

The Global Oil Addiction

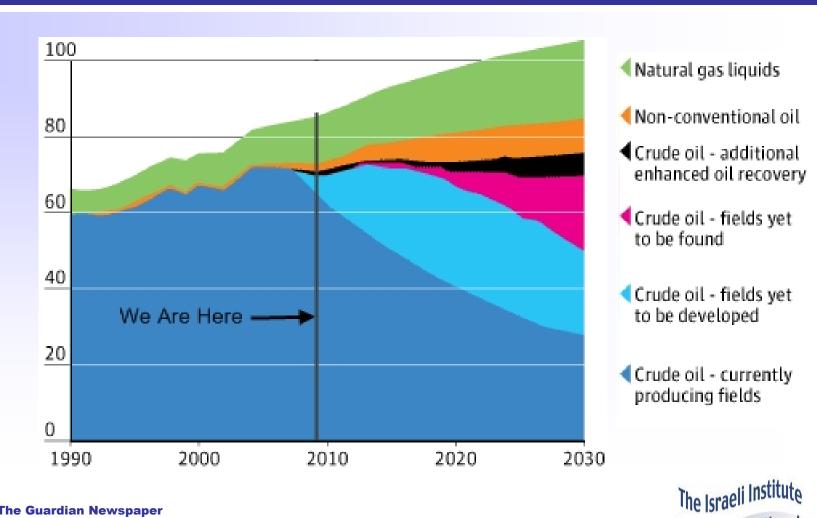
Some Facts

Israel's security = Eliminate oil addiction

- The first strategic priority of Israel's defense policy is to minimize US dependency on oil
- The second priority of Israel's defense policy is to minimize the world's dependency on oil

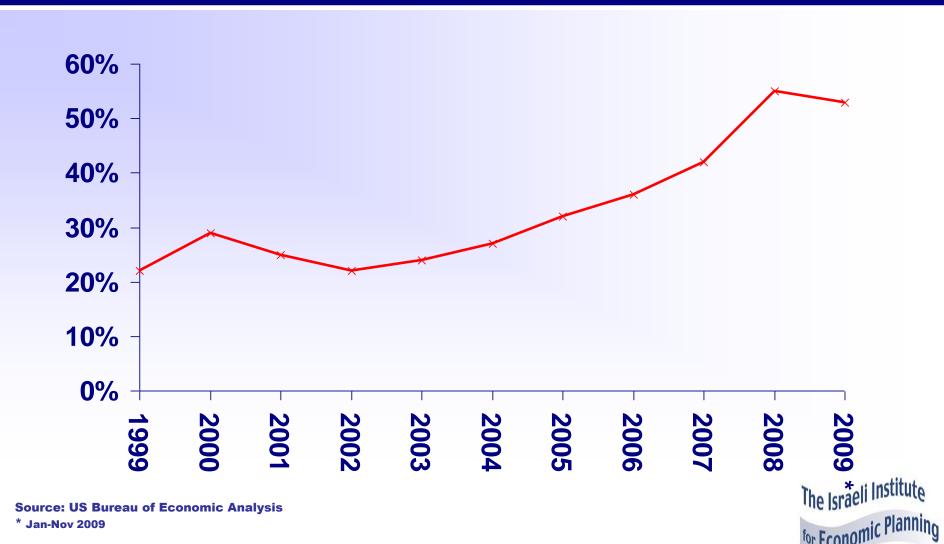


IEA forecast of global all-oil production, mbd





US: Oil share of goods & services trade deficit



Oil and the US Defense Budget

More than 50% of the US defense issues are oil related:

- Protecting the "Oil States"
 (e.g., the Gulf War, Iraq)
- Protecting the "Oil Routes" (Navy)
- War on Terror (Radical Islam)



