Tracking progress toward the implementation of energy related SDGs in the Arab region

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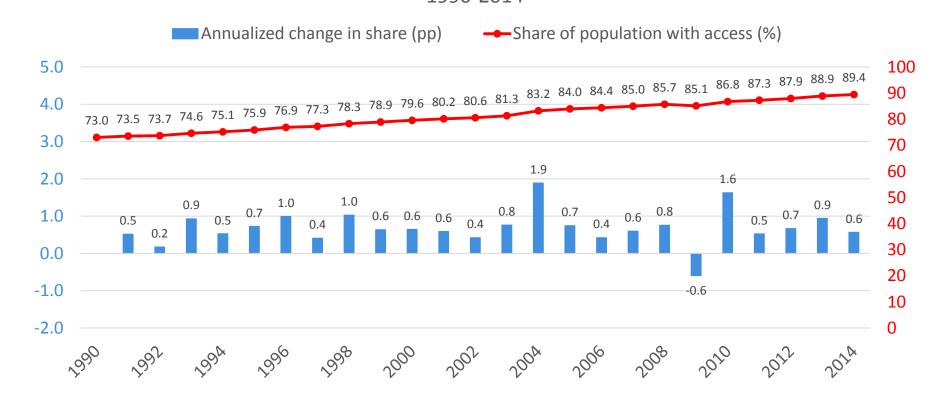


1. Energy Access (EA) in the Arab Region

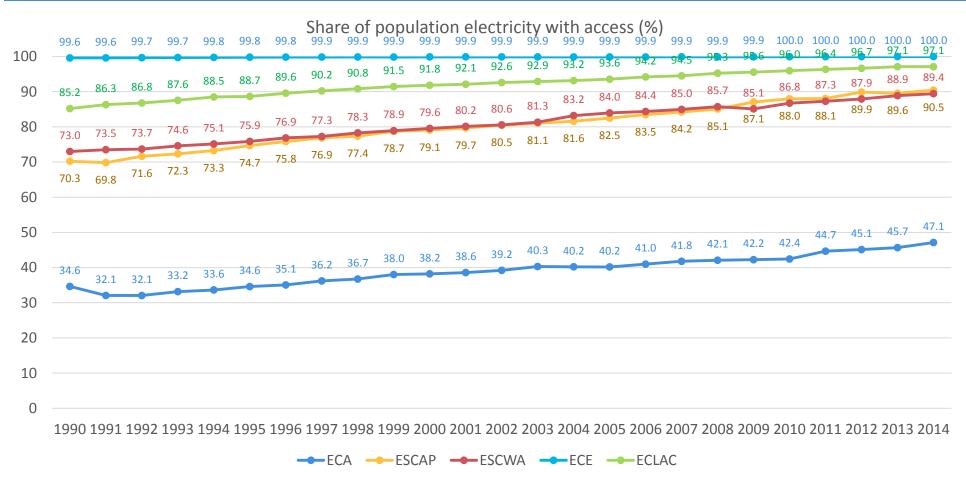
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Share of population with access to electricity and annualized change in share 1990-2014

- Overall a positive trend
- Consistent increase in electrification
- Close to 90%
 regional
 electrification
 rate, top in
 developing
 regions

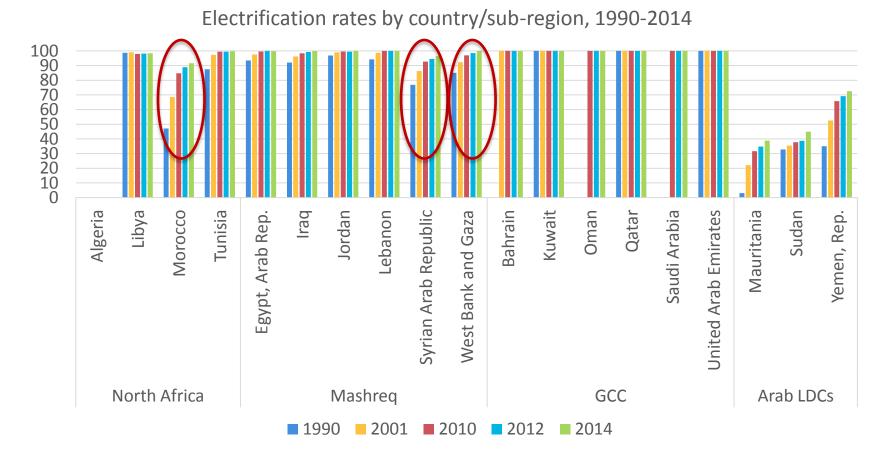


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- Near-universal electricity access in the GCC several decades down
- Systematic
 electrification
 programmes closed
 large parts of the
 existing gaps in
 North Africa and
 the Mashreq
 during the 1990s
 and early 2000s

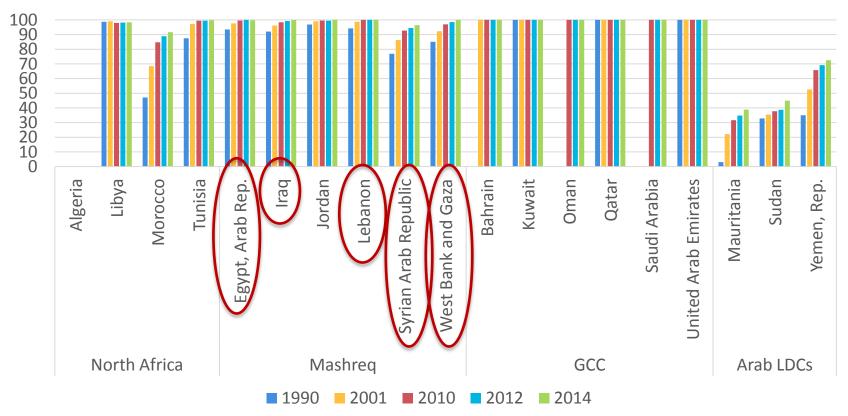


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What the data does not show:

- Quality and reliability of service (national grid/mini-grid access, working hours per day, number of outages per month)
- Use of private generators to back up power supply during times of disruption
- Cost and affordability

Electrification rates by country/sub-region, 1990-2014



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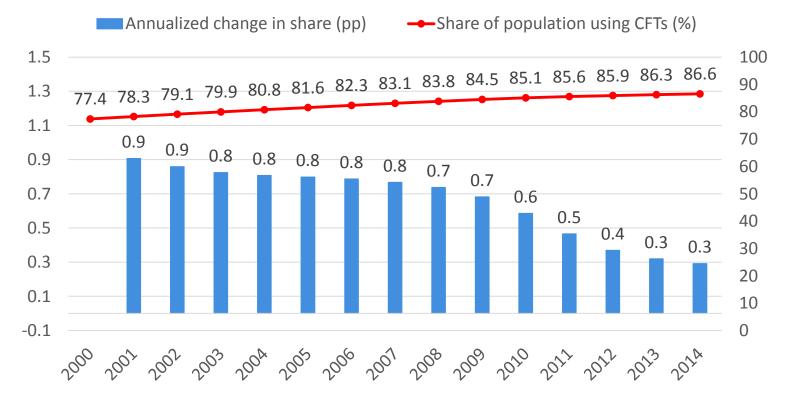
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Consistent growth in access to CFTs up to 86.6% by 2014 – highest in the developing world

Decelerating growth as coverage becomes more universal

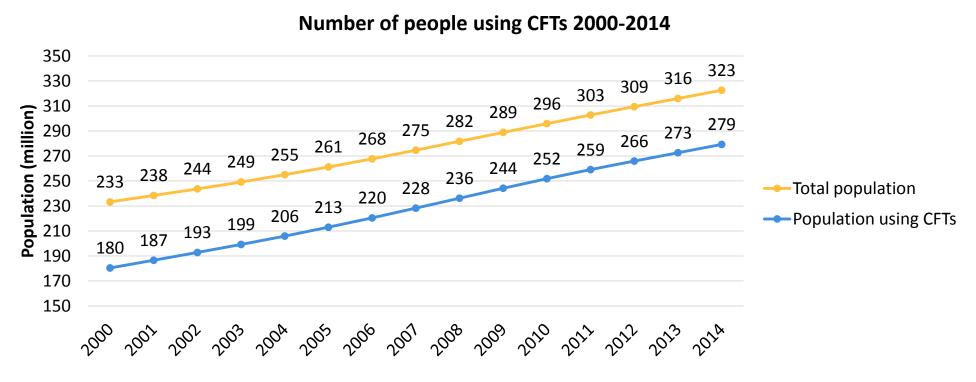
Policy success? Other factors to consider?

