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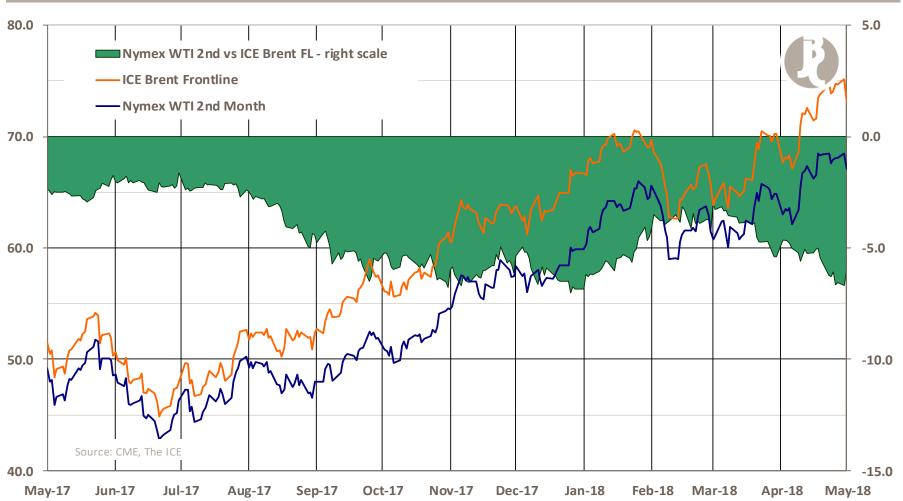
### **Topics**



- Demand
- Supply & OPEC Strategy
- Repercussions of Crude Quality Change
- 2018: Tight Product Supply
- IMO Status & Scenario

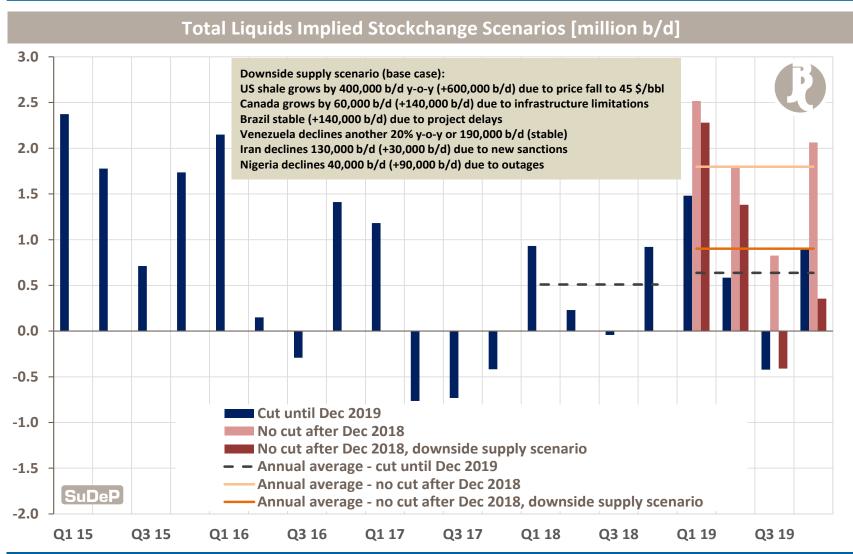
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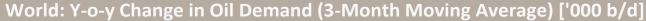


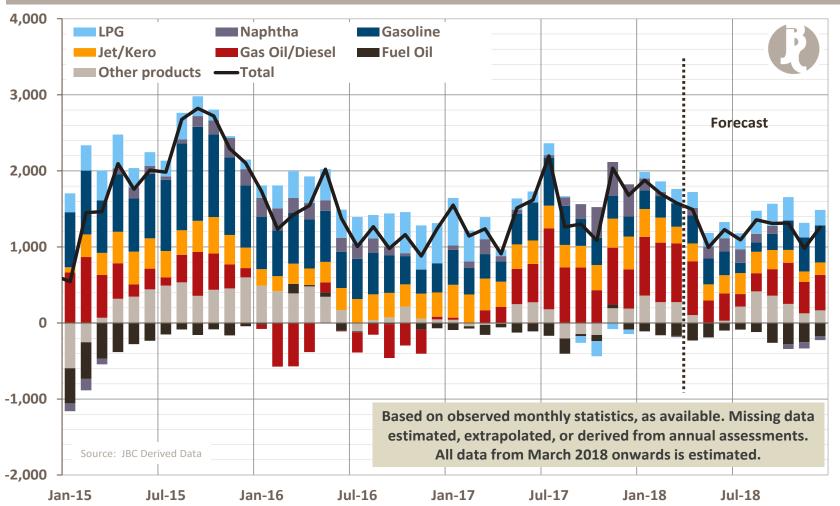
Crude settling at their highest levels since 2014, thanks to a mixture of bullish factors such as direction of fundamentals (inventories close to 5-year average), dollar weakness and thus incentives for commodities, backwardated markets pay long oil futures, and geopolitical factors, strong OPEC solidarity and bullish refining trends.

#### Intro

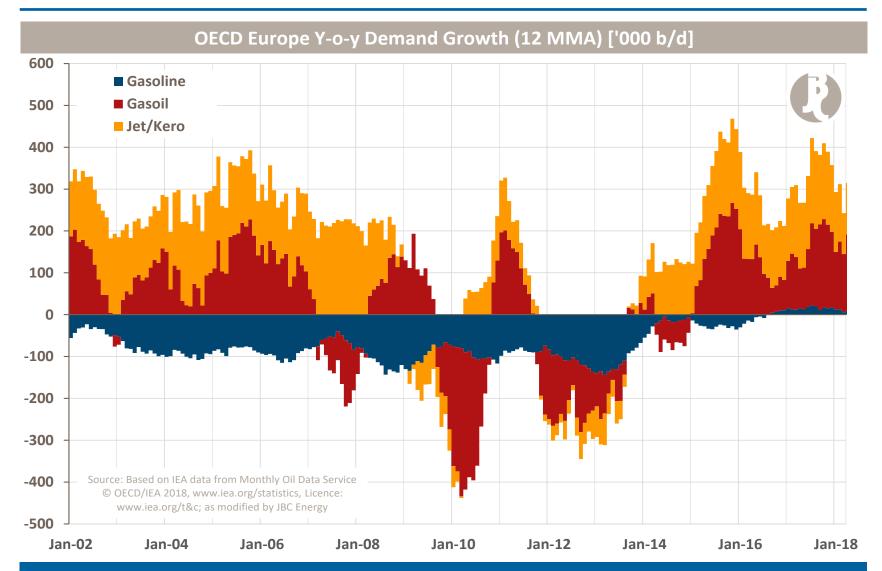


We see an extension of the agreement through 2019 as necessary to maintain price support and stop Brent from testing the \$50 mark. We will make this our new base case from here onwards. Otherwise, we see a 1.8 million b/d surplus for 2019. Russian support is likely, but not a given.

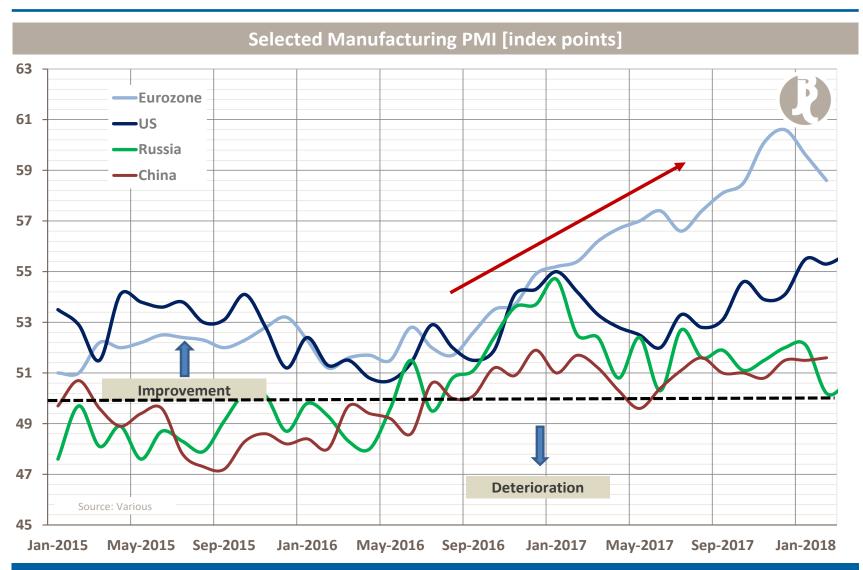




Clean and dirty product demand outlook is diverging, with gasoline demand growth having weakened noticeably recently due to higher prices.
Global gasoline demand growth averaged some 200,000 b/d y-o-y over Q1, the slowest quarterly pace since Q3-2014.



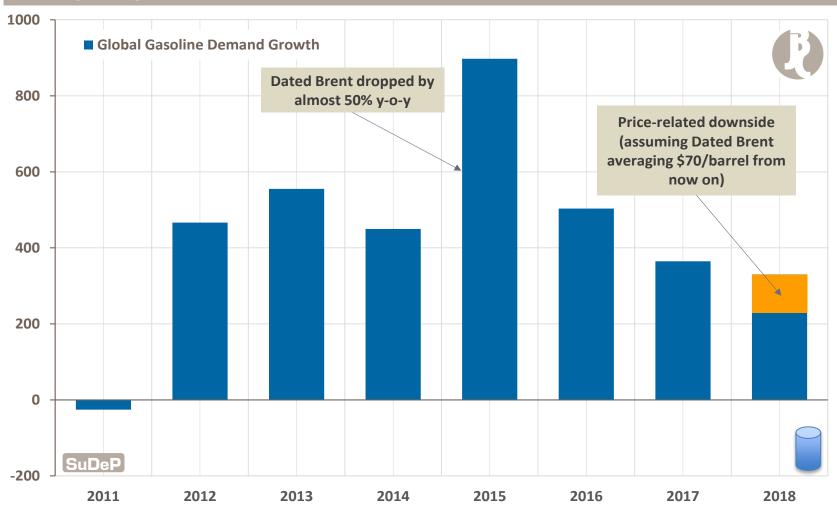
The past two years have also been spectacularly strong also for growth in transportation fuels in Europe



Strong economic growth, but question on how long to last and whether a recession in the next 1-2 years is a possible scenario.

#### Demand - LD

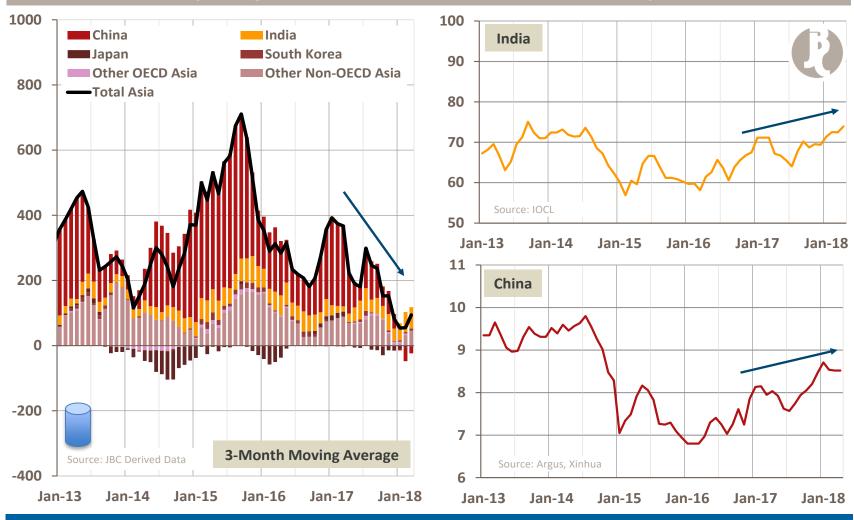
#### Y-o-y Change in Global Gasoline Demand: Price Related Downside Risk of 2018 ['000 b/d]



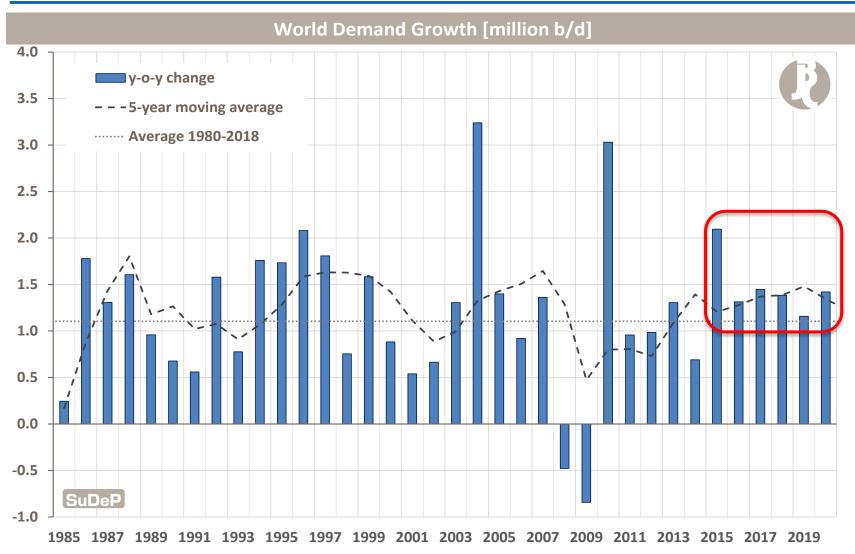
Meanwhile, gasoline demand is at risk from higher retail prices – in a higher oil price scenario we see about 100,000 b/d of potential demand growth dropping away. China and US have seen a 10% increase of retail prices y-o-y

#### Demand - LD

#### Total Asia: Y-o-y Change in Gasoline Demand vs. Price ['000 b/d, Rupee/L, '000 Yn/t]

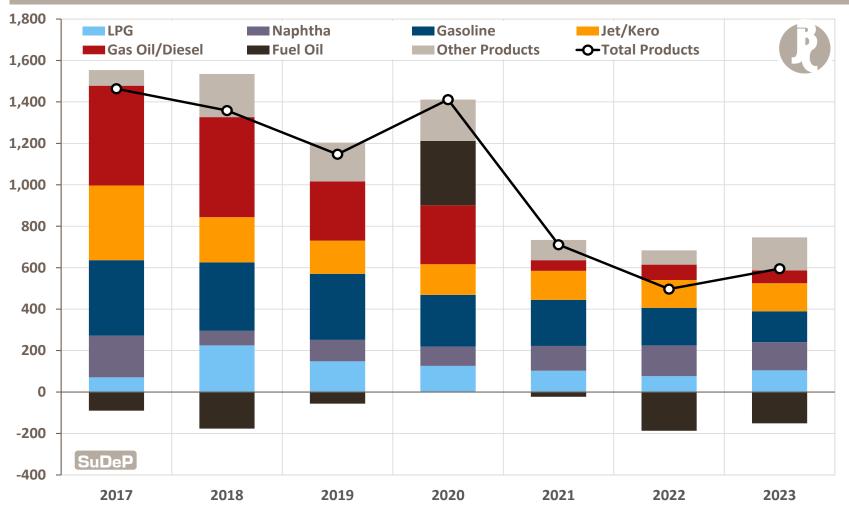


Gasoline demand growth in Asia is currently at its lowest point, and retail prices are at their highest in years in key countries.

