

# Climate and Energy Geopolitics

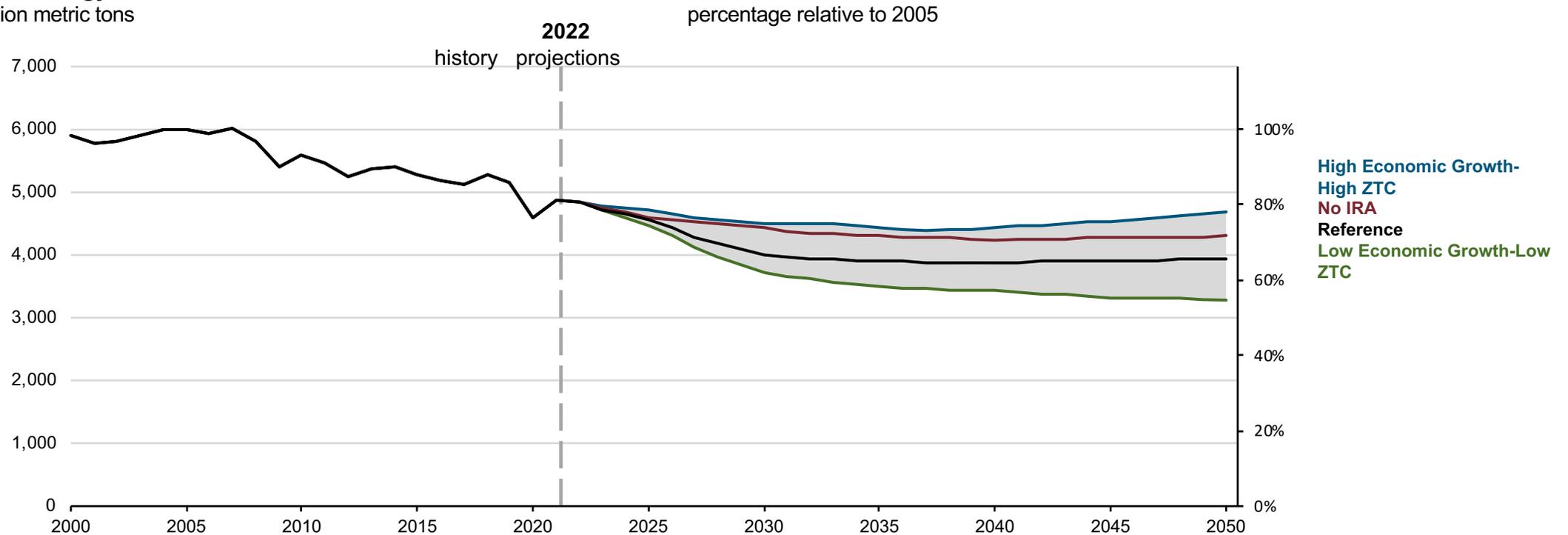
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## By 2030, energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions fall 25% to 38% below 2005 levels

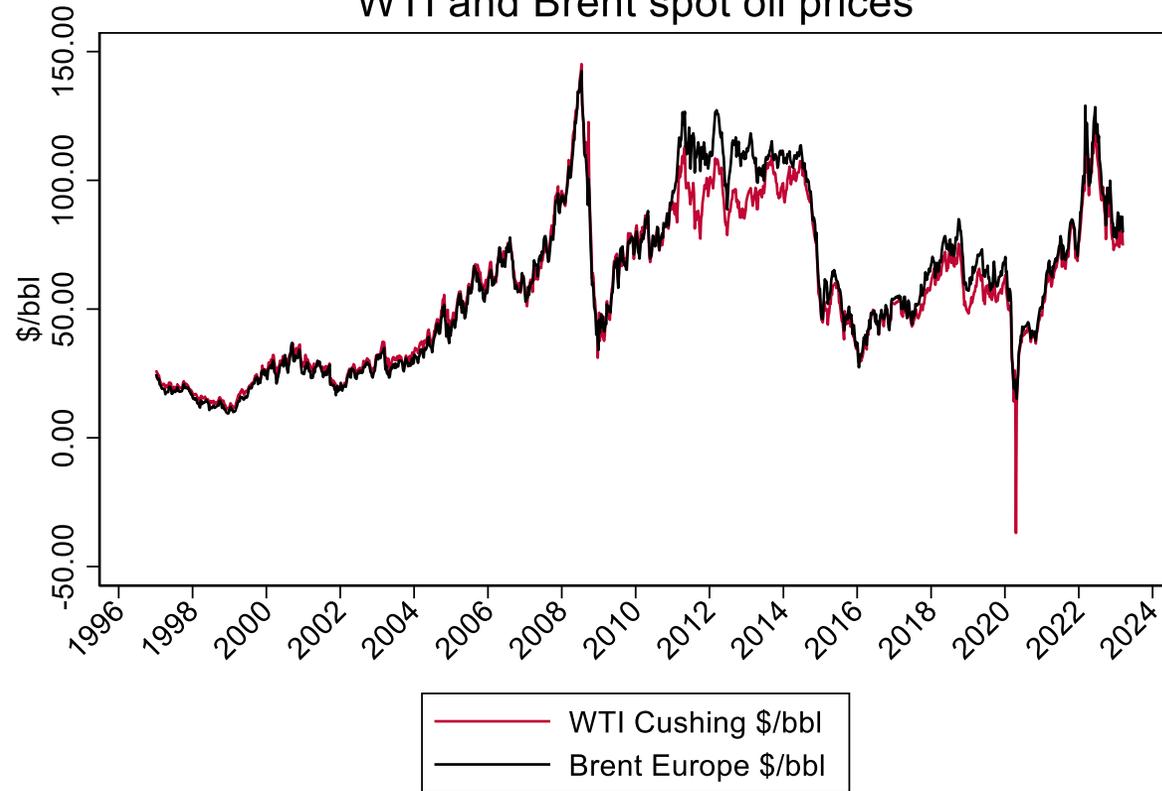
**Total energy-related carbon dioxide emissions**  
million metric tons



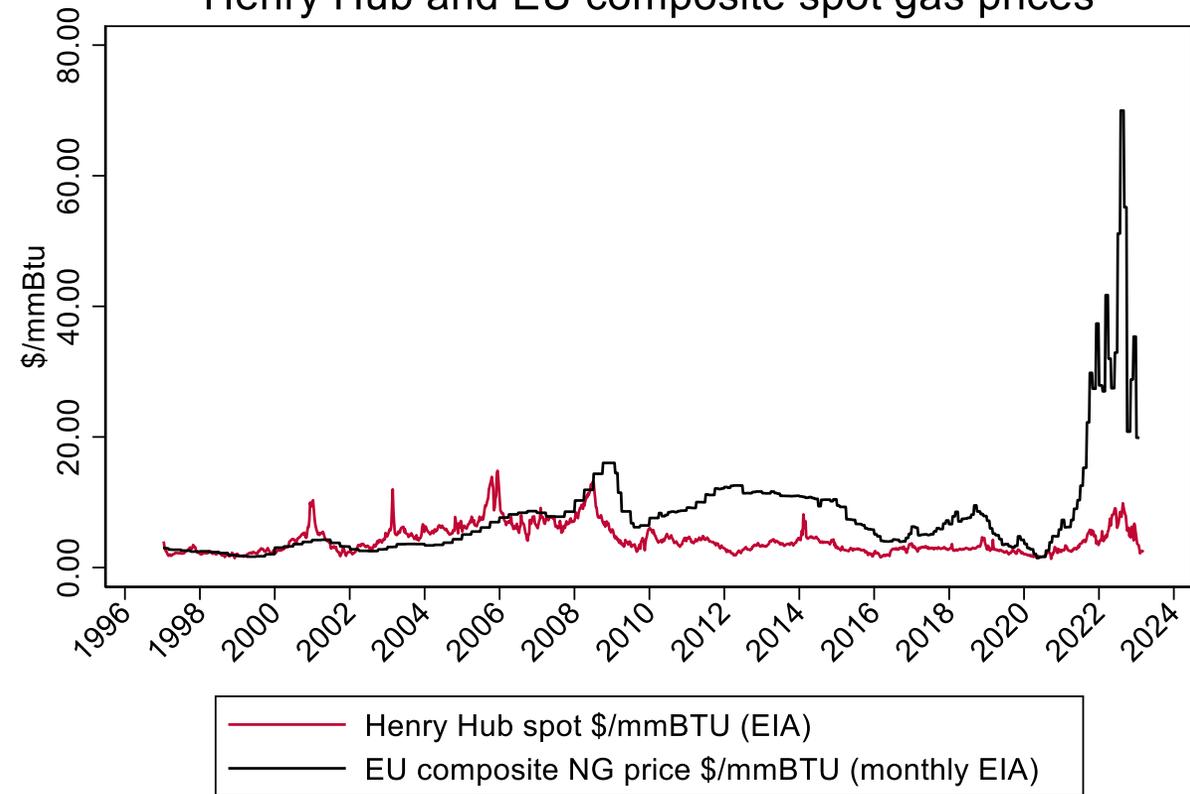
Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, *Annual Energy Outlook 2023* (AEO2023)

Note: Shaded regions represent maximum and minimum values for each projection year across the AEO2023 Reference case and side cases. ZTC=Zero-Carbon Technology Cost; IRA=Inflation Reduction Act.

