

# Fertilizer's Future: Nutrient Stewardship


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# TFI: The Voice of the Fertilizer Industry

- Core Purpose

***“We represent, promote and advance the plant nutrition industry”***

- Vision

**“We are committed to safe, secure, and sustainable production, distribution, and use of plant nutrition”**

# Strategic Plan

Adopted, Sept. 2019

## ENVIRONMENT

### Goal

TFI defines, evaluates and promotes sustainable plant nutrition leading to a reduced environmental footprint for plant nutrient production and use.

## INDUSTRY COMMITMENT

### Goal

TFI members are committed to TFI's strategic vision.

## POLICY AND REGULATION

### Goal

Develop and promote legislative and regulatory outcomes that support the plant nutrition industry.

# Economic Impact

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# National Impact

 **\$155B**

**ECONOMIC IMPACT**

This includes the direct contribution, supplier contribution and downstream positive impact of the fertilizer industry on the U.S. economy.

## GRAND TOTALS

The fertilizer industry helps U.S. farmers grow **\$419 billion** dollars worth of nutritious food in a sustainable manner. We are a positive economic force in communities small and large.



*The*  
**Fertilizer  
Institute**

  
**495K**

**JOBS**

  
**\$36B**

**WAGES**

# Wisconsin Impact



## **\$2.17 billion Economic Impact for Wisconsin**

This includes the direct contribution, supplier contribution and downstream positive impact of the fertilizer industry on the state economy.



## **Grand Totals for Wisconsin**

The fertilizer industry is an important part of the economy in Wisconsin.



**9,190 Jobs**



**\$590.37 million Wages**

# Current Market Conditions

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# What Drives the Fertilizer Market?

