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## About UKPIA

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UKPIA represents the non-commercial interests of and speaks for eight companies involved in the UK downstream industry, whose activities cover refining, storage and distribution, and marketing of petroleum products.

Our members are:



Associates:



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## Introduction from the Energy Minister

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I welcome the publication of UKPIA's fourteenth annual Statistical Review of the UK oil market. The past year has marked something of an anomaly from recent years as it saw an increase in both refinery production year on year and in the domestic consumption of transport fuels. Underpinned by the dramatic drop in crude oil prices, which began in 2014, and the resultant lower cost to UK consumers, these factors have offered the downstream sector a welcome boost from the low margin environment of recent years.

The long term challenges in the sector remain, however. Last year, I wrote about the issues that the Midstream Oil Sector Government and Industry Task Force was tasked with looking at: those of regulatory burden, resilience in the supply chain, and the need to retain global competitiveness. The Task Force has now concluded but I am clear that while it has done valuable work in improving our understanding of the resilience issues and had some successes in continuing to deliver a workable regulatory environment, the work must continue. The close relationship between Government and industry cultivated through the Task Force is crucial to meeting our shared aims of a secure and cost efficient supply chain.

I am encouraged that the sector has been able to respond to the stimulus offered by lower global crude prices and that it has again played its part in the wider economy's performance over the past year. The UK government remains certain that the downstream oil sector has an important role to play in our economic prosperity and will look to work with you to provide the competitive environment you need to deliver.

**Andrea Leadsom**  
**Energy Minister**  
**June 2016**

## Introduction from the President

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I am pleased to be writing the President's introduction to the *UKPIA Statistical Review 2016*, an established output from the long-standing collaboration between the Department of Energy and Climate Change and the UK Petroleum Industry Association.

In its fourteenth year of publication, the *Statistical Review* continues to provide valuable insight into the downstream oil industry. The facts and figures it contains, along with its useful commentary, are of great benefit both for those inside the industry and for others seeking to understand the complex business of transforming crude oil into usable, everyday products.

The competitiveness of our industry has dominated the debate from the start of my tenure as President of the Association. In December 2015, the European Commission published a Fitness Check of the refining industry to assess the regulatory framework for the sector and evaluate its impact on its competitiveness. The report recognised the significant cost impact of EU legislation on the refining industry and concluded that the cumulative cost of the legislation analysed (2010-12) accounted for up to a 25% net loss of competitiveness of the sector. It also pointed out the additional costs from legislation that came into effect post-2012 and the considerable effect of increasing energy prices on industry competitiveness. These, in turn, put pressure on the investment possibilities of the refining sector.

Against this background, the UKPIA has recently published a report exploring the shared challenges facing oil refining and other energy intensive industries in the UK. *Crisis – What Crisis?* provides a comprehensive overview of why industry matters and, through a refining sector case study, highlights the pressures undermining its competitiveness.

However, the fact remains that we need a robust industry and we cannot afford to ignore the implications and unintended consequences of the cost of unilateral regulation in a global and highly competitive market.

Our downstream oil sector is vital to the nation's mobility, economy, growth and energy security, and will continue to be for many more years to come. Ultimately, only with the right policy and regulatory frameworks can we maintain competitiveness and enable industry to succeed.

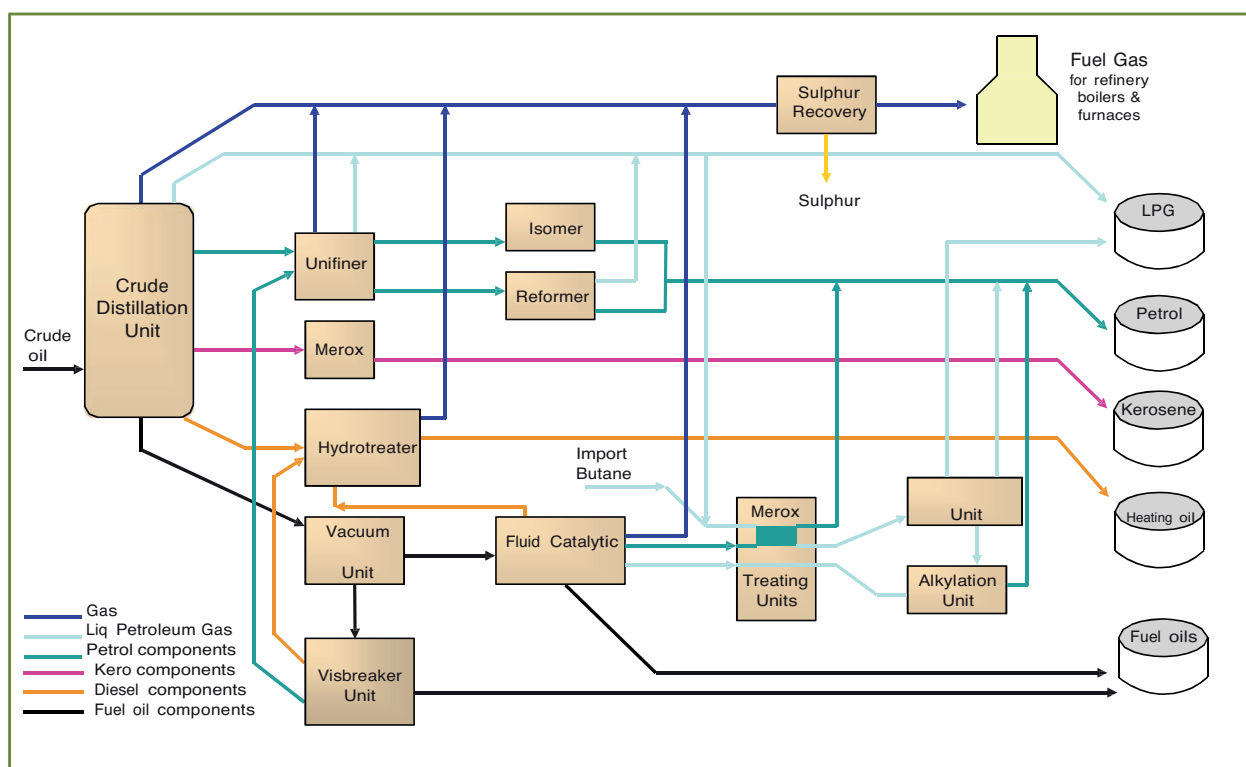
**Paul Bray**  
**June 2016**

# Processing Crude Oil in a Typical UK Refinery

Many refineries in the UK came on stream in the 1950s and 1960s. Since that time they have evolved to meet the growing demand for transport fuels and reducing demand for heating and power generation from oil. The composition of fuels has also changed over recent years to reduce the environmental impact of their use. In addition to transport fuels, refineries produce a wide variety of important feedstocks used in the manufacture of other products, such as petrochemicals, lubricating oils, solvents, bitumen and petroleum coke for aluminium smelting.

No two refineries are identical. They share common technology such as crude distillation, but each UK refinery takes a slightly different route to achieve the common goal of extracting maximum value from each barrel of crude oil processed.

## Typical refinery process units



### Refinery operations can be broken down into five main processes:

- Distillation which separates crude oil into different refinery streams
- Conversion and reforming which improve the quality of these streams and adjusts the yields to meet market demand
- Desulphurisation which reduces the sulphur in the streams to the required level
- Blending of the refinery streams to produce the final products meeting current regulations and specifications
- Waste treatment ensures that all waste meets current regulations and standards

### Distillation

The starting point for all refinery operations is the crude distillation unit (CDU). Crude oil is boiled in a distillation column, which separates the crude down into fractions with different boiling points. The crude oil enters the column near the bottom and is heated to around 380°C. The lighter fractions are vaporised and rise up the column. As they rise, they are cooled by a downward flow of liquid and condense at different boiling points. This enables fractions with different boiling points to be drawn off at different levels in the column. These fractions range from lighter, low boiling point gases such

as propane and butane to heavier, higher boiling point diesel and gas oil. They are then sent on to other refinery units for further processing. What is left over at the bottom of the column is a liquid residue, which requires further processing to be turned into more valuable, lighter products or blending components. This residue is first sent to a second stage of fractional distillation in the vacuum distillation unit (VDU). This unit performs the distillation under reduced pressure which allows the distillation of the crude residue at lower temperatures.

Using the same approach as before the VDU separates into different components from gas oil to a heavy liquid residue.

The streams from the CDU and VDU are then processed further by the remaining refinery units to provide the high quality products that consumers expect and that comply with all relevant legislation.

## Conversion, Reforming, Desulphurisation and Blending of Different Streams

Distillation does not produce enough of the lighter, more valuable products such as petrol that the market wants. Therefore conversion units, eg fluidised catalytic cracking (FCC), are used to process some of the streams from the vacuum distillation column with the aim of turning the heavy components into lighter transport fuels. Reforming units are used to upgrade the octane number of the petrol components produced from the CDU.

Desulphurisation units are then used to remove sulphur from the products. This enables the products to meet today's tighter fuel specifications. Extra desulphurisation will be required to allow the refinery additional flexibility to process higher sulphur 'sourer' crude oils. Reliance on low sulphur crude oils alone limits the flexibility of a refinery.

## Main Products

**LPG** (liquified petroleum gas) is produced by compressing and cooling gas from the crude distillation unit and the FCC unit.

**Petrol** streams from the distillation process are cleaned in the unifiner. This unit strips out excess sulphur and nitrogen compounds as hydrogen sulphide and ammonia.

The streams are then sent on to the catalytic reformer and isomer units for processing to raise the octane number of the petrol by modifying its molecular structure. The reformer produces a large amount of hydrogen as a by-product, and this is recycled for use in desulphurisation (hydrotreater) units.

Finally the petrol streams from the reformer, fluidised catalytic cracking unit, the isomerisation unit and the alkylation unit are blended to meet fuel specifications and current regulations.

**Jet fuel/kerosene** streams from distillation are cleaned in the merox unit. This uses a caustic wash and additives to remove sulphur compounds and to inhibit gum formation.

**Diesel/heating** oil streams are processed in the hydrotreater, which removes sulphur and other unwanted compounds using hydrogen and a catalyst. The hydrotreater (desulphuriser) is supplied with recycled hydrogen from other process units such as the reformer. The diesel/heating oil streams are separately blended to meet fuel specifications and current regulations.

The lighter **fuel oil** streams from the VDU are processed in the FCC unit whilst the heavier residues from the VDU can be processed in the visbreaker.

In the FCC unit, heavy oils are reacted at high temperature with a catalyst which breaks the heavy fractions into more valuable lighter products. The gaseous and petrol components are then cleaned in a merox unit and some of the gaseous is converted in an isomerisation or alkylation unit into high octane petrol blending components. The FCC's products are blended into petrol, gaseous, diesel/gas oil and fuel oil product streams.

In the visbreaker, the heavy fractions are held at high temperature until they become less viscous. This stream is then blended into other fuel oil product streams.

The **fuel oil** components from the different units are then blended to give fuel oil meeting current regulations and specifications.

## Desulphurisation and Waste Treatment

The sulphur recovery unit takes waste hydrogen sulphide from the units which remove sulphur from product streams. The hydrogen sulphide is then reacted with oxygen to give solid elemental sulphur and water vapour. After treatment, this sulphur is sold to other process industries.

All other waste streams are treated according to the current regulations.

## Refineries in the UK

The members of UKPIA run the six major operating refineries in the UK, which are situated around the coast for ease of crude tanker access. UKPIA members supply around 85% of the inland market demand for petroleum products. The UK has the fourth largest total refining capacity in the EU and some UK refineries are among the largest in Europe.

Over the years, the refining sector has sought to minimise its impacts upon the environment and improvements continue to be made to reduce emissions.

Section 2 covers refining in more detail, with key figures on production, changing product demand and refinery emissions.



### Distribution of Products

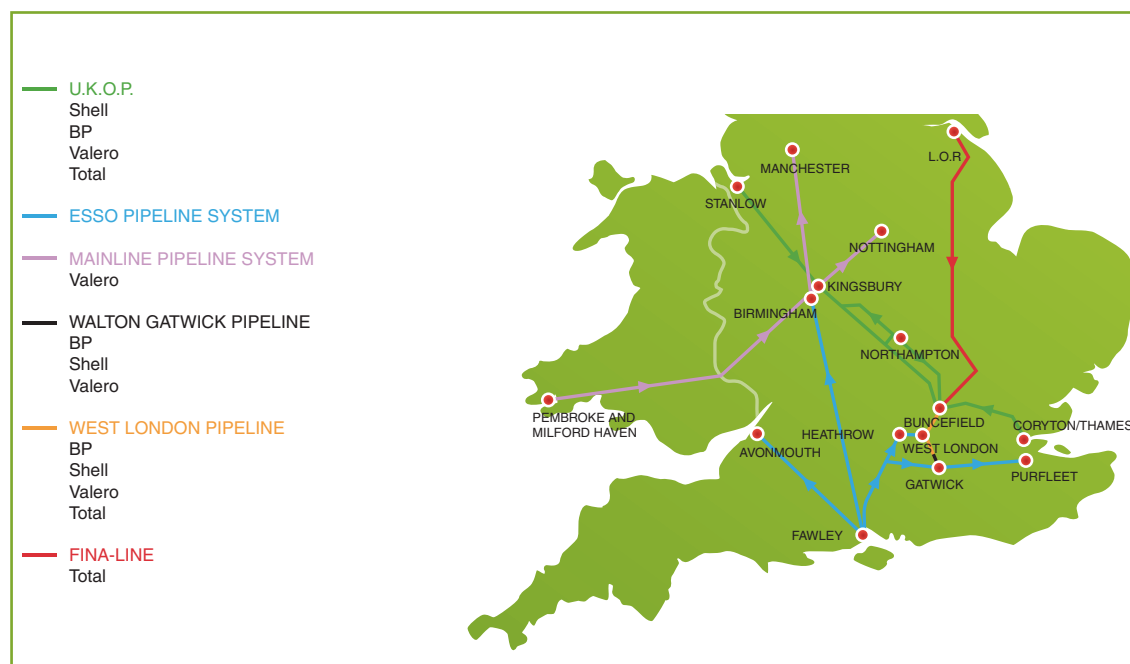
Around 50 major oil terminals are supplied by pipeline (51% of the volume), rail (15%) and sea (34%) from UK refineries. There is an extensive network of private and Government owned pipelines in the UK, with around 3,000 miles of pipeline currently in use.

The 1,500 miles of privately owned UK pipeline network carries a variety of oil products, from road transport fuels to heating oil and aviation fuel. It provides an efficient and robust distribution system across the UK and directly provides jet fuel for some of the UK's main airports. It can take several days for fuel to travel from the refinery to the terminal by pipeline. At the terminal, products are stored in large above-ground tanks and are transported to the filling station by road tankers.

The Government Pipeline and Storage System (GPSS) was largely designed to meet the needs of military airfields. In 2015, CLH-PS acquired GPSS.



## Privately owned oil pipelines in England and Wales



## CLH-PS PIPELINE NETWORK

In 2015 CLH-PS acquired the Government Pipeline and Storage System (GPSS), now known as the CLH-PS Pipeline Network.



## Product Distribution

The UK has a number of oil-company and independently-owned terminal facilities, linked either by pipeline, rail or road. Around a half of all terminals are supplied by pipelines, 15% by rail and around a third by sea.

The south of the country heavily relies on pipelines that connect Fawley, Coryton, Stanlow and Milford Haven, with distribution terminals serving major demand centres. The north tends to be more dependent on road transport with large road terminals at Stanlow and on the Humber. Scotland is dependent on supplies from Grangemouth and Northern Ireland on imports delivered to the Belfast port.

