

Iran's Petrochemical Industry: A Crown Jewel for Foreign Investment

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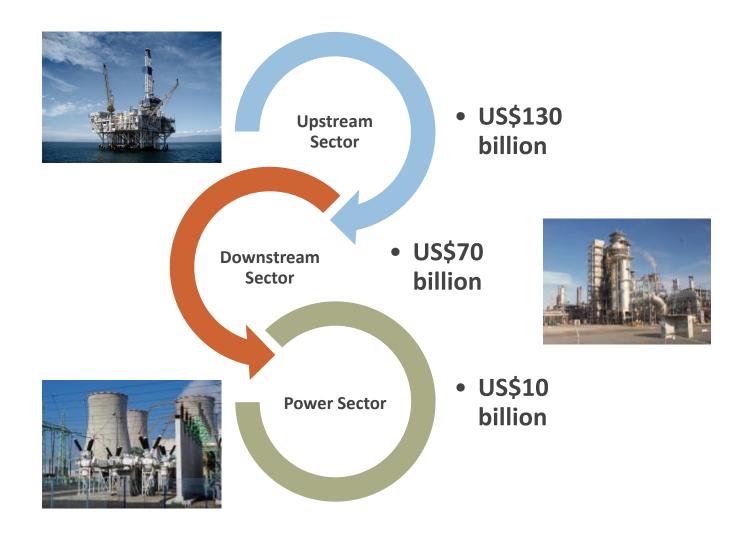
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Massive Investment Requirements!

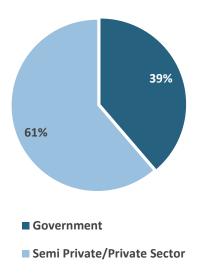
Investment requirements over the next 5 to 6 years.



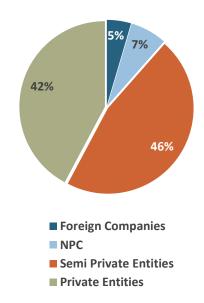


Privatization in the Iranian Energy Industry

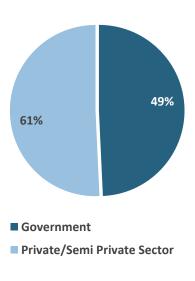
Oil Refineries
(1.86 mmb/d of refining capacity)



Petrochemical Projects (60 mmtpa of installed capacity)

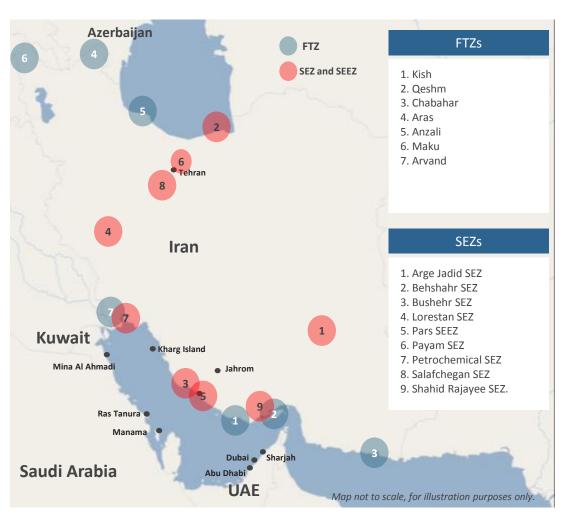


Power Plants
(74 GW of Installed capacity)



Business in Free Trade Zones & Special Economic Zones

Key Features	FTZs	SEZs
Investment Laws	FTZs Regulations	Mainland's Laws & Regulations
Caps on Foreign Shareholding	Up to 100%.	Up to 49%
Imports/Exports	No taxes and duties, but local levies and fees are collected.	No taxes and duties, but local levies and fees are collected.
Tax Holidays	Up to 20 Years	7-10 Years



Iran as a Gas Province in the Middle East

The typical success rates from wildcat drilling in the world are generally 30-35%, but Iran has recorded a success rate of 79% in exploration.

