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Infrastructure needs for road vehicles: Will car ownership outpace road building?

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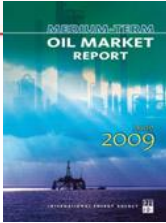


- The IEA activities in relation to transport and energy
- The role of the transport sector in reducing GHG emissions
- Latest trends in road extent worldwide
- Road-km versus Lane-km
- Vehicle sales projections by 2050
- Introducing road occupancy index
- Scenarios on road building needs

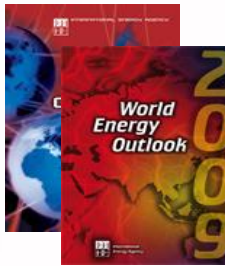


IEA, transport and liquid fuels

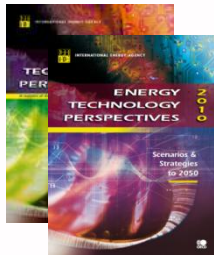
Relevant publications



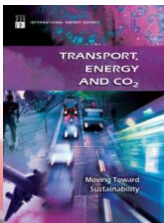
- **Medium term Oil Market Report**
Horizon 2015, focus on oil
Scenarios currently based on two different GDP growth assumptions



- **World Energy Outlook** (WEO)
Horizon 2035, all energy sources
Scenarios depicting different developments on the basis of policy actions
One underlying assumption for GDP and population growth
Includes a thorough analysis on the oil supply availability



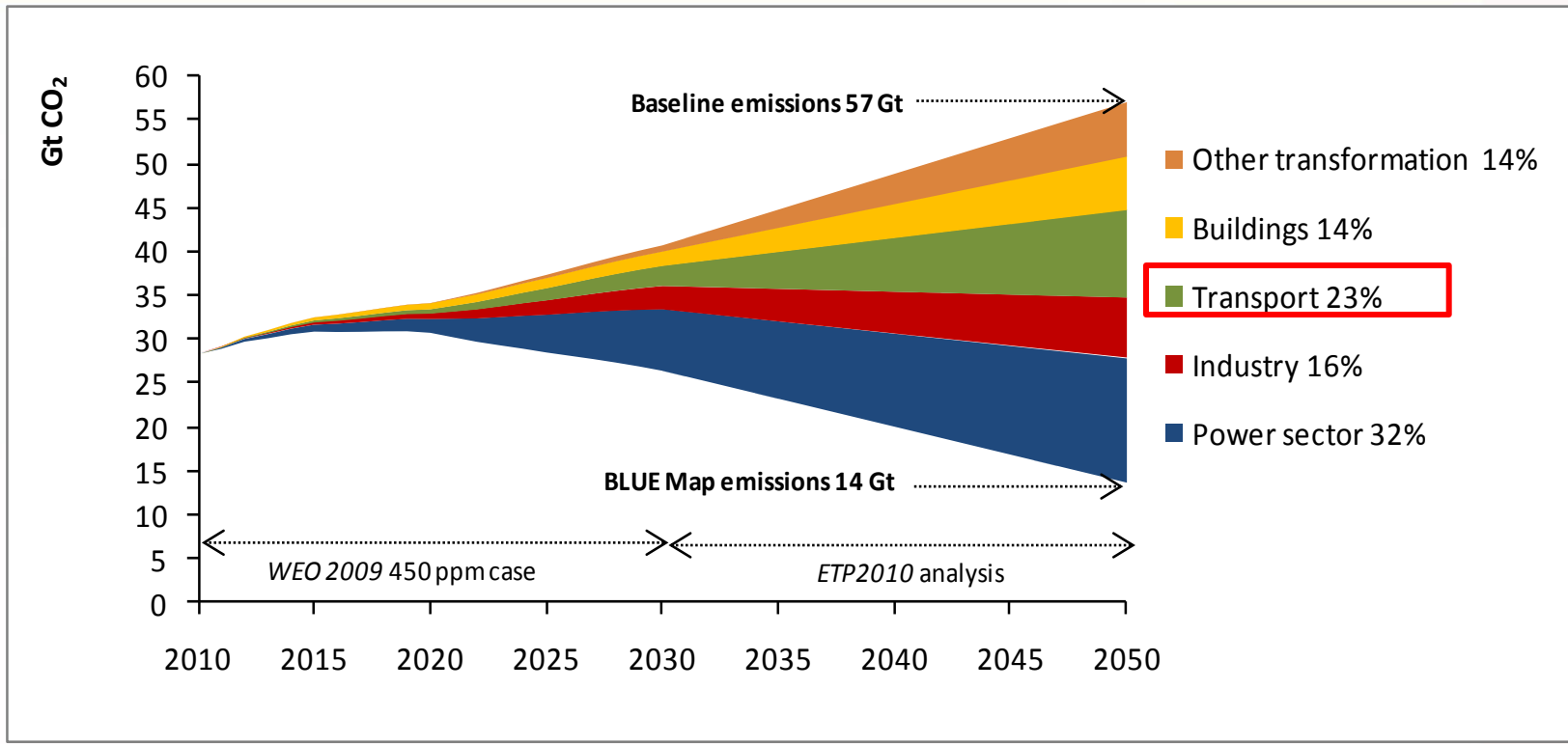
- **Energy Technology Perspectives** (ETP)
Horizon 2050, all energy sources
Scenarios that pay particular attention to the role of technology, especially on the demand side
One underlying assumption for GDP and population growth



- **Transport, energy and CO₂** (Transport book)
Moving towards sustainability (ETP Transport book, 2009)
Horizon 2050, all energy sources
Builds and expands the work done on ETP

