

Challenges and strategies for refiners in a decarbonising world

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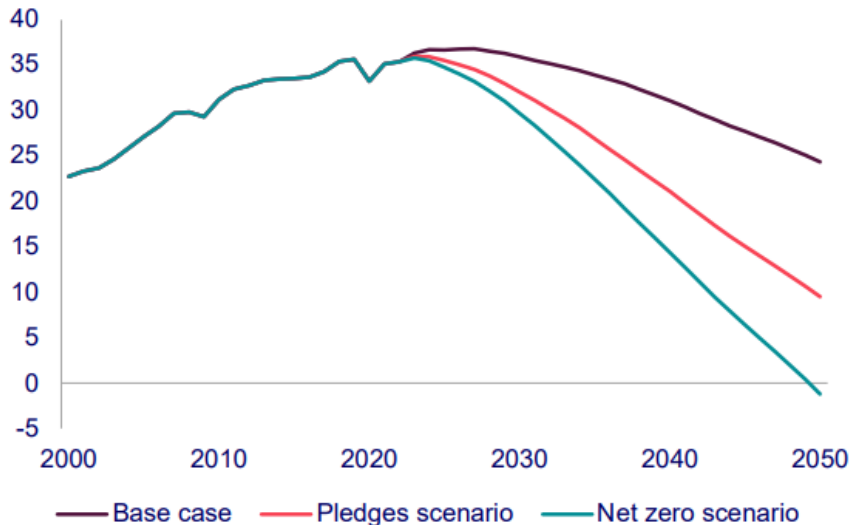


Energy Transition and Market Drivers

Wood Mackenzie's energy transition outlook base case is consistent with a 2.5 °C global warming outcome by 2050, falling short of the Paris Agreement targets

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Global energy-related CO₂ emissions, Bt

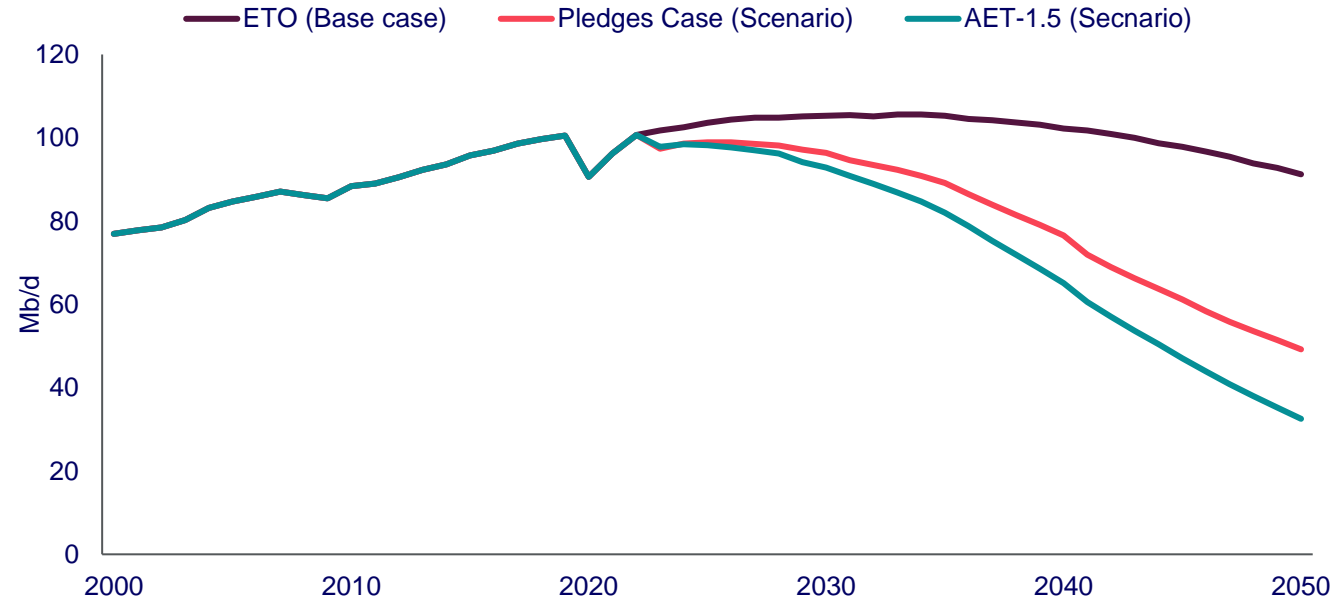


Outlook	Trajectory	Policy	Enabler
Base case	Consistent with 2.5 °C global warming	Evolution of current policies and aligns with the SPOs released in H1 2023	Steady advancement of current and nascent technologies
Pledges scenario	Consistent with below 2 °C warming (Global net zero by 2060)	Aligned with net zero pledges announced in the run-up to COP28	Incorporates policy response to the current energy crisis, and geopolitical challenges facing the global economy
Net zero 2050 scenario	Consistent with 1.5 °C warming (Global net zero by 2050)	Aligned with most ambitious goal of Paris Agreement	Immediate peak energy; rapid hydrogen and carbon removal deployment; consumer shift

