

Renewable Energy 1: Solar and Geothermal (EG501J)

Geothermal Energy:

1. General Overview of the Energy Mix

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- **Energy Consumption**
- **Economics of Geothermal Energy**
- **Basics of a Power Plants**

(Hellisheiði Geothermal Power Station)



Energy: Production & Demand



Overview of the Energy Industries



We use energy to provide:

➤ Electricity

➤ Heat

➤ Transport



Overview of the Energy Industries

From:

- Fossil fuels:
 - Oil;
 - Gas;
 - Coal;
 - Nuclear;
 - Hydroelectricity;
 - Wind;
- Solar;
 - Maritime (wave, tide etc);
 - **Geothermal**;
 - Etc.



Major Issues:

- Rising energy demand;
- Need to stabilise atmospheric CO₂ at 550ppm;
- Aging fleet of coal & nuclear plant;
- Concerns about storage of nuclear waste;
- Declining oil & gas reserves 30- 50 years;
- Only 70 years of uranium left;
- **Reduce reliance on hydrocarbons.**

Policy drivers:

- Low Carbon Society;
- Security of Supply;
- Fuel Poverty;

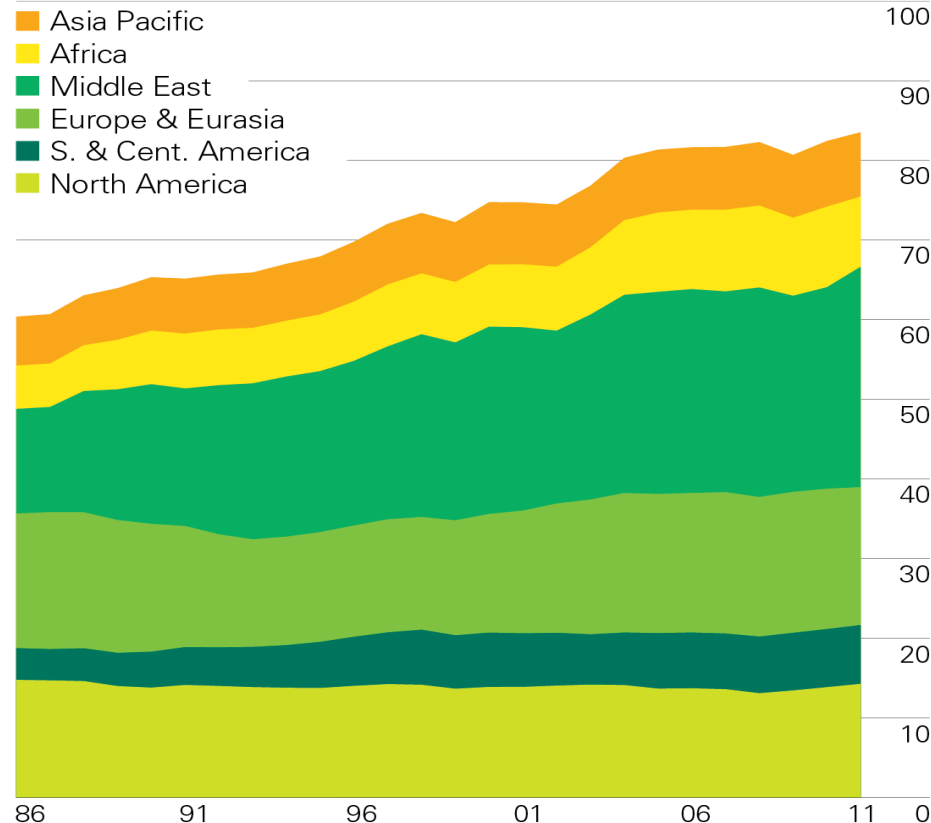


Growth Trends (1985-2010):

Oil Production/Consumption

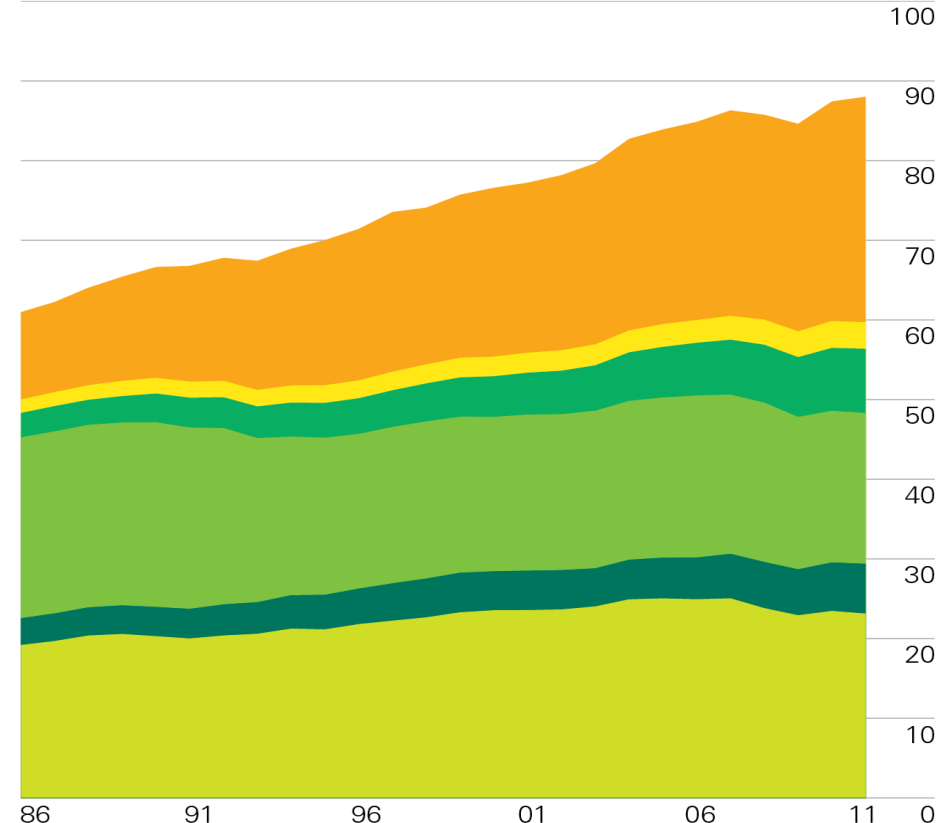
Production by region

Million barrels daily



Consumption by region

Million barrels daily



World oil production increased by 1.1 million b/d in 2011, with OPEC accounting for nearly all of the increase despite a 1.2 million b/d reduction in Libyan production. The US had the largest growth in non-OPEC supply for a third consecutive year. World oil consumption increased by roughly 600,000 b/d. All of the net growth came from emerging economies in Asia, South & Central America, and the Middle East, offsetting declines in Europe and North America.

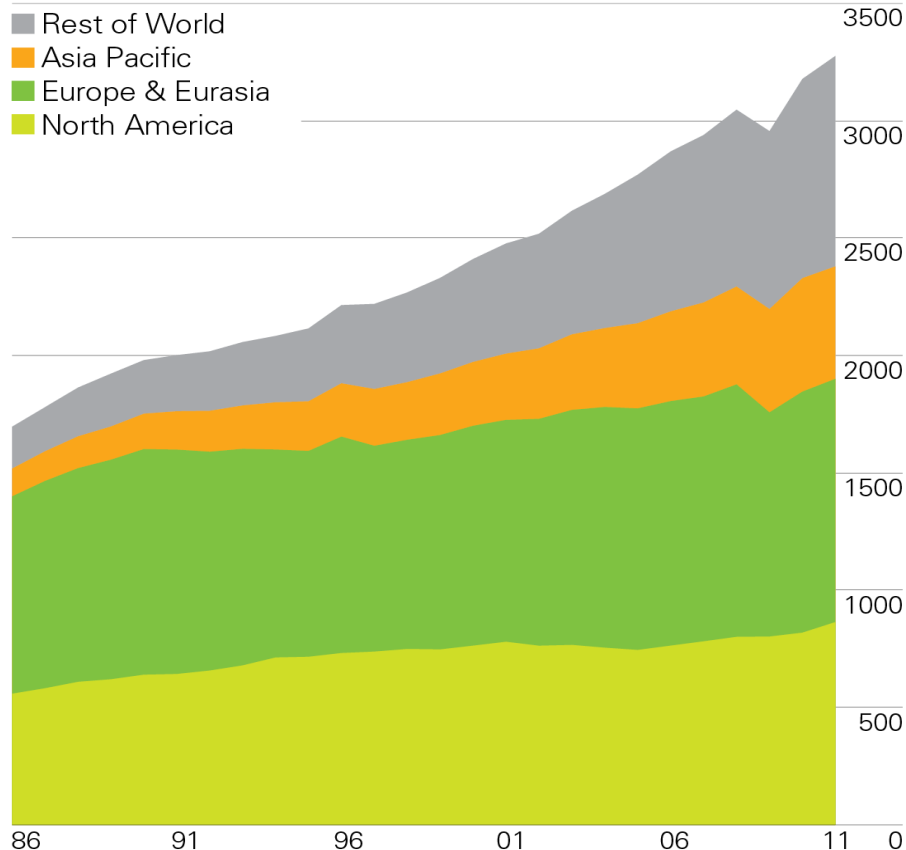
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Growth Trends (1985-2010):

Natural Gas Production/Consumption

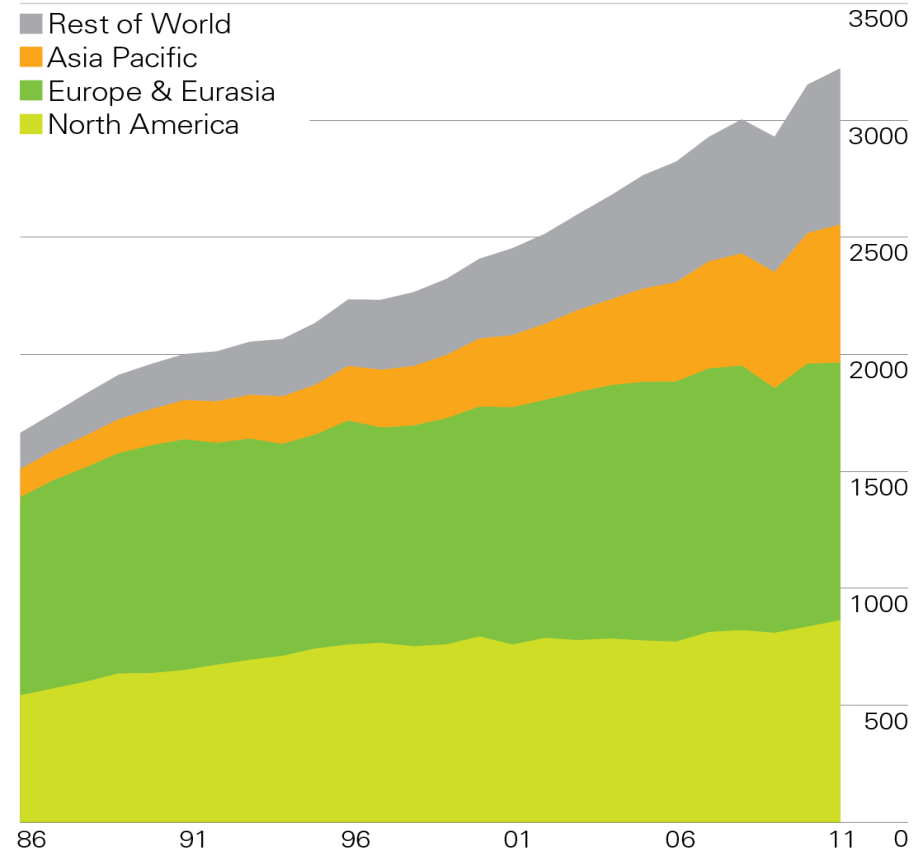
Production by region

Billion cubic metres



Consumption by region

Billion cubic metres



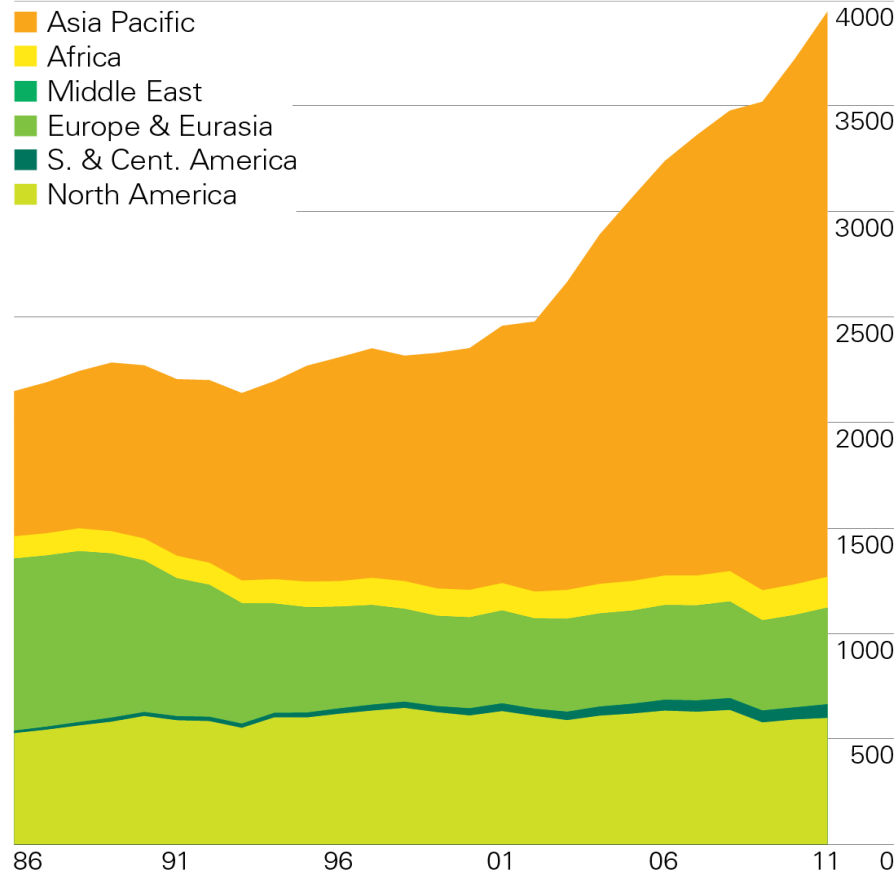
World natural gas production increased by 3.1% in 2011. While the US saw the largest national increase, the Middle East recorded the largest regional increment to production. Production growth in Russia and Turkmenistan was partly offset by a large decline in European production. Natural gas consumption increased by 2.2%, with below-average growth in all regions but North America. The European Union experienced the sharpest decline in natural gas consumption (−9.9%) on record.

