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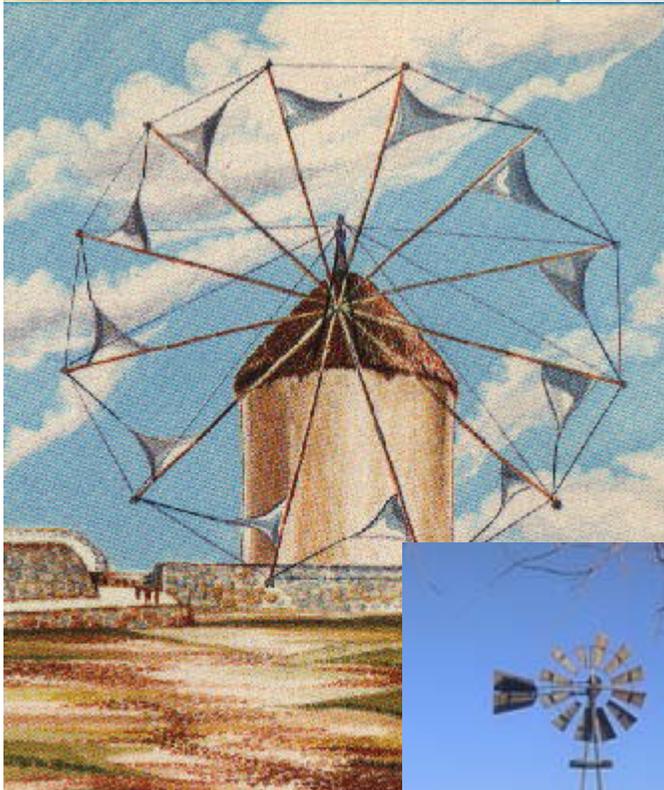
**Buyers & Markets
for Wind Energy**

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Wind Power *Buyers & Markets*



An ancient grinding mill on island of Mykonos.



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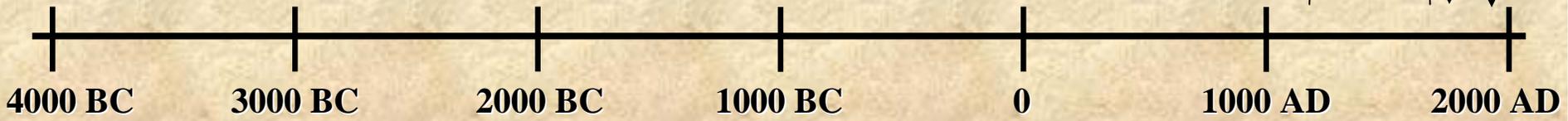
History of Wind Power

PURPA: Modern wind industry is born

Replaced by Steam engines

Most powerful machines in Europe

First wind mills



Egyptians started using cotton-made sails

Improved rigging increased cargo carrying capability

Roman Merchant Ships

Two masts

Clipper Ships

Fossil-Fired Ships

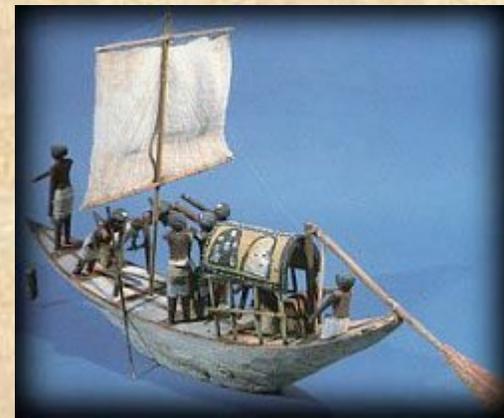
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First Commercial Use of the Wind

Between 4000 – 3000 BC, the Egyptians started using cotton-made sails.

Agricultural produce, troops, cattle, stone and funeral processions were all carried on the Nile and its canals.





Mediterranean Trade is Born (c 1,200 BC)



Argo, the ship of the Argonauts,
on a Greek stamp

- Improved rigs increased the cargo carrying capability.
- Phoenicians and Greeks because seafaring merchants.