### WTI and Brent spot oil prices

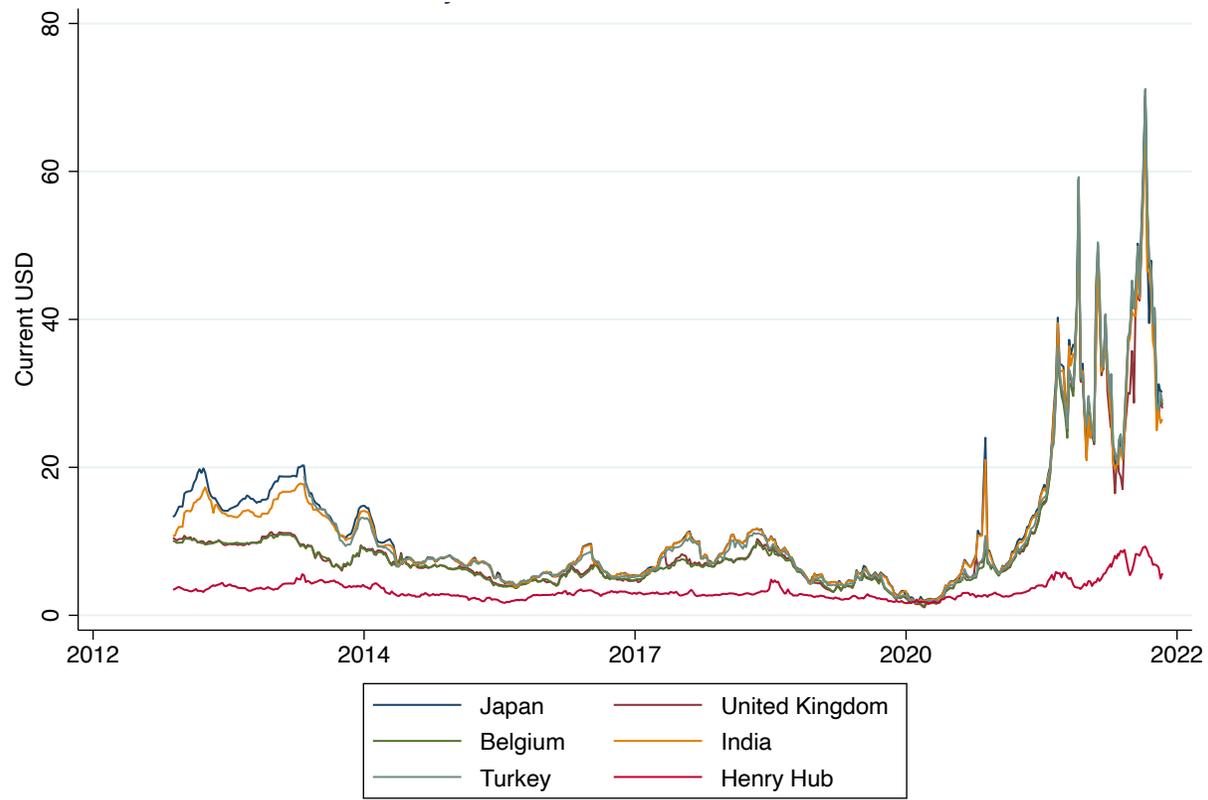


### Henry Hub and EU composite spot gas prices



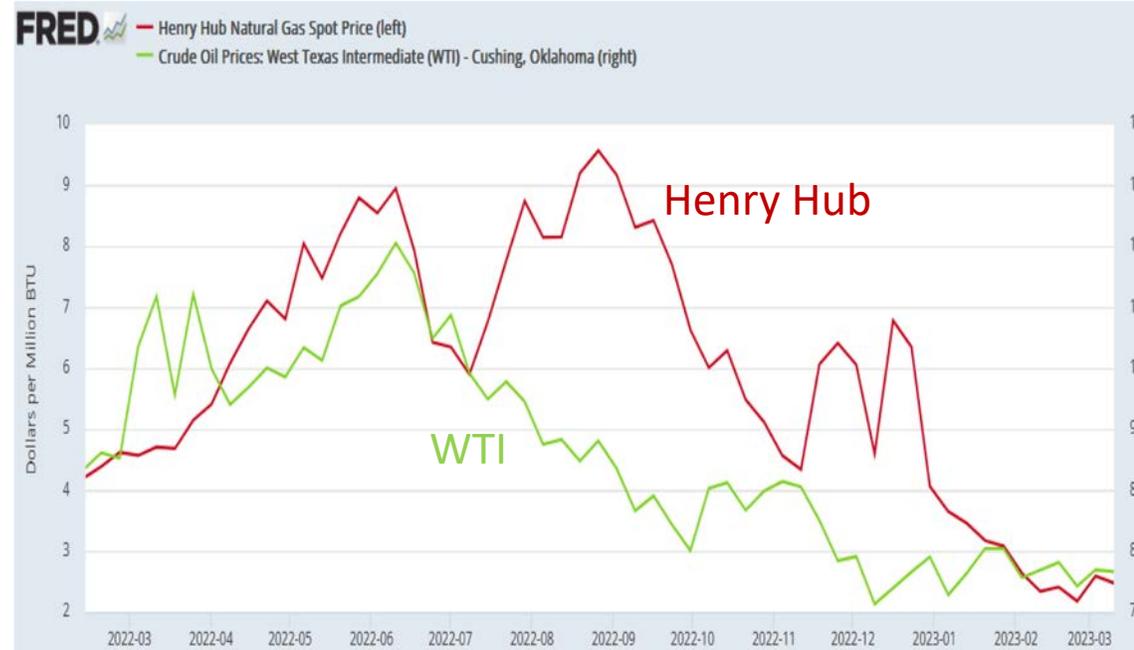
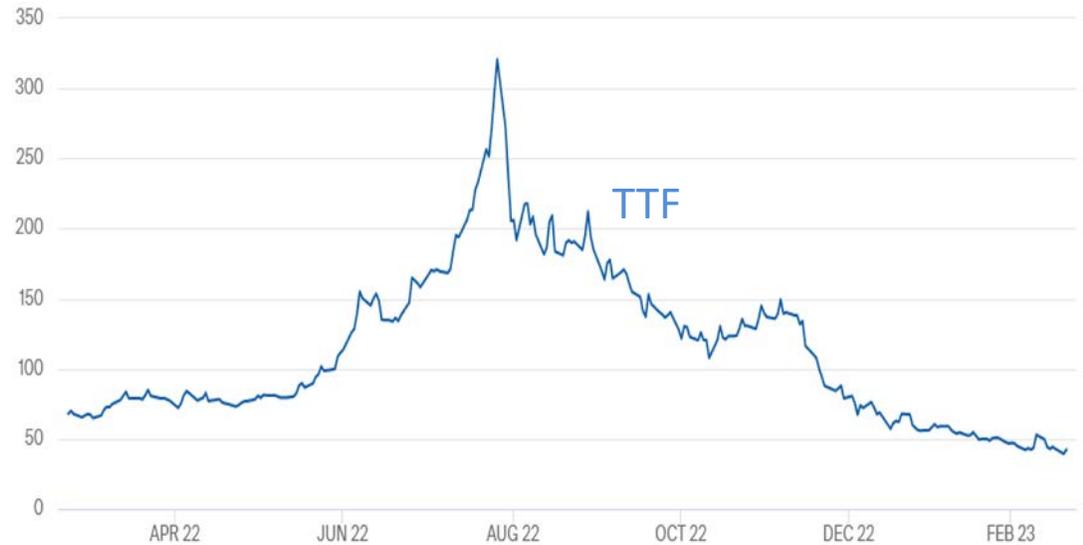
# C. Brief History: Global demand driving U.S. LNG exporting

