

Impacts of CI Scoring on the Food, Feed, and Fuel Industries

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NORTH AMERICAN RENDERERS ASSOCIATION

- Founded in 1933
- Represent over 95% of rendering in U.S. and Canada
 - Packer renderers
 - Independent renderers
- Headquartered in Alexandria, VA
- Offices in Hong Kong and Mexico City
- Market consultants in Brussels, China, Thailand, Vietnam, and Chile



Outline

- **Why?**
- **What is being done?**
- **Impacts?**
- **Outlook**

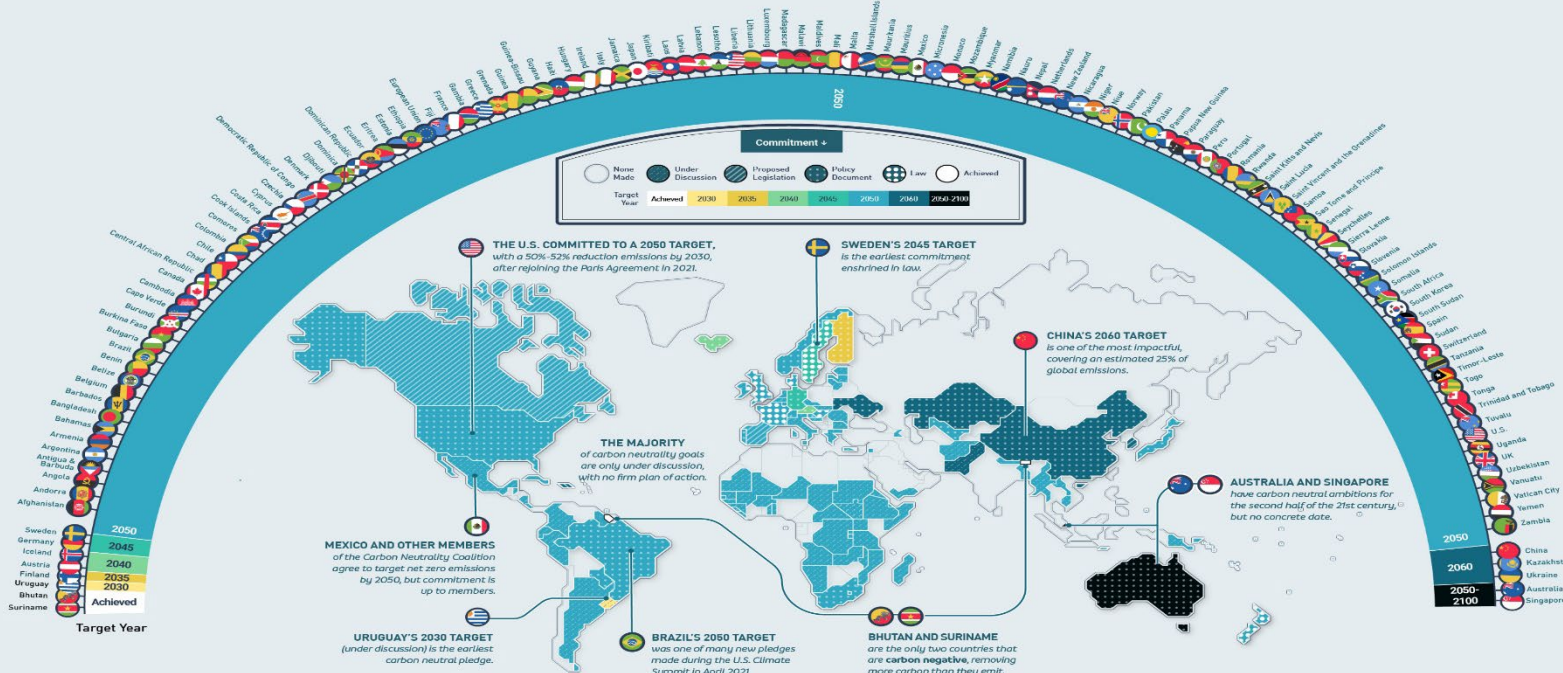


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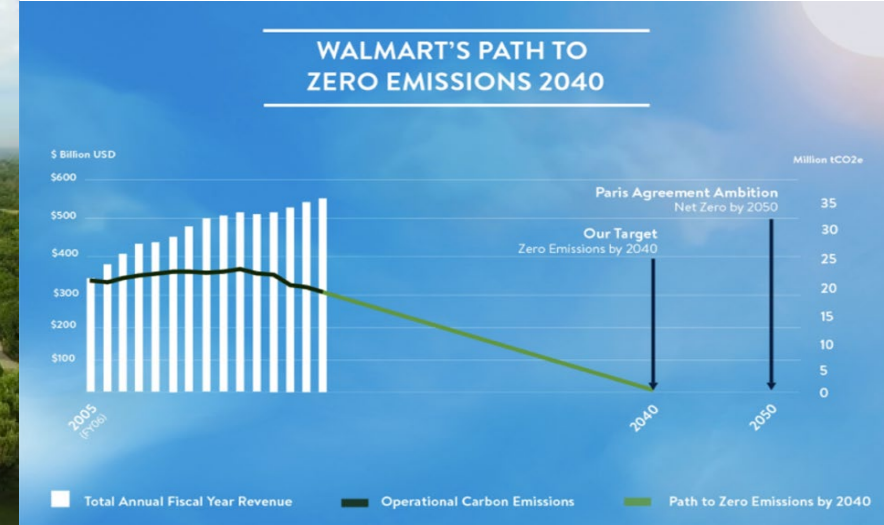
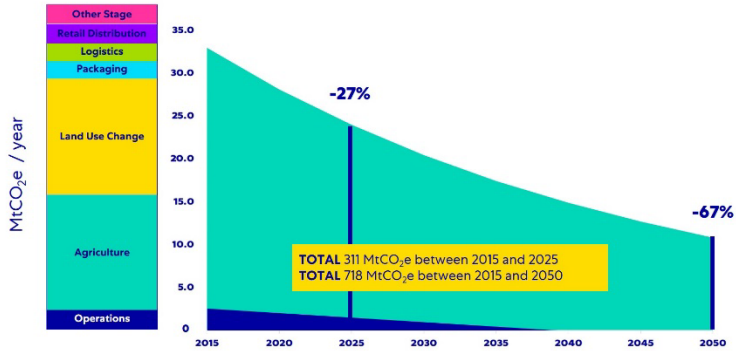
RACE TO NET ZERO CARBON NEUTRAL GOALS BY COUNTRY

Which countries have made a carbon neutral pledge?
This map breaks down pledges by target year and level of commitment.



