

# Real oil prices in historical perspective

Selected indicators

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# Front-month Brent futures prices

Nominal and real U.S.\$ per barrel

Month-end prices except for most recent month

	Nominal Brent price U.S.\$ per barrel	Real Brent price U.S.\$ per barrel Aug 2021 dollars	Real Brent price percentile all months since 1990	Real Brent price percentile all months since 2000	Real Brent price percentile all months since 2010
Oct 2021	82.55	82.55	0.72	0.50	0.56
Oct 2020	37.46	38.85	0.33	0.08	0.02
Oct 2019	60.23	63.48	0.57	0.30	0.29
Oct 2018	75.47	81.40	0.71	0.49	0.53
Mar 2020	22.74	23.81	0.03	0.00	0.00
Jun 2008	139.83	181.32	1.00	1.00	...

Sources: ICE Futures Europe and U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics  
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# Brent crude prices, 1990-2021

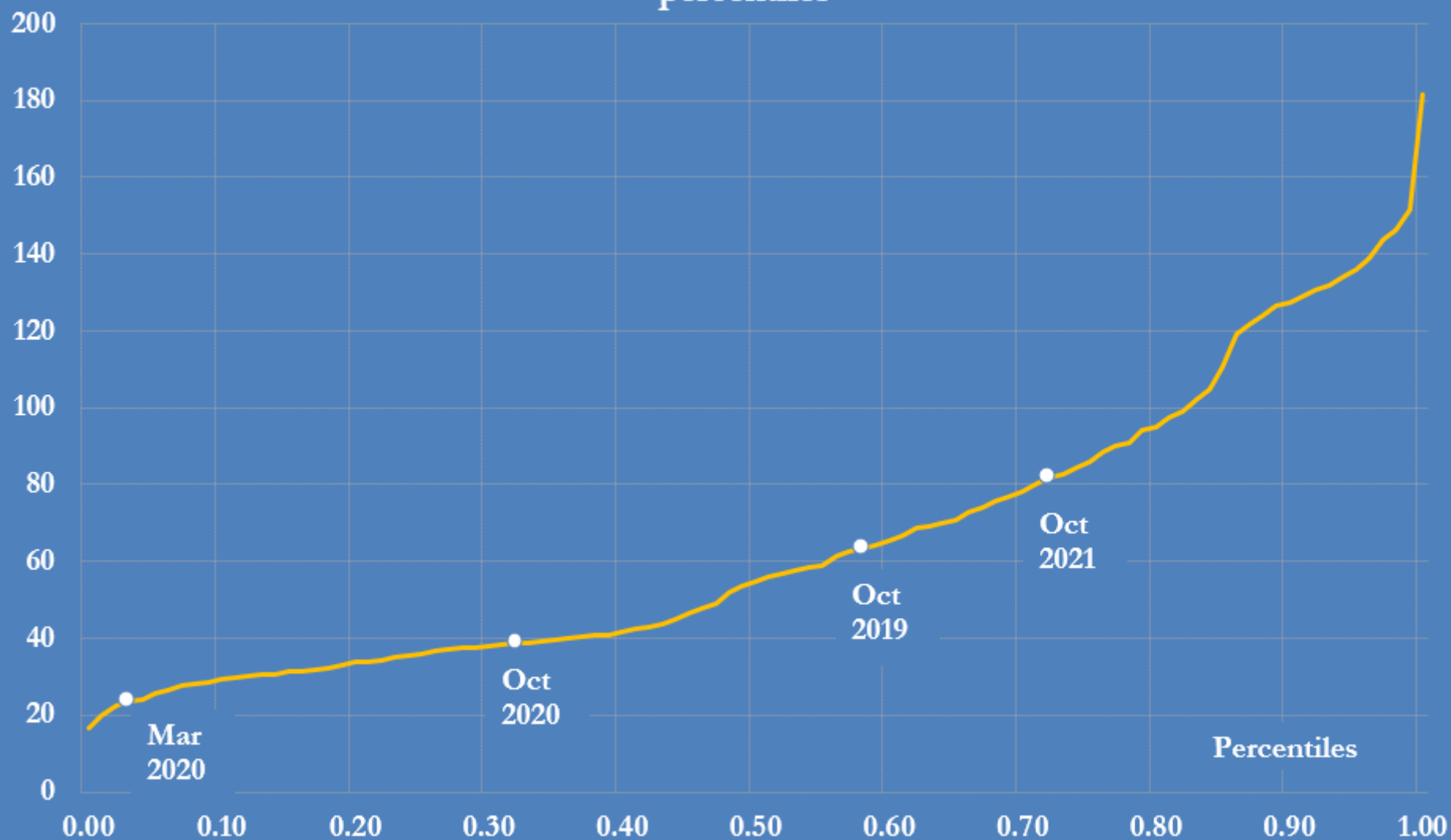
end-month, adjusted for inflation, 2021 U.S\$/bbl



