Energy and Society

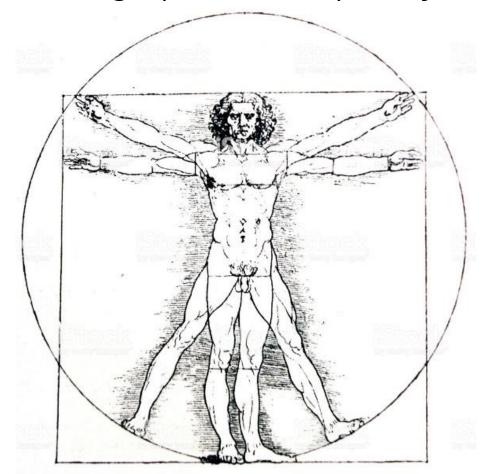
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Development stages

- Pre-agricultural era (human power)
- Agricultural era (animal power)
- Mechanical power era
- Fossil fuels
- Electricity

Foraging society: all energy needs covered by humans

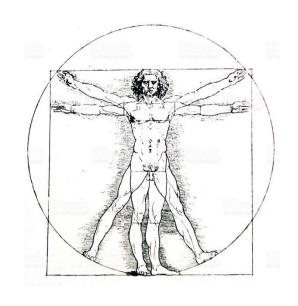
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How much power deliver the following devices?









Foraging society





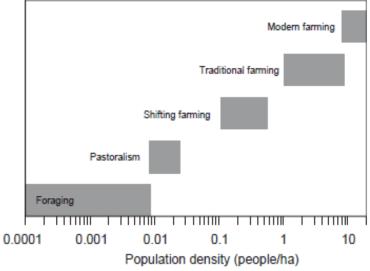
- Human body: sustained power 50-90 W, short-run power 100 W, maximum power 1000 W.
- Energy return on investment (EROI) up to 40, usually around 3, often around 1.
- Very low population density (0,1 person/sq. km)
- Exosomatic sources of power: fire, body extensions (bows)

Agricultural society

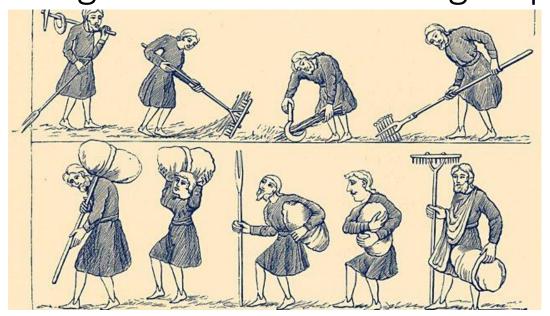




- Greater population density (20-30 persons/sq. km)
- First exosomatic sources of power:
 - Oxes (200-500 W)
 - Charcoal (29 MJ/kg, no smoke)
- Metallurgy: low efficiency, high energy intensity (until 1750)



Progress in the Middle Ages: prime movers





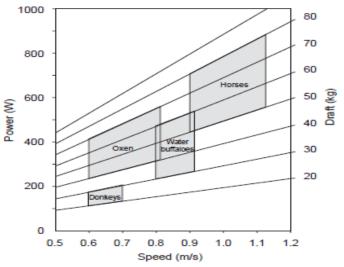


Organic prime movers still dominant

• Increased efficiency in energy transformation (treadwheels, horseshoes, fodder, breeding)

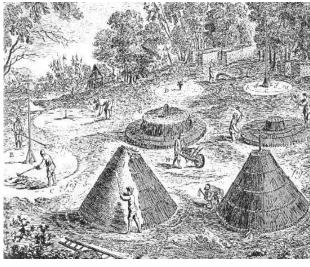
Non-organic prime movers

- Watermills (England, 11th century)
- Wind power: sails (+ compass, heavy cannons, rear stear = colonization)



Progress in the Middle Ages: fuel scarcity







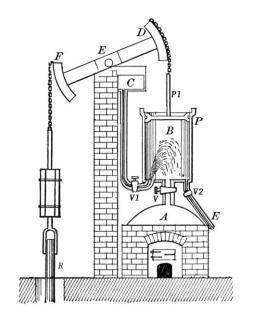
Early 18th century England

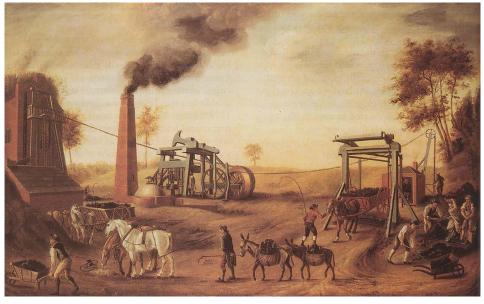
- Average furnace
 - 300 tons of iron per year
 - 12,000 tons of wood
 - 20 square km of forest
- Total production: 20,000 tons of iron (1,100 km² of forest)
- Total production in early 19th century: 1,000,000 tons of iron

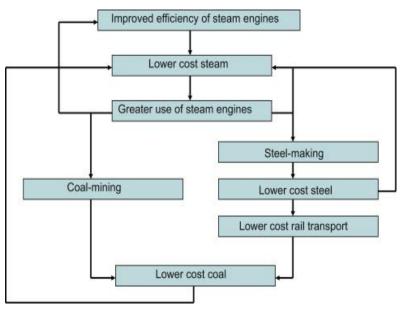




Towards modernity: steam engine



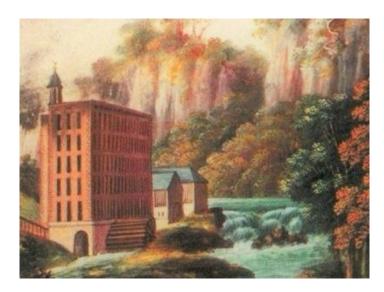


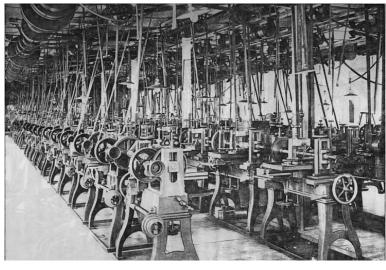


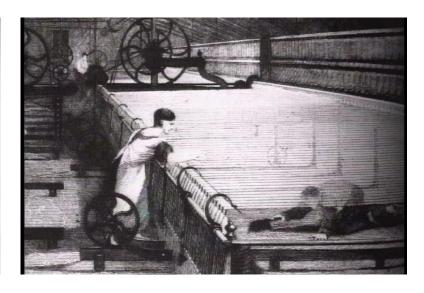
- Early steam engine (Newcomen): 20 kW, efficiency 5%
- Coal steam steel positive feedback
- Later (19th century): inland transport revolution



Towards modernity: industrial revolution

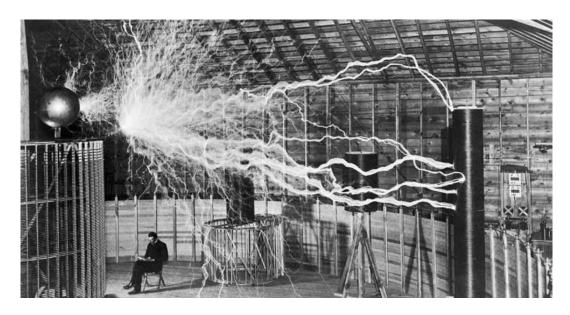






- Powered by watermills and later steam
- Europe 1800-1950: Five distinct prime movers: humans, animals, watermills/turbines, windmills, steam engines
- USA 1870: mechanical power outweighs organic power
- North Sea 1900: installed capacity in windmills: 100 MW

Towards modernity: 1880-1900



- T. A. Edison: the basics of electricity production and use
- G. Westinghouse and N. Tesla: alternating current
- Ch. Parsons: steam turbine
- W. Stanley: transformer
- N. Tesla: electric motor
- 20th century: evolution of power industry
- USA 1930s: 80% of all mechanical power
- Profound change in work and personal life



- G. Daimler: spark ignition engine
- W. Maybach: carburator
- K. Benz: electrical ignition
- R. Diesel: compression ignition engine
- Three waves of automobile dissemination
- Aviation: 1904: the Wright brothers, 1969 Boeing 747, 1969: Apollo 11



Energy-intensive society



Prime Mover	Sustained Power (W)
Working child	30
Small woman	60
Strong man	100
Donkey	150
Small ox	300
Typical horse	600
Heavy horse	800
Early small tractor (1920)	10,000
Ford's Model T (1908)	15,000
Typical tractor (1950)	30,000
Honda Civic (2000)	79,000
Large tractor (2000)	225,000
Large diesel engine (1917)	400,000
Large marine diesel	30,000,000
engine (1960)	
Four gas turbines of	60,000,000
Boeing 747 (1970)	

- Mechanization of agriculture and industry
- Last 10,000 years:
 - Maximum power of the prime movers has increased 15,000,000x
 - 99% of this change occurred in 20th century

Energy-intensive society







- Increased quality of life
- Increased inequality
 - 10% consumes 40% of all primary energy
 - 50% consumes 10% of all primary energy
- Anthropocene

Conclusions





- Development stages reflect the power, efficiency, and flexibility of employed prime movers
- Harnessing more energy leads to greater complexity of society

Now, about the course..

What will we be doing here?

- Study and discuss the development of the World energy system since 1945.
- Learn about the roots of the contemporary energy policies.
- Identify and analyze the most influential trends in the past and present energy system.
- Discuss the future of energy.

Who will be guiding you through the course?



