

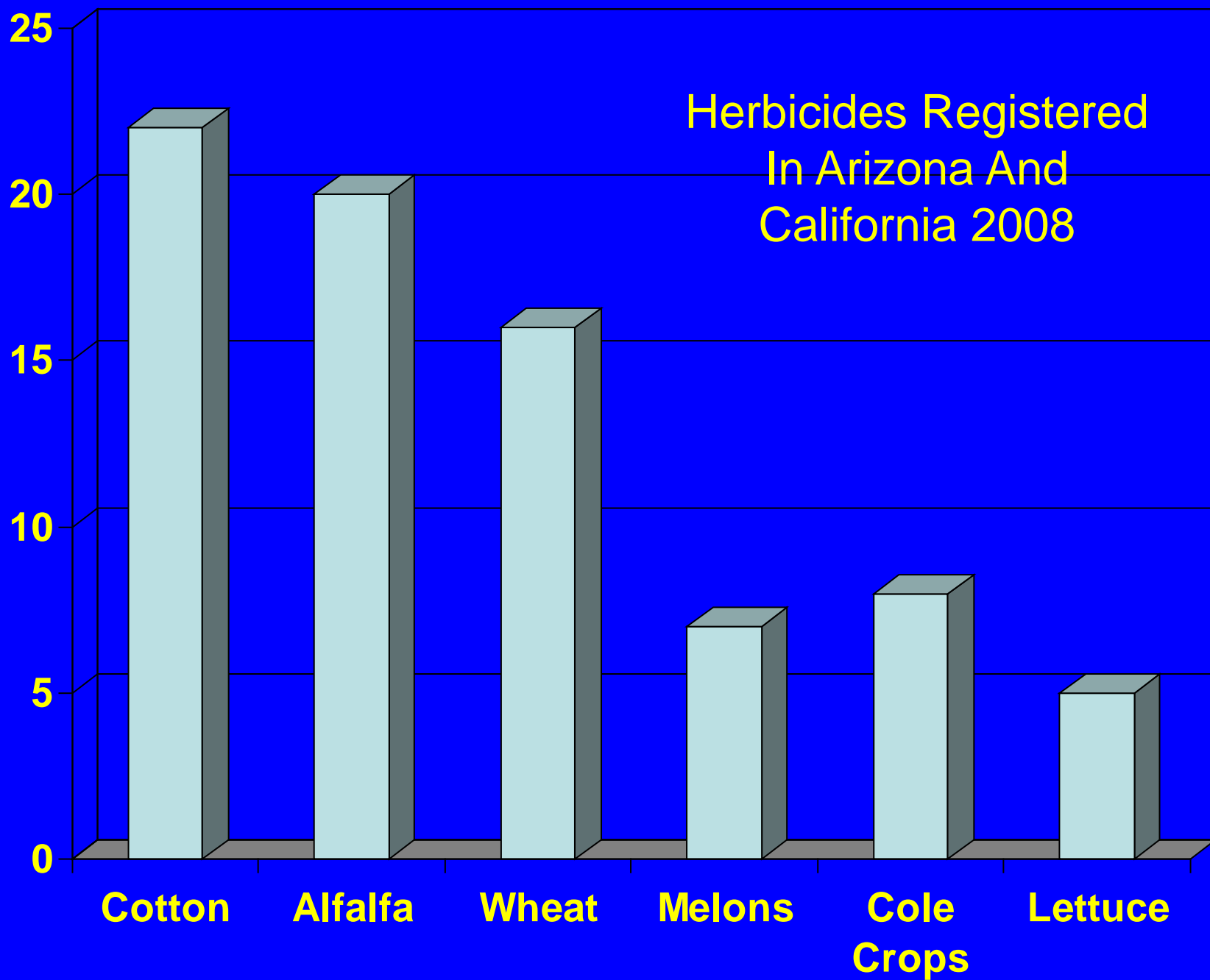


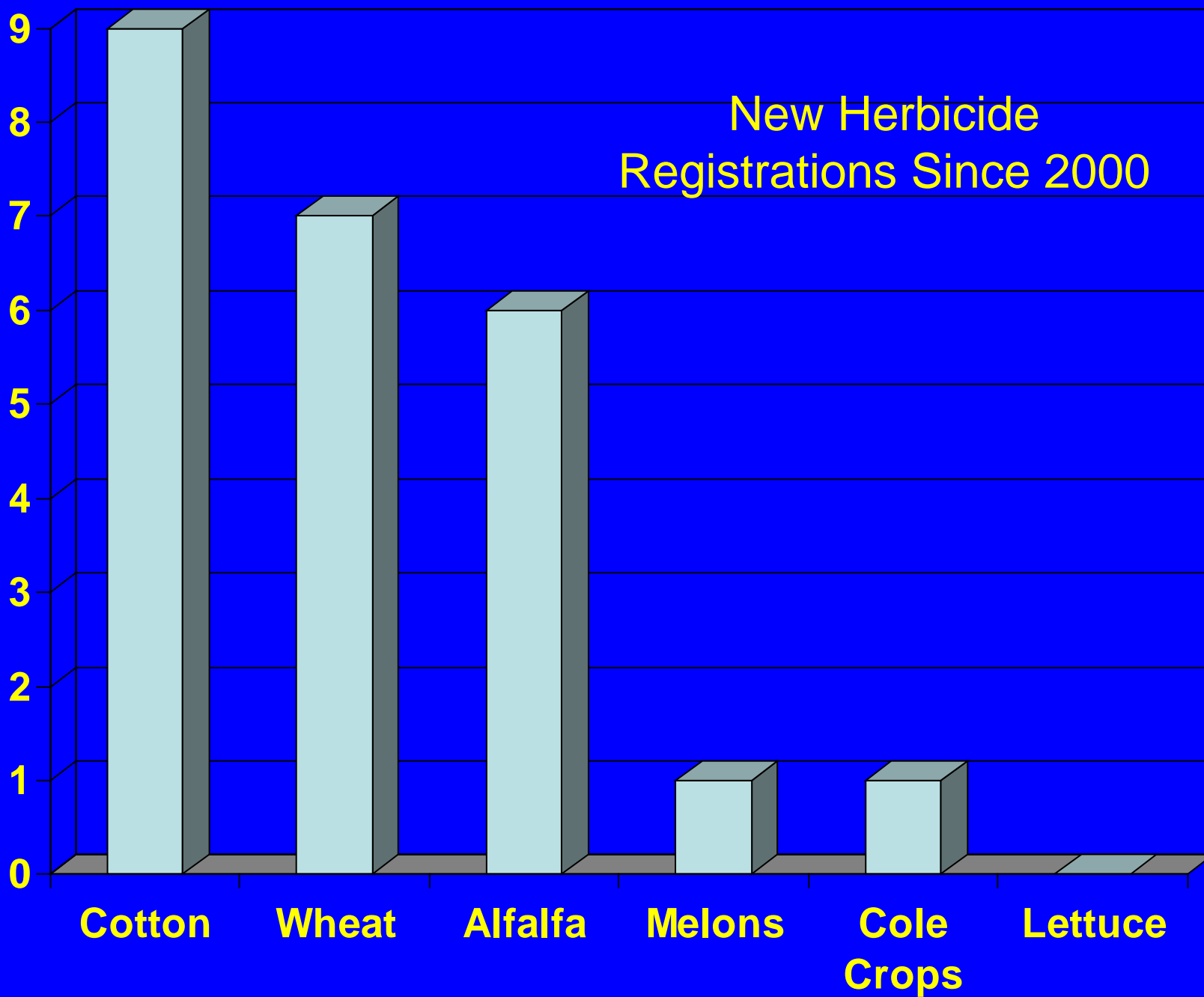
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Yuma Agricultural Center