Under the base case oil remains a major part of the energy mix, with global demand of ~ 90mb/d in 2050

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Oil demand by outlook, mb/d



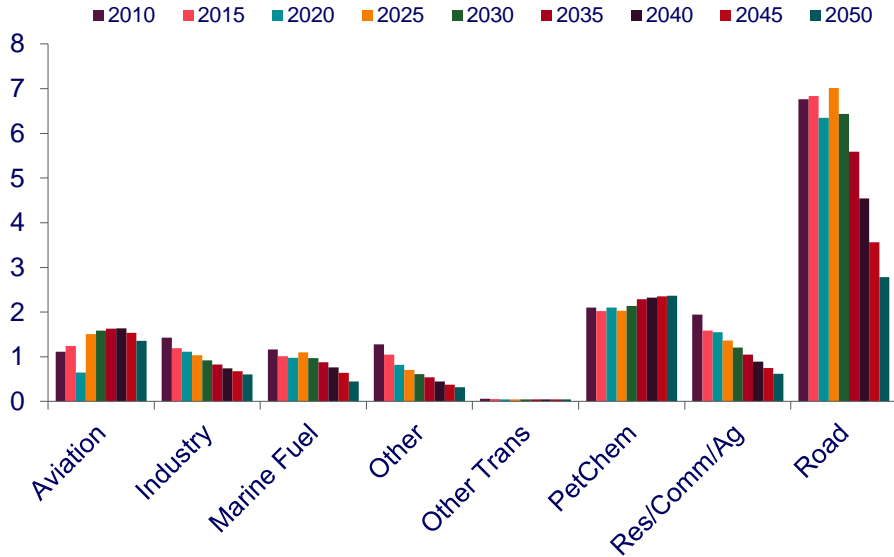
Oil demand peaks circa 2035 at around 105 mb/d before declining to ~90 mbd/ by 2050

An accelerated energy transition scenario would see oil demand reduce to 65 mb/d by 2040 and 33 mb/d by 2050

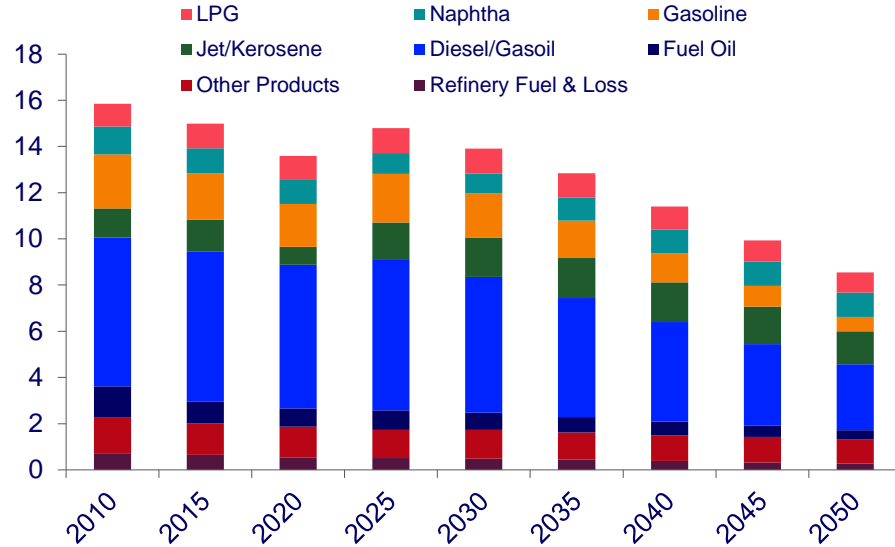
Oil product demand will continue to decline within Europe driven by improving energy efficiency and switching to alternative energy sources

Road transportation will see the most rapid decline as EV's displace demand from ICE's

