

# Case studies: applying the **Invert** simulation tool



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## *Regions investigated in the project Invert*

- Crete (Greece)
- Baden-Württemberg (Germany)
- Jordanow (Poland)
- Vienna (Austria)
- Denmark
- Cornwall (UK)
- French illustration example

## *Sectors investigated within the project Invert*

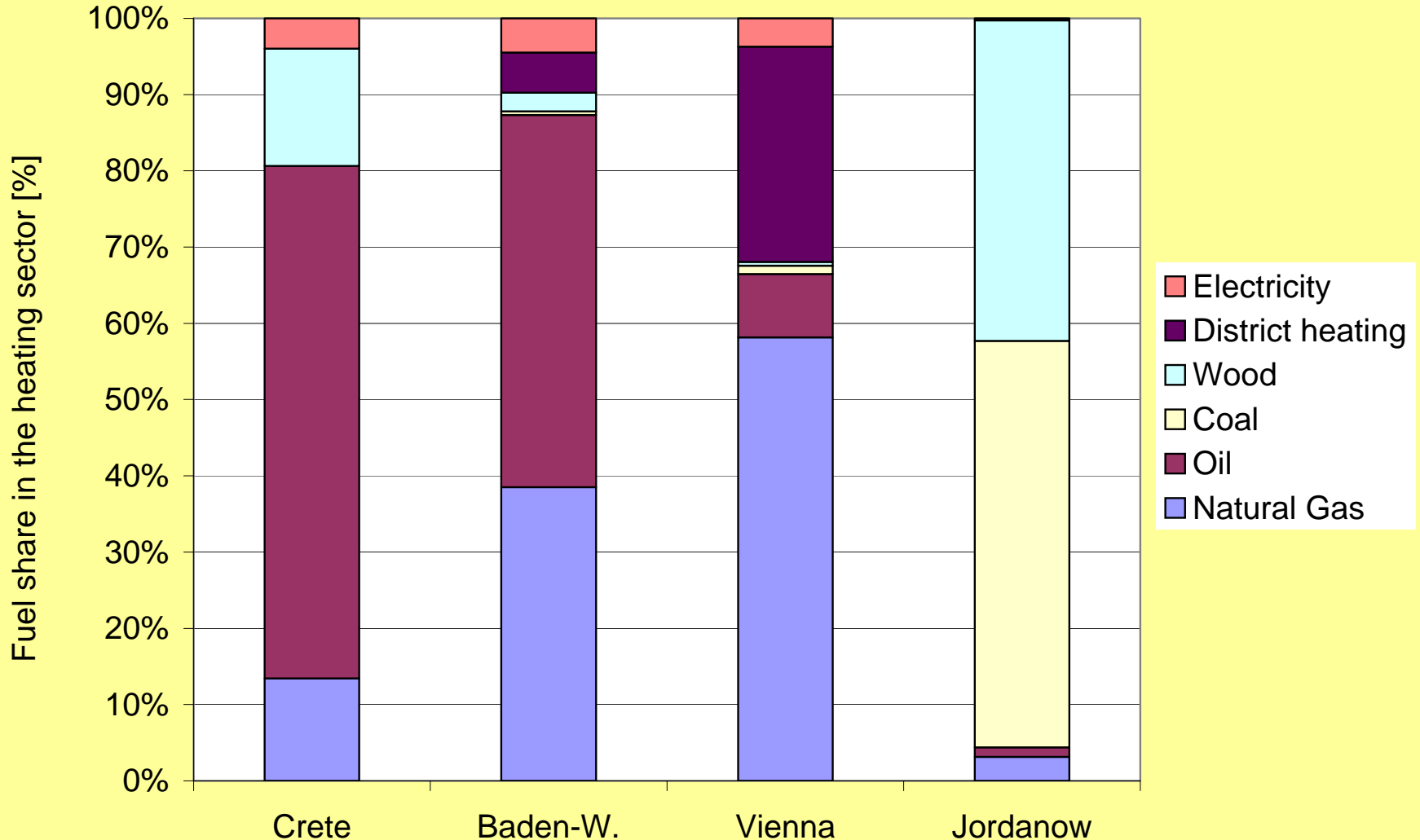
- **Buildings**
  - **Heating**
  - **Domestic hot water (DHW)**
  - **Demand Side Management (DSM)**
- **Electricity**
- **Biofuels for transport**

**Detailed data base on  
existing building stock  
and heating systems  
necessary**

## Case study regions - overview

	Vienna	Crete	Baden- Württemberg	Jordanow	
Area	415	8,300	35,751	194	km <sup>2</sup>
Population	1,660,000	601,131	10,700,000	21,664	Inhabitants
Number of households	805,900	290,000	4,800,000	7,500	

## *Fuel share in the heating sector / regions are rather different*



## ***General features of the results obtained with Invert***

- **Analysis of the shift among energy carriers**
- **Analysis of the interplay between RES and RUE**
- **Assessment of the effect of different kind of support schemes on public budgets**
- **The CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction efficiency can be assessed in terms of the "budget relevant spending" in a specific period – policy makers perspective**
- **Willingness to pay can be considered by "soft barriers" / calibration of soft barriers with historic data possible**
- **Model should not be used as a "black box"**

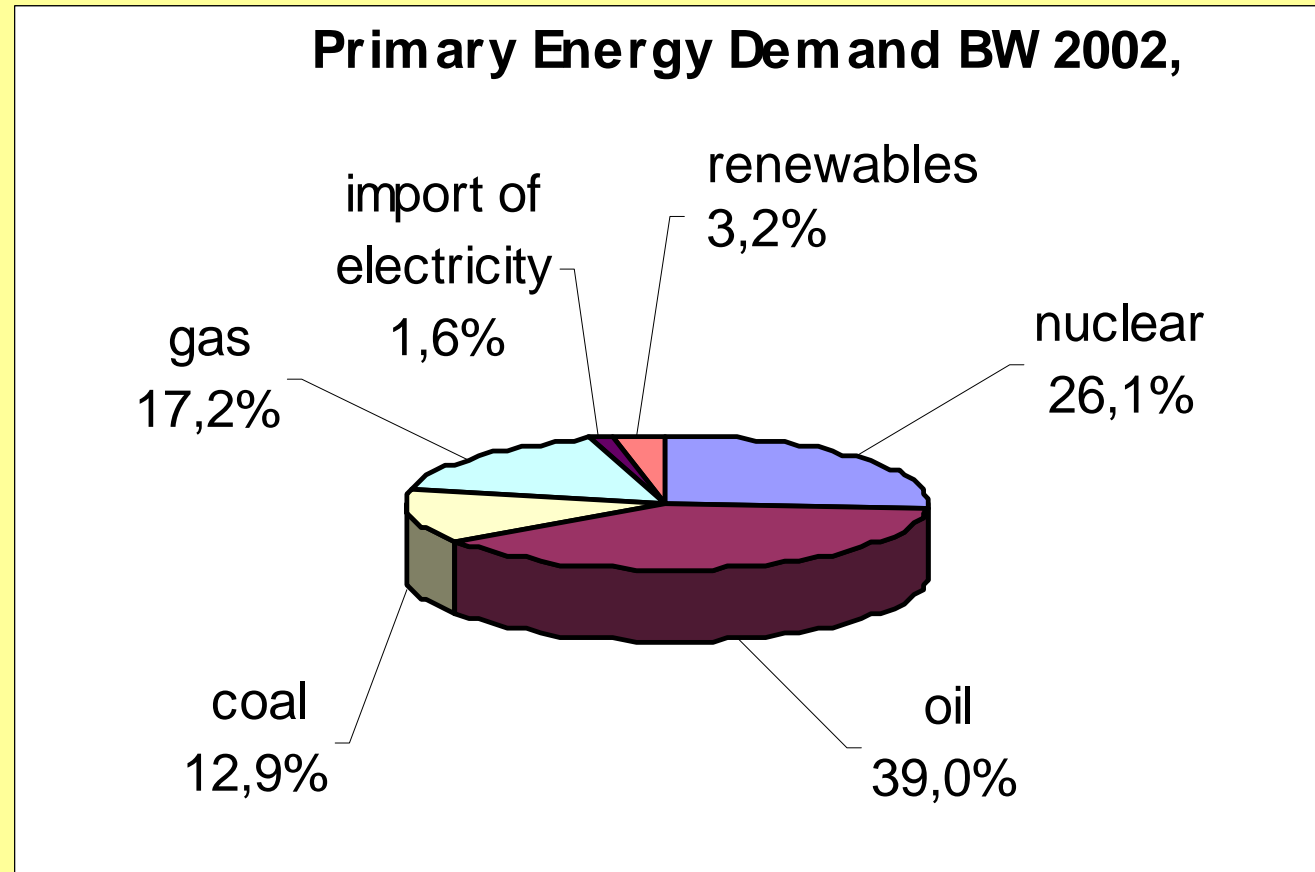
## ***Correct definition of the reference case – the crucial basis for using Invert***

