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# MEDIUM-TERM Oil Market Report Prices and Uncertainties

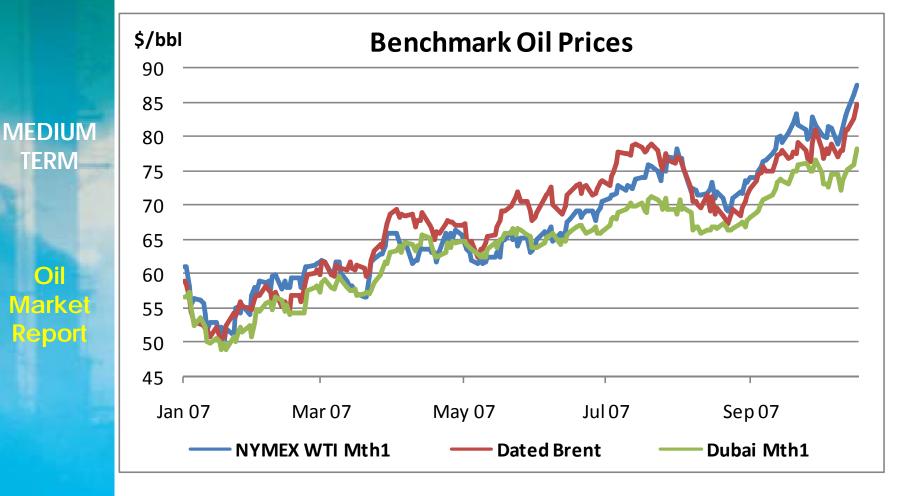
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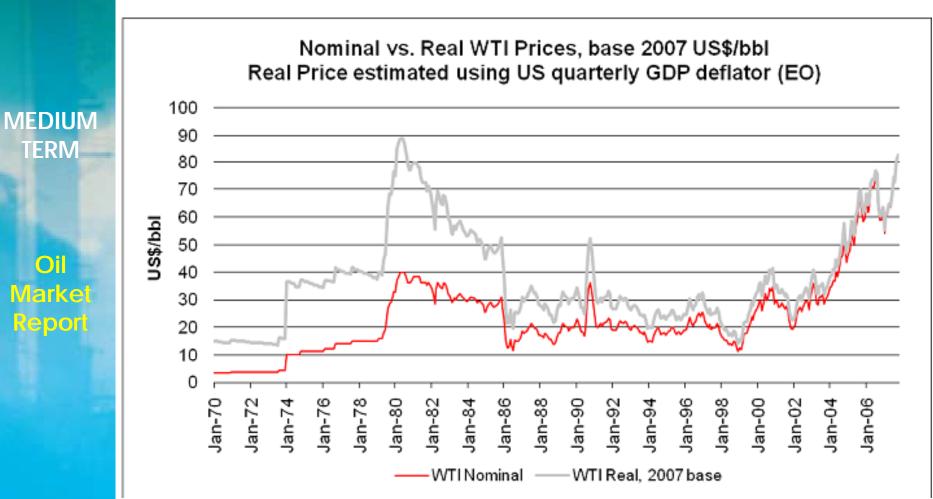
## Nearing \$100, but why?



+\$80 oil caused by OPEC, low stocks, refining, spare capacity or funds?



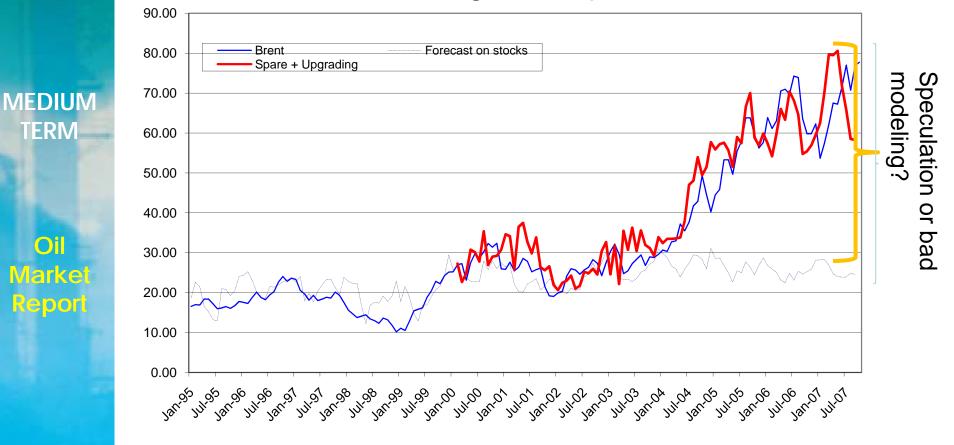
# Nearing inflation-adjusted highs



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## Stock price models broke down in 2003

