

# **An Assessment Of Romanian National Determined Contribution (NDC) to Climate Change Mitigation**

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# Outlines

- Romania general overview, energy situation and role of nuclear energy sector
- Possible **National Determined Contributions (NDCs)** and those considered in analysis
- Scenarios Description (Basic, NDC50, NDC70 and NDC90)
- MESSAGE Model (Demand, Load regions, Tech. Chain)
- **Results:** Electricity, Heat & Oil Production, Shadow Price of Electricity, National NDC (ktons of CO2 emission avoiding);
- Conclusions and Recommendations.

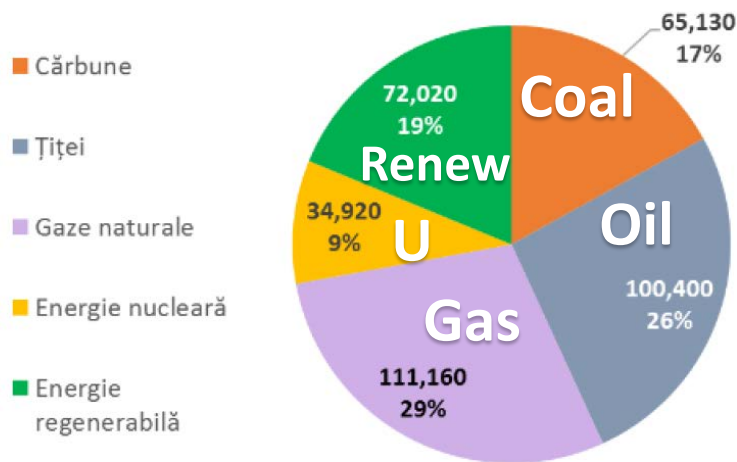
# Romania Overview



- Romania is an East European Country
- 20 millions people,
- 238, 391 sq. km, temperate-continentl climate, 4 seasons

# Romanian Primary Energy Share (2015)

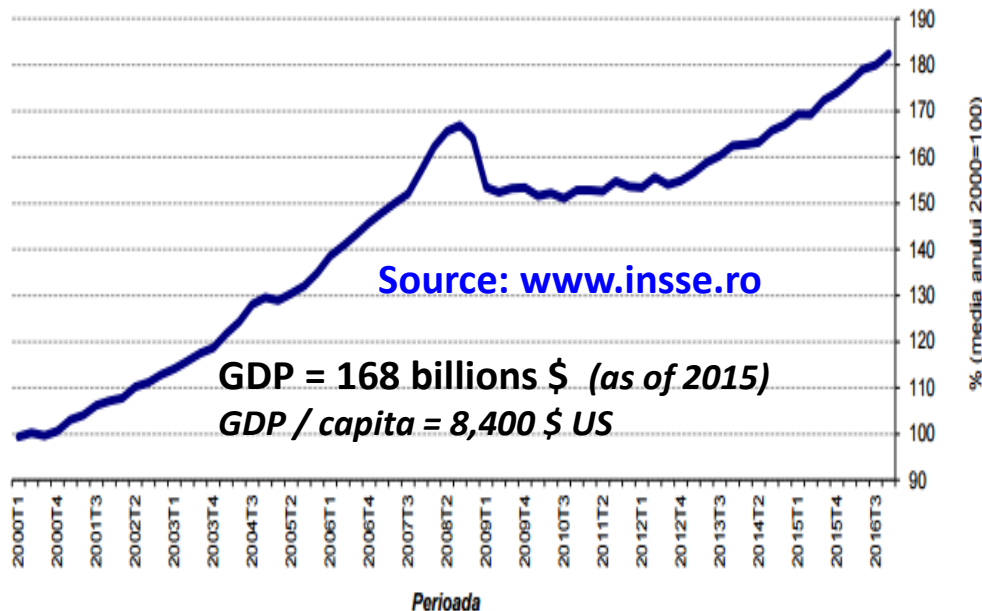
2015 - 377 TWh



**Gas** ~ 29%  
**Oil** ~ 26%  
**Renew** ~ 19%  
**Coal** ~ 17%  
**Uranium** ~ 9%

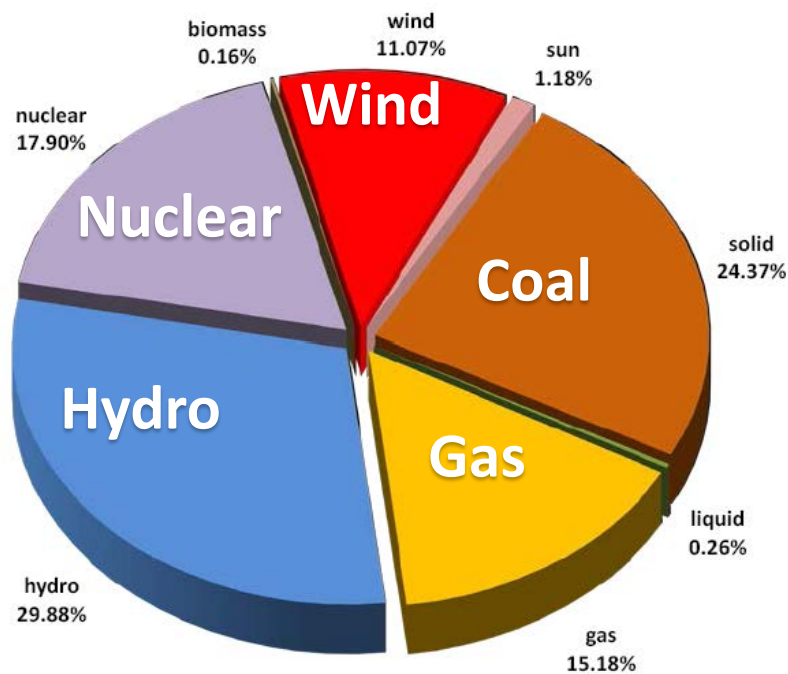
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**TOTAL** ~ 377 TWh

Source: [www.energie.gov.ro](http://www.energie.gov.ro)





