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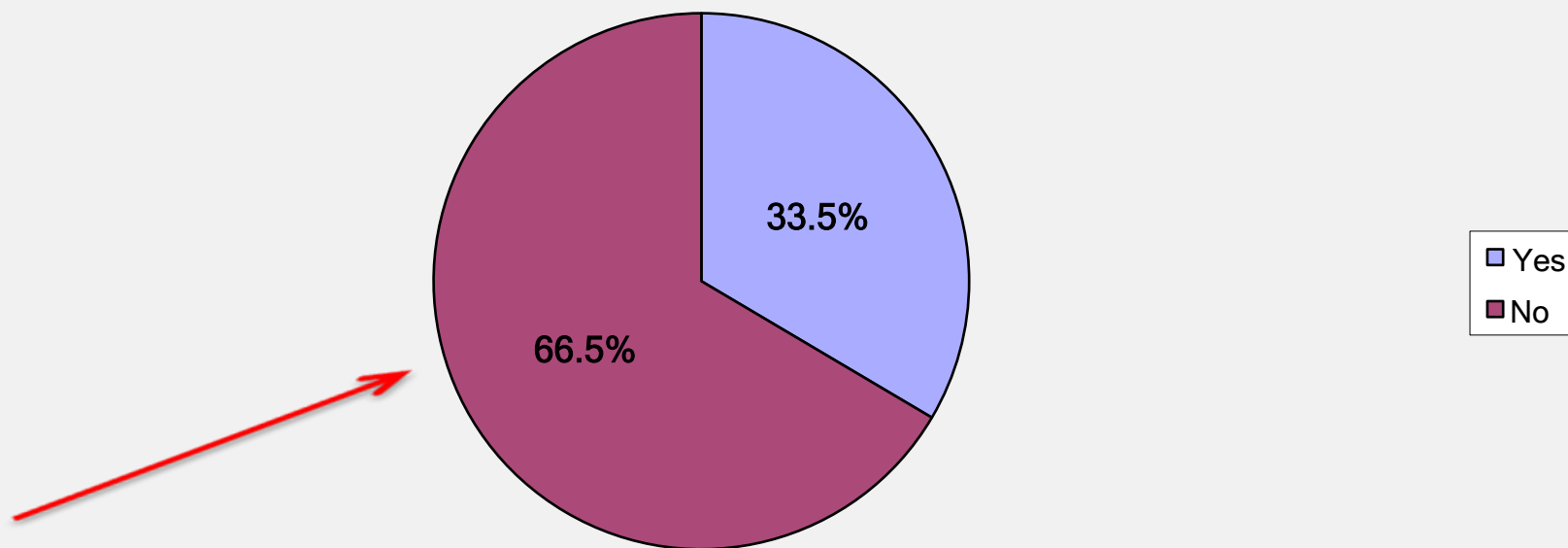
Good stuff.



Source: American Trucking Association

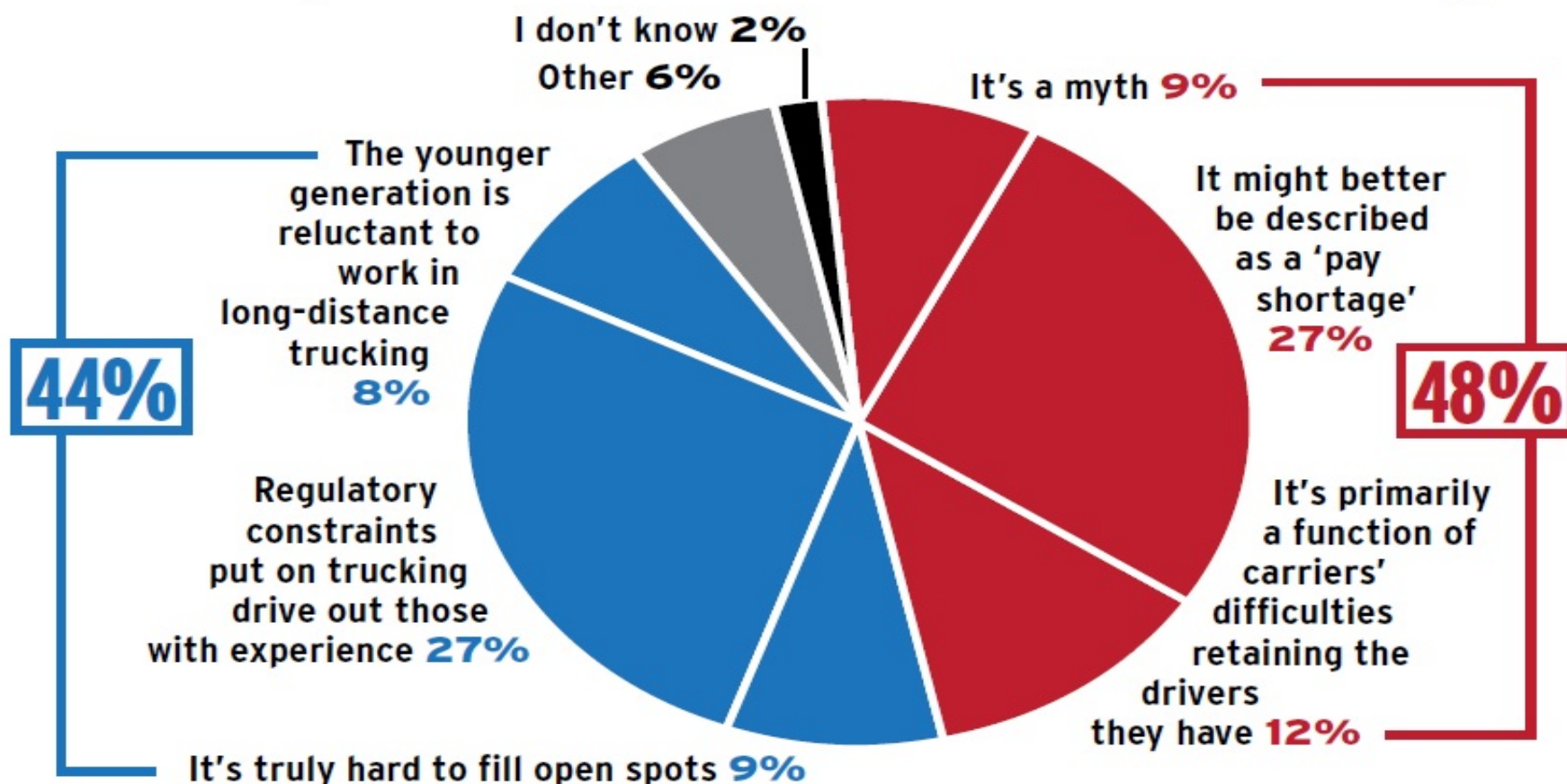
Driver Survey – Driver Turnover

Do you feel that shippers view you, the trucker, as an important part of their business model?



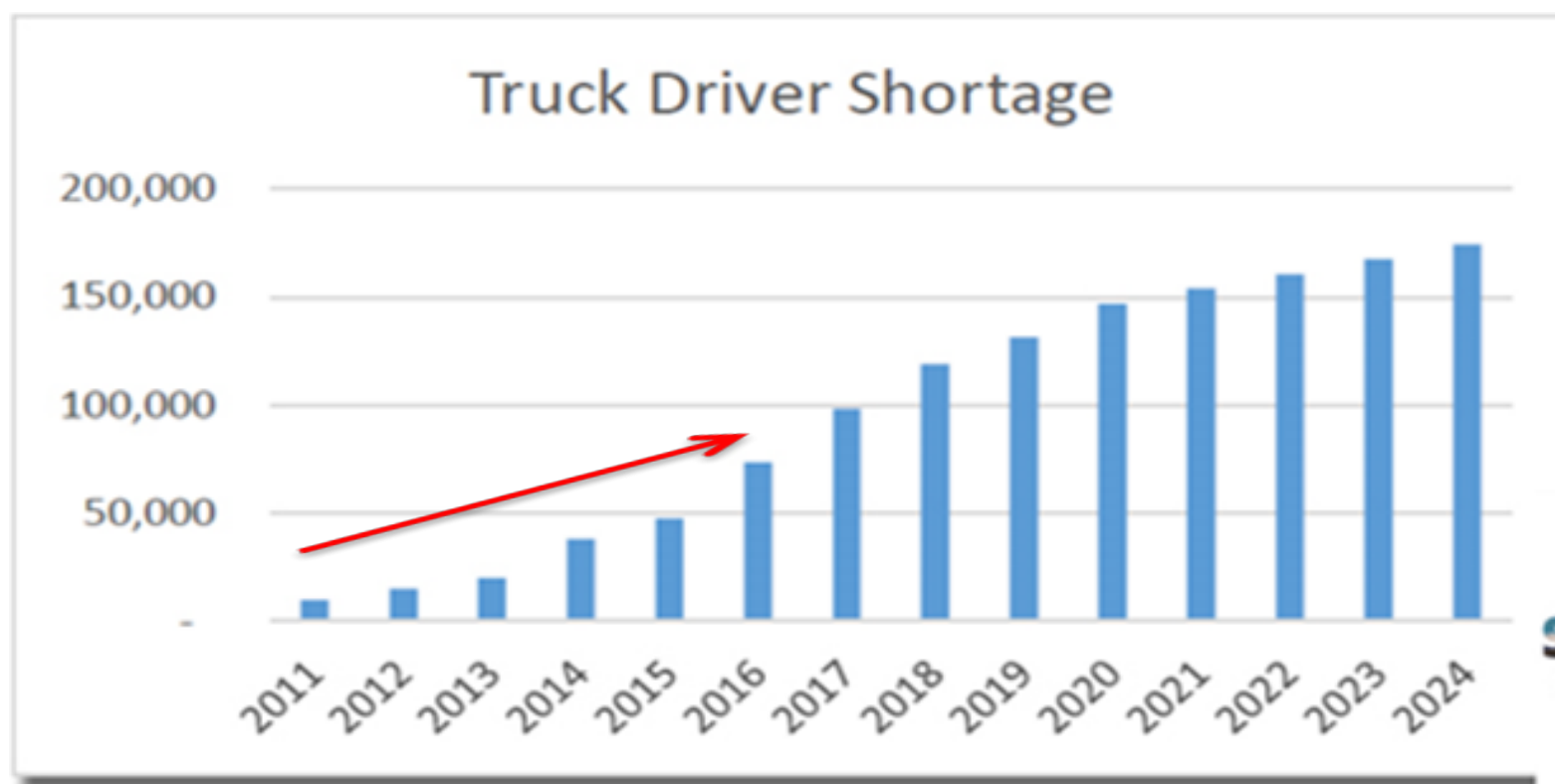
Driver Shortage / Driver Turnover?

What's your view on the driver shortage?