#### Modeling the oil price

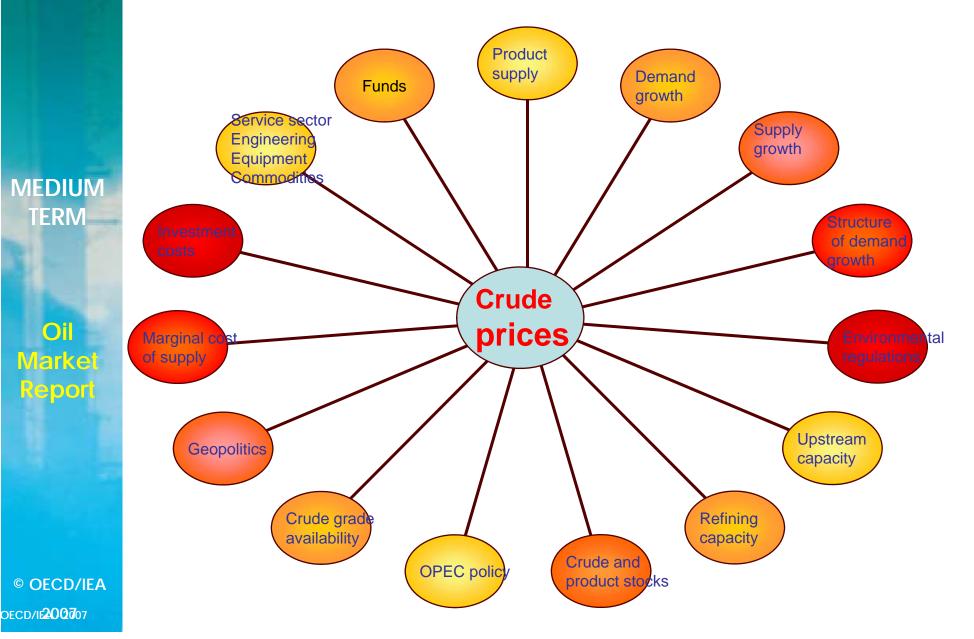


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## No single cause of high prices

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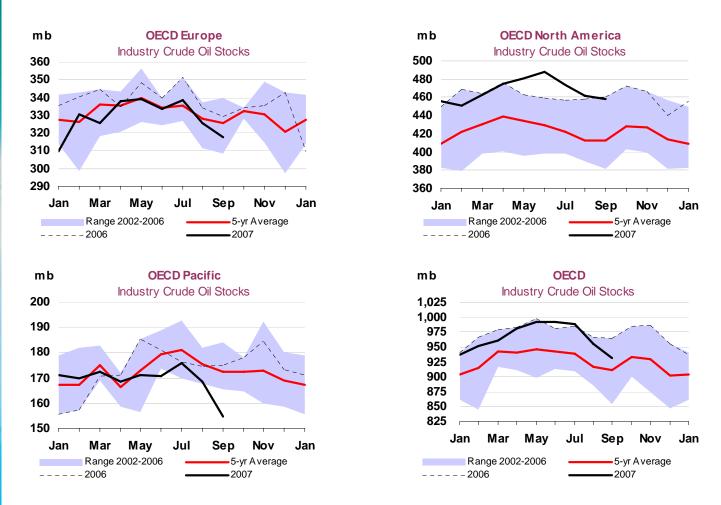


### OECD industry stocks down 29.5 mb in Aug, maybe off another 20.5 mb in Sep



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- Falls have been predominantly in crude over past few months
  Significant regional variations
- Counter-seasonal 3Q stockdraw, 4Q 400-700kb/d

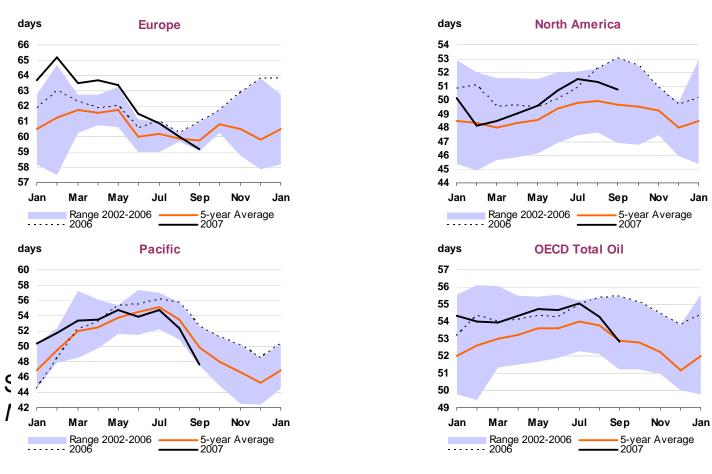
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### Forward demand cover falls below average



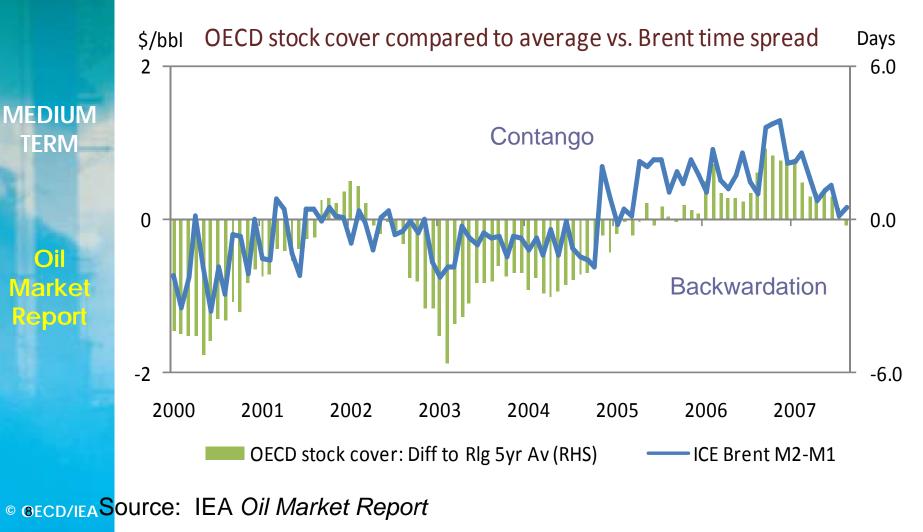
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- OECD forward demand cover fell to 52.8 days in September, below fiveyear average
- European and Pacific cover is particularly low

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# ...pushing structure towards backwardation



