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From: Patrick Holness  
Date: July 29, 2016  
Subject: ASSESSMENT II

Attached is Assessment II: Graphs and Related Information.

Thank you.

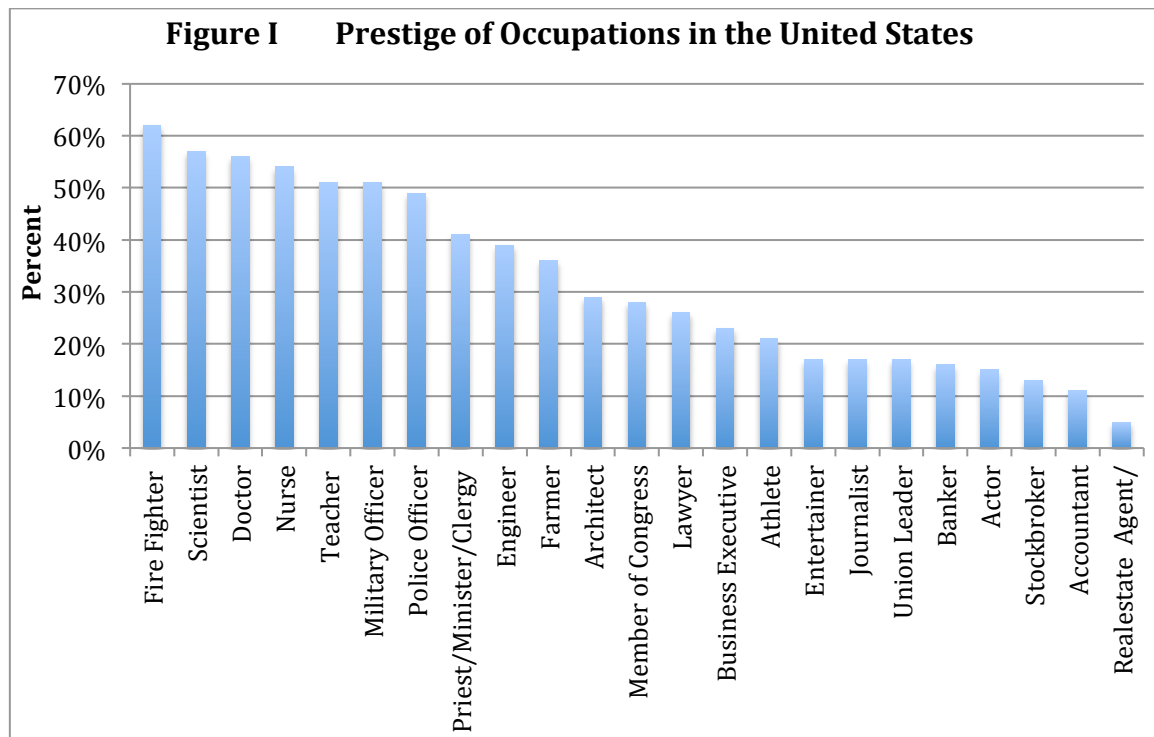
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Subject: Prestige of Occupations in the United States

For the second consecutive year, the occupation of firefighter remains at the top of the list as being the most prestigious occupation for 2009. (See figure I)



(Source: Harris Poll, July 7-14, 2009)

Approximately 1000 people were polled and asked to rank 23 occupations in the United States. Interestingly, enough teachers made the top five after being number two in 2008. With the recent development of a new cancer drug, this may explain the rise in scientist taking the second place spot. Occupations such doctor, nurse, military officer, and police officer were in the top seven spots around the 50% marker for being a prestigious job. Real-estate agent/broker was a less favorable occupation at 5% coming in last.

