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<p>Shot of mission control and space shuttle launch. Overhead shot of the Pentagon. Scientist testing soil in a greenhouse.</p> <p>NASA, Dept. of Defense, 97% of Scientists Agree on Climate Change <i>NASA, accessed 7/14/16; Washington Post, accessed 10/13/14</i></p>	<p>NASA. The Department of Defense. And Ninety Seven Percent of scientists agree – climate change is real.</p>	<p>NASA: 97 Percent Of Scientists Agree That “Climate-Warming Trends Over The Past Century Are Very Likely Due To Human Activities.” According to NASA, “Multiple studies published in peer-reviewed scientific journals show that 97 percent or more of actively publishing climate scientists agree: Climate-warming trends over the past century are very likely due to human activities. In addition, most of the leading scientific organizations worldwide have issued public statements endorsing this position.” [NASA Global Climate Change, Vital Signs of the Planet]</p> <p>Pentagon: Climate Change Is A Threat To National Security; U.S. Must “Grapple Now With The Implications Of A Warming Planet,” Free Of “Politics Or Ideology.” In October the Defense Dept. released a report on the impact of climate change which said that “drastic weather, rising seas and changing storm patterns could become ‘threat multipliers’ for the United States, vastly complicating security challenges faced by American forces ... The report, described as a ‘climate change adaptation roadmap,’ included a foreword from Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel in which he urged the nation’s military’s planners to grapple now with the implications of a warming planet, even as scientists are ‘converging toward consensus on future climate projections.’ ‘Politics or ideology must not get in the way of sound planning,’ Hagel said. ‘Our armed forces must prepare for a future with a wide spectrum of possible threats, weighing risks and probabilities to ensure that we will continue to keep our country secure.’” [Washington Post, 10/13/14]</p>
<p>B-Roll of a corporate building. Door to Sen. Ron Johnson’s Senate office.</p> <p>Ron Johnson at Milwaukee Journal Sentinel meeting.</p> <p>Senator Ron Johnson Climate Change Science Denier “I absolutely do not believe that the science of man-caused climate change is proven.”</p>	<p>So where can you find climate change science deniers?</p> <p>At oil companies. And Senator Ron Johnson’s office.</p> <p>Senator Ron Johnson [video]: “I absolutely do not believe that the science of man-caused climate change is proven.”</p>	<p>Oil Industry Publicly Denied The Science Behind Climate Change. In April 2016, The Guardian reported, “The oil industry’s knowledge of dangerous climate change stretches back to the 1960s, with unearthed documents showing that it was warned of “serious worldwide environmental changes” more than 45 years ago. The Stanford Research Institute presented a report to the American Petroleum Institute (API) in 1968 that warned the release of carbon dioxide from burning fossil fuels could carry an array of harmful consequences for the planet. The emergence of this stark advice follows a series of revelations that the fossil fuel industry was aware of climate change for decades, only to publicly deny its scientific basis.” [The Guardian, 4/13/16]</p> <p>Sen. Johnson: “I Absolutely Do Not Believe In The Science Of Man-Caused Climate Change.” In a 2010 interview with the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Sen. Johnson stated, “I absolutely do</p>



<p>Source: <i>Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel</i>, 8/19/10</p>		<p>not believe in the science of man-caused climate change ... It's not proven by any stretch of the imagination. It's far more likely that it's sunspot activity or just something in the geologic eons of time where we have changes in the climate." [Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, 8/19/10]</p>
<p>Meeting of two individuals in a hallway, silhouettes.</p> <p>Oil Companies Gave Johnson Over \$300,000 in Contributions <i>Open Secrets</i>, accessed 6/16/16</p>	<p>Oil companies gave Johnson over three hundred thousand in contributions.</p>	<p>Over His Career In Congress, Sen. Johnson Has Received \$490,128 From Polluters, Including Nearly \$350,000 From Oil & Gas. Over the course of his career, Sen. Johnson has received \$343,350 from the oil and gas sector, \$70,828 from the mining sector, and \$75,950 from the electric utilities sector. [Open Secrets, accessed 6/16/16]</p>
