



# **2026 Iowa Renewable Fuels Summit**

**Renewable Fuels At Work**

**February 5, 2026**

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## 20 Year Anniversary

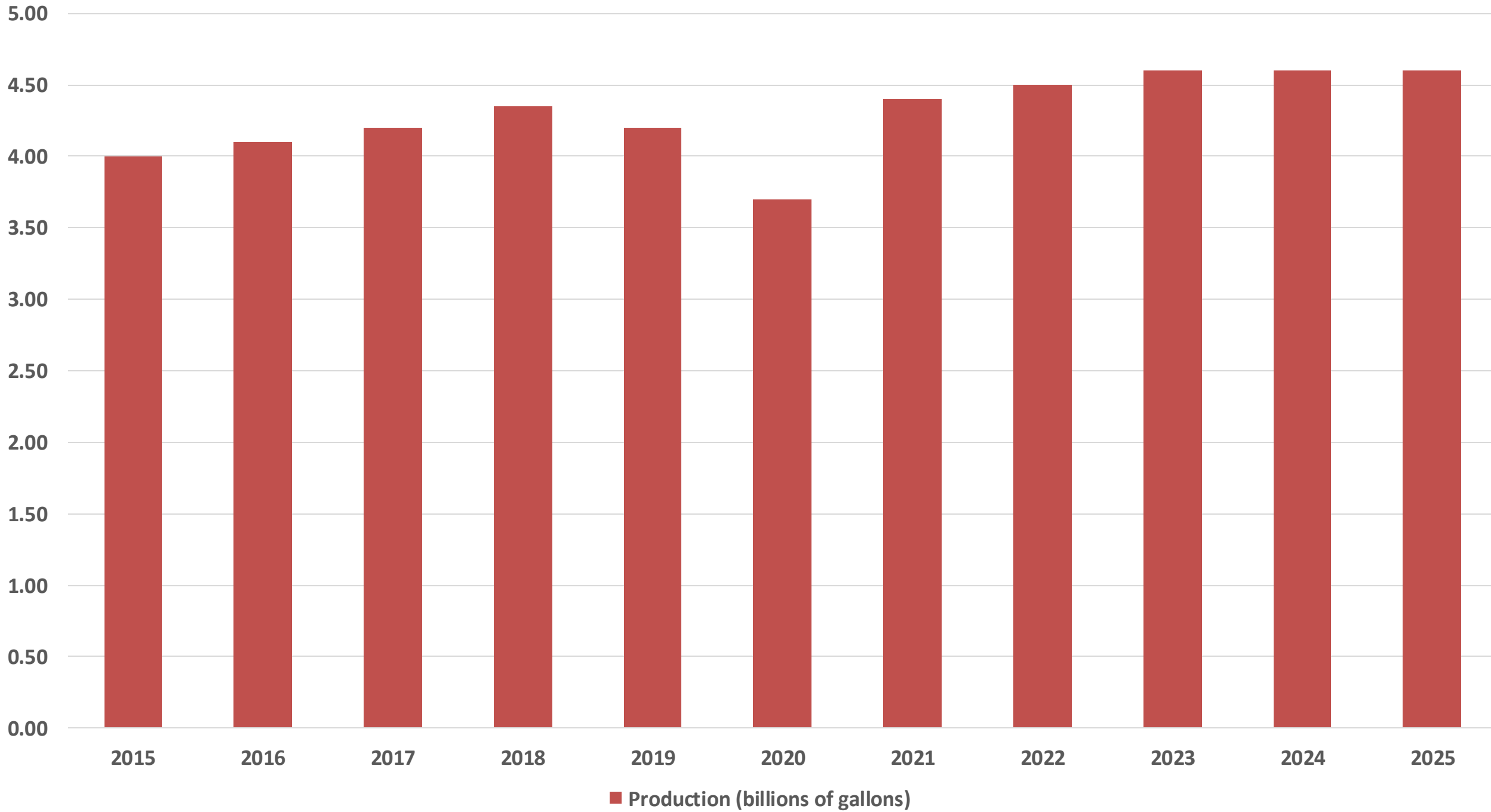


**Ari Fleischer**  
**Former White House**  
**Press Secretary**





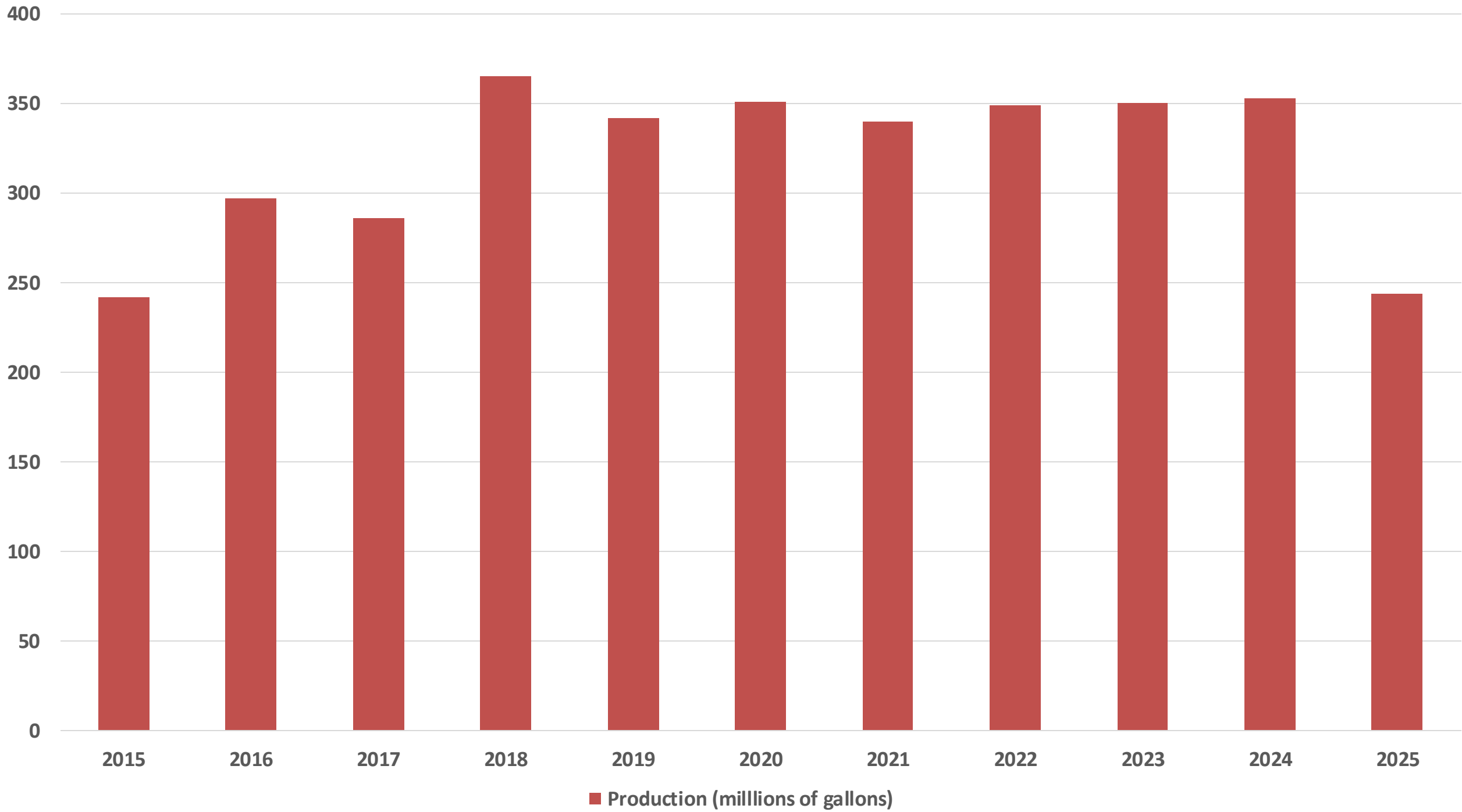
