

DOE H₂ Carrier Workshop – Novel Pathways for Optimized Hydrogen Transport & Stationary Storage

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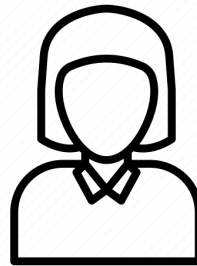


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H₂ and Fuel Cells Technologies Office

Early R&D Focus

Applied research, development and innovation in hydrogen and fuel cell technologies leading to:

- Energy security
- Energy resiliency
- Strong domestic economy

Early R&D Areas



Fuel Cells

- PGM- free catalysts
- Durable MEAs
- Electrode performance



Hydrogen Fuel

- Production Pathways
- Advanced materials for storage



Infrastructure R&D

- Safety
- Manufacturing
- Delivery components
- Others

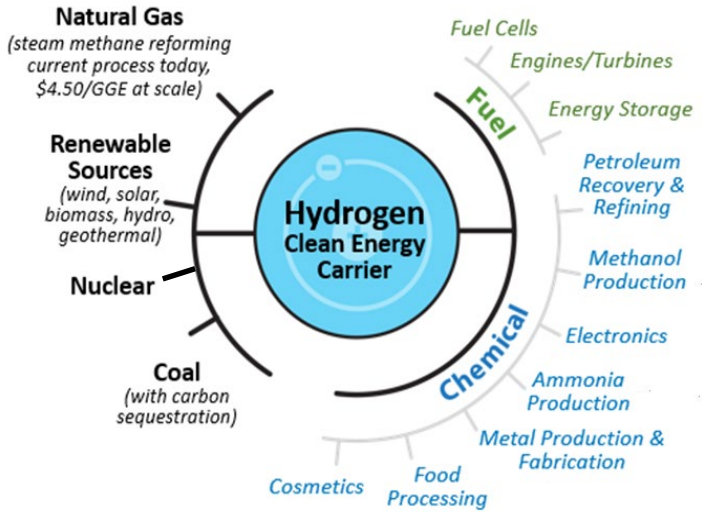
PGM = Platinum group metals
MEA = Membrane Electrode Assembly

Enabling







Why hydrogen and fuel cells?

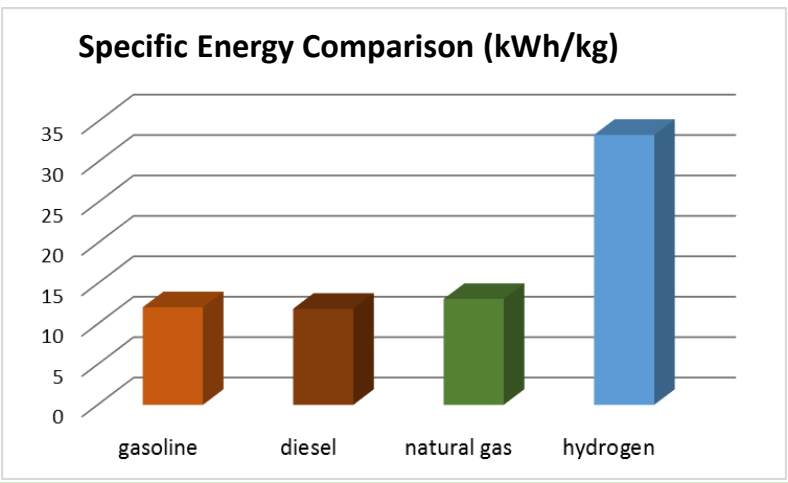
Can be produced from numerous feedstocks and has ~3x more energy per mass compared to other fuels



Are pollution free, reliable, resilient, and can be 2X as efficient as traditional technologies for a range of applications

