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Grain and Oilseeds Outlook for 2011

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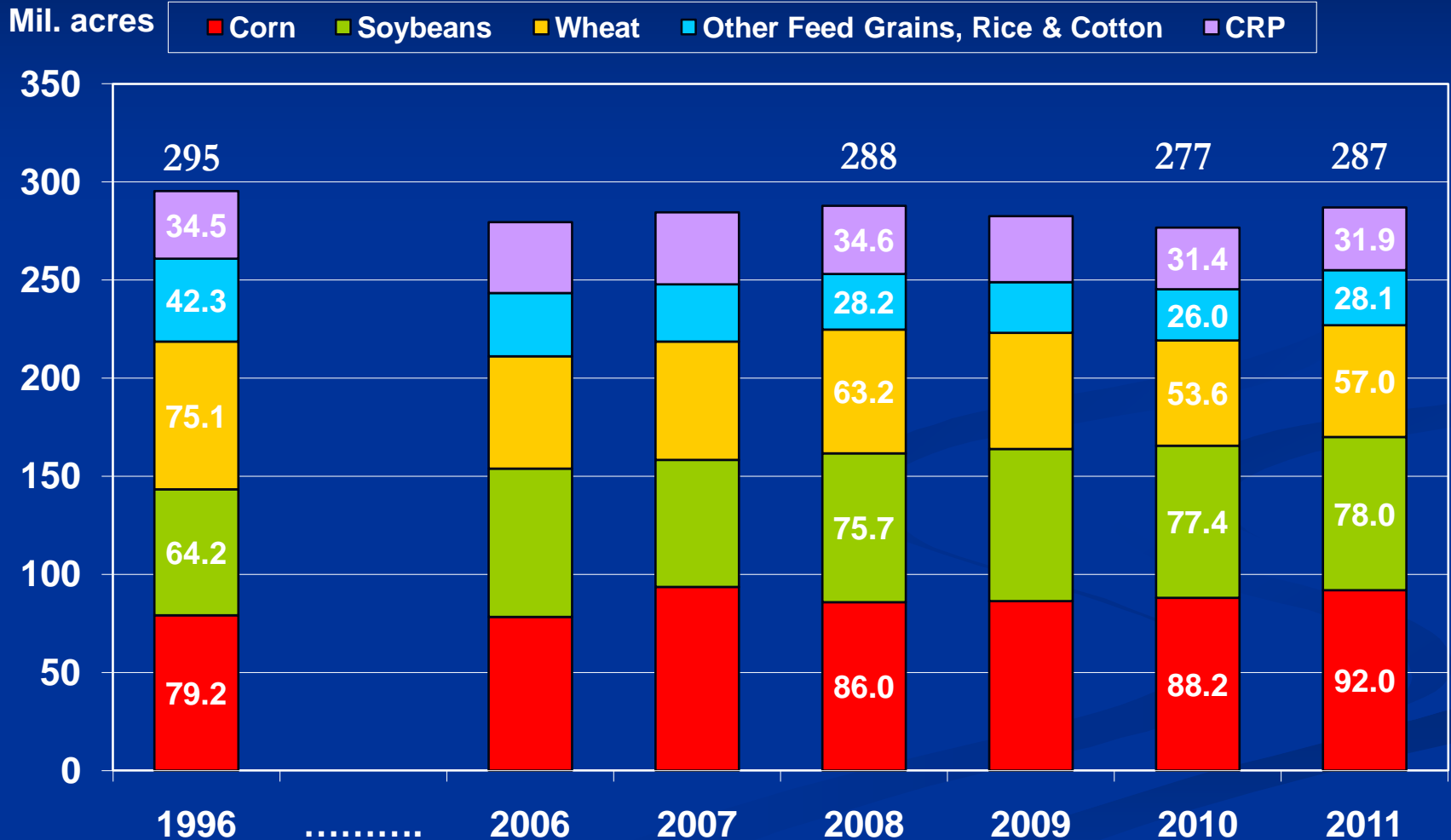
Cash Prices in Illinois Are Near Record Levels of 2007/08



U.S. Factors Shaping 2011

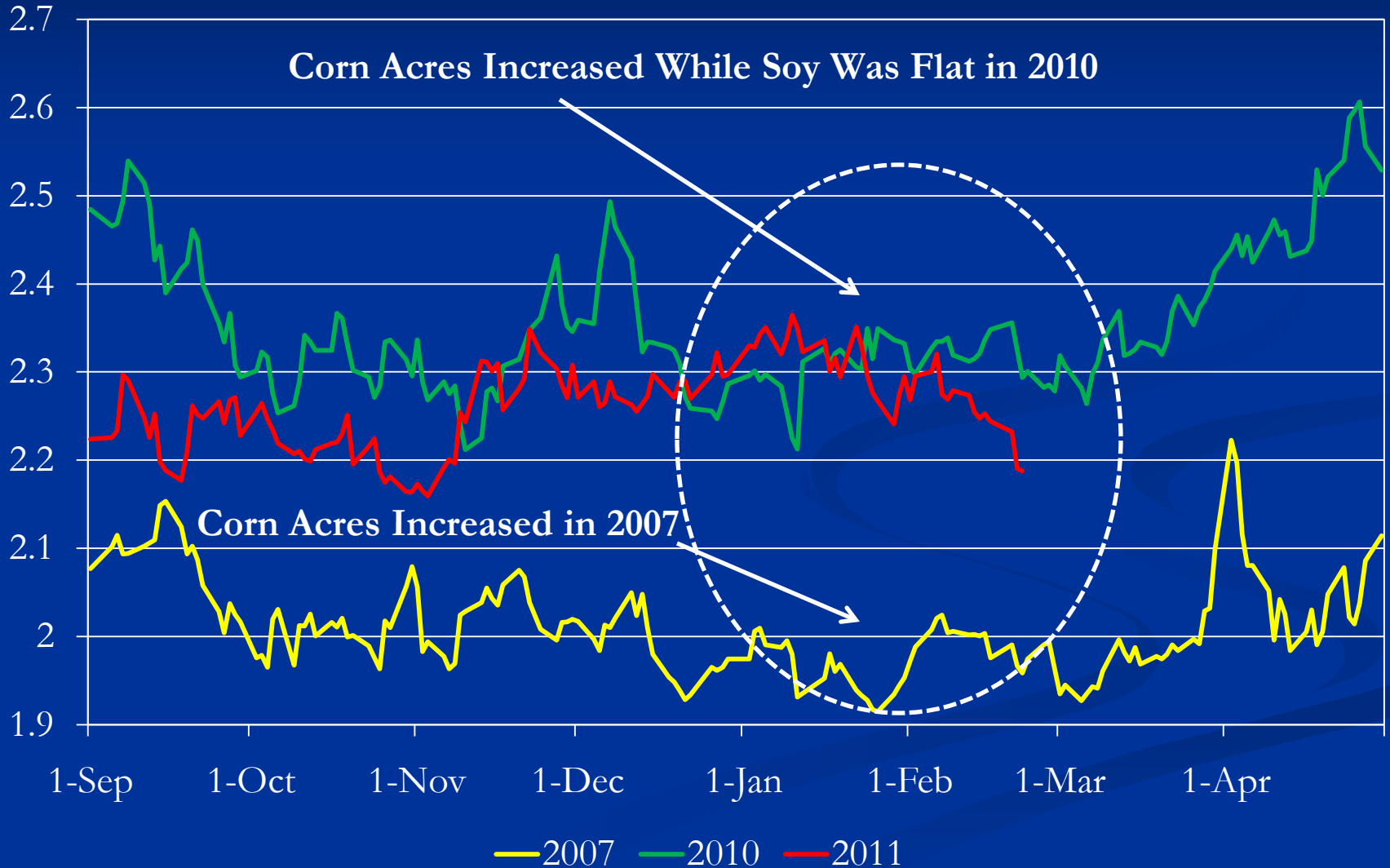
- **Tight supplies of corn and soybeans, relatively abundant wheat**
- **Little supply cushion for corn and soybeans in the event of adverse weather**
- **Strong corn, wheat, and soybean exports**

Projected 10 Million More Acres: 75 Percent Going to Corn and Wheat



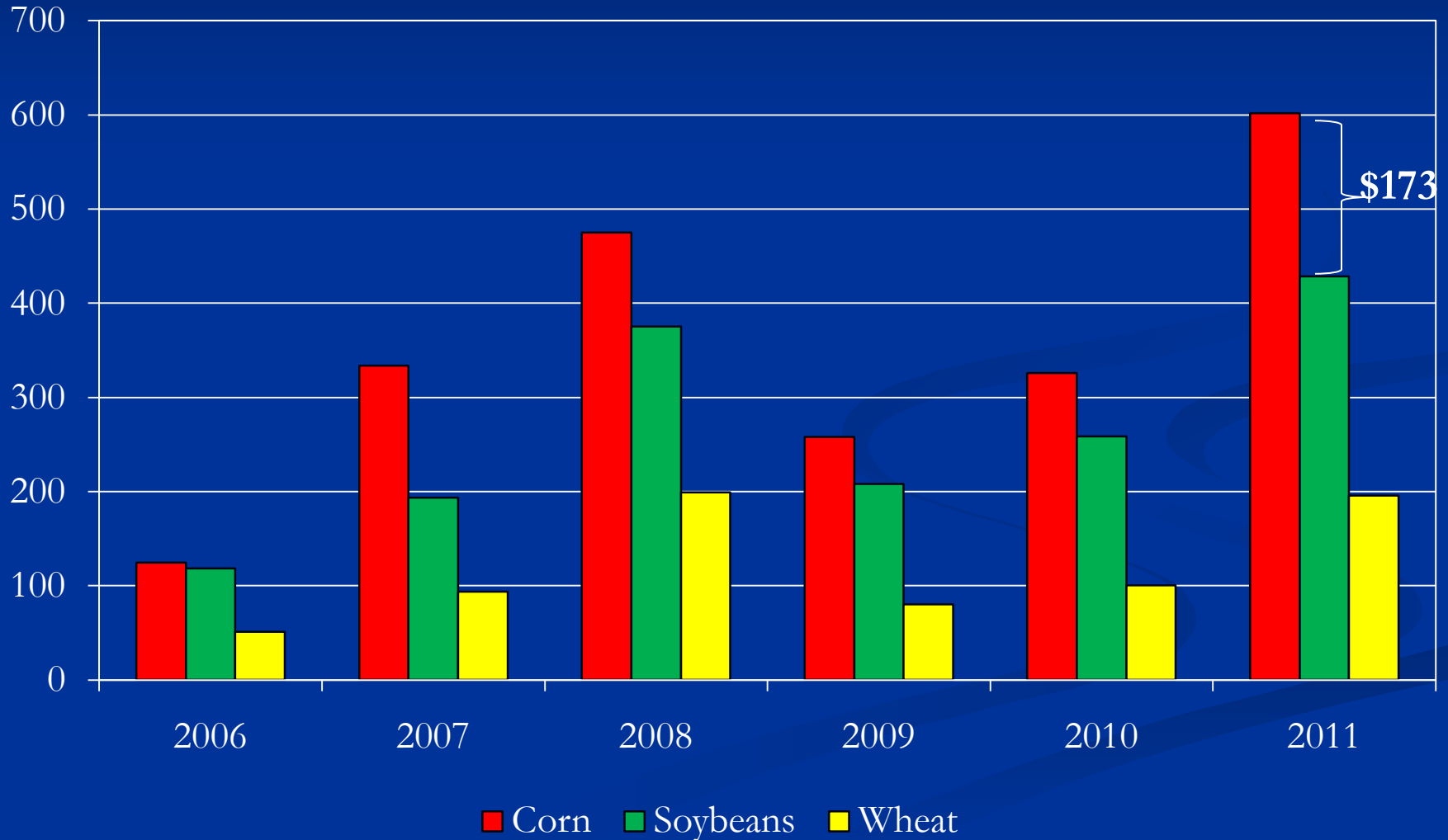
New Crop Soy/Corn Price Relationship Favors Corn