Source: Overdrive Magazine February 2016

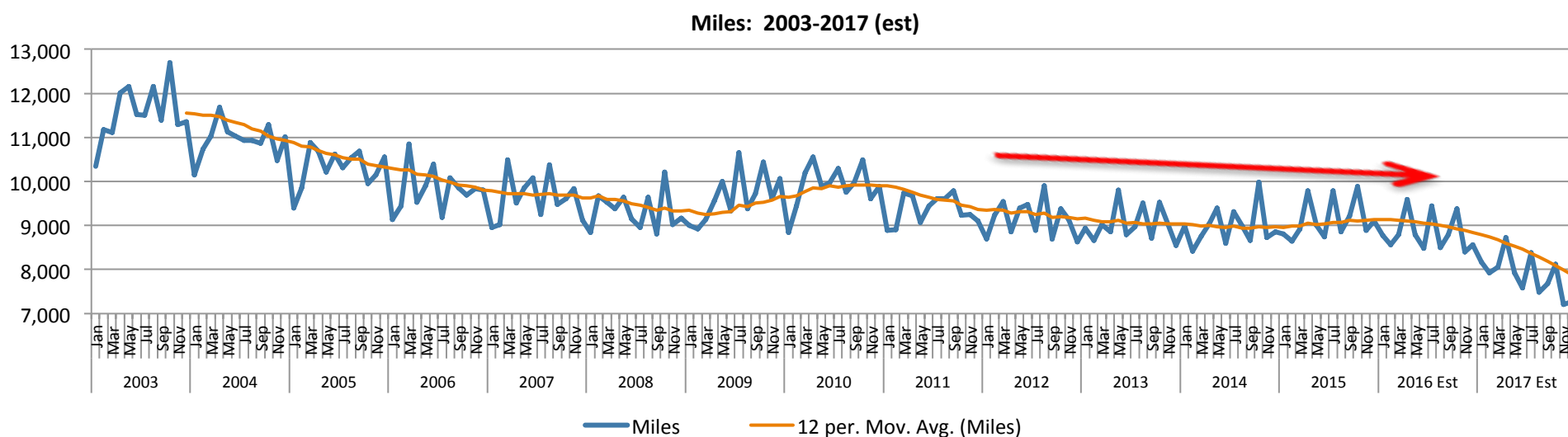
Predicted Driver Shortage 2011-2016



Source: ATA Truck Driver Shortage Analysis 2015



Miles have decreased



Source: ATBS Independent Contractor Benchmarking Report 2016

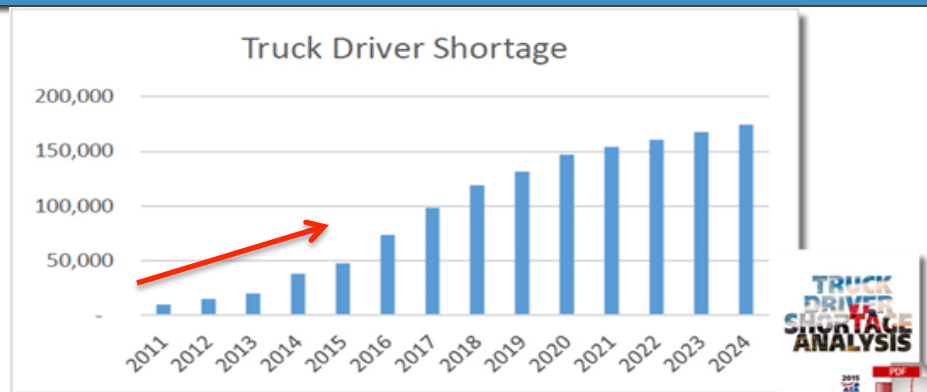
Actual Truck Tonnage 2011-2016



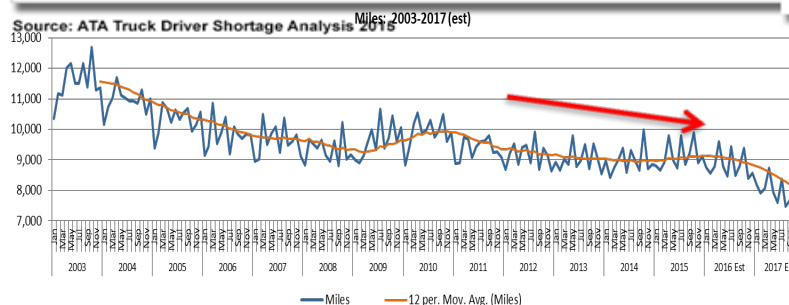
Source: Federal Reserve Economic Data

Shortage – Miles - Tonnage

Predicted Driver
Shortage 2011-2016



Miles have
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Actual Loads
Hauled 2011-2016



Turnover

In 2015, turnover at large fleets averaged 93% for the entire year.

Source: HDT July 2016

Driver Shortage or Driver Turnover

Would we have a “Driver Shortage” if turnover was at 50% instead of 93%?

Would we have 93% turnover if freight rates supported \$70,000 driver income?

Why do drivers leave

Drivers leave when the demands of the work exceed the rewards of the work. - Jon Hall Ph.D

Truck drivers need to make \$70,000. - Don Schneider


Pay Won't Change Until Shippers Feel It



Source: Federal Reserve Economic Data

Compensation Drives Turnover

Quick Facts: Heavy and Tractor-trailer Truck Drivers

<u>2015 Median Pay</u>	\$40,260 per year \$19.36 per hour	
<u>Typical Entry-Level Education</u>	Postsecondary nondegree award	
<u>Work Experience in a Related Occupation</u>	None	
<u>On-the-job Training</u>	Short-term on-the-job training	
<u>Number of Jobs, 2014</u>	1,797,700	
<u>Job Outlook, 2014-24</u>	5% (As fast as average)	
<u>Employment Change, 2014-24</u>	98,800	

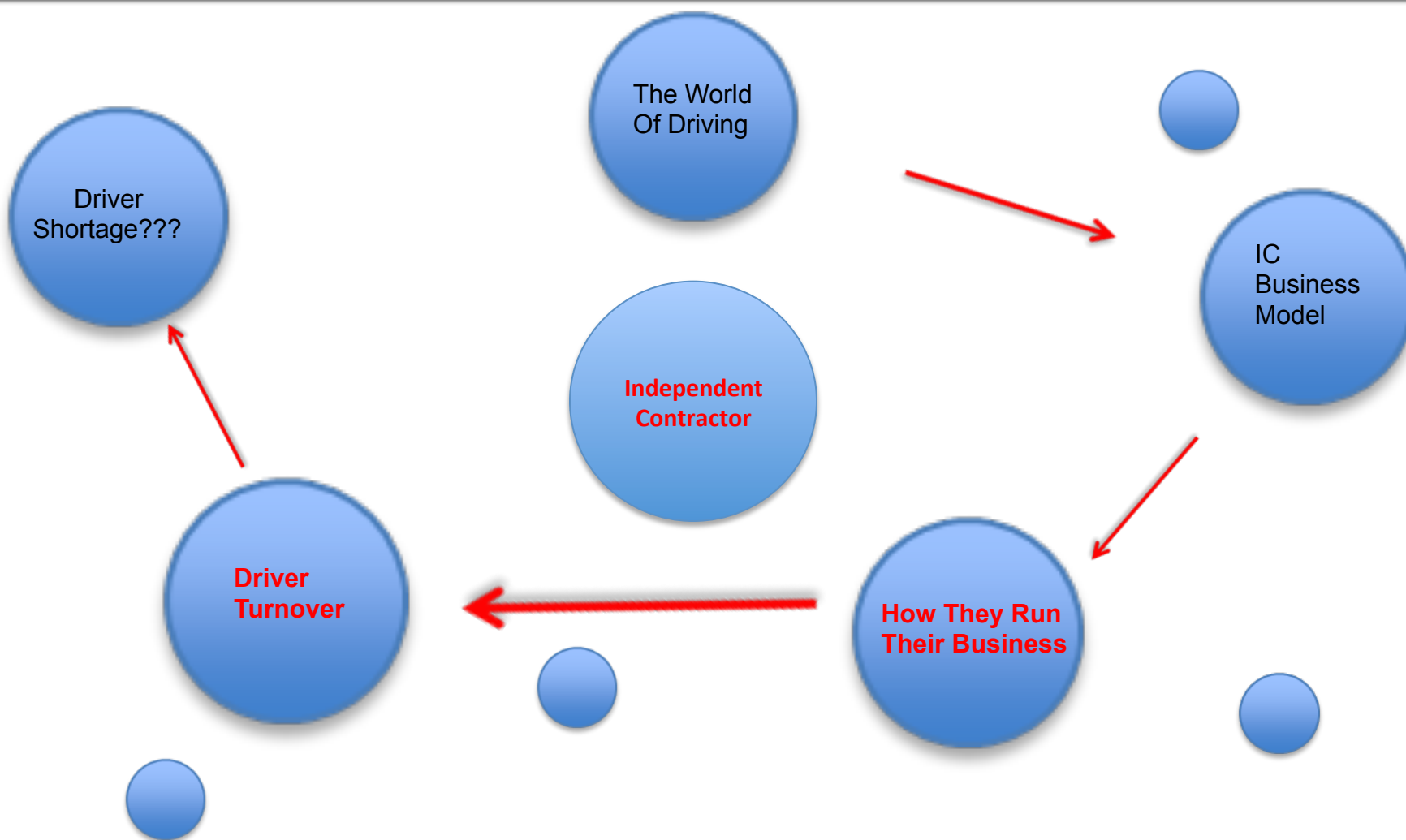
Source: Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics 2015

Compensation Drives Turnover

Industry	Employment (1)	Percent of industry employment	Hourly mean wage	Annual mean wage (2)
General Freight Trucking ←	602,940	61.14	\$20.99	\$43,660 ←
Specialized Freight Trucking ←	245,700	53.82	\$20.58	\$42,810 ←
Grocery and Related Product Merchant Wholesalers	65,150	8.81	\$22.40	\$46,590
Cement and Concrete Product Manufacturing ←	55,970	30.13	\$18.96	\$39,430 ←
Other Specialty Trade Contractors	41,170	6.65	\$19.26	\$40,060

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics 2015

Connect the Dots



The Owner-Operator Advantage

To make more money, the company driver has to run more miles.

To make more money, the owner-operator can run more miles and can also manage cost.

How They Run Their Business

1. Can you explain fixed expense?
2. Can you use fixed expense in your regular decisions?

The Rules of Fixed Expense

1. Know your number
 - a. Current average is \$128 per day
2. Must use it 365 days per year
3. Use it in connection with any question or decision related to time.
 - a. How much time-off can I afford?
 - b. Should I layover to take a better paying load tomorrow?

The Rules of Fixed Expense

1. Know your number
 - a. Current average is \$128 per day
2. Must use it 365 days per year
3. Use it in connection with any question or decision related to time.

Question: \$1,280 in reserve. Truck does not generate revenue for 10 days. How much is left in reserve?

The Reward of Fixed Expense

- What does it cost to switch carriers?
- Which load is the better load?
- Instead of one load between Philadelphia and Chicago should I split it up into two loads?

The cost to switch fleets

Owner-Operator	\$15,000
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Lease Purchase Contractor	\$7,500
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Company Driver	\$4,000
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Which is the Better Load?

Two loads from Cleveland to Chicago – 349 miles

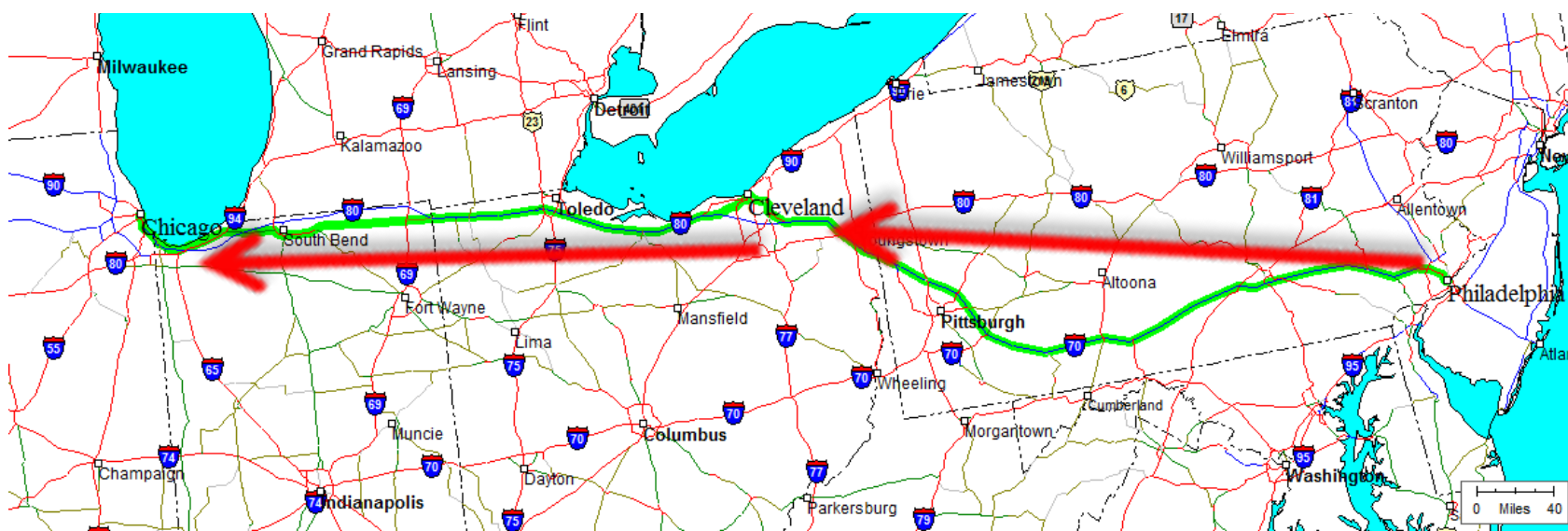
Pick up today and deliver tomorrow for \$2.00 per mile = \$754.00

Layover today, pick up tomorrow for \$2.50 per mile = \$942.50

One Load or Two?

