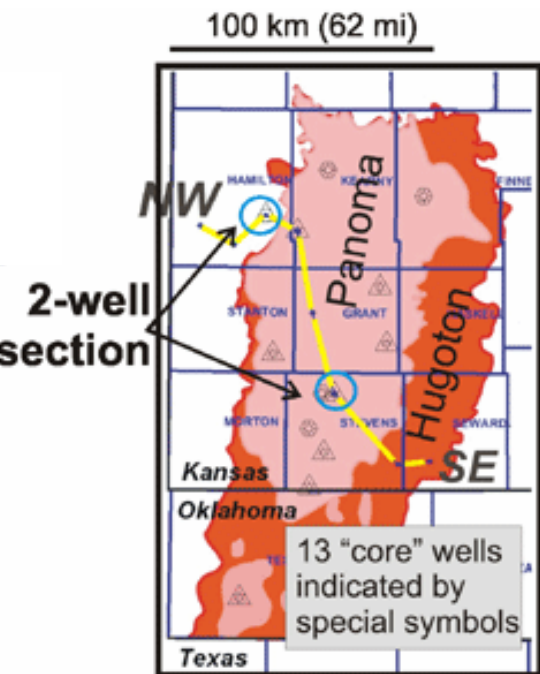


### Late Wolfcamp Paleogeography (Rascoe and Adler, 1983)

Prevailing winds from Parish and Peterson, 1988  
Wolfcamp latitude from Scotese, 2001







# New Drilling Technology

Best-in-Class Technology for Breakthrough Results



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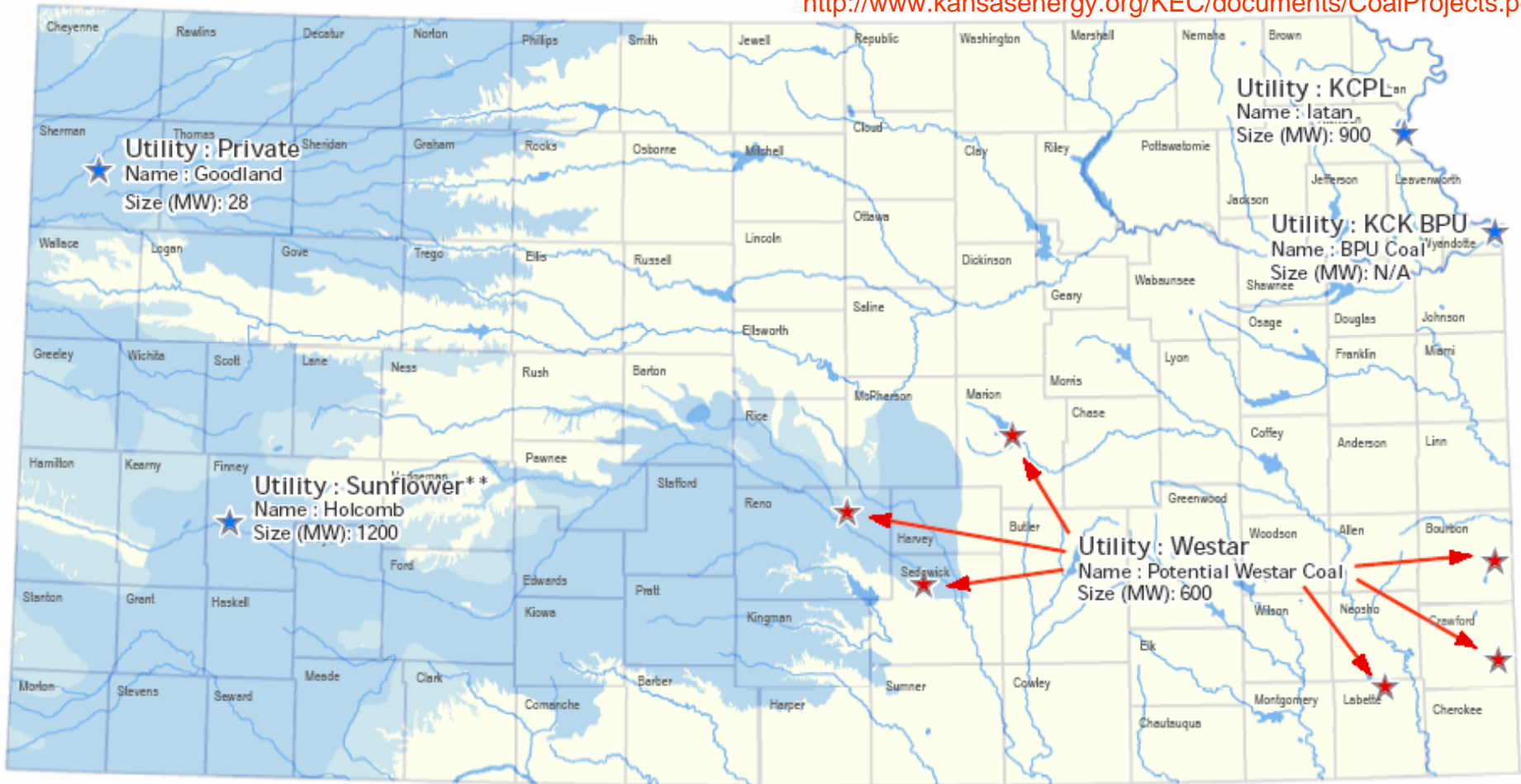
Technology Views



# PROPOSED LOCATIONS for NEW COAL-FIRED POWER PLANTS in KANSAS

September 2005

<http://www.kansasenergy.org/KEC/documents/CoalProjects.pdf>



Projection Information:  
Name: Lambert Conformal Conic  
Datum: NAD83 Spheroid GR3 1980  
Distance Units: meters

★ Westar is only building one plant,  
but has several potential locations

★★ Sunflower is building two plants -  
Total output shown

Surficial Hydrography and  
Ogallala Aquifer shown in Blue

Compiled and edited by DASC (Data Access  
and Support Center), Kansas Geological  
Survey (KGS) at the University of Kansas,  
in Lawrence, Kansas. 08/05

All data except for the Proposed Coal sites  
can be downloaded from Kansas  
Geospatial Community Commons  
<http://gisdasc.kgs.ku.edu>



[www.KansasEnergy.org](http://www.KansasEnergy.org)





Wyoming Coal Mines  
Source of fuel for coal fired electricity  
in Kansas and much of nation



# Why \$5 Gas Is Good for America

The skyrocketing cost of oil is sending pump prices soaring. But it's also subsidizing *research into new technologies that can change the energy game.*

By Spencer Reiss  
December 2005 Issue of Wired Magazine

## As Prices Rise:

- Technologies emerge
- New resources of energy become economic
- Environmental mitigation is more economically feasible
- Untapped, potential energy conservation becomes economic & compelling

***Energy  
Sources  
Unleashed***

**Ultradeep offshore Wells**

Futuristic gear for tapping formerly inaccessible deposits

**Gas to Liquid**

Natural gas converted into diesel fuel

**Tar sands**

A sludgy mélange of petroleum and gravel

**Digital oil fields**

Networked drilling rigs and remote-controlled wells

**Given Long-term price per barrel: \$30-\$70**

**Natural Gas**

Conventional compressed methane - clean, efficient, and explosive

**Coal to Liquid**

An abundant energy resource transformed into diesel

**Biodiesel**

Vegetable oil pressed from soybeans and palm

**Ethanol**

Gasoline-compatible alcohol fermented from corn, sugar, and cellulose

**Given Long-term price per barrel: \$70 & up**

***Energy Sources Unleashed:***

**Methane hydrates**

A crystalline amalgam of methane and frozen water

**Hydrogen**

The most common element in the universe, and a superclean energy source

**Plug-in Hybrids**

Grid electrons propelling cars for short trips

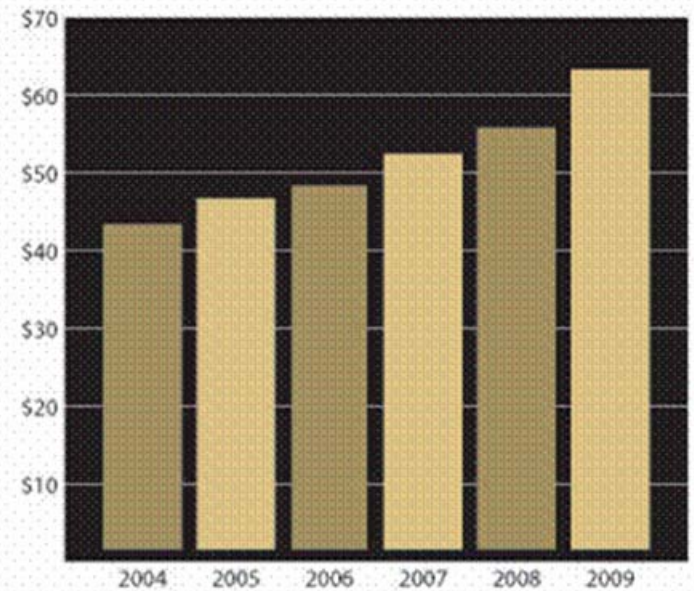
**Oil shale**

High-grade petroleum distilled from sedimentary rock



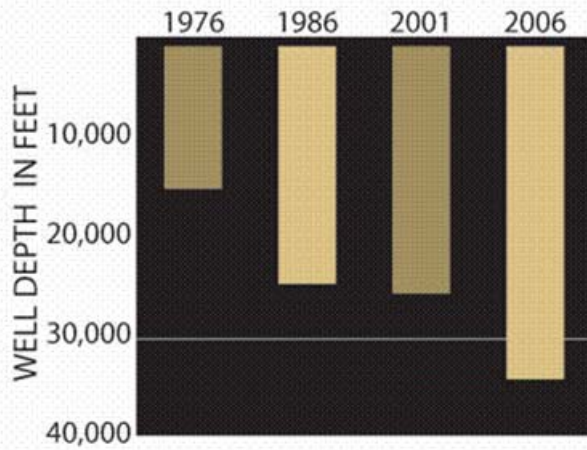
Big Oil is spending heavily to link up remote wells

ENERGY COMPANY IT SPENDING (IN BILLIONS)

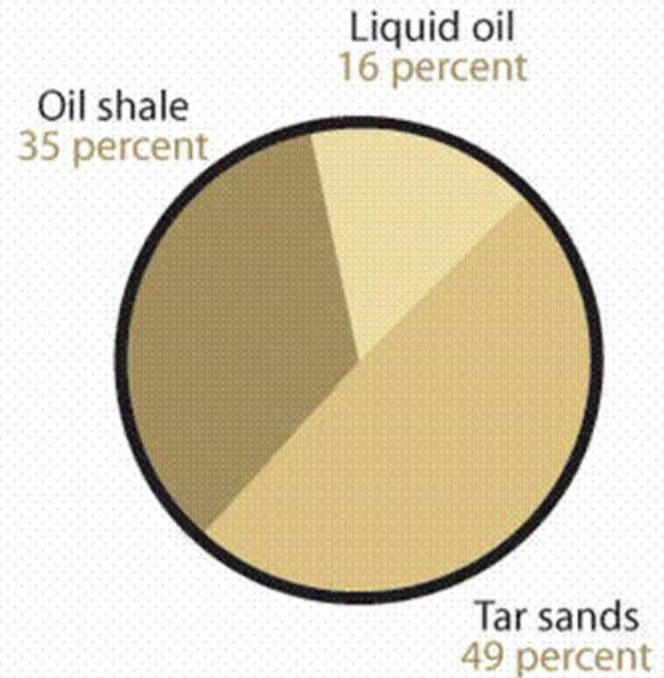




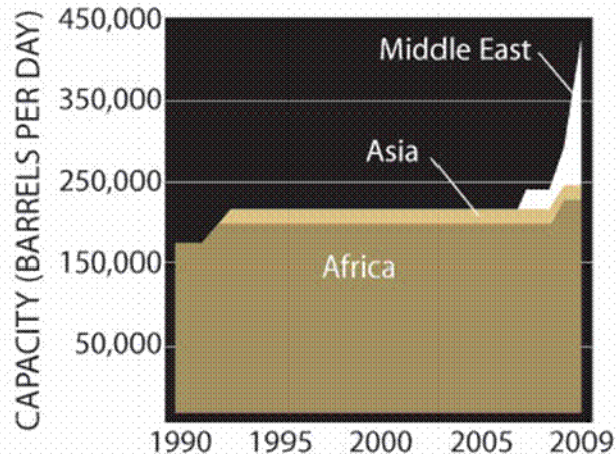
Offshore wells are twice as deep as 30 years ago



Nearly half the world's oil reserves are in tar sands

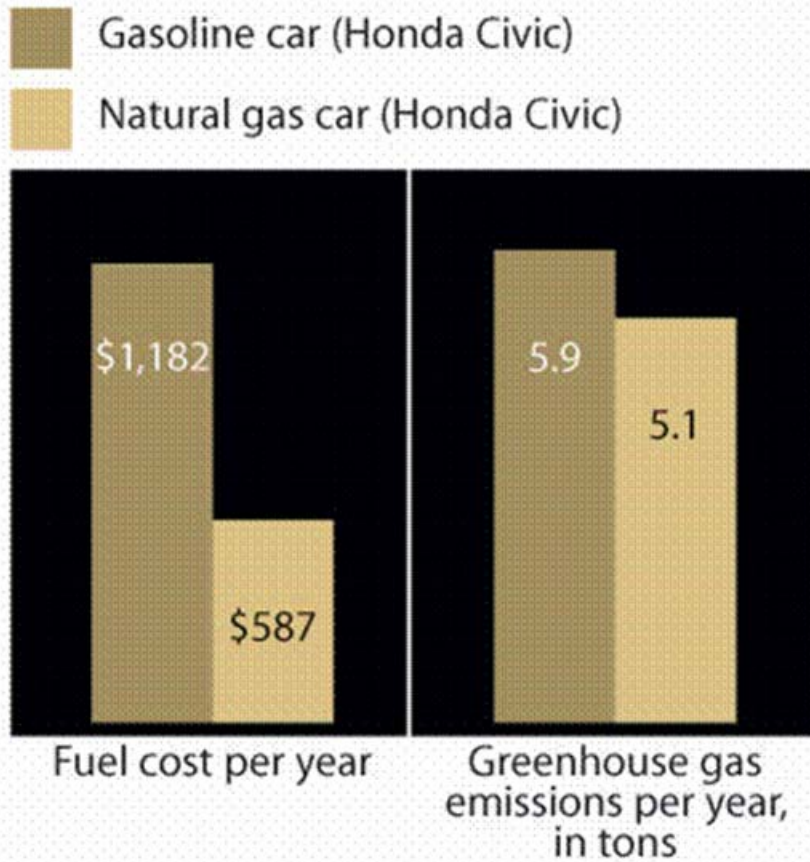


Africa is the chief source of gas-based synfuel

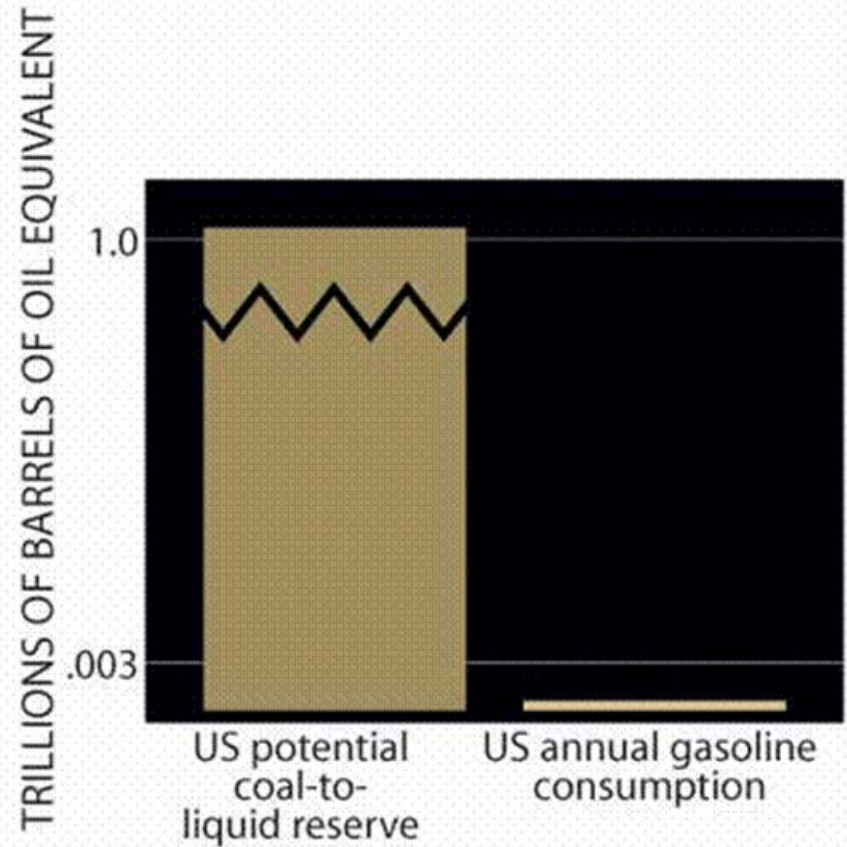


GLOBAL OIL RESERVES

## Compressed natural gas is a cheaper, cleaner fuel



## Liquefied US coal could replace 363 years of gasoline consumption

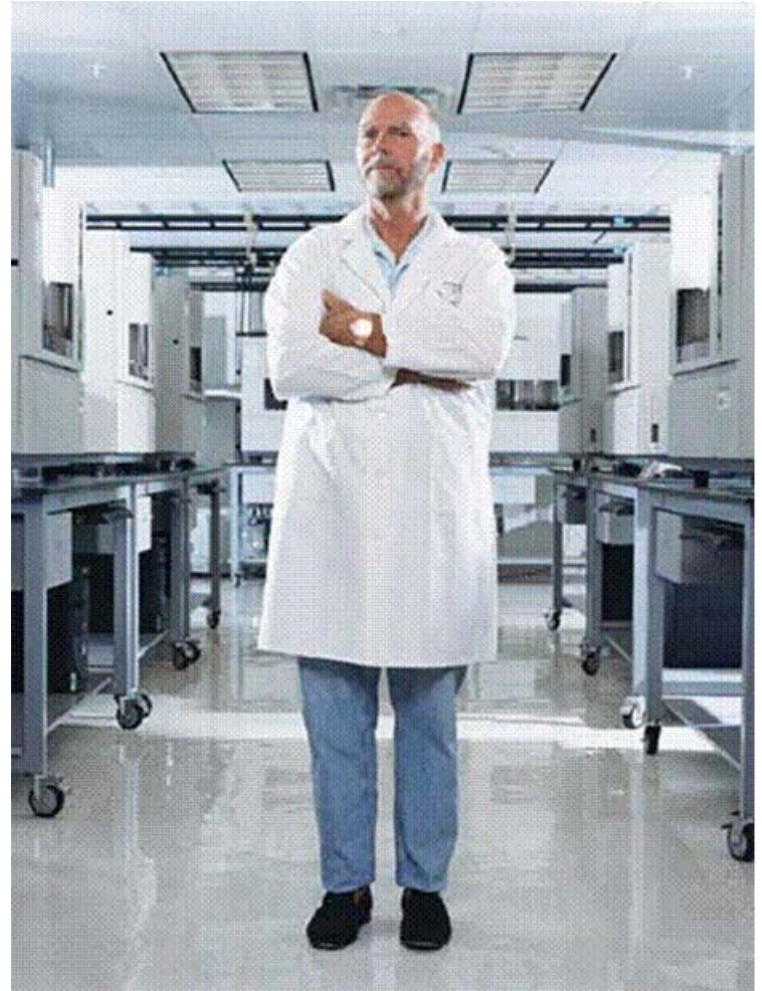
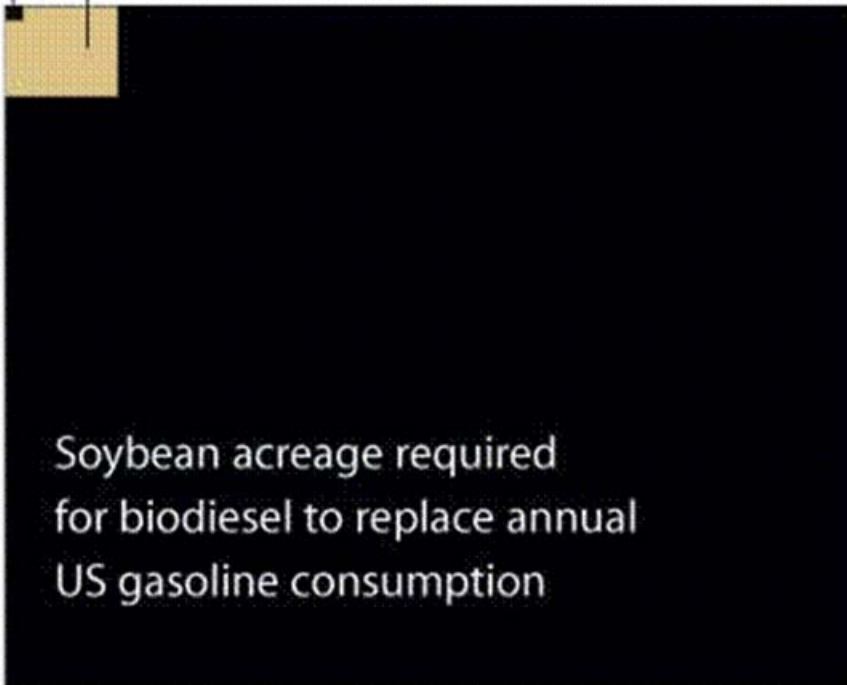




## Biodiesel can help, but it won't meet US needs

Acres devoted to US soybean production in 2005

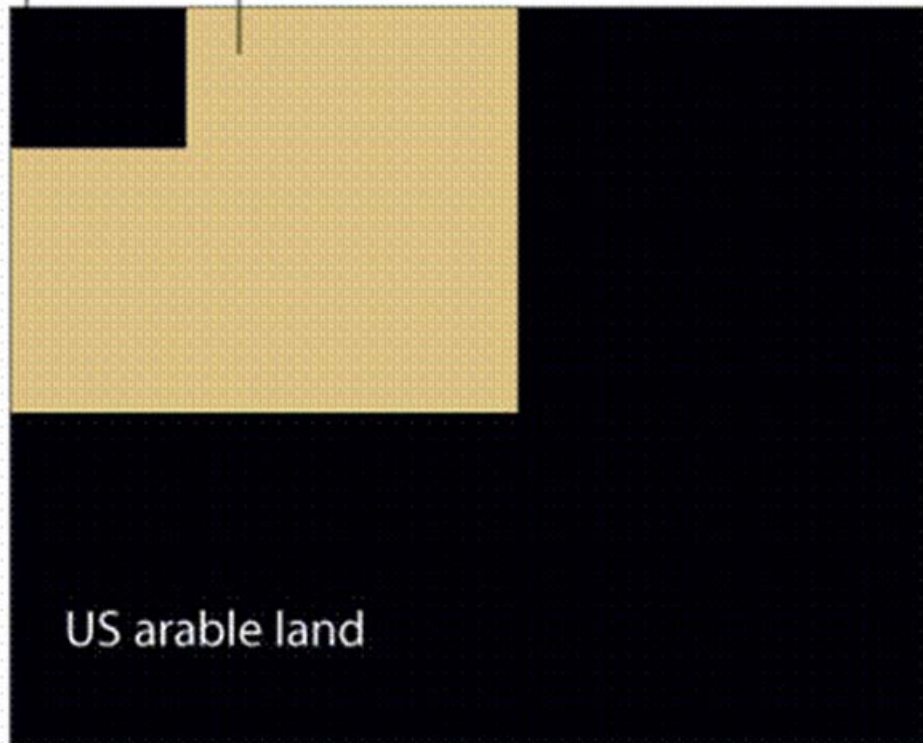
Arable land in the US



# The US has enough land to ditch gas for ethanol

Area devoted to US corn production in 2005

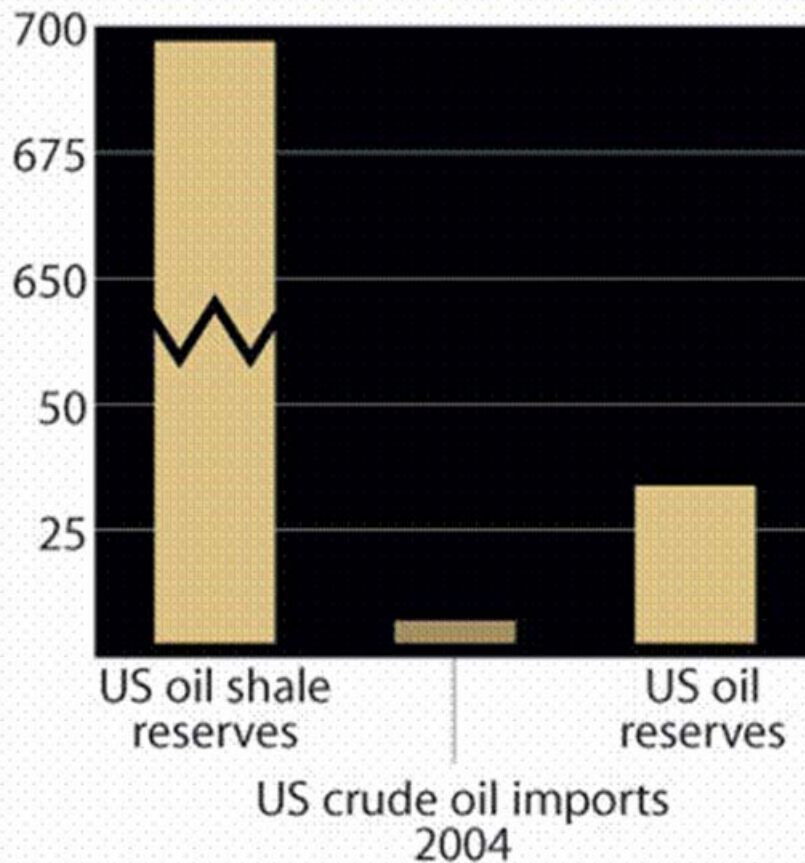
Corn acreage required for ethanol to replace annual US gasoline consumption



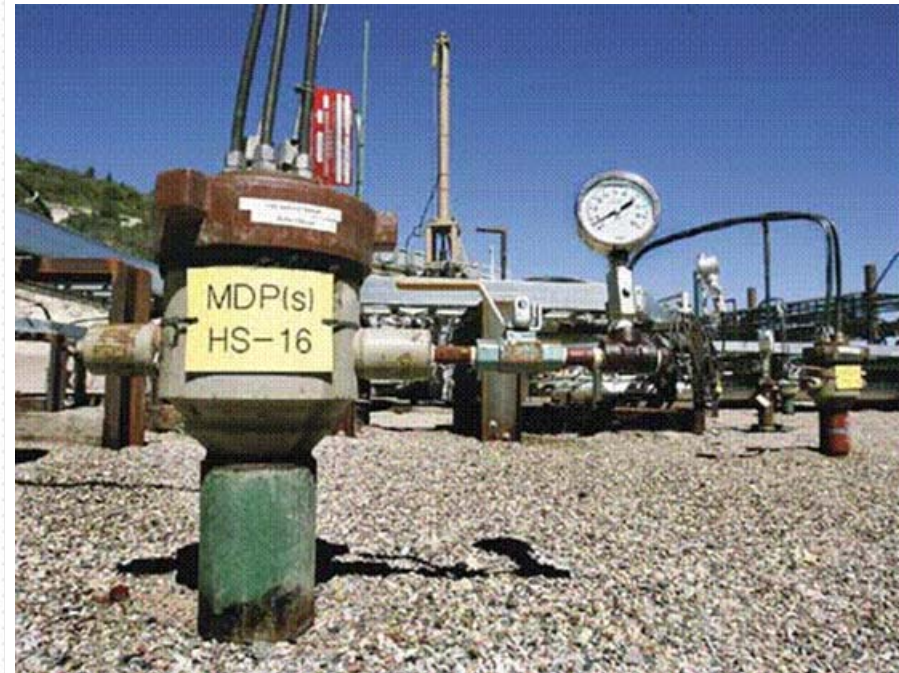


# The US has 85 times more shale oil than crude

BILLIONS OF BARRELS OF OIL OR EQUIVALENT



- Electric heating of oil shale to distill oil
- Cryogenic cooling of surrounding area to contain oil that is released.





