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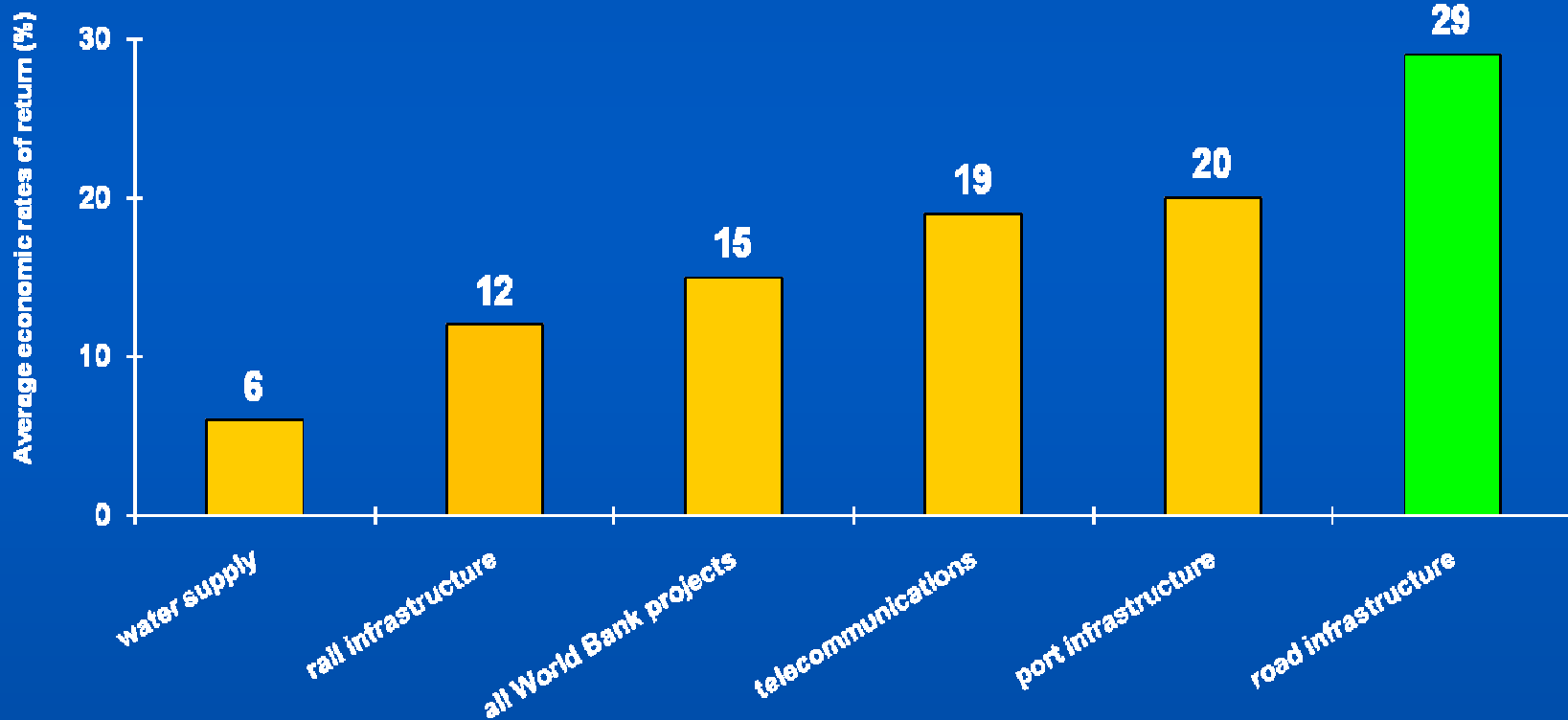
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Comparison of economic return from infrastructure investment