Iron Age

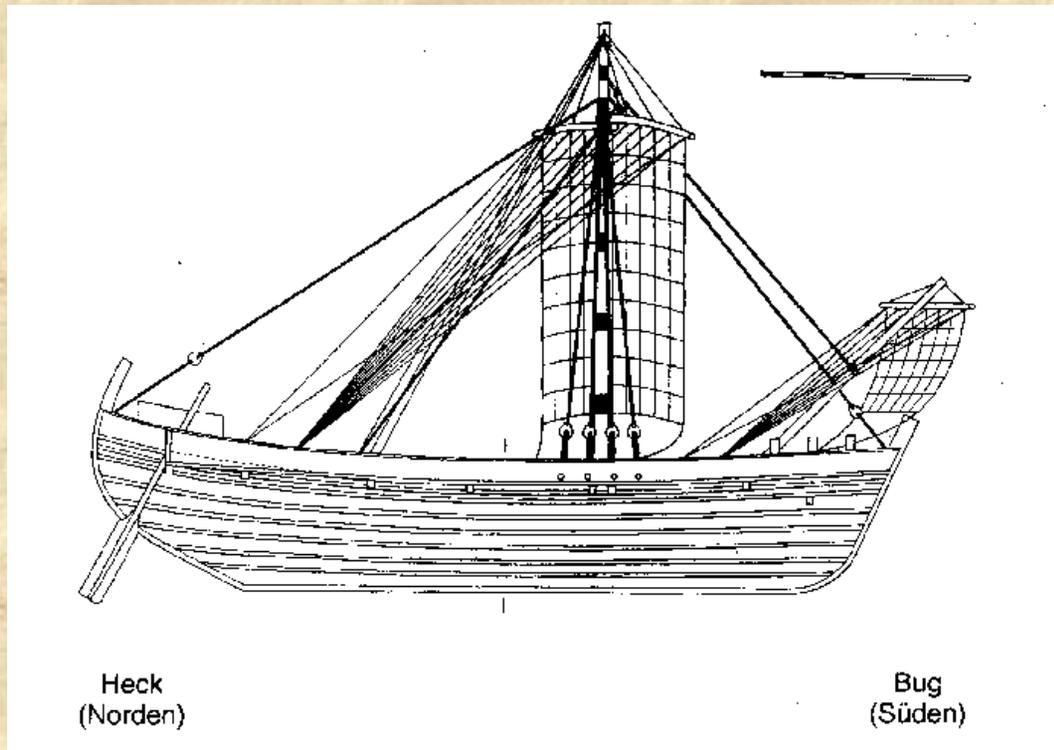
500 BC – 650 AD



Viking era long boat

- Two masted ships.
- Cargo Carrying capability up to 100 tons
- Specialization into merchant and war fighting vessels.

Roman Merchant Ship (c 100 AD)



Ships could carry up to
1,000 tons and 1,000 men

Romans became the rulers
of the Mediterranean.



The Clipper Name

- The great clipper ships of the 19th century tied wind technology to practical needs and helped trade and migration flourish.
- Today, wind energy is again playing a critical role.



