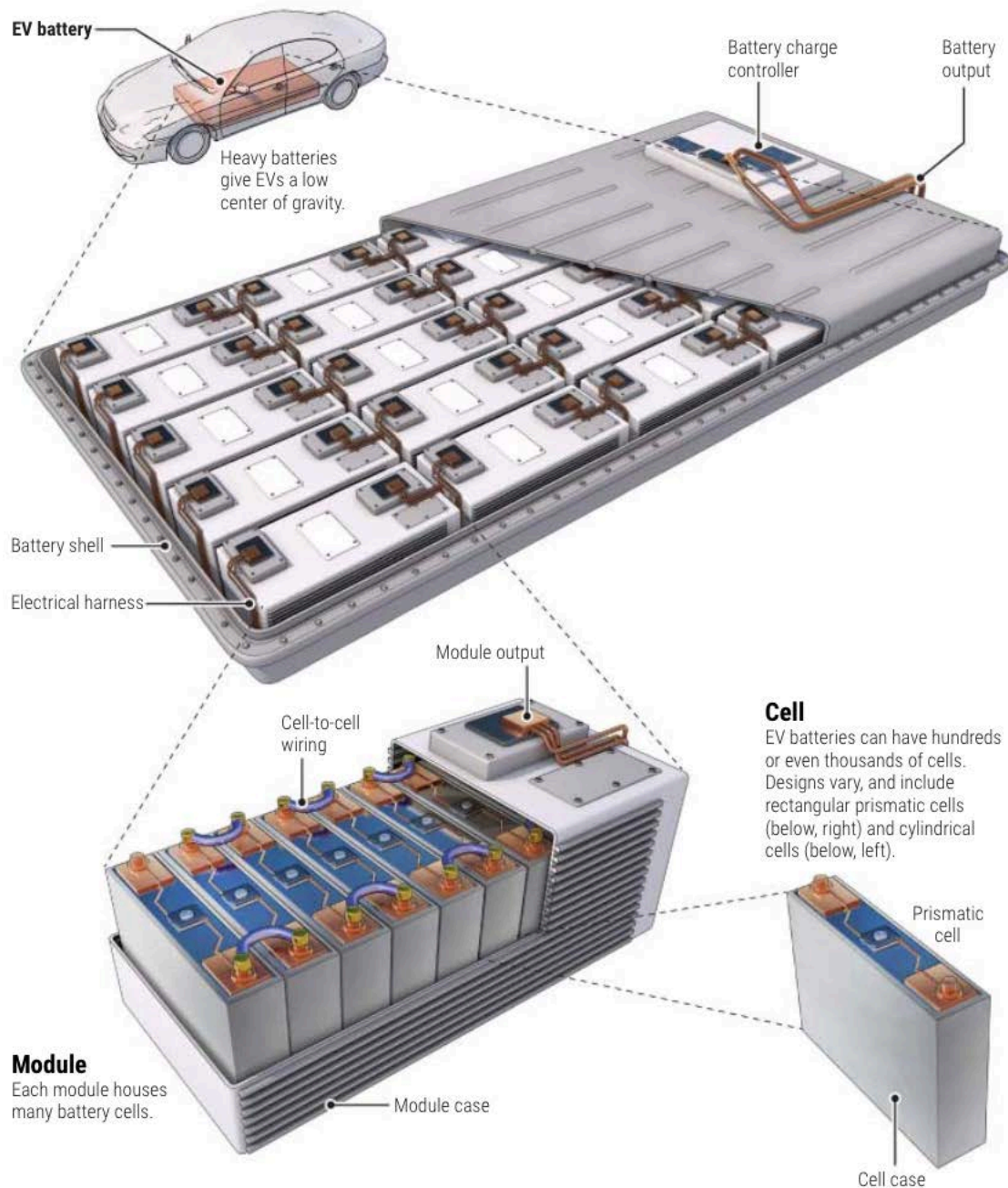


EV Battery Raw Materials

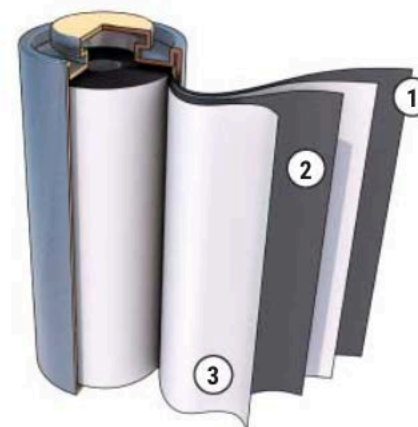
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Cylindrical cell

A tough steel casing makes these cells difficult to open. Often durable glue combines thousands of cells into packs.