**Key inputs are:**

- **Future evolution of fossil and biomass energy prices**
- **Interest rate determining the investment decision of households**
- **Full representation and extrapolation of the existing support measures**
- **Assumptions on CHP share in electricity generation**
- **Future development of building stock and insulation quality**

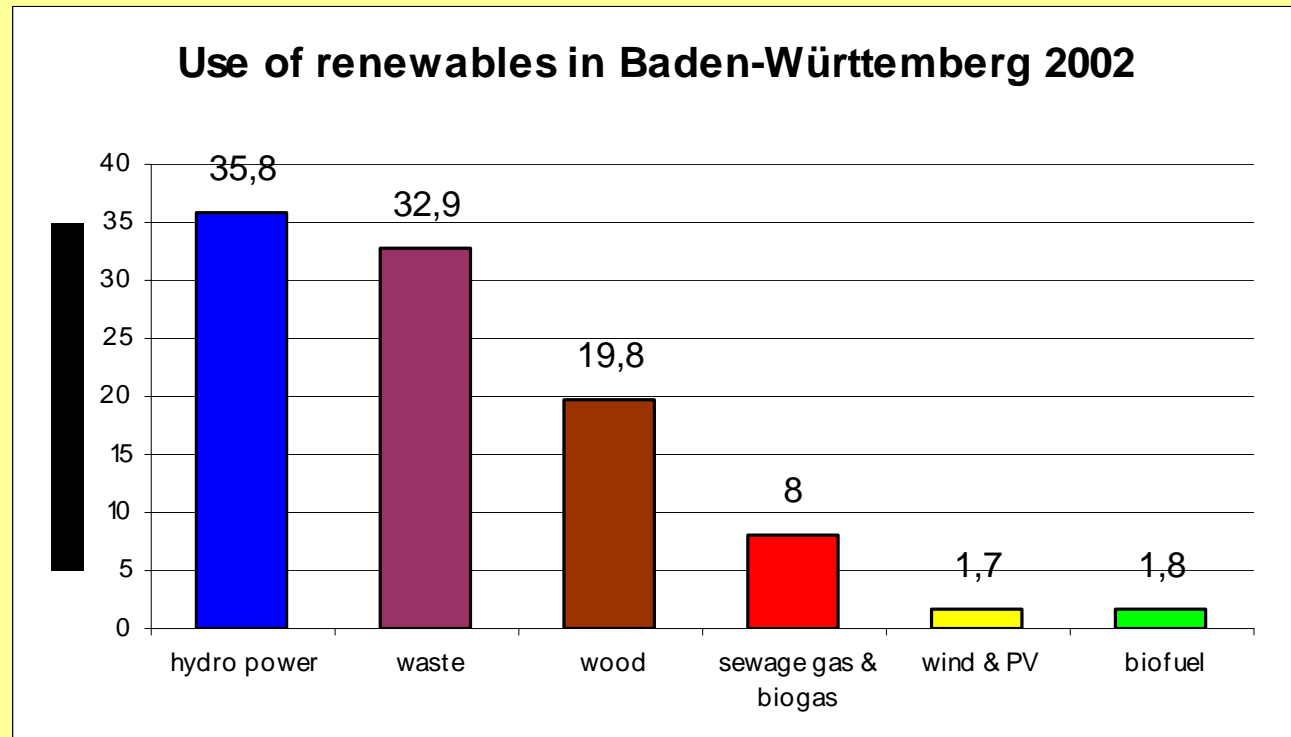
## Baden-Württemberg – overview (1)

**Total primary  
energy demand:  
450 TWh/yr**



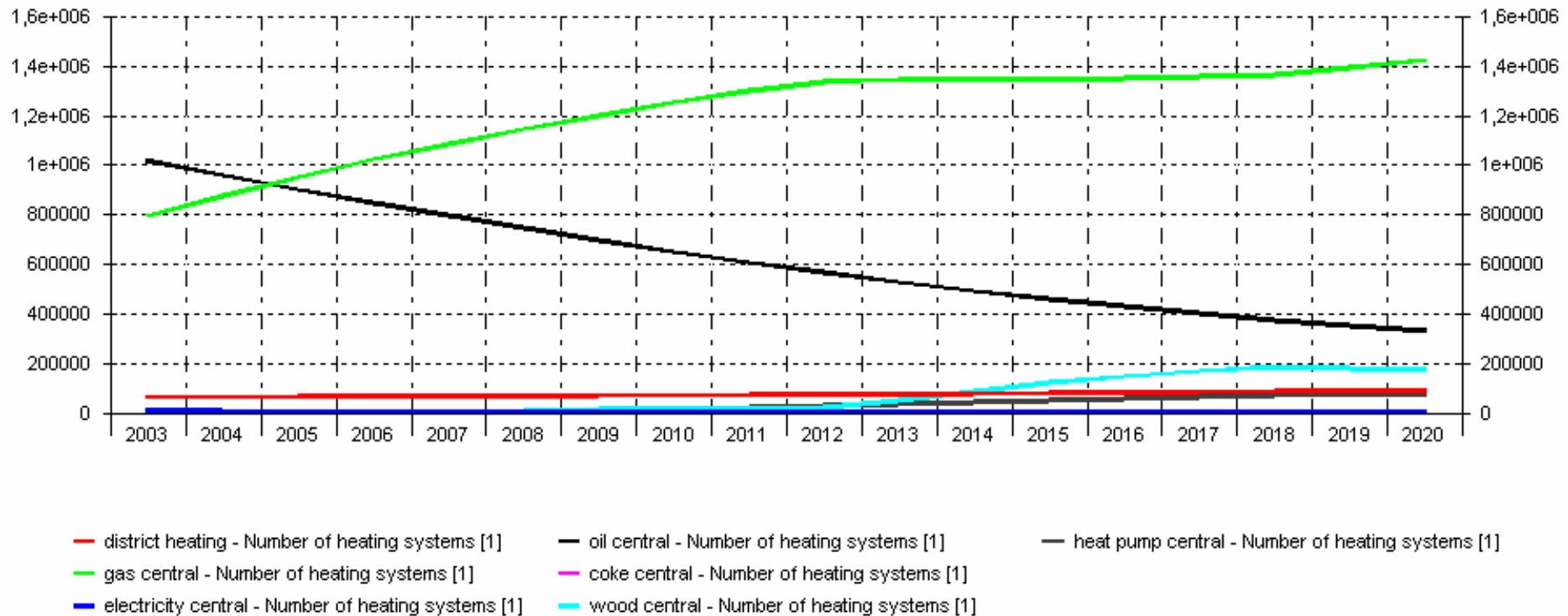
## Baden-Württemberg – overview (2)