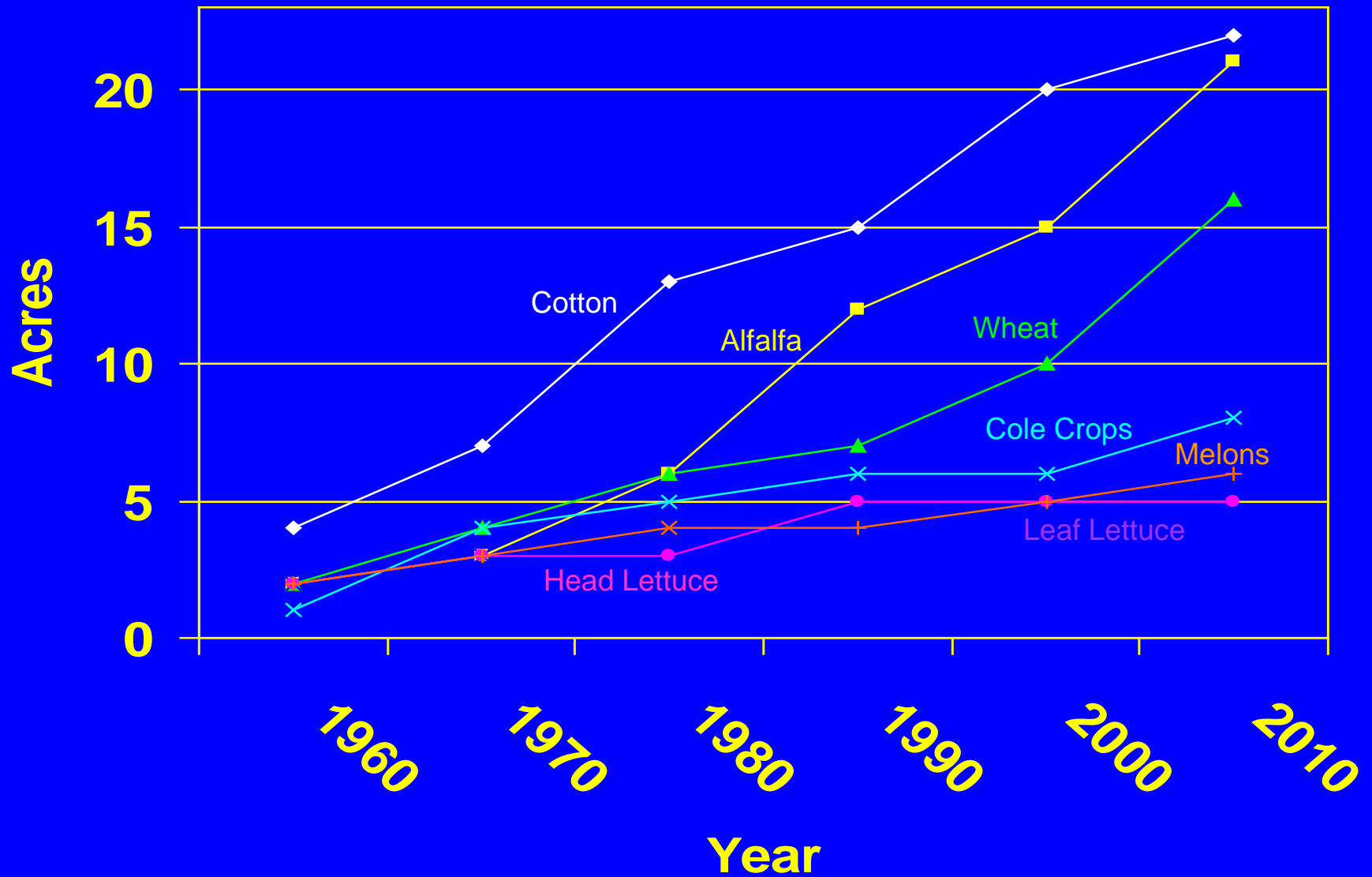








# Herbicide Registrations





## Lettuce Weed Control/ Low Deserts

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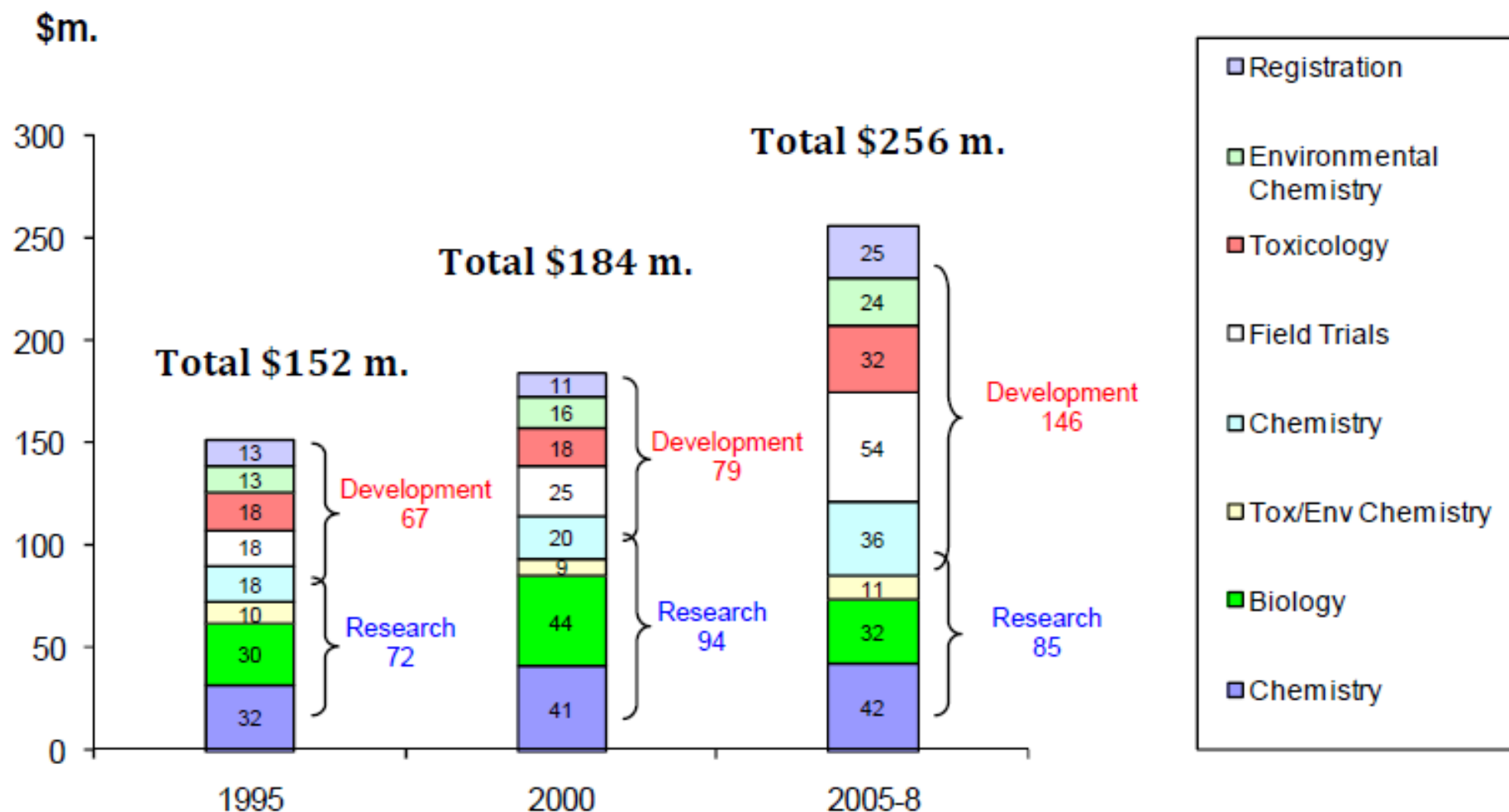
## Modern Chemical Era: *in the last 15 years.....*

	Chemistry	Products	Spectrum
1.	Neonicotinoids	Admire, Assail...	Whitefly, aphid, beetles
2.	Spinosyns	Success, Radiant	Worms, leafminers, thrips
3.	Diacylhydrazine	Confirm, Intrepid	Worms
4	Pyridine	Fulfill	Aphids
5.	Pyridine - IGR	Knack	Whiteflies
6.	Oxadiazine	Avaunt	Worms
7	Thiadiazine	Courier	Whiteflies
8.	Carbozimide	Beleaf	Aphids
9.	Diamides	Coragen, Synapse	Worms, Leafminers
10.	<del>Ketoenols</del>	<del>Oberon, Movento</del>	<del>Aphids, Whiteflies</del>

# U.S Crop Acreage 2008

• Field Corn	86,351,000
• Soybeans	75,718,000
• Wheat	55,685,000
• Alfalfa	20,980,000
• Cotton	9,470,000
• Head Lettuce	151,000
• Broccoli	126,000
• Romaine	82,5000
• Leaf Lettuce	53,9000
• Spinach	37,400
• Cauliflower	36,910

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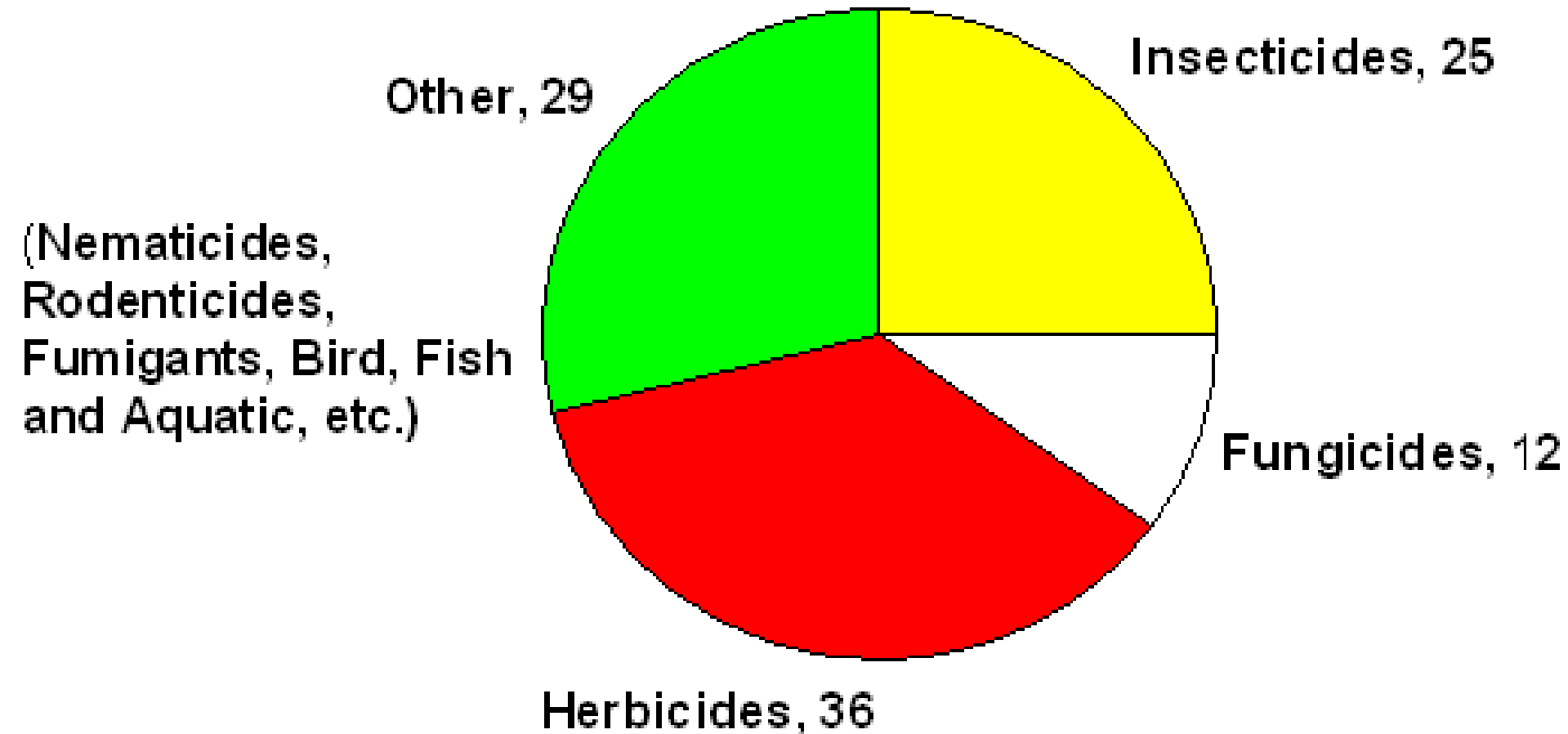




