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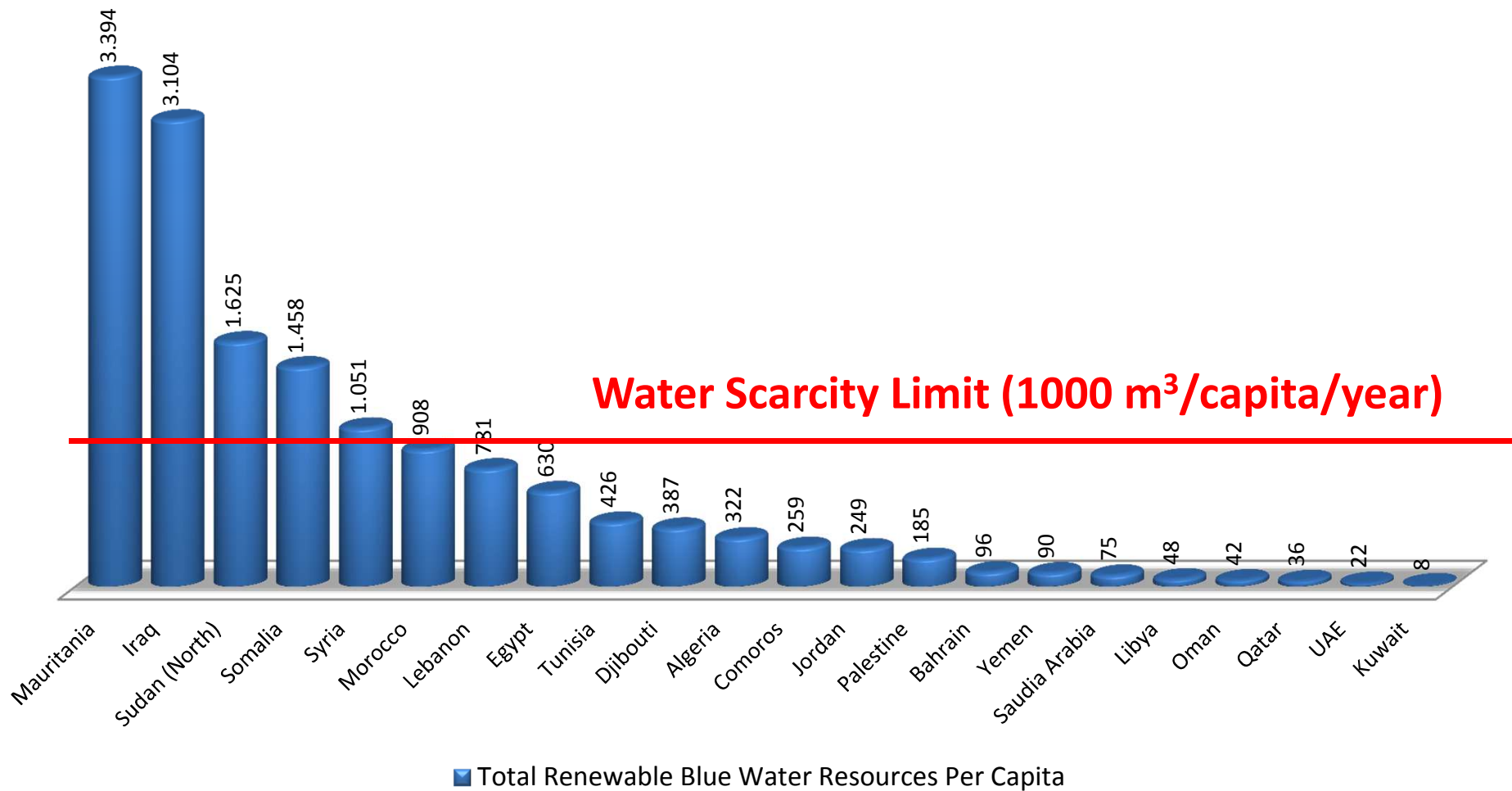
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## Water-Land-Waste Nexus in the Arab Region

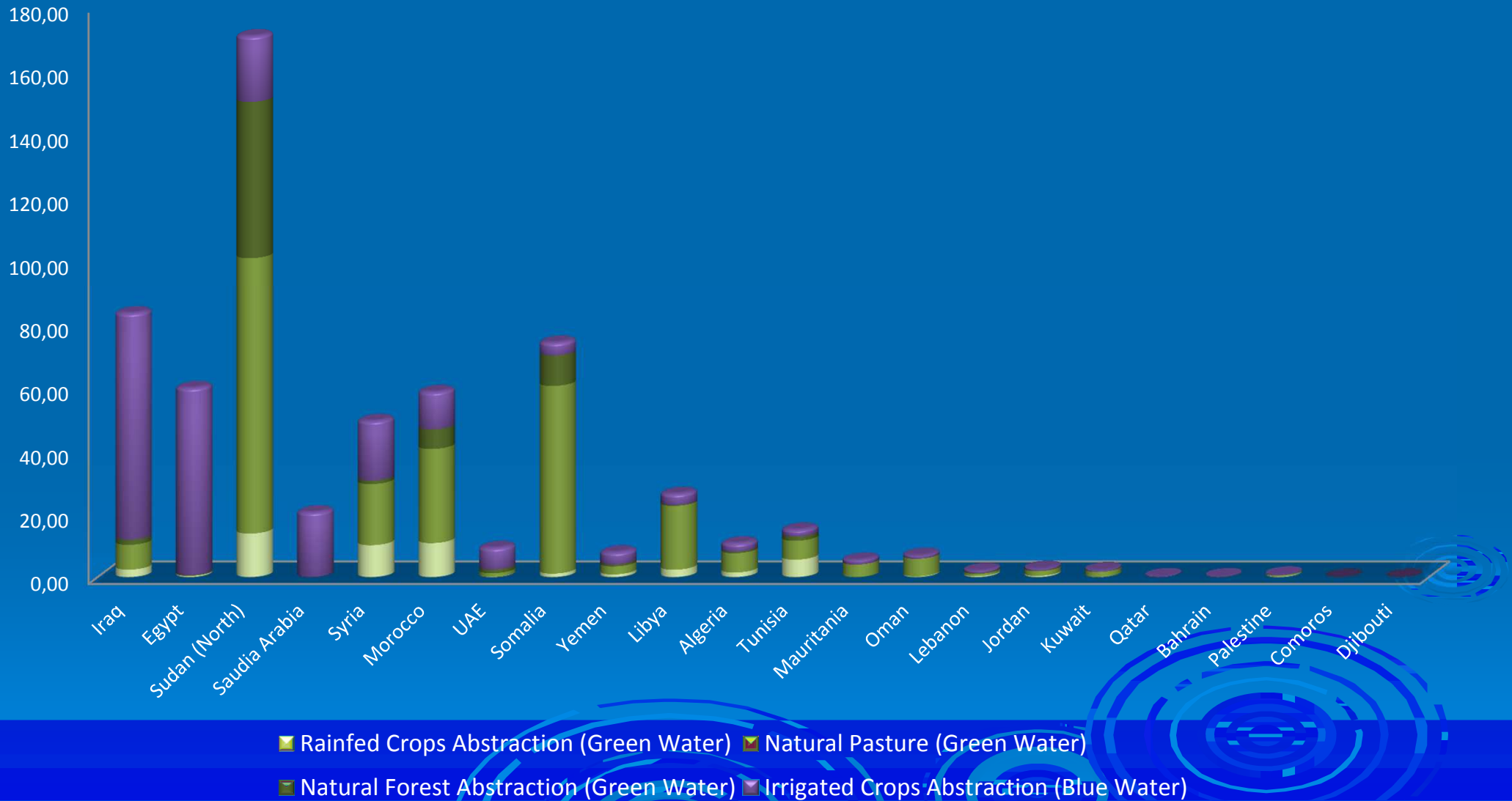
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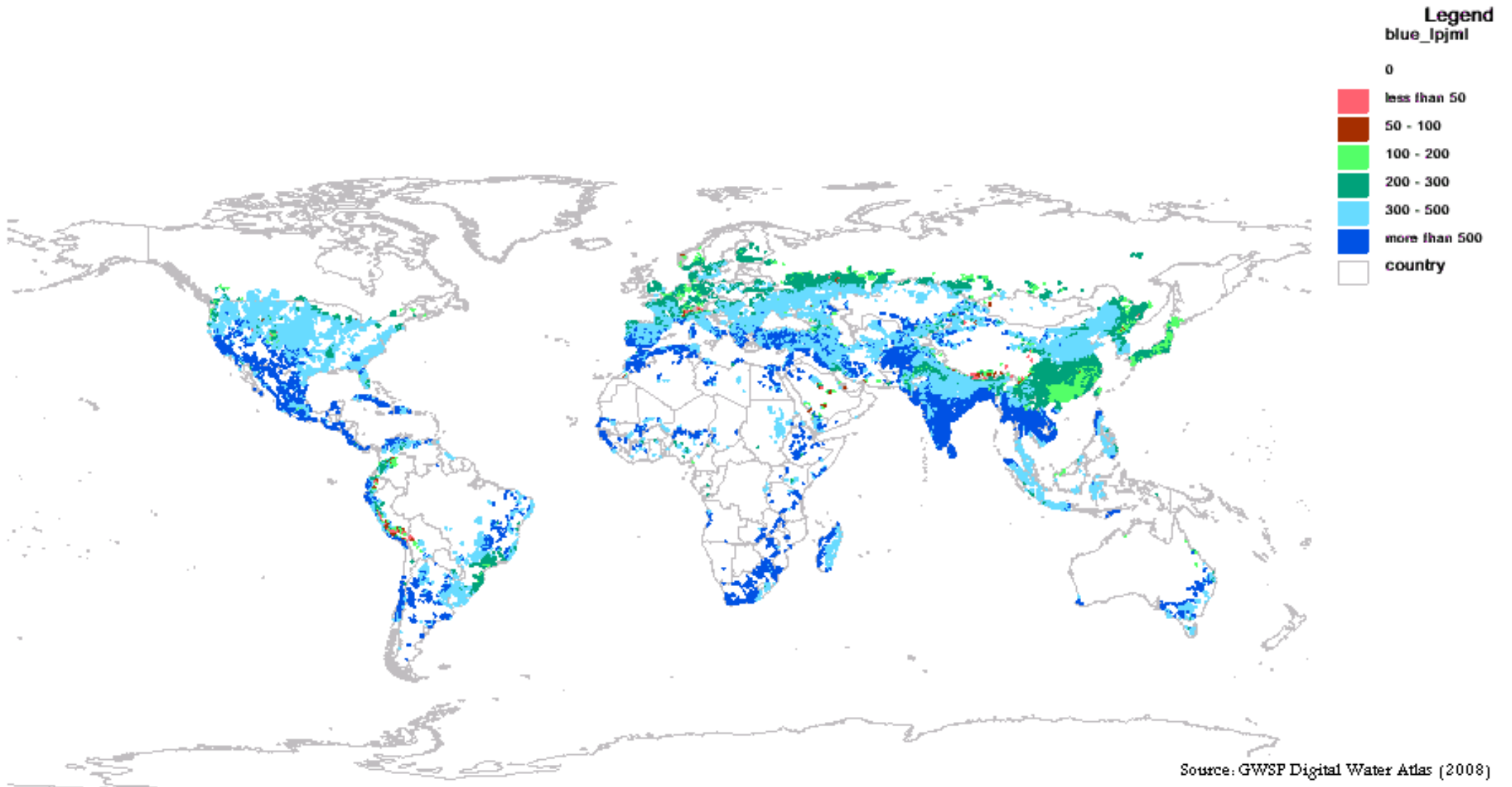
## Total Renewable Blue Water Resources Per Capita (CM/capita)



