

# **North American Heat Pump Market Overview- 2011**

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## **PRESENTATION TO COVER**

- Typical North American Products
- Recent Market Developments
  - Impact of Economic Environment
  - Shifts in Heating Equipment Sales
- Minimum Efficiency Standards
  - Move to Regional Standards

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## Applications & Products

- **Systems in NA different from those in Europe and Asia**
  - Residential systems primarily split air-to-air
  - Commercial systems split or packaged systems
  - In south and southwest U.S. packaged - outdoor installation
  - Ductless systems have relatively small sales
  - Water loop hps and packaged terminal hps used in many commercial buildings
  - Ground-coupled heat pump and HPWH sales growing

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## Split System Products



### Outdoor Units



### Furnace & Coil

### Indoor Units



### Fan Coil



### Ductless Terminal

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## Packaged Products



**Rooftop Heat Pump**



**Room Air Conditioner**



**Water Source HP**



**Packaged Terminal**

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## **MARKET DRIVERS**

- Decline in New Building Starts
  - Tight Money Environment
  - Large Inventory of Existing Homes for Sale
- Increased Oil and Natural Gas Prices
- Growth in Add-on and Replacement Market
- Incentives for Higher Efficiency Products



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## **IMPACT OF ECONOMIC CRISIS**

- Abrupt Drop in New Building Starts in U.S. in 2006
  - Parallel Decline in Sale of Existing Homes
  - Banks Stopped Loaning Money for Mortgages
- Widespread Foreclosures - Many Homes are “Under water” with market value less than money owed to bank
- Decline in starts halted in 2011 – Situation Still Difficult
- Full Recovery Not Likely in Near Future

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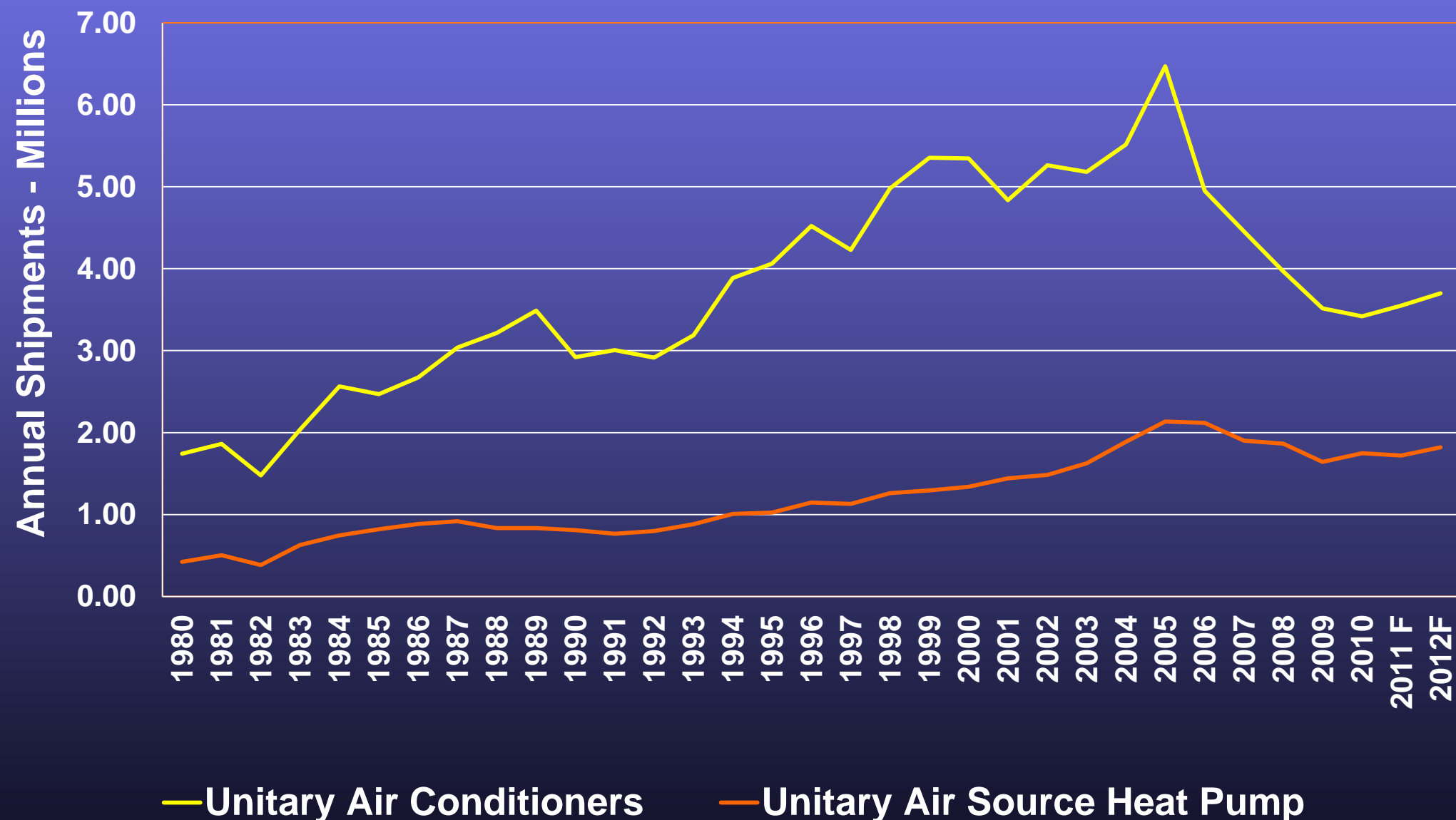




