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Analysis of Point-of-Use Energy Return on Investment and Net Energy Yields from China's Conventional Fossil Fuels

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Abstract: There is a strong correlation between net energy yield (NEY) and energy return on investment (EROI). Although a few studies have researched the EROI at the extraction level in China, none have calculated the EROI at the point of use (EROI_{POU}). EROI_{POU} includes the entire energy conversion chain from extraction to point of use. To more comprehensively measure changes in the EROI_{POU} for China's conventional fossil fuels, a "bottom-up" model to calculate EROI_{POU} was improved by extending the conventional calculation boundary from the wellhead to the point of use. To predict trends in the EROI_{POU} of fossil fuels in China, a dynamic function of the EROI was then used to project future EROI_{POU} in this study. Results of this paper show that the EROI_{POU} of both coal (range of value: 14:1–9.2:1), oil (range of value: 8:1–3.5:1) and natural gas (range of value: 6.5:1–3.5:1) display downward trends during the next 15 years. Based on the results, the trends in the EROI_{POU} of China's conventional fossil fuels will rapidly decrease in the future indicating that it is more difficult to obtain NEY from China's conventional fossil fuels.

Keywords: point-of-use EROI; net energy yields; total primary energy supply; net energy peak

1. Introduction

The most important role of energy systems is to provide sufficient energy to support the growth of society and the economic system. However, not all primary energy carriers can be delivered to the end user because energy-producing industries use energy during its production. For example, if producing ten units of energy requires the use of two units of energy, only eight units of energy are actually delivered to users. These remaining eight units are considered the net energy yields (NEY). Thus, NEY is defined as the energy produced minus the energy required to create that output. Given net energy is real energy consumed at final end, an approach that does not consider the energy required to create net energy cannot provide a proper assessment of energy consumed. Odum [1] stated that in economic and social systems, net energy is the valued energy return on investment (EROI).

EROI is a concept that originated from ecology [2]; it was implicit in Hall et al.'s [3] study of the petroleum yield associated with a given amount of effort, although their study used the term net energy. Hall et al. [3] and Cleveland et al. [4] proposed the concept of EROI and defined it as the ratio of energy output to energy input in the energy production process. EROI links NEY and total primary energy supply (TPES); when EROI declines, the NEY of TPES declines as well. The greater that an energy source's EROI is, the greater that the NEY are that it can provide to the rest of society to generate goods and services. In 1984, Cleveland et al. [4] noted that the EROI value for a given energy source must be greater than 1:1 for its use to make sense in an economy; they also noted that fuels (or energy carriers) with higher EROI values play a greater economic role than do fuels (or energy carriers) with lower EROI values because of the importance of net fuel supply. Brand-Correa et al. [5] calculated

the national EROI for the UK for the period 1997–2012, and the results showed that national EROI in the UK decreased during the period (range of value: 13.8:1–5.6:1), indicating that 9.8% (on average) of the UK's extracted/captured energy does not go into the economy or into society for productive or well-being purposes. Hall et al. [6] found that the EROI of corn-based ethanol was approximately 3:1 at the mine mouth/farm gate. Lambert et al. [7] identified the saturation point at which increases in per capita energy availability (greater than 150 GJ) and EROI (greater than 20:1) is not associated with further improvements to welfare as defined by the human welfare index. Wang et al. [8] used the input-output table calculated EROI of oil sands, and the results showed that EROI of both mining oil sands (range of value: 3.9–8) and in situ oil sands (range of value: 3.2–5.4) displayed upward trend over the past 7 years. Wang et al. [8] claimed that the low EROI of oil sand will lead to more energy being consumed to extract one unit of energy output, and greater energy consumption leads to more emissions. Brandt et al. [9] found the same result that decreasing EROI lead to climate impacts of oil extraction.

Calculating the EROI of the extraction or mining step only does not accurately describe the NEY of a specific fuel. If the EROI of extraction and mining is approximately 30:1, the EROI of the entire energy conversion chain could be less than 30:1 because long energy conversion chains require more direct and indirect inputs. In addition, many studies have calculated EROI values, but only a few can be compared. The definition of EROI is hampered by the same lack of consistent parameters as energy inputs and outputs calculations, sometimes making it very difficult to compare different results. Hall et al. [6] published a study that calculated three different EROIs for the transportation system of the United States: standard, point of use, and extended EROIs. Hall et al. [10] also introduced the concept of point-of-use EROI, which equals the ratio of the “energy return to society” to the “energy required to obtain and deliver that energy”. Murphy et al. [11] further clarified the factors assessed in the EROI calculations in their study into the following categories [10,11]: standard EROI ($EROI_{ST}$), point-of-use EROI ($EROI_{POU}$), and extended EROI ($EROI_{EXT}$). Brandt et al. [12] has provided additional boundary definition for measuring net energy, namely α , β , γ , δ and Ω . System boundary β contains one energy production stage and one processing stage, constituting one production process with two stages (extraction and refining). System boundary γ contains two productions with two stages. System boundary δ contains all the productions with all stages and non-energy sectors. System boundary Ω contains all the physical flows for every energy and material transformation process, as well as all service provision processes. Comparing these two boundary definitions, the point of use EROI is similar to system boundary δ .

China's EROI has been the subject of a few studies. Kong et al. [13] calculated the EROI of the Shenhua direct coal liquefaction project in China without Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS), the results of which indicated that, if the energy inputs for CCS technology are considered at the plant level, the EROI is less than 1:1. Another study by Kong et al. [14] calculated the EROI for the Datang coal gasification project; the results of their study showed that imported natural gas generally had a higher EROI than coal-based synthetic natural gas, even when environmental inputs were not considered. Hu et al. [15] and Xu et al. [16] calculated the $EROI_{ST}$ (standard EROI) of the Daqing oilfield, which is China's largest oilfield. Hu et al.'s results showed that the $EROI_{ST}$ for the Daqing oilfield was 10:1 in 2001 but declined to 6.5:1 in 2009 and was projected to decrease further to 4.7:1 in 2015. Xu et al.'s [16] results revealed that Daqing's EROI would decline to 2.9, and its monetary return on investment (MROI) will decline to 1.8 by 2025. Although these researchers' analyses resulted in different EROI values, the $EROI_{ST}$ and net energy trends suggest that the Daqing oilfield will likely face various issues in the future. However, while the above four studies calculated the $EROI_{ST}$ values of projects or oil fields, they might not be representative of China as a whole. Another study by Hu et al. [17] calculated and forecasted the $EROI_{ST}$ of China's conventional fossil fuels and found that the net energy produced will likely increase until approximately 2020 and then will decline after 2020, likely because the $EROI_{ST}$ of China's fossil fuels is projected to continue to decrease.

Some of these studies focused on the EROI_{ST} analysis, while others studied a specific oil field or project. All these studies concluded that the EROI_{ST} of China's fossil fuels is low and decreasing compared to those of most other nations. However, energy supply is associated with numerous sources, and energy conversion chains (not only in China) have become increasingly long and complex. Thus, the energy inputs actually required to produce energy are not only associated with energy extraction or an individual project, but they include the inputs of delivering energy in a usable form and, in some cases, even the inputs associated with its use [6]. If we use EROI as determined previously to replace the EROI of the whole fossil fuels industry in China, EROI will become seriously overvalued.

Hall [18] provided the following description:

“A reasonable question is what would be the EROI of a fuel at the point where it is used, since there may be very different efficiencies for different fuels between the source and the point at which it is used. Unfortunately, such studies are rare, and we must remember to always start with a source of energy from nature. Otherwise we are just determining internal efficiencies, not EROI.”

EROI_{POU} is an expanded analysis that considers the energy required not only to extract energy but also to deliver a unit of energy. It is a more comprehensive EROI that includes direct and indirect energy inputs in the steps of producing, processing, purchasing and delivering energy. When we calculate EROI_{POU} in this study, we assume that the indirect energy inputs are not only used to create a piece of equipment but also to transport and process the energy. In other words, indirect energy inputs are accrued at each point in the conversion chain. From the perspective of the energy conversion chain, energy is involved in many processes before it can be used within the economic system. From the perspective of the macroscopic energy economy, the ability of the entire energy industry to meet the net energy needs of the economy is embodied in the concept of EROI. Thus, the EROI must cover the entire energy conversion chain, which is why EROI_{POU} is used.

This study aims to build a model to calculate the EROI_{POU} of conventional fossil fuels in China and to identify the mathematical relationship between NEY and EROI_{POU}. Using a simulated EROI_{POU} dynamic function, we further aim to predict the impacts of a decline in the EROI_{POU} from China's NEY from 2016 to 2030.

2. Material and Methods

2.1. Modeling the Point-of-Use EROI

Net energy yields are associated not only with exploitation and extraction but also with the entire energy conversion chain that delivers useful net energy to a location where it is used to generate economic goods and services, which is also the case for EROI. In recent years, significant research has been performed on EROI, but these studies have tended not to be comparable with one another because the difference between the boundaries are the most important and most easily overlooked variable (see Figure 1).

