

How Innovation and Technical Trade Restrictions Impact Global Food Prices? Focus on Biotech

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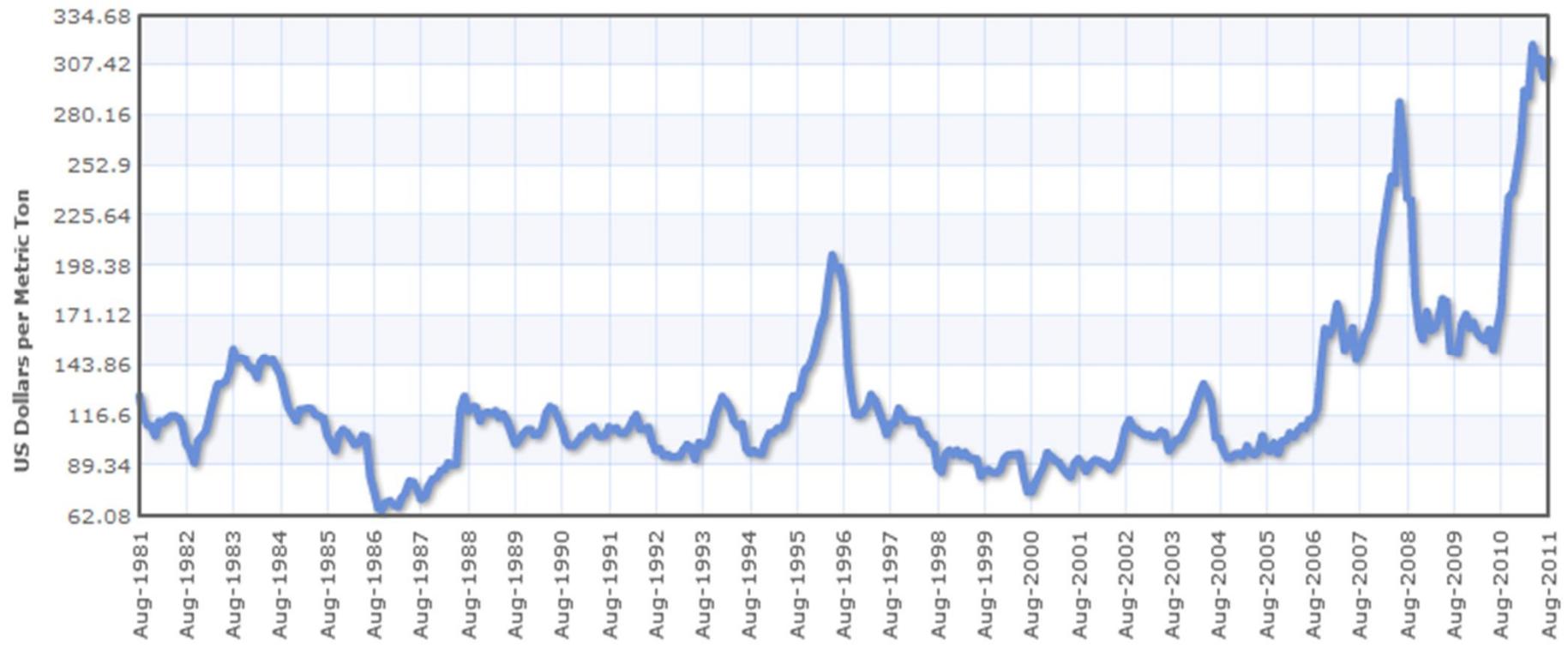
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Food prices: drivers and trends

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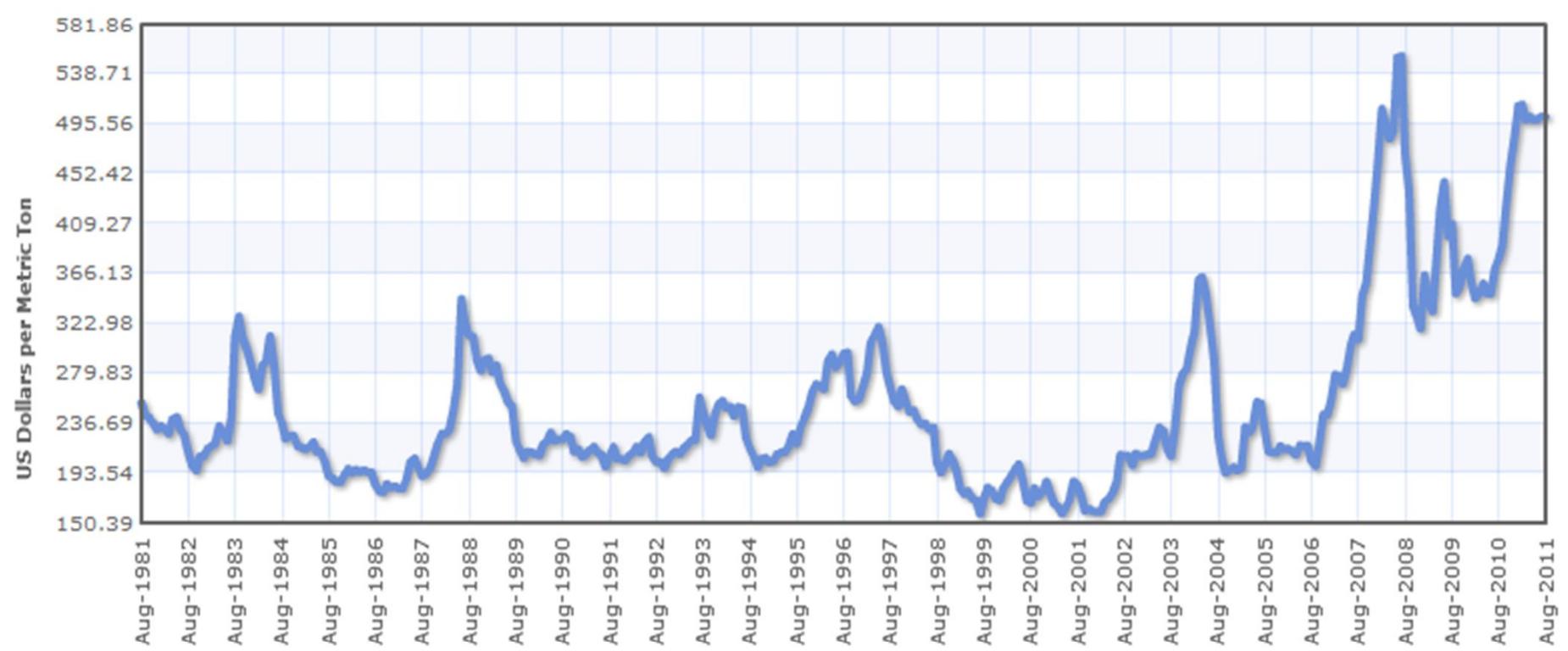
Monthly maize prices, 1980 to Aug 2011 (in current \$US/mt)