Iowa Ethanol Production



**Iowa Ethanol Production**



Iowa Biodiesel Production



**Iowa Biodiesel Production**



# Corn Yield United States

Bushels per Acre

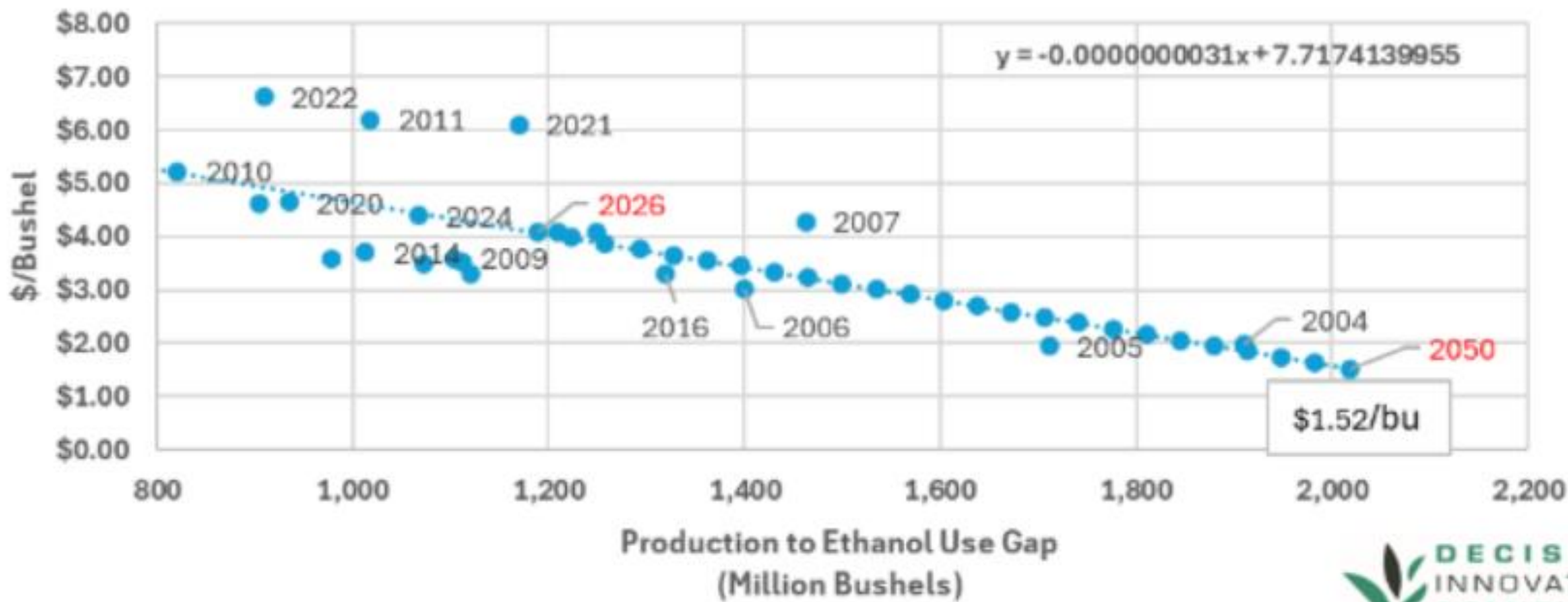


United States Department of Agriculture  
National Agricultural Statistics Service

January 12, 2026