## Blue & Green Water Use in Arab Region (for Green Cover)

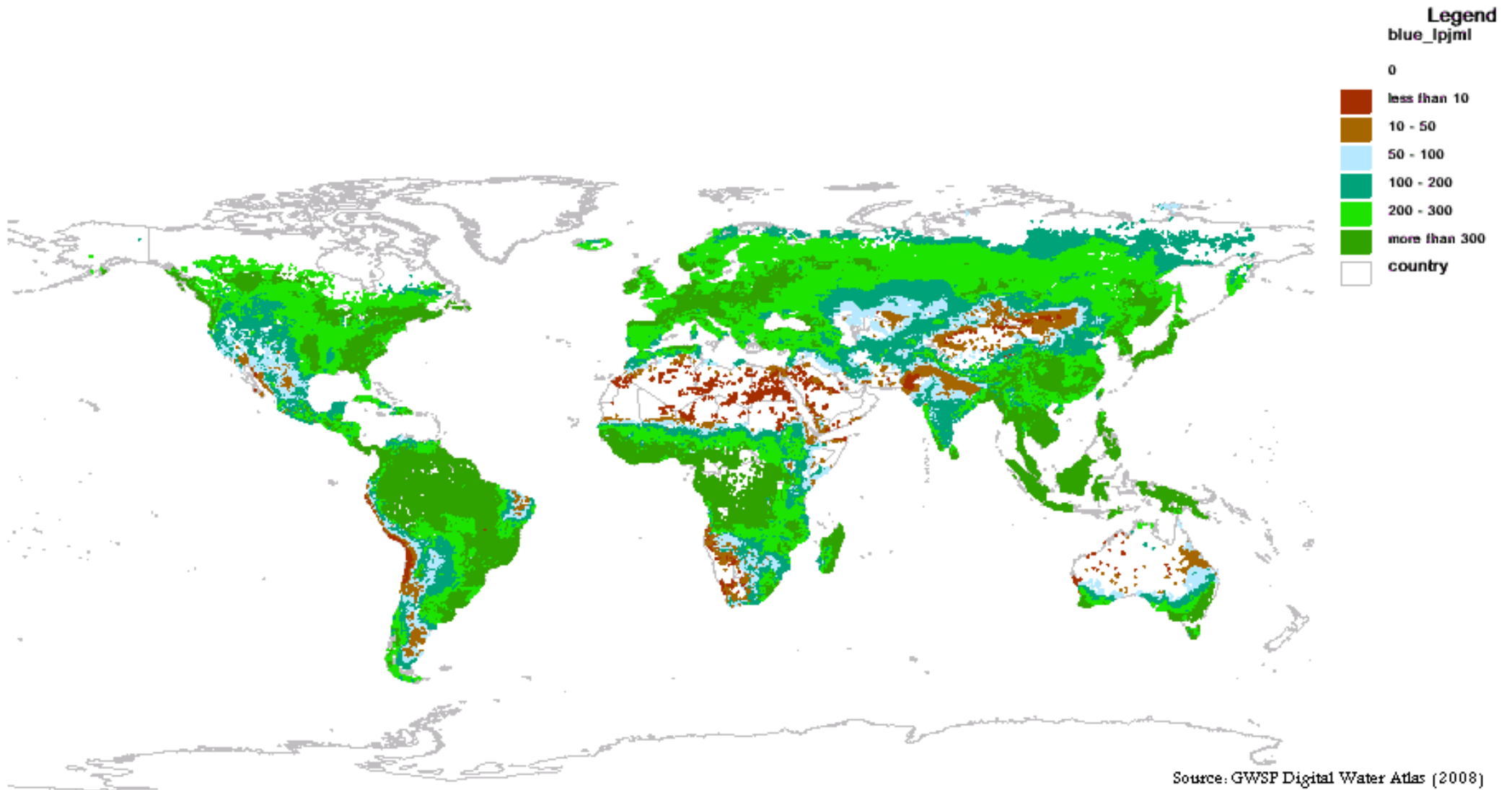


# Blue Water for Crop Consumption





# Green Water for Crop Consumption



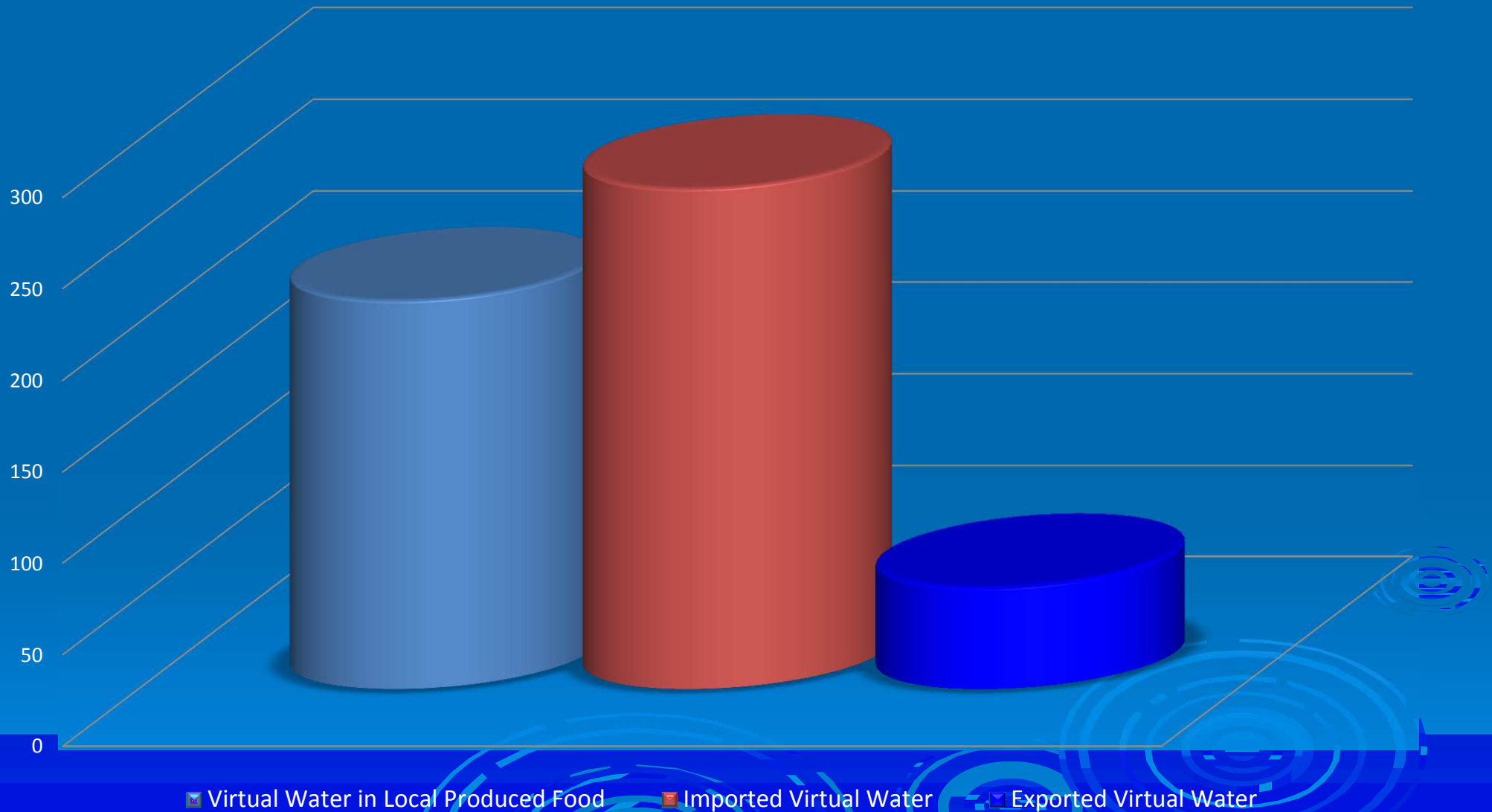


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# Land Use Change & the Blue-Green Water Transformation