# 1. Economic Contribution and Refinery Economics

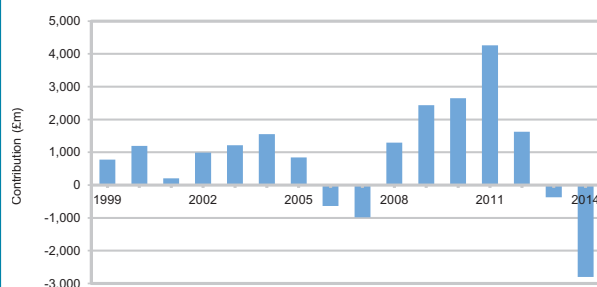
The UK refining industry is one of the largest in Europe, comprising 6 operating refineries, 50 terminals and an extensive pipeline network carrying over 30 million tonnes of fuel each year. The sector has undergone a number of changes over the years. During the 70s and 80s, refiners moved from atmospheric distillation towards the production of gasoline and distillate to take advantage of the changing economic and legislative landscape. More recently, refiners have had to increasingly adapt and focus on reducing emissions due to a growing number of environmental legislation and tighter fuel specifications, and changing consumer needs with the growth of diesel demand partly

driven by fiscal policy. Increased environmental and energy policy reforms, as well as taxes, have continued to squeeze the sector, with rates of return over a five-year period remaining negative.

The oil refining and marketing industry plays a very important role in the UK's economy and growth, supporting the employment of over 150,000 people at refineries, head offices, forecourts and as contractors, and sourcing around 85% of all inland UK fuel demand. Today, our industry collects around £36 billion in fuel duty and VAT each year, which contributes to around 7% of the Exchequer's total receipts.

## 1.1 Contribution to Balance of Payments

Contribution to Balance of Payments from Imports and Exports of Petroleum Products (excluding crude)

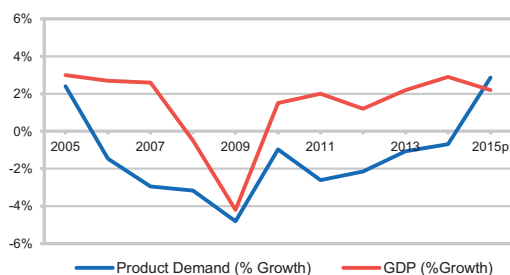


Source: DECC

- The graph illustrates the net value of imports and exports of refined petroleum products
- Oil refining has historically been a major contributor to the UK's balance of payments
- Even though the UK became a net importer of crude oil in 2005, it remained a net exporter of refined petroleum products. The UK became a net importer of refined petroleum products in 2013
- Compounded by the growing demand for diesel and jet fuel and the closure of two refineries since 2012, the UK has become increasingly reliant on large-scale imports for those products
- Exported oil products, on the other hand, are heavily dependent on international markets. Recent trends show a decline in exports of petrol, down 19% from the previous year, and those of gas oil down 30%
- Oil products will remain central to the nation's energy needs for decades to come, alongside a developing role for alternative fuels and energy sources

## 1.2 Annual Oil Trade

GDP Growth vs. UK Oil Product Demand Growth

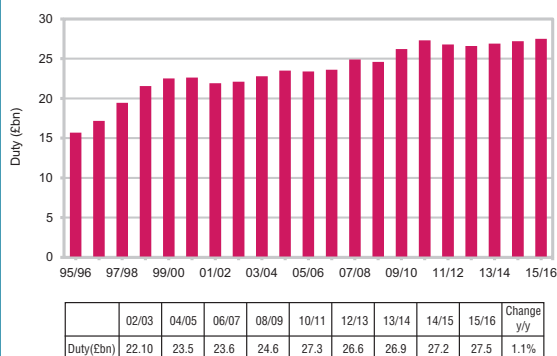


Source: DECC / ONS

- Oil product demand growth is one of the key indicators to an economy's health, and reflects loosely both cyclical and growth trends
- The impact of the 2008 credit-crisis can clearly be seen by both the GDP and product demand growth curve; they indicate a deep recession in 2008 and another downward trend in 2012
- As the economic recovery started to pick up, product demand rose from 2013 onwards. In 2015 this was also aided by oil price changes

## 1.3 Duty from Road Fuels

Duty from Road Fuels



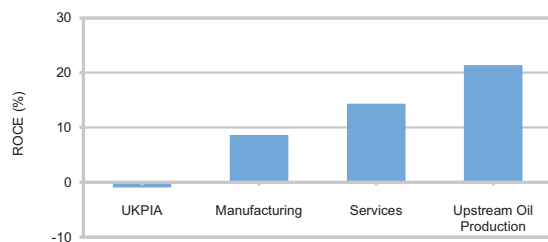
	02/03	04/05	06/07	08/09	10/11	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	Change y/y
Duty (£bn)	22.10	23.5	23.6	24.6	27.3	26.6	26.9	27.2	27.5	1.1%

Source: HMT / HRMC

- The 2016 Budget estimates fuel duty receipts for 2015/16 at £27.5 billion. The slight increase from the previous year is a result of increased road fuel sales – there was no duty increase in 2015
- In addition to the duty on road fuels, around £8.5 billion was collected as VAT
- This combined figure is around 7% of total public sector current receipts and would cover over 26% of the public sector's total spending on health or 80% of the country's total spending on defence

## 1.4 Average Return on Capital Employed

5 Year Average Return on Capital Employed

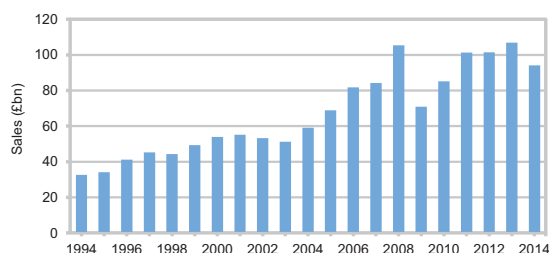


Source: UKPIA / ONS

- The return on capital employed between 2010-2014 was on average -0.94% for UKPIA members
- Over the same time period, the average return on capital employed for three other comparable industries was approximately 14.8%, with manufacturing at 8.6%, services at 14.3% and upstream at 21.3%
- Service industries include communications, hotels, catering, distribution, transport and storage

## 1.5 Gross Sales

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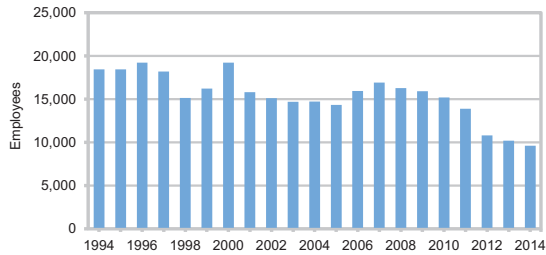


Source: UKPIA

- In 2014, gross sales by UKPIA member companies were £94 billion, including duty
- This is a slight decline compared to real numbers from the previous year

## 1.6 Refining and Marketing Employment

Refining and Marketing Employment

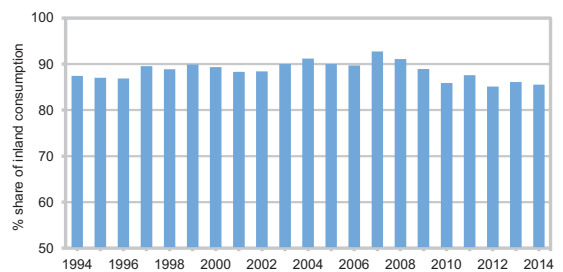


Source: UKPIA

- The refining and marketing industry is a major employer in the UK, with approximately 10,000 people directly employed by UKPIA members in 2014
- The downstream sector as a whole supports the employment of over 150,000 people in other roles, such as service station staff, contractors and road tanker drivers

## 1.7 UKPIA Share of Inland Consumption

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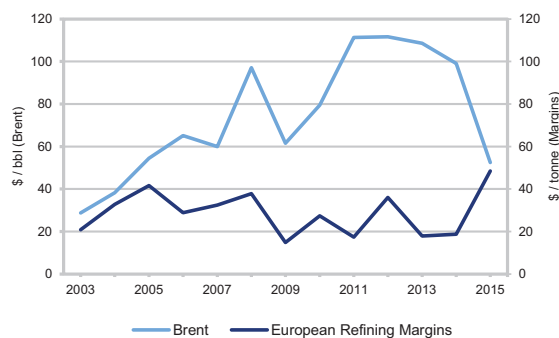


Source: UKPIA

- In 2014, around 85% of inland oil consumption in the UK was supplied by UKPIA member companies
- This provided vital energy resilience and security of supply to the nation, along with the provision of high quality fuels at competitive prices
- The UK has consistently some of the lowest pre-tax prices for diesel and petrol in Europe

## 1.8 Regional Refining Margins

European Refining Margin Indicator and Price of Brent



Source: Total Ltd 'European Refining Margin Indicator' (ERMI)

- The underlying trend for European refining margins over the last decade has been cyclical. However, recent periods have shown more severe and frequent cycles, notably in 2009, 2011 and 2013/14
- The refining margin is the difference between cost of crude purchased and value of product sales. This element is needed to cover fixed costs of operator and maintenance, as well as to remunerate capital
- The Total European Refining Margin Indicator (ERMI) is an indicator intended to represent the margin after variable costs for a hypothetical complex refinery located in Northern Europe that processes a mix of crude oil and other inputs commonly supplied to this region to produce and market the main refined products at prevailing prices in this region

## 2. Refineries

There are six major crude oil refineries operating in the UK, situated around the coast for ease of crude tanker access. Onwards distribution is achieved via an extensive pipeline system plus road, rail and sea transport.

Over half of the UK's crude feedstock is low sulphur crude from the North Sea, of which 12% from the UK Continental Shelf\*. Europe remains the largest region from which the UK imports crude oil, with Norway continuing to be the single largest source at 40% of total imports. Crude oil imports from Africa have increased steadily over the past ten years and now account for over 26% of all imports.

The majority of oil products processed at UK refineries is consumed in the UK. Demand for petroleum products grew in 2015, from 66 m tonnes in 2014 to 68 m tonnes.

UK refinery production fell to 60.9 million tonnes of product, down 18% from 2011, principally owing to production loss from the closure of the Coryton refinery in 2012 and the Milford Haven refinery in 2014. This has meant that the total volume of petroleum products imported into the UK is increasingly higher than the volume exported. The UK became a net importer of petroleum products in 2013, making it a net importer of all fossil fuels for the first time.

\* DECC - 2014 Data

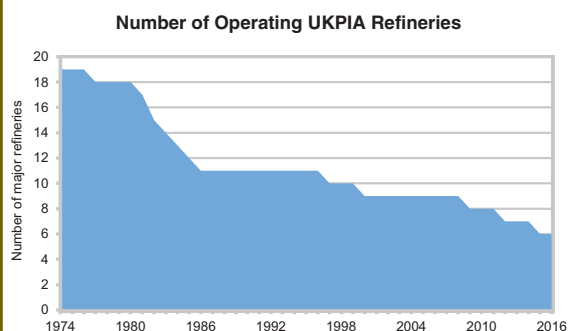
### 2.1 UK Refineries



Source: UKPIA

- There are six major crude oil refineries operating in the UK which supply the bulk of the inland market demand for petroleum products
- The refineries are situated around the coast and most are connected to pipelines for product distribution

### 2.2 Number of Refineries

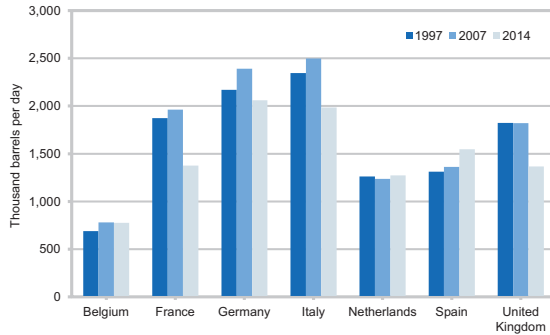


Source: UKPIA

- The number of major oil refineries in the UK has fallen from a high of 19 in 1975 to 6 currently in operation
- There are two smaller speciality refineries in the UK producing bitumen
- Two refineries have closed since 2012. The Petroplus Coryton refinery closed in June 2012 and the Murco Milford Haven refinery ceased operation in December 2014

### 2.3 European Capacity

European Capacity: Comparing years 1994, 2007 & 2014

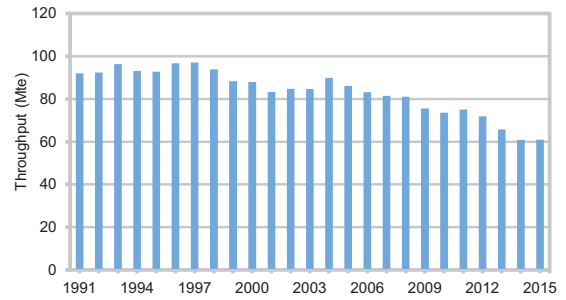


Source: BP Statistical Review of World Energy 2015

- The UK's refining capacity has declined in recent years due to refinery rationalisation and closures
- It now has the fifth largest refining capacity in Western Europe, with total refining capacity at approximately 1.4 million barrels per day
- Western European refining capacity has seen a steady decline, reducing from over 16 million barrels per day in the 1980s to 10.4 million in 2014
- France has seen a capacity reduction of about 30% in the past ten years, Germany's capacity has declined by 13% and Italy's by over 20%

### 2.4 Refinery Throughput

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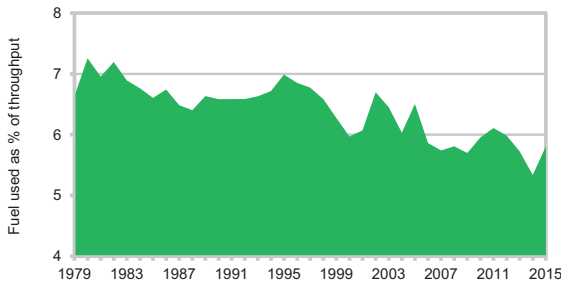


Source: DECC

- Since the refinery closures in 1997, 1999, 2009, and most recently in 2012 and 2014, UK refining throughput has fallen from its late 90s' peak of 97 million tonnes of crude oil to 60.9 million tonnes in 2015
- Over the past 7 years, UK refining throughput continued to decline, partly due to the economic recession and refinery closures. However, it remained stable in 2015 at 2014 levels
- Throughput depends on product demand, capacity and other factors, such as timing of maintenance shutdowns

### 2.5 Refinery Energy Efficiency

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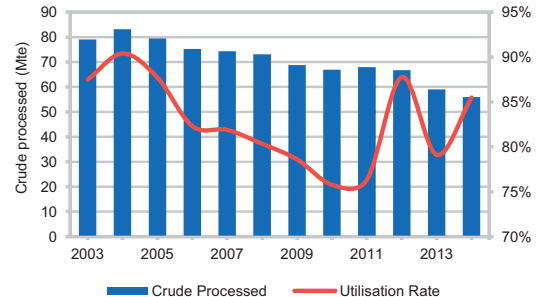


Source: DECC

- Refineries use a small percentage of throughput as fuel, to provide energy to refine crude oil into products for consumers
- Refineries fuel use continues to be on a downward trend and in 2015, it was just under 6%
- More energy is required to meet the current high demand for cleaner transport fuels and to meet challenging environmental standards, but this has been offset by improved energy efficiency at refineries

### 2.6 Crude Capacity and Utilisation

Crude Capacity and Utilisation Rate

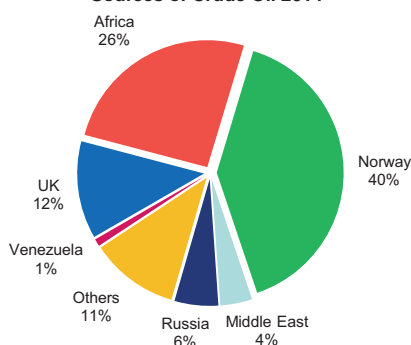


Source: DECC

- The capacity utilisation rate is the proportion of total production capacity which is actually being utilised over a specific period of time
- Crude oil capacity utilisation rate is equal to crude oil processed, divided by primary distillation capacity
- UK refineries in 2014 had a combined utilisation rate of 85% - a 6% increase compared to the previous year

