

Overview of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Bioenergy Technologies Office (BETO) and its National Laboratories

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IEA Bioenergy Task 45: Triennium 2019-2021 Work area interests and potential contributions

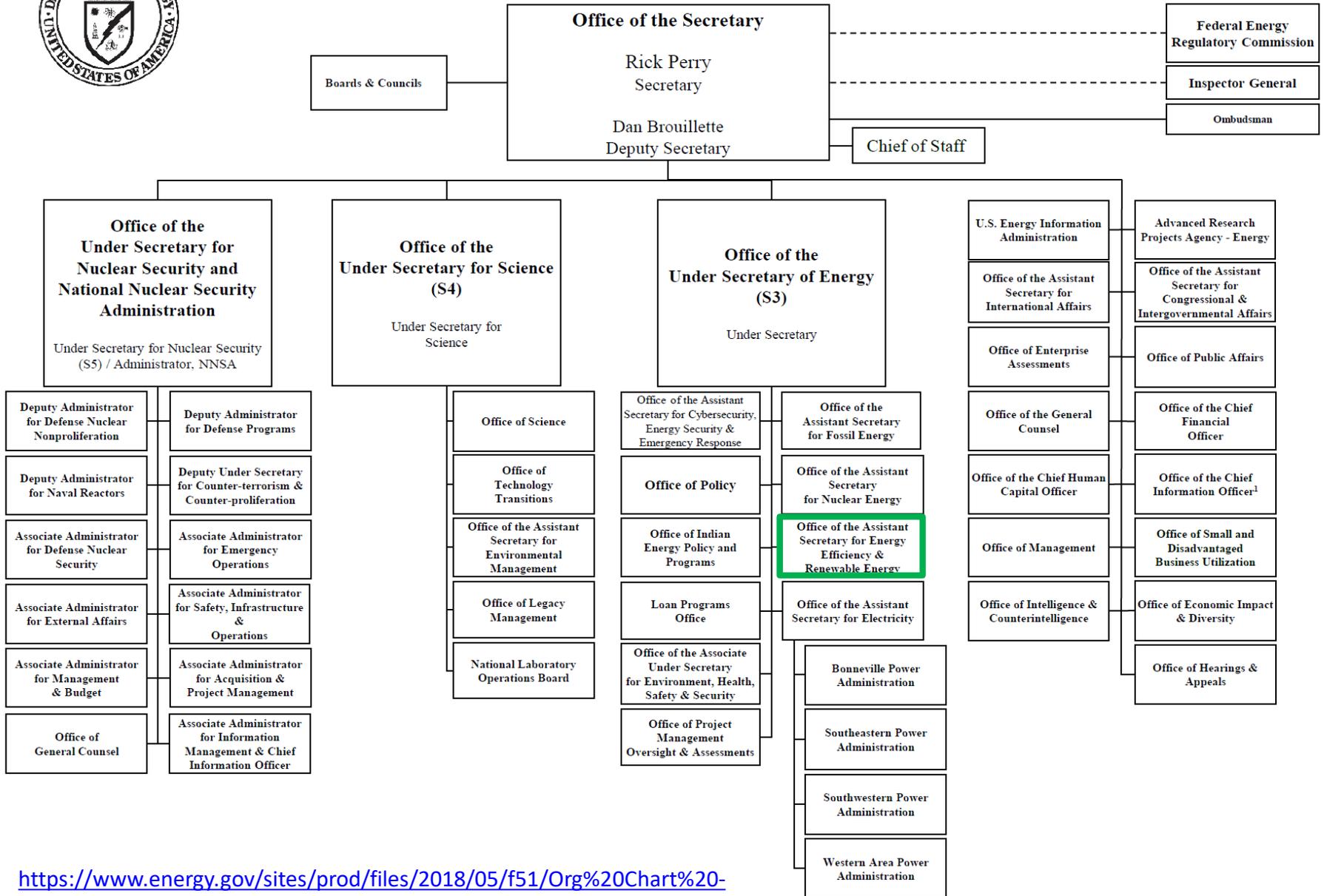


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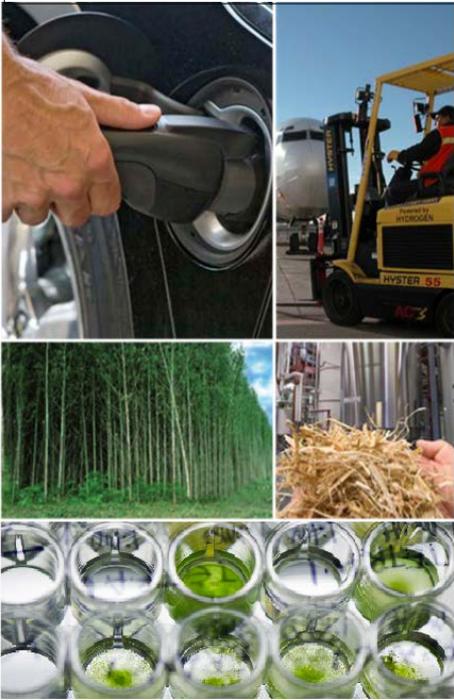


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Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)

Sustainable TRANSPORTATION

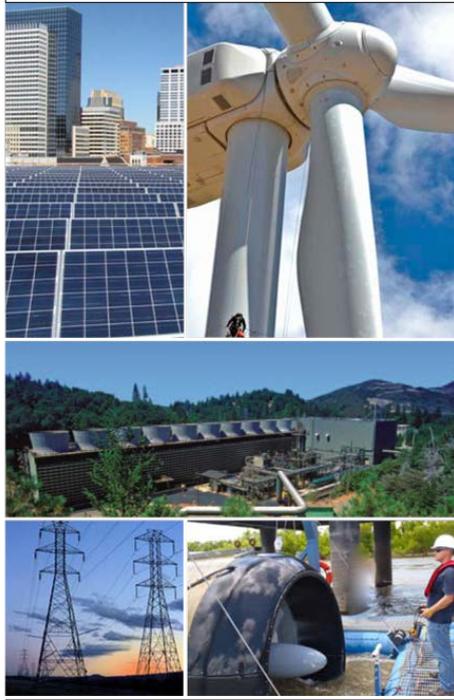
Office of Transportation



- Vehicle Technologies Office
- Fuel Cell Technologies Office
- Bioenergy Technologies Office**

Renewable ELECTRICITY GENERATION

Office of Renewable Power



- Geothermal Techn. Office
- Solar Energy Techn. Office
- Wind Energy Techn. Office
- Water Power Techn. Office