## **China's Next Cultural Revolution**

**The People's Republic is on the fast track to become the car capital of the world. And the first alt-fuel superpower.**

By Lisa Margonelli ([Wired Magazine](#))

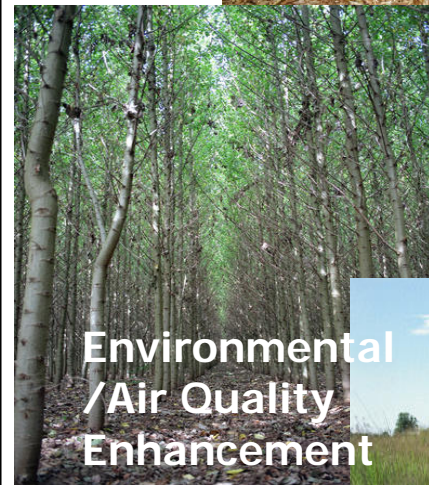
*Lisa Margonelli (margonelli@yahoo.com) is the author of Oil on the Brain: Travels in the World of Petroleum.*

# Biomass

organic matter derived from plant and animal matter

## Kansas and National Resources

|  |                                  |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Switchgrass and big bluestem                                 | Bioethanol, heat and electricity |
| Corn stover and wheat straw                                  | Bioethanol                       |
| Oilseed crops - edible and inedible tallow and waste grasses | Biodiesel                        |
| Landfill gas   | Heat and electricity             |
| Livestock manures  | Heat and electricity             |
| Wood wastes  | Heat and electricity             |



*All of the above can be used to produce alternative liquid fuels, electricity, heat, and/or hydrogen*

Source: Richard Nelson  
K-State Engineering Extension

# Biodiesel Production

*Transesterification* (the biodiesel refining process)

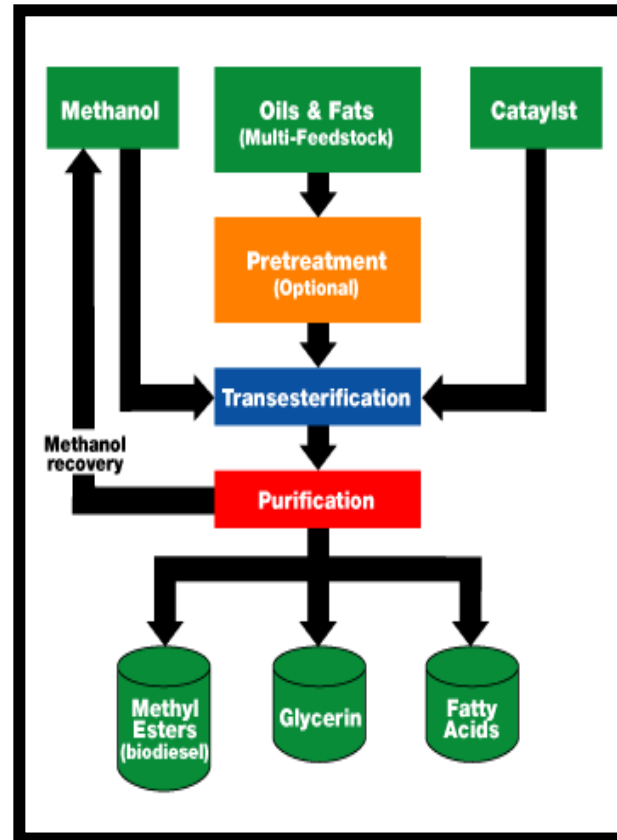
## Combining

Vegetable Oil or  
Animal Fat  
(100 lbs.)  
+  
Methanol or  
Ethanol  
(10 lbs.)

In the presence of a catalyst

## Yields

Biodiesel  
(100 lbs.)  
+  
Glycerine  
(10 lbs.)



## Critical Quality Parameters

- Complete Reaction
- Removal of Glycerin
- Removal of Catalyst
- Removal of Alcohol
- Absence of free fatty acids

Soy, Tallow,  
Waste Grease,  
Sunflower,  
Cottonseed,  
Canola

# National Renewable Fuels Standard (RFS)

Provision in the Energy Policy Act of 2005

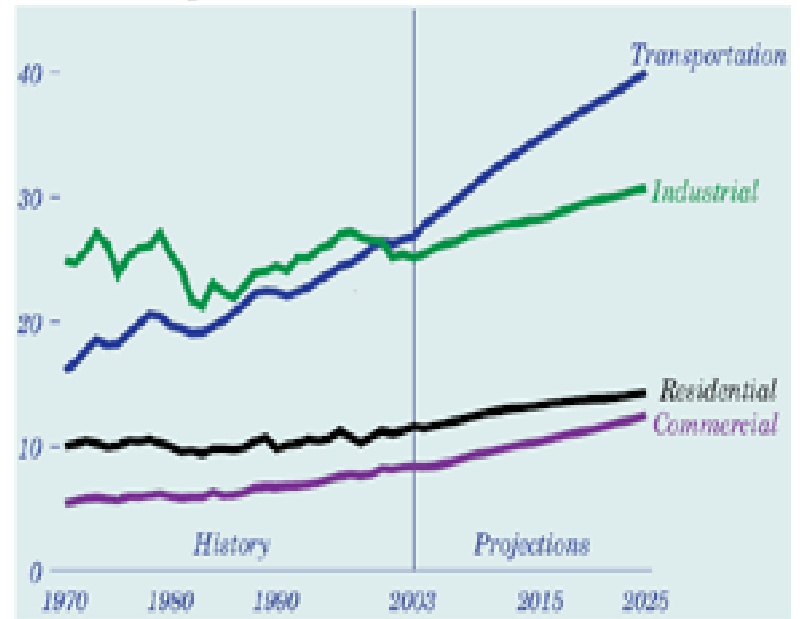
## General Objective

- ▶ Idea is to double the amount of renewable fuels (ethanol and biodiesel) by 2012 to 7.5 billion gallons from current levels of about 3.25 billion gallons
- ▶ No set “split” between ethanol and biodiesel

## Renewable Fuels Standard Projections

|      |                     |
|------|---------------------|
| 2006 | 4.6 billion gallons |
| 2010 | 6.8 billion gallons |
| 2012 | 7.5 billion gallons |

Figure 2. Delivered energy consumption by sector, 1970-2025 (quadrillion Btu)



**Projected Increase in Petroleum Consumption for Transportation to 2025**



# Possible Cellulosic Feedstock Sources

- Agricultural residues
  - Stover, straws, bagasse, alfalfa
- Forestry waste
  - Mill residue, bark, wood chips, thinnings
- Dedicated energy crops
  - Switchgrass, willows, poplars, sorghum, eucalyptus
- Municipal solid waste
  - Yard wastes, paper, packaging, organic wastes



*Difference  
between  
Quantity  
and Supply !*

# U.S. Biodiesel Production Expected to Triple in 2005

*Reporting by Roddy Scheer*

<http://www.emagazine.com/view/?2958>



## State helps finance study on biodiesel plant

By [Mark Fagan](#) ([Contact](#))

Thursday, July 7, 2005

[http://www2.ljworld.com/news/2005/jul/07/state\\_helps\\_finance\\_study\\_biodiesel\\_plant/?business](http://www2.ljworld.com/news/2005/jul/07/state_helps_finance_study_biodiesel_plant/?business)

## Goodland project to produce power, ethanol, biodiesel

The Associated Press  
Thursday, July 7, 2005

## Biodiesel bus test at KU goes 'well'

By [Terry Rombeck](#) ([Contact](#)), [Brooke Wehner](#) ([Contact](#))

Friday, June 3, 2005

**The total cost of growing, harvesting, transporting, and co-firing must be at a cost reflecting a slight premium above the cost of coal.**

**Estimated Cost Per MMBTU For Energy Crops**

| <b>Cost Component:</b> | <b>Base Case</b> | <b>Improved Case</b> |
|------------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Establishment          | \$0.37           | \$0.19               |
| Harvesting             | \$1.88           | \$1.16               |
| Transportation         | \$0.41           | \$0.41               |
| Total                  | \$2.66           | \$1.76               |

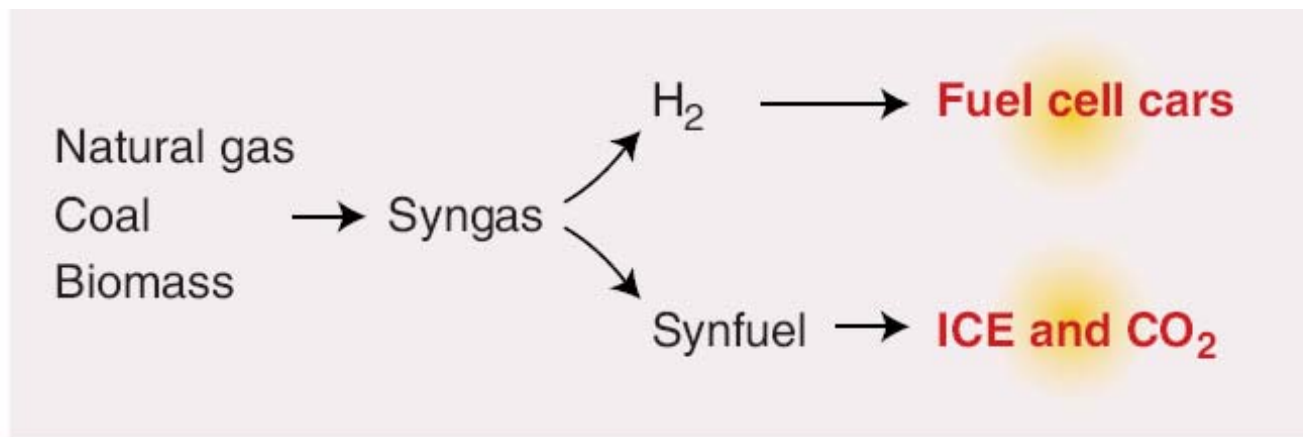
65% cost for harvesting  
Coal: \$1.5 to 1.75 per MMBTU

Base case: crop yields 32 green tons per acre

Improved case: 55 tons per acre

# Making Fuels from Biomass

Jens R. Rostrup-Nielsen

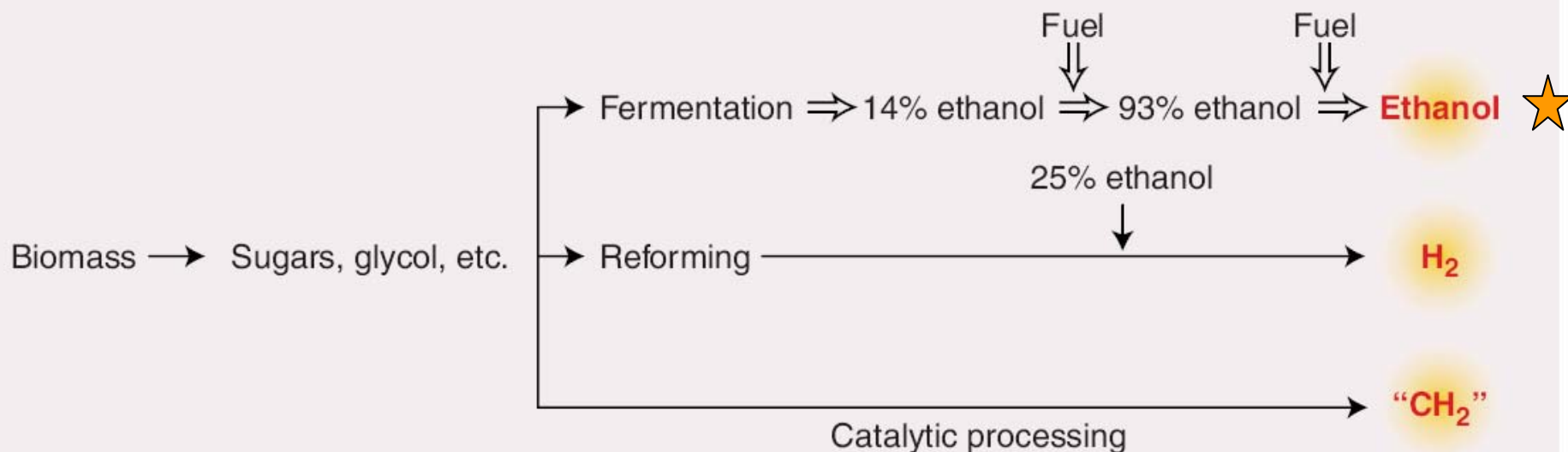


**Fuels via synthesis gas.** One can use synthesis gas to make hydrogen for fuel cell driven cars or convert it into synthetic diesel or gasoline (synfuel) to be used in conventional internal combustion engines (ICE). The conversion of fossil fuels to synfuels does not solve the CO<sub>2</sub> problem. This is achieved by using biomass or by coupling centralized production of hydrogen from fossil fuels with CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration.



# Making Fuels from Biomass

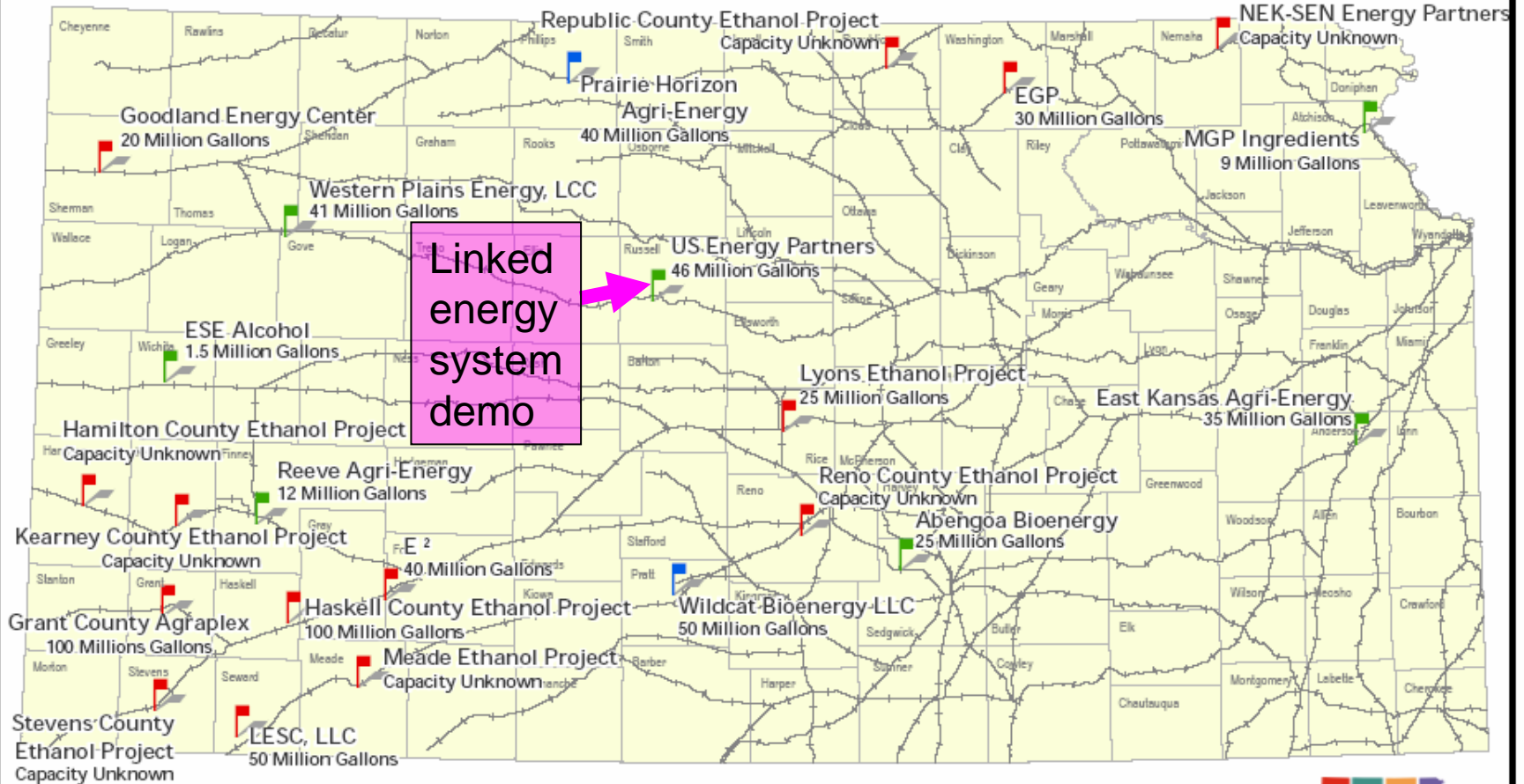
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**Process routes for conversion of carbohydrates to fuels.** These routes include ethanol via fermentation and distillation (**top**), hydrogen via ethanol or directly by liquid-phase steam reforming (**middle**), and hydrocarbons ("CH<sub>2</sub>") by the process described by Huber *et al.* (1) (**bottom**).

# PROPOSED and EXISTING ETHANOL PLANTS in KANSAS

October 2005



Projection Information:  
 Name: Lambert Conformal Conic  
 Datum: NAD83 Spheroid GRS 1980  
 Distance Units: meters

## Legend

- Plant Status**
- Existing
  - Under Construction
  - Proposed

Railroads also shown

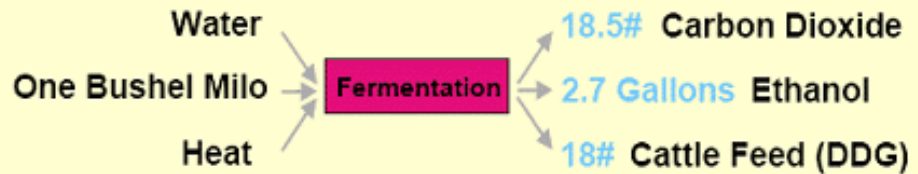
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All data except for the Proposed Coal sites can be downloaded from Kansas Geospatial Community Commons <http://gisdasc.kgs.ku.edu>

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# Russell Linked Energy System



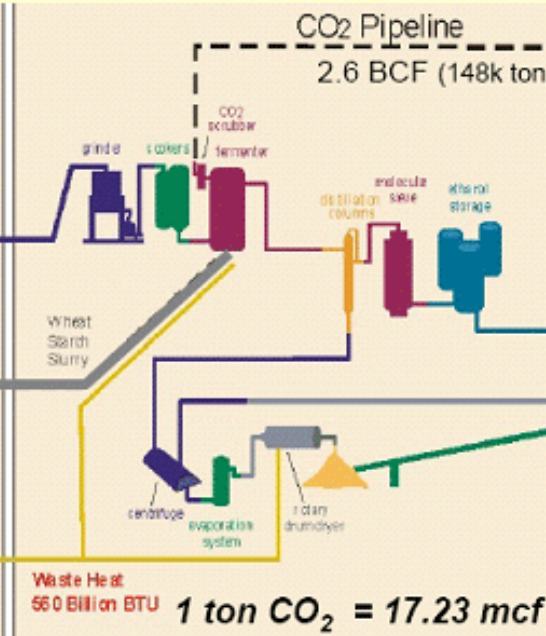
## Raw Materials

### Annual Impact

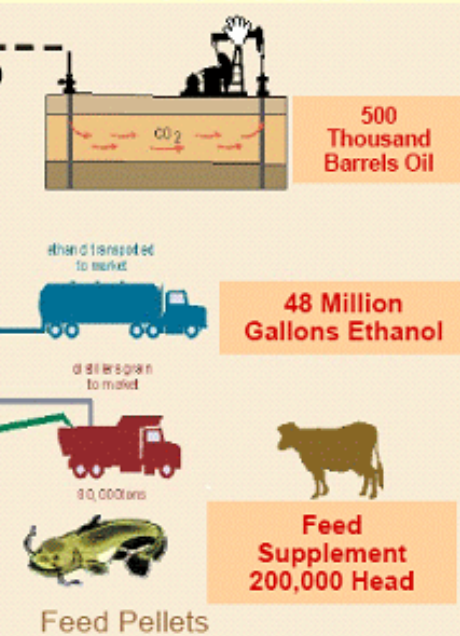


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## Ethanol Plant



## Products

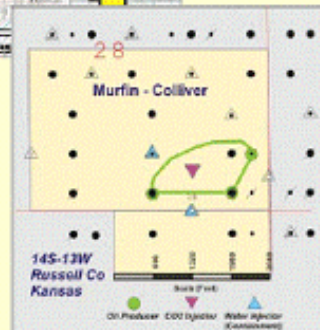
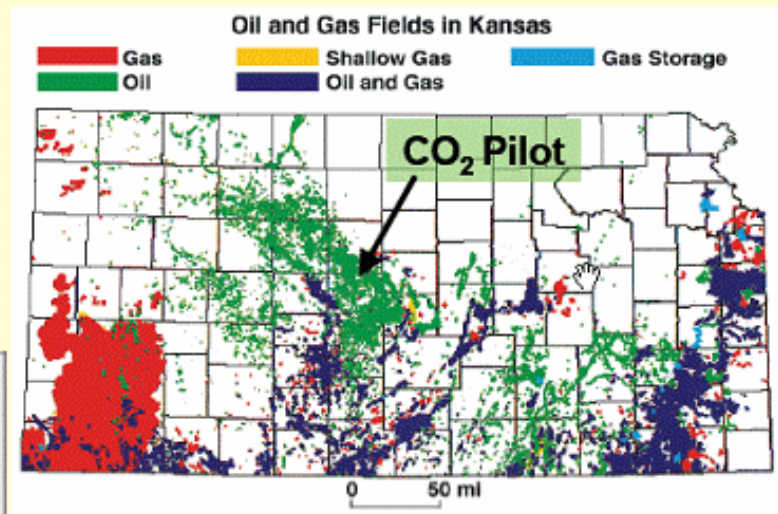
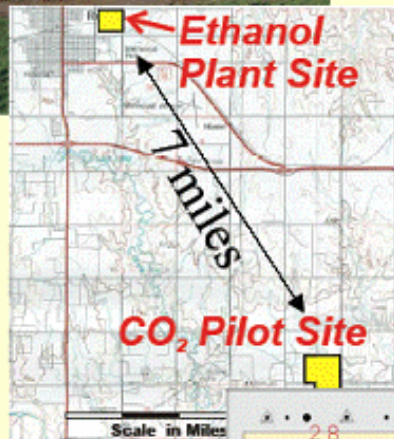
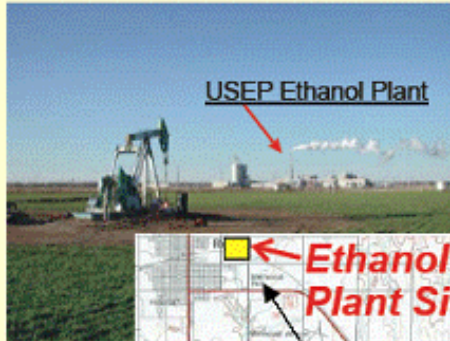


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# Russell, Kansas Project



Russell is centered in oil, grain and cattle region

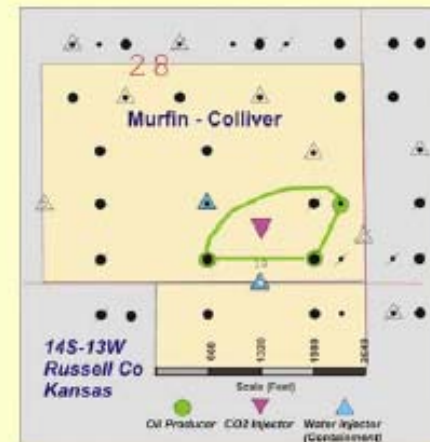
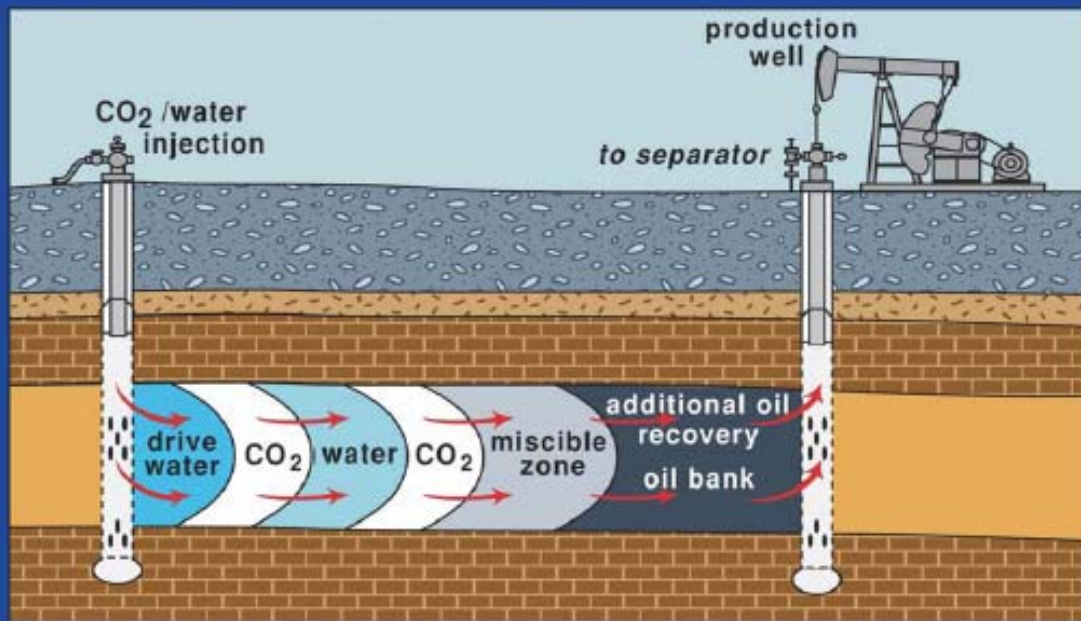
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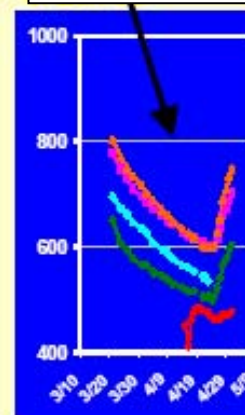