MARS

GLIDEPATH FOR GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) EMISSION REDUCTION TARGETS



Nestlé Targets

**50%
emissions
reduction
by 2030**



**REDUCE
YOUR
CARBON
FOOT
PRINT**




McDonald's Climate Action

McDonald's target is to make a **31% reduction in emissions intensity** across our supply chain by 2030



Major U.S. Airline Agreements for Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF)



Airline	SAF Commitment	SAF Producer	SAF Pathway
American Airlines 	620 million gallons from 2025 to 2030	Gevo	Alcohol to Jet; ethanol feedstock
 DELTA	525 million gallons from 2026 to 2032	Gevo	Alcohol to Jet; ethanol feedstock
jetBlue [®]	670 million gallons from 2023 to 2033	SG Preston	HEFA; vegetable and waste oils feedstock
Southwest [®]	219 million gallons from 2026 to 2041	Velocys	Fischer-Tropsch; syngas feedstock
 UNITED AIRLINES	1.5 billion gallons by 2041	Alder Fuels	Biomass to crude oil; forest and crop waste feedstock

Source: March 2023 U.S. Government Accountability Office report, airline press releases

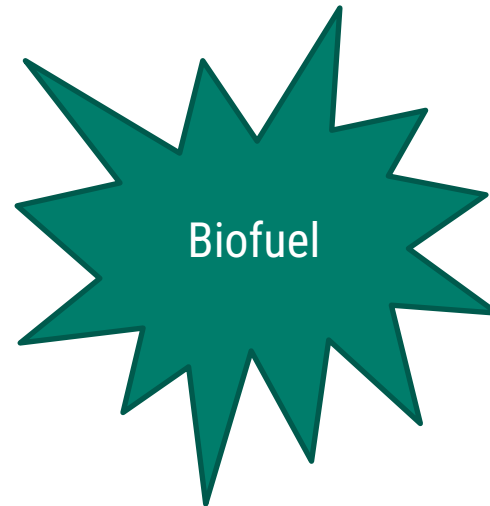
DELTA FLIGHT TO NET ZERO

FLY NET-ZERO
2050

How airlines use data to improve fuel efficiency



What is being done?



Biomass-Based Diesel Renewable Fuel Programs

**Renewable Fuel Standard
(RFS) - US**

**Low Carbon Fuel Standard
(LCFS) - California**



2 Programs Incentivize Biodiesel/Renewable Diesel Production/Use

- **Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) - US**
 - RFS sets fuel volumes
 - Biomass Based Diesel must show 50% reduction in GHG as compared to petroleum diesel
- **Low Carbon Fuel Standard - California**
 - LCFS sets carbon volumes
 - Incentivizes carbon reduction



Inflation Reduction Act

- **2023-2024 Blenders Tax Credit Reauthorized**

- **BD/RD \$1.00/gallon**

- **SAF**

- **Base \$1.25/gallon**

- **Top \$1.75/gallon**

- **2025-2027 Producers Tax Credit**

- **BD/RD**

- **Base \$.20/gallon**

- **Top \$1.00/gallon**

- **SAF**

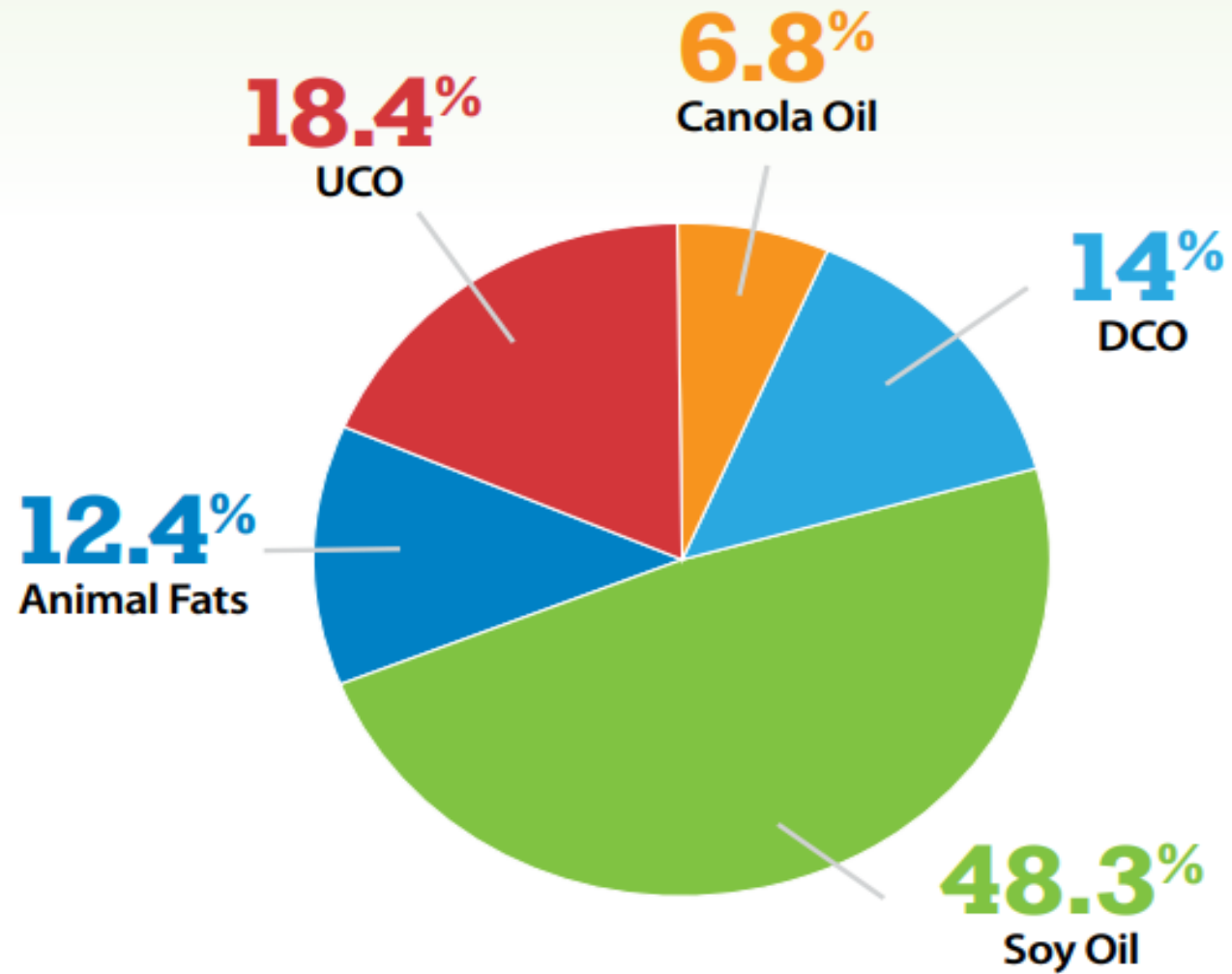
- **Base \$.35/gallon**

- **Top \$1.75/gallon**

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Biomass-based Diesel Feedstocks (2021)



