

Oil Market and Recession: The Short and the Long Term

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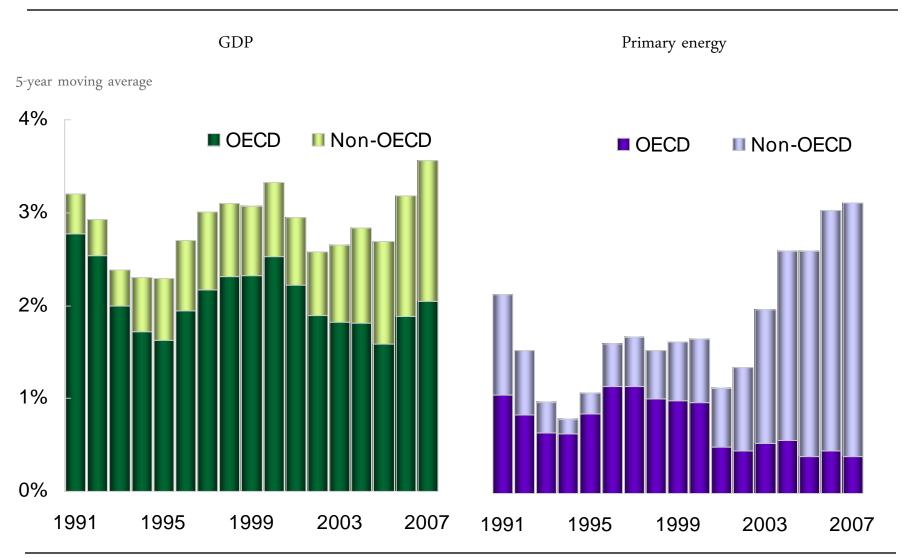
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Long Term: Contributions to Demand Growth



