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Assessing the socio-macroeconomic impacts of the EV transition: UK case study 2020-2050

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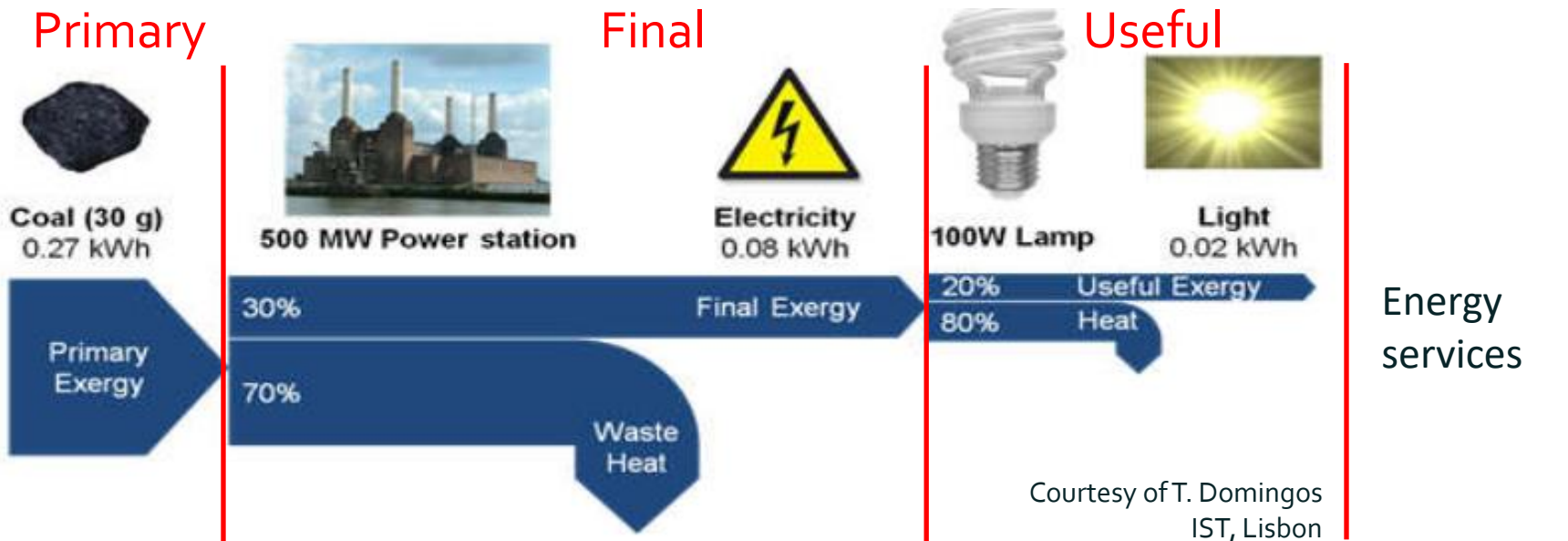
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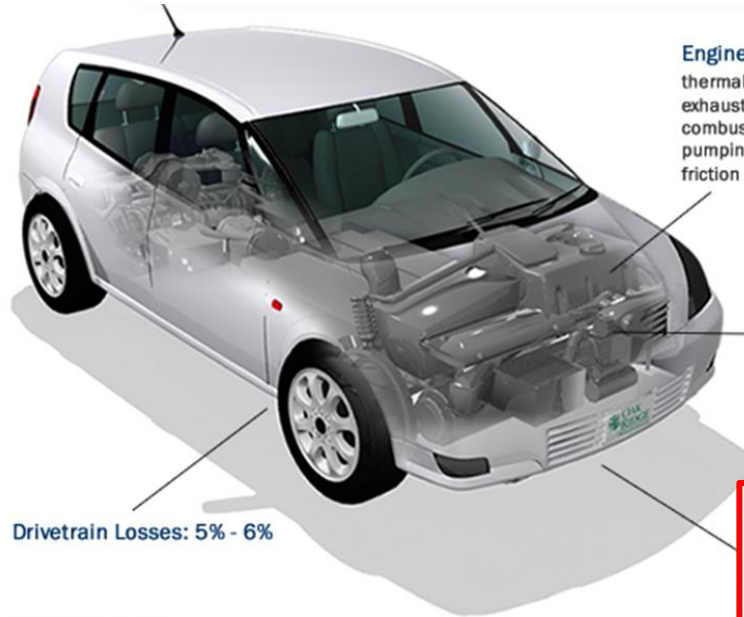
1. From primary to useful energy

Alternative 'exergy analysis'

Traditional 'energy analysis'



1. From primary to useful energy



Engine Losses: 70% - 72%
thermal, such as radiator,
exhaust heat, etc. (60% - 62%)
combustion (3%)
pumping (4%)
friction (3%)

Parasitic Losses: 5% - 6%
(e.g., water pump,
alternator, etc.)

