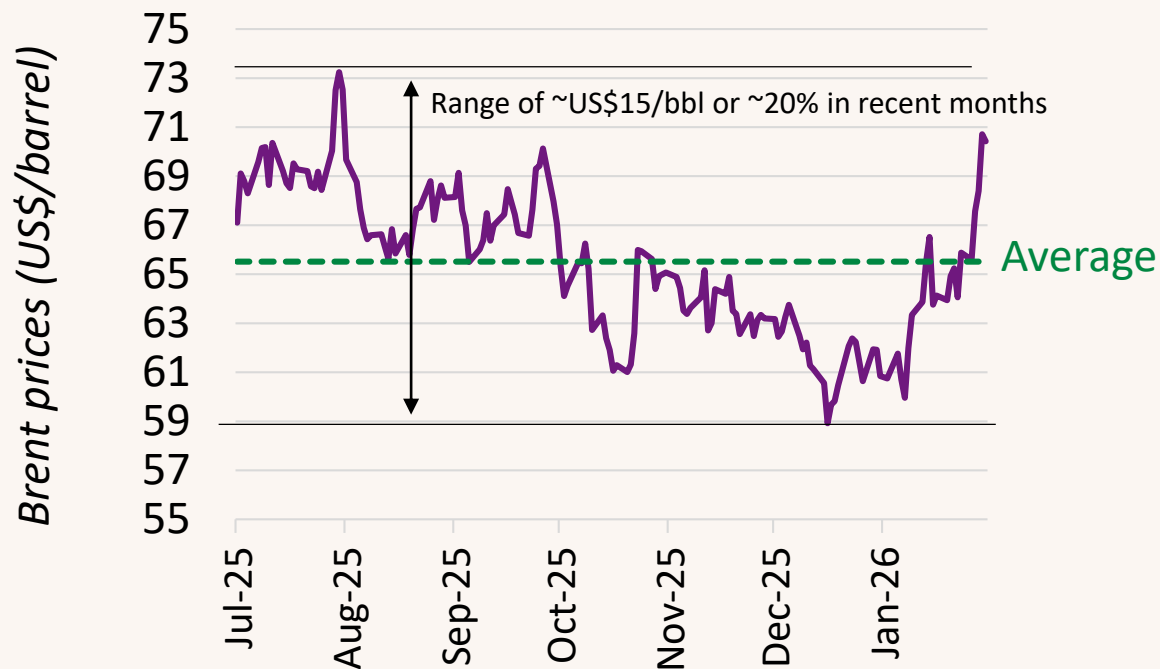


How oil prices impact your wallet

How are wars far away can make things expensive here

Global oil prices have recently been on a volatile trend. What are some of the key reasons?

Global oil prices swing in recent months



Fear: When big oil countries fight, buyers fear oil will run out. This fear makes oil prices jump in global markets.

Blockage: When oil ships avoid potential war zones, they opt for longer routes for some destinations, leading to a wait time, followed by price increases.

Sanctions: If powerful countries ban other oil countries to sell oil, lesser availability of oil increases its prices as well.

How does this impact Pakistan?

The Problem

We buy oil from the international market



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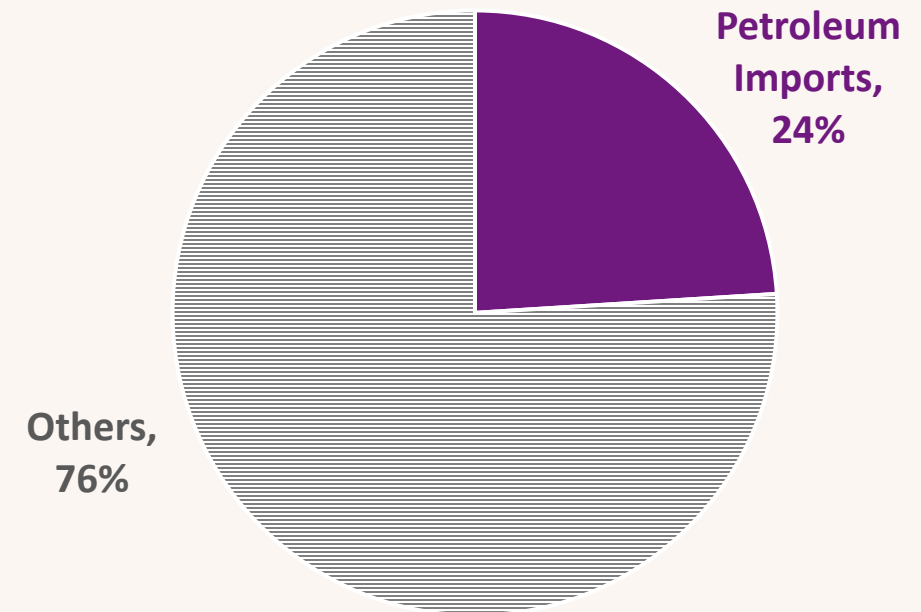
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High dependency: Pakistan does not produce enough oil as per its needs, and buys from the 'Global Shop' following the price set in global markets.

Major expense: Oil products are ~25% of Pakistan's imports, making it the single biggest item in its import bill. If oil prices change, the country's import bill is impacted accordingly.

Economic vulnerability: With limited foreign exchange reserves, oil price movement becomes very important for Pakistan's economic outlook.

Petroleum products' contribution in Pakistan's import bill



The impact on your pockets

Cost of living is highly dependent on oil price changes



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Transport costs: Food and supplies reach to different parts of the country through trucks. If petroleum product prices change, the cost of transporting all foods and supplies also change accordingly.

