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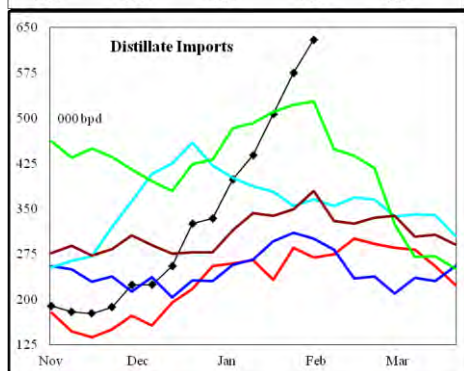
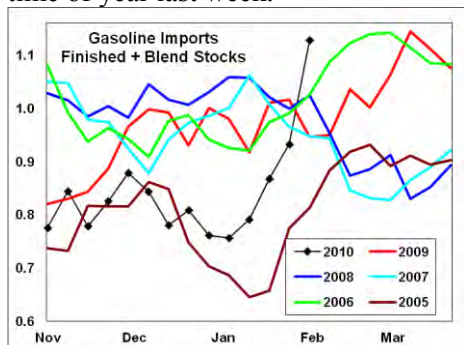
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Major Fundamental Trends¹

Imports of gasoline and distillate reached record weekly highs for this time of year last week.



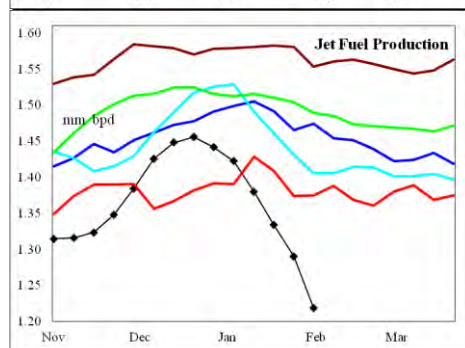
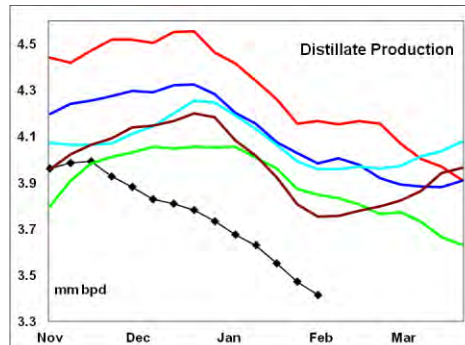
This surge in imports drove combined gasoline and distillate stock builds in PADD 1 of +2.6 million barrels on the week.

Gasoline wholesale demand increased +153,000 bpd on the week, initiating the seasonal uptrend. However, the demand level remains weak, with the latest 4-wk average -178,000 bpd below last year.

Distillate demand was nearly unchanged on the week, with the 4-wk average -443,000 bpd below a year ago. In-season heating oil demand and robust exports from the Gulf did not offset weak domestic transport demand.

Refiners cut output of middle distillates -161,000 bpd last week, to a new record low level. Even with the record low production, stock levels remain very high in nearly all regional markets. Readily available imports

should keep the East Coast well supply through the remainder of the winter heating season. Excess refining capacity in all regional markets point toward ongoing excess supply of middle distillates.



Demand for gasoline increased last week, while middle distillates were unchanged. Residual fuel oil demand spiked +401,000 bpd

Wholesale demand (including exports) measured over the last four weeks compared to a year ago: gasoline decreased -2%; distillate down -11%; jet fuel up +4.7% while residual fuel oil decreased -21%.

Stocks forward coverage: Gasoline demand coverage reached a new record high on a +2.3 million barrel stock build last week, driven by a surge in production and imports.

Distillate demand coverage remains extremely high on very weak demand and record imports.

Jet fuel coverage decreased on a -0.9 million barrel stock draw last week. Coverage matched last years' record high for the period.

Residual fuel oil coverage declined on a +401,000 bpd surge in demand and modest -0.2 million barrel stock draw.

Refinery utilization rates increased on a +129,000 bpd increase in crude oil runs. Runs were 563,000 bpd below last years' record low rate.

Gasoline yield % on crude oil runs increased on a +223,000 bpd rise in production. Yield % remains well above the 5-year range.

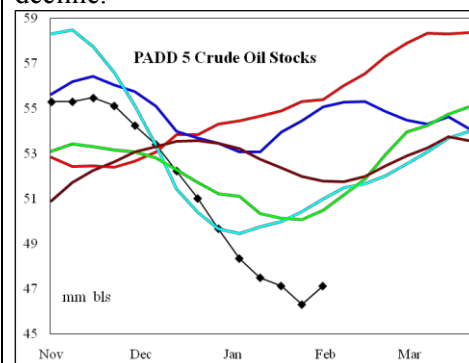
Distillate yield % on crude oil runs fell to a new five year low on a -71,000 bpd decline in production.

Jet fuel yield % on crude oil runs fell to a new 5-year low on a -90,000 bpd drop in production.

Petroleum Imports of gasoline and distillate increased a combined +434,000 bpd last week, with each product hitting a record high for the period.

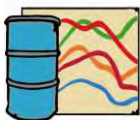
During the latest 4-wk period distillate imports increased +262,000 bpd compared to last year; finished gasoline imports decreased -42,000 bpd, gasoline blend stock imports decreased -160,000 bpd; jet fuel imports were +44,000 bpd higher while residual fuel oil imports declined -79,000 bpd.

Crude oil stocks increased +2.4 million barrels last week, concentrated in PADDs 3 and 5. Stock levels are now -19 million barrels below last years' record high. Record low stocks in PADD 5 account for nearly 1/2 of the decline.



Stocks decreased -0.7 million barrels in Cushing.

¹ Source is latest EIA Weekly Statistics



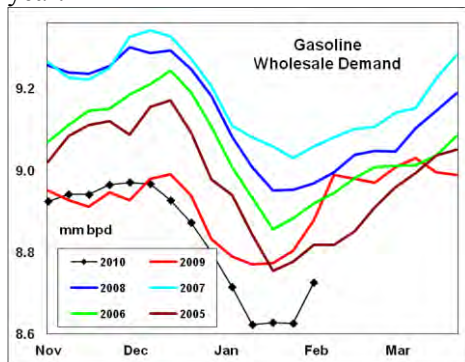
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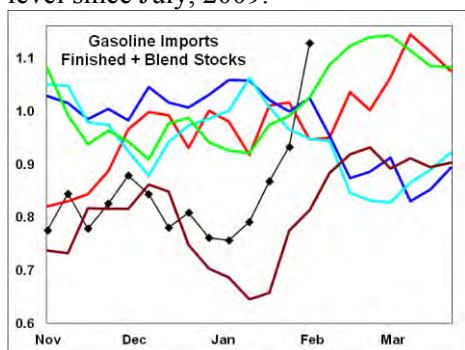
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Product Supply-Demand Trends

Gasoline demand began the seasonal uptrend this week with a +153,000 bpd rise week-on-week. The latest 4-wk average was -178,000 bpd below last year.

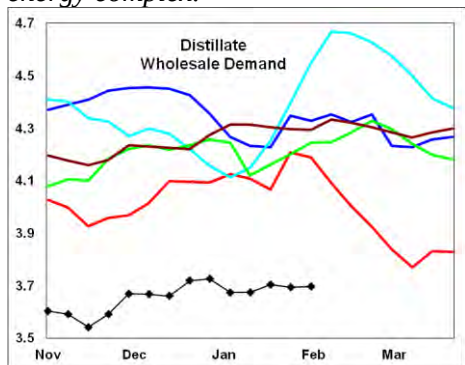


Gasoline production increased +223,000 bpd. Imports climbed +242,000 bpd, this highest weekly level since July, 2009.



The jump in supply led to a +2.3 million barrel stock build on the week. Stock levels remain at a 5-year high for the period.

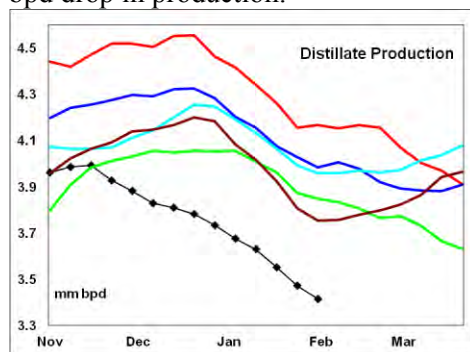
Seasonal demand should continue to trend higher, offsetting the increased supply. Expect gasoline price strength compared to the overall energy complex.



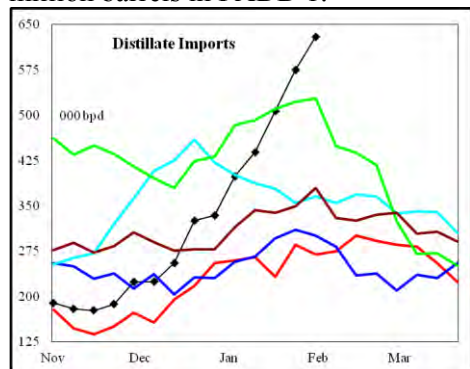
Distillate demand increased +37,000 bpd last week, with the latest 4-wk

demand average -443,000 bpd below last year.

Imports surged +192,000 bpd on the week, partially offset by a -71,000 bpd drop in production.

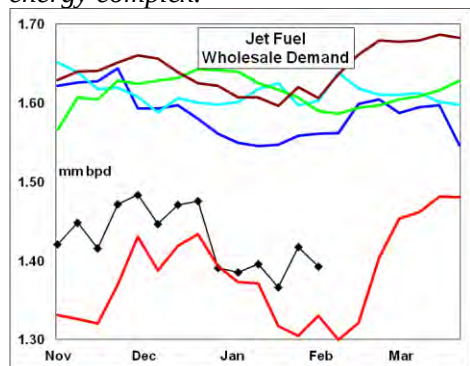


Stocks declined -0.4 million barrels on exceptionally low production, although record imports lifted stocks by +0.9 million barrels in PADD 1.



Distillate wholesale demand remains extremely weak in light of peak heating oil use and strong exports from the Gulf. Production has fallen to new record lows as refiners strive to balance supply with demand weakness.

Expect distillate prices to remain very weak compared to the overall energy complex.



Jet Fuel demand declined -37,000 bpd last week, with the latest 4-wk average

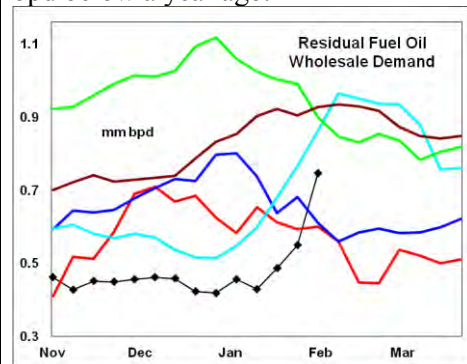
+61,000 bpd above a year ago.

Jet fuel supply decreased -97,000 bpd last week, with production falling to a new 5-year record low. Stocks decreased -0.9 million barrels, on the record low supply. Stock levels remain well above each of the last 3-years.

Wholesale demand continues to run slightly ahead of last years' record low. Refiners have cut output -83,000 bpd below a year ago for the most recent 4-year period.

A seasonal upturn in demand and continued low production should lead to an improving supply balance during the quarter.

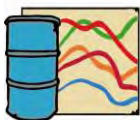
Residual fuel oil demand, including exports, spiked +401,000 bpd last week, with the 4-wk average -146,000 bpd below a year ago.



Combined production and imports climbed +103,000 bpd on the week. Imports matched the 5-year high on the week. Stock levels were at the mid range.

Residual fuel oil stocks continue to extend the recent uptrend in PADDs 1 and 5, although the level remains well below the historic range. Supply is improving in these regions. Supply remains excessive in the Gulf.

Residual fuel prices should remain relatively weak in the Gulf compared to the overall energy complex.



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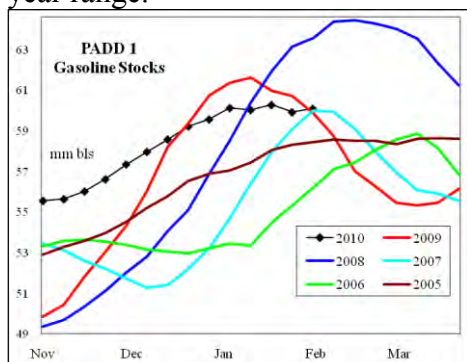
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PADD Supply Trends

PADD 1 refinery crude oil runs increased +11,000 bpd, with the 4-wk average -247,000 bpd below last years' record low level. Crude oil imports fell -319,000 bpd last week. Stocks increased 0.6 million barrels, but remain at the low end of the historic range.

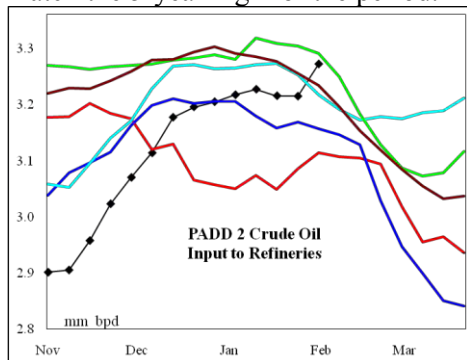
Gasoline production was unchanged while imports climbed +122,000 bpd. Stocks increased +1.7 million barrels on the week, to a level at the upper end of the 5-year range.



Distillate imports jumped +333,000 bpd last week, to a new five year weekly high. The import surge led to a +0.9 million barrel stock build, even with high heating demand. Stock levels are at five year highs.

Jet fuel supply decreased -16,000 bpd last week, to a new record low. Stock levels slipped to the mid range.

PADD 2 crude oil refinery runs increased +68,000 bpd last week to match the 5-year high for the period.



Imports were above the historic range, although high runs led to a -1.8 million barrel stock draw. Stock levels remain near last years' record level. Stocks

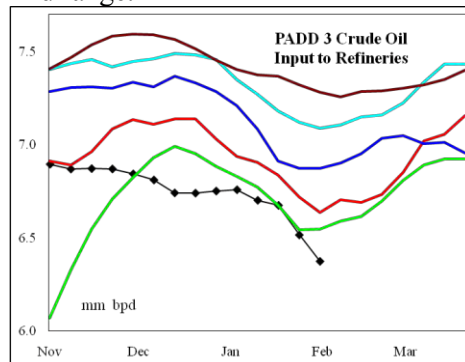
decreased -0.7 million barrels in Cushing, where the level is now -2 million barrels below last year.

Gasoline production increased +43,000 bpd last week, to a level at the 5-year mid range. Stocks increased +0.7 million barrels to a new five year high for the period.

Distillate production decreased -18,000 bpd on the week, to near the low end of the historic range. Stocks decreased -0.7 million barrels but remains at the upper end of the historic range.

Jet fuel production decreased -17,000 bpd last week, to a new record low. Stock levels match the five year high.

PADD 3 refinery crude oil runs decreased -97,000 bpd on the week, to a new record low for the period. Low runs led to a +2.3 million barrel stock build, with the level near the 5-year mid range.



Gasoline production jumped +178,000 bpd. Imports also climbed +112,000 bpd to a record level for the period. Stocks were unchanged at a record high.

Distillate combined production and imports fell -189,000 bpd on the week. Reduced supply led to a -0.8 million barrel stock draw. Stock levels remain well above the historic range.

Jet fuel supply decreased -55,000 bpd last week, falling to new five year low. Stocks decreased -0.4 million barrels, but remains well above the last three years.

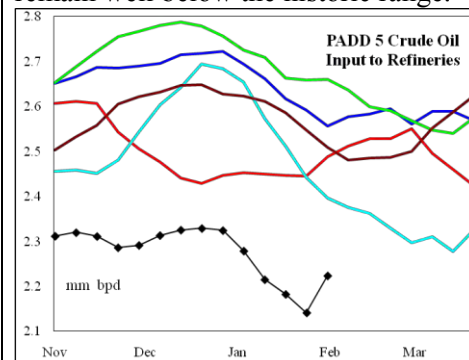
Residual fuel oil stocks decreased -0.7 million barrels on a surge in exports; however stock levels remain sharply above the 5-year range.

PADD 4 refinery crude oil runs increased +11,000 bpd on the week with the latest 4-wk average -30,000 bpd below year ago levels. Light product yield % on crude oil runs fell to a record low for the period as downstream unit maintenance limited output of finished products.

Gasoline production decreased -22,000 bpd last week, to a level that matches the five year low. Stock levels remain well below the historic range.

Distillate production was unchanged on the week, at a five year low for the period. Stock levels match five year highs.

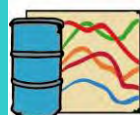
PADD 5 crude oil refinery runs increased +136,000 bpd on the week, with the latest 4-wk average -271,000 bpd below last year; the result of winter maintenance and weak refined fuel demand. Crude oil imports extended the recent uptrend, reaching the mid range; Higher imports lifted stocks +1.5 million barrels. Stocks remain well below the historic range.



Gasoline production increased +23,000 bpd with the latest 4-wk average +48,000 bpd above last years' record low. Stocks decreased -0.2 million barrels on the week, but remain at the upper end of the historic range.

Distillate supply was unchanged, with output below the historic range. Stocks increased +0.3 million barrels, lifting stock levels to the mid range.

Jet fuel supply increased +7,000 bpd with higher imports offsetting record low production. Stock levels were above the mid range.


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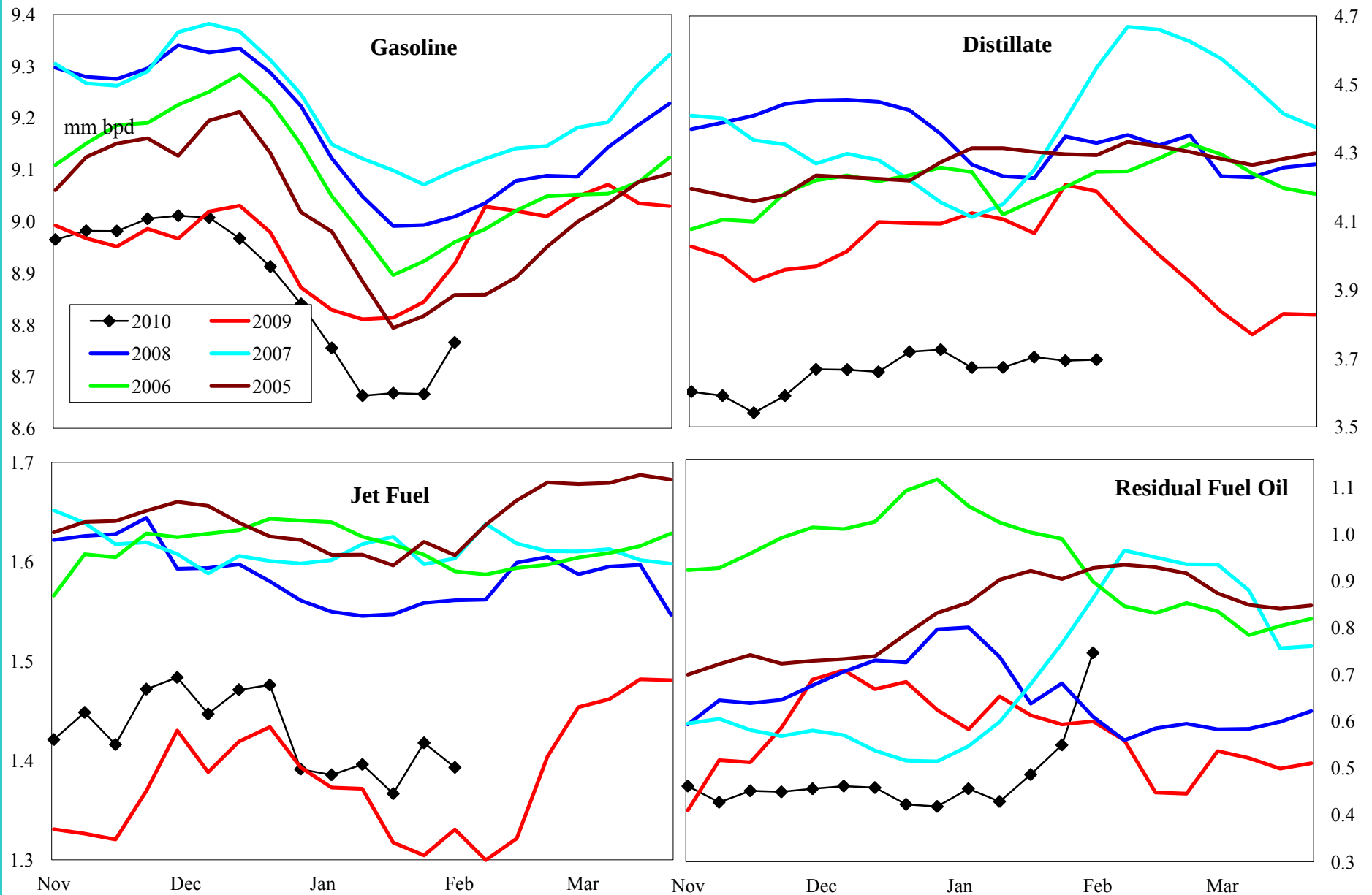
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Fundamental Trends	<u>Wholesale Demand</u>	<u>Stocks Days Fwd Coverage</u>	<u>Refinery Utilization Product Yield %</u>				<u>Imports</u>
Supply/Demand Trends	5-Feb-10	EIA-DOE CHANGE FROM PRIOR WEEK					
	000 bpd stocks 000 bls	U. S. Total	PADD				
			1	2	3	4	5
<u>Crude Oil</u>	Stocks	2,424	600	-1,810	2,315	-168	1,487
	Imports	-84	-319	111	-53	84	93
	Input	129	11	68	-97	11	136
	% Utilization	1.41					
<u>Gasoline</u>	Stocks	2,324	1,689	713	65	61	-204
	Production	223	1	43	178	-22	23
	Imports	242	122	0	112	0	8
	Supplied	153					
<u>Distillate</u>	Stocks	-356	881	-659	-823	-7	252
	Production	-71	-10	-18	-49	2	4
	Imports	192	333	-1	-140	0	0
	Supplied	37					
<u>Jet Fuel</u>	Stocks	-865	-115	-217	-369	-155	-9
	Production	-90	-5	-17	-26	-16	-26
	Imports	-7	-11	0	-29	0	33
	Supplied	-37					
<u>Residual Fuel Oil</u>	Stocks	-221	346	16	-693	4	106
	Production	22	2	6	15	-1	0
	Imports	81	27	0	-66	0	120
	Supplied	401					

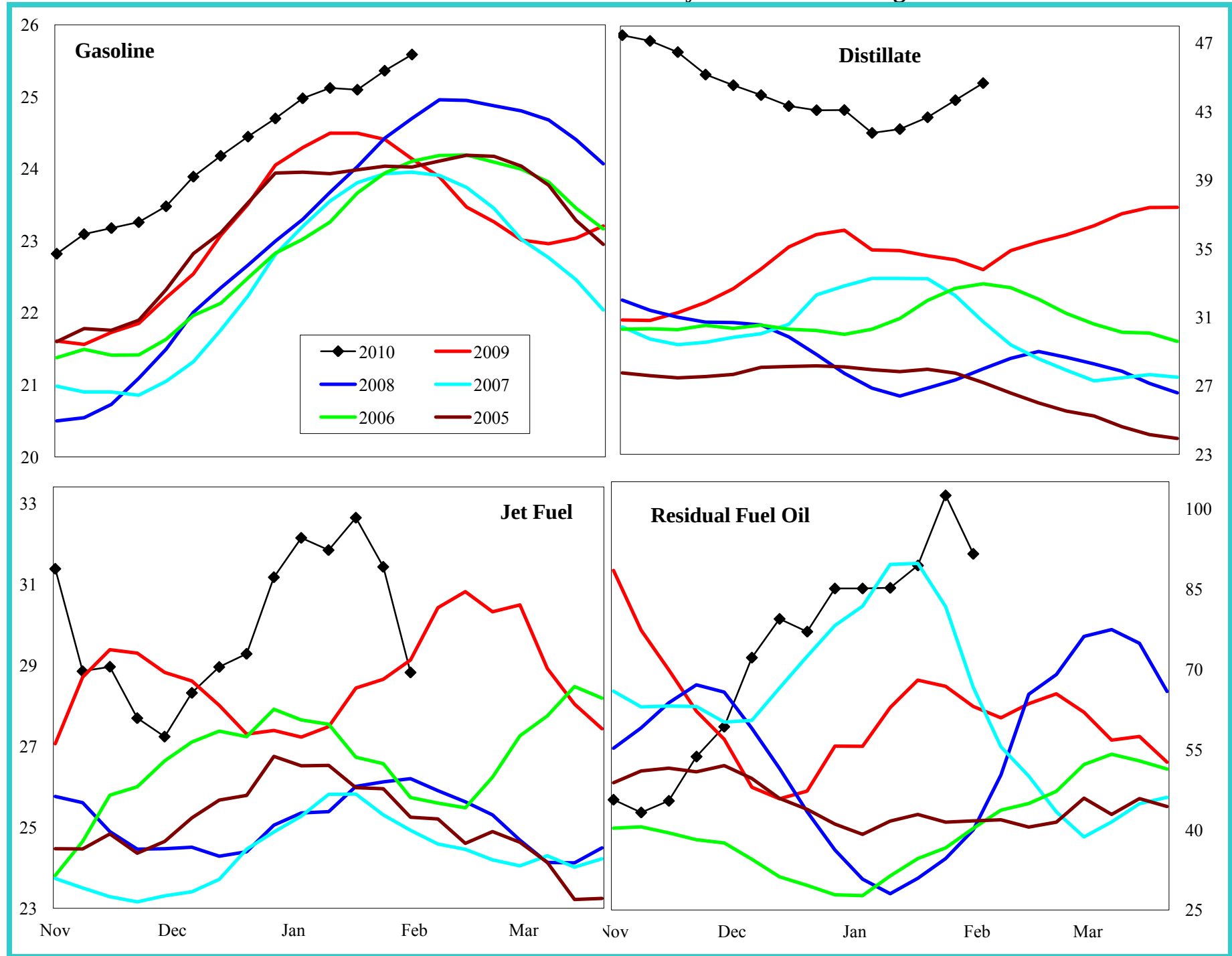
United States Wholesale Petroleum Demand