## 2.7 Sources of Crude Oil

Sources of Crude Oil 2014



1000 tons	2004	2006	2008	2010	2012	2013	2014	change y/y
Ind. Prod.	95,374	76,578	71,789	62,962	44,561	40,646	39,928	-2%
Imports	62,516	59,443	60,335	55,064	60,476	59,137	53,798	-9%
Exports	64,504	50,195	48,235	42,064	30,946	33,105	30,869	-7%
Net	-31,646	-33,060	-36,781	-34,167	-46,861	-51,596	-44,739	-13%

Source: DECC

- Following years as a net exporter of crude oil, the UK became a net oil importer in 2005. Production from UK oil fields peaked in the late 1990s and has generally declined over the past several years. However, output from UKCS rose in 2014 compared to the previous year. Much of the increase is attributable to new fields being brought online
- In 2014, around 52% of UK refinery crude throughput was from the North Sea; around 40% from Norway and 12% from the UKCS
- Currently, around 6% of crude oil processed at UK refineries arrives from Russia, and 4% from the Middle East. The latter represents a large increase relative to an average of 1% of previous years
- Imports from Africa have risen considerably since 2004 from 3% to 26% in 2014

## 2.8 Destinations of Oil Products

Destinations of Oil Products 2015



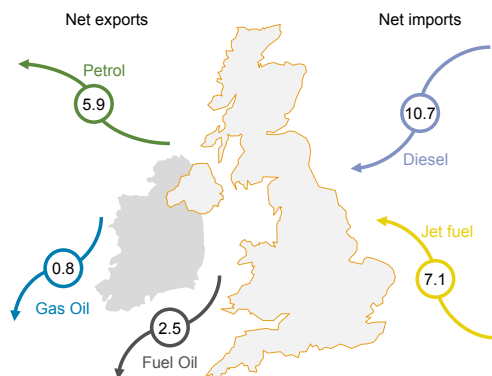
1000 tons	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	change y/y
Exports	25,491	26,065	27,800	29,904	26,910	22,748	22,729	-0.1%
Imports	22,172	23,665	22,656	26,207	28,769	29,055	32,061	10.3%
Intl. Deliv.	67,060	66,295	64,243	63,048	62,869	62,921	64,525	2.5%

Source: DECC

- The majority of oil products processed at UK refineries is consumed in the UK market – approximately 63%
- The total volume of petroleum products imported into the UK is increasingly higher than the volume exported. The UK became a net importer of petroleum products in 2013, making it a net importer of all fossil fuels for the first time. Petroleum product imports in 2015 increased by 10.3% compared to the previous year
- The US and EU are the main destination for UK oil product exports. The US, in particular, represent a considerable portion of UK's excess petrol exports

## 2.9 UK Net Product Flows

UK Net Product Flows 2015

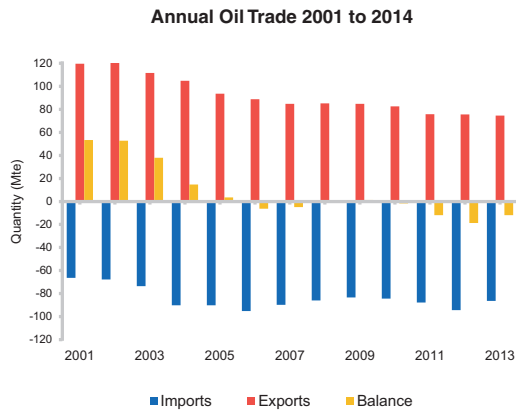


Units: Mte / year

Source: DECC (Production for year 2015)

- These are net product flows; they represent the overall import and export balance of the various grades shown
- UK refineries, in common with those in the EU, were configured predominantly to produce petrol and therefore have a mismatch between domestic production and demand
- Fiscal policy in the EU has driven up demand for diesel and demand for air transport has dramatically increased aviation fuel use
- Consequently, the UK has a deficit of aviation fuel and diesel, whilst it exports surplus petrol and fuel oil

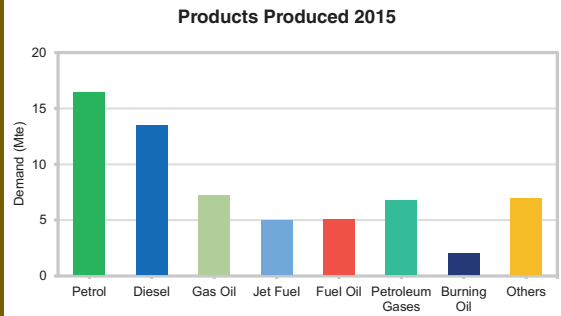
## 2.10 Annual Oil Trade



Source: DECC

- The chart illustrates UK's annual trade; imports and exports of crude oil and petroleum products
- The negative imbalance in trade from 2006 has largely been a result of increased imports and a decrease in exports of crude oil; a consequence of depletion of the UK continental shelf
- The petroleum products' balance has also shifted. A growing demand for diesel and aviation fuel has led to an increase in imports for these fuels, whilst exports of fuel oil have declined and exports of petrol have increased

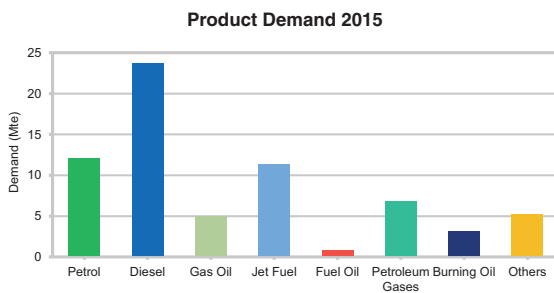
## 2.11 Products Produced



Source: DECC

- UK refineries are configured to meet historically higher demand for petrol and fuel oil
- As a result of a reducing demand of these products, refineries now produce an excess of petrol and fuel oil and are in deficit in others, such as jet fuel and diesel
- Changing refinery production to meet demand will require major investment
- For more information, refer to the IHS Purvin & Gertz report 'The Role and Future of the UK refining Sector': [www.ukpia.com/publications.aspx](http://www.ukpia.com/publications.aspx)

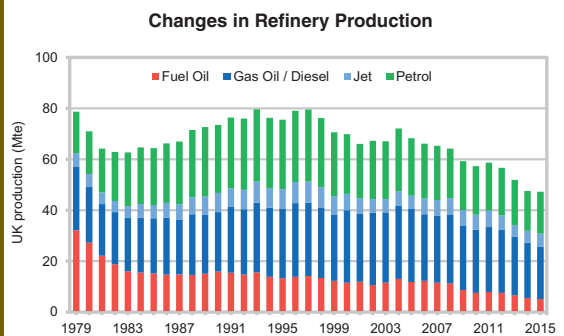
## 2.12 Product Demand



Source: DECC

- The majority of oil product demand comes from the transport sector
- UK refineries do not produce enough jet fuel or diesel. Consequently, these are increasingly supplemented by imports to meet demand

## 2.13 Changes in Refinery Production



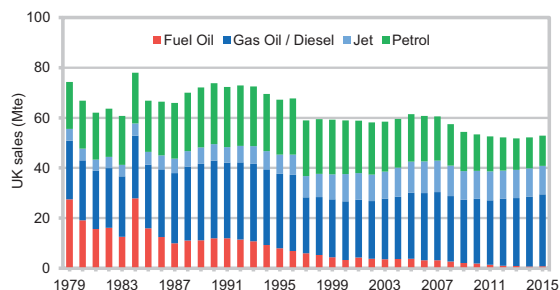
Source: DECC

- The major change in refinery production over the last forty years has been a significant reduction in the quantity of fuel oil produced
- Middle distillate (gas oil/diesel and jet) production share, at 54%, is higher than ever before, whilst the production share of petrol and fuel oil have decreased



## 2.14 Changes in Product Demand

Changes in Product Demand

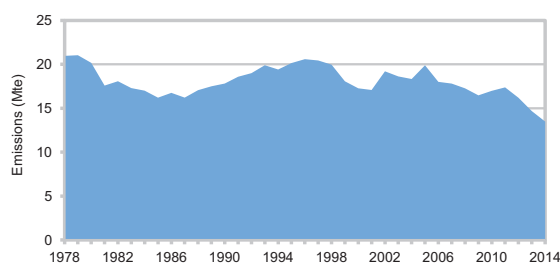


Source: DECC

- The major change in product demand since 1979 has been the decline of the fuel oil market - natural gas replacing fuel oil for power generation and gas oil for space heating - and the growth of transport fuels
- Since 1990 demand for petrol has almost halved, whilst jet fuel has seen demand rise by over 74%
- However, overall demand clearly shows a downward trend over the last six years, linked in part to the economic crisis, which has affected nearly all categories of oil product consumption, except diesel which has remained almost flat
- Nonetheless, 2014 was the first year to record year-on-year growth since 2007

## 2.15 Refinery CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

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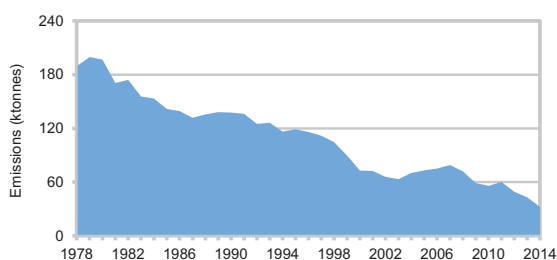


Source: DECC

- Refineries contribute around 2.5% of the UK's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and are included in the EU Emissions Trading Scheme
- Although it takes more energy to both manufacture low sulphur fuels and upgrade fuel oil to distillate, refinery CO<sub>2</sub> emissions continue to decrease as a result of improved energy efficiency and refinery closures

## 2.16 Refinery SO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

Refinery SO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

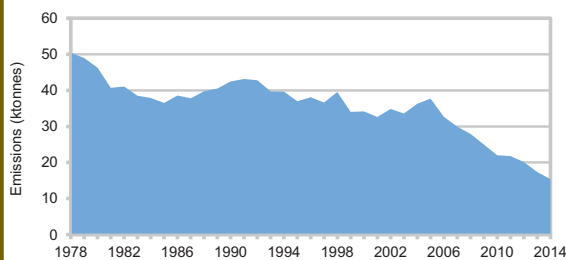


Source: DEFRA

- Refineries release SO<sub>2</sub> when refinery fuels, which contain sulphur, are burnt
- Historical data shows a marked and continuing downward trend in refinery SO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- The 83% reduction in refinery SO<sub>2</sub> emissions is a result of investments to increase sulphur recovery at refineries and the use of low sulphur crude oil

## 2.17 Refinery NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions

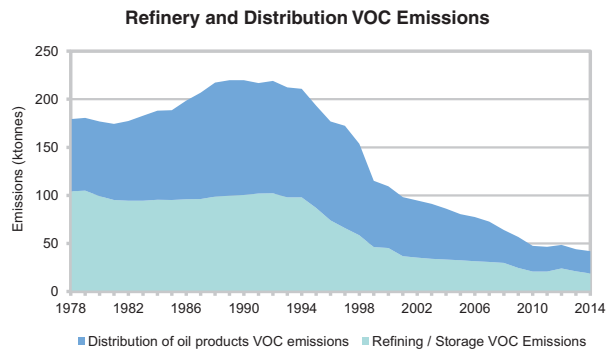
Refinery NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions



Source: DEFRA

- NO<sub>x</sub> is formed as a result of the combustion of fossil fuels
- Refinery NO<sub>x</sub> emissions have decreased by 70% between 1978 and 2014 as a result of fuel switching and abatement technology at refineries

## 2.18 Downstream VOC Emissions



Source: DEFRA

- Volatile organic compounds are produced from the evaporation of oil products
- The historical data shows a marked and continuing downward trend in downstream VOC emissions owing to leak detection and repair programmes
- Additional reductions in the downstream industry are a result of the introduction of vapour recovery equipment at storage facilities, on petrol deliveries and at many of the higher throughput filling stations

## 3. Road Transport Fuels

Total road transport demand grew slightly for the second consecutive year. However, total road fuels sales today are still approximately 9% lower than the peak in 2007.

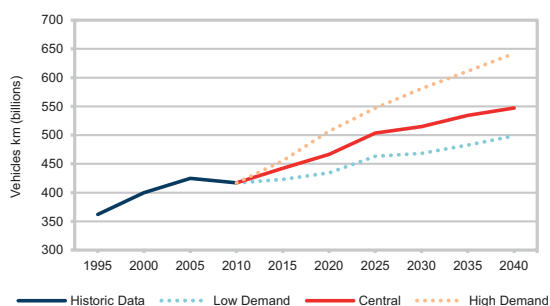
Diesel demand has been increasing steadily and diesel now accounts for over 63% of total road fuels sales. This is part of a European-wide trend, which has been largely fiscally driven. As a result of the marked rise in popularity of diesel vehicles and the increased growth in freight transport, diesel sales in the UK exceeded 28 billion litres in 2015.

Unlike the rest of Europe, the UK has been comparatively late to the dieselisation process; in 2004, petrol sales were 4 billion litres greater than those of

diesel, whilst annual registration of new diesel vehicles was still only one third of the total vehicle fleet. This relatively slow uptake is mostly a result of the lack of any tax advantage for diesel which, in the UK, is taxed at the same rate as petrol. However, with the advances achieved in diesel engine performance leading to improved fuel efficiency relative to petrol, combined with changes in company car tax policy and VED rates, consumers in recent years have increasingly favoured diesel cars. 2015 saw an increase in both diesel and petrol registrations which now have virtually equal market share, with diesel fuelled vehicles commanding 48.5% of market share and petrol vehicles 48.8%. The balance is made up of LPG, other gas and EVs.

