



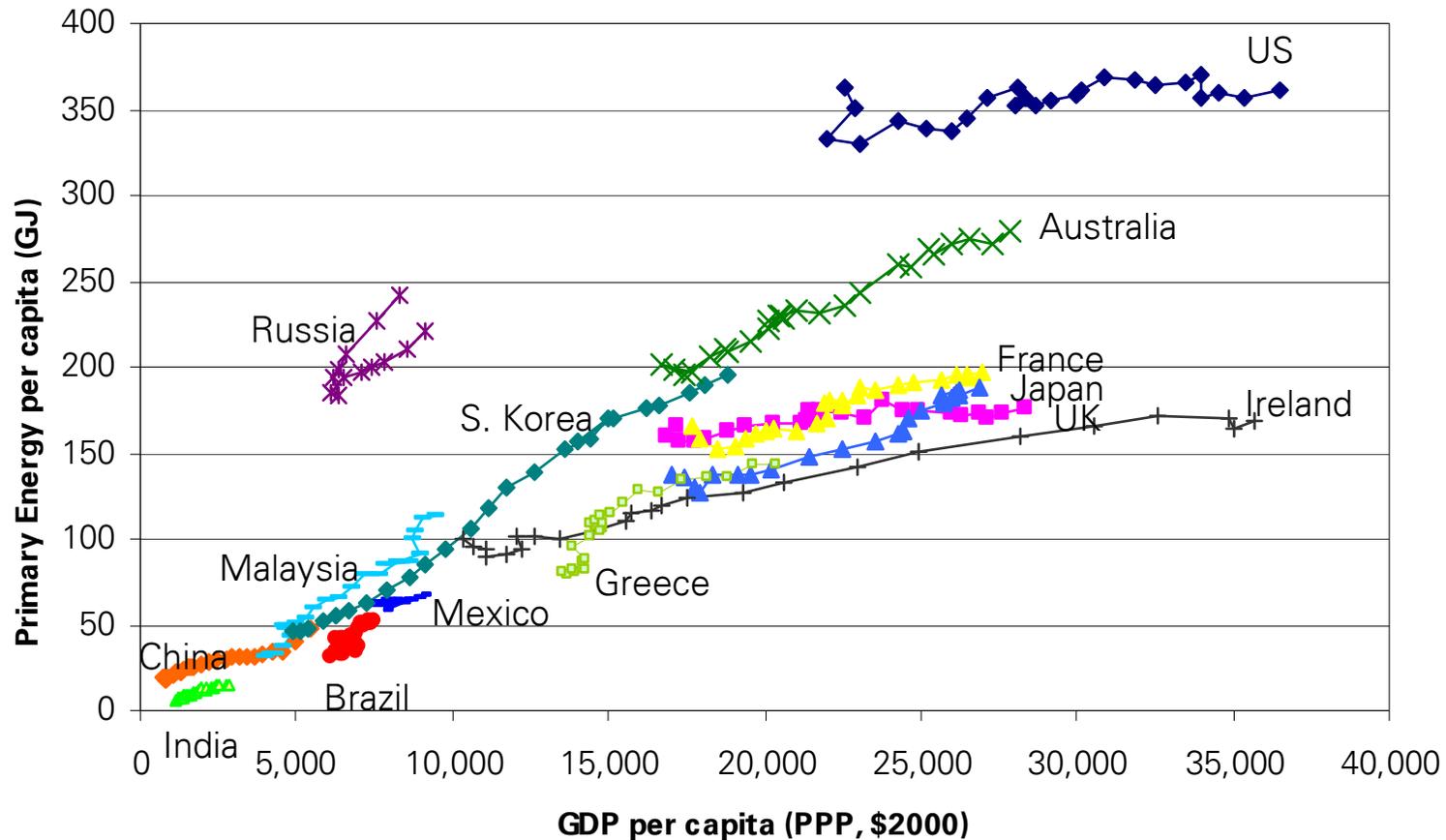
# Technologies for secure and sustainable energy

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# energy use grows with economic development