<u>Sizable Gas Discoveries in</u> the Past 10 Years:

 December 2011: Sardar Jangal (up to 50 tcf)

January 2011: Khayyam

• June 2010: Forouz

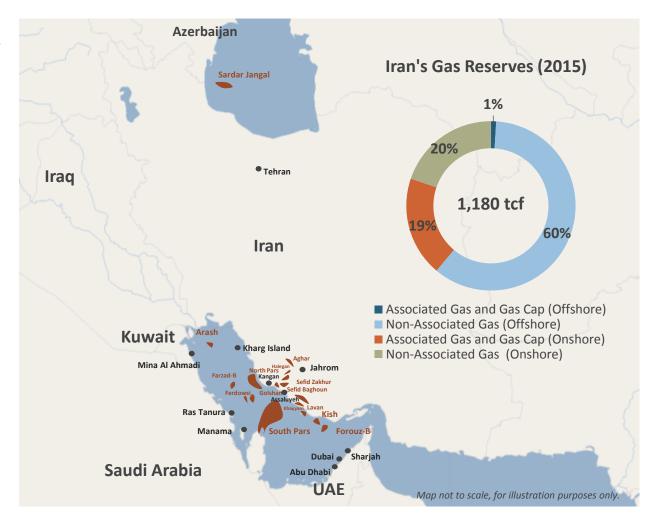
• February 2010: Halegan

• 2009: Sefid Baghoun

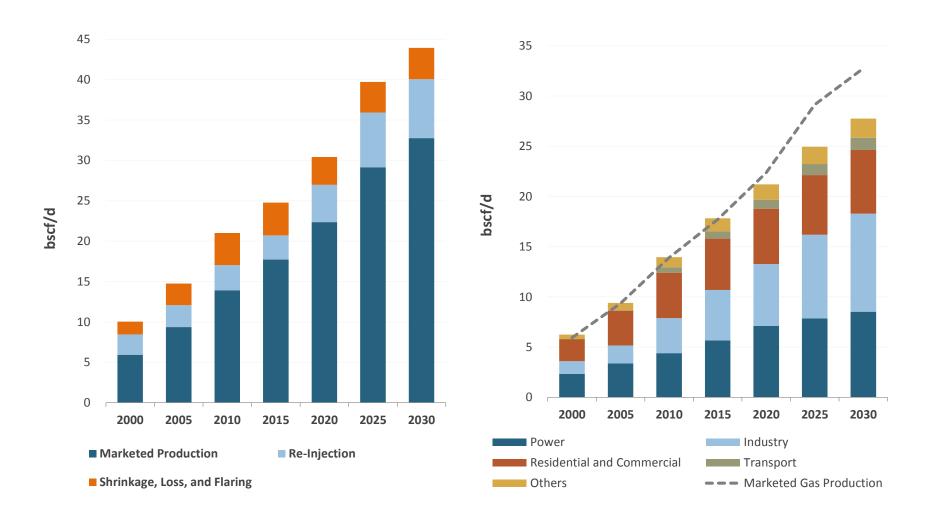
• 2008: Farzad-B

• 2007: Sefid Zakhur

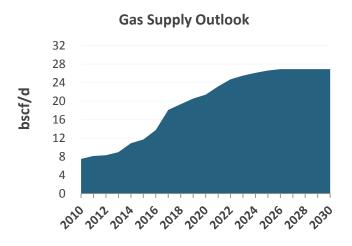
• 2006: Kish

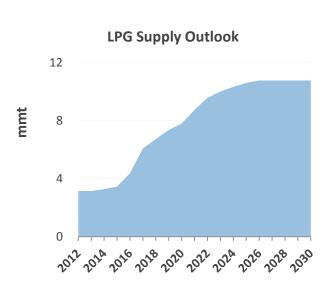


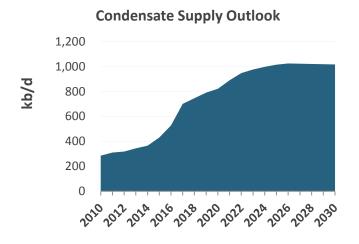
Iran's Gas Supply/Demand Outlook

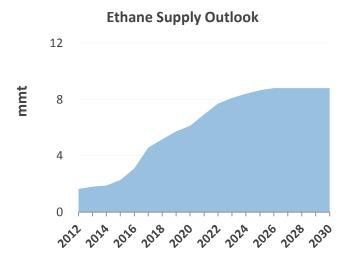


South Pars Gas and Liquids Supply Outlook



