

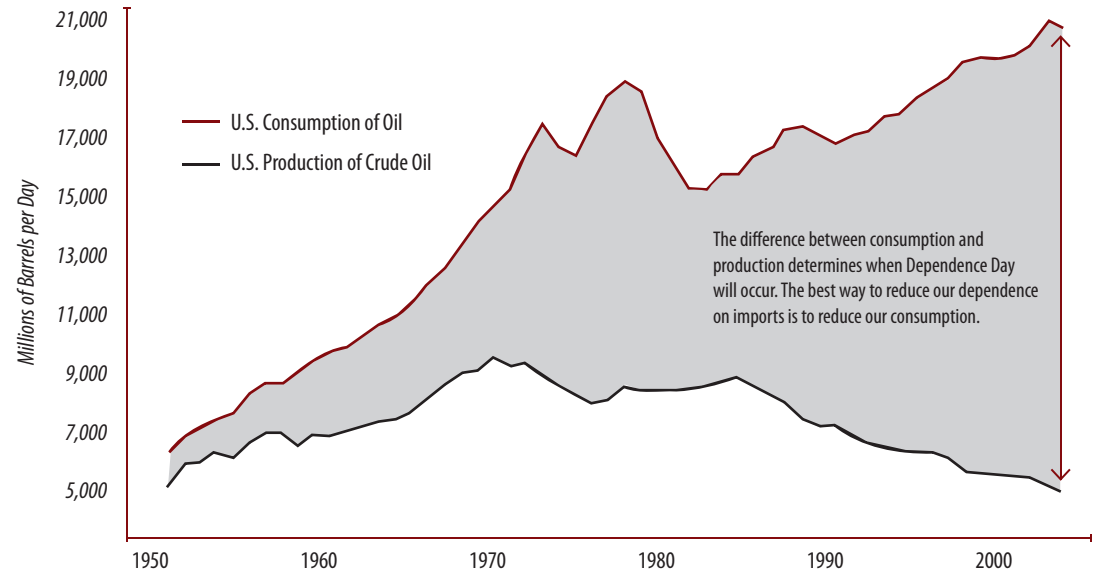
TIMELINE of DEPENDENCE

As America's consumption of oil increases so do our imports. Since 1960, U.S. consumption of oil has more than doubled. Yet America's production has been declining since 1970. As a result U.S. imports have increased by 1100% percent since 1960, jumping from one million barrels per day to 12 million today.

As imports continue to rise, Dependence Day—the day each year, when the U.S. effectively runs out of domestic oil—will occur earlier and earlier. In 1950, Dependence Day occurred in mid November. In 2006, the U.S. will effectively rely on foreign oil every day from May 31 until the end of the year. For seven months, we will

fill up our cars and trucks only with foreign oil and send billions of dollars overseas. In 2006, Americans will spend \$232 billion—nearly \$450,000 every minute—to help fund foreign governments. Under current projections, by 2025 Dependence Day will occur as early as April.

With less than two percent of the world's remaining oil, no amount of drilling will solve this problem. The only way for the U.S. to end its dependence on foreign imports is to end its dependence on oil. We possess all of the talents and resources necessary to meet this challenge; all that is lacking is the political leadership required for America to break free of oil.



Dependence Day Is Occurring Earlier Each Year