Share of population using CFTs and annualized change in share 2000-2014



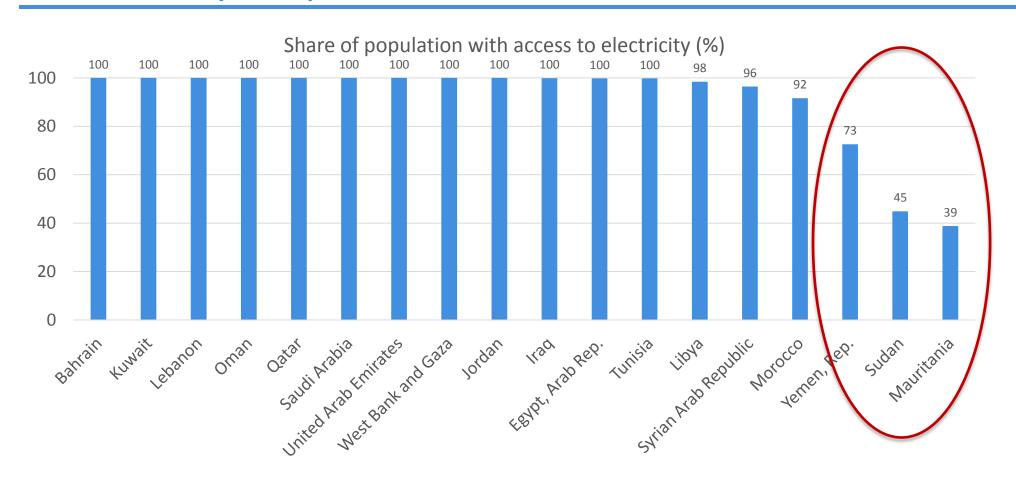
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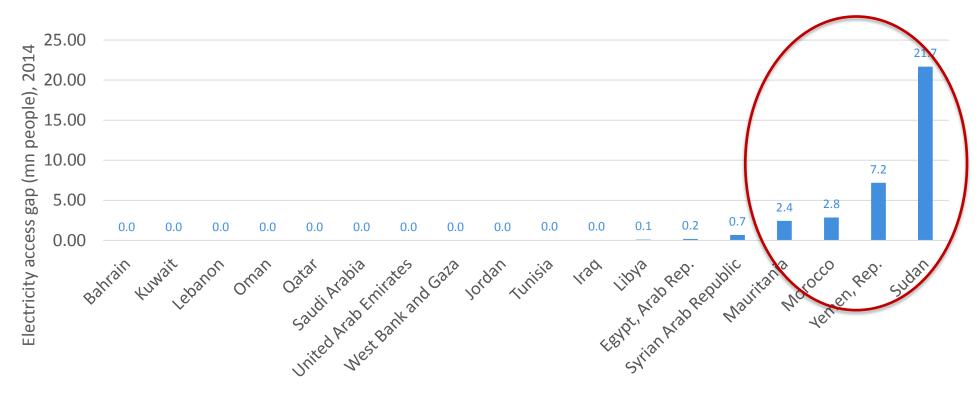


However, a gap of around 44 million people remains, primarily in Arab African countries and Yemen

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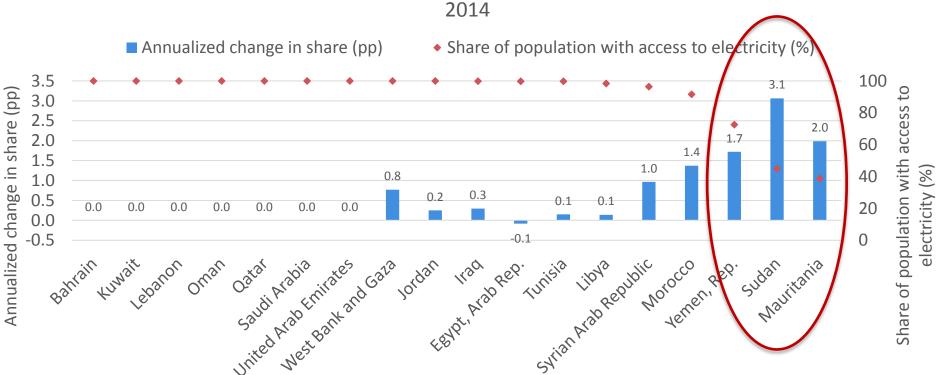
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Sudan, Yemen, Morocco and Mauritania account for over 97% of the Arab region's access gap

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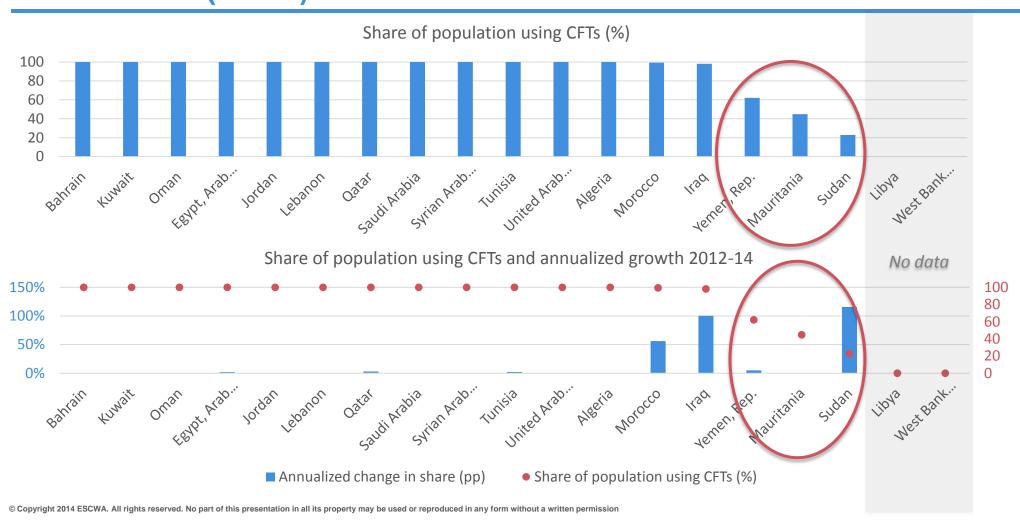
Share of population with access to electricity 2014 and annualized growth 2012-



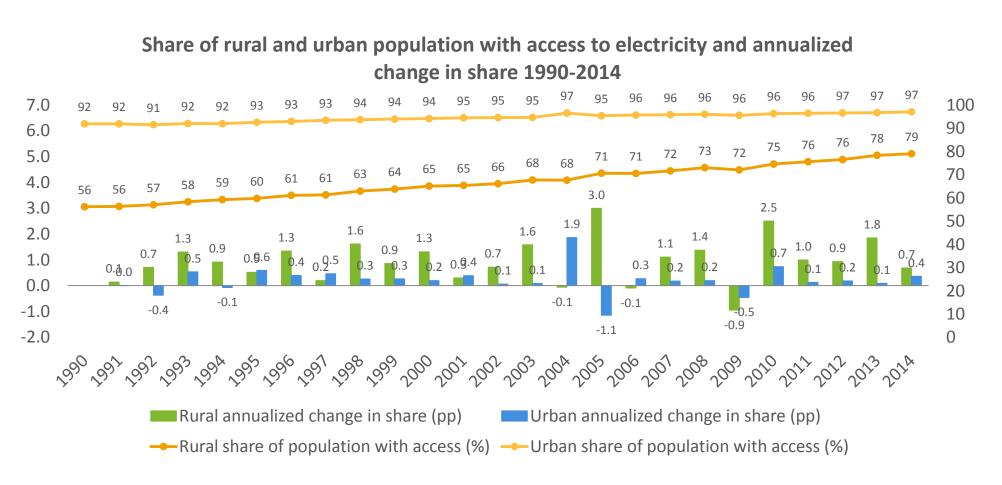
But countries with incomplete electrification rates also improve their access rates rapidly

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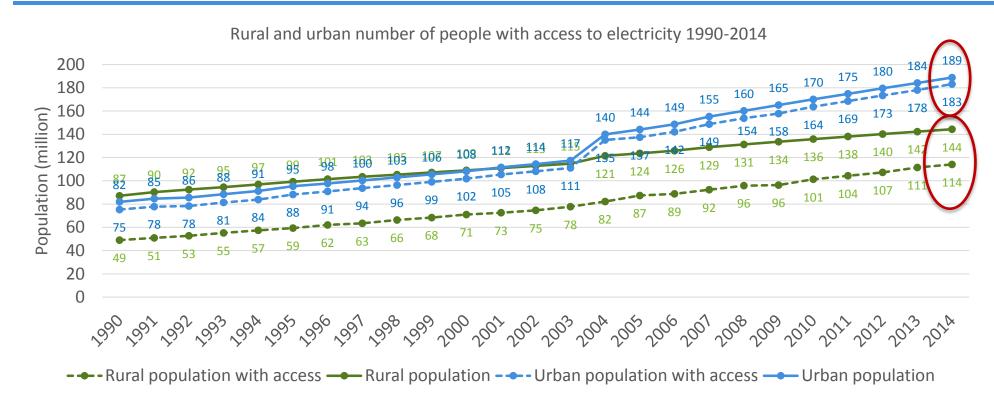
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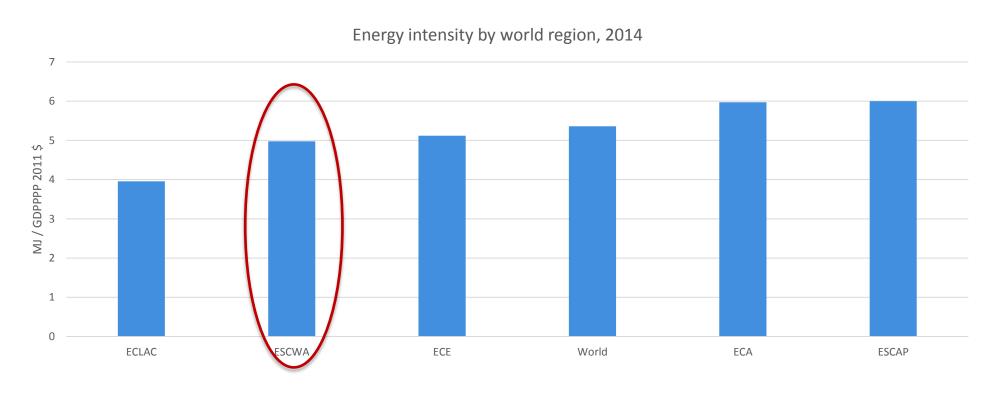


