

# The Changing Energy Landscape

## From Fossil and Nuclear to Renewable Energy

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# Bundesverband Erneuerbare Energie e.V.

German Renewable Energy Federation

- Umbrella organisation of the RES-associations since 1991
- Task and mission: Political consulting → stable and reliable framework conditions for RES
- 20 Member associations:  
hydro, wind, solar, biomass, and geothermal energy.
- Representing  
> 30,000 members, including > 5,000 enterprises.
- Parliamentary board:  
all Bundestag-Parties represented → link to politics.

# Energy Sources of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century



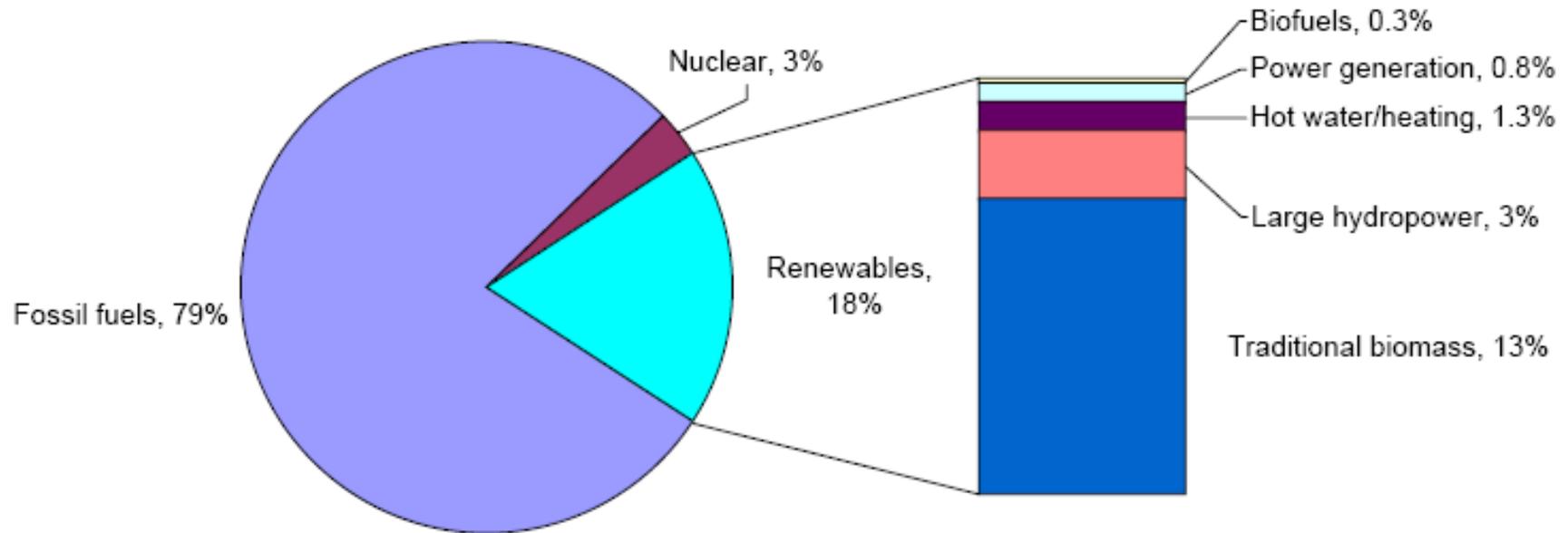
- Coal, oil and gas have been the dominant sources of energy of the 20<sup>th</sup> century - and of greenhouse gas emissions accelerating global warming.
- Nuclear became a major source of electricity in the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century - and of unsolved problems: waste disposal, proliferation risk and catastrophic accidents.

# Challenges for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

- Renewable sources offer unlimited potential for sustainable and secure energy supply - and for reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and mitigation of global warming.
- Transition from fossil and nuclear sources is necessary and possible within a few decades, without any energy gap - if we manage to remove the global policy gap.

# RES in Global Final Energy Consumption

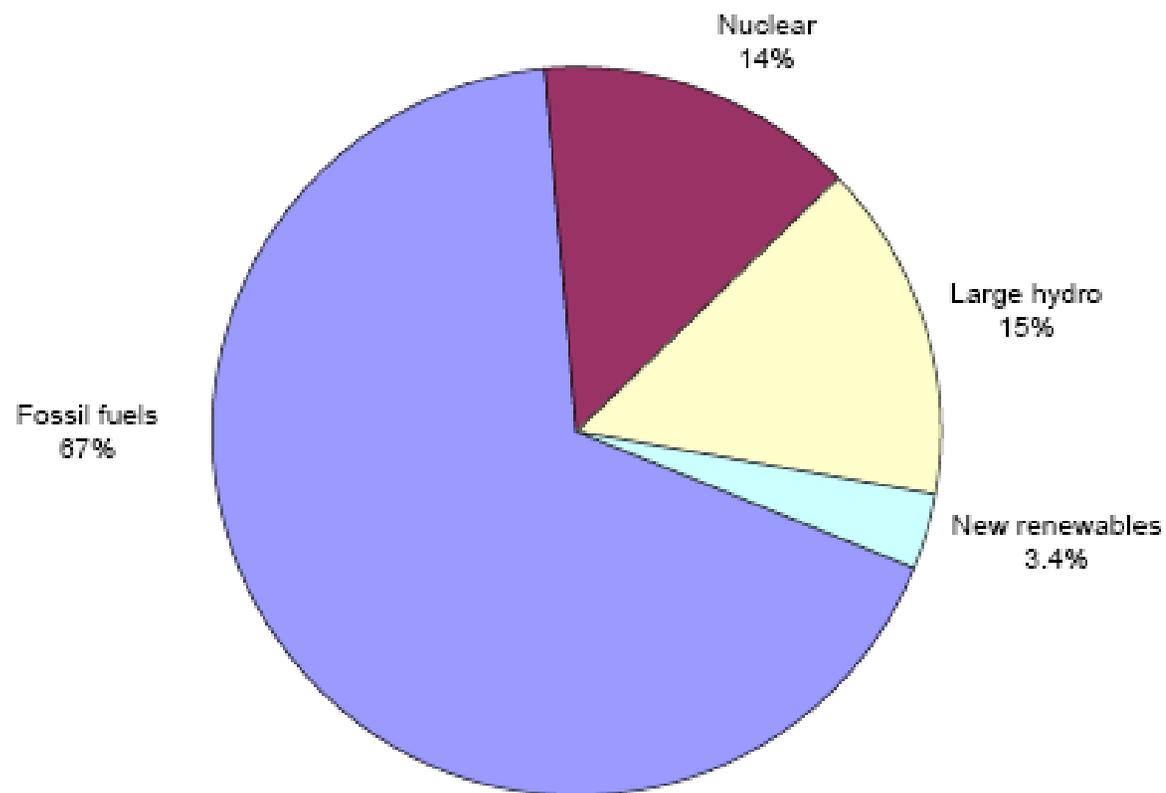
Figure 1. Renewable Energy Share of Global Final Energy Consumption, 2006



# The World in 2007: RES in Global Electricity Consumption



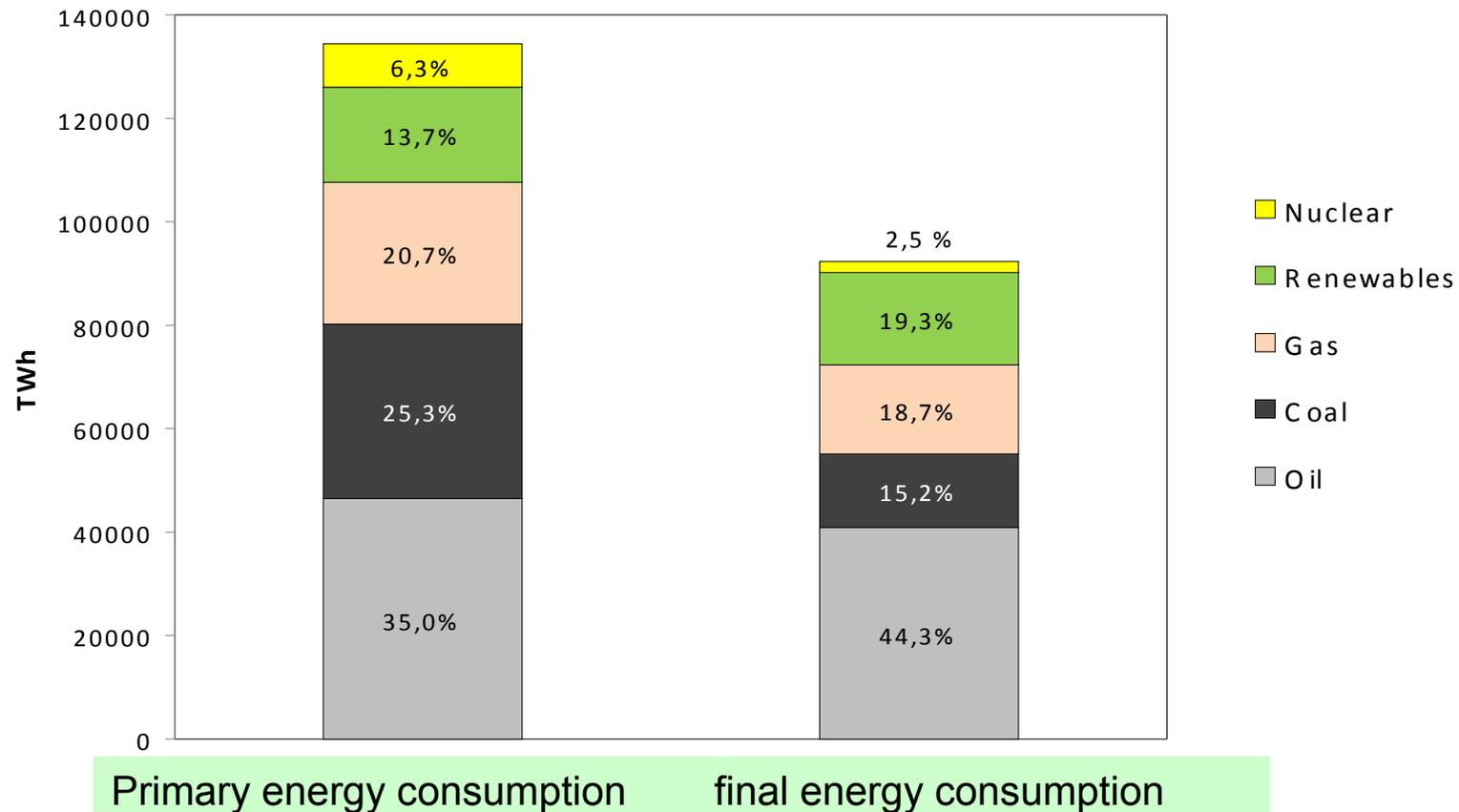
Figure 2. Share of Global Electricity from Renewable Energy, 2006



Source: REN21 Renewables 2007 Global Status Report, [www.ren21.net](http://www.ren21.net)

# Renewables in final energy consumption:

more important than nuclear, gas and coal

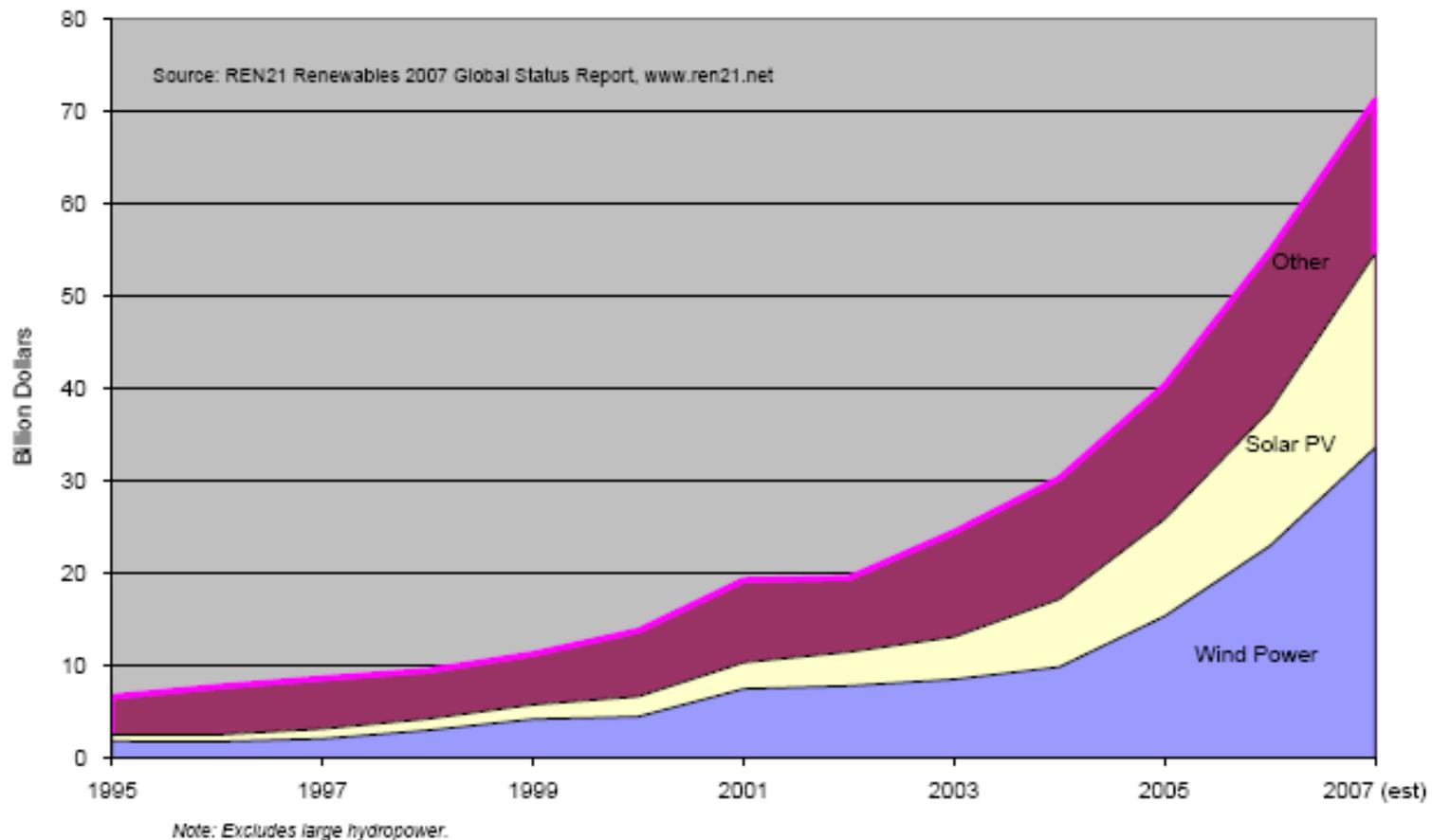


Source: IEA 2007: world in 2006

# Strong Growth of Investment in RE



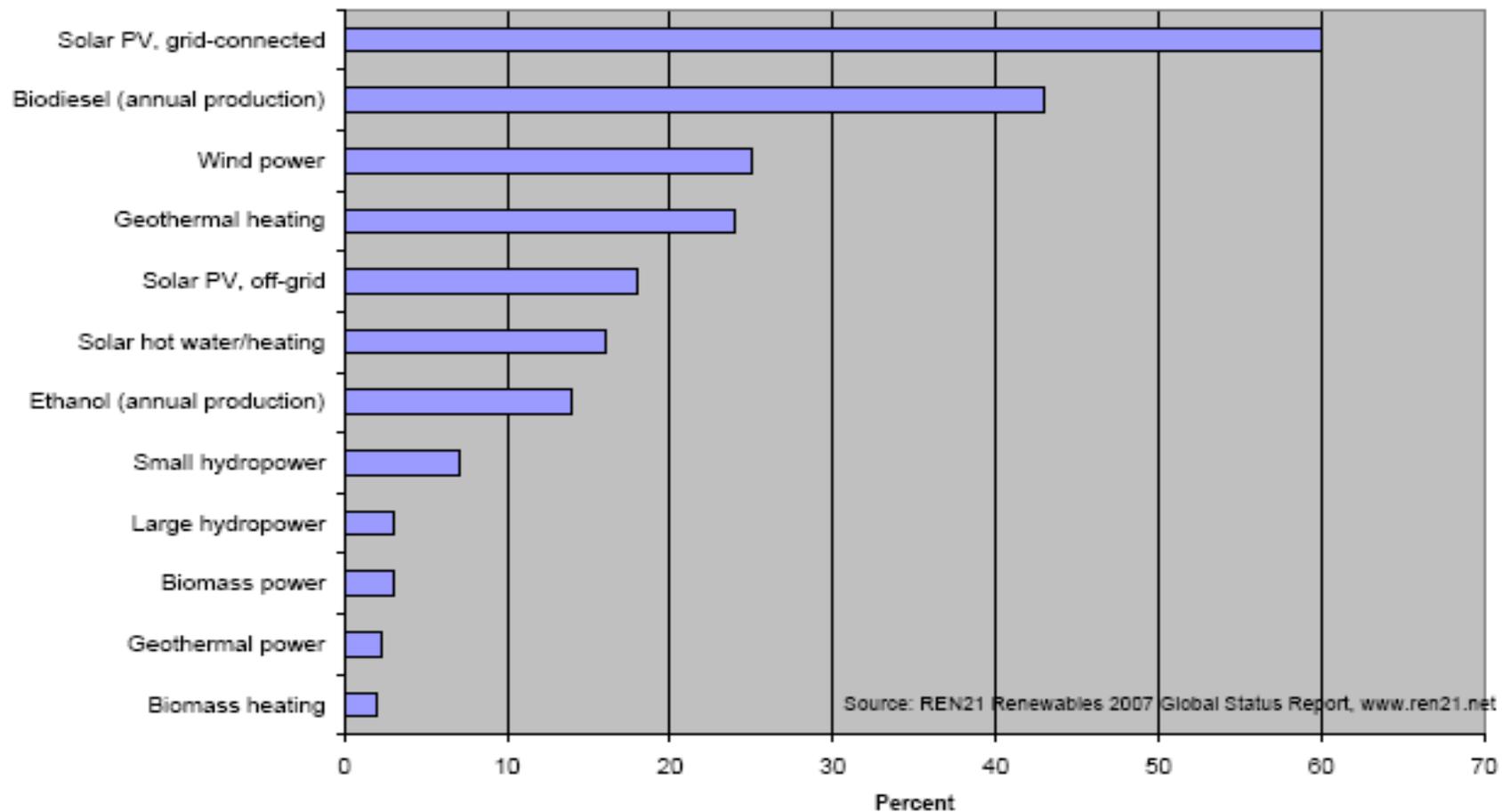
Figure 11. Annual Investment in New Renewable Energy Capacity, 1995–2007



