

# Critical Trends in Agriculture

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# Some Critical trends for Agriculture

- Trends in world grain production and use
  - Changes in world grain area
  - Changes in world yields
  - Implied surplus or deficit
- Demand growth in China and India (& elsewhere)
  - Impact of shifting diets
  - Impact of U.S. ethanol industry
  - Where does that leave the world corn market
- The resurgence of the Former Soviet Union
  - Impact on world grain markets
  - Outlook for the future

# Some Trends for U.S. Agriculture

- Slower growth in demand
  - The end of the ethanol BOOM
  - Impact of seed technology

# Changes in Crop Area (00-11)

million hectares

	Corn	Soybeans	Wheat	Cotton	Rape	Rice
Former USSR	2.1	1.7	8.9	-0.1	1.8	0.1
Brazil	0.8	10.3	0.7	0.4	NA	-0.3
Sub-Saharan Africa	6.5	0.4	-1.0	-0.4	0.0	1.9
Argentina	0.4	7.9	-2.1	0.2	NA	0.1
China	9.4	-0.8	-2.3	1.4	-0.4	-0.1
India	2.0	1.7	0.9	3.9	2.0	-0.4
United States	3.6	1.7	-2.2	-1.3	-0.2	0.2
Total	31.1	29.3	4.6	3.8	8.6	7.8
In acres	76.8	72.4	11.4	9.4	21.3	19.3



Total increase - more than 210 million acres

# Major Crop Area Expansion

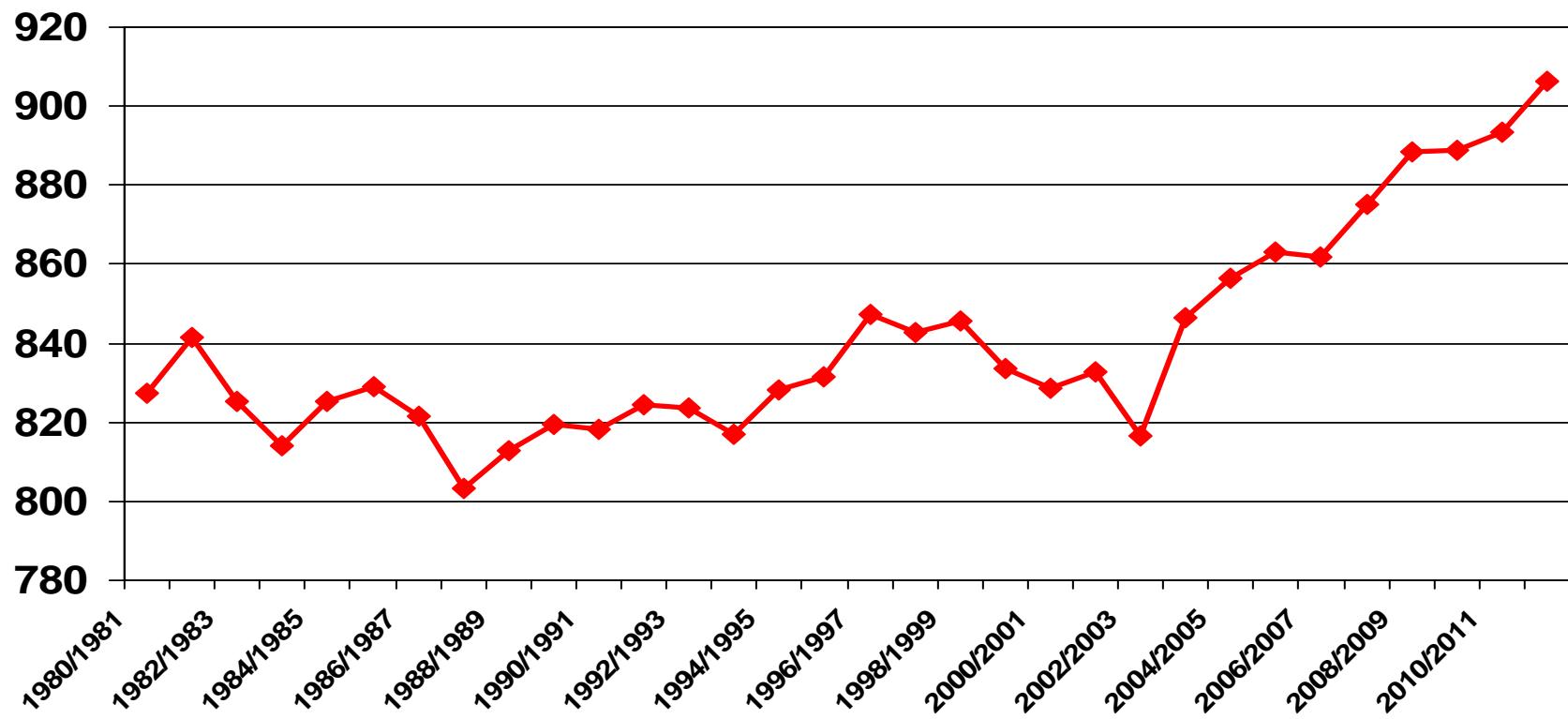
million hectares

	Area 1990	Area 2000	Area 2011	Chg 90-00	Chg 00-11
Sub-Saharan Africa	37.5	48.9	66.6	11.4	17.7
Brazil	35.8	36.5	52.5	0.7	16.0
Former USSR	55.1	49.2	62.2	-5.9	13.0
India	82.1	93.4	105.6	11.3	12.2
United States	93.6	100.5	112.7	7.0	12.1
China	98.8	93.5	103.4	-5.3	9.8
Argentina	18.7	27.8	35.5	9.1	7.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>613.7</b>	<b>639.9</b>	<b>725.2</b>	<b>26.2</b>	<b>85.3</b>

For Corn, Wheat, Soybeans, Rape, Rice and Cotton

# World Major Crop Area

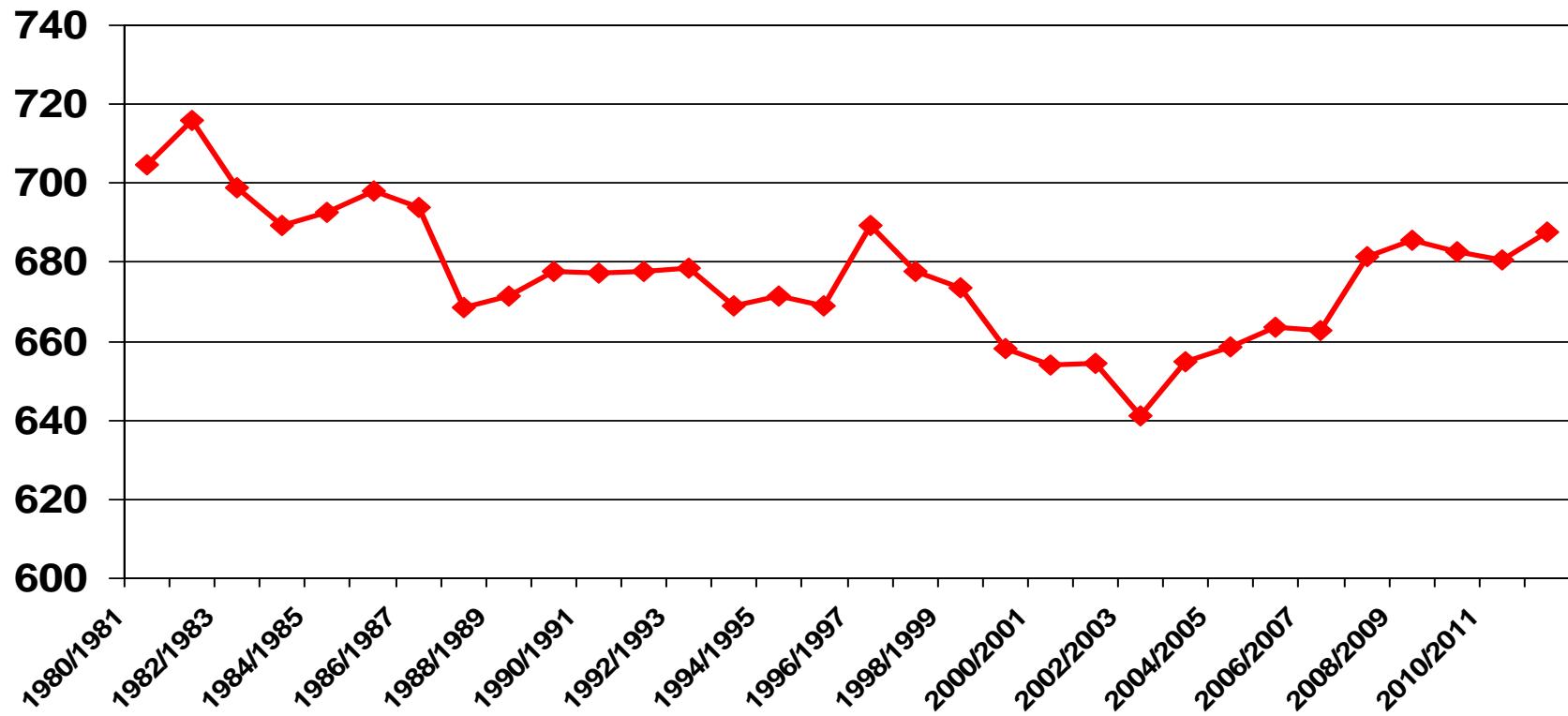
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About a 10% increase since 2000 - 75 million hectares

# World Grains Area

million hectares



# Changes in Grain Area

million hectares

	Area 1990	Area 2000	Area 2011	Chg 90-00	Chg 00-11
Corn	129.2	137.3	164.4	8.1	31.1
Rice	147.0	152.4	160.3	5.5	7.8
Wheat	231.7	218.0	222.6	-13.7	4.6
Barley	73.0	53.9	50.6	-19.1	-3.2
Others	96.6	92.2	85.7	-4.4	-6.7
Total	677.5	653.8	687.7	-23.6	33.8

# Changes in Corn Area

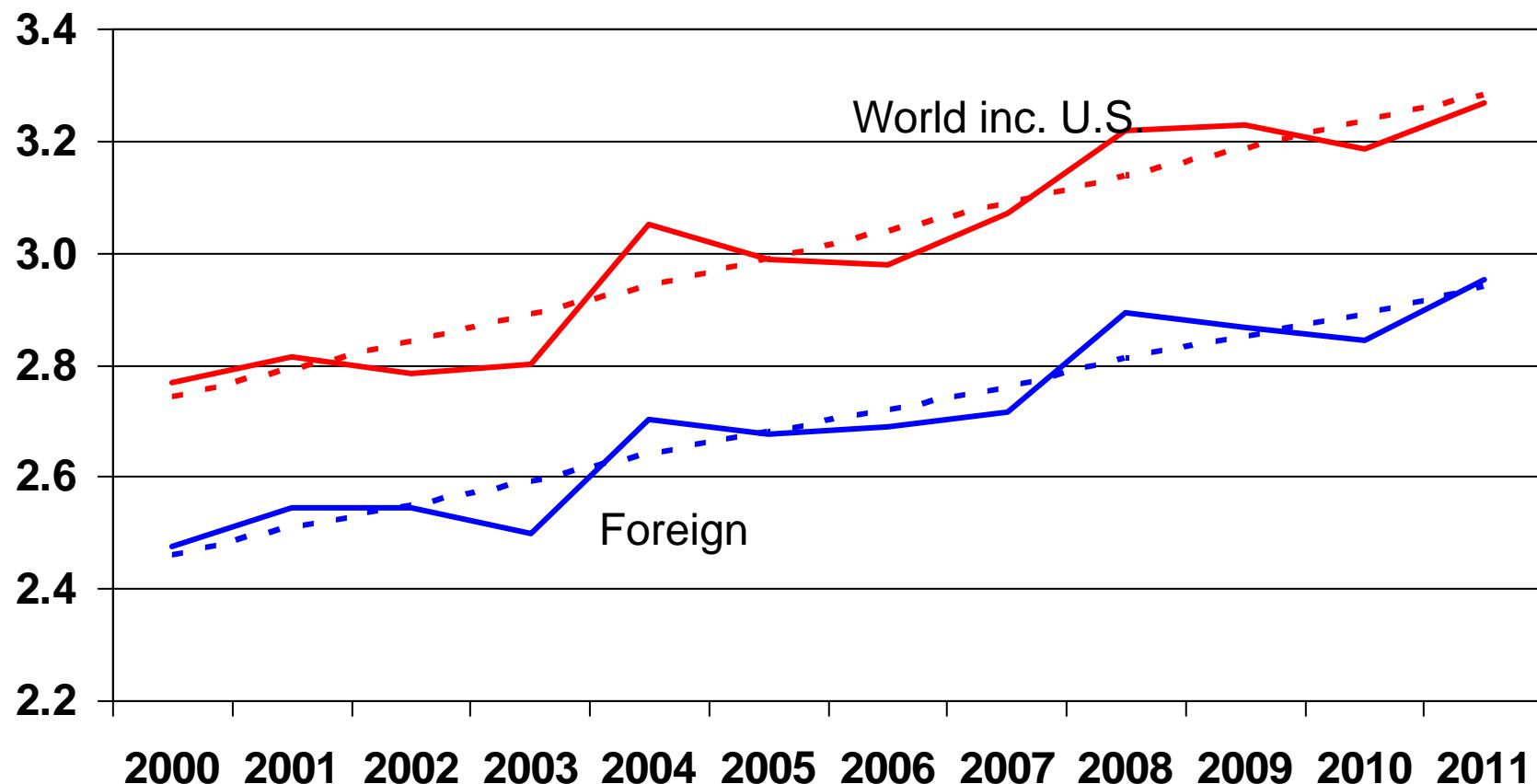
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China	21.4	23.1	33.0	1.7	9.9
United States	27.1	29.3	34.2	2.2	4.8
Ukraine	1.2	1.3	3.5	0.1	2.2
India	5.9	6.6	8.5	0.7	1.9
Nigeria	3.0	3.2	4.9	0.2	1.7
Brazil	13.5	13.0	14.5	-0.5	1.5
Tanzania	1.6	2.0	3.1	0.4	1.1
total	129.2	137.3	168.4	8.1	31.1

