

HOW UNCERTAIN GEOPOLITICAL ACTIVITY INFLUENCES CRUDE OIL DYNAMICS: U.S. - IRAN RELATIONS

The decision of the U.S. to remove sanction waivers on Iranian oil exports helped trigger a series of disruptions in the Middle East that makes geopolitics arguably the most significant upside price risk in 2020. Throughout much of 2019 and enduring into 2020 price premiums as a result of these events have manifested in wholesale diesel prices. Prices from May 1st when waivers were first removed is used as the baseline for this analysis.

Wholesale Diesel Price Change Following U.S. Removal of Iranian Import Waivers

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