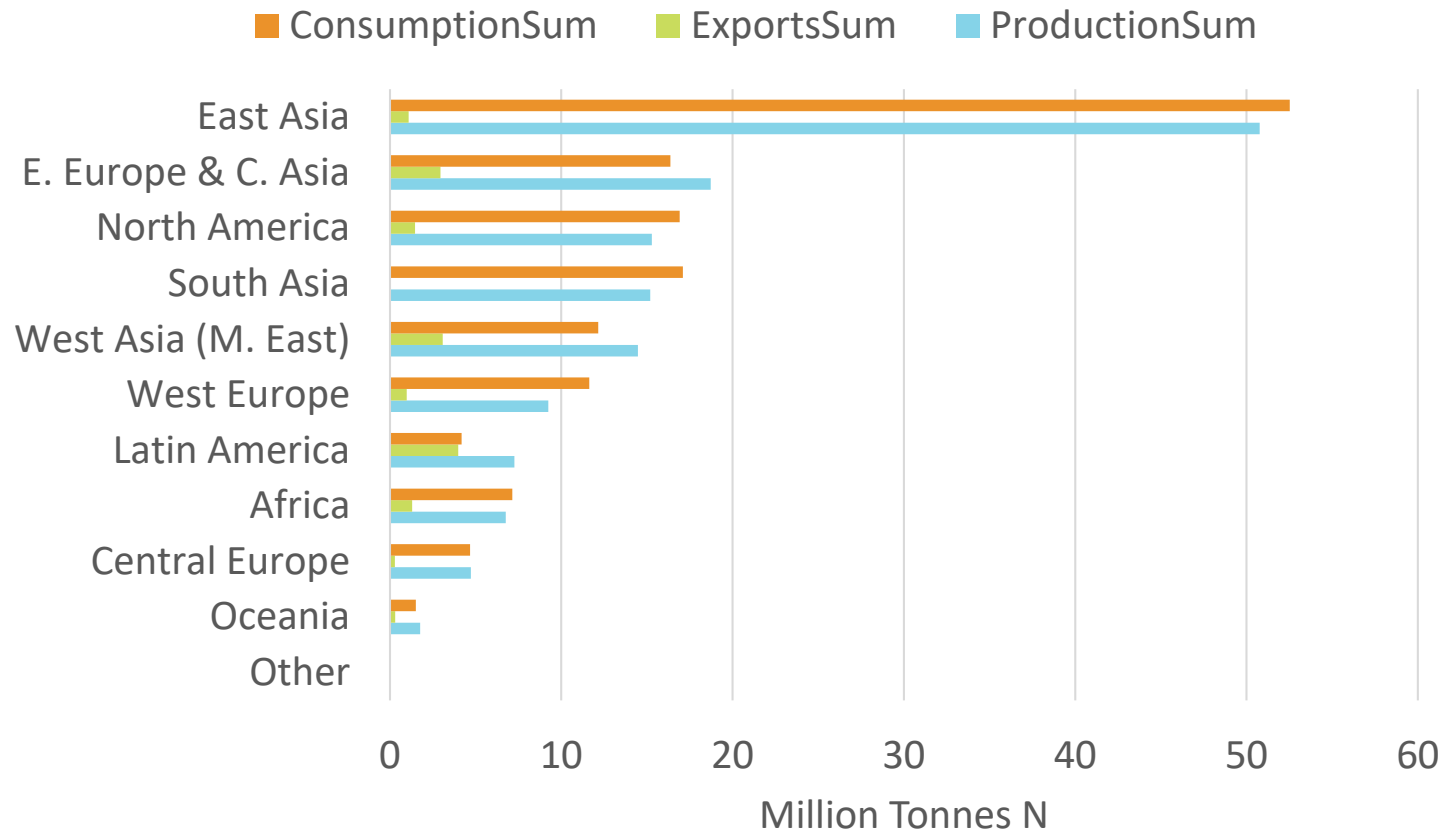
## Demand

- Fertilizer Prices
- Expected “Crop” Prices
- Farm Income
- Weather
- Taxes
- Regulations
- Interest Rates
- Value of the U.S. \$ (exports)
- Buyer Psychology
- Subsidies (international)
- Import Tariffs (international)

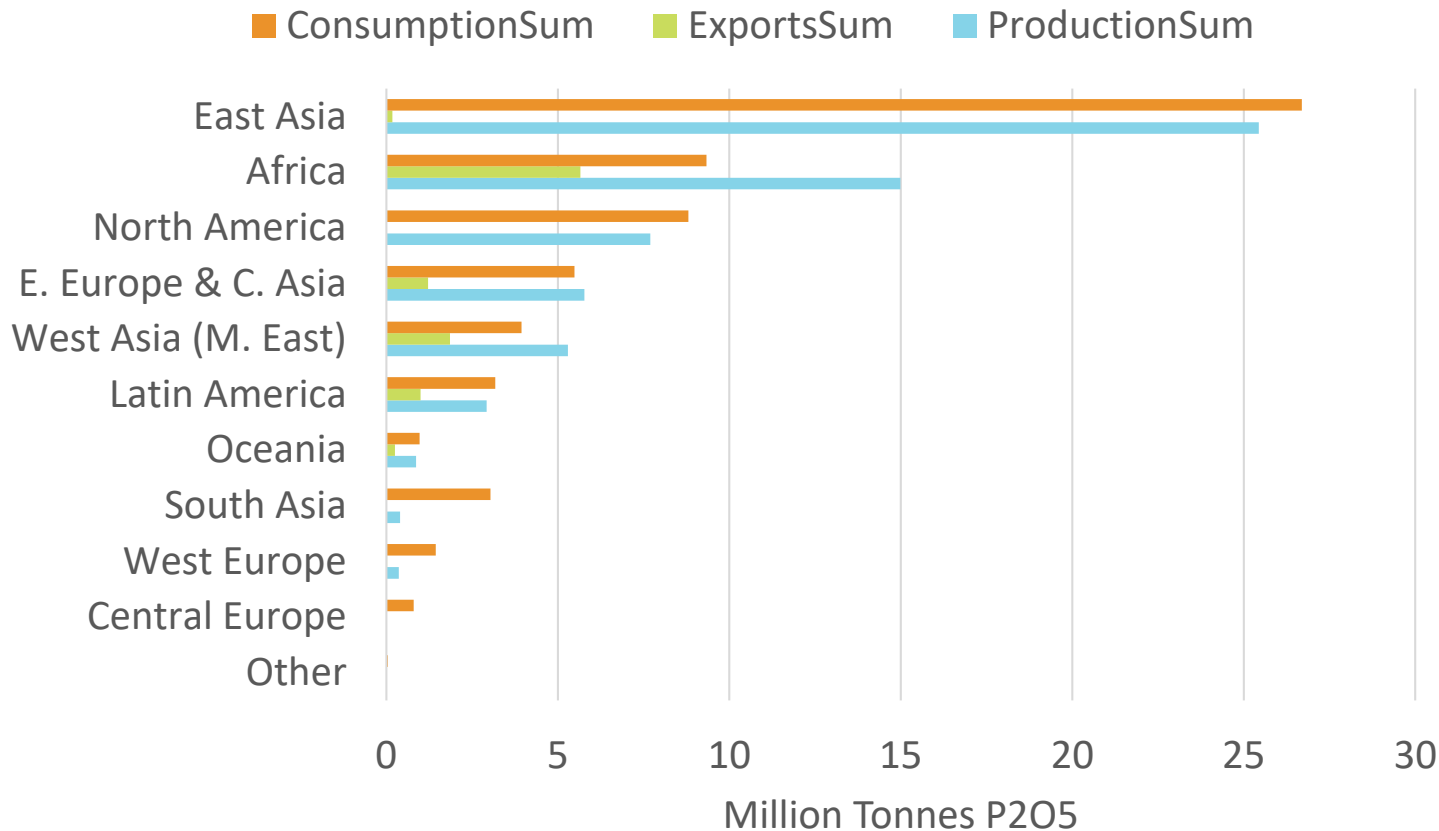
## Supply

- Fertilizer Prices
- Input (Production) Costs
- Weather (Natural Disasters)
- Transportation Costs
- Value of the U.S. \$ (imports)
- New Investment Costs:
  - › Return on Investment (ROI)
  - › Regulations (permits)
  - › Interest Rates
- Subsidies (international)
- Export Tariffs/curbs

