## **Reducing global transport emissions**

Energy in Transition 'Reducing demand, increasing efficiency' Energy Institute conference,

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### Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership

Accelerating a sustainable shift to low carbon vehicles and fuels in the UK

Stimulating opportunities for UK businesses





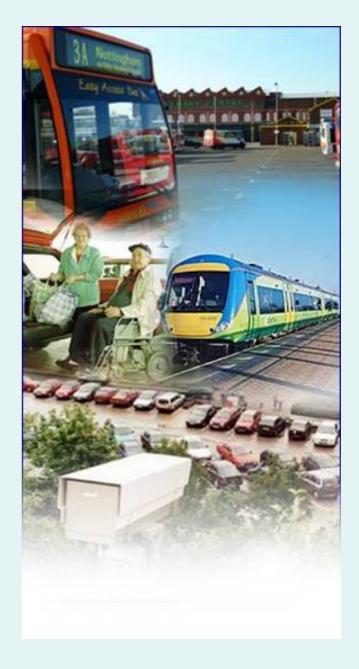
#### Scope

□ The scale of the challenge

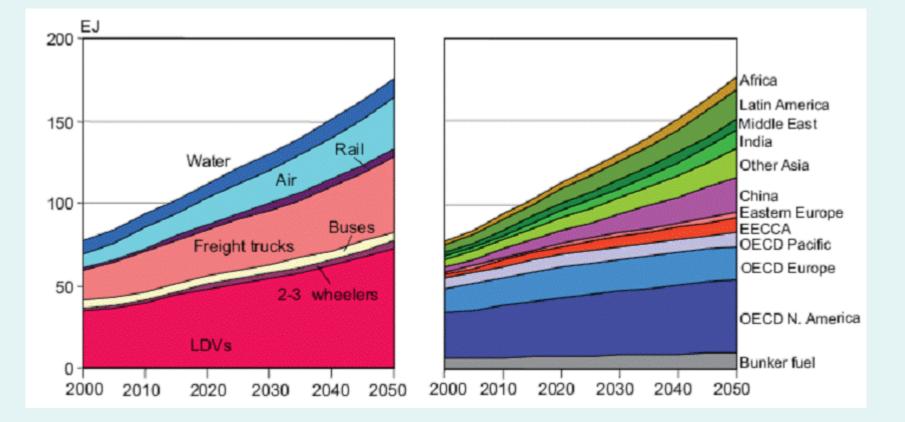
- The technology options for road transport
  - Vehicle efficiency
  - Electric vehicles
  - Hydrogen
  - Biofuels
- Freight
- Aviation

