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# Energy Markets



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**Mission:** EIA provides data and analysis to help stakeholders understand the rapidly changing energy landscape across all fuels and all sectors



# EIA information is used by a range of stakeholders



Source: 2015 EIA Web Customer Survey

## Examples of Activities

### Government

- Executive Agencies use EIA data to track energy markets, and program performance, and to analyze policy proposals
- Congress – policy development and agency funding
- State Governments – planning and program development

### Energy Sector

- Consumers – monitor price forecasts
- Producers – track inventory statistics

### Business/Industry

- Manufacturers – market research

### Finance/Consulting

- Commodities Analysts – market response to supply data

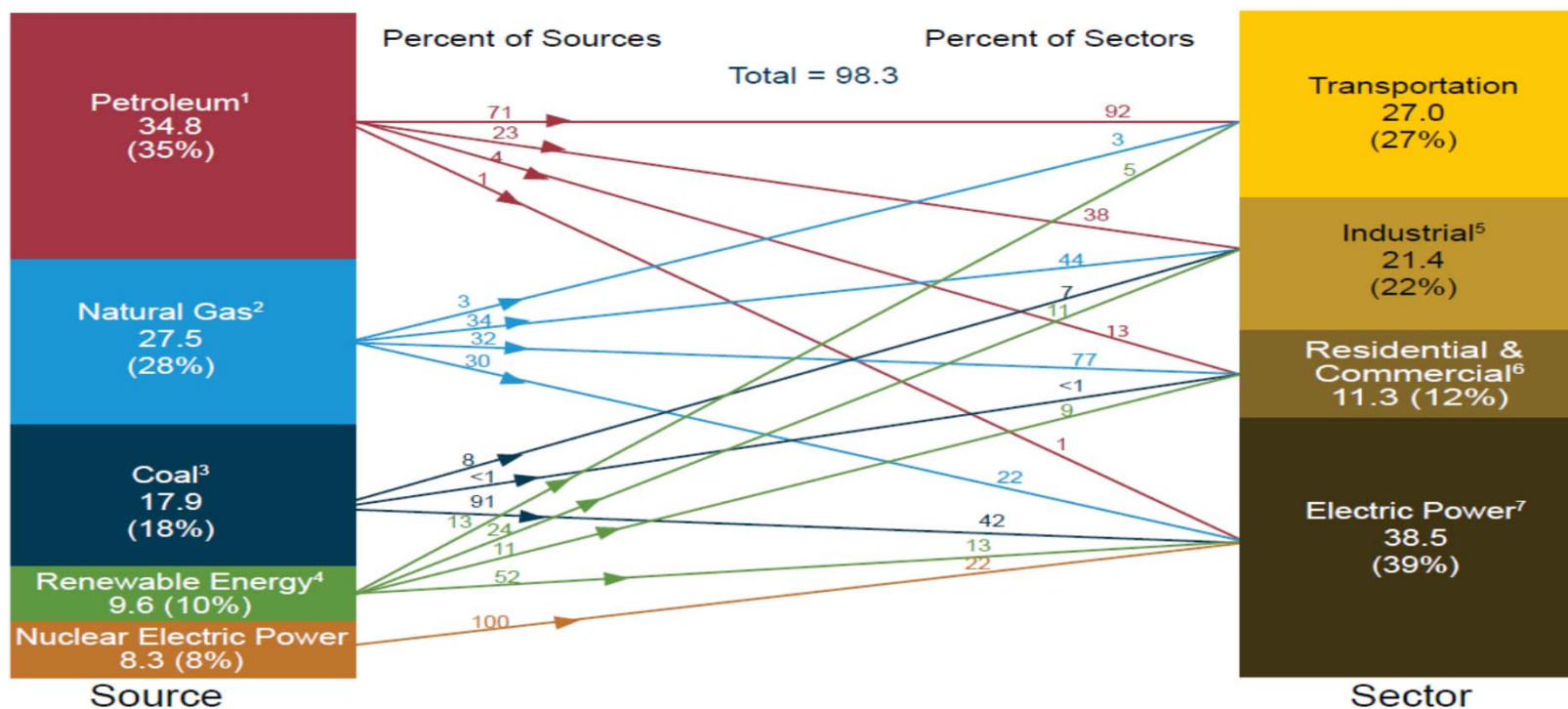
### Media/Education

- Journalists – cite energy statistics
- Teachers – use Energy Kids materials
- Researchers – energy forecasting and modeling

### Private Citizens

- Public – research gasoline prices

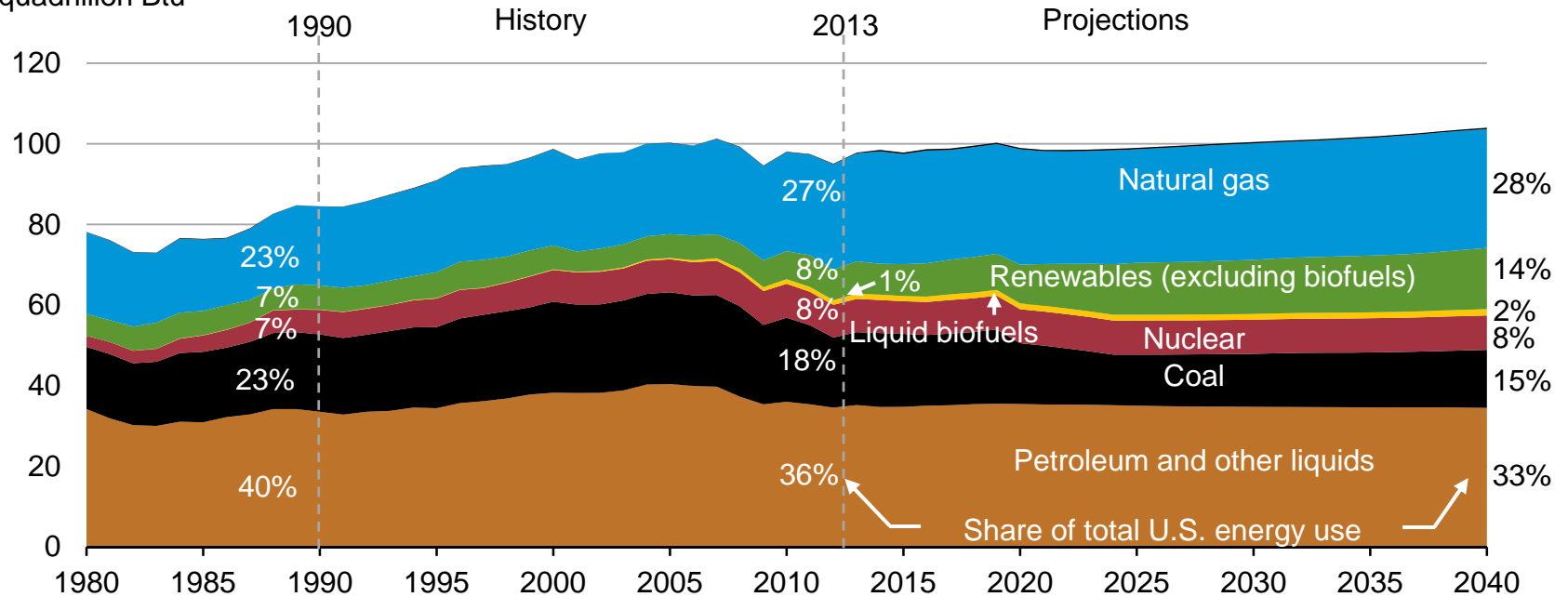
2014 U.S. primary energy use by source and sector  
quadrillion British thermal units



Source: EIA, Monthly Energy Review

# U.S. energy use grows slowly over the projection reflecting both economic recovery and energy efficiency improvement

U.S. primary energy consumption  
quadrillion Btu



Source: EIA, Analysis of the Impacts of the Clean Power Plan (May 2015), Base Policy case