Soybean/Corn

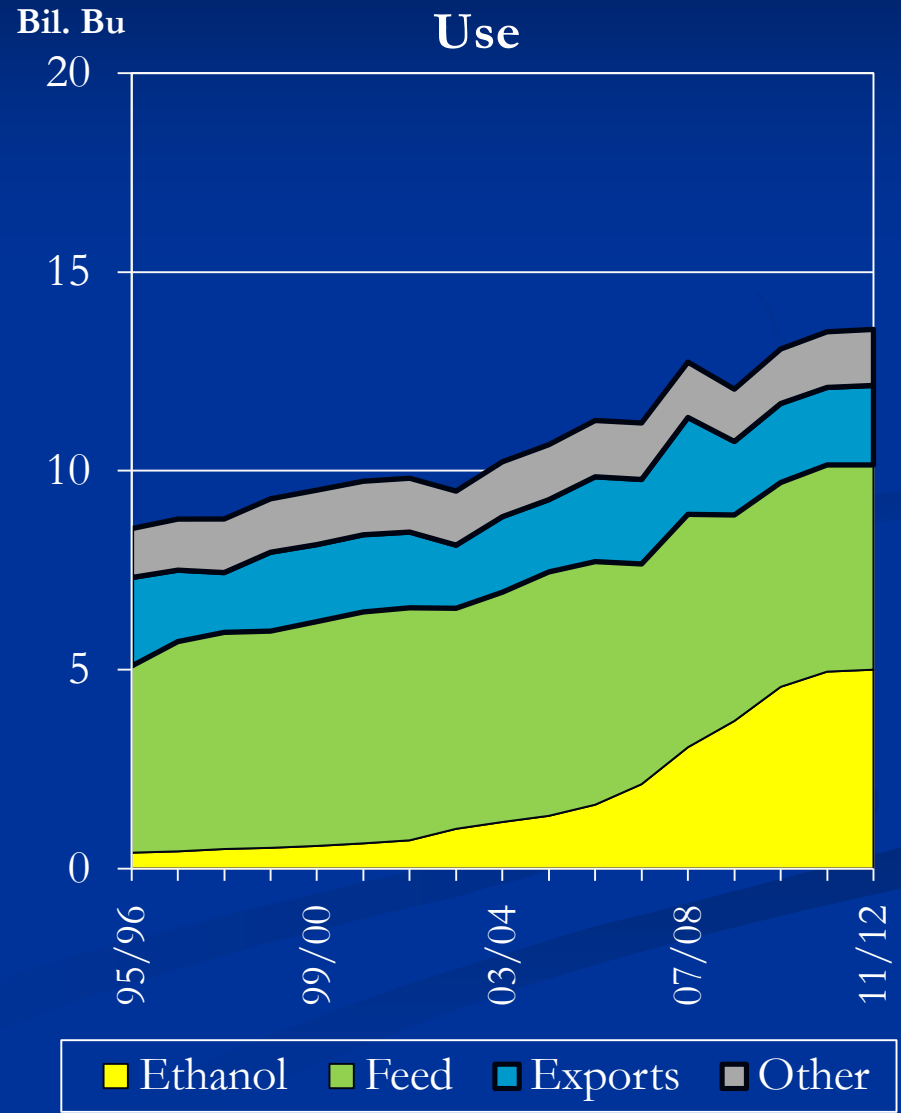
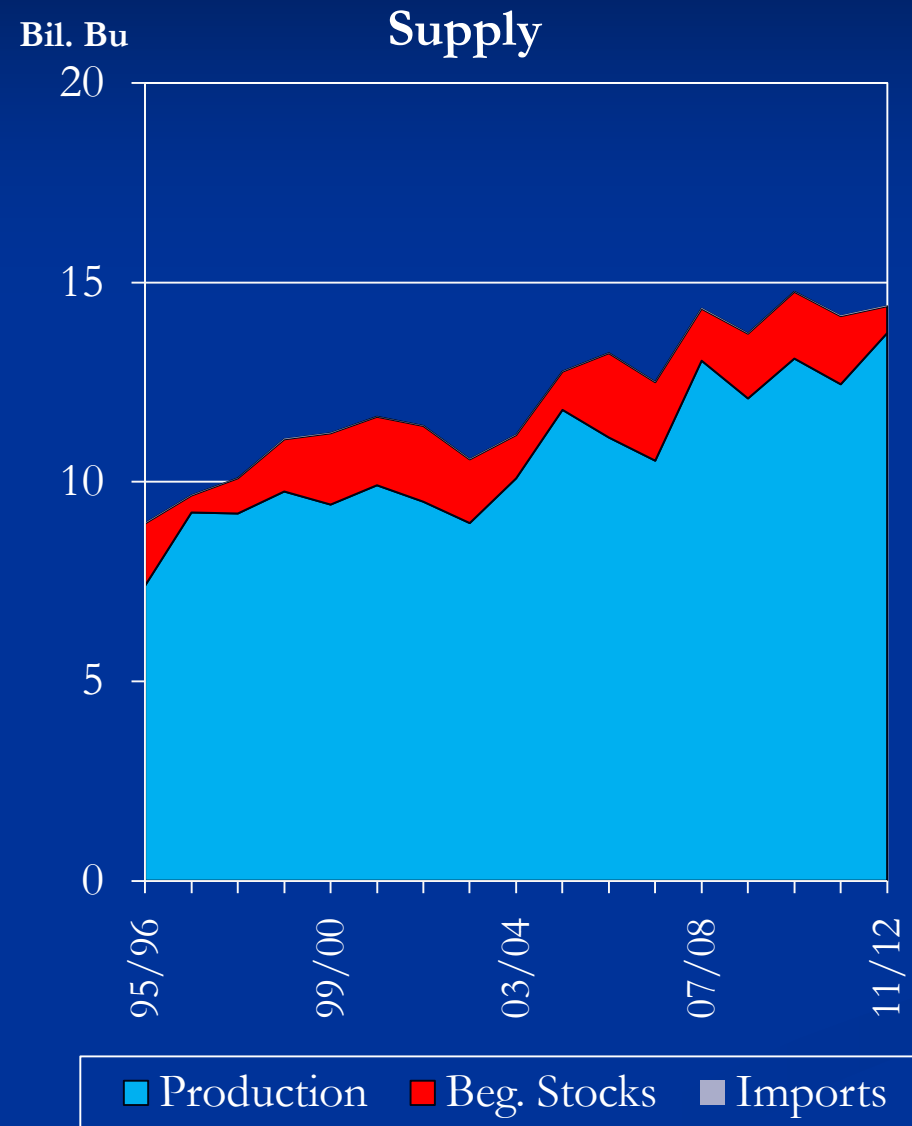