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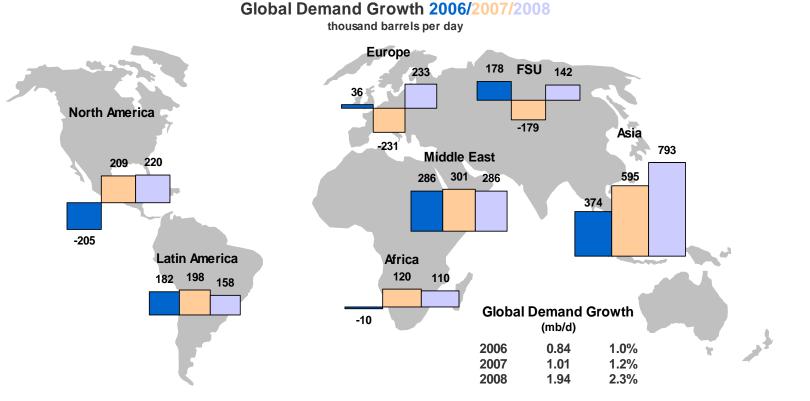
# Demand growth seen in 2008, despite high oil prices



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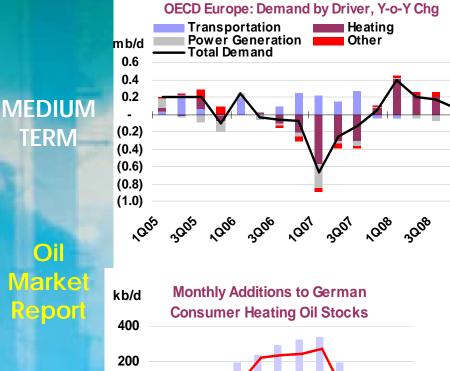


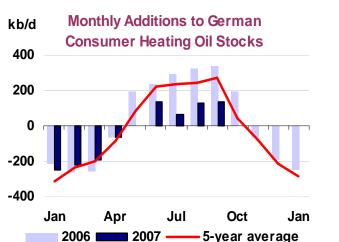
- Growth seen in most major regions
- Non-OECD: Asia demand accounts for 45%, and the Middle East for 18%

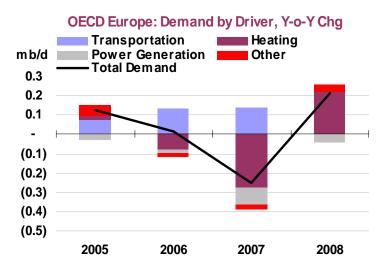


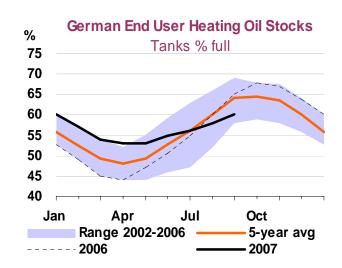
## Price effects starting to show

Europe dominated by weather bounce back







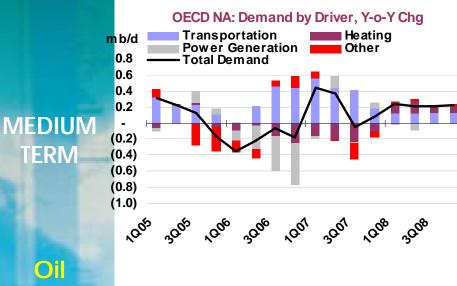


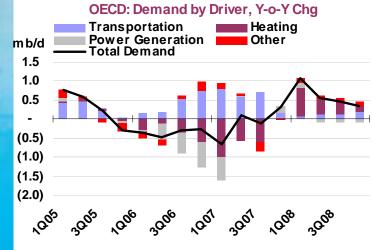
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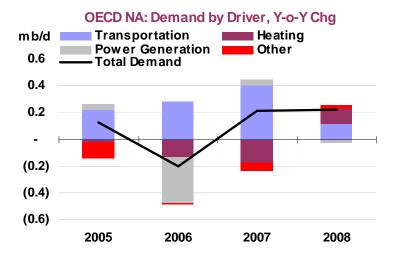
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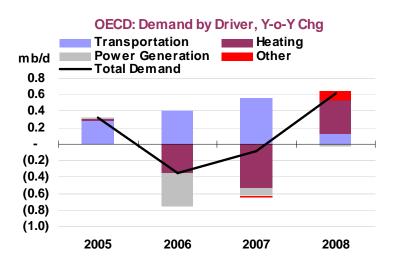


## Transportation growth seen slowing - but needs sustained high prices









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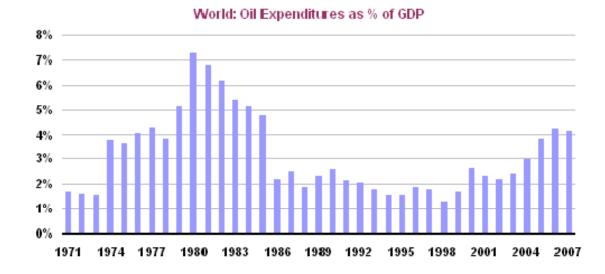
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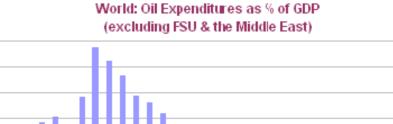
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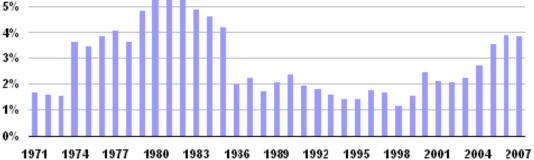
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## Oil expenditures still not as high as 1980s