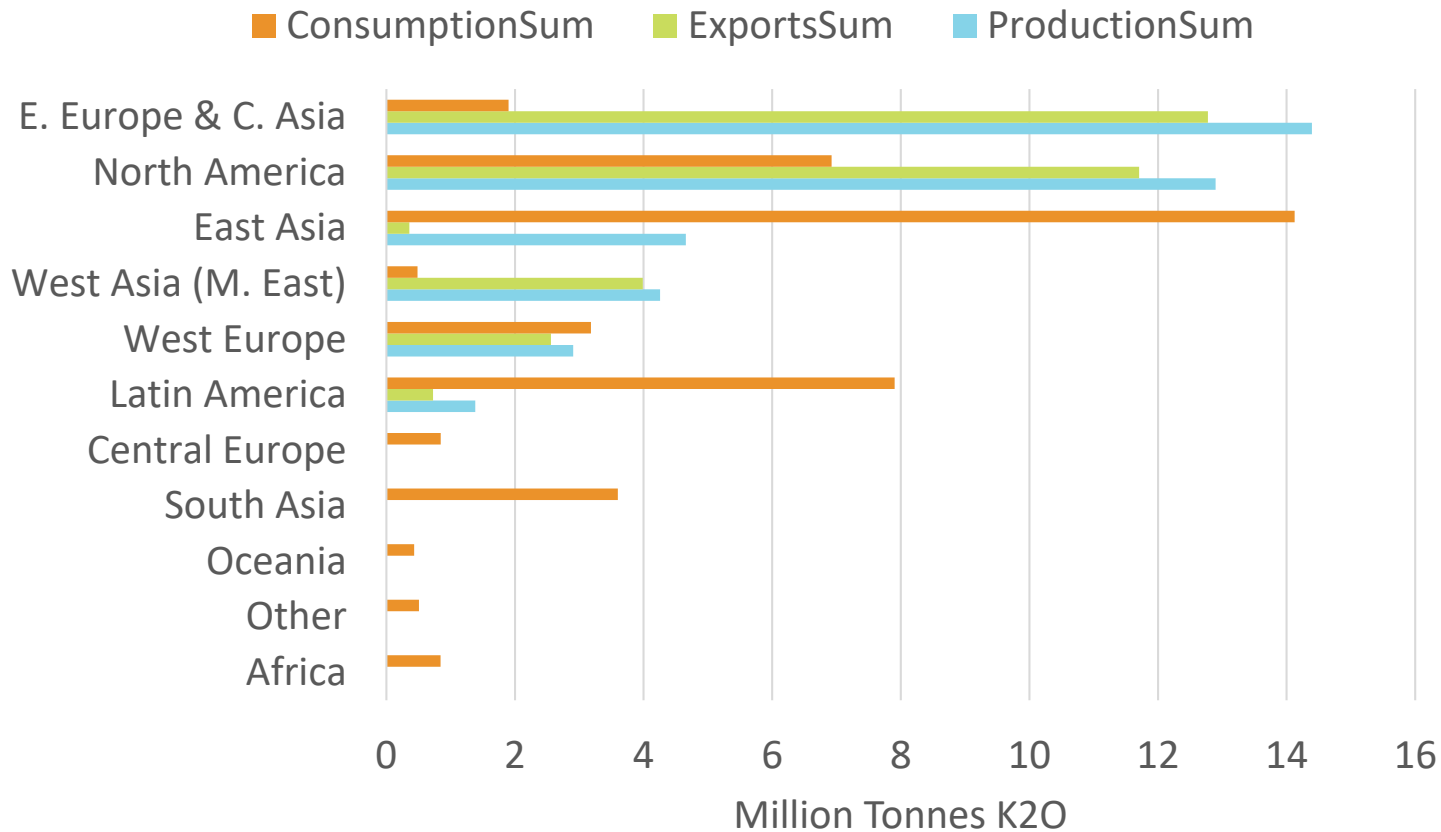
# Ammonia Supply/Demand



# Phosphate Rock Supply/Demand



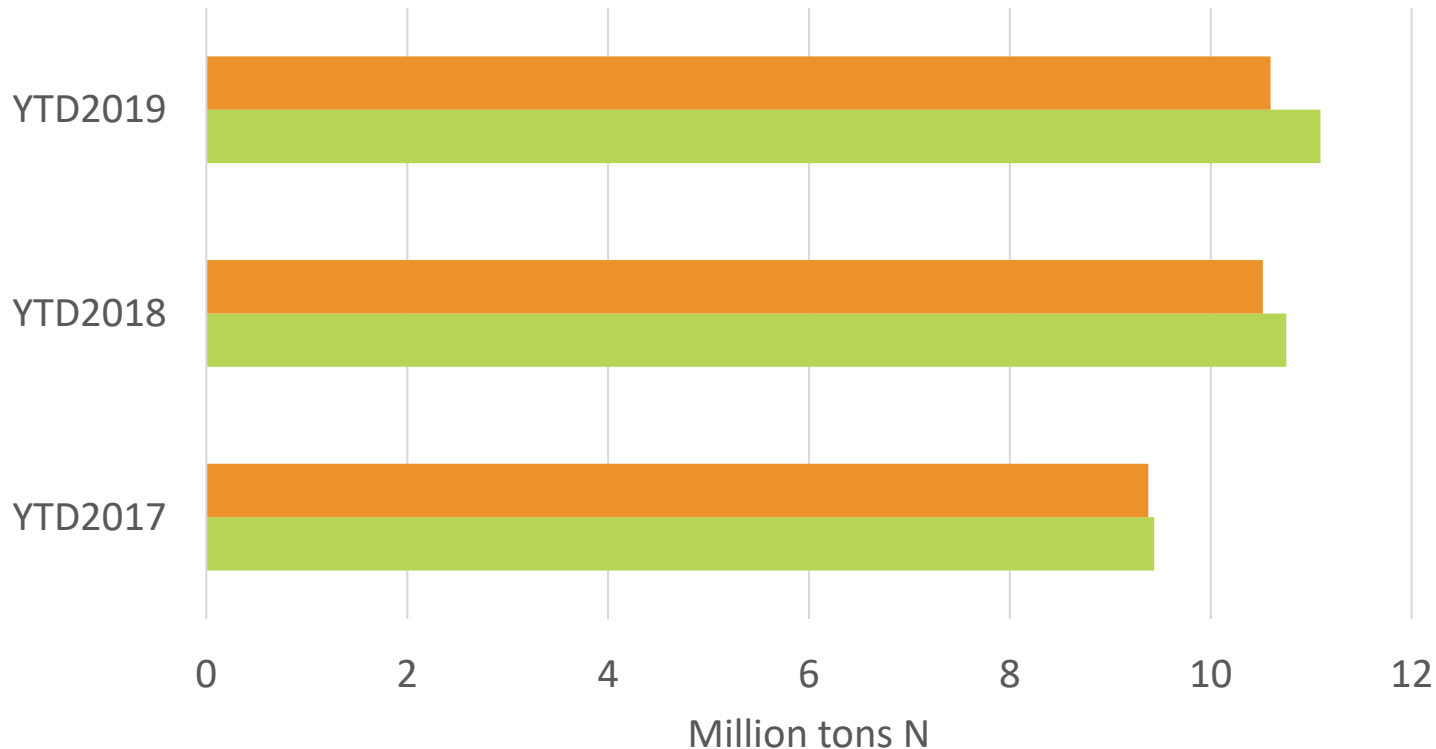