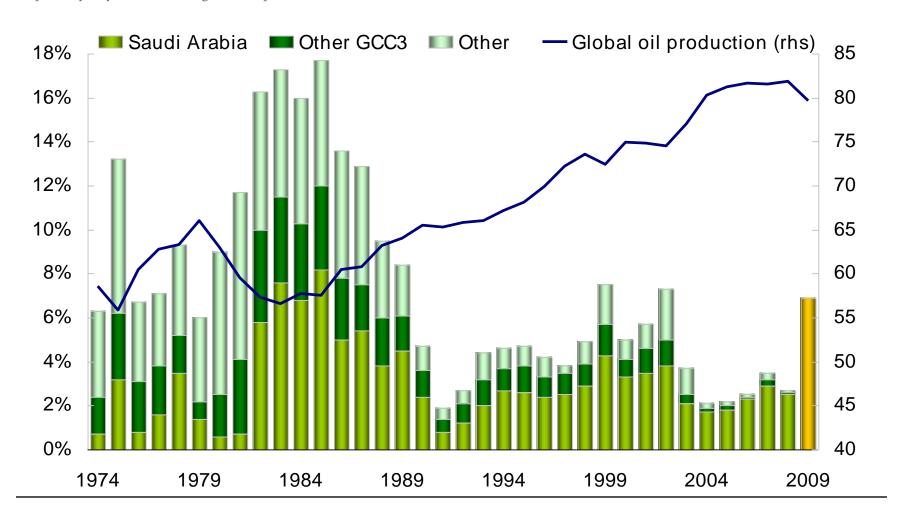


Long Term: OPEC Spare Capacity



Spare capacity as a share of global oil production

Mb/d



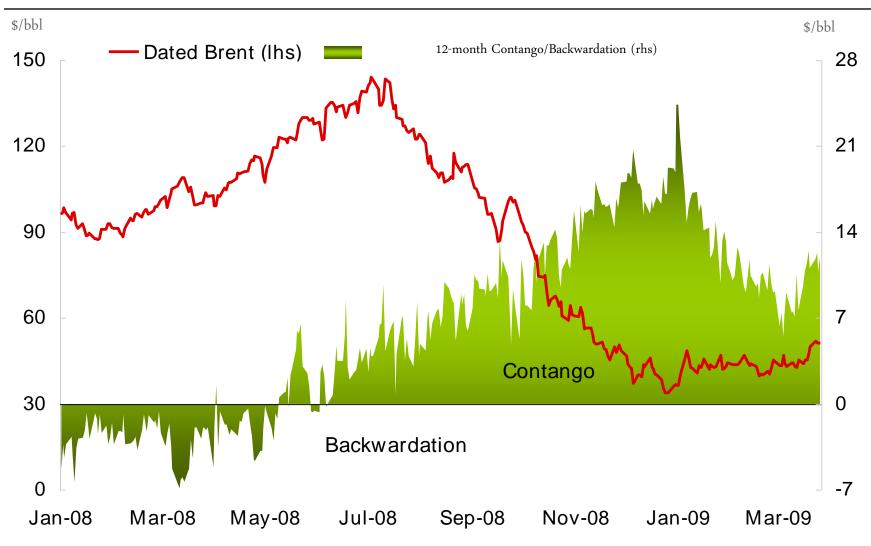
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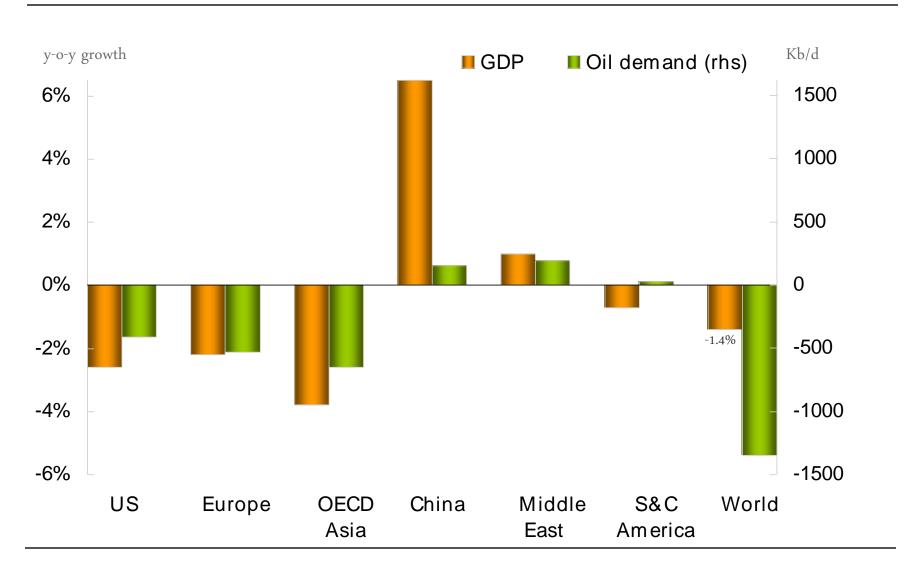
Crude Price: What Happened?