Weekly, 2013 - 2022

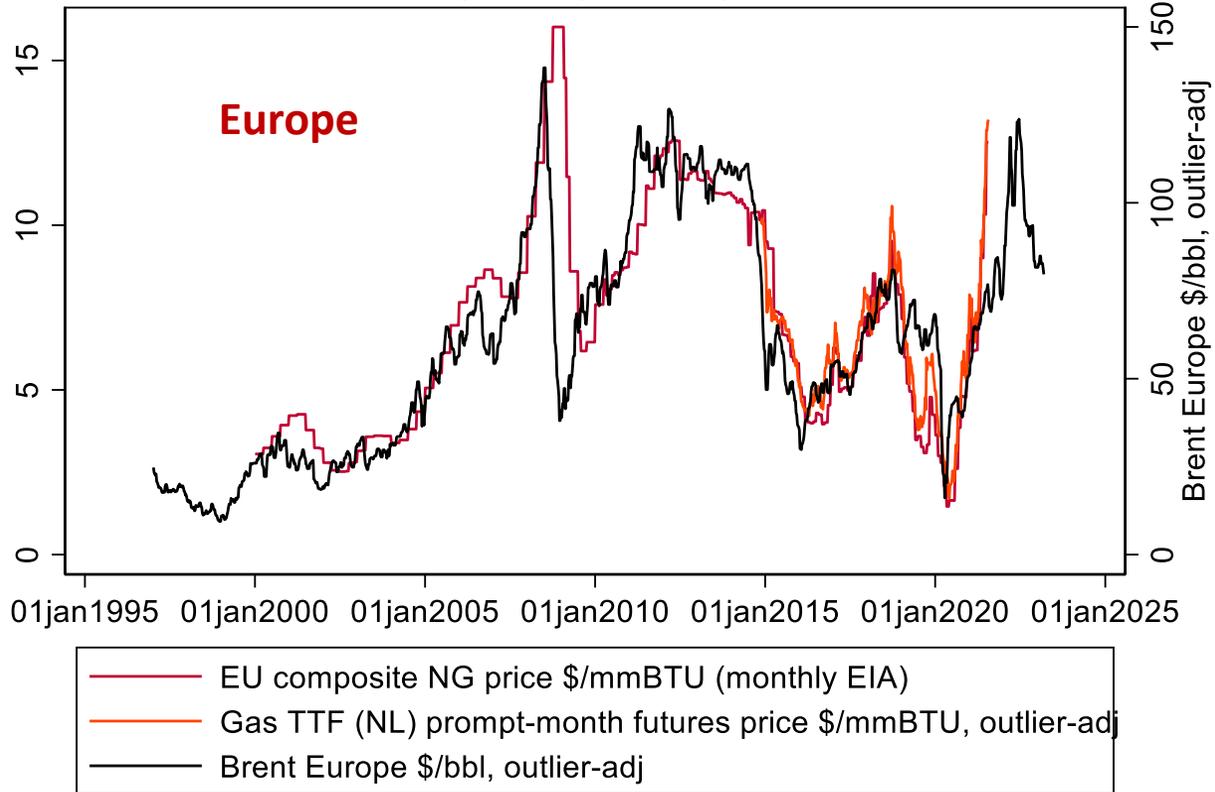


March 2022 – March 2023

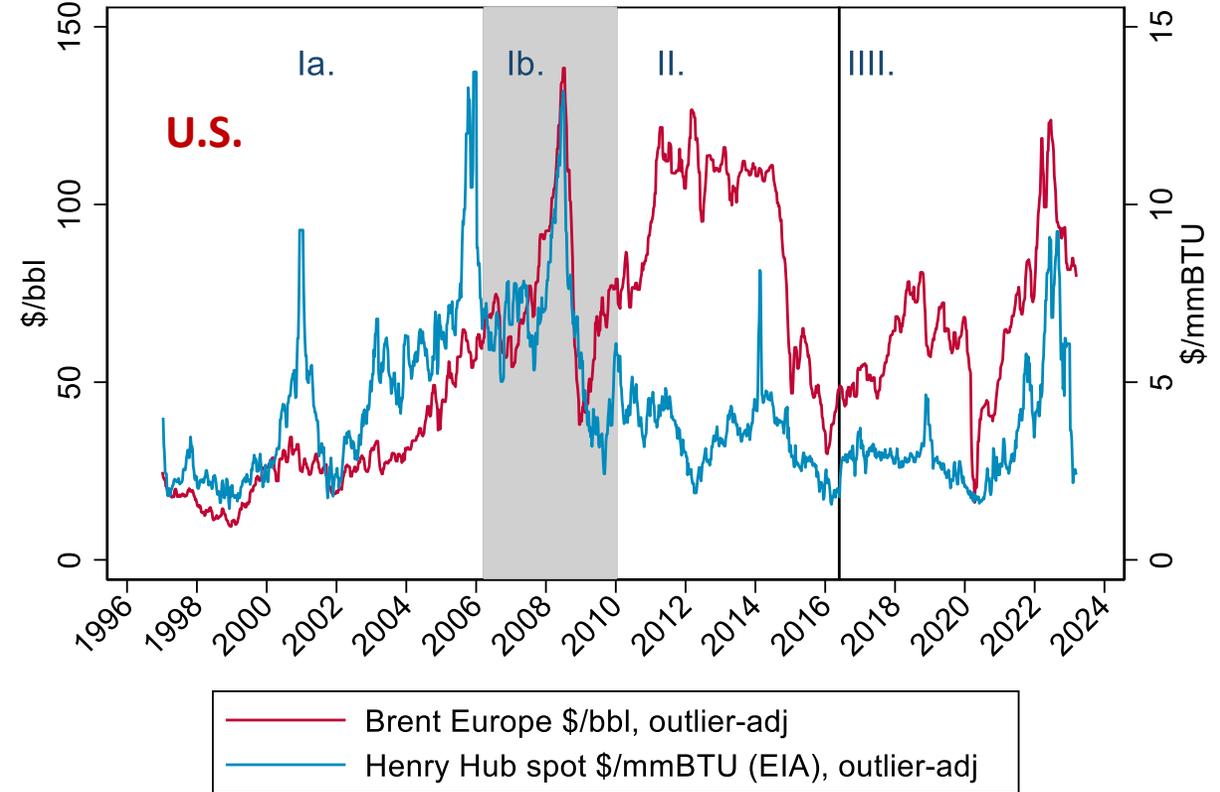
INTRADAY 3 MONTHS 1YEAR 2 YEARS LAST UPDATE TIME: 03-22-2023 11:34 AM GMT



EU NG composite (through 7/21), TTF, & Brent spot



Brent oil price & Henry Hub natural gas price



**Prices:** \$/mmBTU

**Energy content:**

- 1 mmBTU gas = **0.176** bbl oil
- NGCC v. Residual fuel oil steam boiler: 1 mmBtu gas = **0.112** bbl oil