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## Key results from the *2015 Annual Energy Outlook* (current laws and policies + *proposed Clean Power Plan*)

- Growing domestic production of natural gas and oil continues to reshape the U.S. energy economy
- Light-duty vehicle energy use declines sharply reflecting slowing growth in vehicle miles traveled and accelerated improvement in vehicle efficiency
- With continued growth in shale gas production, natural gas becomes the largest source of U.S. electric power generation, surpassing coal within 5 to 10 years, and boosting production and natural gas consumption in manufacturing
- Strong growth in domestic natural gas production supports increased exports of both pipeline and liquefied natural gas
- With strong growth in domestic oil and gas production, U.S. dependence on imported fuels falls sharply
- Improved efficiency of energy use and a shift away from carbon-intensive fuels keep U.S. energy-related carbon dioxide emissions below their 2005 level through 2040, even before consideration of the recently finalized Clean Power Plan

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## Key questions regarding the U.S. energy outlook

- Which path best characterizes U.S. hydrocarbon production growth over the next 5 to 10 years? How is the path influenced by prices, resources, and technology?
- What is the impact of possible relaxation of limitations on oil and natural gas exports for production growth and markets ?
- Will EPA's final rules for existing coal fired power plants be delayed by political or legal challenges, and how will states implement them?

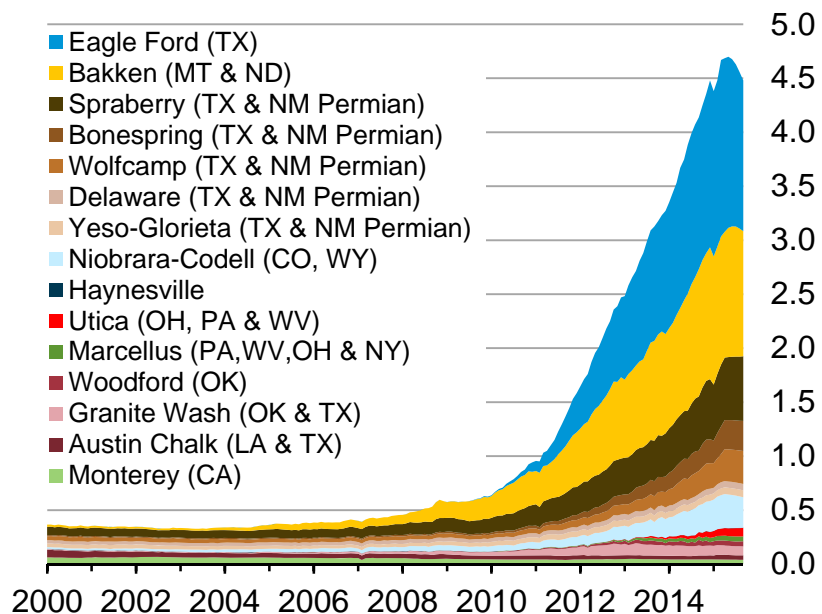
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# Shale oil and gas

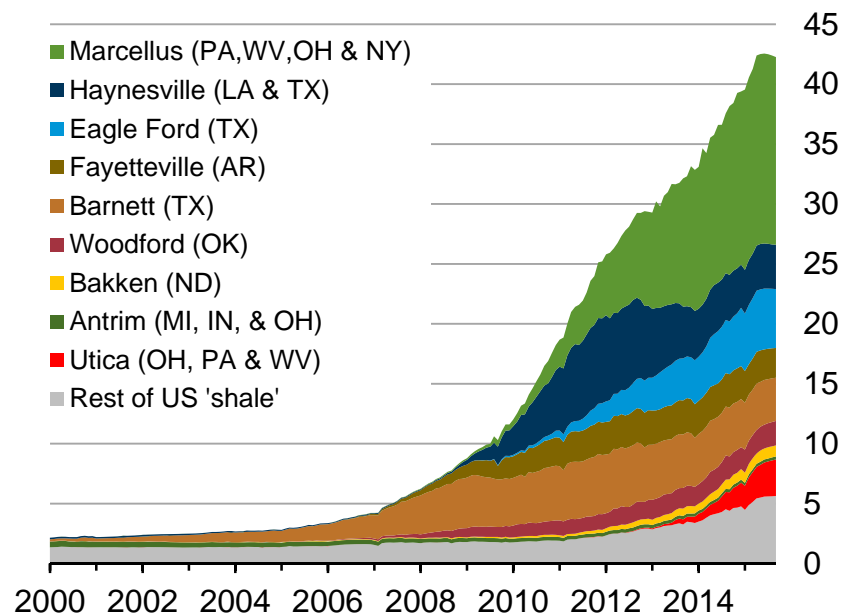


# The U.S. has experienced a rapid increase in natural gas and oil production from shale and other tight resources

U.S. tight oil production  
million barrels of oil per day



U.S. dry shale gas production  
billion cubic feet per day



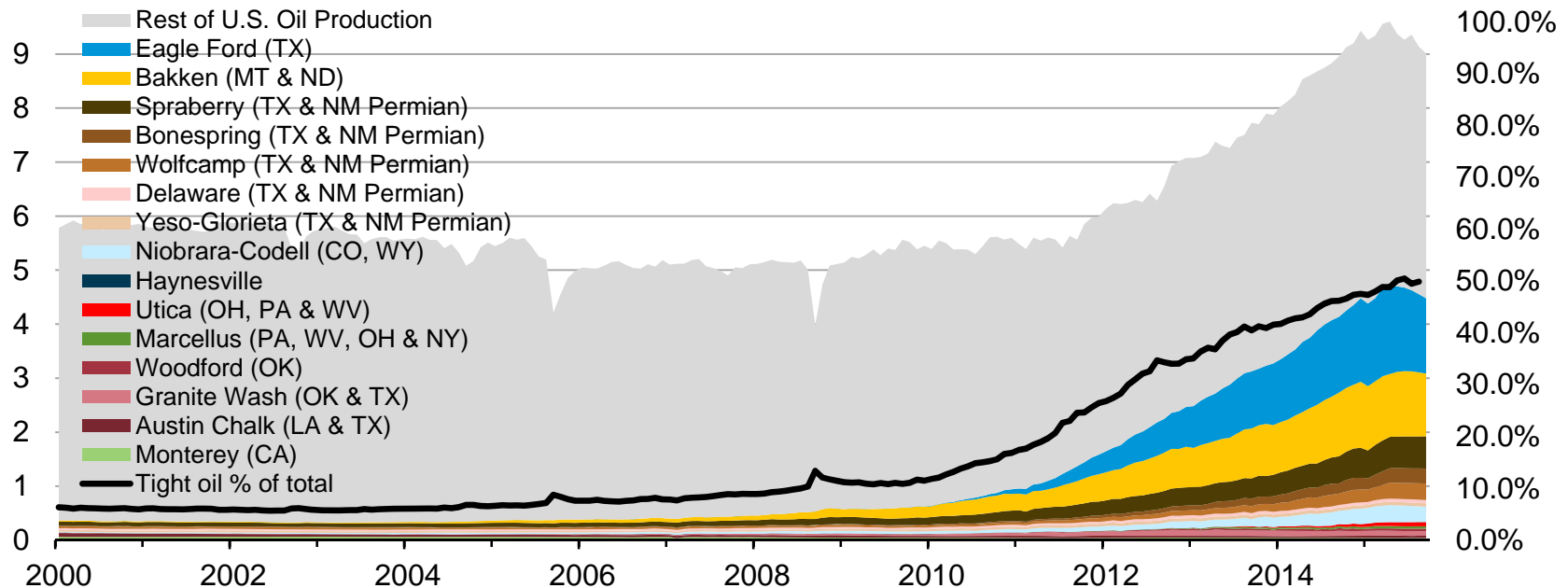
Sources: EIA derived from state administrative data collected by DrillingInfo Inc. Data are through September 2015 and represent EIA's official tight oil & shale gas estimates, but are not survey data. State abbreviations indicate primary state(s).