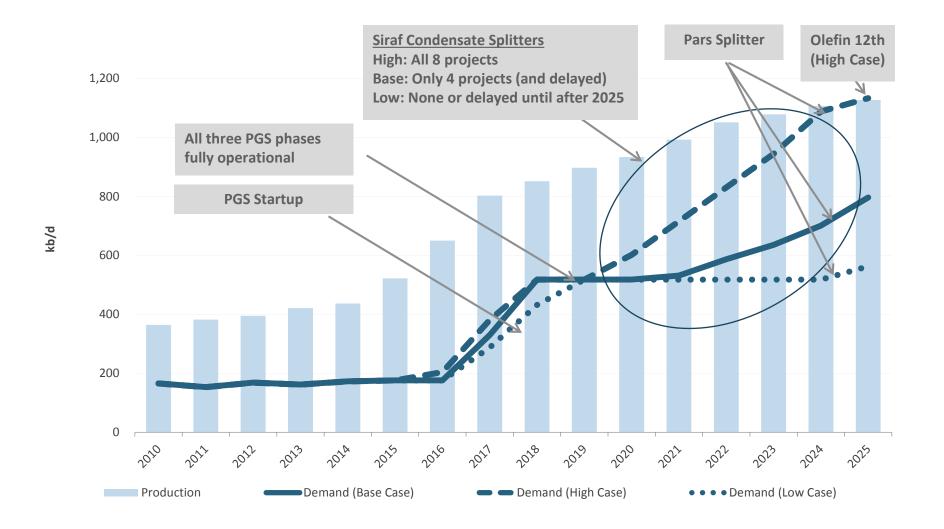








Iran's Condensate Outlook





Siraf Condensate Splitters



Project Description:

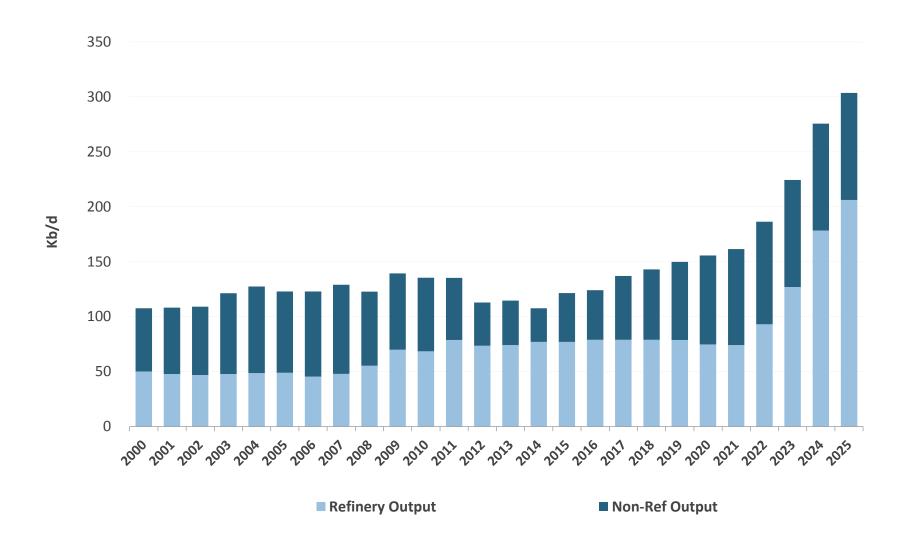
- 8 splitters each with 60 kb/d capacity.
- Led by (semi) private Iranian companies.
- Siraf splitters are designed to produce around 25 kb/d of LPG, 276 kb/d of naphtha, 30 kb/d of jet fuel, and 150 kb/d of gasoil.

Key Challenges:

- Inexperienced local players.
- Project financing challenges.
- Long-term feedstock supply guarantee by NIOC.
- Uncertainty on the project economics.

