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Appalachian Natural Gas Production

A Macro Analysis

DUG Appalachia 2024

Topics

- Horizontal Shale Production Outlook – *Past and future*
- LNG Demand – *Current and future capacity*
- Midstream Trends – *Bringing new capacity online*
- Pricing Expectations – *Short-term and long-term outlook*

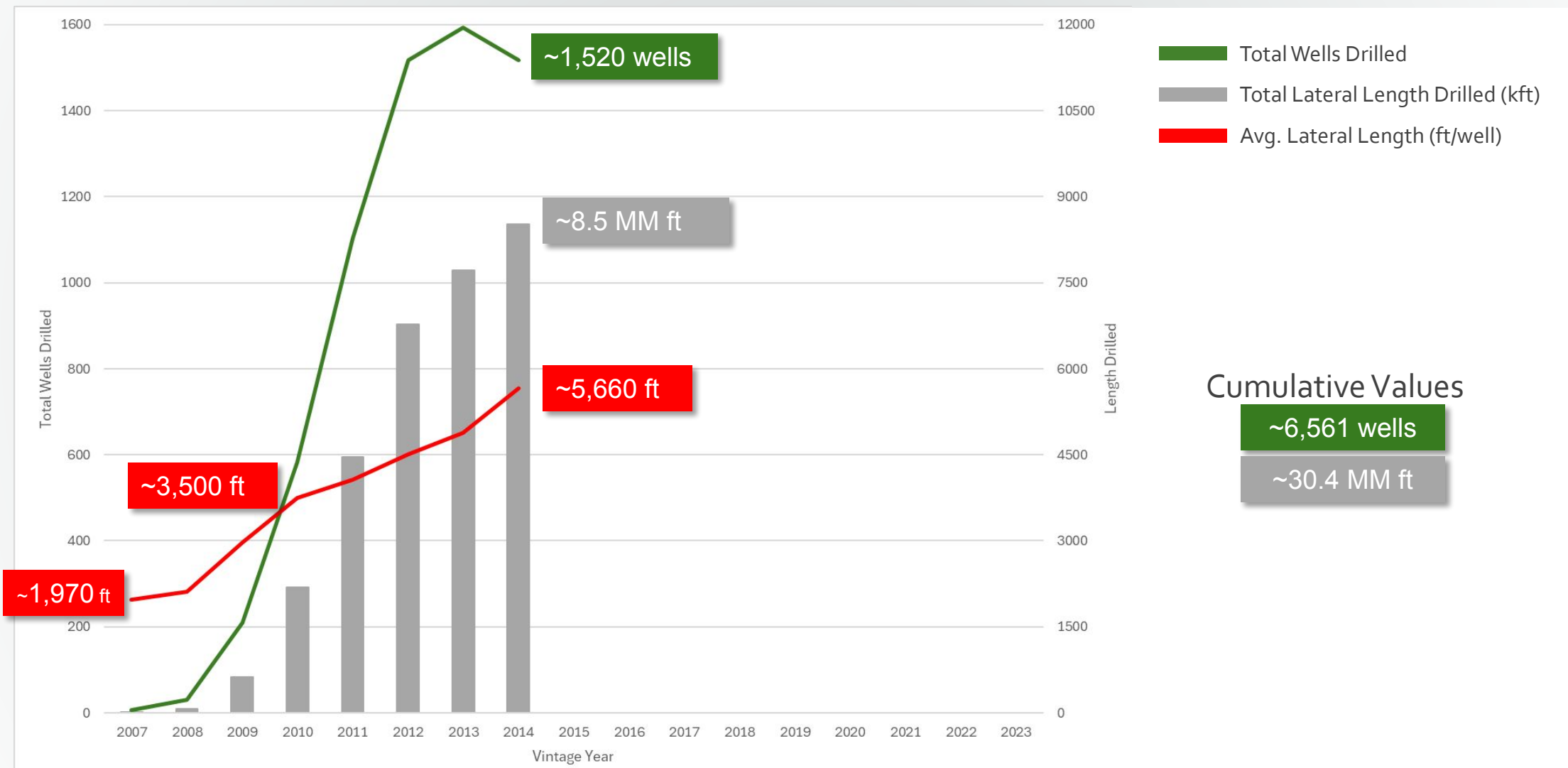
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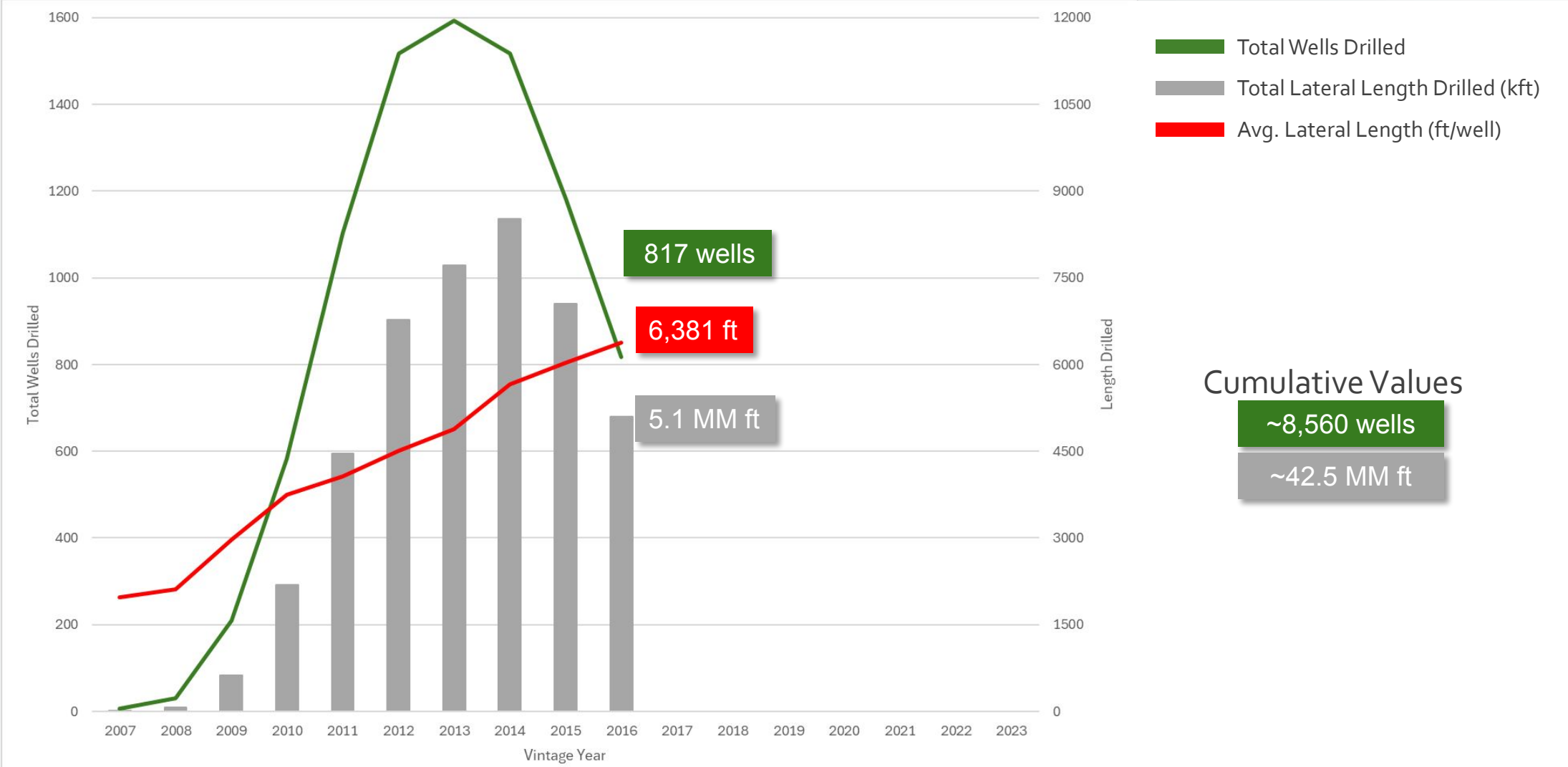
Production Outlook – *Past and Future*

- Marcellus and Utica Over The Years – *Where are we on the learning curve?*
- Current Well Performance – *Have we hit a plateau?*
- Horizontal Shale Production – *Have we reached peak gas in Appalachia?*
- Marcellus Development Outlook – *Offsetting the base decline with new development*
- Recent Production Trend

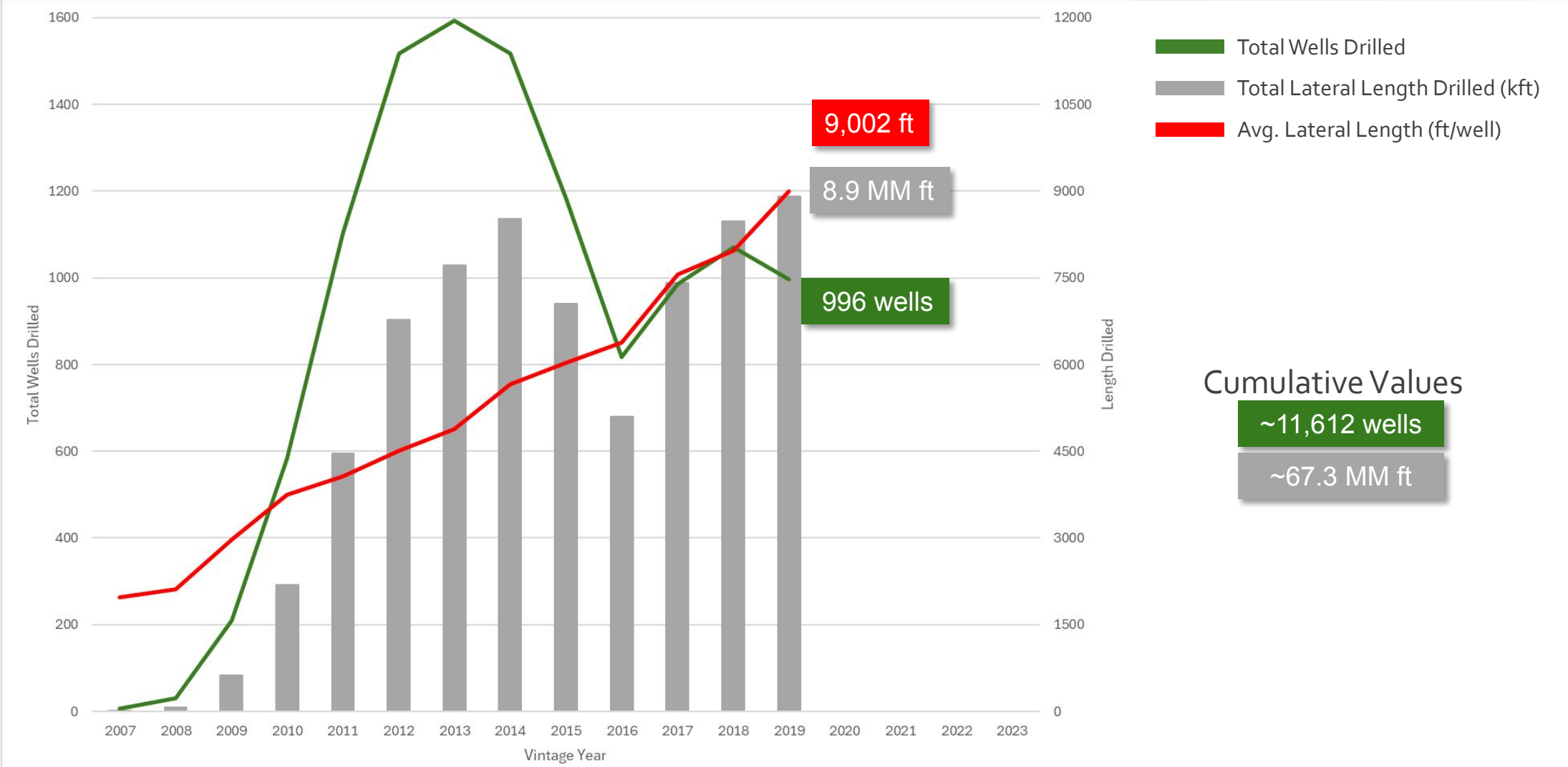
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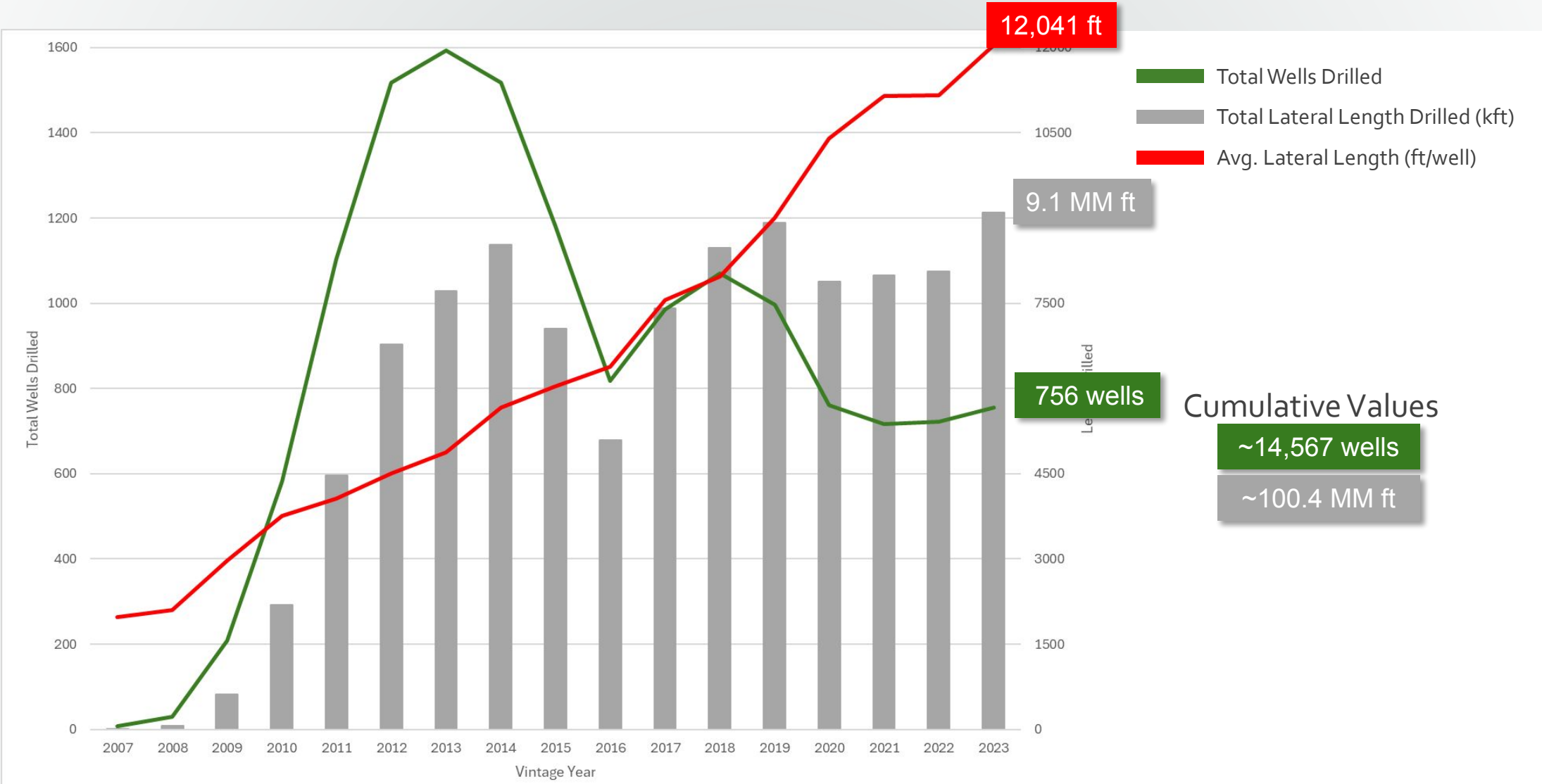
Marcellus Over the Years – *in 2016*



