



The 2007 CEFOR Report on Hull Claim Trends

The cause of recent claim trends:

**Crew, congestion and harder trade,
or purely a matter of inflation?**

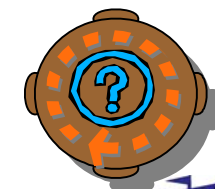
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”Recent claim trends”

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(including nautical, engine)
3. Cost-driving factors





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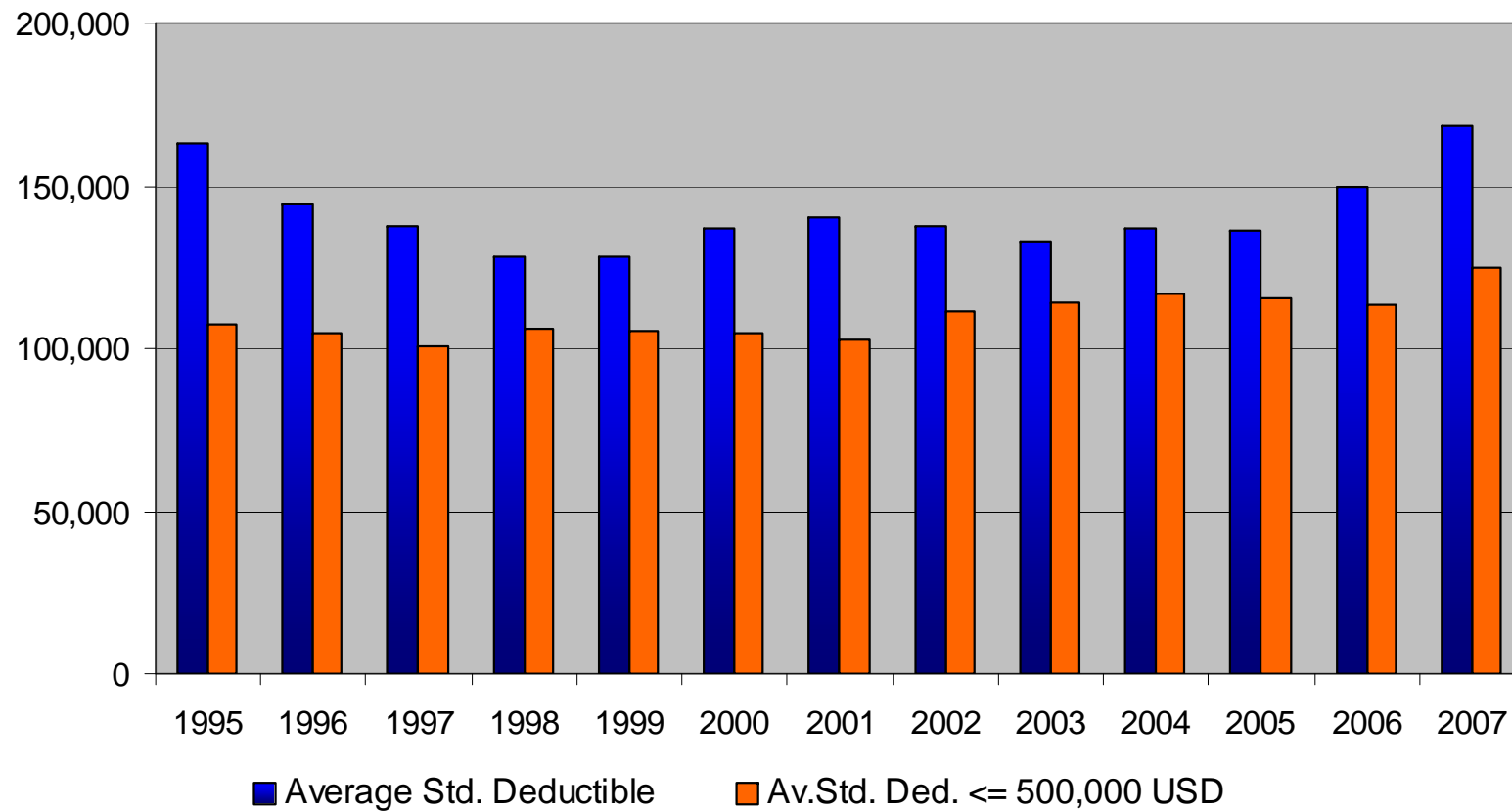
General Claim Trends



1. General trends - Deductibles, by underwriting year

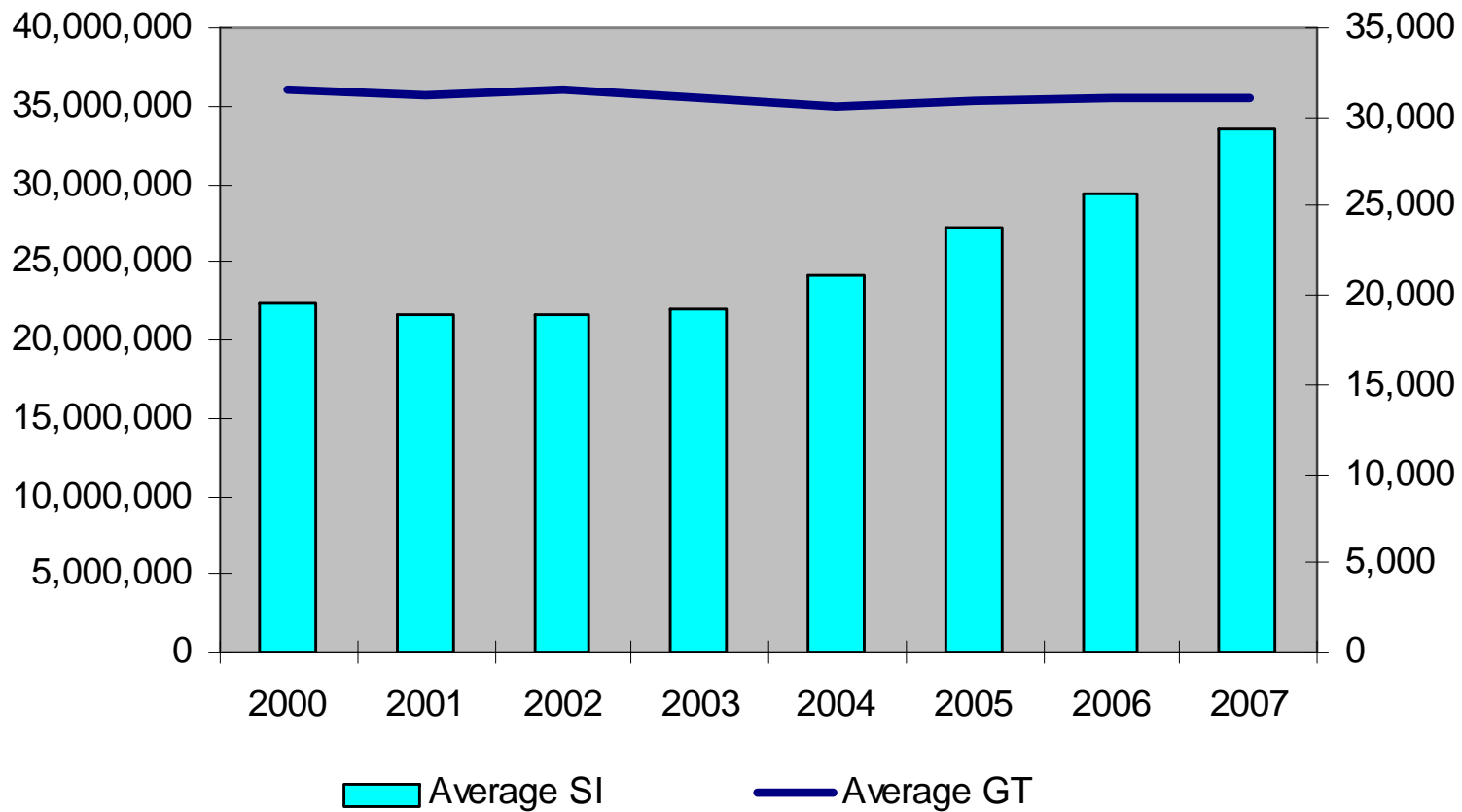
Average Standard Deductible Development

All business, 100%, in USD



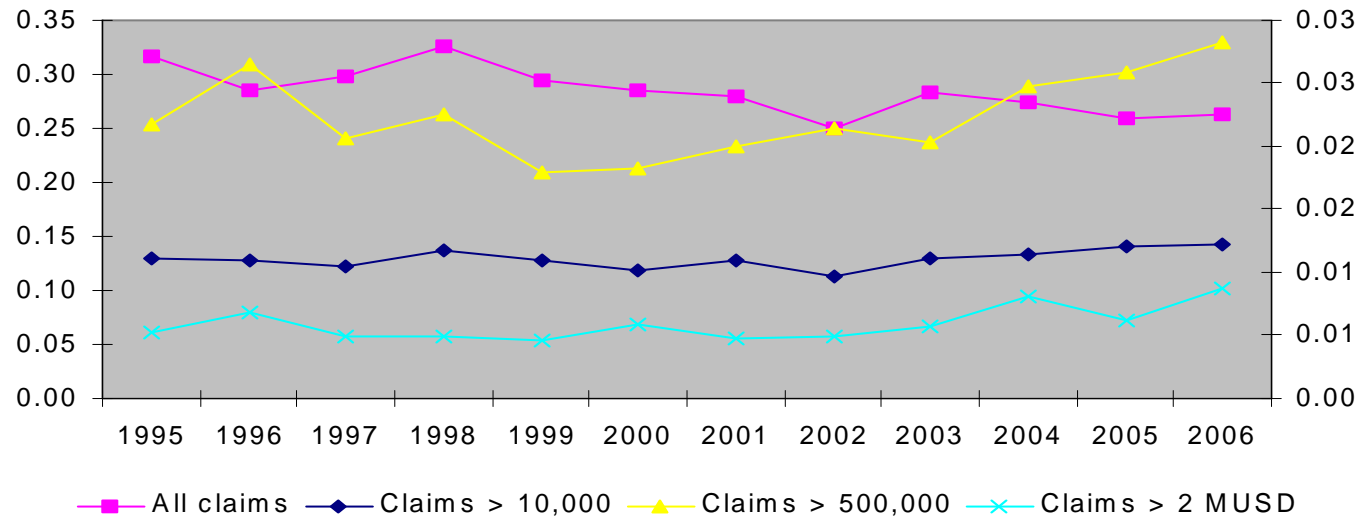


1. CEFOR fleet – Evolution of average SI and Gross ton per vessel, by underwriting year



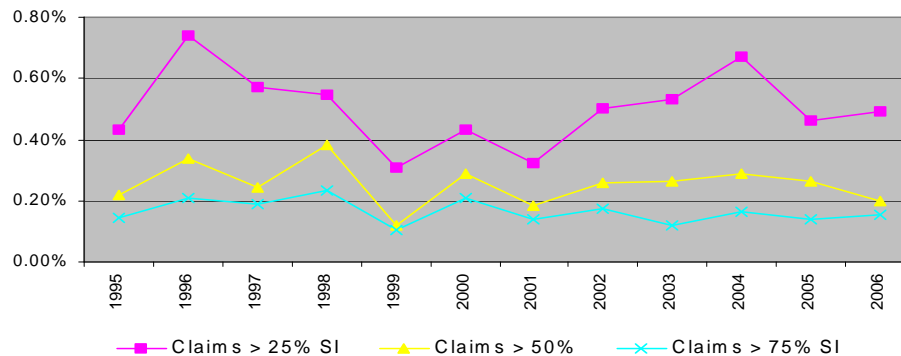
1. General claim trends – Claim frequency, by underwriting year

Claim frequency - Claims xs a certain amount



No increase in frequency in CEFOR data: Why?

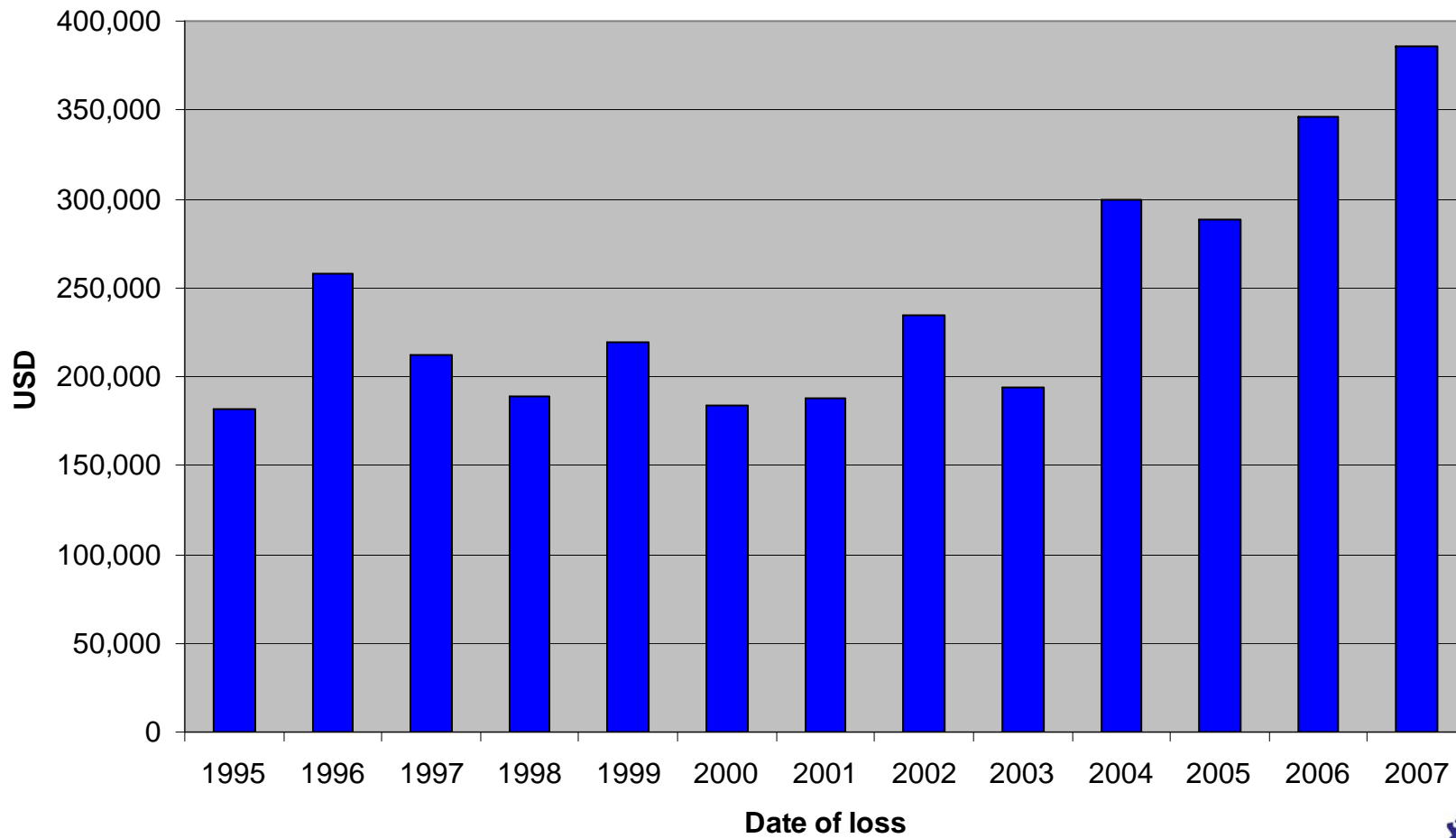
Claim frequency underwriting year
Claims xs a certain % of SI