Net Returns for Corn and Soybeans Historically High

\$/acre



U.S. Corn: A Record Crop, Tight Carry-In Stocks, Strong Use



Gradual Recovery in Gasoline Consumption Supports Growth in Ethanol

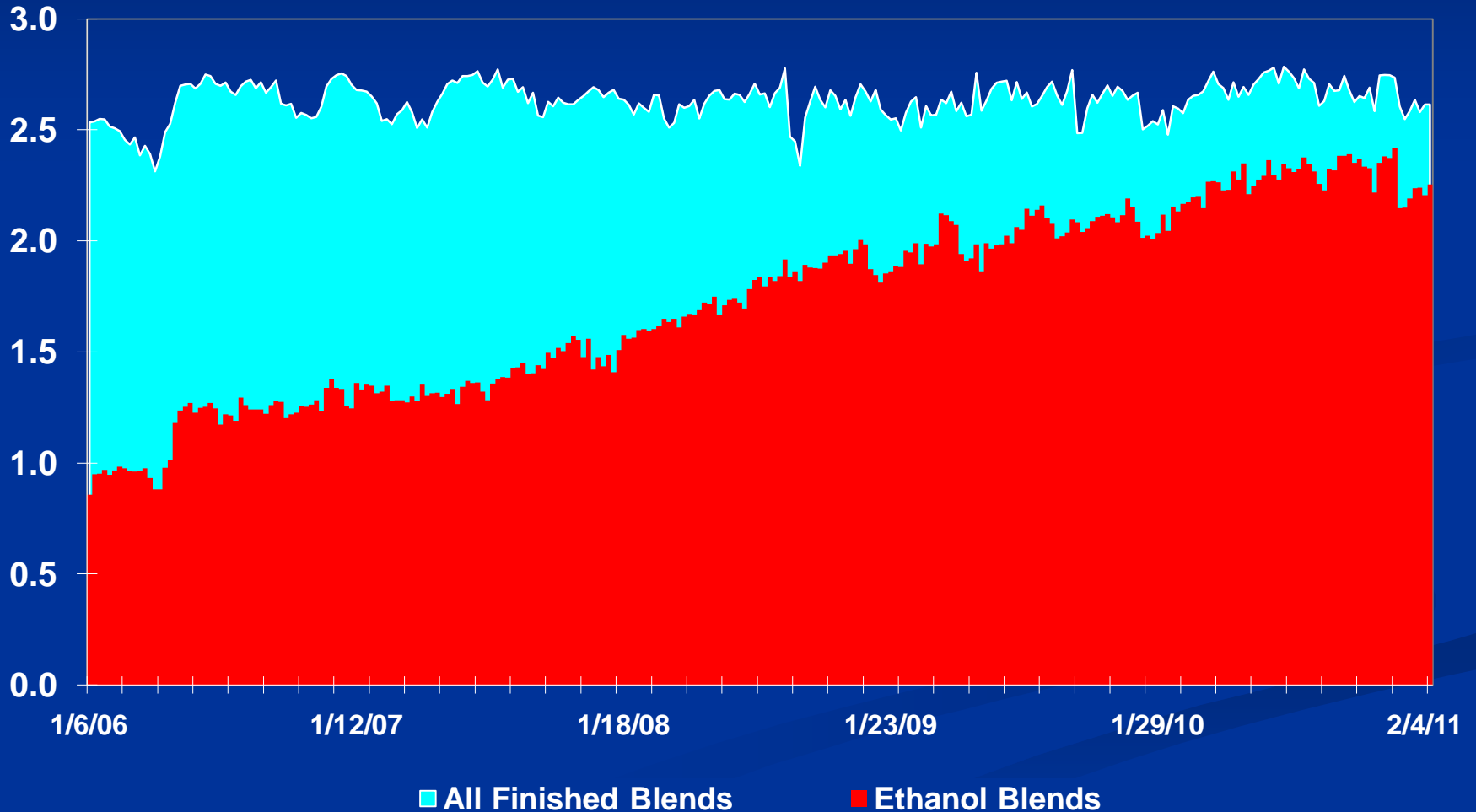
Bil. gallons



Source: Energy Information Administration

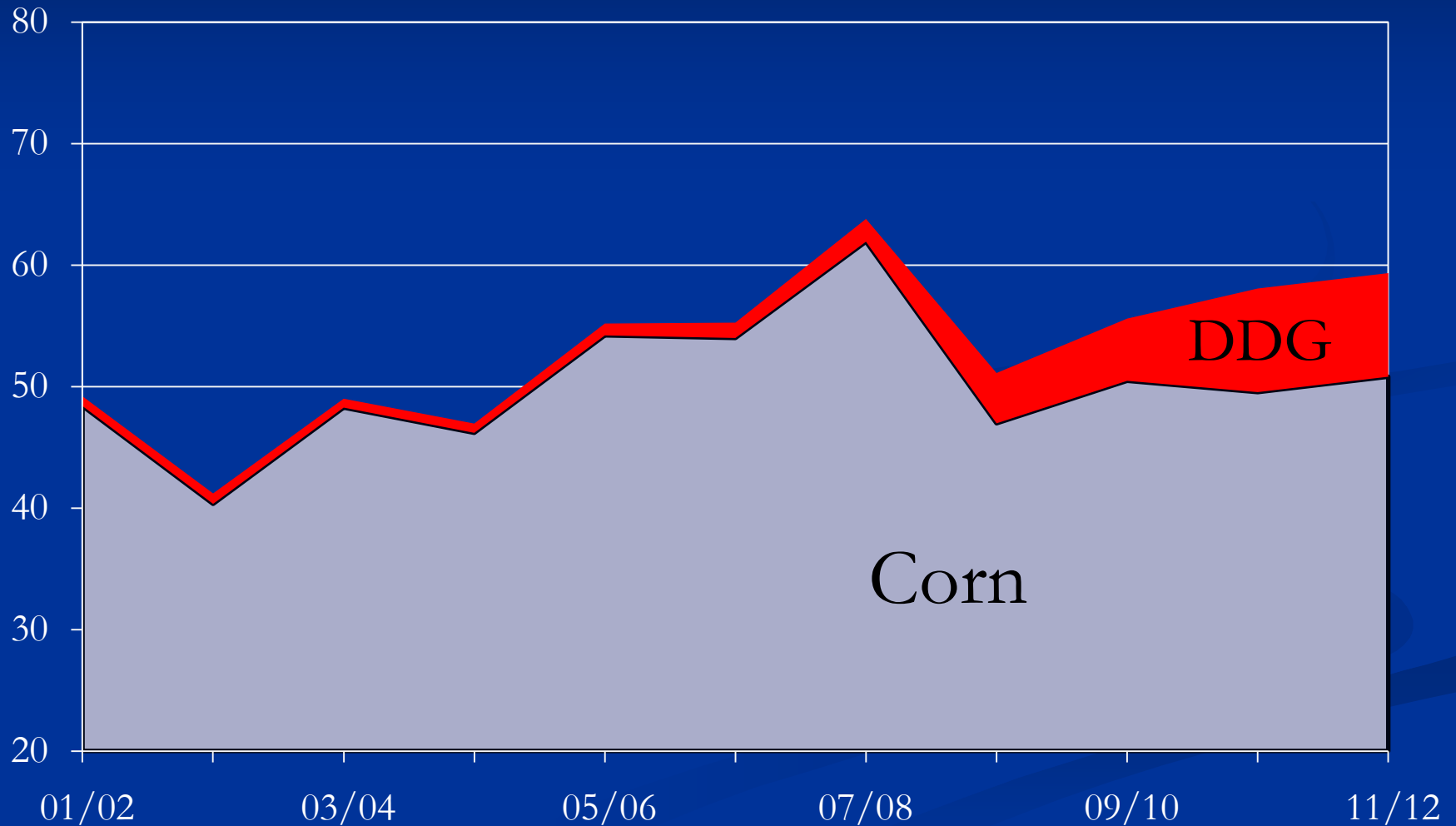
But Ethanol Usage Constrained By Market For E10

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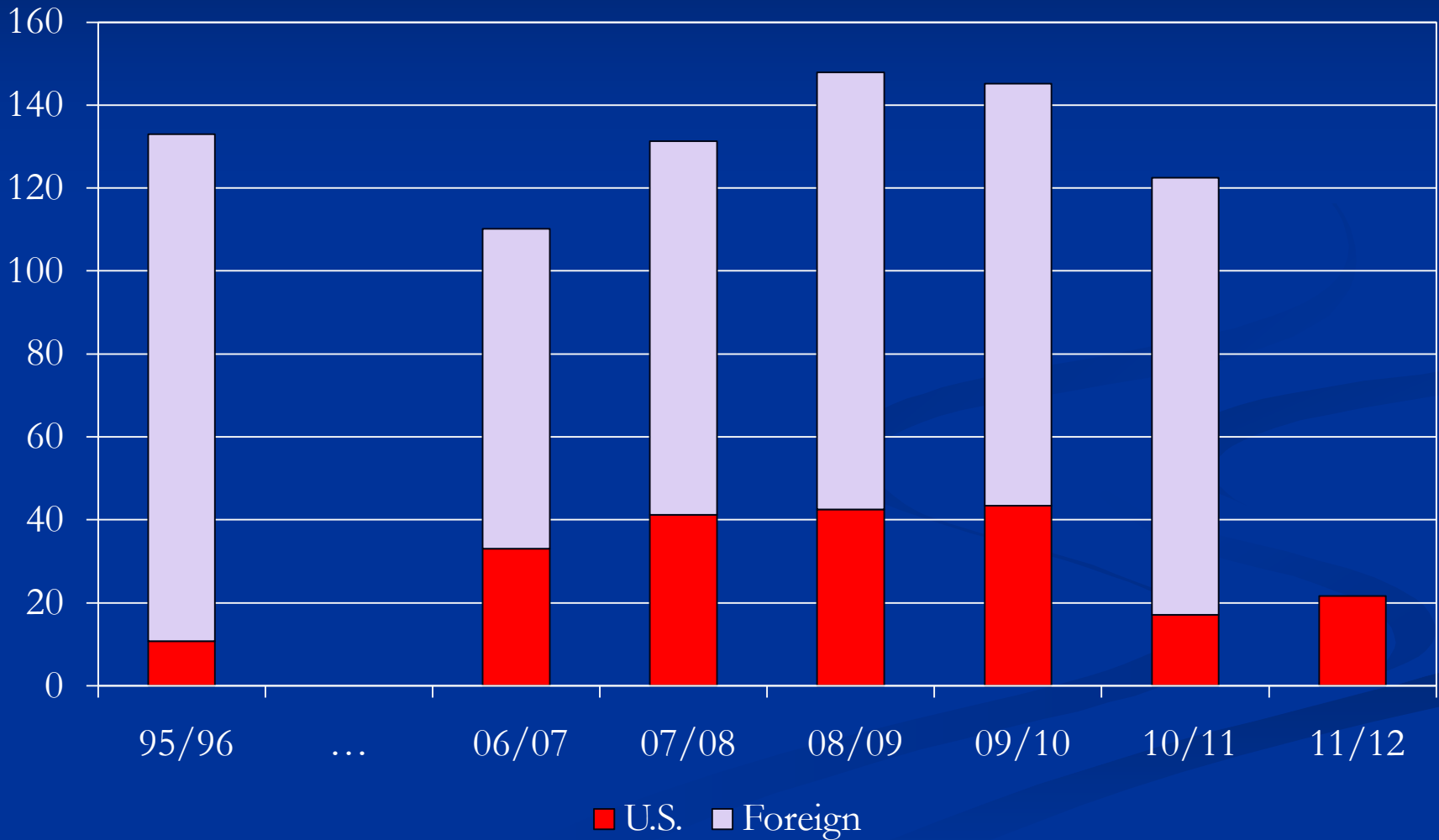
U.S. Maintains Corn Exports While DDG Exports Grow