# The CO<sub>2</sub> EOR Oil Resource

## Carbon Dioxide Flooding



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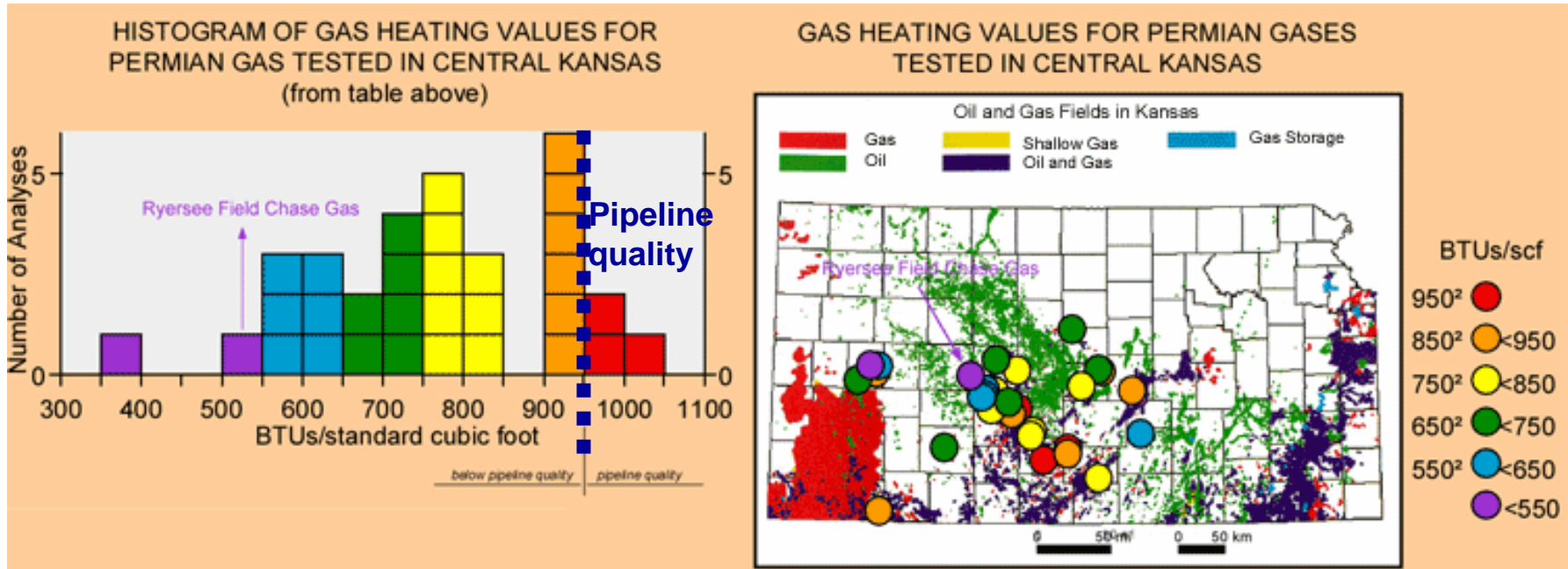


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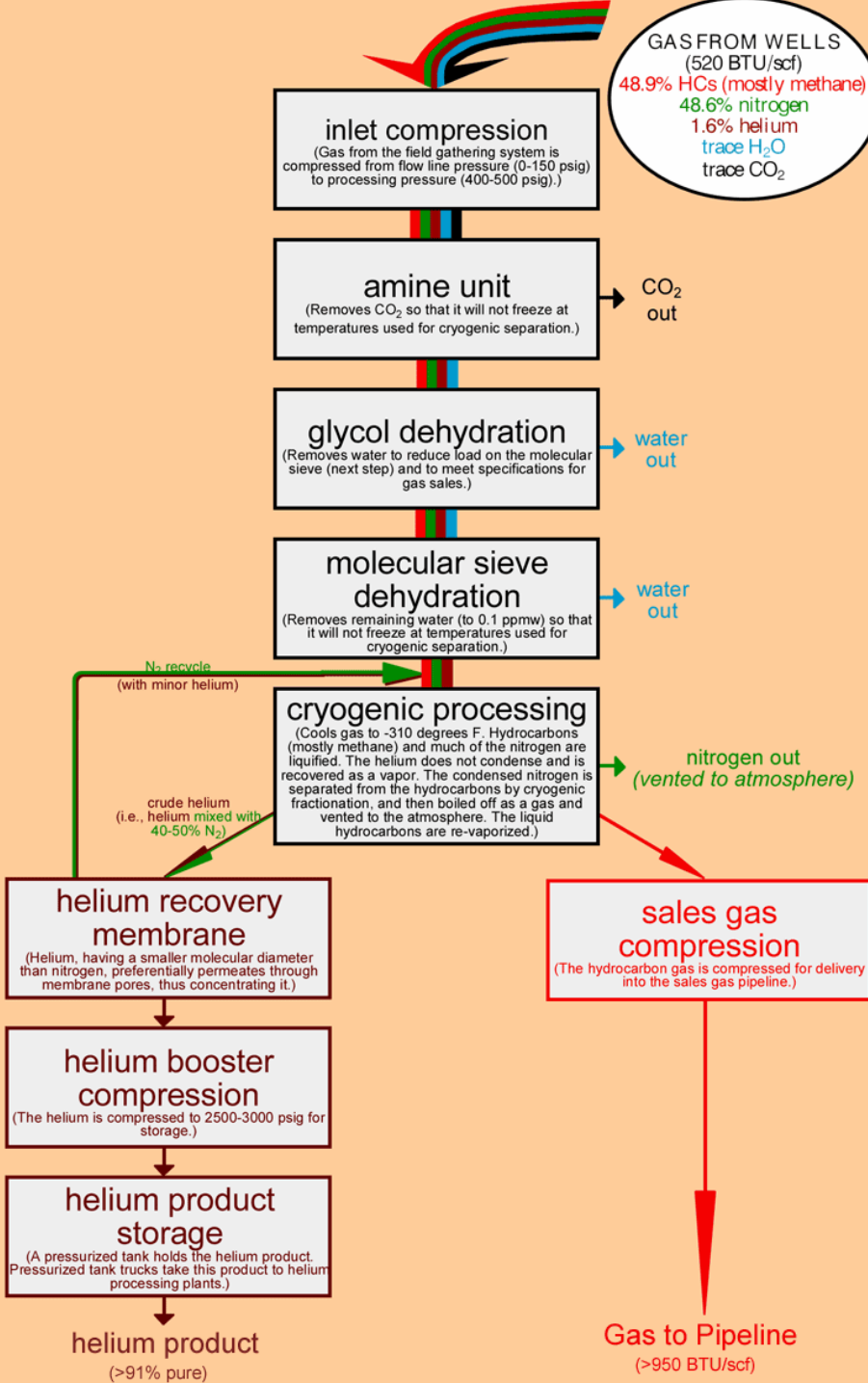
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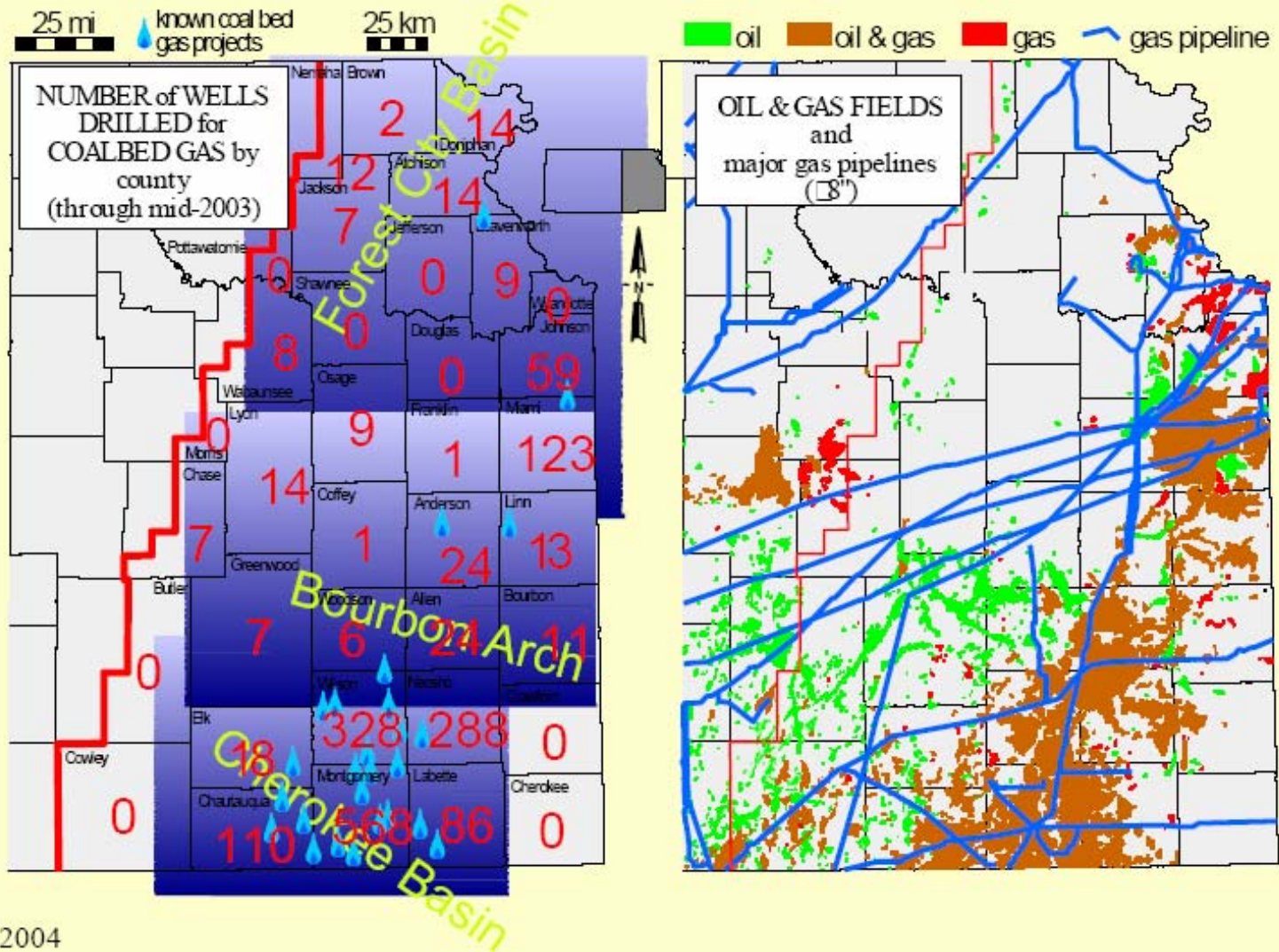


# Separation of Methane and Helium from Raw, low-BTU gas





# Kansas Coalbed Methane Activity

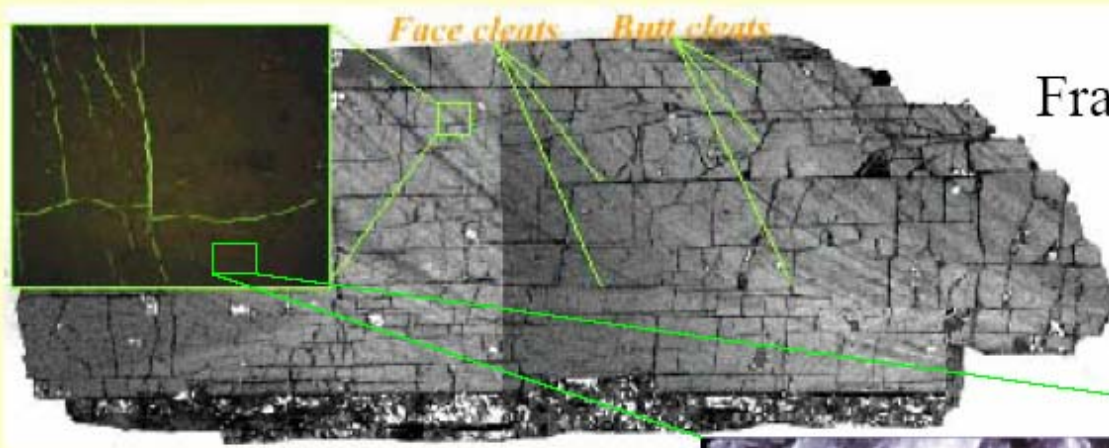


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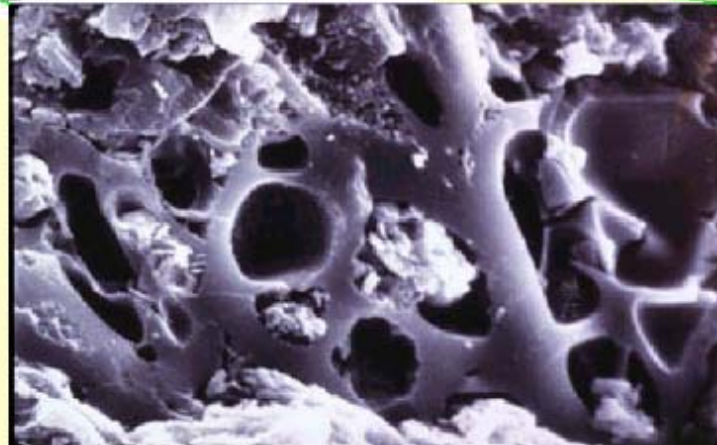


# Coal, an Unconventional Reservoir

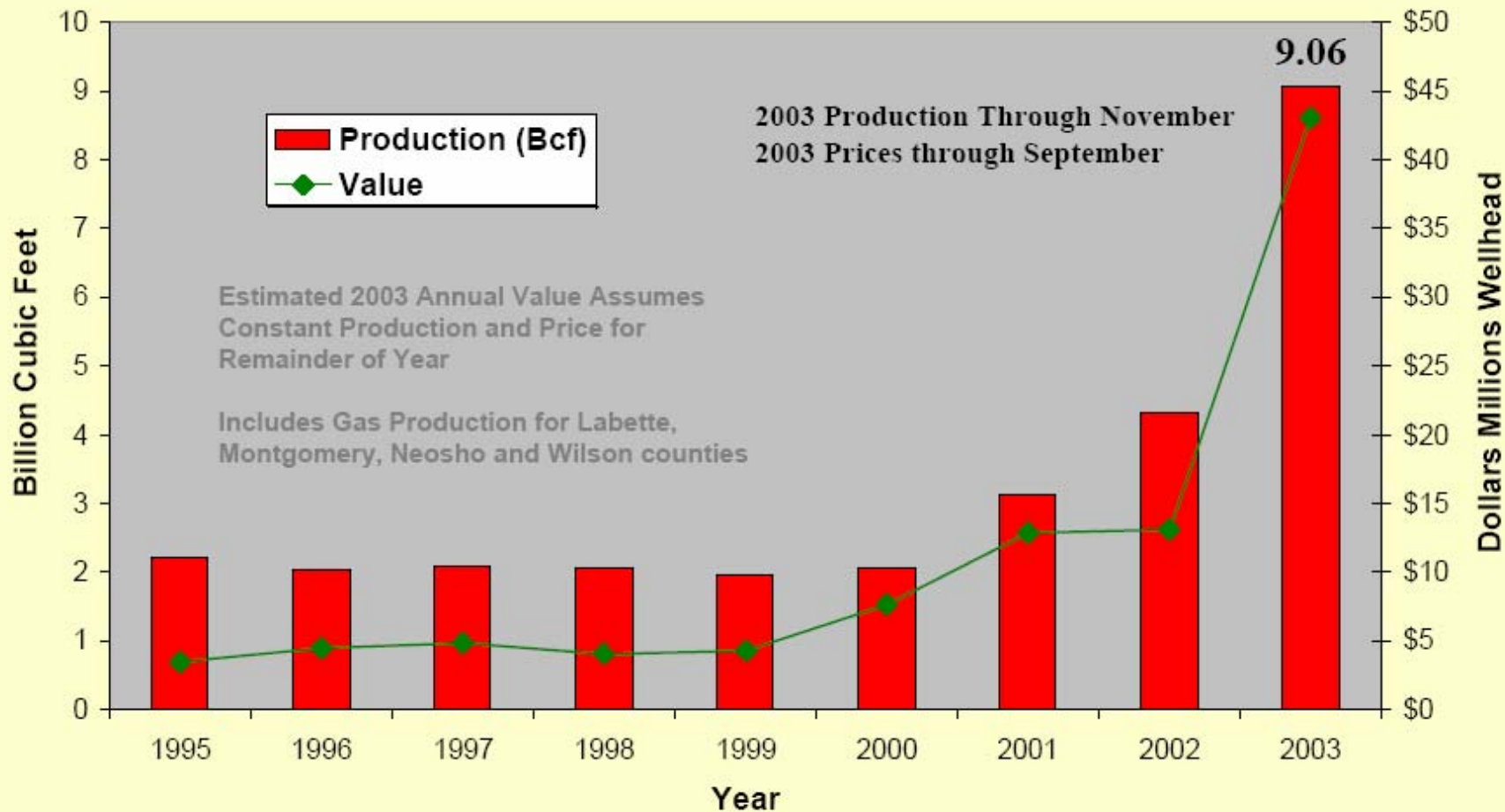


Fractured Reservoir

Micropores



# SE Kansas CBM Production



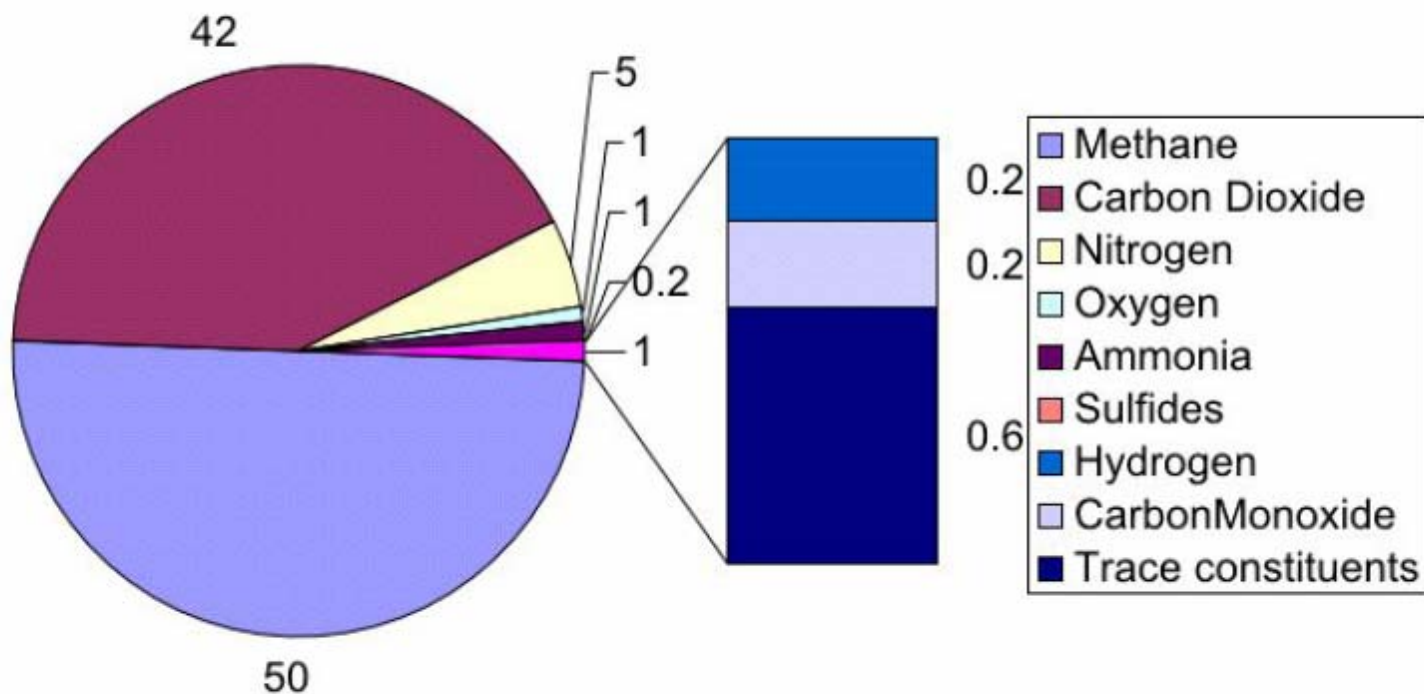
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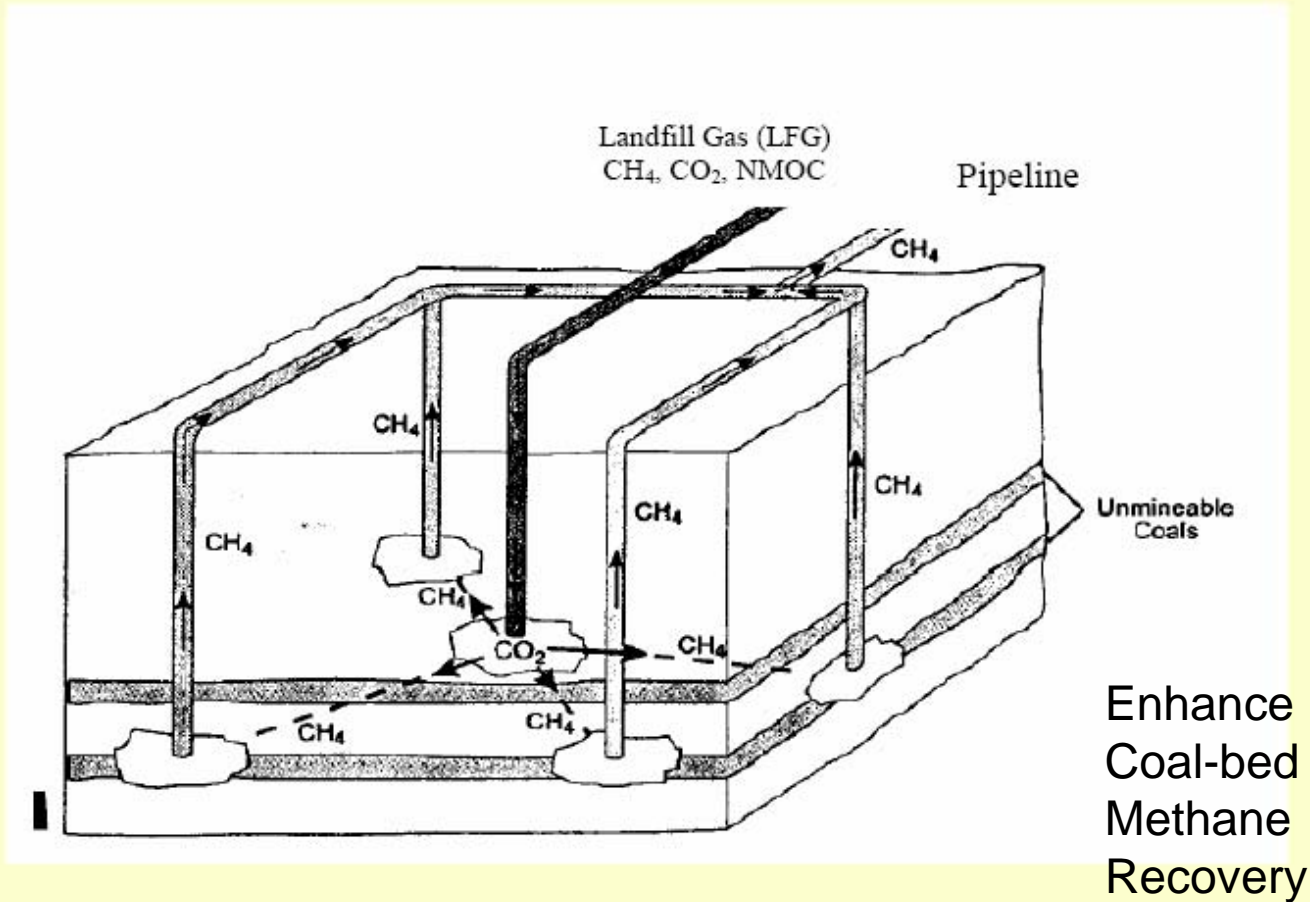


# Landfill Gas

Typical Percentage of Constituents



# Landfill Gas



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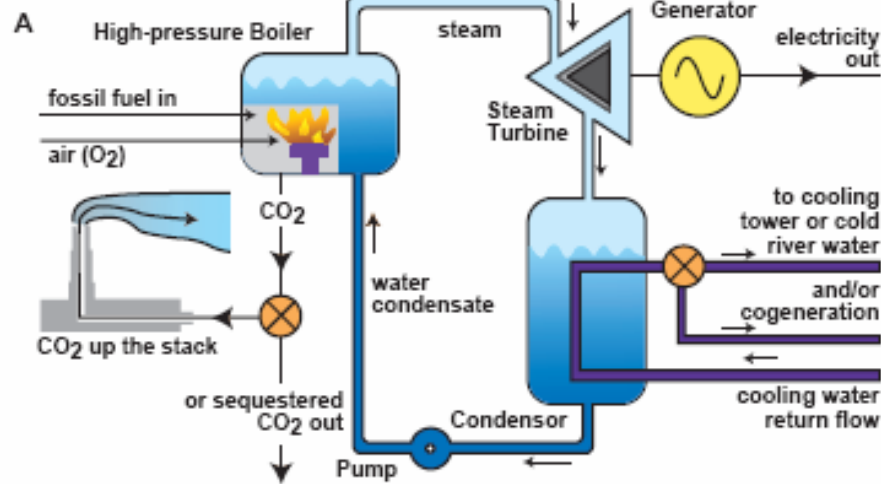




## Advanced Technology Paths to Global Climate Stability: Energy for a Greenhouse Planet

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<http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/reprint/298/5595/981.pdf>



**B**

| Fossil fuel | Energy content [TW-yr] | Carbon content [GtC] | ( $E_{fuel}/C$ ) [TW-yr/GtC] | ( $E/C$ ) [TW-yr/GtC] | Sequestration rate [GtC/yr] |
|-------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Gas         | 1200                   | 570                  | 2.1                          | 1.9 - 1.6             | 5 - 6                       |
| Oil         | 1200                   | 750                  | 1.6                          | 1.4 - 1.2             | 7 - 8                       |
| Coal        | 4800                   | 3690                 | 1.3                          | 1.2 - 1.0             | 9 - 10                      |