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2009 Istanbul Bilgi University PhD thesis: Gas flows through the V4 region (linear modeling)

- Energy markets
- Natural gas in Central Europe
- Cross-border effects of Energiewende



Filip Černoch

PhD thesis: Energy policy of the EU 2016 Deutsche Gesellschaft für Auswärtige Politik 2016 Energy advisor to PM Sobotka

- Energy policy in the EU
- Energy transitions
- The regulation behind Energiewende

Masaryk University Center for Energy Studies



Founded by Břetislav Dančák in 2009

Dpt. of International Relations and European Studies: 8 full-time researchers

Multidisciplinary research platform dealing with energy

- Social dimension of energy transactions (public participation, local opposition, energy poverty)
- Energy geopolitics (Russia, pipelines, power)
- Energy transition (renewable energy, decarbonization)



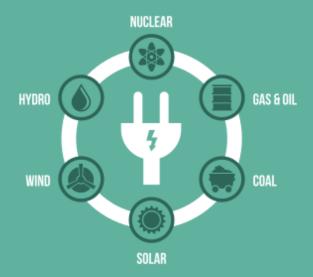


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"Energy Infrastructure and Policy Repercussions"

July 29 - August 5, UNESCO city of Telč, Czech Republic

Consolidation after WW2

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Changes introduced by/throughout the war

What were they?

Changes introduced by/throughout the war

Regimes, institutions and economy

- War economy nationalization of resources and supply chains (US/UK)
- US turns net energy importer further pressure on relations with producing countries
- Emergence of "operations research"

Technological advancement

- ICT radar, remote control, guiding systems, electrical computation, network communication
- Transportation ICS-based mobility, jet engine-based aviation
- Rocket science space program
- Chemical engineering plastics (substitutes for rubber and glass)
- Piping/welding oil and gas transfers
- Nuclear energy

Consolidating energy industries (region-specific)

Established industries

• Coal, oil, electricity

Emerging industries

Nuclear energy, natural gas

Consolidating energy industries

Centralized approach

- Vertically integrated national monopolies
- Stable, secure, affordable supply of energy to the national economy

Market-based approach

- Market competition (or fragmentation)
- Energy supply as a by-product of a profit-seeking behavior

Lecture outline

Case studies illustrating the two approaches:

- Nuclear industry in the U. S. (mixed approach)
 - Regulated utilities costs recovered in bills paid by customers
 - Deregulated utilities costs paid directly by the utilities

Natural gas industry in Europe (centralized approach)

Consolidating the power industry: the business model



The "Grow and build" strategy (technological progress + cost/price decline)

- Promote electricity usage
- Build bigger and more efficient plants
- Bring down the costs and sell more electricity
- Promote further electricity usage
- ...

Year	Rated power (MW)	Thermal efficiency (%)	Price (USD1992/kWh)
1892		2.5	4.00
1907	12		1.56
1927	110	20	0.55
1947			0.19
1967	1,000	40	0.09

The consolidation of nuclear industry in the U.S.

"The energy produced by breaking down the atom is a very poor kind of thing. Anyone who expects a source of power from the transformations of these atoms is talking moonshine."

Lord Ernest Rutherford, 1933.

"It is not too much to expect that our children will enjoy in their homes [nuclear generated] electrical energy too cheap to meter."

Lewis Strauss, Chairman, US Atomic Energy Commission, 1954.

"The failure of the U.S. nuclear power program ranks as the largest managerial disaster in business history, a disaster on a monumental scale … only the blind, or the biased, can now think that the money has been well spent. It is a defeat for the U.S. consumer and for the competitiveness of U.S. industry, for the utilities that undertook the program and for the private enterprise system that made it possible."

Forbes cover story "Nuclear Follies", February 11, 1985

The origins

The Manhattan project (1942-1946)

The experimental breeder reactor (1951)

Atoms for Peace (1953)

Atomic Energy Act of 1954

 Regulatory oversight over nuclear energy assigned to the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC)



Commercialization of nuclear energy

• AEC's role: "To ensure public health and safety from the hazards of nuclear power without imposing excessive requirements that would inhibit the growth of the industry" (NRC 2017)

• Insufficiently rigorous regulations in several important areas, including radiation protection standards, reactor safety, plant siting, and environmental protection

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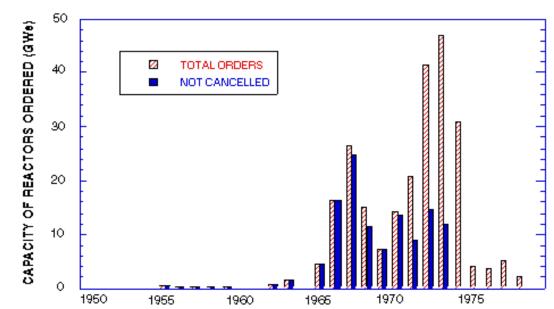
- Rapid increase in power output
 - 1953-1962: below 300 MW
 - 1965: average 660 MW
 - 1970: average above 1,000 MW
- Upscaling perhaps too fast to facilitate learning
- Multiple manufacturers (Westinghouse, Argonne National Laboratory, General Electrics, BWXT,...) => multiple reactor designs and sub-designs (each unit a prototype)
- => Economy of scale has not been achieved

1970s: industry in crisis



- Electricity demand increases with a slower pace
- Costs of nuclear power increase
- Political and local opposition towards nuclear





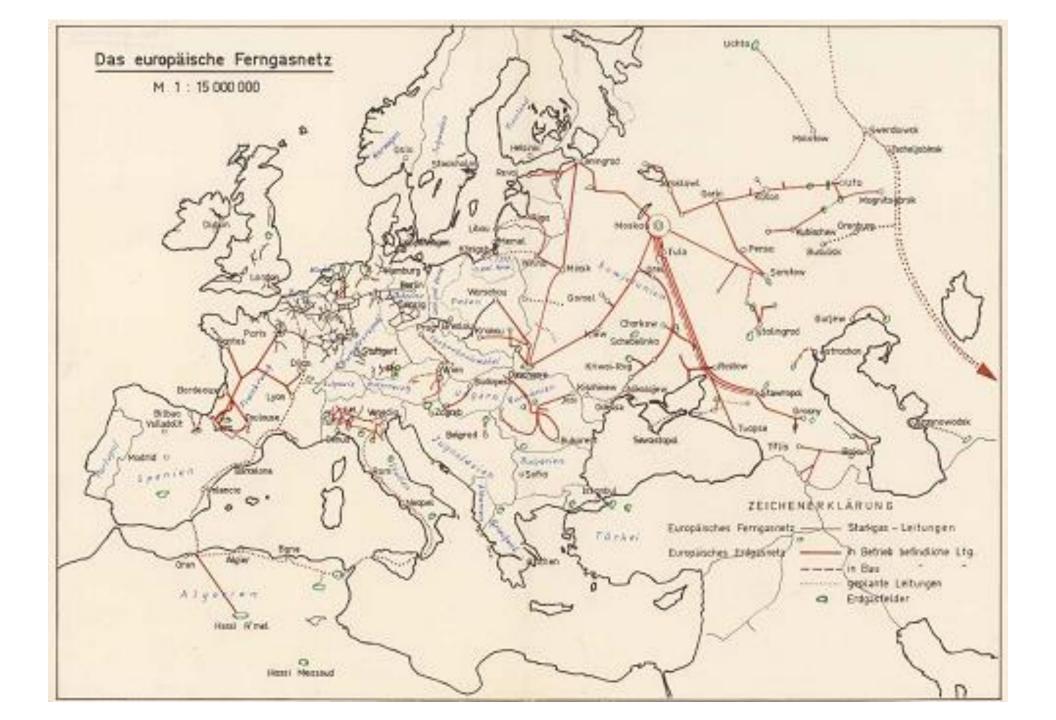
Shoreham NPP (Long Island, USA)

- Announced in 1965 by Long Island Light Company
- Expected to come on line by 1973 at \$65 \$75 million
- 1968 LILCO decides to increase the unit's size from 540 to 820 MW
 - Cost overrun
 - Construction delay => more time for anti-nuclear movement to spread across Long Island
- 1979 Public opposition intensifies after the Three Mile Island accident => 1983 the county legislature does not approve the plant's evacuation plans
 - Costs reach \$2 bn (low productivity and design changes ordered by federal regulators)
- 1984 The plant is completed, but does not receive operation license due to the unapproved evacuation plans
- 1994: The plant is fully decommissioned, the total costs reach \$6 billion (covered by the LI consumers)

The consolidation of gas industry in Europe

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- 1920s 1930s: first experiments with natural gas as a substitute for manufactured gas in Europe
- WW II: scarce oil, coal locally unavailable (Romania, Austria, N. Italy, SW. France, E. Poland)
- 1960s: before Dutch, Algerian, Ukrainian, Siberian, Central Asian discoveries the markets were scattered and localized.
- 1970s: rapid growth in gas use and network development
 - 1965: EU consumption of 39 bcm
 - 1975: EU consumption of 216 bcm
- wider portfolio of customers (fuel, feedstock)





The formative years of transnational links

- 1966: Groningen Germany,
- 1967: Groningen Belgium, Ukraine Czechoslovakia

- Gas interaction between policaly similar countries
 - Netherlands ,W. Germany, Belgium, France (NATO, ECSC, EURATOM)
 - SU, Czechoslovakia, Poland (COMECON)

The formative years of transnational links

Late 1960s: gas emerges as an "European issue"

- Competition between Dutch, Libyan and Algerian gas
- Two pan-European pipelines planned
 - Algeria Spain France Britain
 - Algeria Italy
- First LNG projects on stream (Britain, France, Italy, Yugoslavia, Spain)
- The Soviet Union steps in...

- Initiator: Austria
 - No coal
 - A forerunner of European gas industry
 - ÖMV struggling to meet demand
 - The Brotherhood ppl passing just 16 km away from Austrian network
 - Established cooperation with CS over joint development of bordersituated large gas field
- The SU lacks spare export capacity

- 1965: Italian ENI starts negotiations over development of recently discovered W. Siberian fields
- Italy/ENI
 - Best relations with the SU among the W. European companies
 - Oil importer and exporter of oil industry equipment to the communist block
 - Strong Italian CP seeking stronger relations with the SU
- Trans-European Pipeline project (SU-Hungary-Yugoslavia-Italy)

Austrian reaction: new series of negotiation with the SU.

