



# ANWR

## INFORMATION BRIEF

### **The Facts:** *94.5% of North Slope oil is sold to U.S. markets (1996-1999)*

### **They say:** *ALL of Alaska's oil is being exported*

Opponents to oil and gas exploration in the Coastal Plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge tell people that 100 percent of the oil produced on Alaska's North Slope is being exported.

#### **Try 5.5 percent.**

The facts, according to the state of Alaska's Department of Revenue, are that 94.5 percent of North Slope oil produced between 1996 and the end of 1999 was

sold to U.S. domestic markets in the western states, including Hawaii. In 1999, this percentage increased to 8.5 percent.

Under 1996 federal legislation allowing the export of Alaska North Slope oil, the President has the authority at any time to suspend exports of oil if the national interest requires it. Exports of North Slope oil were not allowed between 1977, when the trans-Alaska oil pipeline was completed, and 1996.

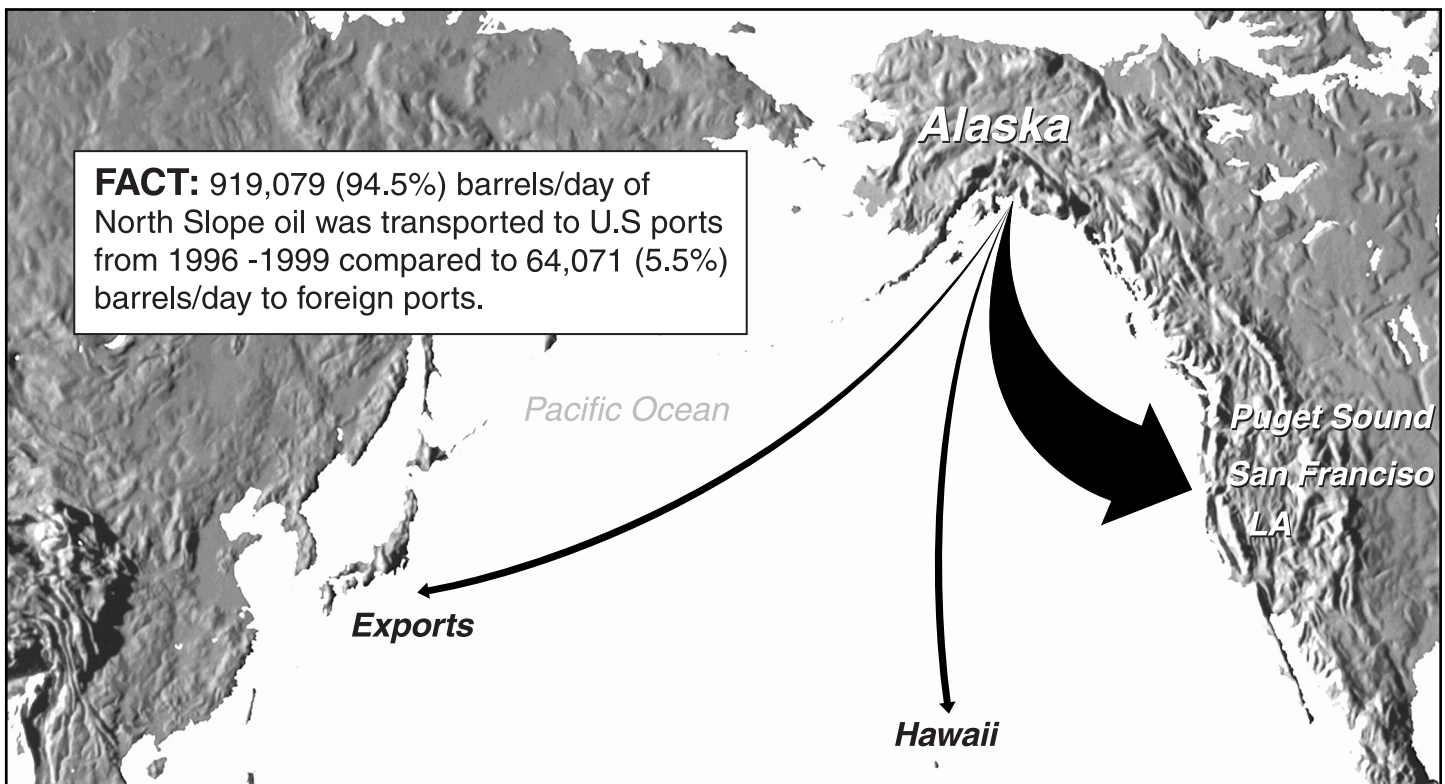
In 1999, West Coast exports of refined products (gasoline, kerosene and jet fuel)

and crude oil to foreign ports, excluding Alaska exports, totaled 236,000 barrels a day. This equals nearly 3 times the amount of oil exported from Alaska.