6 million urban versus 30 million rural access gap

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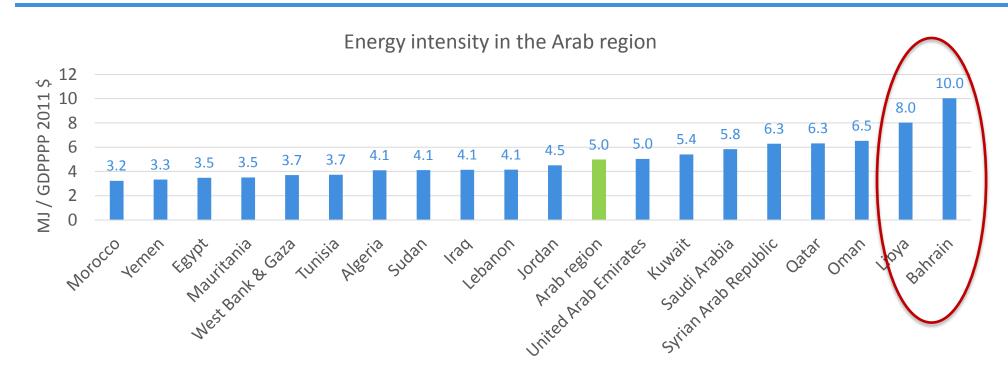
- What are the challenges in making modern energy access a universal good?
- For countries with incomplete access, what have been past **success factors** in raising access to electricity and CFTs?
- Are there avenues for cross-regional cooperation in terms of technology transfer, capacity building and flexible financing schemes?
- What impact have **conflict and political instability** had on energy access, and the quality of access over the racking period 2012-14?
- Is there Data Reporting Census at the Country level, data sources and major challenges for data shortcoming?

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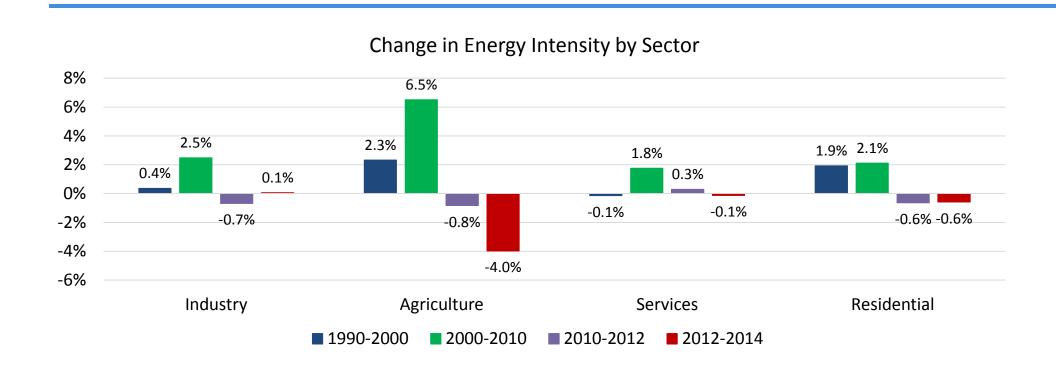
By aggregate comparison, the Arab region's energy intensity level lies between the most and the least energy-intensive world regions.

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On a country-by-country level, the Arab region includes a range of very different economies, from low energy intensity to some of the world's highest intensity rates.

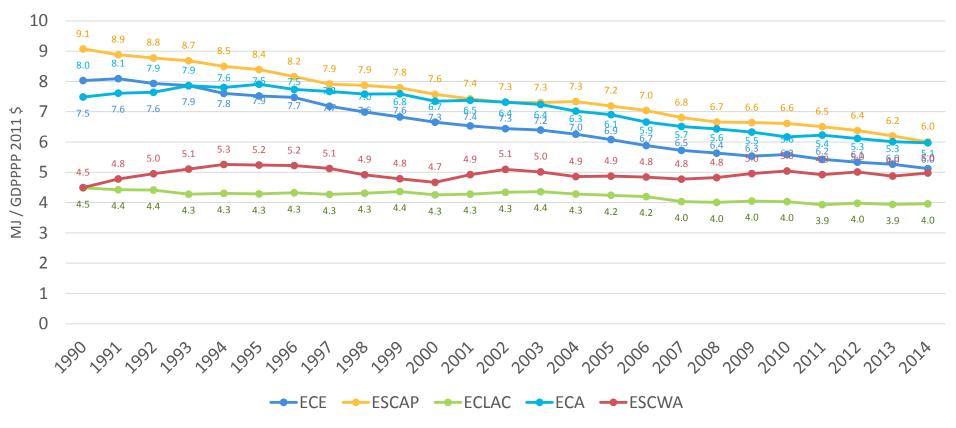
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A similarly undetermined trend across industries, with what looks like a slight downward trend since 2010.

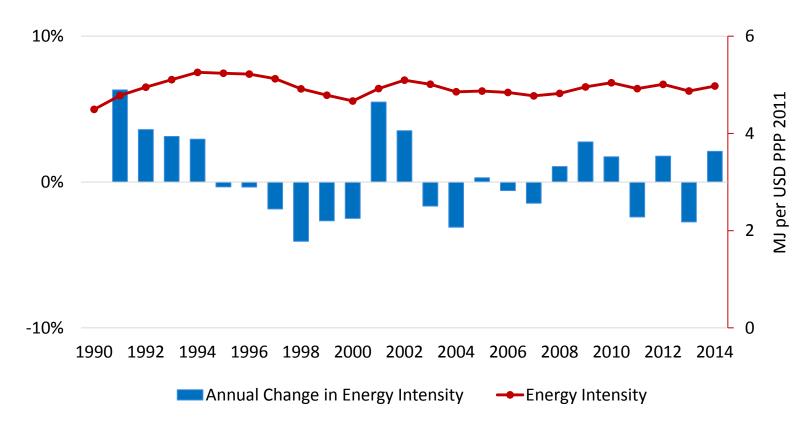
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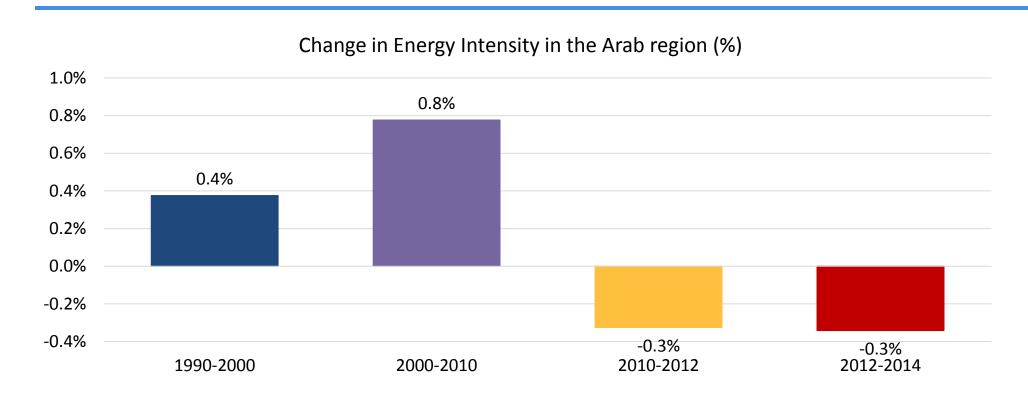


Energy intensity used as a proxy for energy efficiency

Fluctuating energy intensity as the norm, with no clear regional trend; net-decline 2012-14

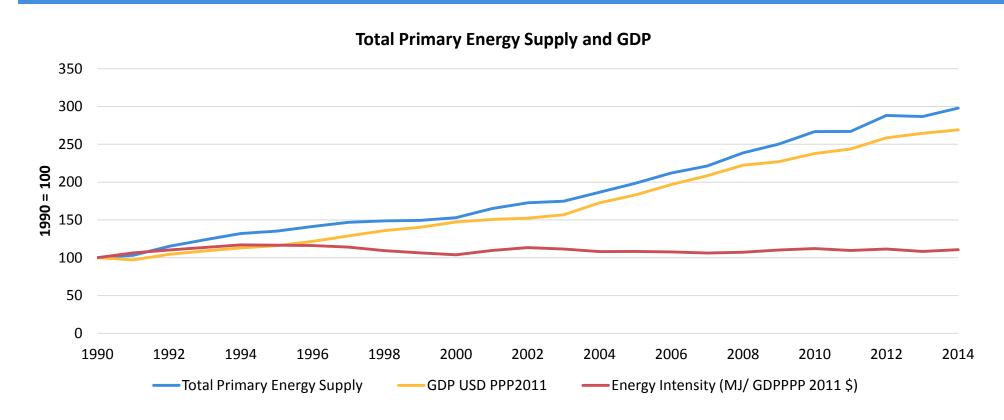
Reasons: fluctuations in GDP, changes in the composition of the economy, climatic effects, other?