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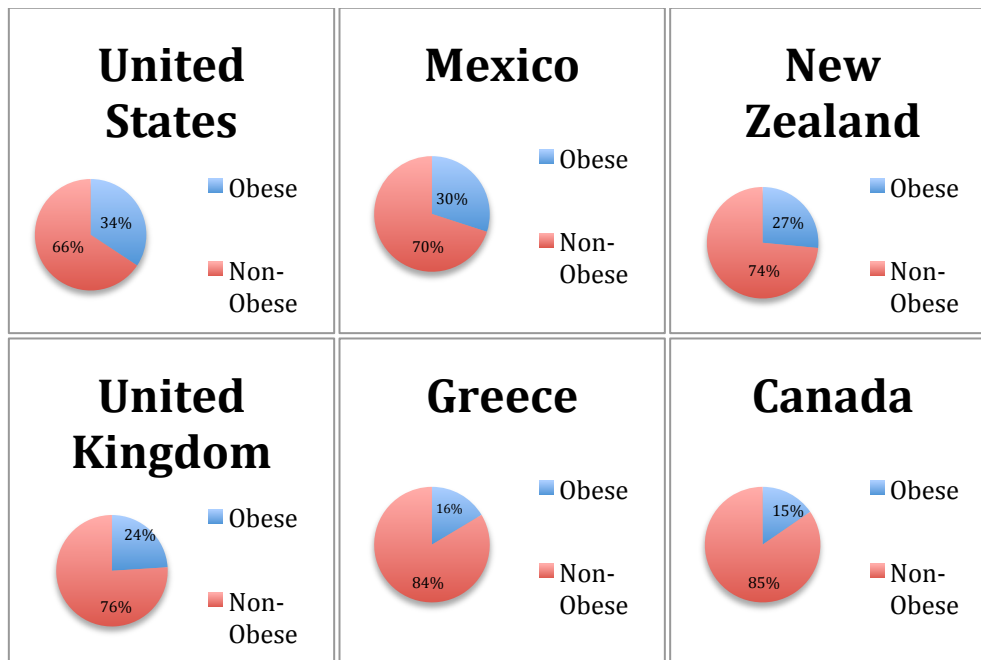
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Subject: Percentage of Adults considered Obese in Select Countries

The United States continues to lead other nations in being overweight.

**Figure 2**

**Obesity in Select Countries**

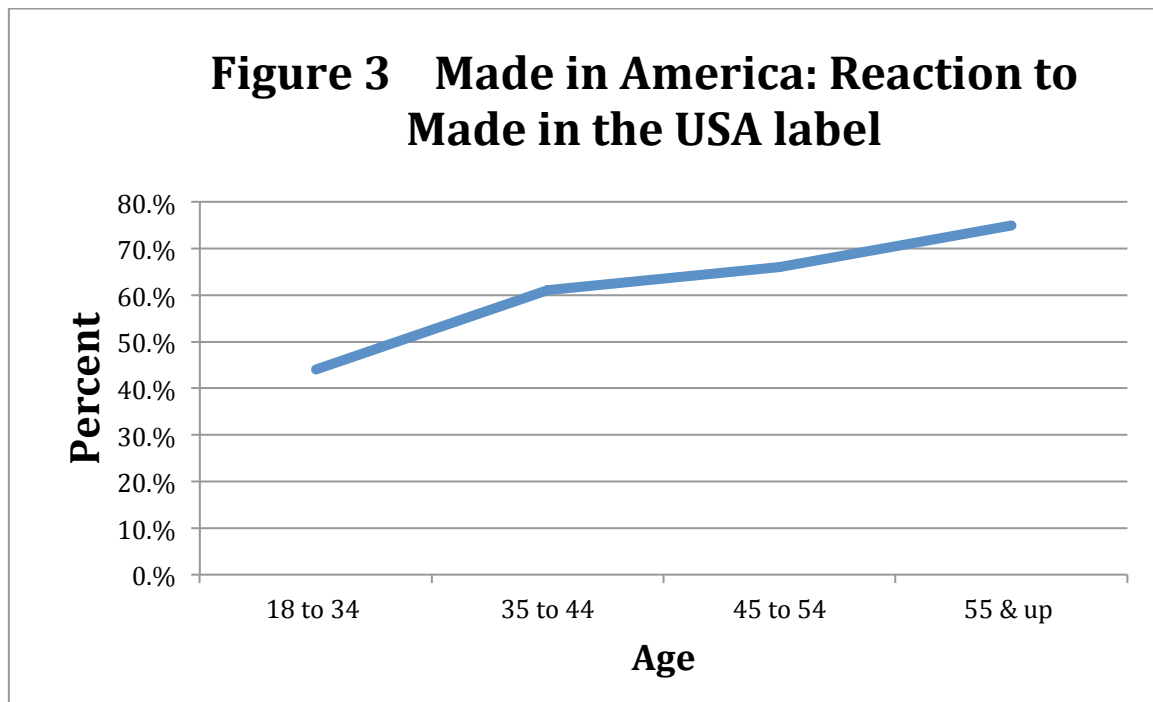


(Source: Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2008, p. 832)