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Growth Trends (1985-2010):

Production by region

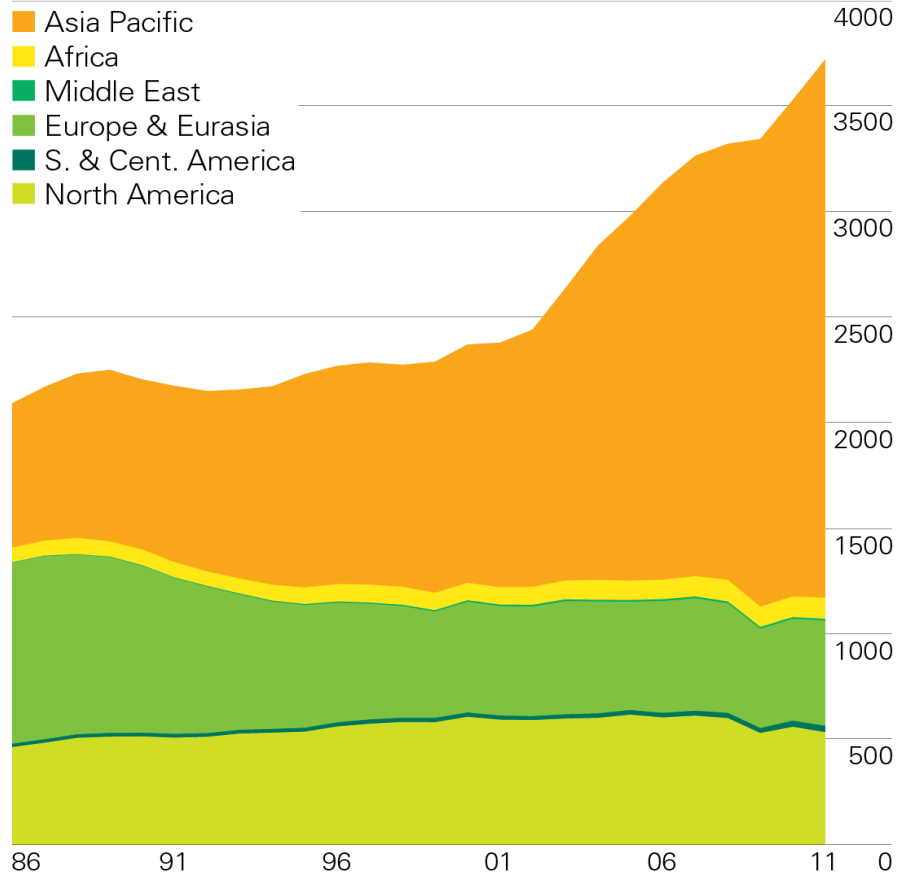
Million tonnes oil equivalent



Coal Production/Consumption

Consumption by region

Million tonnes oil equivalent



Coal was again the fastest-growing fossil fuel. Global production grew by 6.1%. The Asia Pacific region accounted for 85% of global production growth, led by an 8.8% increase in China, the world's largest supplier. Global coal consumption increased by 5.4%, with the Asia Pacific region accounting for all of the net growth. Elsewhere, large declines in North American consumption were offset by growth in all other regions.

BP Statistical Review of World Energy 2012

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Growth Trends (1985-2010):

	Production 2010	Historical Growth	Growth(%)
Oil	86M mbo/day	1M mbo/year	1.2
Coal	3.6B Toe	160M toe/year	4.4
Gas	3150B m ³	60B m ³ /year	1.9

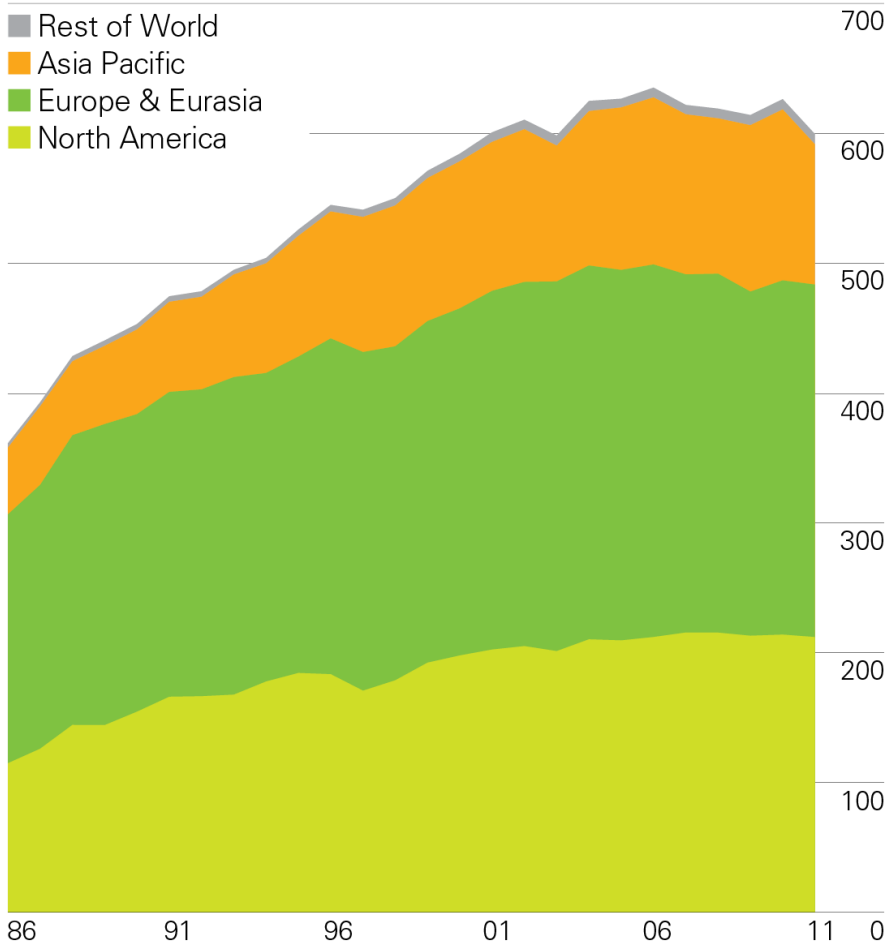
toe: Tonnes oil equivalent
mbo: million barrel of oil

1 toe = 11.63 MWh = 41.87 GJ = 39.7M BTU
1 toe = 7.4 barrel of oil equivalent (boe)
1 barrel of oil = 159 litres

Growth Trends (1985-2010):

Nuclear energy consumption by region

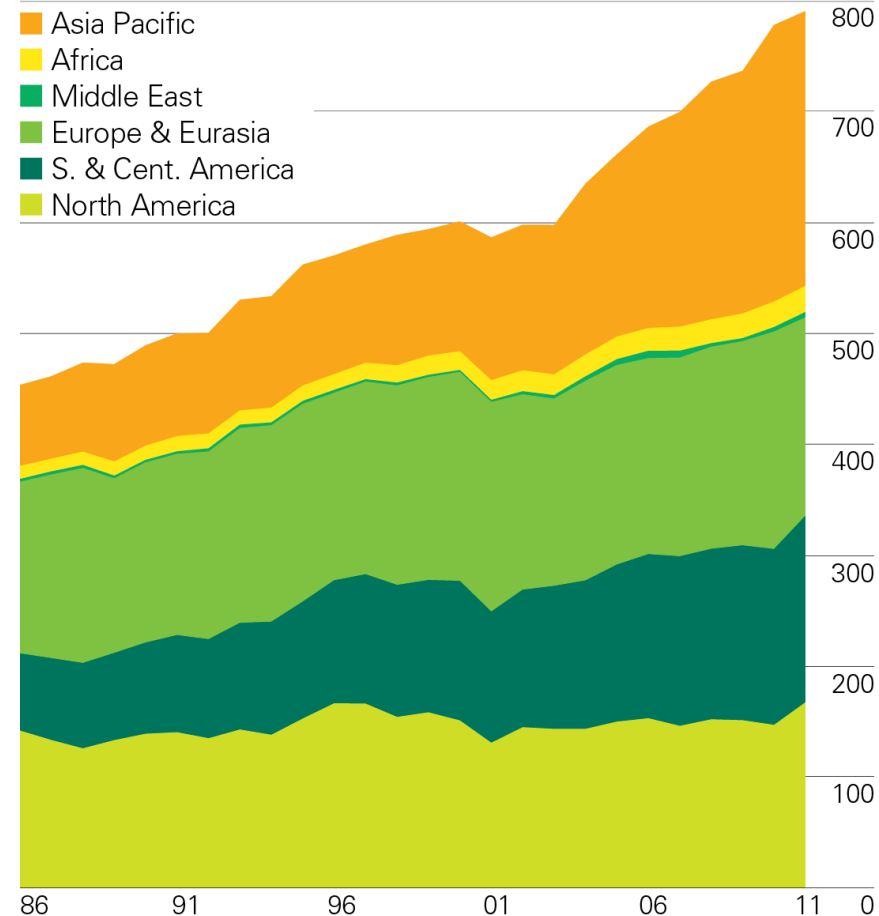
Million tonnes oil equivalent



World nuclear power generation declined by 4.3%, the largest decline on record. Japanese nuclear output fell by 44.3%, and German output fell by 23.2%.

Hydroelectricity consumption by region

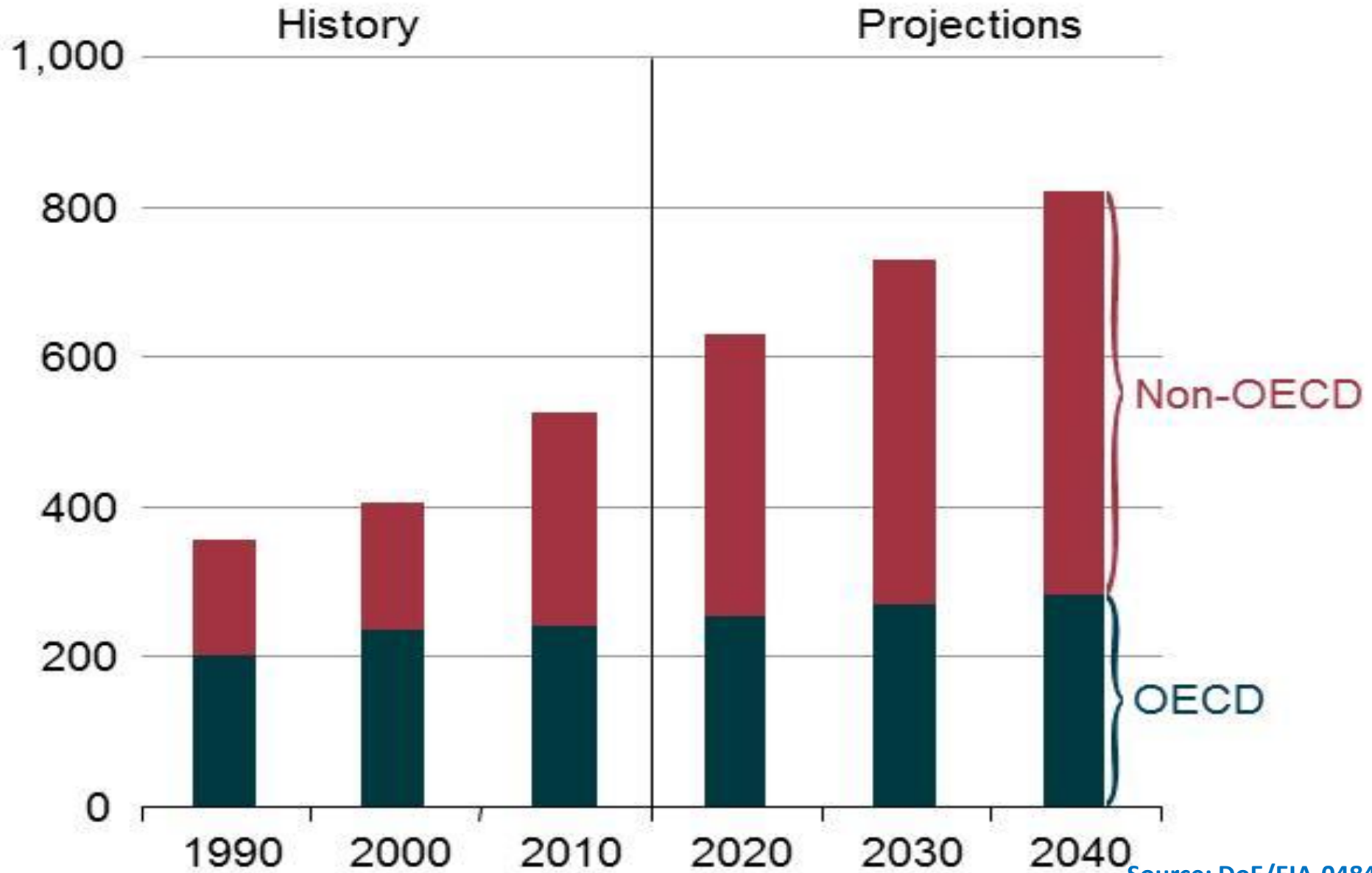
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Global hydroelectric output grew by a below-average 1.6%. Strong growth in North America (+13.9%) was offset by drought-related declines in Europe & Eurasia and Asia Pacific.