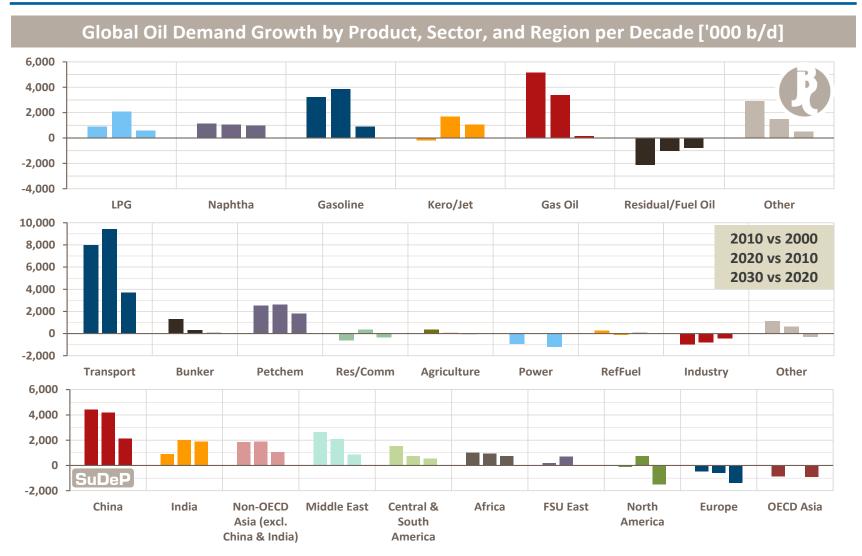


The current six years of strong demand growth are unprecedented in terms of consistency of above average demand growth year after year



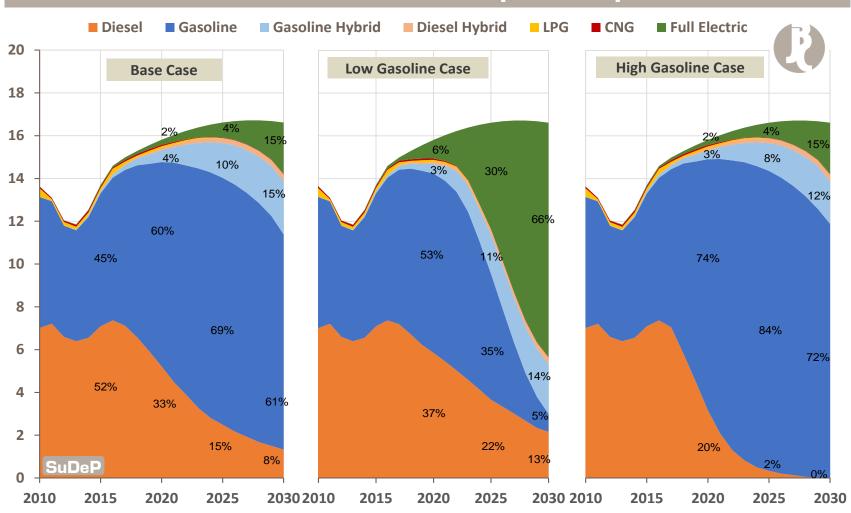


We see demand growth to slow down in the next decade, mainly coming form gasoil/diesel and a decline in fuel oil due to the IMO implementation.

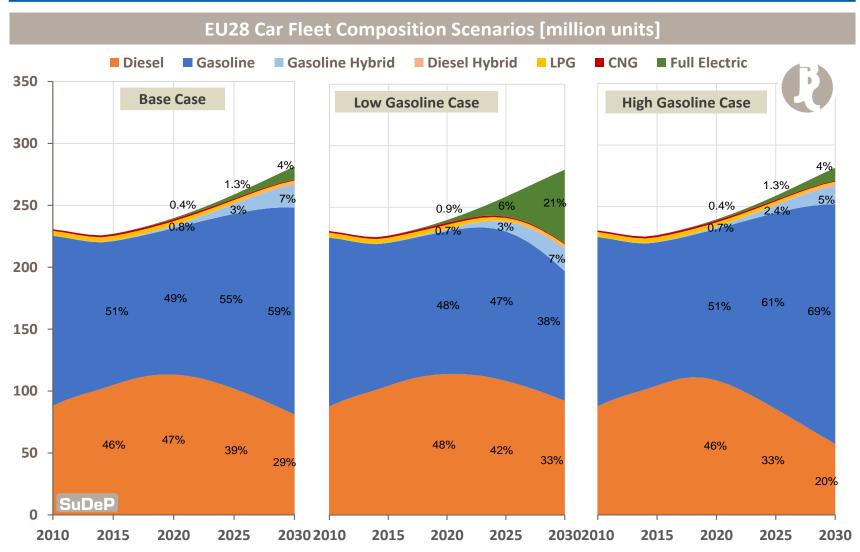


Long-Term: Transportation fuel demand is forecast to remain the strongest force in demand dynamics, closely followed by light ends for petchem.

#### **EU28 New Car Sales Scenarios [million units]**

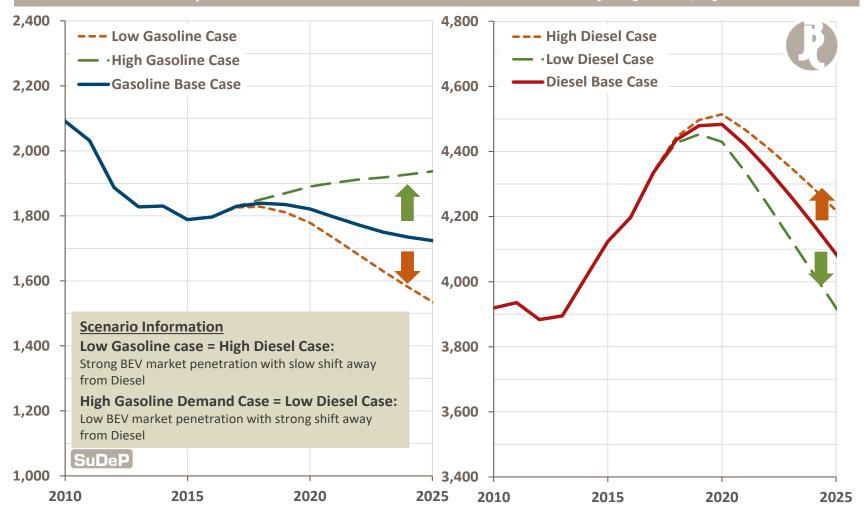


In our base case, pure gasoline car sales will be in the 60-70% range over the coming decade while gasoline hybrid and full electric will only pick up significantly after 2020



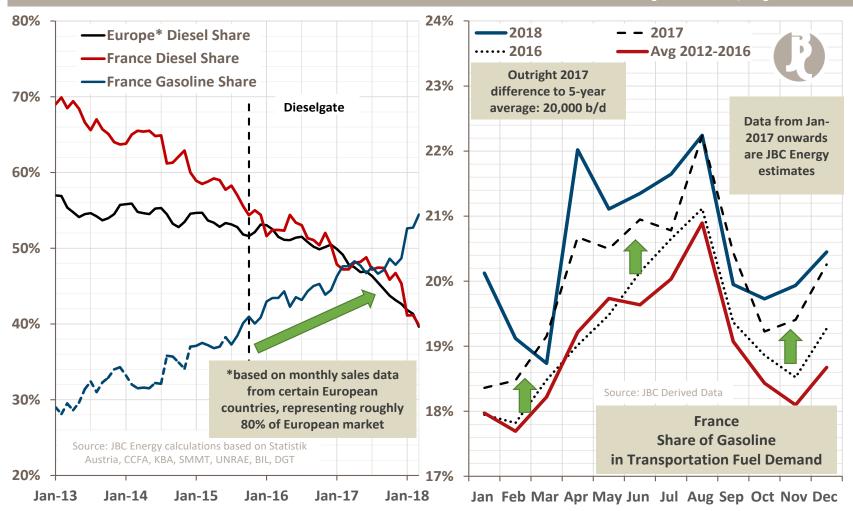
It takes time for changes in sales patterns to filter through to the fleet level. The difference between the scenarios is up to 400,000 b/d, which would have an impact on refining operations

#### Europe Gasoline and Diesel Demand Scenario Analysis ['000 b/d]



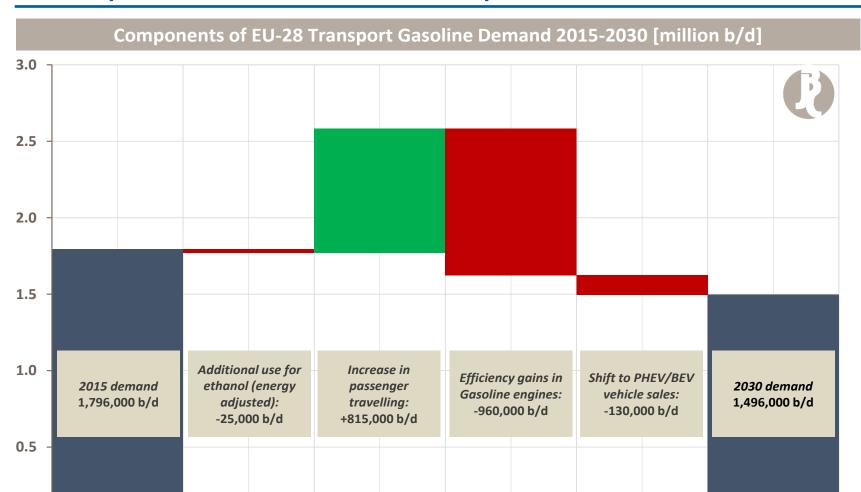
Largely diverging assumptions on car sales lead to a variability of close to 400,000 b/d in European gasoline demand by 2025, but this decade the impact is pretty limited.

#### Diesel and Gasoline Share in Car Sales and its Effect on Demand [% 3MMA, %]

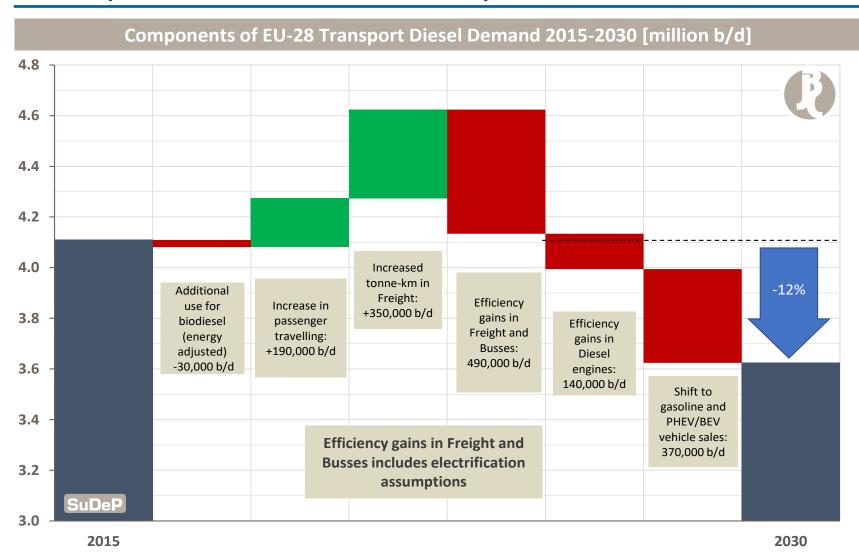


A huge shift in sales in France has led to growth of about 20,000 b/d for gasoline relative to the 5-year average.

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Our base case for gasoline demand sees a decline of 300,000 b/d from 2015 to 2030



Diesel demand overall drop by 10-15% over the 15 year period. Changes in the freight sector can have the most impact on diesel demand given that it accounts for more than 50% of diesel demand in Europe.



