

## Class 6

### Oil and Natural Gas Production

## History of Petroleum

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| 1859 – First well at Titusville, PA        | 1903 – Wright Brothers' first flight           |
| 1870 – Rockefeller founds Standard Oil     | 1905 – Russian revolution, Baku fields torched |
| 1873 – Baku (Russia) oil field opened      | 1905 – Glenn Pool discovered in Oklahoma       |
| 1882 – Thomas Edison discovers electricity | 1907 – First drive-in gas station, St. Louis   |
| 1896 – Henry Ford builds his first car     | 1908 – Discovery of oil in Persia              |
| 1901 – First gusher, Spindeltop in Texas   | 1911 – US Supreme Court dissolves Standard Oil |

Table 7.1 World oil production 1900–2000<sup>1</sup>

Year	World production (millions of barrels per day)	Percentage accounted for by:		
		North and Central America	Middle East	FSU <sup>2</sup>
1900	0.4	43	–	50
1910	0.9	65	–	22
1920	1.9	87	2	6
1930	4.1	66	3	15
1940	6.0	66	5	13
1950	10.9	57	17	8
1960	21.9	40	24	16
1970	48.0	28	29	15
1980	62.7	23	30	20
1990	65.7	21	27	18
2000	74.5	19	39	11

<sup>1</sup> Figures include crude oil, shale oil, oil from tar sands, 'heavy' oil and natural gas liquids.

<sup>2</sup> Area covered by the former Soviet Union.

Source: Shell, 1966; BP, various years

Table 7.2 World trade in crude oil, 1960–2000, in millions of barrels per day

Year	Total	Imports to:				Exports from:			
		US	Europe	Japan	Rest of world	Middle East	North and West Africa	Canada and Latin America	Rest of world
1960 <sup>1</sup>	10.0	2.0	6.0	1.2	0.8	6.0	1.0	2.5	0.5
1970	25.5	3.2	12.9	4.3	5.1	12.9	5.8	4.1	2.7
1980	31.4	6.2	11.8	5.0	8.4	17.5	5.3	4.3	4.3
1990	30.5	7.1	9.8	4.8	8.8	14.2	4.9	4.7	6.7
2000	38.8	10.2	9.7	5.3	13.6	18.9	6.0	6.5	7.4

<sup>1</sup> Figures for 1960 are estimates extrapolated from Shell data.

Source: BP, various years

Table 7.4 World natural gas consumption 1970–2000, millions of tonnes of oil equivalent

Year	Total	North America	FSU	Japan <sup>1</sup>	Western Europe	Other
1970	955	590	185	negligible	70	110
1980	1270	550	350	25	190	155
1990	1770	540	600	50	230	350
2000	2160	650	490	70	350 <sup>2</sup>	600

<sup>1</sup> All Japanese consumption is imports.

<sup>2</sup> Western Europe currently imports around 30% of its gas from Russia and 5% from Algeria.

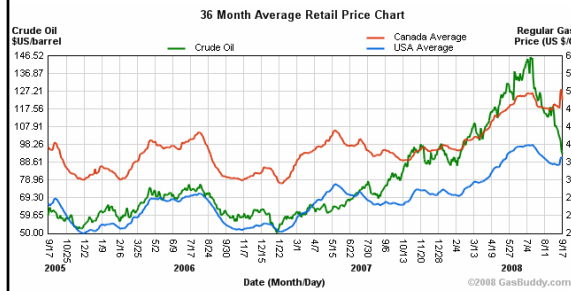
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## Quiz!





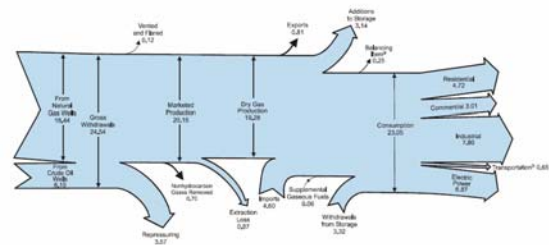
## More Recent Prices



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## Natural Gas Flow Diagram

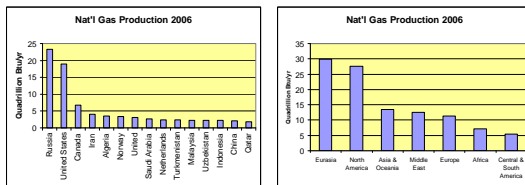
Diagram 3. Natural Gas Flow, 2007  
DOE Annual Energy Review, 2006  
(Trillion Cubic Feet)



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## Natural Gas Production

Who are the top producers?



