# State of Alabama **ENERGY SECTOR RISK PROFILE**





### Alabama State Facts

**POPULATION** 

4.89 M

HOUSING UNITS

**BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS** 2.27 M 0.10 M

**ENERGY EMPLOYMENT:** 52,366 jobs **PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:** Alabama Public Service

**STATE ENERGY OFFICE:** Department of Economic and Community Affairs, Energy Division

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY:** Alabama Emergency Management Agency

**AVERAGE ELECTRICITY TARIFF: 9.63 cents/kWh ENERGY EXPENDITURES:** \$4,192/capita

**ENERGY CONSUMPTION PER CAPITA: 390 MMBtu** (14th highest out of 50 states and Washington, D.C.) **GDP:** \$221.7 billion

Data from 2020 or most recent year available. For more information, see the Data Sources document.

#### **ANNUAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION**

**ELECTRIC POWER: 90,290 GWh** 

**COAL: 18,400 MSTN NATURAL GAS:** 693 Bcf **MOTOR GASOLINE:** 61,100 Mbbl **DISTILLATE FUEL: 24,500 Mbbl** 

#### **ANNUAL ENERGY PRODUCTION**

**ELECTRIC POWER GENERATION:** 83 plants, 142.7 TWh, 25.0 GW total capacity

Coal: 4 plants, 26.7 TWh, 5.5 GW total capacity Hydro: 23 plants, 11.4 TWh, 3.3 GW total capacity Natural Gas: 27 plants, 57.2 TWh, 15.4 GW total capacity Nuclear: 2 plants, 43.7 TWh, 5.3 GW total capacity Petroleum: 4 plants, 0.0 TWh, 0.0 GW total capacity Wind & Solar: 6 plants, 0.4 TWh, 0.2 GW total capacity Other sources: 17 plants, 3.4 TWh, 0.7 GW total capacity

**COAL: 12,900 MSTN NATURAL GAS: 130 Bcf** CRUDE OIL: 4,900 Mbbl ETHANOL: 0 Mbbl Data from EIA (2018, 2019).

This State Energy Risk Profile examines the relative magnitude of the risks that the state of Alabama'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. Certain natural and adversarial threats, such as cybersecurity, electromagnetic pulse, geomagnetic disturbance, pandemics, or impacts caused by infrastructure interdependencies, are ill-suited to location-based probabilistic risk assessment as they may not adhere to geographic boundaries, have limited occurrence, or have limited historic data. Cybersecurity and other threats not included in these profiles are ever present and should be included in state energy security planning. A complete list of data sources and national level comparisons can be found in the Data Sources document.

### Alabama Risks and Hazards Overview

- The natural hazard that caused the greatest overall property loss between 2009 and 2019 was Tornadoes at \$458 million per year (4th leading cause nationwide at \$2 billion per year).
- Alabama had 90 Major Disaster Declarations, 126 Emergency Declarations, and o Fire Management Assistance Declarations for 10 events between 2013 and 2019.
- Alabama registered 18% fewer Heating Degree Days and 21% greater Cooling Degree Days than average in 2019.
- There is 1 Fusion Center located in Montgomery.