Trend 2: Slow regional progress in energy efficiency



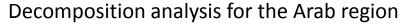
On a bi-annual trend energy intensity looks to be declining since 2010. Is this the beginning of a downward trend in regional energy intensity?

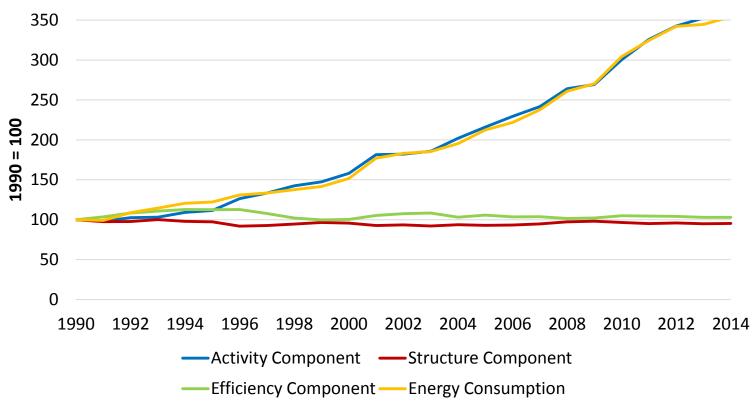
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Very slow (if any) decoupling of TPES and GDP growth at regional level

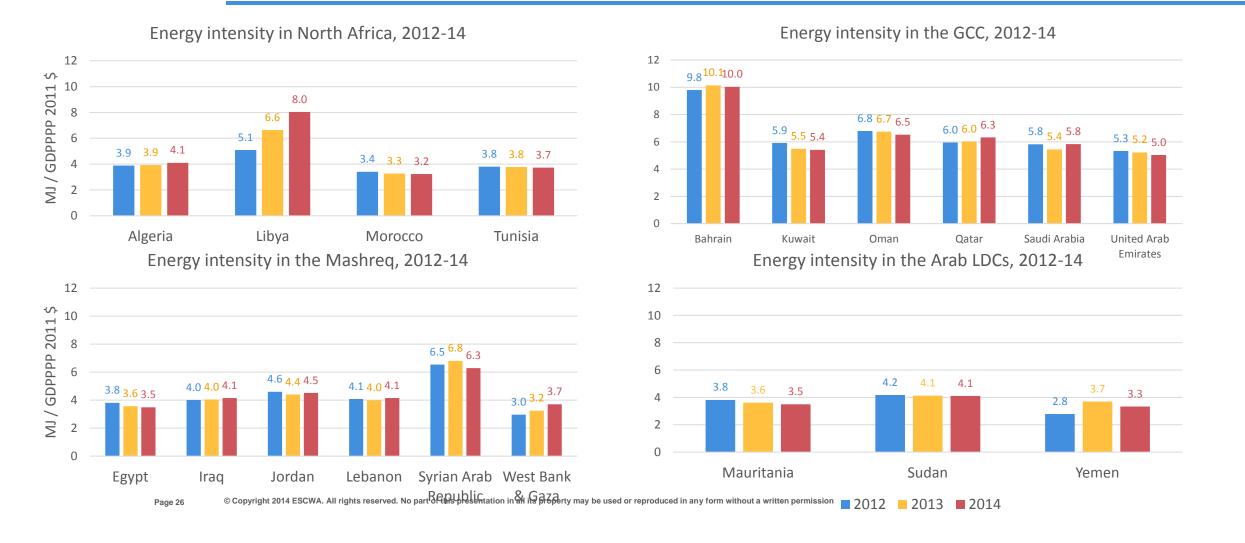
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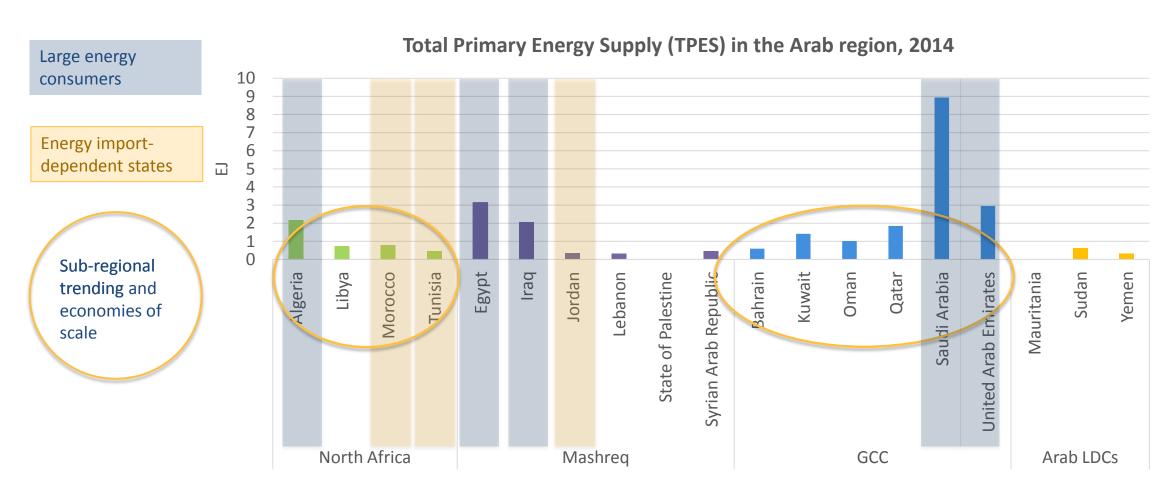


- Limited regional progress in increasing energy efficiency have hence been more than offset by growing economic activity
- Since 2010, the intensity component has remained virtually flat, indicating no progress over the tracking period
- With the exception of the global economic slowdown 2008-2009, the growth of economic activity has exerted a consistent upward pull on energy demand

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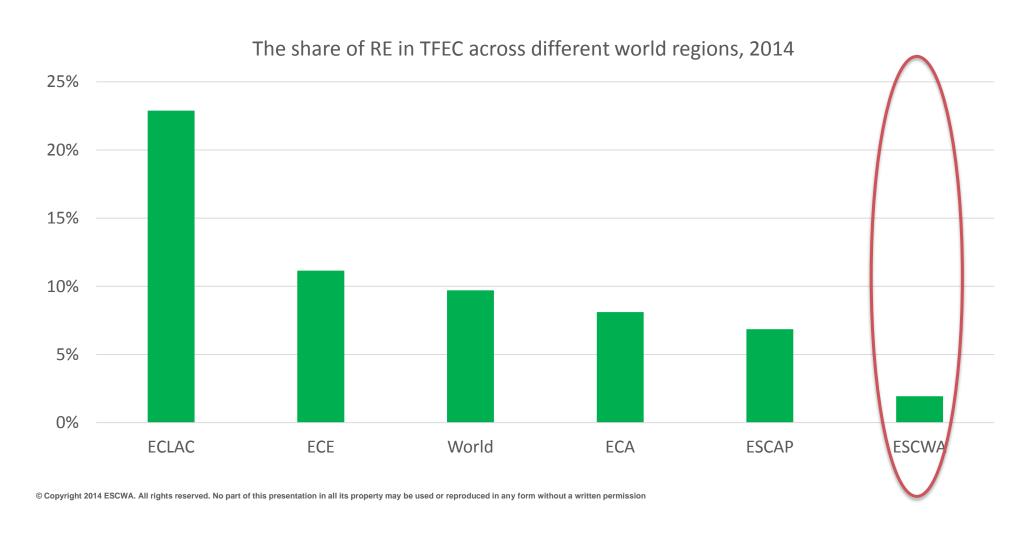
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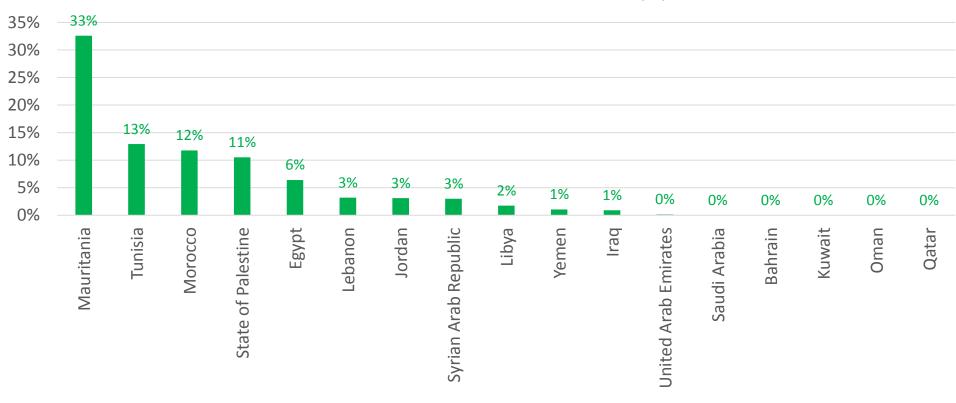
- What are the key areas for energy efficiency improvements by sector in the Arab region?
- What are the main challenges that have kept regional economies from realizing EE gains?
- Have international programmes been effective in helping countries increase their EE?
- ☐ Are there specific regional patterns of development that could be addressed at regional level to help increase the rate of EE investments and savings?
- □ Is there Data Reporting Census at the Country level, data sources and major challenges for data shortcoming?

