## U.S. Bakken Shale Play: Update From The Field

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#### **Breitling Oil and Gas North American Unconventional Resource Experience**





- Drunkards Wash Uinta
- Powder River
- Horseshoe Canyon
- Manville

#### **Shale**

- Barnett
- Haynesville
- Muskwa
- Montney
- Austin
- Anadarko
- Bakken

#### Tight Gas

- Piceance
  - Anadarko
- San Juan
- Deep Basin
- **Uinta**
- Greater Green
- Lobo
- Bossier





## Pre-Bakken North Dakota Traffic Jam





## **Bakken Boom Traffic**





#### Where Is the Bakken?

The Bakken Formation is a rock unit occurring deep in the Williston Basin.

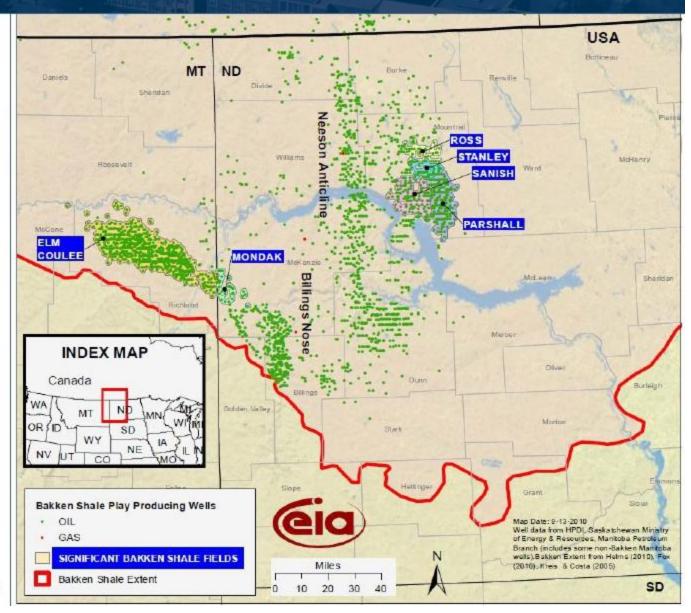
Discovered in the 1950s in North Dakota.

Prolific, sustained production began in the 2000s.

Oil is currently produced from the Bakken Formation in:

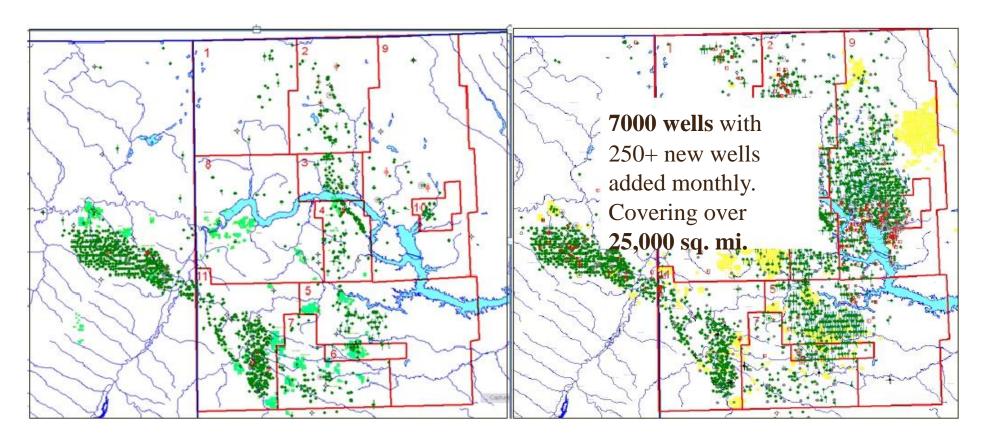
- North Dakota
- Montana
- Saskatchewan
- Manitoba