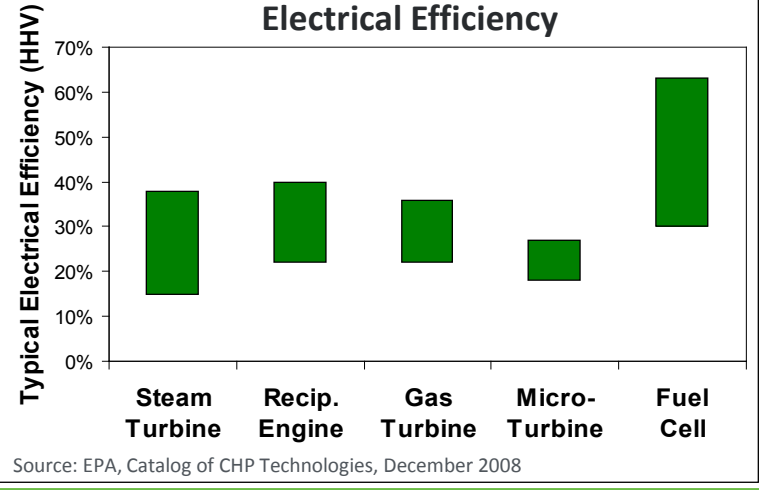
Transportation

	60 MPG Fuel Cell	vs.	<30 MPG Gasoline Engine	
	~6 MPDG Fuel Cell	vs.	~4 MPDG Diesel Engine	



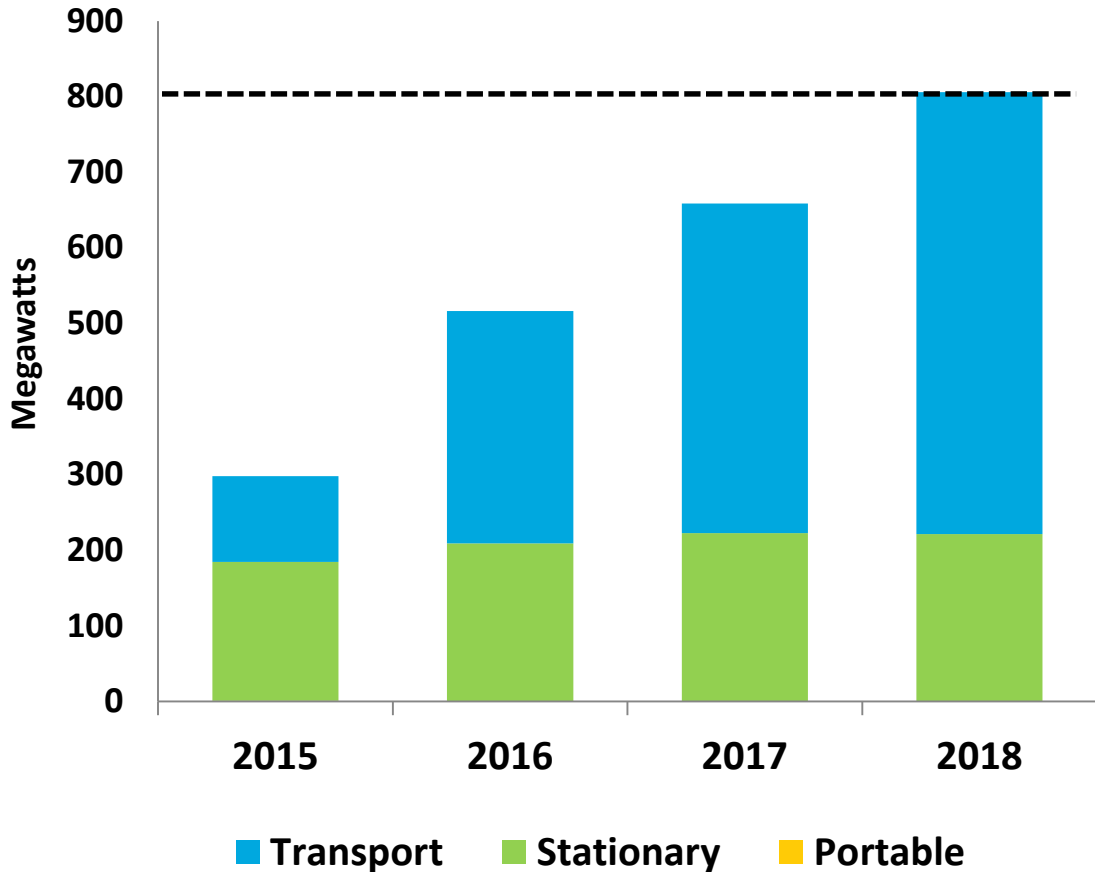
Stationary


Range of electrical efficiencies for distributed power generation technologies





Growth in Global Fuel Cell Power Shipments

Fuel Cell Power Shipped (MW)



