

Monitoring production of main producing countries

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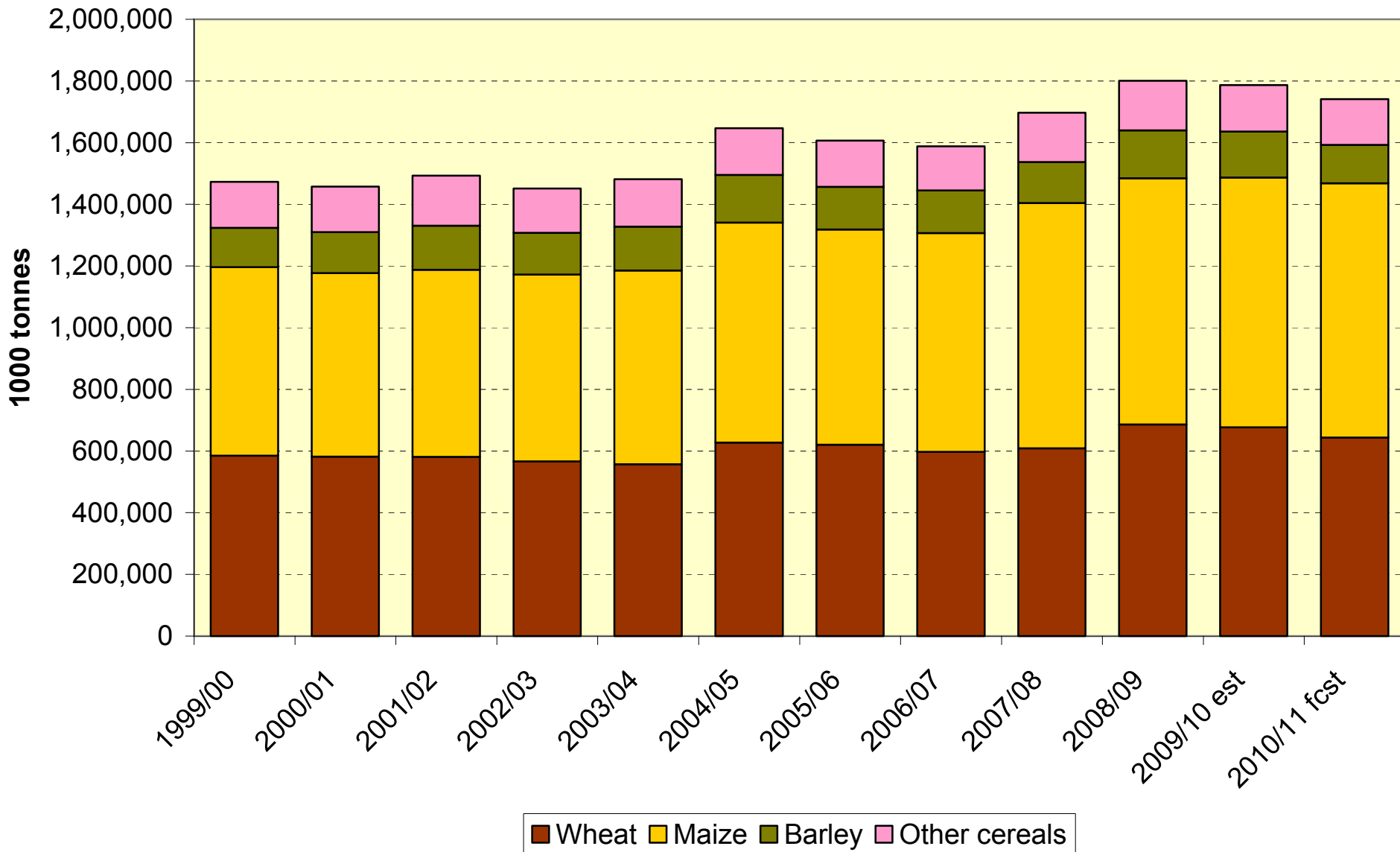
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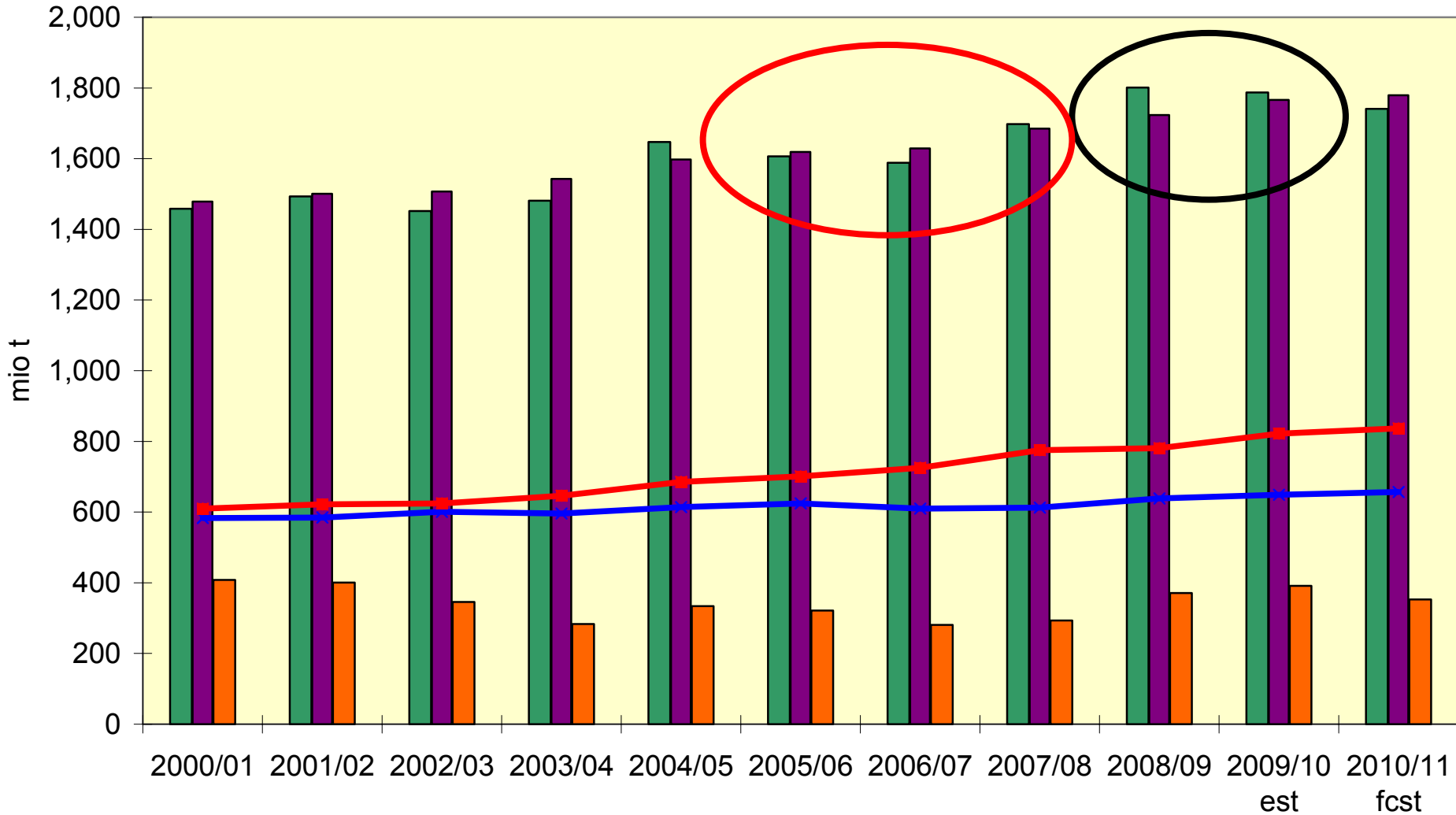
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World cereal production – evolution 1999 - 2010