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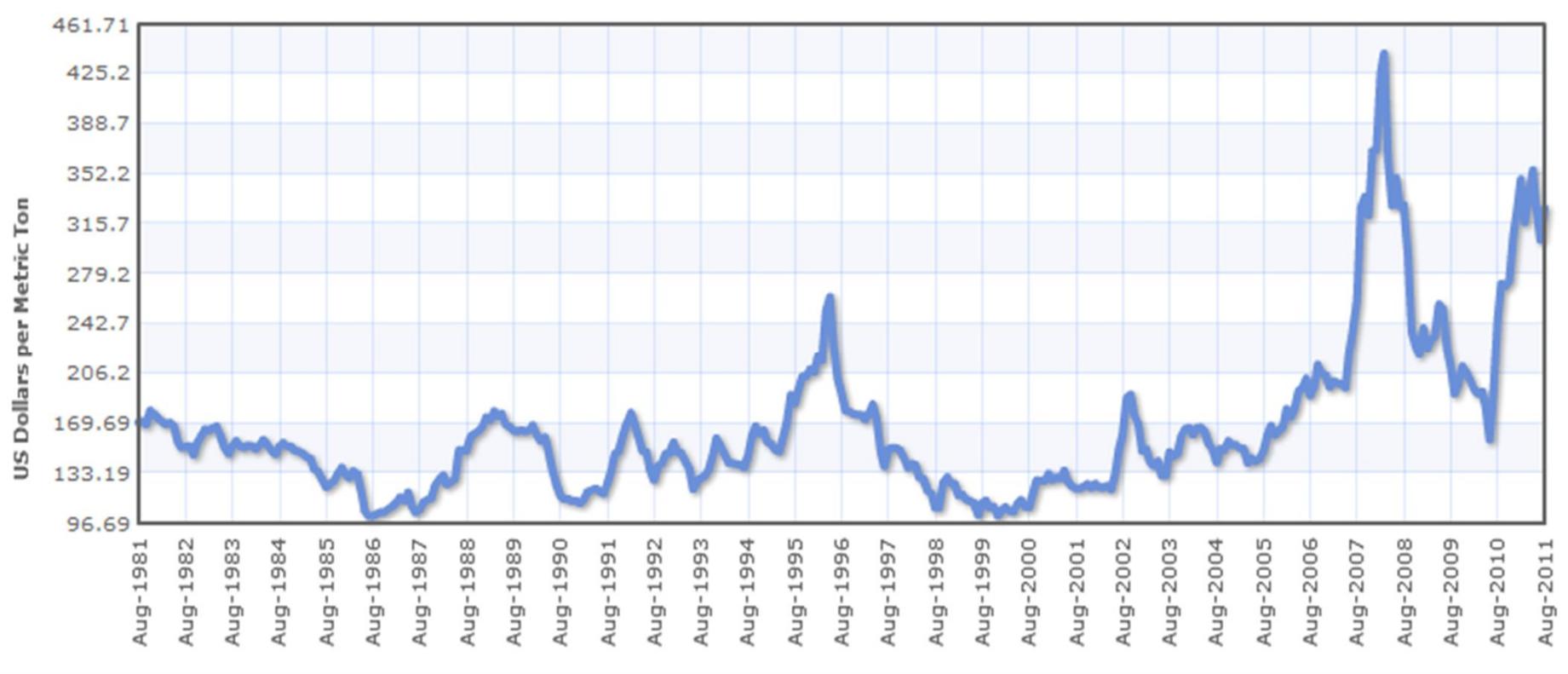
Monthly US soybean prices, 1980 to Aug 2011 (in current \$US/mt)