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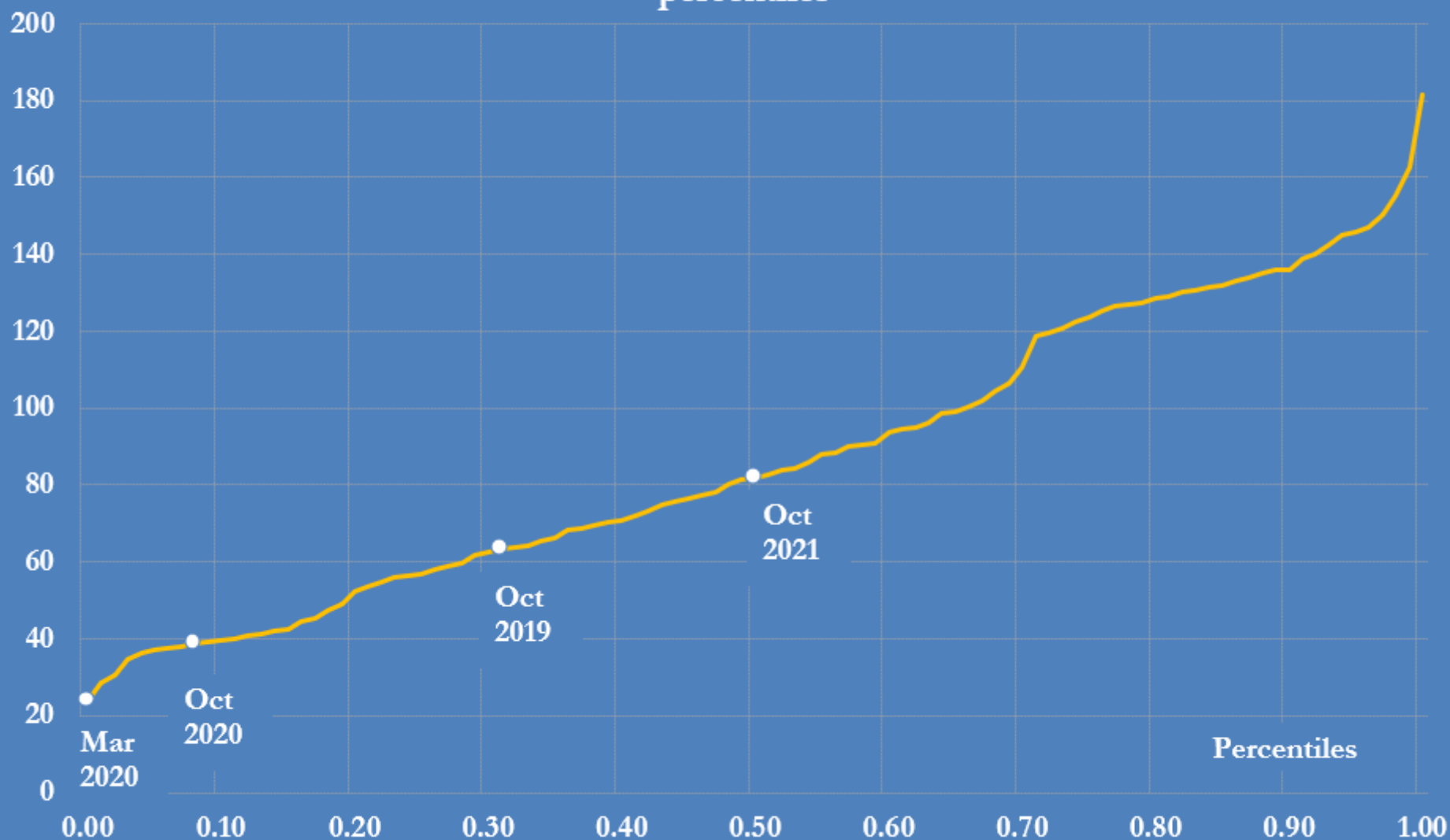
**Brent crude prices, 1990-2021**  
end-month, adjusted for inflation, 2021 U.S\$/bbl  
percentiles



