

# US ETHANOL PRODUCERS – REDUCING CARBON INTENSITY

Conference on Decarbonization of U.S. Bioethanol Production

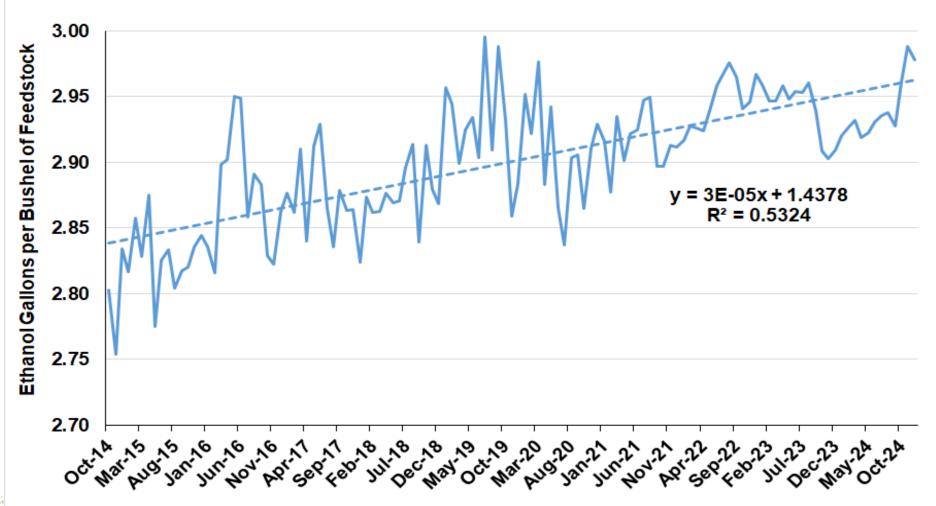
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Figure 1. Monthly Conversion Rate for Fuel Ethanol Production per Bushel of Corn and Sorghum Feedstock at U.S. Dry Mill Ethanol Plants, October 2014 - December 2024



Source: EIA and USDA

Month/Year

farmdocDAILY









Oil extraction (2005–2010):
~5–8 gCO2e/MJ reduction

 Dryer optimization & heat recovery (2005–present): ~3–5 gCO2e/MJ







- Advanced enzymes & yeasts (2010–2015):
  ~3–6 gCO2e/MJ
- CHP & renewable electricity adoption (2010–present): ~5–15 gCO2e/MJ



• Fiber separation / High-protein feed (2015–2020):

~5-10 gCO2e/MJ







 Carbon capture readiness / early adoption (2020–present):

~ 20-30+ gCO2e/MJ





### EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION OF ETHANOL

- Ethanol as Bunker Fuel
- Regional supply alignment reduces long-distance transport
- West Coast supplied mostly by western ethanol plants
- East Coast supplied mostly by eastern producers
- Marketers trade gallons to avoid cross-shipping
- Example: IL → PA and KS → CA swap instead of reversing shipments



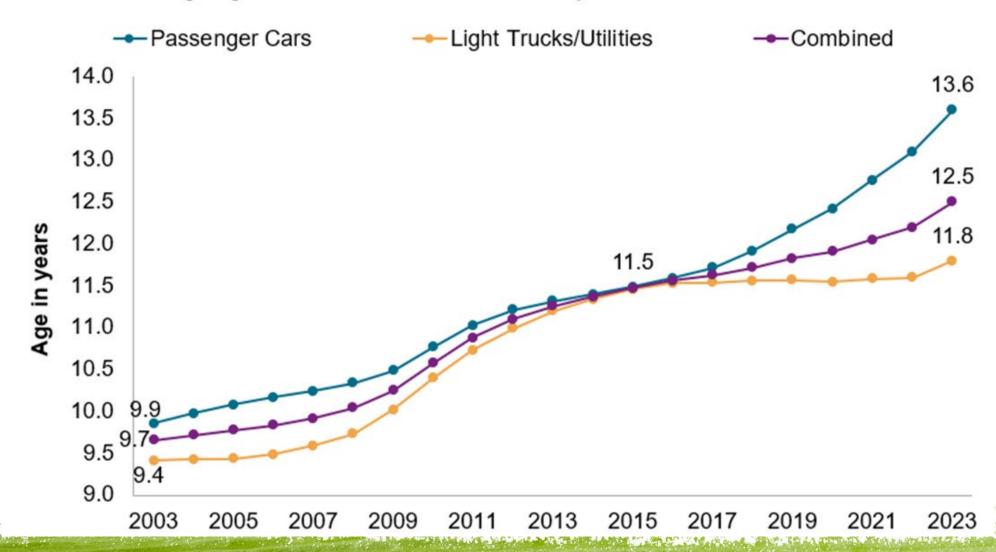
# E10 HISTORY SHOWS EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLE SAFETY