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## Heat Pump & A.C. Shipment History

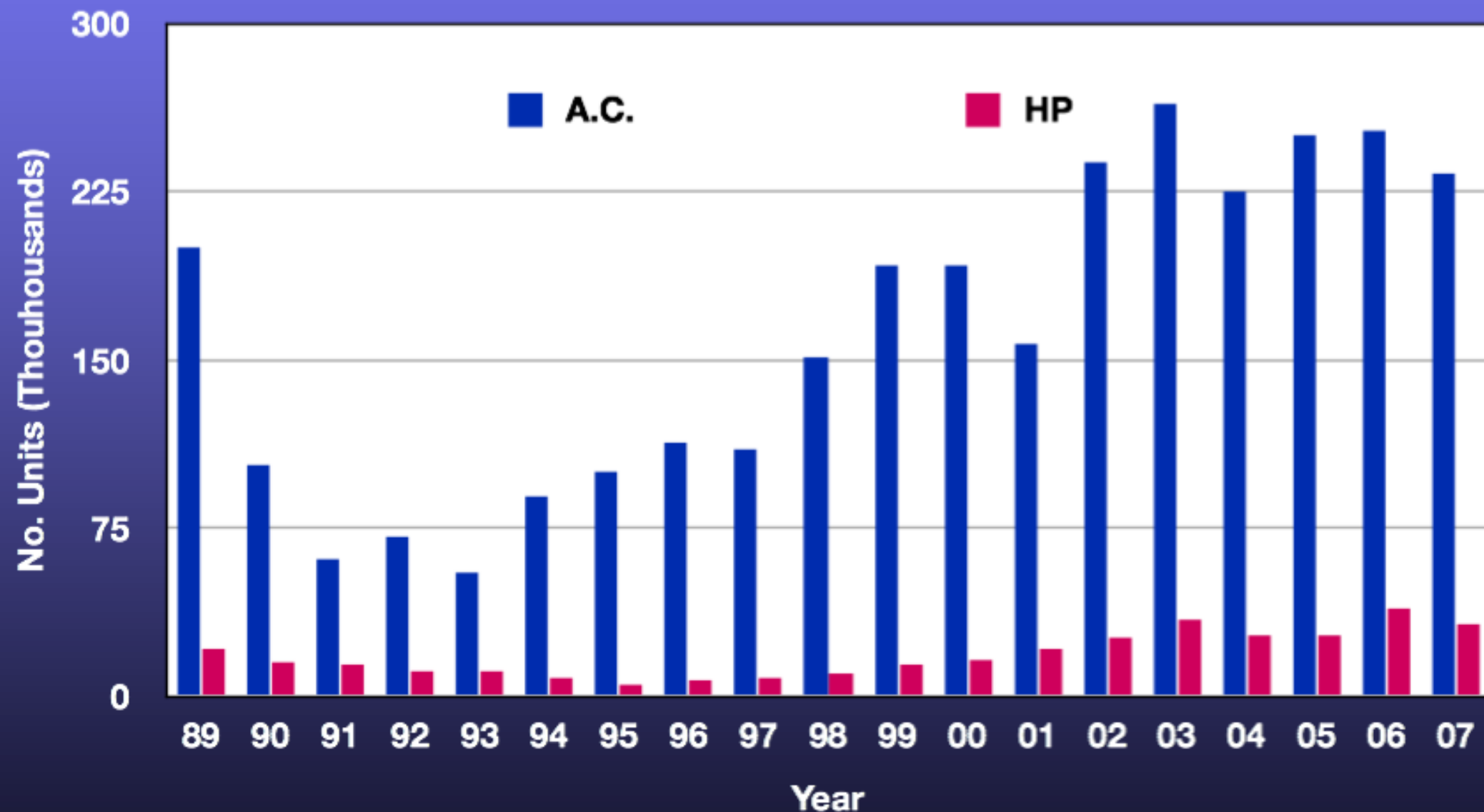
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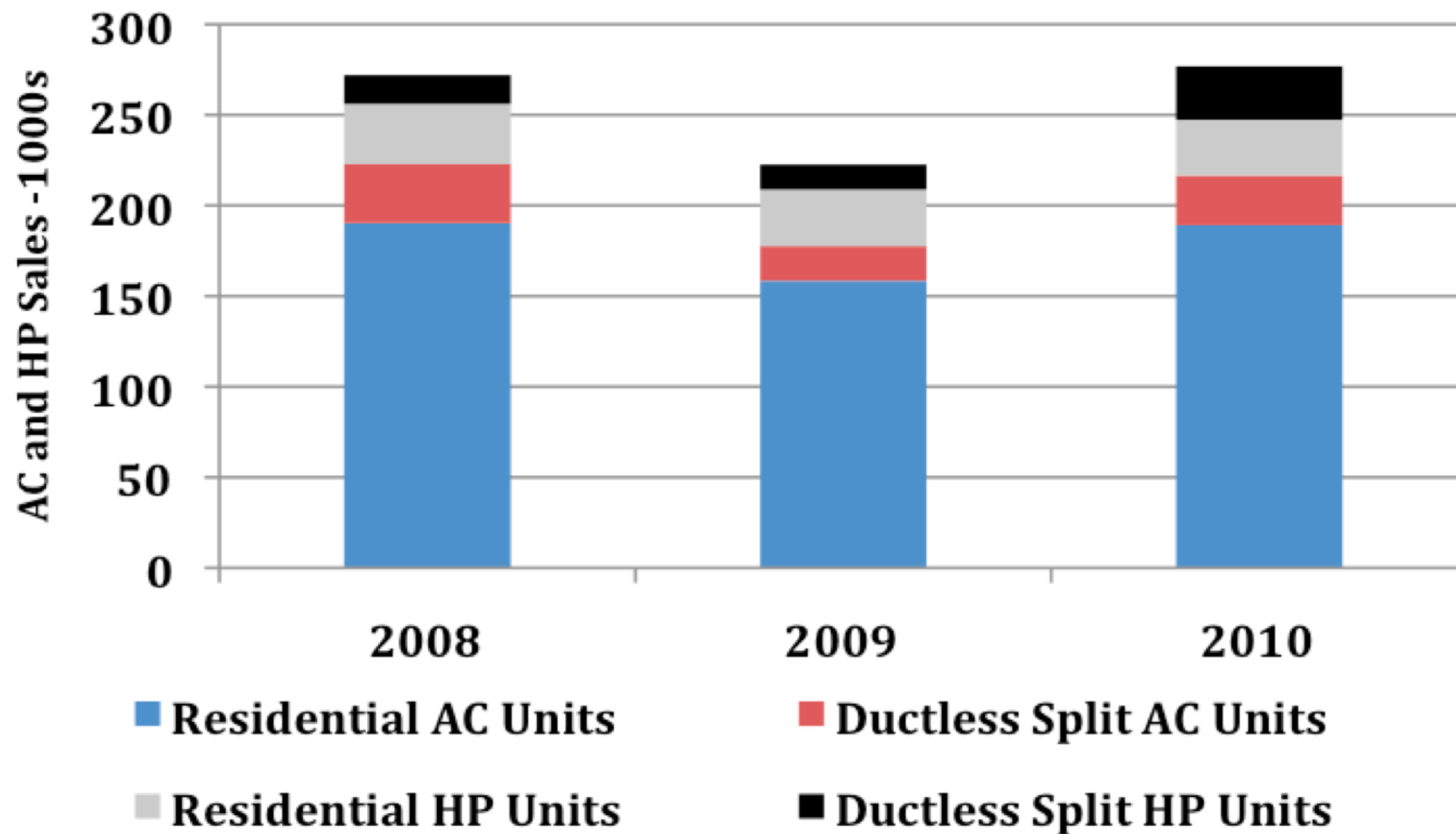
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## Canadian Heat Pump Sales