34% of the United States is classified as being overweight. This report comes on the heels of the President's State of the Union Address. During his address, he spoke about the health risk associated with being overweight. Out of the six countries covered in this report our neighbors to the north of the U.S., Canada has a 15% obesity rate. This is the lowest of the six countries polled. Conversely, our neighbors to the south, Mexico yield slightly lower but similar statistics to that of the United States with a 30% obesity rate. US leaders will have to develop a plan to address this growing health concern.

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Participants 55 and older are more likely to purchase Made in America products than younger adults. (See figure 3)



(Source: Harris Poll, July 27-29, 2010)

According to a most recent survey of participants age 18 to 55 & up, 55 & up participants are more likely to purchase products that display the Made in America phrase. This information is very useful for marketing and analysis purposes. What is alarming about the data is at the opposite end of the spectrum are 18 to 34-year-olds who are less likely to purchase the same goods. Researchers point to the fact that 55 & up group are part of the baby boom post-war generation. A further study must be conducted to understand this trend.

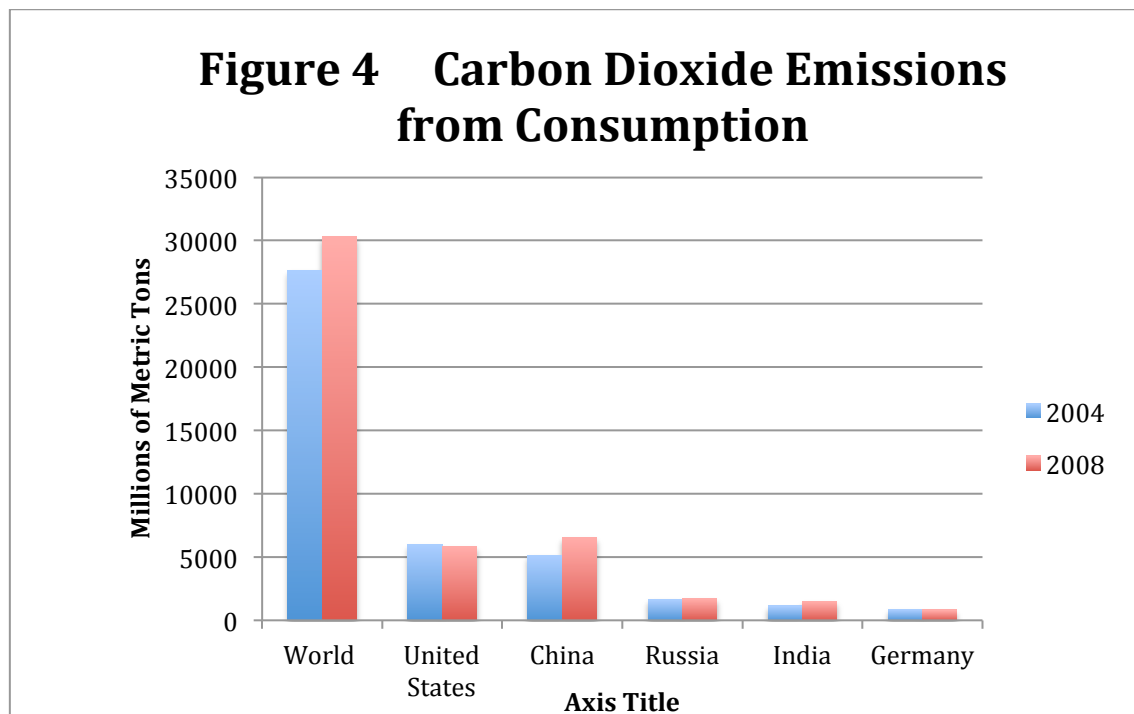
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China leads the world in the emission of carbon dioxide from fossil fuels. (See figure 4)



(Source: Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2011, p. 868)

With a population over 1 billion and growing China's emissions of carbon dioxide continues to raise the brows of global environmentalist. With the United States trailing behind, the federal government is developing a plan to combat the issue. The US has managed to reduce emissions from 2004 to 2008. Although this is a positive trend, the Federal Government wants to do more. US environmentalist will be studying countries like India who have a population over 1 billion to determine the factors that help to keep their carbon footprint low compared to US and China. Germany leads the world with the lowest emissions of fossil fuels.