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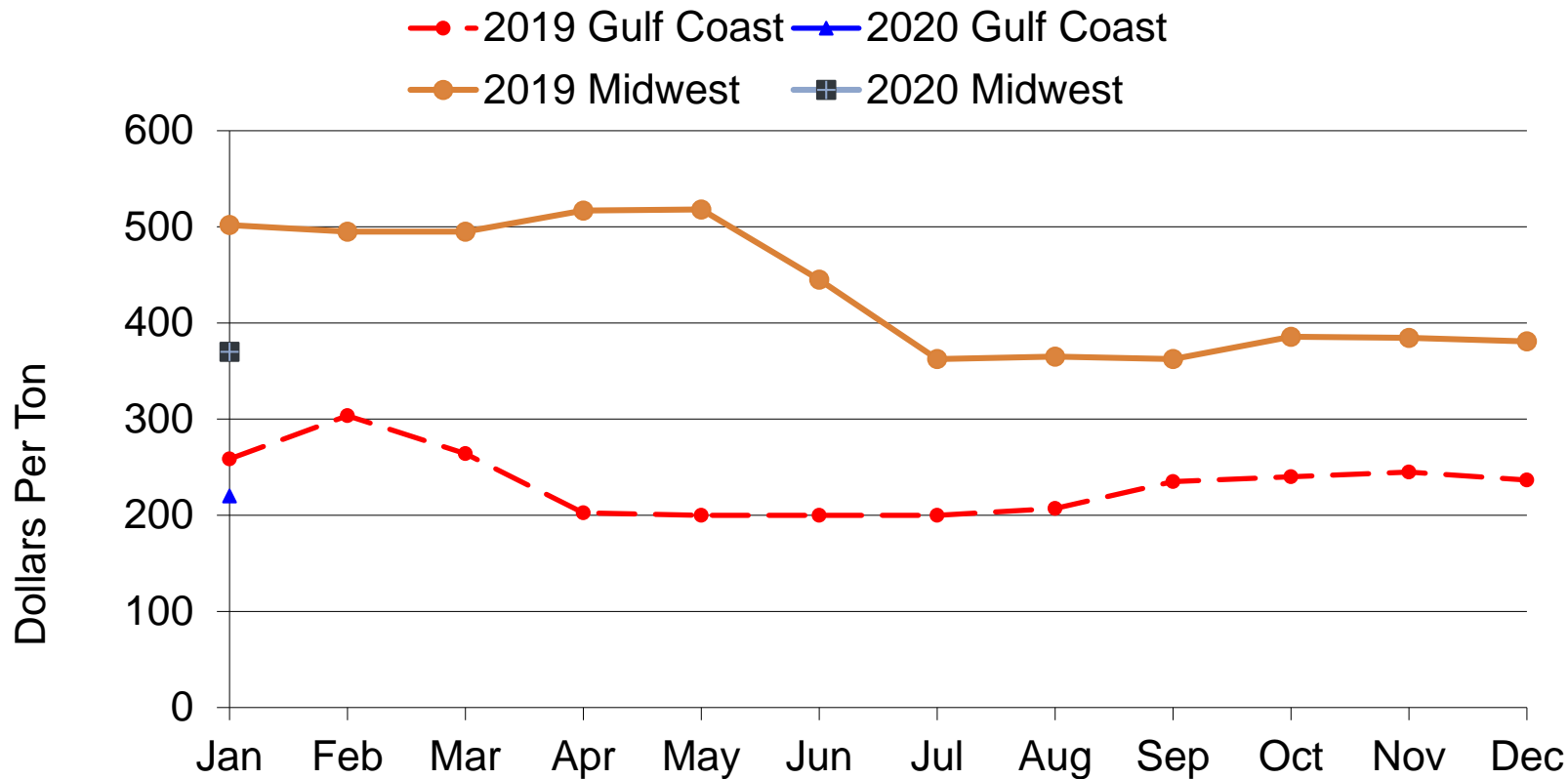
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January - September

