

Can Chilean Copper Maintain Its World Market Share?

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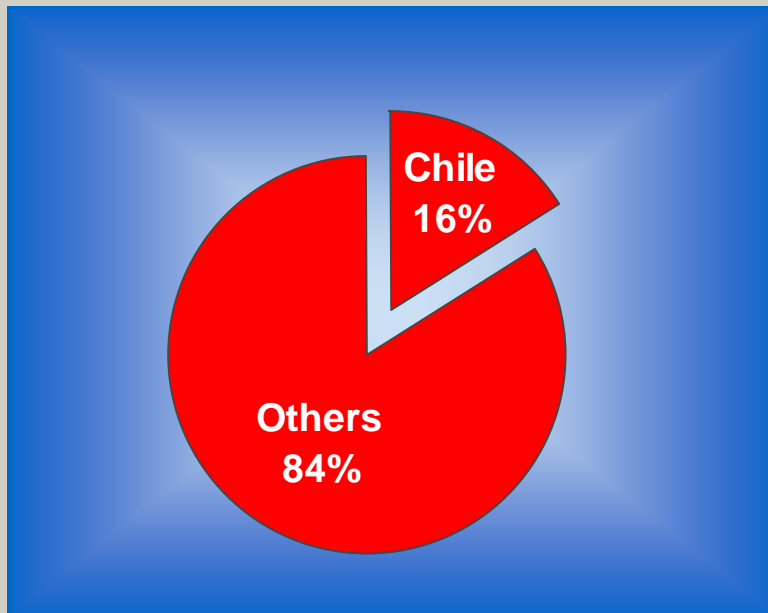
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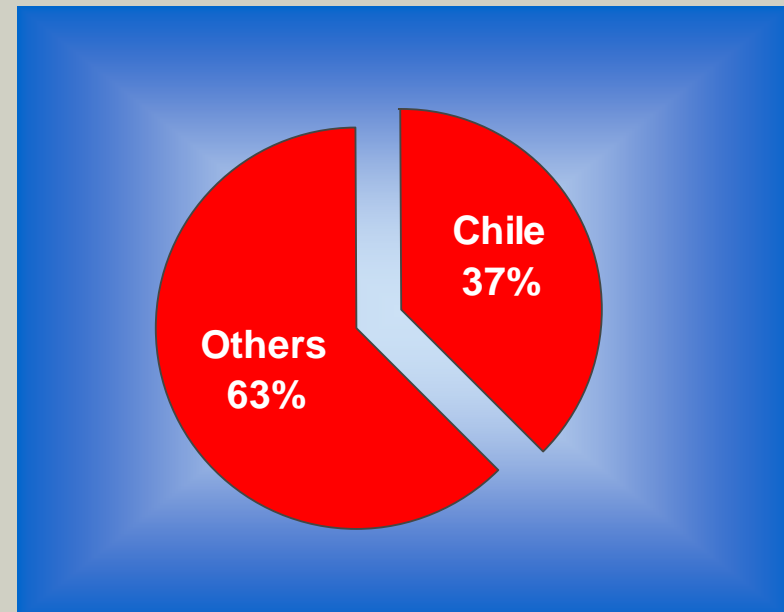
Chilean and World Mine Copper Production

1985



Chile	1,359,800 Ton Cu
Others	6,927,700 Ton Cu
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Total World	8,287,500 Ton Cu