Almost 40% of the increase is in India and China

# Grain Yields

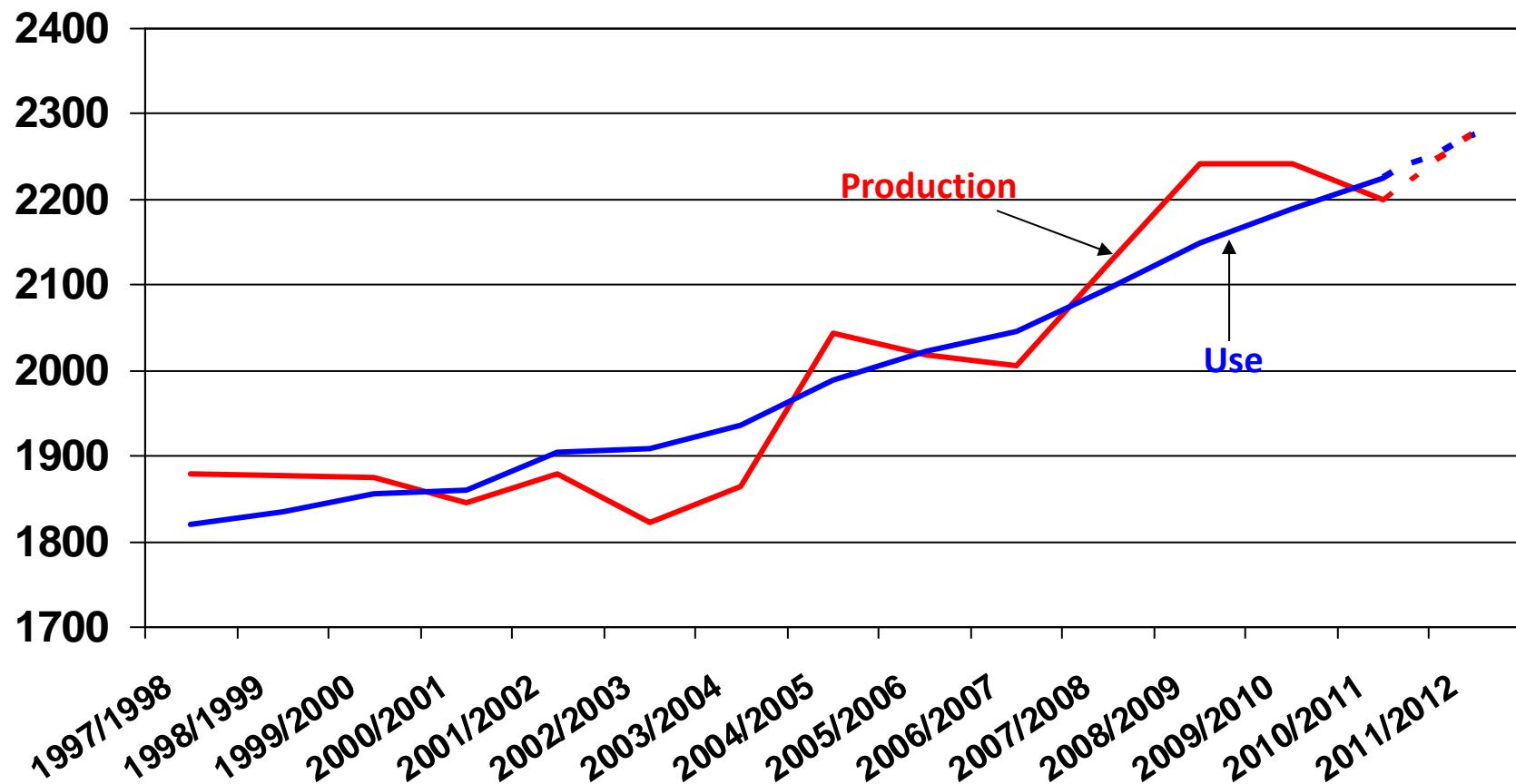
tonnes per hectare



In 2010 Yields were down ~1.5% from trend

# World Grain Production and Use

million tonnes



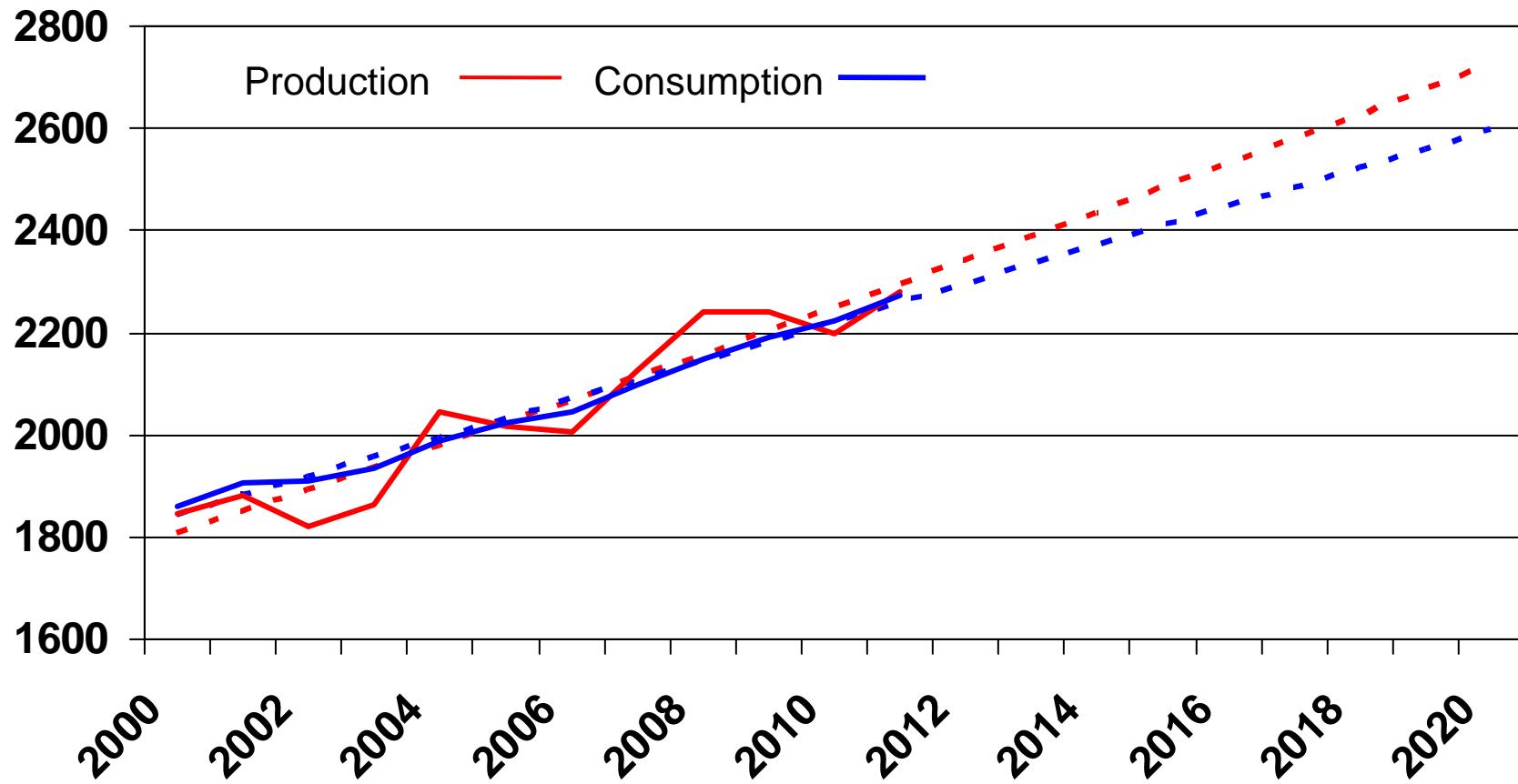
For 2000 through 2006 – deficit of 190 million tonnes

For 2007 through 2009 – surplus of 171 million tonnes

Deficit for 2010-11 - deficit of 24 million tonnes

# World Grain Production & Use

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**But there is Strong Demand Growth for Some  
Ag Products**

# Consumption Increases

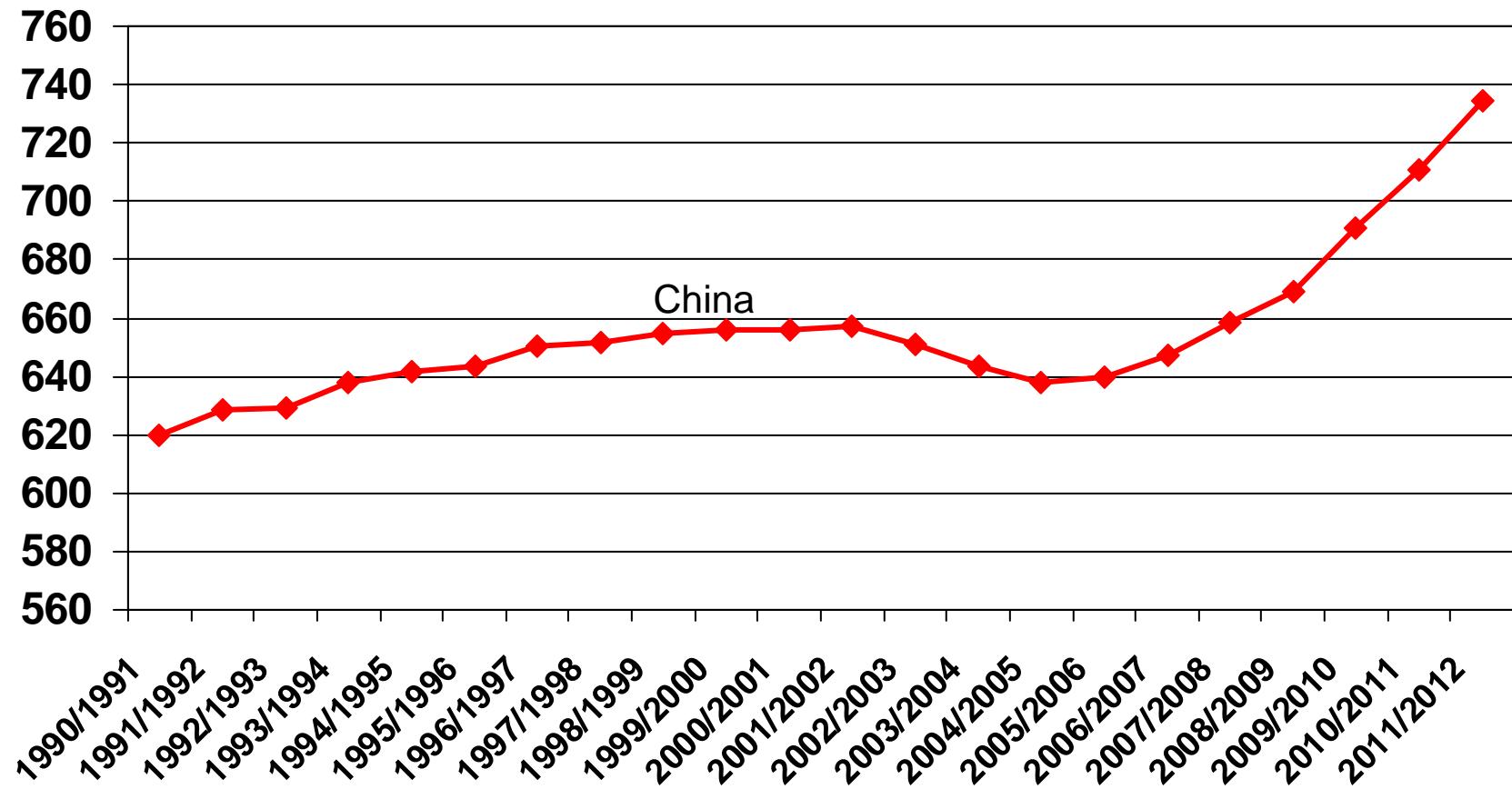
percent change 2000 to 2011

	U.S.	Foreign
Corn	42	42
Soybeans	-3	75
Wheat	-11	17
Rice	10	16
Broilers	21	55
Cotton	-55	34
Pork	-1	22