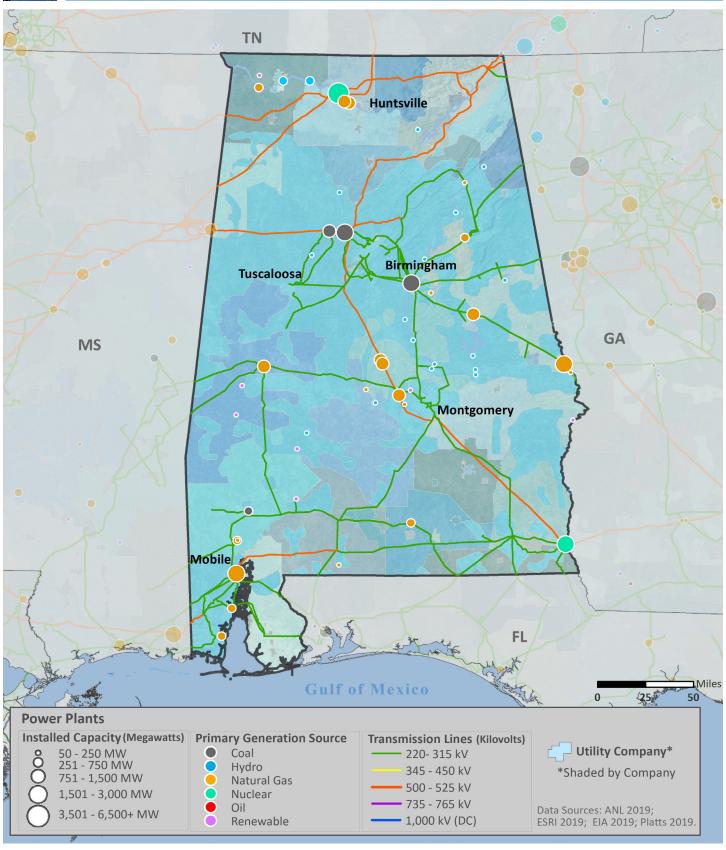
#### **Annualized Frequency of and Property Damage** Due to Natural Hazards, 2009-2019

	N/e	HAZARD FREQUENCY – Annualized	PROPERTY DAMAGE – Annualized (\$Million per year)
Drought		15	\$0
Earthquake (≥ 3.5 M)	舒	<1	\$0
Extreme Heat	<b>*</b>	5	\$0
Flood		35	\$10
Hurricane	<b>O</b>	1	\$1
Landslide	K.	<1	\$0
Thunderstorm & Lightning	7	109	\$6
Tornado	7	19	\$458
Wildfire	B	1	\$0
Winter Storm & Extreme Cold		12	\$0

Data Sources: NOAA and USGS



# **ELECTRIC**



#### **Electric Infrastructure**

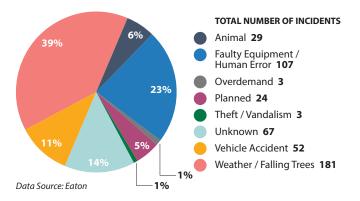
- · Alabama has 62 electric utilities:
  - 2 Investor owned
  - 23 Cooperative
  - 36 Municipal
  - 1 Other utility
- Plant retirements scheduled by 2025: 12 electric generating units totaling 1,834 MW of installed capacity.

# Electric Customers and Consumption by Sector, 2018

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Residential	血	85%	37%
Commercial		14%	26%
Industrial	<b></b>	<1%	37%
Transportation	<b>7</b> Ü	<1%	<1%

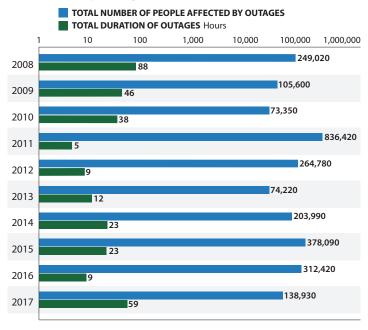
Data Source: EIA

#### Electric Utility-Reported Outages by Cause, 2008-2017



- In 2018, the average Alabama electric customer experienced 1.4 service interruptions that lasted an average of less than 1 hour.
- In Alabama, between 2008 and 2017:
  - The greatest number of electric outages occurred in **June** (2nd for outages nationwide)
  - The leading cause of electric outages was Weather or Falling Trees (leading cause nationwide)
  - Electric outages affected 263,682 customers on average