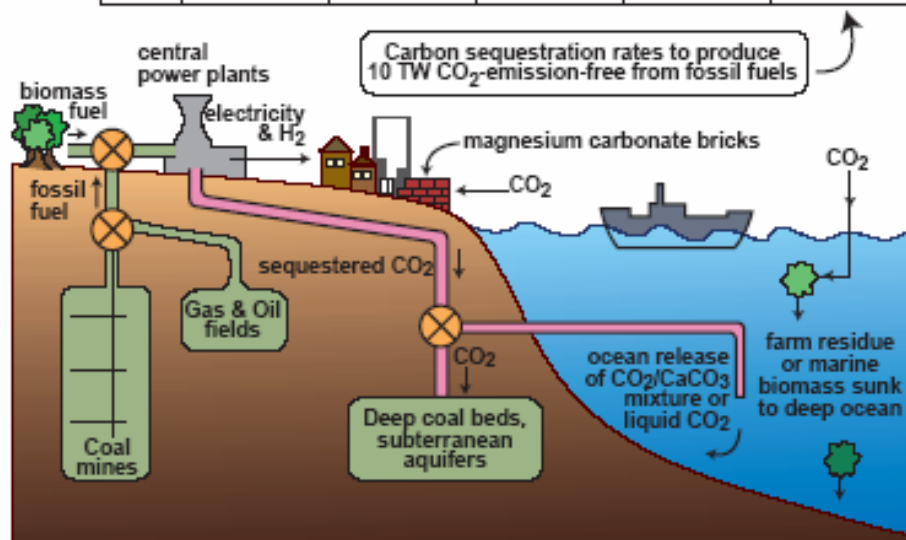
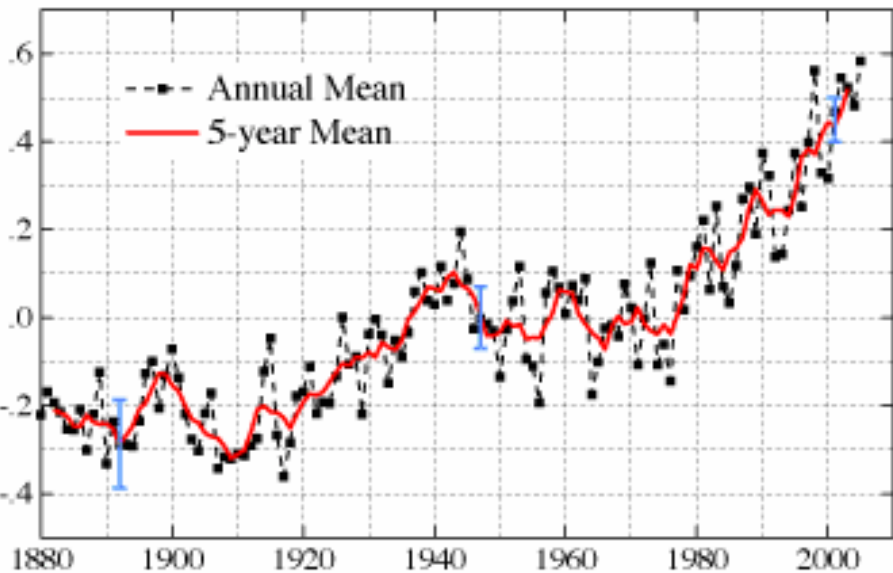


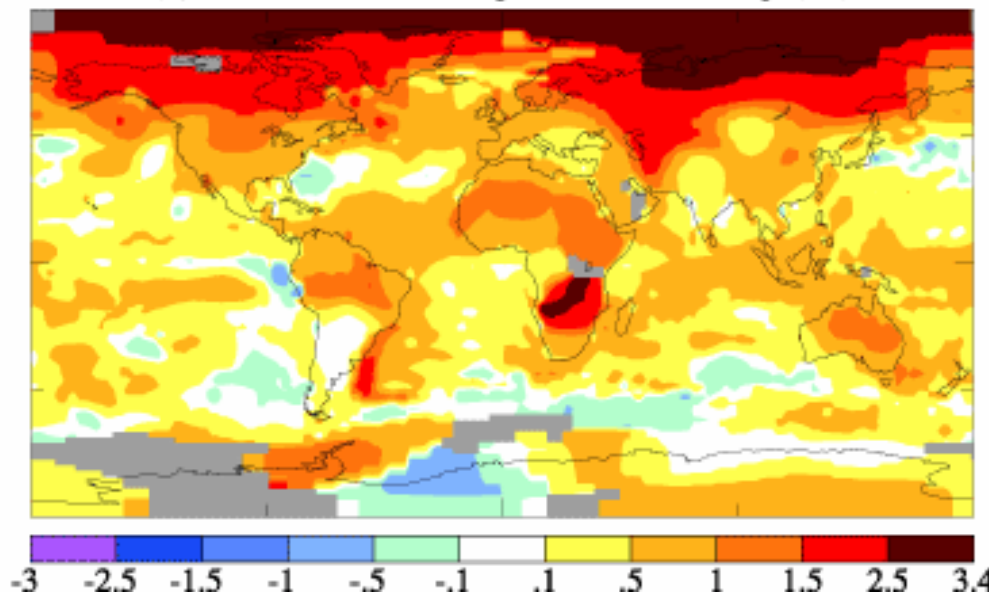
Fig. 1. (A) Fossil fuel electricity from steam turbine cycles. (B) Collecting CO<sub>2</sub> from central plants and air capture, followed by subterranean, ocean, and/or solid carbonate sequestration, could foster emission-free electricity and hydrogen production, but huge processing and sequestration rates are needed (5 to 10 GtC year<sup>-1</sup> to produce 10 TW emission-free assuming energy penalties of 10 to 25%).

# Global Temperature Trends: 2005 Summation

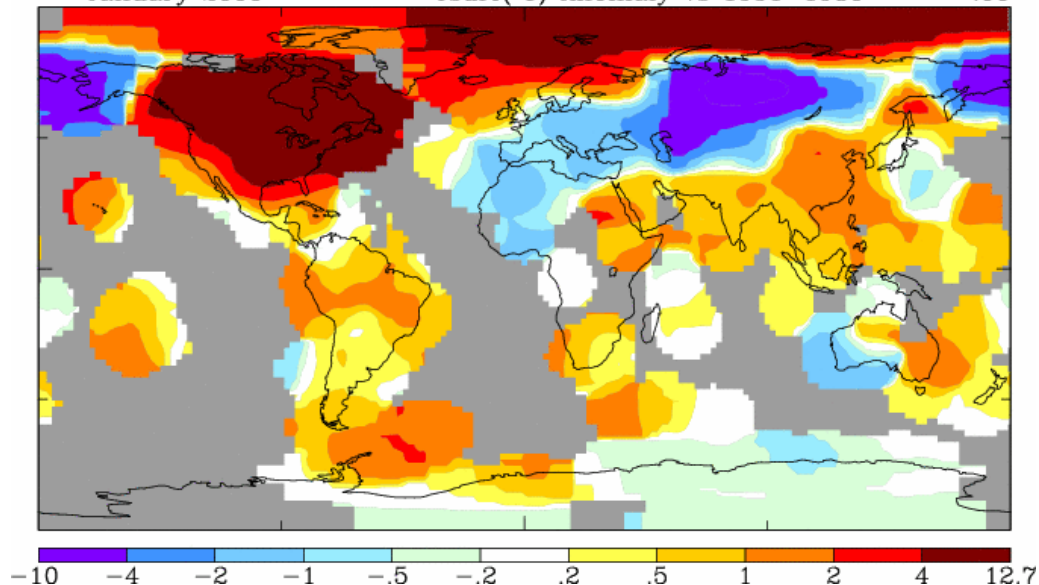
(a) Global-Mean Surface Temperature Anomaly (°C)



(b) 2005 Surface Temperature Anomaly (°C)



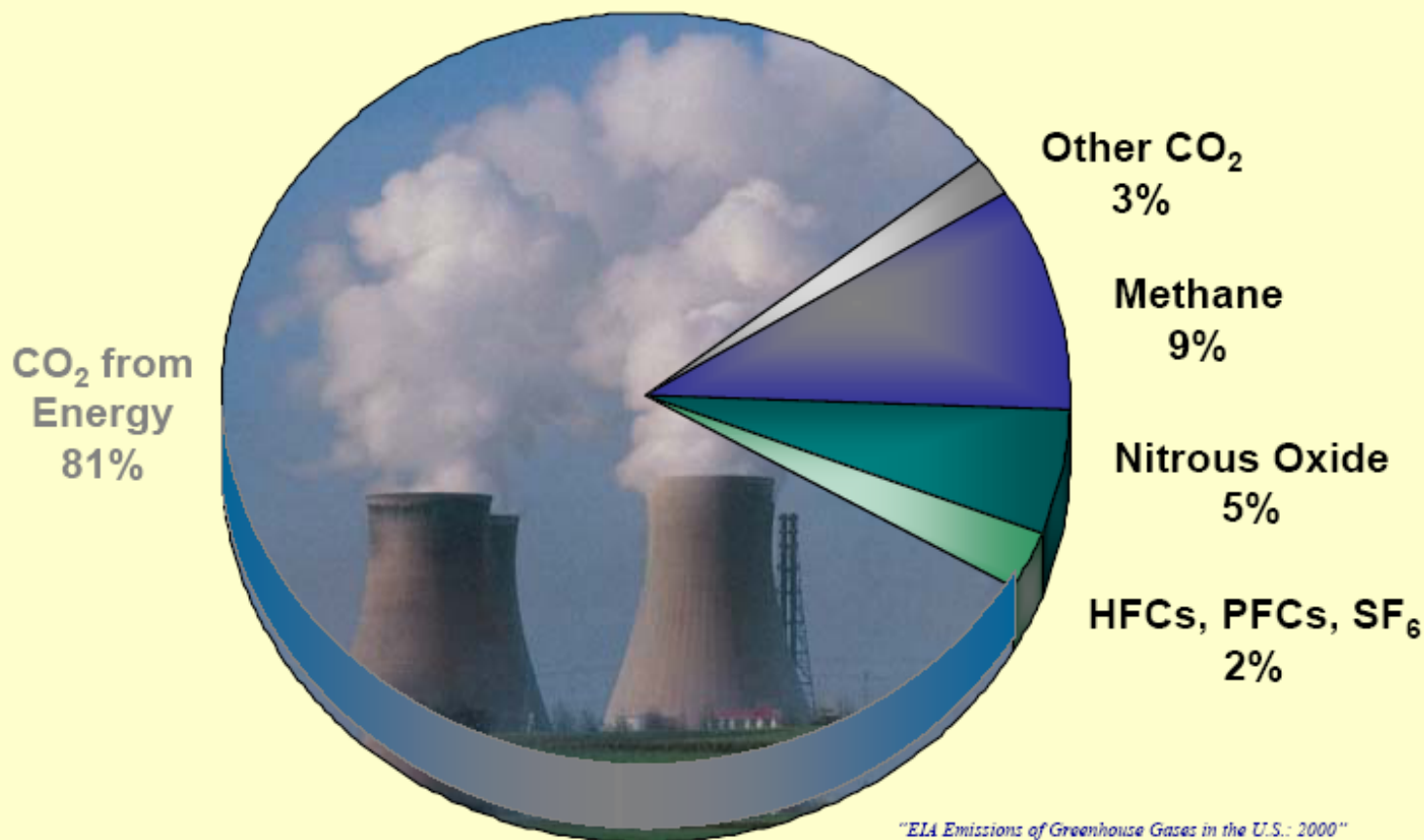
January 2006 Tsurf(°C) Anomaly vs 1951-1980 .60



**January 2006  
was not warm everywhere  
in the northern hemisphere**

# CO<sub>2</sub> & CH<sub>4</sub> Primary GHG Contributors

United States Greenhouse Gas Emissions  
(Equivalent Global Warming Basis)



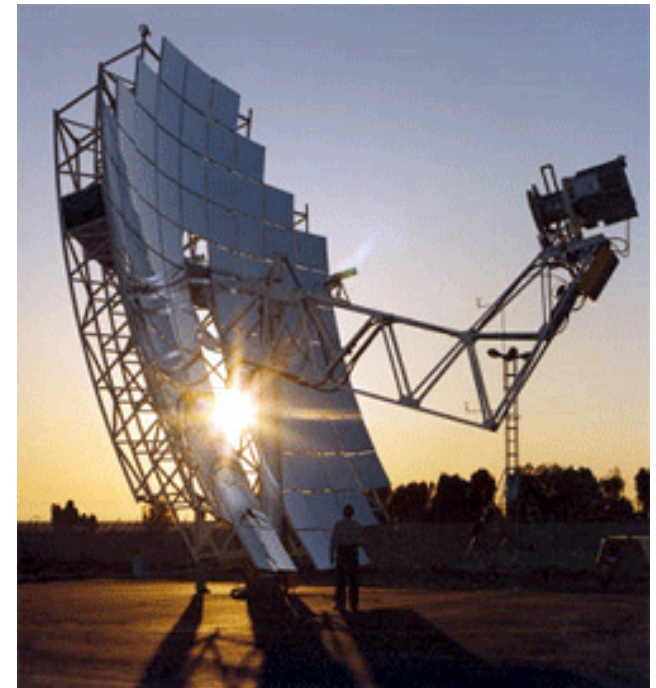
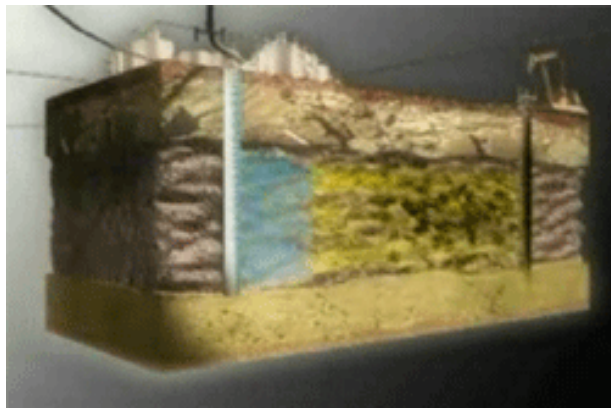
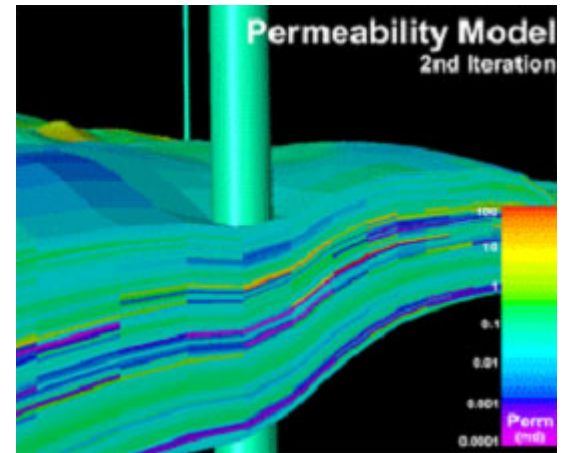
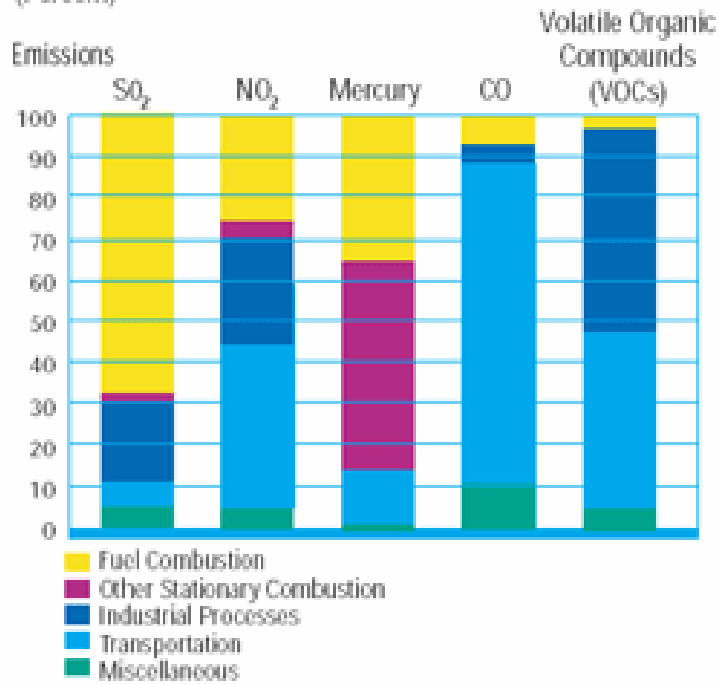
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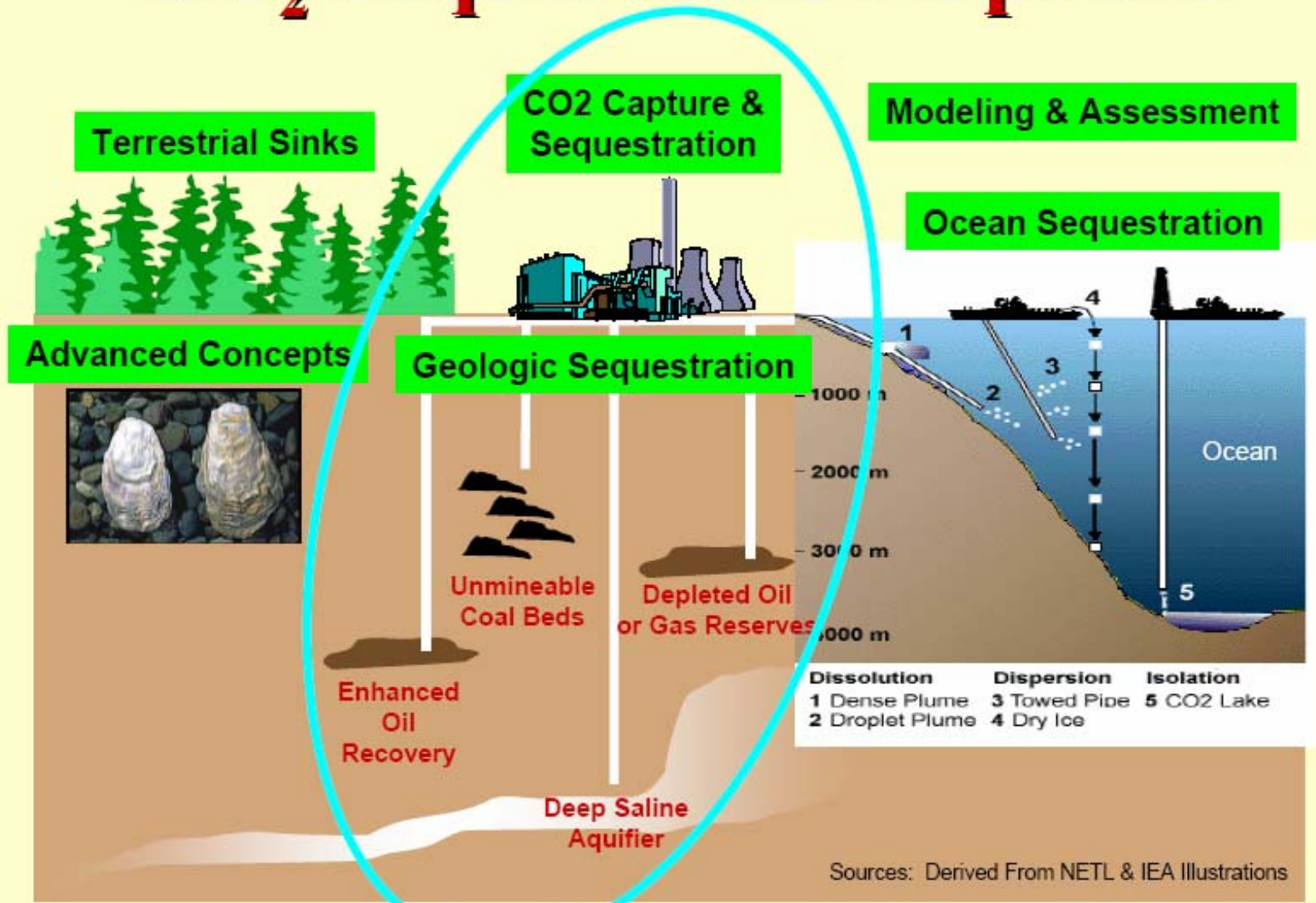
# Sources of Pollutants from Energy Generation and Use

(Percent)





# CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration Options

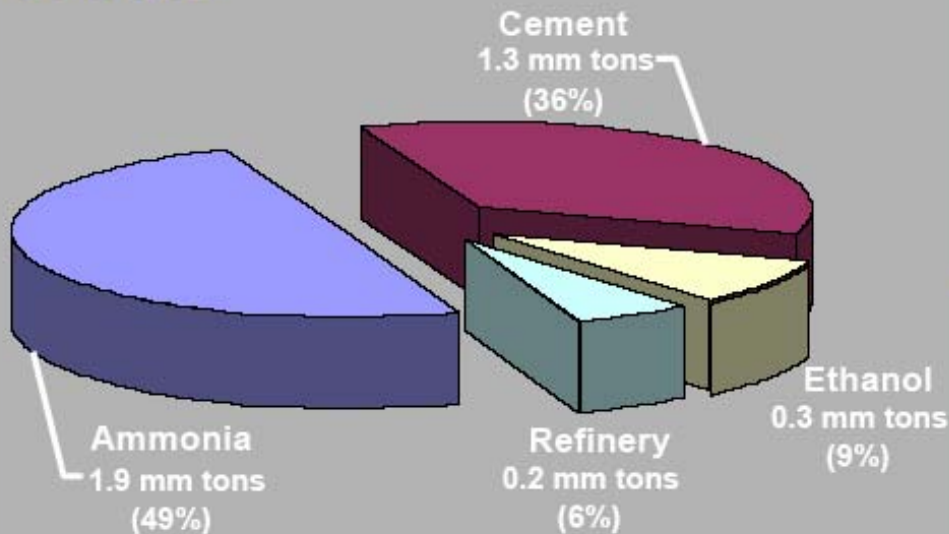


# Kansas Sources for CO<sub>2</sub> Capture

## Primary Sources



## Non-combustion Sources



Annual CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions



# The Greenland Ice Sheet and Global Sea-Level Rise

Julian A. Dowdeswell

The flow of several large glaciers draining the Greenland Ice Sheet is accelerating. This change, combined with increased melting, suggests that existing estimates of future sea-level rise are too low.



The changing mass of the great ice sheets of Greenland and Antarctica represents the largest unknown in predictions of global sea-level rise over the coming decades. At 1.7 million km<sup>2</sup>, up to 3 km thick, and a little smaller than Mexico, the Greenland Ice Sheet would raise global sea level by about 7 m if it melted completely. This could take from a millennium to a few thousand years (if melting were the only mechanism by which it lost mass) depending on the magnitude of future warming (1). Of more immediate concern are several sets of new observations, derived largely from remote-sensing satellites. As reported by Rignot and Kanagaratnam (2) on page 986 of this issue, the velocities of several large glaciers draining the ice sheet to the sea, already among the fastest-flowing on Earth, have recently doubled to reach over 12 km year<sup>-1</sup>. In addition, the ice sheet has experienced a greater area of surface melting this year than at any time since systematic satellite monitoring began in 1979 (3). Both these changes increase mass loss from the ice sheet, with the implication that current estimates of global sea-

level rise over the next century, of about  $0.5 \pm 0.4$  m (4), may be underestimated.

The Greenland Ice Sheet gains mass through snowfall and loses it by surface melting and runoff to the sea, together with the production of icebergs and melting at the base of its floating ice tongues. The difference between these gains and losses is the mass balance; a negative balance contributes to global sea-level rise and vice versa. About half of the discharge from the ice sheet is through 12 fast-flowing outlet glaciers, most no more than 10 to 20 km across at their seaward margin, and each fed from a large interior basin of about 50,000 to 100,000 km<sup>2</sup>. As a result, the mass balance of the ice sheet depends quite sensitively on the behavior of these outlet glaciers.

Two changes to these glaciers have been observed recently. First, the floating tongues or ice shelves of several outlet glaciers, each several hundred meters thick and extending up to tens of kilometers beyond the grounded glaciers, have broken up in the past few years (5). Second, measurements of ice velocity made with satellite radar interferometric methods have demonstrated that flow rates of these glaciers have approximately doubled over the past 5 years or so (2, 5). The effect has been to discharge more

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Hybrids: now; on the horizon -- plug-in *when batteries evolve*

Fuel-Cells: probably commercial in 2015 to 2020

Electric: Lithium-ion batteries and beyond  
will make electric cars practical

Clean diesel: now, but not readily available  
low sulfur/particulates

Flex-fuel: E85/85% ethanol -- now.