1. General claim trends – Cost per claim

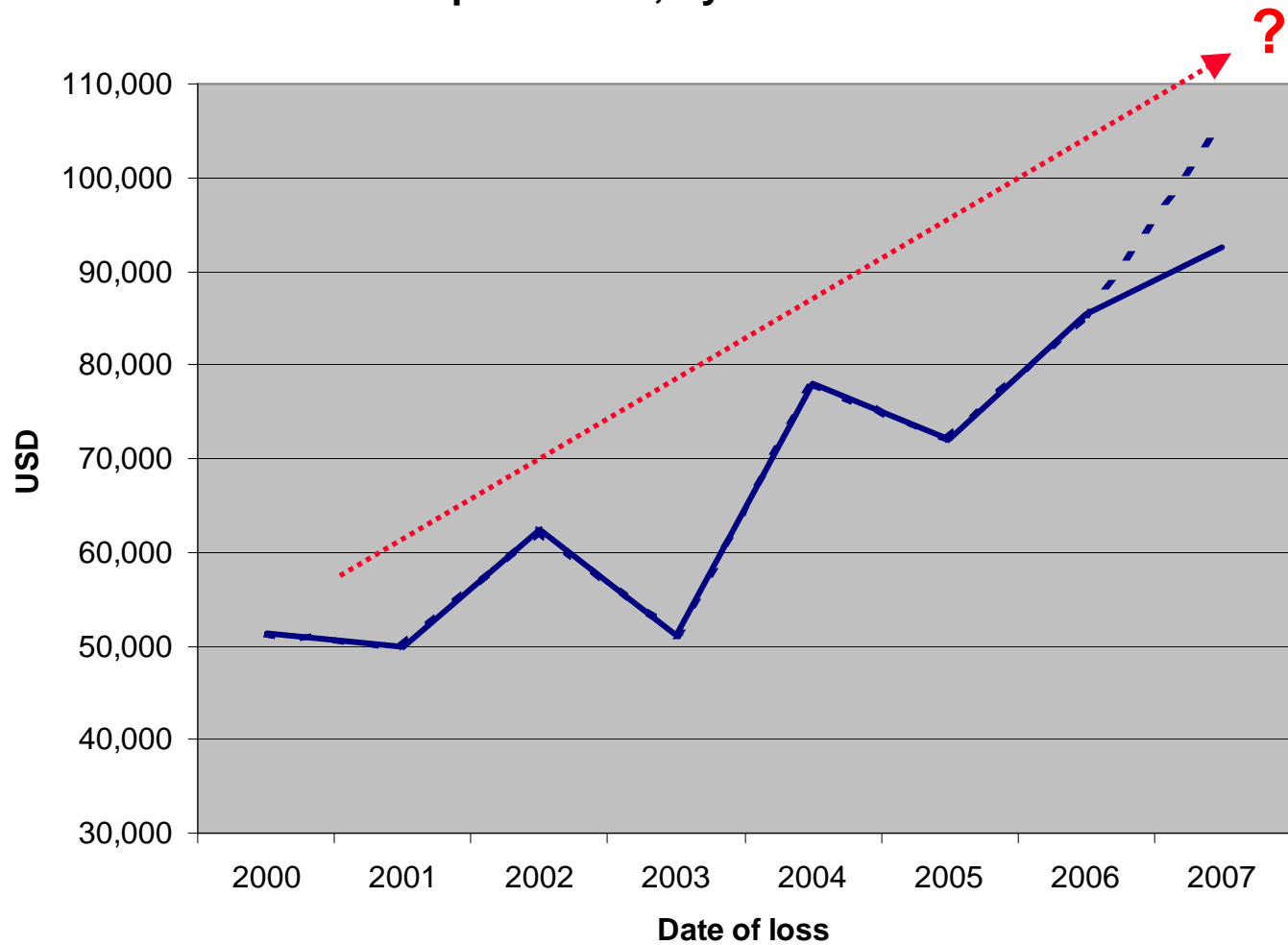
Average claim amount per claim, by date of loss





1. General claim trends – Claim per vessel

Claim per vessel, by date of loss

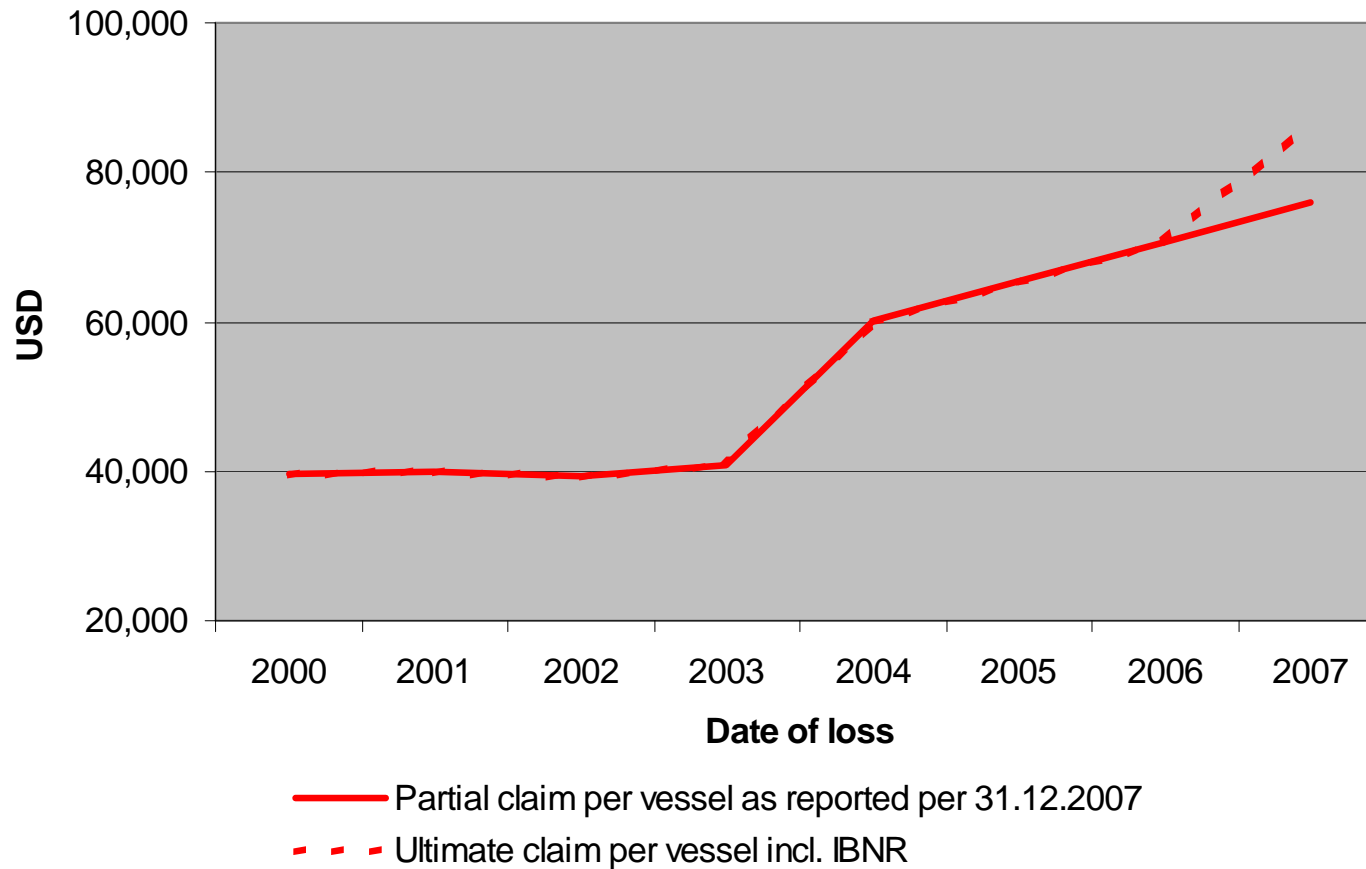


— Claim per vessel as reported per 31.12.2007 - - Ultimate claim per vessel incl. IBNR



1. General claim trends - Partial claim per vessel

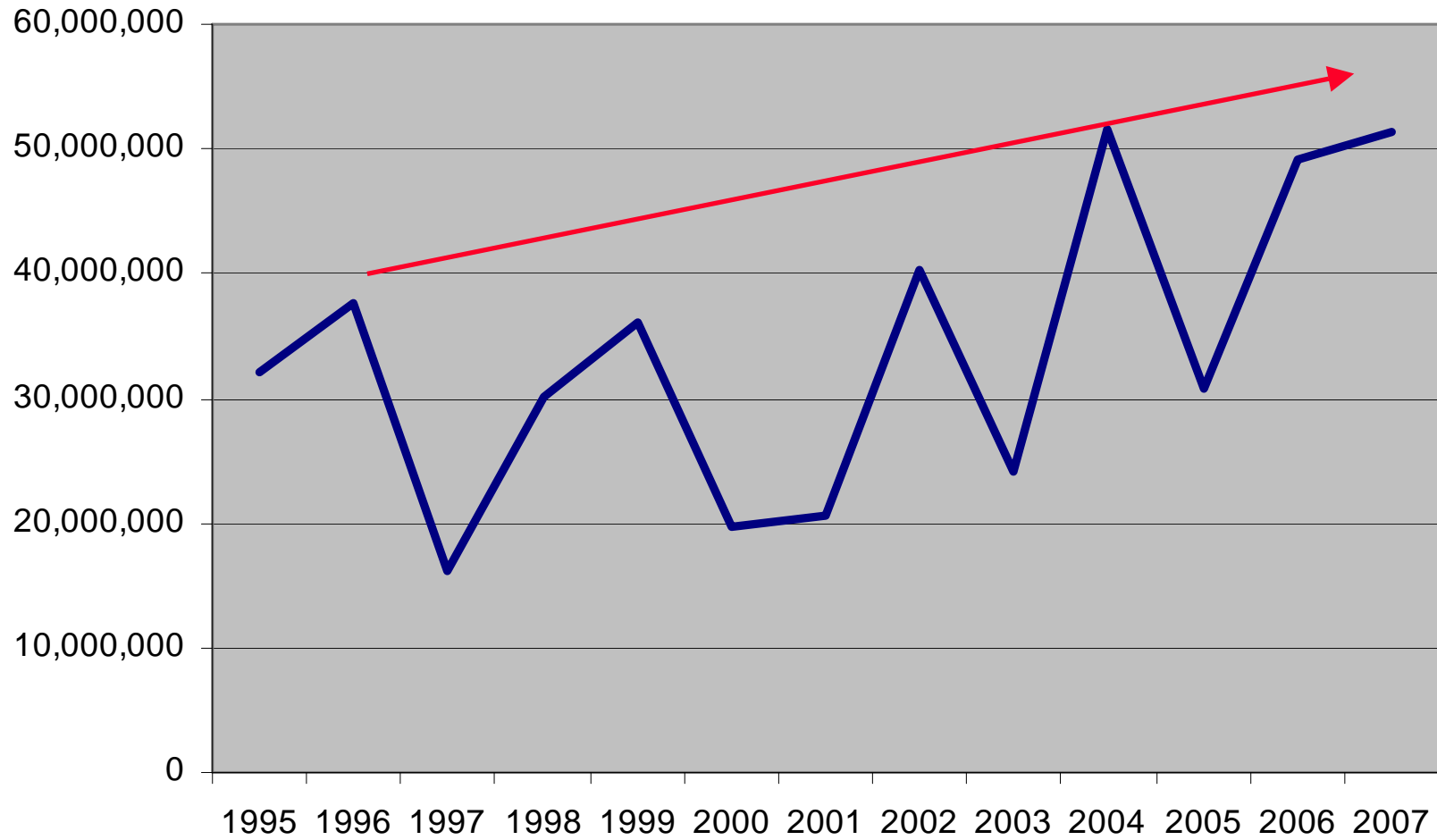
Partial claim per vessel, by date of loss





