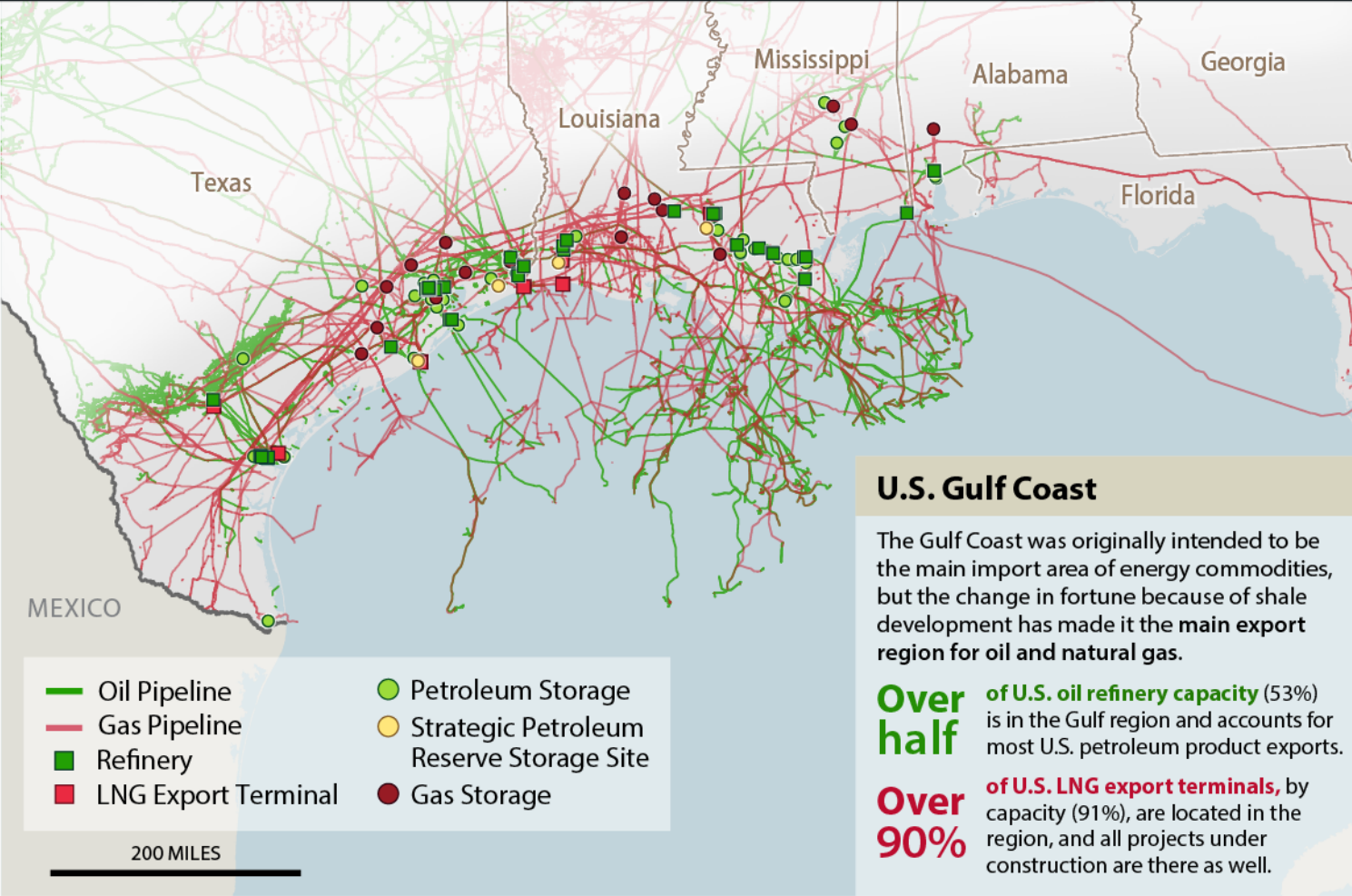


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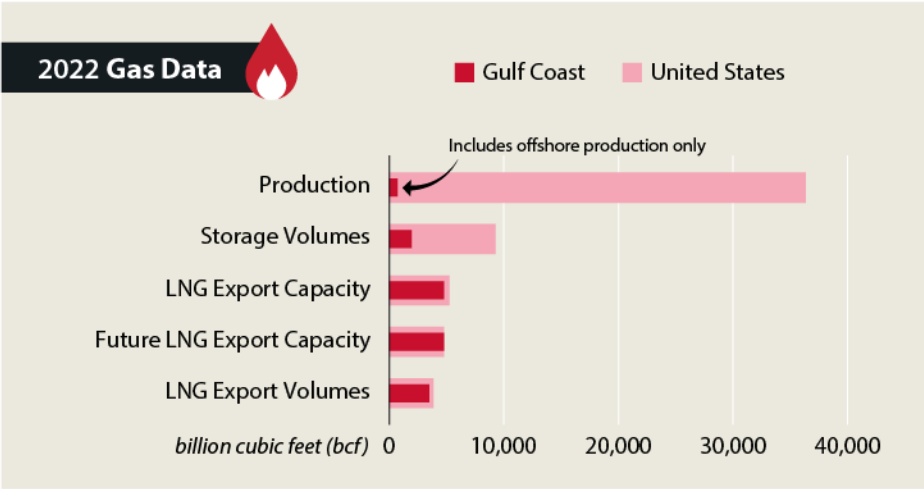
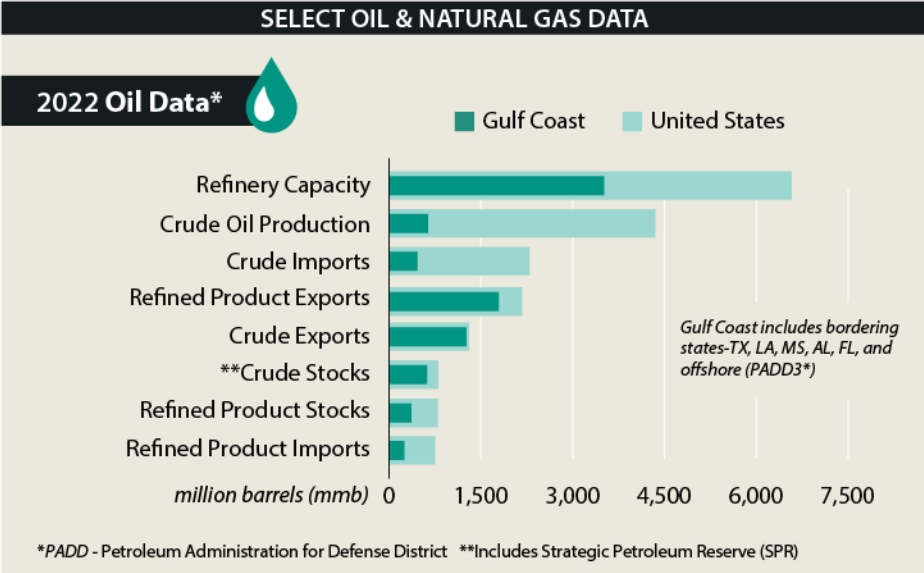
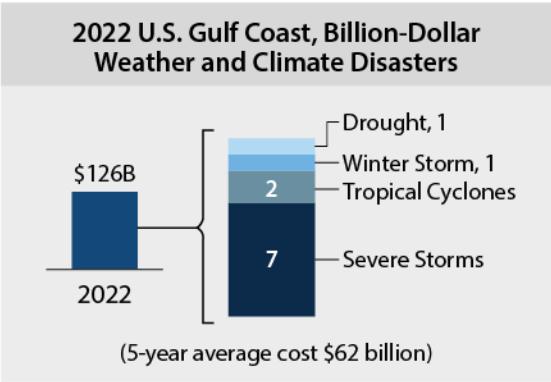
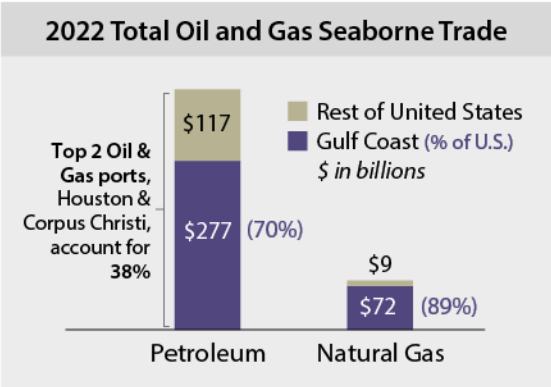
The Gulf Coast is home to a large amount of U.S. oil and natural gas assets and infrastructure, and these resources are vulnerable to natural disaster and man-made attacks. Each year, extreme weather and climate events threaten to halt production and take refineries and liquefied natural gas (LNG) export terminals offline. In addition, with such a high concentration in a single region, assets and infrastructure may be susceptible to terrorist attacks, especially given how many ships enter and leave the area.



By the Numbers

The U.S. Gulf Coast plays a big role in the U.S. oil and natural gas industry.

Because of the high concentration of energy assets and infrastructure in a single region, and the interconnections between oil and natural gas, the United States is vulnerable to disaster events.



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