

# Trade Report

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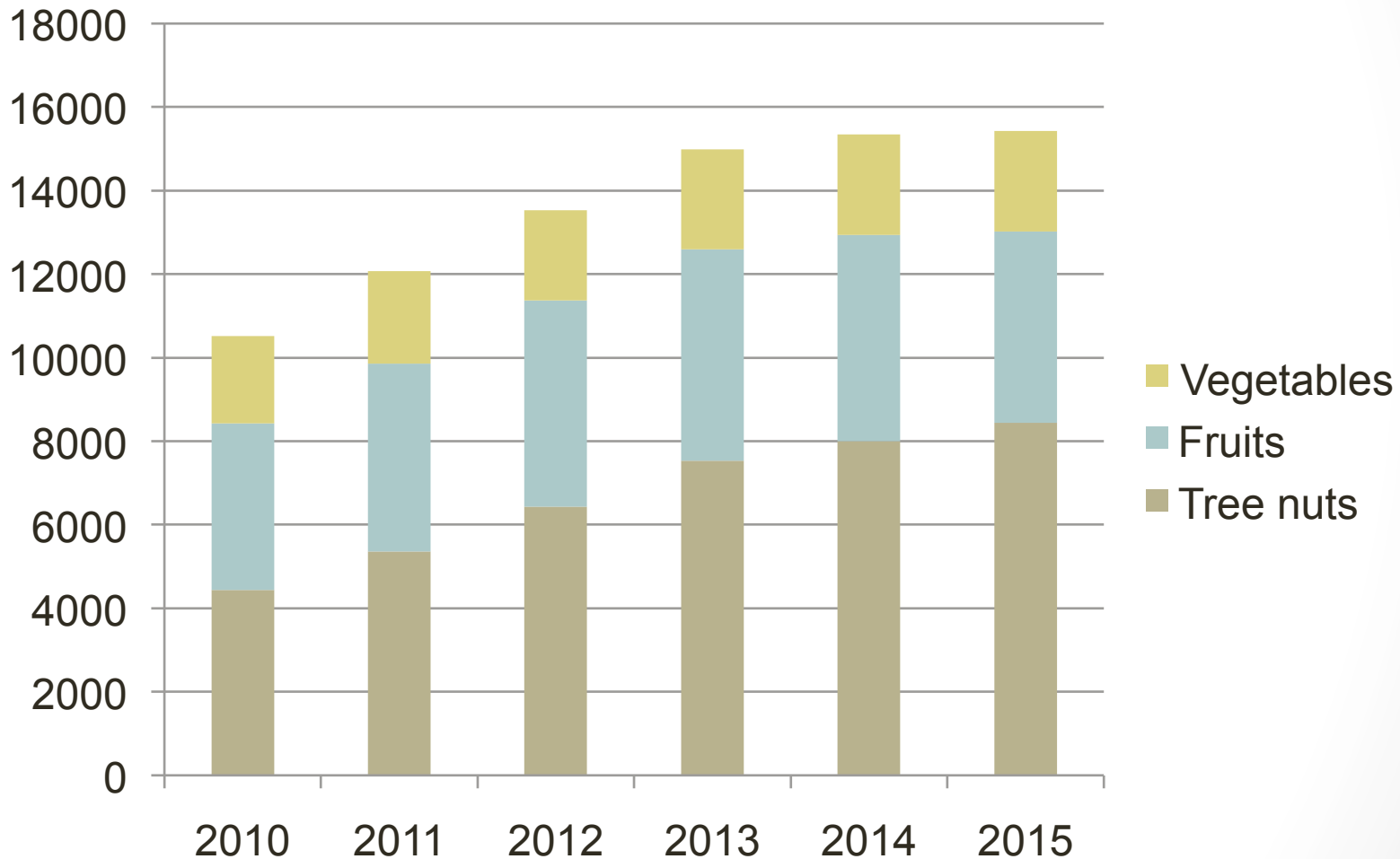
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# Data and Analysis