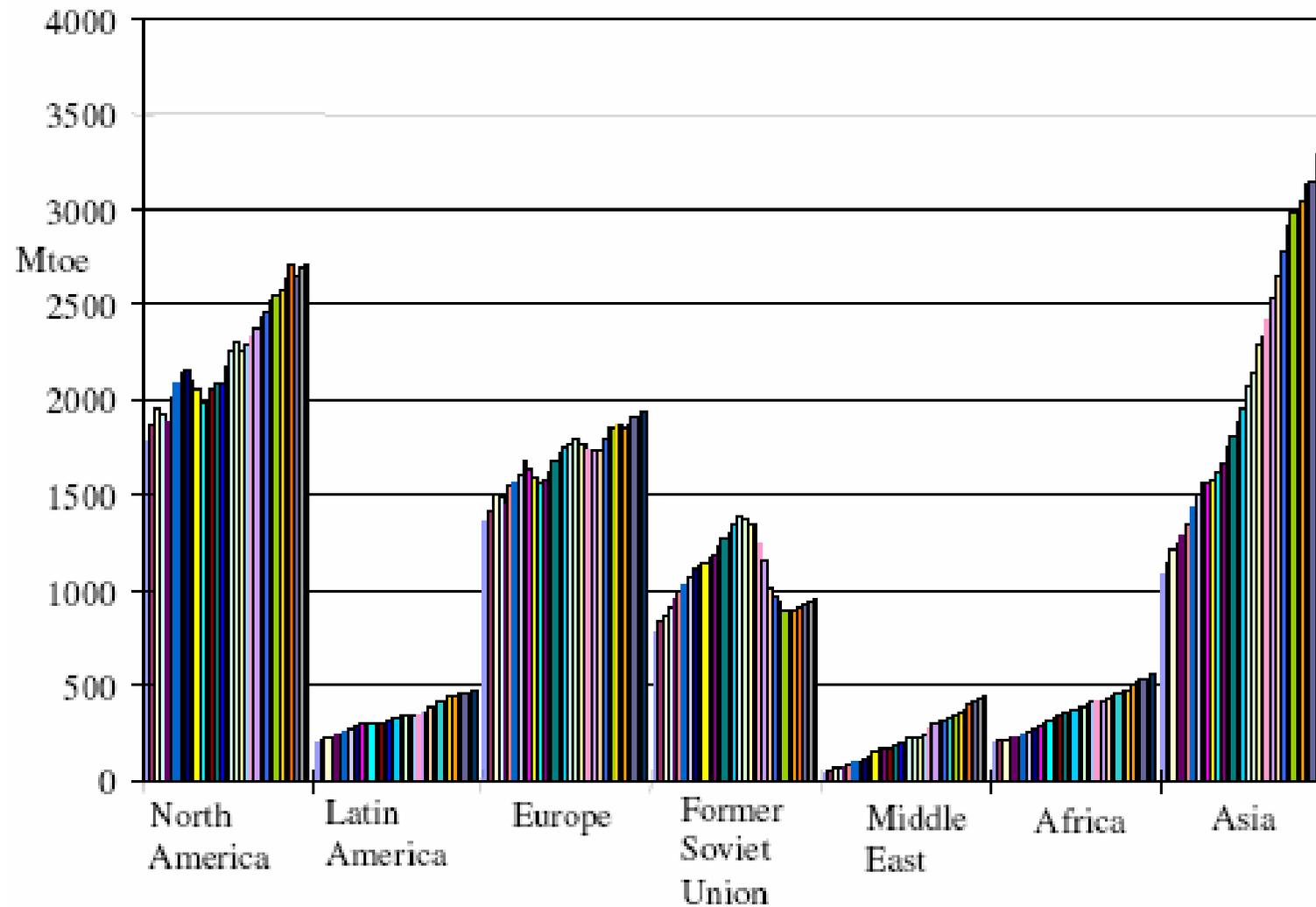


## energy demand and GDP per capita (1980-2004)



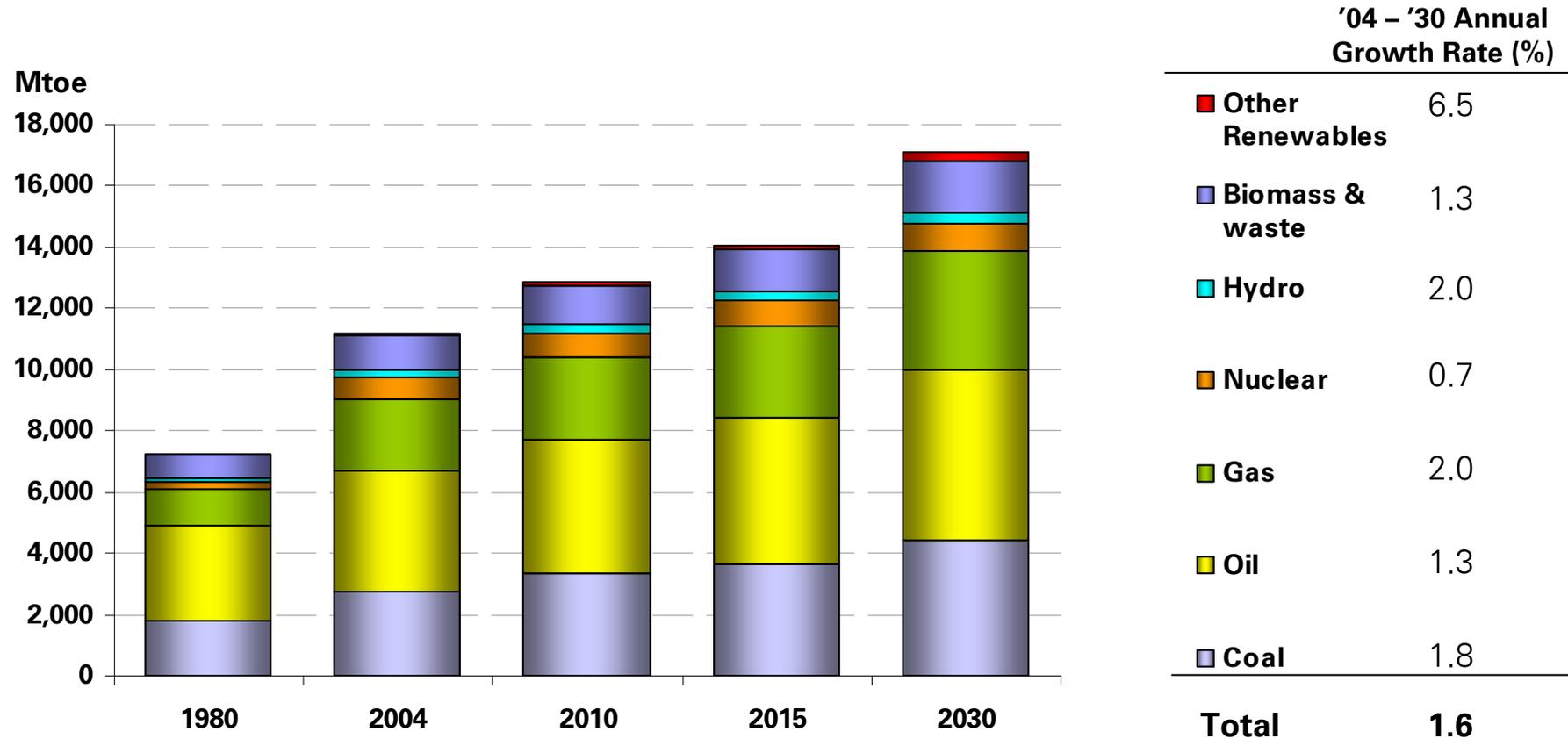
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# annual primary energy demand 1971-2003



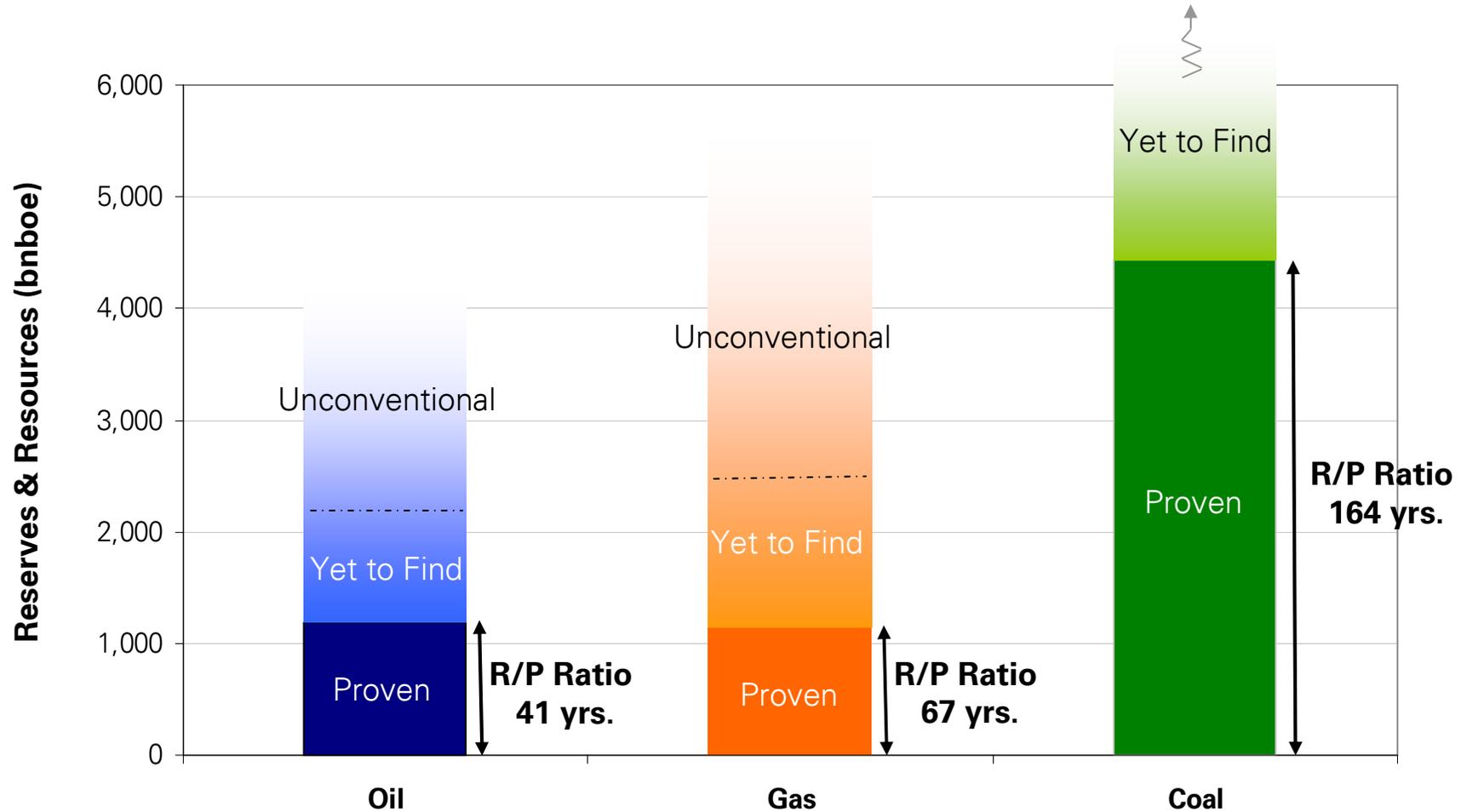
Source IEA, 2004 (Excludes biomass)

# BAU projection of primary energy sources



Note: 'Other renewables' include geothermal, solar, wind, tide and wave energy for electricity generation

# substantial global fossil resources

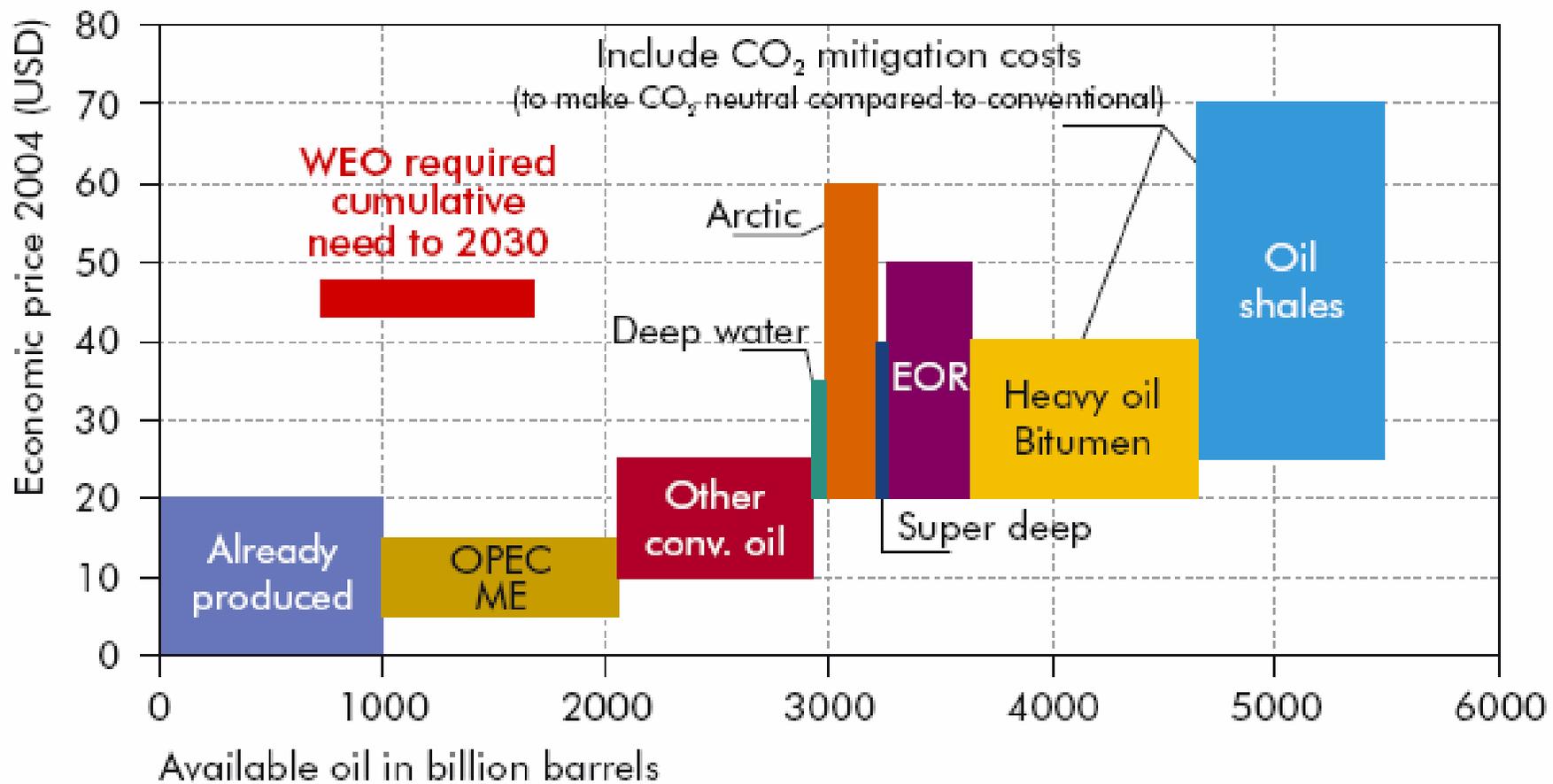


Source: World Energy Assessment 2001, HIS, WoodMackenzie, BP Stat Review 2005, BP estimates

