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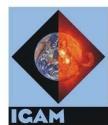


# Climate and Energy Systems

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# The importance of climate (change) in energy systems...

- There is no doubt that climate change is currently the key driver in Energy Research
  - Mitigation
  - Impacts & Adaptation
- E.g. Programme for this year's International Energy Workshop in Venice:

## Overview of Parallel Sessions

WEDNESDAY, 17 JUNE 2009

ROOM	PARALLEL SESSION 1 11.30 - 13.00	PARALLEL SESSION 2 14.30 - 16.30	PARALLEL SESSION 3 17.00 - 18.30
Salone Arazzi	Climate Policy 1	Electricity Systems	Climate Policy 2
Sala Cipressi	R&D and Technology Diffusion	Land Use and Spatial Analysis	Renewable Energy 1
Sala Barbantini	Energy Demand 1	Regional Climate Policies 1	Energy Markets and Prices 1
Sala Consiglio	Uncertainty	International Negotiations	Sustainable Development 1
Sala Soffitto	Policy Instruments 1	Innovation	Sectoral Analysis

THURSDAY, 18 JUNE 2009

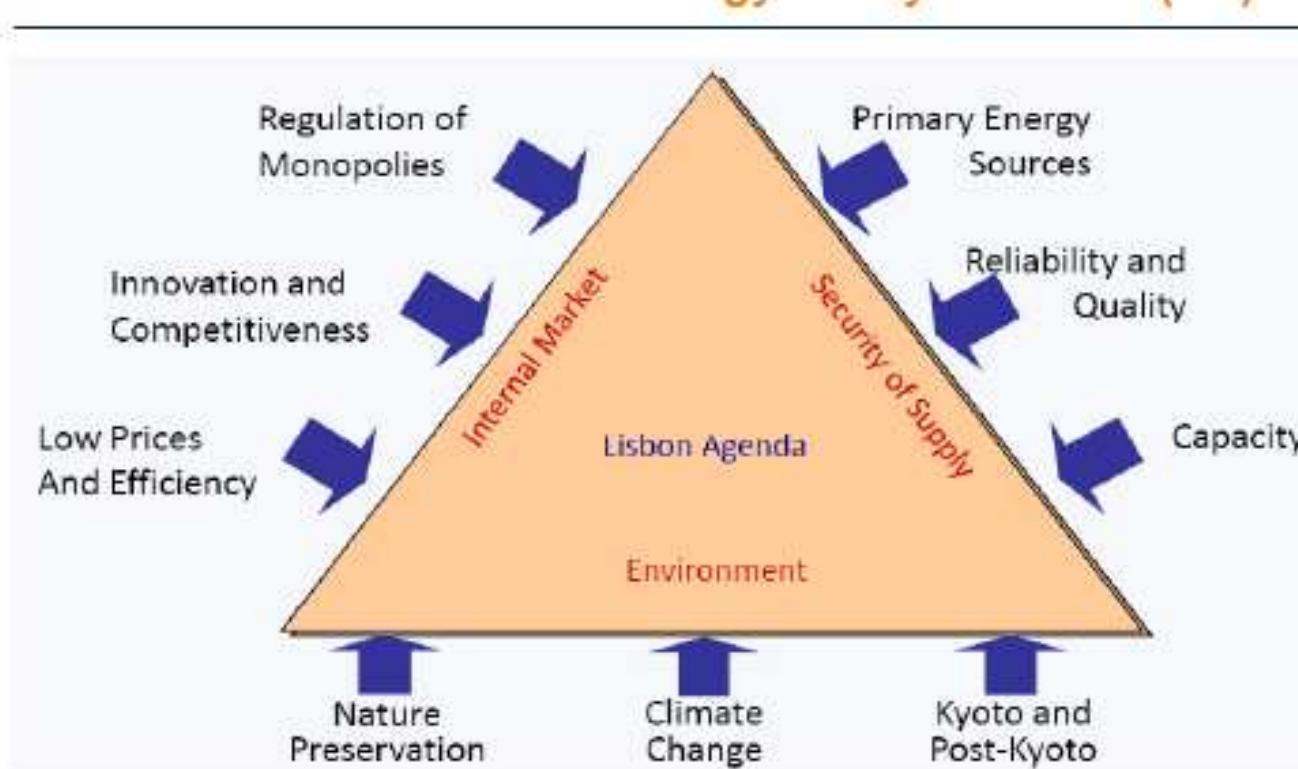
ROOM	PARALLEL SESSION 4 11.30 - 13.00	PARALLEL SESSION 5 14.30 - 16.30	PARALLEL SESSION 6 17.00 - 18.30
Salone Arazzi	Climate Policy 3	PLANETS Project Special Session	Climate Policy 4
Sala Cipressi	Adaptation	Sustainable Energy	Renewable Energy 2
Sala Barbantini	Energy Demand 2	Regional Climate Policies 2	Energy Markets and Prices 2
Sala Consiglio	European Climate Policy 1	Empirical Studies	Sustainable Development 2
Sala Soffitto	Policy Instruments 2	Innovation and Technology Transfer	Energy Scenarios

FRIDAY, 19 JUNE 2009

ROOM	PARALLEL SESSION 7 11.30 - 13.00	PARALLEL SESSION 8 14.30 - 16.30	PARALLEL SESSION 9 17.00 - 18.30
Salone Arazzi	Climate Policy 5	Regional Analysis of the Power Sector	
Sala Cipressi	Transport	Energy Efficiency	Power Generation
Sala Barbantini	Energy Demand 3	Renewable Energy 3	Finance, Climate and Energy
Sala Consiglio	European Climate Policy 2	Carbon Markets	Power Sector: Regional Studies
Sala Soffitto	Policy Instruments 3	Technology Learning and Diffusion	

# ...but there are other objectives too

## ► Energy Policy in the European Union:



Source: Bellmans (2009) in: Bigano et al. (2009)

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**Supply side risks**

**Demand side risks**

- **3: Climate change mitigation**

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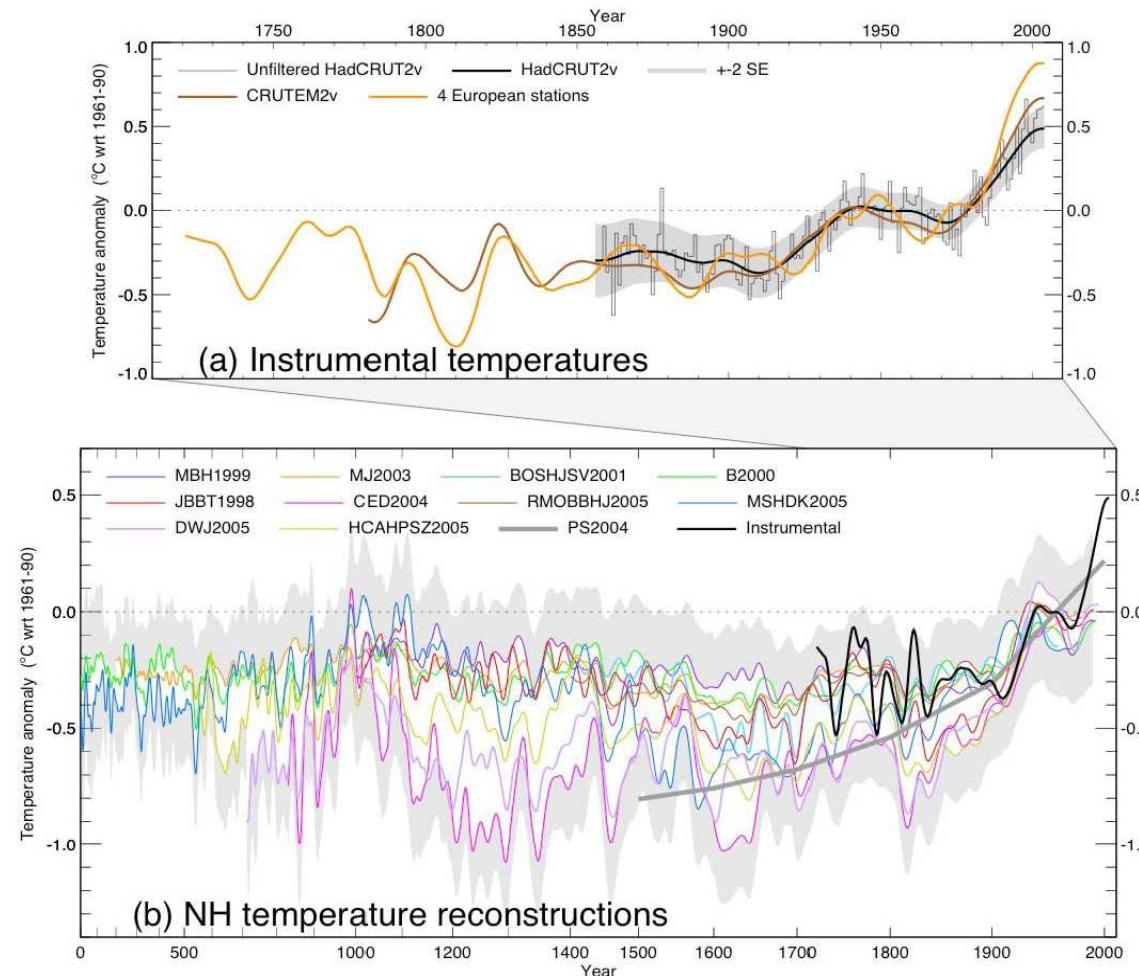
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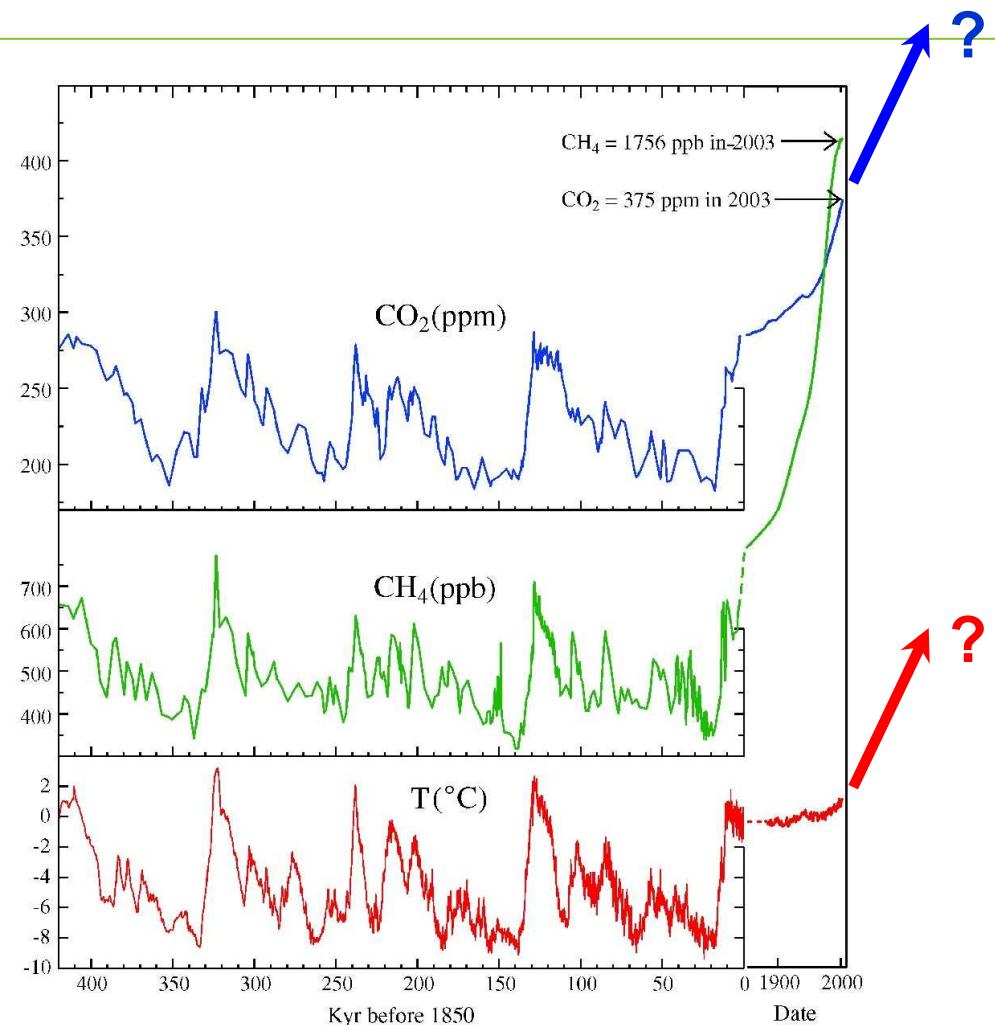
# medium climate development



The last millenium:

A lot of „hot air“ in scientific discourse but still the same conclusion: the planet is heating up

