

# Seed & Seedling Costs over Time

Seed Use Efficiency Meeting 2008



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  - Seedling Request Trends
  - Potential Influences on Seedling Prices
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  - Source of Seed
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- Summary



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  - Ministry of Forests Programs
  - Competitive Tenders
  - Relevance on a Provincial Level
- Seedling Request Trends
- Influences on Seedling Prices

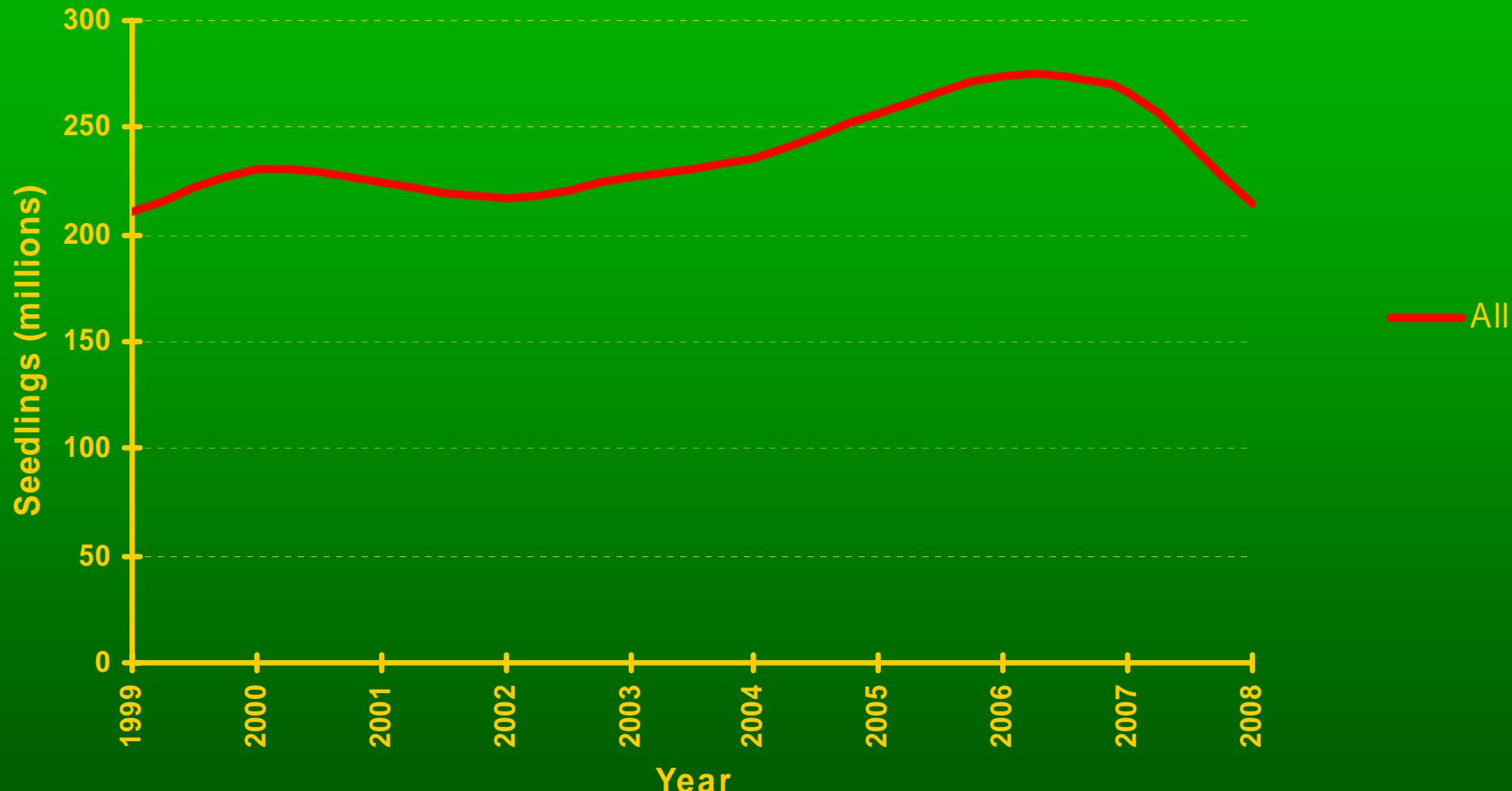


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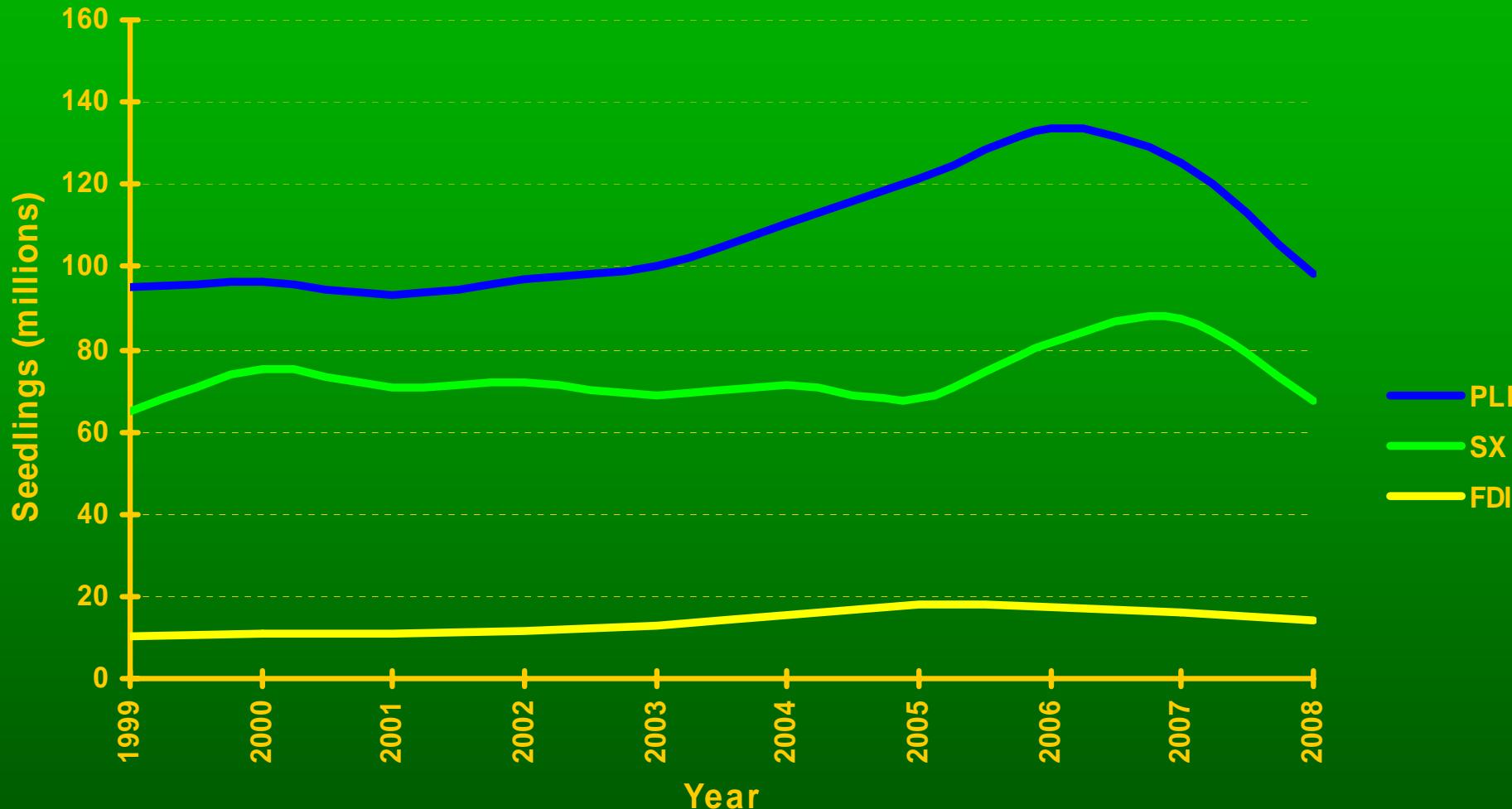
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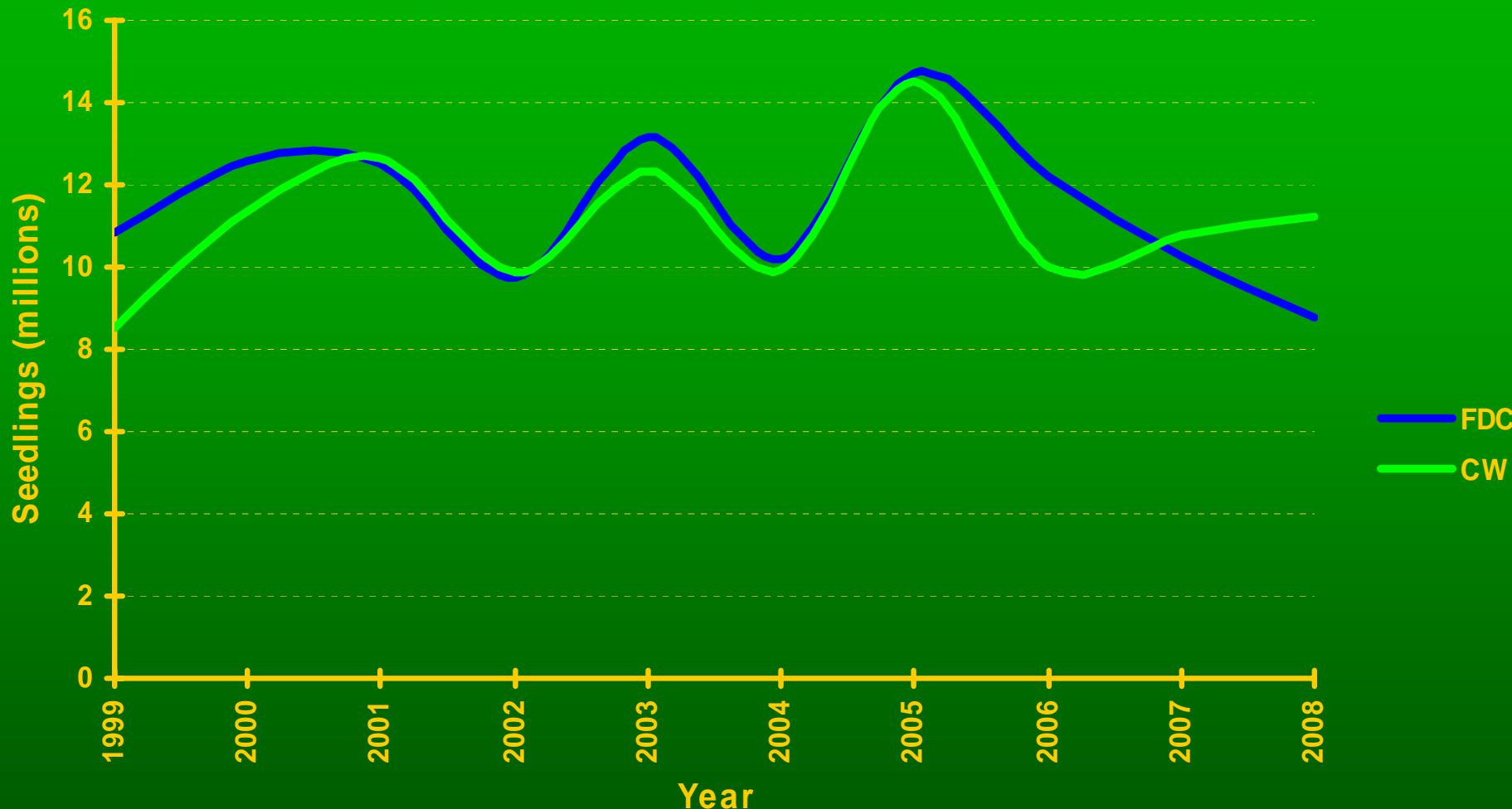
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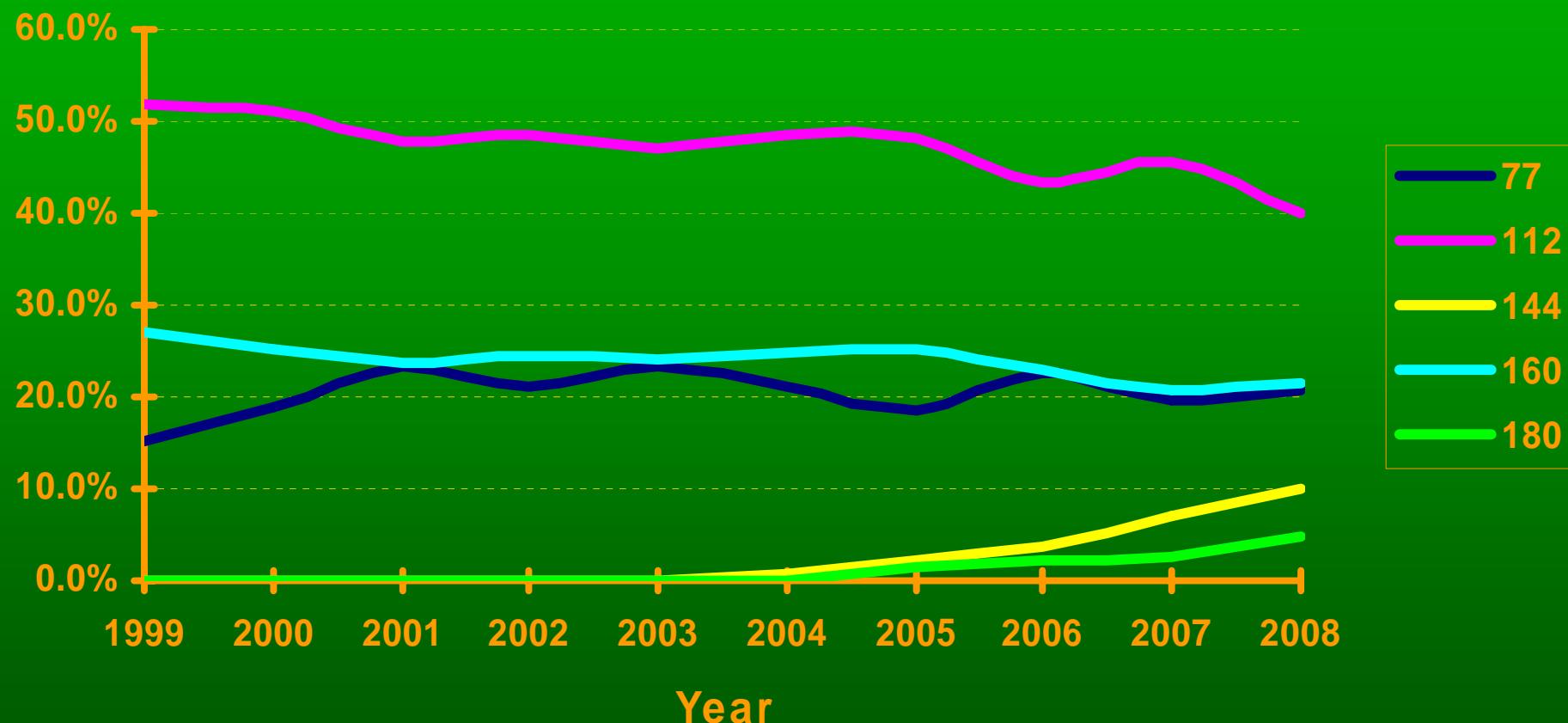