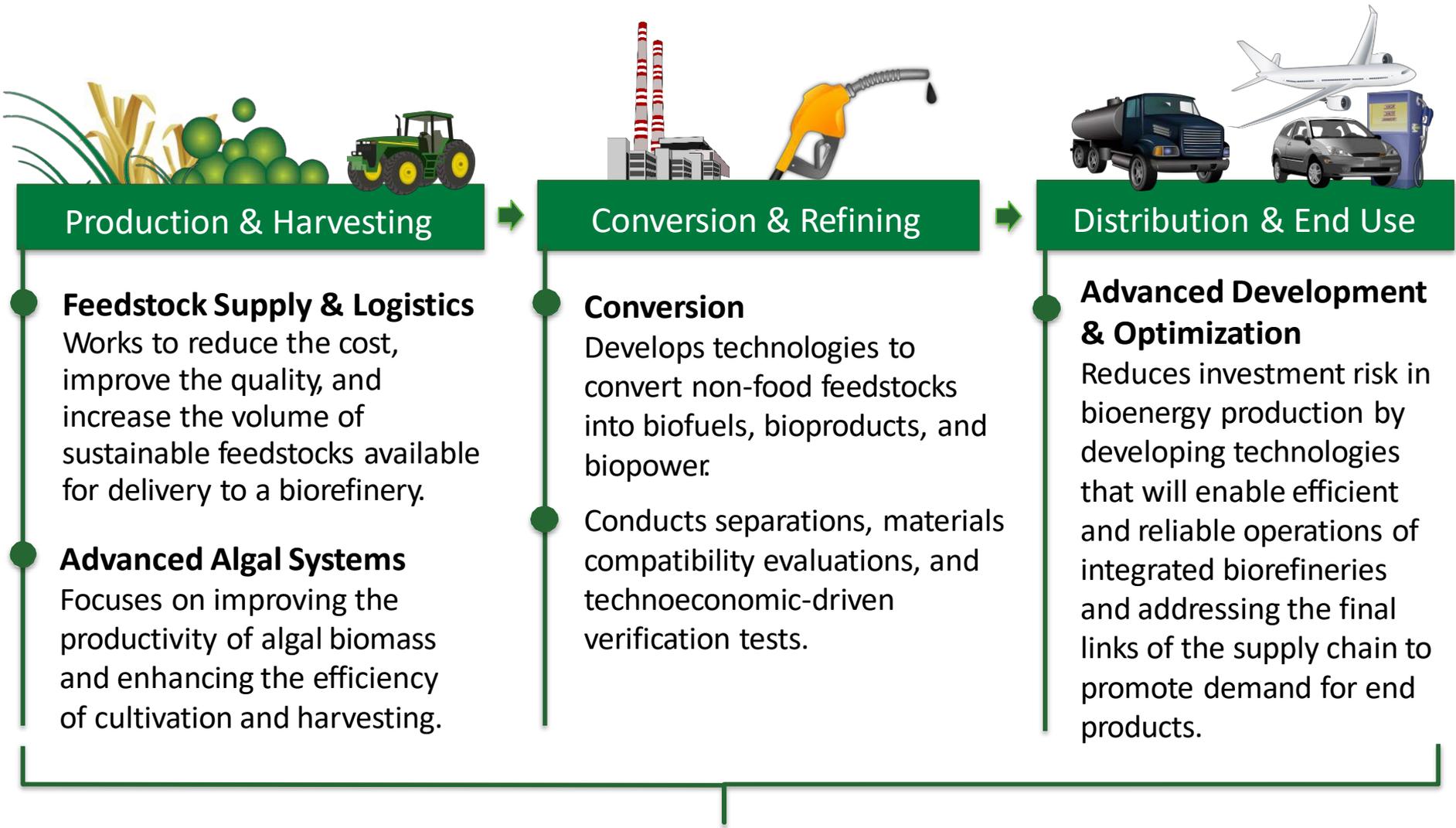
Energy Saving HOMES, BUILDINGS, & MANUFACTURING

Office of Energy Efficiency



- Advanced Manufacturing O.
- Building Technologies Office
- Fed. Energy Mgmt Program
- Intergovernmental, etc.

BETO's Critical Program Areas



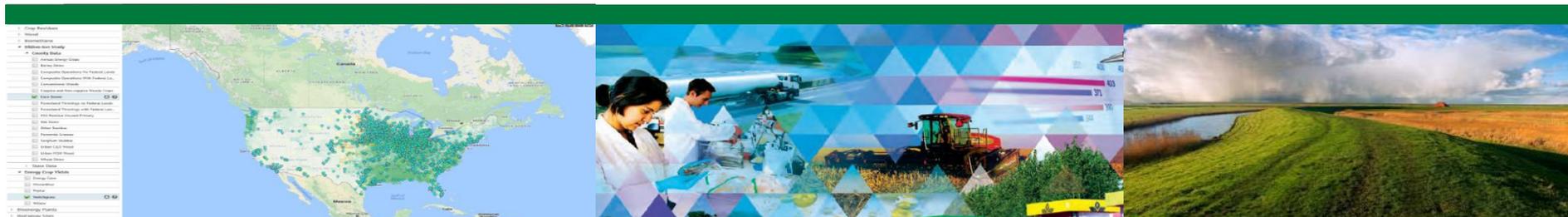
Strategic Analysis & Crosscutting Sustainability

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Strategic Goal: *to understand and enhance the **positive economic, social, and environmental effects** and **reduce potential negative impacts** of bioenergy production activities.*

Approaches:

- Develop and maintain analytical tools, models, methods, and datasets to support science-based quantification and improved decision-making
- Ensure high-quality, consistent, reproducible, peer-reviewed analyses
- Research and develop sustainable system designs that increase bioenergy production while enhancing economic and environmental outcomes
- Ensure broad engagement with other agencies and stakeholders



Enhancing the economic and environmental benefits of a growing bioeconomy.

Interagency efforts: U.S. Biomass R&D Board

- The Biomass Research and Development Act of 2000 established the Interagency **Biomass R&D Board**.
- The BR&D Board facilitates coordination among federal government agencies that affect the research, development, and deployment of biofuels and bioproducts.

Membership

Senate-confirmed sub-cabinet officials from 8 executive branch agencies



The image displays the logos of the eight executive branch agencies that serve on the U.S. Biomass R&D Board. The logos are arranged in three rows. The top row features the Department of Energy (a circular seal with an eagle and a shield) and the USDA (the letters 'USDA' above a green field). Below the Department of Energy logo is the text 'Co-chair'. The middle row contains the Environmental Protection Agency (a circular seal with a flower), the Department of Transportation (a circular seal with a stylized 'D' and 'T'), and the Department of the Navy (a circular seal with an eagle and a ship). The bottom row includes the U.S. Department of the Interior (a circular seal with a bison), the NSF (a gear-shaped logo with a globe), and the Executive Office of the President of the United States (a circular seal with an eagle and a shield).

Co-chair

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Biomass Research & Development Board



“Realizing the full benefits of the bioeconomy requires commitment to rigorous science-based quantification of benefits and impacts across multiple environmental, social, and economic dimensions.