Trucking has a built-in conflict between time and distance.

You can't control the distance between two points but you can control the TIME between two points.



Helpful?

Last Words

We can recruit drivers but can't keep them.

The key to keeping them?



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Thank you

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Independent Contractor Benchmarking (ICB)

A Guide To Independent Contractor Success



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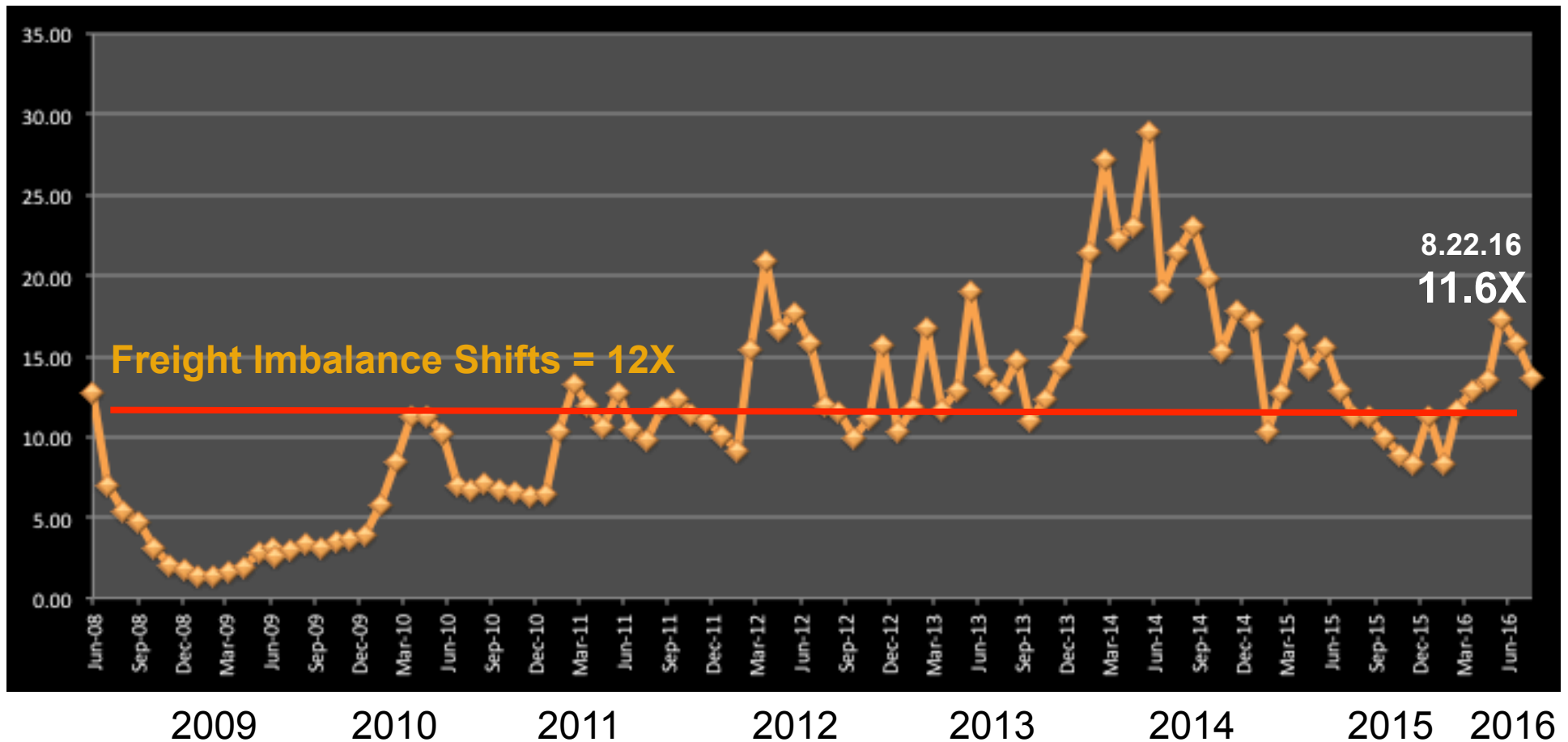


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2016 ICB Big Trends

- Miles reversed their downward trend
- Spot market rates plummeted
- Reduced Fuel costs helped net income
- Bigger truck payments offset with efficiencies
- OO market is shrinking with slow freight

ITS - Broker Load vs Truck Index

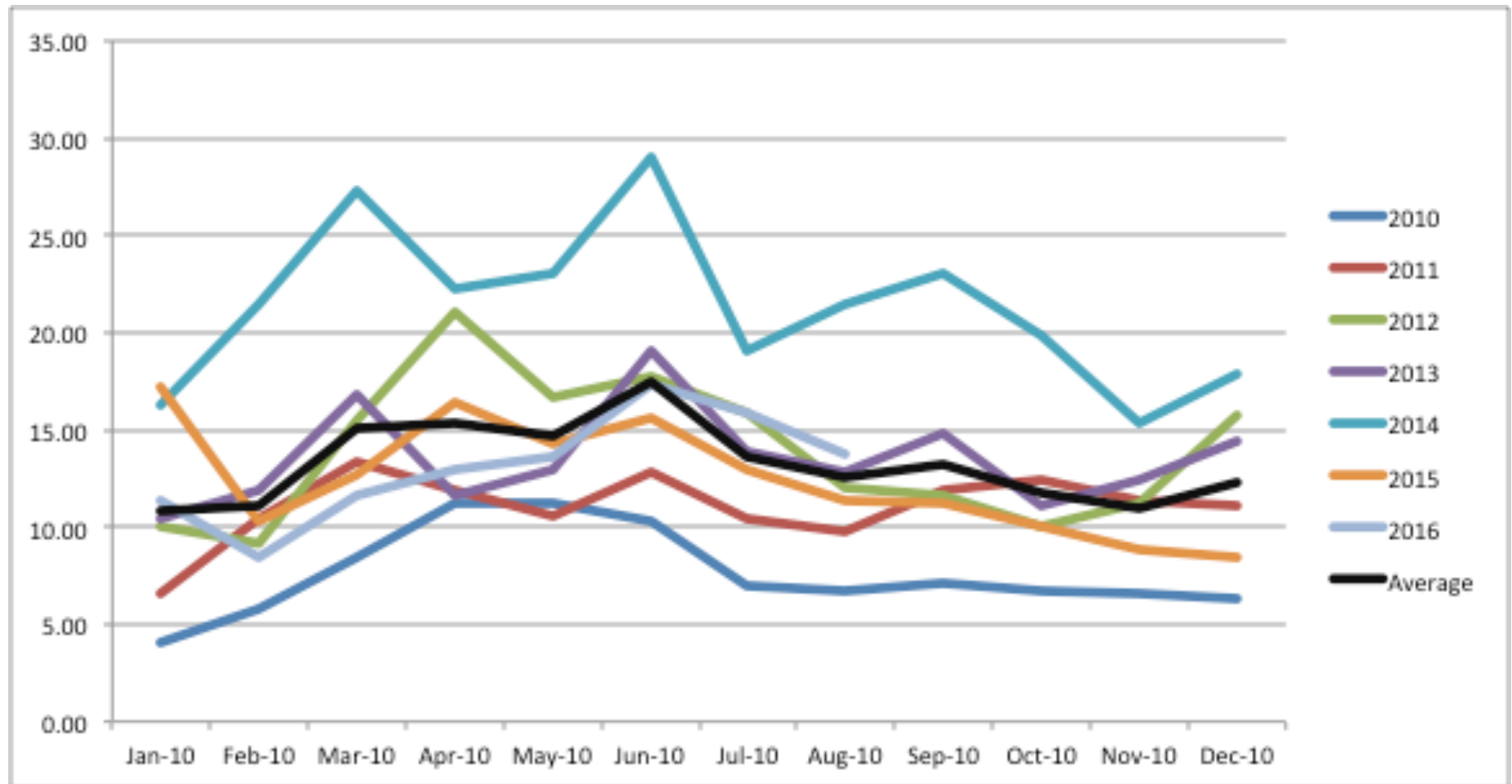


Source: ITS Trans4cast Letter

Independent Contractor Benchmarking (ICB)
Fourth Quarter - 2014



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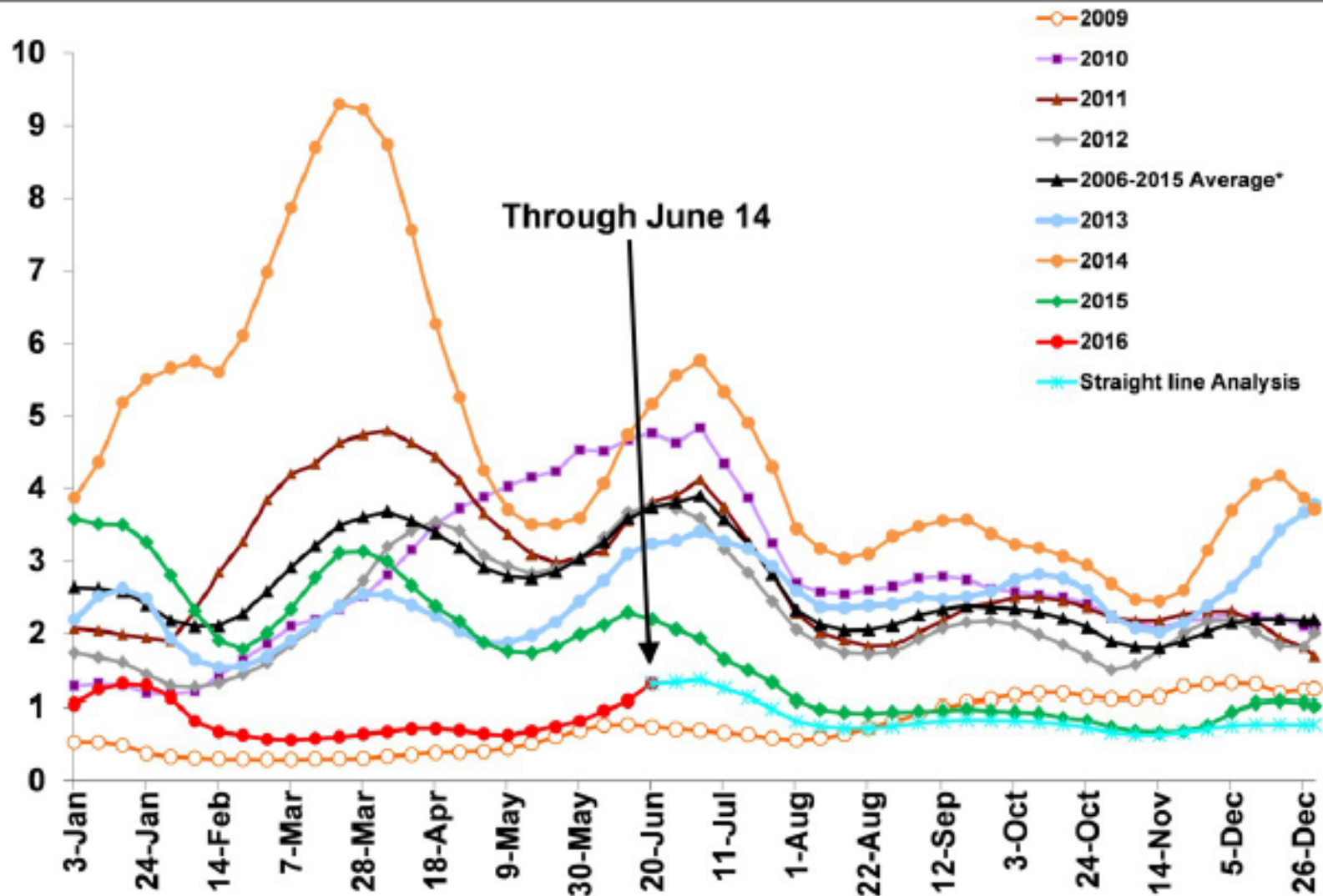


