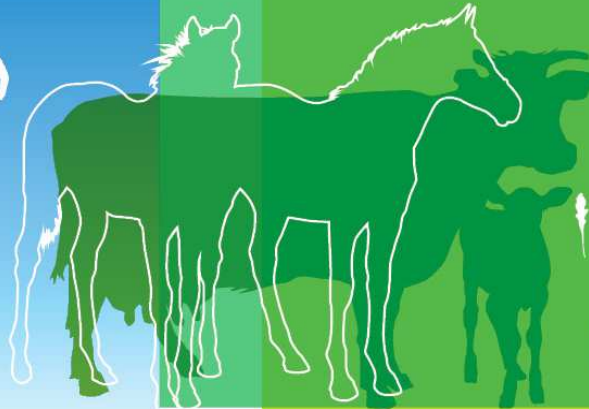


# French grains and international market conditions

Octobre 23rd, 2015

London





## *2015/16: a marketing year under maximum pressure*

- A dull demand VS plentiful availabilities
- EU market: the French production makes an exception
- French balances: a competition-related challenge
- French cereals to the UK: a flow gaining momentum



# **British**

## **cereals import needs**

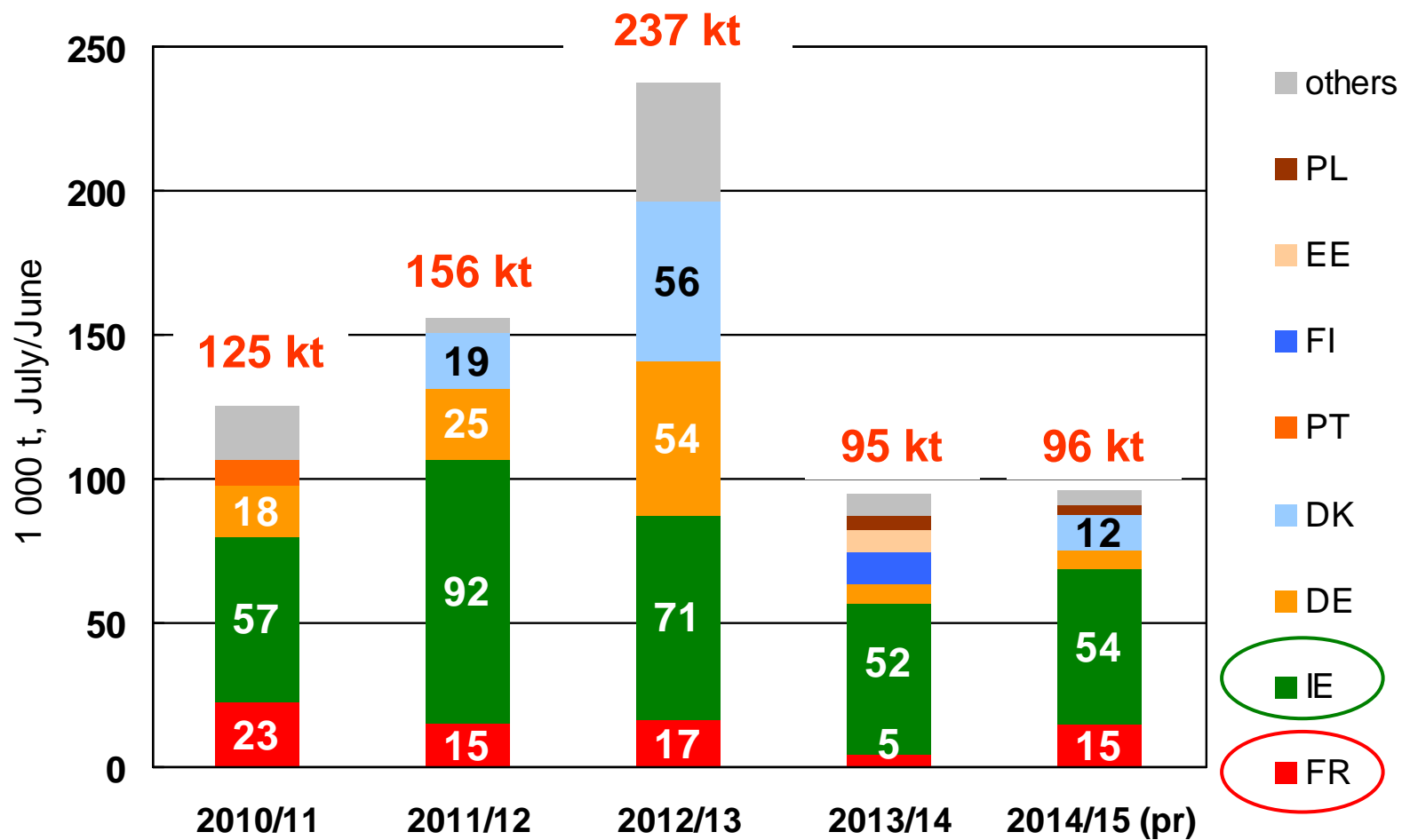
### **and countries of origin**



# BARLEY imports to the UK – main origins

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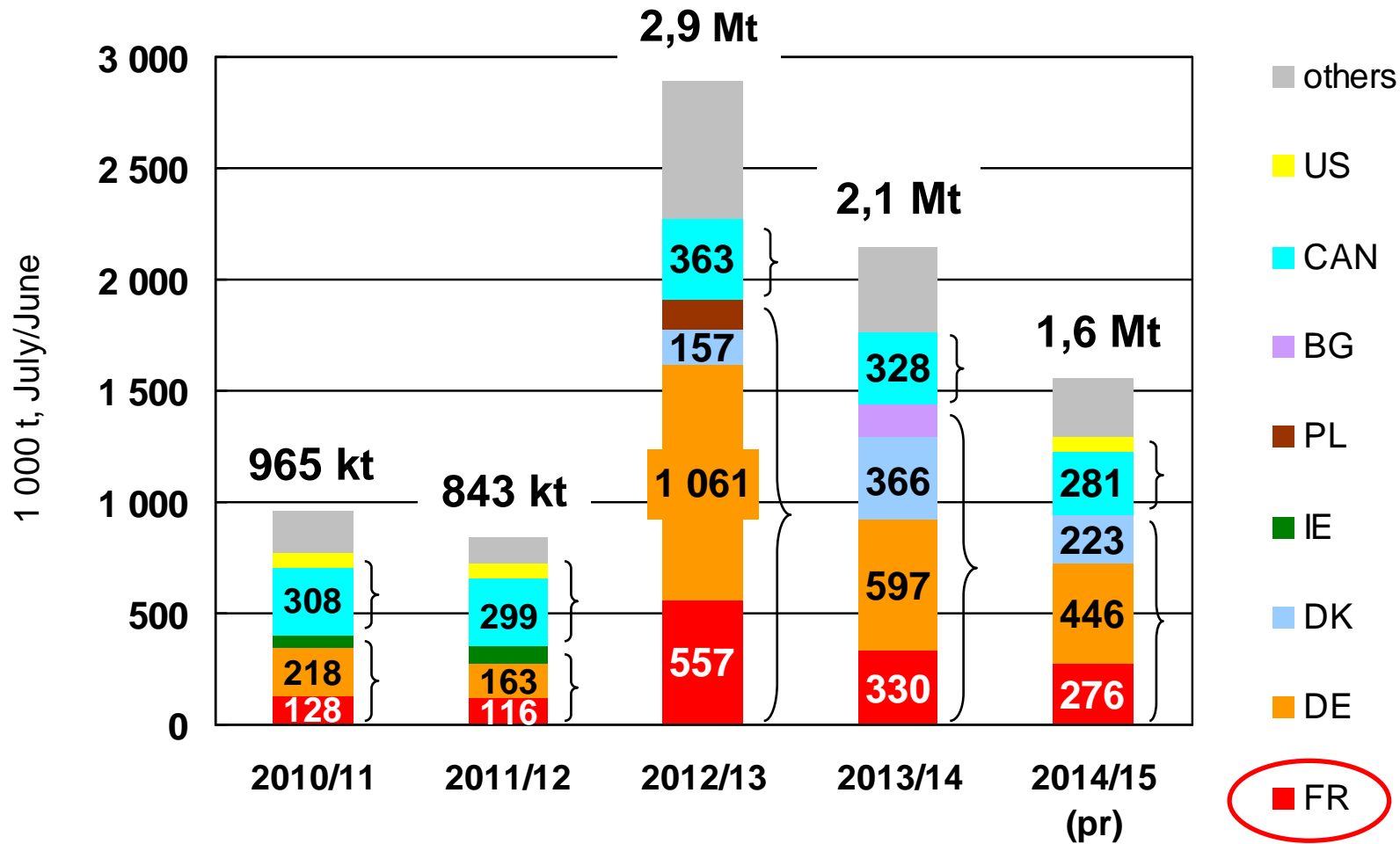
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# Soft WHEAT imports to the UK – main origins

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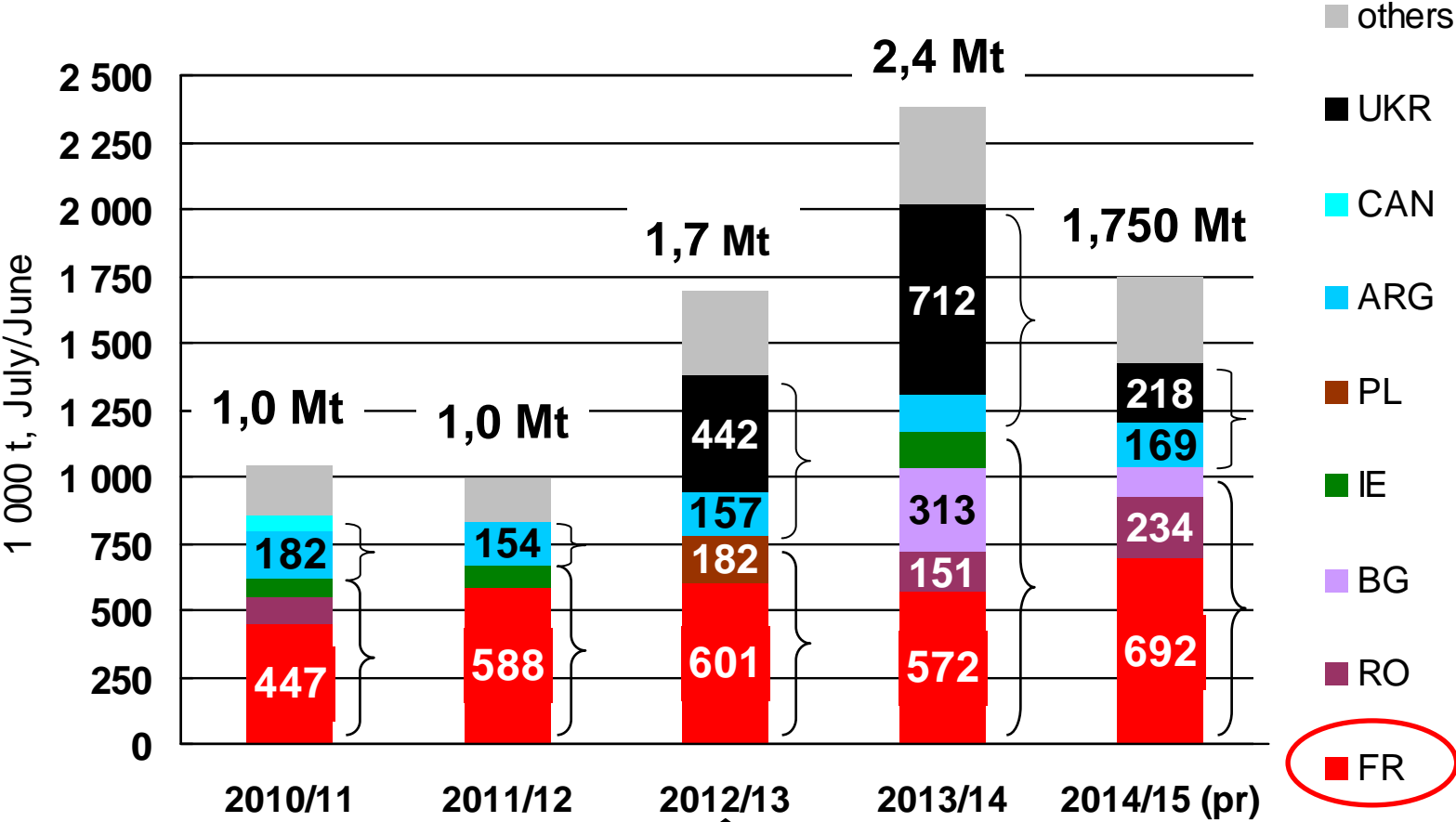
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# MAIZE imports to the UK – main origins

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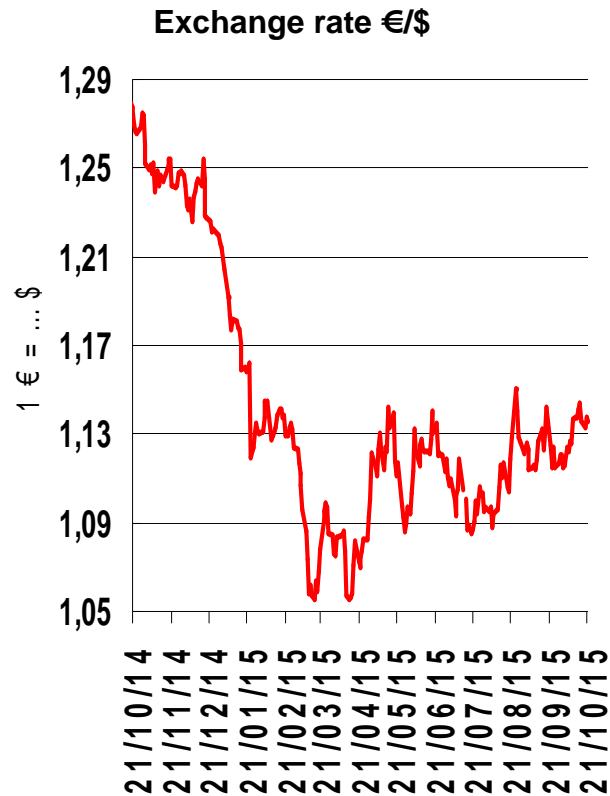




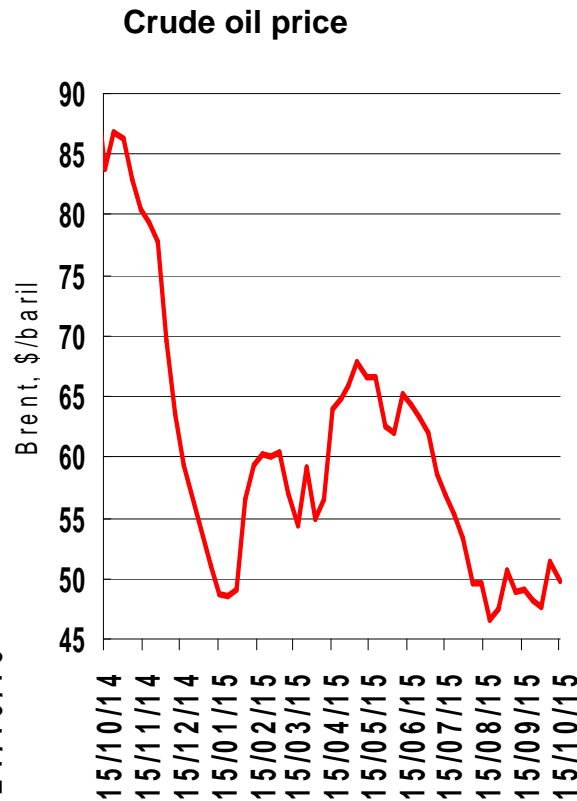
**The 2015/16 marketing year  
on the international market**