# Ethanol

- E85 (85% ethanol) gasoline replacement
  - Fewer total toxics
  - Reduced ozone-forming volatile organics (15%)
  - Reduced carbon monoxide (40%)
  - Reduced nitrogen oxide (10%)
  - Reduced sulfate (80%)
  - Lower reactivity of hydrocarbon emissions
  - Higher ethanol and acetaldehyde emissions

Fermenting plant sugars from anything containing sugar, starch, or cellulose  
More than 90% of ethanol comes from corn  
FFV's – flexible fuel vehicles

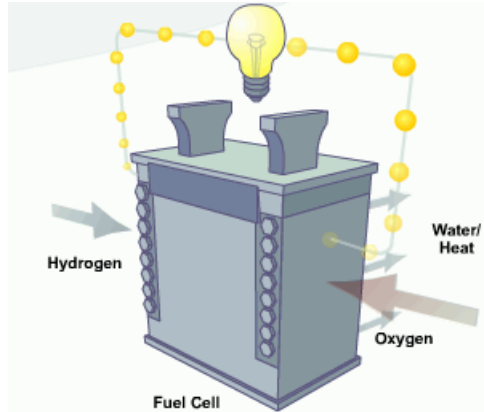
# Fischer-Tropsch Liquids

- Convert coal, natural gas, and low-value refinery products to high-value, clean-burning fuel (*syngas*).
- Colorless, odorless, low toxicity.
- Interchangeable with conventional diesel fuel or blended with diesel at any ratio
- NO<sub>2</sub> reduction, low particulates, reduced hydrocarbon and CO emissions
- 10% more cost than diesel
- Low availability

# Liquified Natural Gas

- Almost 100% methane
- Half particulates of diesel
- Reduced CO, N<sub>2</sub>, and volatile HC
- Drastic reductions in toxic and carcinogenic pollutants
- Only fleet vehicle outdoors
- Expensive to equip vehicle

# Fuel Cells



***“With a new national commitment, our scientists and engineers will overcome obstacles to taking these cars from laboratory to showroom, so that the first car driven by a child born today could be powered by hydrogen, and pollution-free.”***

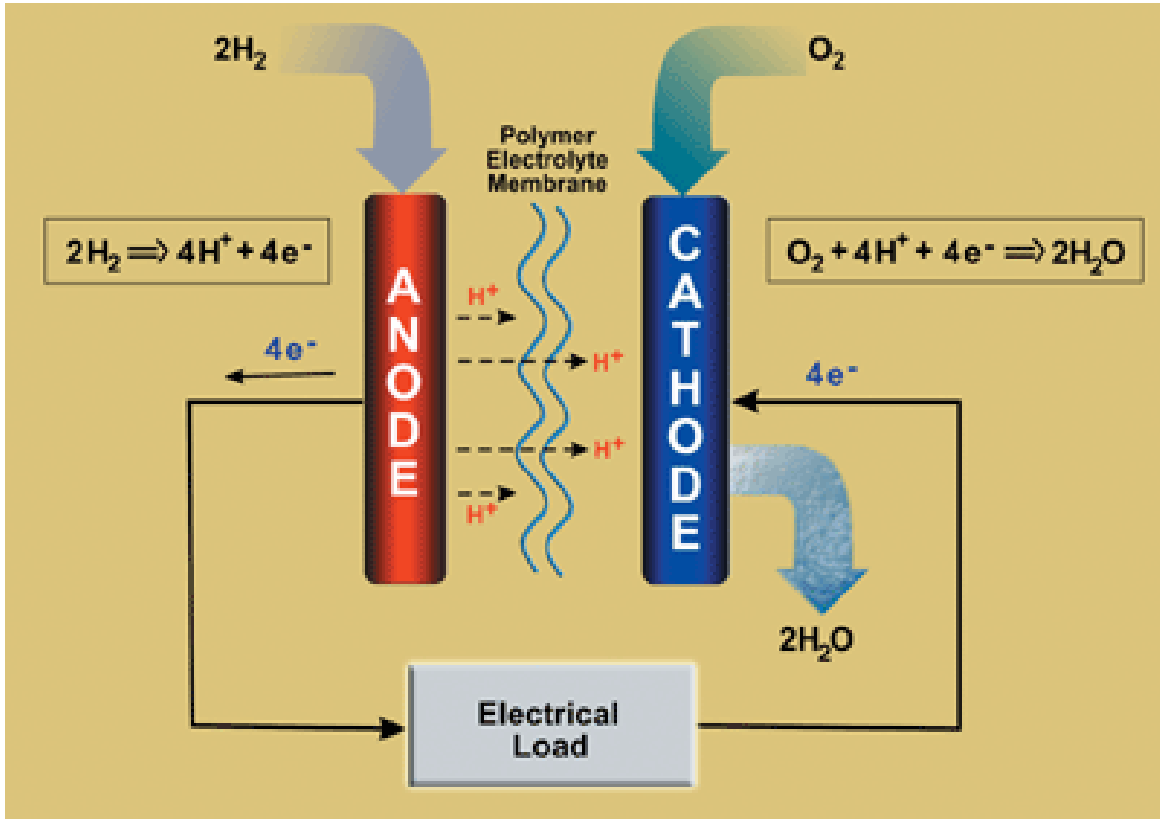
**2003 State of the Union Address**



# Fuel Cells

In the near term, pilot hydrogen fueling facilities are being developed that are based on liquid hydrogen, natural gas (steam methane reforming), and electricity (electrolysis). As an alternative, some manufacturers are considering using fuel reformers to allow fuel cell vehicles to use conventional fuels or chemical hydrogen storage.

# Fuel Cells



All fuel cells contain two electrodes - one positively and one negatively charged - with a substance that conducts electricity (electrolyte) sandwiched between them.

Fuel cells operating on pure hydrogen achieve zero emissions. Fuel cells can achieve 40 to 70 percent efficiency, which is substantially greater than the 30 percent efficiency of the most efficient internal combustion engines.

# Fuel Cell Types

**Proton Exchange Membrane** (PEM -- sometimes also called "polymer electrolyte membrane") - Considered the leading fuel cell type for passenger car application; operates at relatively low temperatures and has a high power density.

**Phosphoric Acid** - The most commercially developed fuel cell; generates electricity at more than 40 percent efficiency.

**Molten Carbonate** - Promises high fuel-to-electricity efficiencies and the ability to utilize coal-based fuels.

**Solid Oxide** - Can reach 60 percent power-generating efficiencies and be employed for large, high powered applications such as industrial generating stations.

**Alkaline** - Used extensively by the space program; can achieve 70 percent power-generating efficiencies, but is considered too costly for transportation applications.

**Direct Methanol** - Expected efficiencies of 40 percent with low operating temperatures; able to use hydrogen from methanol without a reformer. (A reformer is a device that produces hydrogen from another fuel like natural gas, methanol, or gasoline for use in a fuel cell.)

**Regenerative** - Currently being researched by NASA; closed loop form of power generation that uses solar energy to separate water into hydrogen and oxygen.

# Fuel Cell Research



## **Deadline Extended for Hydrogen Production Cost Request January 26, 2006**

Through a *Federal Register* Notice ([PDF 93 KB](#)) released January 12, 2006, the Department of Energy (DOE) requested information to support an independent progress assessment by the DOE Hydrogen Program in meeting research and development cost goals for hydrogen production using distributed natural gas reforming technology. [Download Adobe Reader.](#)

To be economically competitive with the present fossil fuel economy, the cost of fuel cells must be lowered by a factor of ten or more and the cost of producing hydrogen must be lowered by a factor of four. In addition, the performance and reliability of hydrogen and fuel cell technologies must be improved dramatically.

<http://www.hydrogen.energy.gov/research.html> (Feb. 2006)





# Fuel Cell Research



## Roadmap on Manufacturing R&D

DOE maps the path to a hydrogen-powered future in its *Roadmap on Manufacturing R&D for the Hydrogen Economy* ([PDF 2.04 MB](#)).

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**Released in January 2006**, the draft *Roadmap* is designed to guide research and development in hydrogen manufacturing processes. It's open for [public comment](#) for 45 days.

Based on the results of the [Manufacturing R&D for the Hydrogen Economy Workshop](#) in July 2005, the 80-page document consolidates recommendations from hydrogen power experts in the Federal government, universities, national laboratories, and industry.

Led by DOE, the workshop was supported by the National Institute of Standards and Technology and coordinated with the [Manufacturing R&D Interagency Working Group](#) of the National Science and Technology Council.

# Fuel Cell Research

## Fuel Cell Research and Development

This solicitation closes April 5, 2006. More information and application instructions for industry, academia, and other interested parties are available via funding opportunity number [DE-PS36-06GO96017](#) on DOE's E-Center. Information for national laboratories is available via funding opportunity number [DE-PS36-06GO96018](#).

[Codes & Standards for the Hydrogen Economy](#)

[High Temperature, Low Relative Humidity Polymer-Type Membranes](#)

[High Temperature Solid Oxide Technologies Research](#)

[http://www.hydrogen.energy.gov/financial\\_opportunities.html](http://www.hydrogen.energy.gov/financial_opportunities.html)

## **Japanese Putting All Their Energy Into Saving Fuel**

By Anthony Faiola

Washington Post Foreign Service

Thursday, February 16, 2006; A01



# Electric Vehicles



## EV Battery Types

- **Lead-Acid**— Provides a low-cost, low-range (less than 100 miles) option with a 3-year life cycle.
- **Nickel-Metal Hydride** — Offers a greater driving range and life cycle, but is currently more expensive than lead-acid batteries.
- **Nickel-Cadmium** — Offers a range of 100 miles, a long life, and faster recharges than lead-acid batteries, but is more expensive and has lower peak power and recharging efficiency.
- **Lithium-Ion** — Offers the potential for a long driving range and life cycle, but is currently very costly.
- **Zinc-Air** — Currently under development. Provides superior performance compared to current battery technology.
- **Flywheels** — Currently under development. Could be capable of storing a larger amount of energy in smaller, lighter weight systems than chemical batteries.

# Wind Power

## Wind and Prairie Initiative

In January 2005, Governor Sebelius publicly outlined her policies and initiatives regarding the debate over wind-energy development and preservation of the Tallgrass Prairie in the Flint Hills region. The KEC's Wind and Prairie Task Force (WPTF) had submitted its report and recommendations to the Governor in June 2004. Governor Sebelius subsequently discussed the WPTF report with various stakeholders throughout the second half of 2004. She turned to the KEC to take the lead in implementing some components of the policy (see Appendix 7).

The Governor's vision for wind energy in Kansas included:

- Endorsing the KEC recommendations for wind energy. The Governor introduced her own legislation for a \$.005 per kWh transparent, tradable state Production Tax Credit. The bill would have limited new incentives for wind-energy projects to areas outside the Heart of the Flint Hills.
- Calling for 1,000 MW of installed electric generation (equal to about 10% of current capacity), to be voluntarily produced from renewable resources in 10 years.
- Requesting the KEC to evaluate the impact of having State and Regent's facilities use 2.5–5% of electricity on average statewide from renewables; asking KCC to consider full range of benefits on utilities' use of renewable energy (see p. 25).
- Requesting the KEC to analyze utility programs to allow consumers to voluntarily purchase "green" power and how to support utilities to offer it (see p. 22).





**Wind Energy Siting Handbook:  
Guideline Options  
for  
Kansas Cities and Counties**

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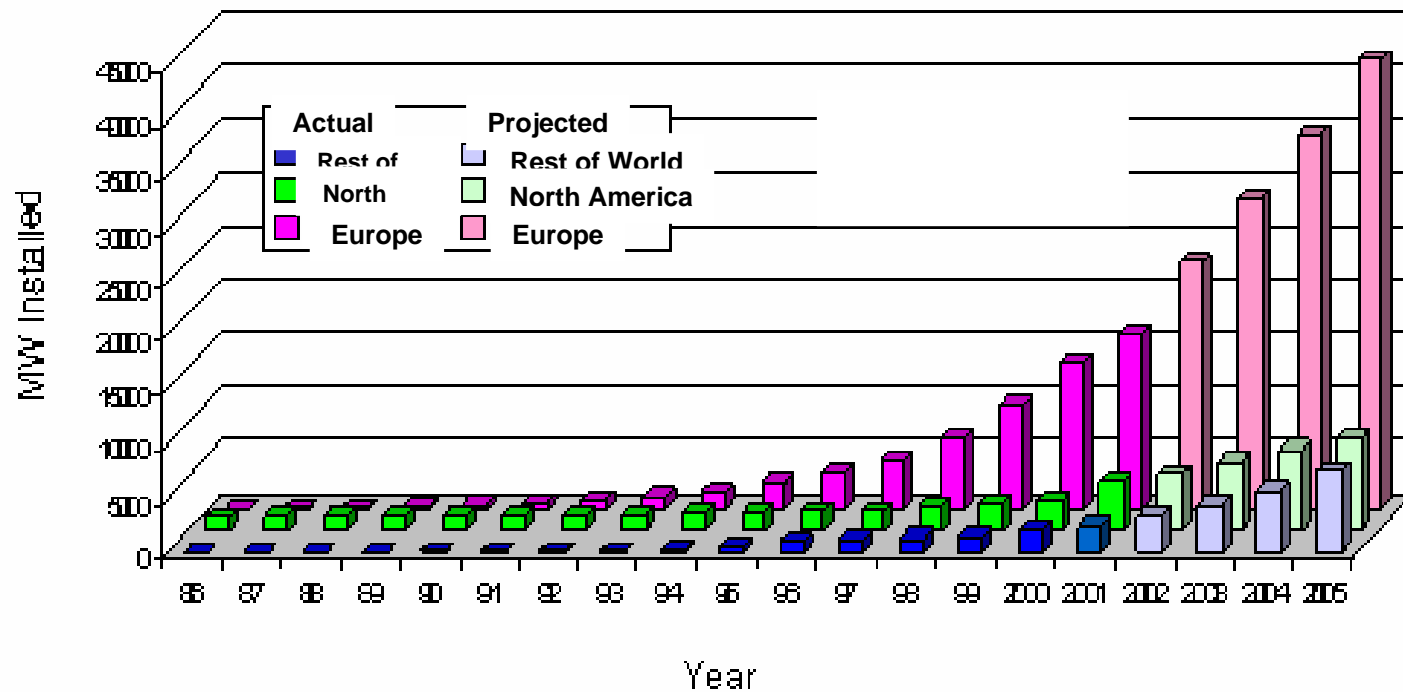
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**Table 1—Overview of Midwestern and Great Plains utility green pricing programs, 2005**

| <b>Program Name</b> | <b>Utility</b>        | <b>State</b> | <b>Renewable Energy Technology</b> | <b>Cost (¢/kWh)</b> | <b>Customer</b> | <b>Number of Subscribers</b> |
|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| OG&E Wind Power     | Oklahoma Gas & Elect. | OK           | Wind                               | ~0.74 <sup>21</sup> |                 | 10,000                       |
| Windsource          | Xcel Energy           | CO           | Wind                               | 1.00 <sup>22</sup>  | All             |                              |
| Windsource          | Xcel Energy           | MN           | Wind                               | 2.00                | All             | 11,000                       |
| Renewable Advantage | MidAmerican Energy    | IA           | Wind                               | na.                 | All             | 3,200                        |
| Wind Power Program  | Fort Collins Utility  | CO           | Wind                               | 1.00                |                 | 1,200                        |
| Second Nature       | Alliant Energy        | IA/MN/<br>WI | Wind                               | 2.00                | Residential     | 11,544                       |
| PECO wind           | Exelon                | PA           | Wind                               | 2.54                | Consumer        |                              |
| Wind Power          | Madison Gas & Elect.  | WI           | Wind                               | 3.33                | Res./Biz.       |                              |
| GreenChoice         | Austin Energy         | TX           | Wind/ Land-fill gas                | 0.504               |                 |                              |

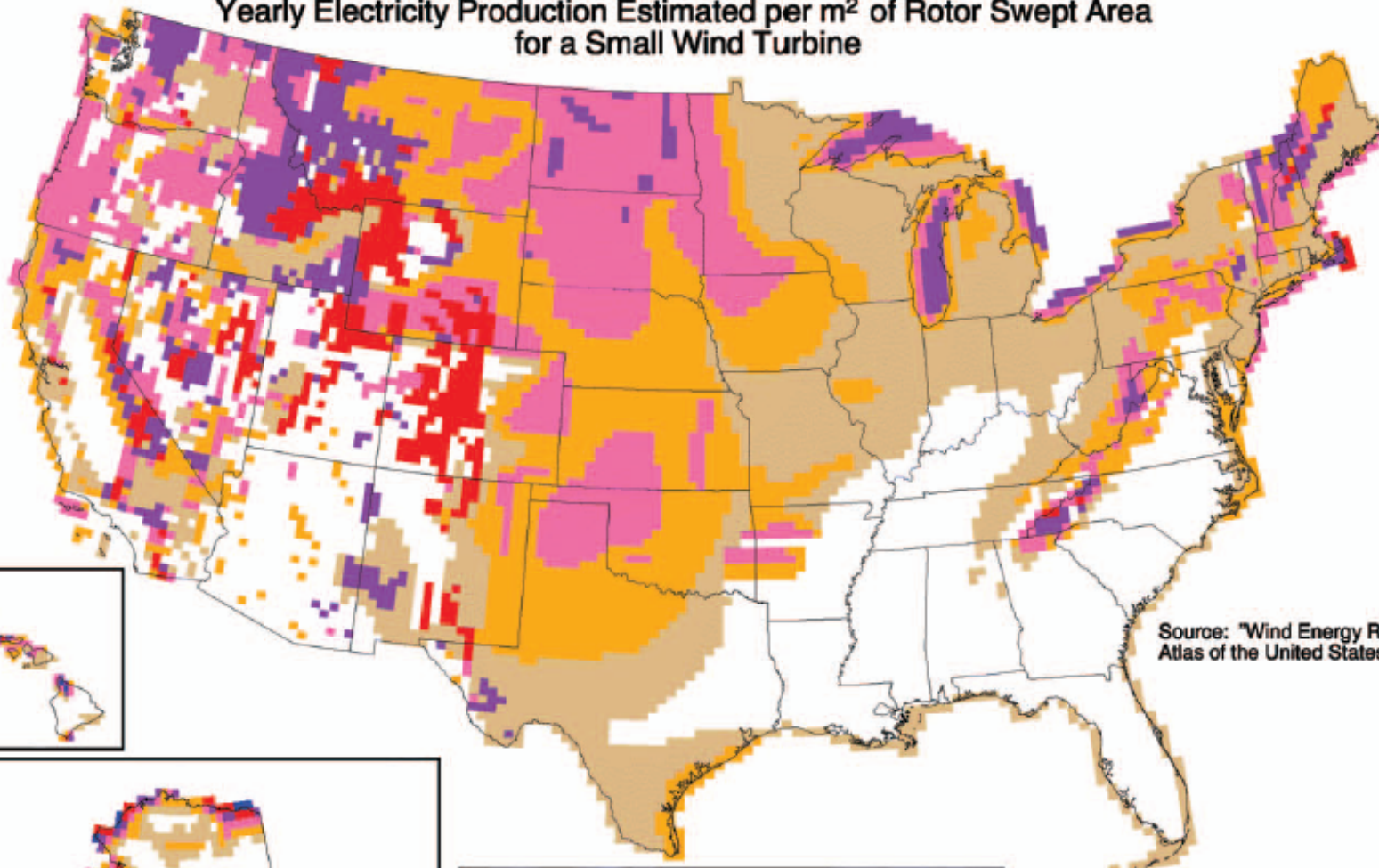
# Growth of Wind Energy Capacity Worldwide



Sources: IER Wind Energy Annual Report 2002  
 BTM Consult Aps, March 2001  
 Windpower Monthly, January 2002

# United States - Wind Resource Map

Yearly Electricity Production Estimated per m<sup>2</sup> of Rotor Swept Area for a Small Wind Turbine



Source: "Wind Energy Resource Atlas of the United States", 1987

**Small Wind Turbine Productivity Estimates\***

| Wind Power Class | Productivity per m <sup>2</sup> of swept area** (kWh/year) | Wind Power Density at 33 ft (10 m) (W/m <sup>2</sup> ) | Wind Speed at 33 ft (10 m) |           |
|------------------|--|--|----------------------------|-----------|
|                  |  |  | (mph)                      | (m/s)     |
| 1                | < 350  | <100   | < 9.8                      | < 4.4     |
| 2                | 350 - 500  | 100 - 150  | 9.8 - 11.5                 | 4.4 - 5.1 |
| 3                | 500 - 610  | 150 - 200  | 11.5 - 12.5                | 5.1 - 5.6 |
| 4                | 610 - 690  | 200 - 250  | 12.5 - 13.4                | 5.6 - 6.0 |
| 5                | 690 - 770  | 250 - 300  | 13.4 - 14.3                | 6.0 - 6.4 |
| 6                | 770 - 880  | 300 - 400  | 14.3 - 15.7                | 6.4 - 7.0 |
| 7                | 880 -1170  | 400 -1000  | 15.7 - 21.1                | 7.0 - 9.4 |

\* Estimates are based on different models and sizes of wind turbines assuming a tower height of 80 ft (24 m).

\*\* For systems of different sizes, multiply the estimated productivity by the total swept area of the turbine.

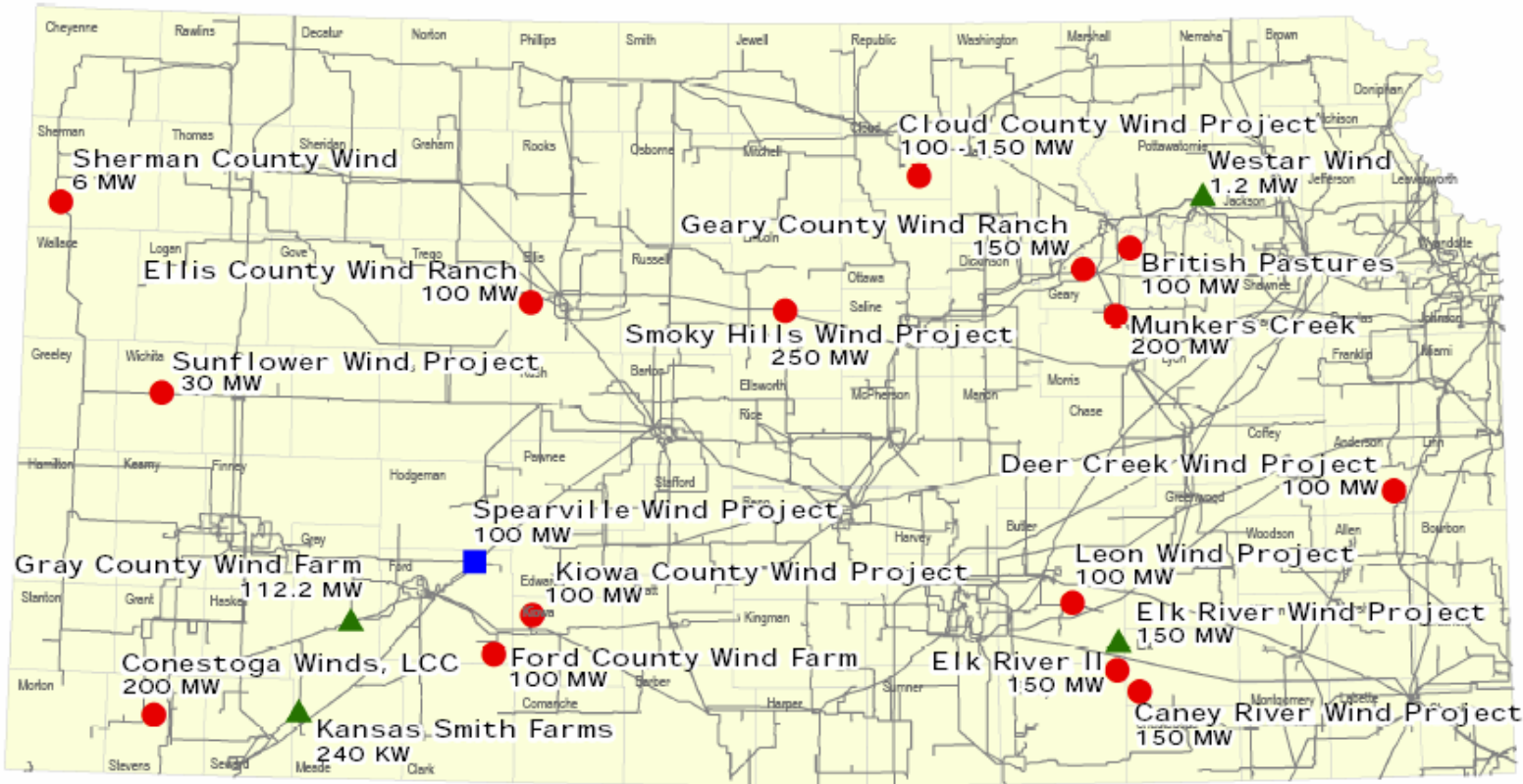
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# PROPOSED and EXISTING WIND PROJECTS in KANSAS

January 2006



Projection information:  
 Name: Lambert Conformal Conic  
 Datum: NAD83 Spheroid GRS 1980  
 Distance Units: meters

## Legend

### Status

- ▲ Existing
- Under Construction
- Proposed

Electrical Transmission Lines also shown

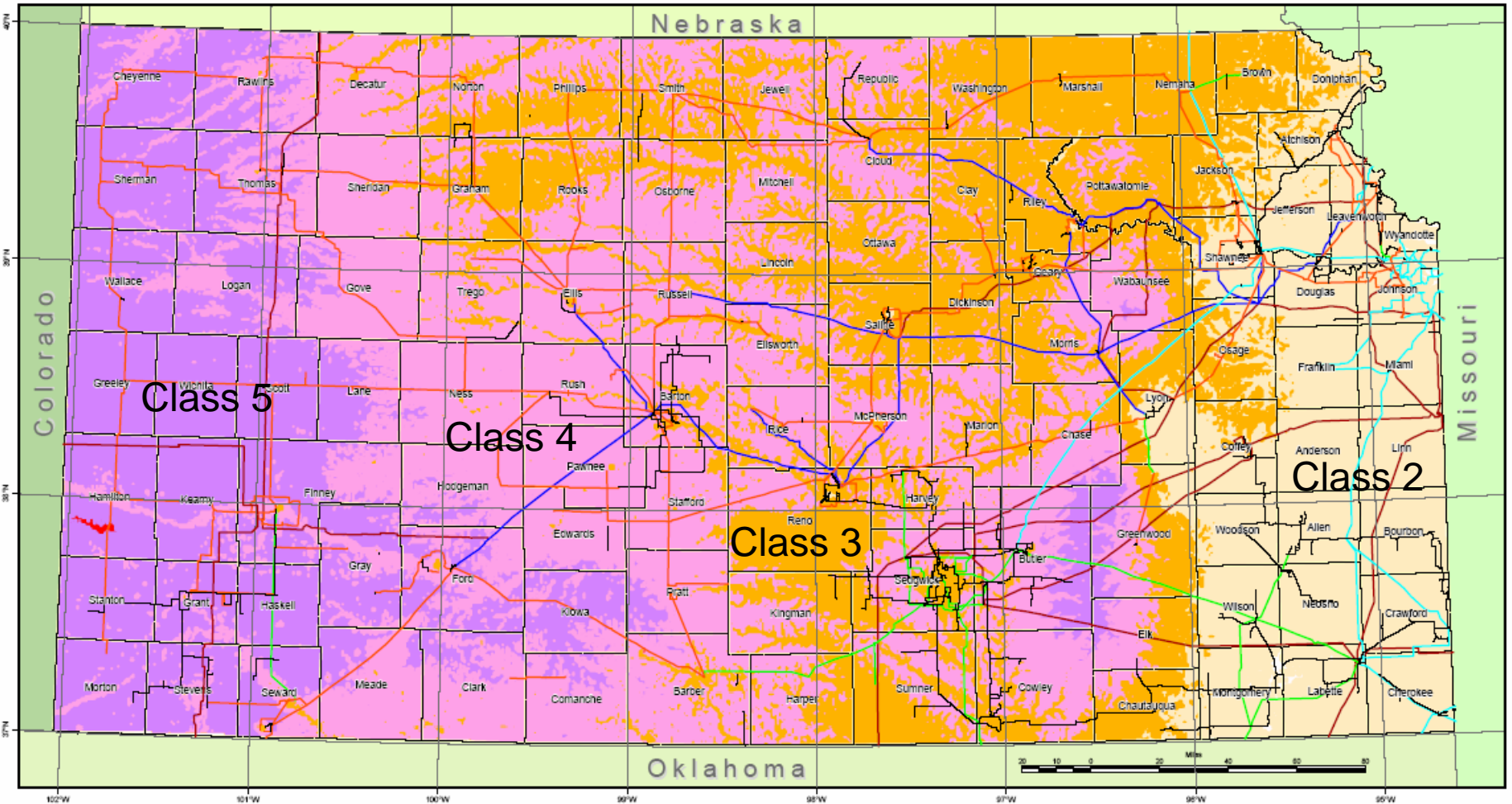
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[www.KansasEnergy.org](http://www.KansasEnergy.org)



Class 5 wind power ~ less expensive than gas-fired electrical generation  
 Class 4 wind power ~ less expensive than new coal-fired electrical generation



| Electric Transmission Lines | Wind Speed at 50 meters (m/s) (mph) | Wind Power Density at 50m Wm <sup>2</sup> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| 345 - KV                    | Class 1: 0.00 - 5.60 (0.00 - 12.6)  | 0 - 200                                   |
| 230 - KV                    | Class 2: 5.60 - 6.40 (12.5 - 14.3)  | 200 - 300                                 |
| 161 - KV                    | Class 3: 6.40 - 7.00 (14.3 - 15.7)  | 300 - 400                                 |
| 138 - KV                    | Class 4: 7.00 - 7.50 (15.7 - 16.8)  | 400 - 500                                 |
| 115 - KV                    | Class 5: 7.50 - 8.00 (16.8 - 17.9)  | 500 - 600                                 |
| 69 - KV                     | Class 6: 8.00 - 8.80 (17.9 - 19.7)  | 600 - 700                                 |
|                             | Class 7: > 8.80 (> 19.7)            | > 700                                     |

## Kansas Wind Resource Map





KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION ENERGY PROGRAMS

The wind resource estimates presented on this map were developed by Coriolis-AE using WindMap TM, a program developed by BrowerCo. WindMap TM is a mass conserving model based on NOAA's, a program developed in the 1970s by the U. S. Department of Energy. The spatial grid resolution is of 1000 (app) meters.

