# What is considered a CRM may need to be revisited

Minerals are the new oil



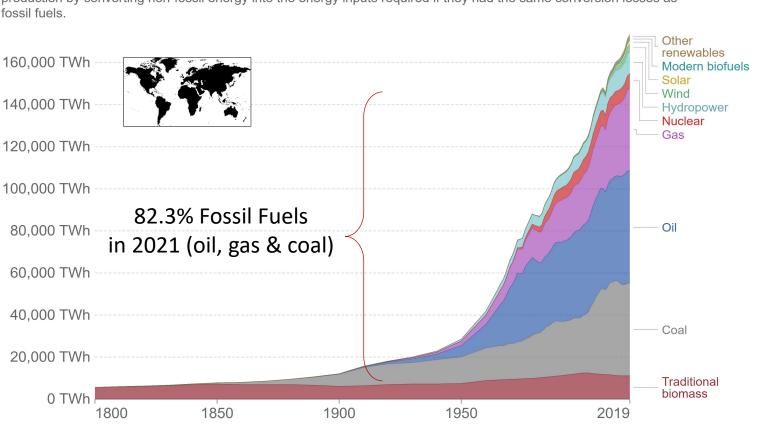
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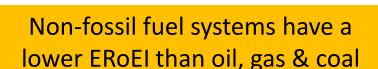
### The system is still dependent on fossil fuel energy

Our World in Data



#### Global primary energy consumption by source

Primary energy is calculated based on the 'substitution method' which takes account of the inefficiencies in fossil fuel production by converting non-fossil energy into the energy inputs required if they had the same conversion losses as fossil fuels.



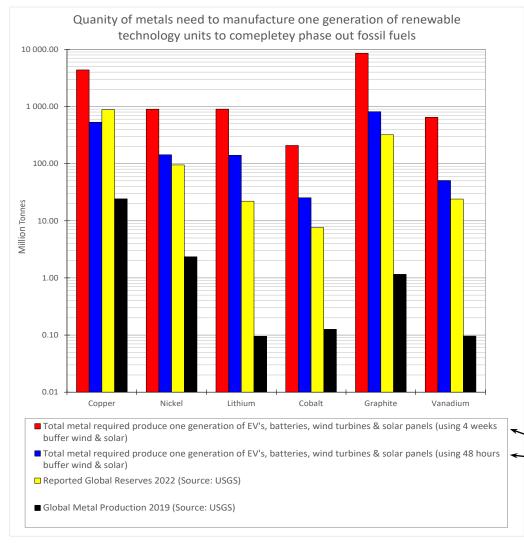
Non-fossil fuel mining will be more expensive and less effective

What is considered a viable mineral reserve could then be unviable, thus shrink in size

Source: Vaclav Smil (2017) & BP Statistical Review of World Energy



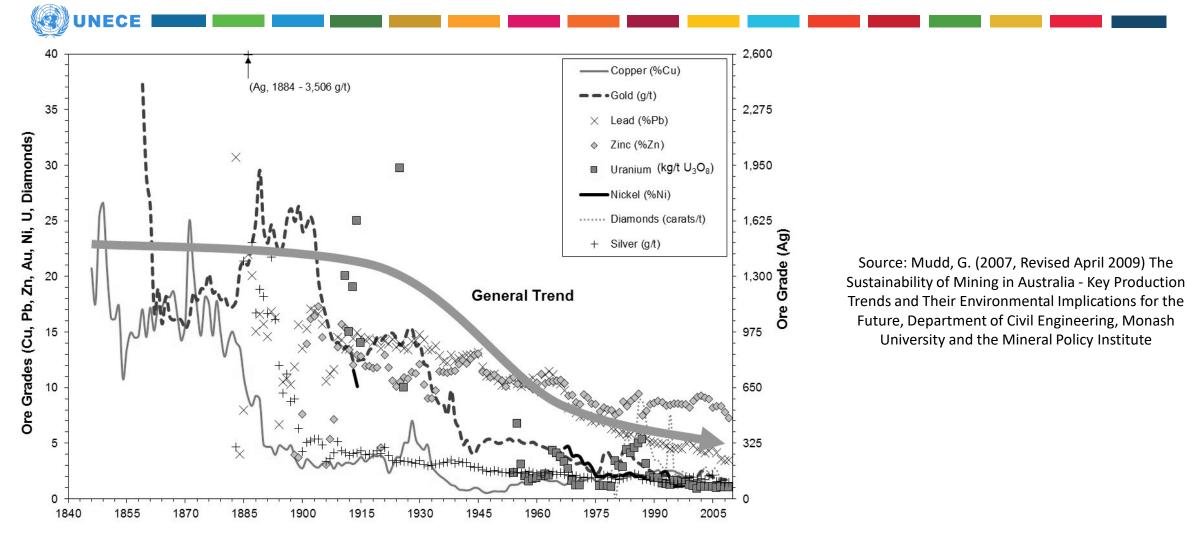
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- 0.7% of passenger cars were EV in 2020
- In 2018, renewables accounted for 4.05% of the global energy generation.
- What is not constructed yet, cannot be recycled
- The 1<sup>st</sup> generation at least must come from mining

Remember, this is for just the first generation of units. They will wear out in 10 to 25 years, after which they will need to be replaced

### Metal grade in mining has been decreasing



# **Thank you!**

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