# Estimated U.S. tight oil production was 4.5 MMbbl/d in September 2015 about 50% of total U.S. oil production (9.0 MMbbl/d)

tight oil production

million barrels of oil per day

tight oil production as a percent of total oil production

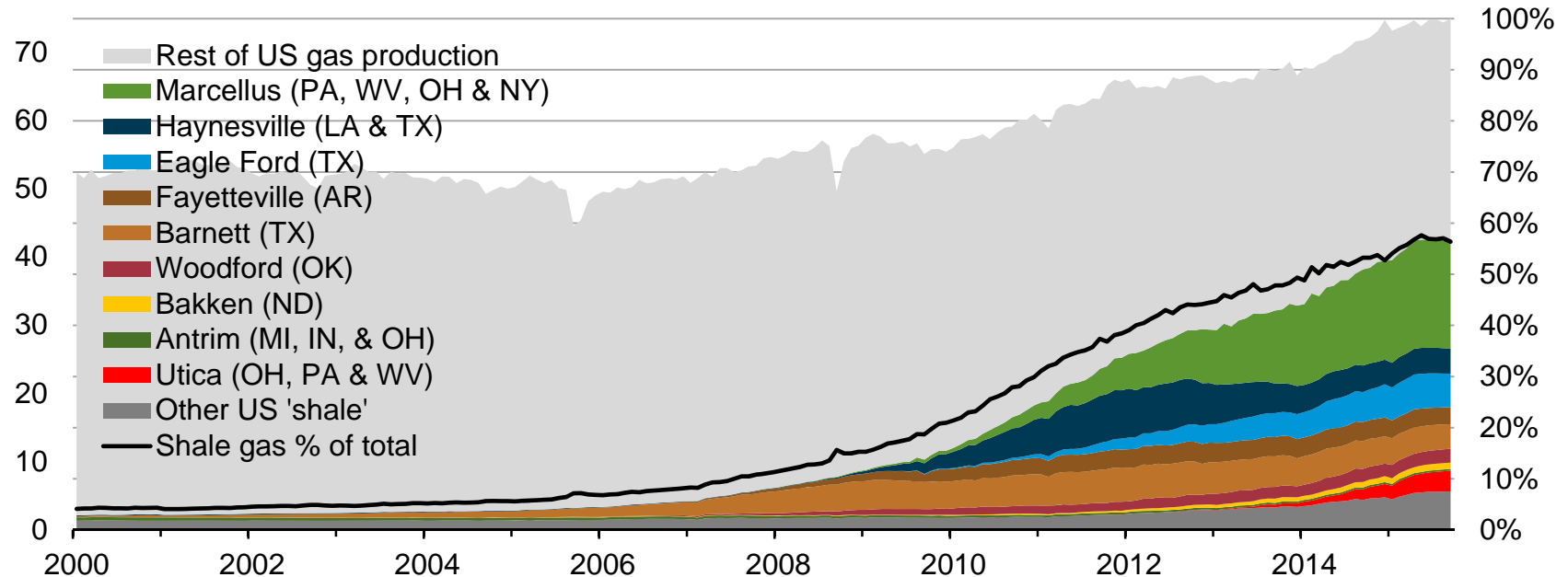


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# Estimated U.S. shale gas production was 42.3 Bcf/d in September 2015 about 56% of total U.S. dry production (74.9 Bcf/d)

Shale gas production as a percent of total gas production

Natural gas production (dry) billion cubic feet per day

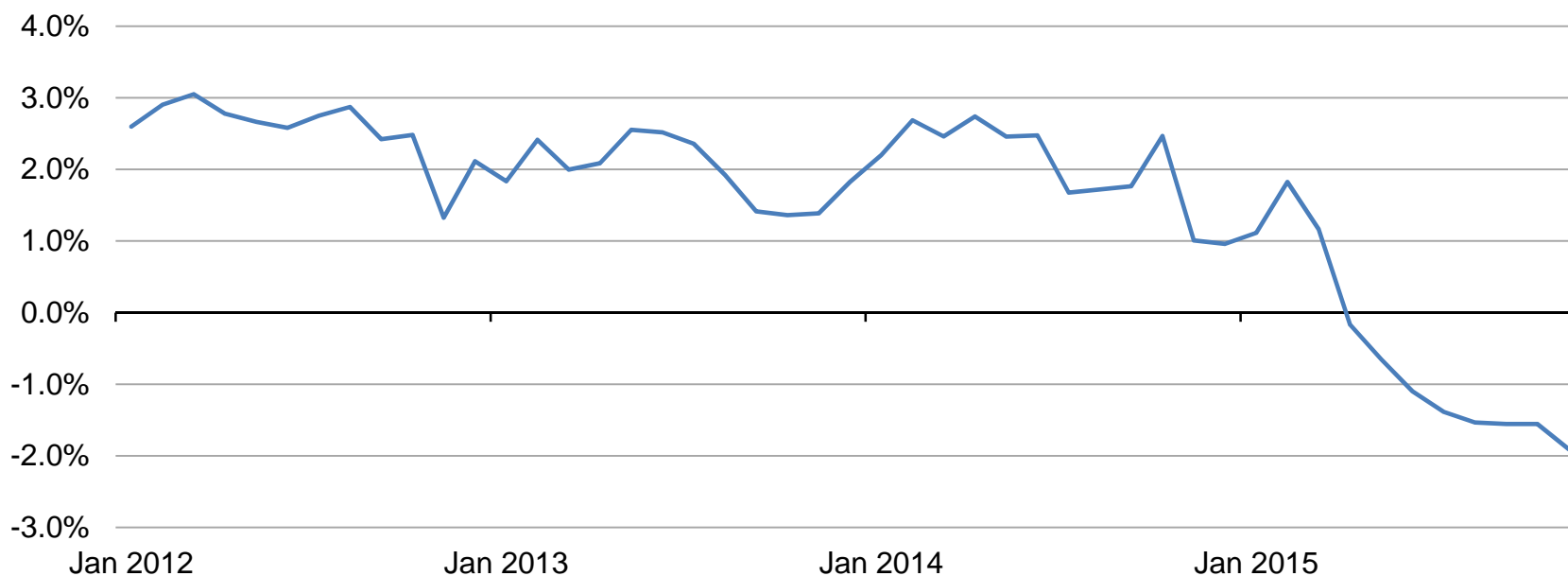


Sources: EIA Natural Gas Monthly data through December, STEO through September 2015 and Drilling Info.

