

Historic Energy Consumption - United States

Historic energy consumption in the United States from 1776-2022. Wood was the dominant source of energy until the mid- to late- 1800s. Coal and natural gas both came into use in the late 19th century until being overtaken by petroleum products in the middle of the 20th century along with a sharp increase in the use of natural gas. Nuclear power began to make a contribution at the same time. The overall pattern of energy usage has remained fairly stable since late in the 20th century.