Trend 1: A very low reach of renewable energy across the region's energy mix

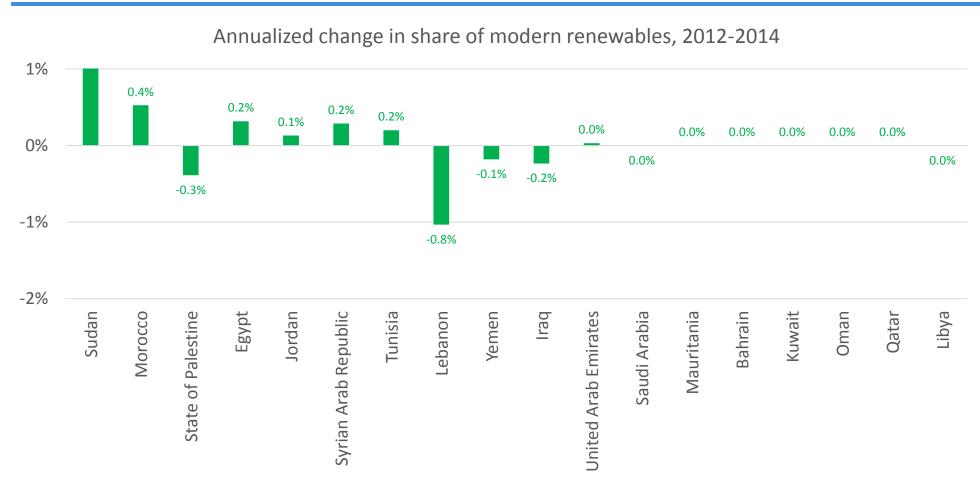


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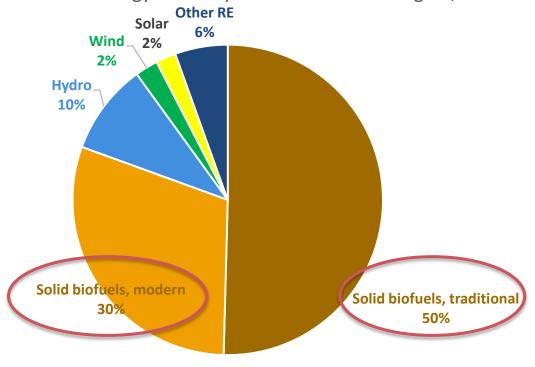


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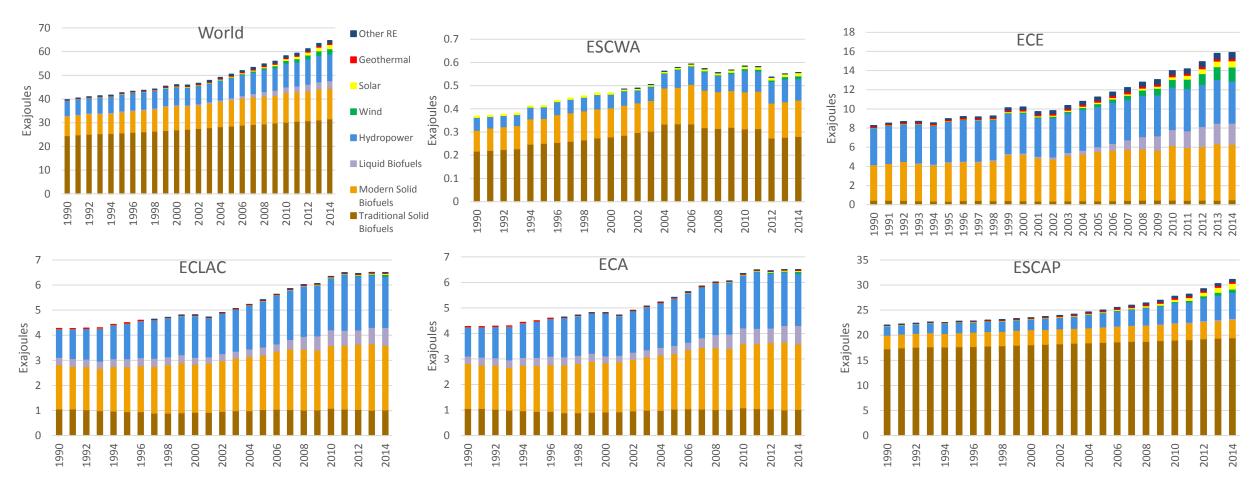
Final renewable energy consumption in the ESCWA region, 2014



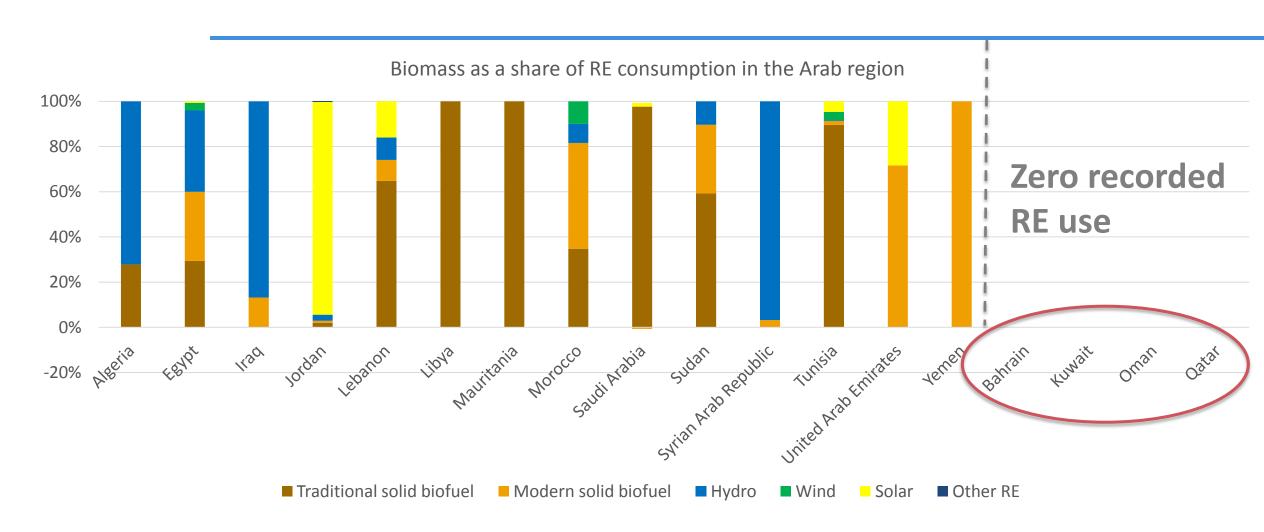
RE consumption in the Arab region

- 80% biomass
- > 50% traditional biomass

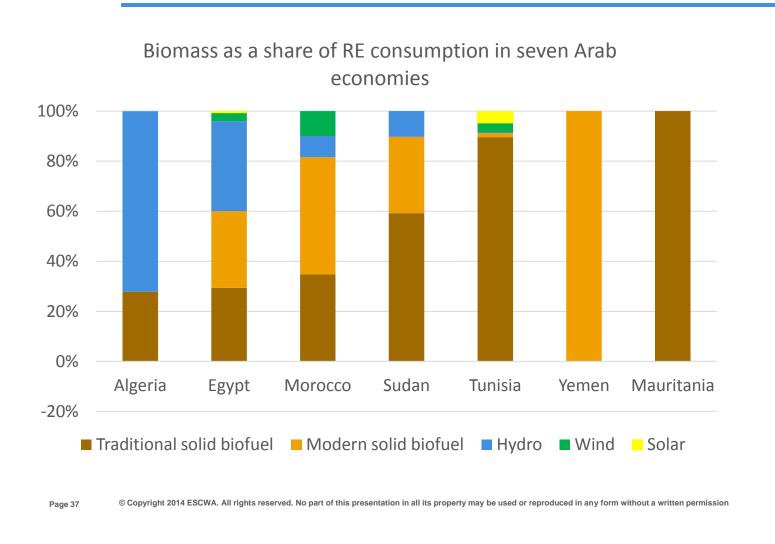
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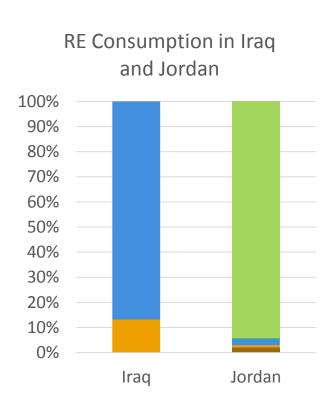