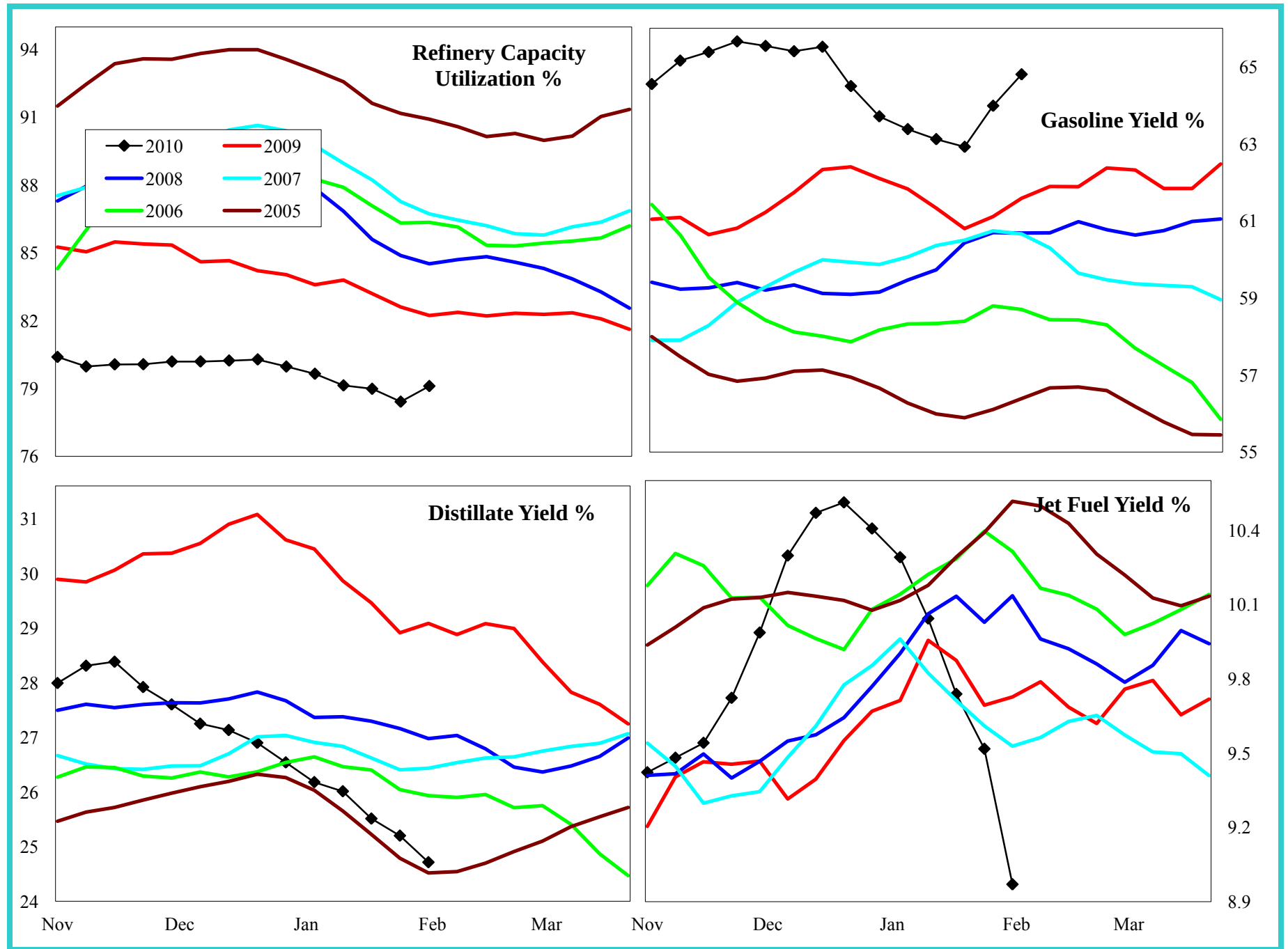
	000 bpd change from prior year				% change from prior year				
	4wk avg	Dec	Nov	Jan	4wk avg	Dec	Nov	Oct	
Gasoline	-178	34	83	-46	-2.0	0.4	0.9	-0.5	
Distillate	-443	-79	-309	-622	-10.6	-2.1	-8.0	-14.9	
Jet Fuel	61	96	-12	-42	4.7	6.9	-0.8	-3.0	
Resid	-146	-273	-41	-4	-21.2	-36.3	-7.9	-0.7	



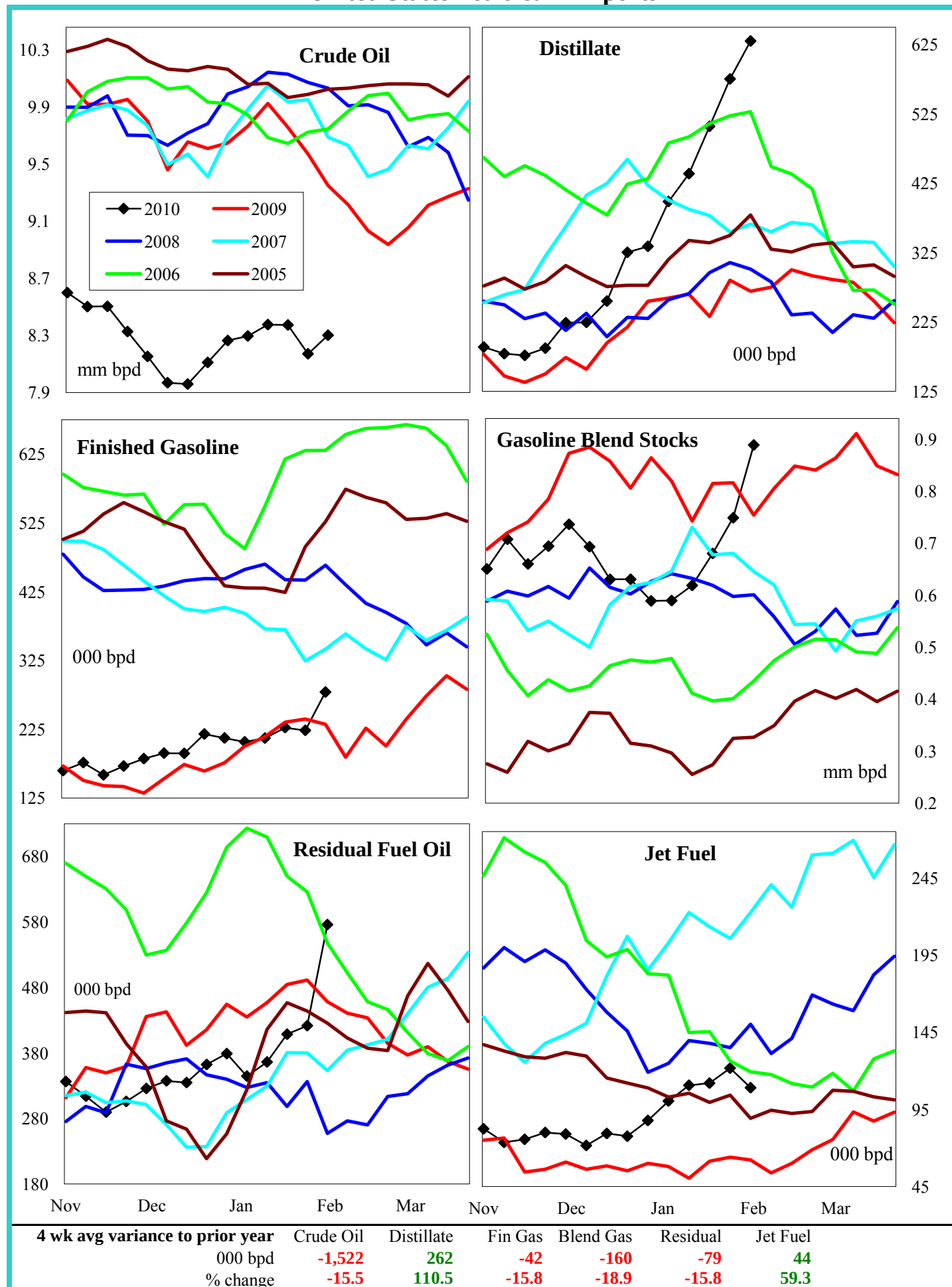
United States Product Stocks: Days Forward Coverage



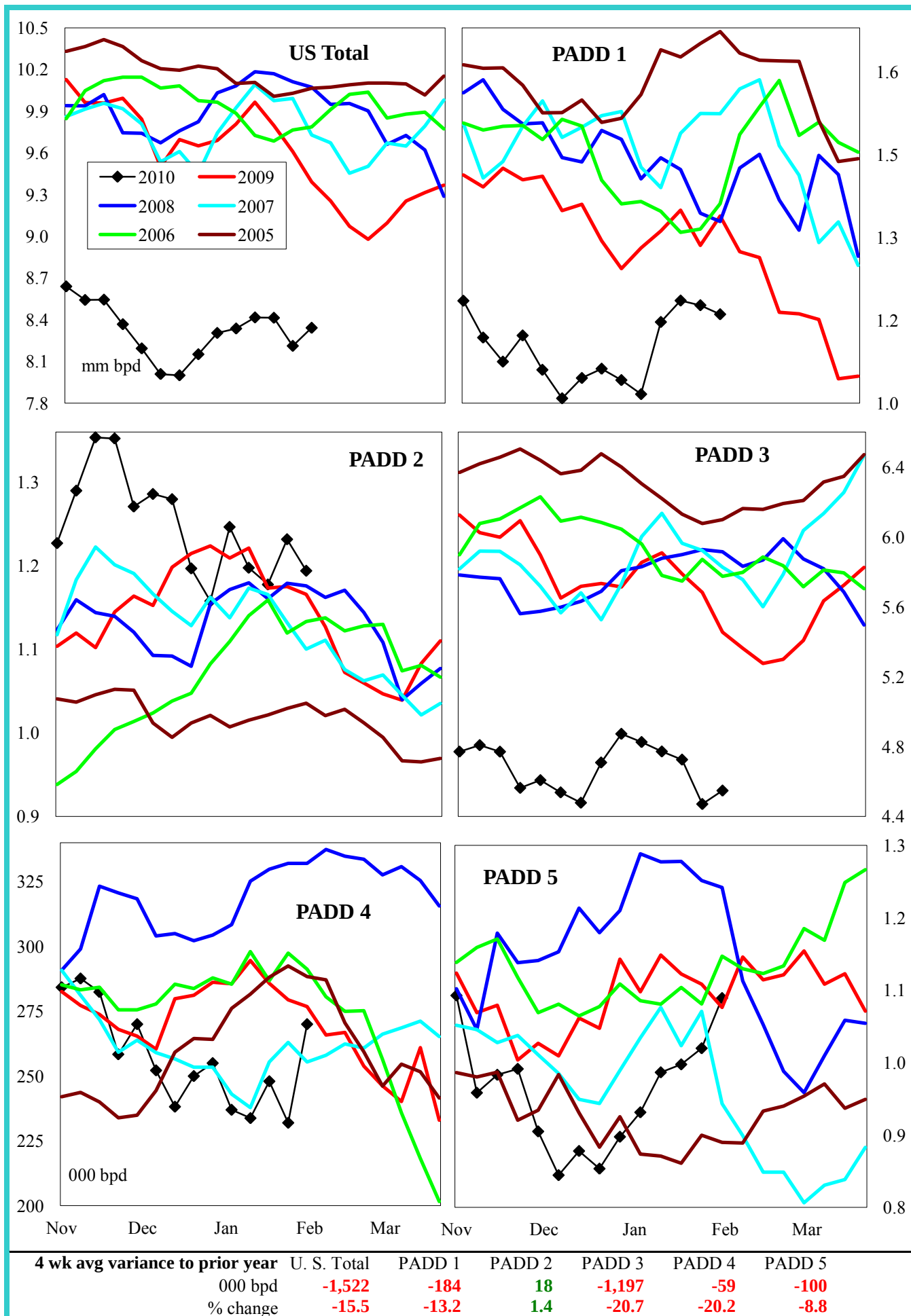
United States Refinery Percent Utilization Rate and Product Yields



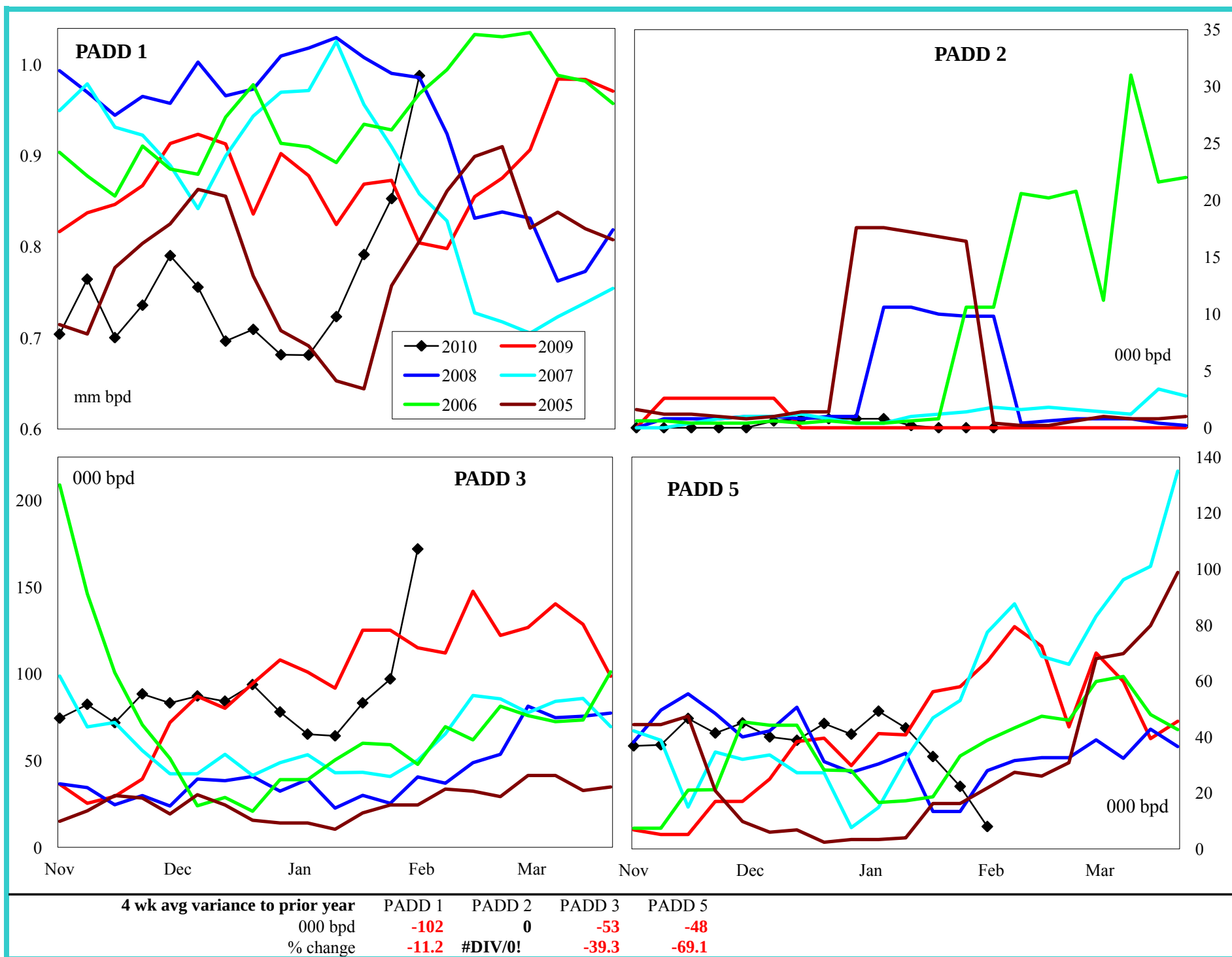
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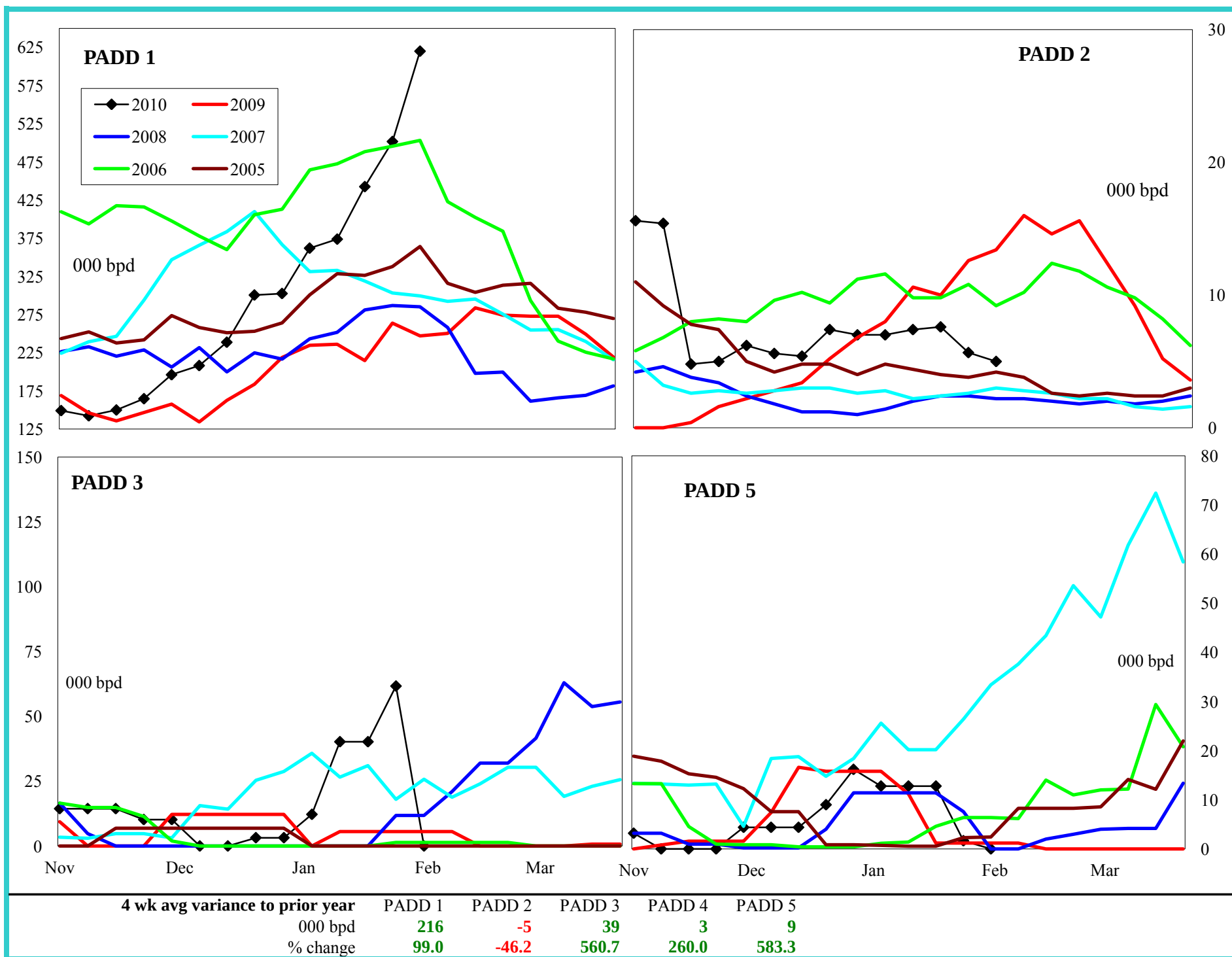
Crude Oil Imports by PADD



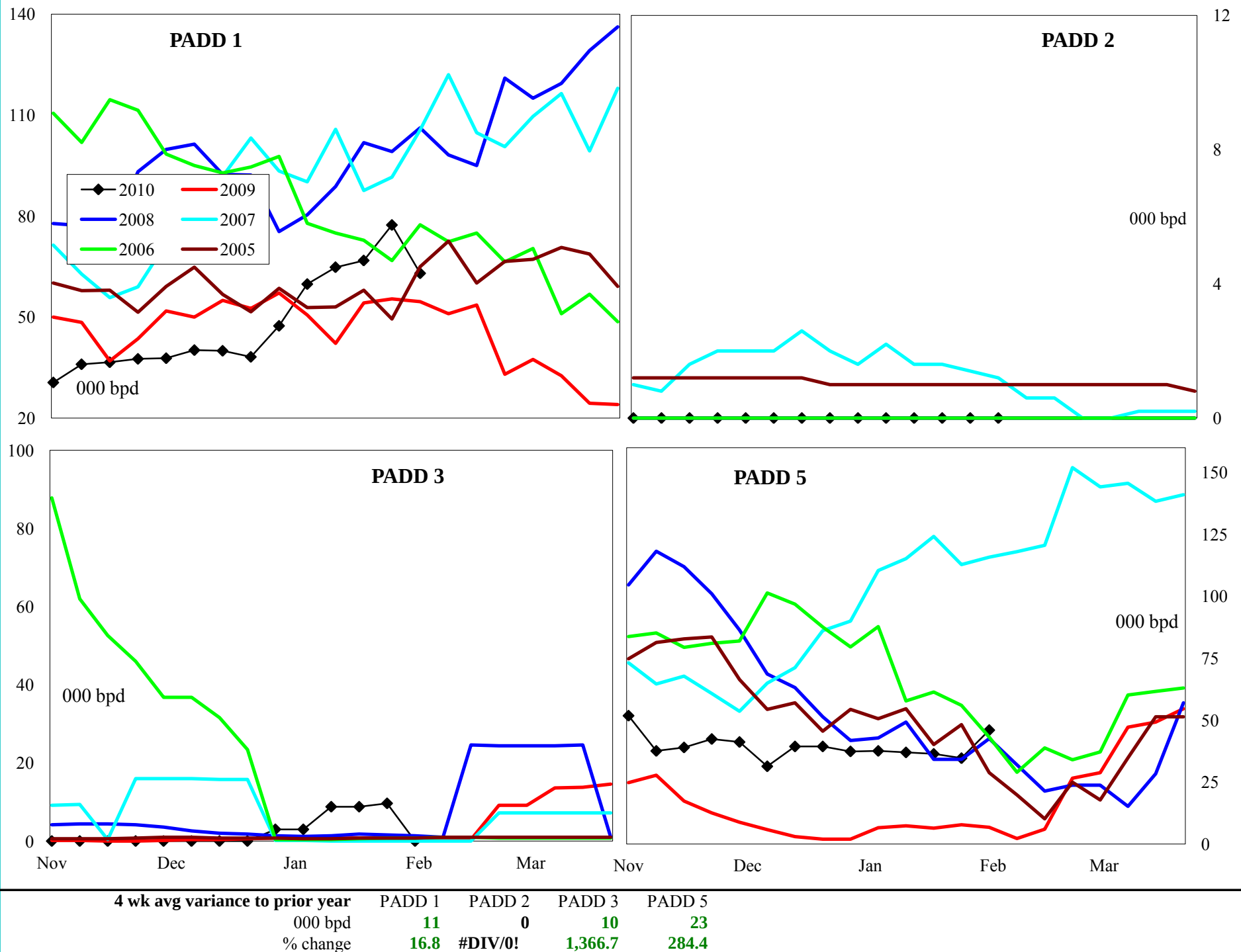
Gasoline Imports by PADD (Finished + Blend Stocks)