**Total  
renewables:  
14,3 TWh/yr (3%)**



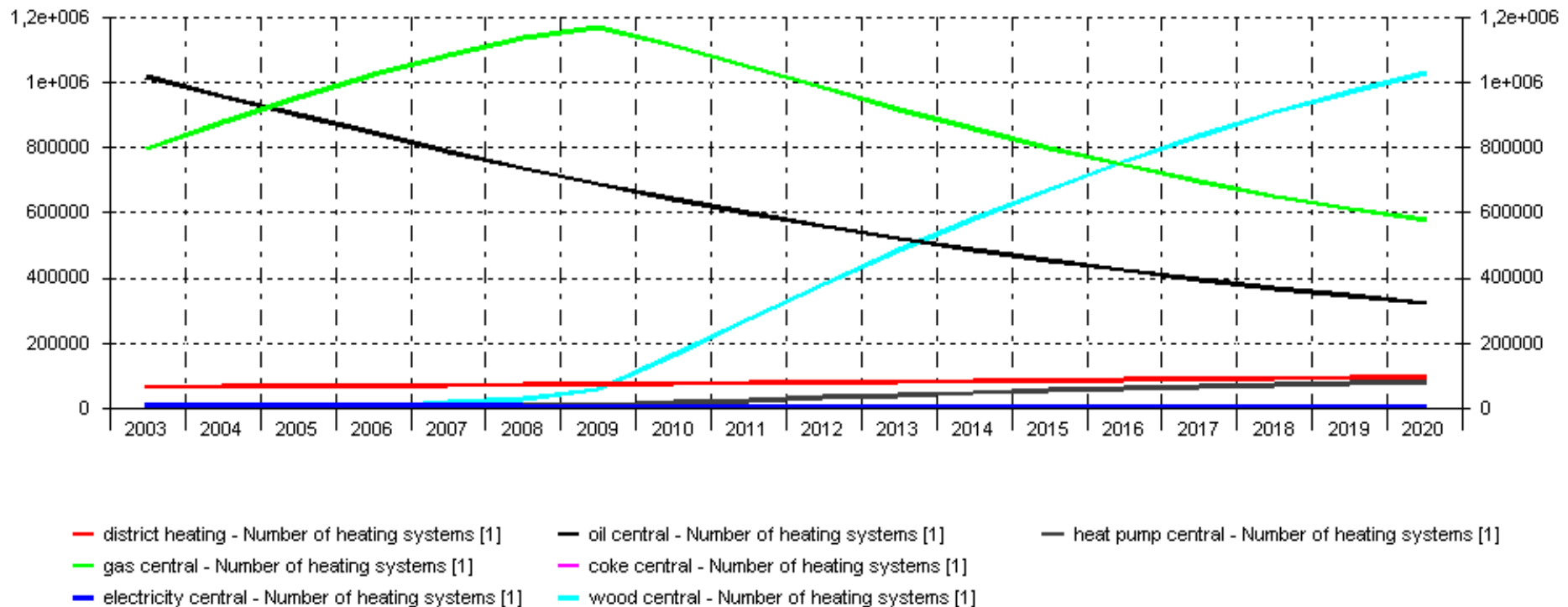
## Baden-Württemberg – reference scenario heating

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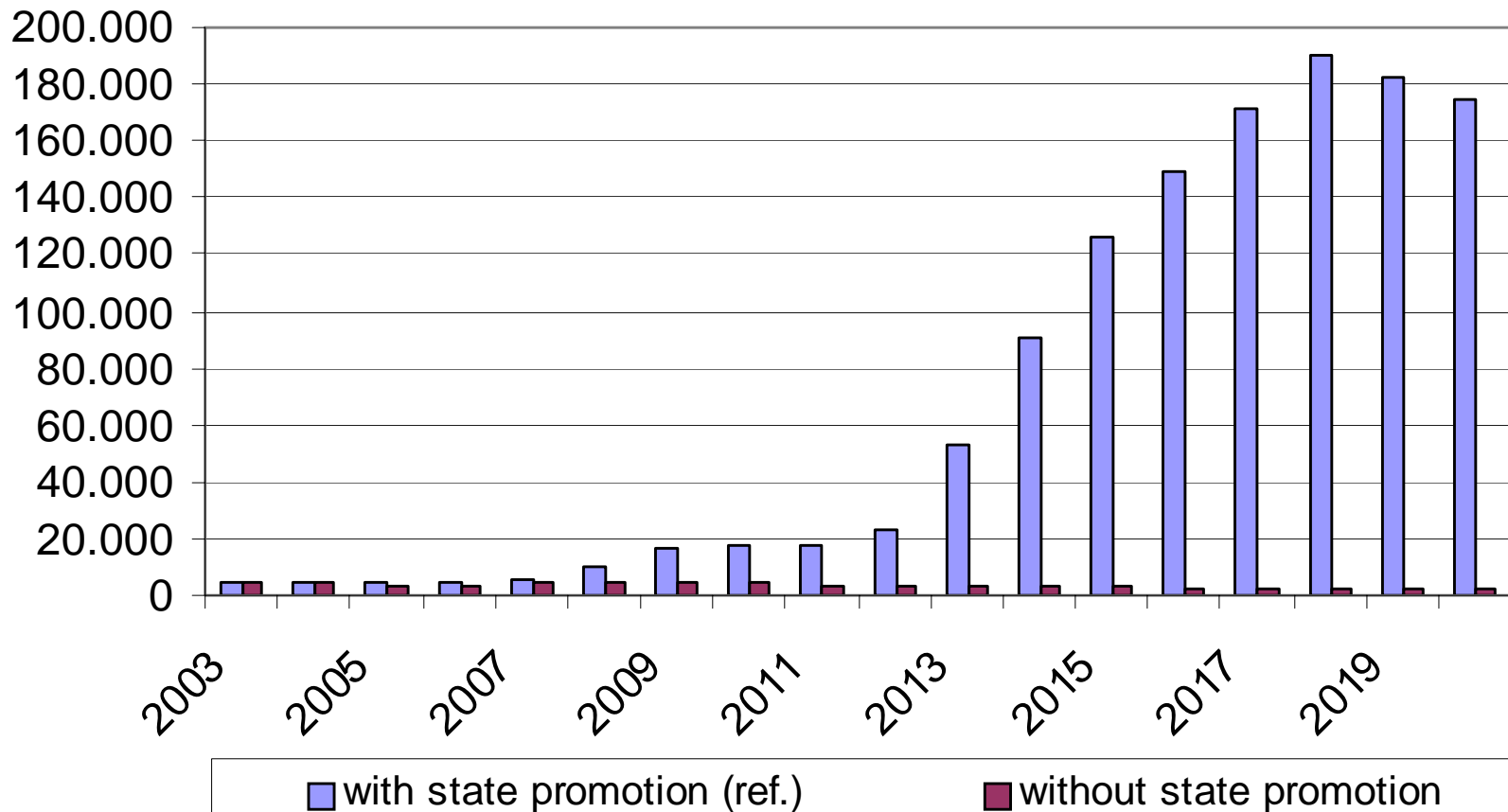
## Baden-Württemberg – removal of support for conventional heating systems (soft loans)