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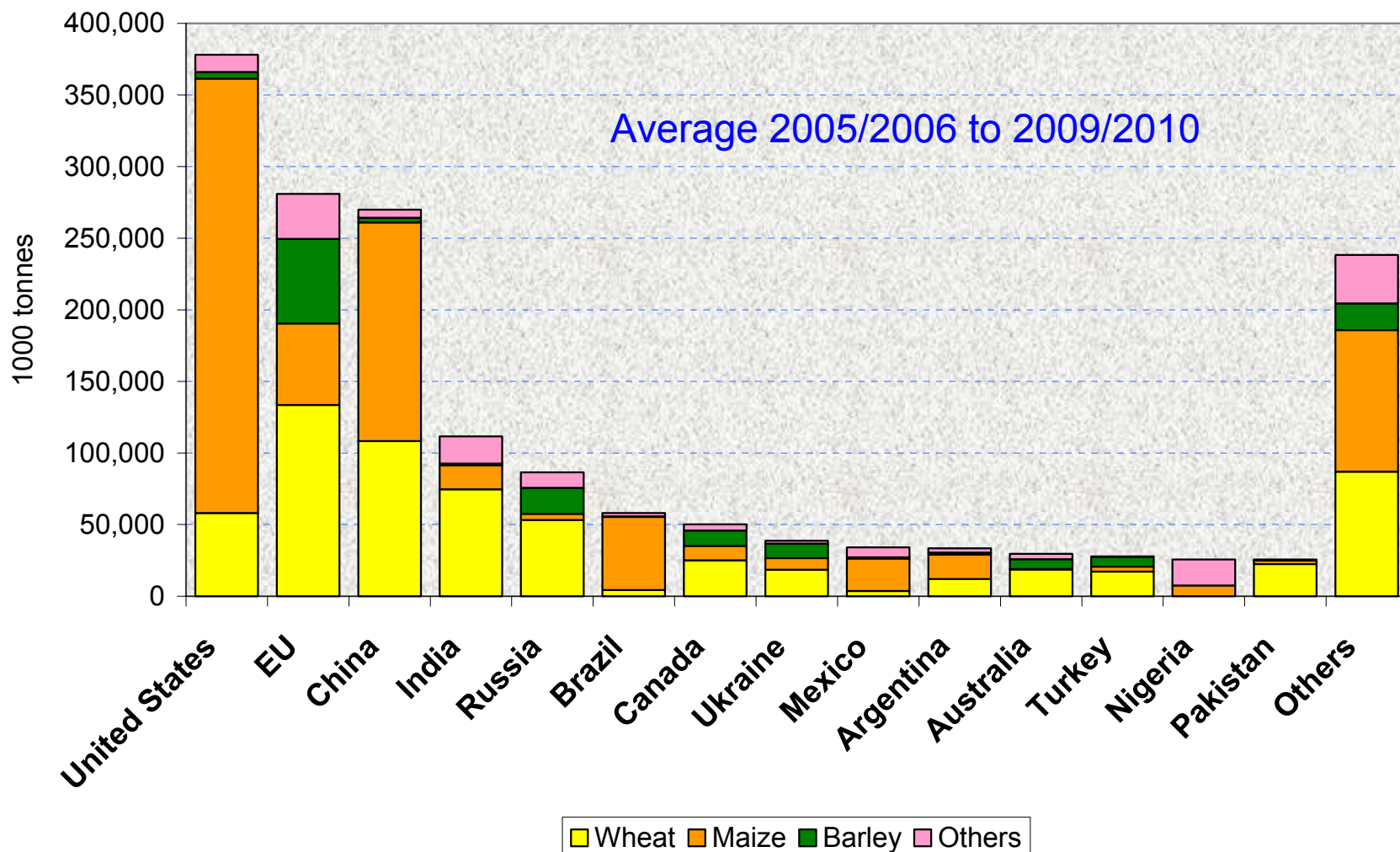
World cereal production and consumption – 2000 - 2010



Legend: Total production (green bar), Ending Stocks (orange bar), Total Consumption (purple bar), Wheat Consumption (blue line with x markers), Maize Consumption (red line with + markers)

