

Belgian energy efficiency trends and policies by sector

The Green Deal and the National Energy and Climate Plan in Belgium

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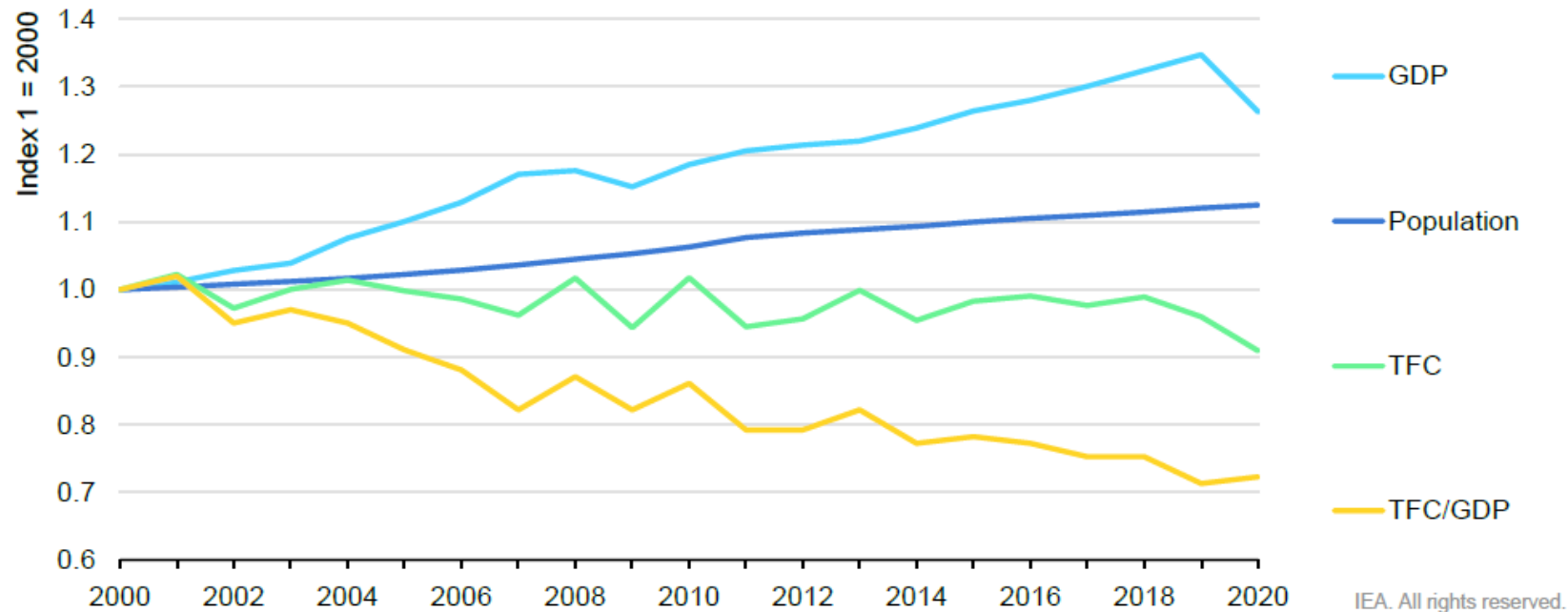


Overview

- Decoupling energy demand from economic growth
- Energy Demand by sector
 - Industry
 - Buildings
 - Transport
- Indicative Energy Efficiency targets 2020
- Federal Energy Efficiency Policies

Decoupling : Energy Demand by end-users & Economic Growth (Total Final Consumption & GDP)