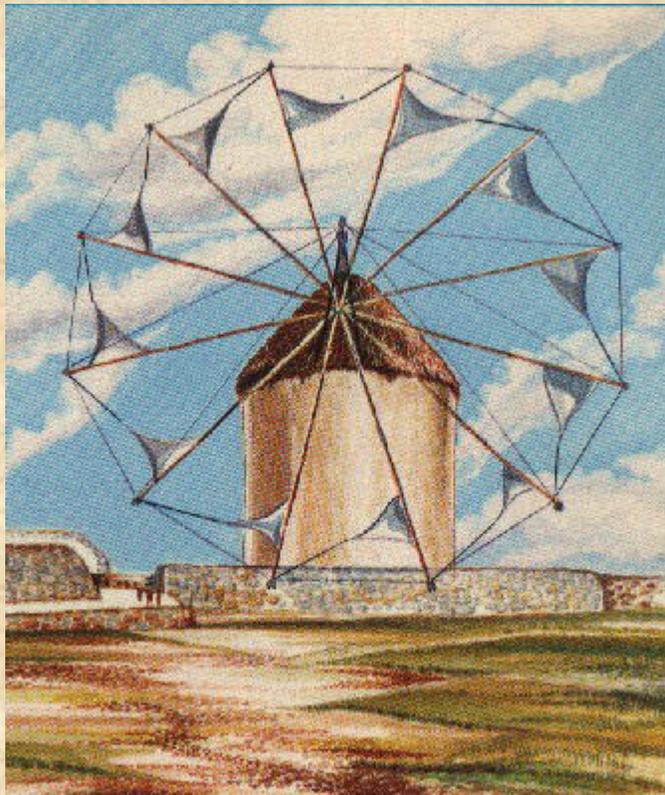


Clipper 2.5 MW “Liberty” Turbine Medicine Bow, WY



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First Wind Mills

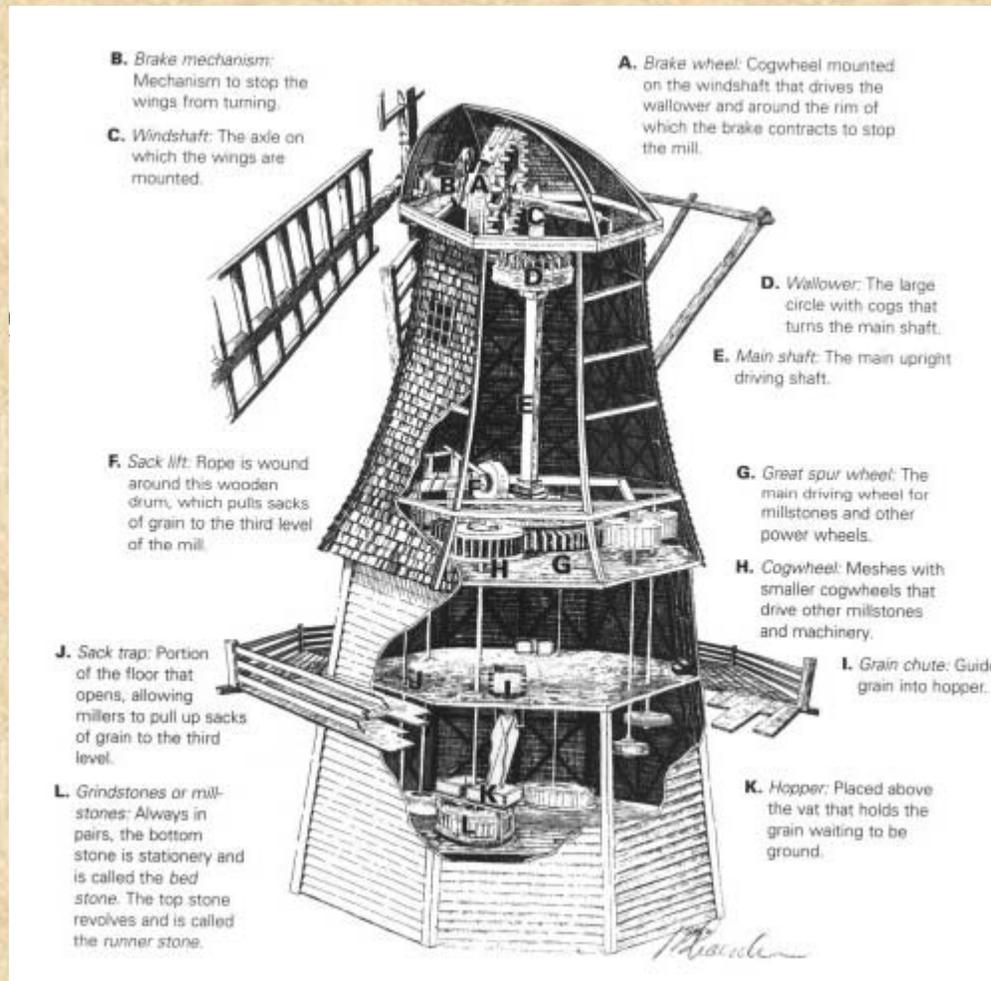


An ancient grinding mill on the Greek island of Mykonos.