### 3.1 Demand for Road Travel

Traffic growth scenarios 2040

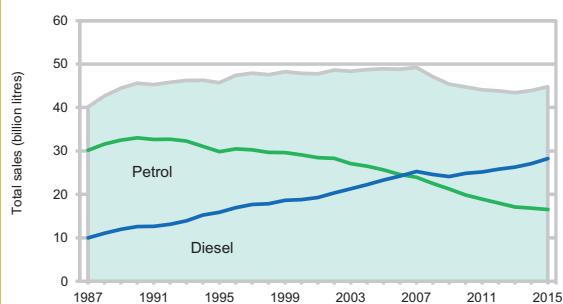


Source: DfT Road Traffic Forecast 2015

- Road travel demand has been on an upward trend for decades and, despite a flattening in growth during the recession, demand is forecast to increase in the future
- However, due to advances in engine efficiency, this trend is not reflected in product demand
- By 2035, central demand is predicted to grow by over 50% from 1995 levels

### 3.2 Road Fuel Sales

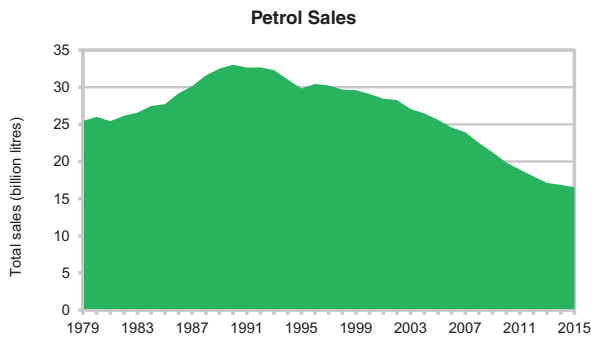
Total Road Fuel Sales



Source: DECC

- Whilst total road fuel sales have shown a long term increase since the early 1970s, demand dropped by 11% between 2007 and 2014 due to a combination of higher prices - driven by the cost of crude oil - and the economic recession
- During the recession, the decline in petrol consistently outstripped growth in diesel demand
- In 2015, total road fuel sales grew slightly for the second consecutive year
- Diesel demand grew by 4%, while petrol demand declined by just over 2% compared to the previous year
- Diesel currently accounts for over 63% of total road fuel sales

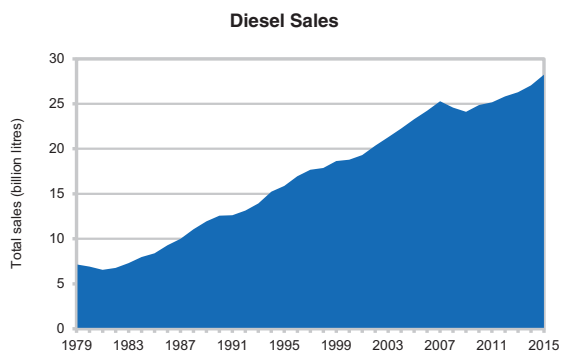
### 3.3 Petrol Sales



Source: DECC

- Sales of petrol have been falling since reaching a peak of 33 billion litres - equivalent to 73% market share - in 1990
- Today, sales of petrol amount to 16.5 billion litres as a result of declining demand for petrol vehicles
- During the recession, the average annual decline rate doubled to over 5% per annum, but it has slowed since that time

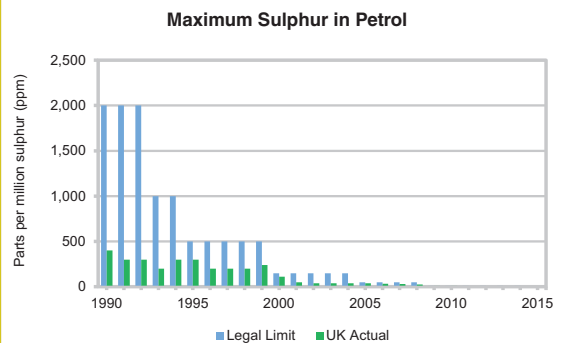
### 3.4 Diesel Sales



Source: DECC

- Sales of road diesel have been steadily increasing, with demand exceeding 28 billion litres in 2015
- This is due to a marked rise in the popularity of diesel vehicles and the increased growth in freight transport
- Barring a short decline period in 2008 and 2009, diesel has seen an average annual growth rate of 3% in the last 20 years

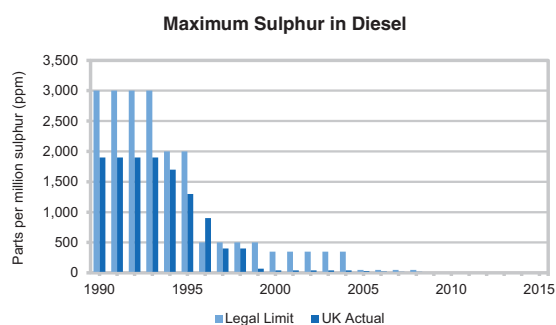
### 3.5 Maximum Sulphur in Petrol



Source: BSI / UKPIA

- The level of sulphur in road fuels is limited by the Fuel Quality Directive (FQD) 2009/30/EC
- Since the start of 2009, all UK petrol has been sulphur-free (10ppm or less)

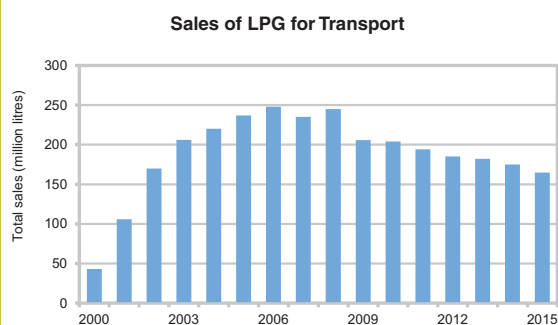
### 3.6 Maximum Sulphur in Diesel



Source: BSI / UKPIA

- The level of sulphur in diesel is also limited by the FQD
- Since the start of 2009, all UK diesel has been sulphur-free (10ppm or less)

### 3.7 Sales of LPG for Transport



Source: HMRC

- As well as petrol and diesel, liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) is used as a road fuel in the UK
- Sales of LPG rose rapidly between 2000 and 2006 based on a favourable duty incentive, a conversion grant scheme and favourable treatment under the London Congestion Charge
- However, the removal of the grant scheme and gradual reduction in the duty differential between LPG and standard fuels has impacted the sale of LPG/petrol cars. For this reason, sales of LPG have continued to decline from a peak of 248 million litres in 2006 to 165 million litres in 2015

## 4. Biofuels

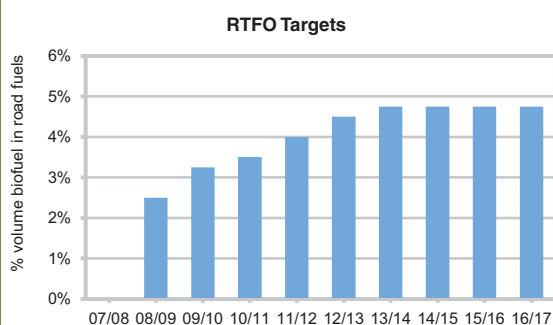
The European Biofuels Directive (2003) first set EU Member States a target of 5.75% energy used in transport by 2010. This was followed by the Renewable Energy Directive (RED) (2009/28/EC) which requires Member States to meet 10% of transport energy from renewable sources by 2020. Under the Fuel Quality Directive (FQD) 2009/30/EC fuel suppliers are required to reduce the carbon intensity of transport fuels by 6% in 2020, when compared to a 2010 baseline. In 2015, the European Commission amended both the RED and FQD to cap the volumes of biofuel produced from crops and cereals, due to concerns about indirect land use change (ILUC). These amendments are due to be transposed to UK national law by 2017.

The UK's 2007 Renewable Transport Fuels Obligation Order (RTFO) was amended in December 2011 to

transpose the transport elements of the RED and allow only biofuels that meet the RED carbon and sustainability criteria to count toward the obligation. It was extended in 2013 to include fuel consumed by Non-Road Mobile Machinery (NRMM) and is due to be amended again by April 2017. The UK government is due to consult on further changes to the RTFO order during 2016.

One-quarter of the UK's greenhouse gas emissions come from the transport sector and the transition to a low carbon model has been particularly challenging. An enormous amount of work has been undertaken by the downstream oil industry to ensure that the Government's targets are met under the RTFO and that fuel quality standards are maintained.

### 4.1 RTFO Targets

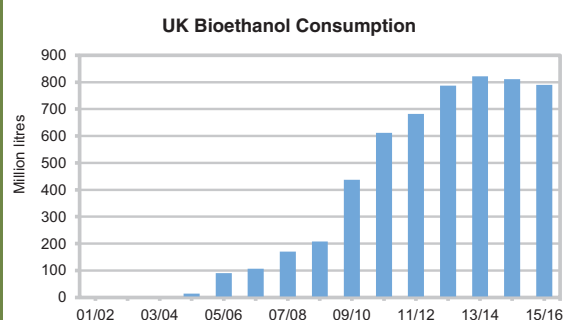


*\*from 2014 April, 4.75% petrol, diesel and NRMM*

Source: HMT

- The RTFO was introduced in April 2008, with an original target of 5% biofuel content (by volume) in road fuels by 2010/11
- This was revised due to sustainability concerns. The targets for the biofuel content of road fuels were 4.5% for 2012/13, and 4.75% for 2013/14 and 2014/15
- From April 2013, the RTFO included NRMM in the obligation
- DfT plans to consult on future RTFO obligation levels during 2016

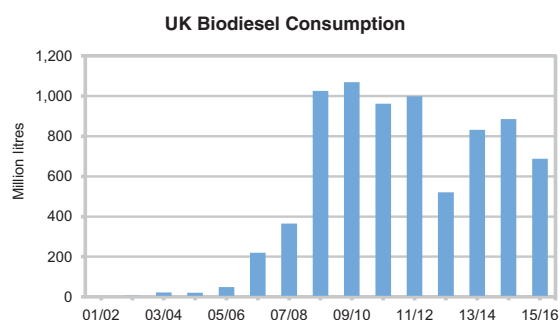
### 4.2 UK Bioethanol Consumption



Source: HMRC

- Between January 2005 and March 2010, the Government introduced a 20 pence per litre duty reduction on bioethanol
- The duty differential of 20 pence per litre was removed in 2010
- In 2015/16, UK bioethanol consumption stood at a little under 800 million litres, which represents around 4.6% of all petrol sales by volume
- There are other renewable petrol fuels which obligated companies use to meet their targets, such as methanol
- The buyout price in the RTFO is set at 30 pence per litre

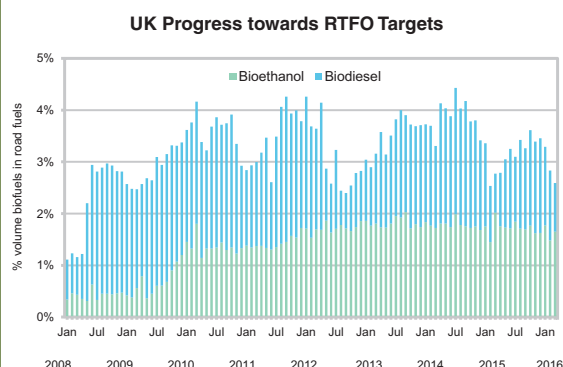
### 4.3 UK Biodiesel Consumption



Source: HMRC

- Between July 2002 and March 2010, the Government introduced a 20 pence per litre duty reduction on biodiesel
- The duty differential of 20 pence per litre was removed in 2010
- In 2012/13, UK biodiesel consumption fell to around 520 million litres from previous year's 992 million litres as a result of fuels derived from waste oil being used to fulfil the RTFO obligation, which in fact account for twice the value of regular biofuels
- Consumption increased again in 2013/14 and 2014/15, but fell again in 2015/16 to 687 million litres, representing around 2.3% of total diesel sales by volume
- The buyout price in the RTFO is set at 30 pence per litre

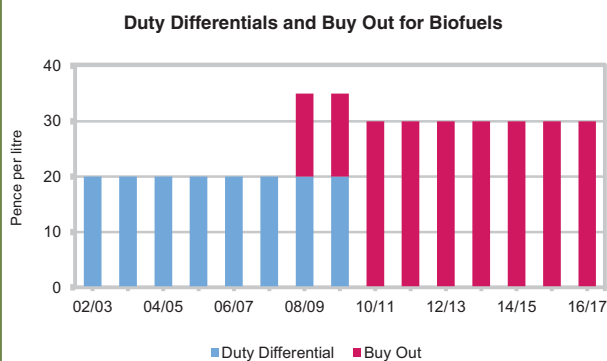
### 4.4 UK Progress towards RTFO Targets



Source: HMRC

- The UK added 2.6% of biofuels during the first year of the RTFO (2008/09), exceeding the target of 2.5%
- In the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the RTFO (2009/10), the UK again met its target of 3.25% of biofuels
- In the 2011/2012 period, biofuel use increased to 3.7% of total road transport but fell below 3% in year 4 as a result of fuels derived from waste now double counting. In the last accounting period (April 2015 – March 2016), volumes recovered again reaching an average of 3.17% volume when averaged over all obligated fuels

### 4.5 Duty and Buy Out for Biofuels



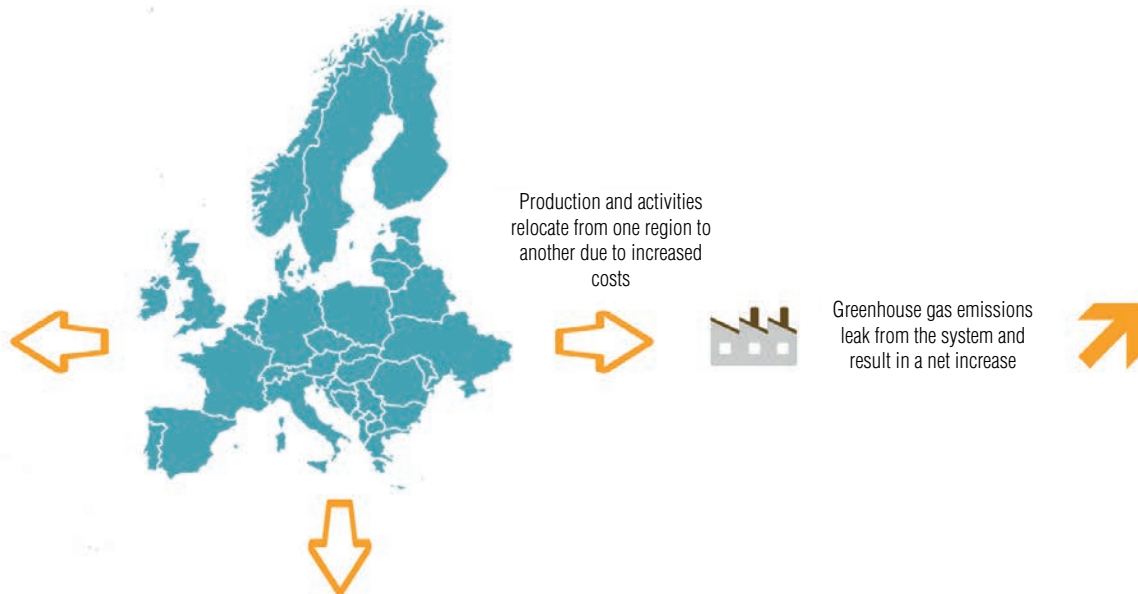
Source: HMT

- A duty differential of 20 pence per litre had been in place for biodiesel since 2002 and for bioethanol since 2005
- In addition, a 'buy out' price for the RTFO was introduced at 15 pence per litre in 2008/09, giving a combined incentive of 35 pence per litre
- The duty differential was removed in 2010\*, with the buy out price at 30 pence per litre
- The buy out price is an alternative compliance mechanism in case the fuel supplier is unable to add the full volume of biofuel, required by the RTFO, to the final blend

\* Except for cooking oil where the duty differential of 20 pence per litre remained until April 2012

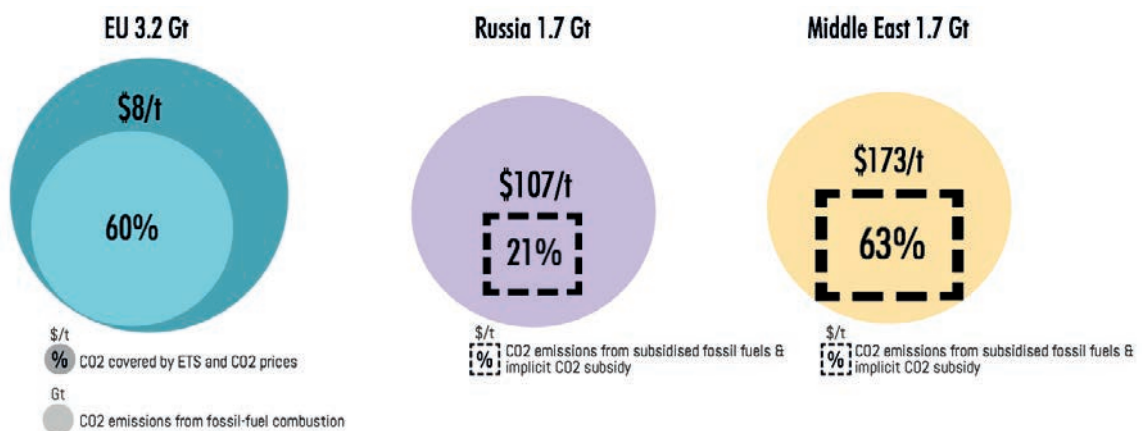
## A guide to carbon leakage

Carbon leakage is used to describe the displacement of production from one region, due to increased costs related to policy to cap emissions in this region, that results in an increase in greenhouse gas emissions in another region with lower or no greenhouse gas constraints.



## Why is effective carbon leakage protection needed?

Energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in areas that operate a carbon market versus energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in markets with fossil-fuel consumption subsidies.