Figure 4.1 Energy demand and drivers in Belgium, 2000-2020



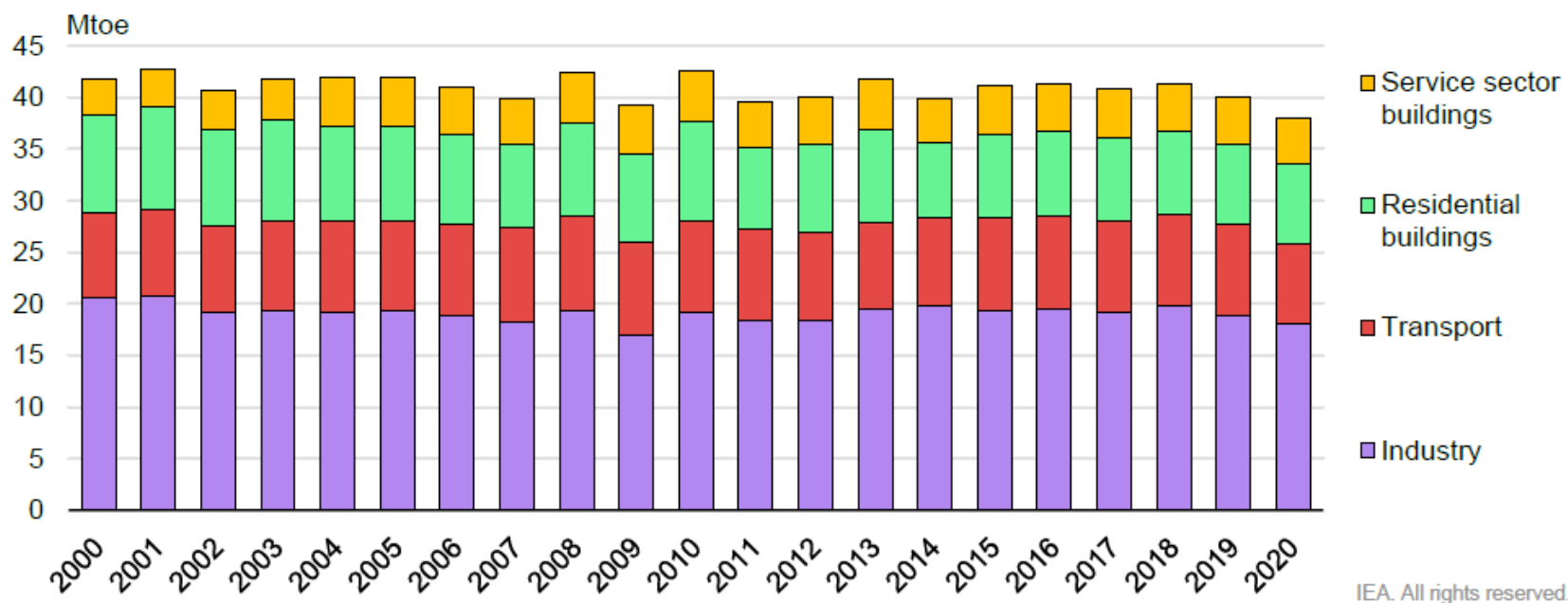
The TFC/GDP ratio decreased by 16% between 2010 and 2020, showing decoupling between energy demand and economic growth.

Source: IEA (2022a), *World Energy Balances* (database), <https://www.iea.org/data-and-statistics/data-product/world-energy-balances>.

Energy demand by sector

In 2020, Belgium's energy demand was 38 Mtoe, with the largest share from industry (48% of TFC), followed by buildings (32% in total, with 21% from residential buildings and 12% from service sector buildings) and transport (20%) (Figure 4.2).