 **800 MW**
fuel cell power
shipped worldwide

 **68,500**
fuel cell units
shipped worldwide

 Approximately
\$2.3 Billion
fuel cell revenue*

* Revenue from publicly available

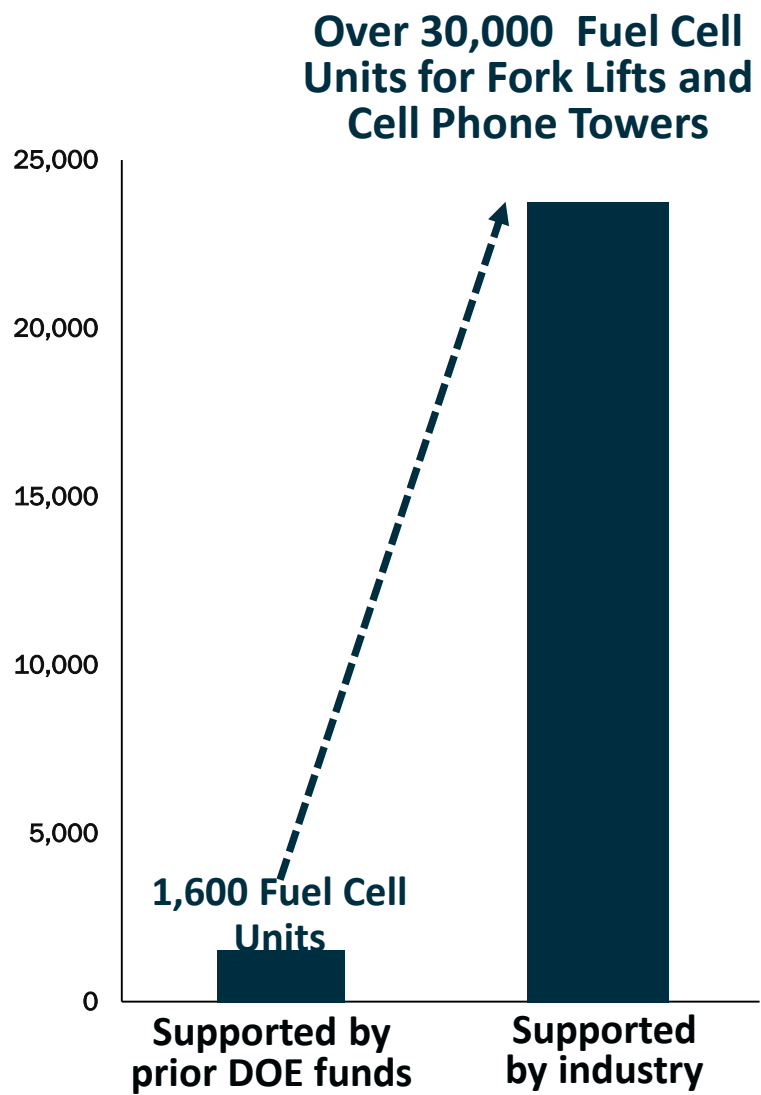
Source: DOE and E4Tech

Market Success: H₂-FC Powered Material Handling



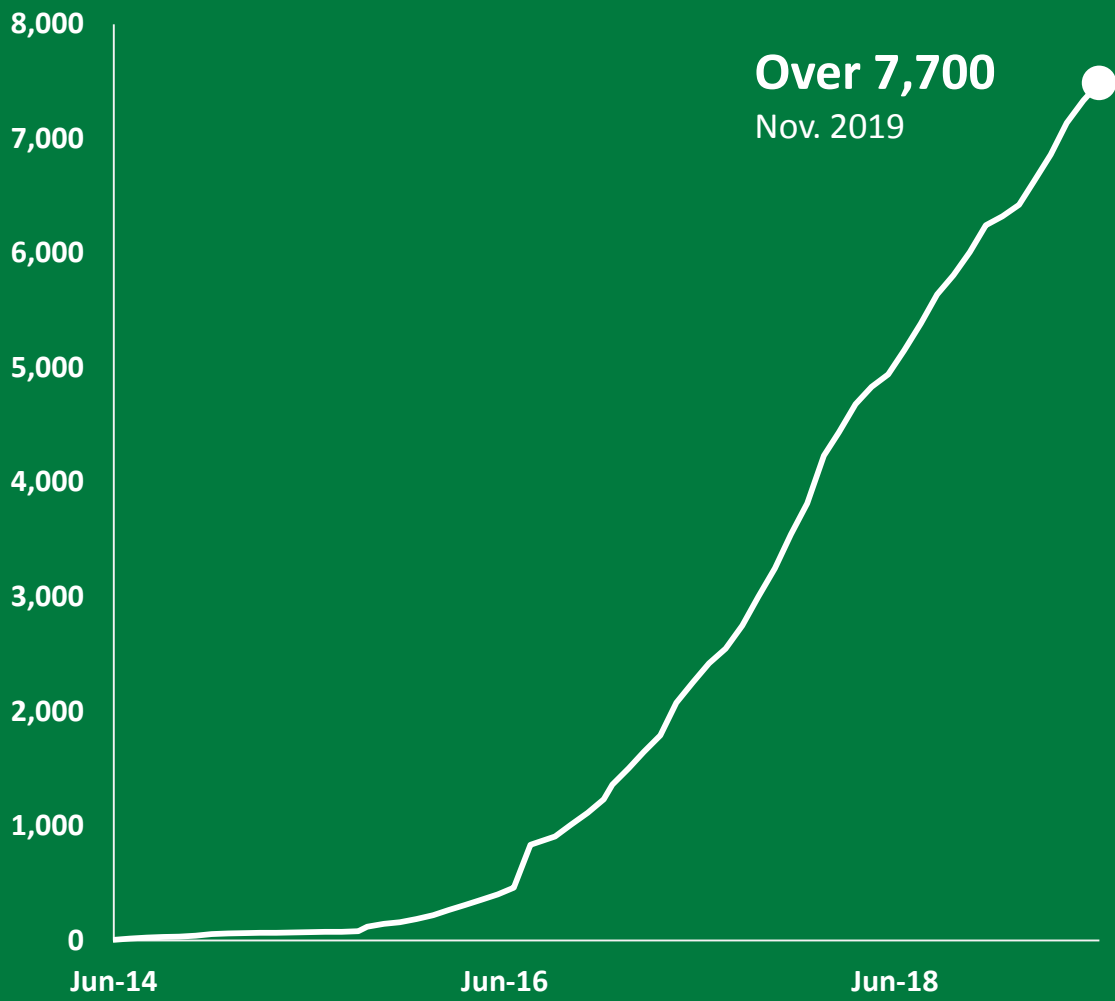
**Over 30,000 fuel cell forklifts
deployed or on order**