Marcellus Over the Years – *in 2019*

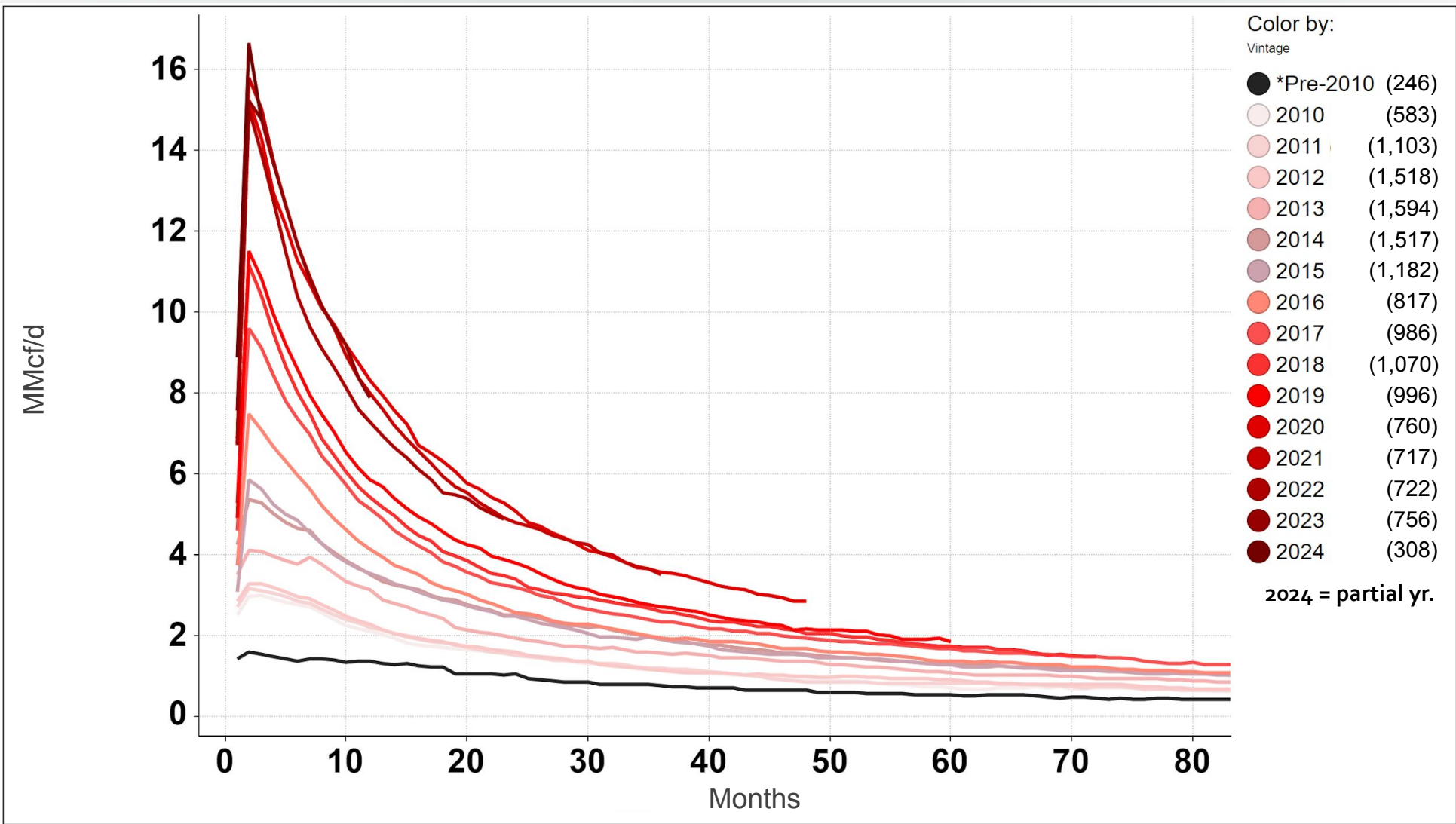


Marcellus Over the Years – *in 2023*



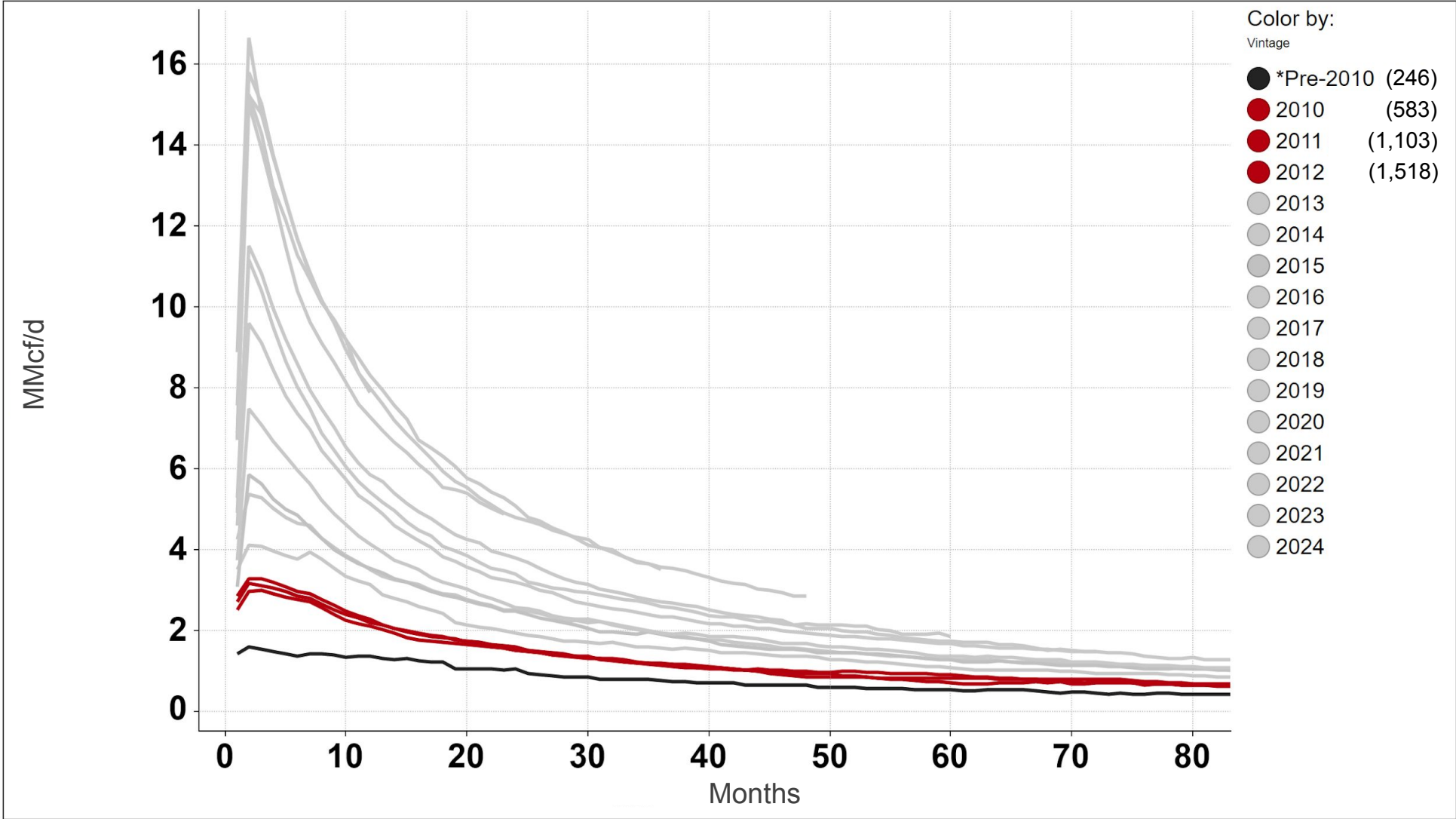
Average Well Performance by Vintage

Marcellus: All Wells (Wells: ~14,800 | Cum. Lateral: ~110 MM ft.)



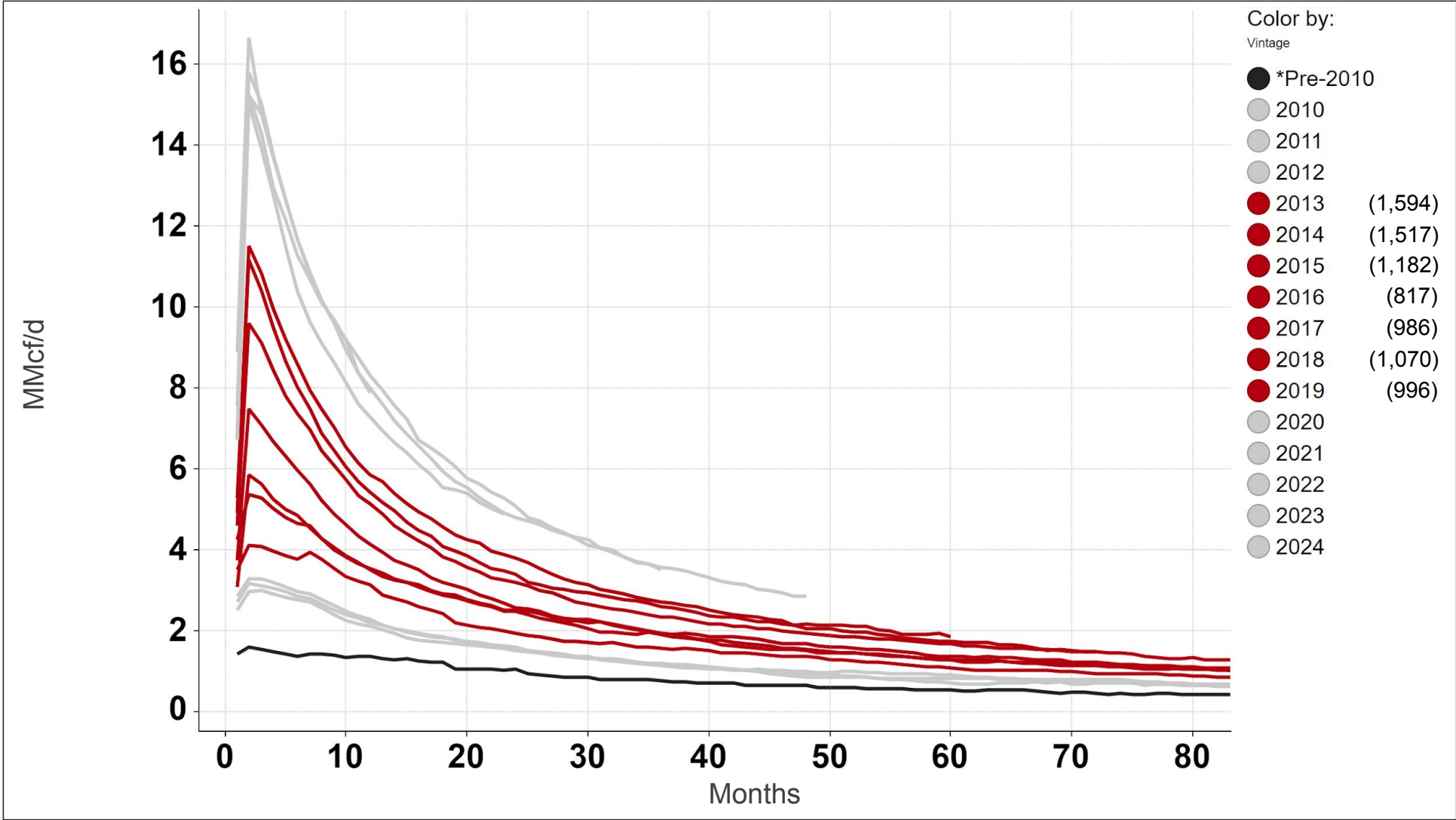
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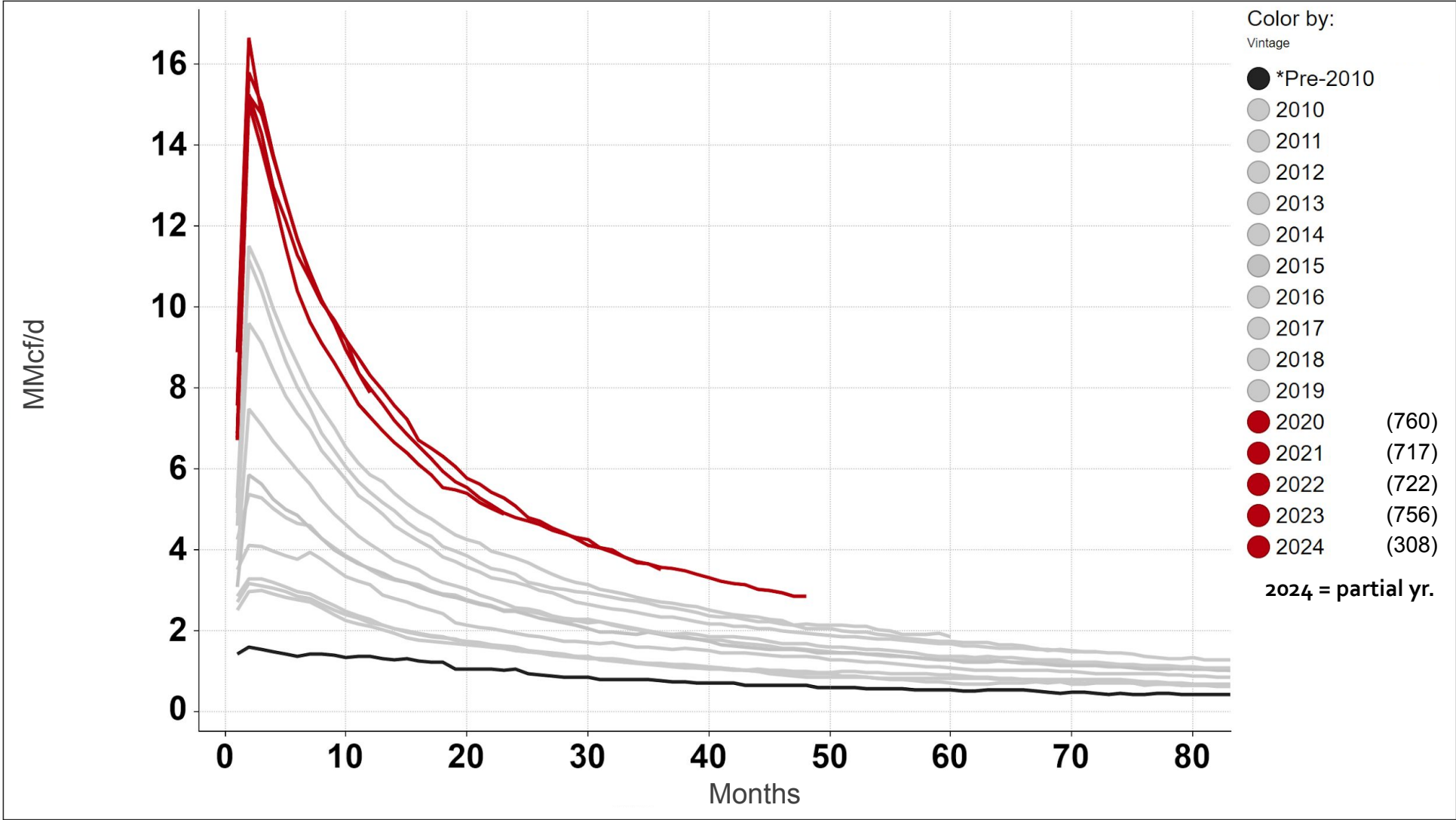
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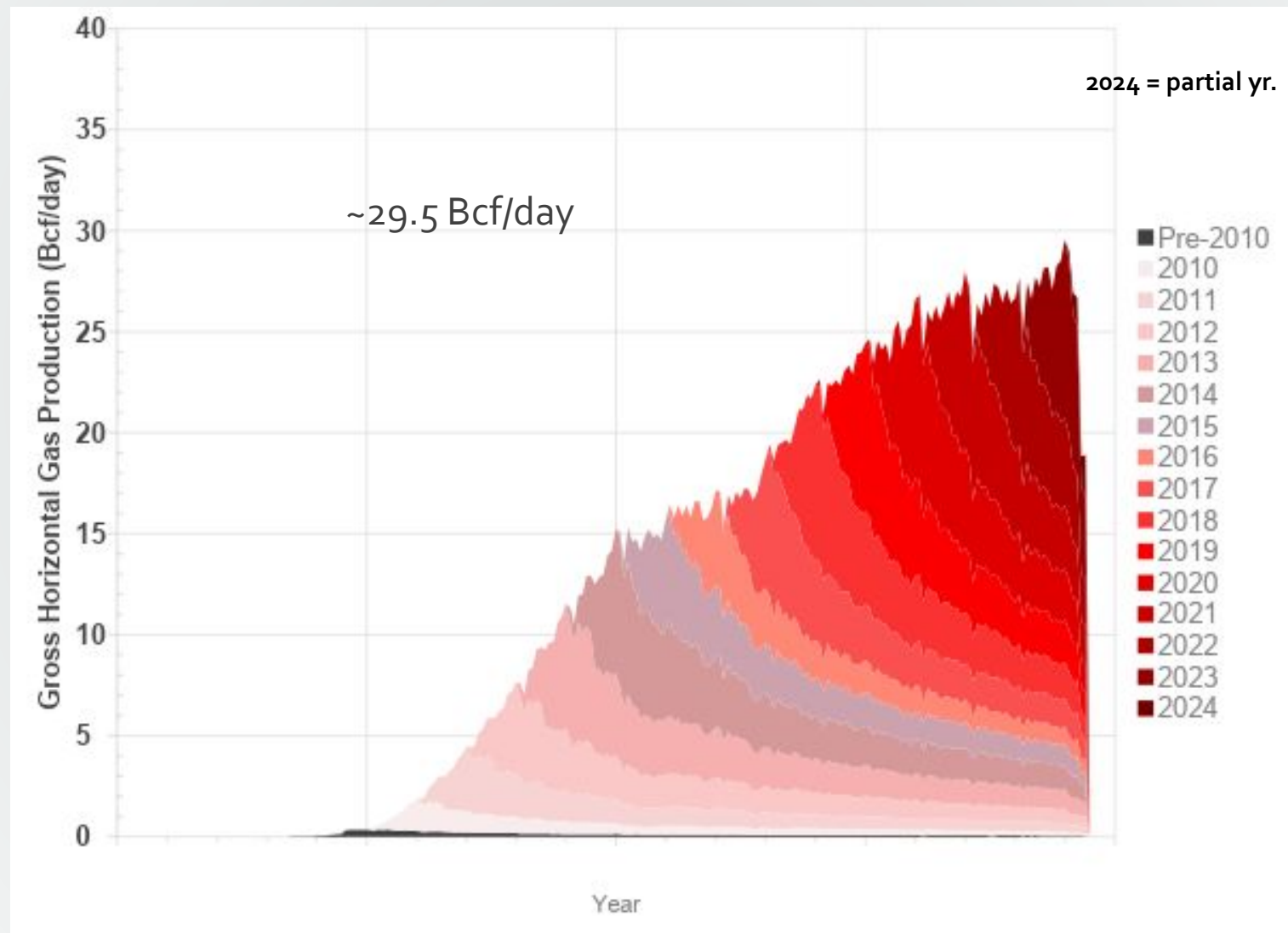
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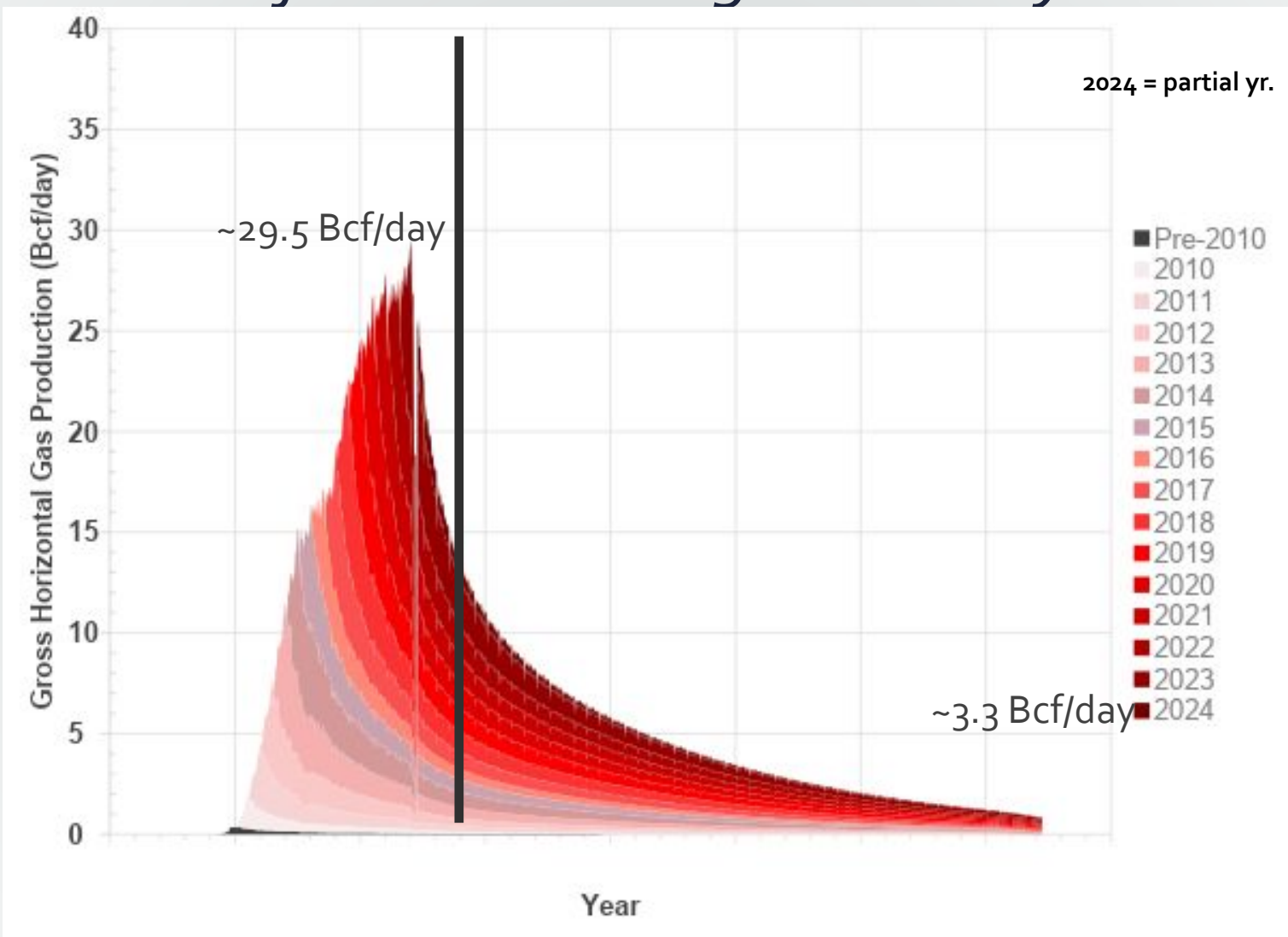
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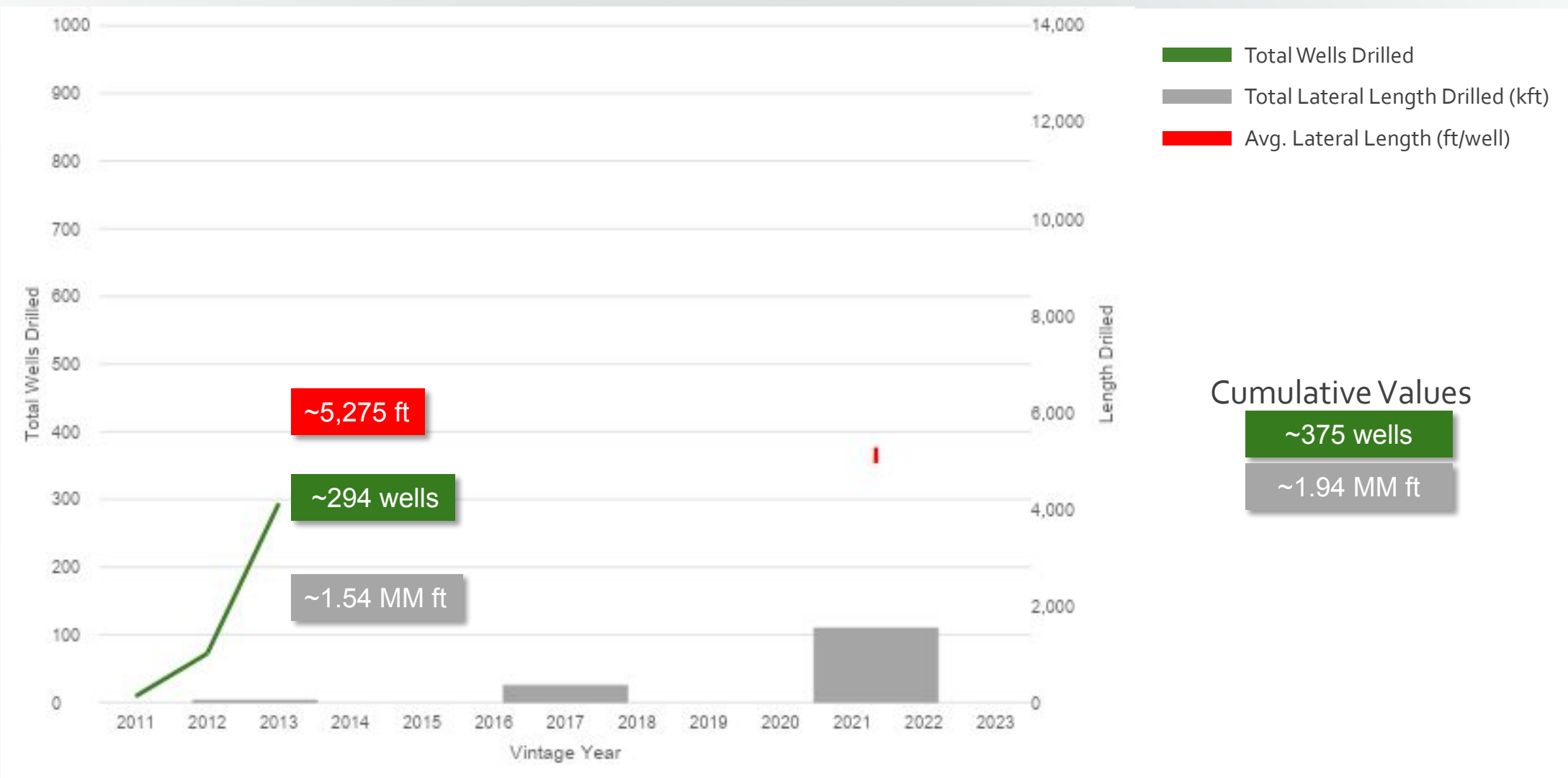