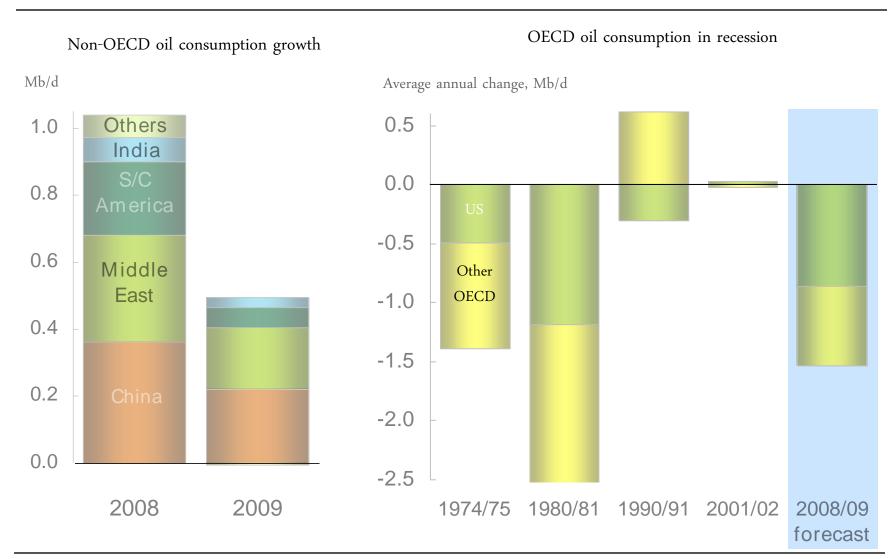
2009: GDP and Oil Demand Growth





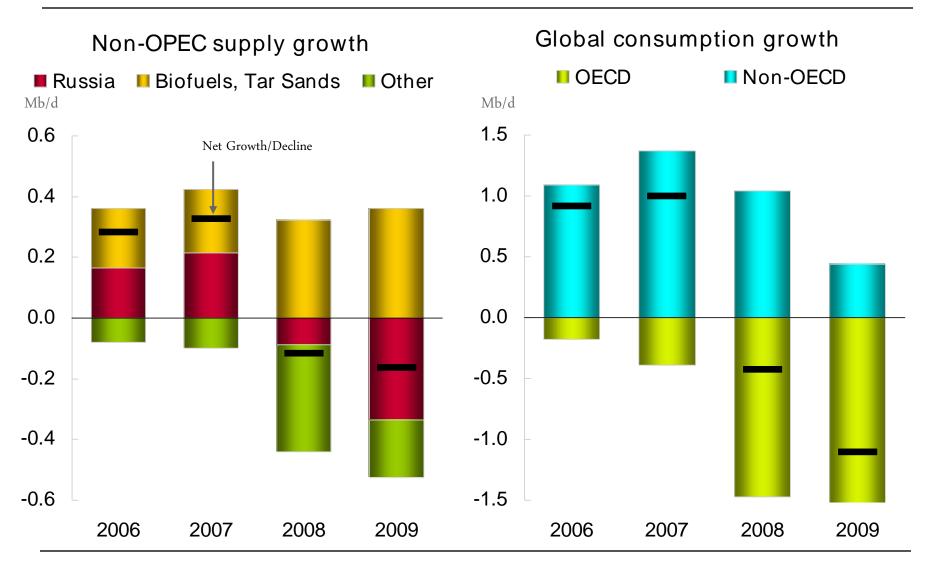
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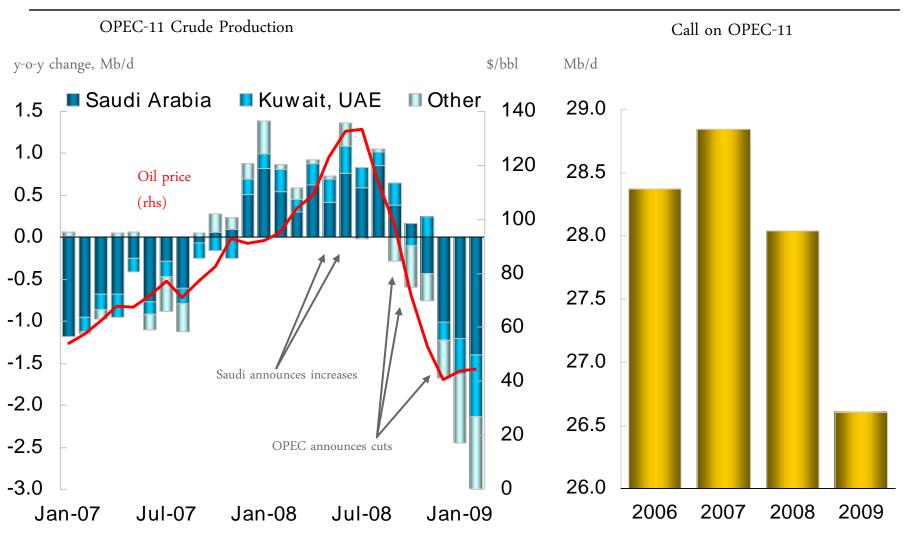
Non-OPEC Weakness Leaves Key to OPEC