- Access to Data and Reports

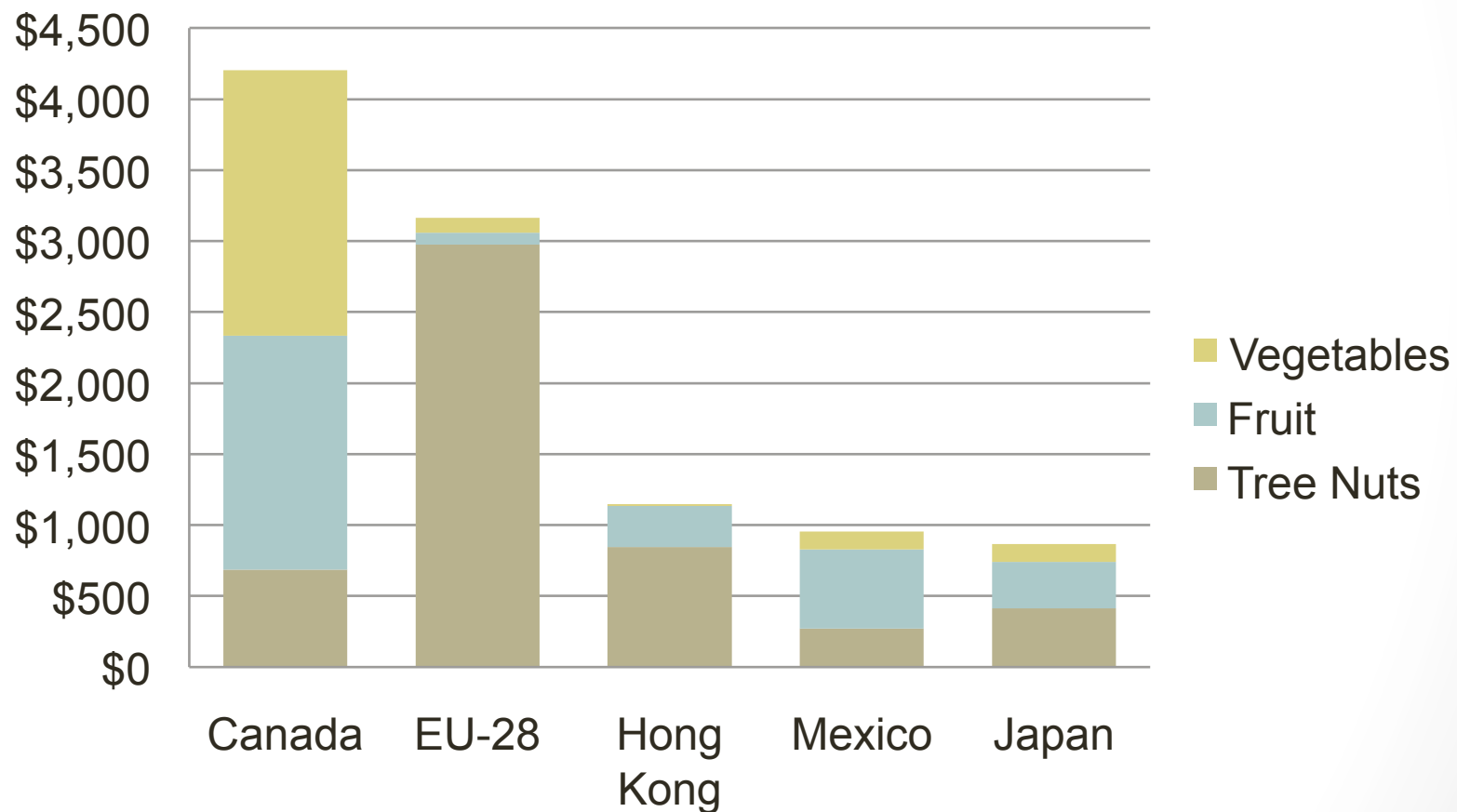


# Export Values Continue to Grow

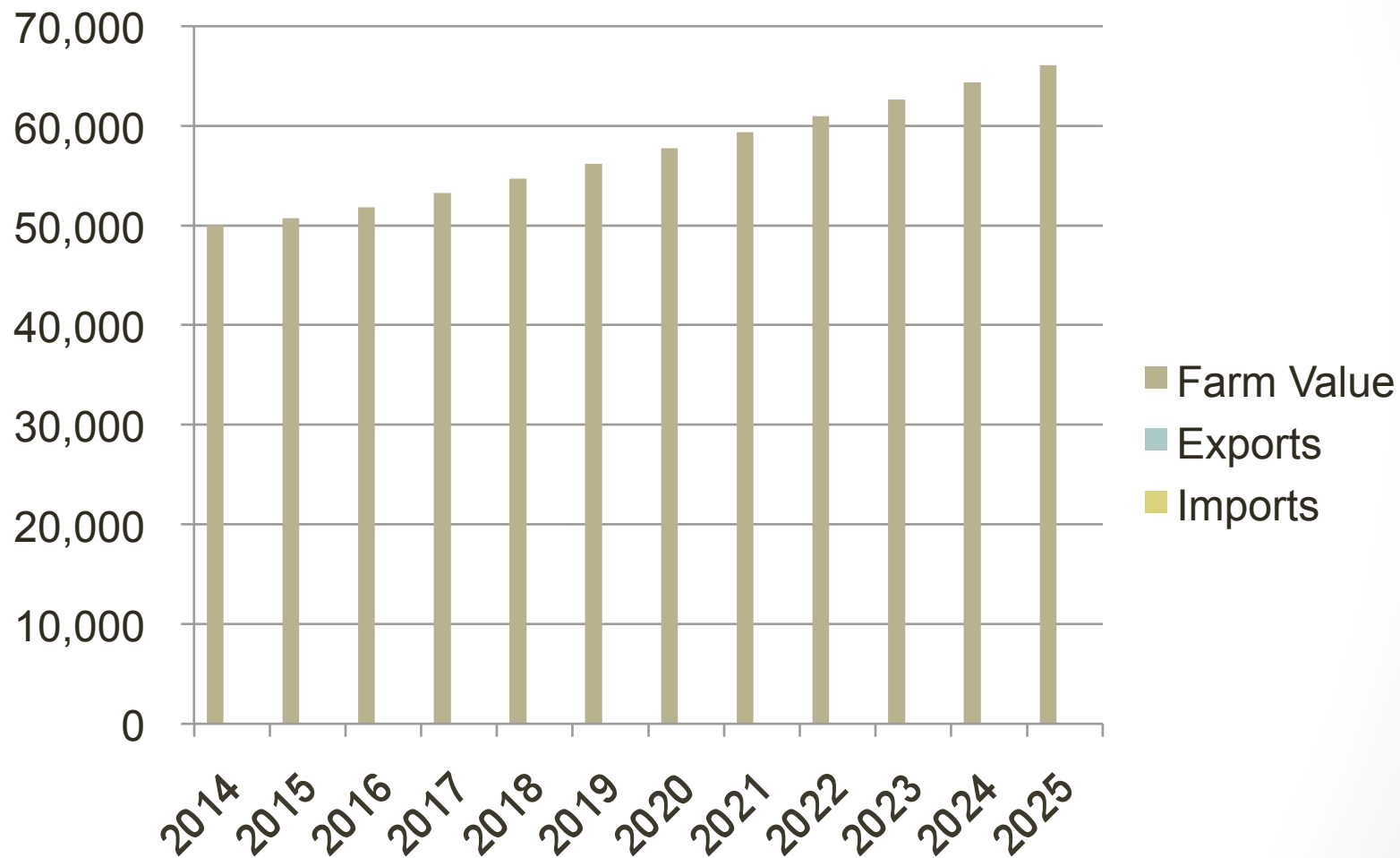


# Specialty Crop's Top Markets

