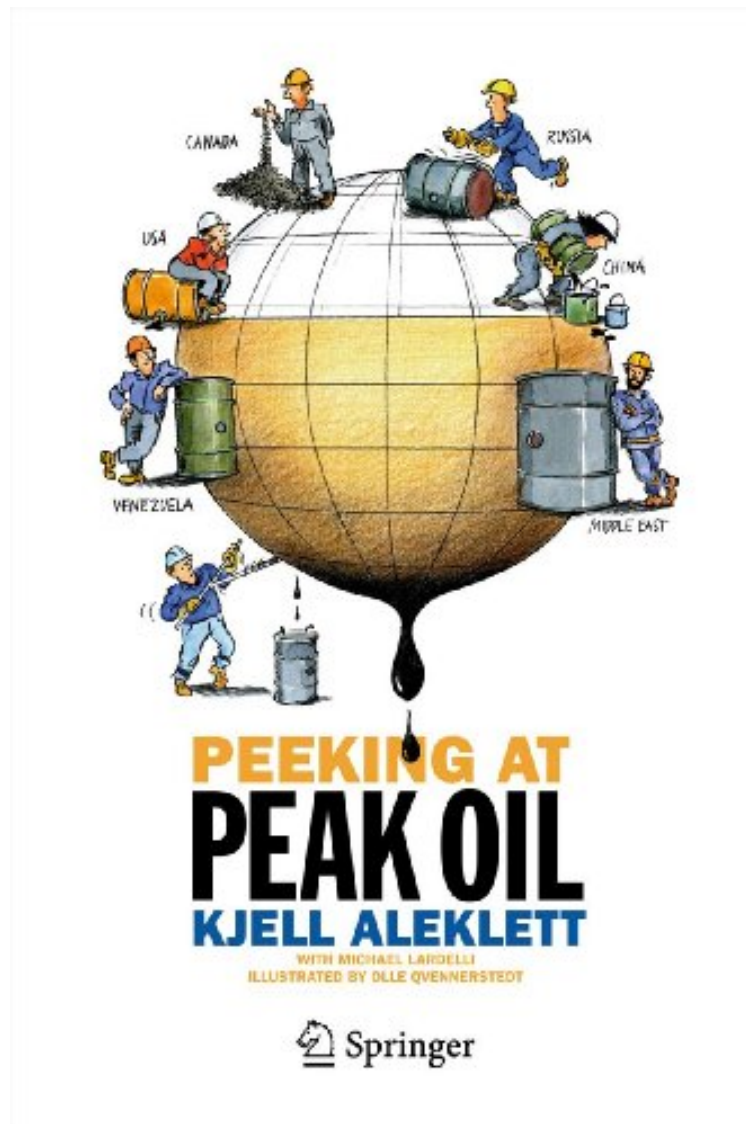


Peeking at Peak Oil

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Kjell Aleklett : Peeking at Peak Oil before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Peeking at Peak Oil:

5 of 6 people found the following review helpful. The most important book in the history of the world. Most people won't even come close to reading it. By Daniel Hood Sometime 2006/7 I remember having a profound feeling that things were off course but had very little understanding of the way civilization truly functioned as a whole system. I ignored it, caught up in the "infinite growth game". I was paid good money in the financial sector and it would always be that way. 2008 was the very first of the "Peak Oil" warning shots across the bow of civilization. Not only have most