Source: Clean Fuels Alliance America, Annual Report 2022





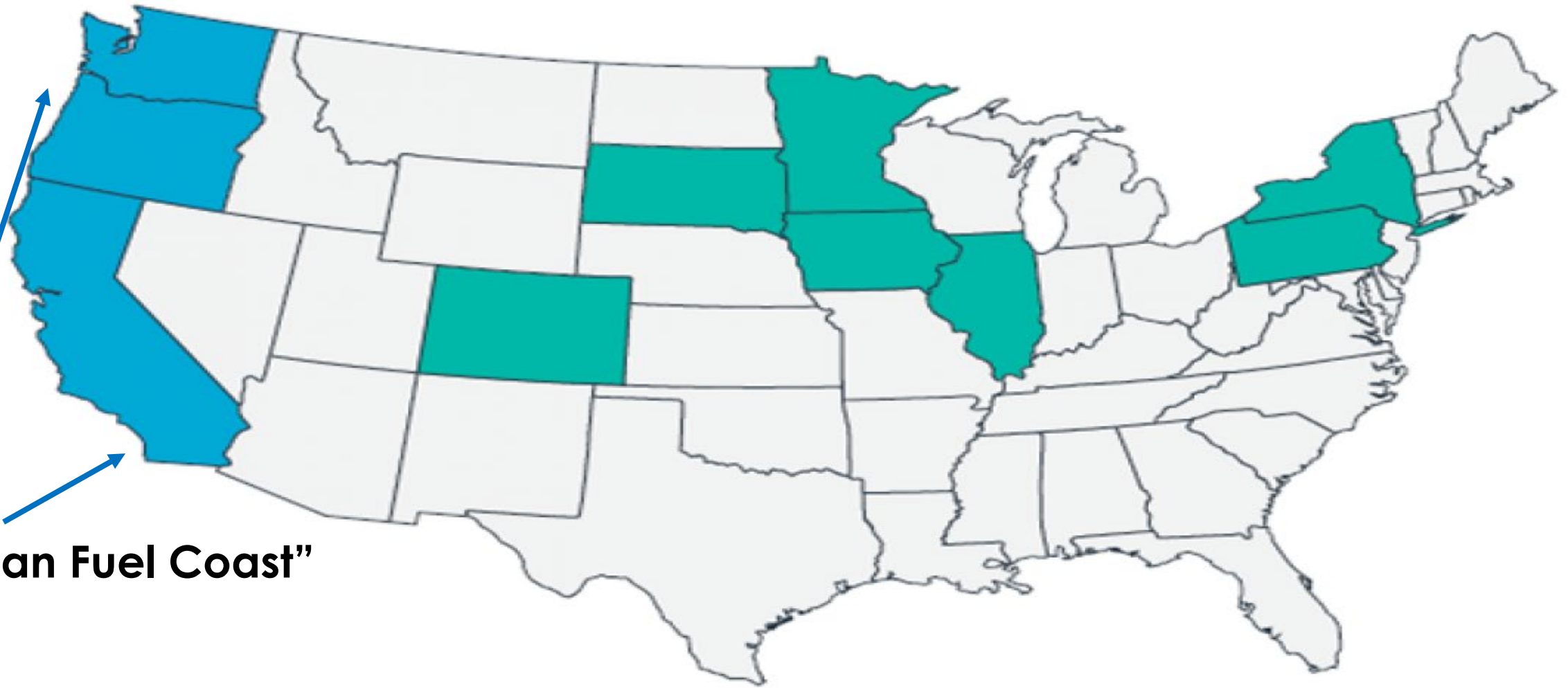
LCFS

Source: Biomass Magazine



Exhibit 1: U.S. states with LCFS and those that are considering LCFS

■ States with LCFS (CA, OR, WA) ■ States considering LCFS (CO, IA, IL, MN, NY, PA, SD)

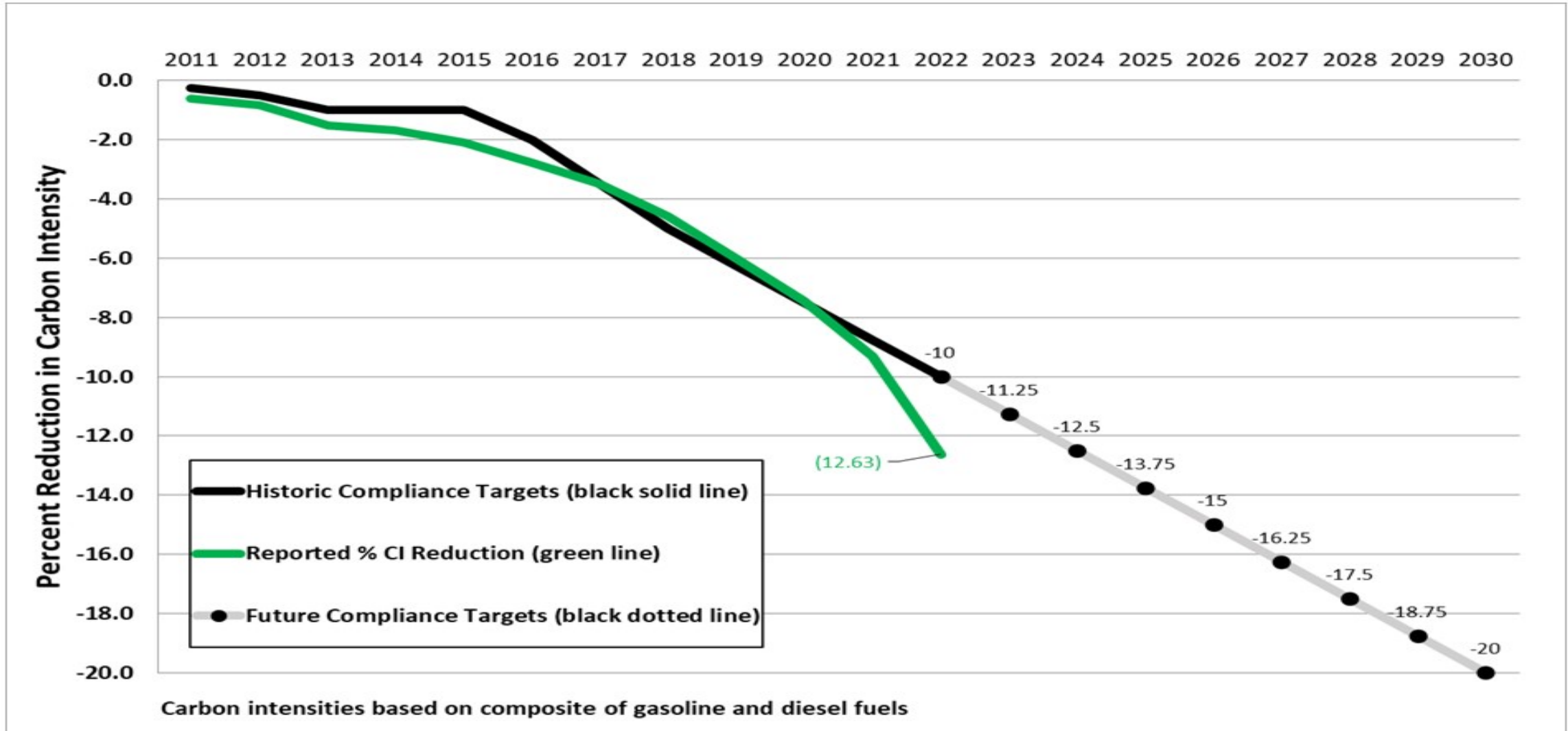


“Clean Fuel Coast”