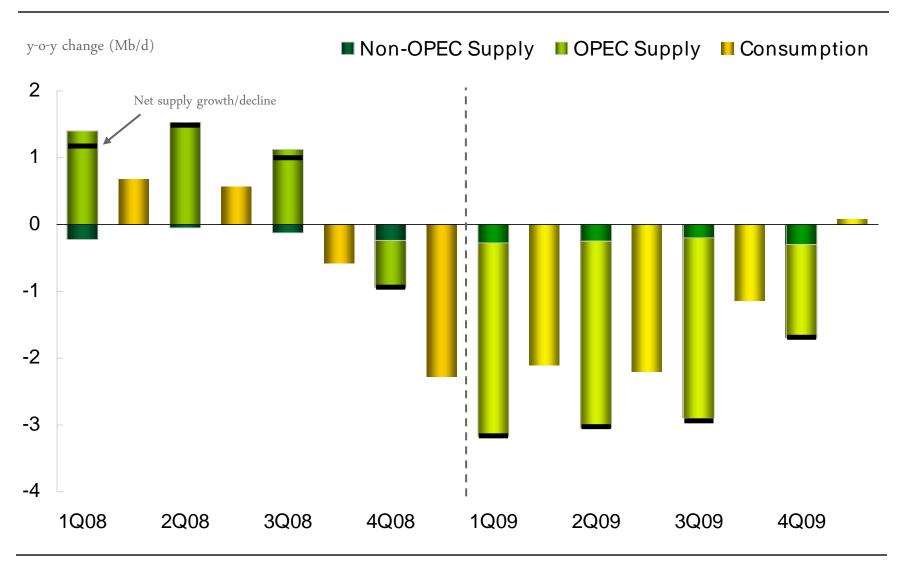
OPEC Production Management, 2007-09





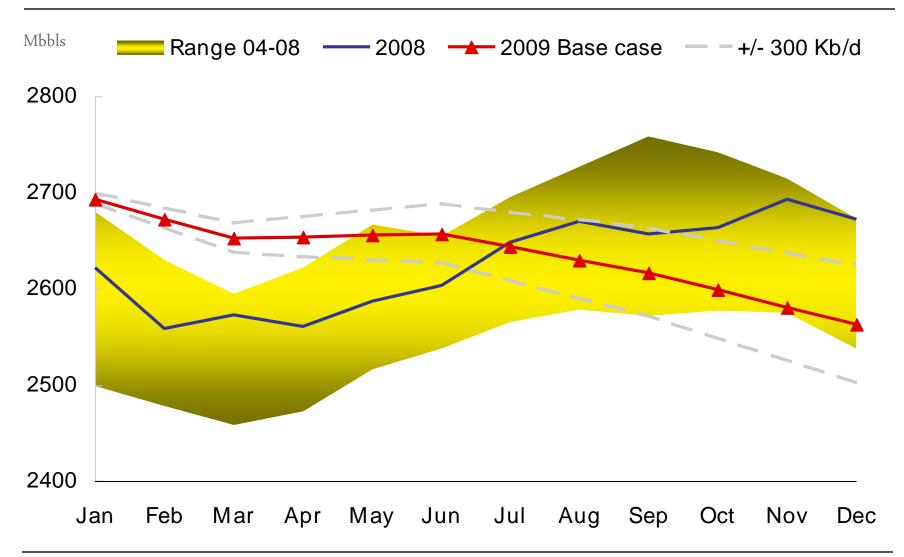
The Race Against Falling Demand





2009: OECD Commercial Inventories





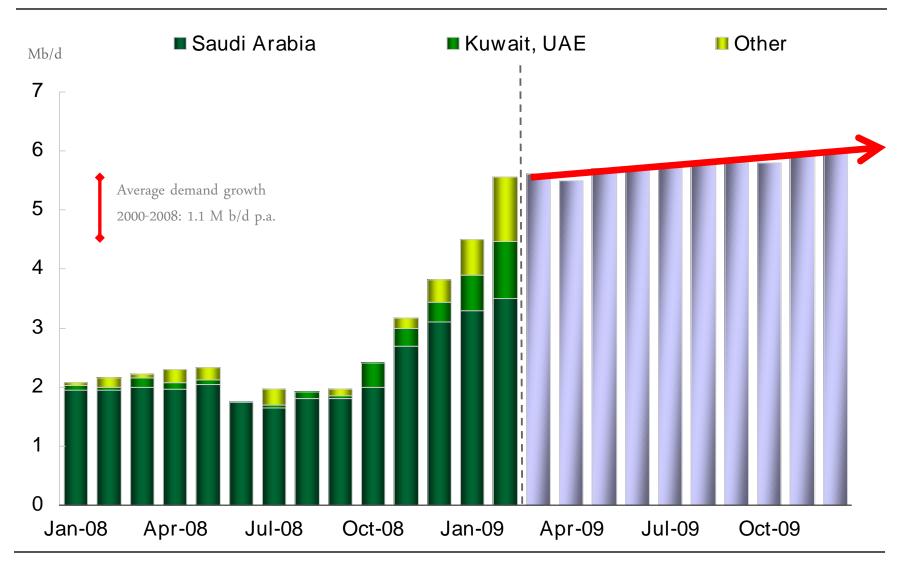
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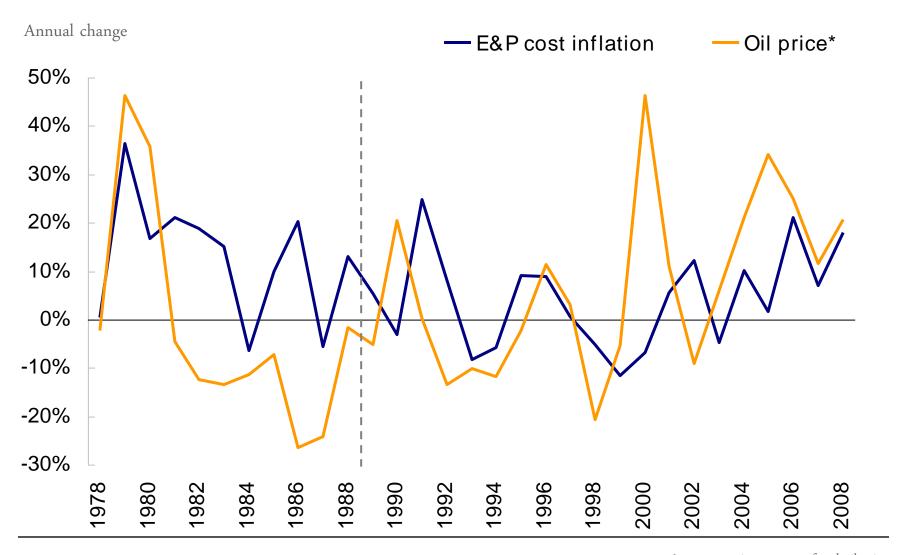
The Spare Capacity Challenge