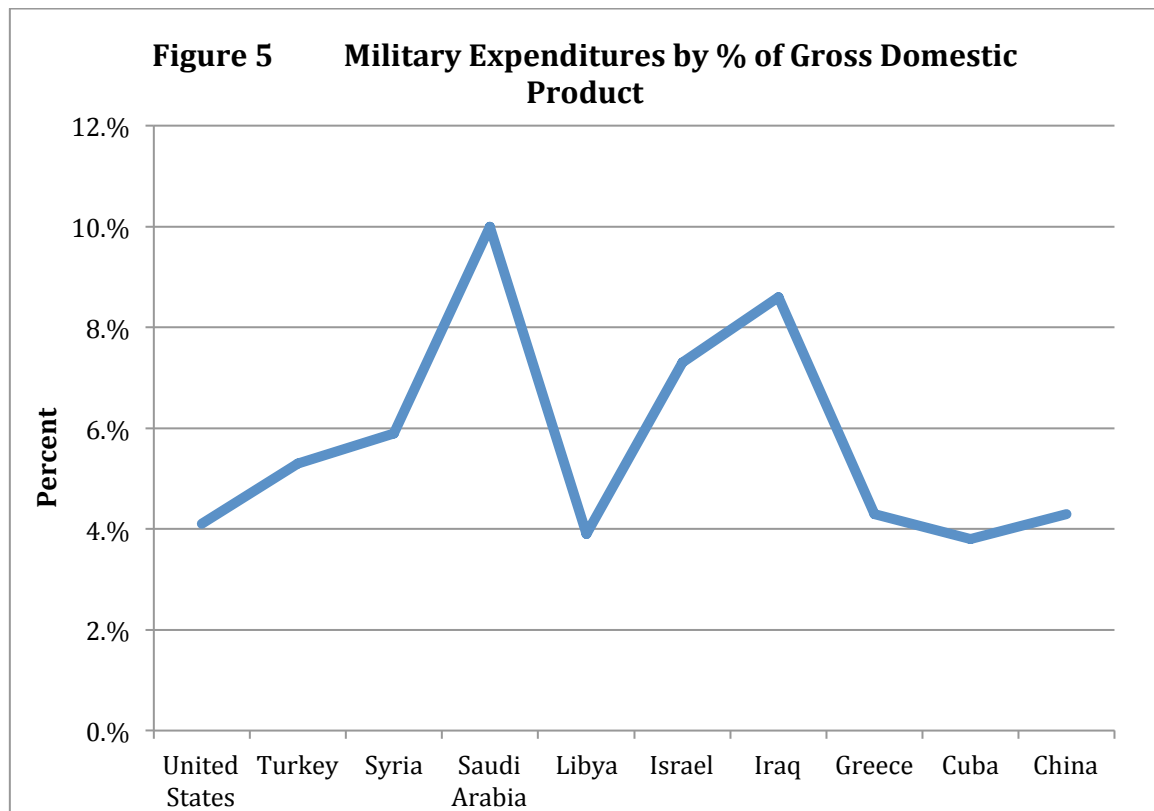
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Subject: Military Expenditures by Percent of Gross Domestic Product

Figure IV displays the 2009 Military Expenditures by percent of the gross domestic product. (See figure 5)



(Source: Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2011, p. 878)

National security continues to be at the forefront of most nations. Saudi Arabia leads the way in spending on military expenses. The data reveals that Iraq comes in second spending just 1.4% less than Saudi Arabia. The United States, considered to be the largest and strongest military in the world spends about 4% of the gross domestic product. As terrorist organizations continue to operate, we will see an increase in these expenditures.