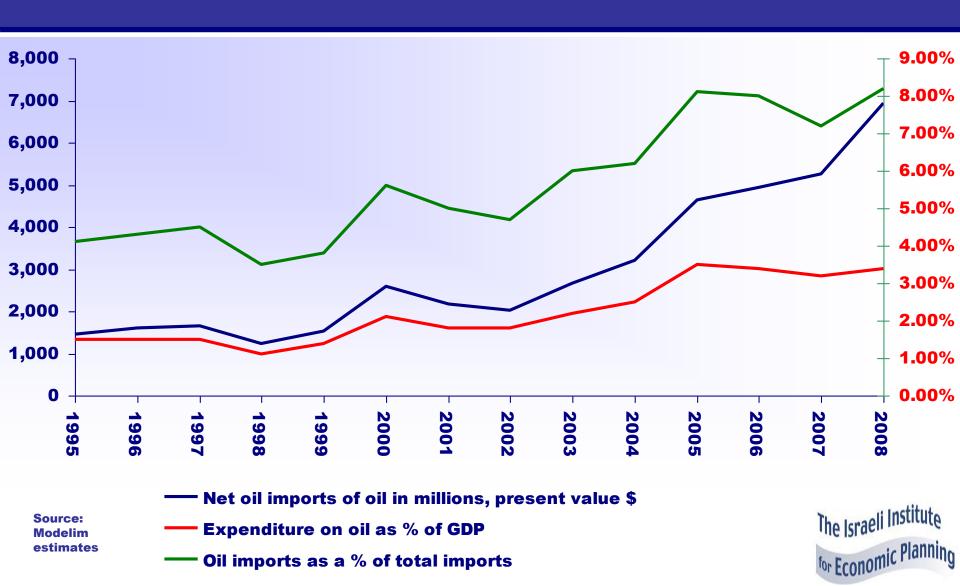
Oil Prices and Recession

Every major recession in the last 40 years was preceded by a rise in oil prices.

Can the US/world come out of the recession when oil is 80\$?



Israel: Oil share of GDP



Africa: Oil share of trade deficit

Country	Fuel Imports as % of current account balance
Kenya	-174%
Senegal	-90%
Tanzania	-85%
Uganda	-124%
Mali	-83%

Source: Development Indicators, World Bank, 2007



What is the best way to reduce US oil dependency?

Nuclear

Wind

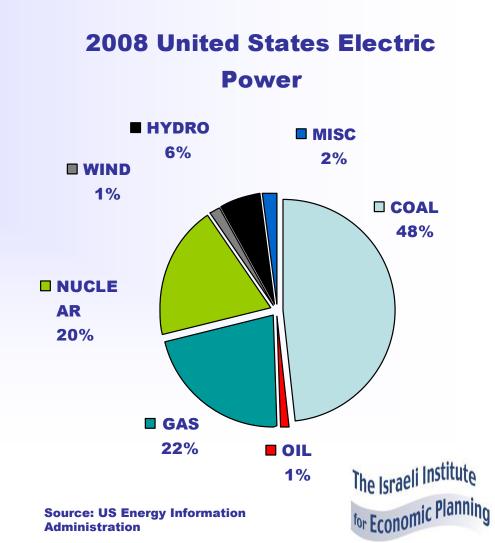
Solar

None of the above



Oil is hardly used (1%) to generate electricity

If the US replaced all of its coal based electricity with nuclear, wind or solar... it would not reduce its oil dependency by a single gallon.

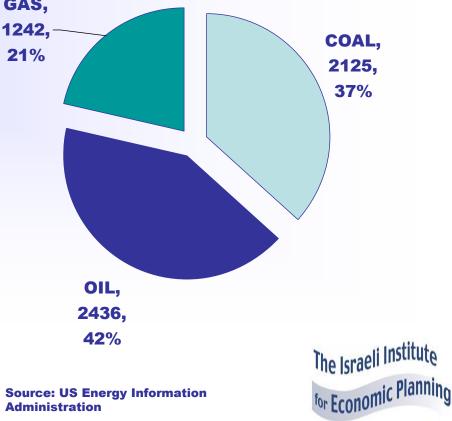


What is the largest source of CO₂ in the US?

Coal or Oil?

It is oil





Source: US Energy Information Administration

Distorted Priorities

The US Stimulus Bill allocated \$64
billion to electricity/coal related
energy (like CCS, wind and solar) and
only \$3 billion to oil replacement
issues.

• If our goal is to reduce CO2 emissions, why aren't we attacking the larger source?