This will enable the development of technologies and practices that deliver the benefits of renewable energy and the bioeconomy, while maintaining healthy communities and natural ecosystems.”

U.S. DOE National Laboratory System



Office of Science Laboratories

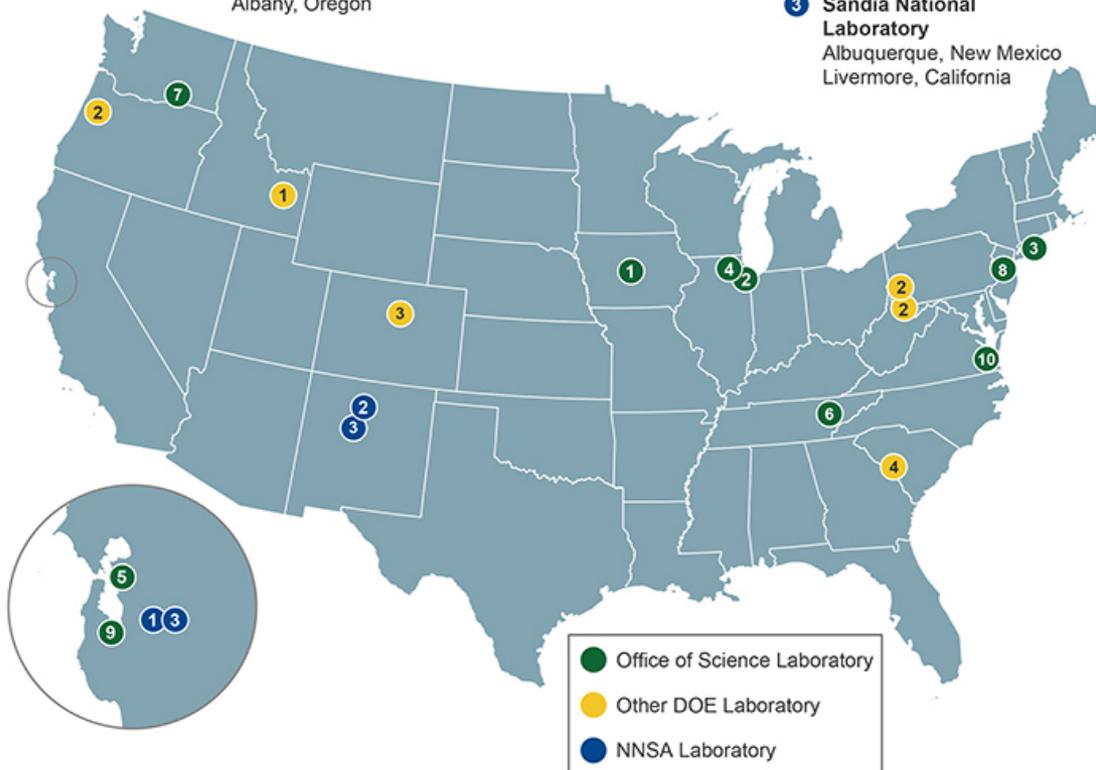
- 1 Ames Laboratory
Ames, Iowa
- 2 Argonne National Laboratory
Argonne, Illinois
- 3 Brookhaven National Laboratory
Upton, New York
- 4 Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory
Batavia, Illinois
- 5 Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
Berkeley, California
- 6 Oak Ridge National Laboratory
Oak Ridge, Tennessee
- 7 Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
Richland, Washington
- 8 Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory
Princeton, New Jersey
- 9 SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory
Menlo Park, California
- 10 Thomas Jefferson National Accelerator Facility
Newport News, Virginia

Other DOE Laboratories

- 1 Idaho National Laboratory
Idaho Falls, Idaho
- 2 National Energy Technology Laboratory
Morgantown, West Virginia
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Albany, Oregon
- 3 National Renewable Energy Laboratory
Golden, Colorado
- 4 Savannah River National Laboratory
Aiken, South Carolina

NNSA Laboratories

- 1 Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
Livermore, California
- 2 Los Alamos National Laboratory
Los Alamos, New Mexico
- 3 Sandia National Laboratory
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Livermore, California



BETO A&S support:

- ANL
 - INL
 - NREL
 - ORNL
 - PNNL
- ❖ NREL-Systems Integration (SI)

Map: <https://science.energy.gov/laboratories/> ; Pictures: <https://www.energy.gov>

More information: <https://www.energy.gov/national-laboratories>

NREL-Systems Integration (NREL-SI)

- Independent, strategic, systems-level expertise to BETO Portfolio Management
 - Technical Evaluation (Lead: Craig Brown)
 - Systems-Level Planning (Lead: Amy Schwab)
 - **Systems-Level Analysis** (Lead: Patrick Lamers)
- Systems-Level Analysis Tasks
 - **Direct support** of A&S program management (Kristen Johnson, Alicia Lindauer)
 - **Quick turn-around** / integration support and analysis for A&S portfolio
 - Focused, **in-depth analysis** on pre-defined, select topics
- Cross-supply chain, cross-program, cross-sector
- **Close operating partnership with BETO**
- Independent, **arms-length relationships with national labs** (incl. NREL)



NREL



NREL at a Glance

- 1,850** Employees, plus more than **600** early-career researchers and visiting scientists
- World-class** facilities, renowned technology experts
- nearly 820** Partnerships with industry, academia, and government
- Campus** operates as a living laboratory
- \$1.1B** annually National economic impact

NREL Core Capabilities: Foundation for Innovation

- System Integration**
 - Systems Engineering and Integration
 - Large-Scale User Facilities
- Innovation and Application**
 - Biological and Bioprocess Engineering
 - Chemical Engineering
 - Mechanical Design and Engineering
 - Power Systems and Electrical Engineering
- Foundational Knowledge**
 - Applied Materials Science and Engineering
 - Biological Systems Science
 - Chemical and Molecular Science
- Crosscutting**
 - Advanced Computer Science, Visualization, and Data
 - Decision Science and Analysis



NREL's Science Drives Innovation

- Renewable Power**
 - Solar
 - Wind
 - Water
 - Geothermal
- Sustainable Transportation**
 - Bioenergy
 - Vehicle Technologies
 - Hydrogen
- Energy Efficiency**
 - Buildings
 - Advanced Manufacturing
 - Government Energy Management
- Energy Systems Integration**
 - High-Performance Computing
 - Data and Visualizations

IEA Bioenergy Task 45

Country: United States

| Name | Role in Task 45* | Affiliation | Expertise; previous Task involvement |
|-----------------|------------------|--|--|
| Kristen Johnson | NTL | U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Bioenergy Technologies Office (BETO) | DOE BETO Program Lead Crosscutting Sustainability Previous U.S. NTL Task 38 |
| Patrick Lamers | NTL alternate | NREL-Systems Integration (NREL-SI) | DOE BETO Analysis & Sustainability Program Support Previous alternate NTL for Tasks 38 & 40 |