*Competition at its highest*

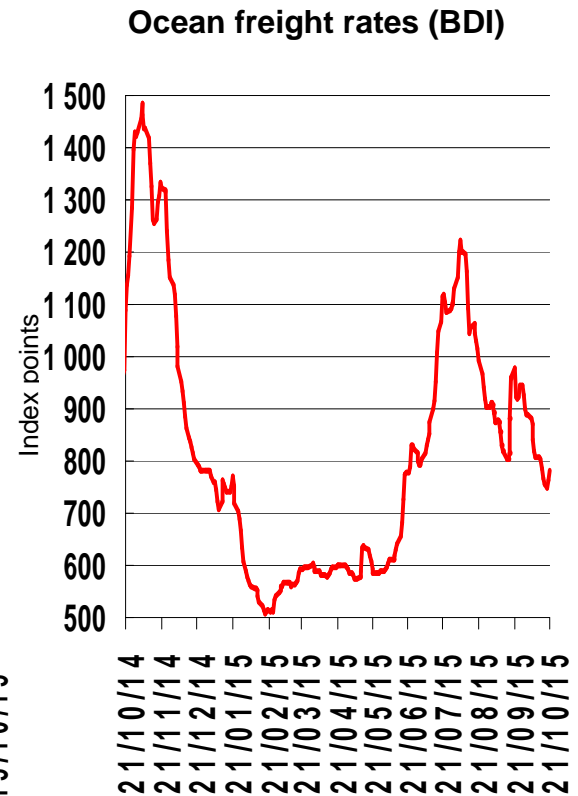
# External factors... powerful factors



>>> -11 % / Y-1  
+ 1 % / m-1



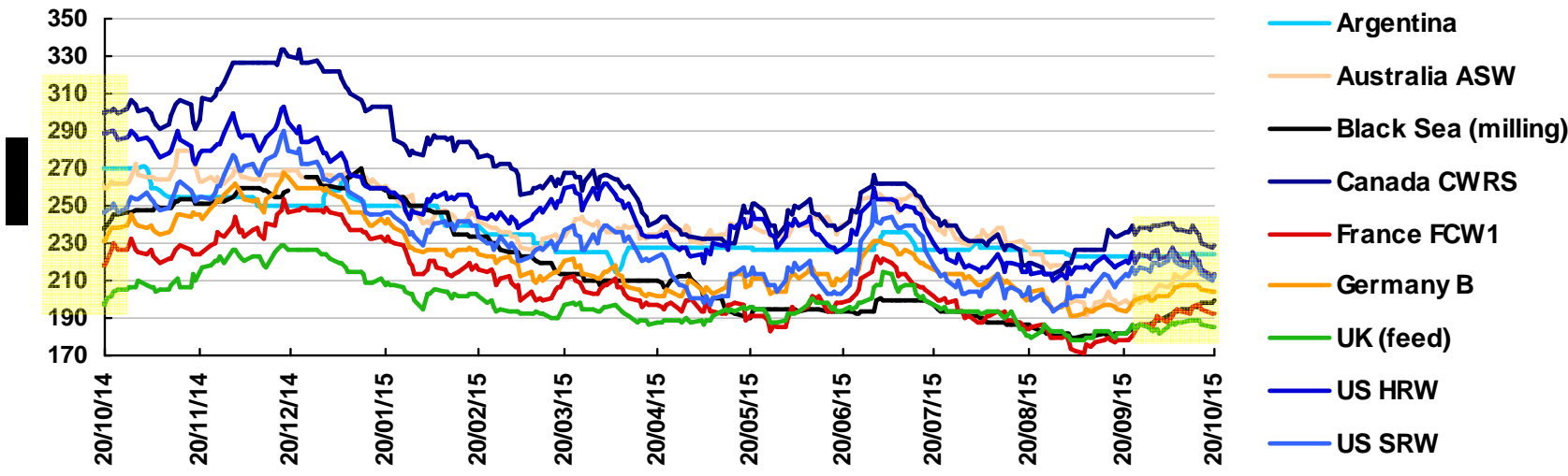
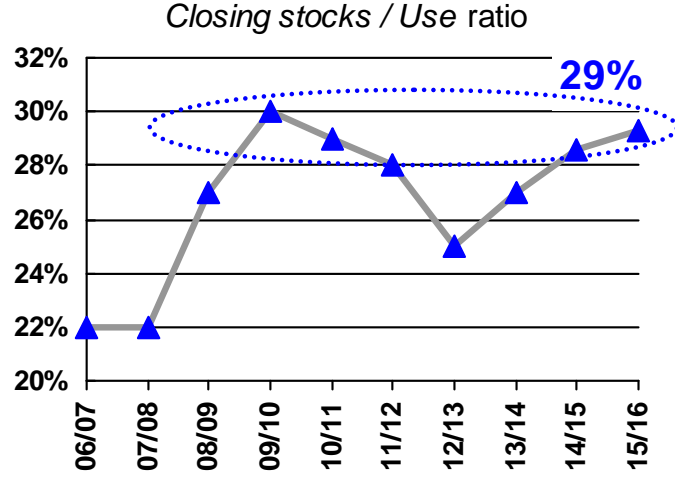
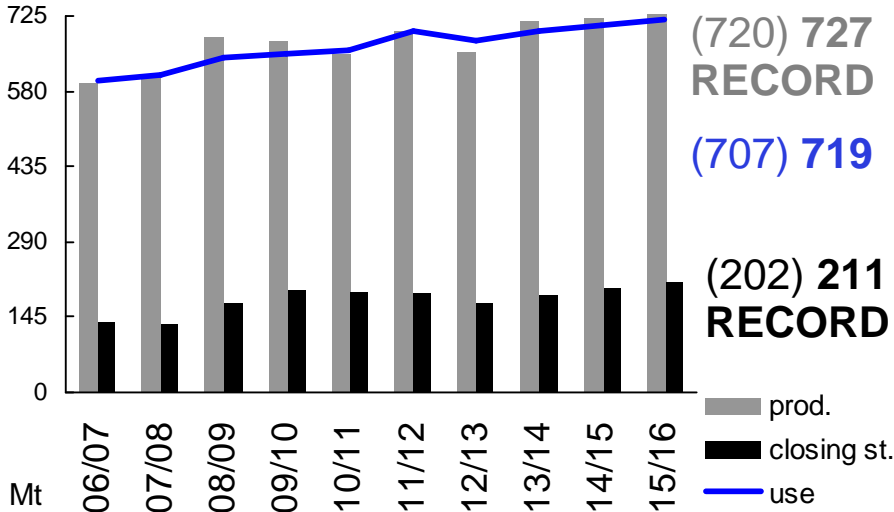
>>> *inputs & freight costs*  
>>> *biofuels profitability*  
>>> *oil exporting countries revenue*



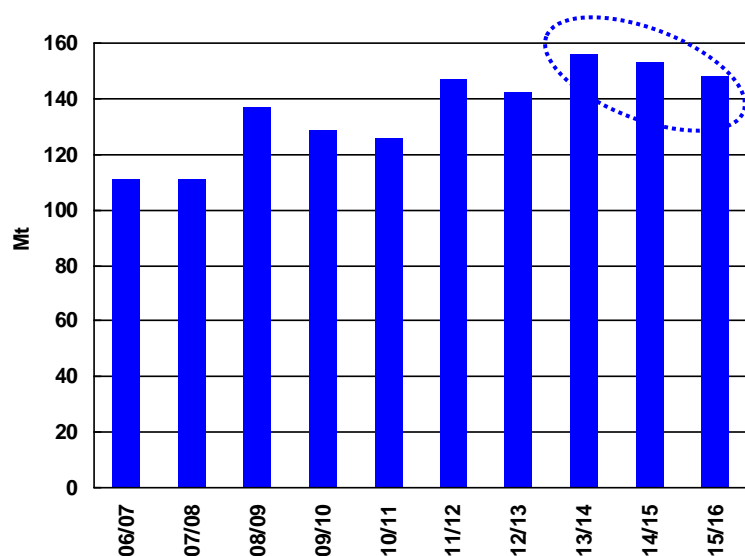
>>> *distant places become « nearer »*



# World WHEAT fundamentals & prices



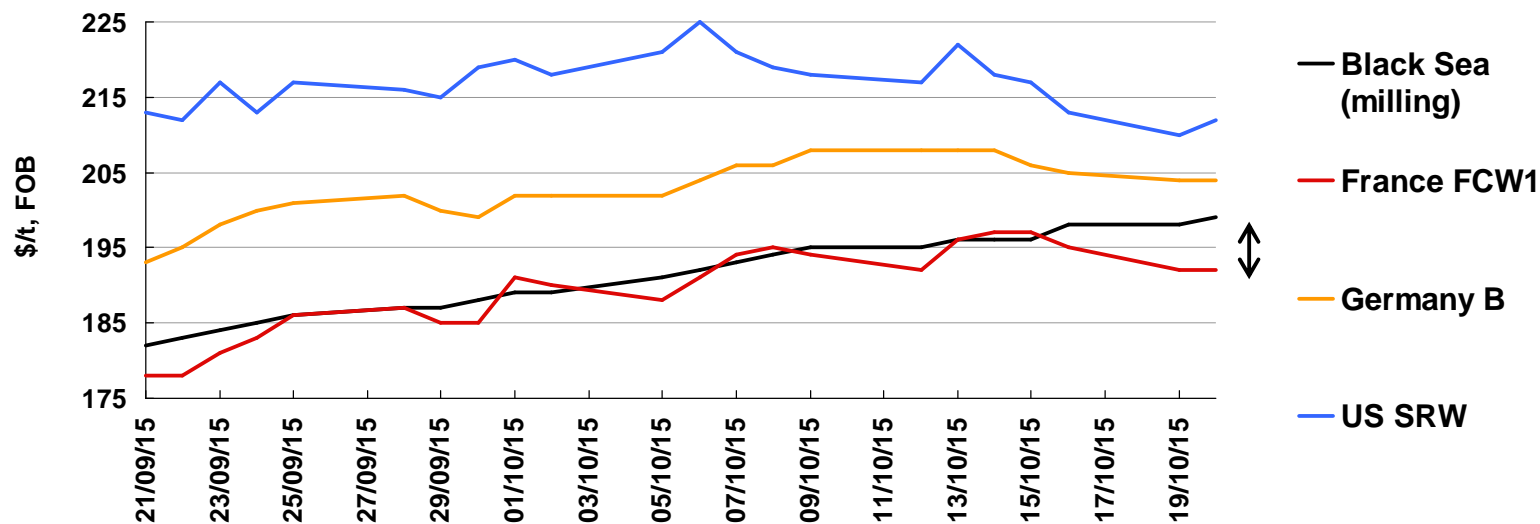
# WHEAT world trade



- Ukrainian crop: 60 % feed (x2 / p.y.)
- Brazilian feed wheat (rain at harvest): very competitive offers

	2014/15	2015/16	change
Total wheat	153,4	148,8	- 4,6
<b>Milling wheat</b>	118,9	115,3	- 3,6
<> Crops (+) Middle East & North Africa			
<b>Feed wheat</b>	11,3	12,0	+ 0,7
<> Availabilities in low & medium quality wheat, feed interest in Asia (CIF price)			
Durum	9,3	8,1	- 1,2
<> Crops (+) in the EU & North Africa			
Flour	13,9	13,5	- 0,4

# World wheat: the price war is raging



- Rising Ukr. feed wheat prices (exporters covering sales to Asian compouders)

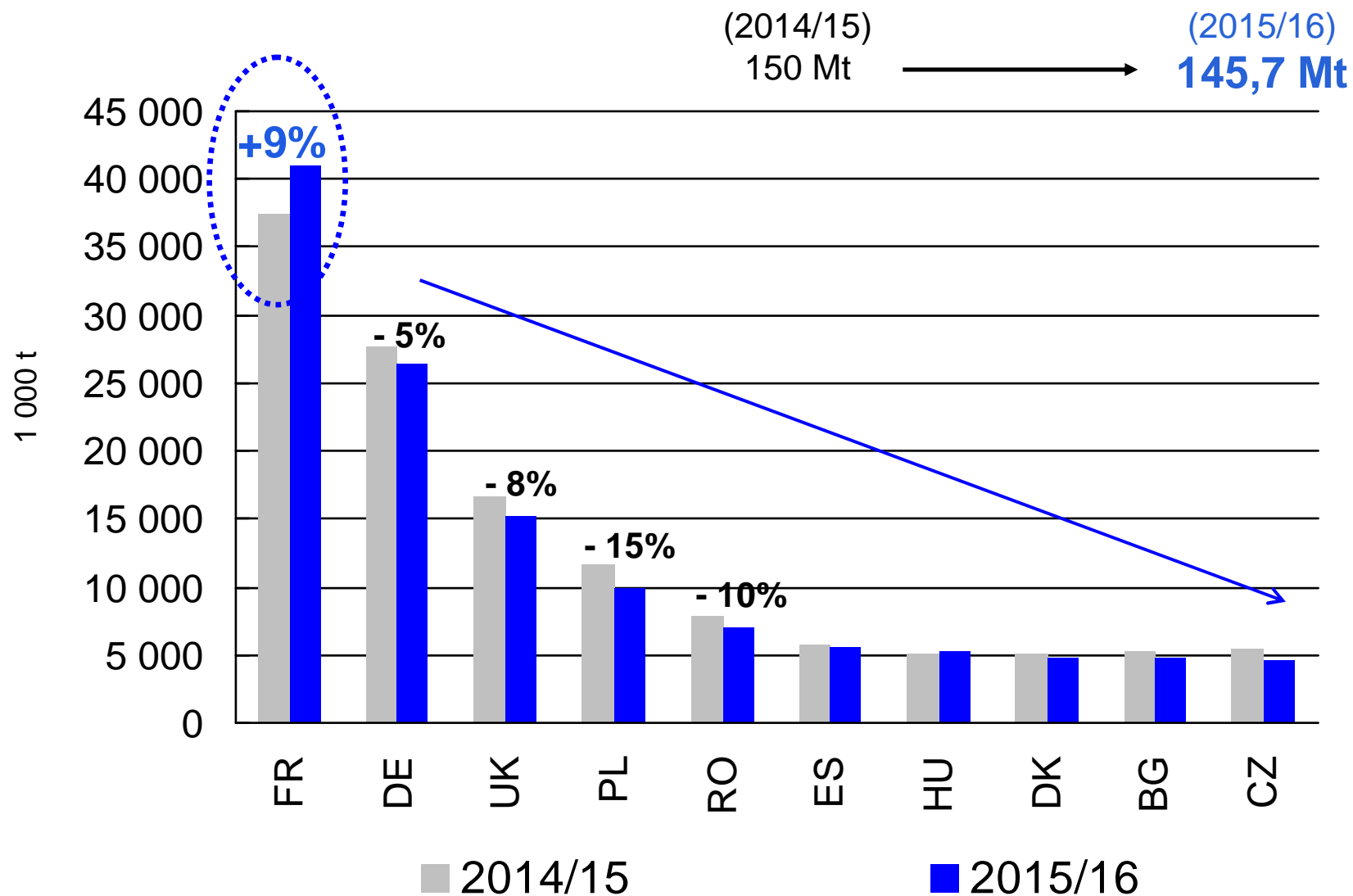
Data: UAC		Mktg year to date		shipped / forecast
Exports, 1 000 t	2015/16			
July	1 076	1 076		8%
August	2 201	3 277		25%
Septembre	2 330	5 607		43%
Forecast		<b>13 000</b>		
(Prod.		24 200)		

- Rising Russian prices (firm RUB, intervention price increase)

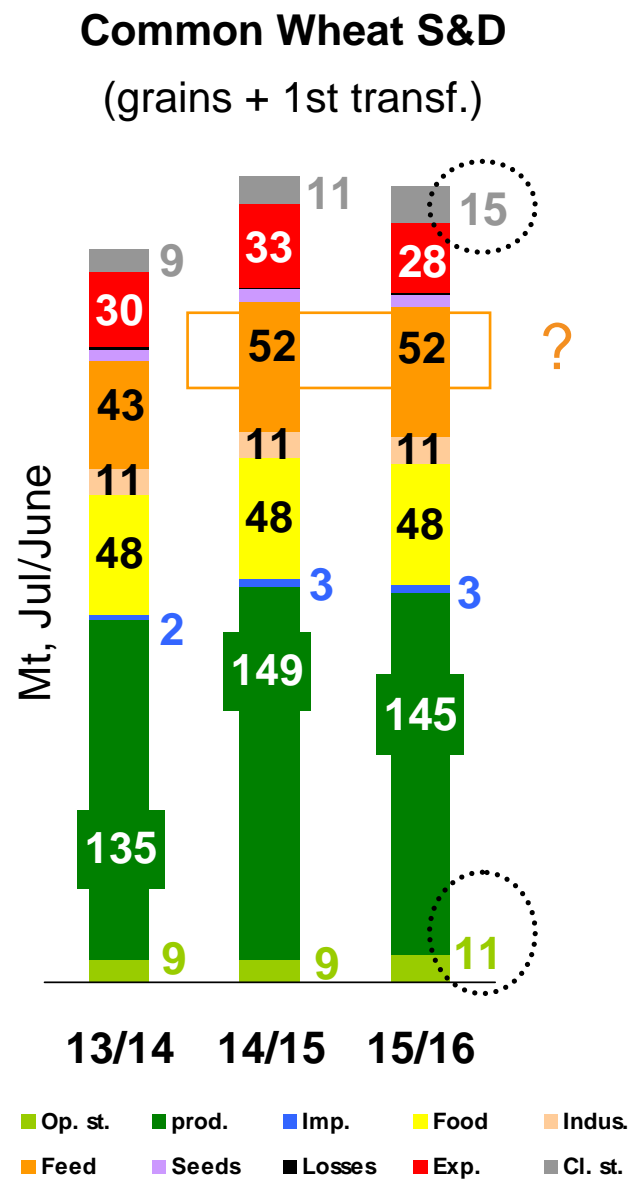
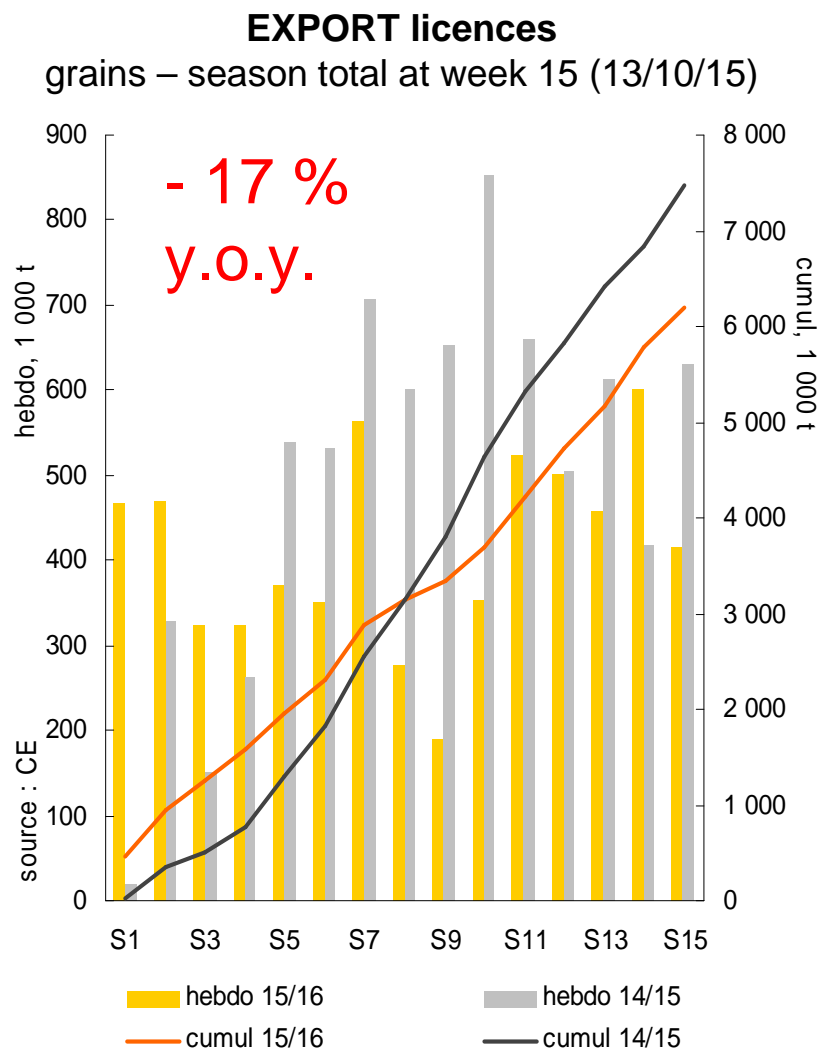
- French price: at parity with Black Sea