Drivetrain Losses: 5% - 6%

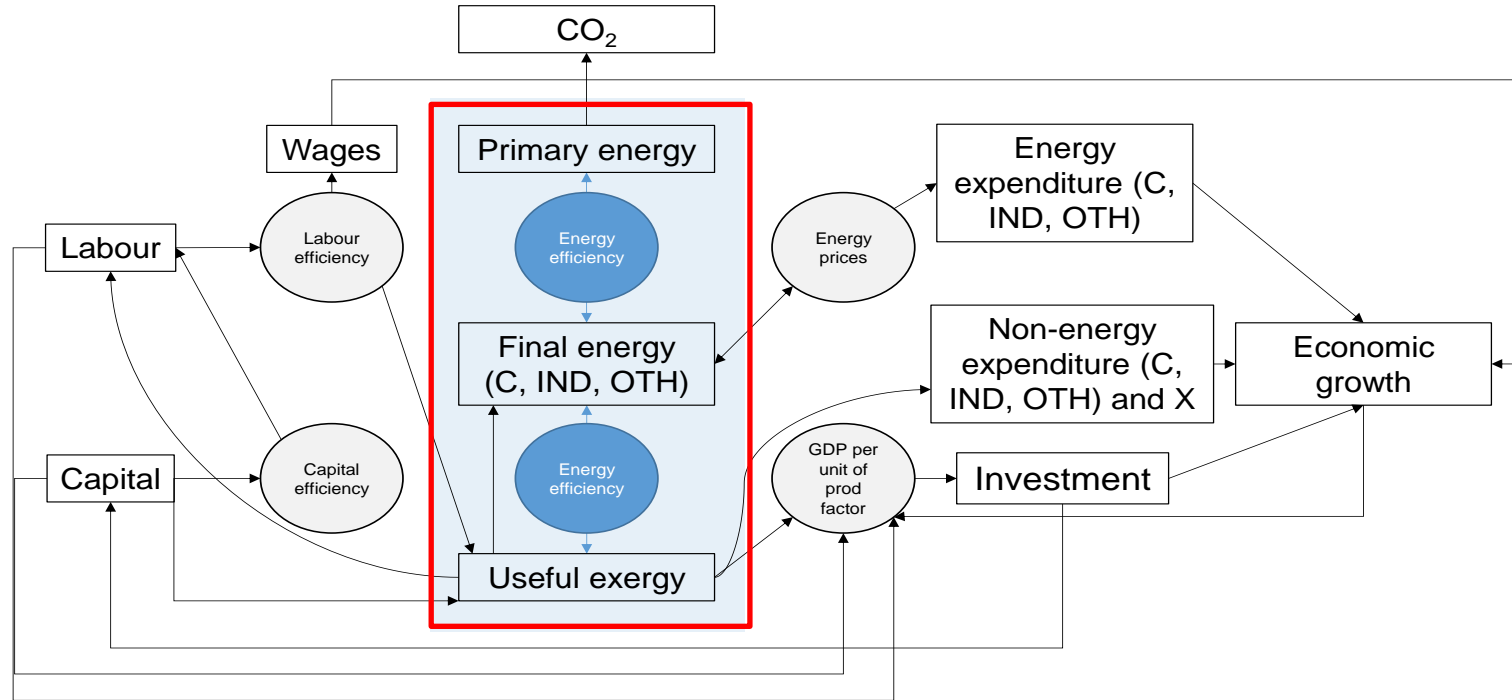
Power to Wheels: 17% - 21%
Dissipated as
wind resistance: (8% - 10%)
rolling resistance (5% - 6%)
braking (4% - 5%)

Idle Losses: 3%

In this figure, they are accounted for as part of the engine and parasitic losses.