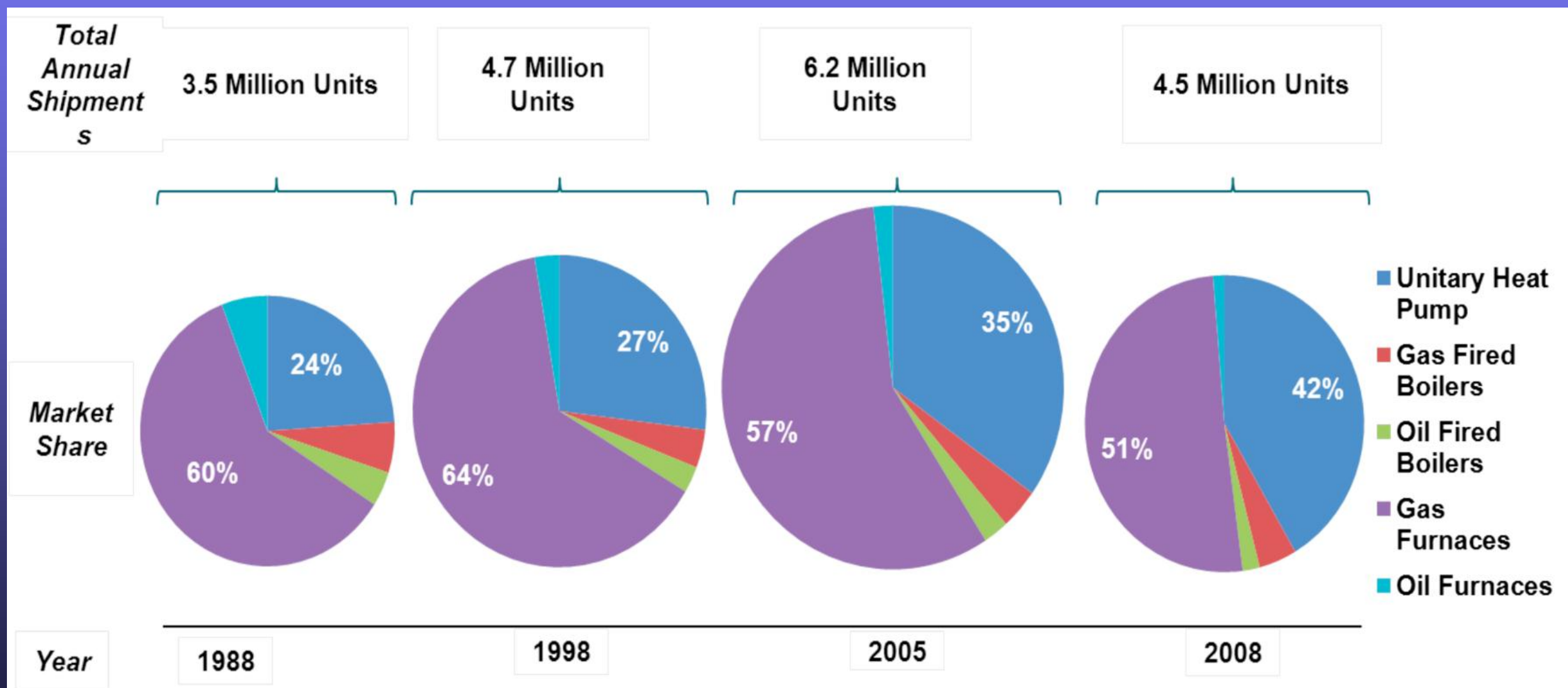
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## U.S. Heating Equipment Market Changes