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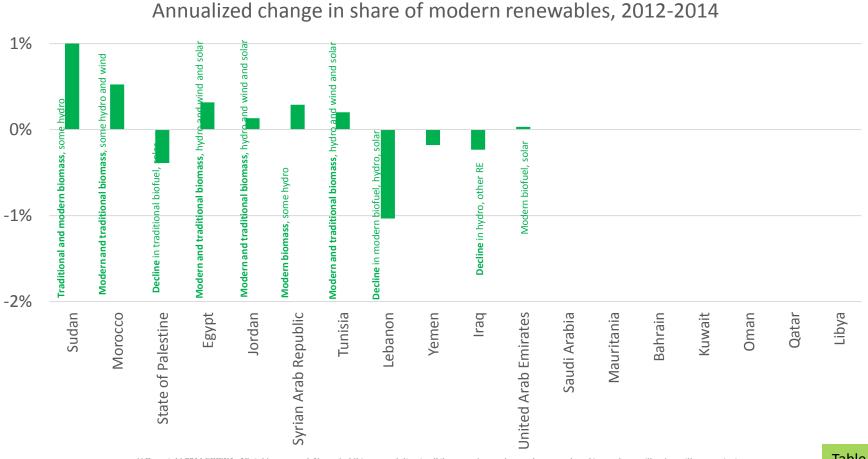


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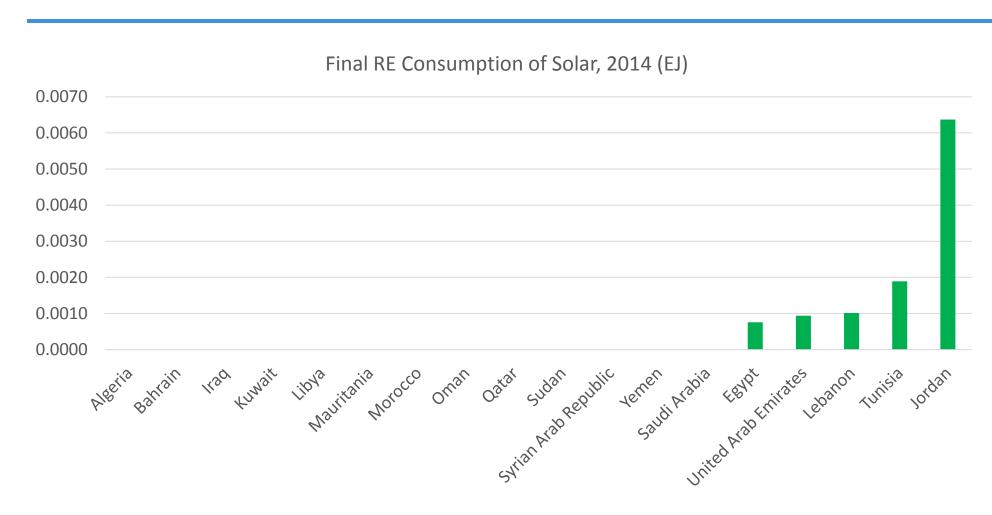


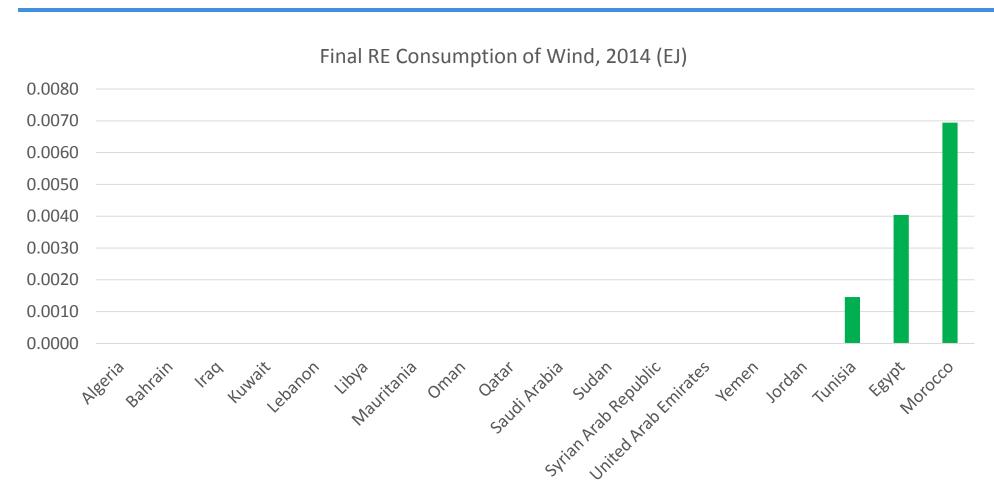
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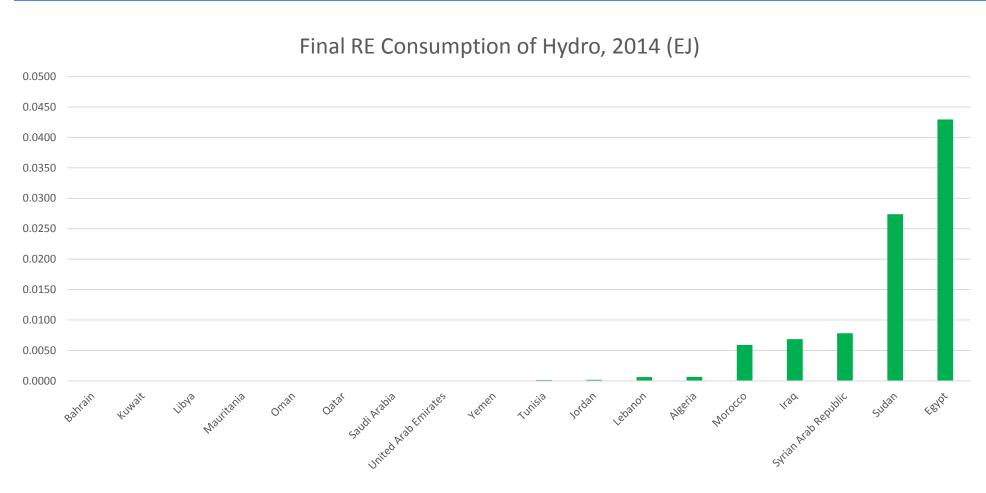


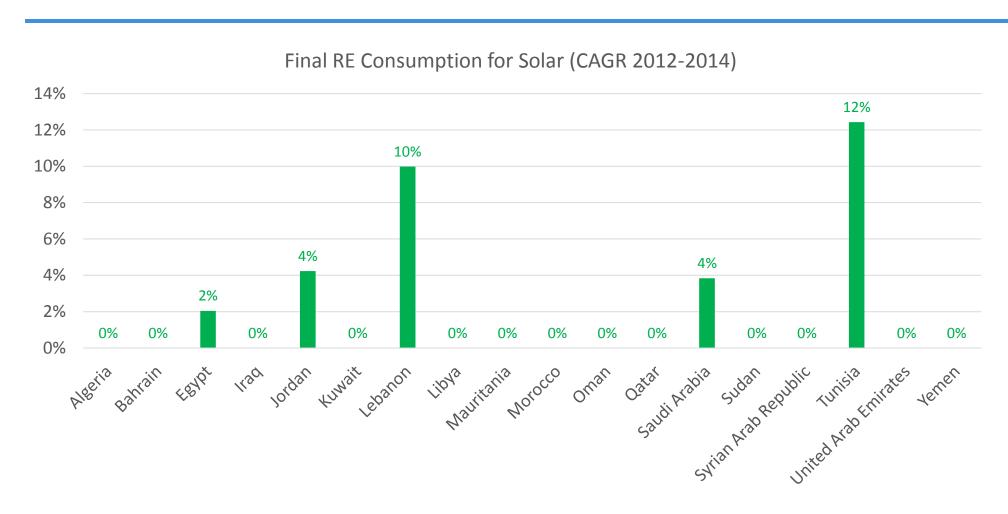
Even where only modern RE is considered, the highest growth in RE consumption as a share of TFEC in countries consuming biomass