Useful exergy

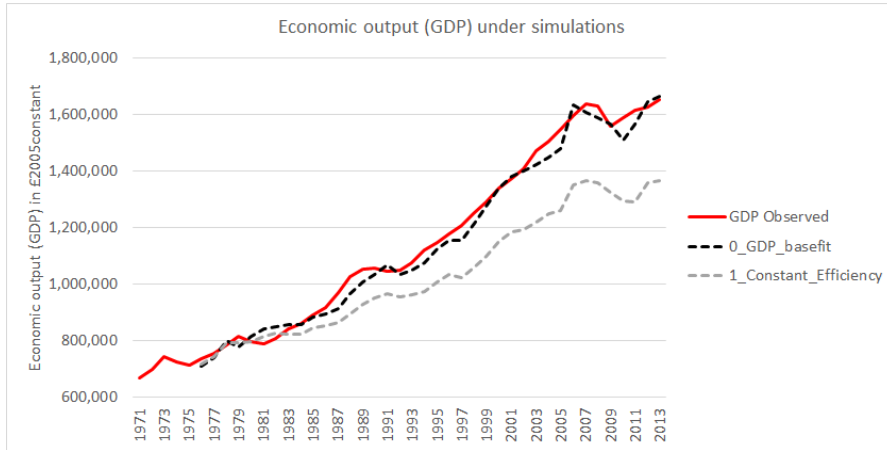
2. MARCO-UK: modelling at the useful stage



Source: Sakai et al. (2019)

2. Some outputs from MARCO-UK model

- Energy efficiency gains explain 25% of UK economic growth (close match to TFP)
- Largest socioeconomic benefits (+jobs, +GDP) from tightest energy target



Source: Sakai et al (2019)

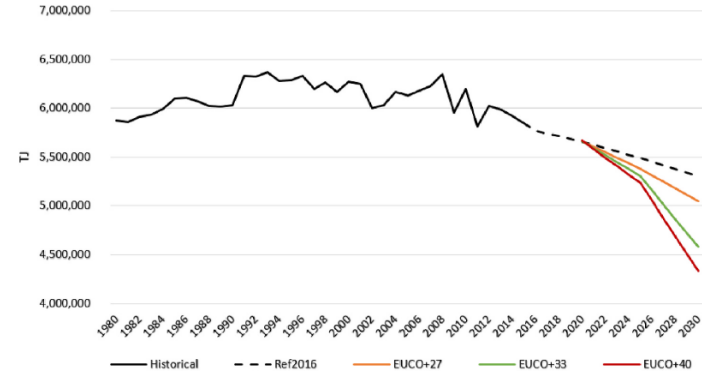


Fig. 2. UK's Total Final Energy Use by EUCO energy reduction targets.

Source: Nieto et al (2021)

3. The EV transition – happening now (at least in our house)



3. The EV transition: Input scenarios

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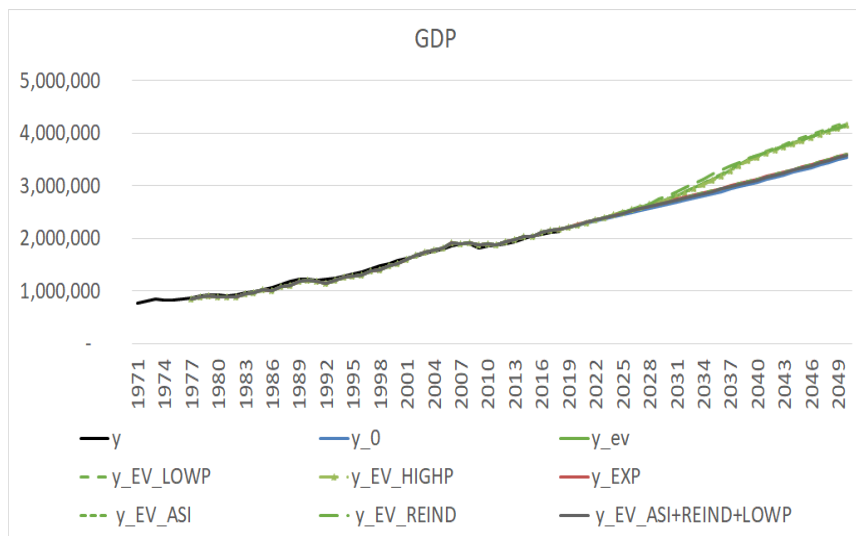
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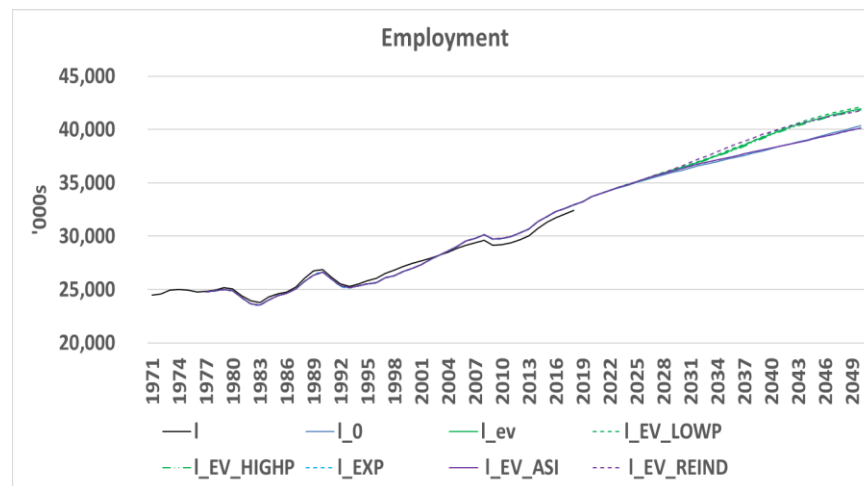
GDP: difference versus (CAAGR 1.7%) baseline in 2050:

- ASI EV scenario: 1.6% higher (+£60Bn)
- All other EV scenarios: 17-20% higher (+£650Bn) 2.1%CAAGR



Employment: versus baseline

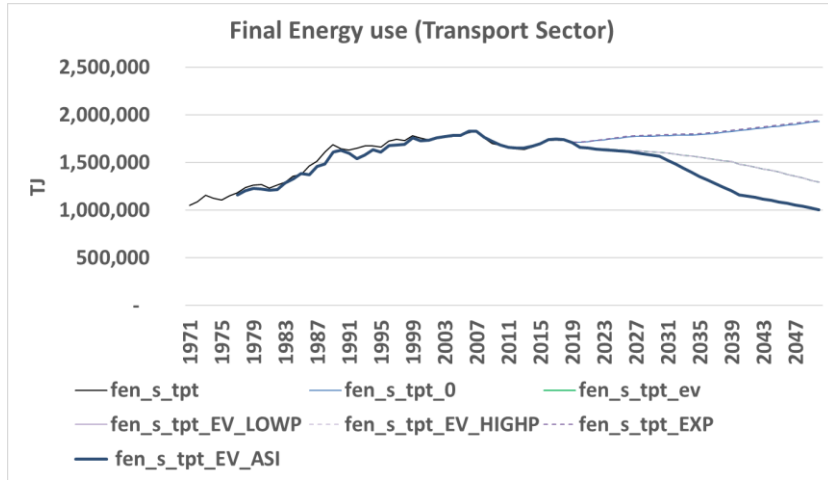
- ASI EV scenario: 40,000 average extra jobs 2020-2050
- All other EV scenarios : 1Mn average extra jobs 2020-2050



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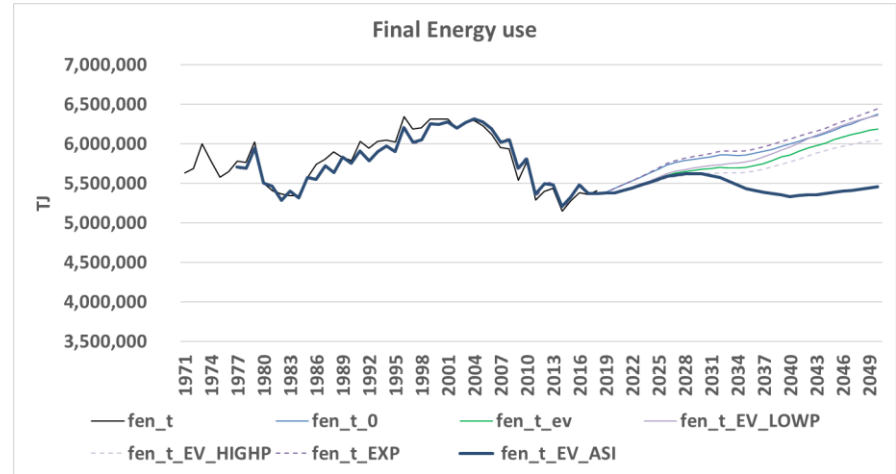
transport: reductions in final energy in 2050 (vs ICE baseline)