Marcellus Horizontal Gas Production

Historical and Projected – Existing Wells Only



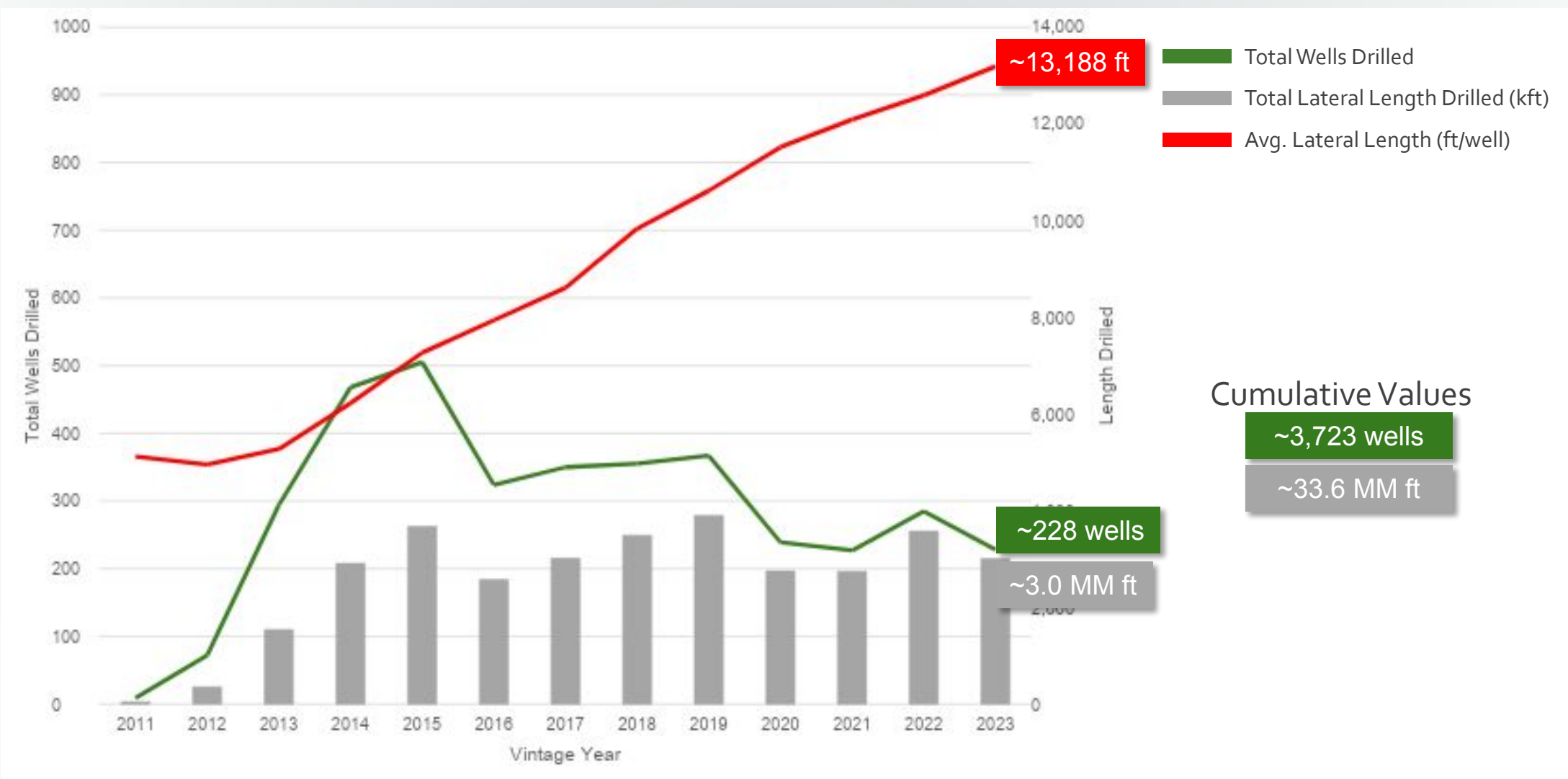
Utica/Pt. Pleasant Over the Years – *in 2013*



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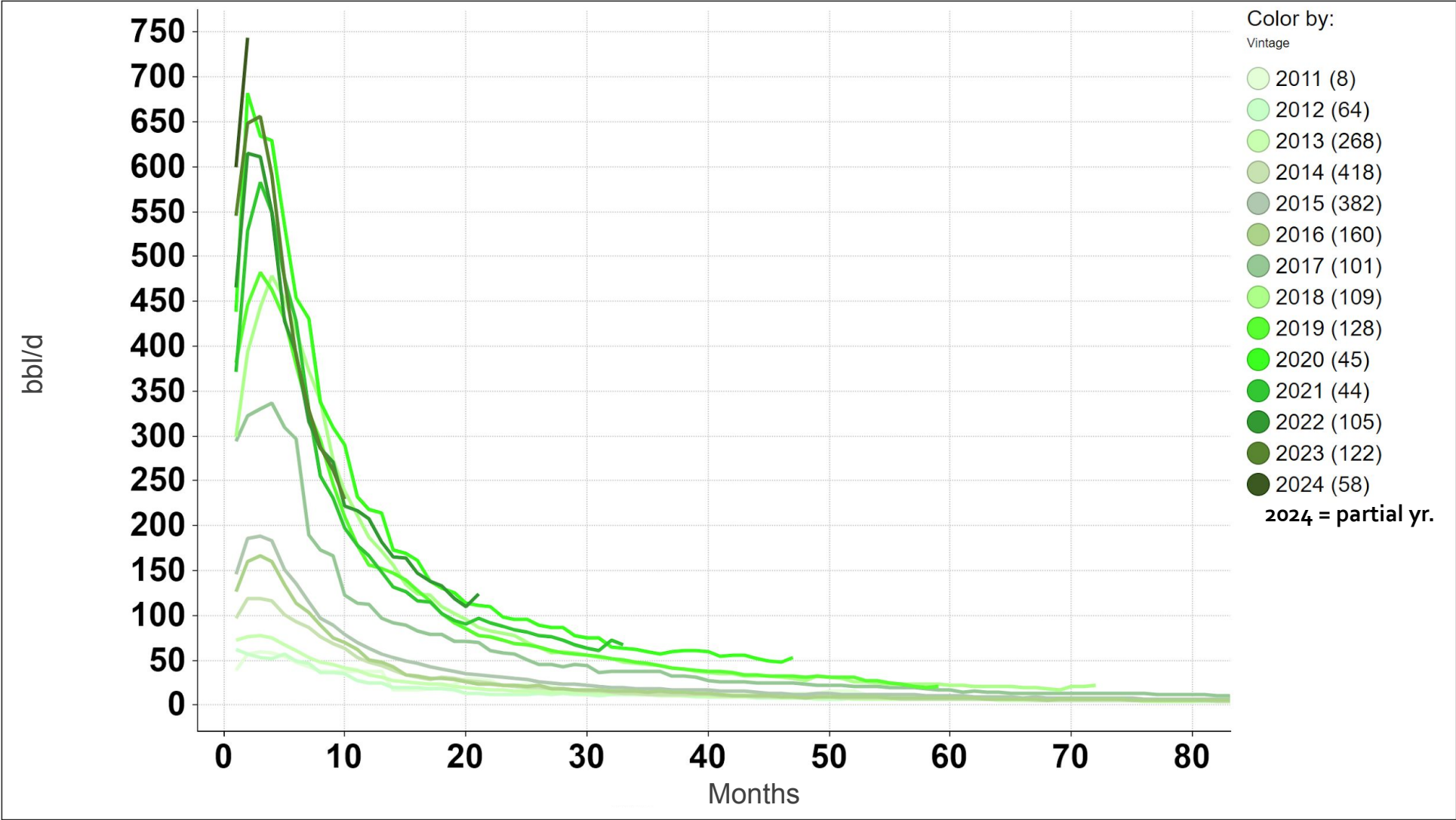


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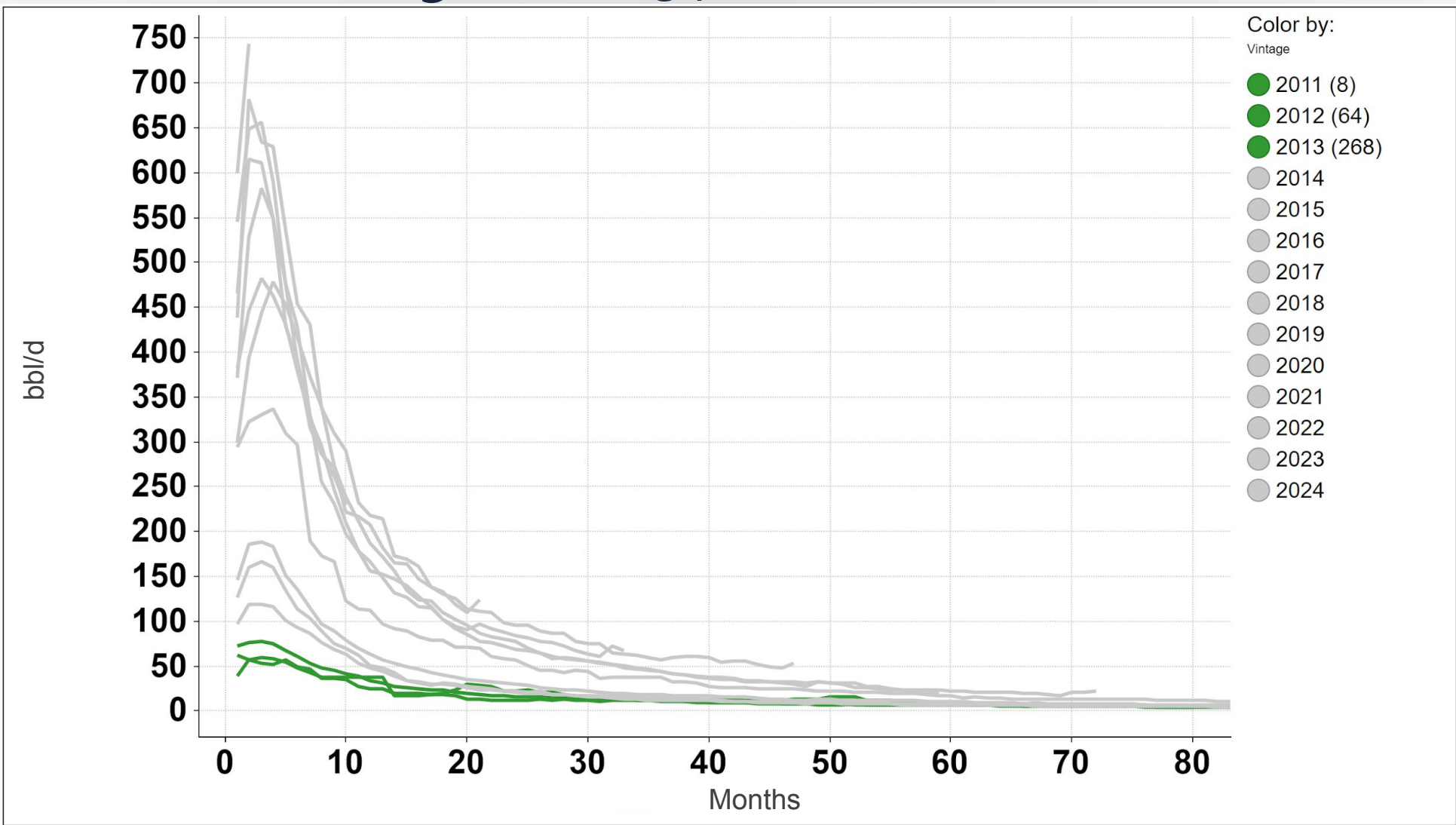
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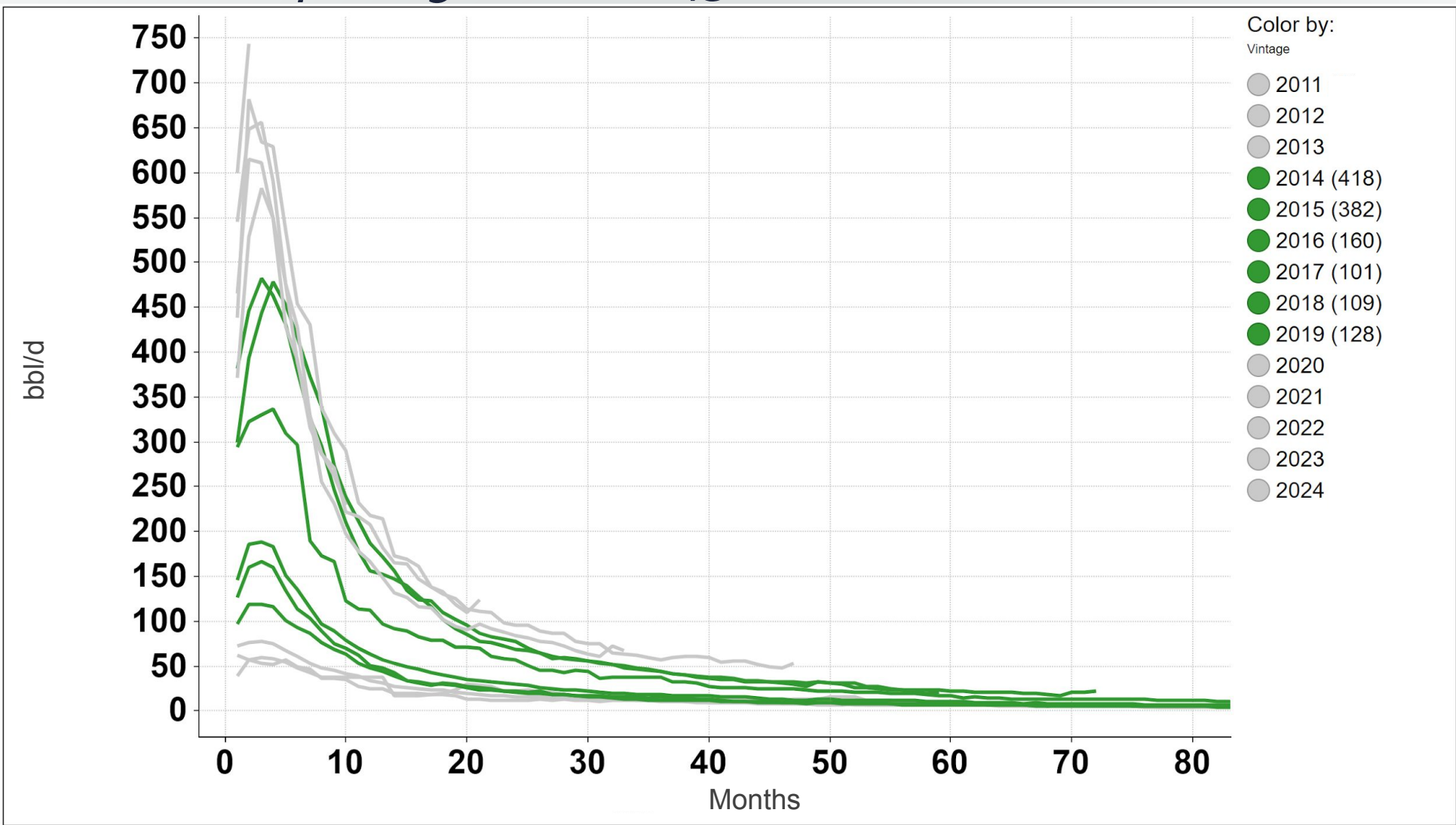
Average Well Performance by Vintage

Utica Oil: 2011-2013 (Wells: ~340)