1. Maximum individual claim

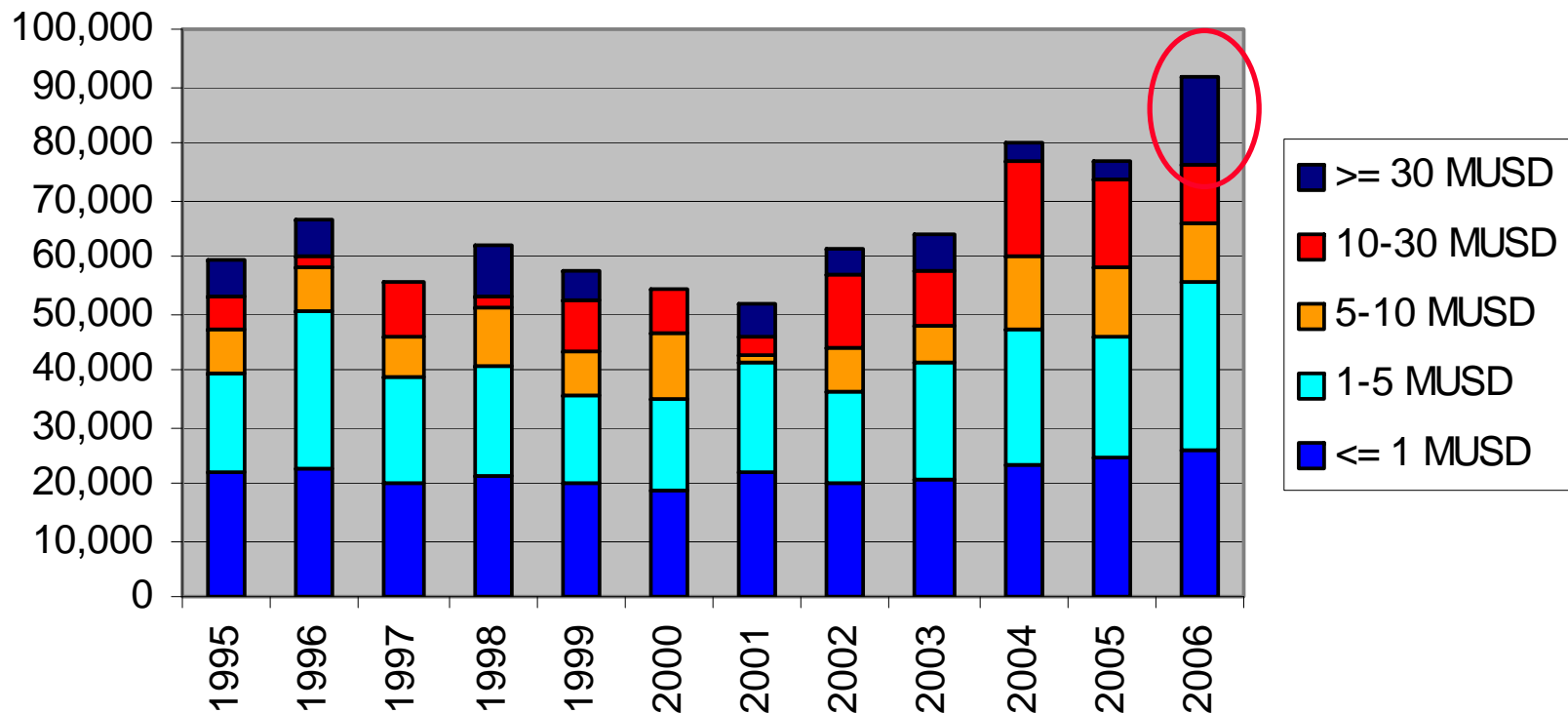
Maximum individual claim per date of loss year





1. General claim trends – Claim bands by underwriting year

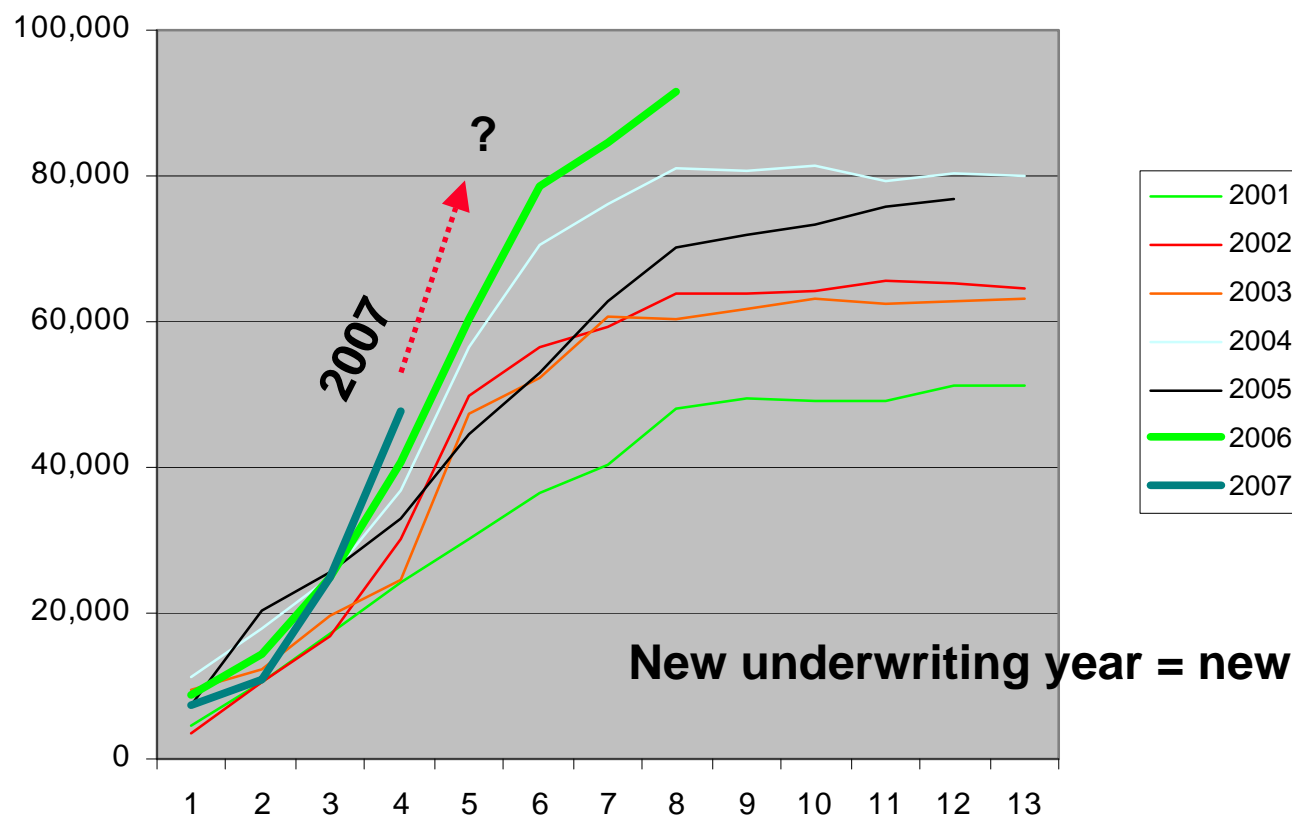
USD Claim per vessel





1. Claim per vessel – Quarterly development per underwriting year

Marine Hull Claim per vessel per U/W year - accumulated quarterly development



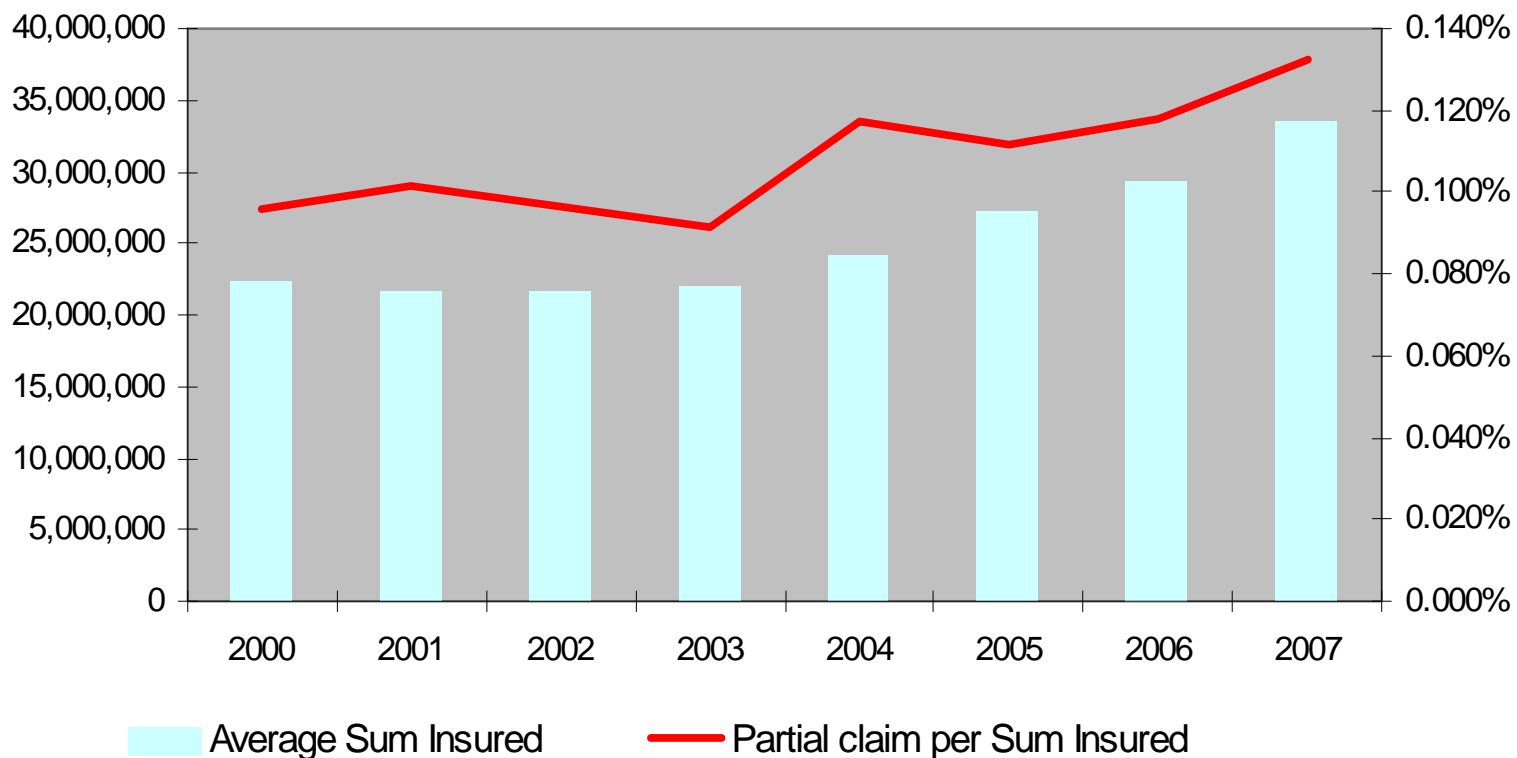
New underwriting year = new record?





1. Partial claim per SI as per 4th quarter against average SI development

Partial claim per Sum Insured as reported per 4th quarter
& Average Sum Insured,
by underwriting year





Summing up general claim trends

- Claim per vessel doubled since 2003 (both overall and PA claim alone)
- Increase in maximum individual claim
- 2007 worse than any previous year
- Increase in PA claim per Sum Insured
- Increase in claims of all sizes
- but stable frequency





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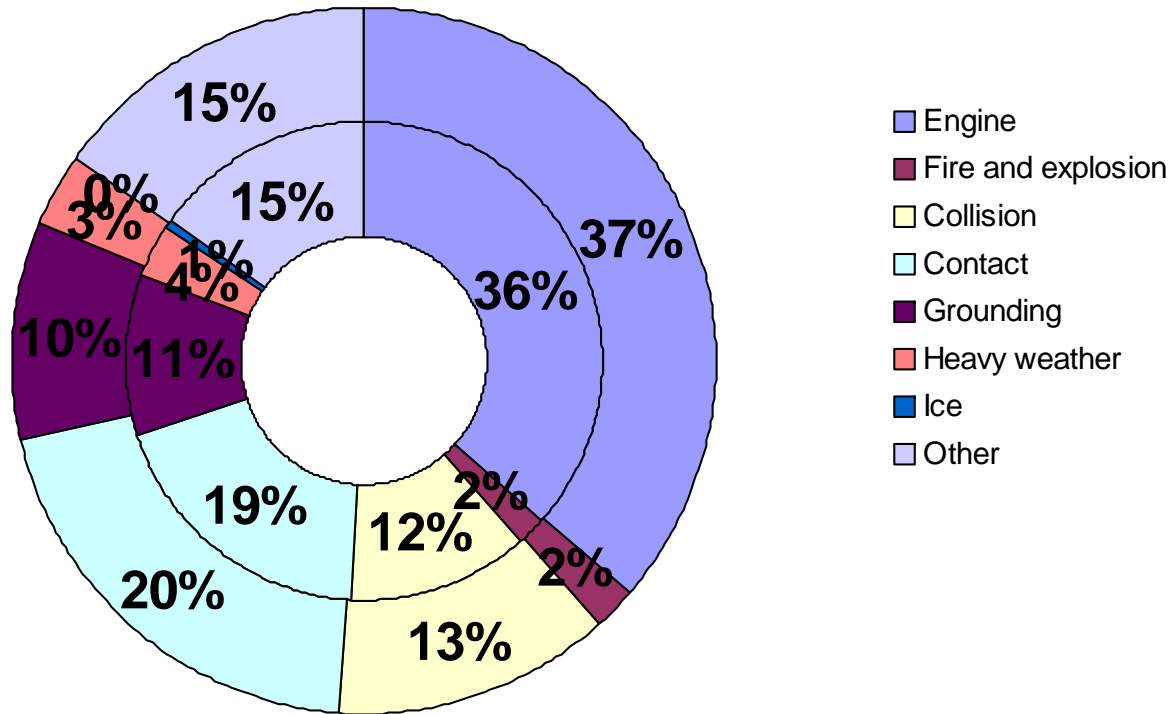
Special Claim Trends

