

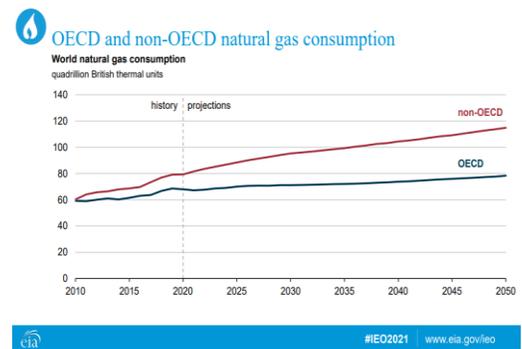
THE ENERGY, CLIMATE, & CONSERVATION TASK FORCE

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Under Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy's Commitment to America, he created seven Republican Task Forces to identify and develop policy solutions to the issues facing the American people.

The Energy, Climate, and Conservation (ECC) Task Force is creating an agenda that is informed by the successes of conservative principles, which have made the United States the most innovative and efficient producer of energy and natural resources in the world. This agenda will deliver lower energy costs for consumers, create American jobs, and provide economic and energy security for American families by utilizing American assets and capitalizing on the American advantage through effective, achievable, and practical solutions. We can do all this while also lowering global emissions and reducing reliance on foreign adversaries for our energy and resource needs. Republicans understand that increasing U.S. production and advancing American innovation is our competitive advantage over the rest of the world and it should be fostered instead of hindered. This competitive advantage allows us to produce traditional energy sources more efficiently and cleanly, harvest higher crop yields in our agriculture sector, and protect American lives and livelihoods by deploying smart resilience and mitigation investments in conservation and adaptation solutions.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) projects world energy consumption will grow by nearly 50% between 2020 and 2050.¹ In addition, global demand for natural gas is expected to increase 31%-58%, with a 44%-80% increase for non-Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) countries.² Who supplies that energy demand matters. We are among the most efficient producers of resources and goods in the world, and we should be supplying the world. In fact, the United States has been the world leader in reducing carbon emissions while increasing productivity. From 2005-2020, the United States reduced emissions more than the next seven countries combined.³ Meanwhile, China's emissions grew almost four times more than what we reduced.⁴ We led the world in lowering emissions while lowering energy costs for American households. We accomplished this by utilizing American resources - made cheaper by innovation. That should be the model going forward.



Since the announcement of the seven Task Forces last summer, the ECC Task Force has held numerous Member and staff meetings and has met with outside experts and stakeholders. Over the next two months, the ECC Task Force will unveil policy rollouts focusing on key issue areas and policy solutions to support Leader McCarthy's Commitment to America and move our country back into the right direction. The ECC Task Force's key issue areas are as follows: **Unlock American Resources, American Innovation, Let America Build, Beat China and Russia, Conservation with a Purpose, and Build Resilient Communities.**

American resources, American innovation, and American competitiveness to increase energy and economic security, lower global emissions, and reduce dependence on China and Russia.

¹ <https://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.php?id=47342>

² https://www.eia.gov/outlooks/ieo/tables_side.pdf.php

³ <http://www.globalcarbonatlas.org/en/CO2-emissions>

⁴ <https://www.rstreet.org/2021/11/30/international-emission-data-shows-united-states-leading-on-climate-and-developing-nations-increasing-emissions/>