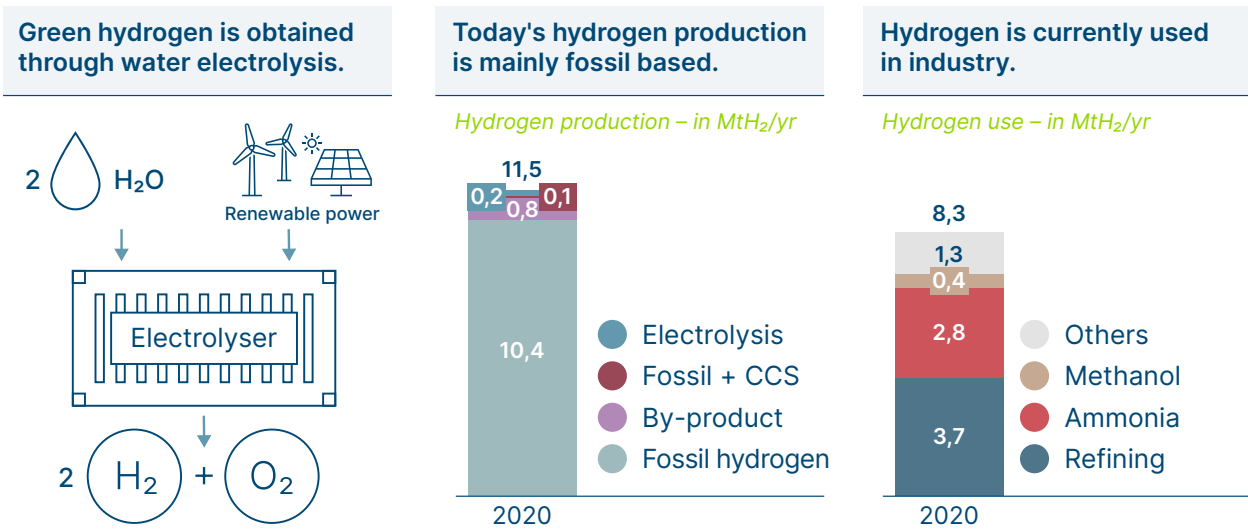


What you need to know about...

How green hydrogen can deliver energy security

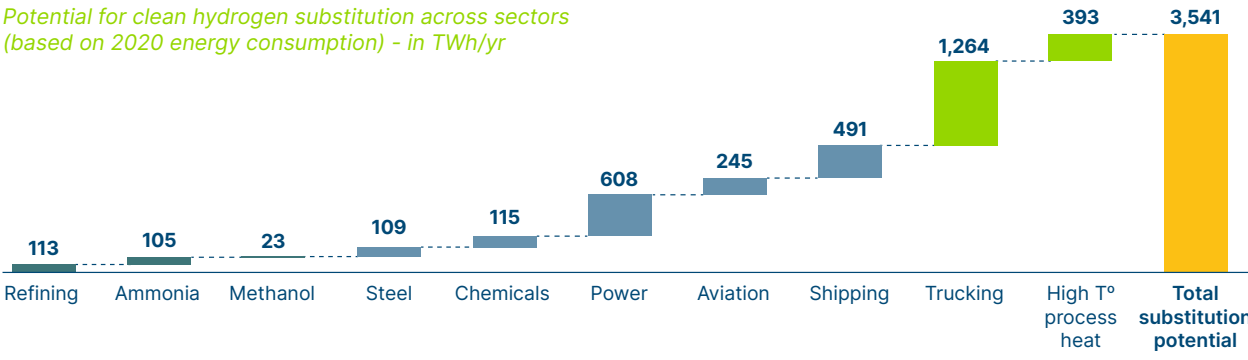
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What is green hydrogen and how is it used in Europe?



Where can green hydrogen be used?

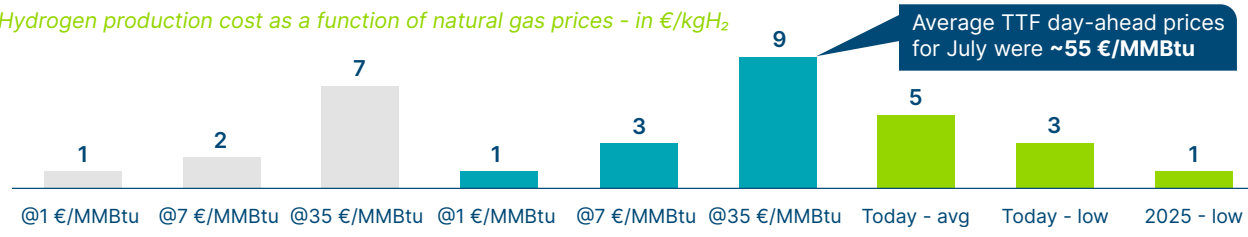
Green hydrogen can play an important role in improving energy security by diversifying away from fossil fuels - replacing existing demand for fossil-based hydrogen and meeting new demand as a complementary energy vector to electricity.