3.a. General claim trends – Claims by type

Numbers (%)

Inner ring: 2002-2006

Outer ring: 2006

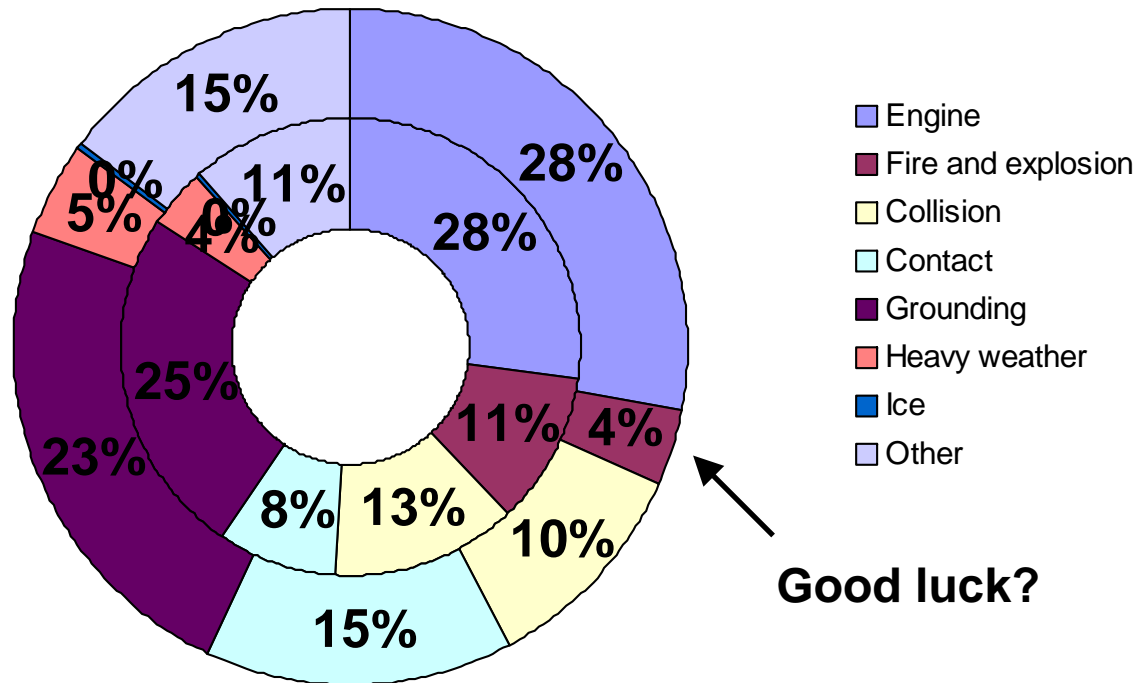


3.a. General claim trends – Claims by type

Costs (%)