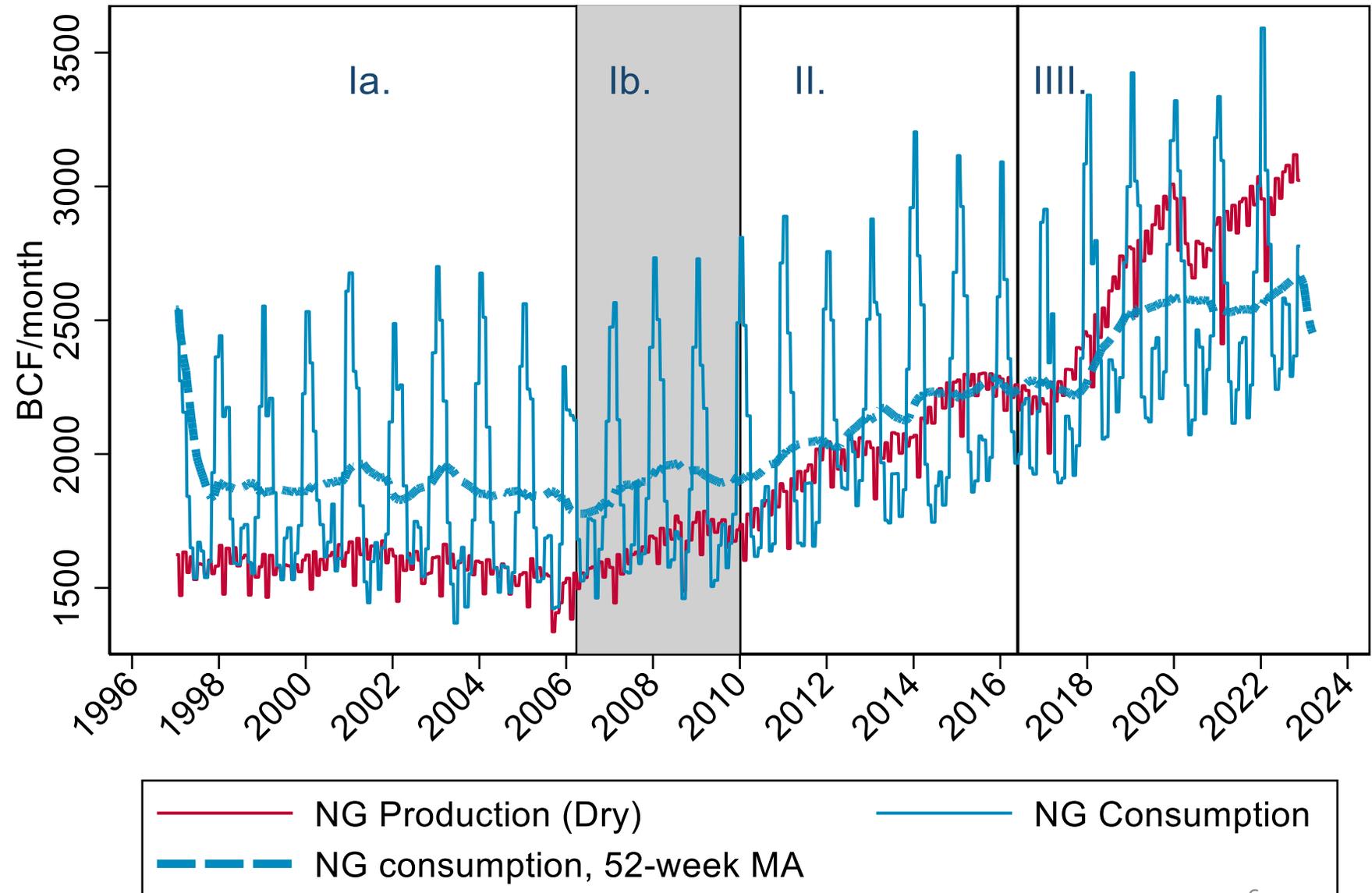
**Quantities:**

- 1 Mcf (1000 cubic feet ) = 1.037 mmBTU

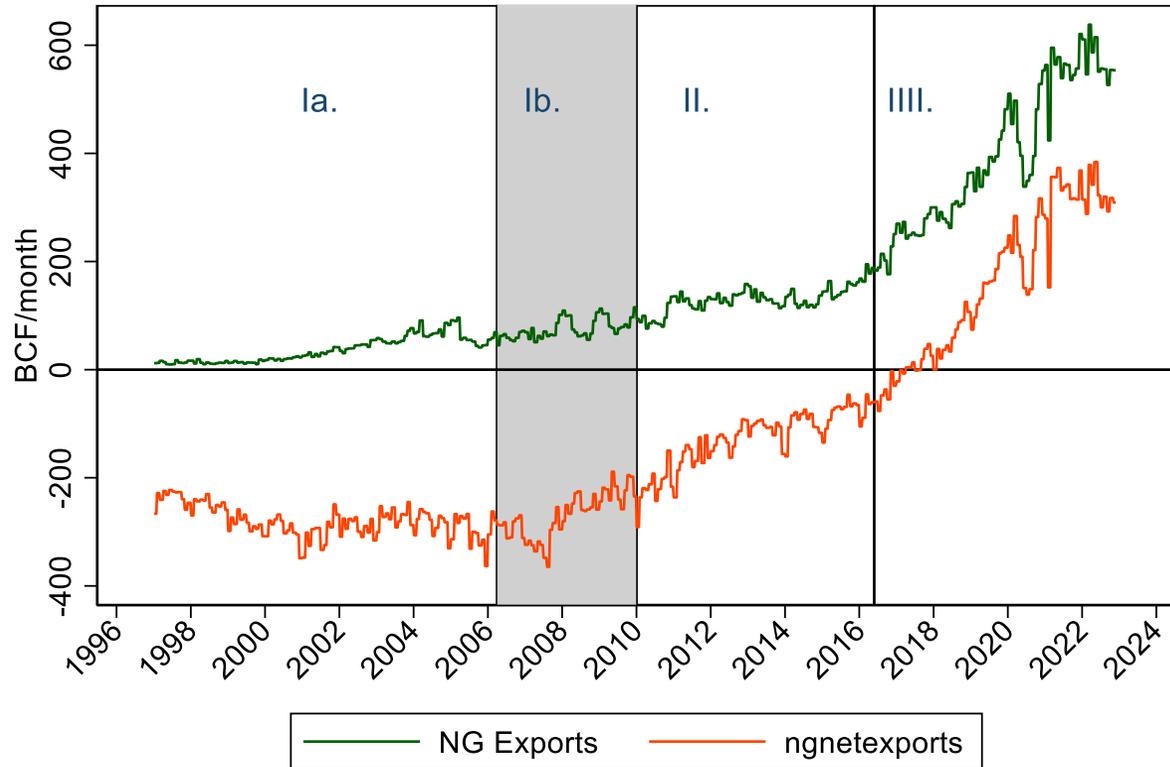
**Carbon:**

- 53 kgCO<sub>2</sub>/mmBTU
- \$40 carbon tax => \$2.12/mmBTU

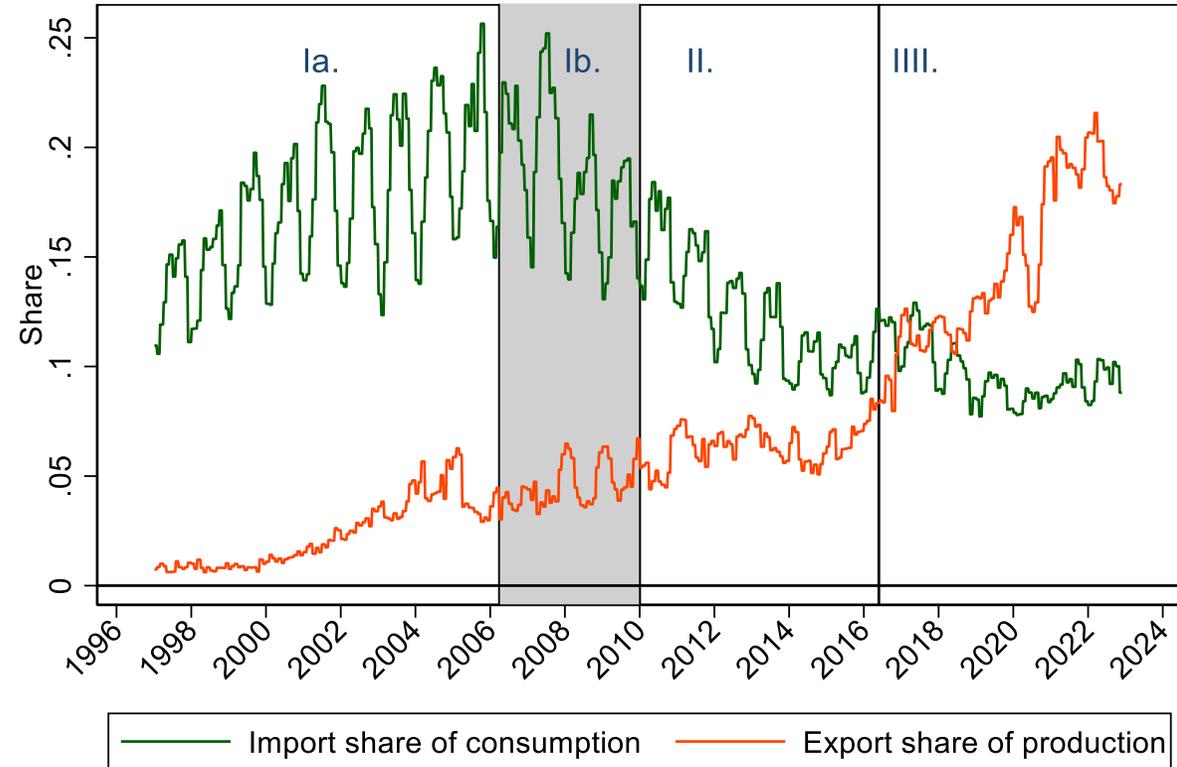
## US monthly natural gas consumption & production (dry)



US natural gas exports & net exports



US Natural Gas Import & Export Shares

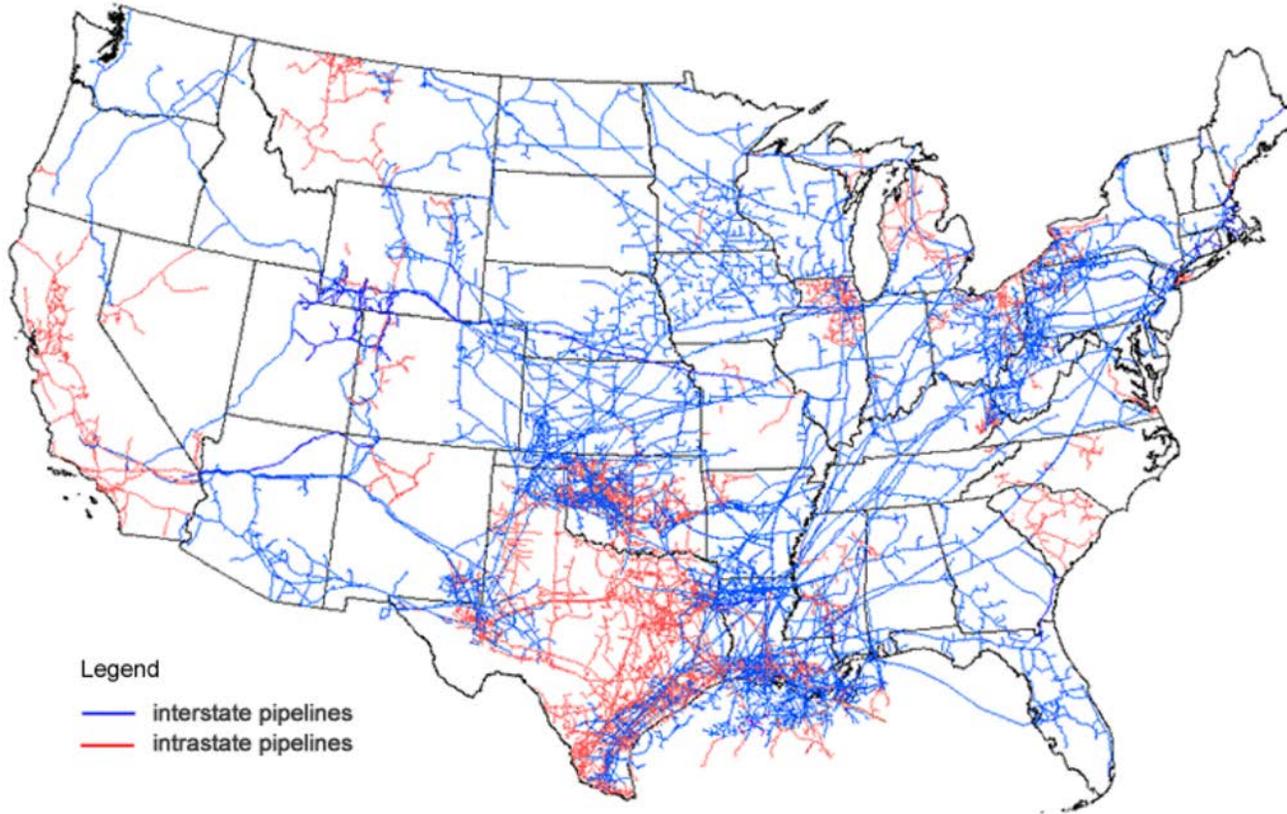


## U.S. natural gas regimes

- Ia. **Burner tip parity**: < April 2006: growing & large imports, cofiring
- Ib. **Pre-fracking transition**: April 2006 – January 2010: high & stable imports, no cofiring
- II. **Fracking, shut-in gas**: 2010 – May 2016: Fracking, product “shut in”
- III. **LNG**: May 2016 – present



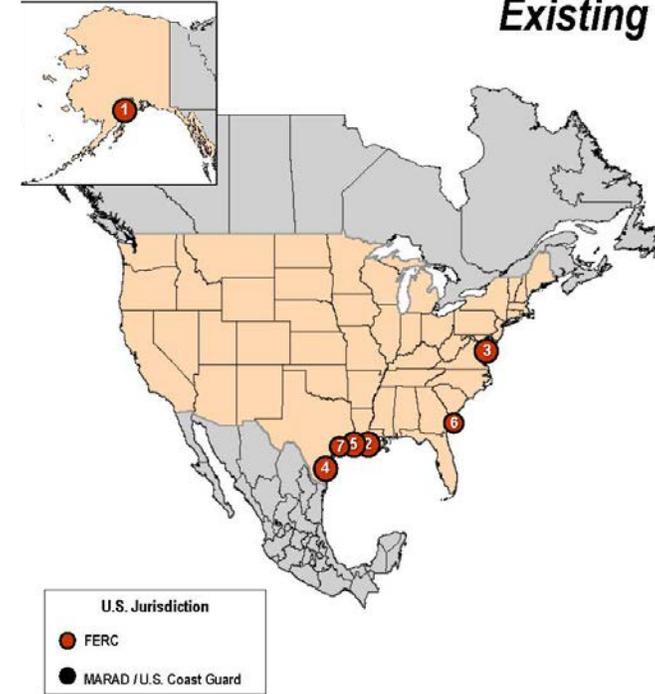
Map of U.S. interstate and intrastate natural gas pipelines



Legend  
 — interstate pipelines  
 — intrastate pipelines

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, *About U.S. Natural Gas Pipelines*

## North American LNG Export Terminals Existing



### Export Terminals

#### UNITED STATES

1. Kenai, AK: 0.2 Bcfd (Trans-Foreland)
2. Sabine, LA: 4.55 Bcfd (Cheniere/Sabine Pass LNG – Trains 1-8)
3. Cove Point, MD: 0.82 Bcfd (Dominion–Cove Point LNG)
4. Corpus Christi, TX: 2.40 Bcfd (Cheniere – Corpus Christi LNG Trains 1-3)
5. Hackberry, LA: 2.15 Bcfd (Sempra–Cameron LNG, Trains 1-3)
6. Elba Island, GA: 350 MMcfd (Southern LNG Company Units 1-10)
7. Freeport, TX: 2.13 Bcfd (Freeport LNG Dev/Freeport LNG Expansion/FLNG Liquefaction Trains 1-3)

As of February 16, 2022



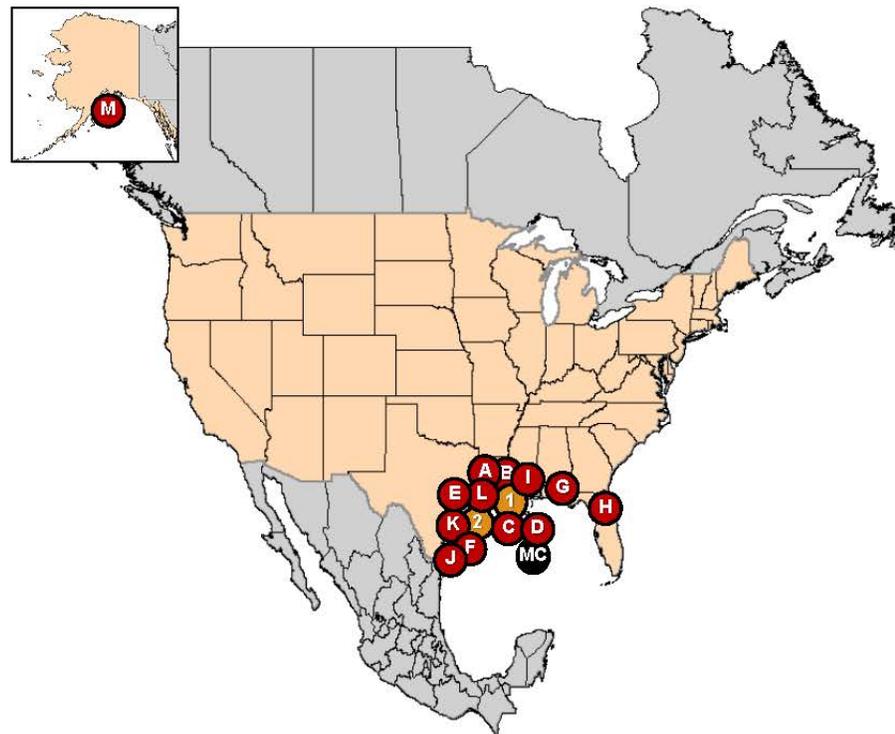
Cheniere Sabine Pass Train 1 was placed into service May 2016.



