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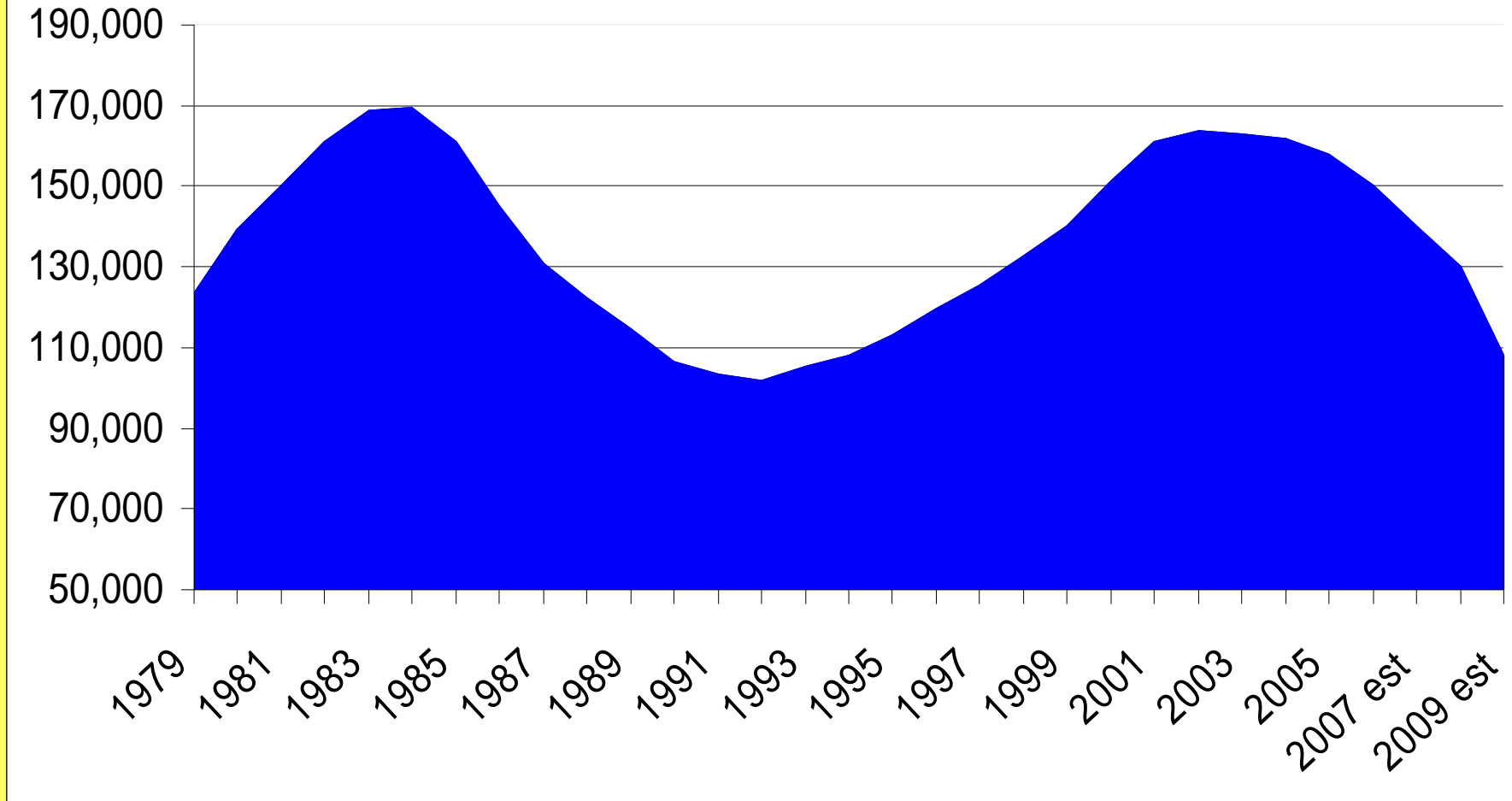
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Registrations by Foaling year 1979 - 2009



SBR's reported by the deadline

Stallion Breeding Reports	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Number of Reports Received	37,441	35,341	31,180	26,430	23,151
Number of Mares Listed	227,938	216,159	186,076	158,849	133,458
Average Mares Bred per Stallion	6.1	6.1	6	6	5.8

