

# Know The Facts

## Oil & Natural Gas



Kern 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.



Without a thriving oil and gas industry, our local public safety departments would not receive the critical revenues needed to protect and support our community. Kern County Firefighters IAFF 1301 supports Kern Citizens for Energy and the many men and women that provide the energy we all need.

**DAVID NELSON**

*President of the Kern County Firefighters Association, Local 1301*



**35,216**  
local jobs



Supported by a thriving oil and gas industry in Kern County



**8 of the top 10**

Kern County taxpayers are energy companies

**\$89,095**

average annual oil and gas salary



Kern County is the  
**#13** oil-producing county in the U.S. with  
**90 million** barrels of oil annually produced



# \$13.5 billion



**direct annual revenue to  
Kern County's economy**

## Kern County produced

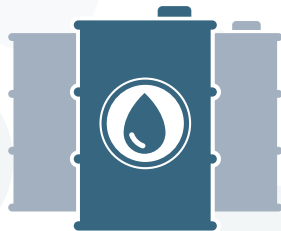


# 72%

**of California's oil,  
yet the U.S. imports  
approximately**

# 8.98 million

**barrels of oil per day**



As someone deeply invested in our community's prosperity, I proudly support the oil and gas industry and the invaluable opportunities it brings, particularly to underserved communities. This industry provides not only essential jobs but also second chances for individuals, including those who are impacted by the justice system. Career opportunities with livable wages foster economic empowerment and stability for countless families. Kern Citizens for Energy's unwavering advocacy for the oil and gas industry highlights its significance and ensures its continued growth. Together, we can champion these vital sectors, creating pathways to success for everyone in our community.

**JUAN AVILA**

*COO, Garden Pathways Inc.*



## 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](http://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!*



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