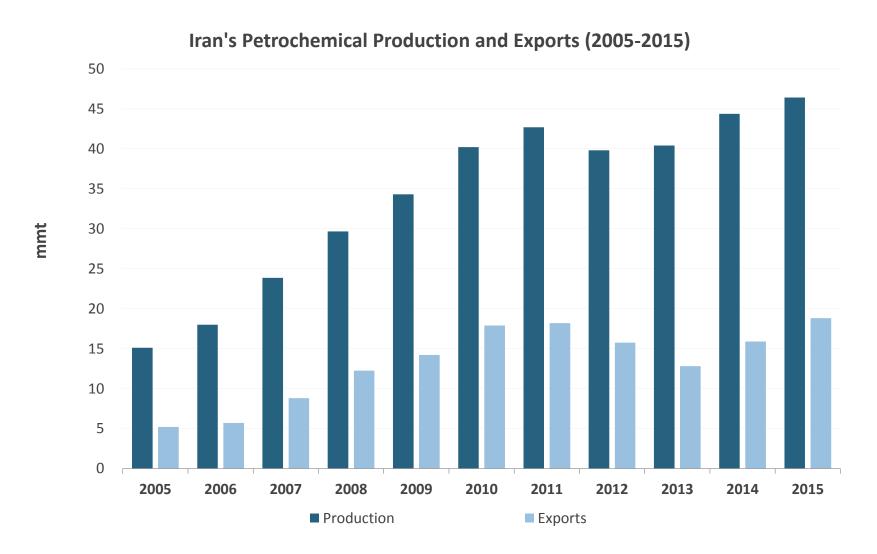


Iran's Naphtha Supply



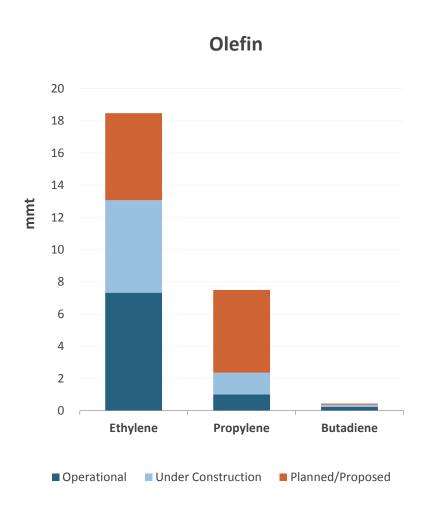


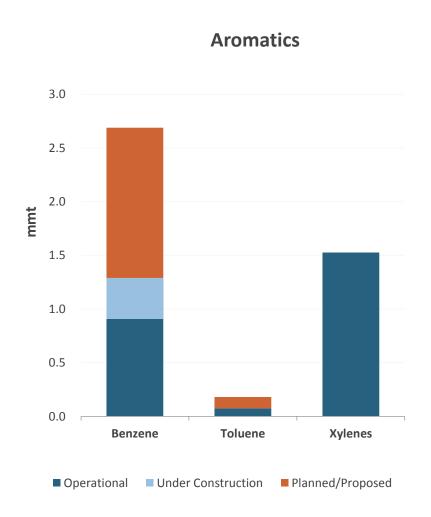
Iran's Petrochemical Exports: Back to Normal





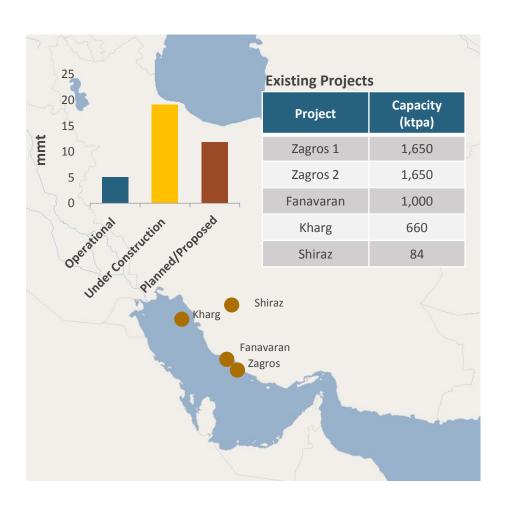
Iran's Petrochemical Development Projects