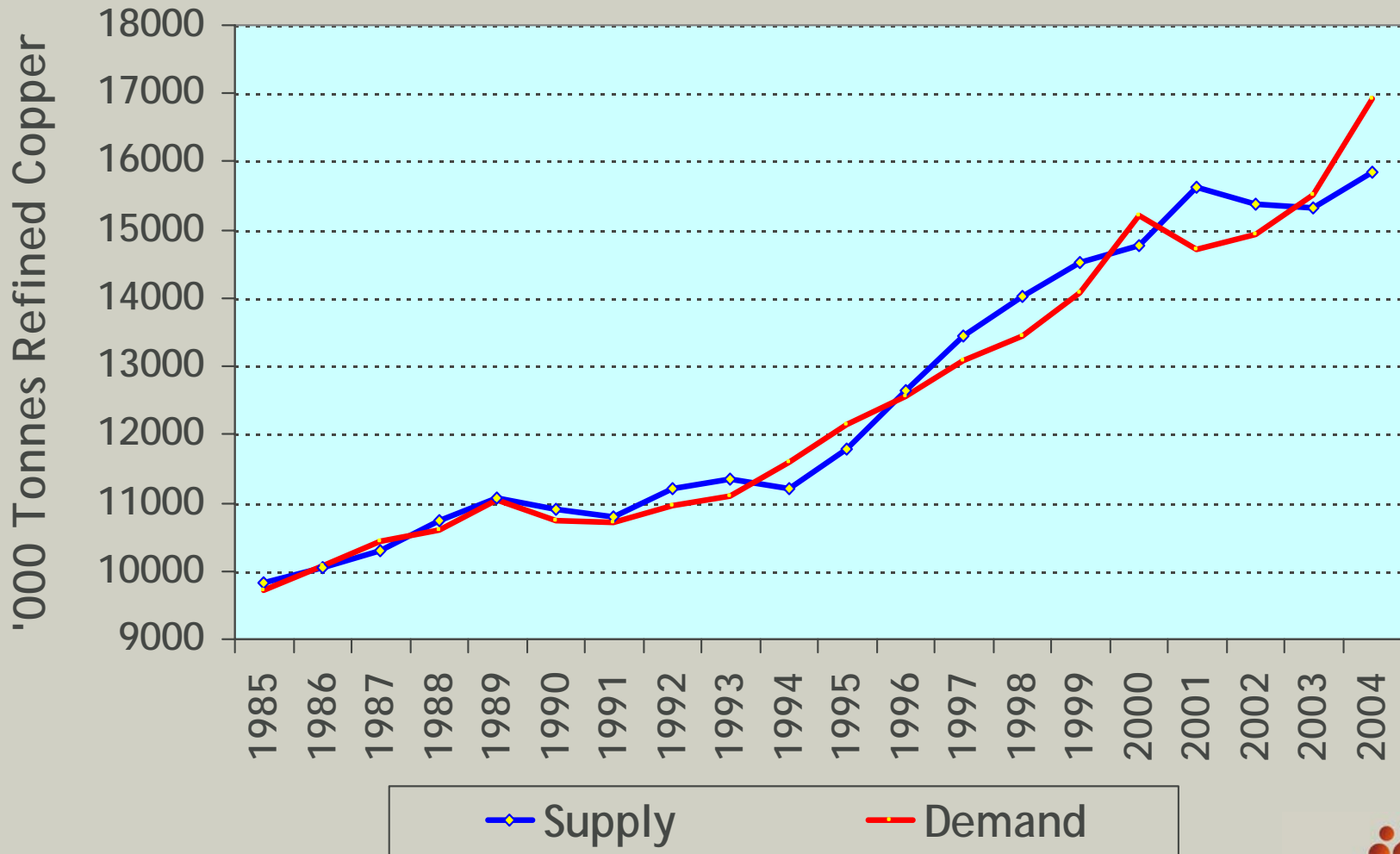
2004



Chile	5,412,500 Ton Cu
Others	9,109,300 Ton Cu
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Total World	14,521,800 Ton Cu

Source: International Copper Study Group (ICSG)

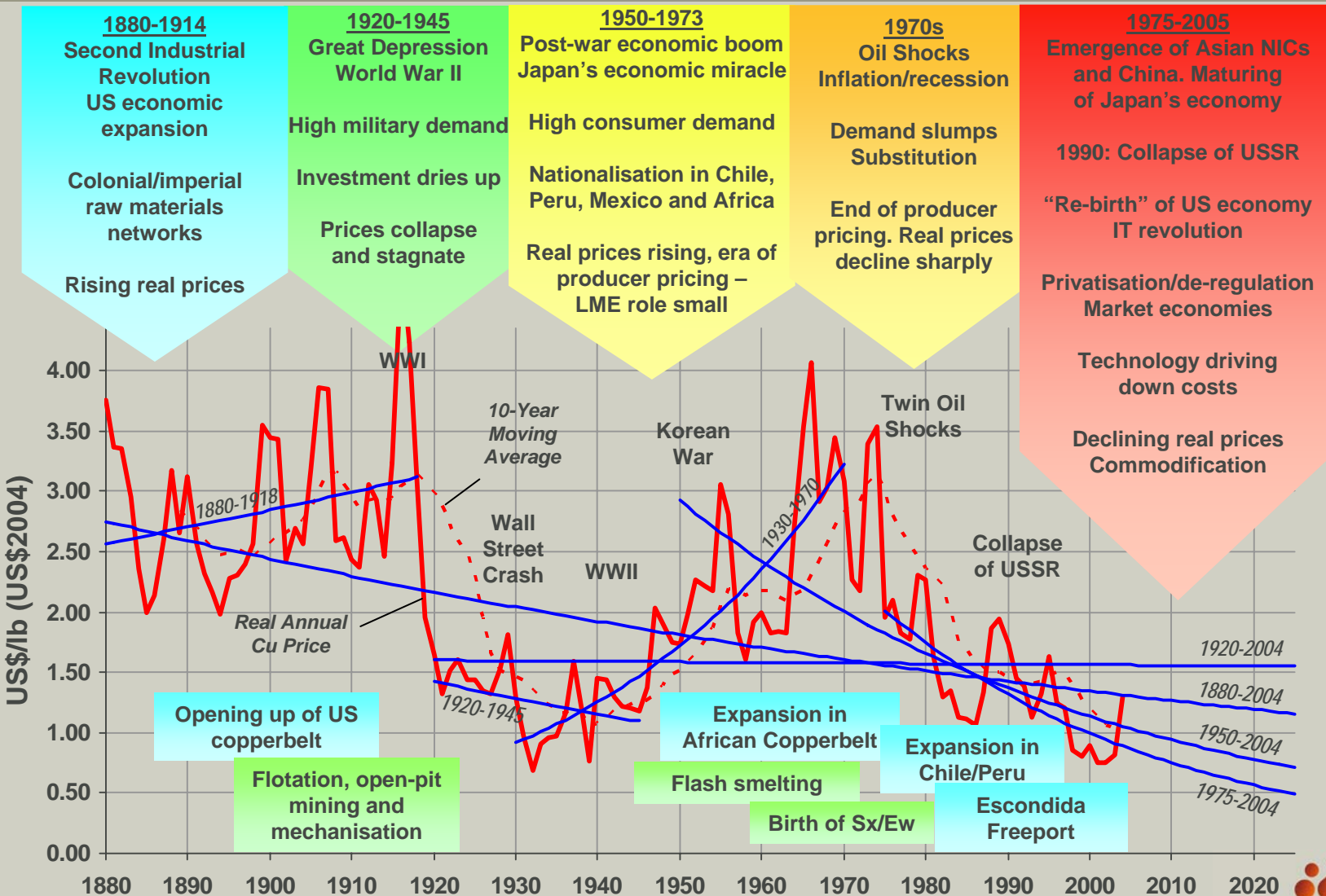
Trends for Global Refined Copper Market during the Last Two Decades



