

What Now? 2025 Crop Market & Trade Outlook

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Key Issues to Watch

- Yield expectations for U.S. corn and soybeans continue to rise. Weather conditions have been very favorable.
 - Trade negotiations and agreements will have short-term and long-term impacts on agricultural markets.
 - Grain prices.
 - Input costs.
 - U.S. renewable energy policy is still evolving.
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CURRENT SUPPLY & DEMAND CONDITIONS

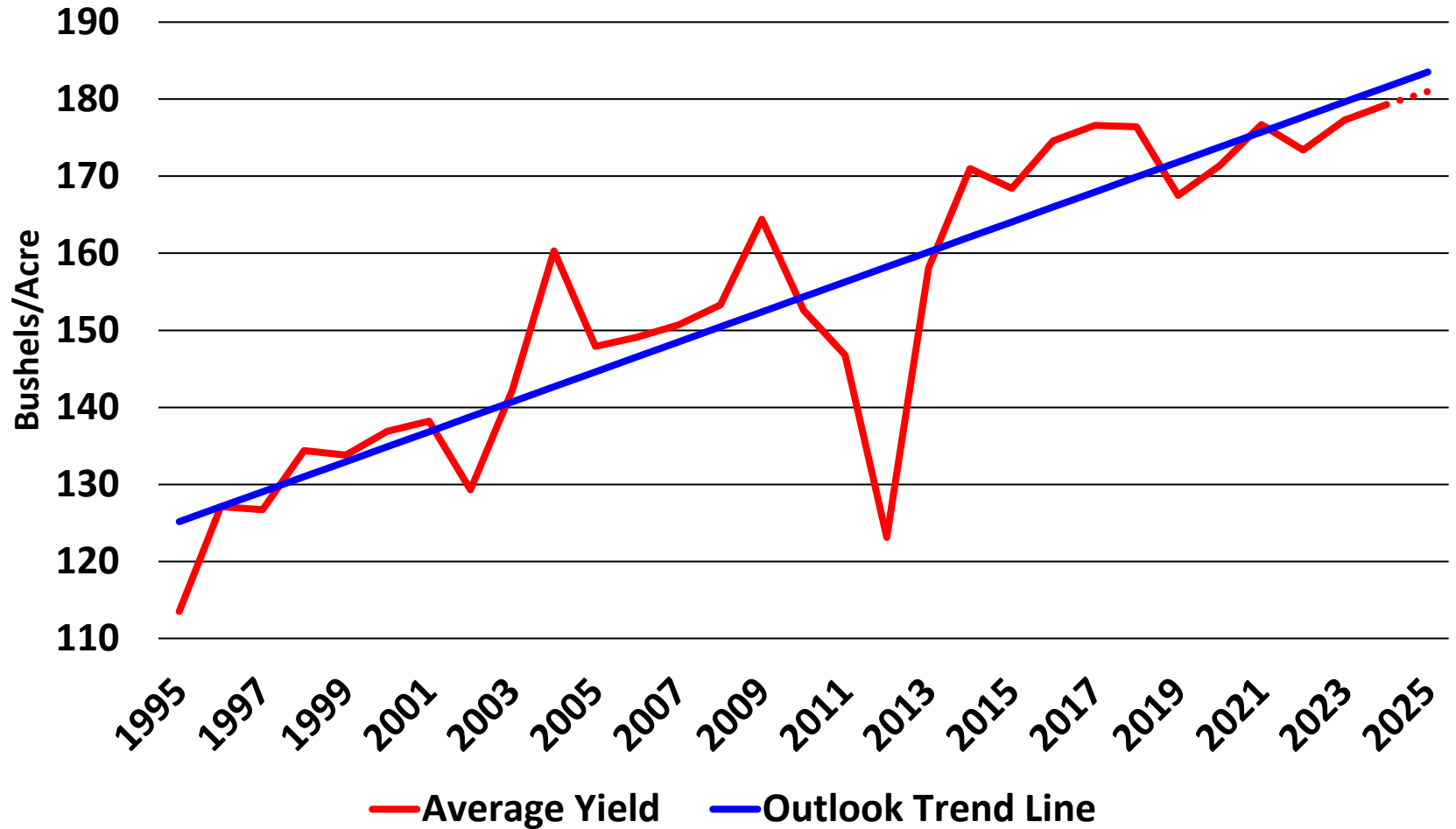


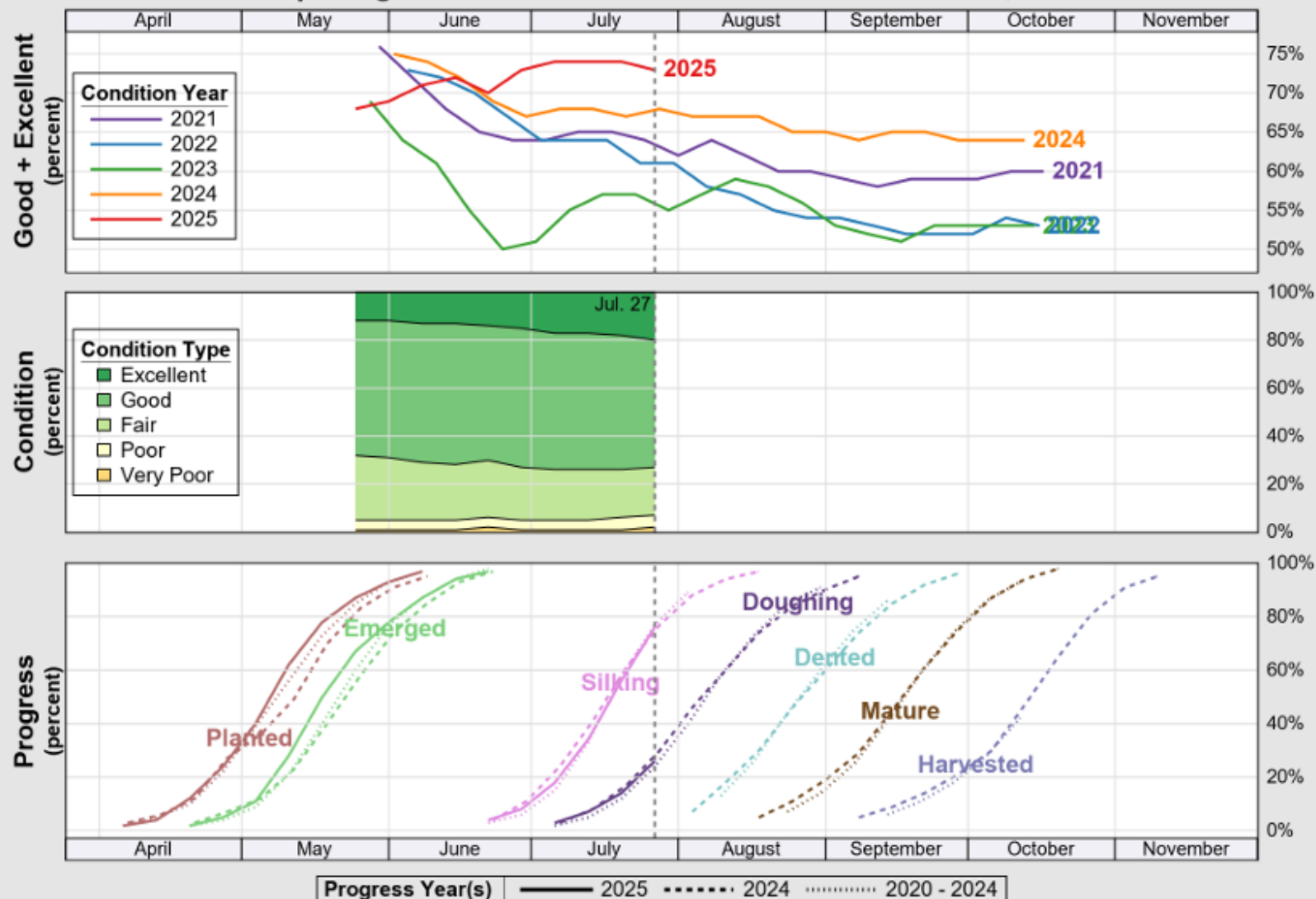
U.S. Corn Supply & Demand Table

U.S. Corn	2023/2024 (Est.)	2024/2025 (est.)	2025/2026 (Jul.)
Planted A.	94.6 Mill. A.	90.6 Mill. A.	95.2 Mill. A.
Harvested A.	86.5 Mill. A.	82.9 Mill. A.	86.8 Mill. A.
Yield/Harvest A.	177.3 bu.	179.3 bu.	181.0 bu.
Beginning Stocks	1,360 Mill. Bu.	1,763 Mill. Bu.	1,340 Mill. Bu.
Production	15,341 Mill. Bu.	14,897 Mill. Bu.	15,705 Mill. Bu.
Imports	28 Mill. Bu.	25 Mill. Bu.	25 Mill. Bu.
Total Supply	16,729 Mill. Bu.	16,655 Mill. Bu.	17,070 Mill. Bu.
Feed & Residual	5,843 Mill. Bu.	5,675 Mill. Bu.	5,850 Mill. Bu.
Food, Seed, Ind.	6,868 Mill. Bu.	6,890 Mill. Bu.	6,885 Mill. Bu.
Ethanol	5,478 Mill. Bu.	5,500 Mill. Bu.	5,500 Mill. Bu.
Exports	2,255 Mill. Bu.	2,750 Mill. Bu.	2,675 Mill. Bu.
Total Use	14,966 Mill. Bu.	15,315 Mill. Bu.	15,410 Mill. Bu.
Ending Stocks	1,763 Mill. Bu.	1,340 Mill. Bu.	1,660 Mill. Bu.

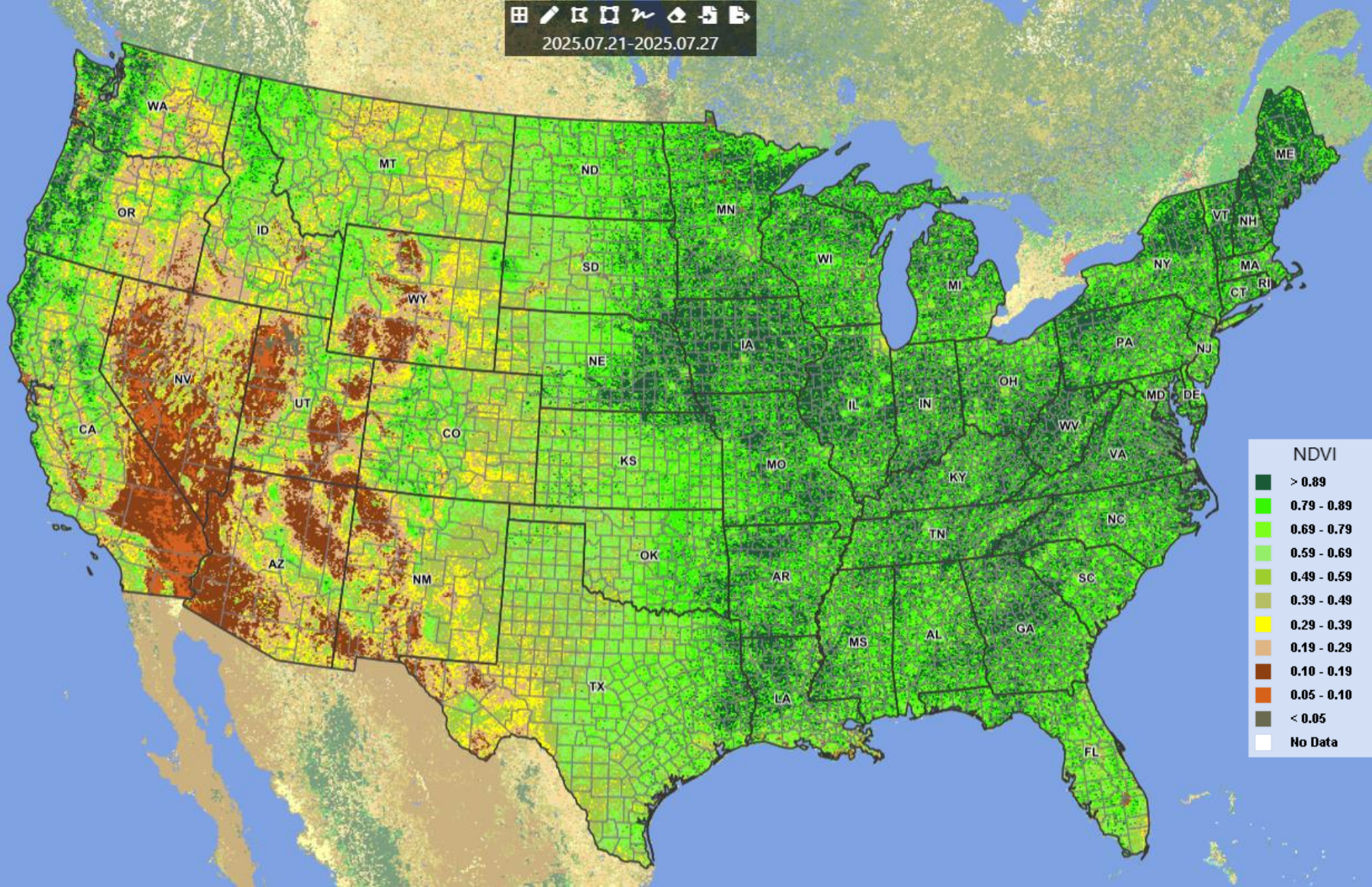
U.S. Corn Trend Line Yield

(1995 – 2024)





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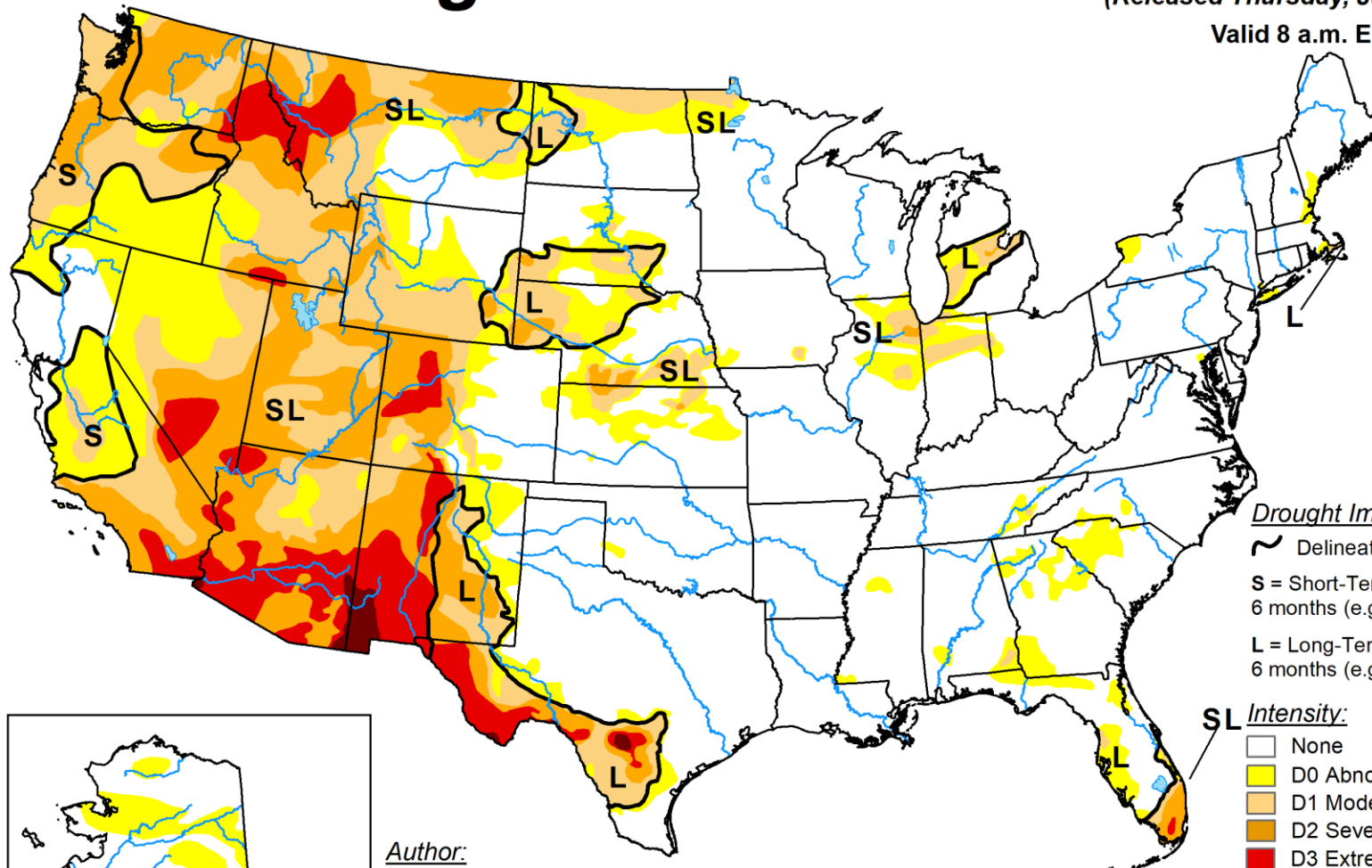


U.S. Drought Monitor

July 22, 2025

(Released Thursday, Jul. 24, 2025)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Drought Impact Types:

~ Delineates dominant impacts

S = Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)

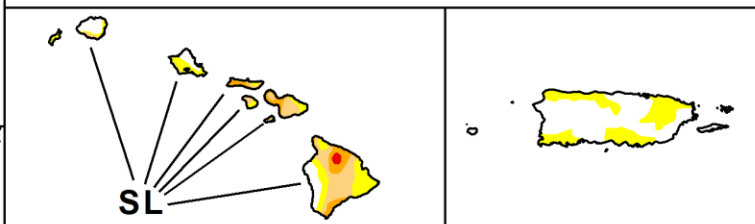
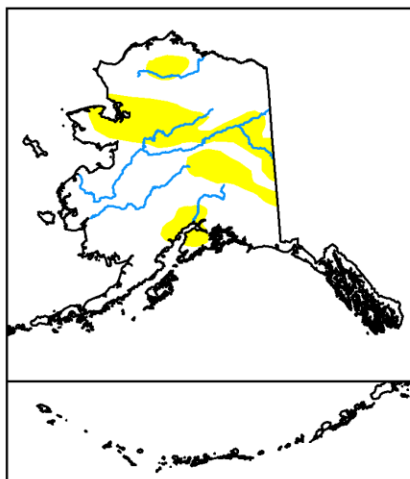
L = Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