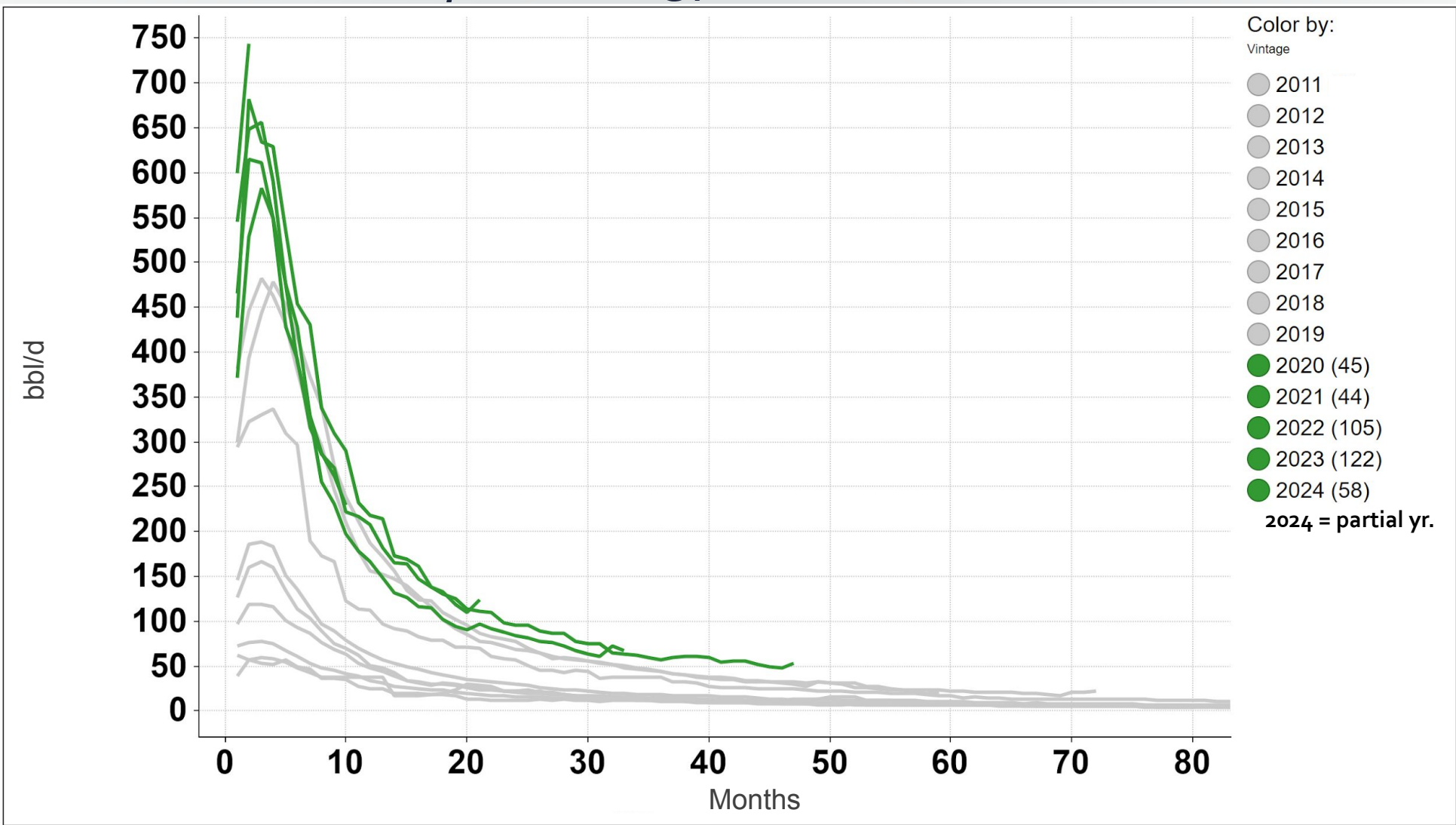
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Utica Oil: 2014-2019 (Wells: ~1,300)



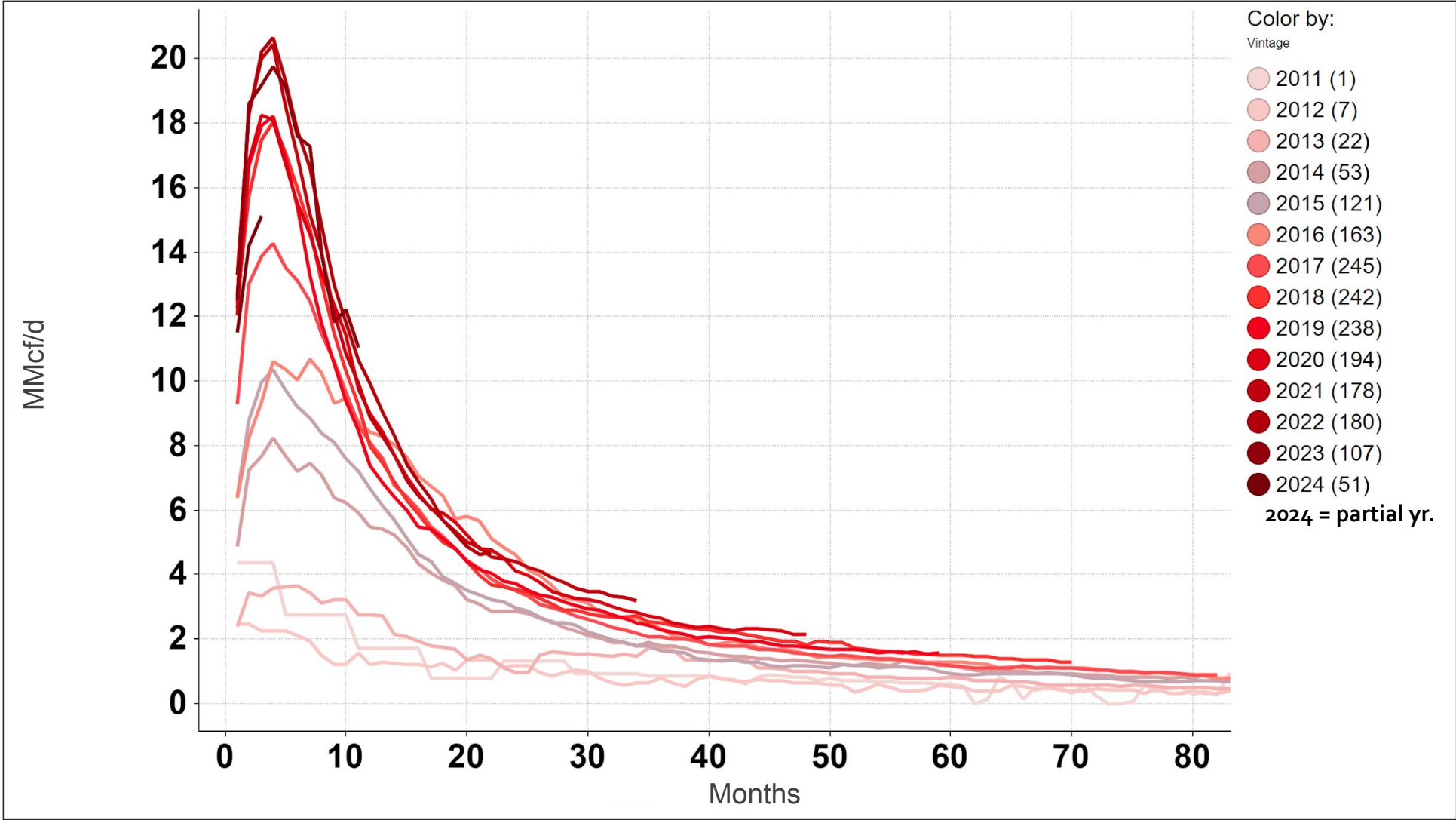
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Utica Oil: 2020-2024 (Wells: ~370)



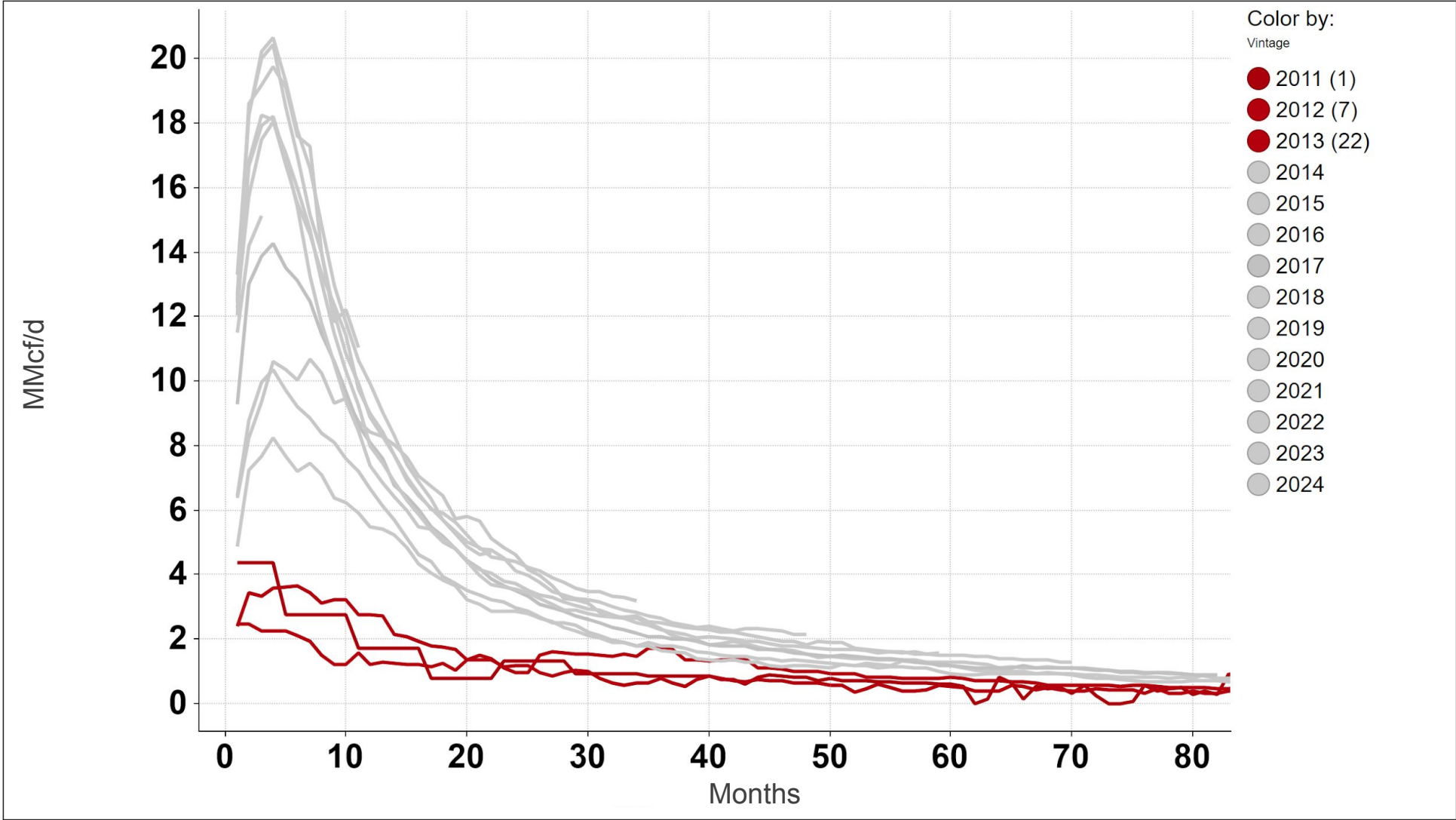
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Utica Dry Gas: All Wells (Wells: ~1,800 | Cum. Lateral: ~18.6 MM ft.)



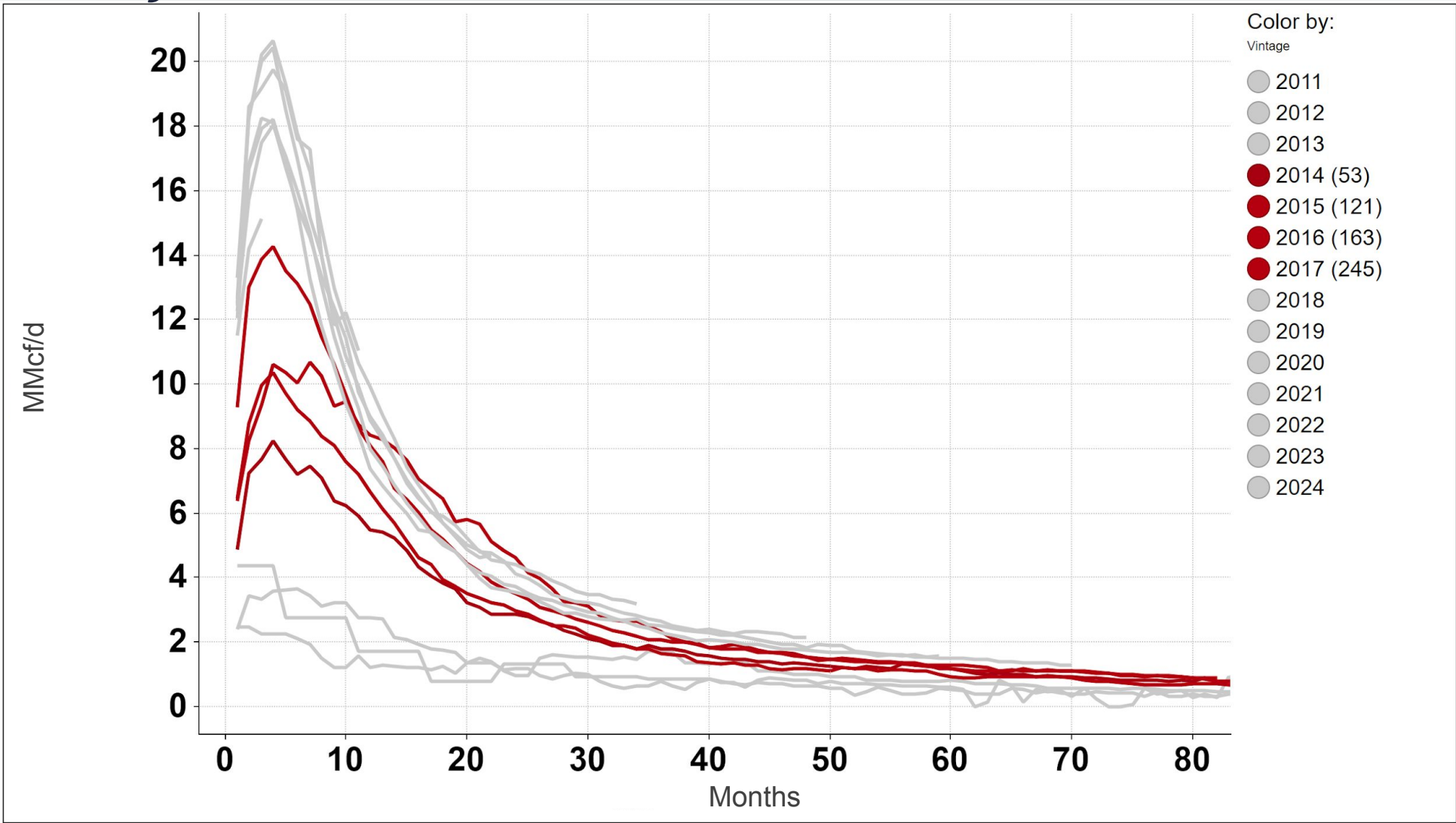
Average Well Performance by Vintage

Utica Dry Gas: 2011-2013 (Wells: ~30)



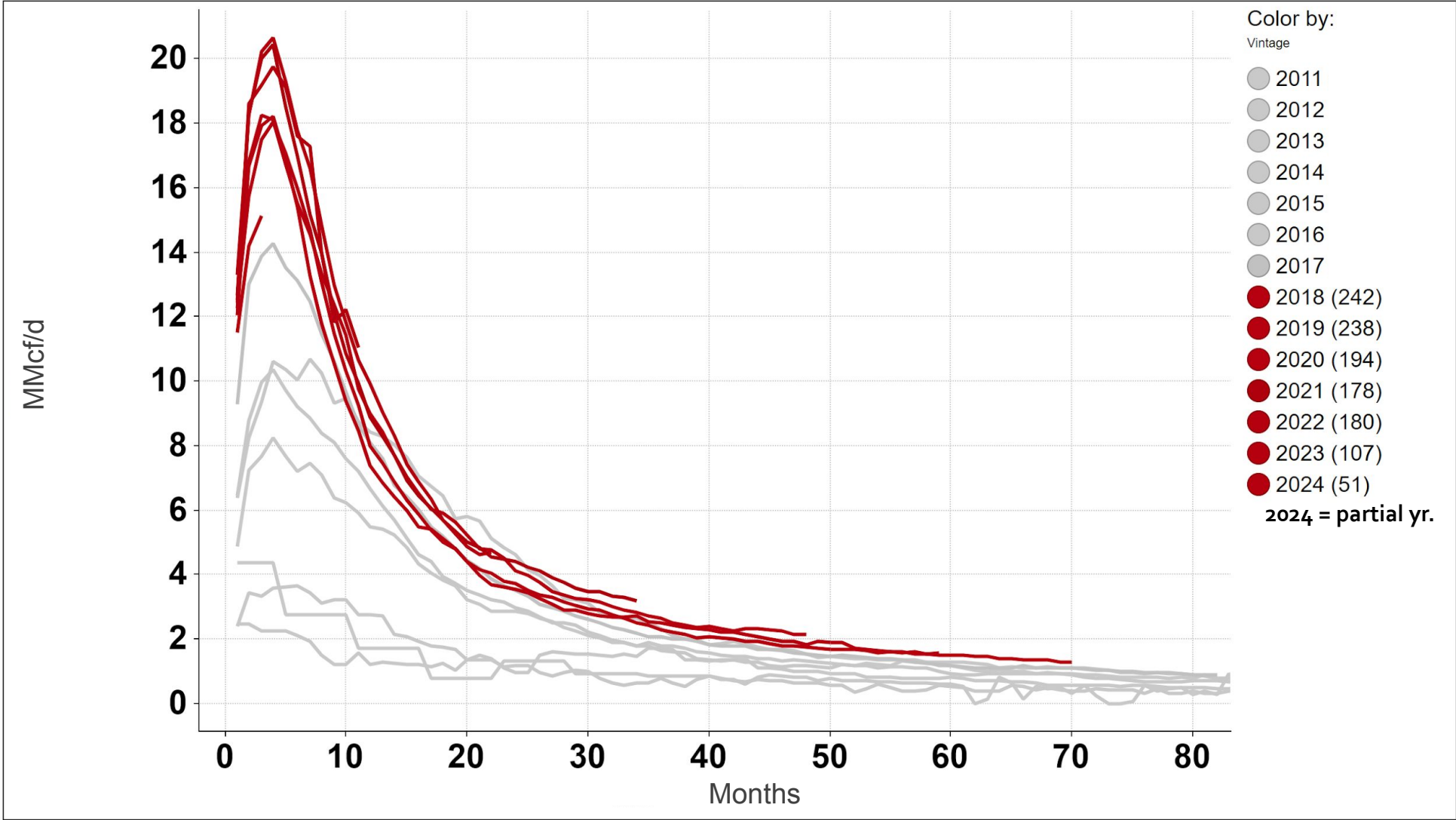
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Utica Dry Gas: 2014-2017 (Wells: ~582)