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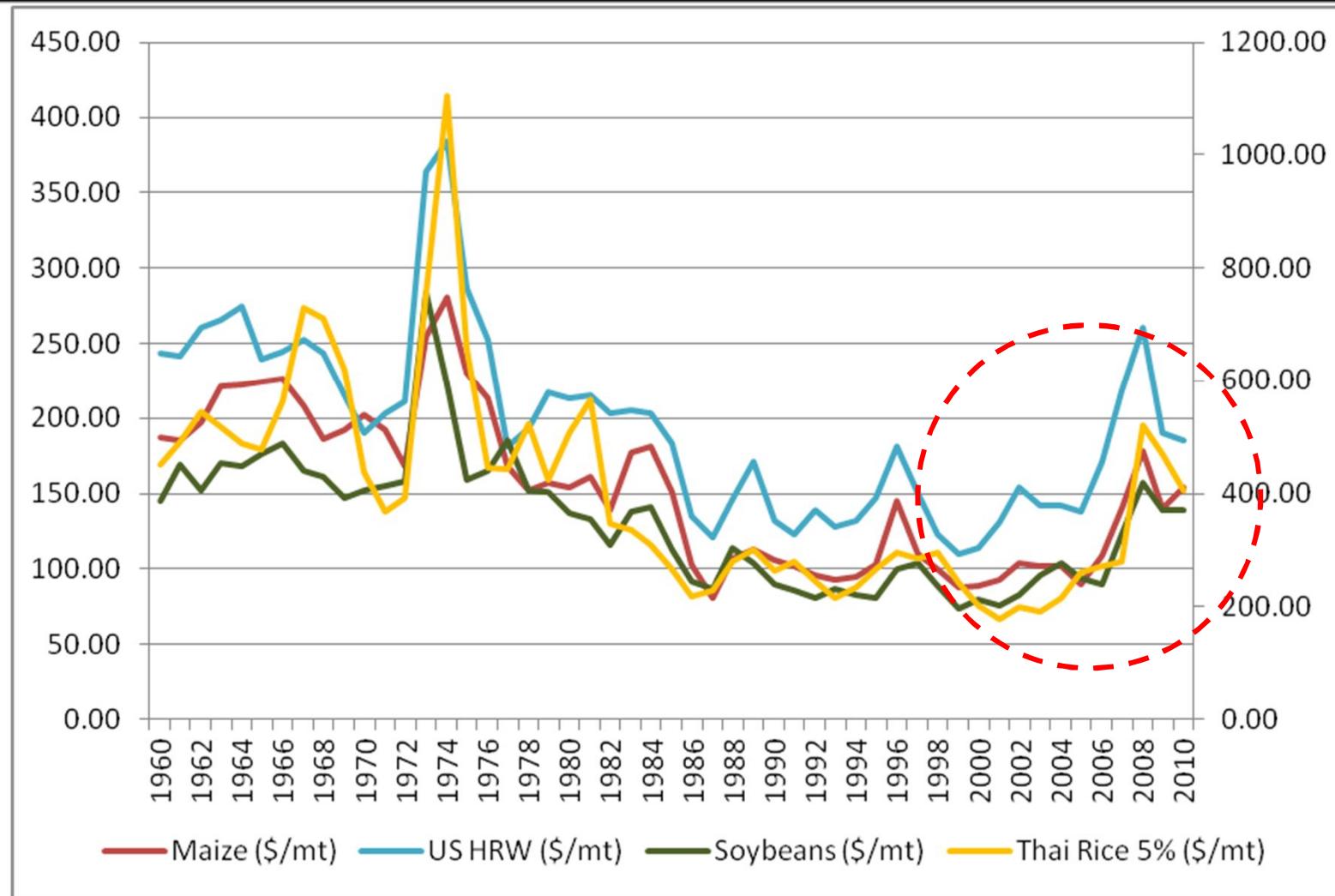
Monthly US wheat prices, 1980 to Aug 2011 (in current \$US/mt)



Source: CRB

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Annual real commodity prices, 1960-2010 (in 2000 \$US/mt)



Source: World Bank

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Drivers of price increases and the role of technology and trade

- A number of structural (demand and supply) factors have contributed to food price increases over the last decade
- Innovation, productivity growth and trade can temper price increases and volatility and government policies should pay attention to both
- ***Biotech in focus*** here due to its scope for sustained productivity growth and potential impact on agricultural commodity trade