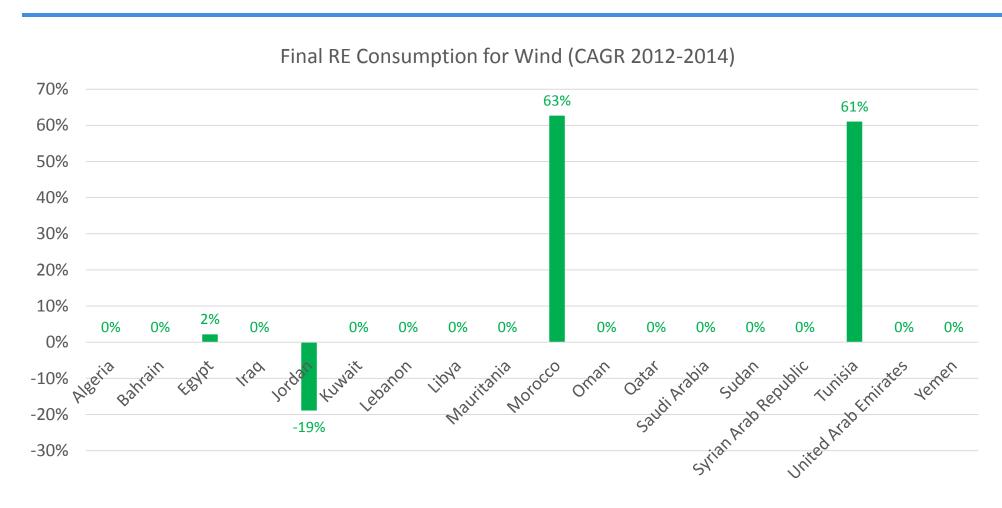
- Biomass continues to drive scalable increases in RE consumption
- **But**: a few countries account for most of this growth
- > RE consumption in the **Arab region aggregate** offers us a problematic measure of RE progress

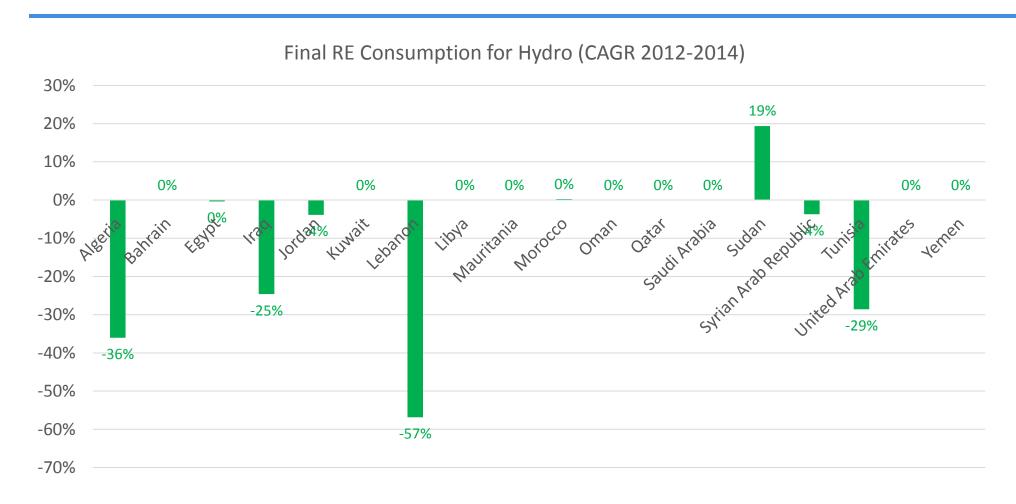






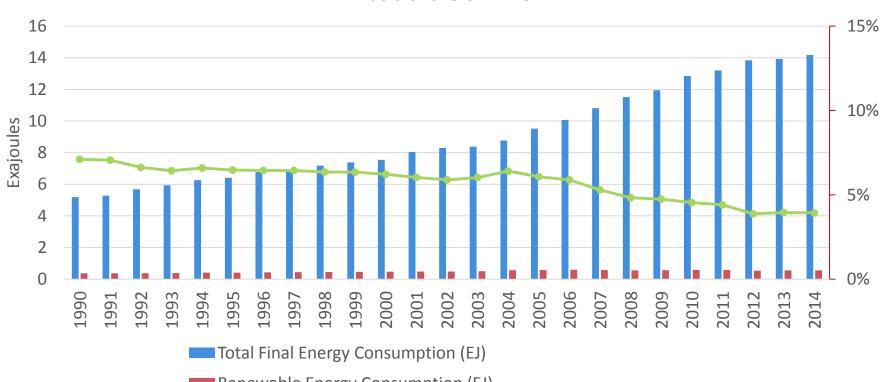






Trend 3: A regionally declining share of RE in TFEC





Declining share of RE in TFEC, due to

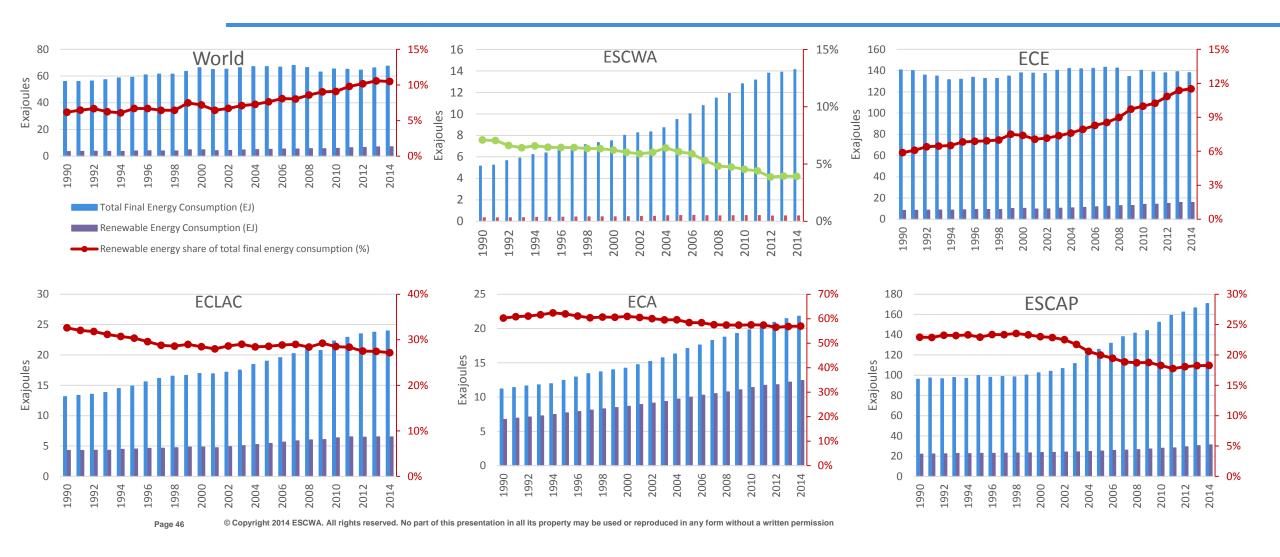
- LT trend declining biomass
- Very large additions to TFEC supplied by fossil fuels

Very small overall share of RE in TFEC

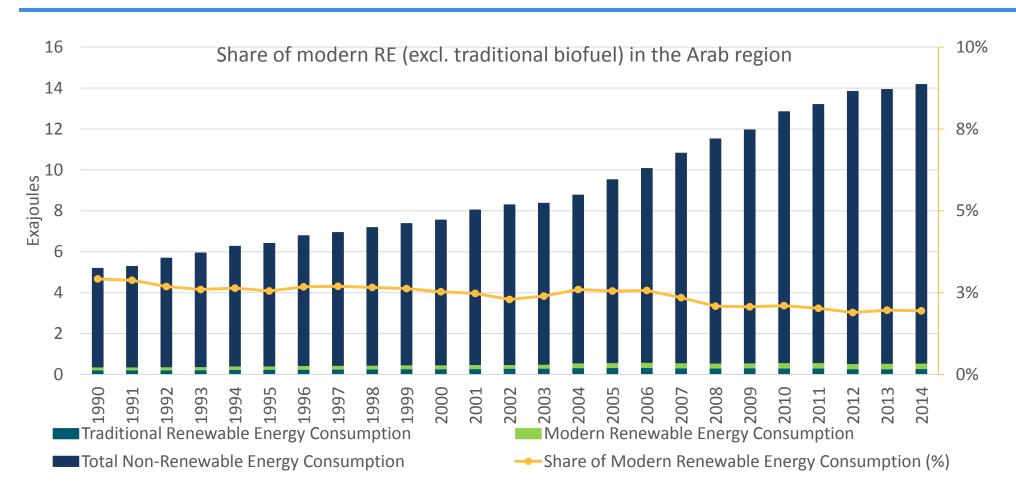
Renewable Energy Consumption (EJ)