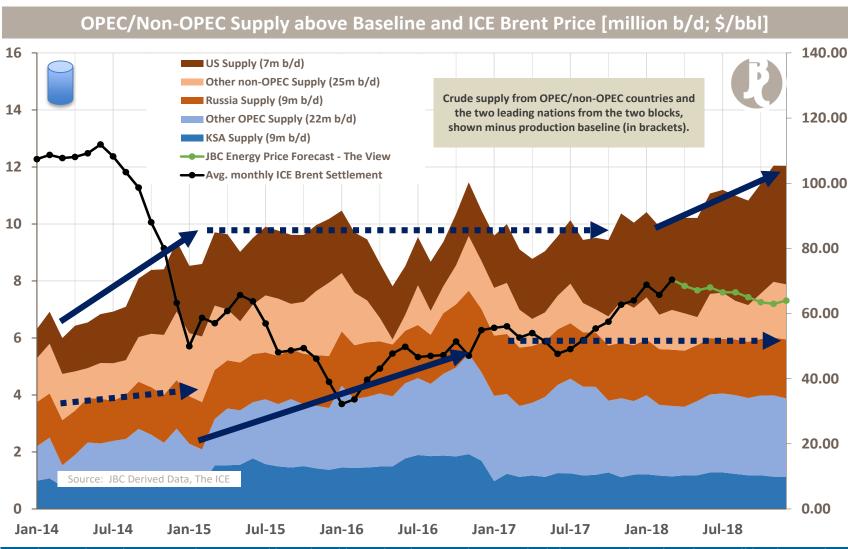
Comparison of Fuels	Energy efficie	System dines	Model availahii	System Price	Fuel Price	Range	Infrastruction	Re-fuelling	Maintenance Cost	Emission.	Comments
Gasoline	3	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	3	3	low energy efficiency; supercharged engines emit PM
Diesel	3	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	3	3	exhaust gas treatment needed
LPG	3	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	3	3	emissions slightly better; energy efficiency a bit worse
LNG	2	1	3	2	1	1	3	2	3	2	feasable only for trucks
CNG	2	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	3	2	basically a gasoline car - biggest problem is tank size and range
Hydrogen	2	2	3	3	3	2	3	1	2	1	700 bar tanks; losses due to energy conversion
Electricity	1	3	2	2	1	3	2	3	1	1	heavy batteries needed; range highly dependent on conditions

Source: JBC Energy

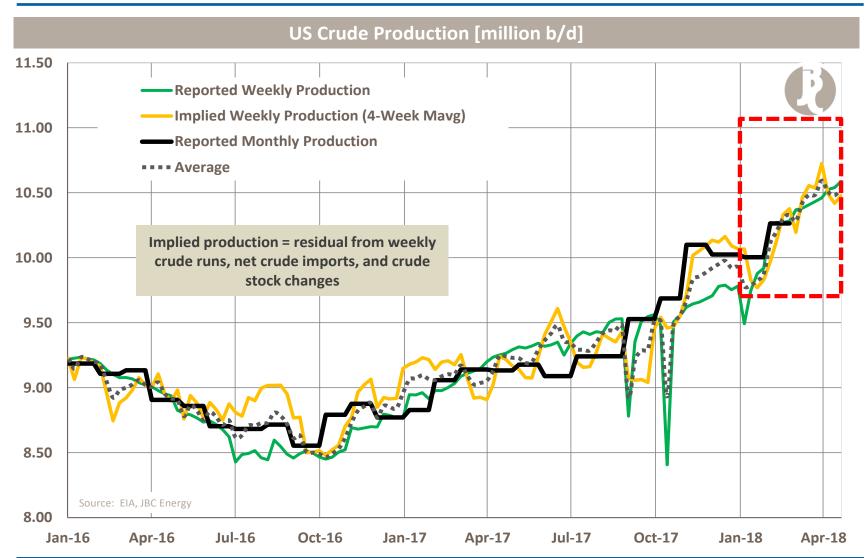
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problematic	3



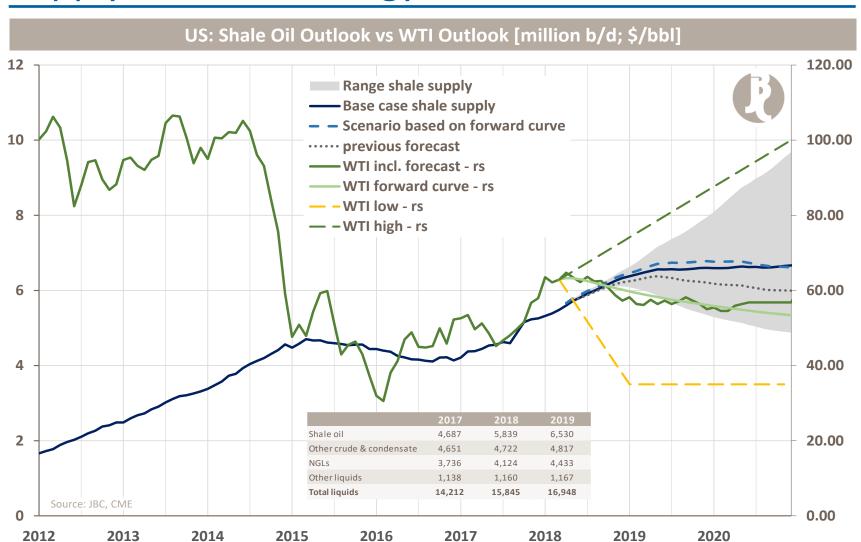
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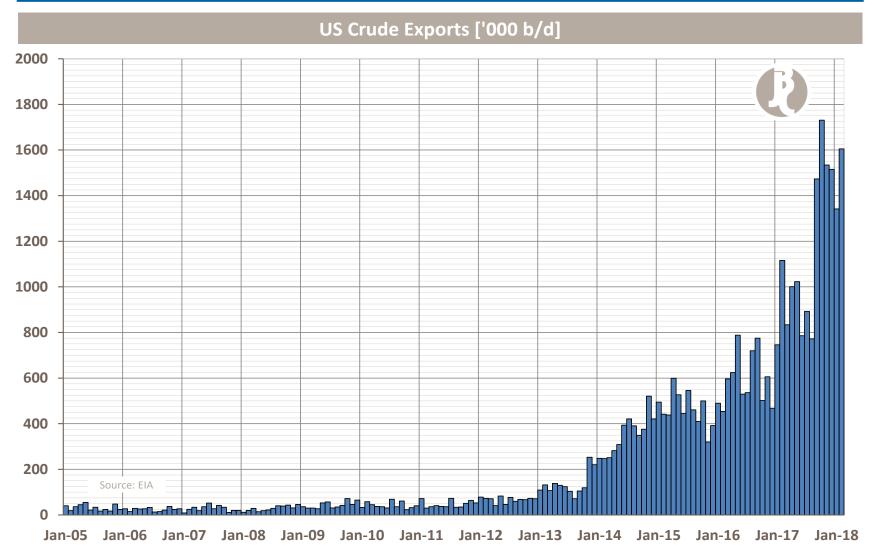
Looking only at changes to the marginal barrel and how closely prices have tracked them, it is clear that there will be downside pressure to come. Note the OPEC pressure over 2015/16 – could there be a re-run of this in the future?



Everything continues to point at a looming surge in US crude production. Expect pressure on crudes in producing areas (e.g. Permian) and a wider WTI/Brent spread. However, US exports and higher US intake may yet keep the spread from blowing out

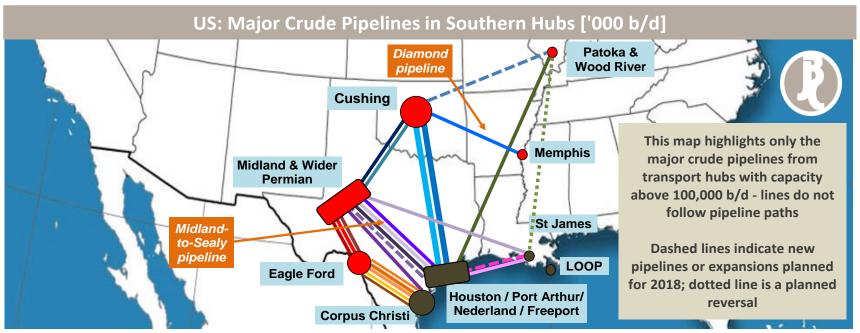


Based on massive supply additions, we forecast prices to ease over the next year, with the Q4-2017 price spike to yield more US shale production. The chart also shows potential future production paths based on prices between \$35 and \$100.



The oversupplied US market is now venting itself into the int'l market; VLCCs were recently again tested on the Texas gulf, while they are now operating out of LOOP

## Supply – United States



Out of Patoka and Wood River Region to:					
Houston Area	520	ETCO			
Out of Cushing to:					
Houston Area	700	Keystone Market Link			
	850	Seaway Twin (reversed)			
Memphis	200	Diamond			
Patoka & Wood River	345	Ozark			
Out of Louisiana to:					
Patoka	1200	Capline			

Out of Midland to:				
Cushing	140	Centurion		
	450	Basin		
Louisiana	100	Louisiana Extension		
Corpus Christi	440	EPIC		
Houston Area	100	Bridgetex		
	450	Permian Express		
	225	Longhorn		
	450	Midland to Sealy		
Eagle Ford	200	West Texas Gulf		
	100	Longview		
	390	Cactus		

Louisiana		375	Zydeco				
		480	Bayou Bridge				
Out of Eagle Ford to:							
Corpus Christi	660	60 Eagle Ford JV					
	100	Dou	ıble Eagle				
	250	Pettus-to-Corpus					
	130	Victoria Express					
	100	Rio	Bravo				

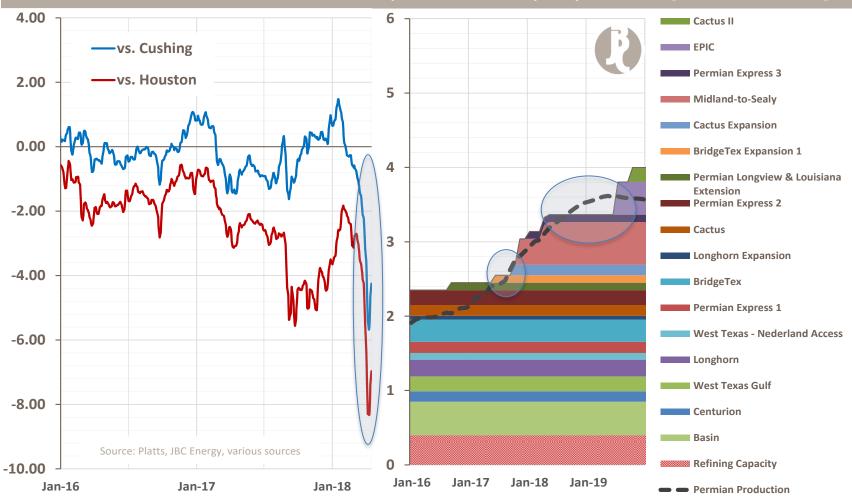
Out of Houston Area to:

Source: JBC Energy, various

The significant draws at Cushing have been enabled by the Midland-Sealy and Diamond pipelines start-ups

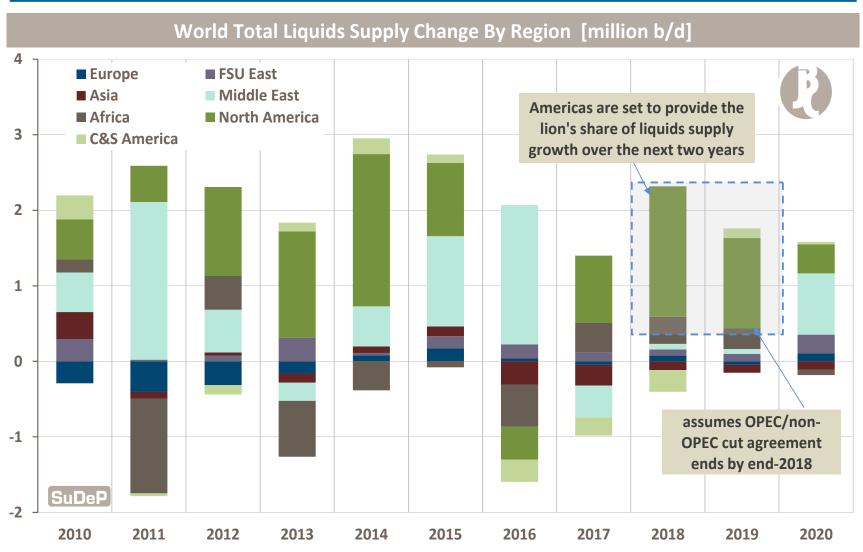
## **Supply & United States**

#### WTI Midland Price vs Other Locations and Pipeline Offtake Capacity Overview [\$/bbl; million b/d]

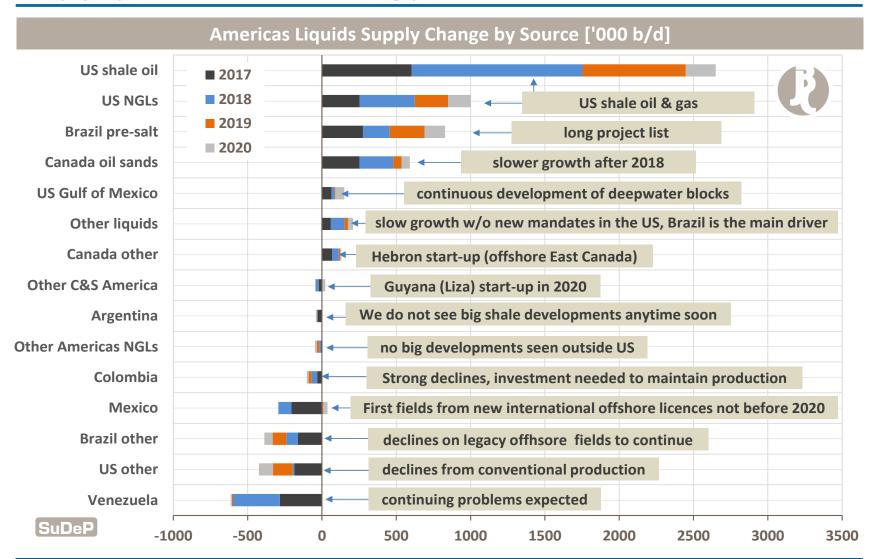


Increased offtake capacity has temporarily supported local Permian crude prices and reduced the marginal cost of delivery to the USGC, but we have already entered a period of constraints again.

