

From health harms to climate change: The Truth About Methane

Communities living closest to oil and gas sites are disproportionately harmed by the impacts oil and gas has on air quality and climate change.

These communities are often lower income and/or communities of color that have long experienced disadvantages such as systemic racism, so the impacts of oil and gas pollution often makes existing inequities and health conditions worse.

Dangerous pollutants called volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are released alongside methane and carry immediate health harms – some are known carcinogens.



Oil and gas production leads to both immediate health harms and long-term climate challenges.



Methane, also known as natural gas, is a highly potent greenhouse gas, over 80 times more warming than carbon.



Higher temperatures lead to more air pollution, frequent and intense weather events, increases in mental health challenges and much more.