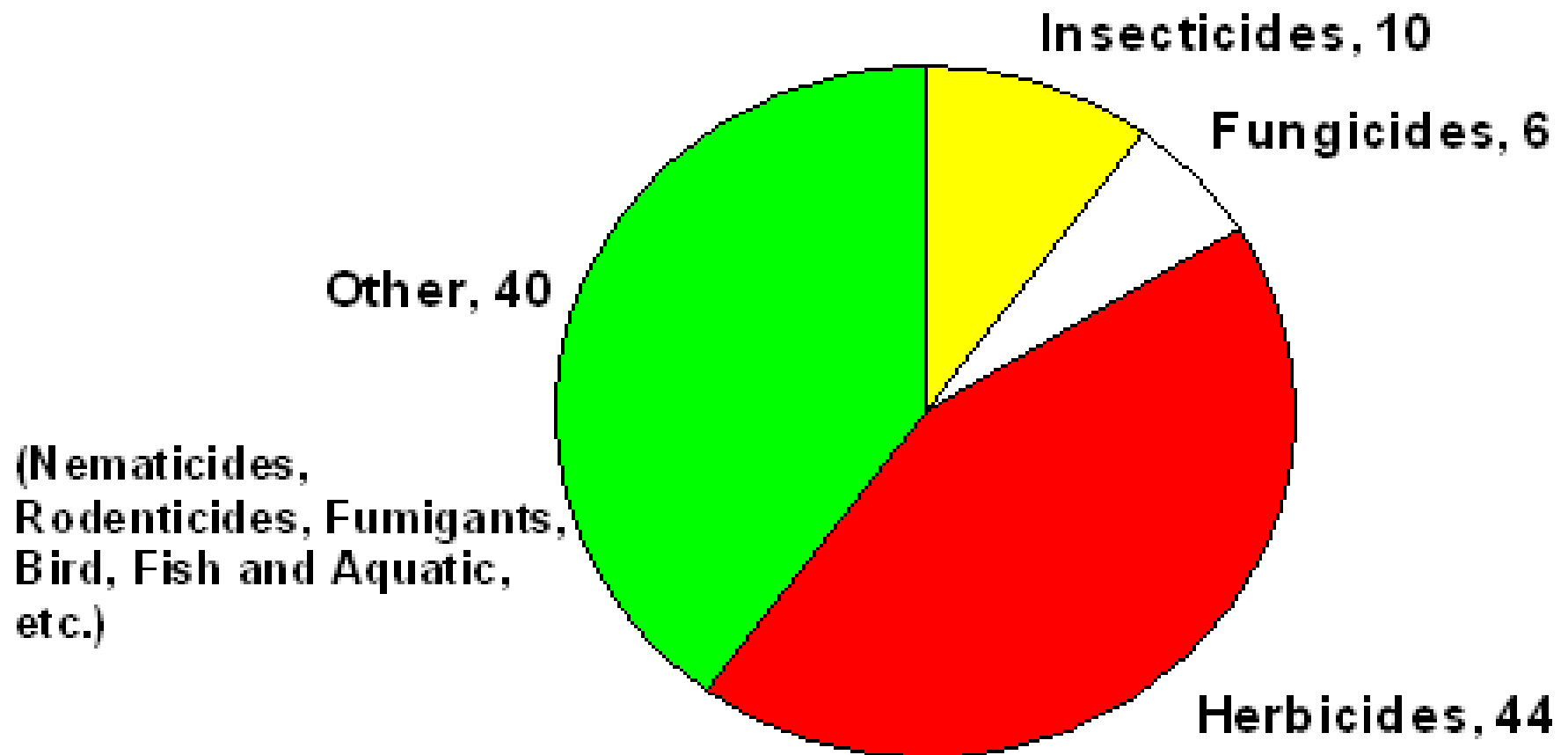
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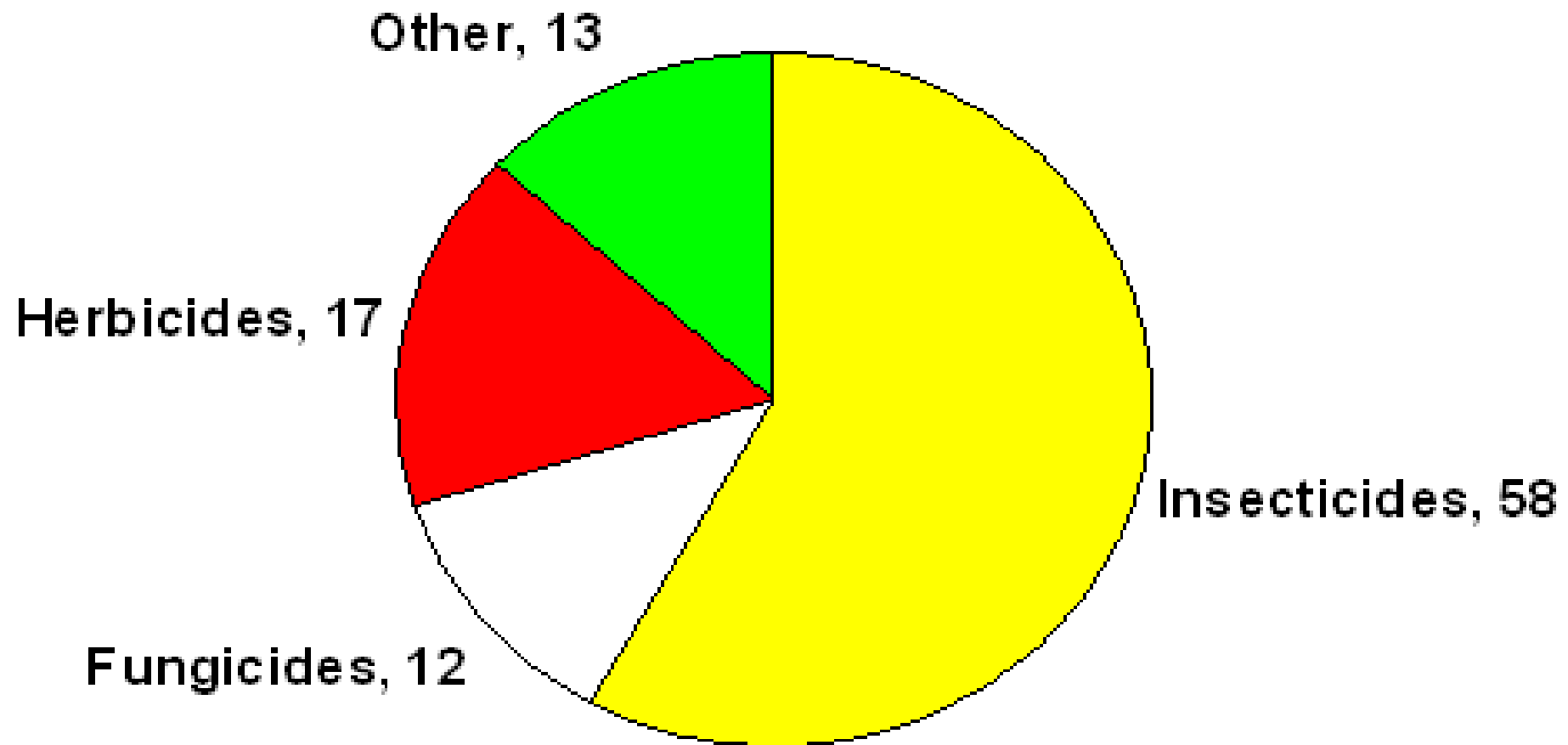
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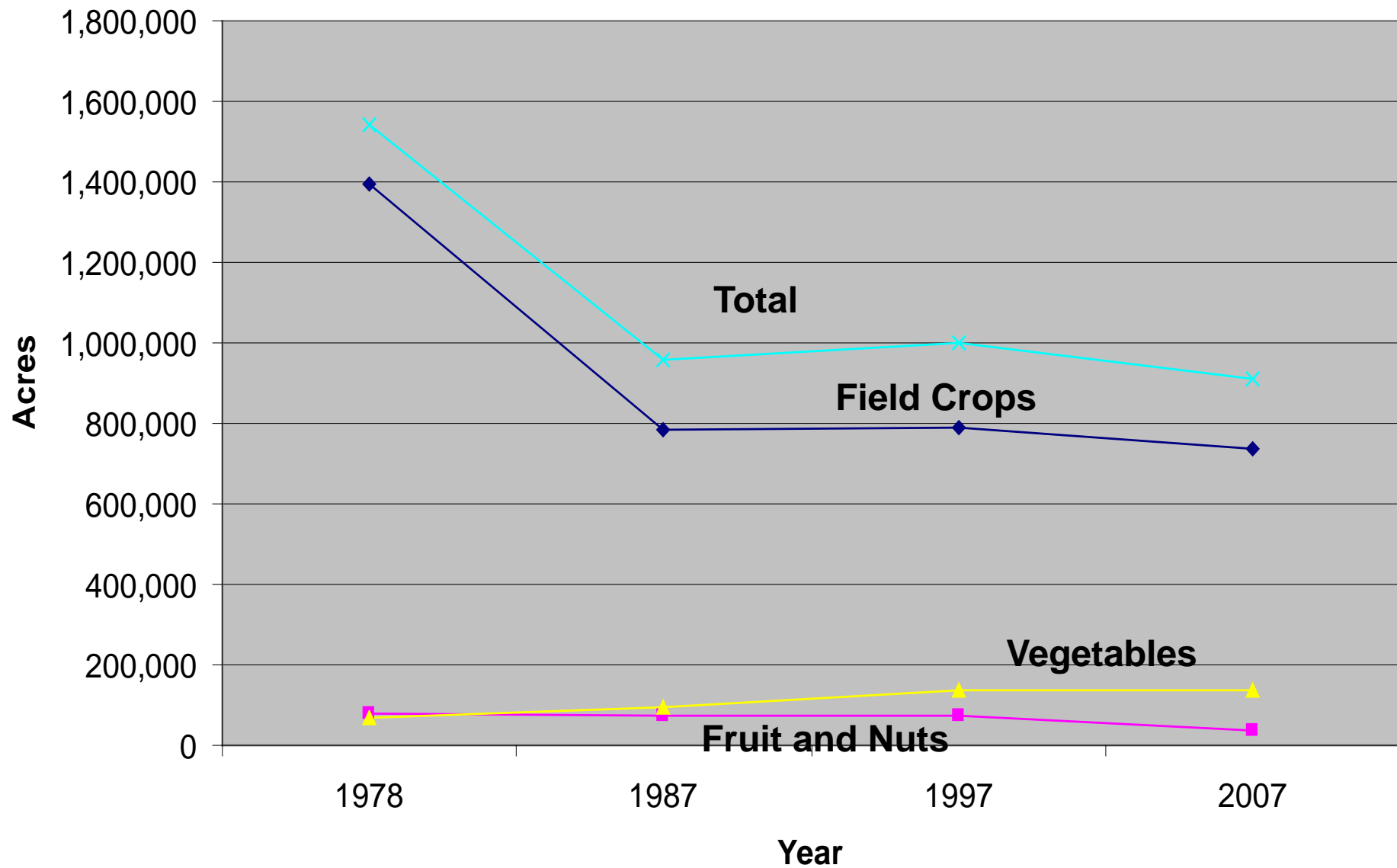