#### The Williston Basin

<u>2008</u>

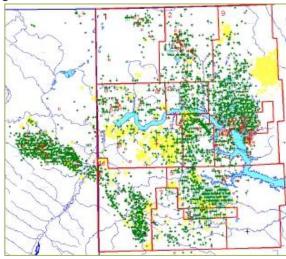




### Williston Basin Bakken Development

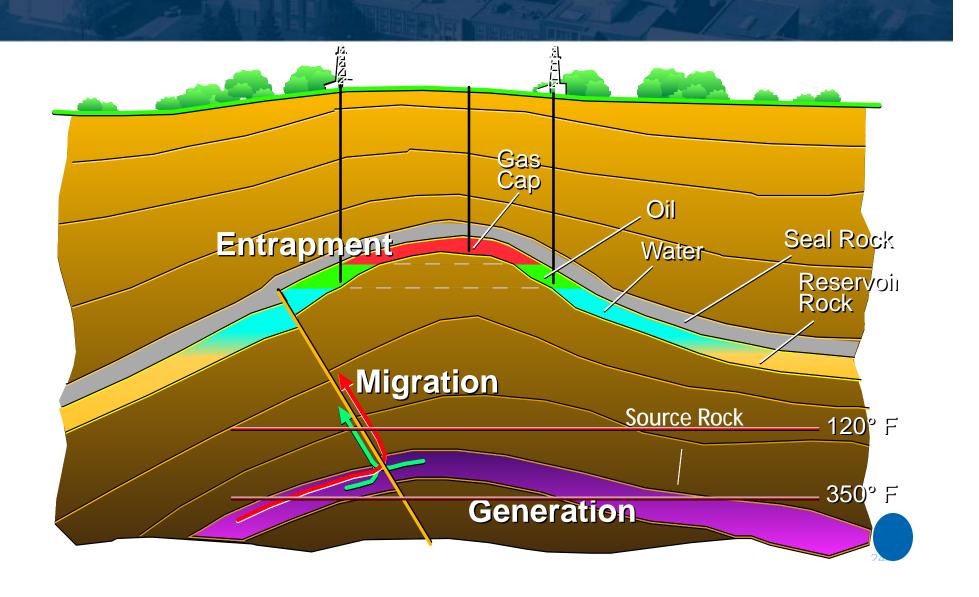
#### **History**

- § 1953 1960
  - § 56 vertical wells targeting both zones (209 BOPD avg IP)
  - § Some have cumulative production over 1,000,000 bbl oil to date
- § 1961 1976
  - § Billings Nose "Bakken Fairway" on South west side of the Basin
  - § Bail out zone to Red River
- § 1987 2005
  - § Horizontal drilling in the shale along the Fairway & Elm Coulee
  - § 225 wells: 86 BOPD IP yielding 145 MBOE
- § 2006+
  - § Parshall Discovery Well
  - § 3,000 wells later.....