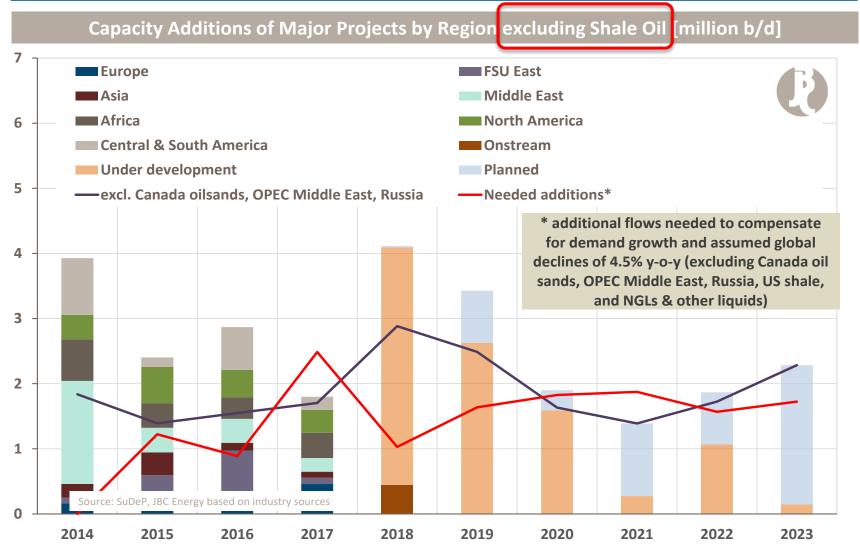
A renewed dislocation of WTI Midland, which is likely to eventually spread to the wider WTI complex and beyond amid rising US crude exports.



Americas liquids supply growth easily outweighed the OPEC/non-OPEC cuts in 2017, and with slightly higher prices there does not seem an end to it anytime soon.

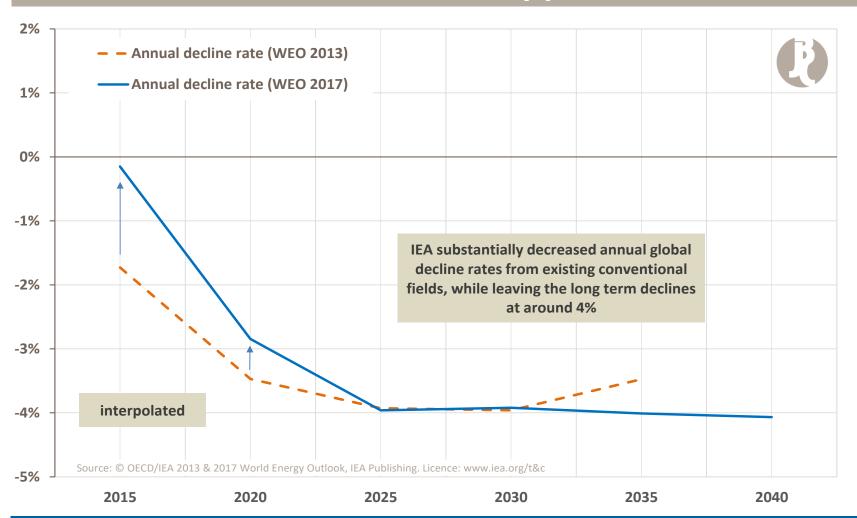


According to our assessments, US shale oil and US NGLs supply make up 2.1 million b/d of growth over the next three years

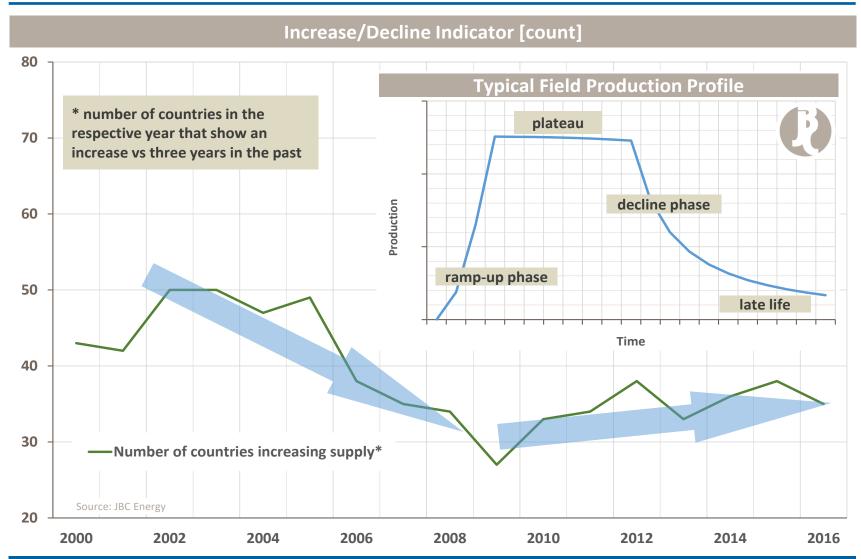


We are sceptical about how much upside support there can be when considering the full supply picture – 2018 (and potentially 2019) will see as much new supply – excluding shale oil - coming online as there was in 2014, when the price fall was triggered. (Detailed expansion list in Appendix.)

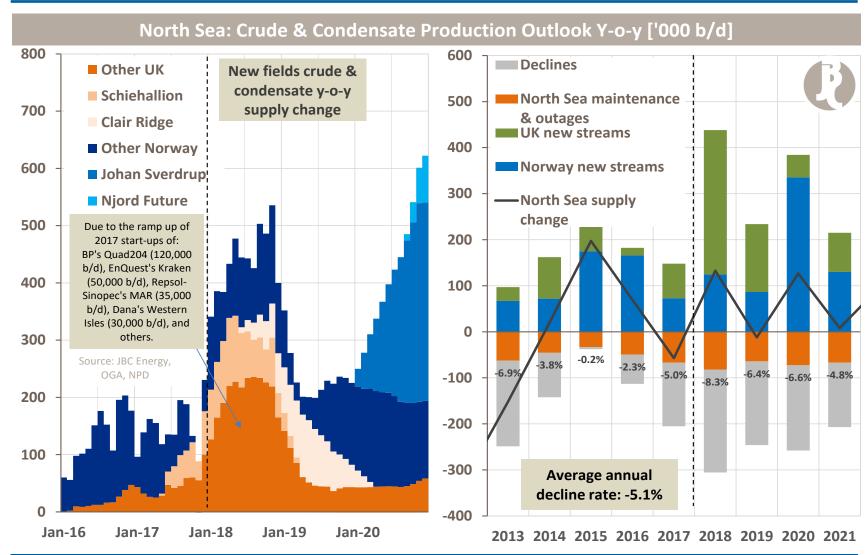
#### **IEA WEO Decline Rates [%]**



Historic decline rates have apparently been much lower than expected – also a factor of technology



A large proportion of fields are already in their 'late life' stage, so only small additions to supply would be enough to offset declines from those mature fields. Technology has also improved substantially over the last decade(s) and low oil prices do force oil companies to employ them.



One area which highlights this is the North Sea, where we are entering a phase of net growth, reversing long term declines – even though decline rates are assumed to stage a massive comeback after a period where the focus was on maximising current output.



#### **Standardisation & Other Improvements:**

Push for efficiency in the upstream sector due to the price fall

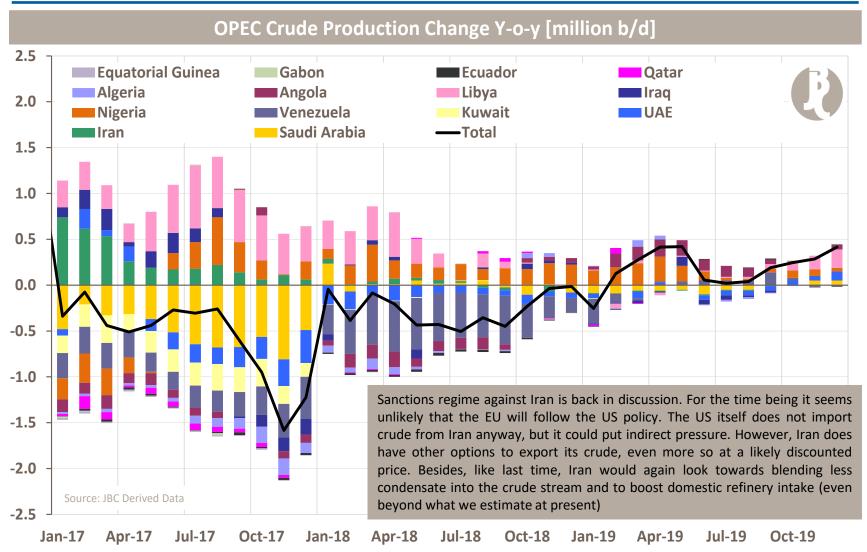
- Streamline logistics and supply chain
  - Standardisation (e.g.: joint programme by BP, Chevron, Shell to standardise production equipment)
  - Unified well design (e.g.: Statoil success at Snorre B: 3 wells drilled in a row with costs for additional capacity put below 10\$/bbl)
  - Investment into subsea boosting systems to maximize utilisation of offshore installations and debottleneck processing capacities
  - Increased rig efficiency: rigs drill about 50% more wells per months compared to 2012 thanks to pad drilling and multi-laterals
  - Slimmer designs that are closer to reality: Use of "lower" production capacity FPSOs, platforms etc lead to cost capex cuts of 30-40%, but do not have an impact on future production. Examples: Shell's Bonga SW, Statoil's Johan Castberg
  - Recent example: EnQuest was able to reduce costs for the offshore UK Kraken heavy oil project (50,000 b/d, first oil achieved in June) by over \$800 million from originally \$3.2 billion (-25%)
- Well performance optimization
  - Longer laterals (e.g. Pioneer increased lateral lengths by 1,000 m over the last two years)
  - Improved well stimulation methods (fracking) and optimization of well placement through geo-steering
- Portfolio optimization different strategies
  - Focus on sweet spots
  - But also: focus on existing assets/unlock additional volumes through Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR)
- Efficiency gains facilitated through better "more costly" technology
  - E.g.: unified well design needs more general casing design, but cost savings on logistics make up for higher cost
- Additional costs are counterbalanced by improved output and hence lower costs per barrel
  - E.g.: geo-steering needs advanced measurement while drilling (MWD), such tools are very expensive
  - EOR: the costs of the process of e.g. polymer injection and recapturing must be seen in context of additional flows

→ More "expensive" technology might lead to lower costs per barrel!



The cost of planned projects fell dramatically over the last couple of years. A number of previously shelved projects have been revisited and lower price tags have been achieved. Some prominent examples:

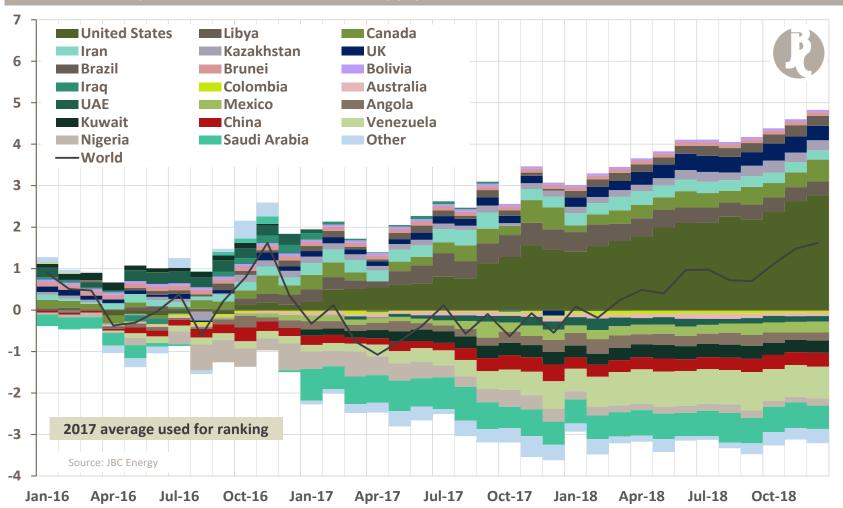
- Mad Dog 2 (BP, Gulf of Mexico, 140,000 b/d)
  - Original breakeven: \$100/bbl
  - Current breakeven estimates: \$50/bbl
- Johan Castberg (Statoil, Barents Sea, 190,000 b/d)
  - Original breakeven: \$80/bbl
  - Current breakeven estimates: \$35/bbl
- Tengiz Expansion (Chevron, Kazakhstan, 260,000 b/d)
  - Current breakeven estimates: \$50/bbl
- Peregrino Phase 2 (Statoil, Brazil, 100,000 b/d)
  - Original breakeven: \$70/bbl
  - Current breakeven estimates: \$45/bbl
- Kraken (EnQuest, UKCS, 50,000 b/d)
  - Original breakeven: \$75/bbl
  - Current breakeven estimates: \$35/bbl
- Veslefrikk (Statoil, North Sea, online since 1989, current output: 6,500 b/d)
  - Was planned to be shut down in 2018 due to costs
  - Extension project: first until 2020, now until 2025



We expect OPEC a) OPEC to continue the cut also beyond 2018 and b) compliance to remain high over the course of 2018 at least.