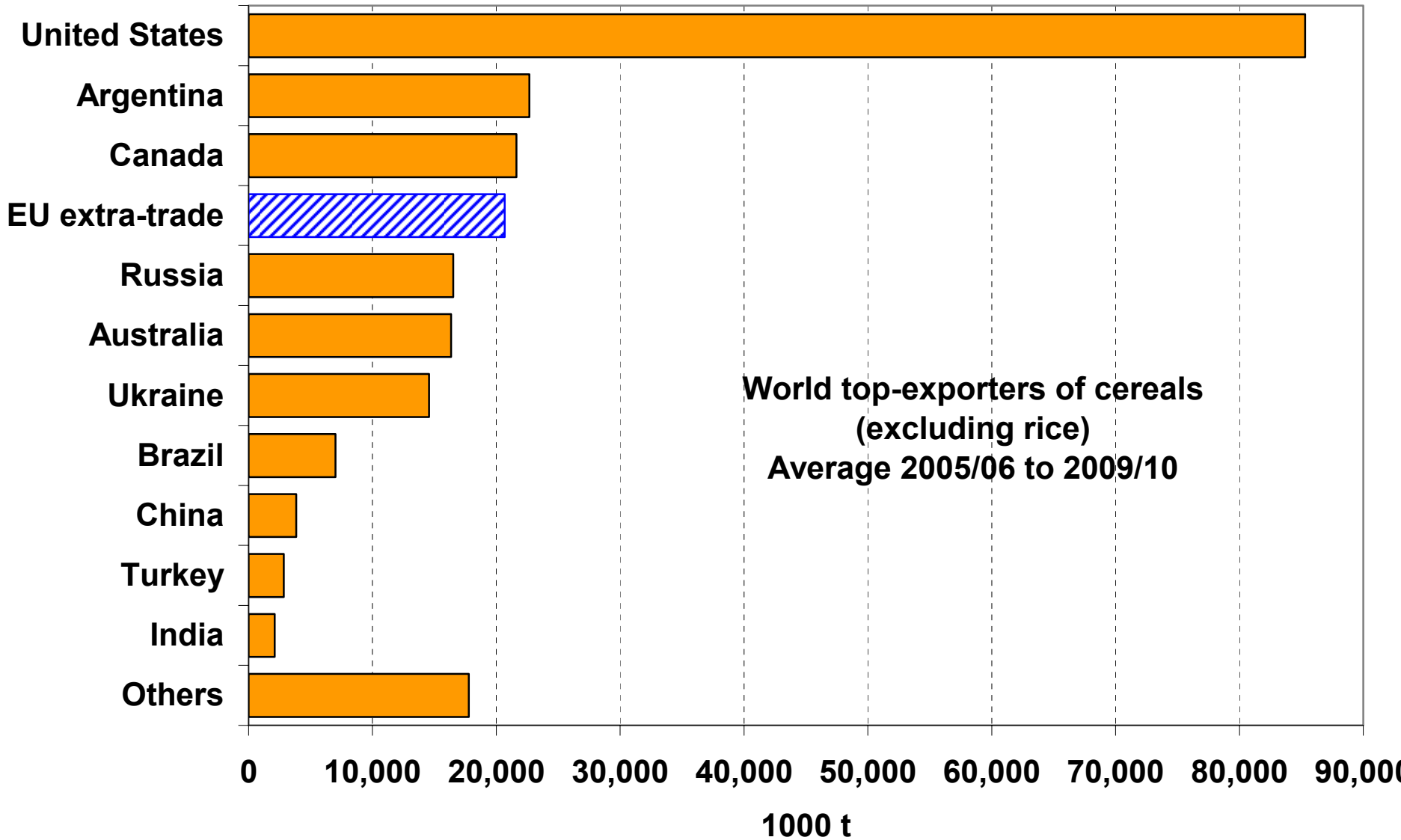
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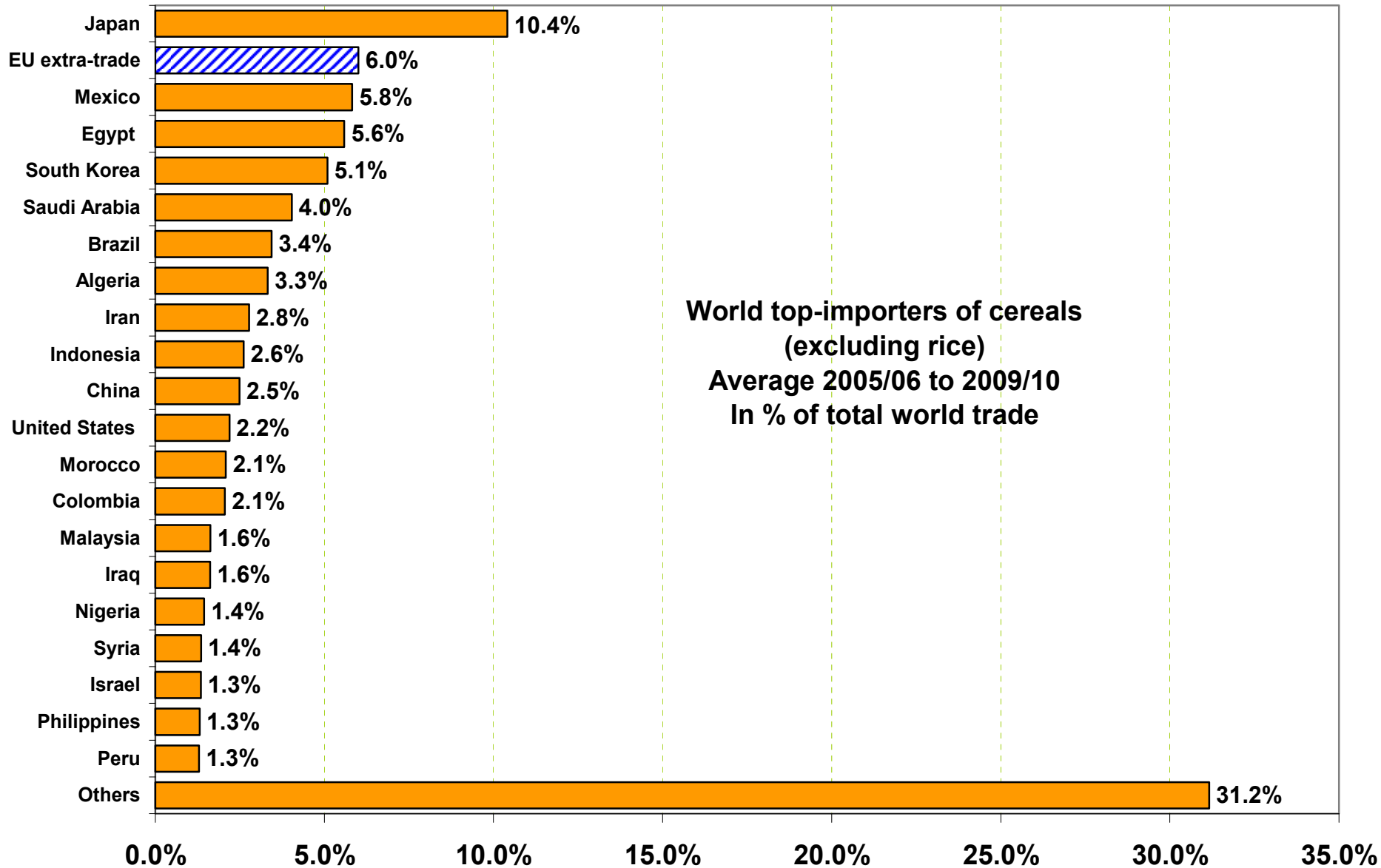
Main cereal producers



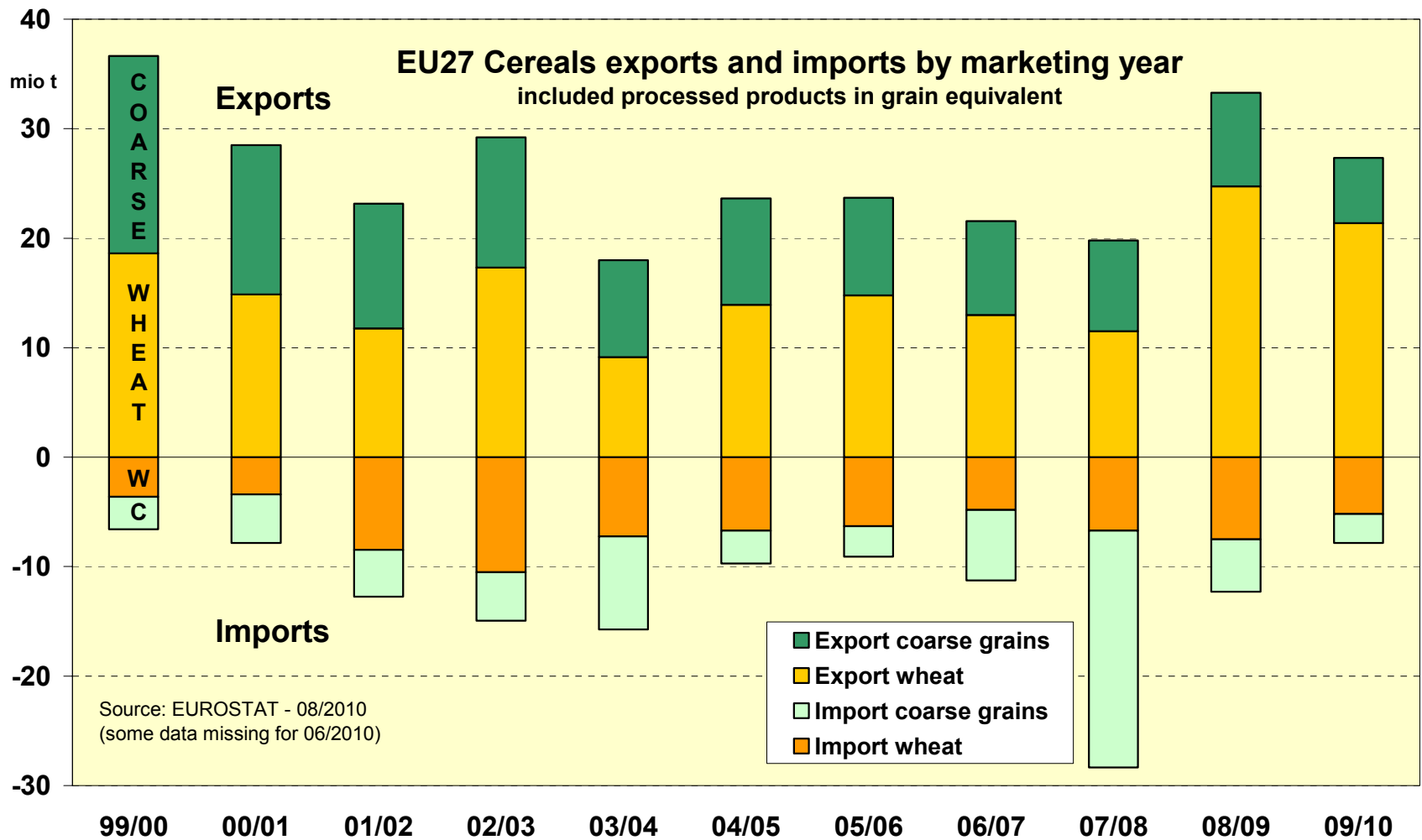
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World cereal main exporters