## Virtual Water in food in the Arab Region (BCM)



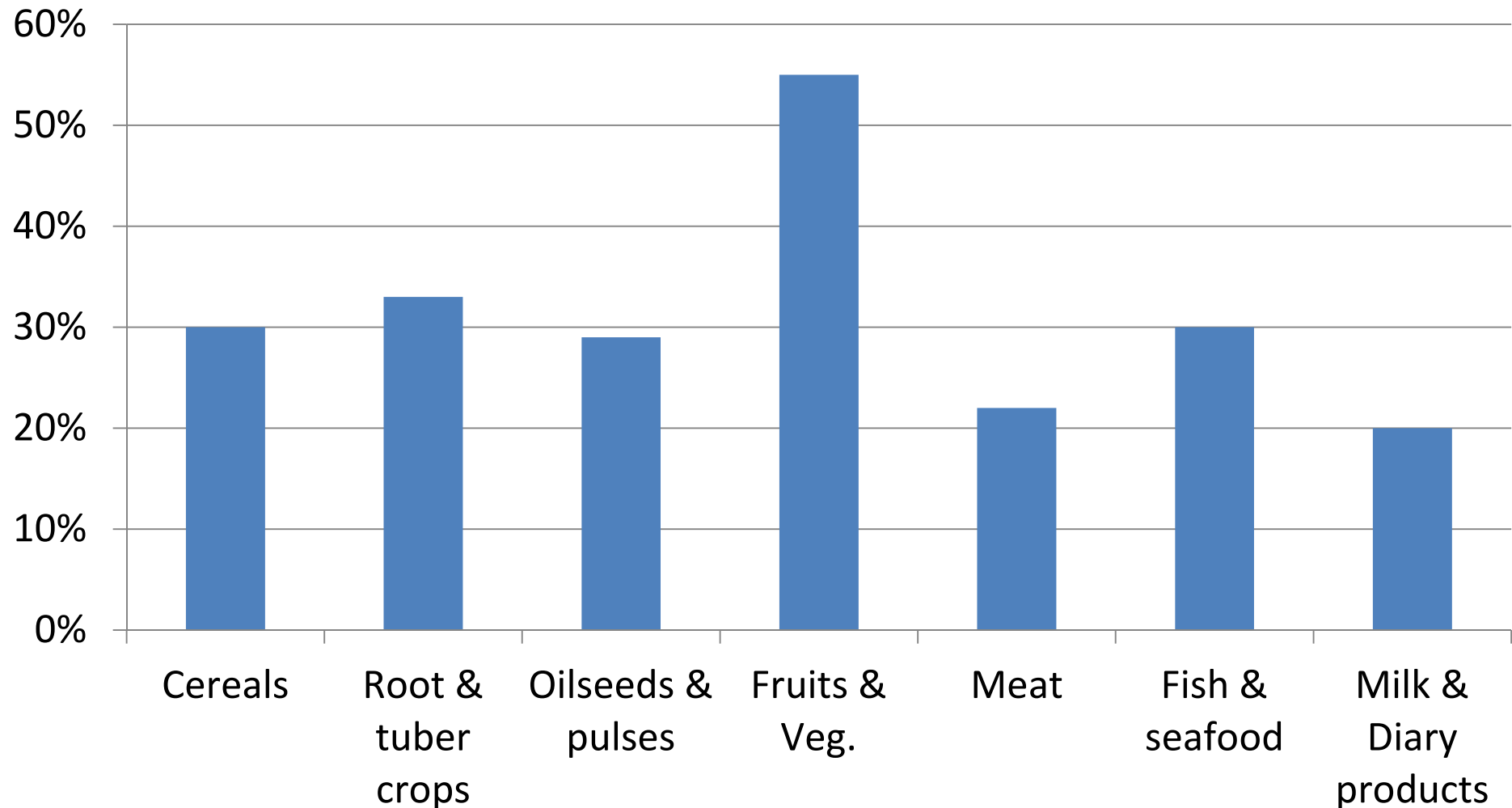




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# Food Products Wastage % in North Africa, West & Central Asia

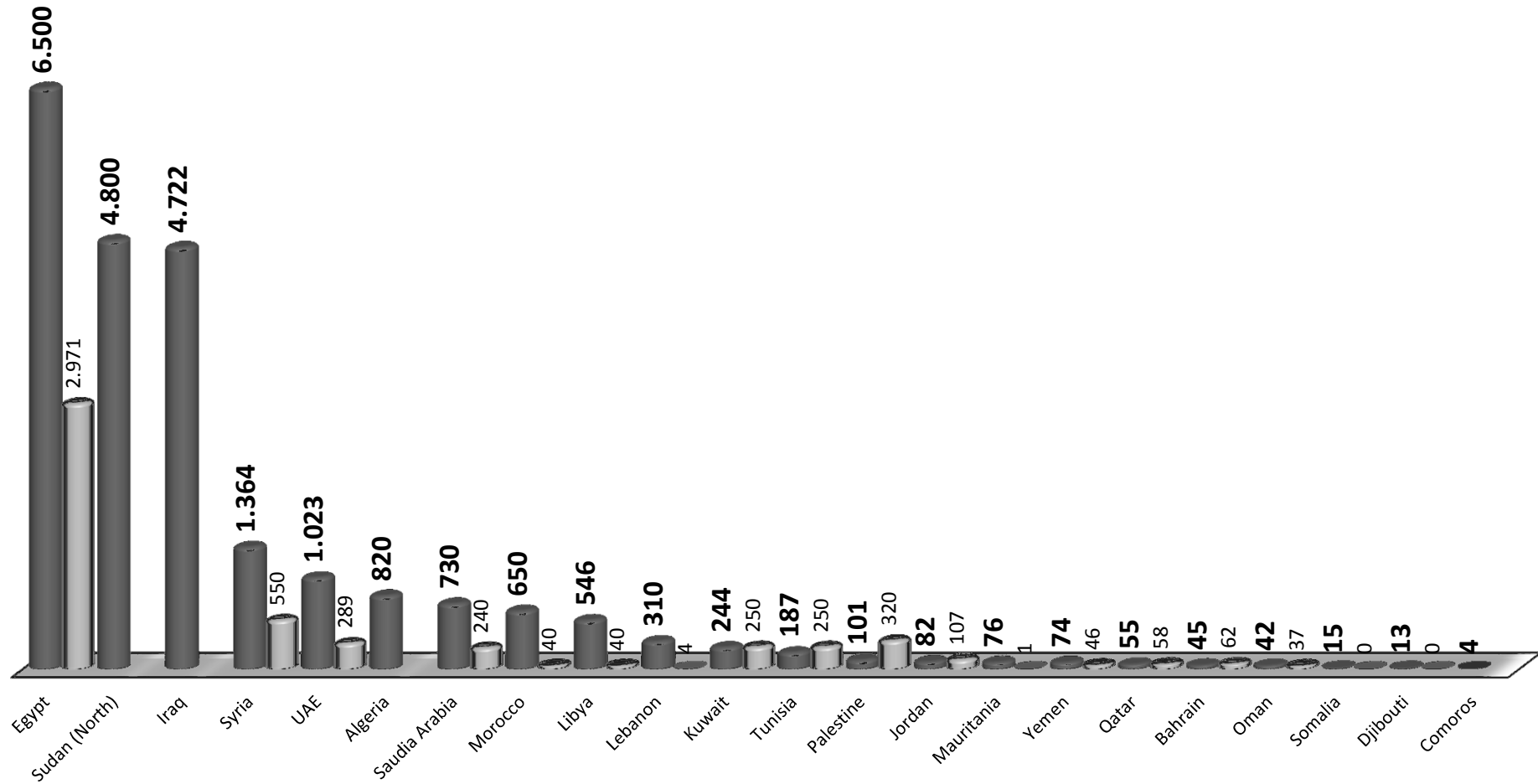
**Part of Production lost at Different Stages (FAO, 2011)**





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# Produced and Treated Wastewater in Arab Region (MCM/Y)