SL Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

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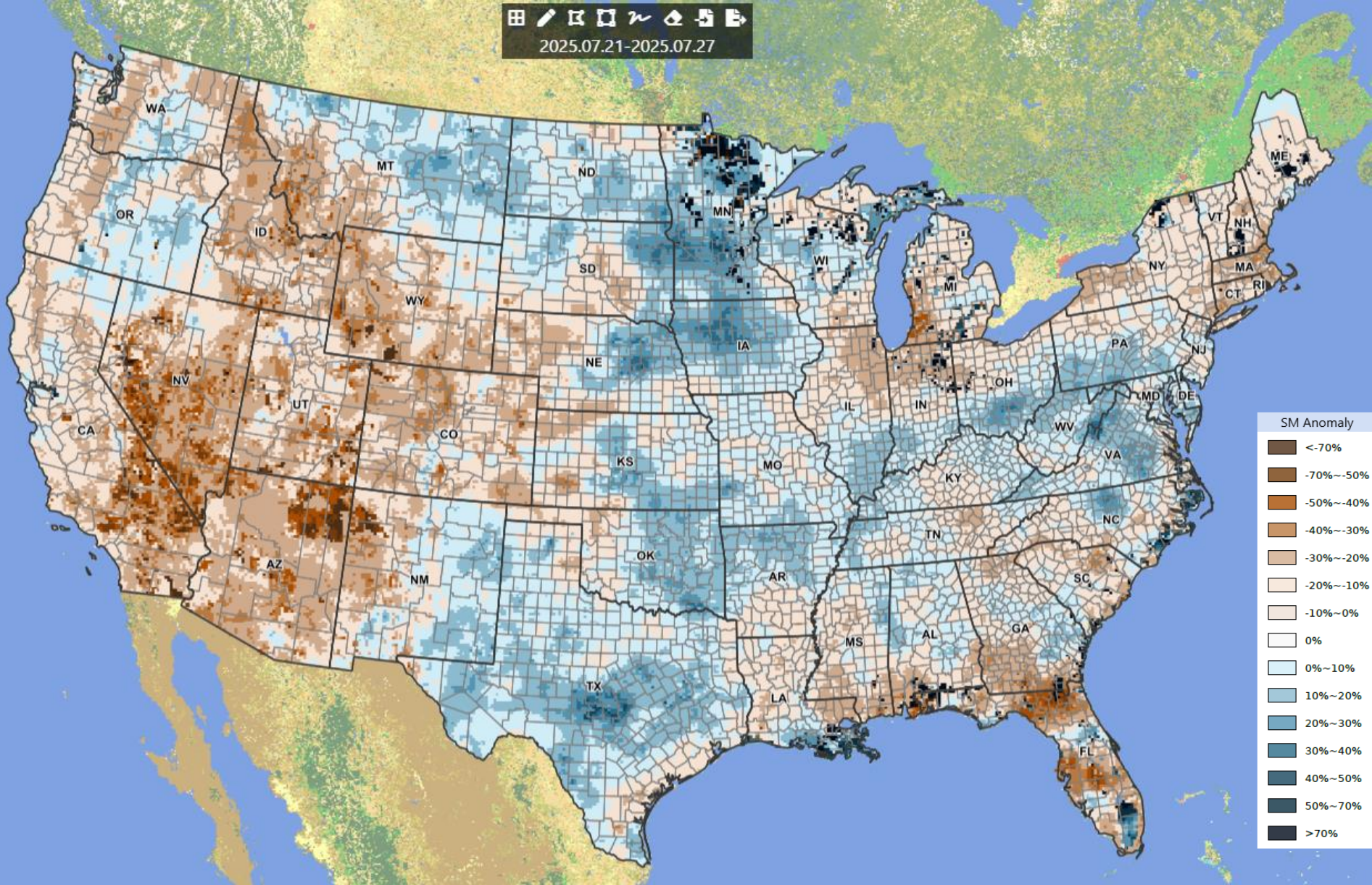
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Western Regional Climate Center



The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>



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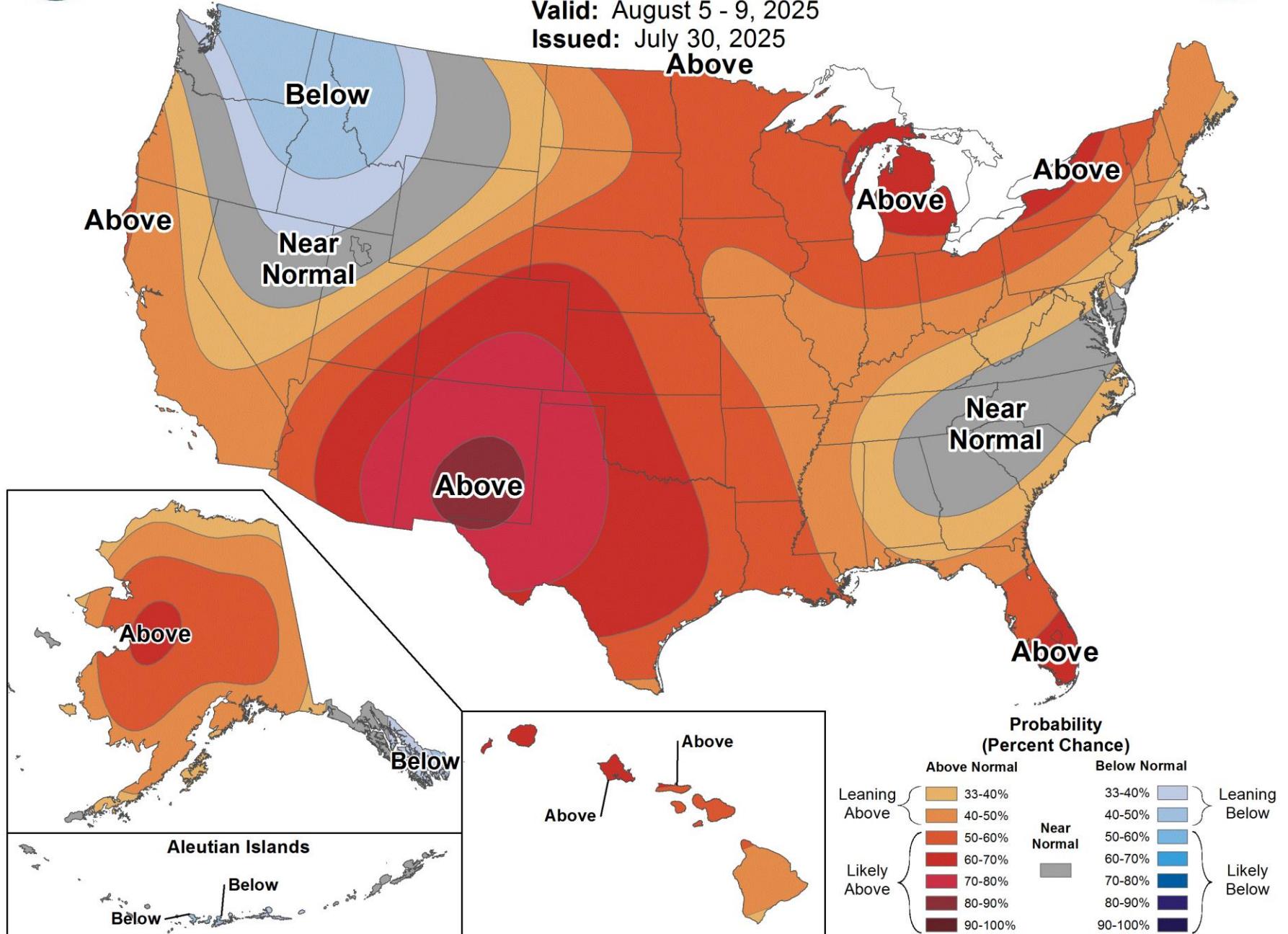


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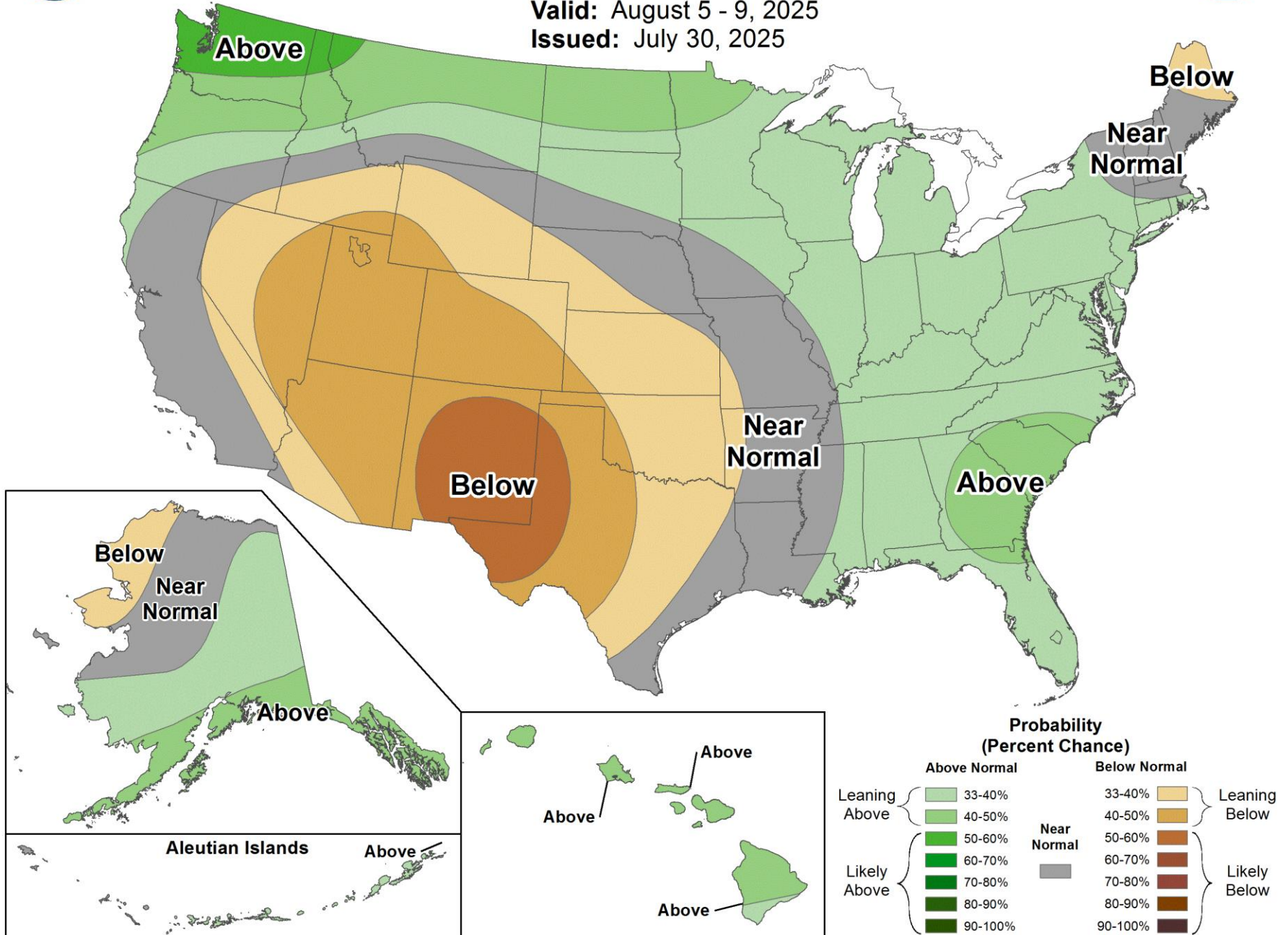
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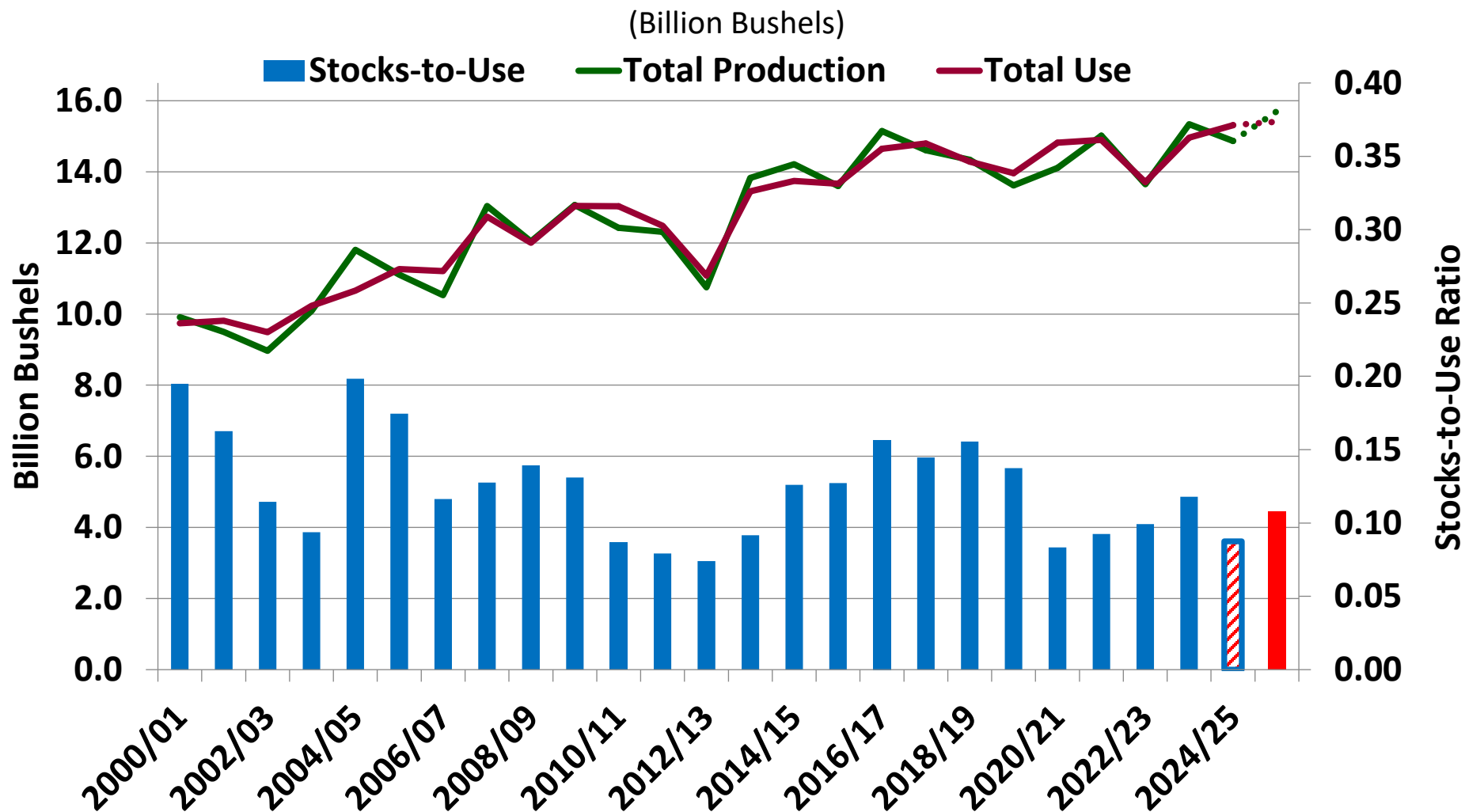


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U.S. Corn – Total Prod. & Use