# Growth of Different Technologies



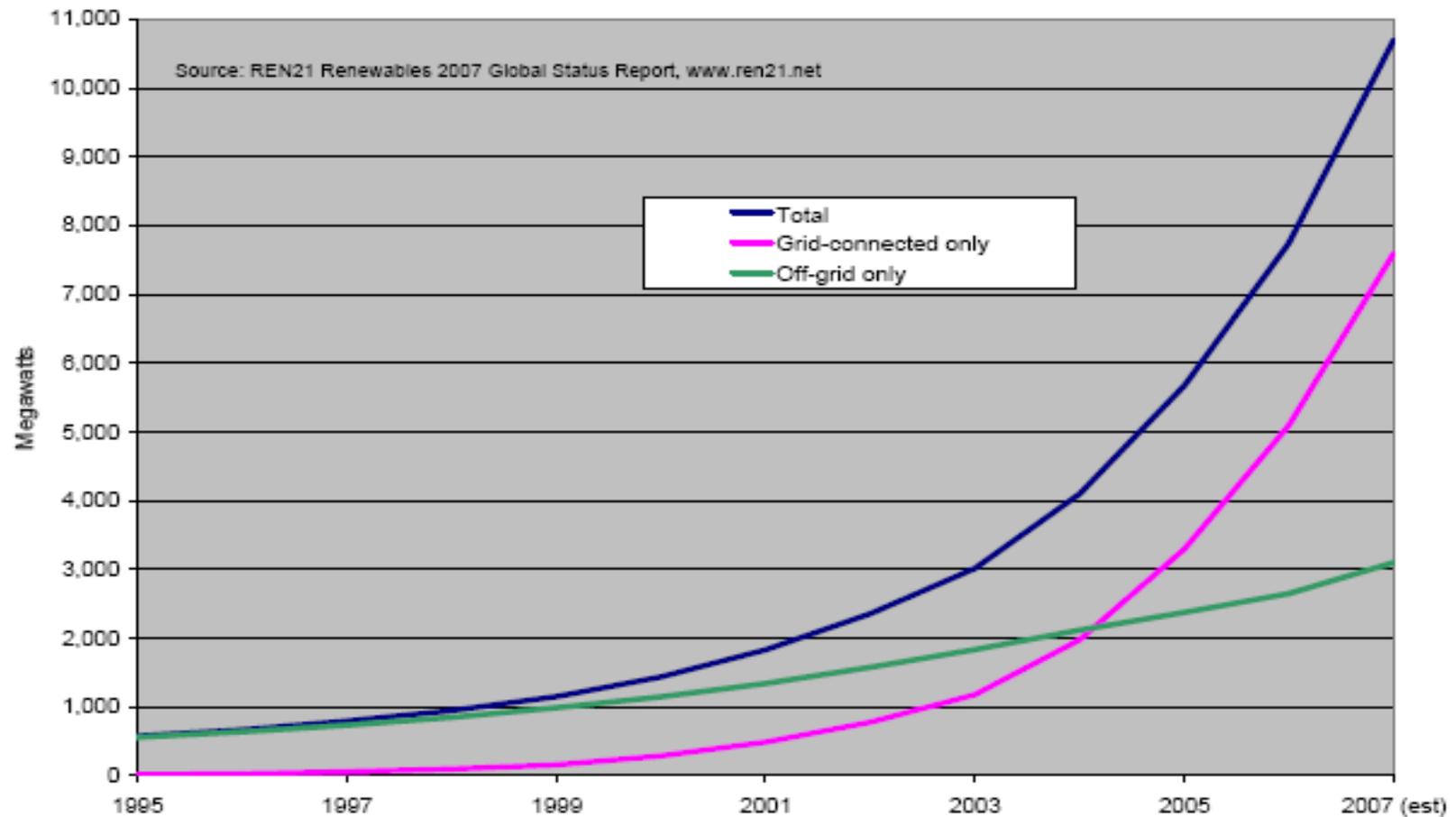
Figure 3. Average Annual Growth Rates of Renewable Energy Capacity, 2002–2006



# Growing Global Solar PV Market



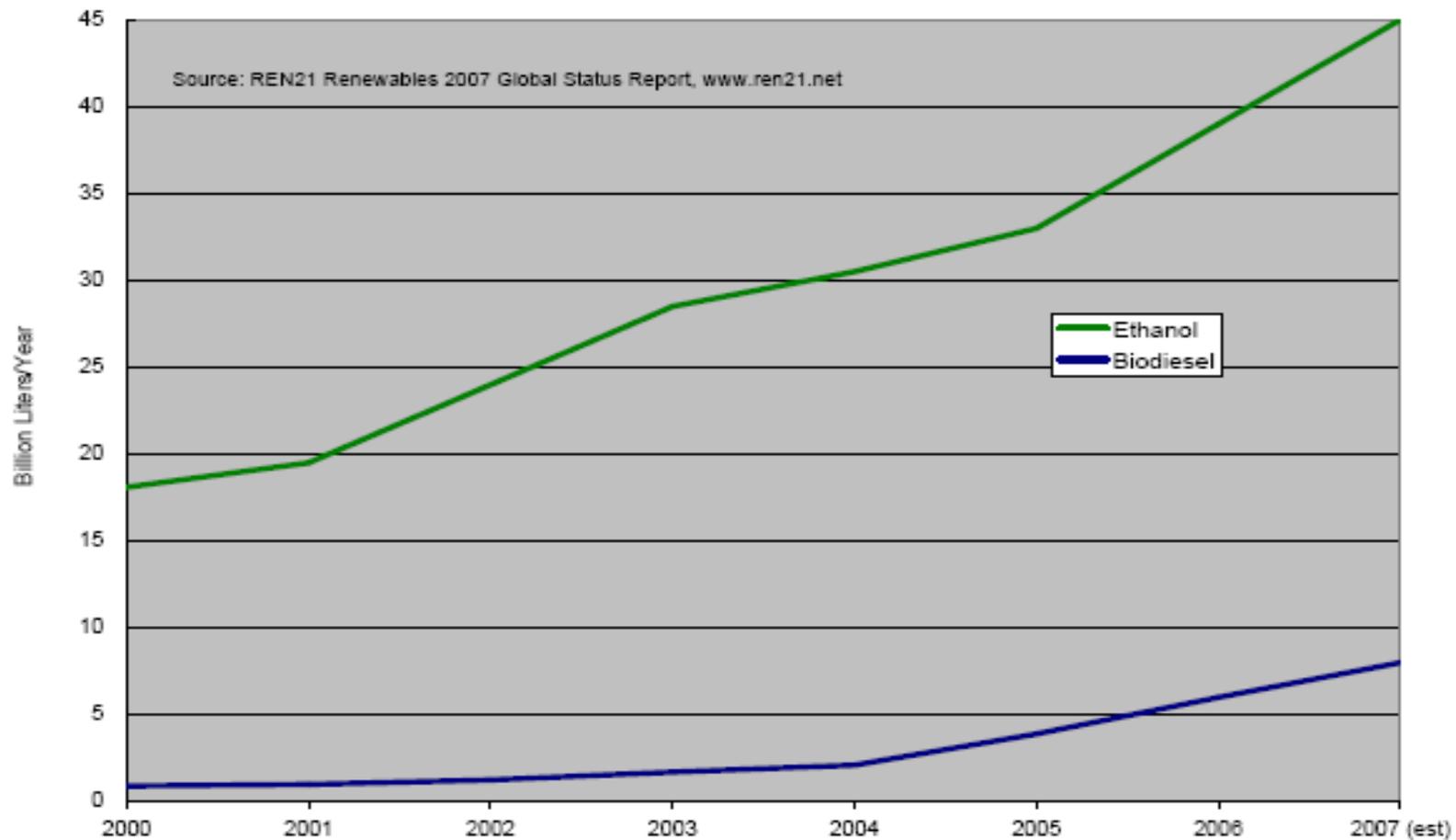
Figure 6. Solar PV, Existing World Capacity, 1995–2007



# Growing Global Biofuels Market

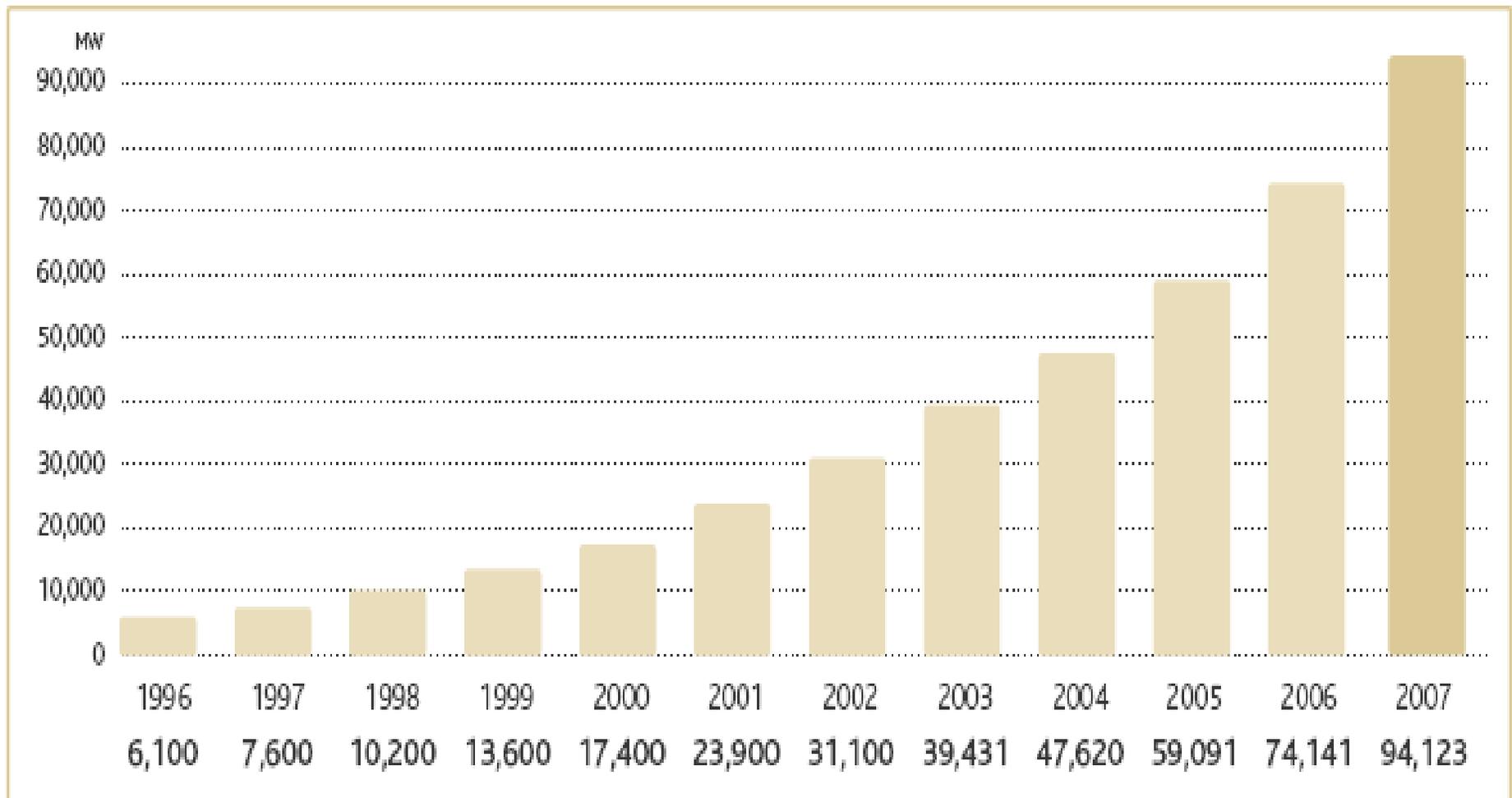


Figure 10. Ethanol and Biodiesel Production, 2000–2007



# Growing Global Wind Market - cumulated

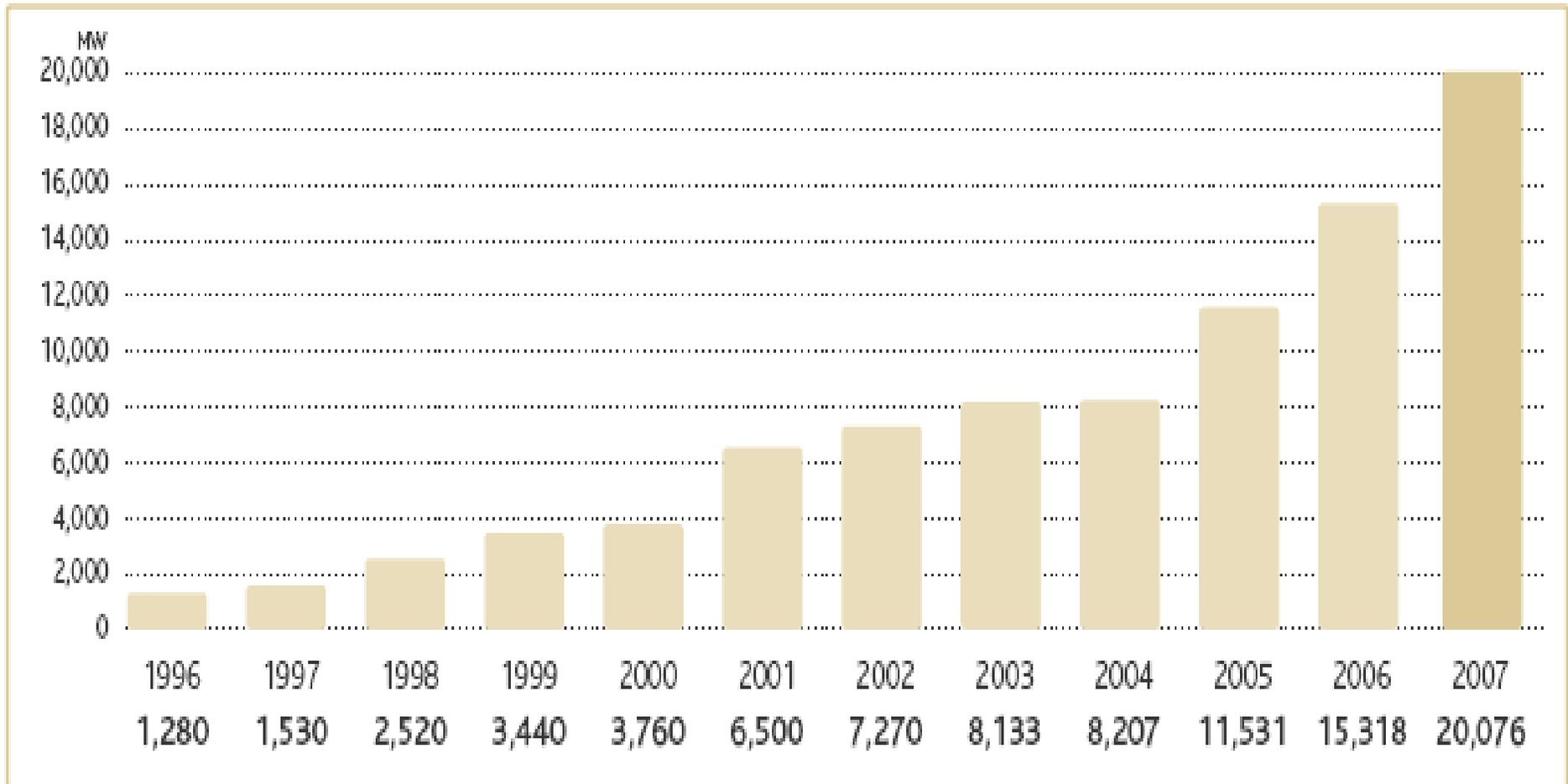
GLOBAL CUMULATIVE INSTALLED CAPACITY 1996-2007