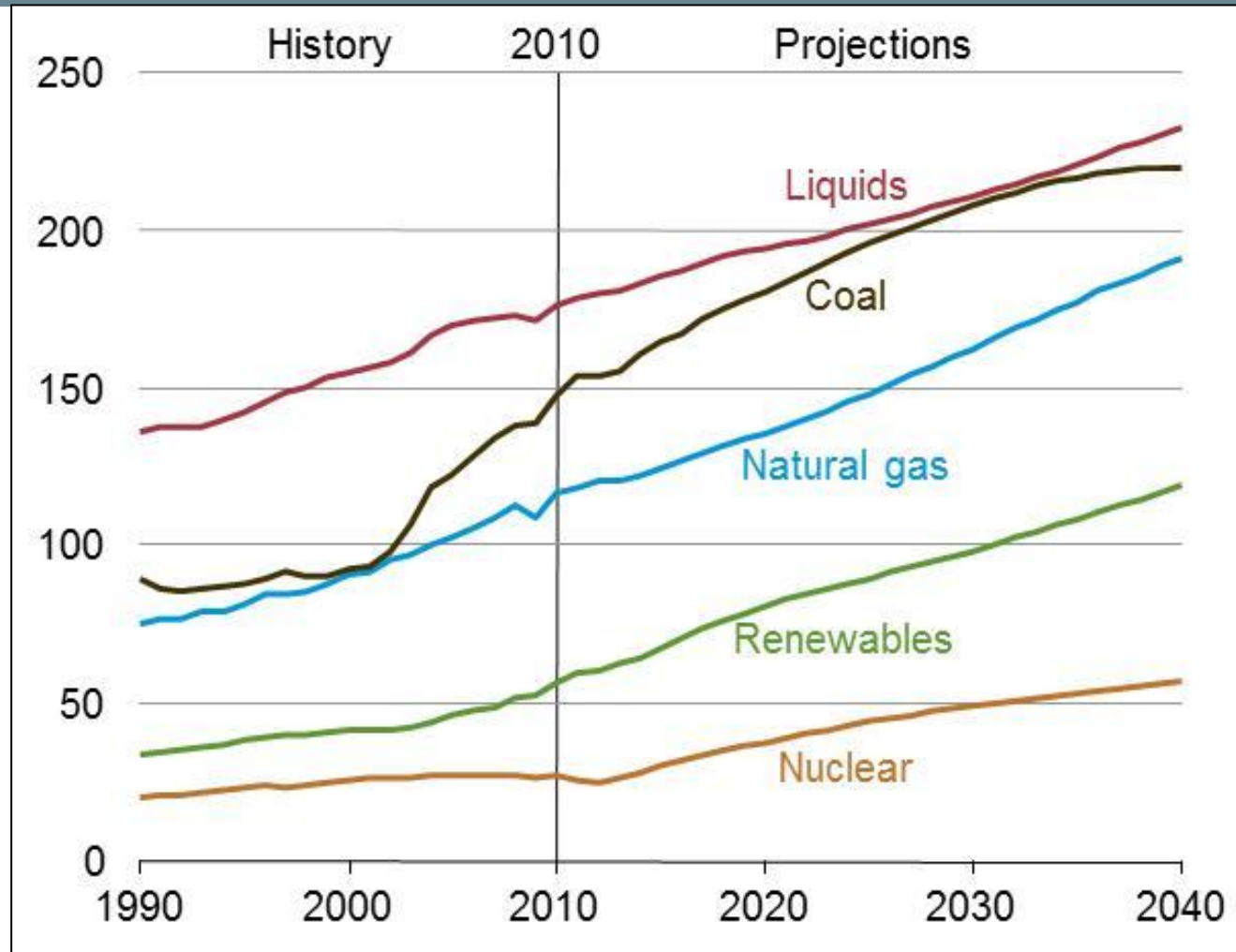
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World Energy Consumption (10^{15} BTU)



Source: DoE/EIA-0484

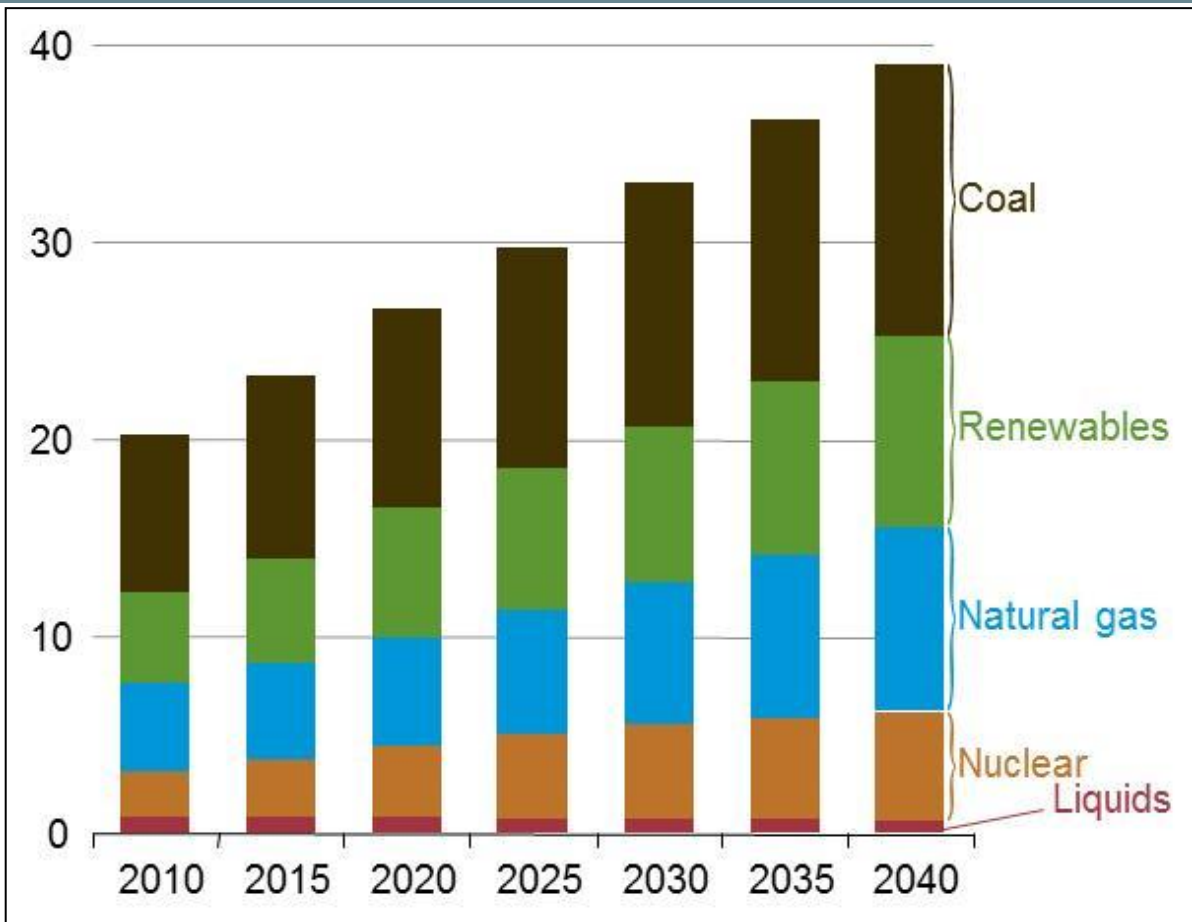
World Energy Consumption (fuel type, 10^{15} BTU)



Source: DoE/EIA-0484

- Petroleum liquids fuels: crude oil and lease condensate, natural gas plant liquids, bitumen, extra-heavy oil, and refinery gains;
- Other liquids fuels: gas-to-liquids, coal-to-liquids, kerogen and biofuels.

World Net Electricity Generation (fuel type, 10¹² kWh)

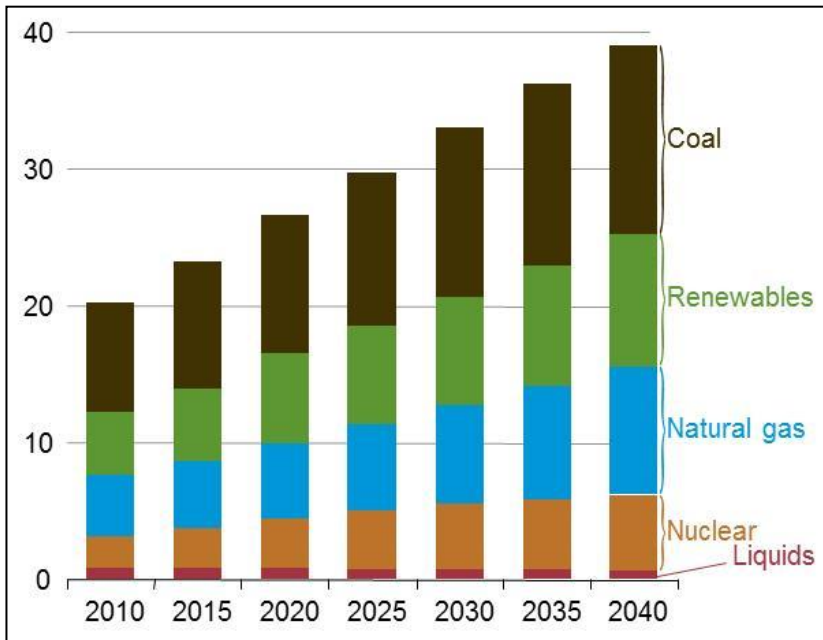


Variation (2010-40):

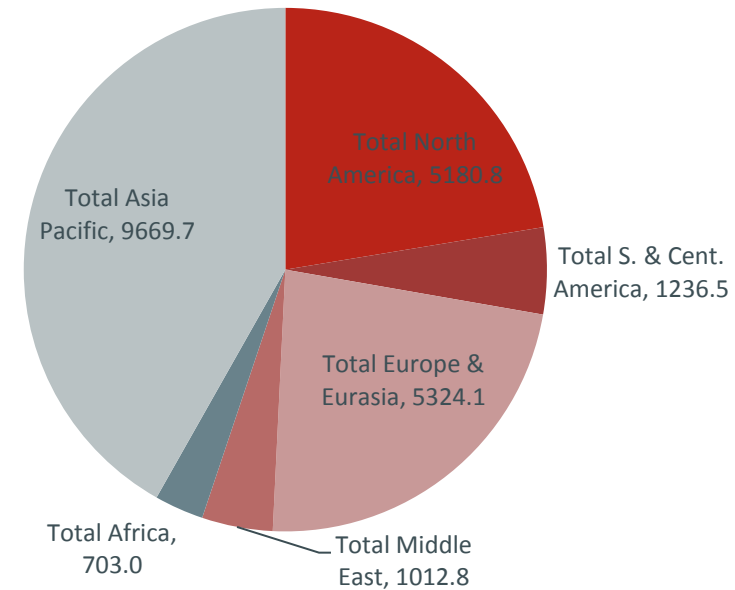
Liquids	-1.0 %
Nuclear	2.5%
Natural Gas	2.5%
Renewables	2.8%
Coal	1.8%
WORLD	2.2%

Conversion: 1 kWh = 3412.15 BTU

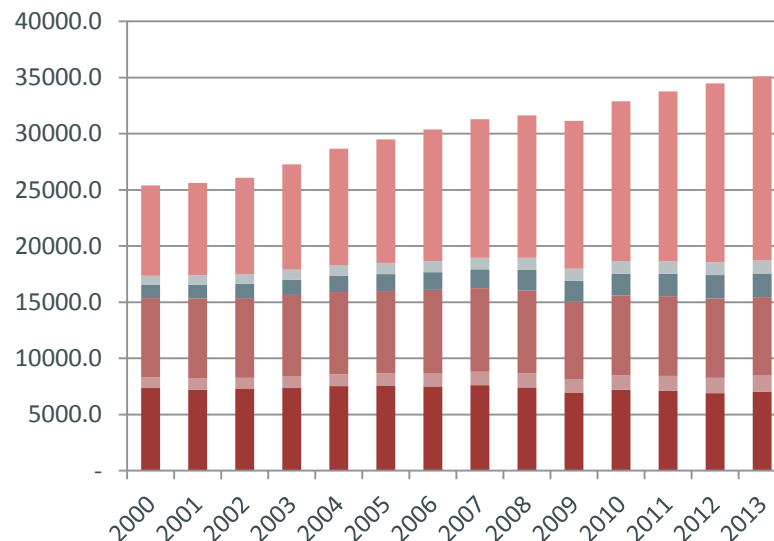
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World electricity generation (10¹² kWh)



Electricity Generation (Terawatt-hours)