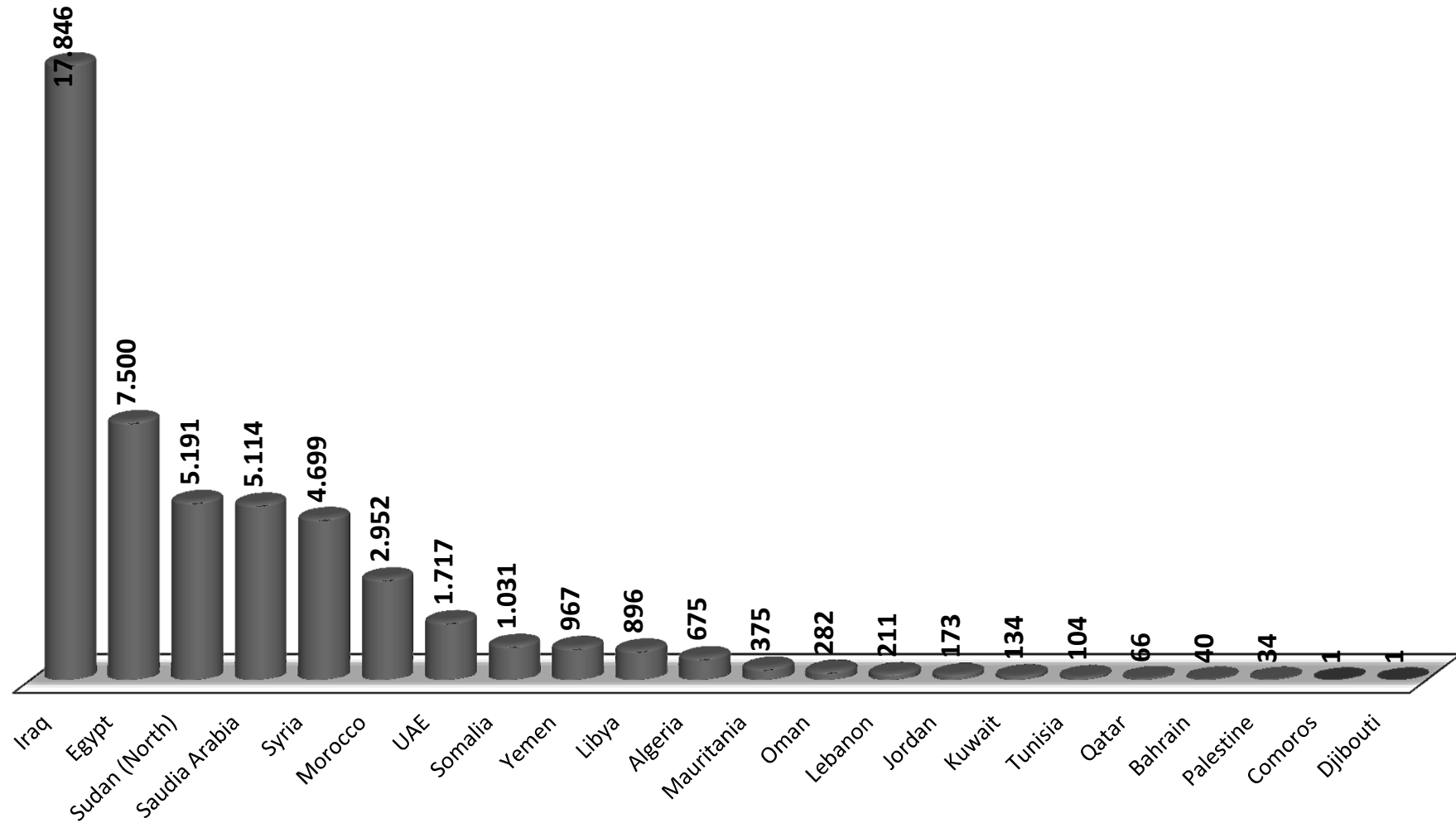


- Produced Municipal and Industrial Wastewater (PMW)
- Treated Municipal and Industrial Wastewater



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# Produced Agricultural Drainage in the Arab Region (MCM/Y)

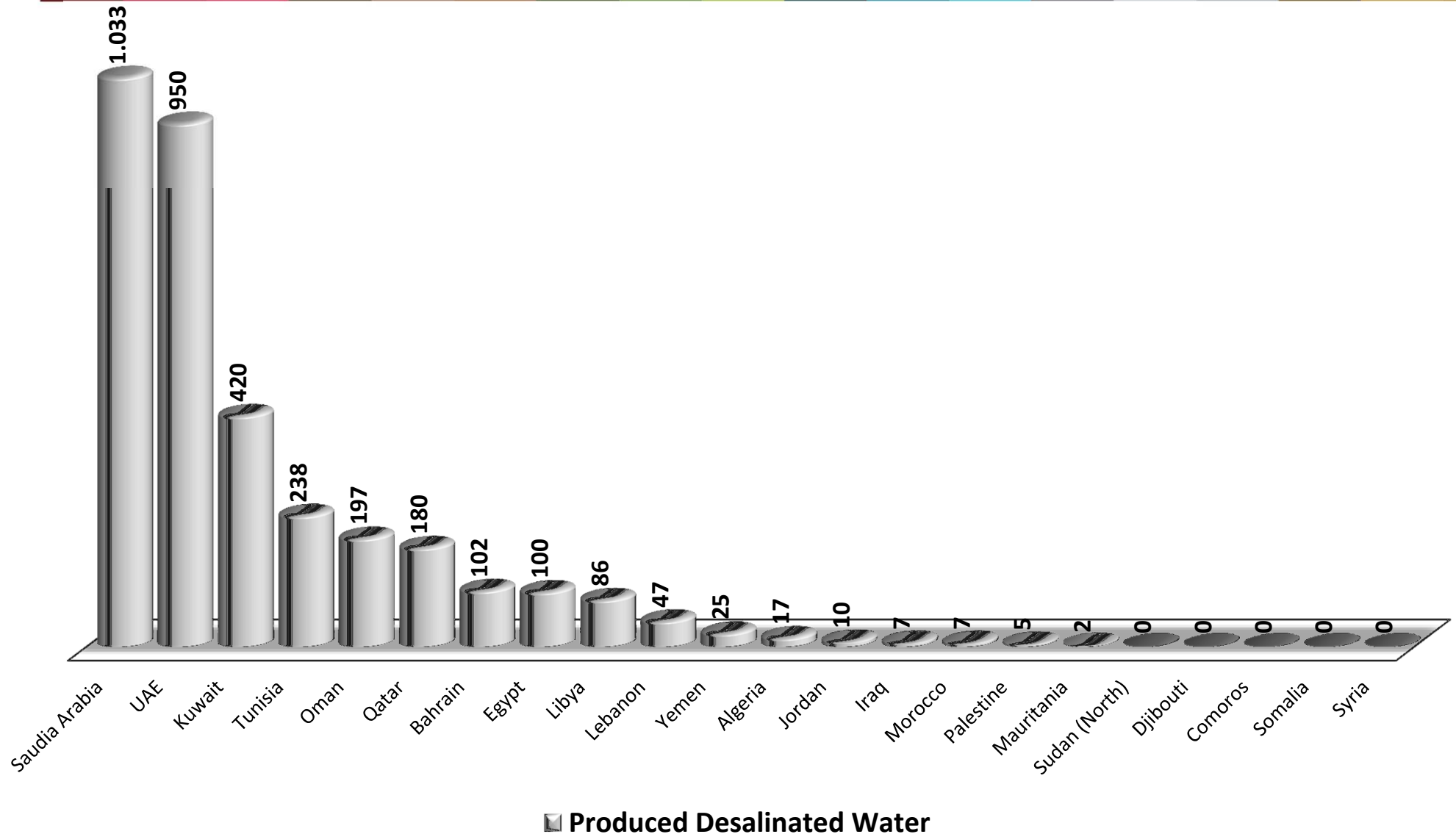


■ Produced Agricultural Drainage (PAD)



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# Produced Desalinated Water in Arab Region (MCM/Year)