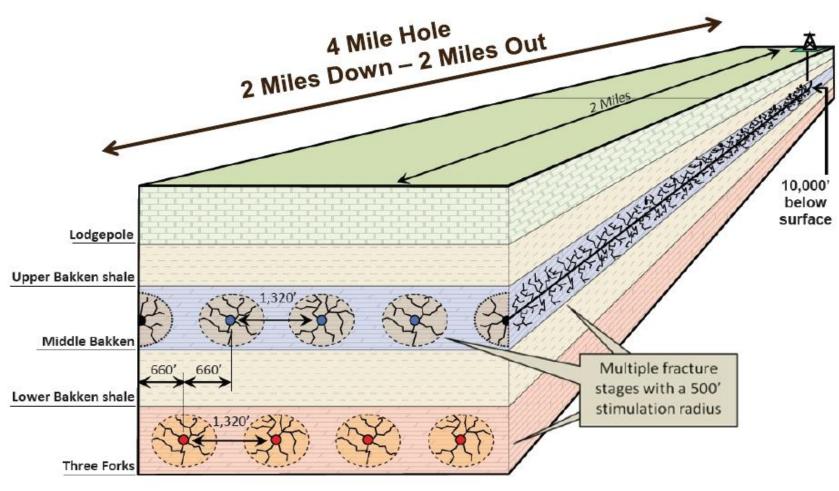




## **Total Petroleum System**



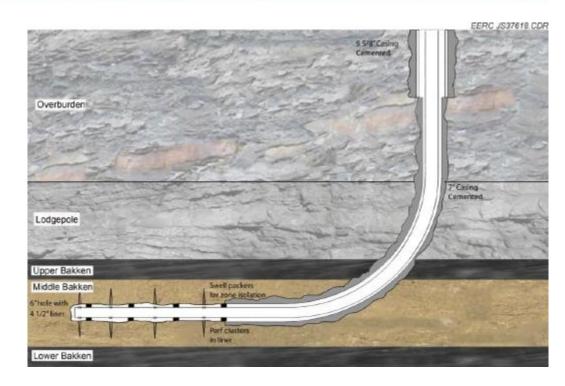
## **Bakken Well Specifications**





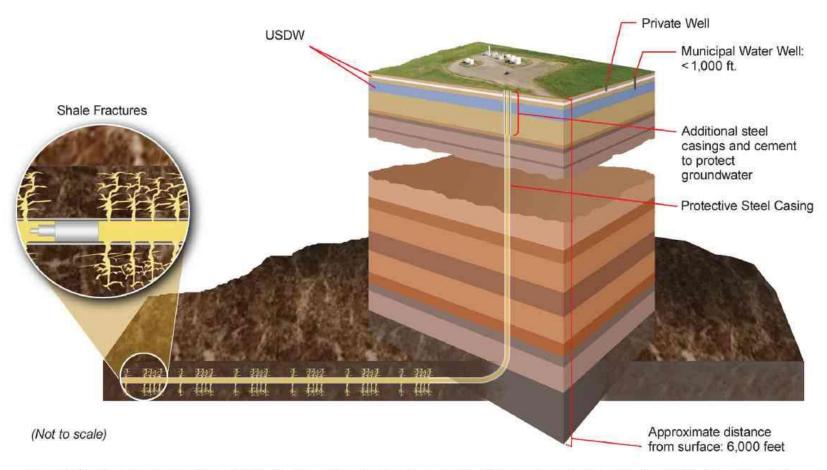
#### How is Bakken Shale Production Possible?

- Recent advancements in technology have spurred tight oil production.
  - Horizontal drilling and completion
    - 8,000- to 10,000-ft laterals in the Bakken
  - Hydraulic fracturing
    - "Fracking" with a mixture of fluids and Proppants (sand & ceramic)





## What is Fracking?





Steel casing lines the well and is cemented in place to prevent any communication up the wellbore as the fracturing job is pumped or the well is produced. Shallow formations holding fresh water that may be useful for farming or public consumption are separated from the fractured shale by thousands of feet of rock.

#### How Many "Bakkens" Are There?





Source: Energy Information Administration based on data from various published studies. Updated: March 21, 2011

## Unconventional Oil – Projections

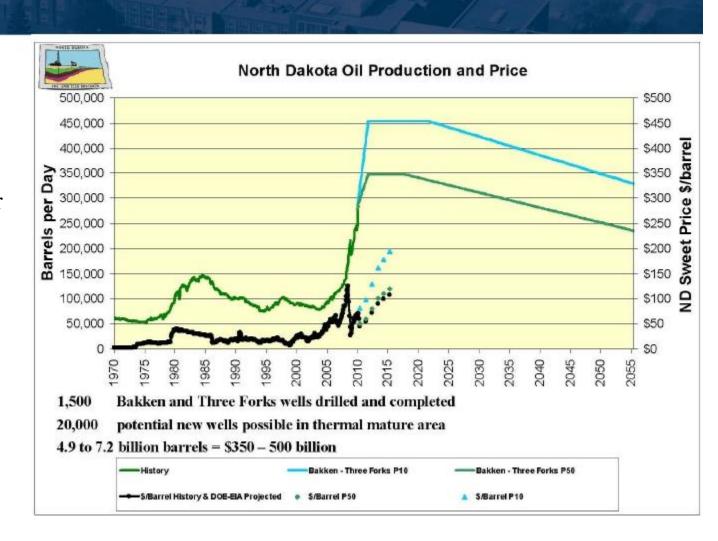
2013 Williston Basin tight oil production will be over 1,000,000 bpd.

Eagle Ford will be over 250,000 bpd.

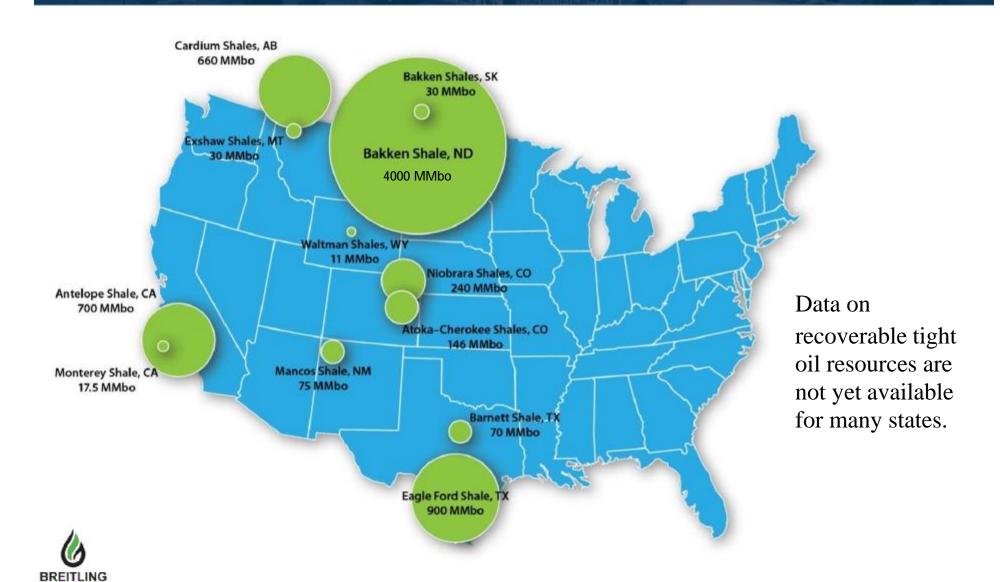
2020 North American tight oil production could be over 3,000,000 bpd.