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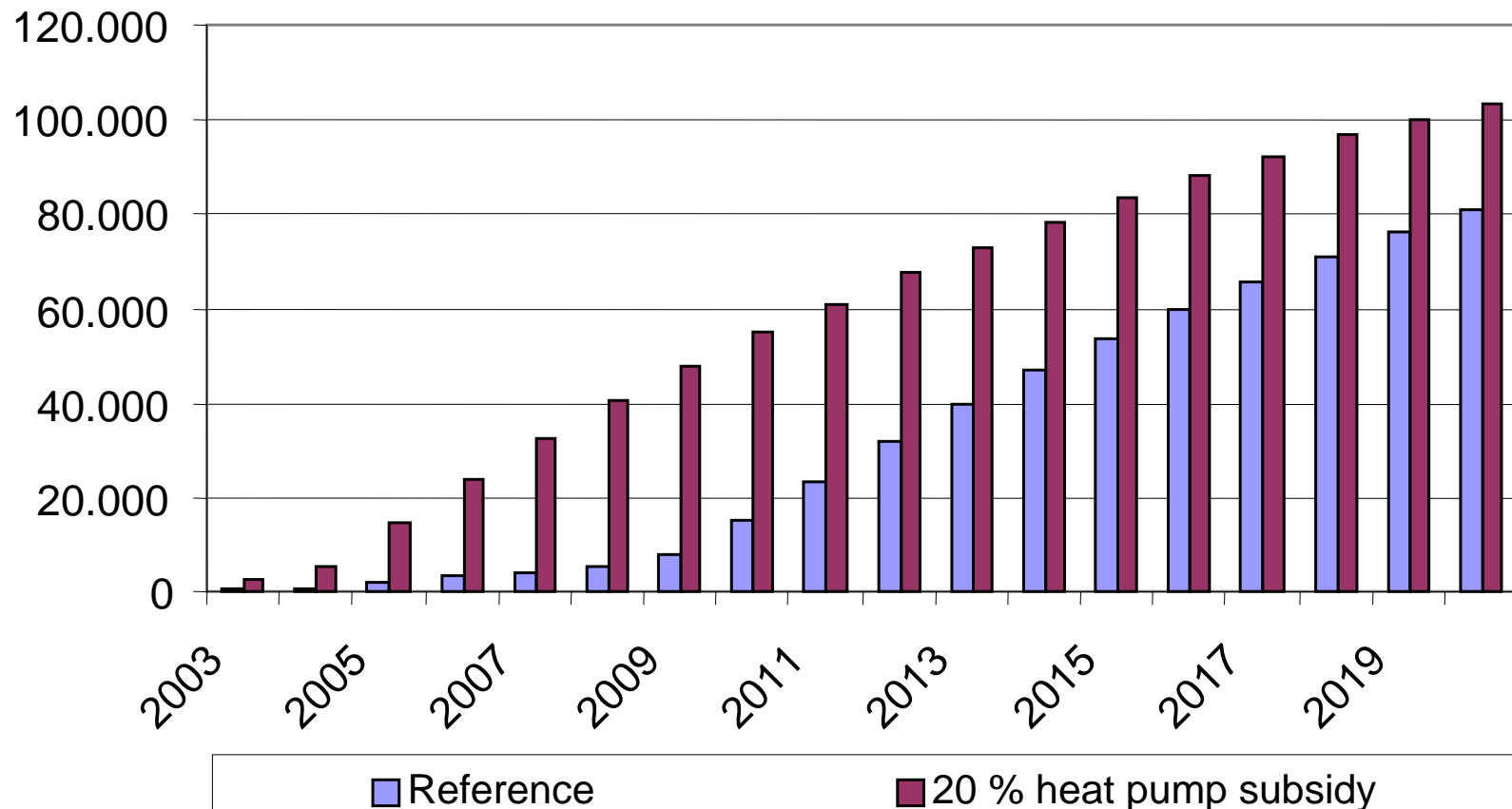
## *Baden-Württemberg – effect of 10% extra investment incentive from the state (30% instead of 20%)*