* Roles: TL=Task Leader; WPL=WP Leader; NTL=National Team Leader; A=Associate

Interest Task 45 WP1

| Work Package 1 | Role* | Relevant projects/programs in country or own organization |
|---|-------|---|
| Topic 1: StandMeth Update | C | Previous Task 38 work, ongoing LCA work at ANL & NREL |
| Topic 2: StandMeth Expansion, system-level approaches | C | Ongoing work at ANL & NREL |
| Topic 3: Top-down/bottom-up | C | Related work on top-down/bottom-up comparison at NREL & PNNL (energy systems more broadly) |
| Topic 4: Case studies | O | |
| Topic 5: Guide on tools | C | Provision of data on U.S. tools in conjunction with U.S. national labs (relates to previous Intertask on LCA tool comparison) |
| Topic 6: Specific studies on | | |
| 6a: CC effects of land-use | O | |
| 6b: Optimize land carbon | O/C | (new work starting at LLNL, ORNL, NREL; potential future input) |
| 6c: Circular economy LCA | C | Ongoing work at multiple national labs including NREL & ANL |
| 6d: Quantify risk & uncertainty | O | |

* Roles: O=observer; C=contributor; L=leader

Interest Task 45 WP2

| Work Package 2 | Role* | Relevant projects/programs in country or own organization |
|---|-------|--|
| Topic 1: Measure sustainability | C | ORNL (sustainability criteria and indicators) |
| Topic 2: Model LUC | O | PNNL (GCAM), Purdue (GTAP) |
| Topic 3: Spatio-temporal tools for environmental impacts | O/C | ANL (ecosystem services), INL (landscape design), ORNL (Antares project), PNNL (forest landscapes) |
| Topic 4: Spatio-temporal tools for socio-economic impacts | O/C | (contribution pending final scope and applicable DOE project) |
| Topic 5: Monitor sustainability indicators | O/C | ORNL (sustainability criteria and indicators) |
| Topic 6: Uncertainty | O | |
| Topic 7: sustainable land use planning | O/C | ANL (ecosystem services), INL (landscape design), ORNL (Antares) |
| Topic 8: bioeconomy net effects | C | NREL (LCA based Bioeconomy Environmentally-extended Input-Output Model: BEIOM; Jobs and Economic Development Impact model: JEDI) |
| Topic 9: Trade offs, stakeholder perspectives | O | |

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Interest Task 45 WP3

| Work Package 3 | Role* | Relevant projects/programs in country or own organization |
|-----------------|-------|---|
| All topic areas | O | |

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Interest inter-Task activities

| Inter-Task project & joint Task activities* | Role** | Relevant projects/programs in country or own organization |
|---|--------|---|
| WB2/SDG | O | Interest and related work starting at LLNL, NREL, ORNL. Potential future contribution given synergy between intertask scope and U.S. DOE BETO project work. |
| ResGas | - | |
| BECCS/U | O | Interest and related work starting at LLNL, NREL, ORNL. Potential future contribution given synergy between intertask scope and project work. |
| ASA | C | Related work at NREL; will engage other national labs depending on specific action items |

* WB2/SDG; ResGas; BECCS/U; ASA

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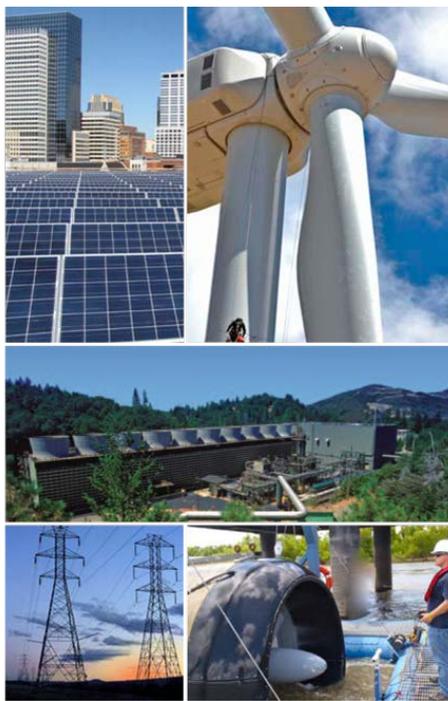
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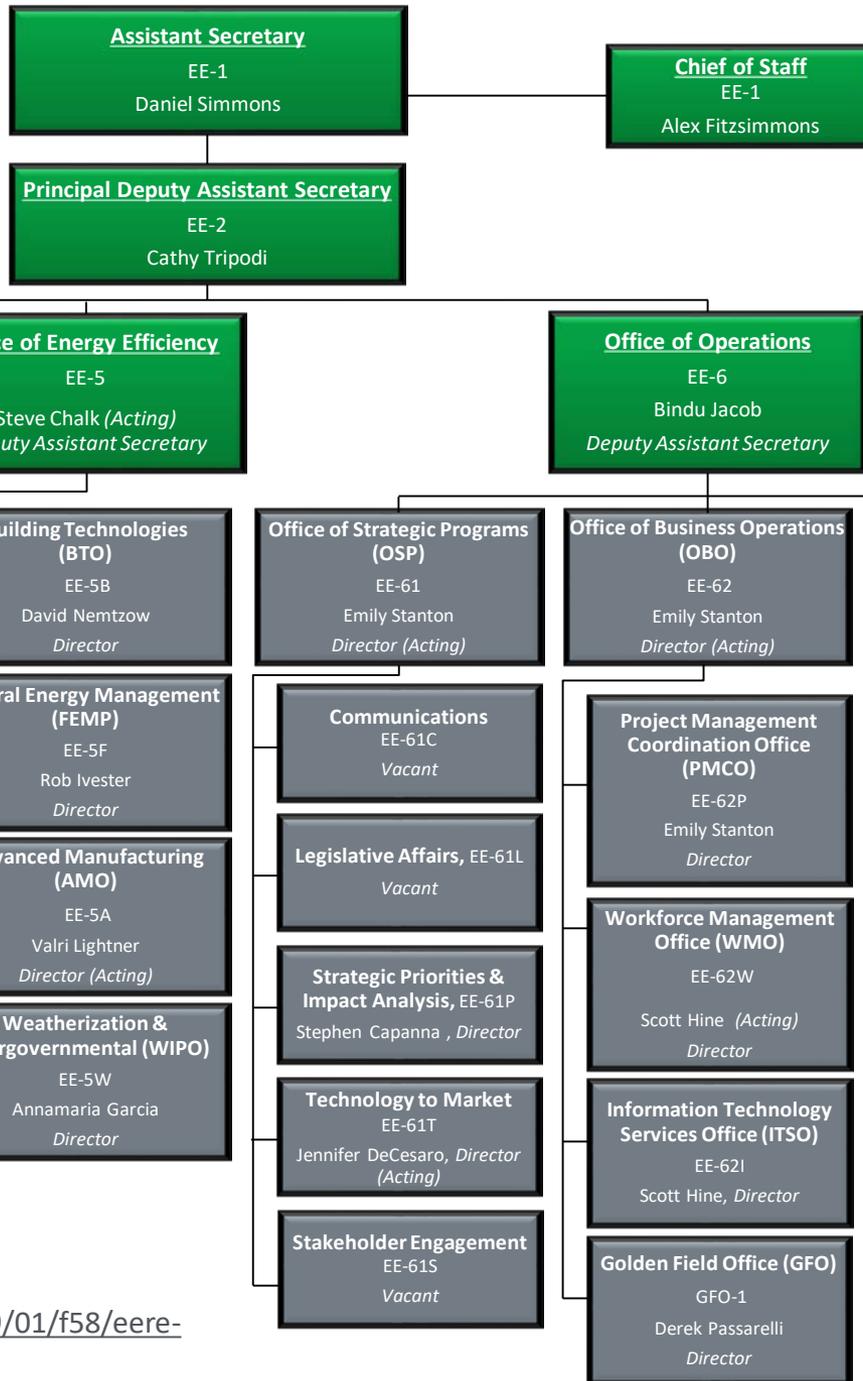
Renewable ELECTRICITY GENERATION