people ignored it, the powers that be have systematically attempted to deceive, pretend and extend whilst all the time disrespecting the universal laws of nature. It's beyond comprehension and both Kjell and Colin were on to it long ago. Our leaders are delusional if not outright psychotic. We can't lay the blame squarely at their feet however, for are they not just a reflection of society as a whole? It's safe to say most people simply will not accept the truth and mass delusion as we know can quickly turn into mass psychosis, a more sinister illness. As for the book, all I can say is this; Kjell Aleklett and Colin Campbell have to go down as two exceptionally brave men. They really are inspiring leaders. They have dared to speak the truth. I for one will make attempts to change my life and do the best I can to live more sustainably. We are part of this planet not separate from it. What we do to the planet we do to ourselves. 7 billion souls and rising mortgaged off the back of cheap oil and now it's time to pay. The level of scientific detail and analysis is astounding. The painstaking research undertaken is exemplary as is the explanation of complex connected energy systems delivered in simple form. So much so that most if not all other global institutions, have tuned into the scientifically detailed "peer reviewed" work undertaken by these scientists. The IEA, the EIA, WTO, OECD, CIA, Pentagon, MUST, MI5/6 and a list of other alphabet soup of global agencies. I'm grateful to science for giving us logic, reason and rationality. I am now forewarned and therefore forearmed and this is empowering. Giving me power therefore gives me optimism and frees me from delusions of grandeur. The exact effect these two men wish to have on the world. Once you start reading, you will not stop. You won't have to wait for decades to see whether these men are speaking the truth, try months. The greatest powerdown in history could only be a matter of months away. As much as I'd like to believe we have an abundant amount of energy to power us through for centuries I suspect it's simply not the case and the case presented is compelling. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Very well written. By Greatman This book provides an excellent summary of the issues surrounding oil production and, more importantly the prospects for future production and subsequent decline. Having read much of the published literature on oil depletion prior to this book's publication, I can attest this book certainly provides a good starting point for those interested in future production trends. Whilst no modelling can precisely predict what the future holds, it is now clear that this issue will impact all but the very eldest of us living today. 6 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Peak oil. By Tom Wilson This is far and away the best summary of the global oil situation I've seen in 3 years of researching. Written from a European academic perspective, the author and his students have an astounding degree of experience, independence, and access. The delightful, often whimsical artwork is remarkably effective in conveying serious concepts. In our family, I found they bridge a gap to the non-analytical members. The authors' conclusions are radically different from what the public is hearing out of the IEA, EIA and most recently, the US National Intelligence Council. For those of us in the United States and the OECD, his conclusion is that oil available for import could drop 42% between 2010 and 2020 - or worse. The supporting background data in the book is exhaustive. This is an excellent book. It ranks #82,888 on 's book list, 82,887 places behind 'The Legend of Zelda, Hyrule Historia'. Uh-oh.

The term "Peak Oil" was born in January 2001 when Colin Campbell formed the Association for the Study of Peak Oil Gas (ASPO). Now, Peak Oil is used thousands of times a day by journalists, politicians, industry leaders, economists, scientists and countless others around the globe. Peak Oil is not the end of oil but it tells us the end is in sight. Anyone interested in food production, economic growth, climate change or global security needs to understand this new reality. In *Peeking at Peak Oil* Professor Kjell Aleklett, President of ASPO International and head of the world's leading research group on Peak Oil, describes the decade-long journey of Peak Oil from extremist fringe theory to today's accepted fact: Global oil production is entering terminal decline. He explains everything you need to know about Peak Oil and its world-changing consequences from an insider's perspective. In simple steps, Kjell tells us how oil is formed, discovered and produced. He uses science to reveal the errors and deceit of national and international oil authorities, companies and governments; too terrified to admit the truth. He describes his personal involvement in the intrigues of the past decade. What happens when a handful of giant oil fields containing two thirds of our planet's oil become depleted? Will major oil consumers such as the EU and US face rationing within a decade? Will oil producing nations conserve their own oil when they realize that no one can export oil to them in the future? Does Peak Oil mean Peak Economic Growth? If you want to know the real story about energy today and what the future has in store, then you need to be "Peeking at Peak Oil".

From the reviews: "In his book, *Peeking at Peak Oil* physicist Kjell Aleklett explores the science and consequences behind the sobering reality that the world's oil production is entering terminal decline with no satisfactory alternatives. ... Using simple language and engaging illustrations, Aleklett's *Peeking at Peak Oil* leaves readers with a clear and comprehensive understanding of the emerging issue of our time." (Sustainable Guernsey, June, 2012) "It is refreshing to find a comprehensive, peak oil analysis that relies on rigorous scientific methods and empirical data rather than resorting to anecdotes, doomsday prophecies and red herrings; this book should be required reading for anyone seriously interested in the future world energy market and economy, especially politicians and policymakers. Aleklett's analysis is meticulous, his results are convincing, and the implications are sobering. The book also contains a wealth of information and can serve as a