- Austrian steel company VÖEST will provide the SU with largediameter steel pipes in exchange for re-routing the pipeline
- Germany (the supplier of the pipes) decided not to back up the plan, despite strong Bavarian support
- The Soviets finally agree after Austria getting closer to EEC.

The results

- 1968: Soviet supplies to Austria come on stream
- 1970: agreements with Italy and Germany (Ost Politik)
- 1973: First Soviet deliveries to Germany, GDR also linked to the system
- 1974: First Soviet deliveries to France
- All through the same pipeline

Summary

- The post-war growth of energy demand facilitated source diversification and triggered development of new technologies.
- The case of nuclear power development in the U.S. highlights the importance of regulation.
- The formative years of the European gas market show the importance of both domestic and international political setting.
- New path-dependencies
 - Heterogeneous reactor design prevents the nuclear industry from achieving economy of scale
 - Natural gas relations in Europe are strongly (geo)politically laden

1960s-1970s: Energy geopolitics

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Lecture outline

 The oil shocks of the 1970s: the context, impact mechanism and crossboder cashflow

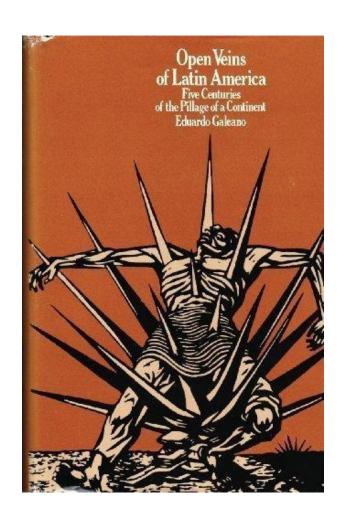
The effects on developing and developed countries

• The long-term consequences

• The energy weapon - discussion

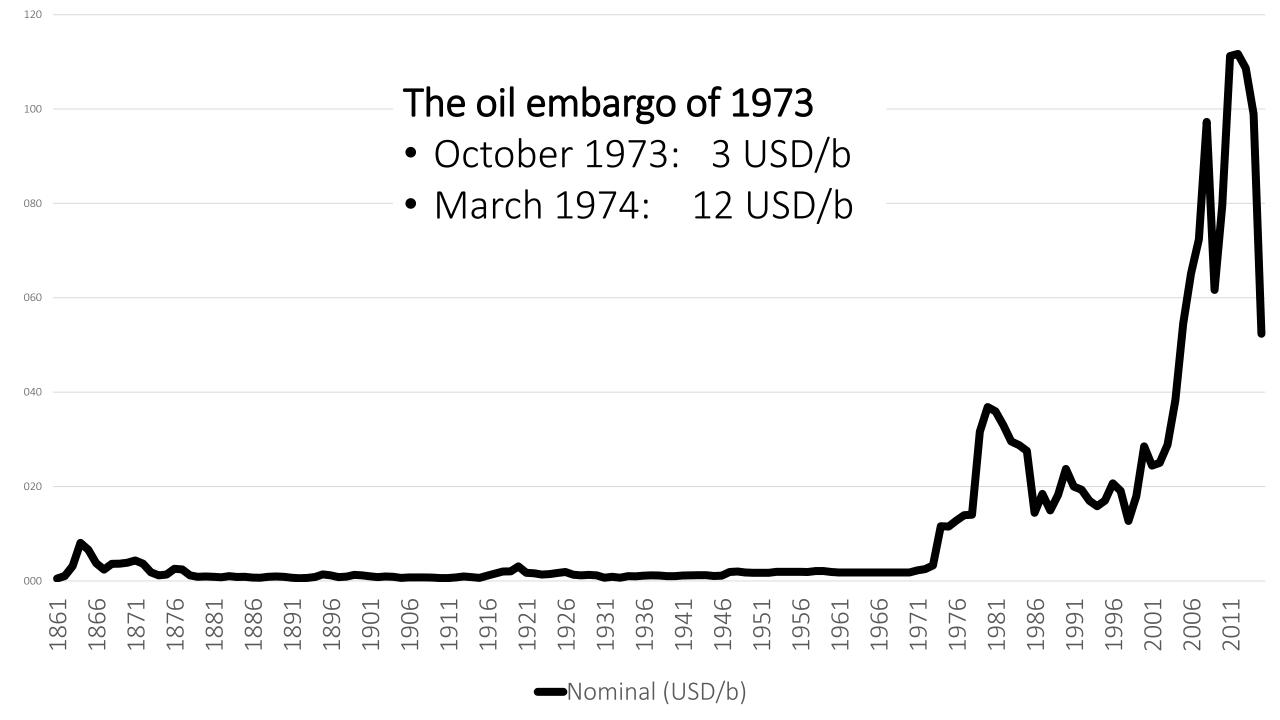
International context

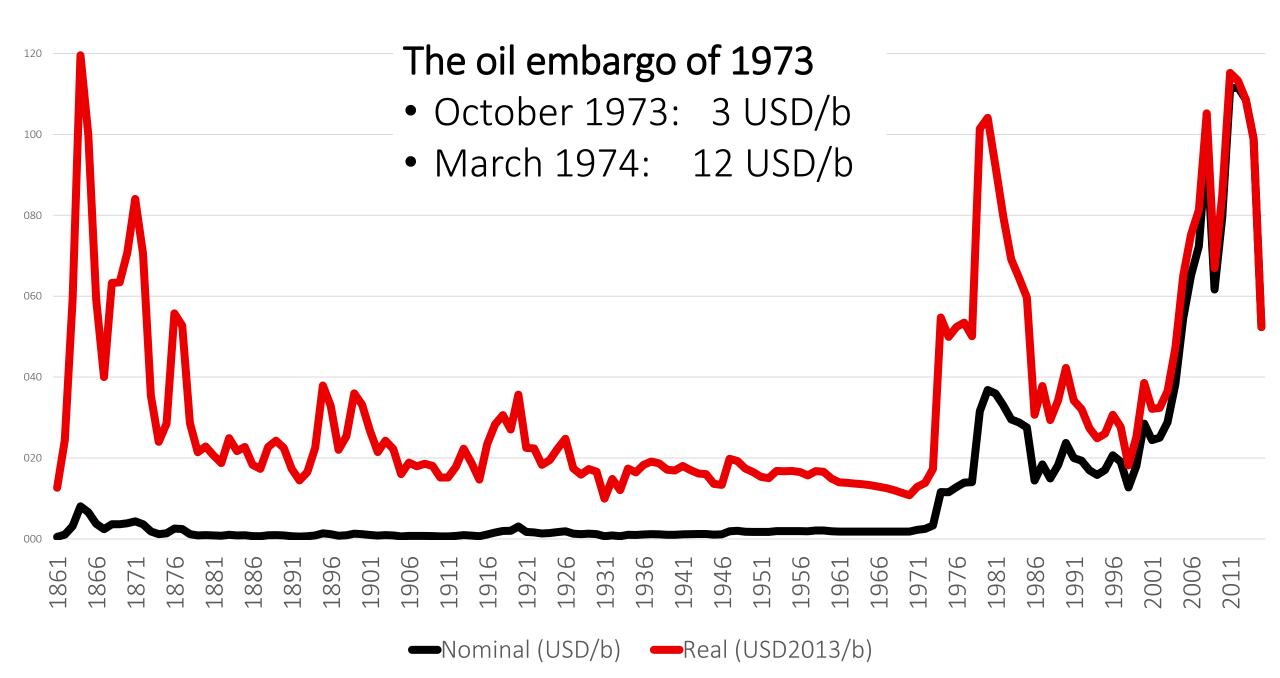
- 1960: Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
- 1960s: The first "Decade of Development" (UN)
- Development program as a containment policy
- The rise of the structuralist thinking (R. Prebisch, ECLA)
- 1961: The Non-Alignment Movement
- 1964: The Geneva Conference (UNCTAD)
- G77: Diverse countries, common interest a radical reform of GATT



The road to the crisis (1949-1972)

- World's energy consumption tripples
- World's demand for oil increases 5.5 times
- U.S. demand for oil increases 3 times
- Western Europe's demand for oil increases 15 times
- Japan's demand for oil increases 137 times
- 2/3 of the new demand covered by the MENA producers
- 1967-1972: U.S. domestic production peaks and import dependence increases from 19% to 36%
- 1970-1973: World's spare production capacity decreases from 3 mbd to 0.5 mbd (less than 1% of total consumption)





The to-do lists and cashflow of the 1970s oil shocks

OPEC

- Increase oil prices
- Collect additional revenues
- Send them to the Western banks

Developed countries

- Pay more for energy
- Collect OPEC deposits
- Lend them to domestic subjects (rebuilding)
- Lend them to developing countries

Developing countries

- Cheer for OPEC's demonstration of power
- Pay more for energy
- Borrow money from the Western banks
- Find yourself unable to pay the debt

The 1970s crisis in numbers

Saudi Arabia's current account surplus:

• 1973: 2.5 bn USD

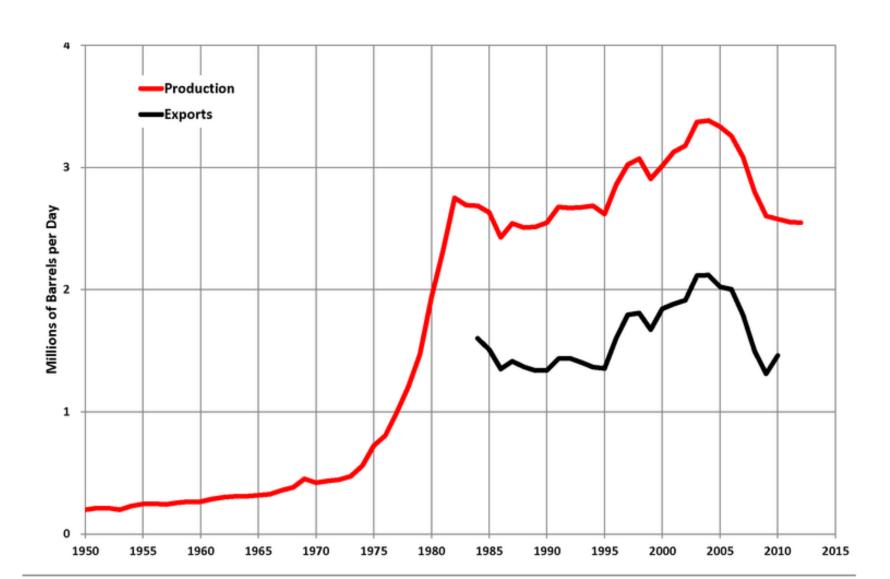
• 1974: 23 bn USD

Additional costs associated with higher oil prices between 1970 and 1980: 260 bn USD

Increase in foreign debt (bn USD):

	Argentina	Brazil	Mexico	Developing world	
1970	5.8	5.7	7.0	72.7	
1980	27.2	71.5	57.4	586.7	
1984	48.9	103.9	94.8	921.8	

Mexico oil production and exports



Macroeconomic consequences: developing countries

Developing countries (mainly Latin America) hit particularly hard during the 1970s:

Internal factors: the "import substitution industrialization" development strategy

- Effective isolation of the national economy from the international markets
- Subsidies to selected sectors/industries
- Requires imports of goods and capital, compromises exports

External factors: oil shocks

- Countries unable to reduce demand for oil, decrease imports or increase exports
- Non-existent financial reserves to cover the higher energy costs
- => Massive borrowing from the U. S. and European banks
- The investments did not produce anything of economic value sufficient to enable the borrowers to repay their loans
- By 1988: the debt costs higher than incoming loans => the "Debt crisis"

The Debt crisis

- Inability to pay back the loans + no new loans coming
- Risk of another global recession caused by multiple state defaults
- The governments turn to the international economic institutions (WB, IMF) for assistance
- Until 1985: macroeconomic stabilization
 - Reduction of government budget deficits: reduction of domestic consumption => reduction of imports, reduction of domestic consumption => unemployment => reduced wages => exports => current account surpluses
- After 1985: Structural adjustment
 - Debts reduced or written-off in exchange for lowering tarrifs, privatizing industries, reducing subsidies and general opening up of the economy.

The Debt crisis

Table 14.6 Economic Conditions in Latin America, 1982–1990

Leonomio Communi	1980-81	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986-90
GDP ¹ Consumption ¹ Investment ¹	100 77.0 24.4	95.6 74.0 19.6	91.3 70.3 14.9	92.2 70.4 15.2	92.7 69.9 16.1	94.1 71.6 15.9
Unemployment ² Real Wages ³	6.7 100.0 –12.3	- 9.7	<i>-</i> 7.5	-8.0	10.1 86.4 –7.9	8.0 68.9 –9.2
Imports ⁴ Exports ⁴ Net Transfers ⁴	12.5 12.2	12.6 -18.7	13.6 31.6	14.5 -26.9 3.1	14.2 -32.3 2.7	15.2
Fiscal Deficit ⁵ Inflation	3.7 53.2%	5.4 57.7%	5.2 90.8%	116.4%	126.9%	

¹As a percentage of 1980-81 GDP.

Source: Thorp 1999; Edwards 1995, 24; Edwards 1989, 171.

²Rate of open unemployment as a percentage of total labor force.

³Index of real wages in unemployment.

^{4\$}US billions.

⁵Percent of GDP.

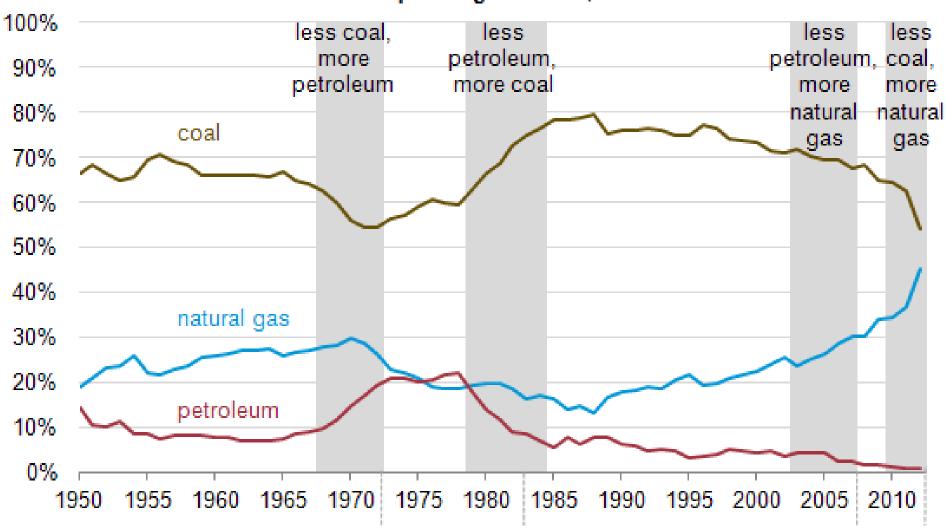


Developed countries

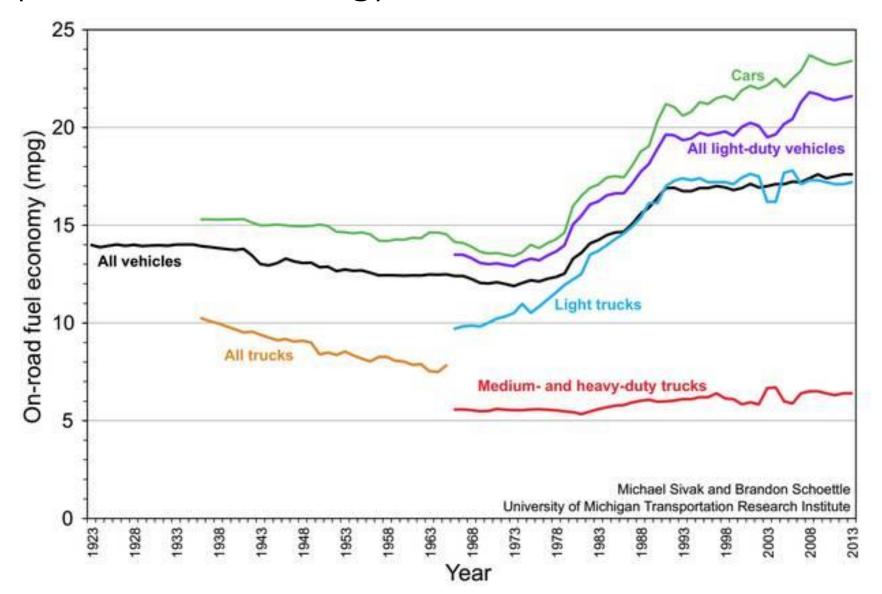
- USA does not alter its support for Israel
- The U.S. obsession with the Middle East/foreign oil begins
 - The Carter's doctrine
 - YouTube: "American presidents promise security through energy independence"
 - Energy is typically tackled as a "crisis issue" ever since
- The establishment of the International Energy Agency
- Structural changes in Western economies (Japan moving from energyintensive industries to electronics; car industry boom)

Developed countries: Energy conservation/diversification

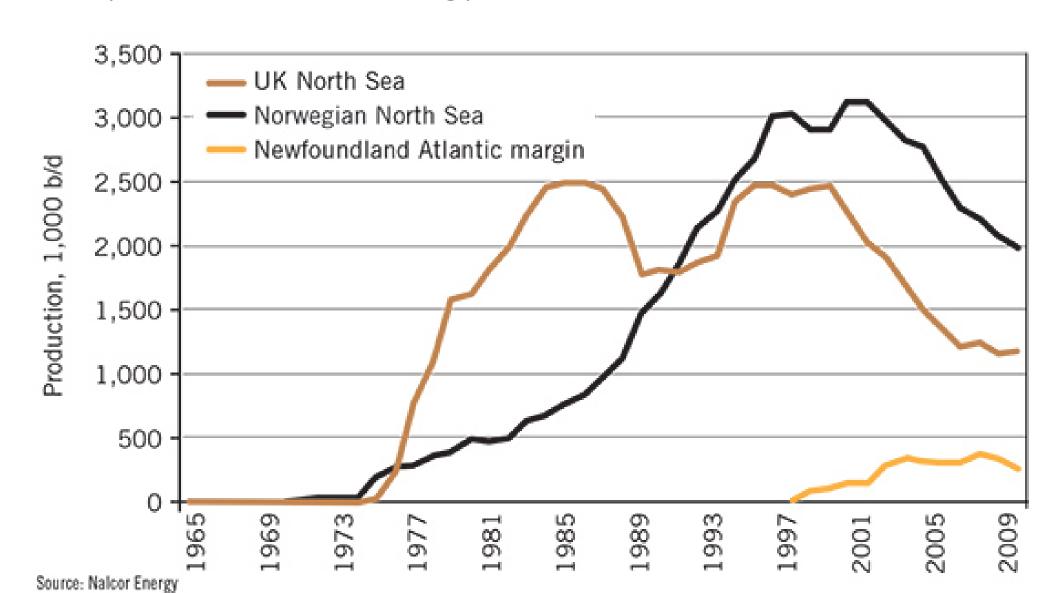
Annual share of fossil-fired electric power generation, 1950 - 2012*