# medium climate development

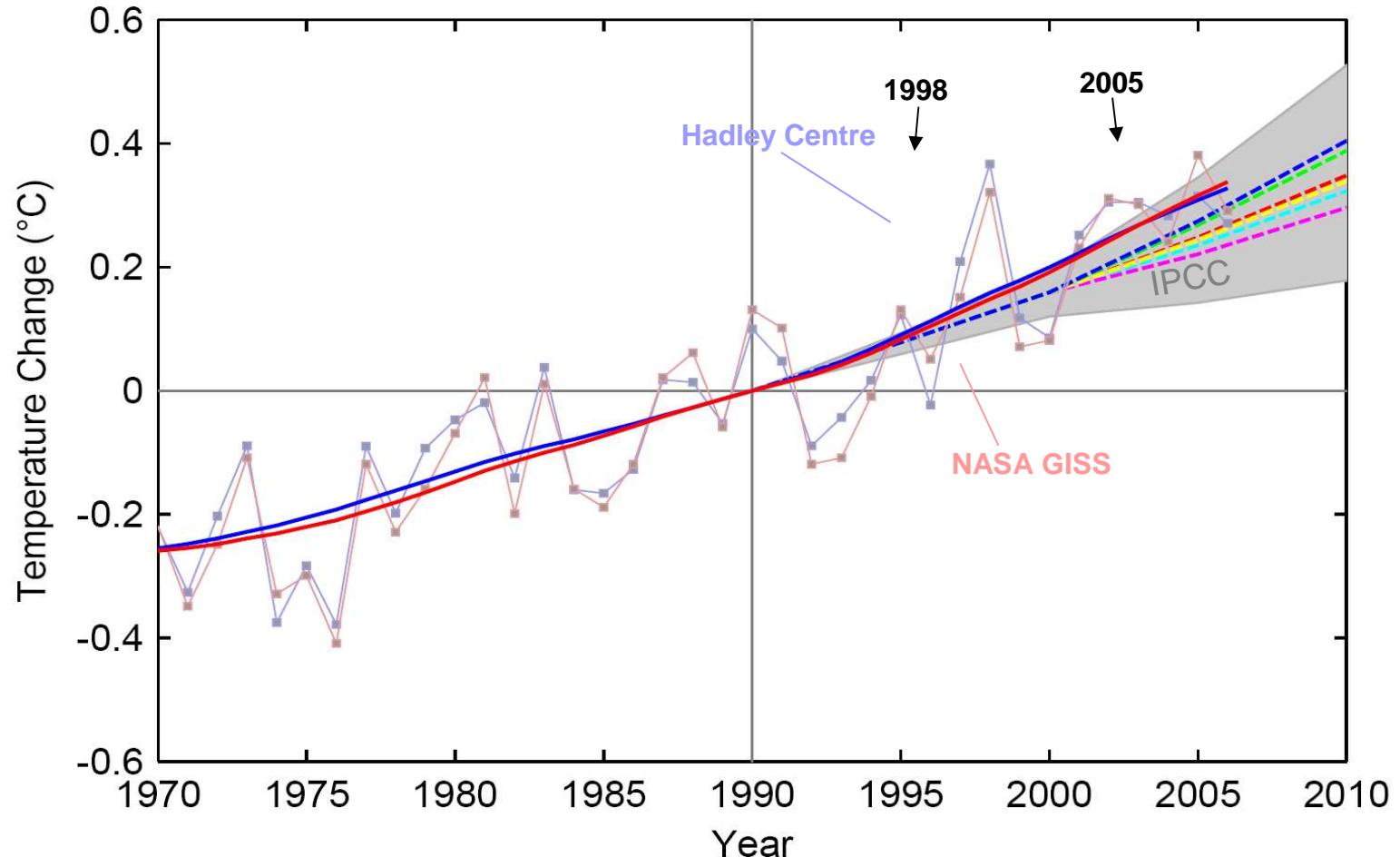


**Quo Vadis, earth climate?**

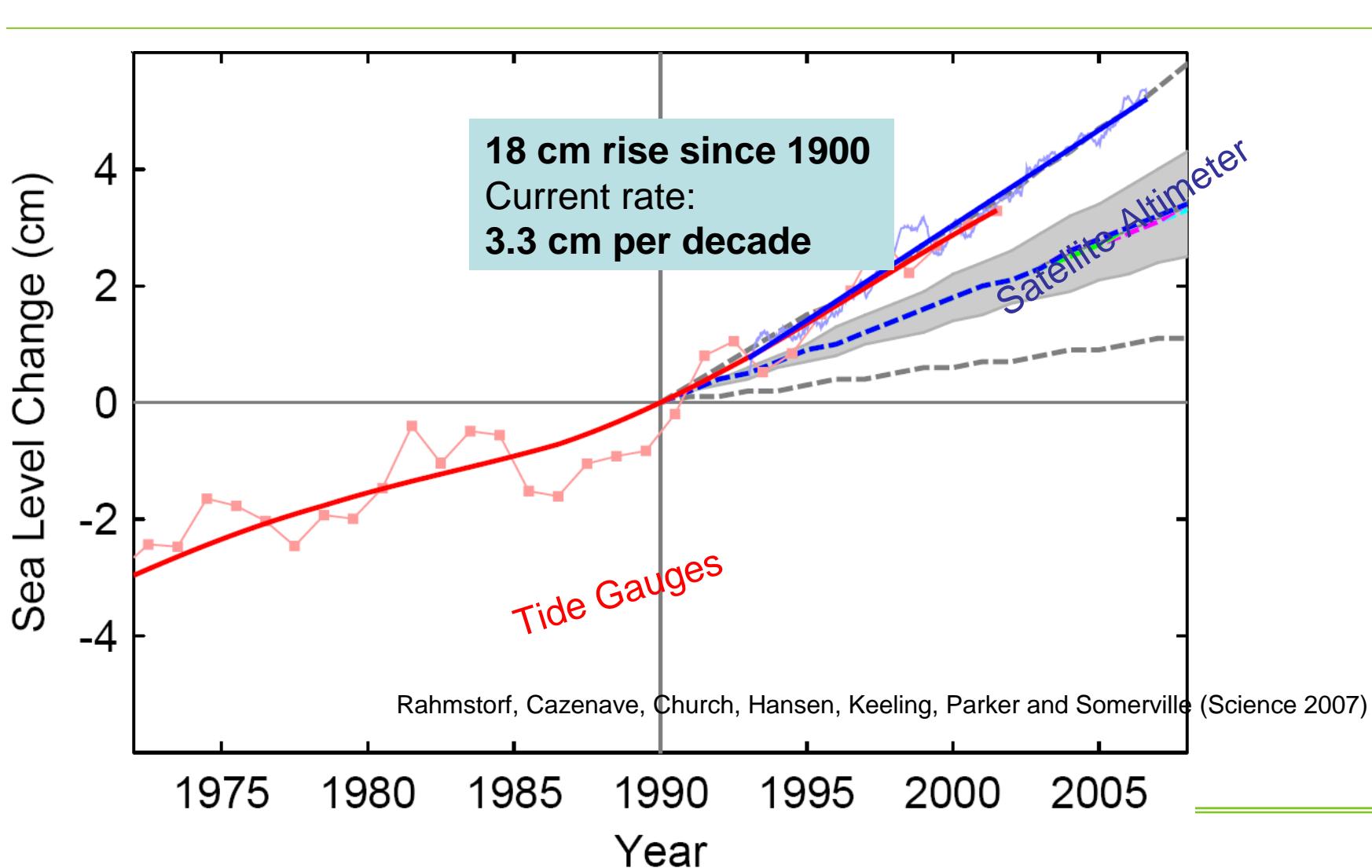
**After a million years of  
„well behaved“ oscillations  
up to the unknown**

## Observed Warming

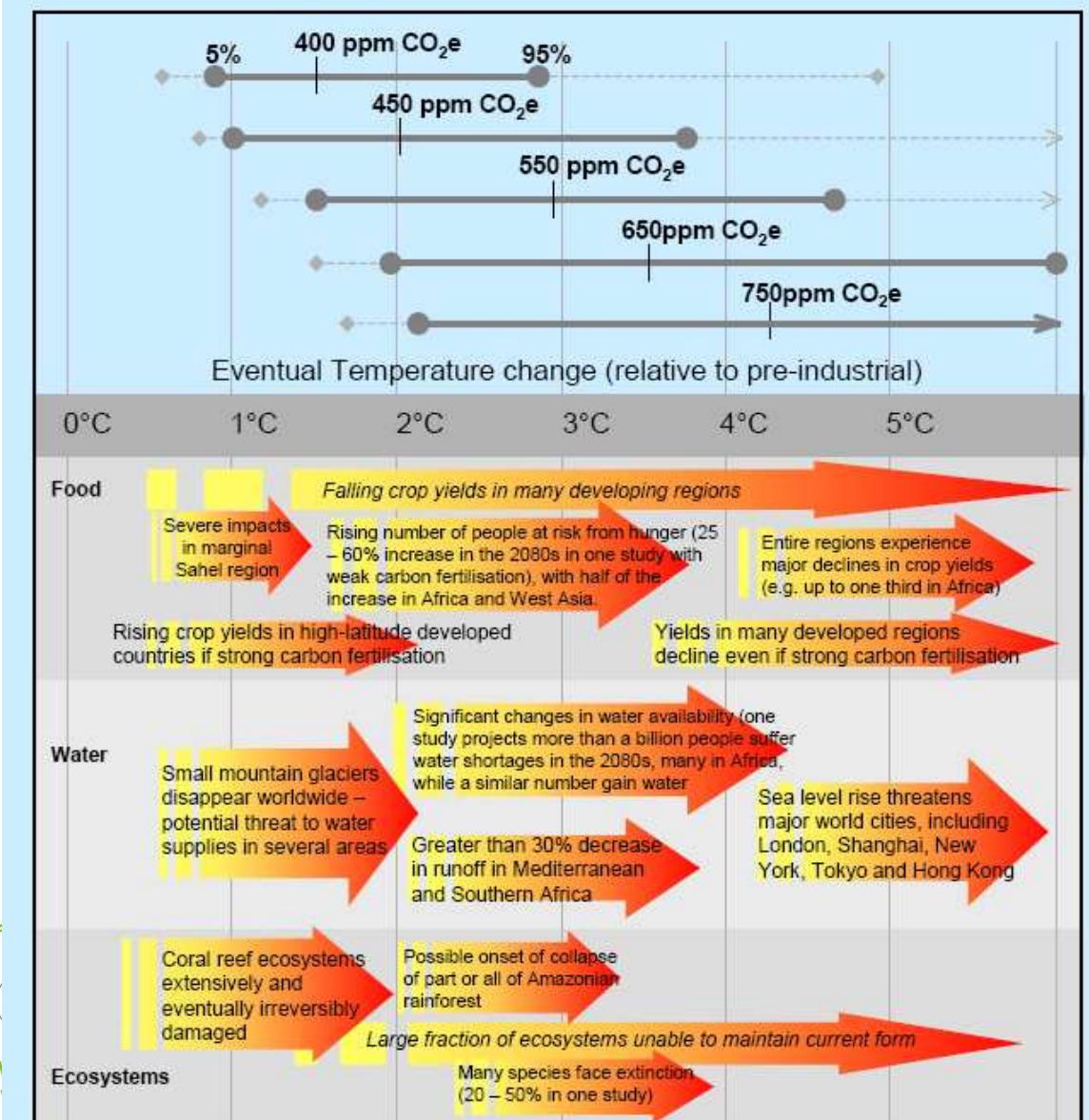
Climate  
change  
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measurements  
up to 2006



# Observed Sea Level Rise



# Worldwide Impacts of climate change

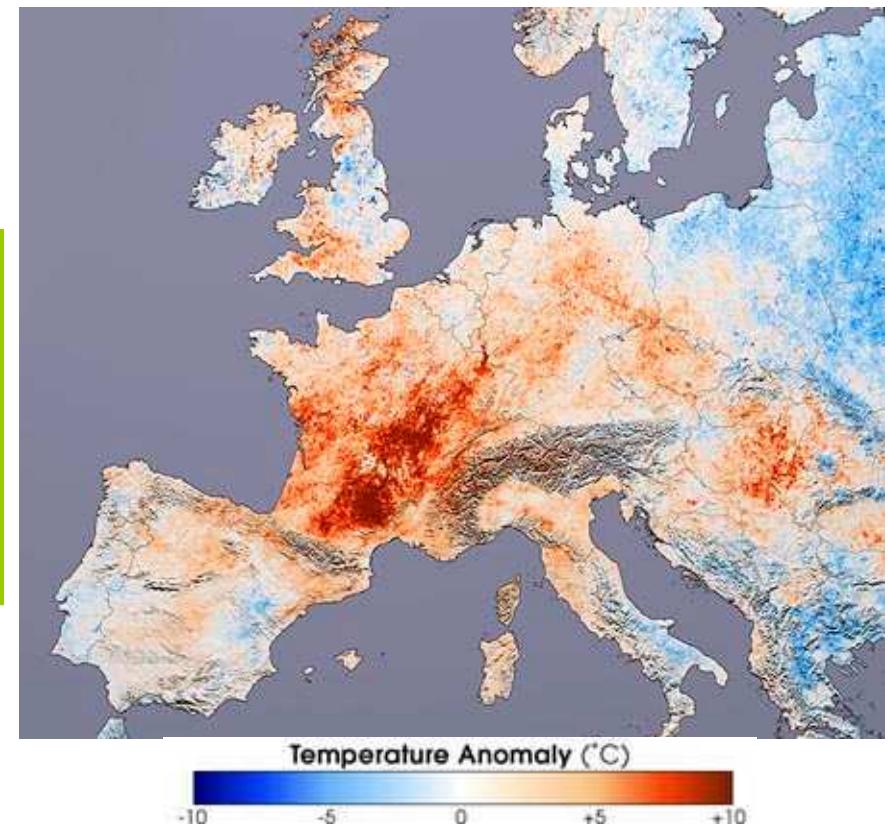


Serious impacts triggered

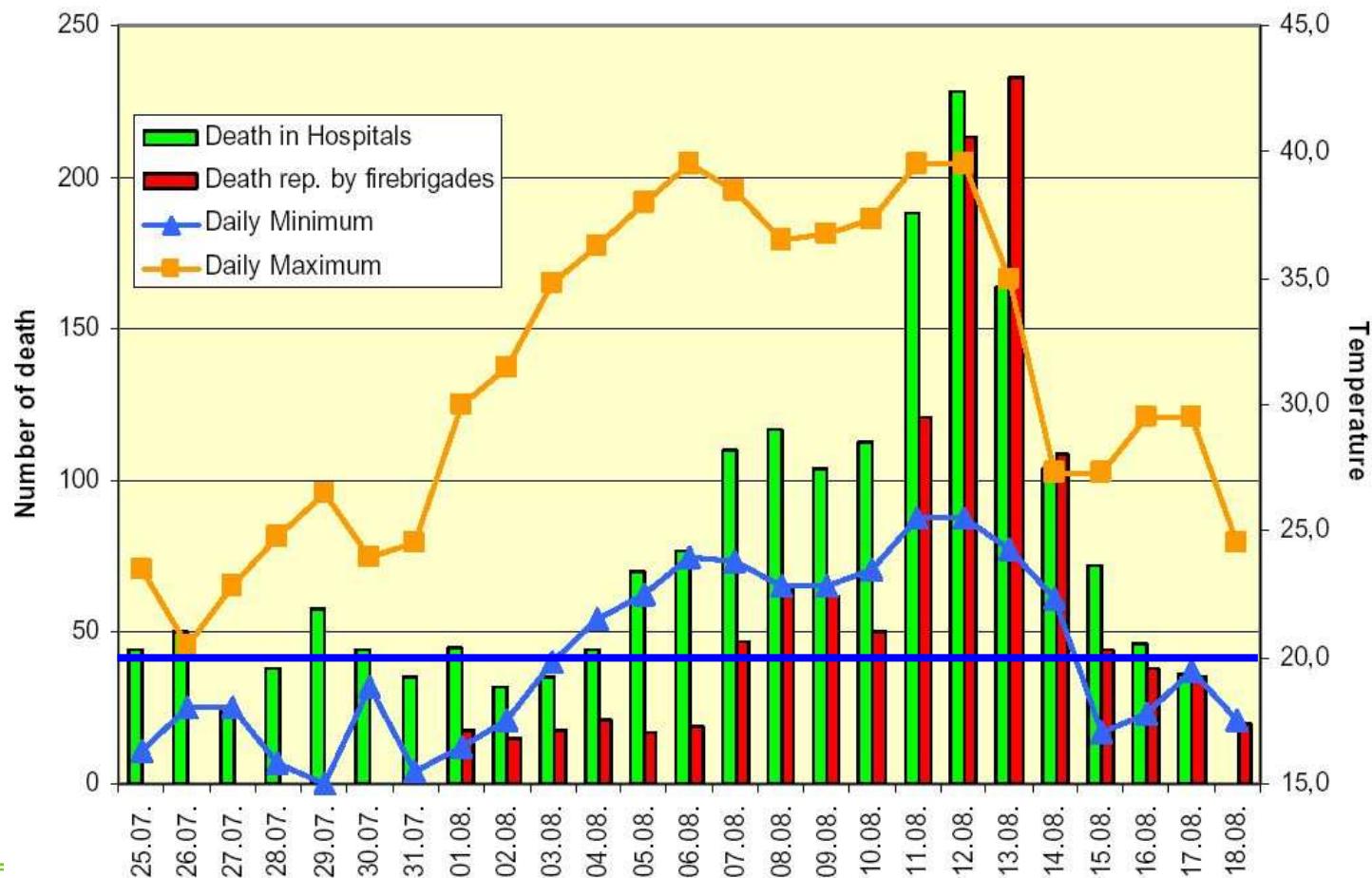
# Summer 2003 in Europe

Temperature anomaly July 2003 vs. 2001  
(source: Terra Satellit, NASA)