Coughlin [19] defined the full fuel cycle (FFC) metric, which considers the complete energy production chain and estimates the total energy required to deliver one unit of energy to a point of use. One of the benefits of this approach is that it provides a clear definition of what must to be calculated, i.e., the direct and indirect energy inputs, without overlooking the details of the entire energy production chain. Coughlin provided an example calculation of the multiplier μ (only one fuel, which supplies all of the energy used in the economy, so μ is the ratio of total production to total final consumption: $EROI = \frac{\mu}{\mu-1}$). We utilized the FFC concept to calculate the EROI_{POU} of fossil fuels in China from 1996 to 2015. Most long-term data come from the International Energy Agency (IEA) [20] as estimates of the direct energy consumed by the energy industry to produce energy.

Our calculations vary slightly from those in the original FFC metric. First, Coughlin indirectly calculated the EROI for natural gas only; however, we calculated the EROI_{POU} of coal, oil and natural gas directly. Second, Coughlin did not calculate the indirect energy inputs, such as the energy inputs

(or monetary inputs) associated with importing energy; however, we included these inputs for all fossil fuels.

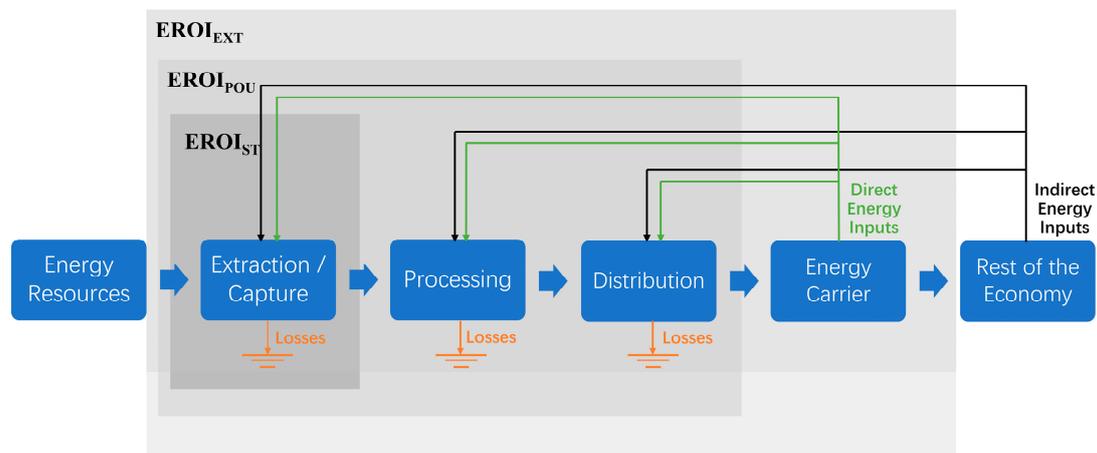


Figure 1. Types of EROI. Standard EROI (EROI_{ST}), point-of-use EROI (EROI_{POU}) and extended EROI (EROI_{EXT}).

Net energy equals energy outputs minus energy inputs. In this case, the baseline variables include F (primary energy carrier), N (the net energy used by the economic system, or NEY), C (the direct and indirect energy inputs required to obtain N), and L (the energy losses during energy production and processing). The net energy that can be used by the economic system is as follows:

$$\text{Net Energy} = \text{Outputs} - \text{Inputs} = N = (F - L) - C = \left(F - \sum_{i=1}^n L_i \right) - \sum_{i=1}^n C_i \quad (1)$$

where the variable “ i ” represents a specific fossil fuel production and processing chain, and “ n ” represents the total number of energy production and processing chain stages for a specific fossil fuel. However, in reality, energy comes from different fossil fuels, including coal, oil and natural gas, and these fuels are processed differently; thus, the production and processing chains require energy inputs and involve inevitable losses. If we extend the energy inputs of fossil fuels from the wellhead or mine mouth to the final consumer, the energy inputs increase, and the EROI decreases compared to the energy inputs of fossil fuels at the wellhead or mine mouth. Thus, EROI_{POU} can be defined as the ratio of the total energy production at the source less losses to the sum of all the energy inputs in each step of the production chain. Based on these definitions, EROI_{POU} can be expressed as follows.

$$\text{EROI}_{\text{POU}} = \frac{\text{Outputs}}{\text{Inputs}} = \frac{F - \sum_{i=1}^n L_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n C_i} \quad (2)$$

The net energy from fossil fuels in China is N . Thus, F represents the total amount of fossil fuels used by the entire economy. Additionally, $\sum_{i=1}^n C_i$ represents the different types of energy inputs in different production and processing chain stages in the energy industry, and $\sum_{i=1}^n L_i$ represents energy losses. The equation that provides the relationships among F , C and N represents a simple expansion of Equations (1) and (2).

$$\text{Net Energy} = N = \left(F - \sum_{i=1}^n L_i \right) - \sum_{i=1}^n C_i = \left(F - \sum_{i=1}^n L_i \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{\text{EROI}_{\text{POU}}} \right). \quad (3)$$

Equation (3) does both apply to one primary energy carrier and to all energy carriers. We didn’t count energy losses as energy inputs and outputs when we calculated EROI_{POU}. We realized that

energy losses are not energy inputs because these losses cannot provide energy profits to a society [10]. Energy outputs also should get rid of energy losses because the economy cannot utilize this energy.

In this analysis, the units of direct and indirect energy inputs are million tons of oil equivalents (mtoe, 1 mtoe = 4.1816×10^{16} joules) which were used in this study. The direct energy inputs can be classified into two categories: the energy consumed by transportation; and the energy industry’s own use. King et al. [21] used energy industry’s own use (EIOU) data from the International Energy Agency (IEA) [20] as an estimate of the energy directly consumed by the energy industry to produce energy, i.e., the consumption of oil or gas to produce the same. Based on the definition of EIOU from the IEA, EIOU includes the primary and secondary energy consumed by transformation industries for heating, pumping, traction, and lighting purposes. Following this idea, we use EIOU data from the IEA to calculate direct energy inputs into China’s energy industry from 1996 to 2015.

Indirect energy input is the energy required to produce materials and infrastructure. These values can be derived from financial costs that can be translated into energy costs using energy intensities (i.e., energy used per monetary unit for that type of activity and measured in megajoules/monetary unit) [10,22]. This relationship is generally used to derive the indirect inputs at each step. In this study, the indirect energy inputs consist of two parts: money spent for imported fuels and money investment in energy industry.

All these direct and indirect energy inputs are required to produce net energy, i.e., they can be considered energy inputs during energy conversion steps. The details of the $EROI_{POU}$ calculations are summarized in Table 1, and the data set for all the years are provided in Appendix A (Tables A1–A3).

Table 1. Example calculation of the $EROI_{POU}$ values of China’s fossil fuels (units: mtoe).

		Total Primary Energy Supply	F
Energy losses ^a		Losses in mine extraction and other transformation ^b	L_1
		Losses in electricity generation	L_2
		Losses in heat supply	L_3
Energy inputs	Direct	EIOU ^c in mining, extraction, refining or other transformation	C_1
		EIOU in electricity generation	C_2
		EIOU in heat supply	C_3
	Indirect	Transport	C_4
		Imports	C_5
		Investment in energy industry	C_6
		Energy outputs	$F - \sum_{i=1}^3 L_i$
		Energy inputs	$\sum_{i=1}^6 C_i$
		Net energy yield	$F - \sum_{i=1}^3 L_i - \sum_{i=1}^6 C_i$
		$EROI_{POU}$	$\frac{(F - \sum_{i=1}^3 L_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^6 C_i}$

^a Losses include those from energy distribution, electricity and heat transmission; ^b Other transformation covers non-specified transformations not shown elsewhere; ^c EIOU” represents the Energy Industry’s Own Use.

2.2. Forecasting Point-of-Use EROI for Fossil Fuels in China

Dale et al. [23] proposed a dynamic equation to describe the EROI of a given energy resource as a function of its cumulative production. In this function, the EROI of a resource initially increases before reaching some point of production, P_{max} , at which point the energy return reaches its maximum value and begins to decline, eventually dropping to less than the break-even limit represented by an EROI value of 1:1. This curve is applicable to all non-renewable energy.

According to Dale et al. [23] assumption, two factors influence this EROI function: technology and physical depletion (see Figure 2). Assume this EROI function is a product of two components: one is technological, $G(p)$, and serves to increase energy returns as a function of cumulative resource production (which is a proxy measure of experience, i.e., technological learning); and the other, $H(p)$, represents diminishing energy returns due to declining physical resource quality. At the regional level, some fields might have lower returns. However, the aggregation of many peaking functions will yield

a global peaking function, which can be separated into these two components. The function $f(p)$ can be represented along with the two components:

$$f(p) = \varepsilon H(p)G(p). \quad (4)$$

where ε is a scaling factor that increases the EROI, and p is cumulative production normalized to the size of the ultimately recoverable resource (URR), representing cumulative production divided by URR.