Figure 4.2 Energy demand by sector in Belgium, 2000-2020

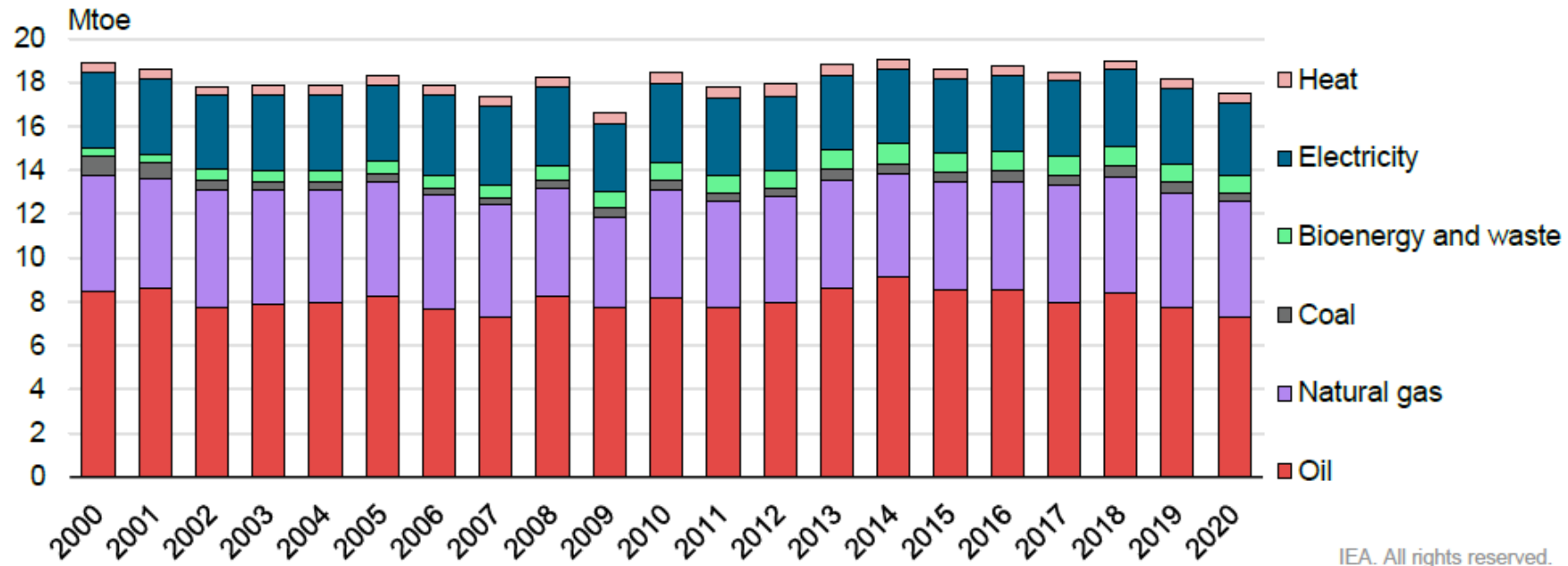


Energy demand fluctuated around 40 Mtoe between 2009 and 2019, and dropped in 2020 due to Covid-19. The largest share comes from industry (48% in 2020).

Source: IEA (2022a), *World Energy Balances* (database), <https://www.iea.org/data-and-statistics/data-product/world-energy-balances>.