Extremely hot in France, while some parts of Eastern Europe were not affected

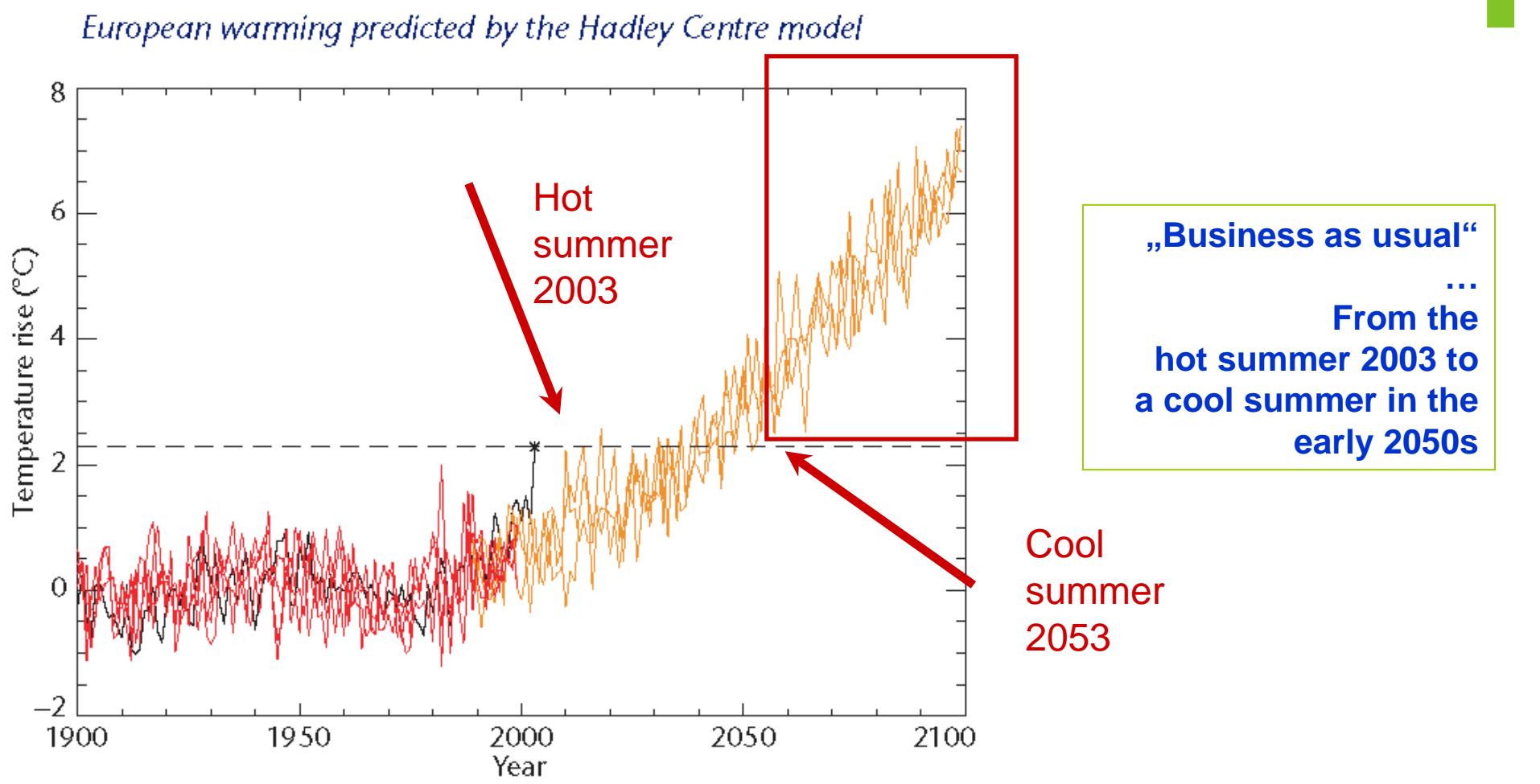


# Summer 2003 in Paris

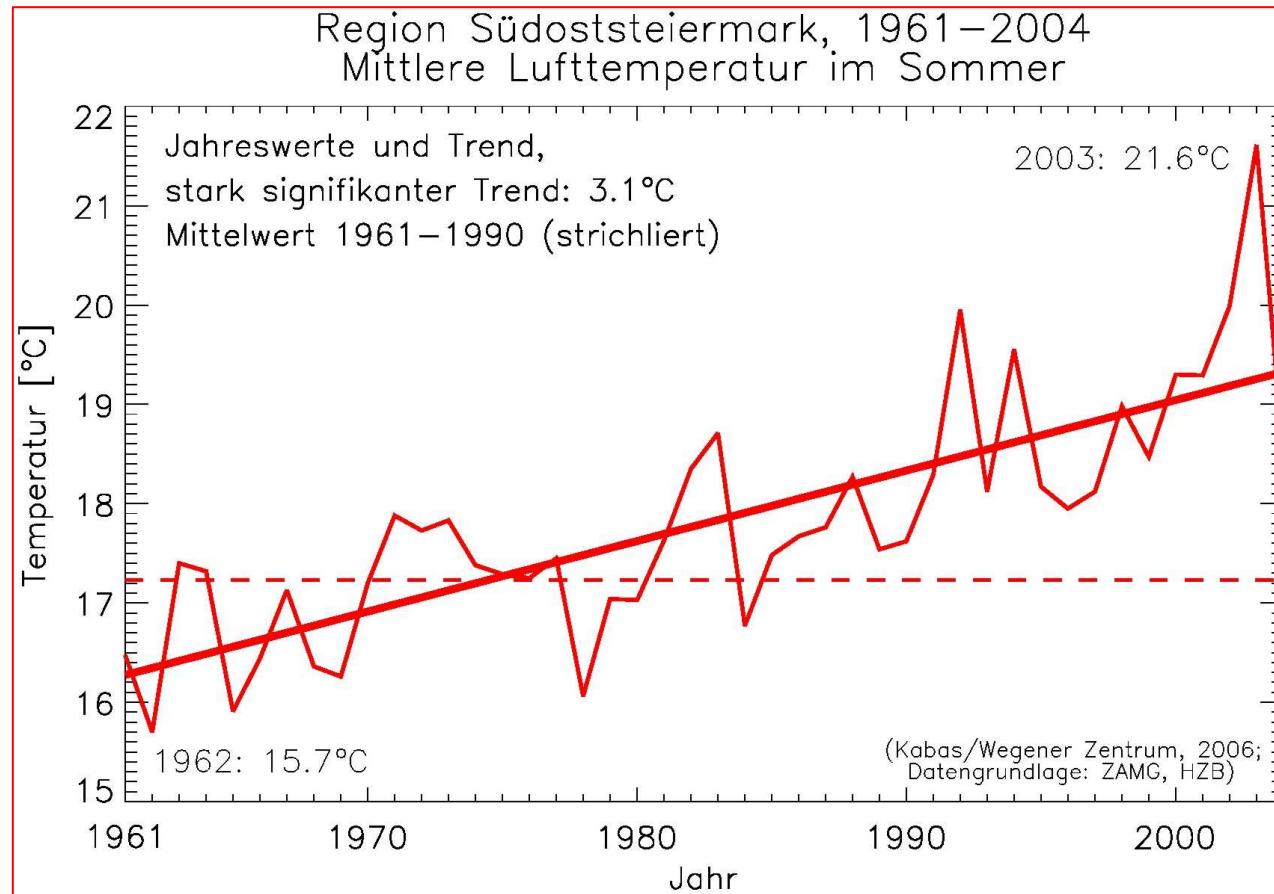


source: WHO

# Summer in Europe and extremes



## Local impacts



Local impacts will turn out significantly more pronounced

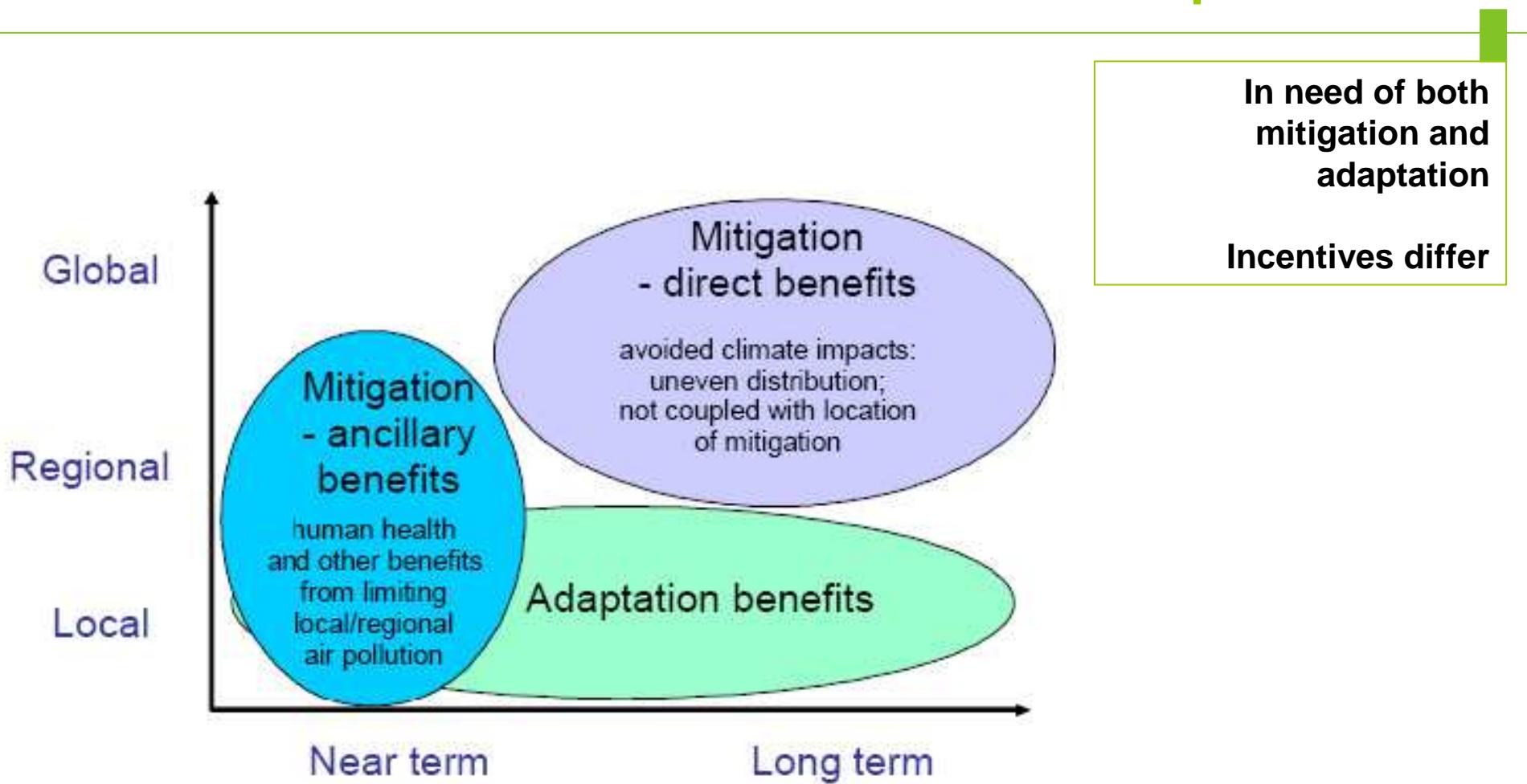
# Summer 2003: Precipitation in Graz

- Graz:  
long-term average precipitation in August: **112 mm**
- August 2003: **113 mm**  
1st to 28th: **13 mm**: 29th to 31st: **100 mm**

extreme temperatures and drought vs. Heavy precipitation



# Mitigation and adaptation: costs and benefits across time and space



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# How do climate change affect energy systems?

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IMPACTS, VULNERABILITY and ADAPTATION

MITIGATION

# How do climate change effects companies?

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- Regulatory risk – How can the company compete in a carbon-restricted world?
- Supply chain risk – How do regulations affect suppliers?
- Litigation risk – How to avoid the risk of lawsuits (similar to the tobacco industry)?
- Reputational risk – How to show that a company is a „good citizen“?

## ➤ PHYSICAL RISKS

Please note:

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**Climate is what you expect,  
weather is what you get!**

# Overview

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- Impacts on generation
- Impacts on grid
- Impacts on demand

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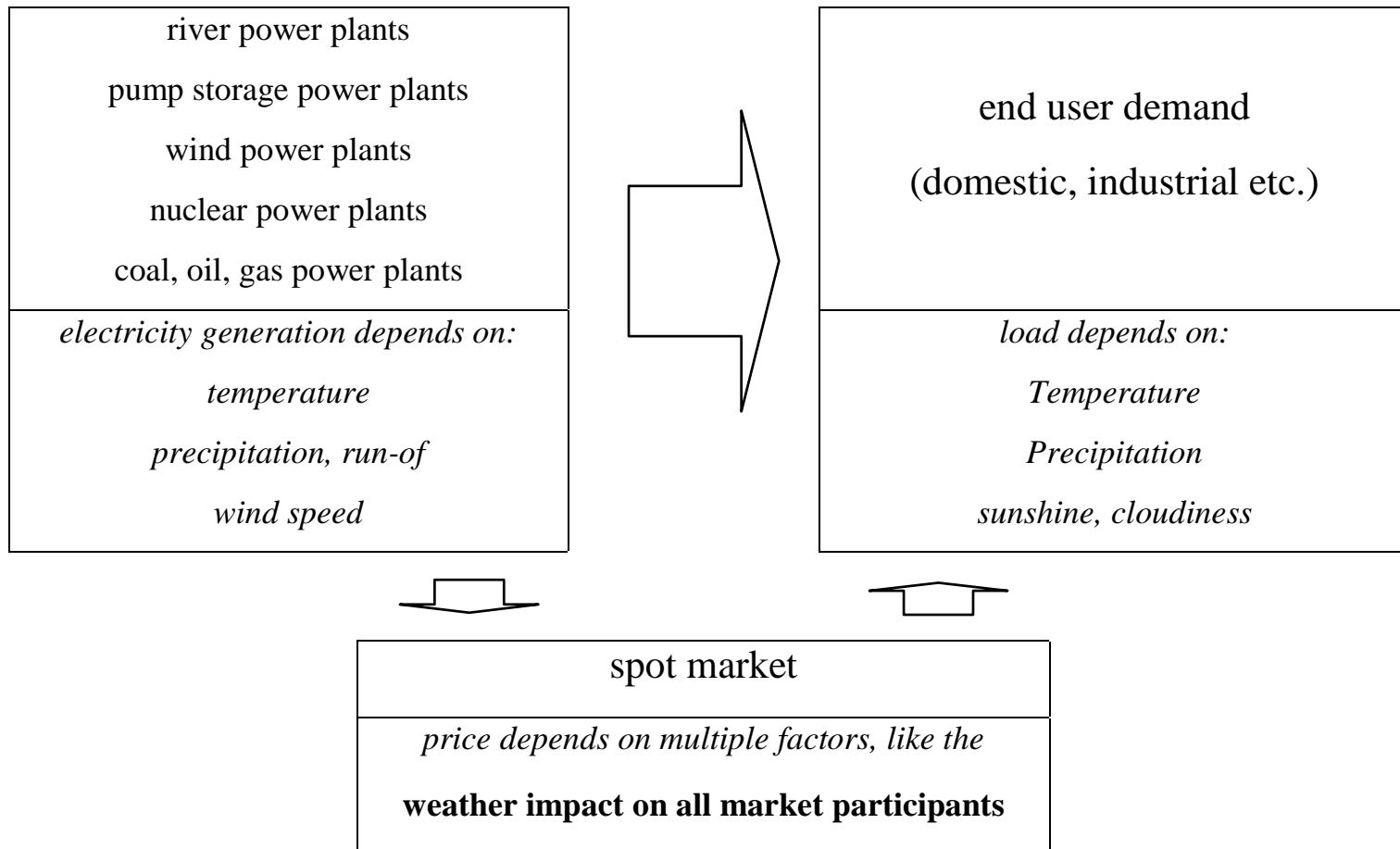
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# Weather risks for 'energy supply companies'



# Worldwide capacity and growth rate

	worldwide capacity (GW)	Ø annual growth rate 2000-2004
large hydro power	720	2 %
small hydro power	61	7 %
wind power	48	28 %
photovoltaics (grid connected)	1,8	60 %
photovoltaics (isolated operation)	2,2	17 %