## **Demand Growth in China, India and Elsewhere**

# Per Capita Grain Consumption

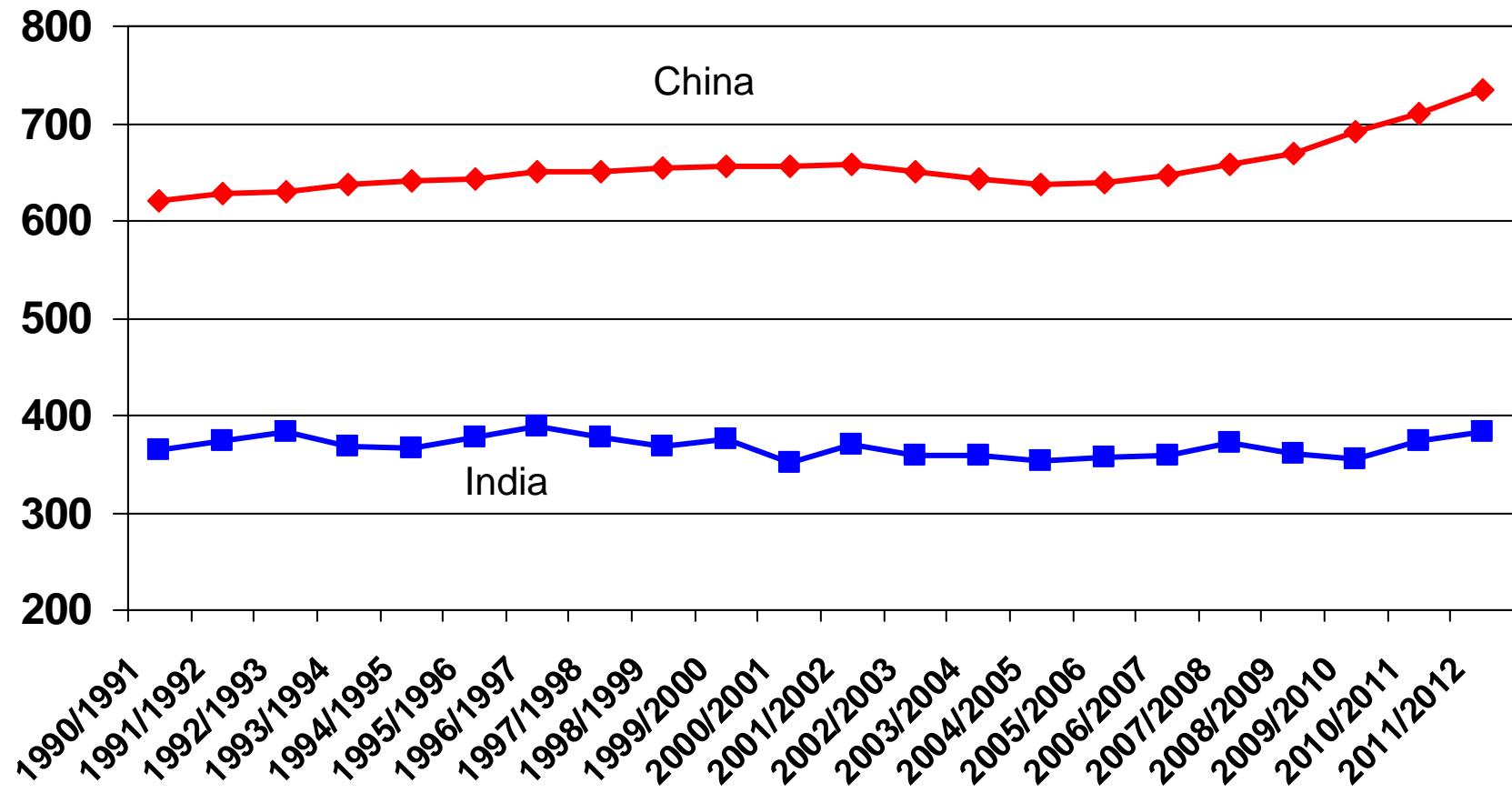
pounds



This looks impressive – but the increase is only 12% since 2000  
But 80 pounds per person for > 1.3 billion people is a lot of grain! (48 mmt)

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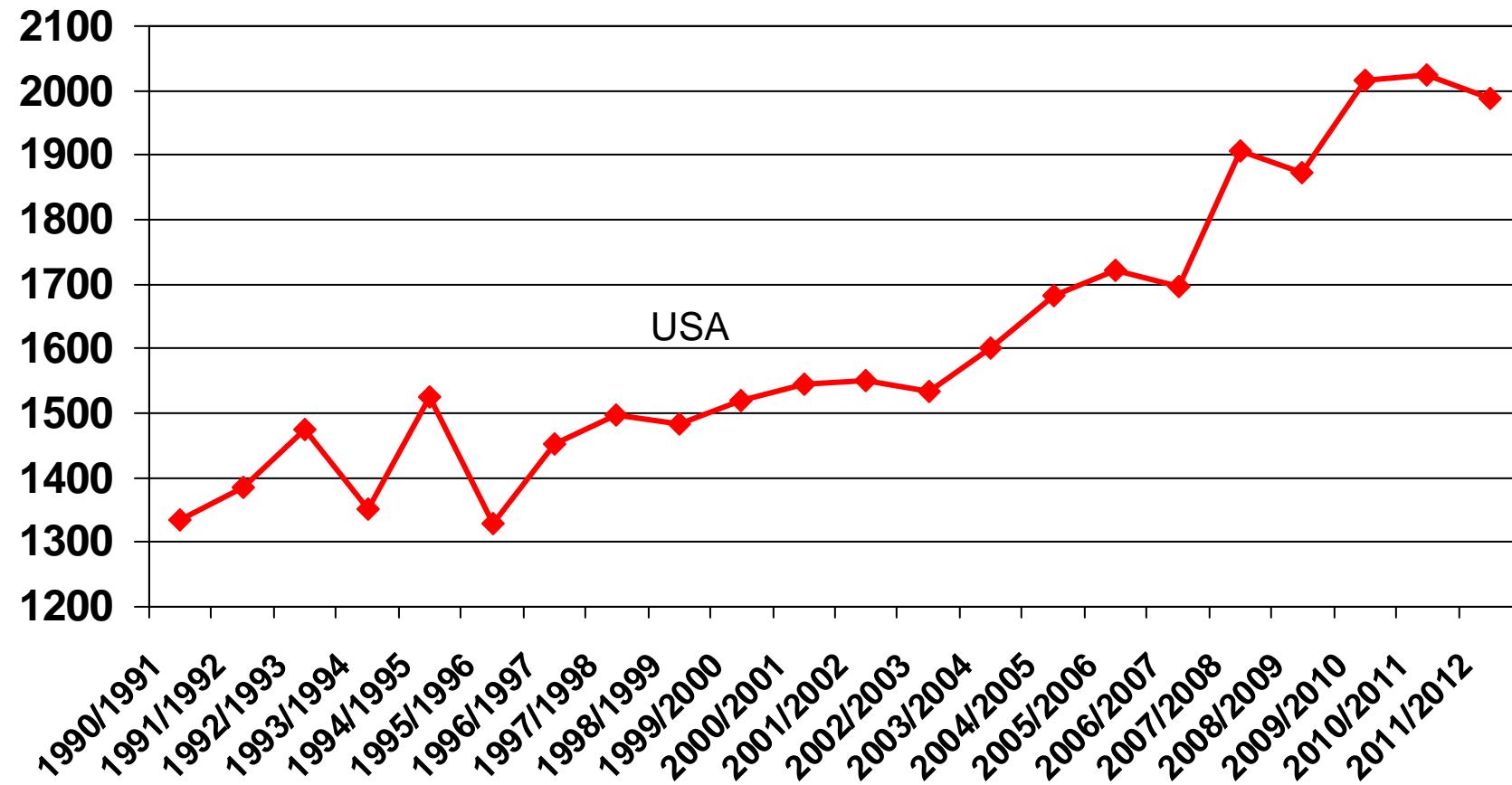
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There are few signs of real demand growth for India

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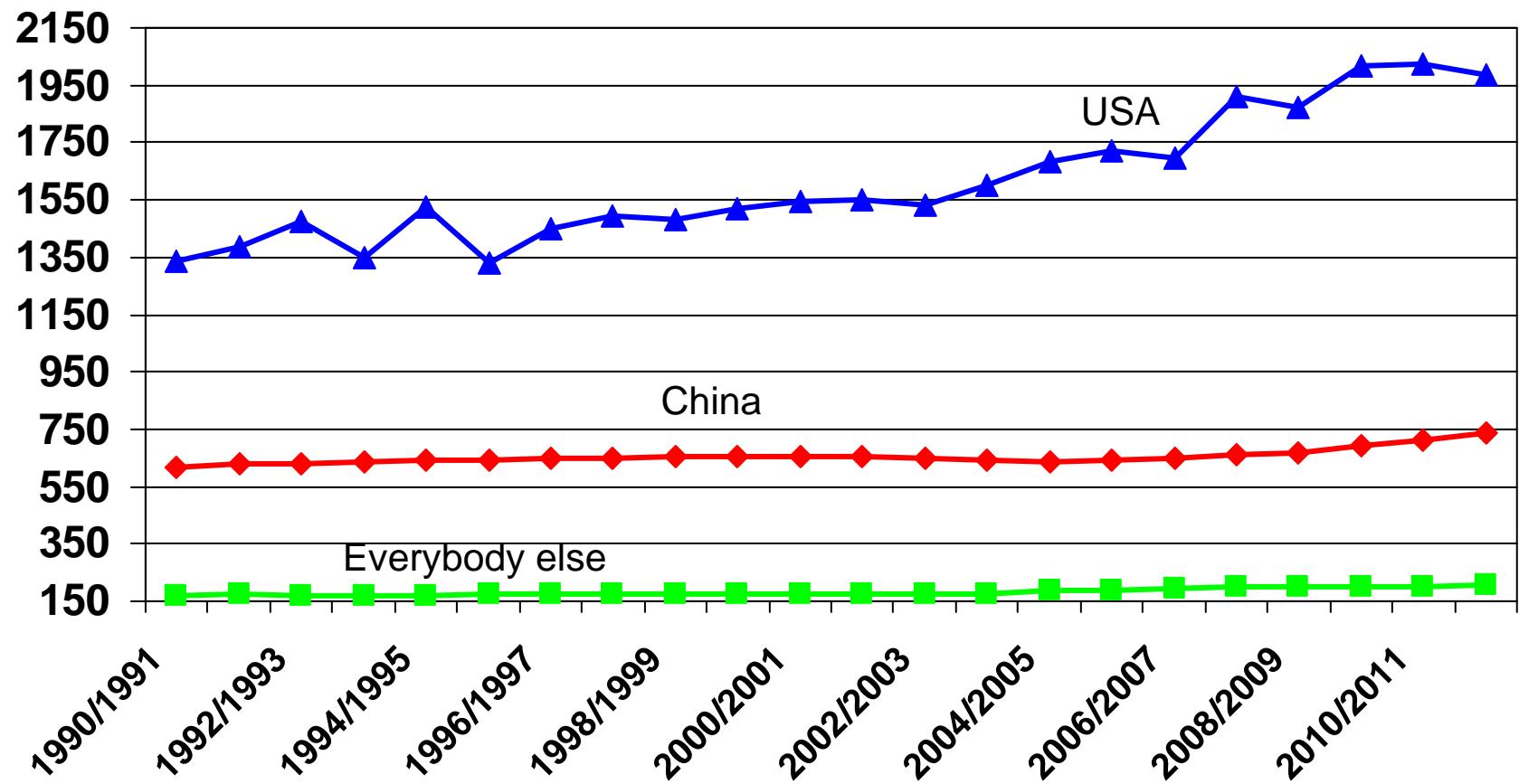
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The gain here totals 65 mmt!

