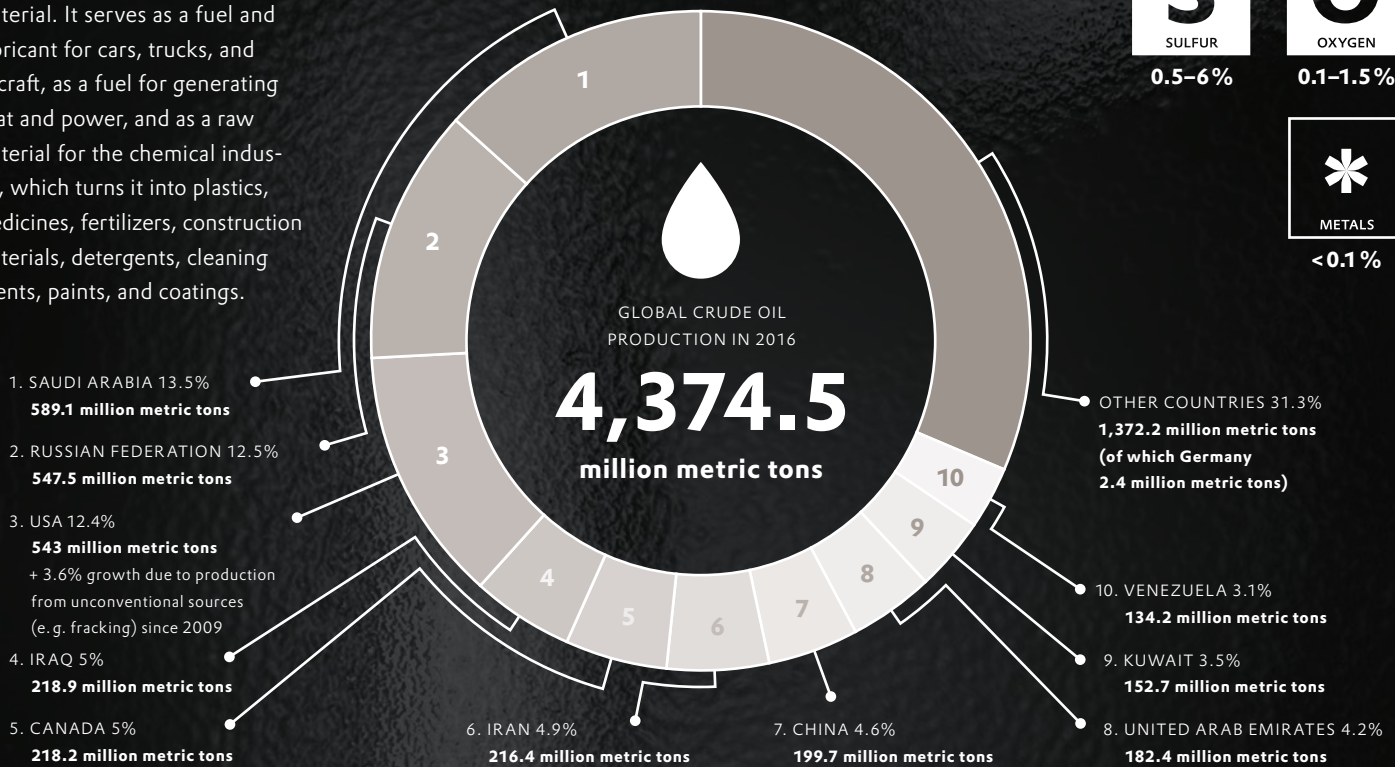


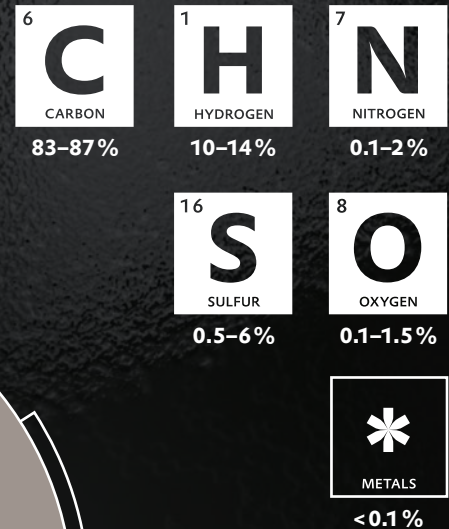
# Talented Crude

Petroleum is more than just an energy carrier—it's also a raw material. It serves as a fuel and lubricant for cars, trucks, and aircraft, as a fuel for generating heat and power, and as a raw material for the chemical industry, which turns it into plastics, medicines, fertilizers, construction materials, detergents, cleaning agents, paints, and coatings.

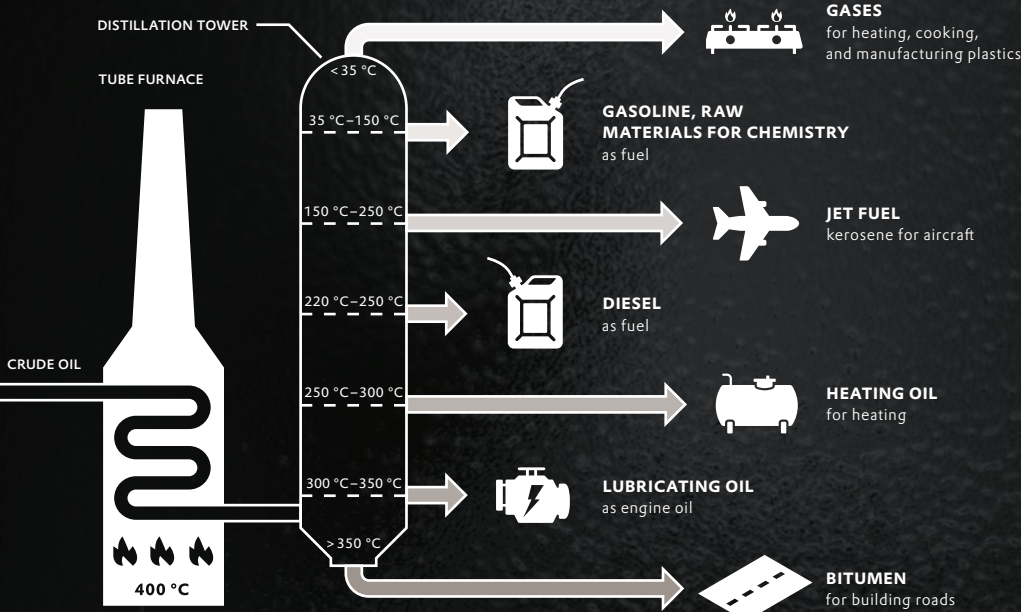
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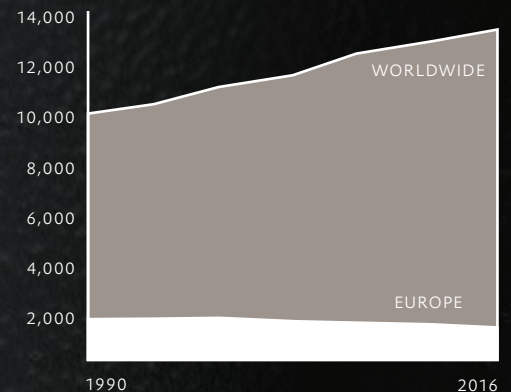
ELEMENTAL COMPOSITION OF CRUDE OIL



PROCESSING OF CRUDE OIL IN REFINERIES



REFINERY CAPACITIES (IN THOUSANDS OF METRIC TONS/DAY)



In Europe, the refinery capacities—i. e. the quantities of crude oil in thousands of metric tons that refineries can process in one day—have remained constant, or even fallen, since 1990. During this period they increased worldwide.