### **Polymers from Monomers**

Monomer	Polymer
Ethylene	Polyethylene  H H H H H H  - C - C - C - C - C - C -  H H H H H H  H H H H H H
Propylene	Polypropylene
Vinyl Chloride	Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC)   H H H H H H   I I I I I   - C - C - C - C - C -   I I I I I   H Cl H Cl H Cl
Styrene  H H C = C H H C	Polystyrene  H H H H H H  - C - C - C - C - C - C -  H H H H H H  - L H H H H H  H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H H  - L H H H H  - L H H H H  - L H H H H  - L H H H H  - L H H H H  - L H H H H  - L H H H H  - L H H H H  - L H H H  - L H H H  - L H H H  - L H  - L H  - L H  - L H  - L H  - L H  - L H  - L H  - L H  - L H  - L
Acrylonitrile  H H I I C = C I I H CN	Polyacrylonitrile  H H H H H H  - C - C - C - C - C - C  H CN H CN H CN
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Vinyl Alcohol  H H I I C = C I I H OH	Polyvinyl Alcohol (PVA)  H H H H H H  -C - C - C - C - C - C -  I I I I I  H OH H OH H OH
Tetrafluoroethylene	Teflon (Polytetrafluoroethylene)  F F F F F F F F F F F F F F F F F F F



# Addition and Condensation Polymers

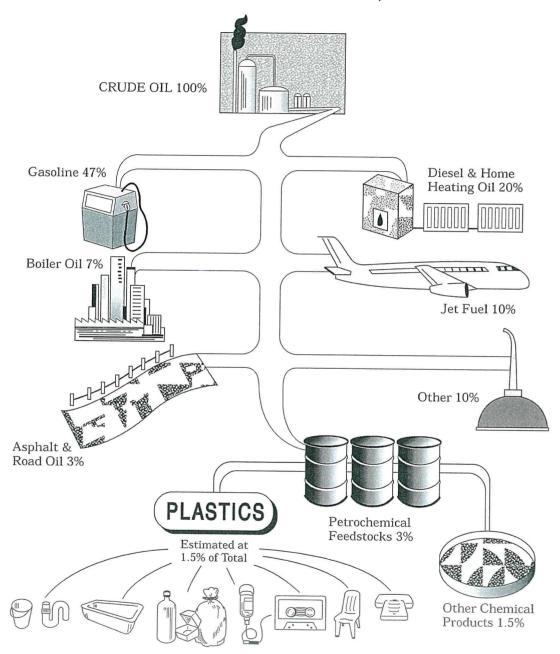
### **Addition Polymers**

Monomer	Polymer	Uses	
Ethylene	Polyethylene	Films, coatings, bottles, toys	
Propylene	Polypropylene	Fibers, films, bottles, lab equipment	
Vinyl chloride	Polyvinyl chloride (PVC)	Credit cards, phonograph records, floor tiles	
Styrene	Polystyrene Insulation, packing materials, coffee cups		
Acrylonitrile	Polyacrylonitrile Orlon, Acrilan, rug fibers		
Vinyl acetate	Polyvinyl acetate	Latex paints	
Methyl methacrylate	Polymethyl methacrylate	Glass substitutes, jewelry	
Vinyl alcohol	Polyvinyl alcohol (PVA) Glues		
Tetrafluoroethylene	Polytetrafluoroethylene Heat-resistant coatings		

#### **Condensation Polymers**

Monomer	Polymer	Uses
Adipic acid, hexamethylene diamine	Nylon	Fibers, bearings
Orthophthalic acid, glycerine	Alkyd resins	Paints
Toluene diisocyanate, ethylene glycol	Polyurethane	Foam plastic, insulation
Dimethyl terephthalate, ethylene glycol	Dacron polyester Mylar	Fibers, plastic bottles

#### From Crude Oil to Plastics, I



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration,  $Petroleum\ Supply\ Annuals$ 



#### From Crude Oil to Plastics, II

Most crude oil is turned into fuel for transportation. Less than 2 % is used as feedstock in making plastics. Here's a breakdown of all the ways the United States uses crude oil.

GASOLINE

Of all the crude oil refined for use in the United States, almost half (47%) becomes

gasoline for automobiles, boats and other gasoline-driven motors.

JET FUEL

Airplanes consume 10%, in the form of jet fuel.

DIESEL FUEL AND HOME HEATING

Another 20% becomes distillate, two-thirds of which is diesel fuel for trucks, buses and other diesel engines, and one-third home heating oil.

BOILER OIL

Boiler oil, or residual fuel oil, which makes up 7% of crude oil consumption, is used

on ships, in industrial boilers and in power plants to produce electricity.

ASPHALT AND ROAD OIL

Asphalt and road oil account for 3% of crude oil consumption.

OTHER

Some of the crude oil, about 10%, is used as non-energy feedstocks for manufacturing products such as lubricants, wax, coke for steel making, and naphthas that are used

in the drycleaning process.

PETROCHEMICAL FEEDSTOCKS Petrochemical feedstocks, products of the refining process, make up the

remaining 3% of all crude oil consumption. Half are used to make PLASTICS (1.5% of the total) for thousands of items such as tableware, furniture, aircraft and automobile parts, luggage, surfboards, helmets, medical supplies and packaging. The remaining 1.5% is used to make products such as solvents, synthetic fibers for

wearing apparel, synthetic rubber, paints and coatings.

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION Plastics bring about savings in energy use. For example, parts for cars

and trucks are increasingly made of plastic to reduce their weight, and that means better fuel economy. Plastics packaging and other plastic products usually weigh less

than their alternatives, and this saves fuel in shipping.

## **Plastic Container Code System for Plastic Bottles**

	Code	Material
	PETE	Polyethylene terephthalate (PET)*
	HDPE	High-density polyethylene
3	V	Vinyl/polyvinyl chloride (PVC)*
	LDPE	Low-density polyethylene
5	PP	Polypropylene
6	PS	Polystyrene
<b>₹</b> 7	Other	All other resins and layered multimaterial

 $<sup>^{</sup>st}$  Stand alone bottle code is different from standard industry identification to avoid confusion with registered trademarks.