- **recent deals: very aggressive prices out of the EU**

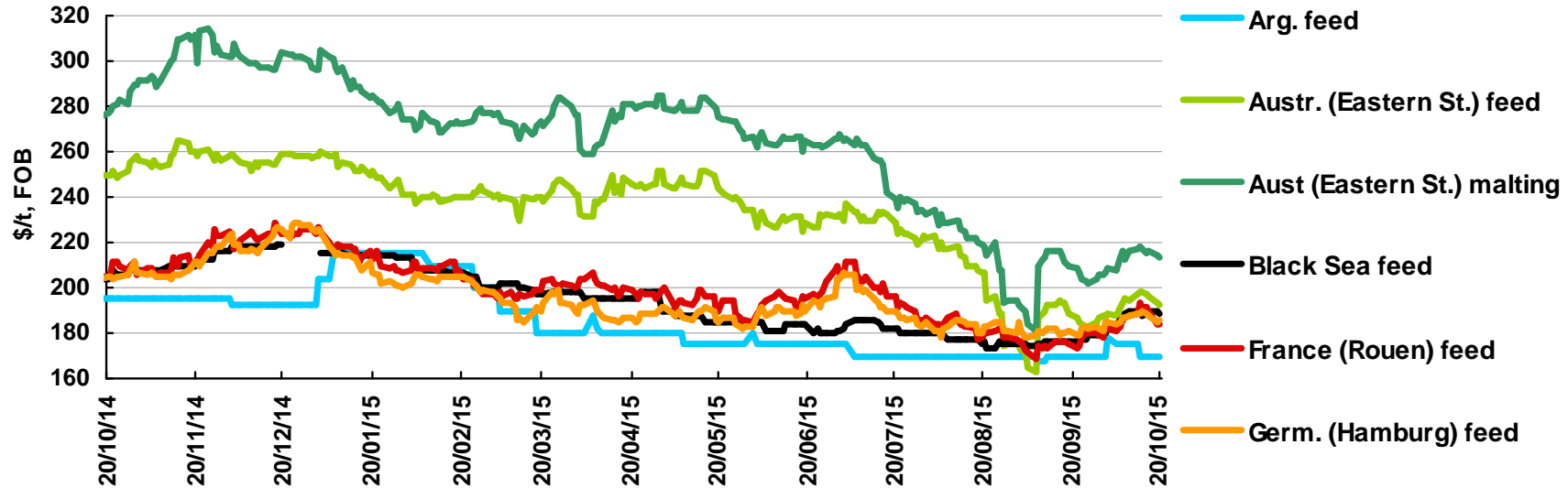
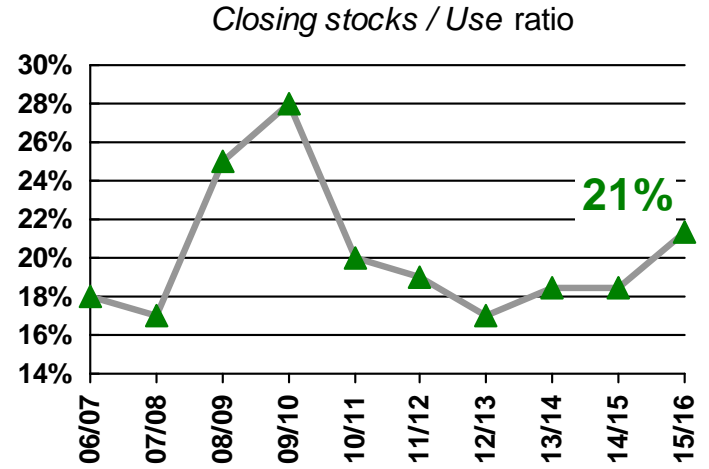
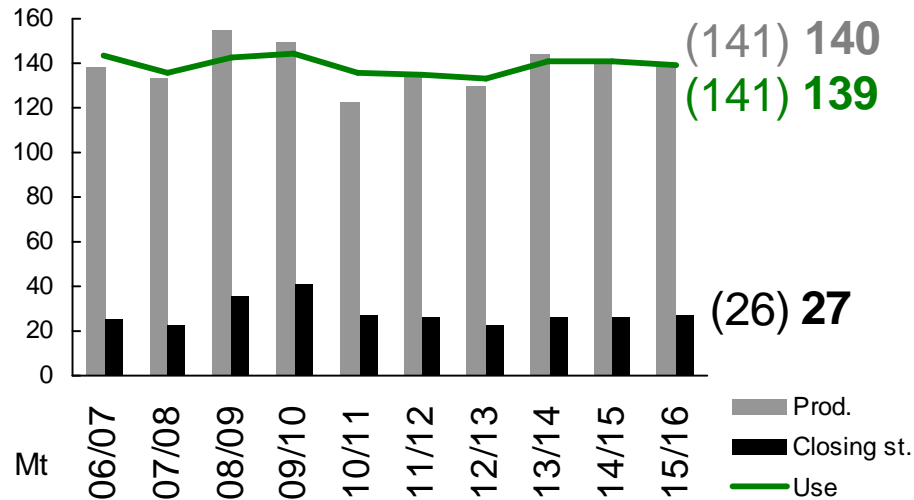
# EU – WHEAT production



# EU – WHEAT S&D estimate



# World BARLEY fundamentals & prices



# World BARLEY market: what level of competition shall we see?

## Ukraine : how much is left?

Data: UAC	2015/16	Mktg year to date	shipped / forecast
Exports, 1 000 t			
July	974	974	29%
August	1 121	2 095	62%
Septembre	782	<b>2 877</b>	85%
Forecast		<b>3 400</b>	
(Prod.		8 060	

Ukraine : sold out?

Russia ~ 1/3 done

Baltique: almost sold out?

**>>> towards a tight world barley S&D situation?**

## Australia : how much will there be?

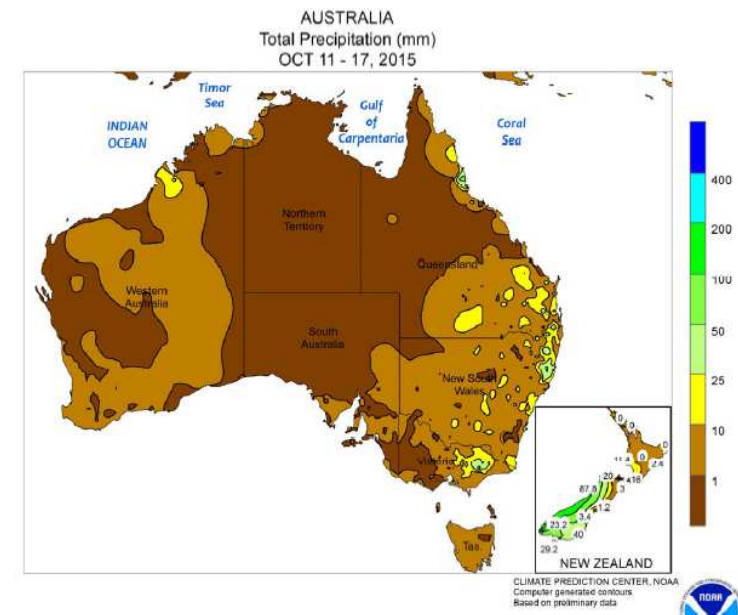
Data: ABARES, 15/09/15	13/14	14/15	15/16
(April/March) barley prod.	9,2	<b>8,0</b>	<b>8,6</b>

?

dryness & temperatures should rise by the end of 2015

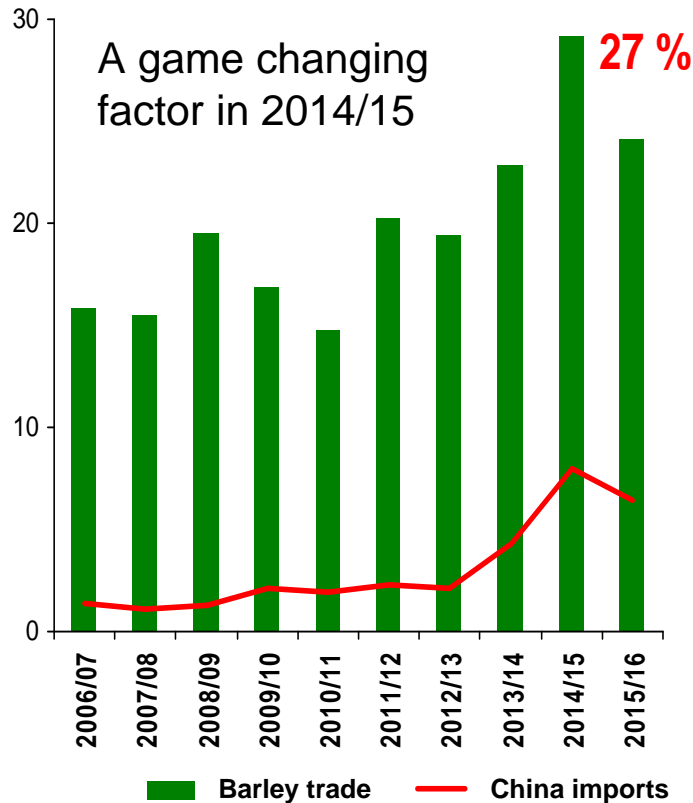
>>> decrease in grain yields (& grass)?

>>> impact on exportable surplus?



# China: what level of support to the feed market in 2015/16 ?

## Restrictive import measures & a struggling economy



A burdensome domestic **maize stock to draw down**

- Since January 2015 : Maize import licences subordinate to purchase made out of intervention stock
- 2015/16 : maize support price expected to decrease
- since September 1st, 2015 : **Barley**, sorghum, distillers' grains import **licences introduced**
- Currently: Quality controls at ports (unloading delays)

**Australian prices down**, reflecting less Chinese demand

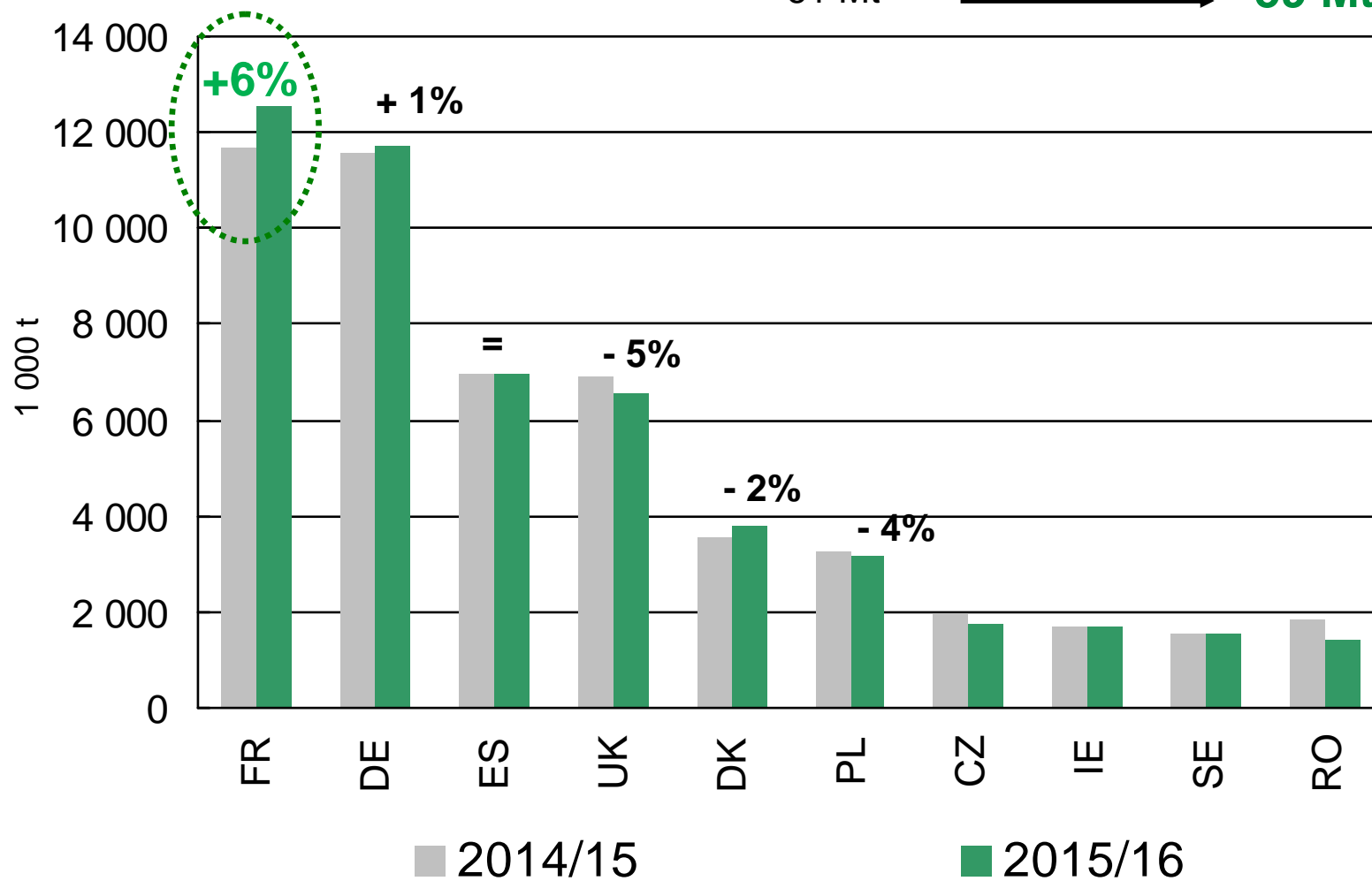
**>>> towards a heavy barley S&D situation?**