Source: Westchester analysis



2011-2022 Performance of the Low Carbon Fuel Standard



Last Updated 04/28/23



California Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) Carbon Intensity (CI) Scores (gCO₂e/MJ)

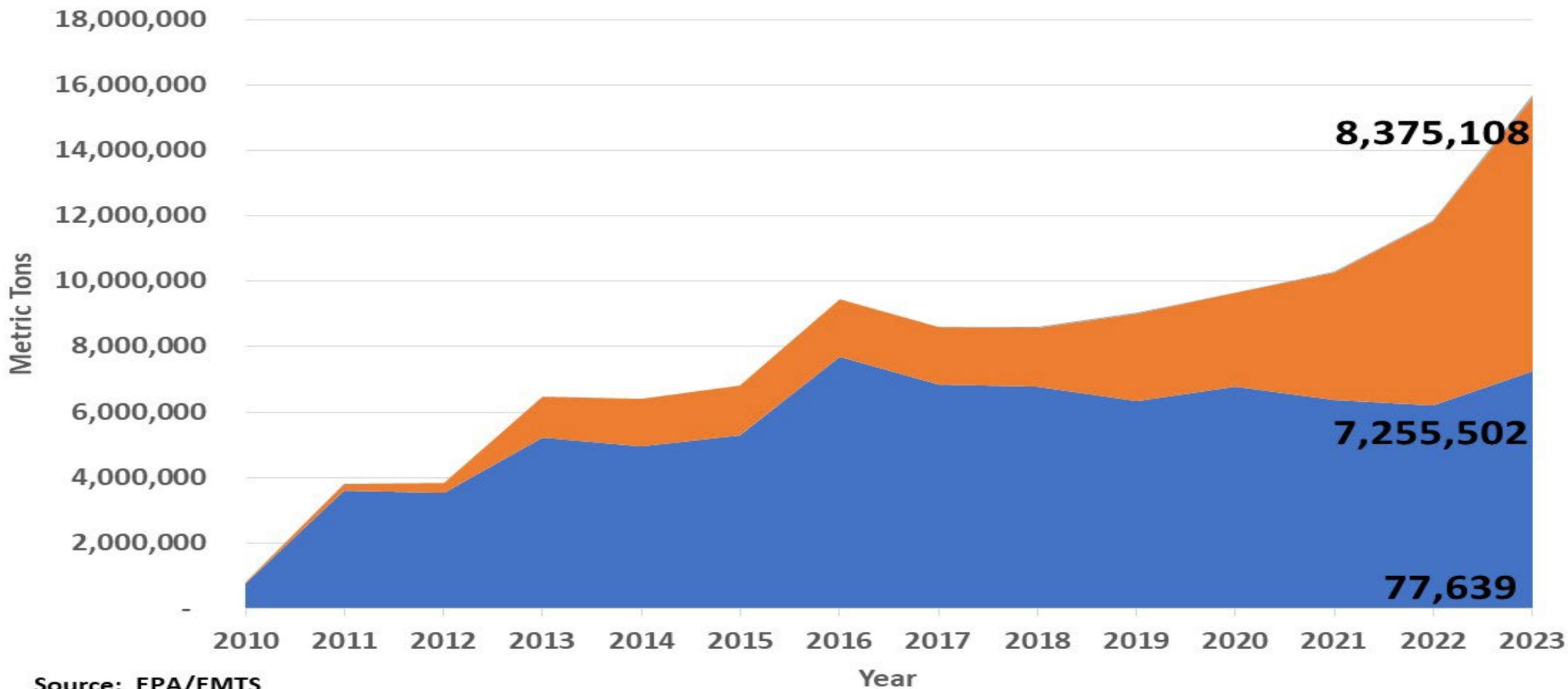
California Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) Carbon Intensity Scores (gCO₂e/MJ)			
Biodiesel Feedstock		Renewable Diesel Feedstock	
<u>North America</u>		<u>North America</u>	
Tallow	34.46	Tallow	36.29
Used Cooking Oil (UCO)	20.16	Used Cooking Oil (UCO)	20.84
Distillers Corn Oil	29.55	Distillers Corn Oil	32.80
Soy Oil	54.23	Soy Oil	55.22
Canola Oil	53.36	<u>Singapore</u>	
		Tallow	36.22
		UCO Global	21.25
		UCO Asian	16.89

Source: NARA Derived from - California Air Resources Board (CARB);
<https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/resources/documents/lcfs-pathway-certified-carbon-intensities>



US Biodiesel and Renewable Diesel Production 2010-2023 (metric tons)