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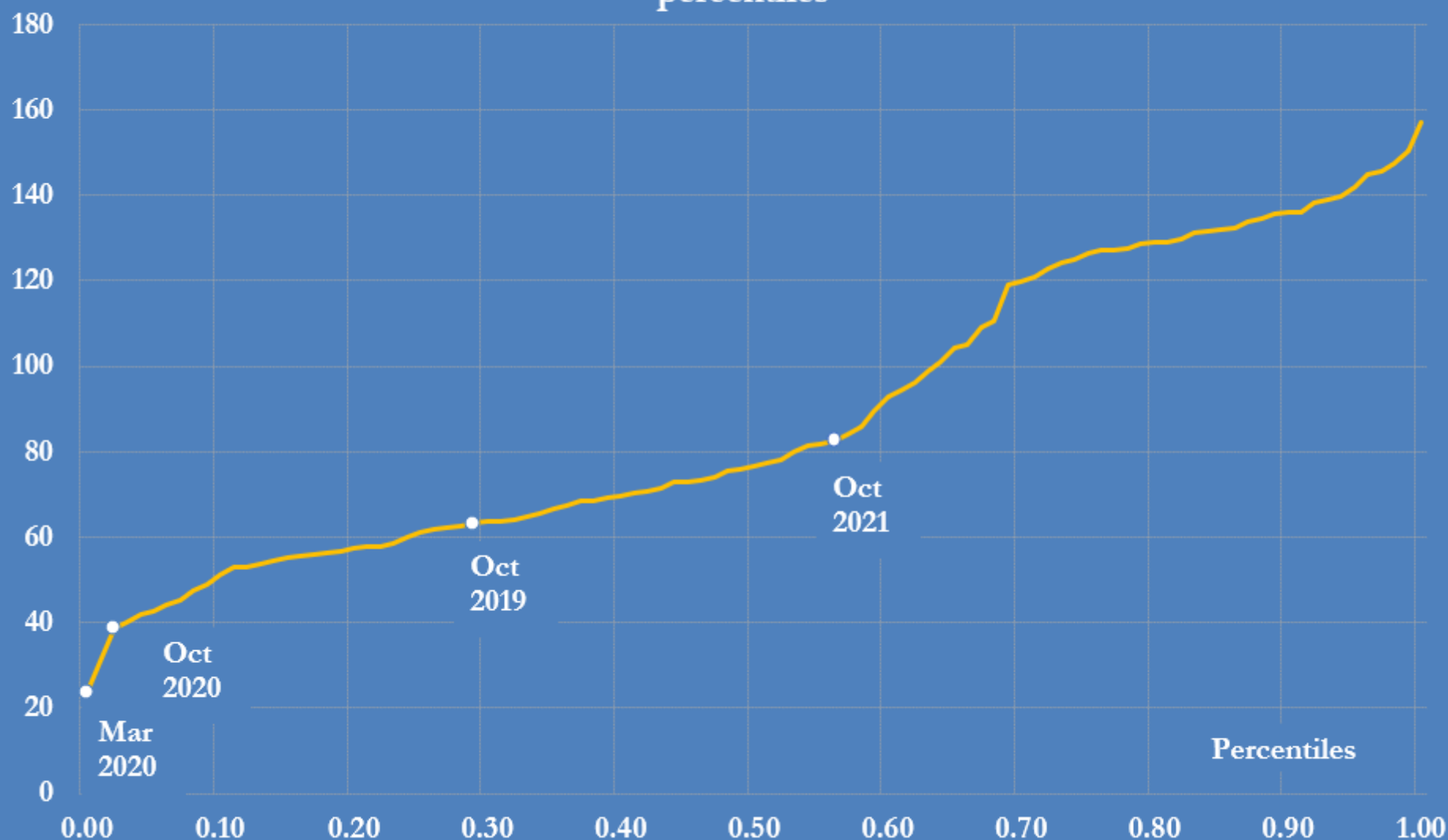
**Brent crude prices, 2000-2021**  
end-month, adjusted for inflation, 2021 U.S\$/bbl  
percentiles