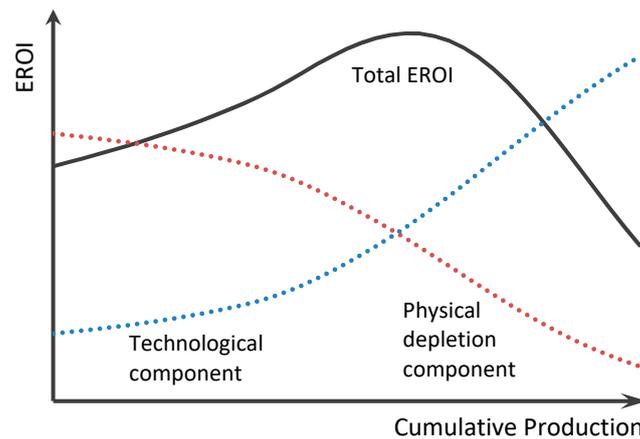


Figure 2. Dale et al. [23] proposed a dynamic function of the EROI as a function of cumulative production.

Technology increases are subject to diminishing marginal return processes and approach fundamental theoretical limits. Thus, technology component can be expressed as follows:

$$G(p) = 1 - Xe^{-\alpha p}. \quad (5)$$

where $0 < X < 1$. Here, X represents the initial value of the immature technology and α represents the rate of technological learning through experience, which will depend on a number of social and physical factors.

The physical resource component of the EROI function is assumed to decrease to an asymptotic limit as a function of production. We assume that this decline in EROI, $H(p)$, will follow an exponential curve decay:

$$H(p) = \varphi e^{-\beta p}. \quad (6)$$

where $0 < \varphi < 1$. Here, φ represents the potential EROI value of the virgin resource, assuming an optimal production technology; and β represents the exploitation source.

Best-fit values for the parameters were found using a residual sum of squares minimization procedure; factors were weighted to represent the historical EROI estimates [4,24] for the production of conventional oil, gas and coal in China. Fitted lines are shown in Figures 3 and 4 based on $EROI_{POU}$ in this study. Parameters in Equations (4)–(6) are shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Parameter values (unitless) from curve-fitting procedure.

Cases	ε	X	α	φ	B	P_{max} (% of URR)
Coal	63.54	0.99	3.80	0.54	1.98	28
Oil	137.10	0.93	1.81	0.64	9.03	6.4
Natural Gas	37.75	0.90	8.91	0.68	13.00	5

2.3. Data Sources for Calculating $EROI_{POU}$

The data associated with total primary energy supply (TPES), the energy industry's own use in mines, and extraction and processing (refineries and other transformation) energy losses in China were obtained from the IEA Energy Balances from 1996 to 2015. Losses include losses from gas distribution, transformation and transport.

We derived the indirect energy inputs (fossil fuel imports) by multiplying inputs by what we believe are appropriate energy intensity factors because economic data do not account for energy factors. The energy intensity associated with capital and materials is measured by the quantity of energy used to produce a dollar's worth of output in the industrial sector of the economy [17]. These data include the monetary inputs of non-energy materials purchased by the industrial sector. The IEA calculated this value as $TPES/GDP$ (toe/thousands 2010 USD), and we use these data as well.

Two difficulties in obtaining continuous and accurate energy inputs data in this study. First, data associated with the cost of natural gas imports are difficult to obtain. Due to the diversity of imported natural gas sources (China imports LNG and pipeline gas from different countries) and the price of natural gas imports not regularly changing with international market prices (China mainly uses long-term contracts and take-or-pay contracts to import natural gas), the National Bureau of Statistics only calculates and release the cost of coal and oil imports. Nevertheless, these data play an important role that cannot be ignored in this article. We can use $TPES/GDP$ to convert these costs into indirect energy inputs because they are related to energy, regardless of how many of these data have a significant impact on the final results. Furthermore, maintaining the integrity of the parameters has a significant impact on the analysis of the results. Second, the data associated with the energy consumed by the transportation of fossil fuels are difficult to obtain. Most of China's fossil energy reserves are located in western China but consumed in northern central and eastern China and therefore must be transported long distances. However, these data are difficult to collect, primarily because transportation of fuels is decentralized and the modes of transportation are diverse (road, rail and pipeline transportation).

In this study, the indirect energy inputs consist of two parts: the cost of imported fuels and investment in energy industry. The data on investment in the energy industry come from China's Energy Statistical Yearbook. The costs of oil and coal imports can be obtained directly from the National Bureau of Statistics website; however, the cost of natural gas imports cannot be directly obtained. Given this situation, we collected information, official news and reports from the website to estimate these values (including pipeline gas imports and LNG imports). The costs of natural gas, oil and coal imports are listed in Table 3. The data on investment in the energy industry already transformed to indirect energy inputs are shown in row C_6 of Appendix A (Tables A1–A3), and investment in the energy industry already includes the energy infrastructure construction, for example, regasification terminals for importing LNG, pipelines for importing oil and gas, etc. With the increase of China's energy consumption, investment is becoming increasingly prominent role in energy industry (see Figure 3).

To be clear, the imported LNG cost underwent massive increase from 2005 to 2006 (see Table 3). One reason for this data jump is that the natural gas price increased even more rapidly after 2005 [25,26]. Another reason is that China's importing of large LNG started in 2006. First, the LNG regasification terminal in Guangdong (province of China) was completed in 2006 and opened the window of China's natural gas market onto the international market [27]. Australia's first shipment of LNG to China was achieved in 2006. China's LNG imports have grown from 0.66 million cubic meters in 2005 to more than 935 million cubic meters in 2006. Further, there is a similar problem in imported pipeline gas costs from 2009 to 2010, mainly because China started importing pipeline natural gas in 2009 to meet an increase in demand. The first pipeline for imports of natural gas was the second West-to-East gas pipeline, which was constructed in 2009. In recent years, natural gas consumption of China is rising rapidly. This increase is a result of China's pursuit of a national energy strategy that boosts natural gas consumption to diversify its energy mix and to reduce greenhouse gas pollution. For these reasons,

China accelerates the construction of natural gas pipelines, which will ship natural gas from central Asia and Russia to China.

Additionally, we utilized a GDP deflator and exchange rate to change all the data from current United States dollar (USD) to 2010 USD. For example, the unit in Table 3 is current USD but is transformed into 2010 USD by a GDP deflator when calculating $EROI_{POU}$. The GDP deflator and exchange rate data are from the World Bank.

Table 3. Costs of natural gas imports (units: current 1000 USD).

Year	Imported Pipeline Gas Cost	Imported LNG Cost	Total Cost	Imports (Billion Cubic Meters)
2003	1	8	9	3.6×10^{-7}
2004	6	142	148	5.6×10^{-4}
2005	8	182	190	6.7×10^{-4}
2006	22	115,426	115,448	10
2007	19	600,575	600,595	40
2008	54	930,845	930,898	46
2009	758	1,262,798	1263,556	76
2010	993,003	3,015,094	4008,097	165
2011	4,651,657	5,763,572	10,415,229	312
2012	7,941,830	8,234,335	16,799,319	412
2013	9,869,047	9,204,502	19,073,549	525
2014	11,614,154	10,617,562	22,231,716	591
2015	9,690,000	8,854,373	18,544,373	611

According to study of Mudge et al. [28], transportation by train uses approximately 900 BTU/ton-mile, or 0.59 MJ per ton-kilometer; transportation by truck uses approximately 3400 BTU/ton-mile and 3.587 MJ per ton-mile, or 2.229 MJ per ton-kilometer; and transportation by fuel pipeline requires 500 BTU/ton-mile and 0.528 MJ per ton-mile, or 0.328 MJ per ton-kilometer. Freight traffic data from the China Statistical Yearbook [29] and China Development Report [30] reflect the movements of oil, natural gas and coal from ports, mines and oil fields to the point of use (see Table 4). Thus, we can calculate the energy used in different processes. According to the China Statistical Yearbook and the China Energy Statistical Yearbook [31], gas transport through pipelines is converted from volume to tonnage using the conversion ratio of 1000 cubic meters equal to one ton. Comparing Table 3 with Table 4, the data trend becomes even more confusing. Why do these massive data jumps of natural gas imports in Table 3 not have an impact on the data about natural gas transportation in Table 4? The reasonable interpretation is that the transportation data shown in Table 4 are not only for imported natural gas but are also for domestic natural gas transportation.

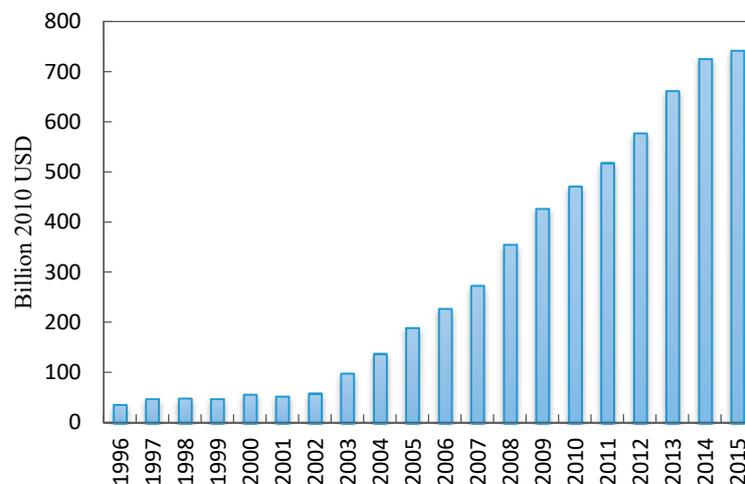


Figure 3. Investment of energy industry in China from 1996 to 2015 [31].