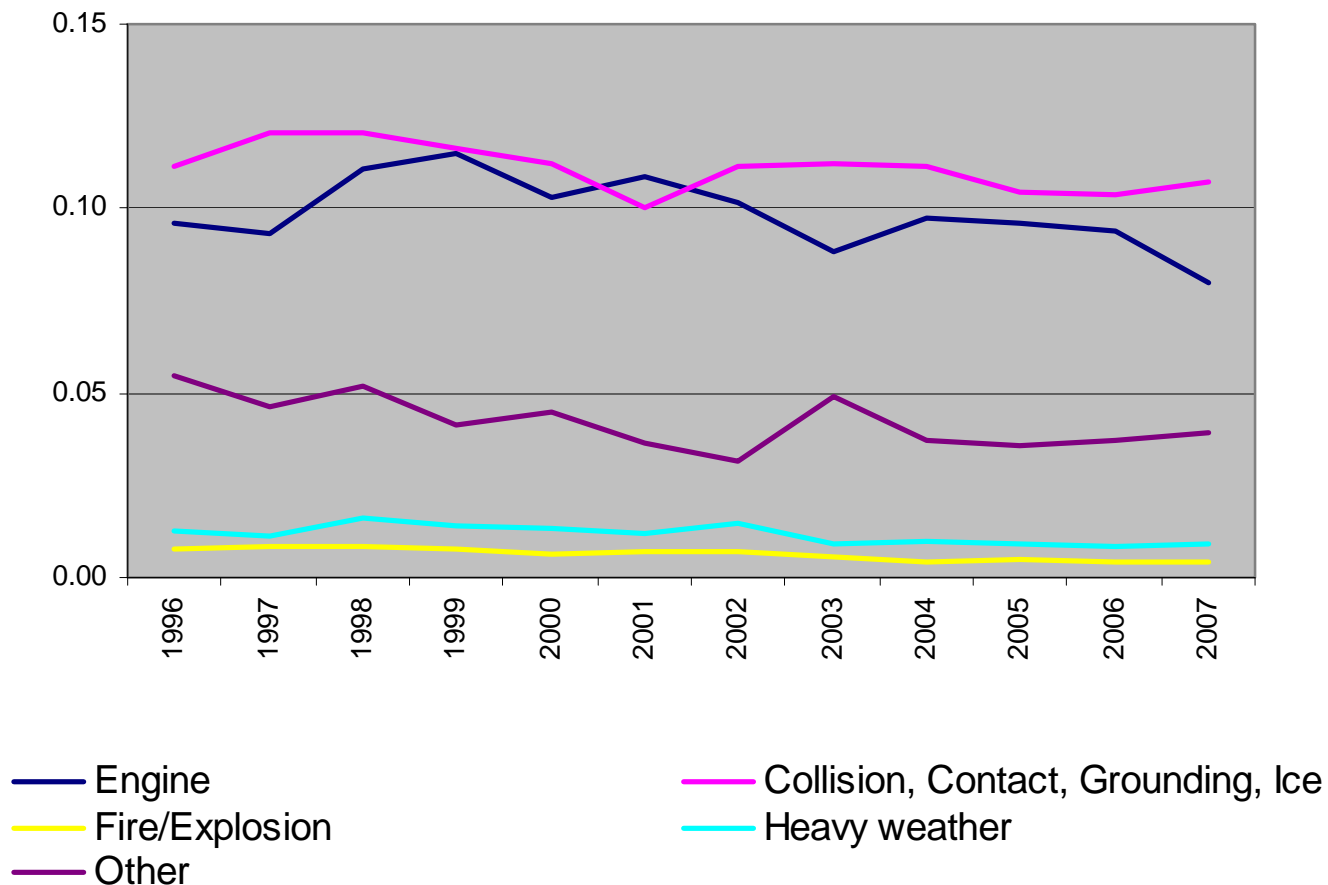
Inner ring: 2002-2065

Outer ring: 2006



3.b. Nautical related claims – Frequency by type of claim, by date of loss

Claim frequency

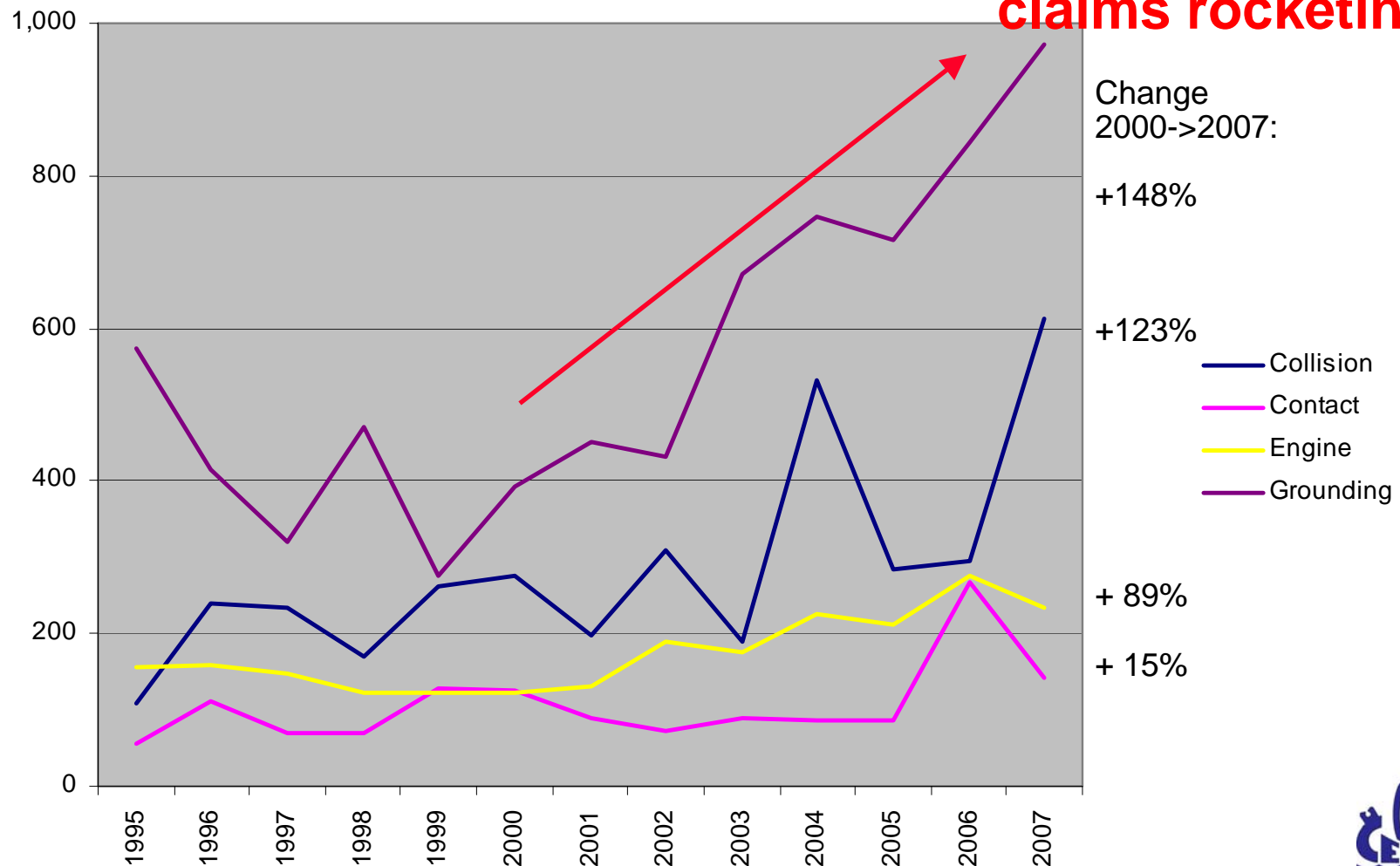




3.b. Cost per claim by type of claim – Nautical & Engine, by underwriting year

Average claim cost per type of casualty (excluding fire/explosion)
in USD 1,000

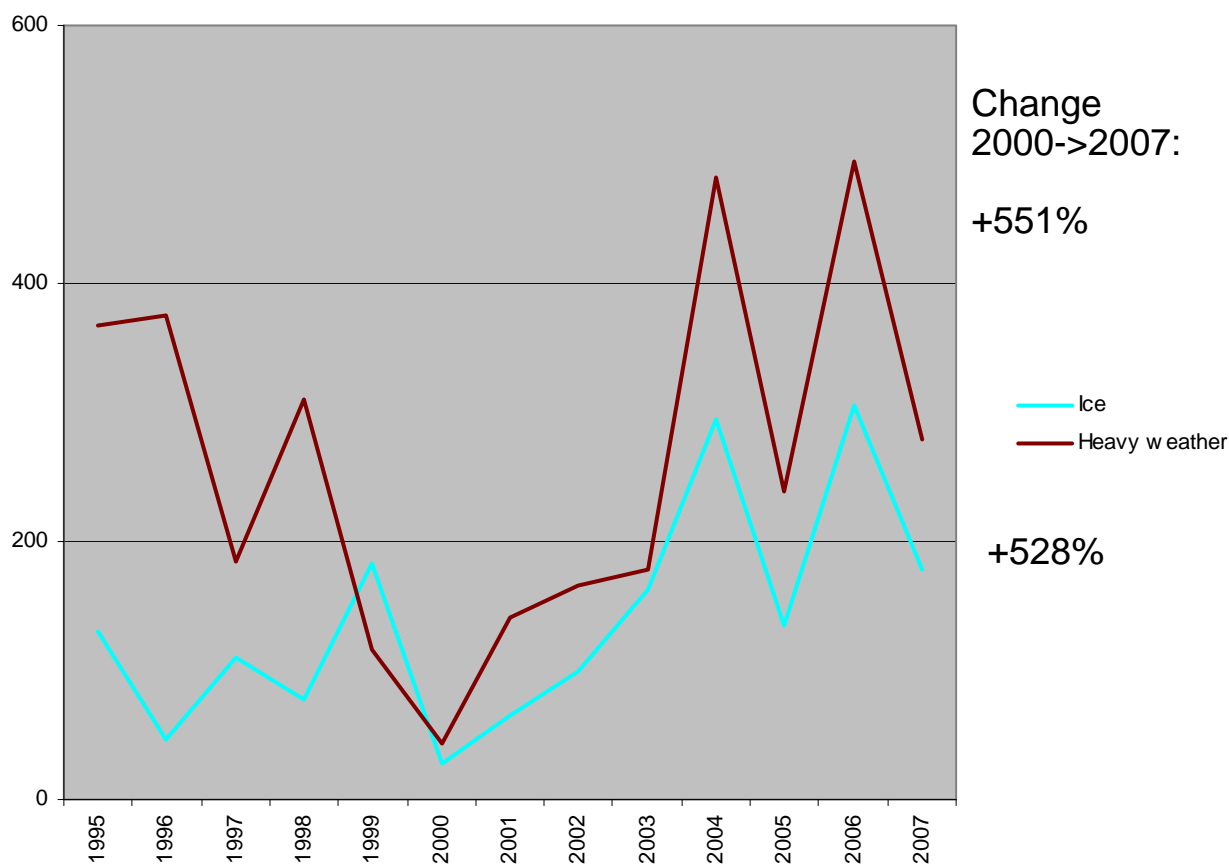
**Cost of grounding
claims rocketing**





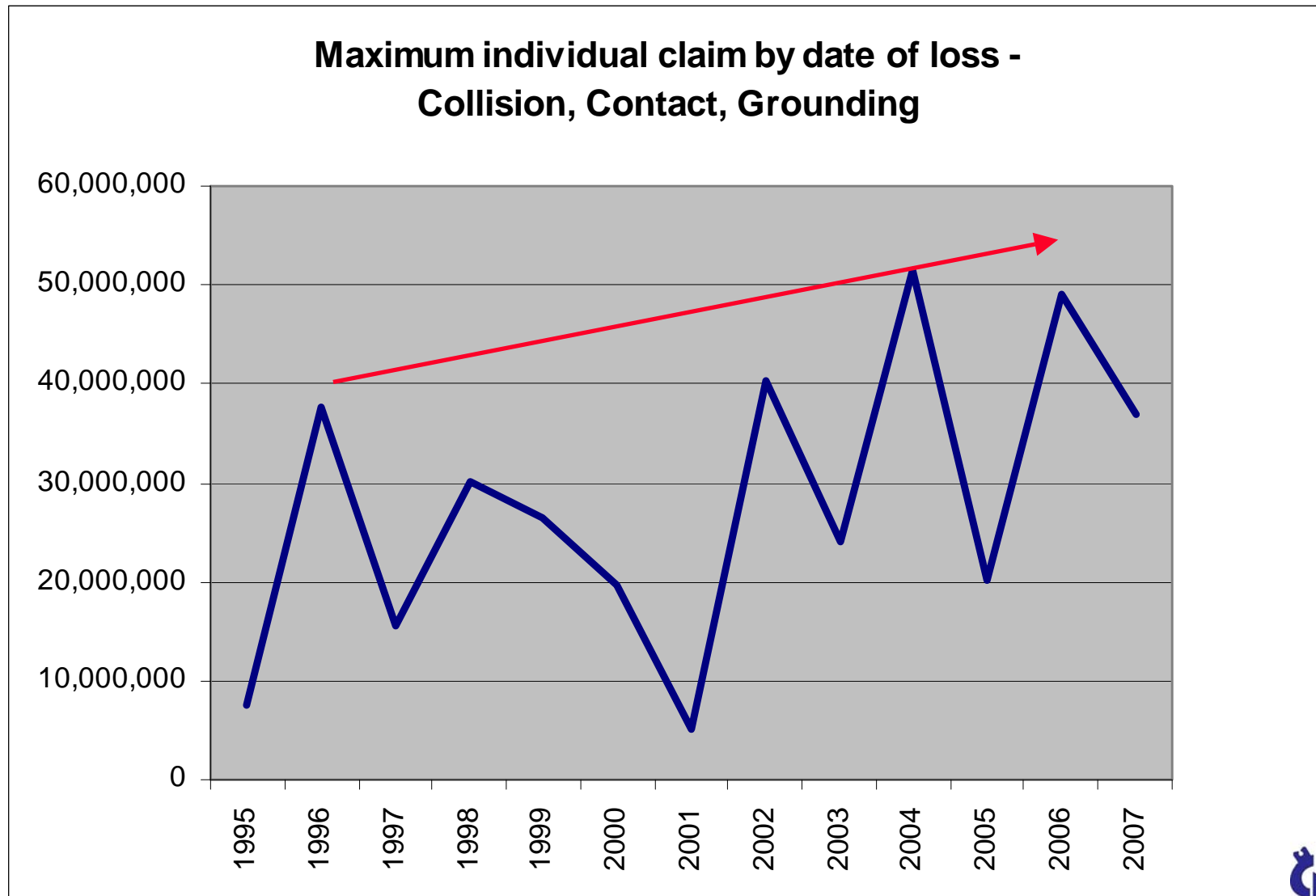
3.b. Cost per claim by type of claim – Weather-related, by underwriting year

Average claim cost per type of casualty (excluding fire/explosion)
in USD 1,000





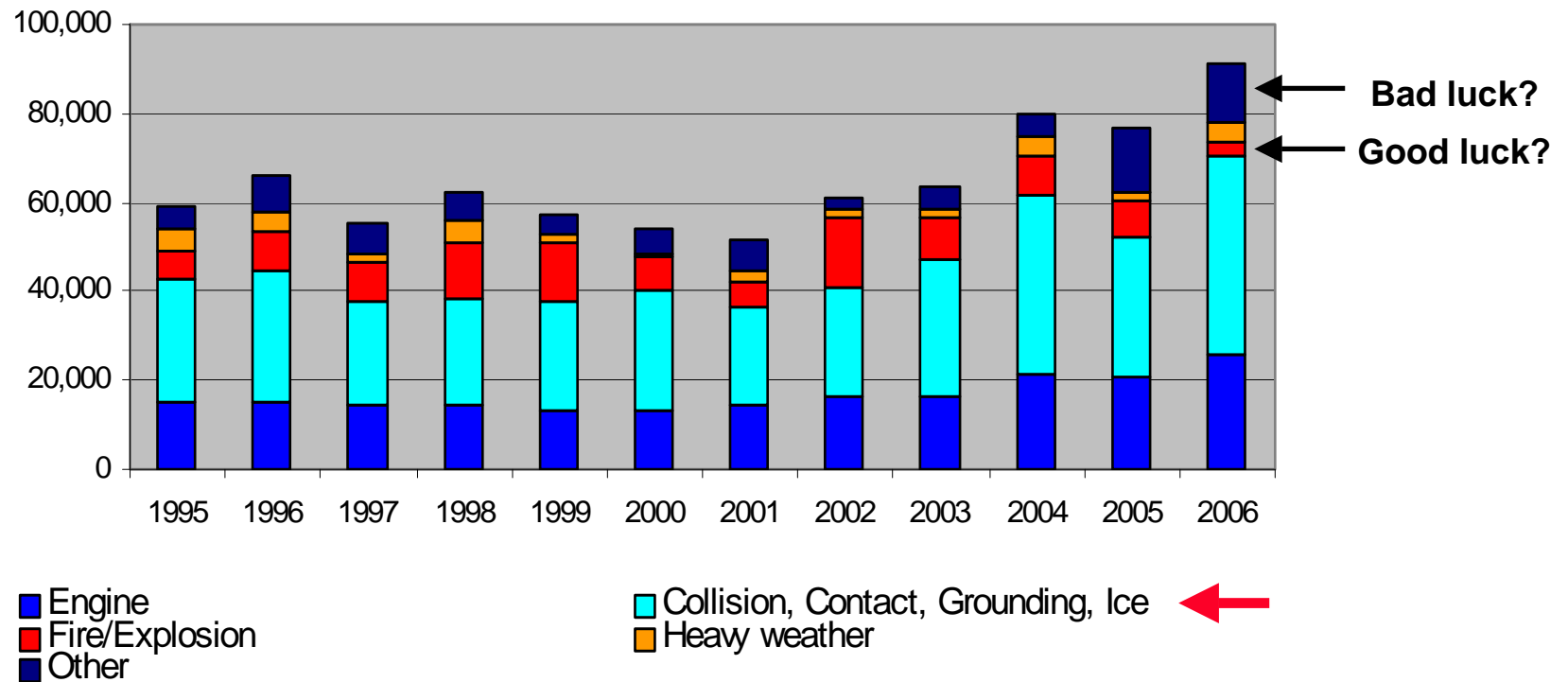
3.b. Nautical-related claims – Max. single claim





3.b. Claim per vessel by type of claim, by underwriting year

USD Claim per vessel



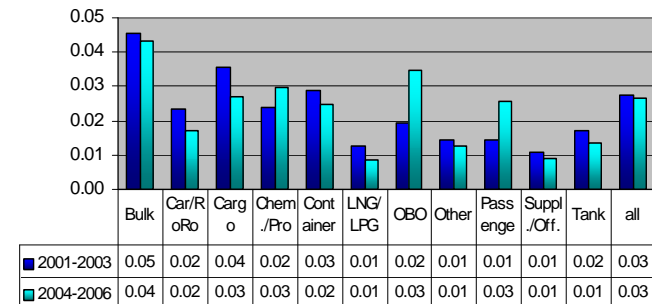


3.b. Nautical-related claims – Frequency by vessel type

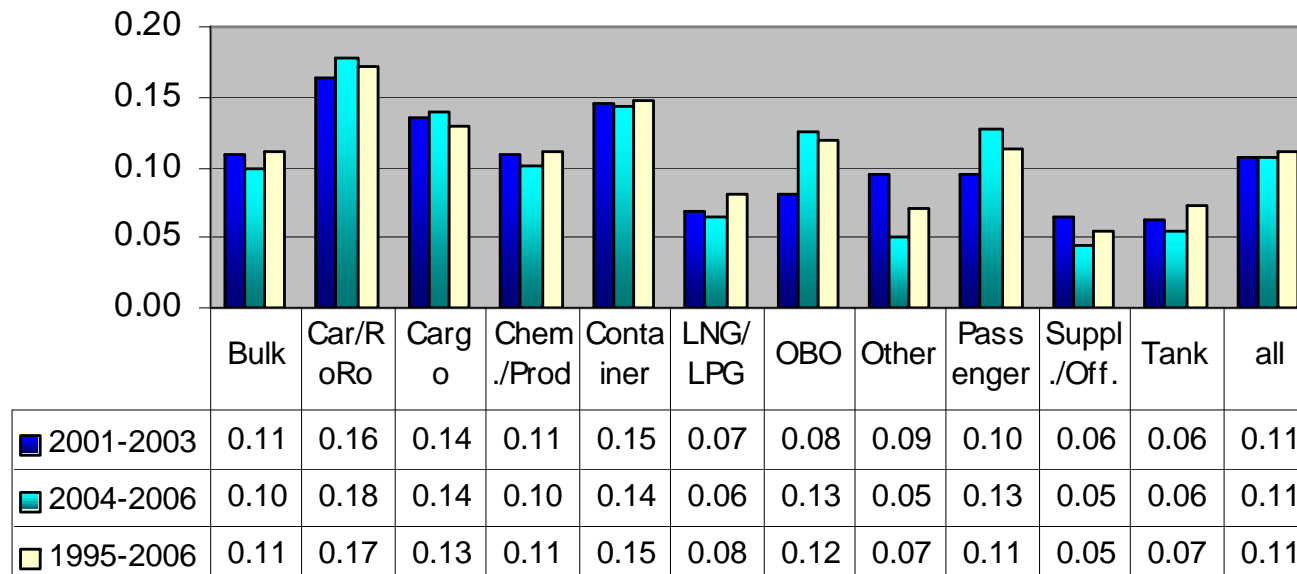
No overall increase in frequency.

Individual sectors with increase in number of groundings: Chem./Product, OBO, Passenger

Grounding - Claim frequency



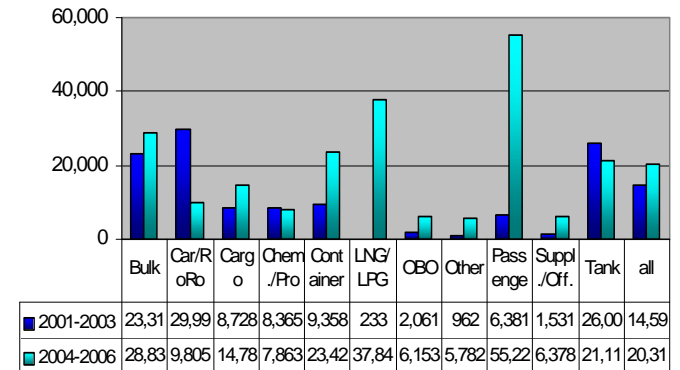
Collision, Contact, Grounding, Ice - Claim frequency