## LNG exports require a DOE license

- Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act (as amended) ([15 U.S.C. § 717b](#)).
- May 29, 2014 DOE completed EIA and proposed regulations for reviewing LNG export applications

# North American LNG Export Terminals *Approved, Not Yet Built*



**U.S. Jurisdiction & Status**

- FERC - Approved, Under Construction
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- MARAD / U.S. Coast Guard

## Export Terminals

### UNITED STATES

#### FERC – APPROVED, UNDER CONSTRUCTION

1. Cameron Parish, LA: 1.41 Bcfd (Venture Global Calcasieu Pass) (CP15-550)
2. Sabine Pass, TX: 2.26 Bcfd (ExxonMobil – Golden Pass) (CP14-517, CP20-459)

#### FERC – APPROVED, NOT UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- A. Lake Charles, LA: 2.2 Bcfd (Lake Charles LNG) (CP14-120)
- B. Lake Charles, LA: 1.186 Bcfd (Magnolia LNG) (CP14-347)
- C. Hackberry, LA: 1.41 Bcfd (Sempra - Cameron LNG Trains 4 & 5) (CP15-560)
- D. Calcasieu Parish, LA: 4.0 Bcfd (Driftwood LNG) (CP17-117)
- E. Port Arthur, TX: 1.86 Bcfd (Port Arthur LNG Trains 1 & 2) (CP17-20)
- F. Freeport, TX: 0.72 Bcfd (Freeport LNG Dev Train 4) (CP17-470)
- G. Pascagoula, MS: 1.5 Bcfd (Gulf LNG Liquefaction) (CP15-521)
- H. Jacksonville, FL: 0.132 Bcf/d (Eagle LNG Partners) (CP17-41)
- I. Plaquemines Parish, LA: 3.40 Bcfd (Venture Global Plaquemines) (CP17-66)
- J. Brownsville, TX: 0.55 Bcfd (Texas LNG Brownsville) (CP16-116)
- K. Brownsville, TX: 3.6 Bcfd (Rio Grande LNG – NextDecade) (CP16-454)
- L. Corpus Christi, TX: 1.86 Bcfd (Cheniere Corpus Christi Stage III) (CP18-512)
- M. Nikiski, AK: 2.63 Bcfd (Alaska Gasline) (CP17-178)

#### MARAD/USCG – APPROVED, NOT UNDER CONSTRUCTION

- MC. Gulf of Mexico: 1.8 Bcfd (Delfin LNG)

#### CANADA - LNG IMPORT AND PROPOSED EXPORT FACILITIES

<https://www.nrcan.gc.ca/energy/natural-gas/5683>

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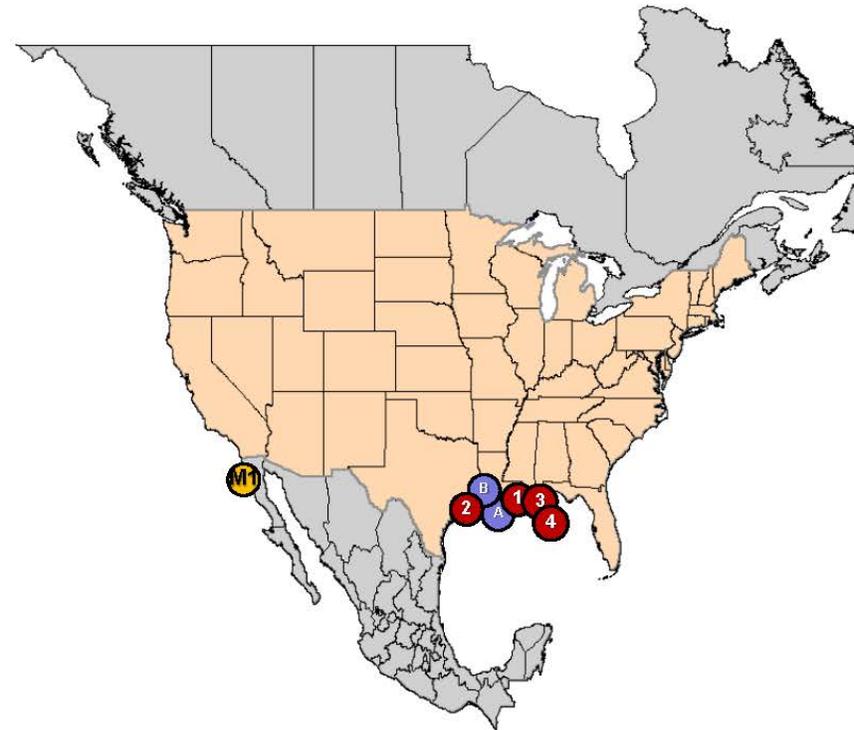




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# North American LNG Export Terminals *Proposed*



### UNITED STATES

#### PROPOSED TO FERC

##### Pending Applications:

1. Cameron Parish, LA: 1.18 Bcfd (Commonwealth, LNG) (CP19-502)
2. Port Arthur, TX: 1.86 Bcfd (Sempra - Port Arthur LNG Trains 3 & 4) (CP20-55)
3. Cameron Parish, LA: 1.45 Bcfd (Venture Global CP2 Blocks 1-9) (CP22-21)
4. Cameron Parish, LA: .057 Bcfd (Venture Global Calcasieu Pass) (CP22-25)

##### Projects in Pre-filing:

- A. LaFourche Parish, LA: 0.65 Bcfd (Port Fourchon LNG) (PF17-9)
- B. Plaquemines Parish, LA: 2.76 Bcfd (Delta LNG - Venture Global) (PF19-4)

### CANADA

For Canadian LNG Import and Proposed Export Facilities:

<https://www.nrcan.gc.ca/energy/natural-gas/5683>

### MEXICO (Projects in advanced planning/development stages)

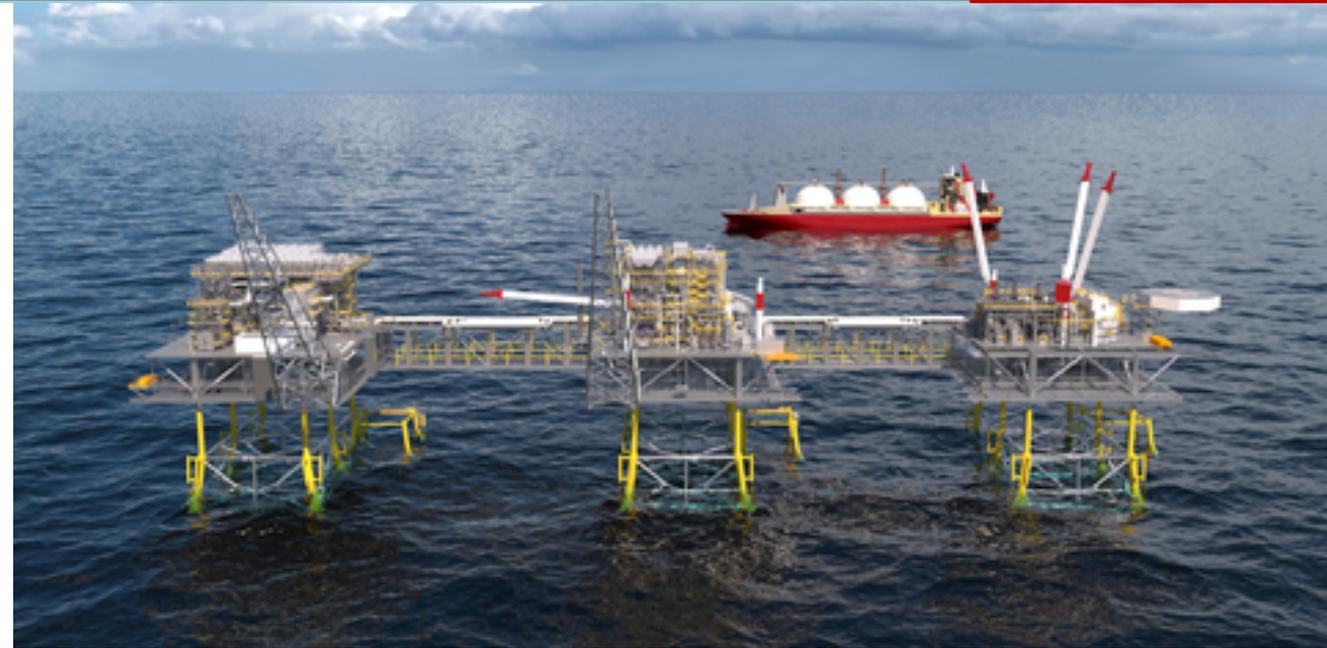
- M1. Baja California, MX: 0.4 Bcfd (Sempra – Energia Costa Azul Phase 1)