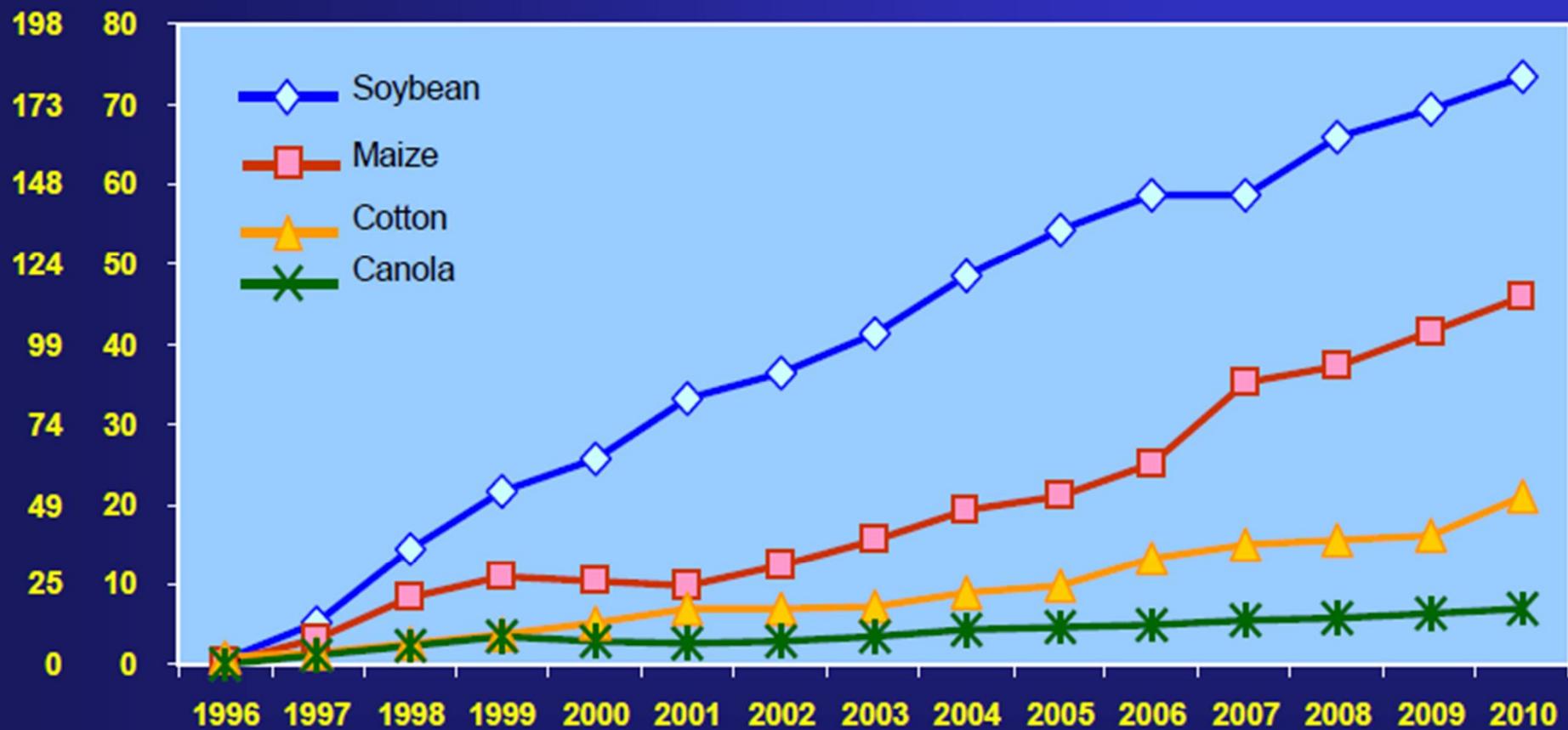


Impact of biotech on agricultural commodity prices

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Global biotech adoption 1996-2010

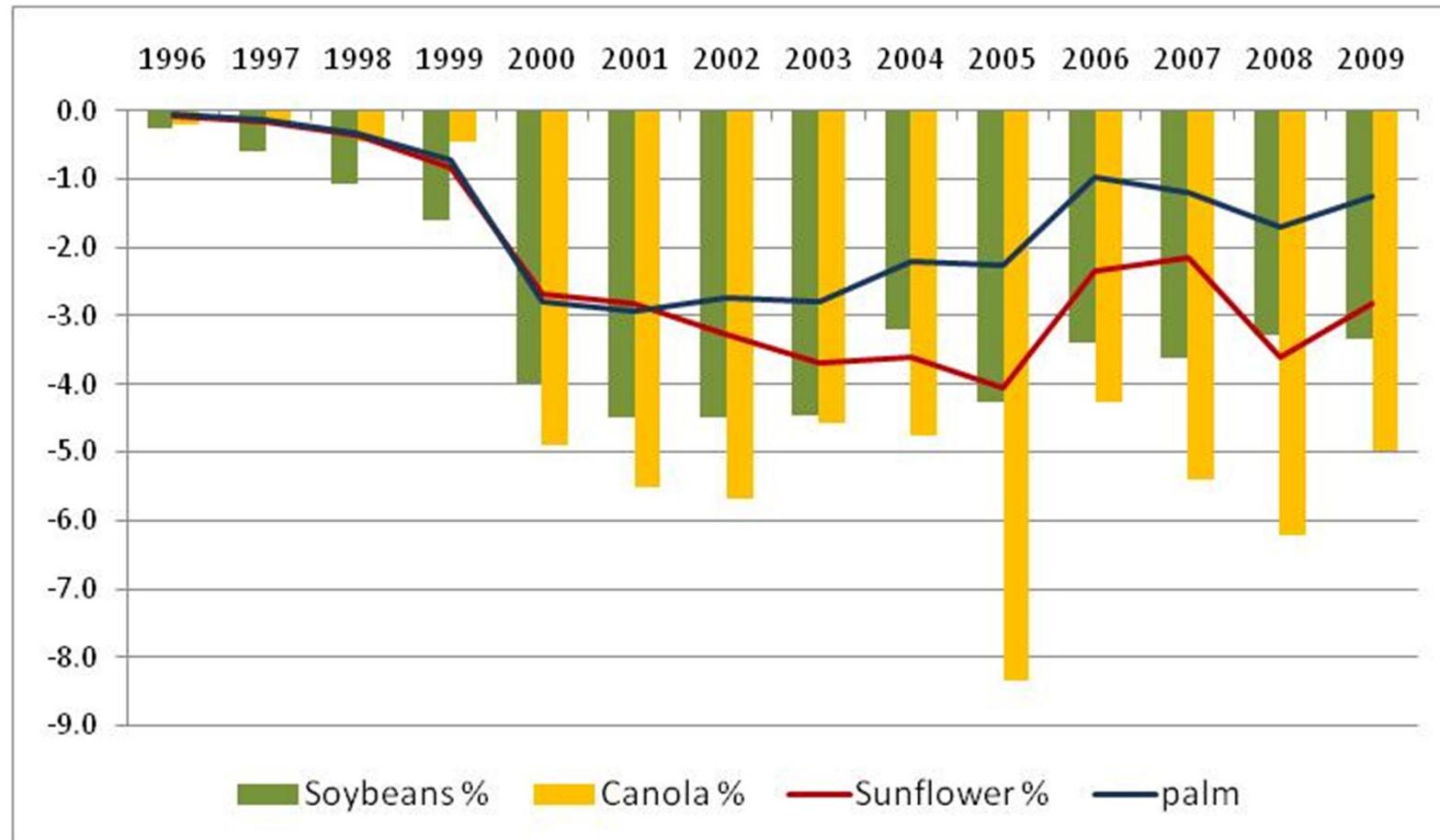
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Source: Clive James, 2010