# oil supply and cost curve

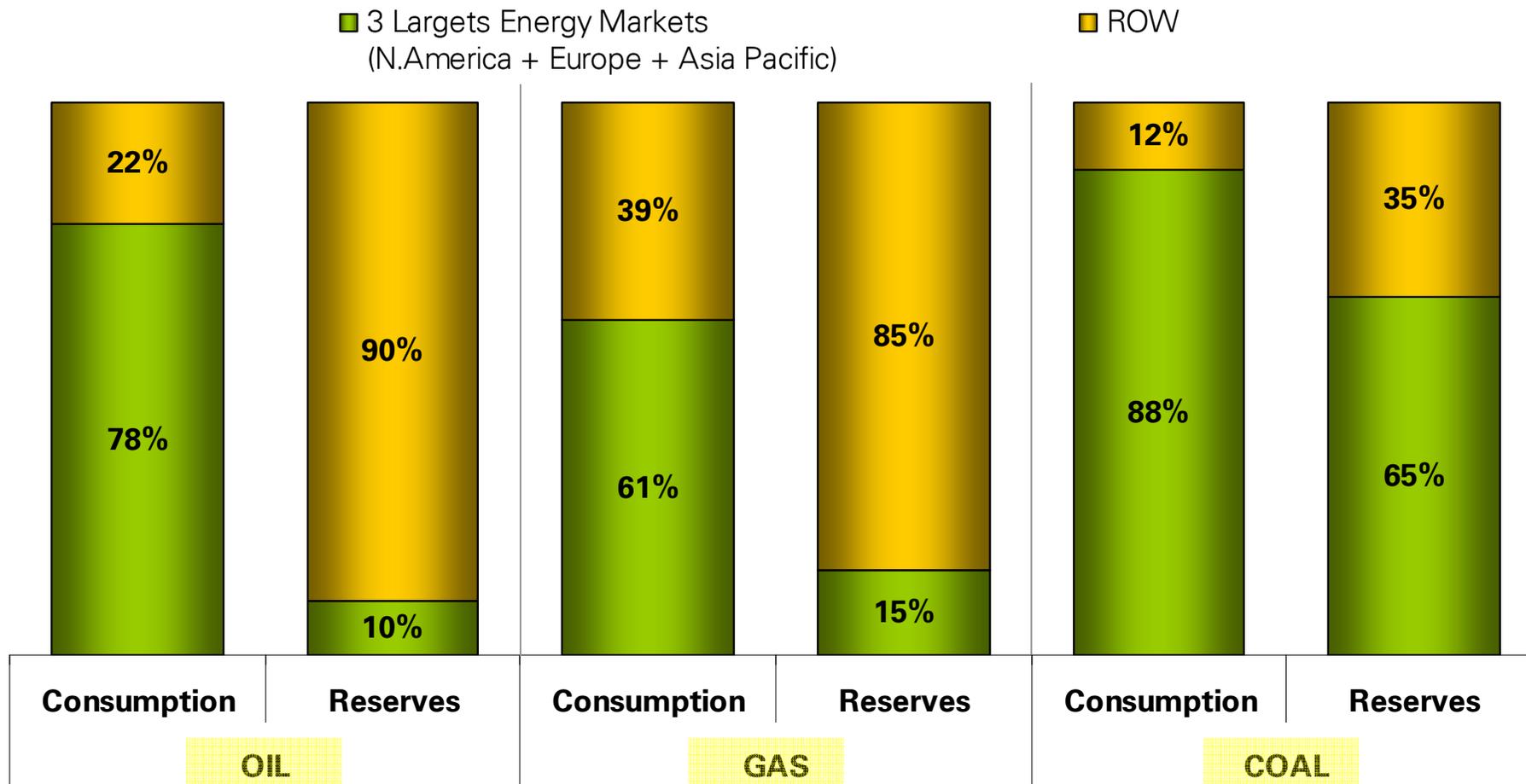


Availability of oil resources as a function of economic price

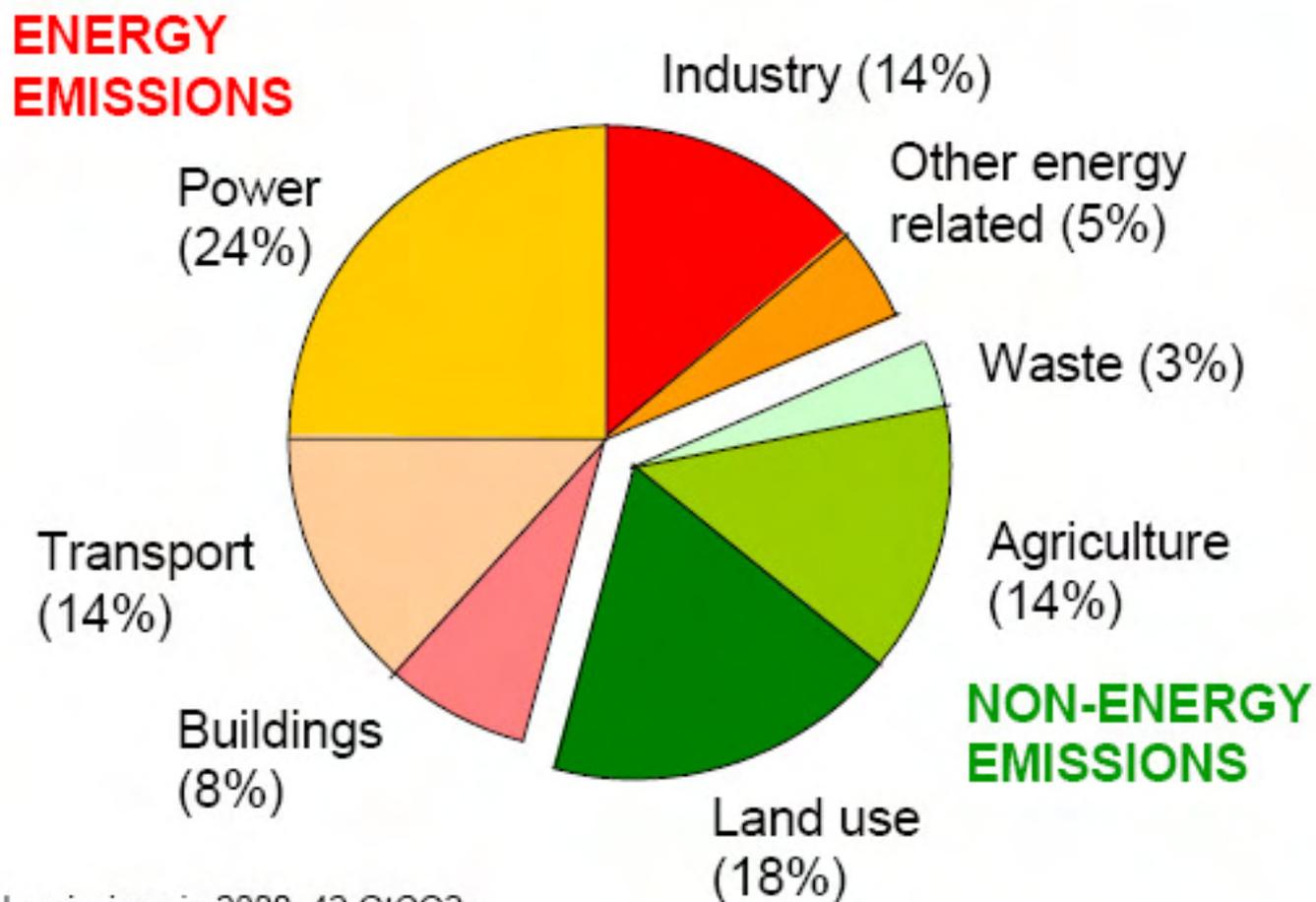


Source: IEA (2005)