To try to avoid carbon leakage, exposed industrial sectors are allocated free emission allowances at a benchmark level.

Sectors and sub-sectors which are deemed to be exposed to a significant risk of carbon leakage are included in an official list compiled by the European Commission once every five years. The carbon leakage list for 2015-19 was adopted on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2014 and includes 175 industrial sectors.

#### Allocation of free allowances



Historical production data



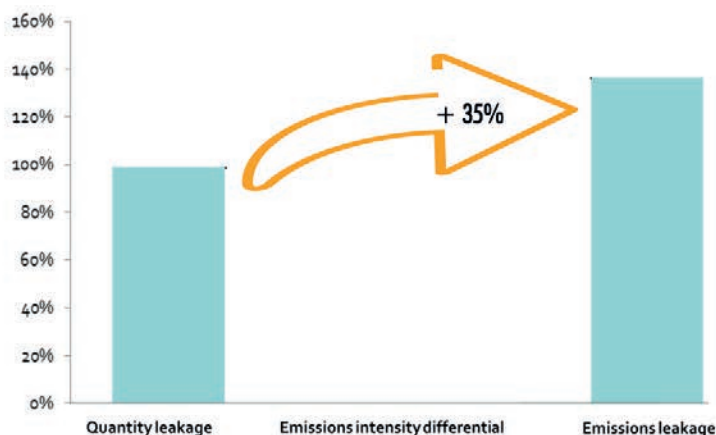
Benchmark = set as the average of top 10% performers in a sector



A correction factor is likely to be applied to ensure that the number of free allowances does not exceed the number available

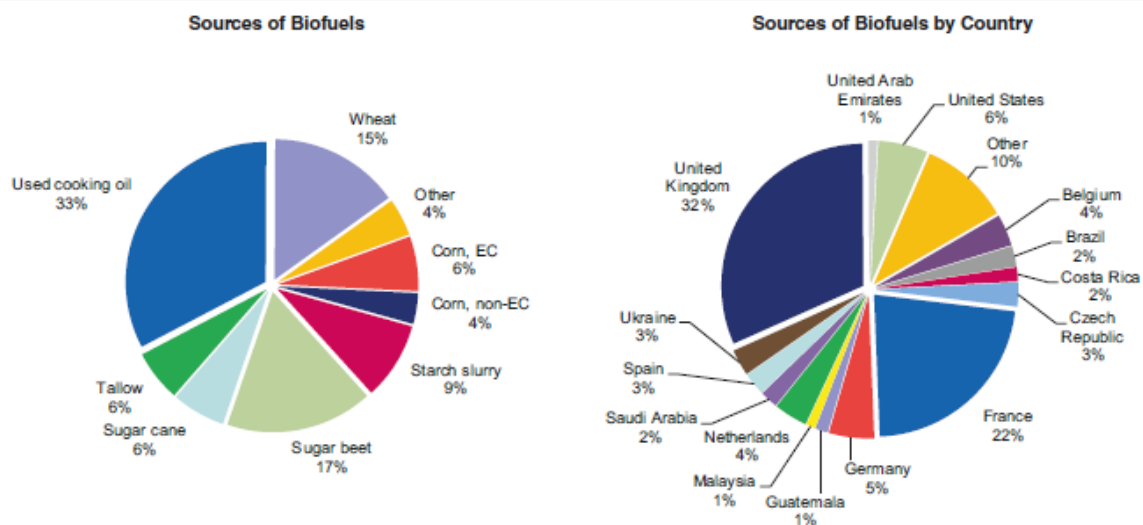
The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change defines carbon leakage with the following ratio: “the increase in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions outside the countries taking domestic mitigation action divided by the reduction in the emissions of these countries”.

UK and EU refineries are on average less emissions-intensive (0.21 tCO<sub>2</sub> per tonne of product) than non-EU refineries (0.29 tCO<sub>2</sub> per tonne of product) = carbon leakage exceeds output leakage. Every 100 units of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduced in the EU are replaced by 135 units outside the EU.



Refinery closures would result in loss of jobs, loss of critical infrastructure and carbon leakage. The oil refining industry operates in a global, highly competitive market and has been recognised as being at risk of carbon leakage. For this reason, regulation needs to ensure effective protection of the sector until competitors from other regions are subject to policies of a comparable nature and cost.

## 4.6 Sources of Biofuels used in the UK



Source: DfT (covering period 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015 - 14<sup>th</sup> April 2016)

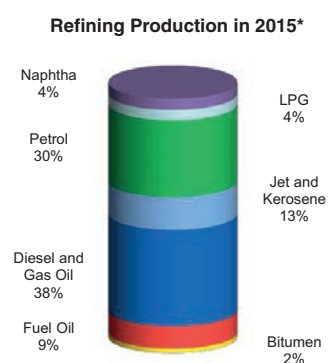
- Around one-third of biofuels used in the UK are domestically produced
- The second single largest source of biofuels is France
- Ethanol is mostly sourced from sugar beet, wheat and sugarcane
- Biodiesel is mostly sourced from used cooking oil and tallow

## 5. Other Products

A wide range of products are produced from crude oil, ranging from transport and domestic/industrial fuels to chemical feedstocks. Over time, refinery configurations have developed to increase the quantities of high value transport fuels that can be produced. In

contrast, the domestic/industrial markets for other fuels have altered markedly over the last twenty years as sales of fuel oil and gas oil have reduced, being displaced in power generation and industrial applications by natural gas.

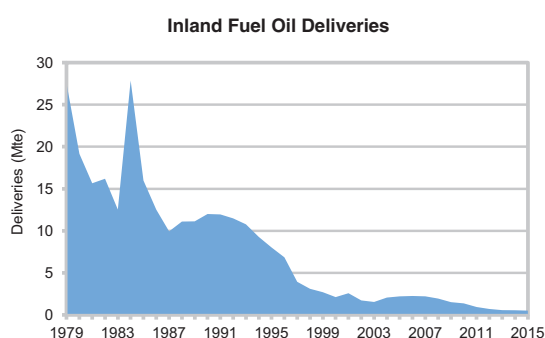
### 5.1 Refining Production



\*excludes refinery use and losses  
Source: DECC

- Refineries produce naphtha, LPG, road fuels, kerosene, jet fuel, heating oil, diesel, gas oil, fuel oil, bitumen and other products such as chemical feedstocks
- The current trend of production is away from heating fuels (fuel and gas oils) and towards transport fuels (petrol, diesel and jet fuel)

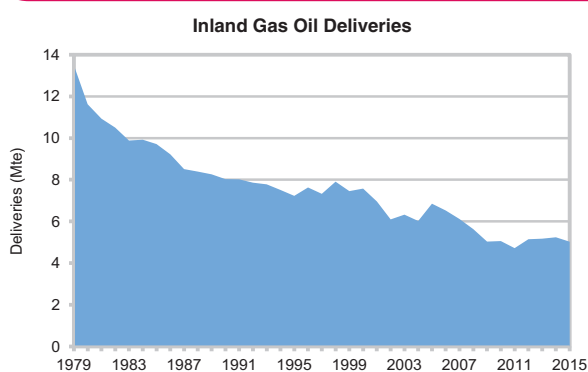
### 5.2 Fuel Oil Deliveries



Source: DECC

- The market for fuel oil has reduced significantly since the 1970s – rising only briefly in 1984 due to the miners' strike
- The decline in demand is mainly due to a switch to other fuels, such as natural gas, by electricity generators

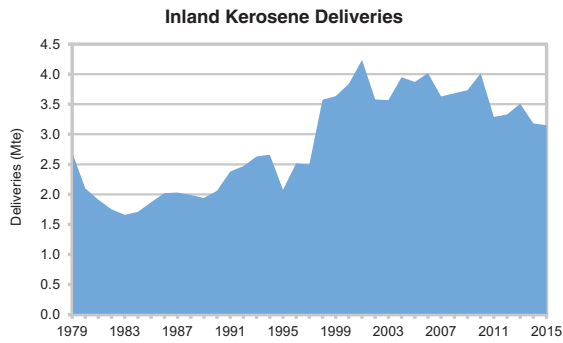
### 5.3 Gas Oil Deliveries



Source: DECC

- The UK demand for gas oil has fallen since the 1970s to about 5 million tonnes
- The reduction in demand is mainly due to fuel switching to natural gas for power generation
- Since 2011, all gas oil delivered for Non Road Mobile Machinery (NRMM) is sulphur-free (10ppm or less). Fuel for heavy and stationary engines remains at 1000ppm sulphur

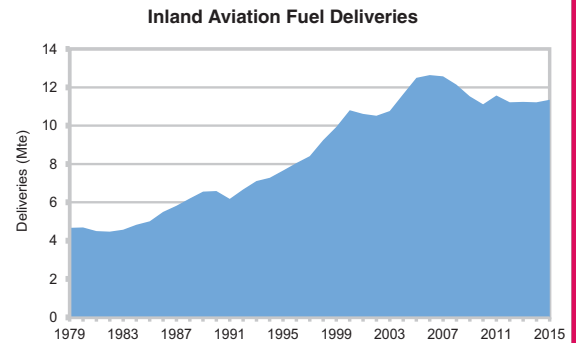
### 5.4 Kerosene Deliveries



Source: DECC

- Kerosene (also called burning oil) is used as fuel for domestic and industrial heating, and sales are typically higher during the winter
- Inland sales of kerosene have been declining in recent years
- Deliveries dipped to about 3 million tonnes in 2015
- Since 2008, the maximum allowable sulphur level in kerosene is limited to 0.1%

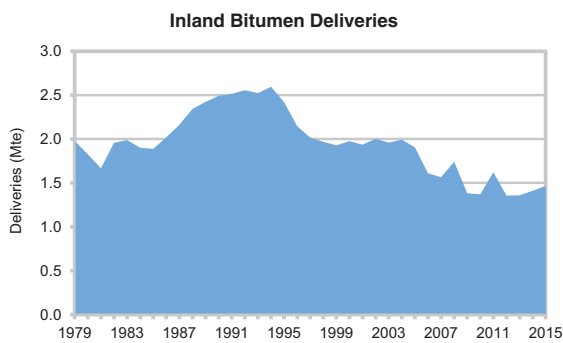
### 5.5 Aviation Fuel Deliveries



Source: DECC

- Aviation turbine kerosene is used in jet engines
- Sales of AVTUR rose steadily since the 1970s but remain 11% down on the 2006 peak
- Demand has been consistent in recent years between 11 and 11.5 million tonnes
- This is mainly due to increased engine efficiencies, which have meant that less fuel has been needed

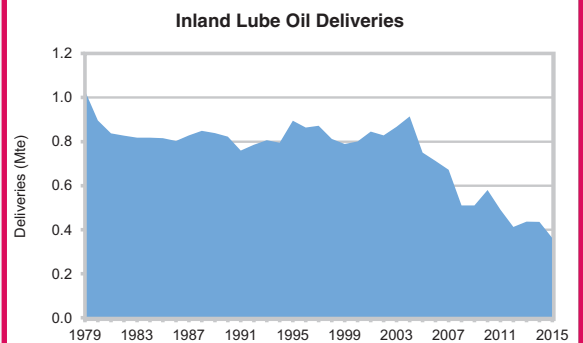
### 5.6 Bitumen Deliveries



Source: DECC

- Demand for bitumen has declined to 1.5 million tonnes/pa
- Bitumen is produced from some of the heaviest fractions of crude oil and is mainly used for road surfacing and roofing

### 5.7 Lube Oil Deliveries



Source: DECC

- Sales of lubes and greases have more than halved since the 1970s to around 0.4 million tonnes/pa
- Improved engines require fewer oil changes and the use of synthetic lubricating oils has also contributed to this reduction
- The increased use of biodiesel could see oil drain intervals reducing and demand for lubes increasing

## 6. Petrol Prices

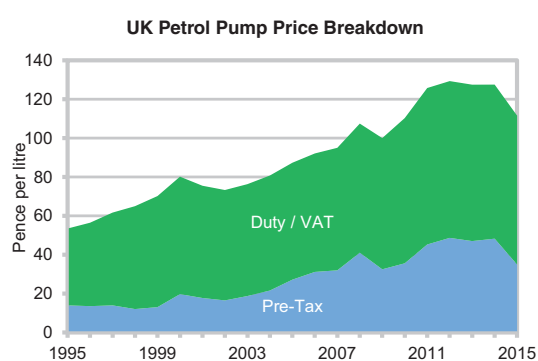
As a result of the UK's competitive road fuels retail market and efficient distribution facilities, the pre-tax price of major brand petrol in the UK is consistently amongst the lowest in Europe. However, despite this competition, the price paid by consumers at the pump is one of the highest in Europe, due to the higher levels of duty applied by the Government. The retail/ex-refinery price spread on average has been around 6 pence per litre on petrol for most of the last decade.

It should also be noted that data hides variations between remote rural regions and urban areas, in part due to higher transportations costs. The government

sought to address this by setting up a pilot scheme to provide a 5 pence per litre fuel rebate for very remote areas. The scheme launched on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012 with more than 90 businesses in the Inner & Outer Hebrides, Northern Isles, Islands in the Clyde and Isles of Scilly taking part.

The Rural Fuel Rebate was approved in March 2015, with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> May 2015, by the European Union and residents across 17 of the UK's most rural areas with the highest fuel prices now benefit from a 5 pence per litre fuel price cut.

### 6.1 Petrol Pump Price

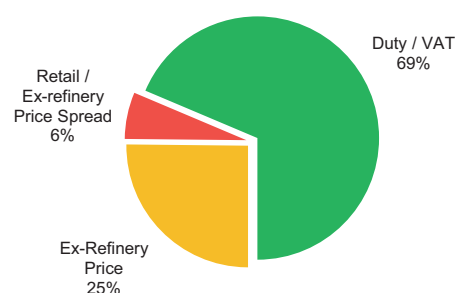


\* The price of petrol is in money of the day  
Source: Wood Mackenzie

- The price of petrol at the pump has steadily increased over the last 20 years with the exception of some spikes and a most recent fall: a result of crude oil prices falling by over 70% from mid-2014 to end 2015
- Consistent growth until late 2013 was due in part to the general rise in crude oil prices, reflecting increased global demand and regular increases in duty from 2006 up until 2011
- Owing to the fall in crude oil price and duty freeze, petrol pump prices declined by 12.5% in 2015 compared to the previous year

### 6.2 Average Contribution to Pump Prices

Average Contribution to Pump Prices 2015

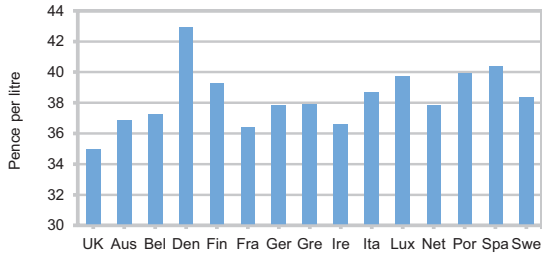


Source: Wood Mackenzie

- Duty and VAT are the main components of the pump price of petrol in the UK, making up over two thirds of the total
- VAT increased to 20% in January 2011 after a temporary cut to 15% in 2008 and increase to 17.5% in 2010
- Duty was charged at 57.95 pence in 2015
- The retail/ex-refinery price spread for 2015 was on average 6% of the pump price

### 6.3 European Pre-Tax Pump Prices

Pre-Tax Pump Prices of Unleaded Petrol 2015

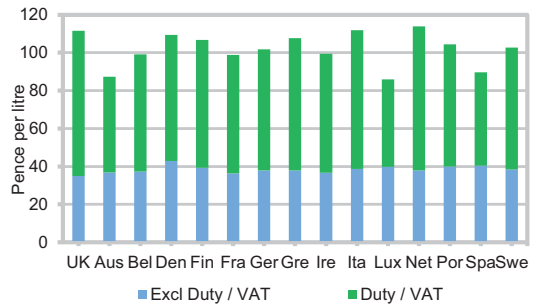


Source: Wood Mackenzie

- In 2015 the UK pre-tax price of major brands of unleaded petrol was again the lowest in Europe at 26.84 pence per litre, whilst the average of the 15 major EU countries was 32 pence by comparison
- The low pre-tax price is a result of strong competition among retailers and an efficient fuel distribution network