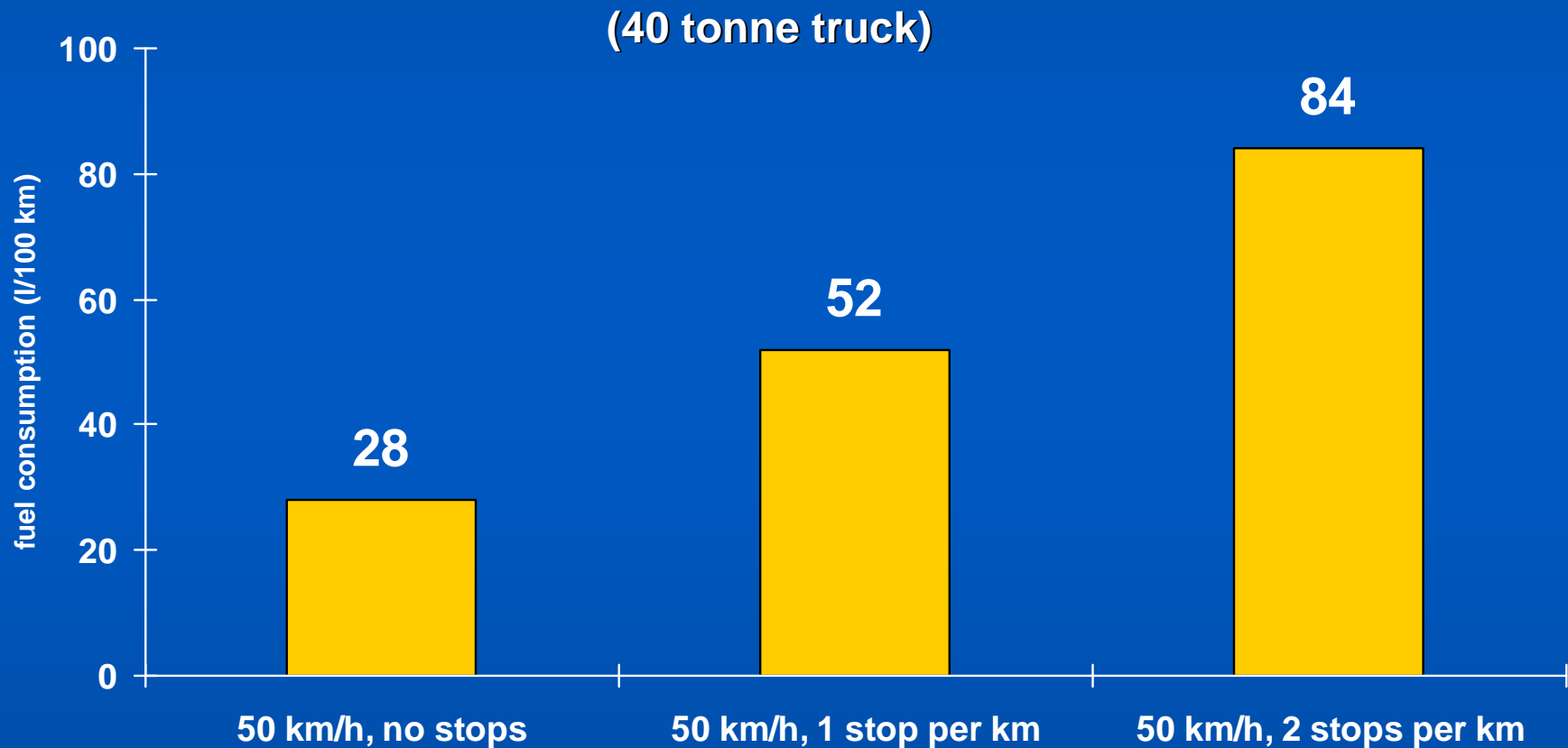
World Bank supported infrastructure projects



Source: The World Bank, 2005



Road Congestion increases Fuel Consumption



Source: VDA, 2000



Mind the Gap between Road Supply and Demand

- Good roads, according to the World Bank,
 - *expand market opportunities,*
 - *lower the costs of goods and services,*
 - *enable countries to use their productive capacity better*
- Freight transport operations flexibly follow changes in demand  infrastructure is more rigid to adapt
- Governments should stop diverting road transport industry revenues from reinvestment in the sector
- 3 tools: facilitation, intensive use of existing roads, road investments



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