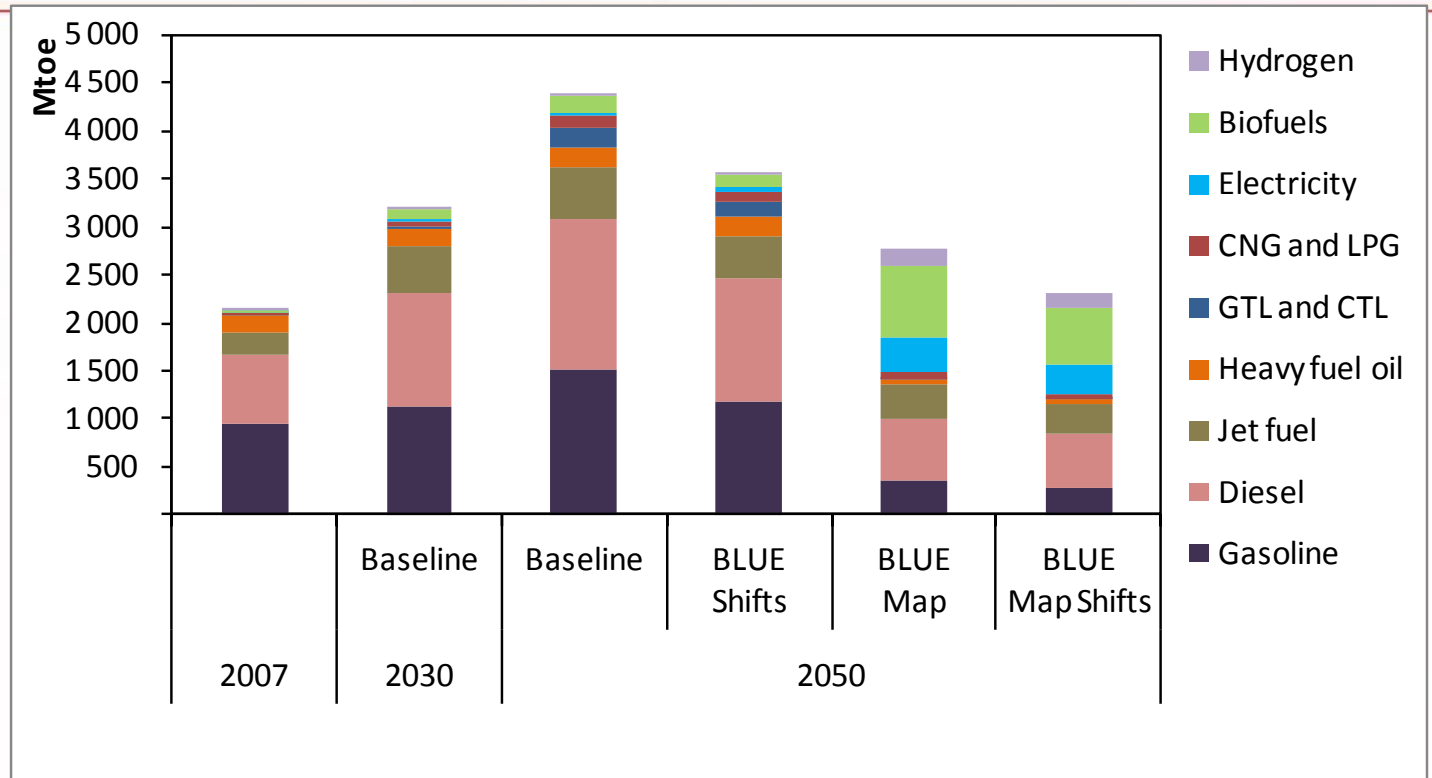


World energy-related CO₂ emissions abatement by sector



In the BLUE Map scenario, transport accounts for 23% of reductions. Additional savings accrue in "transformation", since less high-CO₂ fuels (such as coal-to-liquids) are produced for transport use.

Transport Energy Use by ETP Scenario



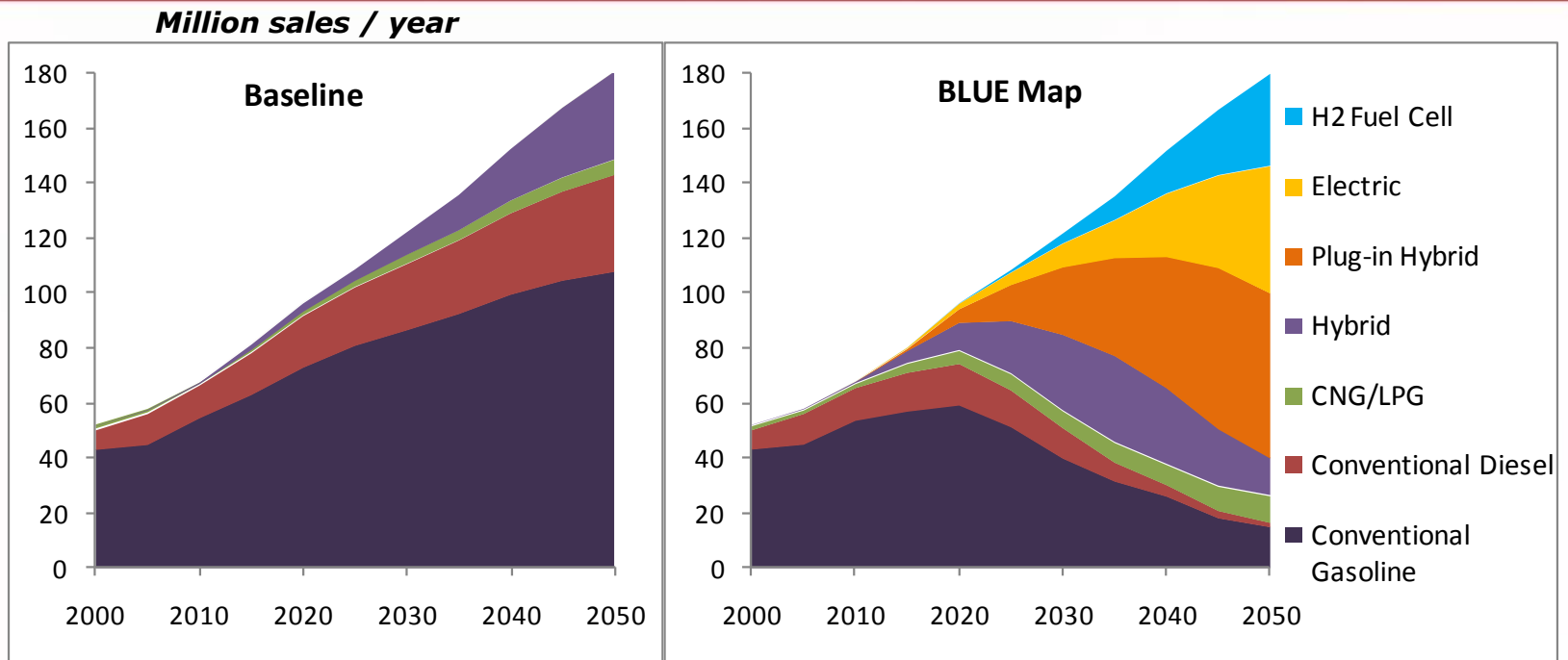
- *Global transport energy use in Baseline doubles by 2050*
- *BLUE Shifts achieves a 20% reduction in 2050; BLUE Map achieves 40%, BLUE Map/Shifts achieves nearly 50%*
- *Nearly 50% of energy is low-CO₂ renewable in 2050*

Key Transport steps to achieve BLUE outcomes

- BLUE Map – *technology* solutions
 - 50% reduction in conventional new PLDV (car, SUV) fuel intensity by 2050
 - 30-50% reduction in energy intensity for bus/truck/rail/ships/aircraft by 2050
 - Strong uptake of advanced technology vehicles and Fuels
 - Plug-in Hybrids [PHEVs], starting in 2010-2015
 - Battery electric vehicles [BEVs], starting in 2010-2015
 - Fuel cell vehicles [FCVs], starting in 2025
 - Advanced, low-GHG Biofuels reach 12% of transport fuel use by 2030, 25% by 2050
- BLUE Shifts – *travel* solutions
 - 25% lower level of car and air travel in 2050 compared to Baseline
 - Up to 2x travel by rail, bus (such as Bus Rapid Transit systems)
 - Lower travel demand due to better land use planning, road pricing, telematic substitution



Passenger LDV sales by technology type and scenario: BLUE Map will be VERY challenging