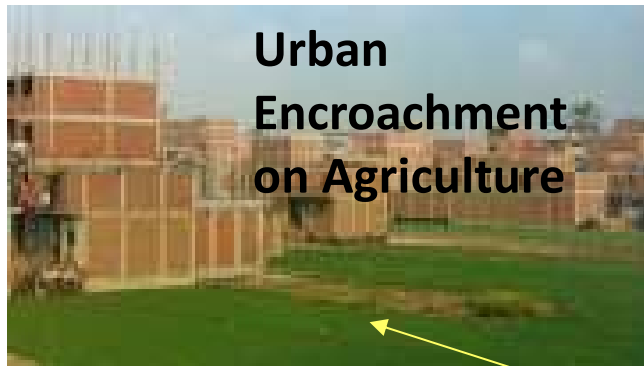






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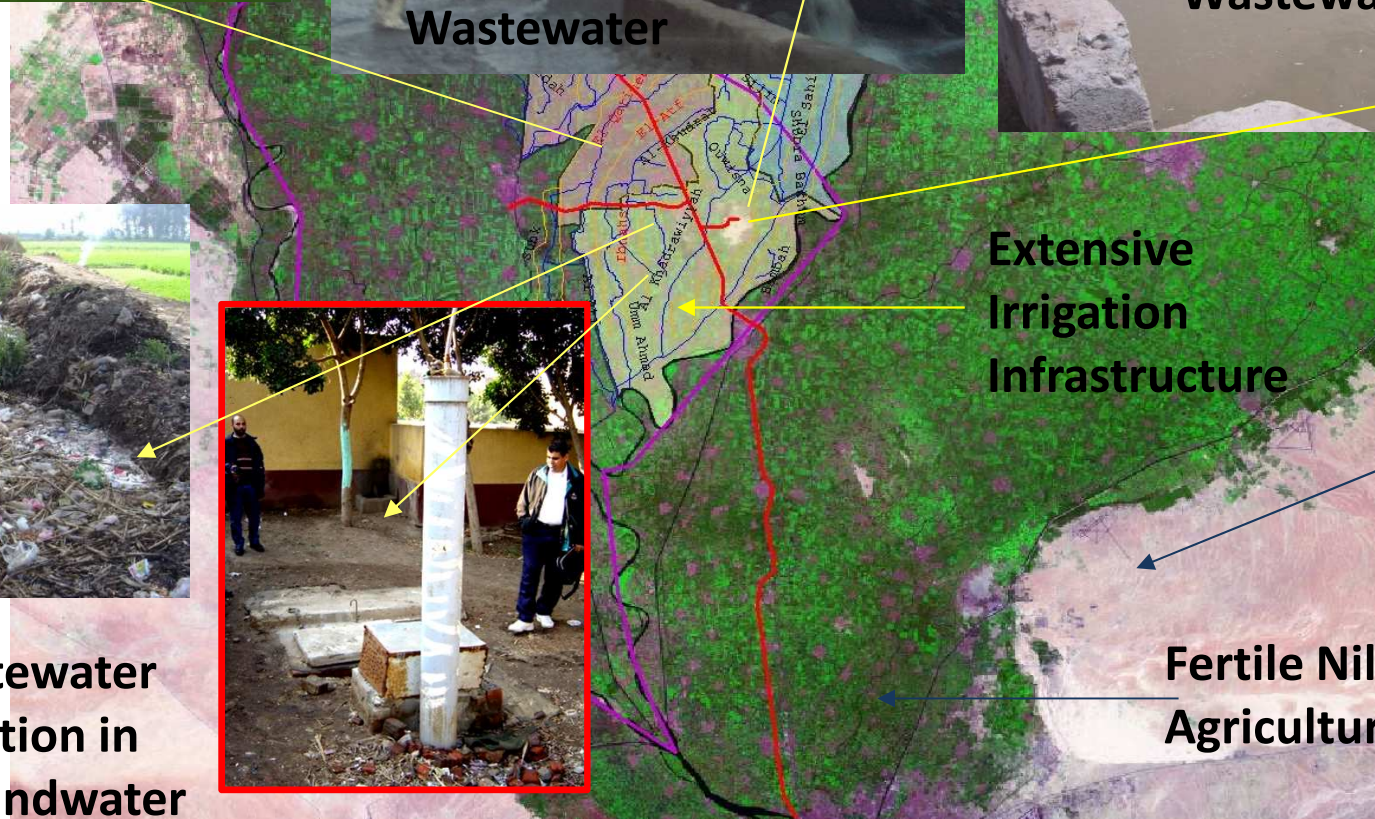
# Water-Solid Wastes-Municipal Wastewater-Industrial Wastewater-Land Nexus



**Solid Wastes in Waterways**



**Wastewater Injection in Groundwater**



**Extensive Irrigation Infrastructure**

**Desert Water Scarce Areas**

**Fertile Nile Delta Agriculture Land**





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# Egypt 2030 Wastewater Reuse Strategic Vision: Facing the Water-Wastewater Nexus

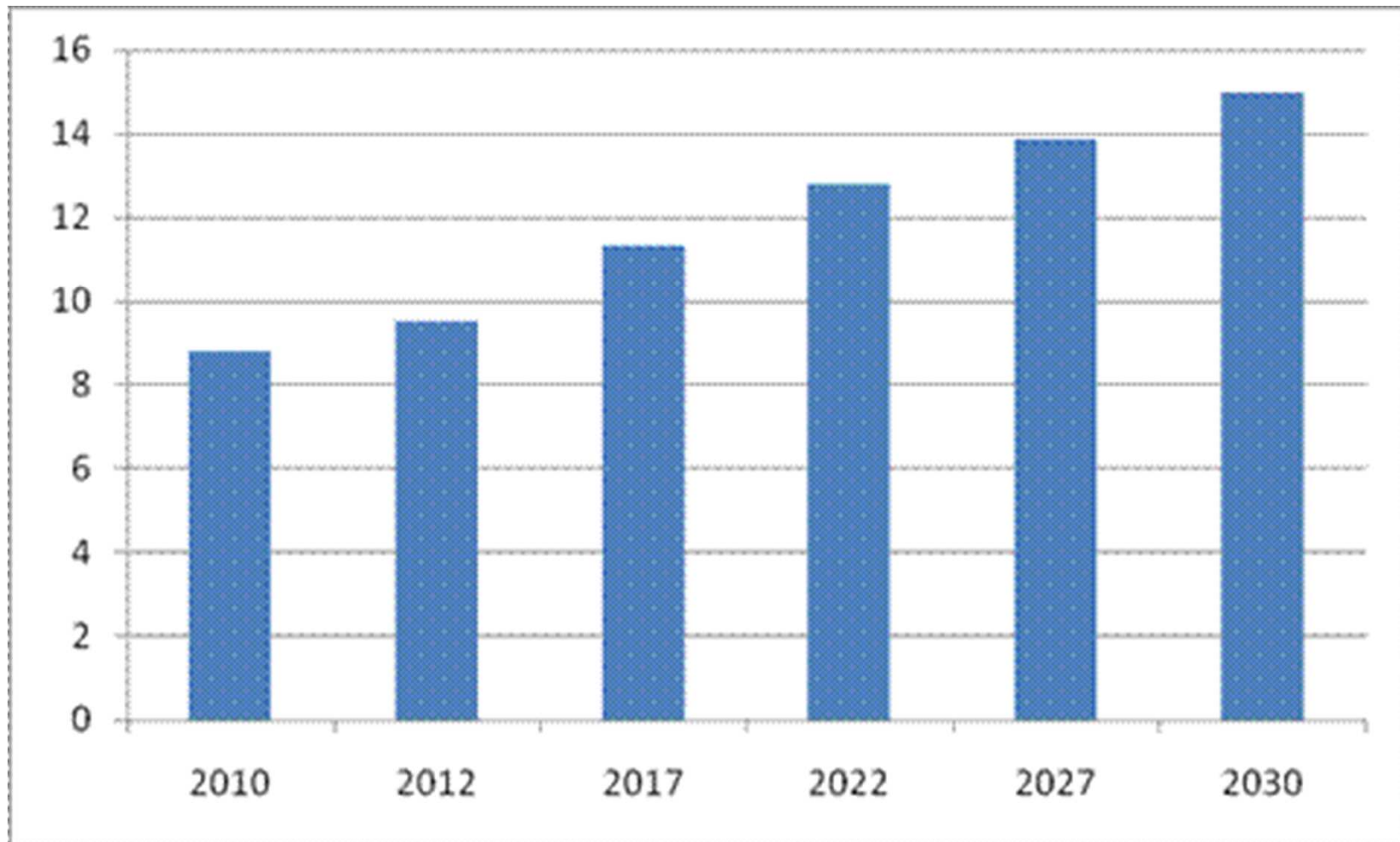
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# 2030 Projected Water Supply Capacity (BCM)



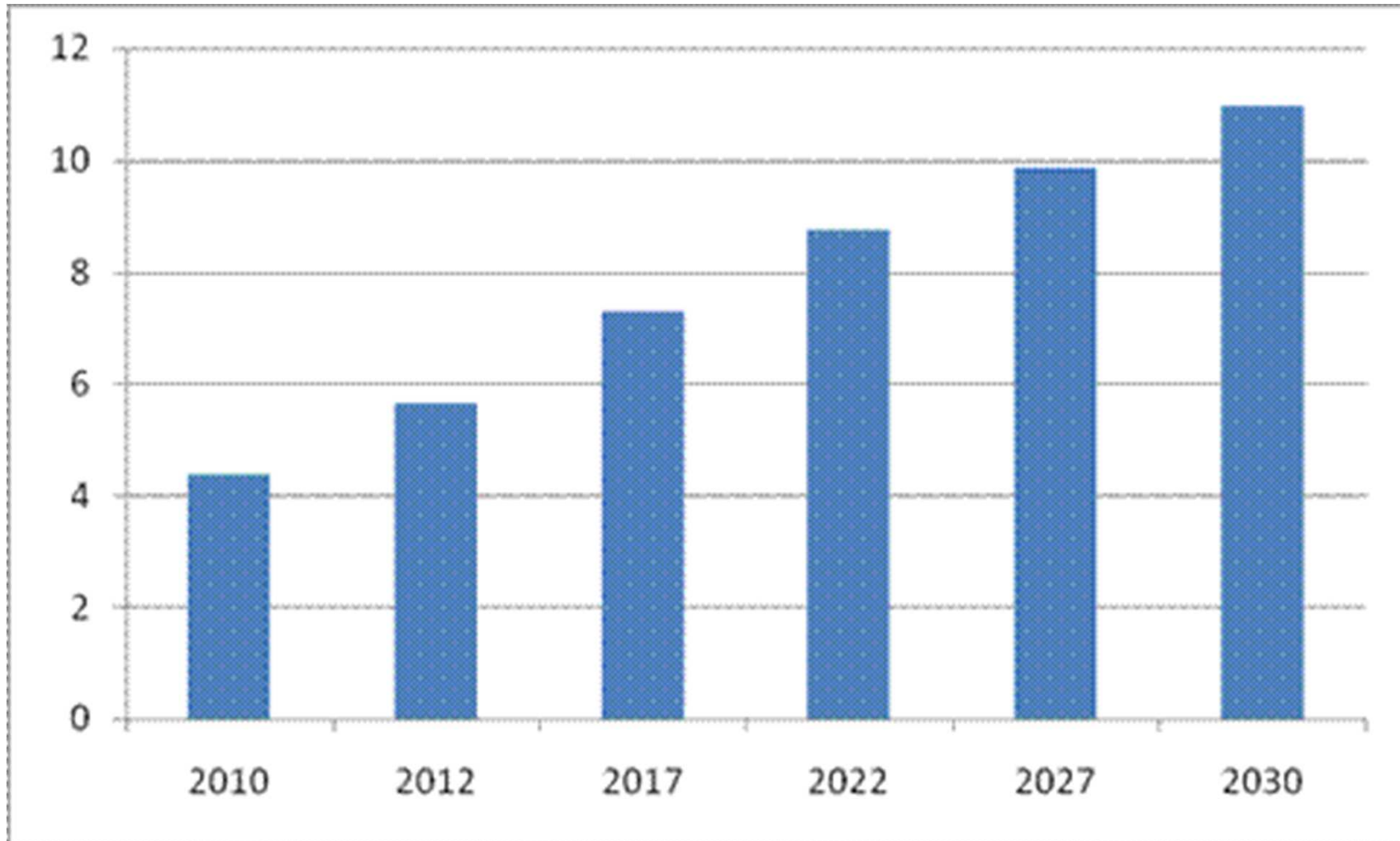
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# 2030 Projected Wastewater collection Capacity (BCM)