# Romanian Electricity Generation (2016)



**Hydro** ~ 30%  
**Coal** ~ 25%  
**Nuclear** ~ 18%  
**Gas** ~ 15%  
**Wind** ~ 11%  
**Solar** ~ 1.2%

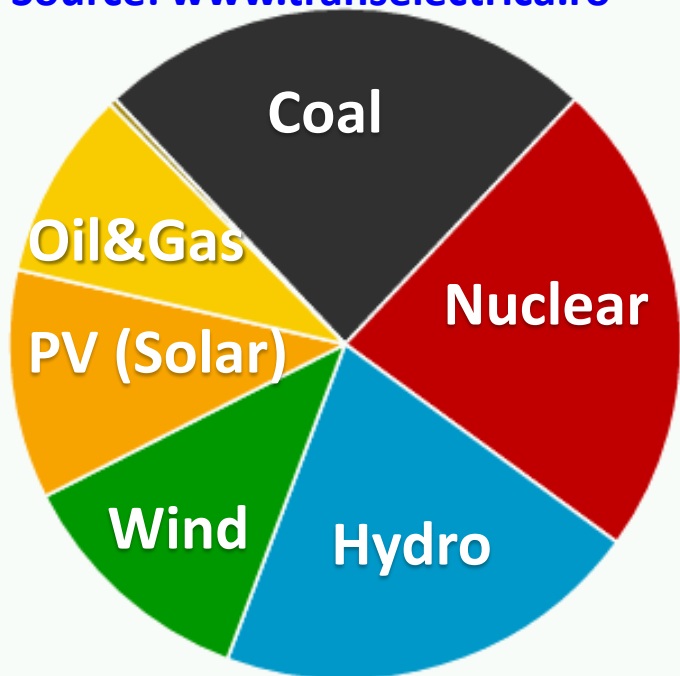
**Green Electricity ~ 60%**

Source: [www.insse.ro](http://www.insse.ro)

# Instantaneous Electricity Production

as by 2017, June, 4

Source: [www.transelectrica.ro](http://www.transelectrica.ro)



Green Electricity ~ 2/3

- 24.00% Cărbune - 1455 MW
- 23.03% Nuclear - 1396 MW
- 20.67% Hidro - 1253 MW
- 11.83% Eolian - 717 MW
- 11.04% Foto - 669 MW
- 9.11% Hidrocarburi - 552 MW
- 0.33% Biomasa - 20 MW

**Total: 6062 MW**

**Total 6062 MW - Productia in 04-06-2017 ora 13:58:06**

- Nuclear energy plays an important role in Romania
- Romanian Gov. Commitment to accomplish U3,4 in Cernavoda NPP & supporting ALFRED building in Romania

## Possible NDCs and those considered in Analysis

- Following the European Union's energy policies ([20/20/20 by 2020](#)), Romania has introduced renewable energy support mechanisms to stimulate the development of renewable energy (hydro, wind and solar);

### NDC considered in Analysis:

- introducing adv. Coal PP with low emissions (**0.4** ktonsCO<sub>2</sub>/Mwyr, 8 times less than an old one, **3.2** ktons/MWyr);
- **1,400** MW in Nuclear Power (other 2 CANDU Units in Cernavoda NPP by 2025);
- up to **1,000** MW new Hydro PP by 2020;
- Increasing share of renewables (wind, solar, hydro) ;
- decommissioning up to **3,000** MW in old coal PP by 2025.

## Basic Scenario Assumptions

- Modeling Period: **2012 (ref.)**, 2013-2050 year by year
- Oil Import Price = **100** \$/KWyr, cg 1.05%/yr
- No Uranium import;
- No CO2 emission Taxes;
- No Carbon **Capture & Storage Technologies (CCS)**;
- Simply model of Heat, produced only by 2 tech. (Oil & Gas) in generic Power Plant (no biomass burning by individuals considered),

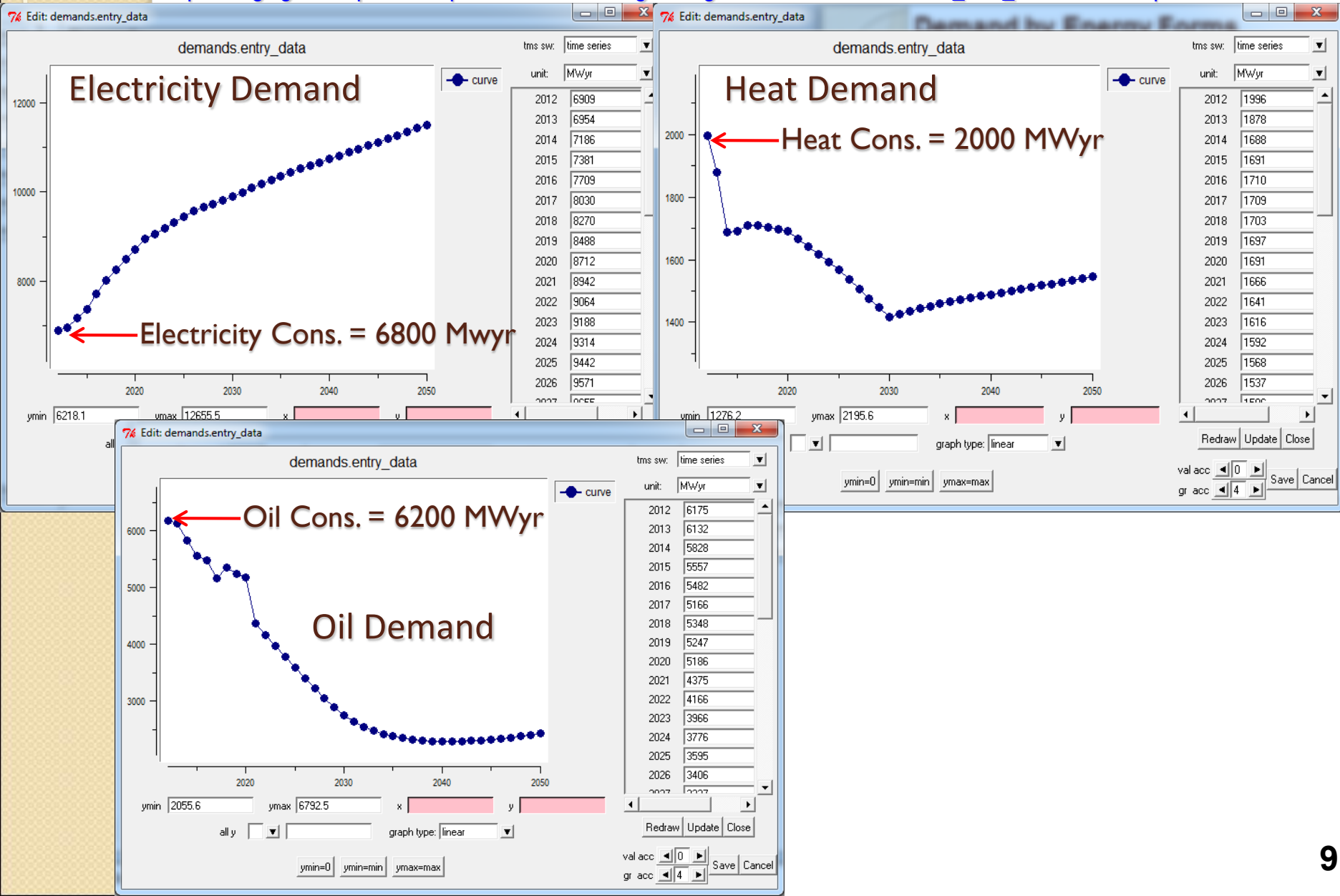
## NDC50, NDC70 and NDC90 Scenarios

- **50%, 70%, 90%** CO2 emission reducing till 2050, respectively (RO1NDC50, RO1NDC70, RO1NDC90) from **2012** levels
- 2012 CO2 emissions: **15,000** ktons