# Per Capita Grain Consumption

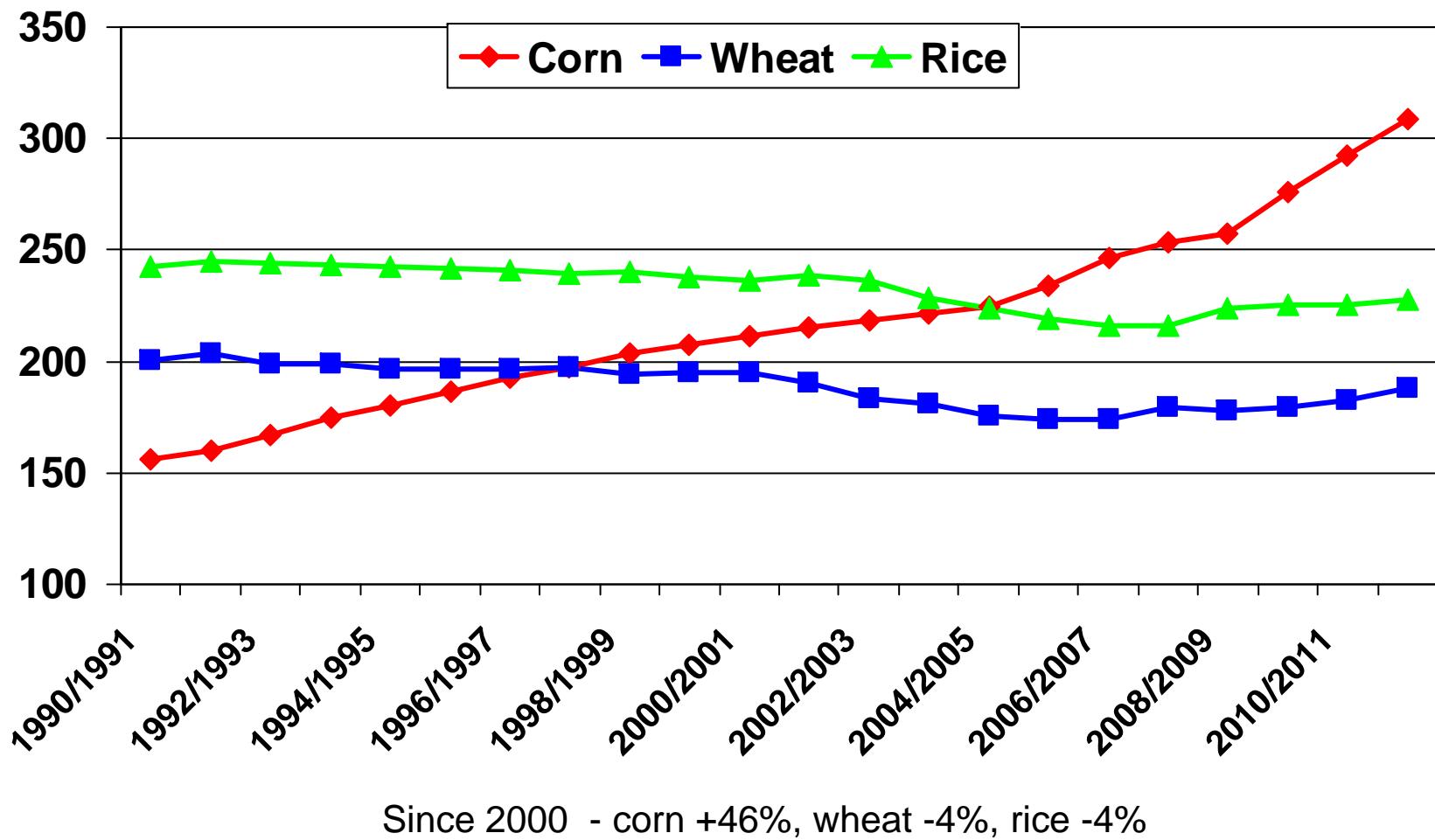
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But the changes to everybody else (times 4 billion people) is 50 mmt

# China's Per Capita Grain Consumption

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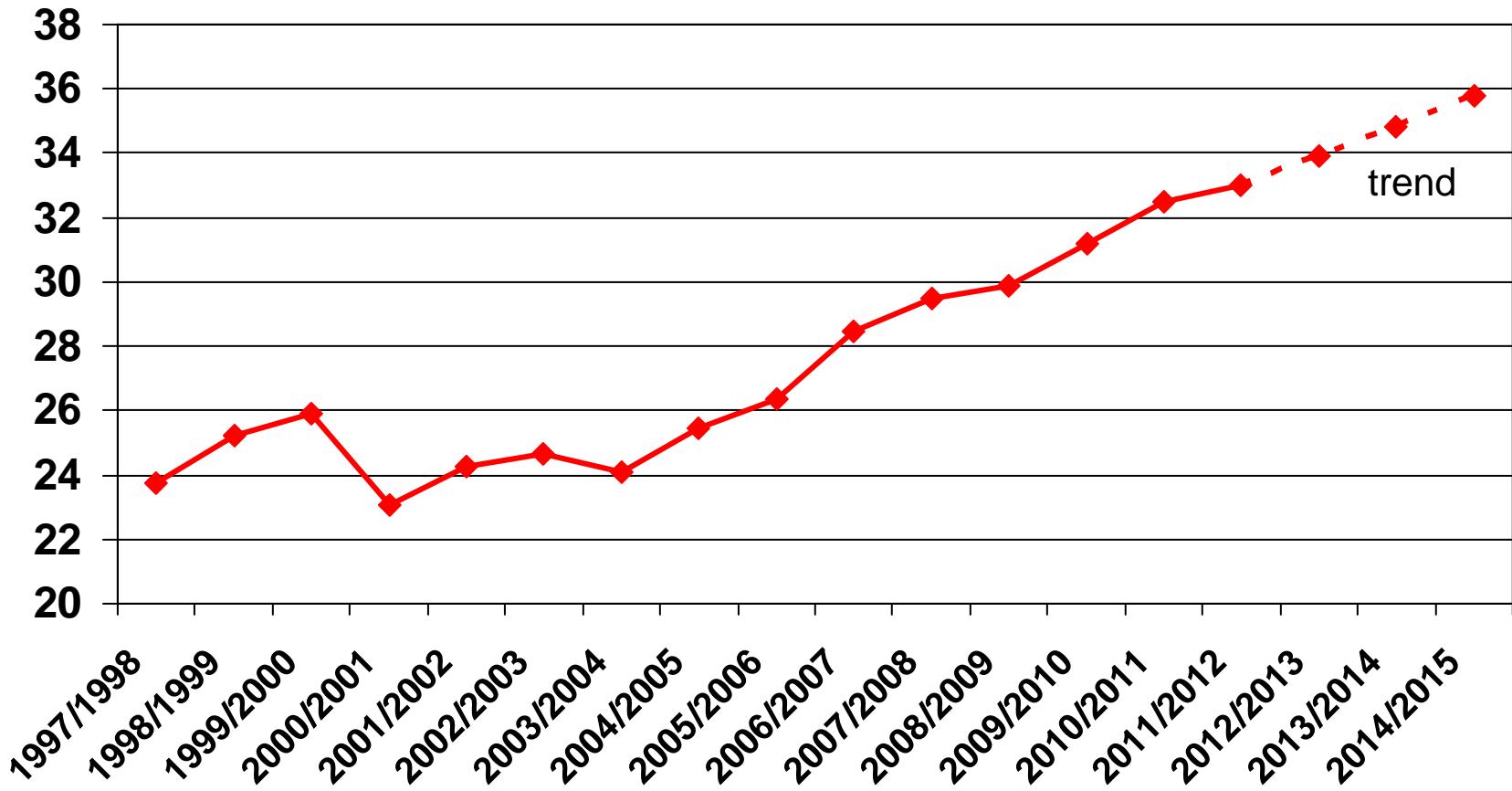


# China's Corn Sector Outlook

- Demand growth is strong
  - Rising at 3.4% per year (trend since 2000)
  - Rising at 4.6% per year (trend since 2005)
- Solid yield gains
  - Rising at a 1.5% annual rate
- But the key to the outlook is area
  - up 47% since 2000

# China's Corn Acreage

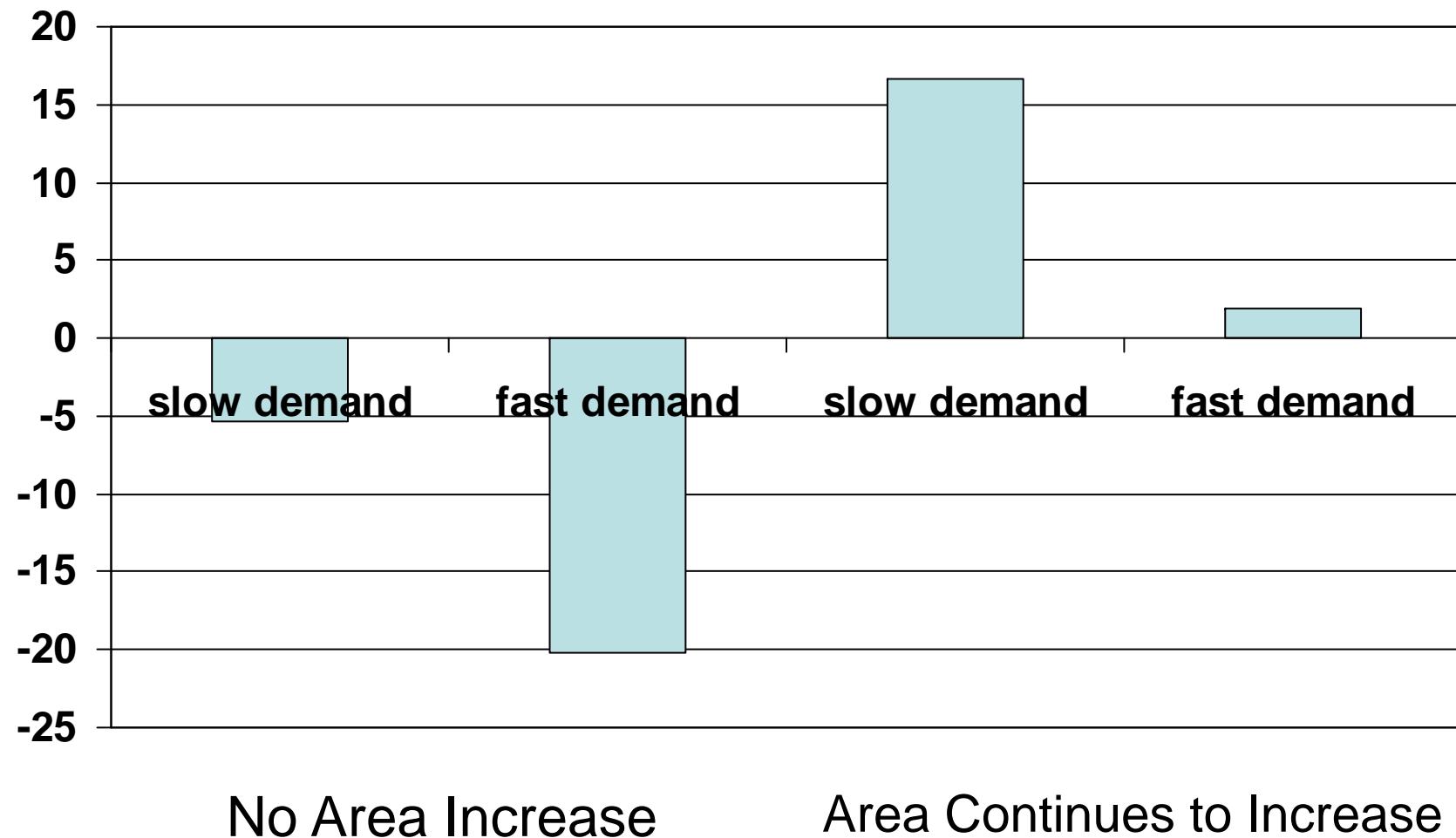
million hectares



Area is rising at a rate of about 3% per year ~ 1 million hectares

# China's Corn Surplus or Deficit in 2015

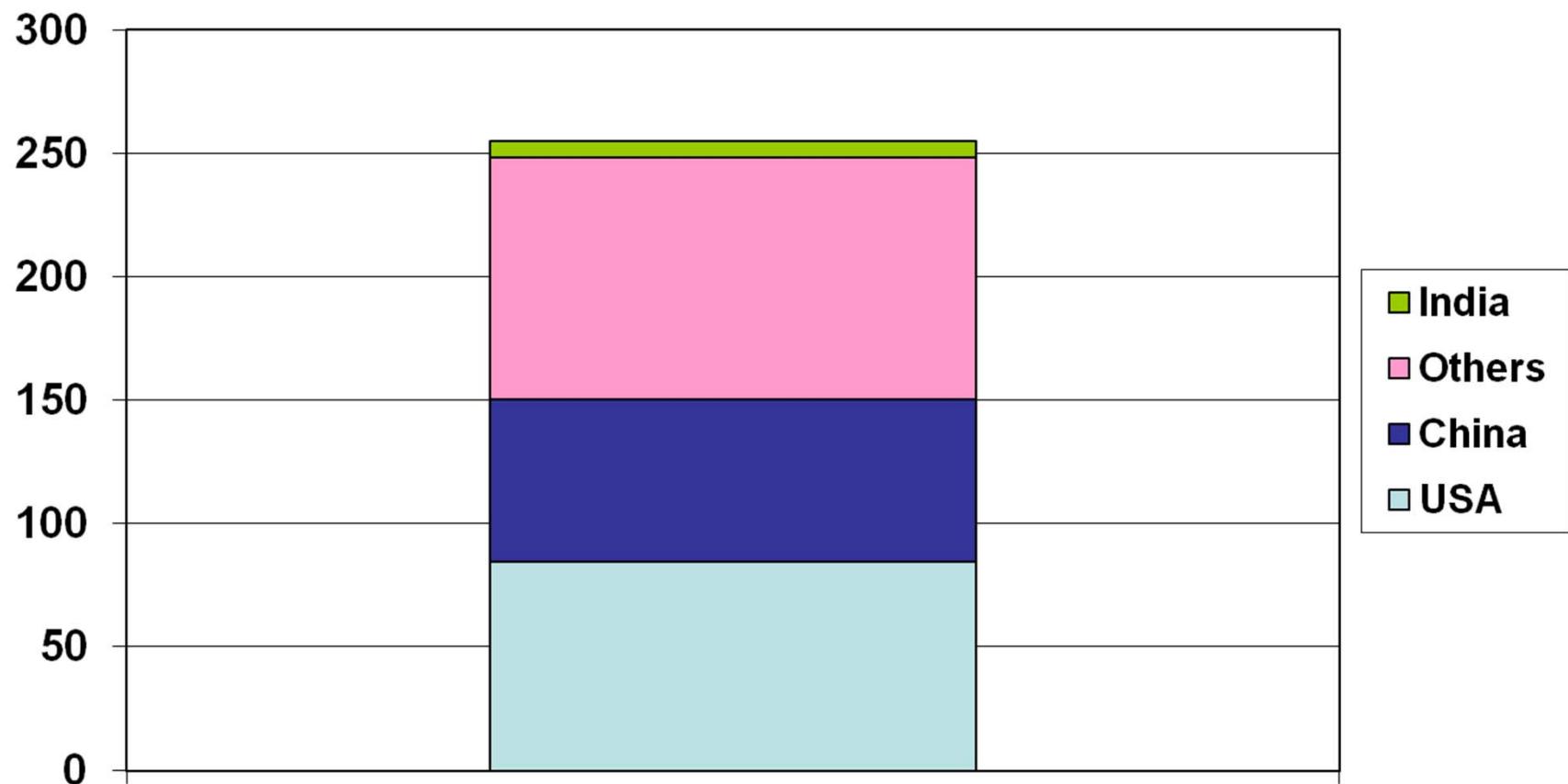
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## Additional Corn Demand (million tonnes)