## Production growth in top crude producing regions (Permian, Bakken, Niobrara, and Eagle Ford) reverses in early 2015

monthly percent change

three month rolling average



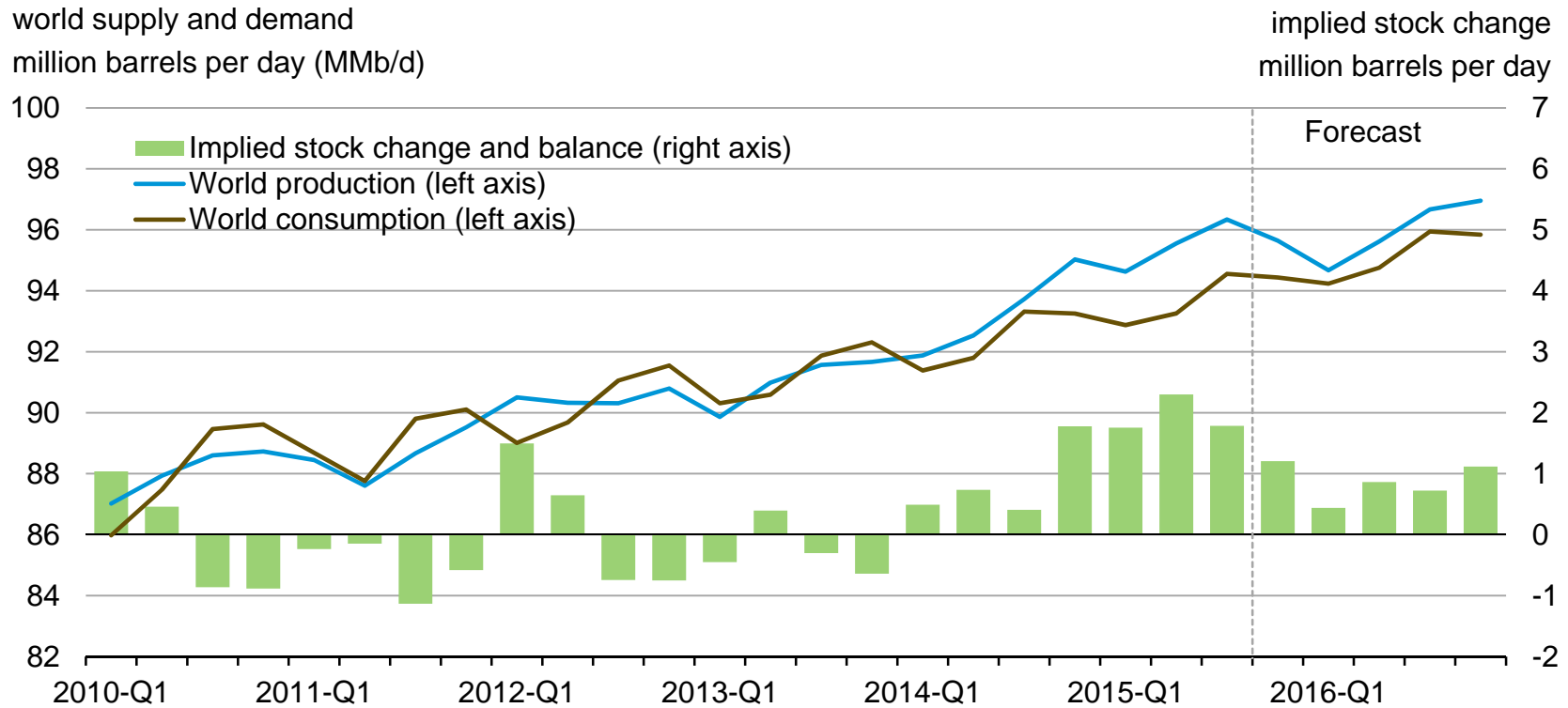
Source: EIA, *Drilling Productivity Report*, October 2015 (chart extends to November 2015)

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# Oil markets



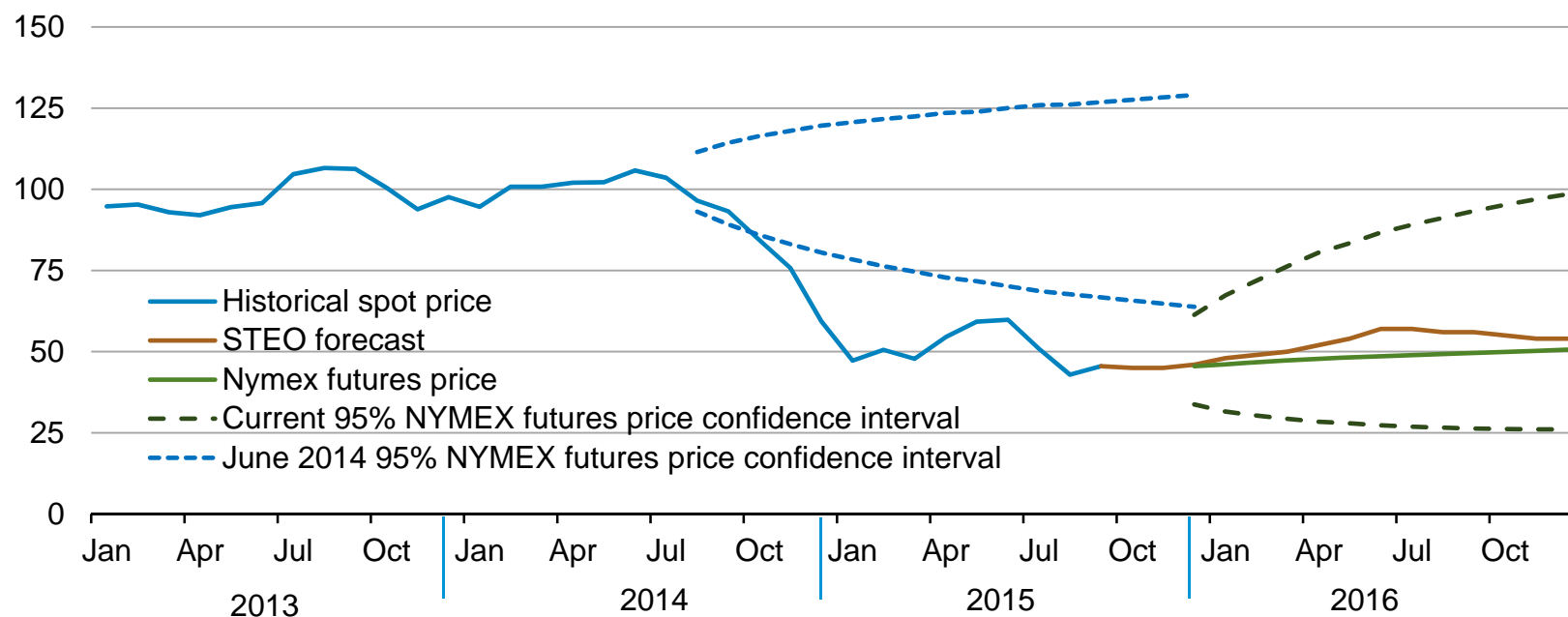
# Oil supply and demand begin to rebalance in 2016



Source: EIA, Short-Term Energy Outlook (October 2015)

## The market-implied confidence band for oil prices is very wide

WTI price  
dollars per barrel



Source: EIA, Short-Term Energy Outlook (October 2015)

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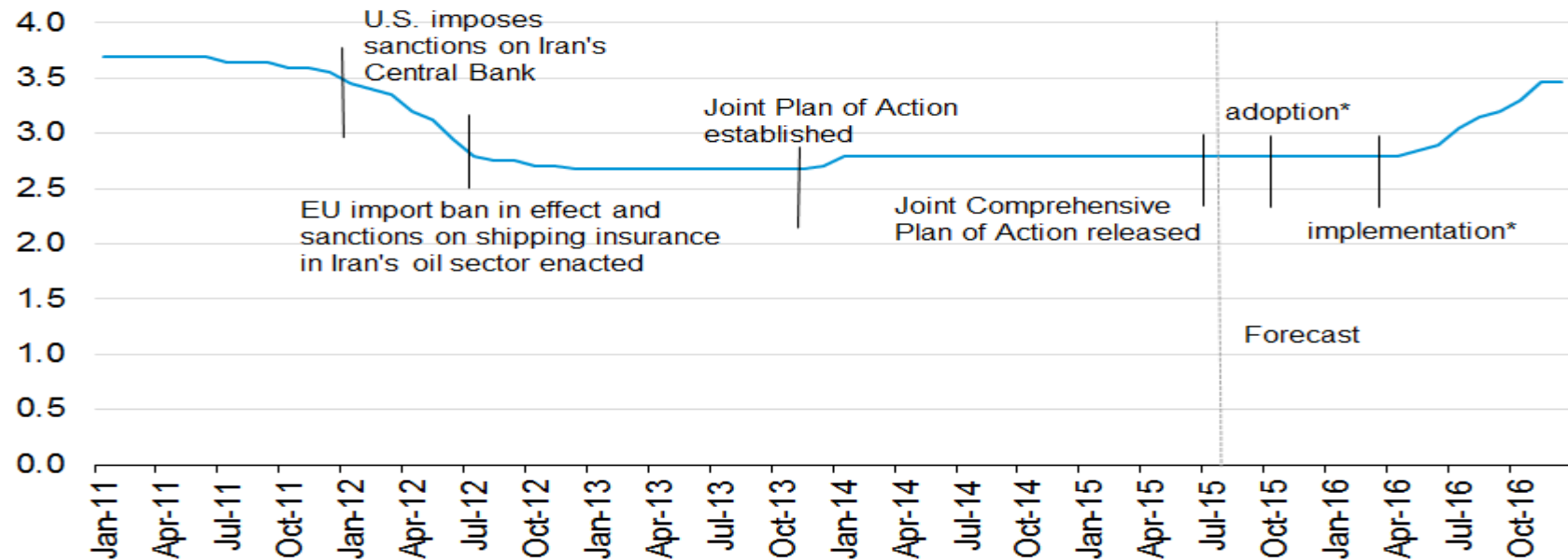
## Oil demand: Prices and economic growth are important, but policy, preferences, and technology may have a bigger long-term impact