## Article from C&E News

Sept 2007

### VALUING FLARED NATURAL GAS

**RESOURCE CONSERVATION:**  
World Bank urges an end to burning the resource as waste

Flares rise out of a gas flare on an oil well.

**L**AST YEAR, enough natural gas to supply 27% of U.S. needs was burned off as waste around the world, according to a new report by the World Bank. Flared natural gas is a by-product of petroleum production and is not generally considered worth capturing and sale, the bank adds.

However, the bank estimates the gas could be worth as much as \$40 billion if sold on the U.S. market, where natural gas demand is high because of its use as a chemical feedstock and fuel.

Global gas flaring releases about 420 million tons of carbon dioxide to the atmosphere each year, and the practice has remained mostly stable at 150

billion to 170 billion m<sup>3</sup> annually over the past 12 years, according to the World Bank report.

To generate the data, the World Bank collaborated with the U.S. National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration to pinpoint the extent of flaring through close examination of satellite imagery gathered from 400 miles above ground.

"Gas flaring harms the environment and wastes a cleaner source of energy that could generate much needed electricity in poor countries," says Bent Stenerson, manager of the World Bank's program to reduce gas flaring. Cutting gas flaring can be costly, however, Stenerson notes, adding that alternatives encouraged by the bank include reinjecting natural gas to increase oil production, liquefying it for international shipment, piping it to markets, using it on-site for electricity generation, or distributing it for use in nearby communities.

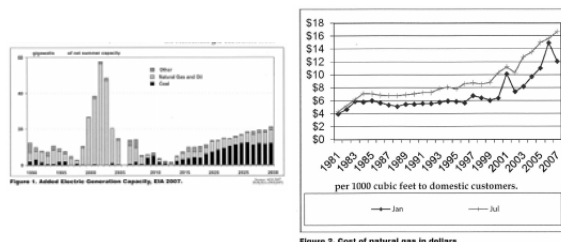
Stenerson urges implementation of an international system of carbon penalties and credits to increase the value of natural gas as a cleaner fuel and to discourage flaring. The World Bank has projects to reduce gas flaring in eight countries.

The report found that the greatest amount of flaring of natural gas takes place in Russia (30.7 billion m<sup>3</sup>), Nigeria (23.0 billion m<sup>3</sup>), Iran (11.4 billion m<sup>3</sup>), and Iraq (8.1 billion m<sup>3</sup>). The U.S. was not among the top 20 gas-flaring countries, according to the report.

The report is available at [www.worldbank.org](http://www.worldbank.org). —JEFF JOHNSON

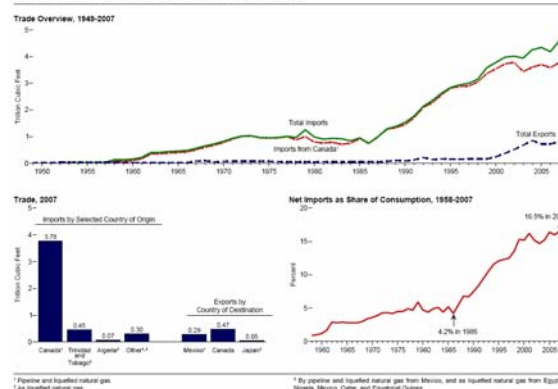
## Impact of Electricity Generation from Natural Gas

From Tom Robl, CAER, [http://www.caer.uky.edu/energeia/PDF/vol19\\_35.pdf](http://www.caer.uky.edu/energeia/PDF/vol19_35.pdf)