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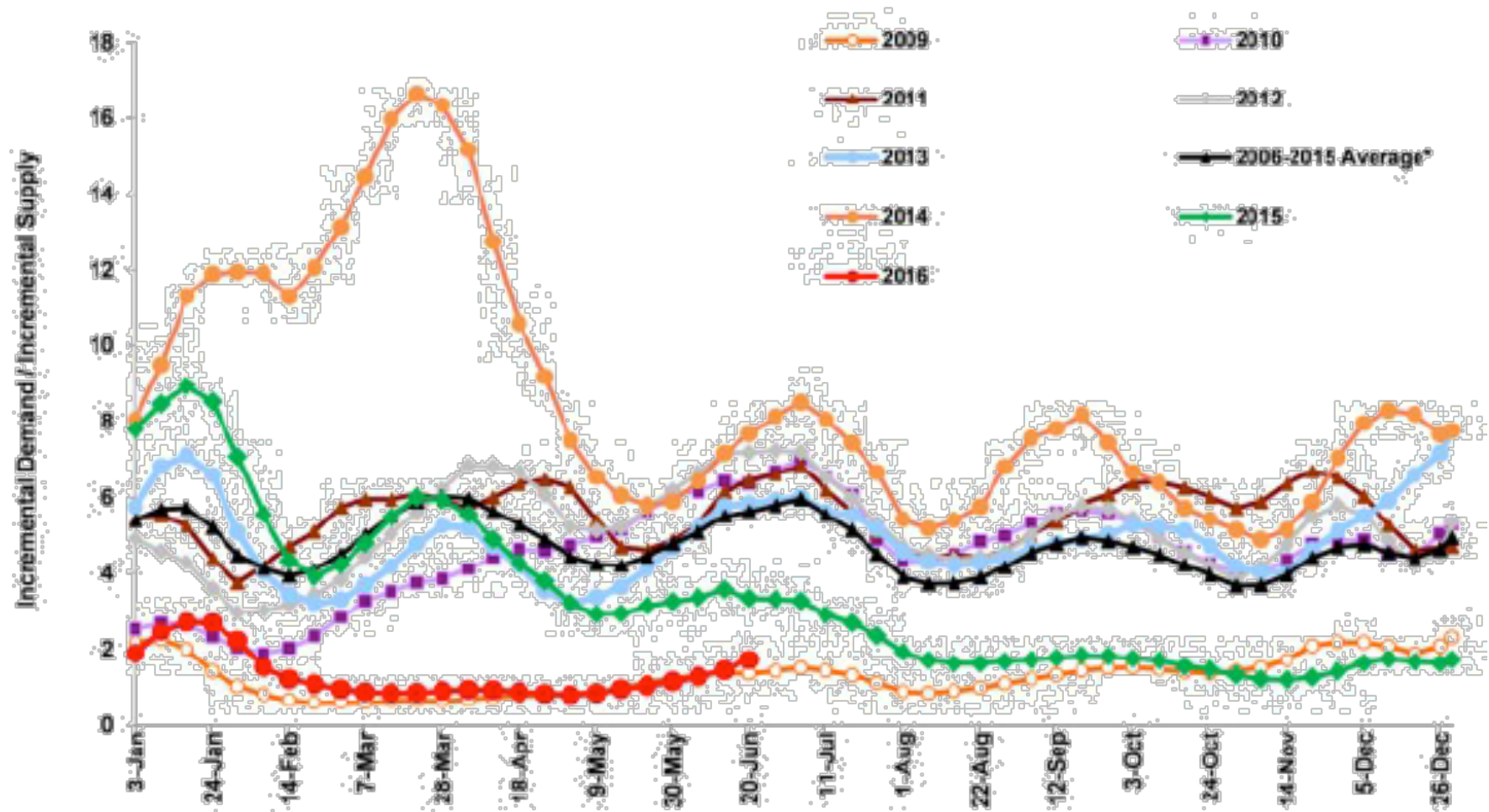
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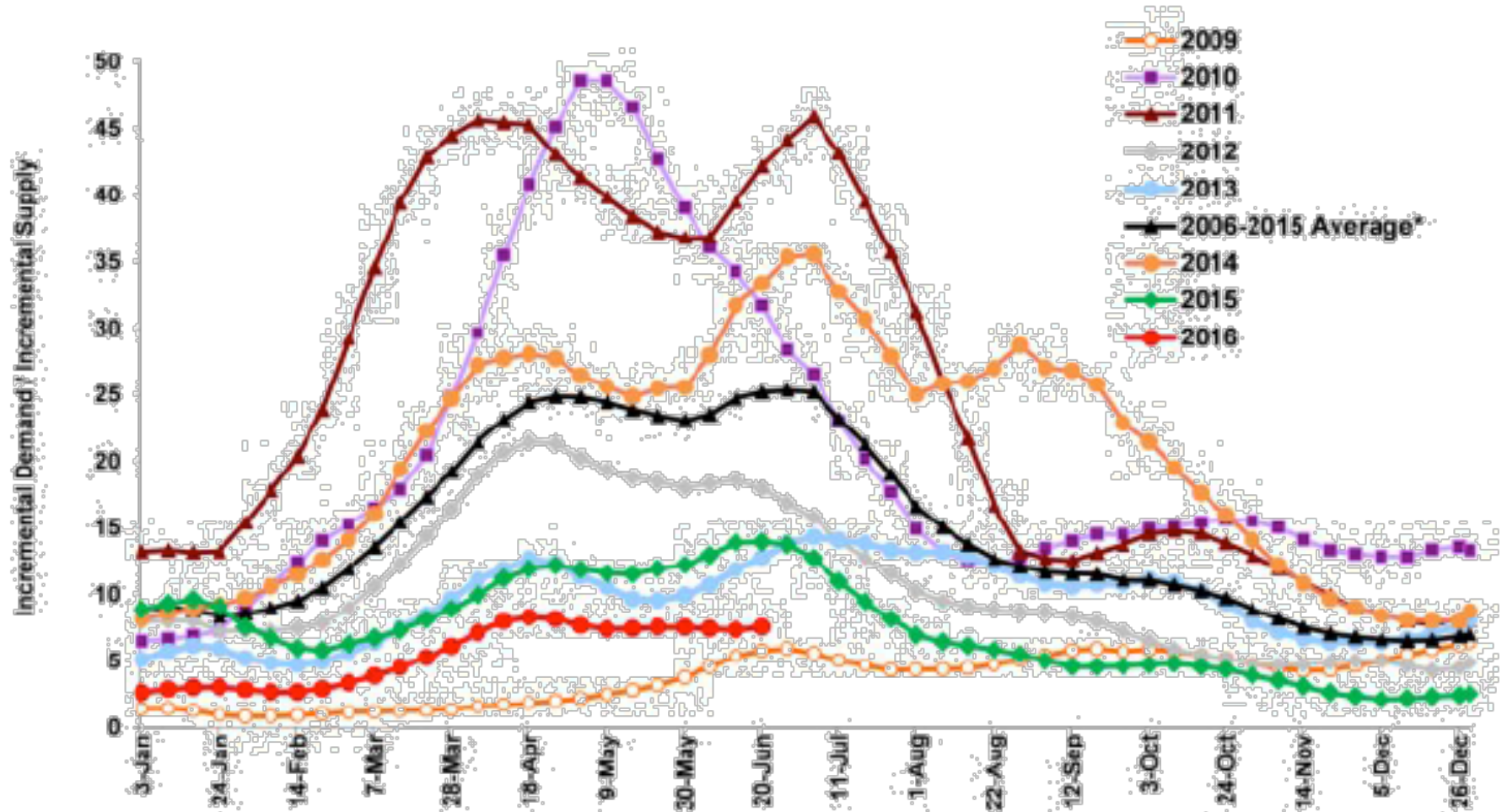
Morgan Stanley – Dry Index



Morgan Stanley – Reefer Index



Morgan Stanley – Flatbed Index



Methodology of Data

- Sample Size = thousands of owner-operators in each market segment
- Most recent 24 months including an average of each 12 month period
- **Specific Fleet Benchmark data is for Fourth Quarter 2015**
- “Scale” remains consistent across each group of charts
- “Avg All Market Segments” is a weighted average of the “segments”, taking into account the percent of clients in each market segment
- Data Tables are available from ATBS