- What types of consumption and pricing policies will be enacted across the world?
  - Fuel subsidies
  - Environmental policies
  - Domestic security policies
- What will light-duty vehicle trends look like?
  - Ownership rates
  - Efficiency and emissions standards
  - Technology/alternative fuels
- Where will goods be produced and how will they be moved?
- Will there be major industrial sector efficiency improvements or fuel switching?



## Iranian crude oil production is expected to begin increasing in the 2Q 2016, inventory sales could be sooner

Iranian crude oil production  
million barrels per day



Source: Energy Information Administration  
\*EIA's assessment

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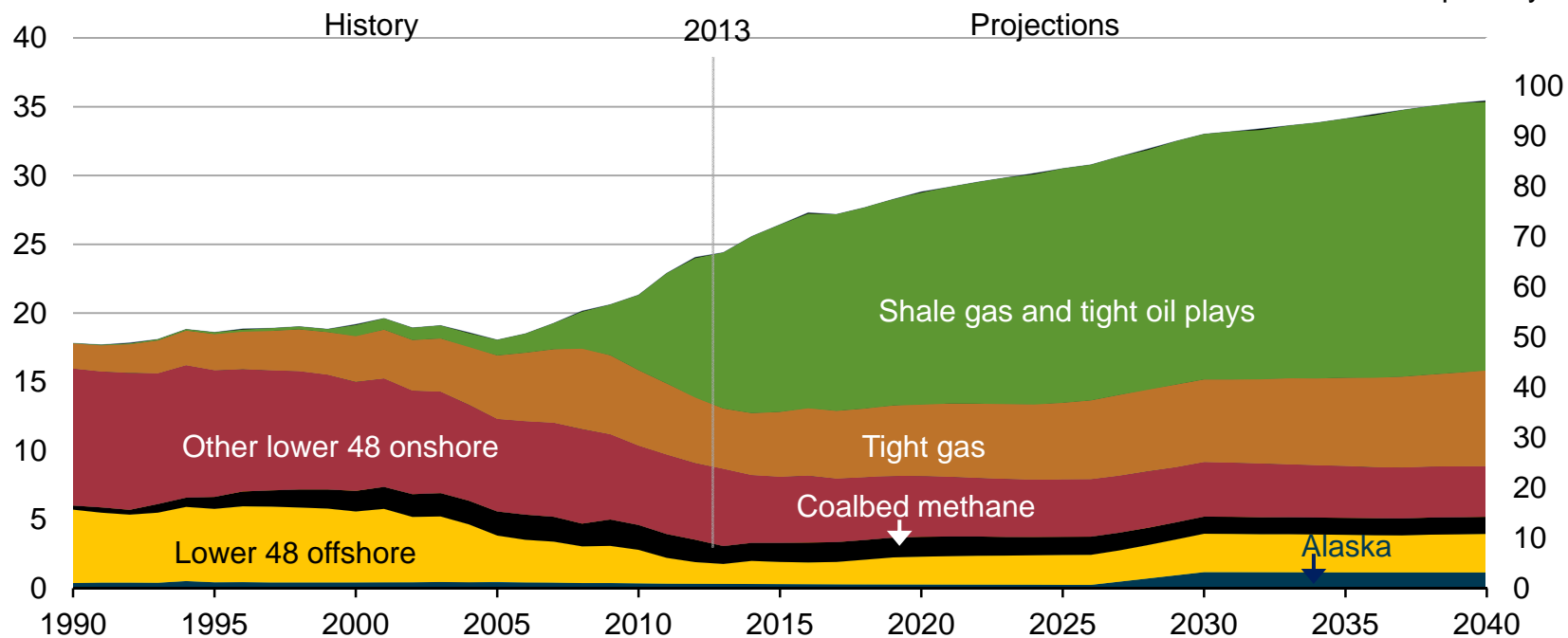
# Natural gas markets