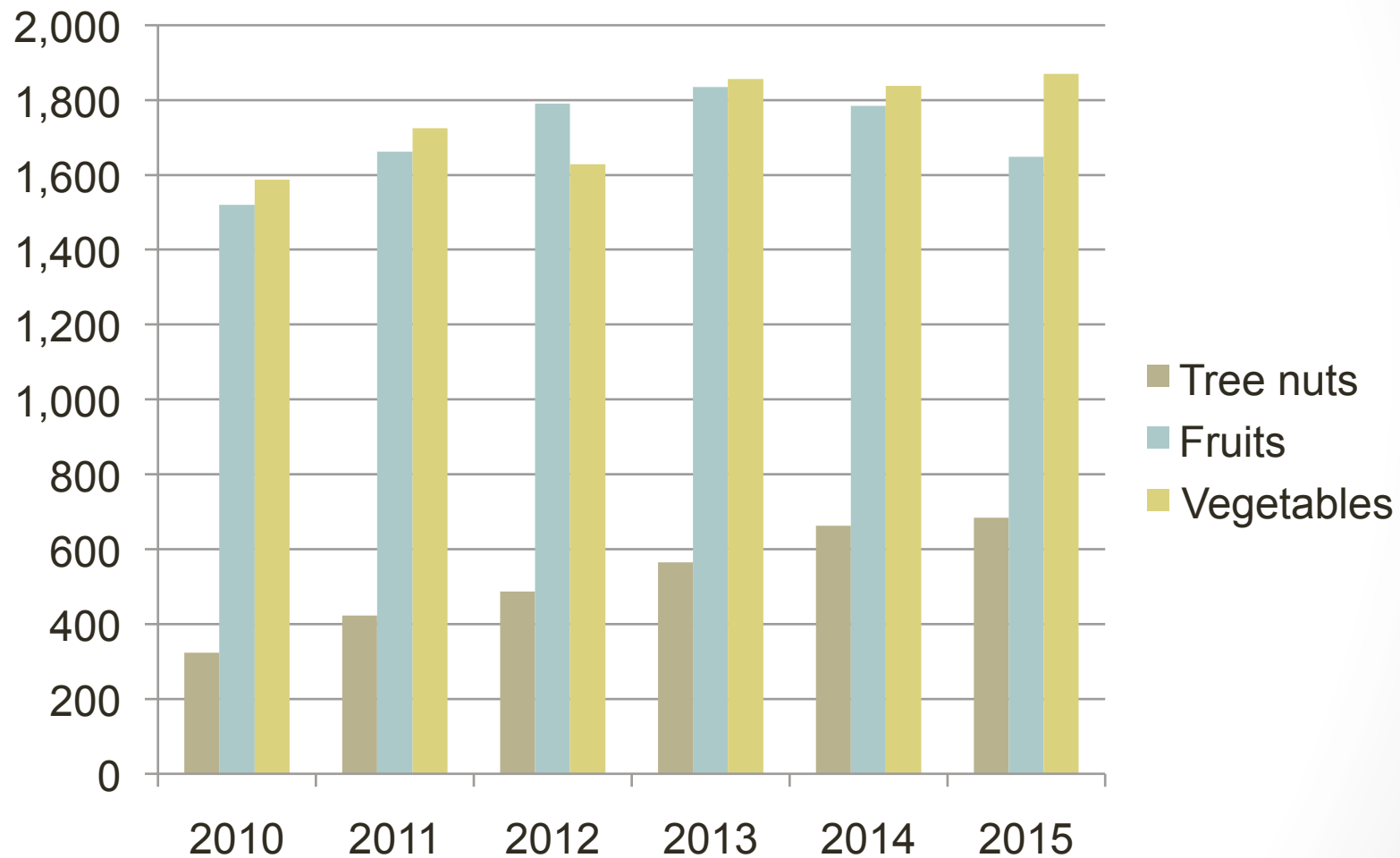
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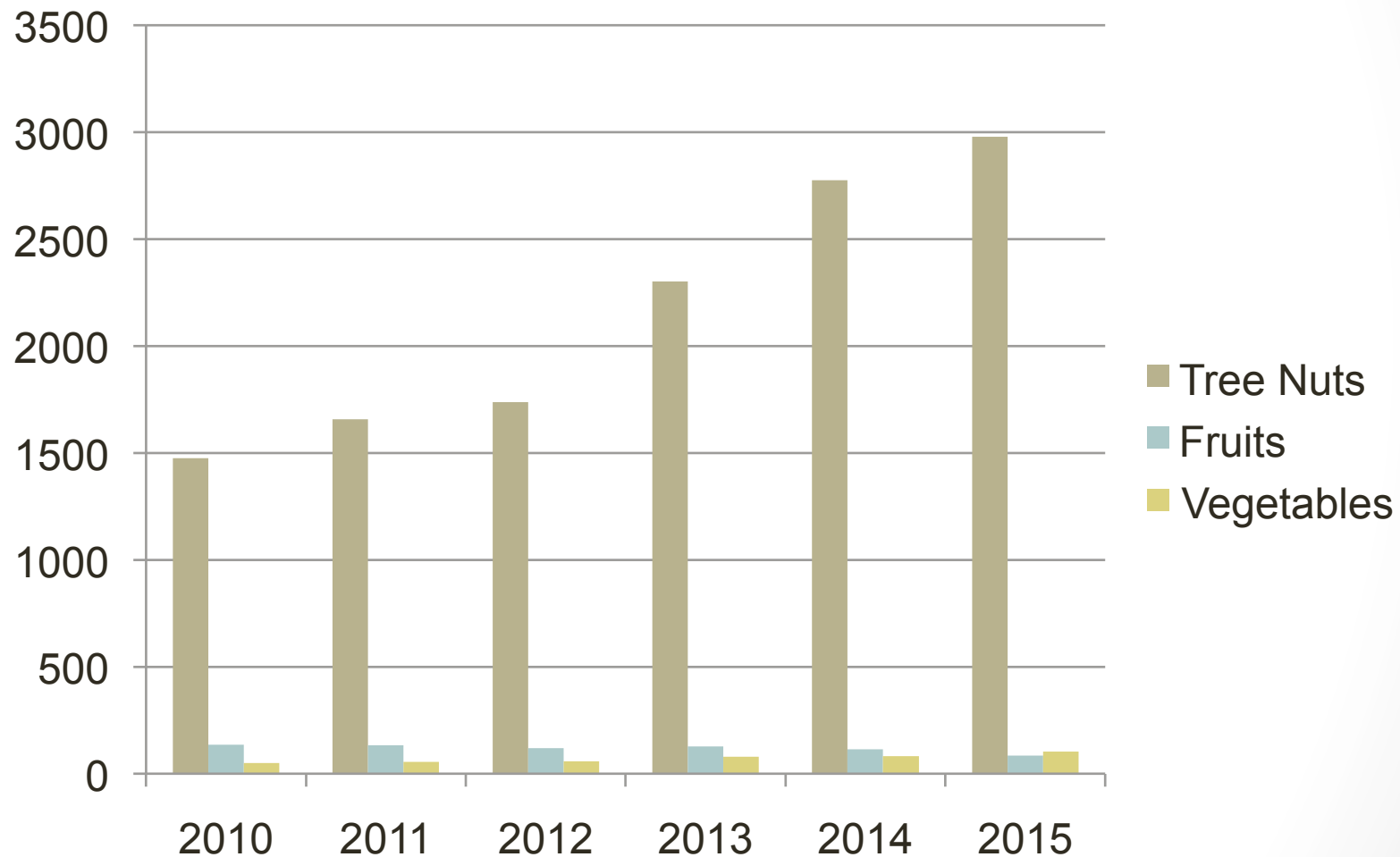
# Production Stable, Both Imports & Exports Increase