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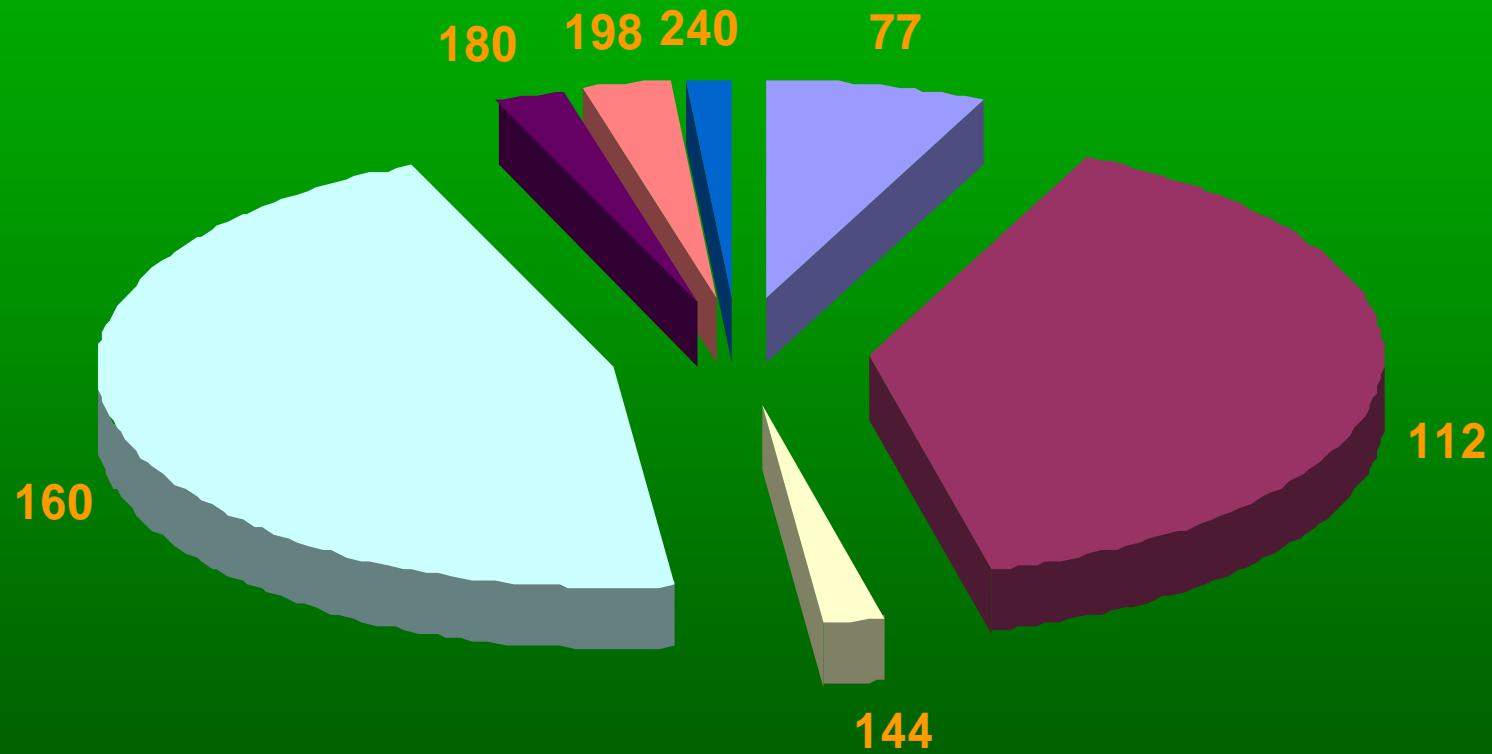
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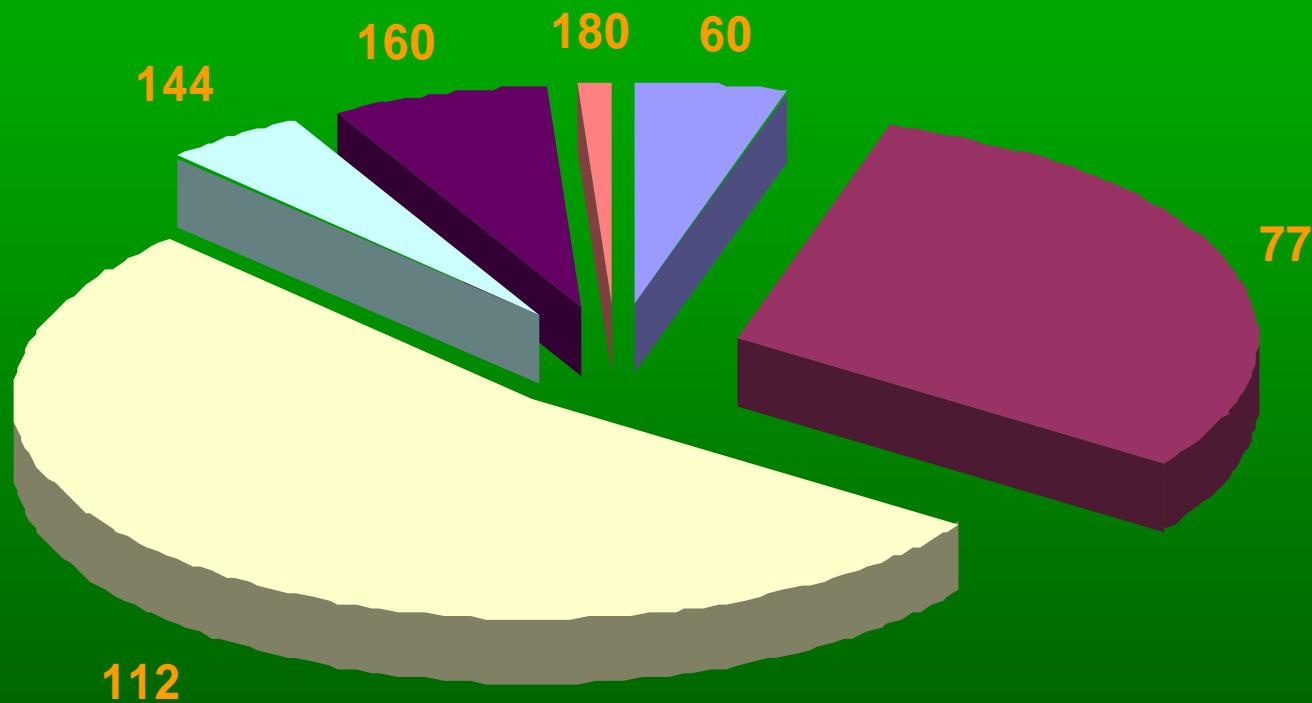
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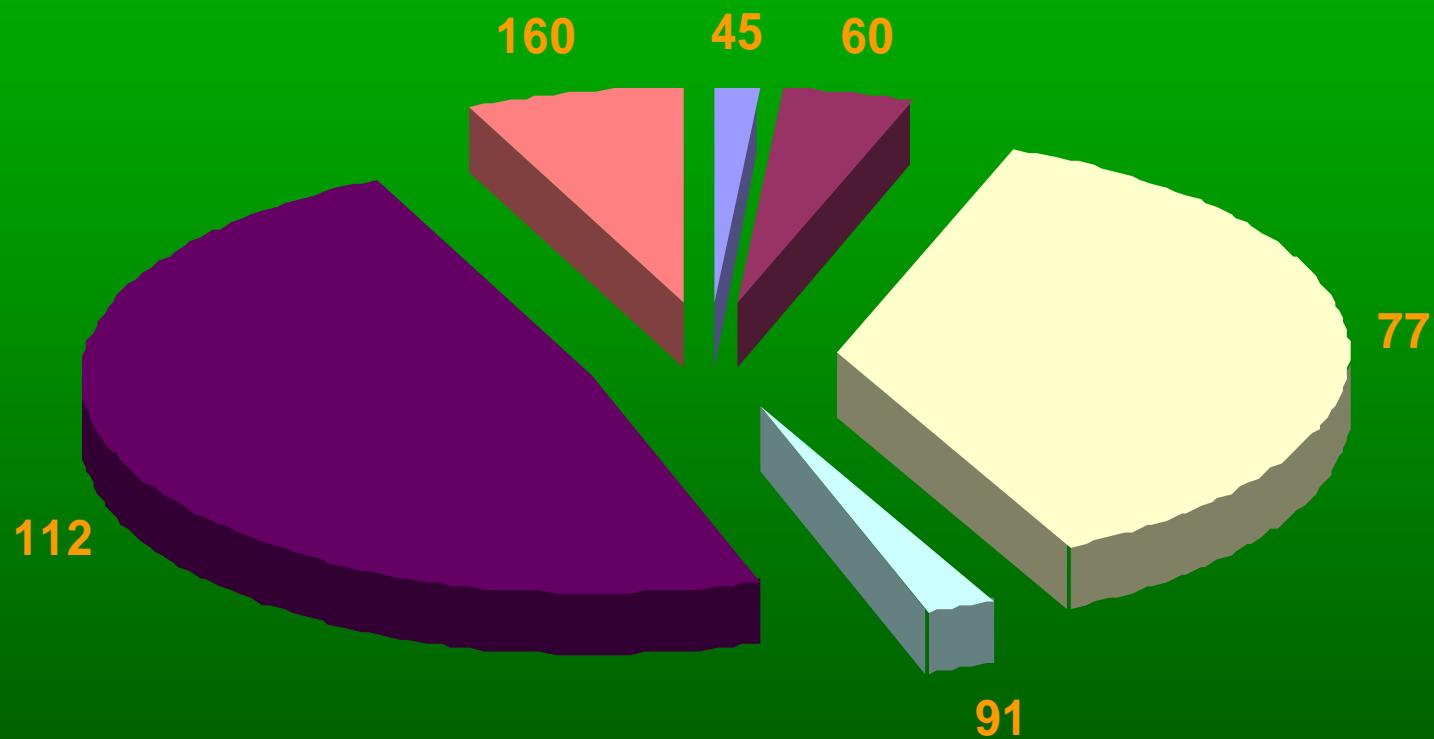
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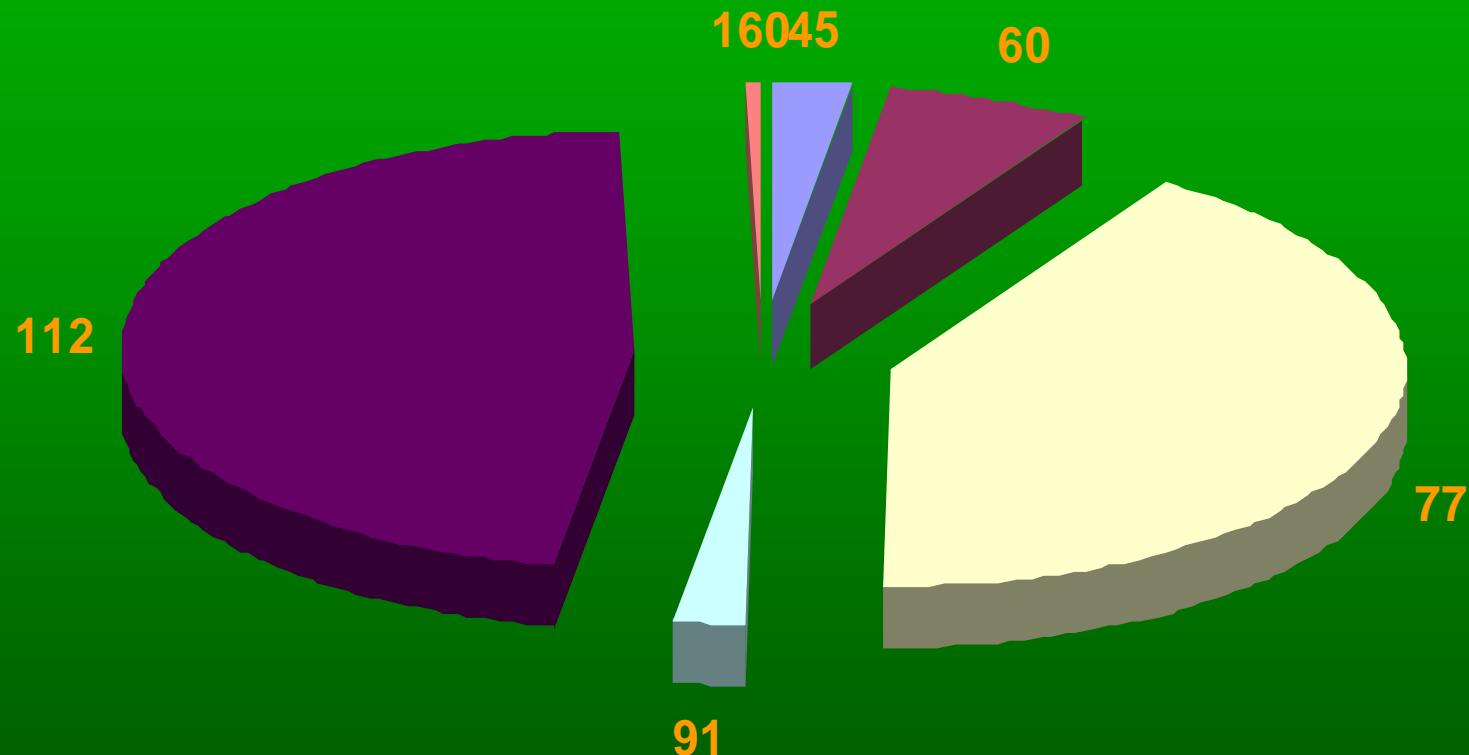
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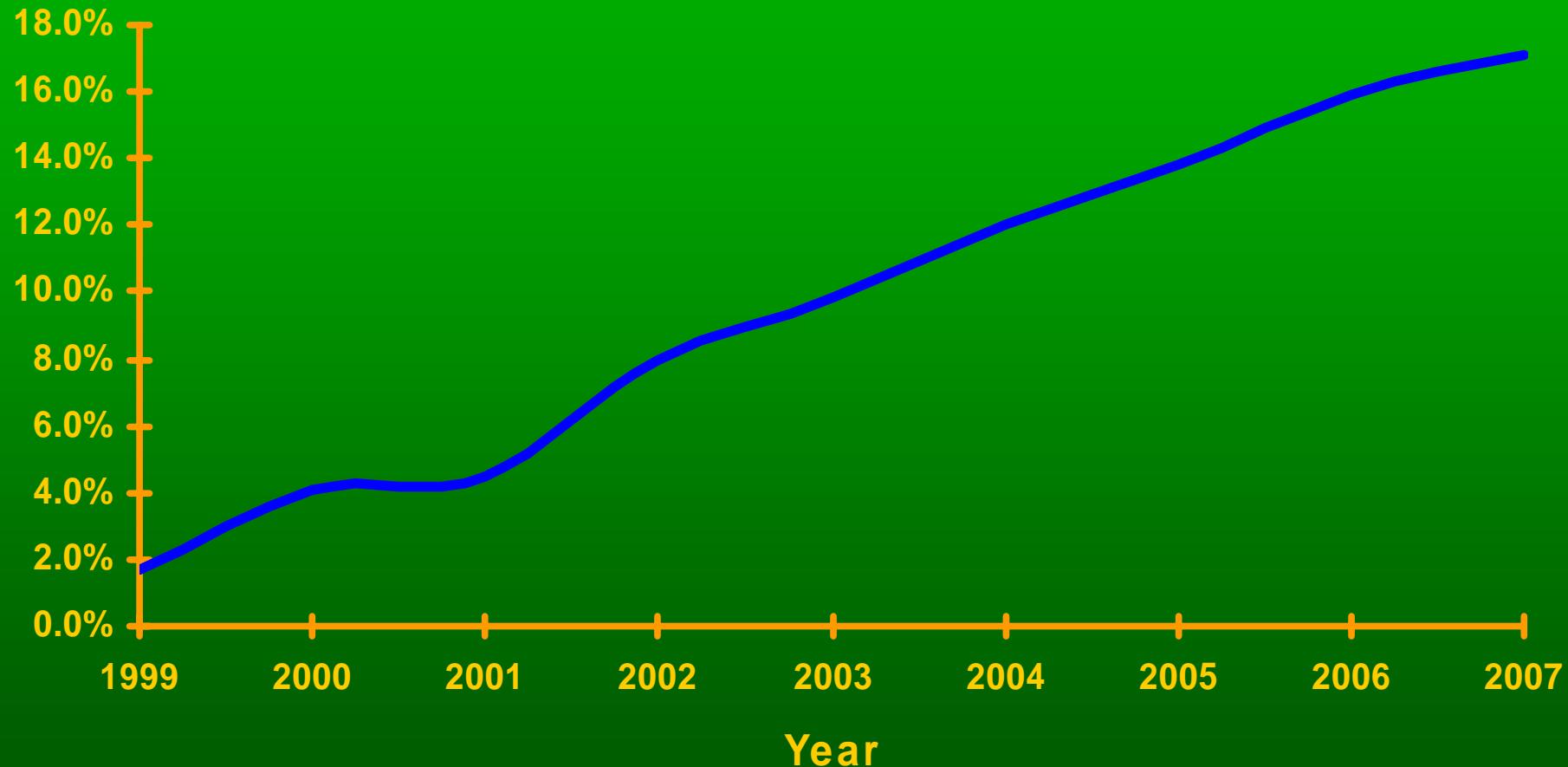
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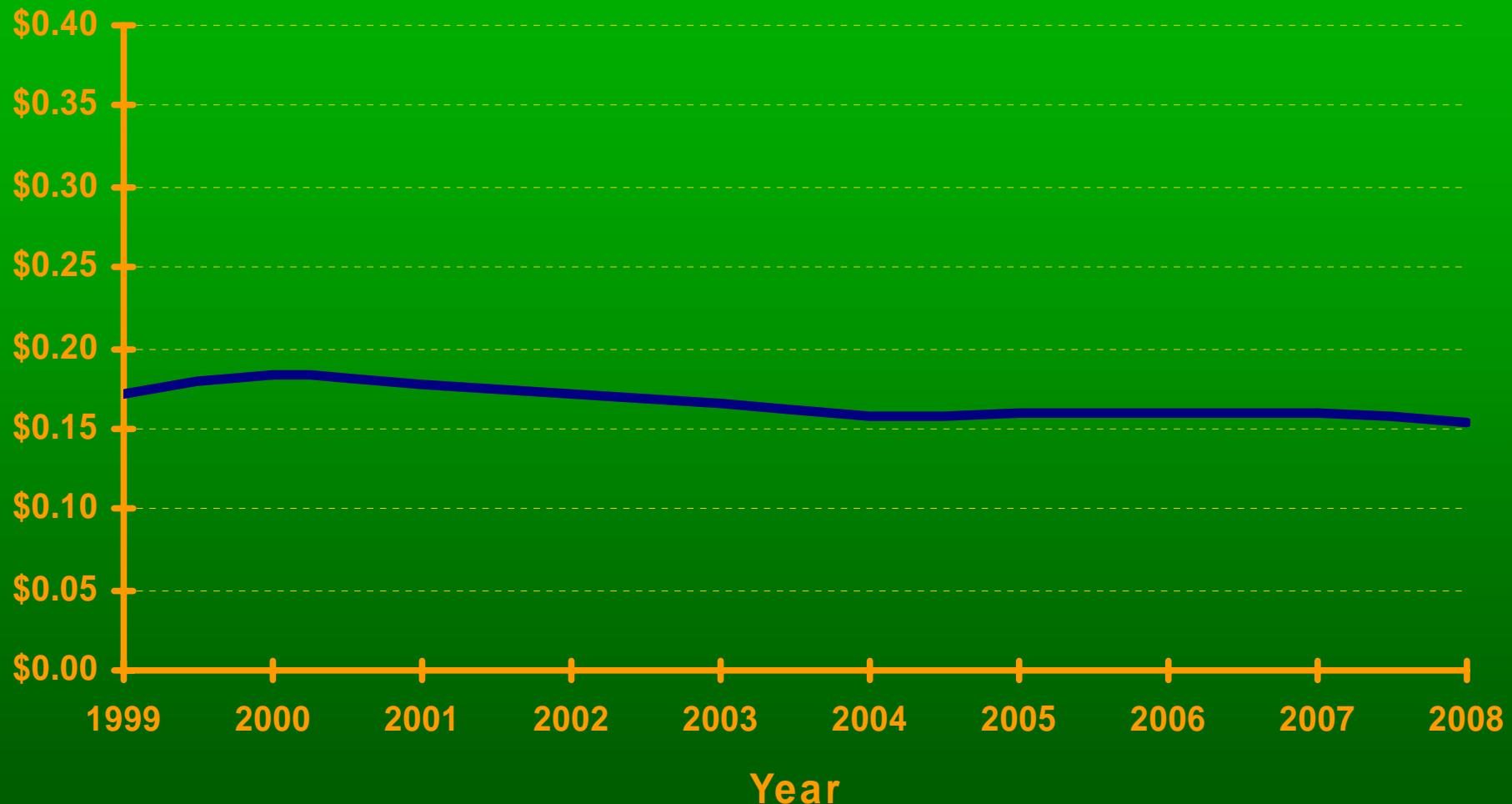