Energy Saving HOMES, BUILDINGS, & MANUFACTURING

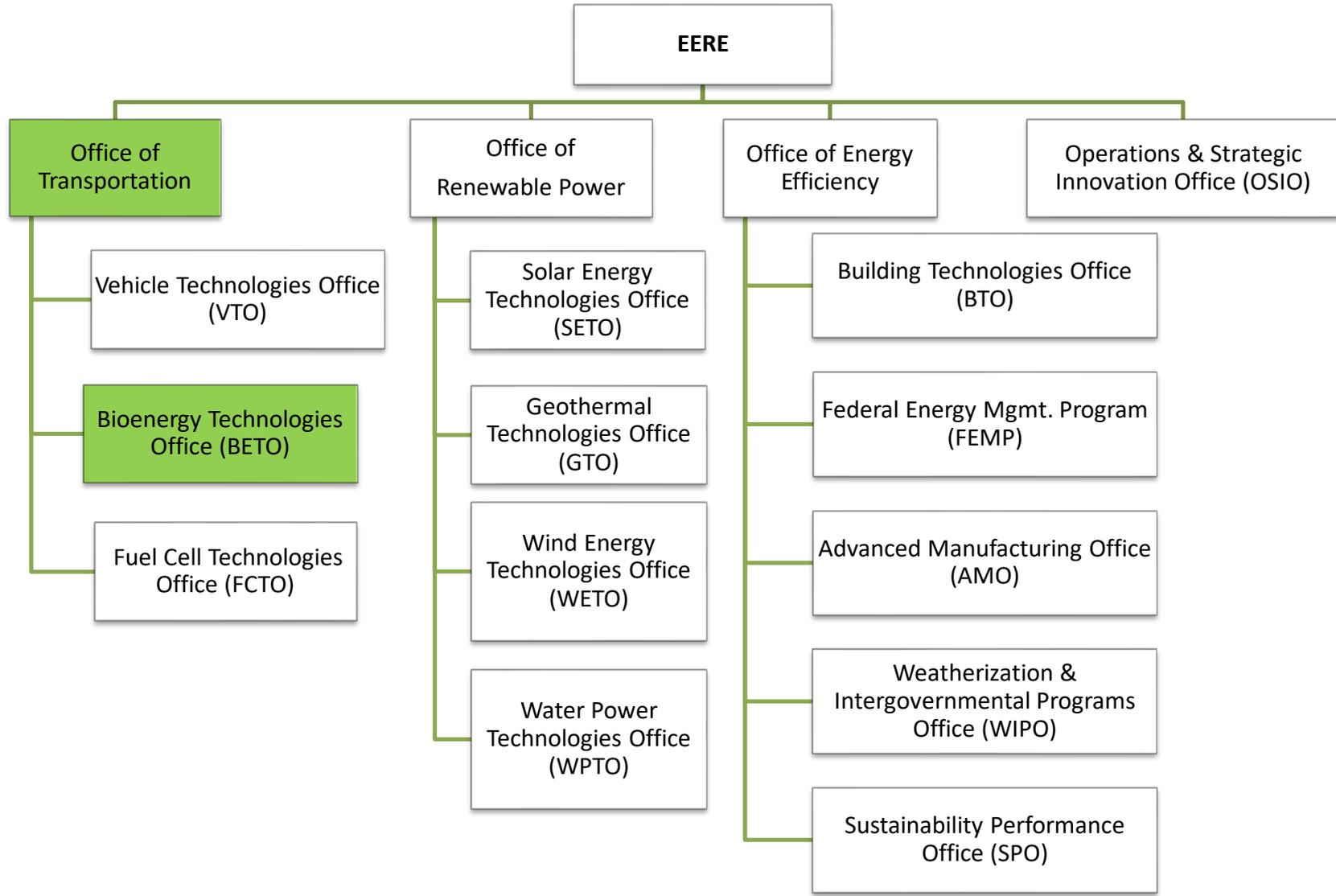


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Source: <https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/2019/01/f58/eere-org-chart-011719.pptx> [2019-02-21]