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**Brent crude prices, 2010-2021**  
end-month, adjusted for inflation, 2021 U.S\$/bbl  
percentiles

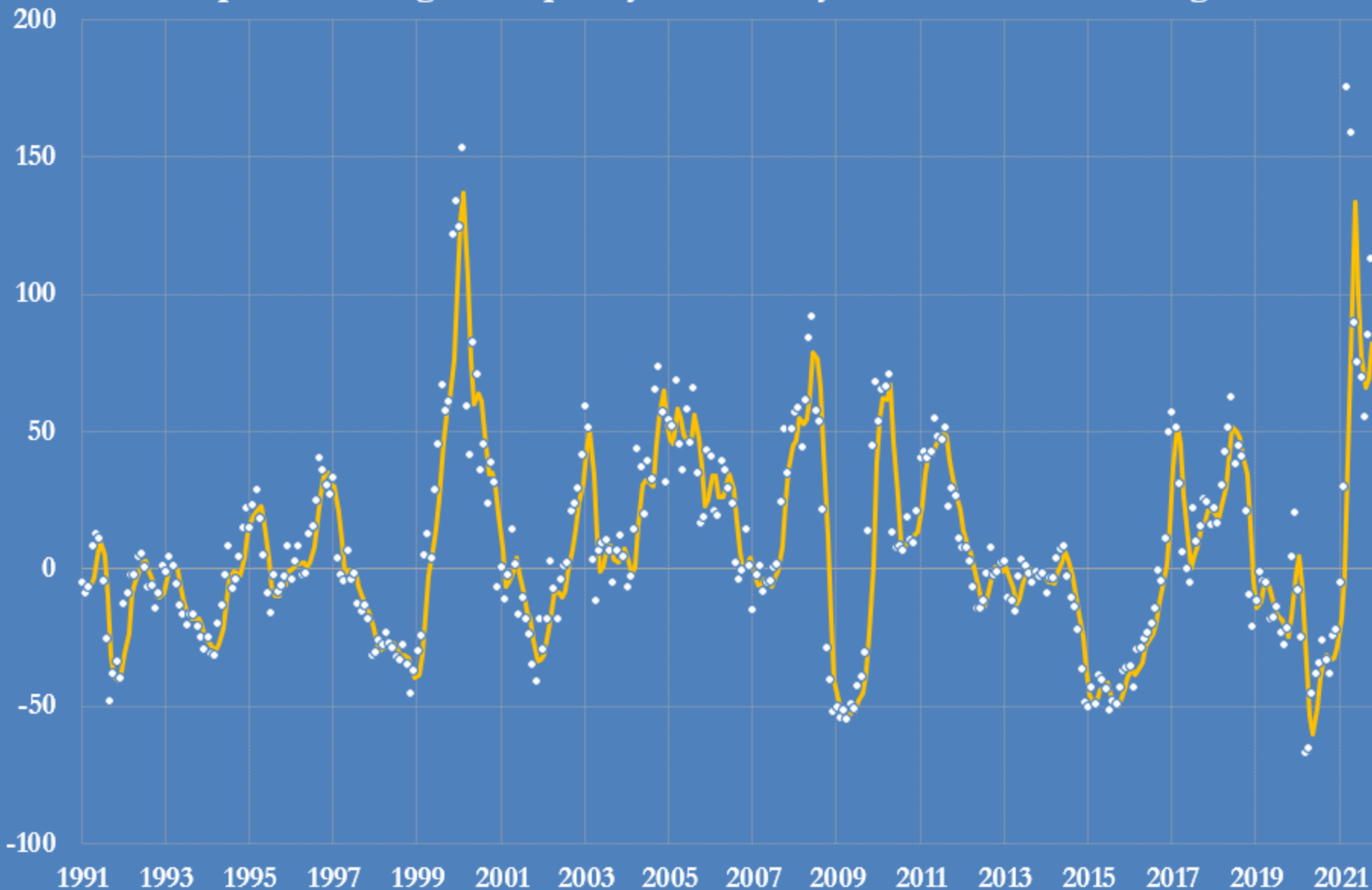


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# Real Brent prices 1990-2021

