Commodity Price Determinants Beyond Supply Demand Equation

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Commodity Price Determinants Beyond Supply Demand

- Pandemics
- Weather
- Monetary Policy Cycles

The amplitude of impact of these has progressively intensified in past two decades

Now

- Pandemic like Never Before
- Weather Morphed into Climate Change
- Geopolitical Conflict

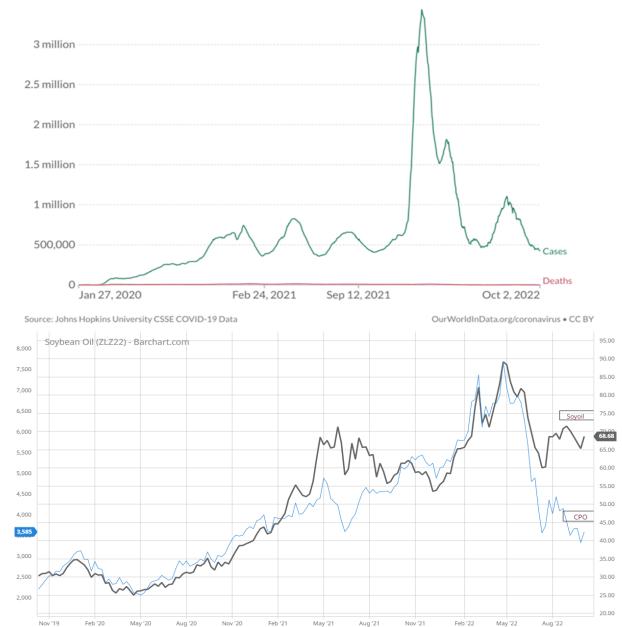
Covid-19 Pandemic

Daily new confirmed COVID-19 cases and deaths, World

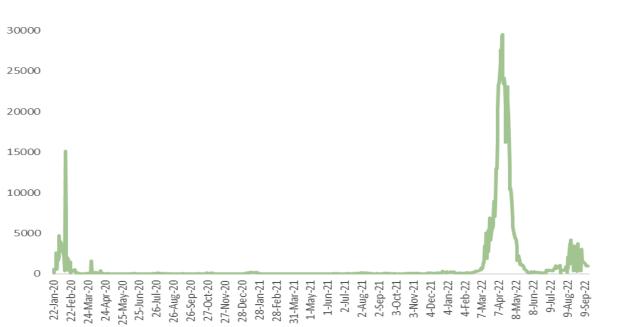
7-day rolling average. Limited testing and challenges in the attribution of cause of death mean the cases and deaths counts may not be accurate.