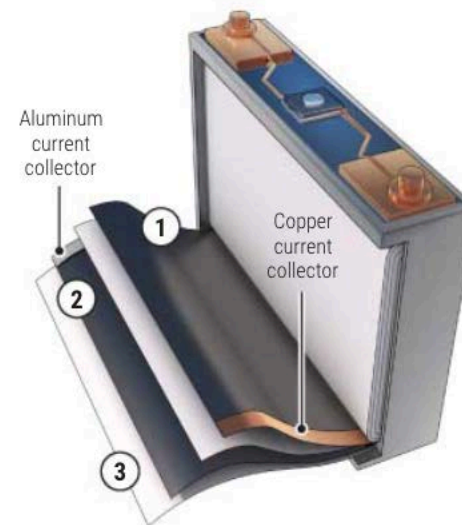


1 Cathode

The cathode typically holds the most valuable recyclable material, made up of many metals.

2 Anode

Negative electrodes are composed of graphite, carbon, or silicon-based components.



Cell components

Each cell houses the essential components of a battery. They release and store electricity as lithium atoms move between electrodes.

3 Electrolyte and separator

Lithium travels through a separator sheet soaked in electrolyte.

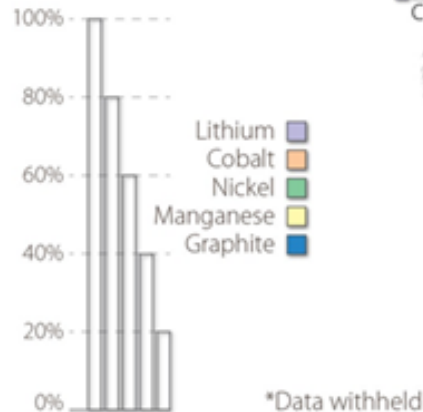
**Tesla Model X:
100 kWh battery has 8,256
cylindrical cells**



Location of Key Raw Materials



Share of Global Production (percent world total)



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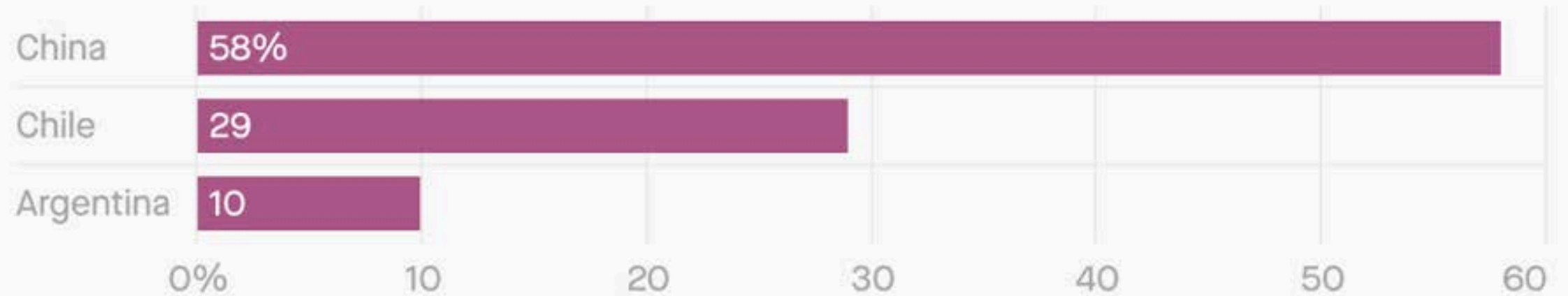
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Share of top three countries producing processed lithium in 2019