Biotech adoption has led to expansion of supplies and lower commodity prices

Example: Impact of biotech on prices of various oilseeds



Source: Kalaitzandonakes, Alston and Kruse, 2011 (preliminary results)

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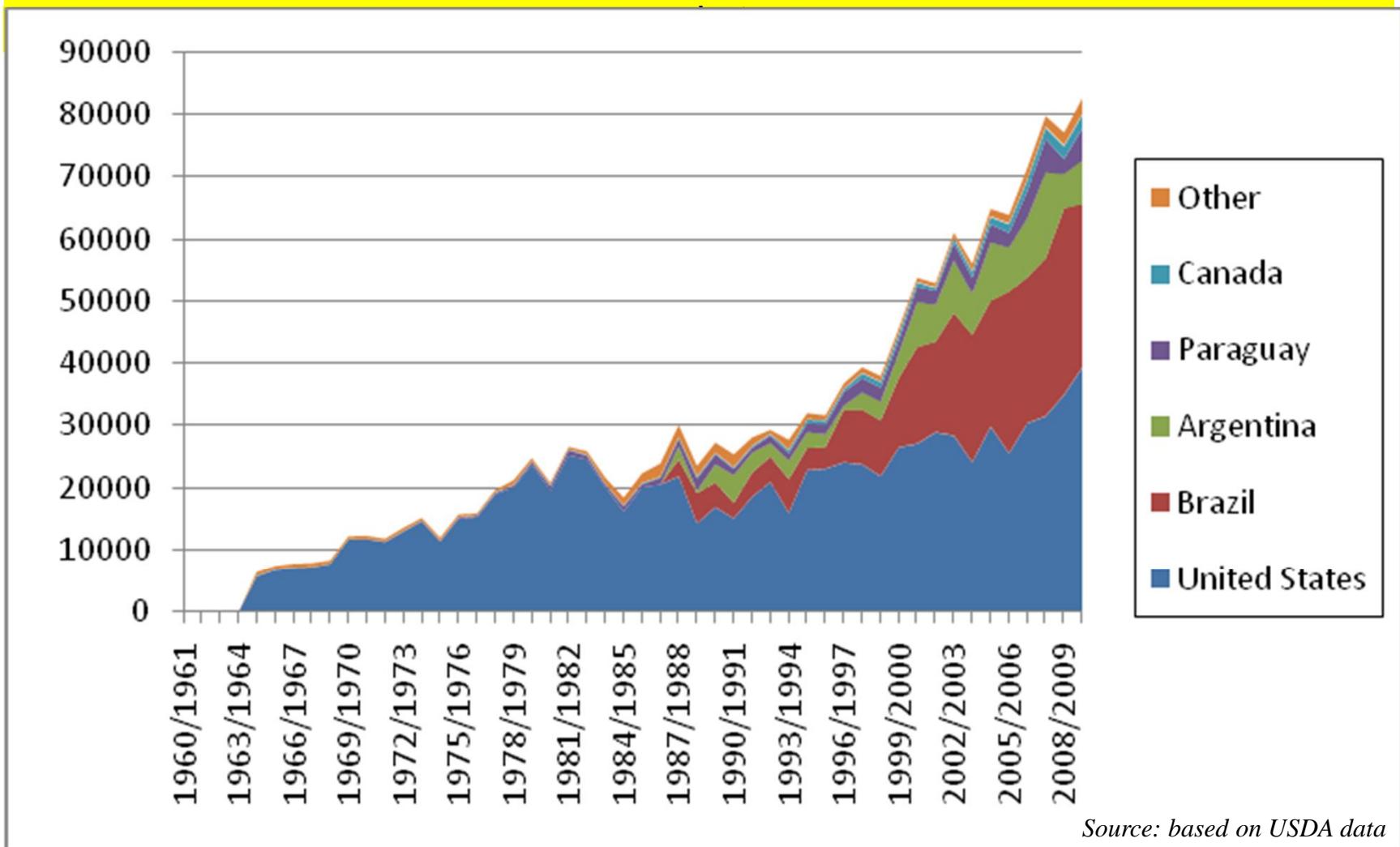


Transfer of biotech benefits through trade

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Key soybean exporting countries