Industry: Petrochemical and chemical sector account for 59% of TFC in 2020

Figure 4.3 Industry energy demand by source in Belgium, 2000-2020



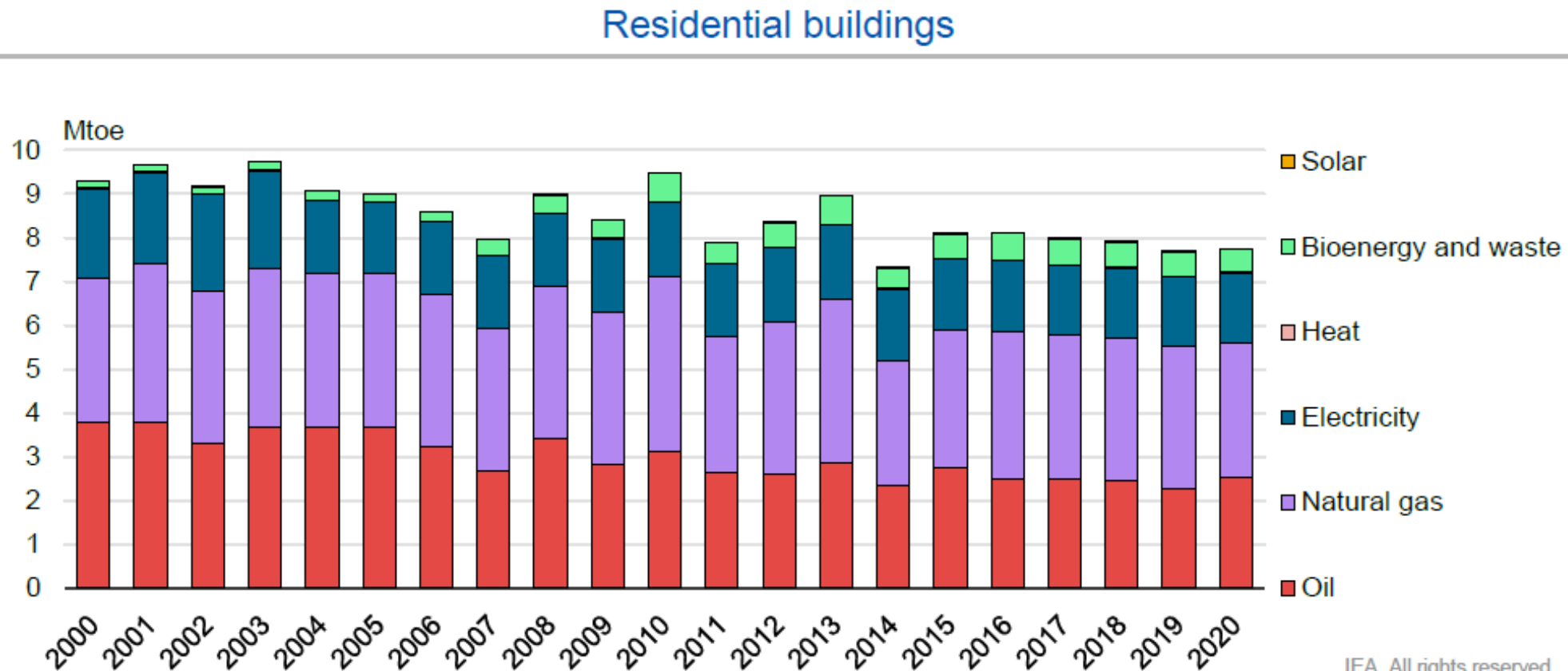
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Industry energy demand fluctuated around 19.5 Mtoe between 2013 and 2018, dropping in 2019 and 2020. Oil covered 40% of TFC in 2020, followed by natural gas and electricity.

Source: IEA (2022a), *World Energy Balances* (database), <https://www.iea.org/data-and-statistics/data-product/world-energy-balances>.