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7%

6%



## **Circular pressures**

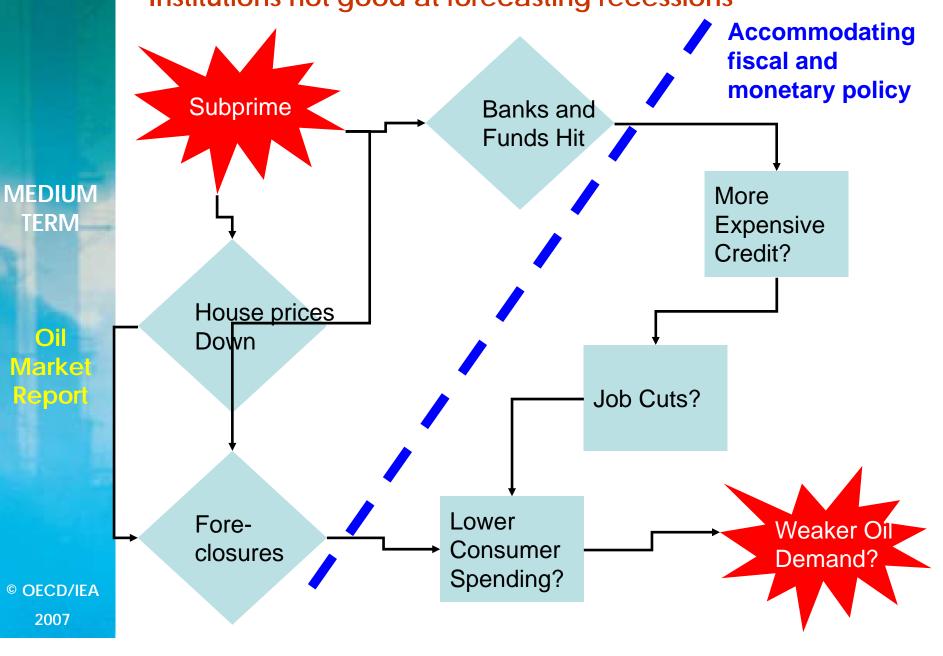
- Lack of structural changes in response to high prices
   Still plenty of SUVs in the car pool
- Behavioural changes shift demand at the margin
  - Driving the small car to the shops
  - Public transport more a convenience than cost issue
- Price response in power generation related to long term price and efficiency benefits, but may not last
  - Tighter gas markets
  - Can't go below zero
- Short-term demand shifts or other changes?
  - Refinery maintenance
  - Secondary and tertiary stock draws
- Where demand has been curbed by behavioural changes in response to high prices, it has the potential to bounce back

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### Economic cycle key for outcome Institutions not good at forecasting recessions





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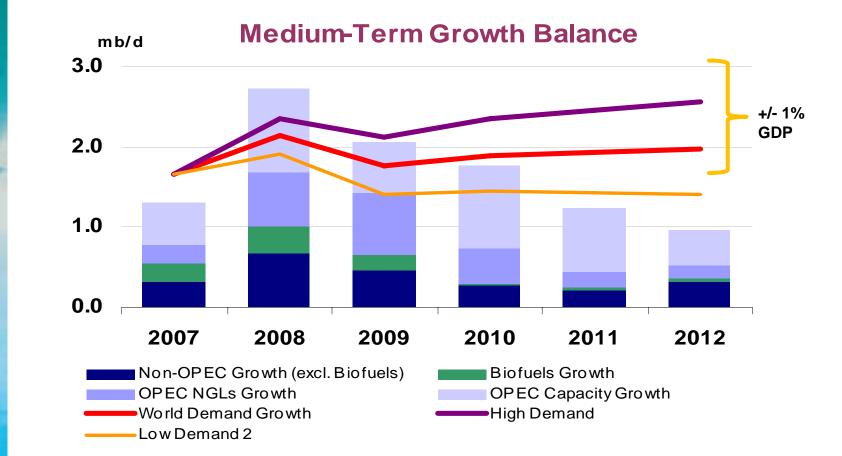
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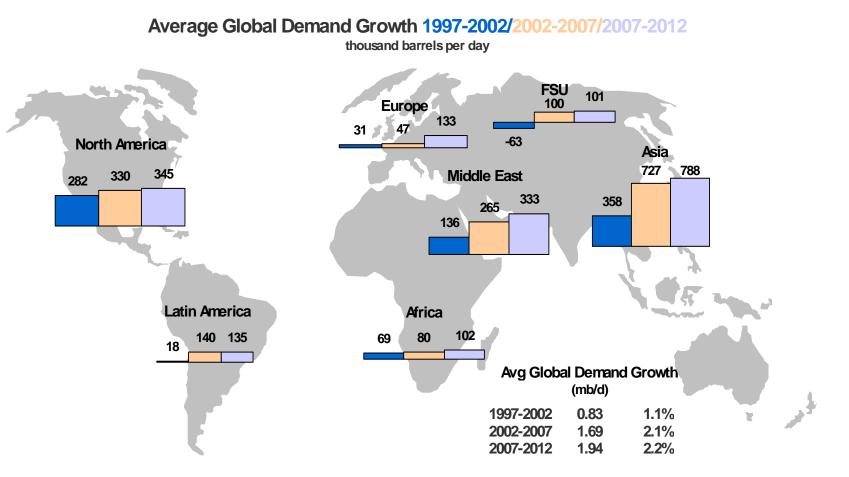
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# Demand more sensitive to growth than prices



- \$50 rise to start to dent US gasoline growth
- Fuel oil switching requires heavy long-term investment

## Demand growth =data uncertainty



- OECD: demand sustained by North America, which will represent 53% of the total by 2012
- Non-OECD: Asia demand will account for 47% and the Middle East for 19% of the total