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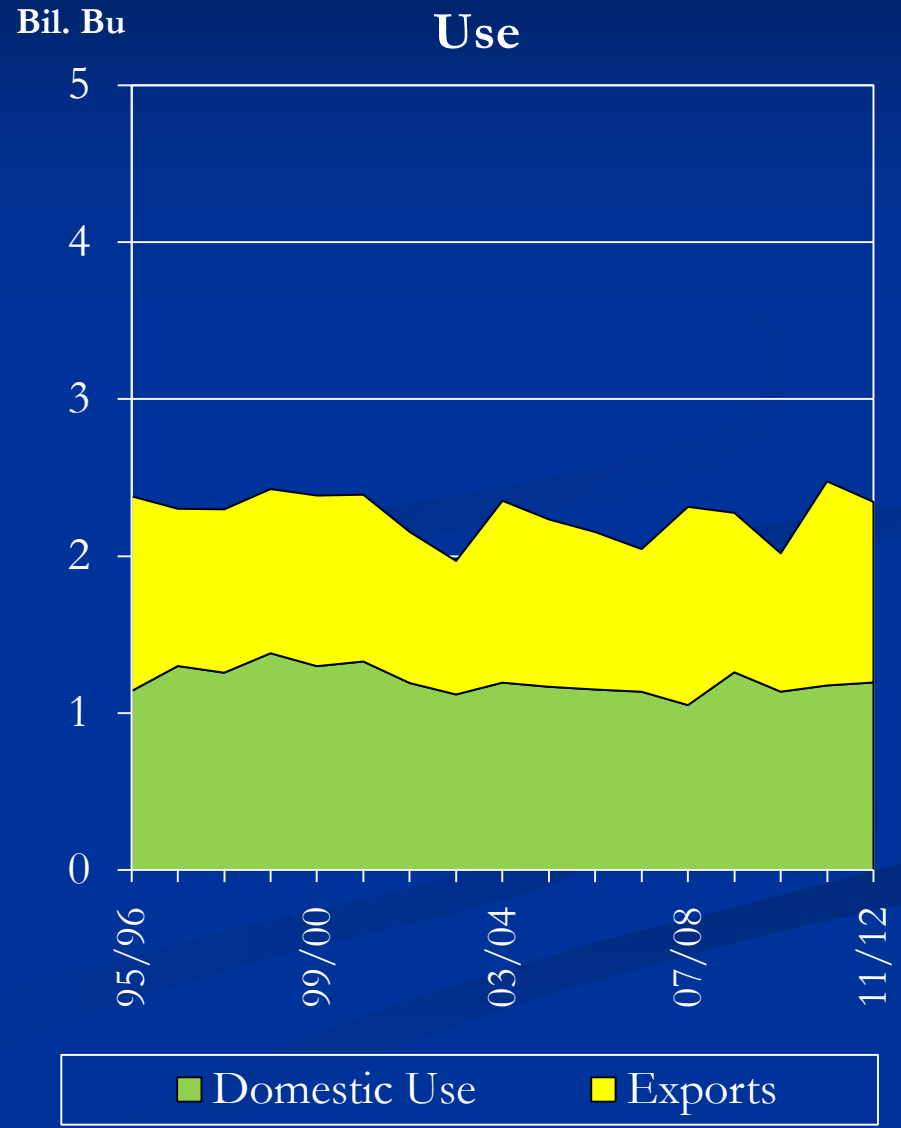
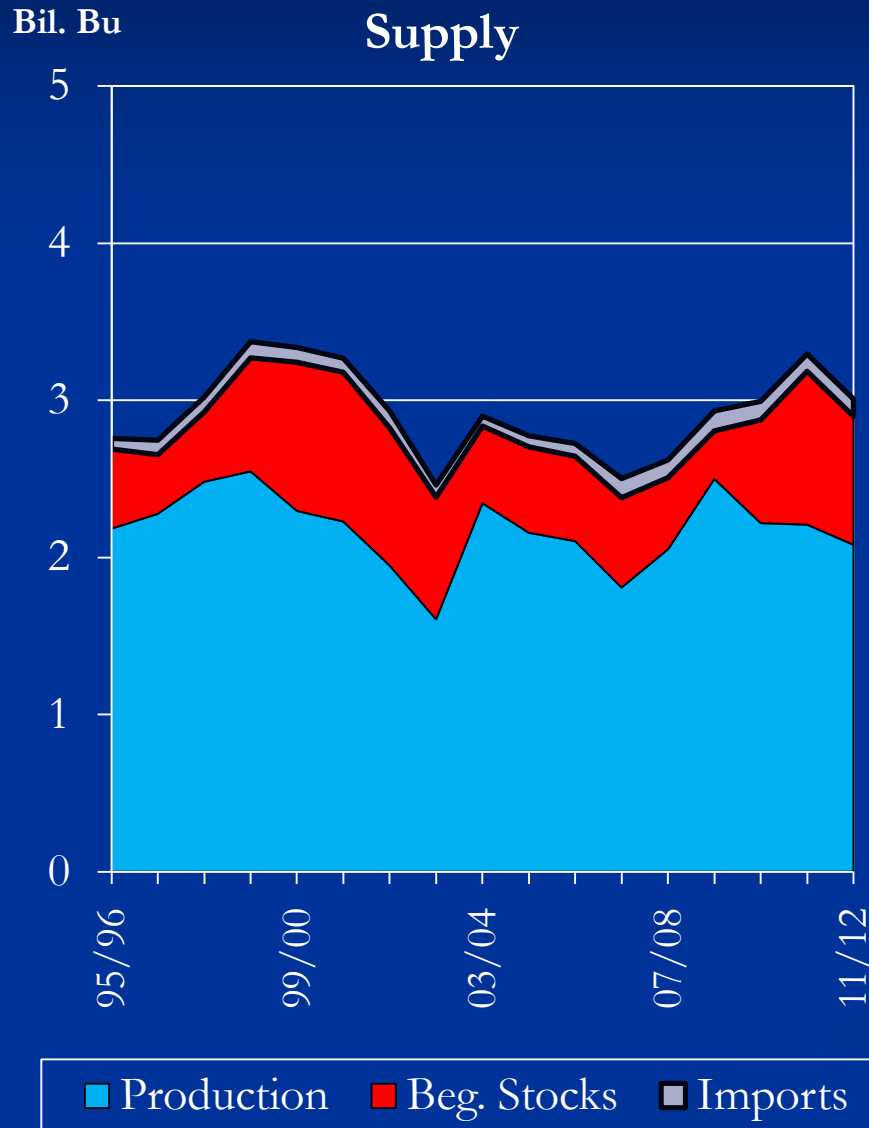


U.S. Corn Ending Stocks Would Be The Second Lowest Since 95/96

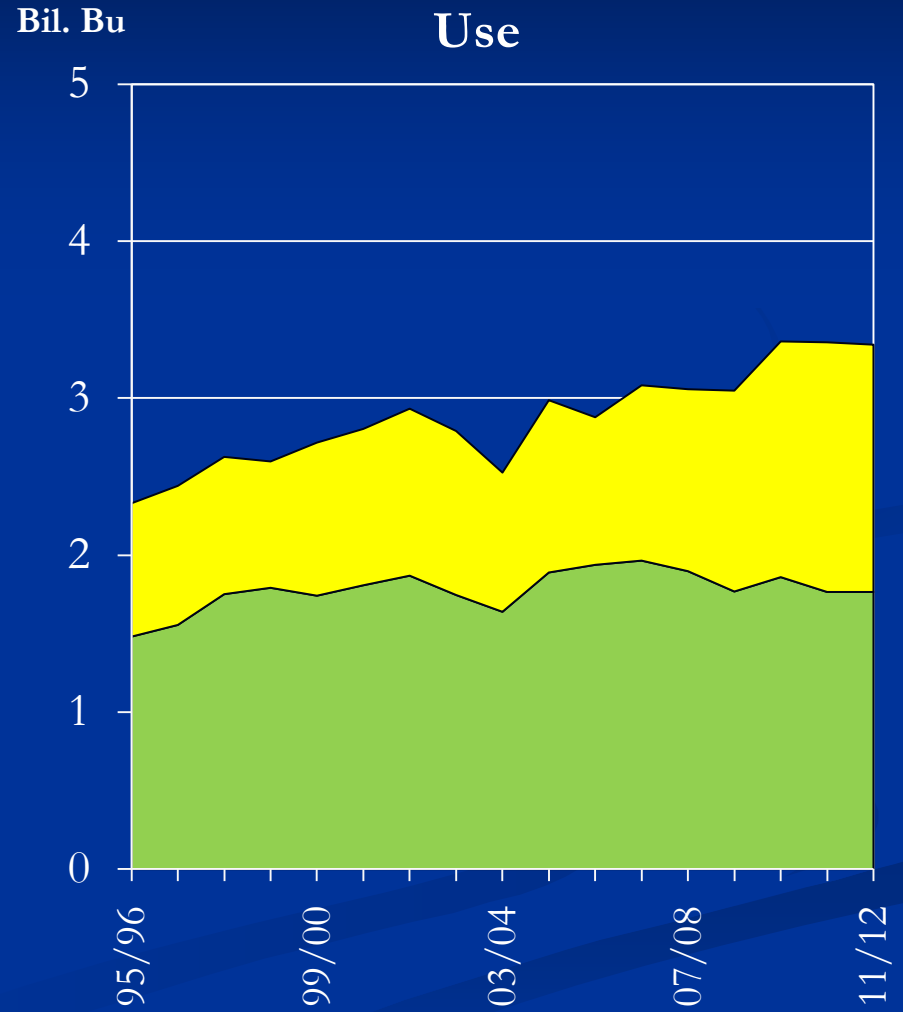
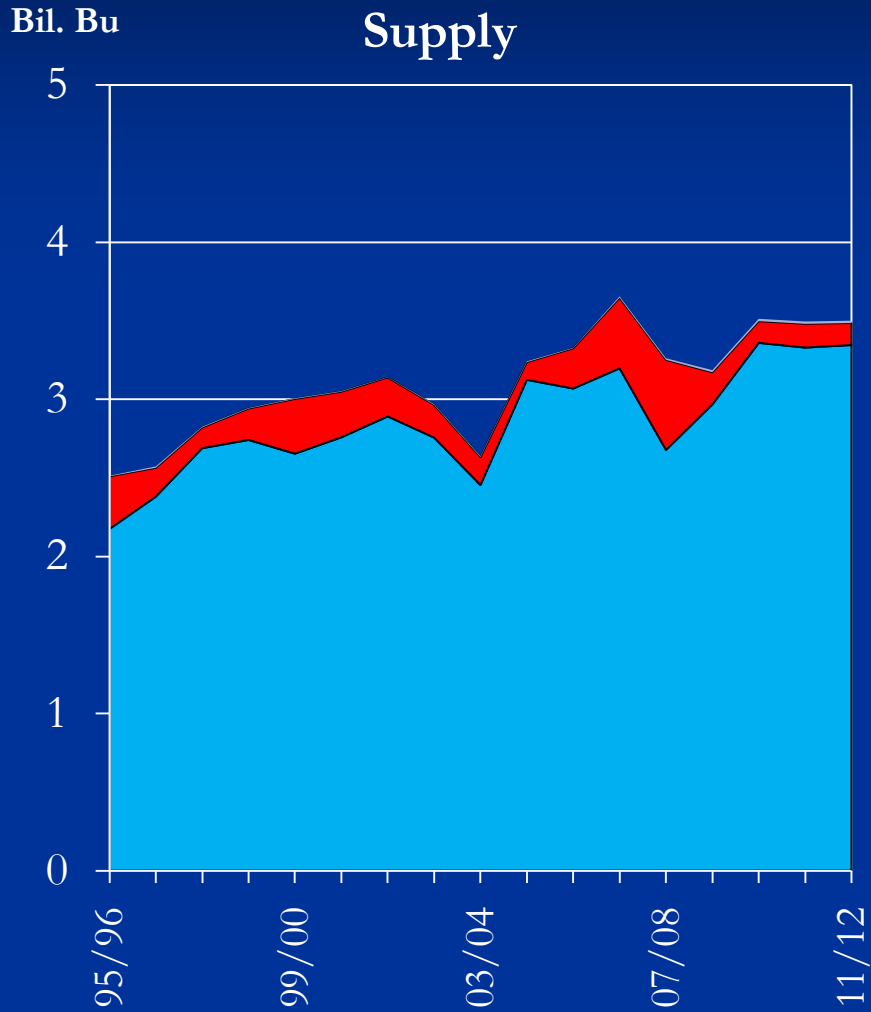
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U.S. Wheat: Lower Production and Carry-In Stocks, Exports Still Strong