### 6.4 European Prices

Pump Prices of Unleaded Petrol 2015

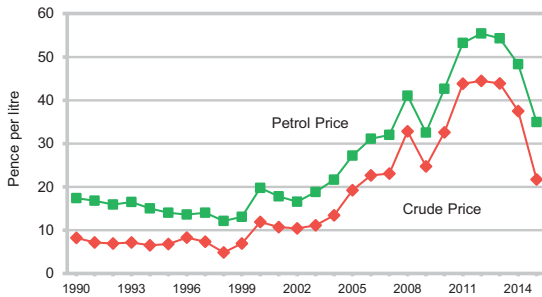


Source: Wood Mackenzie

- Whilst the UK pre-tax price of major brands of unleaded petrol was again the lowest compared to 15 major EU countries, the price paid at the pump by UK consumers was considerably higher due to the levels of fuel duty. Duty and VAT, on average, in 2015 amounted to a little under 75 pence per litre

### 6.5 Pre-Tax Petrol and Crude Prices

Pre-Tax Petrol and Crude Prices

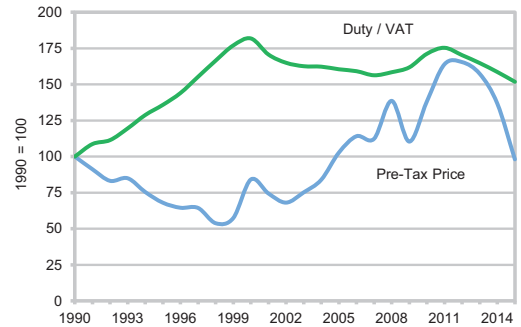


Source: Wood Mackenzie

- The pre-tax price of petrol is related to the cost of crude oil
- The effect of crude prices on the final pump price is lessened by the high levels of fuel duty
- The £/\$ exchange has a significant influence on fuel prices

### 6.6 Fuel Price and Tax Comparison

Fuel Price and Tax Comparison



Source: Wood Mackenzie / UK Statistics Authority

- The pre-tax price of petrol increased from 2005 to 2014 relative to 1990 levels, having remained below RPI adjusted 1990 prices until 2005. However, it decreased sharply in 2015
- Duty and VAT steadily increased relative to 1990 levels throughout the '90s, until they were effectively frozen following protests in September 2000
- They have recently risen again, and continue to show a greater increase over the past 19 years than the pre-tax price. 2010 saw the largest growth since 1999
- Since 2013, duty was effectively frozen, with VAT only increasing the tax curve, whilst pre-tax price have been declining due to falling crude prices since 2014

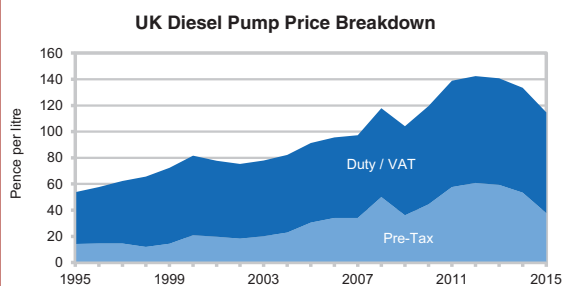
## 7. Diesel Prices

The UK road fuels retail market is highly competitive and distribution facilities are efficient; consequently, the pre-tax price of major brand diesel in the UK is consistently amongst the lowest in Europe. Despite this competition, diesel prices remain the highest in Europe. While a much larger share of the price is taken up by tax compared to other European markets, the refining margin remains slightly higher relative to petrol.

The UK, unlike other European markets, does not tax diesel at a lower rate than petrol. This results in diesel prices being slightly higher compared to petrol – primarily driven by UK supply/demand pressures. Nonetheless, as briefly discussed in Chapter 3, diesel demand has continued to gain market share since the late '90s, partly as a result of the fuel efficiency advantage of diesel engines over petrol.

However, as petrol engine efficiency improvements continue to catch up with that of diesel, forecasting the current dieselisation trend long-term is difficult, particularly as the growing drive for a reduction in carbon emissions from transport will increasingly result in tax levels becoming more aligned with vehicle carbon emission levels, and most likely lead to a marginal increase in the attraction of smaller capacity gasoline fuelled vehicles. For these reasons, along with emerging air quality arguments, analysts contend that the growth in diesel's market share will slowly cease and reach a peak in 2017, followed by a gradual reversal in trend.

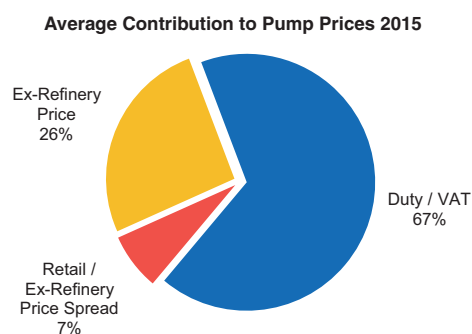
### 7.1 Diesel Pump Price



*\*The price of diesel is in money of the day*  
Source: Wood Mackenzie

- The price of diesel at the pump has steadily increased over the last 20 years, with the exception of some spikes, in 2008 and 2011 (as a direct consequence of crude oil prices reaching record levels and duty/VAT increasing sharply) and a most recent fall. The recent fall in diesel pump prices is due to crude oil prices falling by over 70% from mid-2014 to end 2015
- Diesel prices had grown at quite a considerable rate, averaging over 11% between the end of 2009 and 2012 due to rising crude oil prices and supply/demand pressure
- However, in 2015 diesel pump prices declined on average 14% compared to 2014 due to a continued strong decline in crude prices and duty freeze

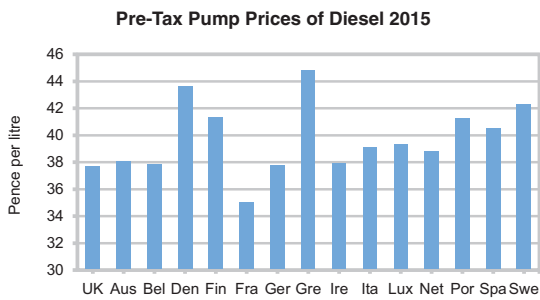
### 7.2 Average Contribution to Pump Prices



Source: Wood Mackenzie

- In 2015 duty and VAT made up two thirds of the pump price of diesel in the UK
- The retail/ex-refinery price spread was on average 7% of the pump price
- From this, the oil company and retailer must cover all site, distribution and storage expenses

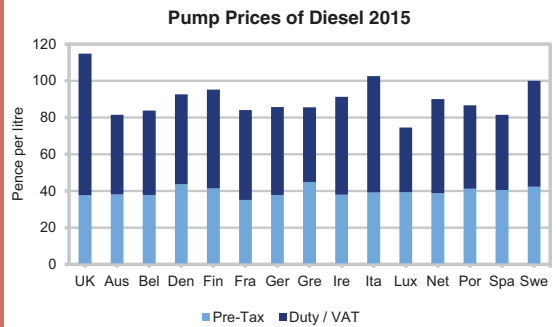
### 7.3 European Pre-Tax Pump Prices



Source: Wood Mackenzie

- In 2015, the UK once again had one of the lowest pre-tax diesel prices in the EU; around 3 pence lower compared to the average
- The low UK pre-tax price is a result of strong competition amongst retailers and an efficient fuel distribution network

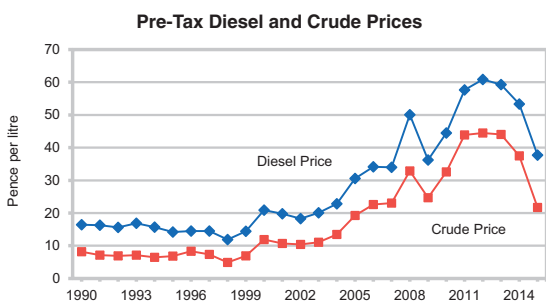
### 7.4 European Pump Prices



Source: Wood Mackenzie

- The final pump price of major brand diesel in the UK was the highest compared to other major European countries in 2015, reflecting the high level of duty paid on fuel in the UK
- The UK is the only major European country to apply the same duty rate to diesel and petrol
- Duty is taxed at different levels except for the UK and Switzerland

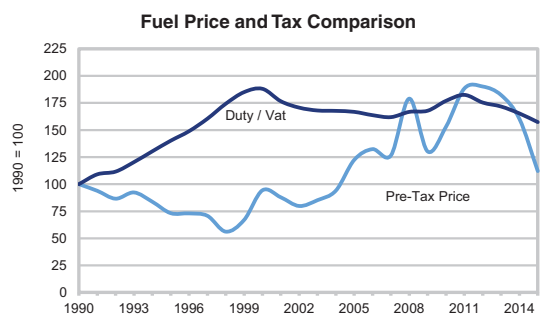
### 7.5 Pre-Tax Diesel and Crude Prices



Source: Wood Mackenzie

- The pre-tax price of diesel is closely related to the price of crude oil
- The £/\$ exchange is a key factor in determining fuel prices

### 7.6 Fuel Price and Tax Comparison



Source: Wood Mackenzie / UK Statistics Authority

- The pre-tax price of diesel increased relative to 1990 levels in 2004. It has since remained above RPI adjusted 1990 levels, despite a sharp fall in 2015, taking it closer to 2005 levels
- 2009 and 2015 saw two large price drops, owing to falling crude oil prices
- Duty and VAT have steadily increased relative to 1990 levels throughout the '90s, until they were effectively frozen in September 2000 and again in 2012
- Following an almost 7 year hiatus, duty was again increased from December 2006 through to the end of 2011, whilst VAT was briefly lowered to 15% in 2009 but increased to 20% in 2011; this explains the slightly higher gradient in duty and VAT from 2006, as shown in the chart

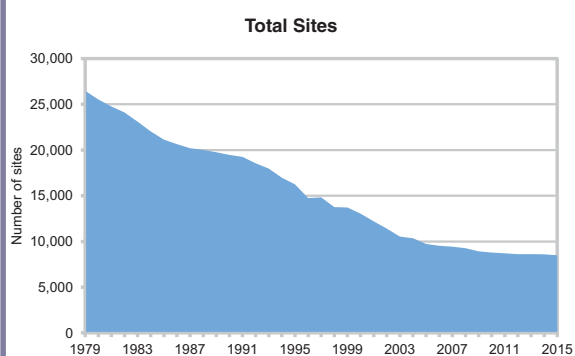


## 8. Filling Stations Statistics

Over the last forty years, the number of filling stations in the UK has reduced dramatically from over 30,000 in 1970 to 8,494 at the end of 2015. In the last ten years, on average around 170 filling stations have closed each year due to strong competition between fuel retailers and the increasing costs of compliance with environmental regulation. This has favoured large service stations with lower overheads per litre sold. As a result, many smaller filling stations have become economically unviable.

In contrast, there has been a steady increase in the number of large supermarket sites. In 2015, hypermarkets accounted for about 44% of total market share by volume, despite only owning just over 16% of all petrol stations in the UK. Oil companies accounted for about 17% market share by volume with ownership of 14% of all petrol stations.

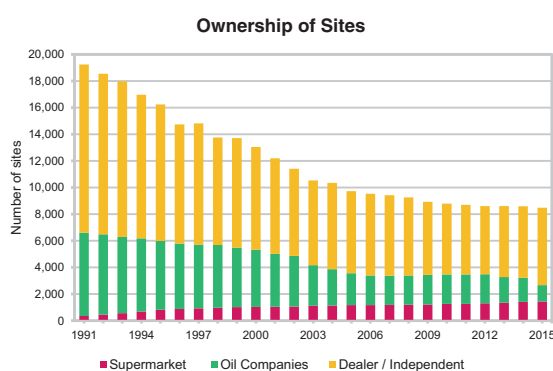
### 8.1 Number of Sites



Source: Energy Institute until 2005; Catalist onwards

- At the end of 2015 there were 8,494 filling stations in the UK
- The number of filling stations is now less than a third than in the 1970s
- Over the past ten years, the number of sites has been falling at an average rate of 170 per year

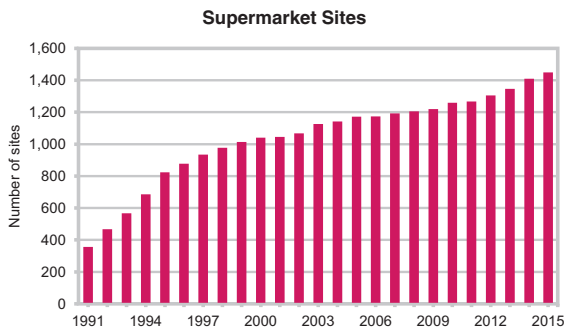
### 8.2 Ownership of Sites



Source: Energy Institute until 2005; Catalist onwards

- Many filling stations owned and operated by both oil companies and independent retailers have closed due to competition and low profits
- The number of supermarket sites has been increasing at a steady rate of 3% p/y
- Independent sites still account for the majority of petrol stations, at around 69% of the total number, but just over 38% of sales volume
- In the last few years several oil majors have exited the UK retail market

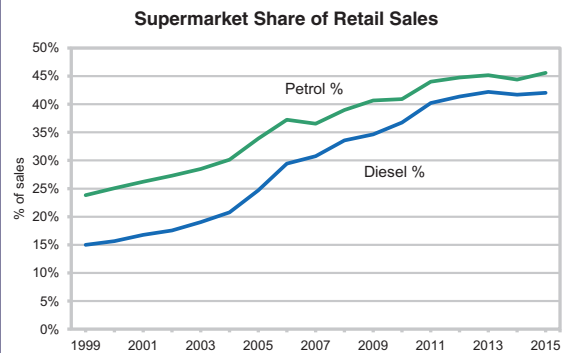
### 8.3 Supermarket Sites



Source: Energy Institute until 2005; Catalist onwards

- At the end of 2015 there were 1,450 supermarket filling stations in the UK
- Just over 16% of all filling stations are now owned by supermarkets
- Although numerically in the minority, volume sales are a significant factor and account for about 44% of market share

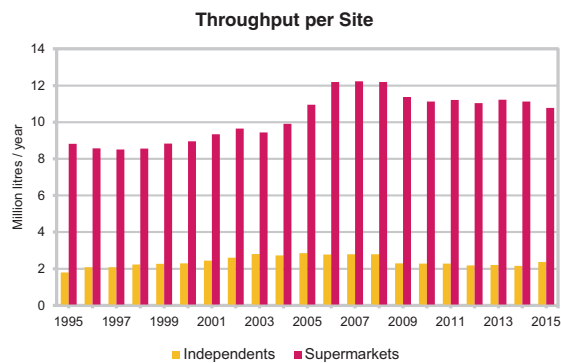
### 8.4 Supermarket Share of Retail Sales



Source: DECC

- In 2014, the proportion of road fuels sold by supermarkets fell for the first time since 1999. However, supermarkets' share of retail sales went up slightly again in 2015
- Supermarkets now account for 46% of all petrol sold and 42% of diesel

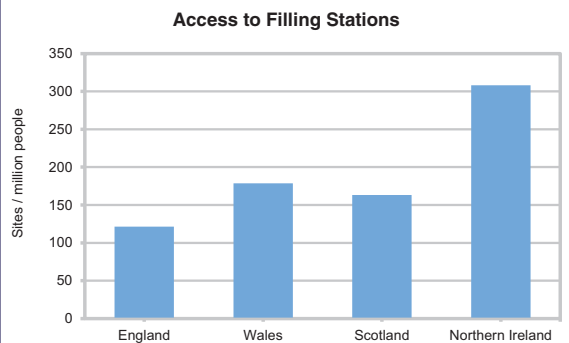
### 8.5 Throughput per Site



Source: Catalist

- The average throughput of all filling stations has risen over the years to a little over 6.5 million litres per year. However, there is a huge disparity between company, independent and supermarket sites
- The average supermarket site's throughput is currently around 11 million litres per year whilst independent sites average just over 2.3 million litres