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BETO's Mission & Vision

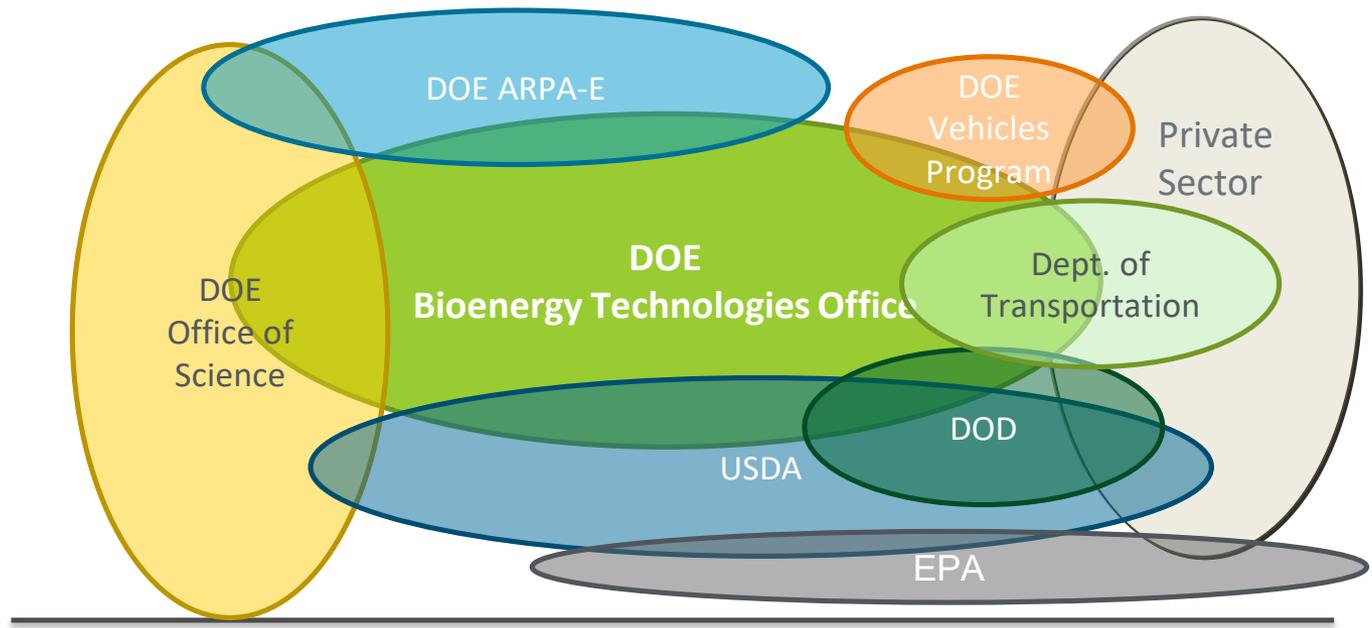


A thriving and *sustainable* bioeconomy fueled by innovative *technologies*

Developing transformative and revolutionary sustainable bioenergy technologies for a *prosperous nation*

Develop industrially relevant technologies to enable *domestically* produced biofuels and coproducts without subsidies

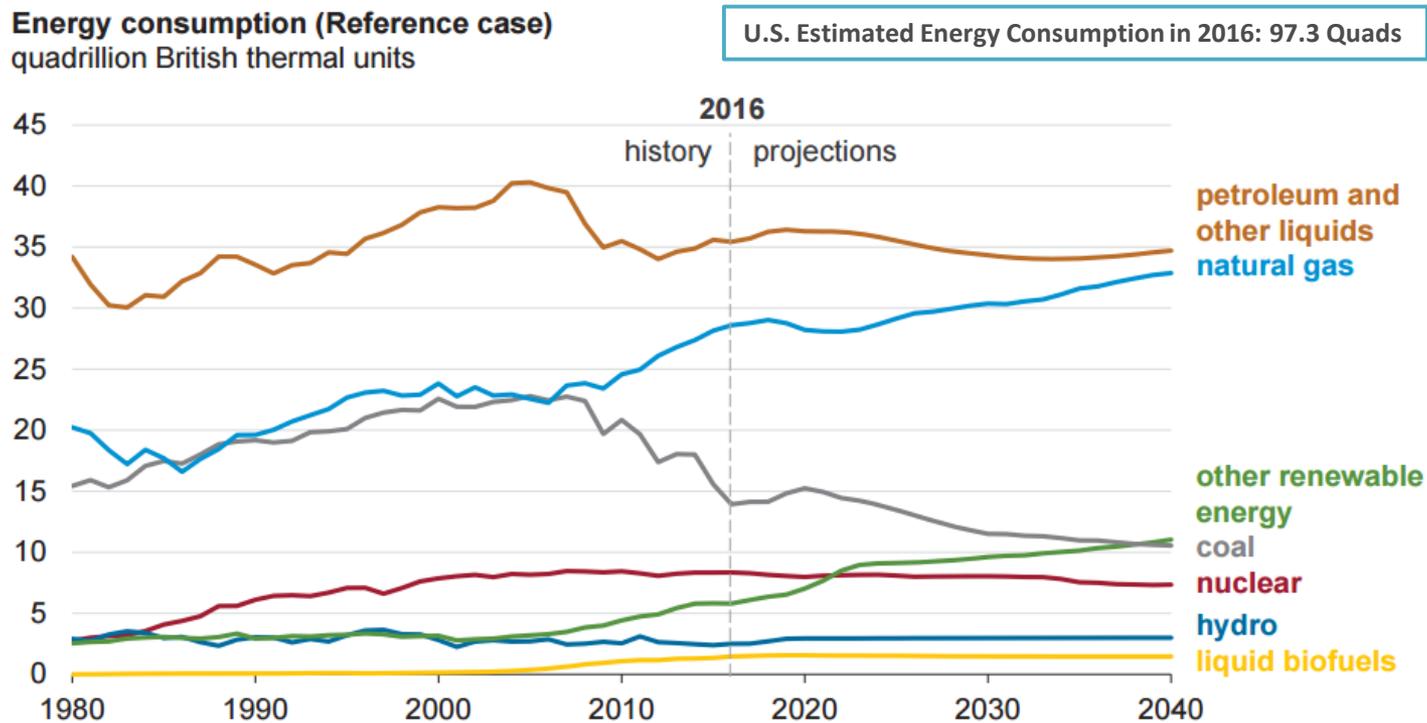
Intra- and Interagency Partnerships & Relationships



| Basic | Applied | Demonstration | Deployment |
|---|--|--|---|
| DOE Office of Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BERCs • EFRCS • Joint Solicitation | DOE ARPA-E <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algae • Information Sharing | USDA - Agriculture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture resources • Conversion technologies | Dept. of Defense <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R&D • Biofuel Offtakes |
| | | DOE Vehicles Tech. Prog. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engine/Fuel s testing • Future Vehicle Dev. | Dept. of Transportation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution and end-use |
| | | | EPA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RFS • Fuel Approval |
| | | | Private Sector <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Industry build-out • Financing |

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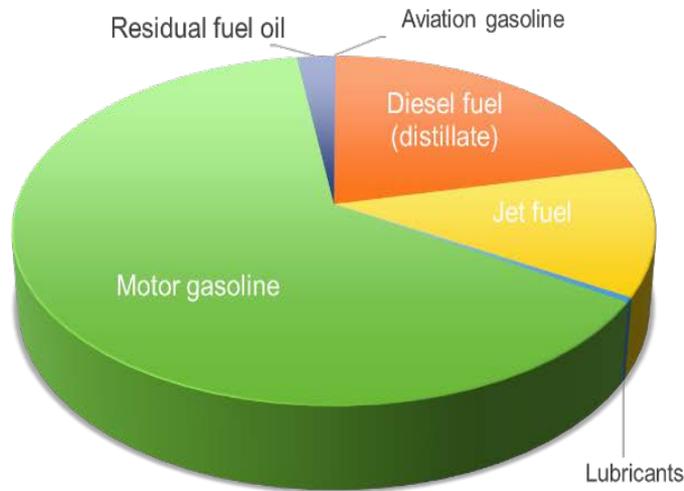
U.S. Primary Energy Consumption: Past and Projected



Source: Energy Information Administration, "Annual Energy Outlook 2017", Reference Case.