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## “Fast LNG” and Floating Shipborne Regasification Units (FSRUs)

- Fast LNG repurposes offshore rigs, mainly jackup rigs, to provide a seaborne liquefaction facility
  - 6 exist so far; 5 under construction
  - Estimated ~160 jackup rigs > 30 yrs old available for Fast Gas repurposing
  - Typical 1.4 MPTA capacity/facility (0.2 Bcf/d)
  - Takes ~18 months to complete



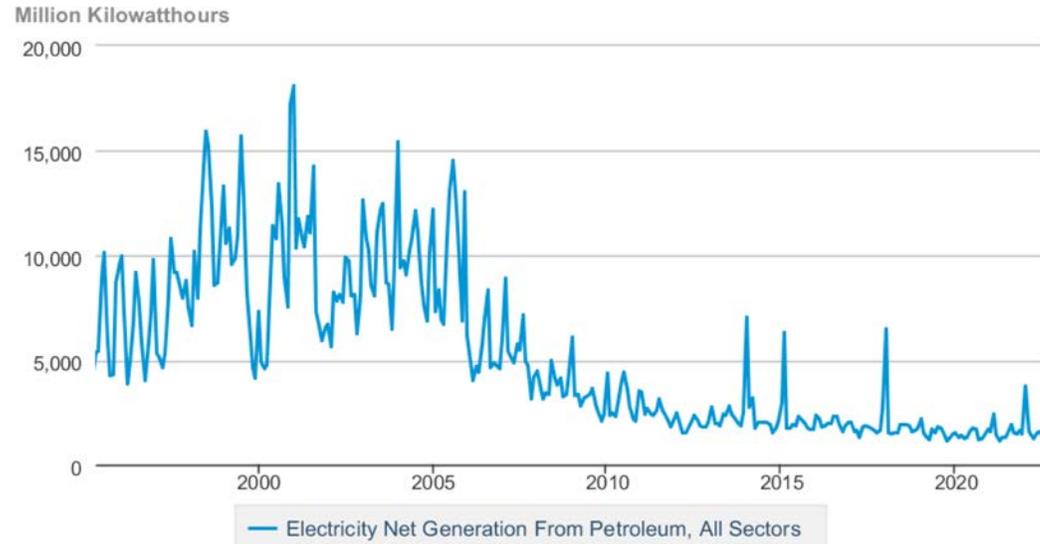
## Floating Storage & Regasification Units (FSRUs)

- Modified tankers/LNG vessels capable of regasification
  - Mobile



## ~April 2006: End of oil-gas co-firing

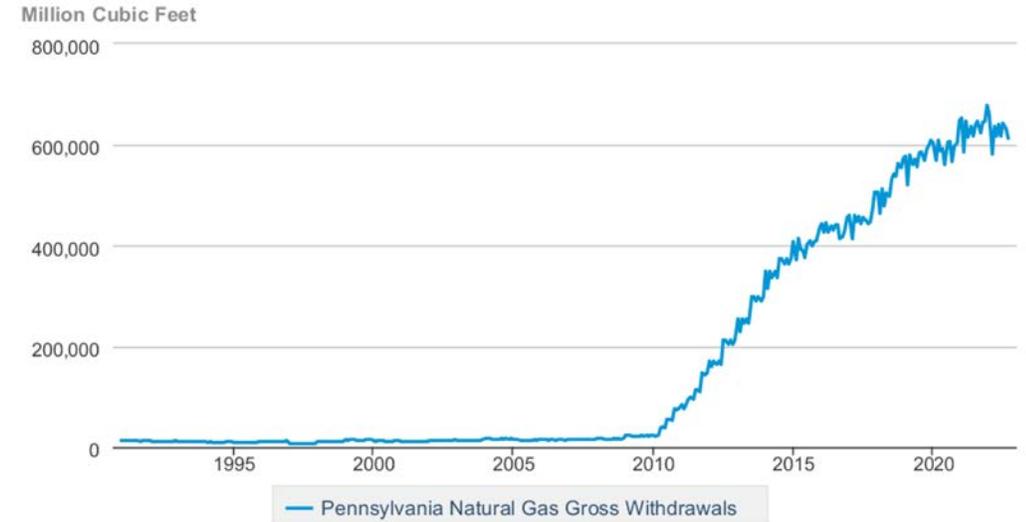
Table 7.2a Electricity Net Generation: Total (All Sectors)



eia Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

## ~January 2010: Start of fracking

Pennsylvania Natural Gas Gross Withdrawals



eia Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

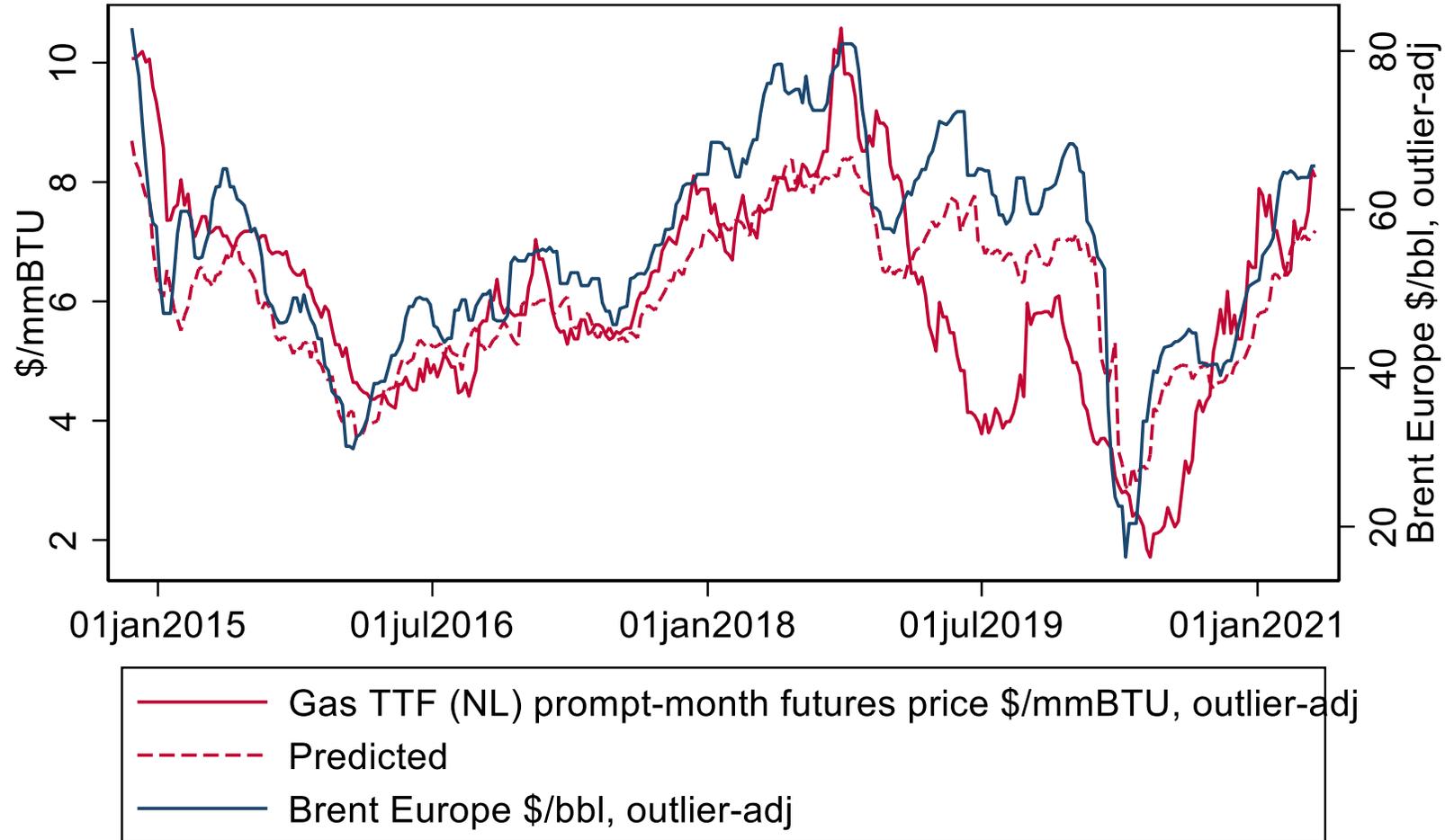
## May 2016: LNG exports begin

- Chenier Sabine Pass train 1 begins shipments
- Pipeline exports to Mexico ramped up in spring 2015



## Cointegration analysis, 10nov2014 to 01May2021

DOLS CI = 0.100 (SE = 0.013) EG-ADF = -3.57\*

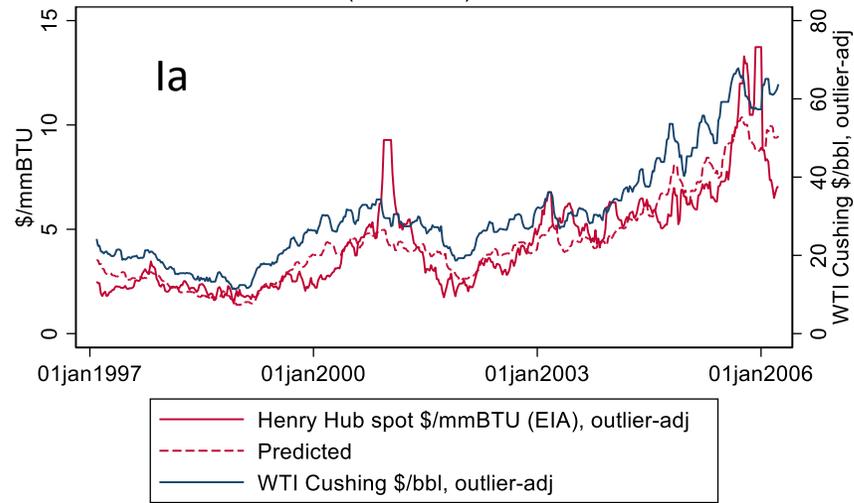


Note: EG-ADF rejects non-cointegration at: \*10%, \*\*5%, \*\*\*1%

# Cointegration results by institutional regime

Cointegration analysis, 01feb1997 to 01apr2006

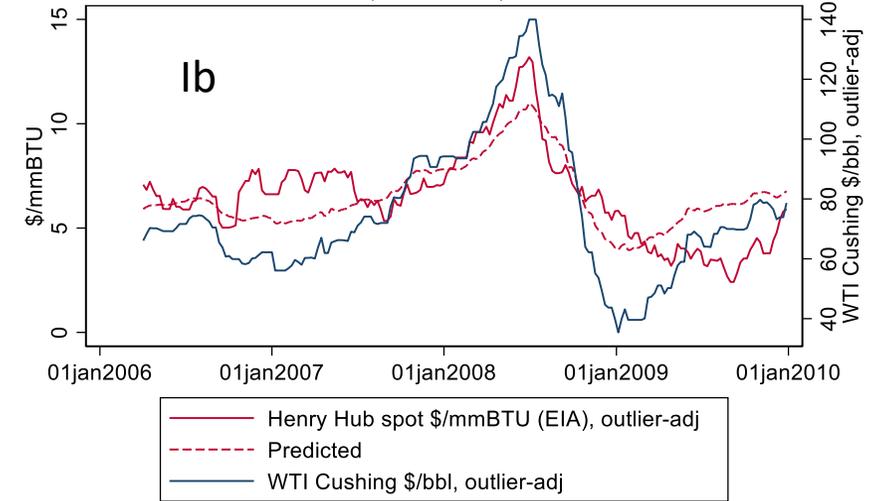
DOLS CI = .161 (SE = .013) EG-ADF = -4.214\*\*