Quartz | qz.com | Data: International Energy Agency

Processed Lithium = Lithium Carbonate and Lithium Hydroxide

Raw Materials by Weight

kg/vehicle

For 75 kWh Battery – Tesla Model Y

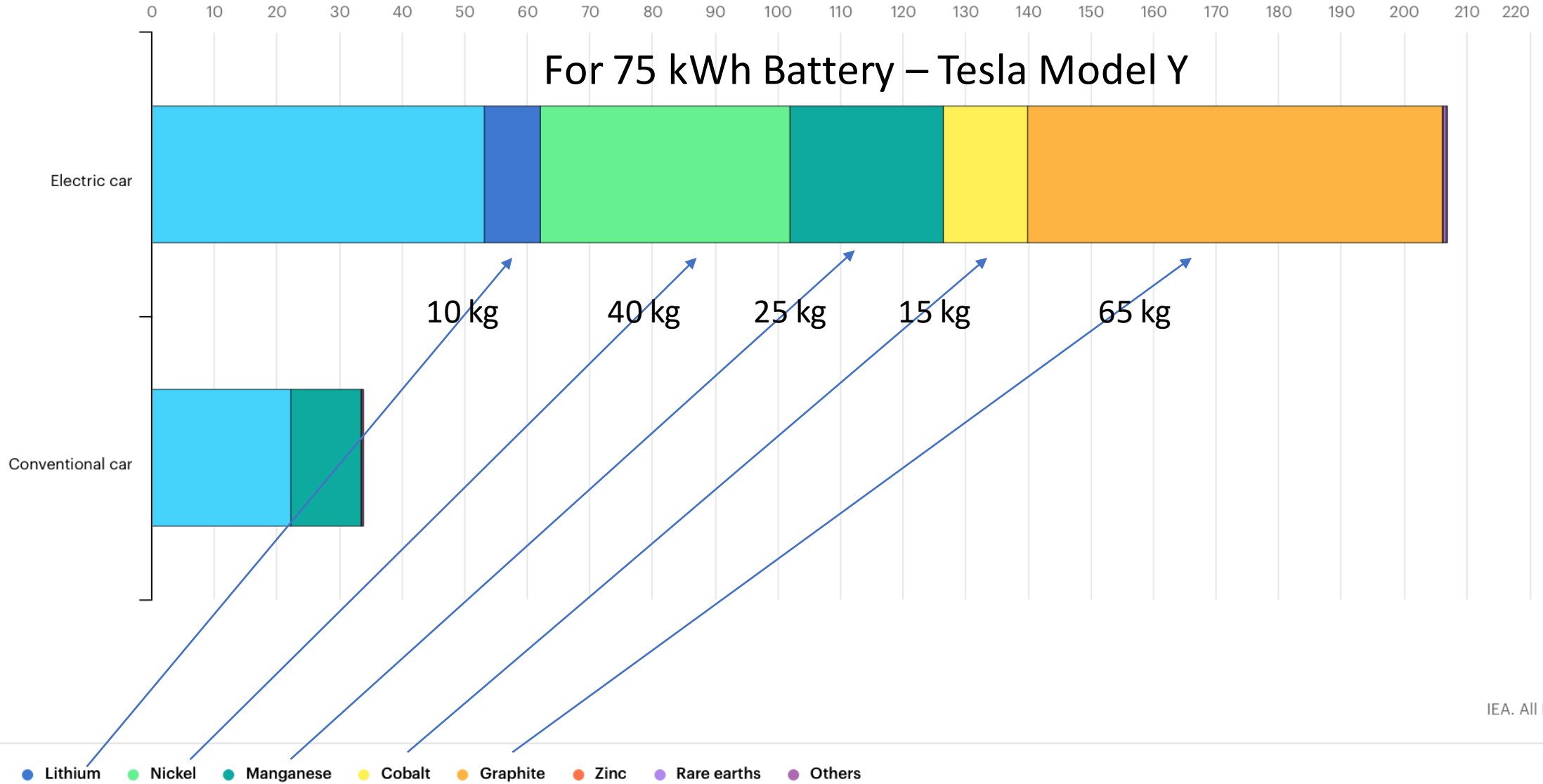


Table 1. LDV Materials Use Estimates (2014–2016)

Years	Total LDV	Units	Material Consumption				
			Cobalt	Lithium ¹	Nickel	Manganese	Graphite
2014		metric tons	1,691	1,381	4,558	1,595	10,649
	(9,600 MWh)	% of mine production	1.40%	4.40%	0.20%	0.00%	
2015		metric tons	3,593	2,935	9,685	3,390	22,630
	(20,400 MWh)	% of mine production	2.90%	9.30%	0.40%	0.00%	
2016		metric tons	5,505	4,497	14,841	5,195	34,677
	(31,260 MWh)	% of mine production	5.00%	11.80%	0.70%	0.00%	

Notes: Total LDV LIB use (MWh capacity) estimates for 2014–2016 are based on CEMAC “Benchmarks of Global Clean Energy Manufacturing” 2017 report.¹ Lithium consumption estimates represent material used in cathode and electrolyte manufacturing. At least 60% of graphite used in LDV batteries is synthetic.