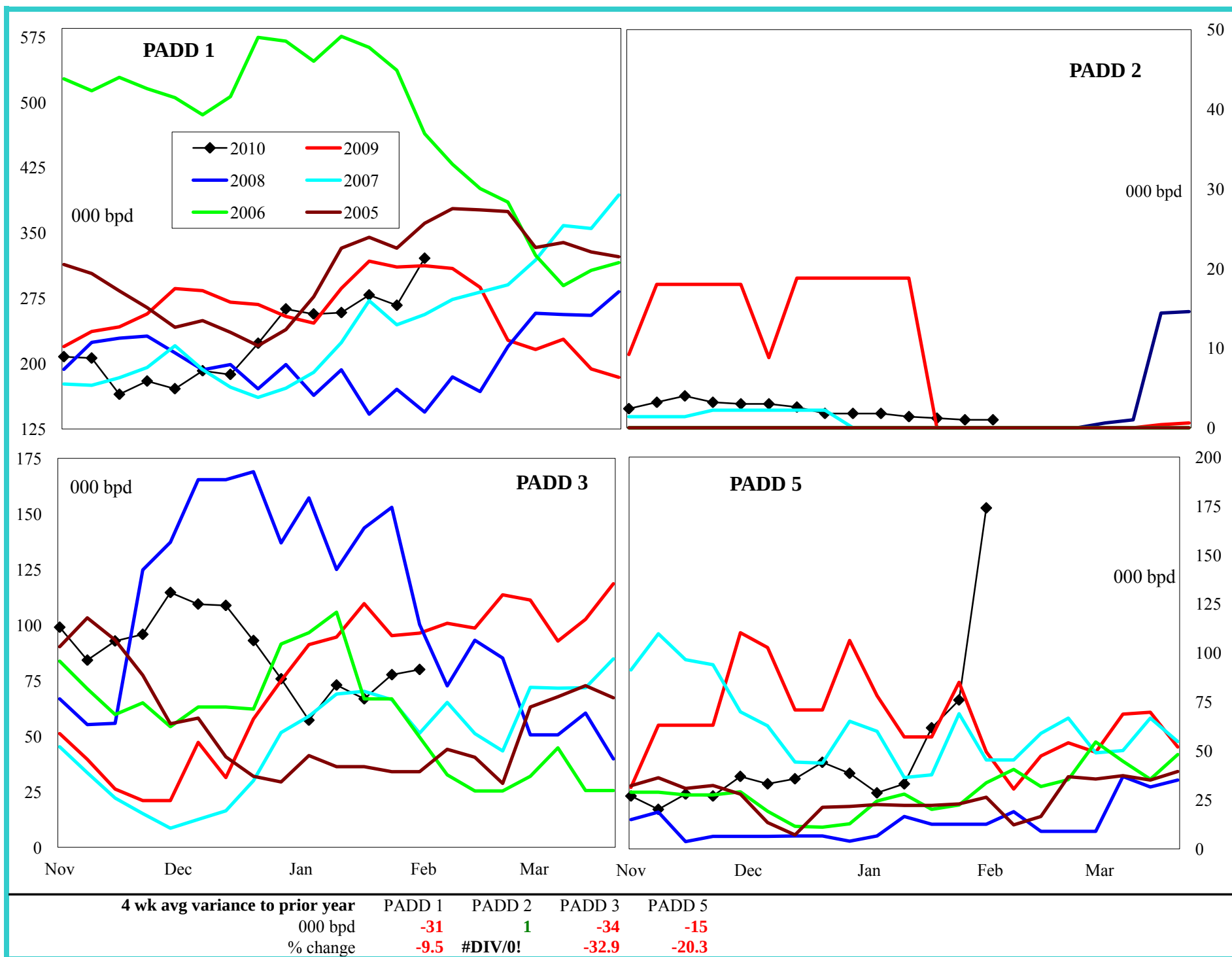
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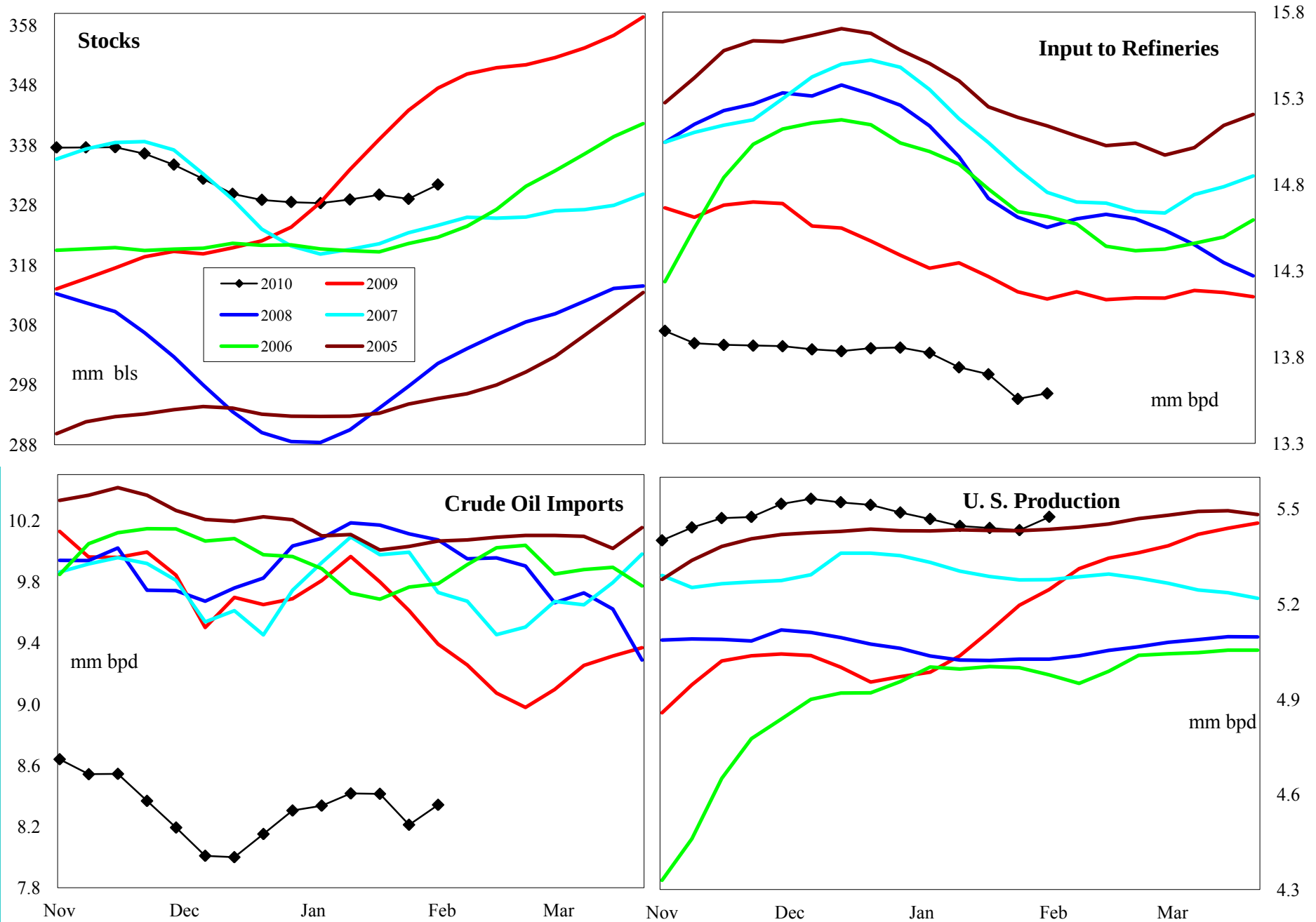
Jet Fuel Imports by PADD



Residual Fuel Oil Imports by PADD



United States Crude Oil Supply and Demand Balance



4 wk avg variance to prior year
 000 bpd (000 bls stks)
 % change

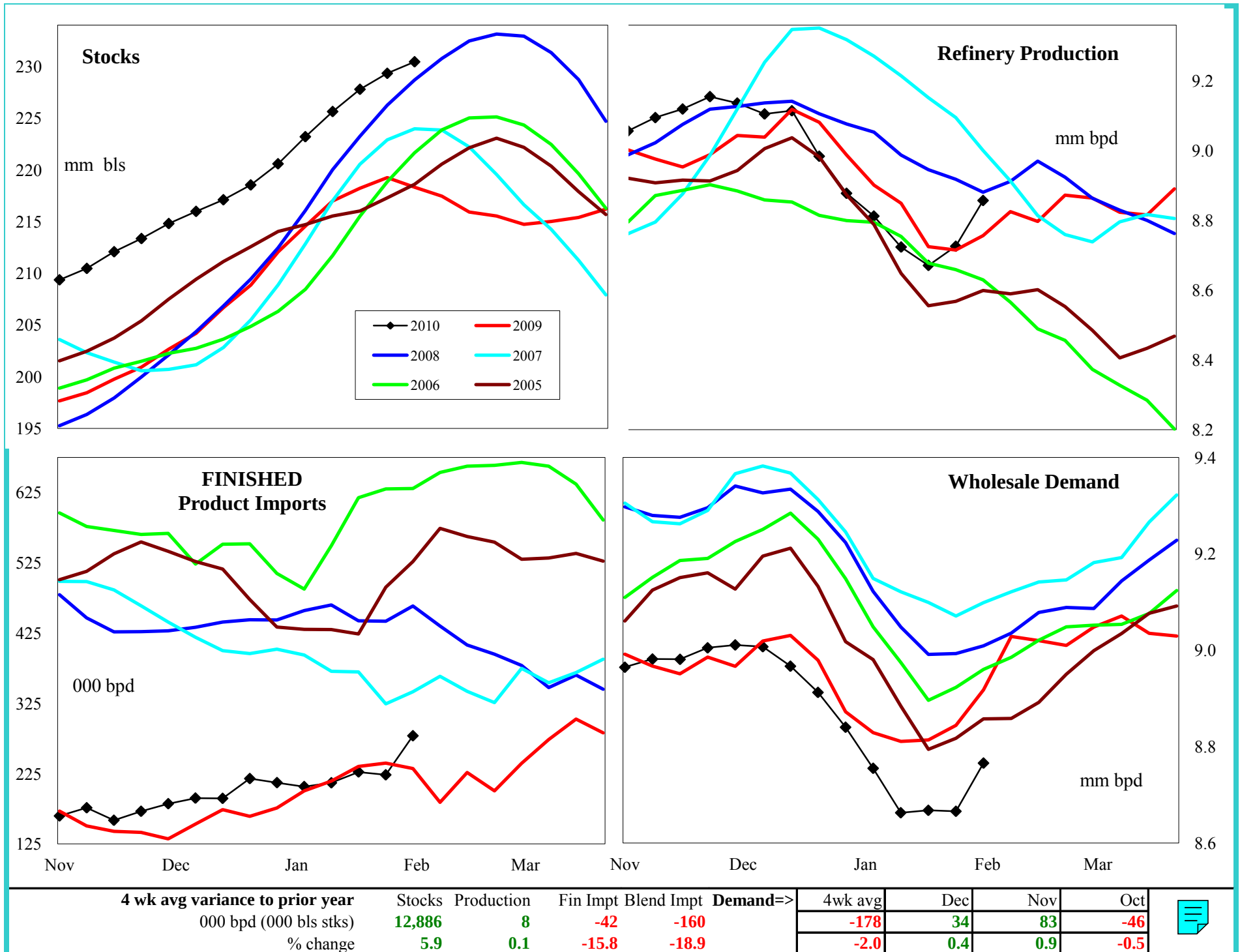
Stocks
-19,350
-5.5

Input
-563
-4.0

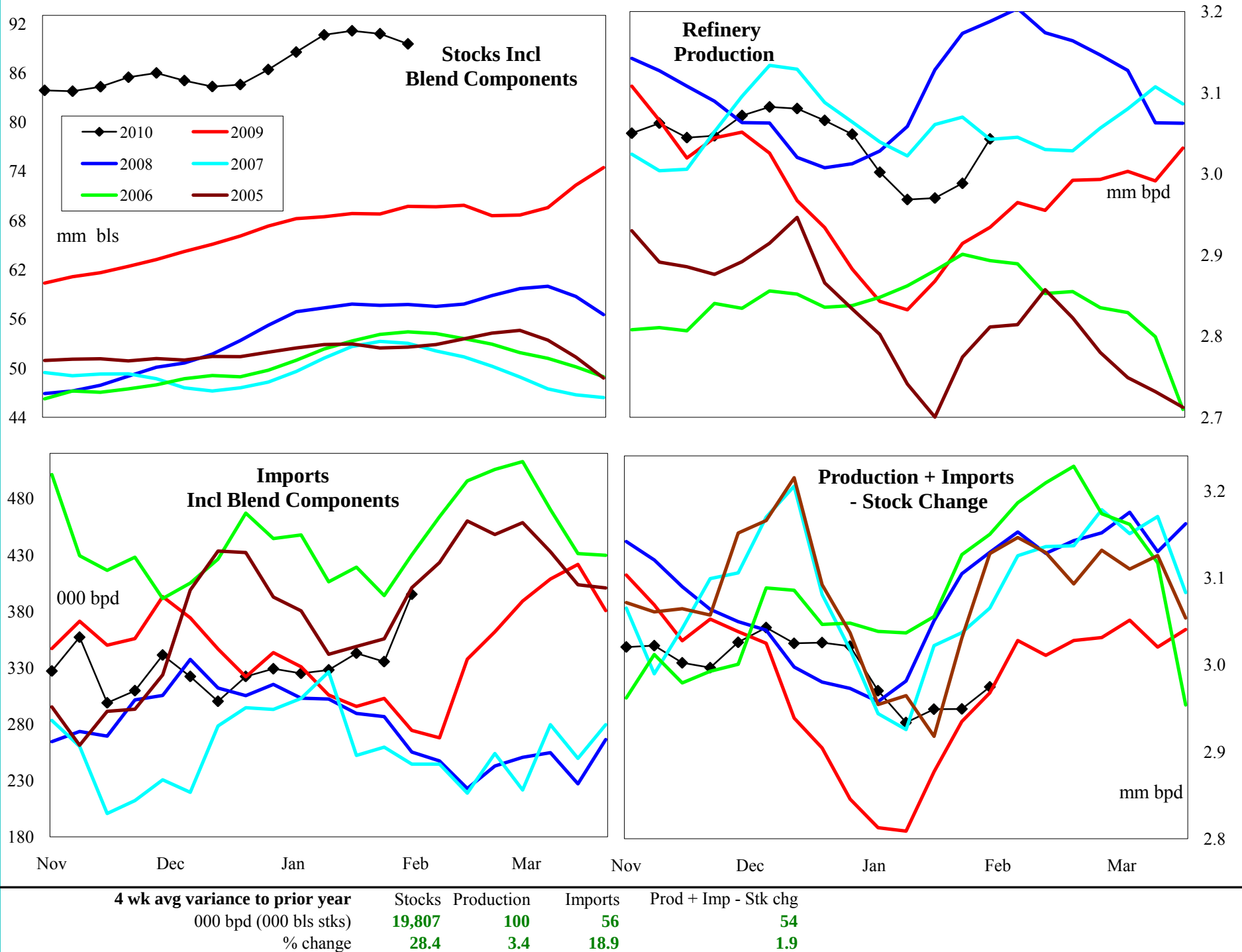
Imports
-1,522
-15.5

U.S. Production
261
5.1

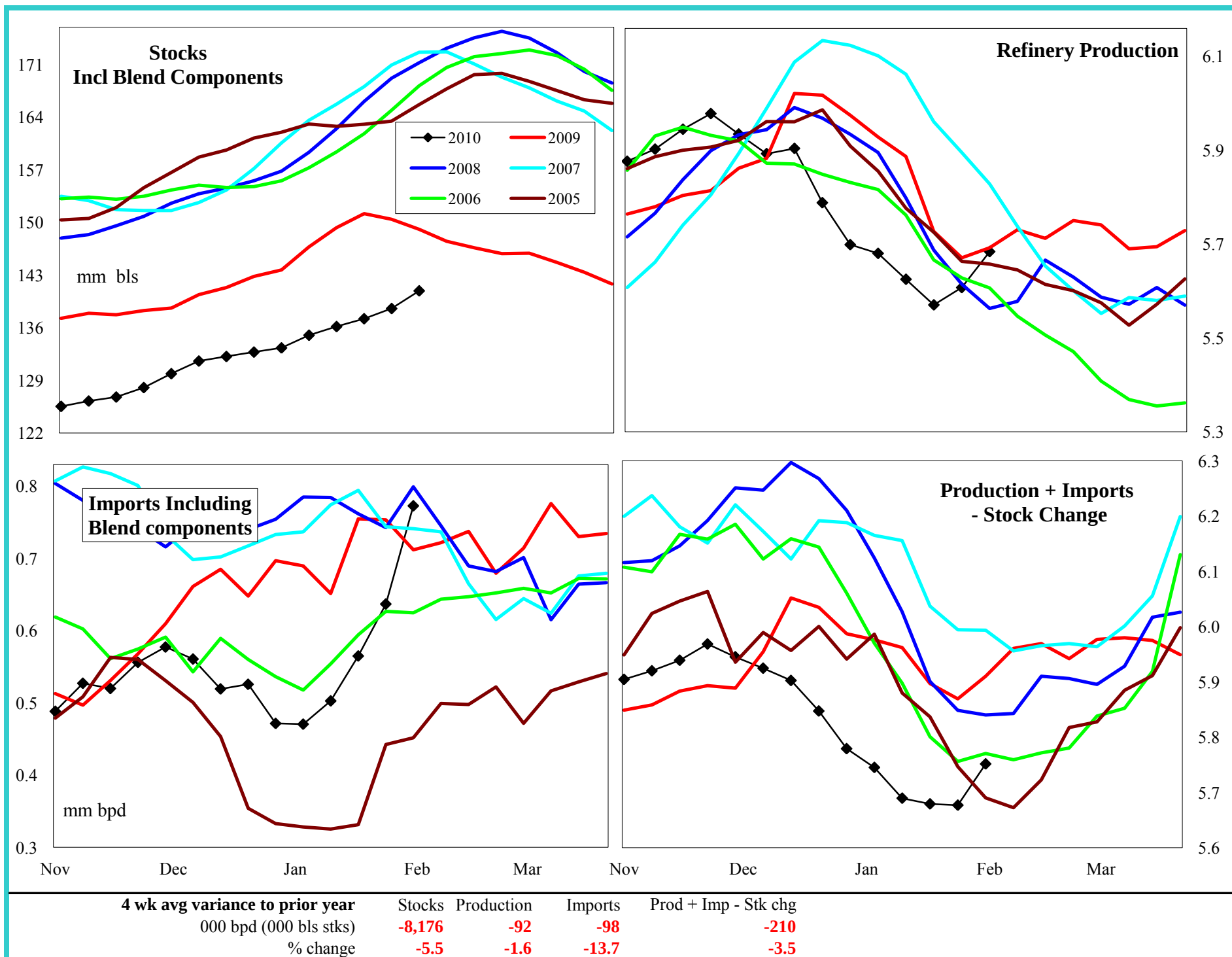
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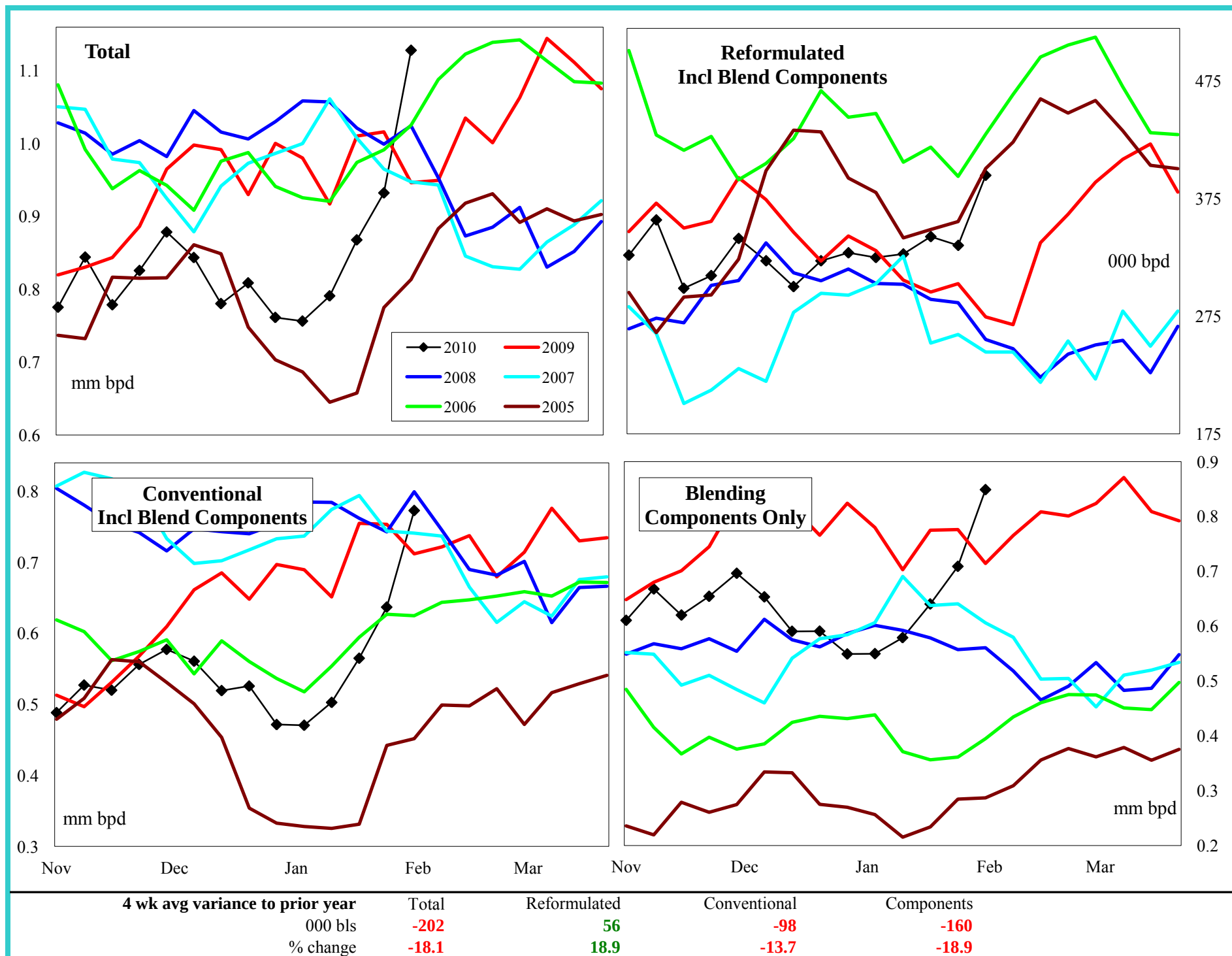
United States Reformulated Gasoline Supply