Our World in Data

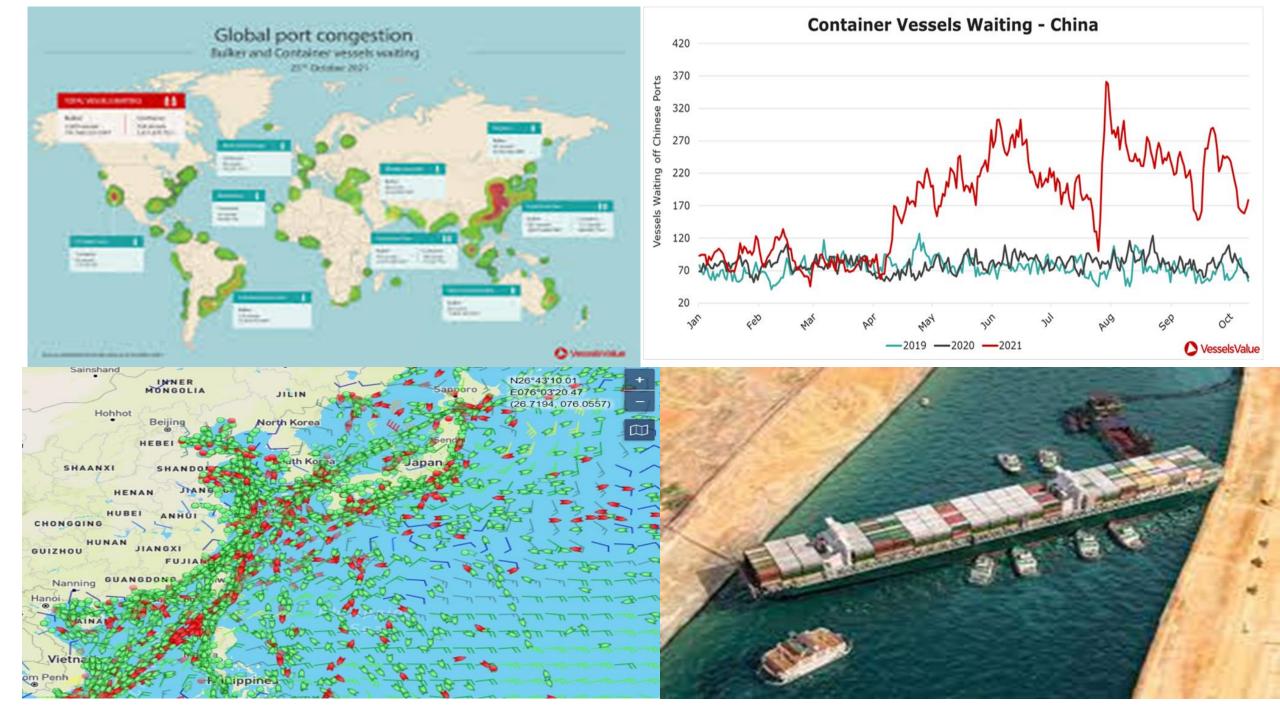
35000



China Covid Cases





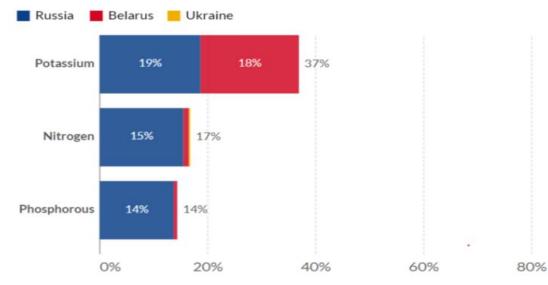


Freight Rates go Through the Roof, peaked in October 2021



Geopolitical Conflicts

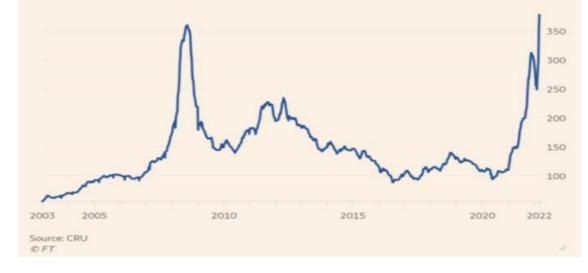
Global fertilizer exports: how much comes from Russia, Belarus & Ukraine?, 2019

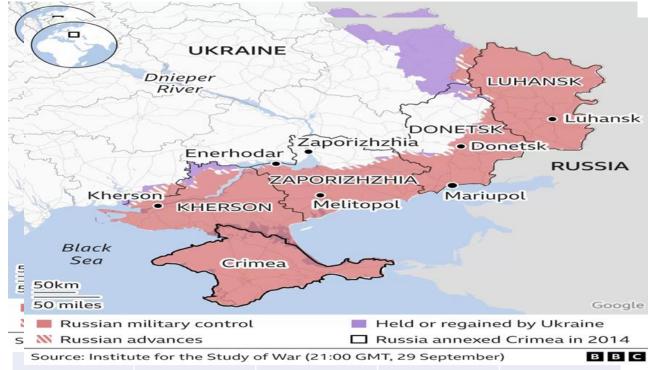


Source: Calculated by Our World in Data based on Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations OurWorldInData.org/fertilizers • CC BY

Fertiliser prices hit new highs

CRU Fertiliser price index (Jan 2006=100)





Annual Exports by Ukraine & Russia mn metric tonnes Ukraine Russia % global % global Quantity Exports Quantity **Exports** 18 33 9