# BC Annual Rate of Inflation

BC Stats Consumer Price Index



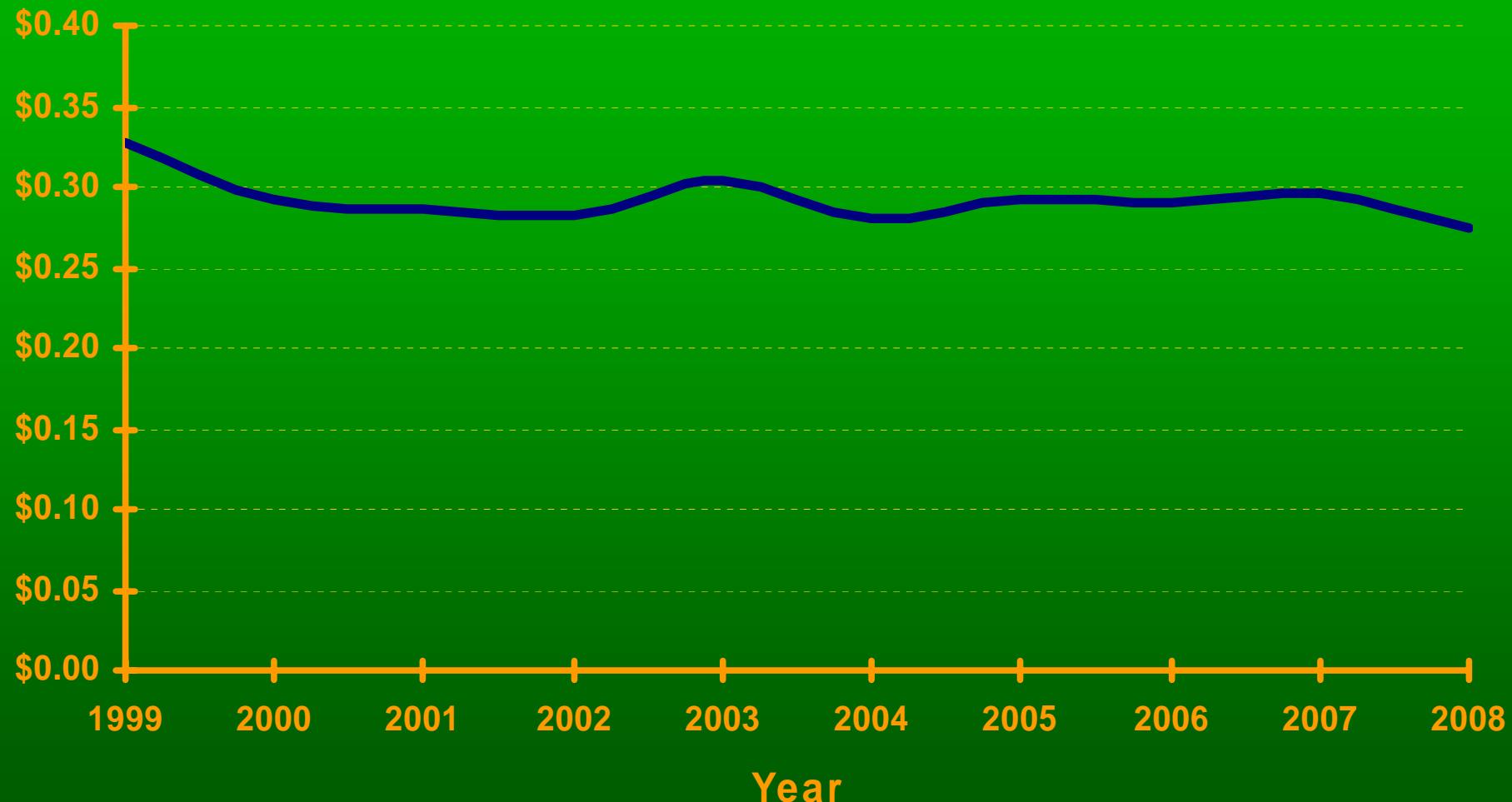
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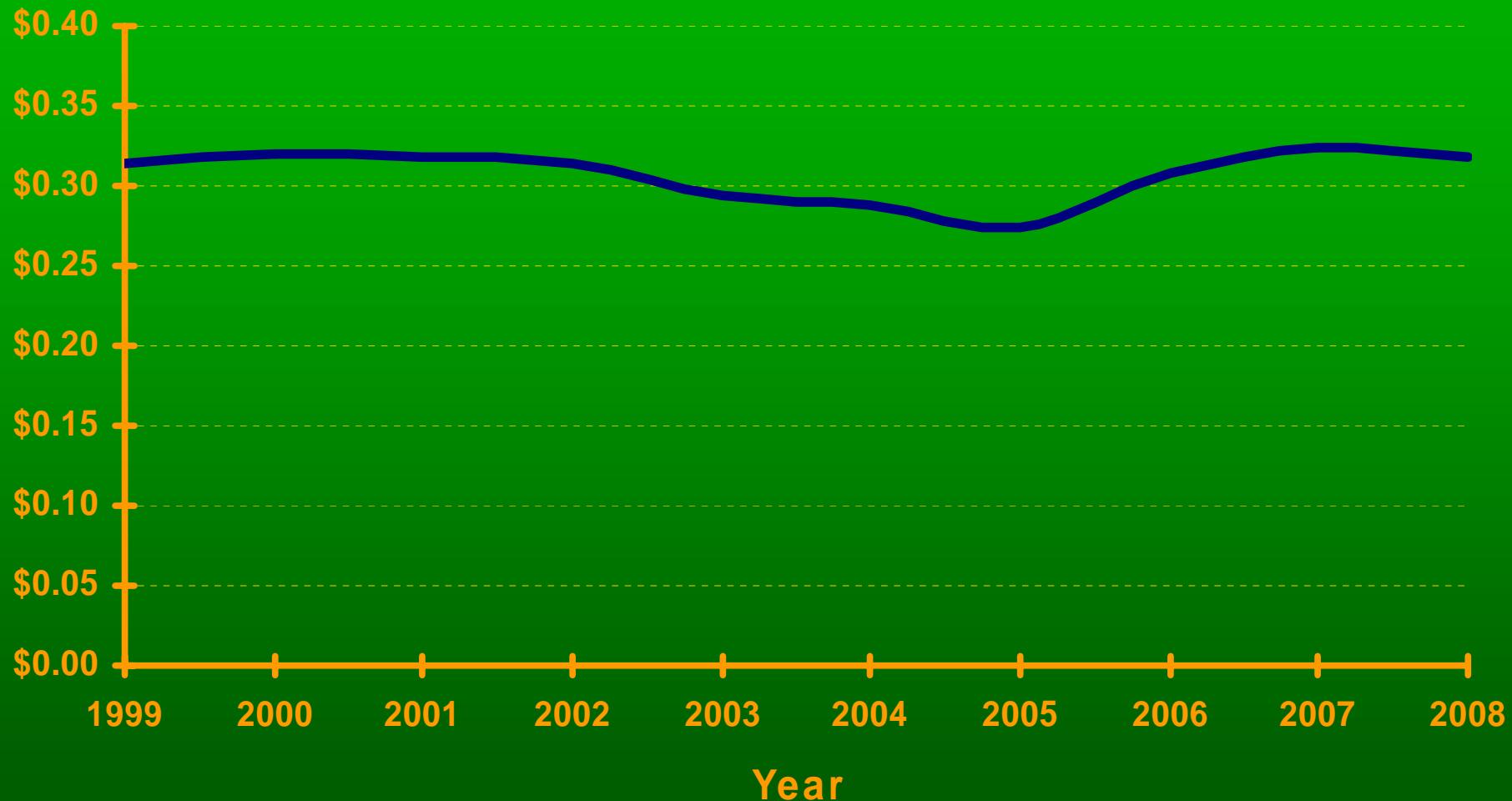
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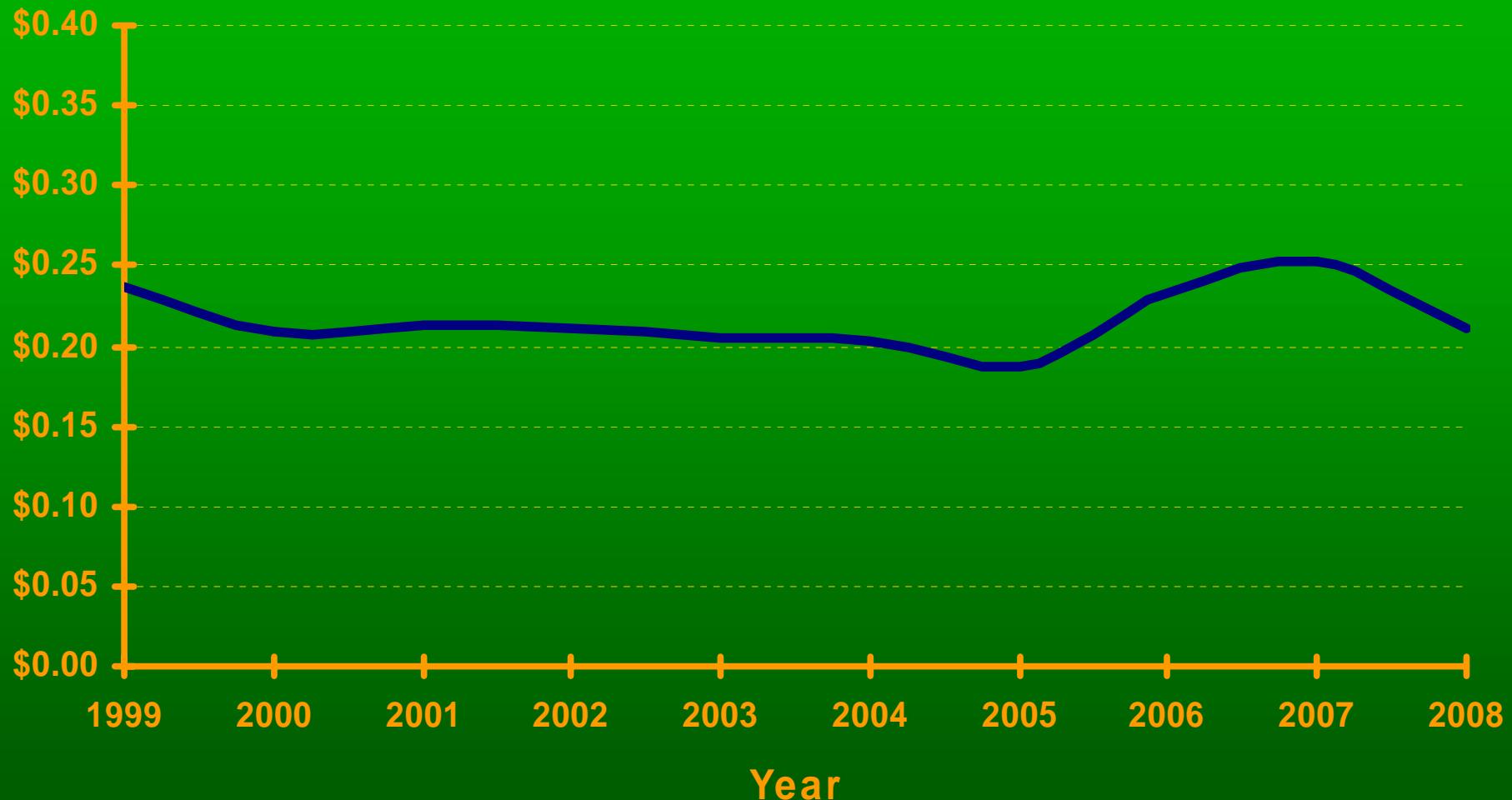
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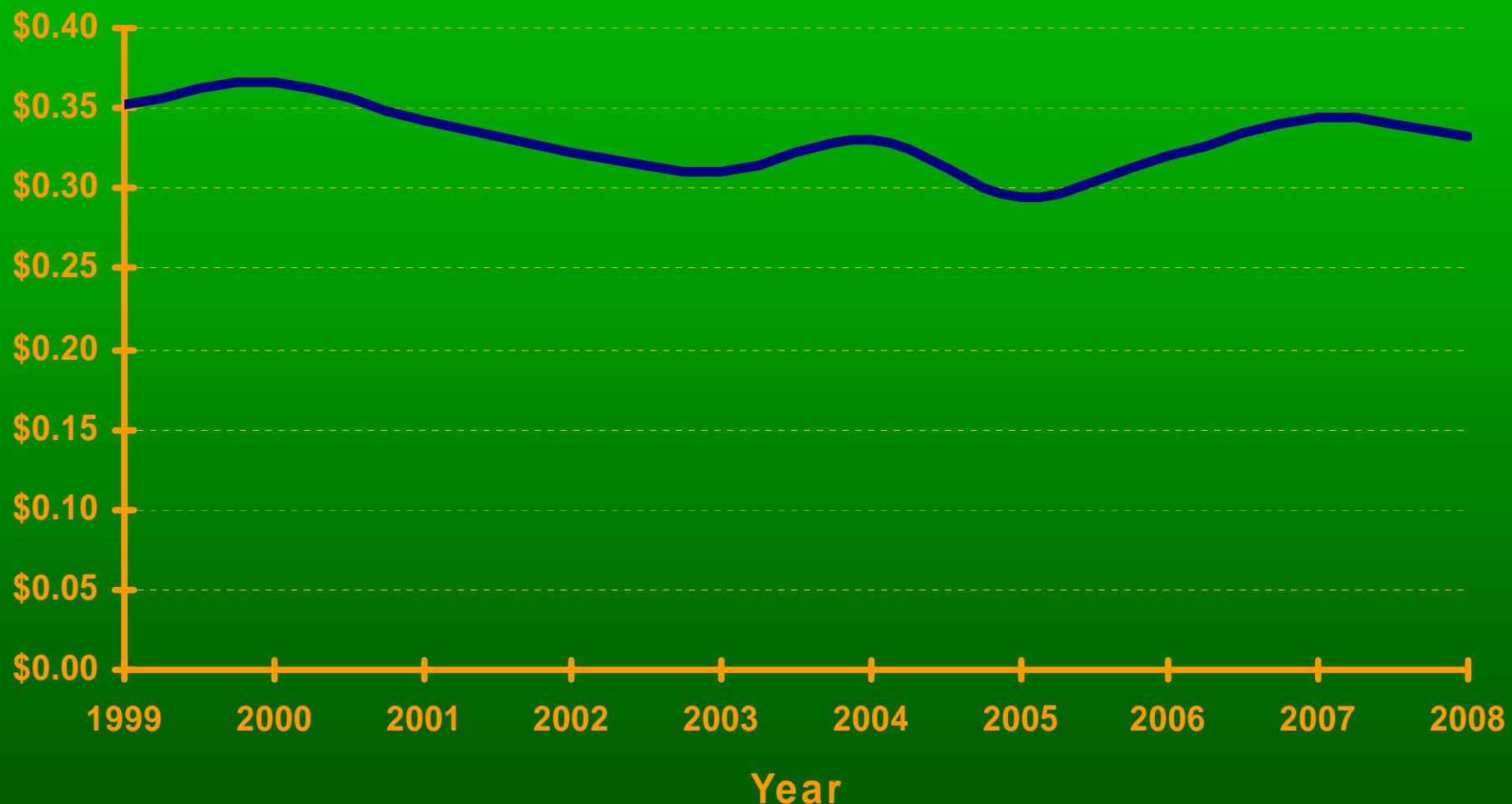
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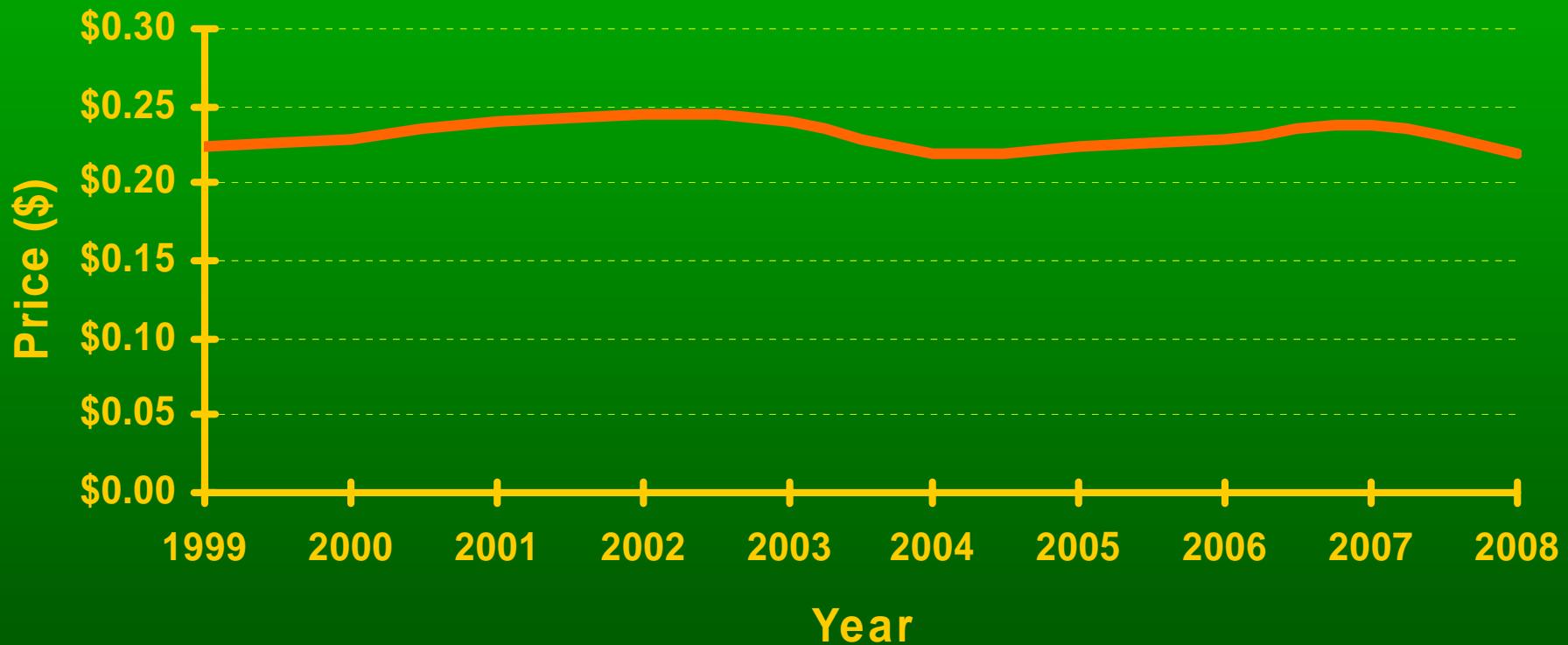
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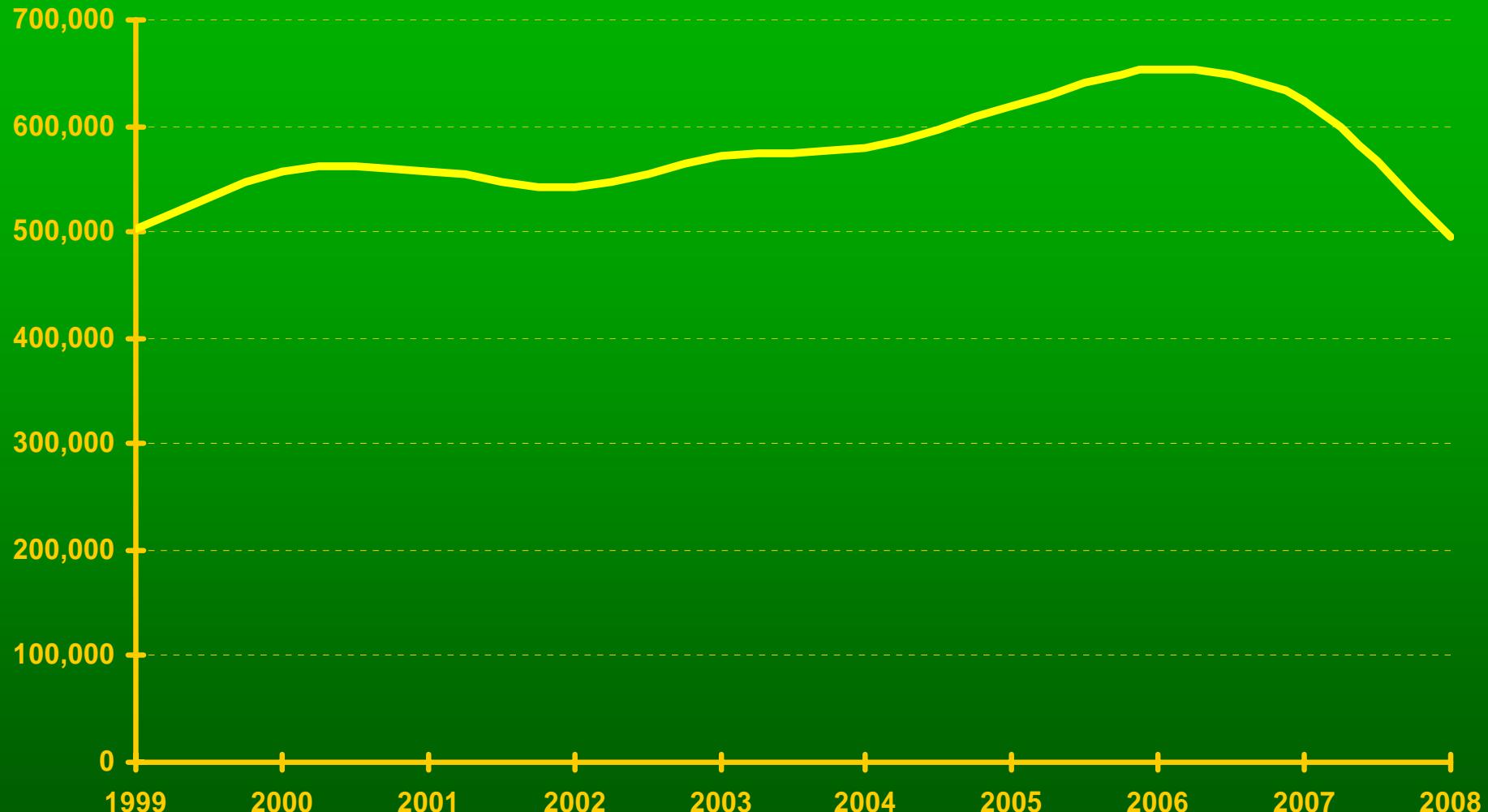