Source: ICSG, BHP Billiton



Global Copper Prices - 1880 to 2005

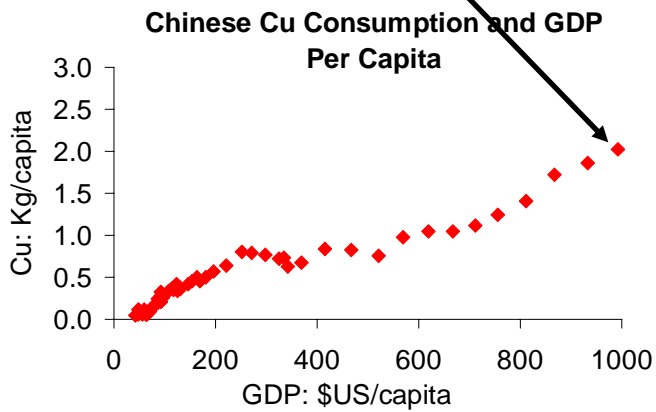
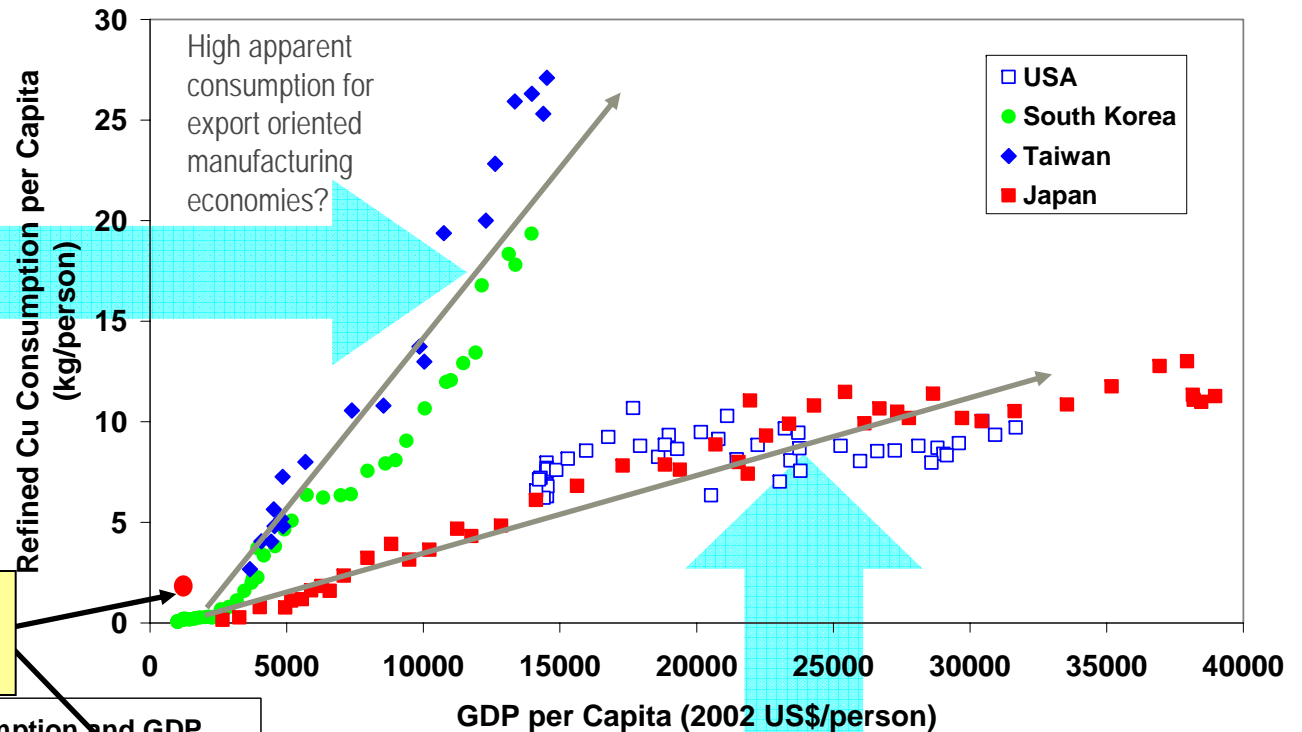