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Operating Analysis

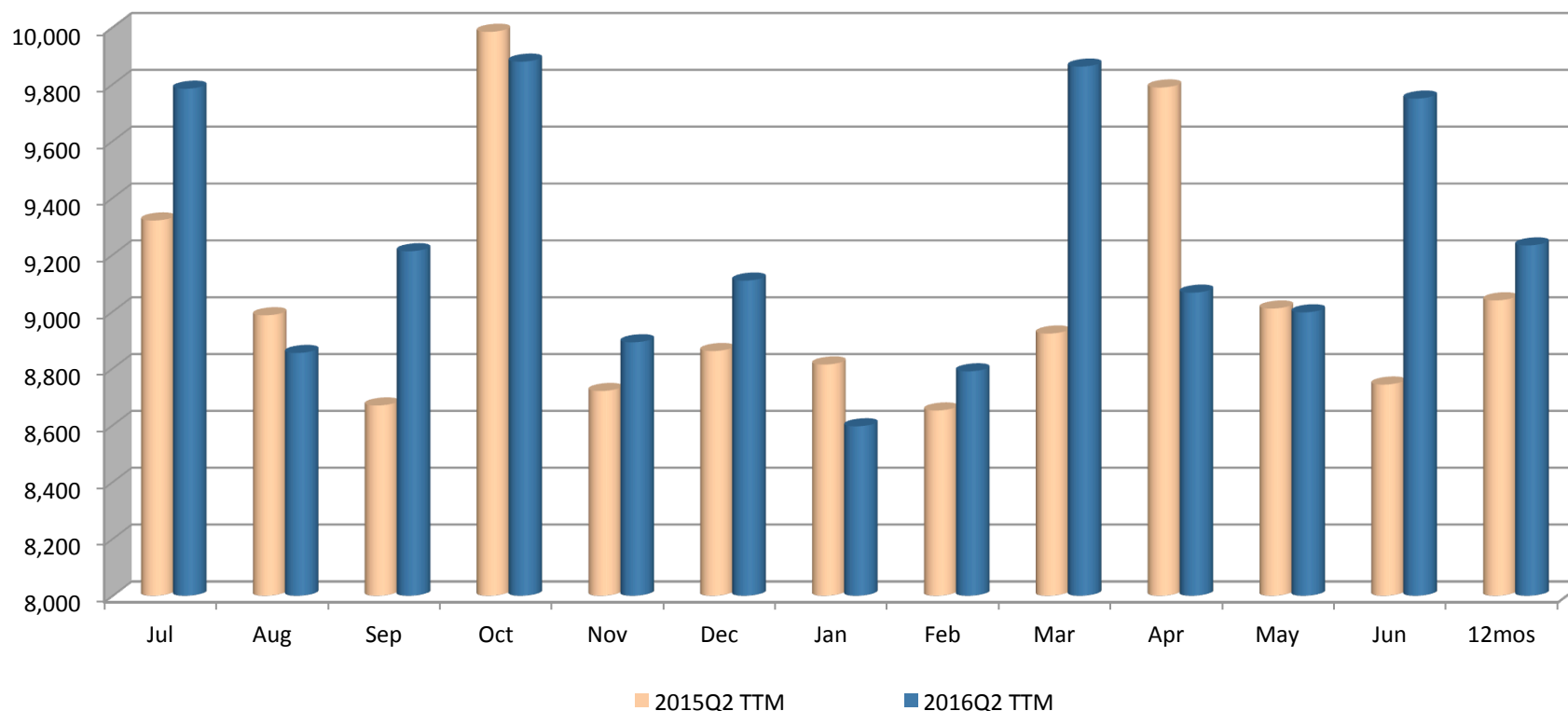
By Independent Contractor Segment

Independents, Dry, Reefer, Flatbed,
& Average of All Segments



Miles – Avg All Market Segments

Miles - Average All Segments



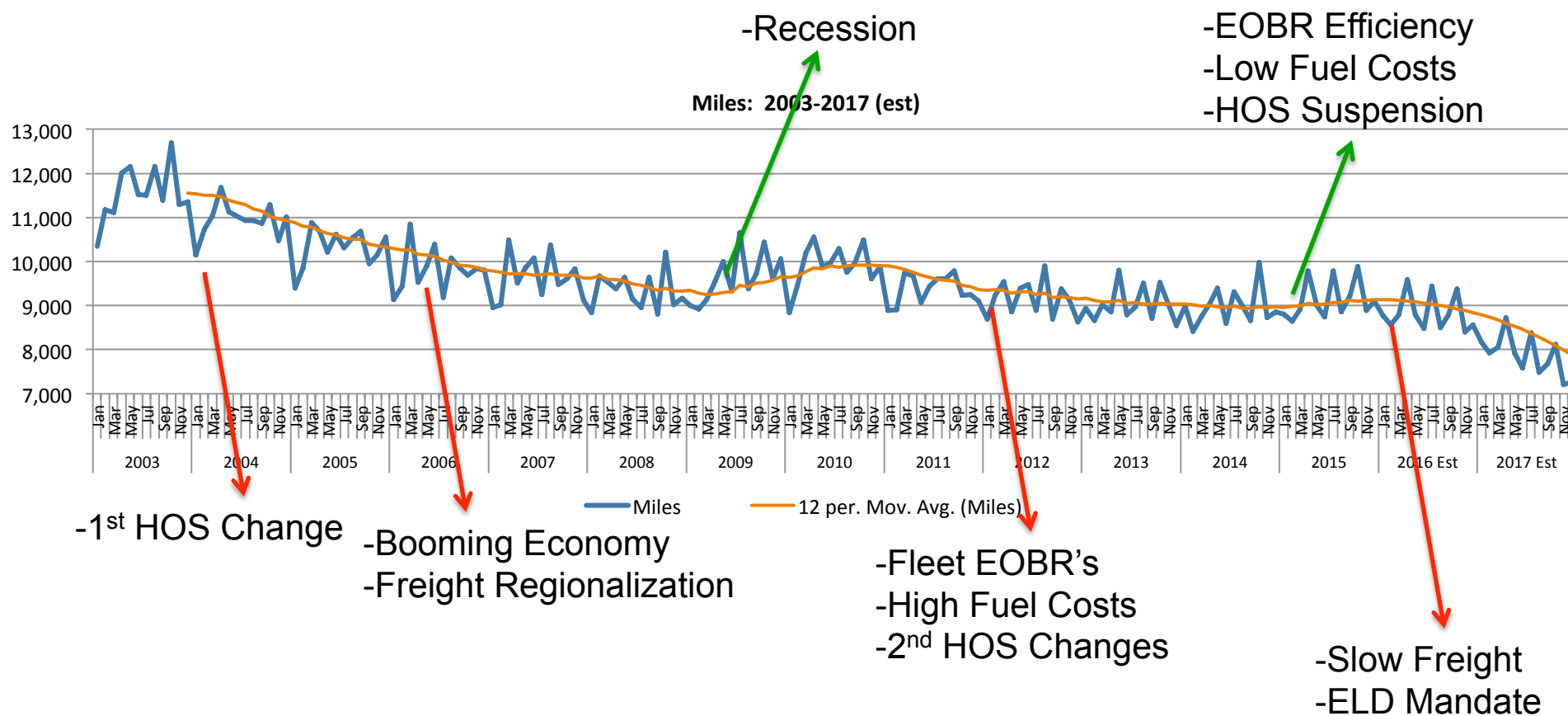
2015Q2 vs 2016Q2: **+2.1%** **+2,319** to 110,793

Independent
Dry
Reefer
Flat

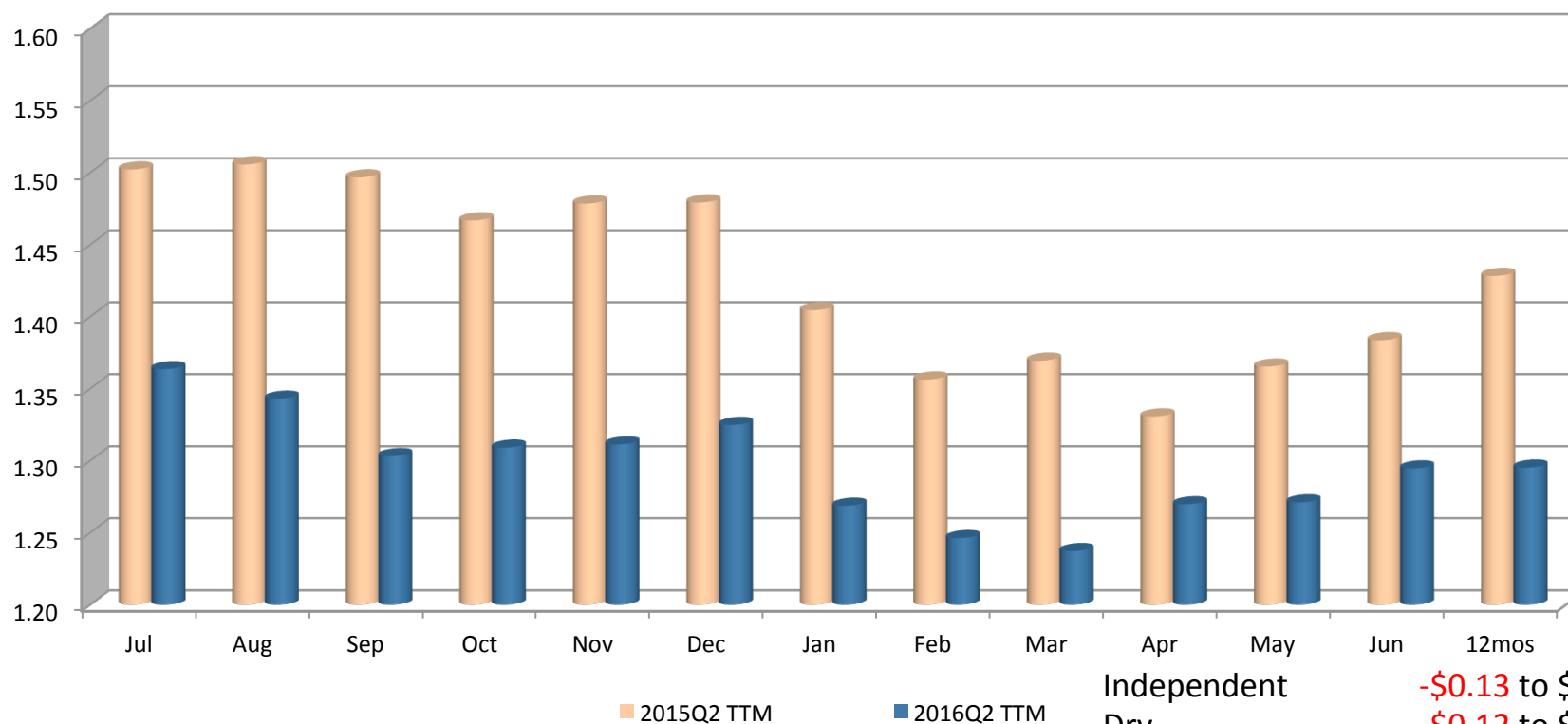
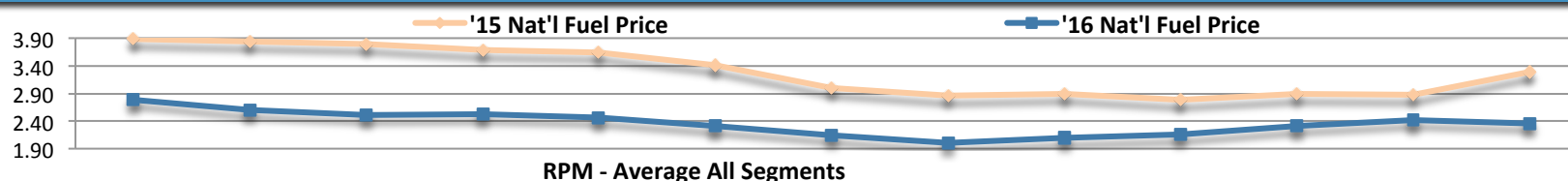
+0.8% to 99,940
+2.4% to 115,866
+4.2% to 126,292
+0.3% to 90,426

Miles 2003–2017 (Est.)