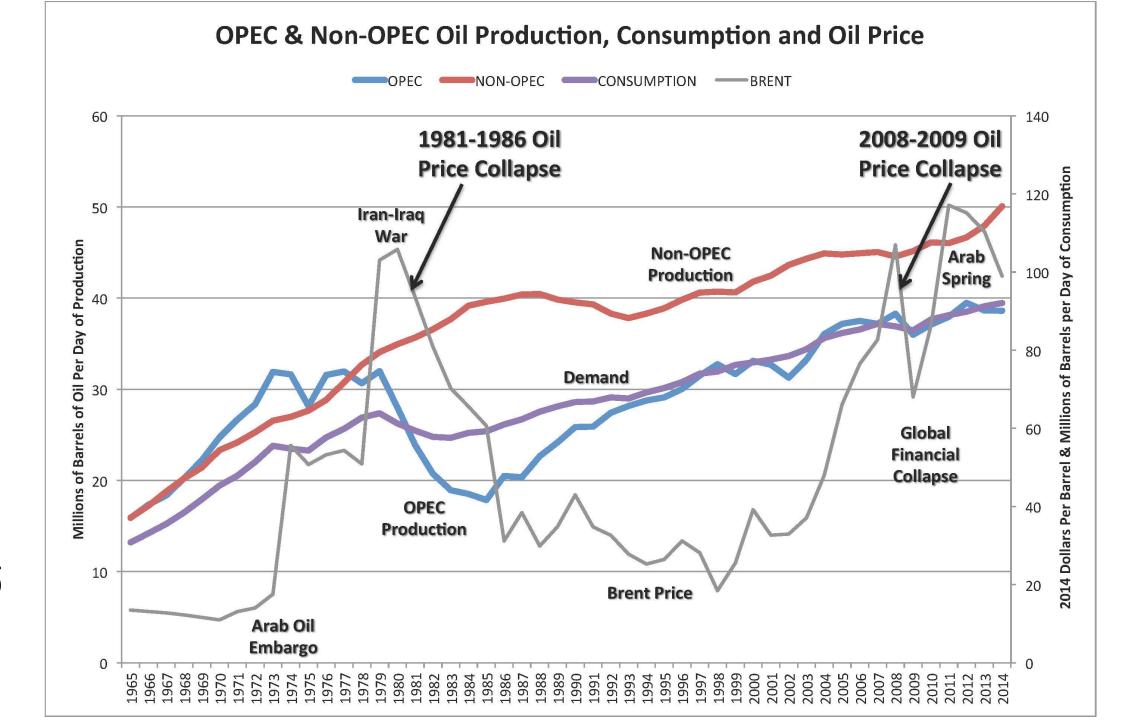


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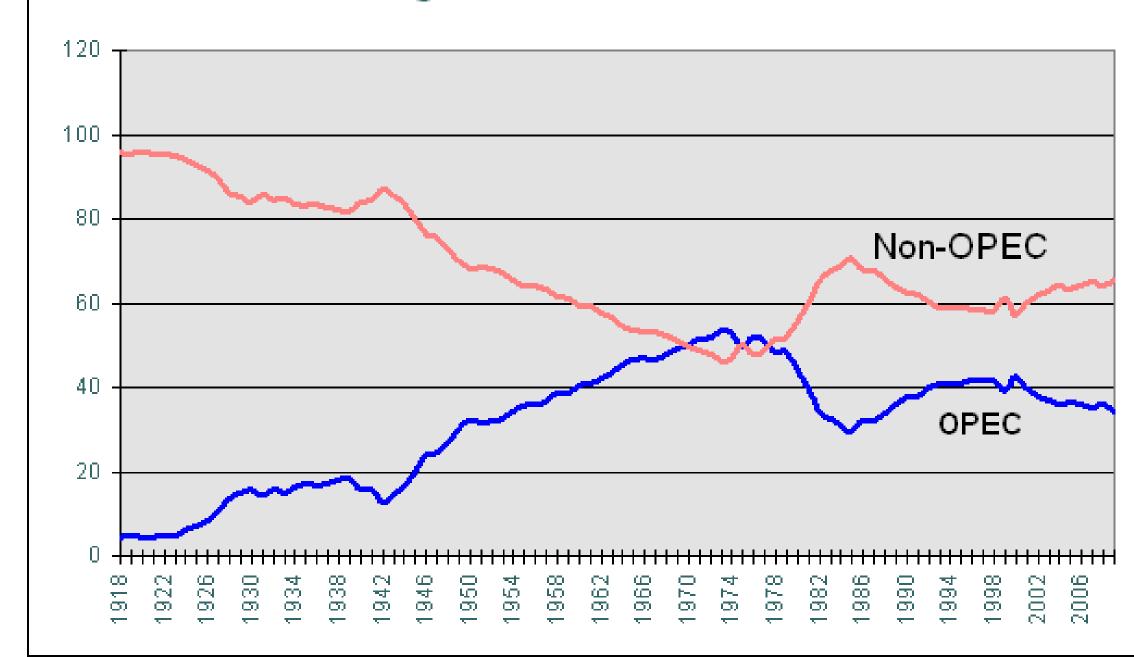


Developed countries: Energy conservation/diversification





Percentage of World Oil Production



Oil shocks consequences

"The oil crisis set off an upheaval in global politics and the world economy. It also challenged America's position in the world, polarized its politics at home and shook the country's confidence"

Daniel Yergin, 2013

- The debt issue placed at the center of North-South relations
- U.S. obsession with the Middle East/foreign oil/energy independence begins
- Energy conservation and diversification measures take off
- Long-term weakening of OPEC begins
- The International Political Economy scientific discipline is born

Discussion: the energy weapon

What other cases of its use do you know?

Discussion: the energy weapon

What other cases of its use do you know?

• Under which circumstances it can be effective?

Coping with oil revenues

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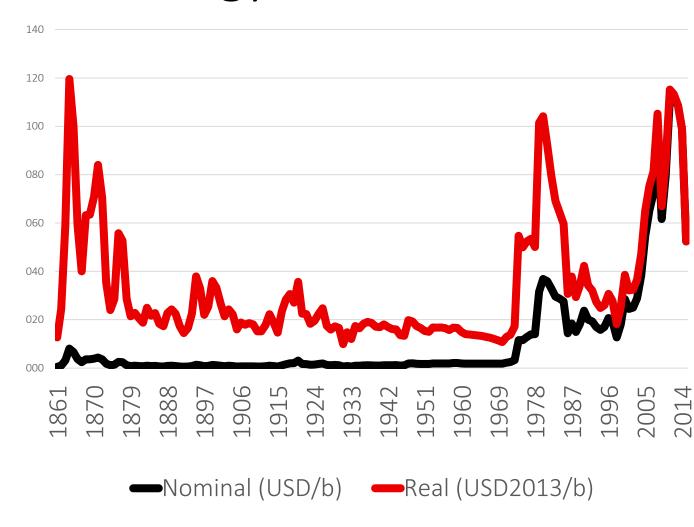
1980s: financialization of energy

Globalization of the oil market

 Oil market's exposure to financial markets

• Oil glut of 1985

 Falling prices reveal macroeconomic importance of oil



Lecture outline

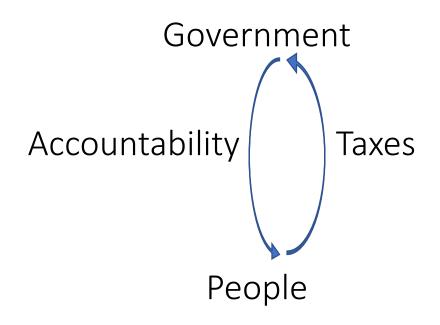
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- Developed countries, oil and changes in economy

Developing countries: the resource extractive state concept

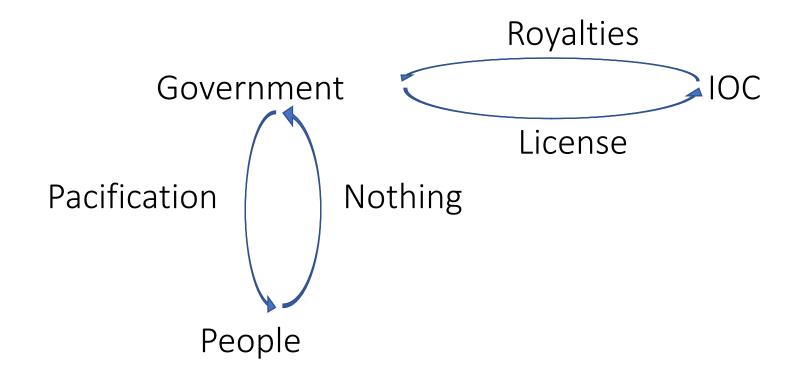
• Hossein Mahdavy (1970): The Pattern and Problems of Economic Development in Rentier States: The Case of Iran.

 Presumption: Tax extraction and redistribution is the core of the Government – people relationship.

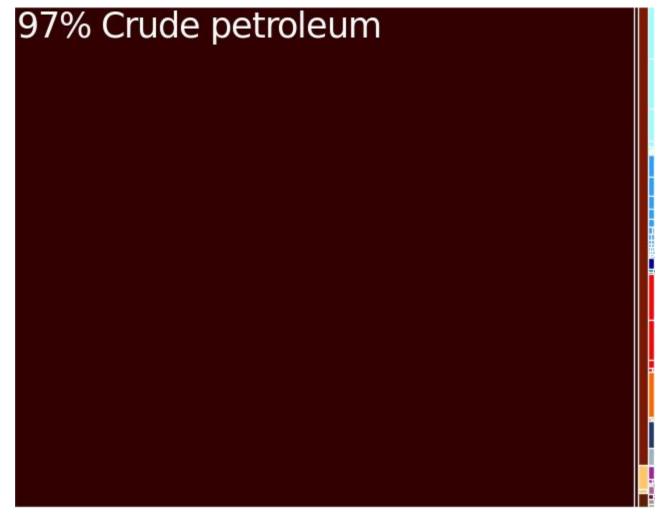
The backbone of modern state building...