# Canada

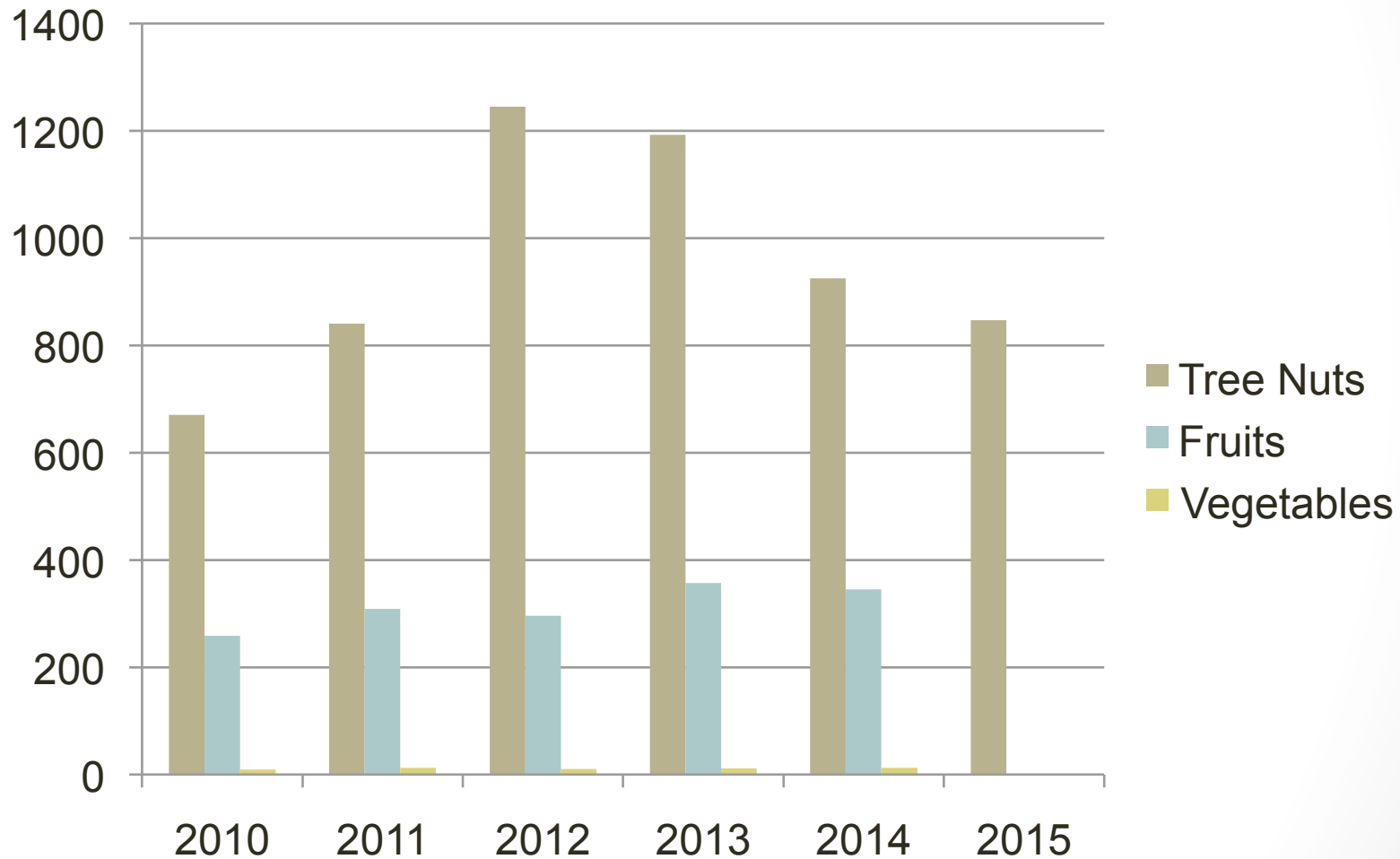
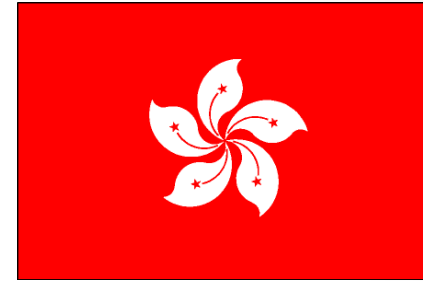