**Millions hydrogen refuelings
performed to date**

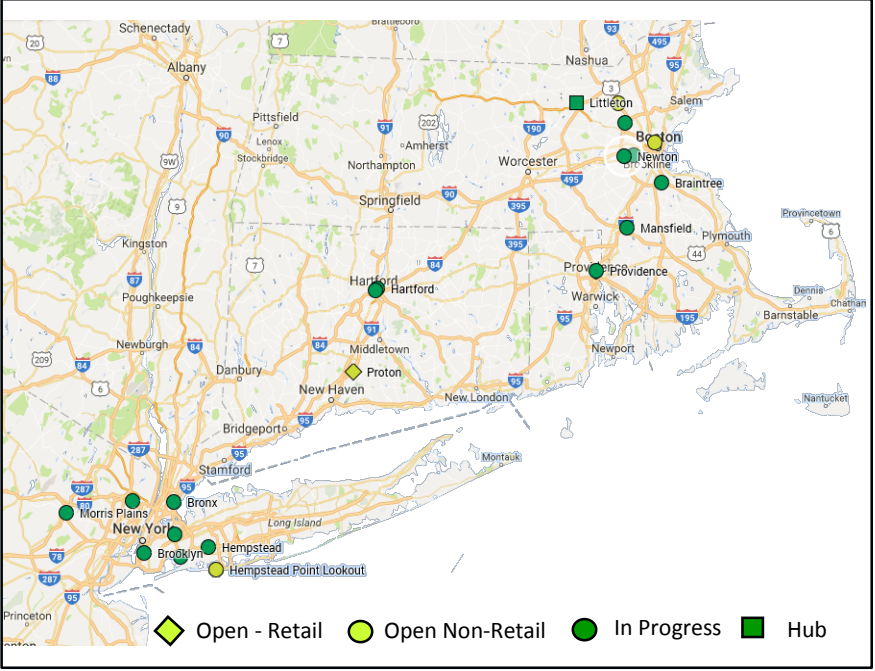


Commercial Fuel Cell Passenger Vehicles in the U.S.

Fuel Cell Cars in the U.S.