- E10 has been used in the US, E21-E29 in Brazil since the 1980s
- Over 95% of U.S. gasoline today is E10
- No statistically significant increase in vehicle failures
- No measurable increase in service station equipment damage, no unusual or more rapid wear
- Concerns over corrosion, fuel system wear, and elastomer degradation have proven unfounded



#### Average age by vehicle type

Combined average age rises for the sixth consecutive year



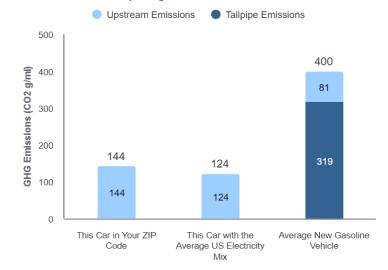


### WHY E10 HAS NOT CAUSED DAMAGE

- Modern vehicles designed for E10 since the 1980s
- EPA has certified E10 as compatible with all vehicles since 1979
- Service station equipment approved for E10 for decades
  - TESTED with E15 UL Listing is for equipment "up to 15% alcohol"
- Two trillion gallons of ethanol blended gasoline sold and more than fifty trillion miles driven on E10+ in the US since 2000 confirm safety of ethanol blends

# 2019 Tesla Model 3 Long X Range AWD Electric Vehicle

#### **Comparing Total GHG Emissions\***



**144** g/mi

This Car's
Total Emissions
in your ZIP
Code (Tailpipe +
Upstream)

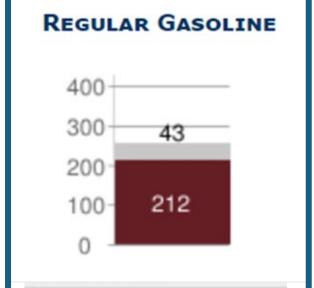
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**400** g/mi

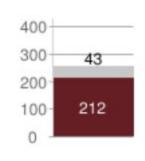




# 2019 Ford Fusion Hybrid X FWD Hybrid Vehicle Gasoline









#### 2019 Tesla Model 3 Long X Range AWD



**144** g/mi

This Car's
Total Emissions
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Code (Tailpipe +
Upstream)