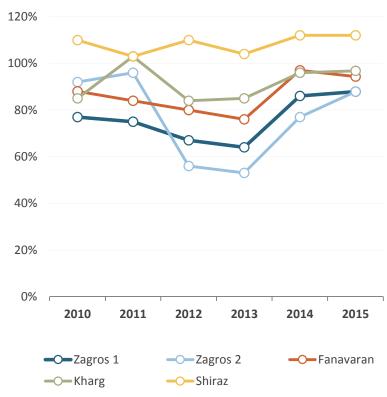




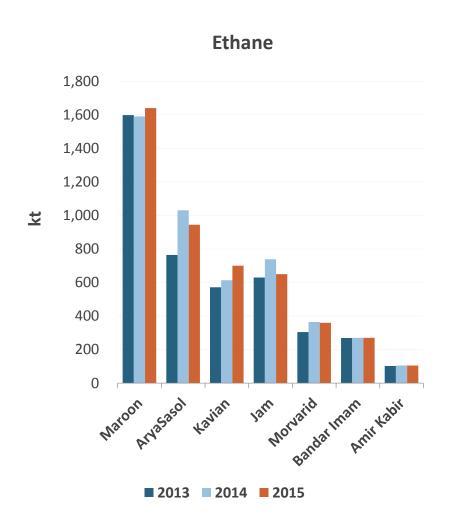
Methanol Projects in Iran

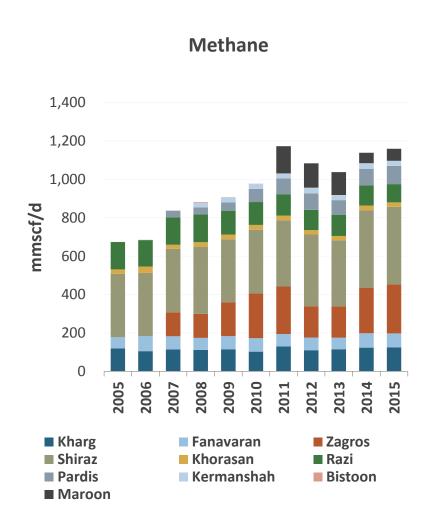


Utilization Rate in the Iranian Methanol Plants



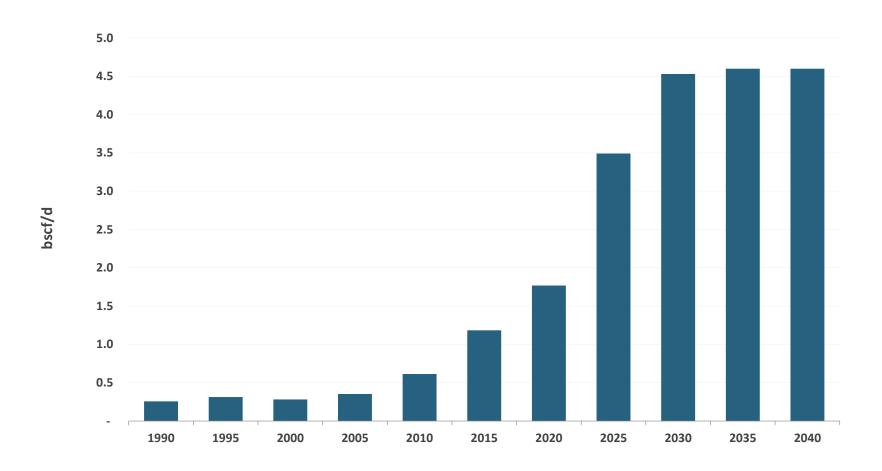
Gas/Ethane Consumption in the Iranian Petrochemical Sector