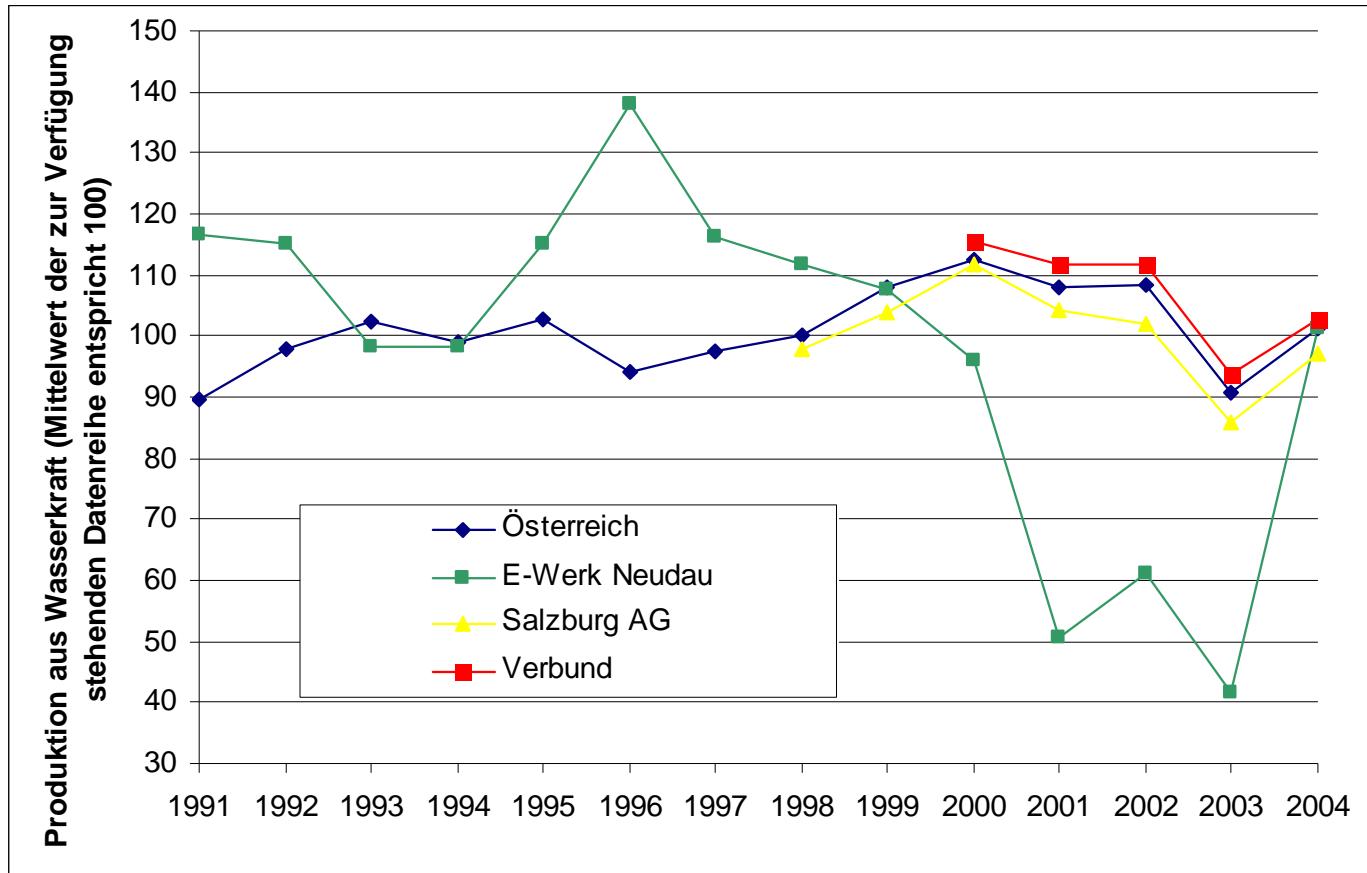
Source: REN 21 2006

EU-25 (GW)	Austria (GW)
128	12
34	0,6
< 1,3	k. A.

Source: Eurostat

# Variability of electricity supplied by renewable sources

## ► Impact on companies



# Variability of electricity supplied by renewable sources

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- Impact on CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions - Austria 2003:  
minus 3400 GWh hydro power generation (-9% compared to Ø)  
plus 2,67 million tons CO<sub>2</sub>-emissions from heat and power generation – public utilities  
(+ 38 %! compared to 2002)
  
  - Impact on earnings – Verbund 2003  
*„low hydro power production reduced operating result by 47 million Euros“*
- Net effect: 2002-2003 operating result: minus 9 million Euros  
group result: + 20% (mainly because of higher spot market prices)

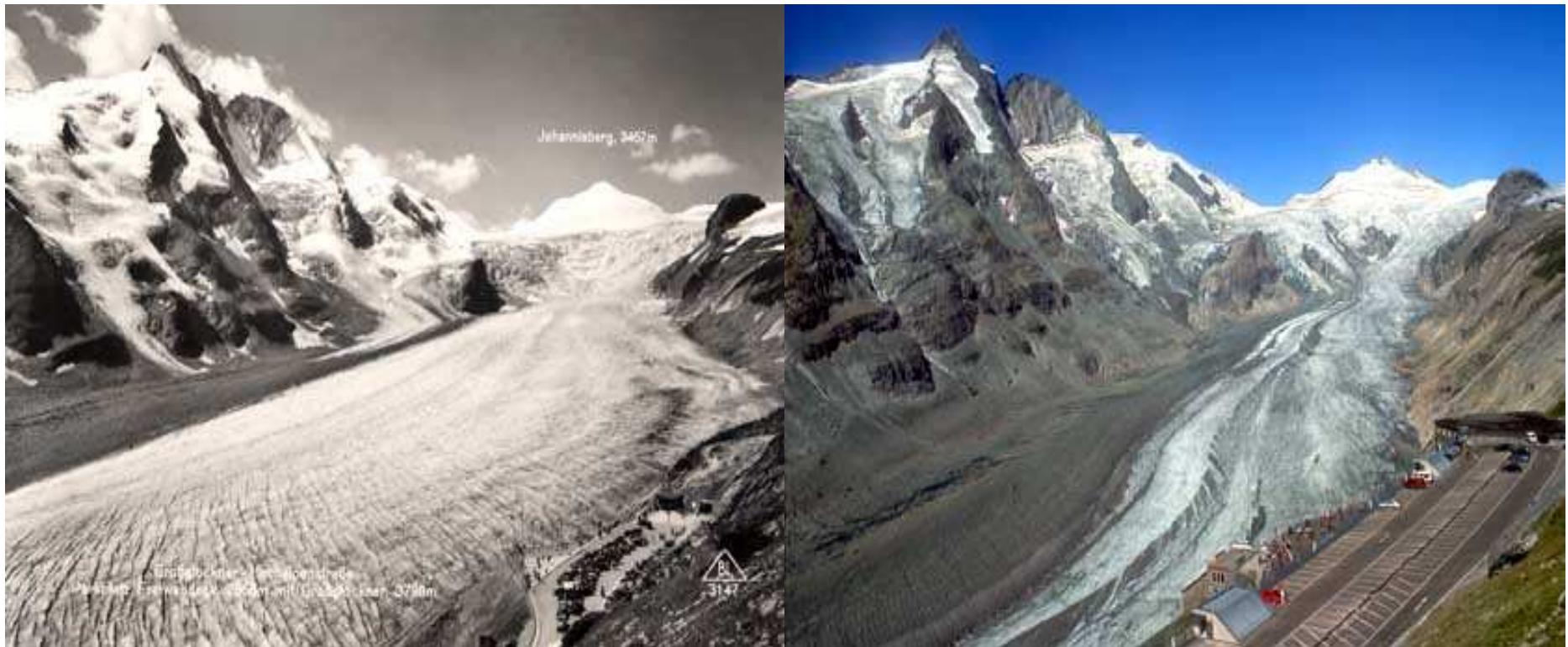
# Climate and Hydro power plants

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- Flooding: Impacts on Hydro power plants
- Flooding: Hydro power for adaptation
- Increasing risk of land slides
- Changes in siltation
- Changes in seasonal run-off patterns

*Source: ProClim 2003*

# Melting Glaciers in Austria

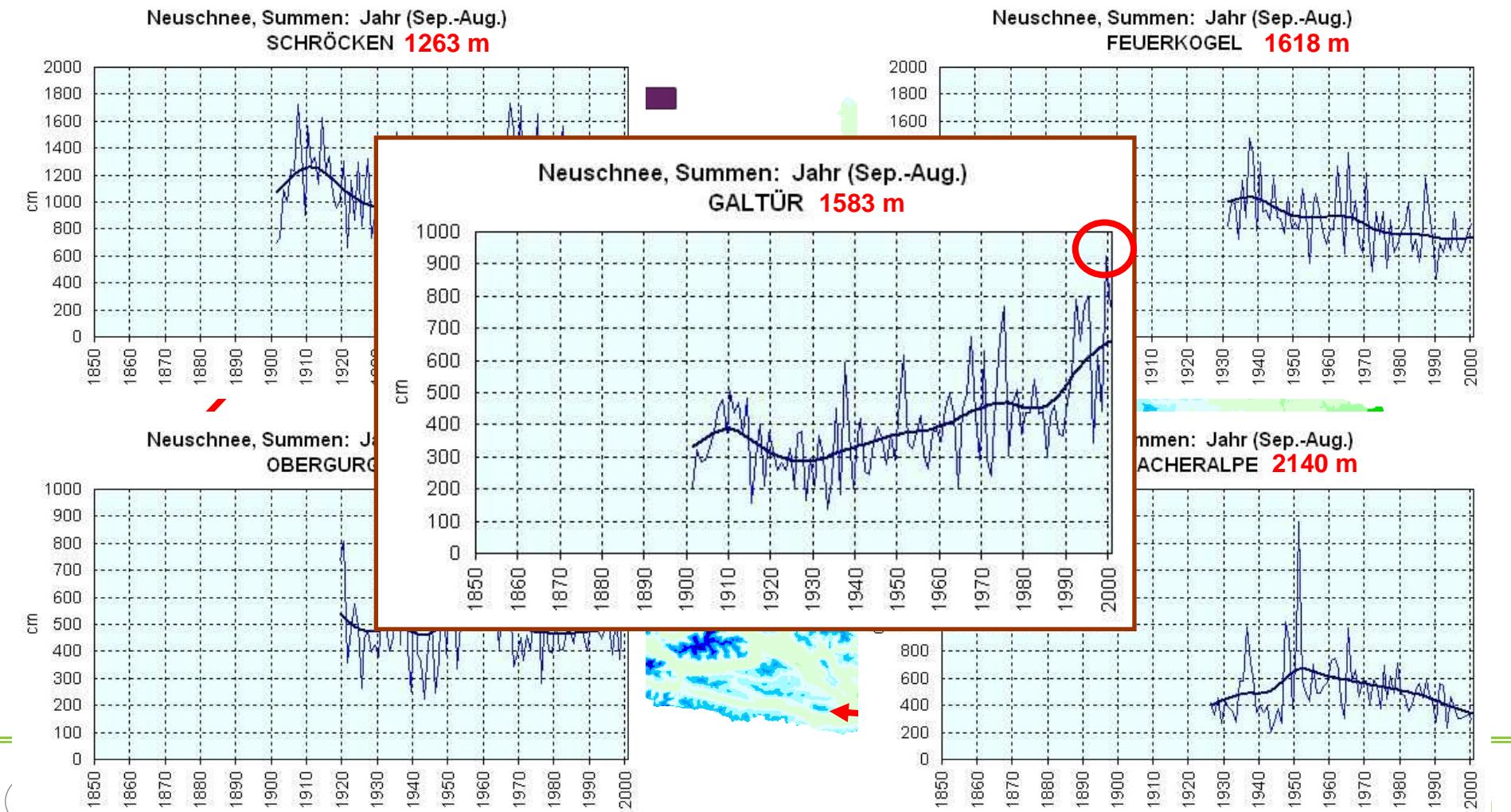


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Pasterze, longest glacier in the Eastern Alps

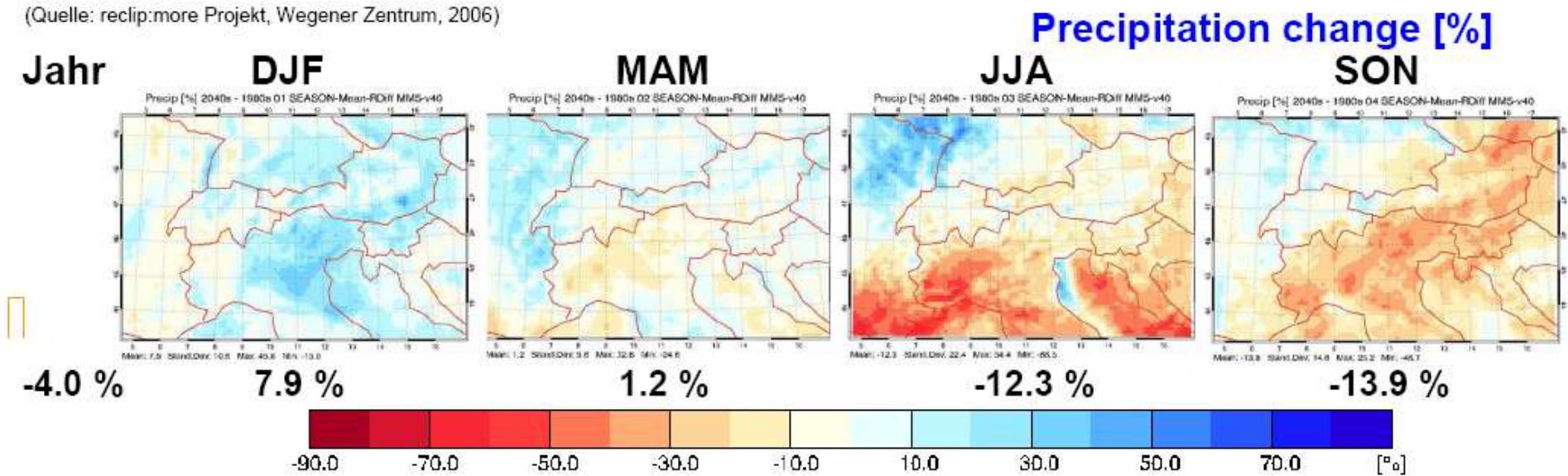
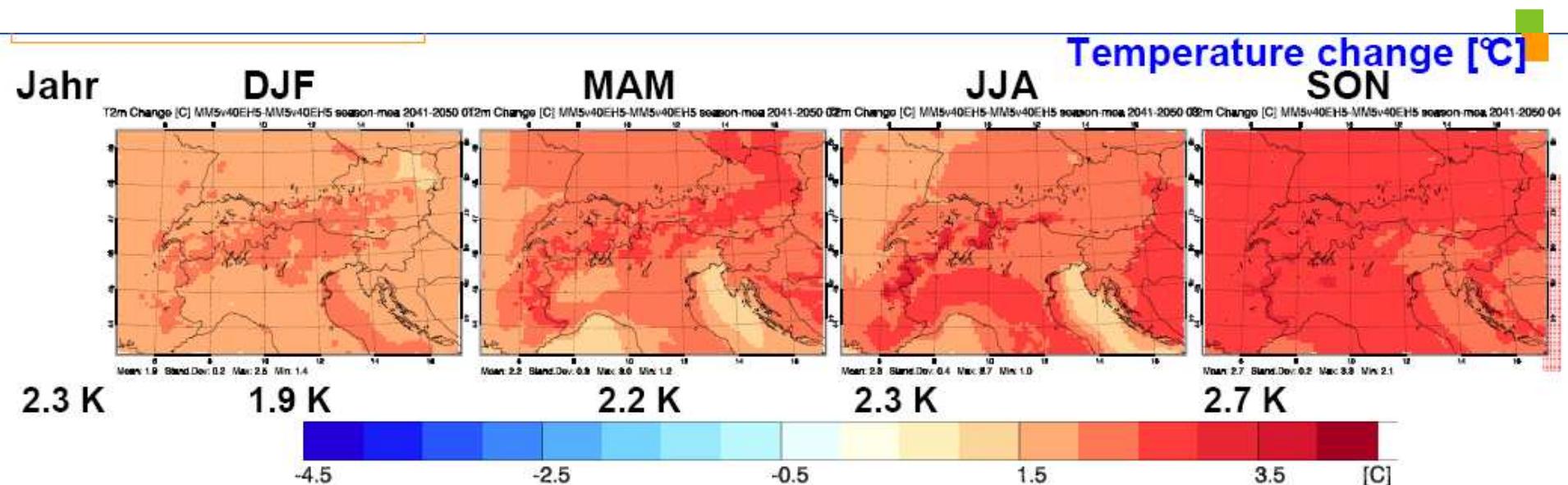
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# Changes in snow fall patterns