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  - nursery space demand
  - softwood lumber market

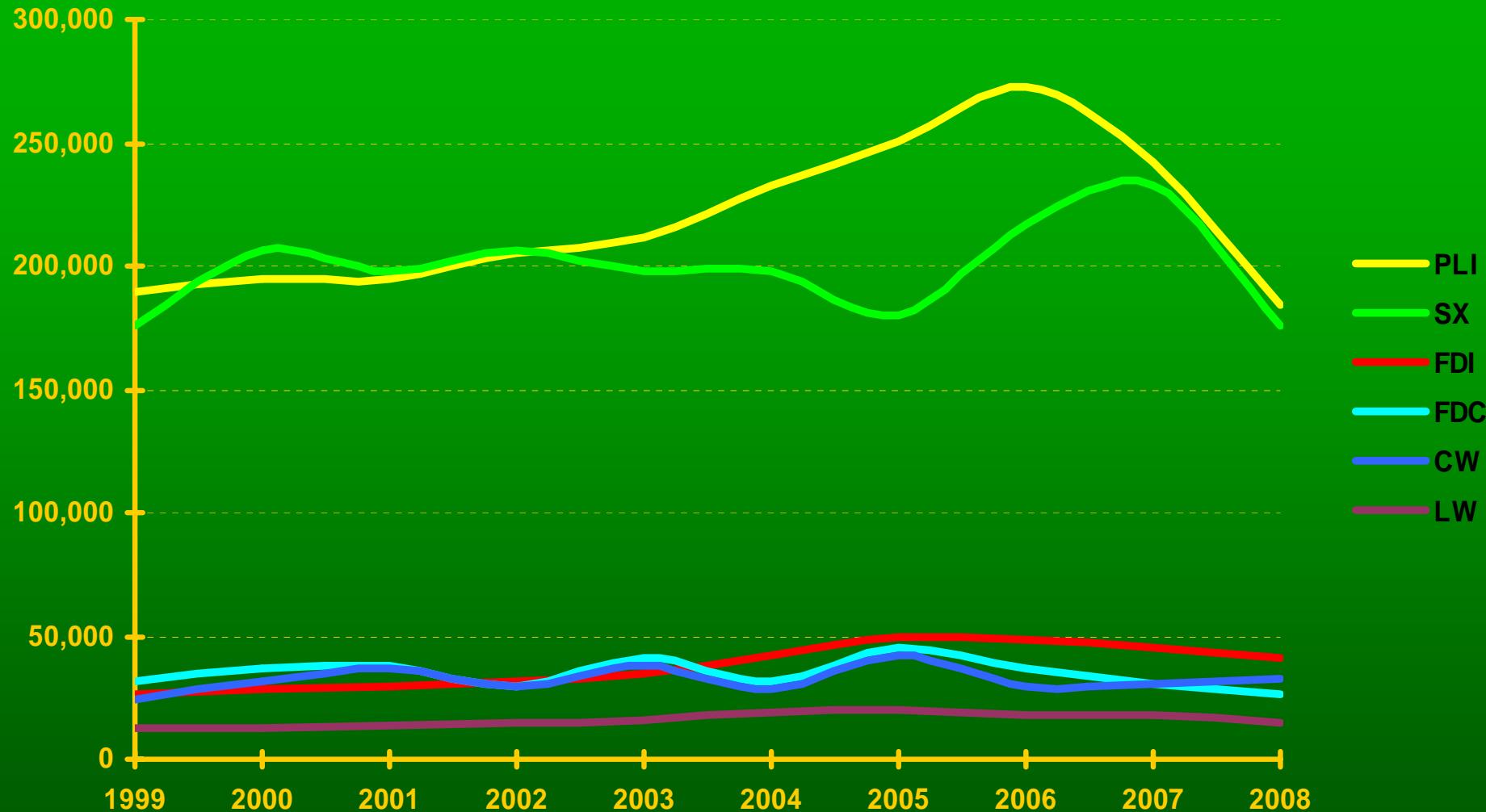


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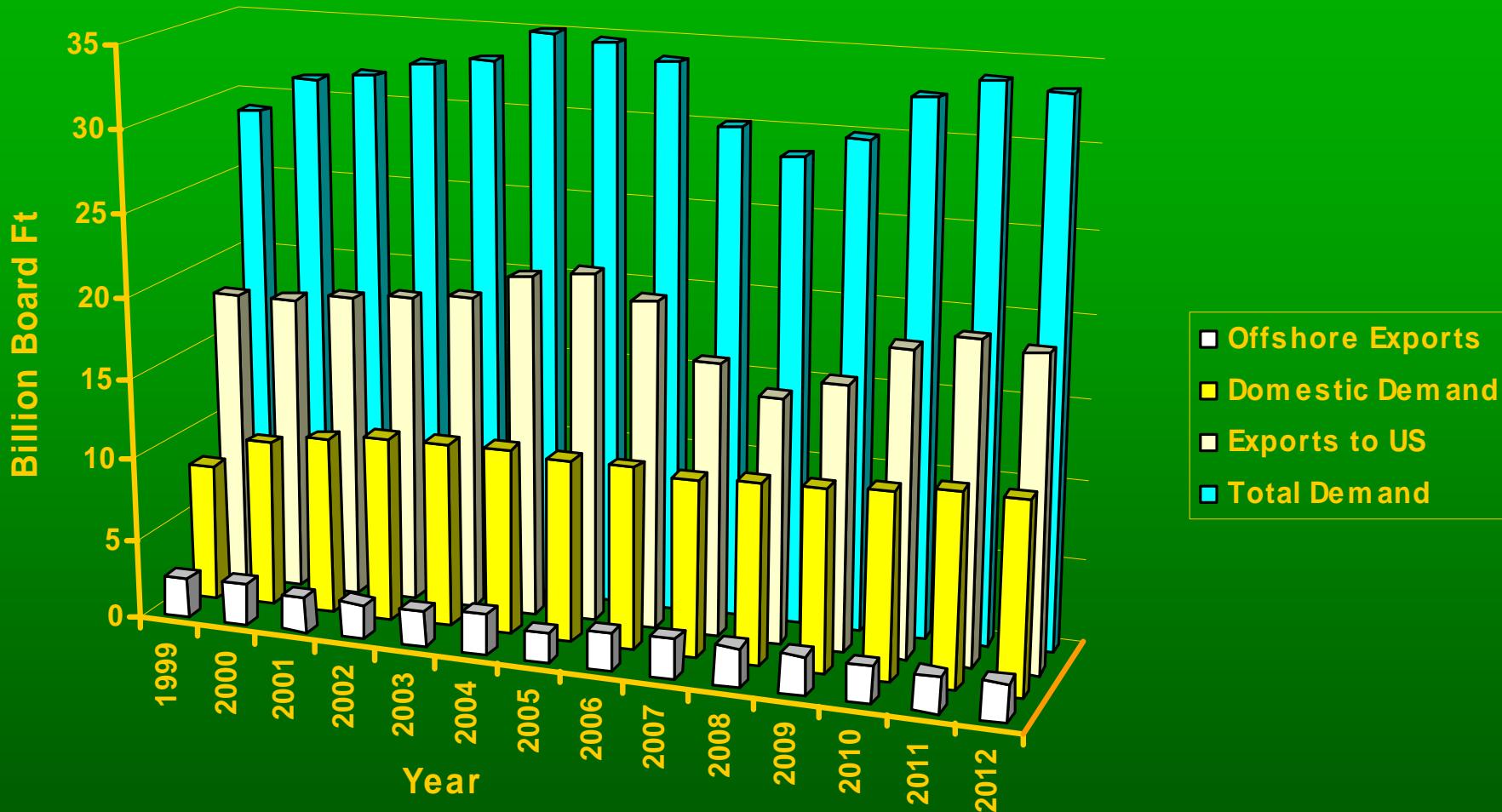
BC Timber Sales