Market Demand for Copper: Industrialising countries have followed two distinctive "intensity" paths

Korea and Taiwan have shown very strong increases in copper intensity *per capita* as they industrialised since the 1970s

China's position today (>doubled in 10 years)

Copper Demand Intensity of GDP (1950-2002)



Japan followed a path of slower, but consistent, increases in copper demand intensity of GDP (per capita) during its post-WWII industrialisation



Copper Price Trends During the Last 20 Years

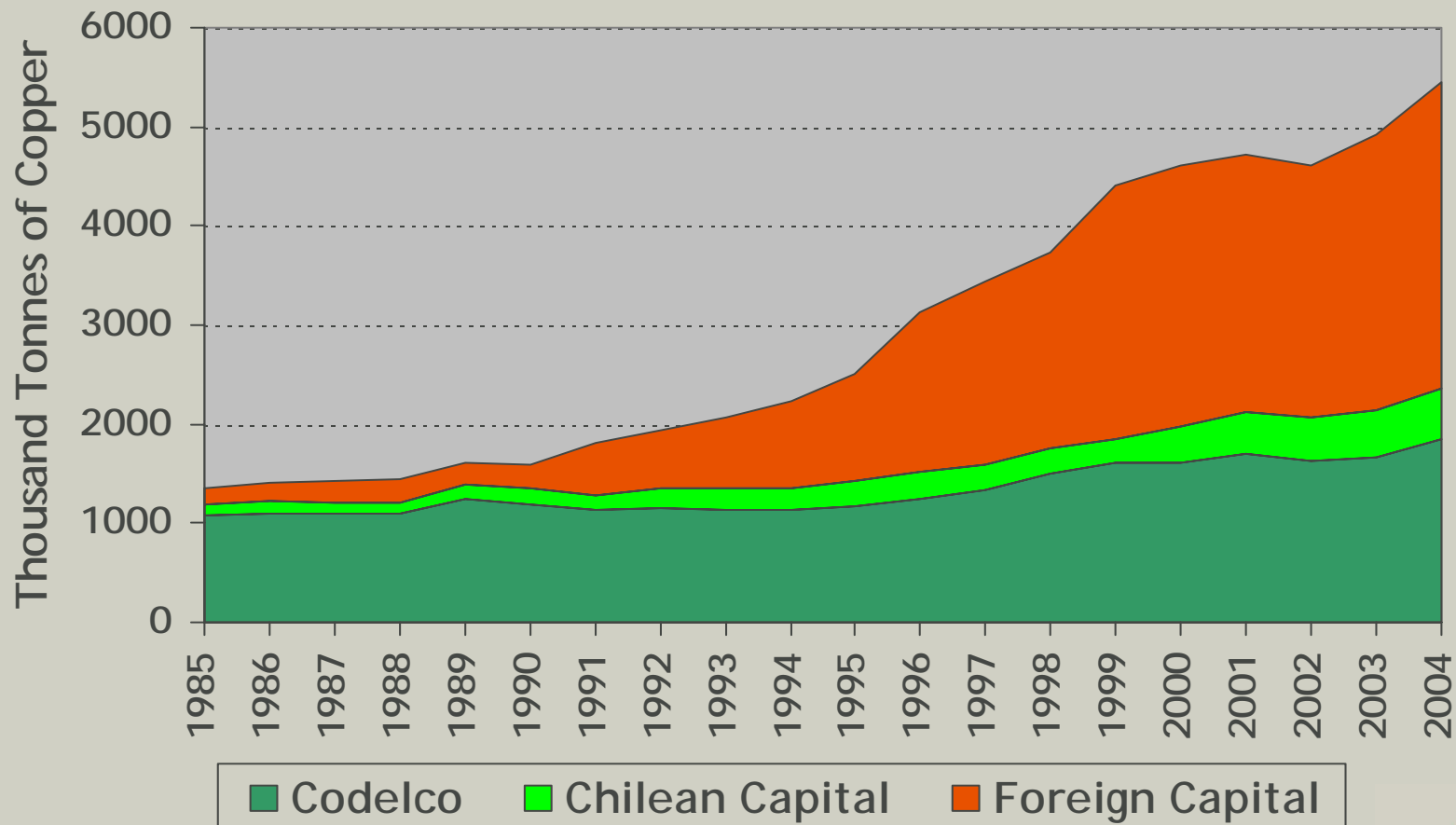
(Cash LME Copper Price in January 2005 terms)