Source: Global Wind 2007 Report

# Growing Global Wind Market - annual

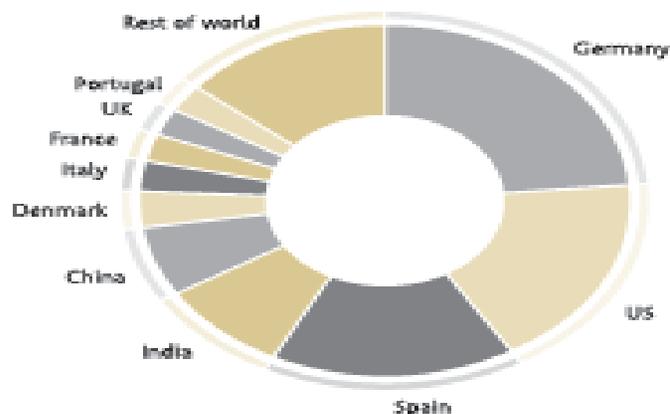
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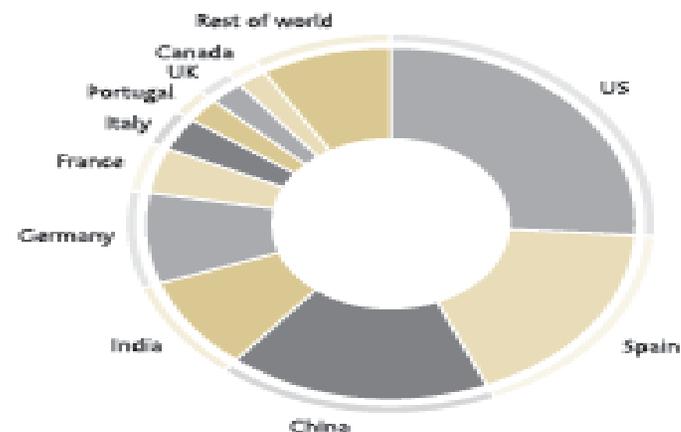
# Regional Shares in Global Wind Market

TOP 10 TOTAL INSTALLED CAPACITY



	MW	%
Germany	22,247	23.6
US	16,818	17.9
Spain	15,145	16.1
India	8,000	8.5
China	6,050	6.4
Denmark	3,125	3.3
Italy	2,726	2.9
France	2,454	2.6
UK	2,389	2.5
Portugal	2,150	2.3
Rest of world	13,019	13.8
<b>Total top 10</b>	<b>81,104</b>	<b>86.2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>94,123</b>	<b>100.0</b>

TOP 10 NEW CAPACITY



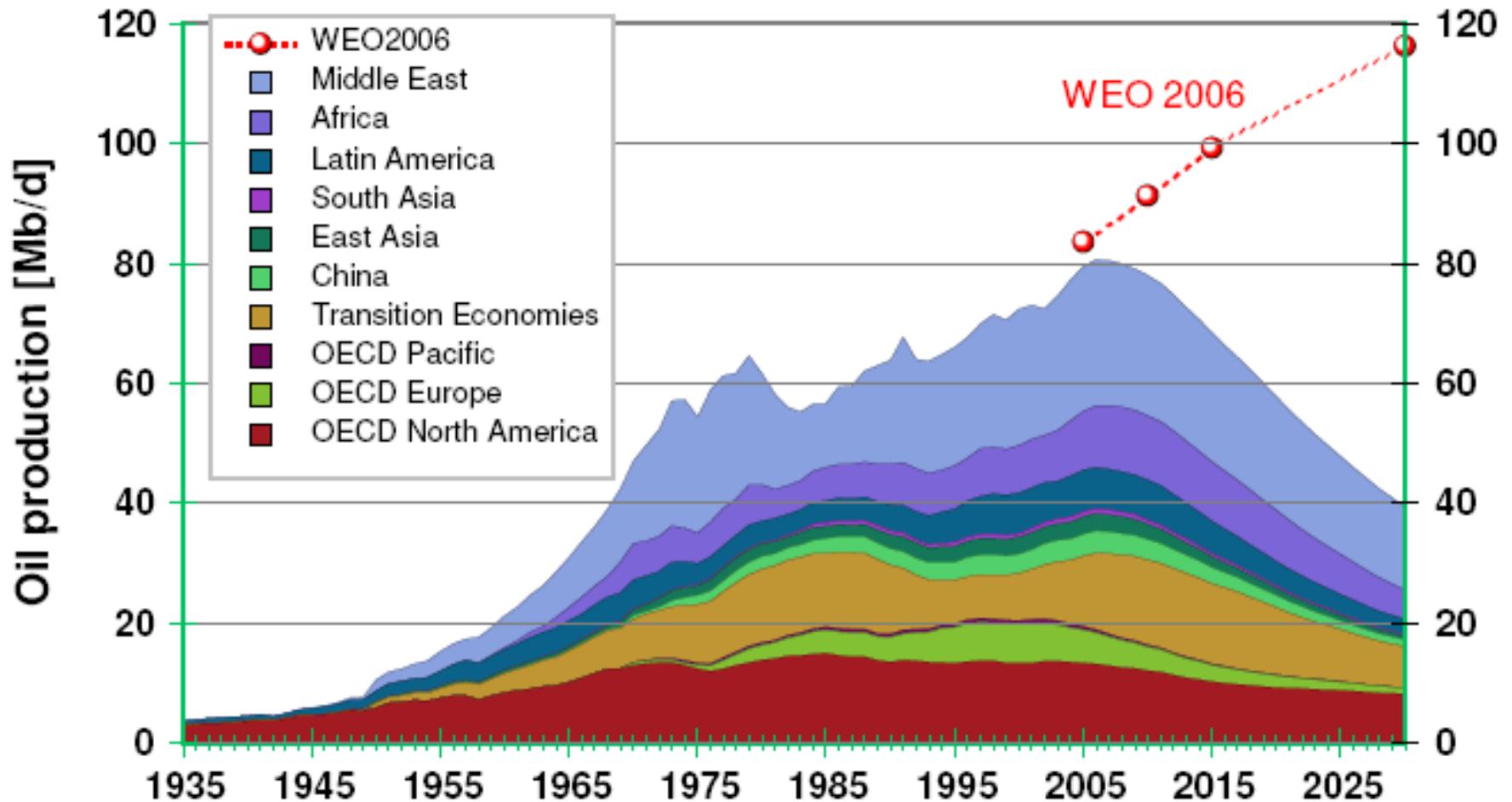
	MW	%
US	5,244	26.1
Spain	3,522	17.5
China	3,449	17.2
India	1,730	8.6
Germany	1,667	8.3
France	888	4.4
Italy	603	3.0
Portugal	434	2.2
UK	427	2.1
Canada	386	1.9
Rest of world	1,726	8.6
<b>Total top 10</b>	<b>18,350</b>	<b>91.4</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,076</b>	<b>100.0</b>

# Fossil and Nuclear Fuels will fade away

- Coal, oil, gas and uranium will peak in the next decades and then rapidly decline.
- Prices for fossil and nuclear fuels will rise due to scarcity but also due to political risks.
- Renewable energies will be competitive soon. They are already competitive today, if external costs are included in the price.

# The Oil Gap will increase

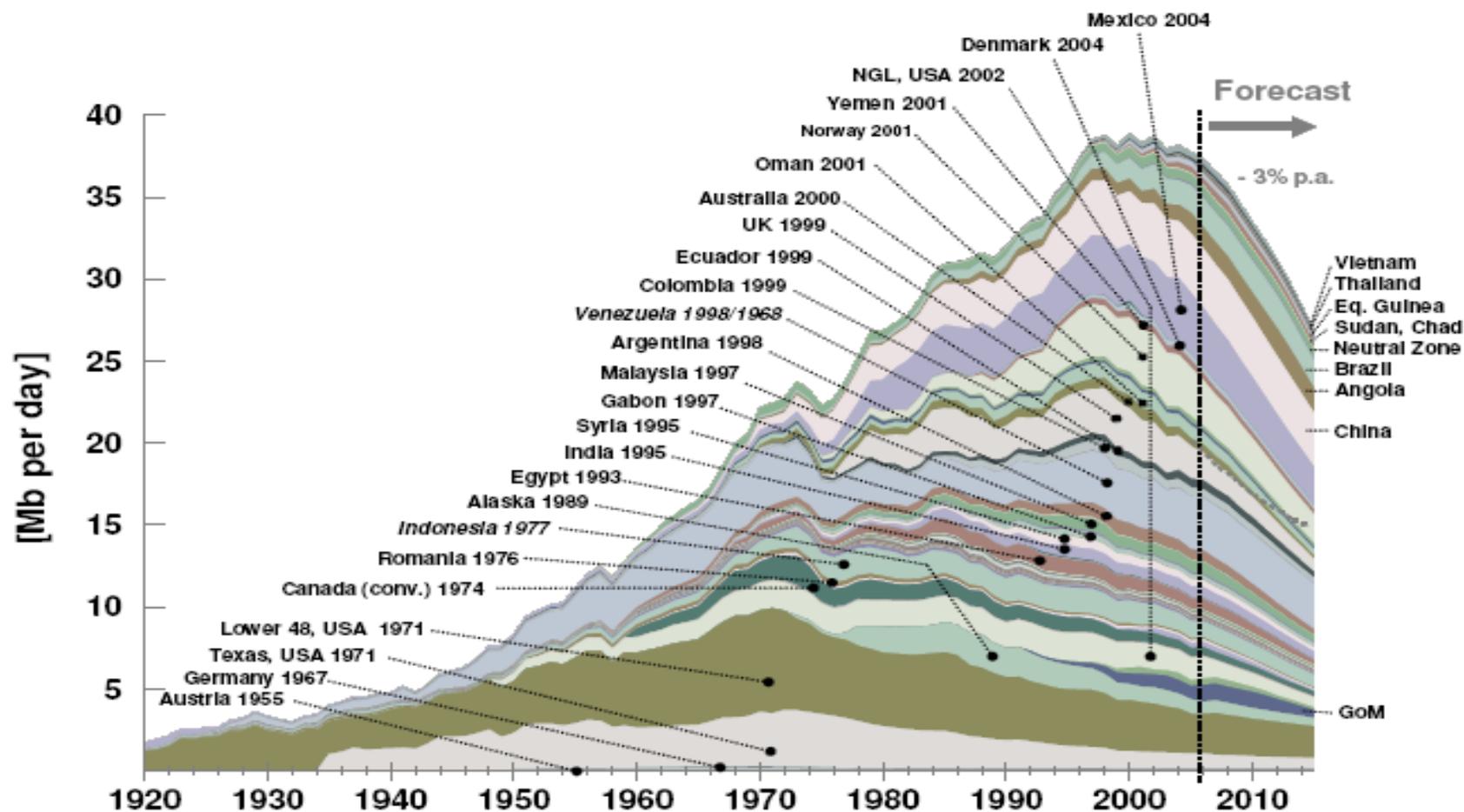
Figure 7: Oil production world summary



Source: EnergyWatchGroup: Oil Report, October 2007

# Peak oil: a matter of fact

Figure 5: Oil producing countries past peak



Ludwig-Bölkow-Systemtechnik GmbH, 2007

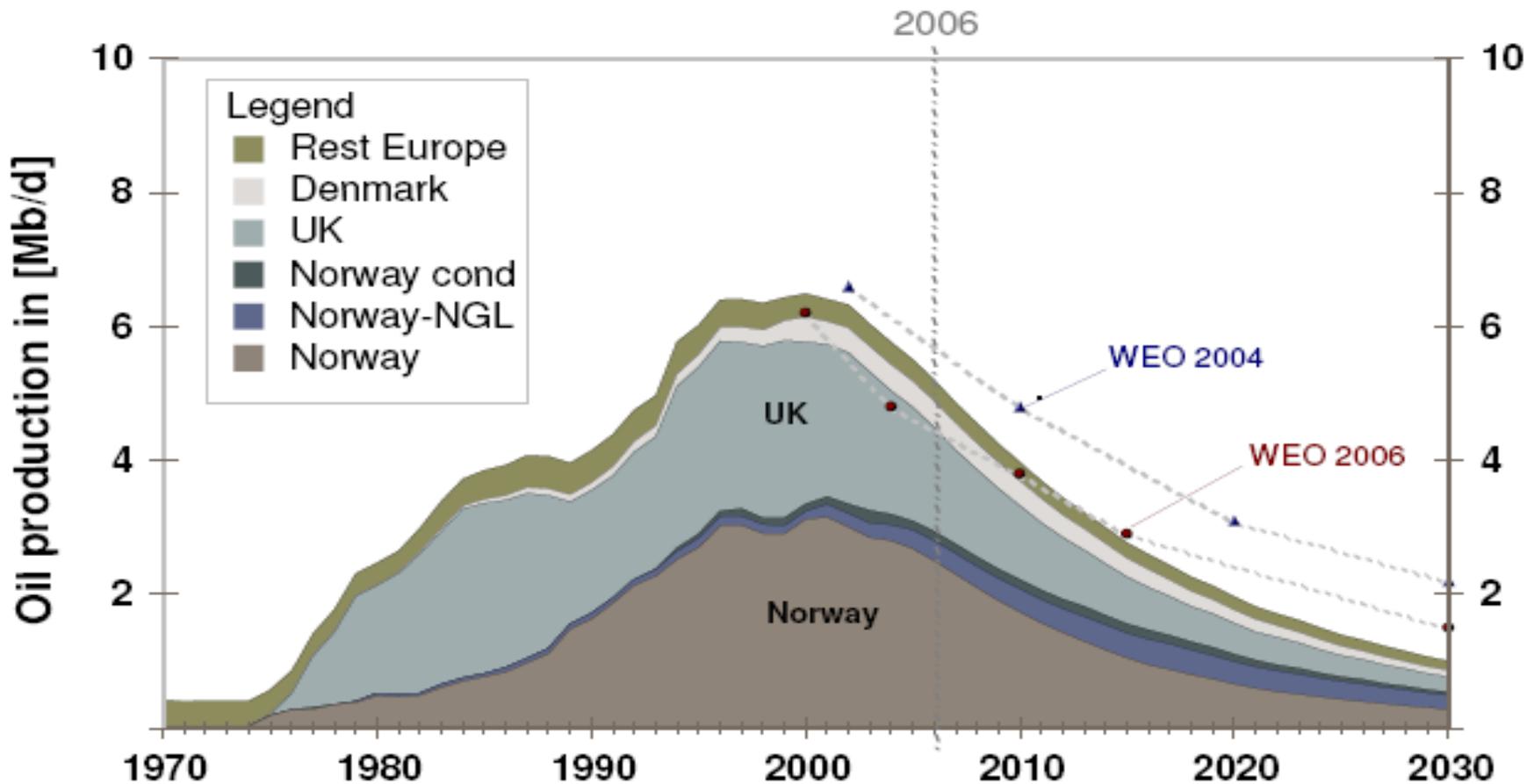
Source: IHS 2006; PEMEX, petrobras ; NPD, DTI, ENS(Dk), NEB, RRC, US-EIA, January 2007