Disappearance Production



# U.S. Ammonia Prices Gulf Coast & Midwest

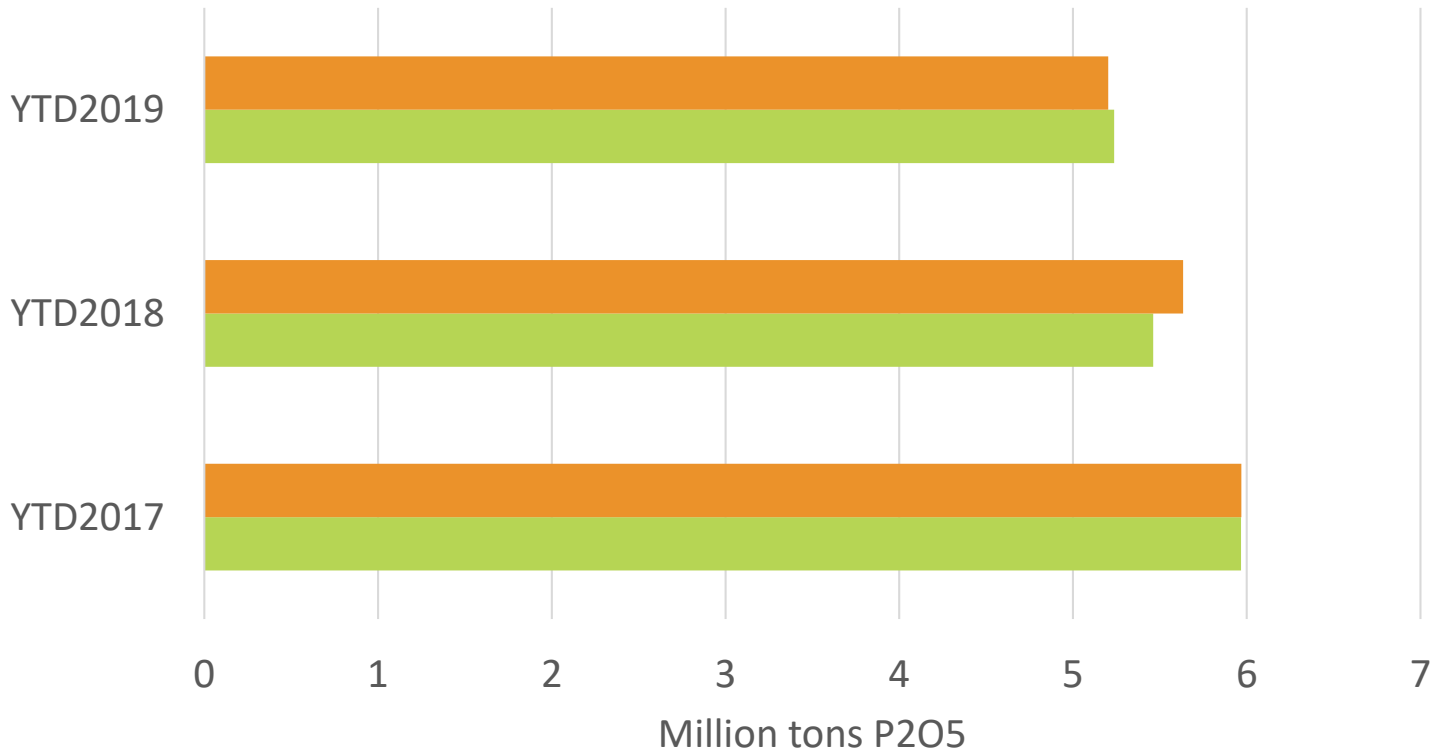


Source: Green Markets