Conclusions and crystal balls





# *Energy demand for transport is projected to more than double by 2050*

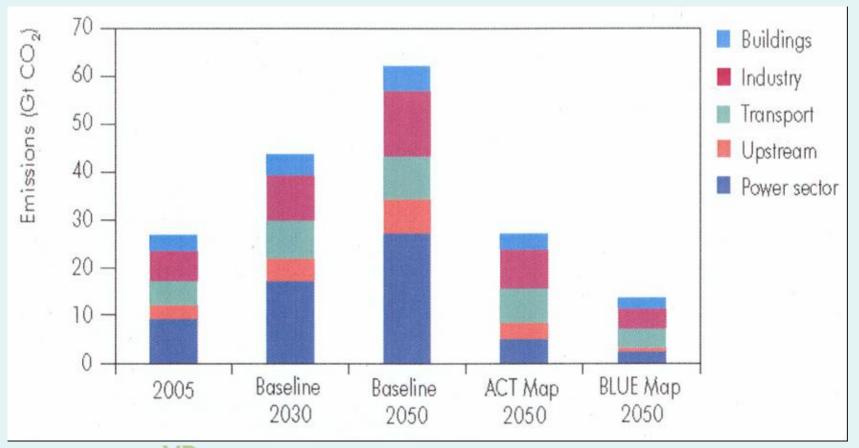


IEA 2008, citing WBCSD 2004



## IEA have produced technology scenarios - only the Blue scenario offer the potential to avoid dangerous climate change

IEA Global CO2 Scenarios

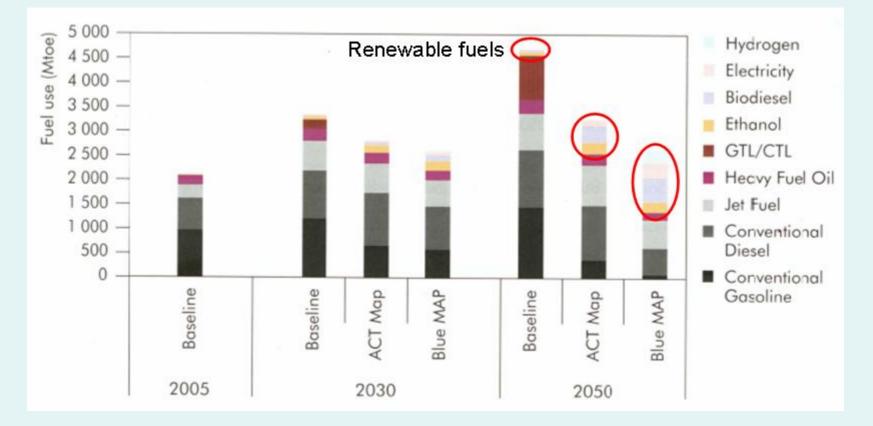


LowC<sup>VP</sup> low carbon vehicle partnership

IEA 2008, Energy Technology Status and Outlook

### BAU is for increasing amounts of higher carbon intensity fossil fuels for transport

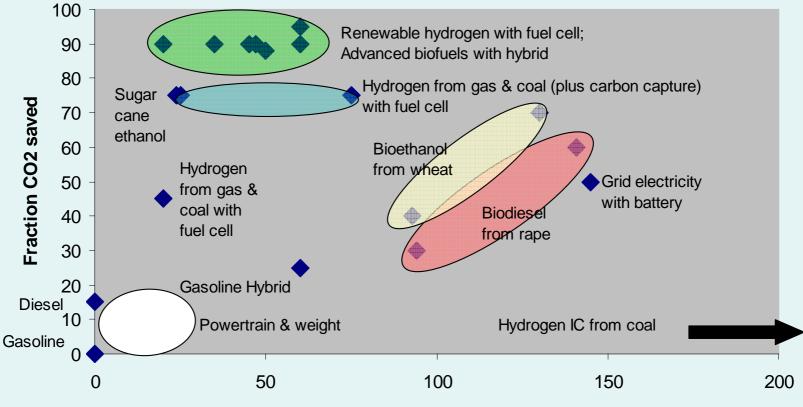
Energy use by year and scenario





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#### Wide range of CO2 savings & cost-effectiveness for alternative fuels and vehicle technology



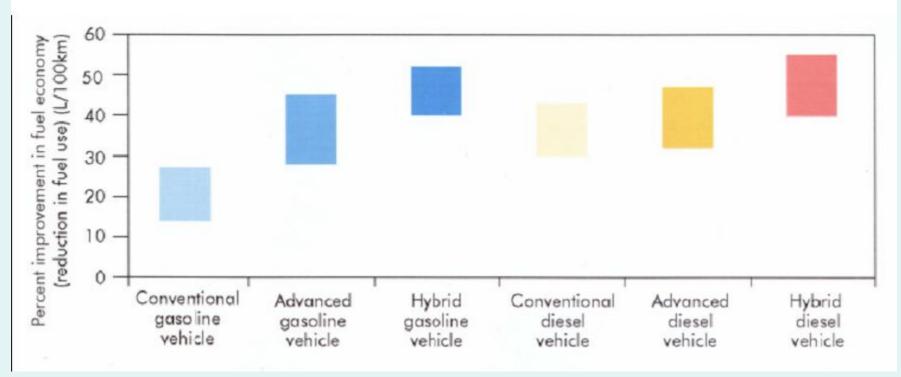
Additional cost £/tonne CO2 avoided



Adapted from E4Tech – A Strategic Framework for Hydrogen Energy in the UK & E4tech submission to the Stern Review