### Number of dwellings with wood heating systems (H2)

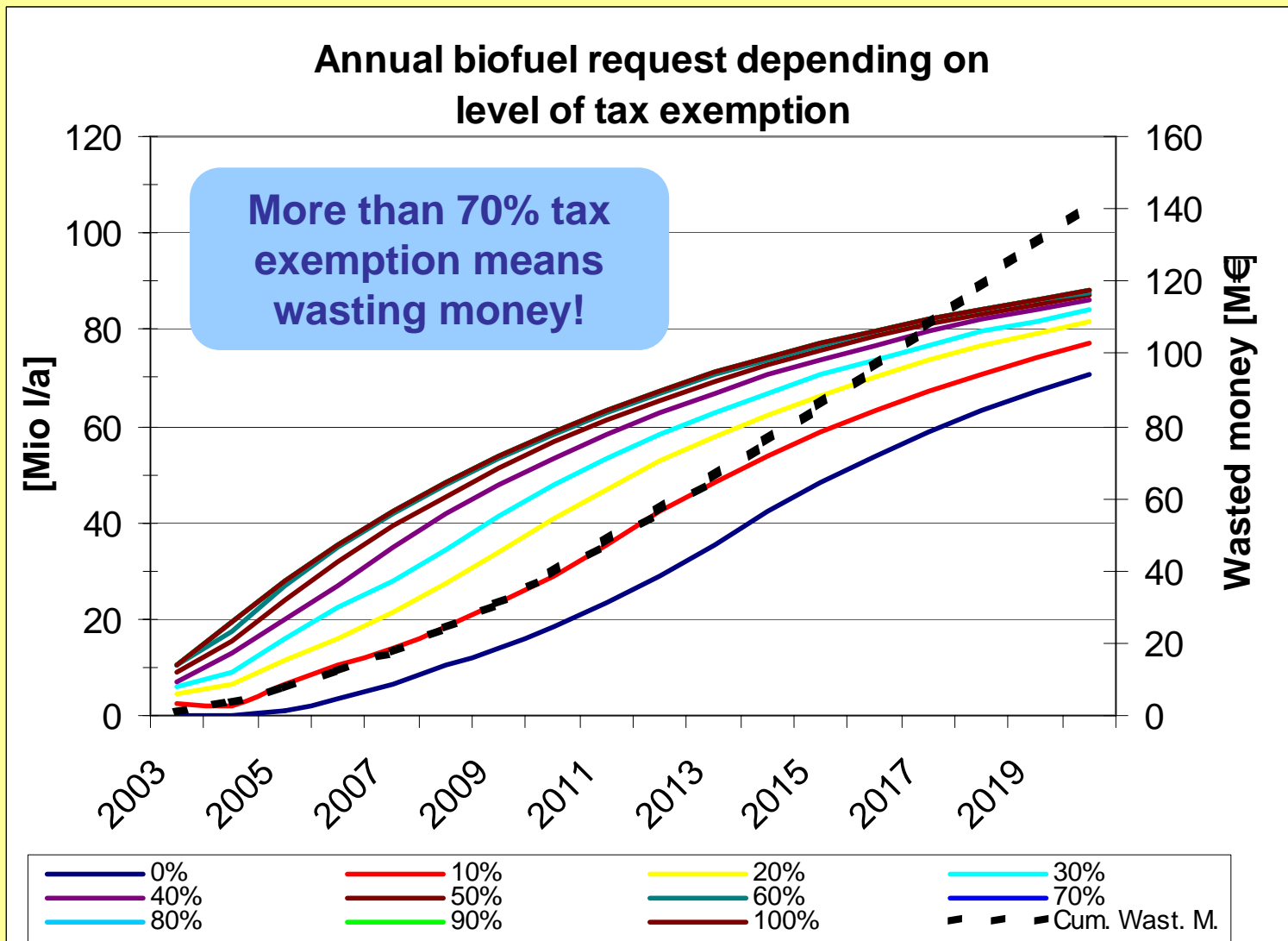


## *Baden-Württemberg – 20% investment incentive for heat pumps compared to reference case*

Number of heat pump systems

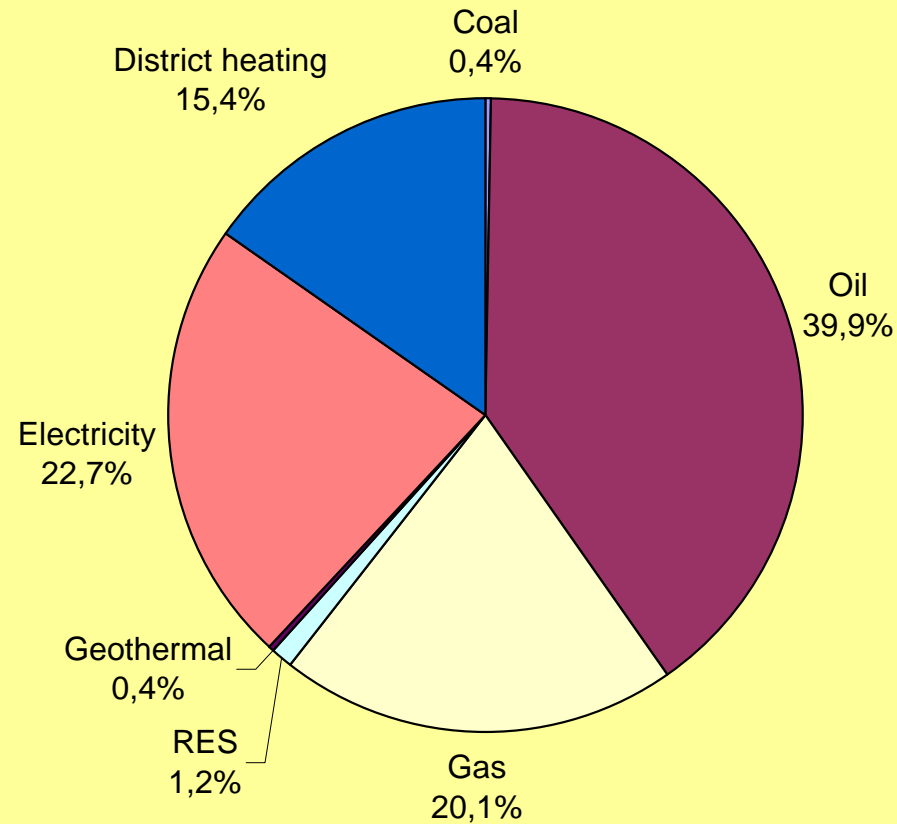