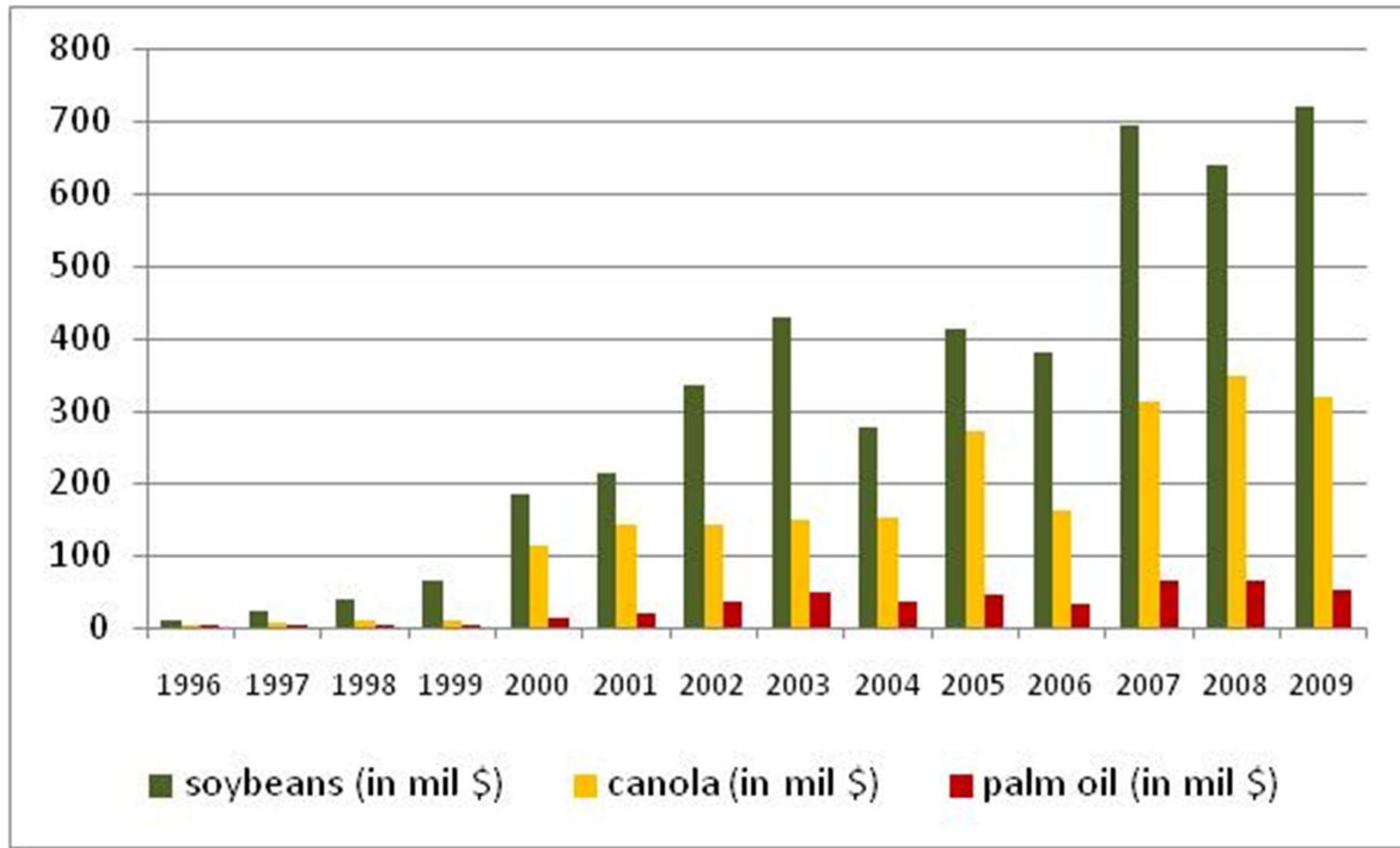
Biotech adopters export more than 95% of soybeans traded in international



Source: based on USDA data

Biotech benefits through trade – relative size

Example: Biotech impacts on China's oilseed markets



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Potential impacts of trade disruptions from regulatory asynchronicity & LLP

Asynchronicity: What's the problem?

Biotech Pipeline, Regulation and Trade

- Because the biotech pipeline has been expanding and the biotech regulatory systems and approvals in different countries have become less synchronized
- “Zero tolerance” policies for asynchronously approved GMOs imply zero trade
- Bilateral trade disruptions due to regulatory asynchronicity can be costly both to importing and exporting countries



Potential economic impacts of asynchronicity & LLP on China

source: J. Huang and J Yang, 2011

3 approved GM soybean events in China and 13 events approved in the USA

Approved by China marked in red; all events approved by USA

- 1 Roundup Ready™ (OECD Identifier: MON-Ø4Ø32-6)
 - 2 Genuity Roundup Ready 2 Yield™ (OECD Identifier: MON-89788-1)
 - 3 LibertyLink™ (OECD Identifier: ACS-GMØØ5-3)
 - 4 LibertyLink™ (OECD Identifier: ACS-GMØØ6-4)
 - 5 Cultivance™ (OECD Identifier: BPS-CV127-9)
 - 6 Optimum™ GAT™ (OECD Identifier: DP-356Ø43-5)
 - 7 TREUS™ (OECD Identifier: DP-3Ø5423-1)
 - 8 MON87701 (OECD Identifier: MON-877Ø1-2)
 - 9 MON87705 (OECD Identifier: MON-877Ø5-6)
 - 10 DuPont (lines: DD-Ø26ØØ5-3, DD-Ø26ØØ5-3, DD-Ø26ØØ5-3)
 - 11 LibertyLink™ (OECD Identifier: ACS-GMØØ4-2)
 - 12 LibertyLink™ (lines: ACS-GMØØ2-9, ACS-GMØØ1-8)
 - 13 LibertyLink™ (OECD Identifier: ACS-GMØØ3-1)
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12 GM maize events approved in China