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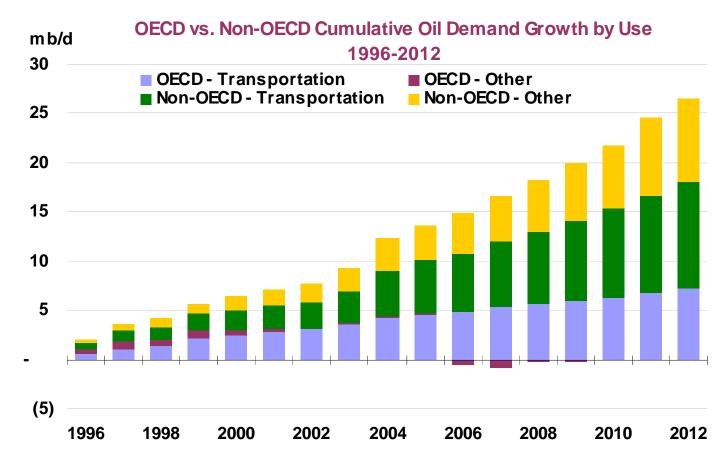
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#### Transport demand dominates growth Ideal market for producers



- Geographical shift: demand growth will come from non-OECD countries – mostly China and the Middle East
- Usage shift: growth will be fuelled by transportation fuels
  - Subsidies in non-OECD countries
  - Dieselisation trend, notably in Europe
  - Limited role for biofuels less than 2% of demand by 2012

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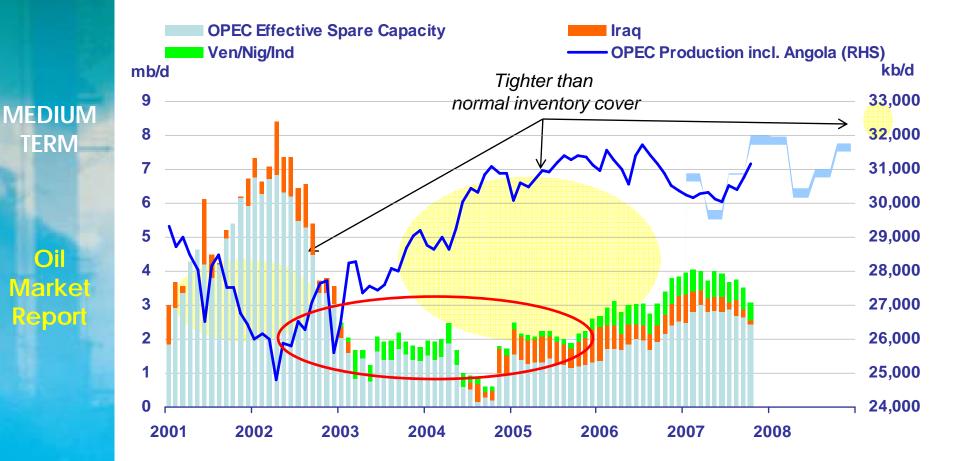
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## Spare production capacity one factor among many in shaping oil prices Inventory & refining flexibility also important



Lack of refinery upgrading capacity further diminishes utility of this sub-2 mb/d buffer

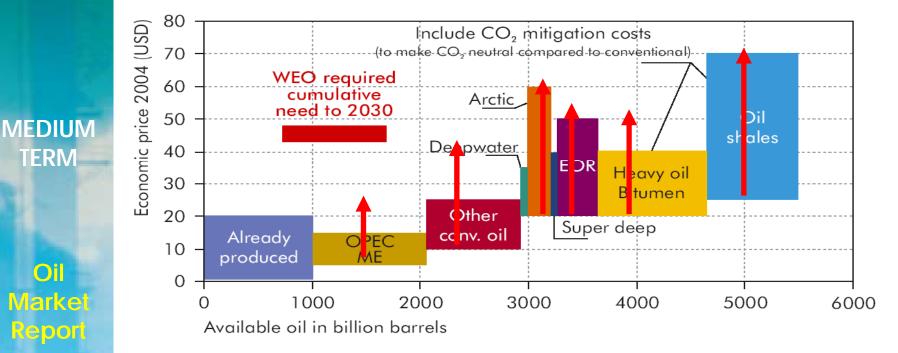
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# Cost inflation dampens investment impact

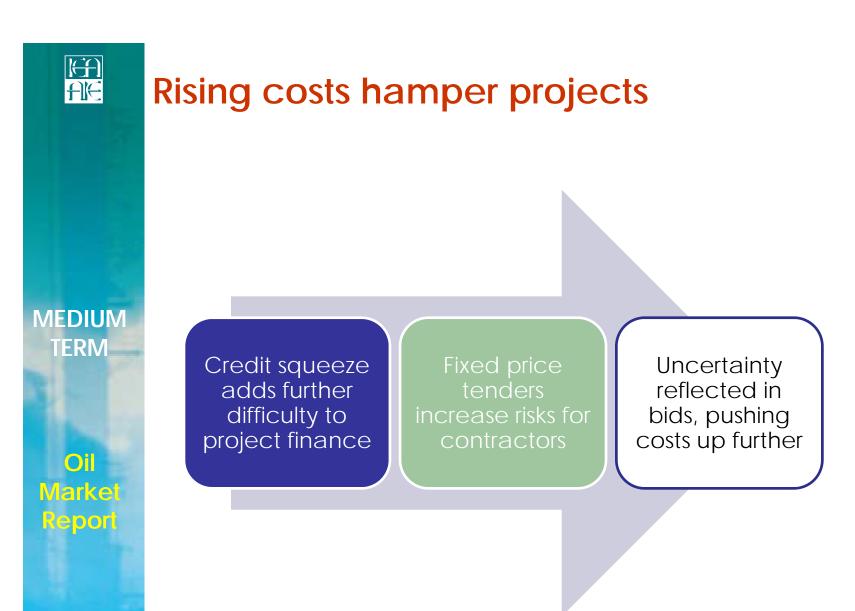
(long-term futures prices remain above \$80)