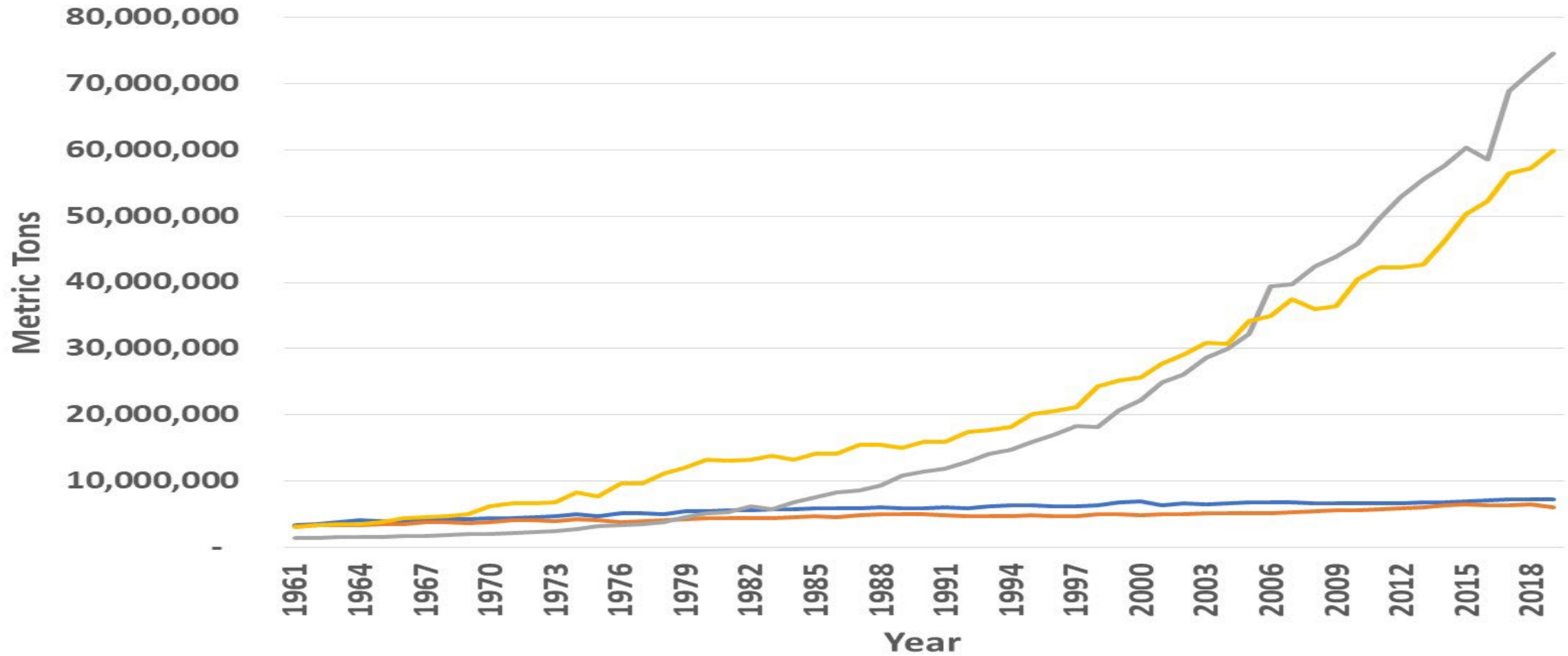
■ Biodiesel ■ Renewable Diesel ■ SAF



Source: EPA/EMTS

Global Fat & Oil Production 1961-2019

— Tallow — Lard — Palm Oil — Soybean Oil



Source: FAO Stat



What is being done?



Food, Feed, Pet Food

RENDERING COMBATS **CLIMATE CHANGE**

Rendering protects the environment from high greenhouse gas emissions of other disposal methods. It reduces the environmental impacts of animal agriculture by sequestering 5 times more greenhouse gases than are produced.

This is equal to removing **18.5 million** cars off the road each year.

If all renderable products were sent to landfills, all available space would be gone in **4 years.**



WHAT IF THERE WAS NO RENDERING?

WITH RENDERING

WITHOUT RENDERING



Reduced food waste



Roughly 50% of each meat animal wasted



62 billion pounds of food waste diverted from landfills



All U.S. landfills full in 4 years



3.7 billion gallons of clean water reclaimed and returned to rivers and streams



Wasted water: not cleaned or returned to waterways & contaminated water if animal leftovers sent to landfill



Fewer greenhouse gas emissions (5 times more GHGs sequestered than produced)



Lost environmental benefits for animal agriculture (less GHG reduction)



Lower carbon emissions from biodiesel and renewable diesel (80% less than petroleum diesel)



Increased carbon emissions from less environmentally friendly fuels



Research Published



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Data for the Carbon Footprinting of Rendering Operations

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REVIEW

REVIEW: Comparison of 3 alternatives for large-scale processing of animal carcasses and meat by-products

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How agricultural rendering supports sustainability and assists livestock's ability to contribute more than just food

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Research





Life Cycle Analyses

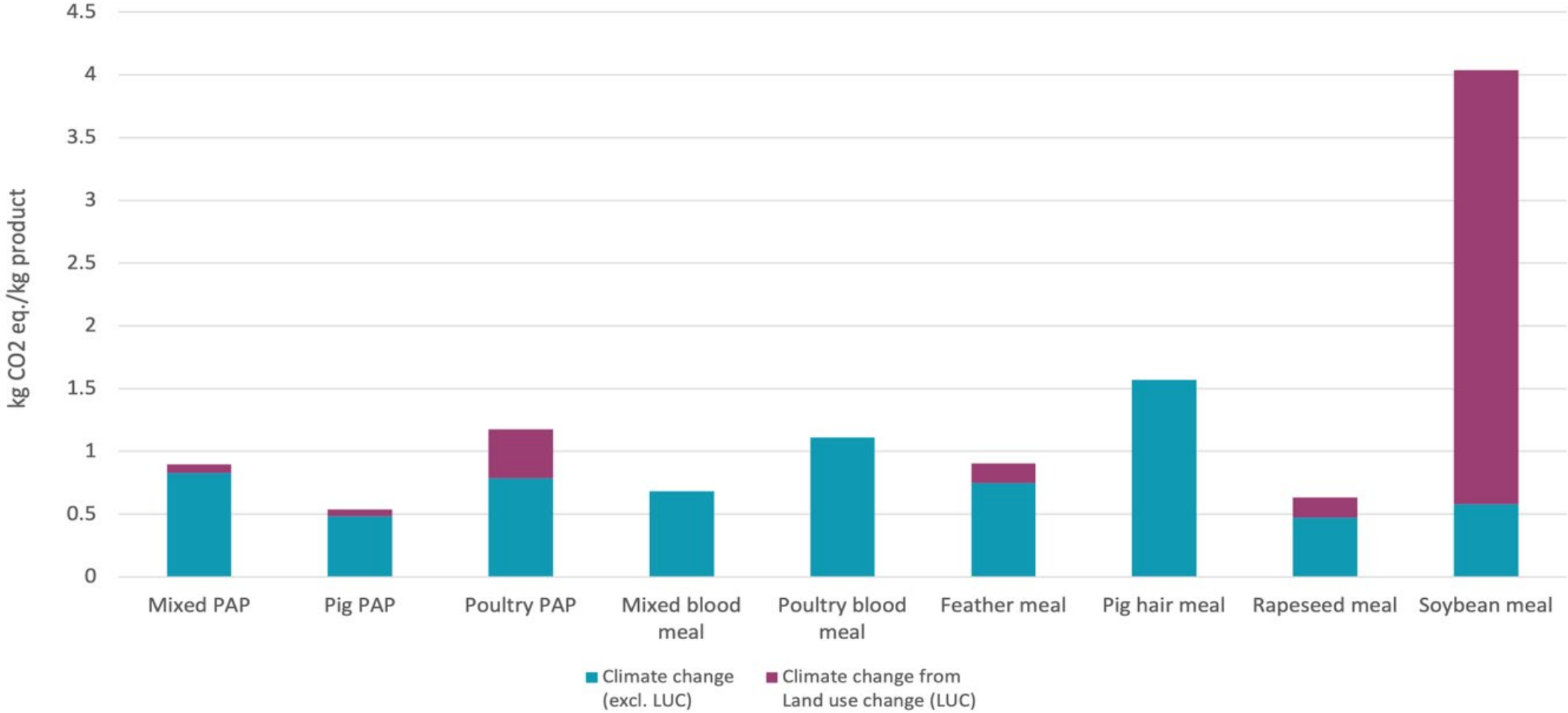


Support global improvement of sustainable feed.