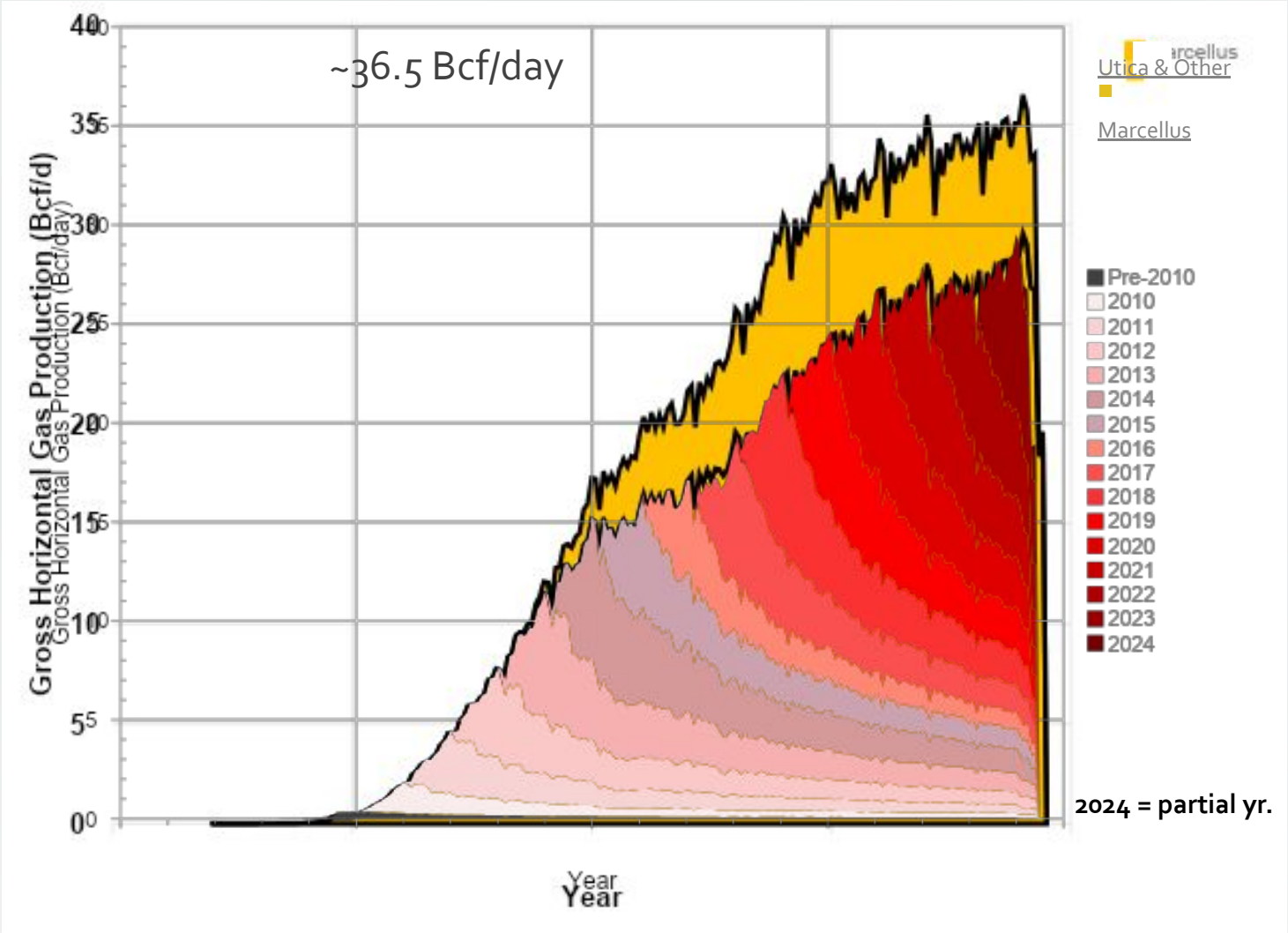
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Utica Dry Gas: 2018-2024 (Wells: ~1,190)



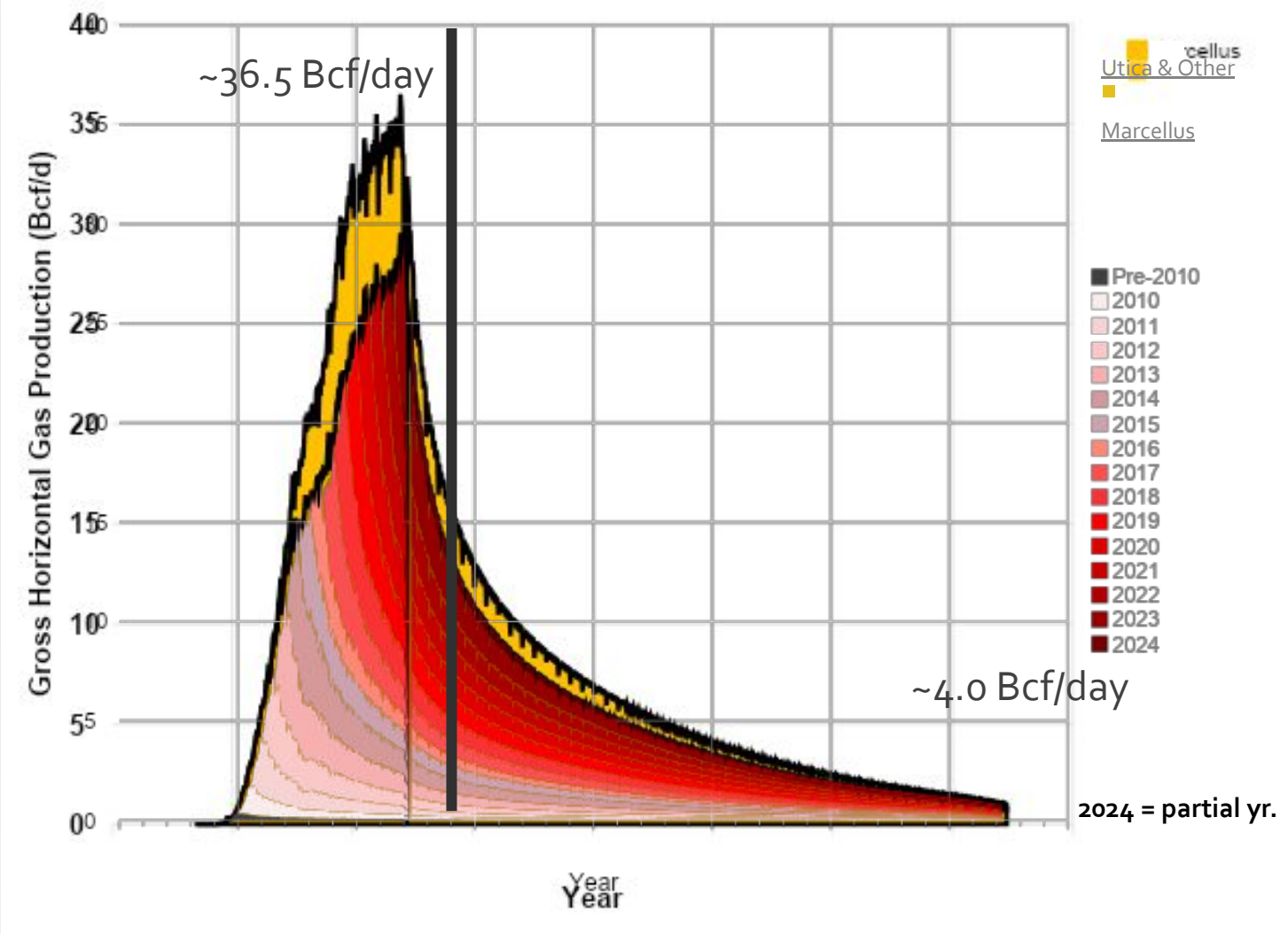
Marcellus, Utica & Other Horizontal Gas Production

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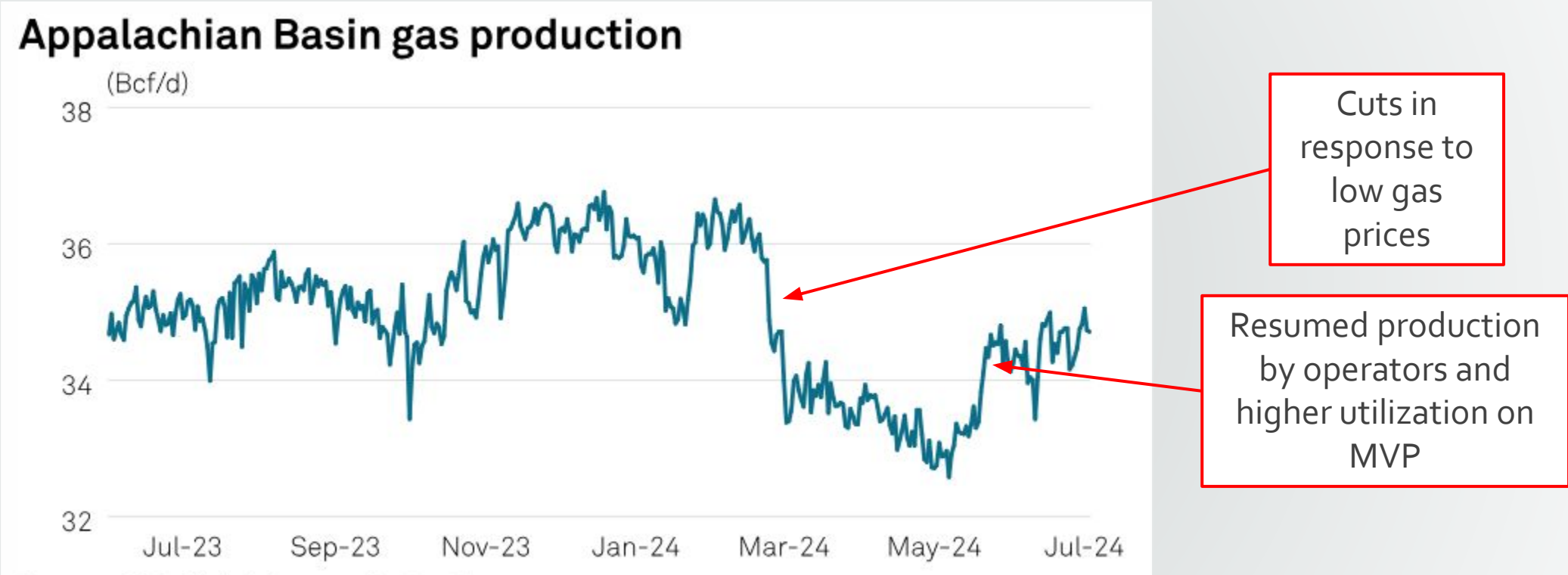


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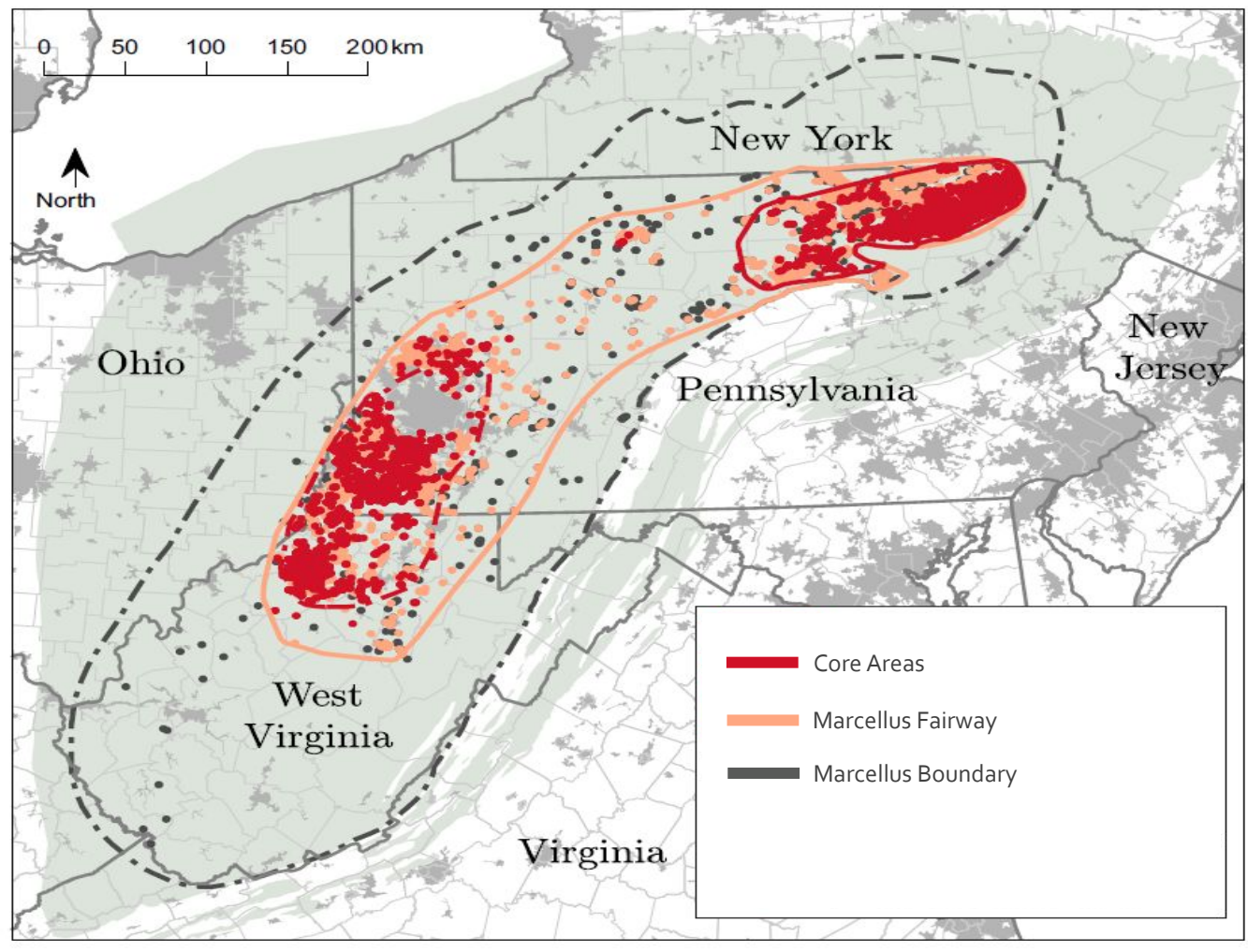
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Recent Production Trend

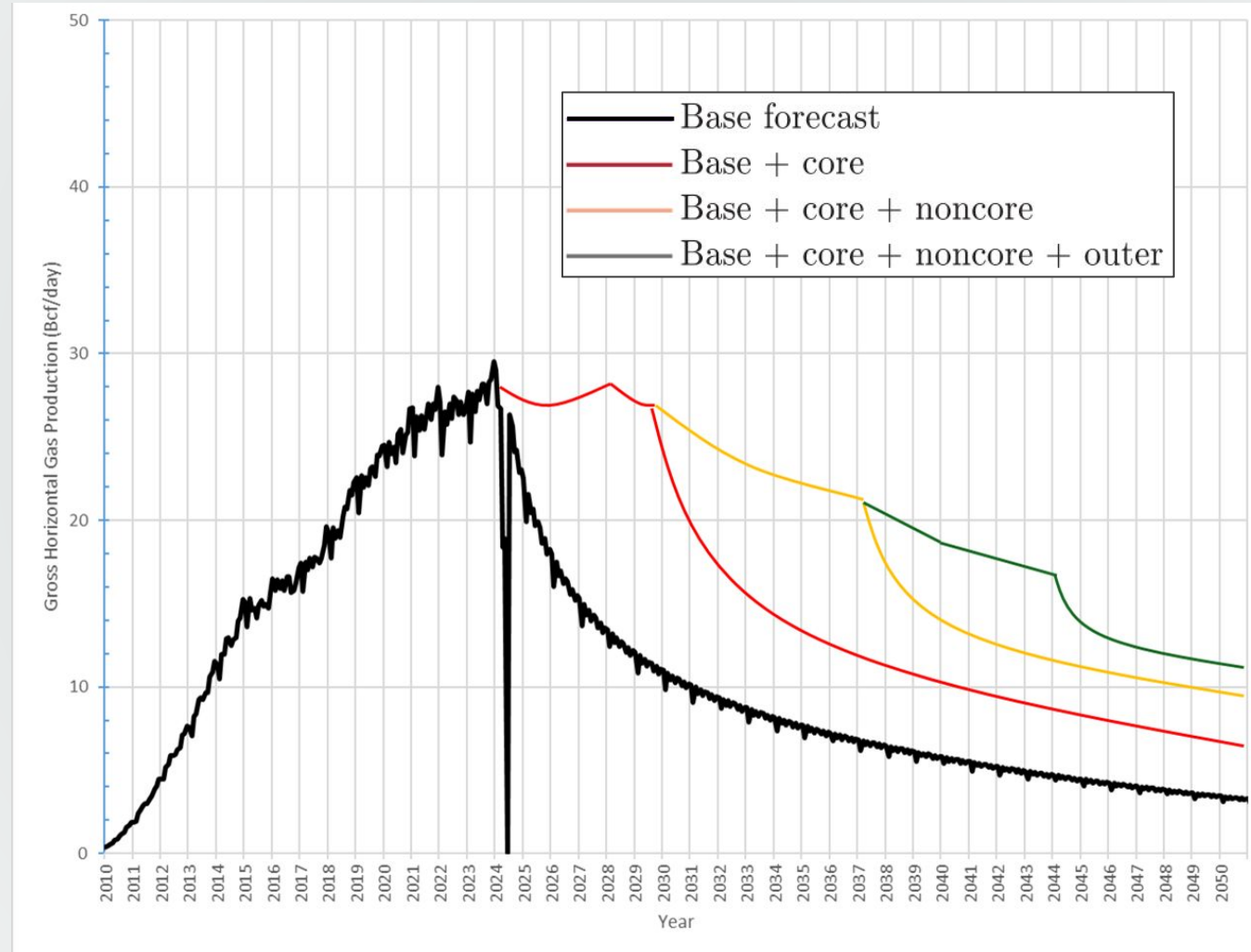


Marcellus Development Outlook



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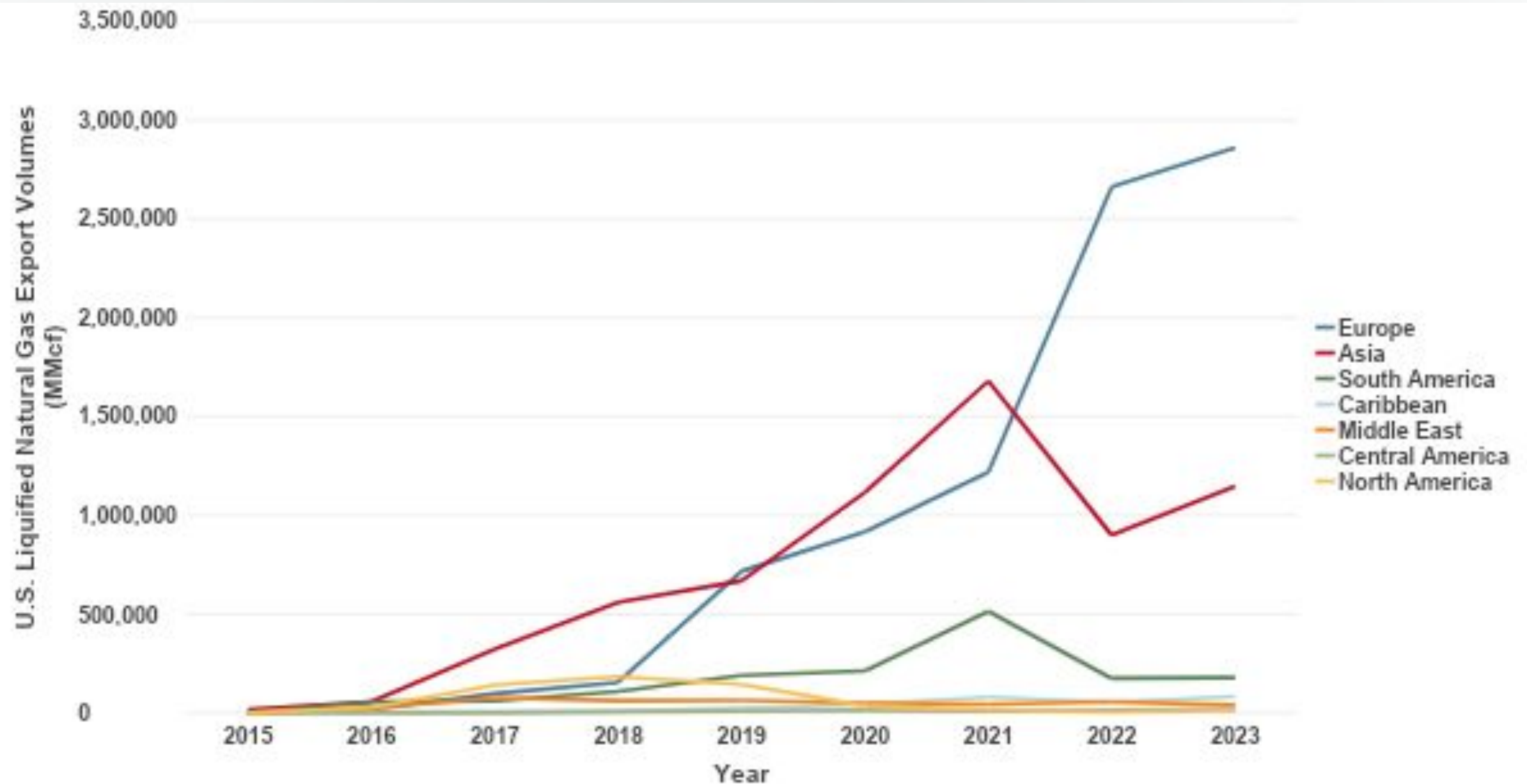
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LNG Demand