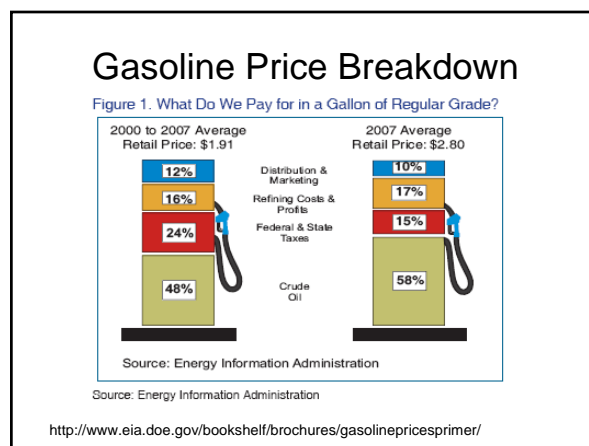
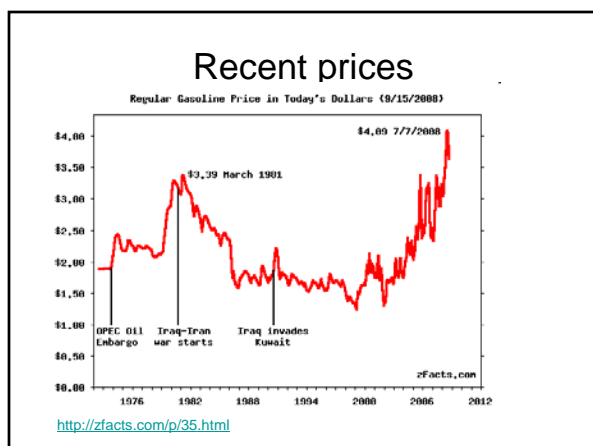
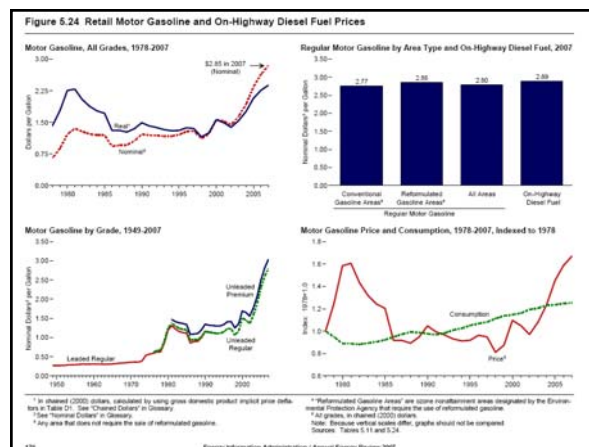
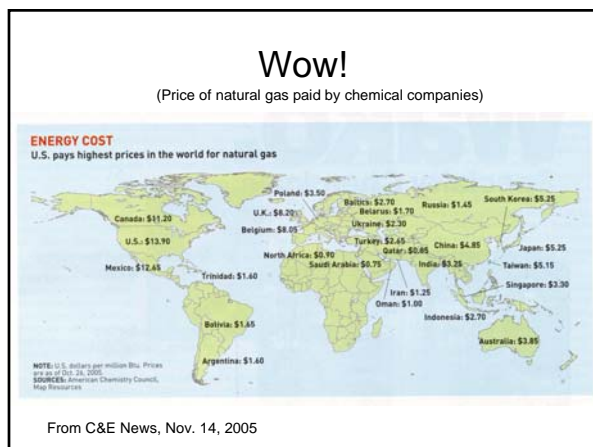
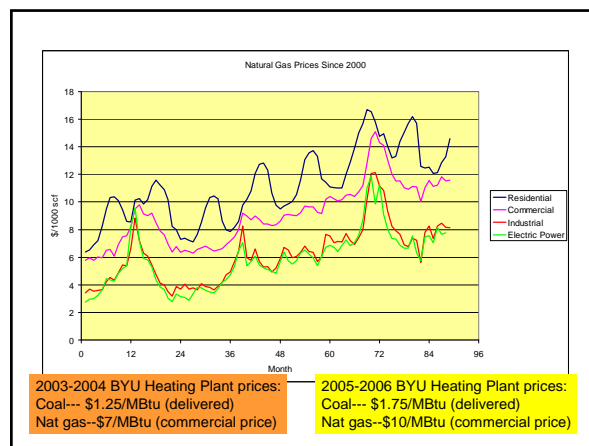
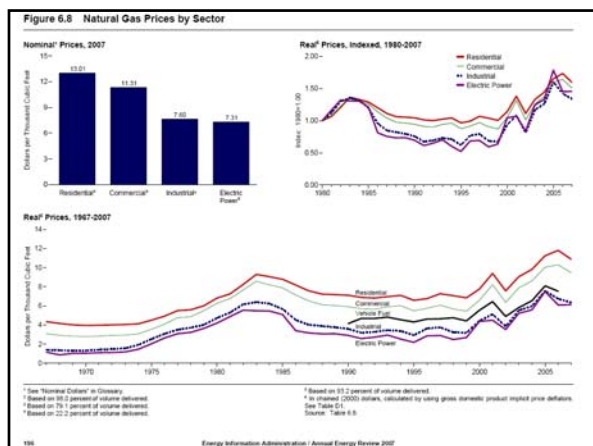