2050 North American tight oil production could be over 10,000,000 bpd.

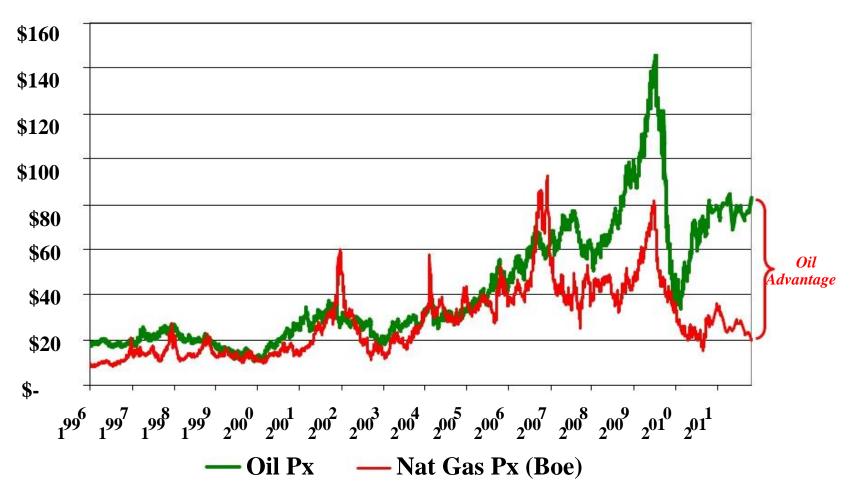




# Magnitude of Recoverable Unconventional Oil Resources



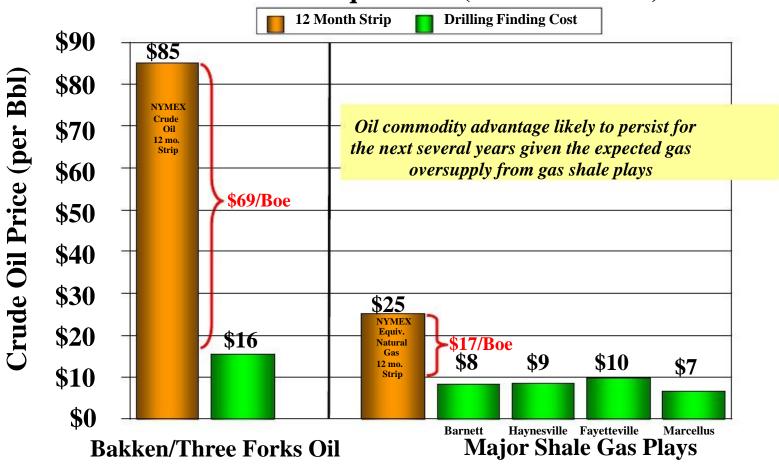
## Commodity Advantage Favors Oil Oil Prices vs 6:1 Equivalent Natural Gas Prices





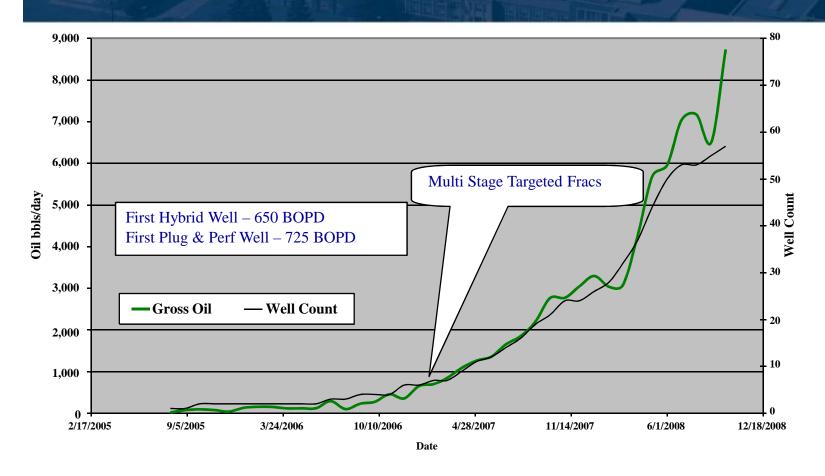
# High Value Oil Enhances Margins Relative to Natural Gas