- Heat Pumps market share growing
- Declines in gas and oil boilers and furnaces
- Changes driven by:
  - Increased fossil fuel prices
  - Concern over availability of imported gas and oil
  - Demographic changes as population growing in Southern U.S.

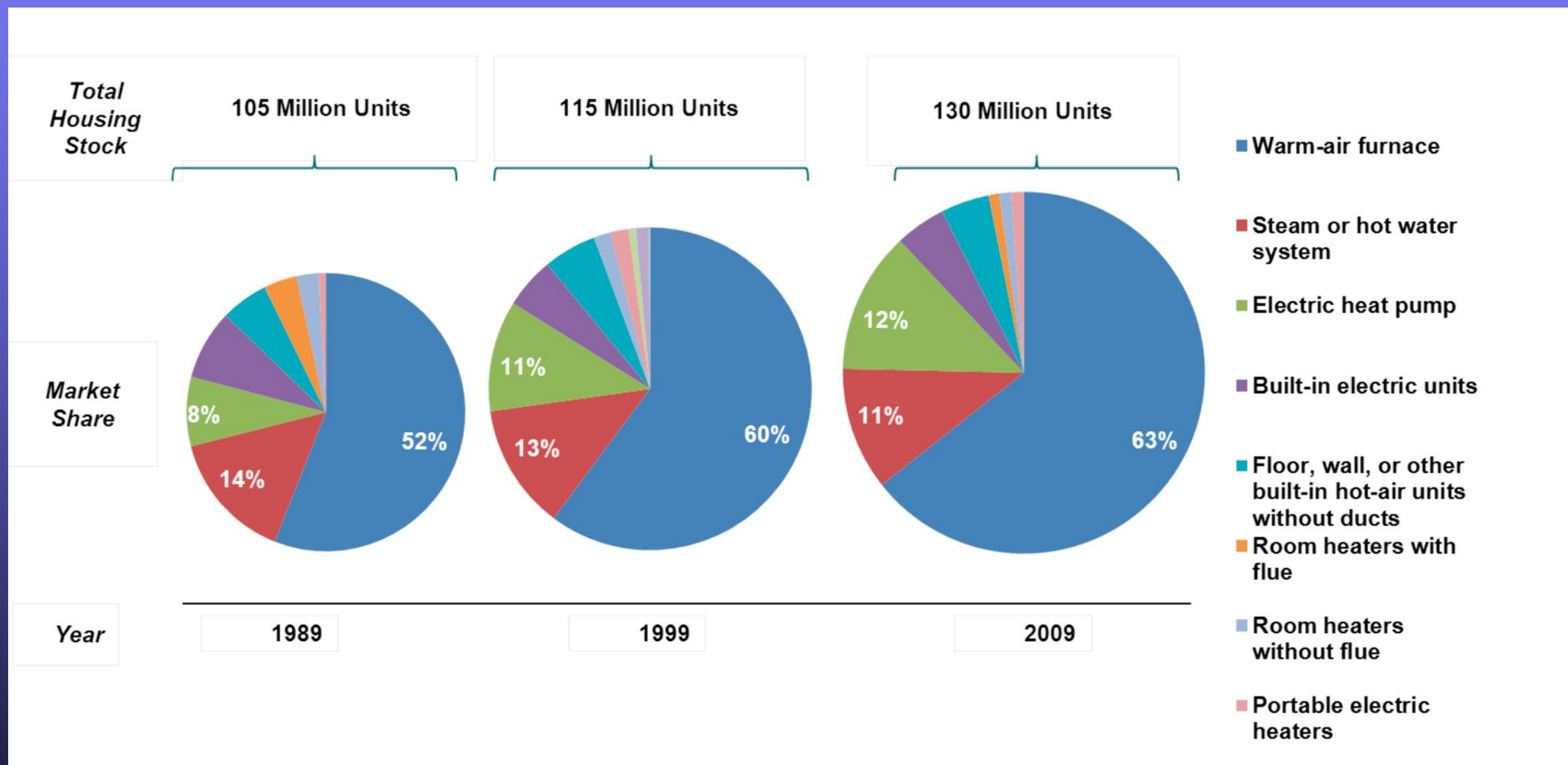
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## Changing U.S. Heating Market Heat Pump Share of Shipments



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## Heat Pump Share of U.S. Housing Stock





