This State Energy Risk Profile examines the relative magnitude of the risks that the State of Kentucky’s energy infrastructure routinely encounters in comparison with the probable impacts. Natural and man-made hazards with the potential to cause disruption of the energy infrastructure are identified.

The Risk Profile highlights risk considerations relating to the electric, petroleum and natural gas infrastructures to become more aware of risks to these energy systems and assets.

KENTUCKY STATE FACTS

State Overview
Population: 4.40 million (1% total U.S.)
Housing Units: 1.94 million (1% total U.S.)
Business Establishments: 0.09 million (1% total U.S.)

Annual Energy Consumption
Electric Power: 89.1 TWh (2% total U.S.)
Coal: 40,100 MSTN (5% total U.S.)
Natural Gas: 211 Bcf (1% total U.S.)
Motor Gasoline: 45,400 Mbarrels (2% total U.S.)
Distillate Fuel: 30,000 Mbarrels (2% total U.S.)

Annual Energy Production
Electric Power Generation: 89.9 TWh (2% total U.S.)
Coal: 82.8 TWh, 92% [18 GW total capacity]
Petroleum: 1.5 TWh, 2% [0.1 GW total capacity]
Natural Gas: 2.9 TWh, 3% [6.2 GW total capacity]
Nuclear: 0 TWh, 0% [0 GW total capacity]
Hydro: 2.4 TWh, 3% [0.8 GW total capacity]
Other Renewable: 0 TWh, 0% [0.1 GW total capacity]

Coal: 90,900 MSTN (9% total U.S.)
Natural Gas: 110 Bcf (<1% total U.S.)
Crude Oil: 3,200 Mbarrels (<1% total U.S.)
Ethanol: 800 Mbarrels (<1% total U.S.)

NATURAL HAZARDS OVERVIEW

Annual Frequency of Occurrence of Natural Hazards in Kentucky (1996–2014)

- According to NOAA, the most common natural hazard in Kentucky is Thunderstorm & Lightning, which occurs once every 3.8 days on the average during the months of March to October.

The second-most common natural hazard in Kentucky is Flood, which occurs once every 6.5 days on the average.

Annualized Property Loss due to Natural Hazards in Kentucky (1996–2014)

- As reported by NOAA, the natural hazard in Kentucky that caused the greatest overall property loss during 1996 to 2014 is Thunderstorm & Lightning at $32.4 million per year.

The natural hazard with the second-highest property loss in Kentucky is Flood at $30.4 million per year.
Electric Power Plants: 44 (<1% total U.S.)
- Coal-fired: 20 (2% total U.S.)
- Petroleum-fired: 2 (<1% total U.S.)
- Natural Gas-fired: 13 (<1% total U.S.)
- Nuclear: 0 (0% total U.S.)
- Hydro-electric: 7 (<1% total U.S.)
- Other Renewable: 2 (<1% total U.S.)

Transmission Lines:
- High-Voltage (>230 kV): 4,647 Miles
- Low-Voltage (<230 kV): 6,114 Miles
Electric Transmission

According to NERC, the leading cause of electric transmission outages in Kentucky is **Severe Weather - Thunderstorm**.

Kentucky experienced **37 electric transmission outages** from 1992 to 2009, affecting a total of **1,295,825** electric customers.

**Severe Weather - Thunderstorm** affected the largest number of electric customers as a result of electric transmission outages.

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### Electric Customers Disrupted by NERC-Reported Electric Transmission Outages by Cause (1992–2009)

Data Source: NERC

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### Electric Distribution

**Electric Utility Reported Power Outages by Month (2008–2013)**

Between 2008 and 2013, the greatest number of electric outages in Kentucky has occurred during the month of **December**.

The leading cause of electric outages in Kentucky during 2008 to 2013 was **Weather/Falling Trees**.

On average, the number of people affected annually by electric outages during 2008 to 2013 in Kentucky was **265,898**.

The average duration of electric outages in Kentucky during 2008 to 2013 was **3,018 minutes or 50.3 hours** a year.