Additions are expected from Libya and Nigeria, while we see Venezuela declining further.





The downside revisions to OPEC supply made as a result of the cut agreement have been largely counterbalanced by revisions elsewhere, even with the help of lower-than-expected Venezuelan and Angolan supply. From here on US shale might make the difference.

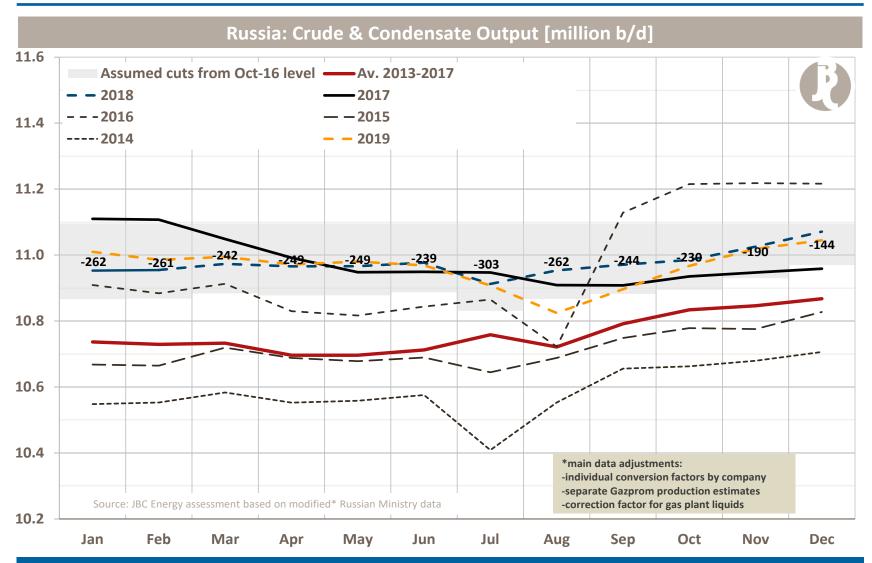
OPEC/non-OPEC - Compliance ['000 b/d; %]

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	Q1 2018 average	Original cut pledge*	Reference*	Current target production level	Change compared to reference	Compliance
Algeria	1,007	-50	1,091	1,041	-84	169%
Angola	1,525	-78	1,745	1,667	-220	282%
Ecuador	512	-26	543	541	-31	121%
Equatorial Guinea	130	-12	140	128	-10	83%
Gabon	200	-9	203	194	-3	33%
ran	3,817	90	3,707	3,797	110	82%
raq	4,467	-210	4,571	4,361	-104	50%
Kuwait	2,702	-131	2,848	2,717	-146	112%
Qatar	590	-30	645	615	-55	183%
Saudi Arabia	9,945	-486	10,566	10,080	-621	128%
JAE	2,842	-139	3,068	2,929	-226	163%
/enezuela	1,623	-95	2,072	1,977	-449	472%
OPEC-12	29,358	-1,176	31,199	30,023	-1,841	157%
Azerbaijan	805	-35	832	797	-27	78%
Bahrain	207	-10	211	201	-4	37%
Brunei	91	-4	108	104	-17	415%
Kazakhstan	1,894	-20	1,766	1,746	128	-639%
Vlalaysia	628	-20	638	618	-11	53%
Vlexico	1,901	-100	2,105	2,005	-204	204%
Oman	966	-45	1,012	967	-46	101%
Russia	10,960	-300	11,215	10,915	-255	85%
Sudan	80	-4	78	74	3	-64%
South Sudan	116	-8	113	105	4	-47%
Non-OPEC-10	17.649	-546	18.077	17.531	-428	78%
Total OPEC / non-OPEC	47,007	-1,722	49,276	47,554	-2,269	132%

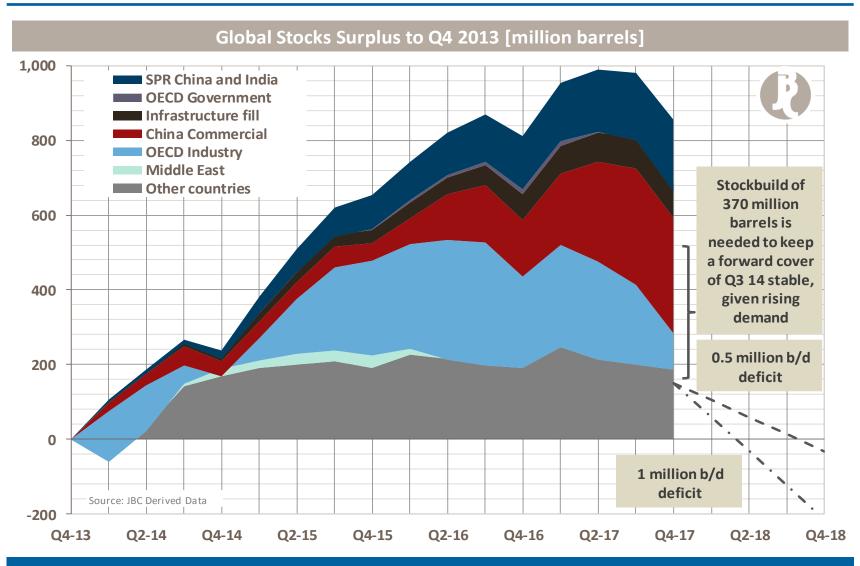
\*OPEC cut pledge and references according to "Vienna agreement" from 30-Nov-16; Iran is allowed to increase output by 90,000 b/d compared to reference; total non-OPEC cut pledge according to ministerial meeting on 10-Dec-16; non-OPEC cut allocations according to individual reported statements, which do not add up to total; non-OPEC reference is JBC Energy crude and condensate production assessment for Oct-16 (Kazakhstan: Nov-16; Azerbaijan Jan-16 to Nov-16 average); Equatorial Guinea part of OPEC since Jun-17; Ecuador changed target production to 541,000 b/d in August.

Source: JBC Energy

### In contrast to OPEC, non-OPEC compliance is lacking.

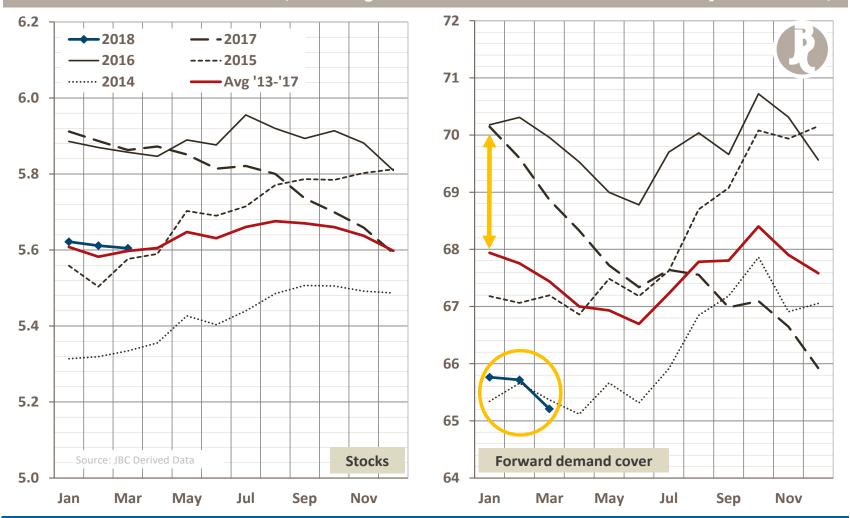


Particularly in Russia – with new streams coming online – compliance is becoming increasingly difficult.

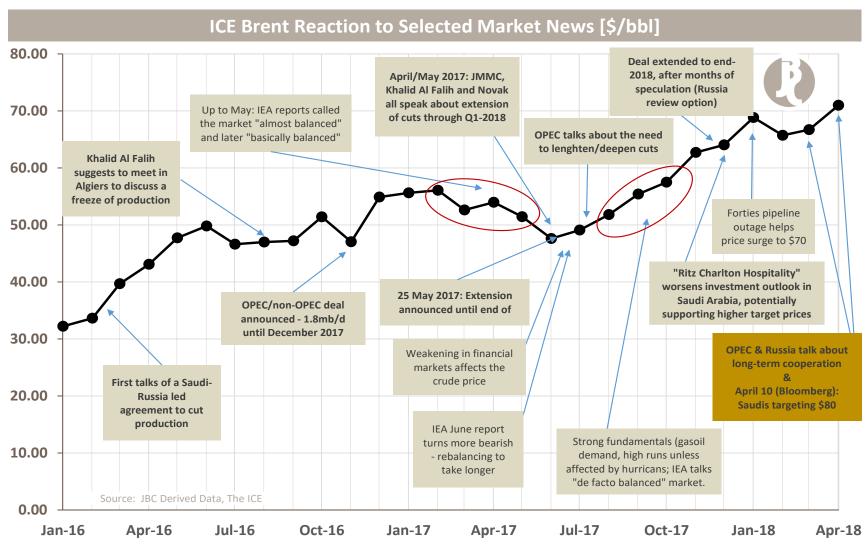


Global stock levels are getting close to were OPEC has set its target to...

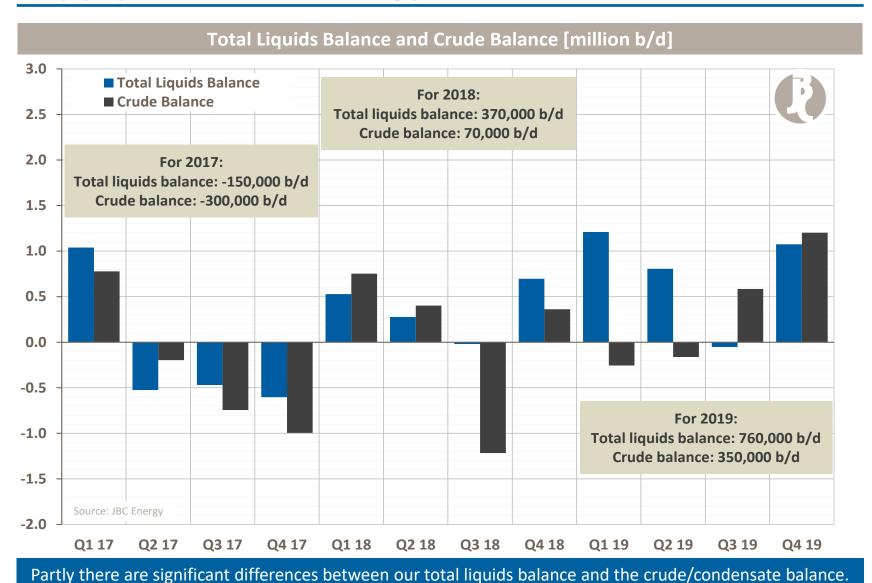
Total Global Observed Oil Stocks, Excluding China: Level vs. Forward Demand Cover [billion barrels,

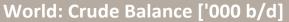


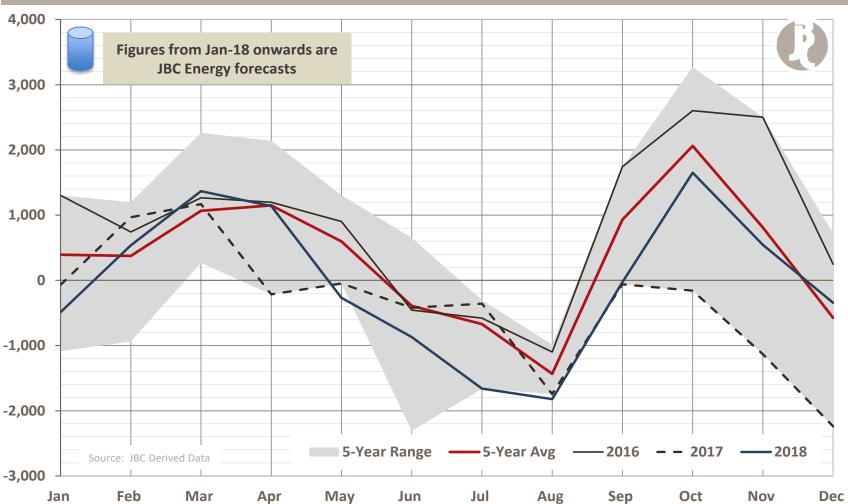
...but OPEC is not yet fully satisfied with the market tightening observed so far, considering adjusted measures (e.g. 7-year average). Meanwhile, excluding China from our inventory calculations, forward cover is already massively below the 5-year average.



Even though the upwards path of prices is in line with a fundamental improvement, the market has also been pretty reactive to OPEC talk. The price target appears to now be \$80+ instead of the initial \$40-60.