The TPES of fossil fuels minus energy losses is considered the energy output in this study. The sum of the EIOU, energy consumed by transport and indirect monetary inputs is considered the total energy input.

Table 4. Railway and pipeline freight traffic by fossil fuel type in China.

Year	Coal (Units: Million Ton-Kilometers)	Oil (Units: Million Ton-Kilometers)		Natural Gas (Units: Million Ton-Kilometers)
	Railway	Railway	Pipeline	Pipeline
1996	435,116	63,693	56,459	2006
1997	420,970	65,672	55,825	2097
1998	386,479	67,843	58,050	2527
1999	389,496	77,396	59,652	3141
2000	420,820	81,599	60,132	3483
2001	469,580	89,996	60,179	5096
2002	512,641	97,316	61,039	7239
2003	569,329	102,934	63,387	10,552
2004	637,449	109,964	69,630	11,861
2005	711,214	118,495	78,139	30,627
2006	755,083	118,015	84,357	48,487
2007	828,182	115,831	94,587	57,132
2008	922,037	116,236	106,532	64,130
2009	931,772	119,234	120,101	72,745
2010	1,095,504	120,986	135,185	86,245
2011	1,226,674	112,788	151,666	107,896
2012	1,187,383	108,213	169,434	140,965
2013	1,189,489	108,287	188,967	160,622
2014	1,158,161	111,424	209,477	223,351
2015	962,782	105,667	209,980	256,555

2.4. Data Sources for EROI_{POU} Predictions

The dynamic function of the EROI is a product of two components: technological and physical depletion, both of which are functions of cumulative production. Dale et al. [32] conjectured that EROI trends would decline after cumulative production equals one quarter of URR. Although this quantitative relationship is hard to prove because of the lack of long-term real data of EROI, it illustrates that EROI is a function of the cumulative production of a resource. This means that if we want to predict EROI, we must first predict the cumulative production of fossil fuels.

Many different mathematical functions can be obtained and used to forecast the cumulative production of fossil fuels (some bell-shaped models that forecast production per year can also be used), such as the Hubbert, Gompertz, Richards and log-normal models. Wang et al. [33] performed a comprehensive analysis of Richards' models and identified the key factors that affect the results of the models. The Richards model is a more general and flexible model that can be either symmetric or asymmetric depending on the key factors. Wang et al. also illustrated how these factors influence the forecast results by applying varying techniques to China's conventional fossil fuel resource estimates. Based on study's analyses of Wang et al., suggested that positively skewed curves should be favored in analyses of local and regional production, not only because of their lower sensitivity to changes in curvature but also because positively skewed curve shapes are more common in analyses of local and regional production per Brandt [9]. Based on the above analysis, we considered curve shape, URR, cycle number and maximum depletion rate constraints in this study. Thus, the fossil fuel production predictions in China are from Wang et al.'s analysis; in addition, an inflection point of 0.37 is considered to produce a positively skewed curve. The results are presented in Table 5 and Figure 4.

To clarify, there are two reasons why we didn't include unconventional fossil fuels EROI_{POU}: first, China's unconventional fossil fuels production was very low before 2015, and the impact on the EROI calculation was limited; second, the boundaries between conventional and unconventional is not very clear during extraction result in the inputs data can't be separate.

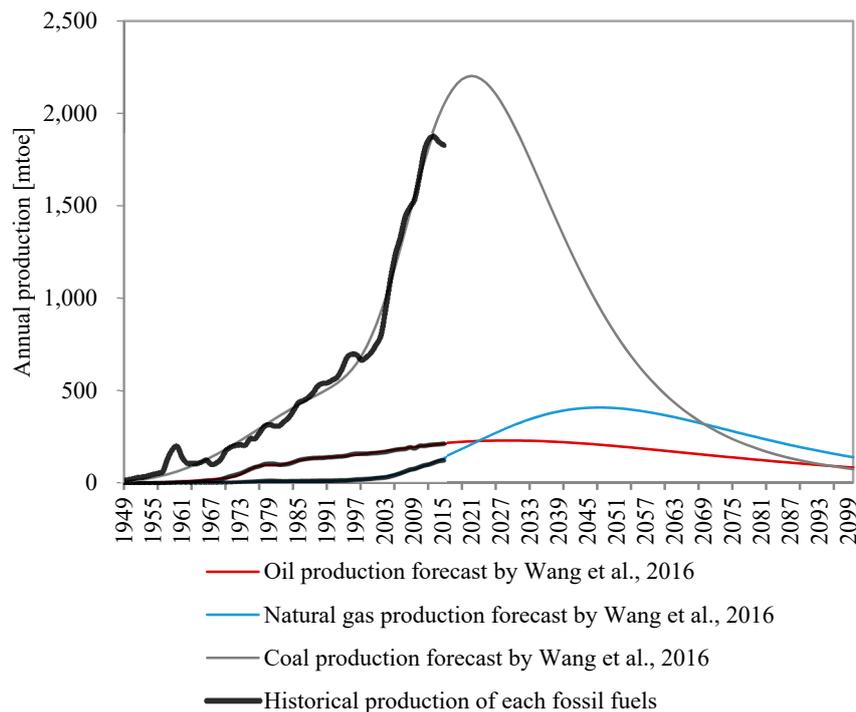


Figure 4. Forecasted results for Chinese conventional fossil fuel production by Wang et al. [33].

Table 5. Key factors applied to Chinese fossil fuel production forecasting.

Cases	URR (mtoe)	Inflection Point	Peak Year	Peak Production (mtoe)	Maximum Depletion Rate
Oil	21,200	0.37	2026	222.31	0.0295
Gas	19,800	0.37	2040	300.30	0.0398
Coal	11,800	0.37	2021	2202.12	0.0484

3. Results

The NEY and $EROI_{POU}$ values of conventional fossil fuels in China were calculated using Equations (2) and (3); detailed example calculations of $EROI_{POU}$ and NEY are provided in Table 1. Based on our calculations, the $EROI_{POU}$ of China's conventional oil declined from 8:1 to 6.5:1 from 1996 to 2015 (see Figure 5). In general, the $EROI_{POU}$ of coal tended to increase slightly but irregularly; however, it was associated with large value fluctuations in the range of 8.0:1 to 3.5:1 during the period from 1996 to 2015. The $EROI_{POU}$ trends for natural gas exhibited increases in the early years but then decreased later in the study period.

A comparison of this study and other related studies (unconventional oil & gas with same development techniques and conventional oil & gas in China) is shown in Figure 6. $EROI_{POU}$ in the present study is less than other $EROI_{ST}$ values (see Figure 6). $EROI_{POU}$ values in this study are less than those proposed by Hu et al. [17] because the $EROI_{POU}$ in this study has large boundaries. In addition, Chen et al. [15] (Emergy-EROI) and Xu et al. [16] calculated the $EROI_{ST}$ for Daqing oilfield, the results indicate that $EROI_{POU}$ of oil in this study was similar to the $EROI_{ST}$ in the because the Daqing oilfield is largest oilfield in China. It is also among the world's largest oil fields. It has obviously made a tremendous contribution to China's oil industry and has maintained a long-term stable yield. Compare $EROI_{POU}$ of China's conventional fossil fuels with EROI of unconventional fossil fuels [34–41] from another country, it can be seen that the EROI for China's conventional fossil fuels is lower than the EROI of unconventional fossil fuels based on current literature. Figure 6 also shows the EROI of U.S. shale oil & gas and China's conventional oil & gas. We can see that the estimated EROI of China's shale gas wells is within the range of estimated EROI for U.S. shale oil, but is much higher than

the EROI of China’s conventional oil & gas. Based on the above analyses, it can be concluded that conventional fossil fuels are not a sustainable choice for China to develop in future from the perspective of net energy.

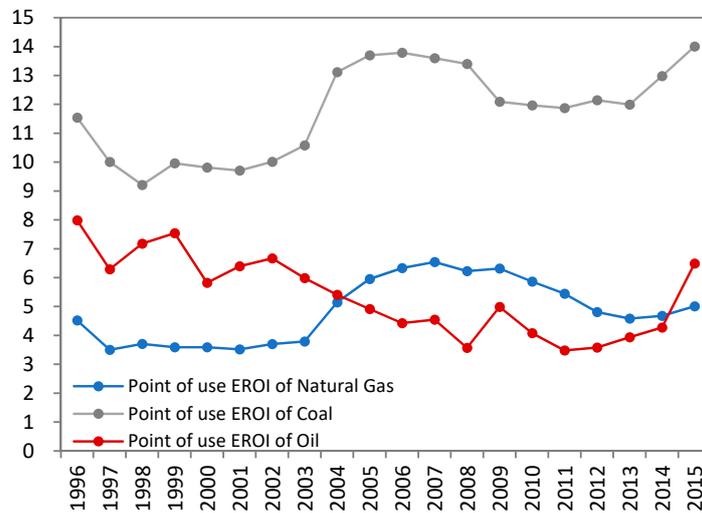


Figure 5. EROI_{ST} and EROI_{POU} of coal in China from 2000 to 2013.