Milling grain was the first mechanized use of on-shore wind energy



Windmills in Holland



- From 1200 to the late 1800s, wind mills were the most powerful machines in Europe
 - Ground grain
 - Pumped water
 - Pressed oil
 - Sawed wood
- During the industrial revolution, wind mills were replaced by steam engines



Windmills in the U.S.

6 million windmills pumped water in the Great Plains and arid Western states.

Gas and electric engines replaced most windmills by the 1940s.



José Mascourel and his family pose proudly near the windmill on their ranch in Hollywood, California, in the 1880s. Seaver Center for Western History Research, Los Angeles County Museum of Natural History

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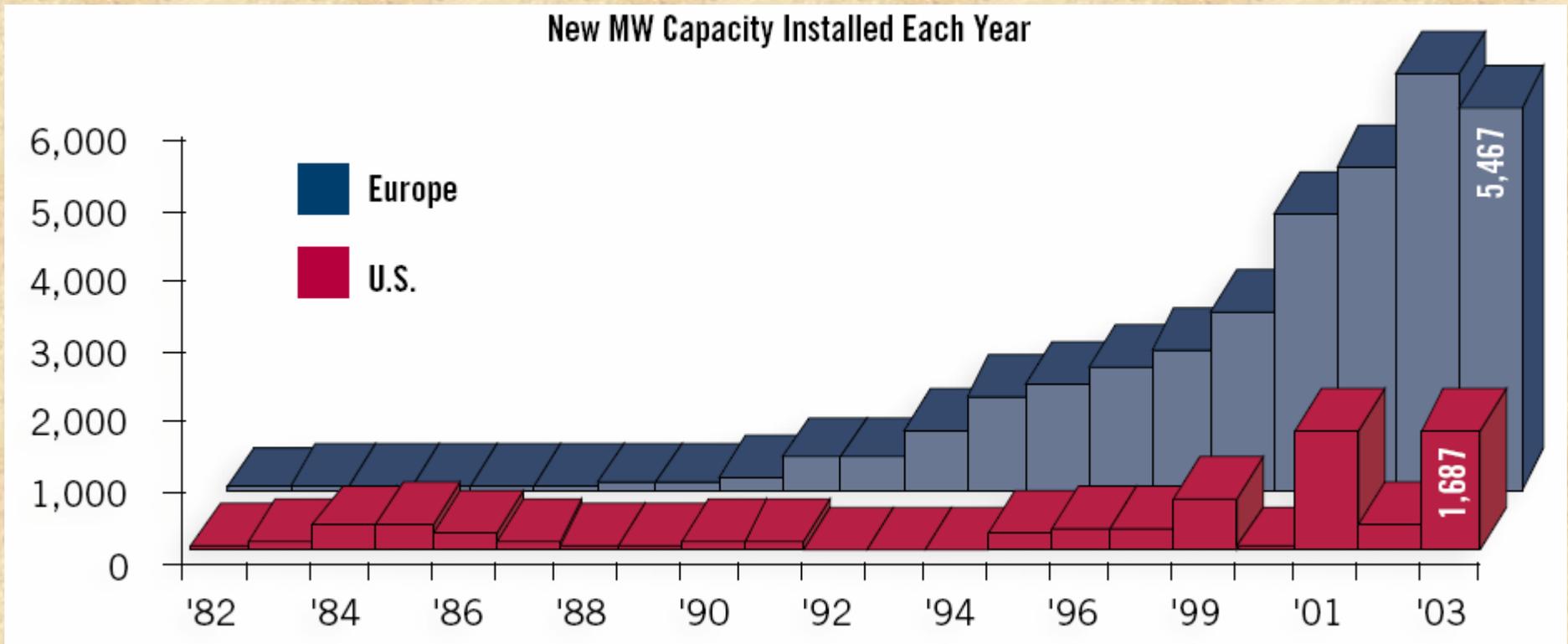
Modern Wind Industry

- 1978 Public Utilities Regulatory Policy Act.
- Industry born in the hills of Tehachapi, CA
- Later spread to Texas, Minnesota, Iowa and Europe