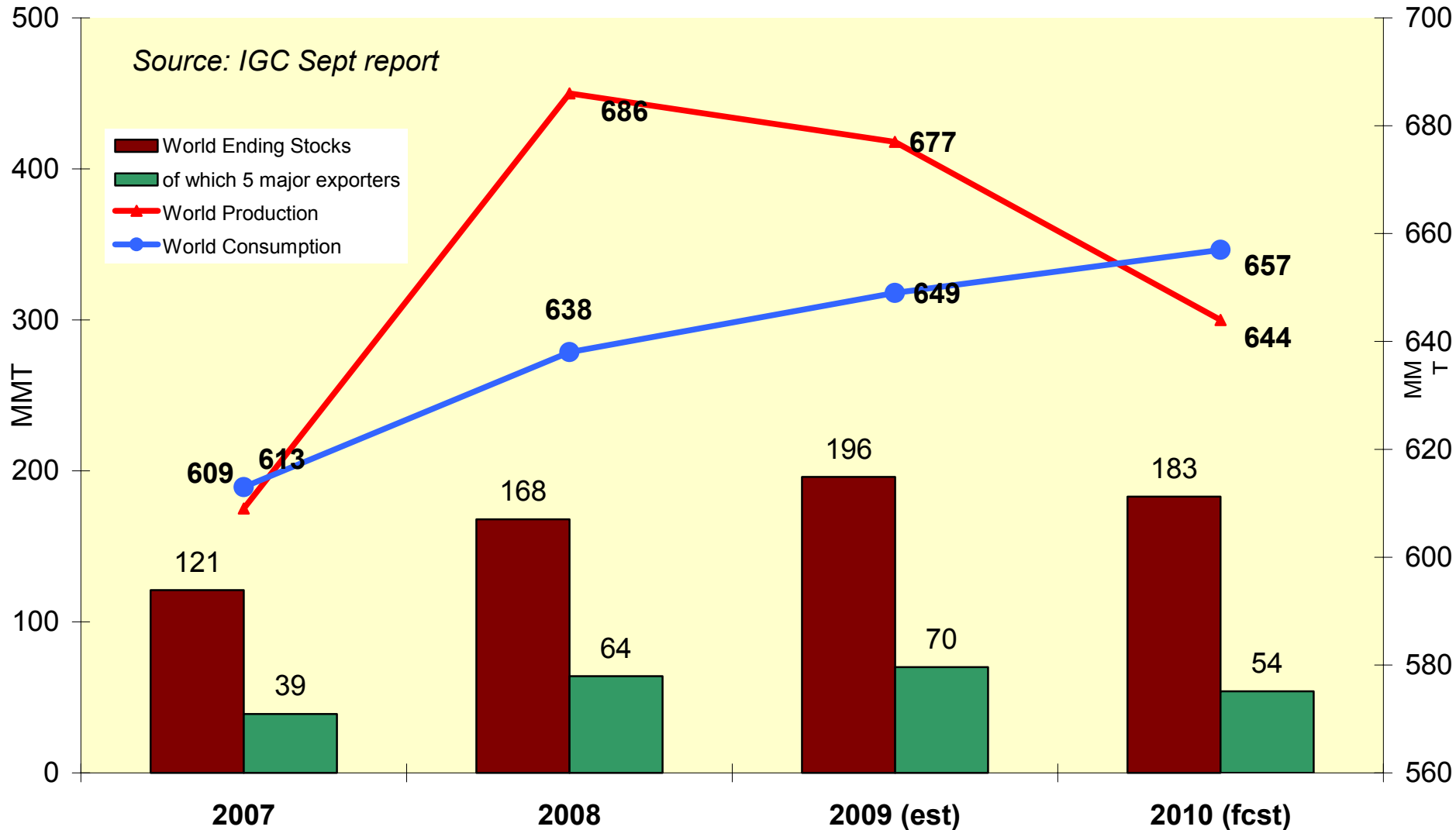


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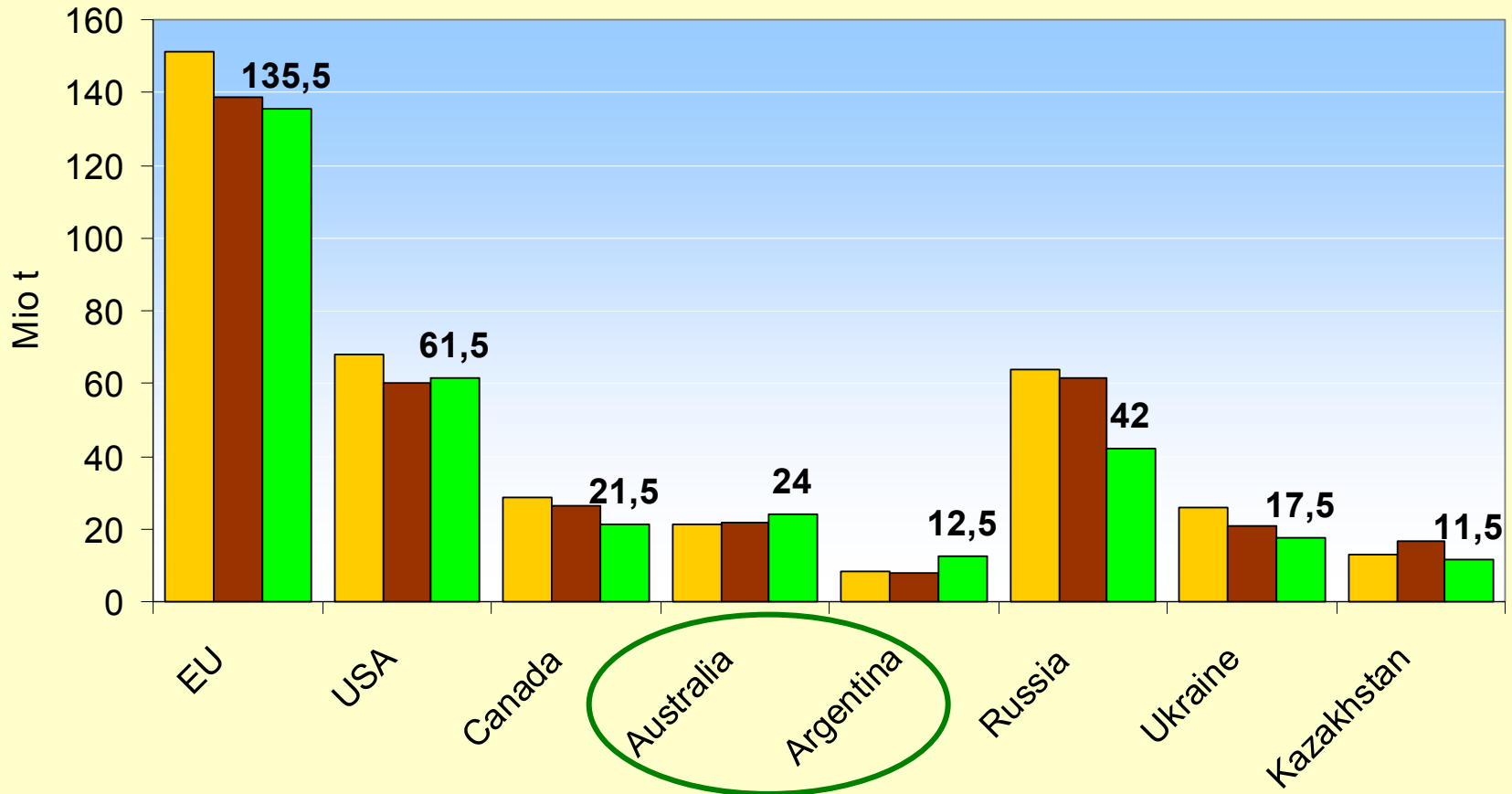