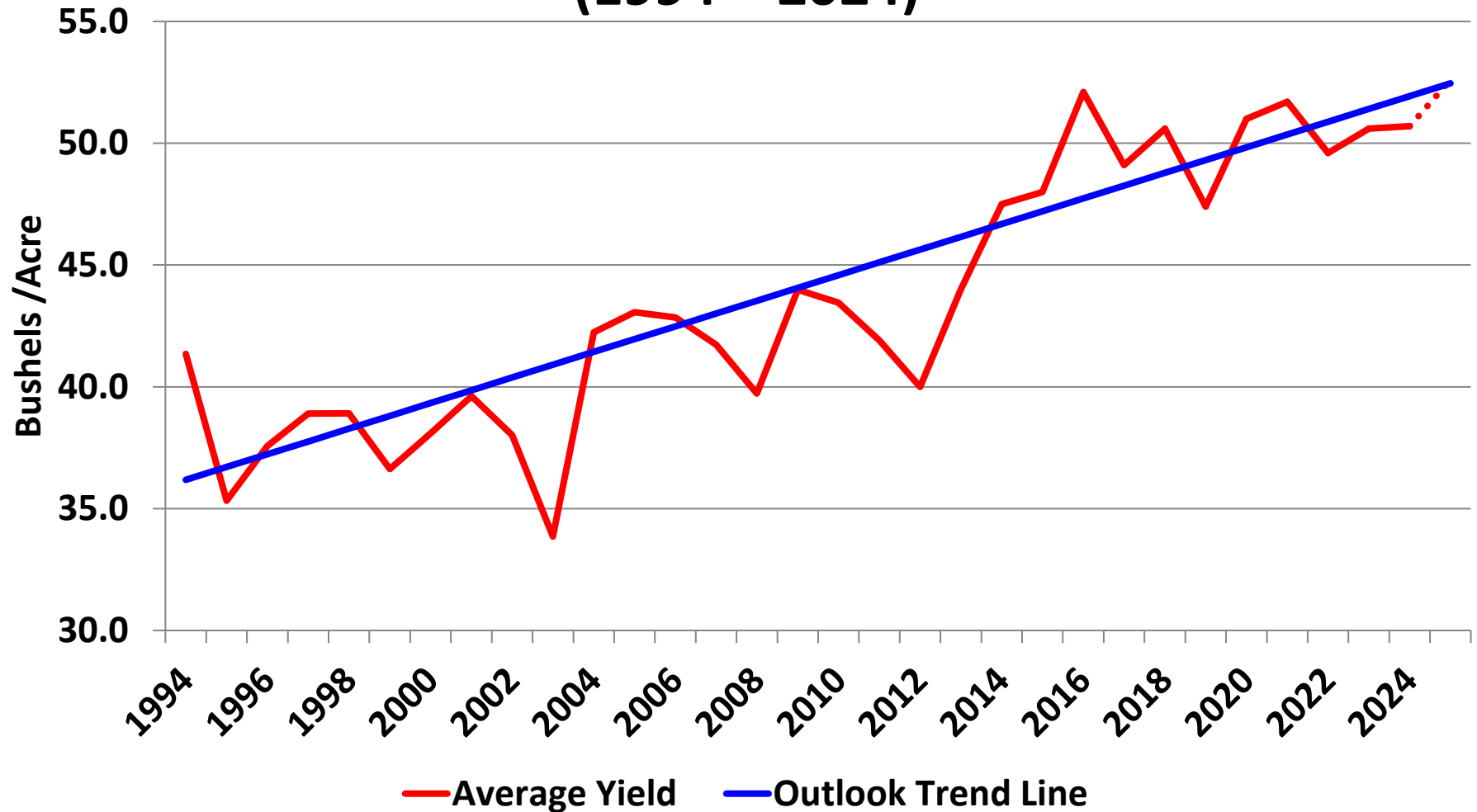


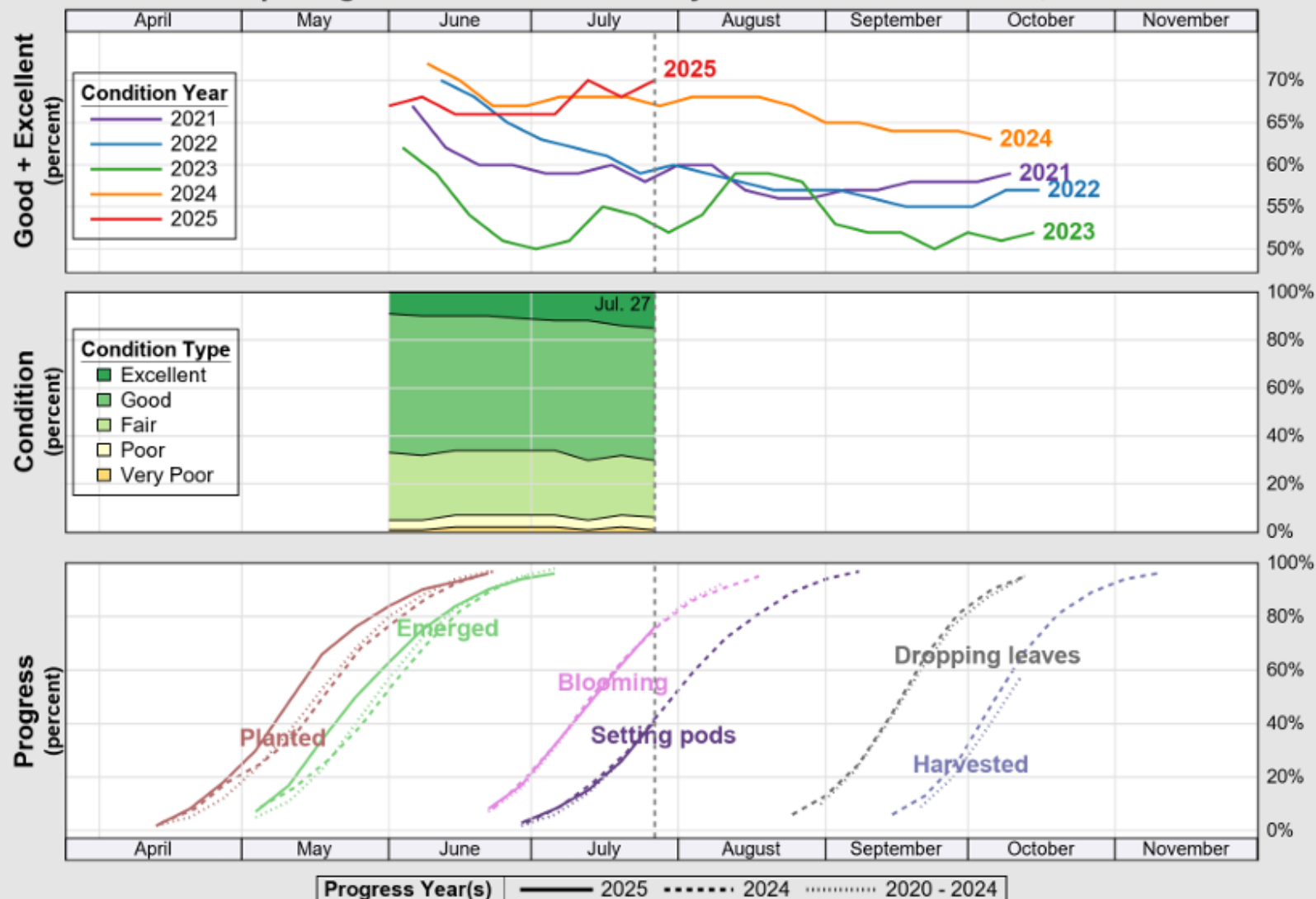
U.S. Soybean Supply & Demand Table

U.S. Soybean	2023/2024 (Est.)	2024/2025 (est.)	2025/2026 (Jul.)
Planted A.	83.6 Mill. A.	87.1 Mill. A.	83.4 Mill. A.
Harvested A.	82.3 Mill. A.	86.1 Mill. A.	82.5 Mill. A.
Yield/Harvest A.	50.6 bu.	50.7 bu.	52.5 bu.
Beginning Stocks	264 Mill. Bu.	342 Mill. Bu.	350 Mill. Bu.
Production	4,162 Mill. Bu.	4,366 Mill. Bu.	4,335 Mill. Bu.
Imports	21 Mill. Bu.	25 Mill. Bu.	20 Mill. Bu.
Total Supply	4,447 Mill. Bu.	4,734 Mill. Bu.	4,705 Mill. Bu.
Crushings	2,285 Mill. Bu.	2,420 Mill. Bu.	2,540 Mill. Bu.
Exports	1,700 Mill. Bu.	1,865 Mill. Bu.	1,745 Mill. Bu.
Seed	75 Mill. Bu.	72 Mill. Bu.	73 Mill. Bu.
Residual	44 Mill. Bu.	27 Mill. Bu.	37 Mill. Bu.
Total Use	4,105 Mill. Bu.	4,384 Mill. Bu.	4,395 Mill. Bu.
Ending Stocks	342 Mill. Bu.	350 Mill. Bu.	310 Mill. Bu.

U.S. Soybean Trend Line Yield

(1994 – 2024)

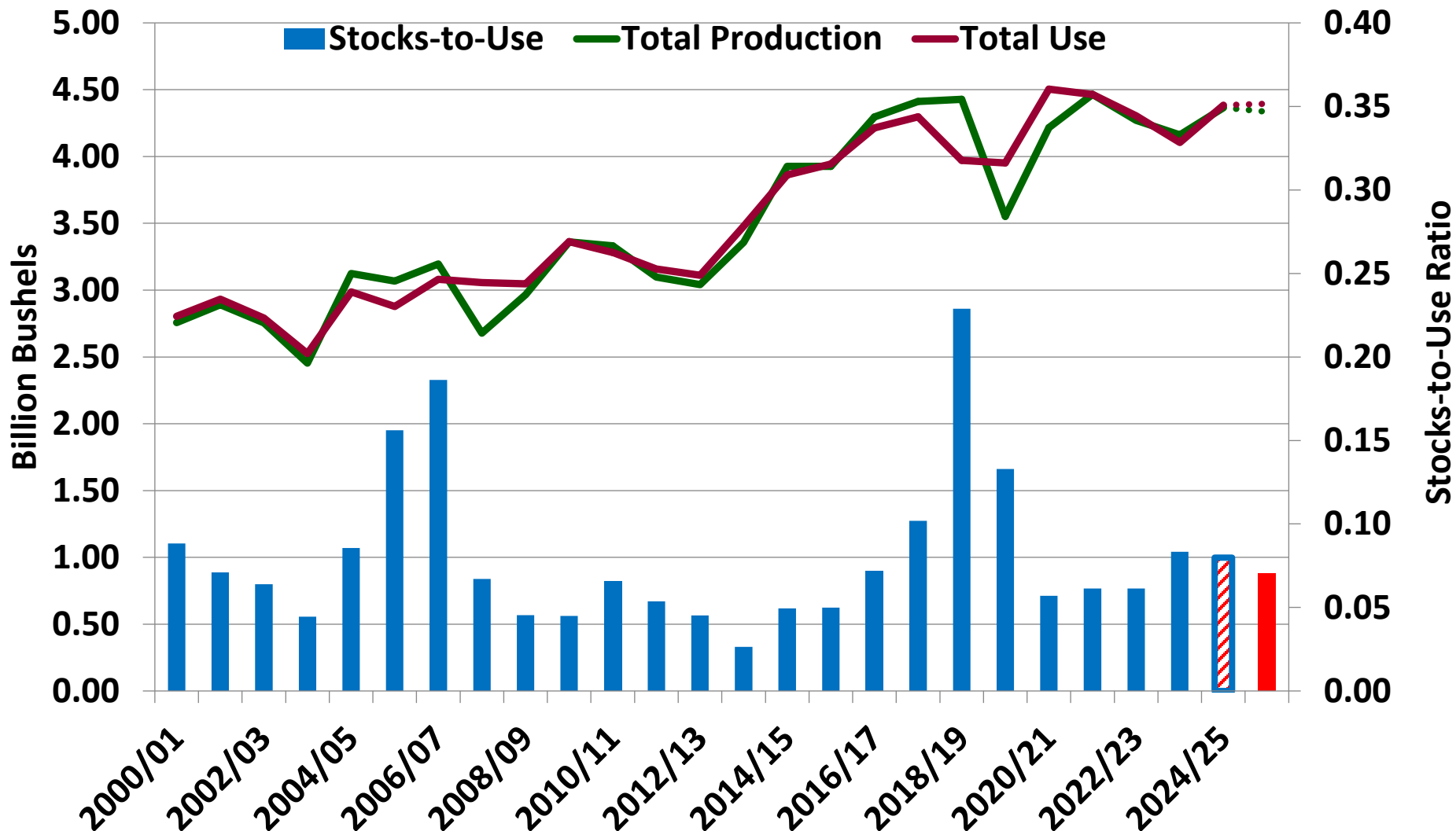




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U.S. Soybean – Total Prod. & Use

(Billion Bushels)

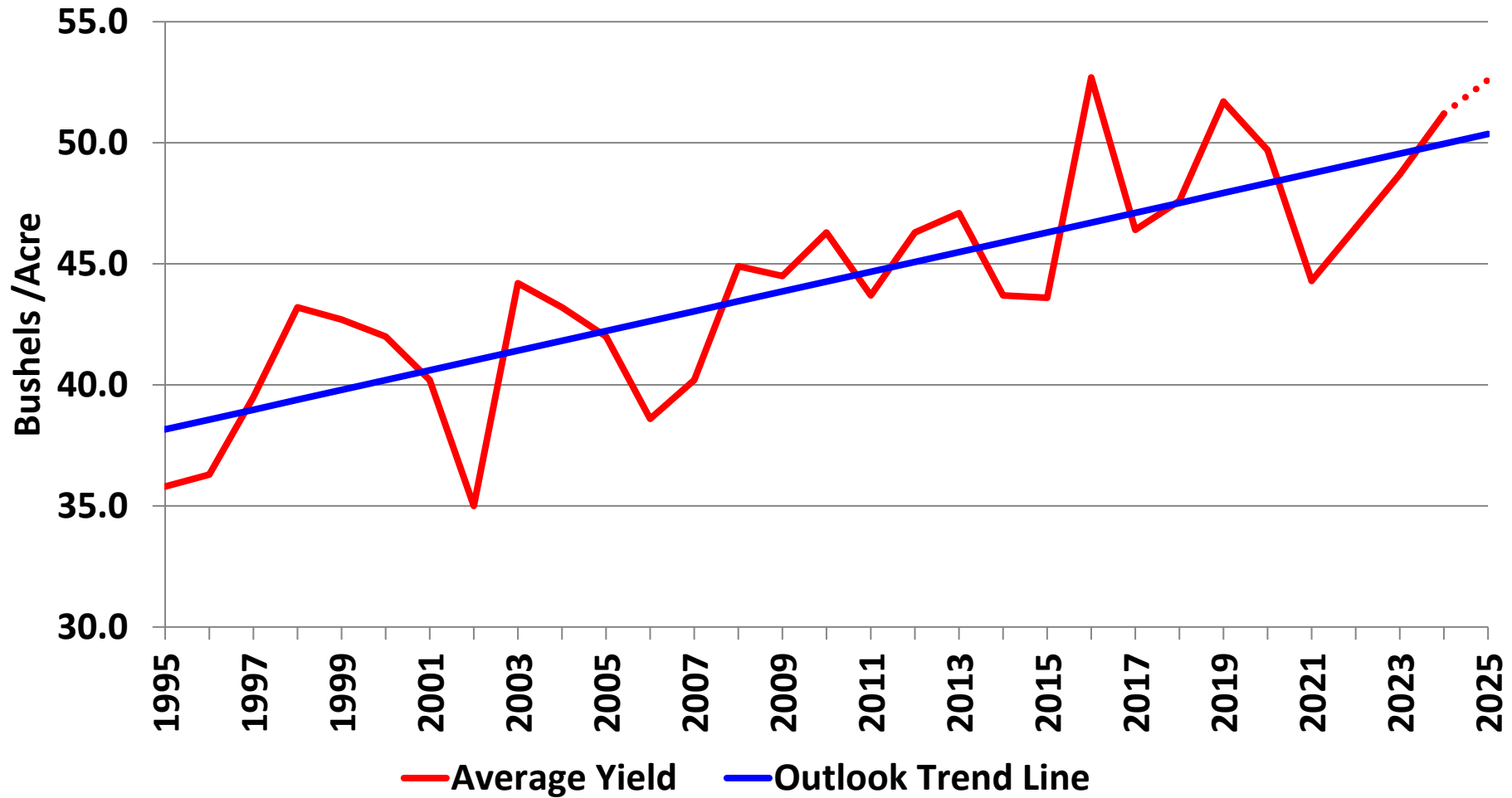


U.S. All Wheat Supply & Demand Table

U.S. All Wheat	2023/2024	2024/2025 (est.)	2025/2026 (Jul.)
Planted A.	49.6 Mill. A.	46.1 Mill. A.	45.5 Mill. A.
Harvested A.	37.1 Mill. A.	38.5 Mill. A.	36.6 Mill. A.
Yield/Harvest A.	48.7 bu.	51.2 bu.	52.6 bu.
Begin Stocks	570 Mill. Bu.	696 Mill. Bu.	851 Mill. Bu.
Production	1,804 Mill. Bu.	1,971 Mill. Bu.	1,929 Mill. Bu.
Imports	138 Mill. Bu.	149 Mill. Bu.	120 Mill. Bu.
Total Supply	2,512 Mill. Bu.	2,817 Mill. Bu.	2,899 Mill. Bu.
Food	961 Mill. Bu.	975 Mill. Bu.	977 Mill. Bu.
Seed	62 Mill. Bu.	62 Mill. Bu.	62 Mill. Bu.
Feed & Residual	86 Mill. Bu.	103 Mill. Bu.	120 Mill. Bu.
Exports	706 Mill. Bu.	826 Mill. Bu.	850 Mill. Bu.
Total Use	1,815 Mill. Bu.	1,966 Mill. Bu.	2,009 Mill. Bu.
Ending Stocks	696 Mill. Bu.	851 Mill. Bu.	890 Mill. Bu.