During 1999, here's where Alaska crude oil was sold:

<b>Puget Sound:</b>	<b>419,521 barrels/day</b>
<b>San Francisco</b>	<b>123,870 barrels/day</b>
<b>Los Angeles</b>	<b>333,006 barrels/day</b>
<b>Hawaii</b>	<b>42,682 barrels/day</b>
<b>Exports</b>	<b>78,763 barrels/day</b>

*Source: Alaska Department of Revenue*

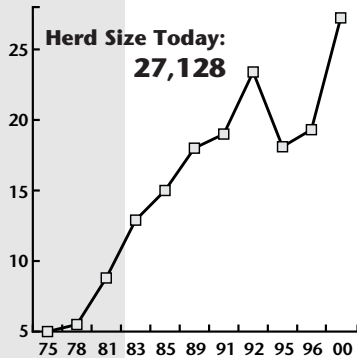


# Arctic caribou herds

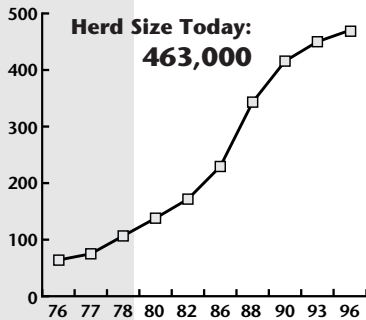
Caribou herd populations rise and fall in natural cycles. Herd sizes in the Porcupine and Central Arctic herds appear to have peaked and are declining, while the Western Arctic and Teshepuk herds are still increasing.

## Central Arctic Herd:

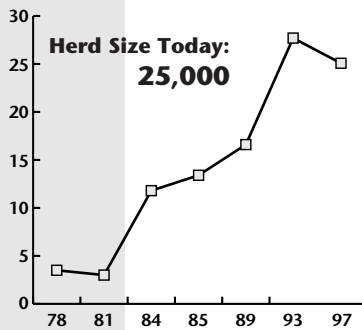
Number of caribou times 1,000



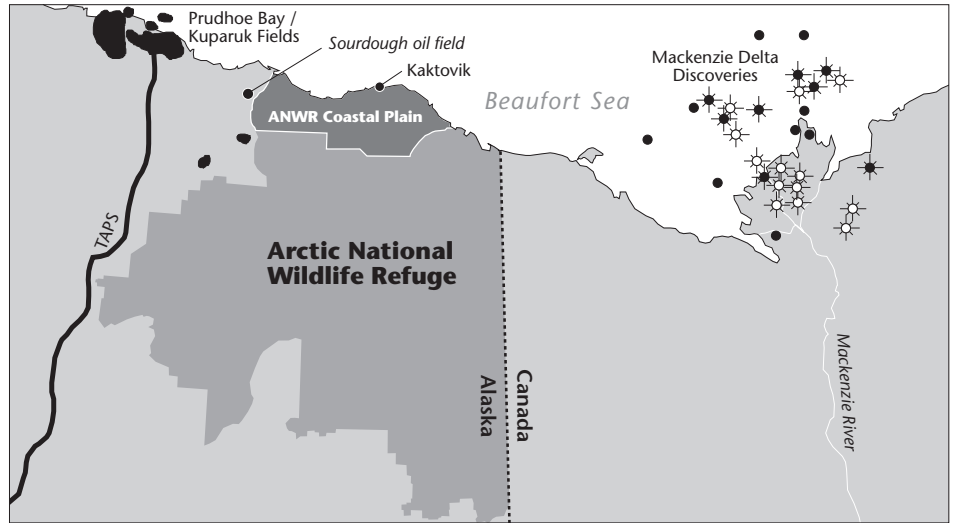
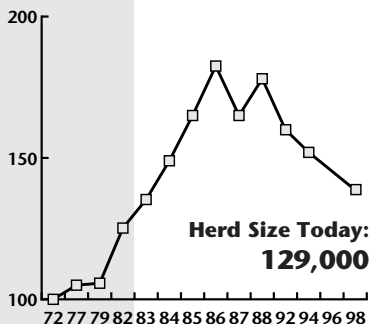
## Western Arctic Herd:



## Teshepuk Herd:



## Porcupine Herd:



Source: Alaska Department of Natural Resources

# ANWR has the nation's best potential for major additions to U.S. oil supplies

Most geologists think the Coastal Plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge has the best prospects for major additions to U.S. domestic oil supply. This is the part of the coastal plain set aside by Congress in 1980 for further study of its petroleum potential. There is a chance that very large oil and gas fields, similar to the Prudhoe Bay area further west, could be discovered in ANWR's coastal plain.

The Coastal Plain has very attractive geology and lies between areas of the Alaska North Slope and the Canadian Beaufort Sea where there have been major oil and gas discoveries. Oil and gas deposits have been discovered near ANWR's western border, and a recent oil discovery may result in the first pipeline built to western boundary of the Coastal Plain.

Although the Coastal Plain was reserved for study of its oil potential, Congress must act to open it for oil and gas exploration. Alaskans and residents of the North Slope, including the Inupiat community of Kaktovik, within ANWR, widely support exploring the Coastal Plain.

### ANWR Facts:

- Refuge totals 19.6 million acres.
- 8 million acres designated Wilderness;
- Coastal Plain, 1.5 million acres, set aside by Congress for study of oil potential;
- Only a small percentage of Coastal plain, about 2,000 acres, would be impacted by oil development;

### The coastal plain is not a pristine wilderness:

- About 40 guide outfits offer hunting and recreation services in the coastal plain; A community, Kaktovik, exists in the Coastal Plain, Military installations operate in the plain now and in the past.

# ANWR development could create 736,000 new jobs — nationwide

### Where the jobs are:

WEFA calculates the breakdown of types of employment

Category	Jobs
Manufacturing	128,000
Mining (incl. oil)	84,000
Trade	225,000
Services	145,000
Construction	135,000
FIRE*	19,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>736,000</b>

\* Finance, Insurance, Real Estate

Source: Wharton Econometric Forecasting Associates  
ANWR development will create thousands of new domestic jobs.

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