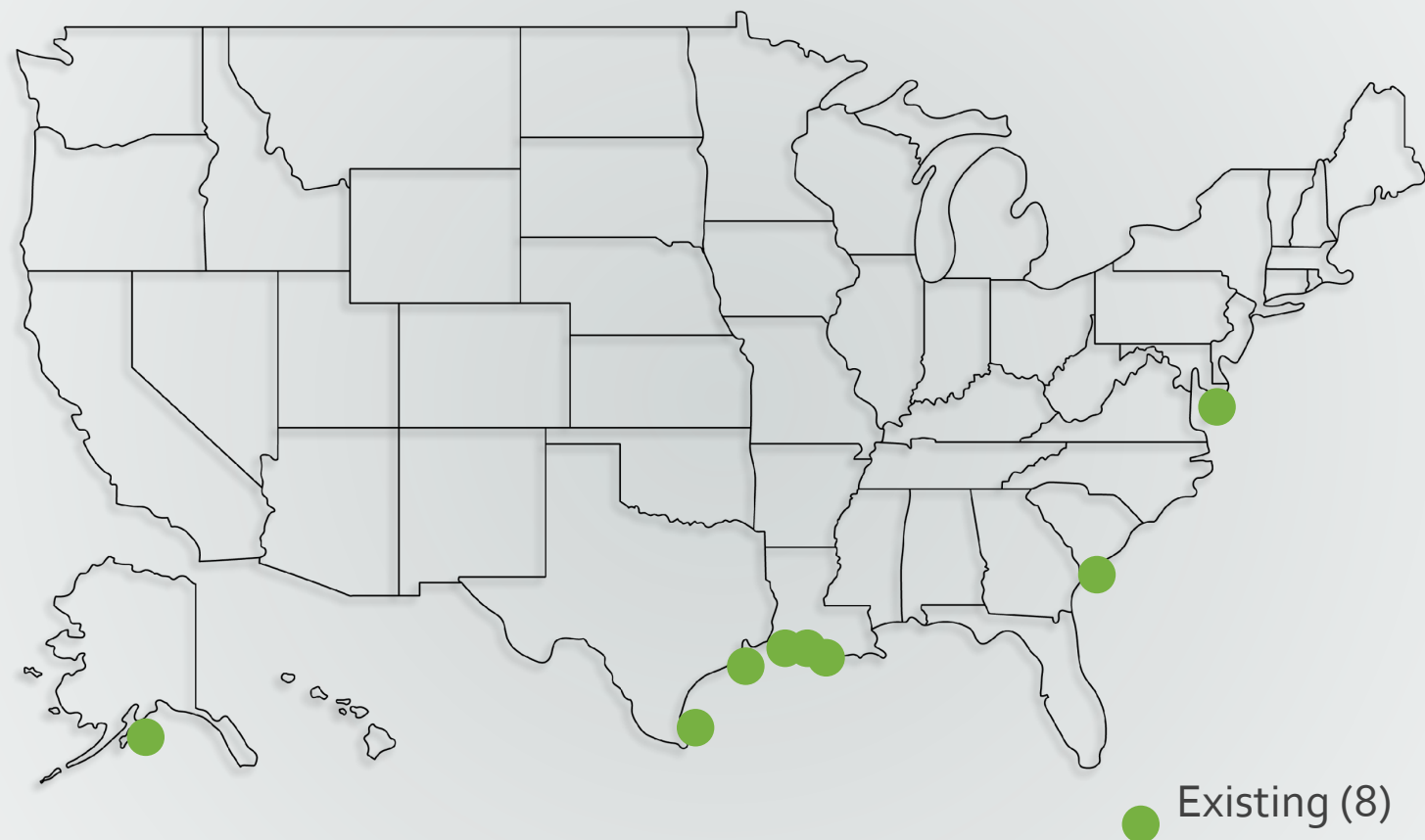


U.S. LNG Annual Exports – Where are they going?



U.S. LNG Export Terminals

Current Operational



Data sourced from FERC as of October 22, 2024
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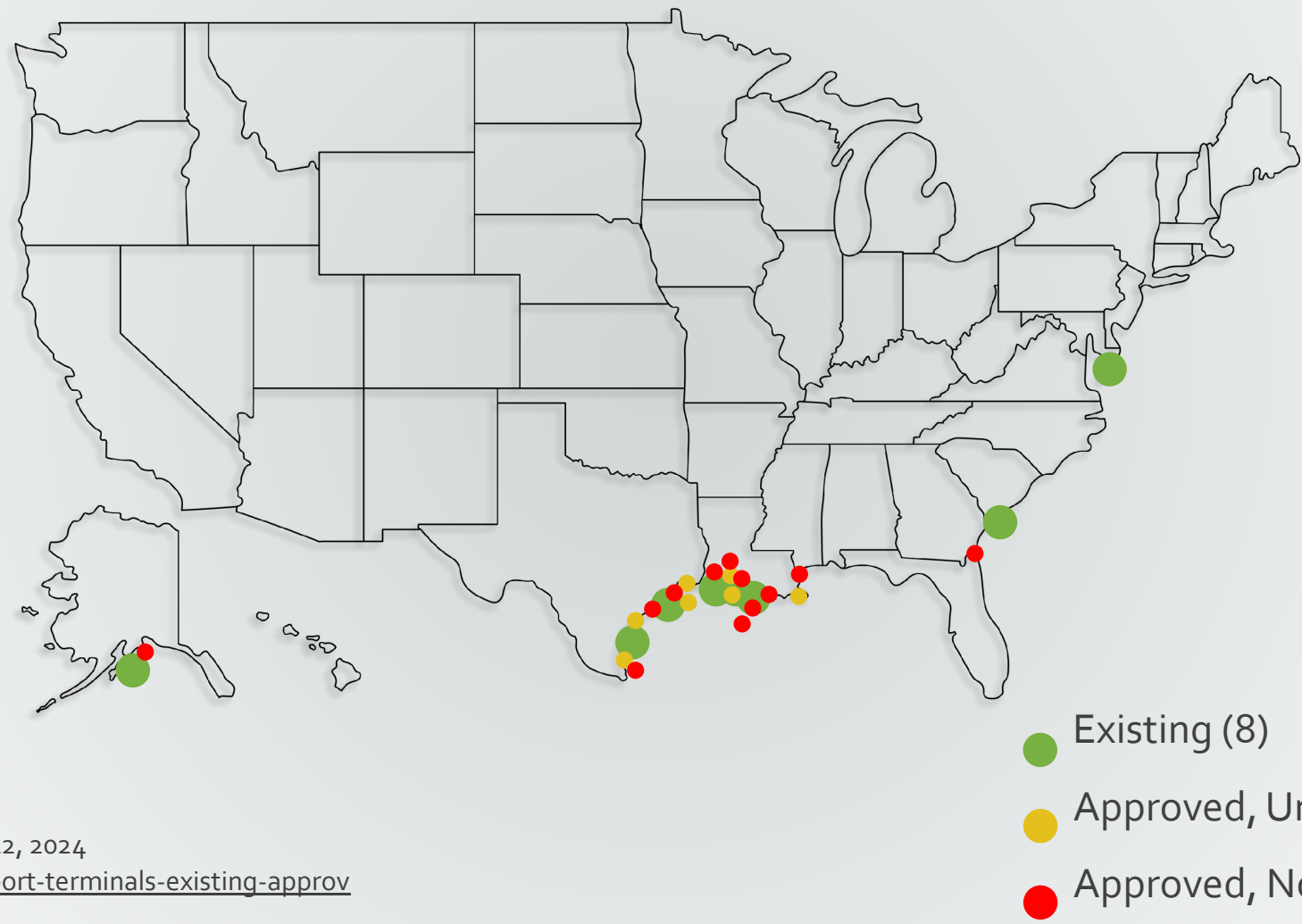
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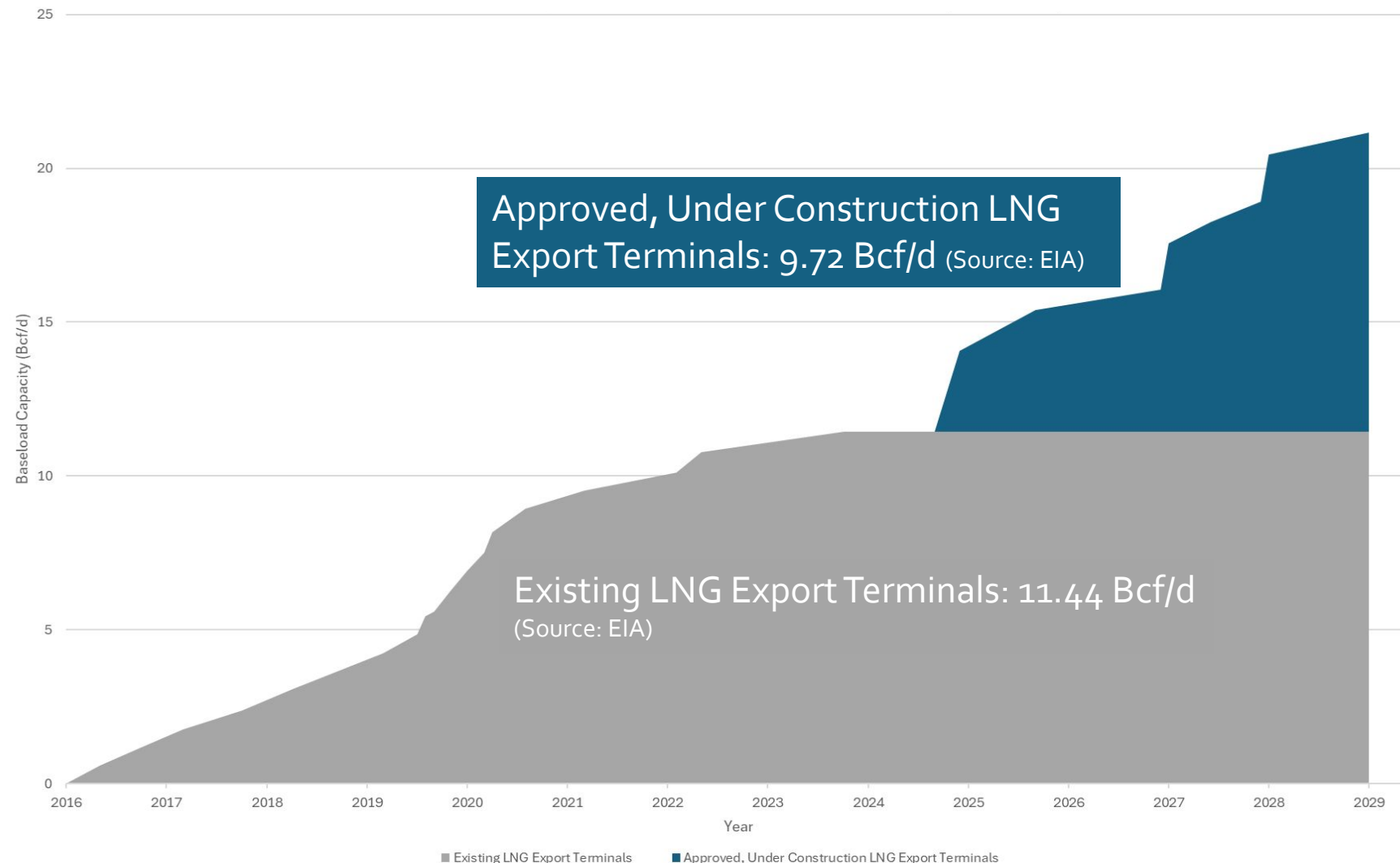
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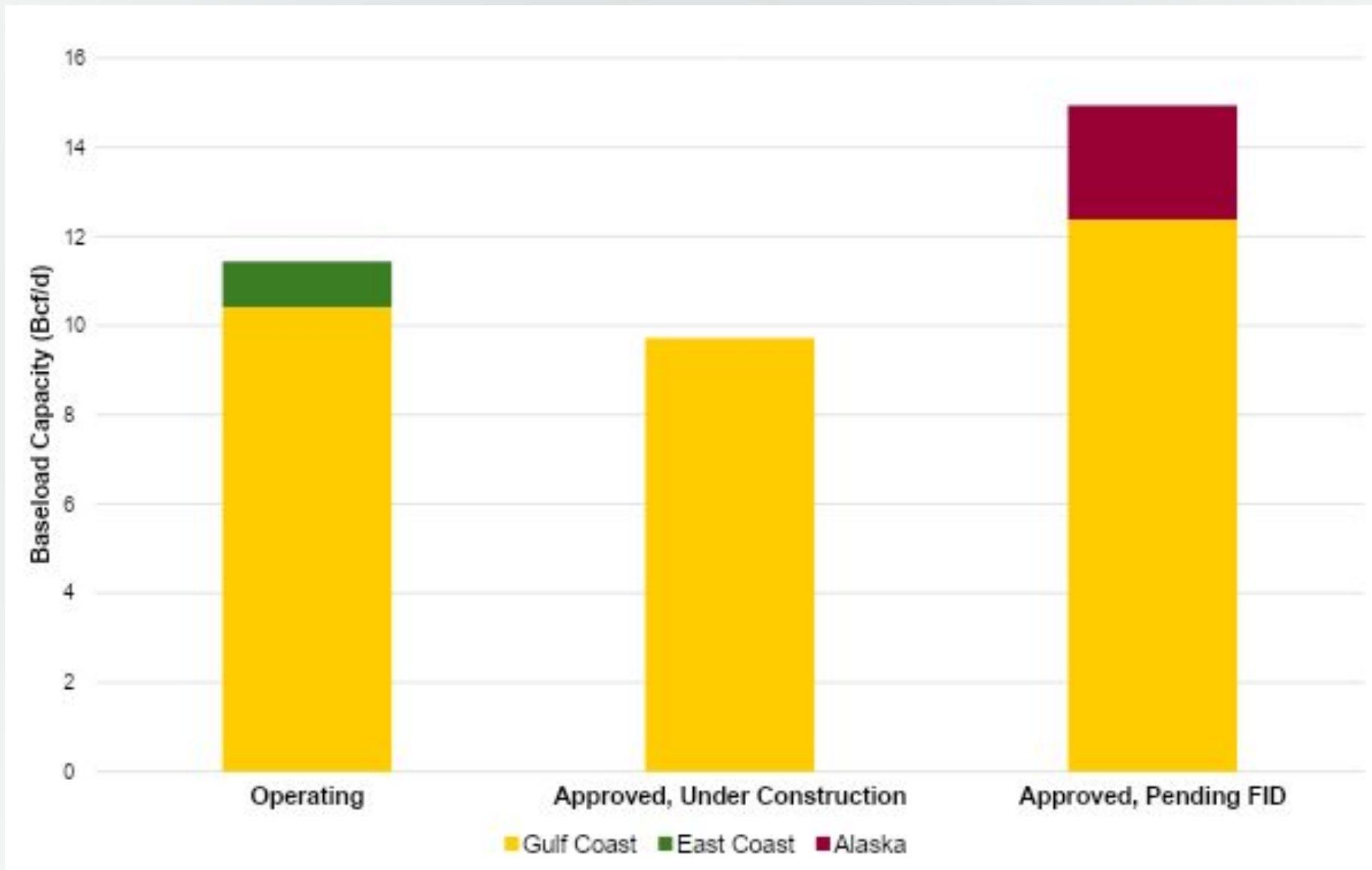
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U.S. LNG Export Capacity (2016-2029)

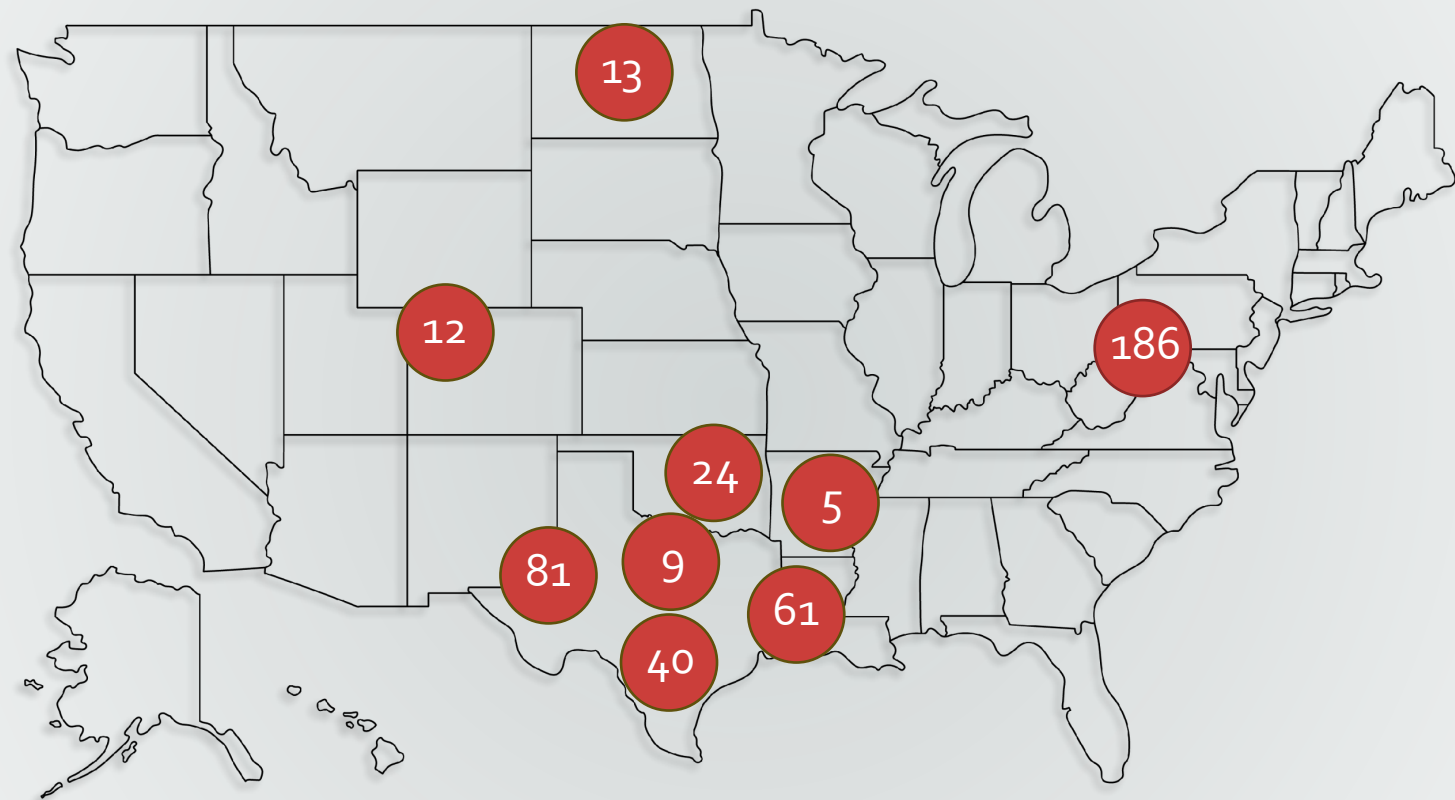
An additional
14.93 Bcf/d
of potential
exports not
shown -
pending Final
Investment
Decisions
(Source: EIA)