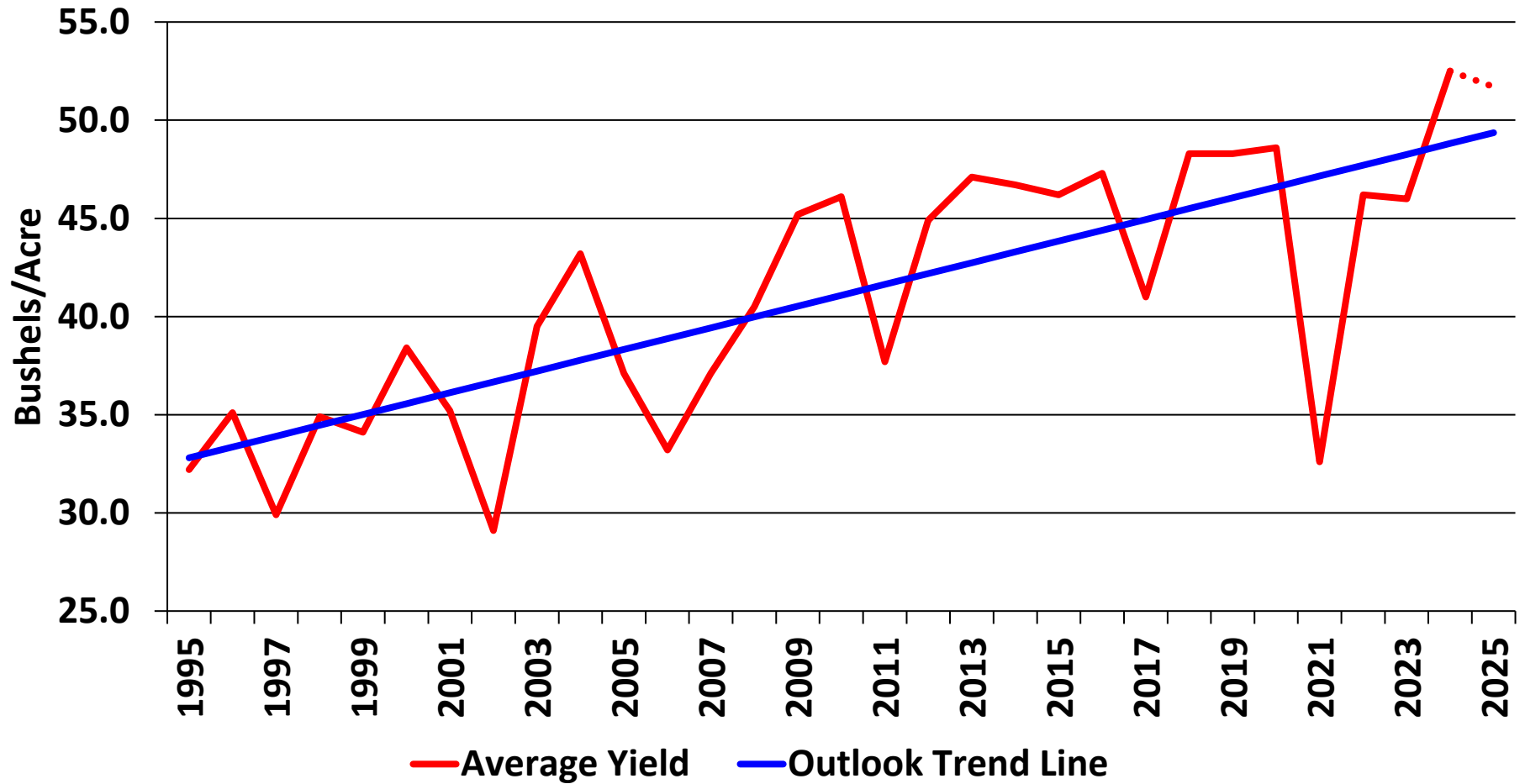
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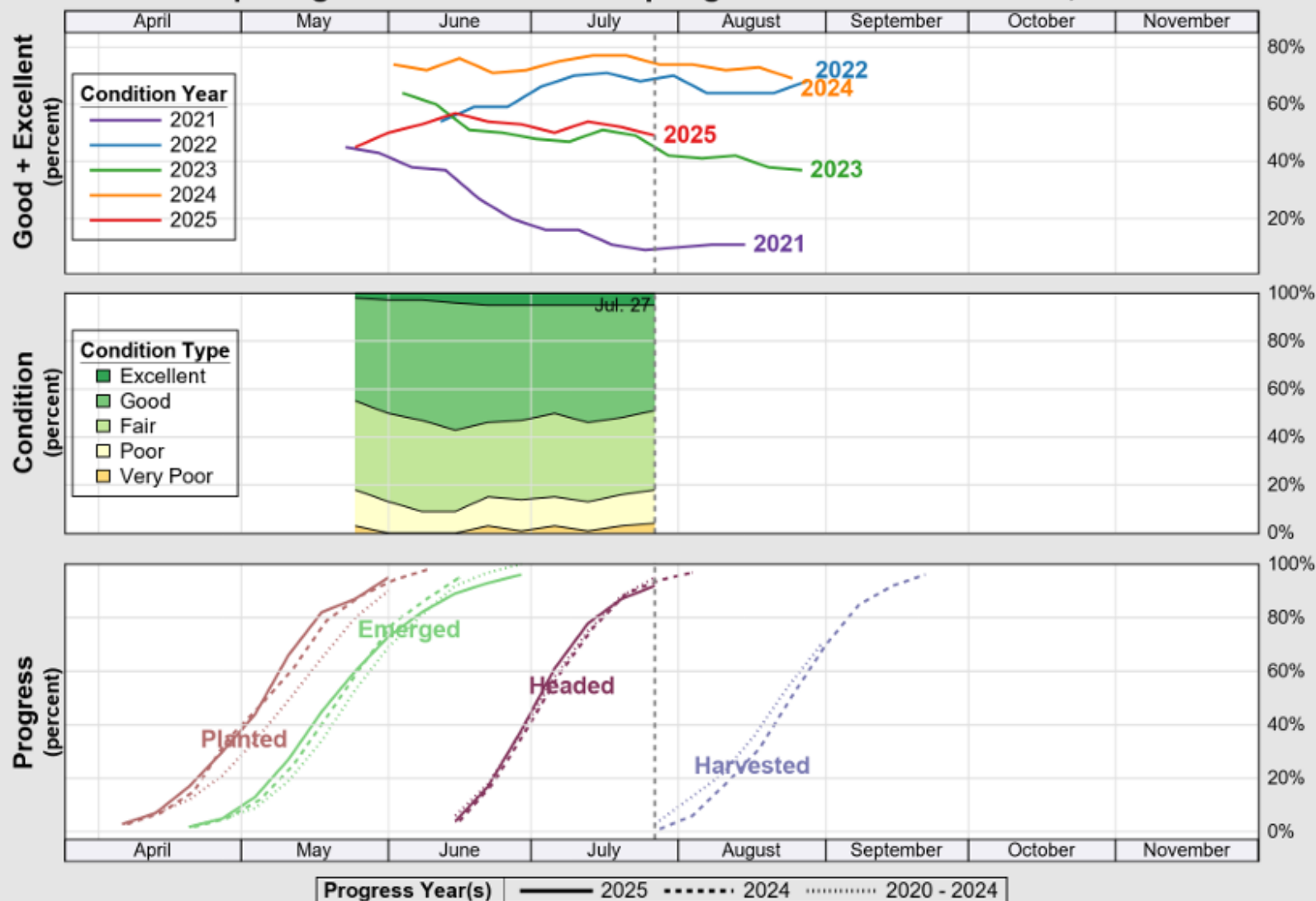
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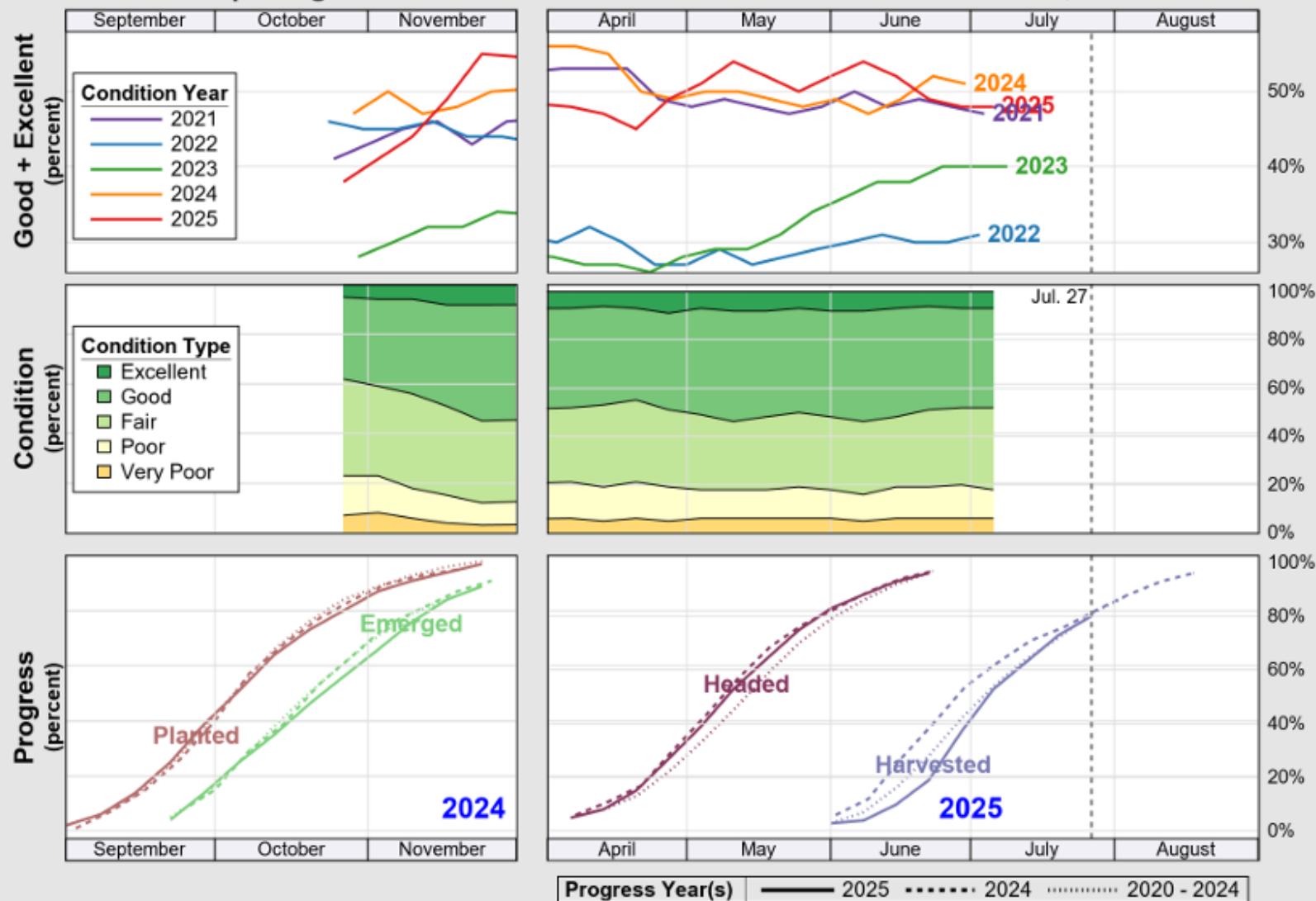
U.S. Spring Wheat Trend Line Yield

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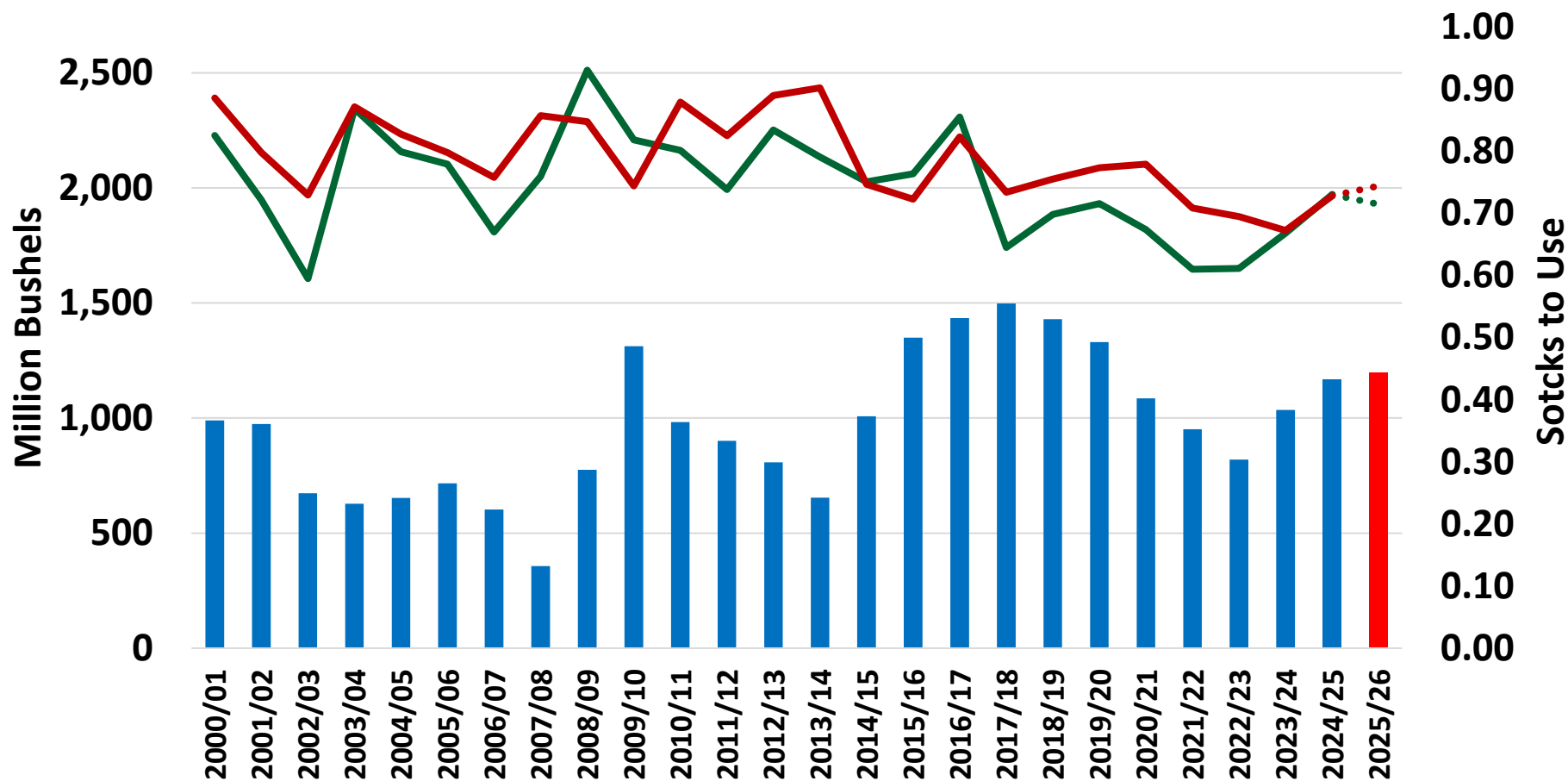


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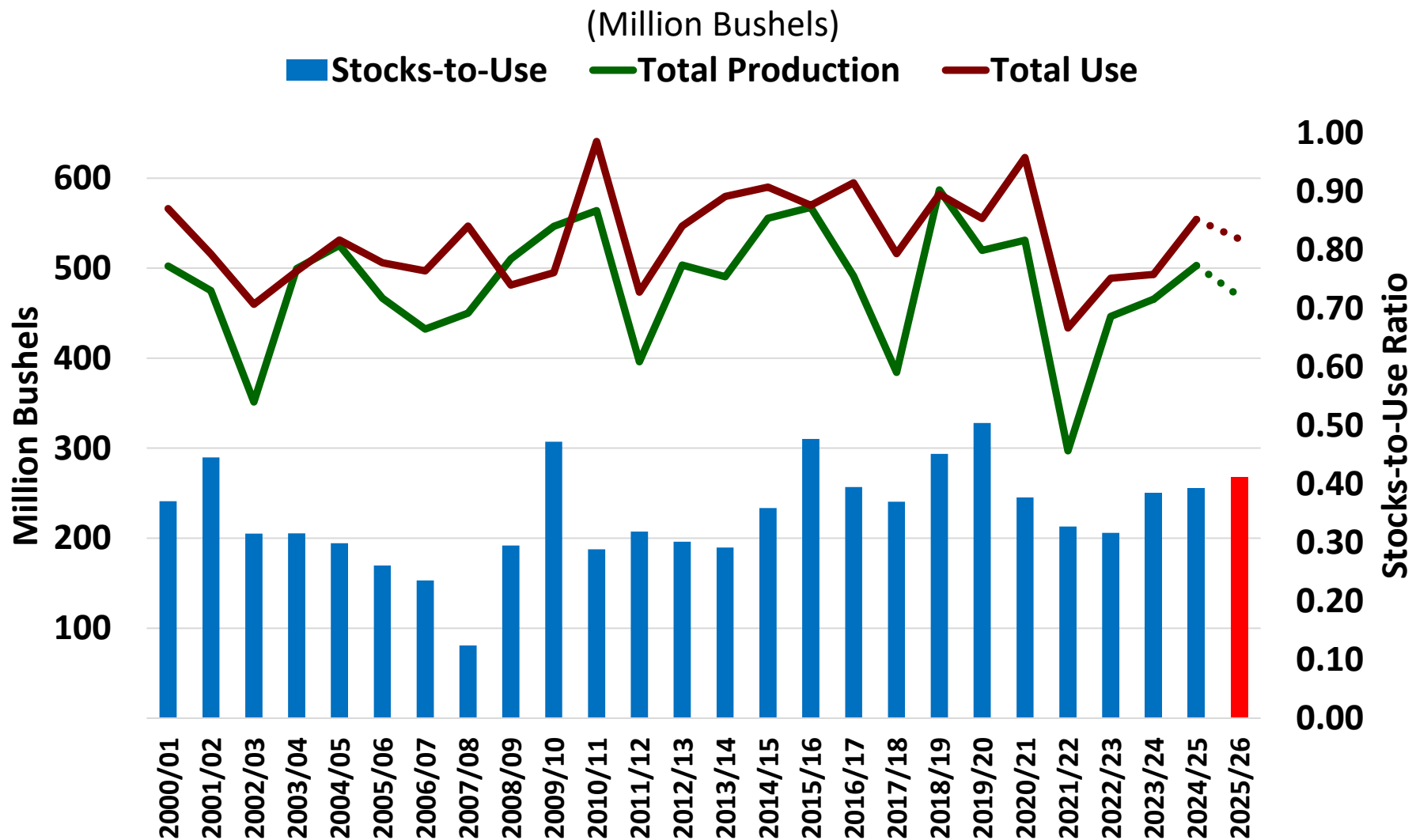
U.S. All Wheat – Total Prod. & Use

(Million Bushels)