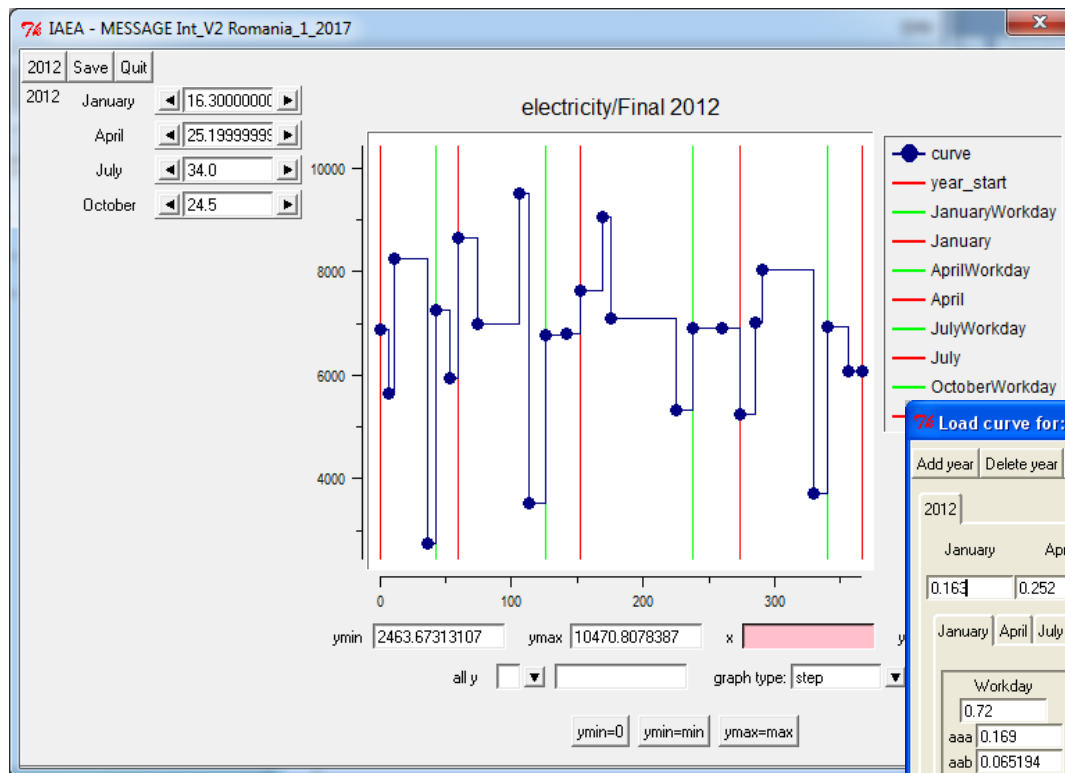


# Demand by Energy Forms (in MWyr)

Romanian Ministry of Energy, "Romanian Energy Strategy for 2016-2030, with perspectives for 2050", (in Romanian)  
[http://energie.gov.ro/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Strategia-Energetica-a-Romaniei-2016-2030\\_Final\\_19-decembrie-2.pdf](http://energie.gov.ro/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Strategia-Energetica-a-Romaniei-2016-2030_Final_19-decembrie-2.pdf)



# MESSAGE Model: Load Regions for Electricity



7.6 Load curve for: electricity/Final

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2012

January April July October capacity fac.  
 0.163 0.252 0.34 0.245 0.725817741

January April July October

Workday		SSH	
0.72		0.28	
aaa 0.169		aba 0.646397	
aab 0.065194		abb 0.353603	
aac 0.702555			
aad 0.063261			