Stocks-Ethanol Use Gap Projected to 2050



**Stocks-Ethanol Use Gap**

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**Farm Program Costs Exploding**



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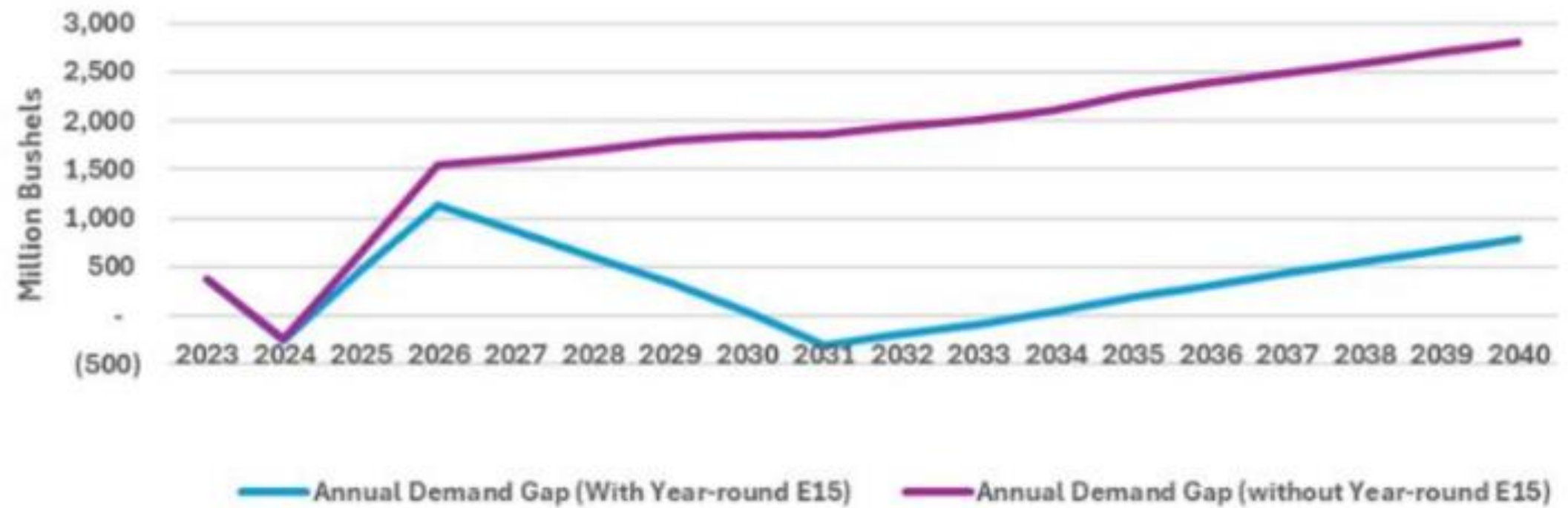
# The Demand Gap for Corn: Actions Needed to Address It Now