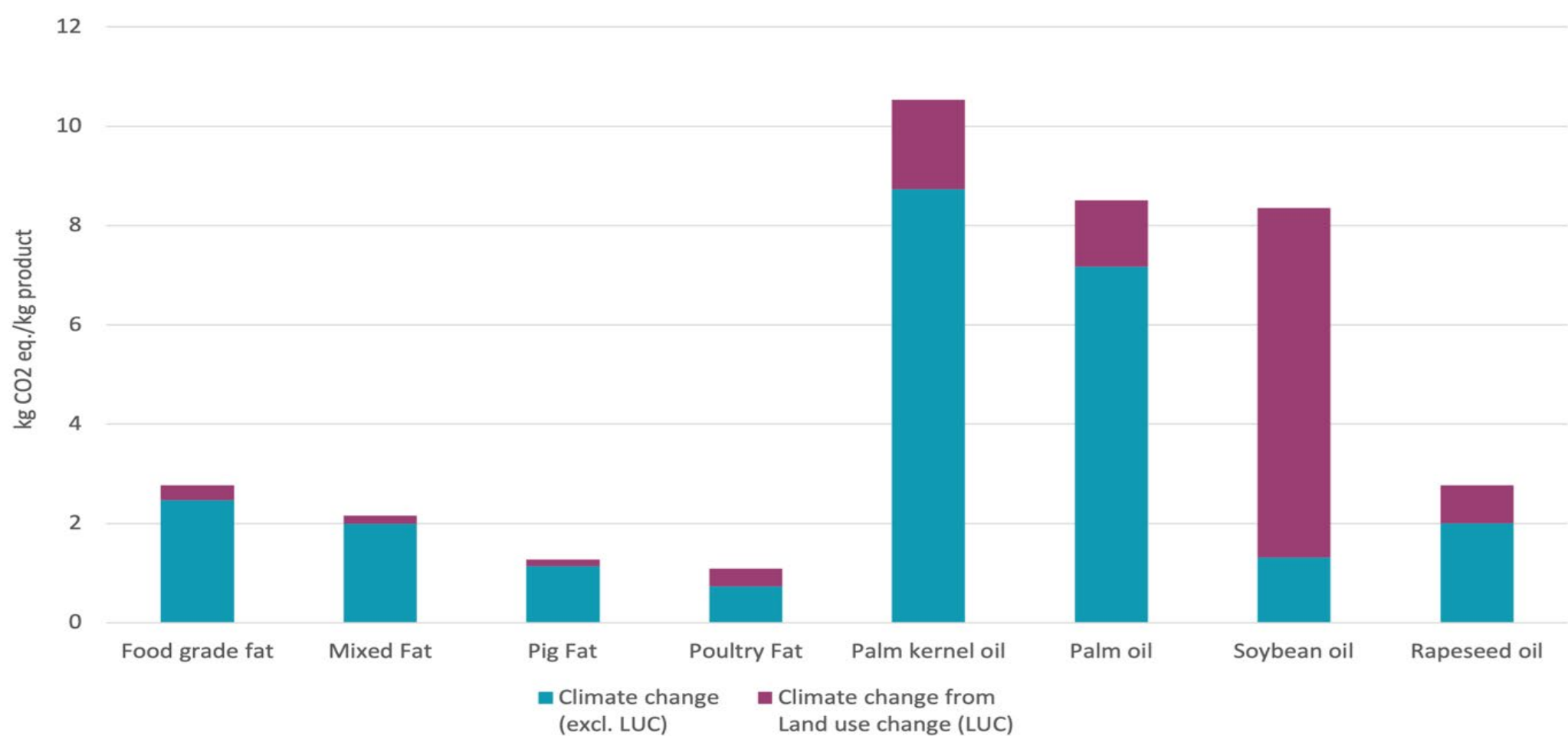
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Feed Life Cycle Analysis (LCA)
methodology and database



EFPRA – Climate Change Impacts of Meal Products



EFPRA – Climate Change Impacts of Fat Products





Market Changes

- Soybean crush capacity is estimated to increase by 25% or 600 million bushels

- 1 bushel of soybeans =
 - 48 pounds of meal
 - 11 pounds of oil

- This means a production increase of:
 - 13 million metric tons of soybean meal
 - 3 million metric tons of oil



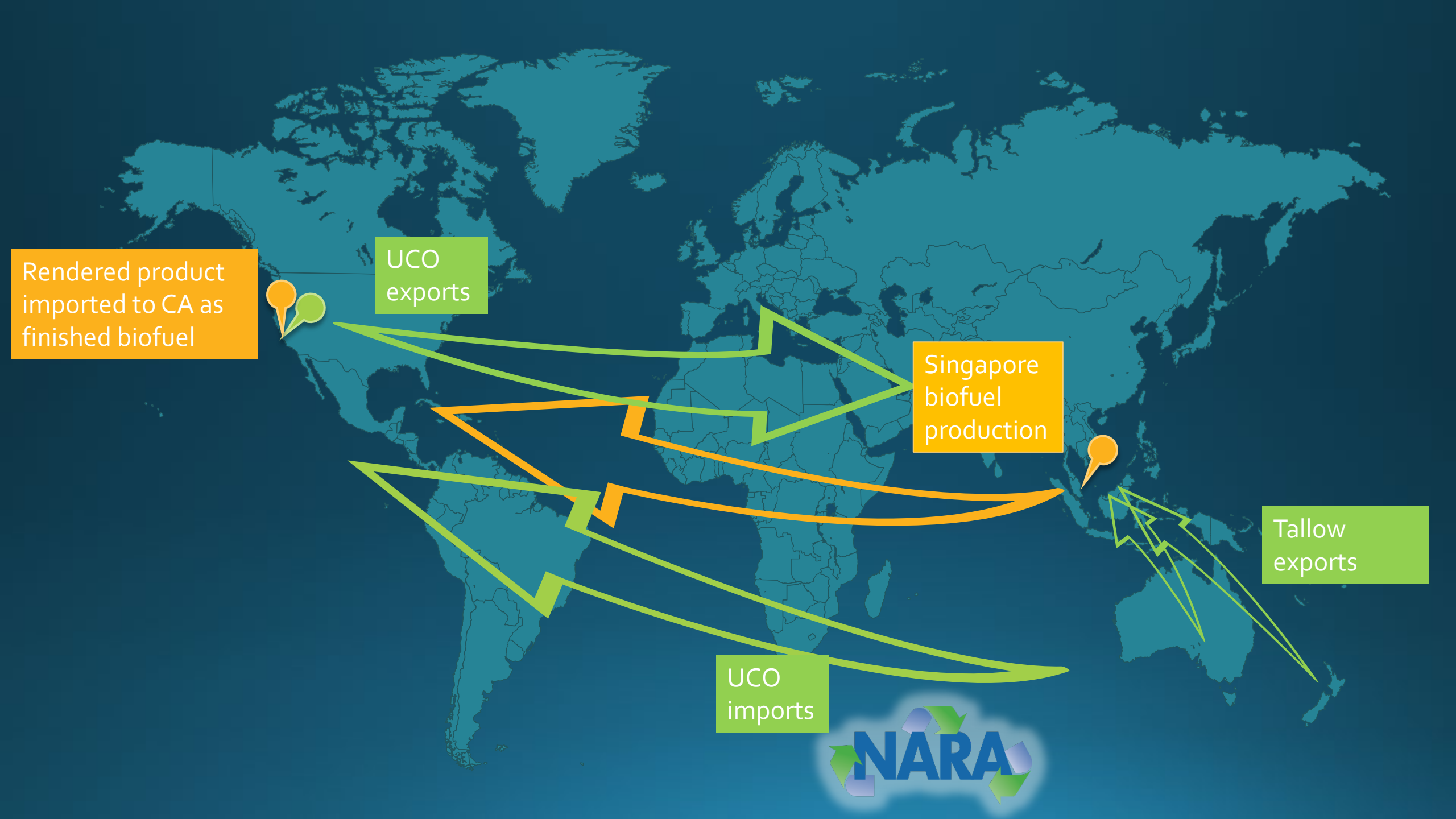
Rendered product imported to CA as finished biofuel