Stocks to Use Total Production Total Use



U.S. HRSW – Total Prod. & Use

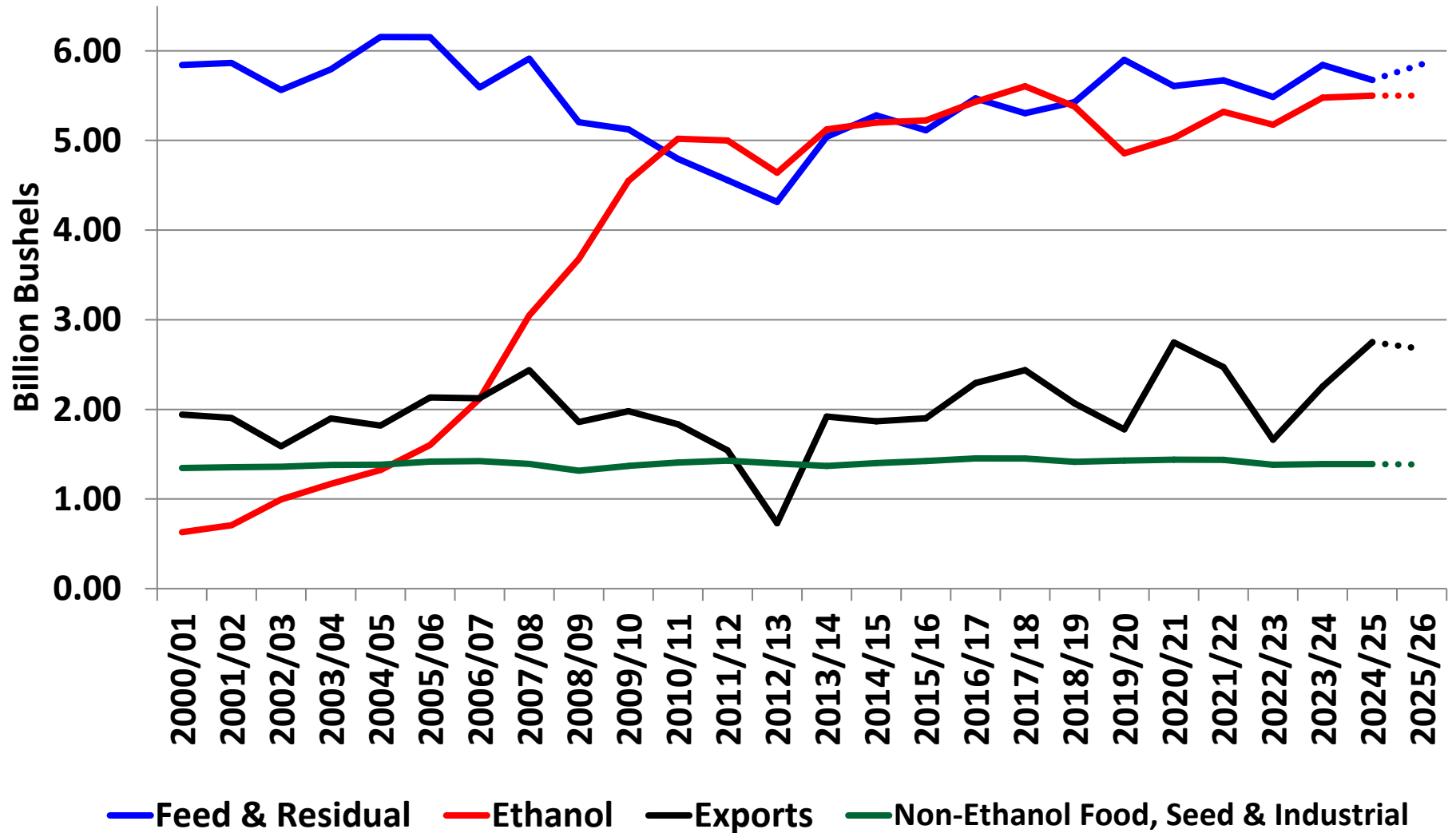


DOMESTIC VS. INTERNATIONAL CONSUMPTION

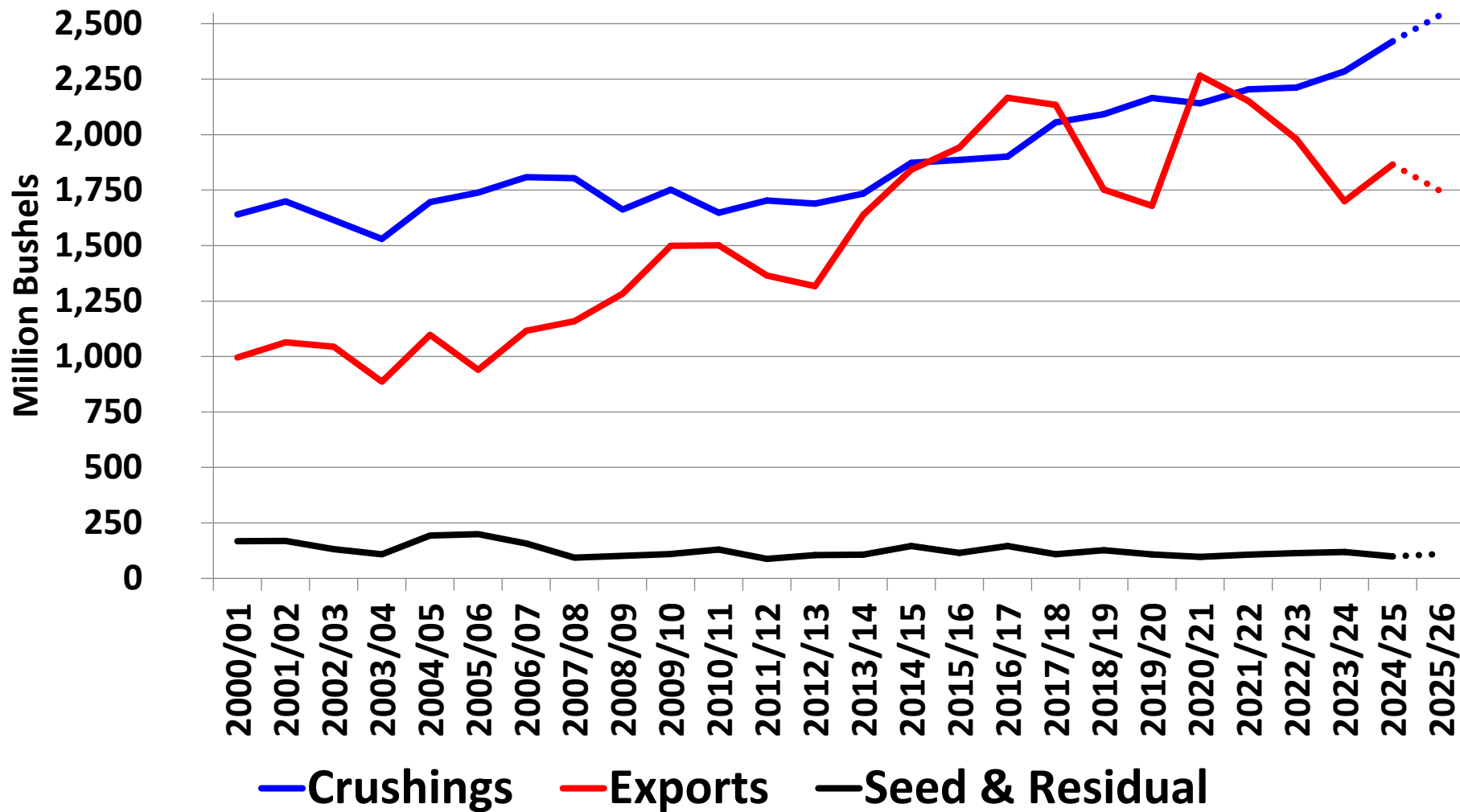


U.S. Corn – Total Use

(Billion Bushels)

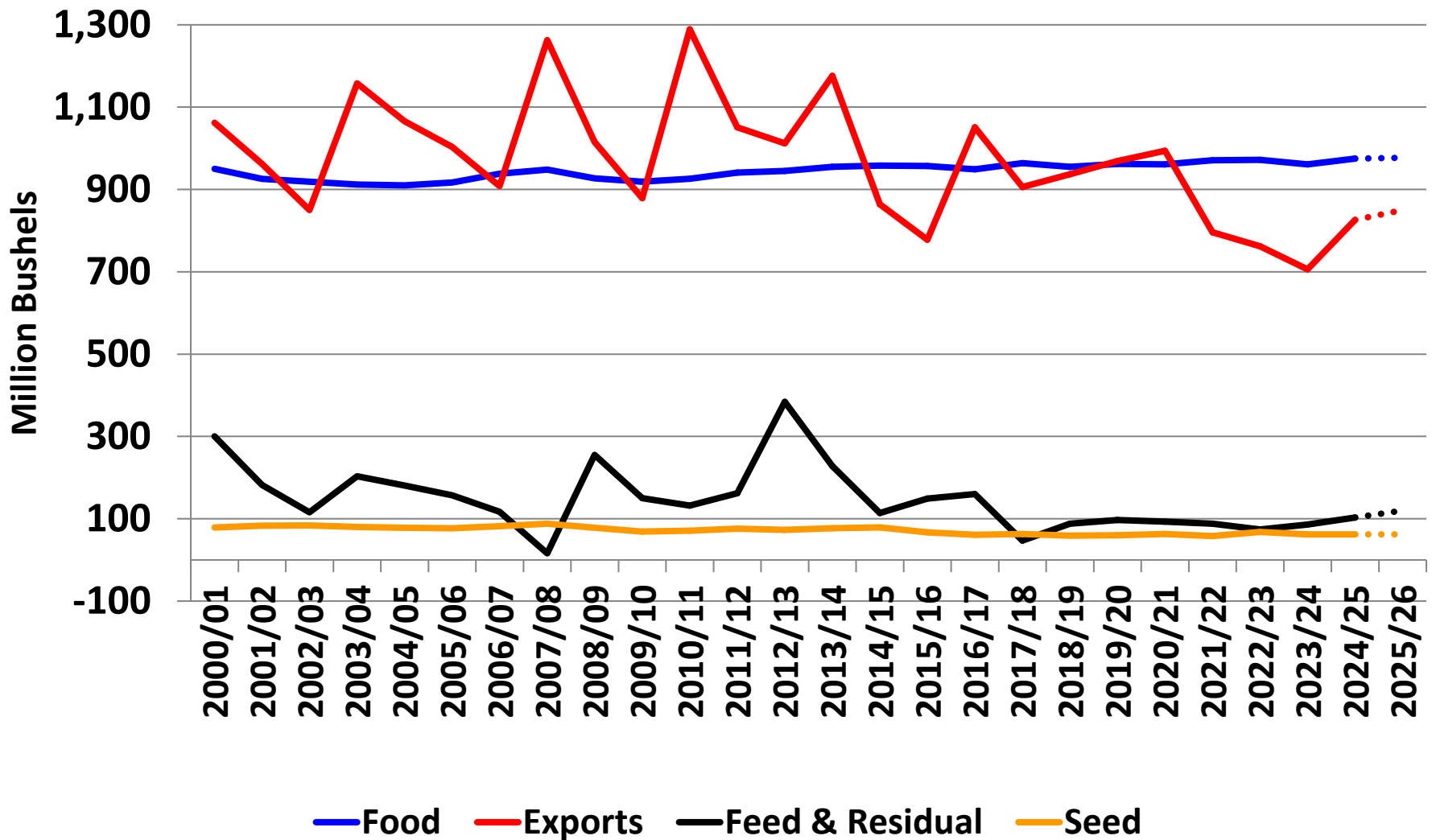


U.S. Soybean Use



U.S. All Wheat Use

(Million Bushels)



WHO BUYS U.S. GRAINS?



U.S. Corn Export Destinations

(1,000 Metric Ton)

Country	Annual Export Sales				Year to Date Export Commitments	
	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2023/24 (07-18-24)	2024/25 (07-17-25)
Mexico	14,818.3	16,689.5	14,826.1	21,722.8	22,022.7	22,838.8
Japan	10,833.9	10,205.1	6,810.5	11,082.0	10,904.4	13,061.8
Colombia	3,950.2	4,393.3	2,433.0	6,323.2	6,120.9	7,461.9
China	21,389.9	14,348.4	7,543.0	2,808.3	2,820.2	32.7
South Korea	3,525.2	1,471.8	817.6	2,405.1	2,345.9	6,149.9
Taiwan	1,434.5	596.4	541.6	1,540.7	1,569.8	2,224.2
ROW	11,005.9	12,059.2	6,497.3	8,395.2	9,258.8	18,340.7
Total	66,957.9	59,763.7	39,469.1	54,277.3	55,042.7	70,110.0

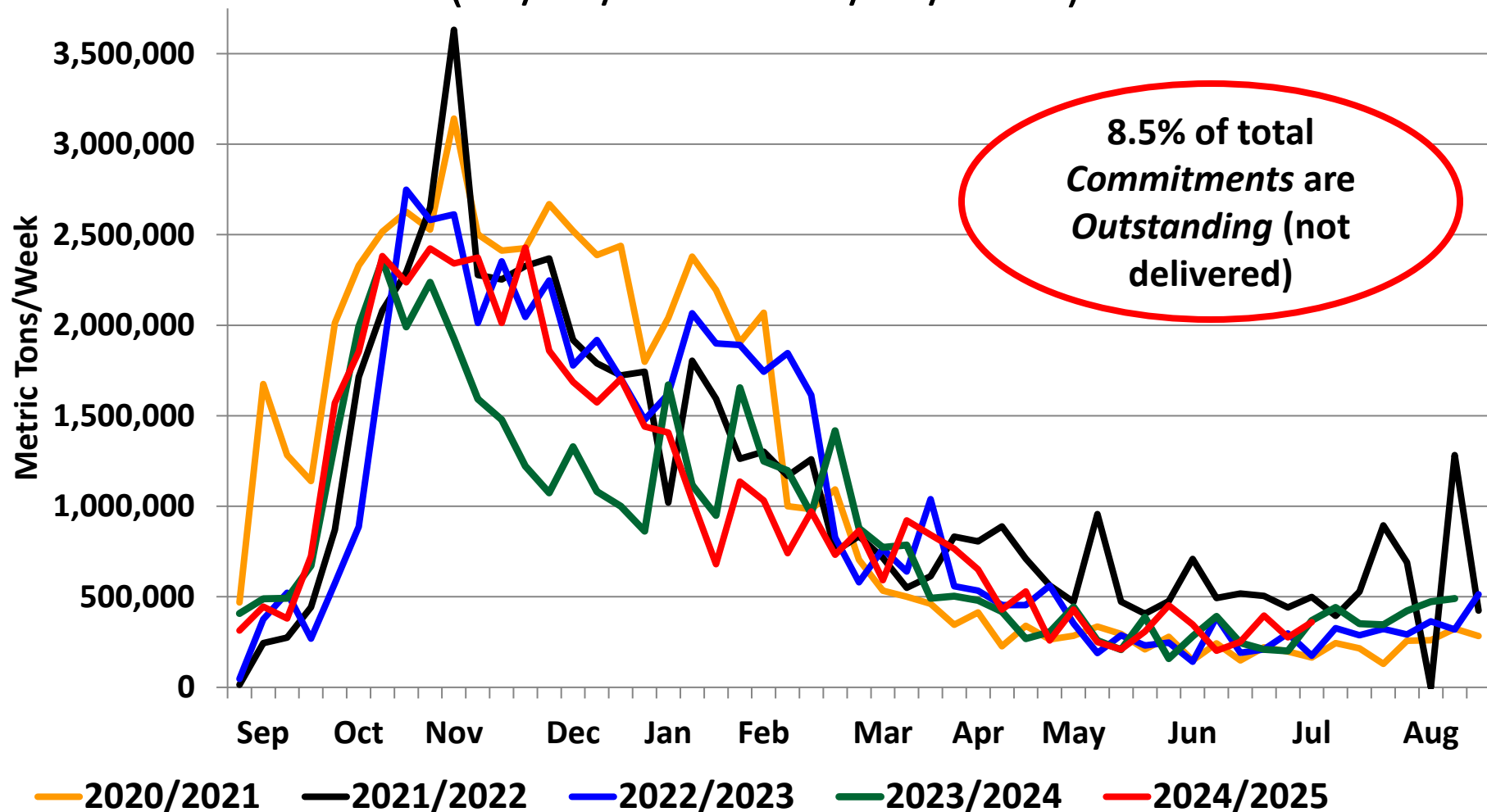
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(1,000 Metric Ton)

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	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2023/24 (07-18-24)	2024/25 (07-17-25)
China	35,363.0	30,219.0	31,380.8	24,306.7	24,416.2	22,478.5
Mexico	4,720.5	5,445.0	4,569.2	4,737.7	4,818.5	5,450.7
Indonesia	2,318.8	1,808.3	1,791.0	2,131.0	2,123.9	1,970.2
Japan	2,133.7	2,412.1	2,249.9	2,031.6	2,36..3	2,053.6
Spain	990.6	1,385.1	1,600.1	1,904.4	1,904.4	1,787.6
Germany	1,186.6	1,411.7	2,180.6	1,687.3	1,234.8	1,369.7
Egypt	2,777.4	4,082.4	1,149.0	1,452.3	1,448.5	3,457.1
ROW	11,079.9	10,425.3	7,286.9	6,259.1	9,192.8	12,241.2
Total	60,570.5	57,188.9	52,207.5	44,510.1	45,139.1	50,808.6

Weekly U.S. SB Export Sales

(09/03/2020 – 07/17/2025)



U.S. All Wheat Export Destinations

(1,000 Metric Ton)

Country	Annual Export Sales				Year to Date Export Commitments	
	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2024/25 (07-18-24)	2025/26 (07-17-25)
Mexico	3,569.9	3,160.5	3,164.6	3,748.8	1,328.1	1,530.3
Philippines	2,638.7	2,032.7	2,809.3	2,575.6	1,054.7	898.3
South Korea	1,228.6	1,241.2	1,353.0	2,427.9	843.7	540.5
Japan	2,353.0	2,059.1	1,961.7	2,115.5	669.9	726.6
Taiwan	922.5	758.8	1,082.4	964.8	343.3	395.6
Thailand	550.9	643.2	462.4	895.8	288.8	232.9
ROW	7,405.3	7,863.0	7,706.9	8,379.0	3,480.4	4,628.2
Total	18,668.9	17,758.5	18,540.3	21,107.4	8,008.9	8,952.4

U.S. HRSW Export Destinations

(1,000 Metric Ton)

Country	Annual Export Sales				Year to Date Export Commitments	
	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2024/25 (07-18-24)	2025/26 (07-17-25)
Philippines	1,447.6	1,133.5	1,613.6	1,254.8	562.1	495.1
Mexico	525.3	756.9	1,010.9	974.1	417.4	423.6
Taiwan	517.5	488.2	661.1	614.3	223.3	150.1
Japan	812.4	605.9	663.8	612.0	195.5	200.5
South Korea	405.8	402.1	492.4	459.2	130.0	128.5
Italy	141.7	156.9	117.1	352.6	194.8	28.7
ROW	1,403.4	1,838.4	1,754.9	2,292.8	1,018.5	1,125.5
Total	5,253.7	5,381.9	6,313.8	6,559.8	2,741.6	2,552.0

U.S. Export Sales for Next MY

(1,000 Metric Ton)

Country	Corn		Soybean	
	2024/25 (07-18-24)	2025/26 (07-17-25)	2024/25 (07-18-24)	2025/26 (07-17-25)
Mexico	3,191.2	3,708.9	378.1	887.4
Japan	738.0	1,111.5	73.2	175.6
China	0.0	0.0	152.5	0.0
Taiwan	29.7	13.0	71.1	68.9
Spain	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
South Korea	0.8	3.0	5.4	0.1
ROW	913.0	1,886.0	2,223.4	1,472.9
Total	4,872.7	6,722.4	2,903.7	2,604.9

CURRENT U.S. TRADE NEGOTIATIONS



Current U.S. Trade Negotiations

- **China** – Mutually agreed to reduce tariffs for 90 days, which ends on August 12, 2025.
 - U.S. and Chinese trade officials met in Stockholm.
 - Negotiating a “framework” for trade agreement.
 - U.S. imports of Chinese products = 55%
 - 10% baseline “reciprocal” tariffs.
 - 20% fentanyl trafficking tariffs.
 - 25% for pre-existing tariffs from Pres. Trump’s first term.
 - Chinese imports of U.S. products = added 10%
 - Chinese export restrictions on rare earth minerals and magnetic curbs were eliminated.

Current U.S. Trade Negotiations

- **Japan** – Framework for trade agreement was reached. U.S. imposed additional **15%** tariff on all Japanese imports, including autos.
 - **South Korea** - Framework for trade agreement was reached. U.S. imposed additional **15%** tariff on all Korean imports, including autos.
 - **Philippines** - Framework for trade agreement was reached. U.S. imposed additional **19%** tariff on all Philippine imports.
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Current U.S. Trade Negotiations

- **Indonesia** – Framework for trade agreement was reached. U.S. imposed additional **19%** tariff on all imports from Indonesia.
 - **Mexico** – **30%** tariffs on all non-USMCA Mexican products and 50% on steel/aluminum. Mexico has not retaliated against ag.
 - **Canada** – **35%** tariffs on all non-USMCA Canadian products in place, with 10% on crude oil and 50% on steel/aluminum. Canada has retaliated on selected items, including ag. Discussions ongoing.
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Current U.S. Trade Negotiations

- **United Kingdom** – Trade agreement has been updated.
 - Allows easier access for U.S. ethanol and beef with continued talks on other industrial and ag products.
 - Specifies standards for intellectual property, labor and environmental issues.
 - Tariff rate quotas on autos, with first 100,000 vehicles per year at 10% and rest at 25%.
 - Agreement on steel and aluminum continue.
 - 125% UK tariffs on poultry, dairy and some meats will continue.