Death Tolls - A Comparison

Deaths as result of oil related wars (last 35 years)-

6- 6.7 million

 Possible deaths as result of oil related wars (next 20 years)-

100 million

 Possible deaths as result of global warming (next 20-50-80 years)-

Hard to determine, but according to IPCC the severe impact will happen in 50-80 years

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A Question of Priorities

Putting Climate Change *ahead of* eliminating the strategic value of oil ... it is like a physician telling a 25 year old...

"You have brain tumor and without treatment you will die in three years. However, we will not do anything about it. Instead you should take medicine to reduce your cholesterol."



We have a brain tumor

It is called global oil dependency:

- It ruins our economy
- It funds radical Islam
- It kills millions today and most likely will be the cause of a new world war

It is time to get our priorities right



Drill, baby, drill?

The United States:

- Uses 23% of world oil supply
- Has 3% of the world's oil reserves
- Most likely production costs of new US oil findings at \$50-100 /barrel

OPEC:

- 79% of the world's oil reserves
- Production costs under \$10 /barrel



Save - efficiency - CAFE

- If the US will implement the current CAFE standards, its oil consumption in 2030 will be a few percent lower than today
- Yes we should improve efficiency (and faster), but we cannot save our way off oil
- Smoking 18 cigarettes a day instead of 20 is marginal – we need to quit smoking altogether

What is the increase of OPEC production since 1973?