# dislocation of fossil fuel supply & demand



# greenhouse gas emissions in 2000 by source

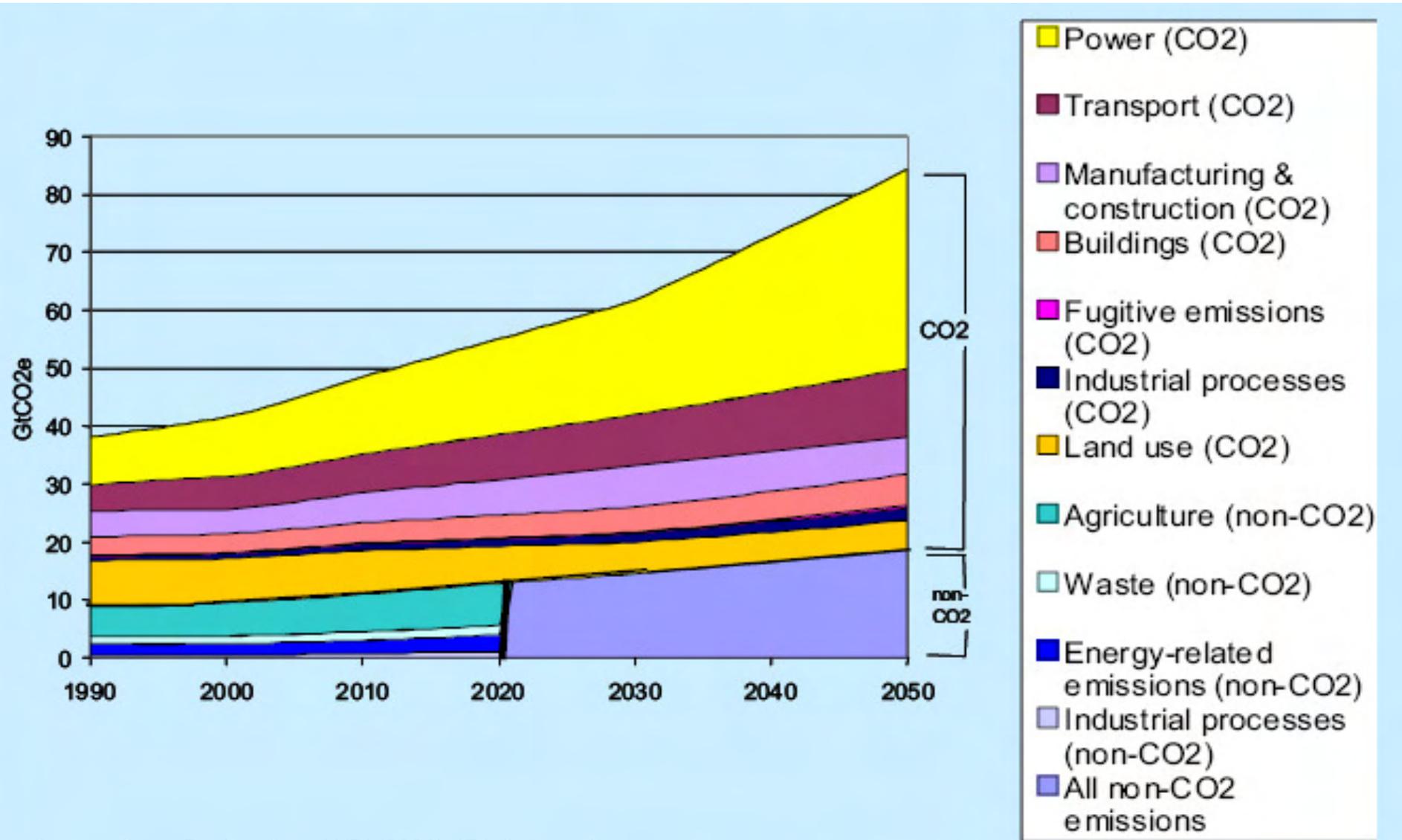


Total emissions in 2000: 42 GtCO<sub>2</sub>e.

Energy emissions are mostly CO<sub>2</sub> (some non-CO<sub>2</sub> in industry and other energy related).

Non-energy emissions are CO<sub>2</sub> (land use) and non-CO<sub>2</sub> (agriculture and waste).

# historical and projected GHG emissions by sector



Source: Stern Review from WRI (2006), IEA (in press), IEA (2006), EPA (forthcoming), Houghton (2005).

## crucial facts about CO<sub>2</sub> science

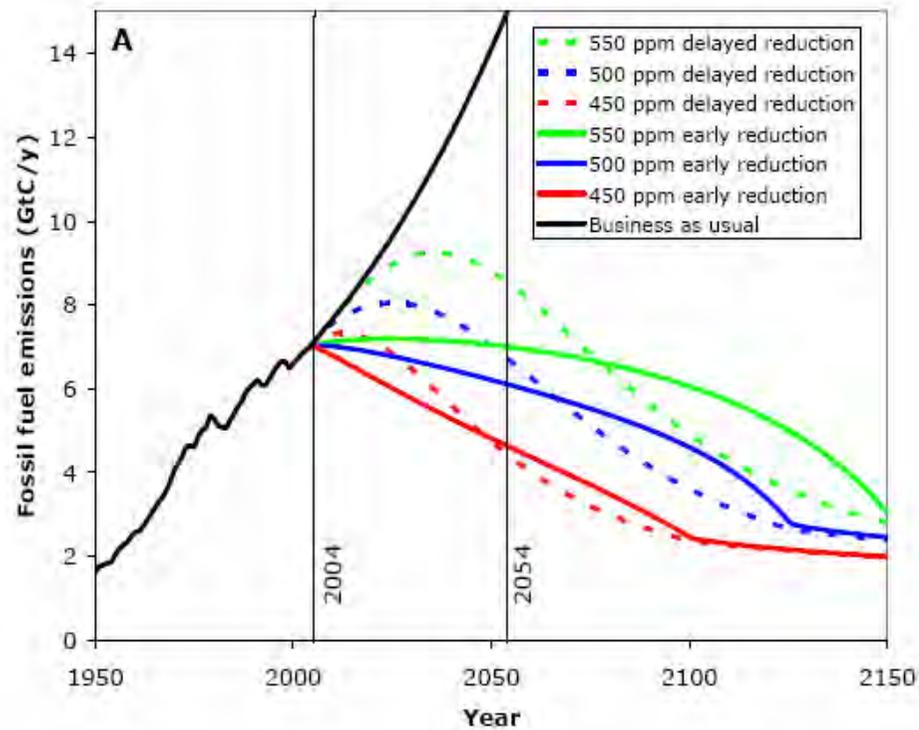


- **The earth absorbs anthropogenic CO<sub>2</sub> at a limited rate**
  - **Emissions would have to drop to about half of their current value by the end of this century to stabilize atmospheric concentration at 550 ppm**
  - **This in the face of a doubling of energy demand in the next 50 years (1.5% per year emissions growth)**
- **The lifetime of CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere is ~ 1000 years**
  - **The atmosphere will accumulate emissions during the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**
  - **Modest emissions reductions only delay the growth of concentration (20% emissions reduction buys 15 years)**

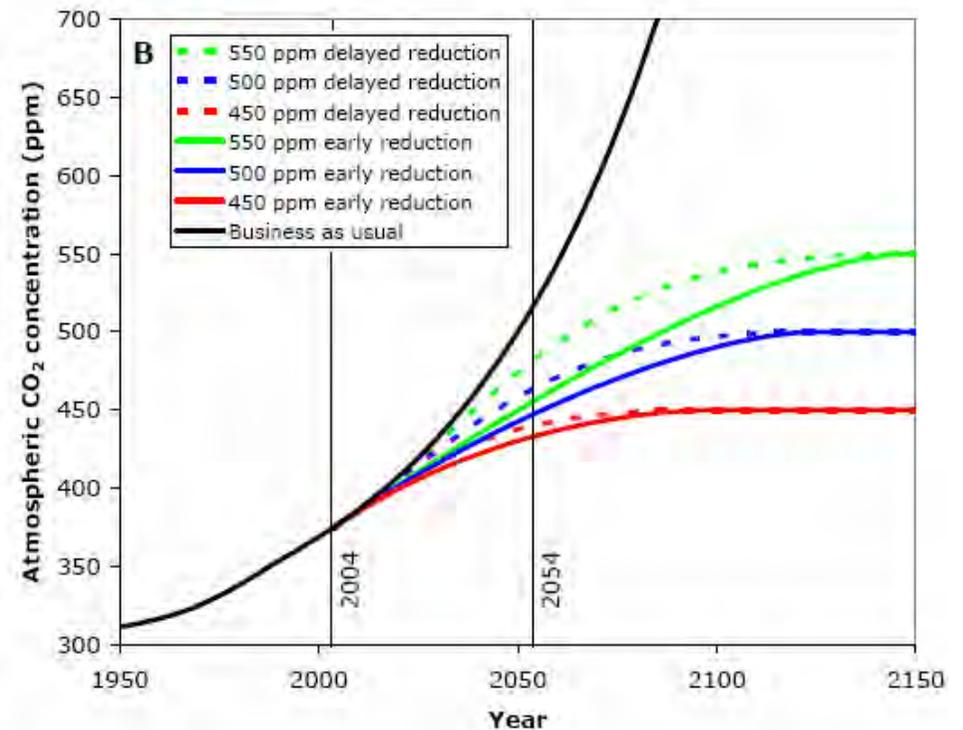
# some stabilization scenarios



## Emissions



## Concentration



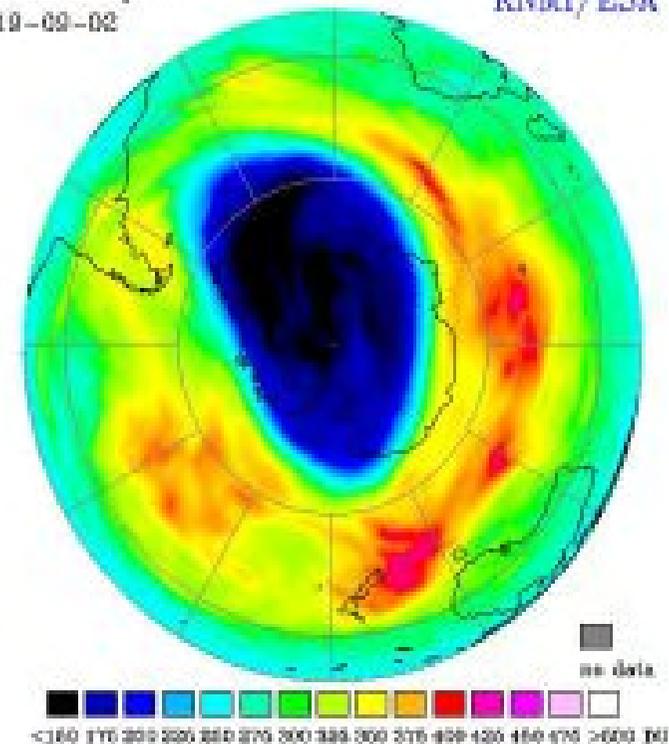
# social barriers to meaningful emissions reductions