...altered by oil-revenues



Export structure, the case of Angola



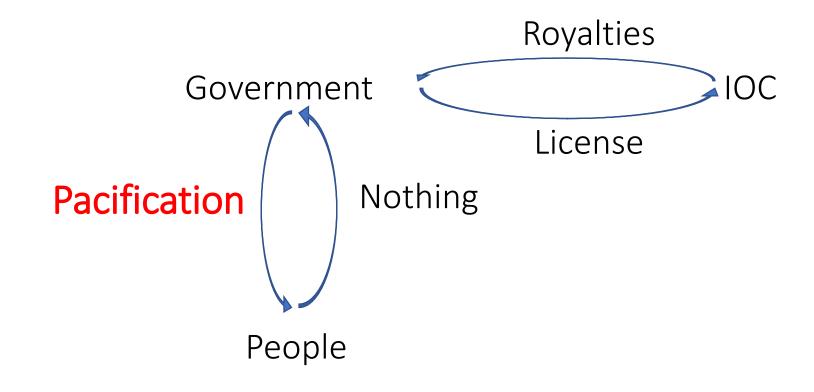
"Tree map export 2009 Angola" by R Haussmann, Cesar Hidalgo, et. al. - Electronic Complexity Observatory, MIT Media Lab and the Center for International Development at Harvard University.

Oil and gas exports as a share of government income

•	South Sudan	98%
•	Iraq	97%
•	Eastern Timor	94%
•	Bahrain	91%
•	Libya	91%
•	Alaska	90%
•	Saudi Arabia	90%
•	Kuwait	83%
•	Angola	79%
•	Azerbaijan	74%
•	Algeria	70%
•	Nigeria	70%
•	Gabon	64%
•	Qatar	53%

•	Iran	50%
•	Trinidad & Tobago	44%
•	Kazakhstan	39%
•	Mexico	33%
•	Russia	28%
•	Camerun	25%
•	Egypt	10%

Pacification: the "stick" and "carrot" way



The "stick" pacification

- Government policies centered around its physical survival
- The legitimacy is derived from arms expenses (defence against internal and external enemies)
- Revaluated currency
- Oil revenue distributed within the governing strata only (cronyism)
- Domestic problems ignored or delegated to the international community
- Benefits for the population practically non-existent

External enemy, the case of Chad

- 4/75 president Tombalbaye (1960-1975) calls for national disobedience, fearing a coup
- 4/75 president Tombalbaye is killed in a coup supported by France (in reaction to the U.S. oil companies finding oil in the country)
- President Habré (1982-1990) supports the U.S. companies in exchange for protection from the U.S.
- President Déby (since 1990) former close collaborator of president Habré, supported by France he removes Habré from the office and awards oil exploration/production licenses to French companies.

Domestic problems and benefits for the population

Angola

- Oil production 2000-2004: 0.75 mbd => 1.2 mbd
- Approx. 1 billion USD/year diverted from the government budget (according to Global Witness)
- Humanitarian crisis 2000-2004 at the end of the civil war (1975-2002): millions of people survived only due to the international aid (World Food Program)

Nigeria

- Oil revenues 1984-2009: 300 mld. USD
- Average income in 2009: 1 USD/day
- In real terms: average income in 2003 was lower than in 1960

The "carrot" pacification

Typical for consolidated regimes

 Main threat stemming from cross-generation cohesion (the young need to accept the regime)

Maximum benefits for the population

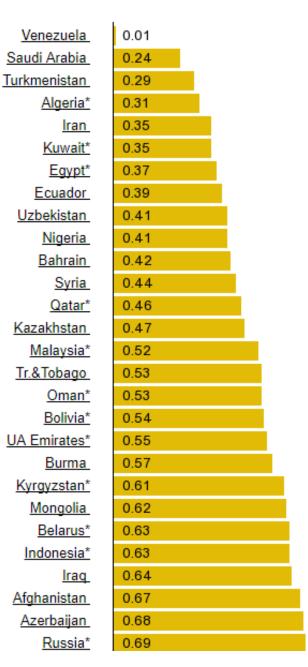
Gasoline prices, 09-Oct-2017 (liter, U.S. Dollar)

Benefits for the population

- Free
 - Education
 - Healthcare
 - Accommodation
- Heavily subsidized
 - Energy
 - Gasoline
- Retirement
 - 80% of salary after 20 years in public sector
- Taxes
 - Non-existent

Division of labor according to citizenship:

- UAE
 - 0% of foreigners in the public administration
 - 0.04% of the UAE citizens in the private sector
- Average sallary in Bahrain 2008:
 - Citizens: 15,000 USD/y
 - Foreigners: 5,000 USD/y

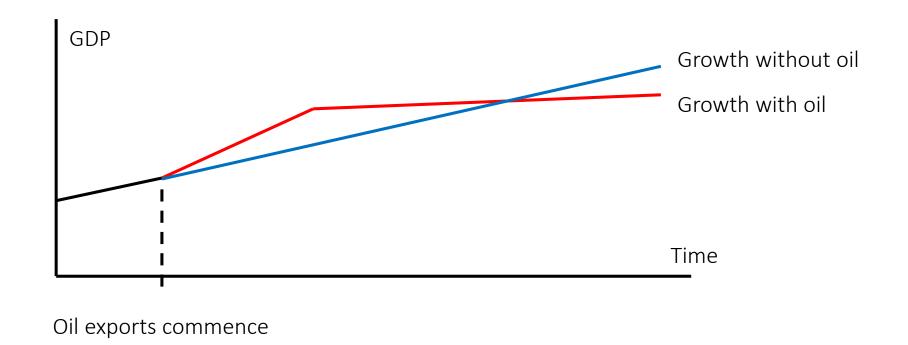


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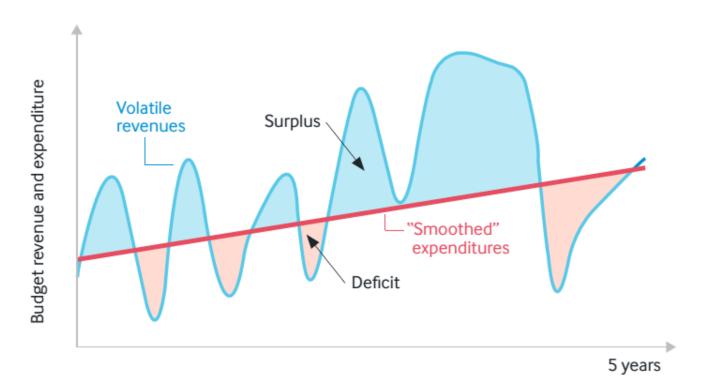
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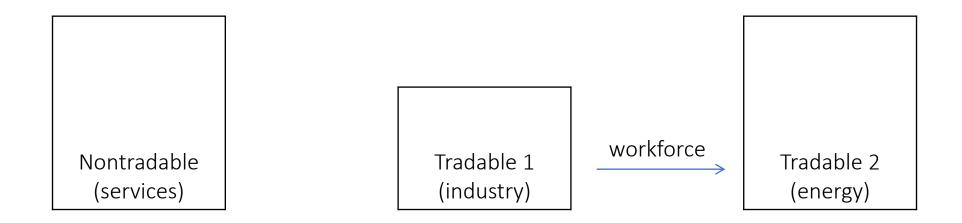
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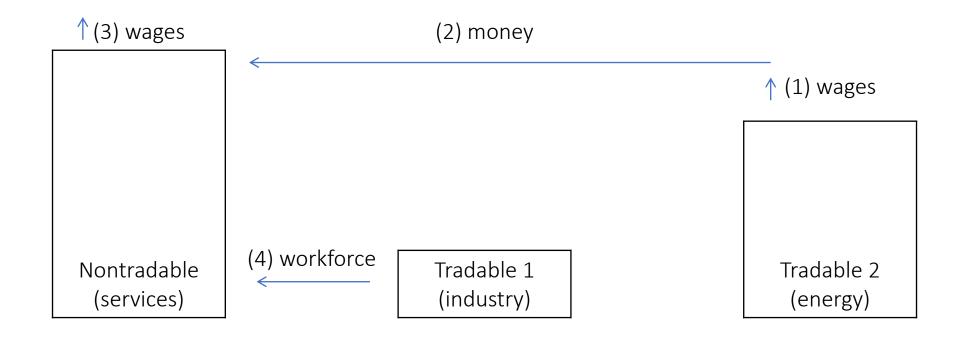
Tradable 1 (industry)

Tradable 2 (energy)

New expanding tradable sector emerges



Direct deindustrialization: workforce movement

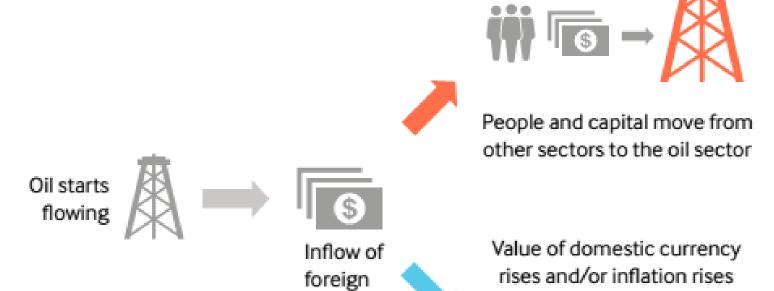


Indirect deindustrialization 1: workforce movement



Indirect deindustrialization 2: price difference induces currency appreciation that hinders tradable goods exports

Dutch disease: summary



currency



Other industries grow less competitive and decline



Dutch disease: some statistics

Gylfason, T. (2001): 162 countries, 1965-1998:

- + 3% of export in the expanding sector => 1% of total export
- + 5% workforce in the expanding sector => 1% of foreign direct investment

Dutch disease: some statistics

Mehrara, M (2008): 13 oil exporters, 1965-2005:

Growth in oil revenues:

- smaller than 18% per year: + 10% in oil revenues => + 1,3% other GDP
- larger than 18% per year: + 10% in oil revenues => 2.1 % other GDP

Growth in "other" export, 1980-2000

East Asia and Pacific 212%

Botswana 139%

Chile 99%

Iran 46%

Norway 15%

Camerun 0%

Venezuela -8%

Algeria -17%

Nigeria -24%

Kongo -52%

Stevens, Dietsch (2008): Resource curse: An analysis of causes, experiences and possible ways forward.