The Cost Challenge

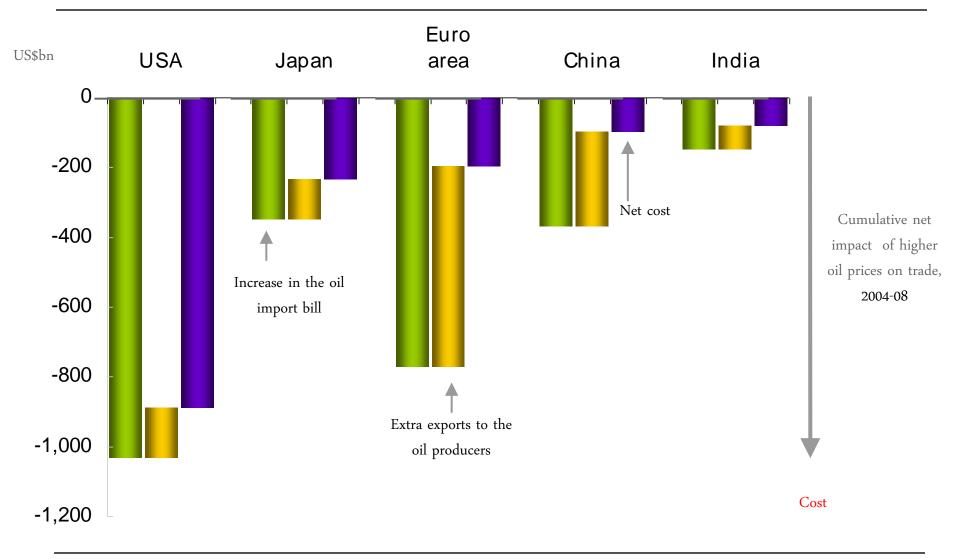




^{* 2-}year moving average of real oil prices

The Economic Challenge

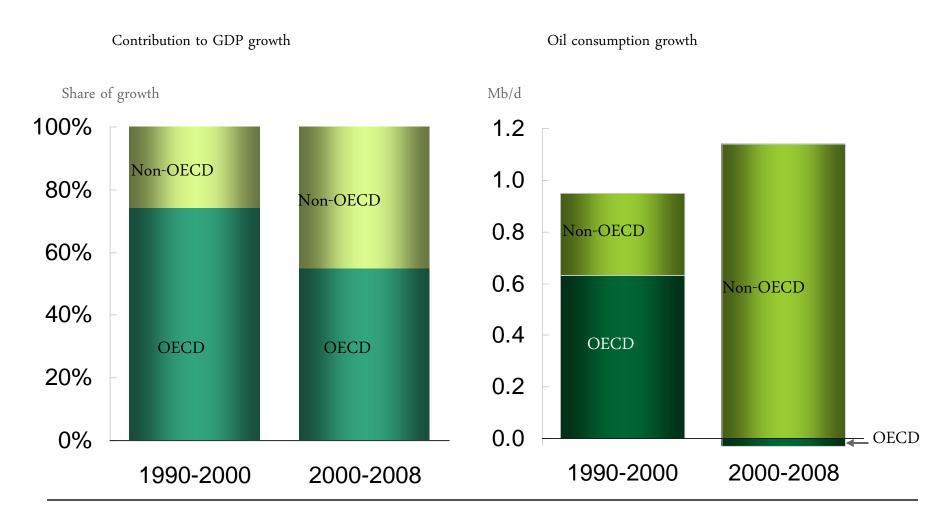




The Growth Challenge



Contributions to GDP and oil consumption growth



Conclusion



- Short term: price weakness, with OPEC chasing demand. Price stabilization IF no stronger global contraction in H2 2009 and IF OPEC maintains compliance
- Medium term: link between economic activity and energy prices closer than we have been used to. US economy most vulnerable to price variations
- Long term: high energy prices will return if non-OECD development continues
- Successful transition to the longer term is the challenge and the opportunity