European Oil Product Demand (mb/d) by Sector



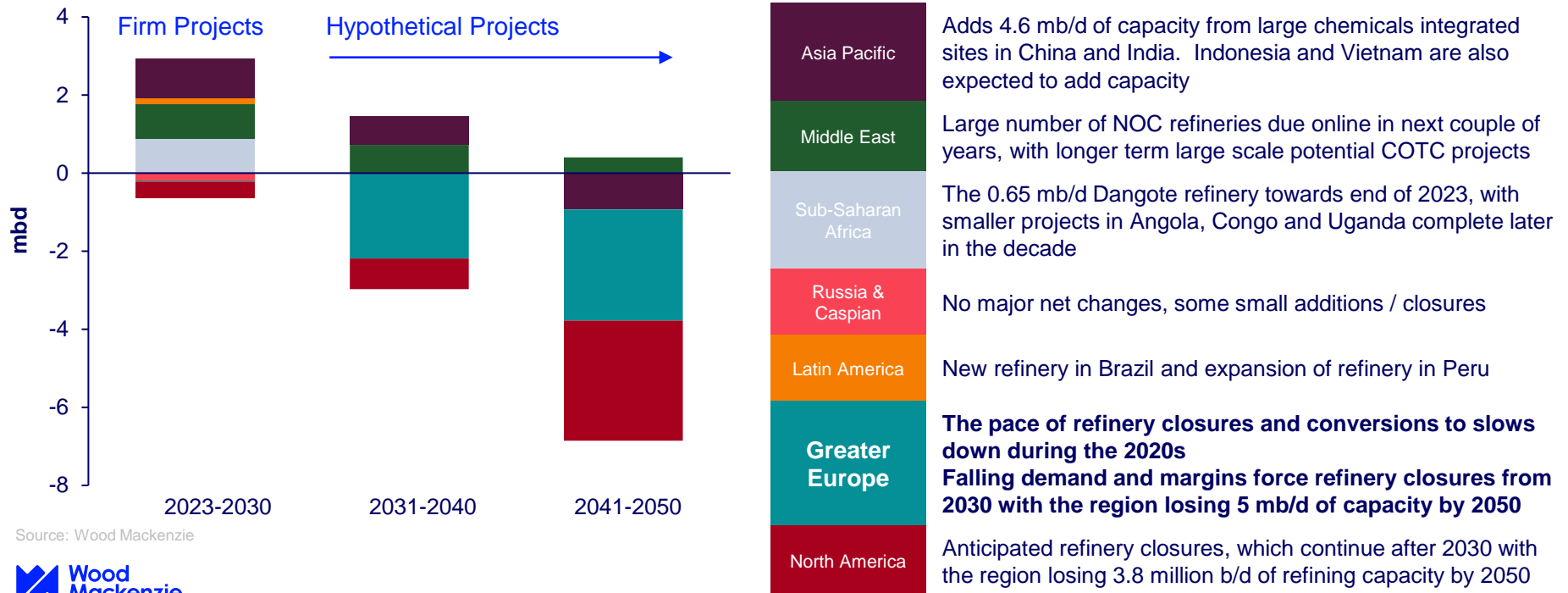
European Oil Product Demand (mb/d) by Product



European refiners will face increased pressure from new refinery capacity being added in Asia and the Middle East

Further structural refinery capacity rationalisation will be expected within Europe beyond 2030

Incremental net regional refining capacity change, mb/d (2023-2050)