# EU – BARLEY production

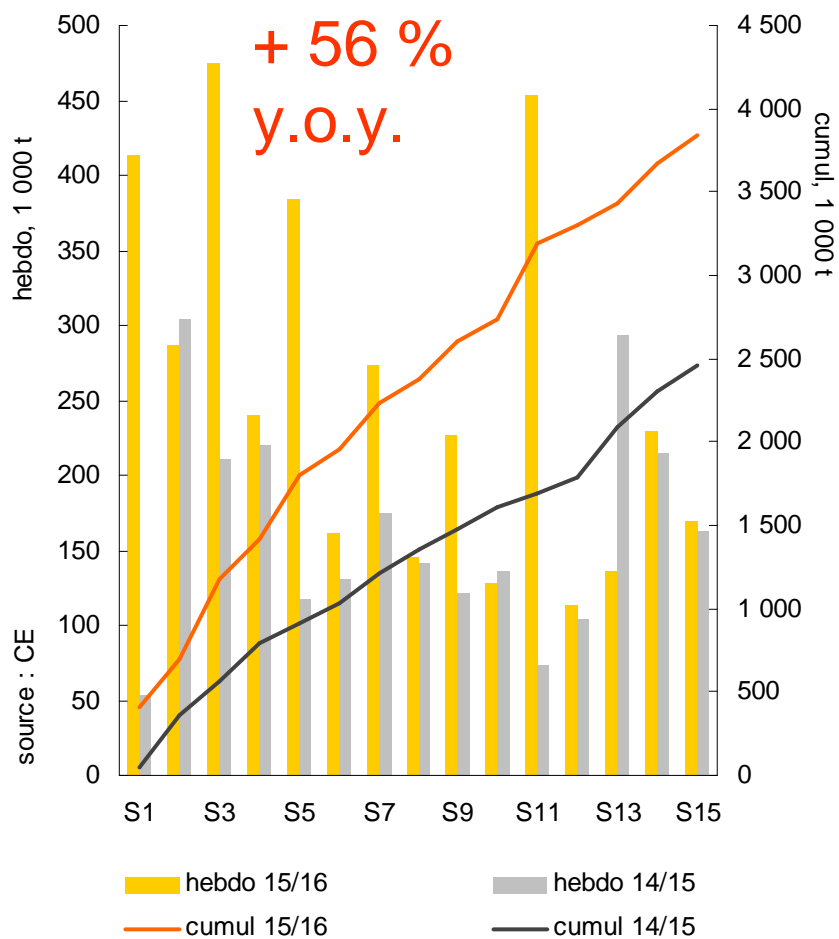
(2014/15)  
61 Mt

(2015/16)  
**59 Mt**

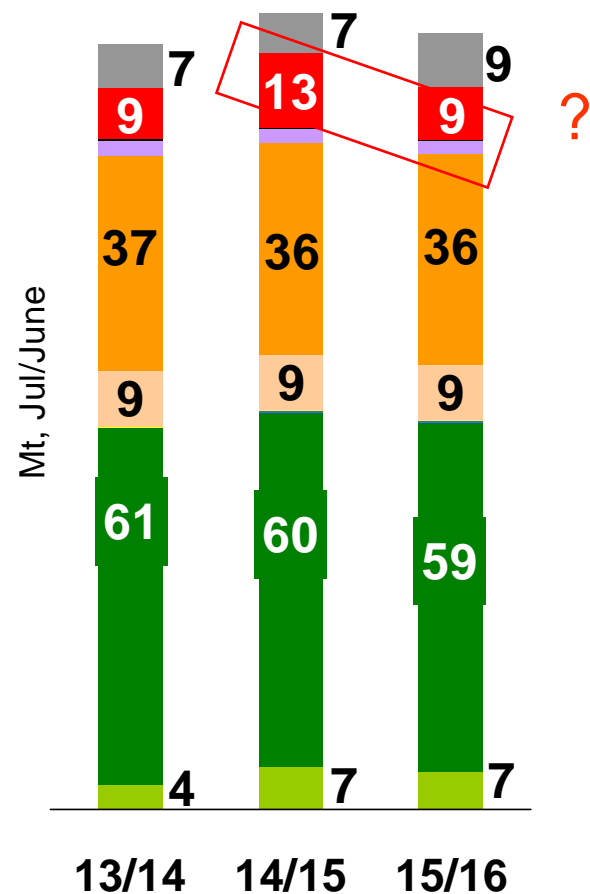


# EU – BARLEY S&D estimate

## EXPORT licences grains – season total at week 15 (13/10/15)

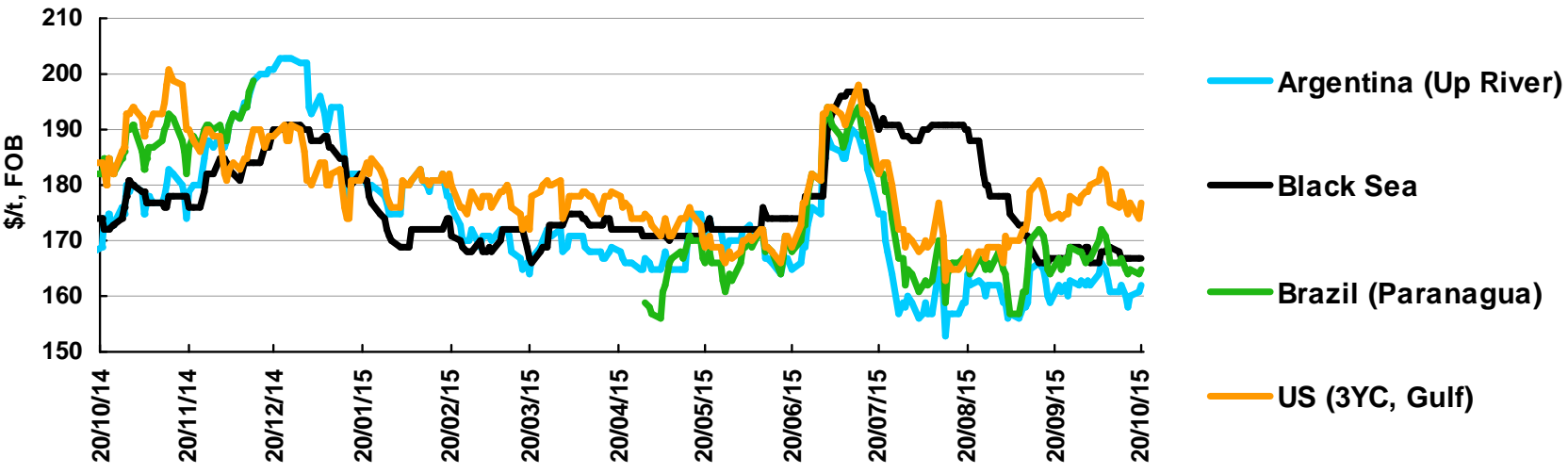
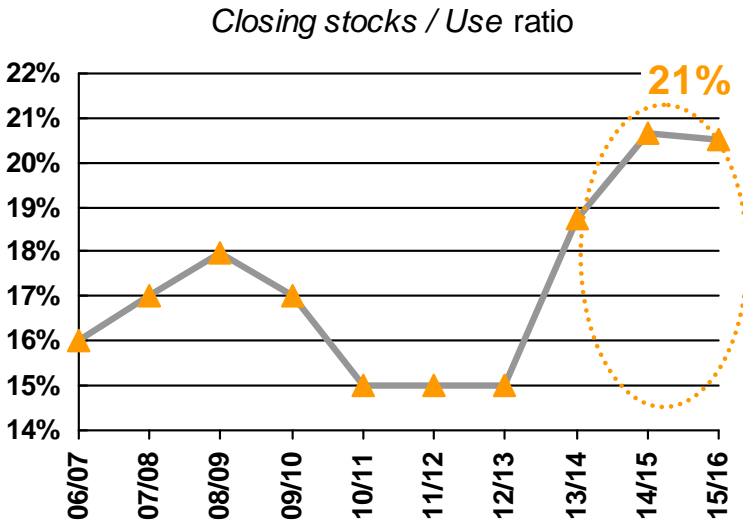
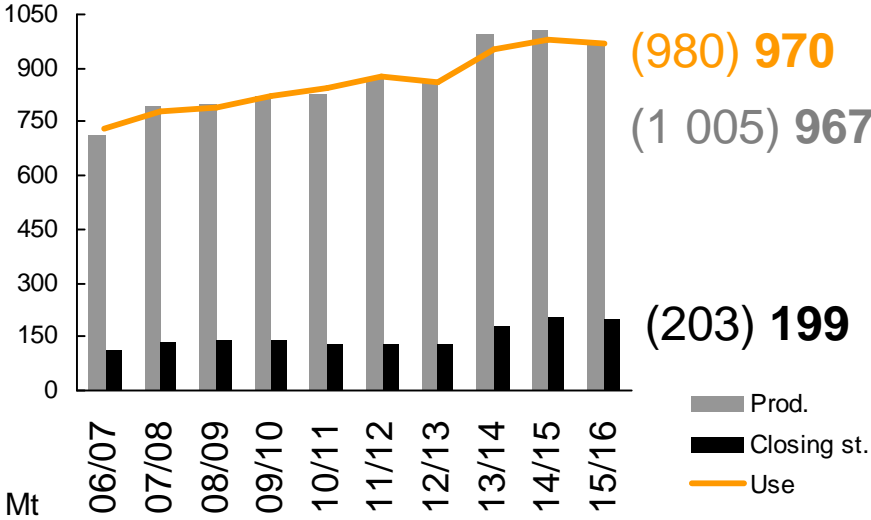


## Barley S&D (grains + 1st transf.)

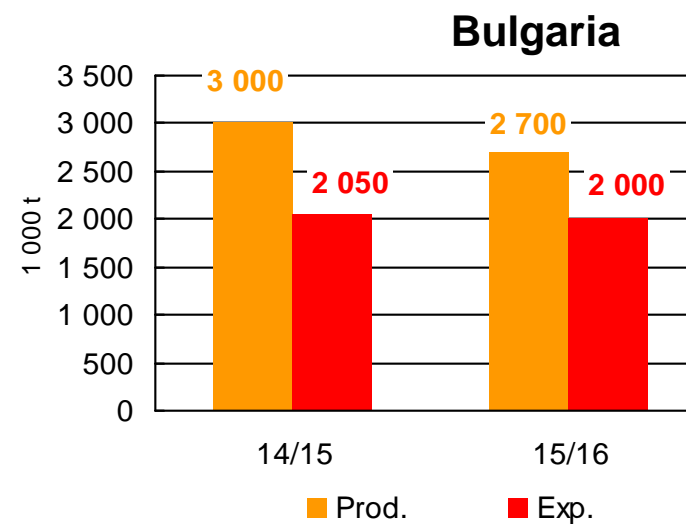
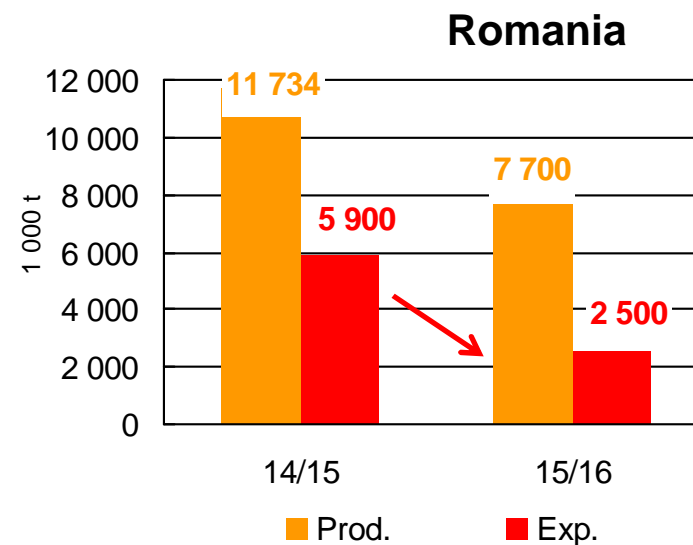
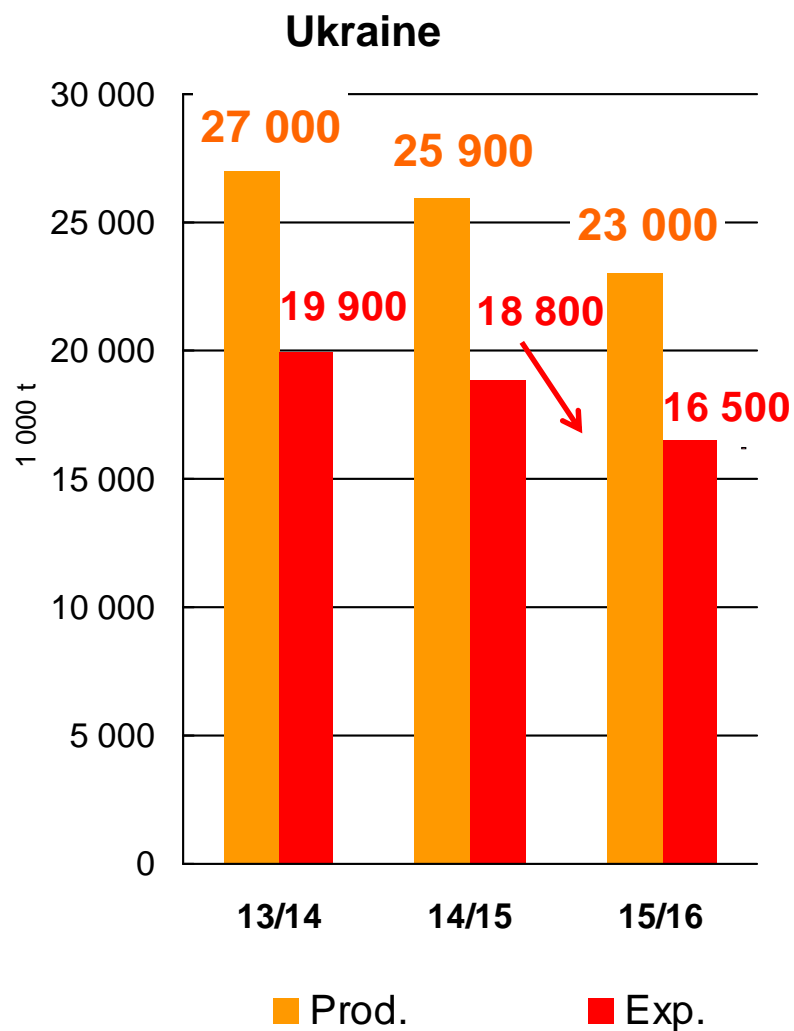


Op. st. prod. Imp. Food Indus.  
Feed Seeds Losses Exp. Cl. st.

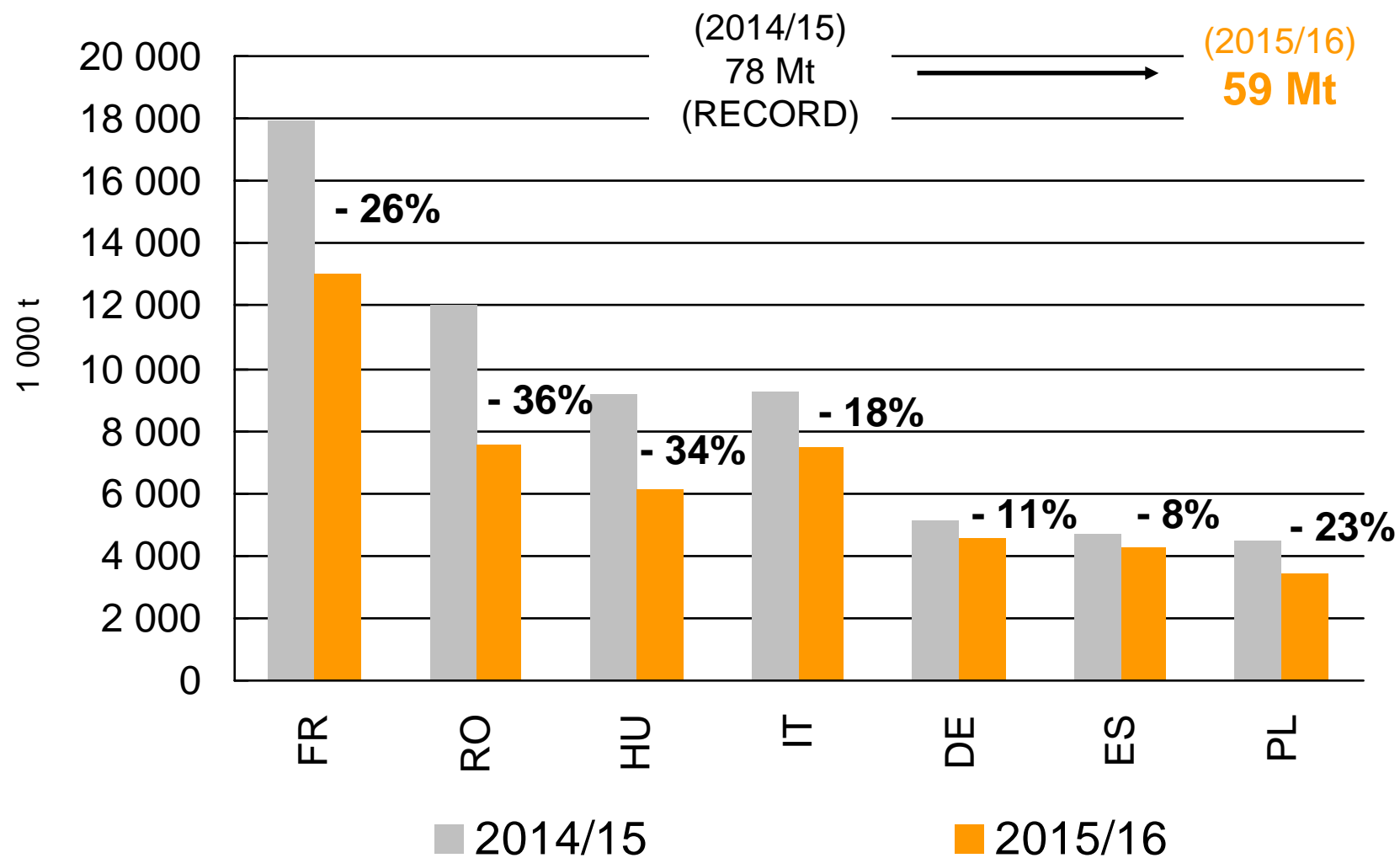
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# Black Sea maize: the price of dry conditions

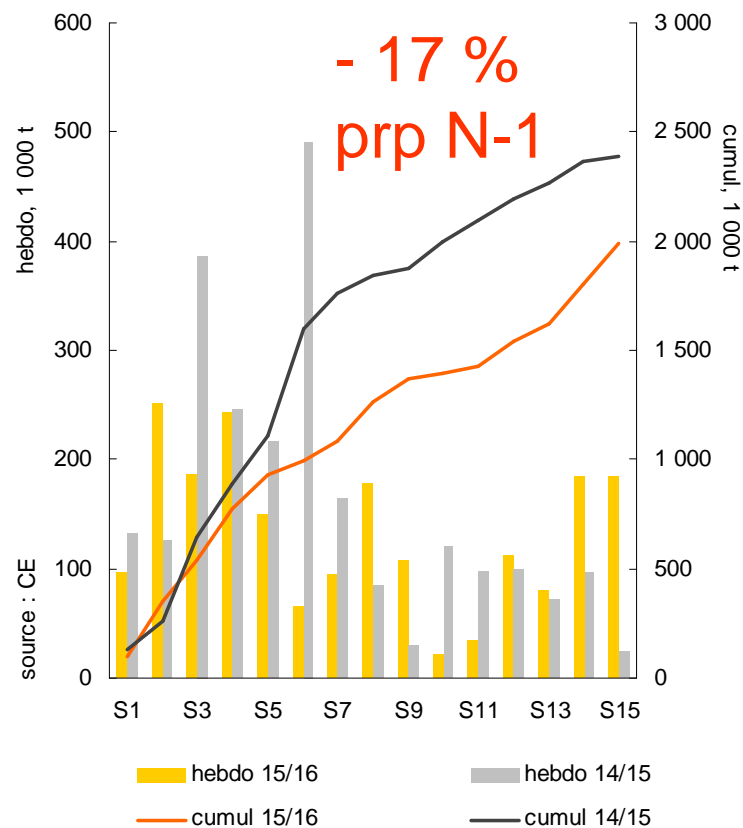


## EU – MAIZE production (forecast)



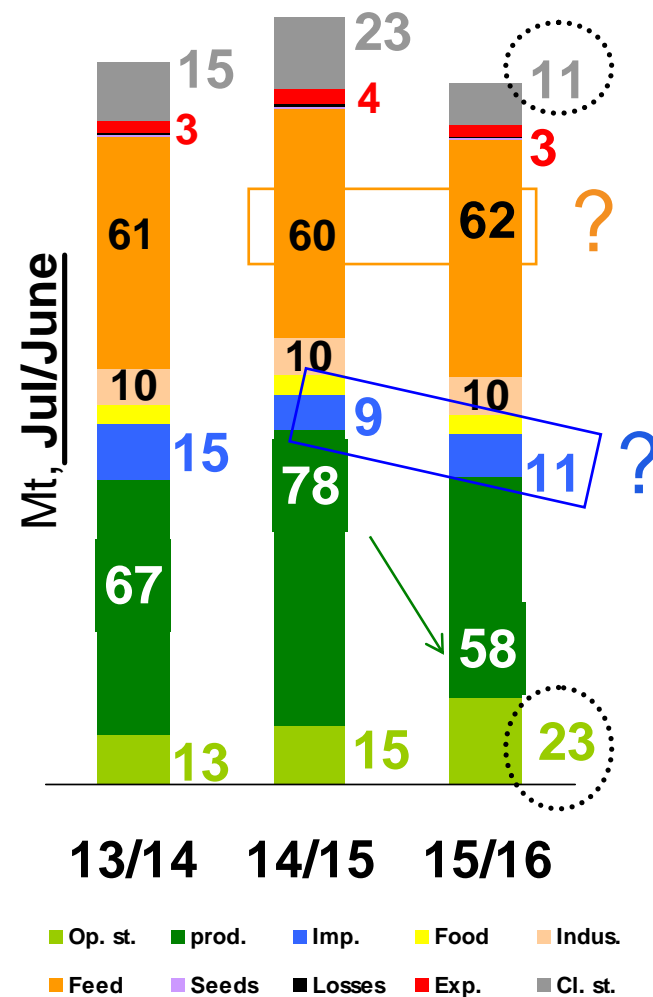
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grains – season total at week 15 (13/10/15)