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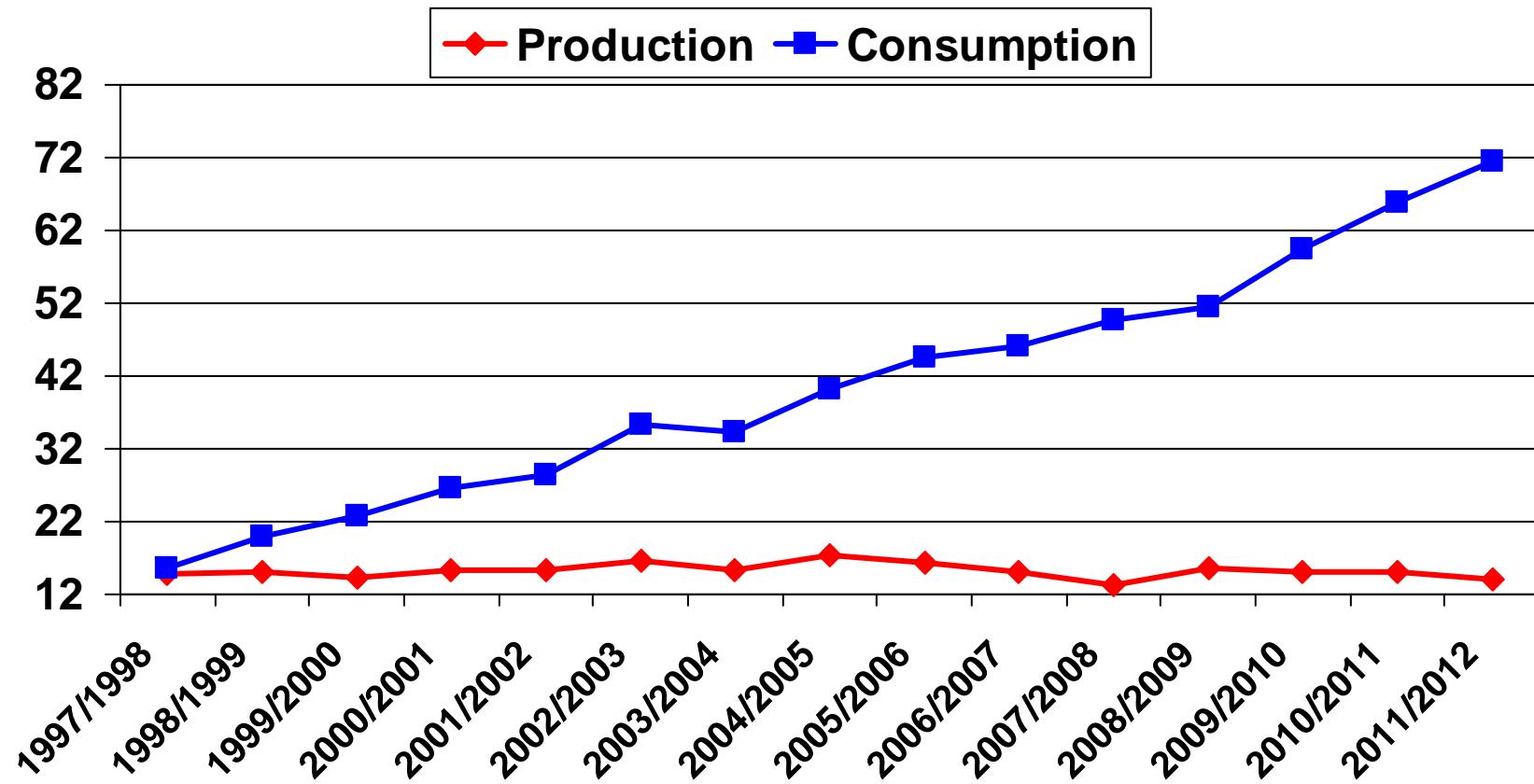
World Corn Demand rose 255 mmt since 2000



While we are on the Subject of China

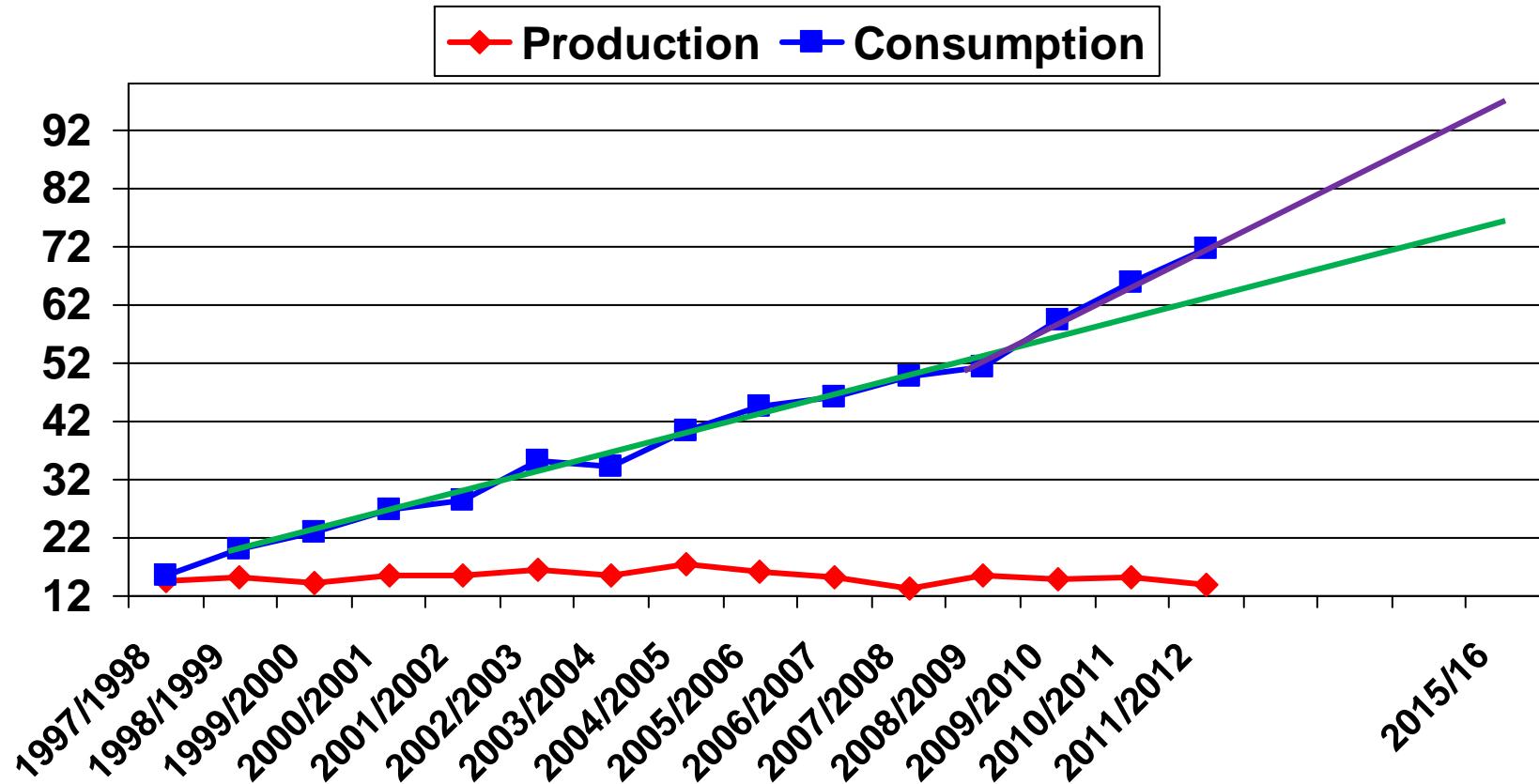
# China's Soybean Balance

million tonnes



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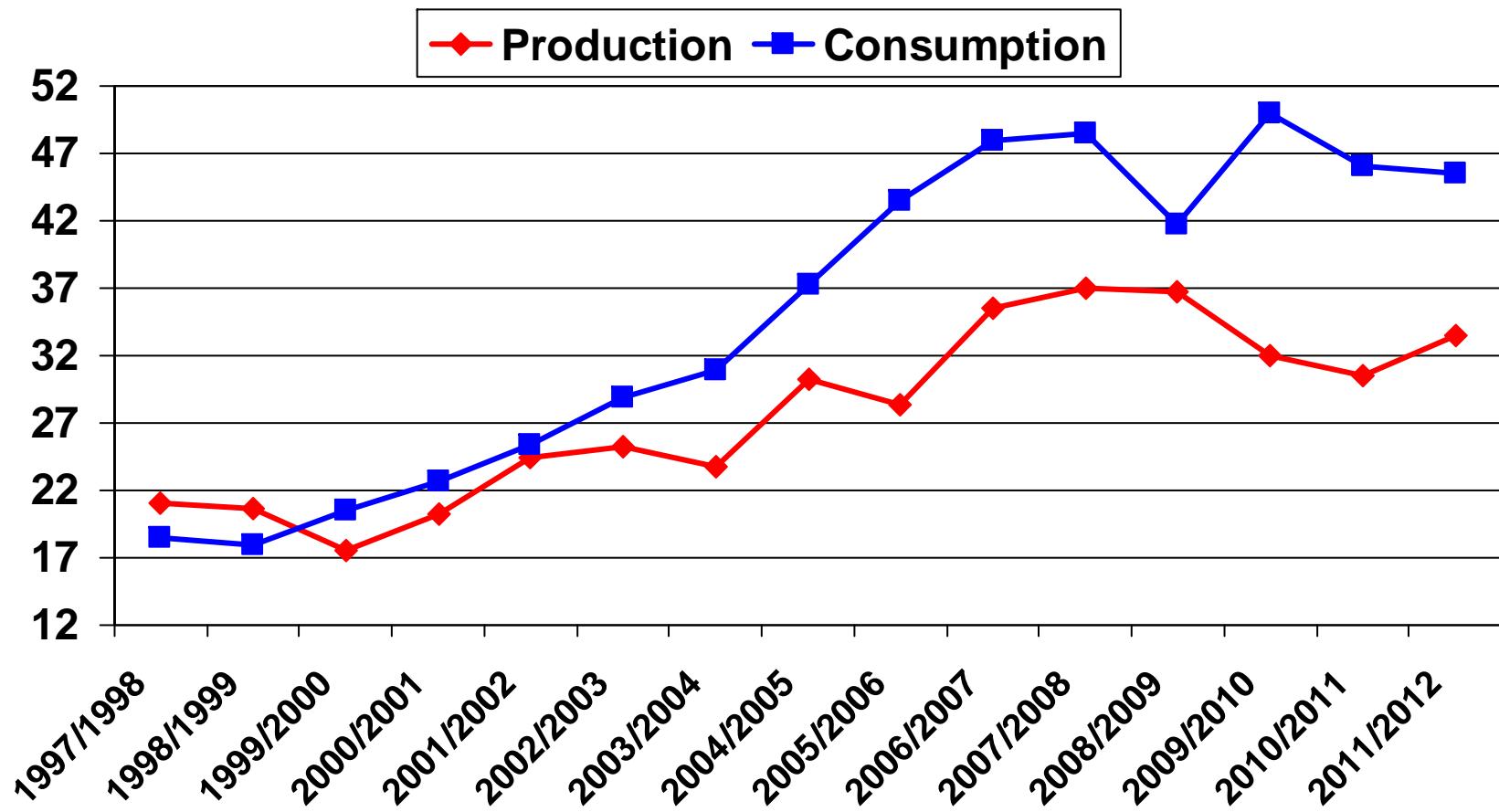
million tonnes



Deficit in 2015/16 is either 62 mmt – or 85 mmt  
This year's deficit is about 58 mmt