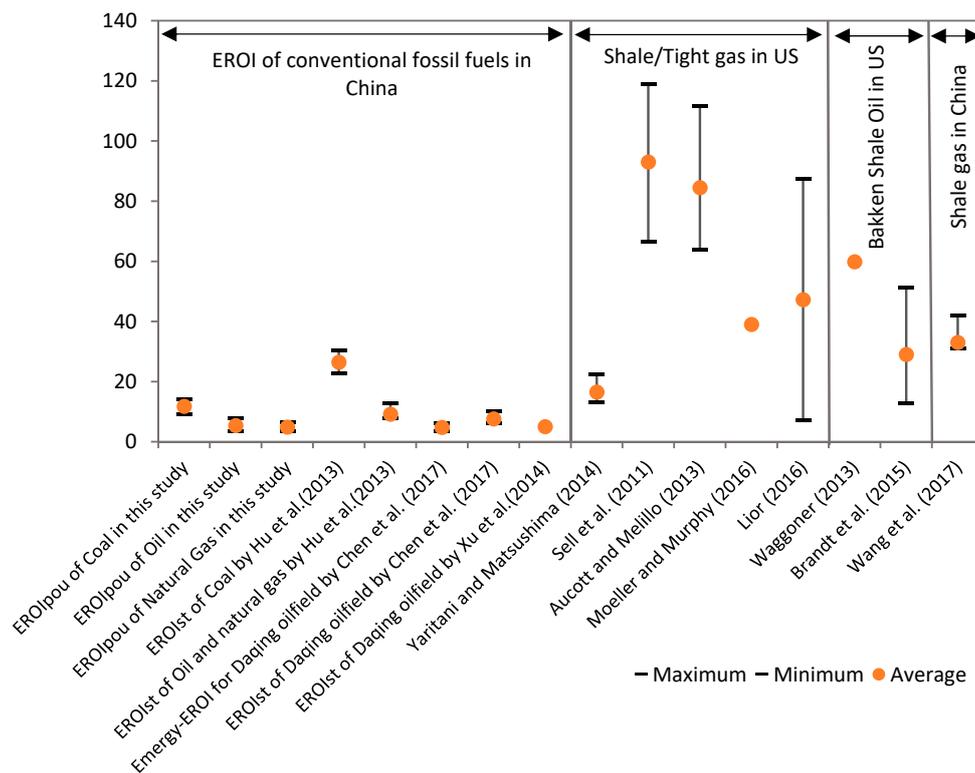


Figure 6. Comparison of EROI_{POU} with present EROI studies.

Based on the dynamic EROI function, we discovered that EROI_{POU} of conventional fossil fuels in China peaked during the study period (see Figure 7). In particular, the EROI_{POU} of conventional oil continued to decline between 1996 and 2015. The EROI_{POU} of conventional oil in China will reach a breakeven point in 2030, indicating that EROI_{POU} will reach 1:1 in 2026, which is significant because when the EROI of an energy-producing process falls to less than approximately 10:1, the net energy

delivered to society from that process begins to decline exponentially [6,37,42,43]. A resource with an EROI value less than 1:1 will not be able to produce net energy; i.e., all the energy produced is used to produce that energy [15]. The primary reason for the decline in the $EROI_{POU}$ of conventional oil and natural gas is caused by the rapid decrease in the physical depletion curves (see Figure 8). From the conventional oil and natural gas perspective, although physically depleted, oil and natural gas have higher initial values than coal, but they still have a higher depletion rate. The $EROI_{POU}$ of conventional fossil fuels is similar to a balanced game between technology and physical depletion. The $EROI_{POU}$ reaches a peak when the technological curve intersects the physical depletion curve.

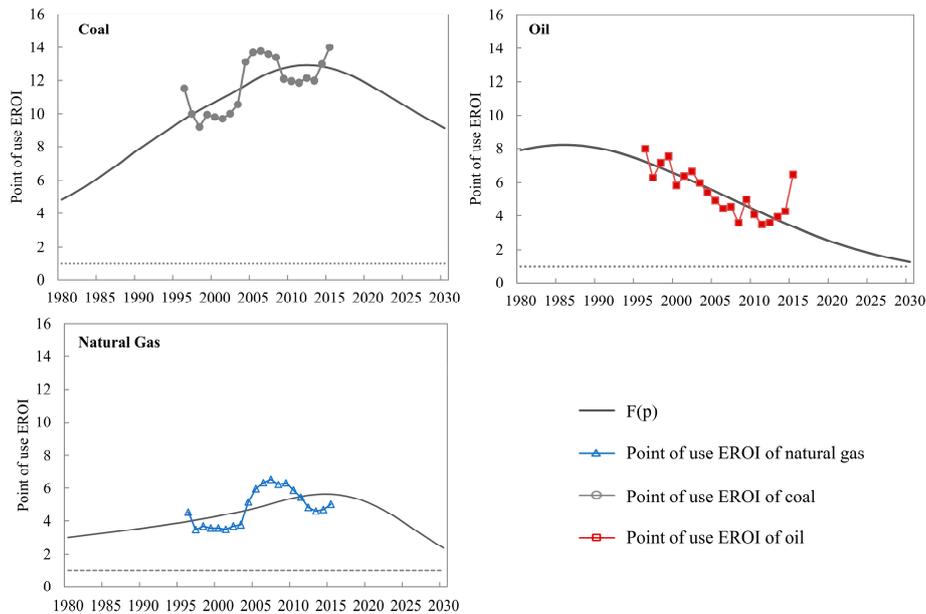


Figure 7. Forecast EROI of Chinese fossil fuels using the dynamic EROI function; the black dotted line is the break-even line, or the point at which the point-of-use EROI is 1:1.

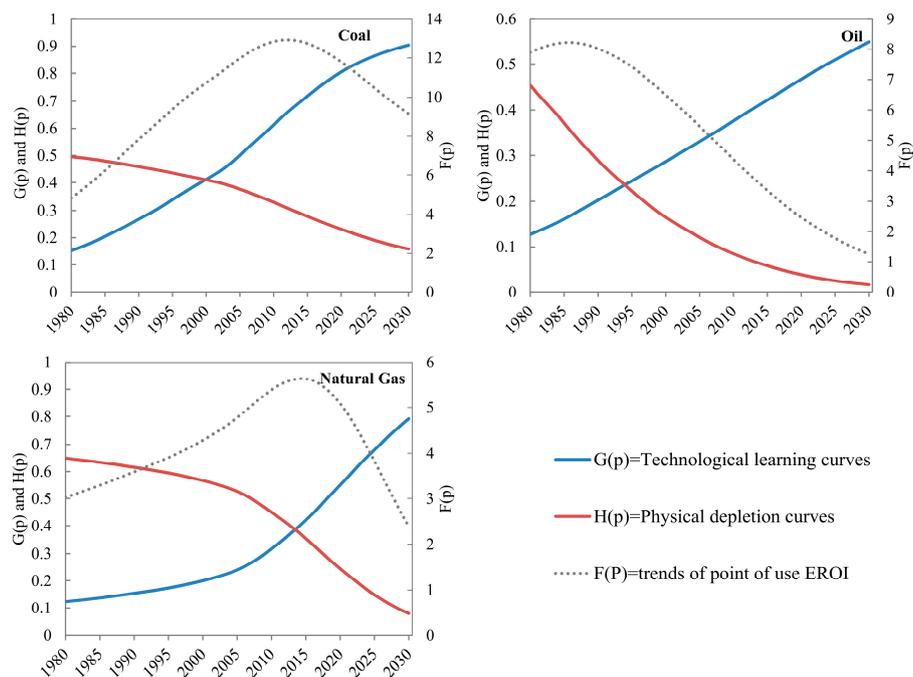


Figure 8. Technological and physical depletion component for Chinese fossil fuels.

Figure 9 shows that the total conventional fossil fuels supply in China was 2973 mtoe in 2015, NEYs was 2354 mtoe, which accounted for 87.4% of the total fossil fuel supply. Notably, in 2015, approximately 20.8% of one unit of fossil fuel was required to produce, process, and move the fuel to its end-use location. These inputs are particularly high in China compared to those in other countries. The gap between TPES and NEY continues to grow larger as the $EROI_{POU}$ declines which will lead to fewer NEYs from Chinese conventional fossil fuels.