#### Per Barrel of Oil Equivalent (6:1 Conversion)





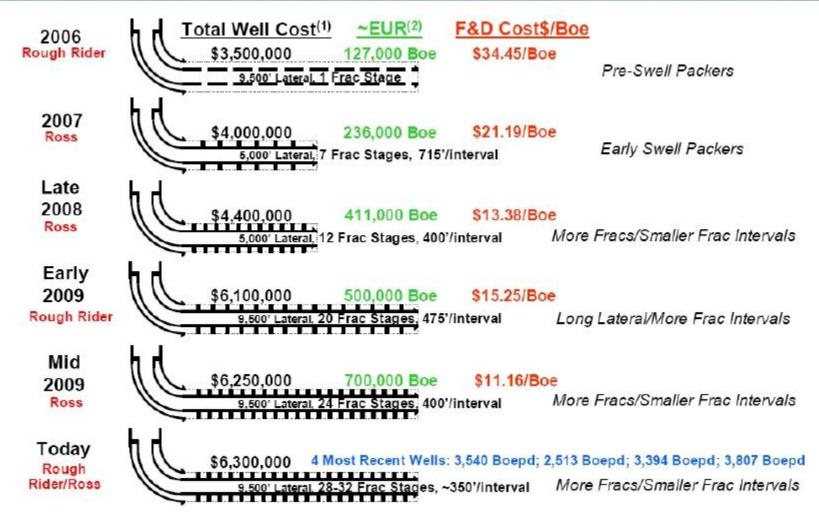
#### **Bakken Horizontal Play**



New completion designs improves results... continually modeling and testing different types of stimulation

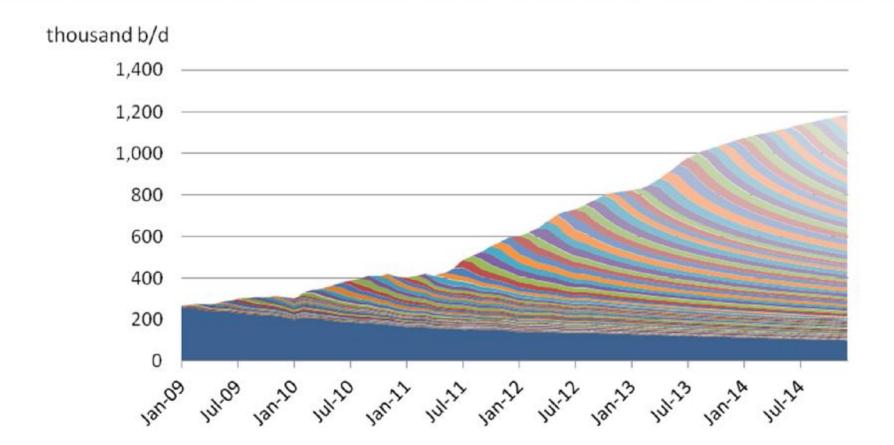


#### **Horizontal Bakken Drilling Cost**





## Oil production by monthly volume





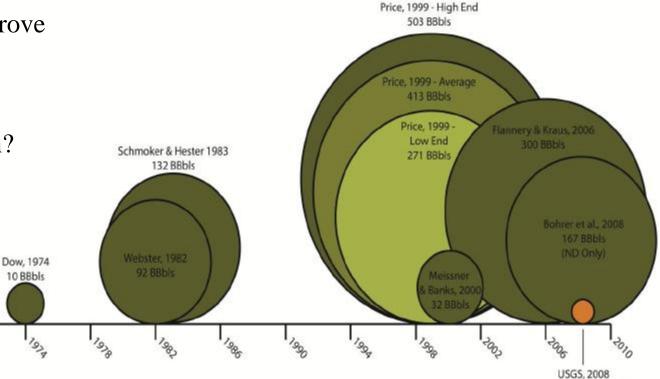
#### How Much Bigger Can The Bakken Get?

