U.S. Agriculture's Role in the International Biofuel Market

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Ethanol Explosion



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Source: Renewable Fuels Association



Biodiesel Growth



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Renewable Fuels Standard



Source: Renewable Fuels Association





Ethanol Industry Snapshots

	Ethanol Plants	Capacity (mgy)
Jan. 2000	54	1,749
Jan. 2001	56	1,921
Jan. 2002	61	2,347
Jan. 2003	68	2,707
Jan. 2004	72	3,101
Jan. 2005	81	3,644
Jan. 2006	95	4,336
Jan. 2007	110	5,386

Source: Renewable Fuels Association



Where Are We Headed?

• Based on construction announcements for ethanol plants, by the end of 2008, ethanol production capacity could exceed 12 billion gallons

• Announced biodiesel capacity exceeds 2 billion gallons





Oil Futures As Of 1/8/2007





World Ethanol Production, 2005













Projected World Oil Consumption

Figure 26. World Oil Consumption by Sector, 2003-2030



Sources: 2003: Derived from Energy Information Administration (EIA), International Energy Annual 2003 (May-July 2005), web site www.eia.doe.gov/iea/. Projections: EIA, System for the Analysis of Global Energy Markets (2006).

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Biofuel Feedstocks

- Corn U.S., China
- Sugarcane Brazil, Central and South America, Southeast Asia, India
- Soybean Oil U.S., Brazil
- Rapeseed and Sunflower Oil Europe
- Palm Oil Malaysia and Indonesia





Biofuel Programs

- U.S. Renewable Fuels Standard
- Brazil Ethanol blend requirement, preferential tax policies
- Argentina Require use E-5 blend over the next 5 years
- India 5% ethanol in all gasoline
- EU 5.75% biofuel (energy content) target by 2010





Biofuel Programs

- Columbia Mandated use of E-10 in big cities
- Venezuela Phasing in a national E-10 blending mandate
- Japan Long term goal of replacing 20% of oil needs with biofuels or gas-to-liquid fuels
- Canada 45% of gasoline to be E-10 by 2010
- Thailand Mandating nationwide E-10 in 2007





Biofuel Programs

- China Mandates E-10 blends in five provinces
- Philippines Will mandate E-5 and 2% biodiesel in 2007





Trade Barriers

- U.S. tariff of 2.5% plus 54 cents per gallon
- Brazil and Argentina 20% tariff
- European Union 87 cents per gallon tariff
- Canada 19 cents per gallon tariff
- Thailand 30% tariff
- India 186% tariff





U.S. Energy Department Projections

- U.S. liquid fuel demand will grow by 1% a year through 2030
- U.S. ethanol production will average a 5.2% growth rate
- But U.S. ethanol imports will average a 8.4% growth rate
- The U.S. will remain a net importer of ethanol





U.S. Energy Department Projections

- World petroleum demand will grow by 1.3% per year
- China's petroleum needs increase 3.2% per year
- India's oil requirements go up 2.3% per year





Given Energy Demand Projections...

• The U.S., China, India, the EU, Japan, and South Korea are all expected to be importers of ethanol over the next decade

- Brazil will be the major exporter of ethanol
 - Already exports roughly 25% of production, over
 1 billion gallons





U.S. Biomass







Cellulosic Ethanol ...

- Ethanol derived from any lignocellulosic or hemicellulosic matter that is available on a renewable basis
- Sources: trees, wood and crop residues, grasses, fibers, energy crops, and other non-petroleum wastes
- Federal legislative support via the Biomass Research and Development Act of 2000, extended by the 2002 Farm Bill and the Energy Policy Act of 2005





U.S. Production Incentives

- Goal: 1 billion gallons of cellulosic biofuel per year and biofuel price-competitiveness by 2015
- Per gallon production incentive set by the Sec. of Energy until
 - 2008 or
 - 100 million gallons per year of cellulosic biofuel
- Then a reverse auction sets the incentive until
 - 2015 or
 - 1 billion gallons per year of cellulosic biofuel





Production Incentives (cont.)

- Bidders submit desired incentive and estimated production
- Incentive paid on actual production
- Funding for auction set at \$250 million





Other Features of the Energy Act

- Preprocessing and harvesting grants for cellulosic biomass
- Minimum target of 250 million gallons of renewable fuel from cellulosic biomass by 2013
- Production credit: 1 gallon of cellulosic biomass ethanol = 2.5 gallons of renewable fuel (until 2013)
- Additional loan guarantees and grants





Potential Outlook for U.S. Biomass