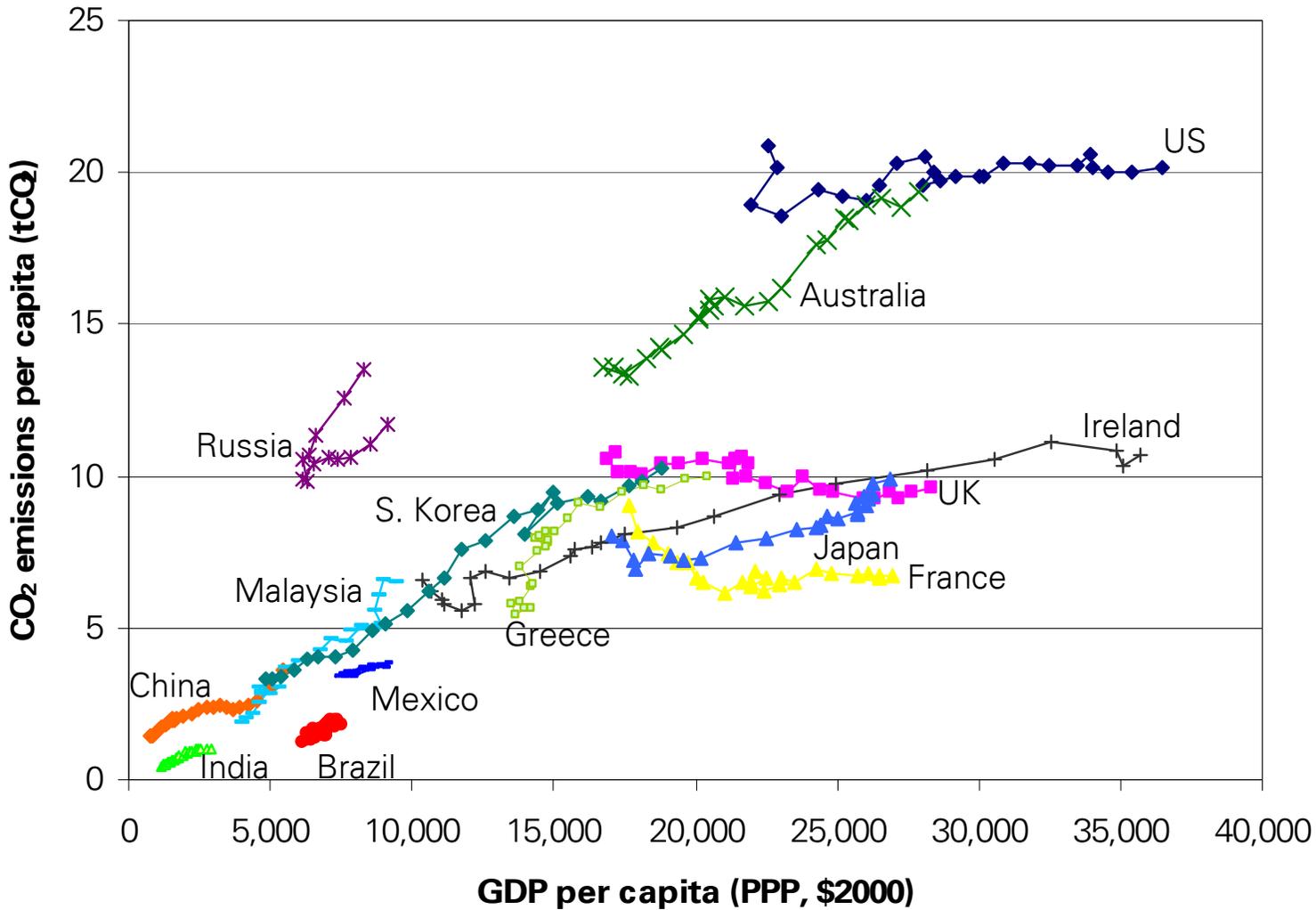
- **Climate threat is intangible and diffuse; can be obscured by natural variability**
  - contrast ozone, air pollution
- **Energy is at the heart of economic activity**
- **CO<sub>2</sub> timescales are poorly matched to the political process**
  - Buildup and lifetime are centennial scale
  - Energy infrastructure takes decades to replace
    - Power plants being planned now will be emitting in 2050
    - Autos last 20 years; buildings 100 years
  - Political cycle is ~6 years; news cycle ~1 day
- **There will be inevitable distractions**
  - a few years of cooling
  - economic downturns
  - unforeseen expenses (e.g., Iraq, tsunamis, ...)
- **Emissions, economics, and the priority of the threat vary greatly around the world**

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# CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and GDP per capita (1980-2004)



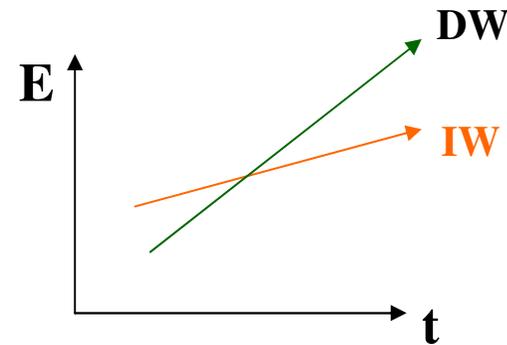
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# implications of emissions heterogeneities



- **21<sup>st</sup> Century emissions from the Developing World (DW) will be more important than those from the Industrialized World (IW)**

- DW emissions growing at 2.8% vs IW growing at 1.2%
- DW will surpass IW during 2015 - 2025



- **Sobering facts**

- When DW ~ IW, each 10% reduction in IW emissions is compensated by < 4 years of DW growth
- If China's (or India's) per capita emissions were those of Japan, global emissions would be 40% higher

- **Reducing emissions is an enormous, complex challenge; technology development will play a central role**

# Distinguishing aspects of energy technologies



- **Scale**
  - Large infrastructure, amounts of material, numbers of units
  - Requires large capital, leverage of existing infrastructure
- **Ubiquity**
  - There are many players with sometimes divergent interests
  - Consumers, suppliers, governments, NGOs, ...
- **Longevity**
  - Lifetimes of large equipment and/or interoperability imply slow changes
- **Incumbency**
  - New energy technologies must compete on cost
  - May not provide any qualitatively new service to the end-user

# some energy technologies



## Primary Energy Sources:

- Light Crude
- Heavy Oil
- Tar Sands
- Wet gas
  - CBM
- Tight gas
- Nuclear
  - Coal
  - Solar
  - Wind
- Biomass
  - Hydro
- Geothermal

## Extraction & Conversion Technologies:

- Exploration
- Deeper water
  - Arctic
  - LNG
- Refining
- Differentiated fuels
- Advantaged chemicals
  - Gasification
- Syngas conversion
- Power generation
  - Photovoltaics
  - Bio-enzymatics
- H<sub>2</sub> production & distribution
- CO<sub>2</sub> capture & storage

## End Use Technologies:

- ICEs
- Adv. Batteries
- Hybridisation
  - Fuel cells
- Hydrogen storage
  - Gas turbines
- Building efficiency
- Urban infrastructure
  - Systems design
  - Other efficiency technologies
    - Appliances
- Retail technologies