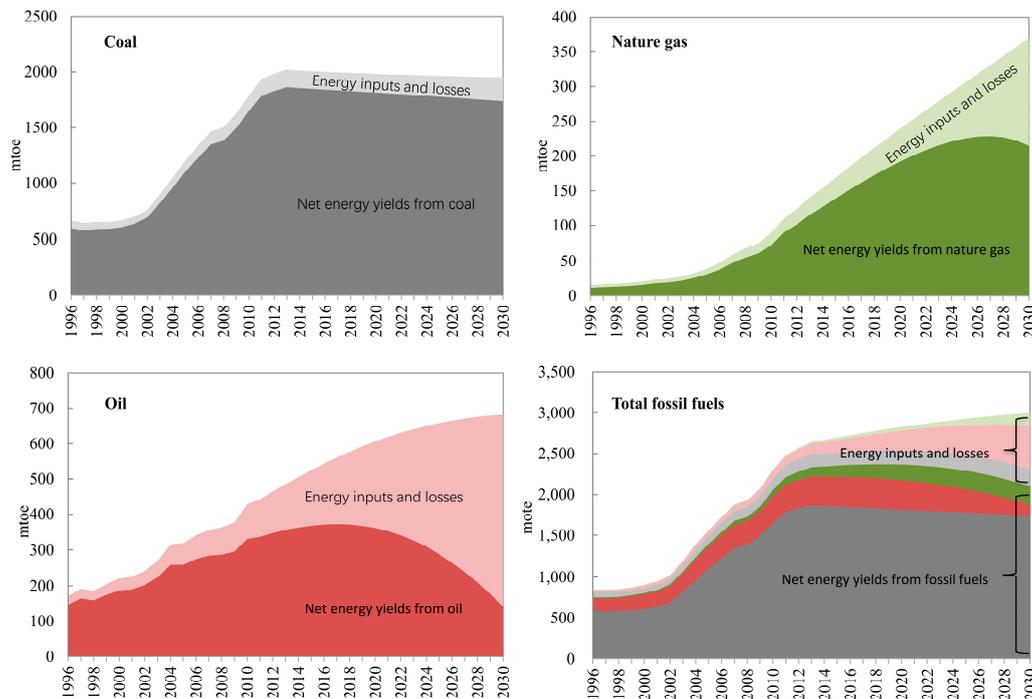


Figure 9. Net Energy yields from fossil fuels from 1996 to 2030, TPES means Total Primary Energy Supply. Blue area (dark + light) is TPES from natural gas, red area (dark + light) is TPES from oil, gray area (dark + light) is TPES from coal, green area (dark + light) is gross TPES from fossil fuels.

To predict Chinese NEYs in the future using Equation (3), the first step is to estimate the future total fossil fuel consumption and $EROI_{POU}$. The new policies scenario in the World Energy Outlook 2016, published by the IEA, incorporates existing energy policies, as well as an assessment of the results likely to stem from the implementation of announced intentions, including those in the climate pledges submitted for the United Nations Climate Change Conference in 2015 [20]. Additionally, this scenario considers some of the policies that are being implemented in further efforts by the Chinese government to reform the economic and energy structure (assumptions of a new policy scenario in WEO-2016 include the following: (1) NDC GHG targets are to achieve peak CO_2 emissions around 2030, to make the best efforts to peak early, and to lower CO_2 emissions by unit of GDP by 60–65% from 2005 levels by 2030; (2) NDC energy targets are to increase the share of non-fossil fuels in primary energy consumption to around 20% by 2030; (3) there are efforts to restructure the economy and to shift emphasis away from investment and export-led growth toward the services sector and domestic consumption; (4) emissions trading schemes cover the power and industry sectors from 2017; (5) the use of natural gas is expanded; and (6) energy price reform is undertaken, including more frequent adjustments to oil product prices and increases in natural gas prices by 15% for non-residential consumers), for example, to achieve peak CO_2 emissions in approximately 2030 and to expand the use of natural gas and renewable energy. Given the above situation, in this study, fossil fuel consumption in the WEO-2016 new policies scenario was considered China's future energy consumption. Combined with the $EROI_{POU}$ of future Chinese fossil fuels, NEYs could be predicted using Equation (3) (see Figure 9). The results show that the NEYs

of Chinese fossil fuels peaked in 2016 because of a sharp decline in $EROI_{POU}$, which is a dangerous signal for the Chinese energy industry; however, few people have noticed this trend.

4. Discussion

4.1. Why Do the $EROI_{ST}$ and $EROI_{POU}$ in This Study Differ from Hu et al. (2013)?

There are three causes of our low $EROI_{POU}$ values for Chinese fossil fuels compared to Hu et al. [17] (see Figure 6). First, Hu et al. [17] only calculated parts of the direct energy inputs from oil and natural gas extraction in China. They included natural gas, crude oil, electricity, diesel oil, raw coal, fuel oil, gasoline and refinery gas, all of which accounted for 14.4% of direct energy inputs in 2010 for coal and 67.6% for oil and natural gas. Second, when we calculated $EROI_{POU}$ in this study, we also eliminated energy losses from the energy output, which Hu et al. [17] did not. Finally, the $EROI_{POU}$ was lower than $EROI_{ST}$ because the parameters for the point-of-use EROI in this study were larger than $EROI_{ST}$ indicating that more energy inputs will be calculated (energy inputs included the following: indirect energy inputs for imported fossil fuels in the energy industry sectors; the direct energy inputs, including the refining, coking, transport, mining and extraction stage). However, the value of $EROI_{POU}$ was significantly lower, not only because the energy inputs are increasing and energy outputs are decreasing but also because of the indirect energy inputs for imported fossil fuels. When we calculate $EROI_{ST}$, we do not need to calculate indirect energy inputs for imported energy because all energy outputs are domestic. However, if we extend the boundary to point of use, the energy outputs include imported fossil fuels. Thus, we must calculate indirect energy inputs for importation.

4.2. Sensitivity Analysis for $EROI_{POU}$

Sensitivity analysis of energy prices is necessary because of the uncertainty of energy prices in the future. Since 1995, China's dependence on foreign oil and gas has grown from near zero to approaching 60% and 30%, respectively. Given this situation, it was difficult to determine how the energy price change would affect $EROI_{POU}$ because of the money spent for import fossil fuels as indirect energy inputs in this study. In addition, URR is mainly used as a parameter to predict $EROI_{POU}$, and given the impact of URR on $EROI_{POU}$ over the gradual long term, $EROI_{POU}$ will change several years later than URR changes. Thus, $EROI_{POU}$ in 2030 was used in the sensitivity analysis of URR as an outcome. The results are shown in Figure 10.

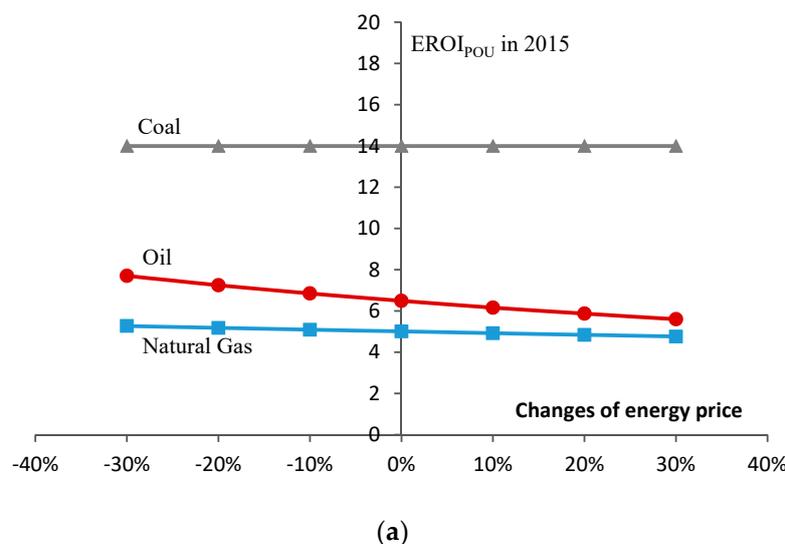


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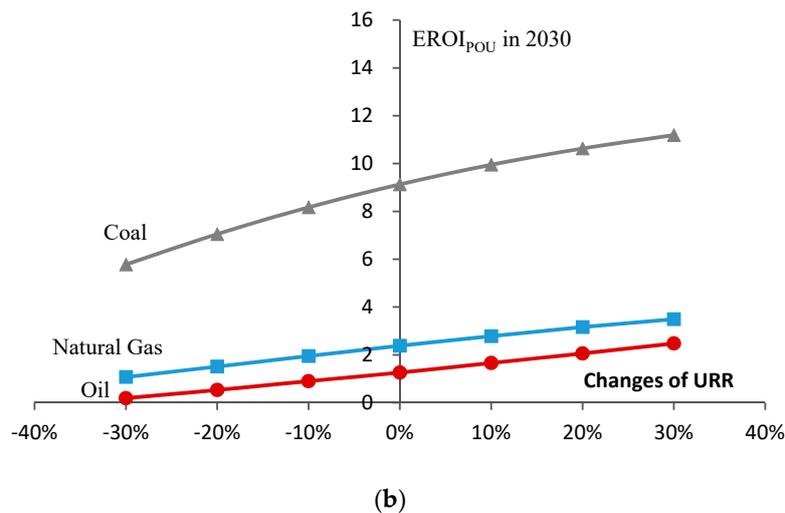


Figure 10. Sensitivity analysis of URR and energy regarding the $EROI_{POU}$ of coal, oil and natural gas. Portion (a) indicates that the $EROI_{POU}$ of oil and natural gas are sensitive to energy price changes; portion (b) indicates that the $EROI_{POU}$ of coal, oil and natural gas is sensitive to URR changes.