4 seasons, 2 type of days, 4 parts of a day

# Energy Flow Chain in Romania MESSAGE Model

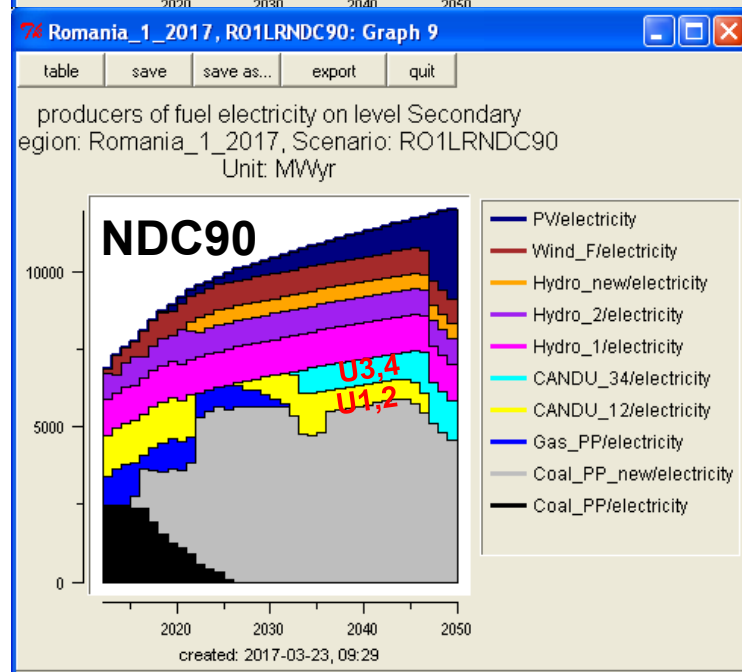
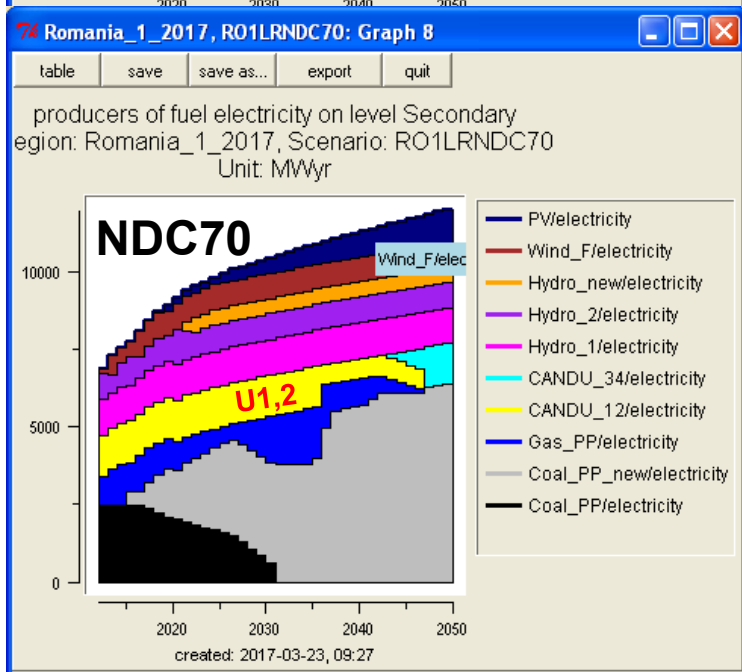
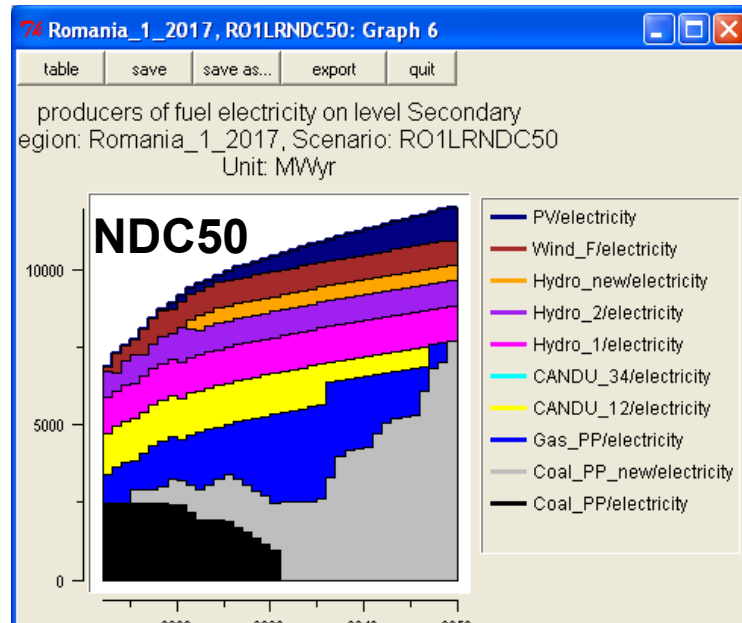
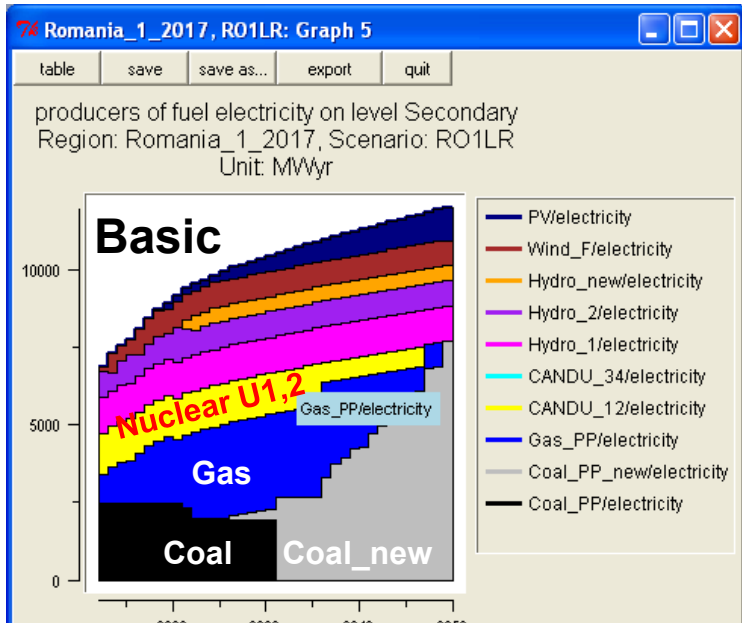
Level	Energyform	Producers	Consumers
<b>Resources</b>	<b>Coal</b>		<u>Coal Extr</u>
	<b>Gas</b>		<u>Gas extr</u>
	<b>Oil</b>		<u>Oil Extr</u>
	<b>Uranium</b>		<u>U conv</u>
<b>Primary</b>	<b>Coal</b>	<u>Coal Extr</u>	<u>Coal PP</u> <u>Coal PP new</u>
	<b>Gas</b>	<u>Gas extr</u>	<u>Gas PP</u> <u>Gas Heat</u>
	<b>Oil</b>	<u>Oil Extr</u> <u>Oil imp</u>	<u>Oil Heat</u> <u>Oil TD</u>
<b>Front-end</b>	<b>U_conv</b>	<u>U conv</u>	<u>U fuel</u>
	<b>U_fuel</b>	<u>U fuel</u>	<u>CANDU 12</u> <u>CANDU 34</u>
<b>Back-end</b>	<b>fromCore</b>		<u>Fr core12</u> <u>Fr core34</u>
	<b>dummy</b>	<u>Fr core12</u> <u>Fr core34</u>	
<b>Secondary</b>	<b>electricity</b>	<u>Coal PP</u>	<u>Ele TD</u>
		<u>Coal PP new</u>	
		<u>Gas PP</u>	
		<u>CANDU 12</u>	
		<u>CANDU 34</u>	
		<u>Hydro 1</u>	
		<u>Hydro 2</u>	
		<u>Hydro new</u>	
		<u>Wind F</u>	
	<u>PV</u>		
<b>heat</b>	<u>Oil Heat</u> <u>Gas Heat</u>	<u>Heat TD</u>	
<b>Final</b>	<b>electricity</b>	<u>Ele TD</u>	
		<u>ADD Ele</u>	
	<b>heat</b>	<u>Heat TD</u>	
		<u>ADD Heat</u>	
<b>oil</b>	<u>Oil TD</u>		