Average All Market Segments



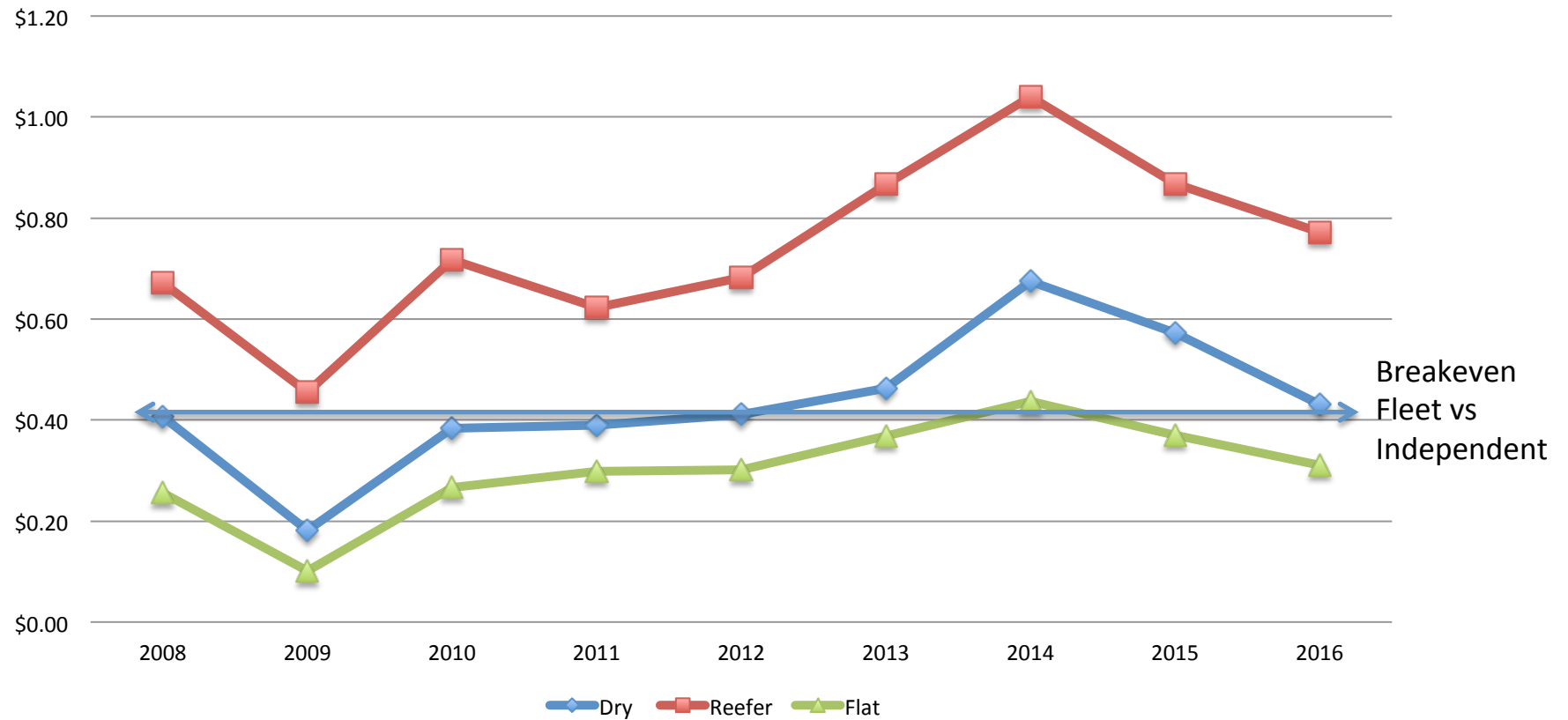
RPM – Avg All Market Segments



2015Q2 vs 2016Q2: **-9.3%** **-\$0.13 to \$1.30**

Independent	-\$0.13 to \$1.41
Dry	-\$0.12 to \$1.23
Reefer	-\$0.14 to \$1.18
Flat	-\$0.18 to \$1.62

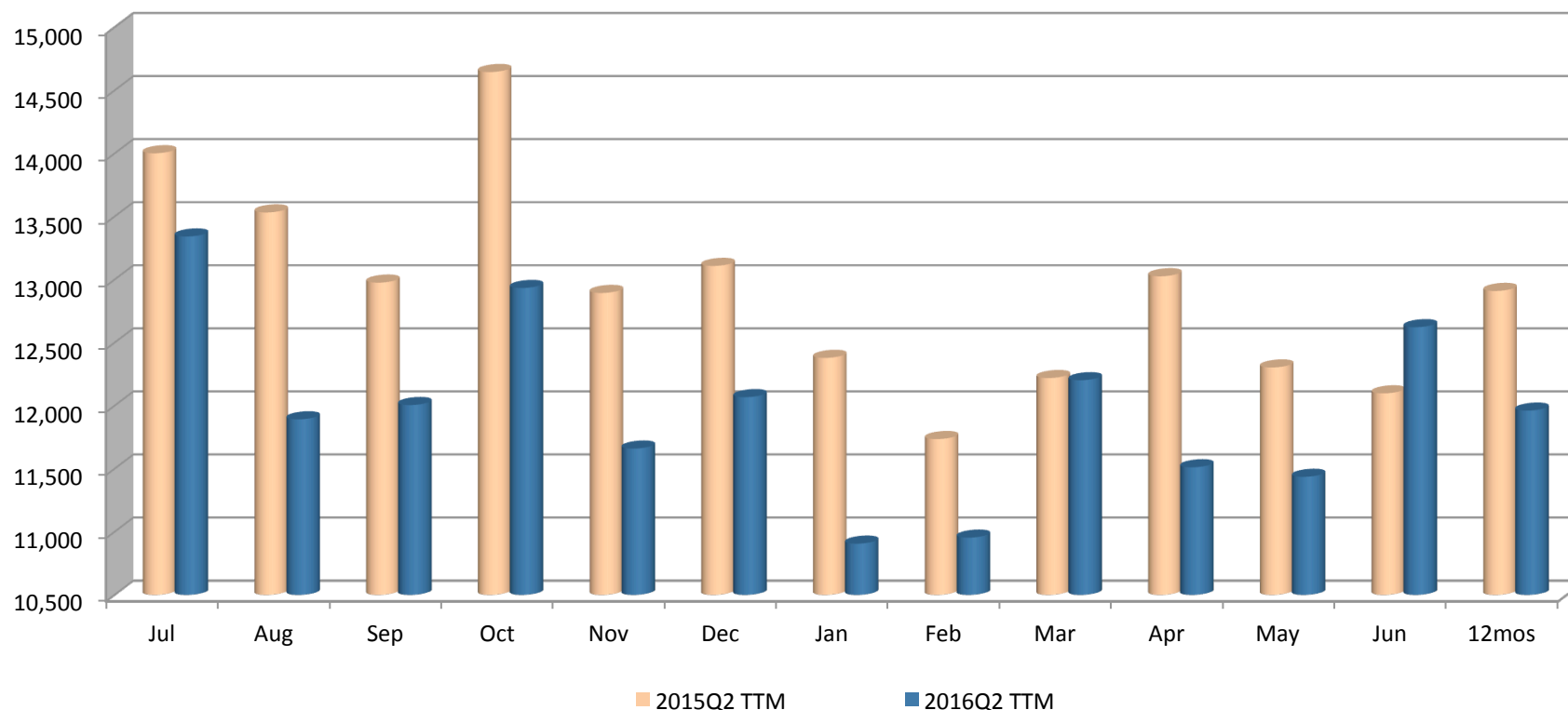
Spot market rates vs ATBS ICB fleet rates



Indep Cost Increase	\$ Amount	Per Mile
License, Permit, IFTA, etc	\$3,000	0.03
Additional Insurance	\$5,500	0.05
Trailer	\$7,000	0.06
Book, Bill & Collect Loads	\$5,000	0.05
Operational Losses, ELD's (drop & Hook)	\$25,000	0.23
TOTAL	\$45,500	0.42

Gross Revenue – Average All Market Segments

Revenue - Average All Segments

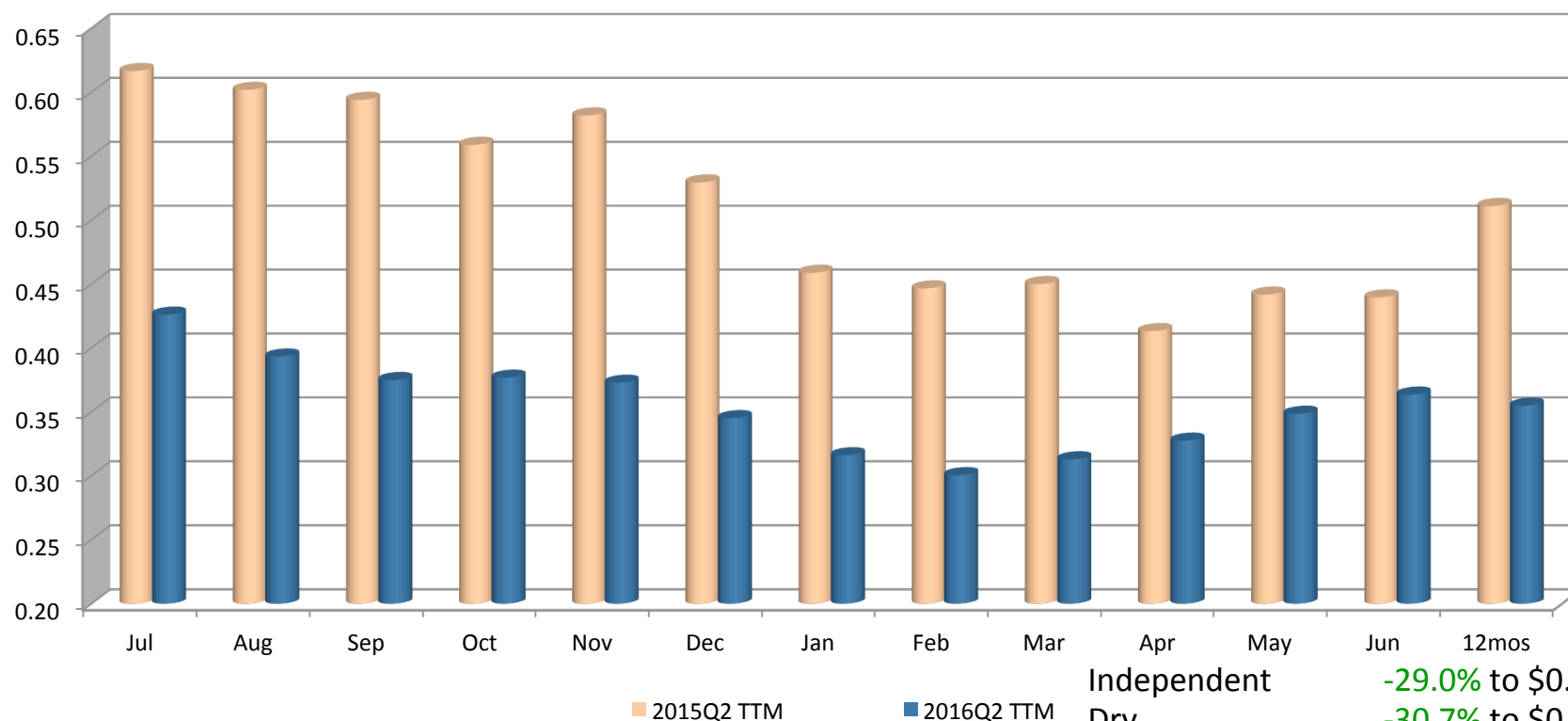
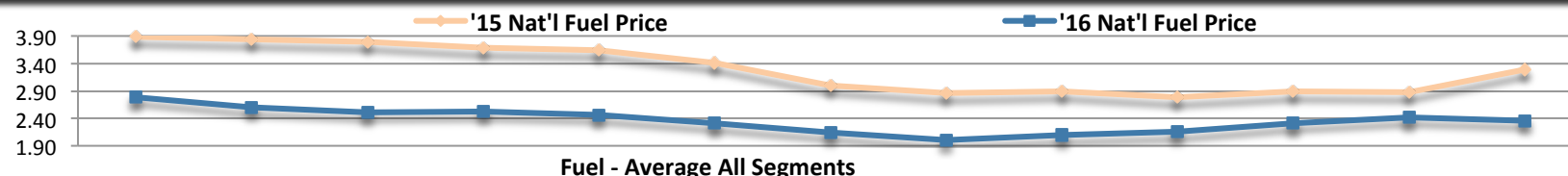