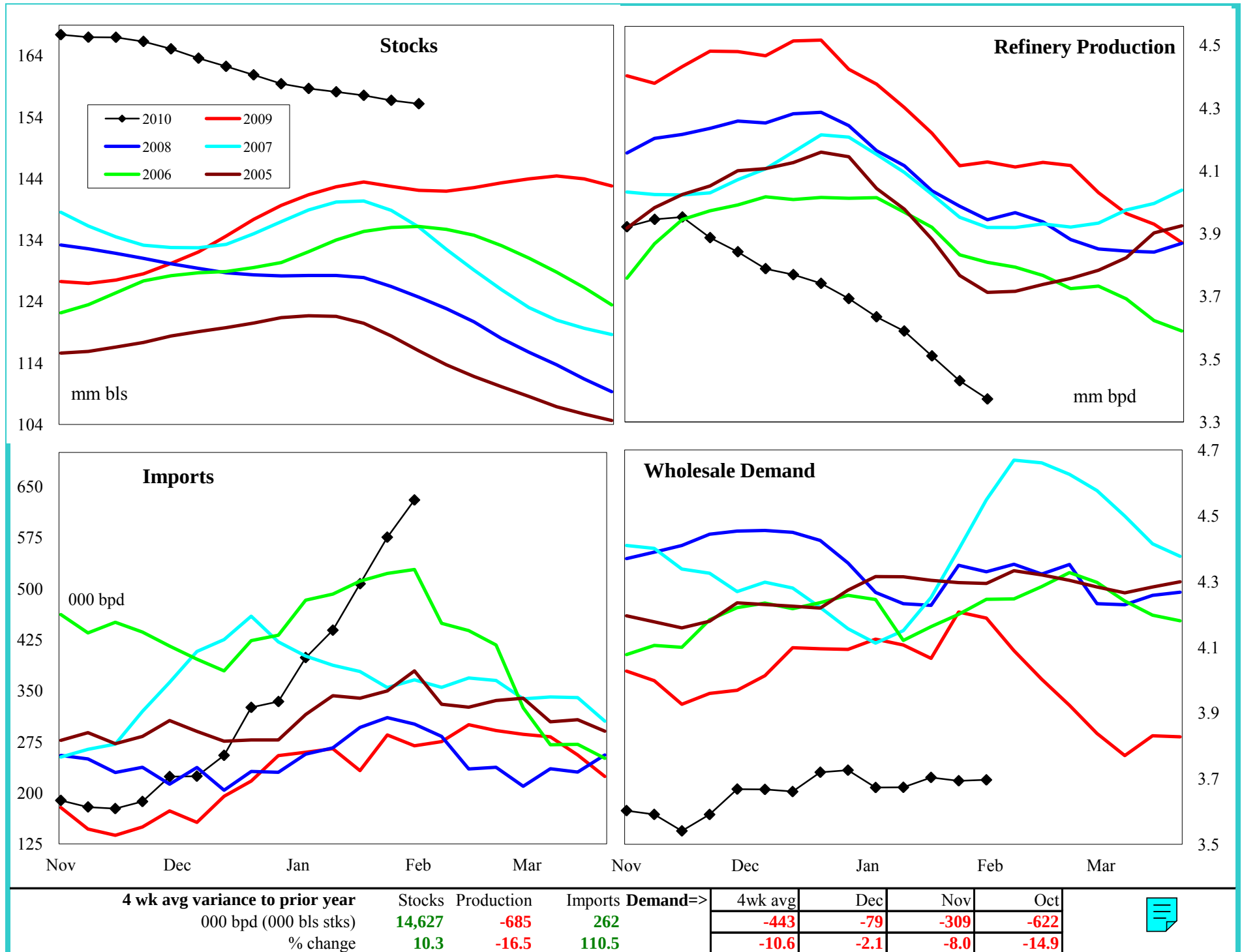
United States Conventional Gasoline Supply



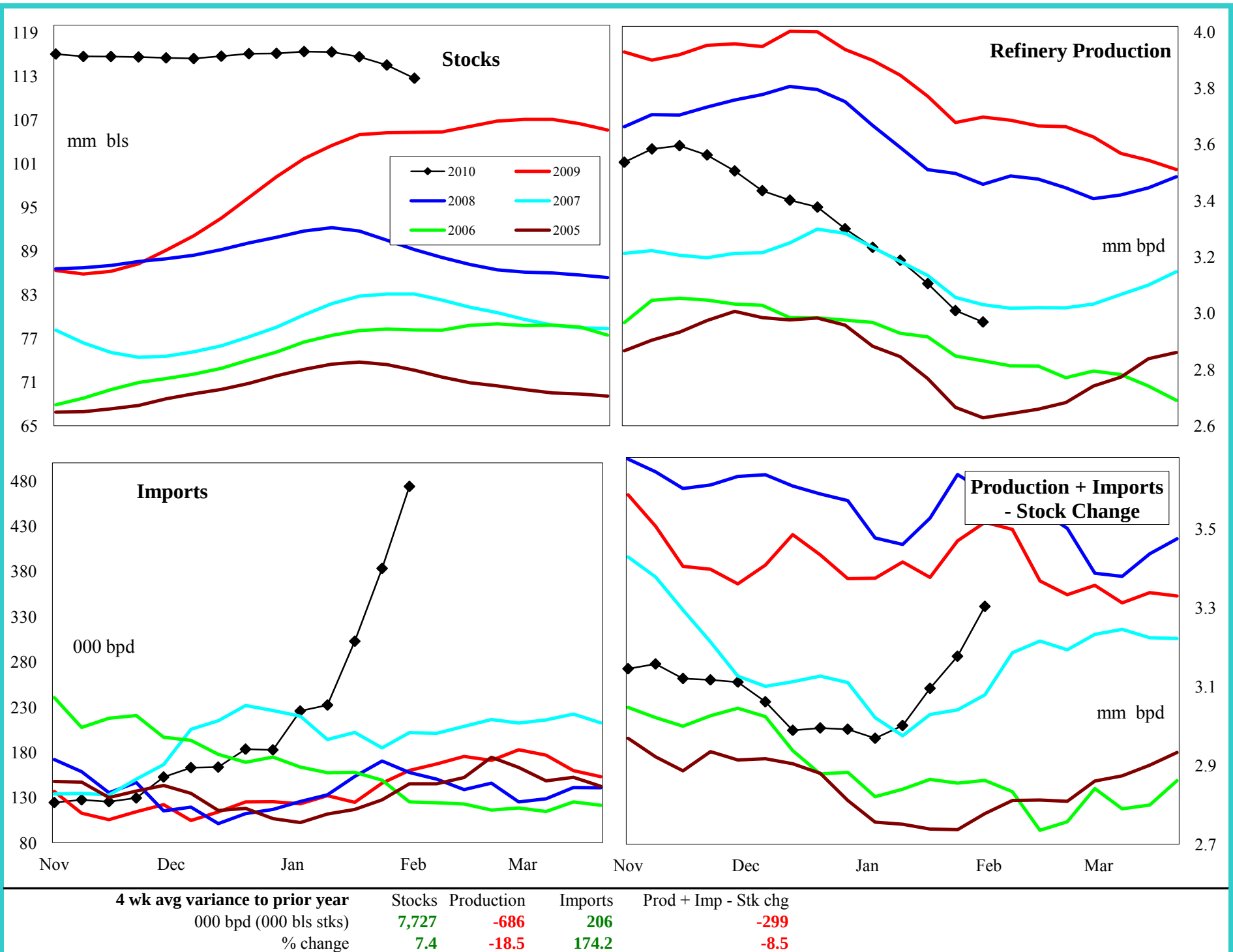
United States Gasoline Imports by Type



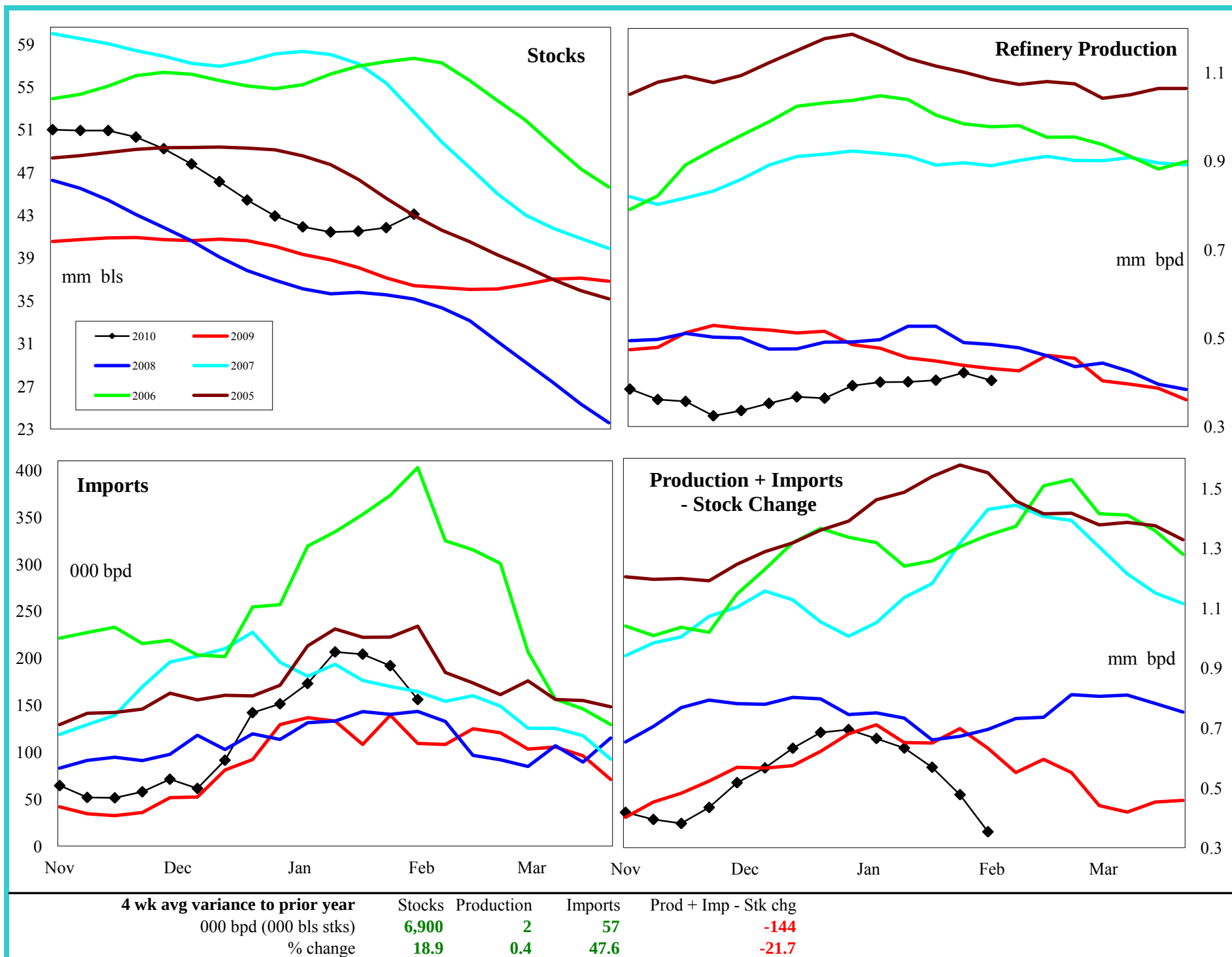
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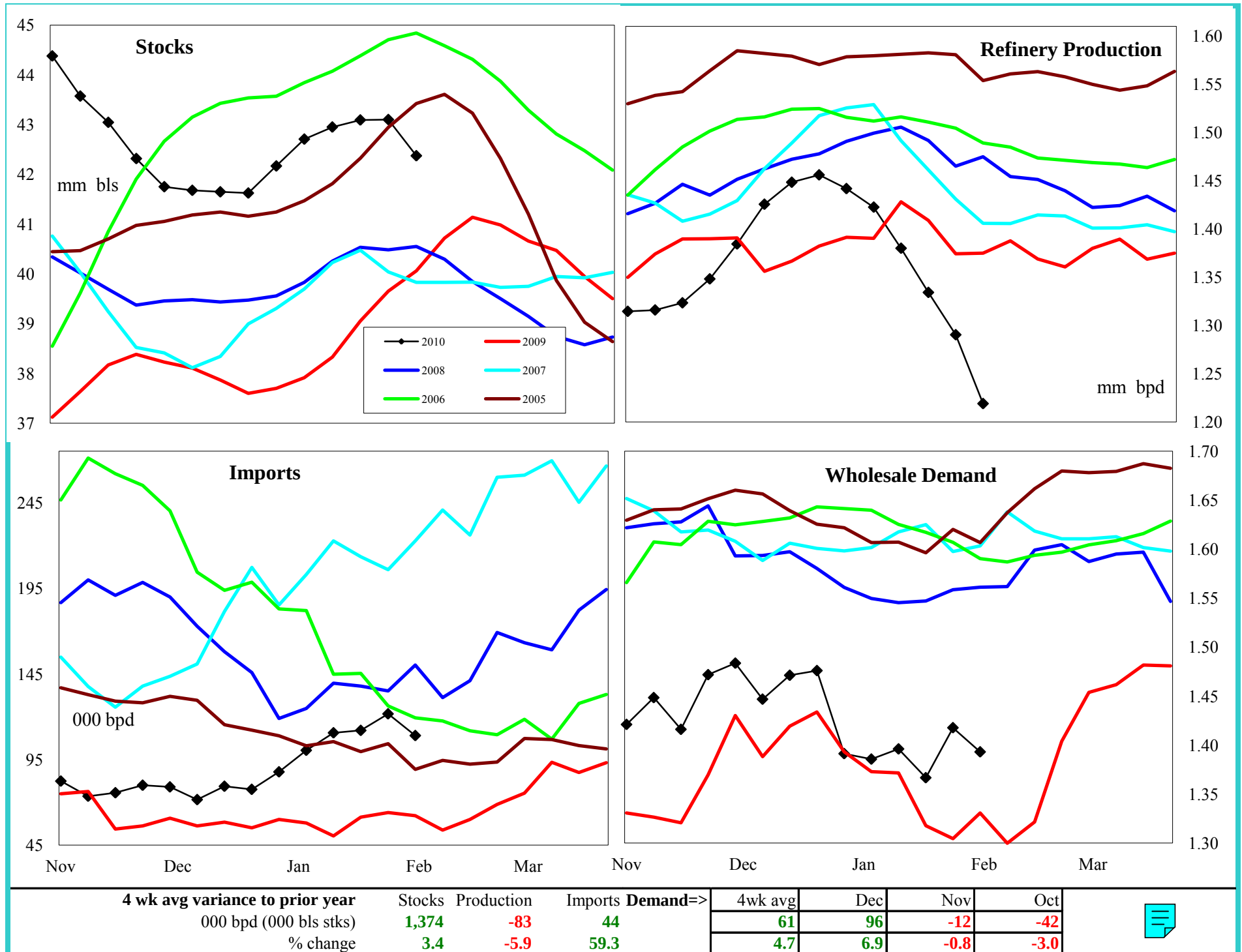
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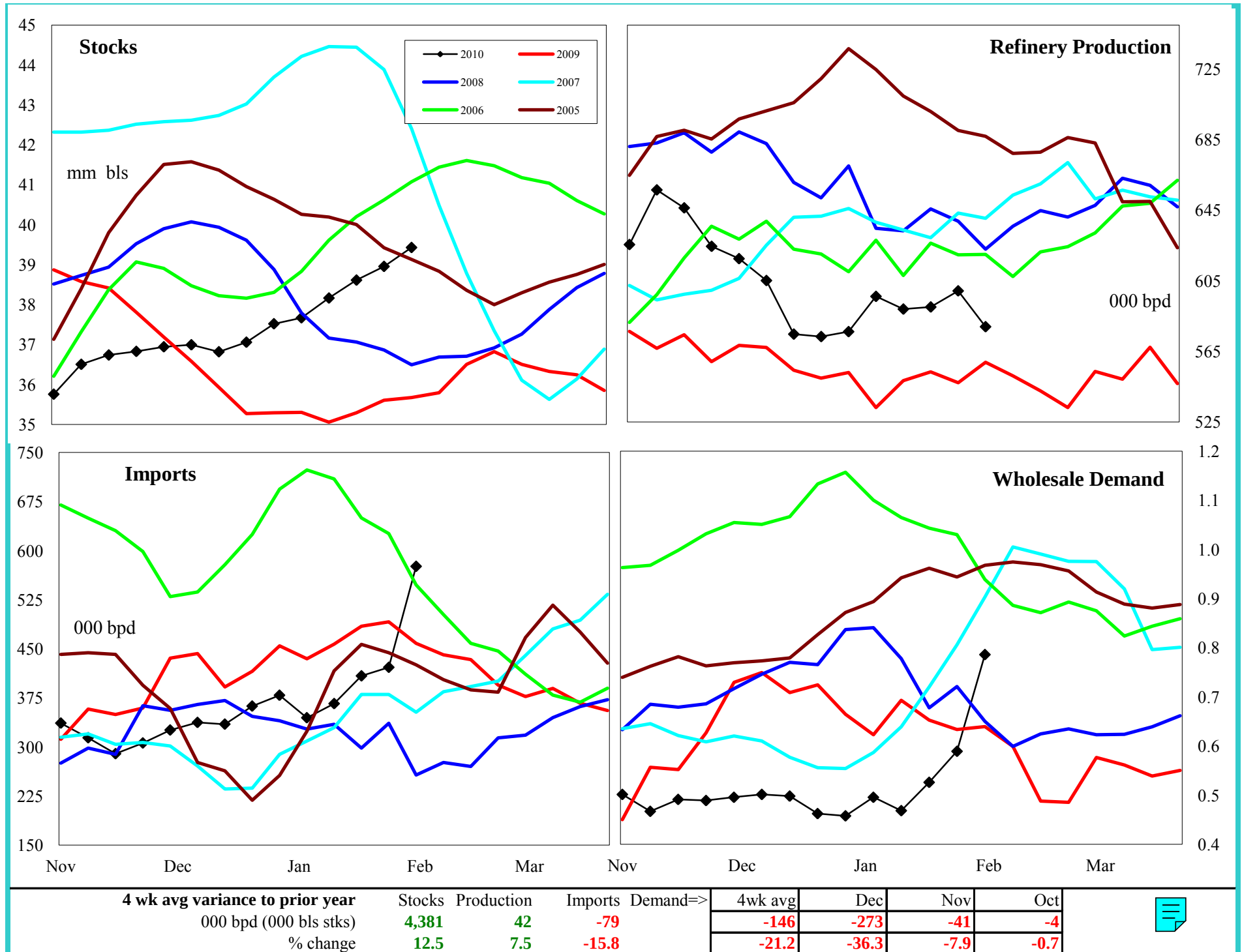
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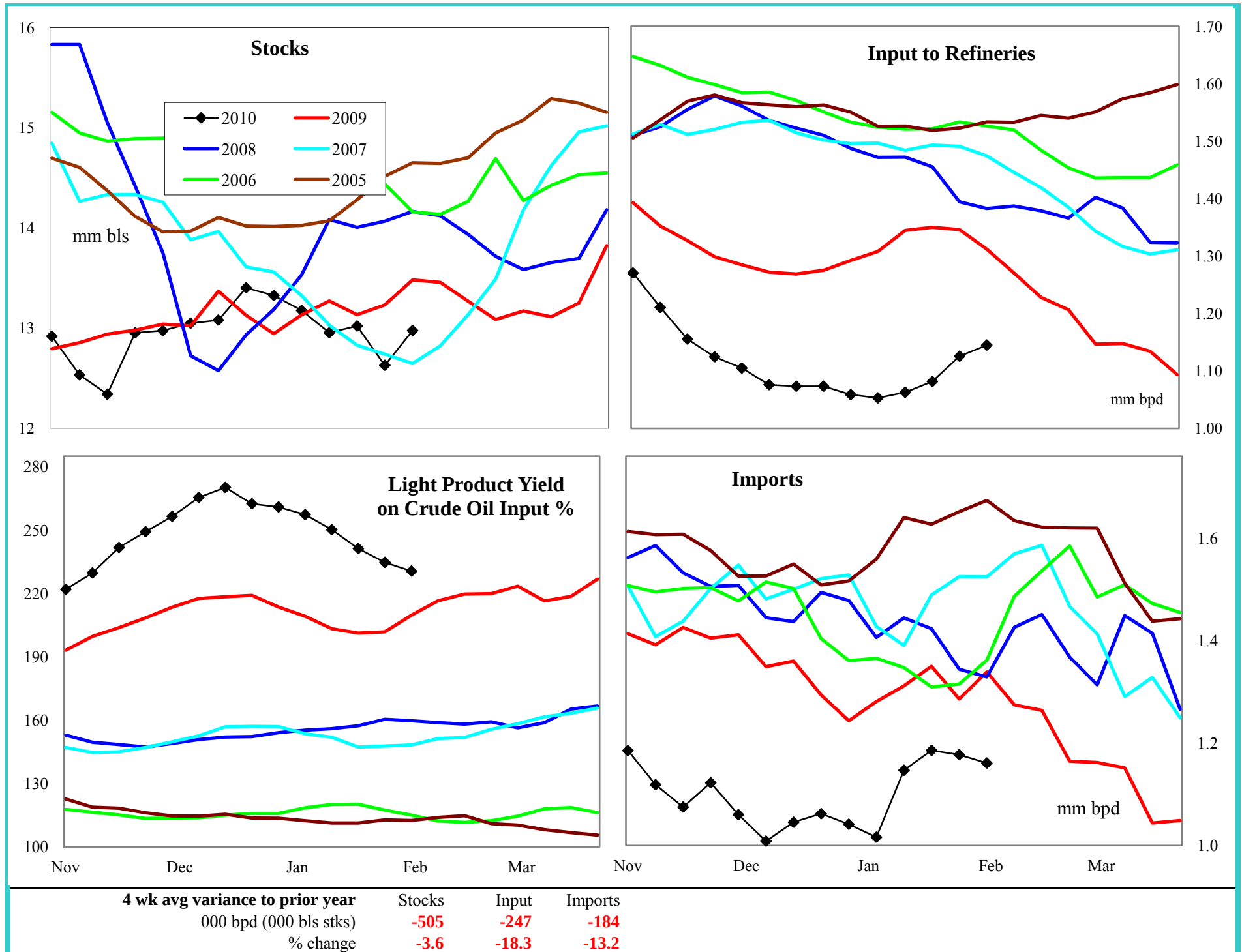
United States Jet Fuel Supply and Demand Balance



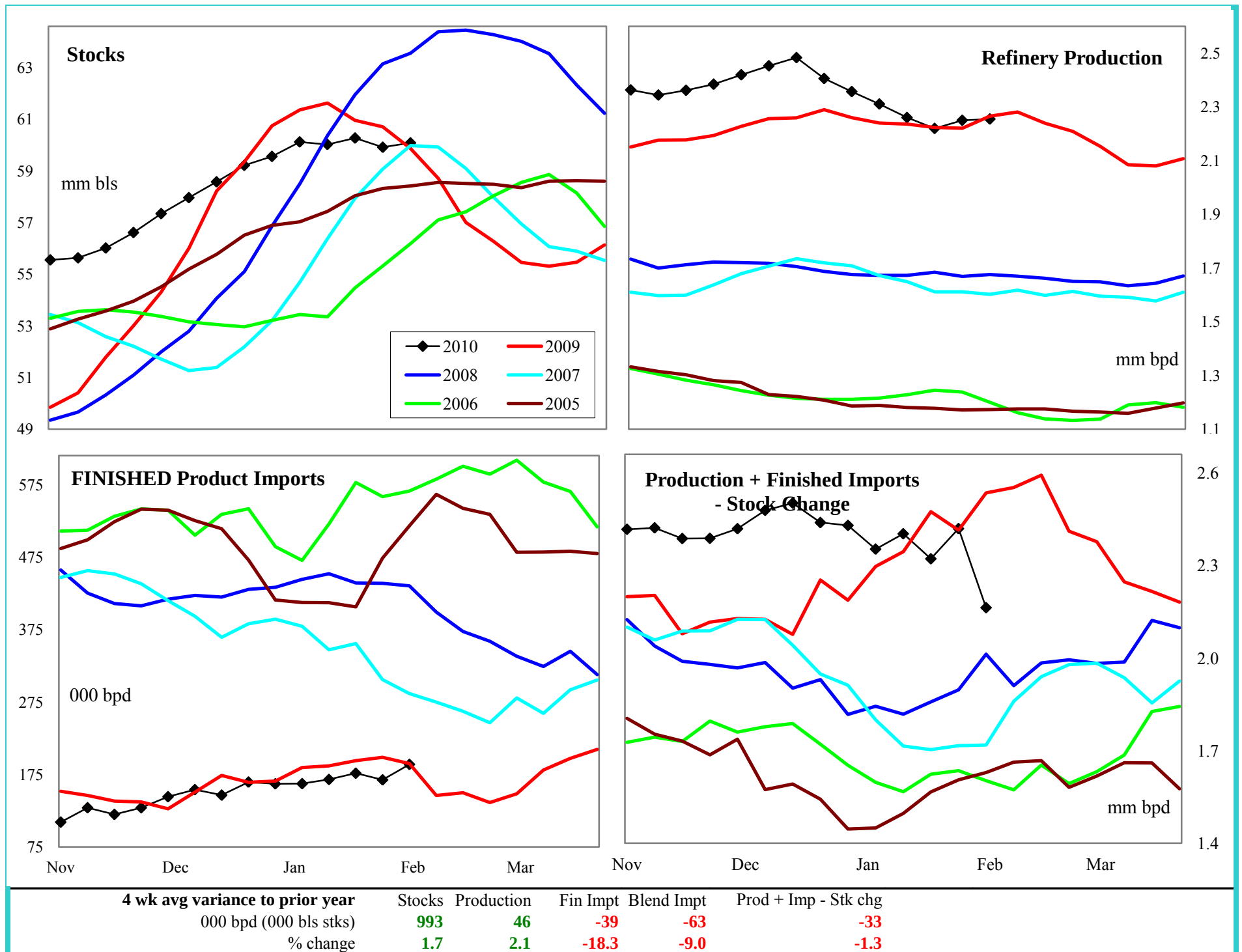
United States Residual Fuel Oil Supply and Demand Balance