## Over 50% fuel economy savings are possible using existing technology – at a cost

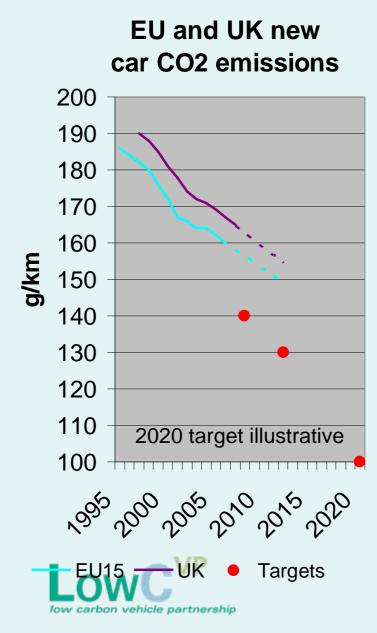
\$1.5-1.8k \$2.8-3.4k \$4-5.4k \$2.5-3.4k \$3-3.6k \$4.2-5.6k





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### Technology <u>deployment</u> remains a challenge



Current new car emissions and the progress to reduce these since 1990 is highly variable:

		Change	g/km
_	EU	c -12%	160
_	Japan	- 19%	145
_	US	+ 4.5%	250
_	Australia	-1.0%	-
_	China	-	190

- Progress constrained by:
  - Increasing vehicle size
  - Increasing vehicle power
  - Increased equipment specification
  - Low consumer demand
  - Low oil prices
  - Weak / ineffective legislation / voluntary agreements
  - Low margins on small vehicles
  - Higher capital costs

# *Consumer interest is tipping in favour of low carbon cars*



Significant tips in consumer behaviour can result from social & environmental concerns

□ For low carbon vehicles a tipping points is being reached driven by:

- High fuel prices
- Regulation in Europe & elsewhere Increased choice of vehicles Policy incentives
- Brand differentiation
- Media attention & public concern
- Increased frequency of severe weather events / evidence of climate change



There is considerable renewed interest in electric vehicles following advances in lithium-ion battery technology and ultra capacitors



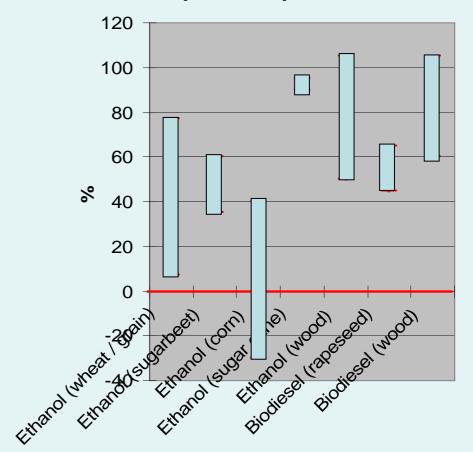




# There are good and bad biofuels that assurance schemes can distinguish between



#### % WTW GHG savings compared to petrol or diesel



## LOWC<sup>VP</sup>

**Derived from Concawe 2006** 

Production of biofuel feedstock can displace existing agricultural production causing land use change and GHGemissions. Production on idle or marginal land has lower risks

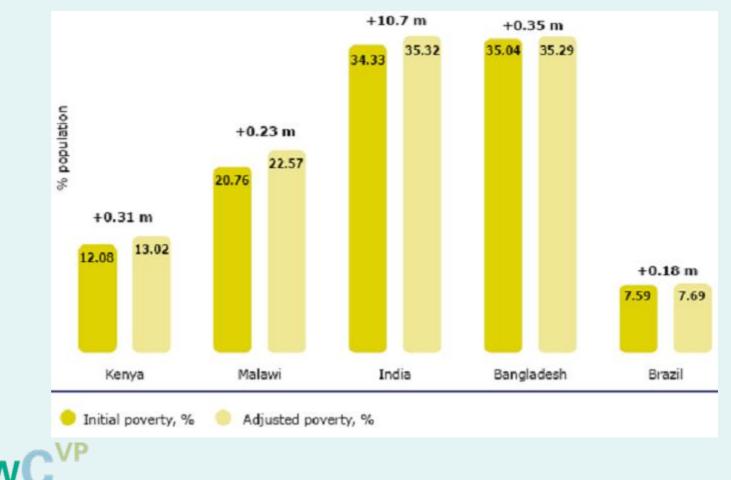
Carbon loses	Indirect land change	
Permanent Pasture		
	Forest	
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Biofuels	Indirect land change	
	Land restoration	
Idle land		
	Marginal land	
Biofuels		