European vs. U.S. Growth





Turbine Productivity

Rotor Diameter Drives Down Wind Cost



	<u>1985</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2005</u>
Rotor (Meters)	17	27	40	50	71	93

Cost/kW

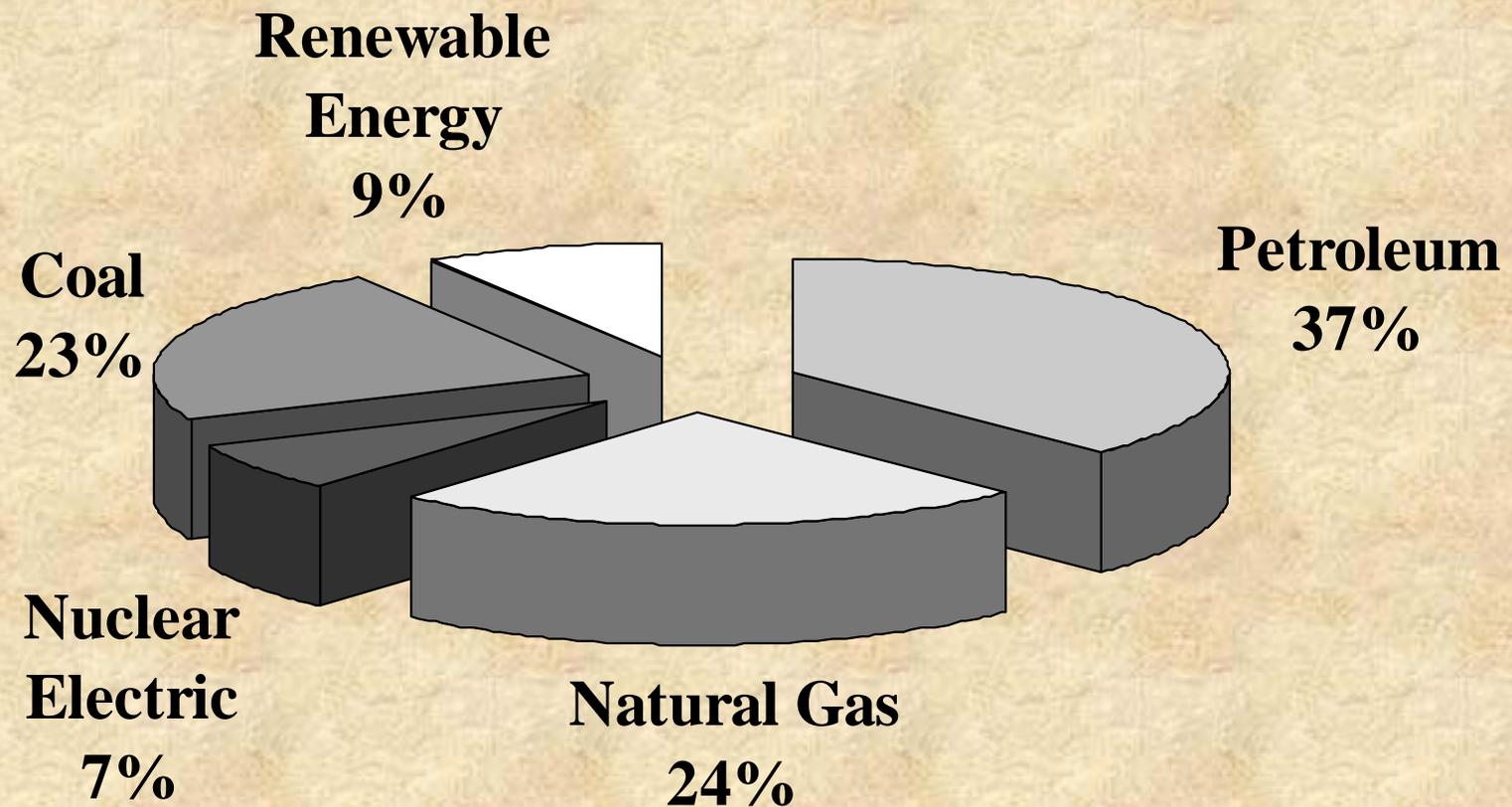


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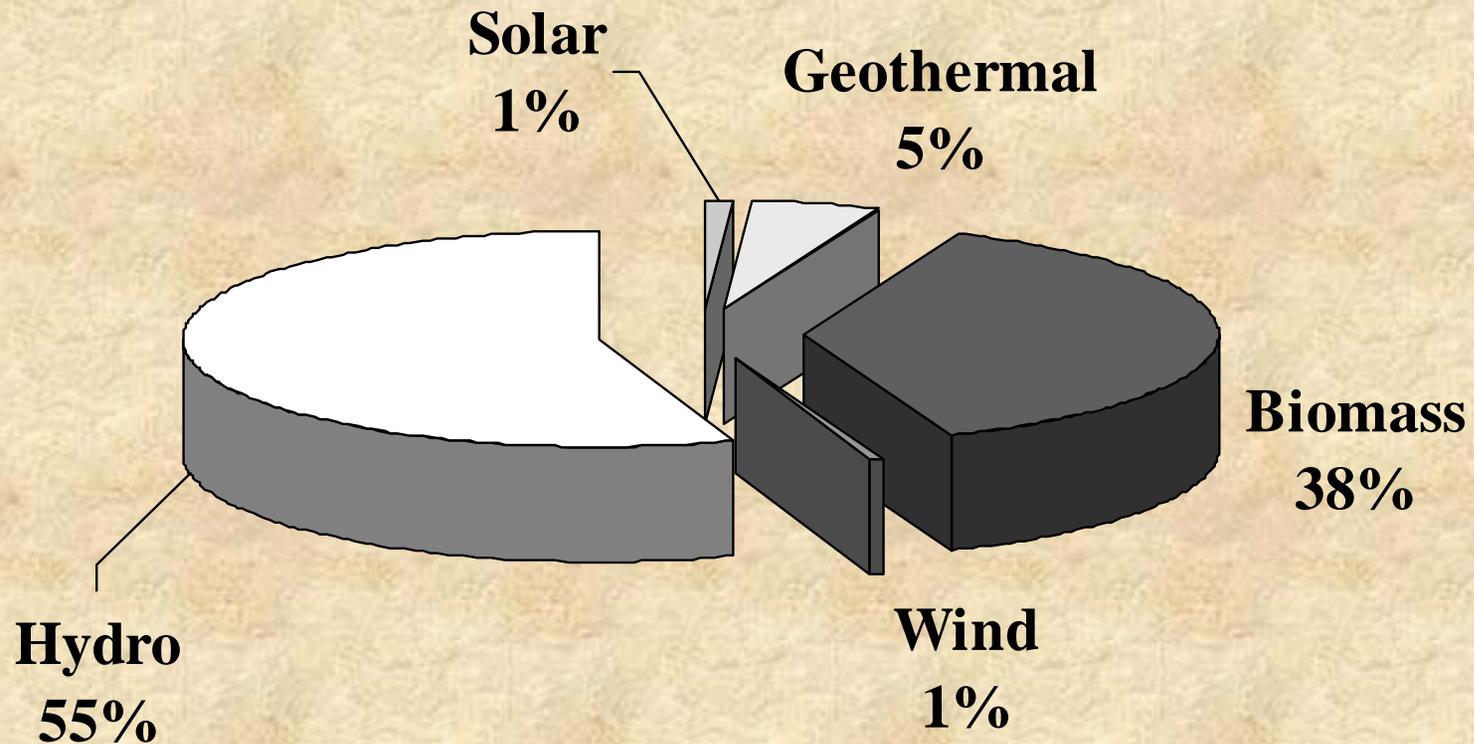