Figure 10a indicates that the $EROI_{POU}$ of oil and natural gas is sensitive to energy price increases, but $EROI_{POU}$ of coal is not. The reason for this situation is that China imported little coal during 1980–2015 because of abundant reserves. Figure 10b indicates that the $EROI_{POU}$ of coal, oil and natural gas is sensitive to URR increases.

4.3. What Is the Impact of a Decrease in $EROI_{POU}$ on Net Energy Yields?

Although the total fossil fuel supply for the entire Chinese economy increased from 1996 to 2015, but the growth in net NEYs was slower because of decrease in the $EROI_{POU}$ of conventional fossil fuels, suggesting that an increasing proportion of energy inputs is used by the energy conversion chain. In other words, the gap between total fossil fuel consumption and the net energy from fossil fuels is increasing. If this trend continues in the future, problems will likely occur. Specifically, more fossil fuels will be required to meet the net energy requirements of the economy and society (if the $EROI_{POU}$ continues to decrease sharply). In this scenario, the rate of NEYs growth is slower than that of total fossil fuel consumption.

The high inputs from the production, processing and delivery of useful energy to the economy in China constitute the primary reason for the slow growth and subsequent gradual decrease in the $EROI_{POU}$ values, which may explain why China's fossil fuels consumption is risen faster than expected because growth of the Chinese economy requires additional net energy yields. However, the economy has grown at a slower rate in recent years, and the quality of the fossil fuels in China will likely continue to decrease indefinitely. We believe that the low $EROI_{POU}$ of conventional fossil fuels in China calculated in this study is unlikely to be reversed. As $EROI$ approaches 1:1, the ratio of the energy gained to the energy used from various energy sources decreases exponentially [44], indicating that it is difficult to gained sufficient net energy if China continues to use too many fossil fuels (see Figures 11 and 12). Therefore, the decline in the $EROI_{POU}$ of China's fossil fuels will decrease even more if no actions are undertaken to reverse these trends. China must create a sustainable energy development system with a high $EROI_{POU}$ through energy structure adjustment. Brockway et al. [45] projected China's 2030 primary energy demand in the range of 6000–6300 mtoe, significantly higher than the 4500–5200 mtoe estimates from published sources using traditional energy models, because of useful work (minimum exergy input to achieve that task work transfer) not growing as quickly as primary exergy in China.

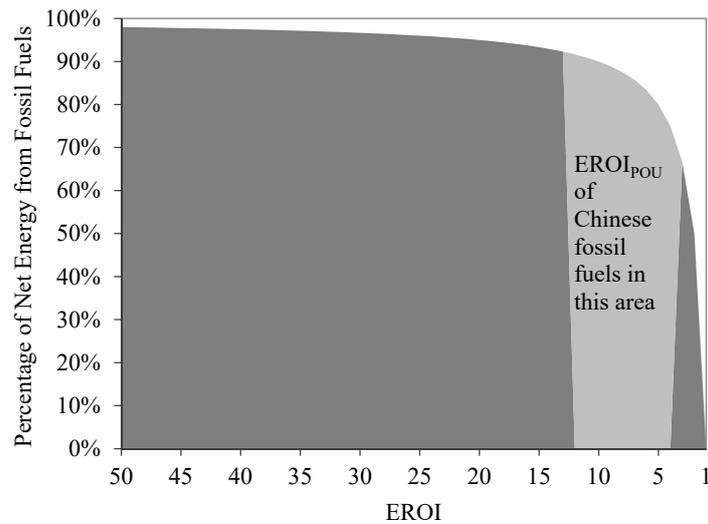


Figure 11. Net Energy Cliff of Conventional Fossil Fuels in China based on the $EROI_{POU}$ results in this study. The relationship between net and gross energy is called the “Net Energy Cliff”. Mearns [22], Murphy and Hall [46] have discussed this relationship and noted a declining relationship between gross and net energy.

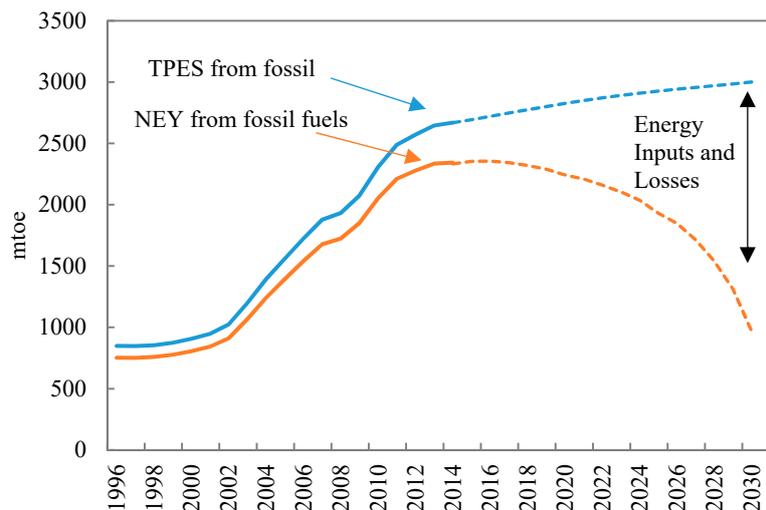


Figure 12. Peak net energy yields of Chinese fossil fuels appear in 2016. The gap is widening between TPES and net energy yields from fossil fuels because of the rapid decline in $EROI_{POU}$.

Countries cannot provide sufficient NEYs are associated with poverty, constrained food production, limited conveyance of essential goods and services. Lambert et al. [7] and Hall [18] constructed a “Pyramid of Energetic Needs” model similar to the famous Maslow demand curve mentioned in Maslow [46]. Quoting from Hall [18]: “Think of society dependent upon one energy resource, its domestic oil. If the EROI for this oil was 1.1:1 one could pump the oil out of the ground and look at it. If the children were to be educated you would need perhaps 9 or 10:1, have health care 12:1, have arts in their life maybe 14:1 and so on.” Lambert et al. [7] found that nations with HDI (human development index) levels greater than 0.949 have higher national $EROI_{SOC}$ values and lower energy use per capita than other countries.

Both Hall and Lambert explained that when a country has a higher EROI and abundant resources, it is more better able to provide a high quality of life for its people. Based on the trend results for

the $EROI_{POU}$ in this study, the $EROI_{POU}$ of Chinese fossil fuels will continue declining in the future, indicating that it will become increasingly difficult to obtain additional NEYs from Chinese fossil fuels.

5. Conclusions

Measuring the EROI from the energy extraction stage to the energy point-of-use stage provides a complete estimate of NEYs. This study aims to build a model to calculate the $EROI_{POU}$ of conventional fossil fuels in China and to identify the mathematical relationship between NEY and $EROI_{POU}$.

Based on our calculations, the $EROI_{POU}$ of both coal (range of value: 14:1–9.2:1), oil (range of value: 8:1–3.5:1) and natural gas (range of value: 6.5:1–3.6:1) display downward trends in the future 15 years. However, the $EROI_{POU}$ of China's conventional natural gas peaked in next years; and the $EROI_{POU}$ of China's conventional oil and coal have already passed their peak points and will continue to decline until they eventually reach less than 1:1 before 2030.

In addition, EROI of unconventional fossil fuels is higher than China's conventional fossil fuels EROI from the result of other studies. Based on these analyses, it can be concluded that shale gas & oil could be a good choice for China to develop in future to solve its conventional fossil fuels shortage from the perspective of EROI.

Using a simulated $EROI_{POU}$ dynamic function, we further predict the impacts of a decline in the $EROI_{POU}$ on China's NEY supply in the future. The $EROI_{POU}$ of China's conventional fossil fuels will rapidly decrease in the next 15 years and will be accompanied by a slowdown in the growth of China's net fossil fuels supply; this slowdown eventually resulted in the NEY shortage. Most organizations predict fossil energy supplies, such as the new policy scenario from WEO-2016, which simply considers the TPES of Chinese fossil fuels and ignores the impact of the $EROI_{POU}$ decrease on NEY. The impact of the decrease in $EROI_{POU}$ cannot be ignored in this situation. China should speed up energy reforms moves to reduce dependence on conventional fossil fuels and developing new energy with a higher $EROI_{POU}$. And this must faster than IEA's new policy scenario in WEO-2016.