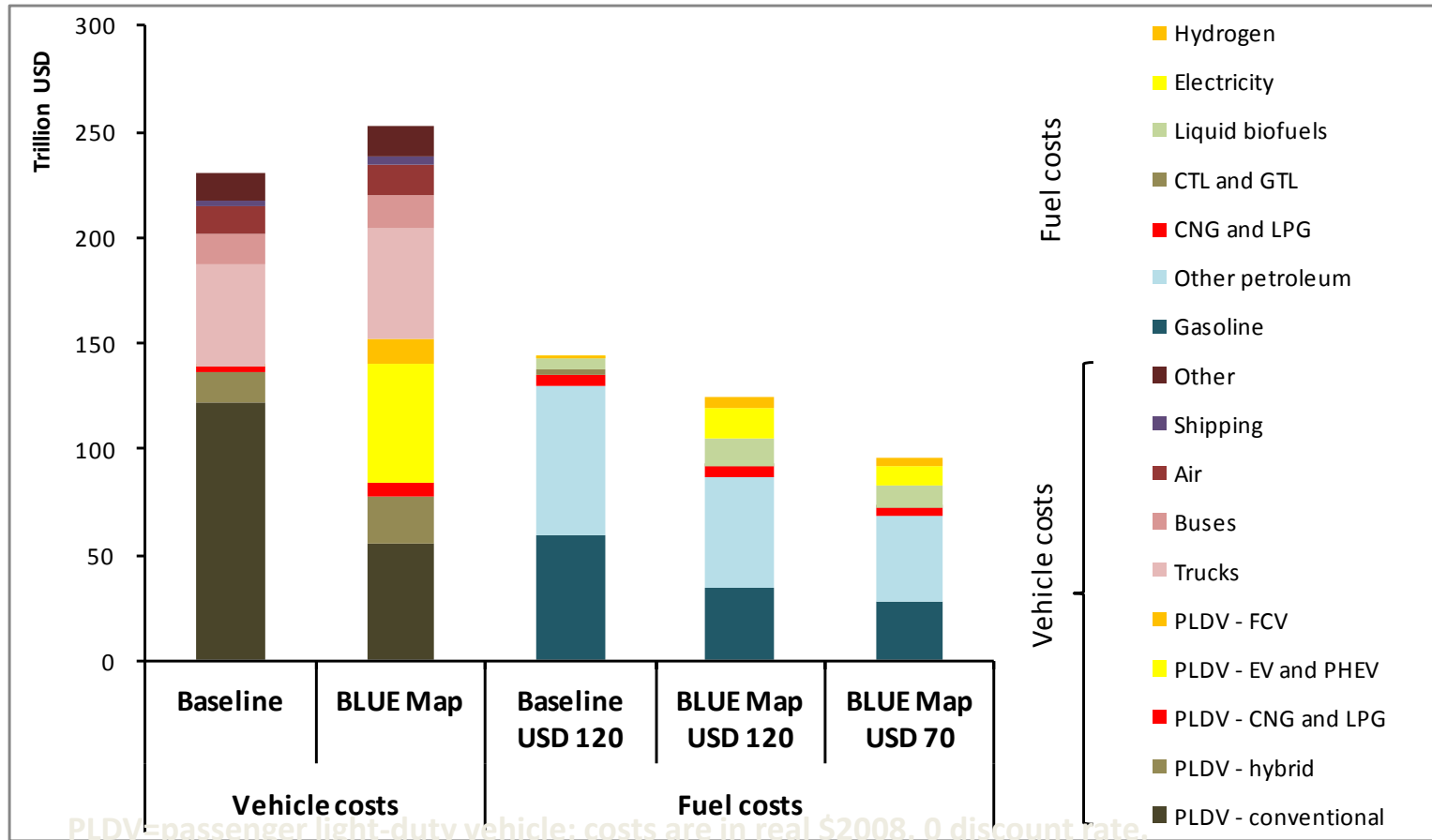


In the ETP Baseline, sales are mainly conventional vehicles through 2050; hybrids reach about 20% of sales

In BLUE Map, strong penetration of hybrids by 2015, PHEVs and EVs by 2020, FCVs after 2025. By 2050, plug-in vehicles account for more than two-thirds of all sales.



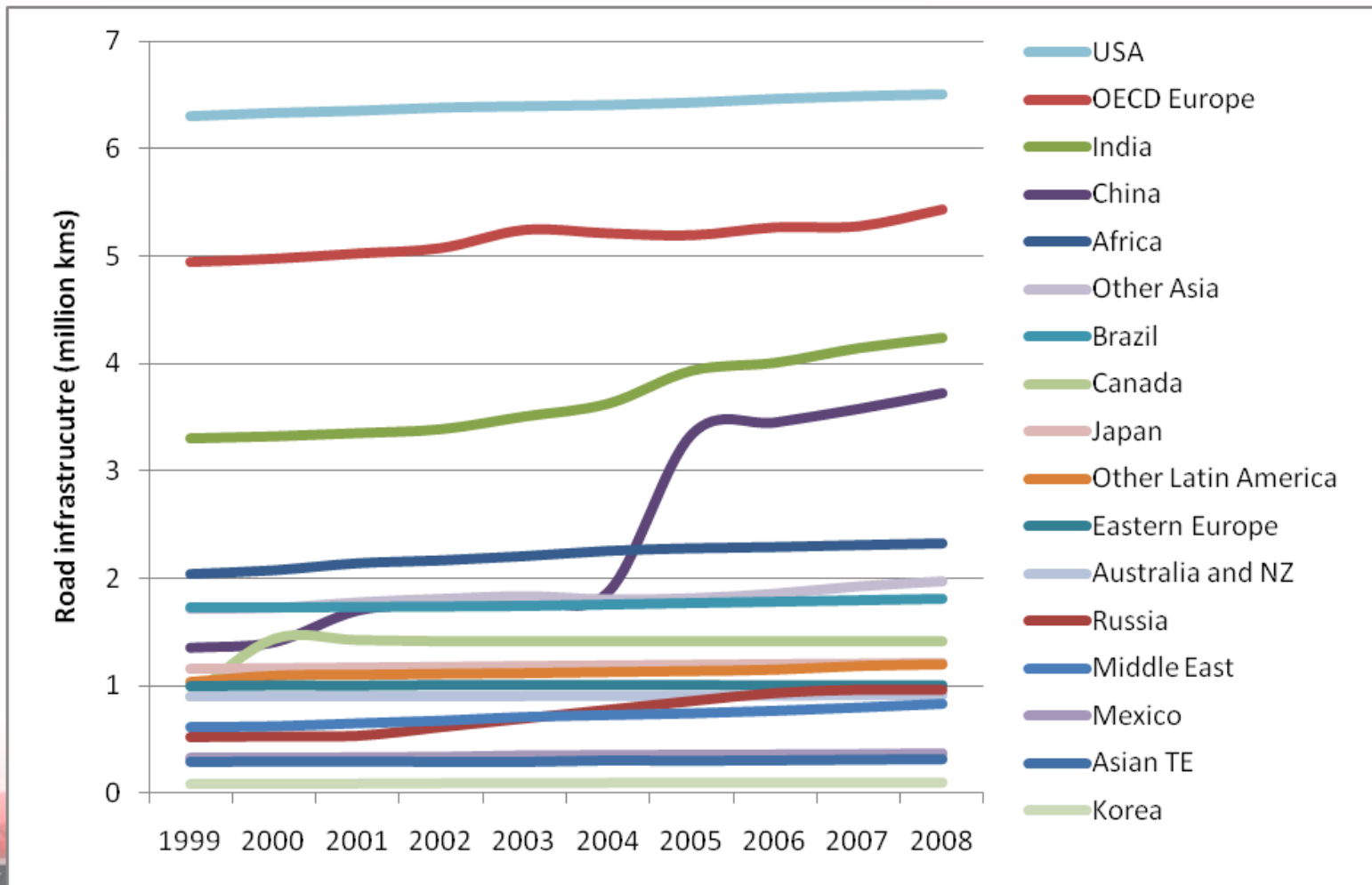
Global Vehicle and Fuel Costs, 2010-2050 by Scenario (ETP 2010)