H₂ stations now open in selected U.S. regions

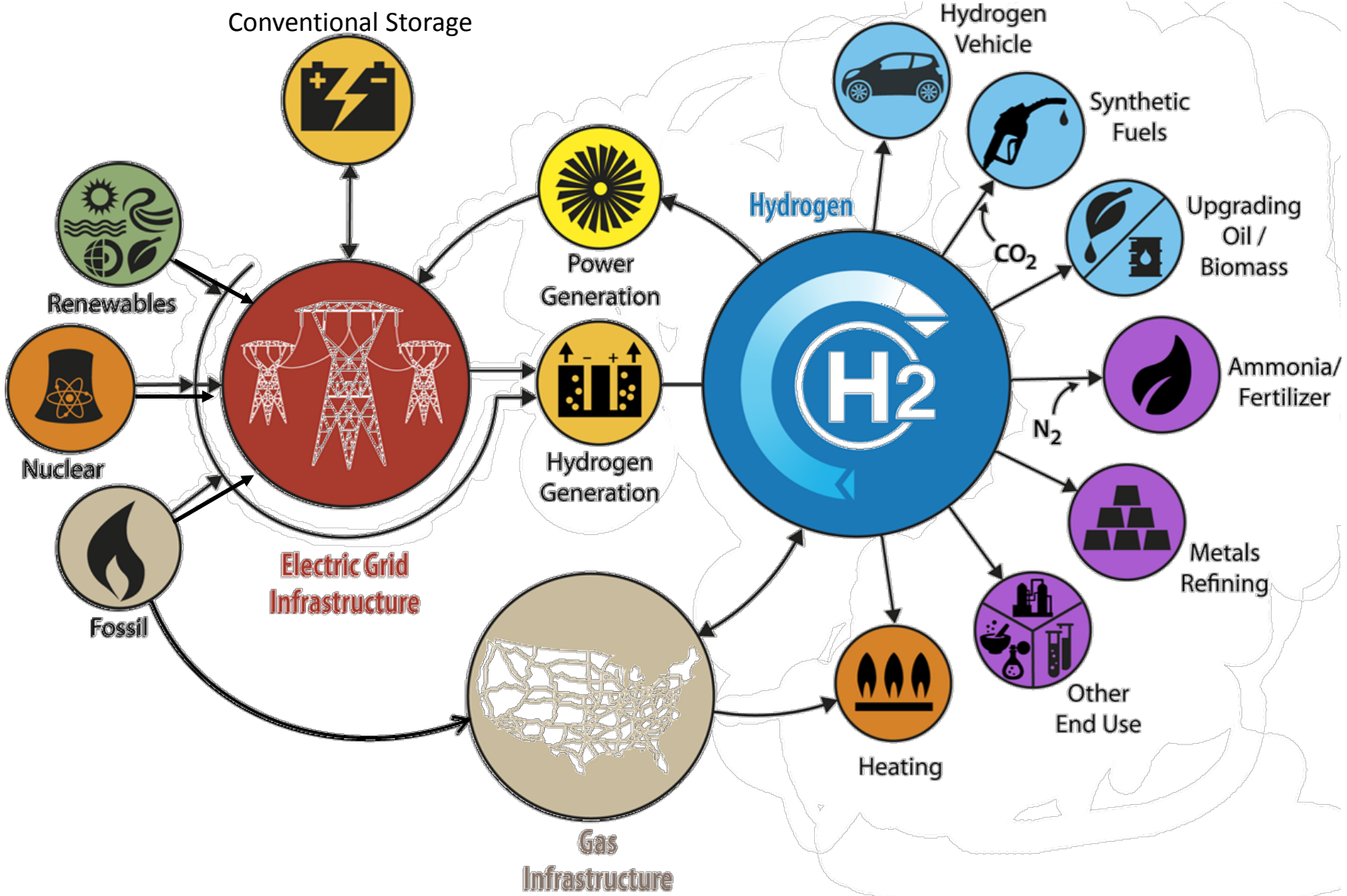


Northeast

Approx. 12 to 25 stations planned

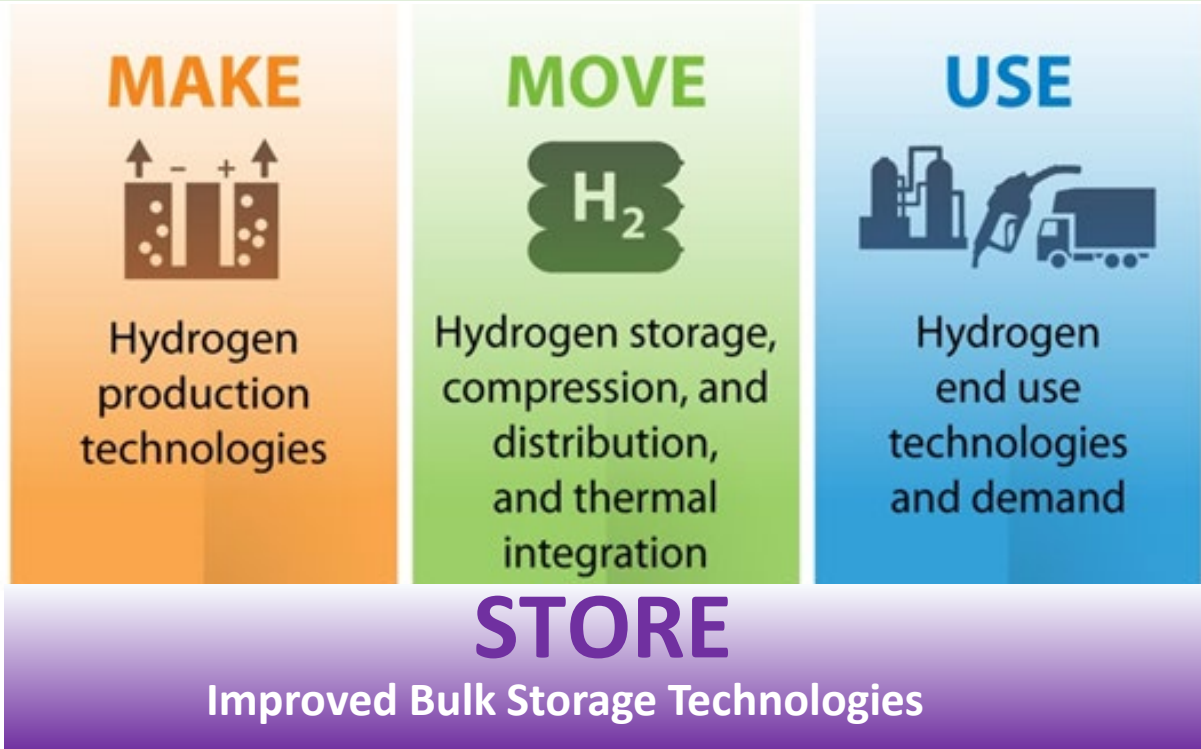
Others with interest: Hawaii, Ohio, Texas, Colorado, South Carolina, and others