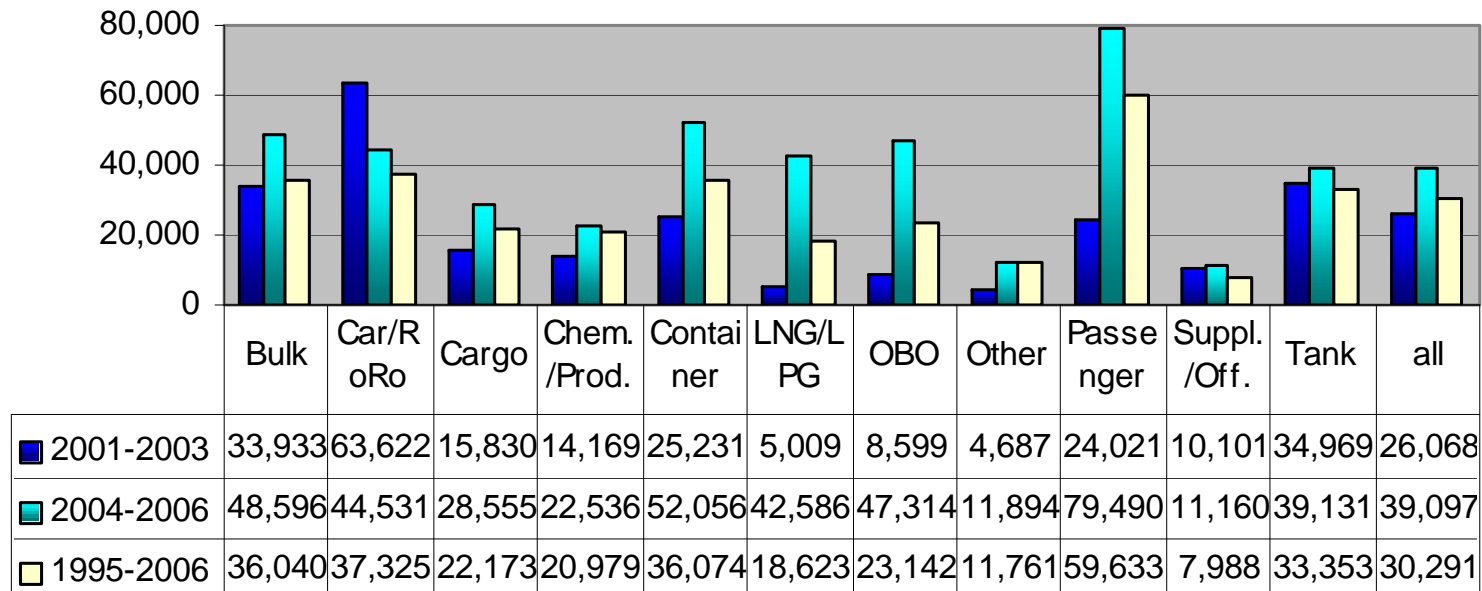


3.b. Nautical-related claims – Cost per vessel

Grounding - Claim per vessel

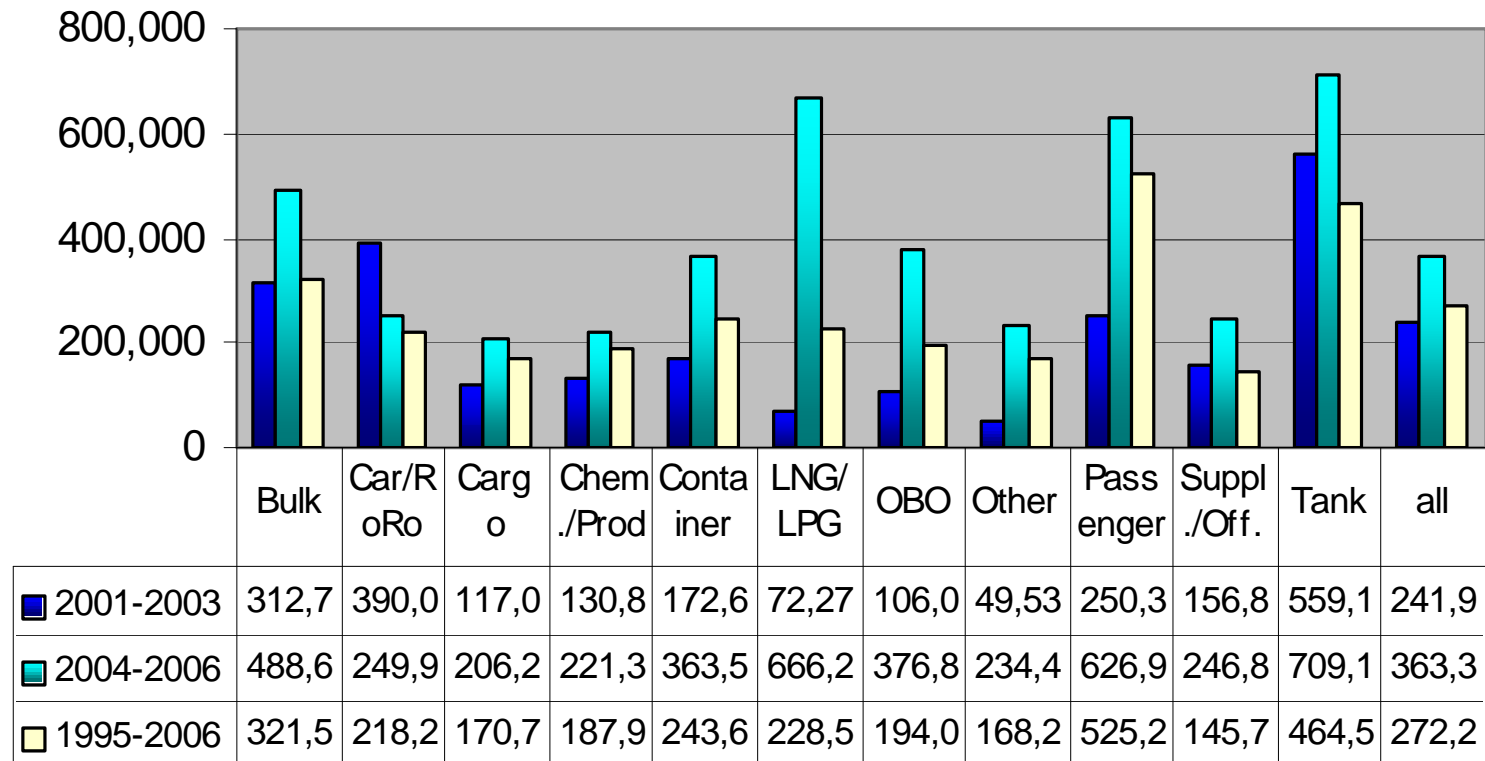


Collision, Contact, Grounding, Ice - Claim per vessel



3.b. Nautical-related claims – Av. claim cost

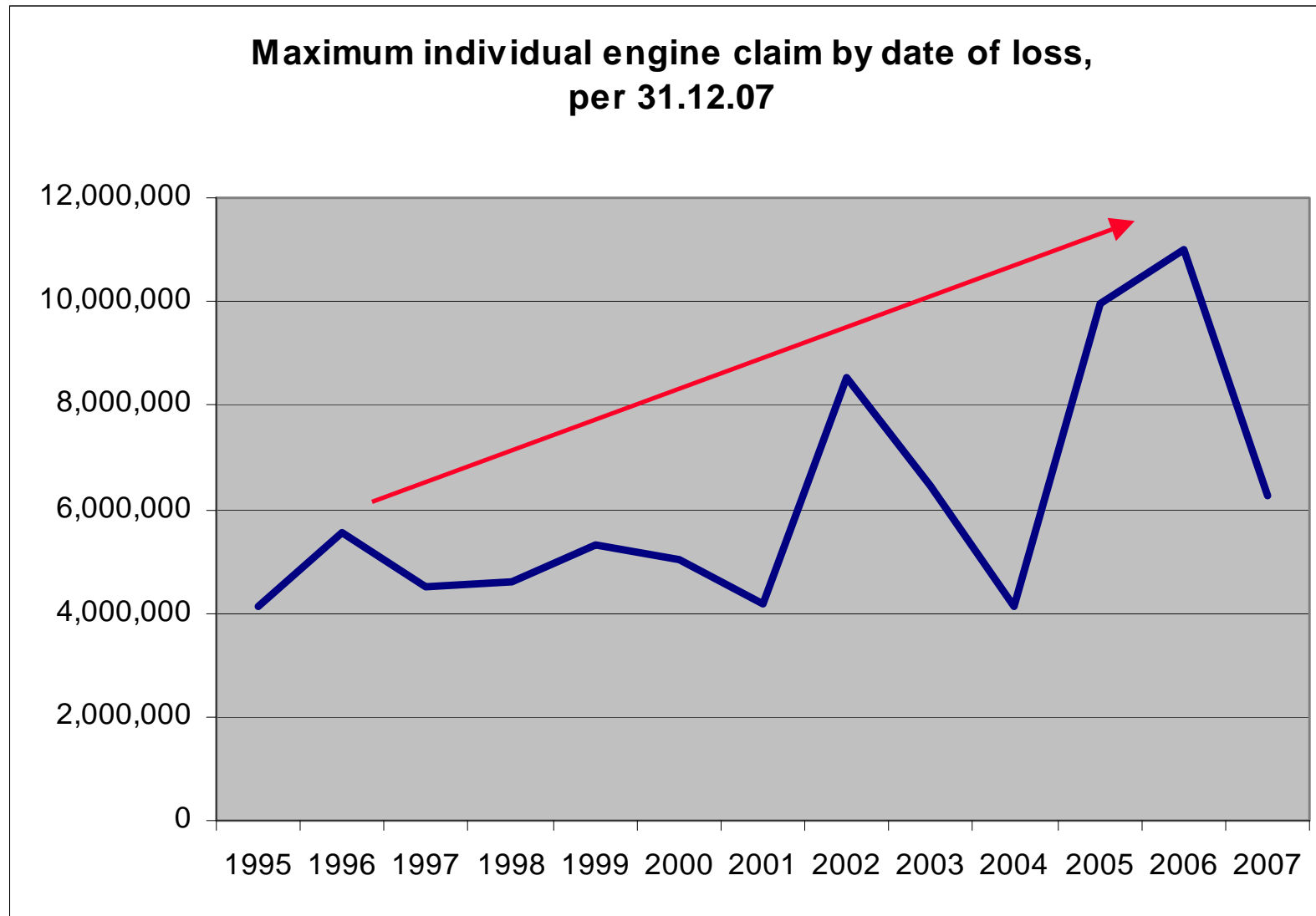
Collision, Contact, Grounding, Ice - Average claim amount



Average claim up for all vessel types except Car/RoRo.



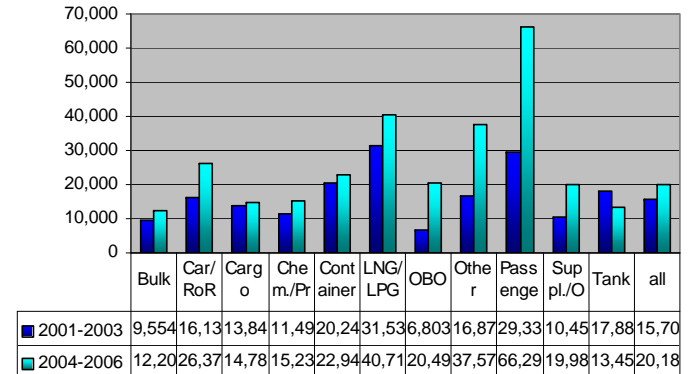
3.b. Engine claims – Max. Individual claim



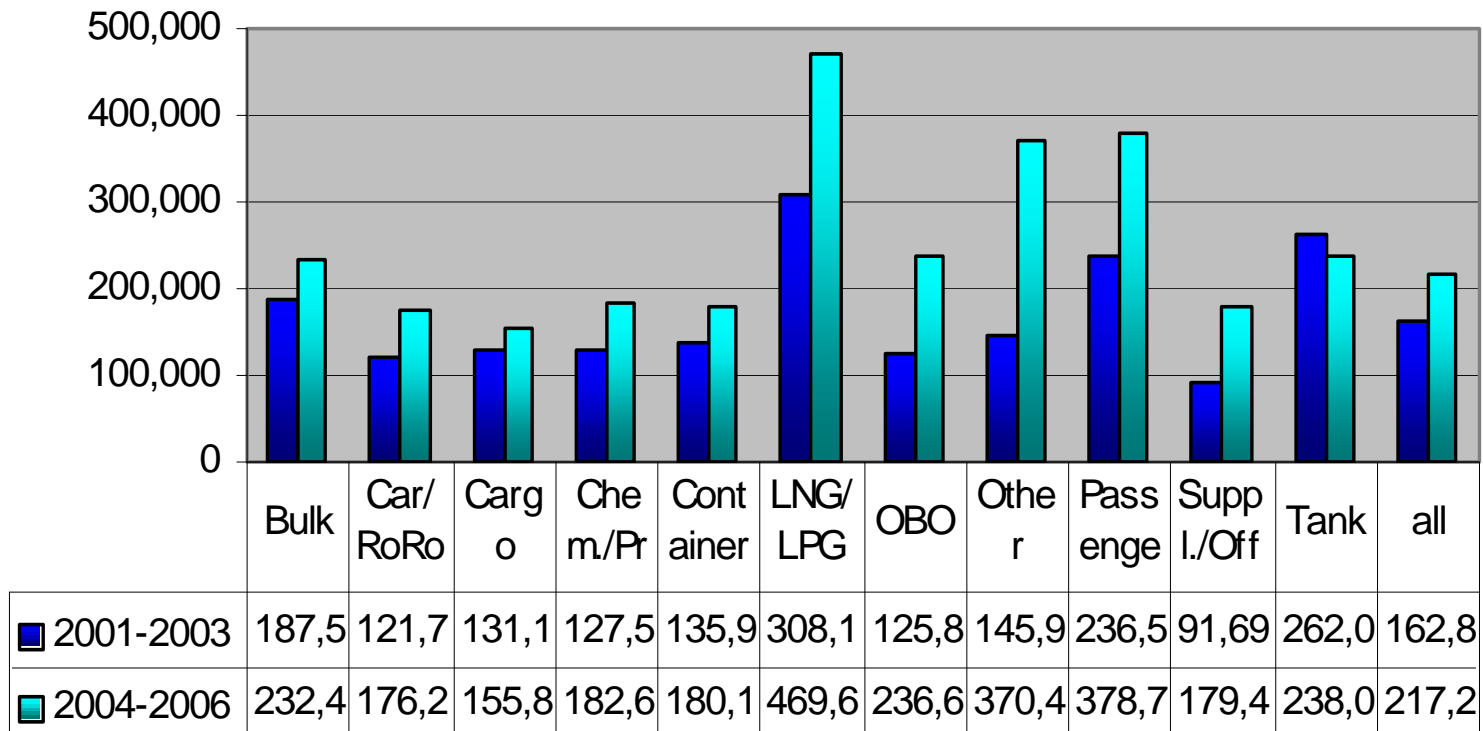


3.b. Engine claims

Engine - Claim per vessel



Engine - Average claim



Average engine claim up for all vessel types except tank.





Summing up special claim trends

- Sharp cost increase of all claim types
- No frequency increase for any claim types
- Overall increase in claim per vessel for nearly all vessel types and claim types

Congested waters, shortage of qualified crew, harder trade, etc....