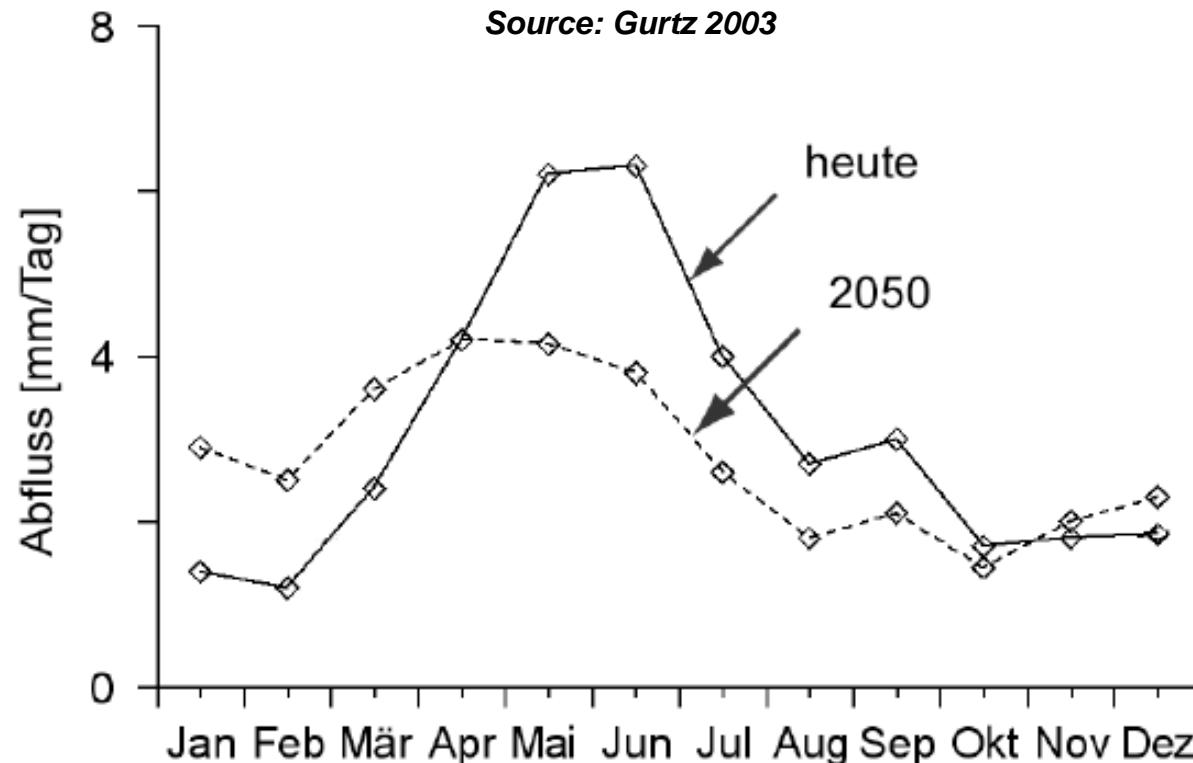


Stations above 1000 m, source: ZAMG

# Temperature and precipitation change 1980s to 2040s: (10 km x 10 km resolution)

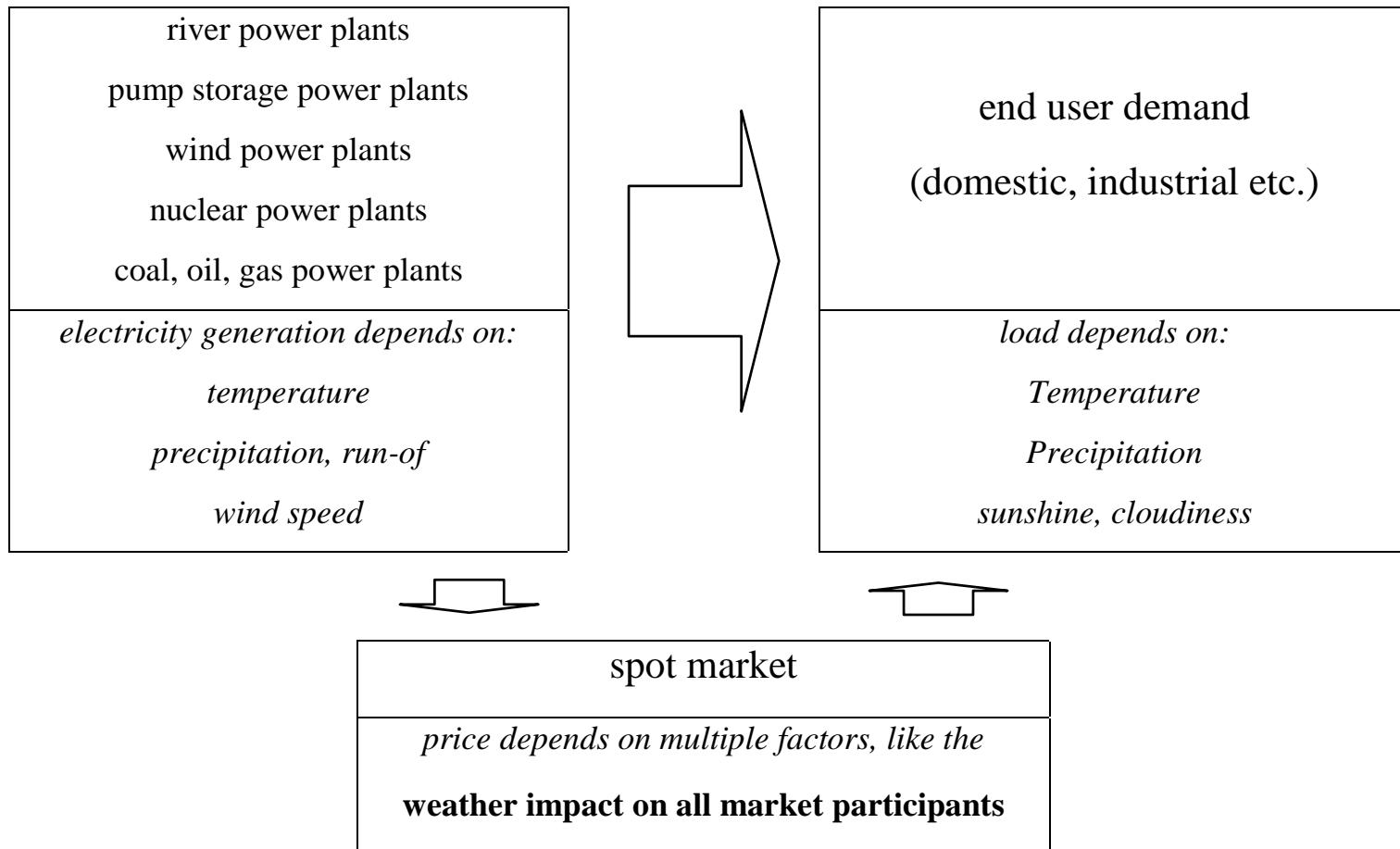


# Expected Changes for Stein/Thur (CH)

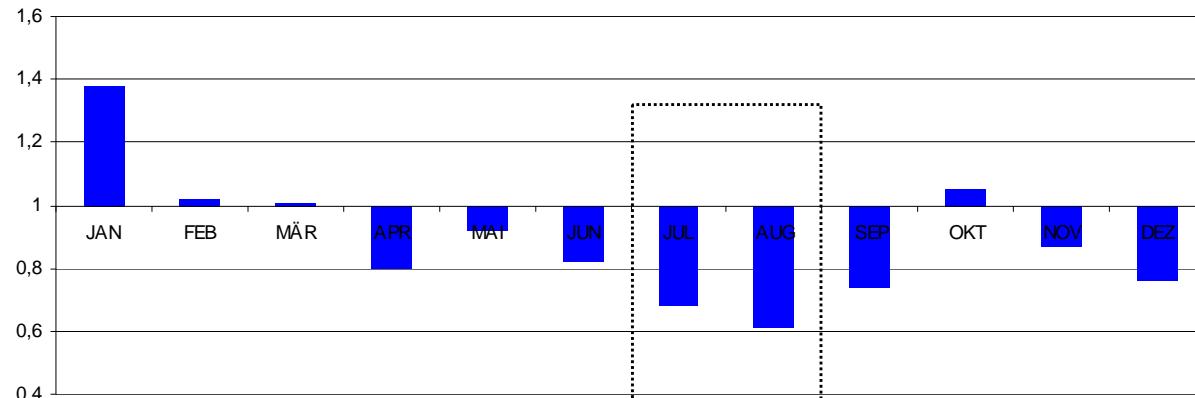


***Mean monthly run off – NEED TO CONSIDER ALSO EXTREME EVENTS!***

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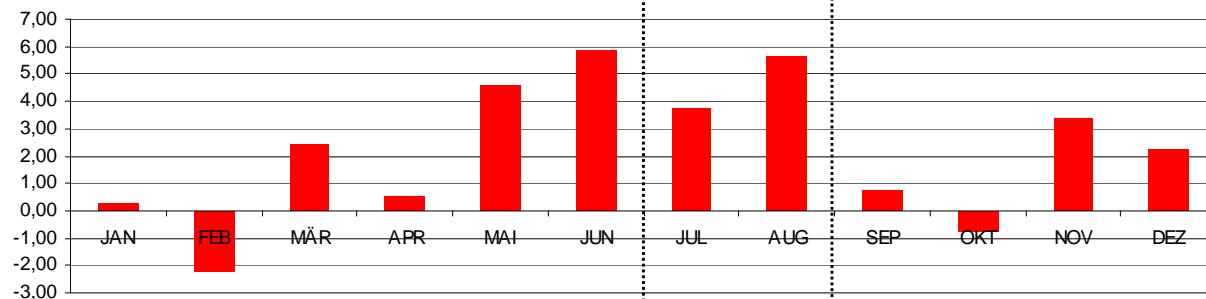


Erzeugungskoeffizienten der Laufkraftwerke in Österreich 2003 (Quelle: E-Control)

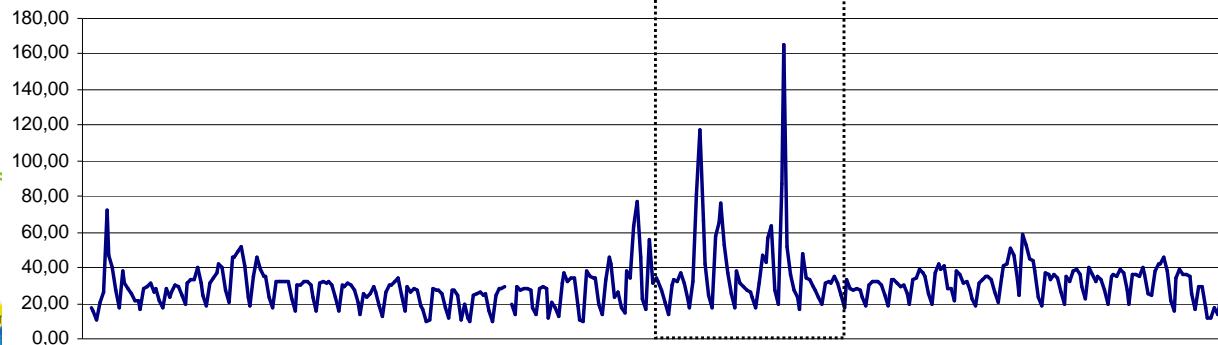


► The Austrian –  
Mid-european  
example

Abweichung der Monatsmitteltemperaturen 2003 vom klimatologischen Mittelwert 1961-1990 für die Station Graz-Flughafen (Quelle: ZAMG, Eigene Berechnungen)



EXAA Base Load Spotpreise 2003 in Euro (Quelle: EXAA 2006)



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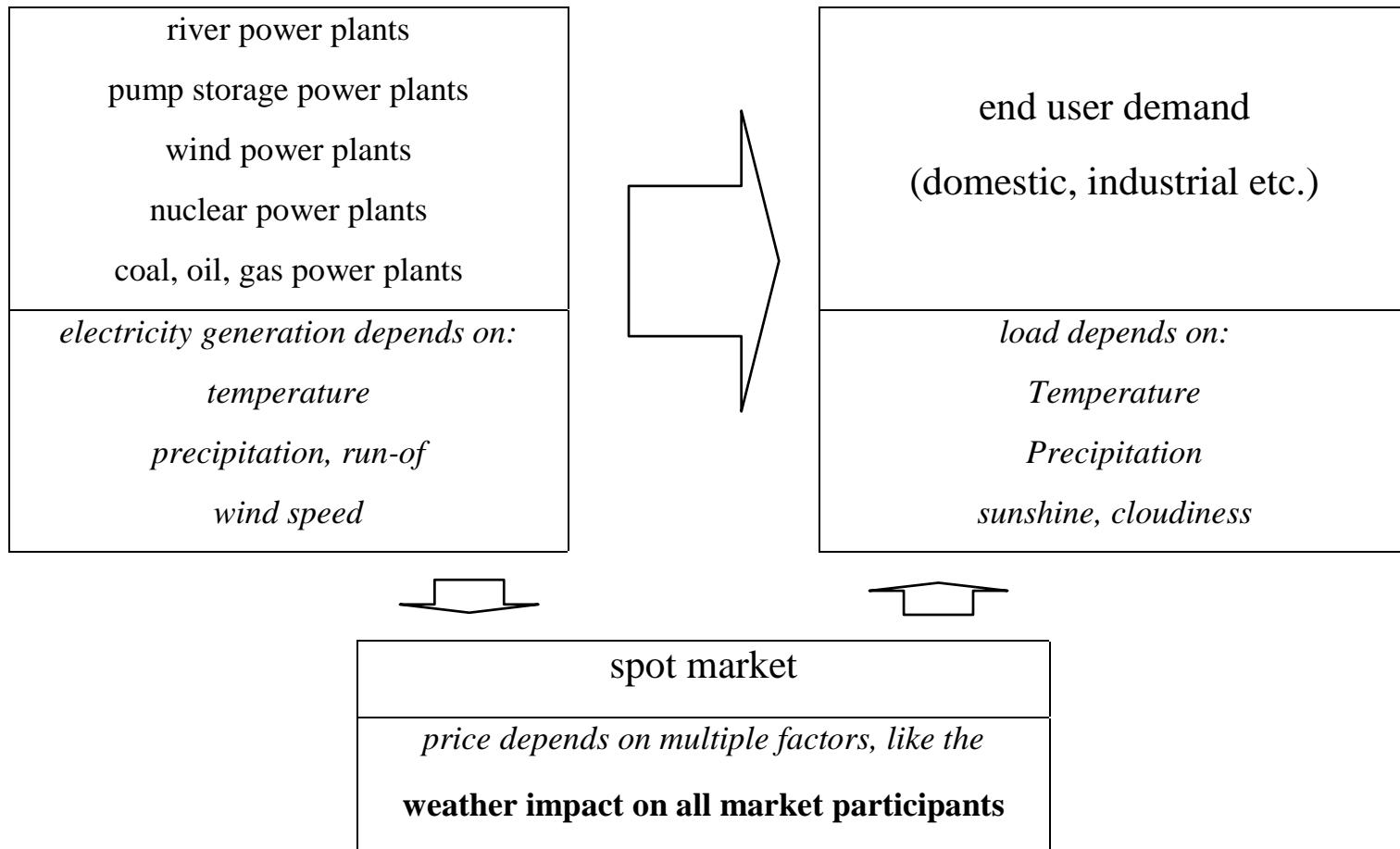