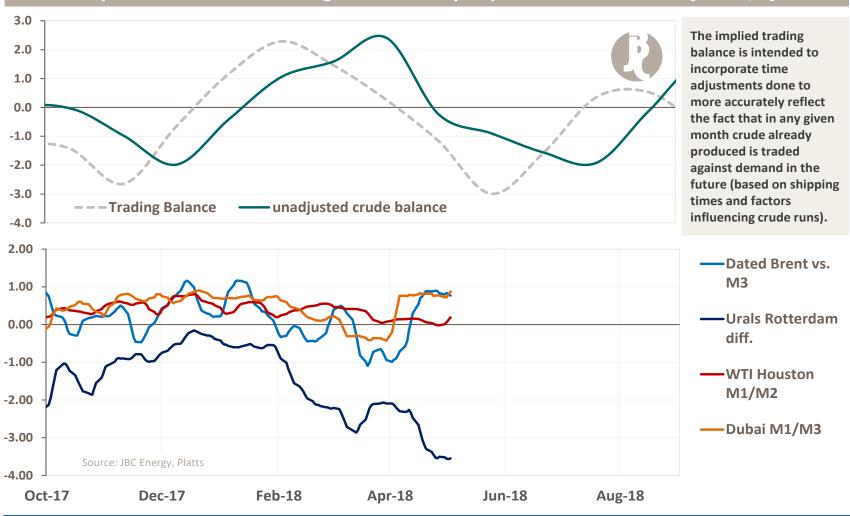






By now the crude balance picture looks pretty supportive and also starts to feed through slowly into physical crude markets, which most support expected from next month onwards.

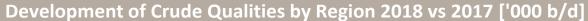
### Implied Global Crude Trading Balance & Key Physical Crude Indicators ['000 b/d]

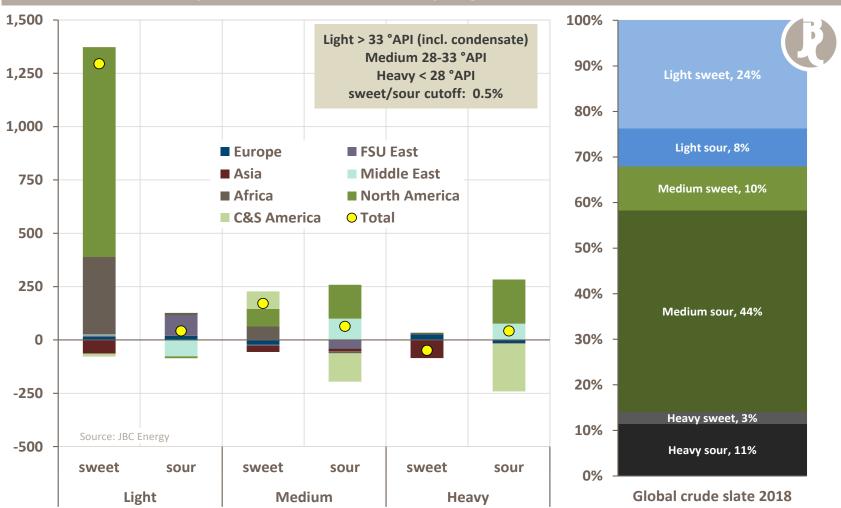


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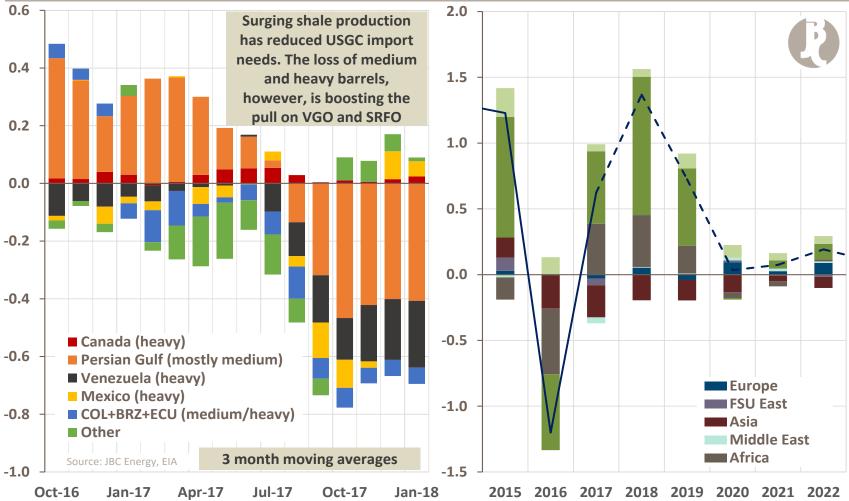
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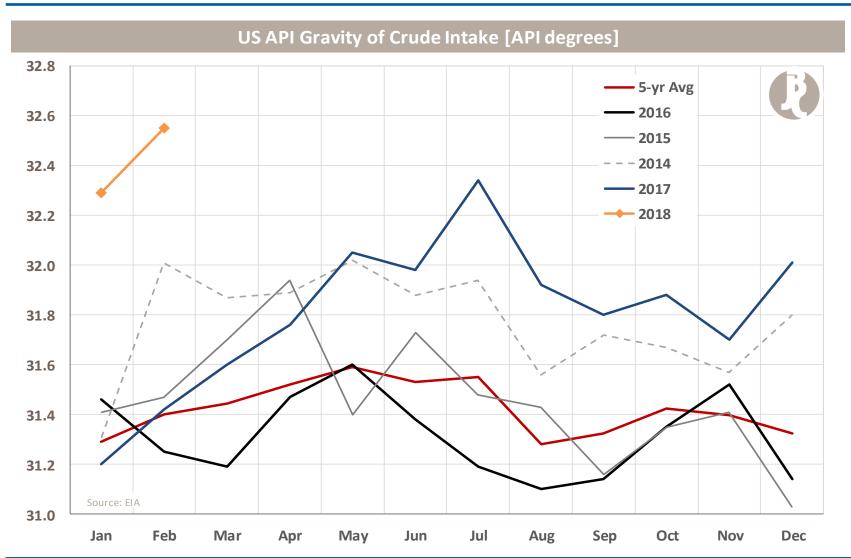


Global crude qualities are changing strongly, based on OPEC action, Venezuela disappointments and the US shale boom



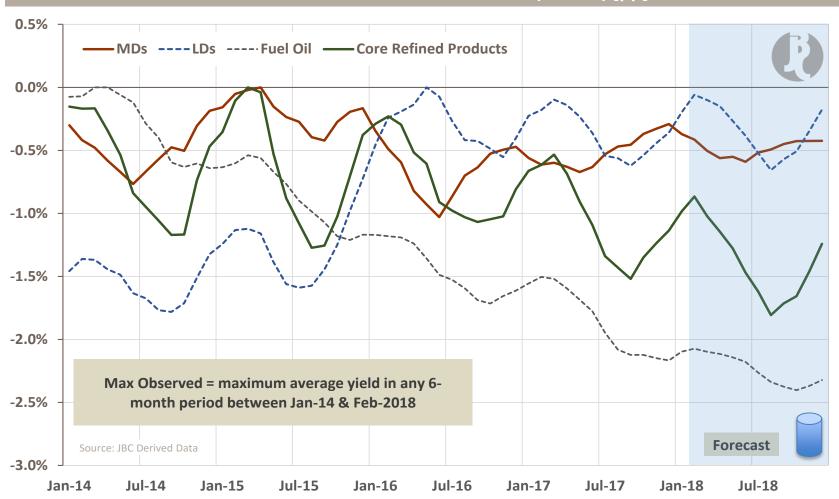


This is exposing the high-conversion US Gulf Coast particularly to swift change.

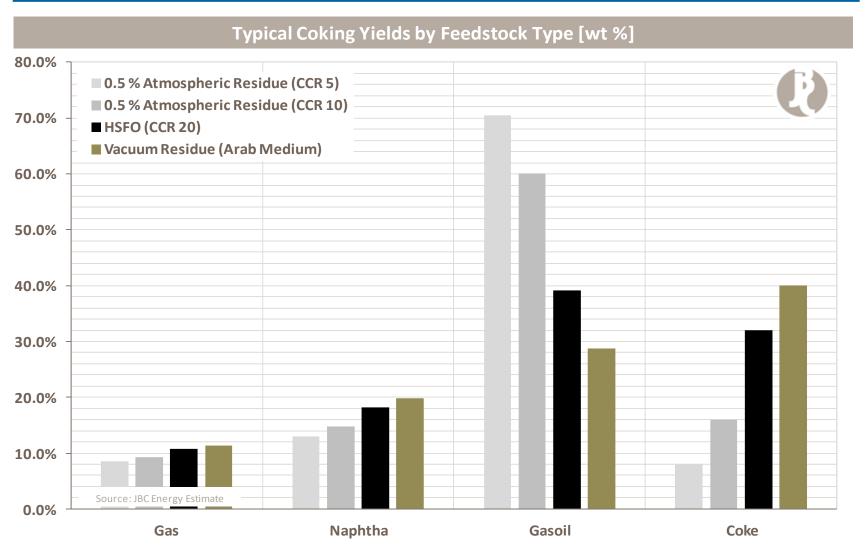


A lightening crude slate on the back of soaring production hints at a overall decline in conversion gains and make it more difficult to fill conversion units given their low residue yields, hence enhanced need for secondary feedstock => more LD output, less MD output

### Global Crude Yields vs Max Observed (6MMA) [pp]

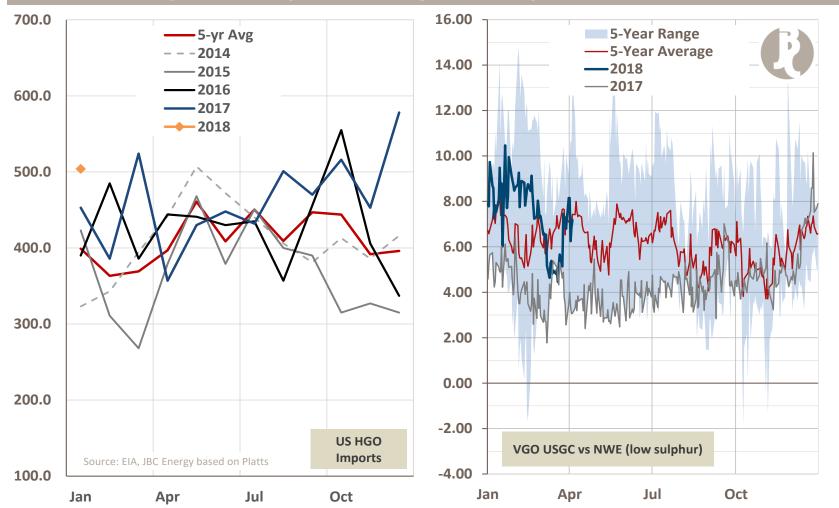


At the same time globally a lot of conversion capacity has been added, largely eliminating an international market for straight-run fuel oil as a feedstock. This (→ fewer conversion gains) lead to lower core refined product yields.



It might well be that something we expected for 2020 (IMO) is already happening now: the increased use of cracked fuel oils (HSFO) as coker feedstock (as more suitable feeds move towards other conversion units) – resulting in higher LPG, naphtha and coke yields, but less gasoil.

### US Imports of Heavy Gas Oils & Regional VGO Spreads ['000 b/d; \$/bbl]

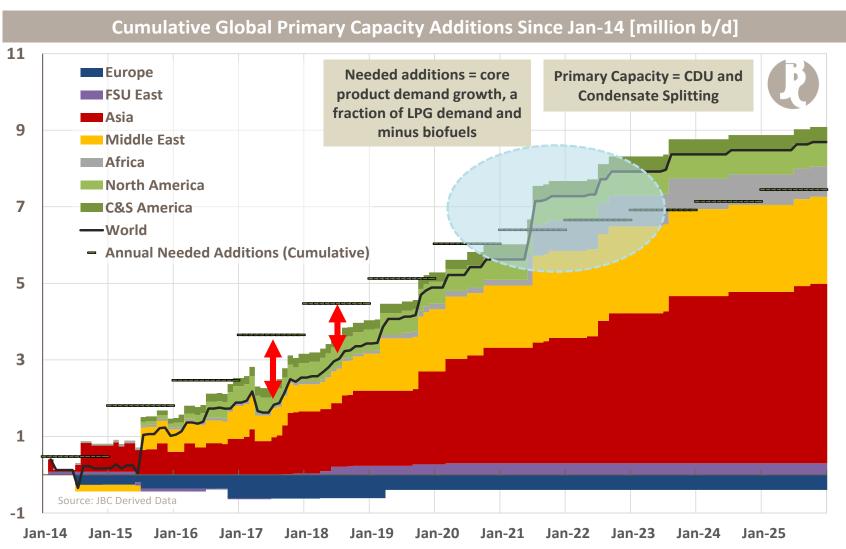


US heavy gas oil imports surged since last summer (heavy crude imports falling strongly) to make up for the lack of secondary feeds. By now this has led to much higher pricing illustrating the limitations. Ultimately atmospheric gasoil will land more frequently in conversion units, weighing on diesel yields.