basic primer on global oil industryhellip;. This book has enough to interest both novices and oil industry veterans.rdquo; (Roger H. Bezdek, World Oil, April 2012)ldquo;In the book, Peeking at Peak Oil, that is released today in Uppsala, Aleklett summarises very thoroughly his ten years of work studying and trying to view the entirety of our oil-supply situationhellip;. In the booksquo;s rich collection of tables and figures Aleklett shows how companies, nations and even international energy organisations such as the OECD-based IEA have ndash; intentionally or otherwise - made erroneous assessments.rdquo; (Kersti Kollberg, Energy Bulletin, 11 June 2012, <http://energybulletin.net/stories/2012-06-12/oil-and-future-thorough-work>) ldquo;The book factually shows that although fossil fuel consumption in industrial countries has somewhat leveled off, the demand for it in the rest of the world, China and India in particular, is rapidly rising. hellip; the author discusses growing concerns within the governments of exporting and importing countries as well as giant oil companies. hellip; A must read for those interested in energy and its future. Summing Up: Highly recommended. All levels/libraries.rdquo; (J. Tavakoli, Choice, Vol. 50 (6), February, 2013)From the Back CoverThe term ldquo;Peak Oilrdquo; was born in January 2001 when Colin Campbell formed the Association for the Study of Peak Oil Gas (ASPO). Now, Peak Oil is used thousands of times a nbsp;day by journalists, politicians, industry leaders, economists, scientists and countless others around the globe. Peak Oil is not the end of oil but it tells us the end is in sight. Anyone interested in food production, economic growth, climate change or global security needs to understand this new reality.In Peeking at Peak Oil Professor Kjell Aleklett, President of ASPO International and head of the worldrsquo;s leading research group on Peak Oil, describes the decade-long journey of Peak Oil from extremist fringe theory to todayrsquo;s accepted fact: Global oil production is entering terminal decline. He explains everything you need to know about Peak Oil and its world-changing consequences from an insidersquo;s perspective. 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Seaborg at the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory of the University of California, Berkeley, USA. His collaboration with Seaborg spanned twenty years. He was appointed as an associate professor at Uppsala University in 1986 and promoted to full professor in 2000. His interest in the worldrsquo;s energy supply began in 1994 when he acted as energy advisor to the Deputy Prime Minister of Sweden. He subsequently changed his field of research from nuclear physics to the depletion of oil, gas and coal and its global consequences in 2002. He organised together with Colin Campbell the First International Workshop on Oil Depletion in May 2002 at Uppsala University. It was in connection with this workshop that ASPO, the Association for the Study of Peak Oil Gas, was established. Since 2003 he has been president of ASPO International (official website: www.peakoil.netwww.peakoil.net). In 2005 the Prime Minister of Sweden, Gouml;ran Persson, became aware of Peak Oil and the research of UGES. He decided to appoint an Oil Commission for which Kjell Aleklett gave the introductory seminar. In that year Kjell Aleklett was also asked to give testimony on Peak Oil before for the US House of Representatives Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality. In 2007 he was asked by the OECD to write a report on ldquo;Peak-Oil and the Evolving Strategies of Oil Importing and Exporting Countries: Facing the Hard Truth about an Important Decline for the OECD Countries.rdquo; In 2009 he testified on Peak Oil for the Australian Senate Standing Committees on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport. Kjell Aleklett frequently lectures and gives interviews on Peak Oil at community, national and international events. His hosts have included international transport and oil corporations, governments and security agencies.nbsp;nbsp;nbsp;nbsp;Olle QvennerstedtOlle Qvennerstedt was educated as an illustrator and graphic artist at Berghs Reklamskola in Stockholm from 1961 to 1964. Since then he has been active as an illustrator for, among others, Swedensquo;s foremost broadsheet newspaper Dagens Nyheter and numerous advertising agencies. Between 1977 and 1981 Olle also worked in animated film. In 1981 he took the step into freelance work with anbsp; broad spectrum of commissions and since the early 1990s he has been active as an independent artist. He has now presented over 70 exhibitions of painting, drawing and graphic art both in Sweden and internationally. In the mid-1990s Olle began producing evocative and light-hearted illustrations for Kjell Aleklettrsquo;s lectures, and was the obvious choice to illustrate nbsp;nbsp;nbsp;nbsp;Peeking at Peak Oil. Michael LardelliMichael Lardelli received his doctorate in developmental genetics from the Council for National Academic

Awards of the UK in 1991. He then worked in Sweden as a postdoctoral fellow and assistant professor before returning to Australia in 1997. He currently teaches genetics and investigates the molecular mechanisms underlying Alzheimer's disease at the University of Adelaide. He has been engaged in spreading awareness about Peak Oil and other resource issues since 2004 and has translated Kjell Aleklett's blog, Aleklett's Energy Mix, into English since 2008. To provide a more nuanced text, Prof. Aleklett wrote the first drafts of Peeking at Peak Oil in his mother tongue of Swedish for subsequent translation by Michael.