Fuel cost savings mostly or fully offset the costs of advanced technology vehicles in BLUE Map

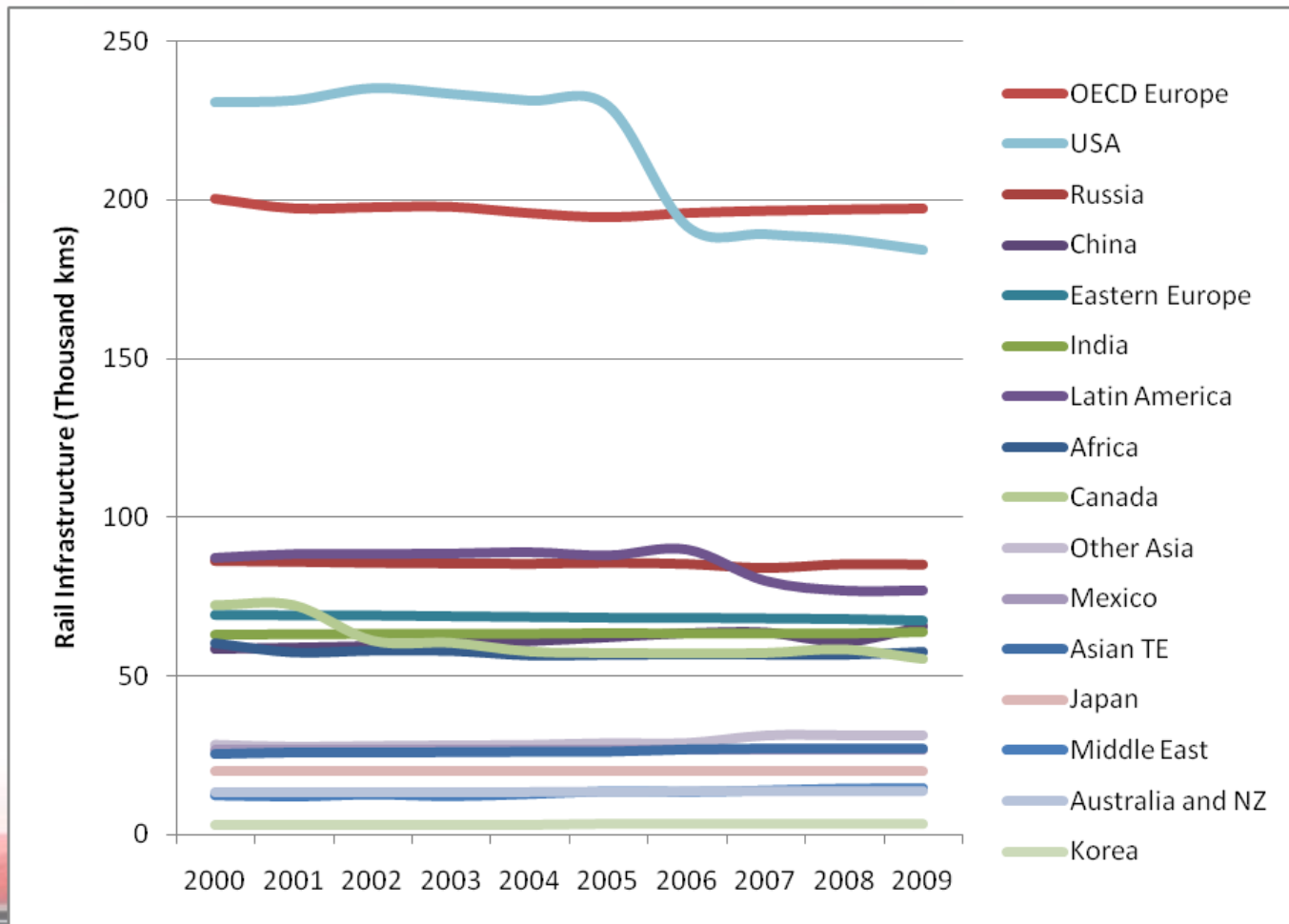
Extending the analysis to vehicle infrastructure

- Gathering data on infrastructure per mode - Road
- China, India, Russia have the highest growth

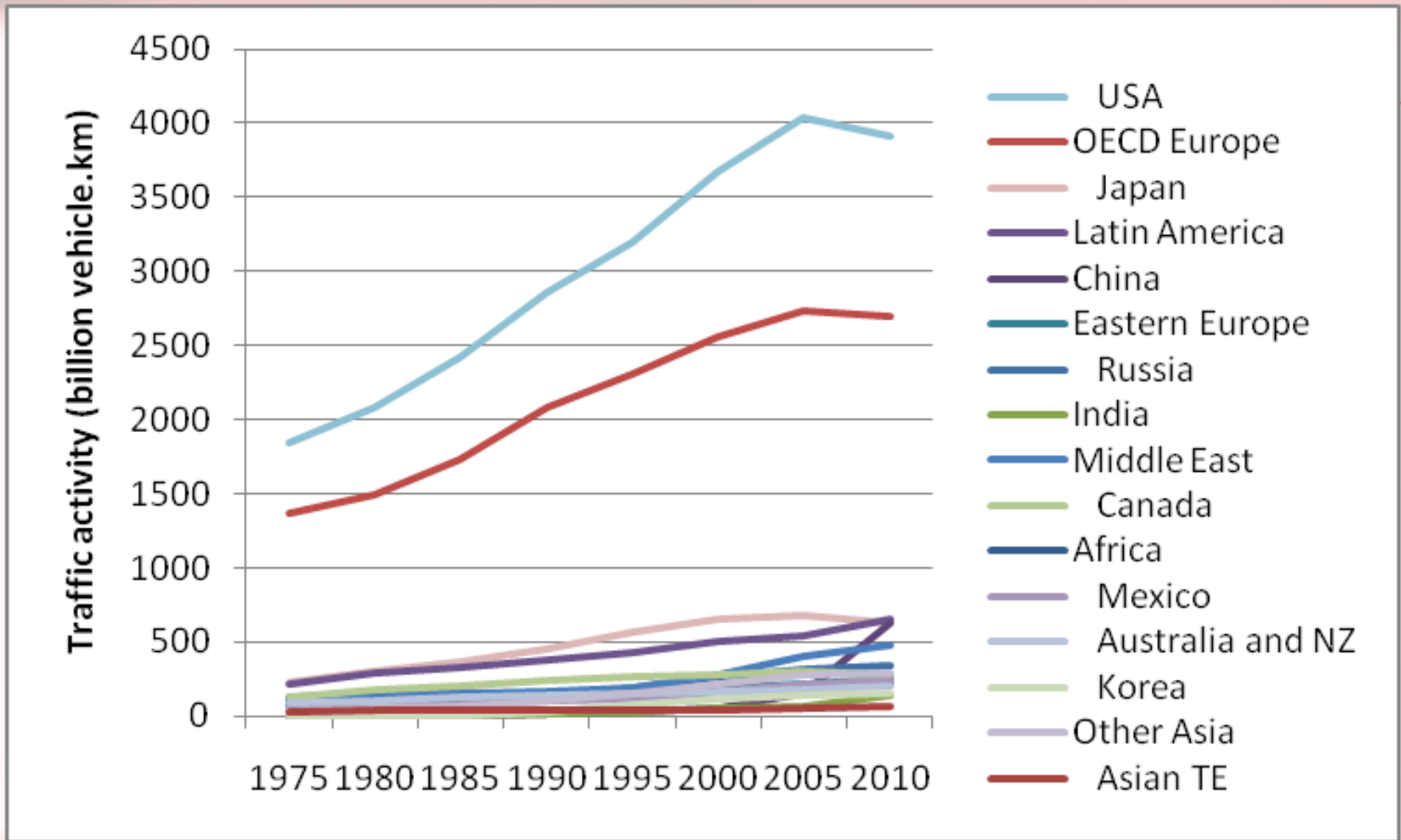


Extending the analysis to vehicle infrastructure

- Gathering data on infrastructure per mode - Rail
- Some countries decreases the rail track kilometres