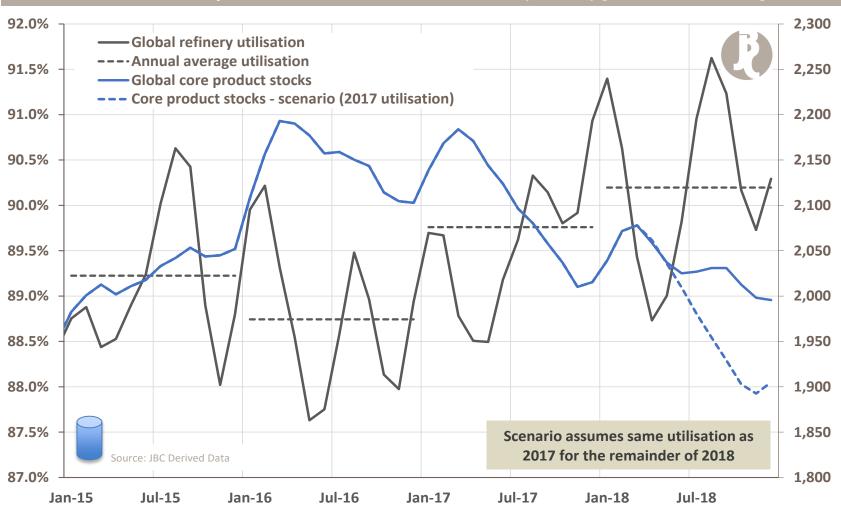
# 2018: Tight Product Supply

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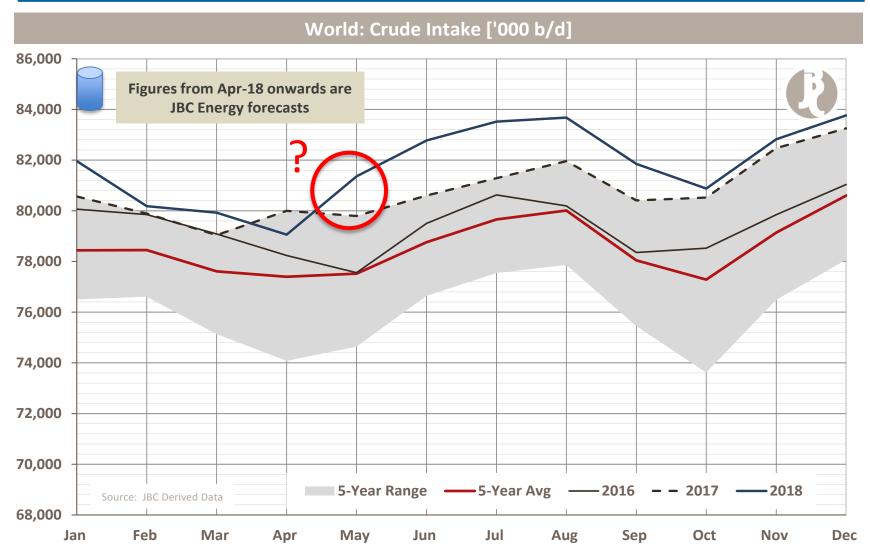


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### Global Refinery Utilisation & Core Product Stocks (3MMA) [%; million barrels]

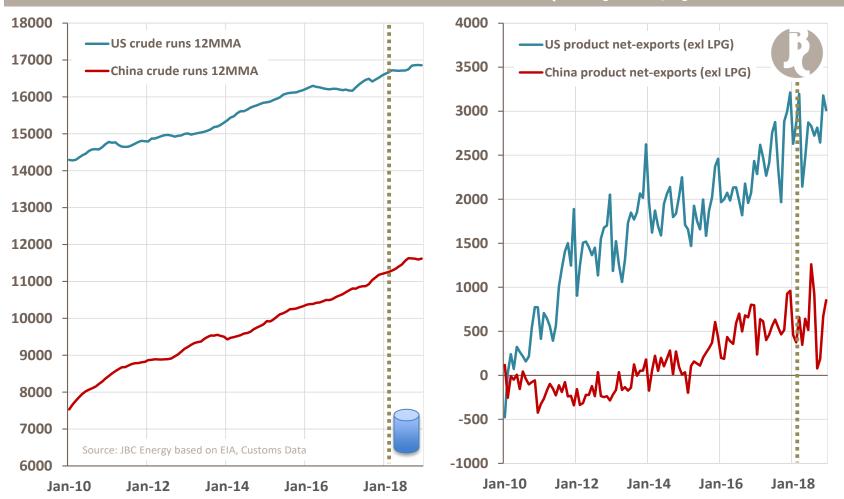


If we don't see any y-o-y growth in utilisation, refined product stocks will again fall strongly. But is another rise in utilisation feasible? It would result in the highest outright utilisation level in a decade.

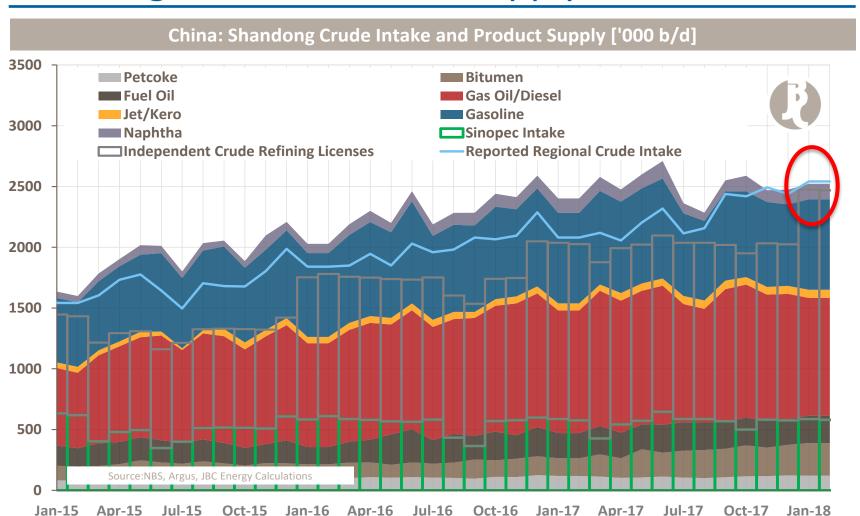


If we begin to see strong crude runs in May once maintenance eases, we may see cracks dampened a bit for the summer. However, any disappointment or outage could spell a strong few months as early inventory draws have lowered FWDC.

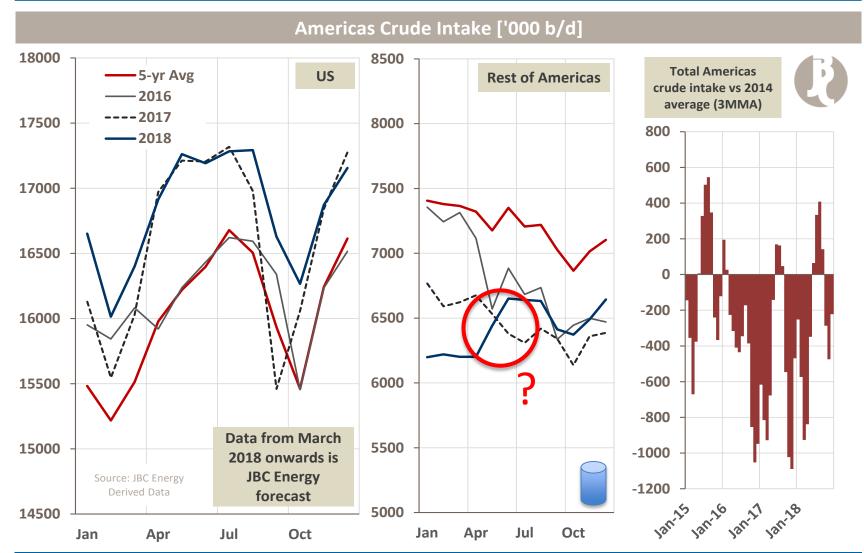




Both the US and China have rapidly expanded core refined product exports on the back of high runs. However, this has been easily digested by regions such as Latin America. Chinese exports may be at risk from new tax regimes, but the market is likely to need marginal barrels from these two places.



Quotas granted for 2018 should allow Shandong refiners to maintain last year's levels, but increased difficulties for refiners without licenses/quotas to source crude should weigh on the potential upside to refinery runs. Chinese data should now be much better than in the past.



While the US has been able to increase refinery runs so far ytd, we question how much room there is to run higher vs last year in the key summer months. Overall it is striking to see that all US crude run upside over recent years has been "consumed" by LatAm markets.



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### **IMO** Update





### 2020 Bunker Regulation - "A Refined View"

- Limiting sulphur emissions from bunker fuel use to 0.5% globally in 2020 will impose substantial challenges on the industry, with a sustainable solution only likely to develop over a number of years. But the high level of uncertainty and presumably sharp and volatile price reactions will provide healthy margins to those in the industry who are positioned on the right side at the right time.
- The refining sector will be key to the provision of compliant bunker fuel in 2020, as scrubbers will not find widespread implementation by 2020 and thus will need time to re-establish HSFO as the main bunker fuel.
- Refiners will be able to provide sufficient compliant bunker fuel oil based on the
  available set-up and crude diet. But the knock-on effect of altered operations on
  crude and other product fundamentals will be significant, with strong price signals
  needed to provide the required incentives. The use of surplus HSFO will be one of the
  critical components in finding short-term and longer-term equilibria.

#### Deliverable & Scope

- JBC Energy will provide a 100+ page study in pdf format, consisting of text and charts as well as some xls material. A brief scope is available on the back page.
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### **IMO** Update

### 2020 Bunker Regulation - "A Refined View"

### Multi-Client Study - SCOPE

15 Mar. 18

#### Executive Summary

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First estimates of compliant bunker fuel production potential in 2020

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Potential help from storage plays

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Other reconfigurations & yield shifts

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Bunker Supply by stream and region

Demand & supply implications for other products

Implications for crude fundamentals and markets

Price outlook (crude, compliant bunker fuel, HSFO, SRFO, VGO, main other products, refining margins)

Conclusions

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#### Medium-Term Bunker Demand Outlook

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Scrubber uptake forecast

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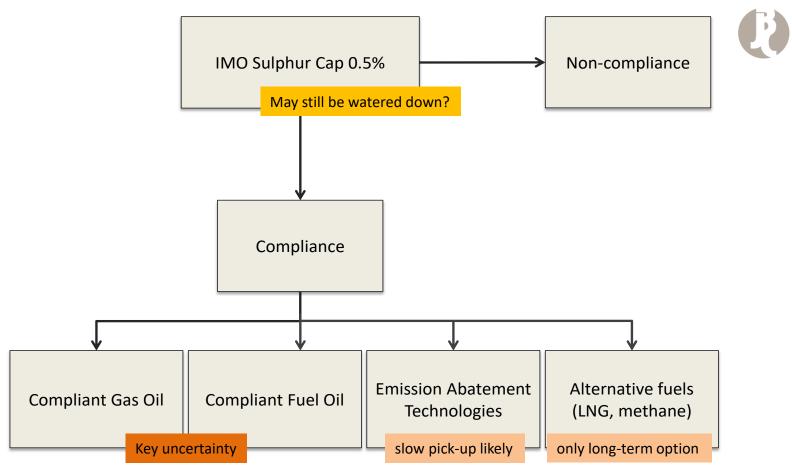
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Basic xIs data compilation (consisting of supply/demand/trade tables on an annual basis from 2015-2025 for fuel oil (as of 2019 split into 0.5% and high-sulphur fuel oil), gas oil, jet/kero, gasoline, naphtha, LPG and other products, as well as crude and refining capacity data; additionally for 2016, 2020 and 2025 bunker fuel supply by components, such as SRFO, cracked FOs and cutter stocks)

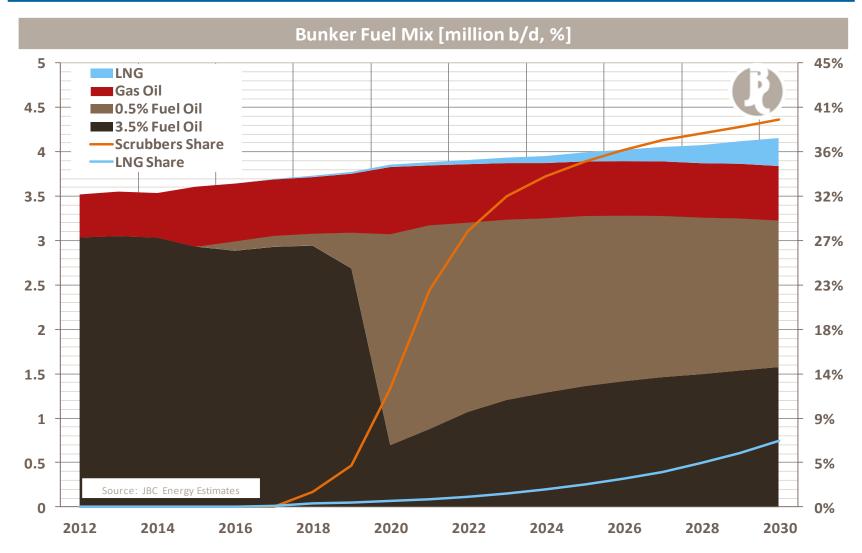
Extended xis data compilations & other tailor-made follow-up available on request (e.g. country data, more detailed stream analysis, crude price forecasts for different grades).

### **Post-2020 Options for Ship Operators**



Source: JBC Energy

The 2020 bunker fuel legislation (fuel or emissions from ships around the world are limited to 0.5% sulphur) will pose a huge challenge to the market, with various options for the shipping industry and no need for the refining industry to react (unlike national spec changes).

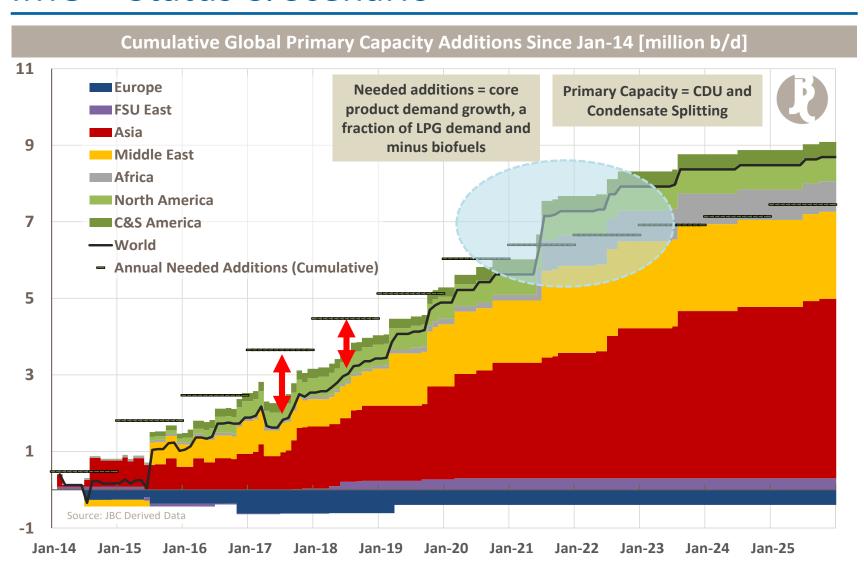


We are convinced that fuel oil will remain the solution in the short-term (primarily LSFO) and also in the long run with a significant contribution from scrubbers (return to increasing volumes of HSFO).