U.S. fuel consumption (2017)

2017 U.S. fuel consumption
(transportation sector by fuel type)



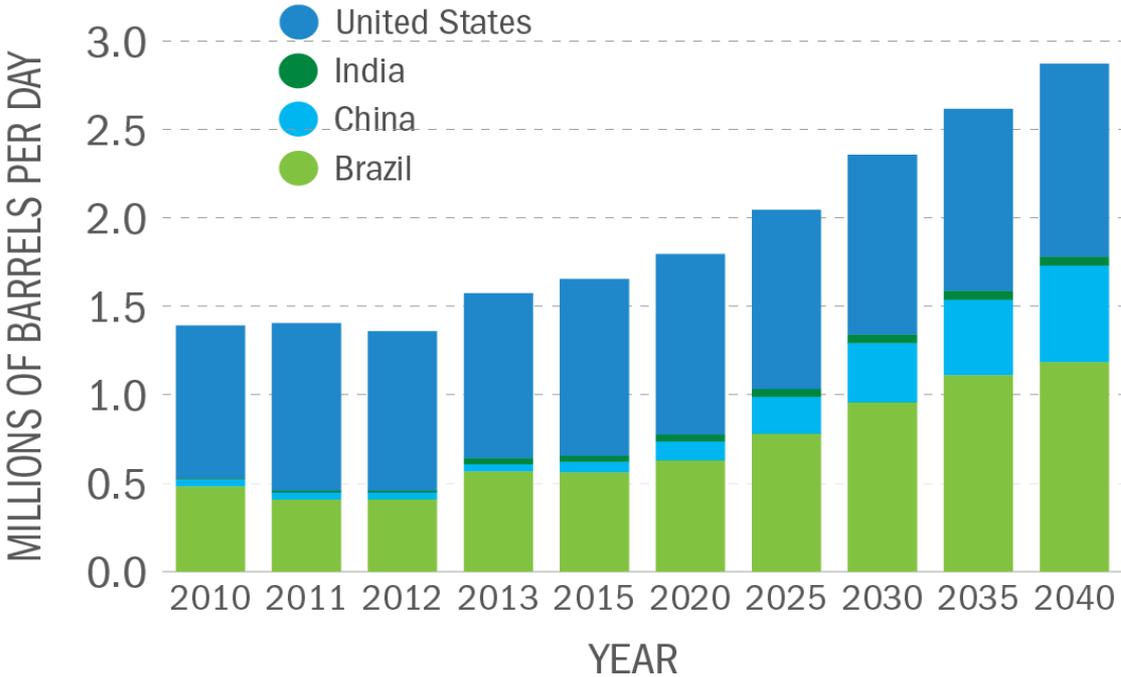
<https://www.eia.gov/totalenergy/data/monthly/index.php#petroleum>

2017 U.S. transportation fuel consumption
(billion gallons per year)

| Fuel* | Amount† | typical use |
|---------------------|---------|-----------------|
| Motor Gasoline | 137.6 | cars |
| Distillate Fuel Oil | 45.8 | Trucks/rail/bus |
| Jet Fuel | 25.8 | jets |
| Residual Fuel Oil | 4.6 | ships |
| Lubricants | 0.9 | all |
| Aviation Gasoline | 0.2 | non-jet |
| Propane (other C3) | 0.1 | buses |

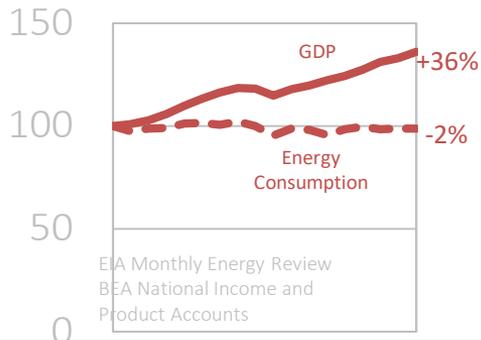
* LNG not reported, † billion gallons/year

Global Production of Biofuels - Future

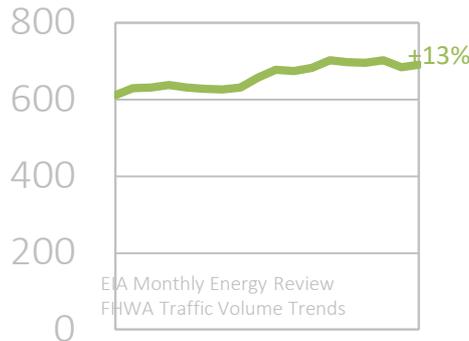


U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), *International Energy Outlook 2016* (Washington, DC: EIA, 2016), DOE/EIA-0484, [https://www.eia.gov/outlooks/ieo/pdf/0484\(2016\).pdf](https://www.eia.gov/outlooks/ieo/pdf/0484(2016).pdf).

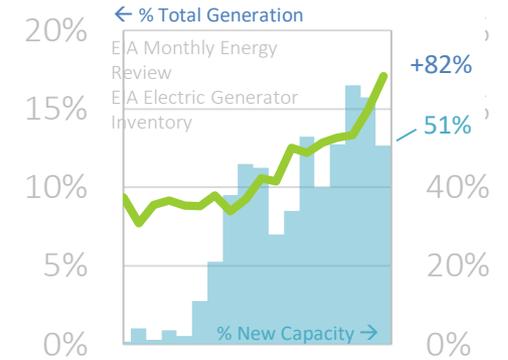
Energy Productivity
(Indexed to 2000)



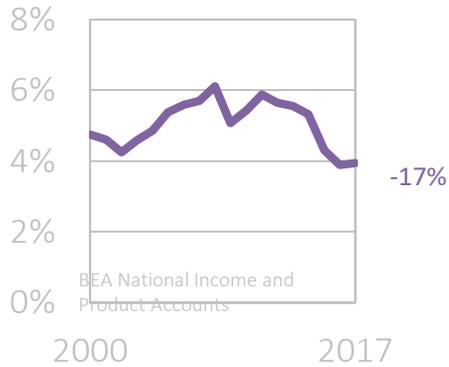
Transportation Oil Efficiency
(VMT/Barrel Oil Equivalent)