H₂@scale: Enabling affordable, reliable, clean, secure energy across sectors



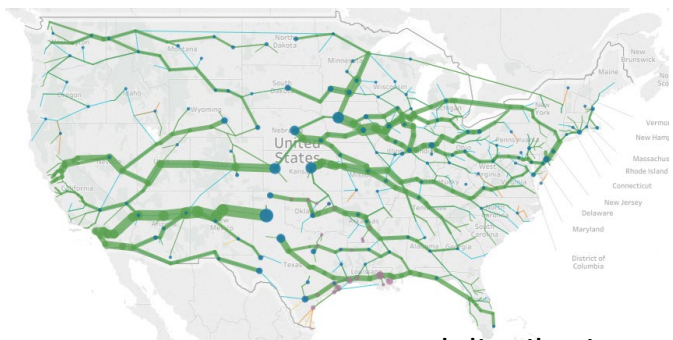
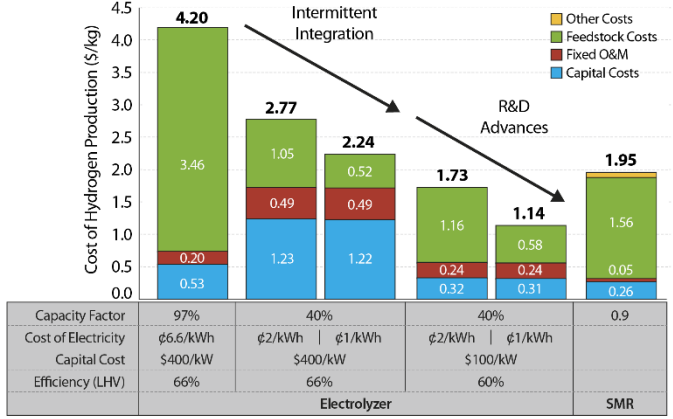
Improving the economics of H2@Scale

Early-stage research is required to evolve and de-risk the technologies



Preliminary

Use	Potential MMT/yr
Refineries & CPI	8
Metals	6
Ammonia	5
Methanol	1
Biofuels	1
Natural Gas	7
Light Duty Vehicles	28
Other Transport	3
Electricity Storage	28
Total	87



Optimizing H₂ storage and distribution

Leveraging of national laboratories' early-stage R&D capabilities needed to develop affordable technologies for production, delivery, and end use applications.