January 2026





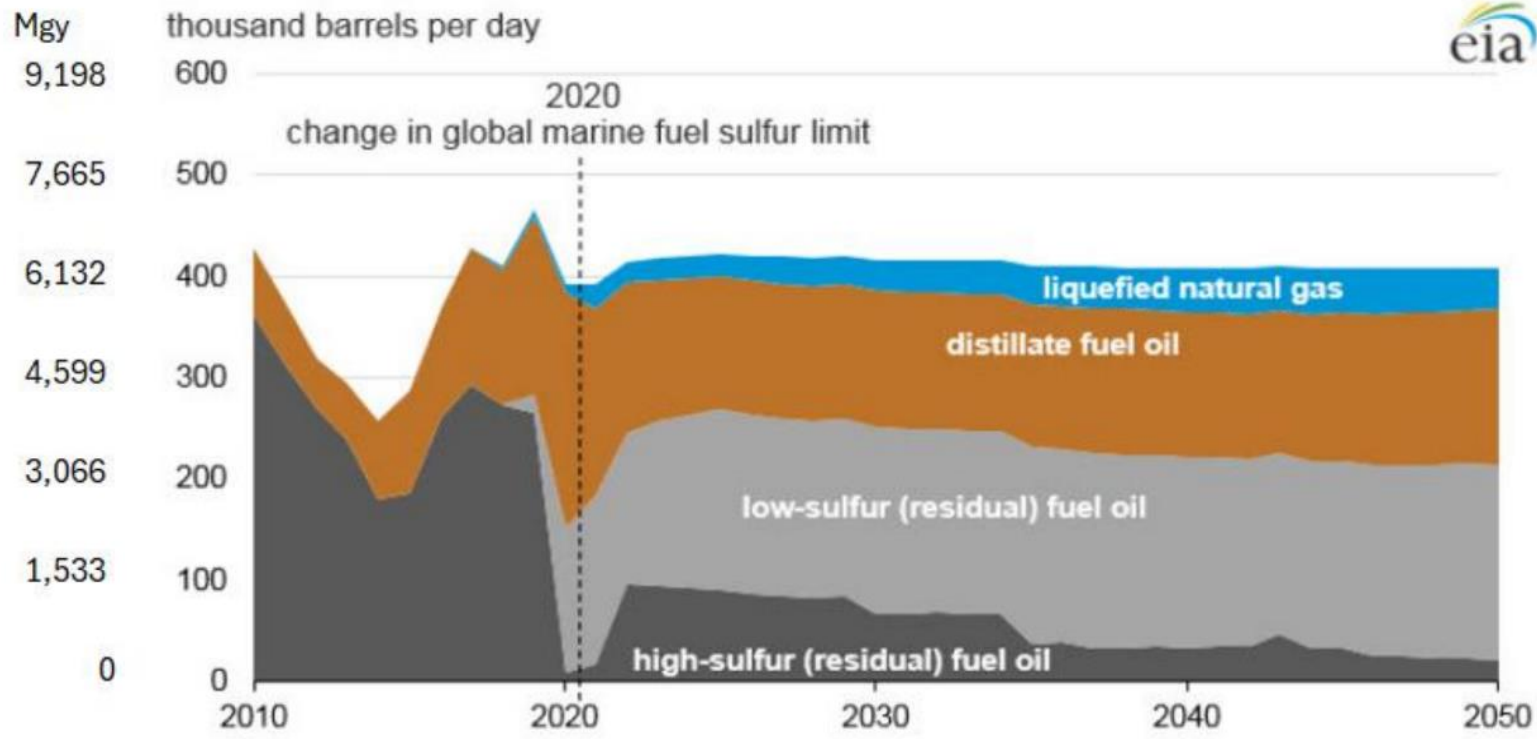
Annual Demand Gap for Corn  
(With and Without Year-Round E15)



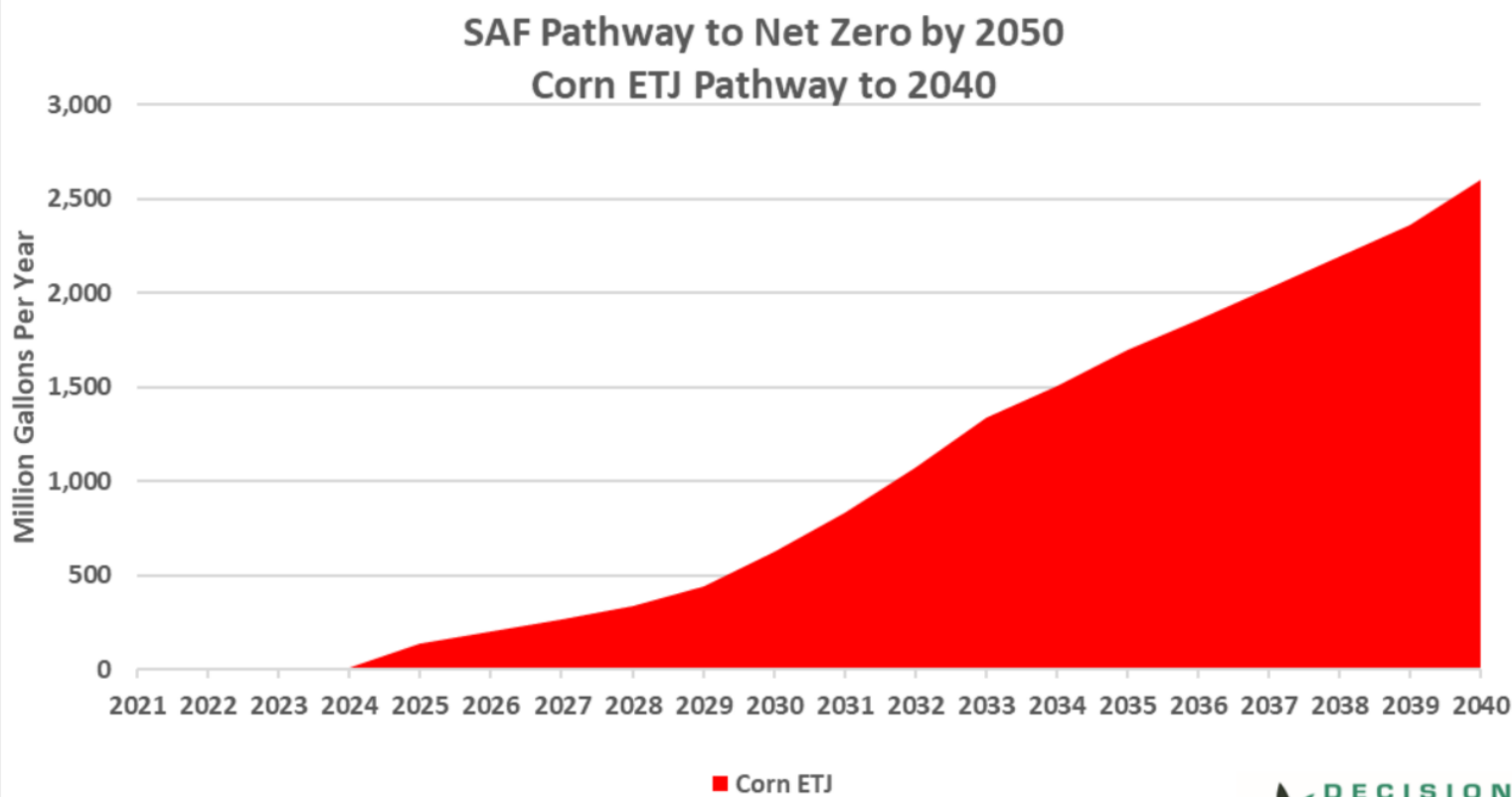
Source: USDA & DIS Calculations  
Acreage at 2025 level