- In real terms, copper price level at present is still lower than peaks in the 80's and 90's



Mine Copper Production in Chile by Source of Capital

- Not surprisingly, most of the increase in production during the last 15 years came from foreign investments



Source: Cochilco, BHP Billiton

Refined Copper Demand Forecast

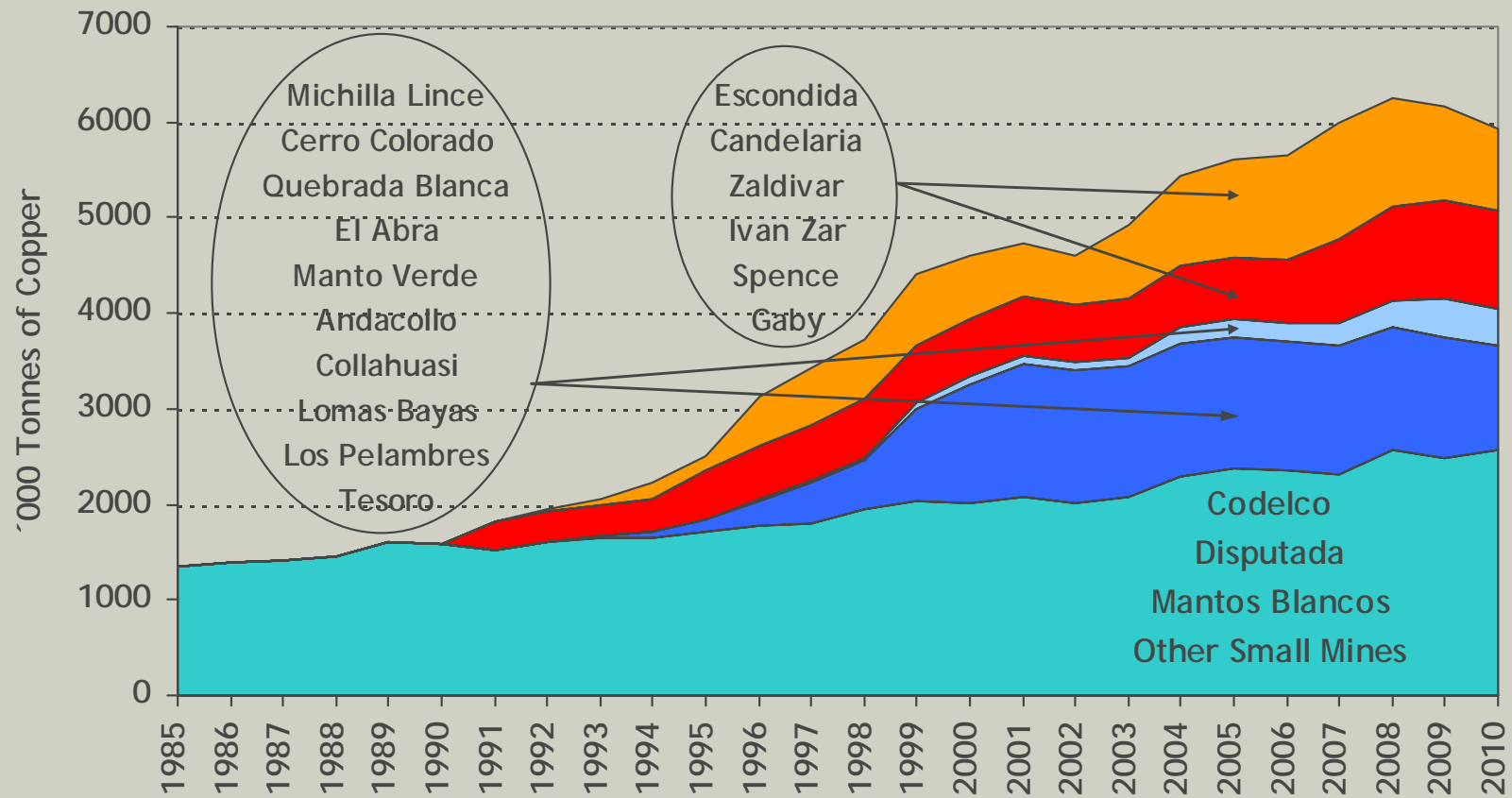
- According to the most respected market analysts, until 2010 the average annual growth in refined copper demand would account for 631,000 tonnes of copper (3.5% per annum)

Demand growth (% p.a.)		Calendar Year						Total 2005-10	per year 2005-10
		2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010		
Company	Analyst 1	4.4%	3.9%	4.0%	3.3%	2.7%	2.1%	22.1%	3.4%
	Analyst 2	2.4%	3.5%	2.8%	3.1%	4.1%	n.a.	16.9%	3.2%
	Analyst 3	3.5%	1.4%	6.9%	5.3%	-0.4%	6.2%	25.0%	3.8%
	Average	3.4%	2.9%	4.6%	3.9%	2.1%	4.2%	23.0%	3.5%