Current U.S. Trade Negotiations

- **European Union** – **15%** tariff on all imported products, with 50% on steel/aluminum. Beef, rice, ethanol, sugar and poultry not included.
 - **India** – Current proposal is **25%** tariff on all imported products. Agriculture is key sticking point. Talks continue.
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Current U.S. Trade Negotiations

- **Other countries negotiating:**

- Australia
- Columbia
- Singapore
- Turkey
- Thailand
- Israel
- Guatemala
- Panama
- Honduras
- Costa Rica

- **Other countries negotiating:**

- Bahrain
- Oman
- Algeria
- El Salvador
- Nicaragua
- Chile
- Jordan
- Morocco
- Peru
- Dominican Republic

CURRENT U.S. FUTURES PRICES



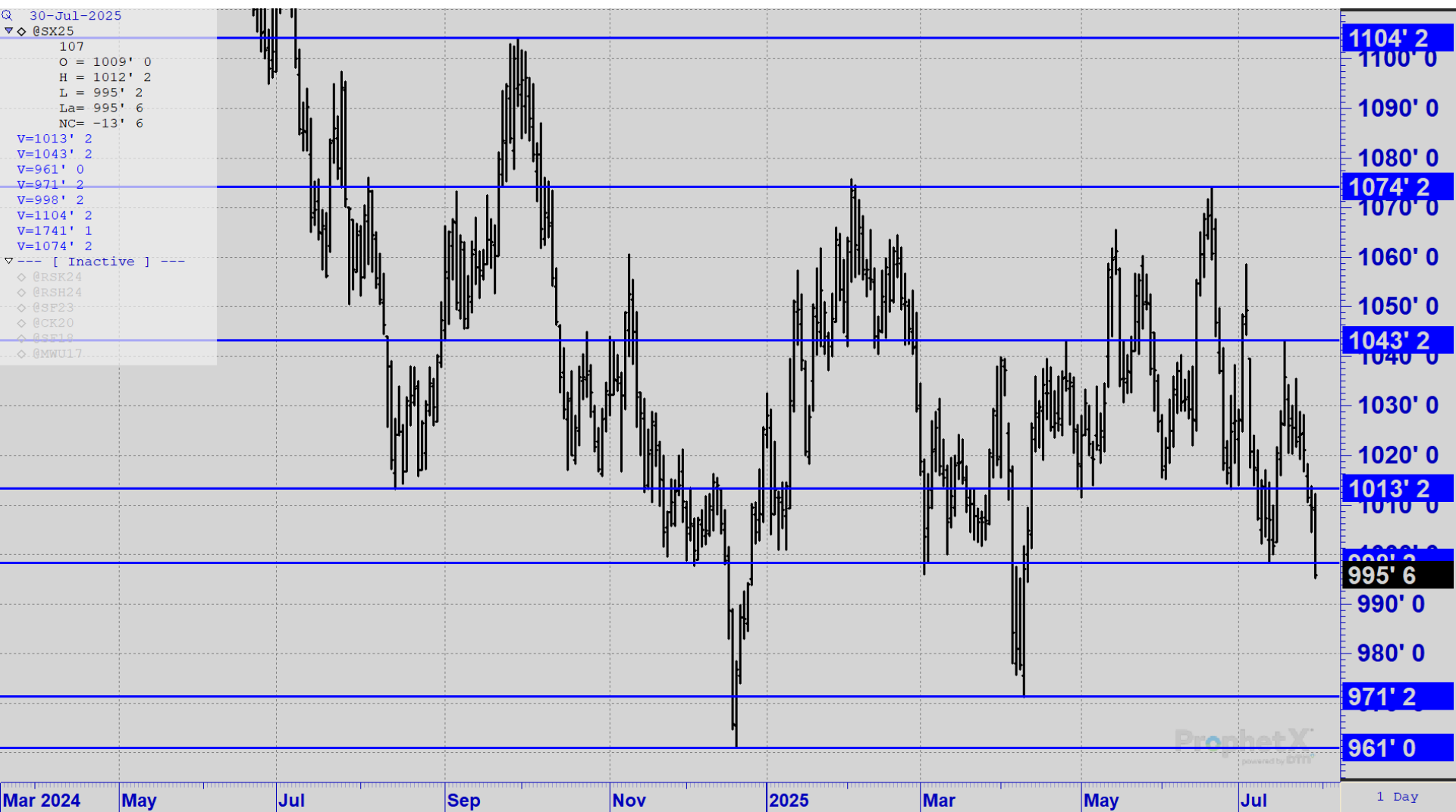
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CBOT Nearby Corn Futures Prices



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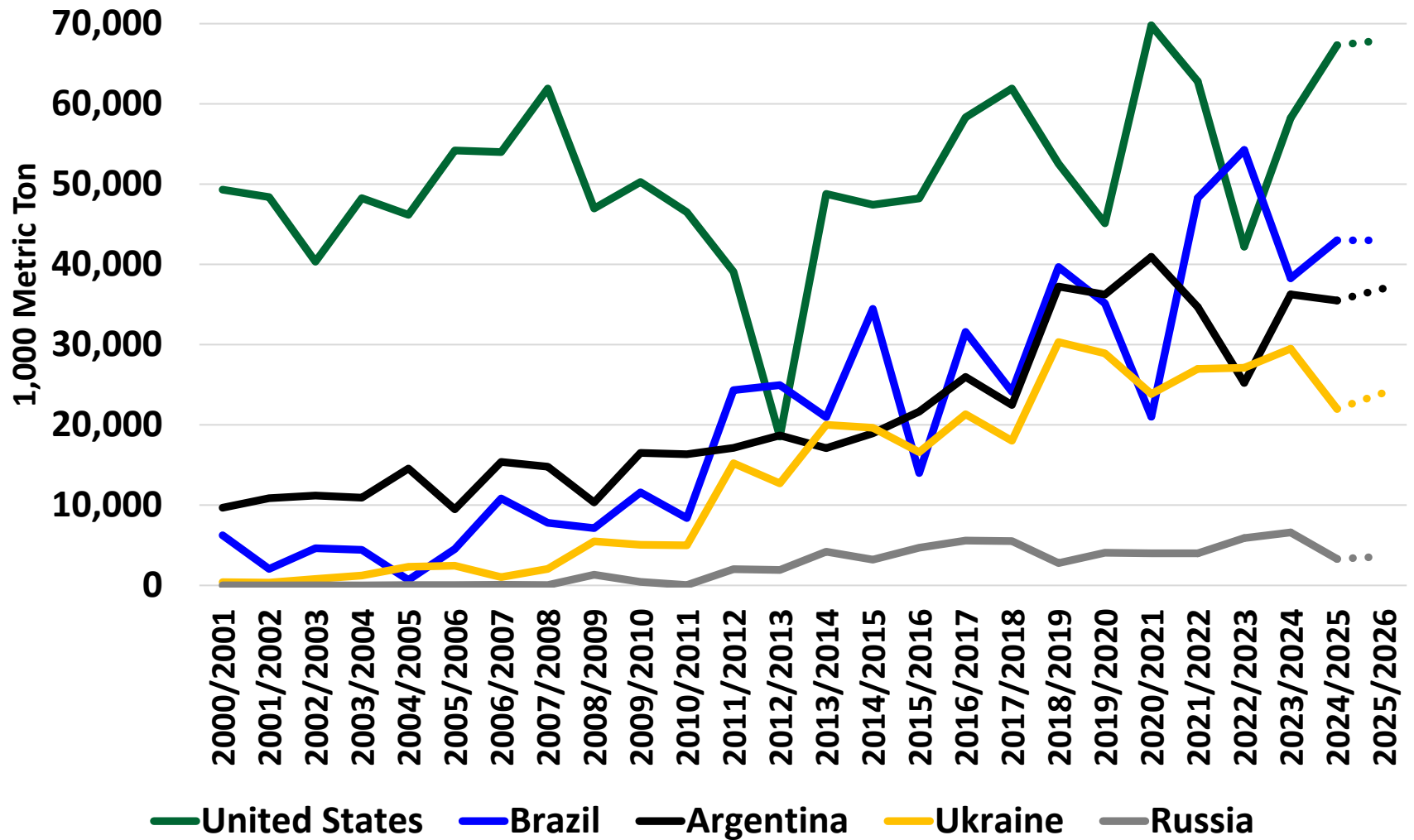
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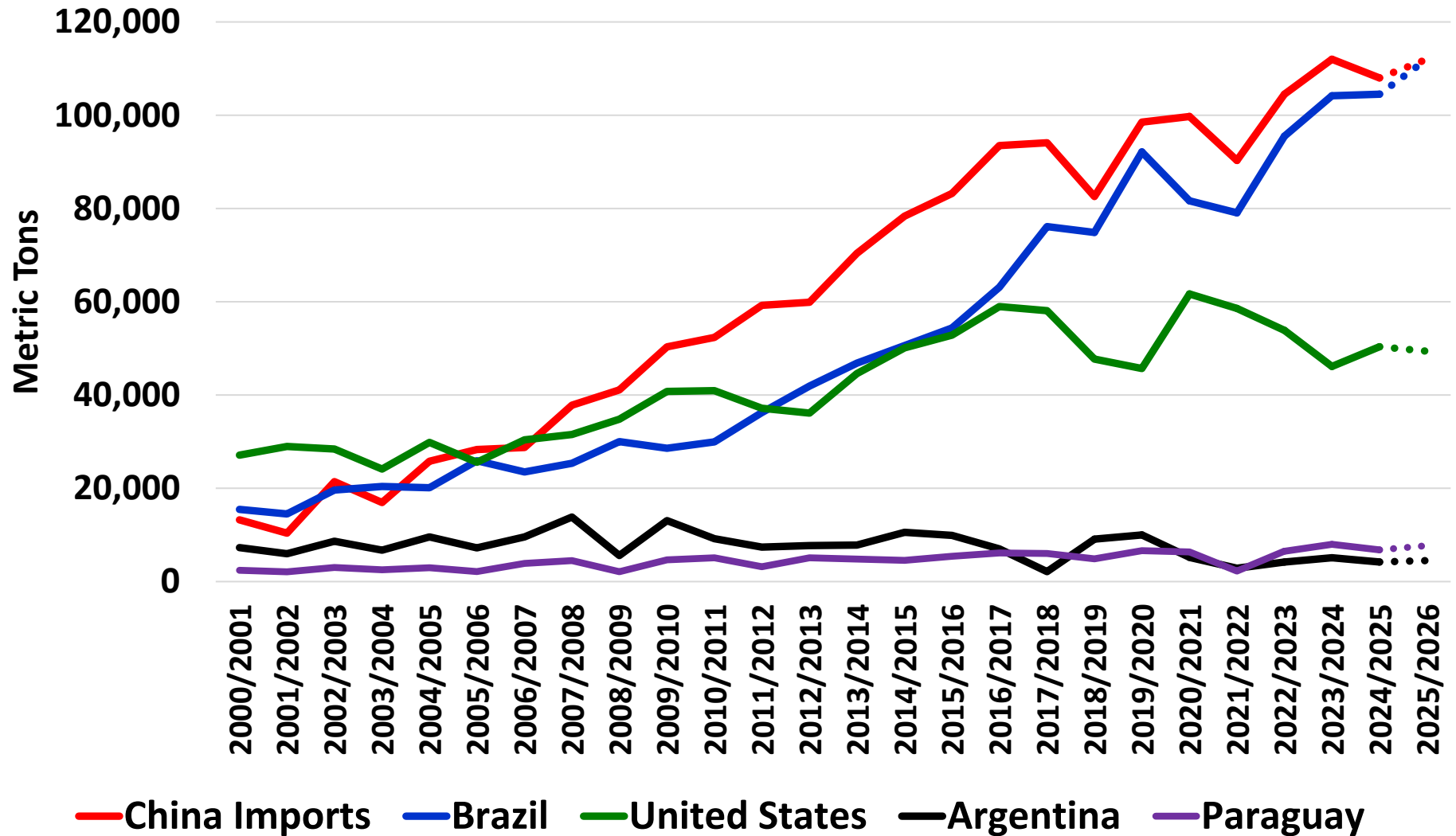
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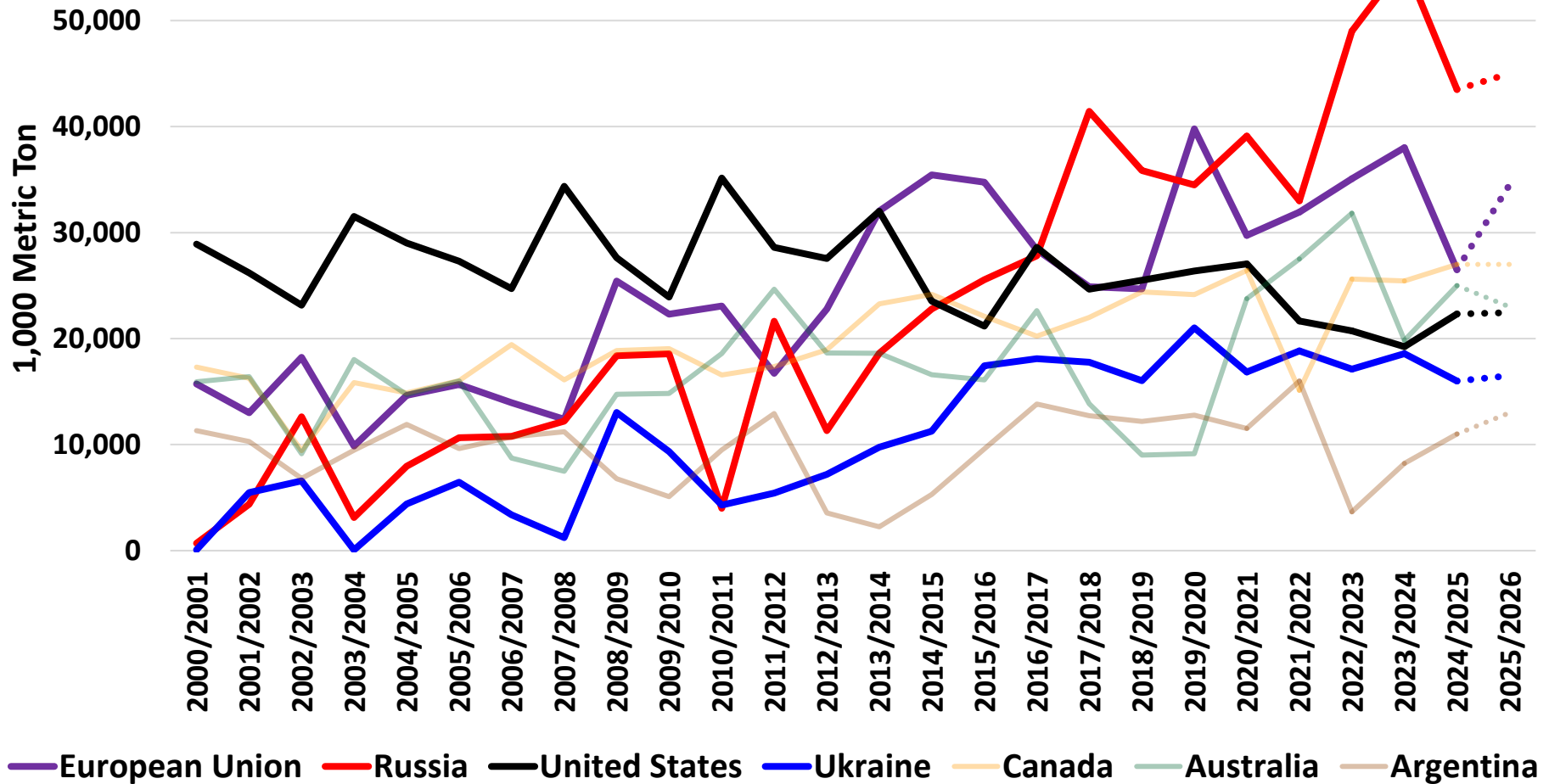
Major World Corn Exporters



Soybean Exports (Imports)

