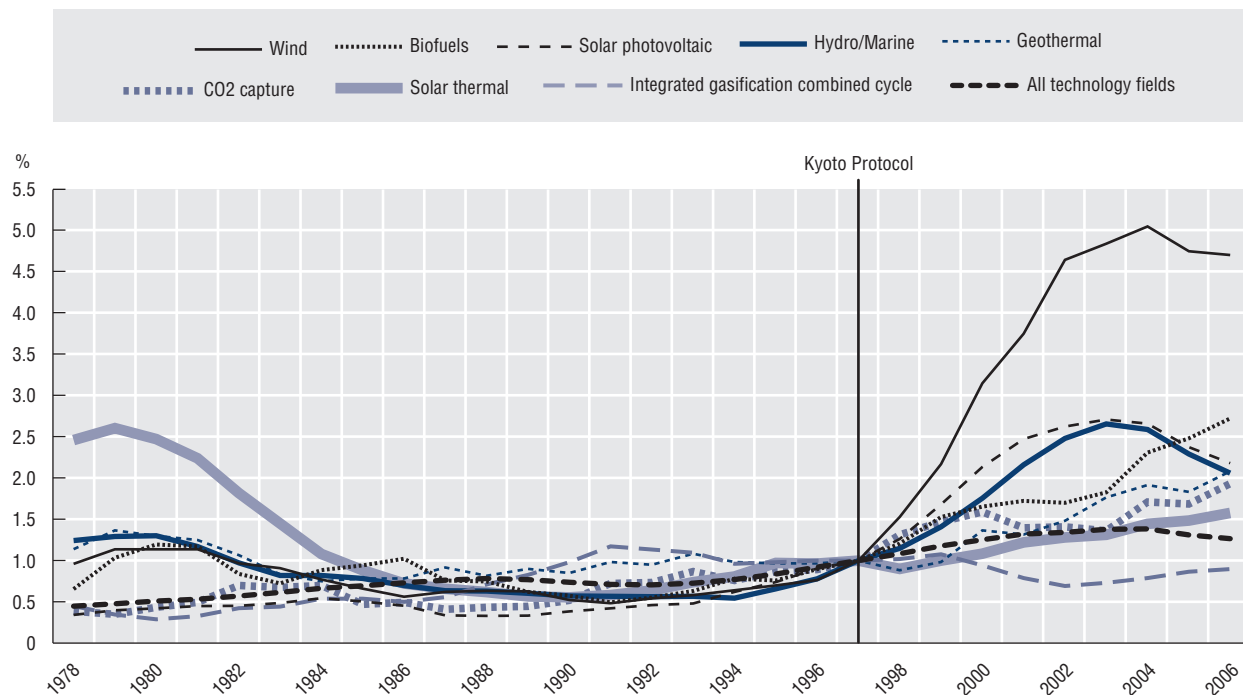


## THE CLIMATE CHALLENGE

Despite limited progress in Copenhagen, investment in technological innovation for climate change mitigation is likely to increase as many OECD countries implement binding national policies. However, reaching agreement on emission cuts at the international level would certainly provide a significant spur to innovation.

### Trends in technological innovation for climate change mitigation, 1978-2006

“Claimed priorities” (patent counts) in climate mitigation technologies worldwide  
(three-year moving average, indexed on 1997 = 1.0, Annex I signatories)



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