U.S. Soybeans: Bumper Crop and Tight Carry-In Stocks, Strong Exports and Crush



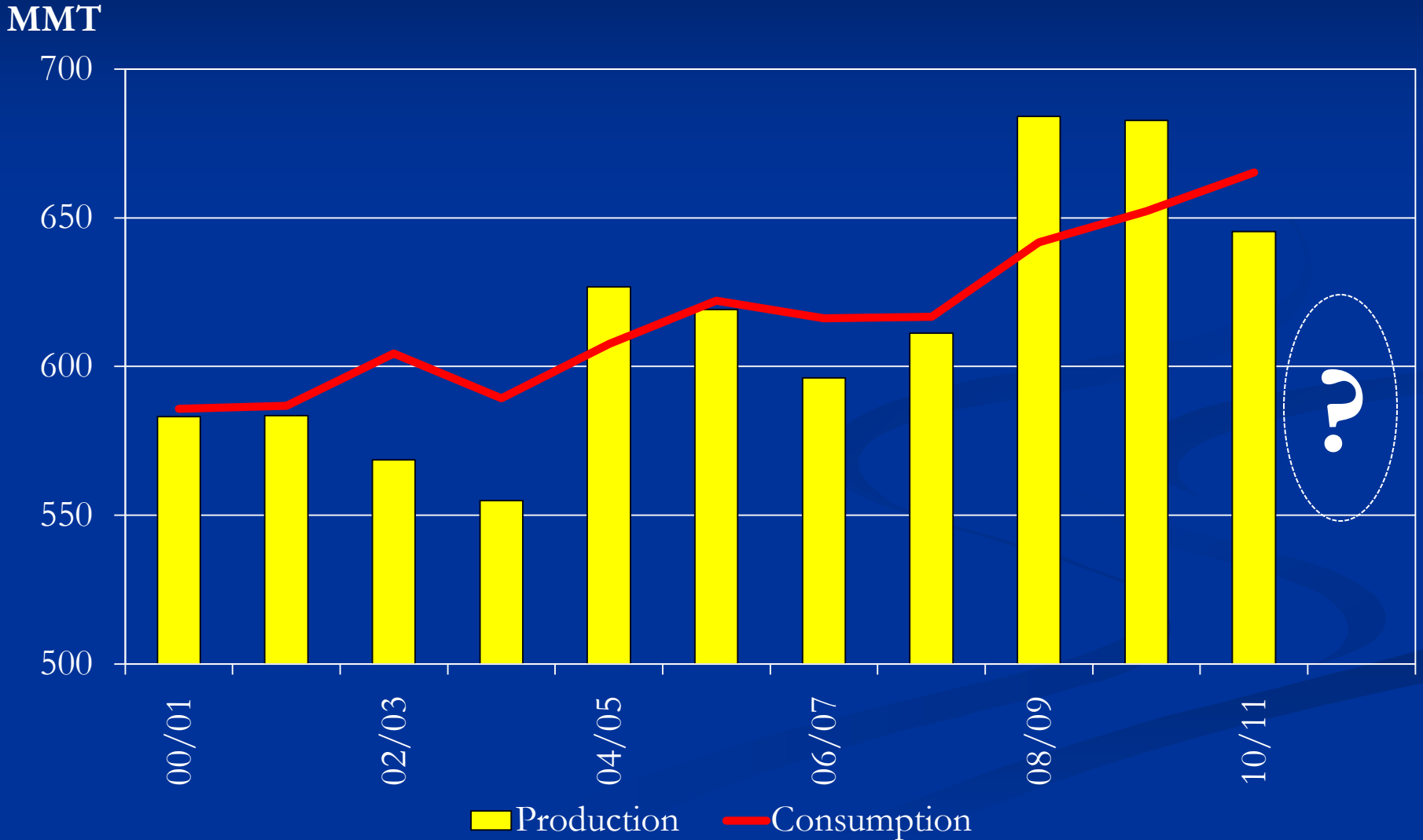
■ Production
 ■ Beg. Stocks
 ■ Imports

■ Domestic Use
 ■ Exports

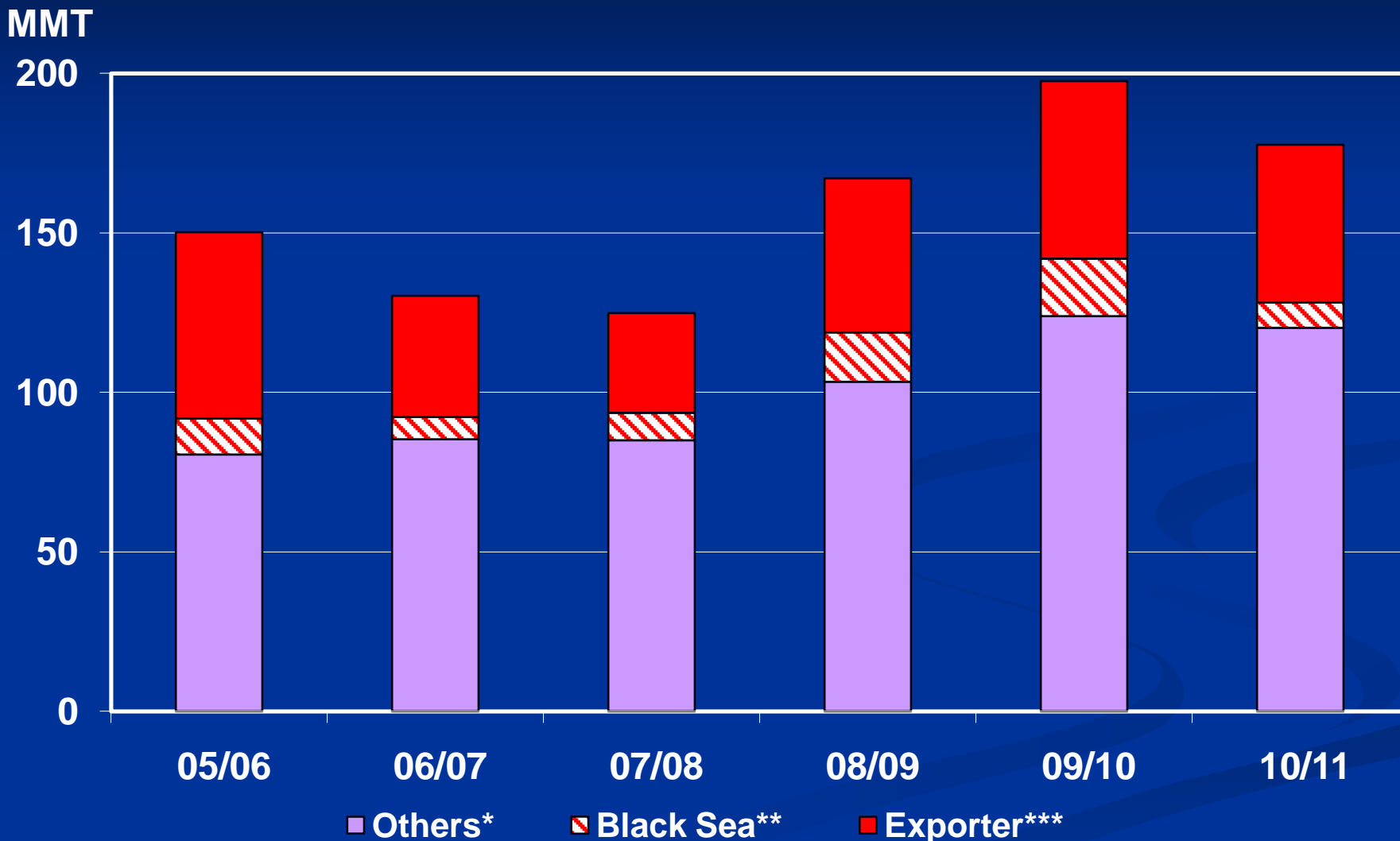
Global Factors Shaping 2011

- Degree of Russian crop recovery
- Production responses: Canada, EU, South America, and Australia
- Continued surging demand for feed ingredients, particularly in China