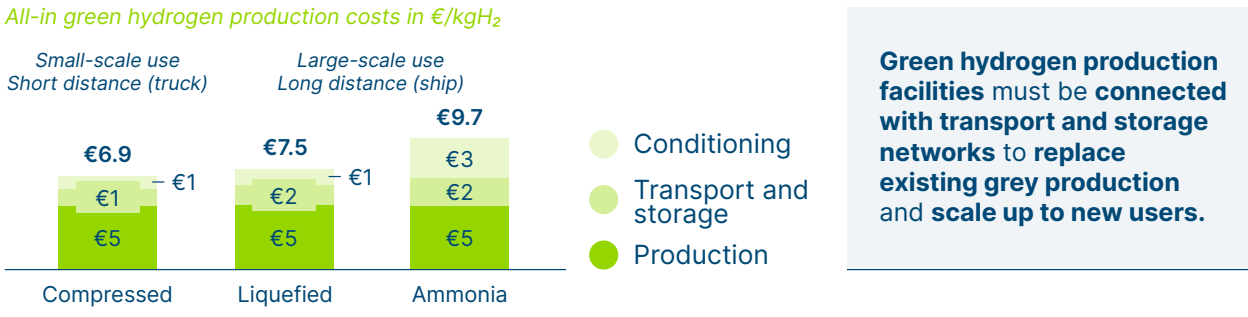
From grey to clean	Long-term need requiring development	Possible uses
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Replacing natural gas used as feedstock in existing hydrogen plants	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Replacing natural gas and coal in steel and chemicalsReplacing oil in aviation and shippingReplacing oil and natural gas in power production	<p>If electricity doesn't win:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Replacing oil in truckingReplacing natural gas in residential and high temperature heating

How cost-competitive is green hydrogen?

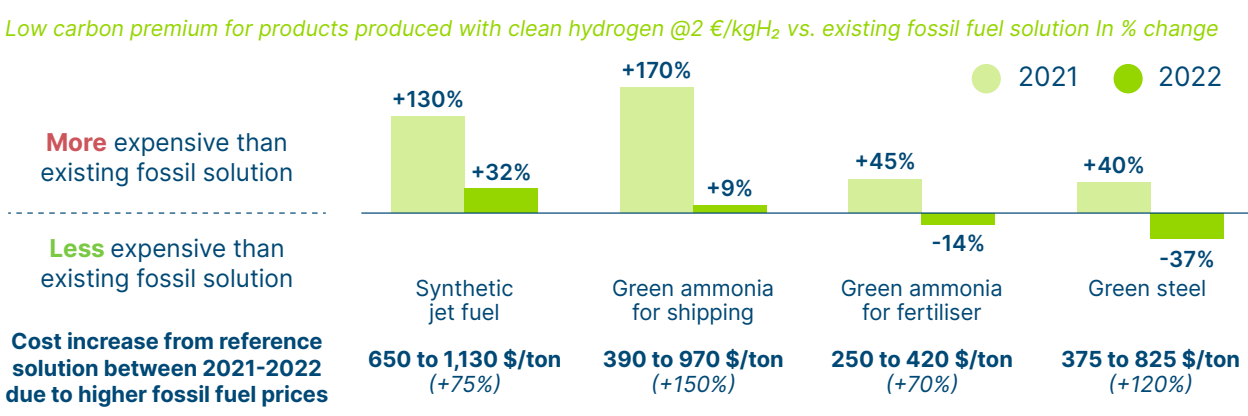
1 Green hydrogen is more expensive than grey or blue hydrogen, although costs are falling and current high natural gas prices are making green hydrogen increasingly competitive today.



2 Transport and storage networks will be required to link low-cost green hydrogen production with end-uses.

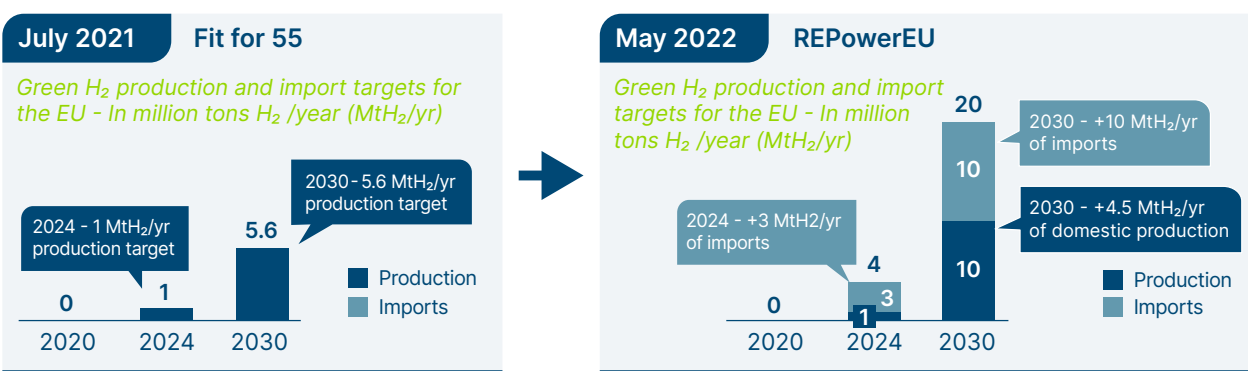


3 There is a "green premium" for many applications of green hydrogen, although this has been reduced by the recent increase in fossil fuel prices.