Wheat balance sheet (IGC)

Source: IGC Sept report



Wheat production in main exporters (IGC)



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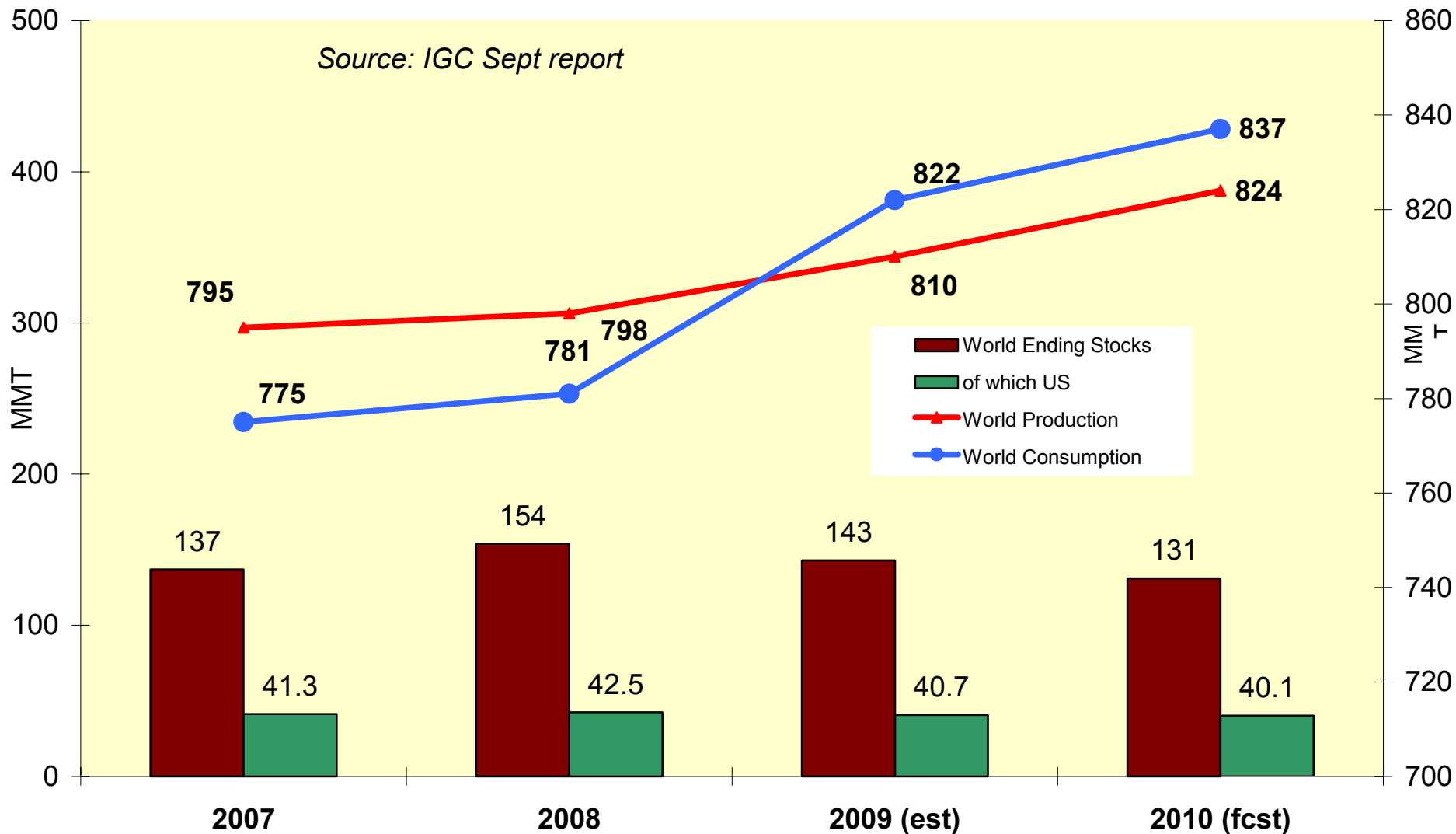
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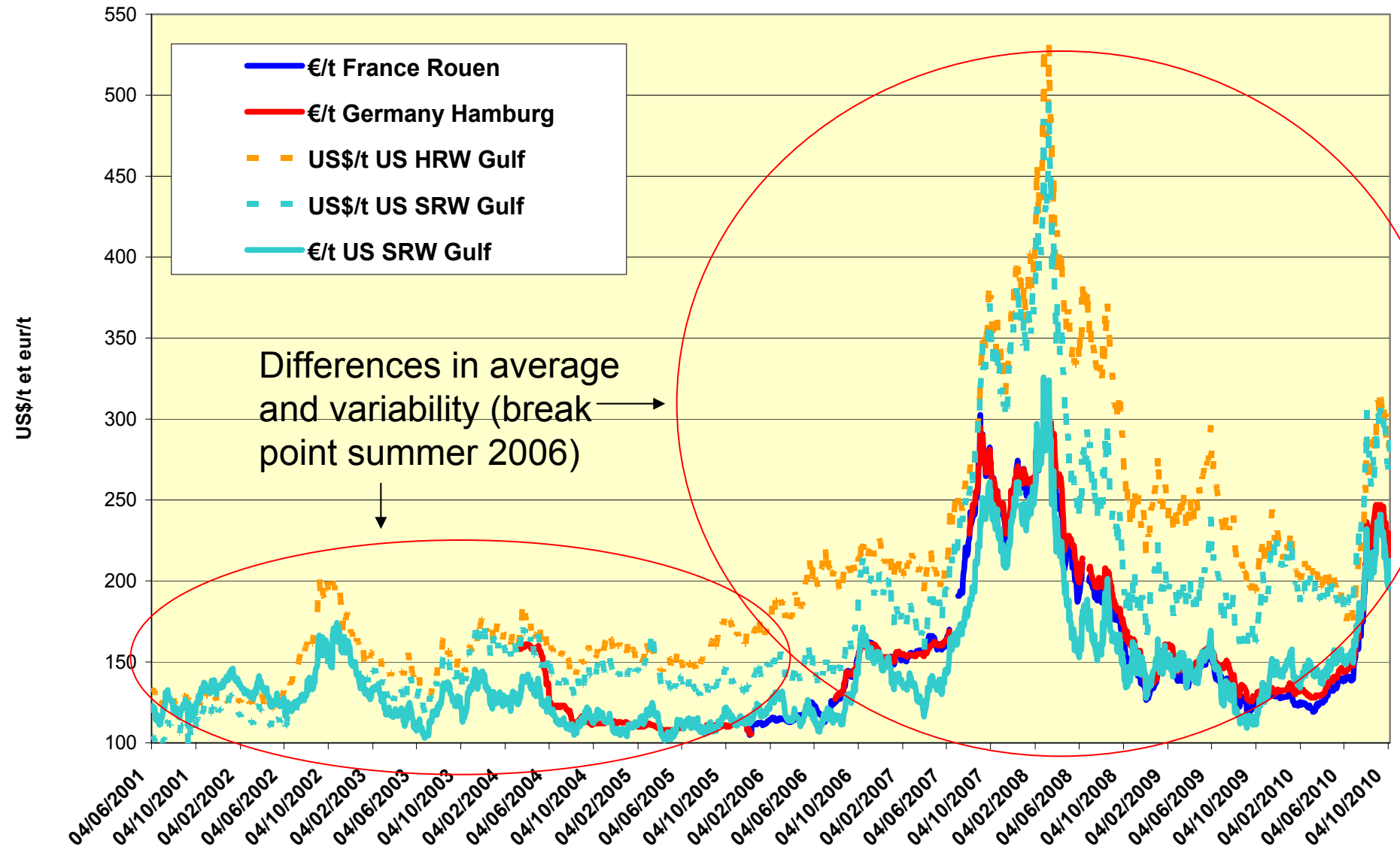
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Maize balance sheet (IGC)