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## Heat Pump Water Heaters

- Of interest in NA since the 1970s
- By mid-1980 more than 15 manufacturers
- Market dissipated by end of the '80s
- General Electric introduced GeoSpring HPWH in 2008 – now 8 -10 mfgs on the market
- Total U.S. sales of HPWH estimated at 60,000 units in 2010 vs. ~ 15,000 in 2008

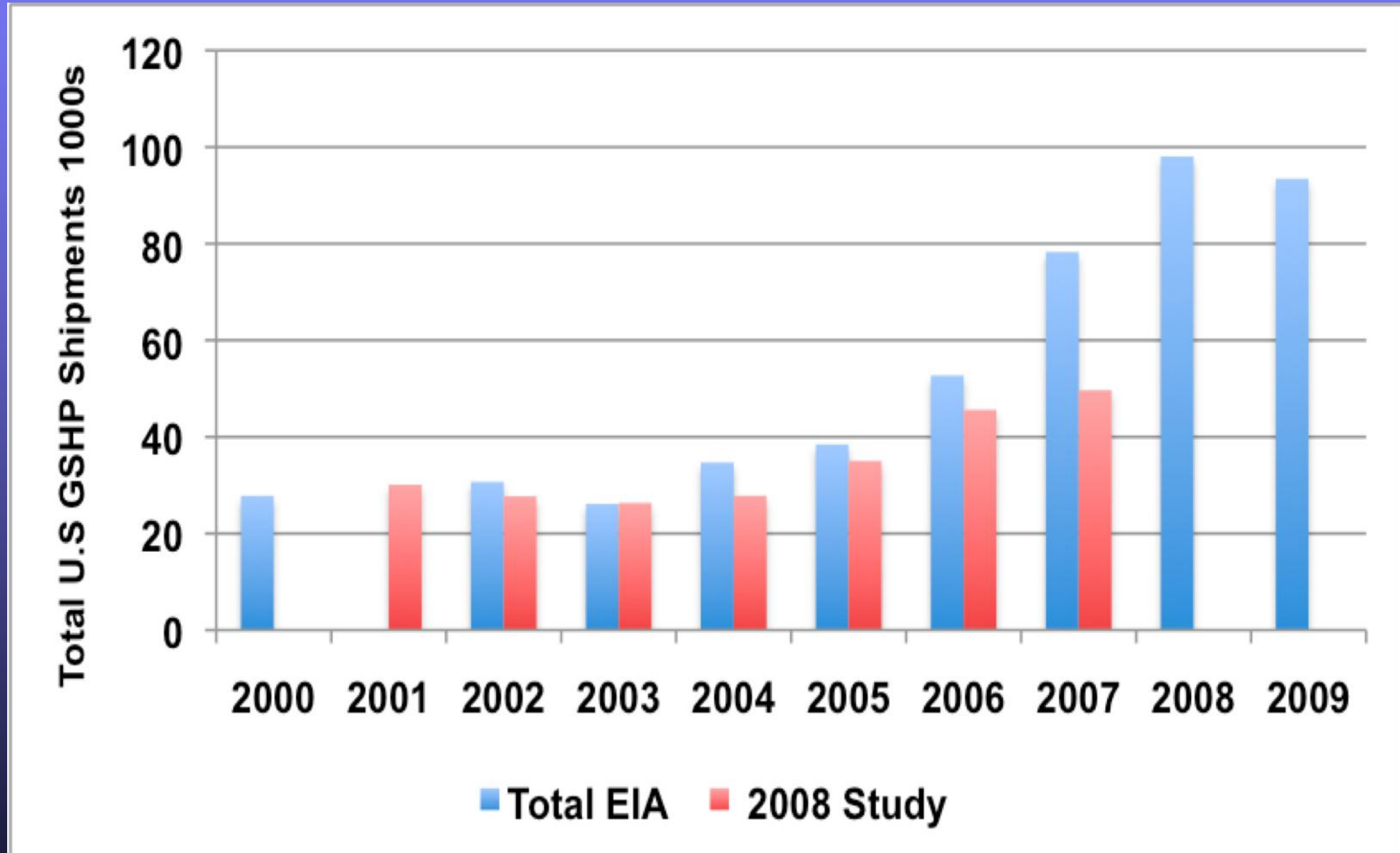
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## Ground Source Heat Pumps

