



Oil Market Outlook - Short & Long Term

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Prices

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Crude prices stuck in a narrow range, forward curves flattening



After the end-August drop, prices have fluctuated in a narrow \$2-3/bbl range Prices fell across the forward curves in September then flattened in October – partly due to hedging

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Demand

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Global oil demand: recovery slowing down in 2H20



After a strong bounce back from the 2Q20 low (-17% y-o-y), demand in 4Q20 still 5% down y-o-y.. Demand in 2020 is 91.7 mb/d (down 8.4 mb/d on 2019).

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Demand will partially recover in 2021 but remains below 2019 level



Supply

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World oil supply falls remains close to 2012 levels



At 91.1 mb/d, output in September falls 0.6 mb/d m-o-m and nearly 9 mb/d y-o-y. UAE cut output sharply and Brazilian/North Sea output fell on maintenance.

OPEC+ compliance improves as laggards cut back



OPEC+ agreement compliance reaches 103% in September. Despite stricter compliance over-producers must cut output by more than 100 mb.

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Non-OPEC (ex. OPEC+) production declines in 2020



Supplies down 0.3 mb/d in September – down 3 mb/d since end-2019. Total non-OPEC set to fall by 2.6 mb/d in 2020, rebound by modest 0.4 mb/d next year.

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Stocks



Stock draws under way but threatened by weaker fundamentals



Global *implied* stocks are falling in 2H20 at 3.2 mb/d. but from a great height: they grew by 7.7 mb/d in 1H20.

China's crude buying has been vital support for the market in 2020



Chinese implied crude stocks built by 21.3 mb or 0.69 mb/d in August. Chinese net crude oil imports in August fell 0.9 mb/d to 11.05 mb/d. Refinery runs were unchanged, 13.96 mb/d in July.

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Market balance



Oil market is re-balancing but risks from Covid-19 & rising supply



OPEC+ supply cuts and falls in US and Canada transformed the market from surplus to deficit. But the recent resurgence in Covid-19 cases threatens demand growth and could delay re-balancing.

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Long term issues





A massive shock to the energy system

Bringing the pandemic under control in 2021 would allow energy demand to return to pre-Covid levels by 2023. A longer pandemic would usher in the slowest decade of growth for a century.

Without a larger shift in policies, no rapid decline in oil use



In Stated Policies & Delayed Recovery scenarios, demand plateaus in the 2030s as transport demand no longer drives growth. A stronger push for efficiency, electrification and recycling needed for oil use to fall.

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Diversification: the critical watchword for oil and gas producers



Today's value of oil and gas production to 2040

A lower price and demand outlook, due to Covid-19, adds to the strains on countries dependent on oil & gas revenues. The pressure for changes in strategies and business models is even stronger in the SDS.

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