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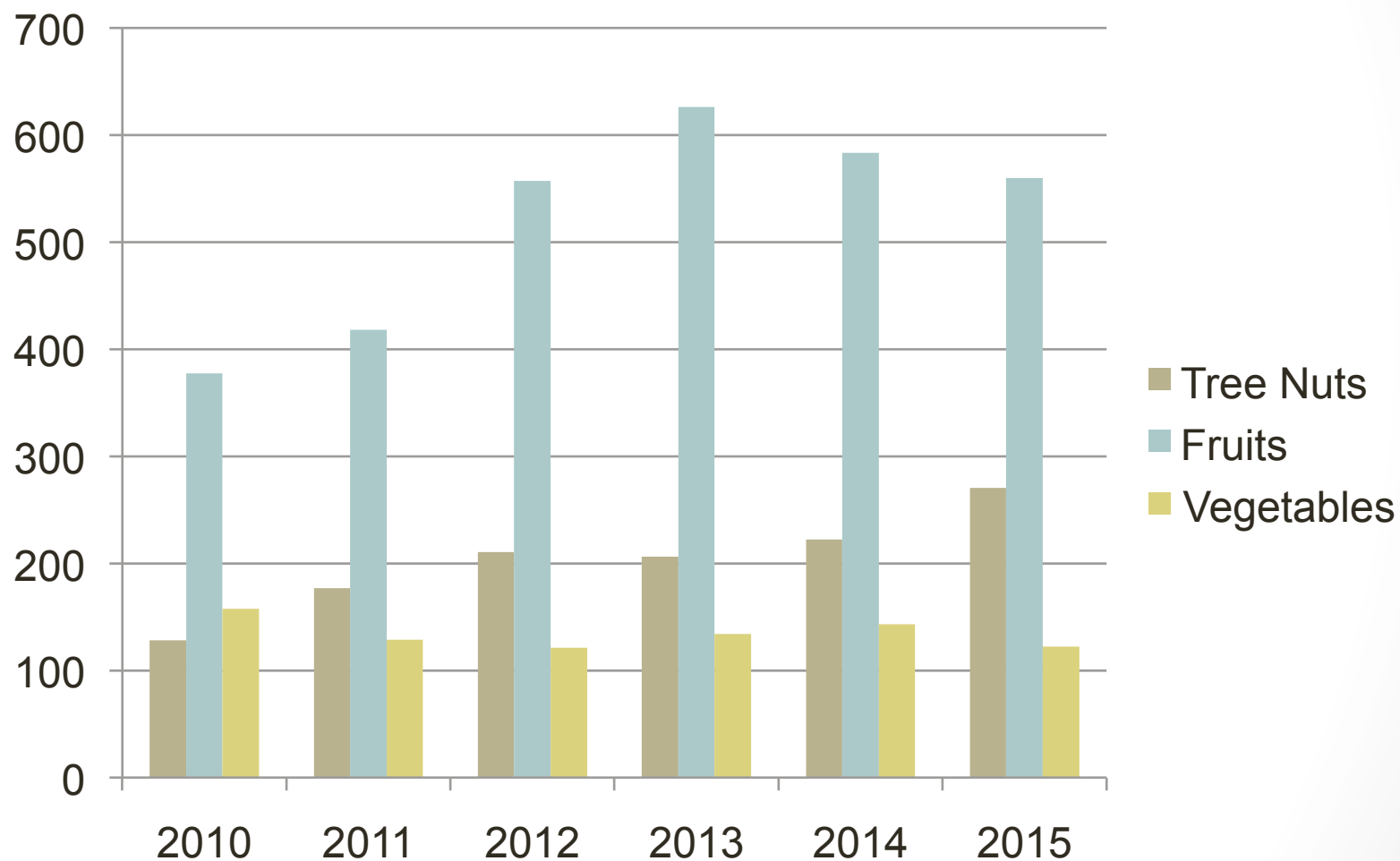