- Interest in GSHPs languished in the early part of the last decade
- In recent years sales have grown – stimulated by incentives and greater awareness
- Study reported at 2008 IEA HP Conf indicated doubling of sales 2004 – 2007
- U.S. Dept of Energy data shows continuing growth with current sales of ~ 100,000/yr
- Nearly 30 Manufacturers selling GSHPs in U.S.

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## Ground Source HP Sales



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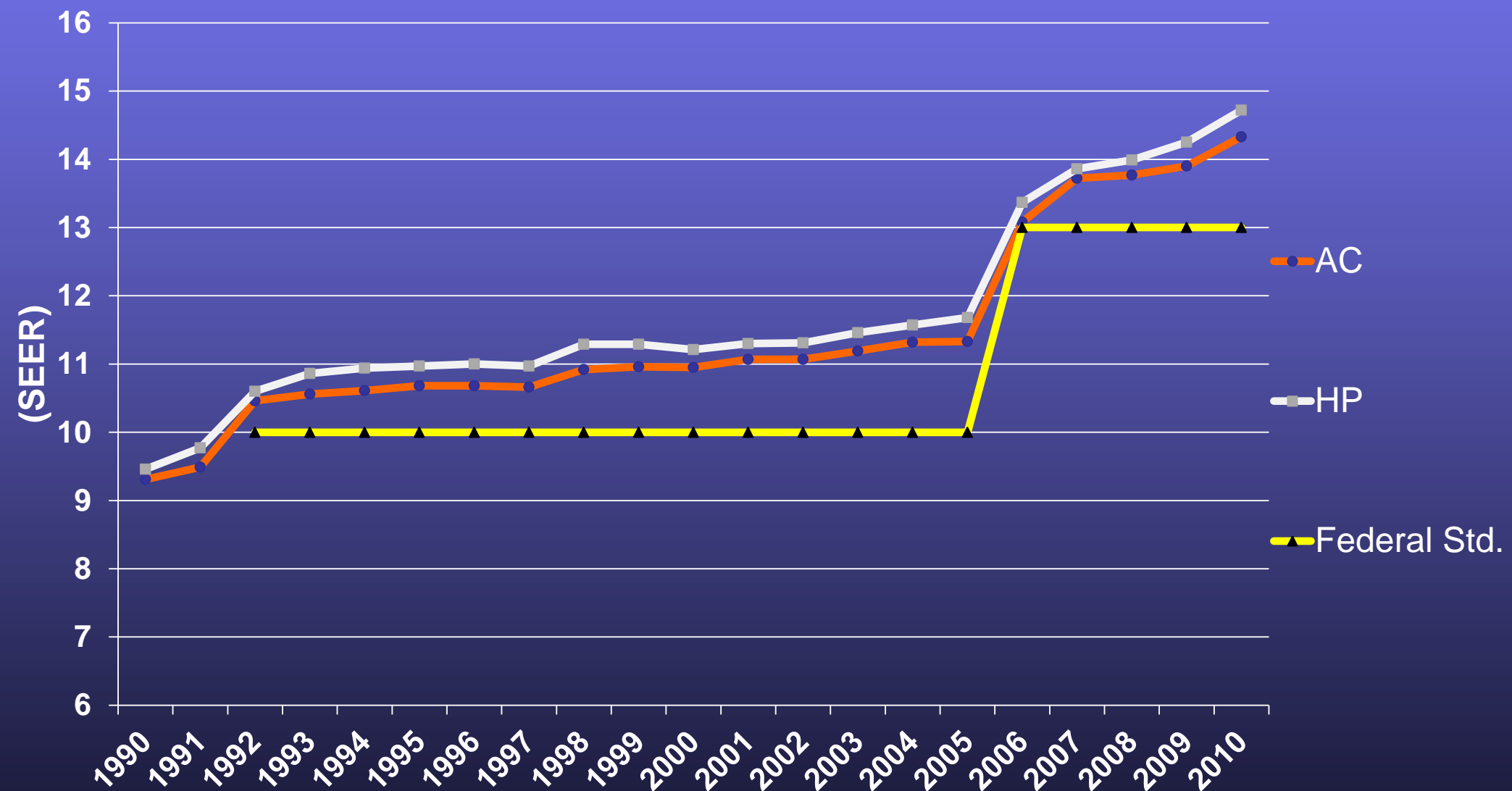
## Minimum Energy Performance Standards