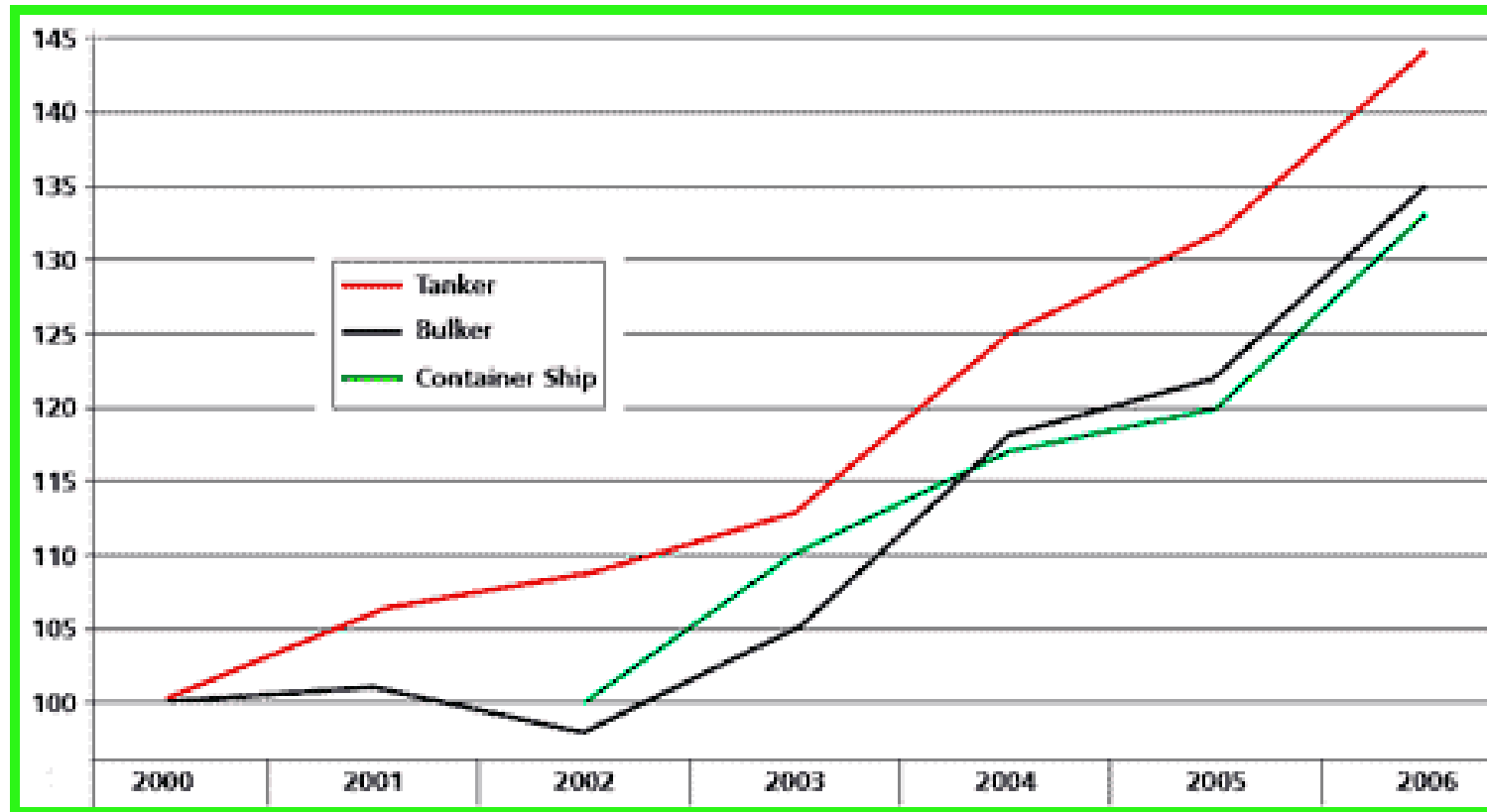
=> Should have had less homogenous effects and effected the frequency?



Cost-driving factors



3.c. Cost driving factors – Ship operating costs



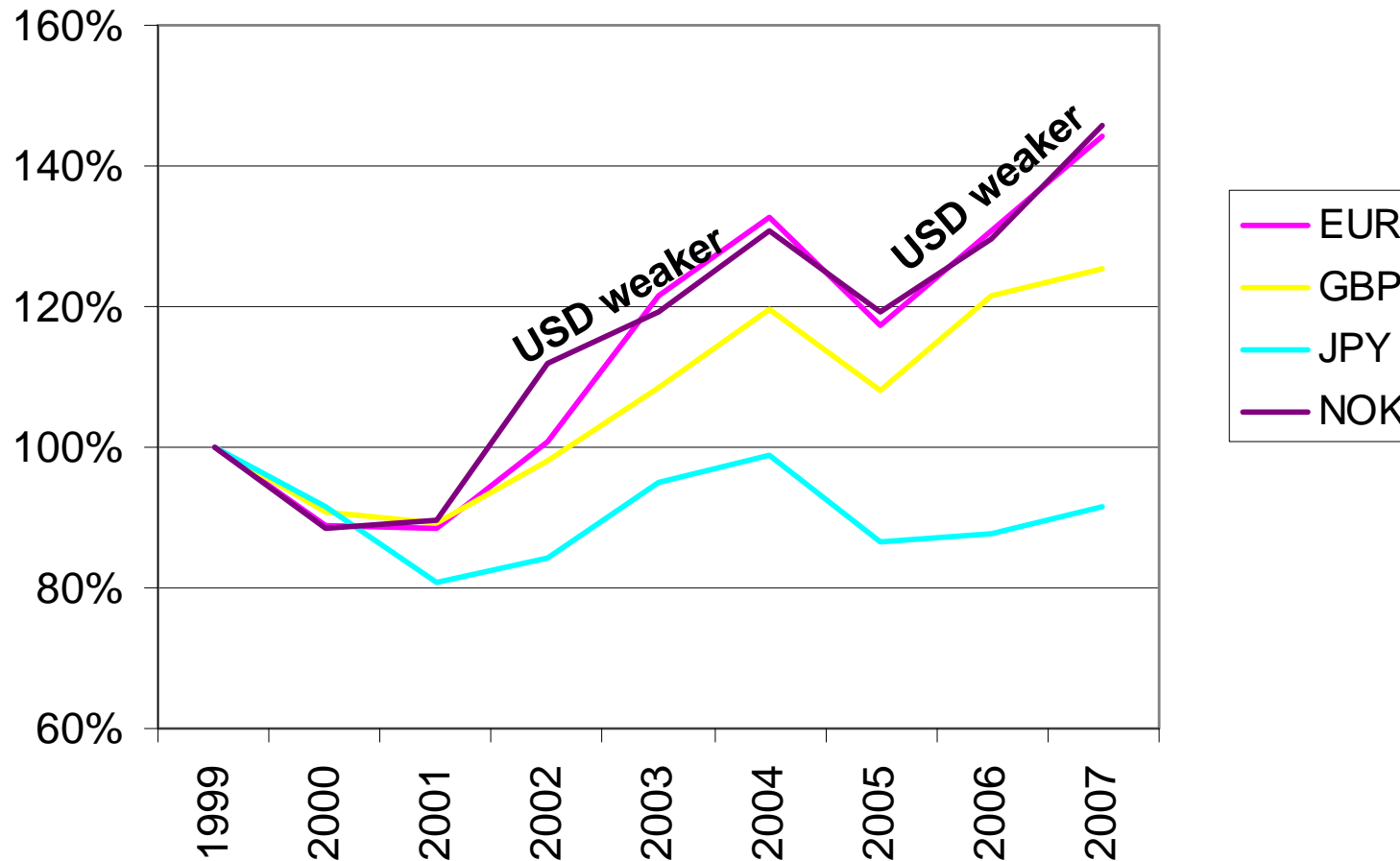
How Moore Stephens index of ship operating costs has increased.

Ship operating costs continued on a relentless upward path through last year with the average increase across all vessel types running to 8.5%.

Tradewinds, 24th September 2007



3.c. Cost driving factors – Exchange rates

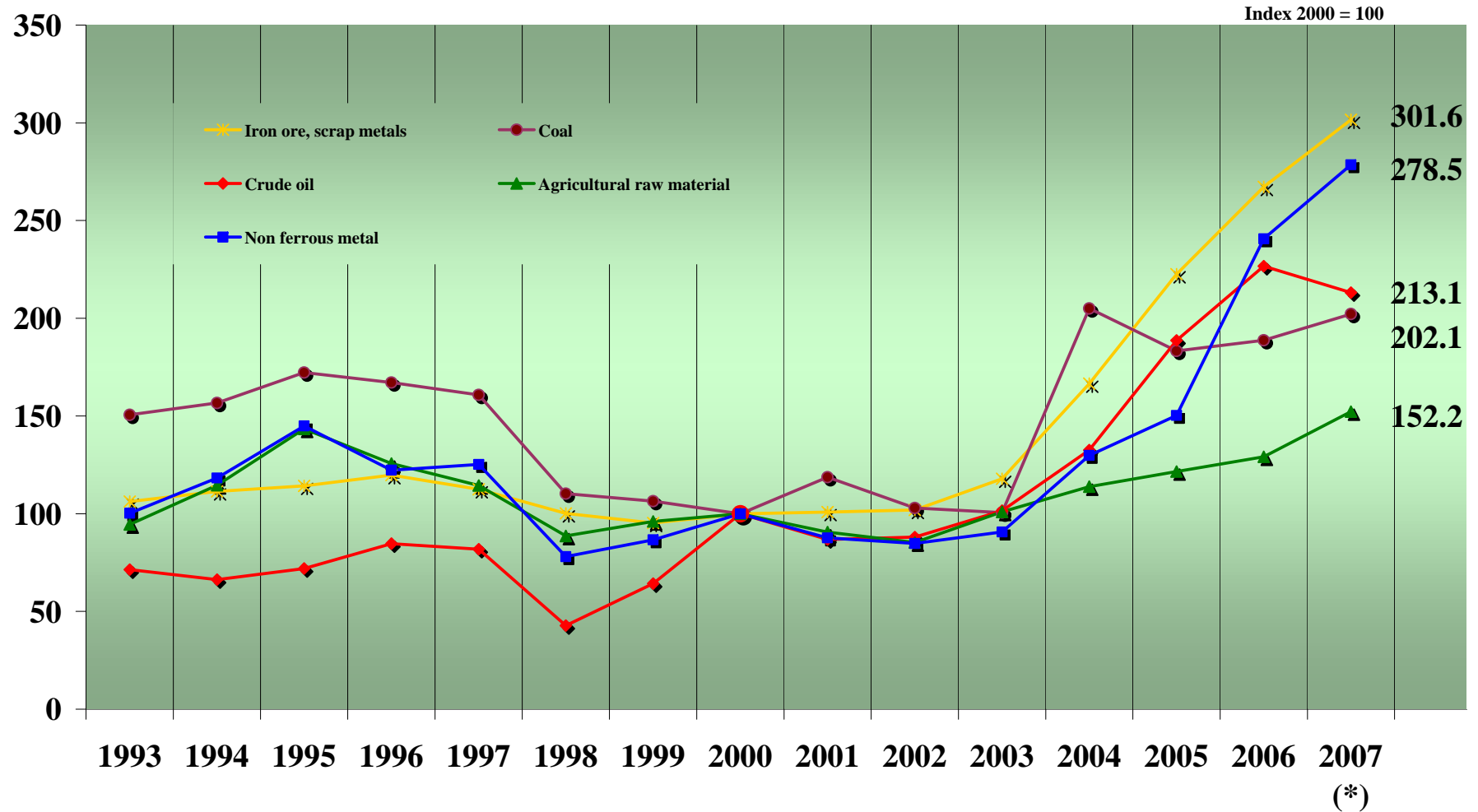


- Hull policies / premium payments often in USD.
 - Repair costs paid in local currency at site of repair yard or affected by spare parts, labor costs etc. paid in other currencies than USD
- => weaker dollar = higher repair costs in USD



3.c. World Market Price Indices for selected commodities

Annual Average (1993-2006) – Average in 2007 as at end of May (*)