***There are no “silver bullets”  
But some have a larger calibre than others !***

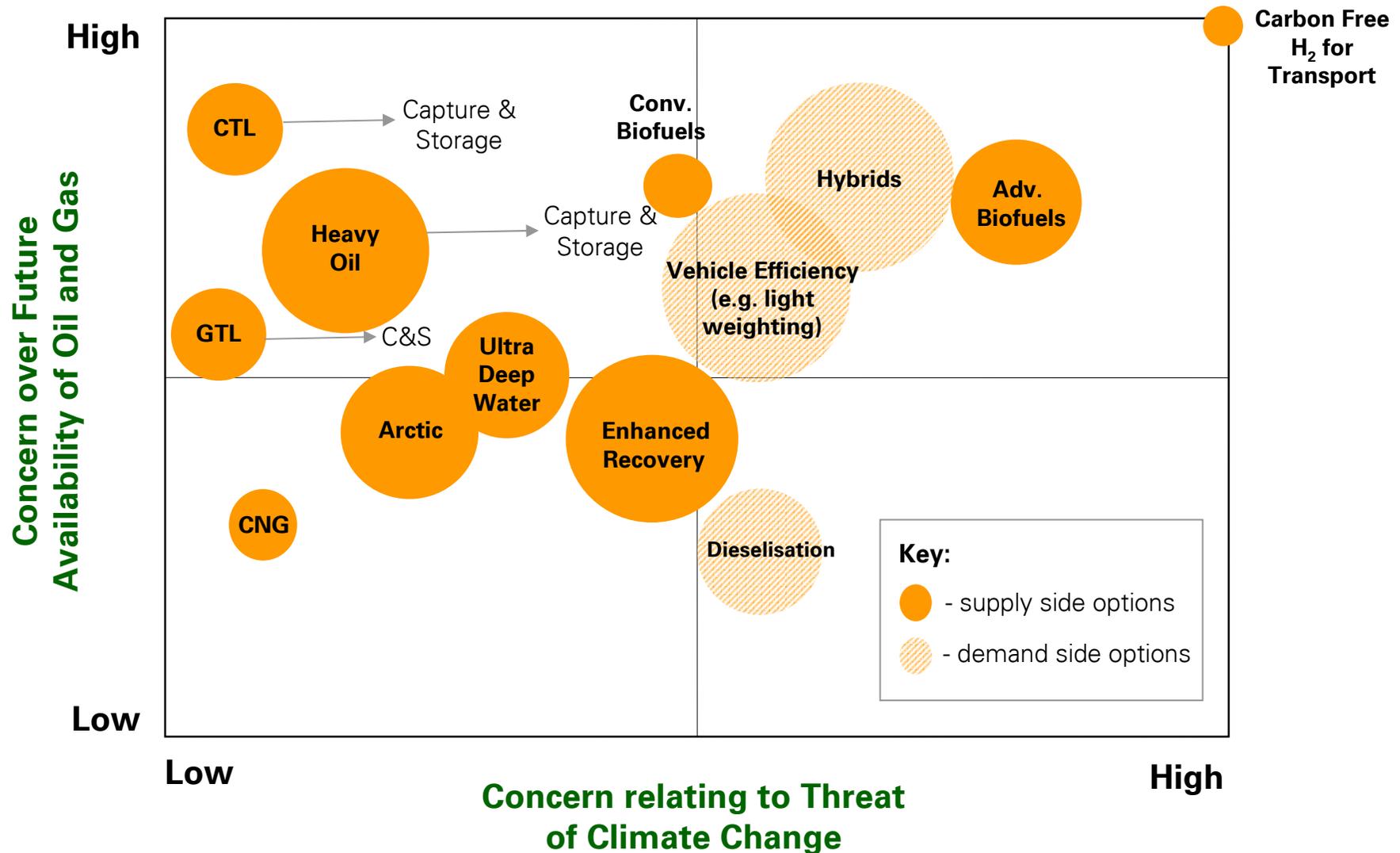
# evaluating energy technology options



- Current **technology status** and plausible **technical headroom**
- **Budgets** for the three E's:
  - **Economic** (cost relative to other options)
  - **Energy** (output how many times greater than input)
  - **Emissions** (pollution and CO<sub>2</sub>; operations and capital)
- **Materiality** (at least 1TW = 5% of 2050 BAU energy demand)
- **Other costs** - reliability, intermittency etc.
- Social and political **acceptability**

**we also must know what problem we are trying to solve**

# two key energy considerations – security & climate



# the fungibility of carbon



## Primary Carbon Source

Natural Gas

Coal

Biomass

Extra Heavy Oil

## Syngas Step

**Syngas**  
(CO + H<sub>2</sub>)

## Conversion Technology

### Syngas to Liquids (GTL) Process

Diesel

Naphtha

Lubes

### Syngas to Chemicals Technologies

Methanol

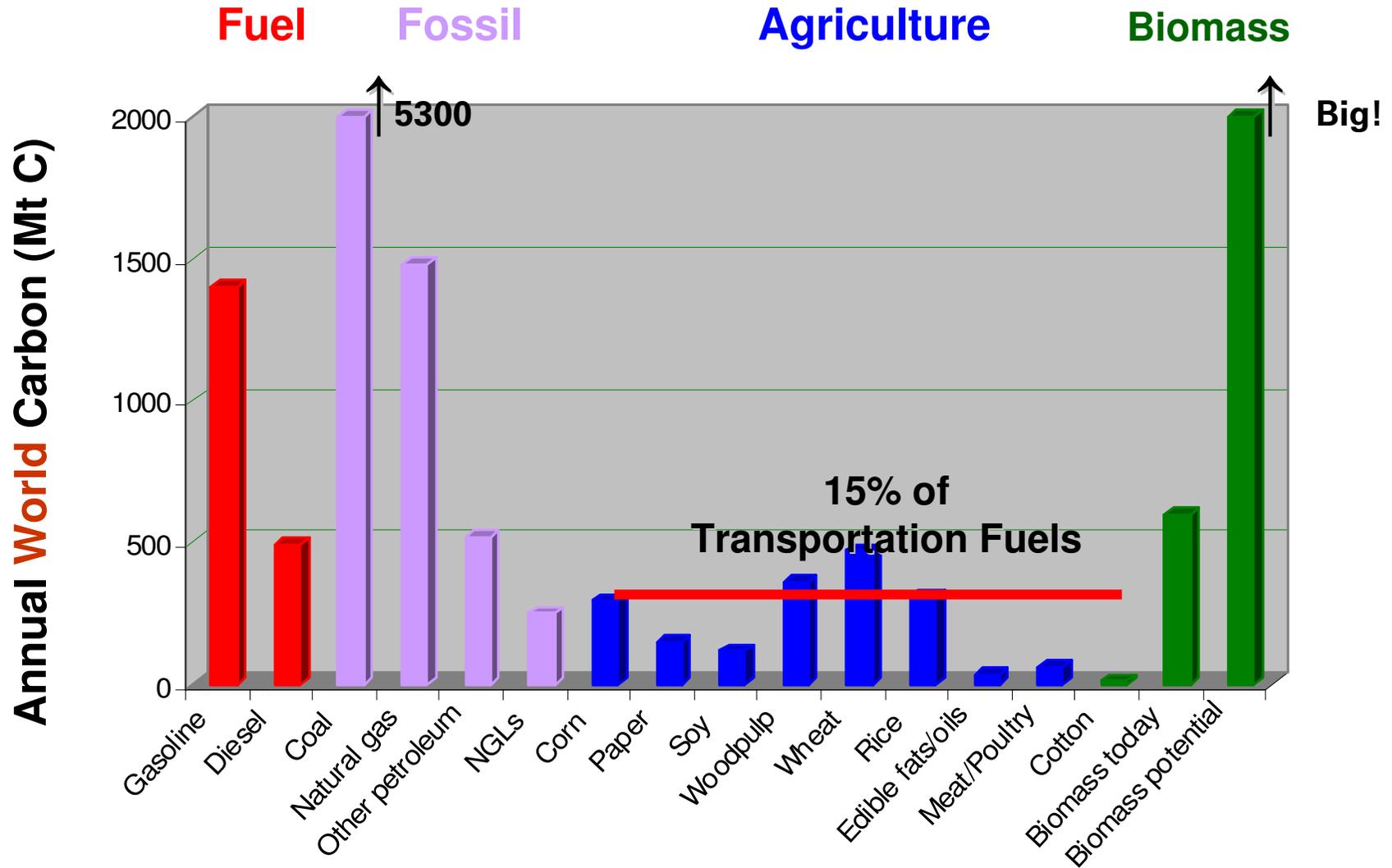
Hydrogen

Others (e.g. mixed alcohols, DME)