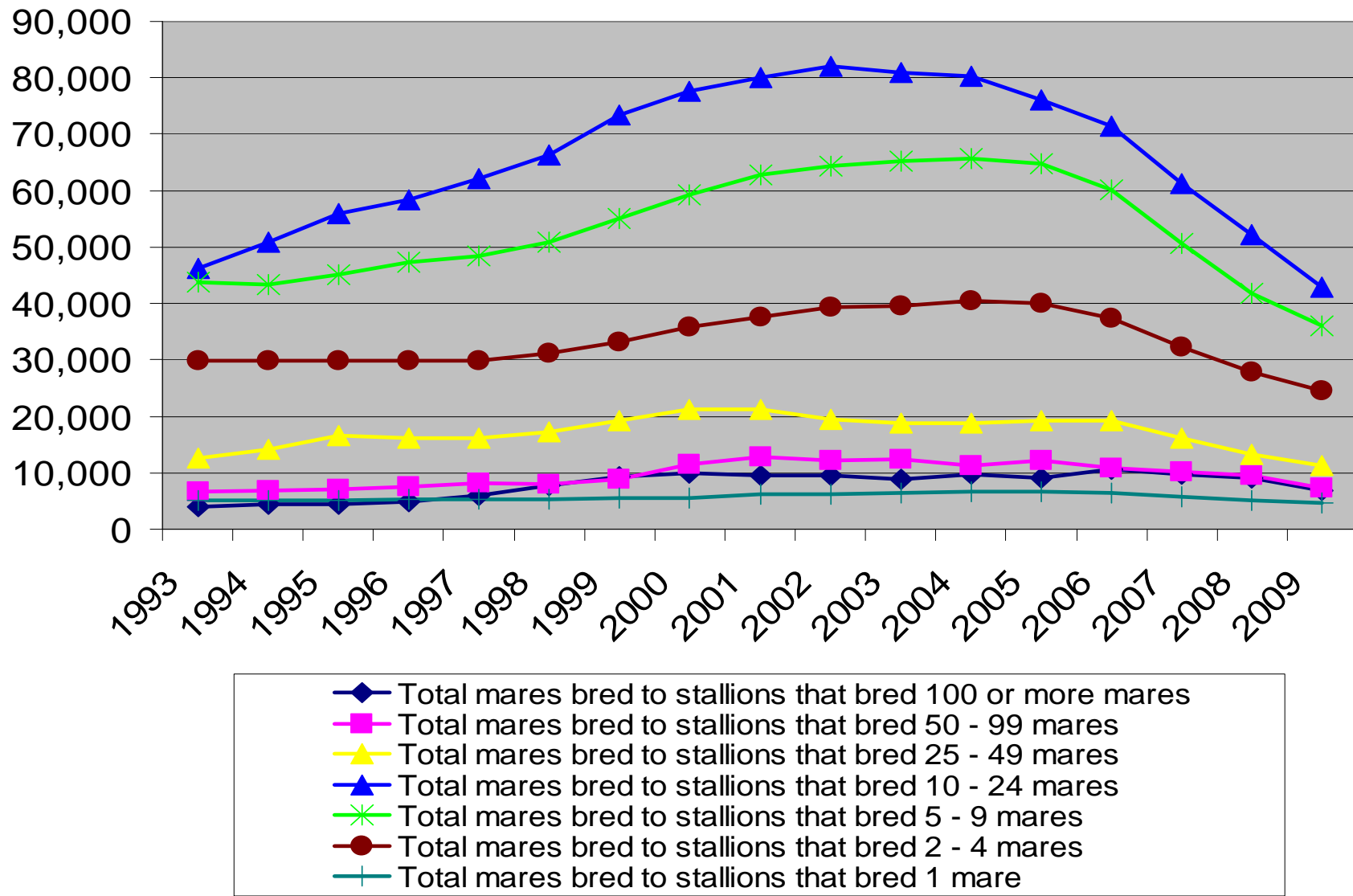
Number of Stallions by Mares Bred

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Stallions that Bred 100 or more Mares	64	77	69	60	51
Stallions that Bred 50 - 99 Mares	177	161	148	139	110
Stallions that Bred 25 - 49 Mares	597	592	500	406	344
Stallions that Bred 10 - 24 Mares	5,430	5,114	4,395	3,763	3,091
Stallions that Bred 5 - 9 Mares	9,840	9,127	7,721	6,323	5,487
Stallions that Bred 2 - 4 Mares	13,994	13,114	11,338	9,832	8,631
Stallions that Bred 1 Mare	6,731	6,478	5,813	5,003	4,585

Stallions breeding 100+ mares

	2007	2008	2009
Racing	36	28	24
Cutting	16	17	15
Reining	7	6	6
Western Pleasure	6	6	5
Barrel Racing	1	1	1
Halter	2	1	0
Roping	1	1	0
	69	60	51
Horses parentage verified	38,263	53,608	46,295
Embryo transfer foals registered	4,069	5,036	4,761
Mares bred by shipped/frozen semen	20,102	18,446	15,379