### 8.6 Access to Filling Stations



Source: ONS / Catalist

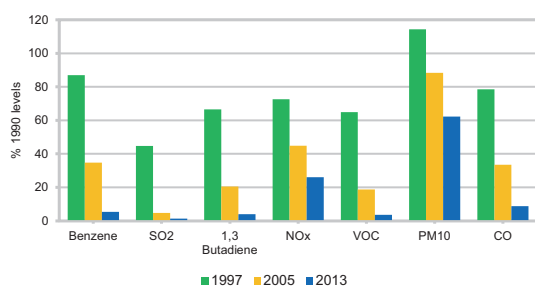
- The number of filling stations per capita is highest in Northern Ireland with around 308 filling stations per million relative to England with 121 per million
- Over the last few years, the number of filling stations has consistently reduced in all but one region, Northern Ireland
- See UKPIA briefing paper – 'Fuel Supply to Rural Filling Stations' for more information

## 9. Air Quality

### Overview of air quality in the UK.

#### 9.1 Vehicular Emissions

Relative Vehicular Emissions of Pollutants - 1990 base



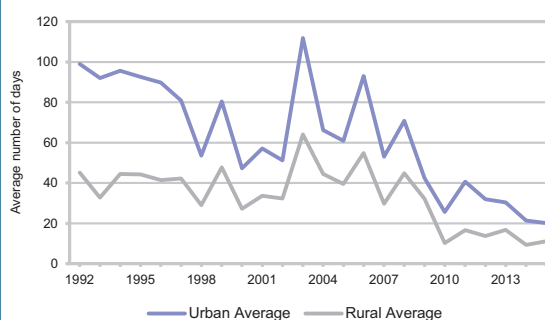
Source: DEFRA

- Emissions of all exhaust gas pollutants have been significantly reduced from 1990 levels
- The largest reduction has been made for SO<sub>2</sub> through the introduction of zero sulphur petrol and diesel (the move to zero sulphur fuels for off-road machinery vehicles was introduced in 2011)

\* 2013 was the latest available data at time of print

#### 9.2 Air Pollution

Number of Days when Air Pollution is Moderate or Higher

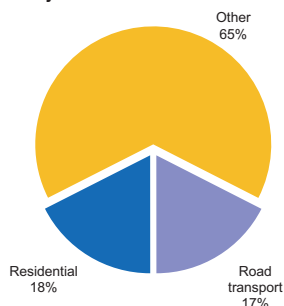


Source: DEFRA

- Air pollution in urban areas has fluctuated over time but there has been a general long term decline in high air pollution days at both urban and rural monitoring sites
- Days of moderate or higher air pollution for urban areas have shown a clear downward trend
- The variability of weather from year to year plays an important role; for example, the hot summers of 2003 and 2006 resulted in high pollution levels mainly caused by ozone, some associated with trans-boundary sources. The comparatively cooler summers in 2007, 2010 and 2012 ensured air pollution reverted to low levels

#### 9.3 Primary Particulate Matter

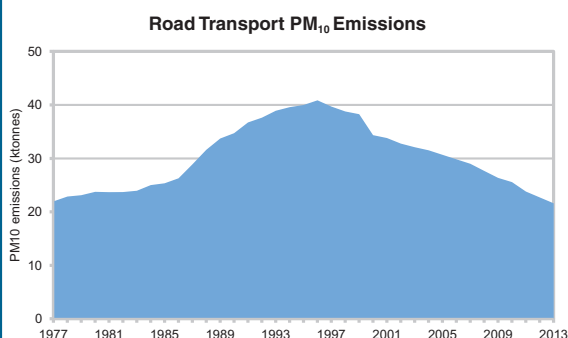
Primary Particulate Matter Sources 2013



Source: DEFRA

- In 2013, the combustion of road fuels accounted for 17% of the UK's primary emissions of particulate matter, slightly lower compared to the previous year
- The residential sector accounted for 18% of emissions. Over 65% of particulate matter emissions were produced by other sources, including industry and power generation
- Ambient levels of PM<sub>10</sub> include fine particles from primary (around a third), secondary and other sources

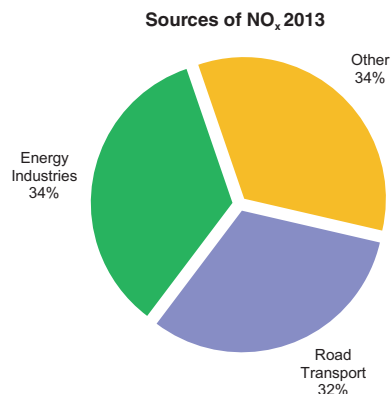
## 9.4 Road Transport PM<sub>10</sub> Emissions



Source: DEFRA

- Emissions of particulate matter (PM<sub>10</sub>) from road transport peaked in 1996 at 40 thousand tonnes
- They have since declined by almost half, due to tighter standards for vehicular emissions and the move to 'sulphur free' road fuels
- However, the increased dieselisation of the car park has had an impact on this trend as PM<sub>10</sub> emissions are higher from diesel than petrol

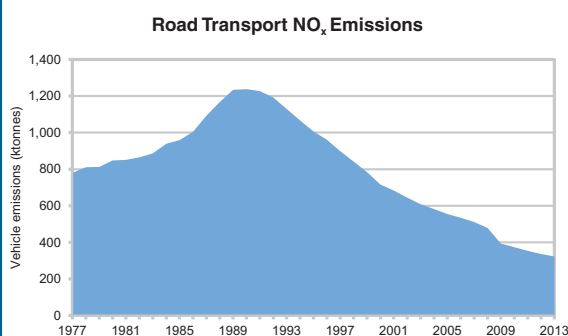
## 9.5 Sources of NO<sub>x</sub>



Source: DEFRA

- Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) are mainly formed as a by-product from the combustion of fossil fuels
- Less than one third of UK's total NO<sub>x</sub> emissions in 2013 was from road transport
- Tighter EU exhaust emission standards will reduce vehicle NO<sub>x</sub> emissions further

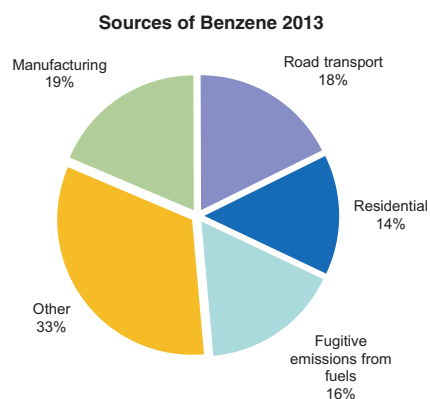
## 9.6 Road Transport NO<sub>x</sub> Emissions



Source: DEFRA

- Nitrogen oxides are acidifying and eutrophying gases and give rise to ground-level ozone
- Road transport NO<sub>x</sub> emissions have fallen by 74% from their peak in 1990 to around 323k tonnes in 2013
- Tighter EU exhaust emission standards will reduce vehicle NO<sub>x</sub> emissions further

## 9.7 Sources of Benzene

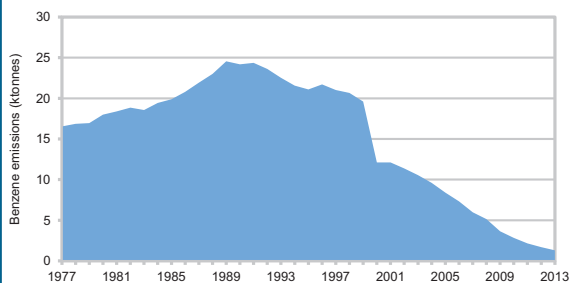


Source: DEFRA

- In 2013, road transport was responsible for 18% of the UK's benzene emissions
- Stage II Vapour Recovery ensures the recovery of petrol vapour that would otherwise be emitted to the air during the refuelling of vehicles at filling stations
- Benzene is naturally present in crude oil and is also formed during refining
- Most benzene is removed to comply with specifications

## 9.8 Road Transport Benzene Emissions

Road Transport Benzene Emissions

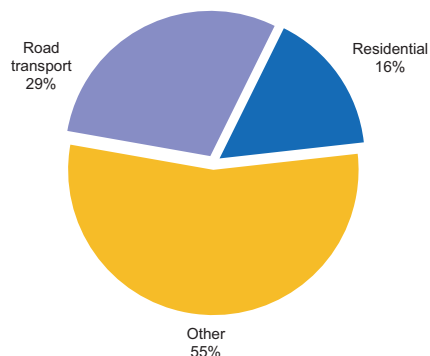


Source: DEFRA

- Emissions of benzene from road transport have reduced significantly since 1990 due to the introduction of exhaust after-treatment technology enabled by unleaded petrol
- In 2000 emissions of benzene were further reduced following the lowering of the benzene and aromatics limits in petrol

## 9.9 Sources of CO

Sources of CO 2013

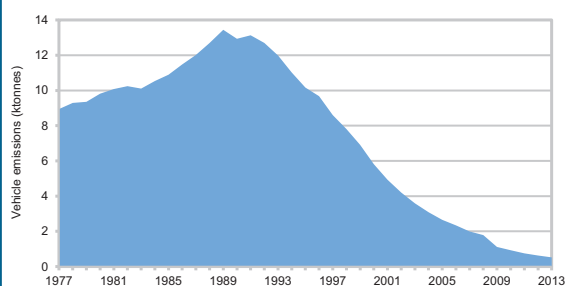


Source: DEFRA

- Carbon monoxide is formed from the incomplete combustion of fossil fuels
- In 2013 road transport was responsible for 29% of the UK's carbon monoxide emissions – down 14% in real volume from the previous year
- The residential sector was responsible for 16% of emissions
- Other sources include power stations, aviation, metal production and waste incinerators

## 9.10 Road Transport 1,3-Butadiene Emissions

Road Transport 1,3-Butadiene Emissions

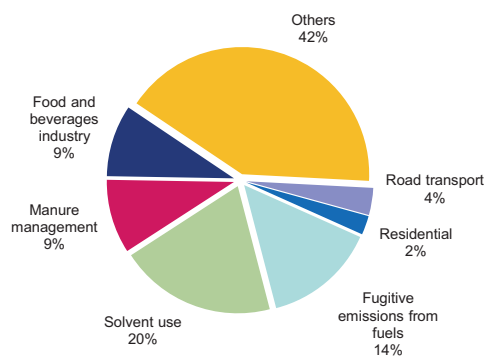


Source: DEFRA

- Emissions of 1,3-butadiene have reduced by 96% since 1990
- Further reductions are expected as a greater proportion of vehicles meet new car exhaust emissions standards

## 9.11 Sources of VOCs

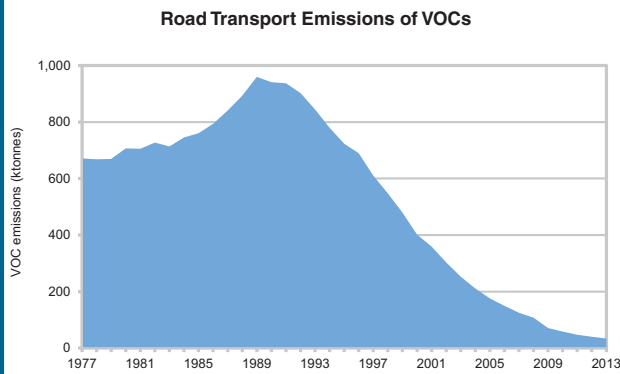
Sources of VOCs 2013



Source: DEFRA

- In 2013, road transport was responsible for 4% of the UK's volatile organic compound emissions, a 15% decrease in real volume compared to the previous year

## 9.12 Road Transport Emissions of VOCs



Source: DEFRA

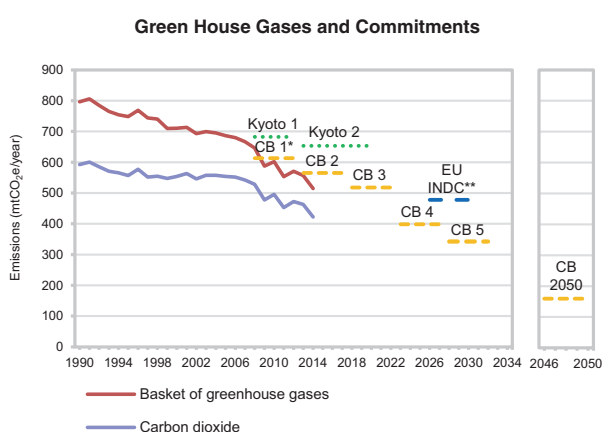
- Road transport emissions of VOCs have dramatically reduced since their peak in 1991, falling by over 96%
- This reduction has resulted from the introduction of catalytic converters in cars and the switch to more diesel vehicles

# 10. Greenhouse Gases

A key UK Government commitment is to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases by 80% by 2050 relative to 1990 levels. The main greenhouse gas is carbon dioxide, CO<sub>2</sub>. Emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from road transport have reduced significantly when compared to

the overall increasing mileage. In 2015, the average CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of new cars was around 36% lower compared to 17 years ago, reflecting improvements in vehicle efficiency enabled in part by cleaner fuels.

## 10.1 Greenhouse Gases and Commitments



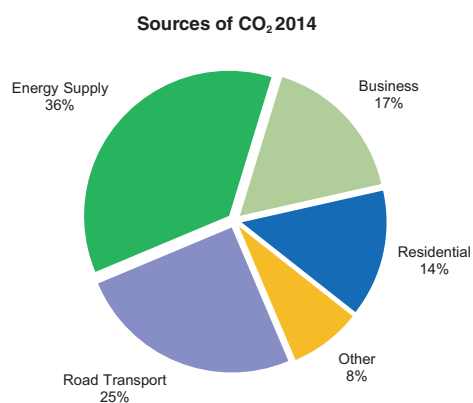
- The UK met the targets identified under the Kyoto protocol in 1999 – 13 years ahead of the target year - delivering a 12.5% reduction in greenhouse gases compared to 1990
- Under the Climate Change Act 2008 the Government is required to set five yearly carbon budgets, twelve years in advance, from 2008 to 2050. The aim is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by at least 80% by 2050 compared to 1990 levels
- The first three carbon budgets were set in May 2009 and require emissions to be reduced by at least 34% below base year levels in 2020
- Latest emissions data (2014) measure UK's carbon footprint at 422 million tonnes per year, and the basket of greenhouse gases at 514.4 million tonnes
- Emissions recorded in 2014 are about 29% lower relative to carbon dioxide levels in 1990, and 35% lower relative to basket of greenhouse gases in 1990

\*CB - UK Carbon Budget

\*\*EU INDC - EU Intended Nationally Determined Contribution

Source: DECC

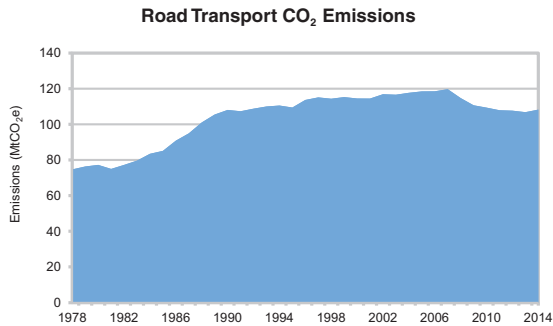
## 10.2 Sources of Carbon Dioxide



Source: DECC

- Road transport produces approximately 25% of the UK's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions – around 108 million tonnes
- The energy supply industry, along with the residential and business sectors are also major sources of CO<sub>2</sub>

