

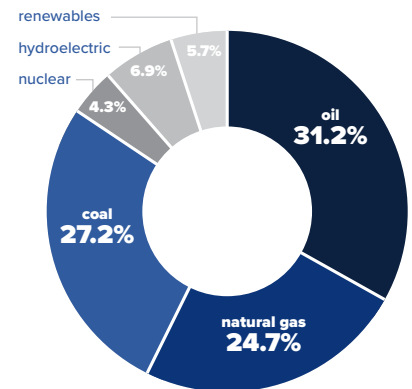
As conversations about the world's energy resources continue to shape national and global headlines, there's one fact that cannot be ignored: **Access to affordable and readily available energy is vital for quality of life and economic development.**

Nearly 3 billion people around the world live in energy poverty, meaning they have no reliable access to electricity. Almost 4 million people die every year from household air pollution, primarily due to particulate emissions from heating and cooking with wood and other biofuels. When policies and financing limit the availability of fossil fuels, living standards and economic opportunities are hindered for the world's poor. Limitations also pose serious geopolitical risks to the United States and allied countries.

Fossil fuels currently comprise 80% of global energy demand. As populations grow, energy demand will continue to grow as well. Vast fossil fuel reserves throughout the United States can support our domestic energy needs and aid international markets through the export of liquified natural gas (LNG) and natural gas liquids (NGLs) for many years to come.

Primary Global Energy Consumption (2020)

Data source: BP Statistical Review



there's a clear solution:

Pair existing fossil fuel resources with new technologies to support the development of a broad portfolio of clean energy resources worldwide. Enabling additional supplies of clean, affordable, and reliable natural gas to be produced and exported is the most logical and quickest way to reduce emissions while also significantly improving the quality of life for billions of people in developing nations around the world.

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