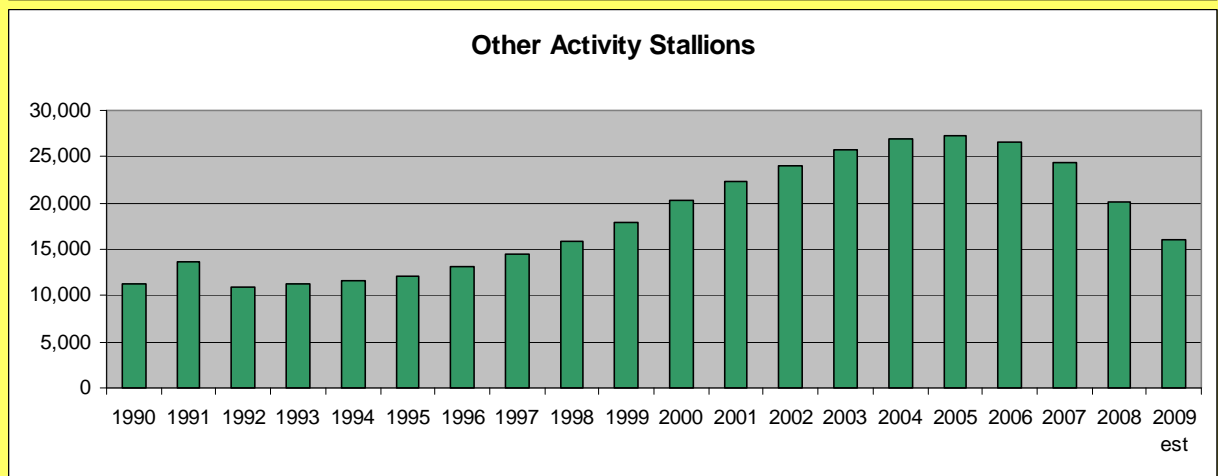
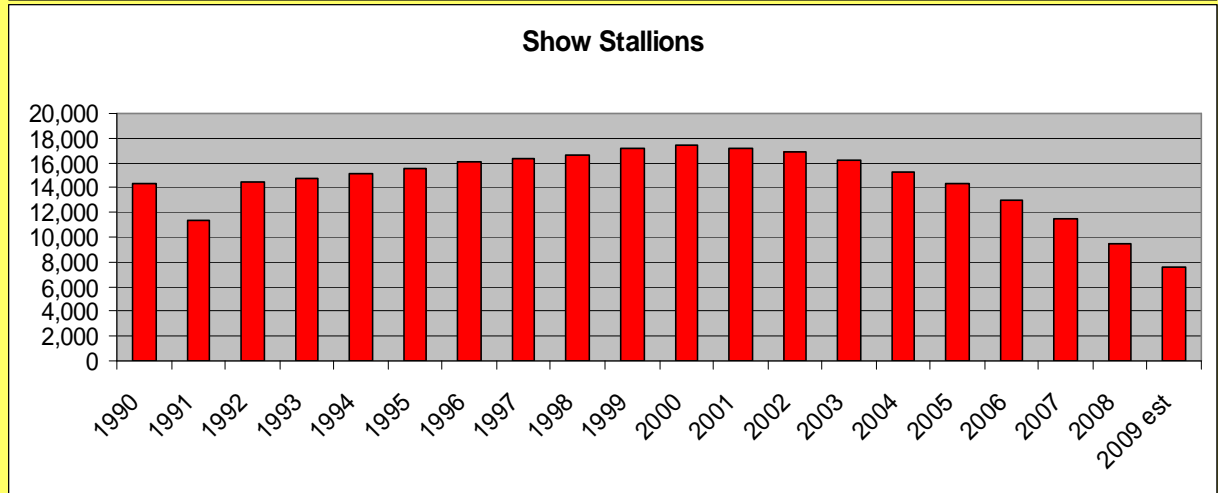
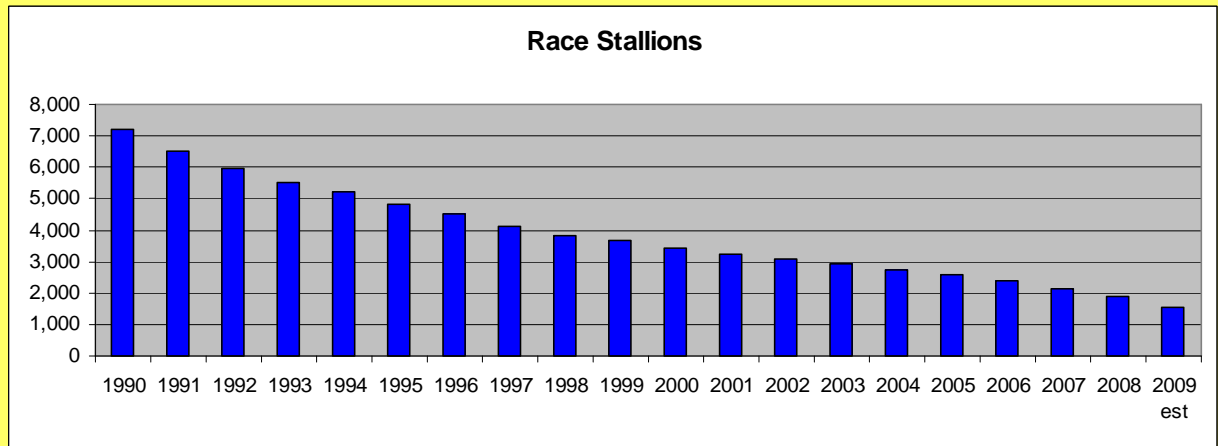
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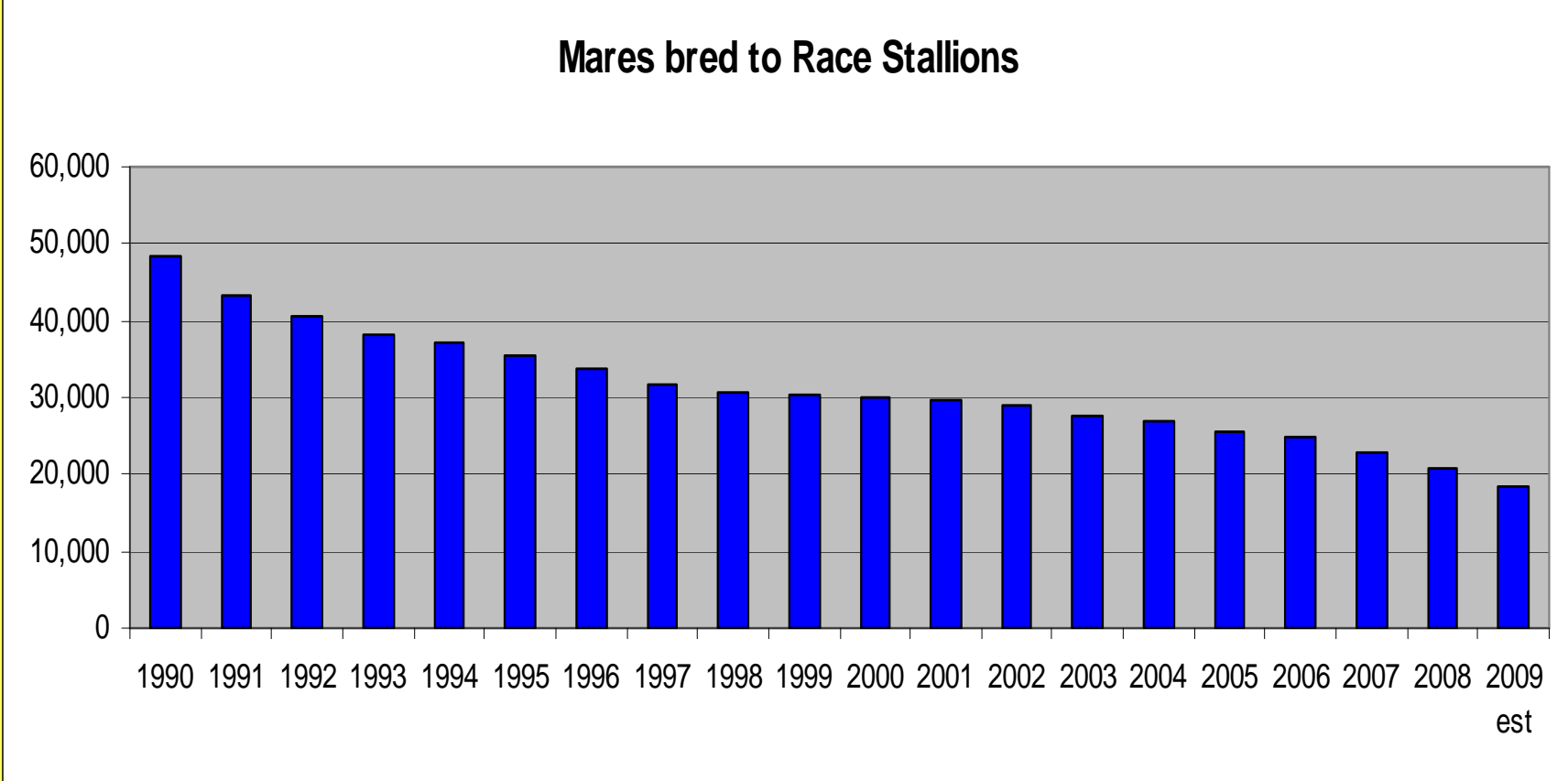
The industry impact of stallions that bred large numbers of mares is a common concern. In 2009, stallions that bred 100 or more mares accounted for 2/10ths of a percent (.2%) of the total number of stallions. The group with the greatest impact, by far was stallions that bred two to four mares, accounting for 37.2 percent of breeding stallions. Stallions that bred no more than 24 mares accounted for 97.8 percent of all breeding stallions. Only 5 percent of total mares bred were crossed with stallions that bred 100 or more mares. Of the mares bred last year, 89.3 percent were bred to a stallion that bred 49 or fewer mares.