- Energy Policy & Conservation Act of 1975
  - Prescribed MEPS for residential furnaces, a.c. units and hps (AFUE, SEER, HSPF – dynamic test & rating)
  - Charged DOE to determine more stringent standards when technically and economically justified
- Standards amended several times – 2006 latest
- These MEPS have been effective in driving efficiency improvement of HPs and ACs – leading to nearly 50% increase in shipment-weighted SEERs since 1992

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## U.S. Shipment-Weighted Seasonal Efficiency History

Shipment Weighted Efficiency for AC and HP



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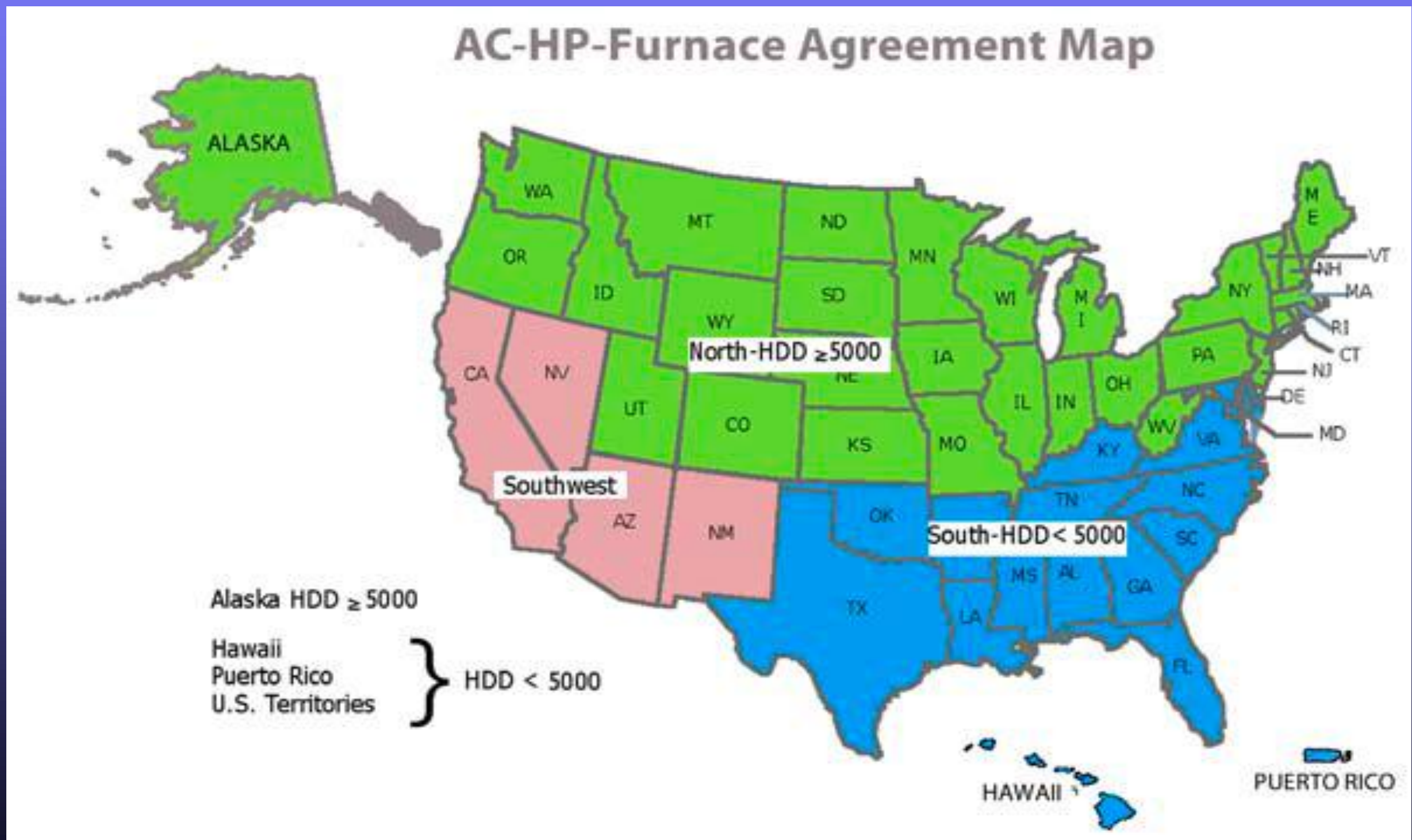
## Changing Performance Standards