Forecast: LBST estimate, 25 January 2007

# Peak oil: Europe

## OECD Europe

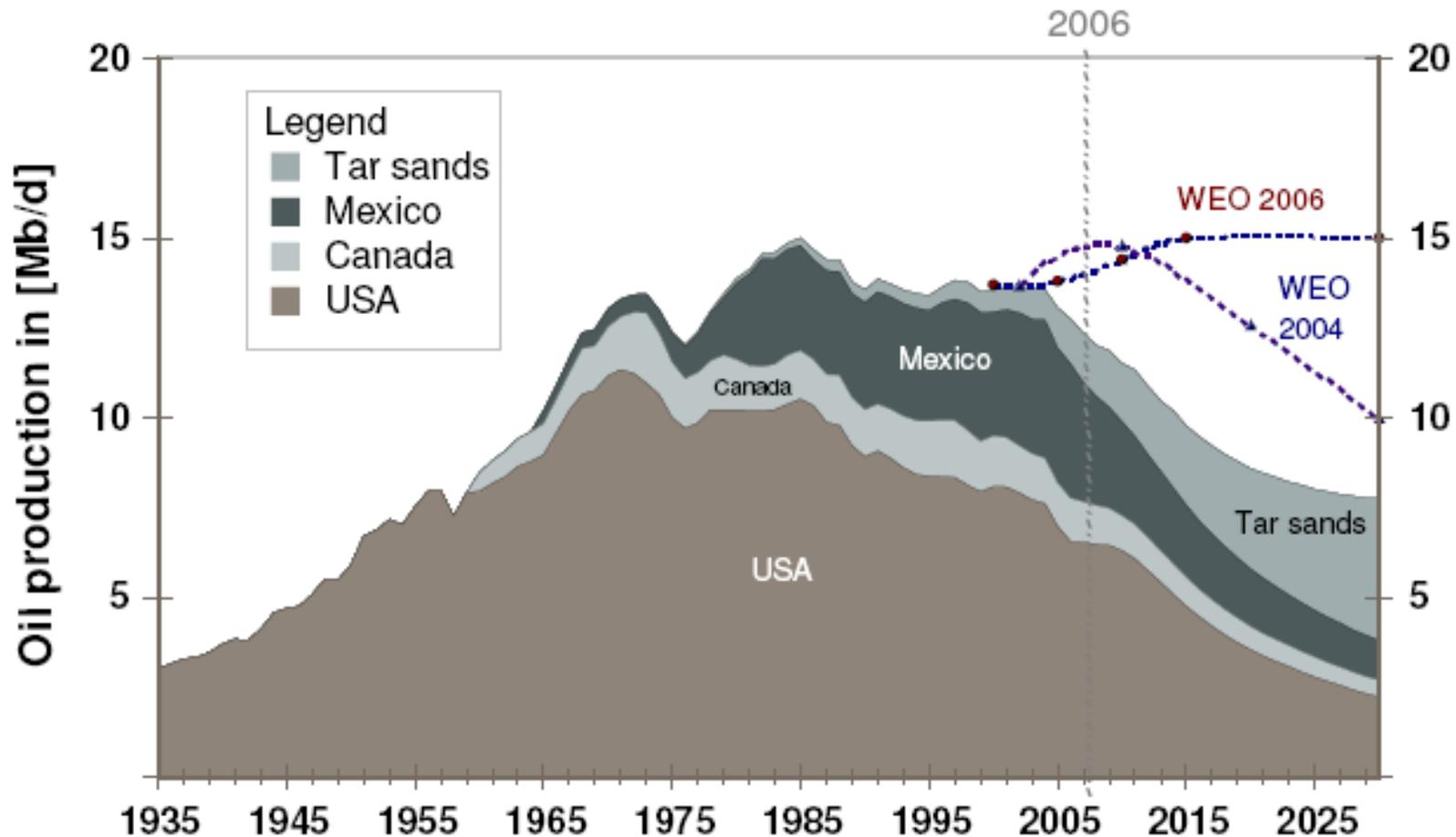
Figure 8: Oil production in OECD Europe



Source: EnergyWatchGroup: Oil Report, October 2007

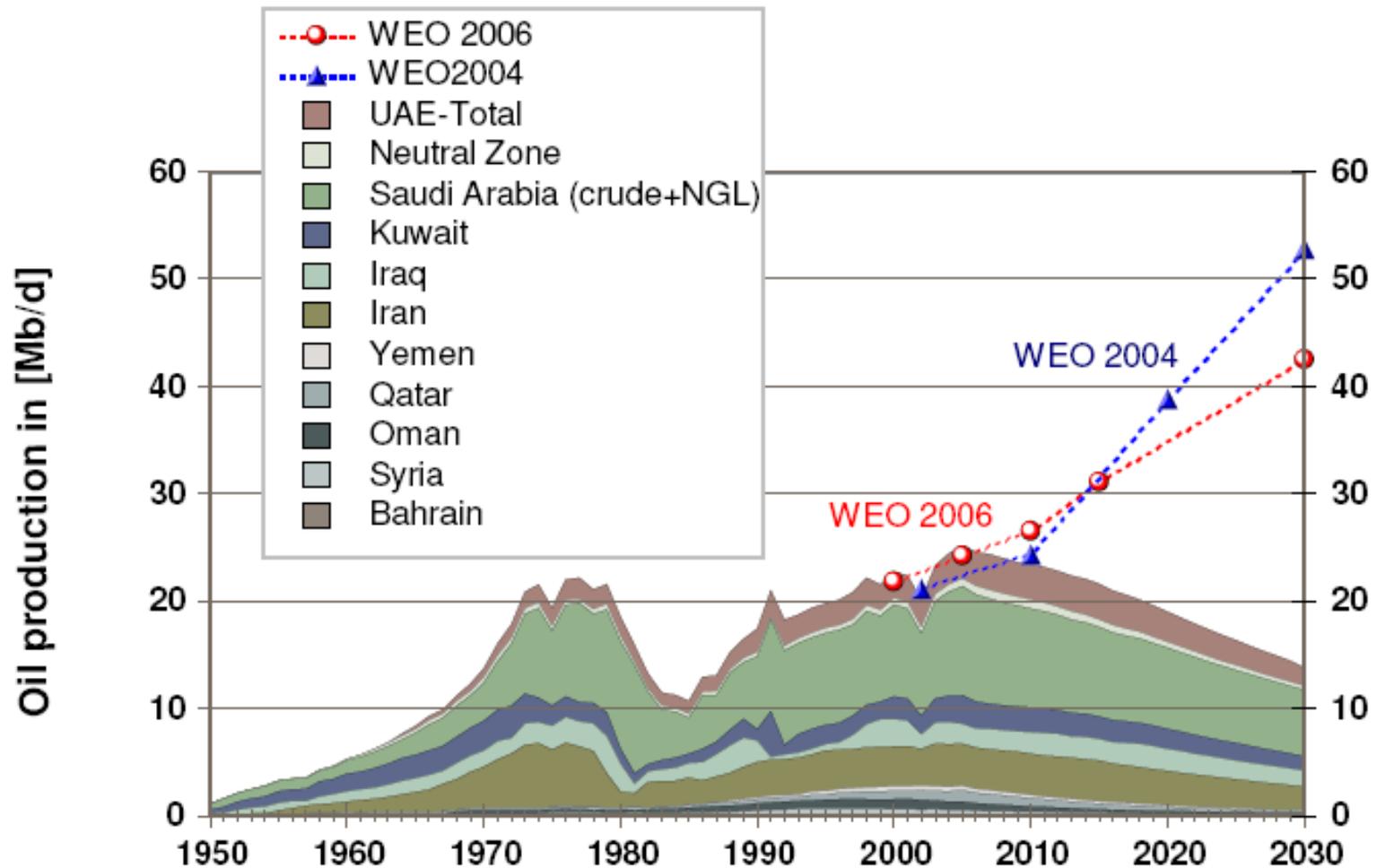
# Peak oil: North America

Figure 9: Oil production in OECD North America



# Peak oil: Middle East

Figure 10: Oil production in the Middle East



# Soaring Oil Prices

→ Further Increase of Import Costs



- Tageskurs in USD
- 38-Tage
- 200-Tage

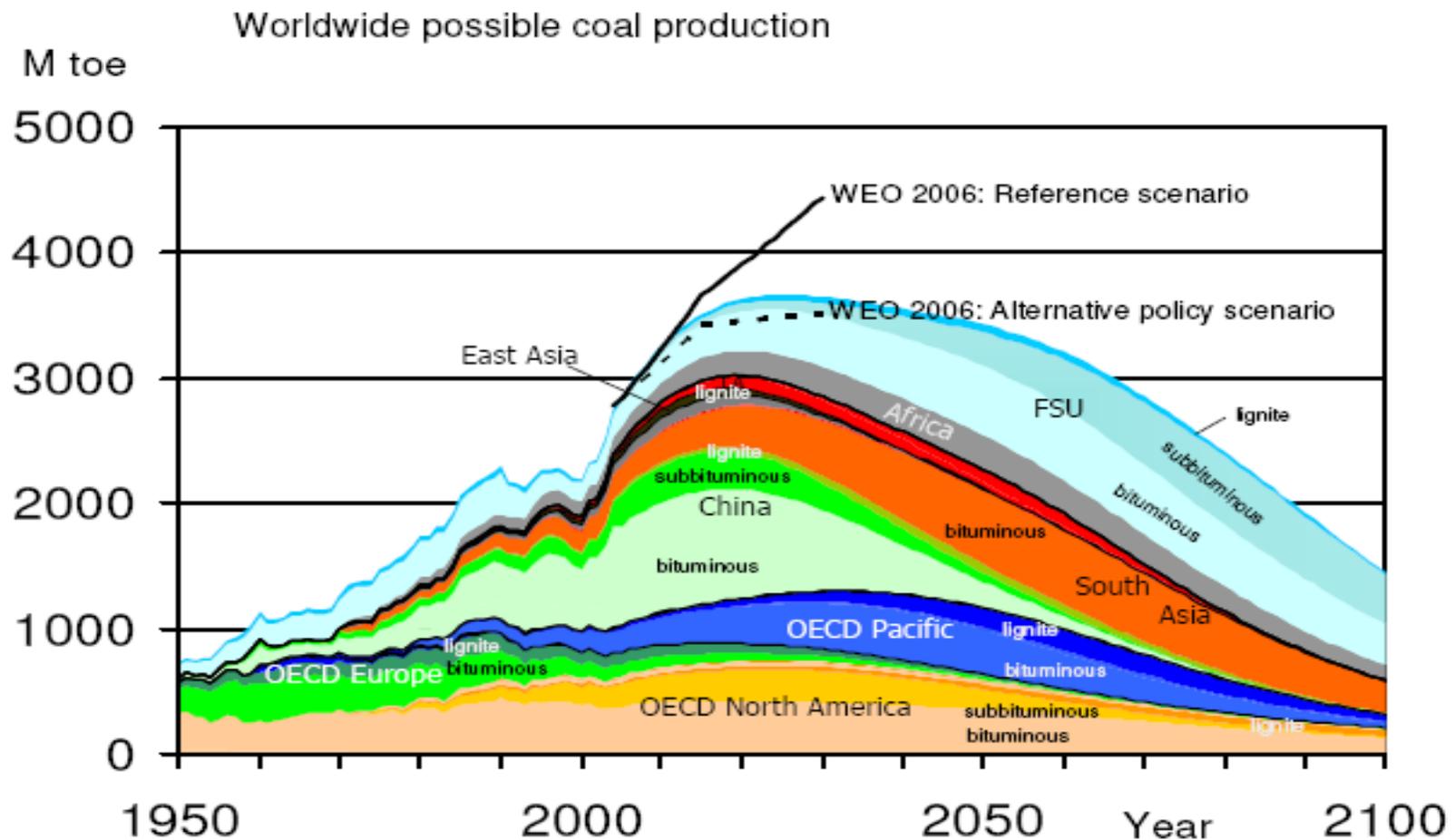
Hoch: 113,05  
Tief: 22,99  
Letzter: 113,05

Source: Spiegel Online 2008-04-18: Brent Spot

# Peak coal: just a few years later

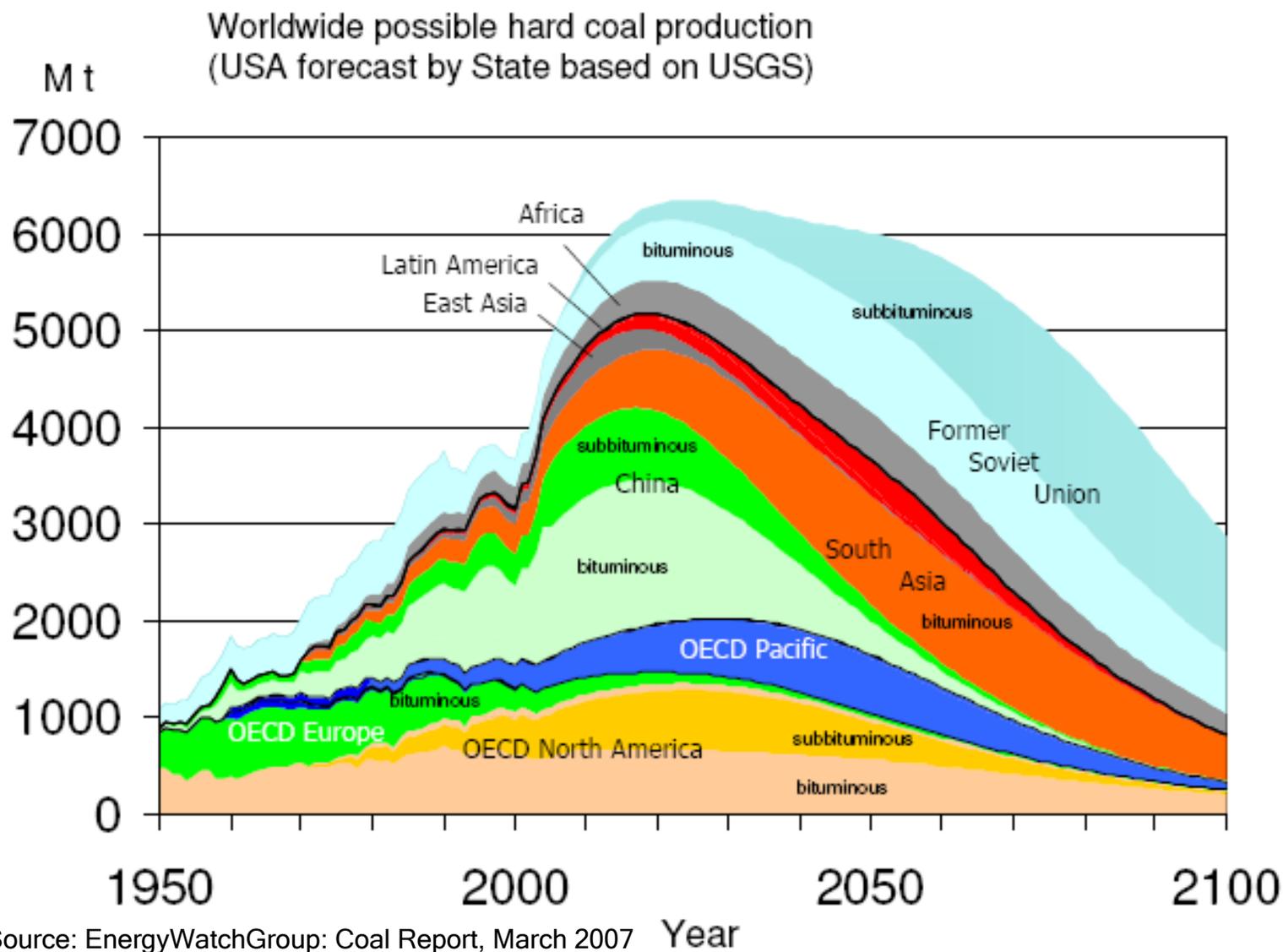


**Figure 5:** World coal production in the equivalent of a million tons of oil as calculated in this study based on proved recoverable reserves.