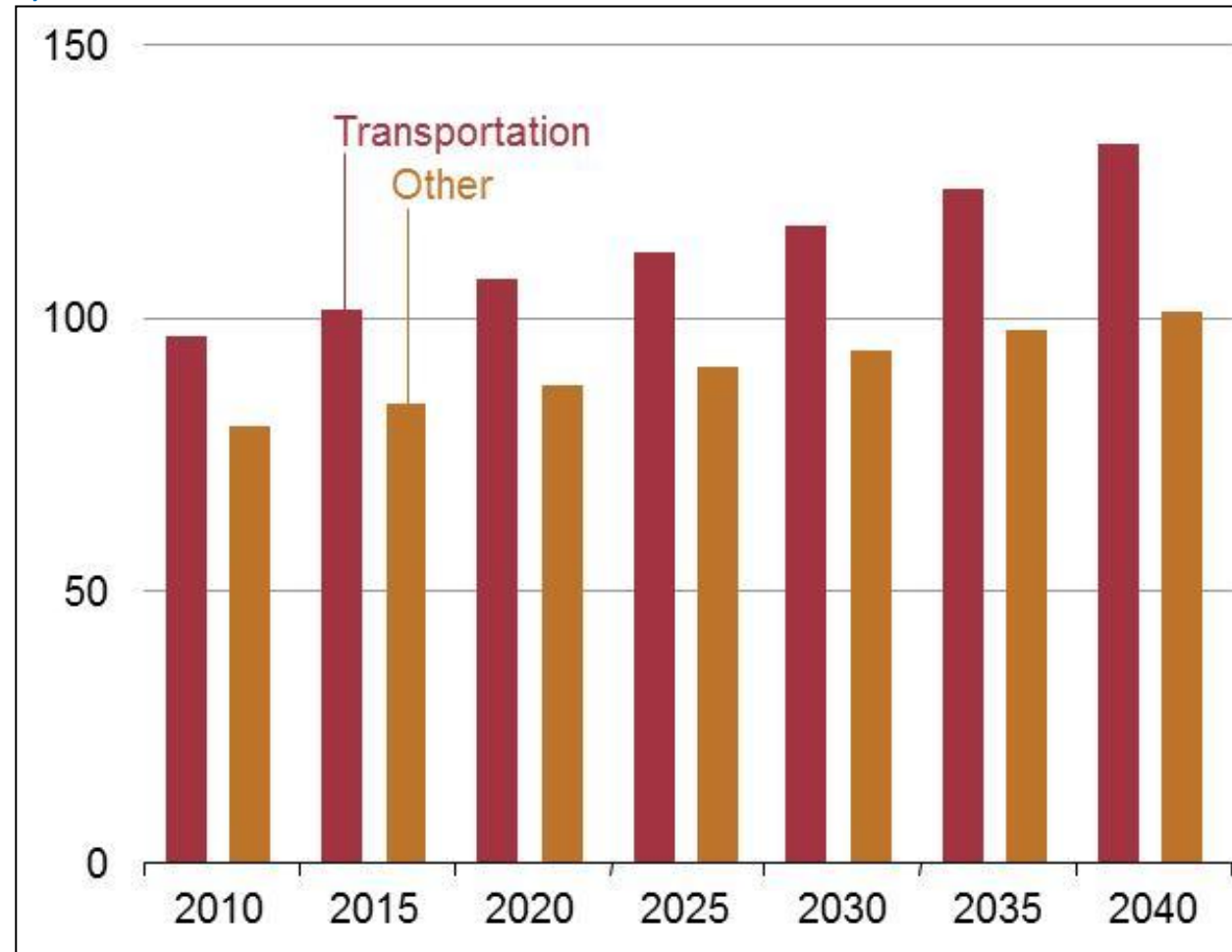


CO₂ Emissions (Million tonnes)

Source: BP Statistical Review of World Energy (2014)

World liquid consumption (10^{15} BTU)

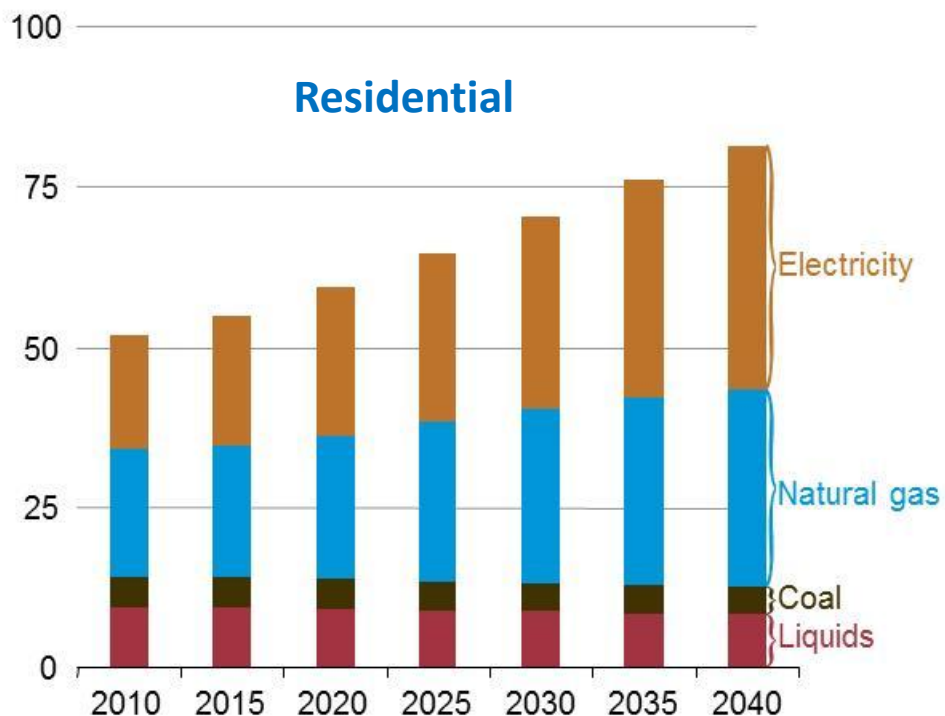
- Petroleum and other liquid fuels are the main component of energy sector energy;
- Transport accounts for 63% of total growth in energy consumption over 2010-40;
- Transport Sector (2010-40): **$+36 \times 10^{15}$ BTU**;
- Industry Sector (2010-40): **$+25 \times 10^{15}$ BTU**;



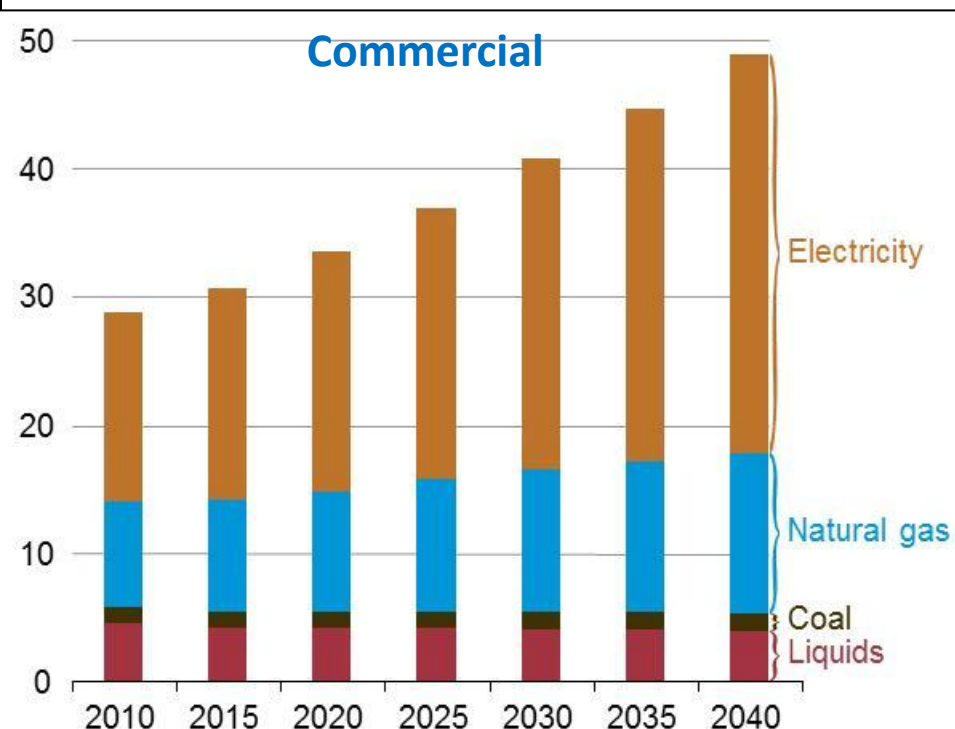
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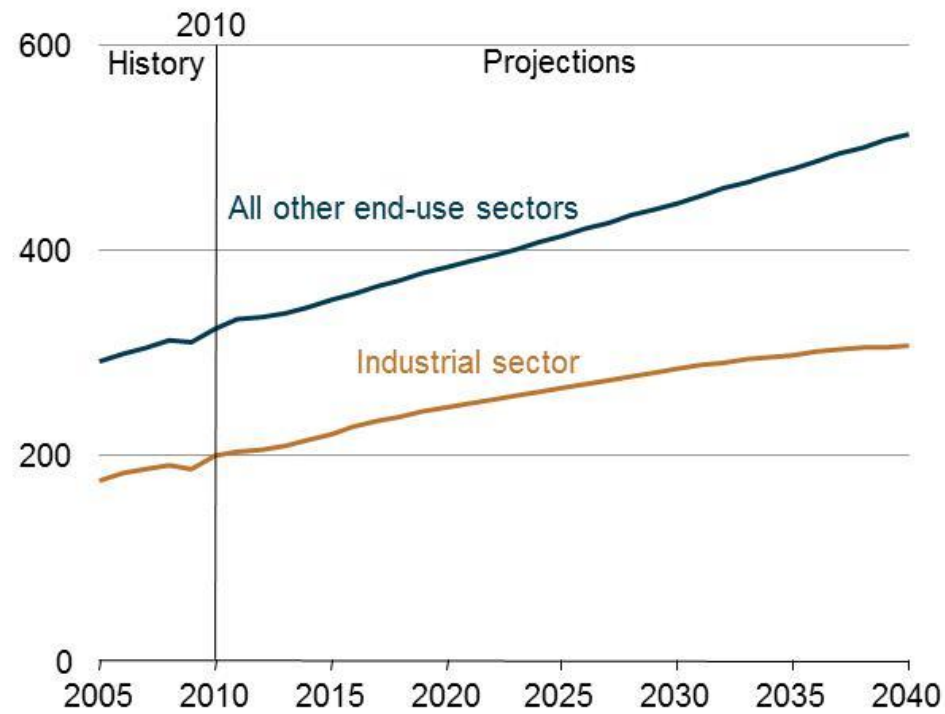
World Residential/Commercial Consumption (10¹⁵ BTU)



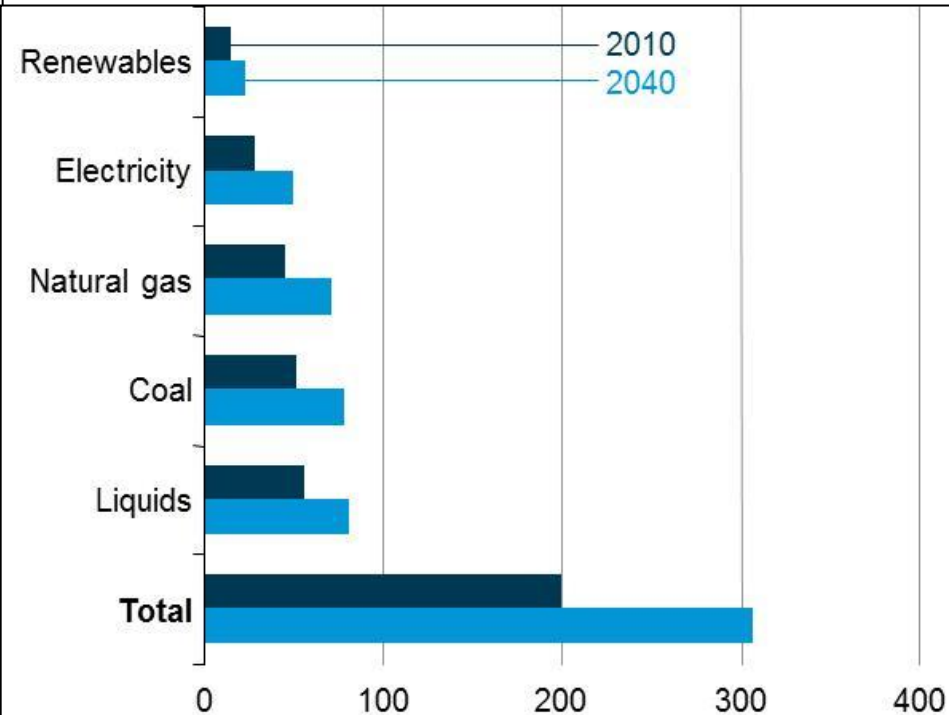
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World Industrial Sector Consumption (10¹⁵ BTU)