(modified from HCWW, 2011)



# Obstacles and Institutional Constraints

- The financial resources required to increase the national coverage of wastewater collection, and to upgrade the level of treatment.
- The proximity of potential arable land to wastewater treatment facilities
- The environmental and health concerns and perception of wastewater reuse for agriculture.
- The Egyptian wastewater re-use code that prohibits using secondary and tertiary treated wastewater for edible crops.
- The Irrigation & Drainage Egyptian law that prohibits conveyance of treated wastewater through irrigation canals.
- The Environmental & health regulations & laws.





# Obstacles and Institutional Constraints (2)

- The generation of new water demands by the wastewater companies due to directing wastewater to Wood and Bio-fuel tree plantations.
- The anticipated competition over treated wastewater by the Water Resources Planning sector, the Agriculture sector, and the Water and Wastewater sector.
- The risk of not being able to market the agriculture products for export to neighboring regional & international markets
- The Health & Environmental hazards associated with improper handling of the different levels of treated wastewater by users.



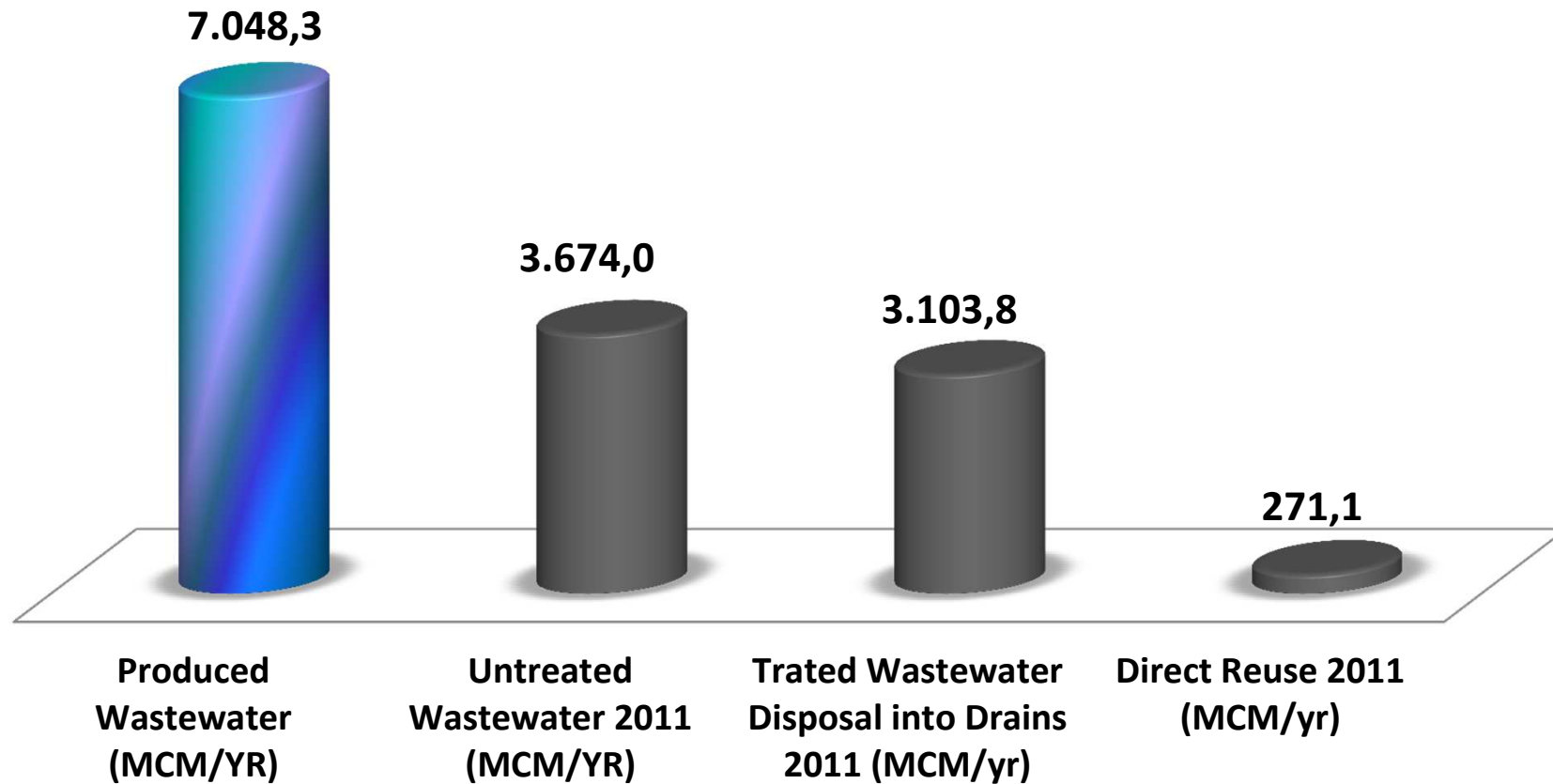
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# **PROPOSED STRATEGIC VISION FOR WASTEWATER REUSE IN EGYPT TILL 2030**



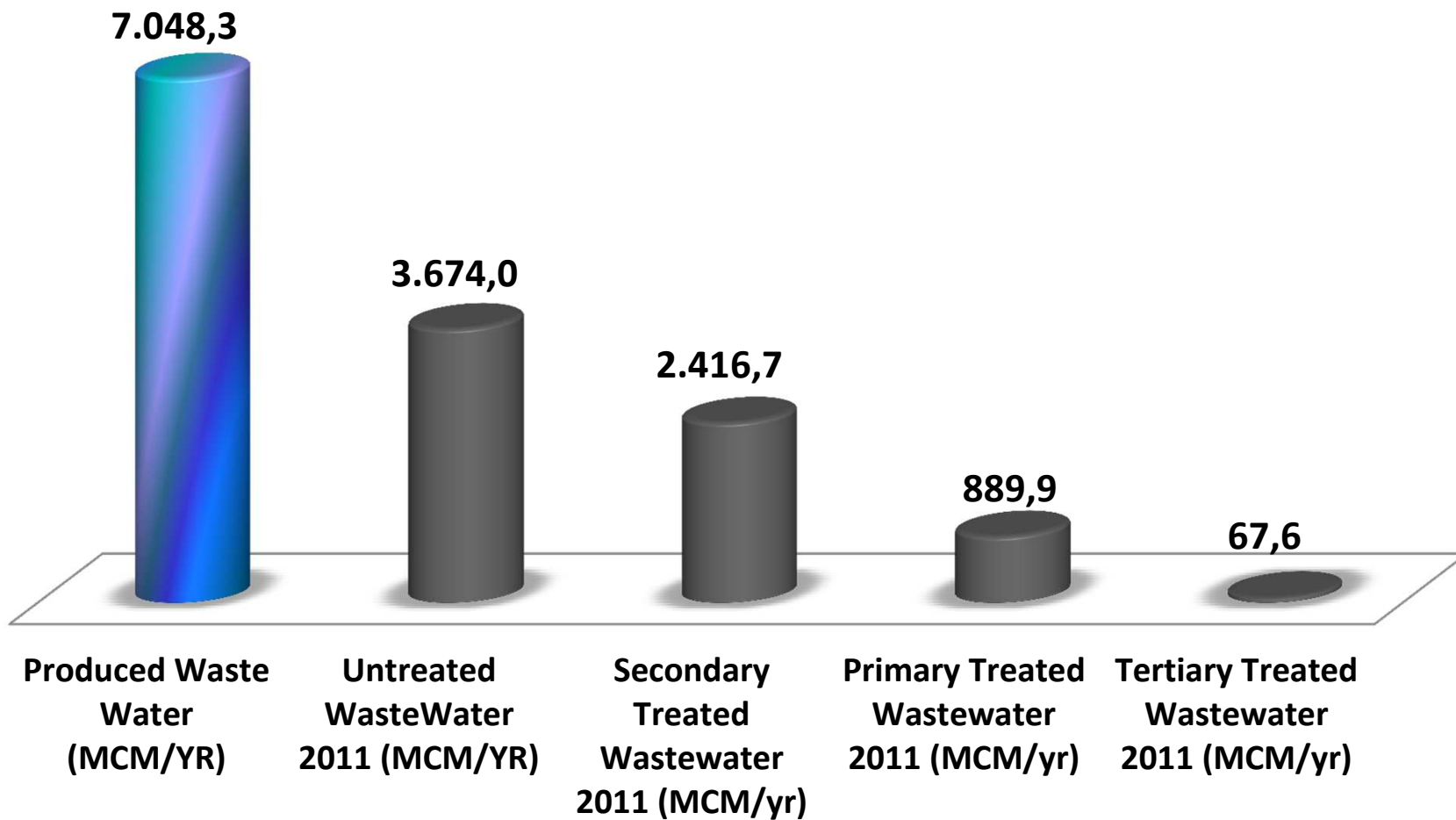
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# National Wastewater and Reuse Status 2011