Wheat: Need More Production to Meet Rising Global Consumption

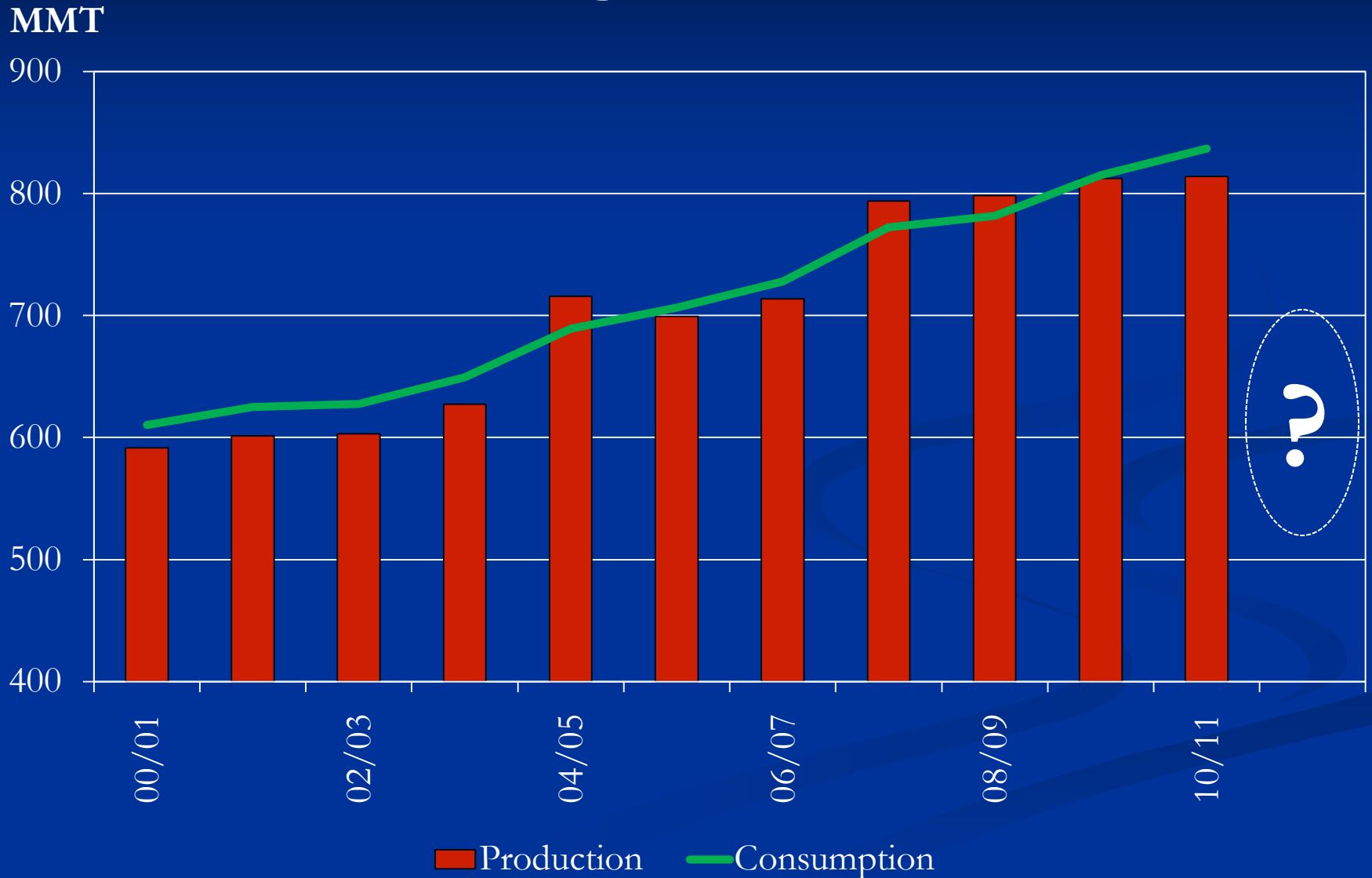


Wheat Stocks Held by Exporters Still Ample

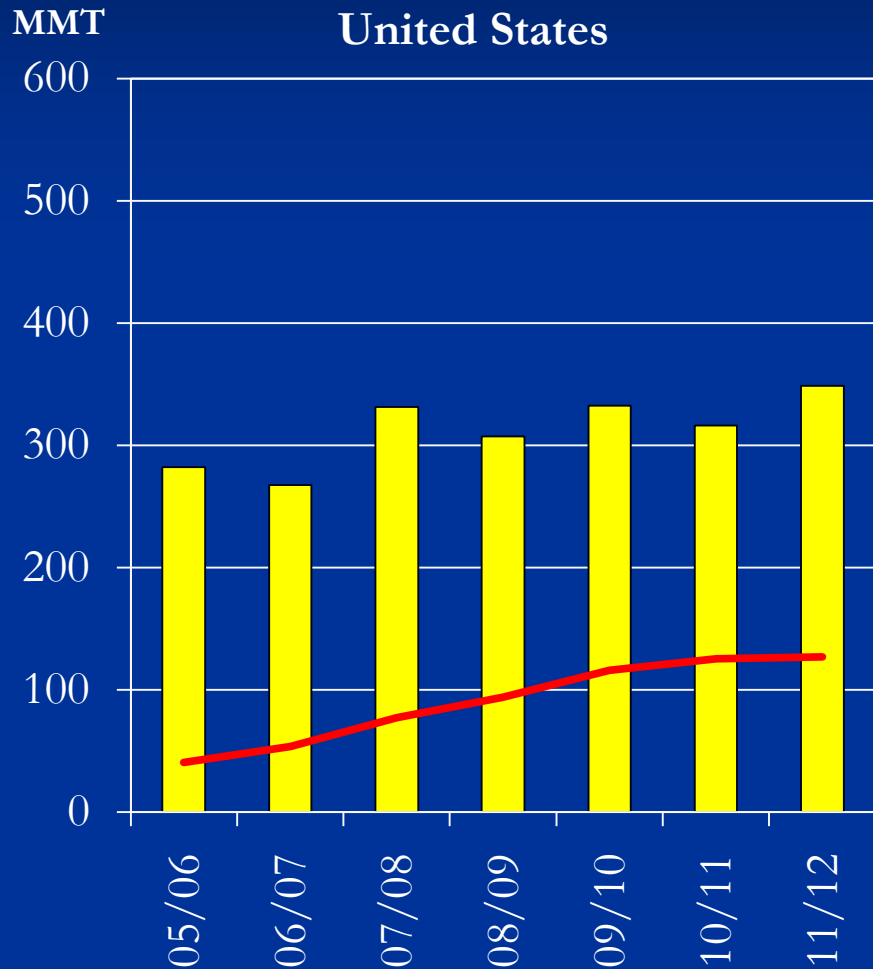


*Most stocks unavailable to World **Kazakhstan, Russia and Ukraine ***Argentina. Australia, Canada, EU, U.S.

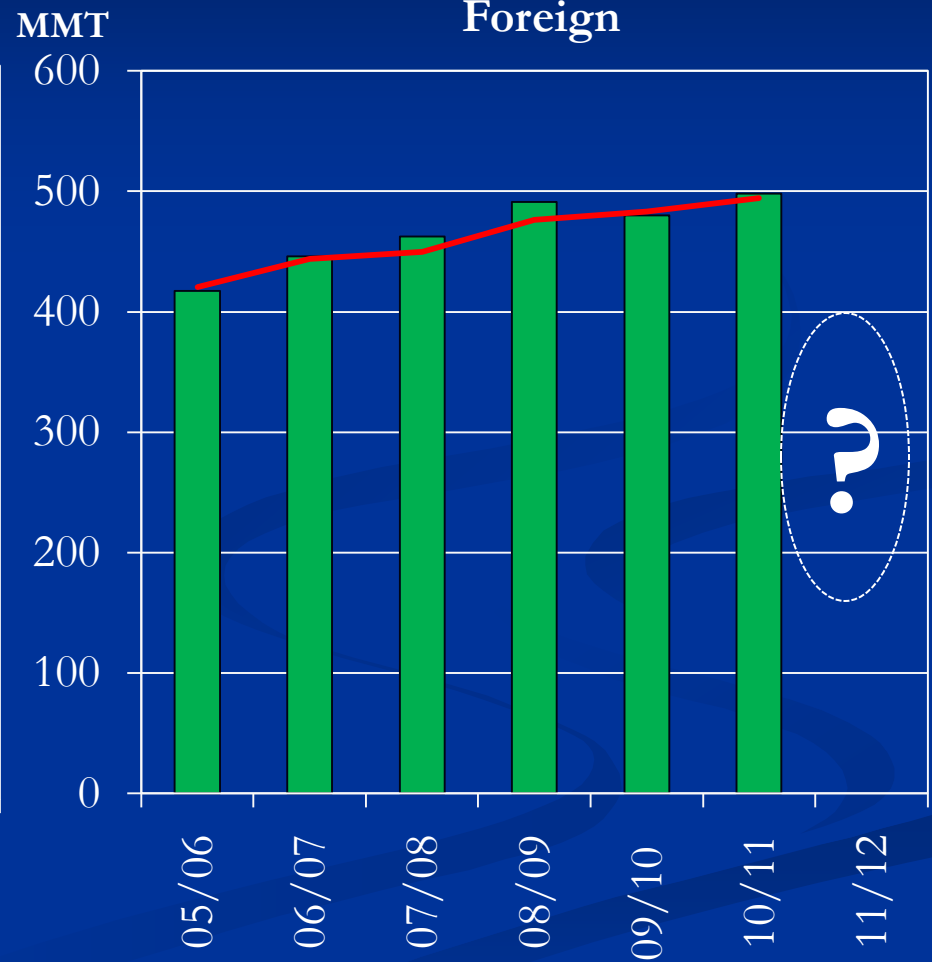
Global Corn Production Expands to Meet Rising Demand



U.S. Corn Production Responds to Ethanol, Foreign Production Responds to Growing Feed Demand