Stallions used for Breeding

These charts illustrate mares bred to stallions broken down by general performance category. Race stallions were categorized as stallions that have started a race or sired a starter. Horses that have earned at least one AQHA point or have an offspring that has earned at least one AQHA point are considered show stallions. The remaining stallions were put into the “other activity” group.

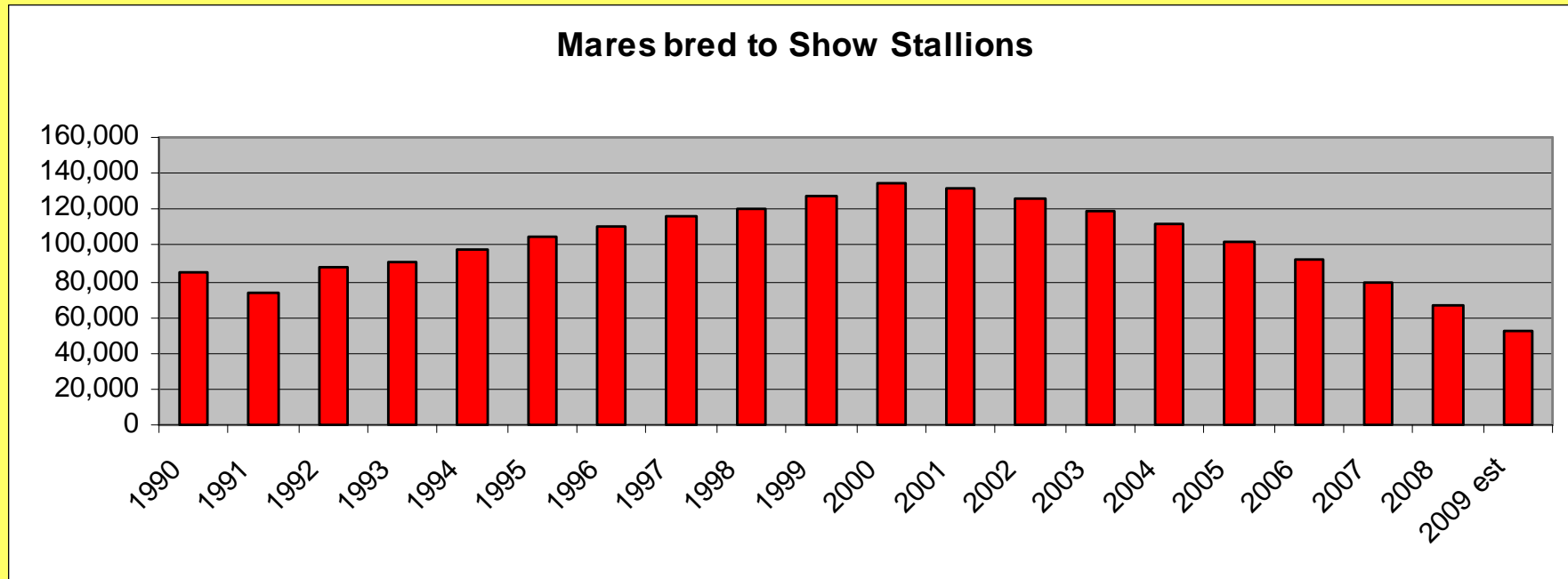


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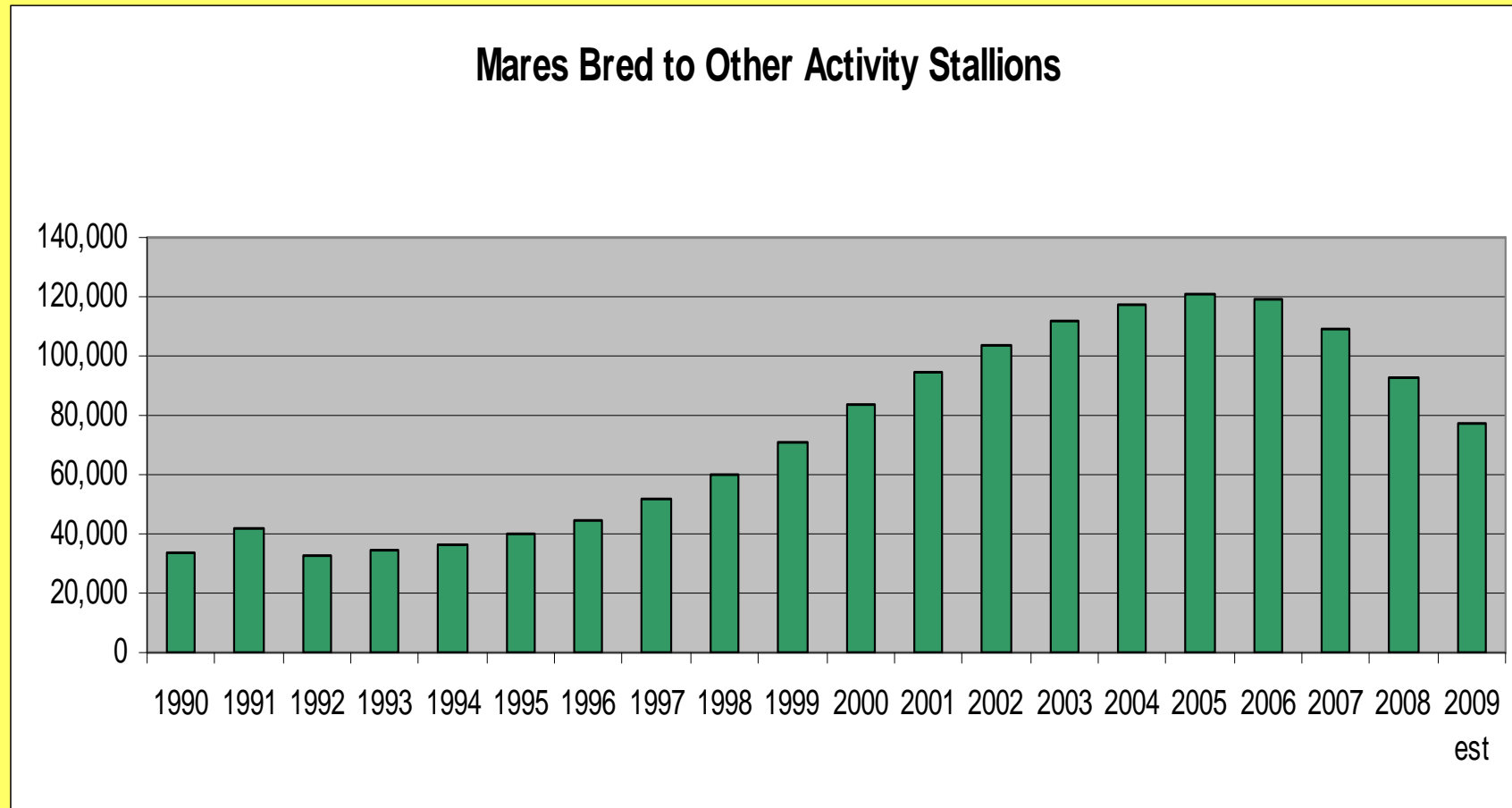