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# Proposed 2030 Strategic Directions

- Delta and Nile Valley Governorates Plants to Dispose secondary treated Wastewater into Agriculture drains, and reuse downstream through Ag. Drainage Mixing Pumping Stations
- Desert front & Agriculture Expansion Governorates to direct future treated wastewater directly to agriculture expansion areas
- Upgrade all treatment levels to secondary treatment level by 2030
- Maintain existing tertiary treatment levels of 2011 without expansion at this stage





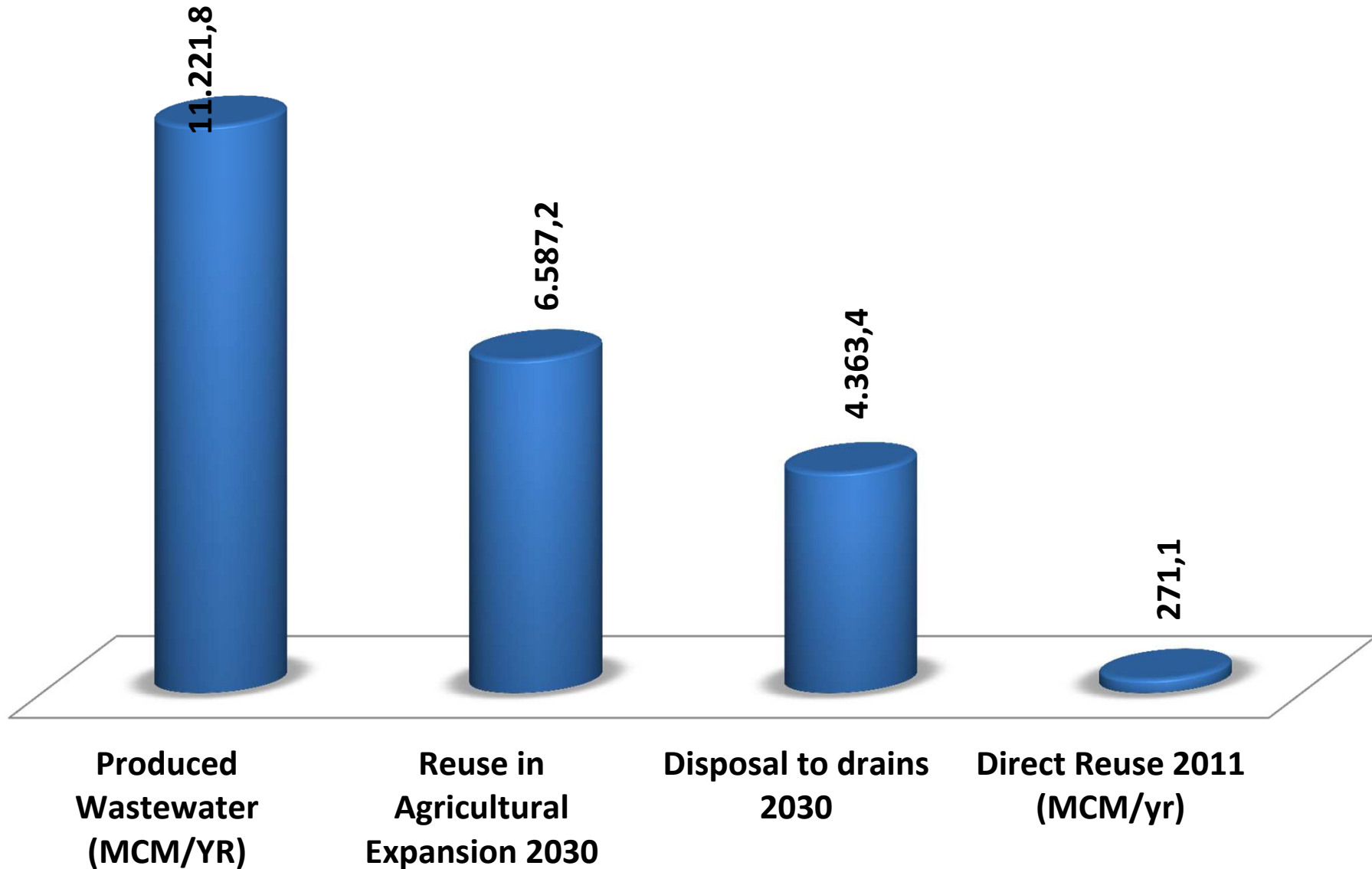
# Proposed 2030 Strategic Directions

- Maintain existing Wood Trees areas of 2011 without further expansion and direct future treated wastewater to Agriculture Expansion areas
- Modify Wastewater Reuse Code to allow for expansion in permissible agriculture crops cultivation on treated Wastewater according to international standards (e.g. new WHO guidelines)
- Develop governorate specific plans by matching Agriculture expansion plans with urban development plans, WSS plans, and Water Resources Management plans.
- Embrace an out-of-Valley scenario for Urban Expansion to protect Agriculture Land
- End users of treated wastewater to finance, sewage infrastructure, treatment and distribution of treated wastewater



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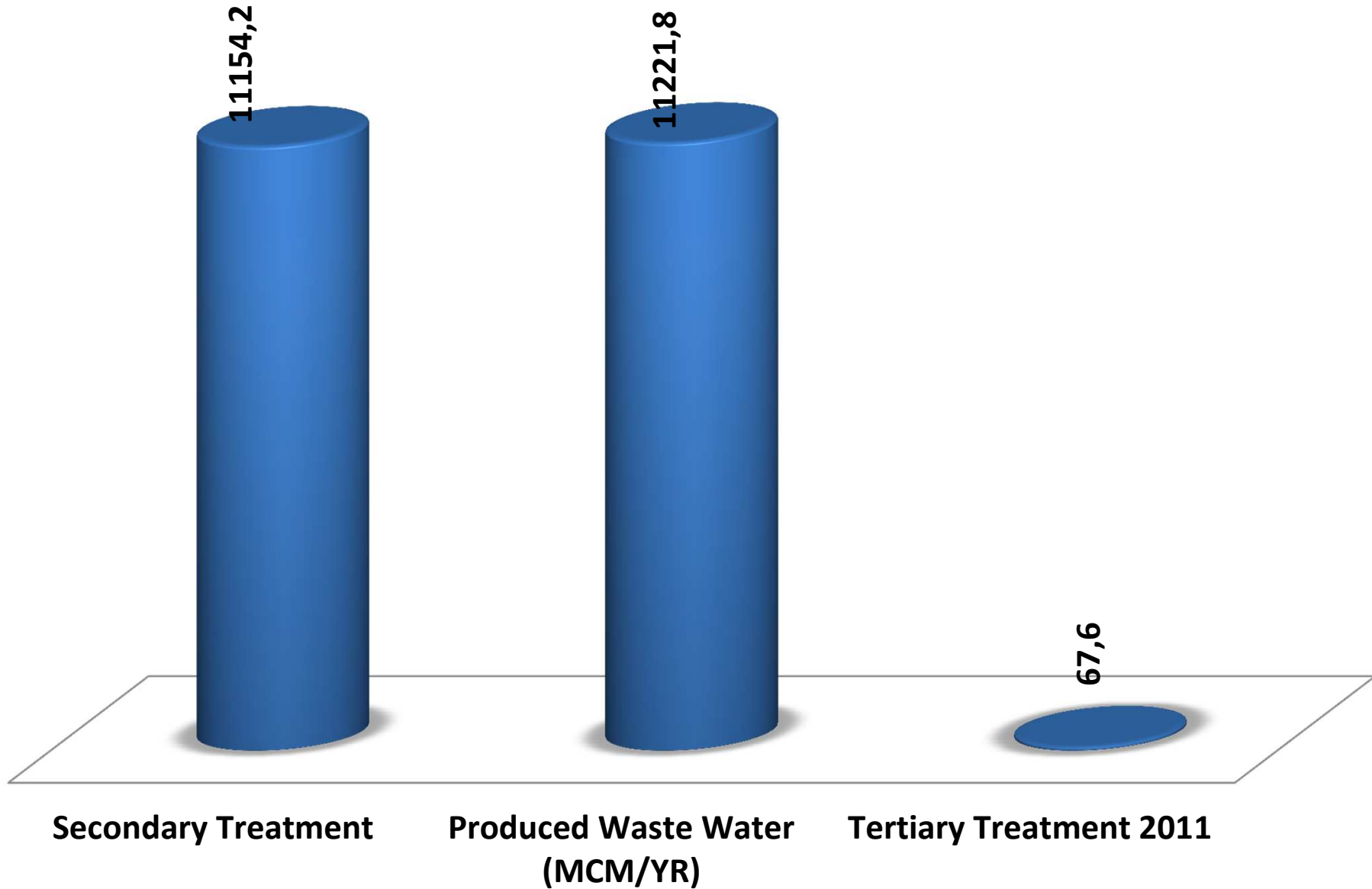
# Wastewater Direct Reuse 2030 Strategic Vision