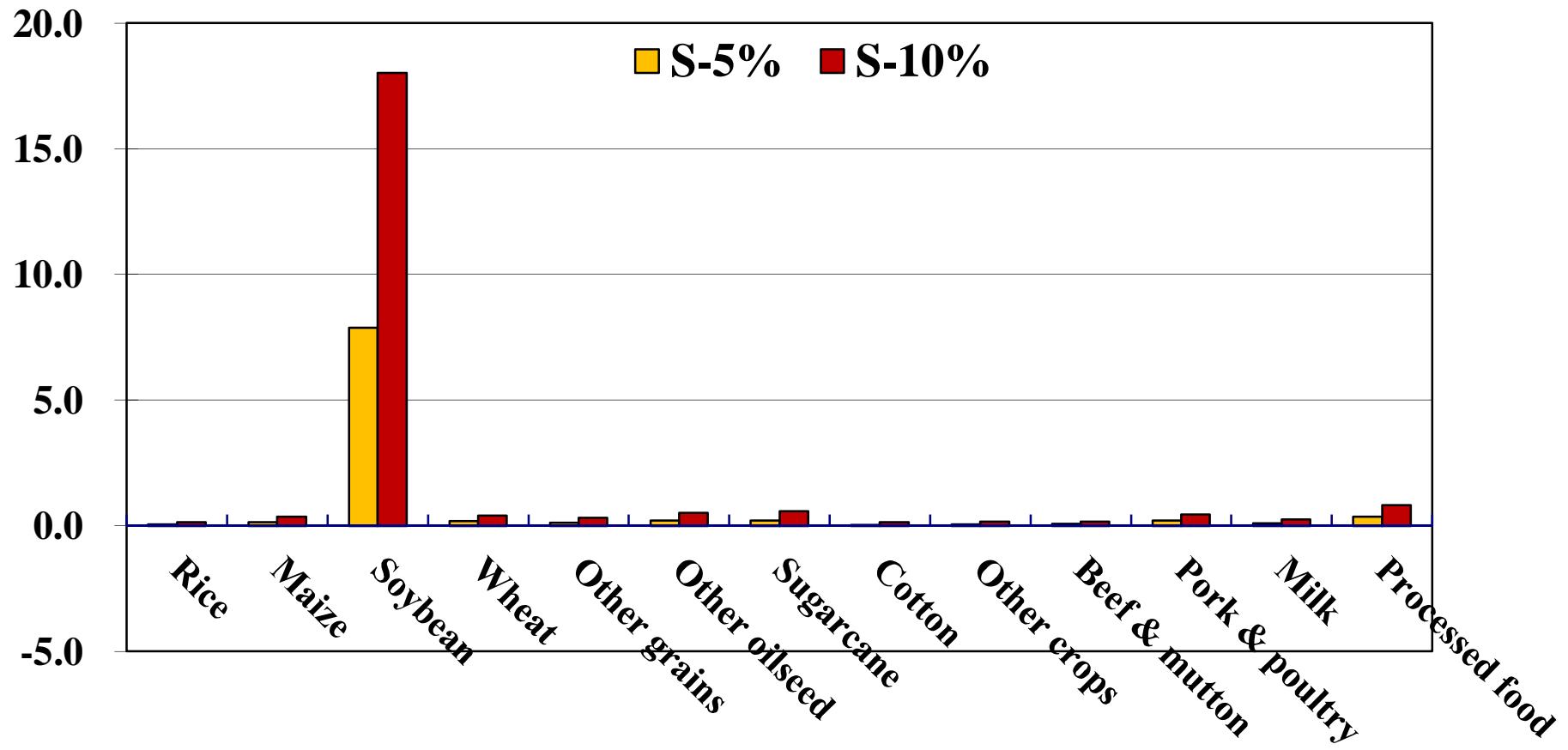
1	Agrisure CB Advantage™, Agrisure™ CB/LL (OECD Identifier: SYN-BTØ11-1)
2	KnockOut™, NatureGard™ (OECD Identifier: SYN-EV176-9)
3	Roundup Ready™, Agrisure GT™ (OECD Identifier: MON-ØØØ21-9)
4	Herculex I™ (OECD Identifier: DAS-Ø15Ø7-1)
5	Herculex RW™ (OECD Identifier: DAS-59122-7)
6	LibertyLink™ (OECD Identifier: ACS-ZMØØ3-2)
7	Agrisure RW™ (OECD Identifier: SYN-IR6Ø4-5)
8	YieldGard™, MaizeGard™ (OECD Identifier: MON-ØØ81Ø-6)
9	YieldGard Rootworm™, MaxGard™ (OECD Identifier: MON-ØØ863-5)
10	LibertyLink™ (OECD Identifier: DKB-8979Ø-5)
11	Roundup Ready 2™ (OECD Identifier: MON-ØØ6Ø3-6)
12	phytase B23 (OECD Identifier: line: B23-3-1)