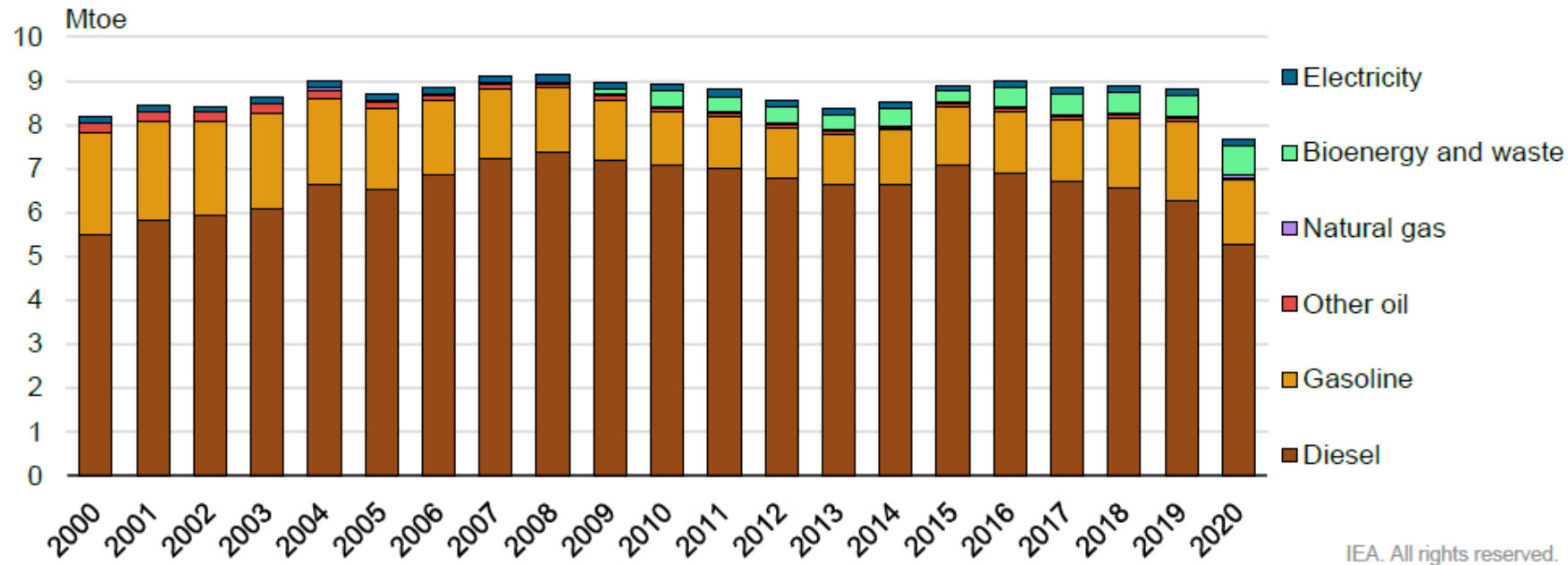
Residential Buildings: 73% originates from space heating

Figure 4.4 Total final consumption in the buildings sector by source in Belgium, 2000-2020



Transport: 96% TFC comes from road transport; of which 55% passenger cars; freight 38%

Figure 4.5 Total final consumption in transport by fuel in Belgium, 2000-2020



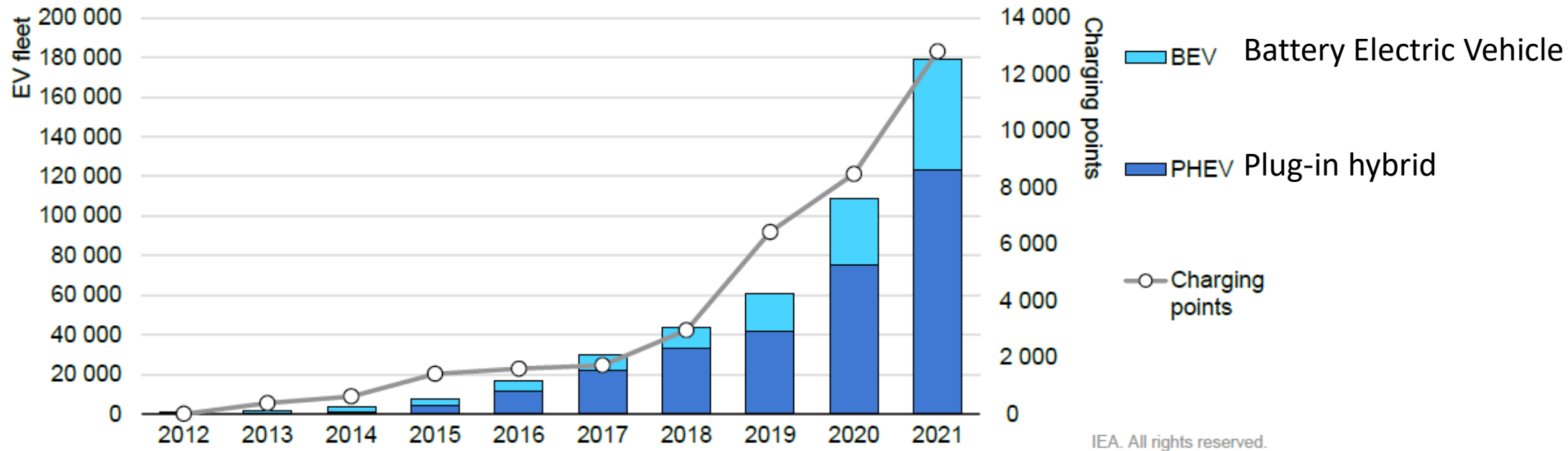
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Transport demand in 2019 was at a level similar to that in 2009, but with a decreasing trend since 2016. The 2020 drop is caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. Biofuels and gasoline increased, with a decreasing share of diesel.