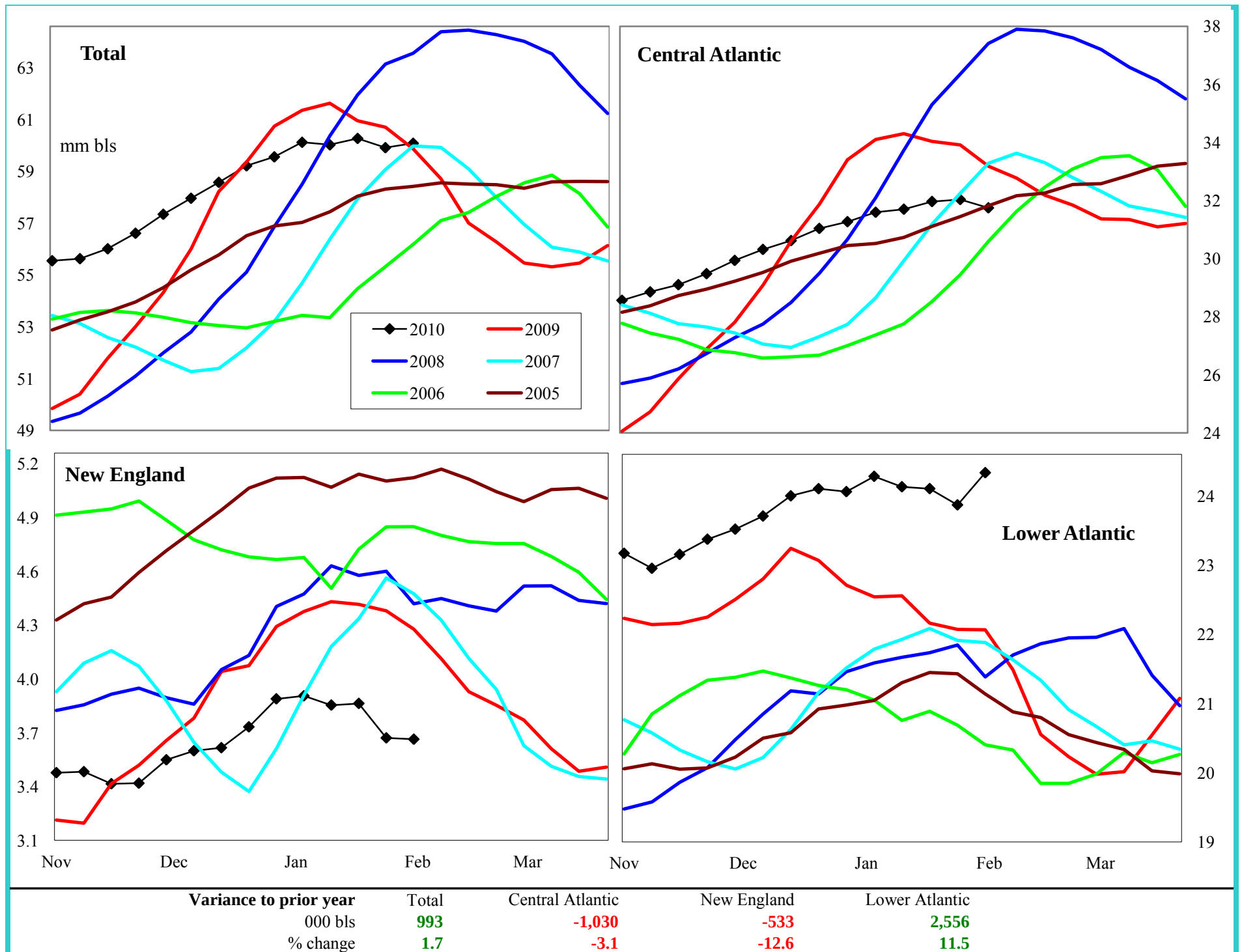
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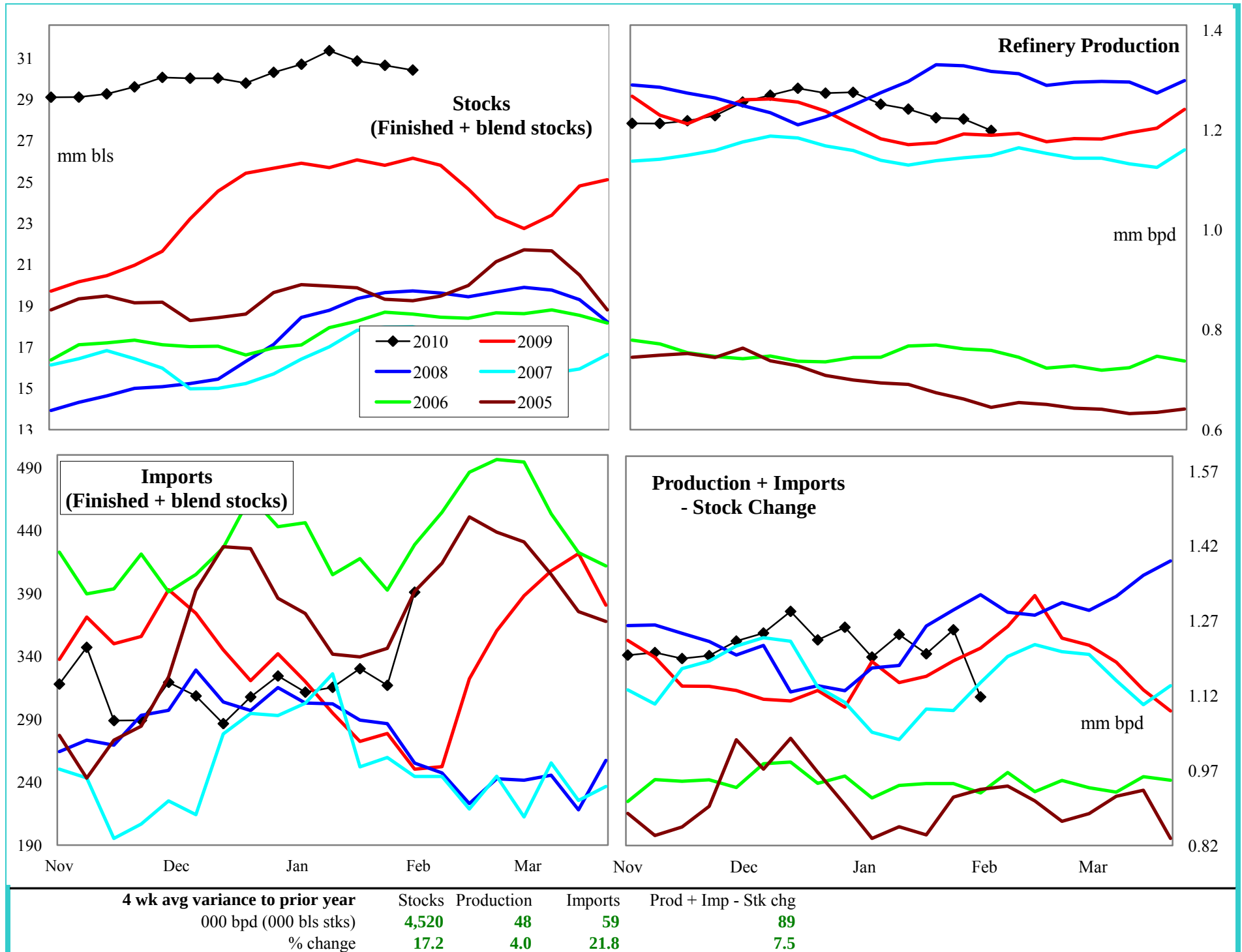
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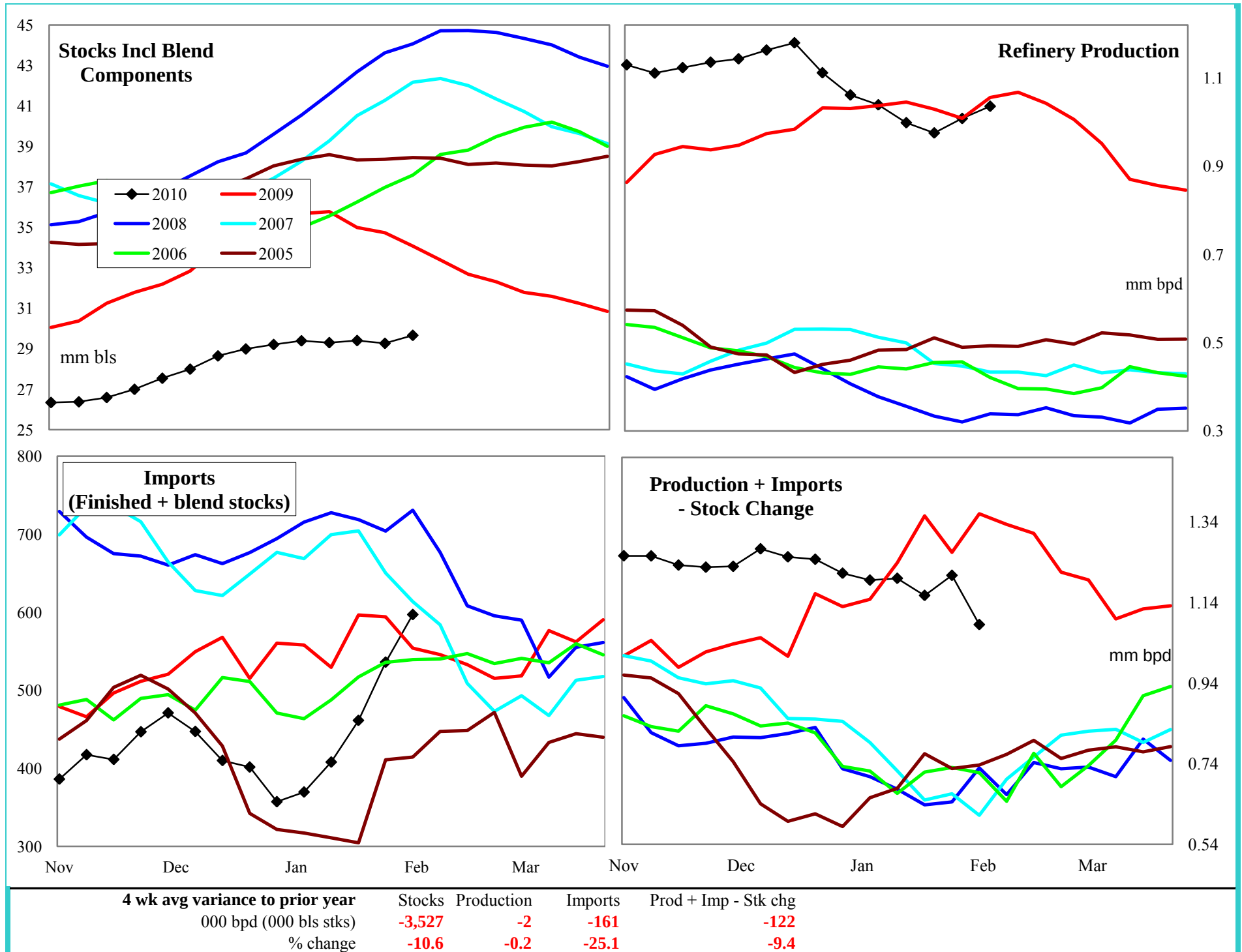
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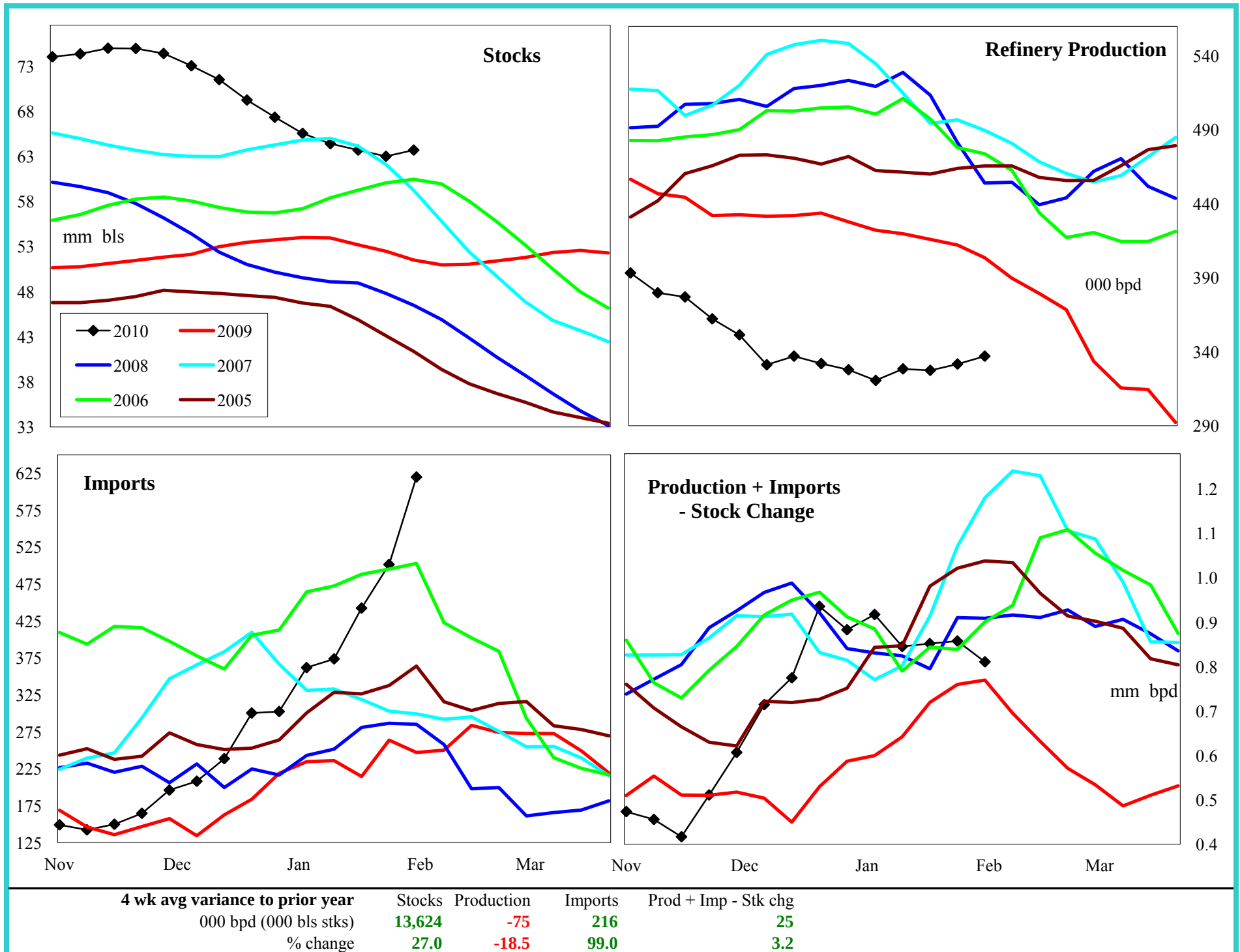
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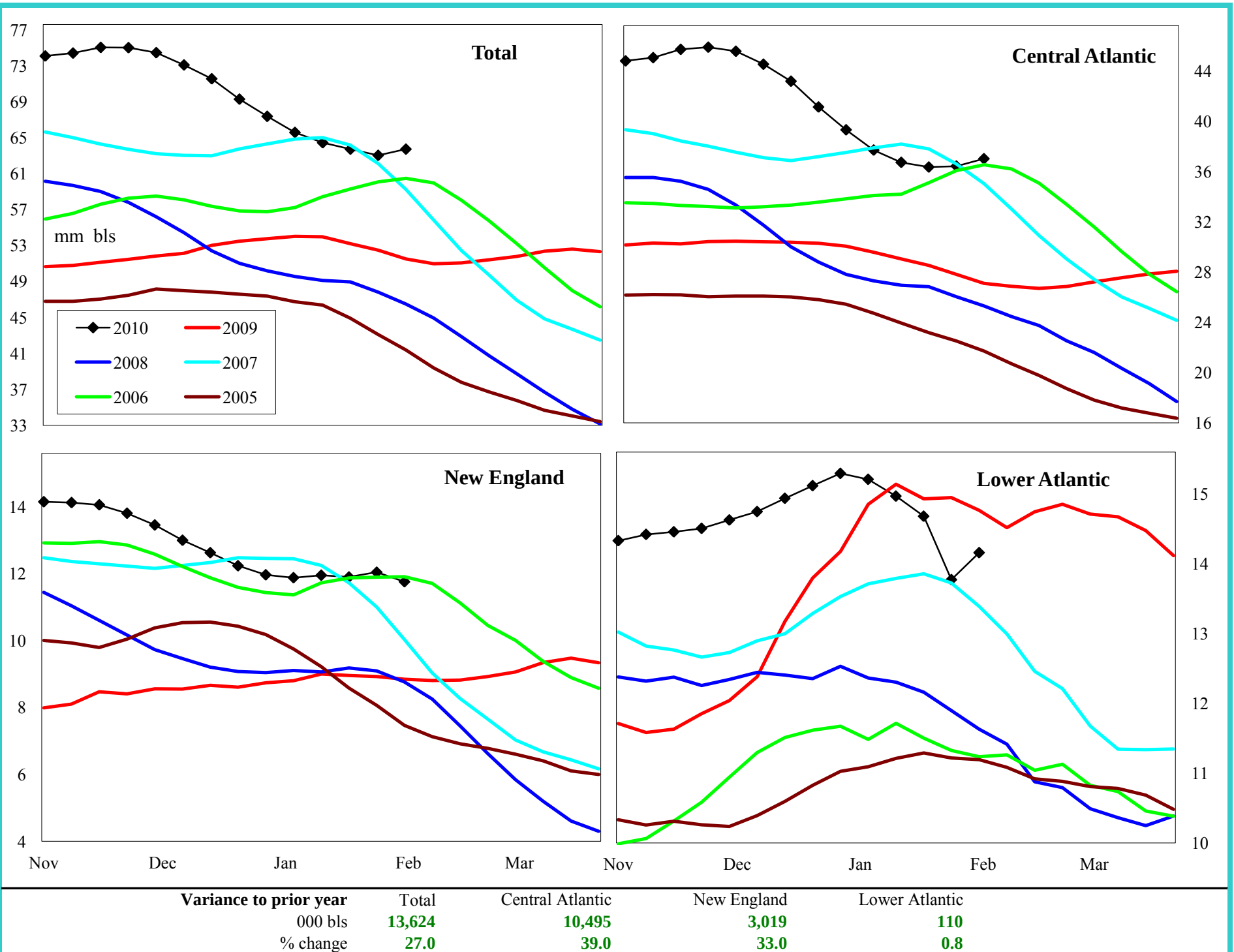
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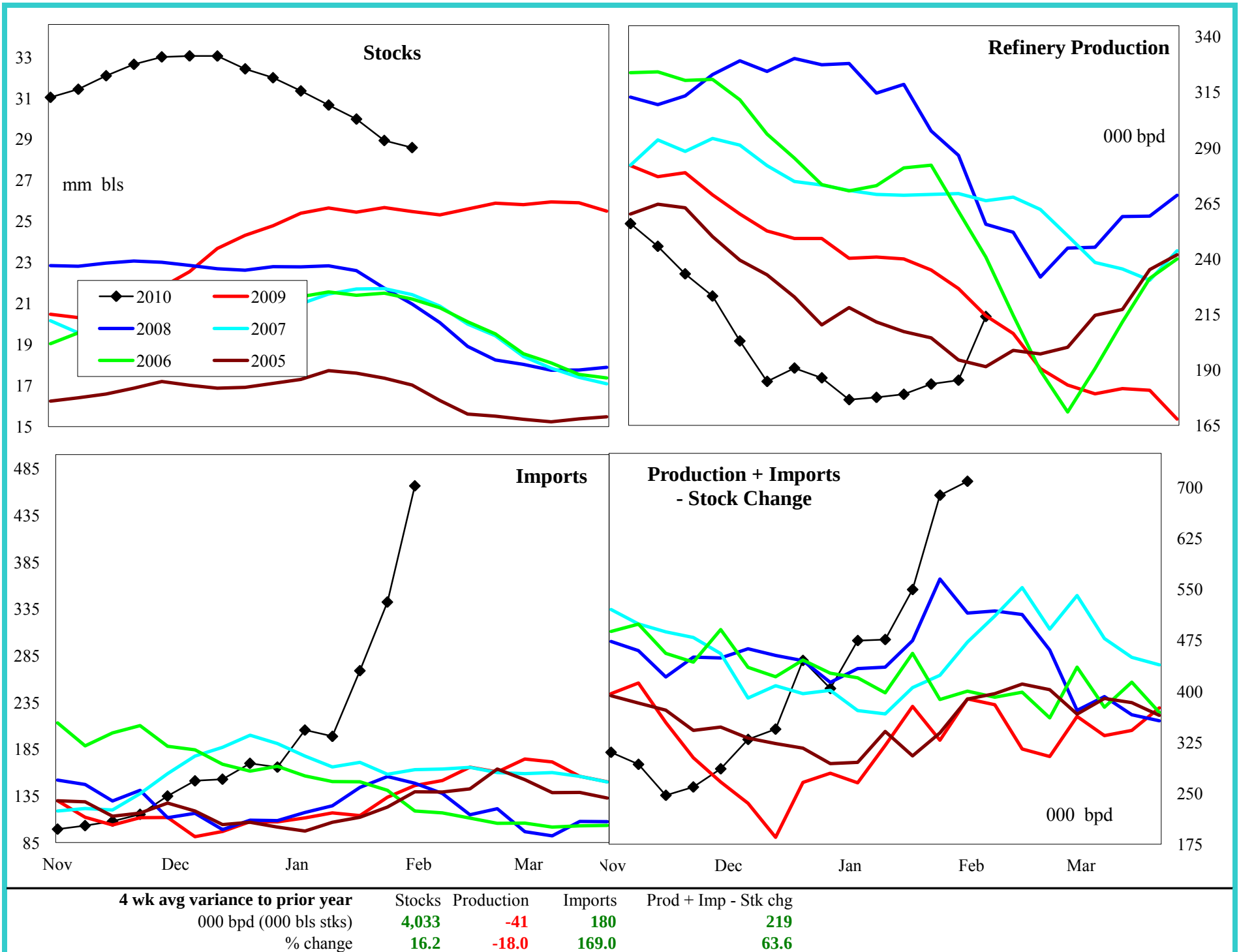
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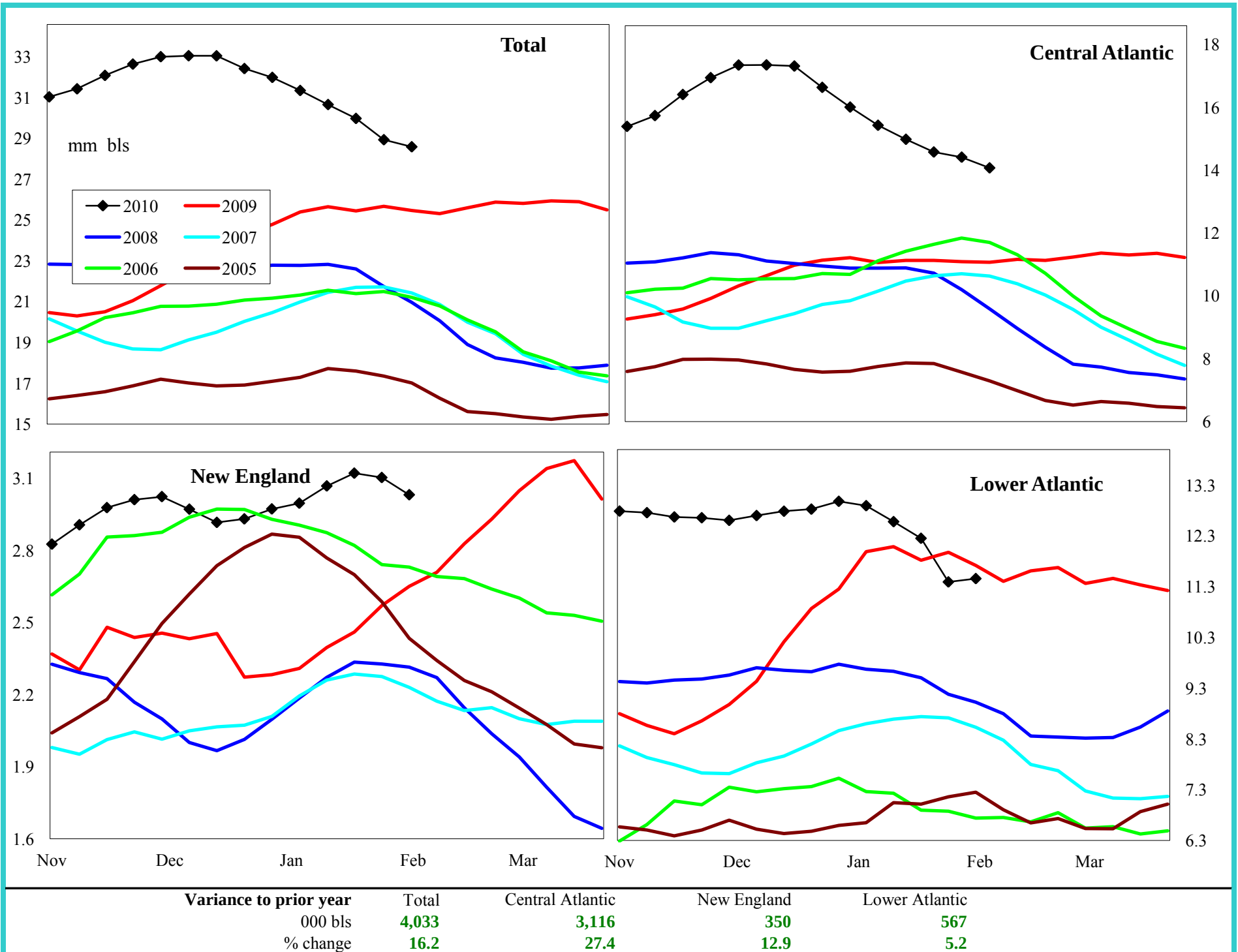