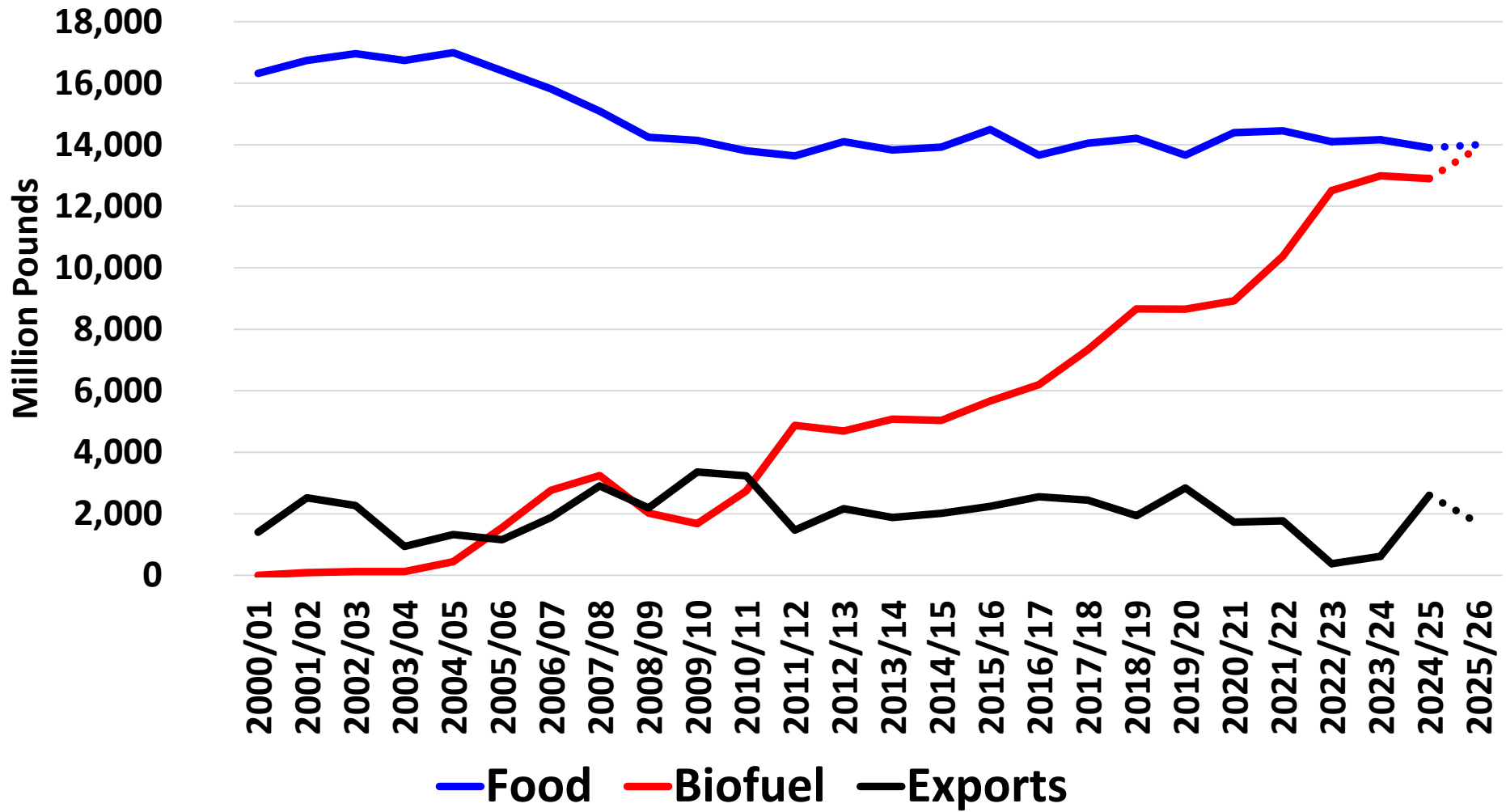


Major World Wheat Exporters



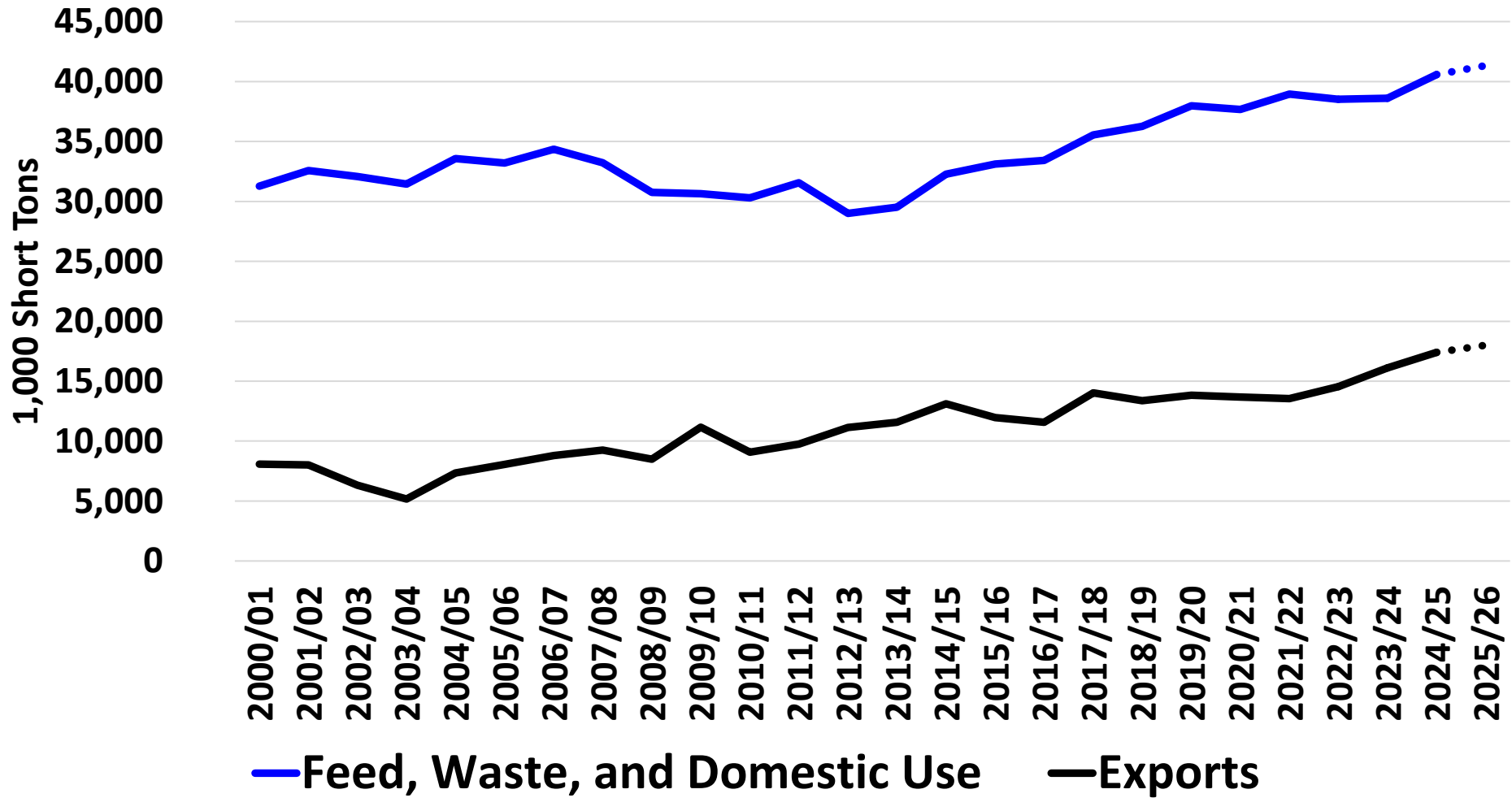
U.S. Soybean Oil Use

(Million Pounds)



U.S. Soybean Meal Use

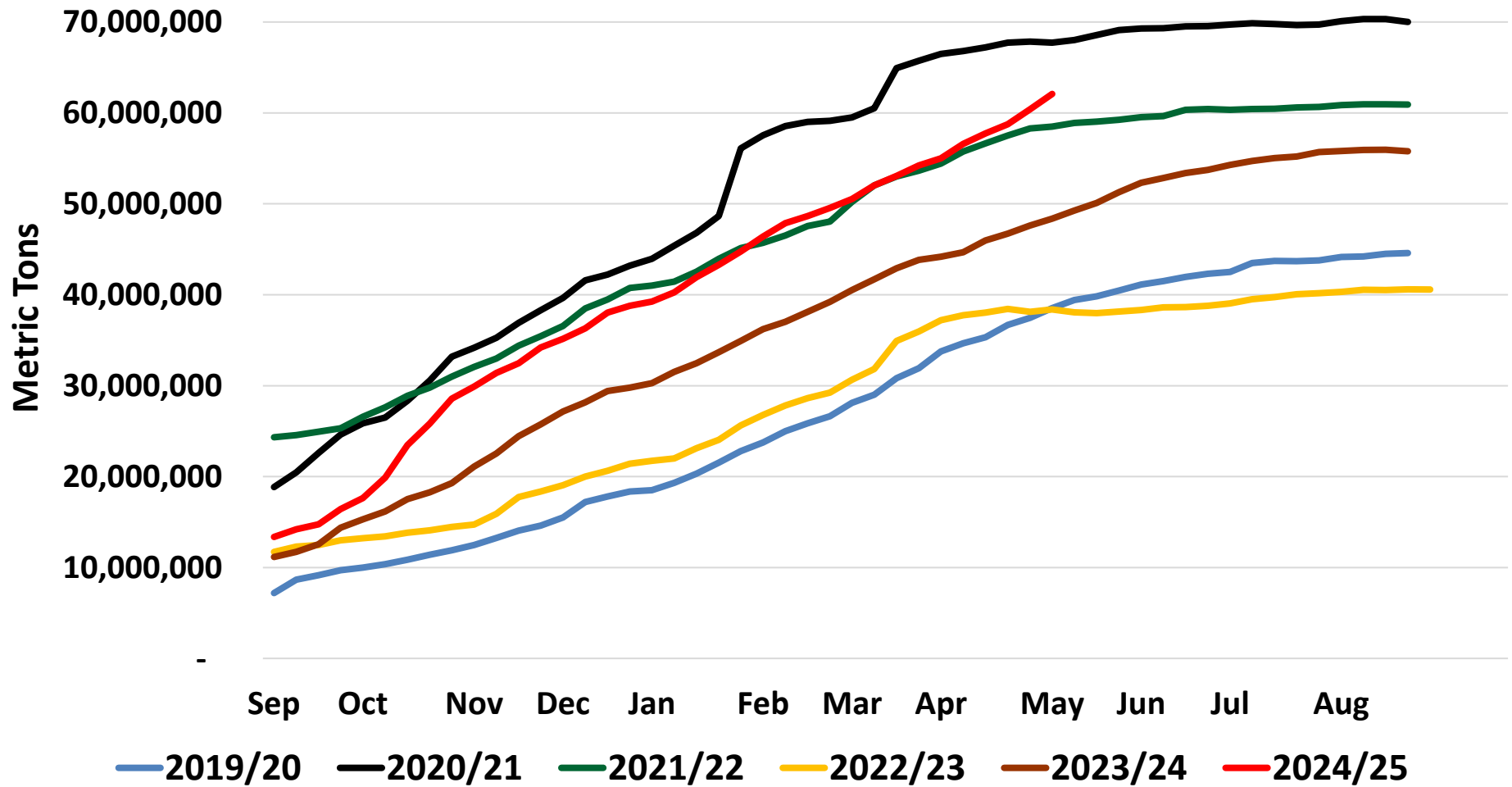
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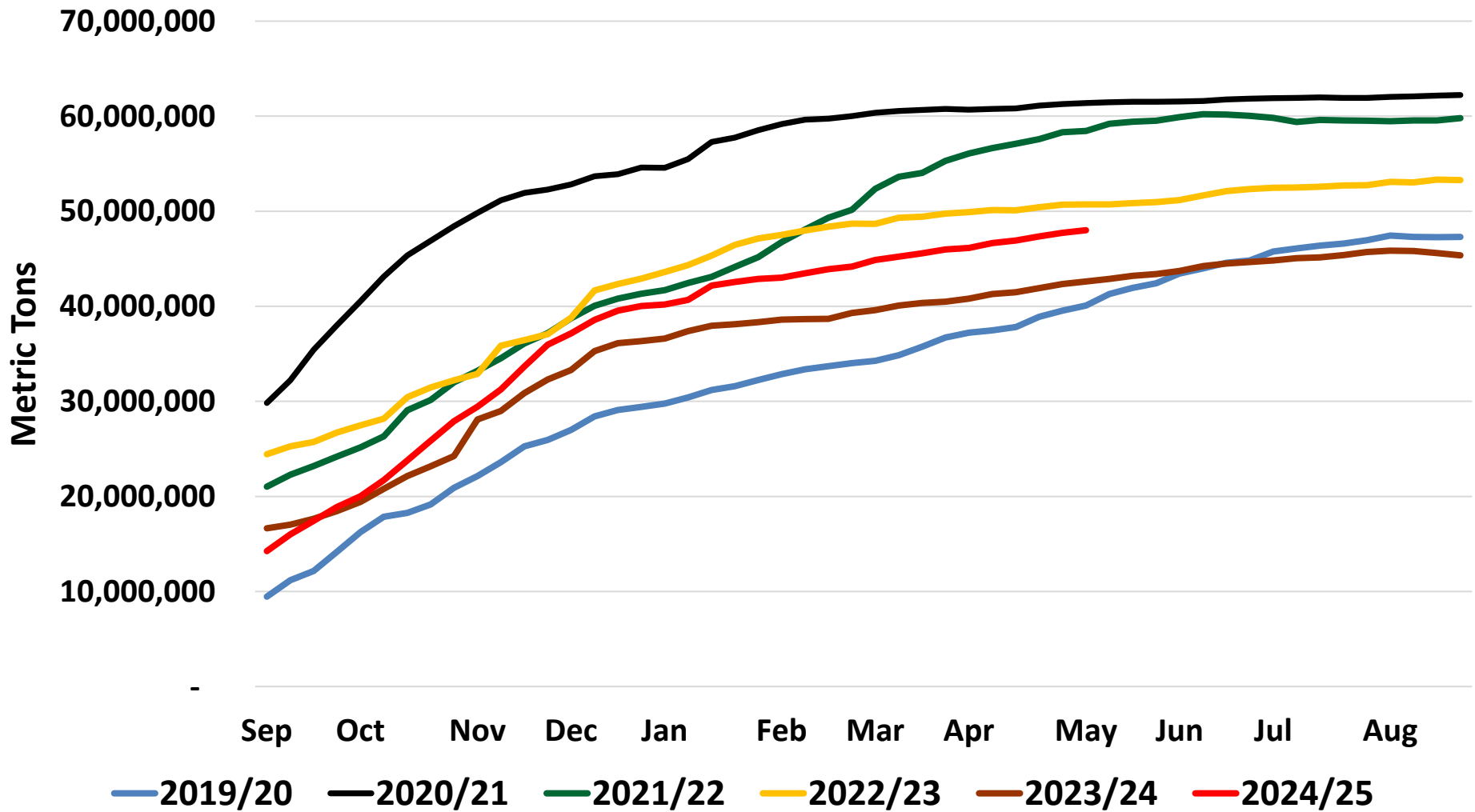
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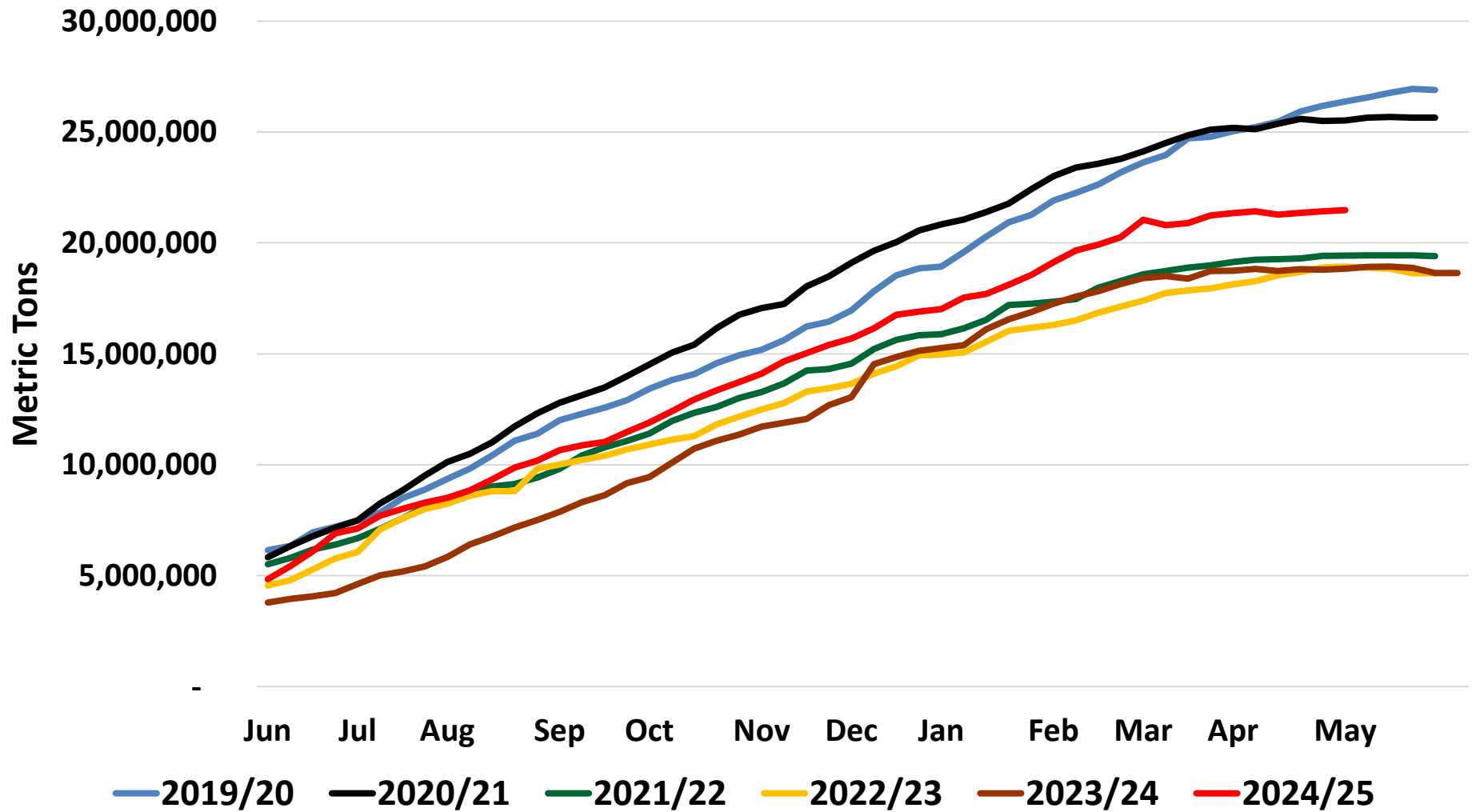
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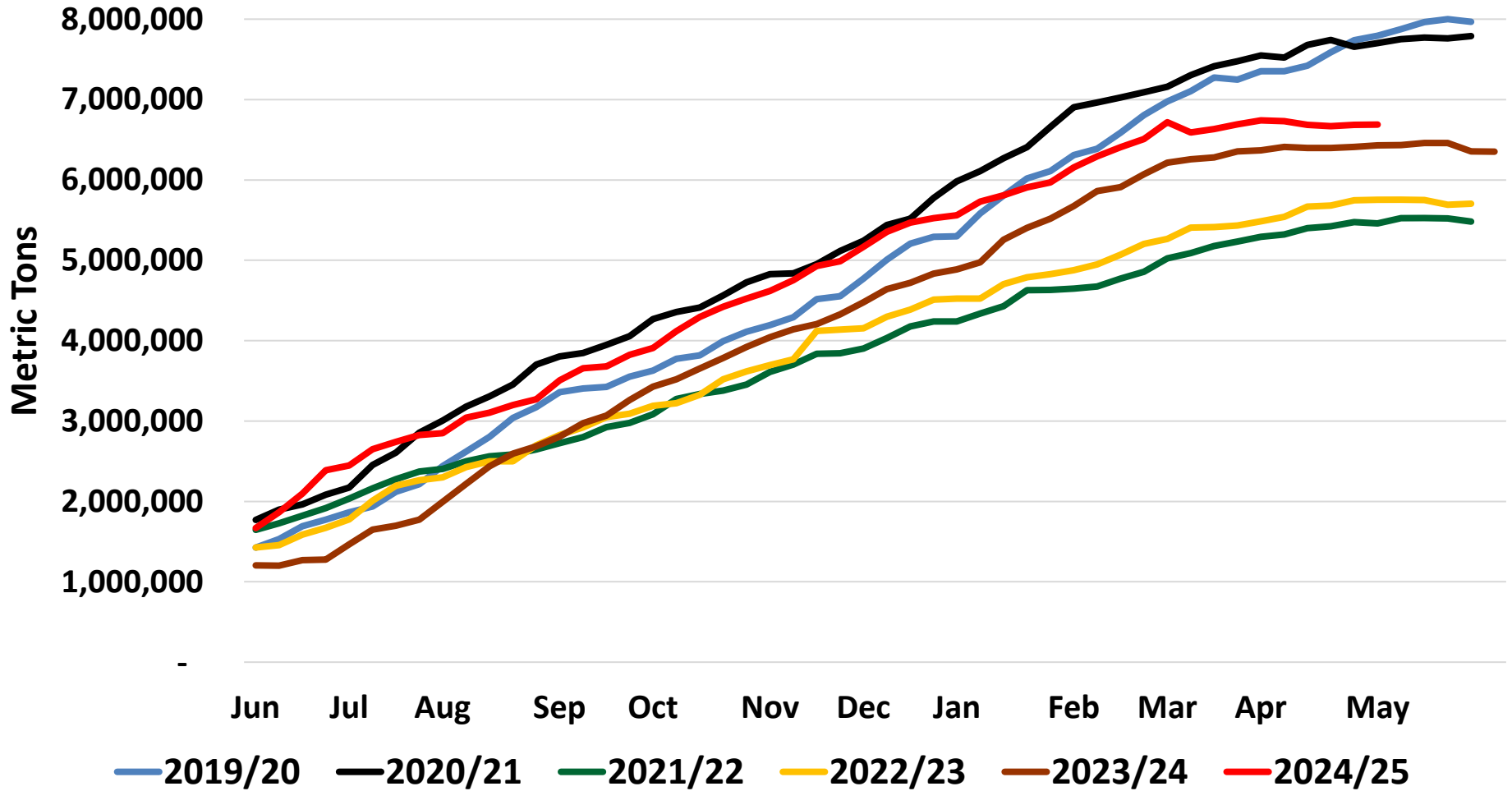
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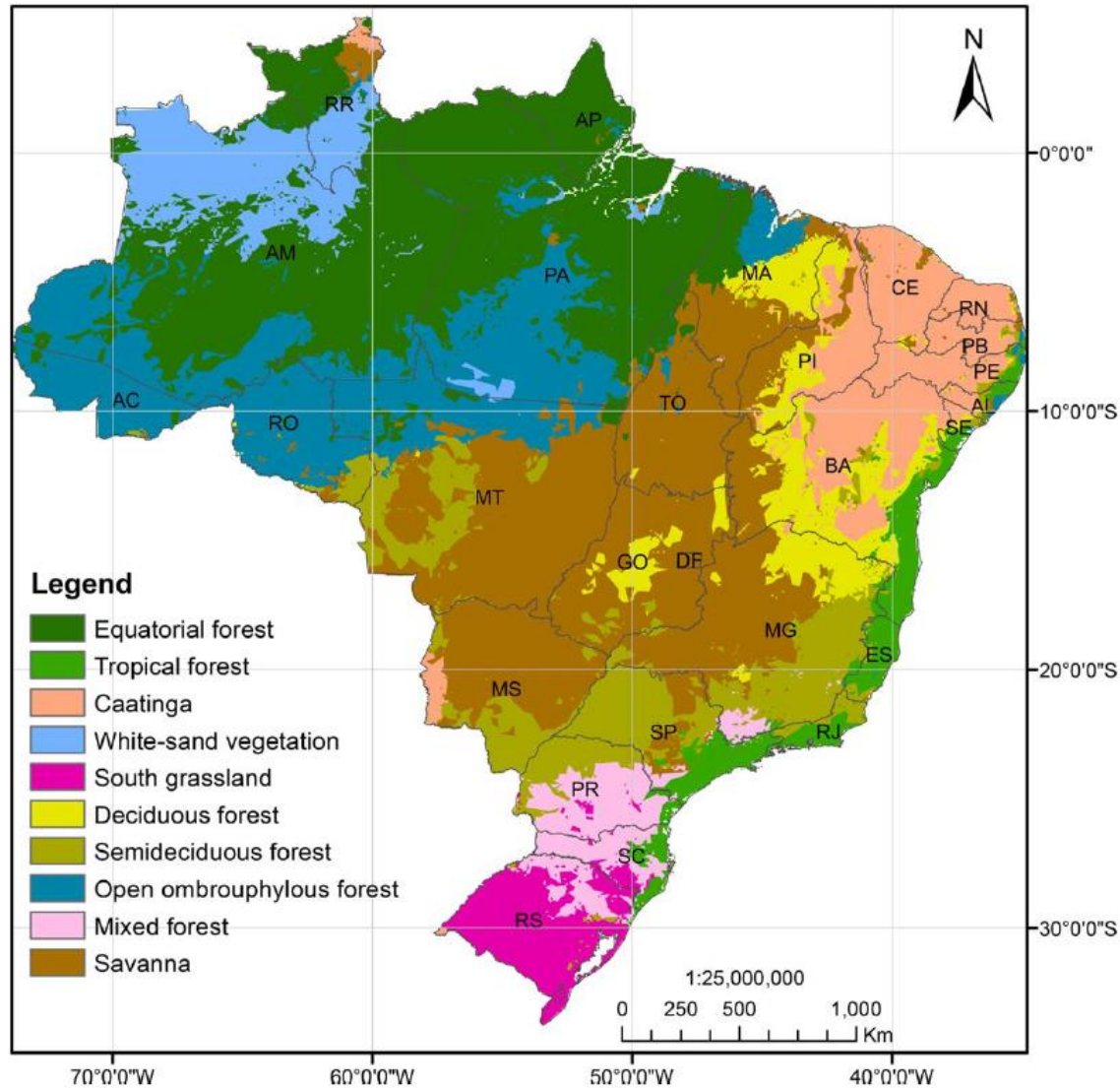
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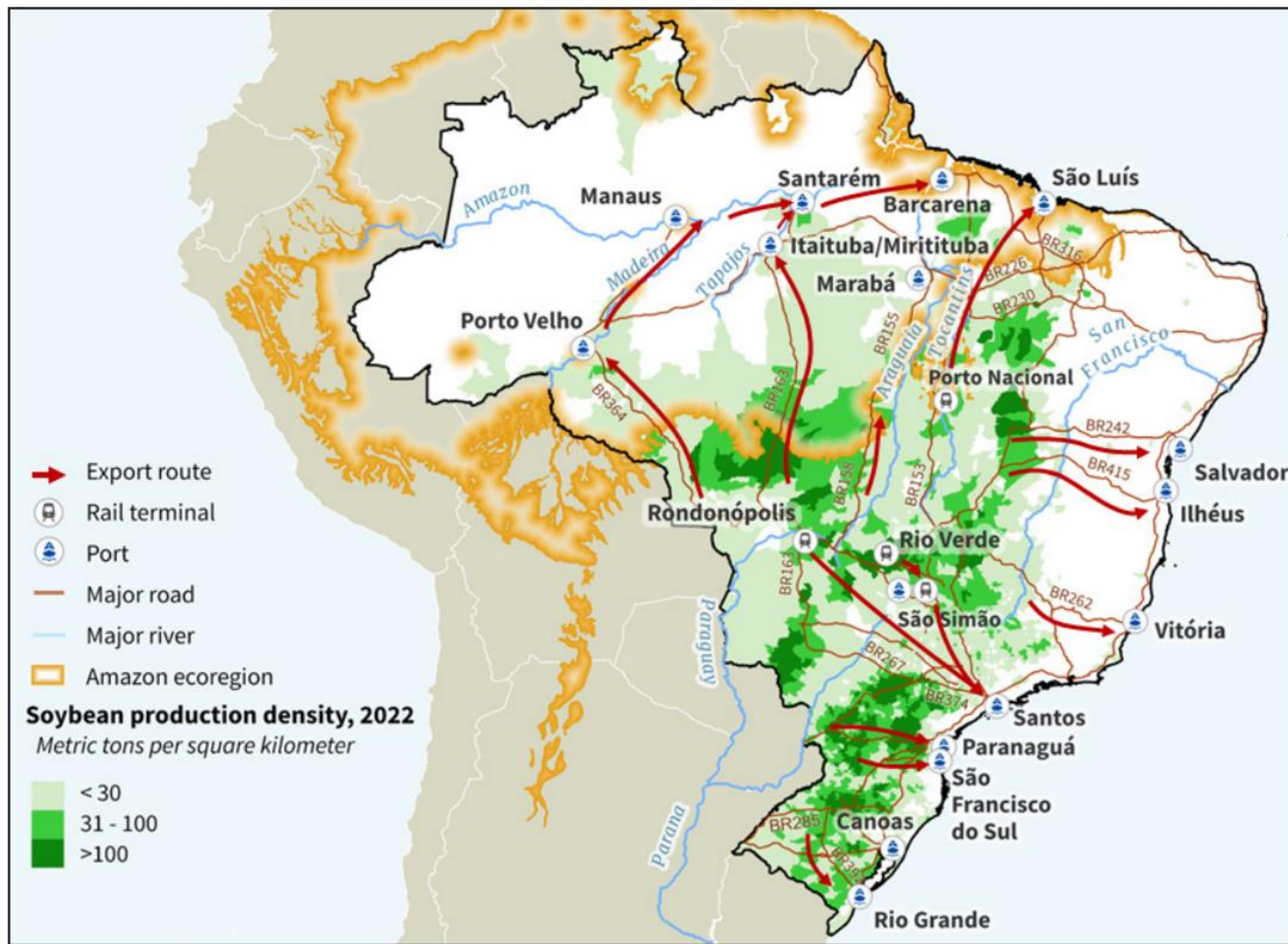
U.S. HRS Wheat Export Pace