## Baden-Württemberg – tax exemption for biofuels

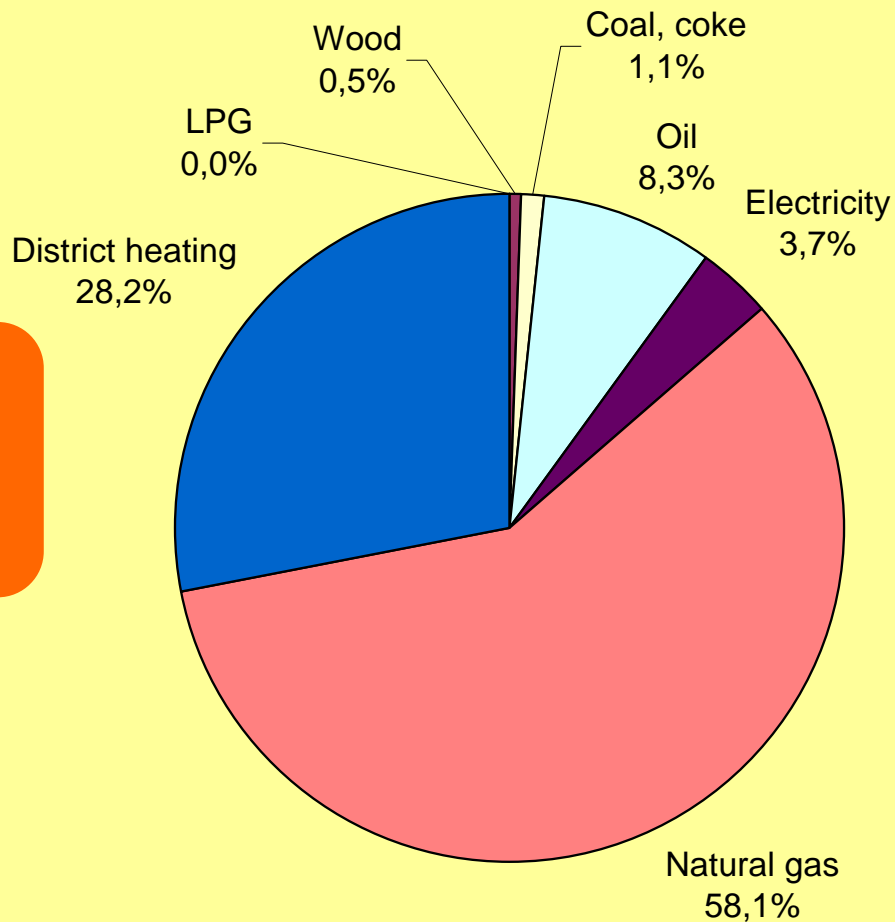


## Vienna – overview (1)

**Total final  
energy demand:  
34 TWh/yr**

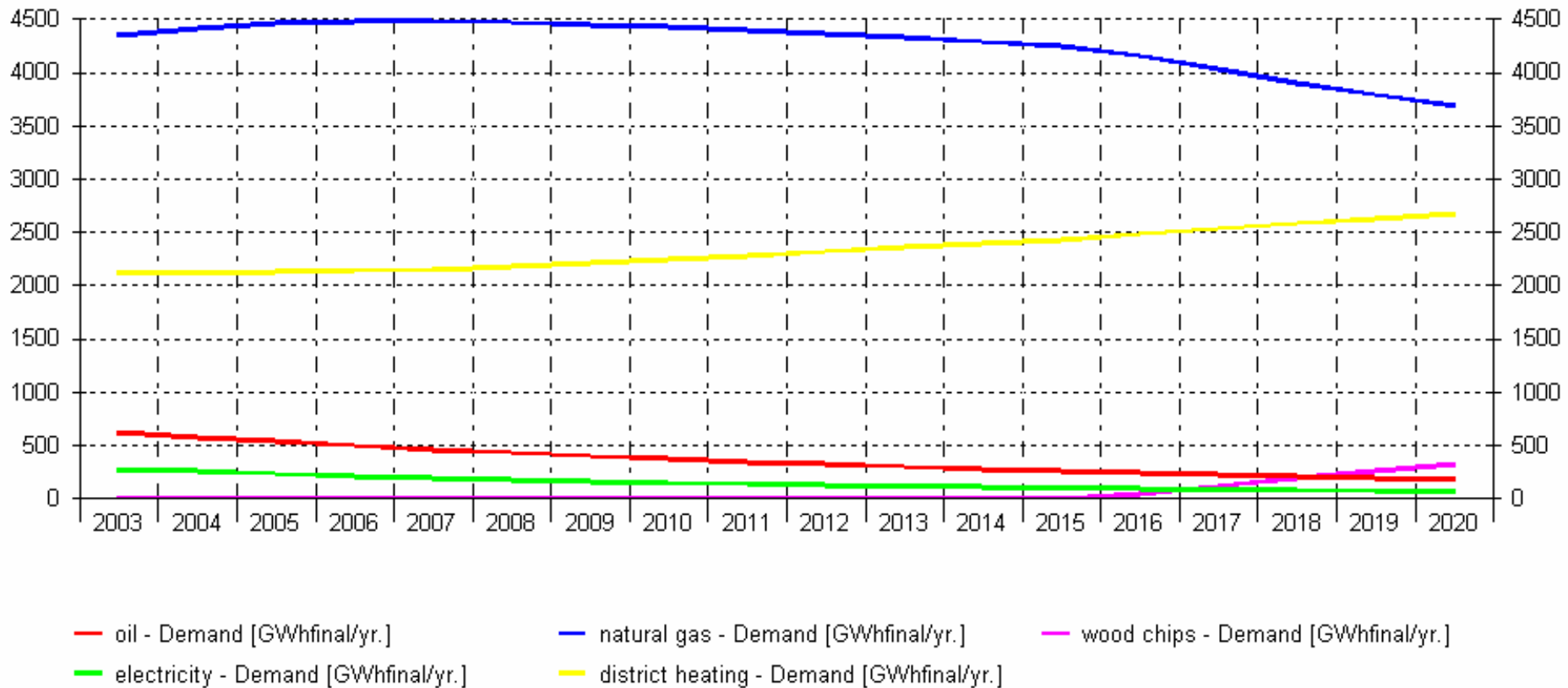


## Vienna – energy mix heating sector