- 48% reduction in the ASI EV scenario (zero direct rebound)
- 33% reduction in other EV scenarios (29% direct rebound)



Total energy: reductions in final energy in 2050 (vs ICE baseline)

- 15% reduction in the ASI EV scenario (zero direct rebound)
- 0-5% reduction in other EV scenarios (55-98% total rebound)





4. Discussion

1. **Economic system changes** only have small impacts:

Capital investment (£11Bn) stimulates only a small GDP impact and jobs, as expected

Energy prices: only have a small impact on the results (lower prices reinforce rebound effects)

2. **Energy system changes** from the EV transition causes large changes on the energy-economic system

Non-ASI scenarios: Up to 20% increase (+£650Bn/yr) in GDP in 2050 and 1M extra jobs above baseline

ASI scenario: Up to 50% reduction in transport final energy and 15% overall final energy reduction versus baselines

➤ both effects do not occur simultaneously

3. **Energy rebound effects** can be significant:

direct rebound 12% short term and 29% long term included

overall / total rebound of 75% for central EV scenario

4. **The ASI scenario:** finds an "equilibrium" is possible, to realise energy savings and not harm the economy, through

economics: keeping an eye on prices, deciding whether to produce or import,

energy demand management: policies to control rebound, so most of the efficiency gains go to reduced final energy



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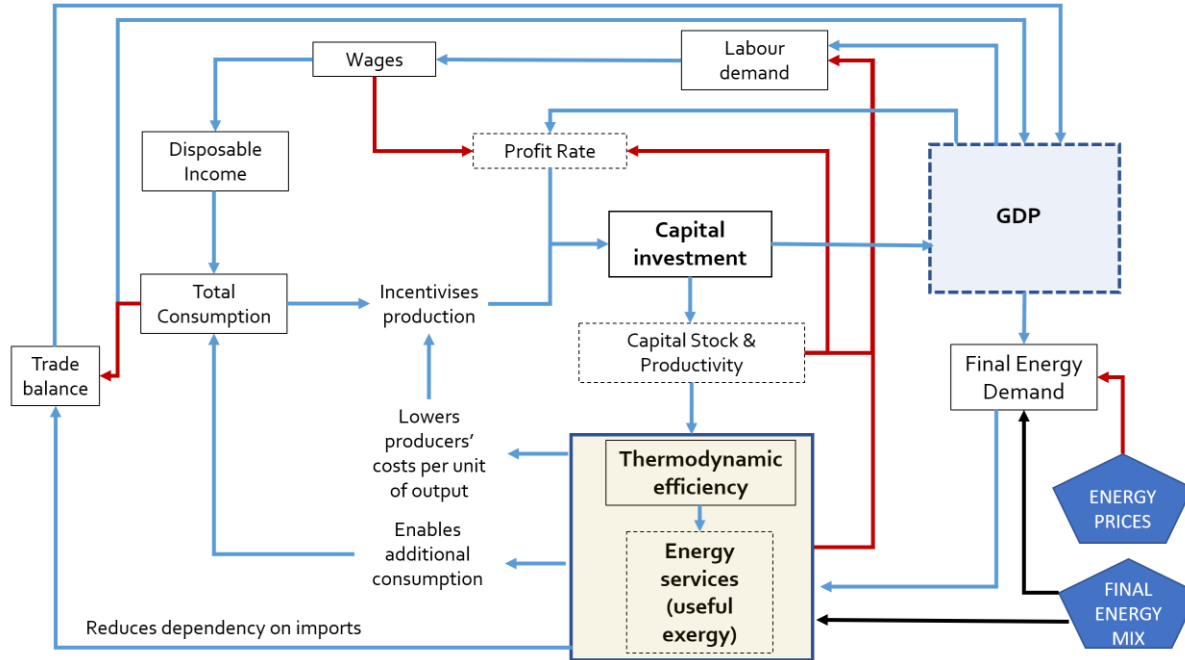
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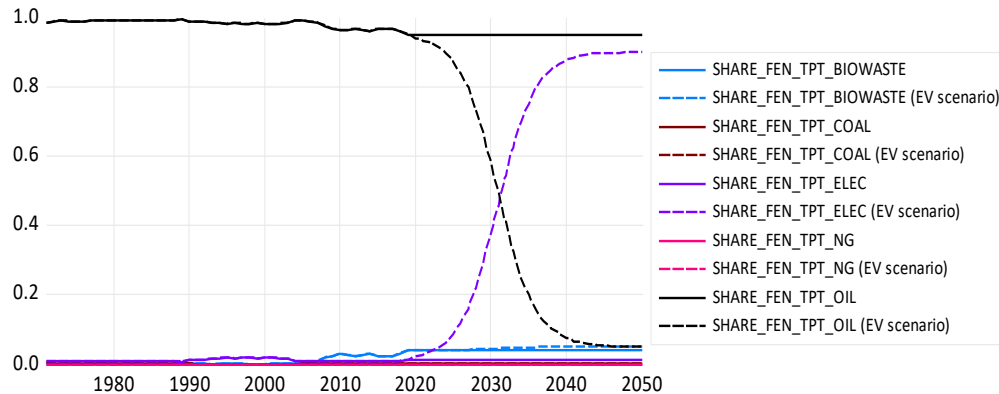