Brazilian Vegetation Zones



Brazilian Soybean Export Flows



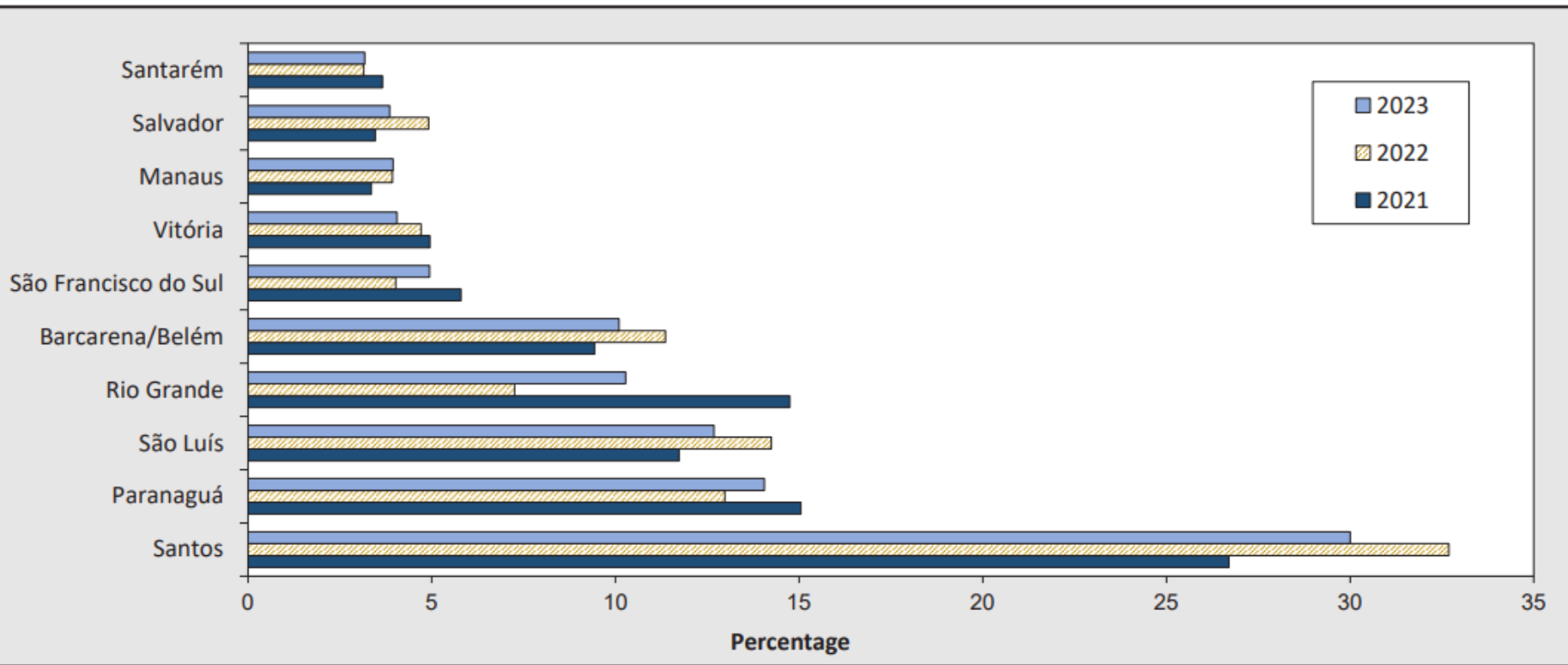
Brazilian Soybean Export Flows

Brazil soybean exports: 2023



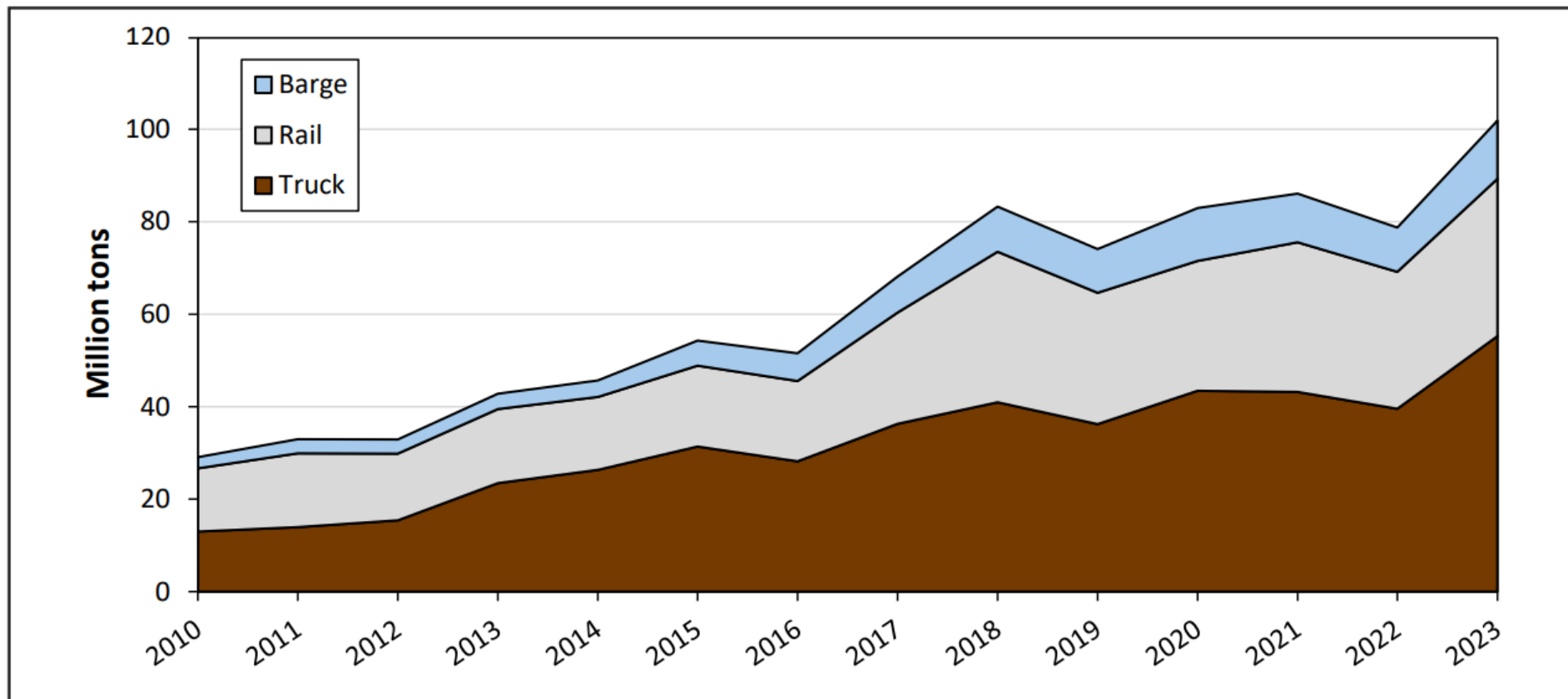
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Brazilian soybean exports by port, 2021-23

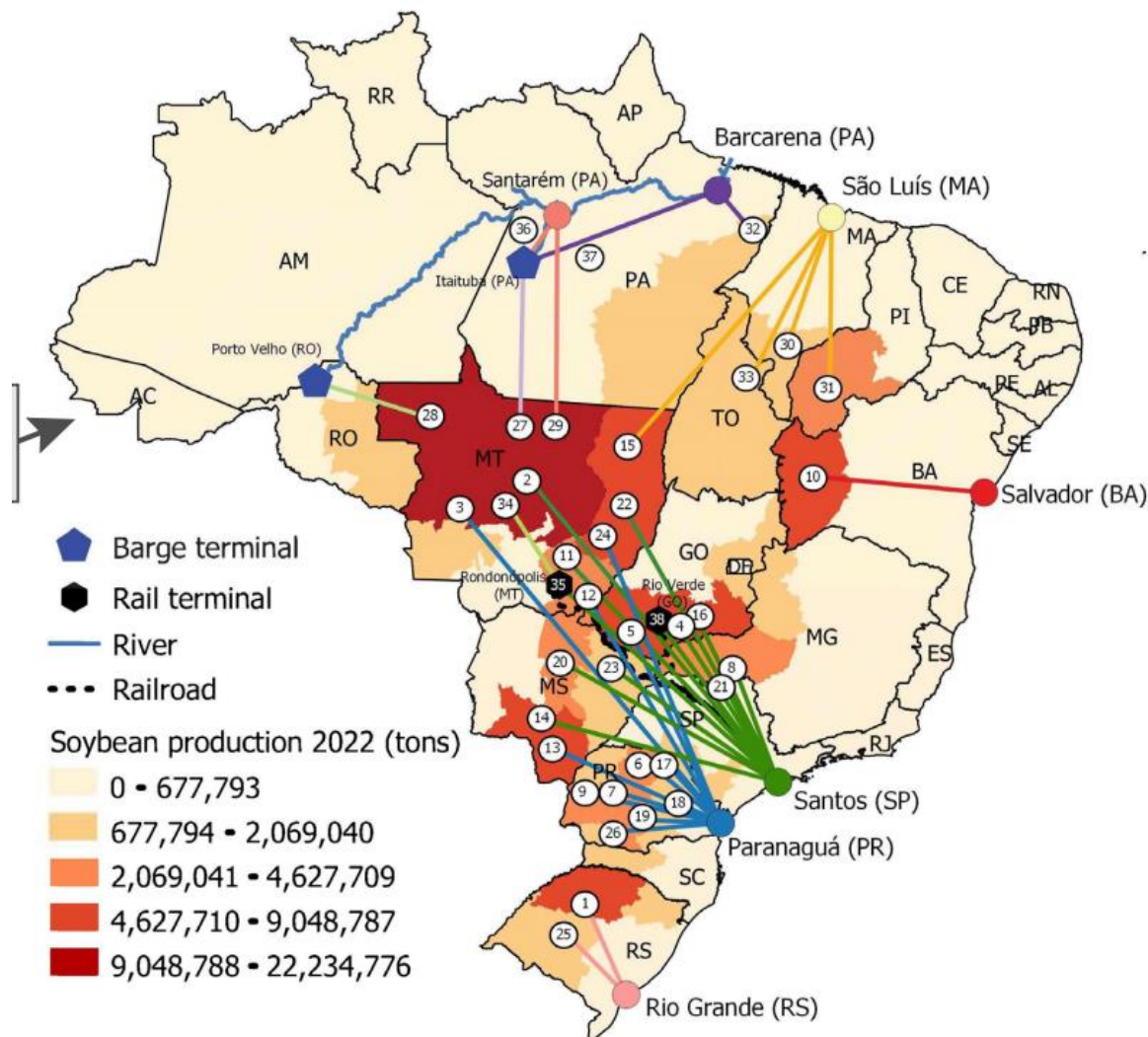


Brazilian Soybean Export Flows

Figure 1c. Brazilian soybean export modal shares, mt, 2010-23



Brazilian Soybean Export Flows



Brazilian Rail System



Brazilian Rail System

Brazilian rail system: gauge sizes

Unlike in North America, which uses a standard gauge (distance between two rails), the Brazilian gauge system varies by region, creating difficulty in integrating rail movements across the country. There are three types of gauges: metric (39"), broad (63"), and mixed (39" - 63"). The metric gauge accounts for 76 percent of total Brazilian rail miles and predominates in the Southern region. The broad gauge accounts for 22 percent of total railroads and prevails in the Southeast region, leaving about 2 percent as mixed gauge.