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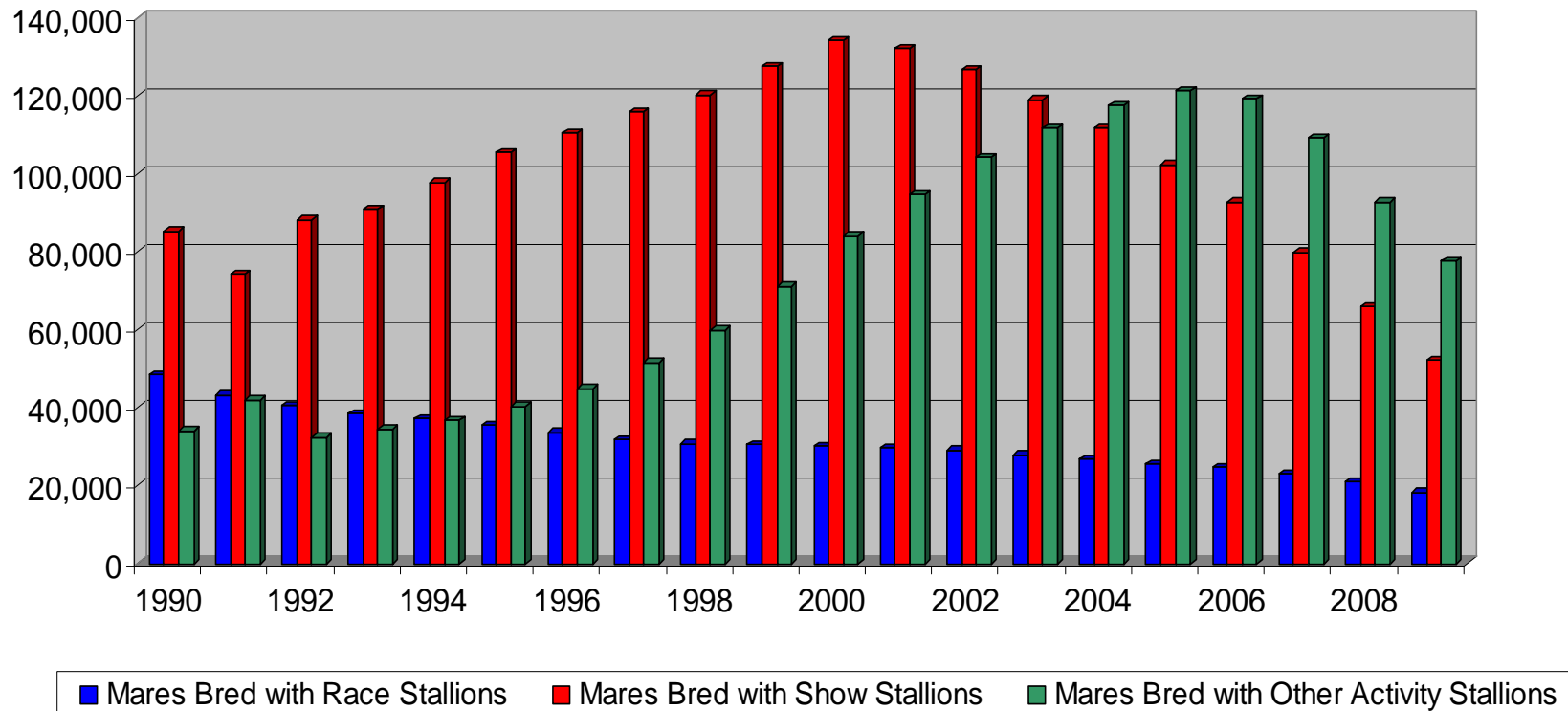
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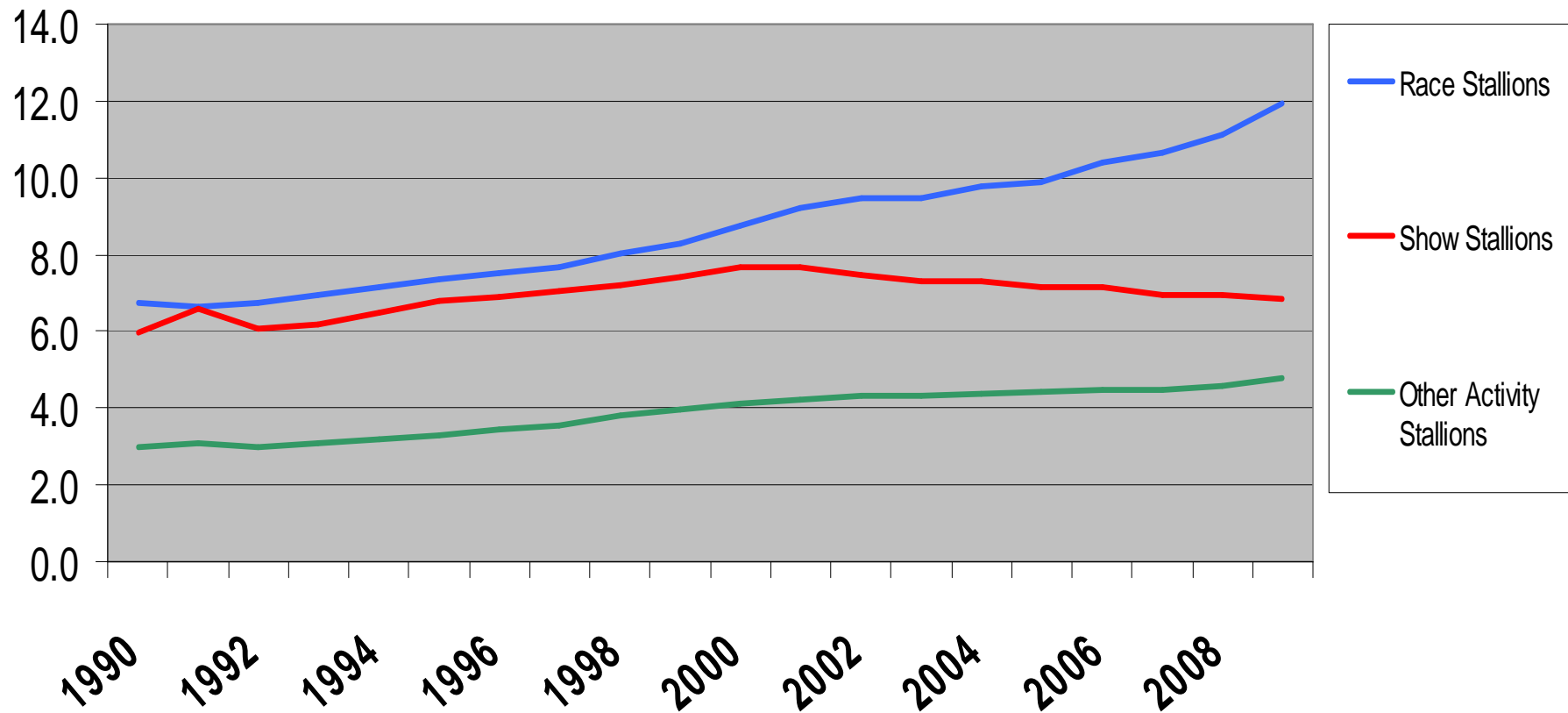
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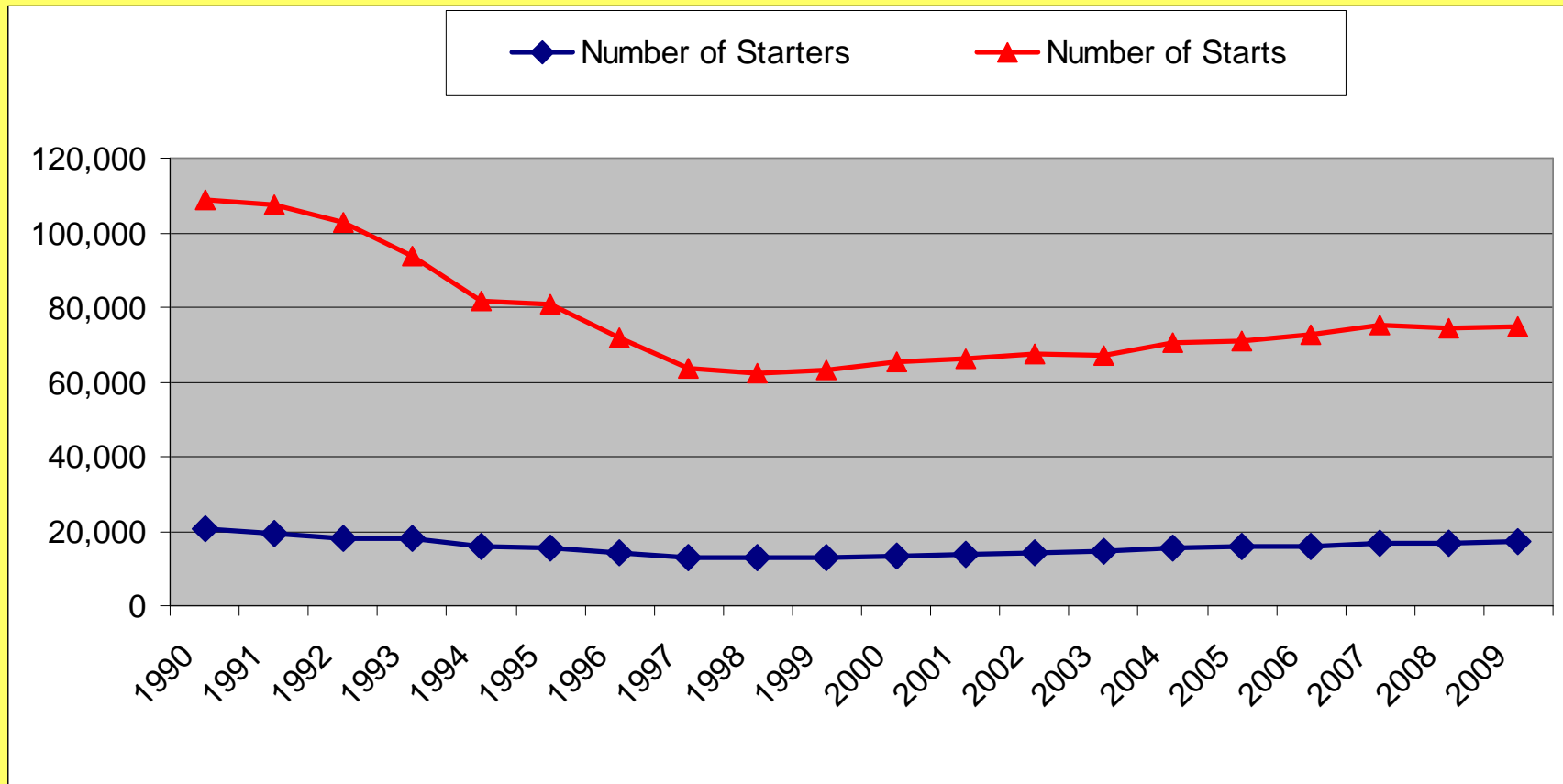