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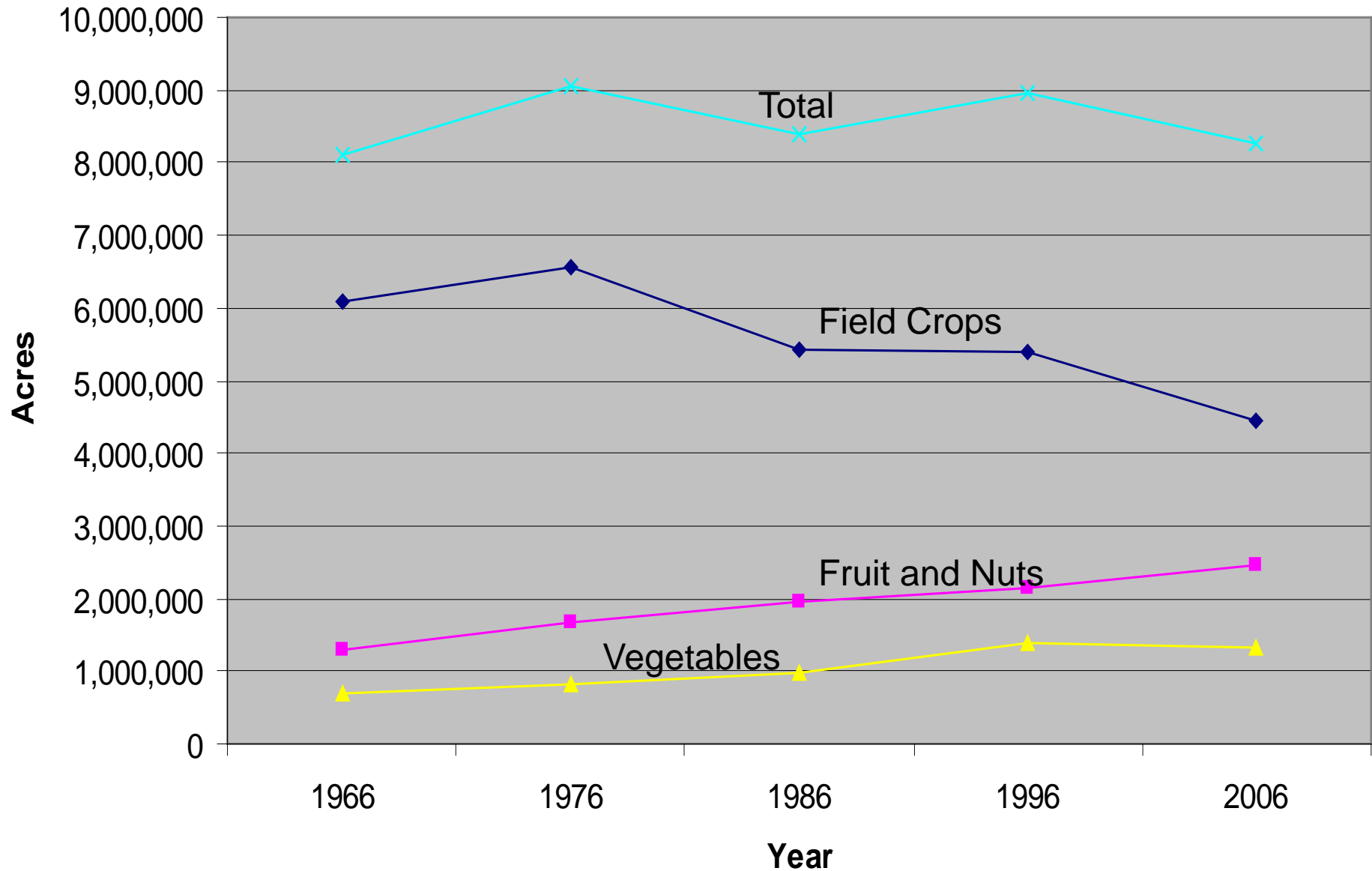




# Arizona Crop Acreage



# California Crop Acreage



















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<b>Herbicide</b>	<b>Vegetable crop(s)</b>	<b>Date First Registered</b>	<b>Date New Registrations</b>
<b>EPTC (Eptam)</b>	<b>Carrots</b>	<b>1960</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Linuron (Lorox)</b>	<b>Spinach</b>	<b>1962</b>	<b>In progress</b>
<b>DCPA (Dacthal)</b>	<b>Cole crops, Onions (Formulation)</b>	<b>1965</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Bentazon (Basagran)</b>	<b>Onions, carrots</b>	<b>1968</b>	<b>In progress</b>
<b>Pronamide (Kerb)</b>	<b>Lettuce (Formulation &amp; Chemigation)</b>	<b>1969</b>	<b>2004 and in progress</b>
<b>Napropamide (Devrinol)</b>	<b>Lettuce</b>	<b>1969</b>	<b>In progress</b>
<b>Pendimethalin (Prowl H2O)</b>	<b>Cole crops, onions, transplanted lettuce (Formulation change)</b>	<b>1975</b>	<b>In progress</b>
<b>Oxyfluorfen (GoalTender)</b>	<b>Cole crops, onions, celery, leeks (Formulation change)</b>	<b>1976</b>	<b>2005</b>
<b>Metolachlor (Dual Magnum)</b>	<b>Spinach, carrots, transplanted lettuce</b>	<b>1977</b>	<b>In progress</b>
<b>Clopyralid (Stinger)</b>	<b>Cole crops</b>	<b>1987</b>	<b>2003</b>
<b>Dimethenamid (Outlook)</b>	<b>Carrots, onions</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>In progress</b>
<b>Halosulfuron (Sanda)</b>	<b>Melons</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>2004</b>
<b>Carfentrazone (Aim)</b>	<b>Melons, transplanted fruiting vegetables</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>In progress</b>
<b>Flumioxazin (Chateau)</b>	<b>Onions, asparagus</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>In progress</b>





Untreated

Eptam 3.5 pt. (3X)







Prowl H<sub>2</sub>O



Prowl 3.3

# Dacthal



 **DACTHAL FLOWABLE**

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 **DACTHAL W 75**

Dacthal W 75



**Kerb 50W**

**Rates: 1-2 lbs.**



**Kerb 3.3**

**Rates: 1.2 - 2.4 pts.**



# Kerb Chemigation Applicators





GoalTender Chemigation Equipment





GoalTender 6oz

Untreated





## General Search of Food Request Database

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### IR-4 Food Use Request

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<u>Pr#:</u> (  =Protocol) Priority	<u>Pesticide(MFG)</u>	<u>Commodity (Crop Group)</u>	<u>Project Status</u>	<u>MRID#</u> <u>EPA</u> <u>Status</u>	<u>Reg</u> <u>States</u>
09577  A	S- METOLACHLOR/METOLACHLOR (DREXEL SIPCAM SYNGEN)	SPINACH (04A = LEAFY GREENS SUBGROUP)	FINAL REPORT COMPLETED & READY FOR SUBMISSION	MRID: EPA Status: PEND:11/09	NY MD CA AZ

#### EPA PRIA:

Reasons for need: BROADLEAF WEEDS

Residue Data Sites:

Performance Data Required:

Use Pattern:

**PCR:** 0.24-0.94 LB A/A; PRE-EMERGENT SURFACE BROADCAST APPLIC; APPLY AFTER PLANTING & PRIOR TO WEED GERMINATION; USE AT LEAST 15 GPA; DO NOT INCORPORATE

**Protocol:** 0.65 AND 1.02 LB.A/A; APPLY EACH RATE IN 10-40 GPA, SINGLE APPLIC, BROADCAST PRE-EMERGENCE AFTER PLANTING BUT PRIOR TO CROP EMERGENCE (20-DAY PHI); ALSO 0.65 LB.A/A, APPLIED TWICE-FIRST APPLIC AS PRE-EMERGENCE BROADCAST SPRAY AFTER PLANTING BUT PRIOR TO CROP EMERGENCE; SECOND APPLIC IS POST-EMERGENCE, BROADCAST, FOLIAR AT 20 DAY BEFORE HARVEST

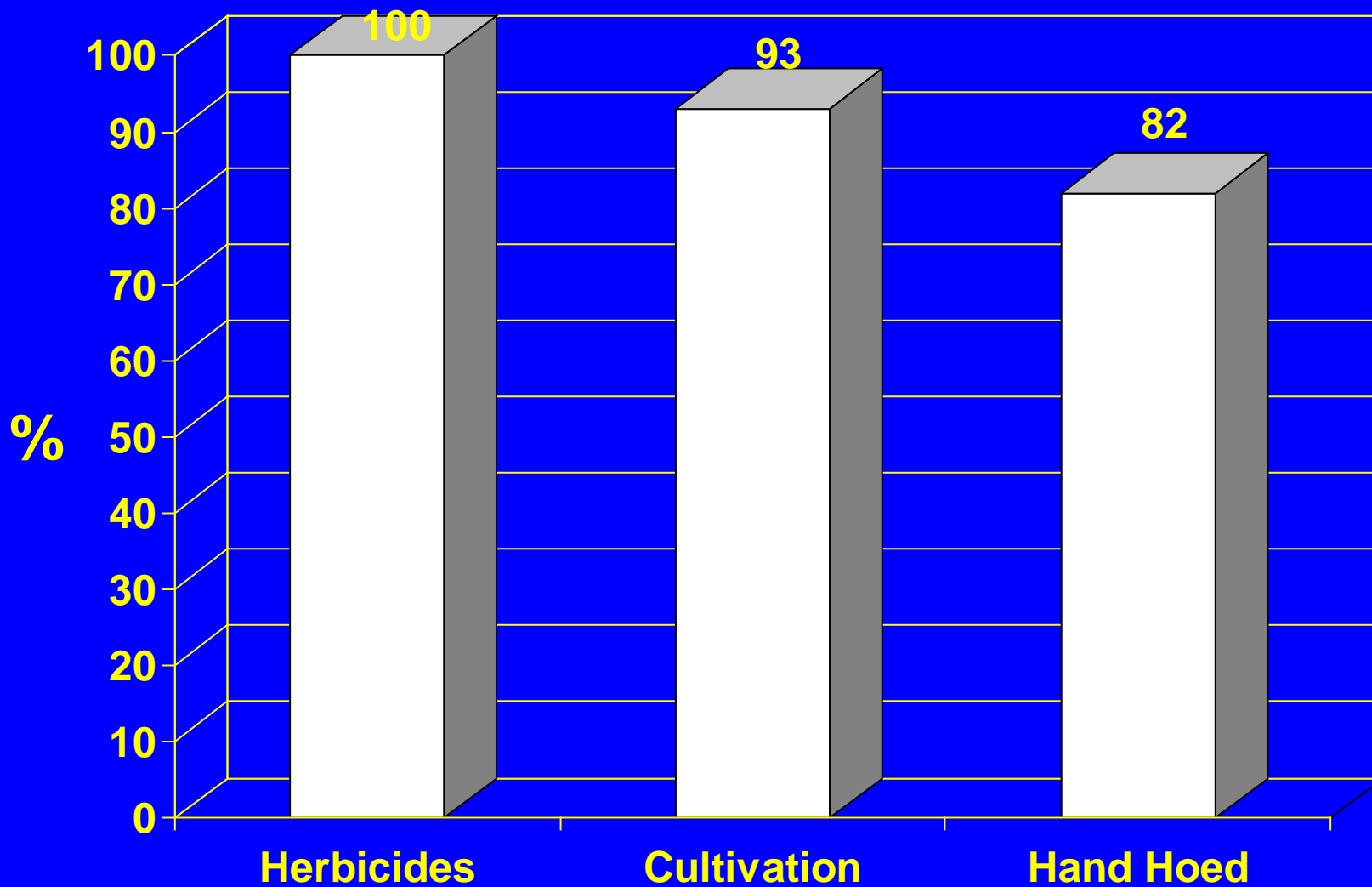
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**Comments:** REQUEST TO REDUCE THE PREHARVEST INTERVAL FROM 40 DAYS (PR# 6336) TO 20 DAYS; FUTURE SUBMISSION FOR SPINACH (9577) , CANTALOUPE (9406), CILANTRO (9595) ALSO INCLUDE LEAF LETTUCE (10099) & BEET GREENS (7486)

**State Requestor:** NY :Bellinder, R. MD :Beste, E. CA :Fennimore, S. AZ :Tickes, B.

# Lettuce Weed Control

## Yuma County Arizona 2009



# Non-chemical Weed Control



Exclusion



Hand Labor



Mechanical



Solarization



Cultural



Prevention





























**Labor**





Matt McGuire (left), national account executive with C-SPAN, and Vanessa Bailey (standing), C-SPAN marketing representative, visit with staff members of the Foothills Branch Library Thursday.