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Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, AEO2019 Reference case



Source: DIS Estimates



## Marine & SAF Market Development



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# BUILDING NEW MARKETS:

**creating opportunities for renewable fuels**



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# TOOLS OF THE TRADE:

**technologies that boost positive environmental impact for biofuels**



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Wheatland, LLC



**JOE GRIFFIN**  
CEO,  
Summit Carbon  
Solutions



**DAVID MILLER**  
Chief Economist,  
Decision Innovation  
Solutions



**MITCHELL HORA**  
Founder & CEO,  
Continuum Ag

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# ASSEMBLING THE POLICY FRAMEWORK:

**the national policy changes that  
may impact critical biofuels issues**



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Chief Economist,  
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Soybean  
Association



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Advanced Biofuel  
Refiners



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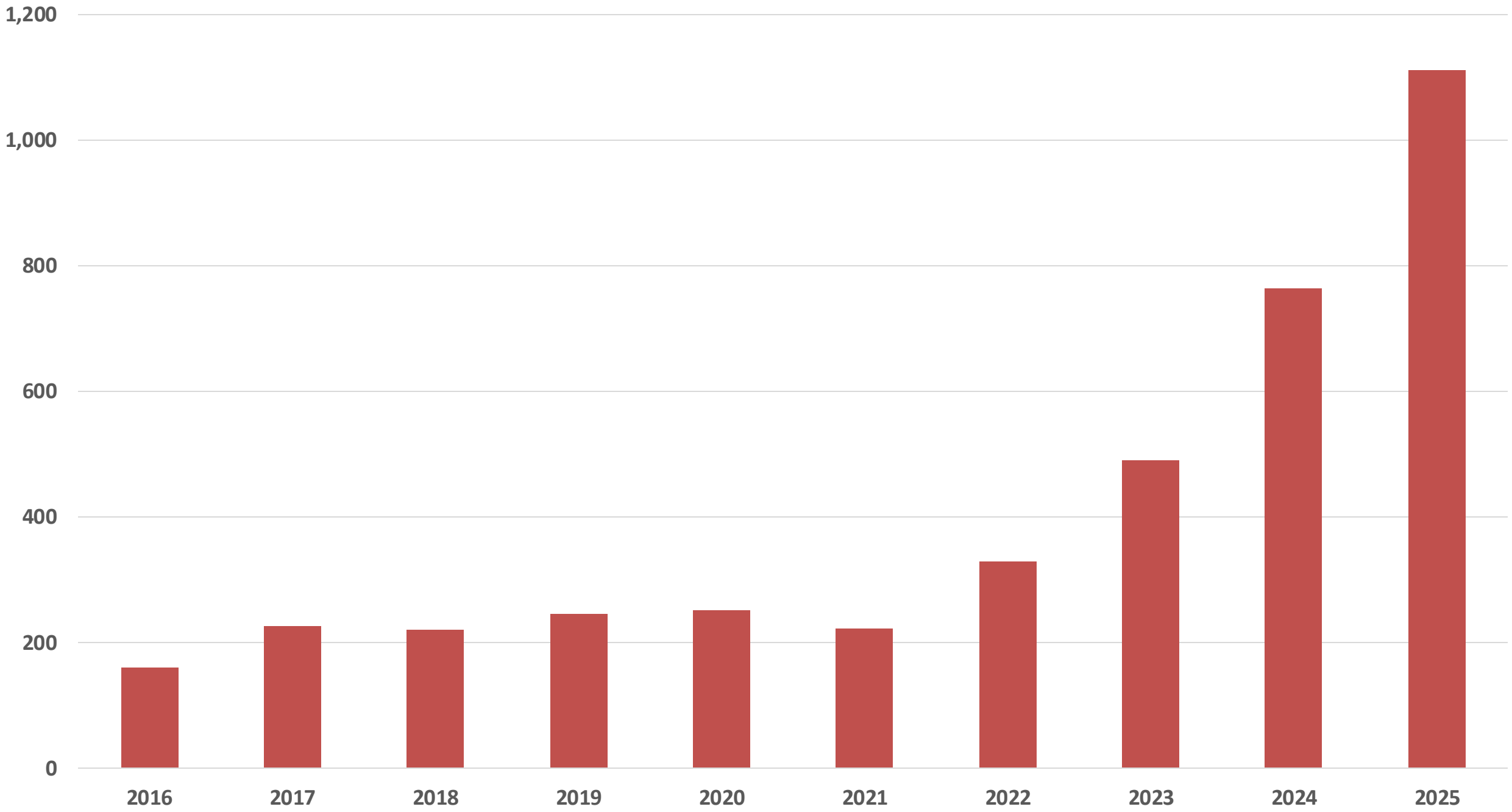