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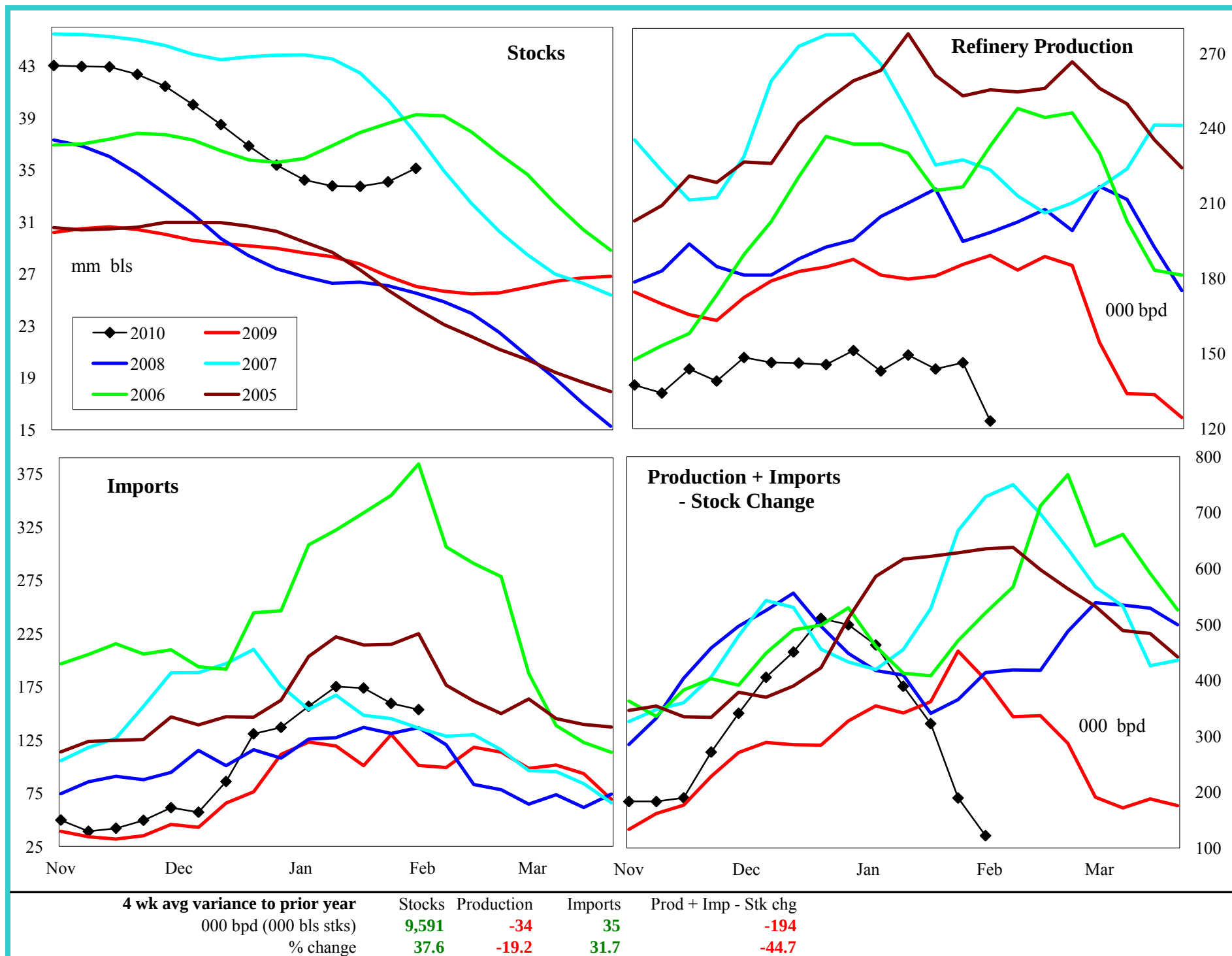
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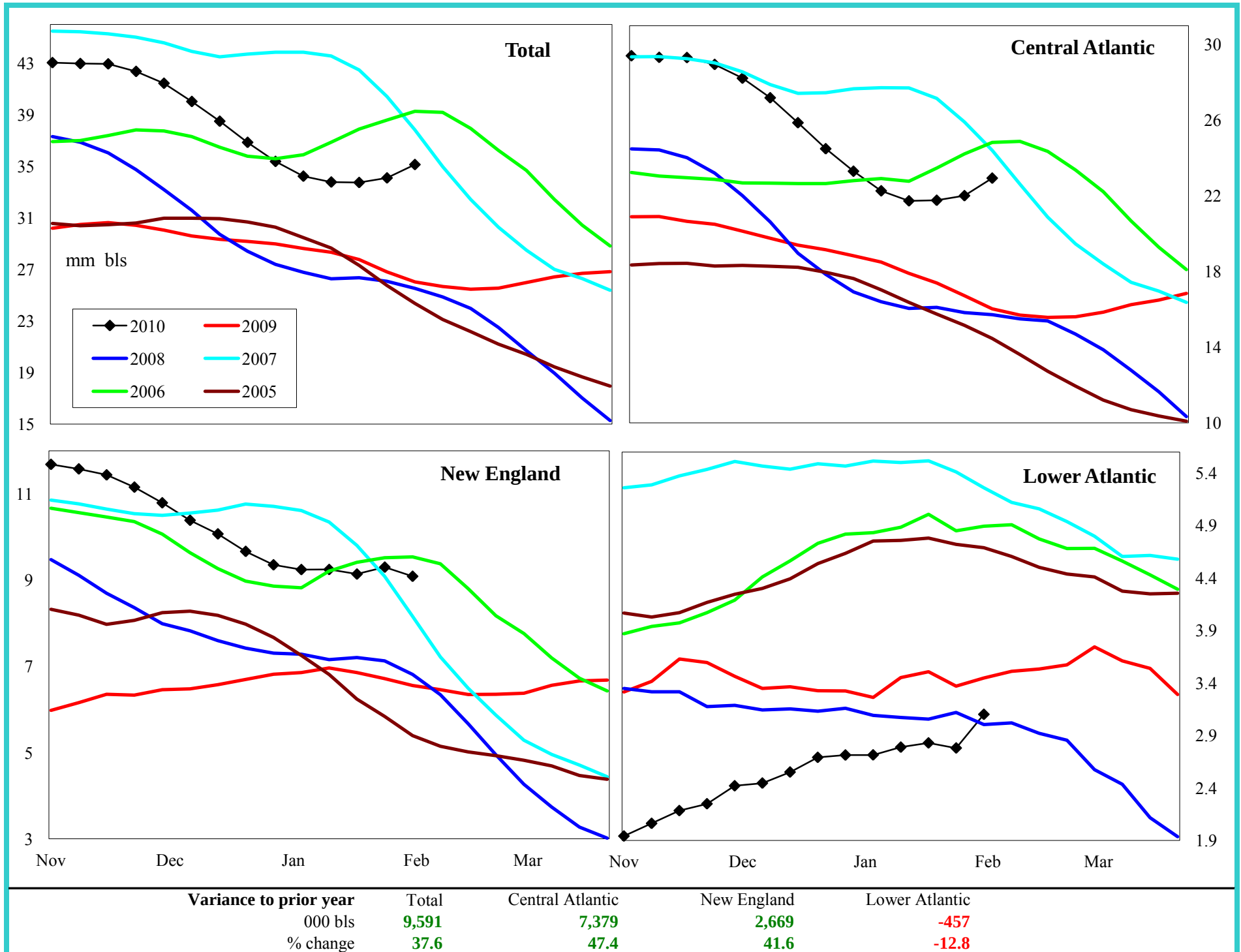
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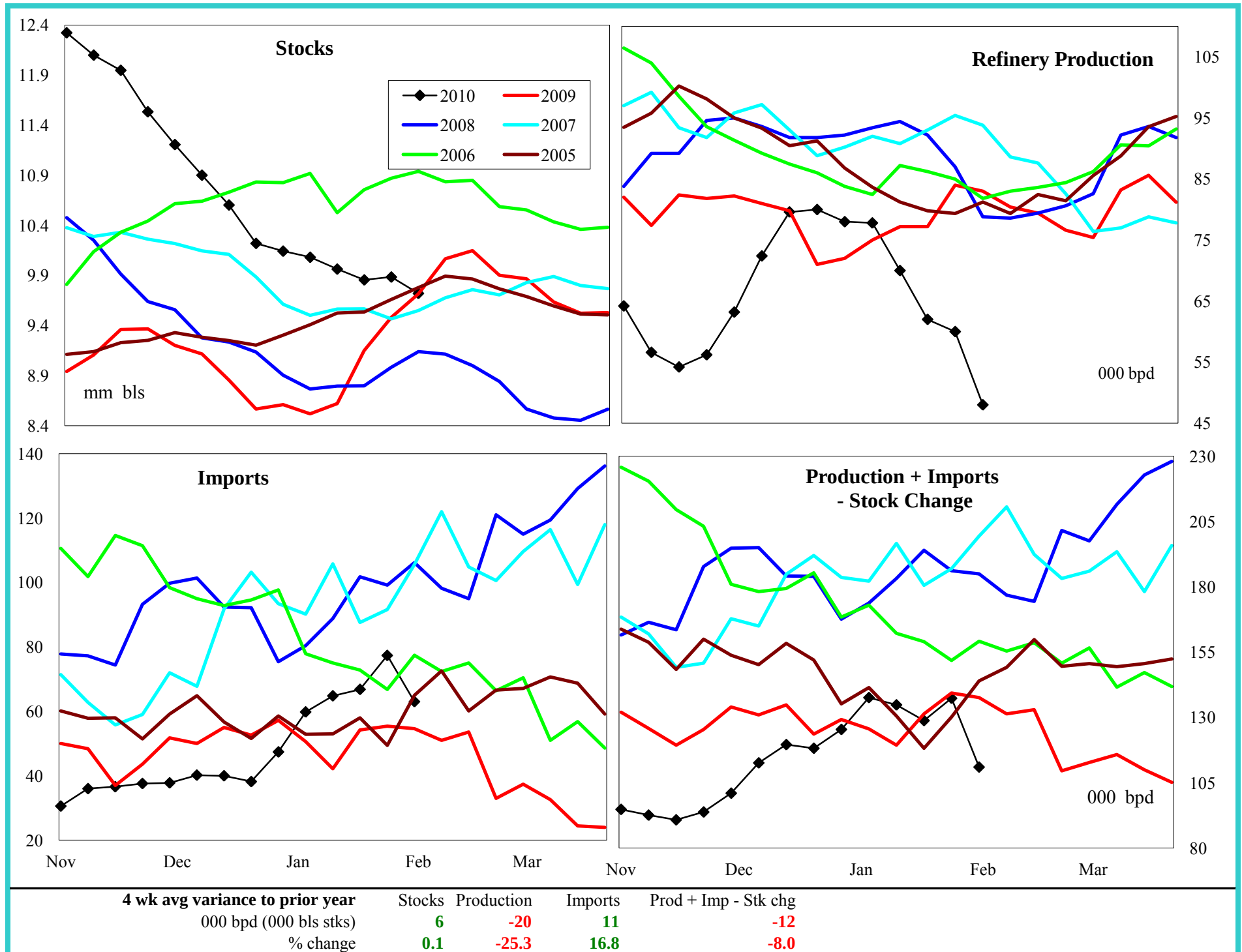
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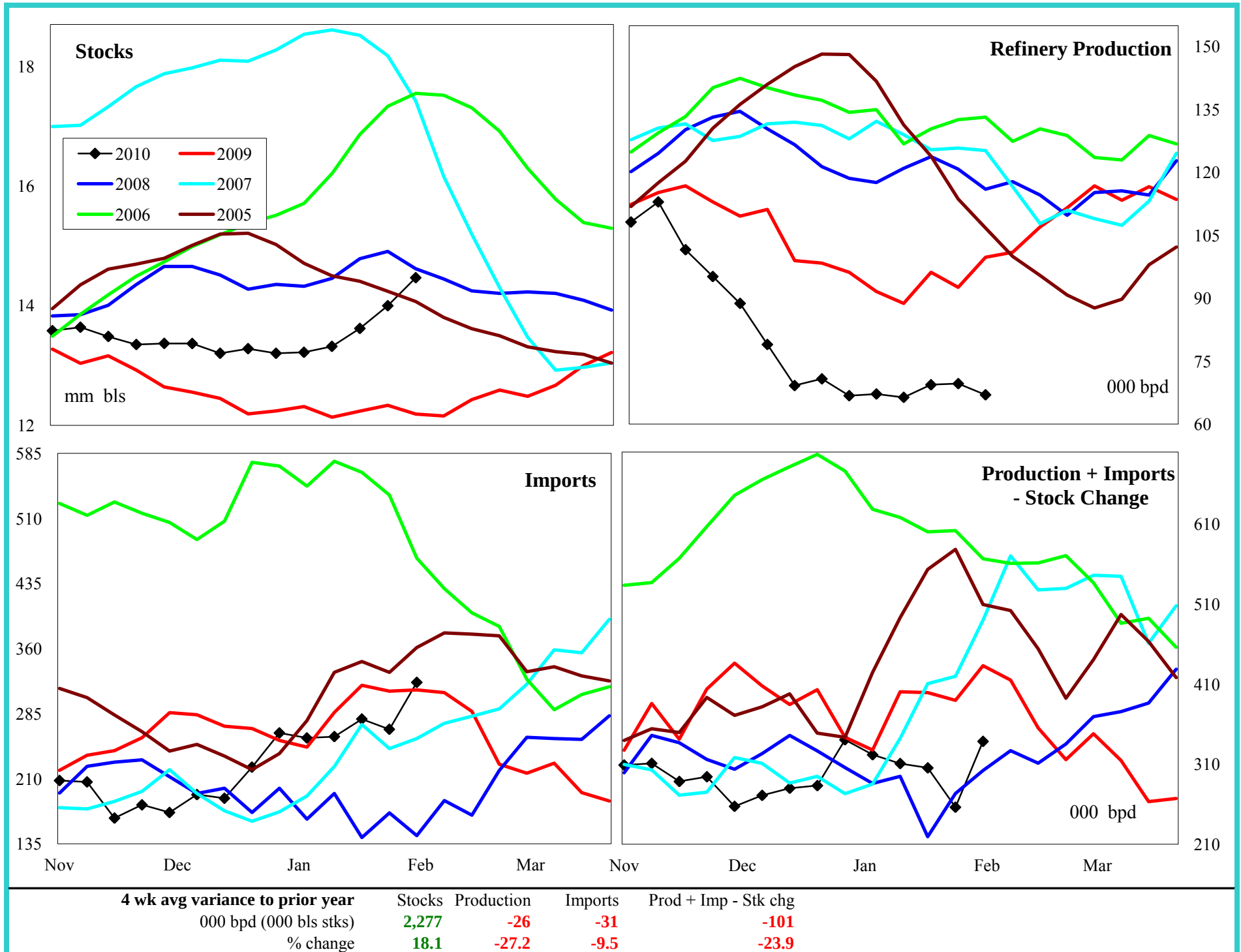
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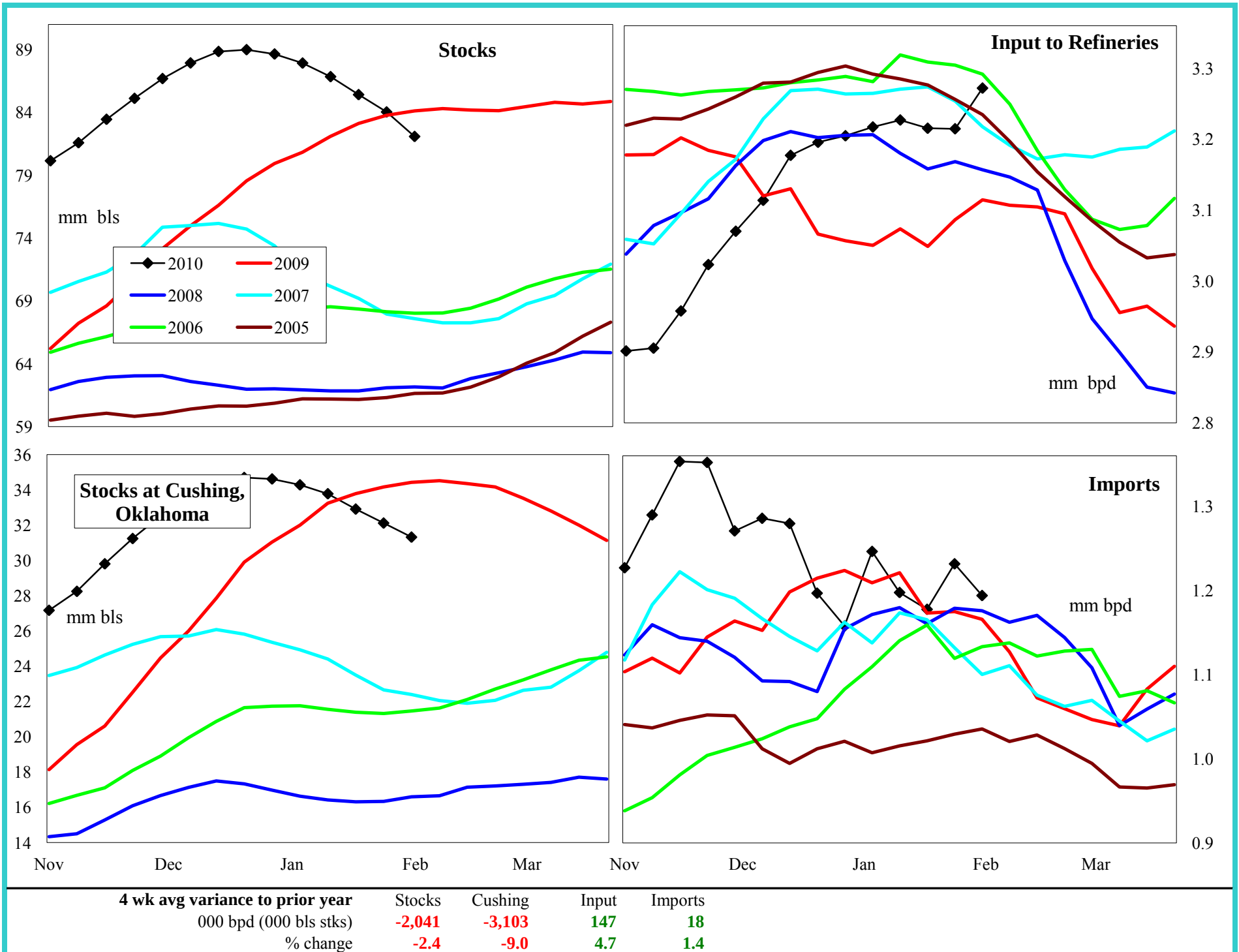
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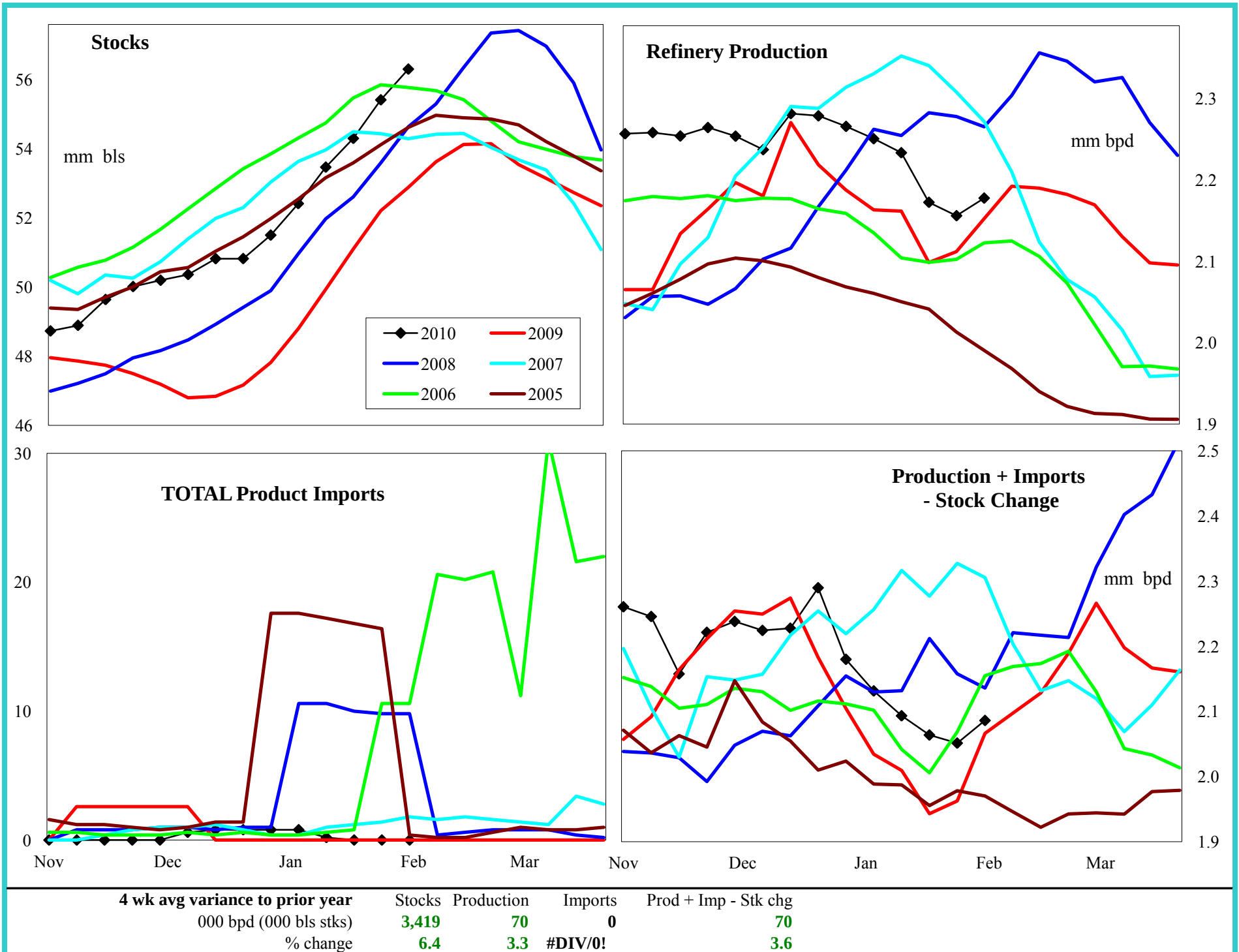
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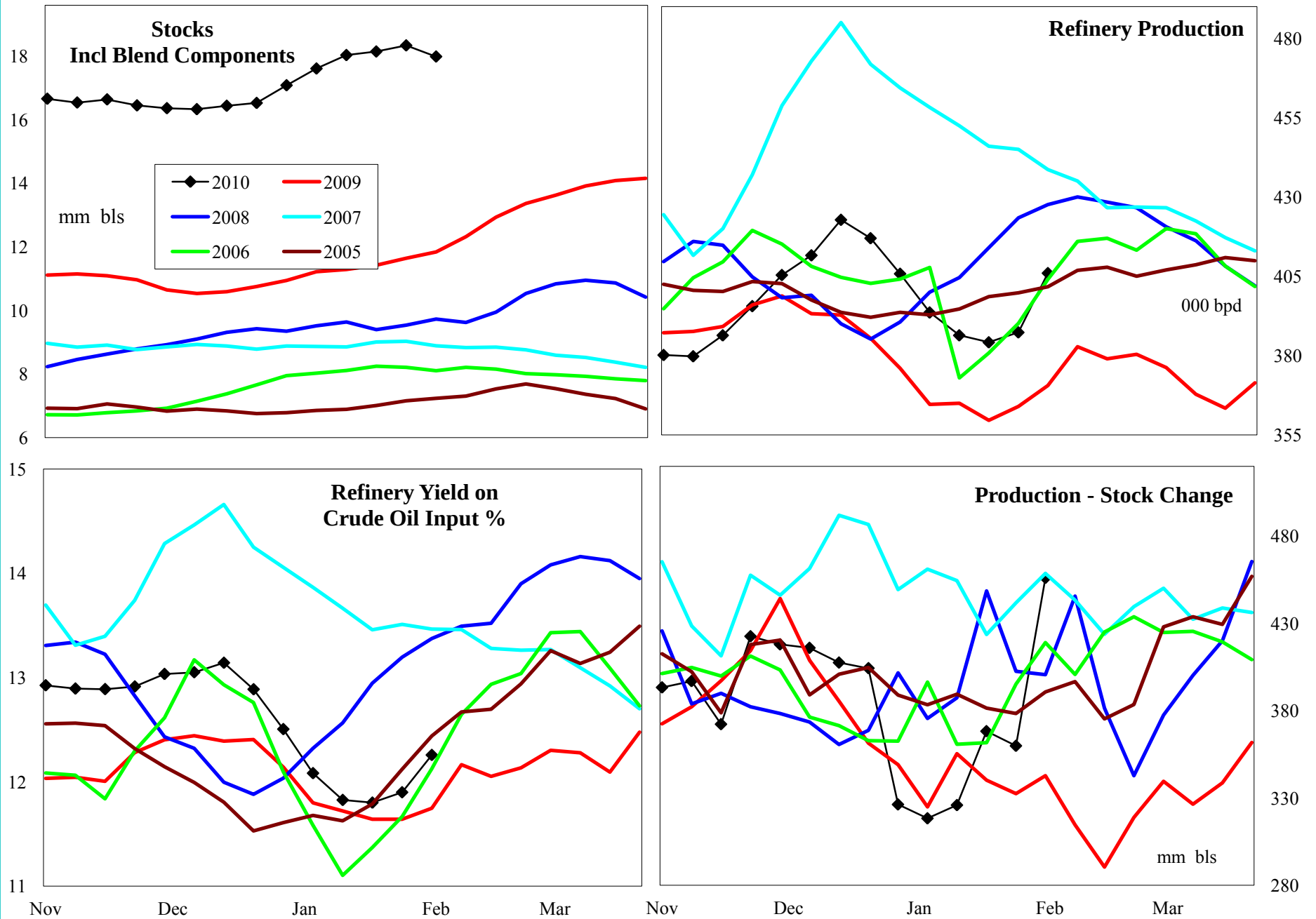
PADD 2 Crude Oil Supply and Refining