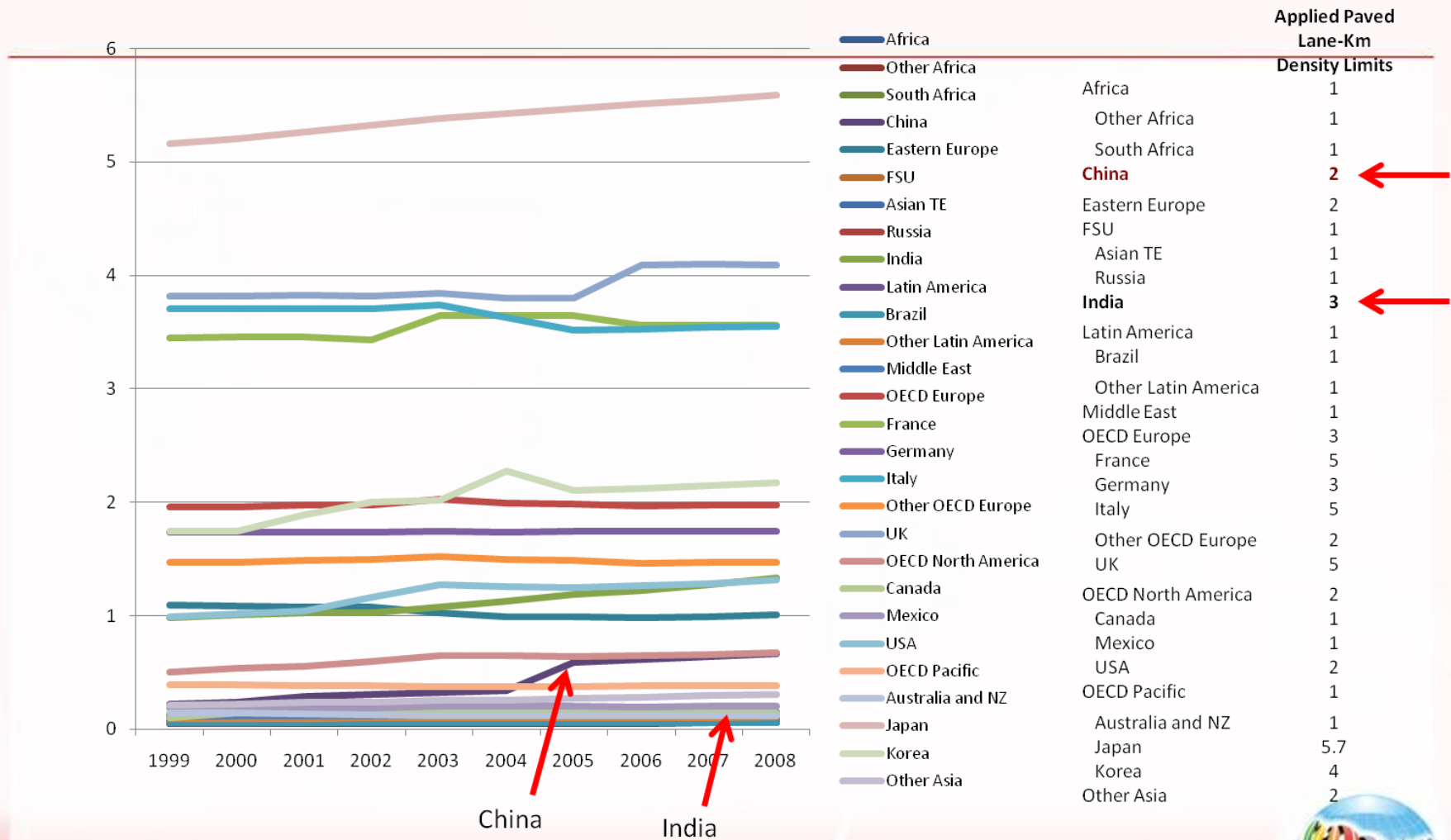
Linked with traffic activity



Sustained growth of traffic from the mid 70s in all countries, at different rates