# Shale resources remain the dominant source of U.S. natural gas production growth

U.S. dry natural gas production

trillion cubic feet

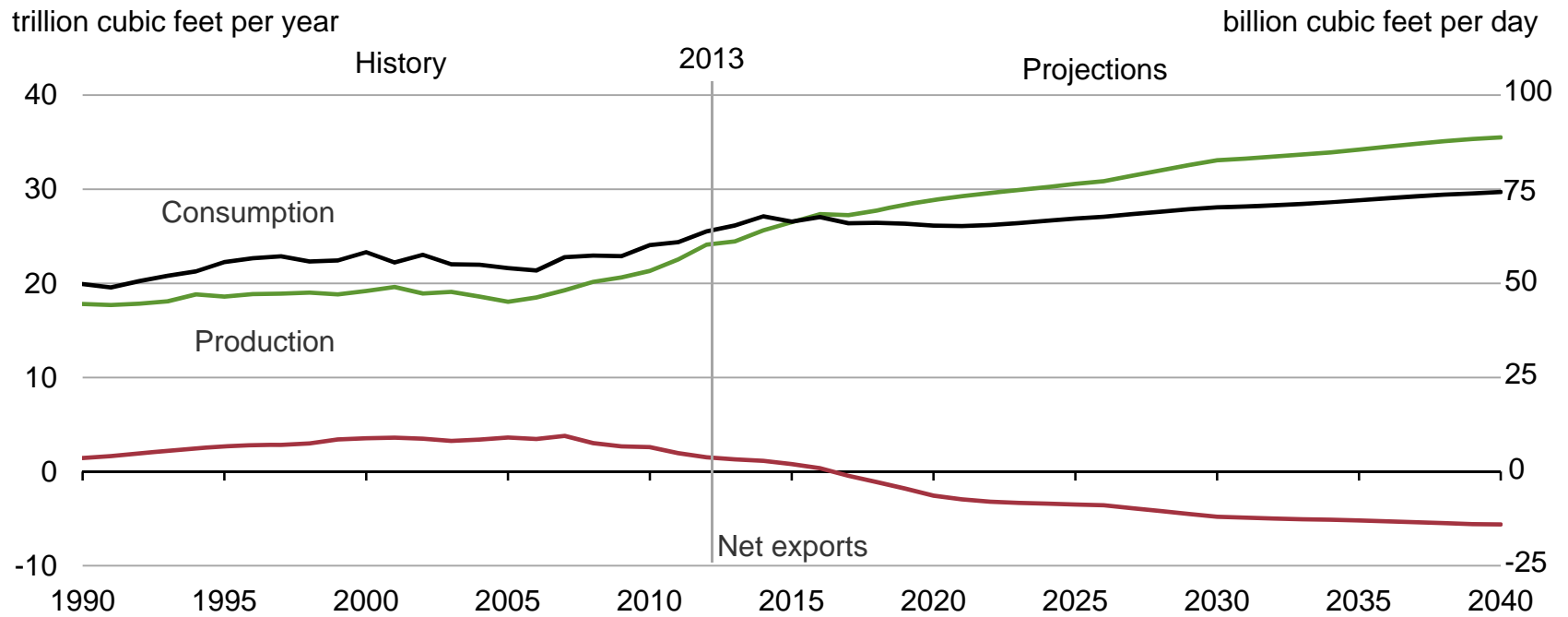
billion cubic feet per day



Source: EIA, Annual Energy Outlook 2015 Reference case

# U.S. becomes a net exporter of natural gas in the near future

U.S. dry natural gas  
trillion cubic feet per year

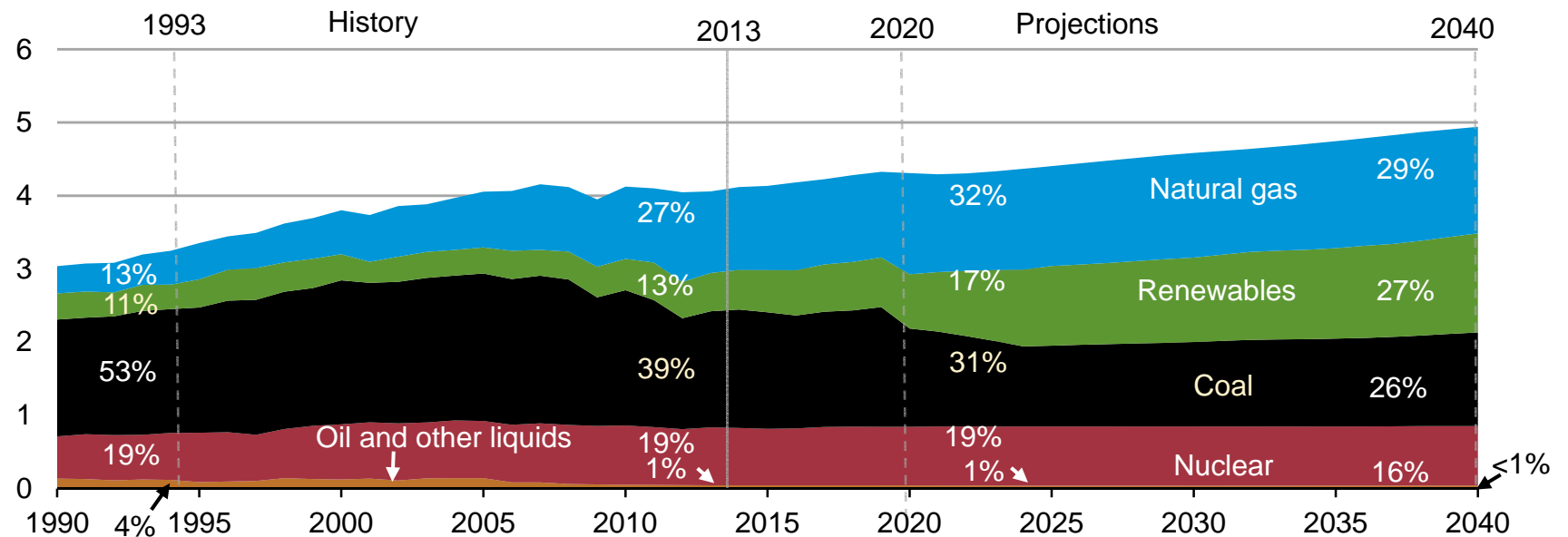


Source: EIA, Annual Energy Outlook 2015



## With the proposed Clean Power Plan, the electricity mix shifts to lower-carbon options, led initially by growth in natural gas and later by renewables generation

electricity net generation  
trillion kilowatthours per year



Source: EIA, Analysis of the Impacts of the Clean Power Plan (May 2015), Base Policy case

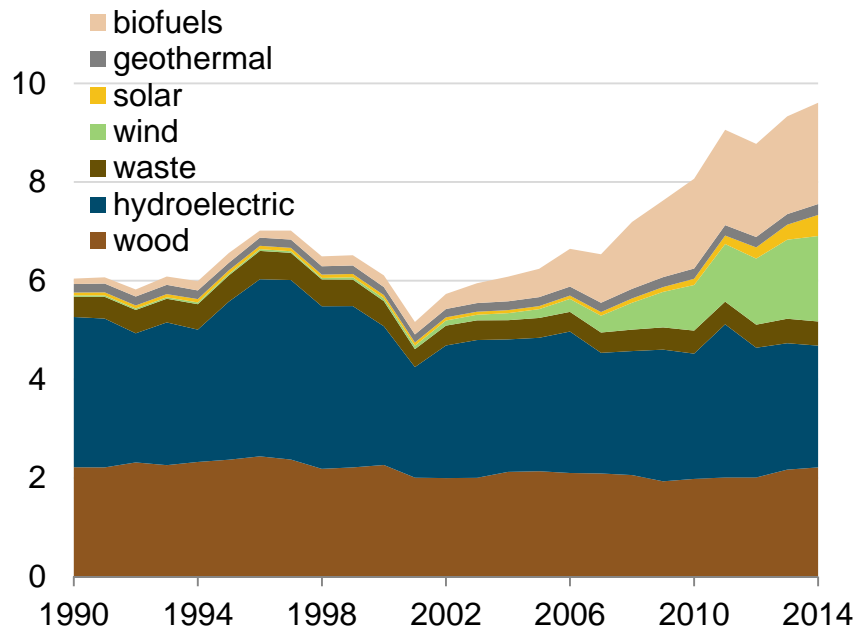
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# Renewable energy

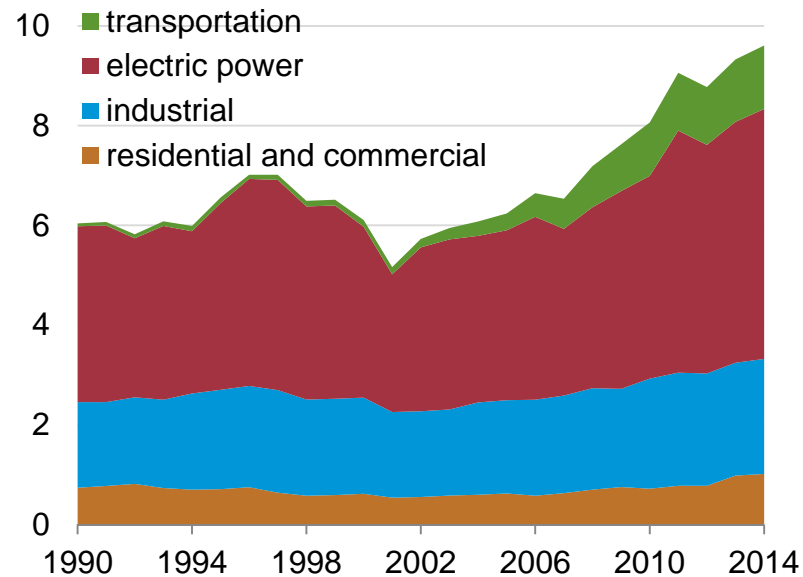


# U.S. renewable energy consumption, 1990 – 2014 by source and by sector

U.S. renewable energy consumption by source  
quadrillion British thermal units (Btu)