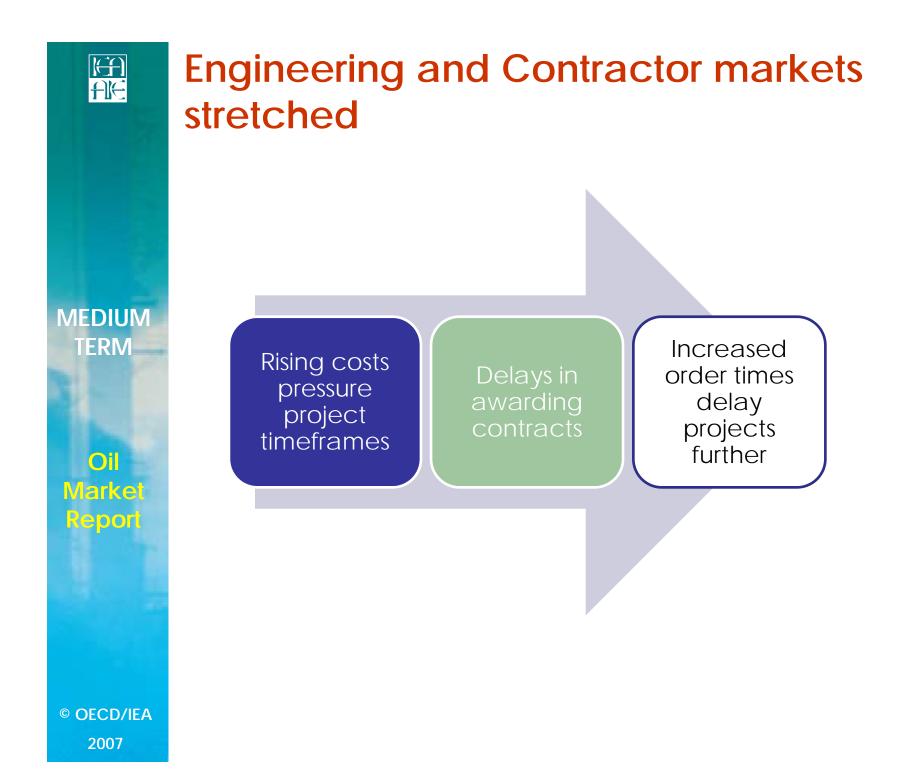


Source: Resources to Reserve, IEA, 2005

- Tight service sector causes further cost inflation
- Call option for speculators/OPEC?
- Marginal cost of non-OPEC production influential when OPEC producing flat out
- When spare capacity exists, price OPEC are willing to keep spare capacity off the market is the key

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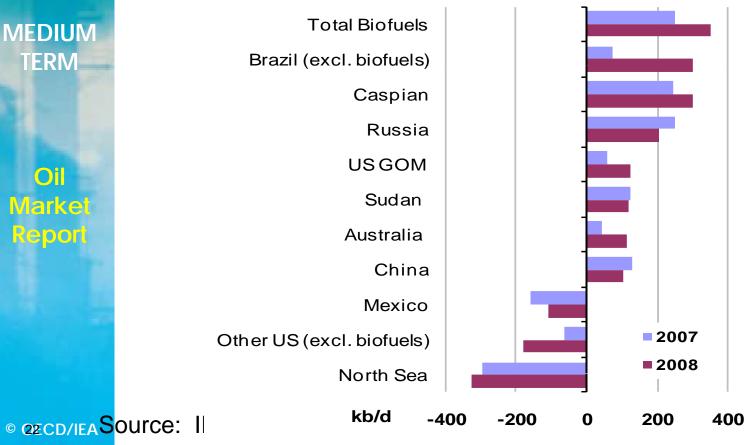






## Despite constraints we still have growth Key non-OPEC supply increments

Key Non-OPEC Supply Increments 2007/08



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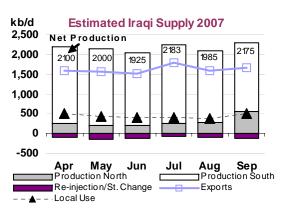


## Geopolitical risks persist for key OPEC producers

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(thousand barrels per day)		
	Current Effective	Mid-Term Potential
Exports via:		
Ceyhan	<100	500
Basrah	1800	2000
Syria	10	300
Jordan	-	100
Basrah-Abadan	-	200
Domestic Crude Use	500	800
	2400	3900

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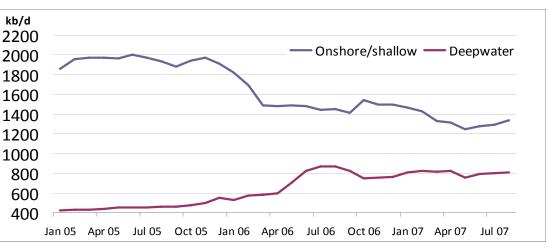


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Markel •550 kb/d of Nigeria outages 2008 recovery possible Political and security ituation remain uncertain Window for repairs short