--- Renewable energy share of total final energy consumption (%)

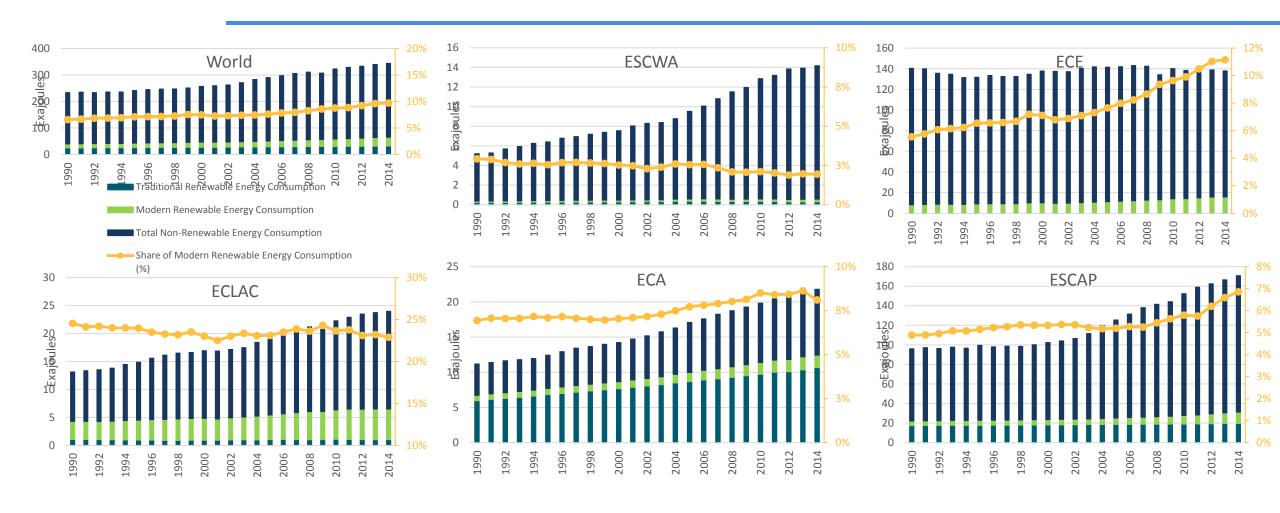
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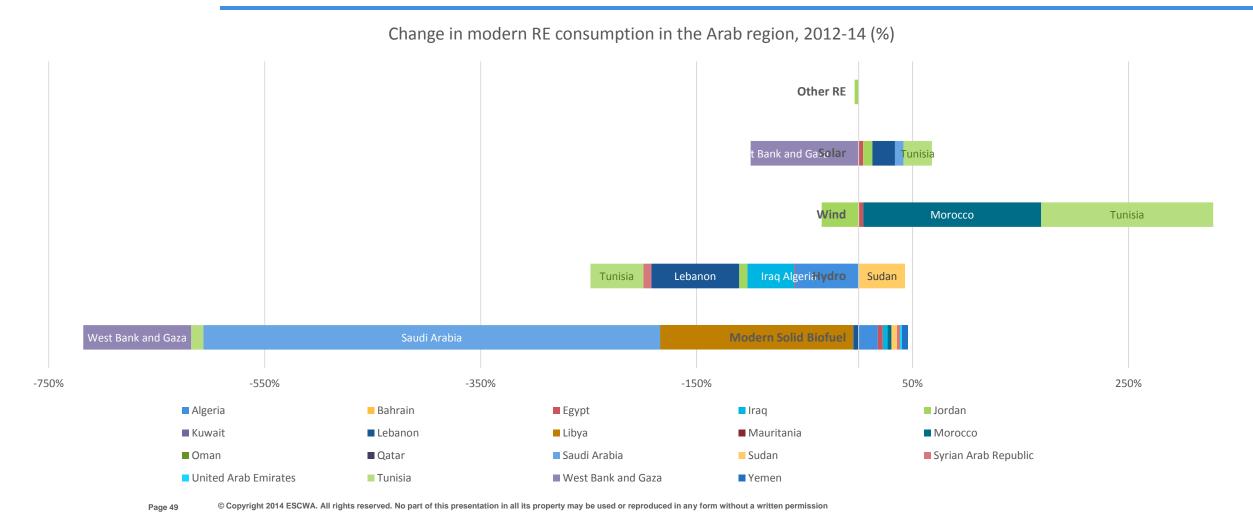
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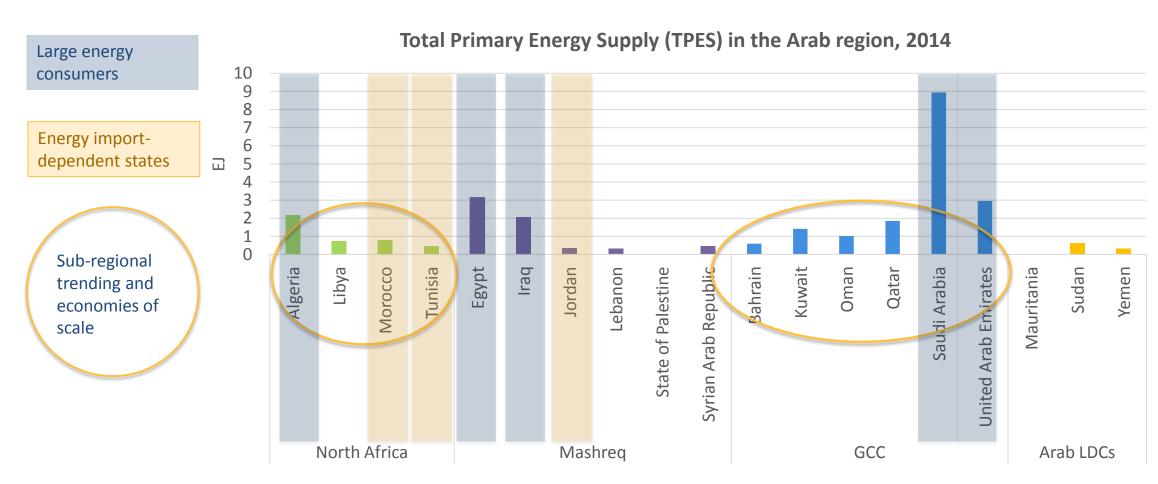
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Trend 2: Large differences between biomass users and all others



Who could be regional game changers?



Questions for further discussion

□ What are the key barriers to modern RE deployment in the Arab Region?
□ To what extent can RE support social and economic development, particularly in the rural/ remotes areas?
□ Is there Data Reporting Census at the Country level, data sources and major challenges for data shortcoming?
□ What role for cross-regional cooperation and investment in "green" energy, taking into consideration Climate Change Agreements and COP22 outcomes?
□ What are the plans and policy strategies of the governments of Arab countries for RE

technologies to be nationally localized?

Appendix

Modern renewable energy increment, 2012-2014

	Modern Solid Biofuel	Liquid Biofuel	Hydro	Wind	Solar	Geothermal	Other RE	Total
Algeria	0	0	-0.00094045	0	0	0	0	-0.000940447
Bahrain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
State of								
Palestine	-1.18755E-05	0	0		-0.0024713	0	0	-0.002483176
Iraq	4.42701E-05	0	-0.00520259	0	0	0	0	-0.005158321
Jordan	-1.10939E-08	0	-1.4334E-05	-3.1499E-06	0.000506793	0	-6.79474E-07	0.000488618
Kuwait	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lebanon	-3.07855E-05	0	-0.00274155	0	0.000175891	0	0	-0.002596441
Libya	-1.34015E-07	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1.34015E-07
Mauritania	0	0	0			0	0	0
Morocco	0.001124944	0	3.16929E-05	0.004319837	0	0	0	0.005476473
Oman	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Qatar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Saudi								
Arabia	-6.25442E-07	0	0	0	3.44674E-07	0	0	-2.80768E-07
Sudan	0.00403752	0	0.008169348	0	0	0	0	0.012206869
Syrian Arab								
Republic	7.85201E-06	0	-0.00061915	0	0	0	0	-0.000611297
United Arab								
Emirates	3.20114E-05	0	0	0	0.000936581	0	0	0.000968592
Tunisia	-8.58679E-05	0	-0.00015457	0.000895631	0.000394458	0	0	0.001049649
Egypt	0.001600709	0	-0.00032313	0.000168724	3.00449E-05	0	0	0.00147635
Yemen	0.000123191	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000123191
Total	0.006841198	0	-0.00179473	0.005381042	-0.00042719	0	-6.79474E-07	0.009999647

Total Primary Energy Supply (TPES)