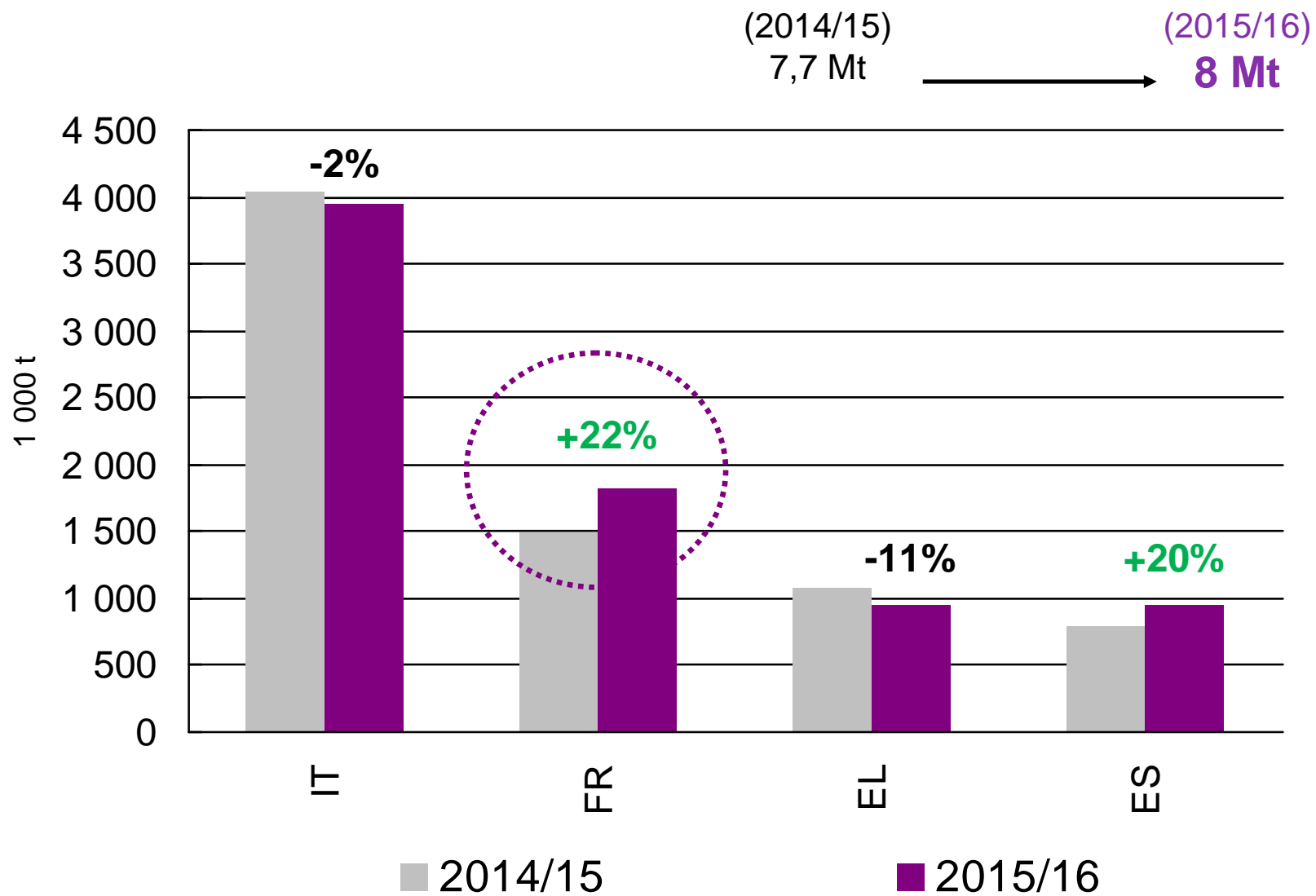


Shall we see a higher import interest than last year?

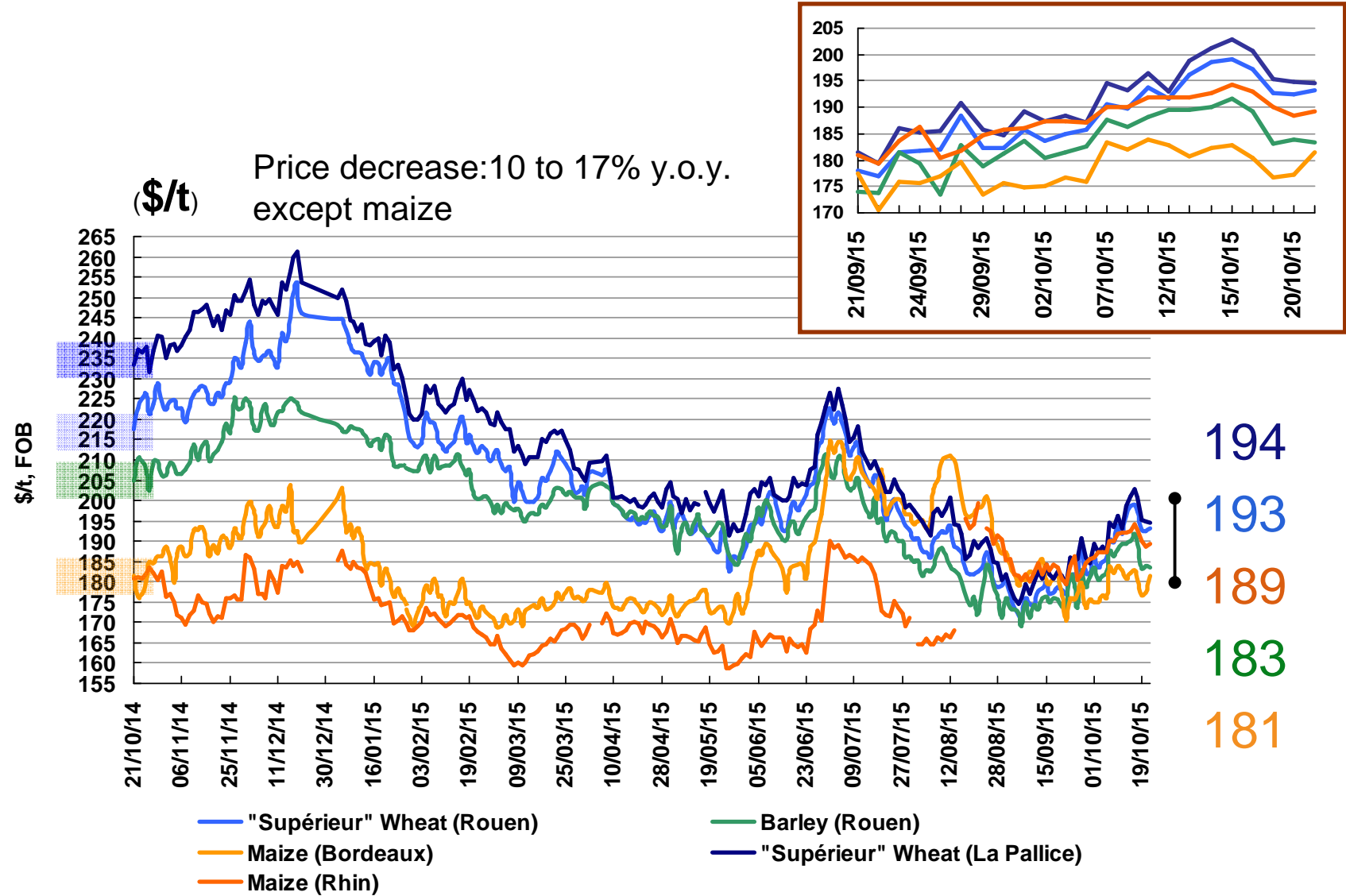
**Maize S&D**  
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# EU – DURUM production