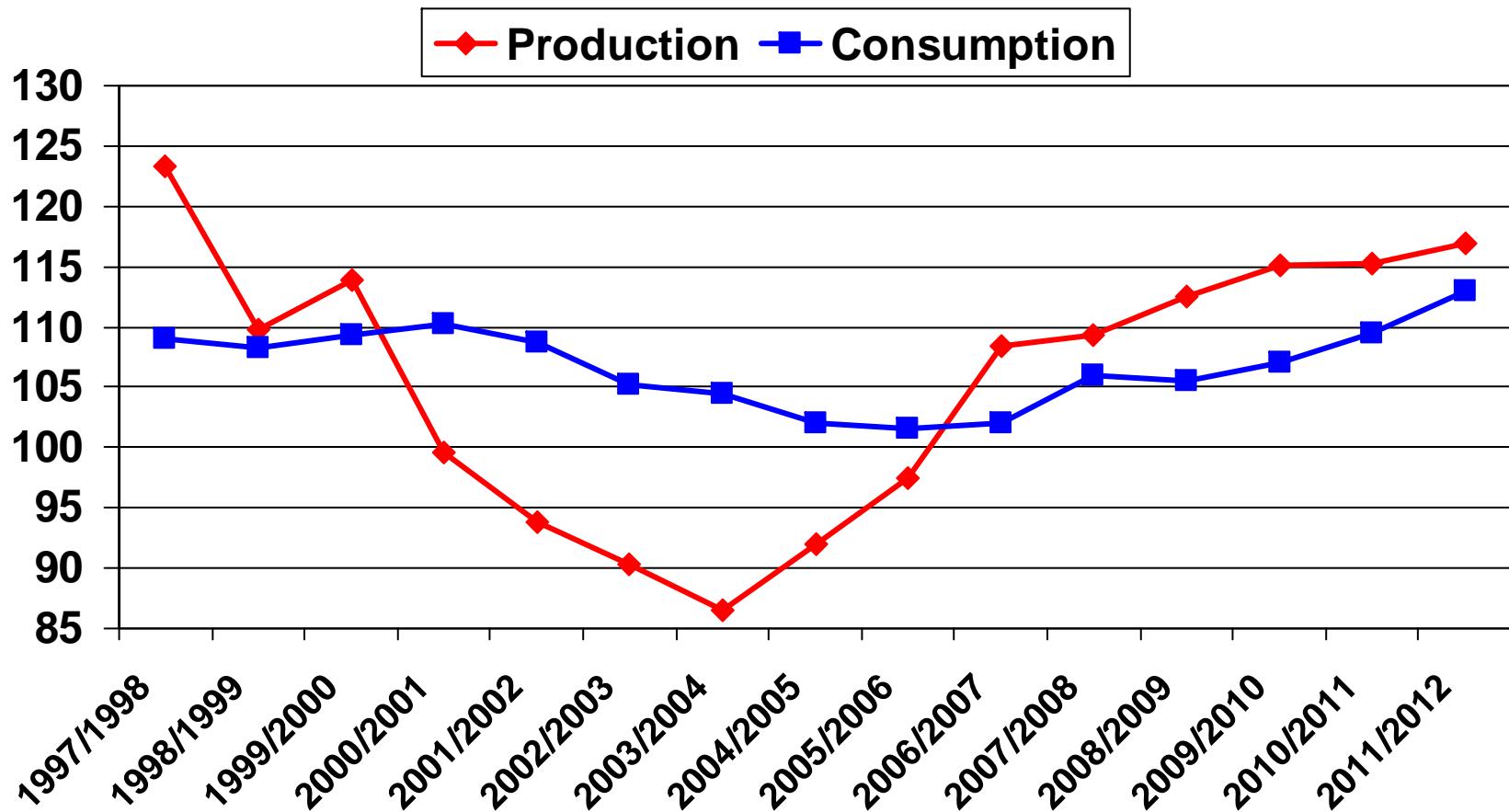
# China's Cotton Balance

million bales



# China's Wheat Balance

million tonnes

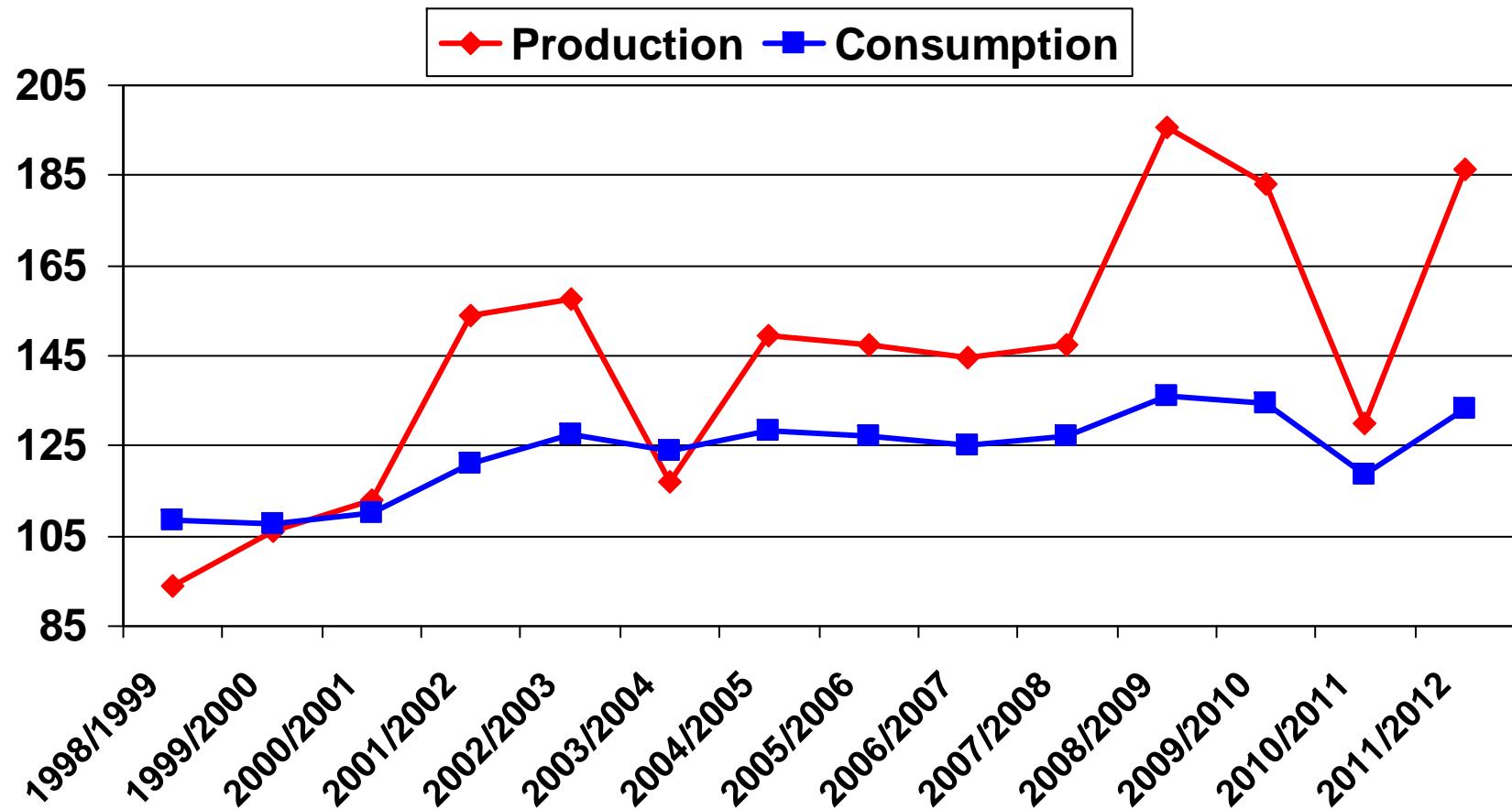


China has also been running a surplus of about 2 million tonnes of rice per year

# The Resurgence of the FSU

# FSU's Grain Balance

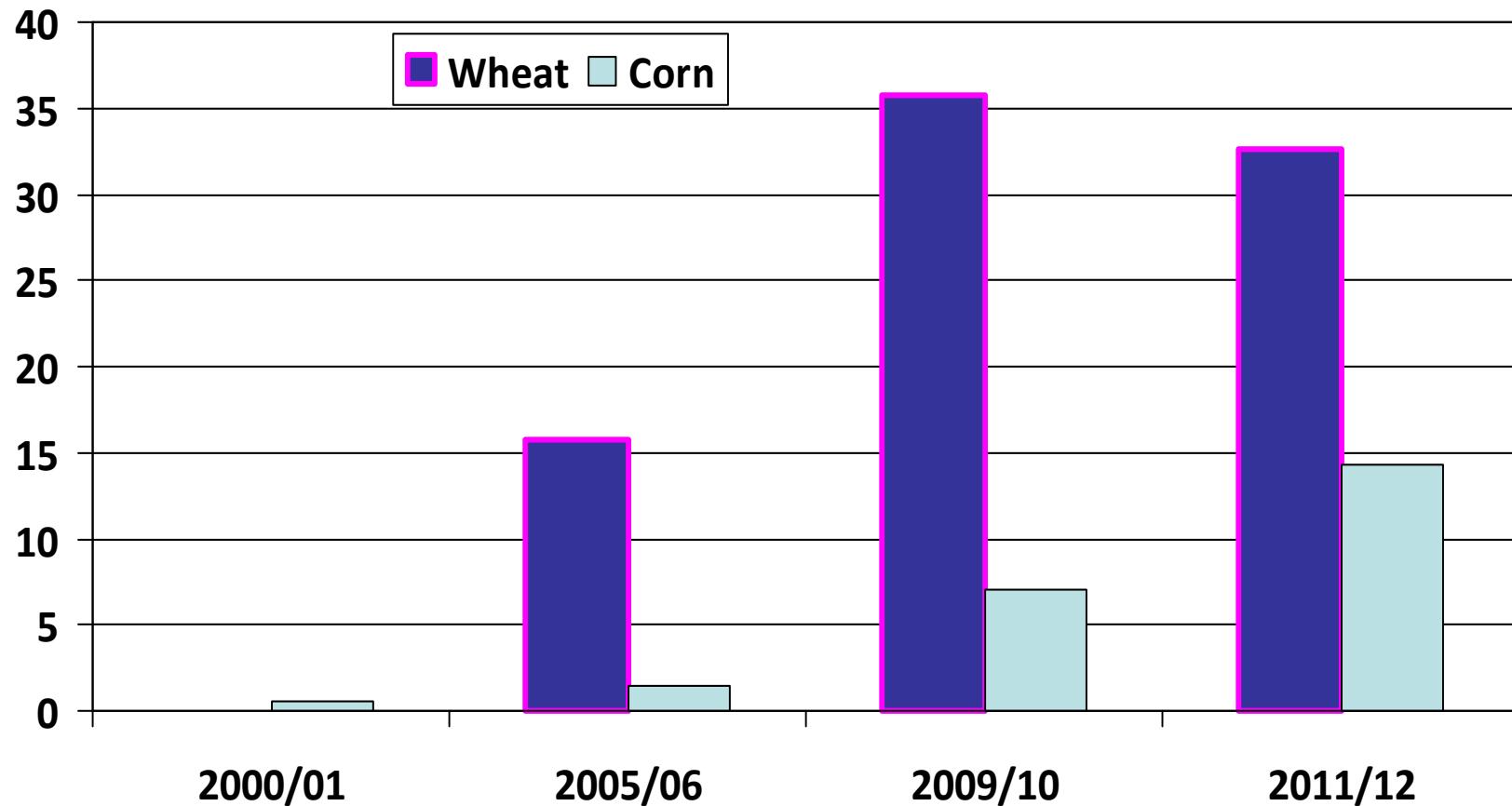
million tonnes



The surplus in recent years is about 50 million tonnes!