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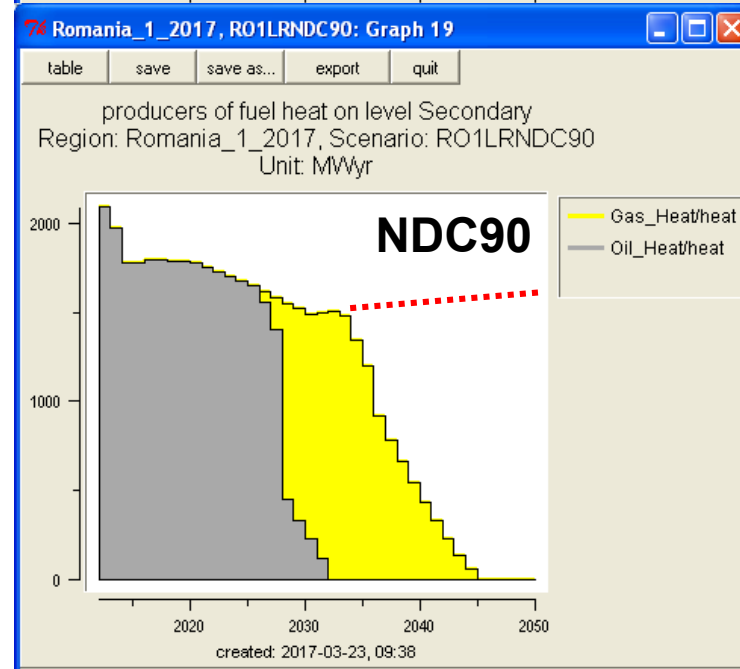
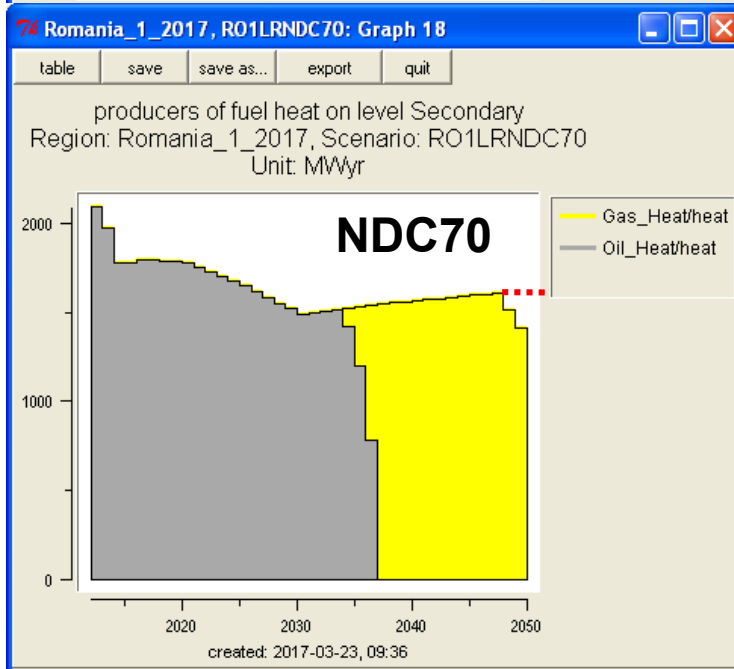
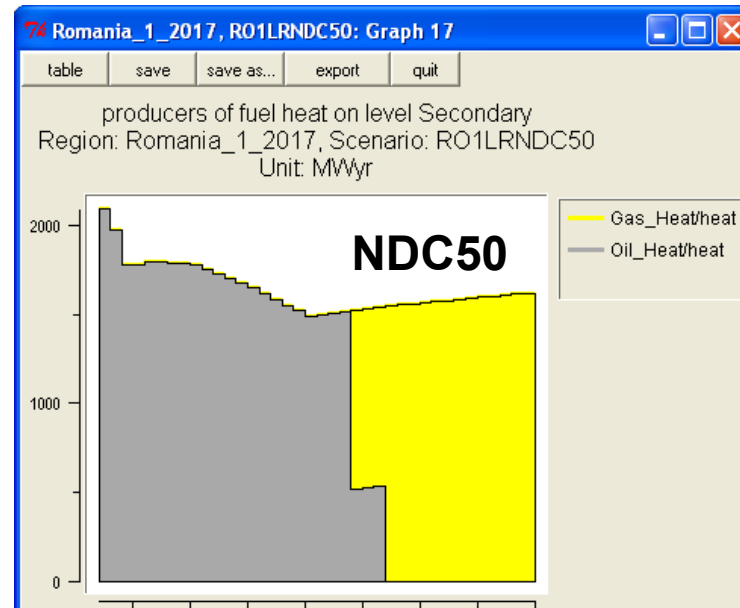
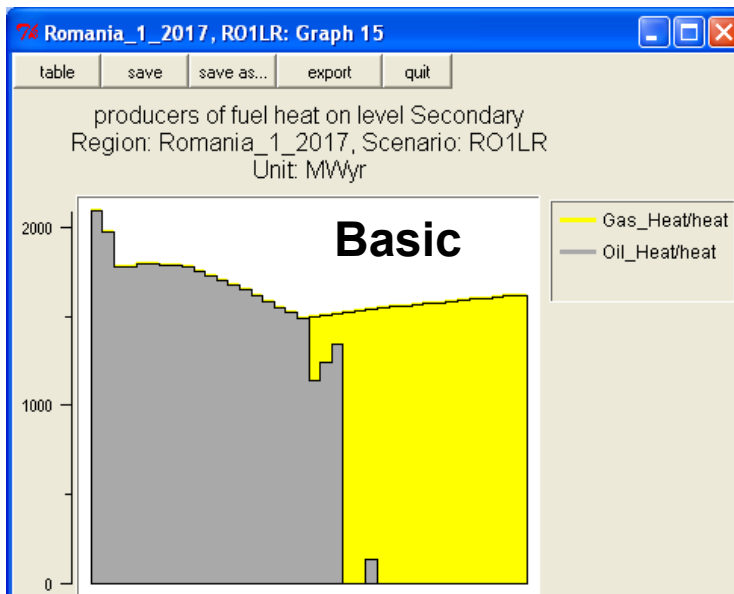
CO2 constraint in group 1 applied for all fossil fuel based tech.

