

Dear Sir/Madam

This document is not accusation, but for you to study and see that everything is legal.

Please look at this link of CIA world fact book.

<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/as.html>

From this link you can look at the section I copied below about Australia for your reference.

Oil - production:



530,000 bbl/day (2005 est.)

Oil - consumption:



877,300 bbl/day (2004 est.)

Oil - exports:



523,400 bbl/day (2001)

Oil - imports:



530,800 bbl/day (2001)

Oil - proved reserves:



3.664 billion bbl (1 January 2002)

Natural gas - production:



37.03 billion cu m (2004 est.)

Natural gas - consumption:



26.37 billion cu m (2004 est.)

Natural gas - exports:



10.66 billion cu m (2004 est.)

Natural gas - imports:



0 cu m (2004 est.)

Natural gas - proved reserves:



821.2 billion cu m (1 January

I give my analysis and questions for you to UNDERSTAND and Take Action. I am unable to investigate the questions. These are not accusations but only questions.

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Q1. Are they really exporting 523,400 bbl/day (2001)? Are there fleets of ships now loading and carrying oil to overseas markets?

Q2. Are they then really importing 530,800 bbl/day (2001)? Are there fleets of ships now loading and carrying oil into Australia?

If the answers for Q1 and Q2 are 'NO', then you have a problem to investigate?

Is this a way of overcharging the poor?

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If the answers for Q1 and Q2 are 'YES' then you have to ask the following questions:

- It may cost about AU\$2 dollars to pump a barrel of oil from the ground! I do not know how much it would cost. Let us be generous and say it would be about AU\$10. This is currently about US\$8 assuming AU\$1=US\$0.80.
- If they are selling at US\$70 by **exporting** they make about US\$62 a barrel, which is about AU\$77.5, give or take a profit of about AU\$67.5.
- Government takes 30% tax
- Company takes 70% gross profit.

It is easier to charge world market price when they are importing and that is how the price is high. That is what I thought until I went to ACCC website. I list below the Q & A.

Q: Why are Australian petrol prices based on international benchmarks?

Petrol is an internationally traded commodity. If prices in Australia were lower than international prices, domestic producers would have an incentive to export it overseas, which could lead to shortages in Australia.

Australia currently imports around 15 per cent of the total petrol it consumes, for which refiners have to pay the international price.

- Now according to you Australia imports only 15% of petrol.
- Please do the math. We export and import almost same quantity of oil. And we end up only import 15% petrol. If the rest come from internally why overcharge?
- AU Dollar is high against US\$. Has the price dropped accordingly?
- That brings to the important question. How do they earn the profit in their annual report?
- These Companies use the **natural resources of the people of Australia** and earn huge profits. It should be **decent** for them to charge a price closer to the production cost or subsidize the price of petrol from the huge profits they earn by exporting oil. The profits make inflation to go high and we poor are charged extra interest on our mortgage.

3 We are not importing natural gas. What price are we charged? Is it reasonable? Cannot we subsidize the price poor masses pay from the profits of exports?

There is plenty oil reserves. Let them strip what is Australia's and earn indecent profit. But they could use other oil reserves to reduce or subsidize the petrol for the owners of the reserves. The People of Australia.

There is a limit to make filthy money when most of the people and the owners of this land the Aboriginals live in extreme poverty.