18 GM maize events not yet approved in China but approved in the USA

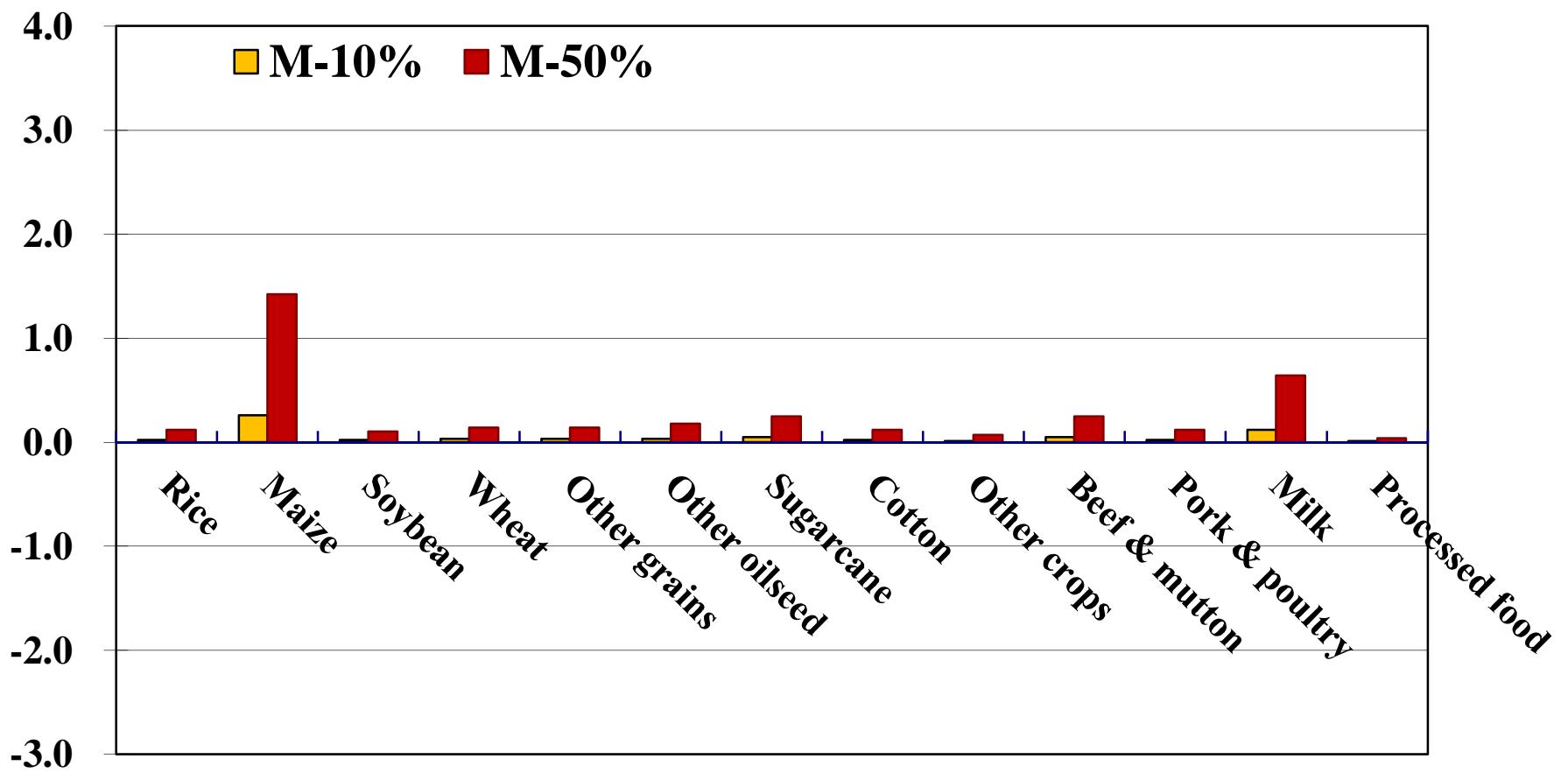
1	YieldGard VT Pro™ (OECD Identifier: MON-89Ø34-3)
2	Enogen™ (OECD Identifier: SYN-E3272-5)
3	Optimum™ GAT™ (OECD Identifier: DP-Ø9814Ø-6)
4	Mavera™ (OECD Identifier: REN-ØØØ38-3)
5	Agrisure Viptera™ (OECD Identifier: SYN-IR162-4)
6	MON87460 (OECD Identifier: MON-8746Ø-4)
7	YieldGard VT RW™ (OECD Identifier: MON-88Ø17-3)
8	Bt-Xtra™ (OECD Identifier: DKB-89614-9)
9	LibertyLink™ (OECD Identifier: ACS-ZMØØ2-1)
10	StarLink™ (OECD Identifier: ACS-ZMØØ4-3)
11	YieldGard™ (OECD Identifier: line: MON801)
12	YieldGard™ (OECD Identifier: MON-8Ø2ØØ-7)
13	MON809 (OECD Identifier: PH-MON8Ø9-2)
14	Roundup Ready™ (OECD Identifier: line: MON832, MON831, MON830)
15	SeedLink™ (OECD Identifier: ACS-ZMØØ1-9)
16	SeedLink™ (OECD Identifier: ACS-ZMØØ5-4)
17	Pioneer MS (OECD Identifier: PH-ØØØ676-7, PH-ØØØ678-9, PH-ØØØ68Ø-2)
18	TC 6275 (OECD Identifier: DAS-Ø6275-8)

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Impacts on Prices of China's Ag Commodities under different scenarios of soybean import restrictions in 2010 (relative to baseline, %)



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Potential economic impacts of asynchronicity & LLP on the EU

source: Kalaitzandonakes, Miller and Kauffman, 2011

Supply and price impacts on EU maize sector

Country/Region	Difference in Supply	Difference in Demand	Difference in Price
EU27	1.8%	-1.7%	4.7%
BRZ	-0.3%	0.3%	-0.7%
ARG	-1.0%	3.4%	-4.1%
USA	-0.5%	0.6%	-1.2%
CHN	-0.2%	0.2%	-0.4%
PAR	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
CAN	-0.2%	0.2%	-0.5%
MEX	-0.2%	0.2%	-0.3%
BUR	1.5%	-3.3%	3.6%
WBA	2.0%	-2.7%	3.7%
REU	1.6%	-1.9%	4.8%
RUB	1.9%	-2.4%	4.0%
UKR	1.4%	-2.1%	3.4%
CAM	-2.3%	1.5%	-5.3%
VEN	-2.0%	1.8%	-4.5%

Supply and price impacts on EU soybean complex

Commodity	Difference in Supply	Difference in domestic supply	Difference in Price
Soybeans	-7.73 MMT	+0.48 MMT	+220%
Soy meal	-18.91 MMT	-4.89 MMT	+211%
Soy oil	-0.84 MMT	+0.017 MMT	+202%

Concluding Comments

- Structural factors and some new constraints (e.g. climate change) will likely continue to pressure global food prices
- Biotech and other innovations will need to keep supply growth rates in line with demand ones and, along with trade, prices at sustainable levels
- Regulatory asynchronicity and zero tolerance would impact trade like any other technical barriers
- Attention to LLP policies and regulatory synchronicity deserve strong attention