PHOTO BY CRAIG FRY/YUMA SUN

Read more about the bus and its journey/A3

## Lobbyists fight to keep payday lending legal

Law permitting niche industry set to expire June 30

BY HOWARD FISCHER  
CAPITOL MEDIA SERVICES

PHOENIX — Rejected by voters and stymied in the House, lobbyists for payday lenders are now trying to get a Senate panel to approve legislation to

keep the industry alive beyond June 30.

But now there's a sweetener: They're offering to set aside an estimated \$1.5 million of their proceeds each year for community-based organizations that help the needy.

That still may not be enough to corral the votes they need to keep the doors open. Most Democrats and several Republicans already have announced their opposition to extending the life of a special law that allows lenders to charge what would be the equivalent of 400 percent interest on an annual basis.

Gov. Jan Brewer, facing

a tough re-election campaign, has not taken a position on the bill. But press aide Paul Senseman said Brewer voted against the 2008 lender-sponsored initiative to keep payday lending legal, a measure that went down to defeat by a 3-2 margin despite \$14.7 million in industry spending.

With the law allowing payday lending set to

expire June 30, that leaves legislation as their only remaining option.

House Majority Whip Andy Tobin, R-Paulden, sponsor the necessary legislation.

But Tobin pulled the plug when it became clear that not a single Democrat on the panel would support it. Tobin said he did not want the issue of

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## BLM seeks volunteers needed to help pull weeds

BY JAMES GILBERT  
SUN STAFF WRITER

If you enjoy doing yardwork, then the Bureau of Land Management's Yuma Field Office could use your help.

BLM spokeswoman Lori Cook said the agency is inviting the public to come help agency staff pull some weeds from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Sunday.

Cook said staff and volunteers will be pulling up weeds known as Brassica tournefortii from an area in the Foothills that is overgrown with the plants.

"Every plant that gets pulled means there will be fewer seeds getting out to grow more plants. The site we will be at will be an

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— Lori Cook, BLM spokeswoman

ongoing problem for us for many years."

Brassica is a nonnative mustard plant from North Africa and Central Asia, Cook said, and it typically occurs in disturbed areas such as dry washes and roadsides.

The weed often infests new areas when its sticky seeds adhere to the undercarriages of

all types of vehicles, including construction vehicles and off-road vehicles.

Cook said since Brassica outcompetes native plant growth for sunlight and water because biological controls do not exist in North America, Brassica lowers native plant diversity and degrades wildlife habitat.

"Brassica grows between March and May, so this is the perfect time for us to be out there pulling them."

All volunteers are asked to meet BLM specialists where the dirt road starts at the end of Foothills Boulevard north of Interstate 8.

To get to the location from Yuma, take Interstate 8 east about 10 miles to Foothills Boulevard. Turn north on Foothills Boulevard

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big impact and it's a concern to them. In Yuma, three positions are fun with that money, he said. "We have no where go right now. The general fund for the county is 6 but they don't have money available to absorb that."

Under the plan, Arizona State Parks would be authorized to use money in the Law Enforcement Boating and Safety Fund to operate state parks. The agency plans to close 13 parks and keep nine open due to budget cuts.

The Yuma Territorial Prison is one of the 13 state will stop funding. Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area will take over after the state pays out of its lease at the end of the month.

According to the Legislative Budget Committee, the fund currently contains \$2 million and is used to employ 26 boat officers throughout the state.

Capt. Eben Braaten, spokesman for the County Sheriff's Office, said losing Yuma County officers assigned to watch on boats would leave his department "going to rather than being reckless behavior."

"The Colorado River is very popular and pretty rowdy," he said. "We are not able to have officers to patrol going to make it dangerous out there."







**1850-1882**

**Chinese Era**

**1890's – 1900's**

**Japanese Era**

**1920's – present**

**Mexican Era**





Tuesday, Jan. 4

## ARIZONA

Fantasy Five - 24,34,18,25,3

Pick 3 - 0,2,6

## CALIFORNIA

Fantasy Five - 12,20,22,32,38

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A TUNNEL carved out of a truckload of hay covered a number of aliens that U.S. Border Patrol agents apprehended late Monday night at the Interstate 8 checkpoint near Telegraph Pass. Inside this tunnel, carpet is laid out on the hay, and thick plywood supports it from above. There were a number of other hidden holes and tunnels in two truckloads found by the U.S. Border Patrol on Monday. Oranges and other miscellaneous items were found in the hay.

# Agents find illegal aliens inside hay

BY JONATHAN ATHENS  
SUN STAFF WRITER

U.S. Border Patrol agents on Monday arrested 46 illegal immigrants hiding within secret compartments inside hay bales on two tractor-trailers.

The arrests, which took place within a 20-hour span at a Border Patrol checkpoint along Interstate 8, is the first significant one of the new year and had all the markings of "a large-scale, organized, commercial human smuggling operation," said Joe Brigman, spokesman for the Border Patrol's Yuma sector.

All of the illegal immigrants admitted they each paid approximately \$2,000 to be smuggled to various locations throughout the United States, Brigman said.

The drivers of the trucks, both Mexican men legally residing in the United States, have each been charged with felony smuggling, Brigman said.

The illegal immigrants were hiding inside makeshift plywood compartments within the bales of hay and were discovered when Border Patrol canines detected human scent, he said.

"This is the length that they're going to try to transport these people away from Yuma," Brigman said, adding the case is under investigation.



PHOTO BY JACOB LOPEZ/THE SUN

TWO TRUCKLOADS of hay sit at the U.S. Border Patrol Yuma sector headquarters Tuesday morning after agents apprehended a number of aliens at the Telegraph Pass checkpoint on Interstate 8 the day before.

drugs were found among the illegal immigrants arrested.

More than 98,000 arrests were made in the Yuma sector in 2004 alone. "There are no indications the number of arrests will decline" this year, Brigman said.

Jonathan Athens can be reached at



AN ILLEGAL ALIEN is seen inside a hidden area of a truckload of hay Monday morning about 3 a.m. after Border Patrol agents apprehended 20 aliens in this load at the Interstate 8 checkpoint near Telegraph Pass. Also, 26 other aliens were apprehended in another truckload of hay at 11:30 p.m. Monday.

Harvey said the FBI in Vancouver, British Columbia, and were winter yis Yuma.

He said they had fled Phoenix on Tuesday and were driving to Yuma. Charles Pfister was reported to Yuma Regional Center where he treatment for cuts and He was released Tuesday.

Harvey said an unavailable for the FBI.

Both were wearing a Harvey said speed appear to be a factor crash.

"It was just fatigue,"

## Two arraigned connection w shooting inci

FROM STAFF REPORT

Two Yuma men arraigned in Yuma Court on Tuesday in connection with a shooting incident New Year's Day.

Ismael Pena, 21, was with unlawful discharge of a firearm by Justice of the Peace pro tem David Cooper.

Saturday, Yuma County Sheriff's deputies responded to several calls of gunshots in the vicinity of the 600 South Avenue C. Deputies contact with Pena, who shooting a gun.

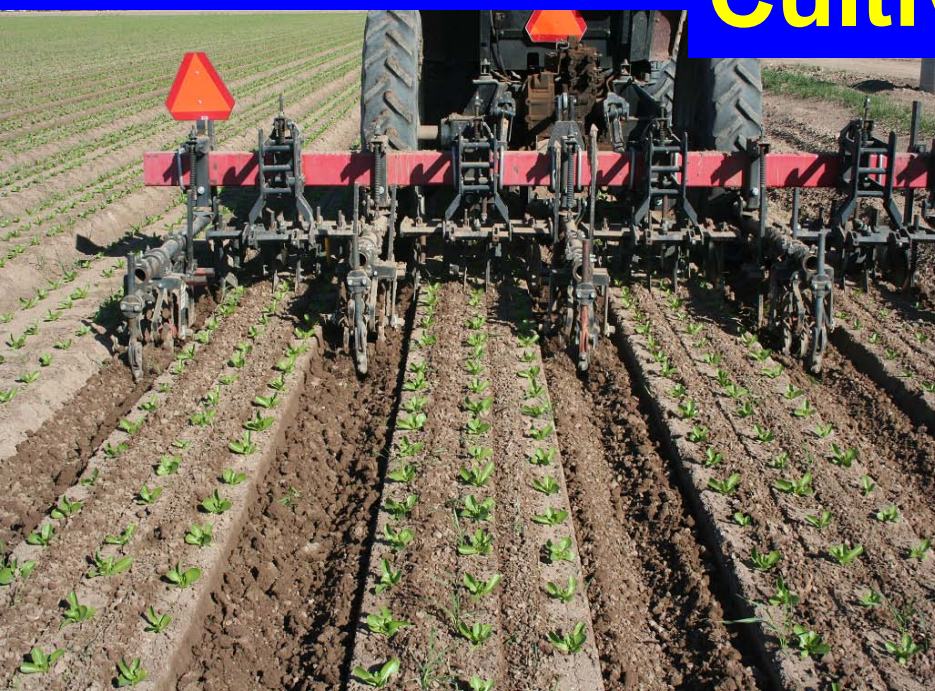
Pena allegedly was with a .22-caliber handgun concealed on his person. Deputies also said they found several .22-caliber caliber casings lying on the residence. Pena then a firing the gun, deputies.

A search warrant obtained for the residence. Deputies found a handgun under the bed in the bedroom of David Pena, 22, according to the County Sheriff's Office. The investigation involved marijuana and items of drug paraphernalia.