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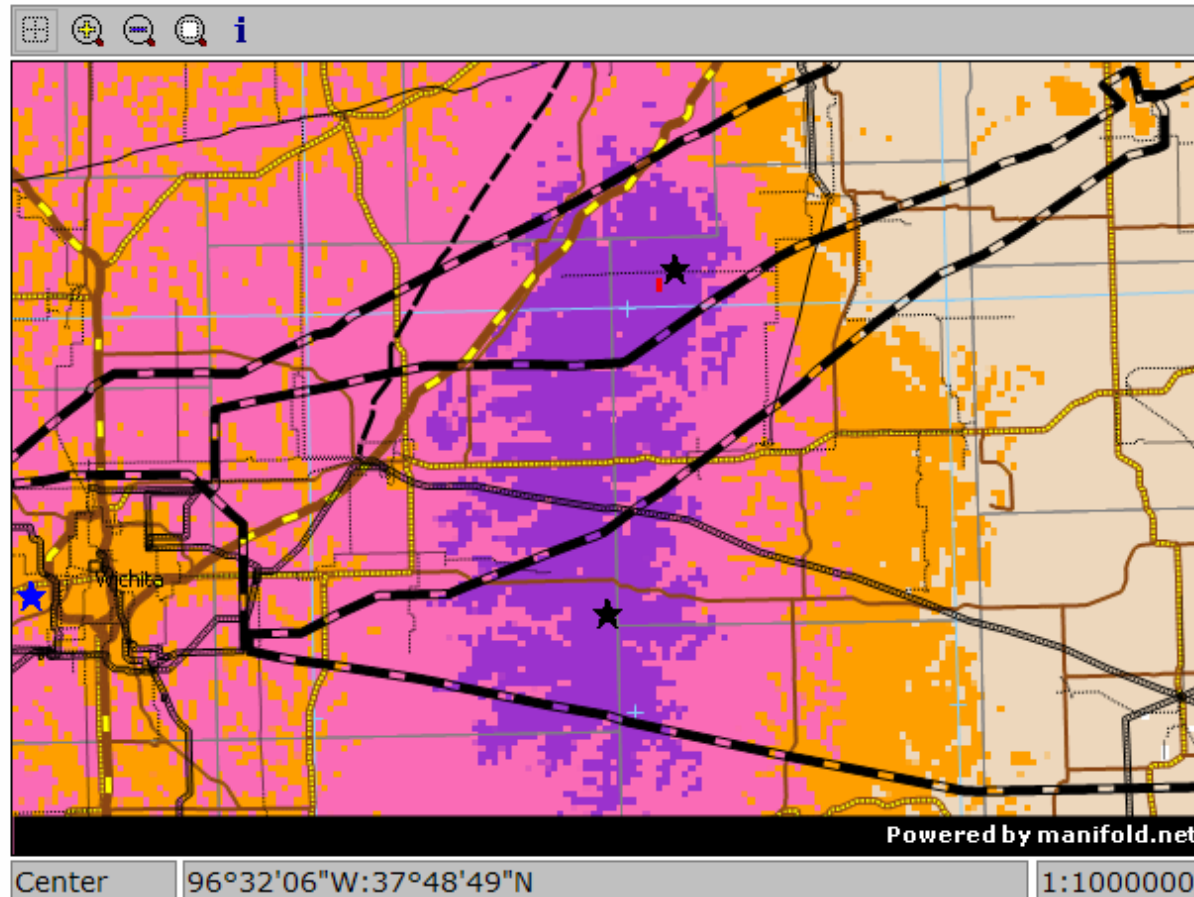
Development of this map was performed under contract with the Kansas Corporation Commission Energy Program with funding from the U. S. Department of Energy's Wind Power America Program.

This map may be viewed on the web at: <http://www.kcc.state.ks.us/energy/wind.htm>

Kansas Corporation Commission  
26 March 2004

# Kansas Wind Resource Map

Estimated average yearly wind speeds at 50 meters in meters/second



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Power classes in the legend are based on the average speed and a Weibull k value of 2.0, but not all locations will have the same power class for a given wind speed.

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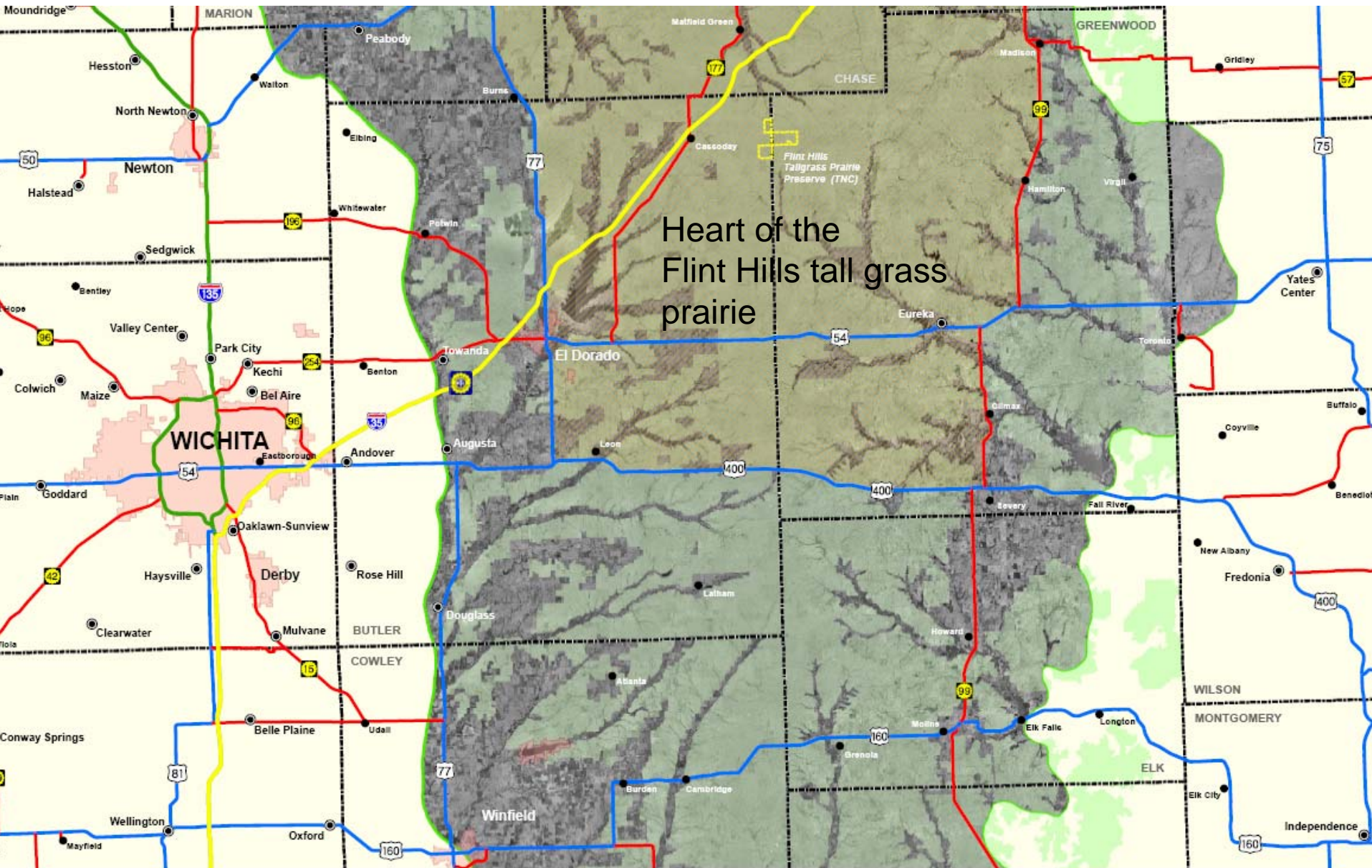
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★ UWIG
- Electric Transmission Lines**  
**Voltage in KW**  
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69.00  
115.00  
138.00  
161.00  
230.00  
345.00
- Wind speed at 50M**  
(m/s)  
Class 1: 0.00 - 5.60  
Class 2: 5.60 - 6.40  
Class 3: 6.40 - 7.00  
Class 4: 7.00 - 7.50  
Class 5: 7.50 - 8.00  
Class 6: 8.00 - 8.80  
Class 7: > 8.80

**Views** ▴

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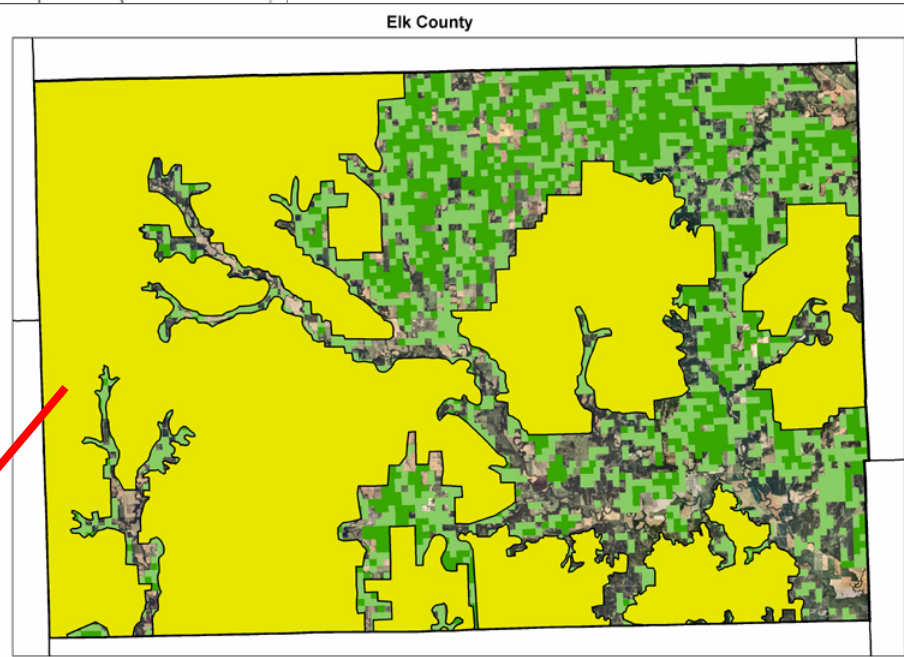
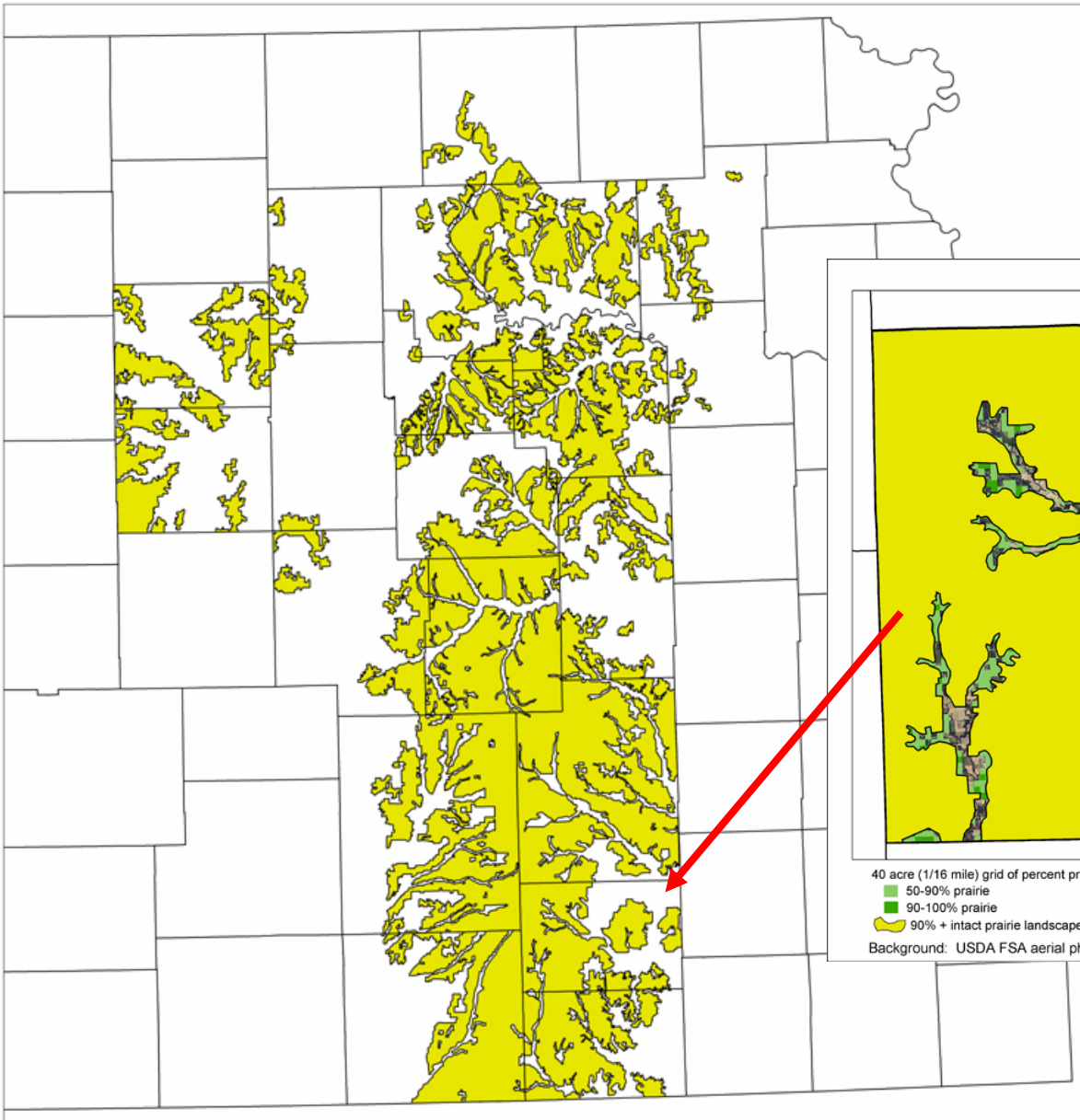


# Choices to be made about land use for alternative energy



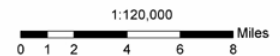


# Elk County, Kansas



40 acre (1/16 mile) grid of percent prairie  
 50-90% prairie  
 90-100% prairie  
 90% + intact prairie landscape \*  
 Background: USDA FSA aerial photograph, June 2003

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\* See supporting text for rules used to delineate intact prairie landscape.

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90% - 100% intact prairie landscape \*



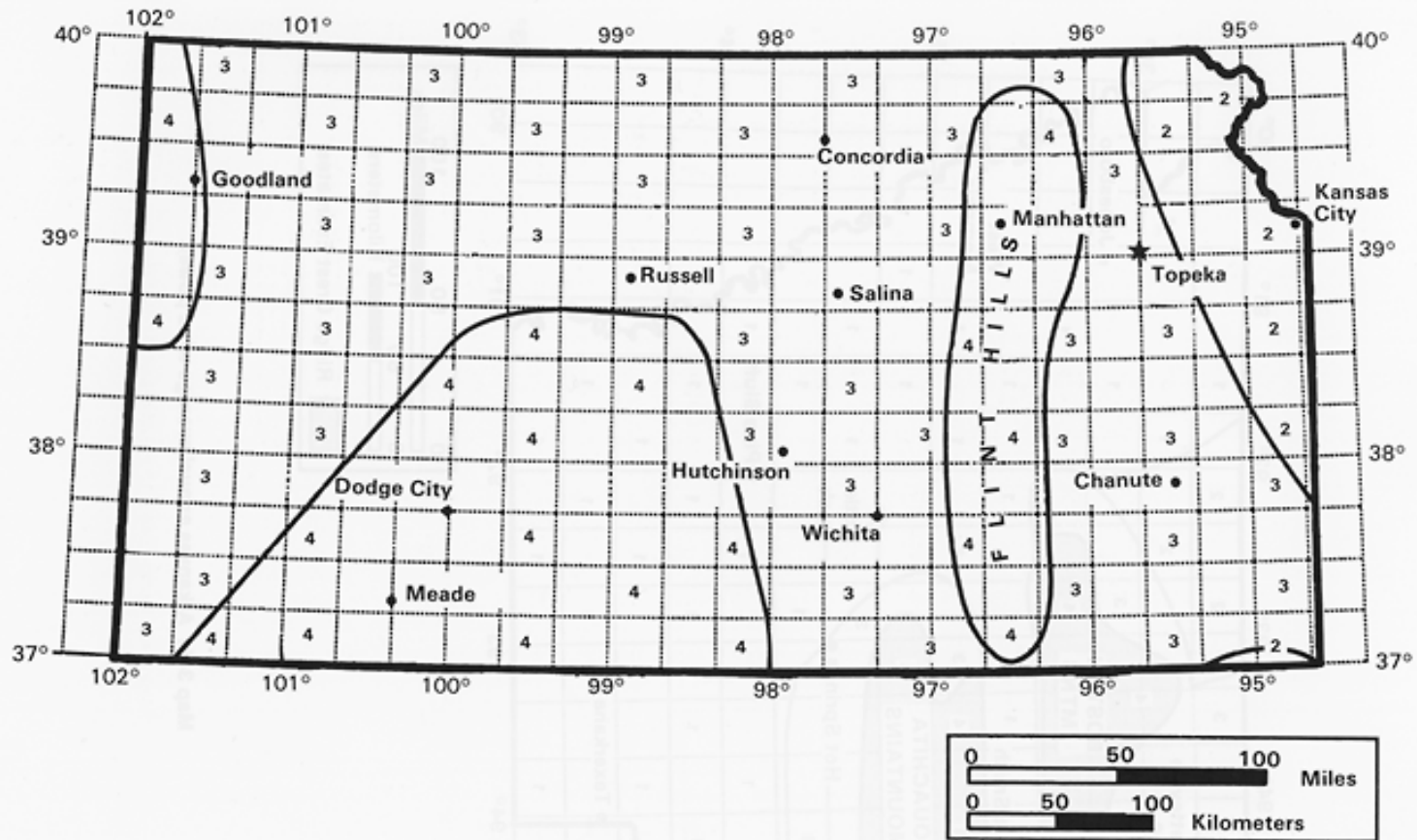
Map prepared by the Kansas Biological Survey staff, including, Kelly Kindscher, Michael Houts, Bernadette Kuhn, Eli Stogsdill, and Jennifer Droppkin. For more information, contact Kelly Kindscher at 785-864-1529 or kindscher@ku.edu

\* Mapping Rules:  
 Intact prairie landscape is defined as native grasslands greater than 2,000 acres.

Non-prairie tracts of land (cropland, forest, etc.) were removed if greater than 200 acres

Tracts of native prairie must be connected by 0.5 mile widths to be contiguous, with the exception of riparian corridors.

# 1990's map from Pacific Northwest Lab. report for [NREL](http://www.nrel.gov)



# Wind energy information resources abound

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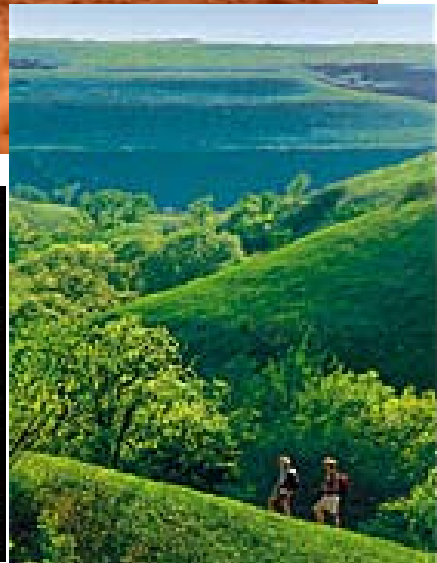
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- Wind Energy Works**
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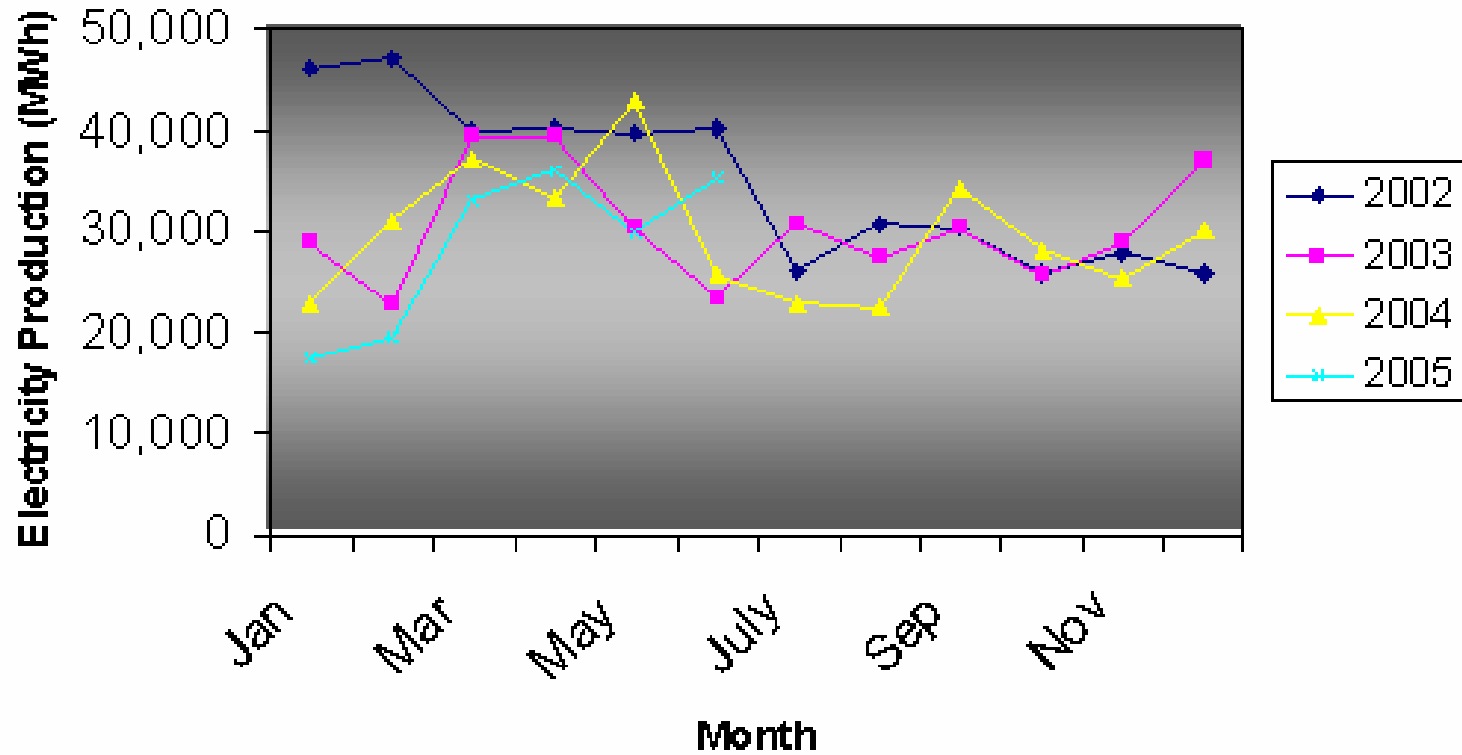


Wind turbine

**Kansas presently ranks third in the United States in total wind energy potential behind North Dakota and Texas. In fact, the top three states have enough wind energy potential to supply the total electrical needs of all lower 48 states.**