Source: NREL estimates

SQM

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At Close

57.47 +0.19
After Hours

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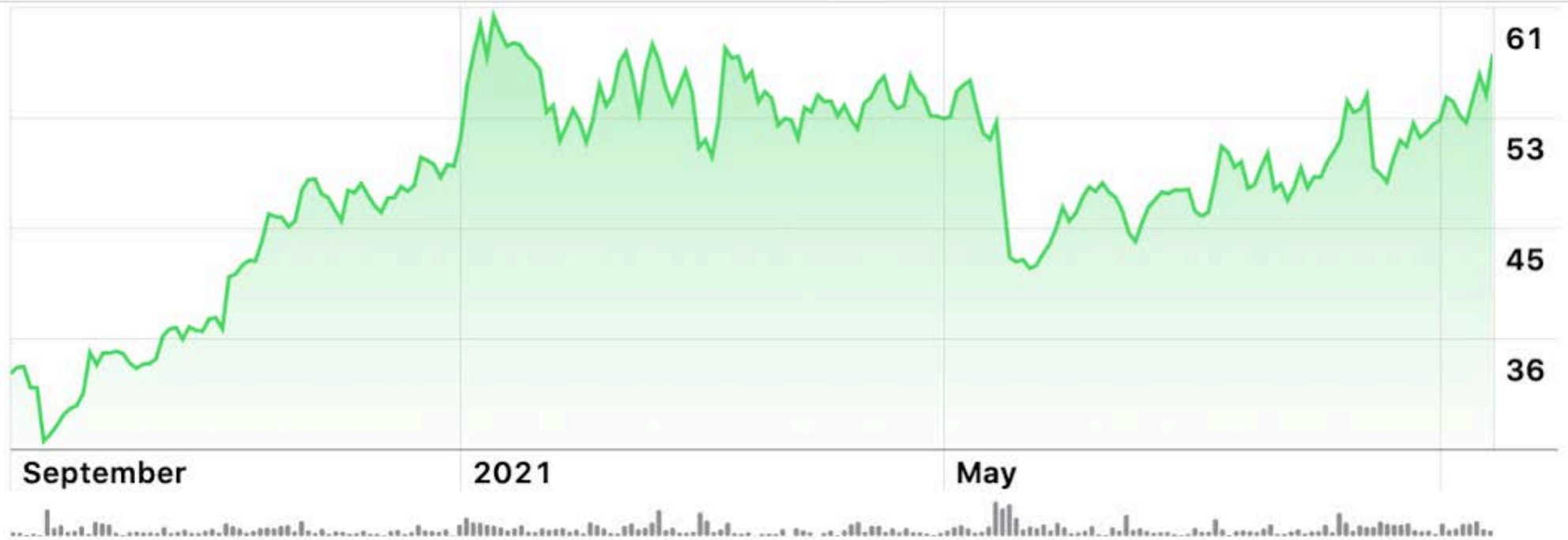
1Y

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10Y

ALL



Open	56.03	Vol	1.058M	52W H	60.74	Yield	1.03%
High	57.43	P/E	69.43	52W L	28.47	Beta	0.88
Low	55.97	Mkt Cap	16.36B	Avg Vol	1.276M	EPS	0.82

[More Data from Ya](#)

Tesla Model Y – Energy Used per Mile Driven

0.23 kWh per Mile = 5.75 kWh for 25 miles
Energy Cost @ 0.13 cents per kWh = 75 cents