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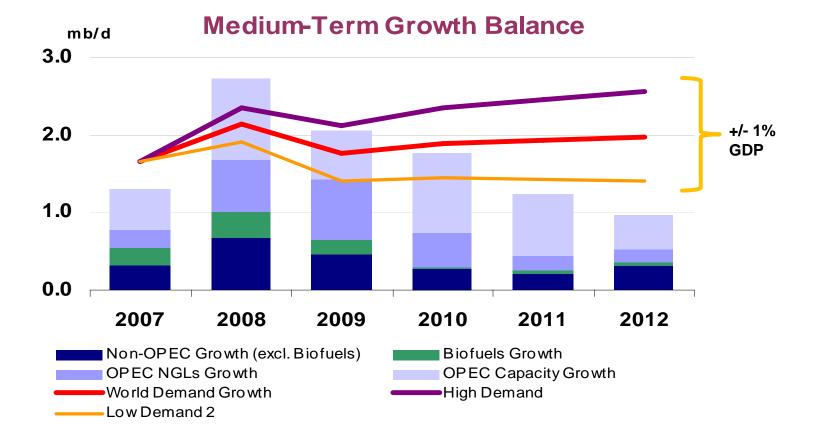
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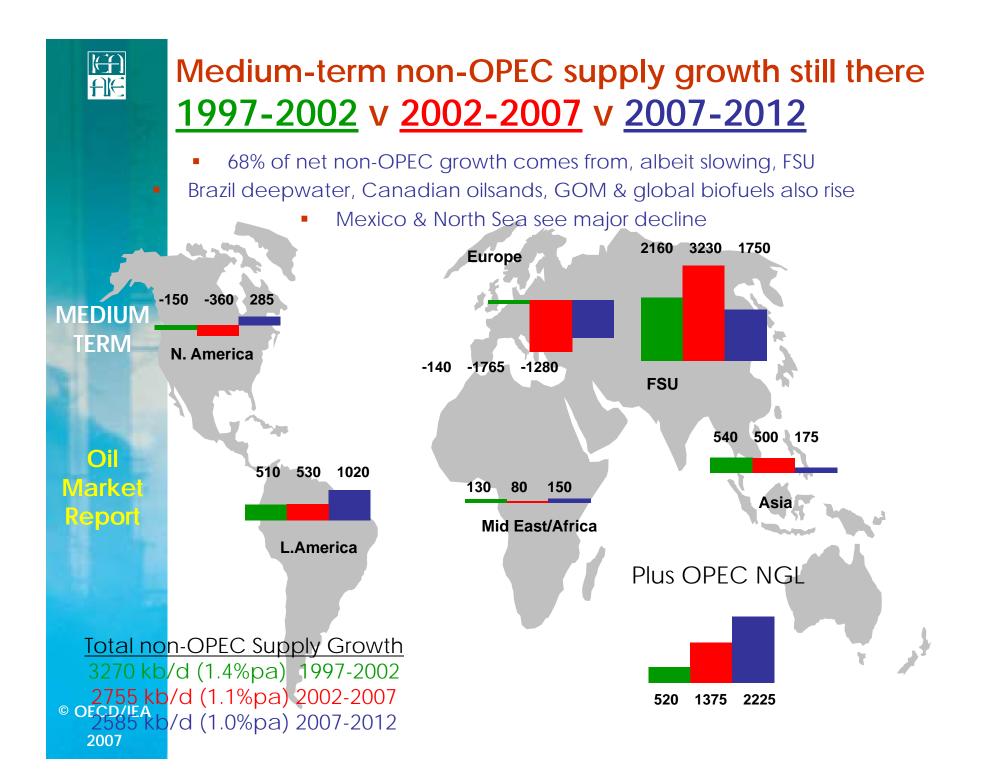
## Supply-side response limited so far

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- Adjusted call on OPEC/stock chg: +5 mb/d by 2012
- OPEC spare capacity to fall from 2.5 ->1.5 mb/d

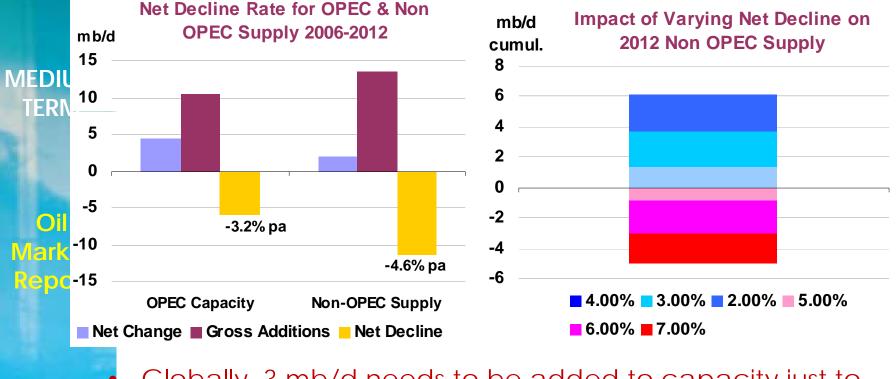






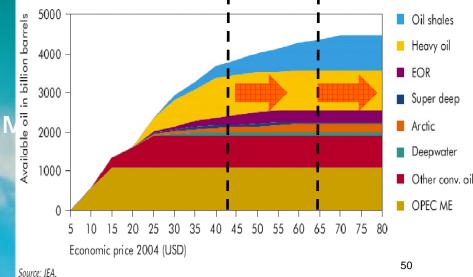
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### Non-OPEC *net* decline averages 4.6% pa a hugely important supply variable



- Globally, 3 mb/d needs to be added to capacity just to keep production steady
- Sensitivity on non-OPEC side is the difference between an OPEC call of 31, 37 or 42 mb/d in 2012

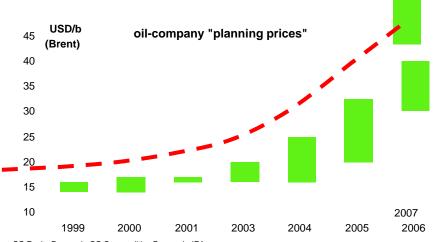
## NO IMMINENT RESOURCE SCARCITY: but supply response to high prices is slow