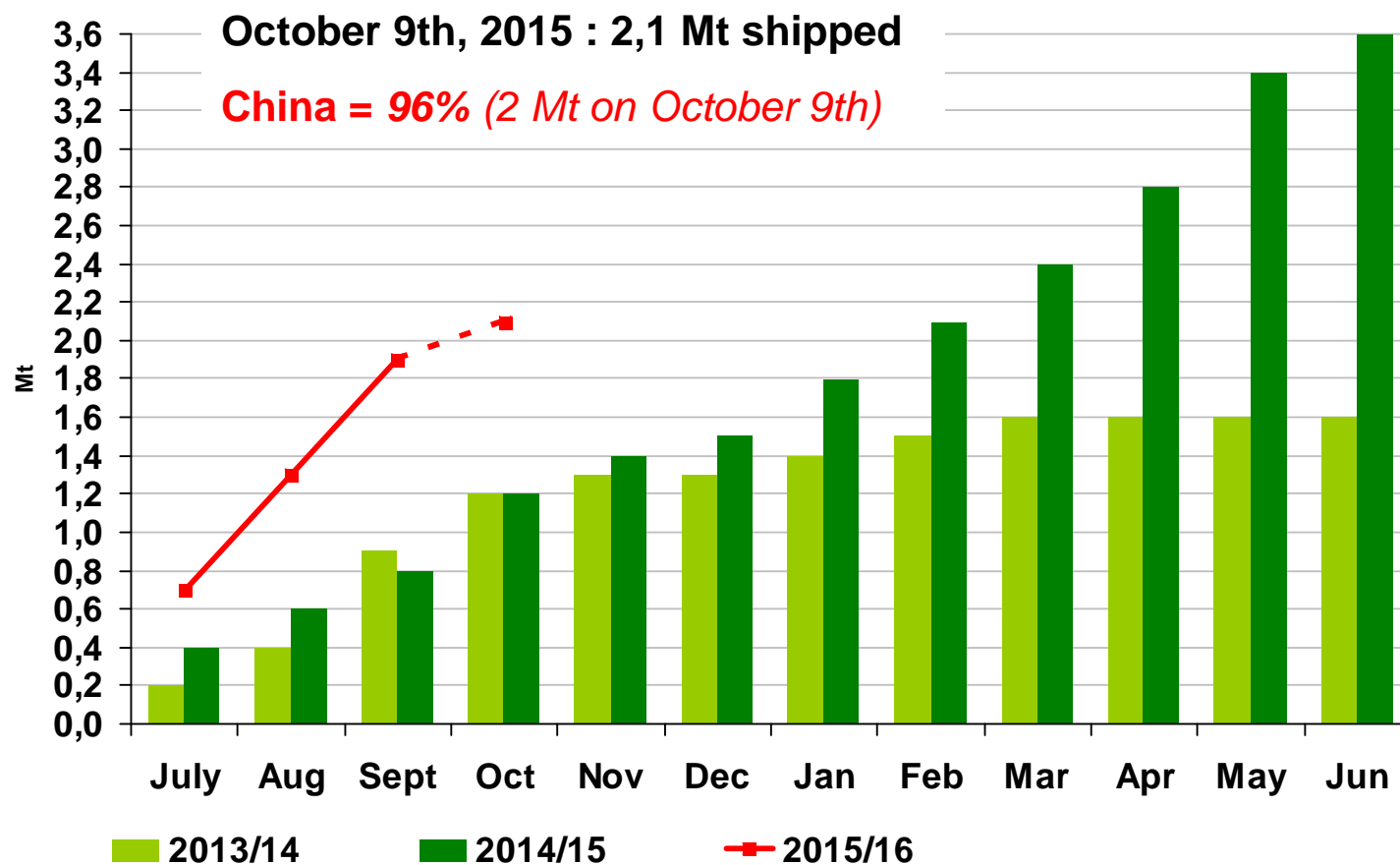


# French cereals – export prices

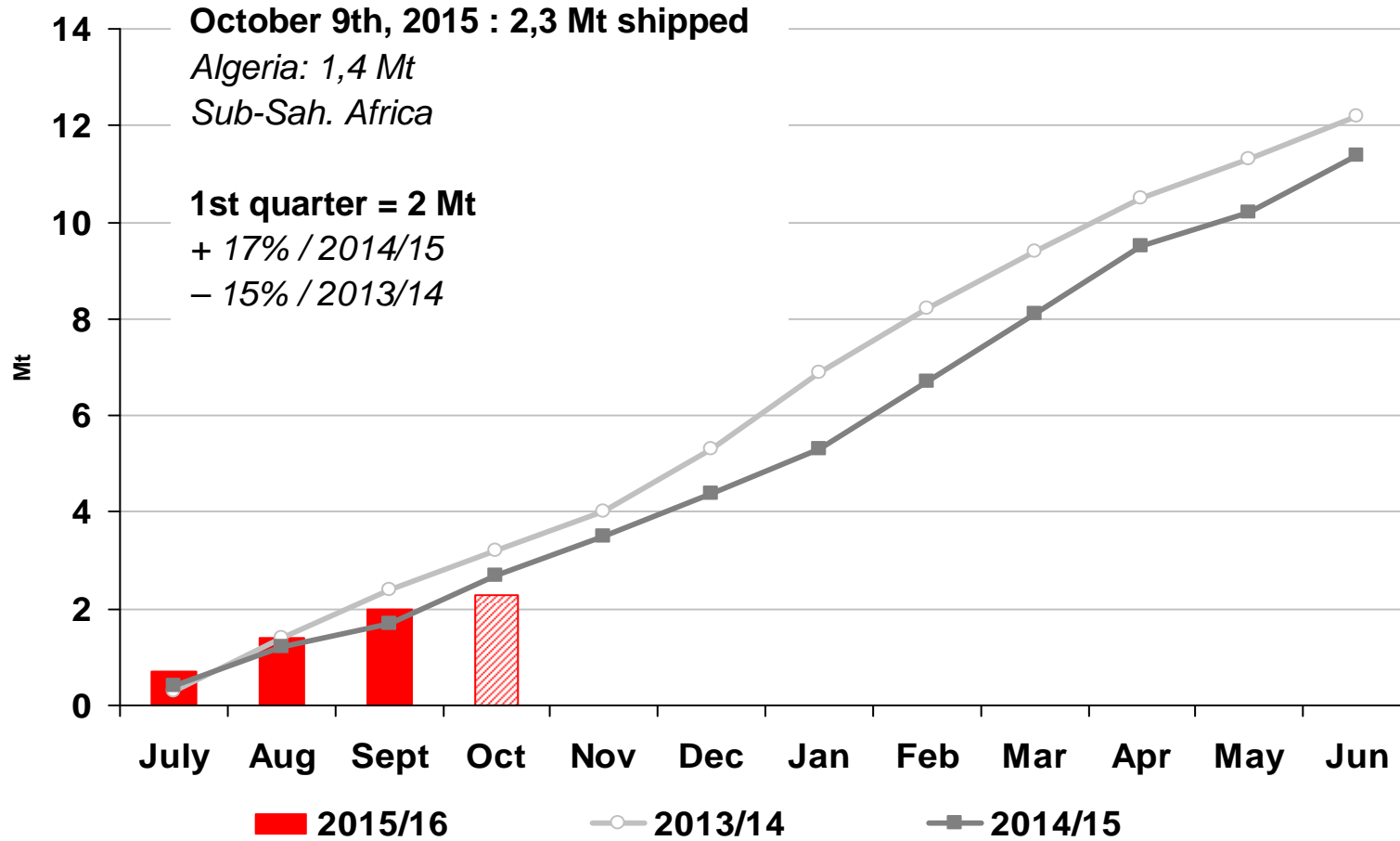




# BARLEY: shipments from French ports to third-countries (season total)



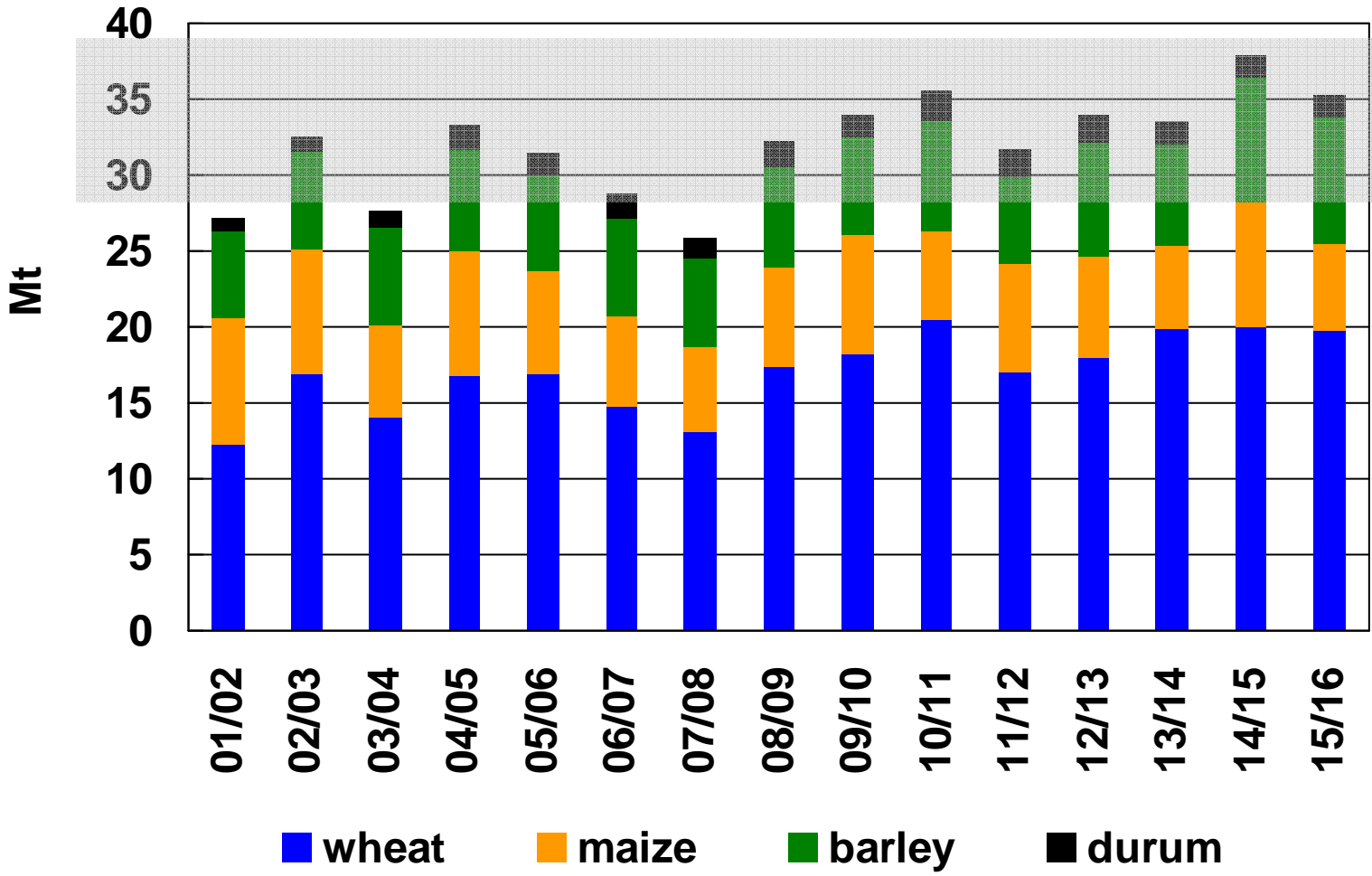
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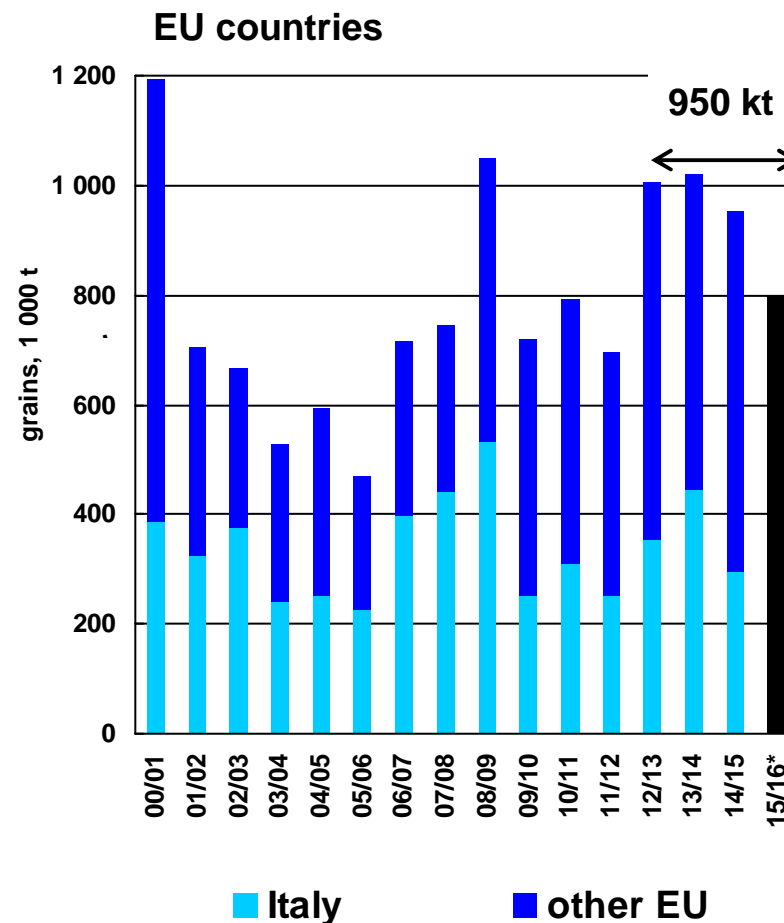
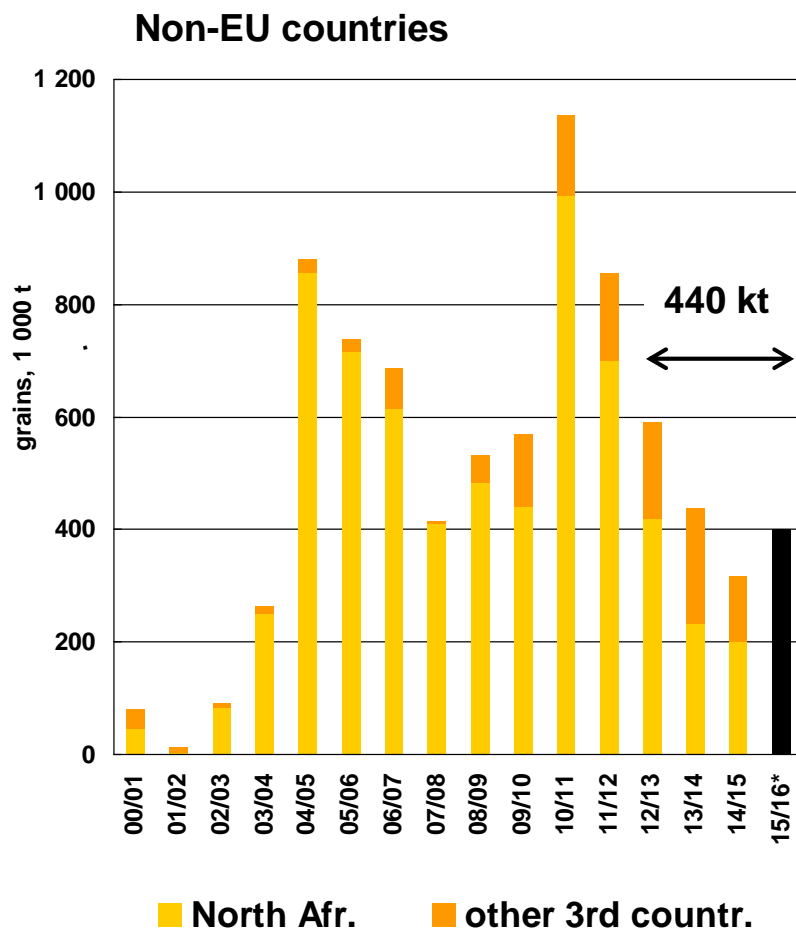
# **The French grain balances in the international context**

# French cereals exports (grains and 1<sup>st</sup> transf. products)

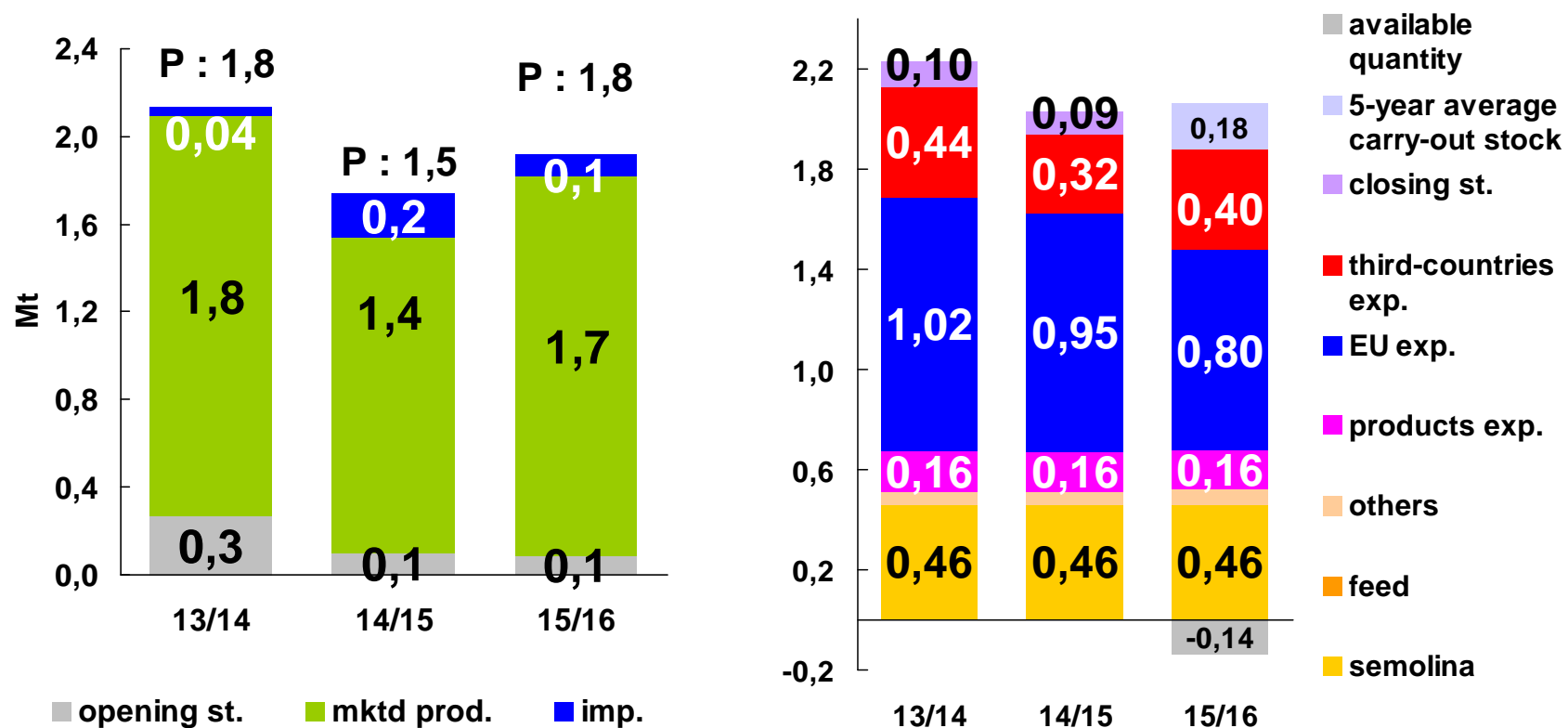


# French DURUM exports

- 5 y. av: 1,5 Mt
- 13/14 & 14/15: decrease in durum area

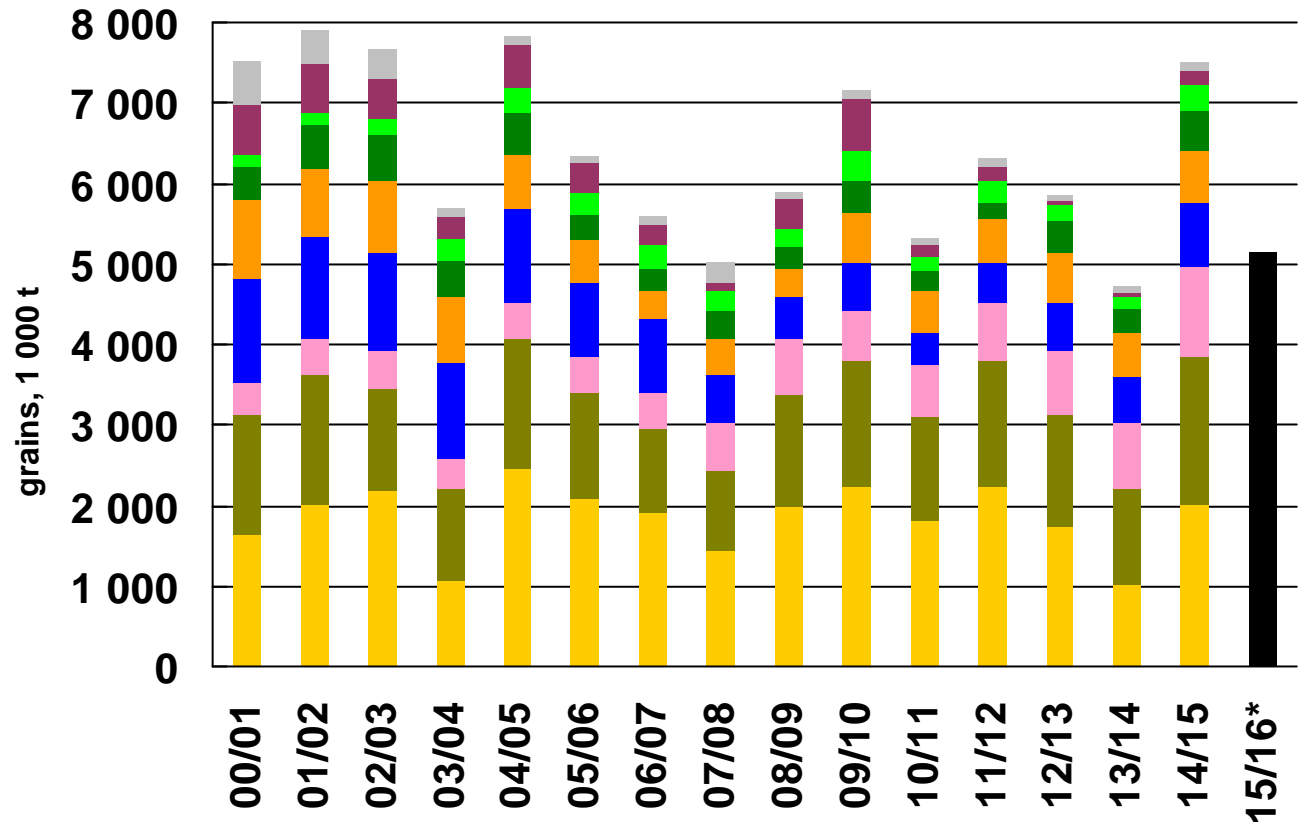


# French DURUM balance



- Decrease in area: -1/3 within 2 years
- 2015/16, plan to boost durum production: on our way

# French MAIZE exports to EU countries

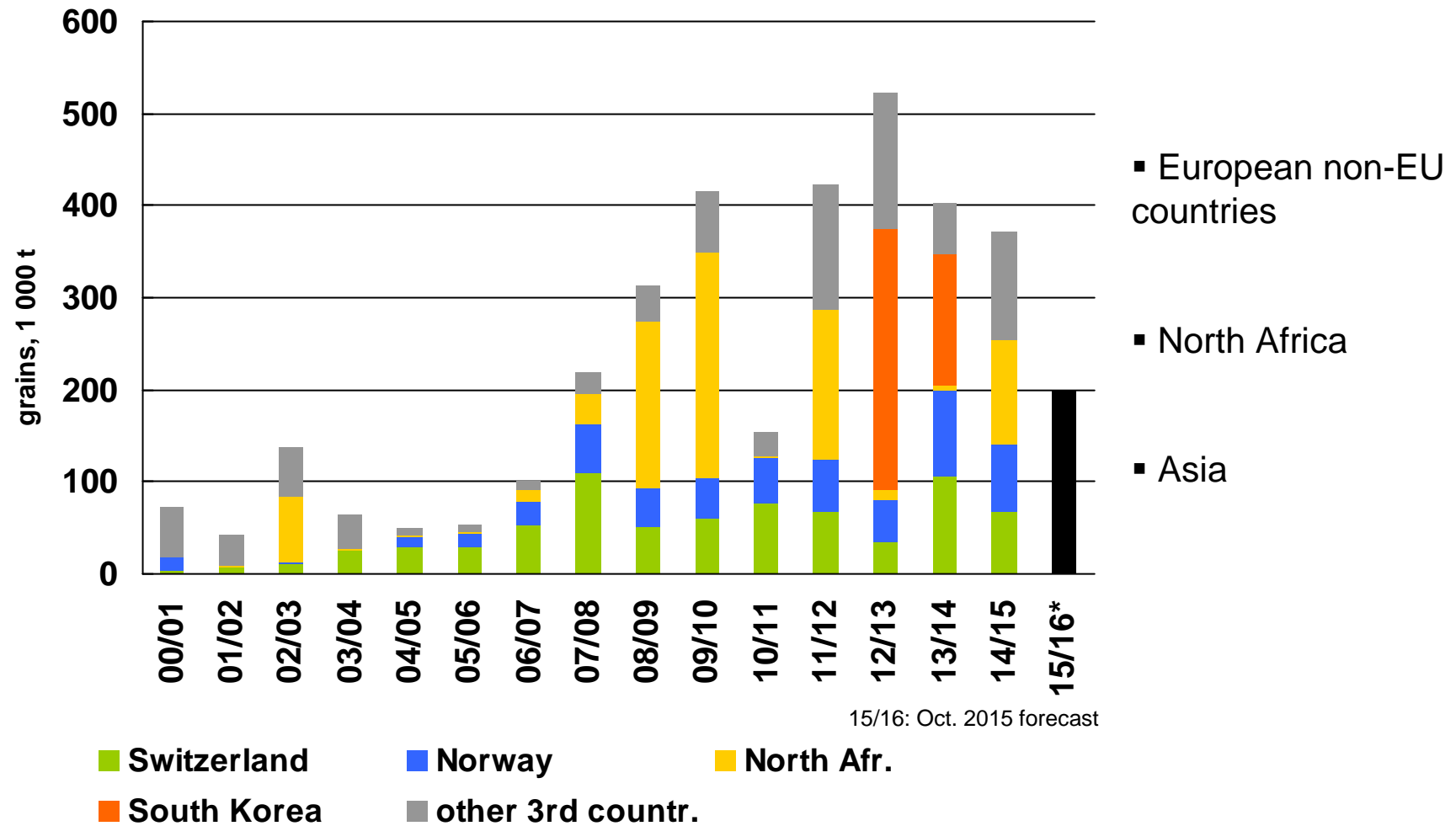


- + Spain, Northern EU
- Competition from the Ukraine (South EU)
- 14/15: availabilities, import duty in the EU, Ukr maize to China
- 15/16: feed wheat availabilities # maize availabilities