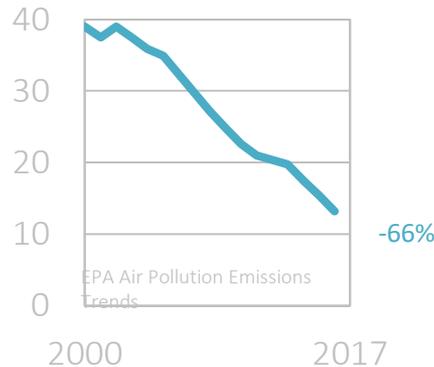
Renewable Electricity



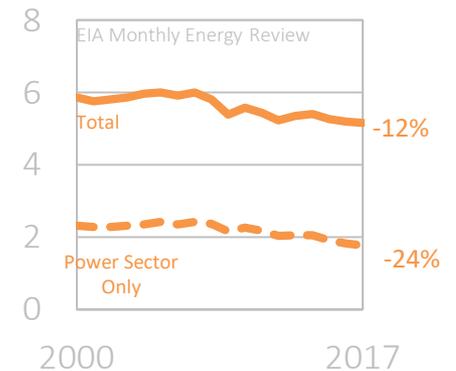
United States Energy Trends



Personal Energy Expenditures
(% Total Expenses, nominal)



NO_x & SO₂ Emissions
(Million Short Tons)



Energy CO₂ Emissions
(Billion Metric Tons)

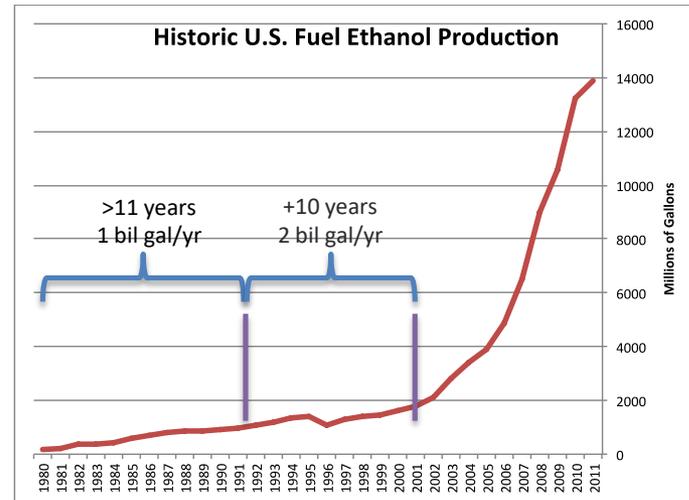
US Alternative Fuels History

Mature industry in Brazil since 1970's from sugarcane to ethanol used in light duty vehicles to displace gasoline.

US corn based ethanol since 1980's initially used as oxygenate replacement due to ban of methy-tertiary-butyl ether. Current consumption about 14 billion gallons/year (10% of gasoline demand in light duty vehicles).

US bio-diesel production from soybean and waste oils. Current consumption about 1 billion gallons/year (2% of diesel demand in heavy duty vehicles).

New process technologies that convert biomass and waste-based feedstocks into fuels are beginning to be commercialized.



Source: Renewable Fuels Association:
<http://ethanolrfa.org/pages/statistics>

Bioenergy Related National Policy Efforts

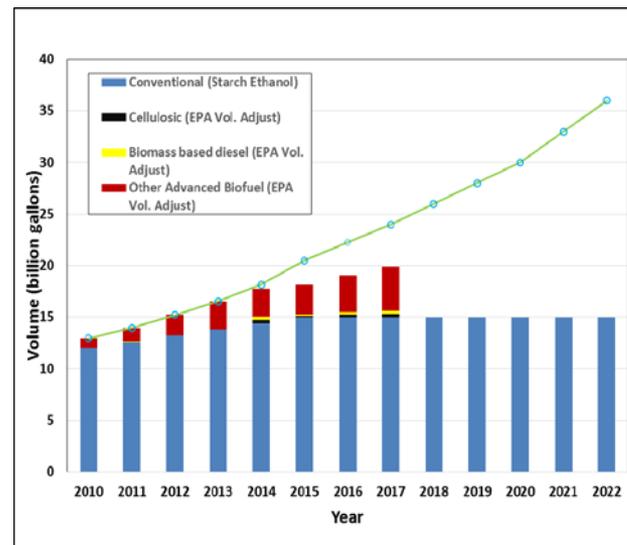
- ***U.S. EPA administers the Renewable Fuel Standards (RFS) which requires certain quantities of renewable fuels to be blended into motor gasoline and diesel fuel.***

- The RFS was created under the Energy Policy Act (EPAAct) of 2005

- Required 7.5 billion gallons of renewable-fuel to be blended into gasoline by 2012

- Under the Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) of 2007 it was expanded to RFS2 and changed in several times

- RFS2 increased the volume of renewable fuel required to be blended into transportation fuel from 9 billion gallons in 2008 to 36 billion gallons by 2022



- EPA approved volumes have fallen short of the trajectory in recent years and are not on track to meet the originally proposed goal

Source: <https://www.epa.gov/renewable-fuel-standard-program/renewable-fuel-annual-standards>

Bioenergy Related National Policy Efforts

U.S. EPA recent proposal for bio-intermediates

Allow renewable fuel produced from biointermediates to generate RINs for existing approved pathways, supporting the growth of advanced
Only the renewable fuel producer would be permitted to generate RINs biofuels
Biointermediate producers would be subject to requirements similar to those for renewable fuel producers

U.S. EPA recent proposal to allow year round E15

U.S CARB is considering developing a proposal to:

- Allow alternative jet fuel (AJF) to generate LCFS credits as an opt-in fuel
- Allow credit generation for AJF loaded to all planes in California, whether destinations are in state or out of state
- Allow credit generation for military use of AJF

• U.S. CARB granted (February 2016) approval for refinery co-processing:

- This approval relate to the application of Ensyn's Renewable Fuel Oil as a renewable feedstock for refineries in California for the production of renewable gasoline and diesel (refinery co-processing).

Renewable Identification Numbers (RINs) Generated in 2017

| RINs ¹ | million gallons | percent |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| D6 Renewable fuel | | 78% |
| ethanol | 14,860 | |
| renewable diesel | 245 | |
| D4 Biomass-based diesel | | 20% |
| biodiesel | 3,070 | |
| renewable diesel | 770 | |
| renewable jet | 3 | |
| D5 Advanced Biofuels | | 0.7% |
| ethanol | 99 | |
| naphtha | 32 | |
| other | 13 | |
| D3/D7 Cellulosic | | 1.3% |
| ethanol | 10 | |
| natural gas ² | 217 | |
| heating oil | 2 | |

¹ 93% of the RINs were generated in the U.S.

² renewable compressed natural gas and liquefied natural gas

Renewable fuel (D6)
Example source: corn starch*
GHG reduction ≥ 20%

Advanced biofuel (D5)
Example source: sugarcane
GHG reduction ≥ 50%

Cellulosic (D3/D7)
Example source: corn stover, wood chips, biogas
GHG reduction ≥ 60%

Biomass-based diesel (D4)
Example source: soybean or canola oil, waste oil, animal fats
GHG reduction ≥ 50%

*corn starch is capped at 15 billion gallons

Note the competition for lipids in jet fuel vs diesel markets, 3M gallons vs 4B gallons.