# Electricity Production

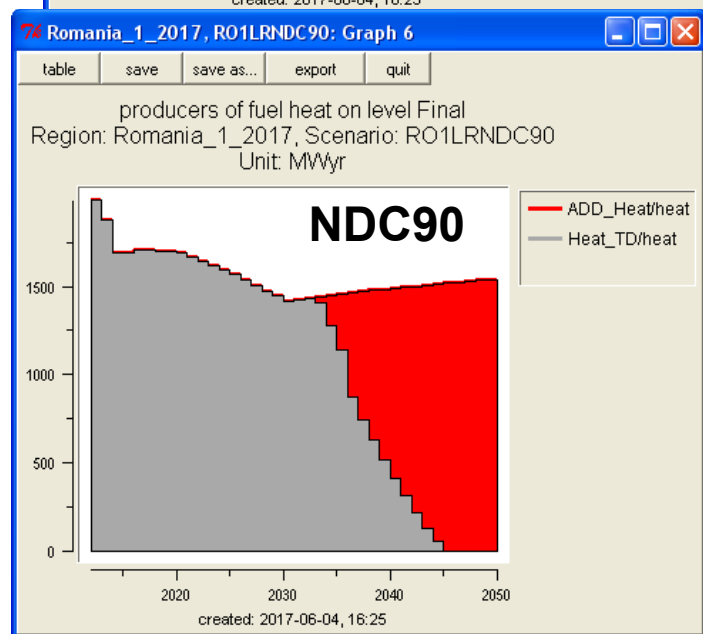
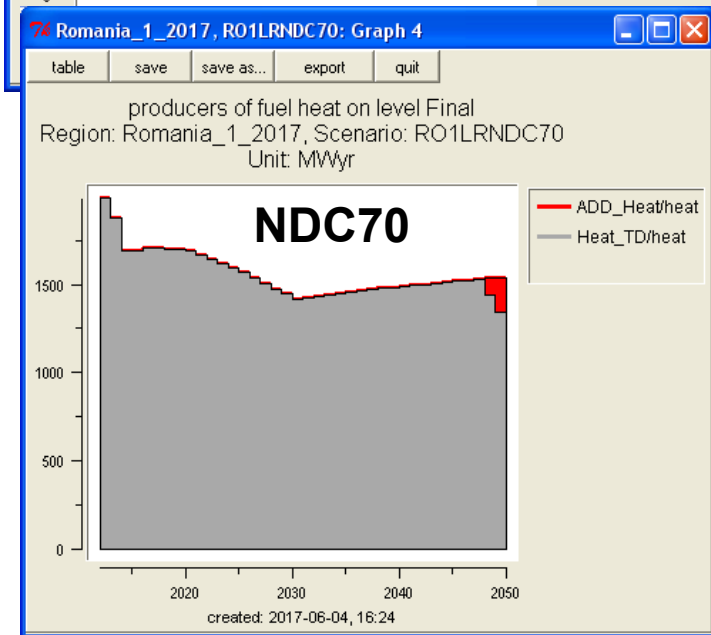
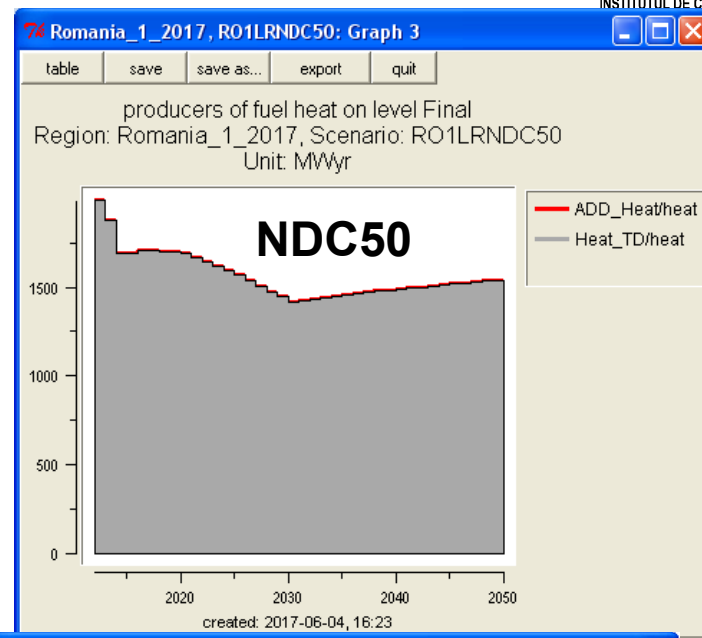
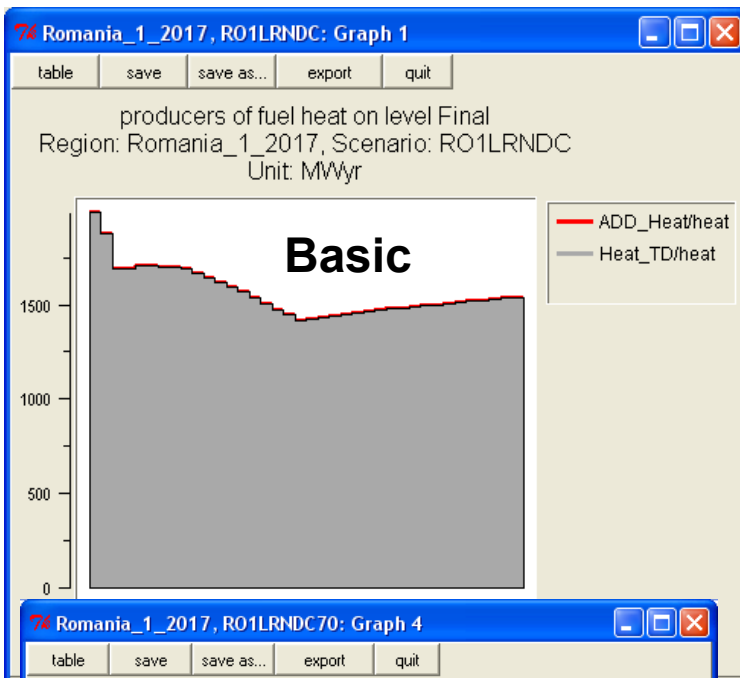