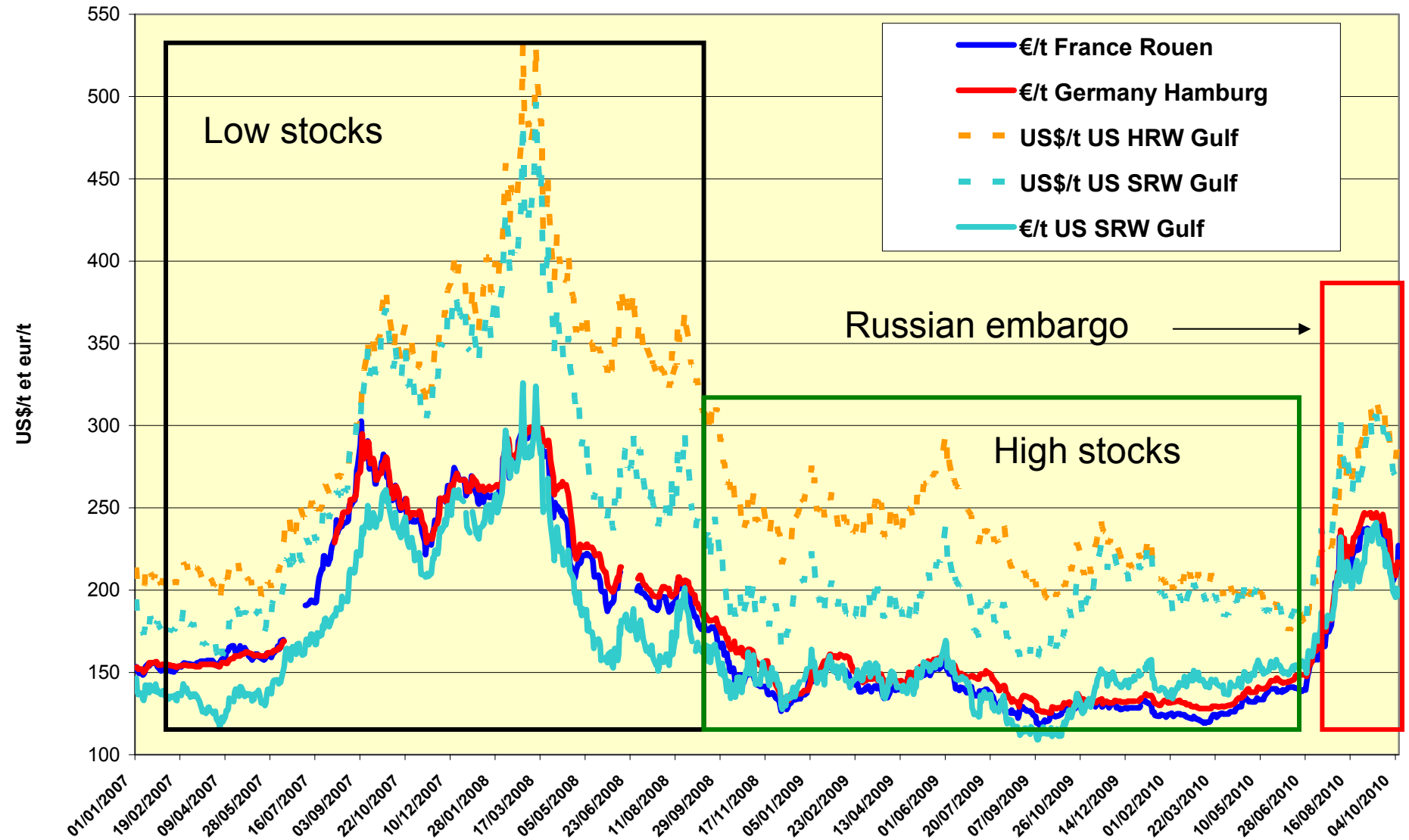
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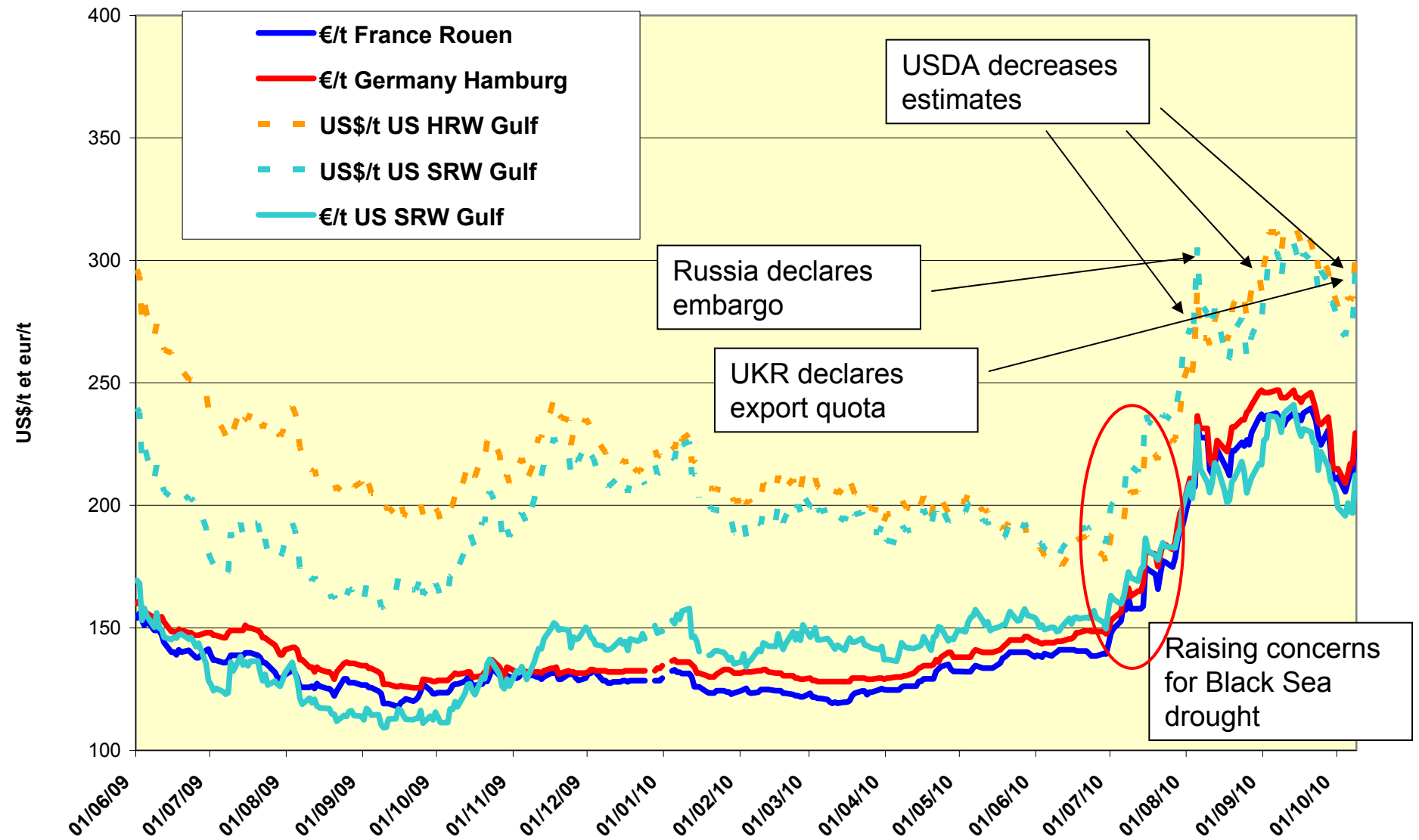
Wheat export prices since 1/6/2001