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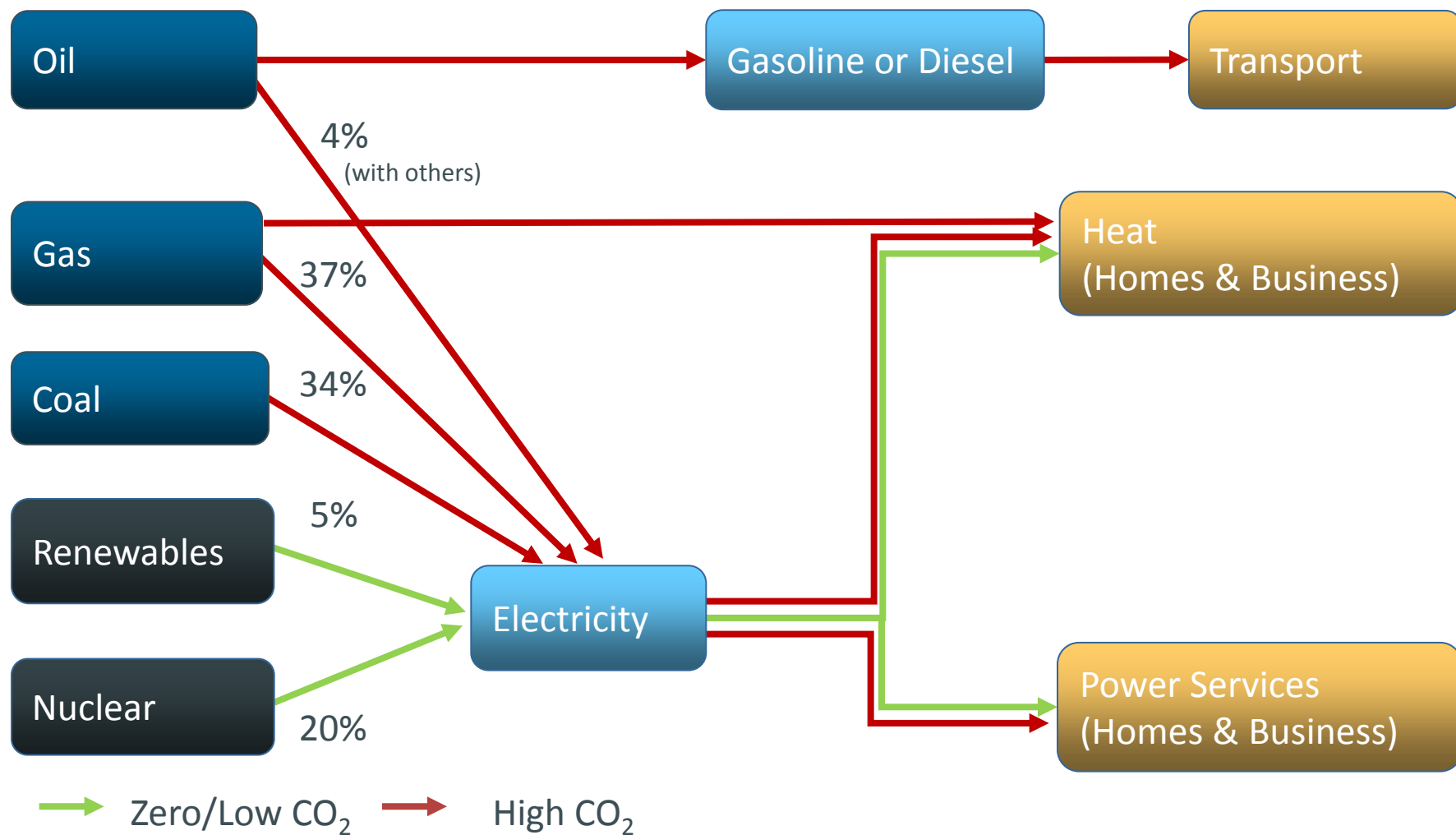
Energy Consumption: Transport Sector (10¹⁵ BTU)

Region	2010	2015	2020	2030	2040	Aver. Annual % change
OECD	57.9	56.0	55.9	54.5	55.5	-0.1
Americas	32.7	32.5	32.5	31.7	32.9	0.0
Europe	18	16.3	16.2	15.7	15.7	-0.5
Asia	7.1	7.2	7.1	7.0	7	-0.1
Non-OECD	43.1	50.3	56.4	68.3	83.9	2.2
Europe and Euroasia	6.7	8.0	8.5	9.5	10.6	1.5
Asia	19.9	23.5	28.0	37.0	49.2	3.1
Middle-East	6	7.4	8.1	8.6	9.5	1.5
Africa	3.8	4.0	4.1	4.5	4.8	0.8
Central and South America	6.6	7.3	7.7	8.8	9.8	1.3
TOTAL	101.0	106.2	112.2	122.8	139.5	1.1

Energy used to move people and goods by road, rail, air, water and pipeline.

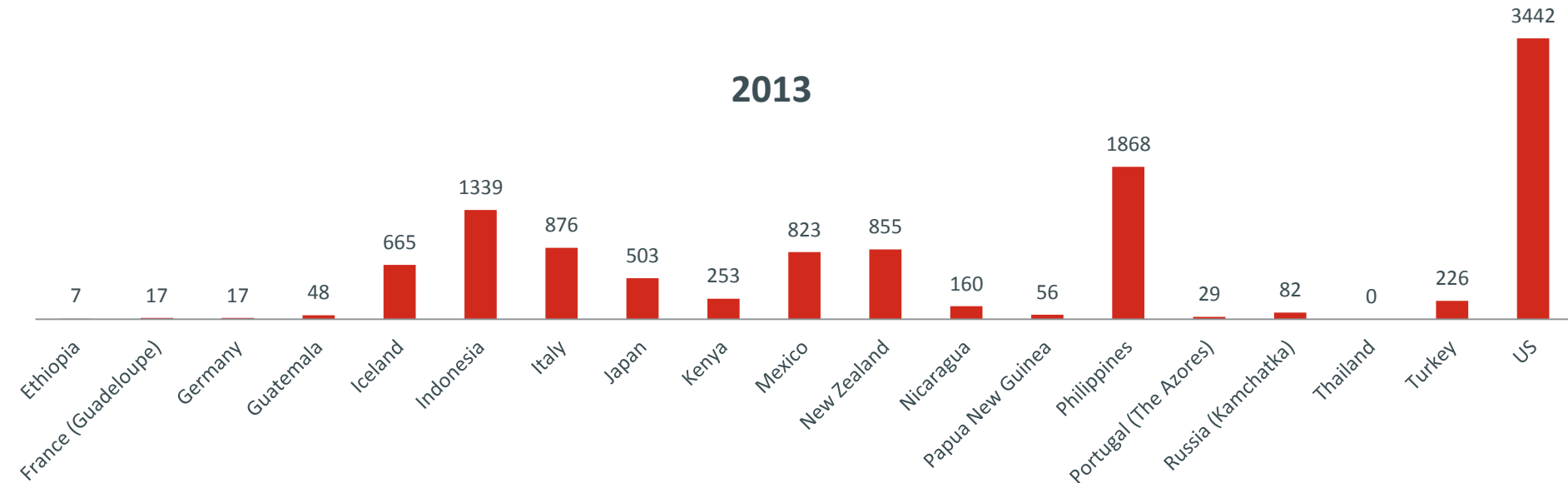
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Energy Mix in UK



Geothermal Power Capacity (MW) Cumulative Installed

2013



- Nearly 12GW supplied to 24 countries worldwide;
- Electricity attends the need of more than 60M people;
- Indonesia: 23% of all electricity generated by geothermal sources and;
- Iceland: Fully powered by renewables with geothermal producing 17% of the electricity and 87% of the heating;

Source: BP Statistical Review of World Energy (2014)

10 Largest Power Plants of the World (2011)

Rank	Plant	Country	Capacity (MW _{el})	Aver. Annual Elect. Gen. (TWh)	Plant Type
1	3-Gorges Dam	China	22500	98.1	Hydro
2	Itaipu Dam	Brazil/Paraguay	14000	98.2	Hydro
3	Guri Dam	Venezuela	10235	53.41	Hydro
4	Tucurui Dam	Brazil	8370	21.4	Hydro
5	Kashiwaazaki-Kariwa NPP	Japan	8212	24.63	Nuclear
6	Grand Coulee Dam	USA	6809	21	Hydro
7	Longtan Dam	China	6426	18.7	Hydro
8	Bruce NPP	Canada	6272	36.25	Nuclear
9	Uljin NPP	South Korea	6157	44.81	Nuclear
10	Yeonggwang NPP	South Korea	6139	48.16	Nuclear

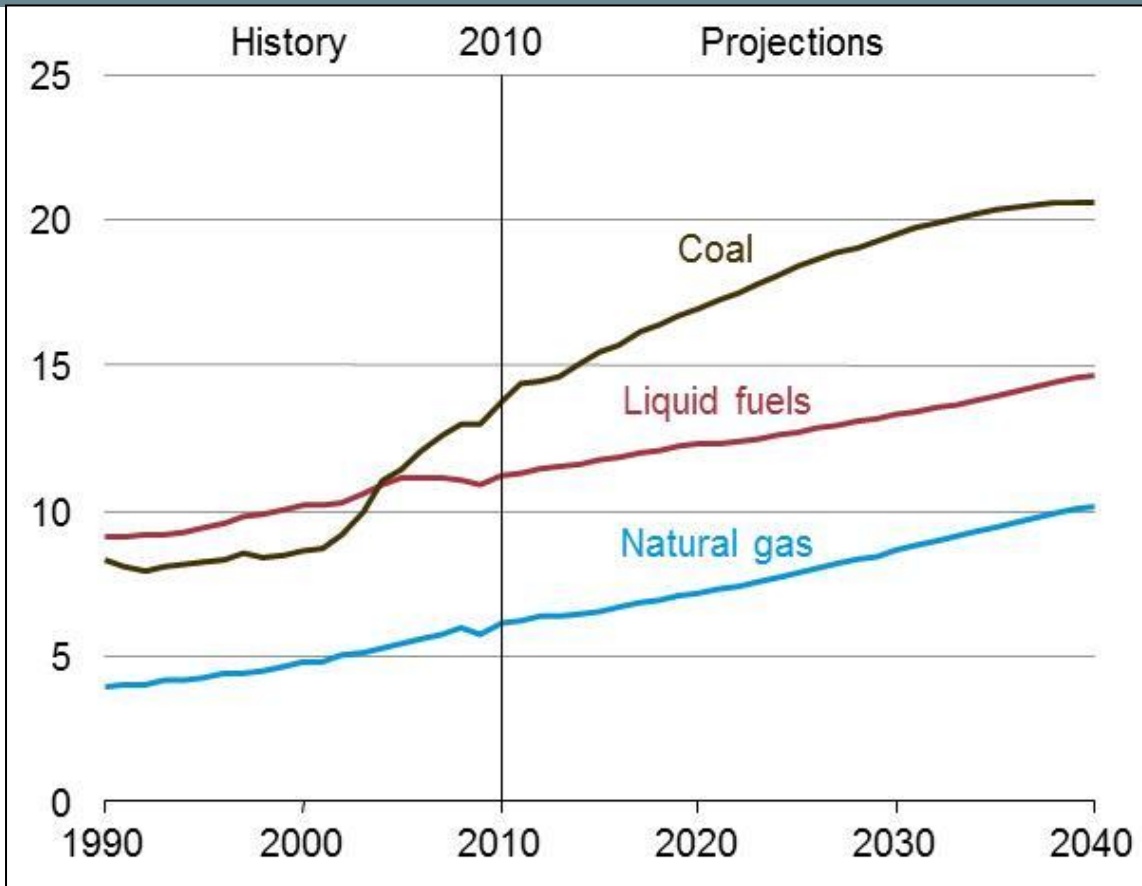
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3	Taichung Power Plant	Taiwan	5780	Coal
4	Shoaiba Power Plant	Saudi Arabia	5600	Fuel Oil
5	Surgut-2 Power Plant	Russia	5597	Natural Gas
6	Eesti Power Plant	Estonia	1615	Oil Shale
7	Shatura Power Plant	Russia	1500	Peat
8	Alta Wind Energy Center	USA	1020	Wind (onshore)
9	Tilbury B Power Station	UK	750	Biofuel
10	Hellisheioi Power Station	Iceland	303	Geothermal
11	Sihwa Lake Tidal Power Station	South Korea	254	Tidal
12	Agua Calient Solar Project	USA	251	Solar
13	Agucadora Wave Farm	Portugal	2	Marine (wave)

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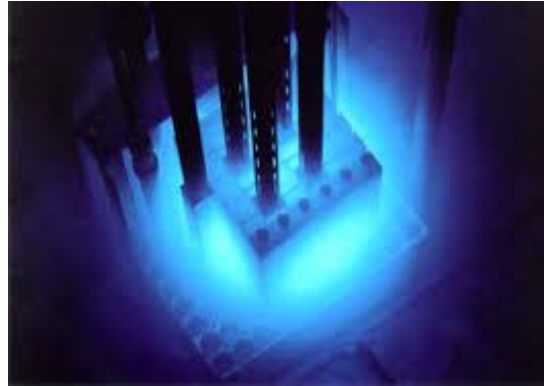
World Energy-related CO₂ Emissions (in billion metric tons)

Source: DoE/EIA-0484

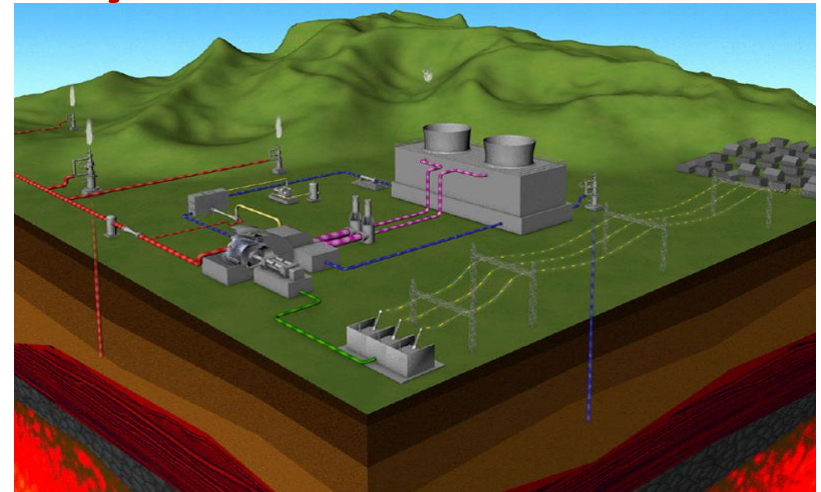


1 cubic ton = 40 cubic feet = 1.133 cubic meters

- Increase of coal power stations → Increase coal consumption → more GHG (Greenhouse gases);
- Growth in consumption of liquid fuels and natural/shale gas over the next 30 years;
- Solar, wind, biomass (renewables) will benefit from intensive R&D and will continue to grow, but;
- Solar and wind: unlikely to produce more than 25% of world demand of electricity by 2050.