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Renewable Fuels  
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Iowa E15 Stations

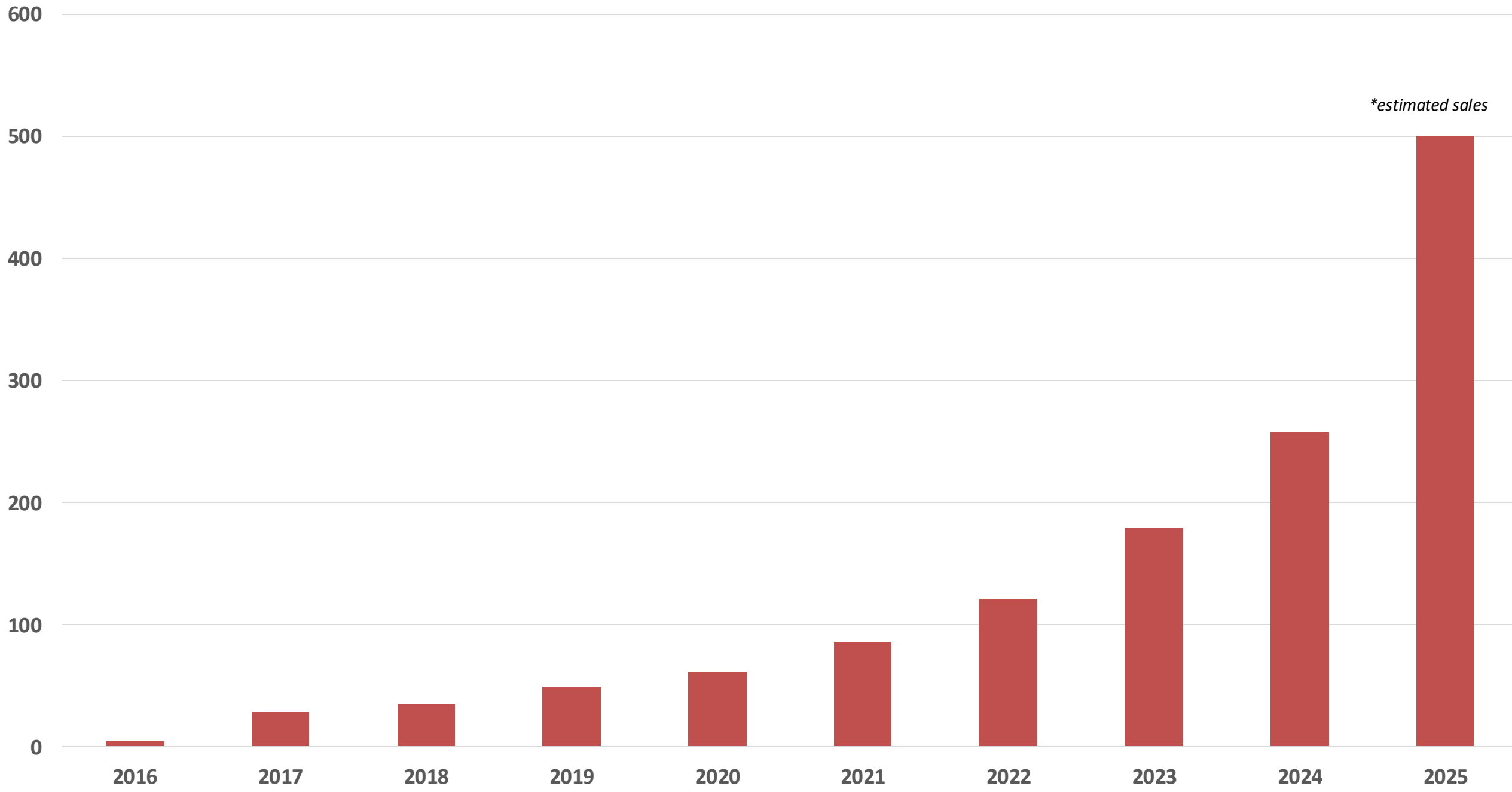


Source: IDALS data

# Iowa E15 Stations



Iowa E15 Sales



*\*estimated sales*

■ Sales \$ (in millions)

*Source: IDALS data*

## Iowa E15 Station Sales

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January 27, 2026

President Donald J. Trump  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Washington, D.C. 20500



Dear President Trump:

As corn farmers and ethanol industry leaders, we would like to sincerely welcome you back to the State of Iowa. We appreciate the opportunity to discuss the urgent challenge facing rural economies — we must grow demand for renewable fuels and agricultural commodities. While emergency farm aid is a necessary requirement of the current situation, farmers want the long-term solution provided by growing markets.