### **IMO** Update

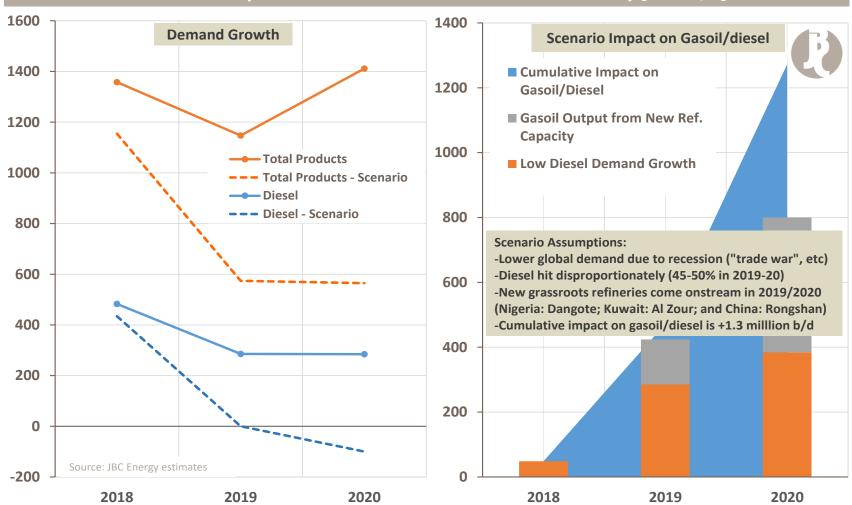


- Fuel oil/bunker operations are not business-essential for most refiners
- The refining industry is operating close to (realistic) capacity limits
  - Unlikely to change by 2020 as project pipeline is relatively thin and delays are frequent
  - It is impossible to build new conversion units between now and 2020
- → IMO challenge to be handled with existing system (incl. 2018/19 additions)
  - New bunker fuel requirement to be met by adjusting product yields or qualities to demand pattern, requiring a fuel oil solution due to the lack of spare conversion capacity
  - The alternative of adding bunker gas oil on top of current product slate is not viable because:
    - What happens to the unused HSFO?
    - Hiking crude runs substantially is not feasible due to capacity limitations
    - Even if so: what happens with 50%+ share of other product supply additions?



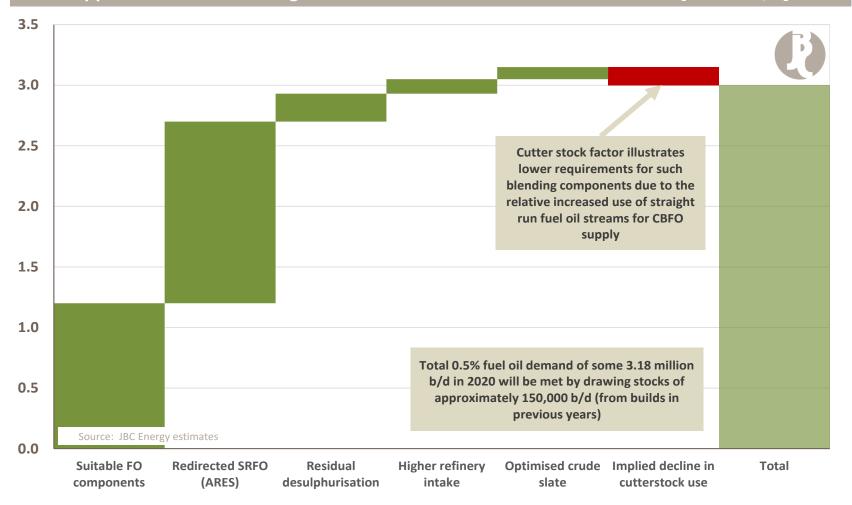
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### Scenario Analysis - Demand Growth and Diesel Availability ['000 b/d]

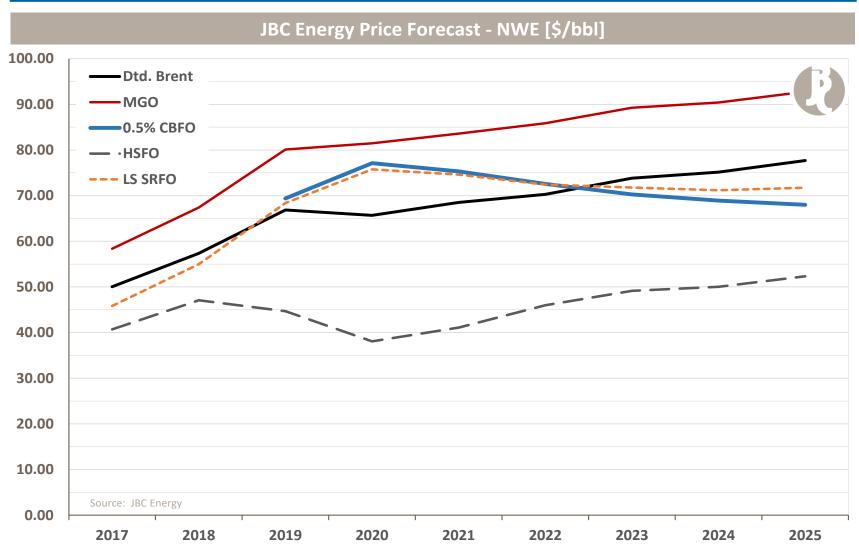


While our view on a fuel oil-based solution is becoming the consensus view, there is still a chance that markets develop differently. We have built a scenario highlighting risks to the global core product demand outlook which could leave more room for gasoil in bunkering.

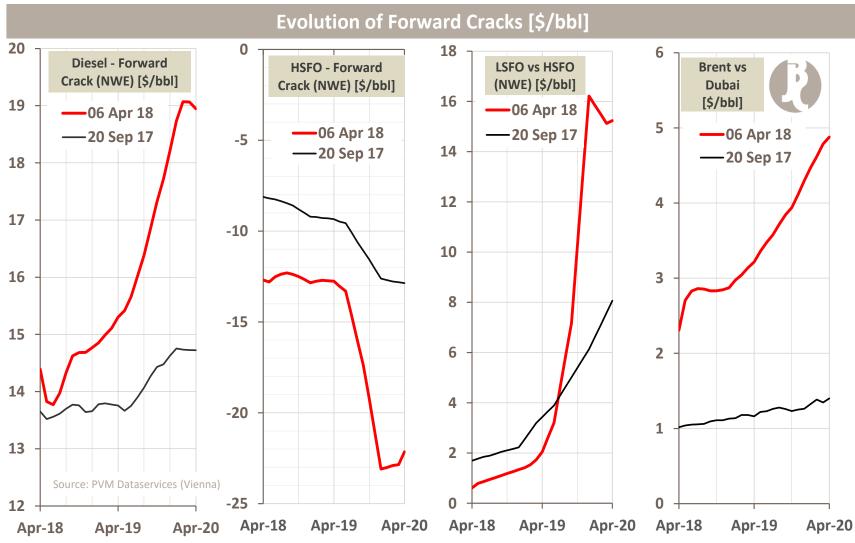
### Approximate Contributing Factors to 0.5% Fuel Oil Production in 2020 [million b/d]



Theoretically there are abundant low-sulphur fuel oil streams in refining. It is a question of what prices are required to adjust operations and how to handle changed feedstock flows and higher sulphur levels technically.

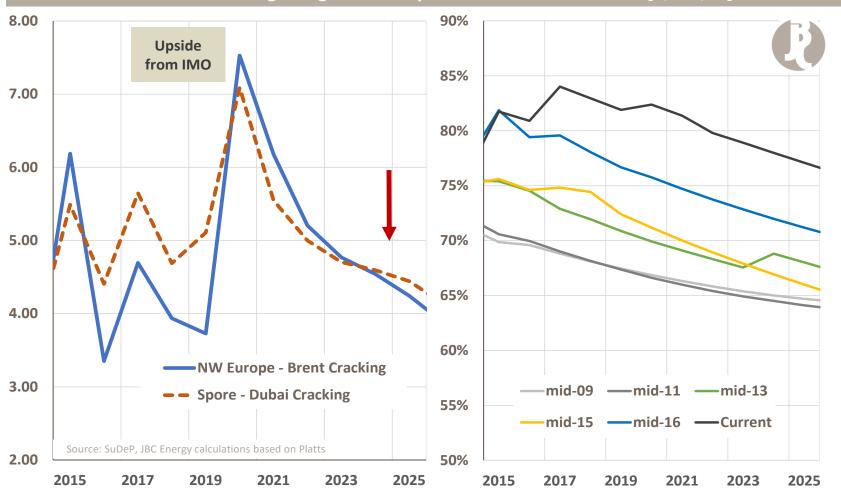


The necessary price incentives to cope with the 2020 bunker challenge include deep discounts for HSFO and initially strong premiums for low-sulphur fuel oil, which nonetheless still prices significantly below marine gas oil.



We are already seeing the effects of the upcoming IMO regulations in forward pricing in various differentials, largely in line with the findings of our IMO study.

### Selected Cracking Margins & European Utilisation Forecasts [\$/bbl, %]



We have had to revise up our estimates for European utilisation in light of delays to expansions in recent years. But substantial pressure should come to reduce runs in the post-2020 period.



### JBC Energy study view so far solidly confirmed:

- The refining industry is able to supply compliant fuel
  - It is also the most likely candidate to take care of the majority of the HSFO problem
  - But it will be a huge challenge
- Diesel cracks and refining margins in general will benefit from the IMO shift
- Ultimately, the compliant bunker fuel will be a 0.5% fuel oil (blend)
  - It should not be possible to sell both a gasoil-based and a largely fuel oil-based bunker fuel in the same location at different prices.

### ...But challenges remain

- Scrubber uncertainty
- Implementation uncertainty
- Compliance



### Scrubber Viability

- High Adoption (according to our economic calculations)
  - HSFO demand comeback and long-term stability in price
  - · Refining industry normalises over time with lower incentives to install conversion capacity

### Low Adoption

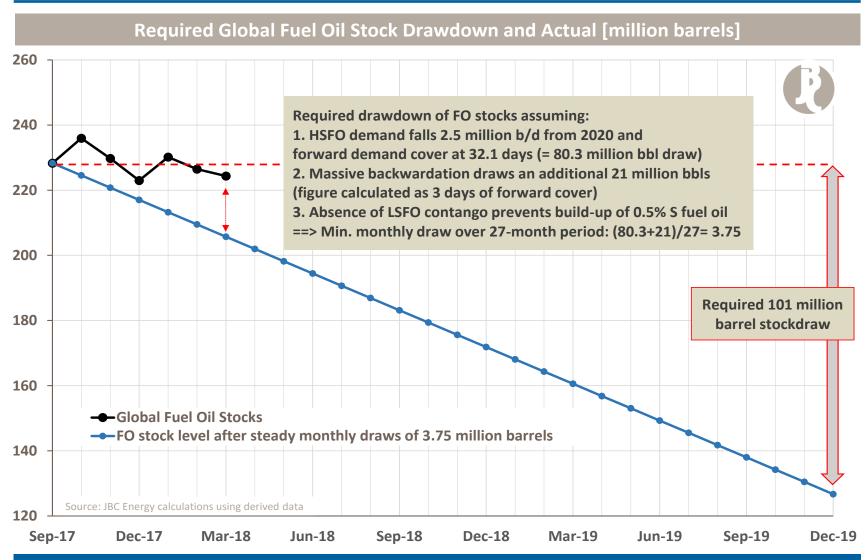
- What is the actual viability of open-loop & closed-loop systems?
- Concerns about long-term HSFO quality and further specification changes coming up
- The post-2020 refining path is one of high conversion and residue desulphurisation. HSFO largely disappears

### Implementation

- Delays to IMO regulations?
  - Some precedent Ballast Water Management Systems (delayed by 2 years, 2 months before implementation)
- Are too many parties not subject to regulation?
  - Ability to bunker HSFO in non-party states. But IMO may ban all ships from carrying HSFO unless they have an scrubber installed

### Compliance

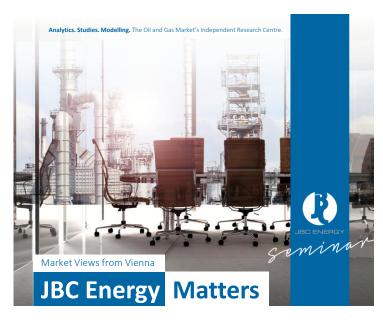
- Costs/benefits:
  - Benefit: short-term fuel cost savings
  - Costs (potential): reputational damage, ship banning, penalties (minor), reputational interest of ports, bunkering insurance companies, captains are personally liable
- Ship tracking easily available and can spot bunkering in non-party states
- Overall relevance of a few non-compliant market participants is probably marginal



The necessary liquidation of stocks will offset any tightness in the market, keeping FO cracks depressed

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