Source: EnergyWatchGroup: Coal Report, March 2007

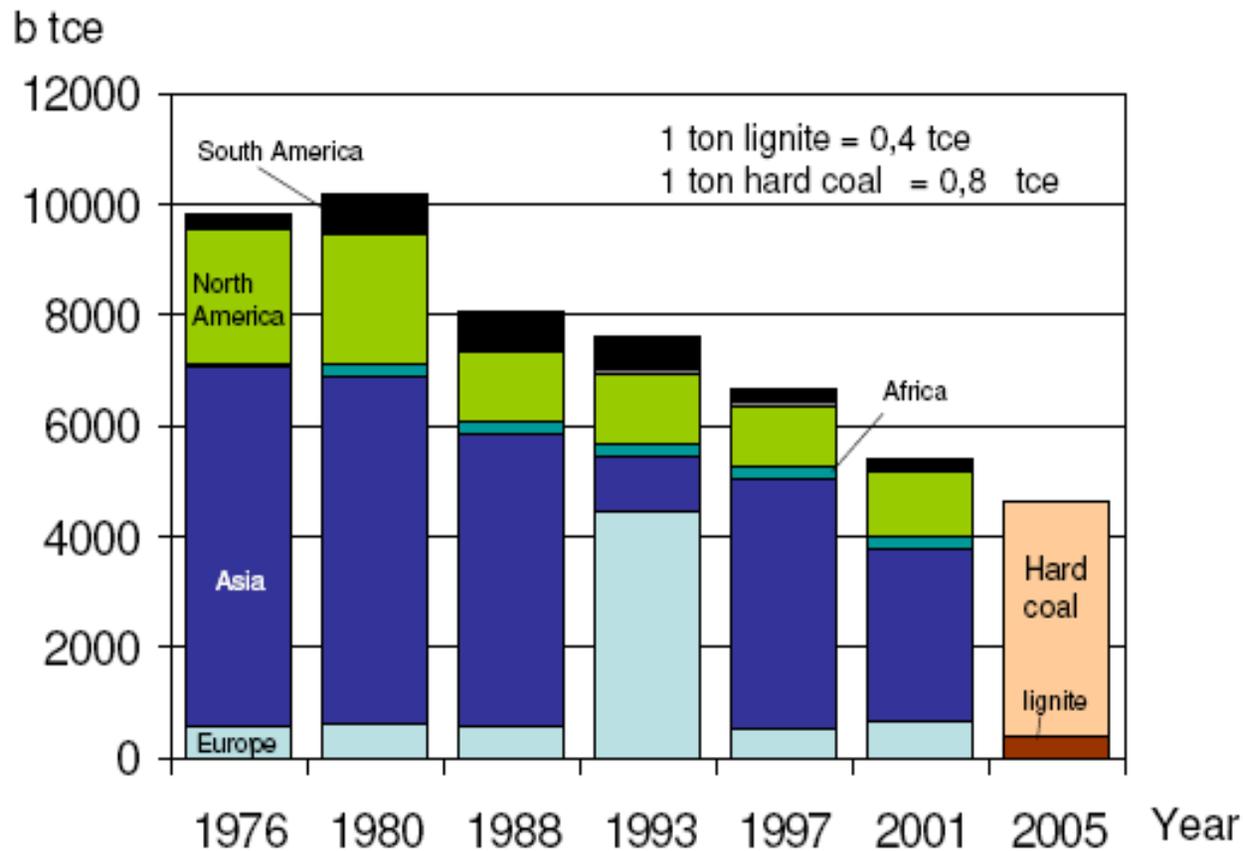
# Peak coal as seen by USGS



Source: EnergyWatchGroup: Coal Report, March 2007

# Peak coal: decreasing forecasts

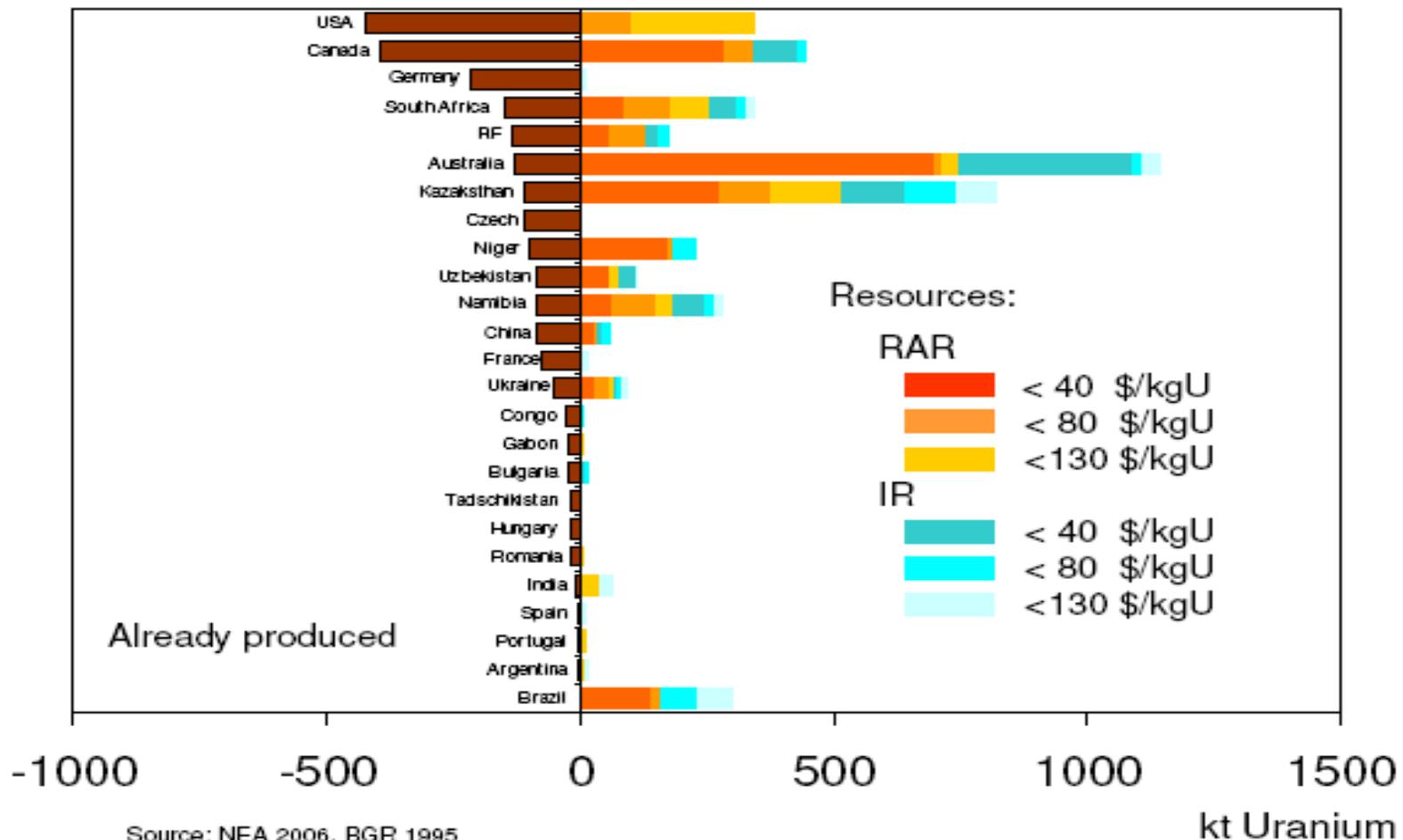
## History of Assessment of world coal resources



Source: BGR, 1995/1998/2002/2006  
Analysis: LBST 2006

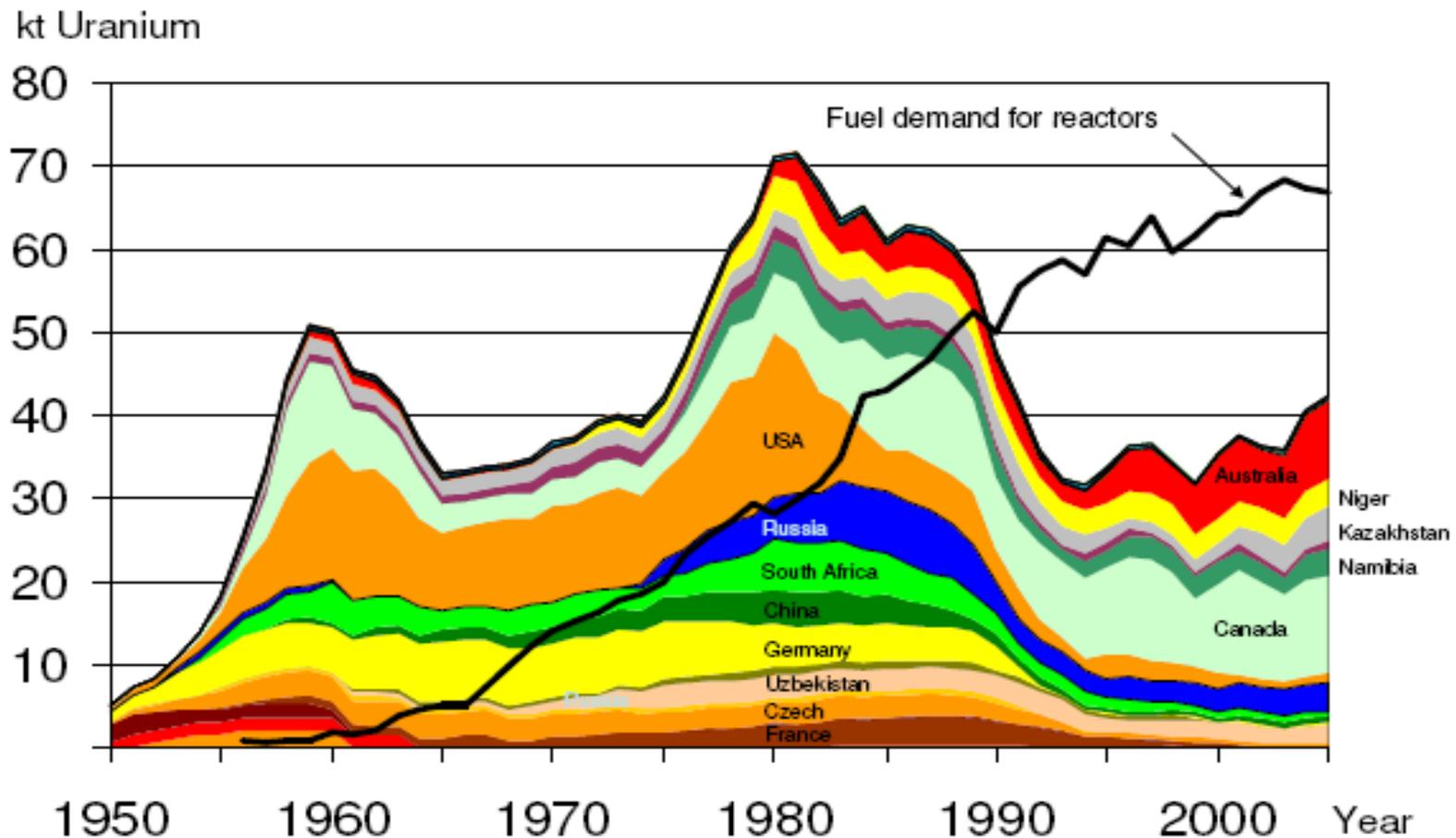
# Uranium: Few sources left

*Figure 3: cumulative produced uranium and reasonably assured and inferred resources of the most important countries.*



# Uranium: the fuel gap

Figure 4: Uranium production and demand

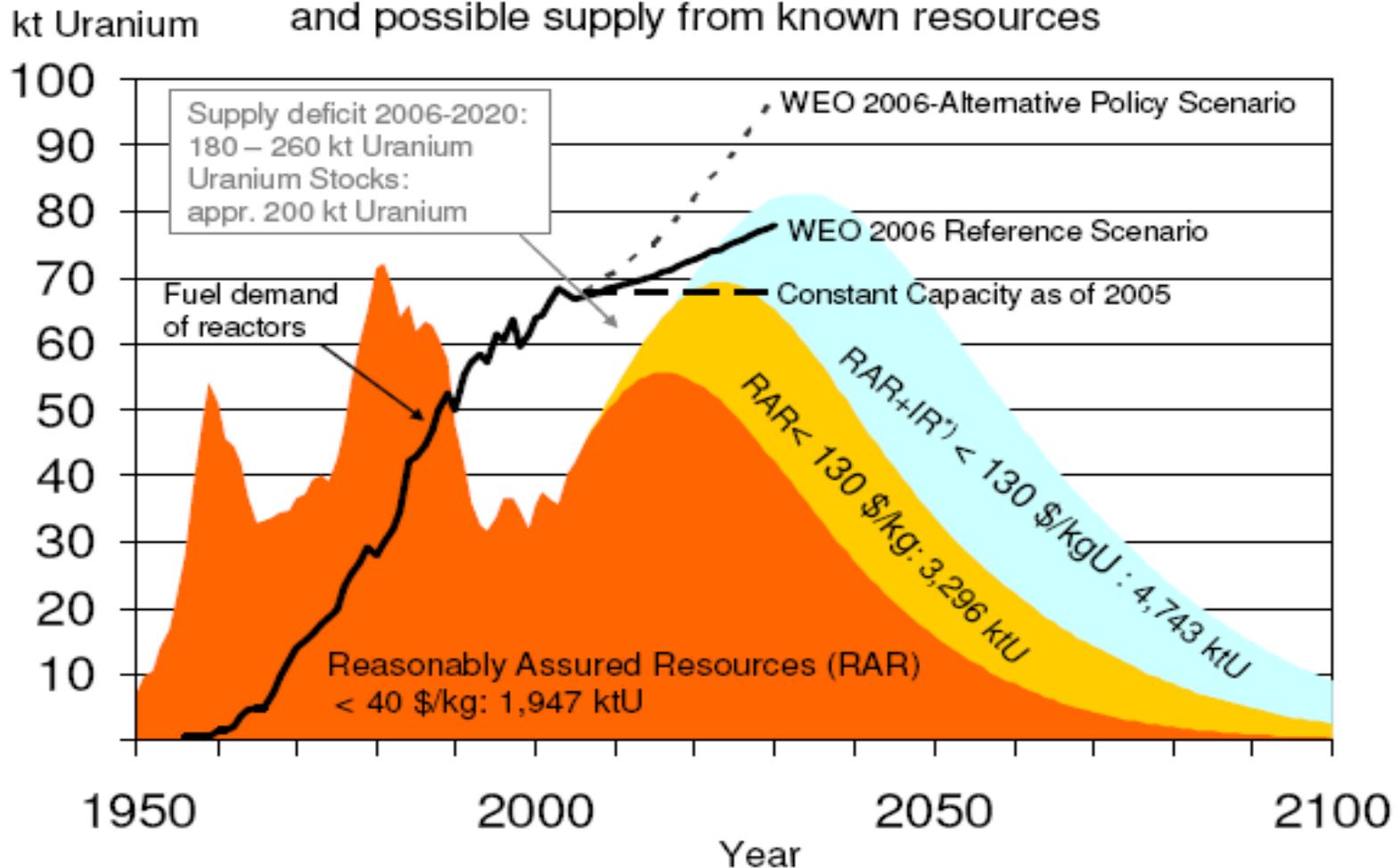


Source: EnergyWatchGroup: Uranium Report, December 2006

# Uranium: running out of supply



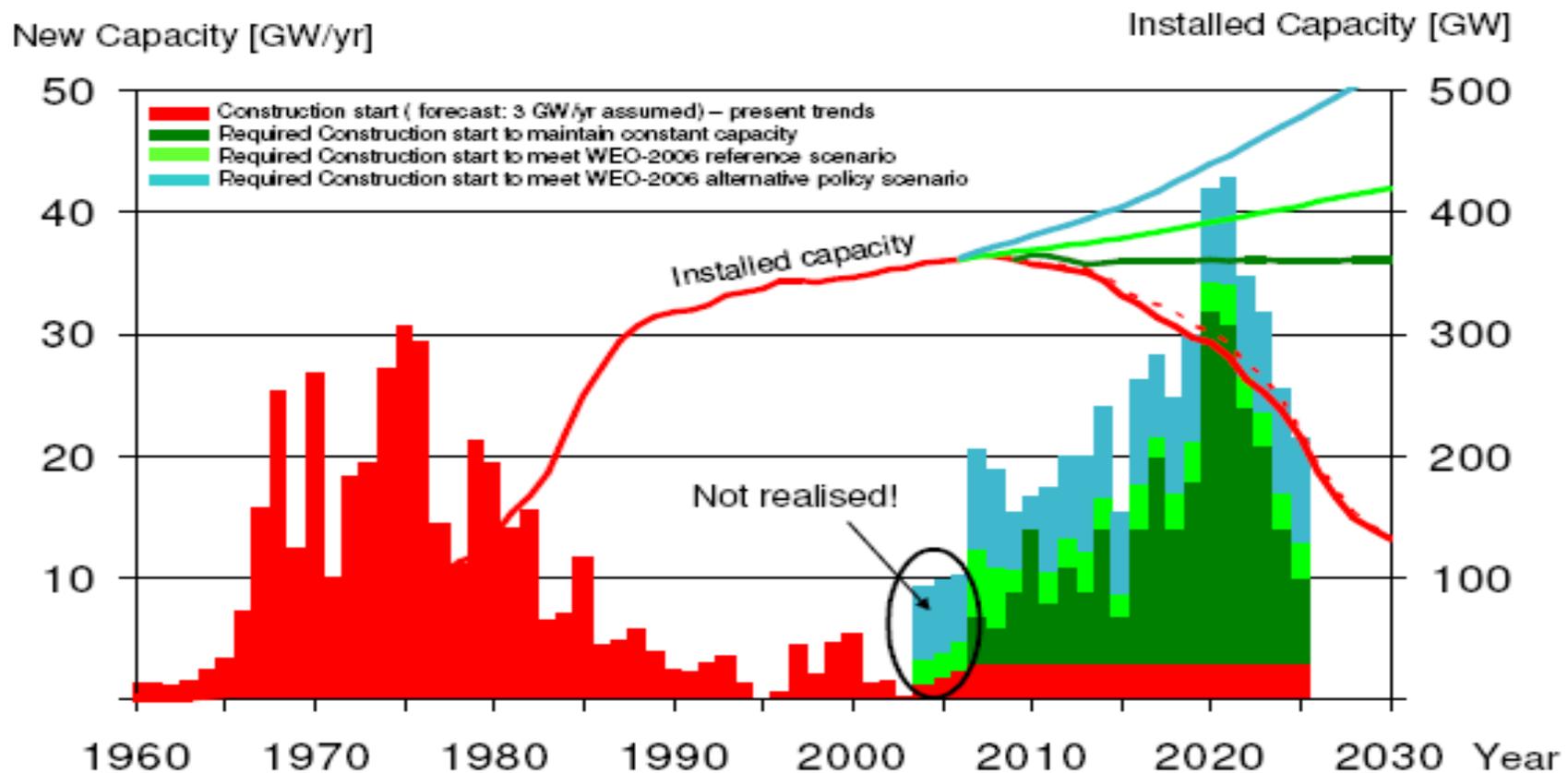
Uranium demand according to IEA scenarios and possible supply from known resources