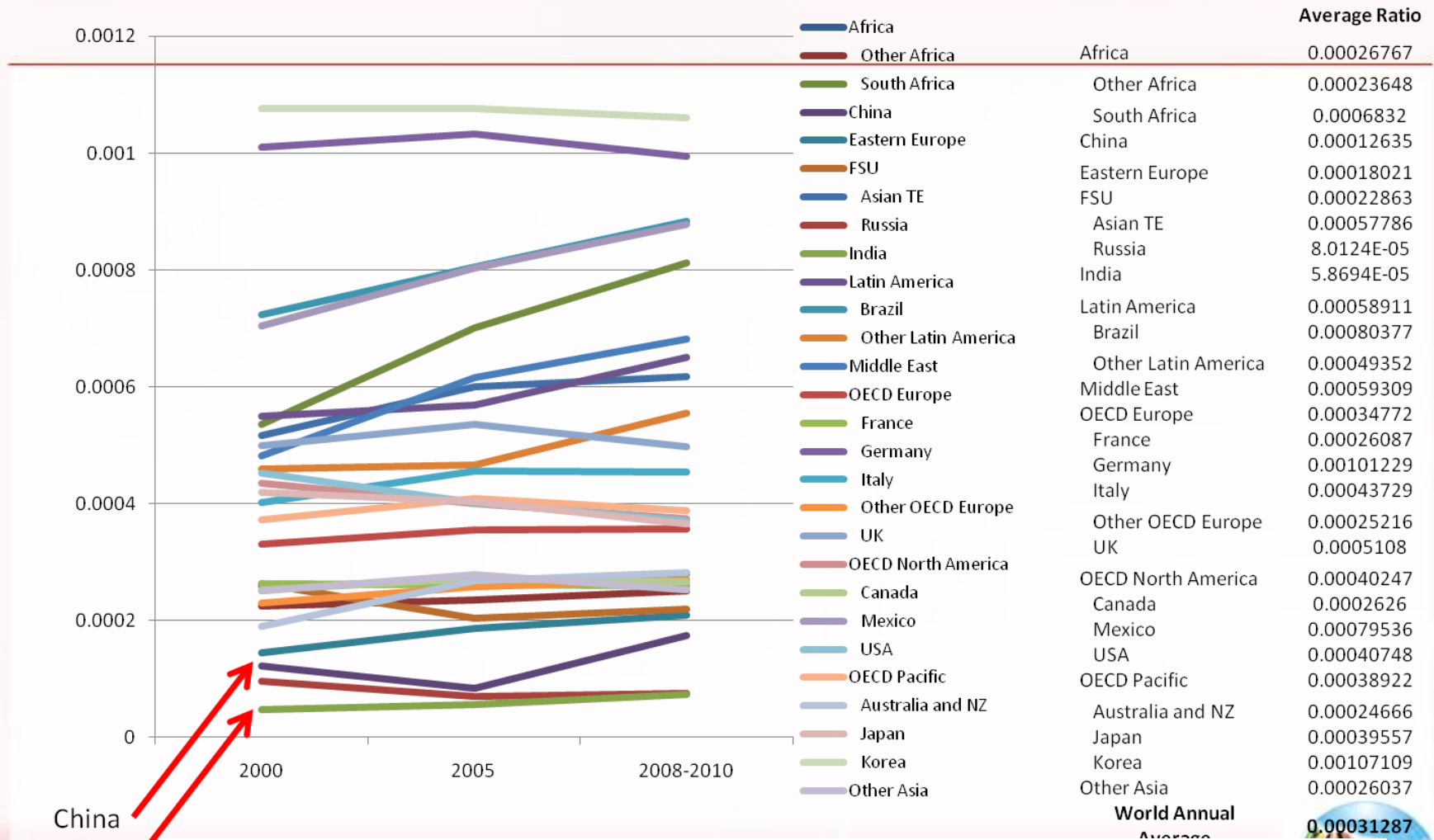


Historic Roadway Densities (Paved Lane-Km per Km²)



China and India have a lot of room for road growth

Historic Ratio: Vehicle Km to Paved Lane-Km (Road Occupancy Factor)