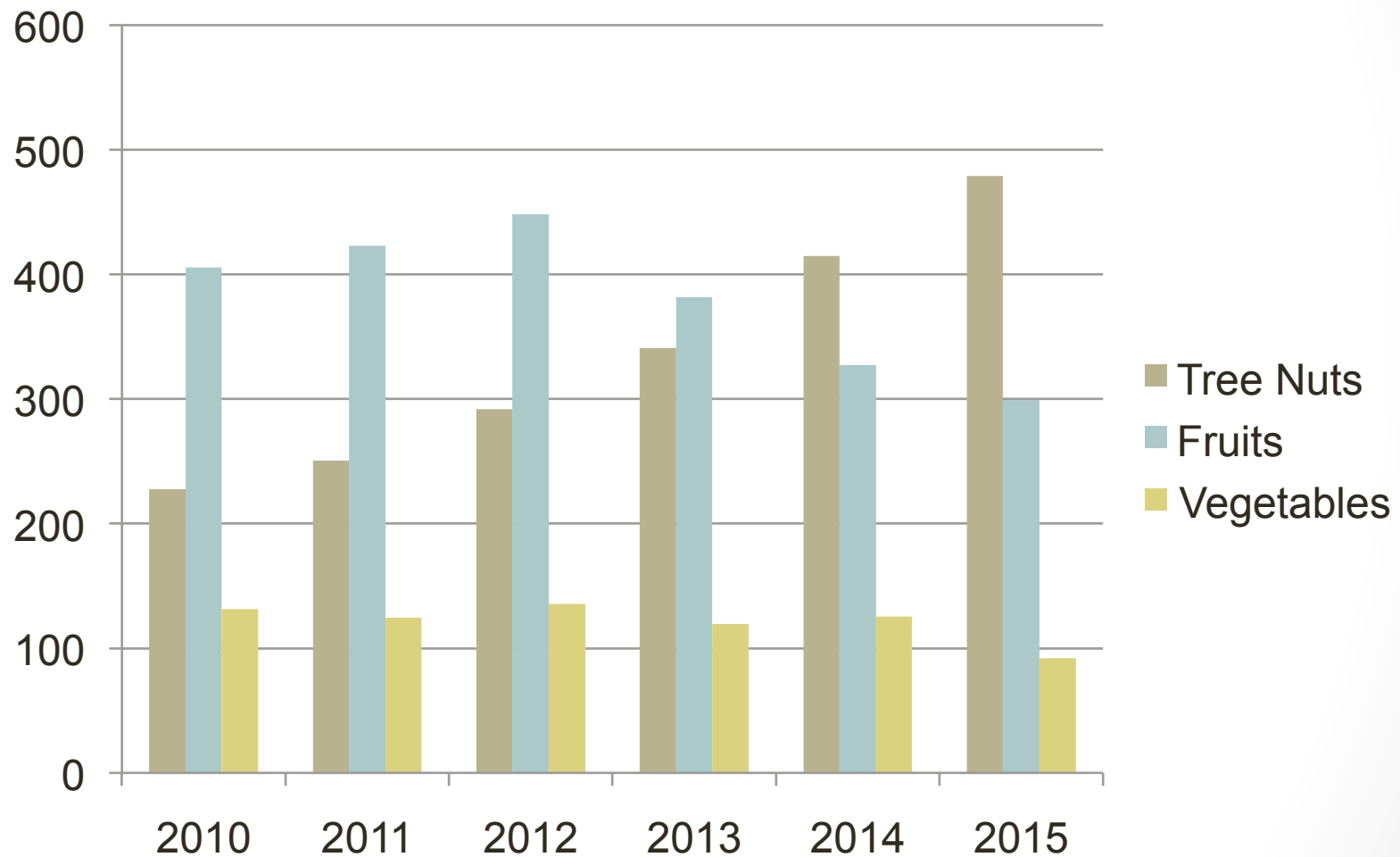
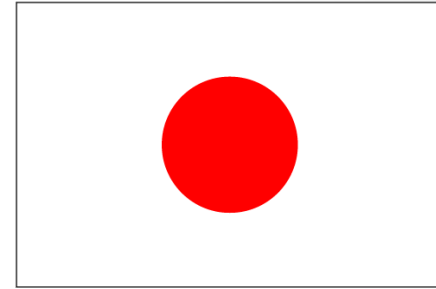
# Hong Kong



# Mexico



# Japan

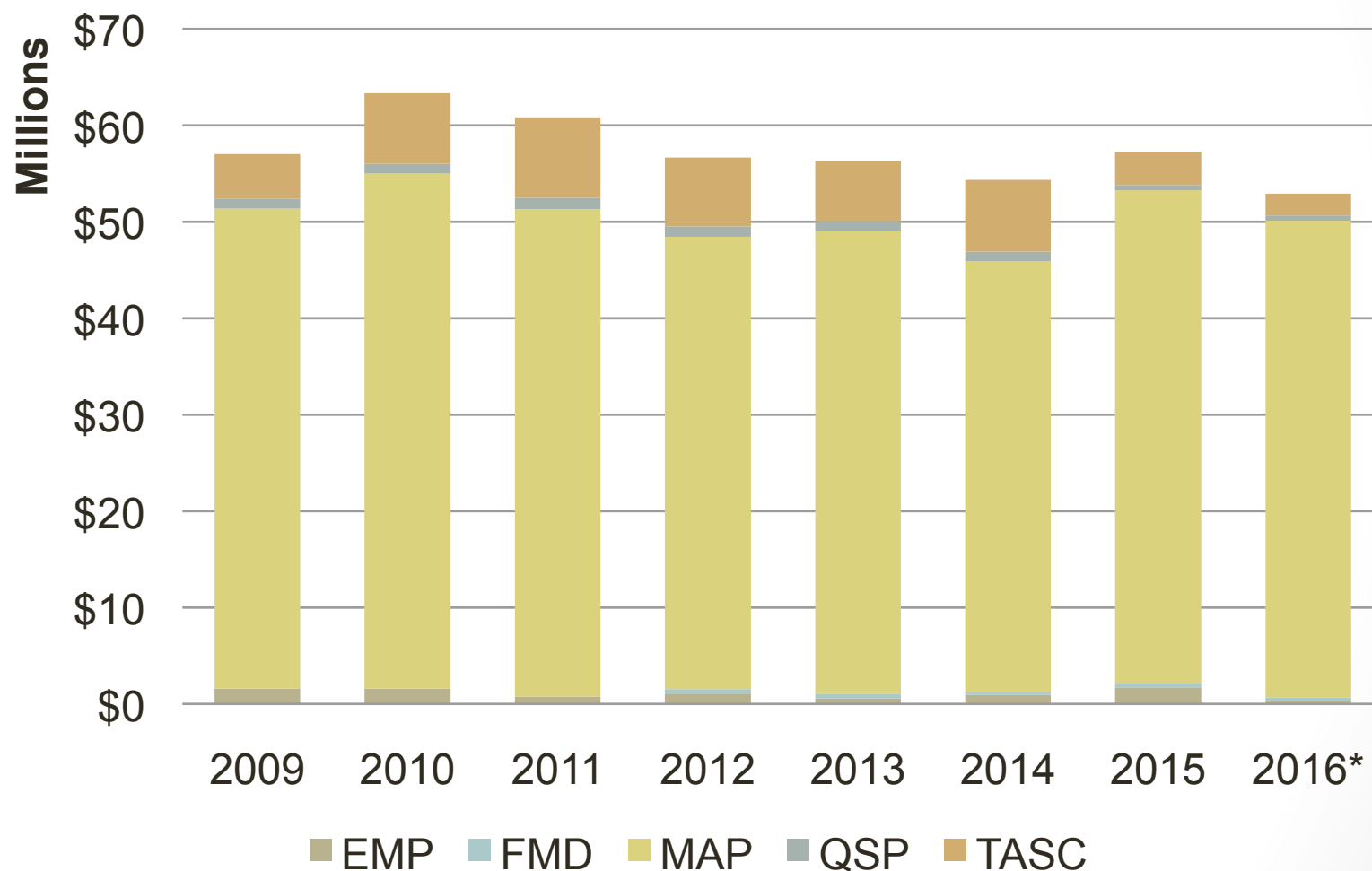


# Market Development

- FAS Managed Programs



# Market Promotion Funding for U.S. Specialty Crops



# Market Access Program

- Helps finance activities to market and promote U.S. agricultural commodities and products worldwide.