U.S. Energy Consumption, 2004



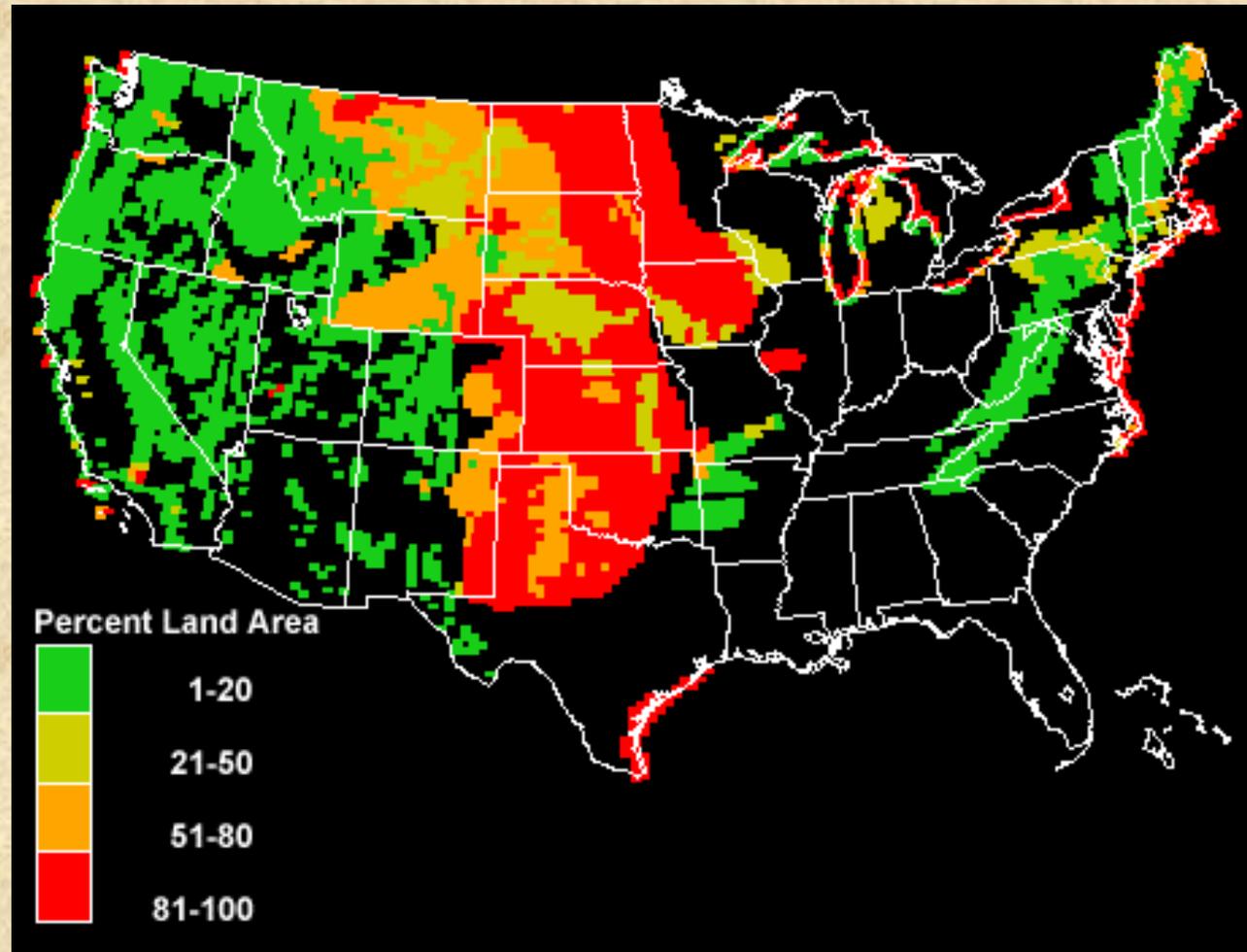


Renewable Electricity Generation, 2004





Percent U.S. Land Area with Wind Resource Class 3 or Above



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Rolling Thunder

- Generate \$6.6 million in revenues for landowners per year
- Generate \$16.9 million in tax revenues for South Dakota per year
- Create 14,440 jobs including manufacturing, construction and operations





Buyers and Markets

4 Possible Scenarios

Build Out

- National energy and environmental policy produces large and sustained transmission investments to move wind power from Great Plains to southern States

WAPA Reform

- Changes in transmission operations and WAPA purchases creates favorable environment for wind development

Utility Coalition

- Utilities pursue changes to state policies that allow them to buy least cost renewables first