Wheat export prices since 1/1/2007



Wheat export prices since 1/6/2009



Russian figures ballet (tot grain mio t.)

	April		May		June	July				August			
Date	13	27	20	31	30	9	12	14	27	2	3	4	9
Official - Ag. Min.	97			88-90				<85	<80*		70-75		60
Grain Union		100+					85			72-78			
Analysts	88-95		84-89		82-86	77-81			70-75		65	63-67	

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On 7th July the Agr Min announced that Russia will have an exportable production of 20 mio t

On 14th July Agr Min announced less than 85 mio t

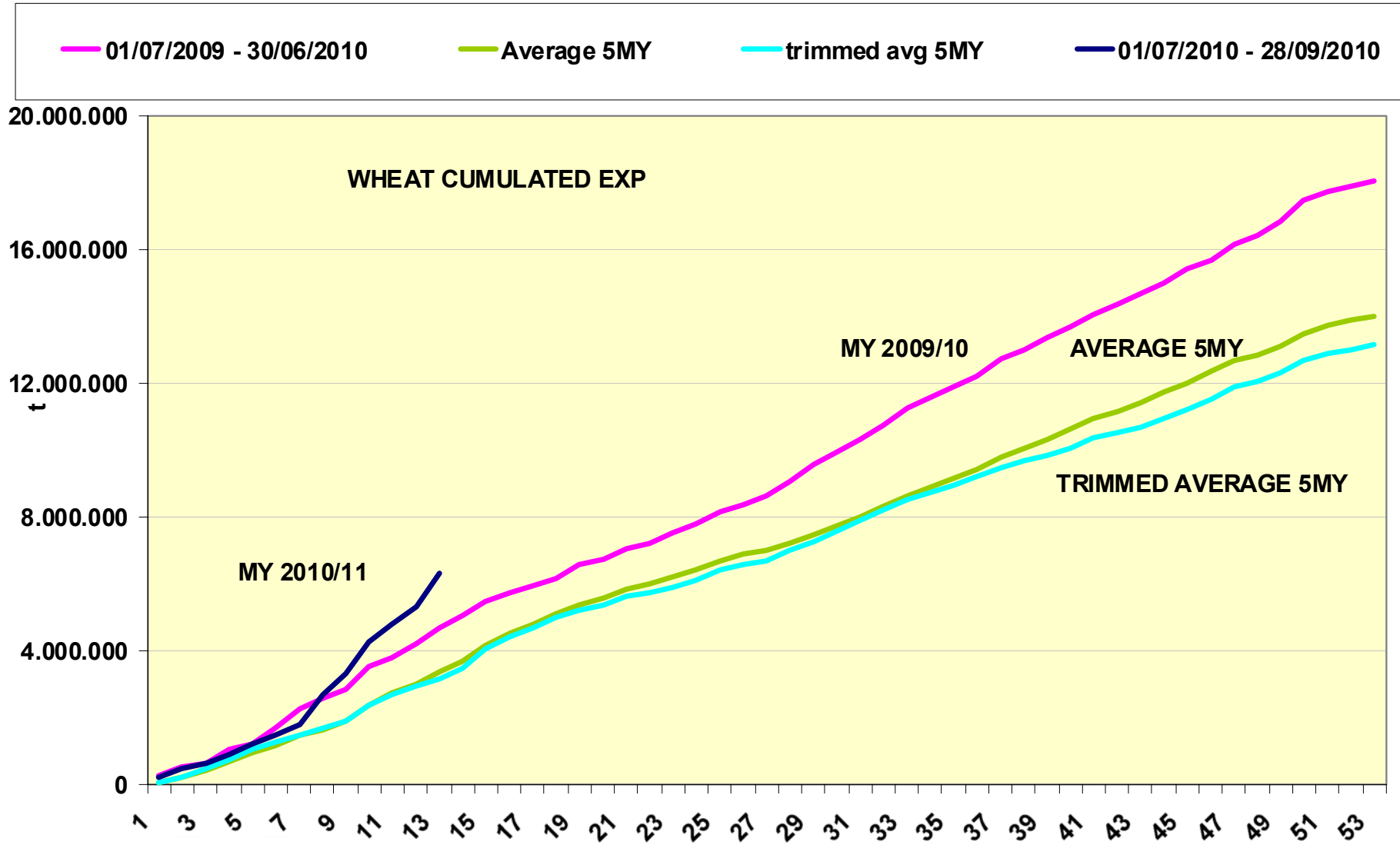
On 3 Aug 75 mio t

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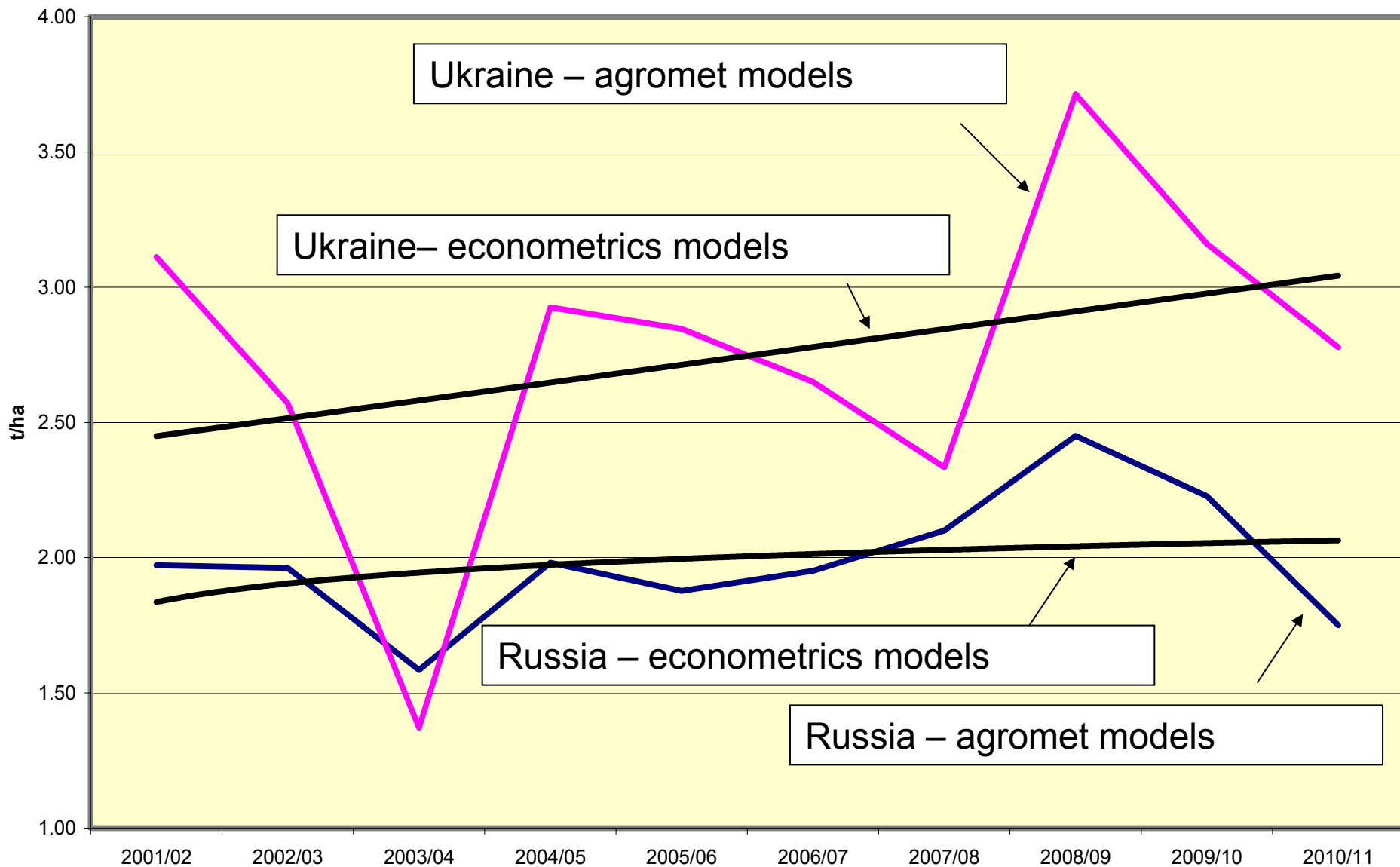


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EU Wheat cumulated export commitments



Russia and Ukraine wheat yields



Some conclusive remarks

**Demand and Production growing
in a context where**

- Rigid demand elasticity vs prices
- Commodities markets the more and more linked among them
- Restrictive export measures have a global effect