100%

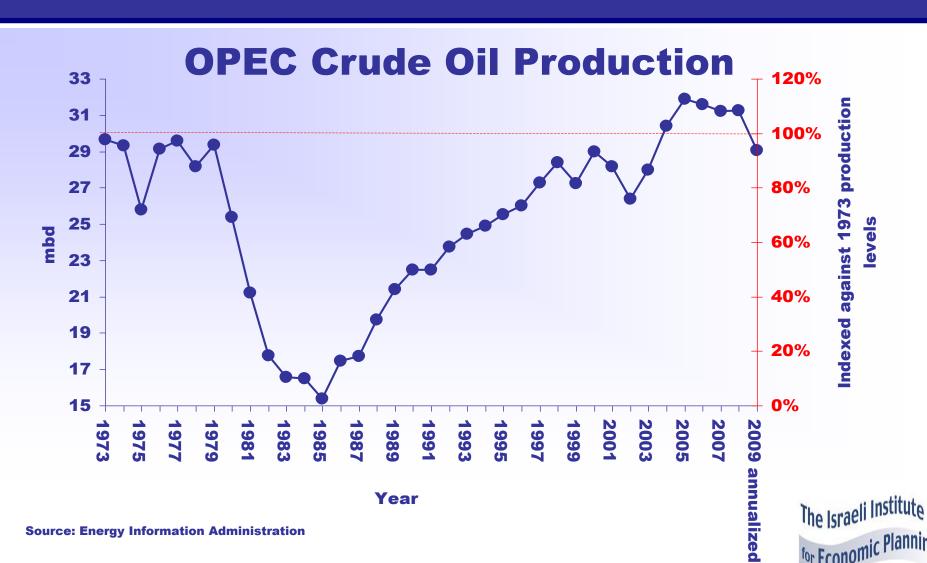
• 50%

20%

• **-2**%

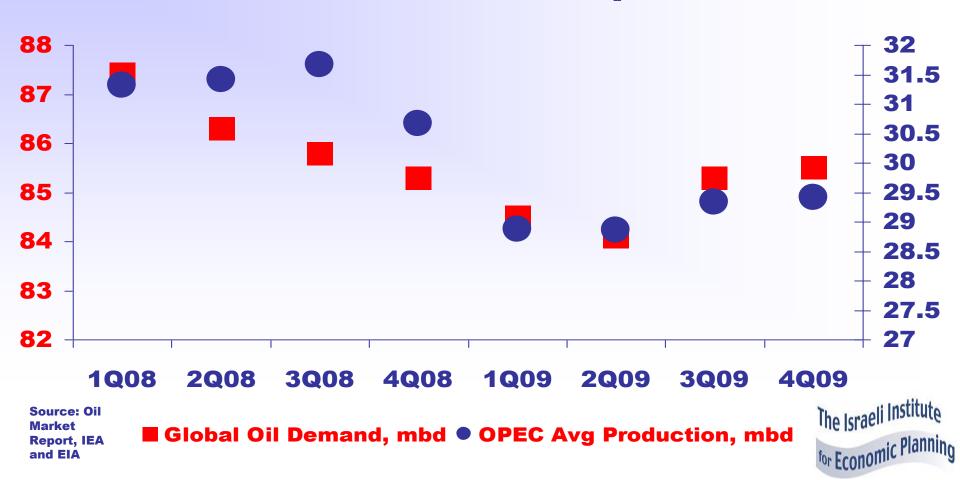


OPEC since 1973- Controlling Oil Supply (and prices)



What happened in 2008?

Demand falls... OPEC cuts production



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Summary

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Food vs. Fuel

One of the best false PR campaigns in history



Guess who said this?

"Ethanol and other biofuels do not meet environmental and energy security goals... their cultivation eats into the human food supply, reduces the absorption of carbon dioxide as forests are cut down, has not improved the security of energy supply and has not reduced petrol prices... we have to look beyond biofuels... and concentrate instead on truly renewable sources of energy," he said, flagging solar energy as "perhaps the best source"

Ali Al-Naimi

Saudi Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources at the International Oil Summit '



Biofuels- Good for oil or Bad for oil?

The US no longer produces electricity from oil. Whereas biofuels:

- Directly displace oil
- Snatch petrodollars from the Saudi coffers

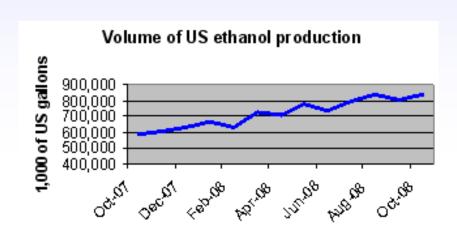
Merrill Lynch Commodity Strategist Francisco Blanch:

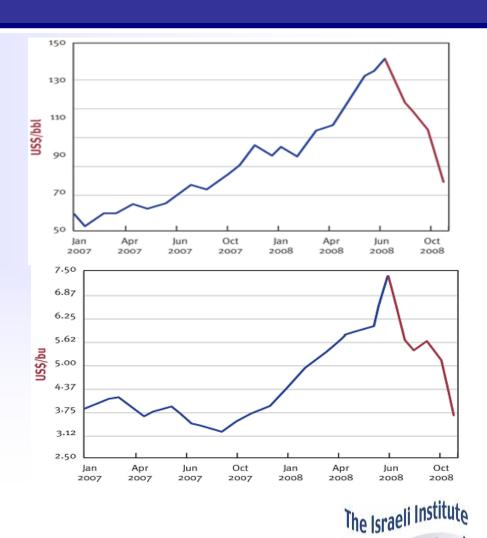
Without biofuels, the price of oil would be about 15% higher than

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It's the OIL - not the Ethanol.

Higher commodity prices (like corn) are driven by OIL prices, not Ethanol production volumes!





Sources: NYMEX, USDA, RFA

The campaign against biofuels

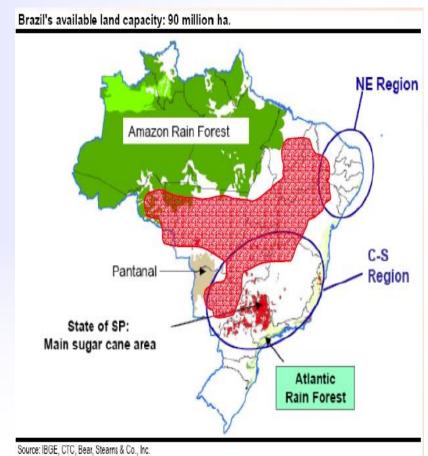
The Lie:

"Growing biofuels destroys the rainforests"