What are the EU's ambitions for green hydrogen?

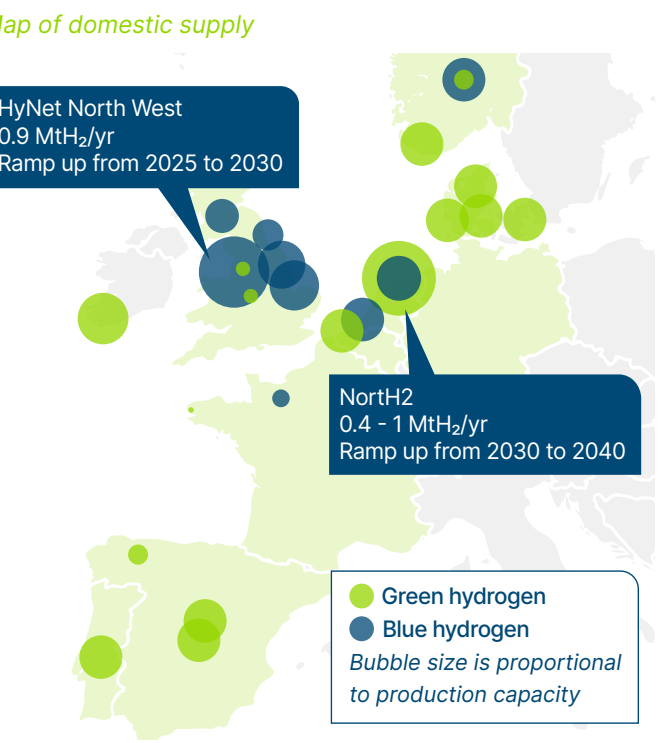
The EU has recently raised its ambition for green hydrogen supply, especially for imports.



Where can the EU get green hydrogen from?

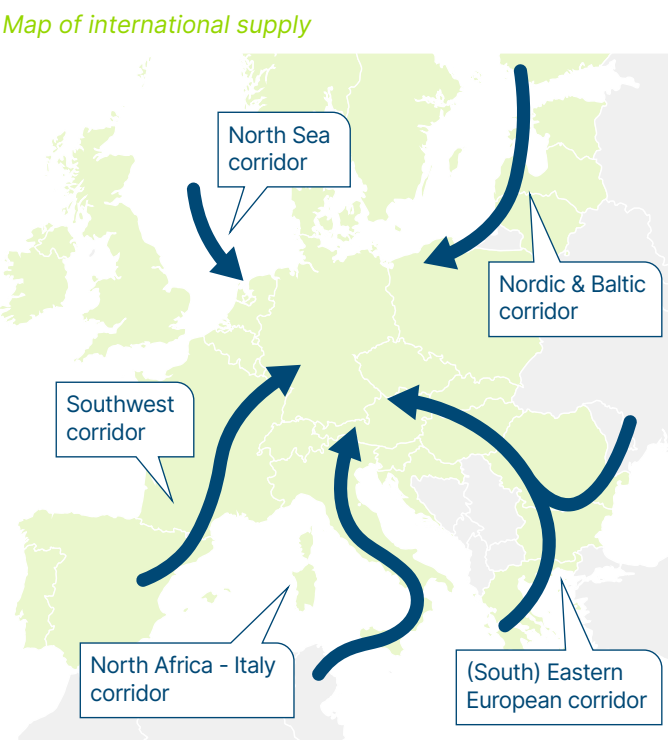
Domestic

Several green hydrogen facilities are scheduled to come online before 2030, the largest of these are in Spain, the Netherlands, Sweden and Germany.



Imports

Hydrogen can be imported either as a compressed gas in pipelines or in liquid form (-253°C) by ships. Hydrogen vectors such as ammonia can also be used.



What is needed for green hydrogen to develop and meet targets?

	Domestic	Imports
Supply	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Provide direct investment support and access to low-cost capitalProvide access to lower power prices (PPAs, grid tariff waivers, power market design)Ban greenfield unabated grey hydrogen plantsStreamline permitting for renewable generation for hydrogen production	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Adapt & expand regulatory & safety frameworks for H₂ and ammoniaNational infrastructure planning to design international hydrogen networksGovernment support (e.g. blended finance) for import infrastructure build outImprove technological readiness of liquid transport fuel
Demand	<p>Beyond supply, green hydrogen demand must also be scaled up. Mitigating the increased costs would require:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Imposing a carbon tax of \$100/ton by 2030Stimulating early demand (e.g. mandates, public procurement, voluntary green market)Providing investment support to reduce the "green premium"	