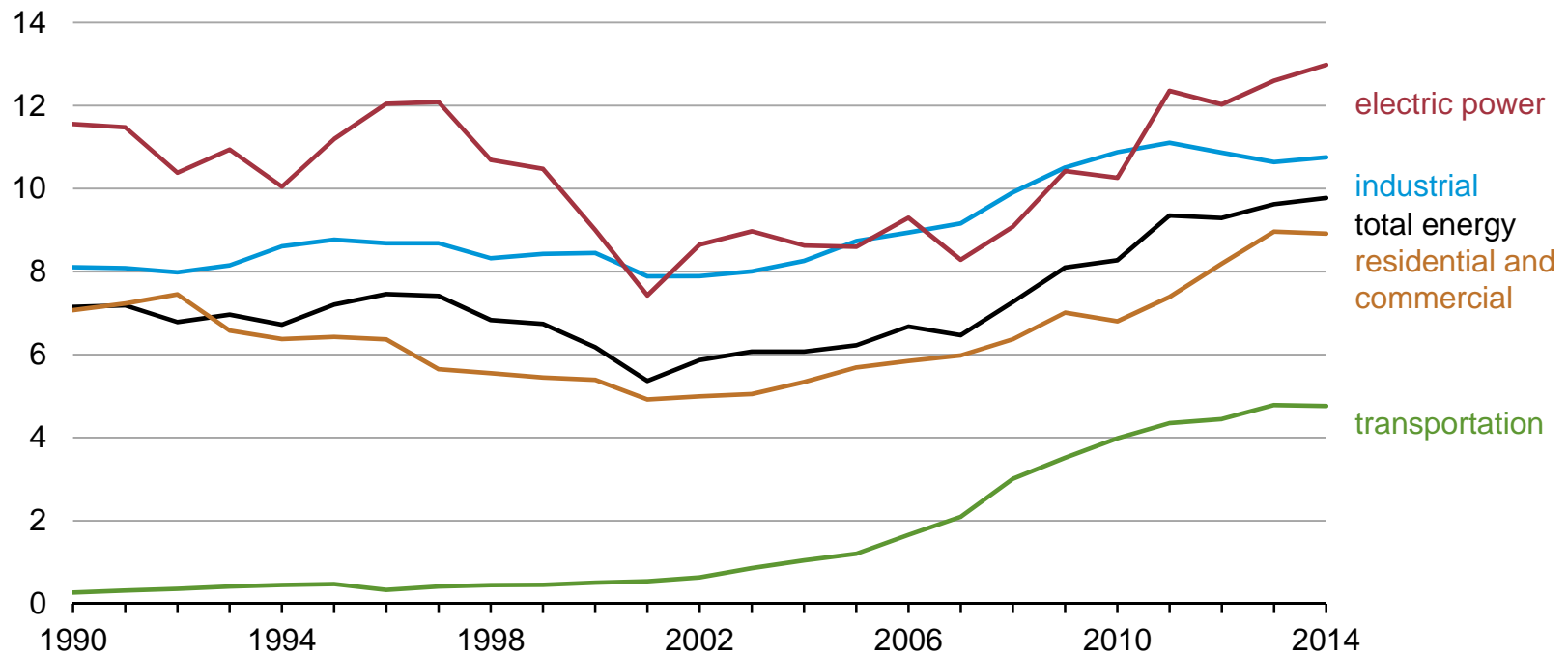
U.S. renewable energy consumption by sector  
quadrillion British thermal units (Btu)



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, Monthly Energy Review (April, 2015)

# Renewables share of U.S. energy consumption highest since 1930s

renewable share of U.S. energy consumption, total and by sector  
percent



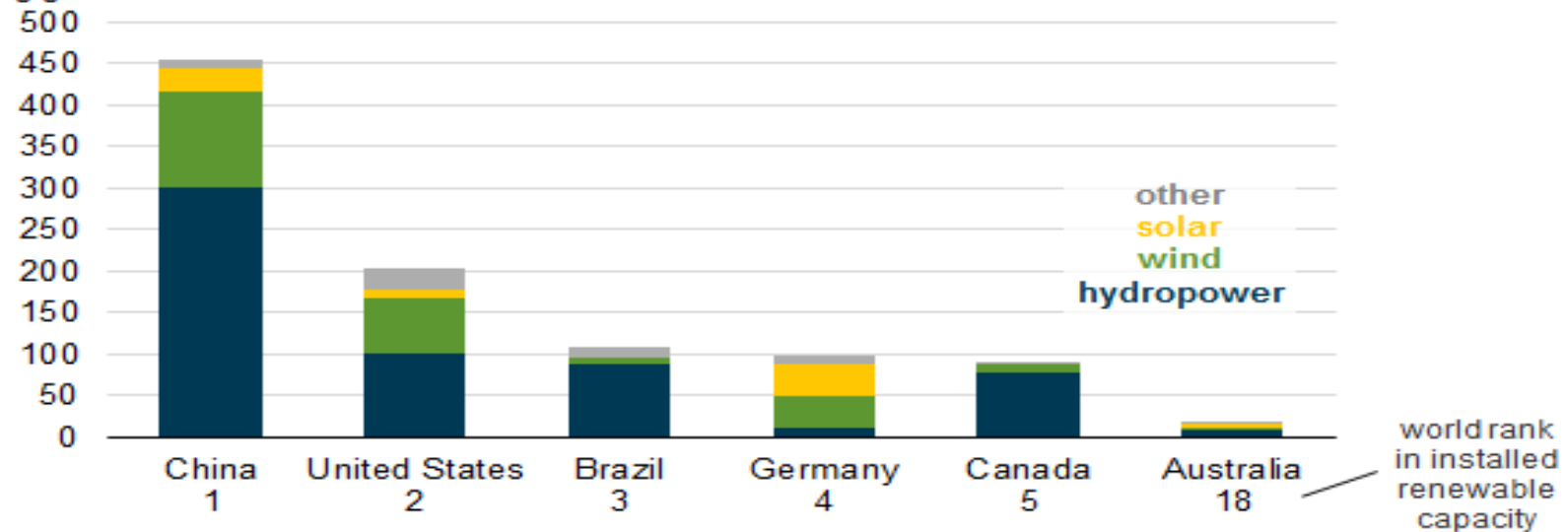
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## Leading producers of renewable electricity

**Selected countries' renewable electricity capacity (2014)**

gigawatts



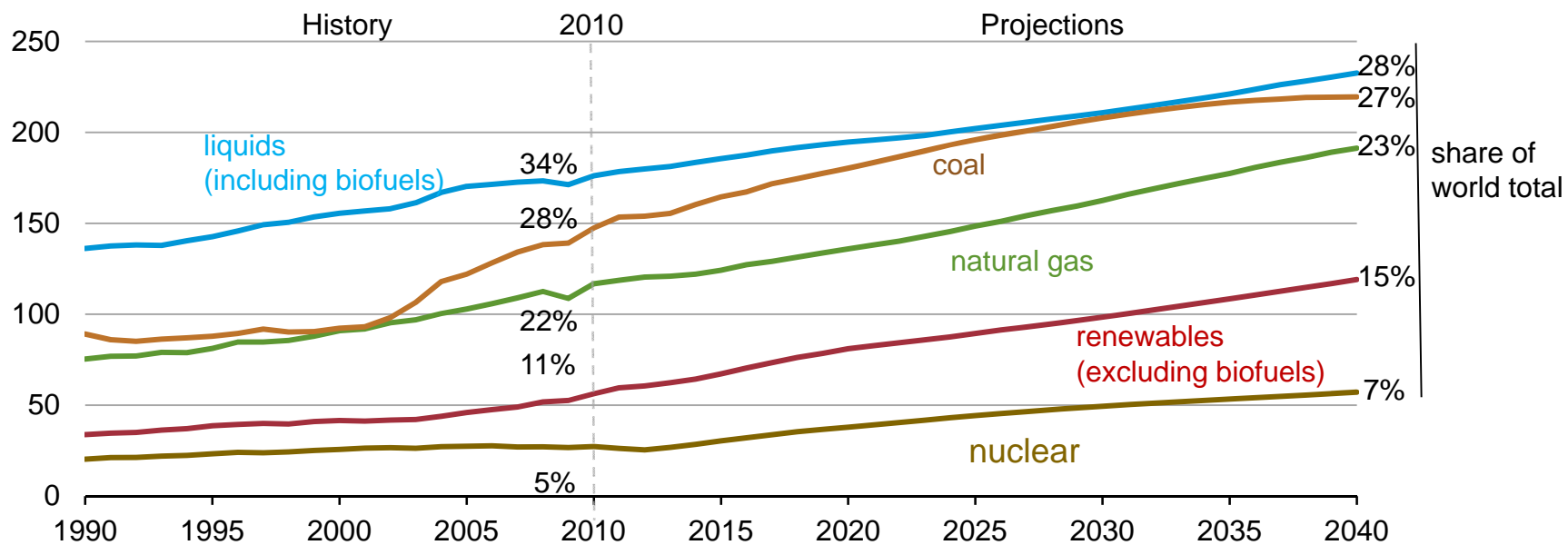
Source: [International Renewable Energy Agency](#)