\*) IR = Inferred Resources

# Nuclear: far from reality

Figure 11: Projections of nuclear capacity



# Renewable energies can deliver

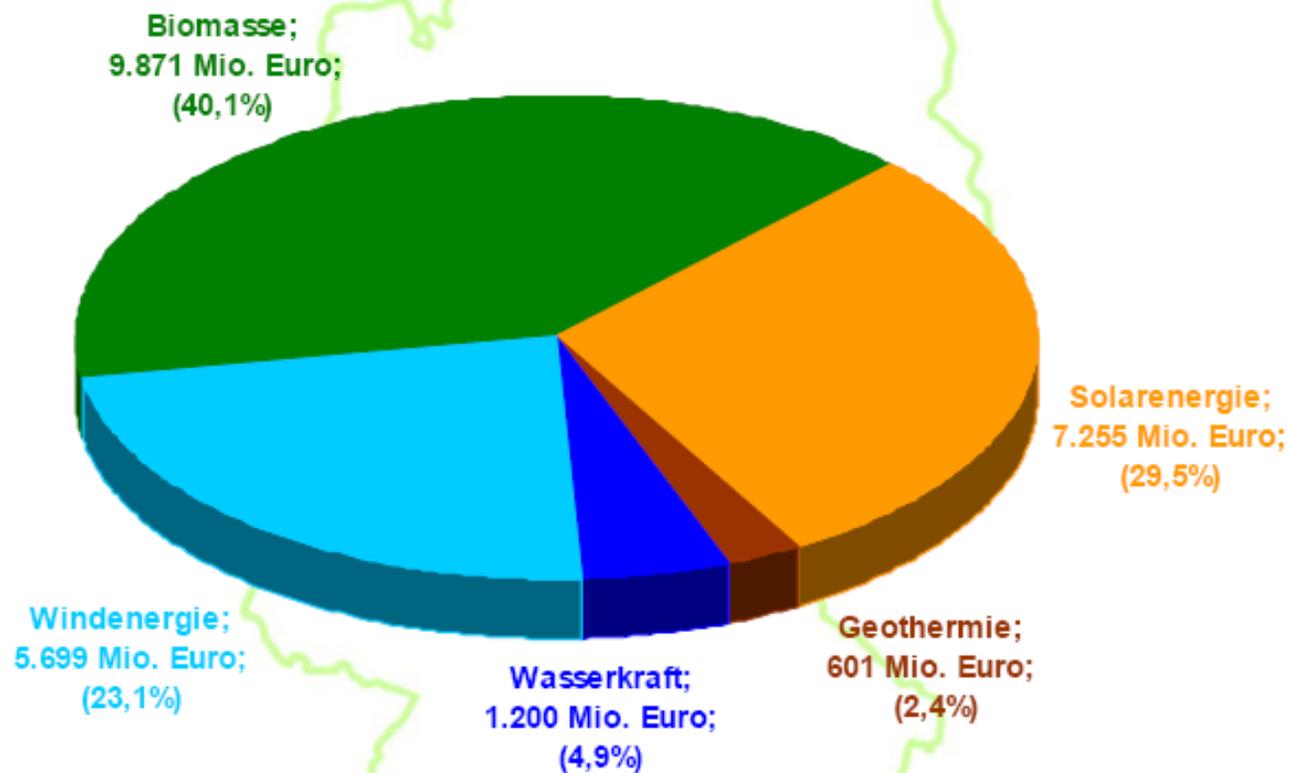
- **Market distortions, market dominance by incumbent industry and lack of internalising externalities are the main reasons for relatively slow market penetration of renewable energy.**
- **Support schemes and strong political support are necessary to overcome these barriers.**
- **Cost reductions through steep learning curves and economies of scale make renewable energies economically viable - one by one.**

## Strong commitment triggers development

- A stable and reliable support framework was established - based on strong public support and overwhelming commitment of political parties, government and NGOs.
- New market players - mostly SME - compete with incumbent utilities, fostering technology development in various sectors and creating economic growth.
- Renewable energies are a major element of supply security, greenhouse gas savings, job creation, and cost reduction for consumers.

# Turnover of the German RE-Industry (2007): 24.6 bn €

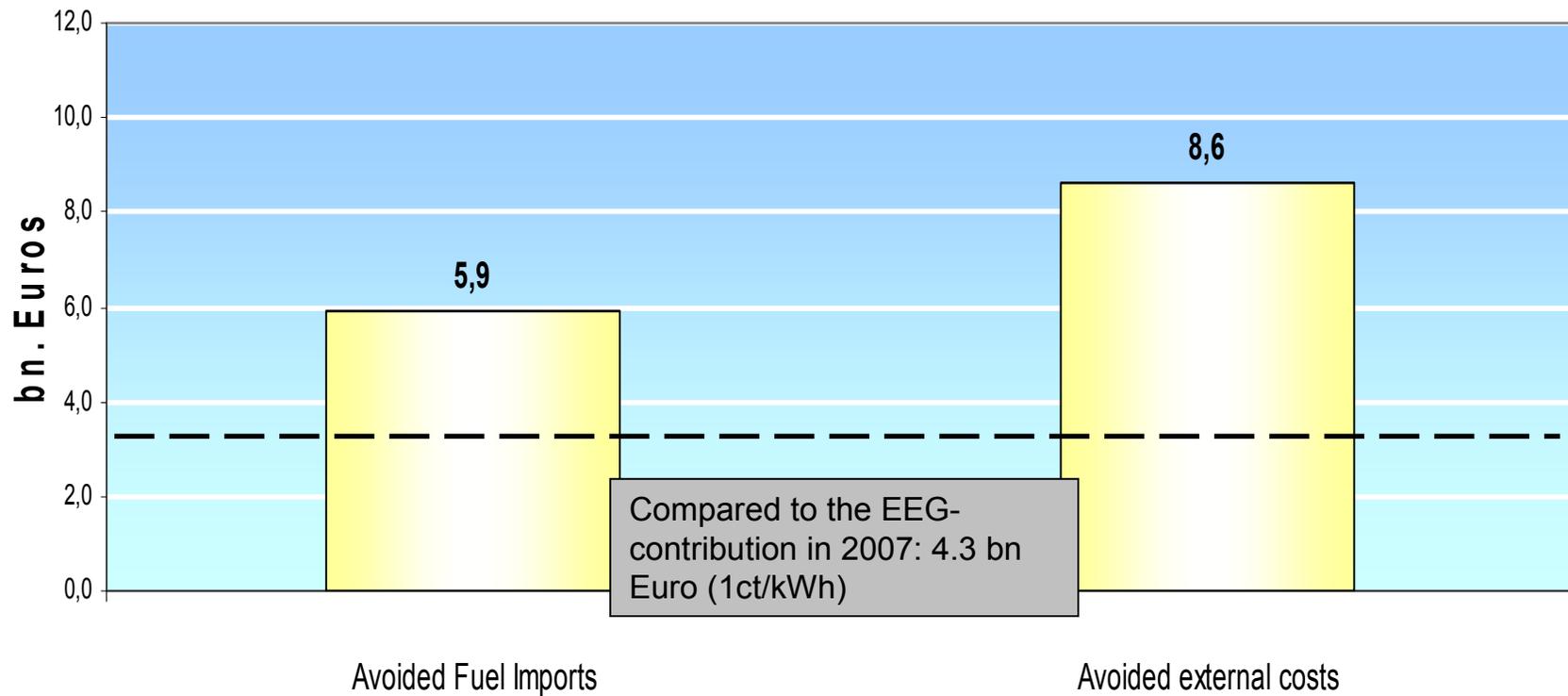
**Gesamtumsatz mit erneuerbaren Energien in Deutschland 2007**  
(Investitionen und Betrieb)  
rd. 24,6 Mrd. Euro



Quelle: Zentrum für Sonnenenergie- und Wasserstoff-Forschung Baden-Württemberg (ZSW), Stand März 2008  
vorläufige Angaben

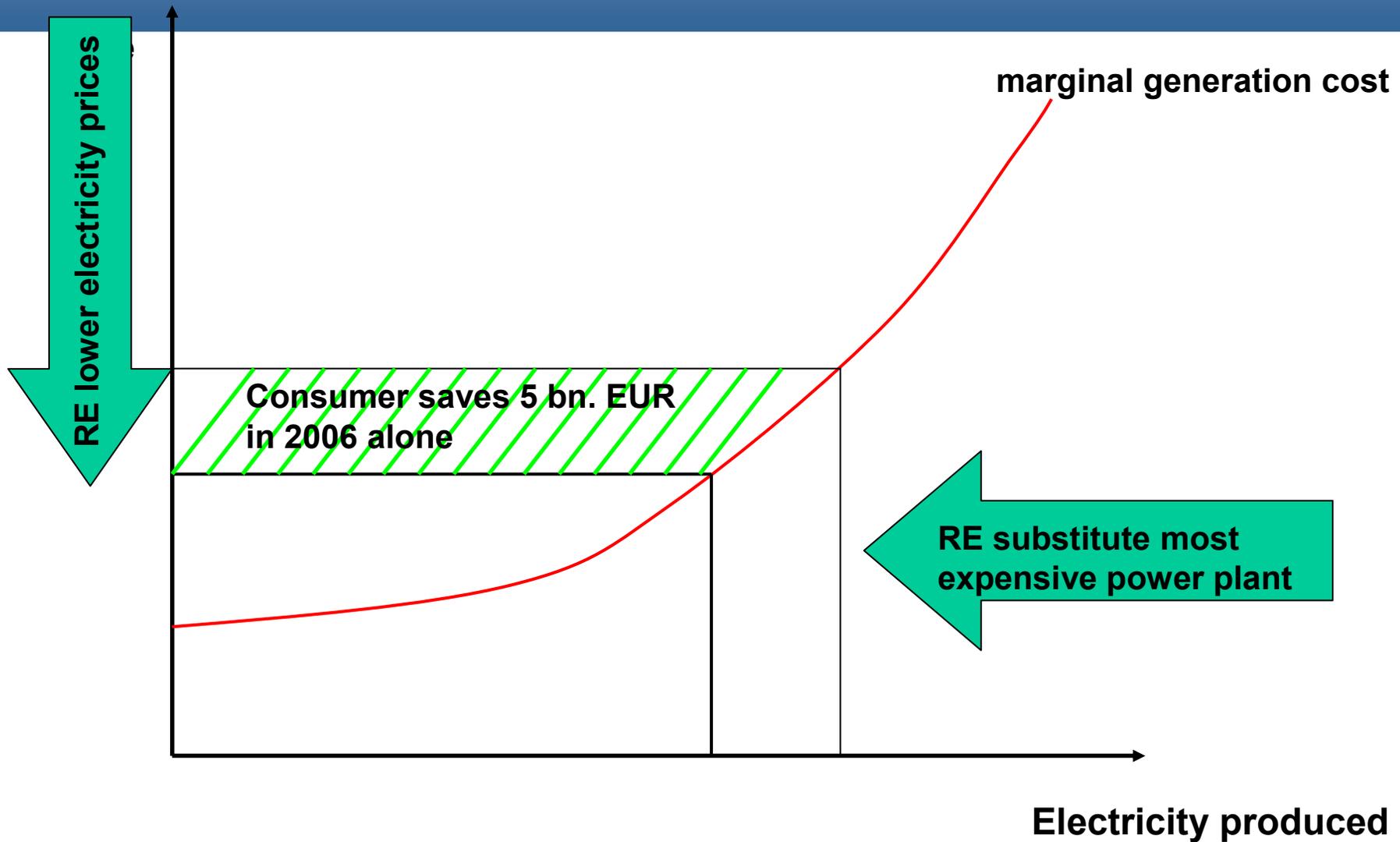
# Public benefit: Avoided costs

## Cost-reduction through Renewables in 2007

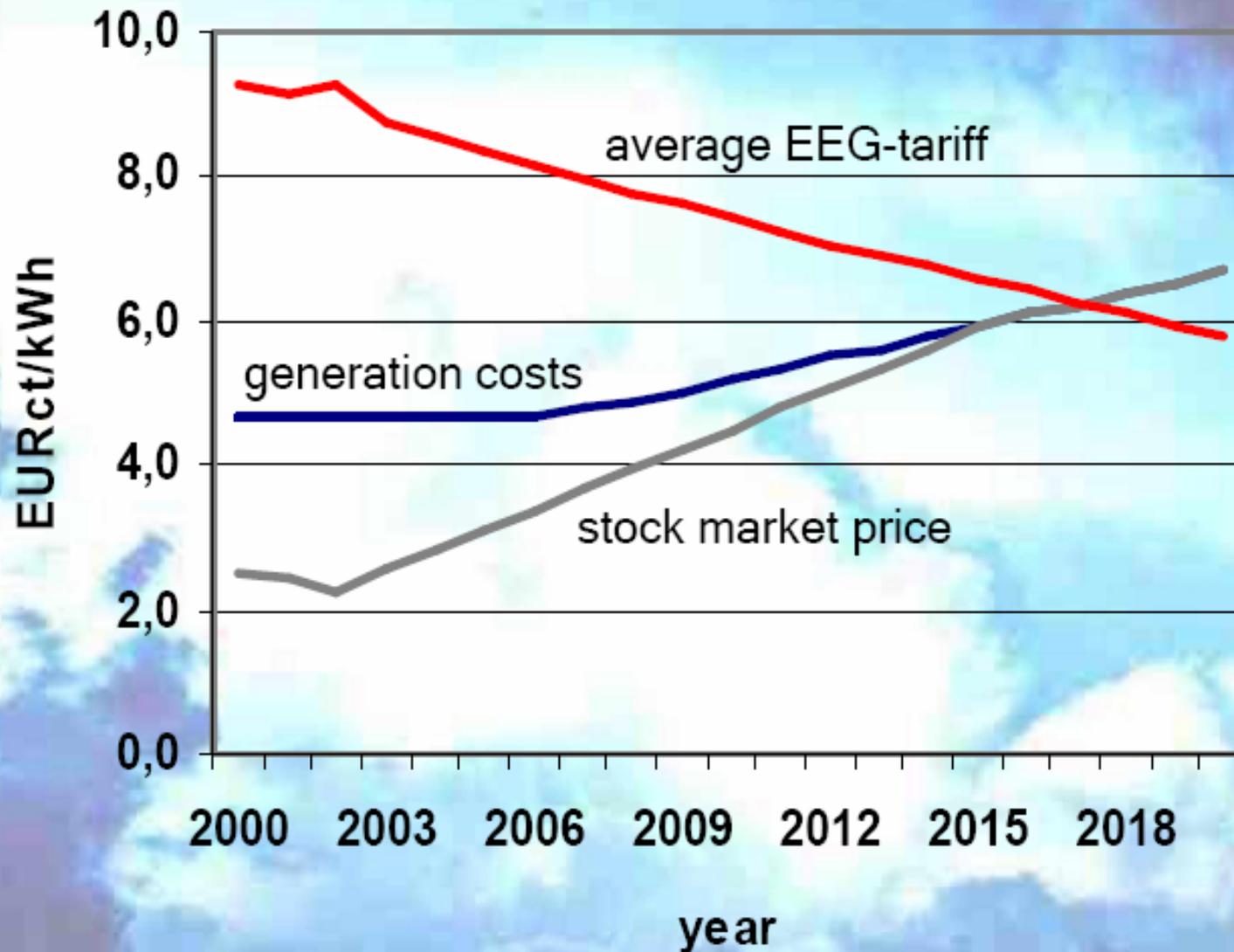


Sources: BEE based on member associations, BAFA, Fraunhofer ISI; growth rates rounded

