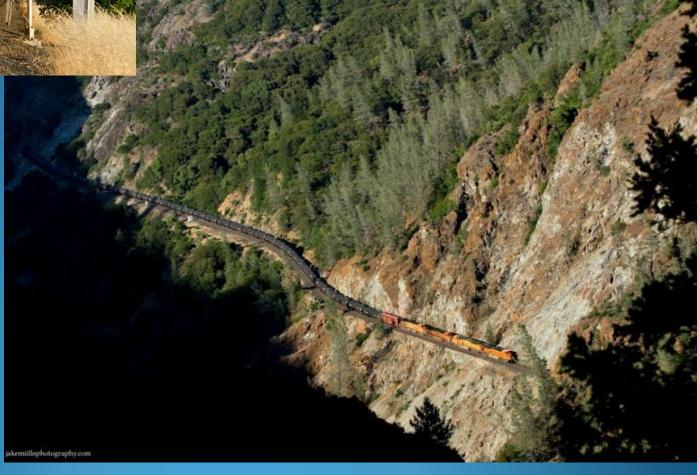


Light Crude Oil, Transport by Rail

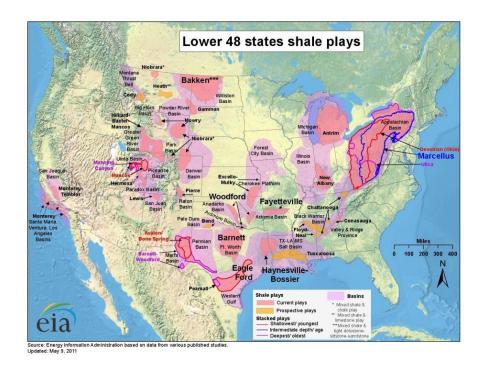




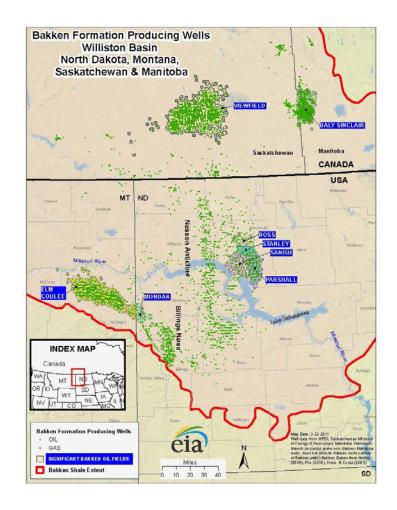
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Where does Light Crude come from?

- Various Regions
 - West Texas
 Intermediate
 - Benchmark



Bakken Region



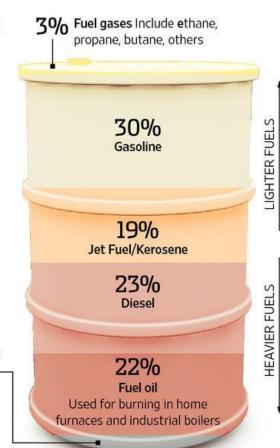
What is Bakken Crude?

- Light "sweet" shell crude oil
 - High quality
 - Low sulfur
 - Flammable



A Volatile Mix

Of the typical products that come from Bakken Shale crude oil, fuel gases are the most explosive. Breakdown of products from Bakken crude:



3%

Petroleum coke

A solid generally burned in power plants

Sources: Bentek (numeric breakdown); Colorado School of Mines (descriptions) The Wall Street Journal

How is oil transported?

- Pipeline
- Rail
- Barge
- Truck



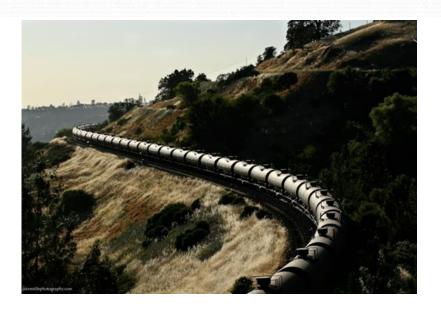


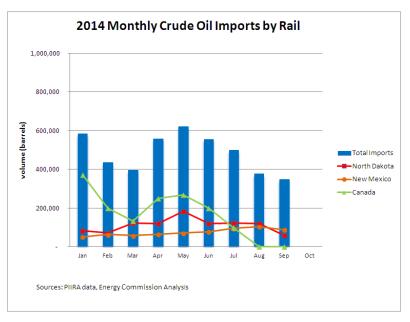




CA oil imports

- 2012 and prior
 - 70% by marine
 - 1,000 bbl (.3%) by rail
- **2013**
 - 6.3 million bbl by rail
- By 2016
 - Estimate 150 million bbl by rail





Where is it going in California?

- Benecia
- Martinez
- Bakersfield
- SoCal



Accidents: Oil by Rail

- More crude oil spilled in 2013 than last 4 decades
 - Mostly small spills
 - Potential for highconsequences will increase
- Lac-Megantic, Quebec
 - 63 tank cars exploded
 - Killed 47
- 8 significant derailments in US 2013-2014
 - No injuries



Accidents: Oil by Rail

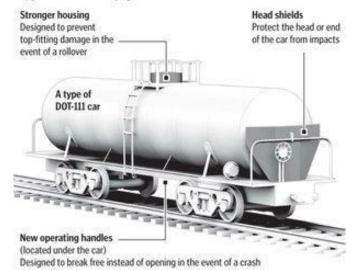
- Why all the accidents?
 - Under investigation
 - DOT111 tank cars easily damaged?
 - Not designed for pressure, etc.
 - Increased volume of trains?

Retrofitting DOT-111 rail cars

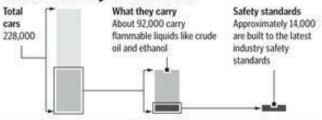
Federal officials and the railroad industry think older DOT-111 tank cars, which carry flammables like crude oil and ethanol, do not meet the latest safety standards and should be retrofitted to make them safer in the event of a derailment.

Upgrades for older DOT-111 cars

Upgrades for tankers carrying ethanol and crude oil



DOT-111 cars by the numbers



Source: Association of American Railroads, National Transportation Safety Board and Transportation Research Board

Routes/Risks: Butte County

- Feather River Route
 - Significant Natural Resource Risk





DOT Regulations

- SERC notification, light crude
 - 1,000,000+ gallons on any train
 - About 33-34 tank cars
 - Route of the train



Preparedness/Prevention

- Knowledge
- Specialized training
- Real-time shipping info from railroads
- Enhanced tools/equipment
- Improve ID for responders
- Phase out old tank cars
- New accident prevention technology
 - Change braking systems/Avoidance technology
- Lower Speeds

What we can do?