Most notably, Congress has appointed a [task force](#), co-chaired by Iowa’s Rep. Randy Feenstra, to consider the critical need for nationwide, year-round E15 with a vote scheduled for the end of February. Without permanent access to this market, the long-term viability of our state’s largest economic driver is at serious risk. **Today, we are asking for your help to finally push E15 access through Congress.**

America’s corn farmers are struggling and being forced to often sell corn well [below the cost of production](#). When our corn farmers struggle, our ethanol plants struggle, our [ag sector](#) struggles and the entire Iowa economy struggles. In fact, the [Philadelphia Federal Reserve Bank](#) just listed Iowa as 50<sup>th</sup> in terms of economic growth – dead last.

We are at a breaking point. Without immediate policy intervention to create new demand, we are looking at an avoidable decline in Iowa’s rural economy. The most effective, zero-cost solution is the immediate authorization of nationwide, year-round E15. Removing the outdated regulatory hurdle for E15 is exactly the type of government efficiency you’ve worked for. This change would allow retailers to offer lower-cost E15 to customers. No one is required to sell it, nor is there any taxpayer money involved.

With you at our side, we have advocated, negotiated, and fought for E15 for a decade. The is nothing left to do but pass E15 legislation into law.

The Iowa Congressional Delegation have been loud and steady E15 supporters and for that we are extremely grateful. However, it is clear we need your help to get this across the finish line.

next month.  
to strengthen  
We look forward to  
you to move this

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# Open Letter to President Trump

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# MR. PRESIDENT

IN IOWA, THE INTERSECTION OF  
**ECONOMY** AND **ENERGY** OCCURS  
AT A PLACE CALLED **E15**.



**PRESIDENT TRUMP, THANK YOU**  
for being a constant supporter of E15.  
Farmers need markets, not bailouts. It's  
time to get NATIONWIDE, YEAR-ROUND  
E15 unleashed by Congress.



Paid for by Iowa Renewable Fuels Association and Iowa Corn Growers Association.

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**Signed Des Moines Register Ad**

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I'm not sure it will hold up as a binding contract, but he told us to expect good things from his speech later today. E15 is good for Farmers, consumers and American energy security. Congress needs to get it passe!

Jarrett Renshaw · 6d

Signed contract? Trump offers his signature on E15 ad in today's @DMRegister. The biofuel supporters always looking at ways to box a president in!



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## X (Twitter) Post



**President Trump on Year-Round E15**

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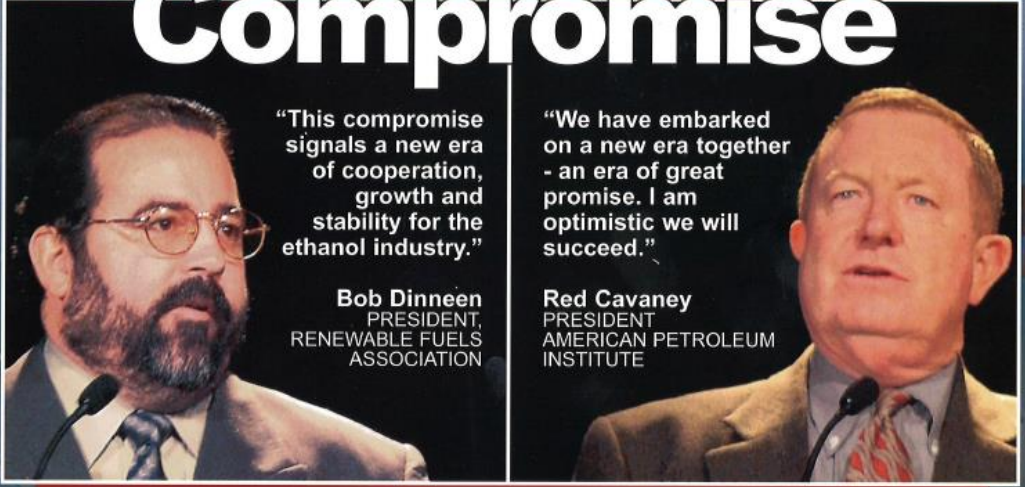
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March 2002

# Ethanol

PRODUCER MAGAZINE

## The Great RFS Compromise



"This compromise signals a new era of cooperation, growth and stability for the ethanol industry."

**Bob Dinneen**  
PRESIDENT,  
RENEWABLE FUELS  
ASSOCIATION

"We have embarked on a new era together - an era of great promise. I am optimistic we will succeed."