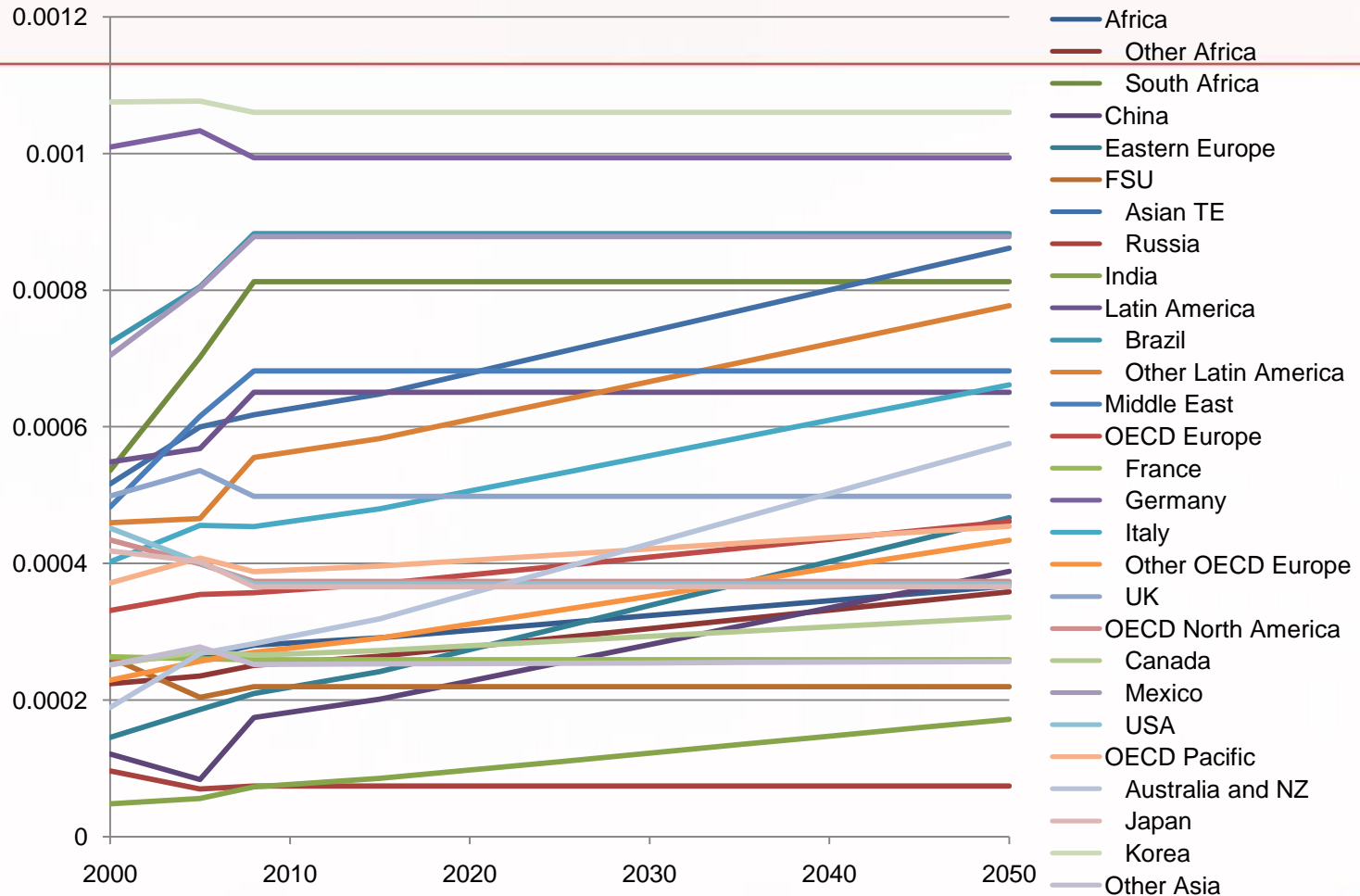


China
India

China and India seems to have anticipated the car sales booming



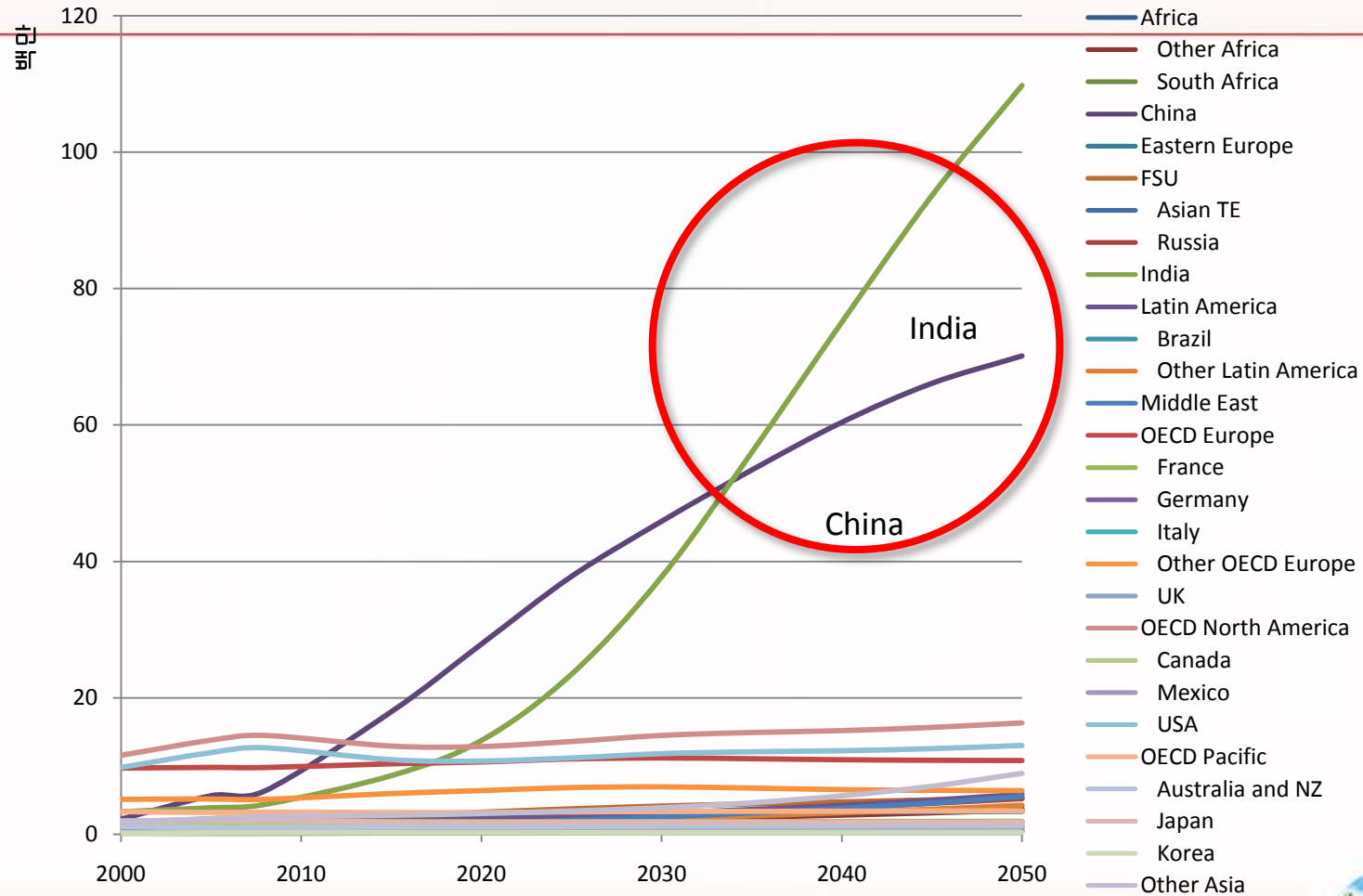
Applied Converging Vkm to Paved Lane-Km (Congestion) Limits



Convergence towards a common congestion
hard to figure out



Paved Lane-Km Projections (vkm * ave paved lane-km/vkm), No Limits Applied



China and India would be desperate for road building, in a business as usual scenario

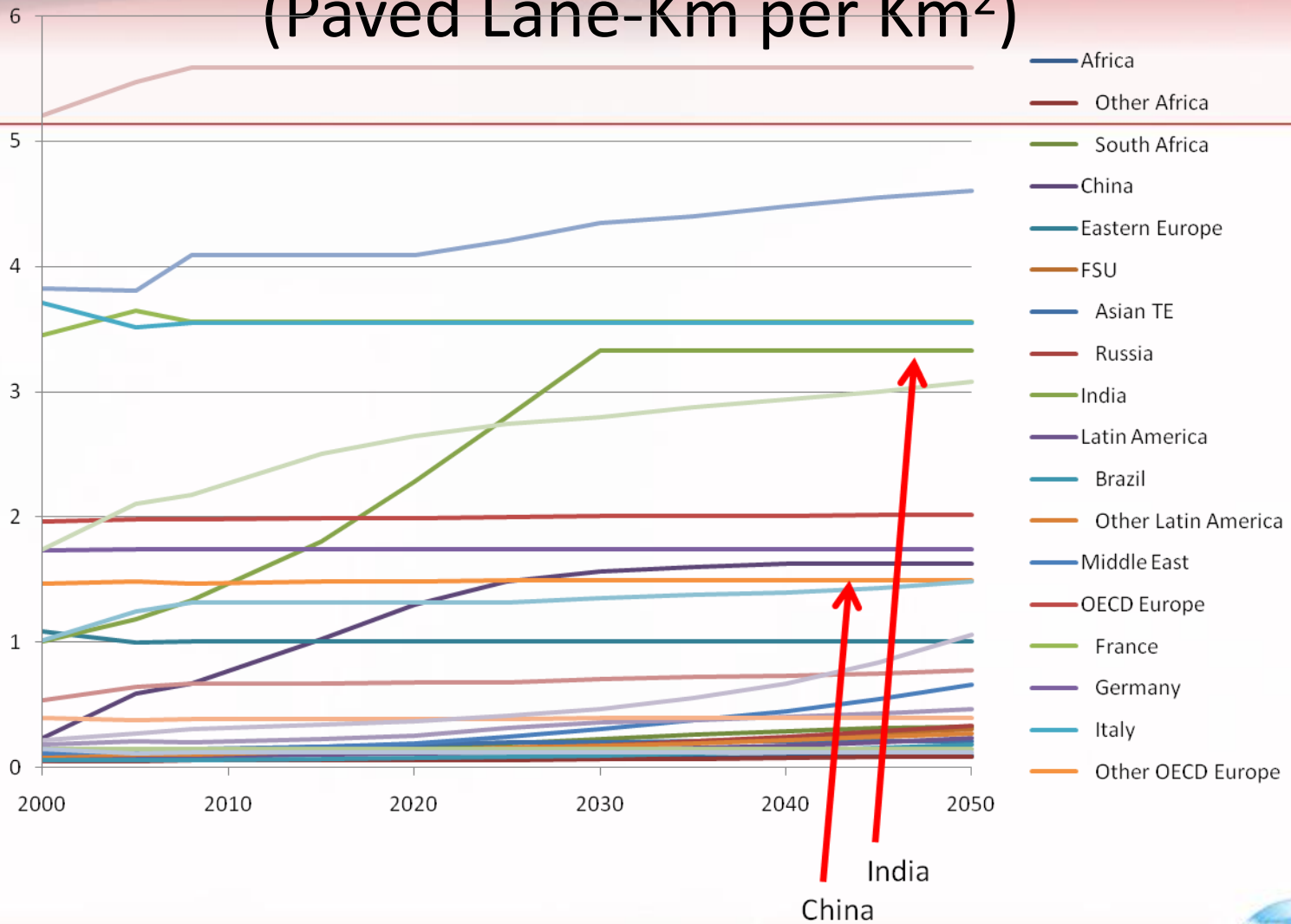
Scenarios on road building needs

- China and India are on track for intense road building programmes to match vehicle stock growth
 - the road building rate is difficult to reach
- Two extra constraints taken into account:
 - Road density saturation levels
 - Maximum road building past rates