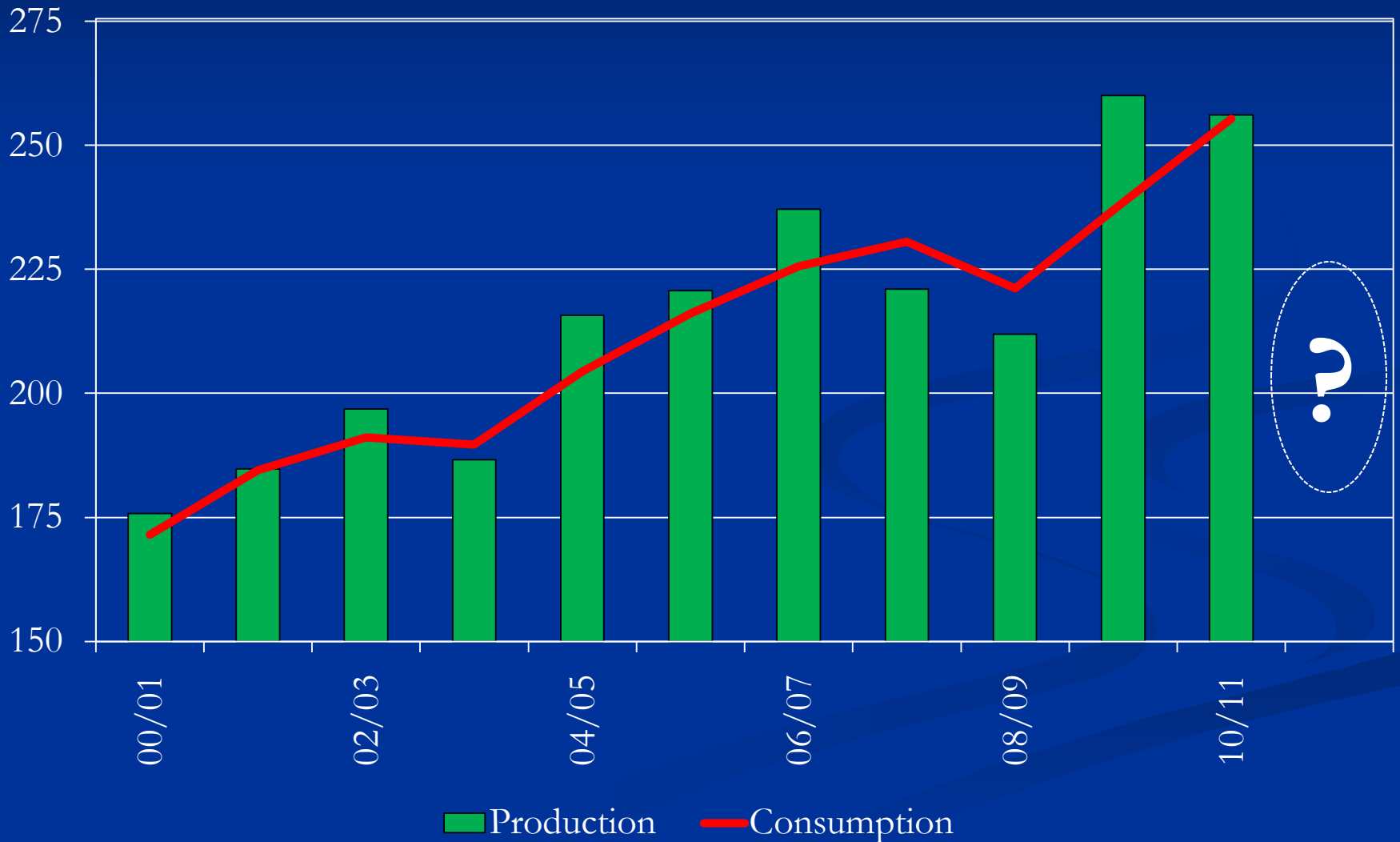
Production Ethanol



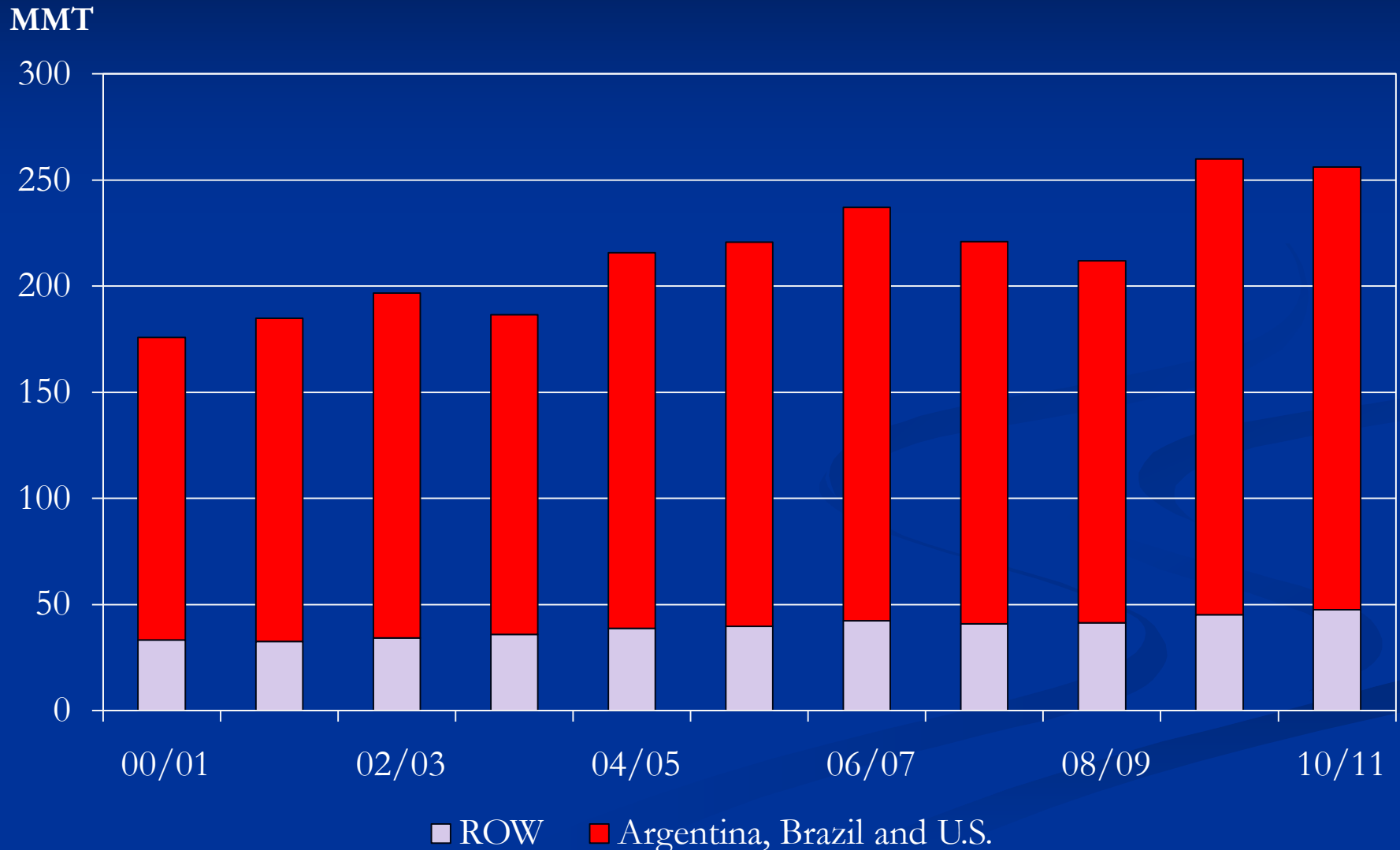
Production Consumption

Soybeans: Higher Global Production Balances Rising Consumption

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United States, Argentina, and Brazil Dominate Growth In Global Soybean Production



Soybean Production Growth: Area in South America, Yield in the U.S.

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Argentina

Brazil

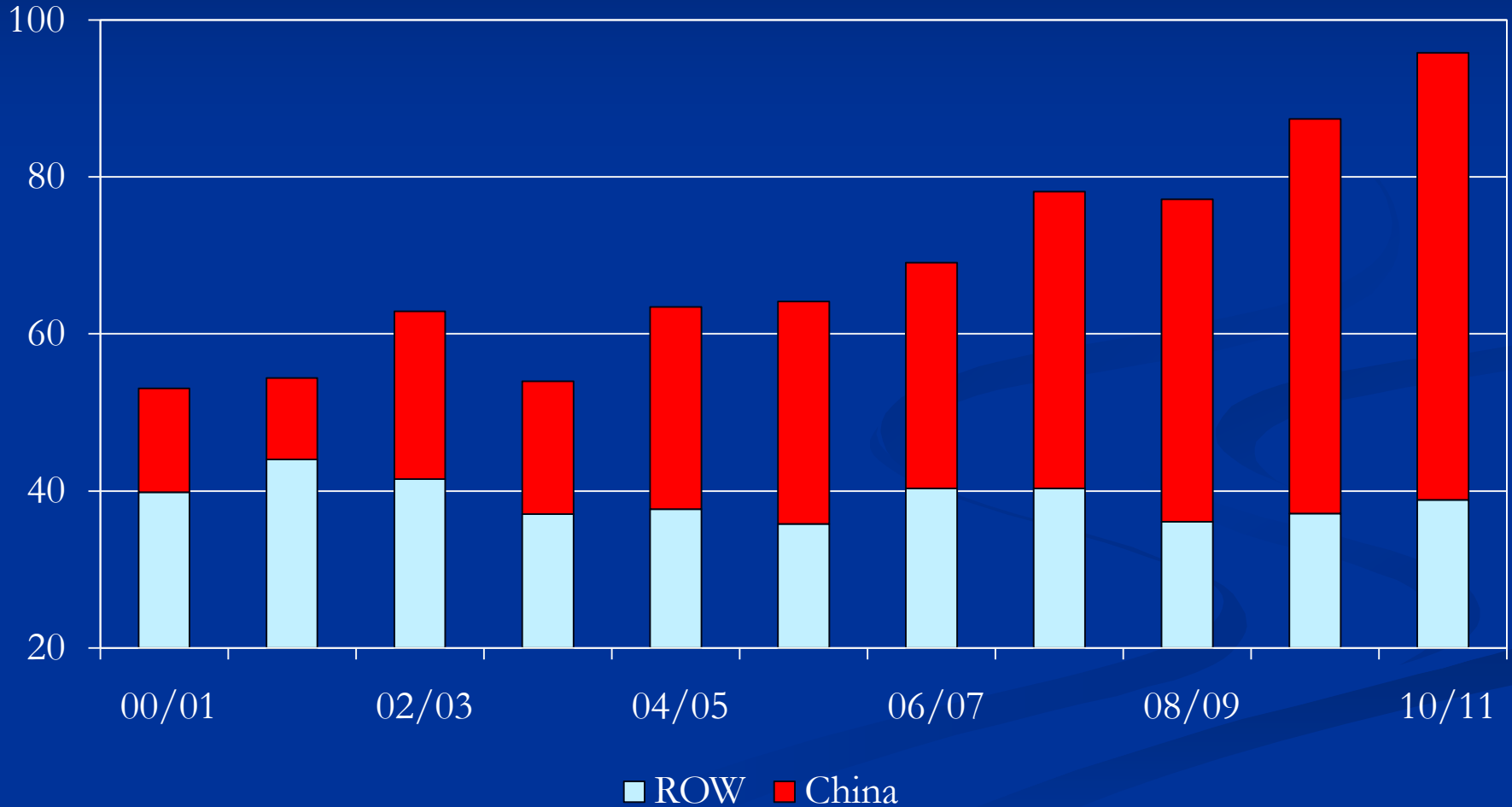
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■ Area ■ Yield

Period is over the last 10 years

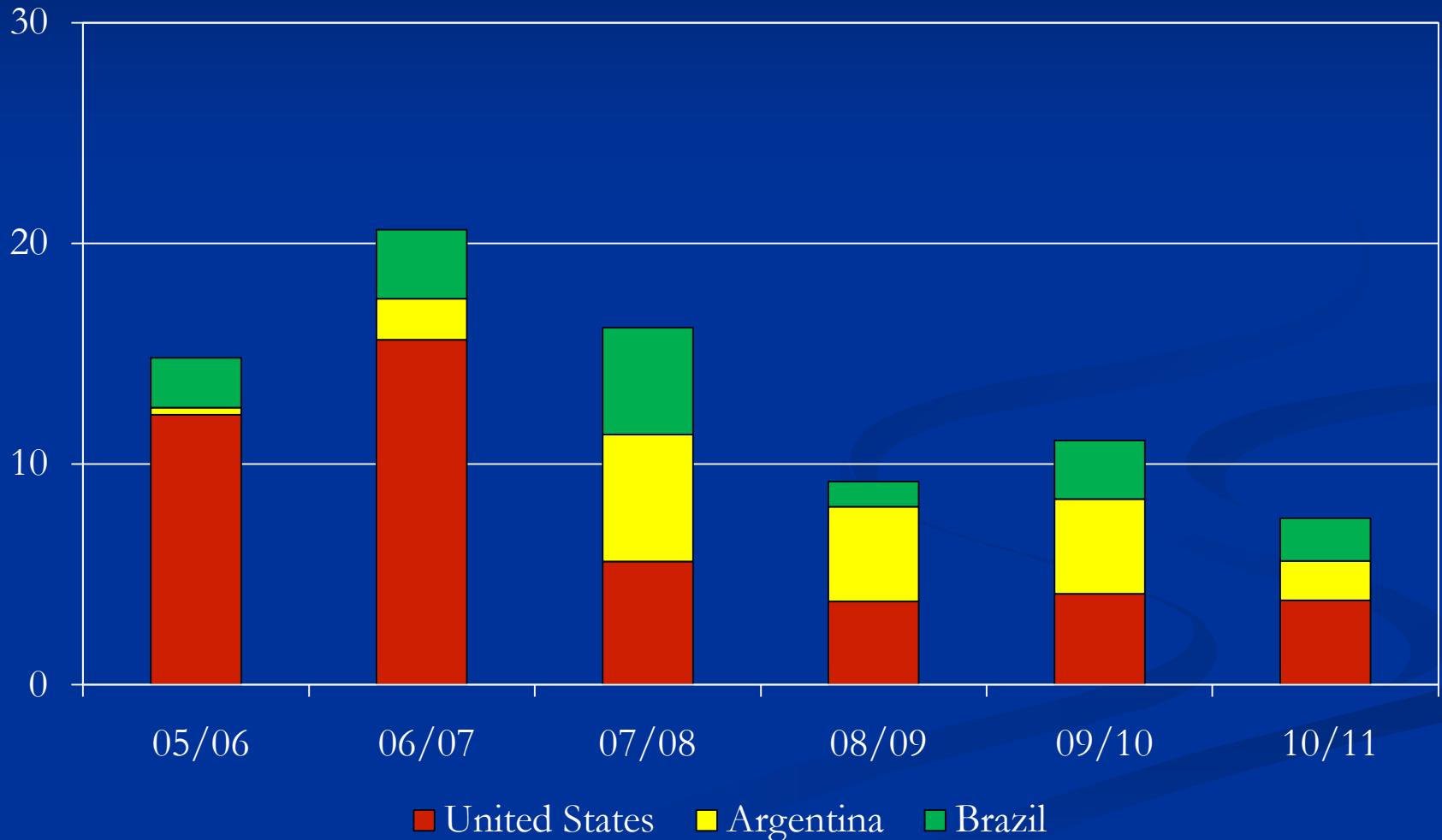
China: All of the Growth In Soybean Import Demand

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Soybean Stocks Available to The World: Record Low in 10/11