# Cultivation









# Vision Guided In-row Cultivation



Tillett and Hague Technology Ld





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# Cultivation

- **Advantages**

- Roots, shoots and above ground portions of the weeds are destroyed and buried.
- Surface crusts are broken up, aeration and water penetration is improved.
- Other pests may be controlled

- **Disadvantages**

- Perennial weeds can be dispersed.
- Weed seed brought to the surface.
- Moisture loss and soil erosion
- Crop roots damaged



# Soil Solarization

- Clear polyethylene
- 4-6 weeks
- Moisture





## Disadvantages

- Time
- Only effective at shallow depths
- All weeds not controlled

## Advantages

- Non-chemical, broad applicability
- Controls other pests as well
- Effective on some seeds





# 2005 field soil solarization trial



# 2005 field soil solarization trial

## Fusarium wilt at crop maturity







# Cultural Control Methods

- Crop Rotation
- Mulch Planting
- Preplant Germination of weeds
- Water Management
- Planting Pattern
- Fallow
- Stale Seedbed
- Planting Time
- Variety Selection
- Smother Crops
- Competitive Crops
- Grazing
- Biological Control (insects)
- Biological Control (Diseases)
- Allelopathy
- Flooding
- Weed Free Seed
- Weed Laws
- Row Spacing
- Crop Population
- Clean Borders and Edges
- Timely Crop Destruction
- Land Selection
- Planting Date
- Reduced Tillage
- Natural Enemies



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## Traditional Breeding

- STS - SU tolerant soybeans
- Poast Protected Field Corn
- Clearfield (Imi resistant) corn wheat, canola, sunflower, rice

## Genetic Engineering (GMO's)

- Glyphosate resistant crops
- Glufonsinate (Liberty-Link) resistant
- BXN (Bromoxynil) resistant





# Conclusions

- Because of the costs to develop and register pesticides, the development of new herbicides for vegetables is unlikely.
- Reliance on cheap labor has always put vegetable growers in a precarious position.
- Non-chemical cultural practices, automated cultivation equipment and old herbicides will likely continue to be relied upon.
- With the help of the IR4 Project the industry will remain competitive.. **THANK YOU**

# Extra Slides



# Family: *Brassica/Crucifer*

Crops: Bok Choy, Napa, Mizuna, Kale, Kohlrabi, Turnip Greens, Mustard, Tatsoi, Arugula, Radish, Daikon

## Herbicides

## Year First Registered

Prefar

1962

Trifluralin

1967

Dacthal

1970

Stinger

1987

Poast

1984

Select

1991

# Family: *Umbelliferae*

Crops: Cilantro, Coriander, Parsley, Dill,  
Parsnip, Fennel

## Herbicides

## Year First Registered

Prefar

1962

Lorox

1965

Poast

1984



# Family: *Aster*

Crops: Endive, Escarole, Chicory, Radicchio

## Herbicides

## Year First Registered

Prefar

1962

Trifluralin

1967

Kerb

1969

Fusilade

1984

Poast

1984

Select

1991

# Family: *Amaranth*

Crops: Spinach, Chard, Beets

## Herbicides

## Year First Registered

Roneet

1987

Dual Magnum (AZ. Only)

1977

Poast

1984

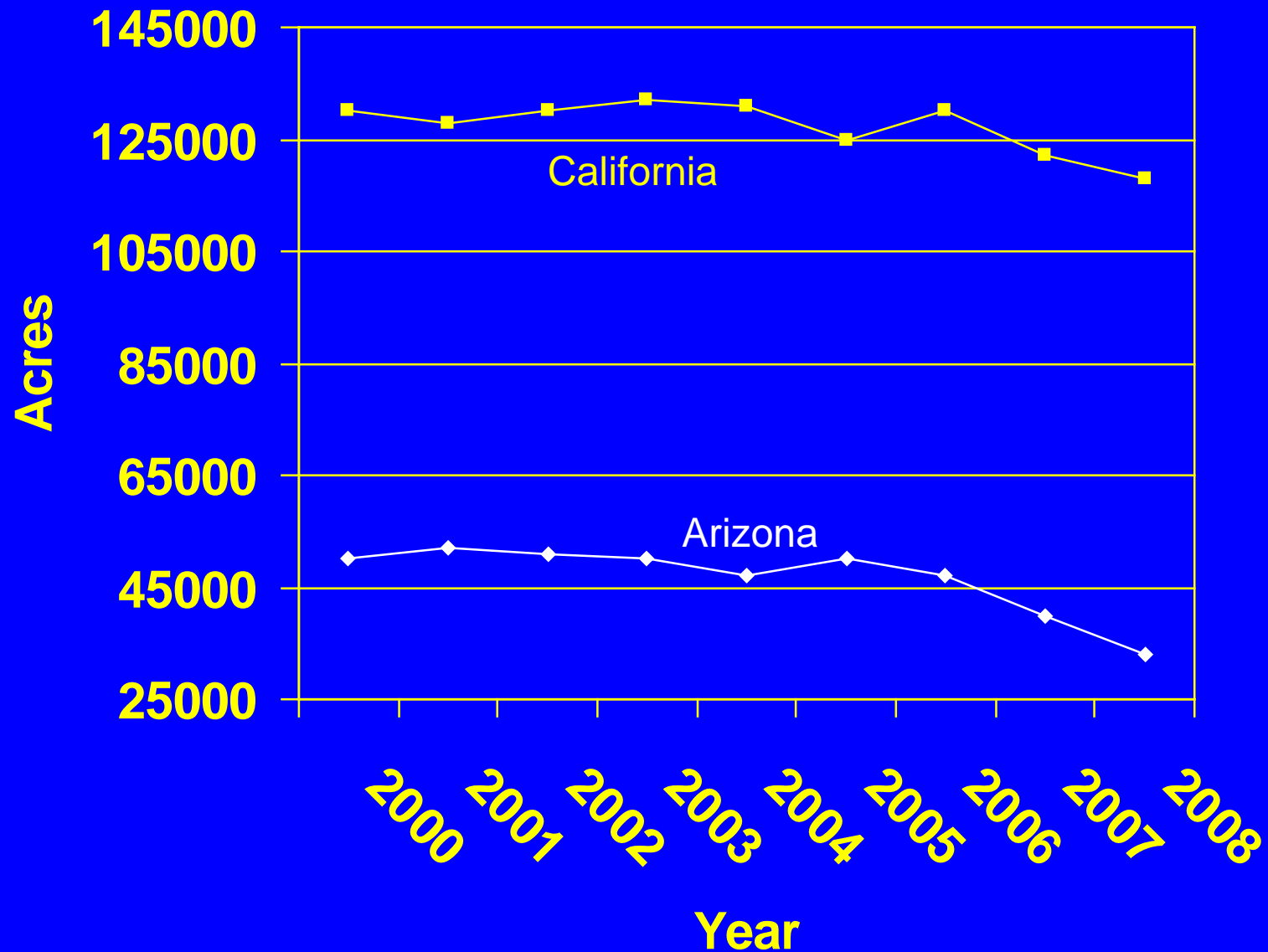
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1991