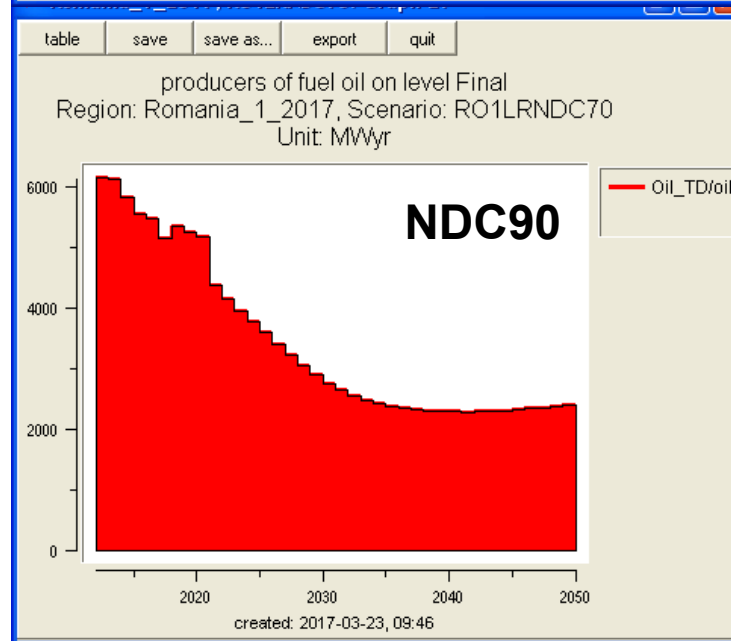
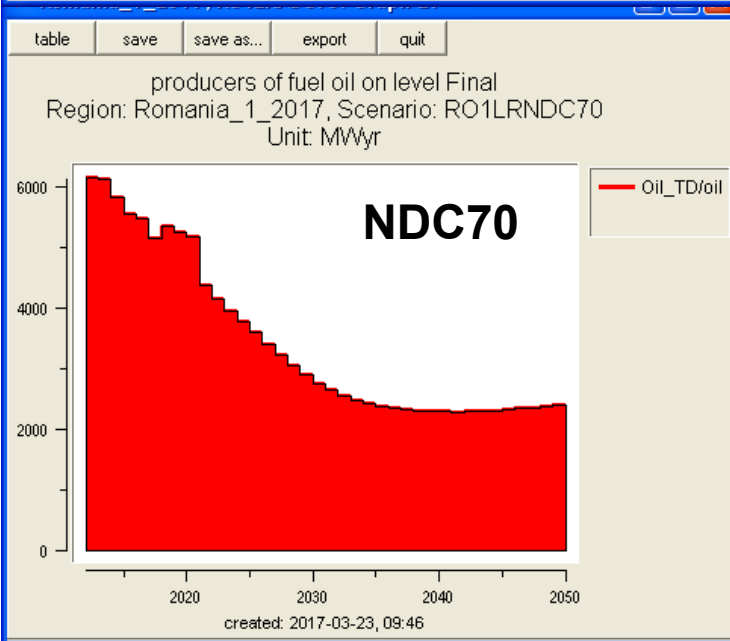
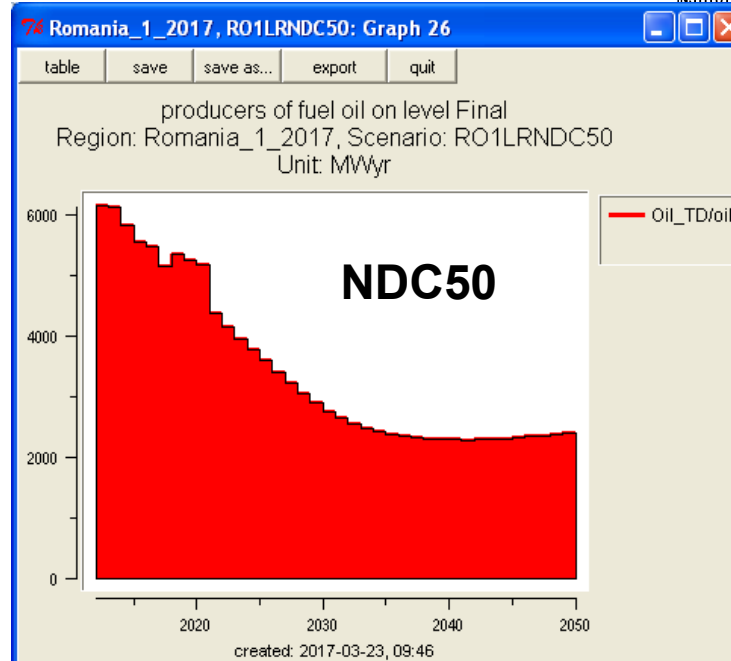
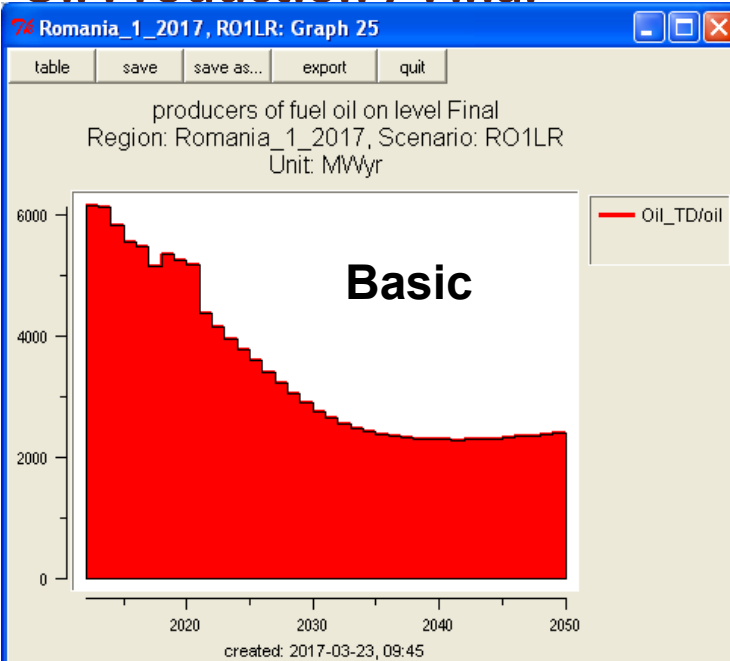
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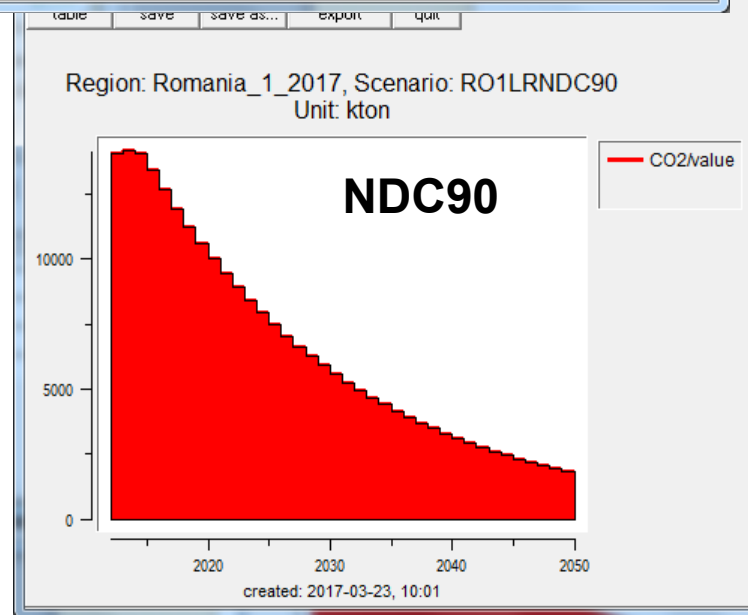
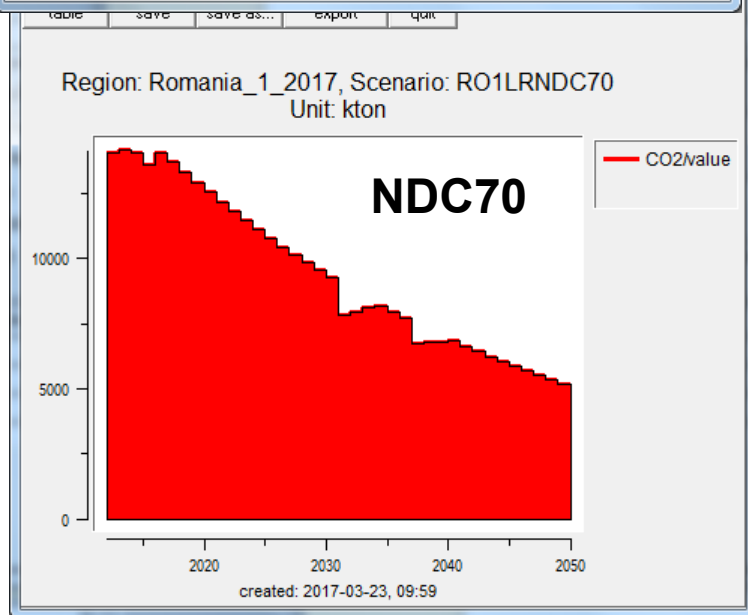
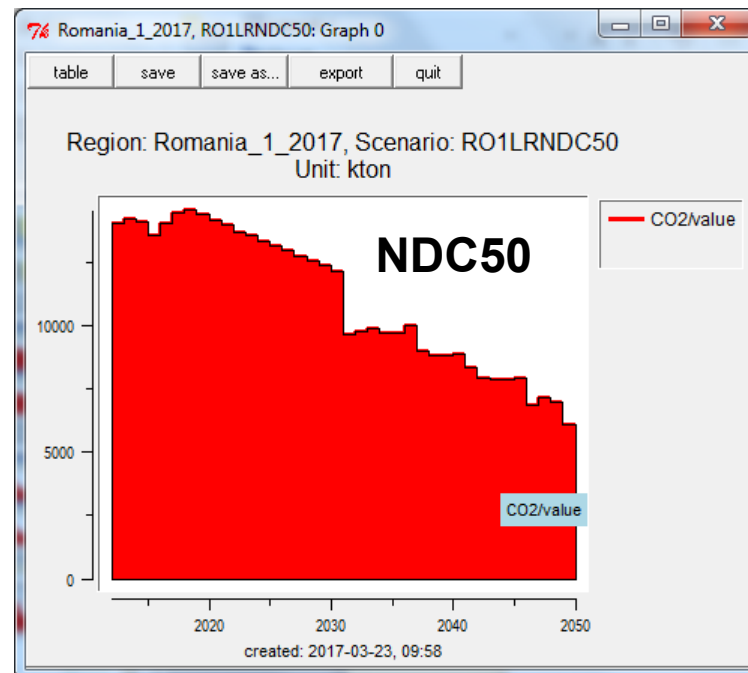
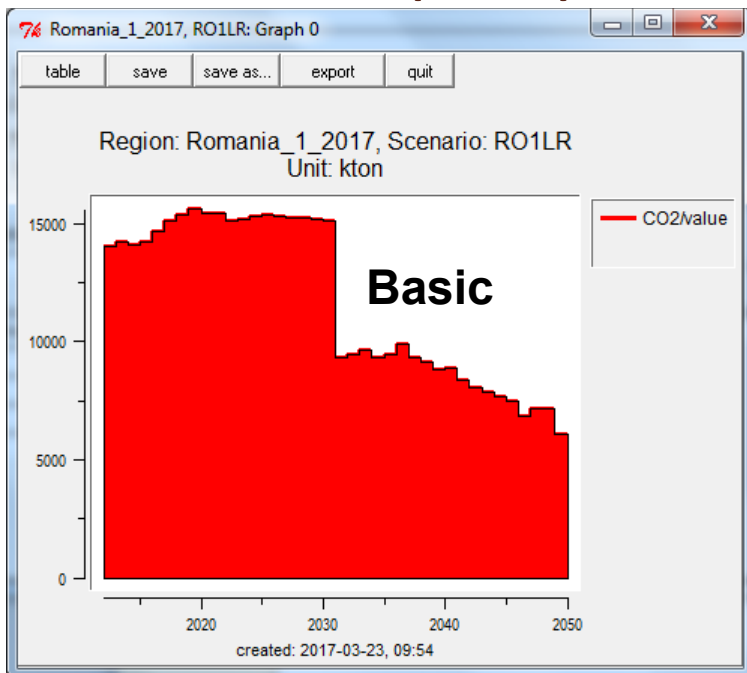
# Heat Production



# Oil Production / Final



# CO2 Emissions (ktons)





## CO2 Emissions (ktons)

Scenario	Basic	NDC50	NDC70	NDC90
Cumulative CO2 emissions (ktons)	459,312	437,578	362,033	248,181
CO2 emission avoiding relative to the Basic Scenario (ktons)	0	21,733	<b>97,278</b>	211,131

Maximum sustainable Romanian NDC < **100,000** ktons CO2

## Conclusions and Policy Recommendations

The present MESSAGE model for Romanian energy system fulfils the energy demand in the **Basic, NDC50** scenarios and almost in **NDC70**, this meaning that a **60-70%** reduction in CO2 emissions can be easily achieved in a sustainable manner.

Is not possible that Romania to achieve important NDCs to GHG mitigation without building new nuclear capacities as reliable electricity sources and replacing the old coal-fired technology by the latest hi-tech low emission solutions.

A sustainable Romanian NDC to CO2 emission avoiding can be up to **100,000 ktons**, this corresponding to a **70%** gradually reduction of CO2 emissions from 2012 levels, till 2050.

Focusing on the investment projects that ensure a "green" energy production, including the nuclear one and to raise awareness on how carbon capture & storage technologies can be used for climate change mitigation.



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