2015Q2 vs 2016Q2: **-7.4%** **-\$11,387** to \$143,537

Independent
Dry
Reefer
Flat

-7.5% to \$140,687
-7.0% to \$142,704
-6.6% to \$149,420
-9.5% to \$146,433

Fuel CPM – Avg All Market Segments

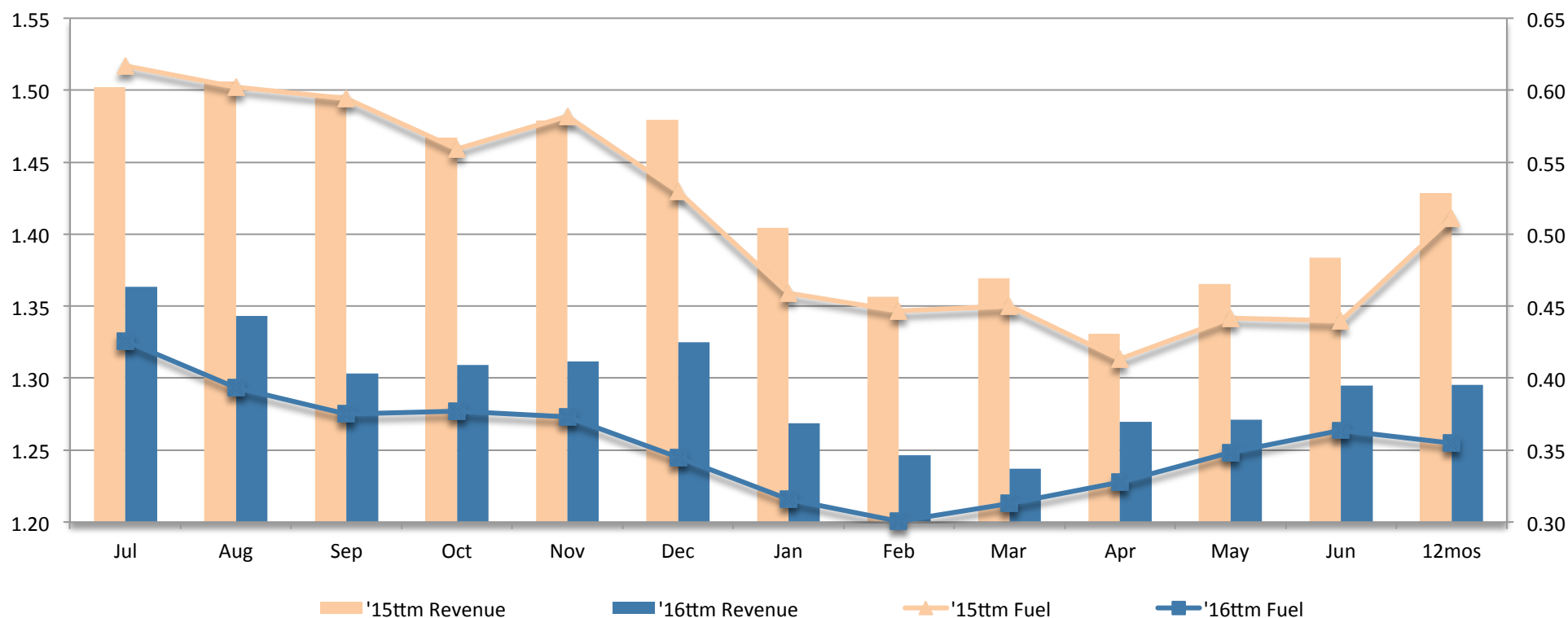


2015Q2 vs 2016Q2: **-30.5% down \$0.16 to \$0.36**

Independent	-29.0% to \$0.37
Dry	-30.7% to \$0.34
Reefer	-29.1% to \$0.36
Flat	-34.4% to \$0.39

Revenue CPM vs. Fuel CPM – Average All Market Segments

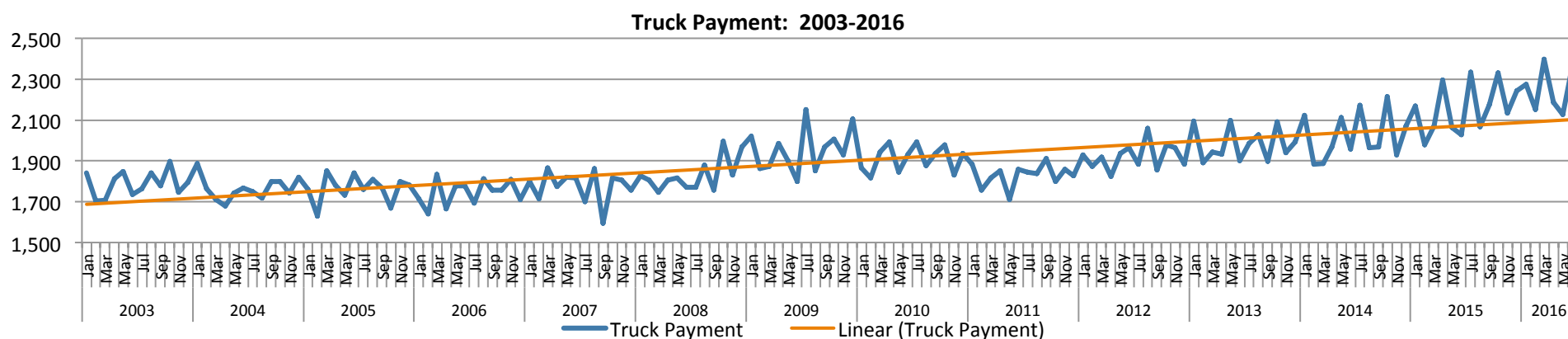
Rev/mi vs. Fuel/mi - Average All Segments



2015 vs 2016 Revenue CPM: **-9.3% down \$0.13 to \$1.30 Decrease of \$11,387**
 2015 vs 2016 Fuel CPM: **-30.5% down \$0.16 to \$0.36 Decrease of \$16,072**

Truck Payment 2003–2016

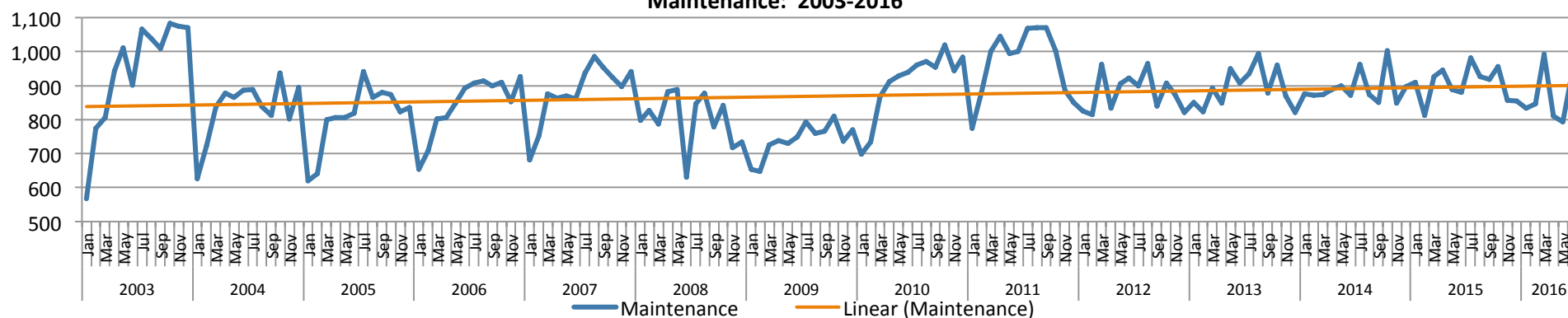
Average All Market Segments



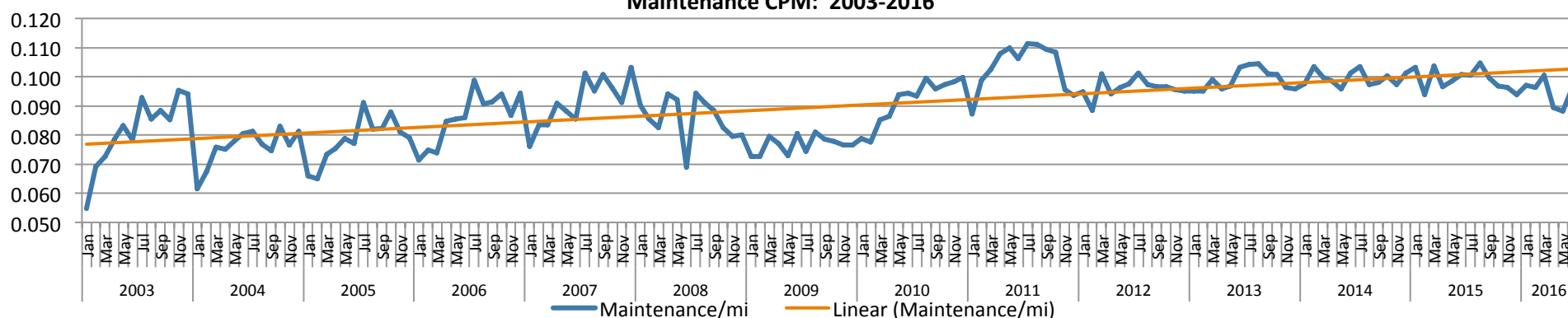
Maintenance 2003–2016

Average All Market Segments

Maintenance: 2003-2016

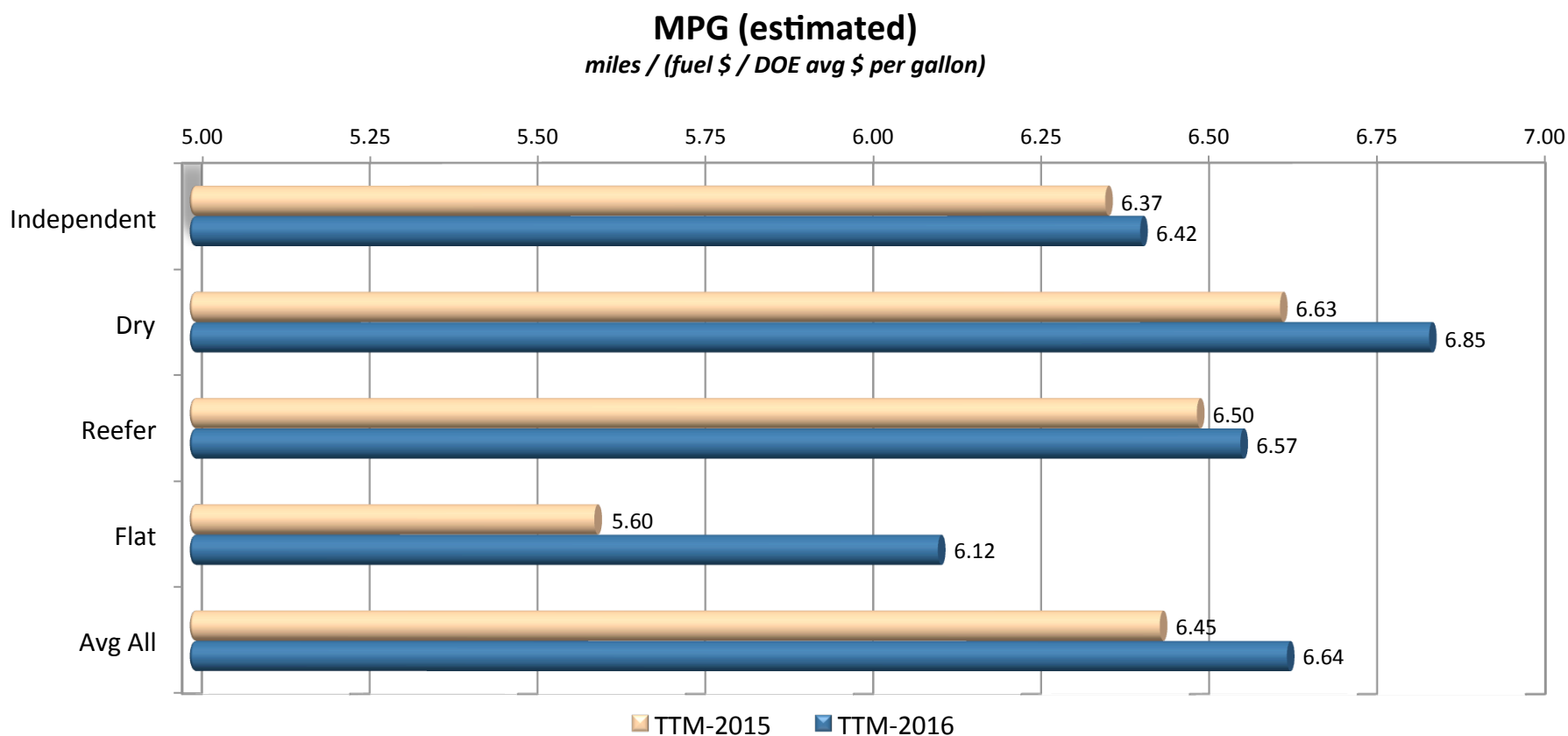


Maintenance CPM: 2003-2016



Estimated Avg MPG – 2016 TTM

Miles / (Fuel \$ / DOE avg \$ per gallon)