U.S. Liquefied Natural Gas Export Capacity



U.S. Proved Natural Gas Reserves (Tcf)



Source: EIA as of April 29, 2024
(https://www.eia.gov/naturalgas/crudeoilreserves/pdf/Table_4.pdf)
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Midstream Trends

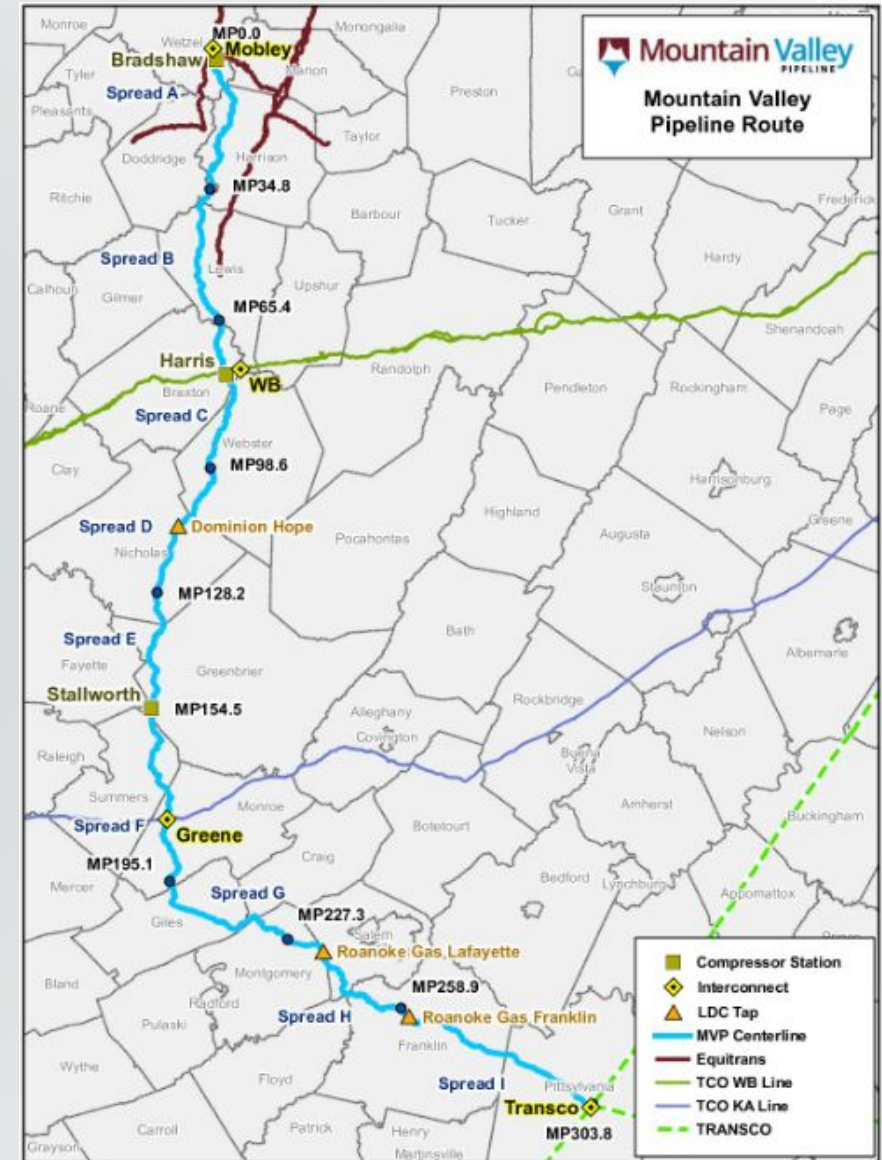


Midstream Update and Trends in Appalachia

- New pipeline projects and expansions should continue to help increase export capacity from the region
- The industry needs more projects to move gas to the Southeast, which is experiencing the largest regional demand growth for natural gas
- Infrastructure upgrades and additions in the basin facilitate in-basin use of gas, such as natural gas fired powerplants
- Some operators are vertically integrating by acquiring midstream to hedge against gathering and transportation costs in times of low-price environment

Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP)

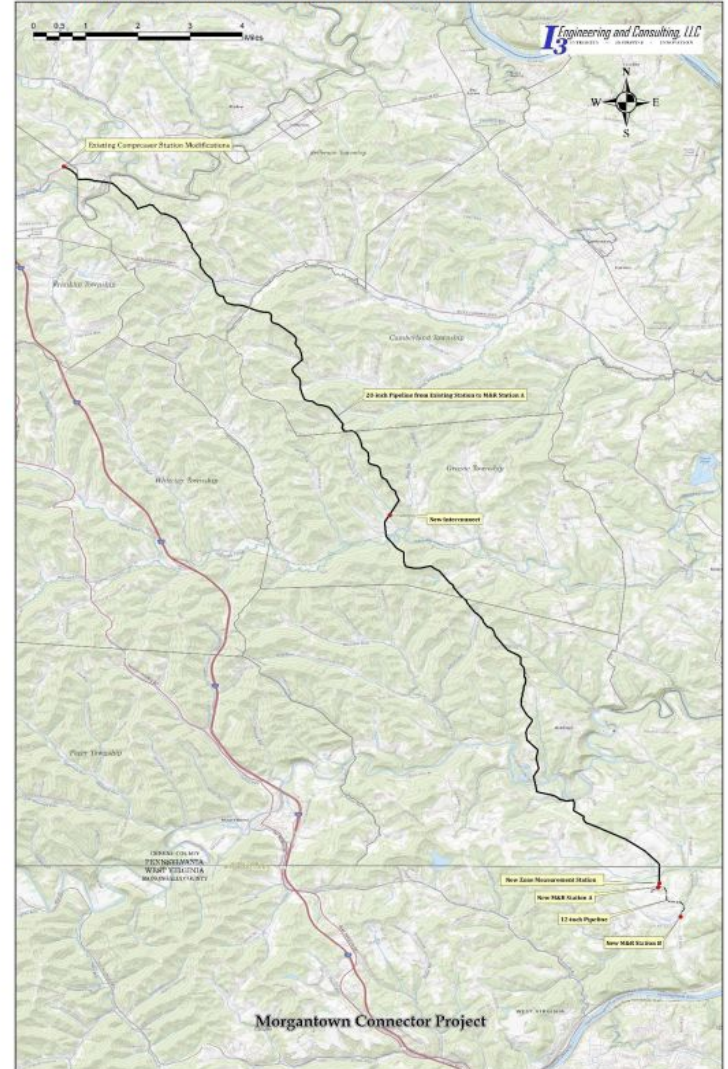
- MVP extends from Wetzel County, West Virginia for approximately 303 miles to Pittsylvania County, Virginia and will help meet growing demand in southwestern Virginia
- MVP can deliver up to 2 Bcf/day primarily from the Marcellus and Utica Shales, to the mid- and South Atlantic regions of the U.S.
- MVP began commercial operations on June 14, 2024.
- MVP alone doesn't solve the over-supply issue in the northeast; however, it is another expansion of the system to provide additional outlets for Marcellus and Utica gas.



Morgantown Connector Project

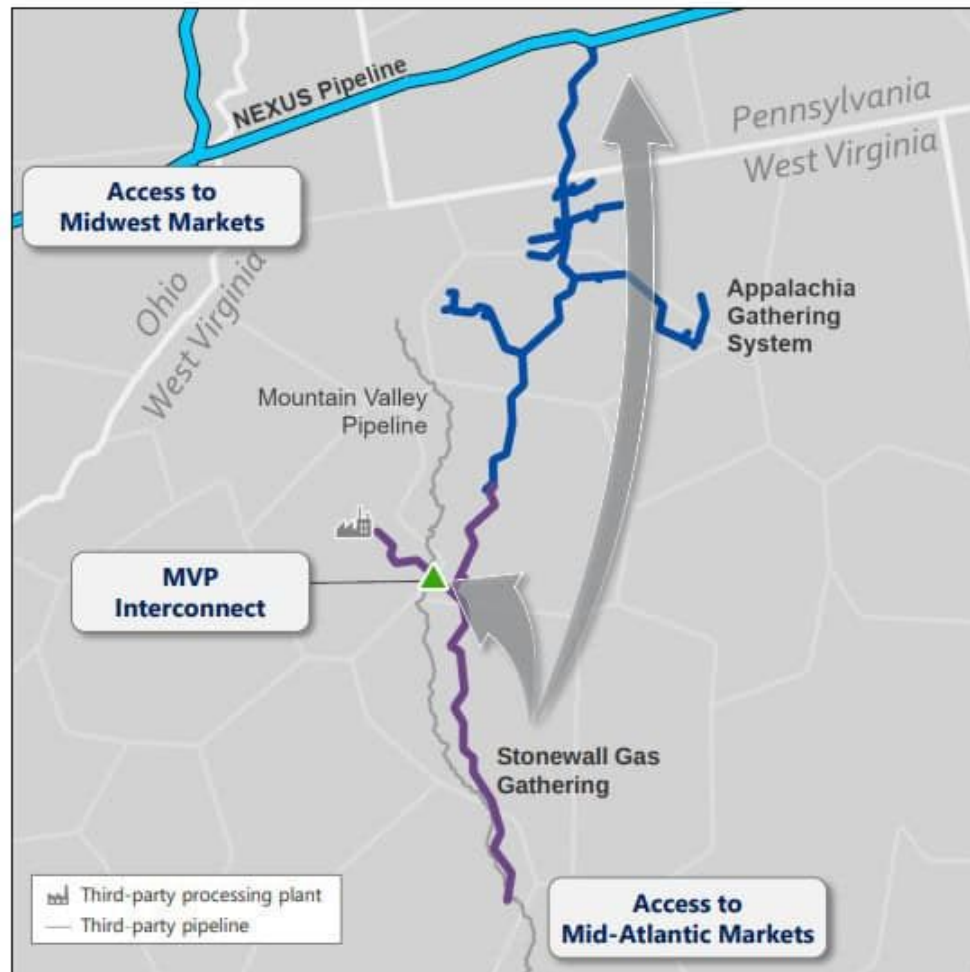
- 20 miles of 20" pipe from Greene County, PA to Monongalia County, WV
- Will deliver gas to 1,200MW combined cycle power plant in Monongalia County
- Will deliver gas to a local distribution company that will deliver gas to heat homes and power local businesses

PENNSYLVANIA & WEST VIRGINIA FACILITY UPGRADES & ADDITIONS



MVP Interconnect

Expansion increases interconnect capacity and access to growing Mid-Atlantic market



New agreement expanding Mountain Valley Pipeline (MVP) interconnect

- Increases outlet capacity on Stonewall by 100 MMcf/d
 - Expected to be in-service 1H 2026

Strong commercial structure with new customer

- Anchored by a long-term contract with a large privately held producer
- Demand-based contract protects project economics

Vertical Integration in Appalachia

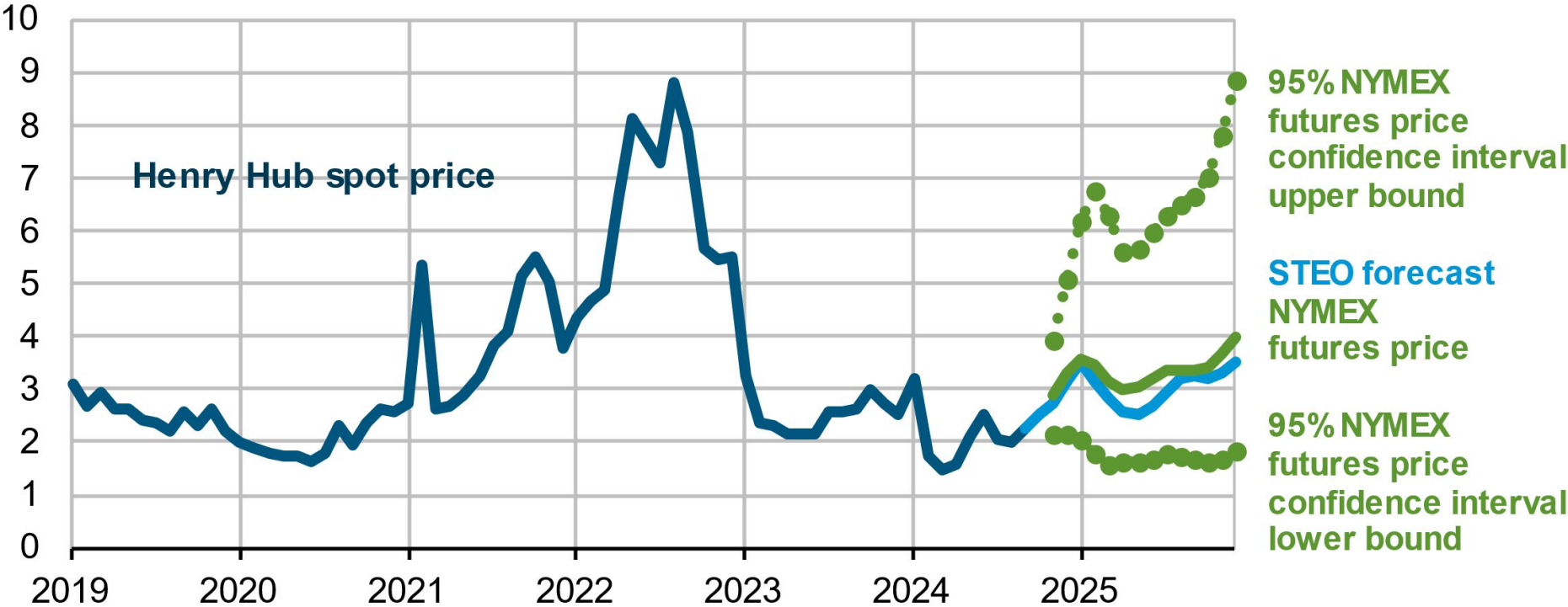
- EQT Merger with Equitrans Midstream Corporation (July 2024)
- EQT acquisition of THQ-XcL Midstream (Effective July 2022)
- Antero Acquisition of the Mountaineer Midstream Partners LP (Summit Midstream Partners LP) for \$70M (May 2024)
- Various other companies own and operate some combination of midstream and upstream assets
- Will this be a continuing trend to reduce costs and build efficiency and resiliency in times of low commodity prices?

Pricing Expectations



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Henry Hub natural gas price and NYMEX confidence intervals
dollars per million British thermal units

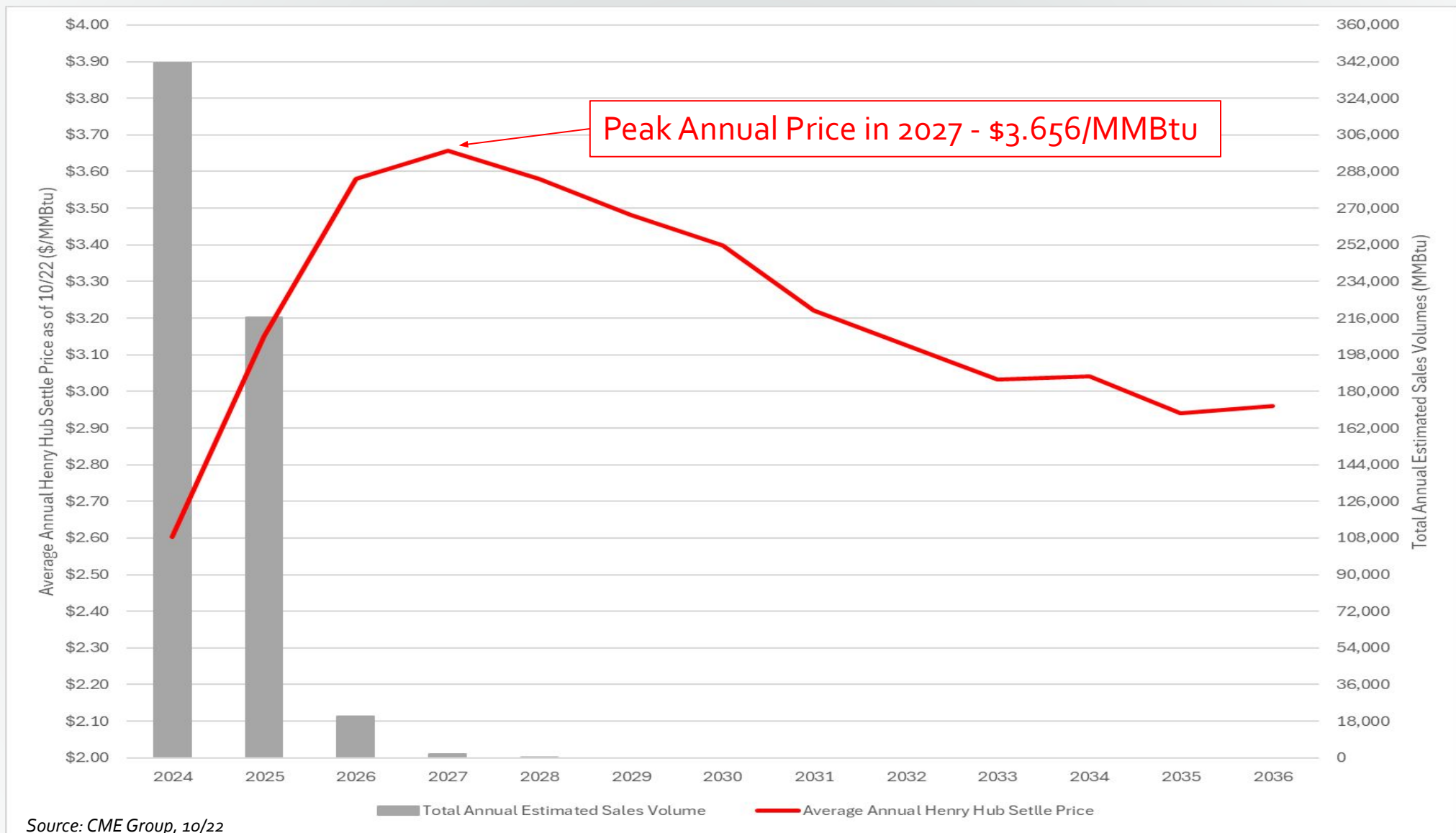


Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, ShortTerm Energy Outlook, October 2024, CME Group, and Refinitiv an LSEG Business

Note: Confidence interval derived from options market information for the five trading days ending October 3, 2024. Intervals not calculated for months with sparse trading in near-the-money options contracts.