Currently only 5%–10% recovery factor.

Enhanced oil recovery technologies may improve ultimate recovery.

Can CO<sub>2</sub> be a game changer in the Bakken?

#### Bakken Total Oil in Place Reserve Estimates





USGS, 2008 Technically Recoverable Reserves 3.65 BBbls (US Only)

## **Challenges- Environmental Issues**

#### **Environmental Issues**

- Multiple-stage fracking can require millions of gallons of water.
- The frack fluids may contain chemicals that have become the subject of public concern.
- Flaring has been a source
   of environmental criticism.
   (100 MM CF/day)





#### **Solutions**

#### **Environmental Issues**

- Development and application of frack fluid recycling. Breitling is utilizing CLF.
- Reformulation of frack fluids to be more environmentally friendly. Breitling's "EnviroFrac"
- Utilization of flare gas.
  - Infrastructure is catching up.
  - On-site and off-site uses for gas are developing.





## Challenges - Public Perception Issues

#### **Public Perception Issues**

- The construction of thousands
   of well pads and truck traffic for
   the drilling and fracking of
   thousands of wells:
  - Wear and tear on roads and highways
  - Traffic jams in rural communities
  - Increased airborne dust
  - Adversely affect the "viewshed"





#### **Solutions**

 Increased use of technologies to drill multiple wells from a single pad:

> Reduces the overall footprint of drilling operations. Breitling's "Smart Pads"

- Construction of truck routes around outskirts of communities.
- Development and application of environmentally friendly dust control materials.





### **Bakken – Current Economic Impact**

#### **Statistics**

By 2014

1450 to 2940 wells/year, with 2140 being expected.

- 100 to 165 rigs running
- This equates to **12,000 to 19,800 jobs**

10- to 20-year life span for the Bakken play

- 21,250 new wells
- This equates to 3000 to 3500 long-term jobs





### Current Economic Impact (cont).

#### North Dakota Middle Bakken

A single Bakken well over its lifetime is projected to:

Produce more than 575,000 barrels of oil.

Generate over \$20 million net profit.

Pay approximately \$4,250,000 in taxes.

Pay royalties of \$6,900,000 to mineral owners.

Pay salaries and wages of \$1,550,000.

Pay operating expenses of \$1,900,000.

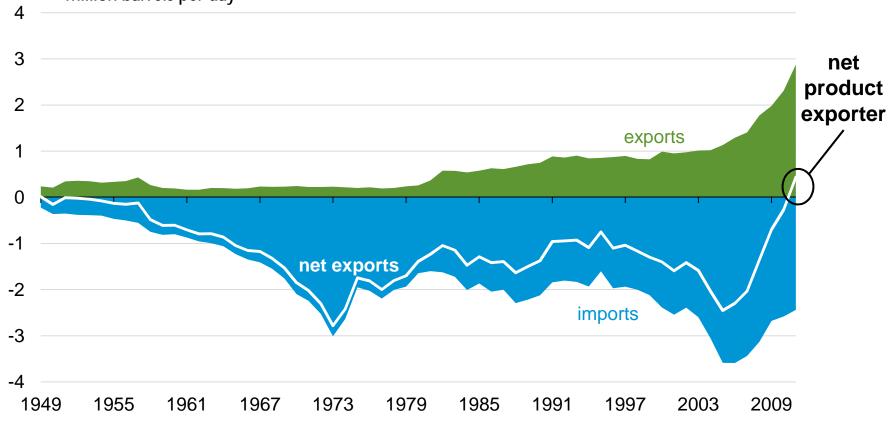
20+ year lifespan.





## U.S. petroleum product exports exceeded imports in 2011 for first time in over six decades

annual U.S. net exports of total petroleum products, 1949 – 2011 million barrels per day



Source: EIA, Petroleum Supply Monthly



## **Conclusions & Closing Comments**

- The potential of Liquids-rich shales was discovered by a number of innovative firms that did not restrain themselves with conventional dogmas. (Sounds like the Shale Gas Revolution....)
- The resource contained in already discovered plays is vast (100+ Billion barrels), and includes more than just oil.
  - 44 Billion Barrels of Oil, 57 Billion Barrels of NGLs, with 300+ Tcf of Dry Gas in the liquids-rich plays alone.
  - More exists in undeveloped plays.
- The economic boost given these plays by high oil prices makes these plays very economic in a low gas price environment.
- Robust economics and highly productive wells allow for significant productive capacity.
- The Bakken is in its infancy. There will be decades of work ahead.



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