Source: IEA (2022a), *World Energy Balances* (database), <https://www.iea.org/data-and-statistics/data-product/world-energy-balances>.

New Electric vehicle registrations reached 48000 in 2020, or 8.6% of annual new vehicle registrations

Figure 4.6 Registered electric vehicles and public charging points in Belgium, 2012-2021



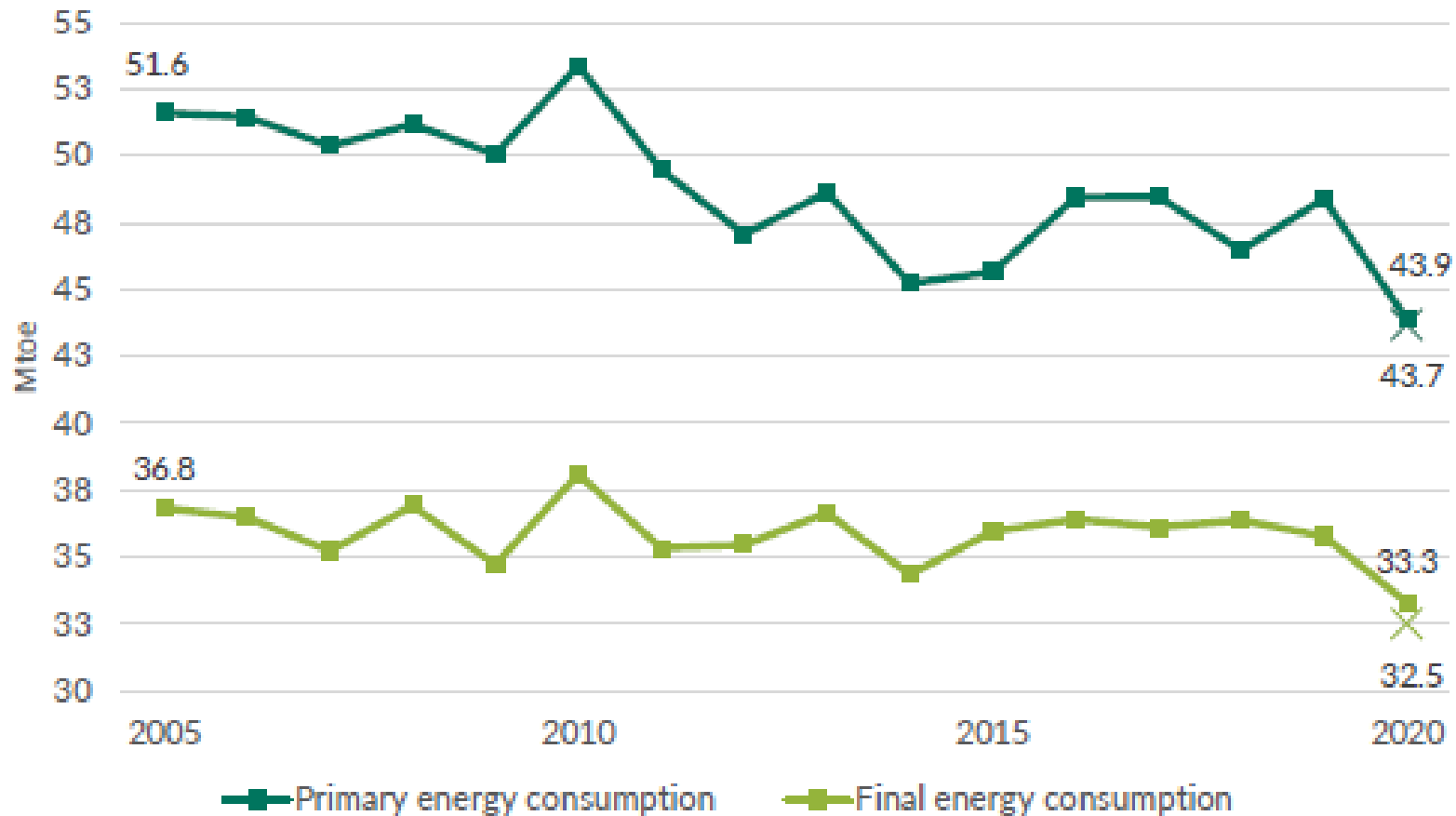
Sales of electric vehicles are rapidly increasing in Belgium, with plug-in hybrids making up the largest share. Deployment of charging infrastructure has also increased in recent years.