### Syngas to Power

Combined Cycle Power Generation

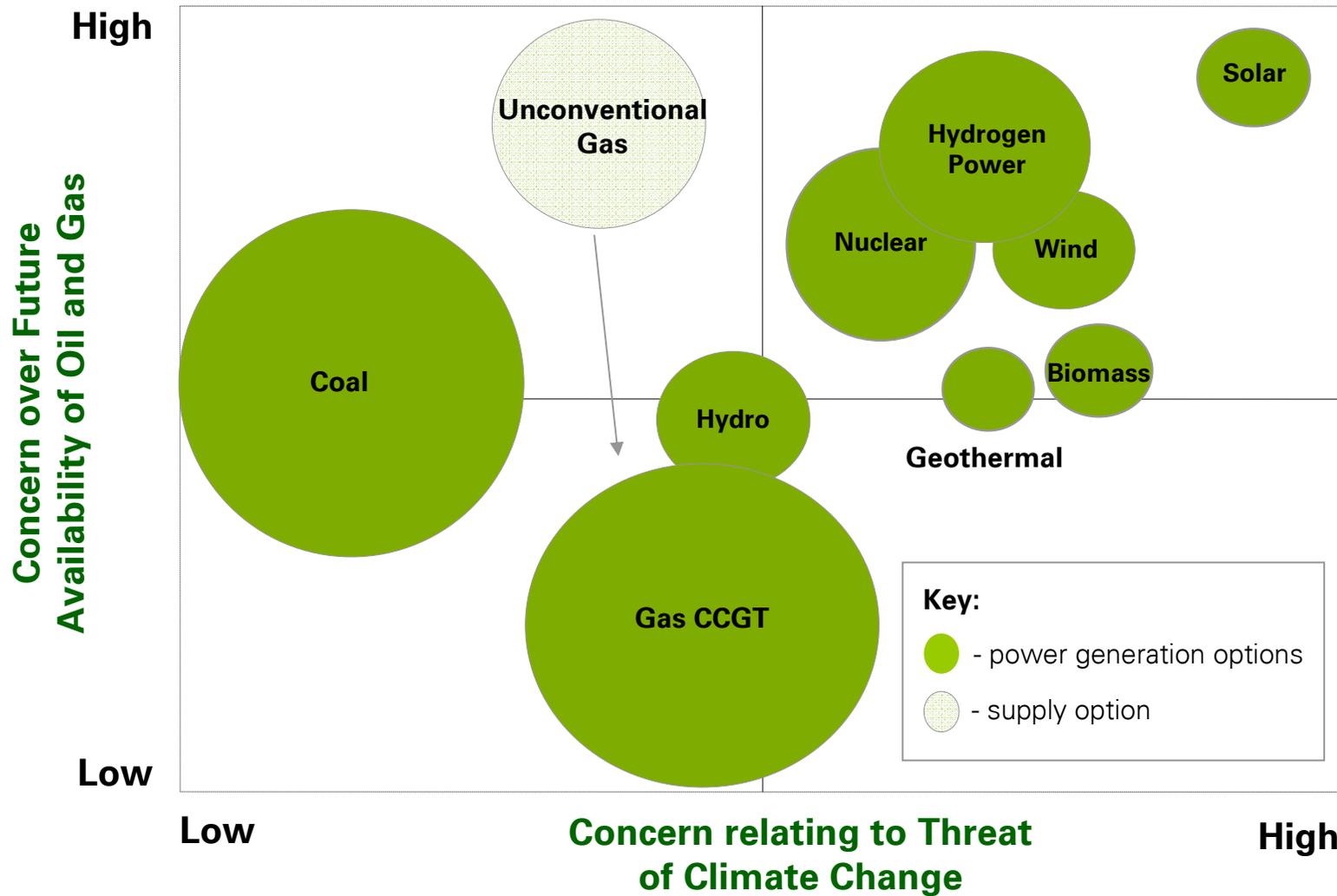
# what carbon "beyond petroleum"?