#### Electric Utility Outage Data, 2008-2017

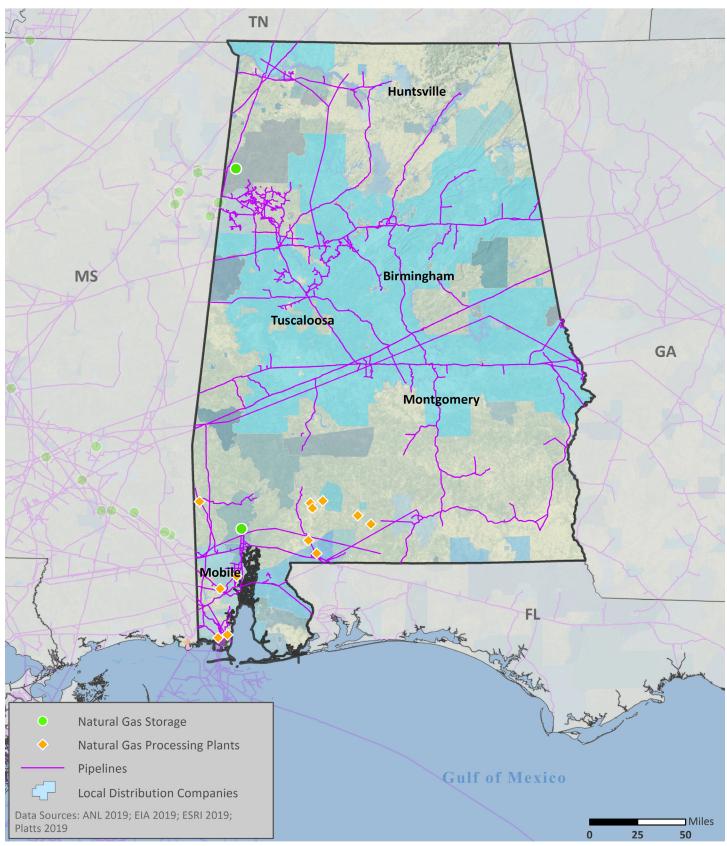


Note: This chart uses a logarithmic scale to display a very wide range of values. Data Source: Eaton



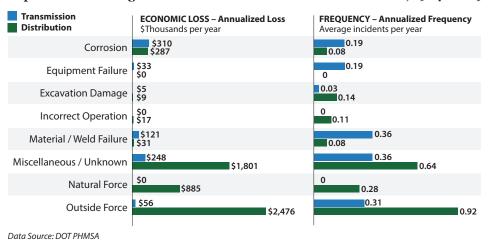


# NATURAL GAS



## **Natural Gas Transport**

Top Events Affecting Natural Gas Transmission and Distribution, 1984-2019



- As of 2018, Alabama had:
- 6,823 miles of natural gas transmission pipelines
- 31,916 miles of natural gas distribution pipelines
- 48% of Alabama's natural gas transmission system and 35% of the distribution system were constructed prior to 1970 or in an unknown year.
- Between 1984 and 2019, Alabama's natural gas supply was most impacted by:
  - Corrosion when transported by transmission pipelines (4th leading cause nationwide at \$20.15M per year)
  - Outside Forces when transported by distribution pipelines (leading cause nationwide at \$76.59M per year)