Note: BEV = battery electric vehicle.

Source: EAFO (2022), *Belgium* (database), <https://eafo.eu/countries/belgium/1724/summary>.

Indicative Energy Efficiency Target 2020

1.3.3. Follow-up on the Energy Efficiency Indicative Objectives



Energy Efficiency Policies in Belgium

- The rational use of energy is a shared **competence of the regions and the federal state**
- Federal State implements **support measures aimed at enhancing energy efficiency** within its own competences (Cfr. NECP)
- Consultation between the regions and federal state takes place within the consultation body **“CONCERE”**

Federal Energy Efficiency Policy

Buildings

- reduced 6% VAT rate **demolition and reconstruction**
- **Carbon neutral public federal buildings by 2040**

Appliances & Behavioural measures

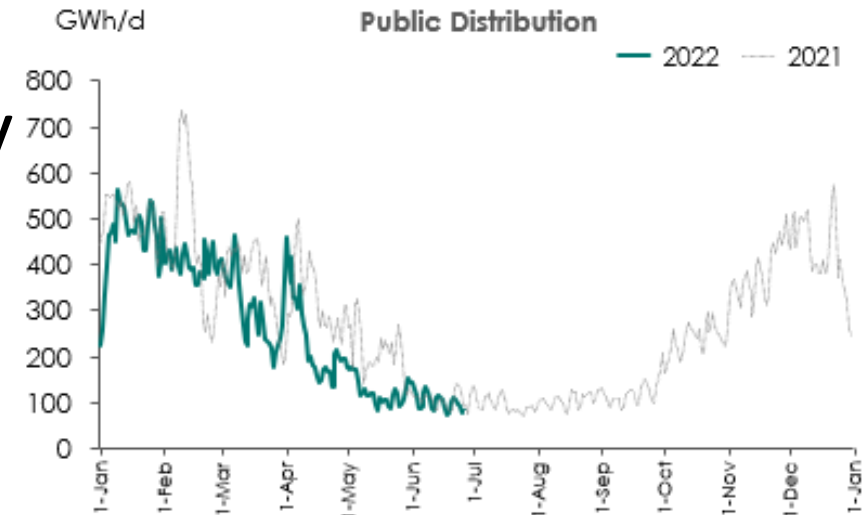
- National information campaign on **new energy label**
- **'I have impact' awareness campaign**
- **Heat pump 6% VAT reduction** until end of 2023

Transport

- reform of the **company car scheme** phasing out tax deductions for ICE by 2026
- Reducing **traction losses** of rail transport (NMBS)

Structural Greening of tax system

- Existing **increased investment tax credit for energy savings** on industrial processes ; product design ; reusable package materials; ...
- Ongoing general review with the objective to green the tax system



- **Public Distribution consumption highly linked with temperature** – Indications of lower consumption due to lower temperature settings for heating systems.
- 01/01 – 26/06/2022 vs same period 2021: **-18,33%**

Bedankt!

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