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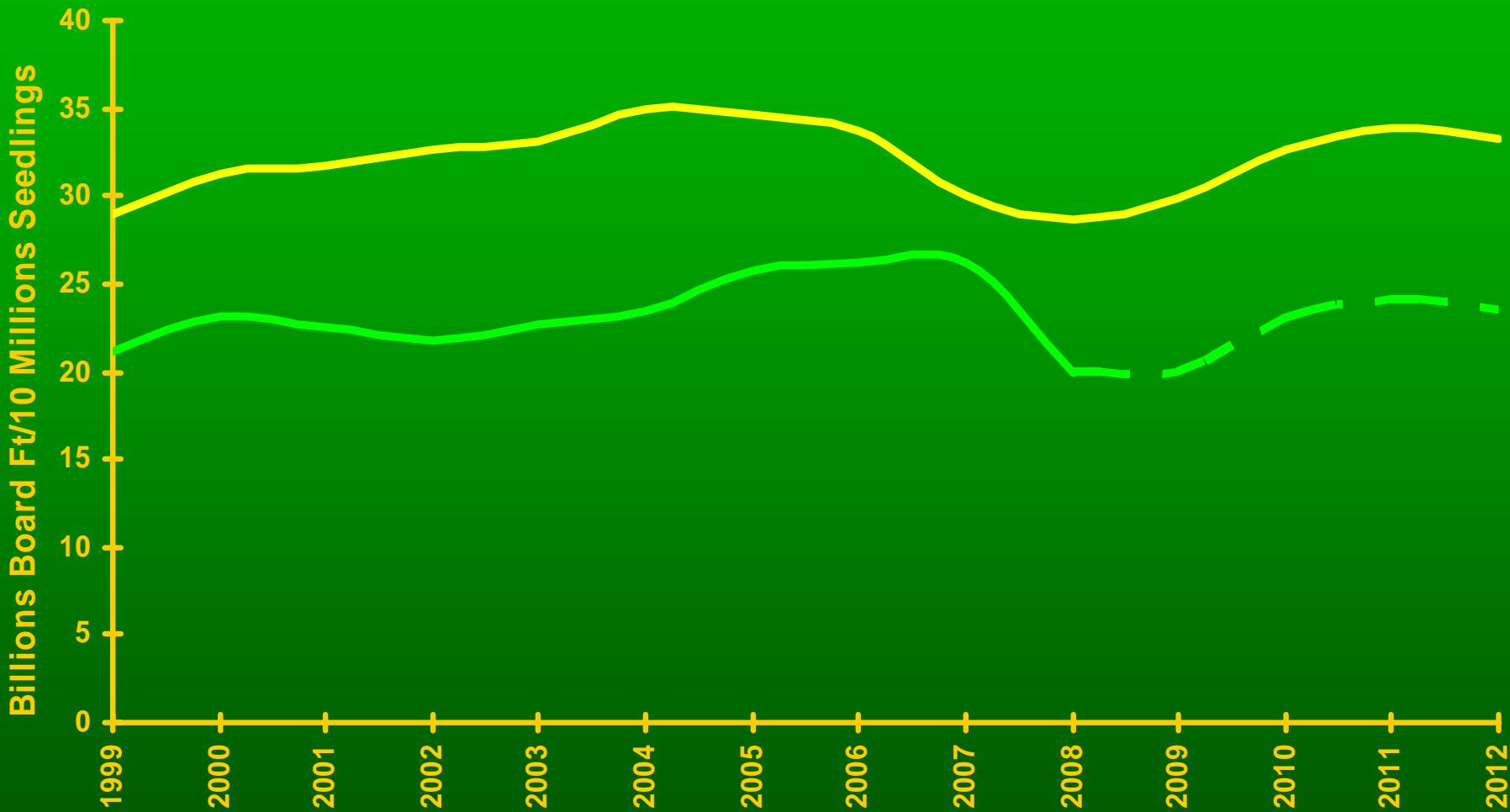


# Historical and Forecast Lumber Demand\*

\*RISI



# Softwood Lumber Demand & Seedlings Requested



# Seed Price Trends

- Source of Seed
  - Seed Orchard
  - Wild Stand Collection
- Seed per Seedling Price Trends
  - Major Species
- Portion of Total Seedling Cost
  - Major Species and Block Types



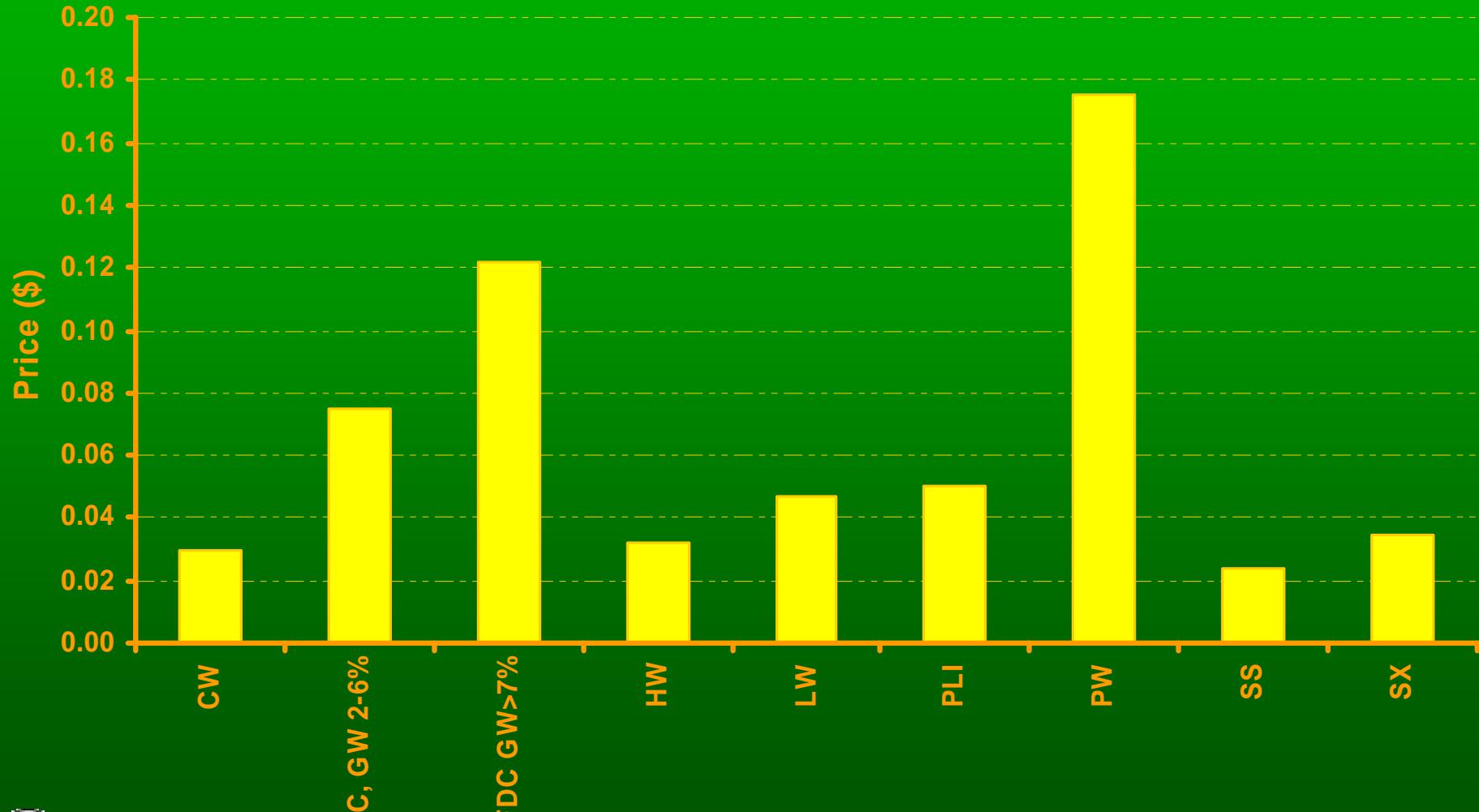
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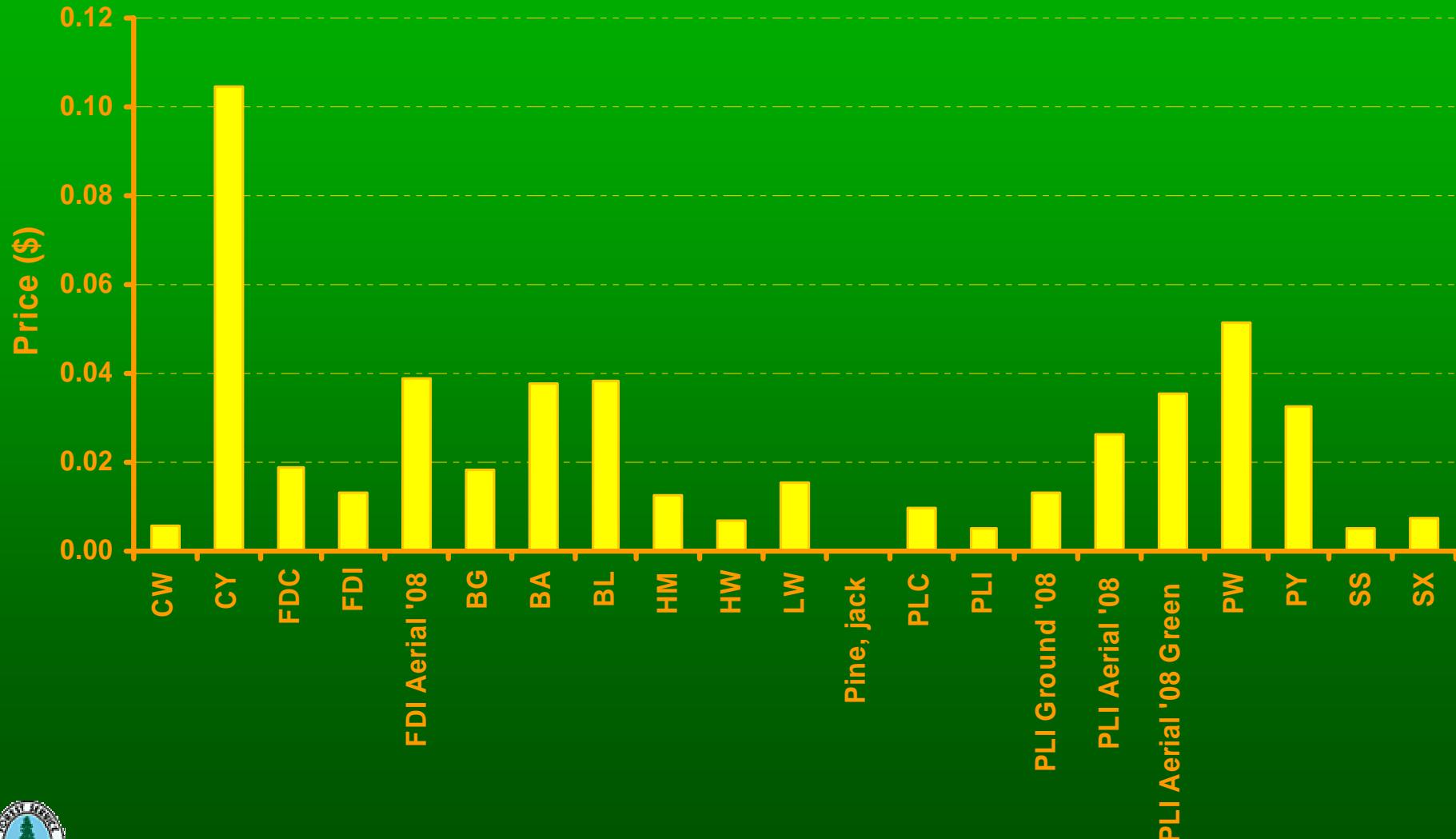
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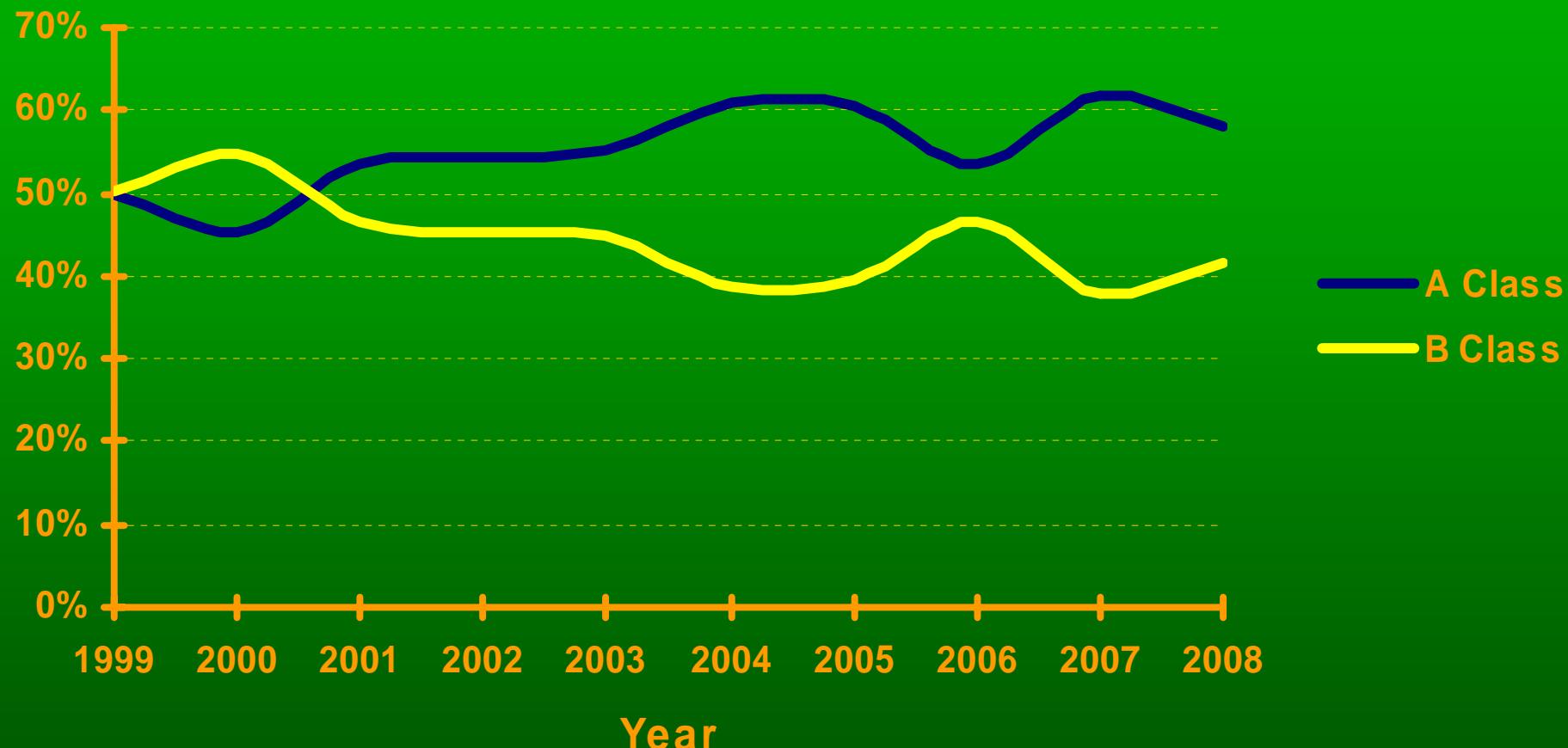
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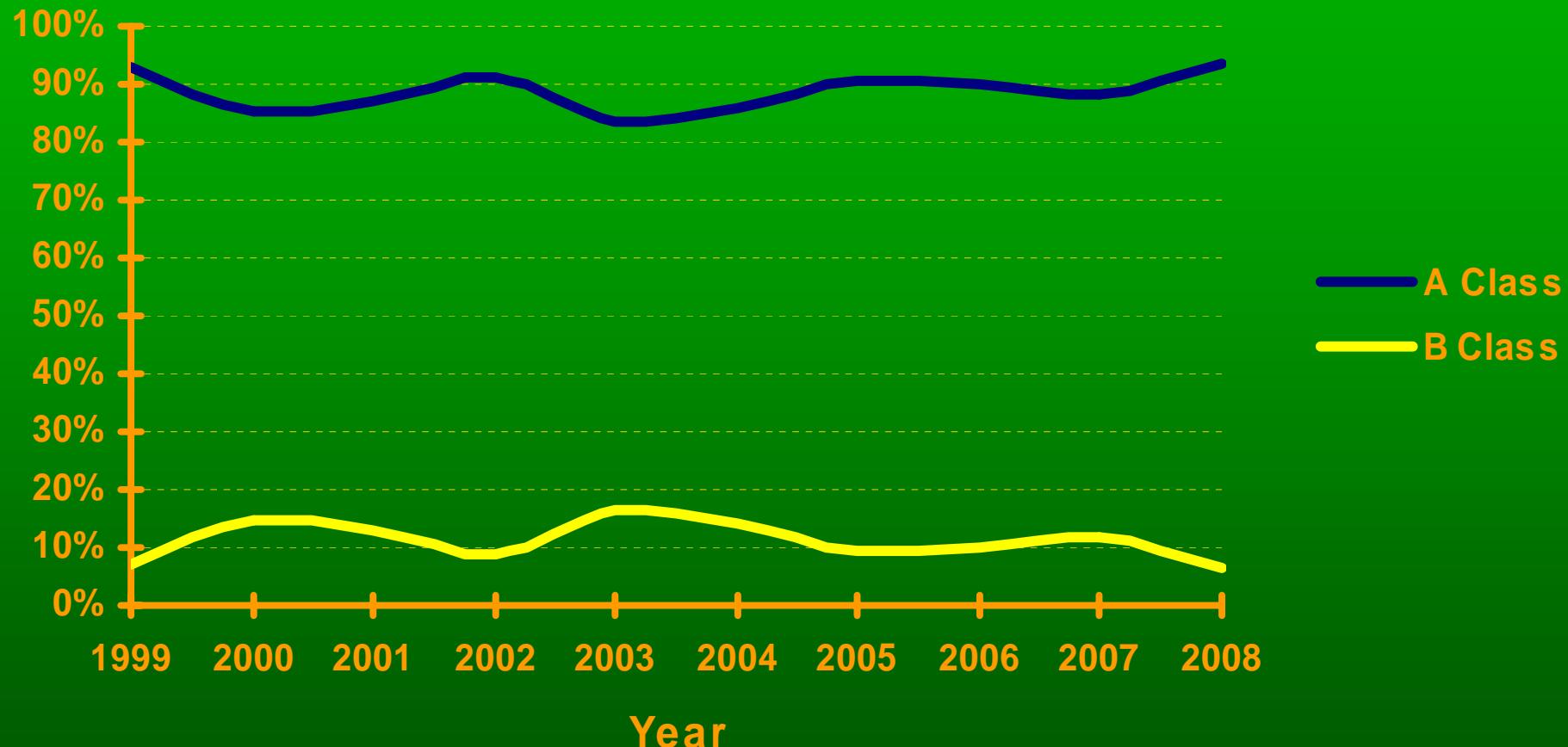
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## Coastal Douglas Fir- Seed Use by Genetic Class



