



Kern Citizens for  
**ENERGY**

# KNOW THE FACTS

*Oil & Natural Gas  
For Healthy Communities*



**K**ern Citizens for Energy is a coalition of small business owners, nonprofits, chambers of commerce, taxpayer advocates, energy companies, local elected officials and residents who support a robust oil and gas industry in Kern County.

Our coalition exists to champion this important industry and the thousands of men and women who work in the oil sector in Kern County.

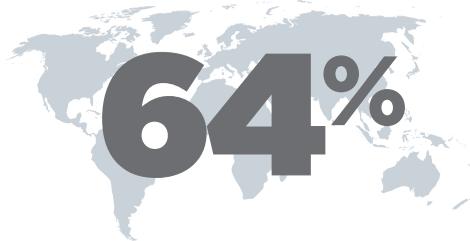
Local oil and gas production will foster healthy communities by providing jobs, reducing our dependence on foreign oil and increasing revenues for Kern County schools, roads and public safety.

Oil and gas production has been taking place in Kern County for over a century, governed by an ever-increasing body of regulations – including air quality, water quality, endangered species protections

and greenhouse gas reduction requirements. The petroleum industry has abided by these regulations and ensured that we maintain local control of decision-making and that all environmental and safety precautions are in place so that the industry can provide jobs and drive the economy in Kern for decades to come.



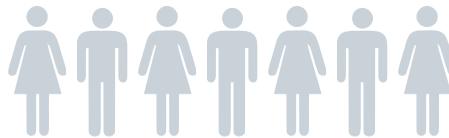
California has abundant natural resources yet we currently import



# 64%

of our total energy needs. Taking advantage of the rich resources right beneath us will provide job opportunities for those in our own state.

# 40,000 local jobs



The industry contributes nearly \$300 million dollars in annual Kern County property taxes. These revenues represent



of all property taxes paid and support our local schools, roads and public safety.

“Our barber shop depends on the oil and gas industry. Join us and show your support for Kern Citizens for Energy.”

- Dale Painters & Dave Miranda, Owners of All American Barber Shoppe





*“The Boys & Girls Clubs of Kern County would not be able to carry out our mission without our true partners in the oil and gas industry. Kern County is home to some of the most successful and thriving nonprofits in the country and this is due in large part to the generosity of those in the petroleum industry. This industry plays a vital role as a philanthropic muscle for our local nonprofits.”*

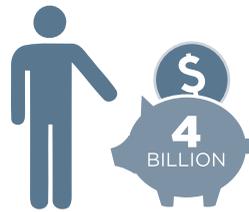
**- Zane Smith, Executive Director,  
Boys & Girls Clubs of Kern County**



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The petroleum industry contributes nearly \$300 million in sales tax annually.



Oil and gas production accounts for more than \$4 billion in income in Kern County families each year. This is nearly twice the annual budget for the entire county!



At more than \$6.3 billion dollars, the **oil industry is responsible for nearly 20%** of Kern County's gross domestic product (GDP).

# WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Join our coalition today and show your support for the thousands of current and future jobs provided to our community by the oil and gas industry!

Go to **www.KernCitizensforEnergy.com** and add your name to our growing list of supporters. We will keep you updated on the issues and additional ways for you to get involved.

**There is no cost to join KCE!**

*Join now!*

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