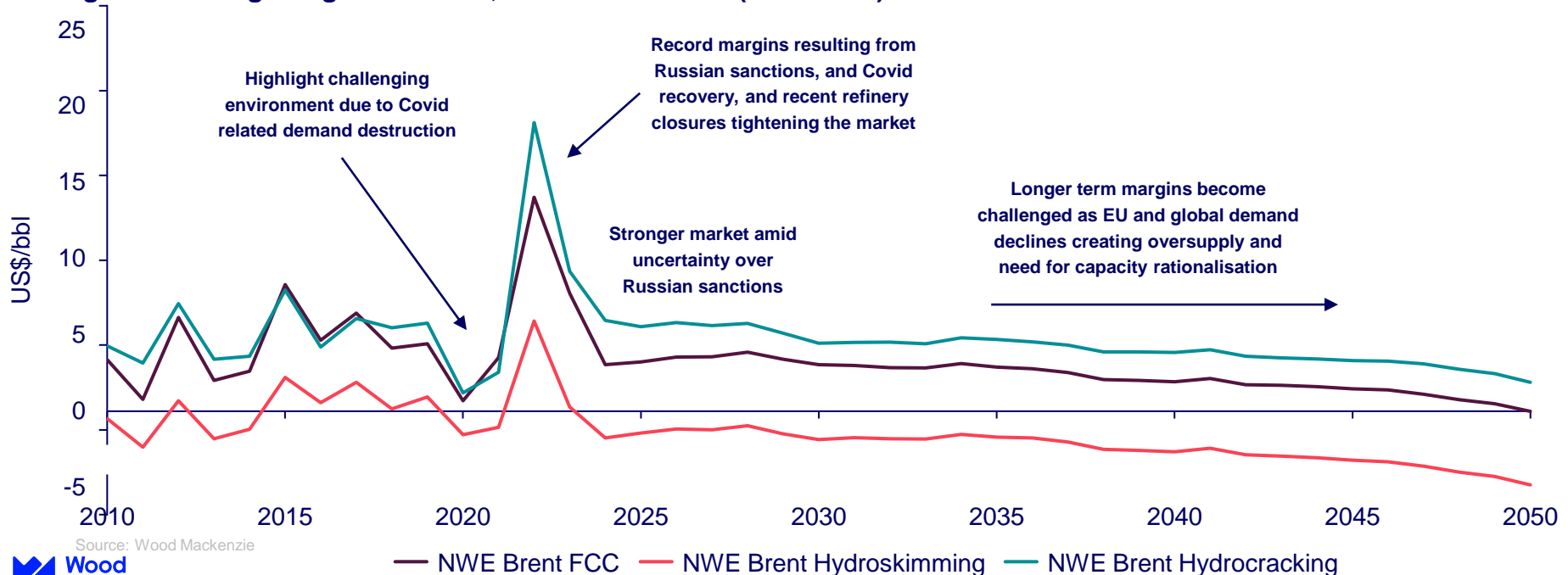


Source: Wood Mackenzie

Benchmark refining margins are expected to fall back from recent highs, but remain relatively attractive through the 2020's in a tight global products market

Complex hydrocracker margins remain advantaged driven by middle distillate strength. FCC margins weaken more significantly as global gasoline demand declines accelerates

NWE gross refining margins forecast, US\$/bbl real 2023 (2010-2050)