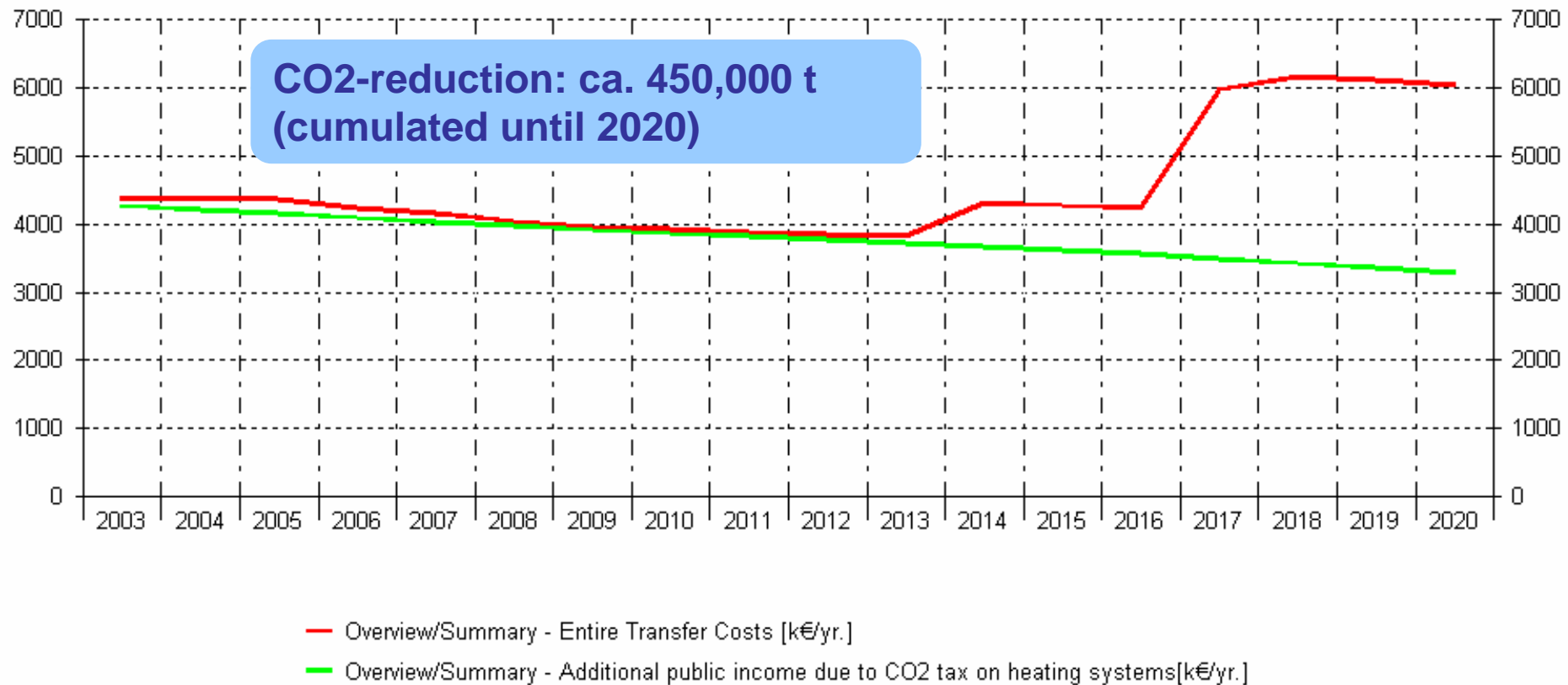


**Total final  
energy demand  
for heating:  
7 TWh/yr**

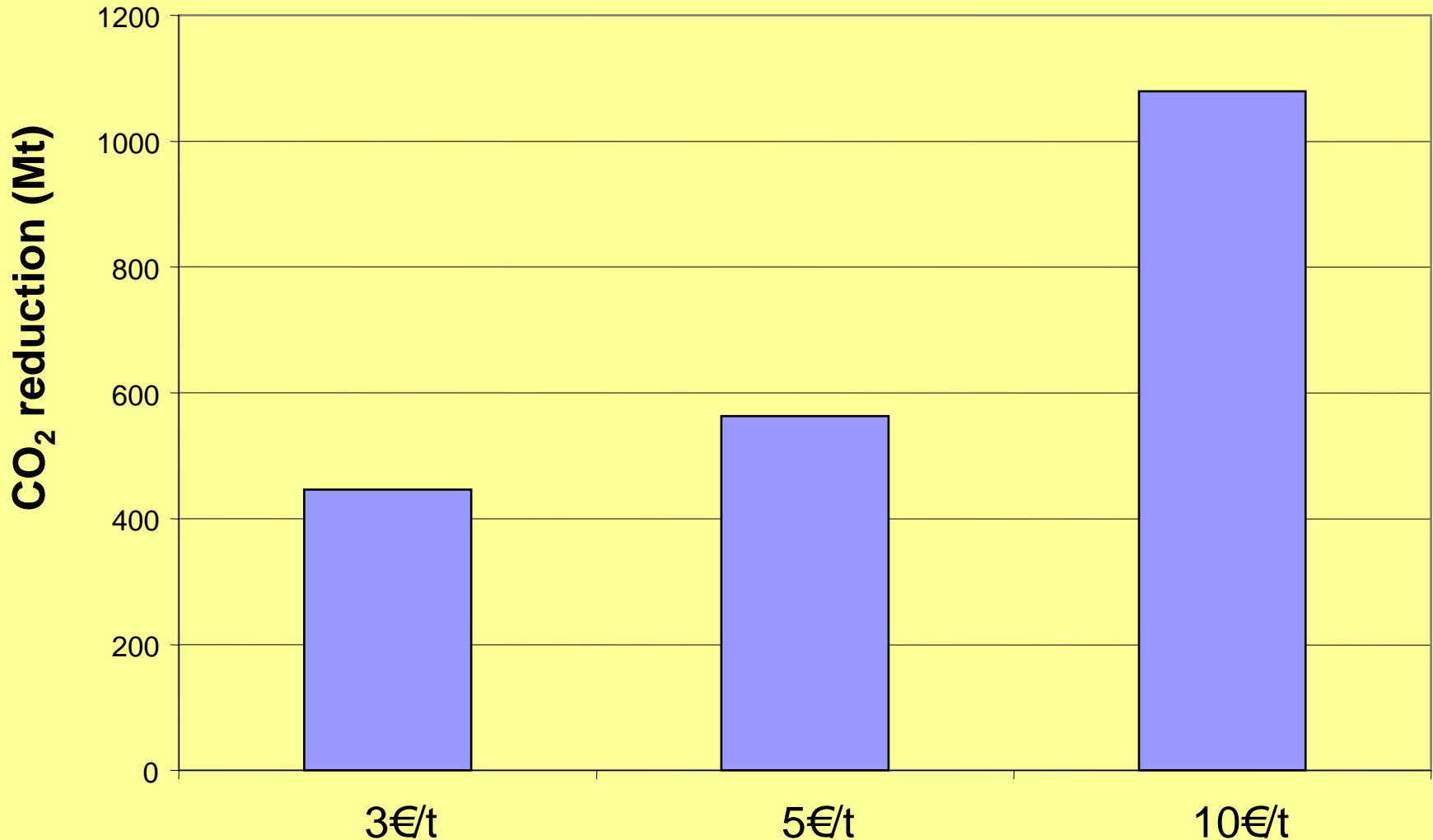
## Vienna – reference scenario heating



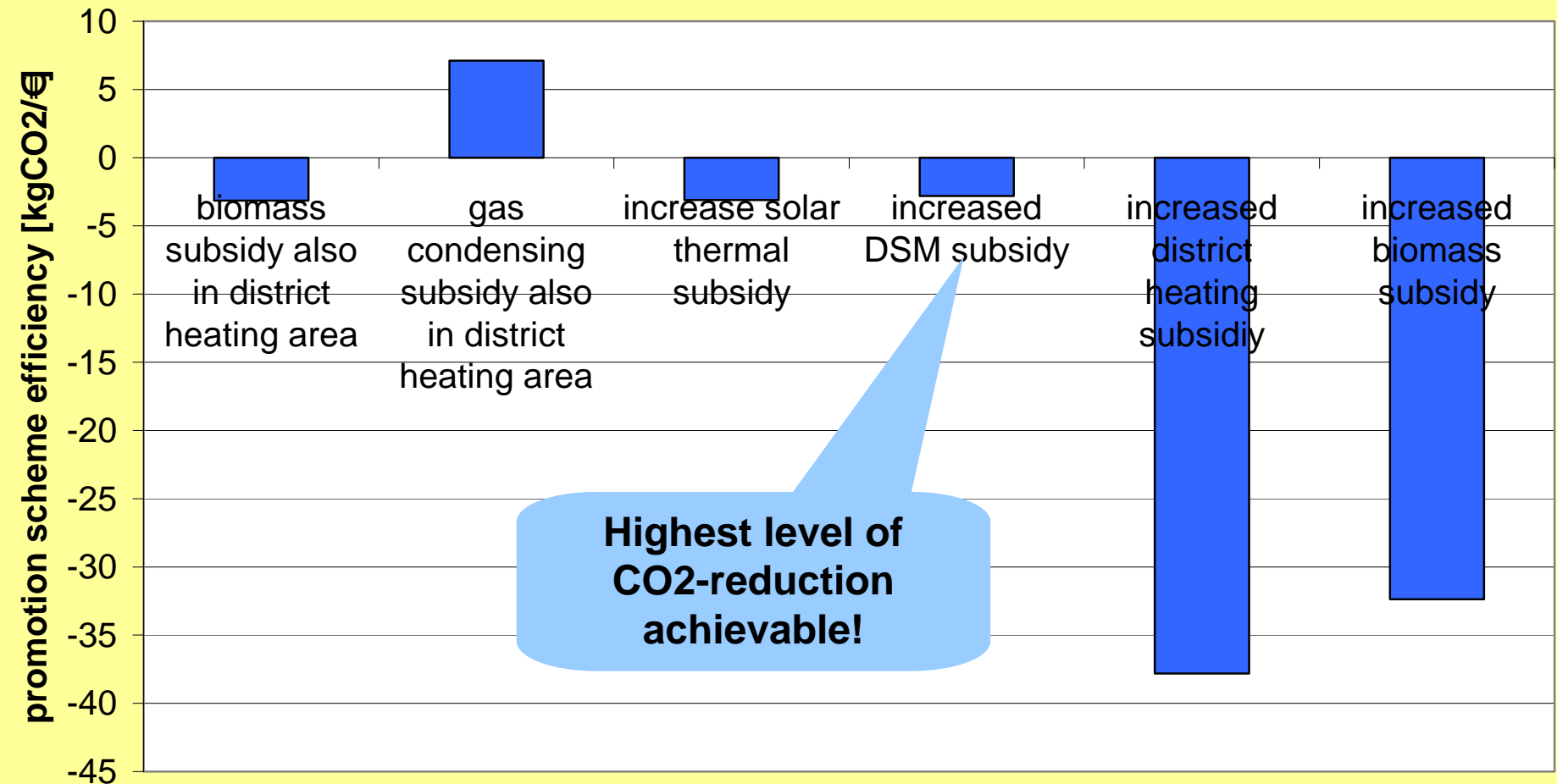
## Vienna – CO2-tax (3€/t)