**124** g/mi

This Car's
Total Emissions
with the
Average US
Electricity Mix

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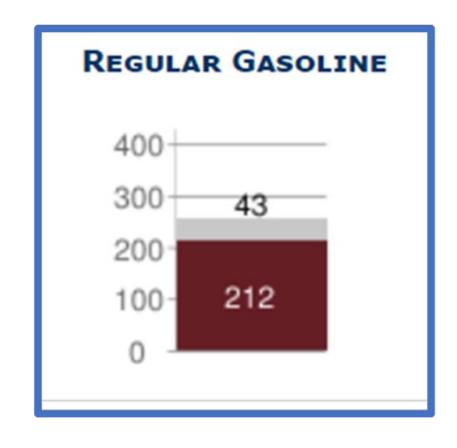
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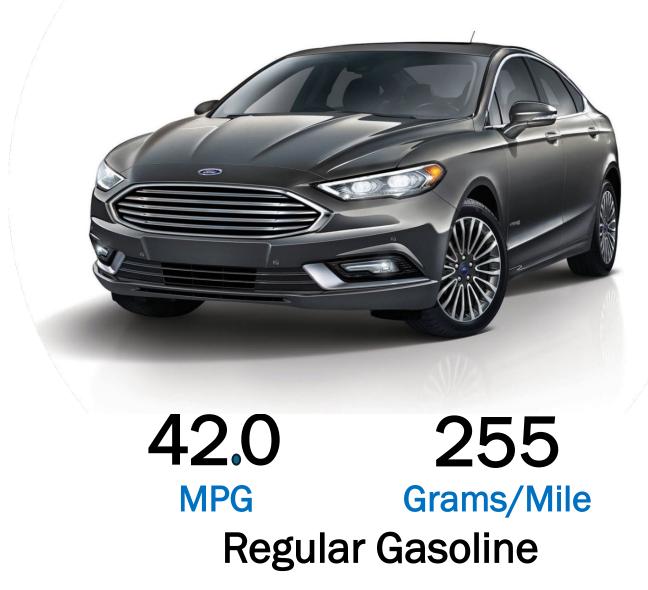
This Car's Total Emissions with the Average US Electricity Mix 400 g/mi

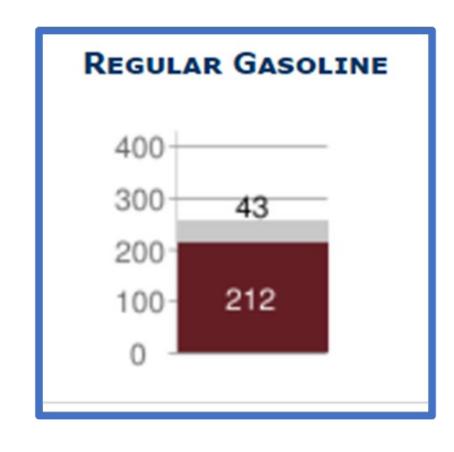
Average New Gasoline Vehicle's Total Emissions



ethanol.









2019 TESLA MODEL 3 LONG RANGE - 310 Mile/charge

144 g/mi

This Car's
Total Emissions
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Code (Tailpipe +
Upstream)

**124** g/mi

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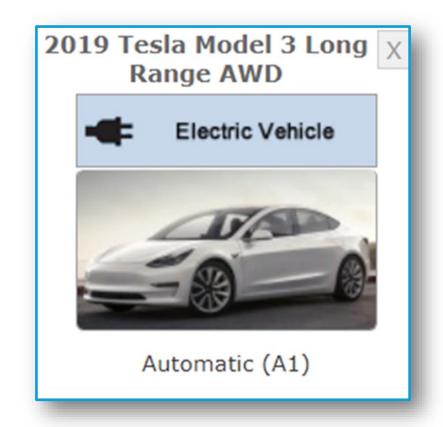
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**MPG** 

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Grams/Mile

E85 - Flex Fuel





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Range/Miles

Grams/Mile

**Battery Electric Vehicle (BEV)** 

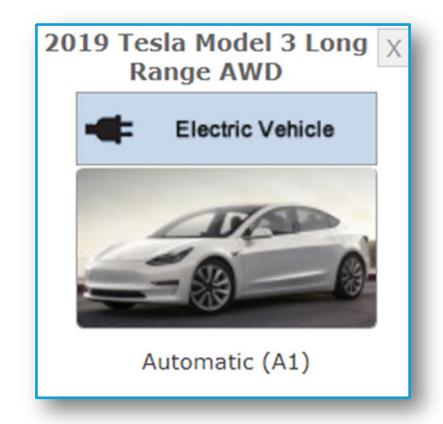
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**MPG** 

**Grams/Mile** 

E72 - Flex Fuel





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Range/Miles Grams/Mile Car & Driver 40K MI Road Test