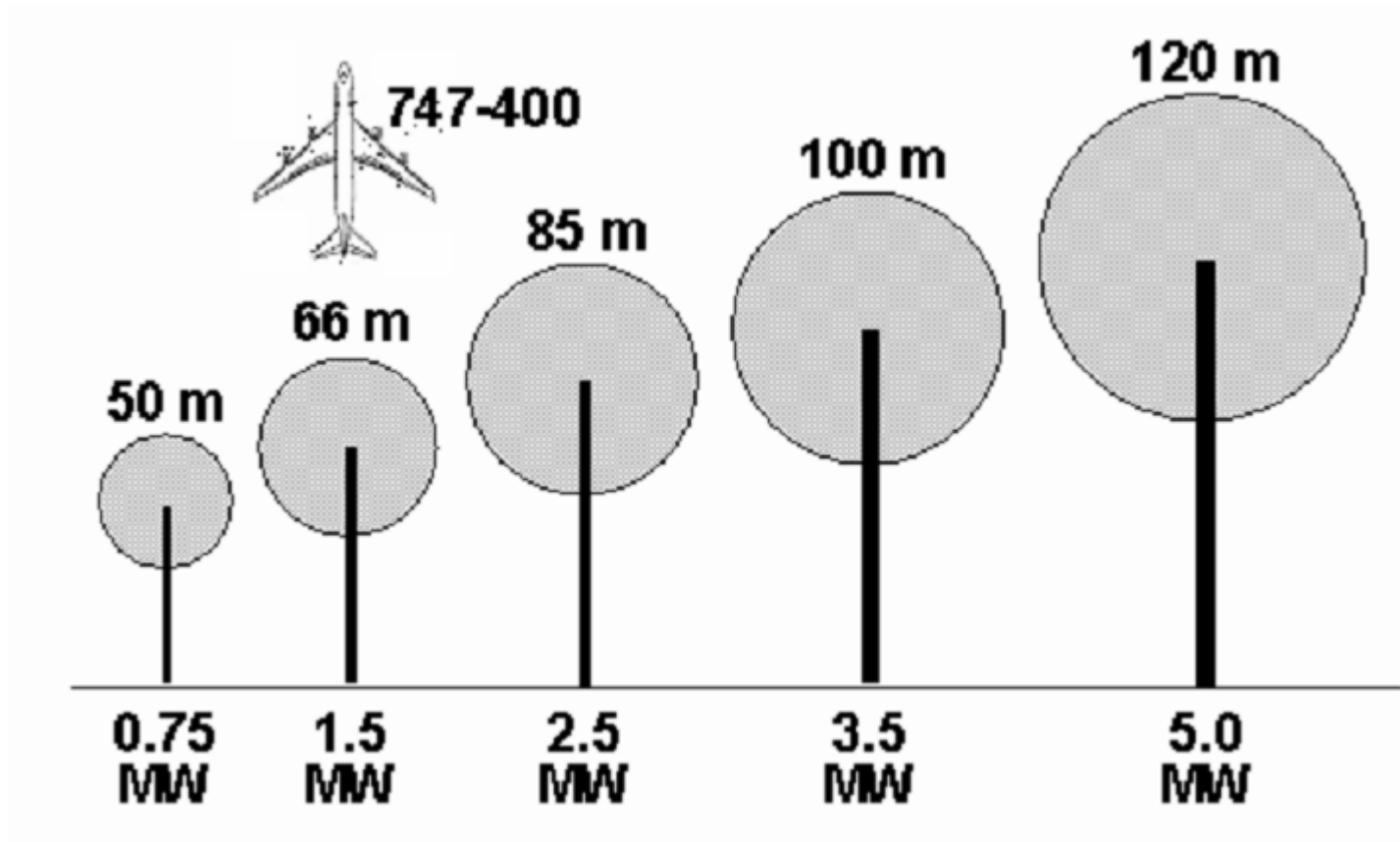


## Gray Co. Wind Farm Monthly Production



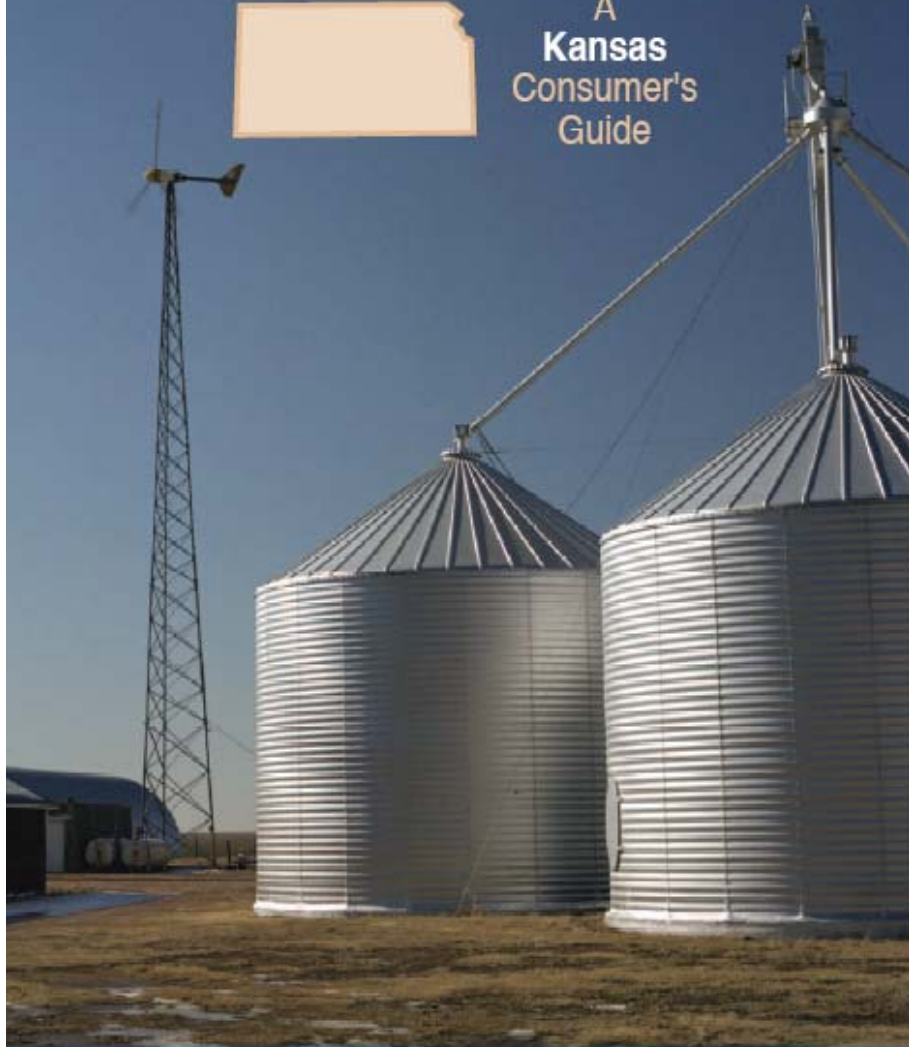
Source: Energy Information Administration, 2005

# Wind Turbine Rotor Diameter and Rated Capacity



# Small Wind Electric Systems

A  
Kansas  
Consumer's  
Guide



## What Do Wind Systems Cost?

A small turbine can cost anywhere from \$3,000 to \$35,000 installed, depending on size, application, and service agreements with the manufacturer. (The American Wind Energy Association [AWEA] says a typical home wind system costs approximately \$32,000 (10 kW); a comparable photovoltaic [PV] solar system would cost over \$80,000.)

A general rule of thumb for estimating the cost of a residential turbine is \$1,000 to \$3,000 per kilowatt. Wind energy becomes more cost effective as the size of the turbine's rotor increases. Although small turbines cost less in initial outlay, they are



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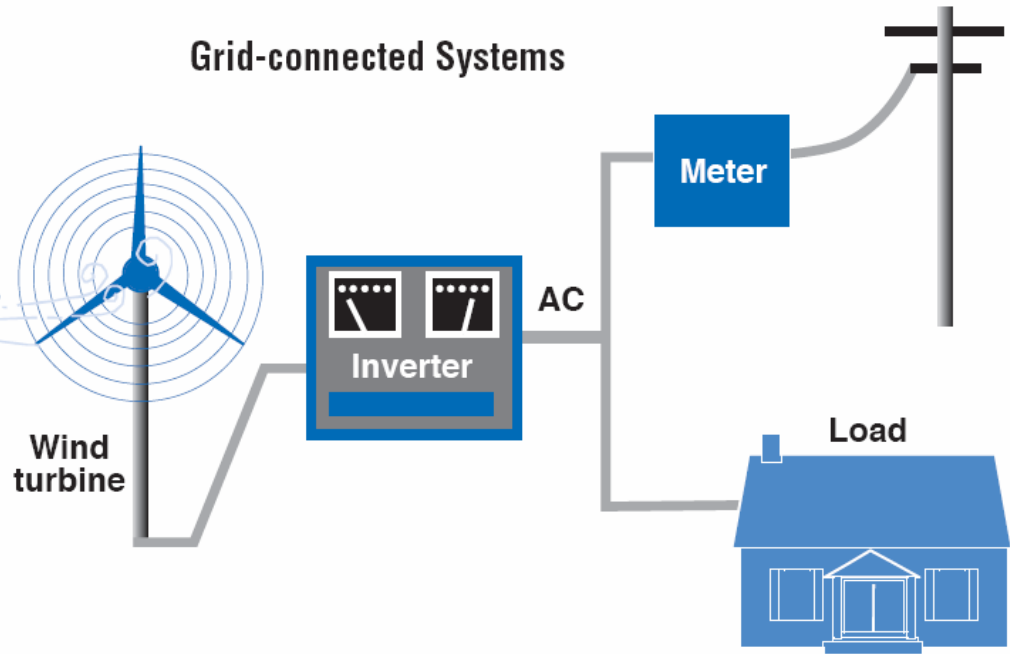


# Small Wind Electric Systems

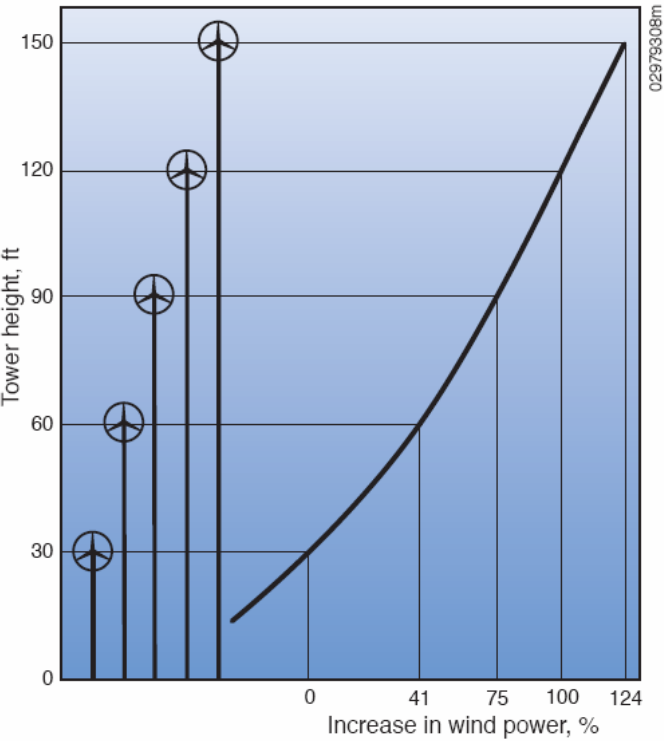
A grid-connected wind turbine can reduce your consumption of utility-supplied electricity.



## Grid-connected Systems



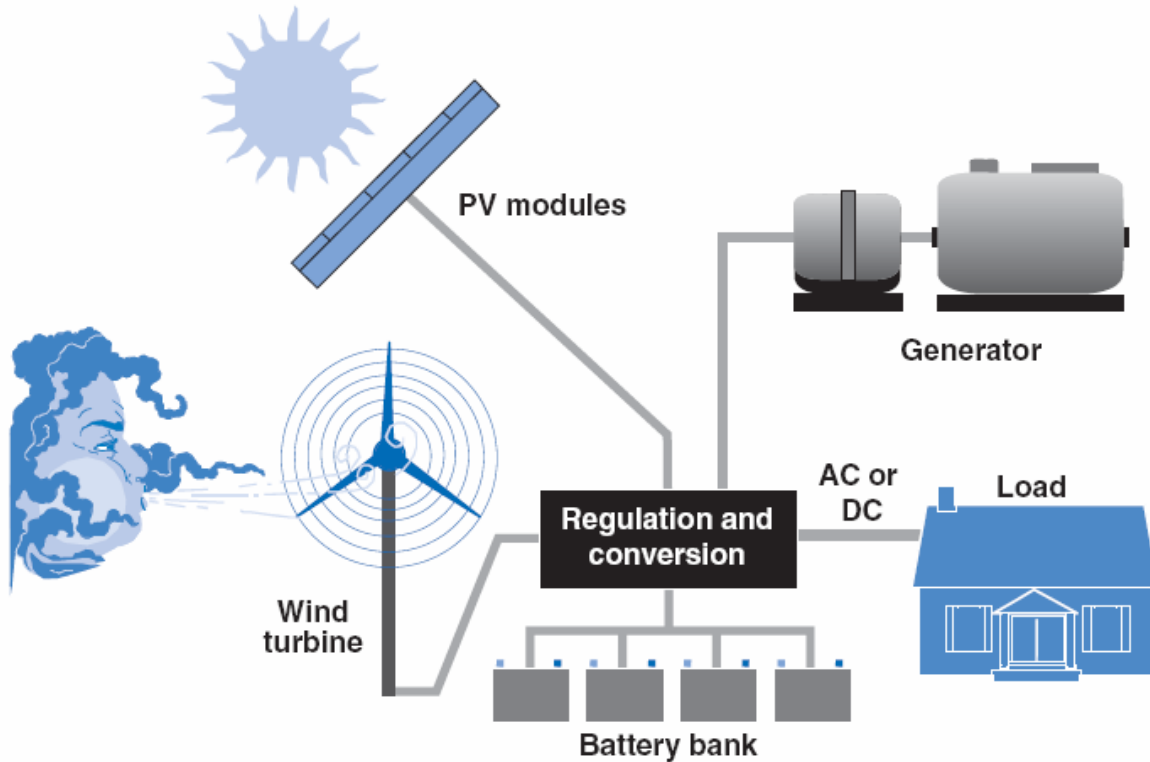
### Wind Speeds Increase with Height





## Hybrid Power Systems

Combine multiple sources to deliver non-intermittent electric power



### A hybrid system

Grid-connected systems can be practical if the following conditions exist:

- You live in an area with average annual wind speed of at least 10 mph (4.5 m/s).
- Utility-supplied electricity is expensive in your area (about 10 to 15 cents per kilowatt-hour).
- The utility's requirements for connecting your system to its grid are not prohibitively expensive.
- There are good incentives for the sale of excess electricity or for the purchase of wind turbines.

Federal regulations (specifically, the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, or PURPA) require utilities to connect with and purchase power from small wind energy systems.

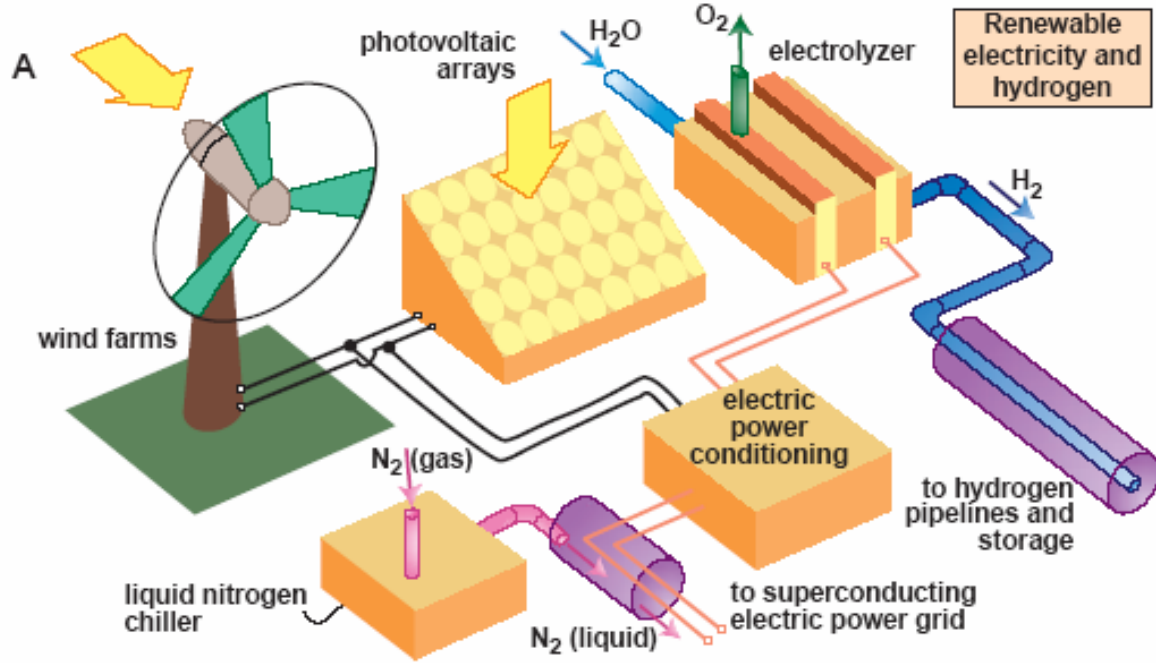
Officials at the U.S. Department of Energy are working to kindle support for a crash program to transform solar energy from a bit player into the world's leading power source

## Is It Time to Shoot for the Sun?

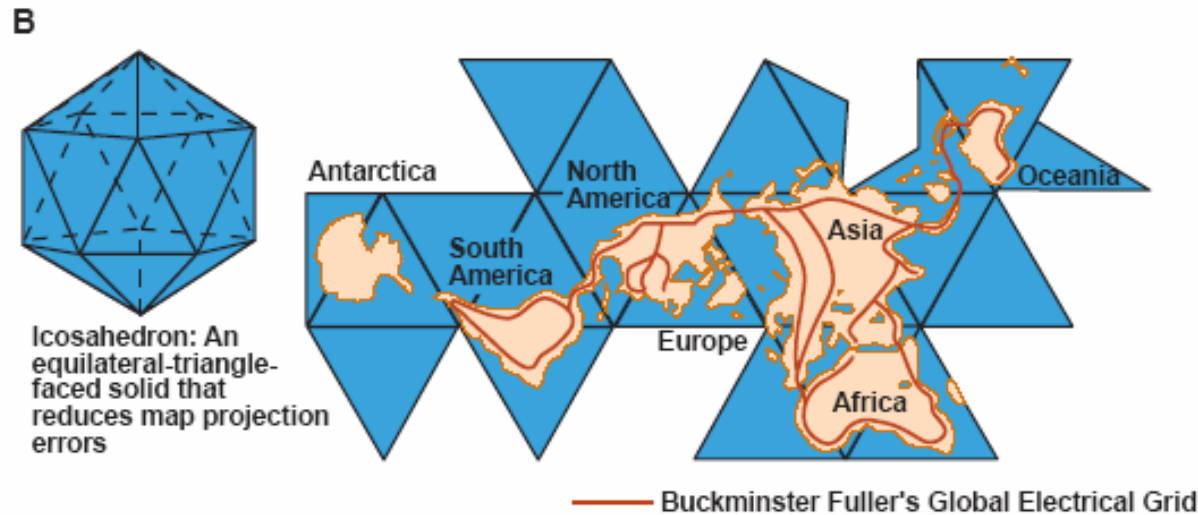


Fields of gold. Solar power is the most promising renewable energy source.

- Humans now consume 13 terawatts (TW) of power
- 85% from fossil fuels
- By 2050, human may consume 30 TW
- 10 TW of energy ~ 10,000 nuclear plants (Japan, Europe, China, Russia, South Korea and U.S. building experimental fusion reactor in France)
- Wind at all windy locations ~ 72 TW (Stanford research with 80 meter towers using global wind potential)
- Peak oil production ~ now reached
- Natural gas supply ~ 200 years
- Coal supply ~ 2000 years

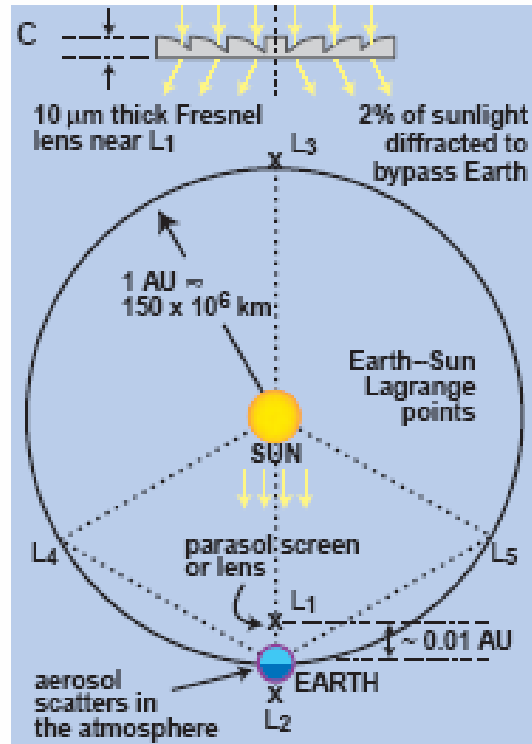
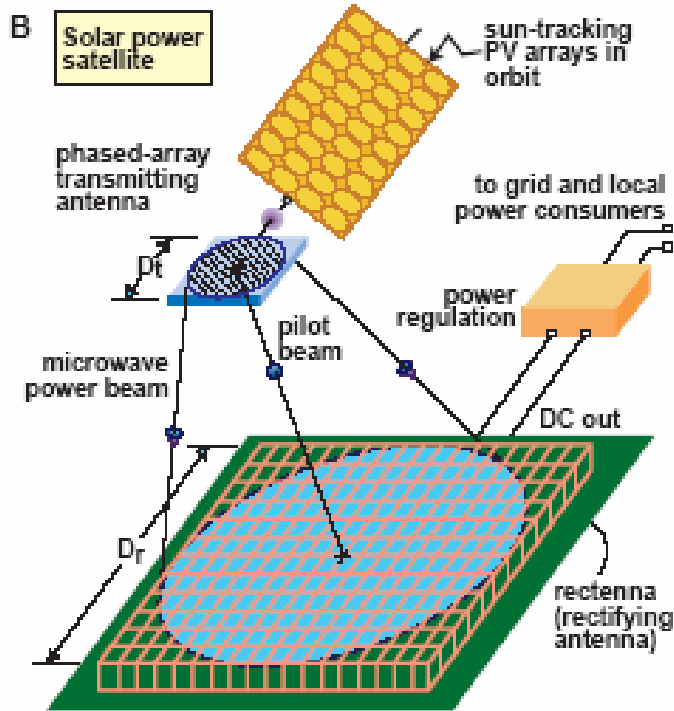
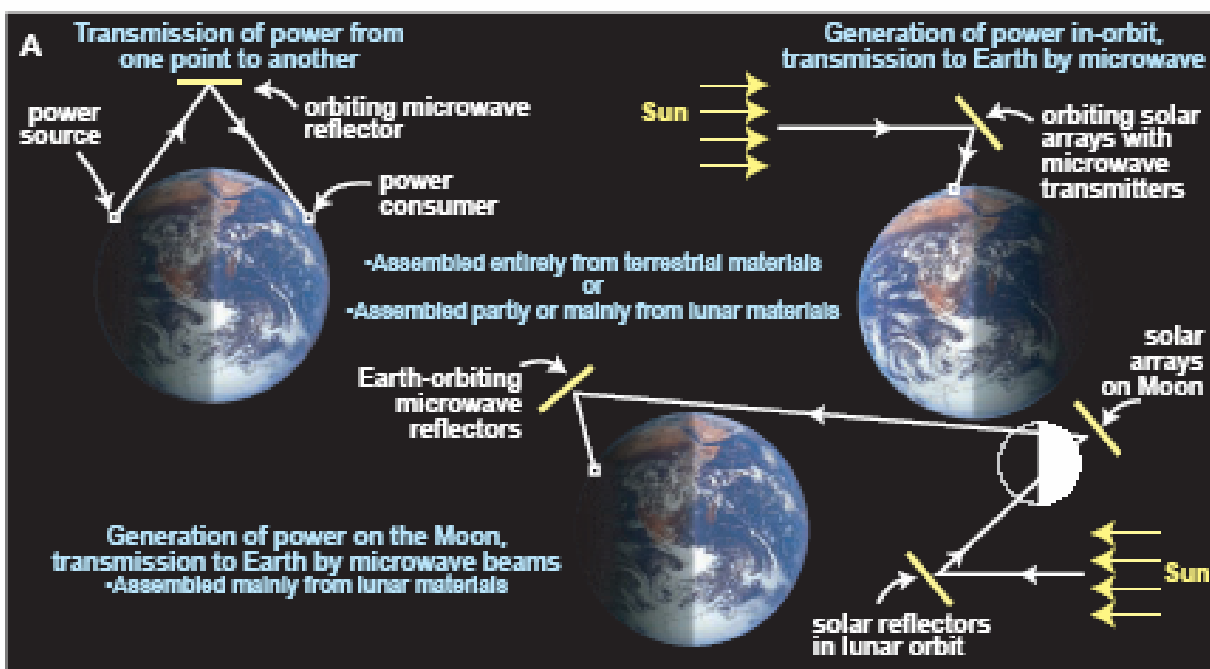


# Mass Produced Widely-Distributed PV Arrays and Wind Turbines Making H<sub>2</sub> or Electricity



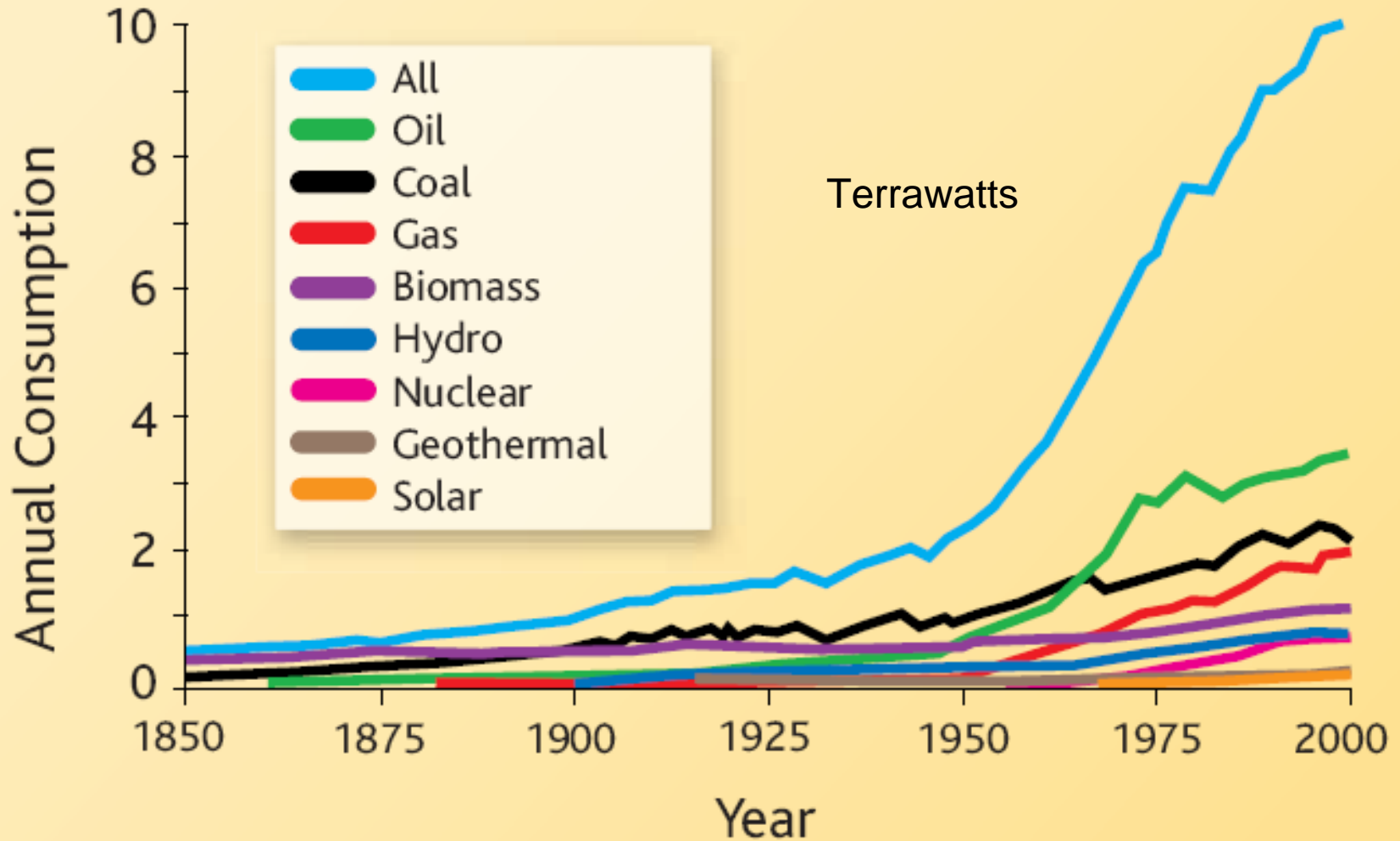
**Fig. 2. (A)** Mass-produced widely distributed PV arrays and wind turbines making electrolytic H<sub>2</sub> or electricity may eventually generate 10 to 30 TW emission-free. **(B)** The global grid proposed by R. Buckminster Fuller with modern computerized load management and high-temperature superconducting (HTS) cables could transmit electricity from day to night locations and foster low-loss distribution from remote, episodic, or dangerous power sources. (The resistivity of HTS wires vanishes below the 77 K boiling point of nitrogen available from air.)

