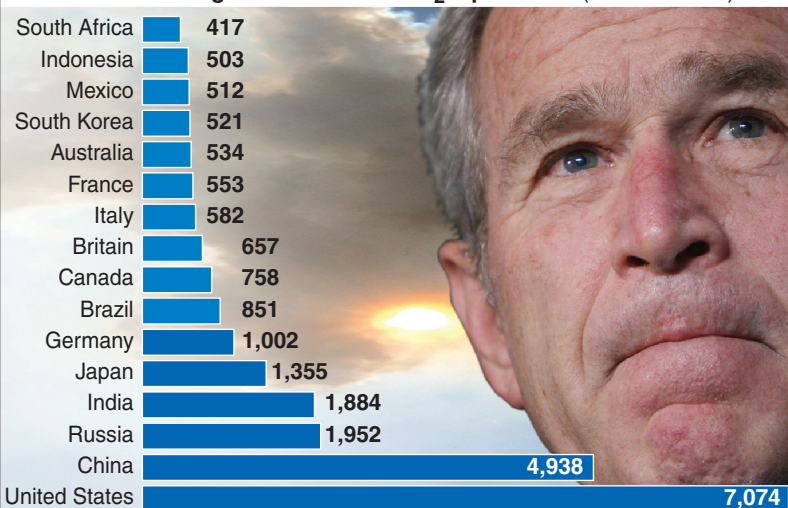


Bush hosts world's worst CO₂ emitters

Greenhouse gas emissions in CO₂ equivalents (million tonnes)



President Bush's policy shifts on global warming

■ **2000:** During presidential campaign **George W. Bush** opposes **Kyoto Protocol** on global warming

■ **2001:** Now President, Bush claims Kyoto damages U.S. economic interests and questions whether global warming is caused by man-made pollution

■ **2002:** Distances himself from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency report linking human activity to global warming

■ **2004:** Bush reiterates opposition to Kyoto Protocol during campaign for second term. Calls for use of technology to fight effects of climate change

■ **2005:** For first time Bush accepts that **"increase in greenhouse gases caused by humans is contributing to the problem"** of global warming

■ **Jan 2007:** Bush says new technology and biofuels can combat global warming

■ **Jun:** Agrees to consider European plan to cut worldwide emissions by 50 percent by 2050

■ **Sep 27-28:** Bush administration convenes meeting with 15 other major emitters of greenhouse gases to discuss ways to limit emissions after Kyoto Protocol expires in 2012