Note: EG-ADF rejects non-cointegration at: \*10%, \*\*5%, \*\*\*1%

Cointegration analysis, 01apr2006 to 01jan2010

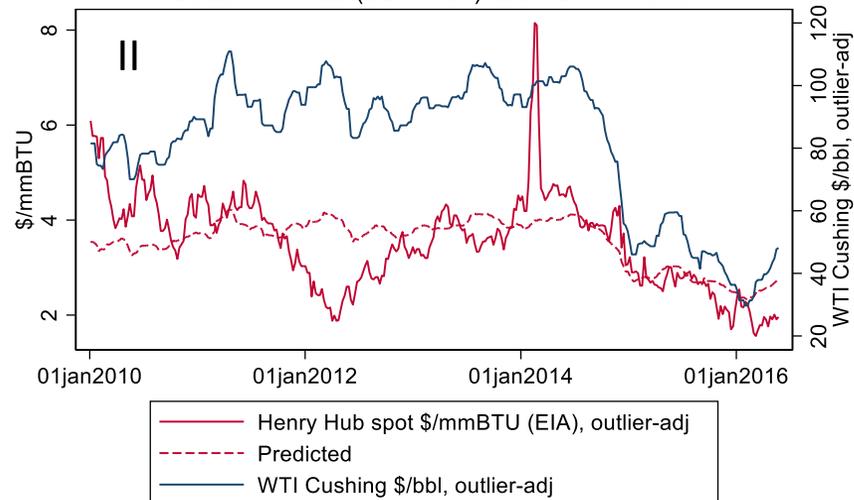
DOLS CI = 0.070 (SE = 0.011) EG-ADF = -2.806



Note: EG-ADF rejects non-cointegration at: \*10%, \*\*5%, \*\*\*1%

Cointegration analysis, 01jan2010 to 27may2016

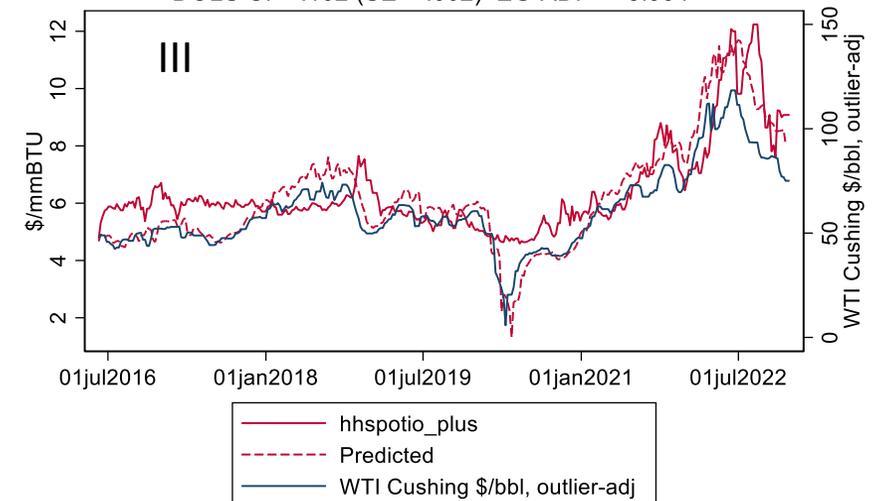
DOLS CI = .023 (SE = .004) EG-ADF = -3.318



Note: EG-ADF rejects non-cointegration at: \*10%, \*\*5%, \*\*\*1%

Cointegration analysis, 27may2016 to 15mar2023

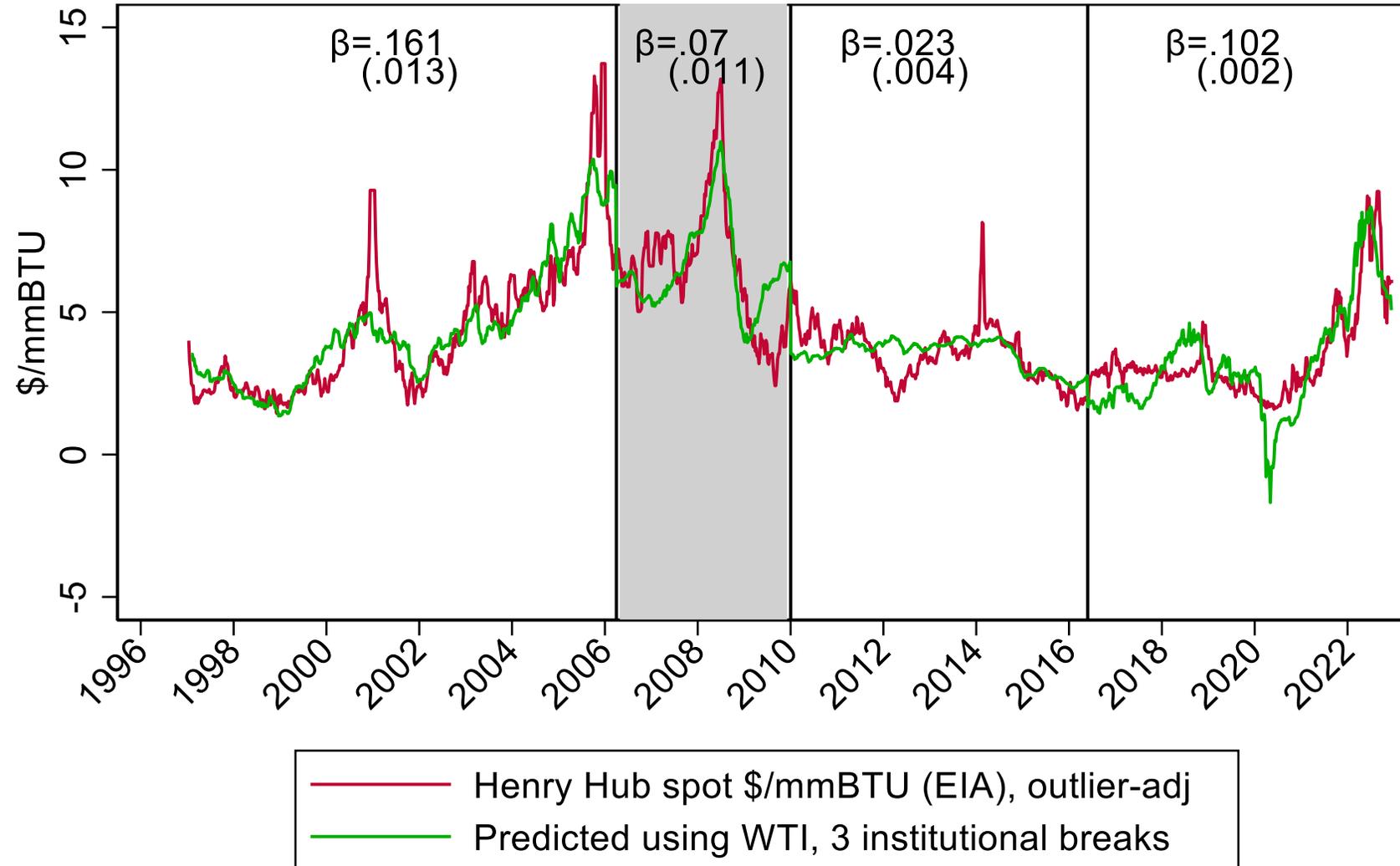
DOLS CI = .102 (SE = .002) EG-ADF = -3.954\*\*