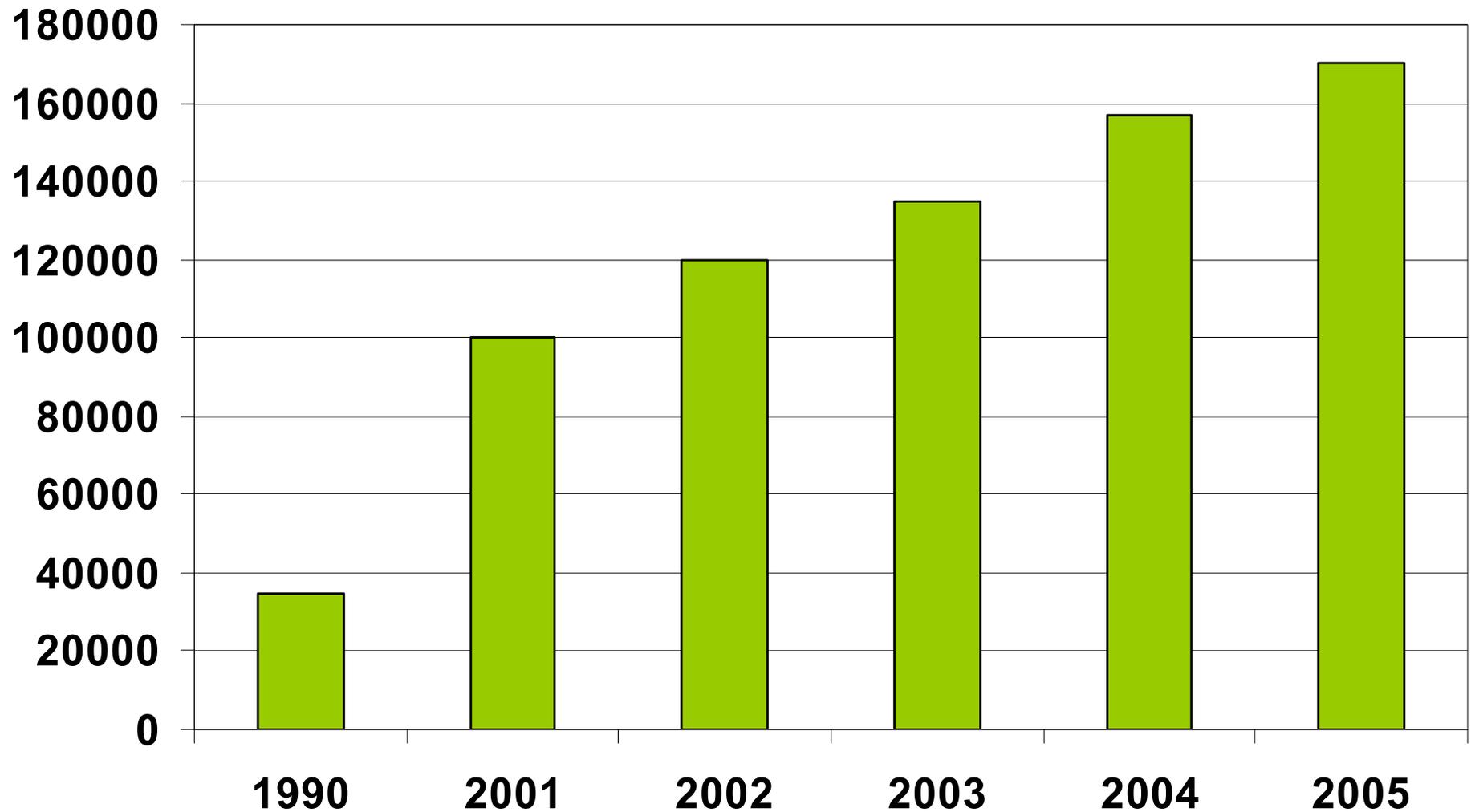
# Public benefit: Merit order effect



# RE will be the cheapest energies

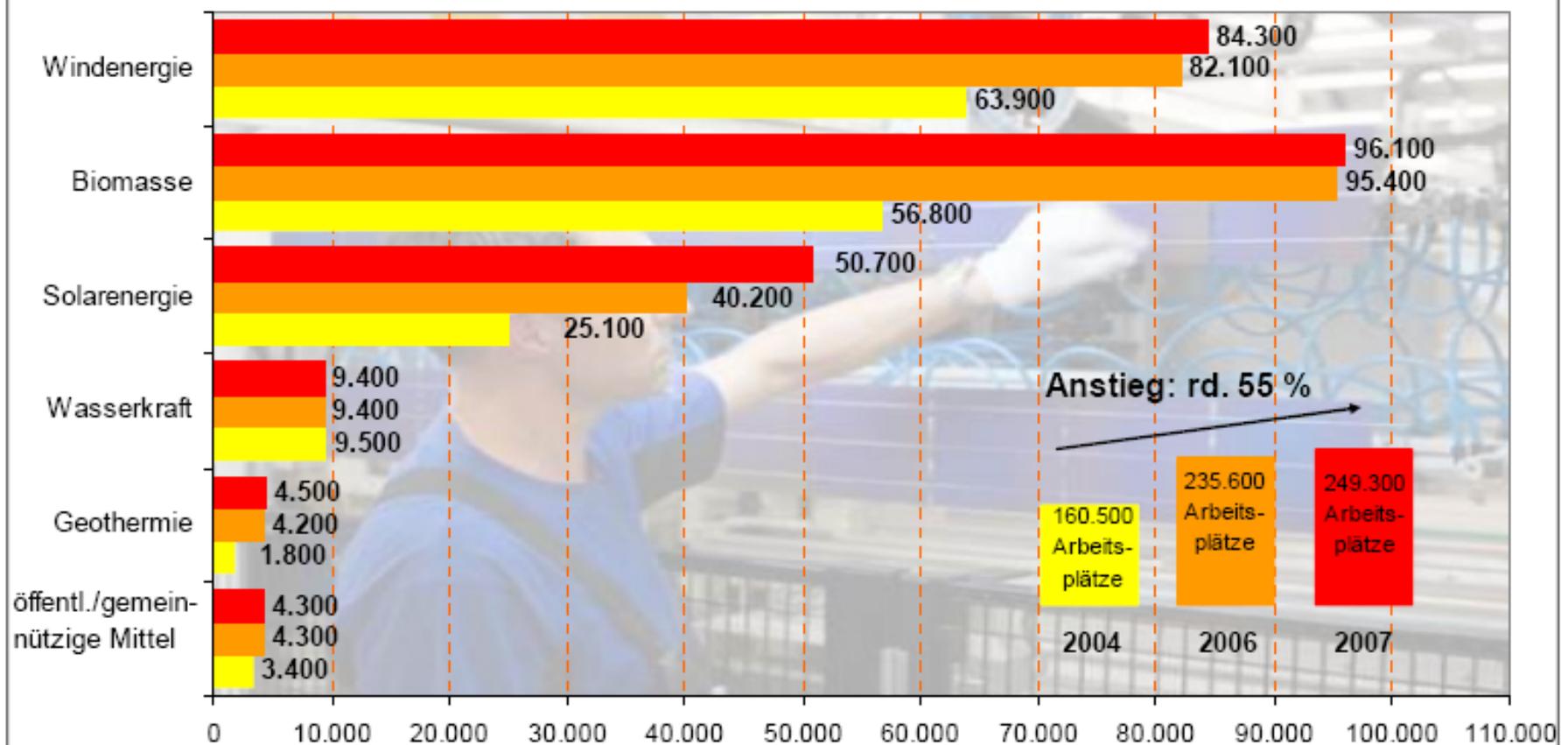


# Jobs in the RE-Sector: 170.000 in 2005



# Jobs in the RE-Sector: 250,000 in 2007

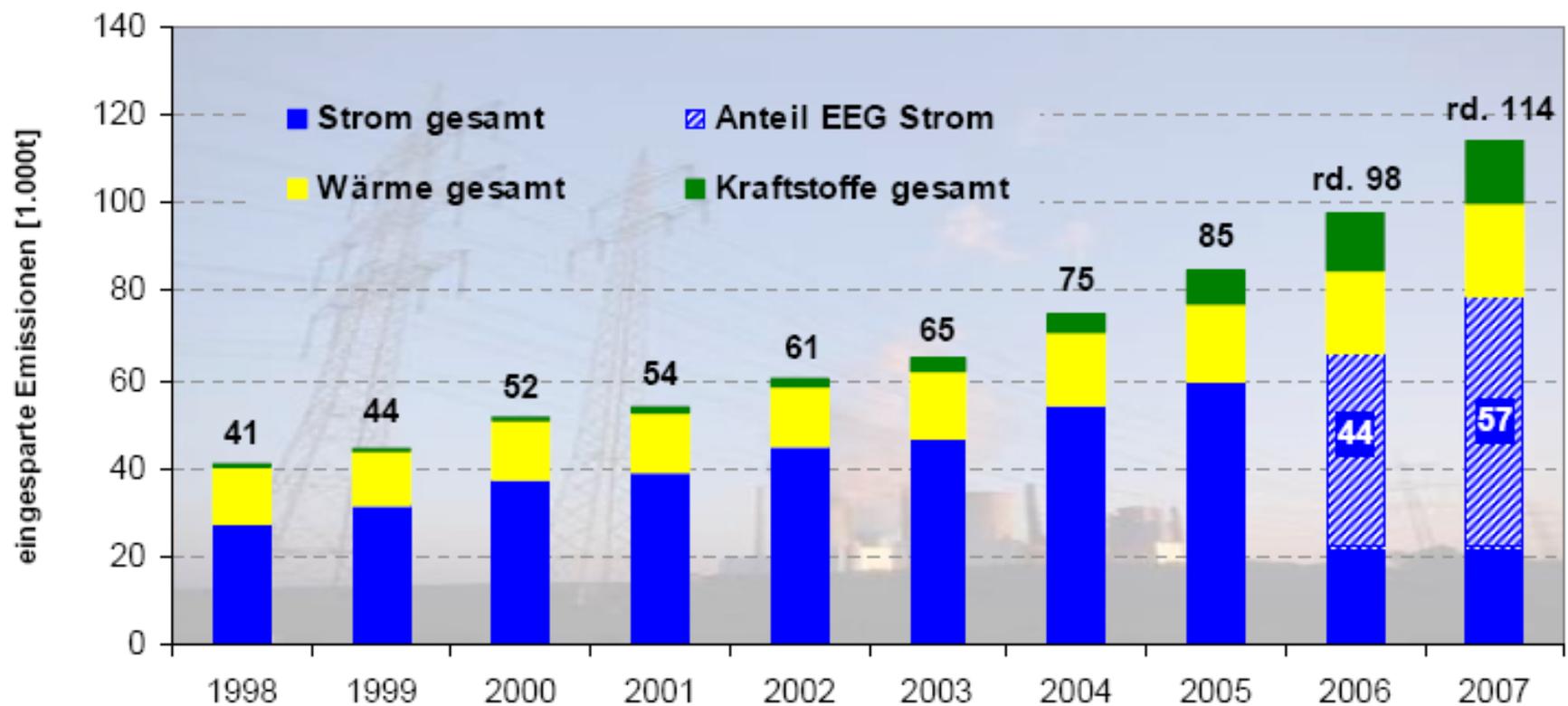
Beschäftigte im gesamten Bereich der erneuerbaren Energien  
in Deutschland 2004, 2006 und 2007



Quelle: BMU Vorhaben: "Kurz- und langfristige Auswirkungen des Ausbaus der erneuerbaren Energien auf den deutschen Arbeitsmarkt", Zwischenbericht März 2008

# RE reduce CO<sub>2</sub>-Emissions: 114 million t in 2007

**Gesamte CO<sub>2</sub> Vermeidung durch Nutzung von erneuerbaren Energien**

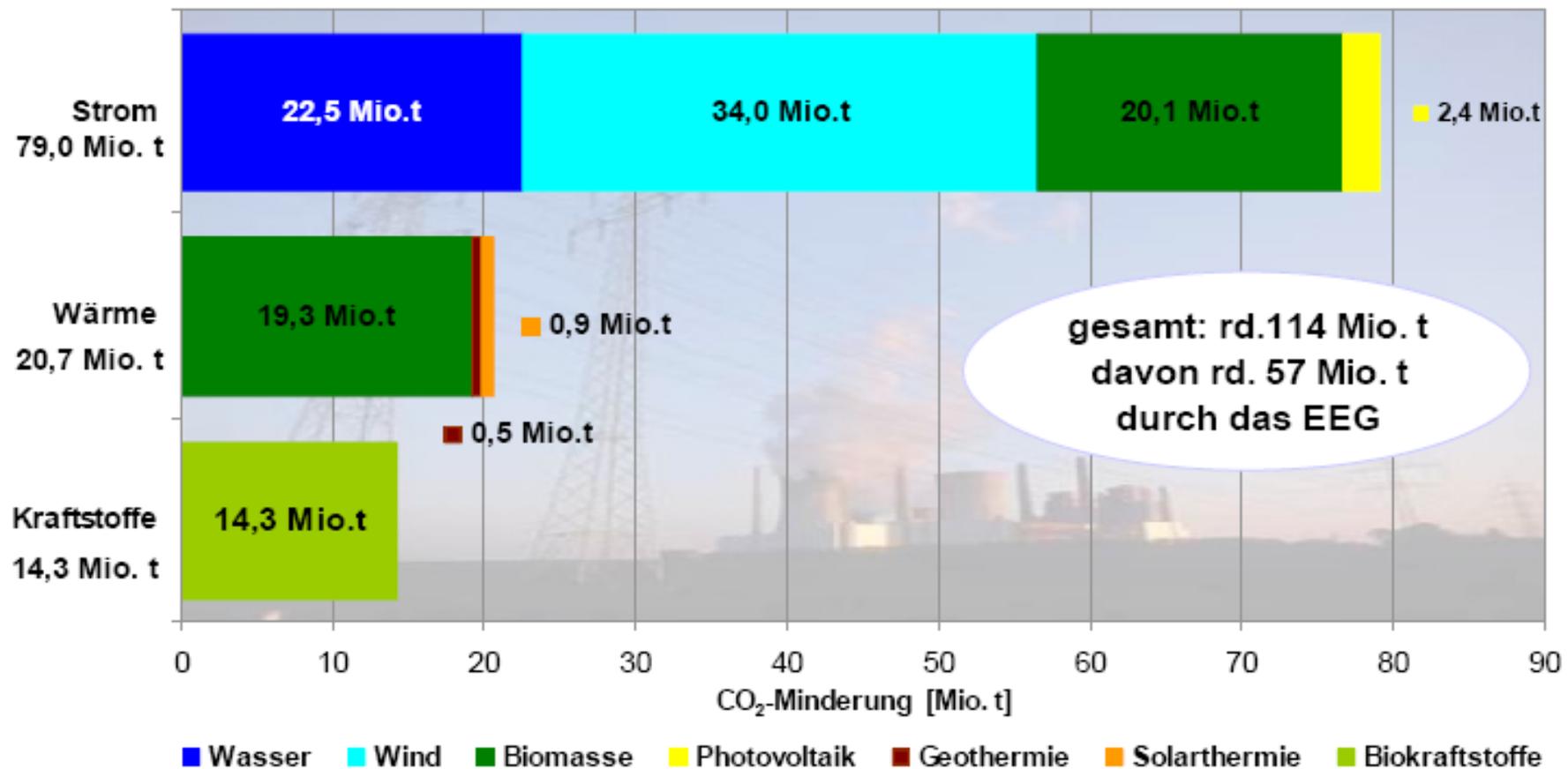


vorläufige Angaben, Stand März 2008

Quellen: BMU nach Arbeitsgruppe Erneuerbare Energien-Statistik (AGEE-Stat); Zentrum für Sonnenenergie- und Wasserstoff-Forschung Baden-Württemberg (ZSW)