17

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Wheat

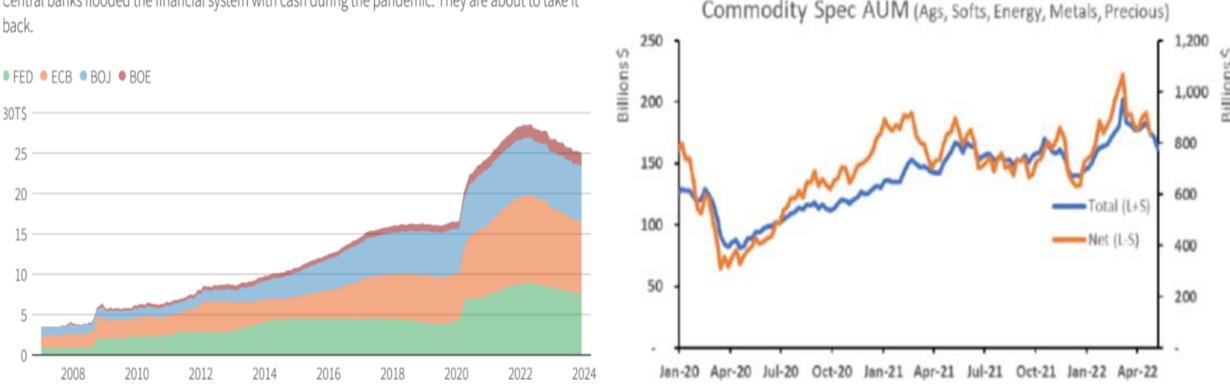
Corn

Barley

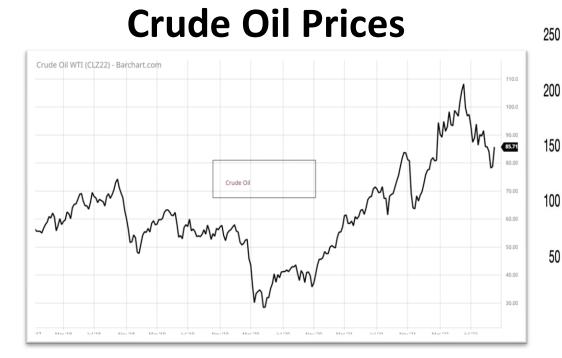
Sunoil

Consequent to Monetary Stimulus, Supply Chain Disruptions and Russian Ukraine Invasion.....

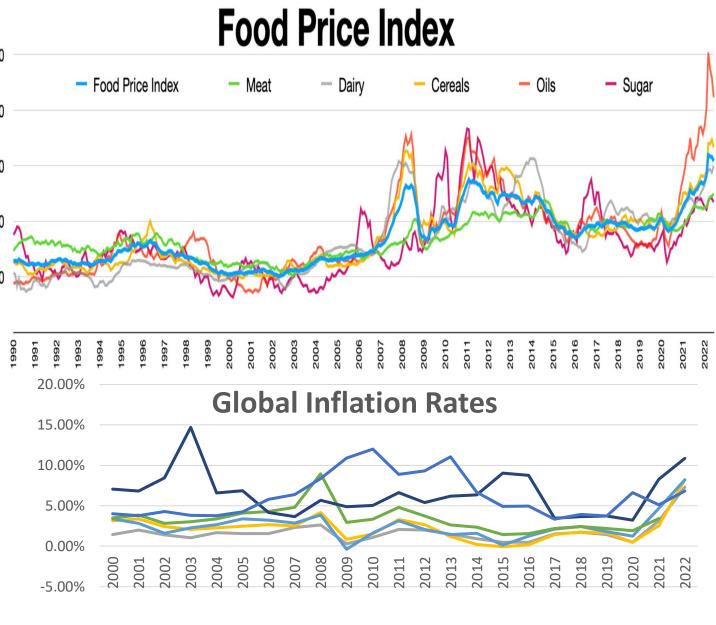
Monetary Stimulus: Cash Chased Assets



Central banks flooded the financial system with cash during the pandemic. They are about to take it back.