Energy Conversion: Reapplication of Fundamental Physics

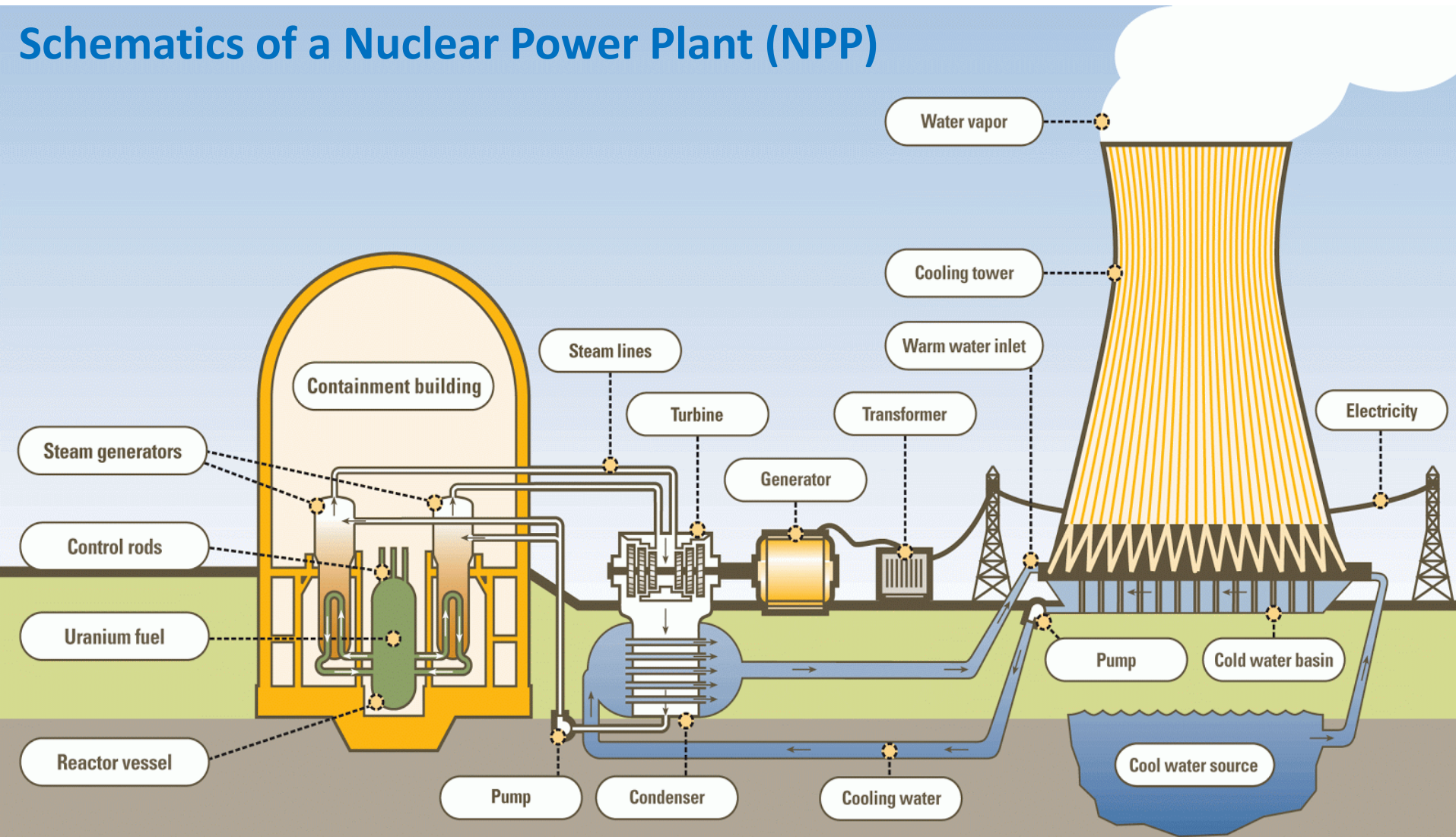


Why Geothermal (or why pursue a diverse energy matrix)??

- To address **CLIMATE CHANGE** we must:
 - ✓ improve efficiency and;
 - ✓ reduce use of fossil fuel-based energy source.
- GHG emissions should be mitigated by the development of new cost-effective technologies:
 - ✓ Carbon Capture Storage and Transportation (CCST);
 - ✓ Nuclear → Management of nuclear waste storage;
 - ✓ Low-carbon energy sources (i.e., renewables);
 - ✓ Integrated Gasification Combined Cycle (IGCC):
 - Converting carbon-based fuels into syngas (gas-synthesis - mainly H_2 , CO);
 - Combined steam (e.g., Rankine) and gas (e.g., Brayton) cycles using advanced turbines with high thermal efficiency;
- Energy security: most countries do not have fossil-fuel resources to sustain their economies.

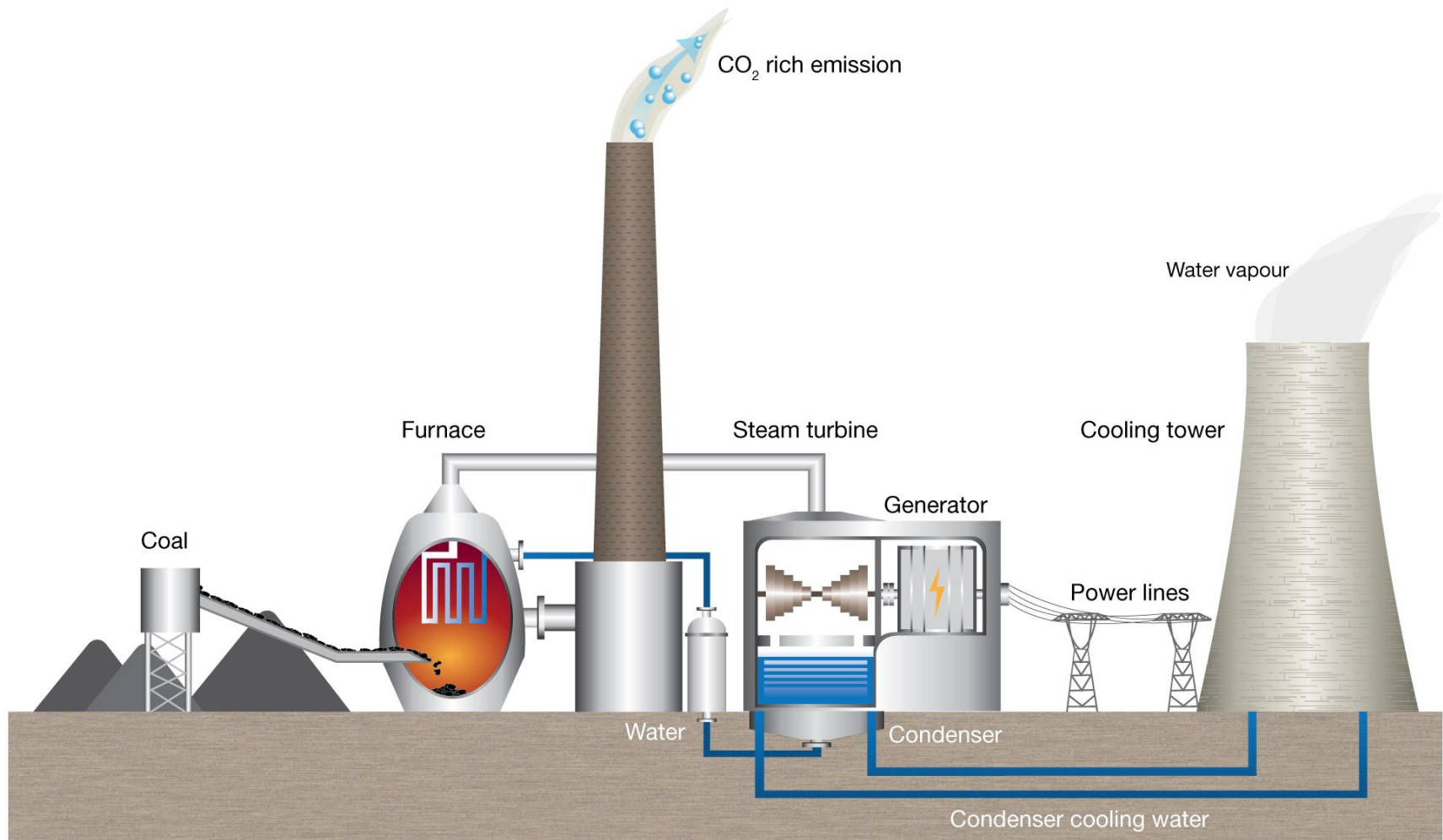
How Power Plants Work? Heat Sources!

Schematics of a Nuclear Power Plant (NPP)



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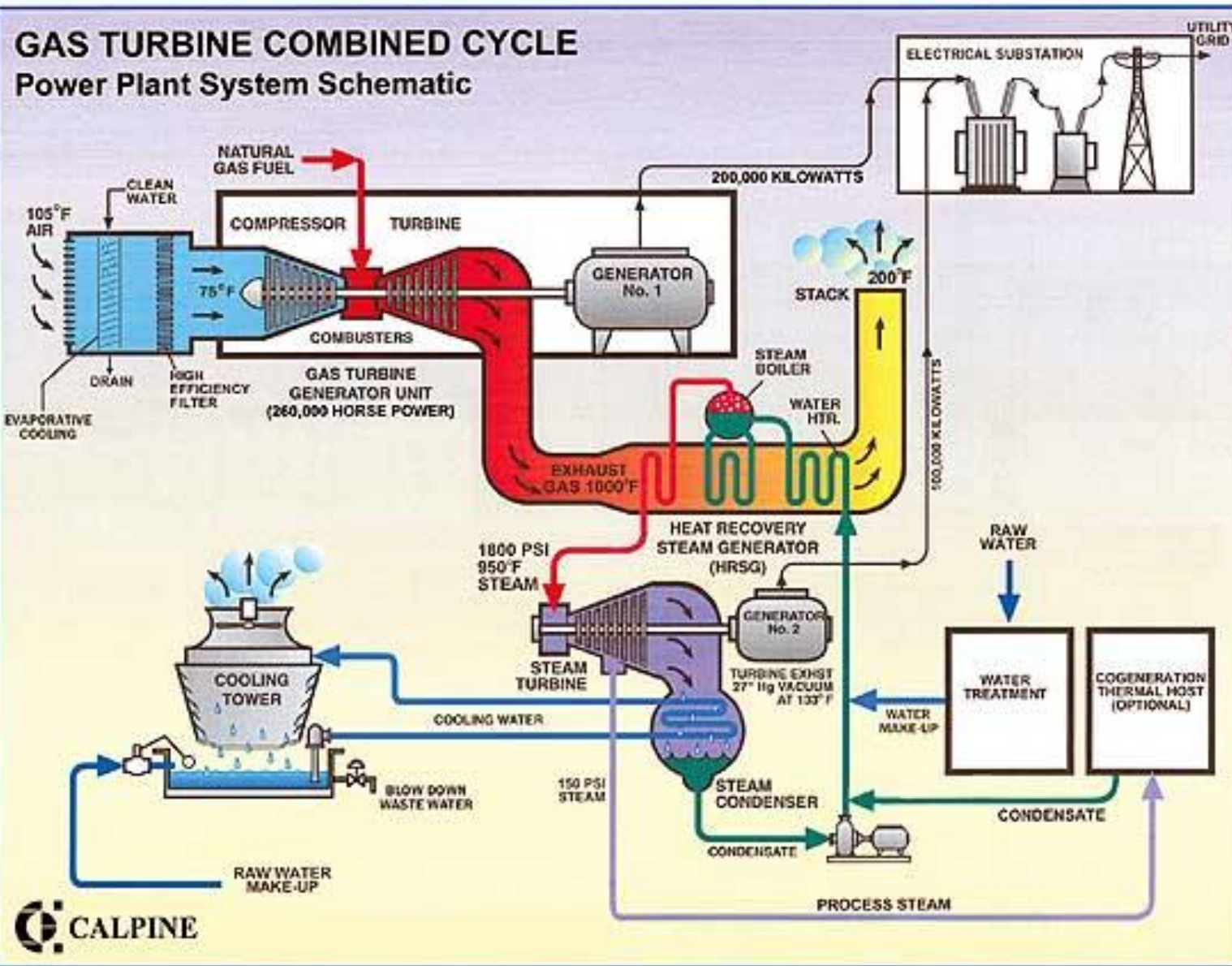
Schematics of a Coal-Fired Power Station