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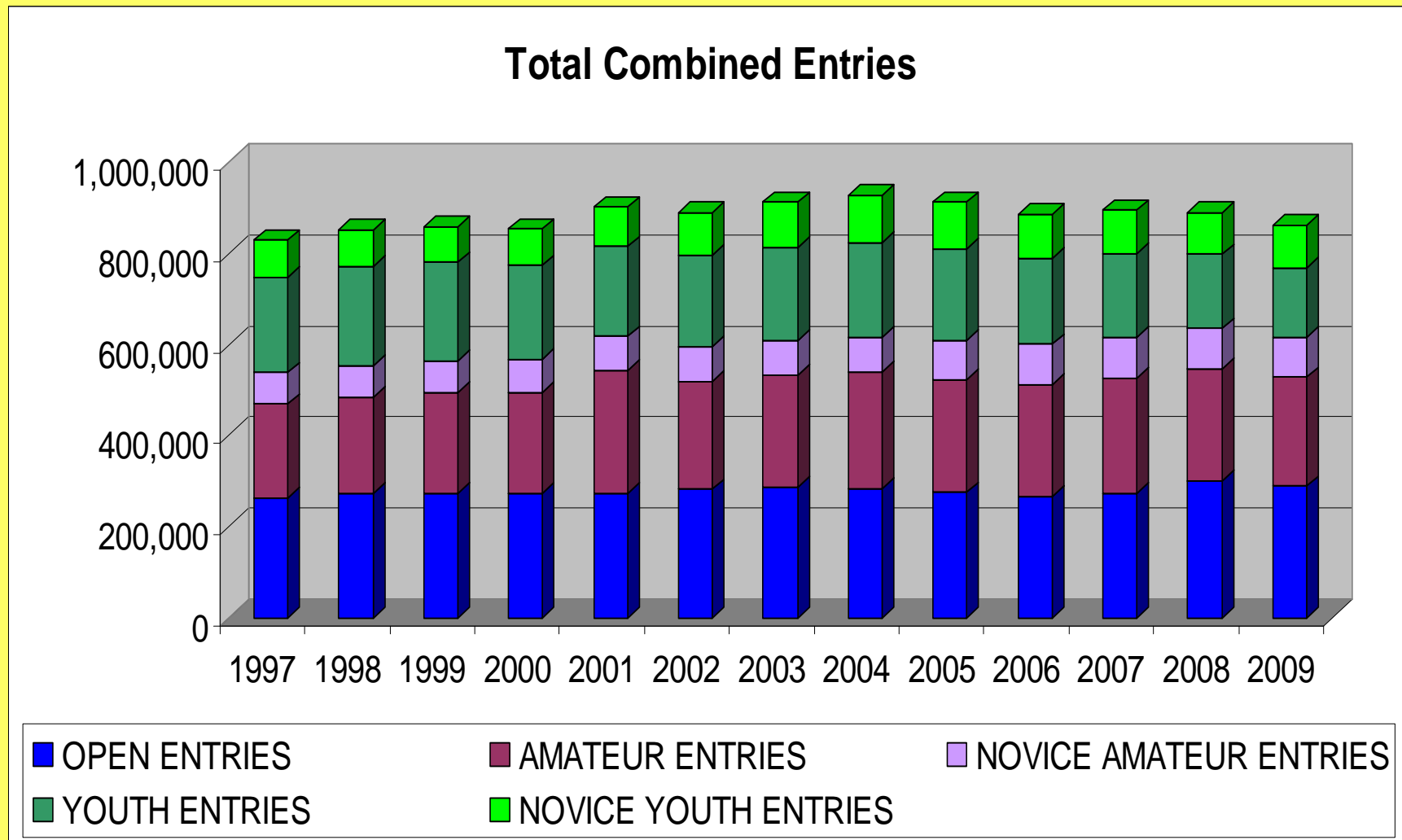
Average Number of Mares Bred per Stallion