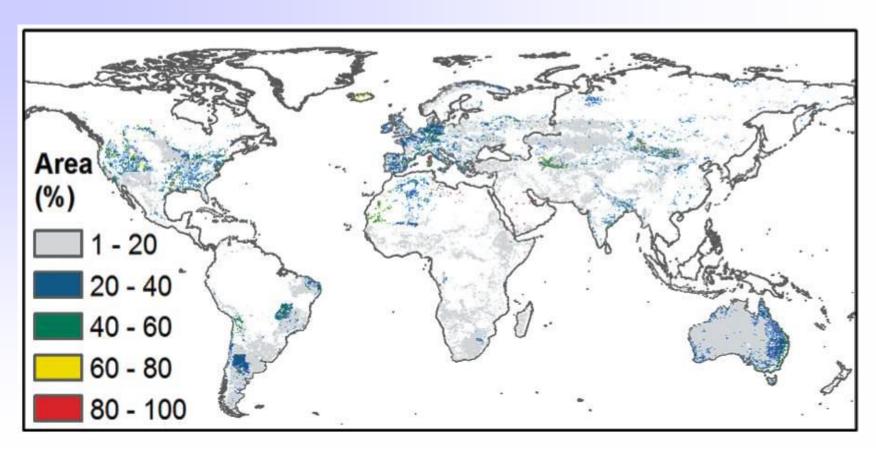
The Truth- Growing biofuels does not destroy the rainforests

- Brazil has substituted over 50% of what would be its gasoline consumption with ethanol sugarcane
- Should Brazil double its ethanol production, this would take up 3.3% of its total agricultural land
- This land is not the Amazon
- In fact, you cannot grow sugarcane in the Amazon



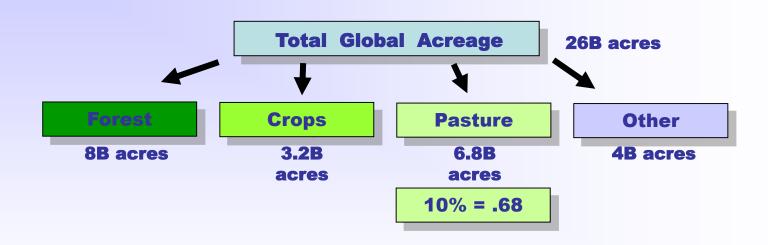


A Billion Acres Of Abandoned Agricultural Land





Not Enough Land For Biomass?

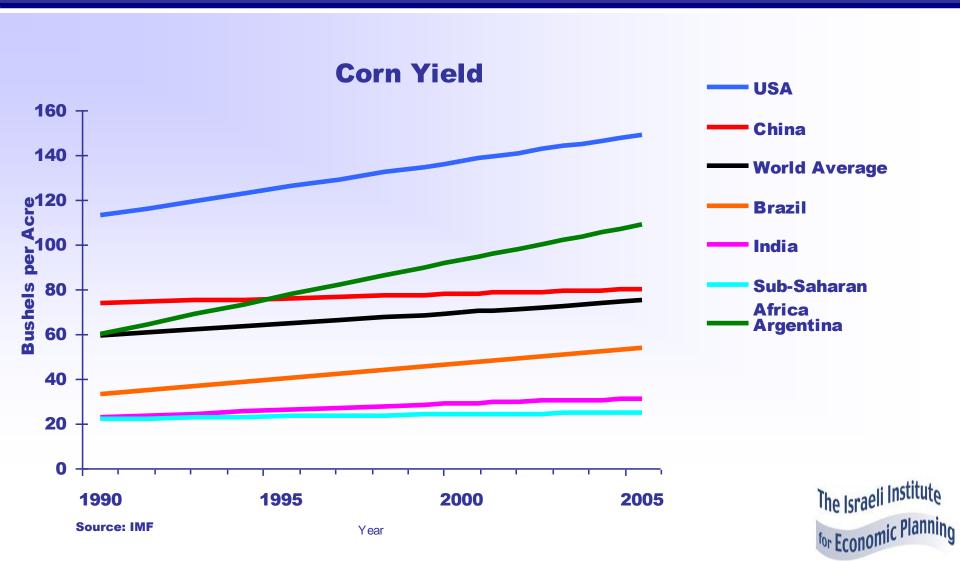


0.675 B acres x 20 t/ac x 2.38 B / t

= 88M barrels per day



Varying regional yields are barriers to meeting food demand



Historically, food is not expensive