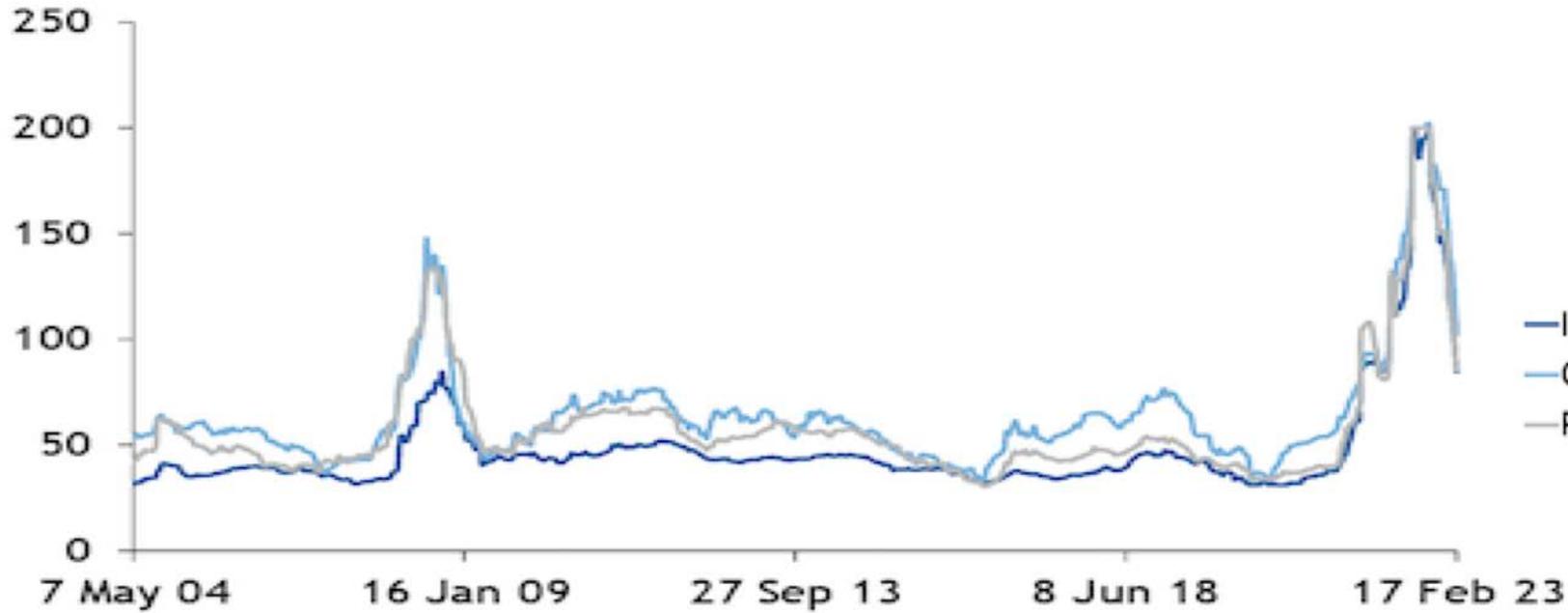
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## Henry hub spot & 3-break predicted by WTI

Institutional break dates



# Coal prices



Henry Hub (monthly)

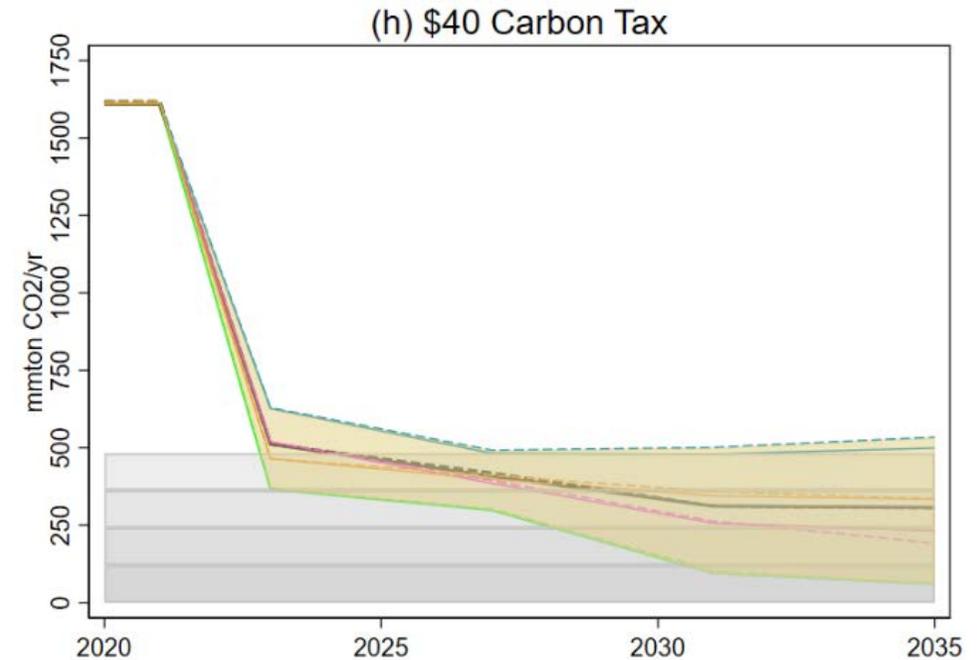
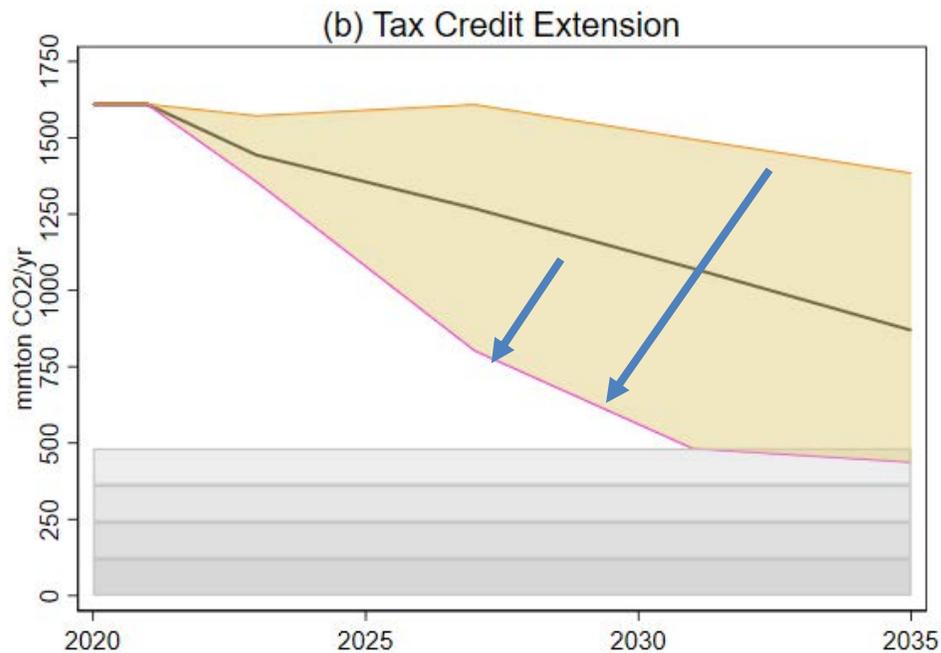
Source: Argus, EIA

# Implications for U.S. energy transition

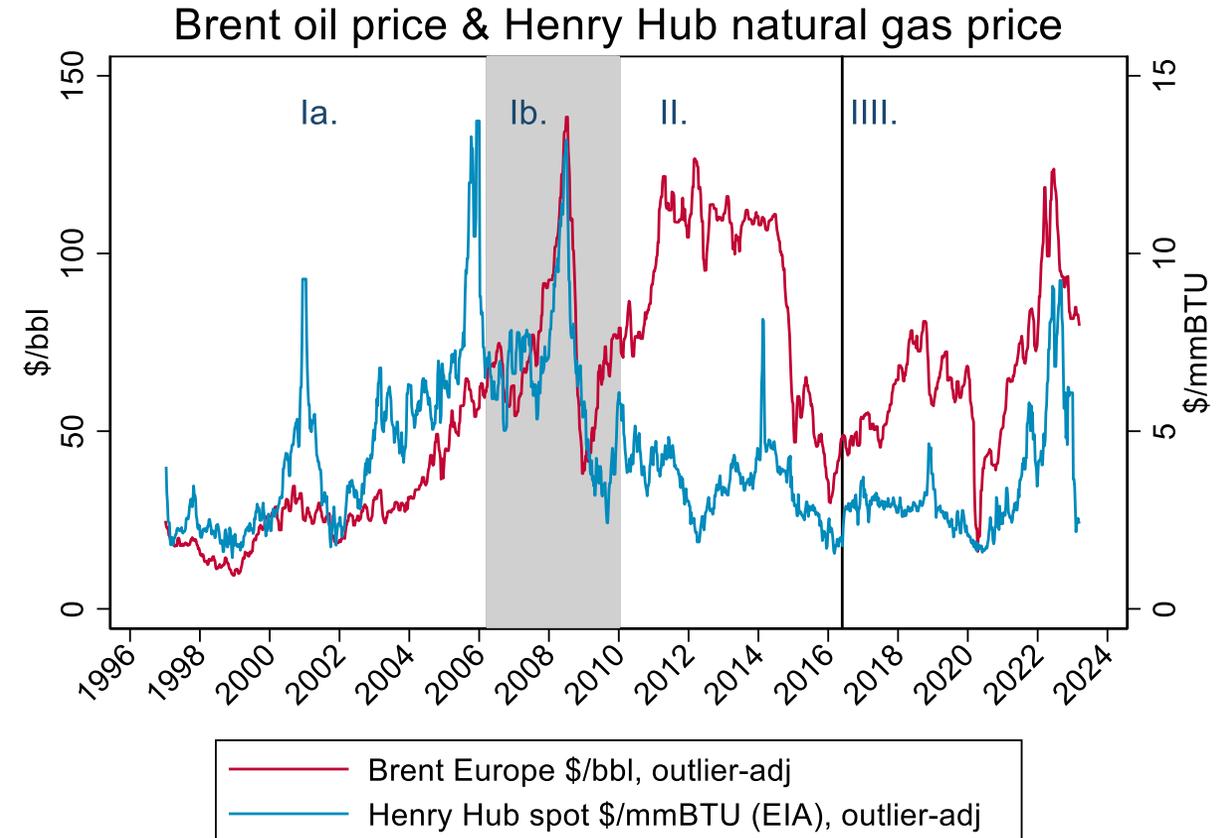
Back-of-envelope estimates of U.S. power sector emissions in 2030, relative to 2007 peak, for various natural gas prices

Scenario	HH price (2022 \$/mmBtu)	2030 emissions relative to 2007 peak	Delta rel to BAU (pp)
BAU	\$3.10	46%	-
IRA only	\$3.10	62%	-15 pp
LNG only	\$5.10	57%	-11 pp
IRA + LNG	\$5.10	72%	-26 pp
IRA + LNG	\$7.10	76%	-30 pp

Power sector emissions projections under:  
(a) IRA  
(b) \$40 carbon tax  
(Stuart & Stock 2021)



- Higher US gas prices & lower world gas prices as U.S. ramps up exports
  - Effect on U.S. energy transition? On EU? Japan?
- What is the substitution margin of the 2030s? Green hydrogen v. gas + DAC?
- Implications for volatility?
  - While these energy sources are substitutes, collectively the short-run demand for energy services is likely to remain inelastic



## **Additional Slides**

# Destinations for U.S. LNG exports

Monthly U.S. LNG export volumes by destination, 2016-present (U.S. DOE)