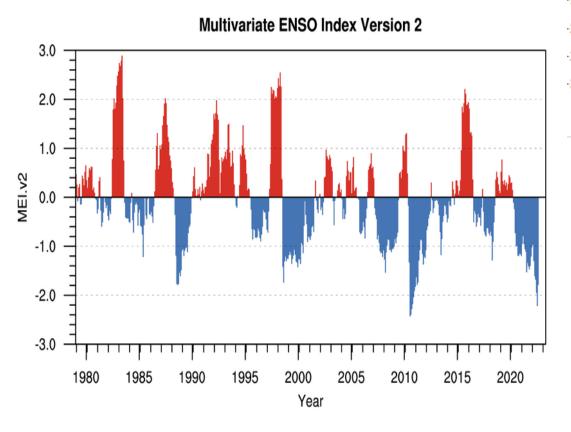
High Inflation was Inevitable

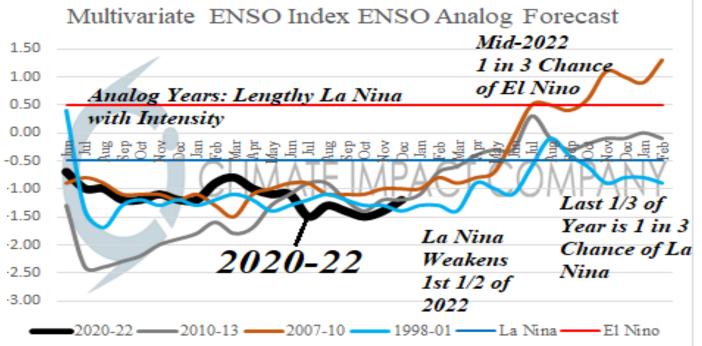


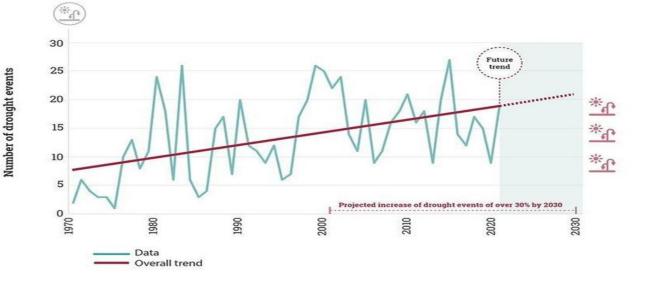
Frequent Long Duration La Nina events and Unusual Weather Had Their Toll on Food Production

Long Duration La Nina Episodes More Frequent

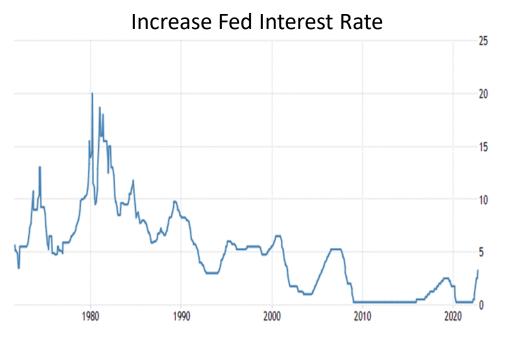
Probability of Draughts increasing





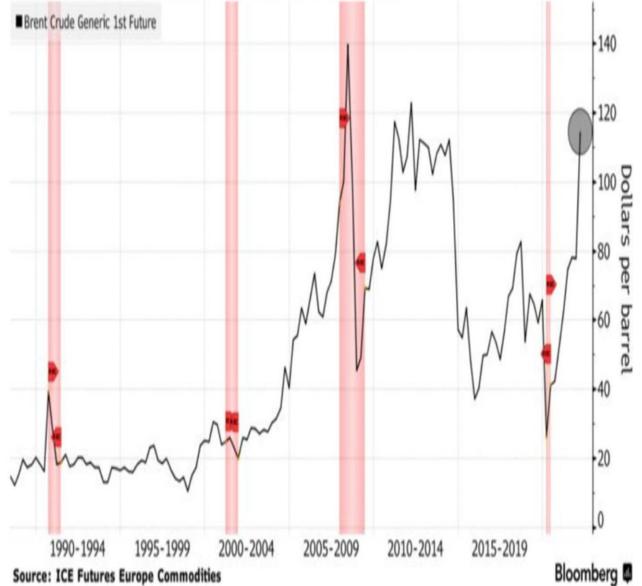


Pull Back, What Else What Next?