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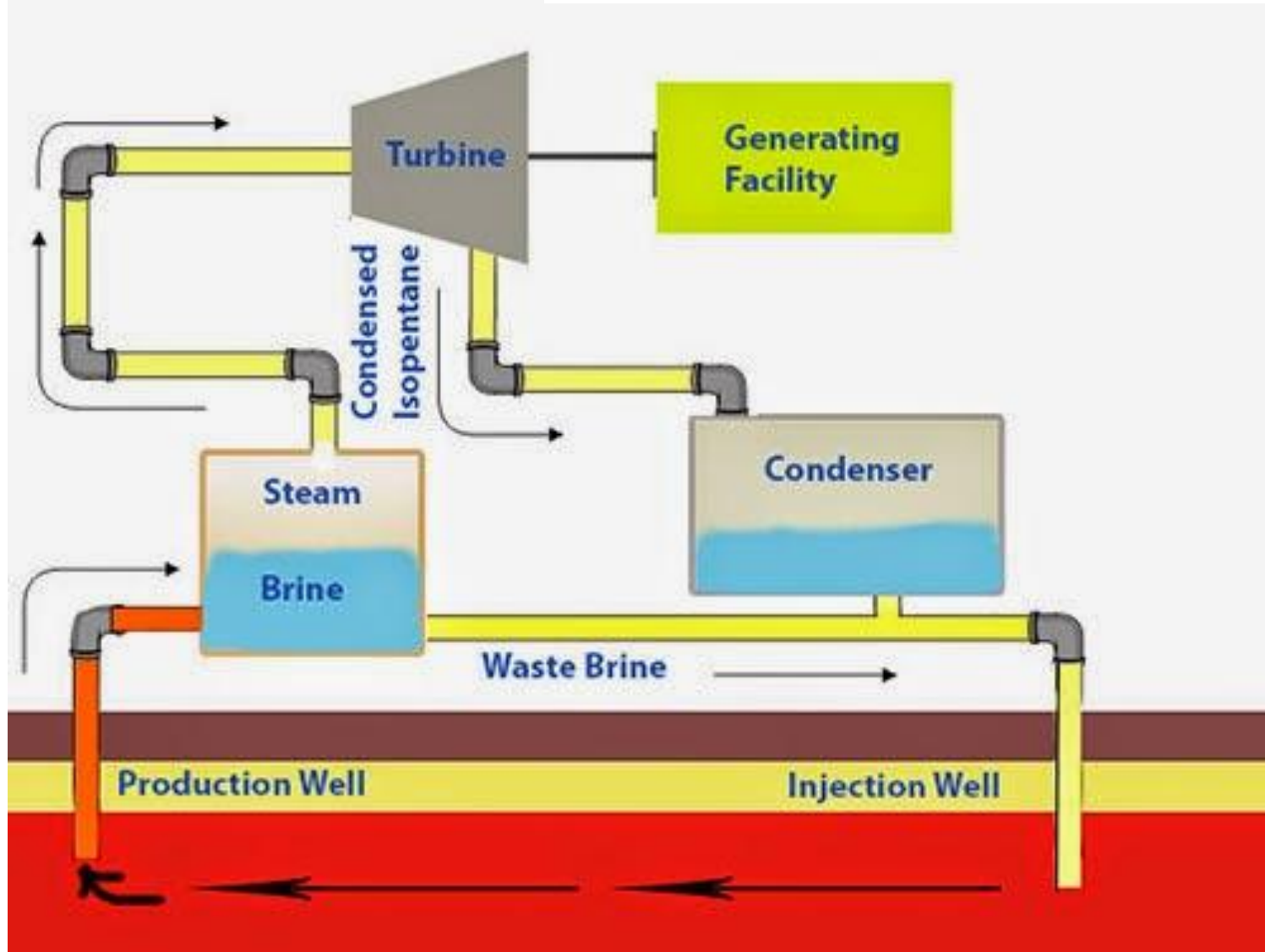
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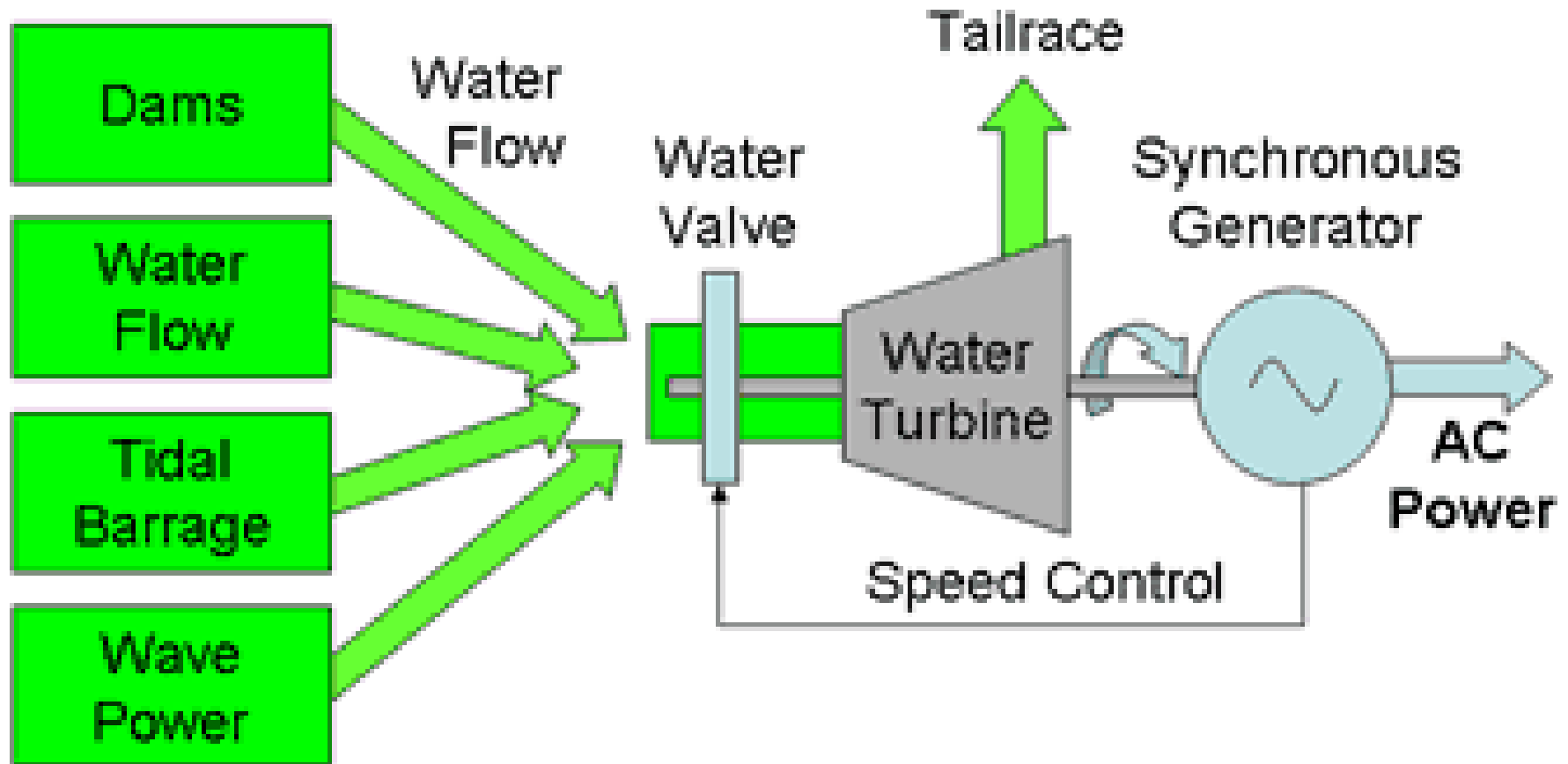
Schematics of a Natural Gas Power Station



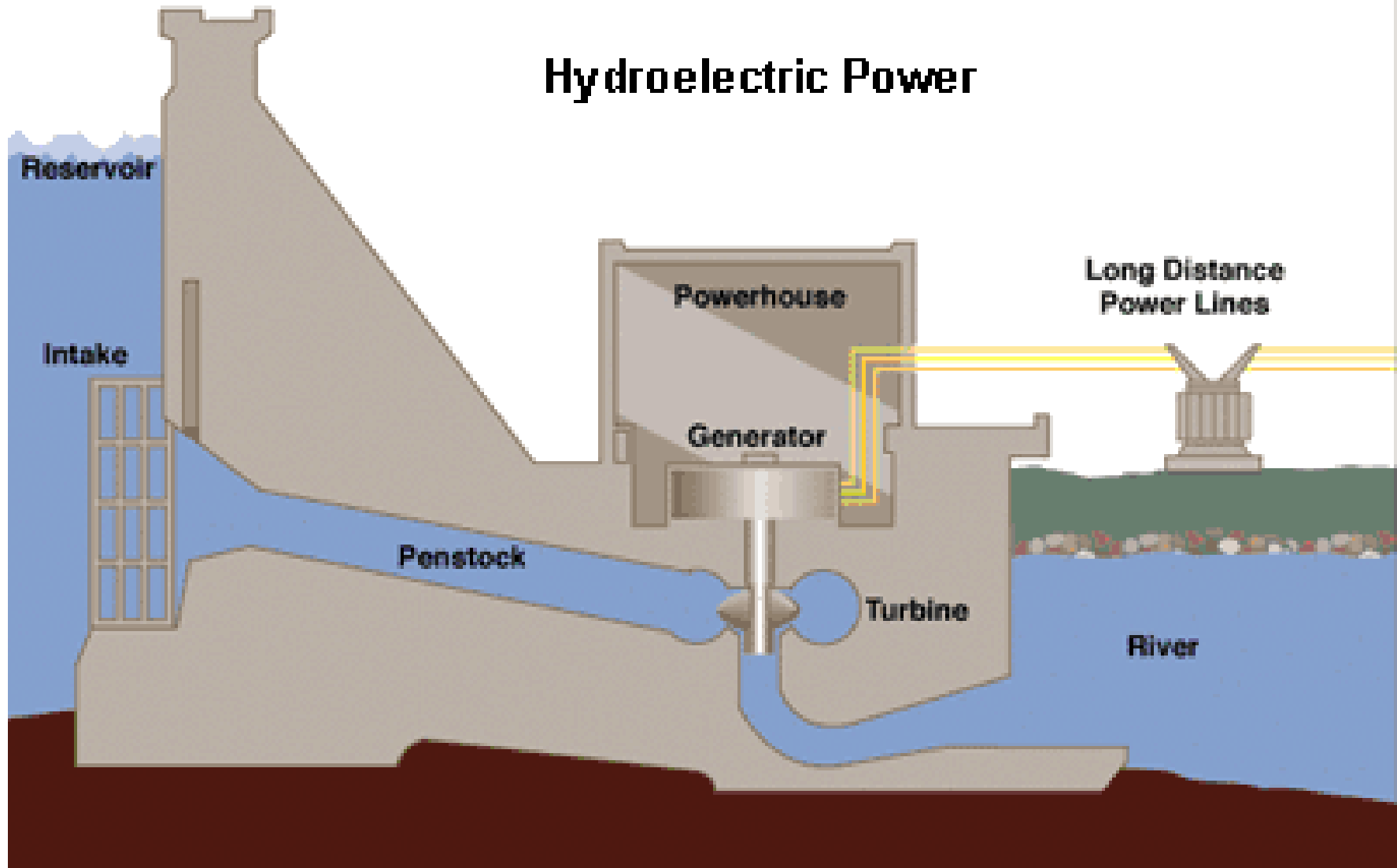
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Geothermal Power Plant