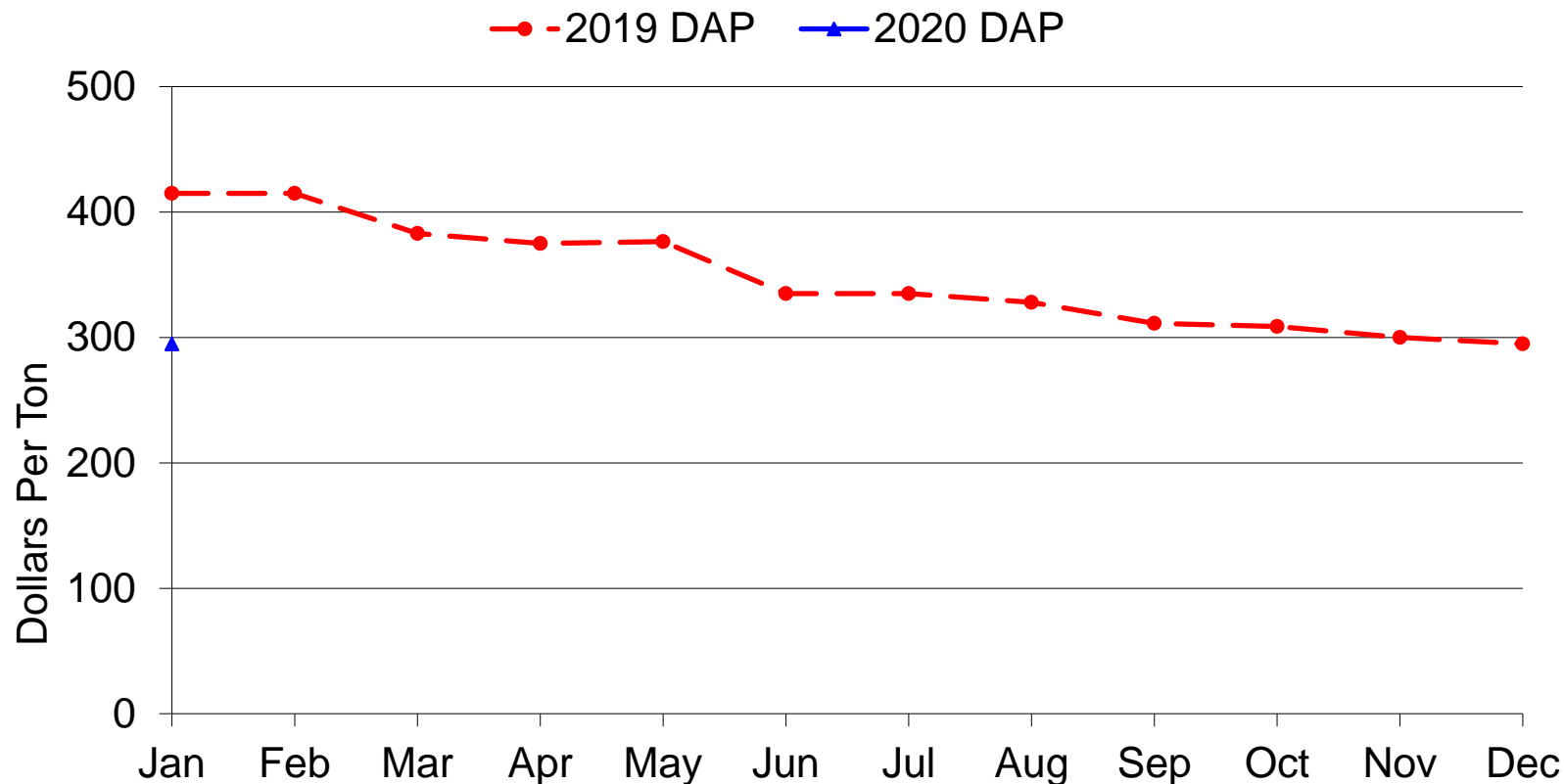
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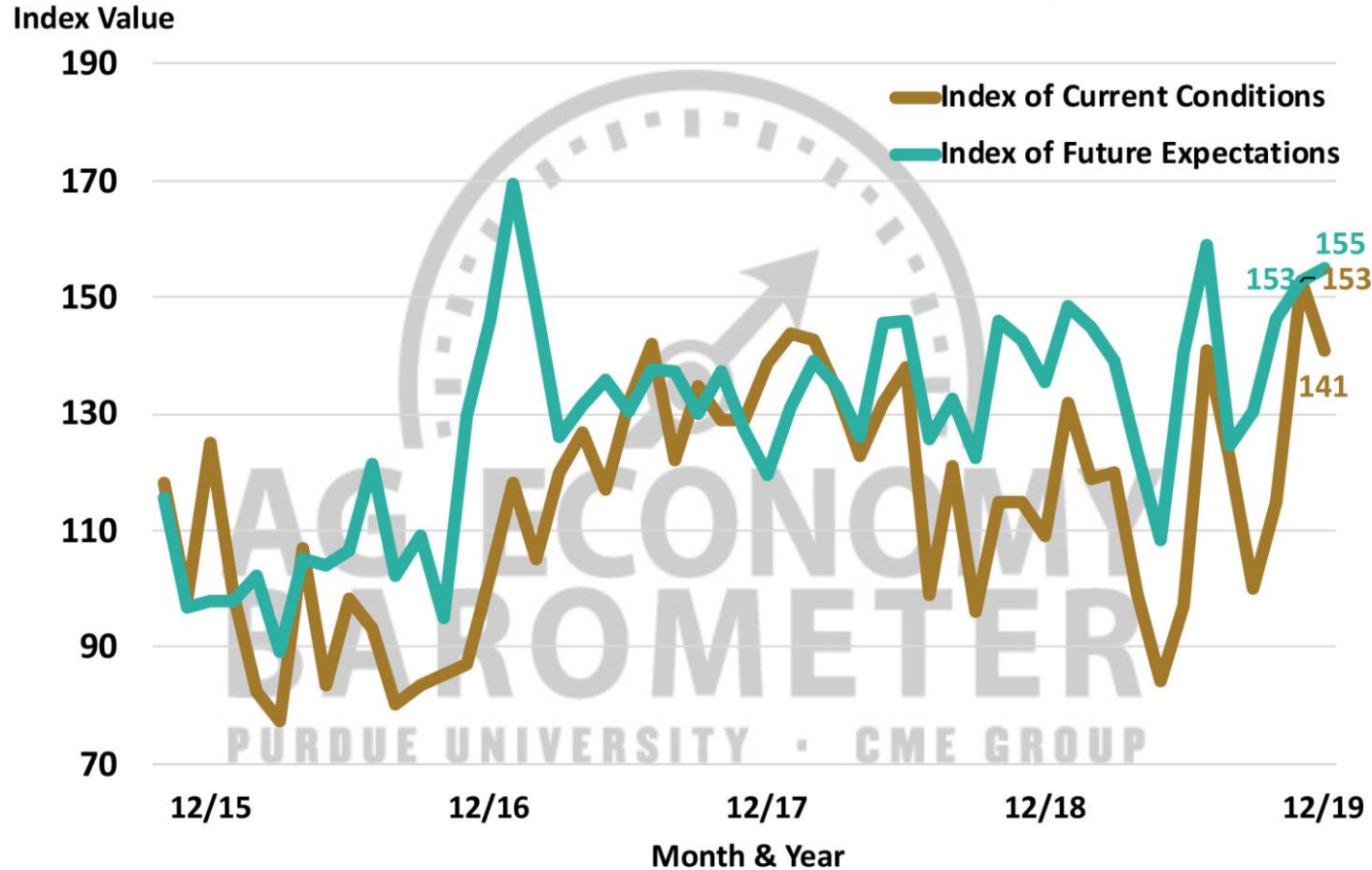
# U.S. DAP f.o.b. Tampa (Domestic)