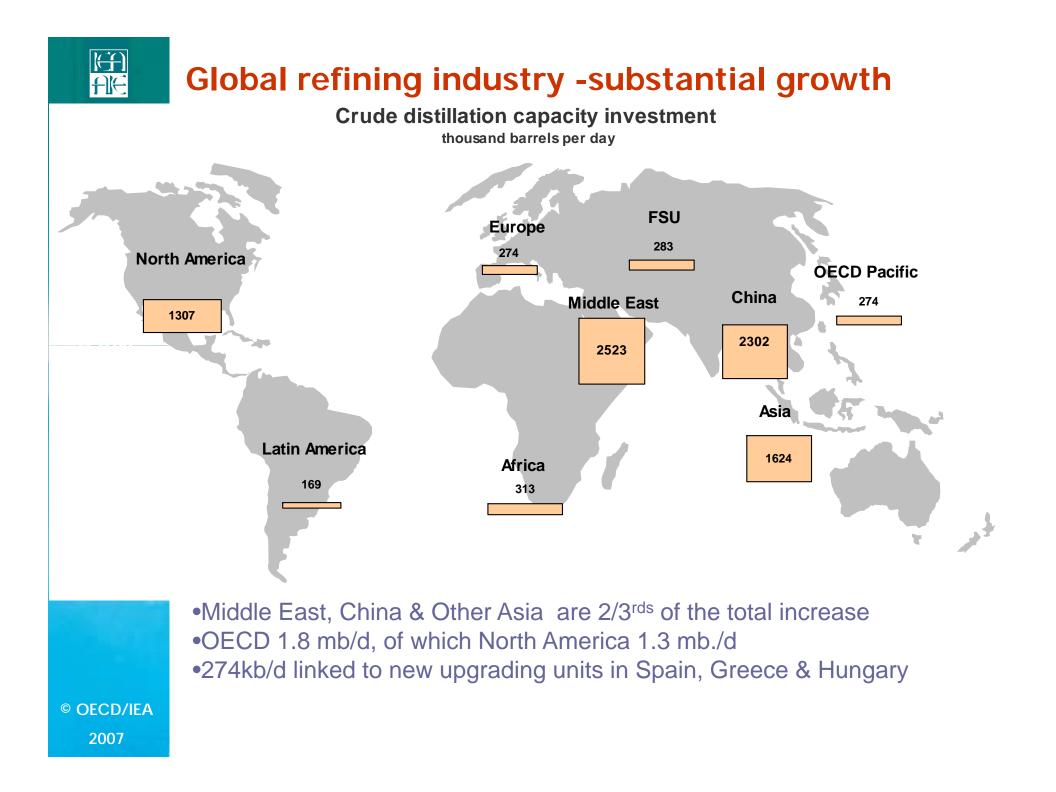
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But access constraints, industry bottlenecks, financial factors & competing calls on capital... ...curbing price elasticity of supply Delays are endemic Company planning prices rising... ...partly reflecting higher cost base

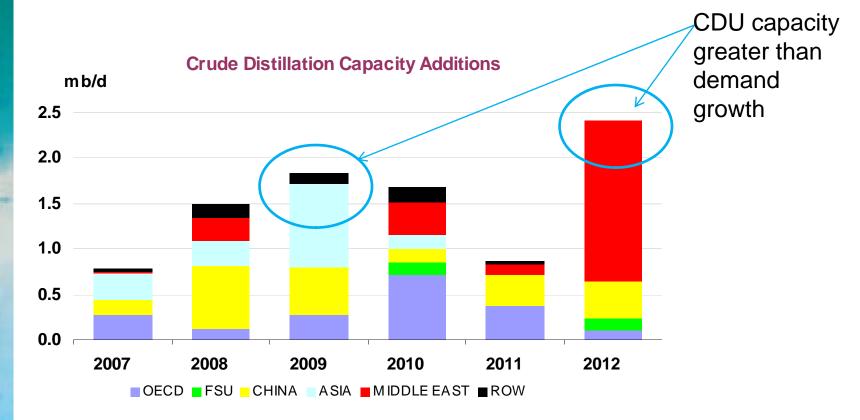


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## Strategic investment drives growth

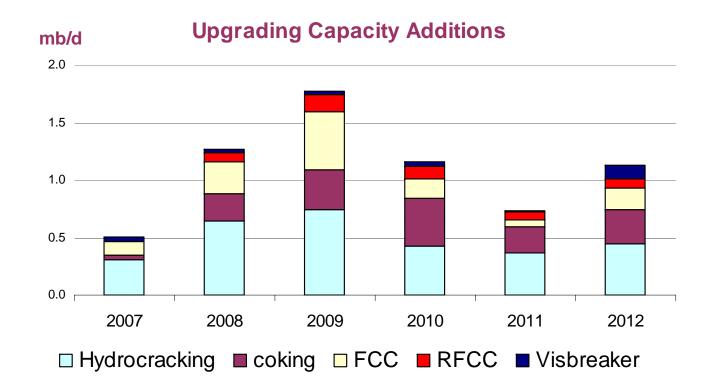


Growth is largely reliant on a few key countries
Cost pressures continue to affect investment economics and timing
Large proportion of projects vulnerable to margin cycle and future returns

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## Upgrading investment adds flexibility



Global refining system will benefit from addition of further upgrading capacity
This will boost heavy sour crude processing ability

•Expansion focused on the addition of hydrocracking and coking capacity

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## Conclusion

- Prices may be starting to impact OECD transportation demand
  - But expenditure not back to the highs of the 1980s
  - > Economic growth to continue to drive demand, particularly in Asia and Middle East
- Demand-side data uncertainties
  - Lack of data reporting from key countries
    - JODI making strong inroads
    - Still lack of stock data
  - Medium-term projections show lack of cyclical activity
  - Price
    - Policy shifts, geopolitics

Lack of supply side response (so far) to high oil prices

Cost inflation, service sector constraints, access, lagged company planning prices

#### Supply-side data uncertainties

- Lack of internationally adopted standards for reporting/classification
- Political reporting of reserve and production levels
- Lack of field-by-field data for key producing countries
- Segregation and conversion factors
- Biofuels production reporting: still in its infancy

#### Supplies currently being constrained by OPEC

- Price does not reflect marginal cost of supply
- Spare capacity usable
- Considerable investment in refinery capacity
  - New capacity and upgrading
  - But investment sensitive to cost overruns
- Bar recession, little reason to expect oil prices to return to pre-2004 prices

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