Utility prices: Cost of producing power changes with oil price movement, impacting citizens' utility bills. The same also impacts cost of producing in Pakistan.

Overall cost of living: This chain reaction is reflected in the cost of living, also understood through inflation readings.

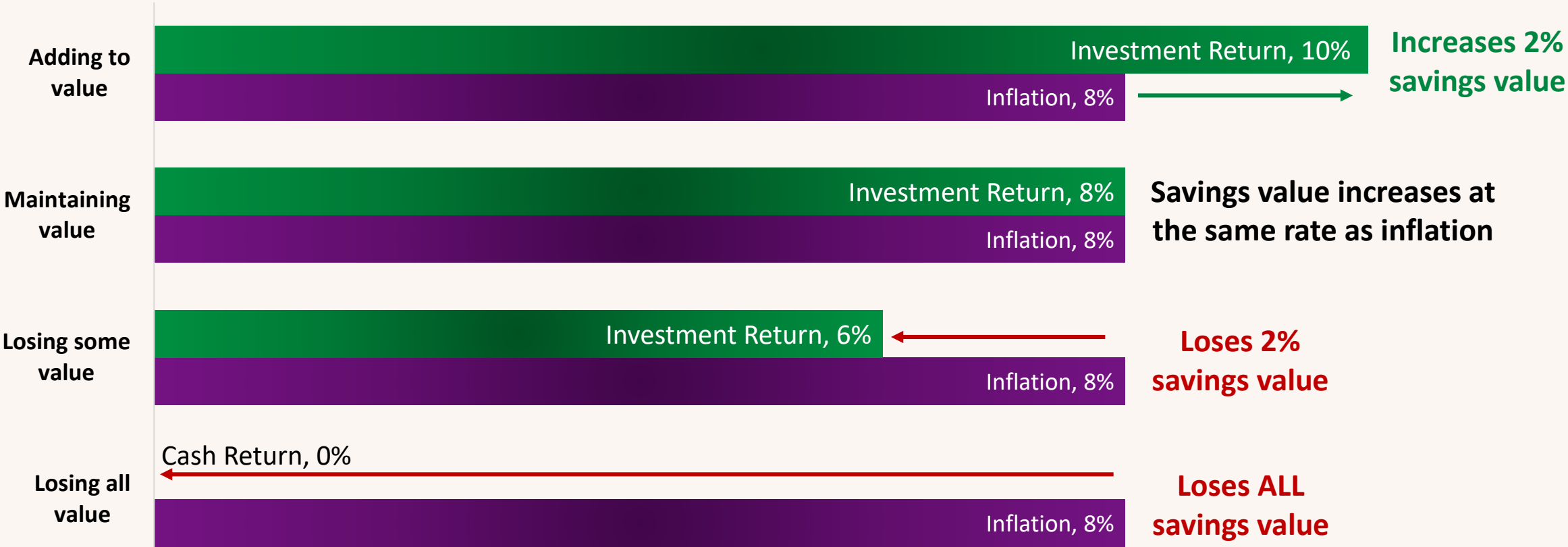
How can you shield yourself from any these price volatilities?

Be ready for any volatility

Park your cash and savings in Investments

The solution is simple: **shift from holding cash to investing efficiently against inflation.**

Investors with lower risks may also achieve this. We explain through the examples below:



For this analysis, 8% is used as a proxy for Pakistan's long-term inflation trajectory

Rising oil prices, an opportunity?

Meezan Energy Fund positioned



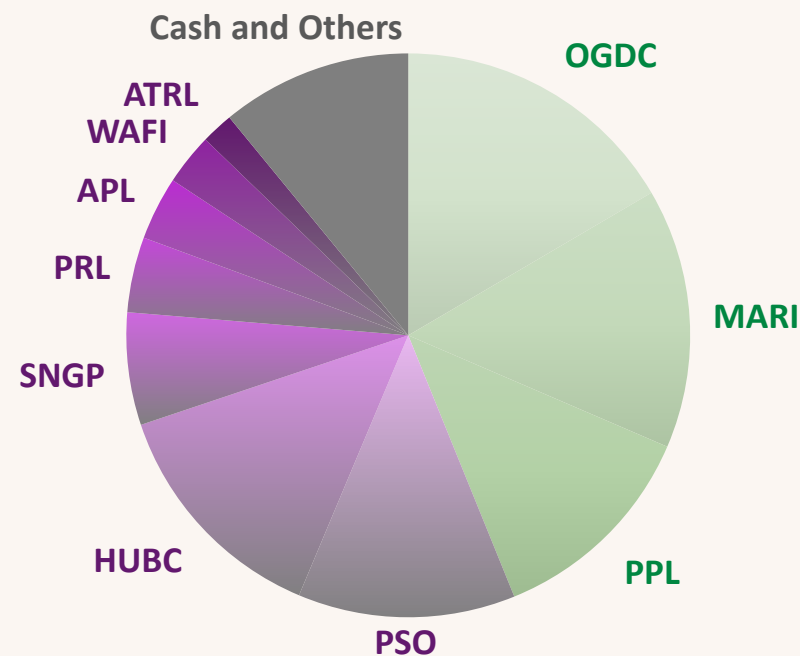
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Meezan Energy Fund allocation *

Prospective growth and value stories in the energy sector



Companies that benefit by higher oil prices

*as at Jan 2026 end

In the explanation above, we have only considered direct impact of increasing global oil prices.



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