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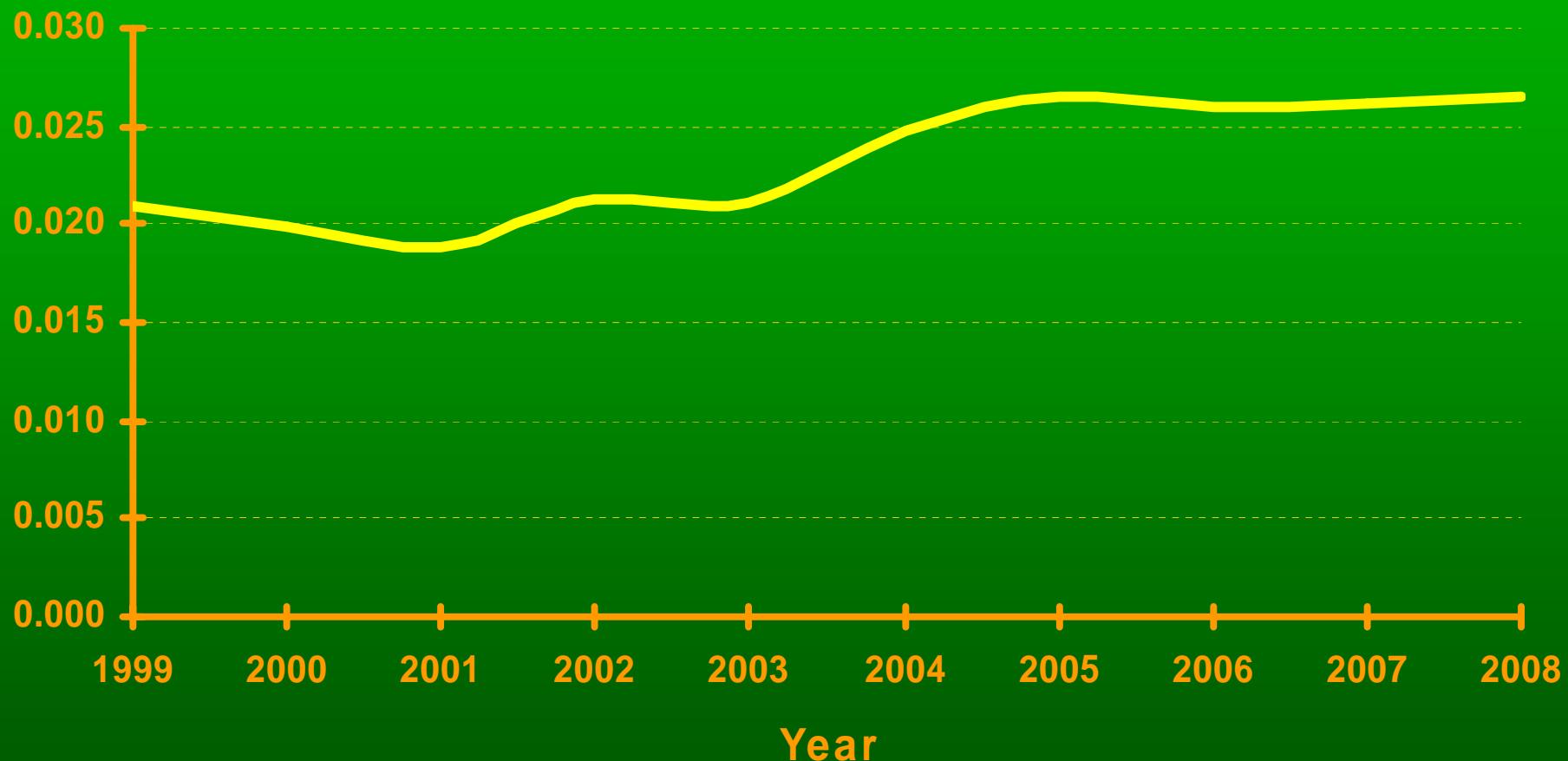
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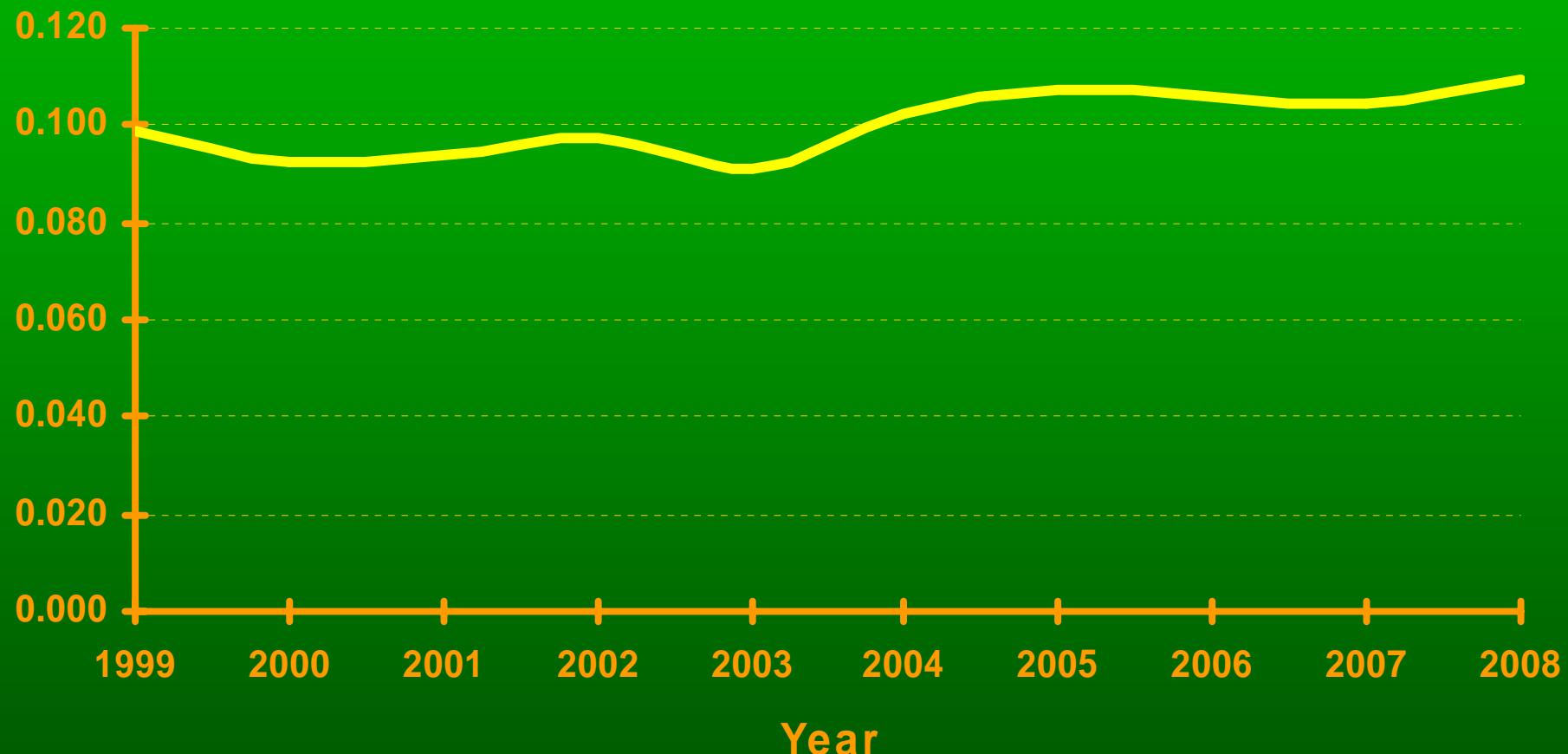
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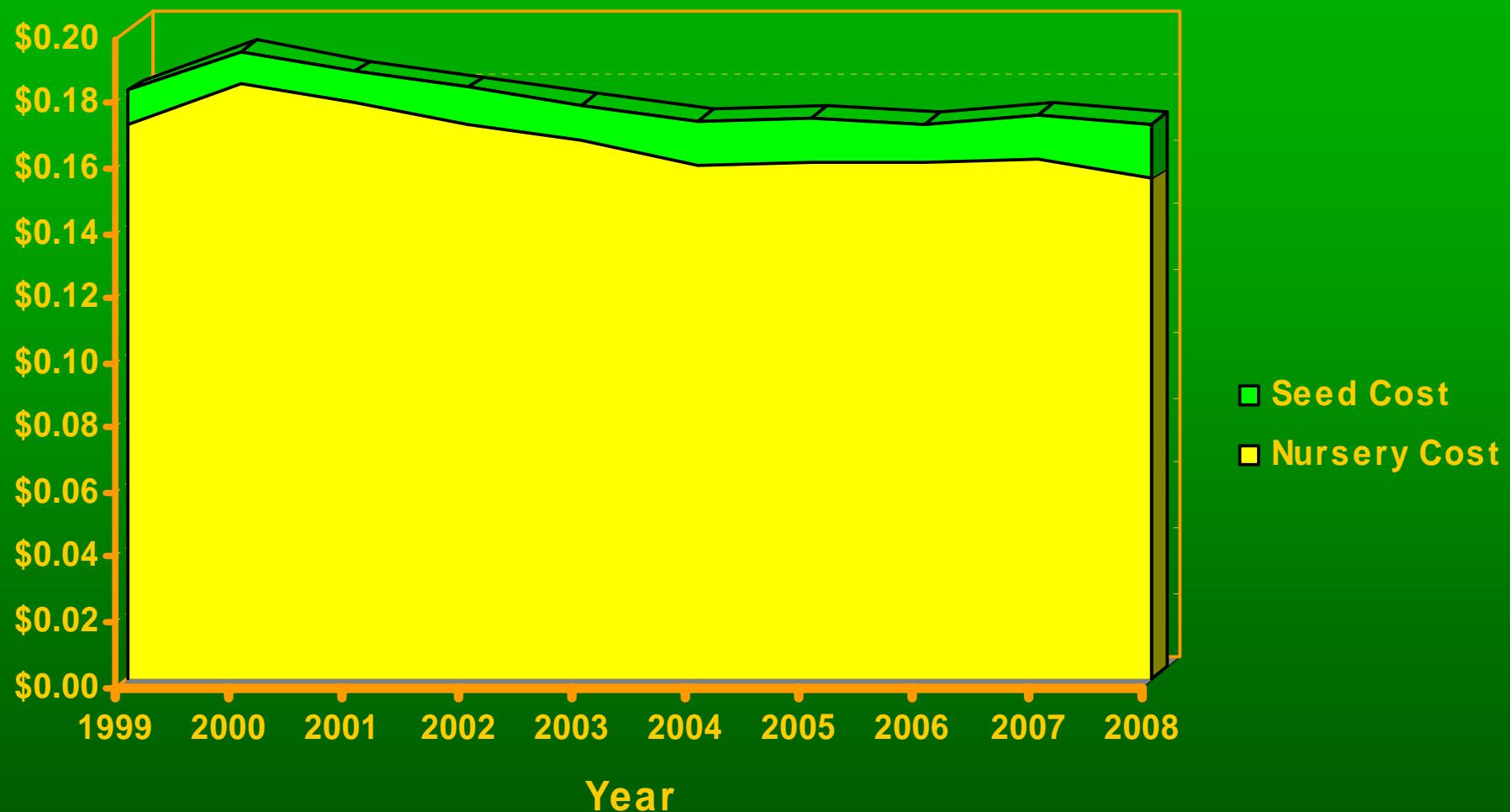