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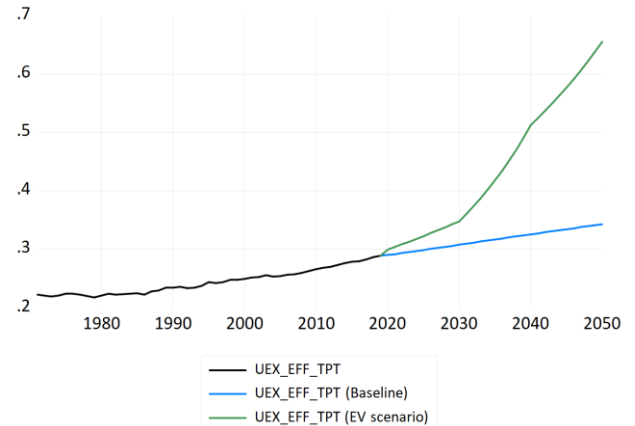


The EV transition: Input scenarios

Fuel shares: switch in EV scenarios to 90% electricity



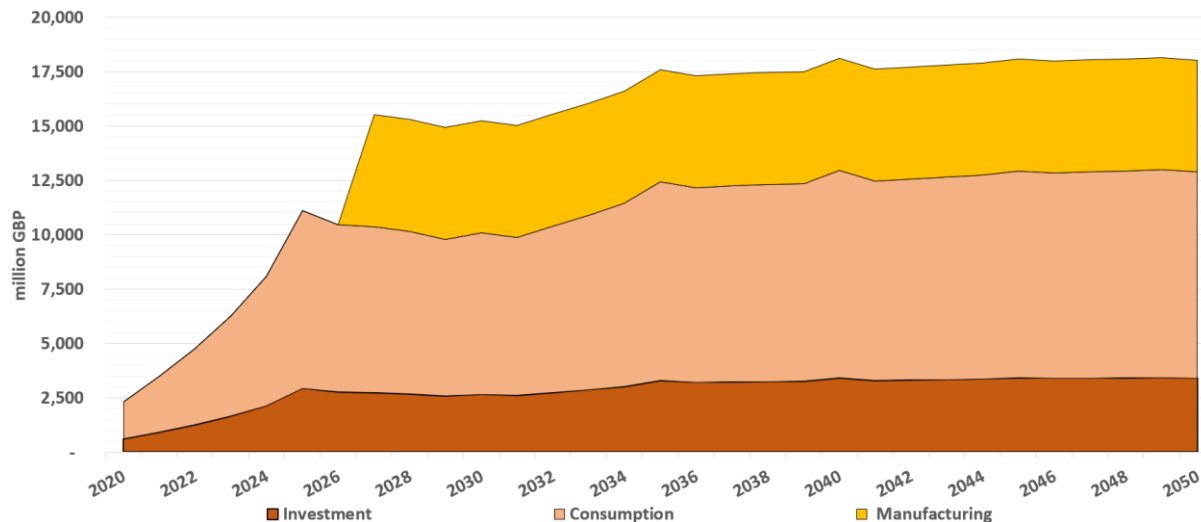
Transport efficiency: EV scenarios 70% efficiency in 2050 = twice ICE efficiency (35%)





The EV transition: Input scenarios

Investment: split between firms and households



The EV transition: Input scenarios

Electricity prices: high/low electricity prices are higher/lower than BEIS projections