Findings

In developing countries, oil revenues can amplify existing conflicts, destabilize societes and prevent state-building and institutions-building from taking place. Alternatively, it can conserve societies in economically underdeveloped, yet welfare abundant state of being.

In developed (industrialized) countries, oil revenues can compromise the added value-producing industries and alter the economic development of a country.

Oil is good, when:

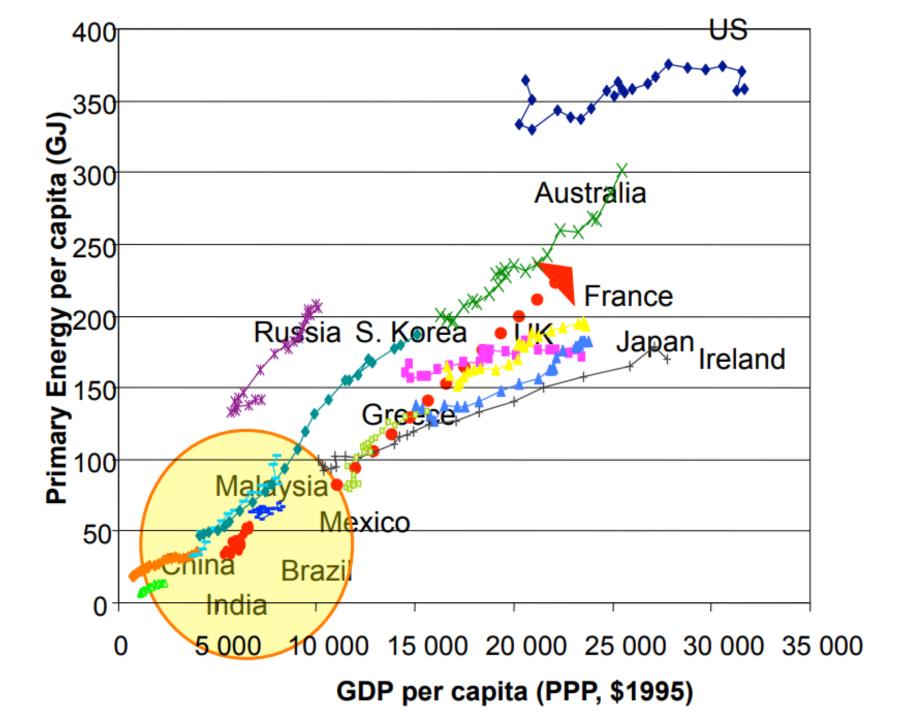
- Strong institutions exist before it is developed
- Oil revenues come gradually
- Oil revenues are managed thoughtfully

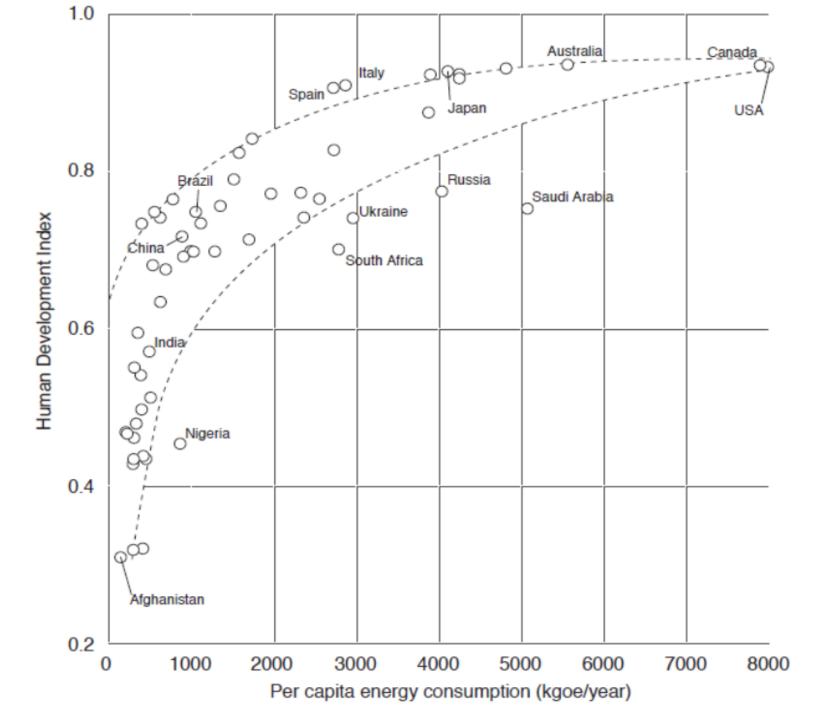
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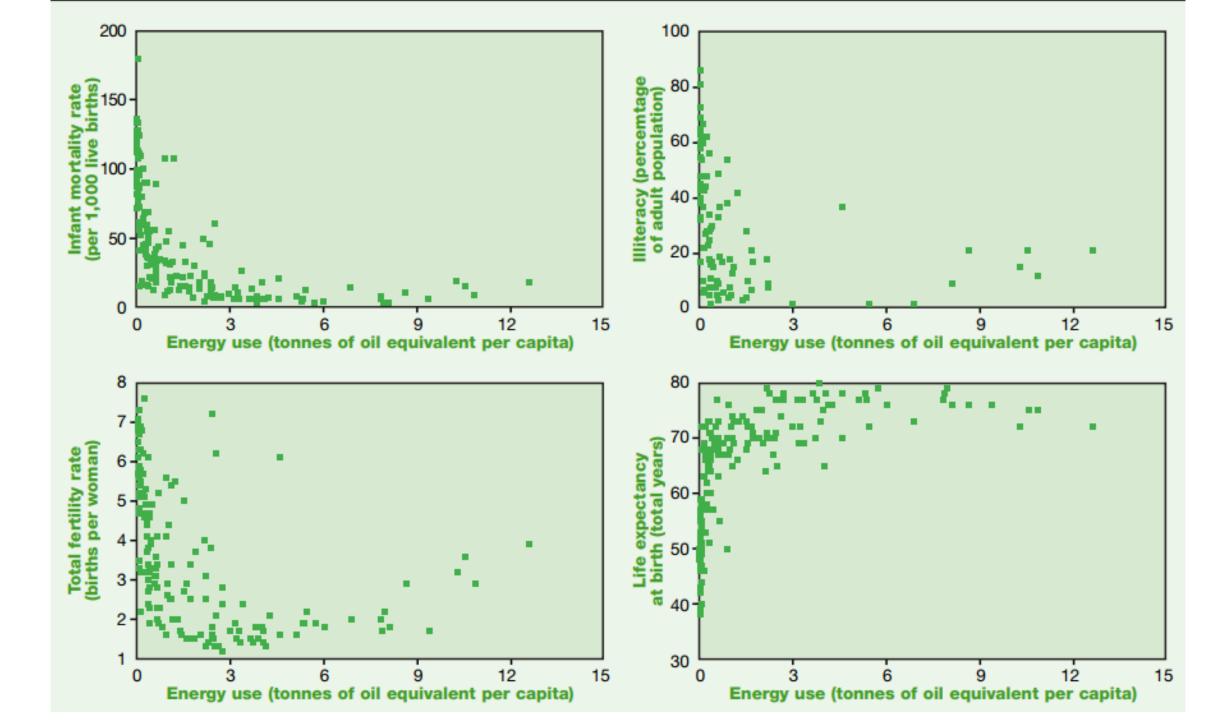
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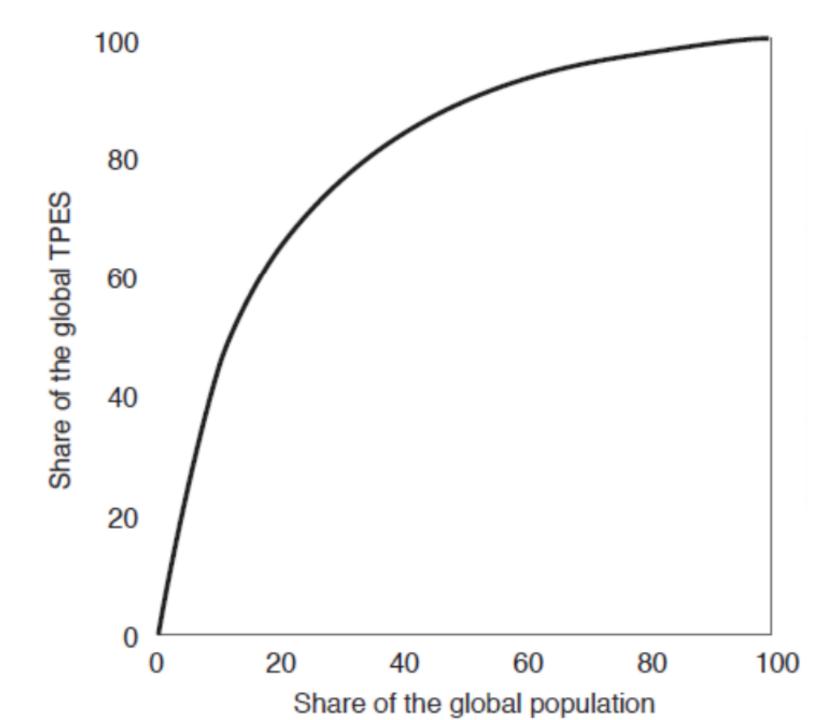
Lecture outline

- Energy, development, inequality
- Energy poverty in energy-unintensive countries
- Energy poverty in energy-intensive countries









Energy poverty and fuel poverty: the meaning

- Energy poverty = lack of (physical) access to modern energy services
- Fuel poverty = inability to adequately heat (or provide necessary energy services in) one's home at affordable cost
- Often in literature however: energy poverty = fuel poverty
- No agreement on how to measure energy/fuel poverty
- => What policies shall be drafted to address the issue?