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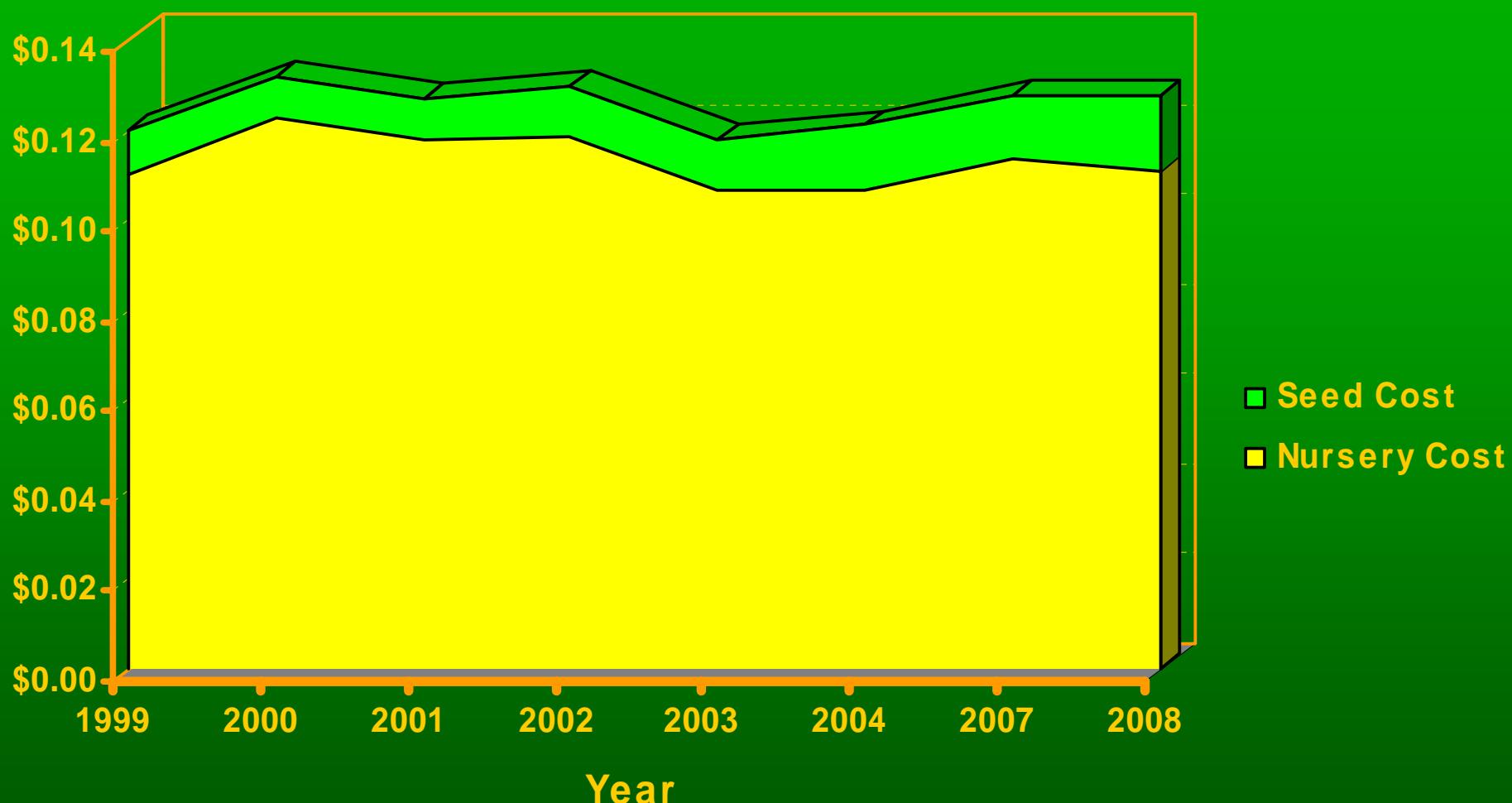
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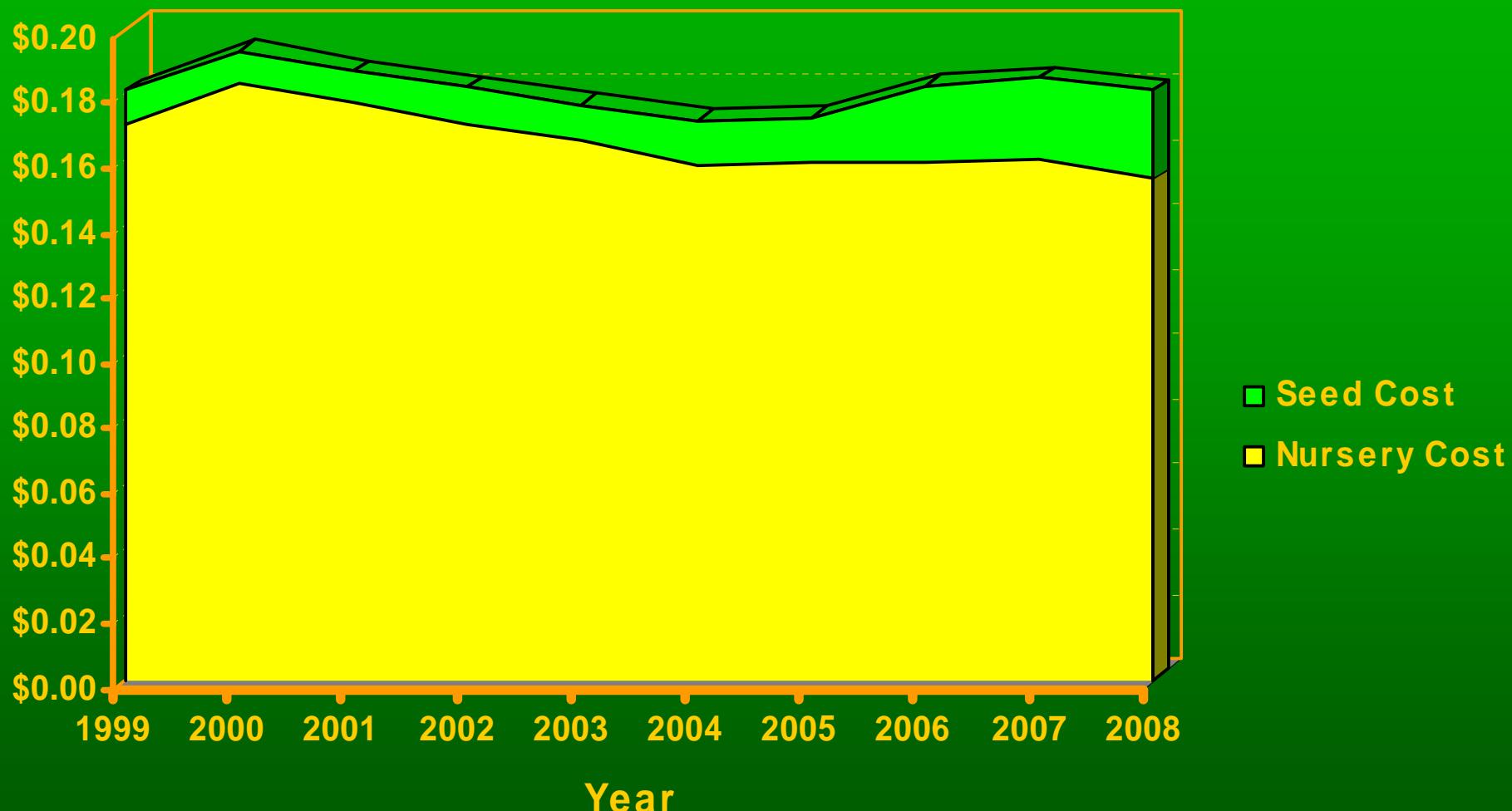
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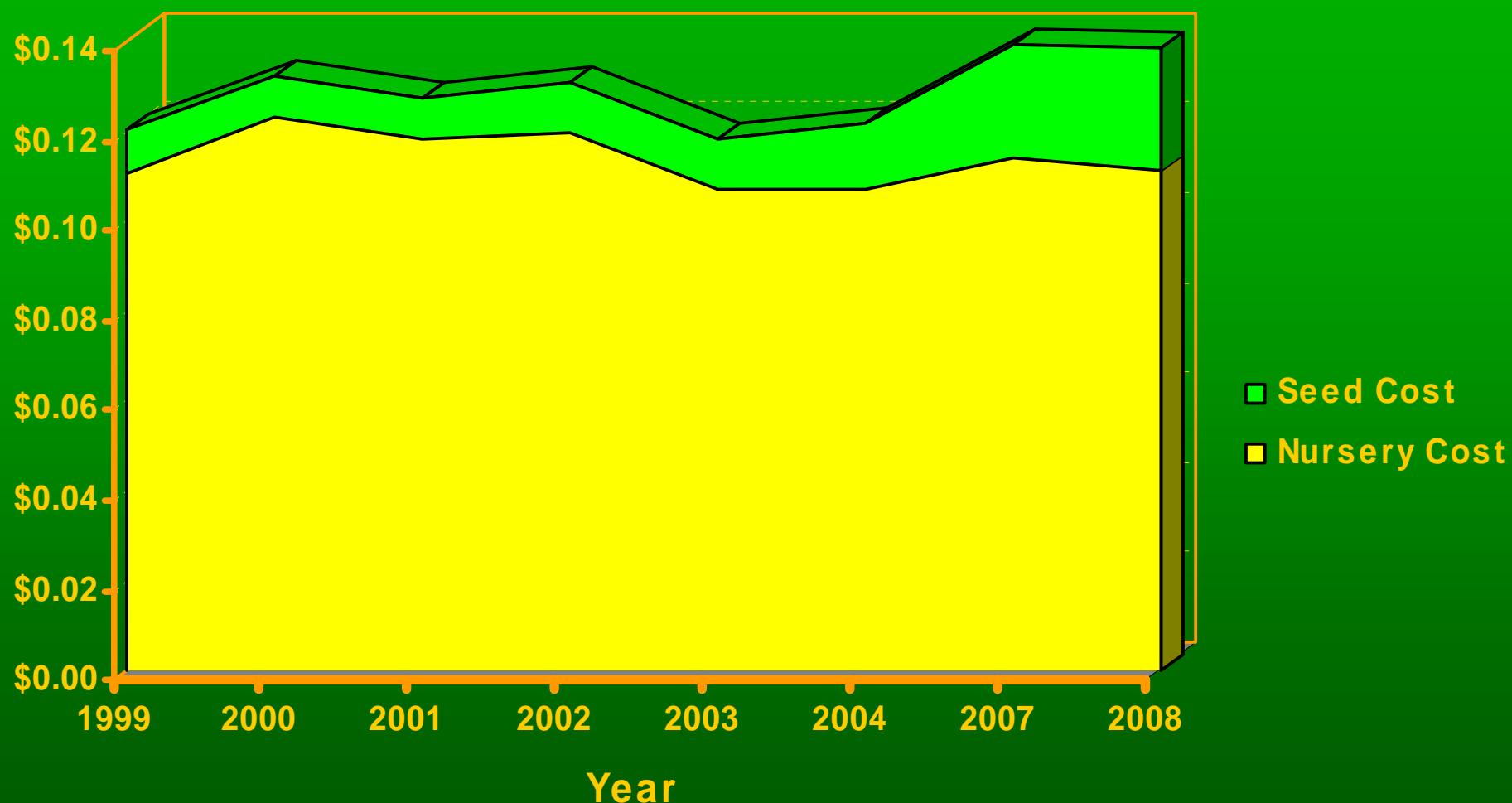
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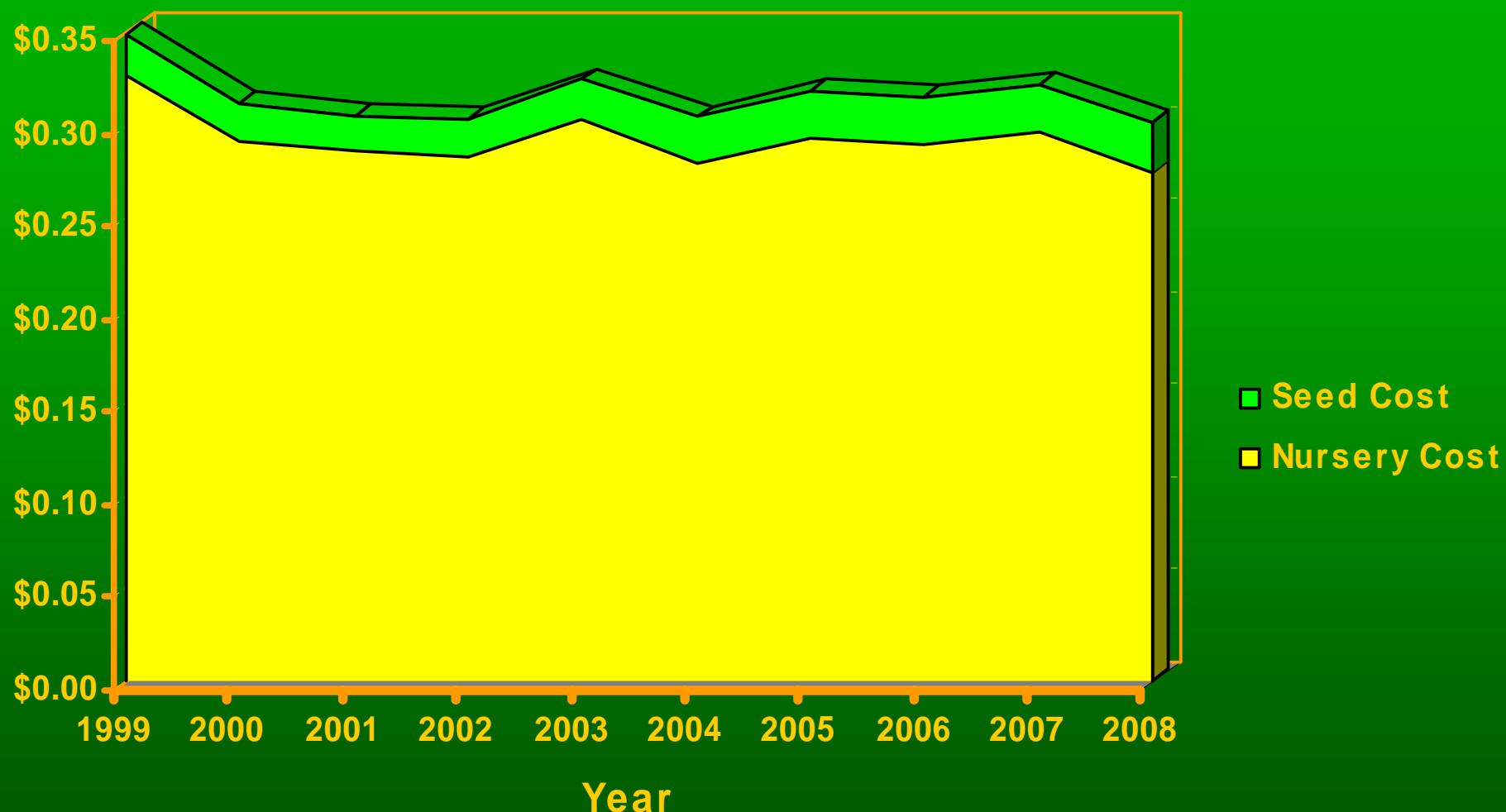
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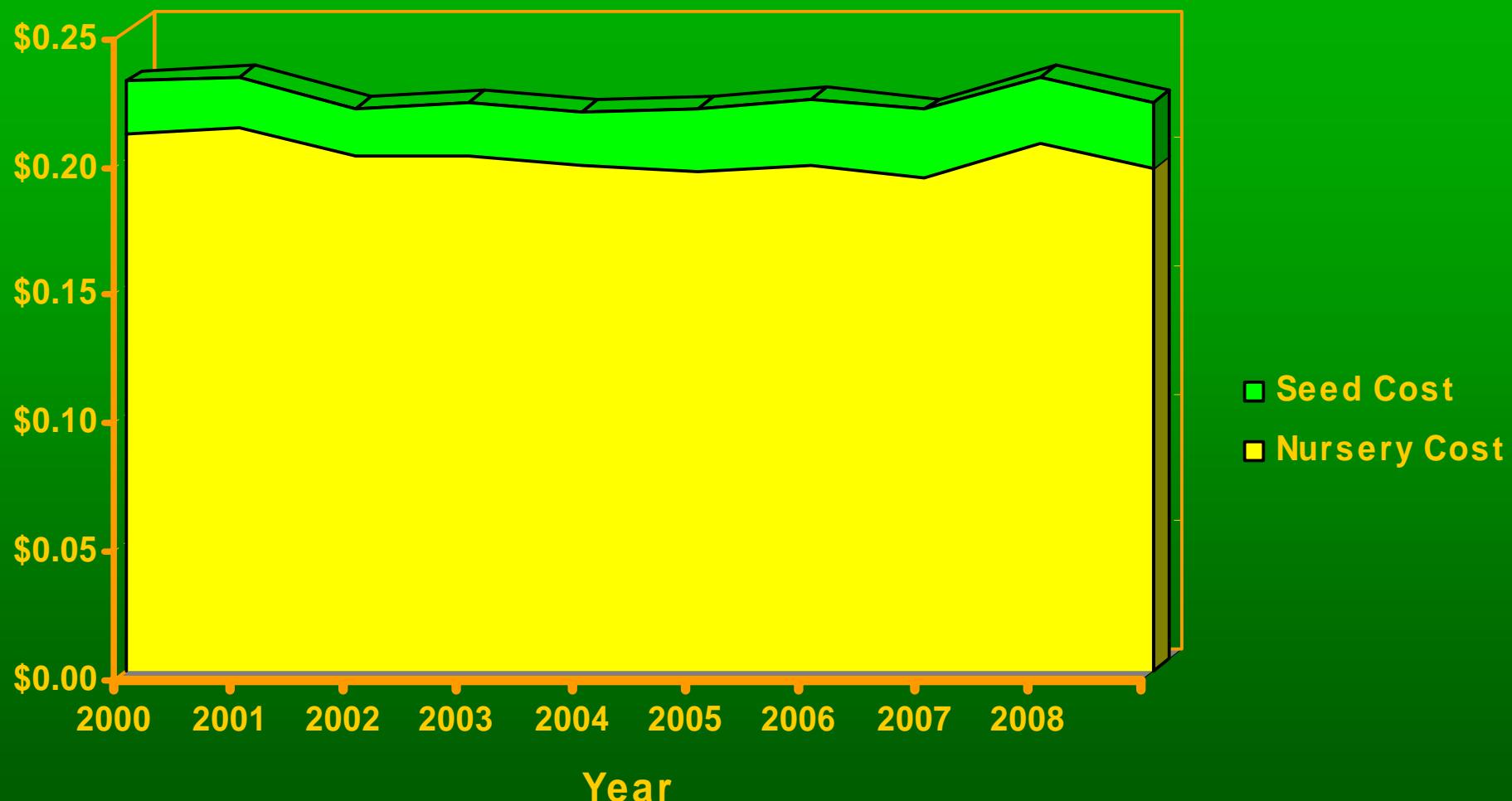
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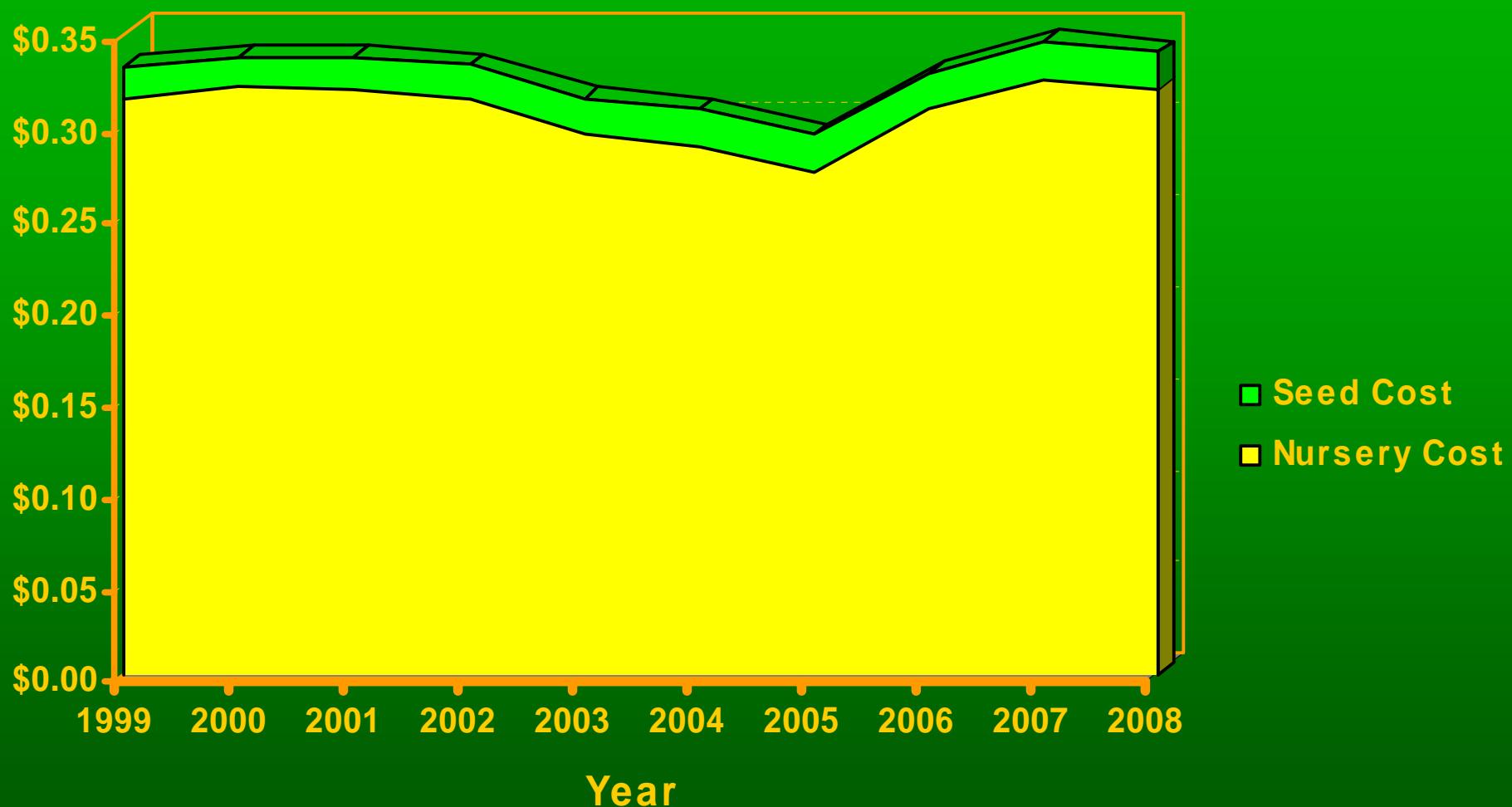
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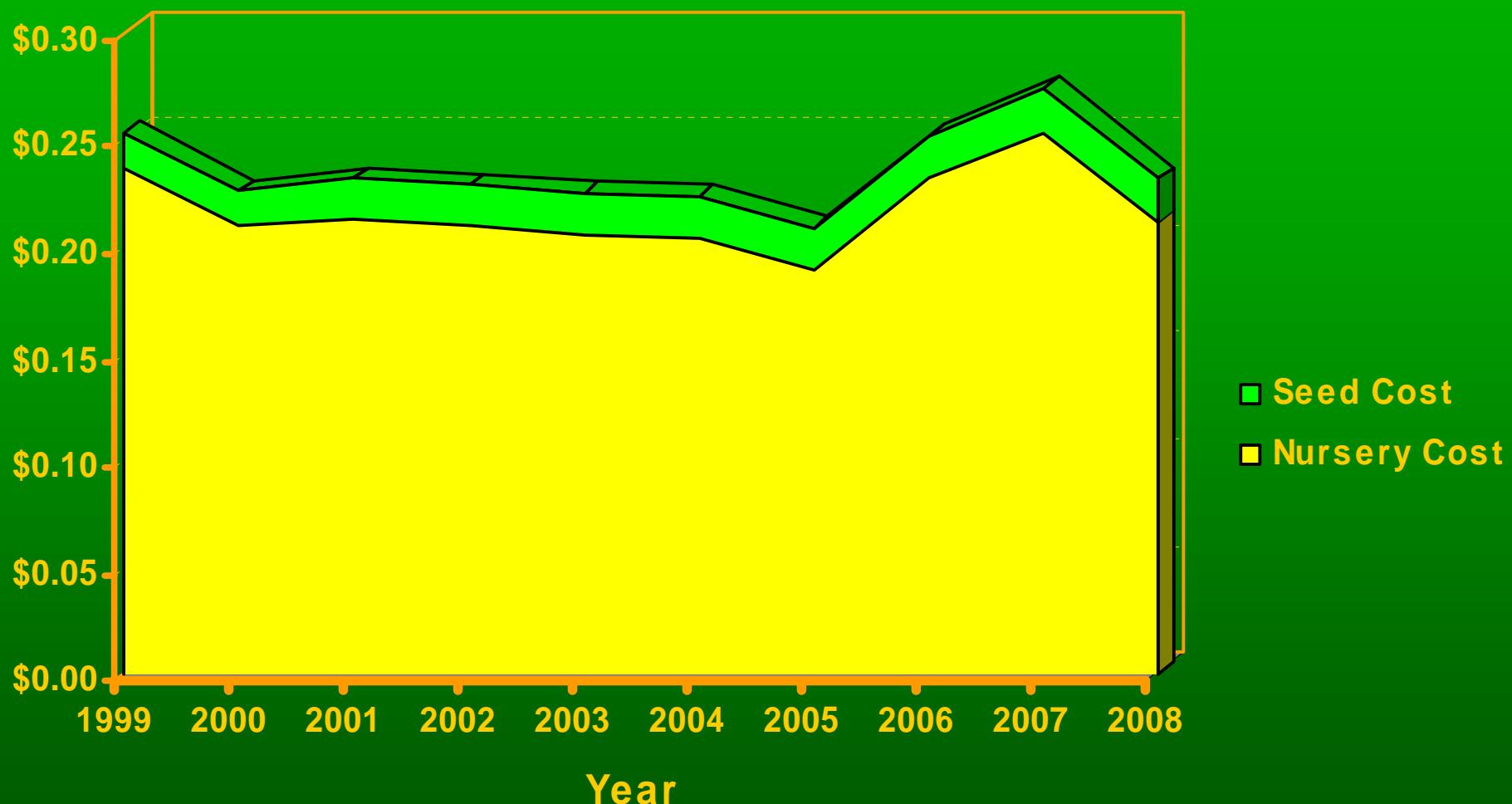