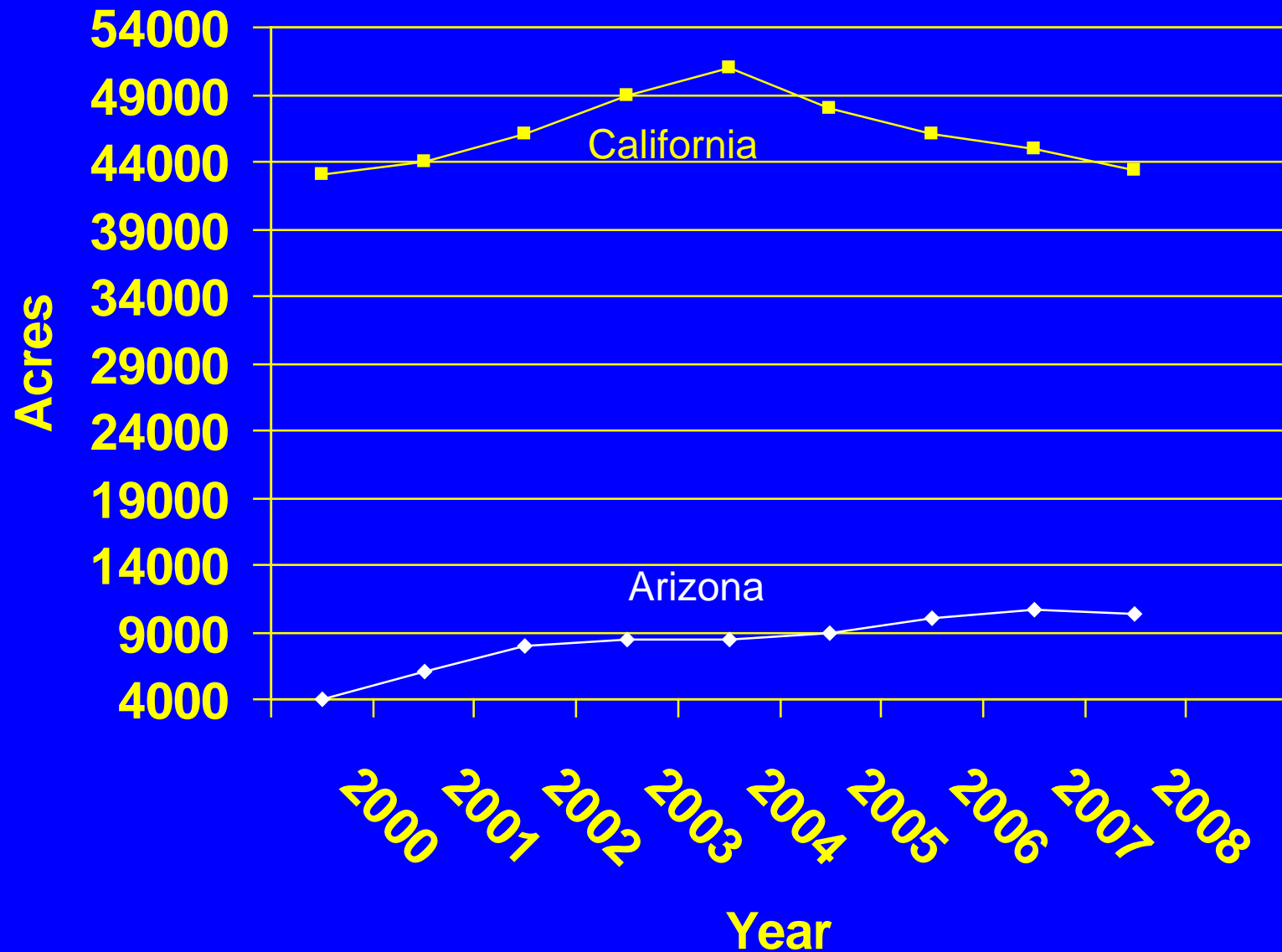
# Head Lettuce

## Arizona - California



# Leaf Lettuce

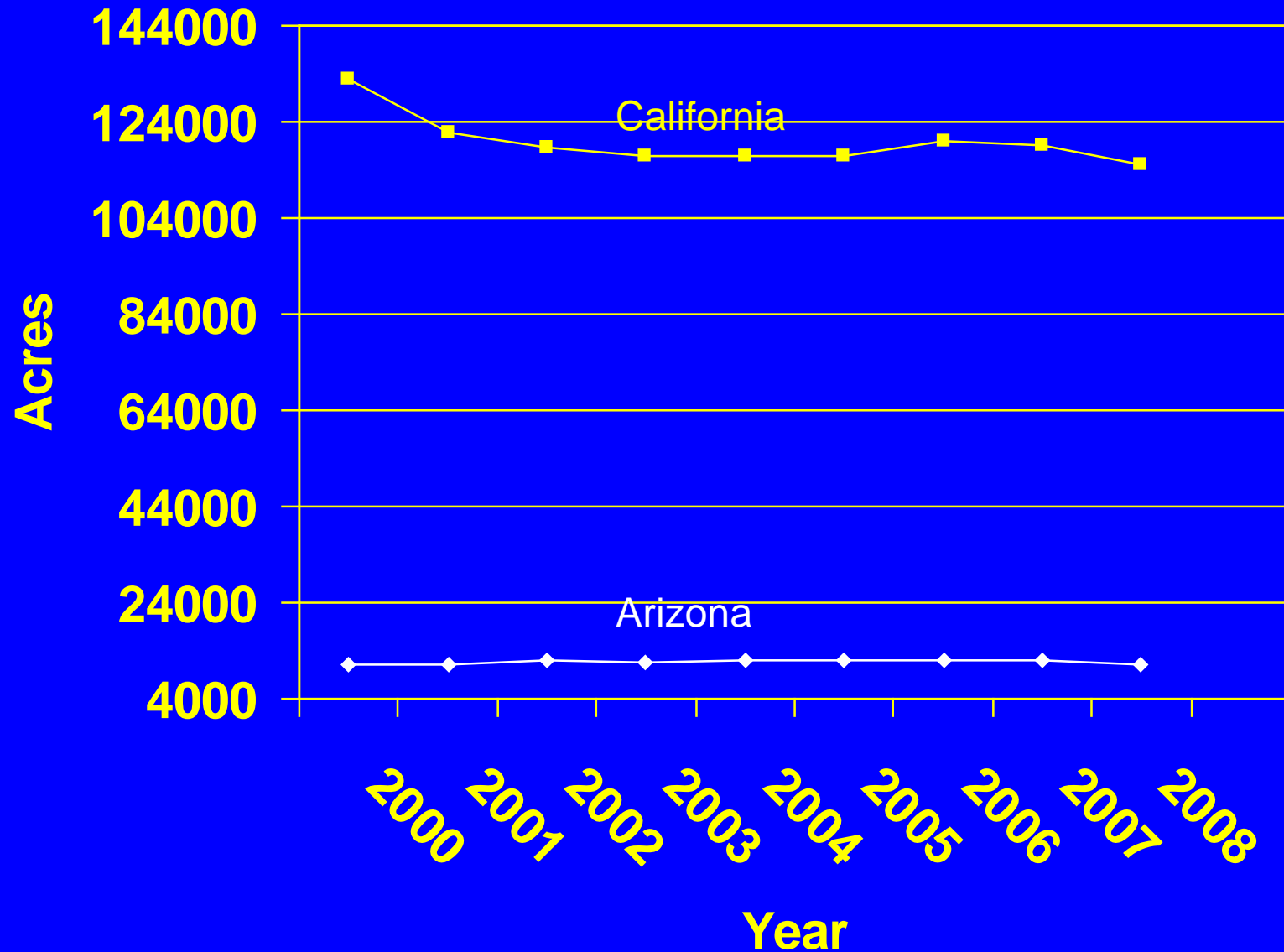
## Arizona - California





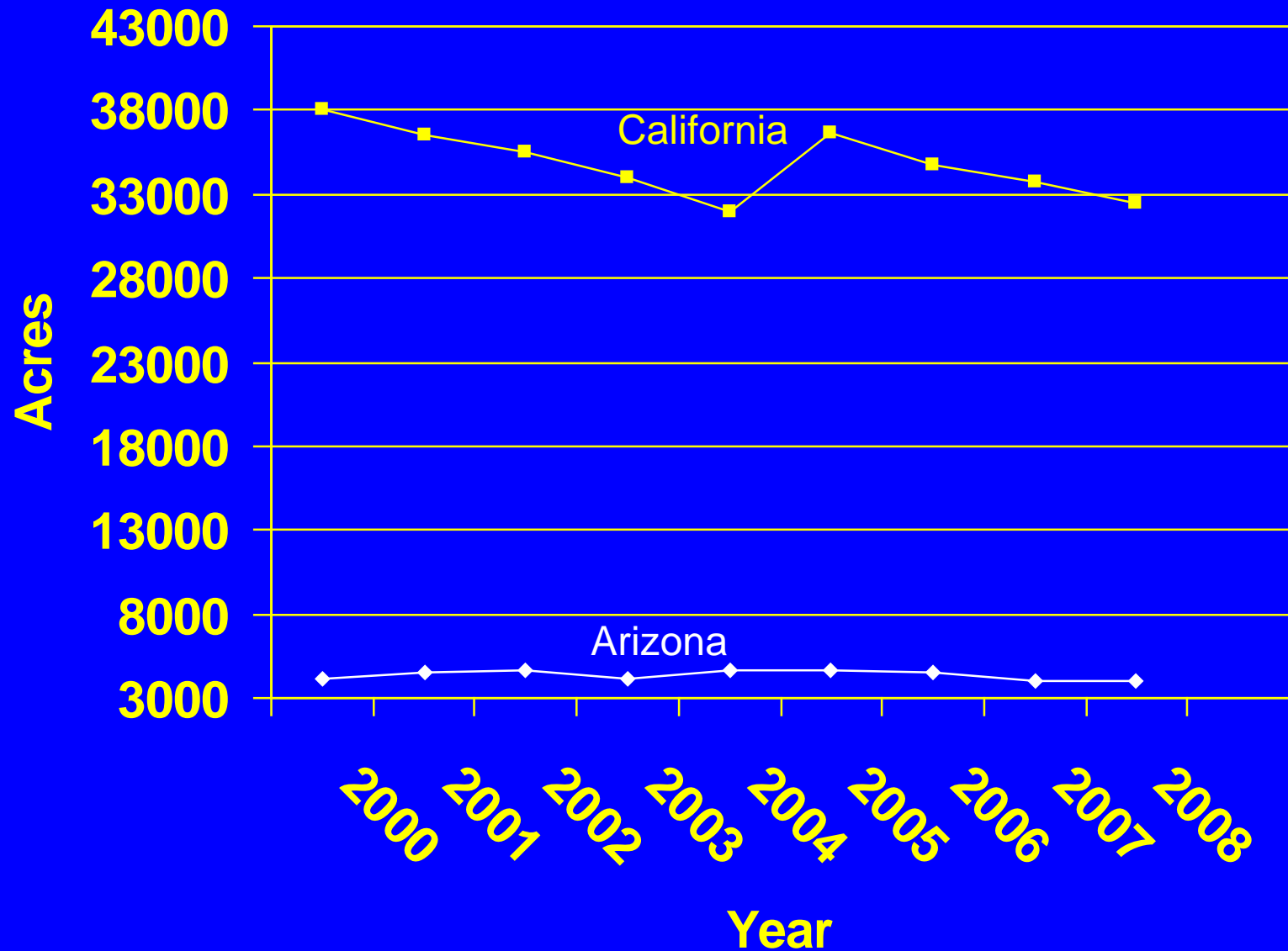
# Broccoli

## Arizona - California



# Cauliflower

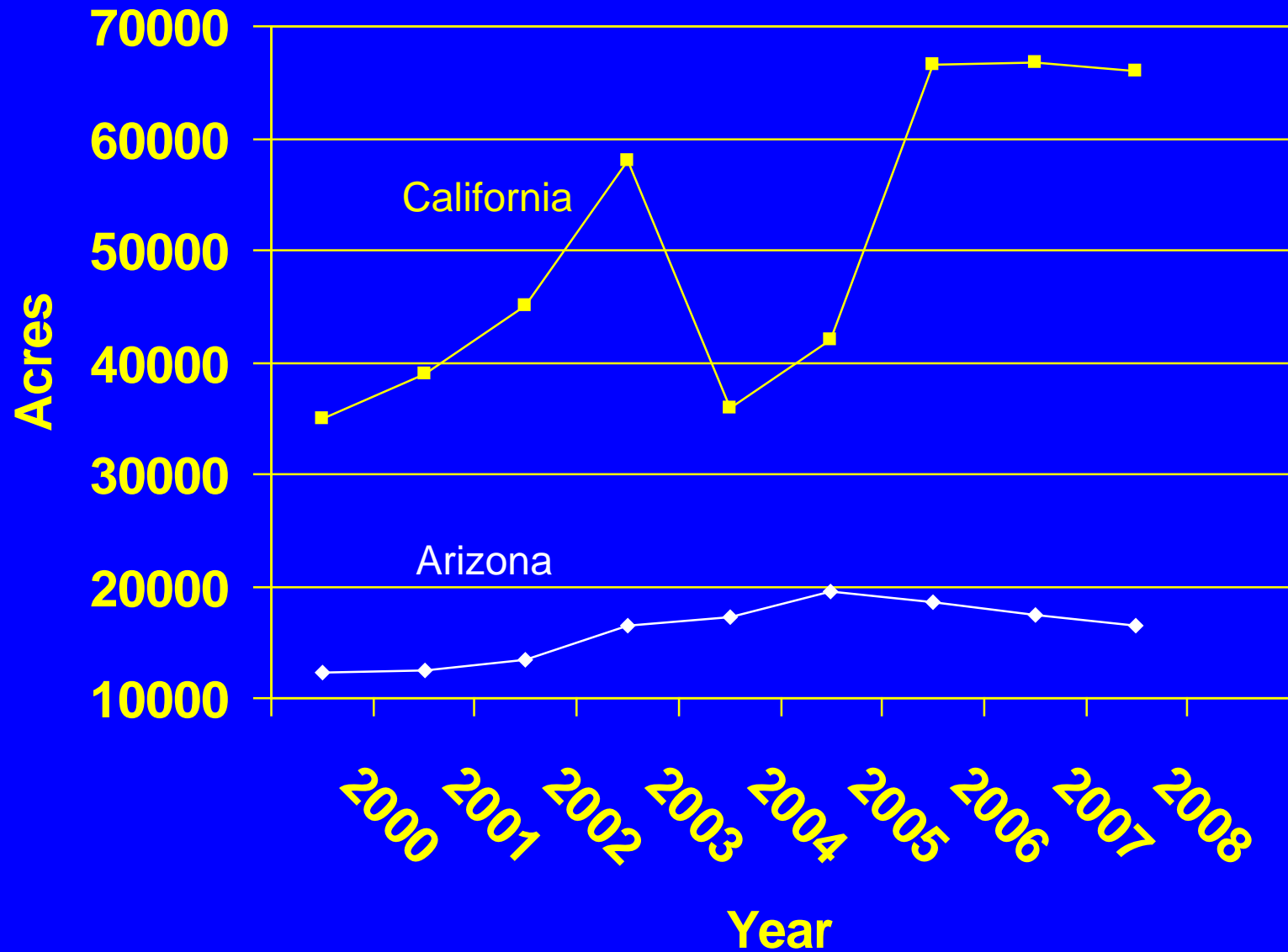
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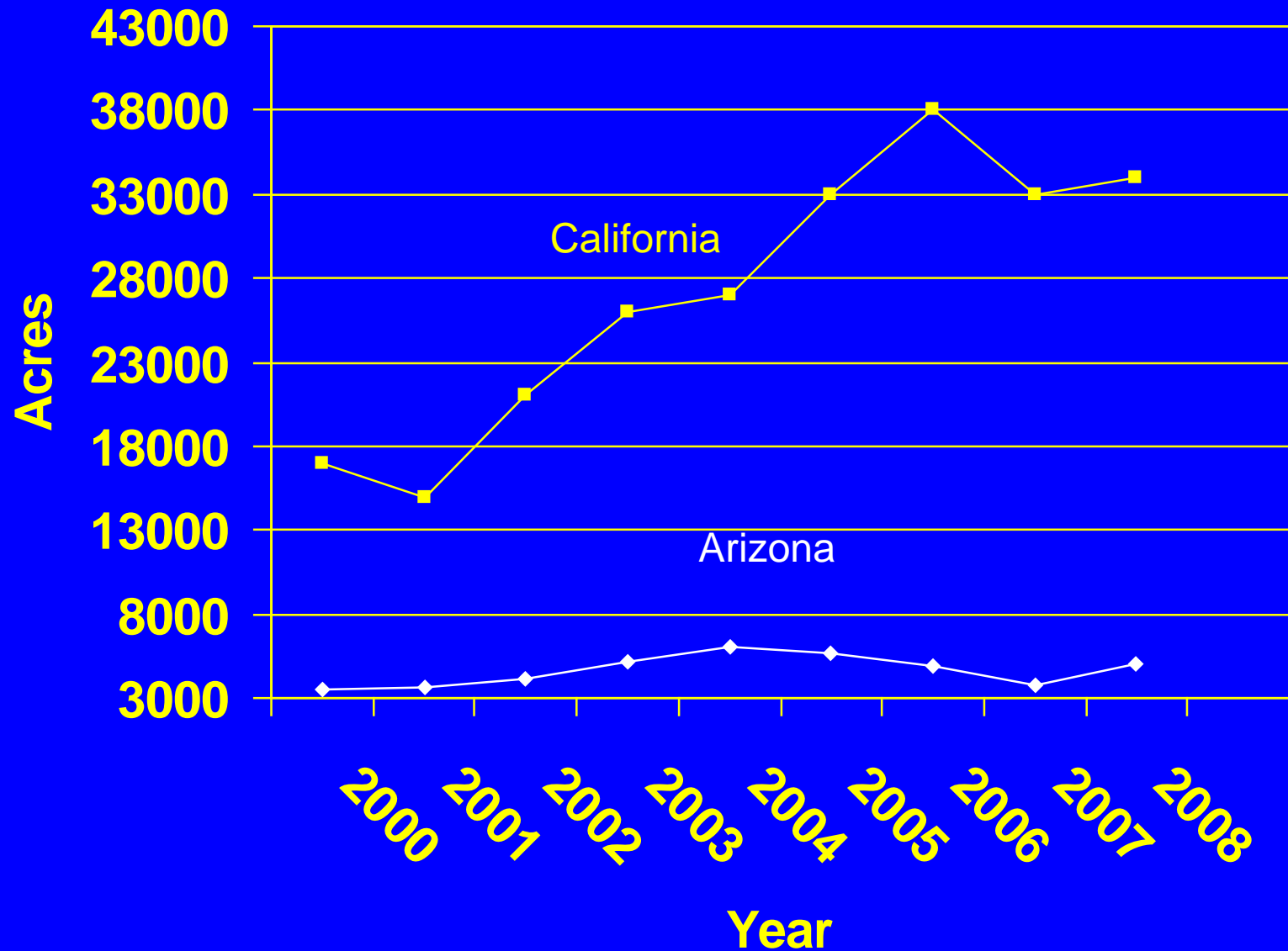
# Romaine