percent change from prior year, monthly and three-month average

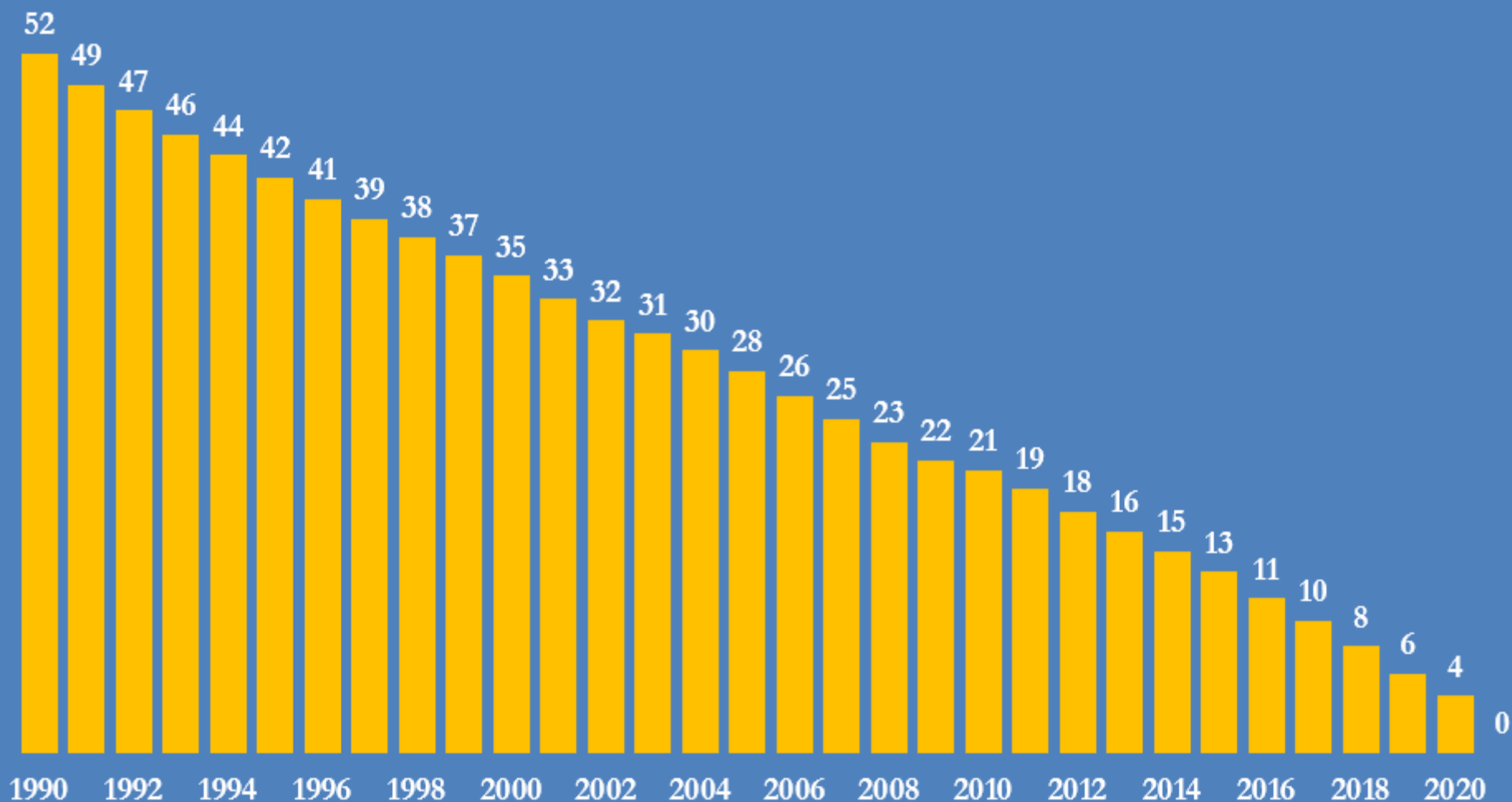


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# Impact of inflation on U.S. dollar prices, 1990-2021

loss in consumer purchasing power since year shown  
percent, adjustment via core CPI ex food and energy items