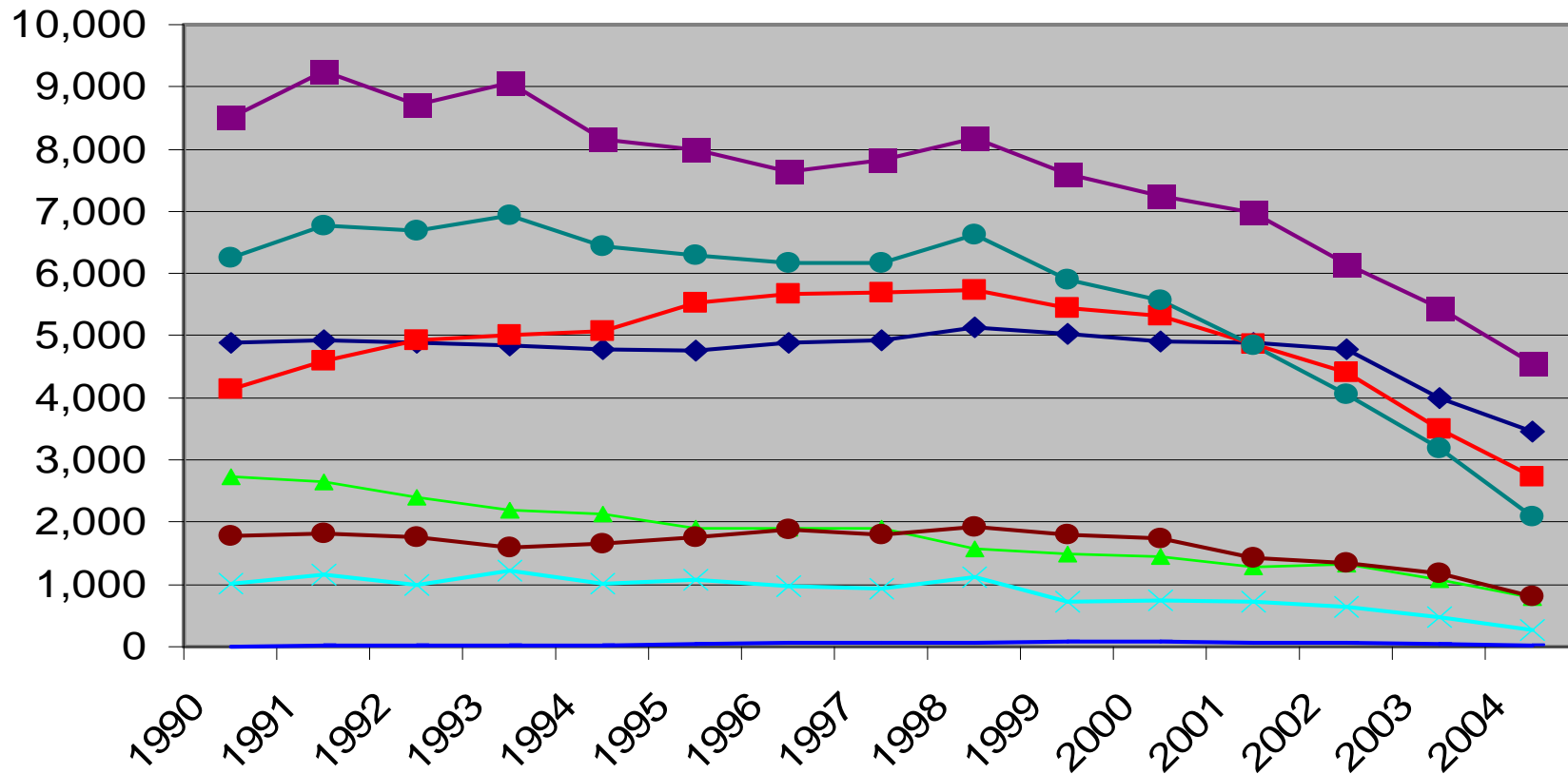
Race Stats



Show Stats

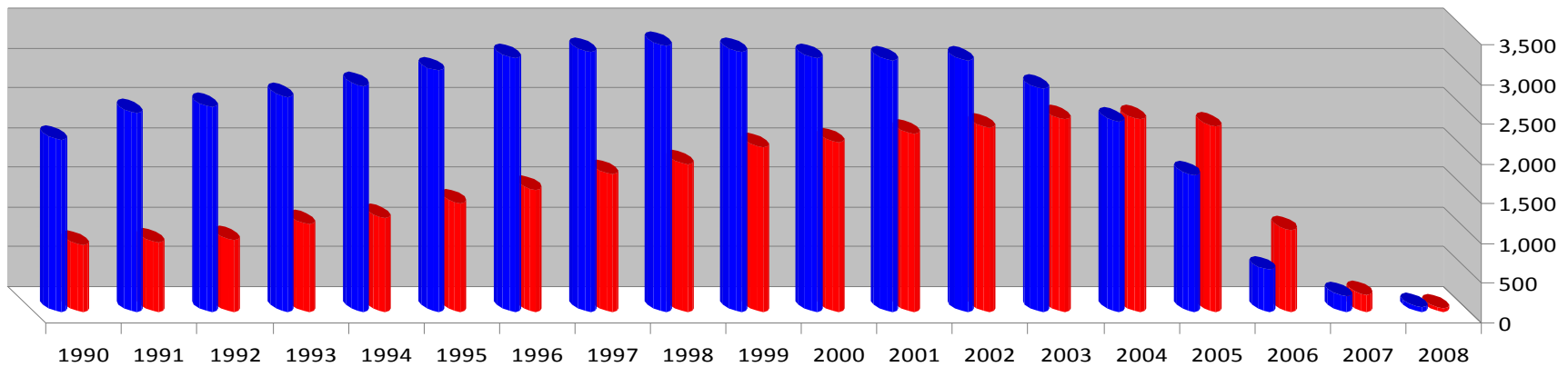


Performance Breakdown by Foal Year



- ◆ Category I Halter, Performance Halter
- Category II Reining, Working Cow Horse, Western Riding, Trail
- ▲ Category III Team Penning, Ranch Sorting, Barrel Racing, Pole Bending
- ✕ Category IV Jumping, Working Hunter, Hunter Hack
- Category V Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Pleasure Driving
- Category VI Roping, Cutting
- Category VII Showmanship, Western Horsemanship, Equitation
- Category IX Versatility Ranch Horse

Trend of Alliance Horse Participation



■ Alliance/AQHA Show Perf

■ Alliance/No AQHA Show Perf