## Vienna – effect of different levels of CO<sub>2</sub>-tax (3-10€/t)



## Vienna – Promotion scheme efficiency



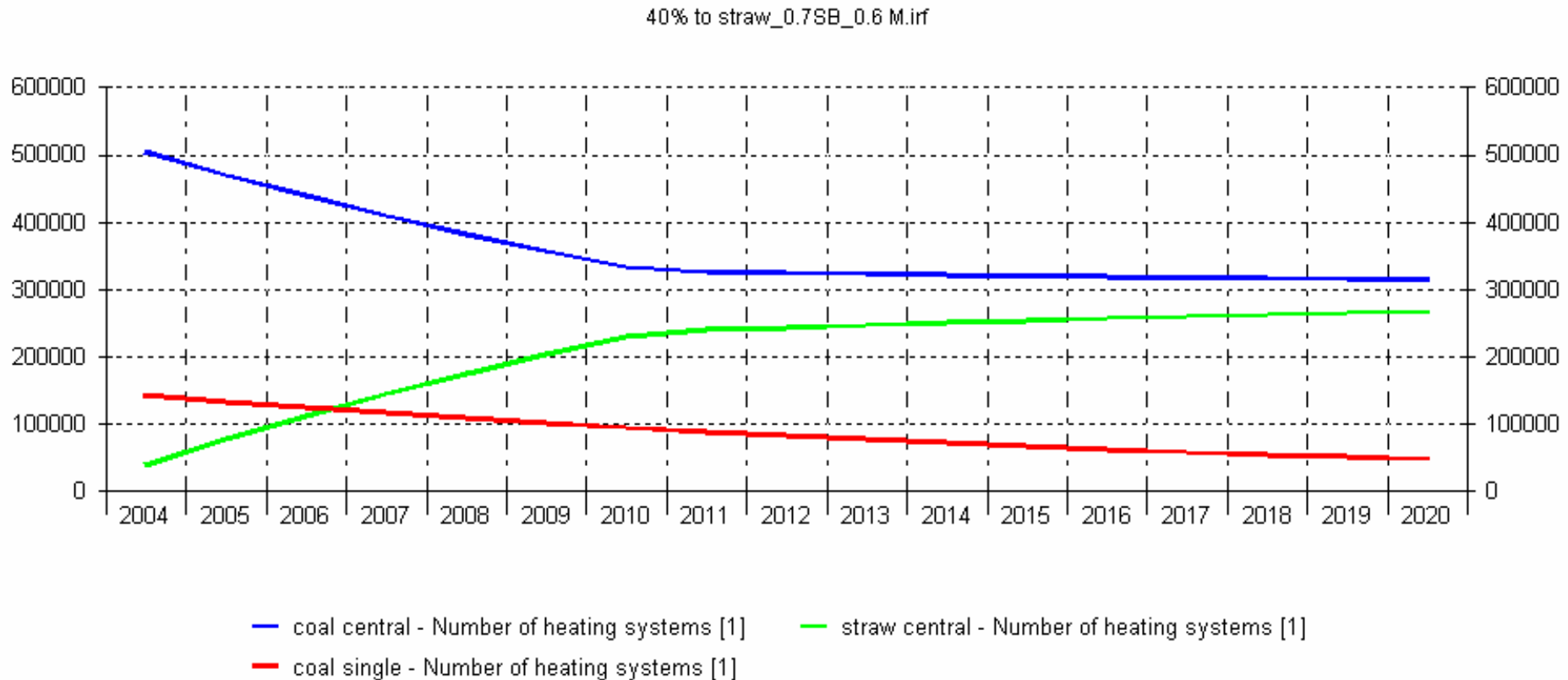
## ***Main conclusions for Baden-Württemberg***

- **Simultaneous promotion of natural gas and wood heating leads to significant inefficiencies**
- **Additional state support (cumulating federal and state promotion) is the main driver for wood heating development**
- **Additional investment incentive for heat pumps would lead to an earlier take-off of the market (about 5 years) but only to moderate differences in 2020**
- **Additional promotion of DSM (e.g. by 20% investment incentives) might lead to inefficiencies, since the current promotion by soft loans seems to be a very efficient situation**
- **Full tax exemption for biofuels appears to be an over-promotion partial tax exemption is sufficient**

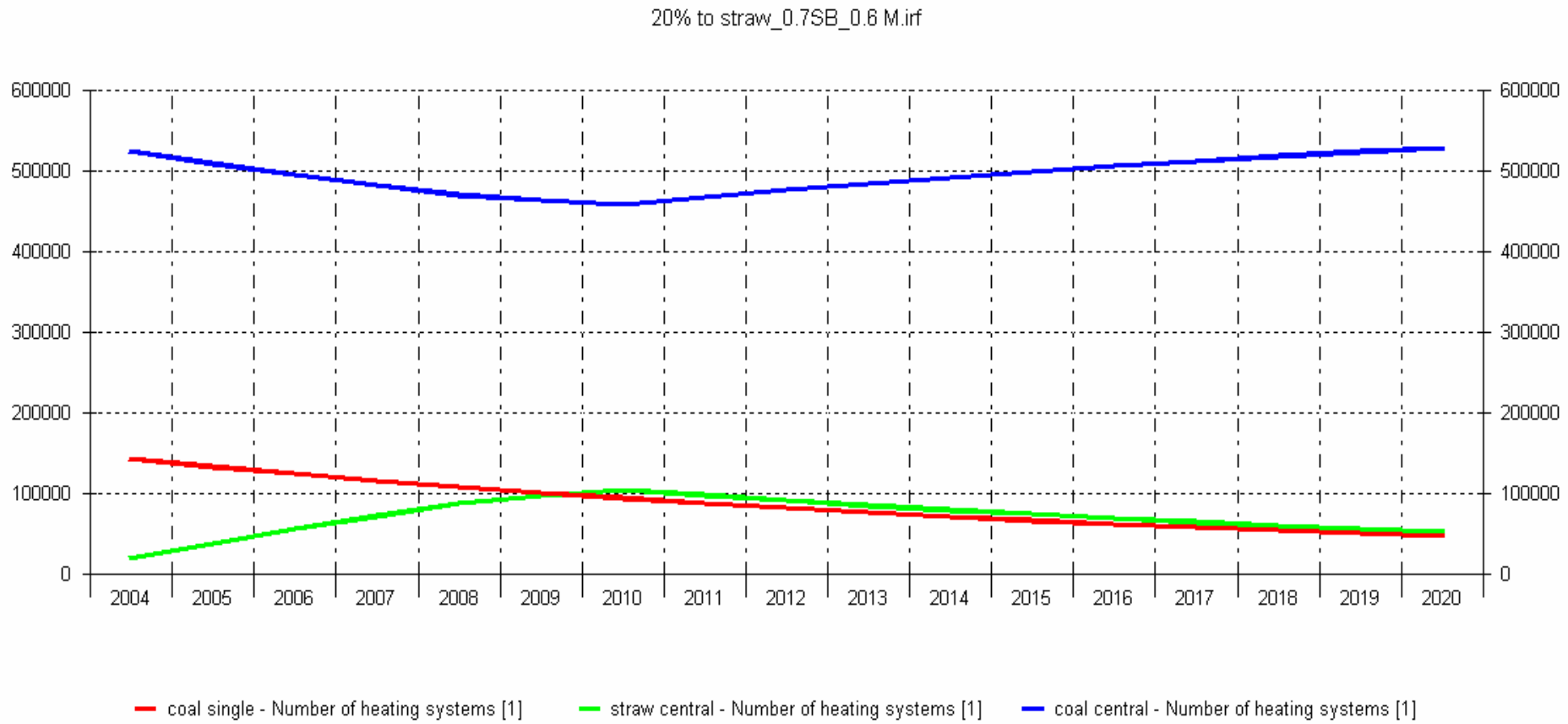
## ***Main conclusions for Vienna***

- **Highest promotion efficiency occurs for increasing incentives for biomass and DH (biomass is mainly an option for suburbs) ...**
- **... but highest CO<sub>2</sub> reduction would be reached for increasing DSM measures / but not as cost efficient as biomass and DH investment incentives**
- **Current promotion scheme for DSM is rather efficient (investment incentives for insulation depending on the degree of demand reduction – stepped system), by increasing the overall level of promotion additional CO<sub>2</sub> reductions can be reached**
- **Promotion of gas condensing boilers has a positive effect on CO<sub>2</sub> reductions, but shows competition with biomass**
- **Decreasing the flat rate for DH and increasing the variable costs of DH would stimulate DSM**

## Poland – straw boilers (40% subsidy)



## Poland – straw boilers (20% subsidy)



## Poland – comparison wind vs. straw