MPG for Avg Car = 25 Miles per Gallon = \$4

Tesla Model Y – Emissions Comparison

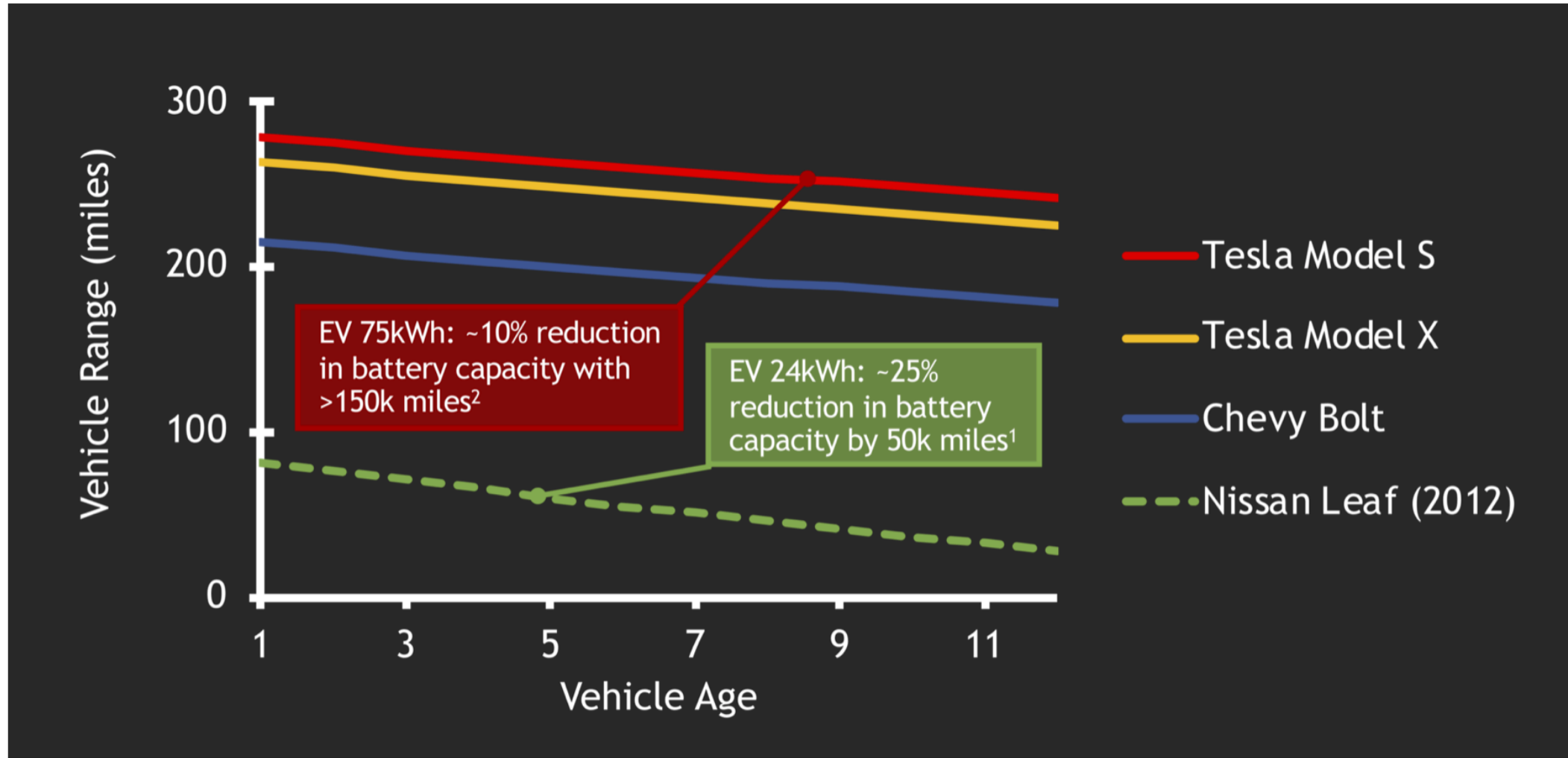
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2.21 lbs. of CO₂ per kWh

5.75 kWh releases 12.7 lbs. of CO₂

1 gallon of gasoline = 19 lbs. of CO₂

EV Battery Degradation



¹Shirk, M. and J. Wishart (2015). Effects of Electric Vehicle Fast Charging on Battery Life and Vehicle Performance, SAE Technical Paper.

²Lambert, F. (2018). Tesla battery degradation at less than 10% after over 160,000 miles, according to latest data. Electrek.

Recycle Batteries or Second Use?

Recycling:

Expensive to extract NMC from used batteries

Second Use in Stationary Applications:

Frequency Regulation

Spinning Reserve

Distribution Support

Energy Arbitrage

NOTES:

1. Second use of Pb-acid submarine batteries
2. Does second use offer an economic development opportunity for New Mexico?

Second Use Pilot Project in Germany

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