15/16: Oct. 2015 forecast

■ ES  
 ■ NL  
 ■ BE  
 ■ UK  
 ■ DE  
 ■ IT  
 ■ IE  
 ■ PT  
 ■ other EU

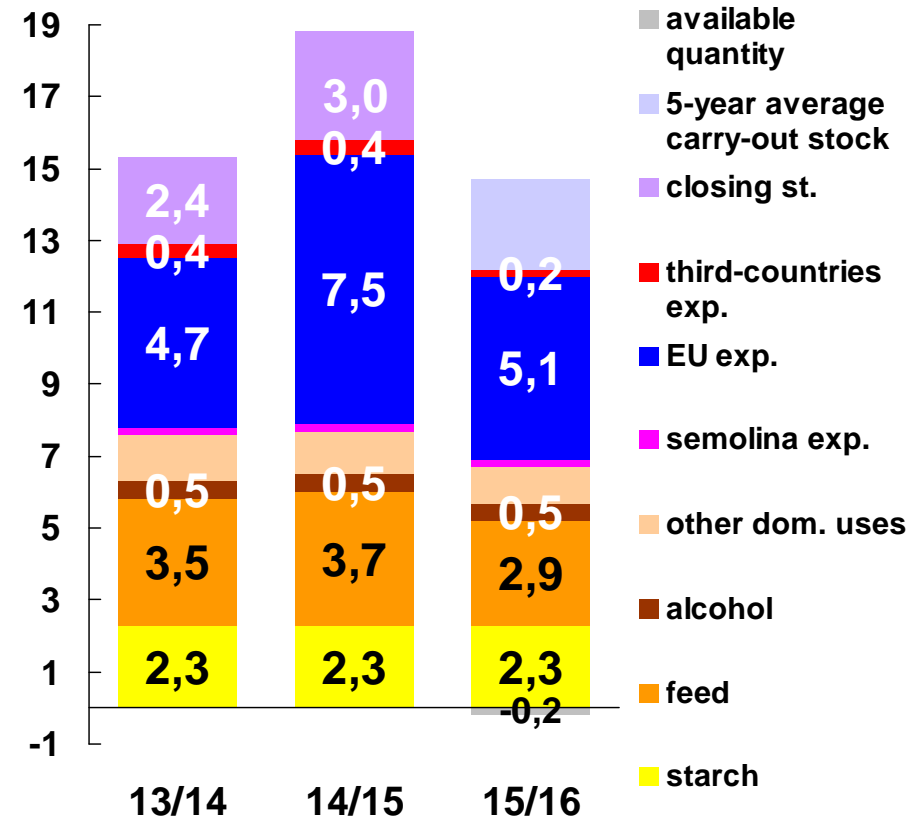
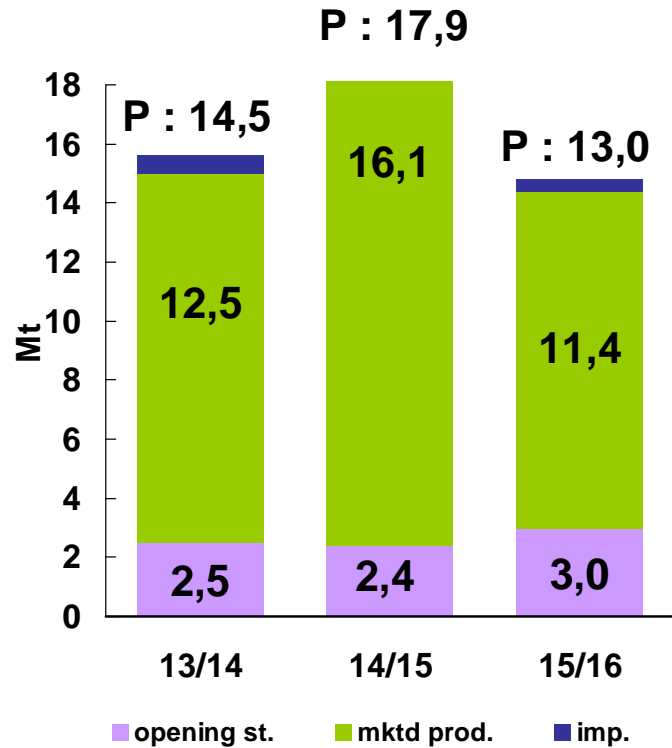
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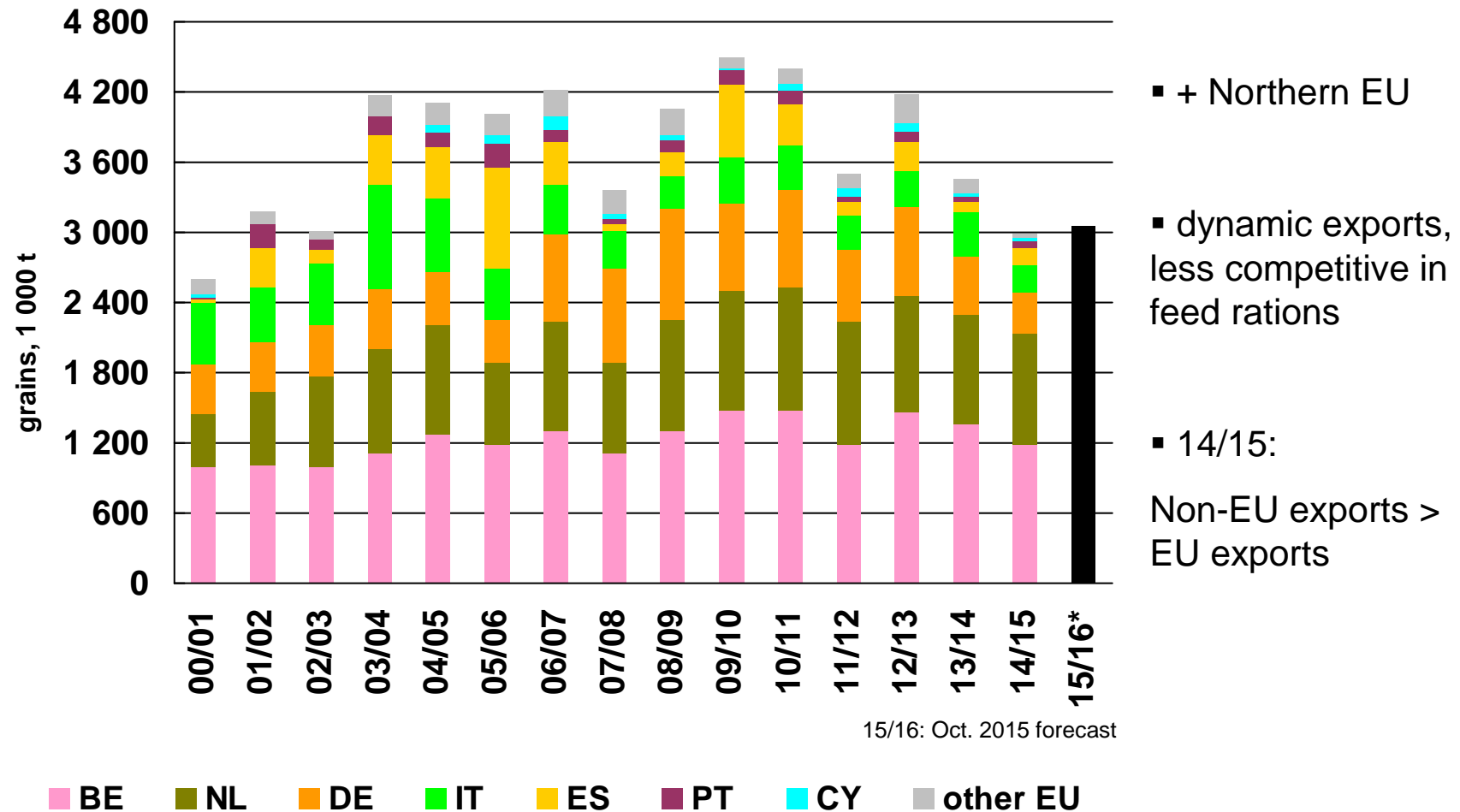
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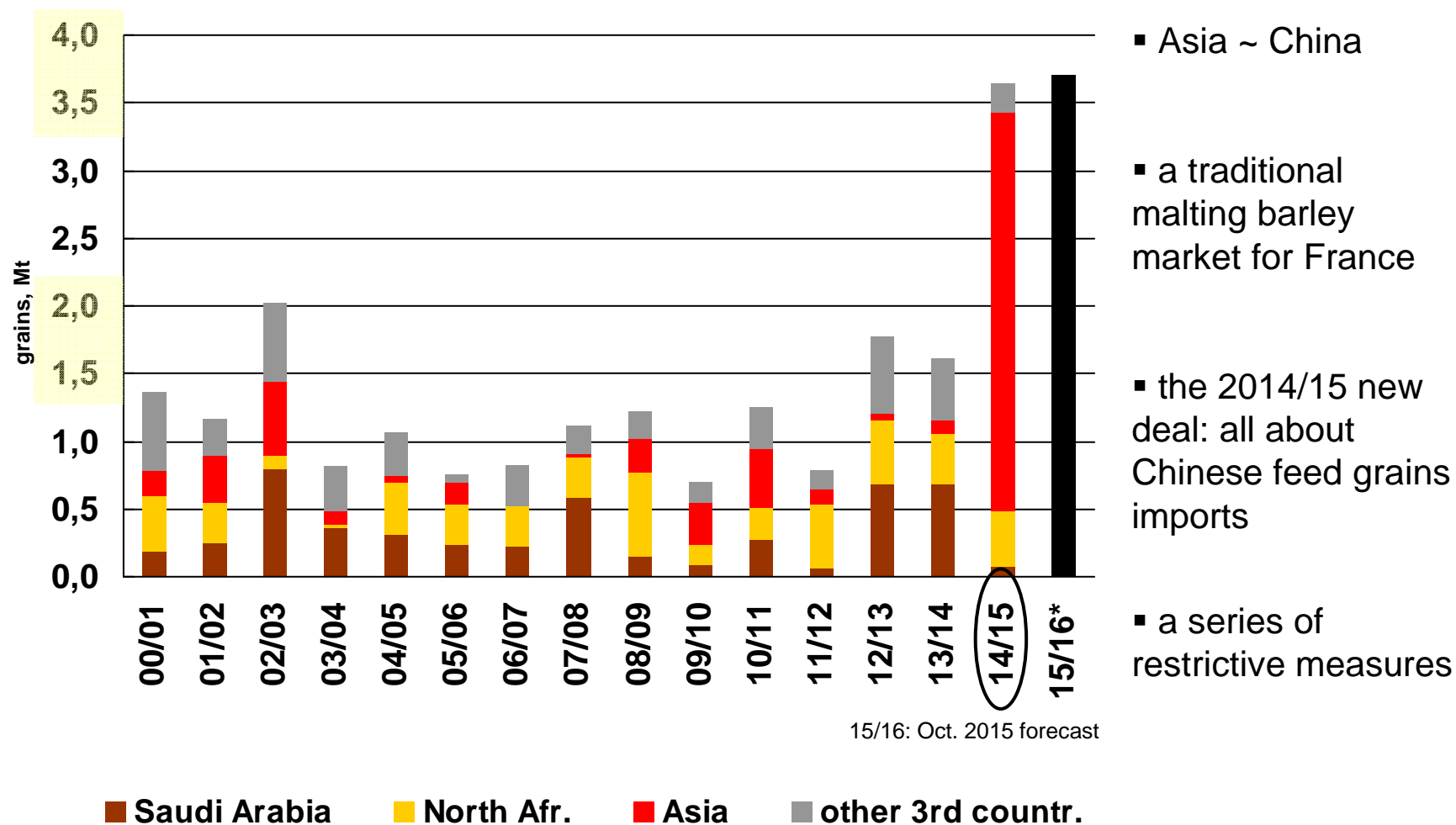


- Area & yield down
- 2014/15: an absolute record
- Opening st.: total supply near 2013/14
- Feed: relative prices with wheat
- Estimated export consistent with estimated availabilities (updates to come)

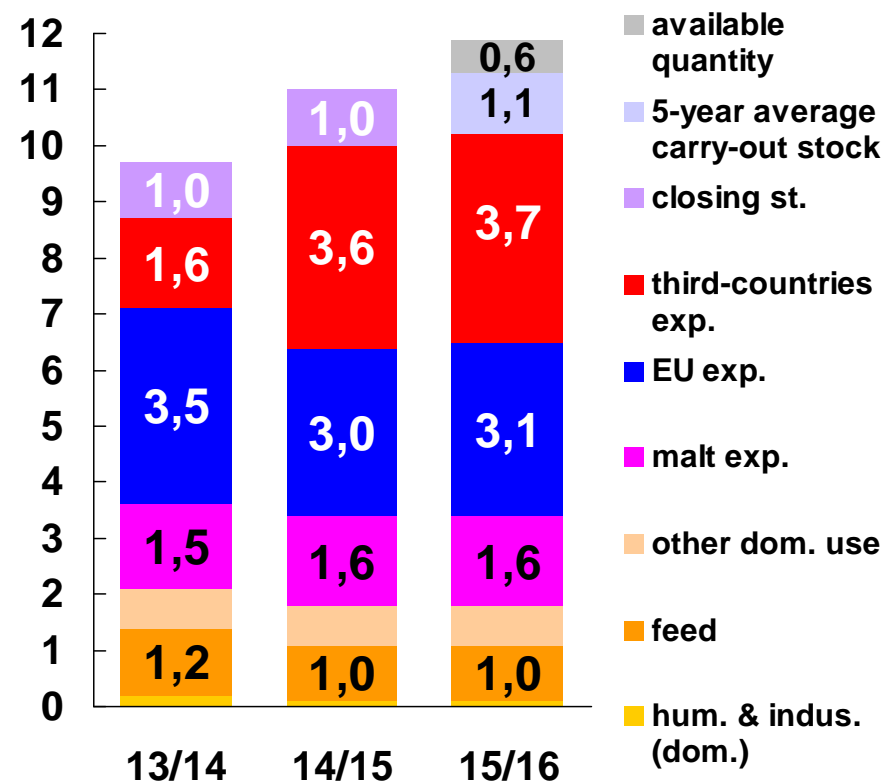
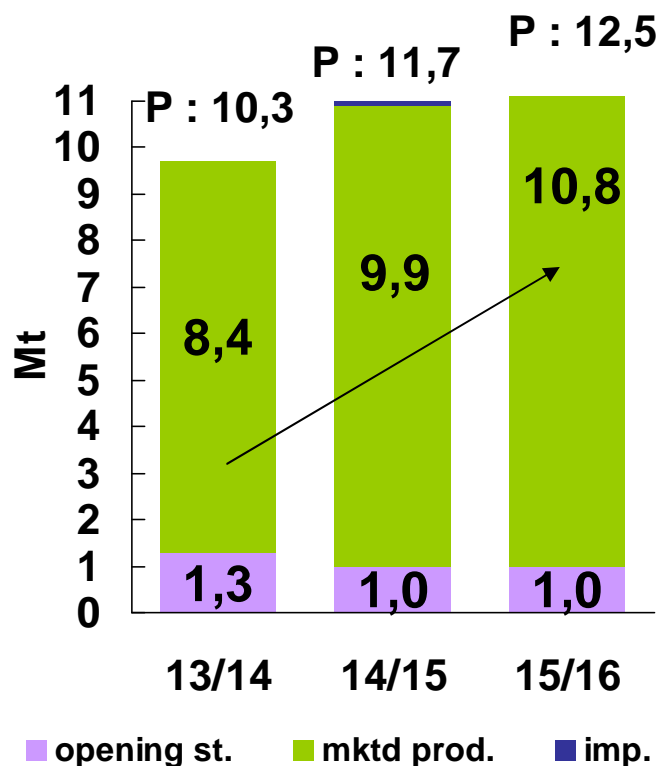
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# French BARLEY exports to non-EU countries: a dramatic change from 2014/15