# Emerging Markets Program



- Provides funding for technical assistance activities to promote exports of U.S. agricultural commodities to emerging markets worldwide.



# Quality Samples Program

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- Helps U.S. organizations provide small samples of their agricultural products to potential customers overseas.

## Foreign Market Development

- Provides cooperator organizations with cost-share funding for activities that build international demand for U.S. agricultural commodities.



# Foreign Market Development Cooperator Program



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# Technical Assistance for Specialty Crops

- Funds projects that address sanitary, phytosanitary and technical barriers that prohibit or threaten the export of U.S.



# Trade Policy

- FAS expands and maintains access to foreign markets for U.S. agricultural products by removing trade barriers and enforcing U.S. rights under existing trade agreements.
- FAS works with foreign governments, international organizations, and the interagency to establish international standards and rules to improve accountability and predictability for agricultural trade.

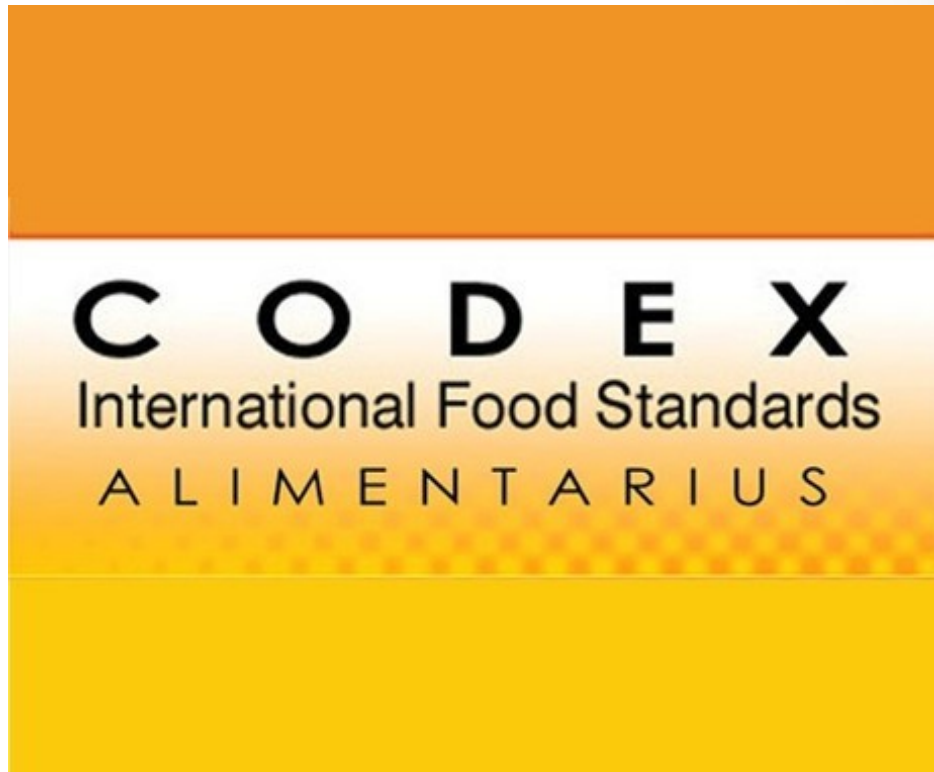
# MRL Interagency Partners

- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)
- United States Trade Representative (USTR)