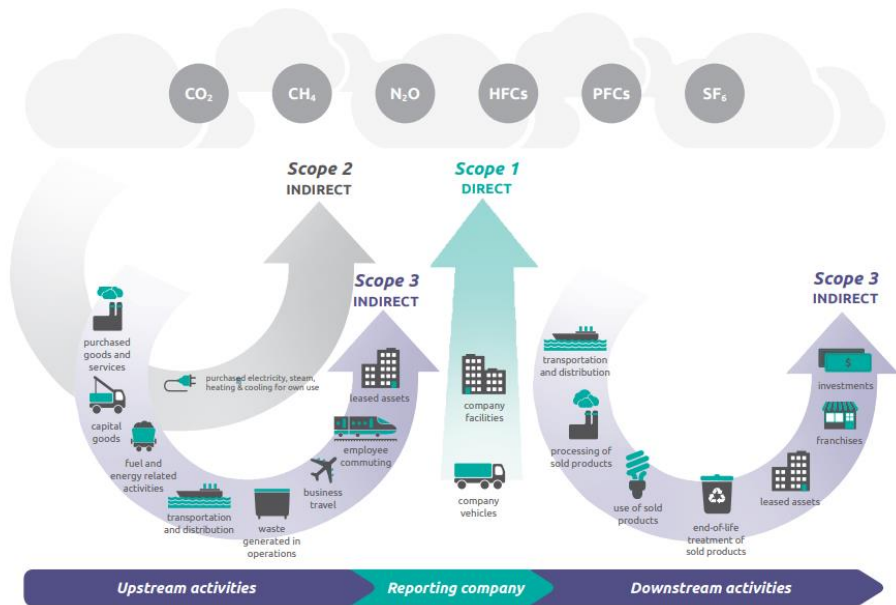


Carbon Emissions Perspectives for Refiners

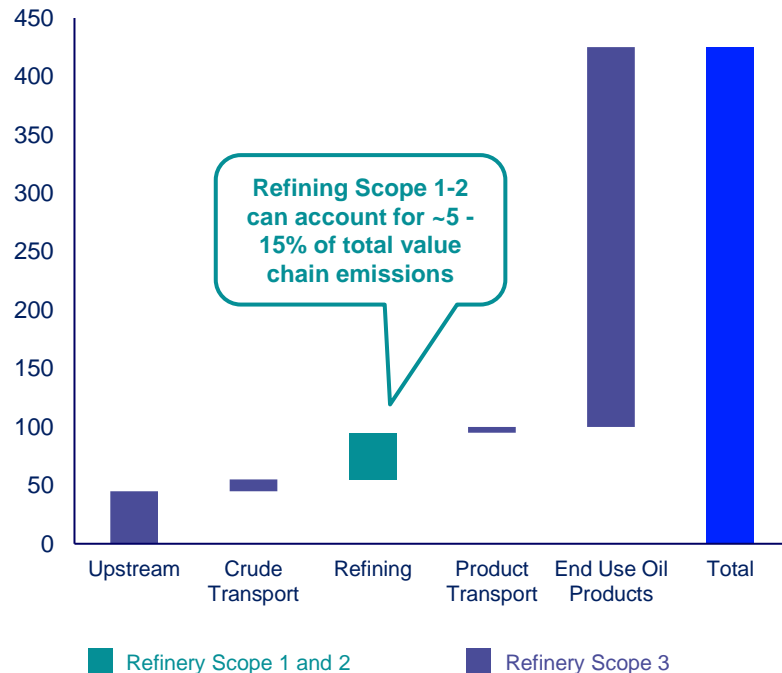
The Greenhouse Gas Protocol's definition of carbon emissions as Scope 1, 2, and 3 is used by companies across many industries

Scope 1 and 2 emissions are **regulated** under the EU ETS, Scope 3 emissions reporting is currently **voluntary**

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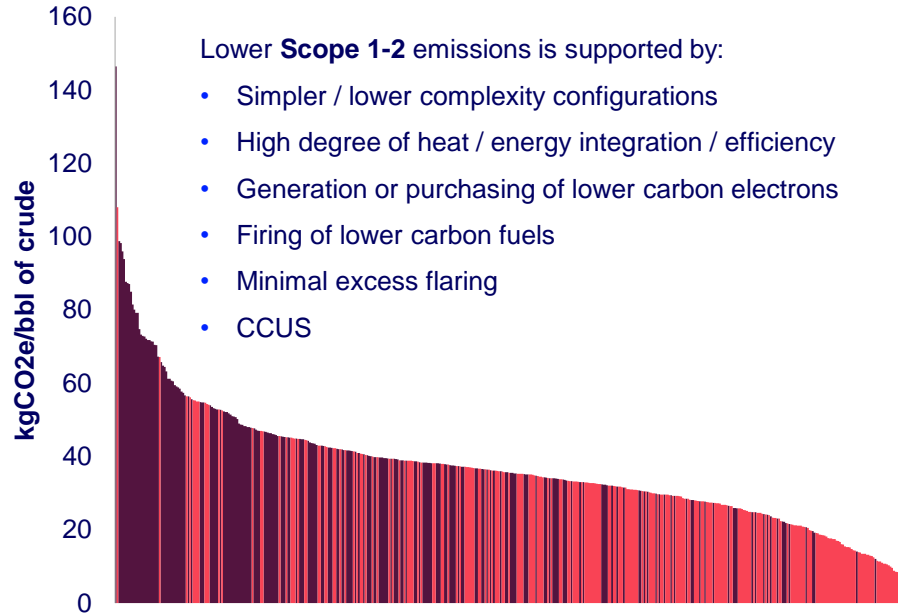
Crude Oil Value Chain Emissions – Example (kgCO₂e/bbl)



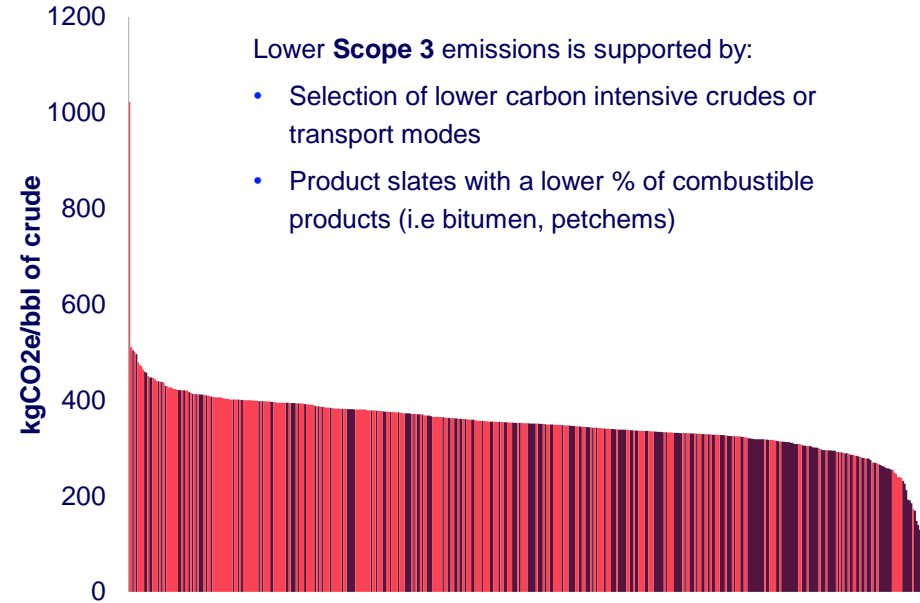
Carbon emissions intensity from refinery operations can vary significantly by asset based on a range of factors