Natural Gas Futures Settlements Prices



First of Month Benchmark Prices

Per SEC Regulations

2023	\$/MMBtu				\$/bbl			
	HENRY HUB LOUISIANA	APPALACHIA			WEST TEXAS INTERMEDIATE CUSHING, OK	ERGON CRUDE		
		EASTERN GAS SOUTH**	COLUMBIA GAS	TEXAS EASTERN M-2		OH, PA, NY TIER 1	WV TIER 1	MARCELLUS - UTICA CONDENSATE
January 1	\$3.550	\$2.285	\$2.515	\$2.180	\$80.26	\$79.26	\$79.26	\$63.26
February 1	\$2.675	\$2.530	\$2.535	\$2.620	\$76.41	\$75.41	\$75.41	\$59.41
March 1	\$2.510	\$2.150	\$2.130	\$2.160	\$77.69	\$76.69	\$76.69	\$60.69
April 1	\$2.095	\$1.790	\$1.870	\$1.765	\$75.67	\$74.67	\$74.67	\$58.67
May 1	\$2.280	\$1.715	\$1.930	\$1.710	\$75.66	\$74.66	\$74.66	\$58.66
June 1	\$2.100	\$1.415	\$1.640	\$1.360	\$70.10	\$69.10	\$69.10	\$53.10
July 1	\$2.515	\$1.270	\$1.660	\$1.275	\$70.64	\$69.64	\$69.64	\$53.64
August 1	\$2.570	\$1.145	\$1.285	\$1.135	\$81.37	\$80.37	\$80.37	\$62.37
September 1	\$2.565	\$1.350	\$1.365	\$1.350	\$85.55	\$84.55	\$84.55	\$66.55
October 1	\$2.695	\$0.910	\$0.965	\$0.730	\$90.79	\$89.79	\$89.79	\$71.79
November 1	\$3.320	\$2.165	\$2.190	\$2.135	\$80.44	\$79.44	\$79.44	\$61.44
December 1	\$2.765	\$2.065	\$2.135	\$1.985	\$74.07	\$73.07	\$73.07	\$55.07
1ST DAY OF MONTH AVERAGE 2023	\$2.637	\$1.733	\$1.852	\$1.700	\$78.22	\$77.22	\$77.22	\$60.39

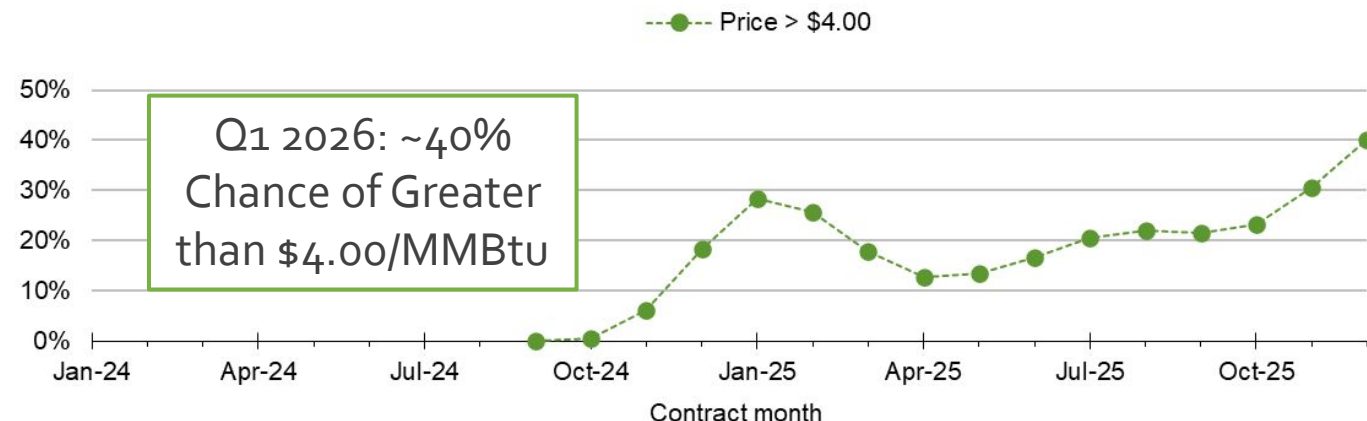
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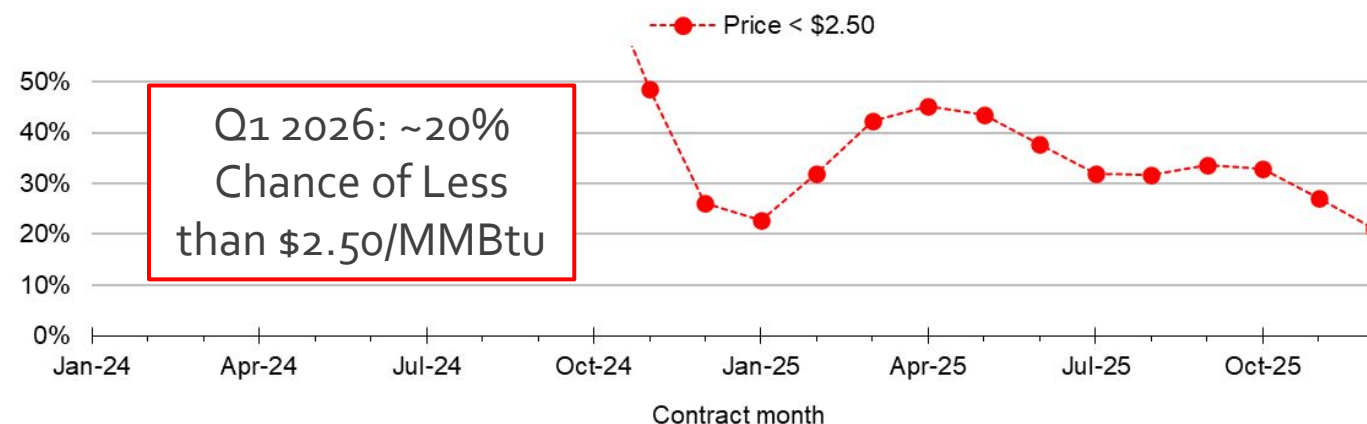
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		EASTERN GAS SOUTH**	COLUMBIA GAS			OH, PA, NY TIER 1	WV TIER 1	MARCELLUS - UTICA CONDENSATE
January 1	\$ 2.560	\$ 1.800	\$ 1.980	\$ 1.890	\$ 71.65	\$ 70.65	\$ 70.65	\$ 52.65
February 1	\$ 2.230	\$ 1.580	\$ 1.690	\$ 1.650	\$ 73.82	\$ 72.82	\$ 72.82	\$ 54.82
March 1	\$ 1.660	\$ 1.375	\$ 1.370	\$ 1.370	\$ 79.97	\$ 78.97	\$ 78.97	\$ 60.97
April 1	\$ 1.560	\$ 1.355	\$ 1.380	\$ 1.350	\$ 83.71	\$ 82.71	\$ 82.71	\$ 64.71
May 1	\$ 1.680	\$ 1.425	\$ 1.460	\$ 1.315	\$ 79.00	\$ 78.00	\$ 78.00	\$ 60.00
June 1	\$ 1.770	\$ 1.125	\$ 1.170	\$ 1.045	\$ 76.99	\$ 75.99	\$ 75.99	\$ 57.99
July 1	\$ 2.390	\$ 1.405	\$ 1.750	\$ 1.380	\$ 83.38	\$ 82.38	\$ 82.38	\$ 64.38
August 1	\$ 1.930	\$ 1.470	\$ 1.570	\$ 1.525	\$ 76.31	\$ 75.31	\$ 75.31	\$ 57.31
September 1	\$ 1.910	\$ 1.435	\$ 1.470	\$ 1.430	\$ 73.55	\$ 72.55	\$ 72.55	\$ 54.55
October 1	\$ 2.655	\$ 1.335	\$ 1.400	\$ 1.320	\$ 69.83	\$ 68.83	\$ 68.83	\$ 50.83
November 1	\$ 1.870	\$ 1.480	\$ 1.525	\$ 1.450	\$ 69.49	\$ 68.49	\$ 68.49	\$ 50.49
December 1								
1ST DAY OF MONTH AVERAGE 2024	\$ 2.020	\$ 1.435	\$ 1.524	\$ 1.430	\$ 76.15	\$ 75.15	\$ 75.15	\$ 57.15
TWELVE-MONTH RUNNING AVERAGE	\$ 2.082	\$ 1.488	\$ 1.575	\$ 1.476	\$ 75.98	\$ 74.98	\$ 74.98	\$ 56.98

What Are The Odds?

Probability of Henry Hub spot price exceeding certain levels



Probability of Henry Hub spot price falling below certain levels

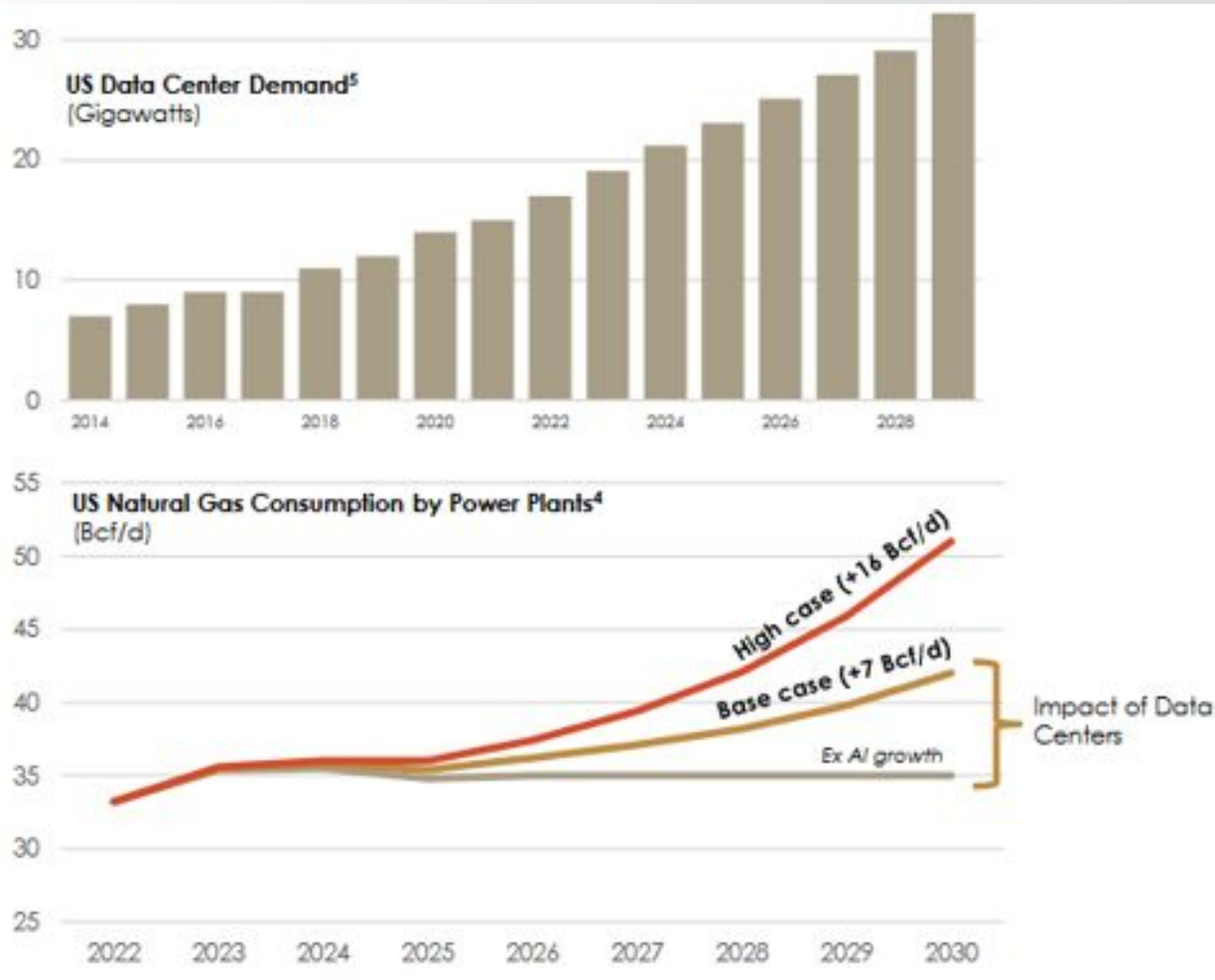


Notes: Probability values calculated using NYMEX market data for the five trading days ending August 1, 2024.

Values not calculated for months with little trading in "close-to-the-money" options contracts.

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What's Going To Bring Prices Up?



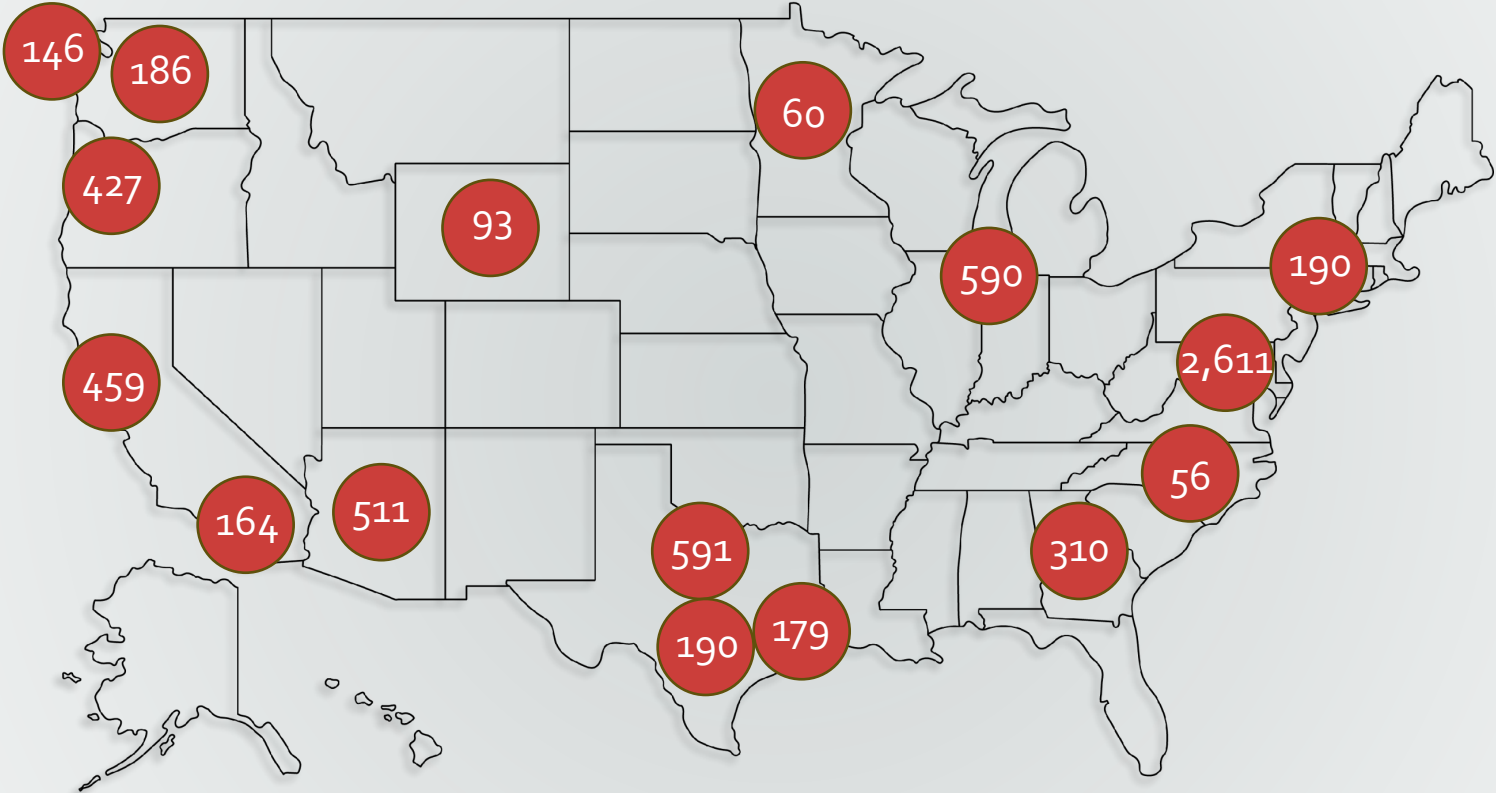
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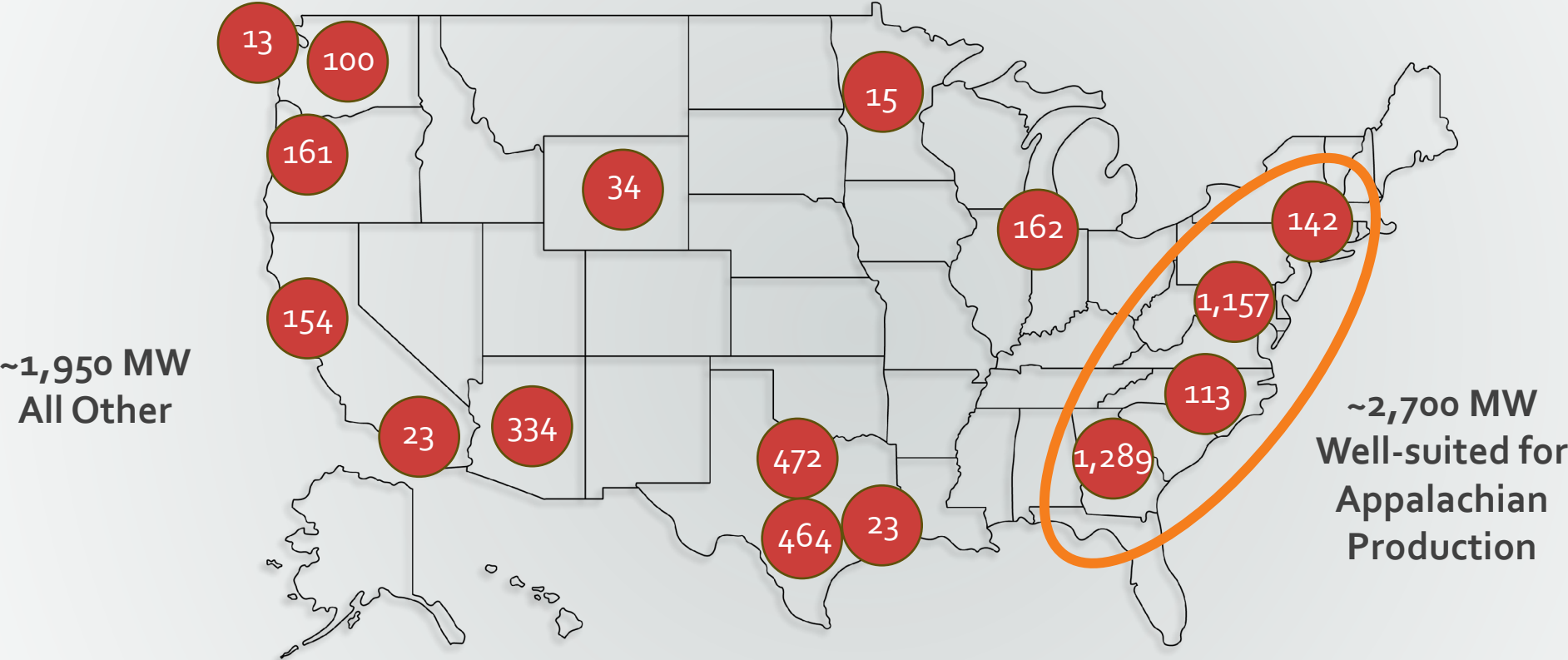
Largest Data Center Locations

Current Inventory (Megawatts)



Largest Data Center Locations

Under Construction Inventory (Megawatts)



Conclusions



- Only 20 years – Anniversary of Renz #1



- Almost 20,000 wells drilled, billions of revenue generated, countless jobs created

- Under any scenario, oil and natural gas remain essential for global growth and prosperity
- The Appalachian shale gas accumulation is the one of the largest in the world
- The economic benefits of the MVP highlight the need to increase development of natural gas pipelines across the U.S.
- LNG exports and data centers will be significant drivers for demand, increasing gas prices
- Wright is bullish for \$4.00 gas price in 2026
- Energy companies will solve the worldwide energy demand

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