- Higher price volatility than in the past

**Crop yields variability is the main cause of short term change
in market equilibrium**

- Weather/climatic effects on crops are today causing this abrupt change in market balance and are triggering a dramatic price change together with other factors

**Estimating/predicting tools of these effects are necessary to
anticipate market imbalances and enhance governance of
‘price and food crisis’**



From official statement of The Extraordinary Joint Intersessional meeting of the Intergovernmental Group (IGG/FAO) on Grains stated (24 Sept – Rome):

“Unexpected price hikes and volatility are amongst major threats to food security and their roots causes need to be addressed, in particular regarding the lack of reliable and up-to-date information on crop supply and demand and export availability....”



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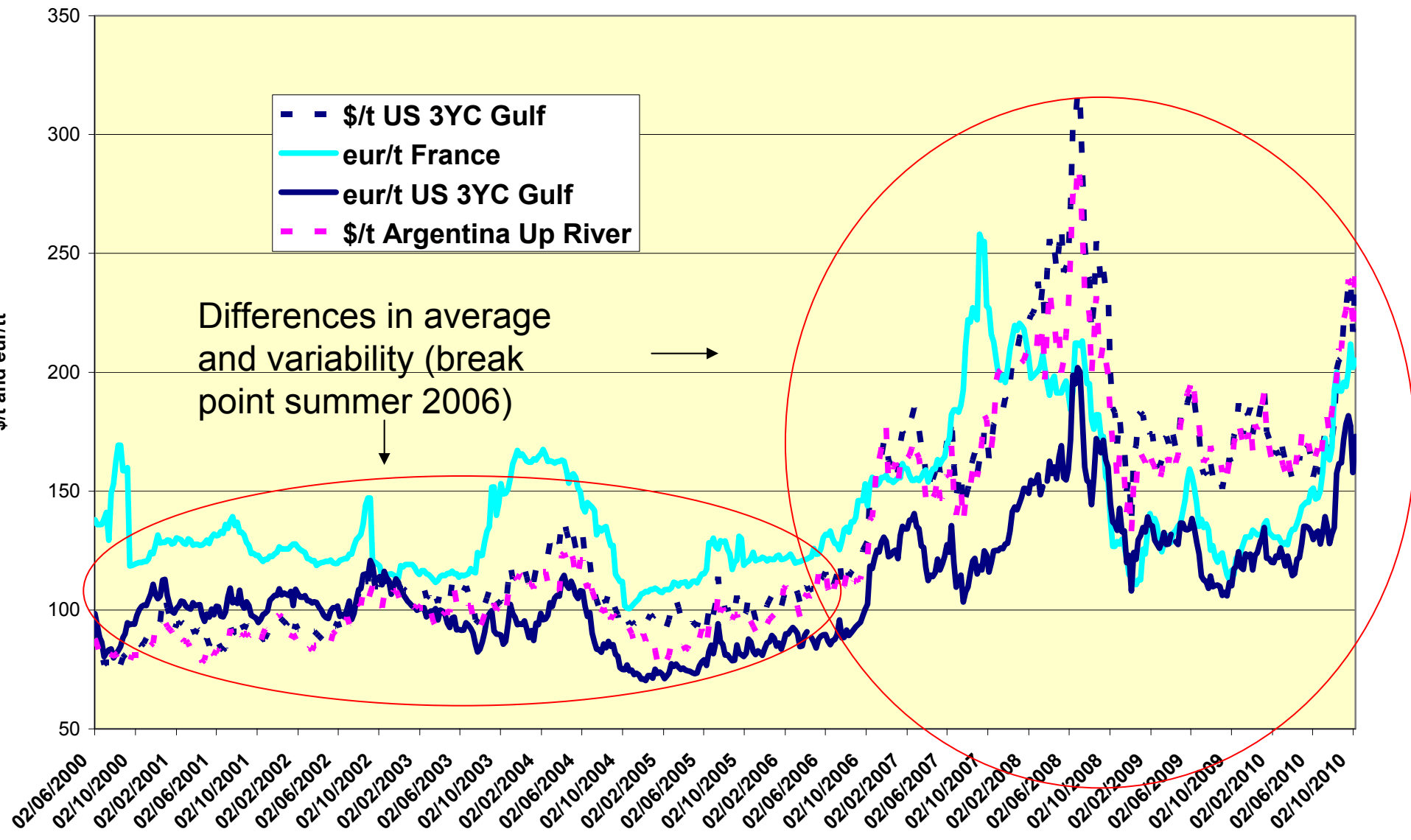


Thank you



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