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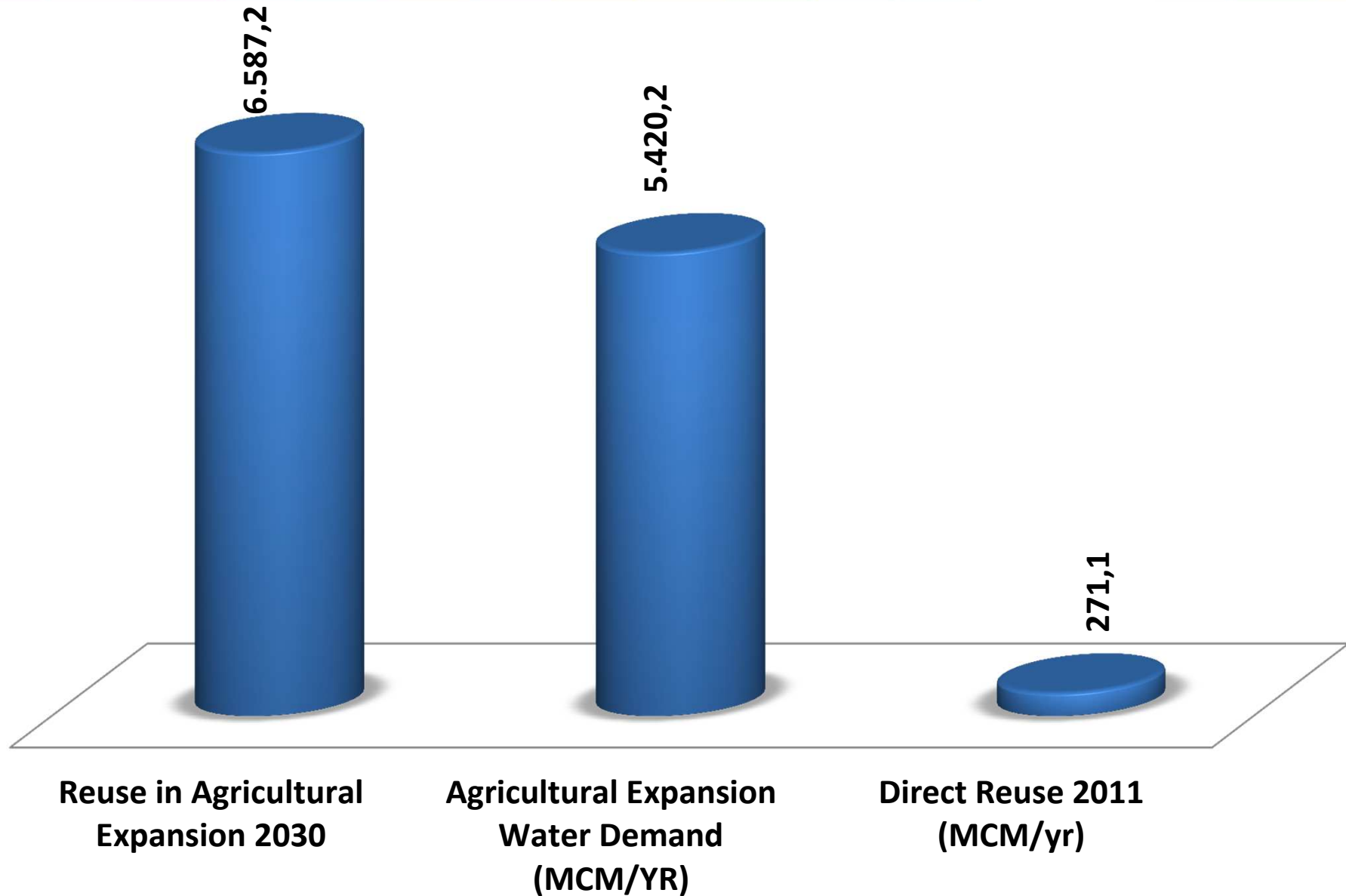
# Wastewater Treatment Level 2030 Strategic Vision (MCM/Year)





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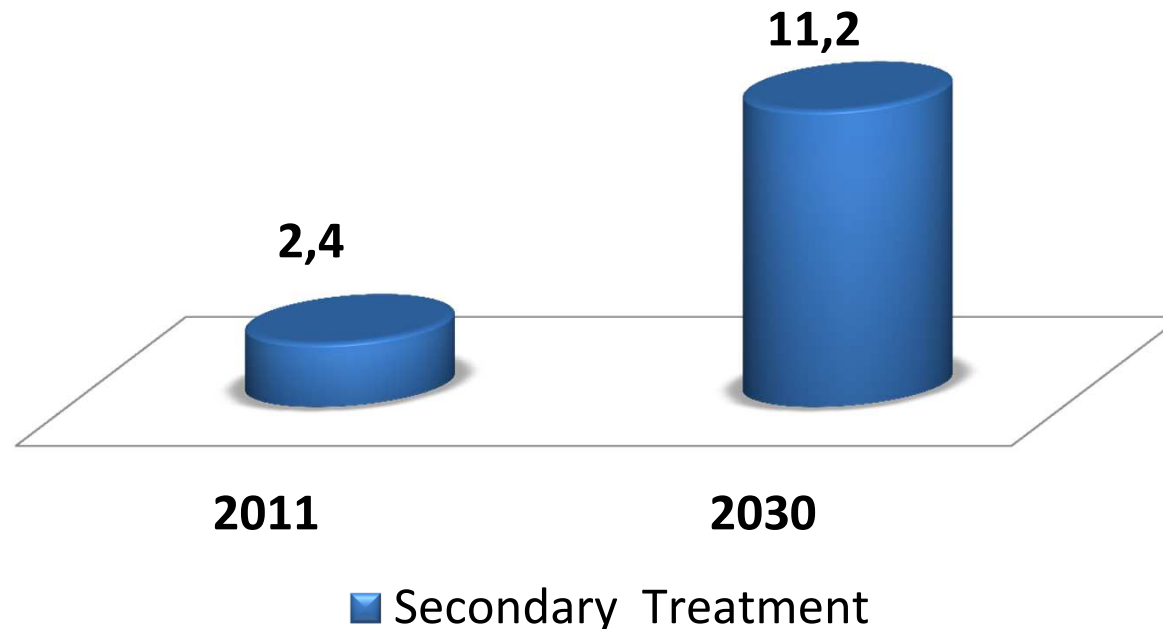
# Water Demand for Existing Agriculture Expansion Plans & Reuse in 2030





# Required Investment between 2012-2030 (almost 30 Billion \$, about 1.5 billion \$/year)

Total Required Investment  
8.8 BCM \*20LE=176 Billion LE

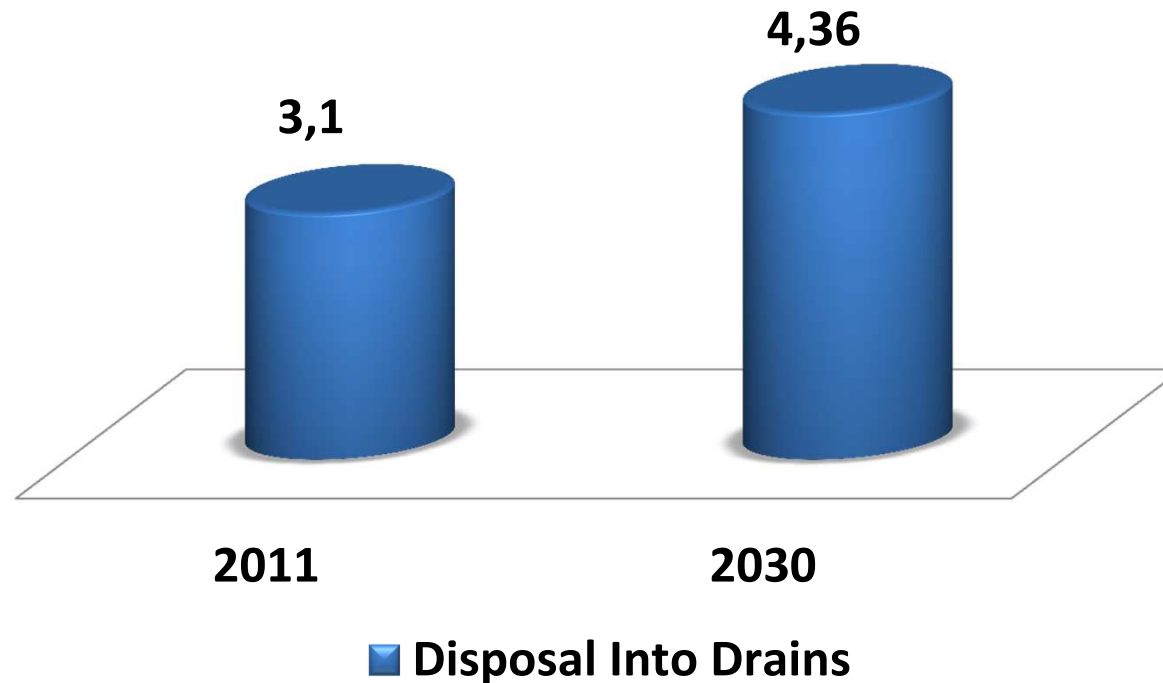






# Agriculture Drainage Mixing Pump Expansion Requirement

Increase in Reuse Pump Capacity  
 $4.36 \text{ BCM} - 3.1 \text{ BCM} = 1.26 \text{ BCM}$





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**Thank you for your attention**

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