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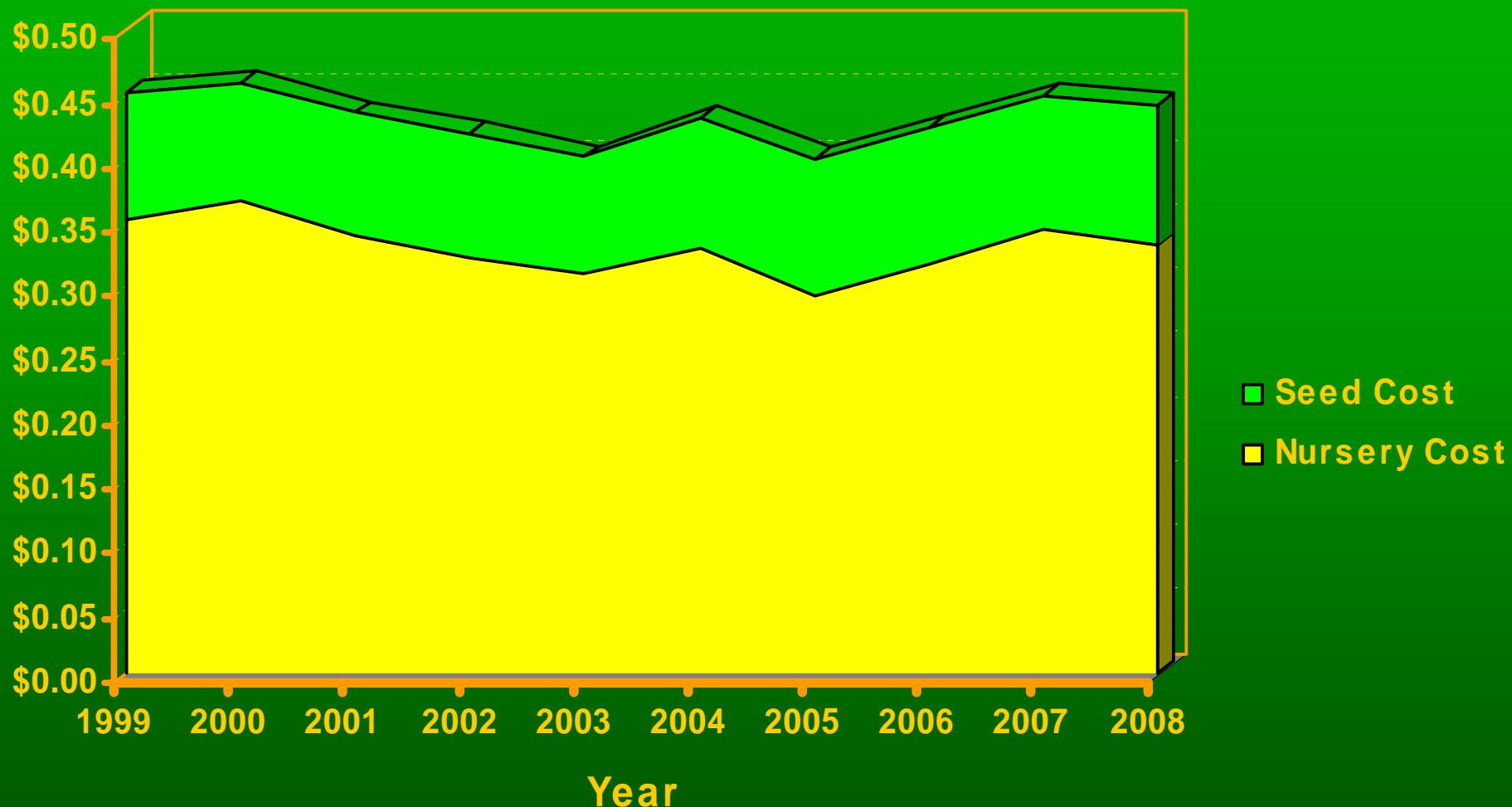
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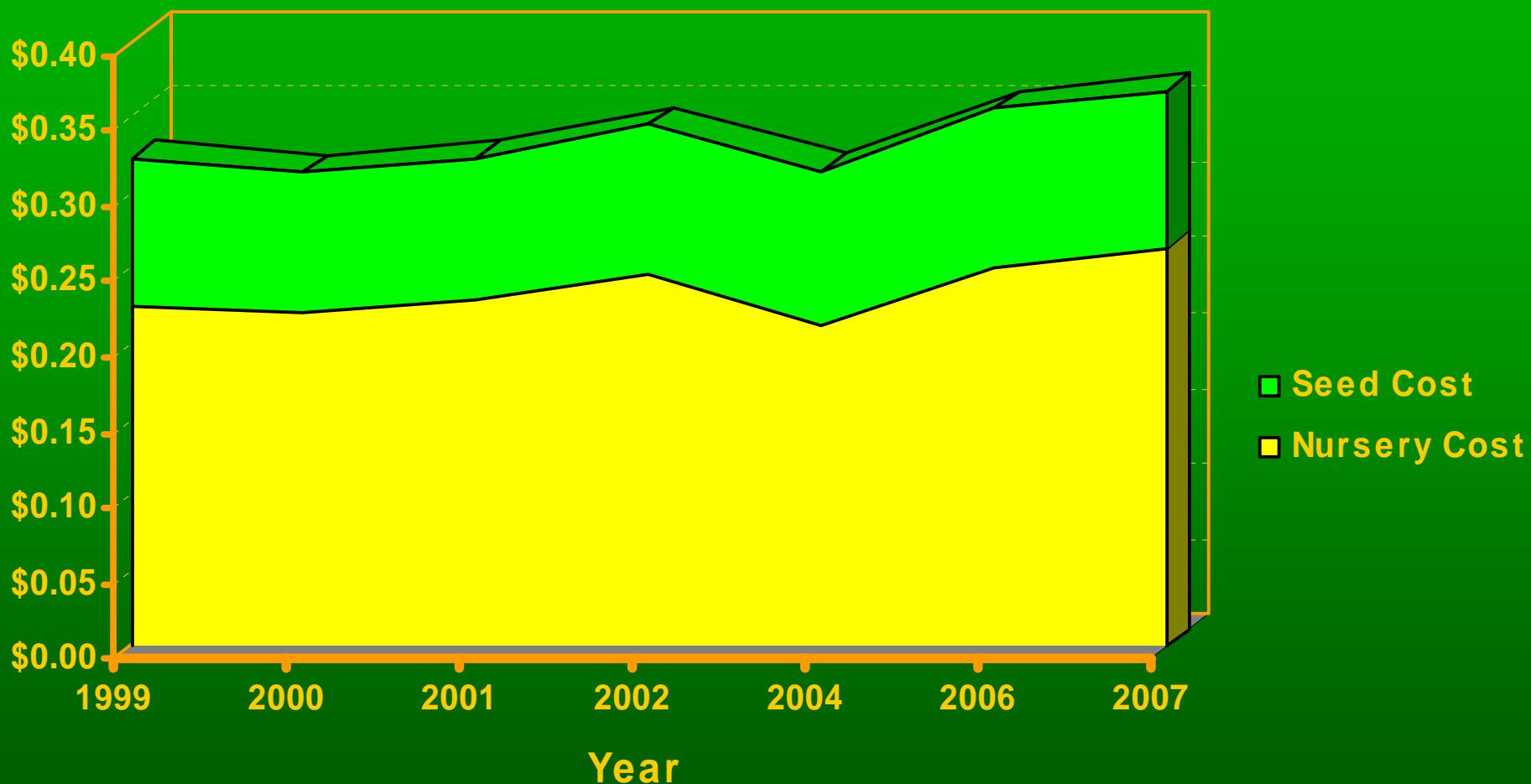
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# Summary

- Seedling costs are dictated by species and stock type which is determined by planting program needs
- Nursery costs are currently very stable in spite of inflation and are likely as low as possible
- Some seed (lodgepole pine, interior Douglas-fir) has additional value resulting from scarcity of supply
- Using seed effectively provides an opportunity to control seedling prices and extend scarce and valuable seed