## **Natural Gas Processing and Liquefied Natural Gas**

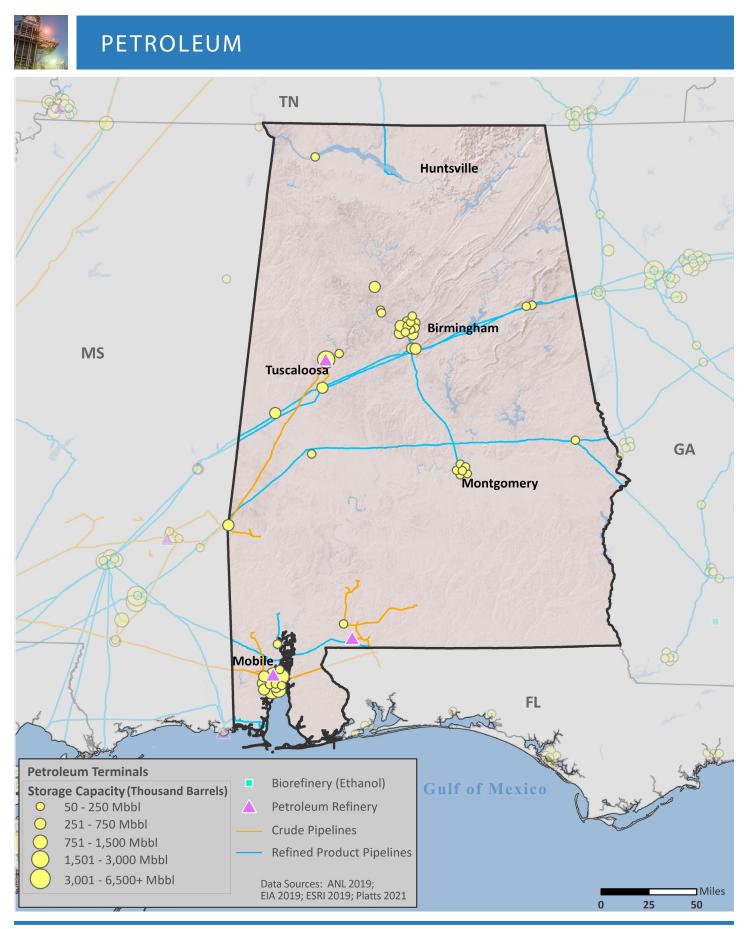
Natural Gas Customers and Consumption by Sector, 2018

Residential 🐽	CUSTOMERS 91%	CONSUMPTION 4%
Commercial	8%	3%
Industrial	<1%	27%
Transportation 🚮	<1%	<1%
Electric Power	<1%	66%
Other	<1%	<1%

- Alabama has 12 natural gas processing facilities with a total capacity of 1,364 MMcf/d.
- Alabama has 5 liquefied natural gas (LNG) facilities with a total storage capacity of 643,824 barrels.

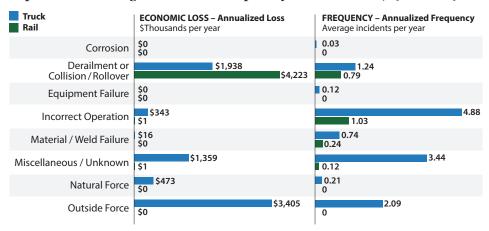
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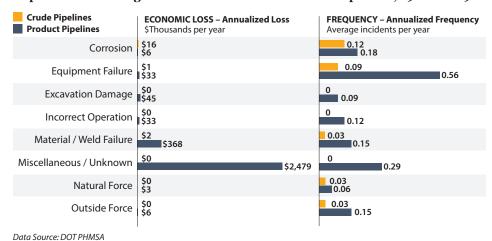
### **Petroleum Transport**

#### Top Events Affecting Petroleum Transport by Truck and Rail, 1986-2019



Data Source: DOT PHMSA

#### Top Events Affecting Crude Oil and Refined Product Pipelines, 1986-2019



- As of 2018, Alabama had:
  - 381 miles of crude oil pipelines
  - 1,113 miles of refined product pipelines
  - o miles of biofuels pipelines
- 46% of Alabama's petroleum pipeline systems were constructed prior to 1970 or in an unknown year.
- Between 1986 and 2019, Alabama's petroleum supply was most impacted by:
  - Outside Forces events when transported by truck (2nd leading cause nationwide at \$60.45M per year)
  - Derailments, Collisions, or Rollovers when transported by rail (leading cause nationwide at \$19.71M per year)
  - Corrosion when transported by crude pipelines (3rd leading cause nationwide at \$14.51M)
  - Miscellaneous or Unknown events when transported by product pipelines (3rd leading cause nationwide at \$11.97M per year)
- Disruptions in other states may impact supply.

#### **Petroleum Refineries**

- Alabama has 3 petroleum refineries with a total operable capacity of 141.7 Mb/d.
- Between 2009 and 2019, the leading causes of petroleum refinery disruptions in Alabama were:
  - Fires and/or Explosions (6th leading cause nationwide)
  - Maintenance (2nd leading cause nationwide)

#### Causes and Frequency of Petroleum Refinery Disruptions, 2009-2019