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Recession Alarm? Oil-price spikes associated with some past downturns

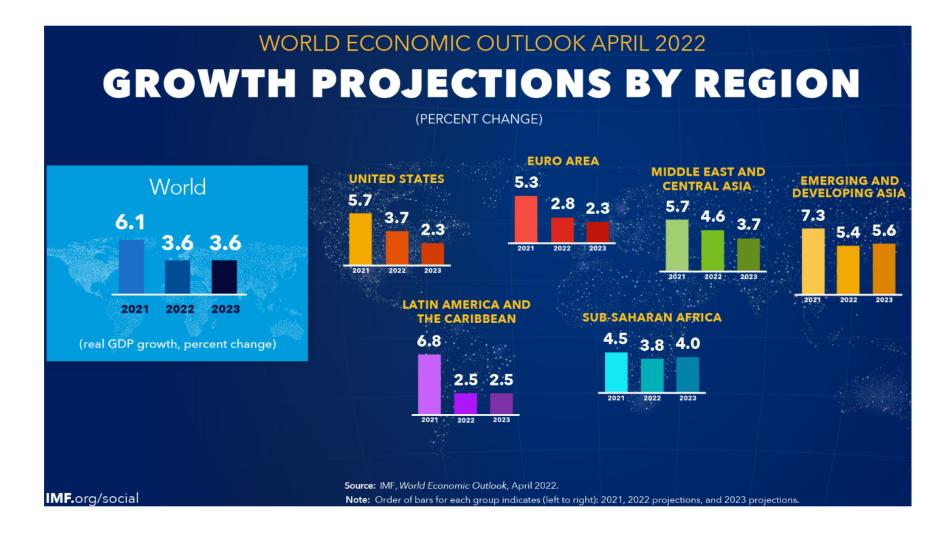


A classic recession signal

When the spread between the 10-year Treasury yield and the 3-month yield dropped below zero, a recession (shaded area) has usually followed.



Source: U.S. Treasury; Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis



Early Signs of Tight money Policy Working- A Glimmer of Hope.

But it Could Be a Red Herring

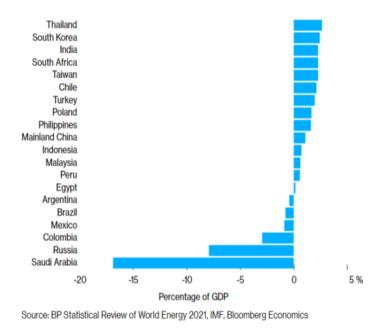


Russian Invasion Failing? But he Holds Too Much of Ukrainian Territory.

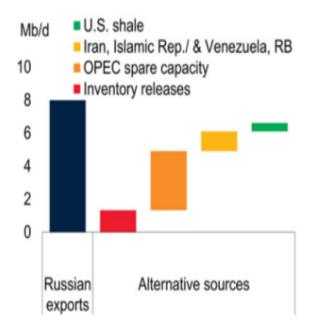
Uncertainty Prevails as Putin Could Deploy Nuclear Arsenal or be Deposed pushing Russia Farther to the Right.

Expectation of Cheap Oil Could be Misplaced

Net Oil Imports as a Percentage of GDP for Emerging Economies



D. Alternative sources of oil



- ✓ Following COP 26 pledges, Oil Companies had slowed down investments (upstream and downstream)
- Draughts in China and Europe led to a return to coal.
- ✓ No spare capacity to meet the surge in demand post-recession.
- ✓ OPEC+ Cartel

Thank You