#### Biofuels have a sharp short-term effect on oil seed prices and a smaller long term effect on a range of food commodities that increase poverty

Impact of projected price rises on poverty in selected developing countries



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### Hydrogen fuel cell vehicles offer significant but still distant prospects

#### Key challenges:

#### □ Higher costs per unit of energy

- Adequate price of carbon mitigation
- Supply of renewable hydrogen
  Development of refuelling infrastructure and practical storage
- Chicken and egg supply problem
  Supply of a range of affordable vehicles

   Fuel cell costs, durability and reliability

  Improving public acceptability
  Alternative LC-options
  RD&D funding

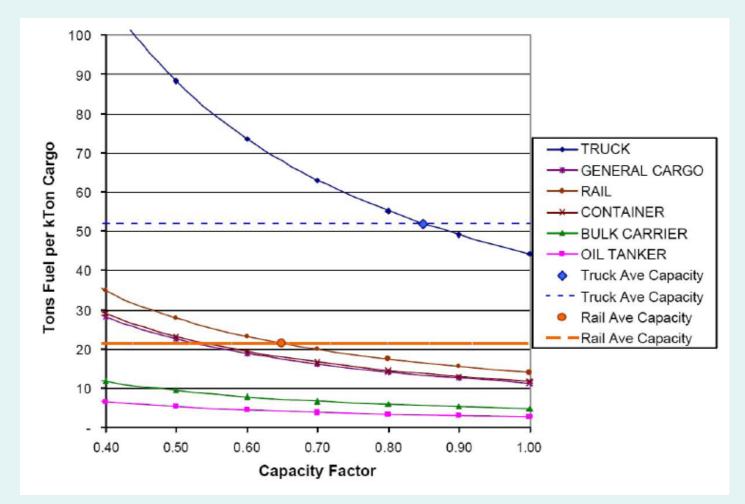








#### Road haulage is the much more carbon intensive than rail – but could be significantly more efficient



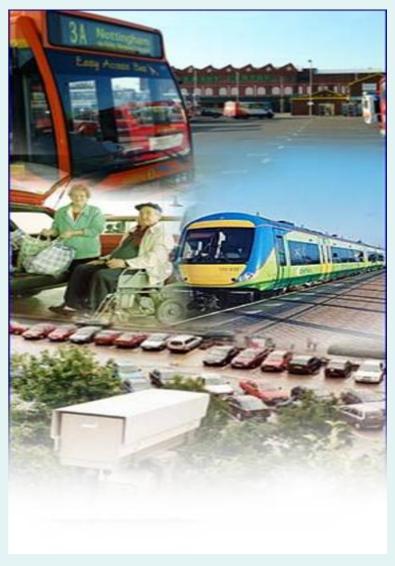


Marintek et al, 2000

### Vehicle technology is only part of the solution

- Improved vehicle efficiency
- Low carbon / alternative fuels
- Smarter driving Improved driver behaviour
- Reduced vehicle use
- Better freight distribution
- Modal shift
- Land-use planning
- □ Tele-working