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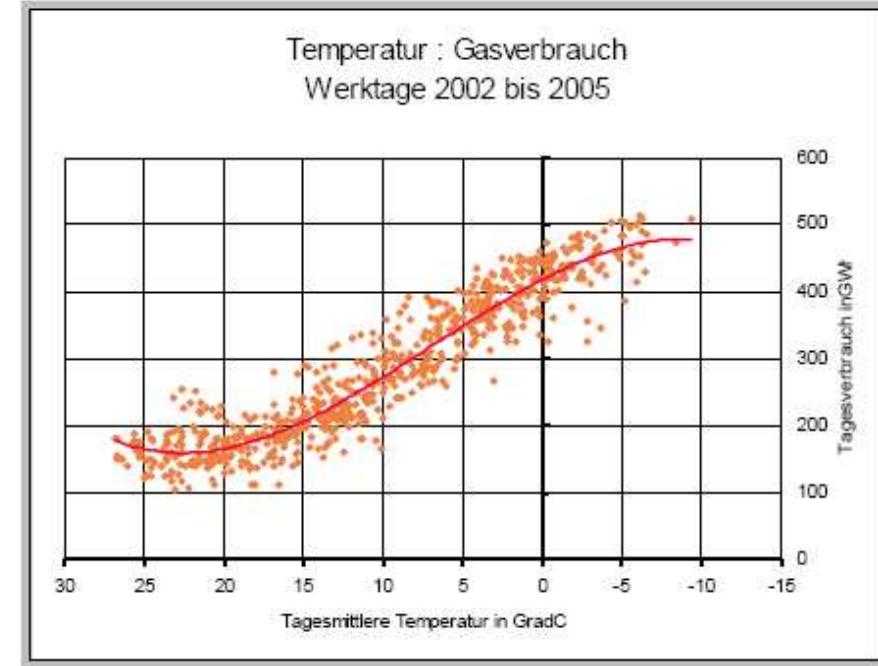
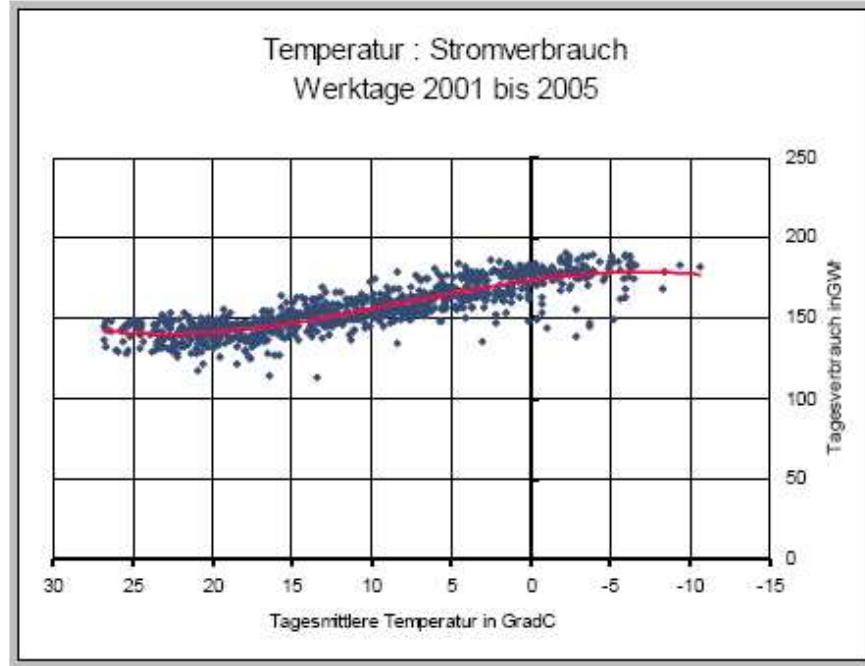
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# Temperature impact on electricity load and natural gas demand (in Austria)



*Function seems to be similar for heating oil demand*

# Temperature impact on electricity load (in Spain)

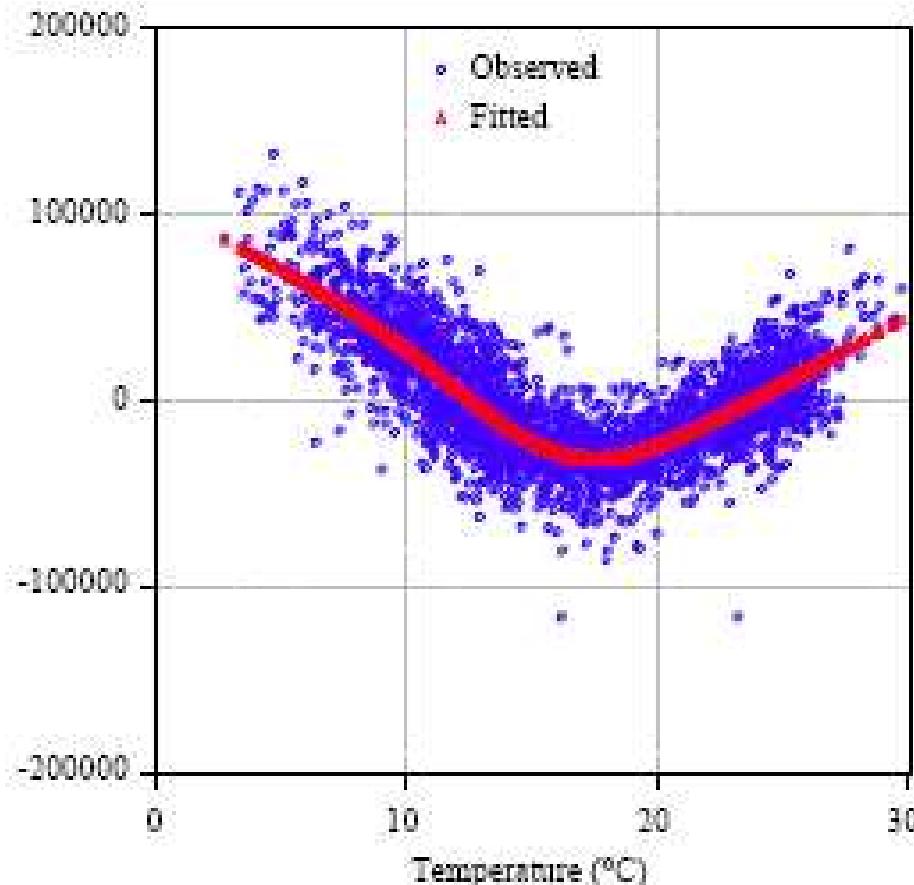


Fig. 6. Electricity response observed and fitted.

# Heating and cooling degree days

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## Heating degree days (HDD)

- ,American Definition':

$$HDD(T_1, T_2) = \sum_{t=T_1}^{T_2} (18,3 - \theta_t)$$

for days where:  $\theta_t \leq 18,3$

- ÖNORM 8135-Definition:

$$HGT(T_1, T_2) = \sum_{t=T_1}^{T_2} (20 - \theta_t)$$

for days where:  $\theta_t \leq 12$

## Cooling Degree Days (CDD)

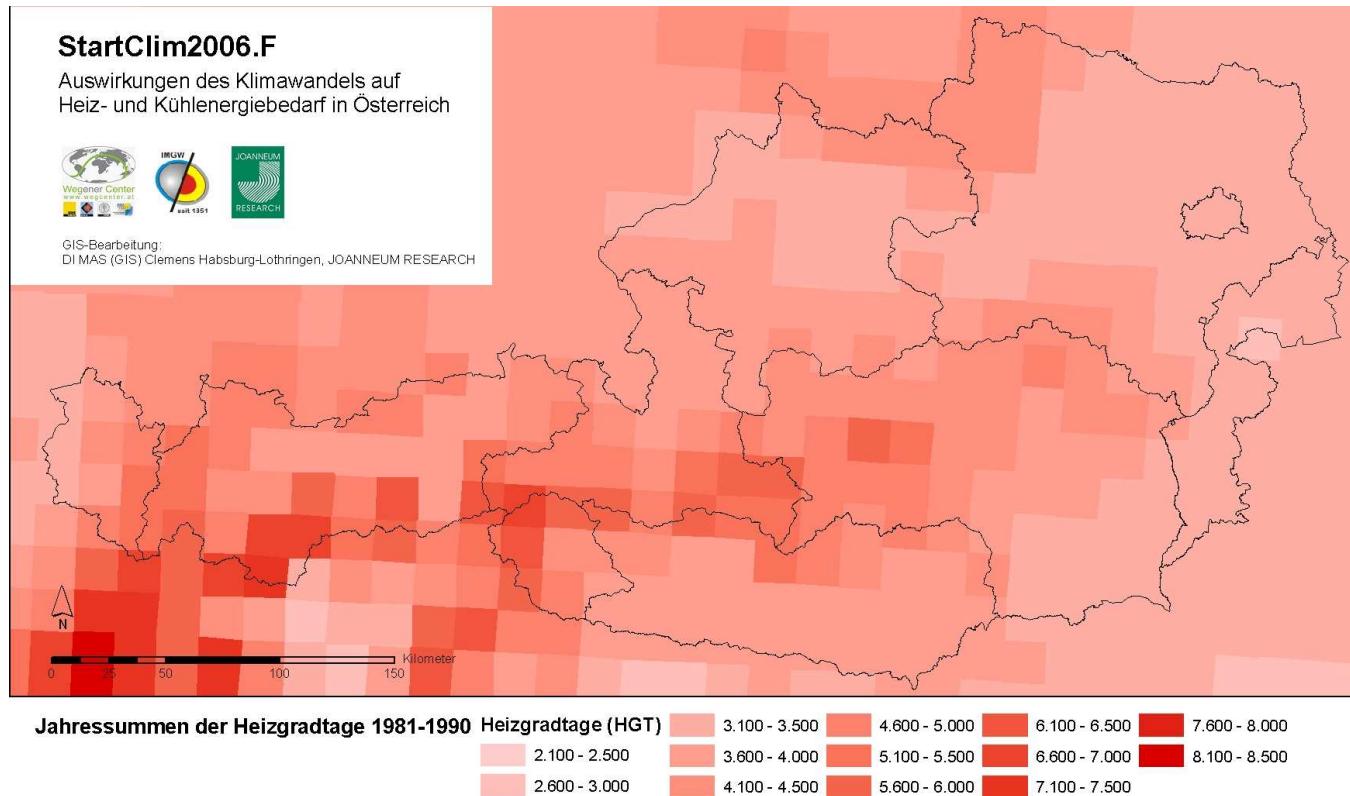
- ,American Definition':