UCO exports

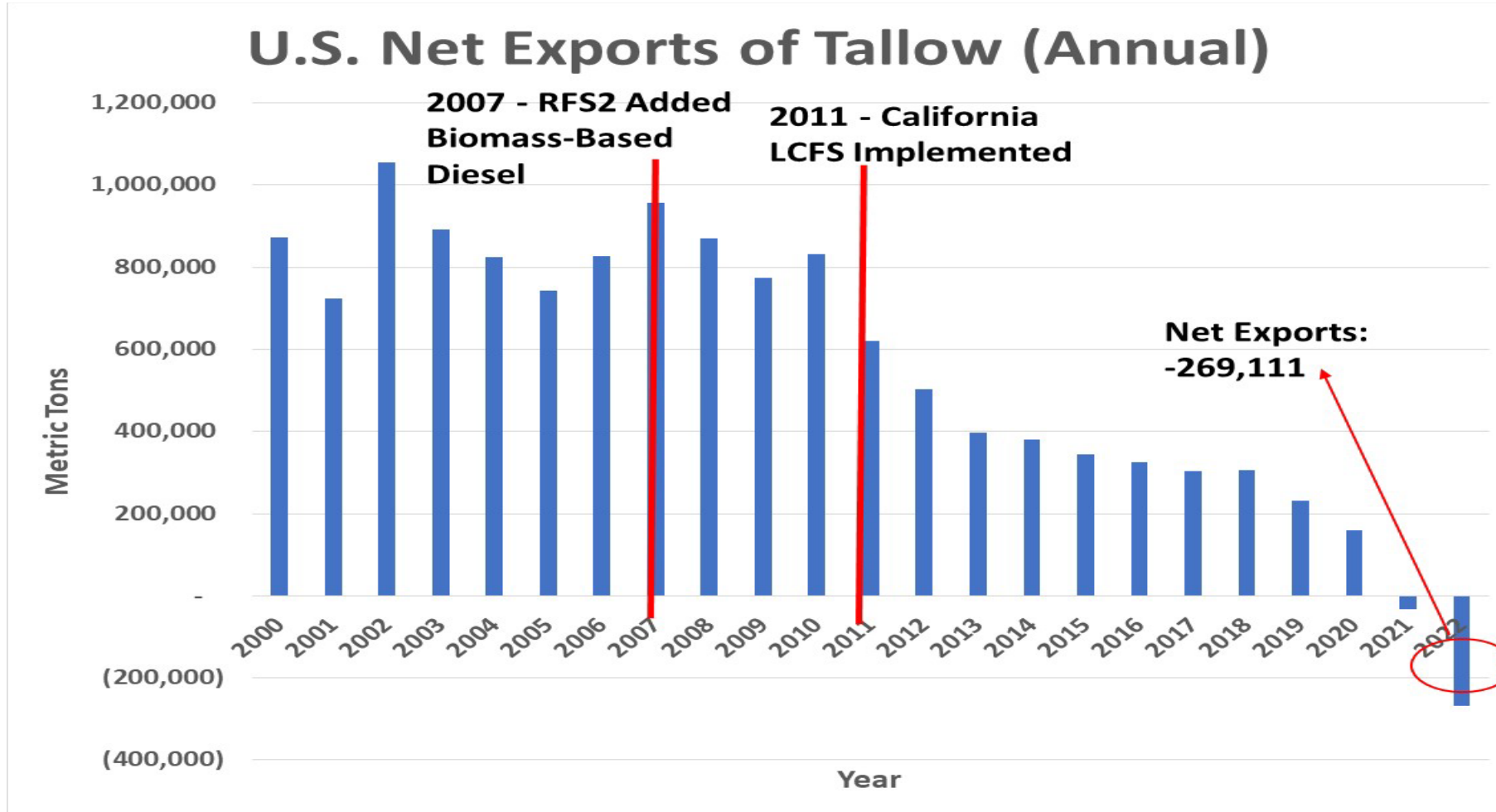
Singapore biofuel production

Tallow exports

UCO imports



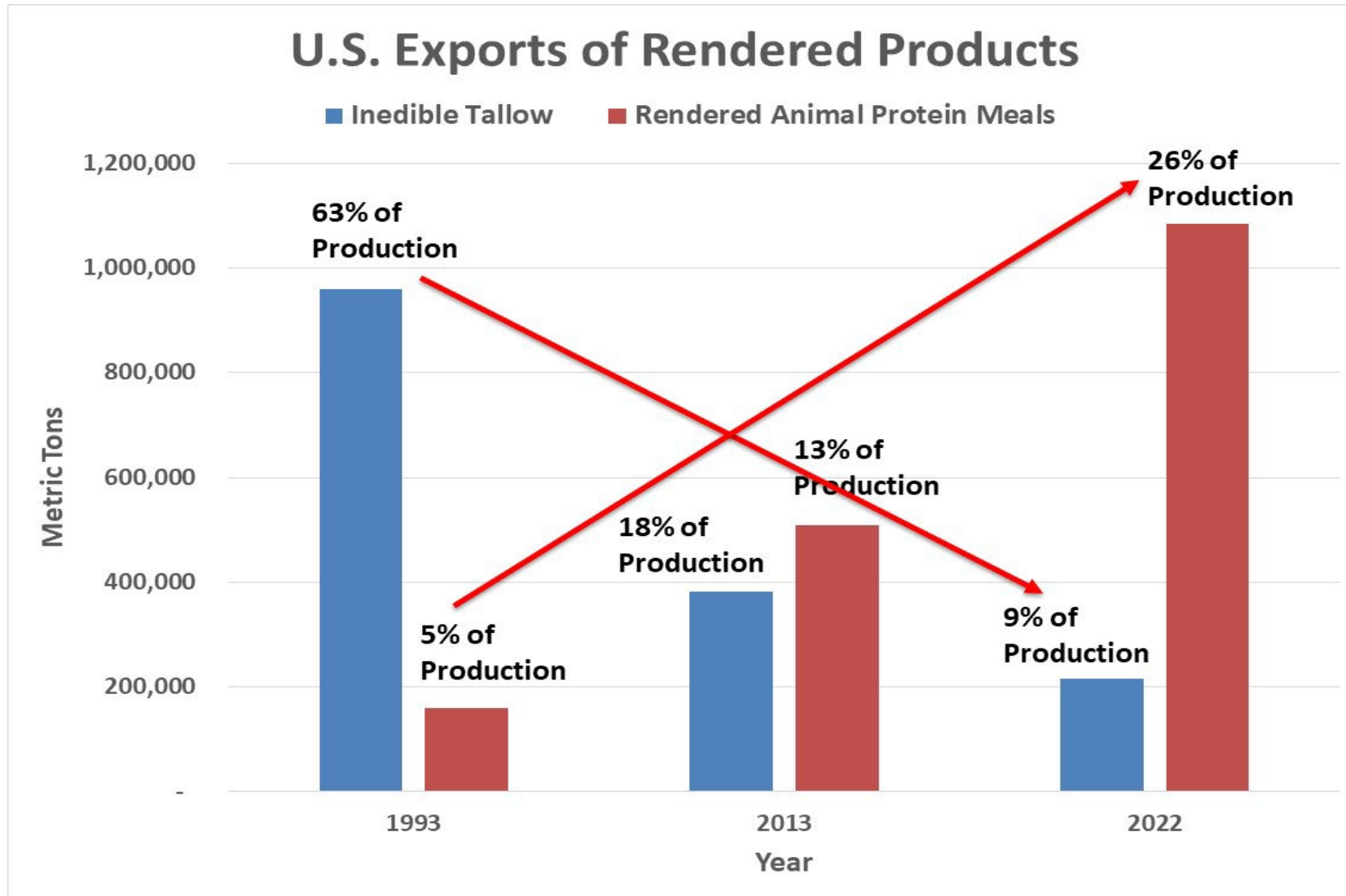
Impact - Markets



Source: Trade Data Monitor



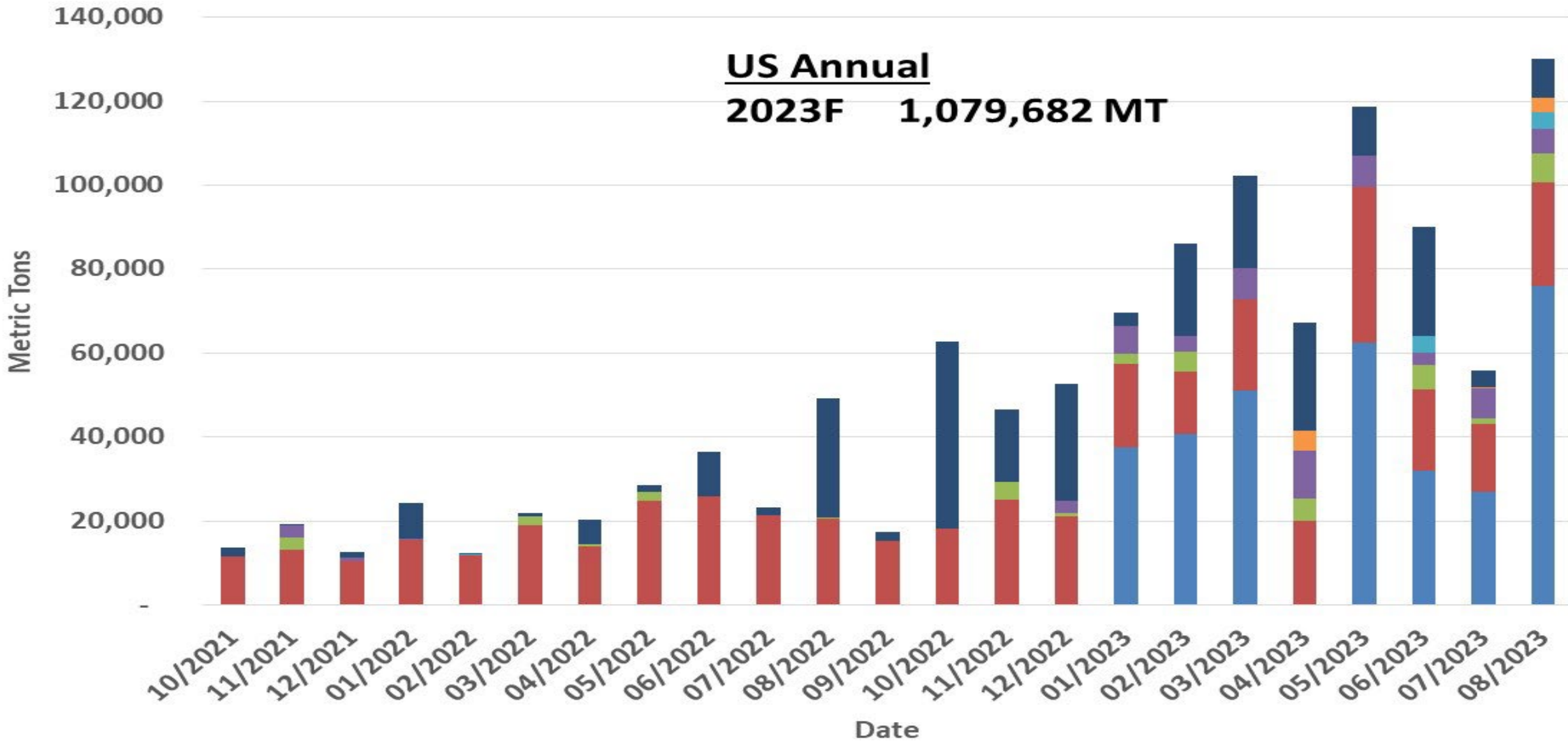
Impact - Markets



US Monthly Imports of YG/UCO (2021-2023)

■ China ■ Canada ■ Colombia ■ Chile ■ United Kingdom ■ Indonesia ■ Other

US Annual
2023F 1,079,682 MT



U.S. Production & Use (biomass-based diesel) of Rendered Fat in MT; (YTD June 2023)

Product	Production	Imports	Total Supply	Consumption in Biomass-based diesel	Percent of Production	Percent of TOTAL Supply
Poultry Fat	488,903	1,351	490,254	35,226	7%	7%
Tallow	1,463,049	311,577	1,774,626	600,972	41%	34%
White Grease	375,588	30,920	406,508	134,669	36%	33%
TOTAL*	2,327,539	343,848	2,671,387	770,867	33%	29%
Source:	USDA/National Agricultural Statistics Service					
	Energy Information Agency					

Why Rendered Fats (Low CI) for Biomass-based Diesel?

- 1960's – Laundry detergents stopped using tallow
- 1990 – Fast food market stopped using tallow in french fry production due to a campaign against saturated fats (listen to podcast “McDonalds Broke My Heart”)
- 2000's – Companies villainize “animal by-products” in their marketing
- 2003 – Trade restrictions due to BSE
- 1960 onward – Competing lipids displace rendered fat in global markets



Final Points

- **Low CI feedstocks = Opportunity**
- **Rendered fats and UCO, help meet carbon reduction demands**
- **The biofuel market shows a precedent that can be applied to feed, pet food.**
- **Increased crush capacity = lower priced proteins**
- **Renderers are essential providers of low CI ingredients for food, feed, fuel, and oleochemical producers**



Thank You!



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Reclaiming Resources, Sustainably



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