**Red Cavaney**  
PRESIDENT,  
AMERICAN PETROLEUM  
INSTITUTE

**Petroleum & Ethanol Leaders Agree to RFS, support five billion gallon U.S. ethanol market**

**SPECIAL REPORT**  
Success in San Diego!  
A review of the 2002 National Ethanol Conference: Policy & Marketing

**PERSPECTIVE**  
Q&A with Jack King  
California Farm Bureau Federation

**PERSONAL PROFILE**  
Mike Bryan and the BBI International story

**INDUSTRY BUILDERS**  
Bio-Renewable Group:  
Wanzek forms alliance with CJS, SUITT, Vogelbusch

# Ethanol Producer Magazine



## **Ag groups, API urge E15 council to stay focused, keep deadline**

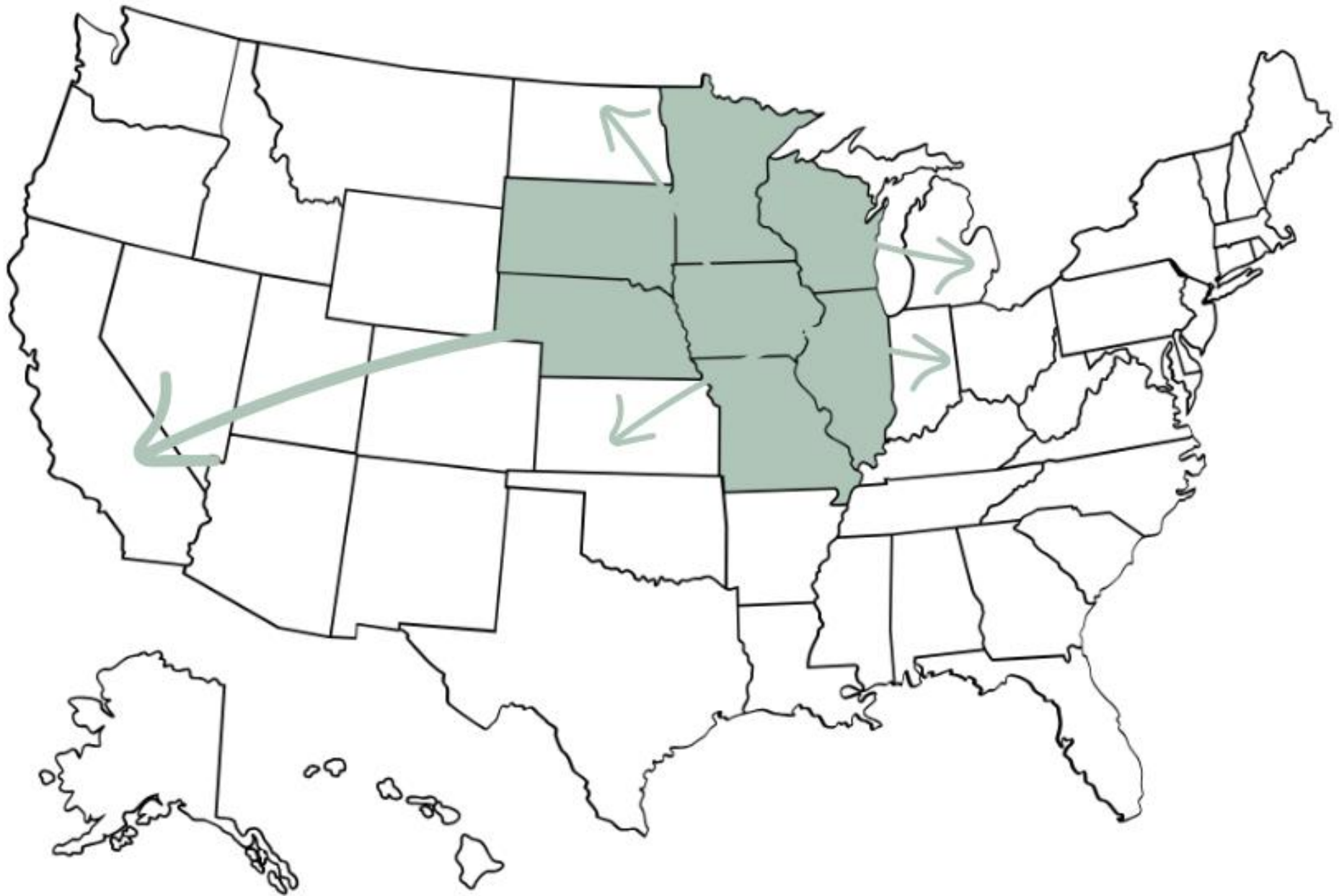
**API CALLS FOR SWIFT CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON YEAR-ROUND E15 AND REFINERY CERTAINTY**

**Year-Round E15 Compromise**



**Britian will “go on to the end...we shall fight on the seas and oceans, we shall fight...in the air, we shall defend our Island, whatever the cost may be, we shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight in the fields and in the streets, we shall fight in the hills; we shall never surrender...”**

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**Nationwide E15**