$$CDD(T_1, T_2) = \sum_{t=T_1}^{T_2} (\theta_t - 18,3)$$

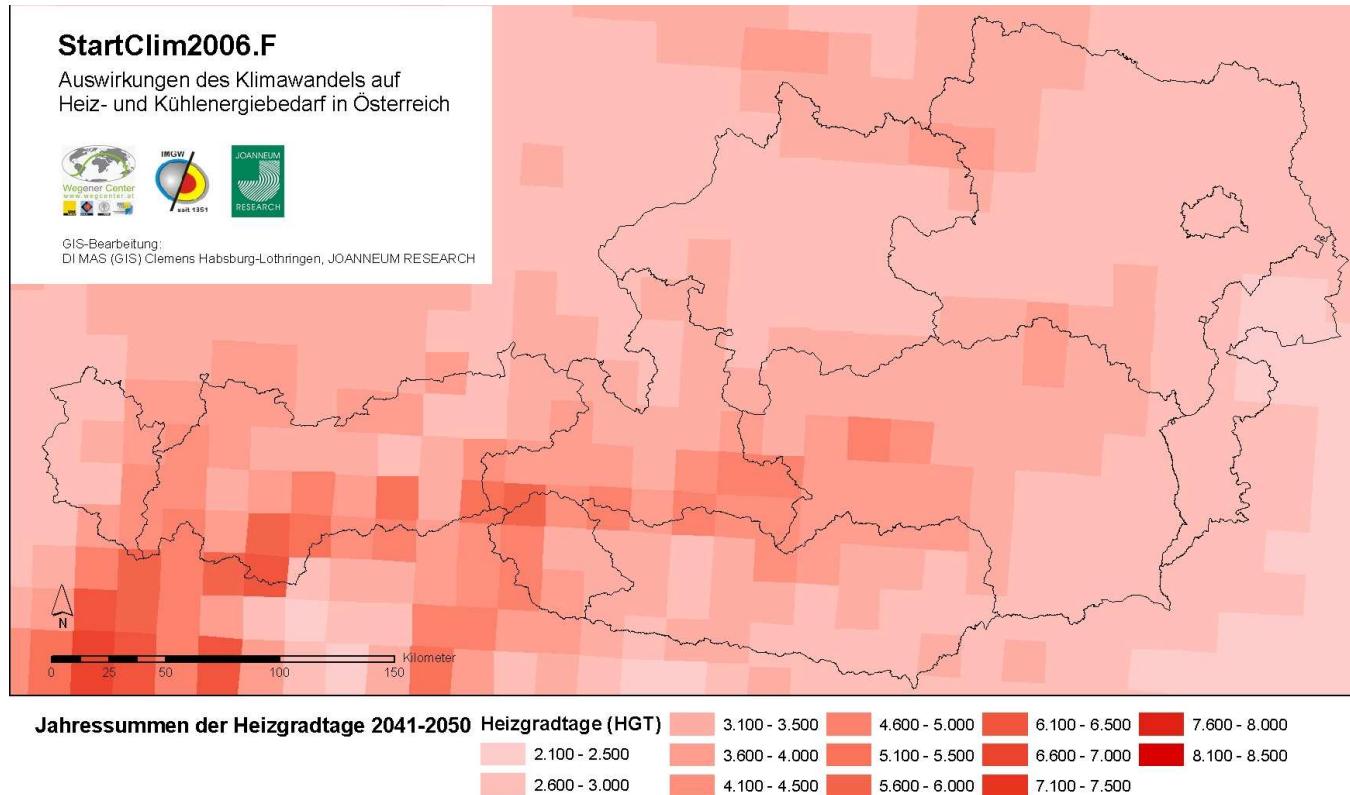
for days where:  $\theta_t \geq 18,3$

- The higher the threshold value, the higher the interannual variations

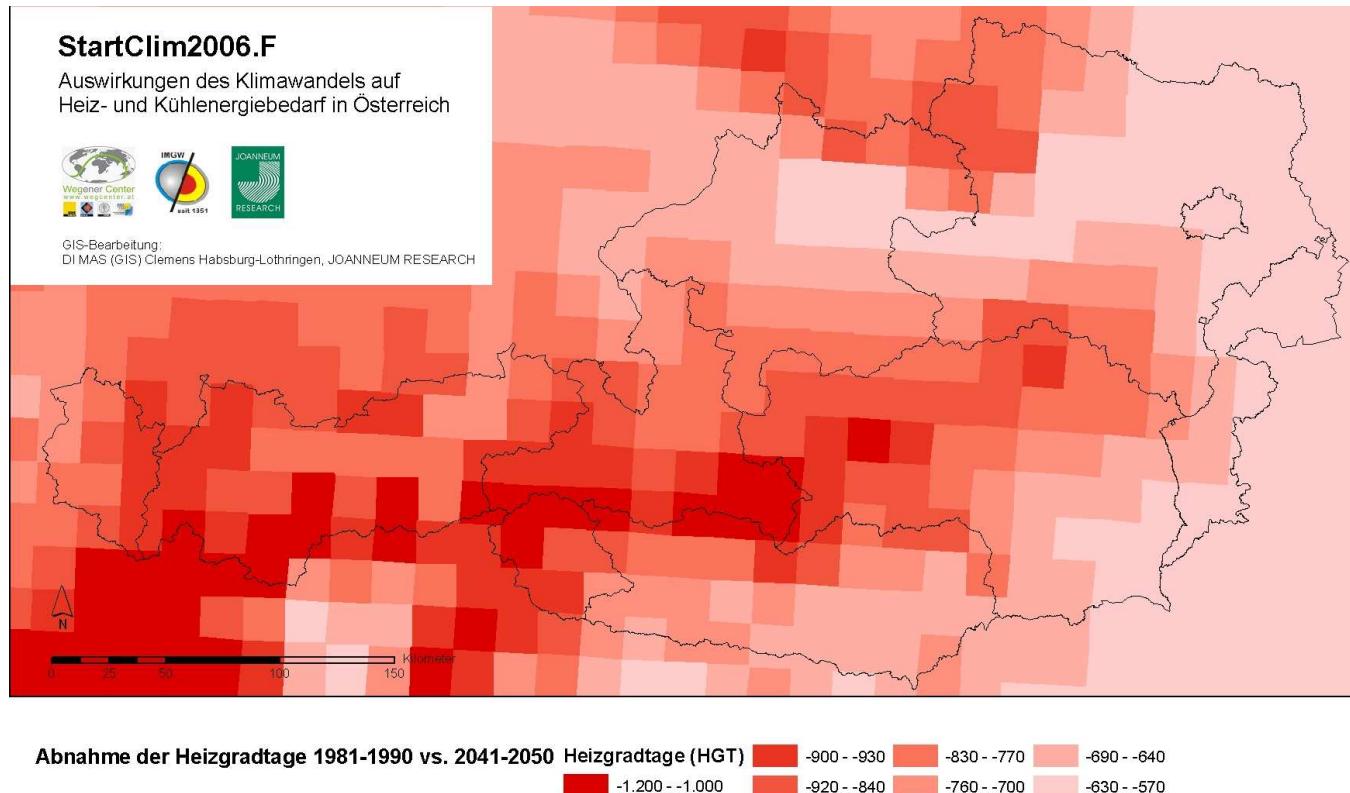
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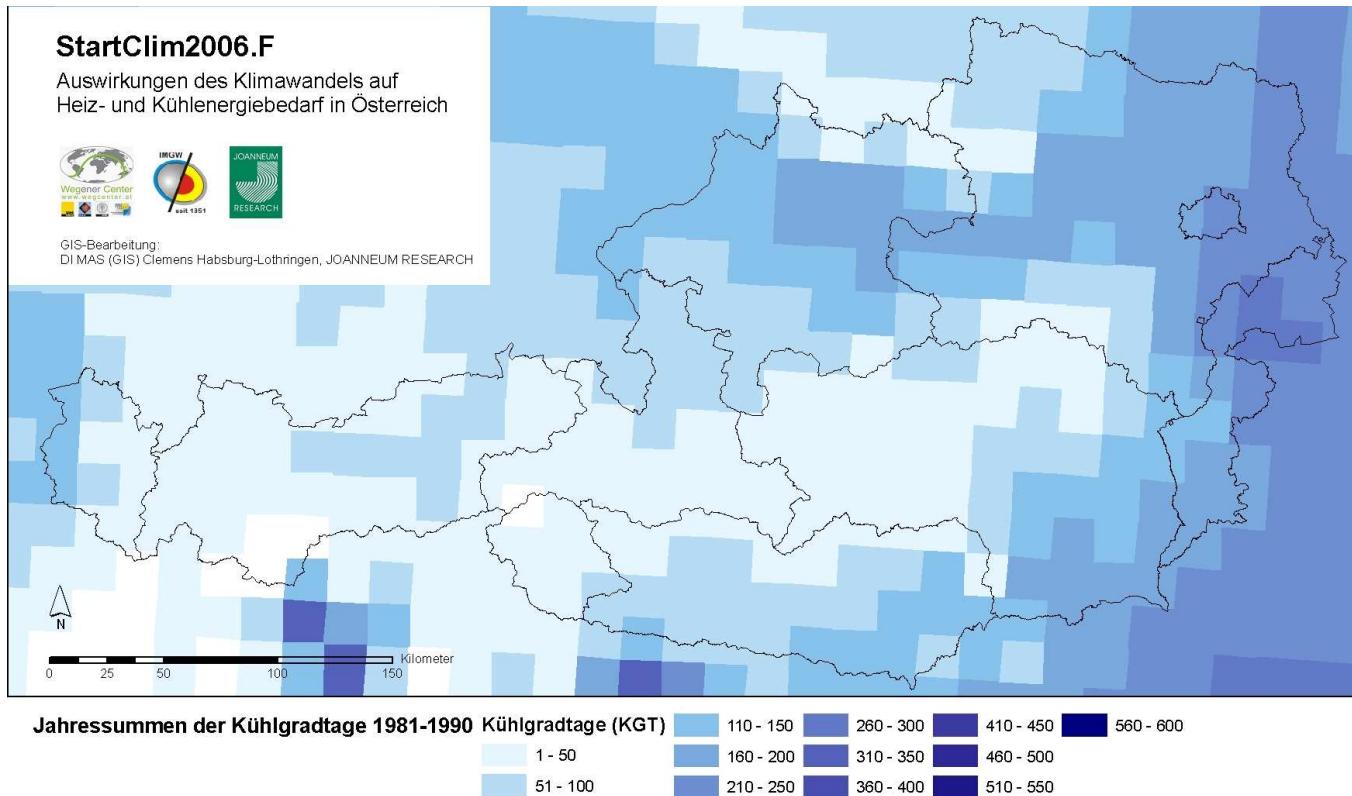
# Heating degree days 2041-2050



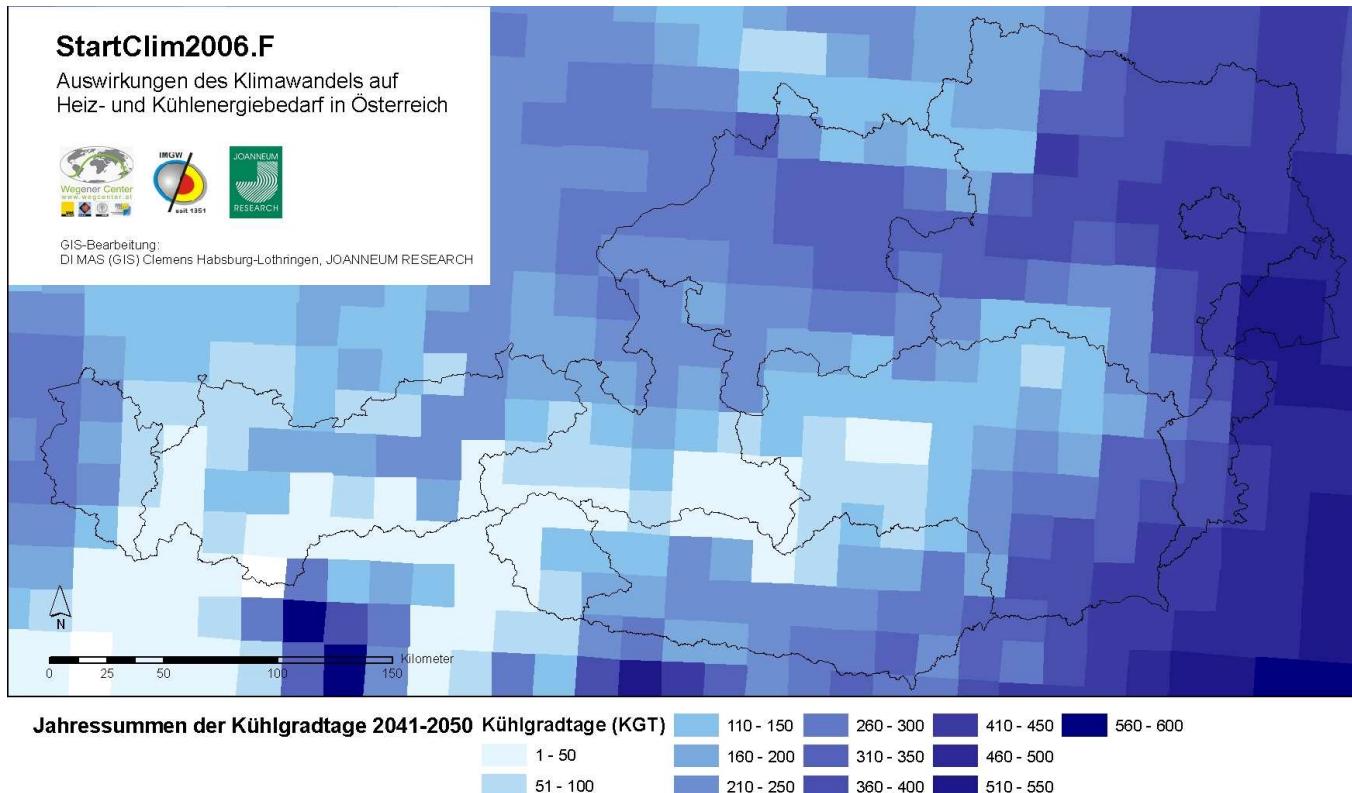
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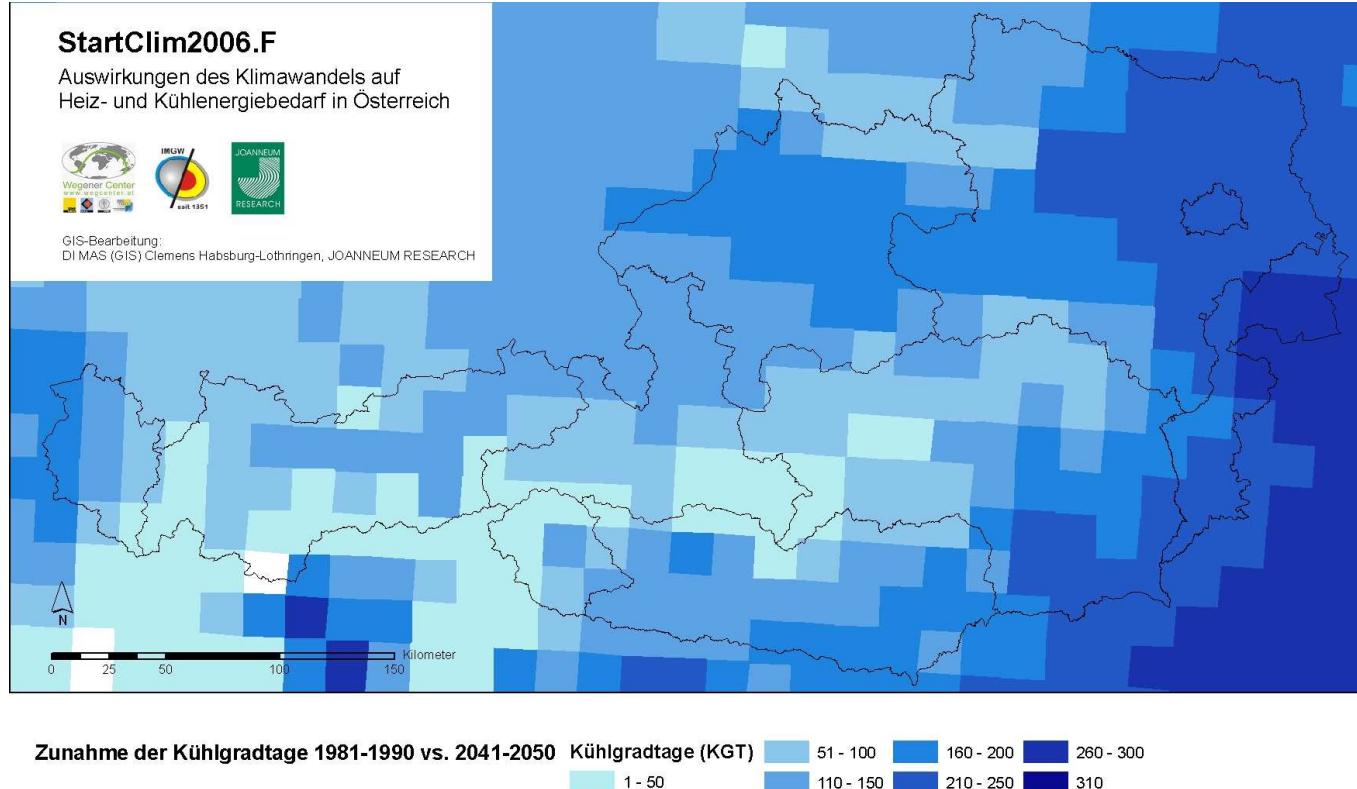
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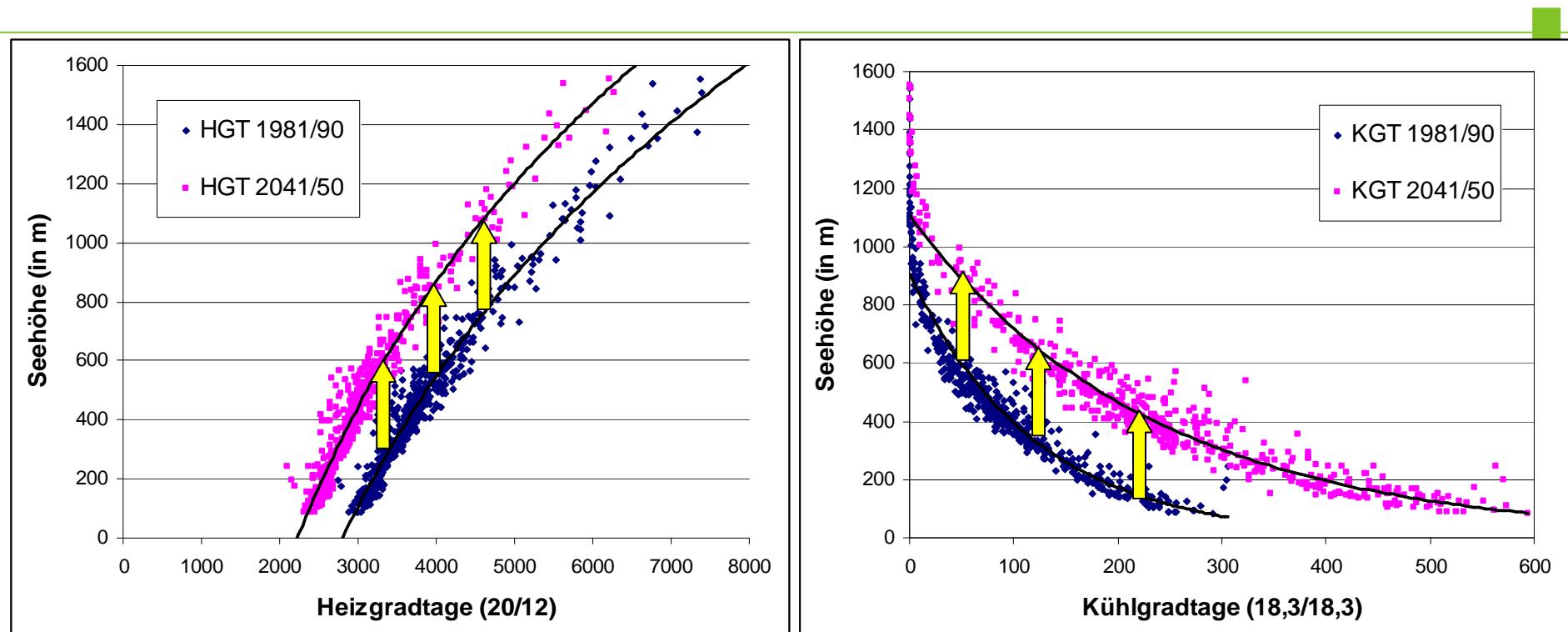
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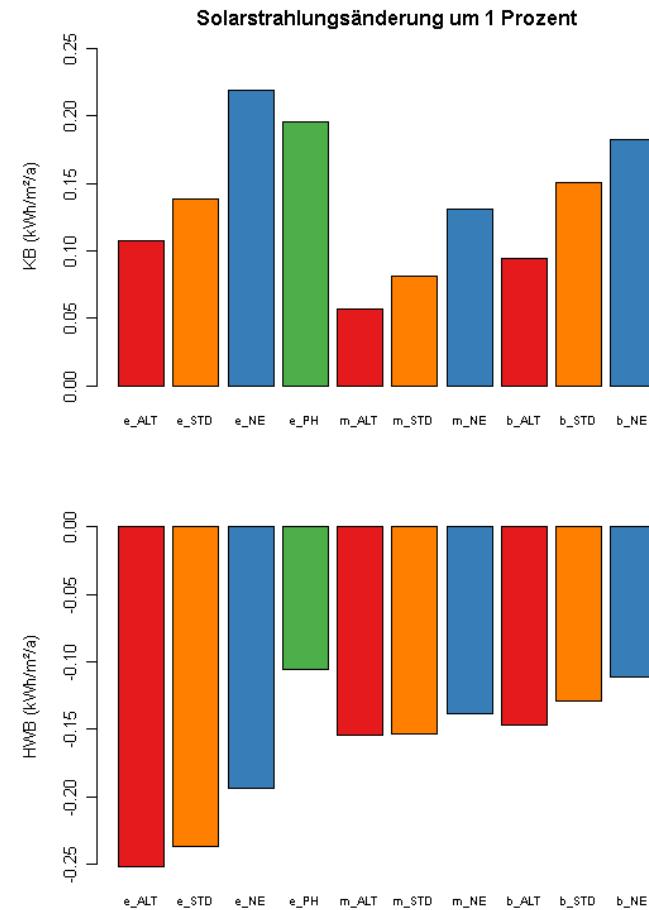
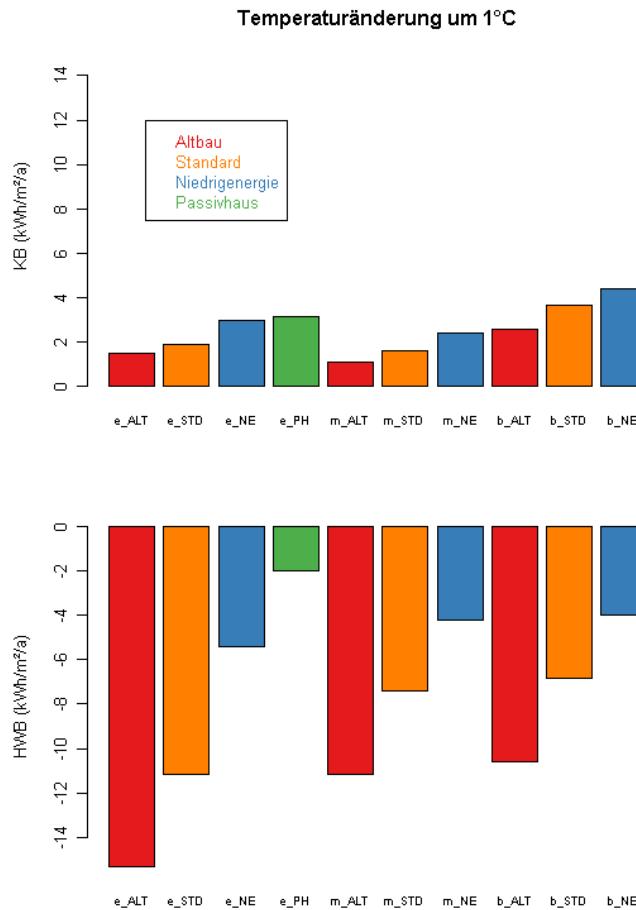