Refined Copper Demand (kmt)		2004e	Calendar Year						Total 2005-10	per year 2005-10
			2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010		
Company	Analyst 1	16,936	17,674	18,357	19,084	19,719	20,256	20,681	3,745	624
	Analyst 2	16,755	17,157	17,758	18,255	18,821	19,592	n.a.	2,837	567
	Analyst 3	16,801	17,388	17,640	18,858	19,857	19,778	21,007	4,206	701
	Average	16,831	17,407	17,918	18,732	19,466	19,875	20,844	4,013	631

Source: CRU, Bloomsbury and Brook Hunt

Copper Mining Projects in Chile According to Geological Knowledge of Deposits before 1975



DEPOSITS DISCOVERED AFTER 1975

- Brownfield expansion
- Greenfield project

DEPOSITS DISCOVERED BEFORE 1975 PARTIALLY KNOWN / EXPLORED

- Brownfield expansion
- Greenfield project

Copper mines in production before 1990 (including brownfield expansions)

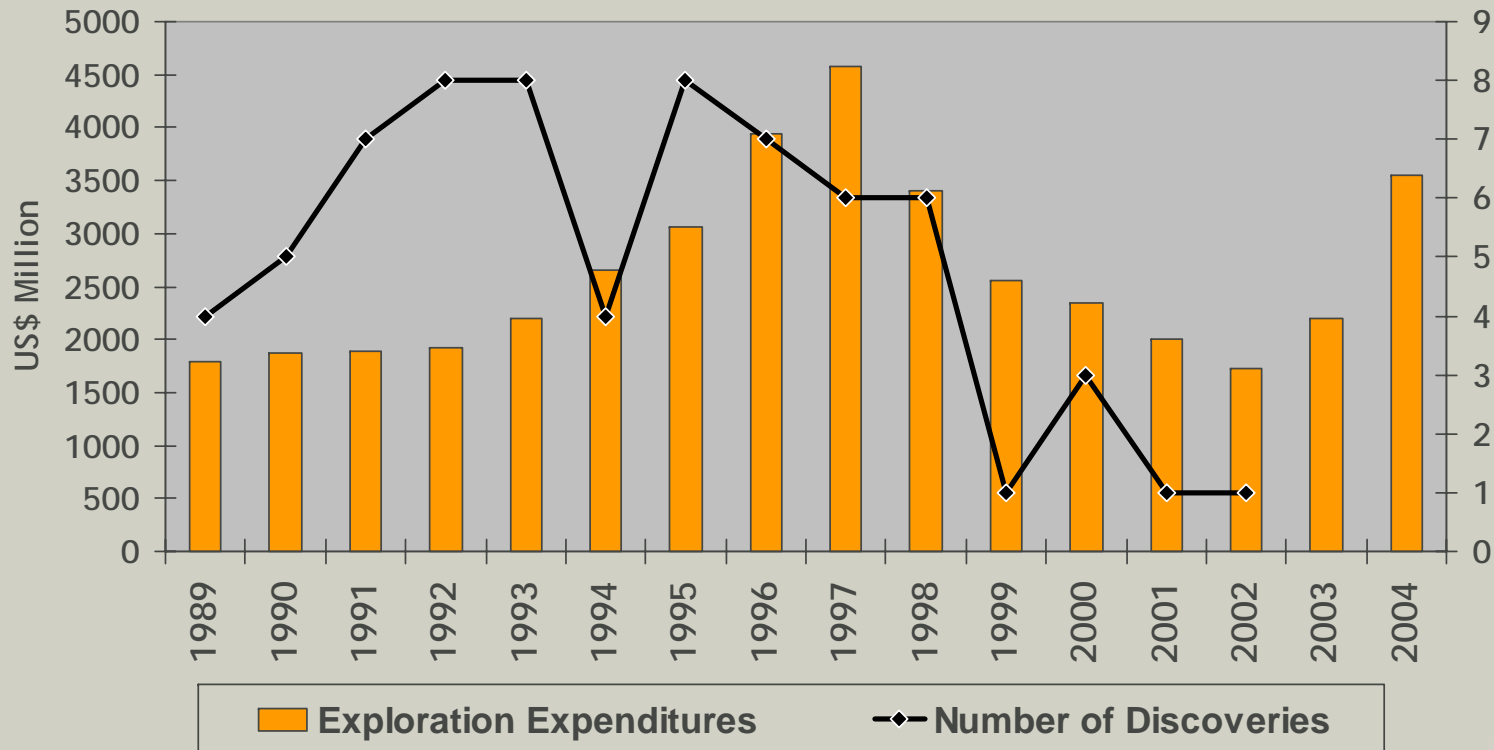
Source: BHP Billiton

**Copper mines
starting production
after 1990**



Exploration expenditure and the number of discoveries in the global non-ferrous sector