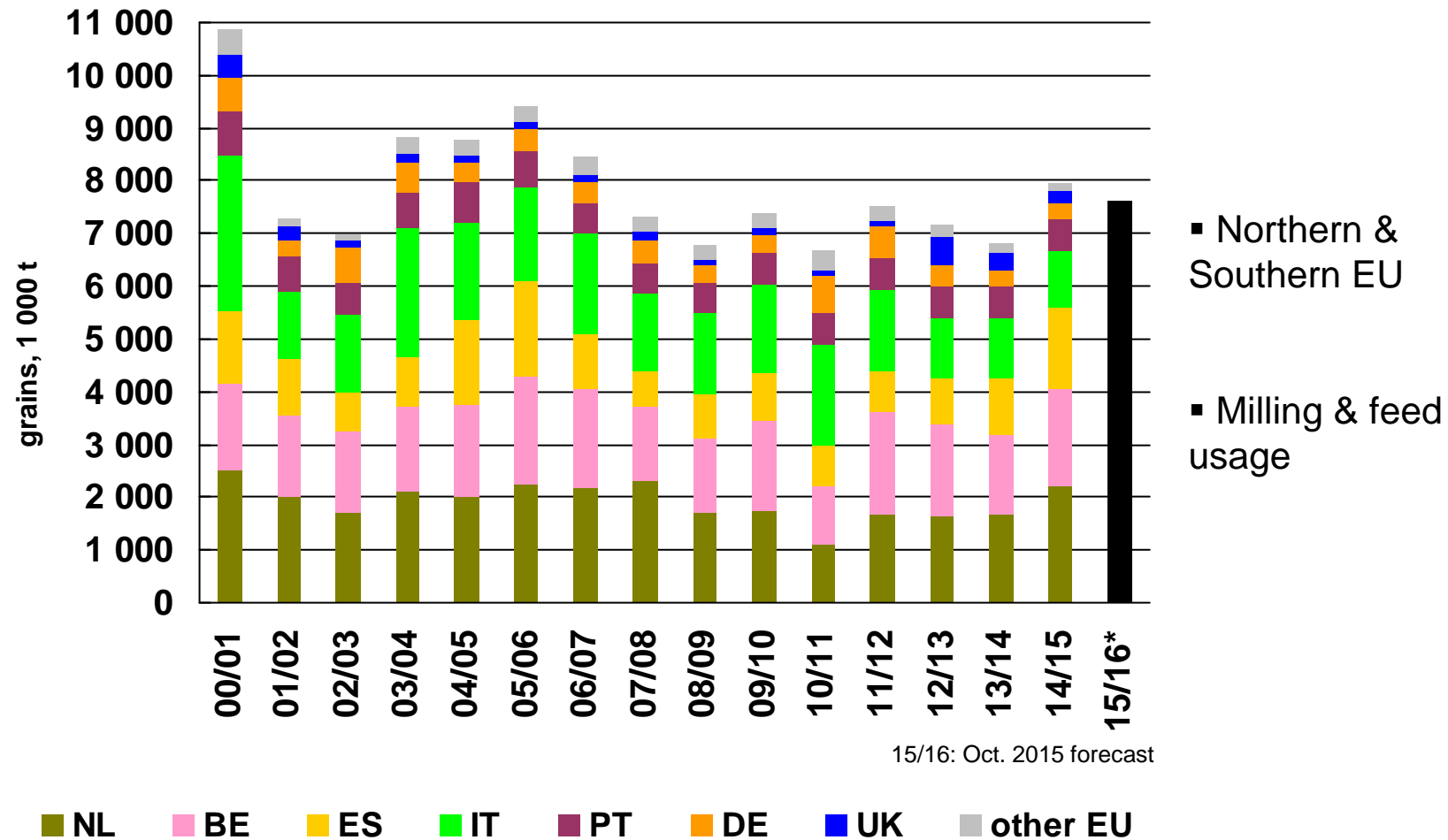


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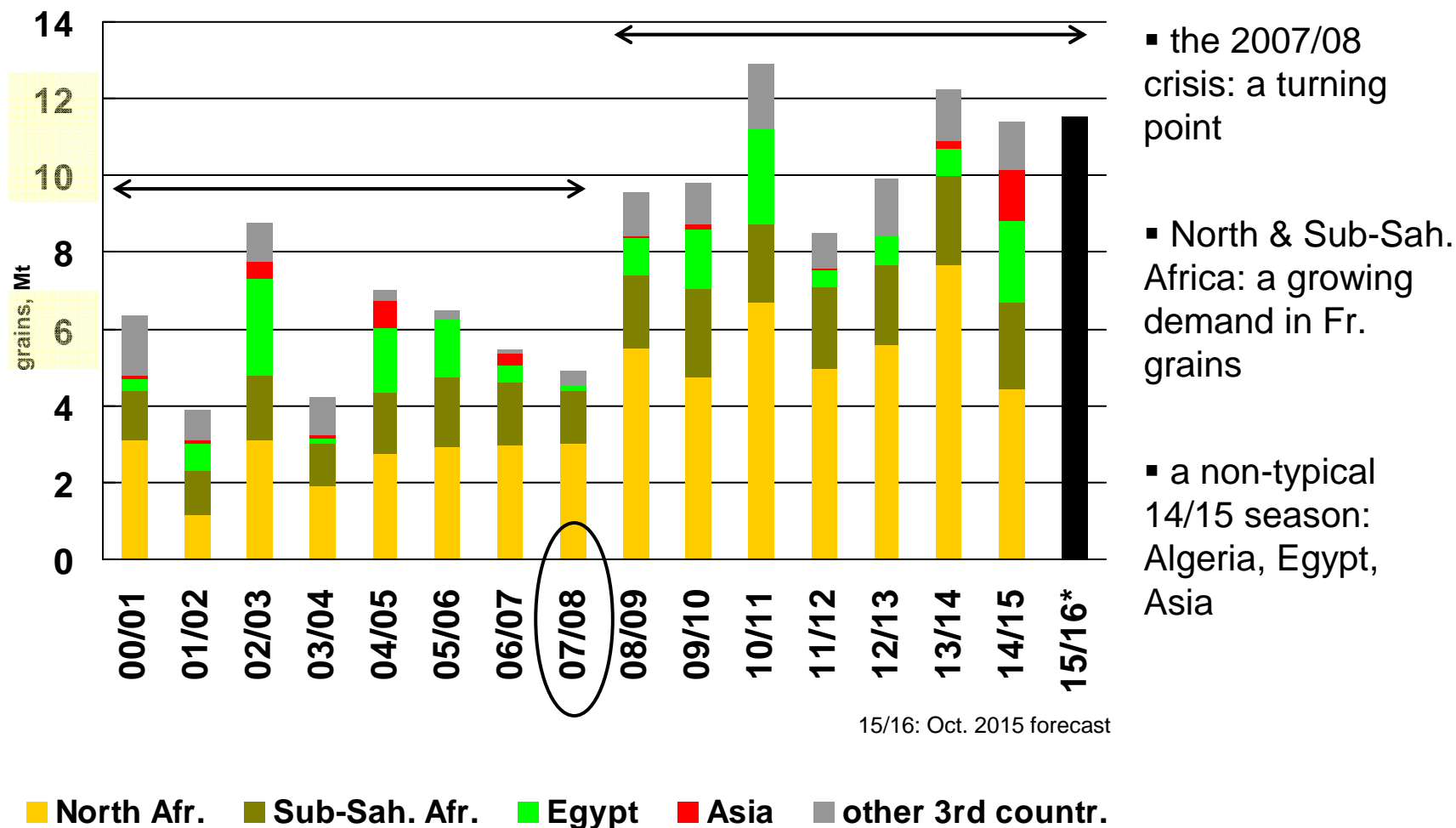


- Very high level of prod.
- Feed: at a technical minimum
- Chinese demand since 2014/15
- available quantities to respond to additional demand

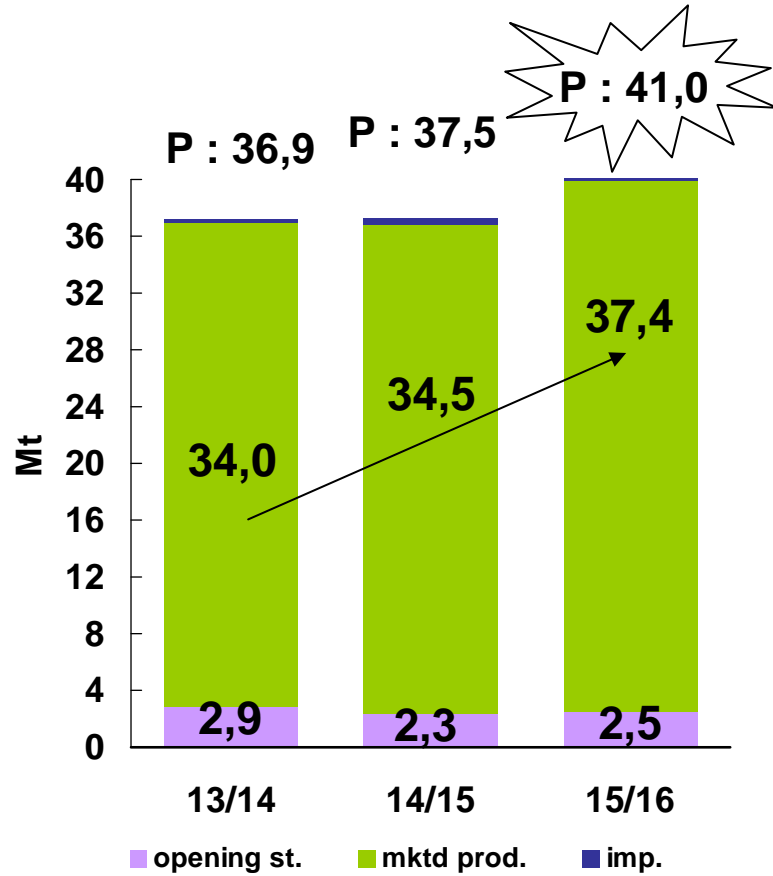
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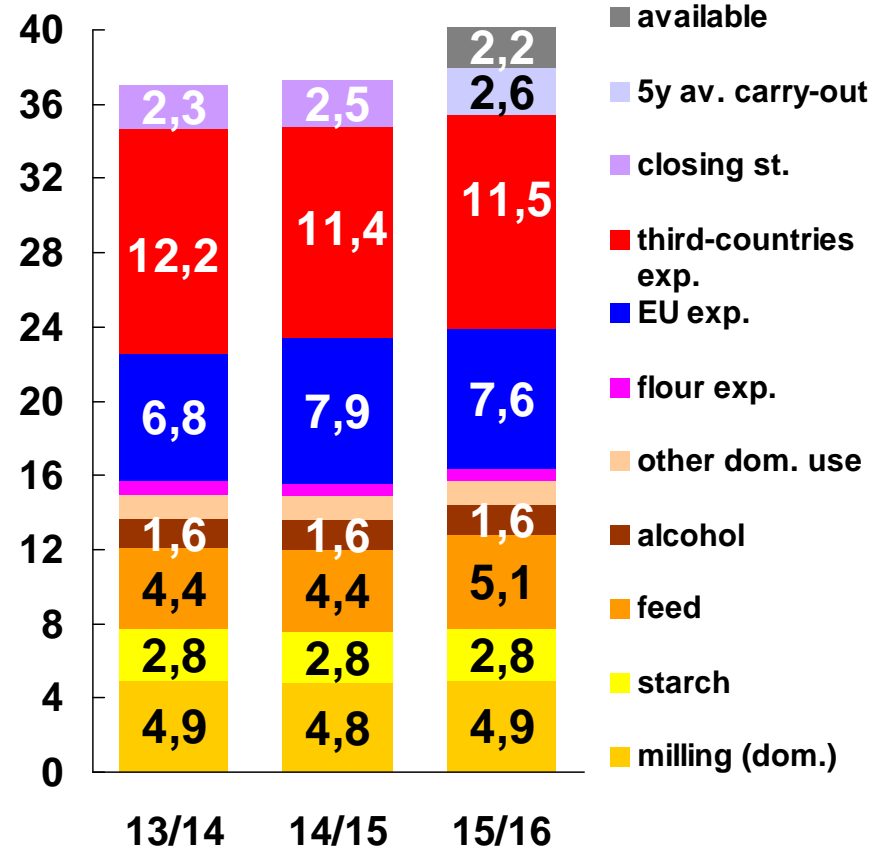
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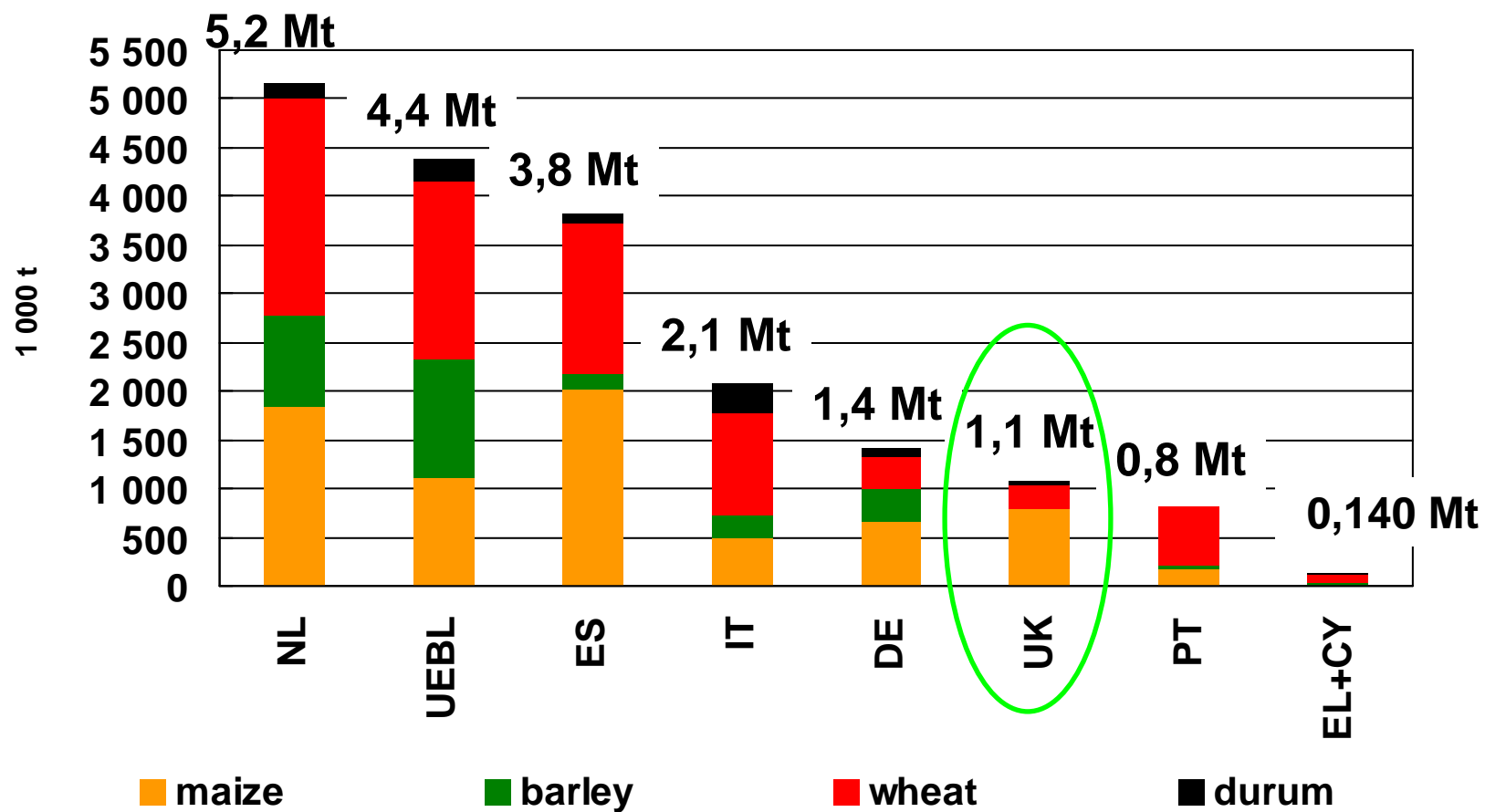
# French WHEAT balance



- Unprecedented production level
- Price competitiveness in feed rations
- World competition
- An on-going balancing process



## French cereals exports within the EU main destinations in 2014/15







# French maize: crop condition

## yield prospects



Conditions de culture - maïs grain - France  
% de surface - récolte 2015



	semaine 42 se terminant le 19 octobre 2015				
	très mauvaises %	mauvaises %	assez bonnes %	bonnes %	très bonnes %
Alsace	10	21	33	29	7
Aquitaine	2	8	20	53	16
Bourgogne	18	37	27	18	0
Bretagne	0	0	8	77	15
Centre	8	12	23	37	20
Champagne-Ardenne	18	36	27	19	0
Franche-Comté	18	27	37	16	3
Ile-de-France	8	19	28	46	0
Midi-Pyrénées	2	15	18	51	13
Pays-de-la-Loire	0	9	26	59	5
Poitou-Charentes	0	11	22	61	6
Rhône-Alpes	19	30	25	23	4
<b>moyenne France (1)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>10</b>
2015-S41 (2)	6	15	23	46	10
2014-S42 (3)	0	2	9	56	33

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NB : lorsque le stade récolte pour une région atteint 50 %, les conditions de culture n'évoluent plus.

# French maize: crop progress

## Area harvested



Mais grain - récolte - France  
% de surface - récolte 2015

	semaine se terminant le		
	19 octobre 2015	12 octobre 2015	19 octobre 2014
	%	%	%
Alsace	81	66	23
Aquitaine	59	43	53
Bourgogne	59	33	17
Bretagne	15	7	14
Centre	54	35	26
Champagne-Ardenne	85	64	46
Franche-Comté	72	51	19
Ile-de-France	80	43	25
Midi-Pyrénées	52	30	33
Pays-de-la-Loire	51	27	43
Poitou-Charentes	61	25	20
Rhône-Alpes	78	67	24
<b>moyenne France</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>32</b>
<i>nombre de régions prises en compte</i>	<i>12 (1)</i>	<i>12 (2)</i>	<i>12 (3)</i>

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