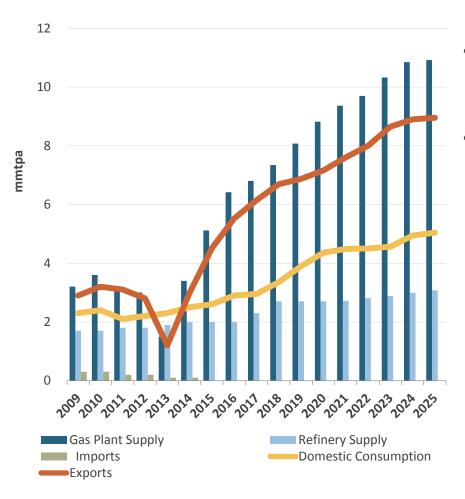


Massive Growth in Iran's Methane Feedstock Requirements





Iran's LPG Supply/Demand Outlook



New LPG Refinery Supply:

- PGS splitters (900 ktpa)
- Sirad Splitters (4 x 94 ktpa)

New Domestic Demand:

- Salman Farsi PDH (560 ktpa of C3)
- Ibn-e-Sina Petro Kimiya (160 ktpa of C4)
- Olefin 13 (328 ktpa of C3)
- Modabberan (40 ktpa of C4)
- Mehr PDH (560 ktpa of C3)
- Ofogh Acrylate (185 ktpa of C3)
- Kharg PDH (540 ktpa of C3)
- Parsian (610 ktpa of C3)
- Mahshahr (340 ktpa of C3)

Feedstock Pricing for the Iranian Petrochemical Projects

Natural Gas

Feedgas Prices = 50% of weighted average of the domestic sales prices to other gas consumers (power, residential, commercial, and transportation), gas exports, and imports + 50%

of average gas prices in the international markets.

To calculate the average of international gas prices, the Iranian Petroleum Ministry will consider a six month average price of HH, AECO, NBP, and TTF in the formula.

Liquids

5-10% discounts vs. FOB prices in the Persian Gulf.

Ethane

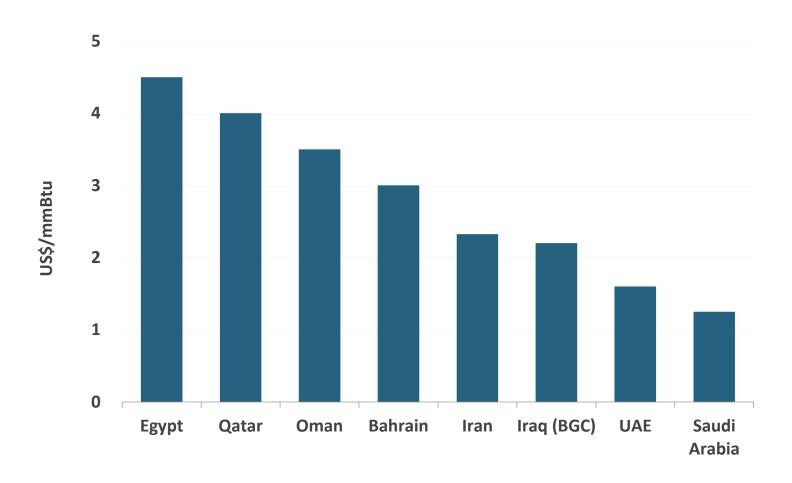
Ethane price per ton = 25% x (naphtha FOB price in the Persian Gulf per ton + polyethylene price per ton) – 145

Polyethylene price will be the weighted average prices of HDPE and LDPE in India, China and Iran.

Floor and ceiling for the ethane prices will be US\$220 and US\$400 per ton.



Regional Feedgas Prices





Why Natural Gas As a Feedstock?

- Significant amounts of gas and ethane will be available in coming years and Iran is likely to face with gas supply surplus.
- Low gas production costs, and attractive sales prices can provide a strong motivation for investors to get involved in the new petrochemical projects.
- Marketing of liquids' surplus could be much easier than selling of the natural gas surplus in the international markets.
- Naphtha based projects may count on Siraf as a main source of feedstock. The proposed Siraf
 project (eight condensate splitters, each 60 kb/d) is facing several challenges. The plans were
 meant to remove 480 kb/d of condensate from the market by 2020. This is very likely to face a
 long delay.
 - If all of Iran's condensate splitter projects go ahead or all condensate-based petchem projects proceed, Iran will be short of condensate or may have to import condensate.



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