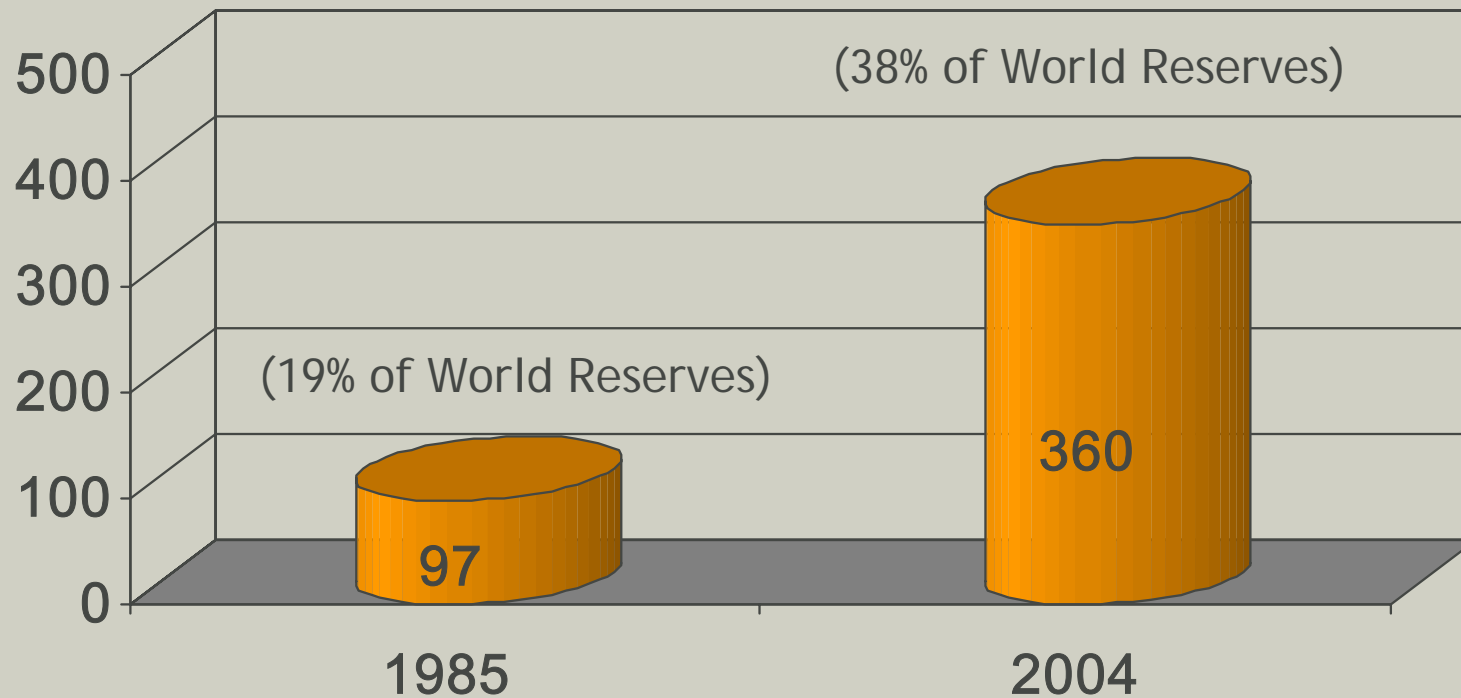
- Investment in geological exploration more than doubled in the 90's peaking in 1997
- Exploration expenditures declined very sharply in tandem with metal prices
- Exploration expenditures are starting to recover again



Source: Metals Economics Group

Development of Copper Reserves in Chile

Copper (million tonnes of contained copper)



Source: Metals Economics Group

The Fraser Institute Annual Survey of Mining Companies

Policy Potential

Place	Rank 2005	Rank 2004	Rank 2003
Nevada	1	1	1
Ireland	2	16	*
Manitoba	3	6	4
Utah	4	26	14
Saskatchewan	5	9	10
Spain	6	*	*
Quebec	7	8	7
Ontario	8	16	8
Alberta	9	7	1
Tasmania	10	3	*
Chile	14	2	3

- Chile dropped 12 places to #14 in the policy potential ranking
- Although it kept its second position as current mining potential ...
- That position might also be affected if other countries were to adopt best practices and fix their investment climate

