

Overview

“Natural gas has been a game-changer with our ability to really move forward with pollution reductions that have been very hard to get our arms around for decades.”

– GINA MCCARTHY

Administrator of Environmental Protection Agency

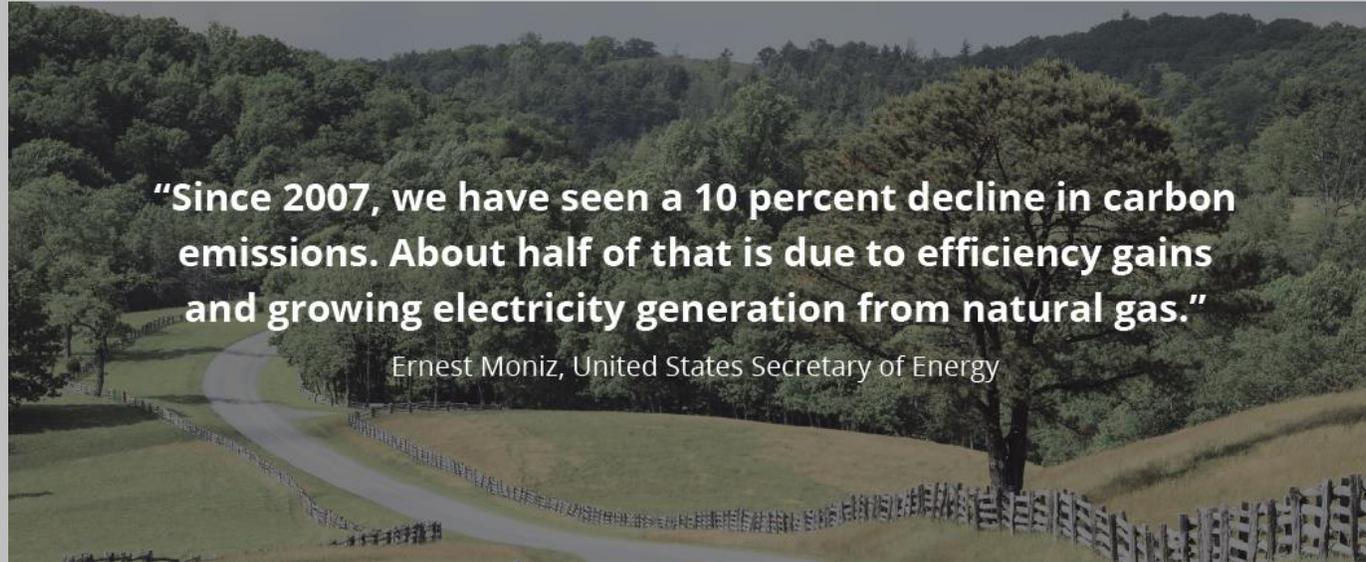
Natural gas production has allowed the United States to reduce carbon emissions, provide lower prices for American families, increase energy security, and create good-paying jobs. Natural gas supports roughly 3 million jobs and has played a major role in reducing U.S. carbon emissions to their lowest level in 20 years.



Benefitting Our Economy

-  It supports roughly 3 million jobs – over 2% of total U.S. employment.
-  Every year it adds \$385 billion to our nation's economy.
-  Experts predict that natural gas use will increase in the decades to come, which means even more jobs and more economic activity.
-  It's leading to a resurgence in American manufacturing.

Helping the Environment



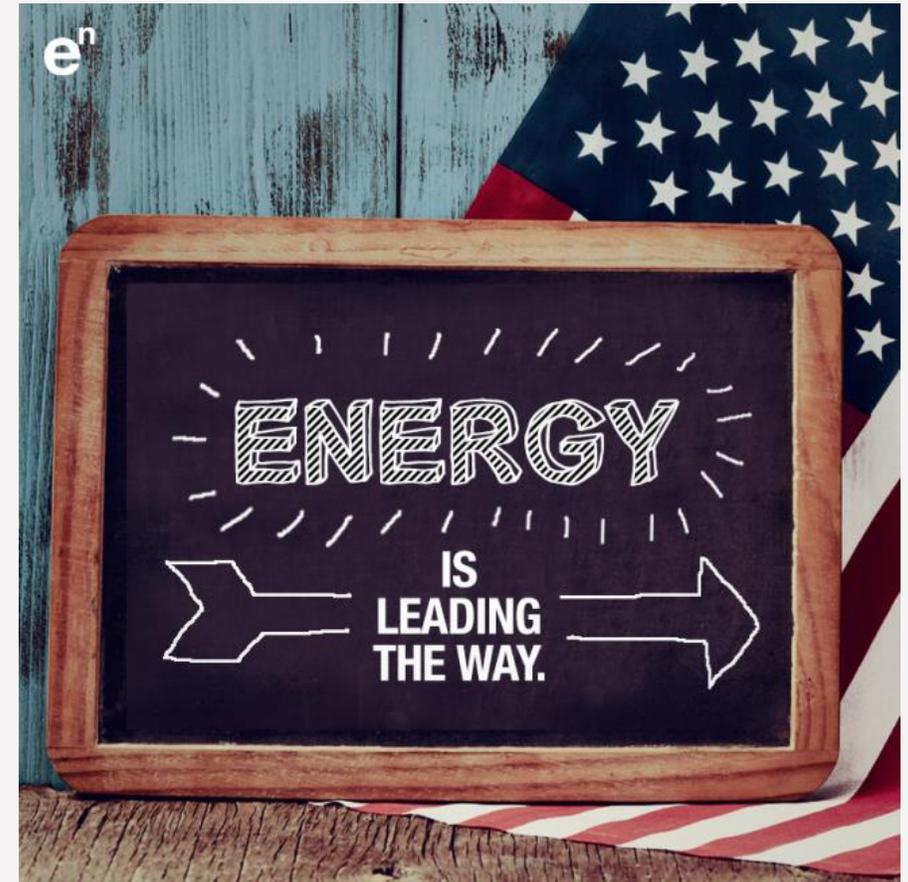
Electricity generated from natural gas produces less carbon than from some other energy sources. Increased electricity production from natural gas has played a major role in reducing U.S. carbon emissions to their lowest level in 20 years.

Natural gas is a good way to reduce emissions while renewable energy sources become economically viable. Elected officials should not fail to recognize the fact that natural gas is an ideal “bridge fuel” to the future.

Benefitting our Communities

In 2015, the price for natural gas was at its lowest level since 1999, which helped cause the wholesale price for electricity to **decrease by about 30%**.

But the savings don't stop there. Lower natural gas prices have also helped public schools and state and local economies. In the 2012/2013 school year, school districts saved **\$467 million** on natural gas and **\$741 million** on electricity. That's more money to hire over **14,000 new teachers!** Also, in the 2012/2013 fiscal **year**, lower natural gas prices saved state and local governments **\$720 million** in energy costs.



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