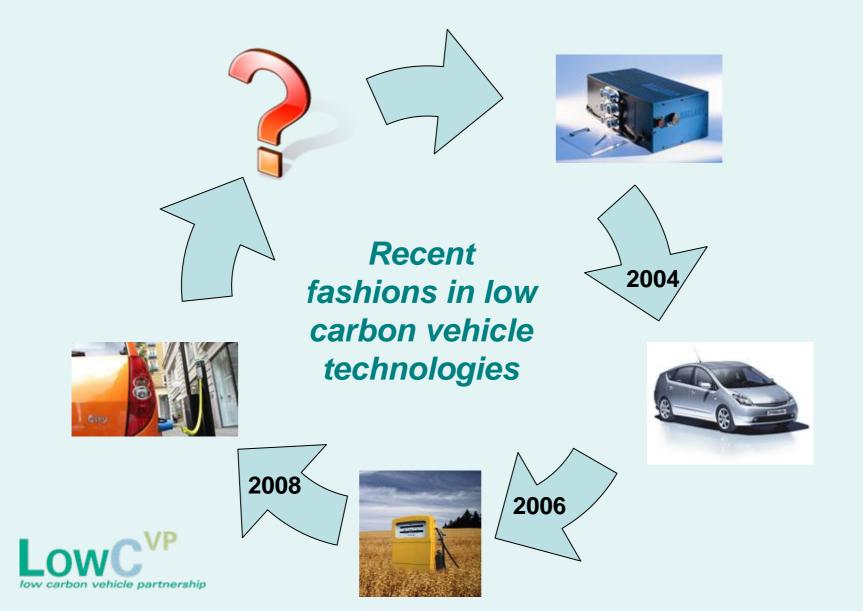


# Aviation growth is outstripping efficiency improvements





#### Recent history shows there are no "silver bullets"



#### Future trends?



Small, light-weight, efficient cheap vehicles e.g., TATA Nano



Diesel hybrid e.g., Citroen C4



Efficient family cars e.g., Ford Econetic



Electric vans and gas trucks e.g., Modec



An end to predict and provide for aviation?



A European network of HST – ending at St Pancras International?

### Conclusions

- BAU is for transport energy demand to more than double by 2050
- Faster technology deployment requires stronger consumer incentives and regulation
- A halving of transport emissions is possible but hugely challenging requiring
  - An achievable a 50%+ improvement in vehicle efficiency
  - Successful introduction of advanced biofuels avoiding indirect land use change
  - Significant market share for electric / hybrid vehicles and possibly FCVs
- Near-term trends are likely to be for:
  - Small efficient cheap vehicles in non-OECD countries
  - Increased demand for fuel economy in OECD countries with higher penetration of hybrids
  - Further development of public transport infrastructure
- Technology is only part of the solution demand management and building public transport infrastructure to encourage modal shift will be key



## **Any Questions?**

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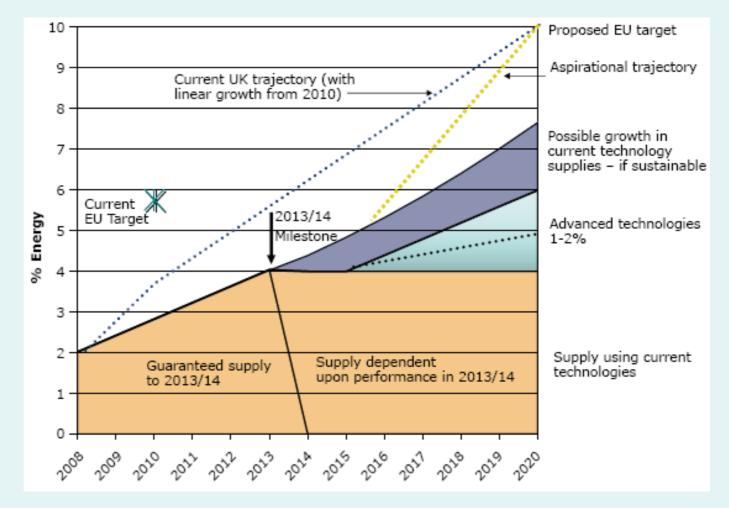


# *Questions – on balance, do you agree or disagree with the statements -*

- "Technology can deliver most of the required reductions in GHG emissions from transport (avoiding the need for significant demand management)?"
- "There will be a significant role for biofuels in a low carbon transport future?"
- "By 2050 a majority of cars will be powered by hydrogen using fuel cells?"



#### The growth in biofuels should be slowed until adequate controls to avoid displacement and food price increases are established





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