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### Causes of Electric-Utility Reported Outages (2008–2013)

Data Source: Eaton

### Utility Outage Data (2008–2013)

Data Source: Eaton

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NOTE: # of Incidents – The number within each pie slice is the number of event incidents attributable to each cause.
PETROLEUM

Petroleum Infrastructure Overview
- Refineries: 2 (1% total U.S.)
- Terminals: 29 (1% total U.S.)
- Crude Pipelines: 550 Miles (1% total U.S.)
- Product Pipelines: 3,360 Miles (1% total U.S.)
- Bio-Refineries (Ethanol): 2 (1% total U.S.)
Petroleum Transport

Top Events Affecting Petroleum Transport by Truck and Rail (1986–2014)

The leading event type affecting the transport of petroleum product by rail and truck in Kentucky during 1986 to 2014 was Incorrect Operation for rail transport and Miscellaneous/Unknown for truck transport, with an average 0.9 (or one every 1.1 years) and 6.8 incidents per year, respectively.

Petroleum Refinery

The leading cause of petroleum refinery disruptions in Kentucky from 2003 to 2014 was Maintenance/Turnaround. Kentucky’s petroleum refineries experienced 74 major incidents from 2003 to 2014. The average production impact from disruptions of Kentucky’s refineries from 2003 to 2014 is 55.6 thousand barrels per day.
ENERGY SECTOR RISK PROFILE

State of Kentucky

NATURAL GAS

Natural Gas Infrastructure Overview
Gas Wells: 18,087 (4% total U.S.)
Processing Plants: 3 (1% total U.S.)
Storage Fields: 21 (5% total U.S.)
Interstate Pipelines: 8,880 Miles (2% total U.S.)
Local Distribution Companies: 82 (5% total U.S.)
Natural Gas Transport

The leading event type affecting natural gas transmission and distribution pipelines in Kentucky during 1986 to 2014 was **Outside Force** for Transmission Pipelines and **Outside Force** for Distribution Pipelines, with an average 0.42 and 0.65 incidents per year (or one incident every 2.4 and 1.6 years), respectively.


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Data Source: DOT PHMSA

Natural Gas Processing

Insufficient public data are available on major incidents affecting natural gas processing plants in this state.
**DATA SOURCES**

### Overview Information
- Census Bureau (2012) State and County QuickFacts [http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/download_data.html]

### Production Numbers

### Consumption Numbers
- EIA (2013) Prime Supplier Sales Volumes [http://www.eia.gov/dnav/pet/pet_cons_prv_m stimulating#pet_cons_prv_m]

### Electricity
- Platts (2014 Q2) Transmission Lines (Miles by Voltage Level)
- Platts (2014 Q2) Power Plants (Production and Capacity by Type)

### Petroleum
- Argonne National Laboratory (2012) Petroleum Terminal Database
- Argonne National Laboratory (2014) Ethanol Plants
- NPMS (2011) Petroleum Product Pipeline (Miles of Interstate Pipeline)
- NPMS (2011) Crude Pipeline (Miles of Interstate Pipeline)

### Natural Gas
- EIA (2013) Number of Producing Gas Wells [http://www.eia.gov/dnav/ng/ng_prod_wells_s1_a.htm]
- NPMS (2011) Natural Gas Pipeline (Miles of Interstate Pipeline)
- Platts (2014 Q2) Local Distribution Companies (LDCs)

### Event Related

*The NERC disturbance reports are not published after 2009.

### Notes
- Natural Hazard, Other, includes extreme weather events such as astronomical low tide, dense smoke, frost/freeze, and rip currents.
- Each incident type is an assembly of similar causes reported in the data source. Explanations for the indescribable incident types are below.
  - Outside Force refers to pipeline failures due to vehicular accident, sabotage, or vandalism.
  - Natural Forces refers to damage that occurs as a result of naturally occurring events (e.g., earth movements, flooding, high winds, etc.)
  - Miscellaneous/Unknown includes releases or failures resulting from any other cause not listed or of an unknowable nature.
  - Overdemand refers to outages that occur when the demand for electricity is greater than the supply, causing forced curtailment.
  - Number (#) of Incidents – The number within each pie chart piece is the number of outages attributable to each cause.

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