Energy poverty in energy-unintensive countries/regions



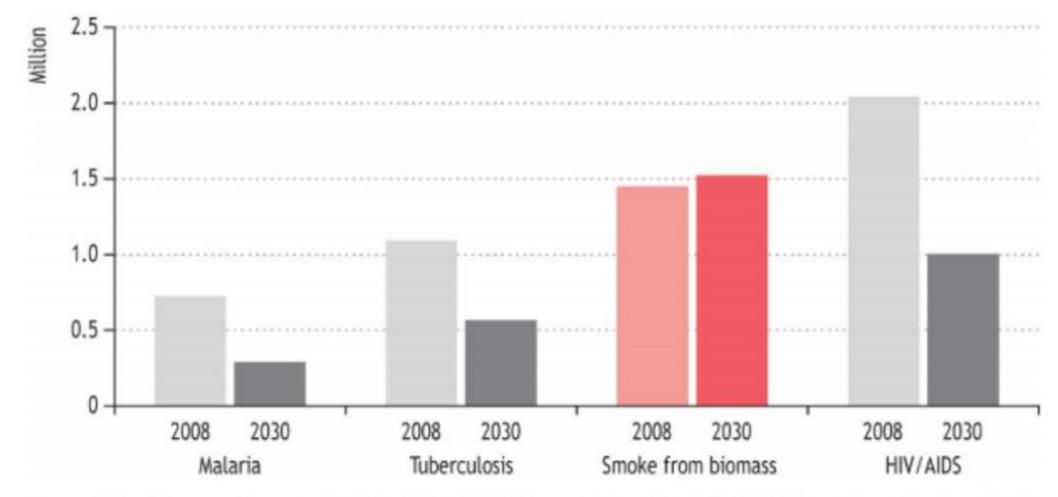
Energy poverty in energy-unintensive countries/regions

Reliance on biomass

- Indoor air pollution
- Time and effort in collecting biomass
- Unsustainable harvesting practices



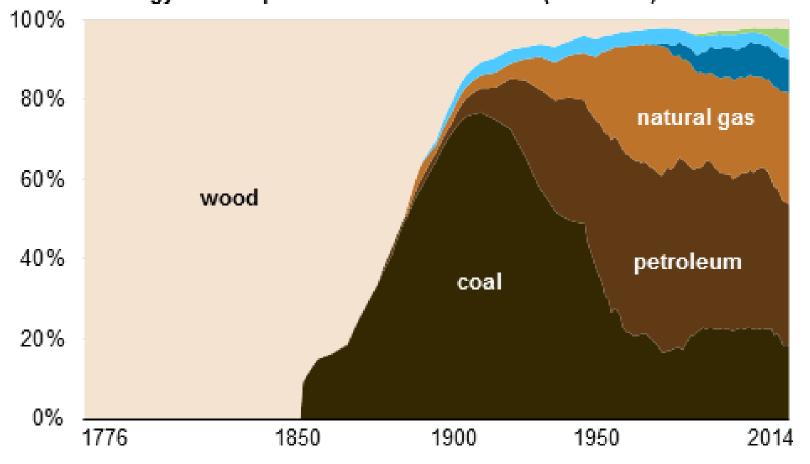
Premature annual deaths from household air pollution and other diseases

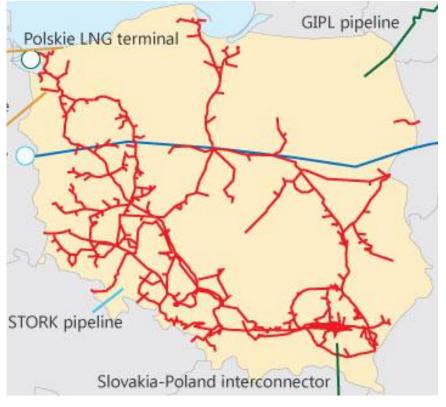


Sources: Mathers and Loncar (2006); WHO (2008); Smith et al., (2004); WHO (2004) and IEA analysis.

Fuel reliance

Share of energy consumption in the United States (1776-2014)





Energy poverty in energy-unintensive countries/regions

Energy poverty alleviation pathway: breaking the missing return on investment problem

- Scattered and small demand for energy
- Low purchasing power

- => Centralized solutions do not work
- => Micro-solutions need to be developed

Energy poverty in energy-intensive countries

- Recognized and reflected only recently (UK as a frontrunner effects of market liberalization?)
- EU gathers data and discusses appropriate policies (defining vulnerable consumers)

(see for example https://ec.europa.eu/energy/sites/ener/files/documents/INSIGHT E Energy%20Poverty%20-%20Main%20Report FINAL.pdf)

- The issue of redistribution
- The social sustainability environmental sustainability nexus

Equity and redistribution

• Should energy be subsidized?

• If yes, what and how?

Subsidized energy prices

- Alleviate (energy) poverty
- Foster purchasing power and consumer demand

- Burden state treasury
- Encourage overconsumption
- Challenge competitiveness of energy suppliers
- Leak to unintended groups

Natural gas wholesale market in Poland

Goal: to decrease natural gas price for the end customers

• Tool: mixing cheap domestic production (30%) with expensive imports (70%) to reduce the wholesale price

Result: even more expensive imports

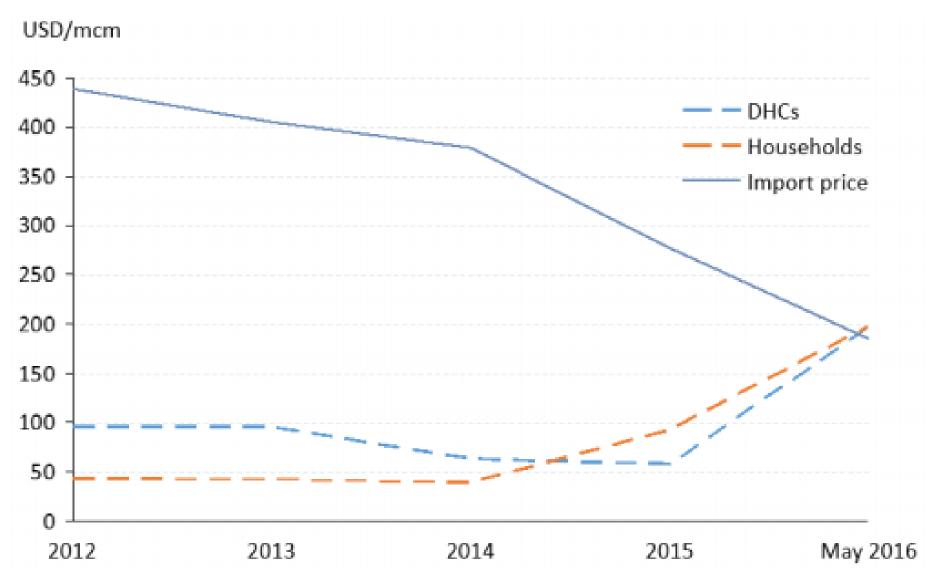
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Goal: affordable heat for households

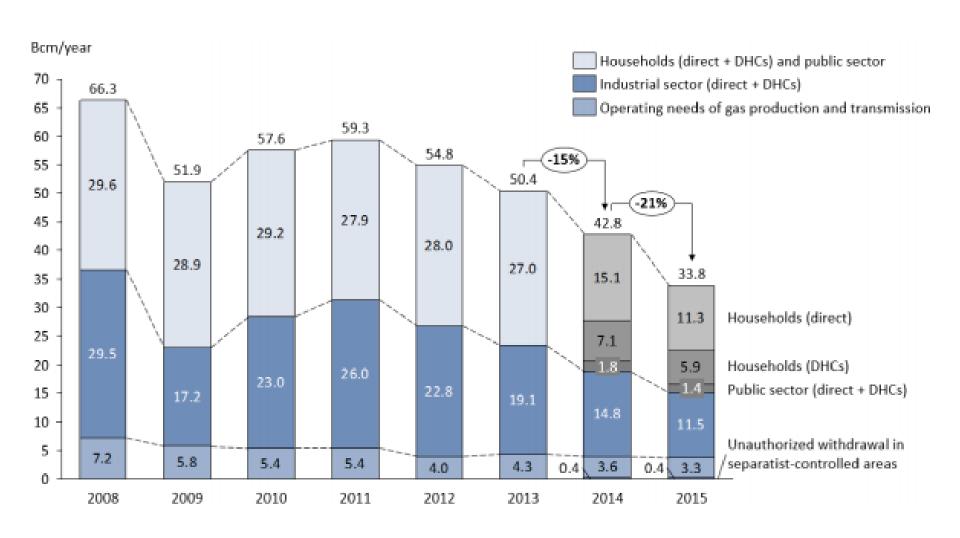
• Tool: regulated retail gas price (subsidies equaled to 5.6% of GDP)

 Result: overconsumption which contributed to the political and national security crisis of 2014

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Natural gas retail market in the Ukraine



The social sustainability – environmental sustainability nexus

Should the following measures/technologies be subsidized?

- Thermal efficiency of buildings
- Large scale renewable energy production sites
- Decentralized renewable energy sources
- Electrical mobility