Scope 3 carbon intensity is largely driven by crude slate, logistics, and most importantly product yield

Refinery Scope 1 & 2 emissions intensity, 2022



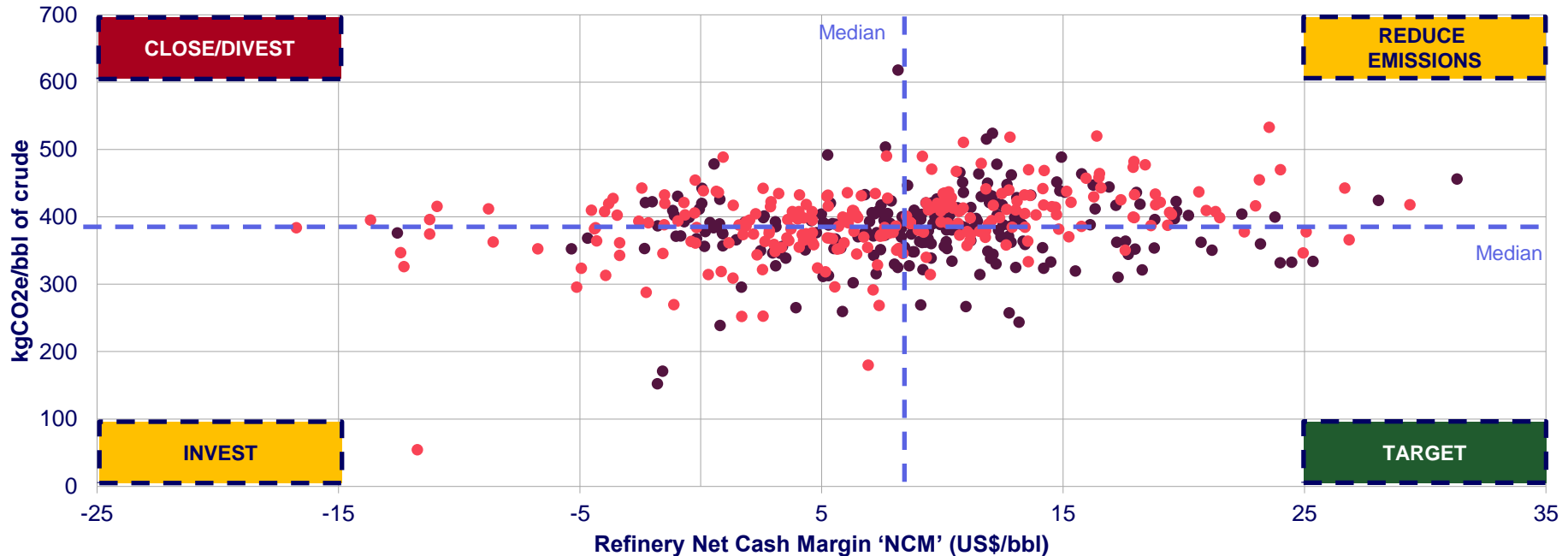
Refinery Scope 3 emissions intensity, 2022



Refiners that have lower carbon intensity and stronger relative competitive position will be better positioned for the energy transition

Refiners will need to increasingly consider carbon intensity in addition to margins