# Capturing Solar Power in Space





# Global Energy Consumption



<http://www.sciencemag.org/cgi/reprint/309/5734/548.pdf>

Science v. 309, 22 July 2005, p. 548-549.

# Future for Solar depends on price and mass production

**Solar:** photovoltaic panels: currently produce 3 gigawatts of electricity, 40% growth, \$7.5 billion industry

20 TW from solar use 0.16% of land surface

Solar panels on every one of 70 homes in U.S. = 0.25 TW (only 1/10 of electricity consumed in U.S.)

Solar Farms and massive storage systems or production facilities for derived energy fuels such as generation of hydrogen fuel from water.

Cost is biggest hurdle. Solar energy needs to be 50x less expensive than current. Research needed to develop basic enabling breakthrough technologies.

- **Nanotechnology:** more efficient, cheaper solar cells
- **Plastic cells:** cheap polymers
- **Solar concentrators** to focus light, strip hydrogen gas from fossil fuels and sequester CO<sub>2</sub>, split water to hydrogen

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Global need. This map shows the amount of land needed to generate 20 TW with 10% efficient solar cells.

## Cost to generate electricity:

- Solar: \$0.25 to \$0.50 per kwh
- Wind: \$0.05 to \$0.07/kwh
- Natural gas: \$0.025 to \$0.05/kwh
- Coal: \$0.01 to \$0.04/kwh

Sun: 57,000 TW every moment (on hour basis, more energy than humans use in year)

## Department of Energy Requests \$23.6 Billion for FY 2007 *Increased Funding to Advance National Security, Reduce Dependence on Oil, and Boost Economic Competitiveness*

### Advanced Energy Initiative

The Advanced Energy Initiative aims to reduce America's dependence on imported energy sources. The FY 2007 DOE budget requests **\$2.1 billion** to meet these goals, an increase of \$381 million over FY 2006. Funding will help develop clean, affordable sources of energy that will help reduce the use of fossil fuels and lead to changes in the way we power our homes, businesses and cars.

The FY 2007 budget request emphasizes investment in alternative fuel technologies. Numerous DOE offices will benefit from the Advanced Energy Initiative. The Office of Science (**\$539 million**) budget incorporates funding for nuclear fusion, including the ITER project, an experimental reactor that puts the U.S. on the pathway to furthering the potential of nuclear fusion as source of environmentally safe energy; solar, biomass and hydrogen research programs.

The Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (**\$771 million**) budget includes considerable funding increases for hydrogen technology, fuel cell technology, vehicle technology, biomass, solar, and wind research programs. The Office of Fossil Energy (**\$444 million**) supports the Coal Research Initiative and other power generation/stationary fuel cell research programs. The Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology (**\$392 million**) includes \$250 million for the Global Nuclear Energy Partnership (GNEP); and also supports Generation IV, Nuclear Power 2010, and the Nuclear Hydrogen Initiative.

# **Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (\$1.2 billion)**

**Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy budget requests \$1.2 billion, \$2.6 million (0.2%) more than the FY 2006 appropriations. Much of this funding is an integral part of the Advanced Energy Initiative and expands key programs that focus on developing new energy choices, including:**

- Hydrogen Fuel Technology (\$114 million);
- Fuel Cell Technology (\$82 million);
- Biomass (\$150 million), including research into cellulosic ethanol, made from switch grass, wood chips and stalks;
- Solar America Initiative (\$148 million);
- Vehicle technology (\$166 million);
- Wind projects (\$44 million).



## Definitions of terms used in this brochure

**BTU** British Thermal Unit—A common method of indicating the amount of heat energy removed by an air conditioner.

**CF** Cubic feet.

**kWh** KiloWatt hour—A unit of electrical energy equivalent to using one kiloWatt of electricity for one hour. A kiloWatt is a unit of power equal to 1000 Watts.

**W** Watt—A measurement of power and the rate of energy expended. One horsepower equals about 746 Watts.

Want to know how much electricity a specific appliance uses?

Use this formula:

Appliance wattage\* x avg hours used per month ÷ 1000 = monthly kWh

\*wattage can be found on most appliances



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...cutting-edge communication and information technology to give customers real-time information about energy use. In advanced phases they could be used to remotely control air-conditioning settings or activate "smart" appliances.

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# ELECTRICAL USAGE CHART

for a typical four-person household

\* = ENERGY STAR availability

| APPLIANCE   | MONTHLY AVERAGE |          |             | ANNUAL AVERAGE |             | APPLIANCE  | MONTHLY AVERAGE |          |             | ANNUAL AVERAGE |             |
|---|-----------------|----------|-------------|----------------|-------------|--|-----------------|----------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
|   | HOURS IN USE    | kWh USED | MONTHS USED | ANNUAL kWh     | ANNUAL COST |  | HOURS IN USE    | kWh USED | MONTHS USED | ANNUAL kWh     | ANNUAL COST |
| Air Conditioner—central   | 125             | 375      | 3           | 1125           | \$146       | Hot Tub—outdoor  | 128             | 298      | 12          | 3577           | \$465       |
| Air Conditioner 8,000 BTU—room/window *                         | 100             | 90       | 3           | 270            | \$ 35       | Humidifier   | 230             | 29       | 6           | 173            | \$ 22       |
| Air Purifier  | 730             | 37       | 6           | 219            | \$ 28       | Lighting—compact fluorescent bulb (100W equivalent) *    | 100             | 3        | 12          | 32             | \$ 4        |
| Aquarium with heater, light, filter                             | 360             | 34       | 12          | 410            | \$ 53       | Lighting—fluorescent light (two 40W tubes and ballast) * | 100             | 9        | 12          | 106            | \$ 14       |
| Clothes Dryer—electric (6 loads per week at 45 minutes)         | 20              | 75       | 12          | 900            | \$117       | Lighting—incandescent (100W bulb) *                      | 100             | 10       | 12          | 120            | \$ 16       |
| Clothes Dryer—gas (6 loads per week at 45 minutes) <sup>1</sup> | 23              | 9        | 12          | 110            | \$ 14       | Lighting—outdoor flood, compact fluorescent *            | 90              | 2        | 12          | 29             | \$ 4        |
| Clothes Washer (7 loads per week) <sup>2</sup> *                | 30              | 9        | 12          | 108            | \$ 14       | Lighting—outdoor flood, incandescent *                   | 90              | 11       | 12          | 130            | \$ 17       |
| Coffemaker (1.5 pots per day)                                   | 30              | 5        | 12          | 54             | \$ 7        | Microwave Oven (15 minutes per day) *                    | 8               | 11       | 12          | 137            | \$ 18       |
| Computer with monitor *   | 60              | 8        | 12          | 90             | \$ 12       | Oven (2 hours per week)                                  | 8               | 21       | 12          | 255            | \$ 33       |
| Dehumidifier (moderately damp basement) *                       | 250             | 200      | 6           | 1200           | \$156       | Oxygen Concentrator                                      | 240             | 96       | 12          | 1152           | \$150       |
| Dishwasher—air dry (4 loads per week) *                         | 16              | 8        | 12          | 96             | \$ 12       | Radio/Tape Player  | 153             | 2        | 12          | 18             | \$ 2        |
| Dishwasher—heat dry (4 loads per week) *                        | 16              | 13       | 12          | 154            | \$ 20       | Range—large cooking surface unit                         | 8               | 19       | 12          | 230            | \$ 30       |
| Electric Blanket (queen size)                                   | 240             | 8        | 6           | 50             | \$ 7        | Range—small cooking surface unit                         | 8               | 10       | 12          | 125            | \$ 16       |
| Fan—box or floor stand  | 71              | 11       | 3           | 32             | \$ 4        | Refrigerator—18 CF, 20 years old                         | 730             | 98       | 12          | 1181           | \$154       |
| Fan—ceiling (without lights) *                                  | 150             | 12       | 6           | 72             | \$ 9        | Refrigerator—18 CF, 10 years old                         | 730             | 70       | 12          | 845            | \$110       |
| Freezer Chest, 18 CF, manual defrost, 20 years old              | 730             | 75       | 12          | 897            | \$117       | Refrigerator—18 CF, new *                                | 730             | 41       | 12          | 486            | \$ 63       |
| Freezer Chest, 18 CF, manual defrost, 10 years old              | 730             | 51       | 12          | 610            | \$ 79       | Refrigerator—22 CF, side-by-side, 20 years old           | 730             | 135      | 12          | 1619           | \$210       |
| Freezer Chest, 17 CF, manual defrost, new *                     | 730             | 36       | 12          | 426            | \$ 55       | Refrigerator—22 CF, side-by-side, 10 years old           | 730             | 96       | 12          | 1146           | \$149       |
| Freezer Upright, 17 CF, auto defrost, 20 years old              | 730             | 112      | 12          | 1342           | \$174       | Refrigerator—22 CF, side-by-side, new *                  | 730             | 56       | 12          | 675            | \$ 88       |
| Freezer Upright, 17 CF, auto defrost, 10 years old              | 730             | 90       | 12          | 1082           | \$141       | Satellite/Cable Receiver Box *                           | 730             | 18       | 12          | 219            | \$ 28       |
| Freezer Upright, 17 CF, auto defrost, new *                     | 730             | 57       | 12          | 685            | \$ 89       | Stereo   | 90              | 5        | 12          | 54             | \$ 7        |
| Freezer Upright, 17 CF, manual defrost, 20 years old            | 730             | 76       | 12          | 917            | \$119       | Swimming Pool Filter Pump                                | 365             | 274      | 4           | 1095           | \$142       |
| Freezer Upright, 17 CF, manual defrost, 10 years old            | 730             | 51       | 12          | 608            | \$ 79       | Television—15" to 27" standard *                         | 150             | 18       | 12          | 216            | \$ 28       |
| Freezer Upright, 17 CF, manual defrost, new *                   | 730             | 40       | 12          | 479            | \$ 62       | Television—27" LCD flat screen *                         | 150             | 18       | 12          | 216            | \$ 28       |
| Furnace Fan   | 178             | 152      | 6           | 914            | \$119       | Television—42" Plasma *                                  | 150             | 49       | 12          | 588            | \$ 76       |
| Hair Dryer (10 minutes per day)                                 | 5               | 6        | 12          | 75             | \$ 10       | Toaster Oven (5 minutes per day)                         | 3               | 4        | 12          | 43             | \$ 6        |
| Heat Tape—30' (thermostatically controlled)                     | 365             | 77       | 6           | 460            | \$ 60       | Water Heater—50 gallon tank                              | 83              | 386      | 12          | 4626           | \$601       |
| Heater—electric baseboard: 10'                                  | 240             | 300      | 5           | 3000           | \$390       | Waterbed Heater (queen size)                             | 256             | 96       | 12          | 1152           | \$150       |
| Heater—engine block   | 180             | 135      | 4           | 540            | \$ 70       | Well Pump  | 17              | 12       | 12          | 140            | \$ 18       |
| Heater—portable (1500 watt, 8 hours per day)                    | 240             | 360      | 6           | 2160           | \$281       |  |                 |          |             |                |             |
| Heating System—hot water circulator (3 zones)                   | 178             | 48       | 6           | 288            | \$ 37       |  |                 |          |             |                |             |
| Hot Tub—indoor  | 70              | 196      | 12          | 2350           | \$306       |  |                 |          |             |                |             |

<sup>1</sup> Cost does not include gas use.

<sup>2</sup> Cost does not include hot water.

High Energy Use Appliances—operating costs annually of \$100 or more—are listed in green. Average usage data compiled by Efficiency Vermont.

## What this chart can show you

With this chart, you'll be able to see how quickly your energy bill can add up when you use appliances and lighting not manufactured with energy efficiency in mind. For example, take a look at lighting. If you have ten lamps in your house, each with a 100W incandescent bulb, you can expect to pay about \$160 to light your home each year. Energy-efficient bulbs will keep those lamps lit for around \$47. Plus, they last six to eight times longer.

## About this chart

This chart is a guide and individual household costs may vary.

- The appliances listed are all electric appliances.
- *Hours in Use* is based on a typical four-person household. Your hours may vary; adjust accordingly.
- *Annual kWh* may vary considerably depending upon model, age, and use.

\* *Annual Cost* is based upon the statewide average of 13 cents per kiloWatt hour (kWh).

To estimate the Annual Cost of operating an appliance: Multiply the *Annual kWh* by your utility's kWh rate or by the statewide average of .13; for example:

Annual Cost for a Television—15"-27"

|            |   |                            |   |             |
|------------|---|----------------------------|---|-------------|
| 216        | x | .13                        | = | \$28        |
| Annual kWh |   | kWh rate statewide average |   | ANNUAL COST |

# Nuclear Energy



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## Power Reactor Status Report for February 16, 2006

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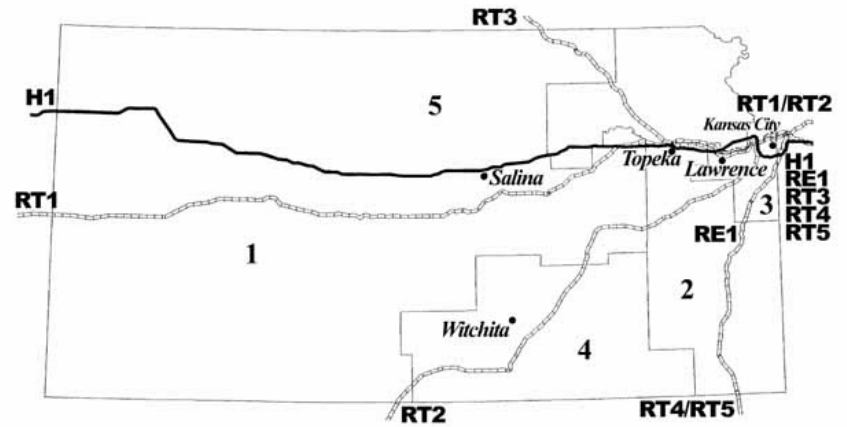
| Unit                        | Power |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Arkansas Nuclear 1          | 100   |
| Arkansas Nuclear 2          | 100   |
| Callaway                    | 100   |
| Columbia Generating Station | 60    |
| Comanche Peak 1             | 100   |
| Comanche Peak 2             | 100   |
| Cooper                      | 100   |
| Diablo Canyon 1             | 100   |
| Diablo Canyon 2             | 100   |
| Fort Calhoun                | 100   |
| Grand Gulf 1                | 100   |
| Palo Verde 1                | 25    |
| Palo Verde 2                | 100   |
| Palo Verde 3                | 100   |
| River Bend 1                | 0     |
| San Onofre 2                | 0     |
| San Onofre 3                | 100   |
| South Texas 1               | 100   |
| South Texas 2               | 100   |
| Waterford 3                 | 100   |
| Wolf Creek 1                | 100   |

#### Notes:

- Reactor status data collected between 4 a.m. and 8 a.m. each day.
- All times are based on eastern time.

Number of nuclear units: 1  
 Wolf Creek, Burlington, Kan.  
 Nuclear energy supplies **20.4 percent** of the electricity generated in Kansas.

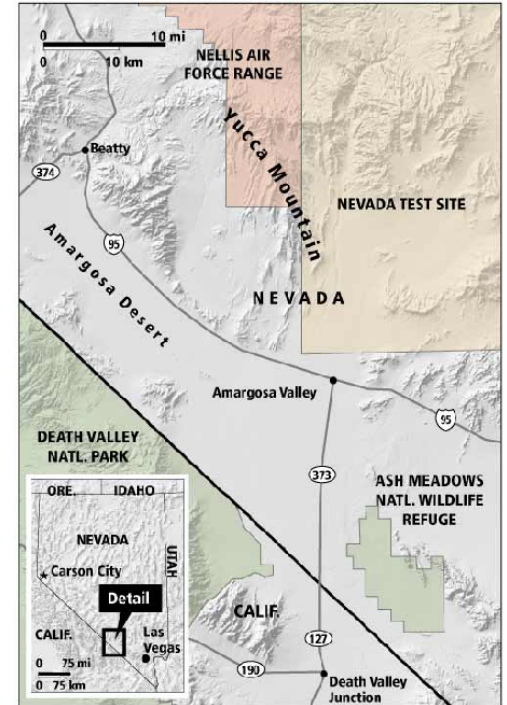
## TRANSPORTATION OF NUCLEAR WASTE IN KANSAS



<http://www.mindfully.org/Nucs/Maps/ks.htm>

### Nuclear dump

On Thursday, the energy secretary formally selected Yucca Mountain in Nevada to be the burial site for the nation's nuclear waste.



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<http://www.reviewjournal.com/news/yuccamtn/yuccamap.jpg>



# Nuclear fuel

*Cradle to crypt*

The Energy Department has received congressional approval to ship the nation's high-level nuclear waste to Yucca Mountain for disposal. The materials the department plans to seal inside the mountain, 100 miles northwest of Las Vegas, weigh 77,000 tons, or 70,000 metric tons. One metric ton of these heavy metals would fill a space the size of a refrigerator. Since the first U.S. power reactors were built in the late 1950s, spent fuel has been stored at those sites. The Environmental Protection Agency has required that the repository protect the public from harmful radiation for 10,000 years. However, some of those materials will remain dangerously radioactive beyond the 10,000-year period.

Graphic by MIKE JANSON/STEVENS JOURNAL

## Uranium: the beginning

Uranium, a naturally occurring radioactive material, is mined throughout North America. Utah, Wyoming and Colorado are large producers. The ore is refined into a brightly colored solid uranium compound known as "yellow cake."

The yellow cake is then converted into various uranium metal alloys or compounds to be formed into pellets for usable nuclear fuel.

The uranium pellets are clad in metals such as stainless steel or zirconium to provide structural strength and prevent the release of radioactive particles.



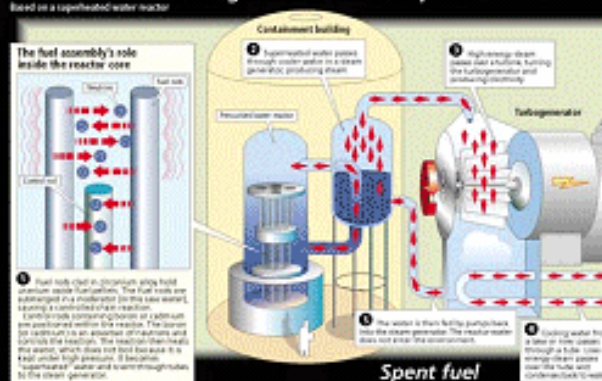
## The fuel assembly

A reactor core comprises many fuel assemblies and control rods, which work together to create a controlled reaction. There are many different configurations of fuel assemblies, some having hundreds of fuel rods. Each fuel rod is fabricated with several pellets of low-enriched uranium. The rods are made of zirconium alloy and are known as clad rods. The control rods are filled with cadmium alloy and are known as absorber rods. A fuel assembly can be as long as 18 feet.



## How a nuclear reactor generates electrical power

Based on a pressurized water reactor



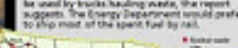
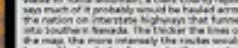
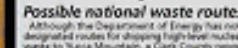
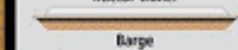
## Spent fuel

Spent or used fuel has been removed from the reactor because it can no longer generate energy efficiently. Spent fuel is highly radioactive and can be as hot as 200 degrees. Used fuel assemblies must be kept in a cooling pool for at least five years before they can be repackaged in casks and removed for storage on concrete.

## Waste transportation

The waste would be contained and sealed inside shipping casks, similar to the one shown below, and moved by truck, rail or barge. Routes across the United States would use highways, railways and waterways. The shipments would be made under high security.

## Cask construction

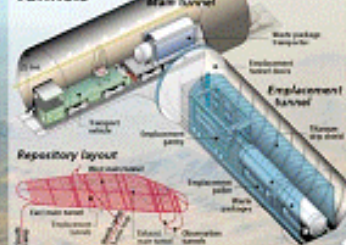


# YUCCA MOUNTAIN

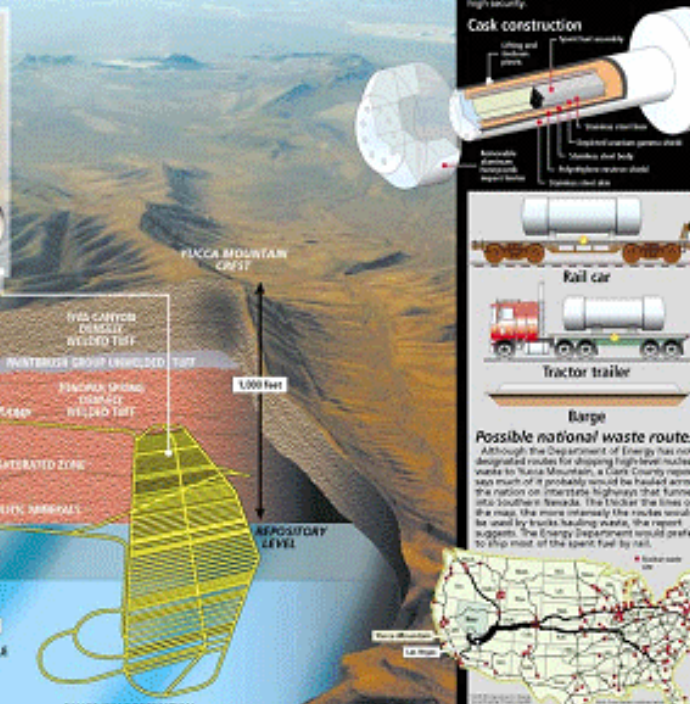
## Surface facility



## Tunnels



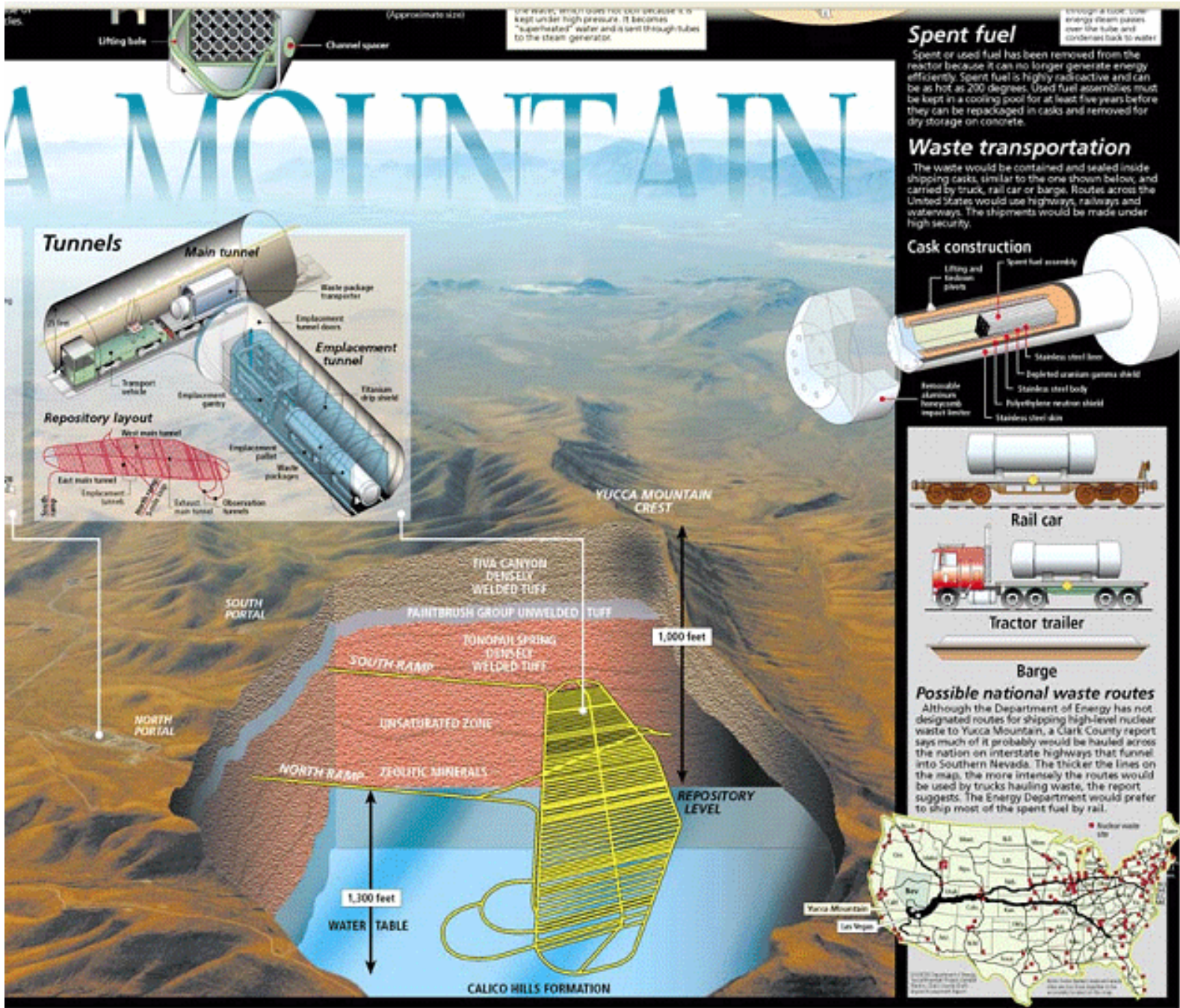
## Nevada transportation plans



## Possible national waste routes

Although the Department of Energy has not designated routes for shipping high-level nuclear waste to Yucca Mountain, a Kern County report says much of it probably would be loaded across the nation on interstate highways that funnel into Southern Nevada. The nuclear lines on the map, the more intensely the routes would be used by trucks hauling waste, the report suggests. The Energy Department would prefer to ship most of the spent fuel by rail.





# Environmental Aspects of Nuclear Power in Kansas

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During 2000, Kansas' nuclear power plants avoided approximately 49,000 tons of sulfur dioxide emissions, 20,000 tons of nitrogen oxide emissions, and 2.09 million metric tons of carbon emissions.

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Since 1985, consumers of electricity from Wolf Creek have committed **\$176 million** into the federal Nuclear Waste Fund to finance nuclear waste management. Used fuel at Wolf Creek is being temporarily stored in water-filled vaults.

# Conclusions

- Energy Research in Kansas & KU is addressing alternative energy options
- Energy use and fuel sources being evaluated with high prices
- Policy changes being developed at state and national levels to support alternative forms of energy
- Changing views on fossil energy dependence based on higher prices, unstable political situations in areas of current supply, and climate change, remaining resources
- Are high oil and gas prices good? – provide incentives to develop alternative energy
- Biomass, ethanol, biodiesel, synfuels, land fill gas, carbon sequestration are viable options in Kansas today
- Fuels Cells are wave of future in transportation and residential energy
- Electric Vehicles are hindered by energy storage
- Wind Power is economic
- Nuclear is viable option under right conditions for transportation and storage of waste. Fusion power is on the horizon.