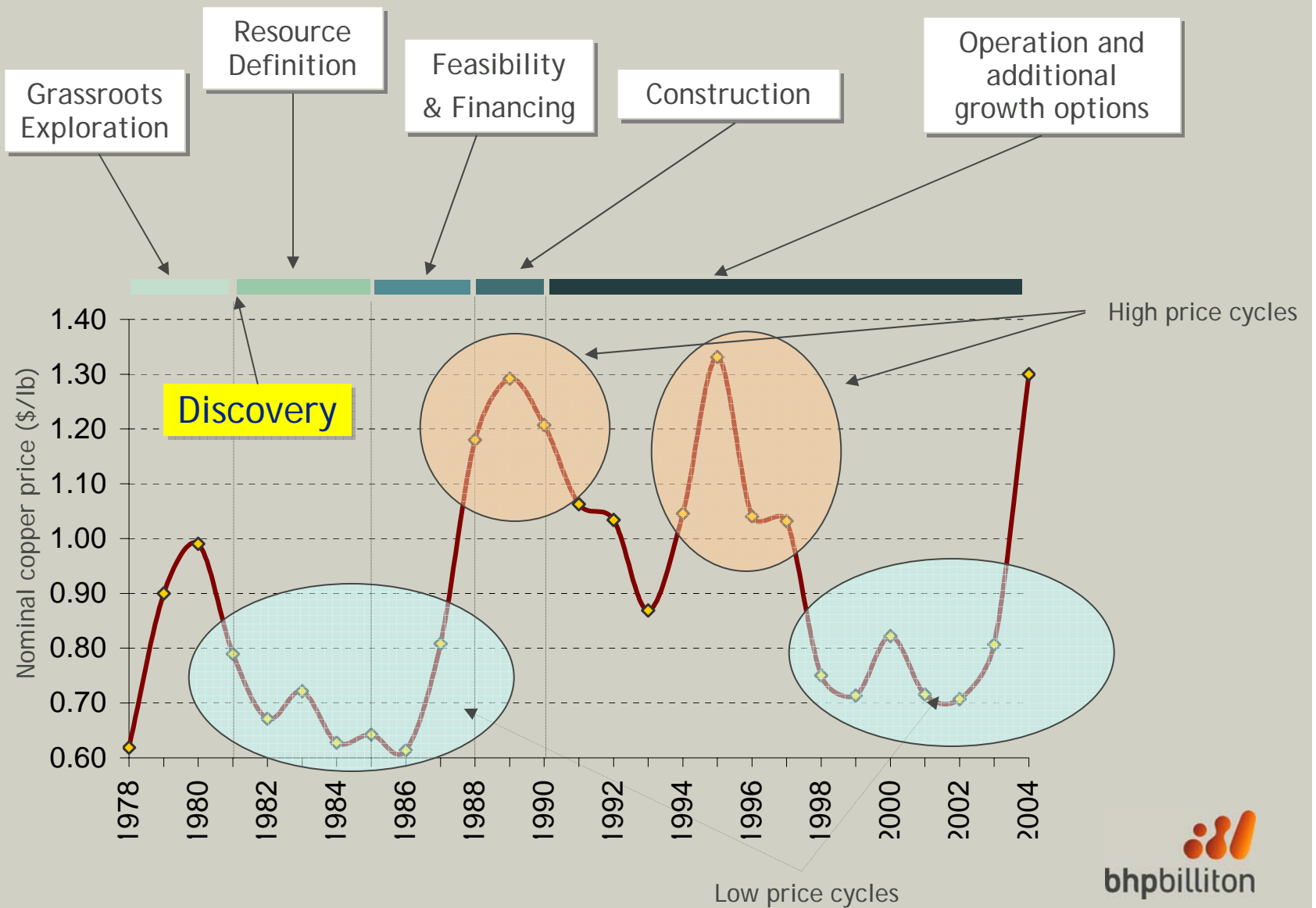
Current Mineral Potential

Place	Rank 2005	Rank 2004	Rank 2003
Nevada	1	4	5
Chile	2	2	1
Quebec	3	3	3
Western Australia	4	1	
Mexico	5	14	9
Tasmania	6	20	
Finland	7		
Northern Territory, AUS	8	8	
Brazil	9	11	7
Ontario	10	6	4

Best Practices Mineral Potential

Place	Rank 2005	Rank 2004	Rank 2003
Tasmania	1	34	
Nevada	2	21	9
Alaska	3	24	5
NWT, Canada	4	13	8
Western Australia	5	1	
Indonesia	6	6	17
Peru	7	4	6
Queensland	8	3	
PNG	9		26
Nunavut, CAN	10	14	12
Chile	13	9	2

Mining investment cycle - Escondida case study



Projects in the pipeline - Potential production by 2010

	150,000 tpy Cu or more	100,000 tpy Cu or more	50,000 tpy Cu or more	Less than 50,000 tpy Cu
Chile	993,000 (5)	-	-	67,000 (4)
Others	400,000 (2)	610,000 (5)	726,000 (11)	668,000 (33)
TOTAL	1,393,000 (7) 40%	610,000 (5) 18%	726,000 (11) 21%	735,000 (37) 21%

Total by 2010 3,464,000 tpy Cu

Source: Public sources and BHP Billiton

Conclusions

2005 - 2010

- Chilean production should continue to grow but not enough to keep 2004 market share

2010 onwards

- Market share should decrease (unless additional effort on exploration starting now)