## Arizona - California



# Spinach

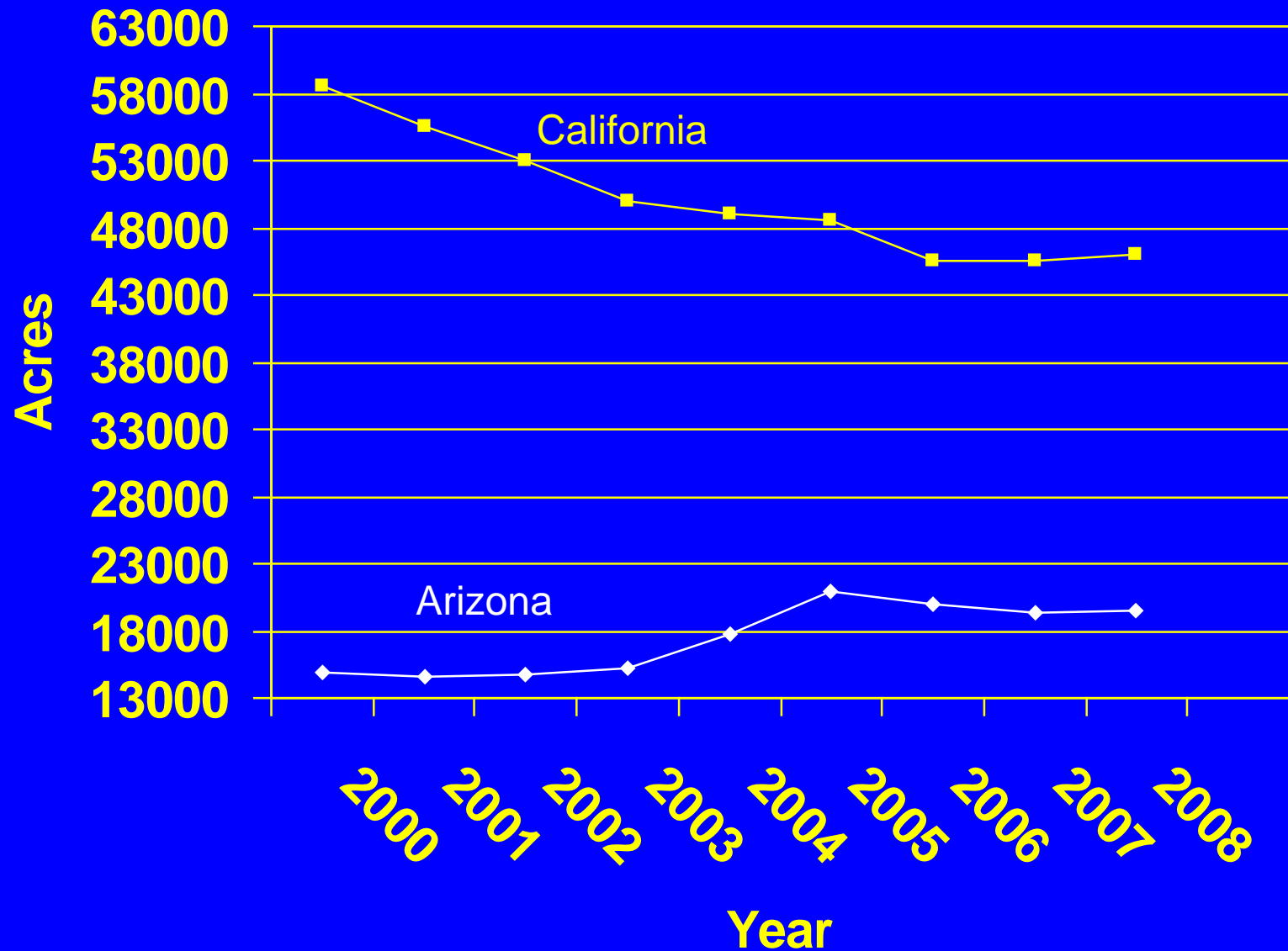
## Arizona - California





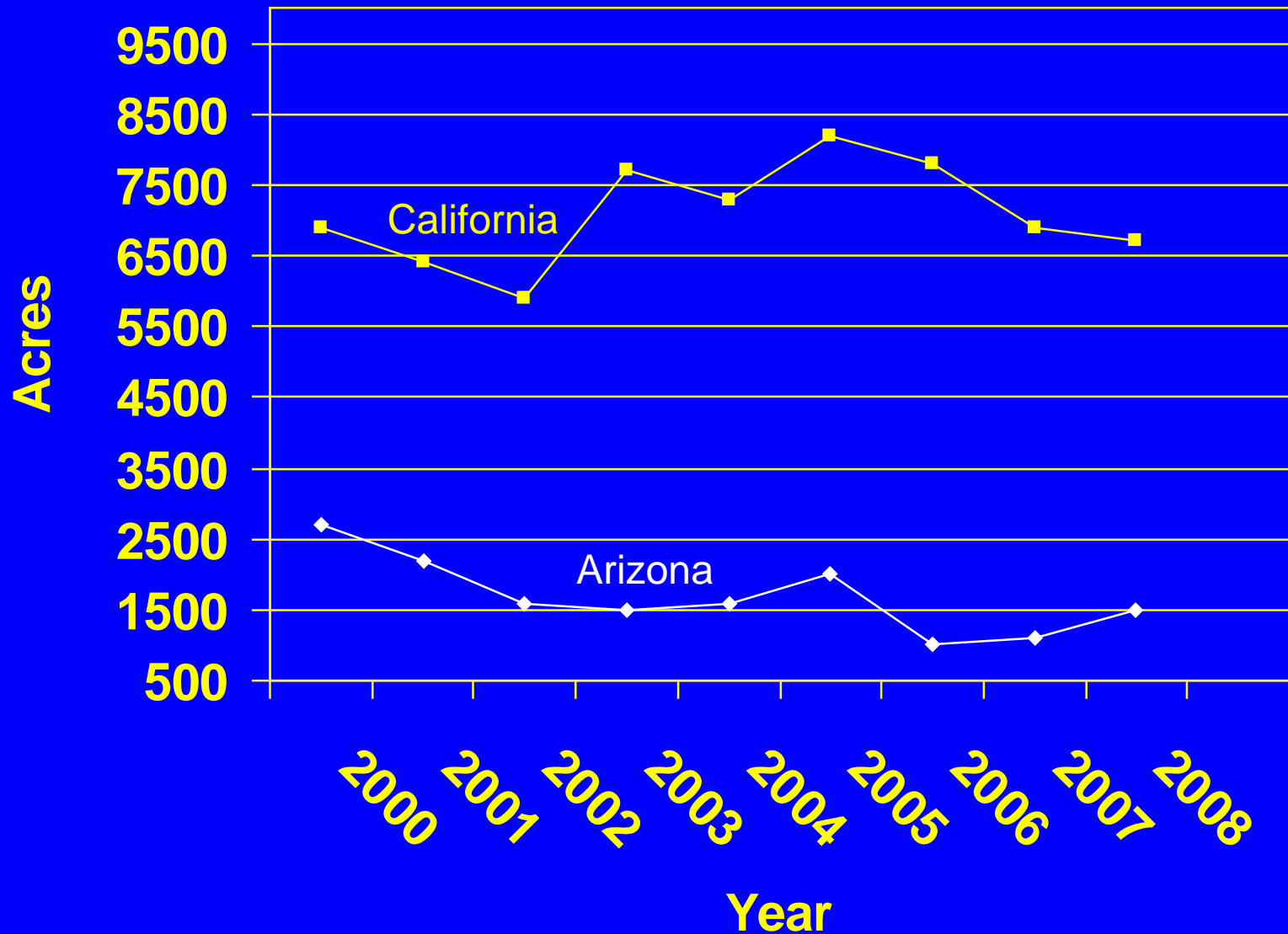
# Cantaloupe

## Arizona - California



# Onions (Spring)

## Arizona - California





**\$186/ac.**



**\$138/ac.**



**Untreated: 2007**

**Untreated: 2008**



**\$12/ac.**



**Dacthal 14pts.: 2007**

**\$16/ac.**



**Dacthal 14pts.: 2008**



**\$15/ac.**

**\$18/ac.**



**Prefar 6qts.+ GoalTender 6oz.: 2007**

**Prefar 6qts. + GoalTender 6oz.:2008**



## 2008 New Tolerances (246)

- 125 Fungicides
- 89 Insecticides
- 32 Herbicides (8 veg.)