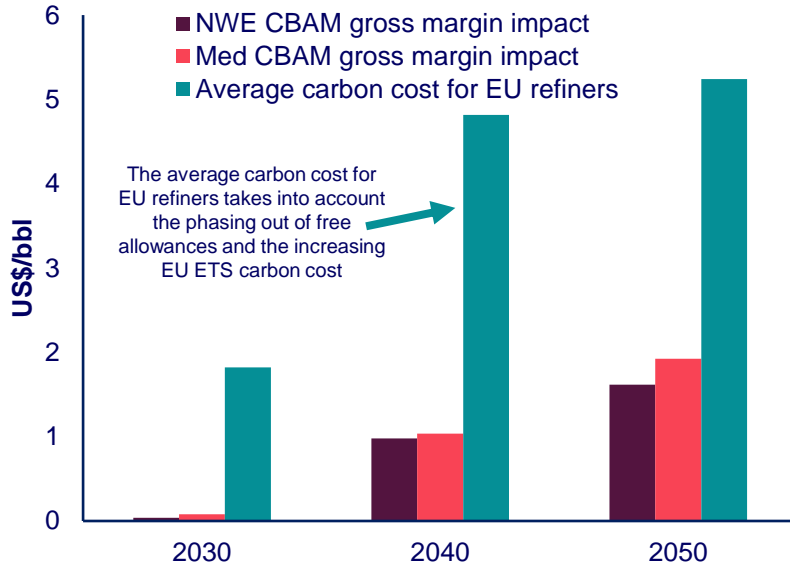
Emissions intensity versus Integrated NCM, Global, 2021-2022



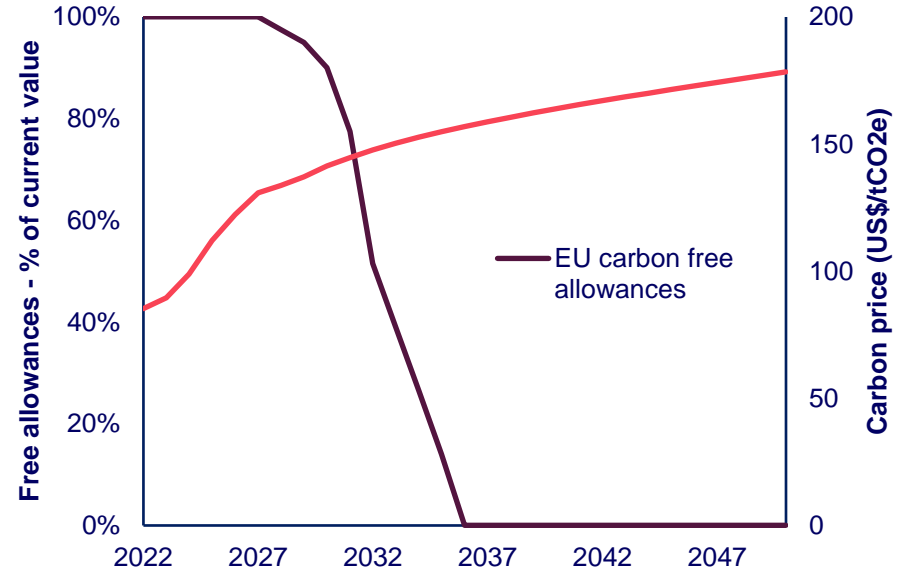
Increasing carbon costs will place a greater cost burden on EU refiners, the CBAM will provide some support but not fully level the playing field

As EU ETS price increases and free allowances phase-out, the average cost of carbon for EU refiners reaches nearly 5 US\$/bbl in 2040 – with CBAM providing only ~1 US\$/bbl of margin support

Impact of CBAM on European gross refining margin, and average carbon cost for EU refiners, US\$/bbl (2030-2050)



Assumed free allowances phase-out profile and EU ETS carbon price, %, US\$/tCO₂e (2022-2050)



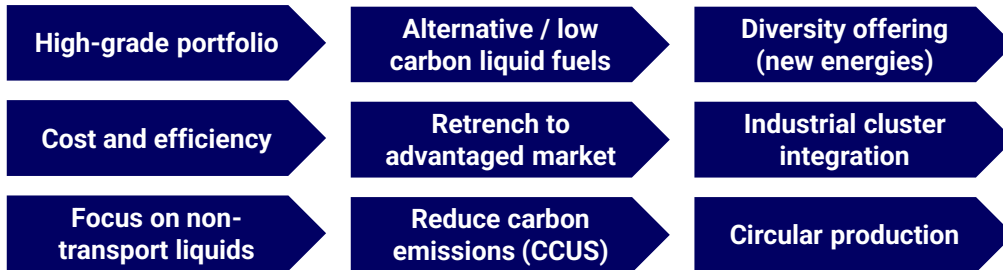
Refining companies will need to develop and implement strategies to manage carbon and adapt to the energy transition market changes while growing margins