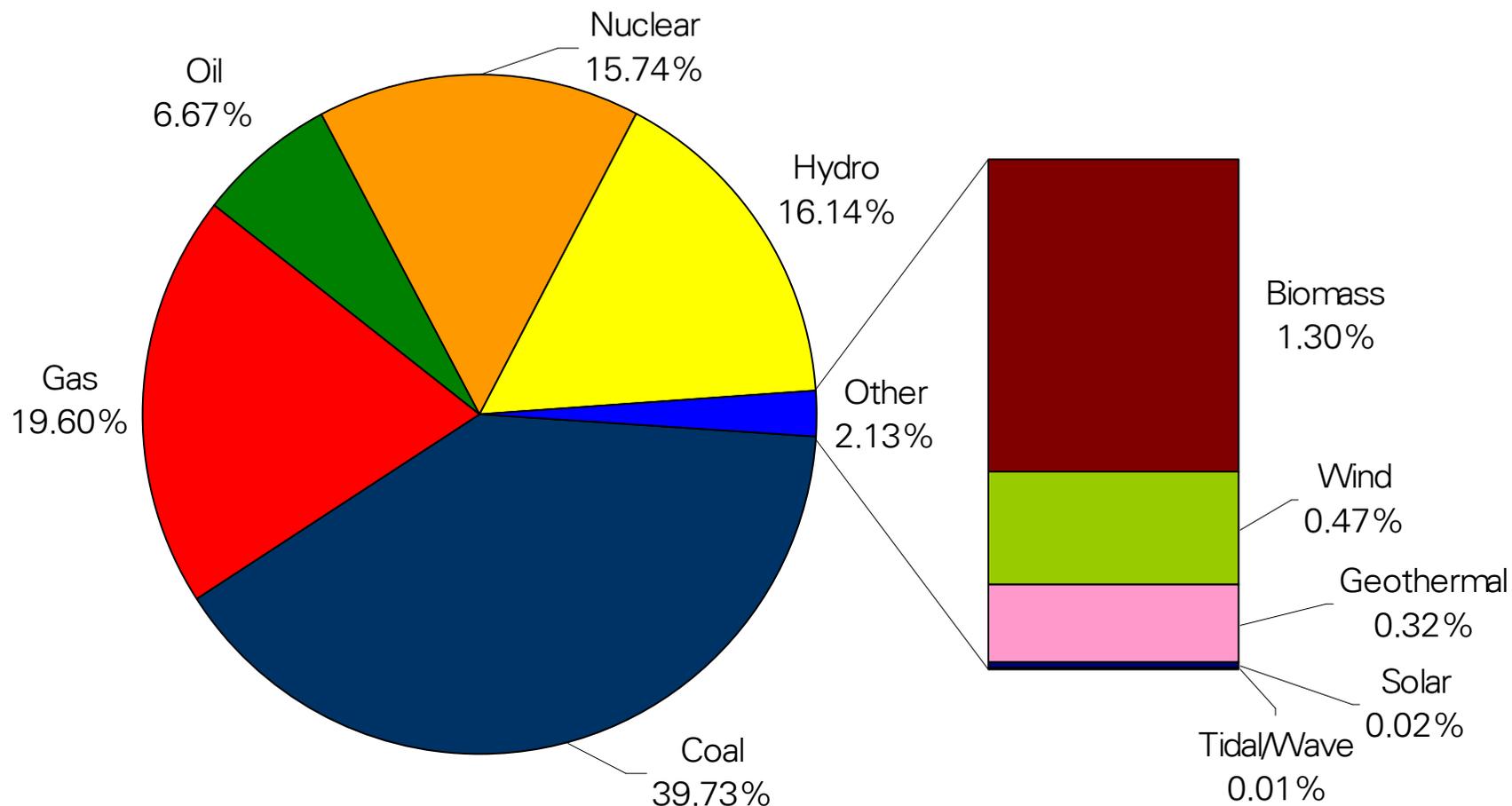
# evaluating power options



*power sector*

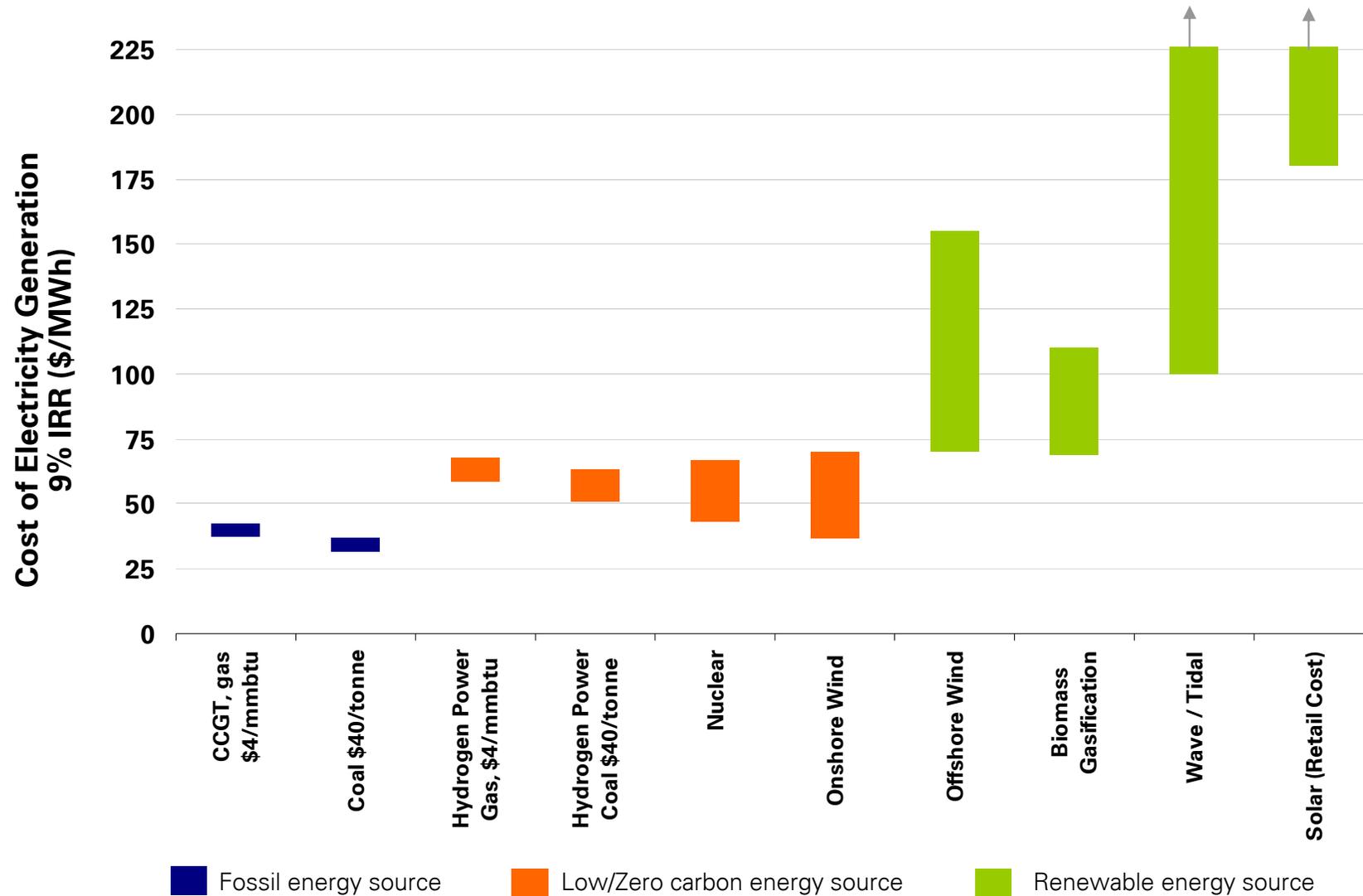


# electricity generation shares by fuel - 2004



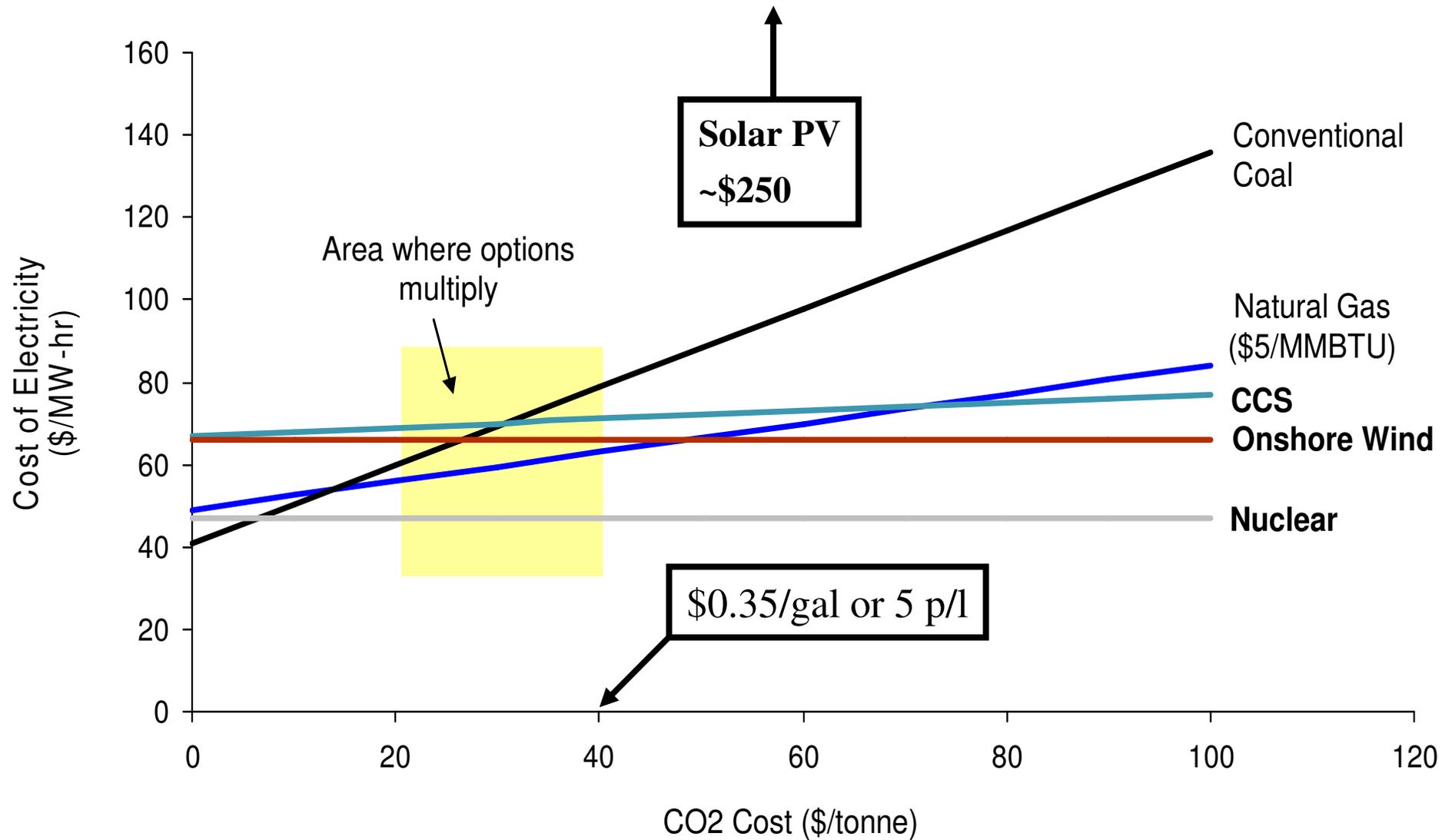
Source: IEA WEO 2006

# levelised costs of electricity generation



Source: BP Estimates, Navigant Consulting

# impact of CO<sub>2</sub> cost on levelised Cost of Electricity



Source: IEA Technology Perspectives 2006, IEA WEO 2006 and BAH analysis

# potential of demand side reduction



## *Low Energy Buildings*



- Buildings represent 40-50% of final energy consumption
- Technology exists to reduce energy demand by at least 50%
- Challenges are consumer behaviour, policy and business models

## *Urban Energy Systems*



- 75% of the world's population will be urbanised by 2030
- Are there opportunities to integrate and optimise energy use on a city wide basis?

# efficiency is not the same as conservation

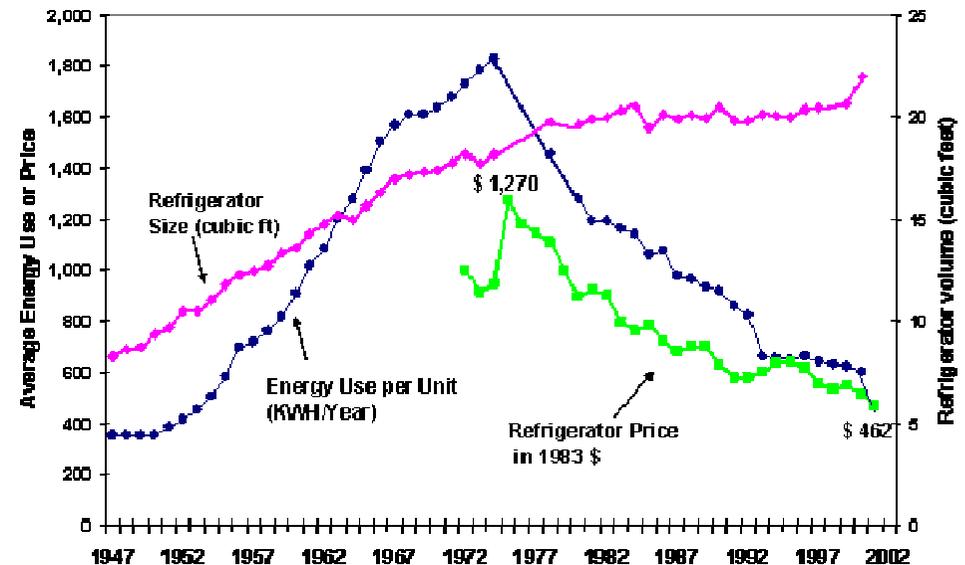


***It is wholly a confusion of ideas to suppose that the economical use of fuels is equivalent to a diminished consumption.*** – W.S. Jevons, 1865

United States Refrigerator Use v. Time

- **Instances**

- Supply-limited situations
- US refrigerators
- US automobile fleet



## US Autos (1990-2001)

Net Miles per Gallon:	+4.6%
- engine efficiency:	+23.0%
- weight/performance:	-18.4%
Annual Miles Driven:	+16%
Annual Fuel Consumption:	+11%

- Price and/or policy are the surest ways to induce conservation
- Either is politically difficult

# likely 30-year energy future



- **Hydrocarbons will continue to dominate transportation (high energy density)**
  - Conventional crude / heavy oils / biofuels / CTL and GTL ensure continuity of supply at reasonable cost
  - Vehicle efficiency can be at least doubled (hybrids, plug-in hybrids, HCCI, diesel)
  - local pollution controllable at cost; CO<sub>2</sub> emissions now ~20% of the total
  - Hydrogen in vehicles is a long way off, if it's there at all
    - No production method simultaneously satisfies economy, security, emissions
    - Technical and economic barriers to distribution / on-board storage / fuel cells
    - Benefits are largely realizable by plausible evolution of existing technologies
- **Coal (security) and gas (cleanliness) will continue to dominate heat and power**
  - Capture and storage (H<sub>2</sub> power) practiced if CO<sub>2</sub> concern is to be addressed
  - Nuclear (energy security, CO<sub>2</sub>) will be a fixed, if not growing, fraction of the mix
  - Renewables will find some application but will remain a small fraction of the total
    - Advanced solar a wildcard
- **Demand reduction will happen where economically effective or via policy**
- **CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (and concentrations) continue to rise absent dramatic global action**

# necessary steps around the technology



- **Technically informed, coherent, stable government policies**
  - Educated decision-makers and public
  - Focus on the most material/lowest-cost measures
  - For short/mid-term technologies
    - Avoid picking winners/losers
    - Level playing field for all applicable technologies
  - For longer-term technologies
    - Support for pre-competitive research
      - Hydrates, fusion, advanced [fission, PV, biofuels, ...]
- **Business needs reasonable expectation of “price of carbon”**
- **Universities/labs must recognize and act on importance of energy research**
  - Technology and policy



Questions/Comments/Discussion