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# Climate considerations

# Renewable energy and nuclear power are the fastest growing source of energy consumption

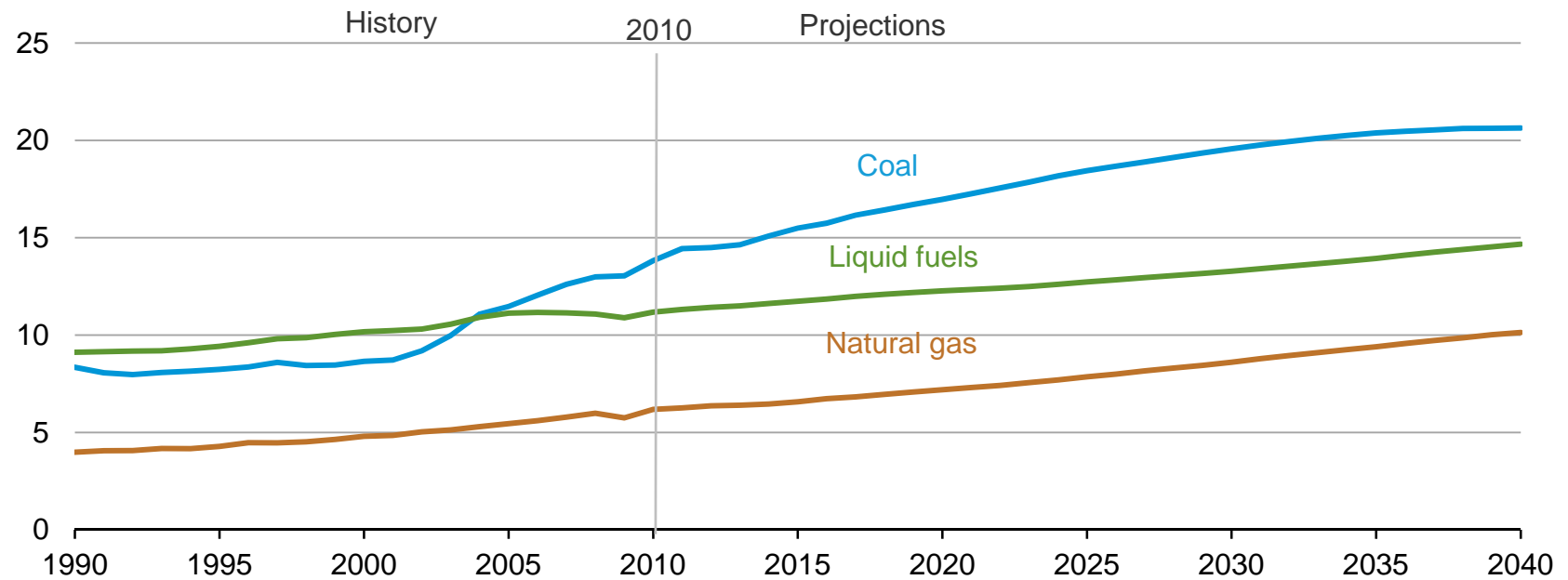
world energy consumption by fuel  
quadrillion Btu



Source: EIA, International Energy Outlook 2013

# World energy-related carbon dioxide emissions continue to grow in IEO2013 assuming then-current policies; IEO2015 will show a lower growth trajectory

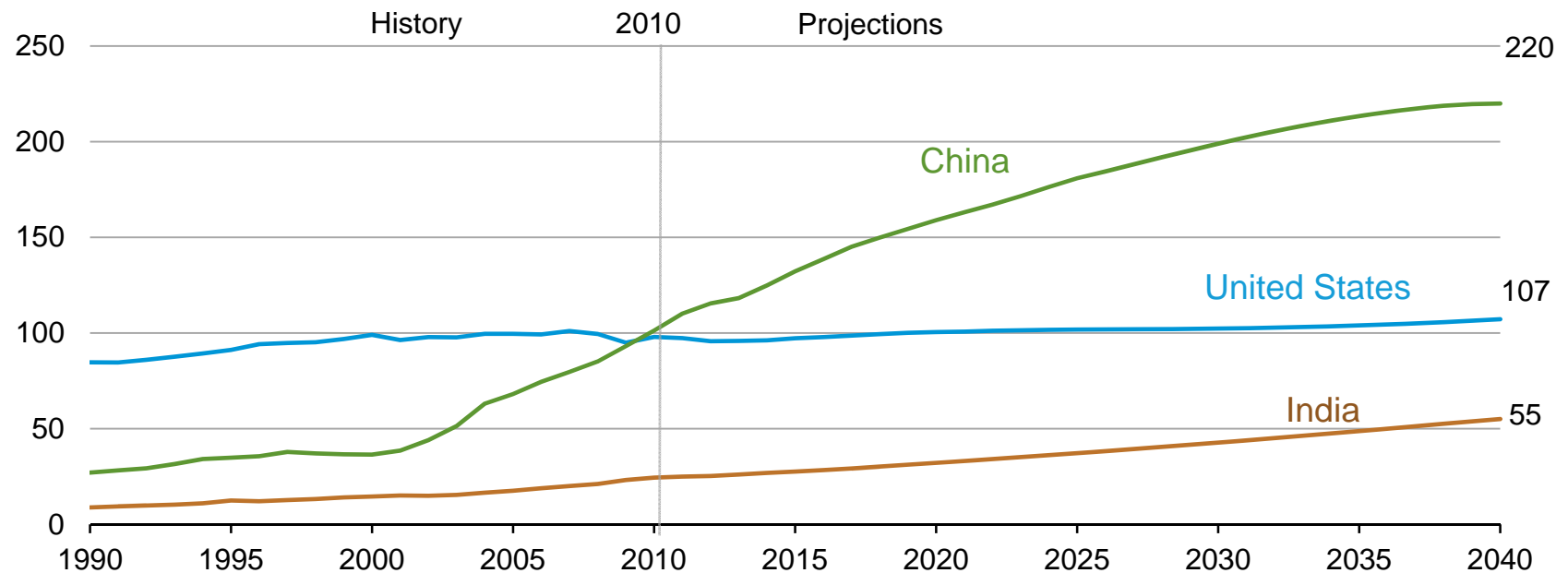
carbon dioxide emissions  
billion metric tons



Source: EIA, International Energy Outlook 2013

## By 2040, China's projected energy use will be double the U.S. level; India's a little more than half despite its faster GDP growth

energy consumption by selected country  
quadrillion Btu



Source: EIA, *International Energy Outlook 2013*

## EIA has expanded the depth and breadth of its program, with more on the way

- International Energy Portal
- Monthly crude-by-rail data
- Analysis of the impacts of the Clean Power Plan
- Excel add-in tool for automatic data updates
- Report on federal subsidies in energy markets
- Ground Water Protection Council data collaboration
- Winter fuels prices for more states
- Domestic oil and gas production (EIA-914)
- Hourly electricity load data (EIA-930)
- Effects of Removing Restriction on U.S. Crude Oil Exports
- Coming soon
  - Drilling cost data
  - Distributed solar generation data and analysis
  - Integrating Customs and Border Protection exports data received on a more timely basis into EIA products

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