- Rise of 2%/year in prices until 1999, then 9%/yr from 2000-2006!
- Increased demand has caused instability in prices and more imports

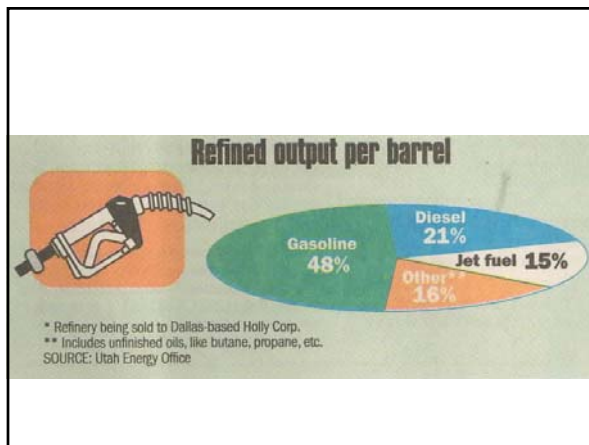
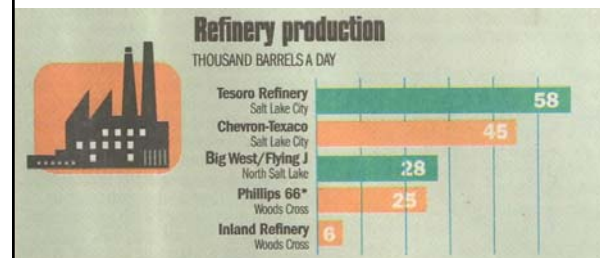
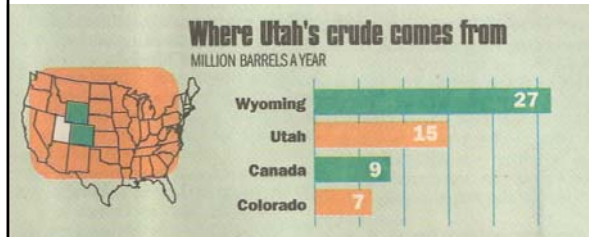
Figure 6.3 Natural Gas Imports, Exports, and Net Imports



<sup>1</sup> Pipeline and liquefied natural gas.  
<sup>2</sup> Liquefied natural gas.  
Source: Table 6.3



Data from Deseret News, 2003



## Terms Used in the Refinery

- **Reforming** paraffin → aromatic  
(hexane ⇒ benzene) .... increases octane rating
- **Isomerization** n-alkane → iso-alkane  
(62 octane ⇒ 92 octane)
- **Alkylation** small olefin + small butane → alkylate  
(butylene + butane ⇒ iso-octane)
- **Hydrotreating**  $H_2 + S \text{ or } N \rightarrow H_2S \text{ or } NH_3$   
( $H_2S$  and  $NH_3$  are easier to separate)
- **Cracking** Long chain ( $C_{20}$ ) → Smaller chains  
( $C_8 + C_{12}$ )
- **Desulfurization** sulfur removal
- **Dewaxing** removal of waxes (long-chain alkanes)  
(crude from Vernal area is high in waxes)