- National standards have served their purpose but as SEER levels have risen – with resulting higher product costs – their cost-effectiveness has come into question
- This past year a consortium of mfgs, conservation organizations and AHRI petitioned the U.S. Congress and DOE to establish regional standards to recognize climate differences and different operational requirements
- In June, 2011 DOE published a new proposed ruling, establishing 3 distinct regions with different MEPS for residential gas furnaces and air conditioners – hps and oil furnaces will have national MEPS. In the SW split a.c. units will have minimum EER as well as SEER standards.
- These standards are to become effective in 2015 for a.c. units, hps and indoor furnaces. Outdoor furnace standards are to be effective in 2013



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## New Minimum Performance Standards



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**Table 1: New Minimum Federal Standards (Retrofits)**

| System Type       | ≥ 5000 HDD        | < 5000 HDD        | CA/AZ/NM/NV  |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--|
| Split A/C         | 13 SEER           | 14 SEER           | 14 SEER /12.2 EER <45,000 Btu/h<br>14 SEER /11.7 EER ≥45,000 Btu/h |
| Split HP          | 14 SEER /8.2 HSPF | 14 SEER /8.2 HSPF | 14 SEER /8.2 HSPF  |
| Package A/C       | 14 SEER           | 14 SEER           | 14 SEER/11.0 EER   |
| Package HP        | 14 SEER/8.0 HSPF  | 14 SEER/8.0 HSPF  | 14 SEER/8.0 HSPF   |
| Gas-Pack          |                   |                   |  |
| (weatherized)     | 14 SEER/81% AFUE  | 14 SEER/81% AFUE  | 14 SEER/81% AFUE   |
| Gas Furnaces      |                   |                   |  |
| (non-weatherized) | 90% AFUE          | 80% AFUE          | 80% AFUE   |
| Oil Furnaces      |                   |                   |  |
| (non-weatherized) | 83% AFUE          | 83% AFUE          | 83% AFUE   |

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**Table 2: New Energy Efficiency Standards for Performance-Based Building Codes (for new construction and significant-up sizing only)**

| System Type       | ≥ 5000 HDD        | < 5000 HDD        | CA/AZ/NM/NV                   |  |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| A/C               | 14 SEER           | 15 SEER           | 15 SEER/12.5EER<45,000 Btu/h  |  |
|                   |                   |                   | 15 SEER/12.0 EER ≥45000 Btu/h |  |
| HP<br>HSPF        | 15 SEER /8.5 HSPF | 15 SEER /8.5 HSPF | 15 SEER /8.5                  |  |
| Gas Furnaces      | 92% AFUE          | 90% AFUE          | 92% AFUE                      |  |
| Oil Furnace       |                   |                   |                               |  |
| (non-weatherized) | 85% AFUE          | 85% AFUE          | 85% AFUE                      |  |

Note: Performance-based codes will also allow 14 SEER/8.0 HSPF packaged systems and 81% AFUE weatherized gas furnaces, provided additional efficiency measures are installed to compensate for the difference in energy use between these systems and the corresponding values for the region in Table 2

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## Minimum Energy Performance Standards

- Final Ruling made by DOE on October 23. First deadline will be May 2013 for non-weatherized furnaces. The next deadline will be January 2015 for air conditioners and heat pumps.
- Requirements apply to residential single-phase a.c. and hps less than 65,000 Btu/hr of cooling capacity and single-phase indoor and outdoor furnaces below 225,000 Btu/hr heat input.

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## Prospects for the Future

- Heat pump market in NA is mature and continues to grow
- Federal minimum efficiency standards and environmental concerns have driven technology development
- Sales of ground-coupled hps and hpwhs will grow with greater consumer awareness of climate-change issues and higher fuel costs
- Overall, the prospects for heat pumps in NA are very bright!



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