The downstream / refining sector is at the forefront of the **energy transition**. Balancing the need to continue to effectively supply the market with fuels while reducing carbon impact

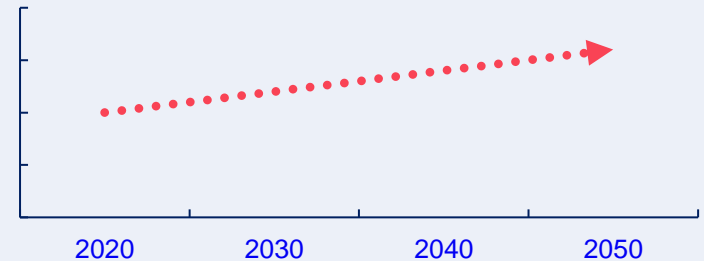
Companies will need **devise strategies** and long-term implementable plans to meet a range of key objectives:

- **Grow revenue and margins** (in a sector where the core market is declining)
- **Reduce carbon / impact** (where core product is highly carbon intensive)

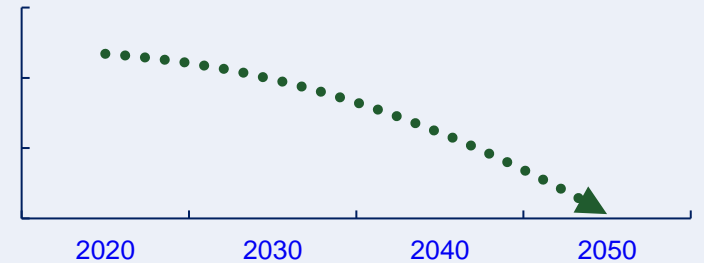
There are a range of different **strategic pathways** refiners could take, and no one solution will work for all businesses – examples:



Revenue / EBITDA



Carbon Emissions / Intensity



Refiners will need to identify which decarbonisation options may be viable and attractive for them, many will have high cost or margin impacts

Reducing absolute scope 3 emissions will require a reduction in production of fossil-based fuels, diversification into new areas over time may make this more feasible

Refinery Integrated Options

Scope	Scope 1 & 2	Scope 3
Energy efficiency improvement	↓ ↓	
CCUS	↓ ↓	
Fuel switching (lower carbon)	↓	
Renewable power integration	↓ ↓	
Flaring reduction	↓	
Integrate green hydrogen (displace grey)	↓ ↓	↓
Yield shift from combustible products		↓ ↓
Co-process bio/sustainable fuels*	↑	↓ ↓
Petrochemical integration*	↑	↓ ↓
Integrate E-fuels production*	↑	↓
Lower carbon crude selection		↓
Lower carbon transportation		↓

Portfolio Options

Scope	Scope 1 & 2	Scope 3
Capacity rationalisation	↓	↓
Refinery sale	↓ ↓ ↓	↓ ↓ ↓
Refinery site closure	↓ ↓ ↓	↓ ↓ ↓

There are a range of low carbon diversification options

- E-mobility
- Renewable power production and sale
- Green/blue hydrogen production and sale
- Site conversion (bio/sustainable fuels)
- Standalone bio/sustainable fuels production
- Standalone e-fuels production
- CCUS as a service
- Carbon offsets – EUA's for scope 1 and 2
- Carbon offsets – voluntary / un-regulated market for scope 3

Appendices

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Biography

Chris leads Wood Mackenzie's EMEA Downstream Consulting team and is based in London.

Since joining Wood Mackenzie Chris has managed a range of projects covering the refining, renewable fuels, petrochemicals, and storage sectors. This has included buy and sell side due diligence / transaction support, government advisory, strategy development, feedstock and product market analysis, greenfield development studies, and competitiveness and opportunity screening

Chris has conducted a number of studies covering refining, petchems, competitiveness and carbon analysis and has led on various biofuels studies including new greenfield investments, pricing and market outlooks, valuations of existing biofuels production businesses, and feasibility of conversion of a refinery to sustainable fuels.

Chris has worked with a broad range of clients including oil majors, NOC's, financial institutions, EPCs, and government ministries predominantly focusing on Europe, Africa, and the Middle East

Prior to joining Wood Mackenzie Chris gained experience within the downstream industry, working for BP and Petroplus at the Coryton Refinery in the UK.

During this time Chris worked in the process engineering team holding a range of technical, operational, and project development roles. He also worked in the commercial planning team providing commercial co-ordination between trading, marketing, and operations teams

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