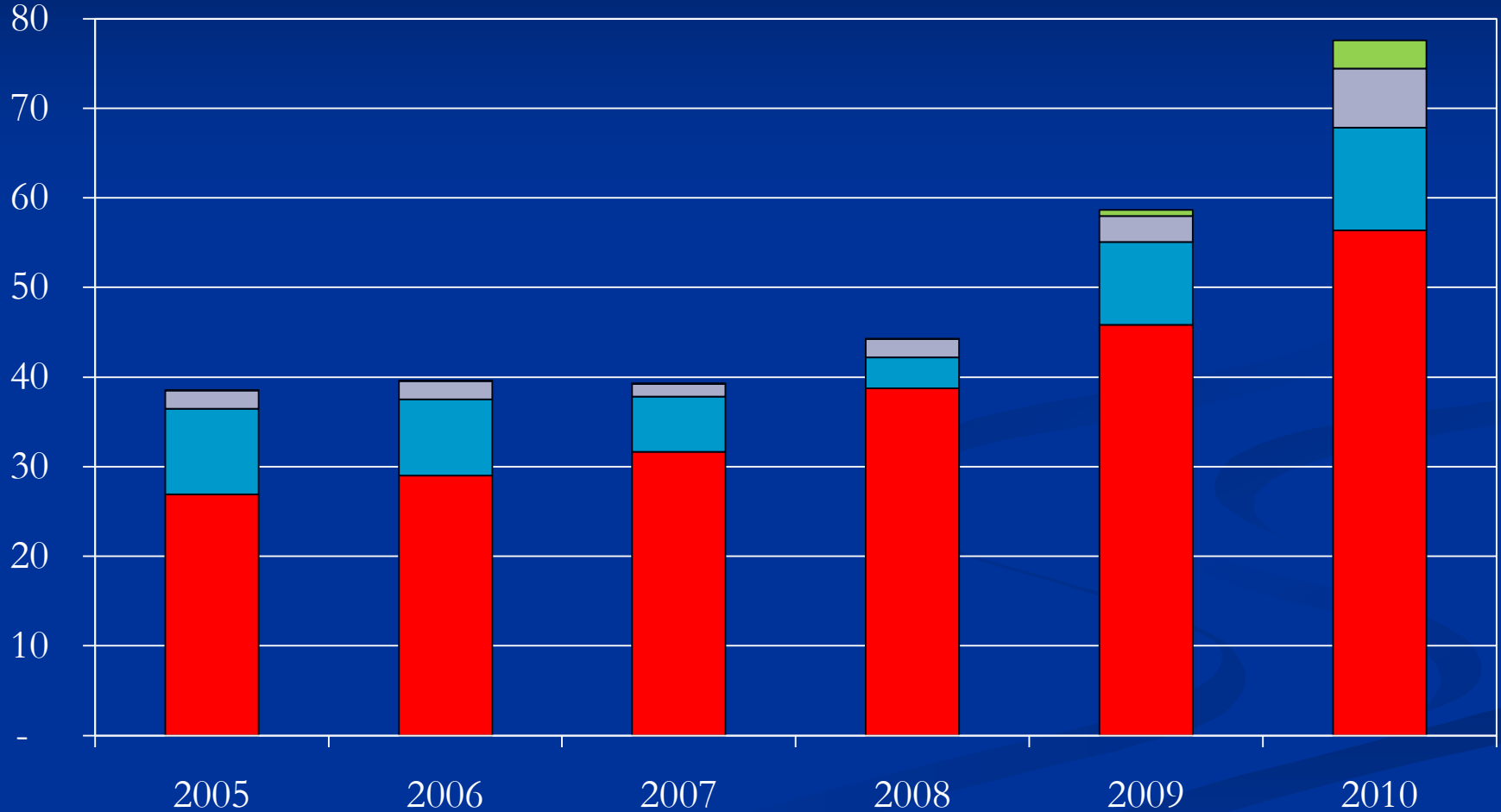
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China: The Wild Card!

China: Feed Ingredient Imports Double

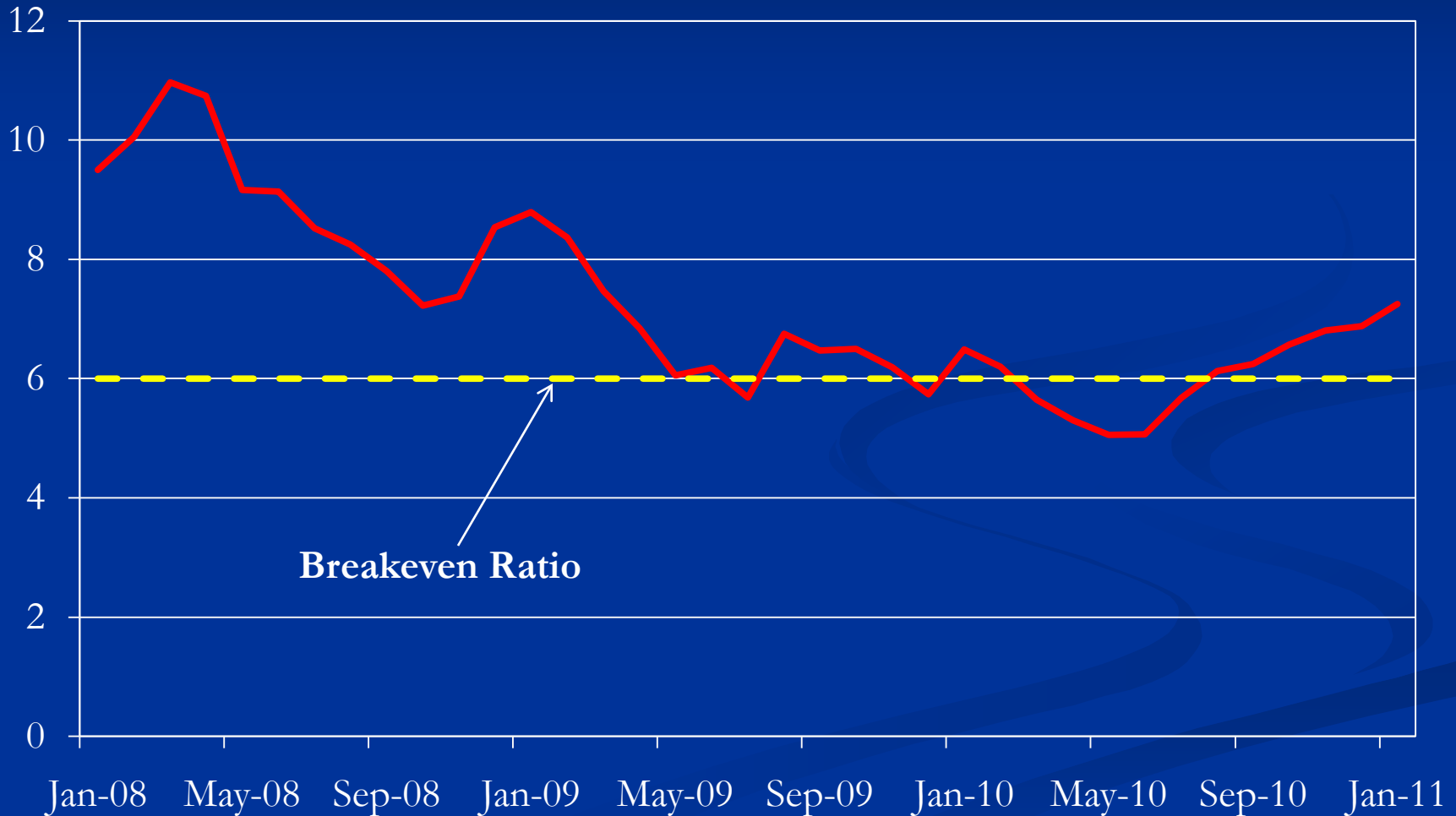
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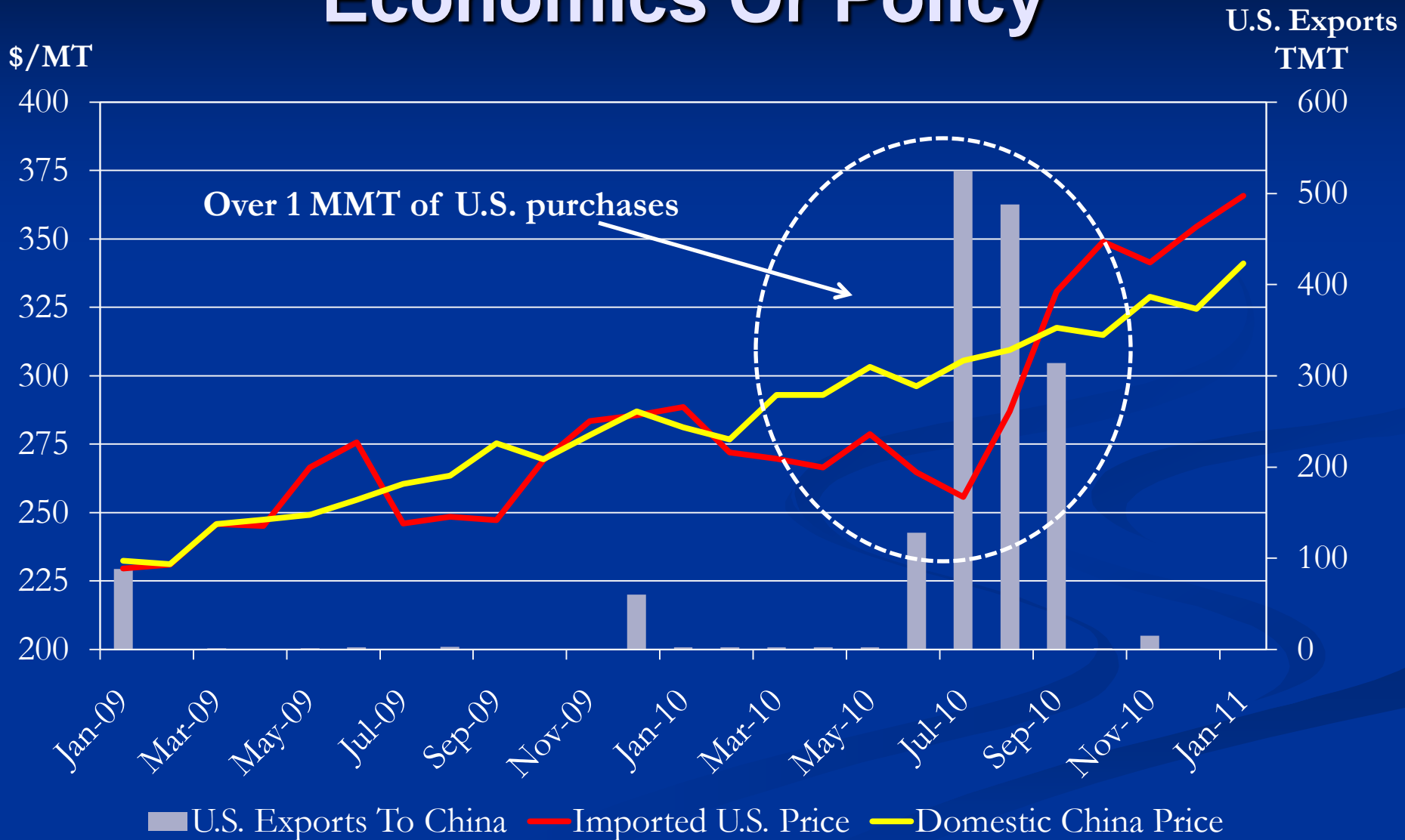
Oilseeds Cereals & Energy Sources (Cassava) Protein Crops and Meals DDGs

China: Hog Operations Turn Profitable On Soaring Hog Prices Relative to Corn

Hog/Corn Ratio



China's Corn Imports: Economics Or Policy



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