<p>Ron Johnson speaking on the Senate floor.</p> <p>Senator Johnson for Big Oil</p> <p>B-Roll of kids playing soccer on a field, camera tilts up to factory spewing pollution in the background.</p>	<p>Johnson supports their agenda.</p> <p>We pay the price.</p>	<p>Johnson Defended Oil Subsidies, Said Many Deductions Are Legitimate Business Expense Deductions. According to Associated Press, "As Democrats in the U.S. Senate took aim at ending subsidies for oil companies, Wisconsin Sen. Ron Johnson said Friday there might be legitimate reasons to keep the subsidies in place. Johnson, a freshman Republican, told reporters that some tax items that people call subsidies are really just timing differences of when a company could deduct a legitimate business expense. Other subsidies, he added, might have been designed to encourage forms of exploration that could increase the oil supply and ultimately bring down prices. 'I don't want to do something that's counterproductive,' Johnson said in Milwaukee. 'To just paint a broad brush and call something oil subsidies and do away with it, it's just not an intelligent way of going about finding a solution.'" [Associated Press, 4/29/11]</p> <p>On Oil Subsidies, Johnson Said "I Want A Fair And Equal Tax System... But We Do Not Want To Increase The Cost Of Exploration." According to Oshkosh Northwestern, "Johnson also addressed one of the big issues on many Americans' minds right now: \$4-per-gallon gas and the \$4 billion in subsidies the oil industry receives each year. Johnson called the subsidies 'special tax deals' and said he would support ending subsidies if it coincides with a reduction in the federal tax rate. At the same time, he said the subsidies need to be reviewed carefully to ensure those that encourage domestic oil exploration remain in place. 'I want a fair and equal tax system,' Johnson said. 'But we do not want to increase the cost of exploration. I don't want to go in (and cut the budget) with an ax. I want to go in and find ways to make effective reforms.'" [Oshkosh Northwestern, 4/30/11]</p> <p>Johnson Said Eliminating Oil Subsidies Would Cause A Decrease</p>



		<p>In Oil Production, Said “Silly Me, I Like To Have Oil Flowing... So I Can Fill Up My Tank In My Car.” According to Oshkosh Northwestern, “Like many Republican - and Democratic - lawmakers, Johnson believes the tax code needs to be updated and simplified by eliminating loopholes that allow some corporations and wealthy individuals to pay a lower tax rate than the middle class. However, he said he would stop short of ending some subsidies, like those for oil companies. Without those incentives, fewer companies will be interested in digging wells, which would have a residual effect on the economy, he said. ‘Silly me, I like to have oil flowing so that we can produce gasoline so I can fill up my tank in my car,’ he said. ‘If we eliminated that tax treatment, what would happen? I would argue you’re not going to get as much oil exploration. You won’t have as much oil. You’ll have less supplies and just as much demand so prices will spike. You’ll harm our economy, harm economic growth.’” [Oshkosh Northwestern, 8/24/11]</p> <p>Before Entering The U.S. Senate Race, Johnson Praised Big Oil Companies, Saying Their Success Helps Create Cheaper Energy And Enriches American Stockholders. According to The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, “The BP oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico was still an accident waiting to happen when Ron Johnson rose to address a political rally last fall, months before he formally entered the U.S. Senate race as a Republican. [...] In his speech, Johnson spoke in defense of oil industry profits and against candidates who criticize the big oil companies. He said the industry’s success fuels further exploration - and its stock helps fund the retirement accounts of millions of Americans.” [Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, 9/5/10]</p> <p>Johnson: “I Want Oil Companies To Make Enough Money To Continue To Explore, Drill, Refine And Deliver Gas To Virtually Every Corner Of America. According to Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, “‘How many times have you heard a politician attack Big Oil and Big Pharma as if these were some kind of evil enterprises preying on our society?’ Johnson said at the rally. ‘Why do they do this? Well, I guess it sounds good to some people, and might help them get elected in some districts. But I can guarantee you, it does nothing to help our country. ‘I don’t know about you, but I want businesses to succeed. I want oil companies to make enough money to continue to explore, drill, refine and deliver gas to virtually every corner of America. ‘Almost everyone’s 401 (k) or retirement fund owns stock in these companies. And I hope everyone realizes that both the state and federal governments make more per gallon in gas taxes than the oil companies make themselves for doing all the work.’” [Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, 9/5/10]</p>
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