Decreasing cost of H₂ production

https://www.hydrogen.energy.gov/pdfs/review18/tv045_ruth_2018_o.pdf

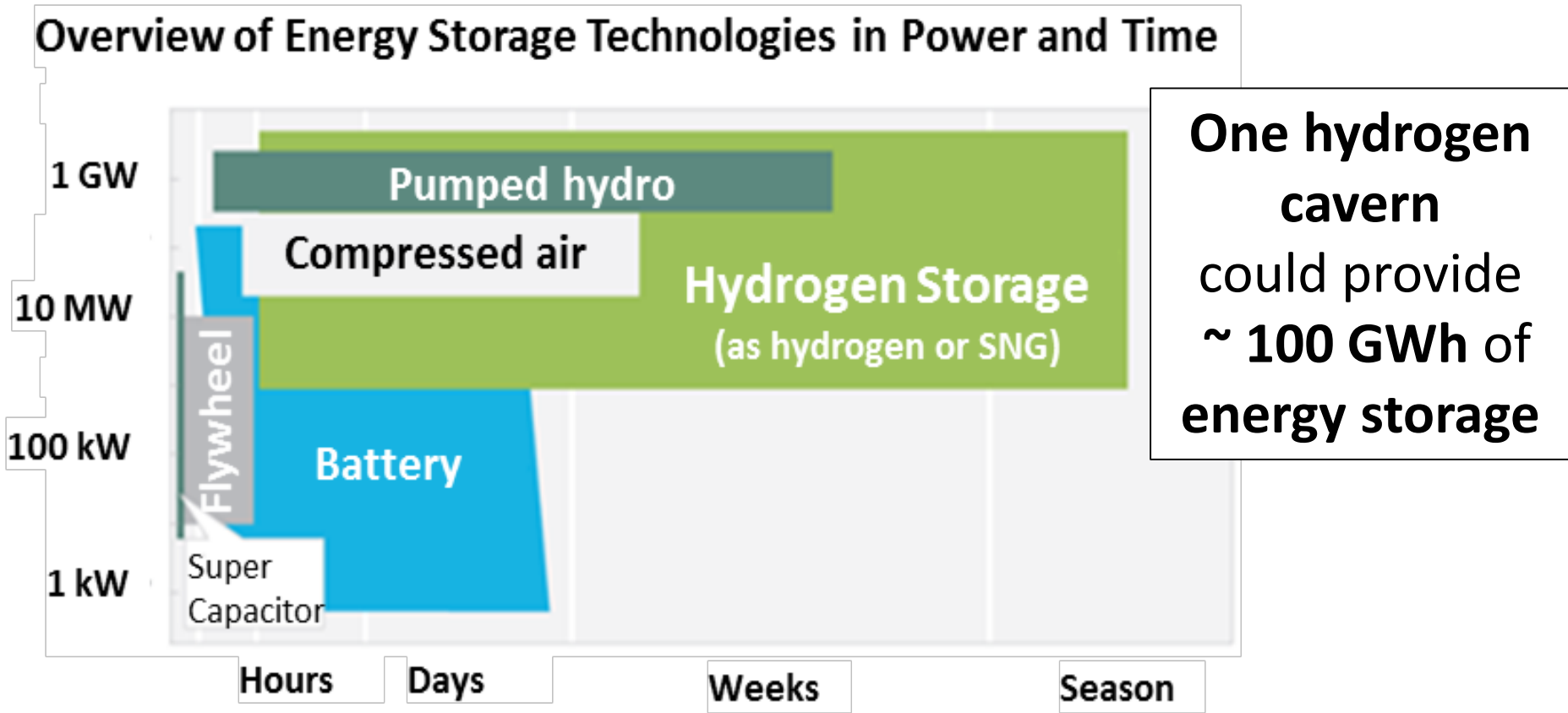
End uses of hydrogen: value proposition

Use	Potential H ₂ Consumption (MMT / yr)	Purpose	Petroleum Reduction (bbl/yr)	NG Reduction (mmBtu/yr)
Refineries	8	<i>Crack heavy crudes, desulfurization</i>	900,000	1,332,000,000
Ammonia	5	<i>Feedstock</i>	500,000	833,000,000
Metals	5	<i>Direct Reduction of Iron</i>		365,000,000
Natural Gas System	7	<i>Combustion</i>	700,000	923,000,000
Biofuels [§]	4	<i>Upgrade biomass</i>	77,500,000	-26,000,000*
Light Duty Vehicles	28	<i>190M fuel cell electric vehicles</i>	1,017,600,000	629,000,000
Other Transport	3	<i>Medium/heavy-duty fuel cell vehicles</i>	113,400,000	51,000,000
Total	60		1.2 Billion bbl	4.1 Quads

~17% of U.S. petroleum consumption in 2016

~14% of U.S. natural gas consumption in 2016

Hydrogen can Provide Long Duration Energy Storage



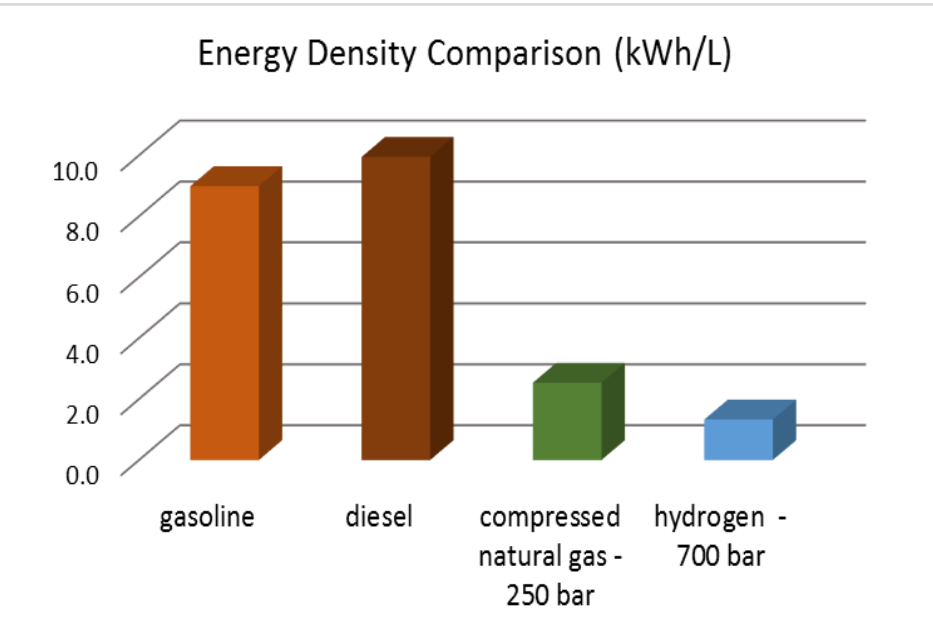
One hydrogen cavern could provide ~ 100 GWh of energy storage

Image: Hydrogen Council

Hydrogen can be used to monetize surplus electricity from the grid, or remote, off-grid energy feedstock (e.g. solar, wind) for days to months.

Challenges for hydrogen as an energy carrier

Very Low Energy Density



Even when compressed to high pressures, H₂ has low energy by volume compared than most other fuels!

H₂ fuel tanks onboard vehicles are larger than typical gasoline tanks

... even with efficiency of the fuel cell is considered

Gasoline

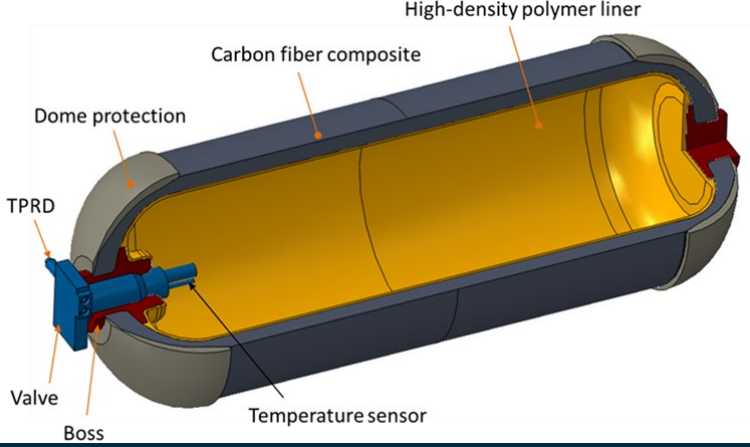


Hydrogen @ 700 bar



~3.5x larger volume than gasoline

Hydrogen is currently stored in Composite Overwrapped Pressure Vessels at 700 bar (~10,000 psig)