# Sea level



- ▶ HDD and CDD will rise approximately 300 meter
- ▶ More than half of the Austrians live below 400 m

# How sensitive are buildings?



# Residential and commercial AC markets

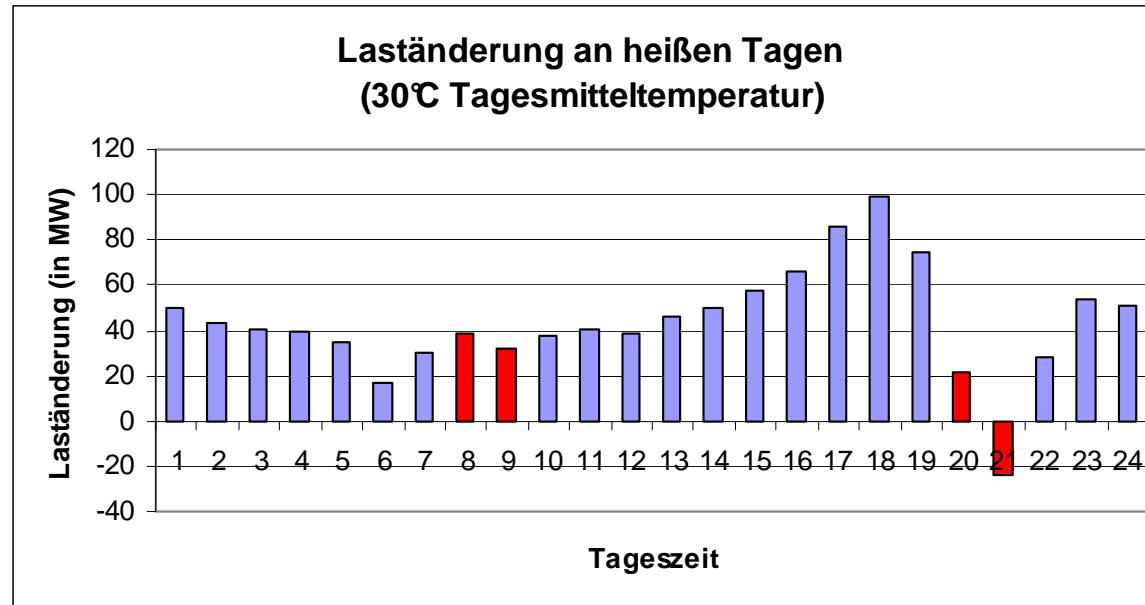
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- ***Percentage of Households with Air Conditioning***
  - USA 65%
  - Japan 85%
  - Europe 5%
  
- ***Percentage of Commercial Buildings with Air Conditioning***
  - USA 80%
  - Japan 100%
  - Europe 27%

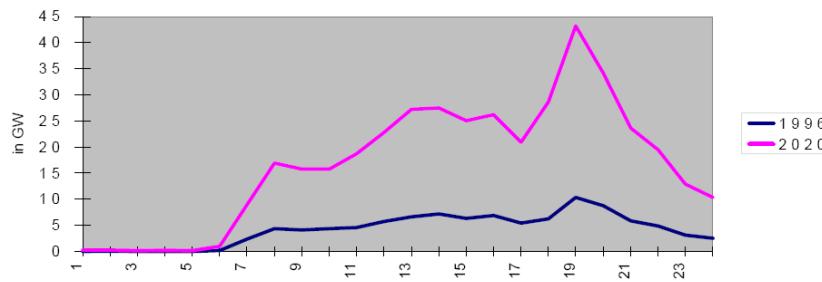
Source: Centre for Energy Studies 2003 (in: *Paul Waide, IEA 2004*)

# Cooling: Is it already an issue in Austria?

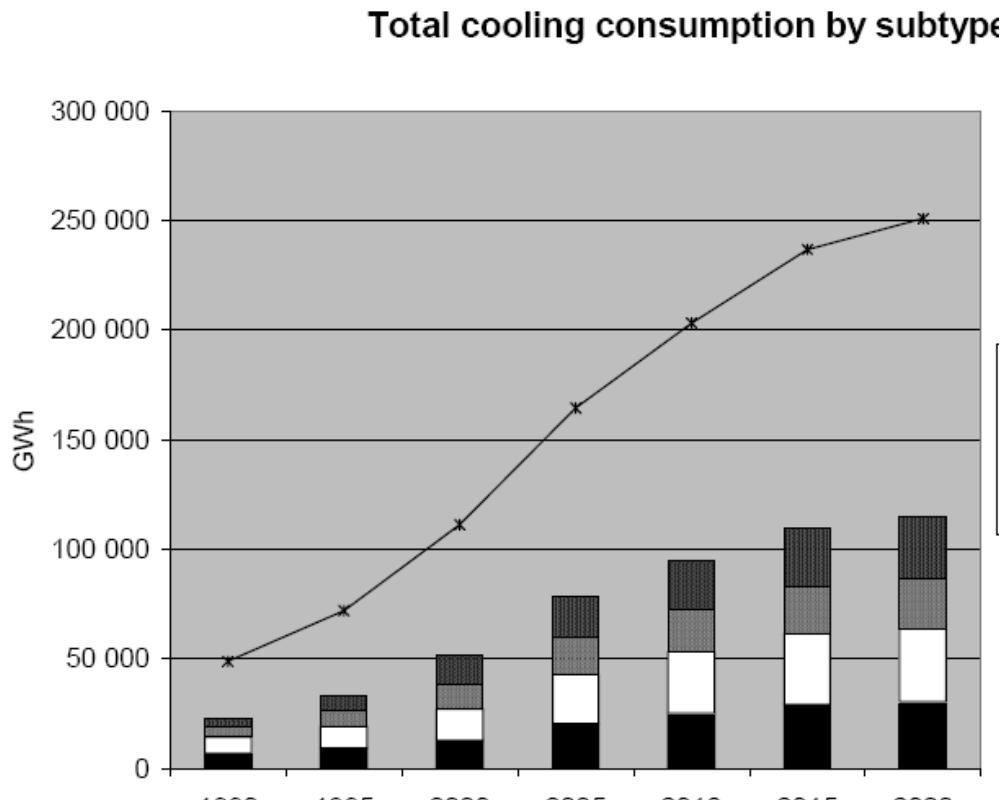
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*Klimastudien Land  
Niederösterreich –  
Toeglhofer et al.  
(2008)*



Source:  
*Adnot et al. (2003)*



# Cooling energy consumption in the EU-15: BAU projection



**COMPARE:**

**Total Austrian electricity demand**  
2005: 65,747

**Austrian emissions**  
2005: 93 000  
**Kyoto target:** 68 700

**CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (in thousand tons)**

Total	18 073	27 336	33 154	38 371	40 103
CO <sub>2</sub> emissions (in thousand tons)	18 073	27 336	33 154	38 371	40 103

Source: Adnot et al. 2003

# Increase in Cooling Degree days, what else matters?

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- Increasing affordability of cooling devices
- □ Shifts in comfort culture, behavioural patterns and consumer expectation
- □ Increasing internal loads
- □ Increase in urban heat island phenomenon
- □ Movement toward universal building designs which are poorly adapted to the local climatic conditions

Source: Paul Waide, IEA 2004

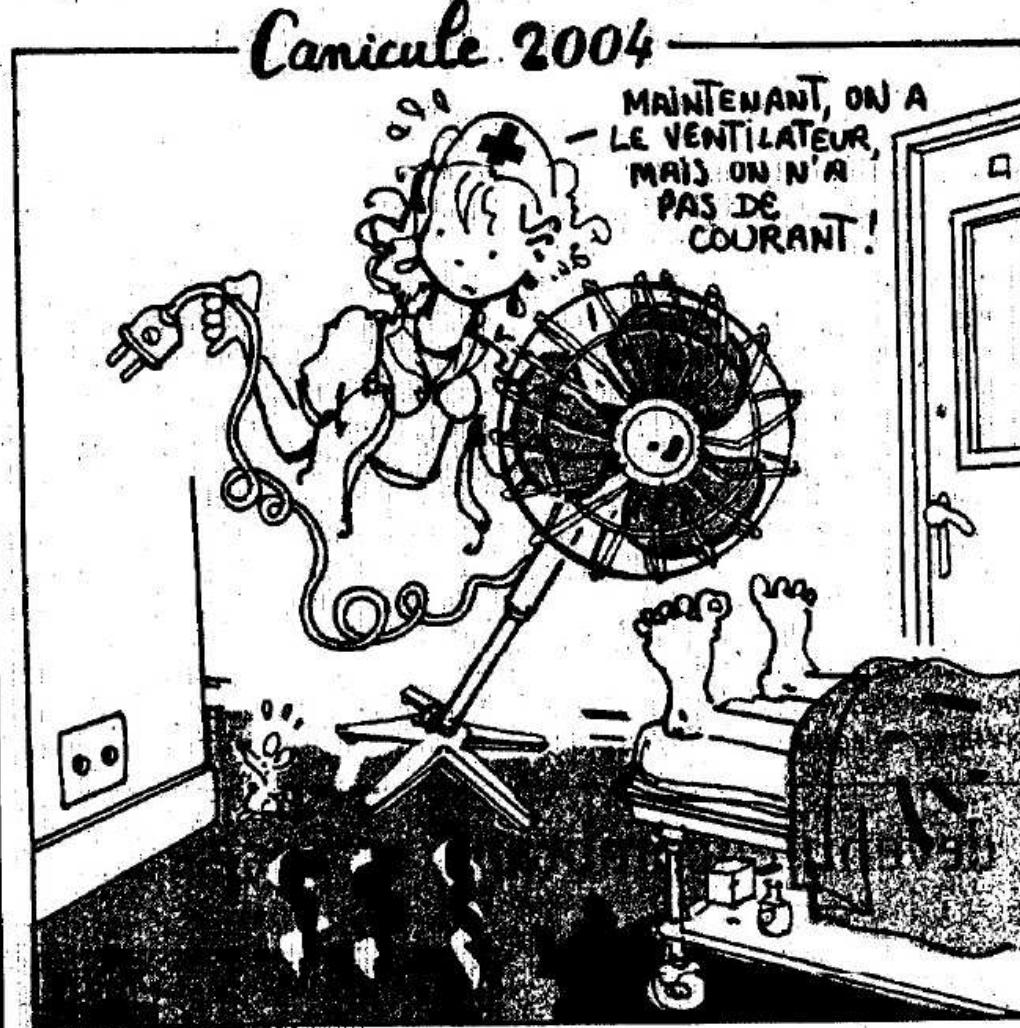
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# Conclusion: Heating and Cooling Energy Demand in Austria

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- The **climate induced** decrease in heating energy demand will be clearly stronger than the **climate induced** increase in cooling energy demand
- For the energy carrier electricity the additional demand in summer for cooling could outweigh reductions in heating energy demand in winter.
- The future heating and cooling energy demand will be determined less by climate change impacts than by future technical and socio-economic developments

# Where are we going?



Source: Le Monde 2003

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# Some useful links:

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<http://www.ipcc.ch/>

Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)

[http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/sternreview\\_index.htm](http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/sternreview_index.htm)

Stern Report

<http://www.iccgov.org/iew2009/>

International Energy Workshop 2009

## ... to our work

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[www.klimarisiko.at](http://www.klimarisiko.at)  
construction)

The Economics of Weather and Climate Risks in Austria (under

## ... to survive in a fact based world

[www.wolframalpha.com](http://www.wolframalpha.com)

Wolfram Alpha – My current favourite

[www.gapminder.org](http://www.gapminder.org)

Gapminder – for visualizing developments

[www.economist.com](http://www.economist.com)

The Economist – not only for (wannabe) Economists