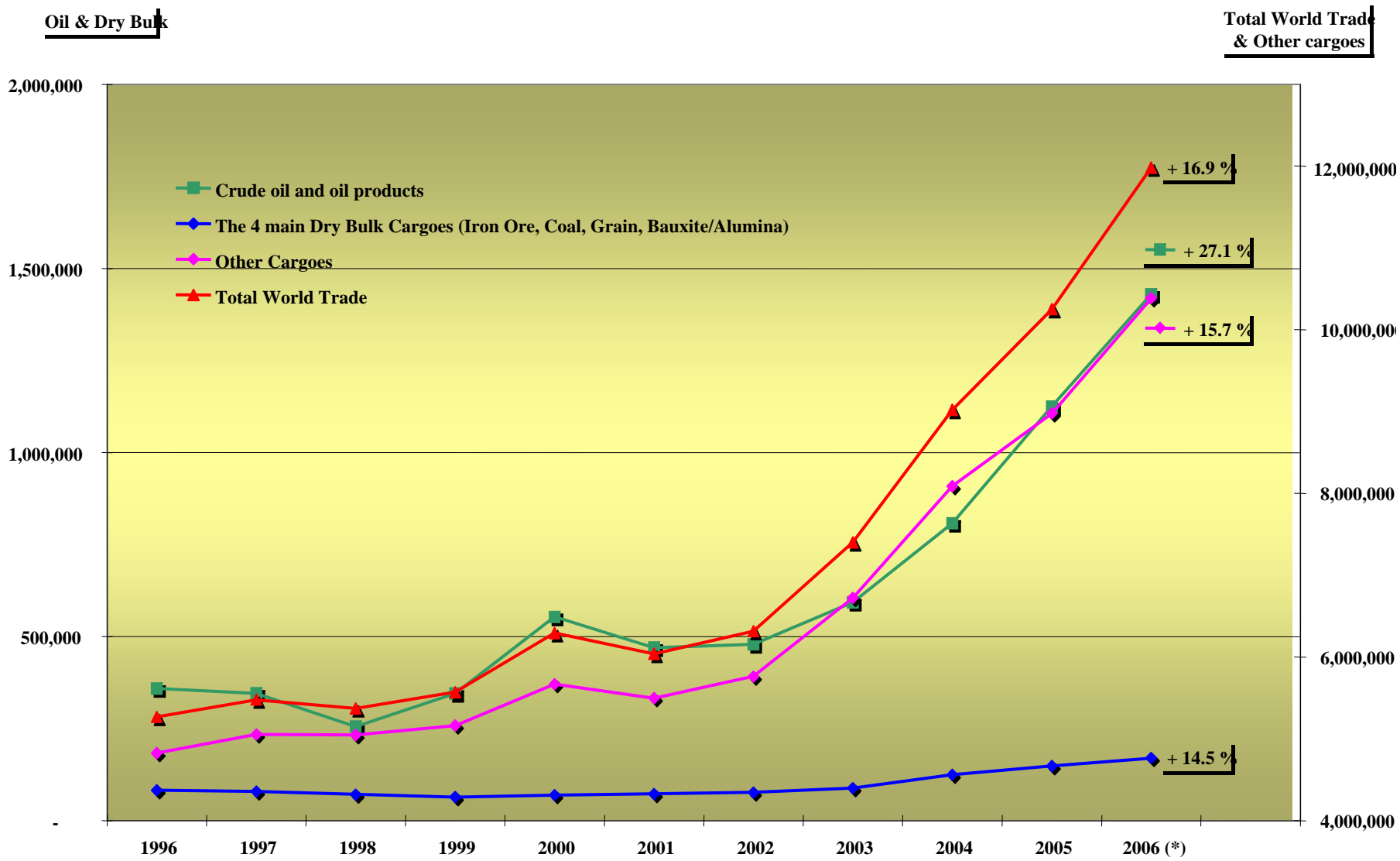


Source: « Global Shipping Market Trends », IUMI Conference 2007



3.c. World Trade Values

Development 1996-2006 (in million USD) – Growth rate in 2006



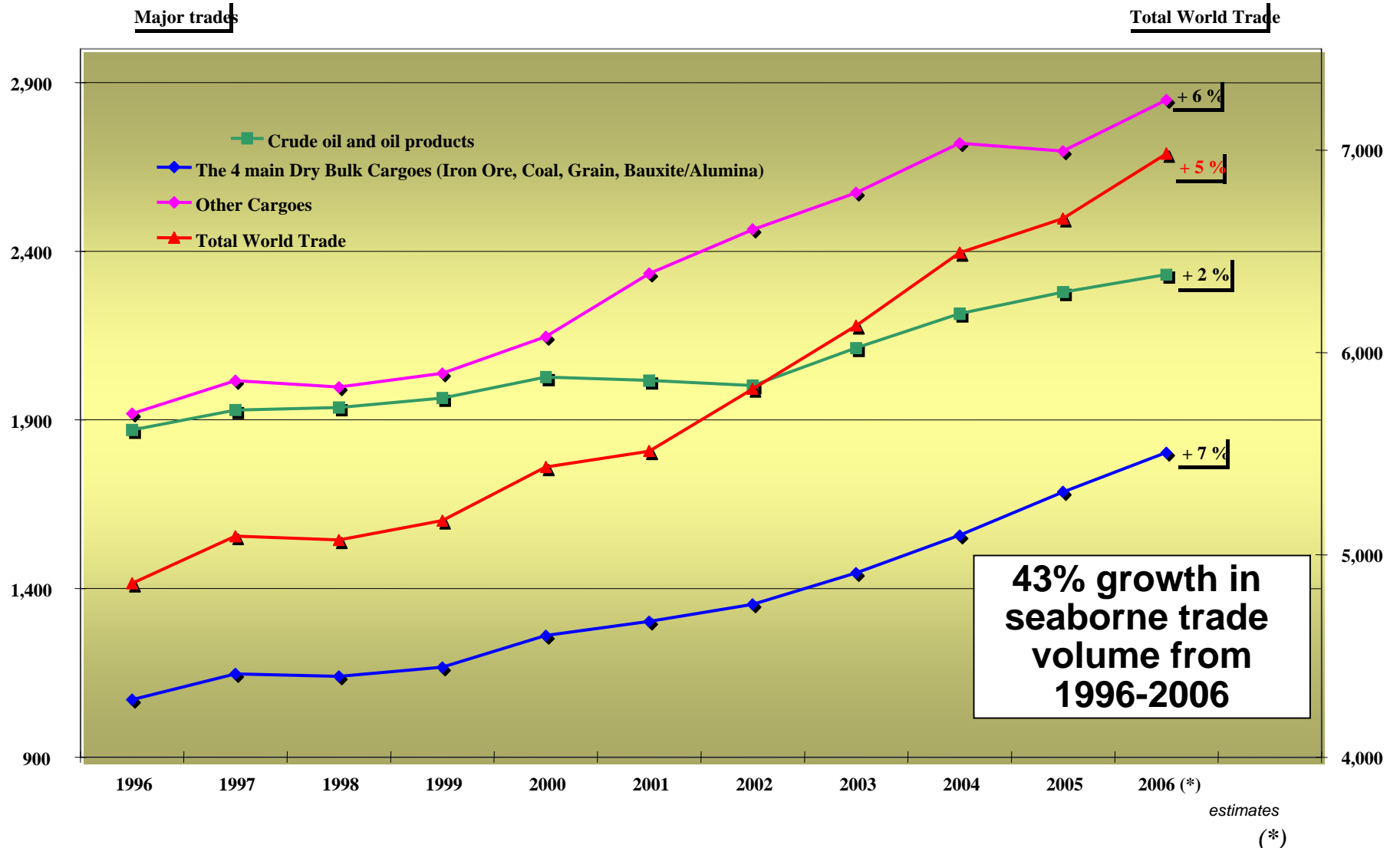
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Development 1996-2006 (in million tonnes) - Growth rate in 2006

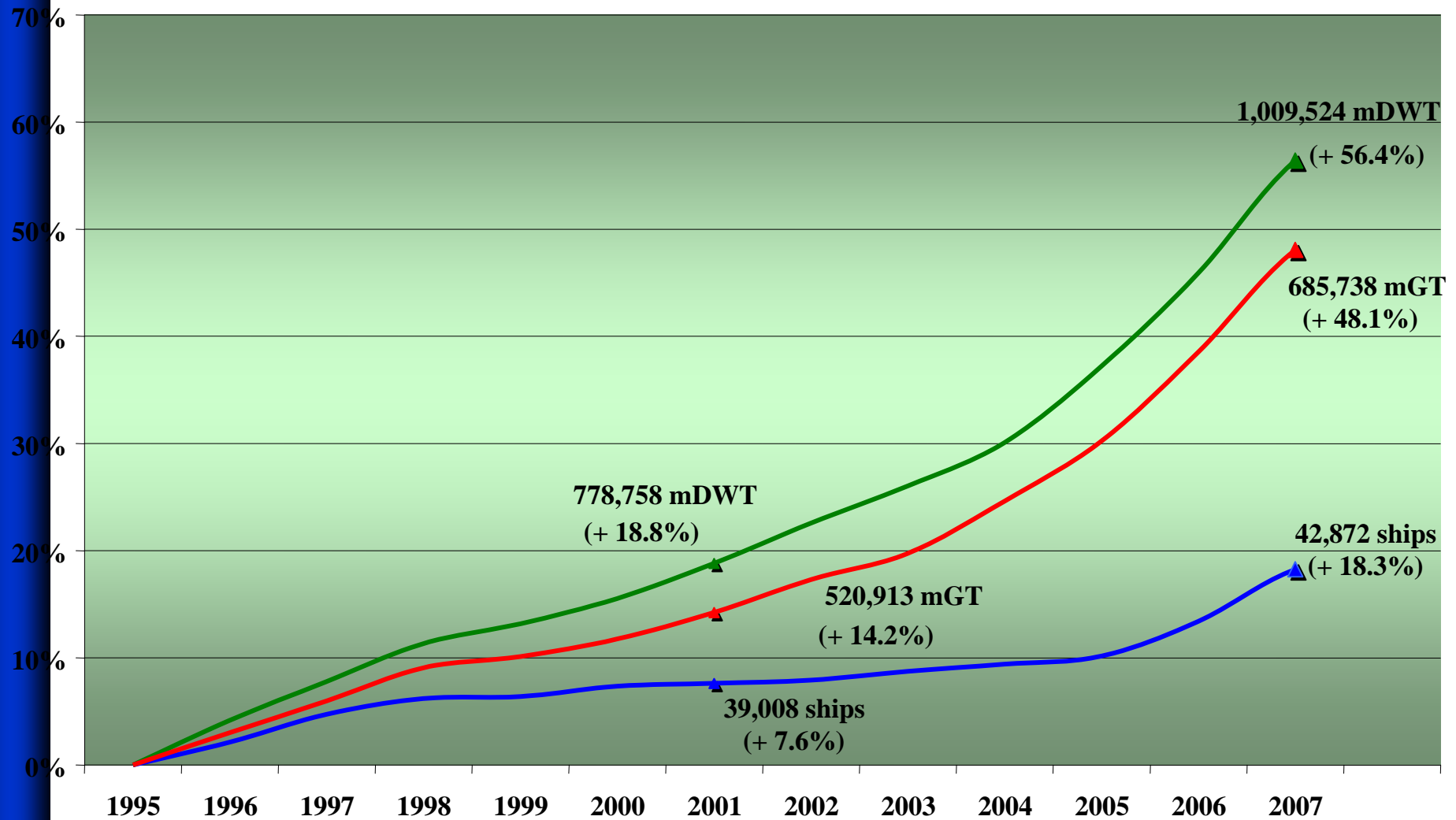


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World Merchant Fleet of ships of 300gt and over

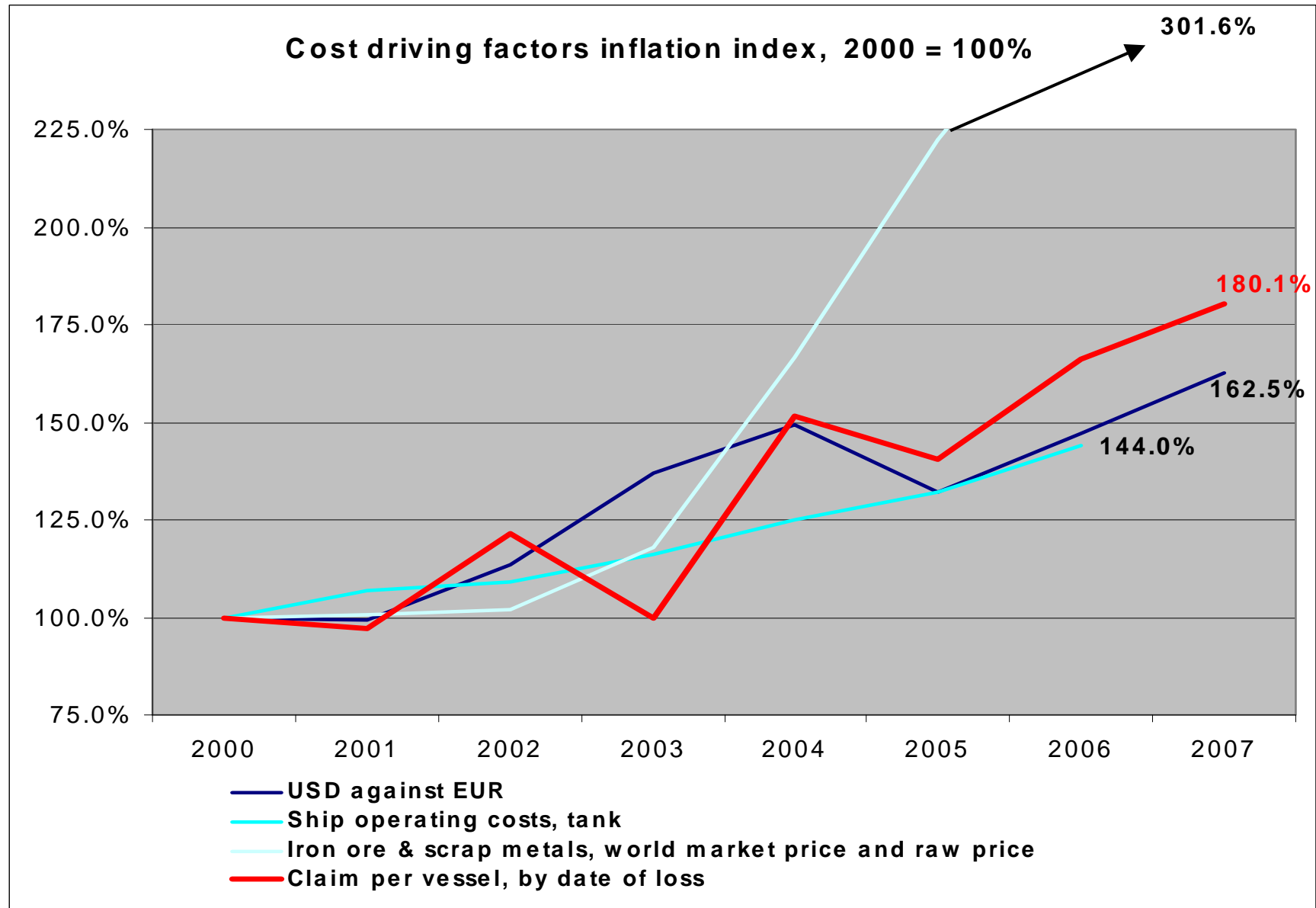
Evolution of the growth rates (GT, DWT, and Number of ships)
between 1995 and 2007



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3.c. Cost driving factors inflation index





Summing up cost driving factors

- ÷ Increase in ship operating costs
- ÷ Increase in steel prices -> repair costs
- ÷ Weakening of USD -> premiums paid in USD, claims affected by other currencies -> increase in repair costs (or reduced repair quality)?
- ? Increase in global trade volume and values -> ships driven harder, less time for maintenance – or compensated by a larger and more effective world fleet?
- ? Is slack and off-hire good...?