PADD 2 Gasoline Supply



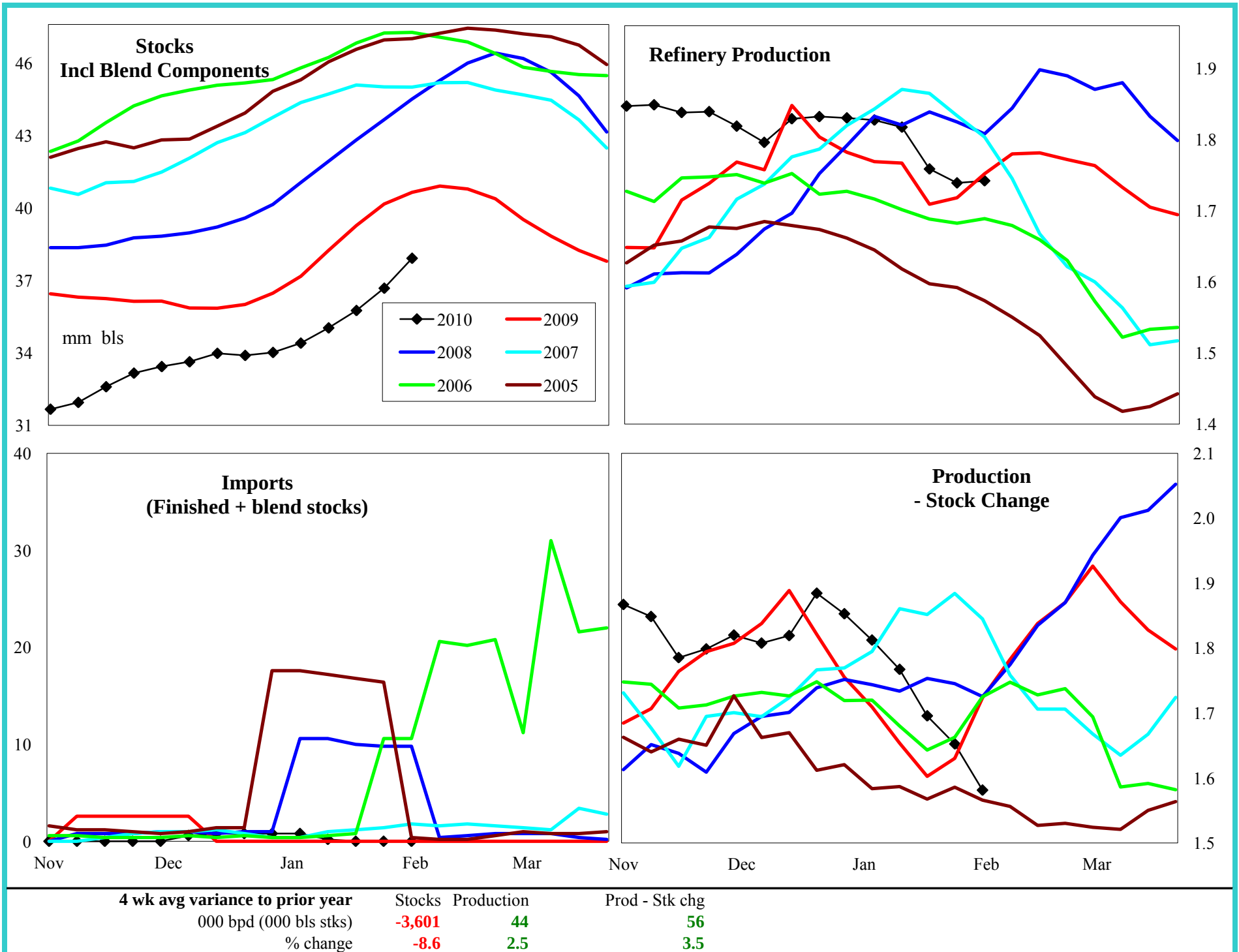
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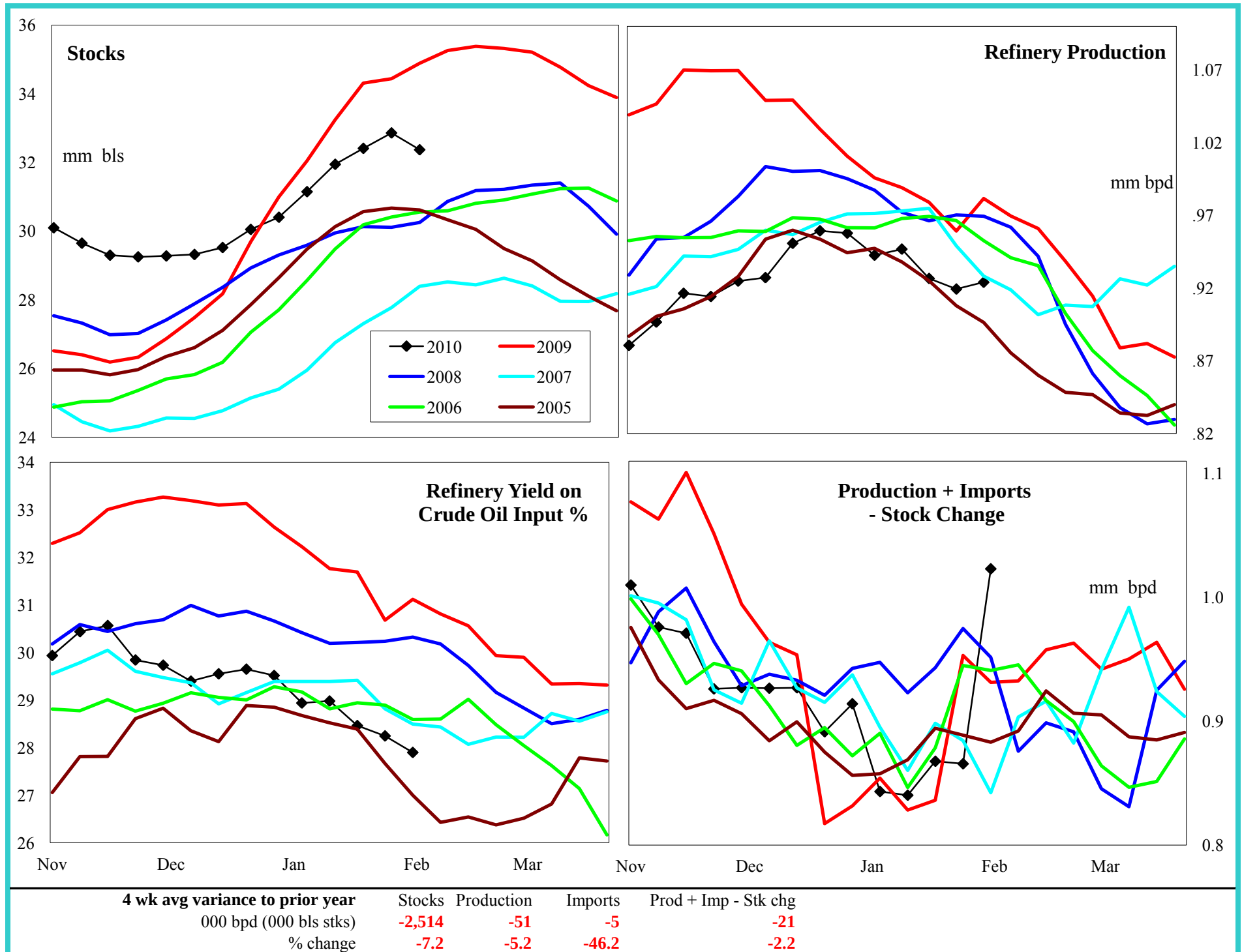
4 wk avg variance to prior year
 000 bpd (000 bls stks)
 % change

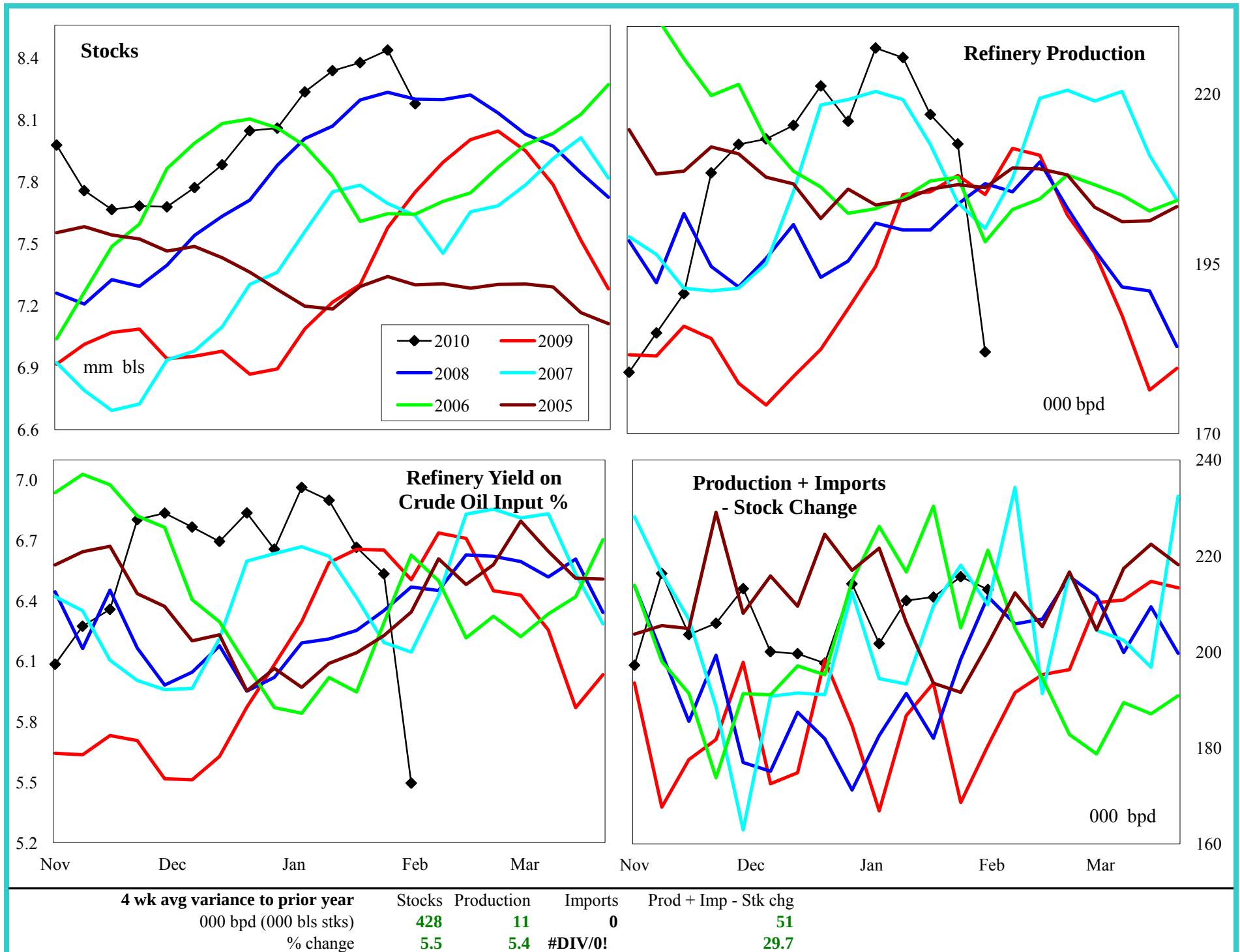
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% change	50.2	7.2	10.1

PADD 2 Conventional Gasoline Supply

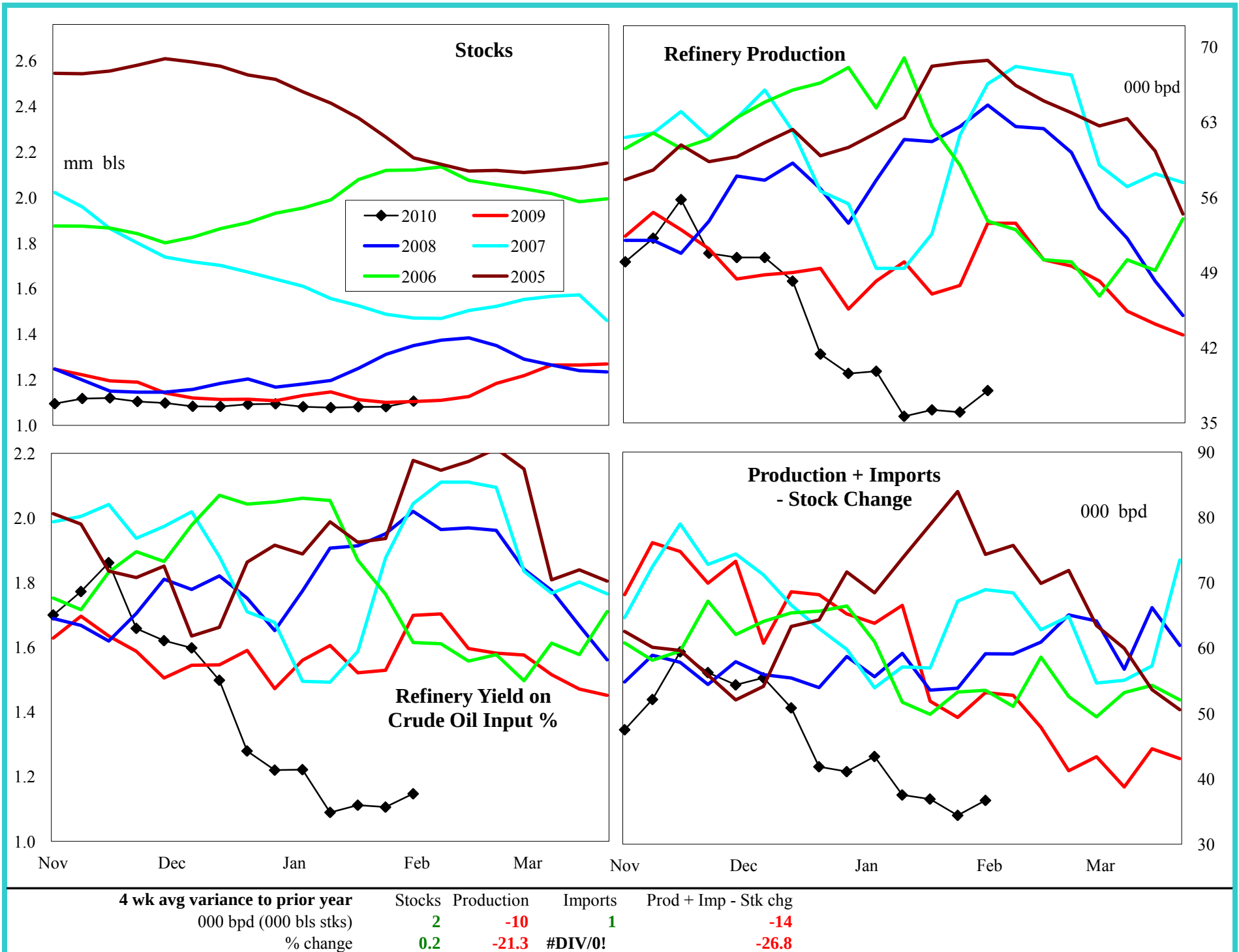


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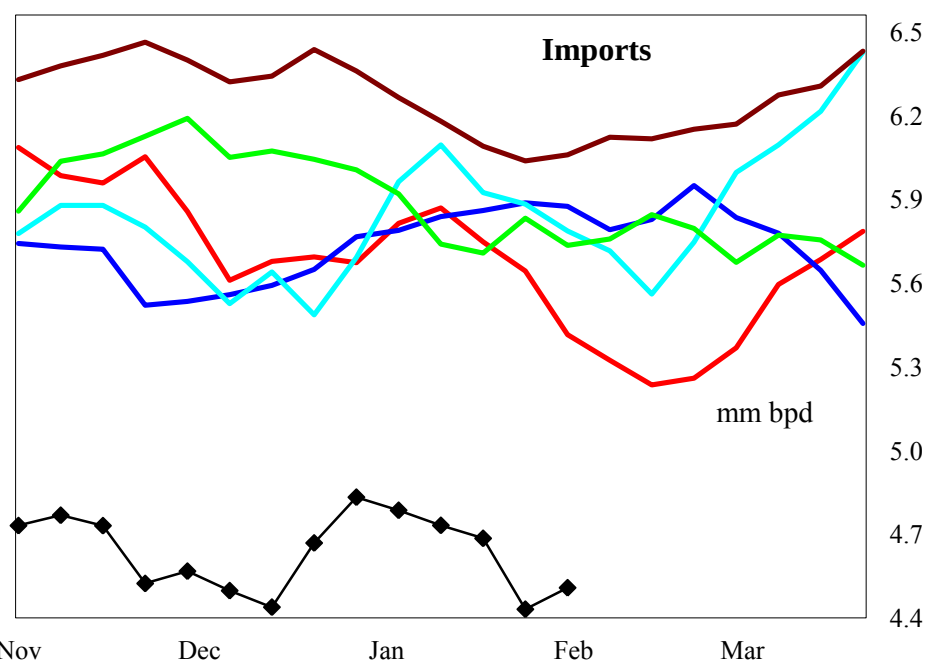
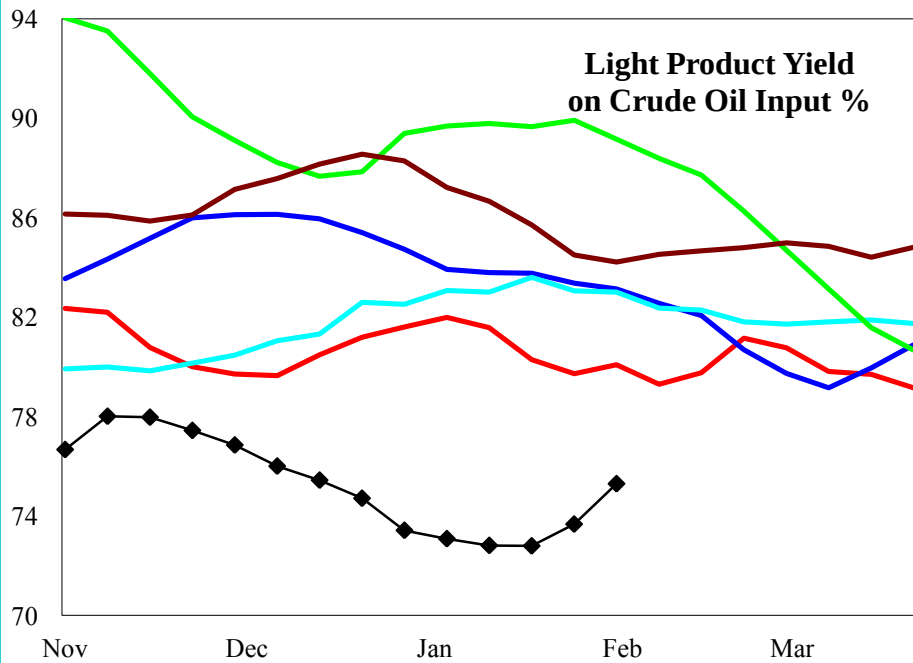
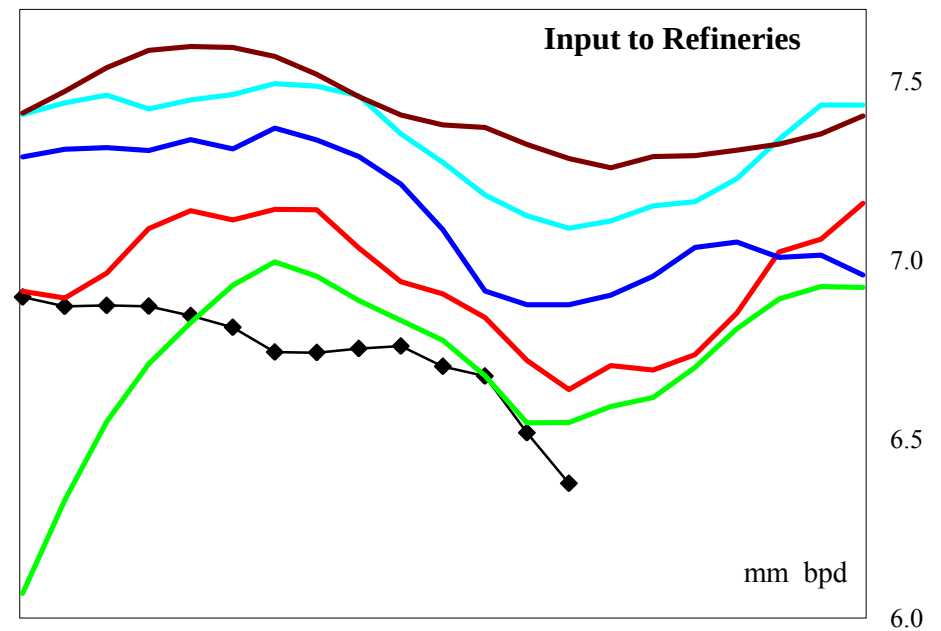
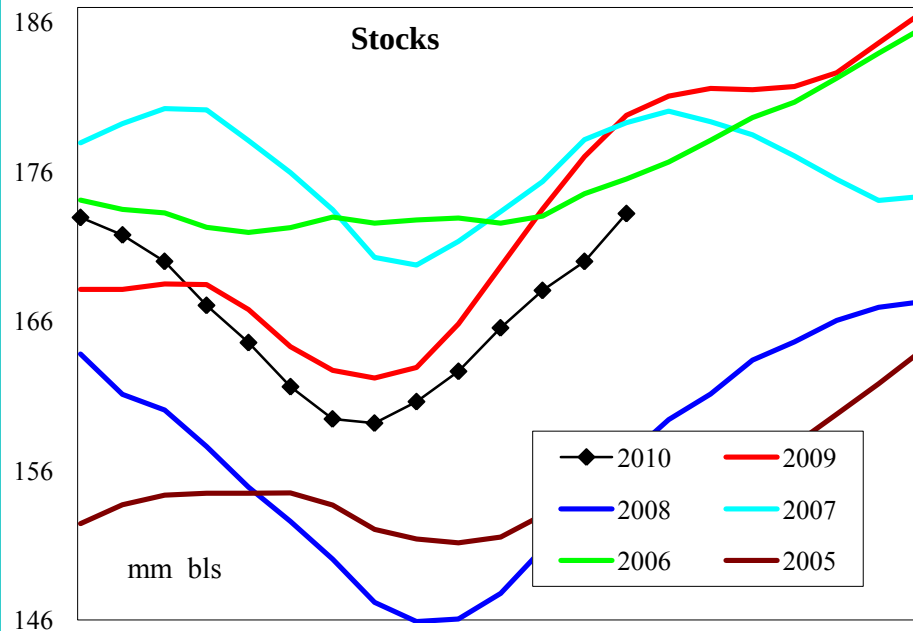