Incrementalism

- Slow, intermittent purchases by local utilities



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Manufacturing

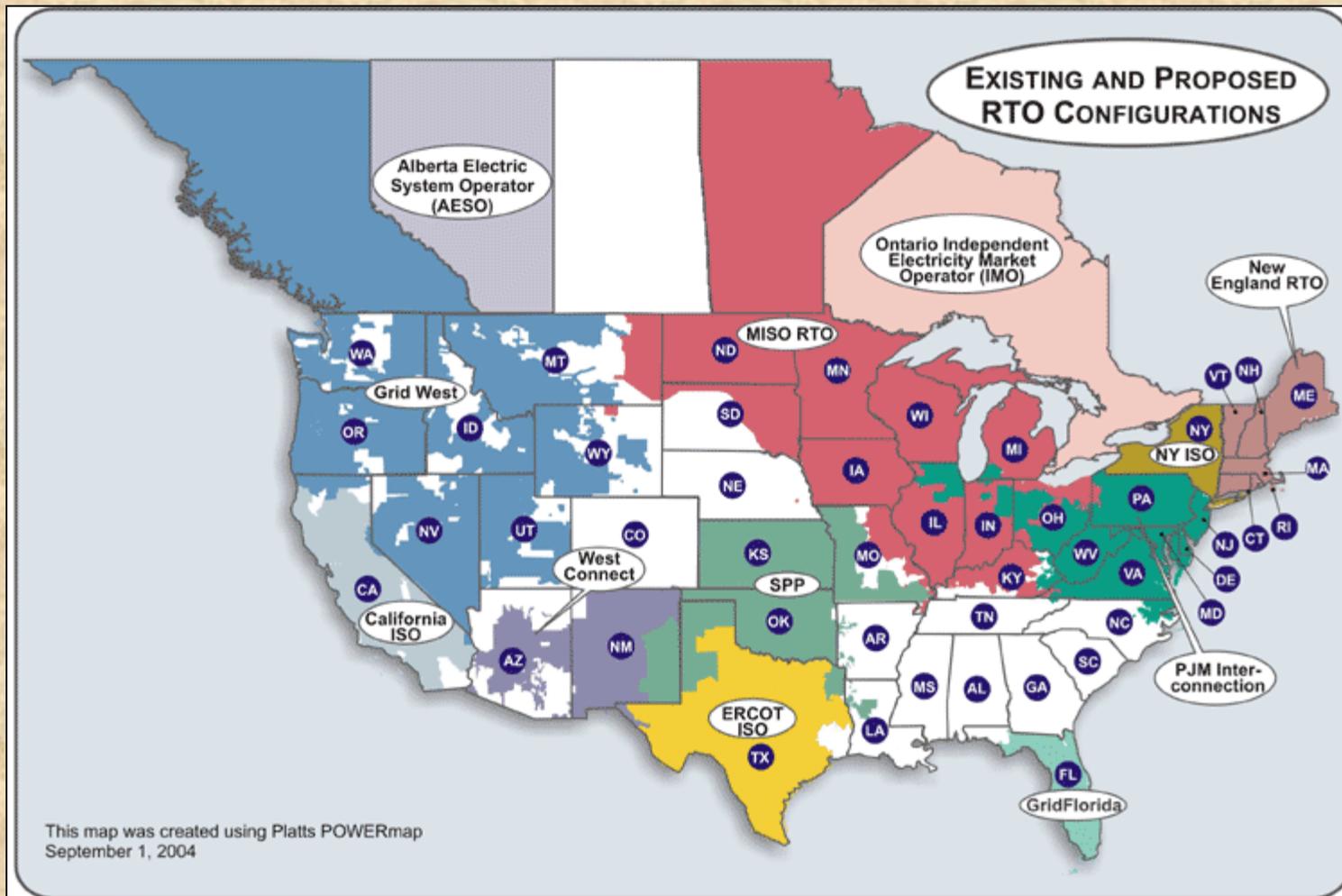
Job creation at our Cedar Rapids plant:

- Number of employees: 141
- Payroll: \$6 million
- Average annual wage: \$41,850
- Average hourly wage: \$20.12
- Total throughput at Capacity: \$300 million





Regional Transmission Organizations



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