=> Congestion levels are likely to increase in those countries

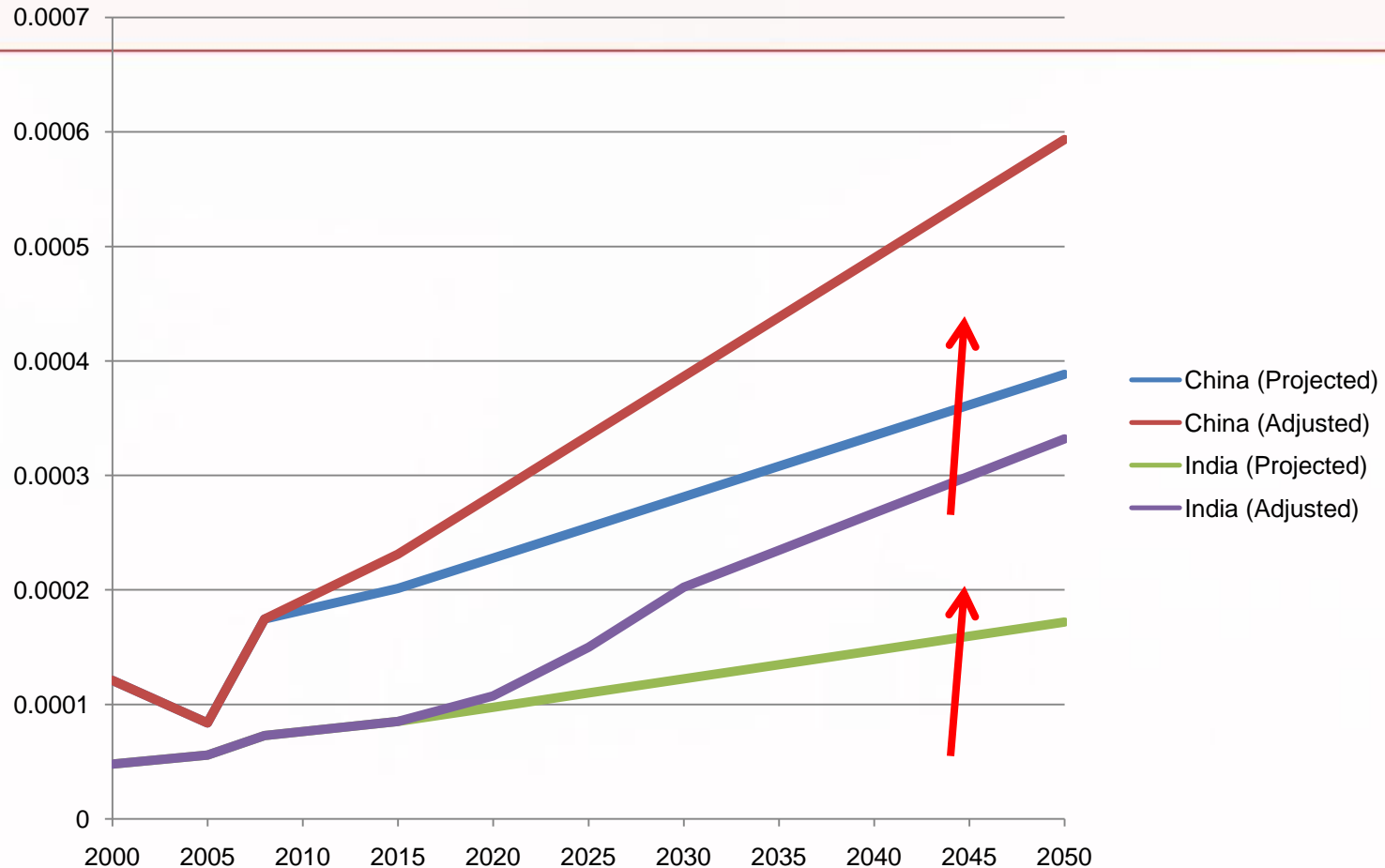


Resulting Roadway Density (Paved Lane-Km per Km²)



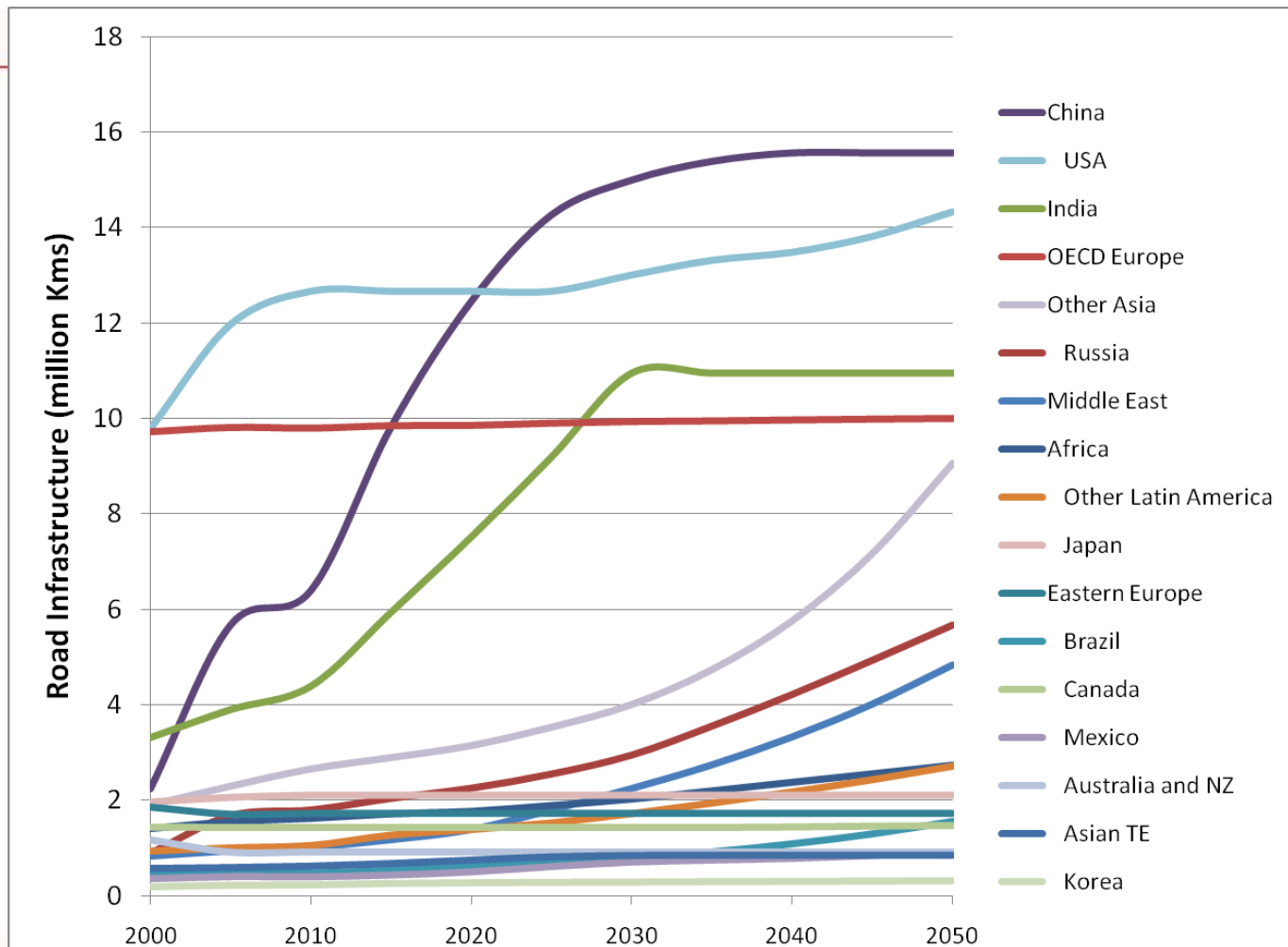
Applying road density limits how much road can be built

China and India Converging Vkm to Paved Lane-Km (Congestion) Limits,



Congestion likely to increase to dangerous levels once the limits are applied to China and India

Paved Lane-Km Projections: Density and Congestion Limits Applied



More realistic picture of the future; strong growth still expected in the decades to come for China and India

- In a future where car ownership follows OECD countries trends, road infrastructure needs will boom in the coming decades
- Given some limits, road occupancy is likely to increase at a national level, possibly leading to increased congestion
- China and India are keys to road infrastructure development until 2050
- Next step is to cost that out !