Source: Green Markets



## Indices of Current Conditions and Future Expectations



Source: Purdue University Center for Commercial Agriculture, Producer Survey, December 2019

# U.S. Corn – Balance Sheet

Corn	2017/18	2018/19 Est.	2019/20 Proj. Dec	2019/20 Proj. Jan
Planting Acres	90.2	88.9	89.9	89.7
Yield	176.6	176.4	167	168
Beg. Stocks	2293	2140	2114	2221
+Production	14,609	14,340	15,825	15,962
-Domestic Use	12,361	12,223	12,065	12,295
-Exports	2,438	2,065	1,850	1,775
Ending Stocks	2,140	2,221	1,910	1,892
Avg. Farm Price	3.36	3.61	3.85	3.85

# Why Stewardship?

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# It's A Priority

Better crop performance, improved soil health, and cleaner air and water.



## RIGHT SOURCE

Matches fertilizer type to crop needs.



## RIGHT RATE

Matches amount of fertilizer to crop needs.



## RIGHT TIME

Makes nutrients available when crops need them.



## RIGHT PLACE

Keeps nutrients where crops can use them.

# What is 4R Nutrient Stewardship?

- **Actively considering all management practices and site specific characteristics when making the right source, right rate, right time, and right place nutrient management decisions**





# It's A Priority – Why?

Nutrient Use Efficiency

Sustainability

Climate Smart Ag

Soil Health

Water Quality

Water Pollution

Air Quality

Nutrient Loss

Regulation

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**Reduce GHG emissions across value chain by 25% by 2020**



**Halve GHG impact of products across the lifecycle by 2020**



**Fertilizer optimization on 14 M acres of U.S. farmland by 2020**



**Responsibly source top 10 ingredients & materials by 2020**

# 4R Economics

- **Case Studies to showcase ROI**
- **6 Complete - 18 Complete by End of Feb.**





# Partnering in Wisconsin



- **Discovery Farm Program**
- **12 Case Studies – Spring 2020**

# 4R Advocates



- **Brian Herbeck, Deweese, NE**  
**Bill Nejezchleb, Fairfield Non Stock Coop, Fairfield, NE**
- **Danny Basham, Madisonville, KY**  
**Phillip Osborn, Nutrien Ag Solutions, KY**
- **Dustin Grooms, Plant City, FL**  
**Jerrod Parker, Chemical Dynamics, INC, FL**
- **Jonathan Quinn, Warwick, MD**  
**Kenny Glenn, Southern States Cooperative, INC, DE**
- **Michael Ganschow, IL**  
**Malcolm Stambaugh, Growmark FS, IL**

- **2020 Advocates – COMING SOON**

# Non-irrigated Corn-Soybean – Eastern US

Practice Level	Right Source	Right Rate	Right Time	Right Place
<b>Basic -</b> adopted by approximately 50% of growers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guaranteed or book value for all sources applied</li> <li>Urea, UAN, Anhydrous Ammonia, Manure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rate based on evidence recognized by regional soil fertility extension</li> <li>Properly accounting for legume &amp; Manure N</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spring; not on frozen soil</li> <li>Apply manure according to a manure management plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Broadcast and incorporated, injected or subsurface band</li> <li><b>If broadcasted Urea accompanied by an inhibitor</b></li> <li>UAN w/herbicide no more than 40 Lbs</li> </ul>
<b>Intermediate</b> - adopted by approximately 20% of growers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guaranteed or known analysis for all sources applied; <b>with nitrification inhibitor or controlled release if preplant; with urease inhibitor for urea/UAN surface applied sidedress</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rate based on evidence recognized by regional soil fertility extension, including results of local adaptive management research.</li> <li>Manure analysis required to determine rate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some or all applied nitrogen in season or if pre-plant used with <b>NI or polymer coated Urea</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Broadcast and incorporated, injected or subsurface band, <b>surface application only for sidedress urea with UI or dribbled UAN</b></li> </ul>
<b>Advanced -</b> adopted by approximately 5% of growers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guaranteed or known analysis; <b>with nitrification inhibitor or controlled release if preplant; with urease inhibitor for urea/UAN sidedress</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rate based on evidence recognized by regional soil fertility extension, or results of <b>local adaptive management research</b>, AND, in addition, addressing within-field and weather-specific variability using tools such as crop sensors, PSNT, models that allow adjustment of in-season N rates</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some or all N applied in-season</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Broadcast and incorporated, injected or subsurface band, <b>surface application only for sidedress urea with UI or dribbled UAN</b></li> </ul>

No-till corn, VRT P, K, & seeding based on grid sampling & yield	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
	<b>Basic</b>	<b>Basic</b>	<b>Intermed.</b>	<b>Advanced</b>
	<b>Corn</b>	<b>Corn</b>	<b>Corn</b>	<b>Corn</b>
	<b>229 bu/ac</b>	<b>220 bu/ac</b>	<b>245 bu/ac</b>	<b>256 bu/ac</b>
<b>Cost Per Acre</b>	<b>\$ 325.50</b>	<b>\$ 268.40</b>	<b>\$ 281.08</b>	<b>\$ 240.09</b>
<b>4R cost % of income</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>27%</b>
<b>4R Cost per Bushel</b>	<b>\$ 1.42</b>	<b>\$ 1.22</b>	<b>\$ 1.15</b>	<b>\$ 0.94</b>

# On Farm Data – IL Corn

	2014	2015	2016	2017
4R Practice Level	Basic	Basic	Intermediate	Advanced
Corn Grain Yield (bu/ac)	229	220	246	256
N Application Rate (lbs/ac)	253	208	253	204
Nitrogen Use Efficiency (lb N applied/bu corn grain)	1.11	0.95	1.03	0.80
N Balance (lb N applied – lb N harvested)	69.5	31.9	56.6	-1.14
CO <sub>2</sub> e Emissions per bu	9.4	8.43	8.17	6.14
Percent reduction	-	10.3	13.1	34.7

# Future of Fertilizer

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# Sustainability



**516B**

Gallons of water  
recycled in 2017

#FertilizerReport



**2X**

The fertilizer industry  
is twice as safe as our  
chemical industry peers

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**7.5M**

Metric tons of GHGs  
captured and reused  
by the industry – this  
has tripled since 2013

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# Factors Impacting Fertilizer

- **IMF Global Economic Growth 3%**
- **Commodities prices are forecast to rise and favor corn plantings**
- **Fertilizer prices declined in 2019**
- **Capacity growth exceeding demand growth.**



# Nutrient Outlooks

N

P

K

<b>Demand</b>	146.8	47.4	44.3
<b>Supply</b>	157.6	50.4	52.1
(million tonnes)			



# Thank you!

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