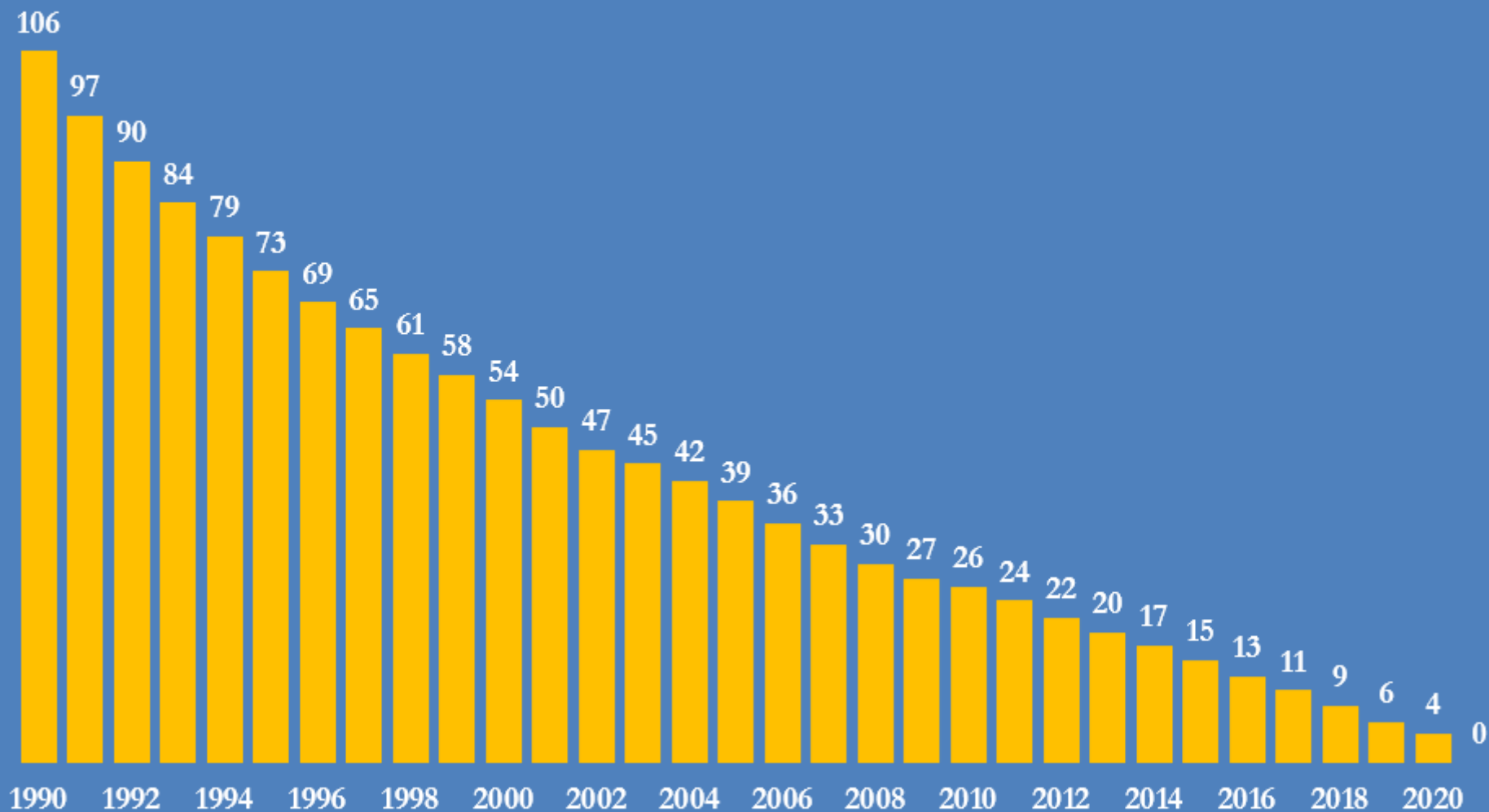
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# Historical value of U.S. dollar prices, 1990-2021

how much higher historical prices would be if expressed in 2021 dollars  
percent, adjustment via core CPI ex food and energy items



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

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