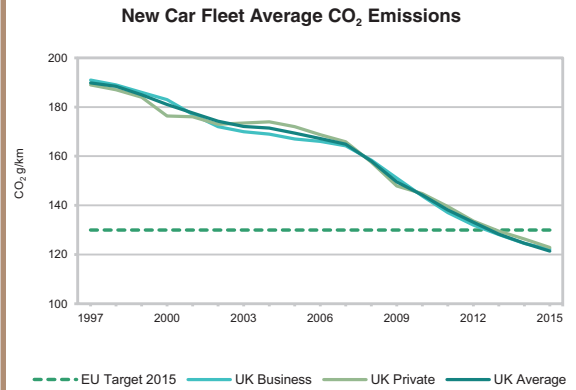
### 10.3 Road Transport CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions



Source: DECC

- CO<sub>2</sub> road transport emissions increased slightly in 2014, following a five-year decline
- Since 1990, emissions from road transport have risen at a much lower rate than vehicle mileage
- This can be attributed to the use of more efficient vehicle technologies enabled by cleaner fuels, and an increased proportion of diesel vehicles
- The Renewable Energy Directive (RED) mandates that 10% of transport energy is to be from renewable sources, whilst the Fuel Quality Directive (FQD), mandates a reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 6%, all to be completed by 2020

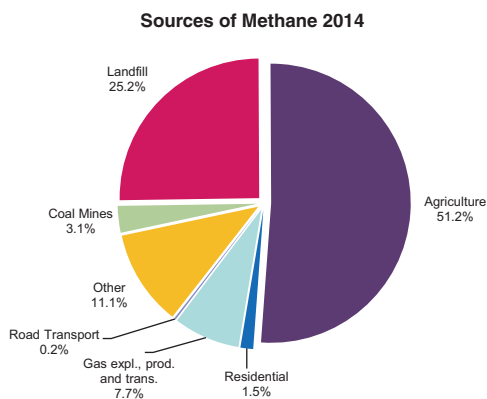
### 10.4 CO<sub>2</sub> from New Cars



Source: SMMT / European Commission

- UK average new car CO<sub>2</sub> emissions have fallen every year on record, and in 2015 the UK average level of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions was 121.4g/km
- Future emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> from road transport will continue to be lowered by further improvements in vehicle efficiency

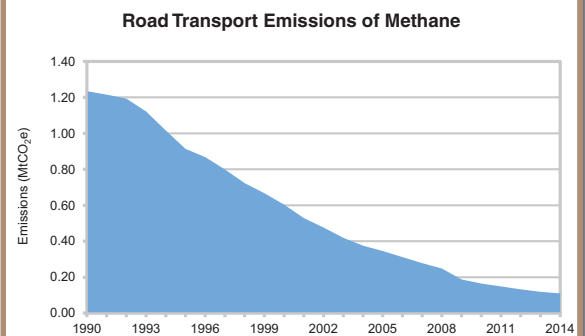
### 10.5 Sources of Methane



Source: DECC

- Road transport is a minor contributor to methane emissions, producing around 0.2% of the UK total in 2014
- The main contributing sector is agriculture which accounted for over half of methane emissions

### 10.6 Emissions of Methane



Source: DECC

- Despite the low level of emissions, reductions are still being achieved as a result of the introduction of exhaust after-treatment technologies



# 11. Process Safety

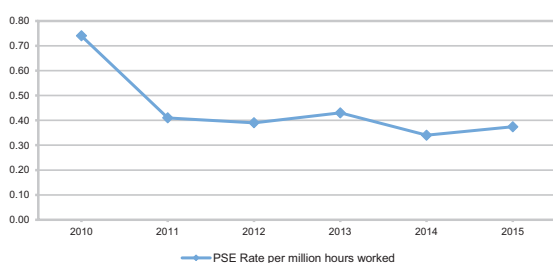
This section has been produced as one of the key objectives of UKPIA's commitment to process safety, and in response to the challenges set by the Buncefield Major Incident Investigation Board regarding sector level reporting for key process safety performance indicators.

To ensure consistency in reporting these indicators as an industry sector, UKPIA members have adopted the American Petroleum Institute's (API) Recommended

Practice (RP) 754, 'Process Safety Performance Indicators for the Refining and Petrochemical Industries'. It is on the indicators classified as Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 that this section is based.

## 11.1 Tier 1 PSE Rate

Process Safety Event Rate

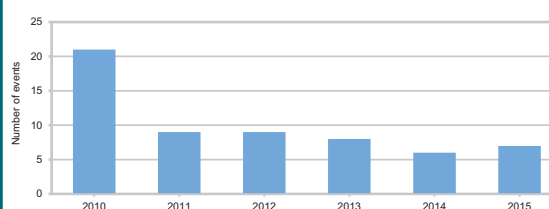


Source: UKPIA

- The Tier 1 PSE Rate provides an indication of the number of Tier 1 Process Safety Events (PSE) that have occurred against the total number of hours worked, this is normalised per million hours
- The number of Tier 1 events over the last five years have almost halved

## 11.2 Tier 1 events, refineries

Events - Refineries

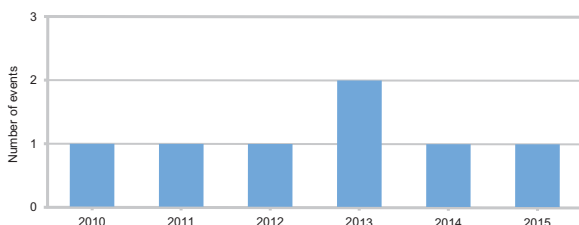


Source: UKPIA

- The number of Tier 1 events reported at refineries in the 12 month period

## 11.3 Tier 1 events, terminals

Events - Terminals

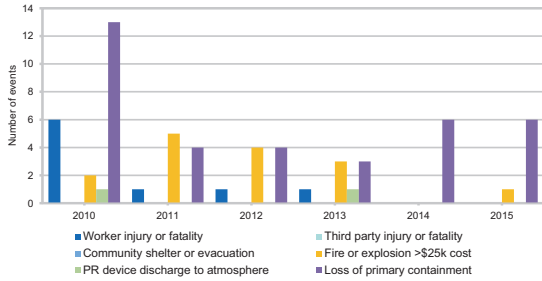


Source: UKPIA

- The number of Tier 1 events reported at terminals in a 12 month period
- In 2015, only one Tier 1 terminal event was reported

### 11.4 Tier 1 events by consequence, refineries

Events by Consequence - Refineries

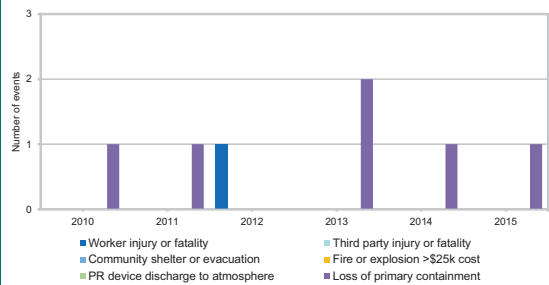


Source: UKPIA

- The consequences of Tier 1 events at refineries for a 12 month period. Note that there may be more than one consequence per Tier 1 event

### 11.5 Tier 1 events by consequence, terminals

Events by Consequence - Terminals

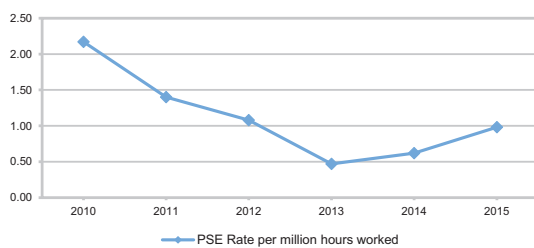


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### 11.6 Tier 2 PSE Rate

Process Safety Event Rate

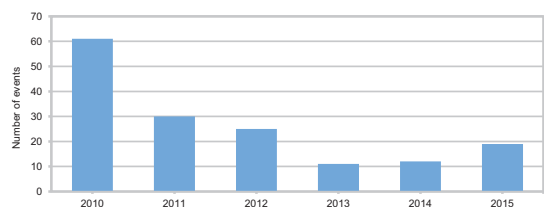


Source: UKPIA

- The Tier 2 PSE Rate provides an indication of the number of Tier 2 Process Safety Events (PSE) that have occurred against the total number of hours worked, this is normalised per million hours

### 11.7 Tier 2 events, refineries

Events - Refineries

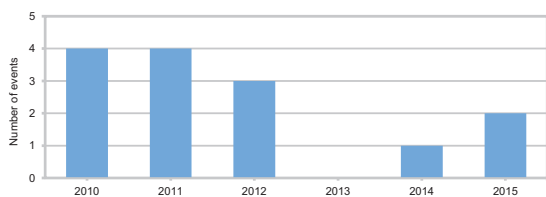


Source: UKPIA

- The number of Tier 2 events reported at refineries in a 12 month period
- Despite the slight increase in Tier 2 events in 2015, the average number of reported events has decreased by almost 70% over the last five years

### 11.8 Tier 2 events, terminals

Events - Terminals

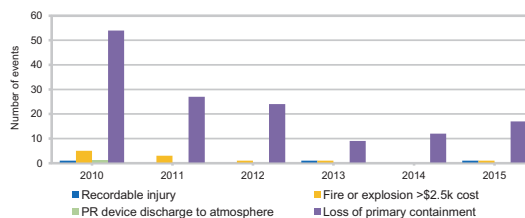


Source: UKPIA

- The number of Tier 2 events reported at terminals in a 12 month period

### 11.9 Tier 2 events by consequence, refineries

Events by Consequence - Refineries

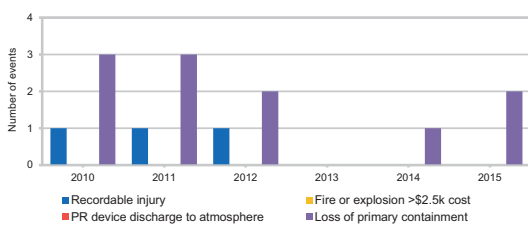


Source: UKPIA

- The consequences of Tier 2 events at refineries for a 12 month period. Note that there may be more than one consequence per Tier 2 event

### 11.10 Tier 2 events by consequence, terminals

Events by Consequence - Terminals

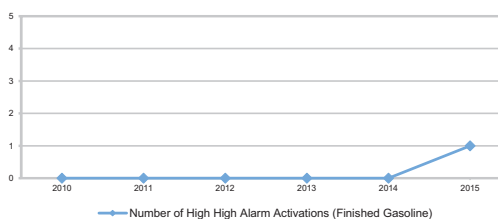


Source: UKPIA

- The consequences of Tier 2 events at terminals for a 12 month period. Note that there may be more than one consequence per Tier 2 event

### 11.11 Tier 3 Number of High High Alarm Activations on PSLG Scope Finished Gasoline Tanks

Number of High High Alarm Activations (Finished Gasoline Tanks\*)



\*Notes:  
 1. Excludes spurious trips and activations due to planned alarm testing  
 2. The definition of PSLG scope finished gasoline tanks can be found in the final PSLG report, paragraph 24

Source: UKPIA

- High High alarm activation provides an indication of the number of times a safety related (or instrumented) system has been activated on finished gasoline tanks which fall under the scope of the PSLG report

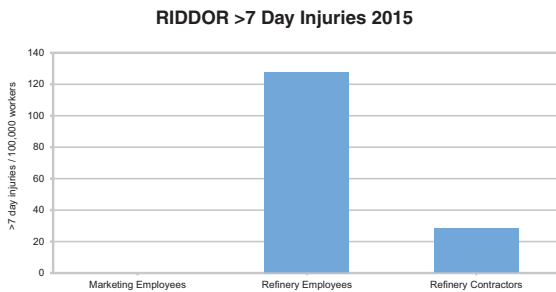
## 12. Occupational Health and Safety

The Refining and Marketing sector remains one of the safest manufacturing industries in the UK, with proportionately fewer injuries occurring than in the manufacturing sector as a whole.

Due to changes in reporting of RIDDOR (reporting of injuries, disease and dangerous occurrences regulations), data provided in this chapter have been reconfigured and restarted. Reporting requirements

mostly remained unchanged. However, the requirement for an employer to record accidents that result in the incapacitation of a worker (inability to work) changed from 'for more than 3 days' to 7 days.

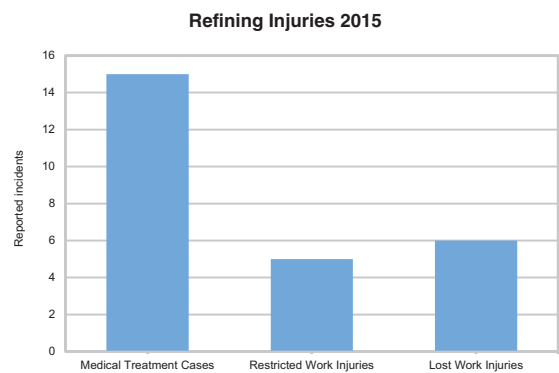
### 12.1 RIDDOR >7 day Injuries by Category of Worker



Source: UKPIA

- RIDDOR >7 day shows the frequency of injuries in three downstream categories: marketing employees, refinery employees and refinery contractors

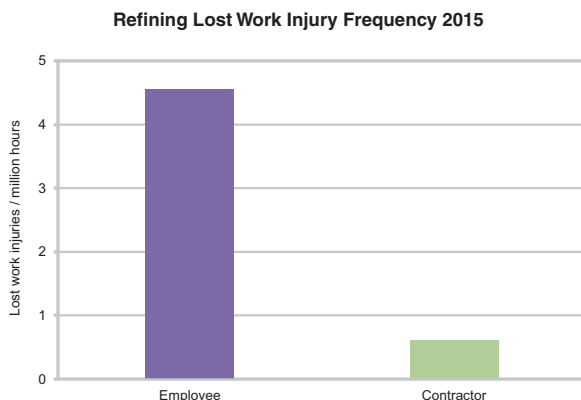
### 12.2 Refining Injuries



Source: UKPIA

- Refining Injuries are reported according to impact severity of injury

### 12.3 Refining Lost Work Injury Frequency

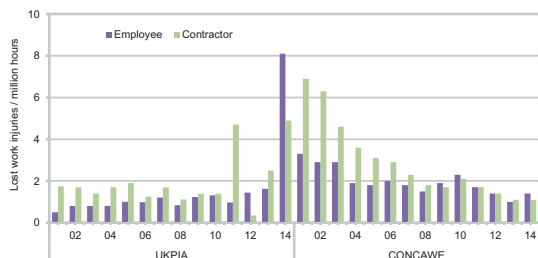


Source: UKPIA

- Refining Lost Work Injury Frequency compares lost work incidents relative to millions of hours of work between refinery contractors and employees

## 12.4 Refining Lost Work Injuries Frequency compared to Europe

Refining Lost Work Injuries



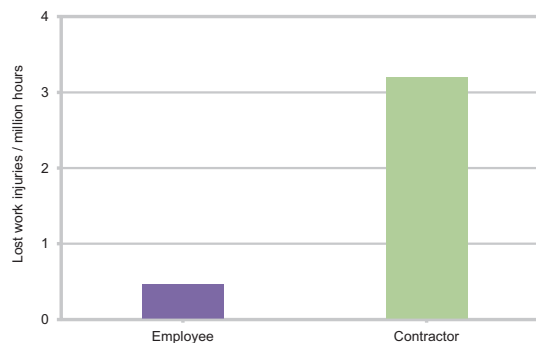
Source: UKPIA / CONCAWE

- This graph, generated using RIDDOR data, compares UKPIA with European safety data (CONCAWE)

**Note:** CONCAWE (Conservation of Clean Air and Water in Europe) is the European oil industry technical body focussed on environment, health and safety.

## 12.5 Marketing Lost Work Injury Frequency

Marketing Lost Work Injury Frequency 2015



Source: UKPIA

- The Lost Work Injury Frequency for the marketing division of the downstream oil sector compares injuries of contractors and employees

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