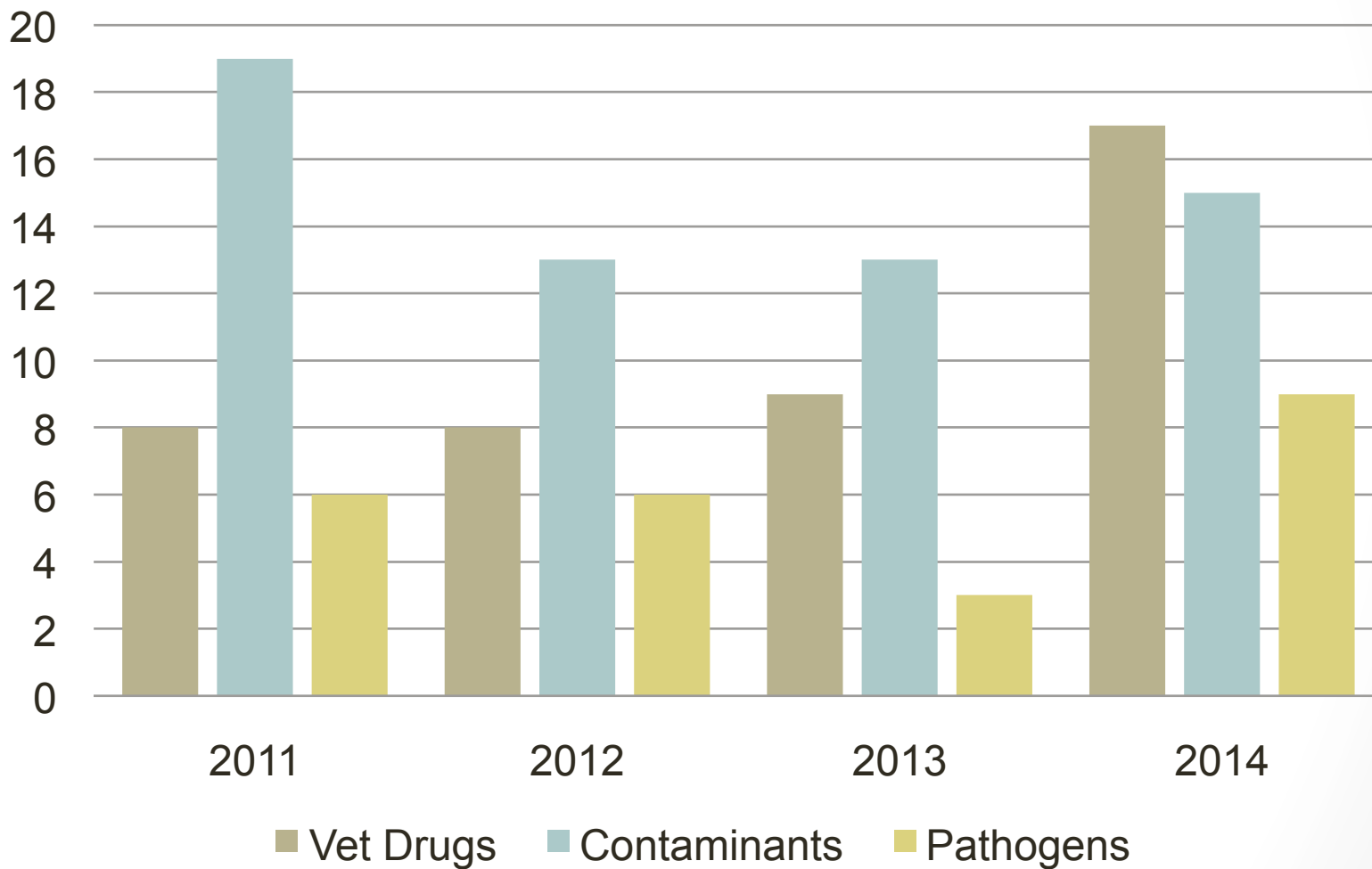


# International MRLs

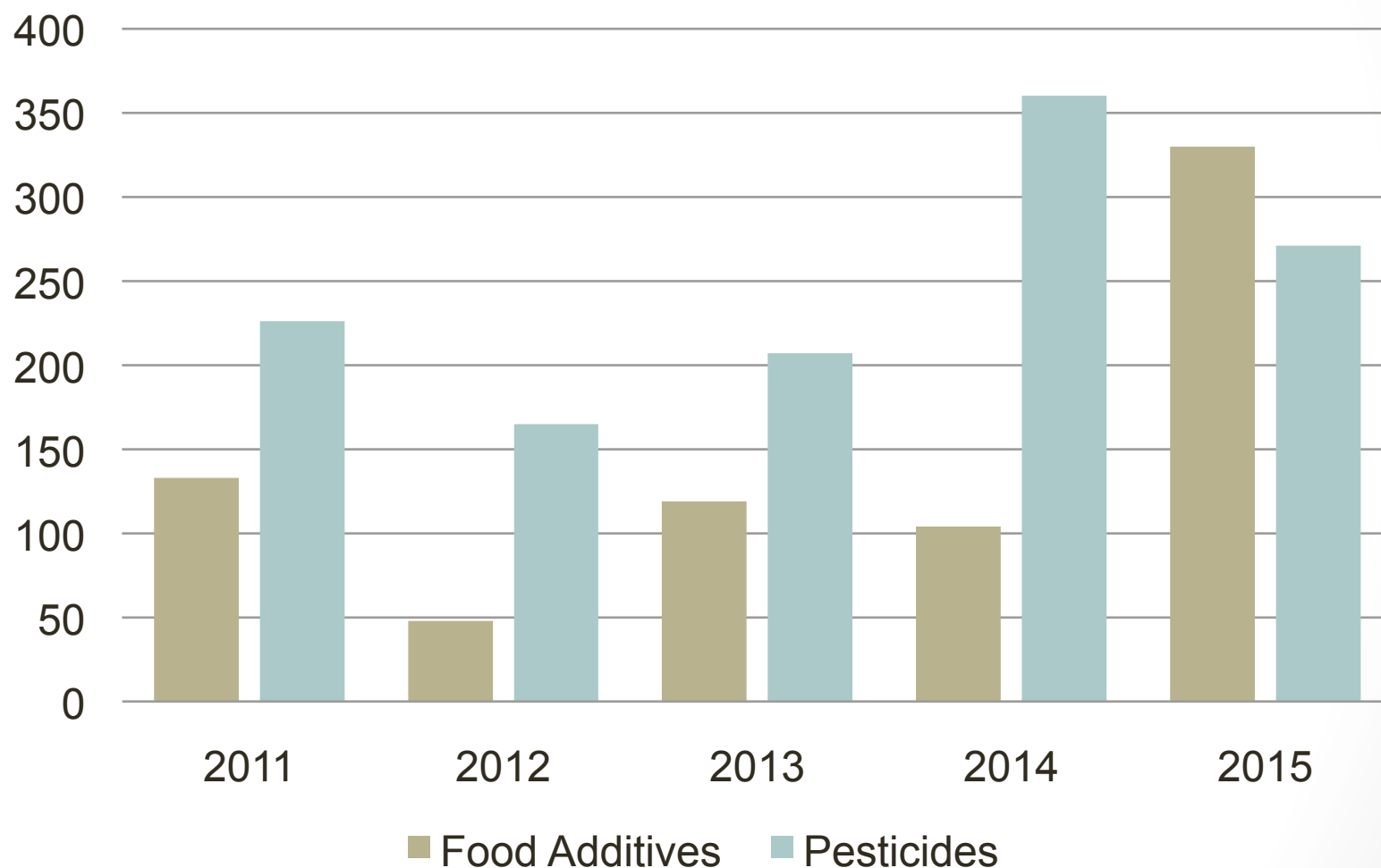
- Codex develops and maintains international standards for MRLs.
- When a government establishes an MRL that is more stringent than the relevant Codex standard, the government must notify the World Trade Organization



# WTO Notifications on the Rise



# MRL Notifications Grow over 50 Percent



# Thank You!

- You can access WTO notifications through the [FAS Data Management System](#)
- You may contact me via email  
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