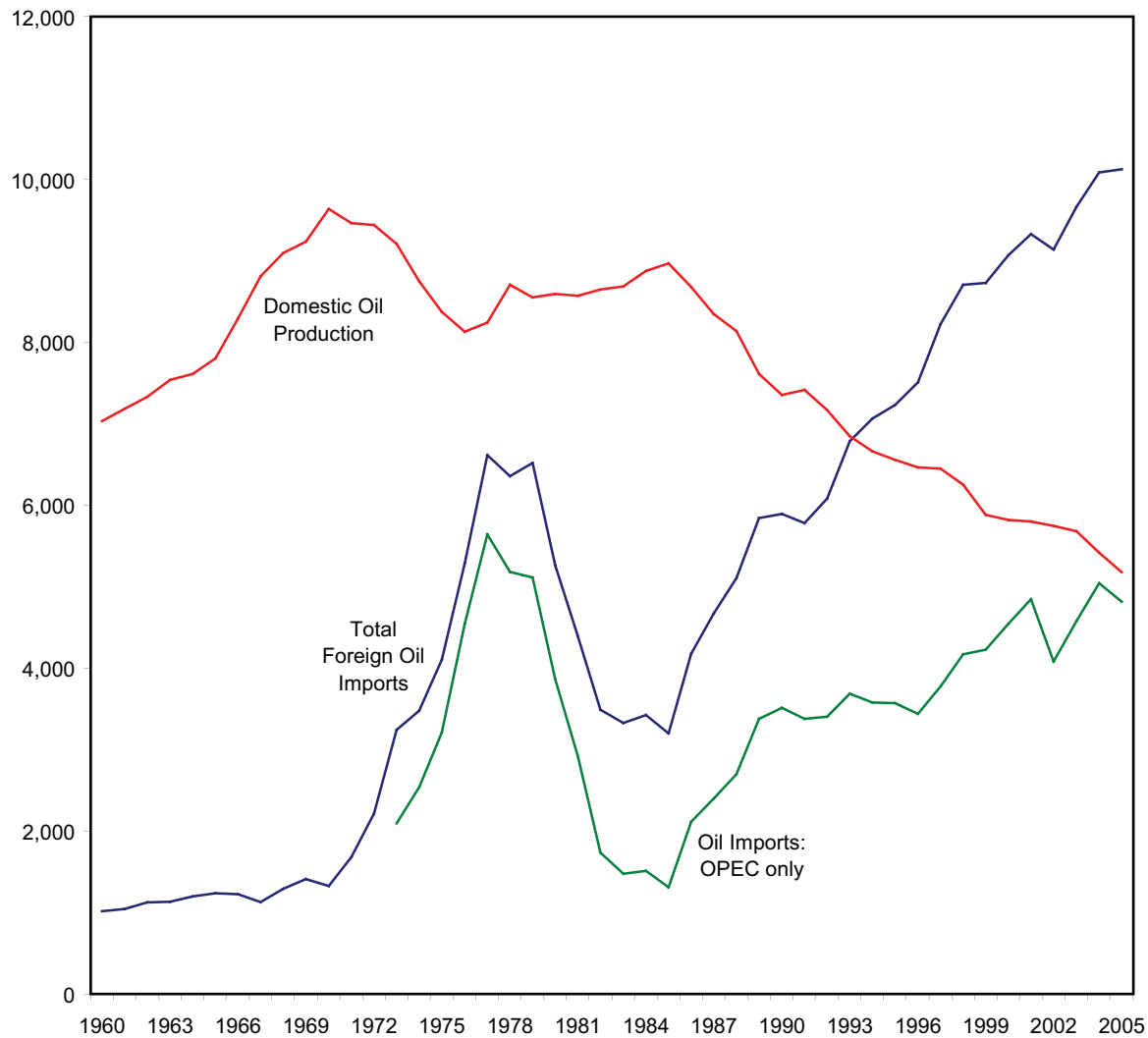


US Oil Production and Foreign Oil Imports

(thousand of barrels per day)



Source: Energy Information Administration

Federal limitations on domestic oil production have contributed to a steady decline in US production since 1985. By 1994, the United States was importing more than its total domestic production. Restricting supply raises prices and unnecessarily contributes to US reliance on foreign oil imports.