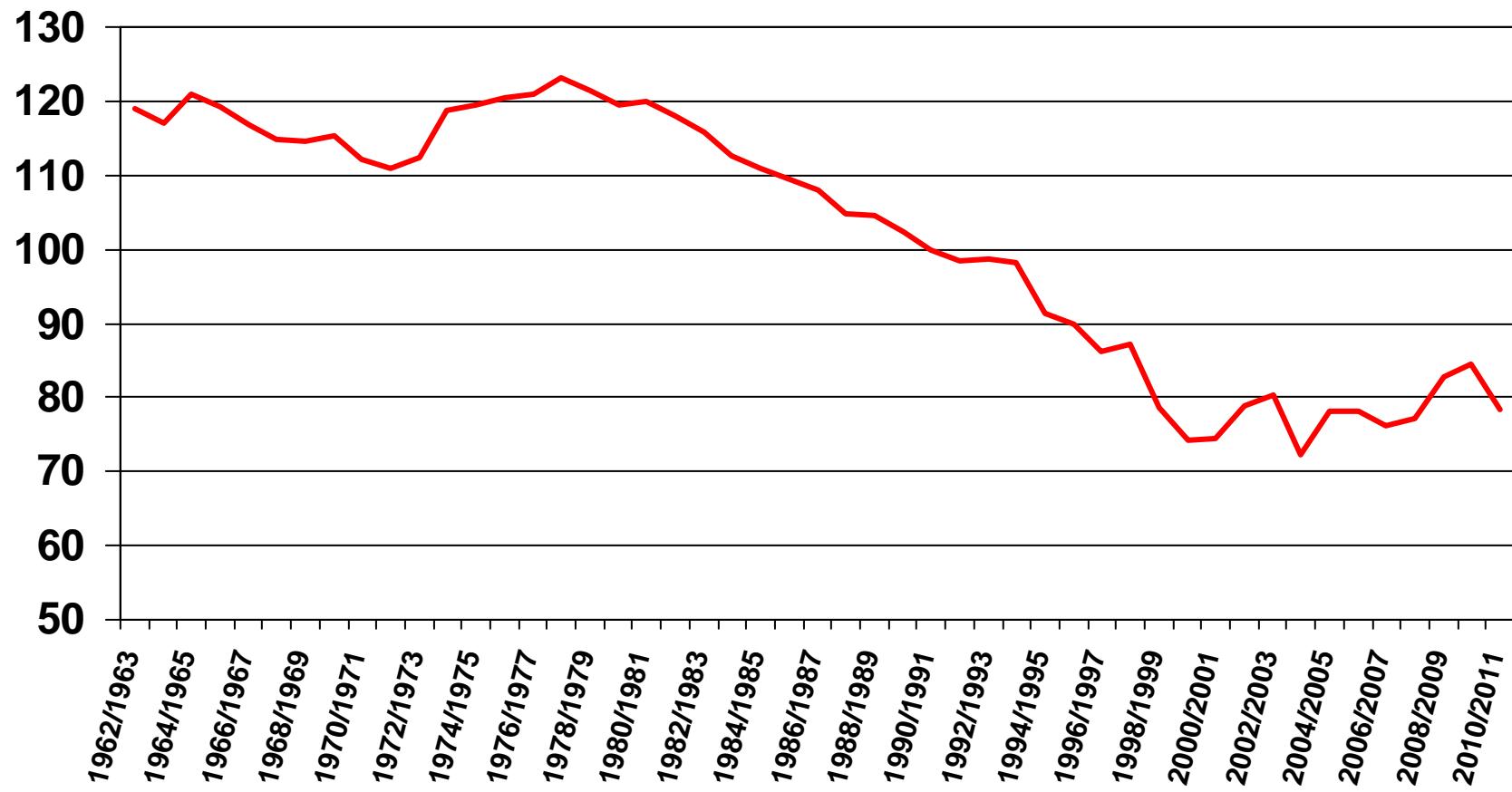
# FSU Grain Surplus

million tonnes



# Grain Area in the FSU-12

million hectares

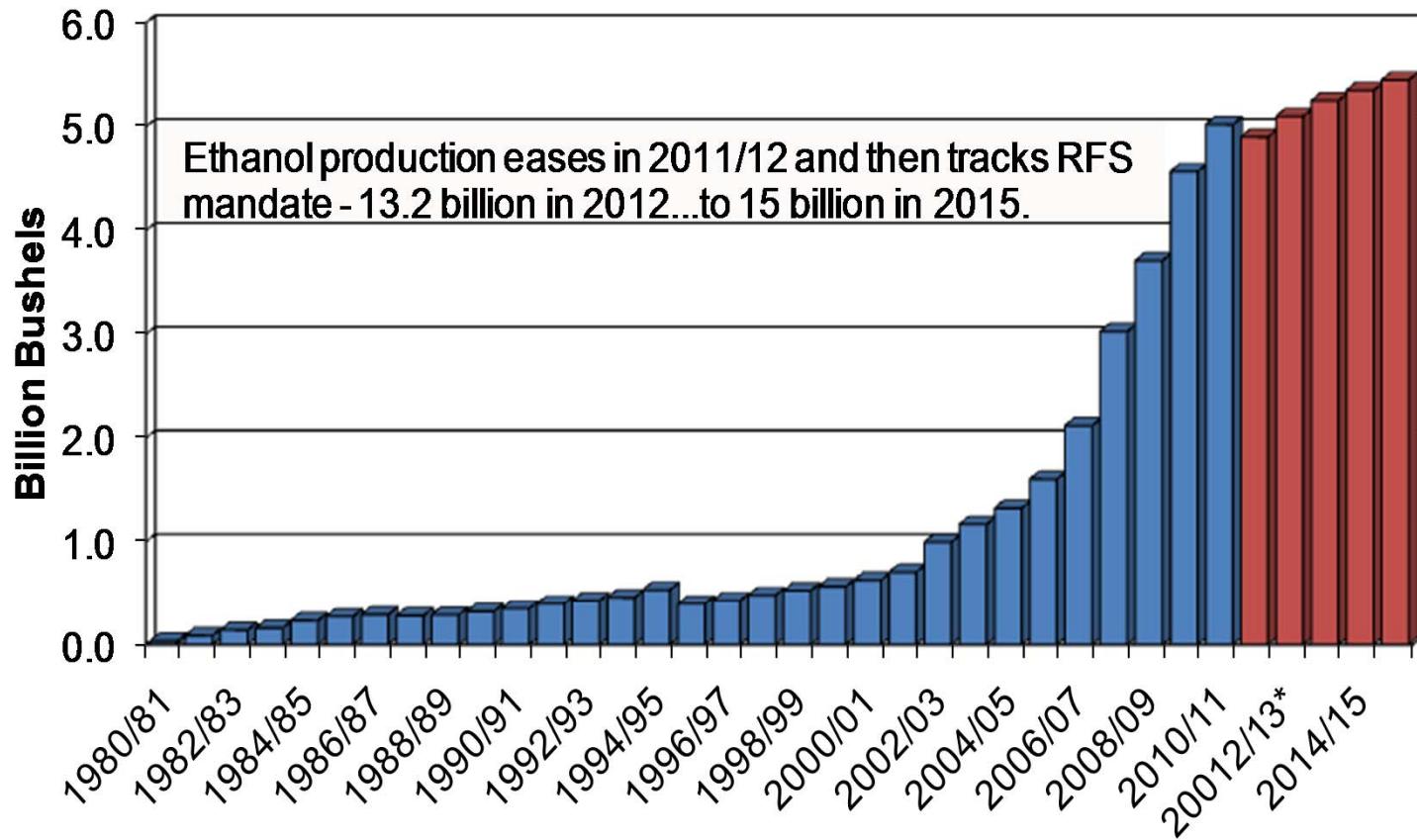


A decline of almost **100 million acres** since 1980

# Some Trends for U.S. Agriculture

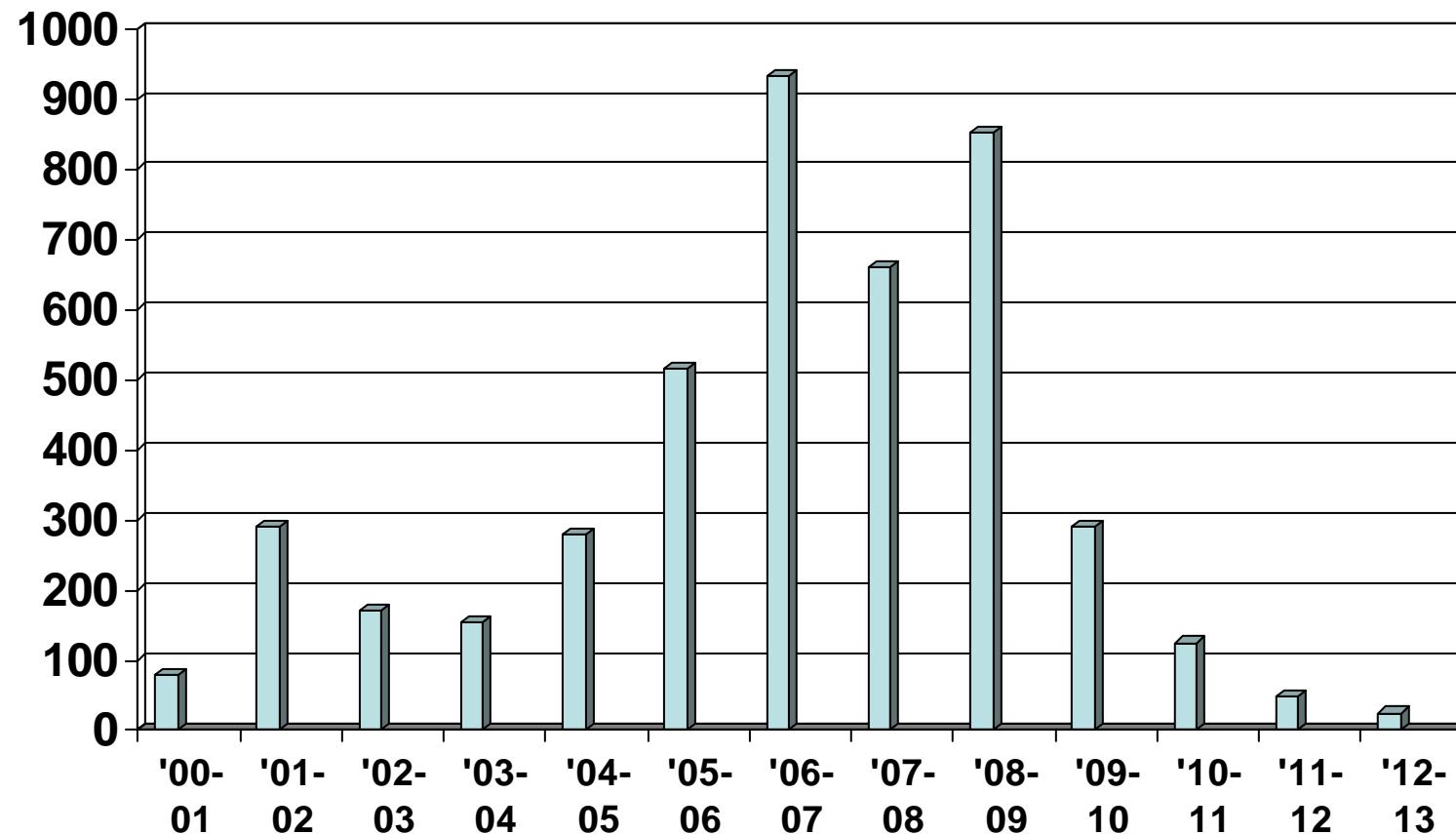
## Corn Used for Ethanol Production

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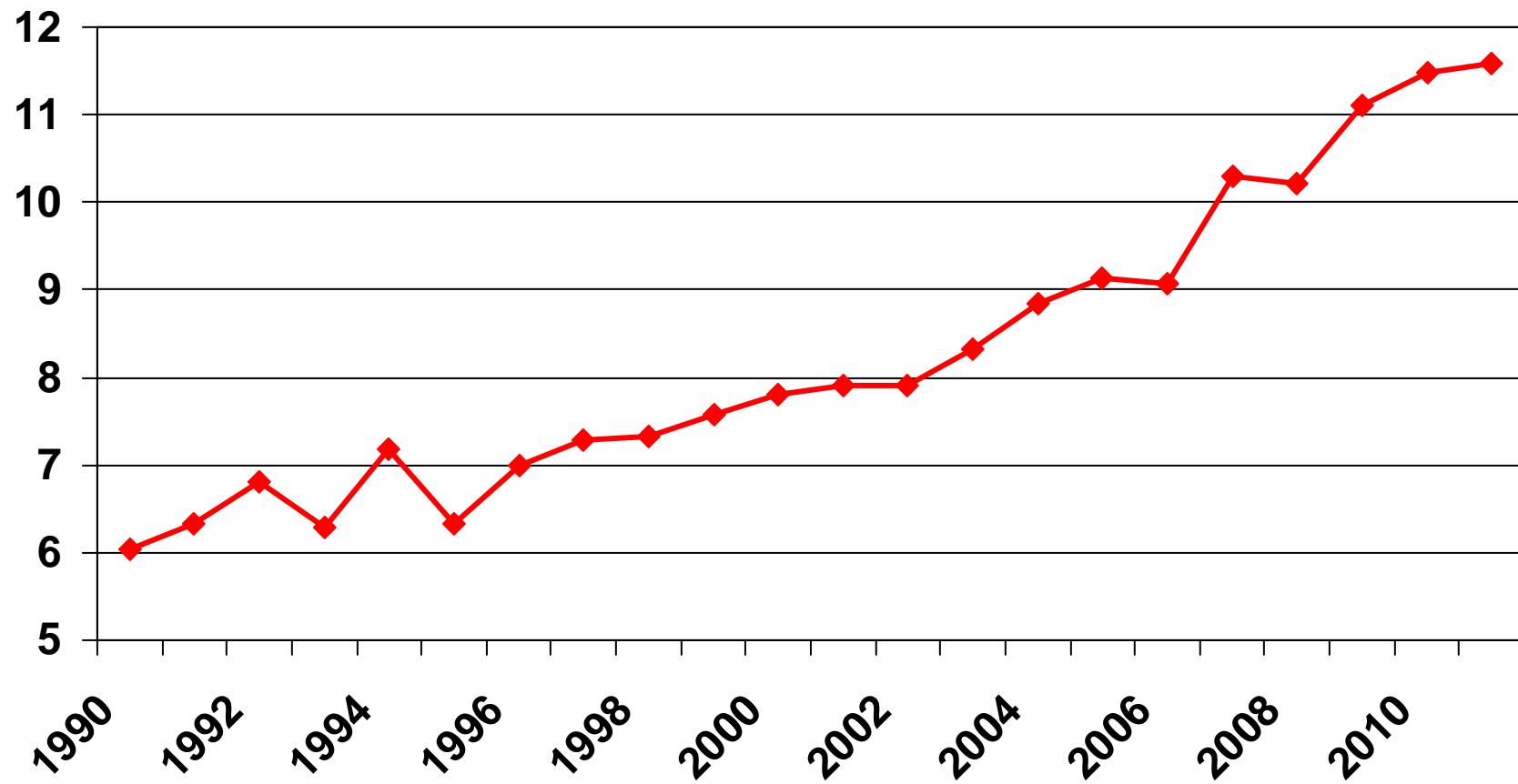
# Change in Corn Ethanol Use