Hydrogen is a low-density gas under all practical conditions on earth

Today's H₂ Transport Options

Compressed H₂



Steel jumbo tube trailers: ~300 kg payload



Composite tube trailers: ~700-1000 kg payload

Liquefied H₂



Liquid H₂ tanker trailers: ~4500 kg payload

H₂ Carriers

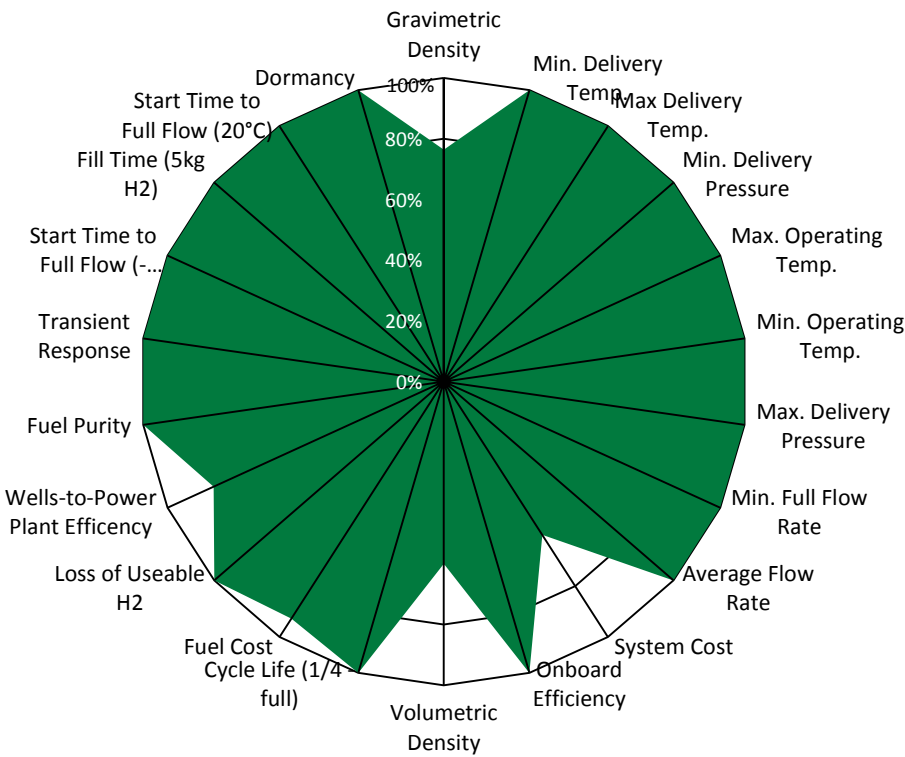


Hydrogen Carriers: >>1000 kg payload? (*and at what cost?*)

Onboard H₂ Storage R&D Targets and Status

Storage Targets	Gravimetric kWh/kg (kg H ₂ /kg system)	Volumetric kWh/L (kg H ₂ /L system)	Costs ¹ \$/kWh (\$/kg H ₂)
2020	1.5 (0.045)	1.0 (0.030)	\$10 (\$333)
2025	1.8 (0.055)	1.3 (0.040)	\$9 (\$300)
Ultimate	2.2 (0.065)	1.7 (0.050)	\$8 (\$266)
Current Status ²			
700 bar compressed (5.6 kg H ₂ , Type IV, Single Tank)	1.5 (0.044)	0.8 (0.025)	\$16 (\$523)

700 Bar Compressed Status² vs. 2025 Targets



¹ Projected at 100,000 units/year

² FCTO Data Record #19xxx, 9/23/2019: *FCTO website – Data Records – to be released soon*

The full set of H₂ storage targets can be found on the Program’s website:
<https://energy.gov/eere/fuelcells/downloads/doe-targets-onboard-hydrogen-storage-systems-light-duty-vehicles>

Questions to consider during the workshop

- Analysis so far has focused on cost comparison with liquid and gaseous H₂ transport, what are other potential advantages of H₂ carriers:
 - Use of existing infrastructure
 - Petroleum pipelines
 - Underground storage tanks
 - Liquid tankers
 - Existing production facilities
 - Reducing current burdens
 - Setback distances for installations
 - Direct generation of pressurized hydrogen
- What applications for H₂ carriers should be targeted
- Key R&D needed to develop and demonstrate H₂ carriers

Thank You

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