# RE reduce CO<sub>2</sub>-Emissions: 79 million t in electricity

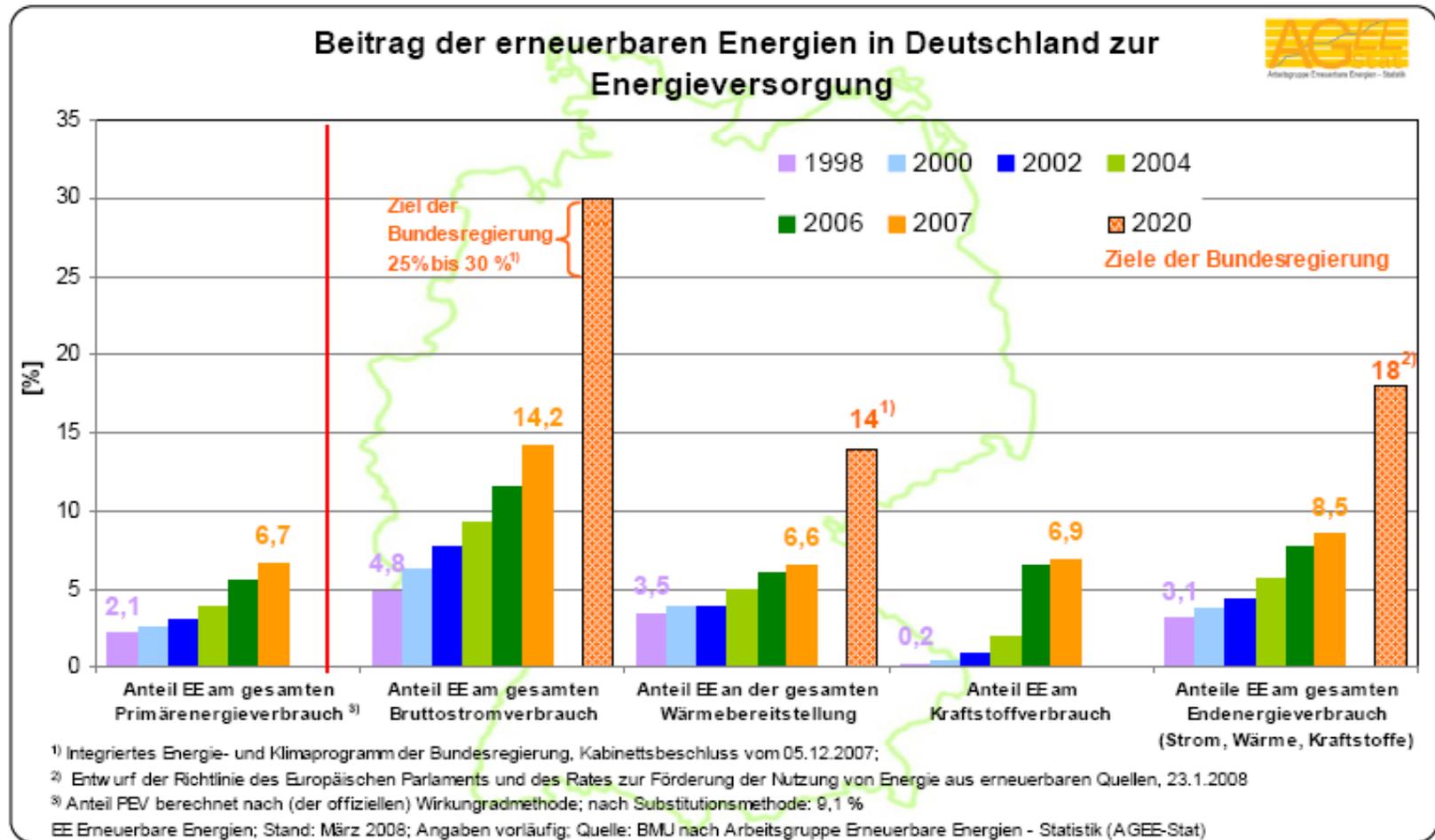
Vermiedene CO<sub>2</sub>-Emissionen durch die Nutzung erneuerbarer Energien in Deutschland im Jahr 2007



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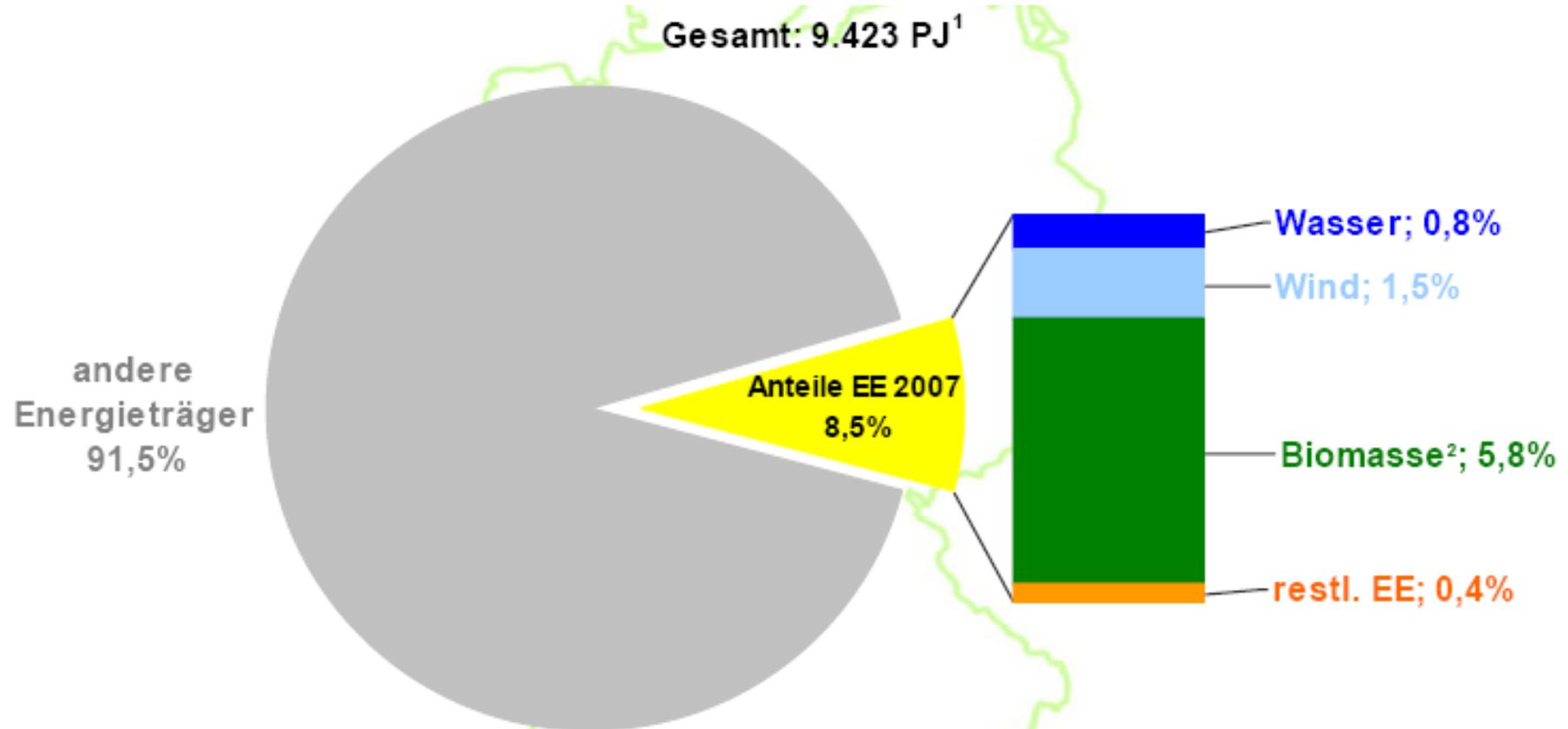
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# Contribution of RE to Germany's Total Energy Supply



Energy-generation from **Renewable Sources** (2007: 219.4 bn. kWh) was more than the overall energy consumption of Portugal, Hungary or Norway.

# RES in Final Energy Consumption 2007 (Germany)

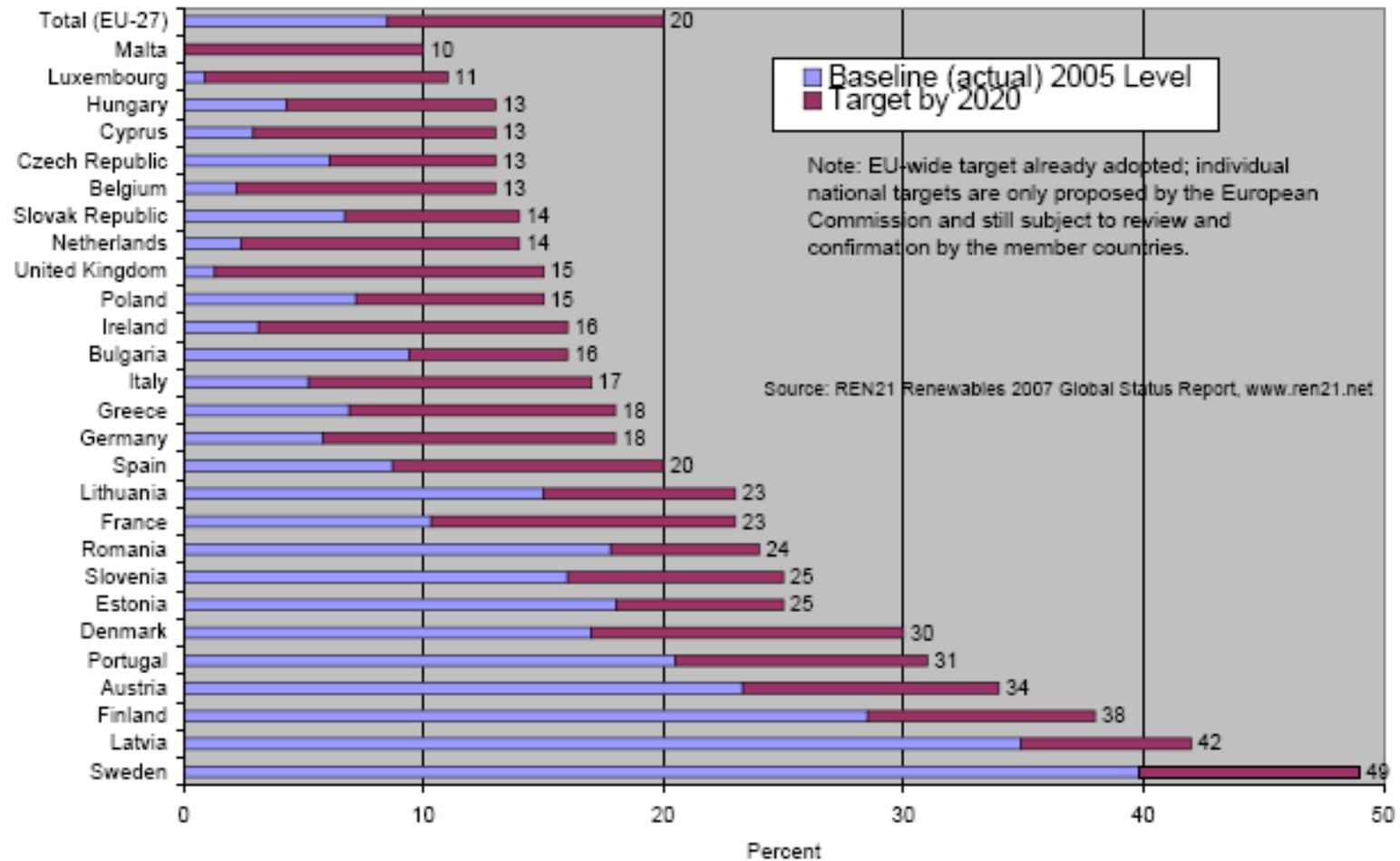


<sup>1</sup> Basis 2006; <sup>2</sup> feste, flüssige, gasförmige Biomasse, biogener Anteil des Abfalls, Deponie- und Klärgas;  
 EE Erneuerbare Energien; Stand: März 2008; Angaben vorläufig  
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# EU: RE-targets for 2020

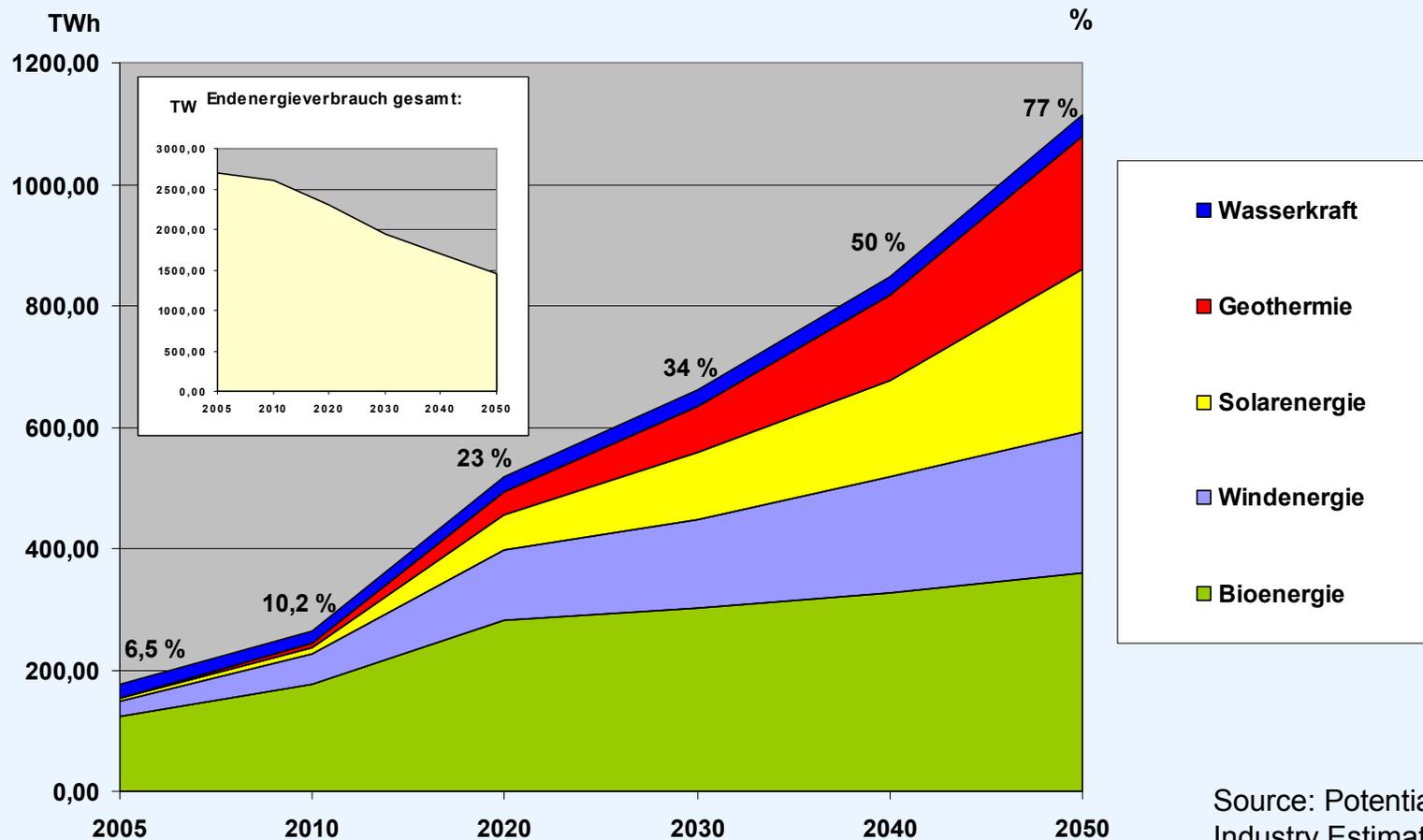


Figure 12. EU Renewable Energy Targets—Share of Final Energy by 2020





# Potentials of renewable energies until 2050



Source: Potentials of RE:  
Industry Estimate.  
Total energy consumption:  
BMU 2004



# Outlook: 1

- Due to rising costs and imminent depletion of resources, fossil and nuclear energies cannot be an option for supply security in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.
- Given the urgency to stop the increase of global GHG emissions within the next 15 years, “clean fossils” will not even be an interim solution.



## Outlook: 2

- Renewable energies are domestic resources of unlimited availability.
- Different technologies will tap the potential, if enabling framework conditions foster their rapid development and large scale deployment.
- Renewables are the only realistic option for mitigation of climate change and for a sustainable energy future.



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