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Abbreviations

BTU	British Thermal Unit
CCS	Carbon Capture and Storage
EROI	Energy Return on Investment
$EROI_{POU}$	Point-of-use EROI
$EROI_{ST}$	Standard EROI
$EROI_{EXT}$	Extended EROI
EIOU	Energy Industry's Own Use
FFC	Full Fuel Cycle
GHG	Greenhouse Gas
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GJ	Gigajoules
HDI	Human Development Index
IEA	International Energy Agency
LNG	Liquefied Natural Gas
mtoe	Million Tons Oil Equivalent
NEY	Net Energy Yields
MJ	Megajoules
NDC	Nationally Determined Contributions

TPES	Total Primary Energy Supply
USD	United State Dollars
URR	Ultimately Recoverable Resource
WEO	World Energy Outlook

Appendix A

Table A1. Data for calculate EROI_{POU} of coal in China (units: mtoe).

Years	Imports	TPES	C ₁	C ₂	C ₃	C ₄	C ₅	C ₆	L ₁	L ₂	L ₃	EROI _{POU}
1996	1.81	661.60	32.14	13.34	4.99	6.14	0.15	16.00	0.00	6.22	0.36	11.54
1997	1.32	638.29	36.82	15.00	5.27	5.94	0.09	19.00	0.00	6.46	0.36	10.01
1998	1.06	649.46	43.13	14.80	6.38	5.45	0.06	18.03	0.00	6.38	0.22	9.21
1999	1.09	650.24	35.70	15.82	7.49	5.49	0.05	17.25	0.00	7.02	0.34	9.96
2000	1.50	664.72	35.31	17.84	7.79	5.93	0.05	18.34	0.00	7.68	0.37	9.81
2001	1.75	698.05	36.25	19.96	8.11	6.62	0.06	15.15	0.00	8.50	0.37	9.71
2002	6.06	756.88	36.32	22.91	7.89	7.23	0.23	17.07	0.00	9.65	0.43	10.01
2003	6.68	901.48	43.54	24.83	7.51	8.03	0.26	29.18	0.00	10.44	0.43	10.58
2004	11.37	1046.37	33.16	27.84	8.23	8.99	0.62	44.74	0.00	11.73	0.48	13.12
2005	14.92	1203.69	38.39	27.62	9.84	10.03	0.91	62.89	0.00	14.24	0.58	13.70
2006	20.63	1337.34	44.74	30.12	9.32	10.65	1.00	73.04	0.00	15.59	0.66	13.79
2007	28.09	1463.82	51.75	32.87	8.72	11.68	1.31	80.46	0.00	17.34	0.71	13.60
2008	23.81	1501.92	53.77	34.66	7.62	13.00	1.65	95.84	0.00	18.05	0.70	13.40
2009	72.32	1623.18	70.00	36.93	7.69	13.14	4.86	118.05	0.00	18.99	0.70	12.09
2010	98.79	1788.94	75.49	40.73	8.71	15.45	7.28	130.06	0.00	21.49	0.73	11.96
2011	117.45	1936.38	77.87	47.70	8.98	17.30	9.28	143.44	0.00	22.59	0.77	11.87
2012	151.91	1984.57	77.52	47.27	9.17	16.74	10.63	156.69	0.00	24.23	0.80	12.15
2013	174.11	2020.14	77.60	52.08	9.70	16.77	10.01	163.67	0.00	26.29	0.93	11.99
2014	154.48	2011.50	65.69	53.65	10.00	16.33	7.21	168.25	0.00	25.91	1.08	12.98
25	108.75	1976.91	56.08	55.73	10.43	13.58	3.51	158.41	0.00	24.79	1.05	14.00

Table A2. Data for calculate EROI_{POU} of oil in China (units: mtoe).

Years	Imports	TPES	C ₁	C ₂	C ₃	C ₄	C ₅	C ₆	L ₁	L ₂	L ₃	EROI _{POU}
1996	22.62	170.83	12.39	0.82	0.73	1.34	5.86	6.23	1.62	0.38	0.05	7.98
1997	35.47	191.30	18.80	0.81	0.65	1.36	8.41	8.16	1.90	0.35	0.04	6.29
1998	27.32	185.96	17.37	0.90	0.98	1.41	4.93	7.53	1.98	0.39	0.03	7.18
1999	36.61	204.74	17.43	0.83	0.92	1.56	6.11	6.82	1.86	0.37	0.04	7.54
2000	70.27	220.81	19.92	0.80	0.92	1.62	14.26	8.03	1.93	0.34	0.04	5.82
2001	60.26	225.98	20.27	0.86	0.92	1.74	11.19	8.79	1.90	0.36	0.04	6.39
2002	69.41	242.40	20.90	0.91	0.67	1.85	11.69	8.81	1.91	0.38	0.04	6.67
2003	91.02	270.13	22.88	0.90	0.70	1.95	18.39	16.74	1.62	0.38	0.04	5.98
2004	122.72	314.70	23.96	1.06	0.66	2.10	30.08	21.36	1.50	0.45	0.04	5.41
2005	126.82	317.82	22.57	0.70	0.48	2.28	38.27	26.77	1.56	0.36	0.03	4.91
2006	145.18	340.08	22.21	0.50	0.45	2.33	50.88	32.91	2.00	0.26	0.03	4.42
2007	163.16	354.91	22.47	0.35	0.36	2.37	52.07	39.59	2.00	0.18	0.03	4.54
2008	46.19	362.66	22.94	0.24	0.38	2.47	74.90	49.08	2.03	0.12	0.04	3.57
2009	203.65	376.60	23.12	0.15	0.37	2.62	48.86	50.80	1.89	0.08	0.03	4.99
2010	237.68	427.96	33.06	0.19	0.66	2.77	67.72	55.26	1.95	0.10	0.06	4.08
2011	253.78	442.16	33.99	0.16	0.55	2.78	89.07	57.90	1.83	0.07	0.05	3.48
2012	271.03	464.16	31.67	0.14	0.49	2.85	93.99	59.28	1.83	0.07	0.04	3.58
2013	281.74	485.39	32.42	0.13	0.45	3.01	86.71	70.49	2.17	0.06	0.04	3.94
2014	308.37	504.33	32.32	0.12	0.53	3.21	81.60	70.48		0.06	0.06	4.27
2015	335.48	533.73	35.18	0.13	0.48	3.14	43.20	53.76	0.88	0.06	0.05	6.49

Table A3. Data for calculate EROI_{POU} of natural gas in China (units: mtoe).

Years	Imports	TPES	C ₁	C ₂	C ₃	C ₄	C ₅	C ₆	L ₁	L ₂	L ₃	EROI _{POU}
1996	0.00	15.45	3.24	0.05	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.03	0.47	0.02	0.00	4.52
1997	0.00	16.85	4.50	0.14	0.01	0.02	0.00	0.08	0.46	0.06	0.00	3.50
1998	0.00	17.46	4.36	0.10	0.10	0.02	0.00	0.19	0.45	0.04	0.00	3.71
1999	0.00	18.86	4.81	0.08	0.19	0.02	0.00	0.26	0.49	0.04	0.01	3.59
2000	0.00	20.75	5.21	0.10	0.28	0.03	0.00	0.38	0.56	0.04	0.01	3.59
2001	0.00	23.35	6.03	0.09	0.32	0.04	0.00	0.33	0.52	0.04	0.01	3.52
2002	0.00	24.65	6.08	0.07	0.29	0.06	0.00	0.34	0.53	0.03	0.02	3.70
2003	0.00	27.73	6.78	0.08	0.21	0.08	0.00	0.40	0.56	0.04	0.01	3.79
2004	0.00	32.65	5.69	0.12	0.31	0.09	0.00	0.79	0.65	0.05	0.02	5.14
2005	0.00	38.78	5.60	0.17	0.34	0.24	0.00	1.08	0.86	0.09	0.02	5.96
2006	0.80	47.36	6.35	0.31	0.21	0.38	0.07	0.96	0.83	0.16	0.01	6.33
2007	3.36	59.12	7.44	0.42	0.23	0.45	0.33	1.21	0.93	0.22	0.02	6.54
2008	3.85	68.32	9.15	0.44	0.22	0.50	0.44	1.45	1.16	0.23	0.02	6.23
2009	6.39	75.04	9.40	0.73	0.25	0.57	0.58	2.28	1.82	0.37	0.02	6.32
2010	12.59	89.37	11.20	0.98	0.30	0.68	1.72	2.67	1.58	0.52	0.02	5.87
2011	24.50	109.96	13.41	1.23	0.28	0.85	4.04	2.68	1.47	0.58	0.02	5.44
2012	33.31	123.43	16.30	1.24	0.31	1.11	6.22	3.08	1.70	0.63	0.03	4.81
2013	41.66	140.48	20.63	1.36	0.39	1.26	6.57	3.69	1.30	0.68	0.04	4.58
2014	46.93	153.64	21.36	1.49	0.49	1.75	7.21	4.68	1.84	0.72	0.05	4.68
2015	48.64	161.26	21.72	1.97	0.57	2.01	5.38	5.61	1.84	0.88	0.06	5.01

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