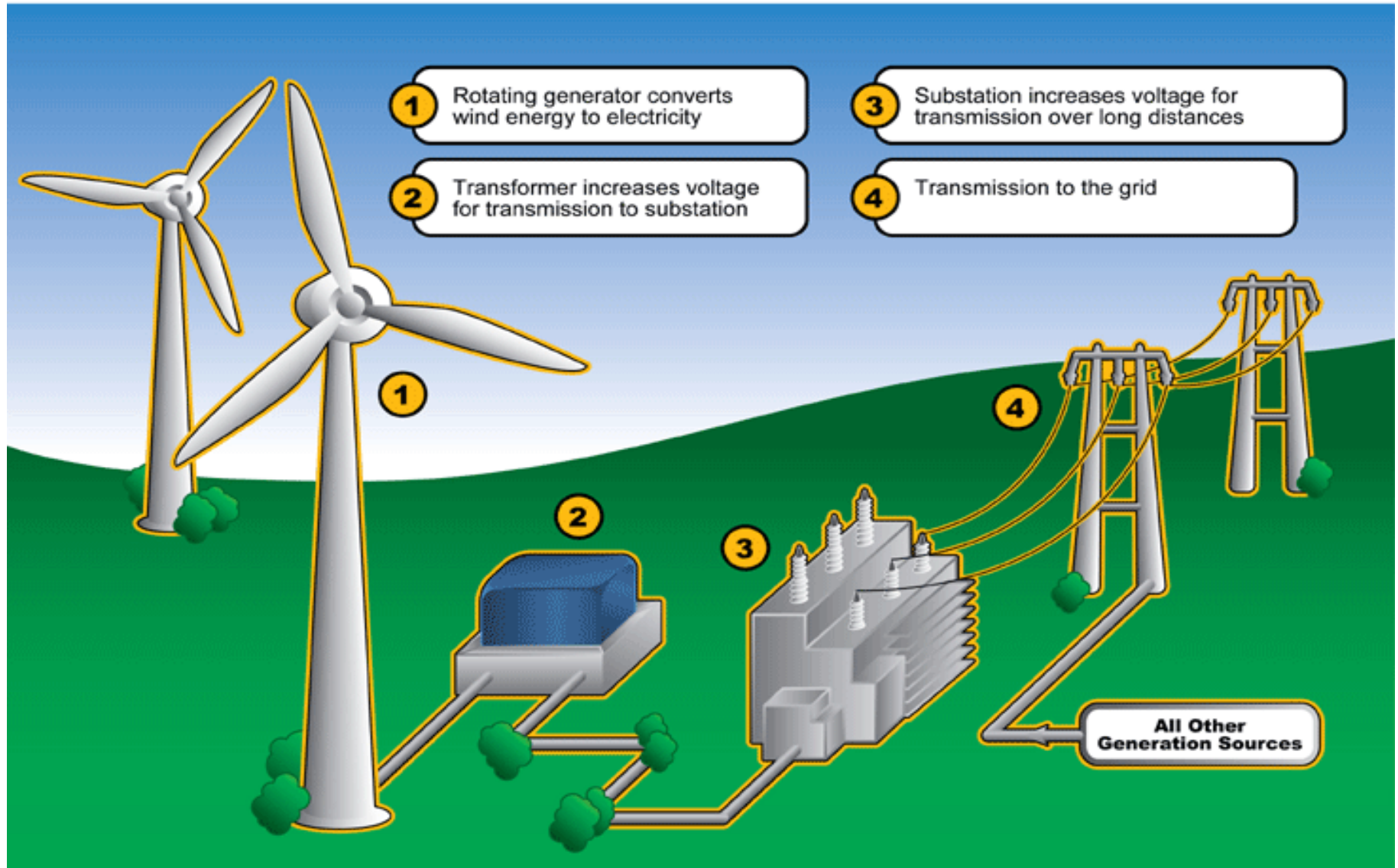


Hydro Electric Power Generation

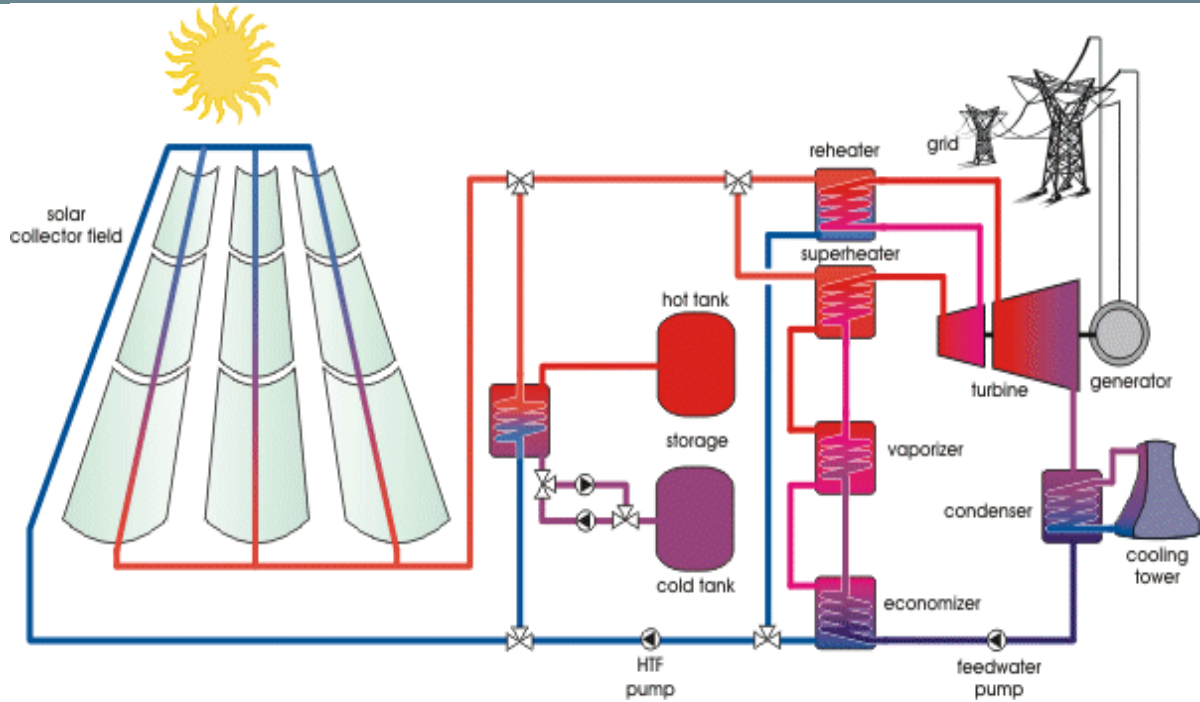


How Power Plants Work? Momentum Sources!

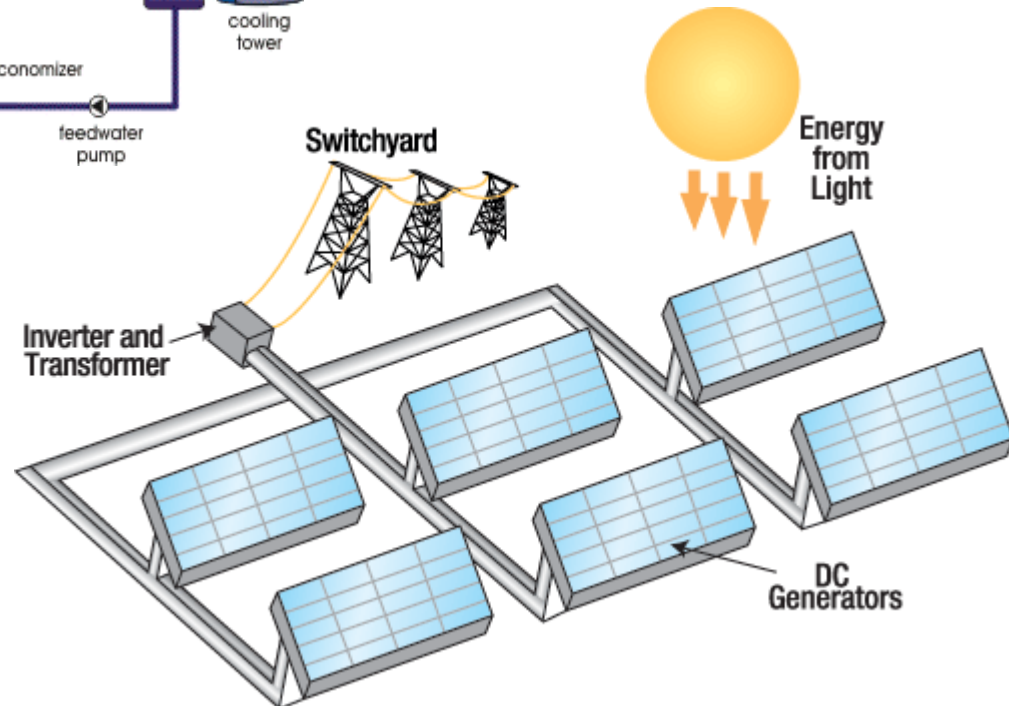
WIND



How Power Plants Work? And Solar?



➤ Heat Source: thermal radiation to boil water or;



➤ Photovoltaic (solar cells): direct conversion of the electromagnetic radiation from the Sun to electricity.

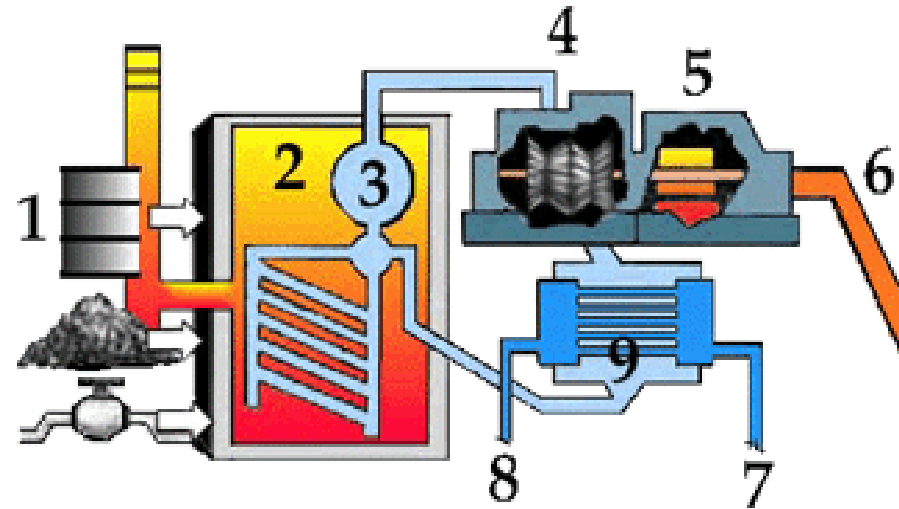
How Power Plants Work?

- The vast majority of power plants are based on elements of the following workflow:
 1. Generate heat;
 2. Boil water;
 3. Produced steam is used to turn a (set of) turbine(s);
 4. Turbines are linked with generator to;
 5. Produce **electricity**.

- We saw that:
 - Fossil fuels and nuclear: 1-5;
 - Hydro and wind: based on momentum transfer + 4-5;
 - Geothermal: underground heated water + 2-5;
 - Solar: (a) solar radiation + 2-5 or,
(b) photovoltaic cells + 5.

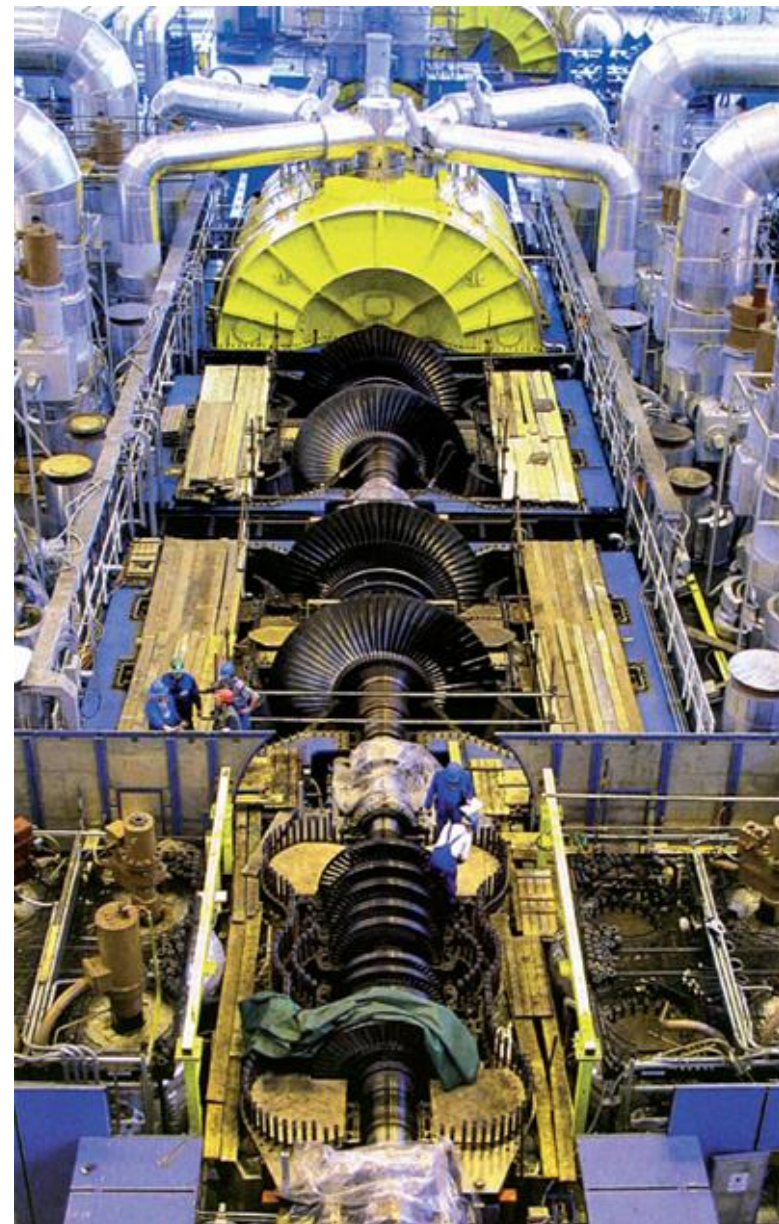
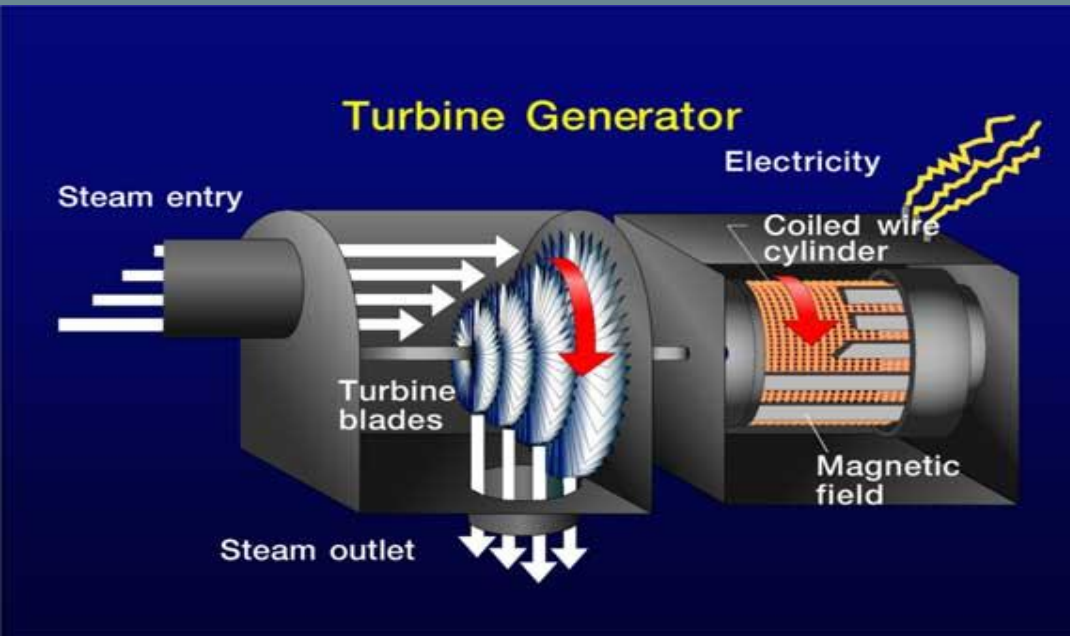
How Power Plants Work? (summary)

1. **Energy Source** (coal, oil, NG, nuclear, etc) is 'burnt' generating heat in the;
2. **Boiler**. Heat is transferred into the water-steam cycle (3-4-9-3);
3. **Steam** (at high temperature and pressure) produced by the water vaporisation is driven towards a;
4. **Steam turbine** that promotes an *isentropic expansion* and produces work;
5. The work is transferred to a **generator** responsible to produce;
6. **Electricity** that is linked to the power grid;
7. After the expansion (in the turbine), steam (low temperature and pressure) is driven into the **condenser** (9), where it is transformed in water and returns to the **Boiler** (2);



- System 7-8-9 comprises **condenser** and cooling waste water.

Power Plants: Turbine Generator



- Multiple energy sources: fossil-fuel, renewables, nuclear, etc;
- Demand and production of energy mix;
- Thermal and momentum energy sources;

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