million bushels



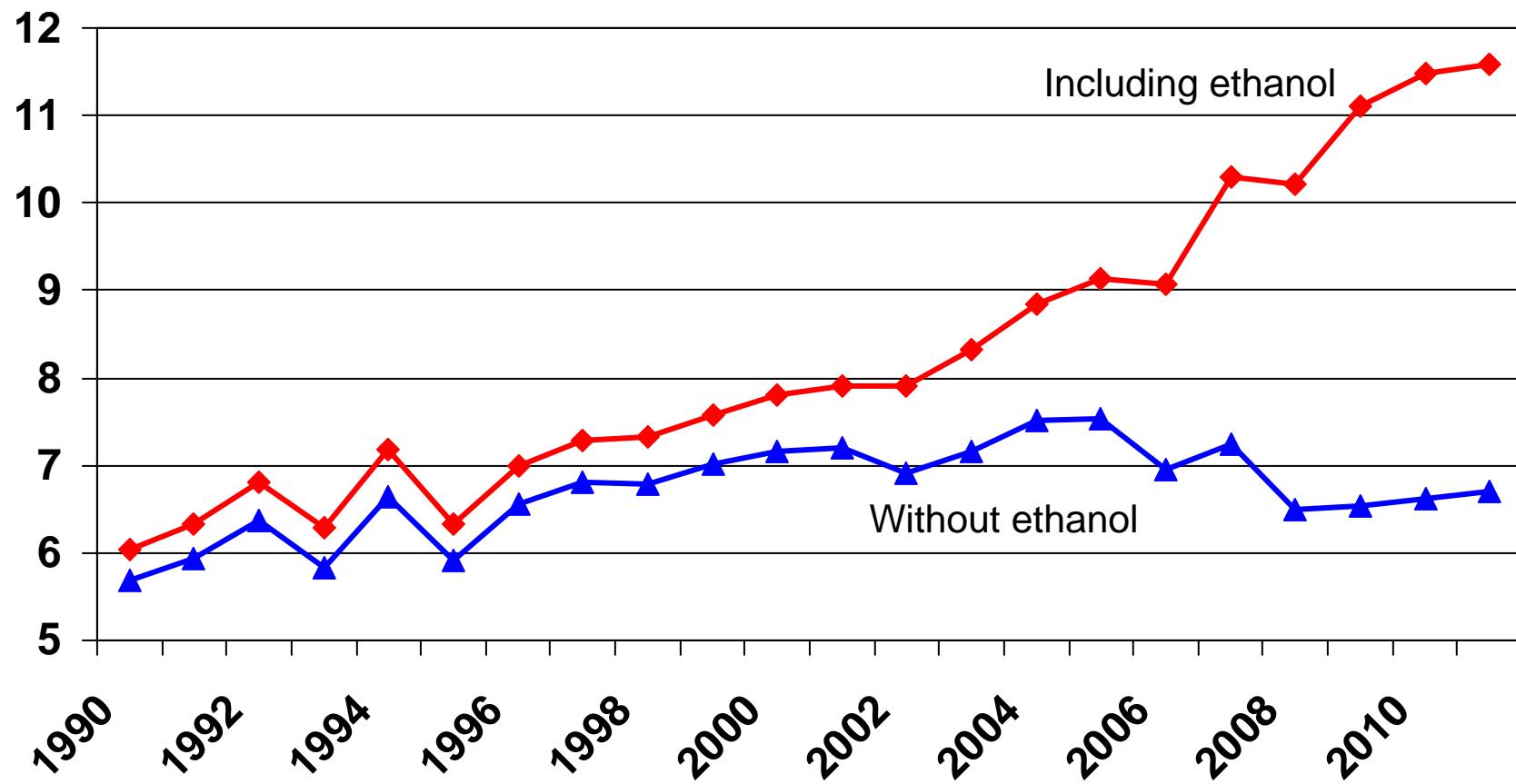
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Billion Bushels



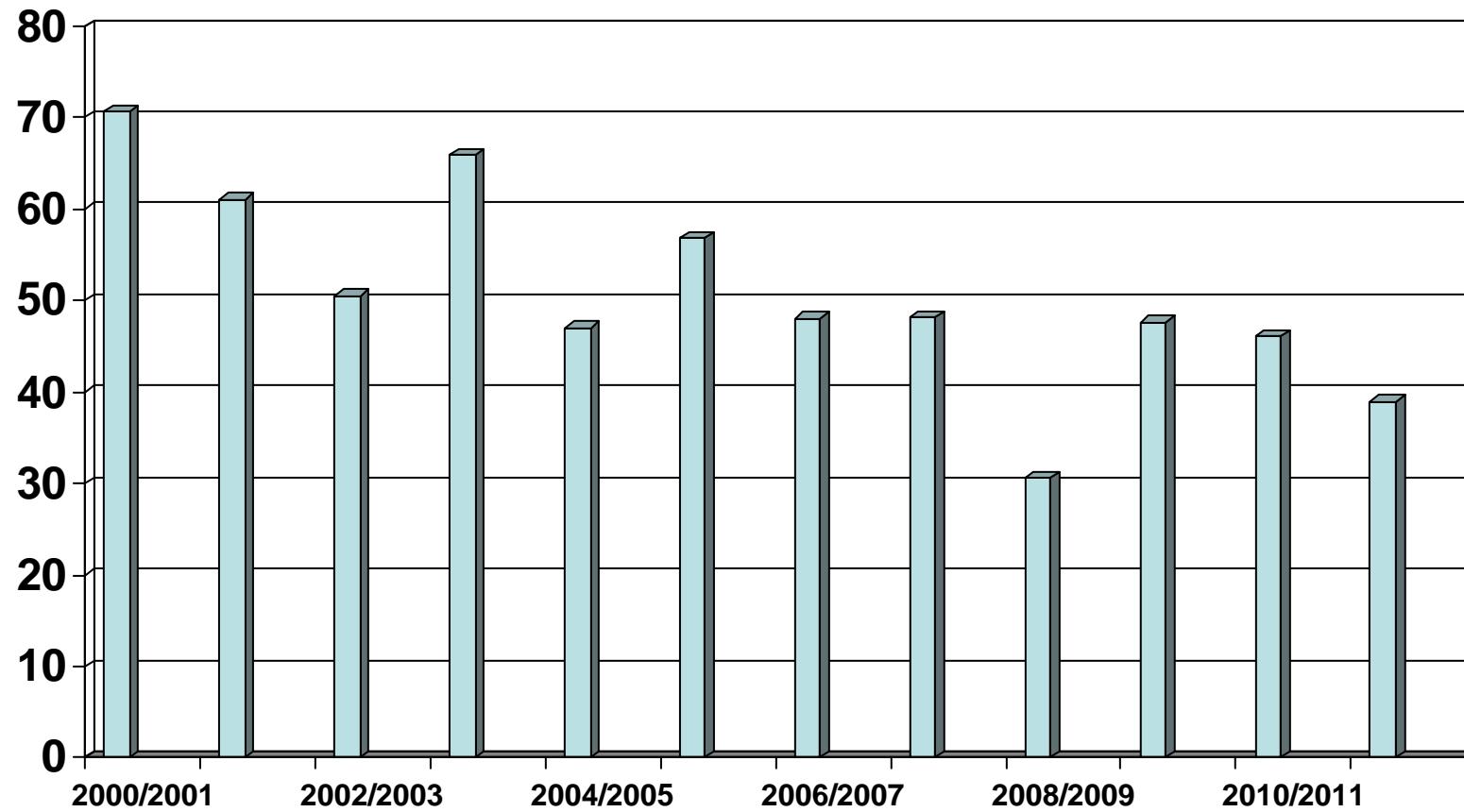
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# Foreign Corn Deficit

million tonnes

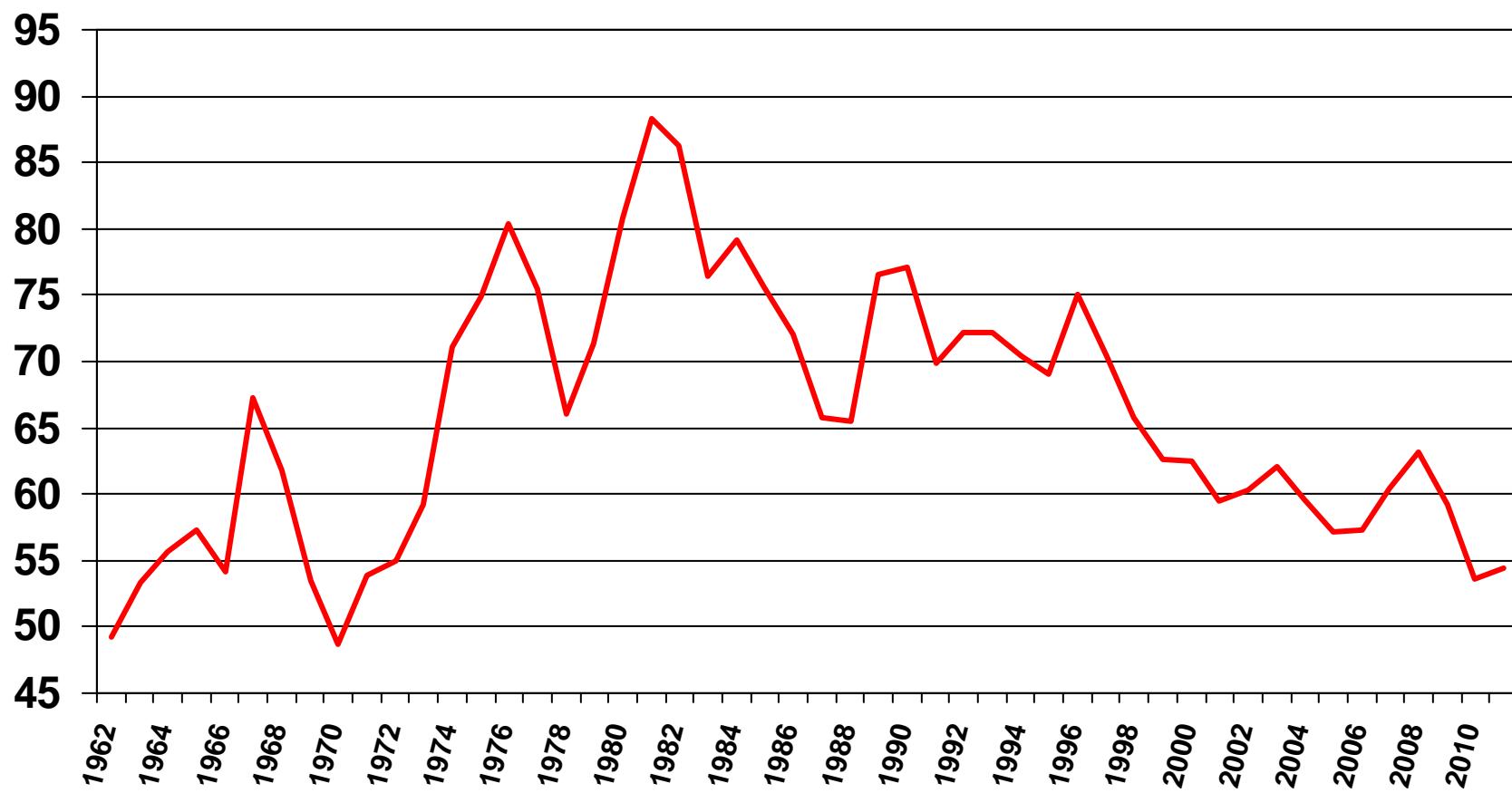


# Faster Yield Growth Ahead

- Seed companies say they will double corn and soybean yields by 2030
  - Most of the gains come after 2015
  - That would put the corn yield around 300 bushels per acre
  - We would produce 25 billion bushels with current acreage
  - Demand will have to essentially double
- We will also be able to boost corn acreage
  - Drought tolerant corn expands area

# U.S. Wheat Acreage

million acres



A decline of about 30 million acres since the early 1980s

# So what is the point of all this?

- There seems to be no shortage of cropland
- Demand is rising – but the ethanol industry has played a major role in that
- Demand growth in China is the key – India not so much
- How much China can boost area is critical
- The FSU may be a major competitor
- The U.S. corn market needs to find a new source of demand growth
- If productivity roars higher – we could face oversupply

**Questions??**