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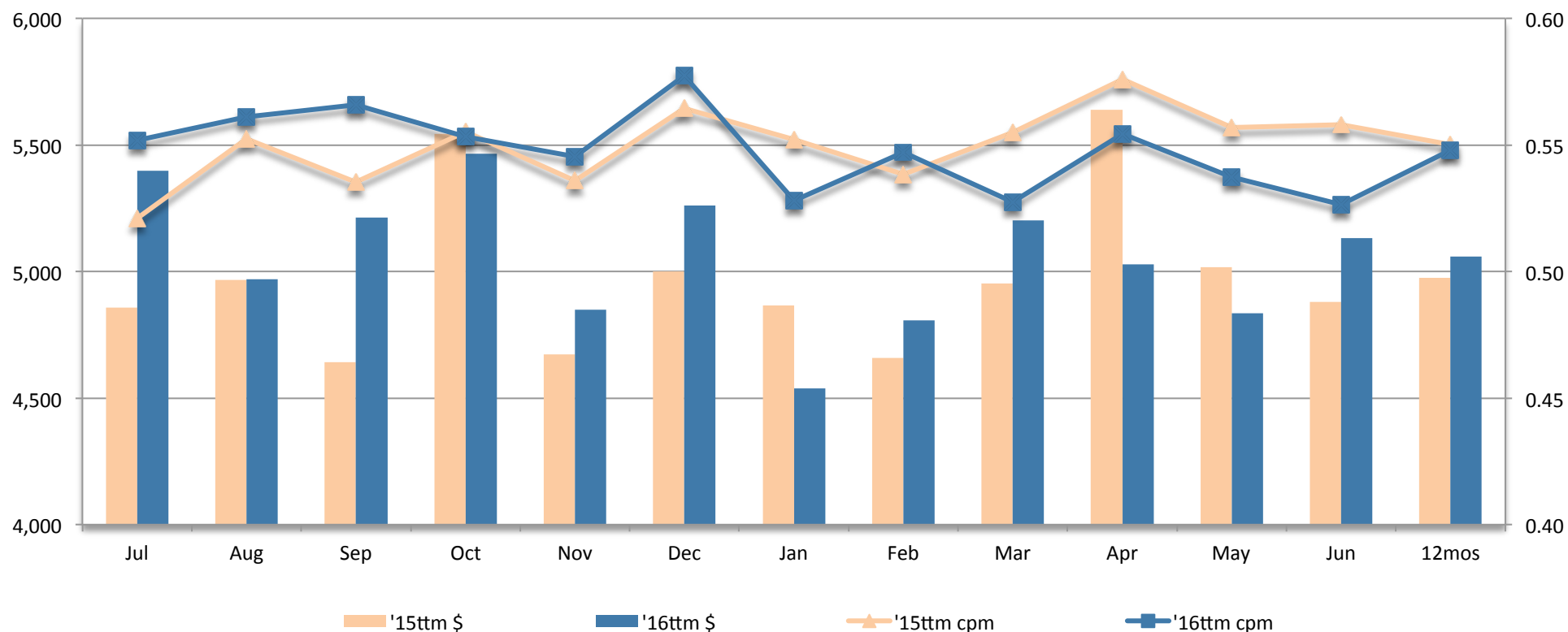
Net Income

Dollars vs Cents Per Mile (CPM)



Net Income – Avg All Market Segments

Net Income - Average All Segments



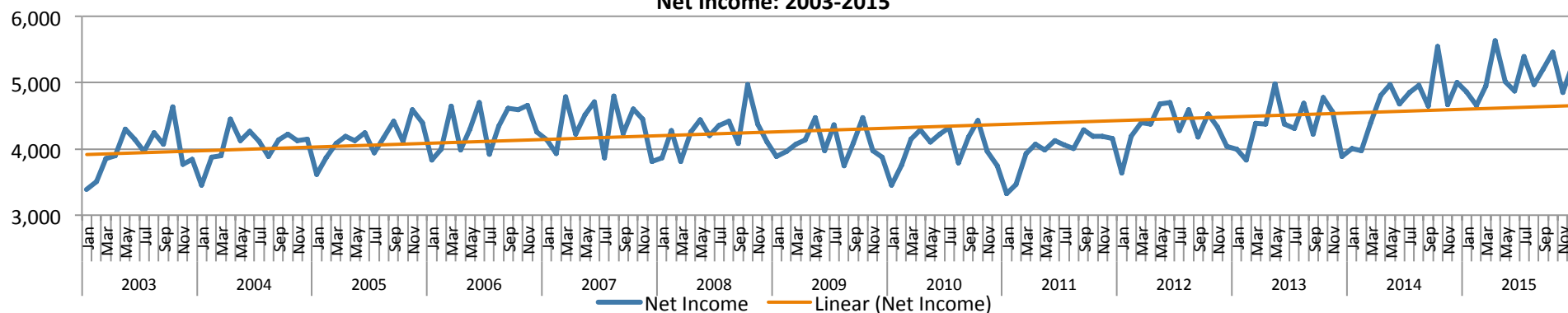
2015Q2 vs 2016Q2: **+1.7% up \$1,007 to \$60,700**

Independent	-\$2,372 to \$61,182
Dry	+\$2,990 to \$60,964
Reefer	+\$1,544 to \$54,018
Flat	-\$1,395 to \$67,477

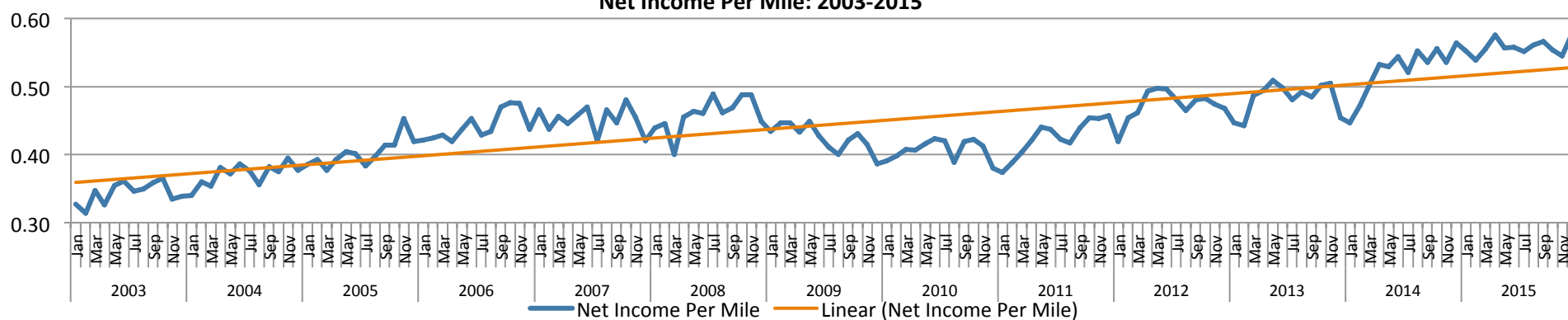
Net Income 2003–2015

Average All Market Segments

Net Income: 2003-2015

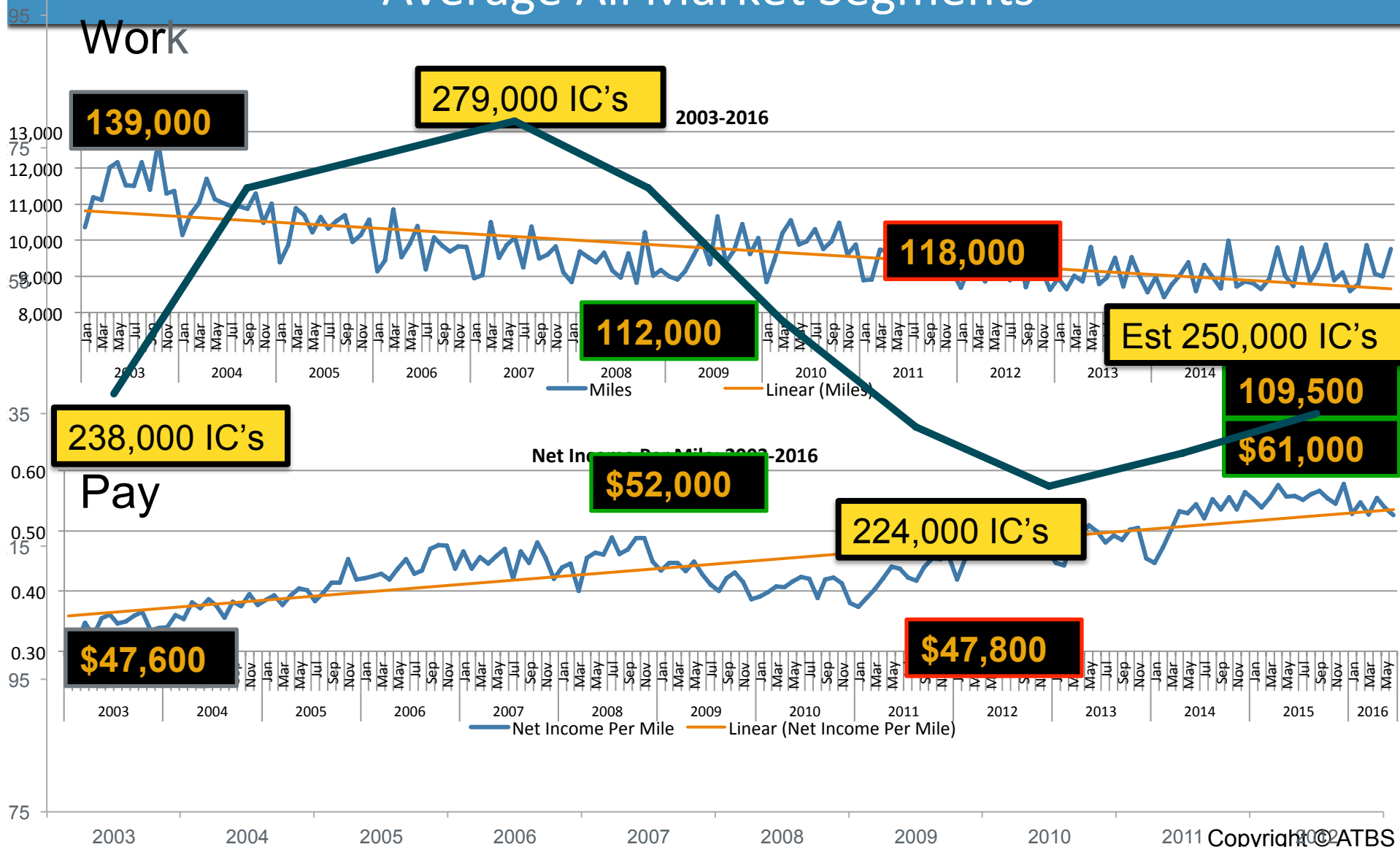


Net Income Per Mile: 2003-2015



Net Income 2003–2016

Average All Market Segments



2016 to 2017 - ICB Predictions

- IC miles will remain higher thru 2016, then start to go down with ELDs in mid 2017
- Net Income will be flat to down with a slow freight market – fuel dependent
- Fragmented Capacity will begin to consolidate under ELD mandate
- By 2017 Net Rates will increase 10%+

Thanks for being here!

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