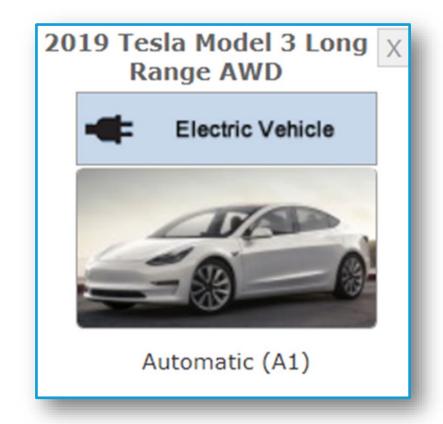
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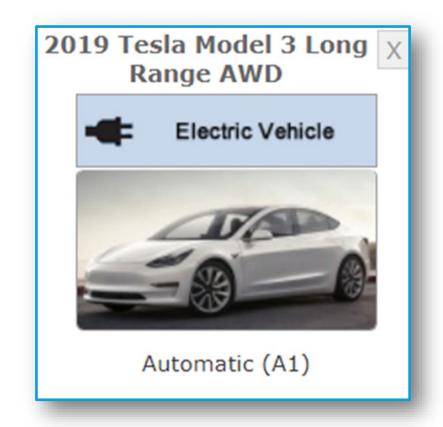
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**MPG** 

Grams/Mile

E85 w/Low CI Ethanol



## Policy Benefits for Ethanol (45Z and More)

- 45Z tax credit rewards low-carbon ethanol starting 2025
- Encourages CI reduction investments: CCS, renewables, efficiency
- Improves U.S. competitiveness in global low-carbon fuel markets
- Supports lower-cost ethanol vs gasoline domestically and abroad
- Positions ethanol as a key climate solution in aviation and ground fuels



## **SD RCPP Acres by Practice Type**

#### **Total of 27,640 Acres Under Contract**

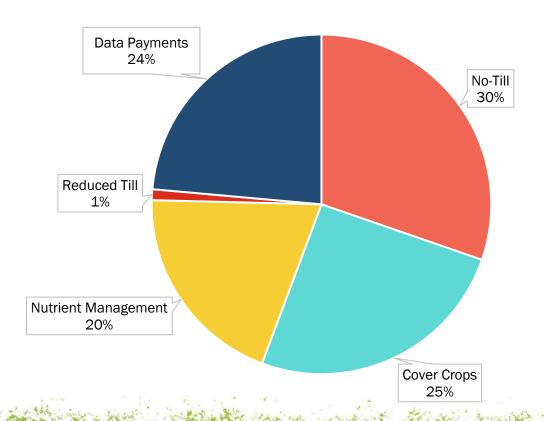
No-till: 8,375 acres

Cover Crops: 7,018 acres

Nutrient Management: 5,446 acres

Reduced Till: 284 acres

Data Payments: 6,517 acres

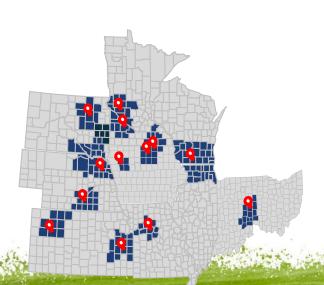


## 10-State RCPP Designed to Improve Existing Soil Models



Used for Clean Fuel Markets and 45Z

- Crop type, precipitation, soil type and temperature impact lowcarbon feedstock practice GHG benefits
- ACE partnership with USDA and DoE designed to decrease perceived risks of "over-valuing" GHG benefits inherent in 40B, State LCFS, and voluntary carbon markets



- 45Z extension in Reconciliation legislation
- Could be worth hundreds of millions if farm level practices are included
- RCPP project designed to facilitate access

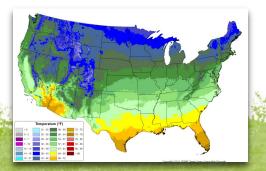




Precipitation



Temperature





## SD RCPP Results Validate Project Value to More Accurate Carbon Credits

RCPP project field level reports show improved soil health and productivity after conservation practice adoption

RCPP project
ensemble
modeling improves
accuracy by 50%