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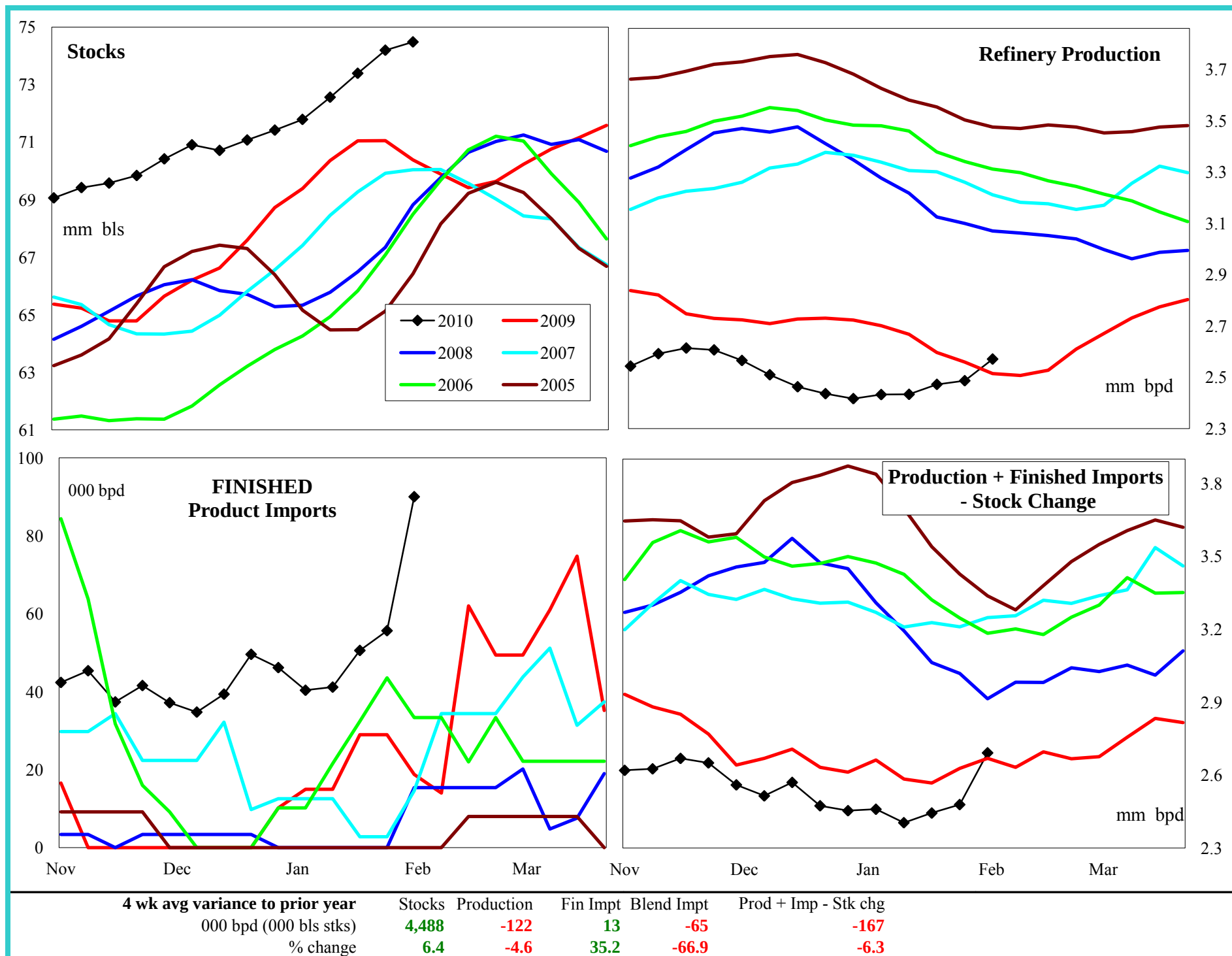
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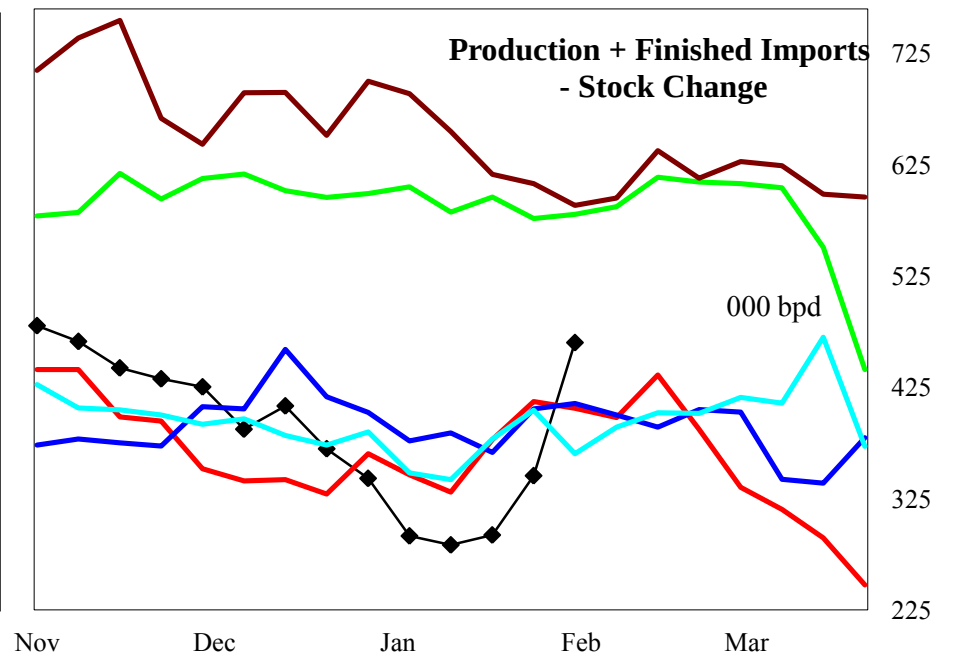
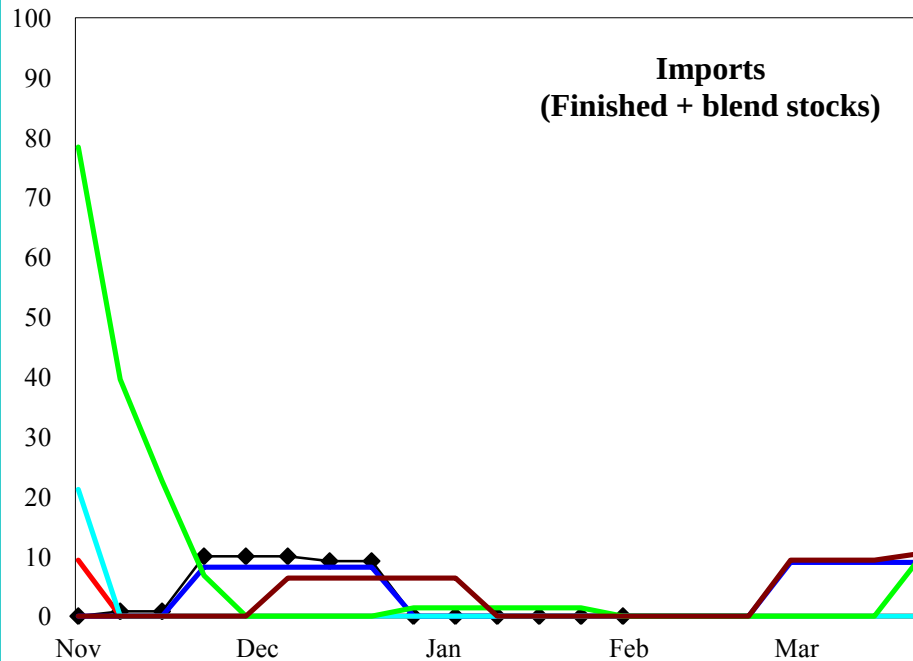
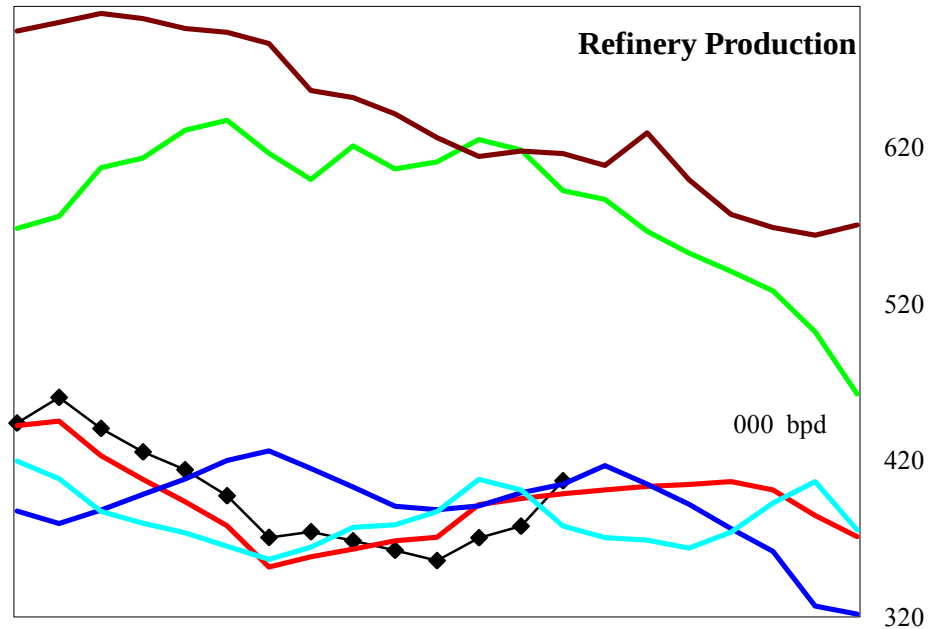
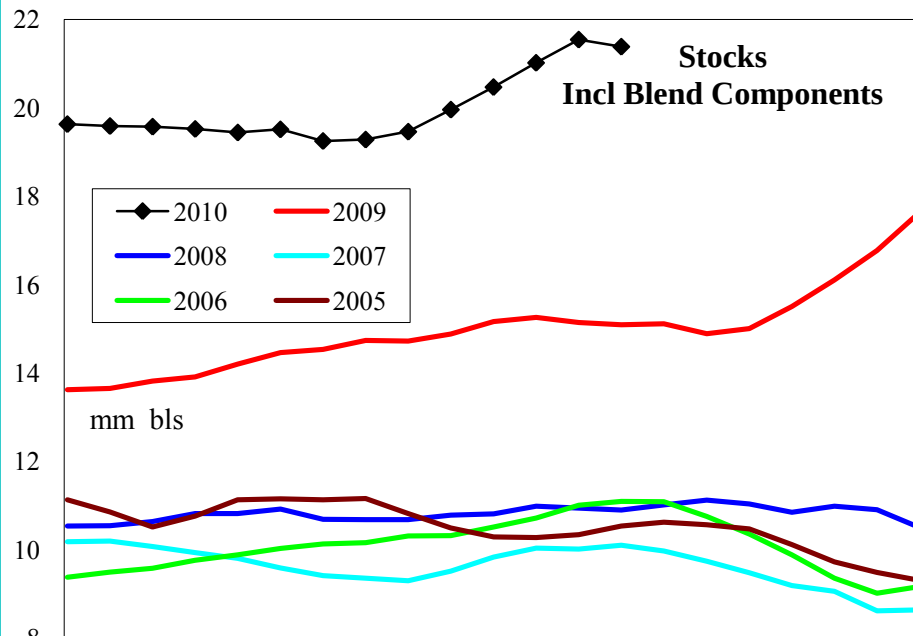
4 wk avg variance to prior year
 000 bpd (000 bls stks)
 % change

	Stocks	Input	Imports
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% change	-3.7	-2.4	-20.7

PADD 3 Gasoline Supply



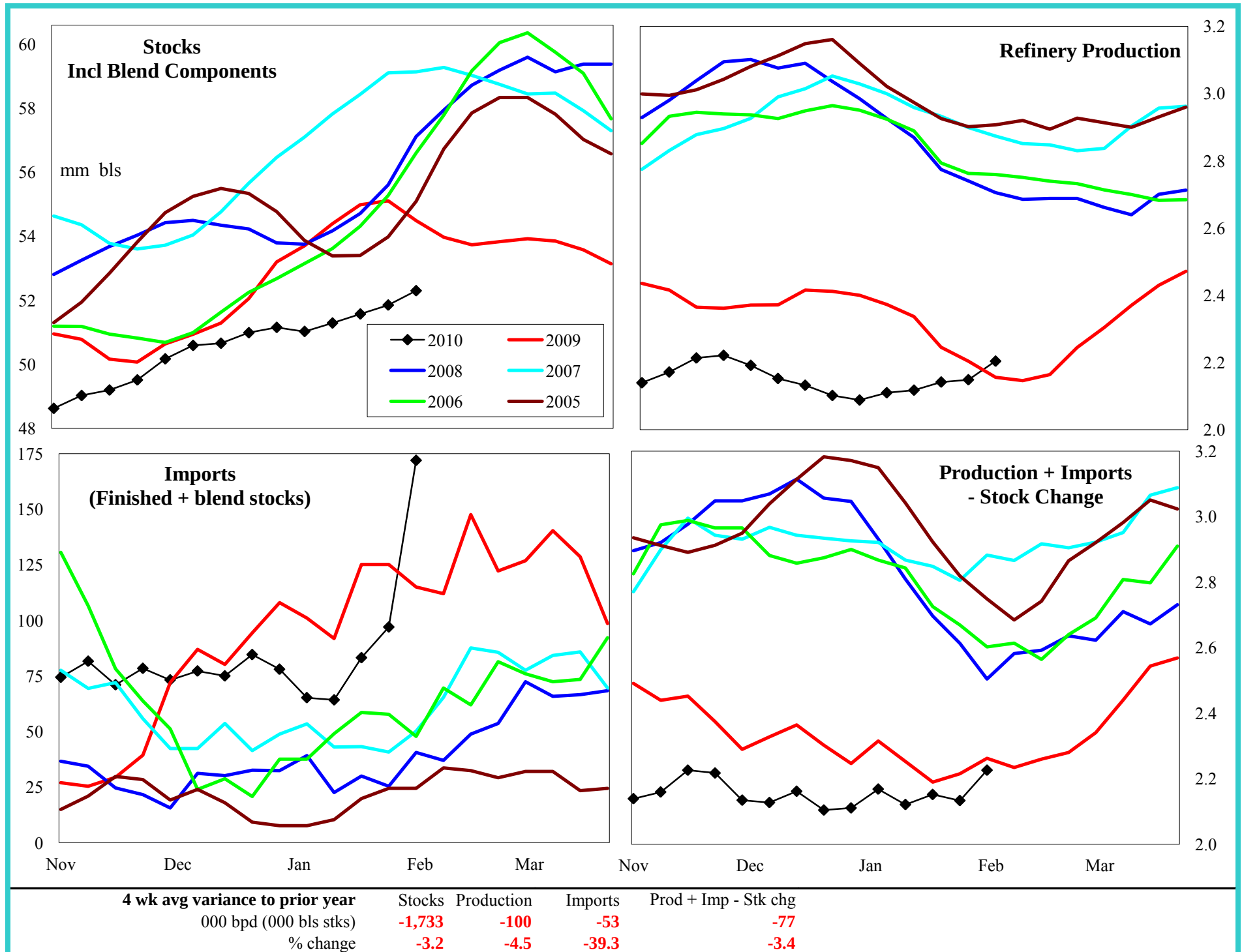
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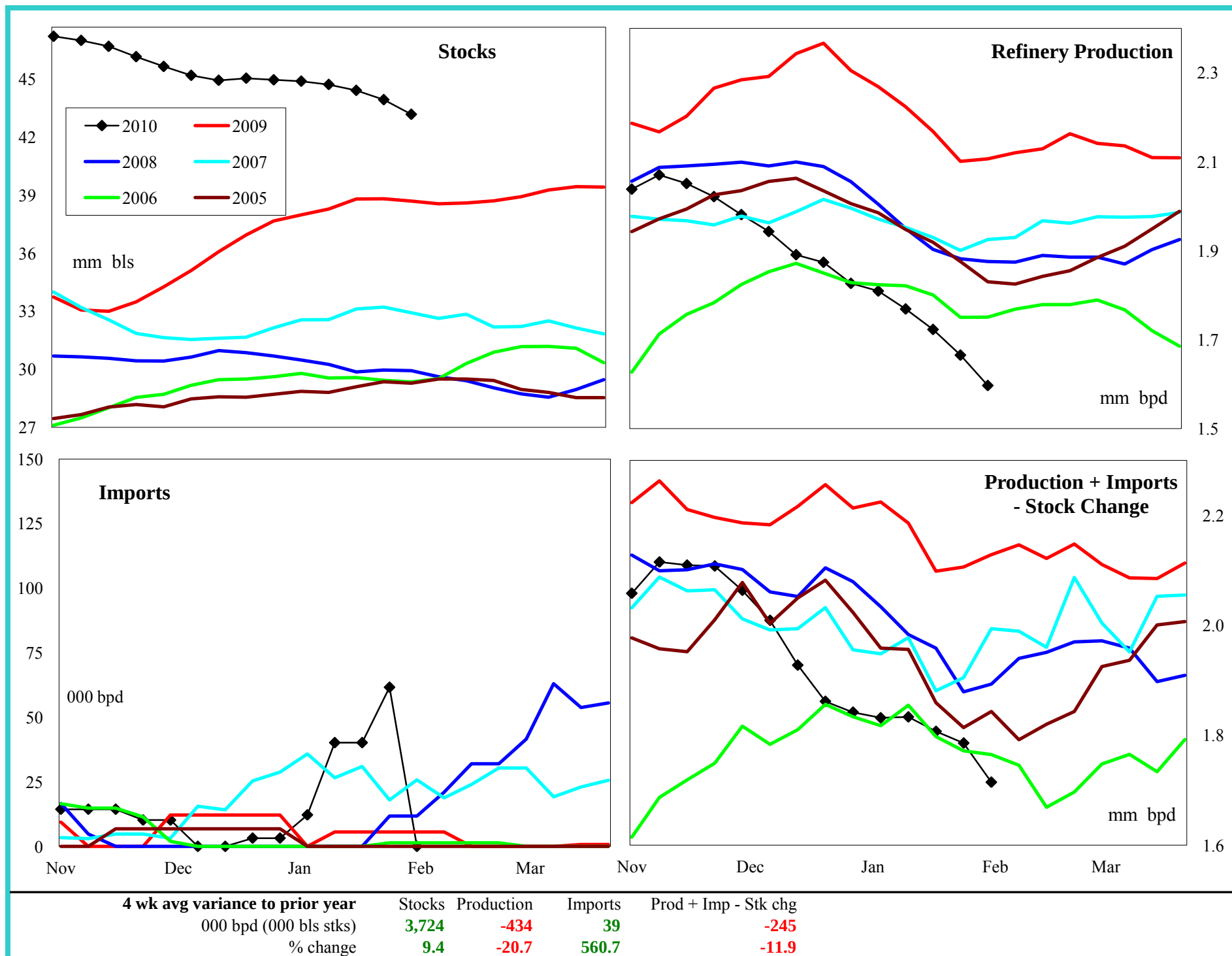
4 wk avg variance to prior year
 000 bpd (000 bls stks)
 % change

Stocks	Production	Imports	Prod + Imp - Stk chg
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40.0	-5.5	#DIV/0!	-22.3

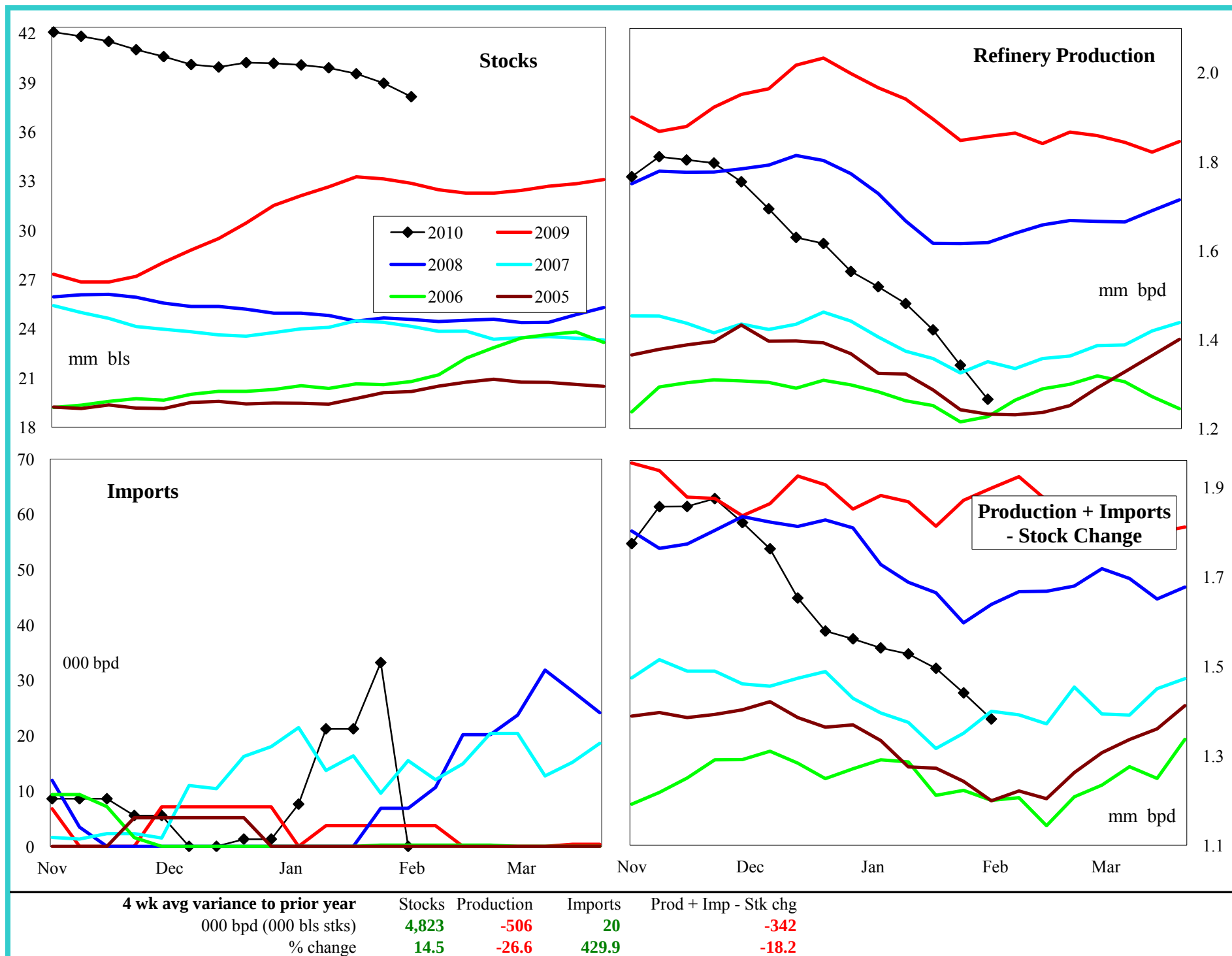
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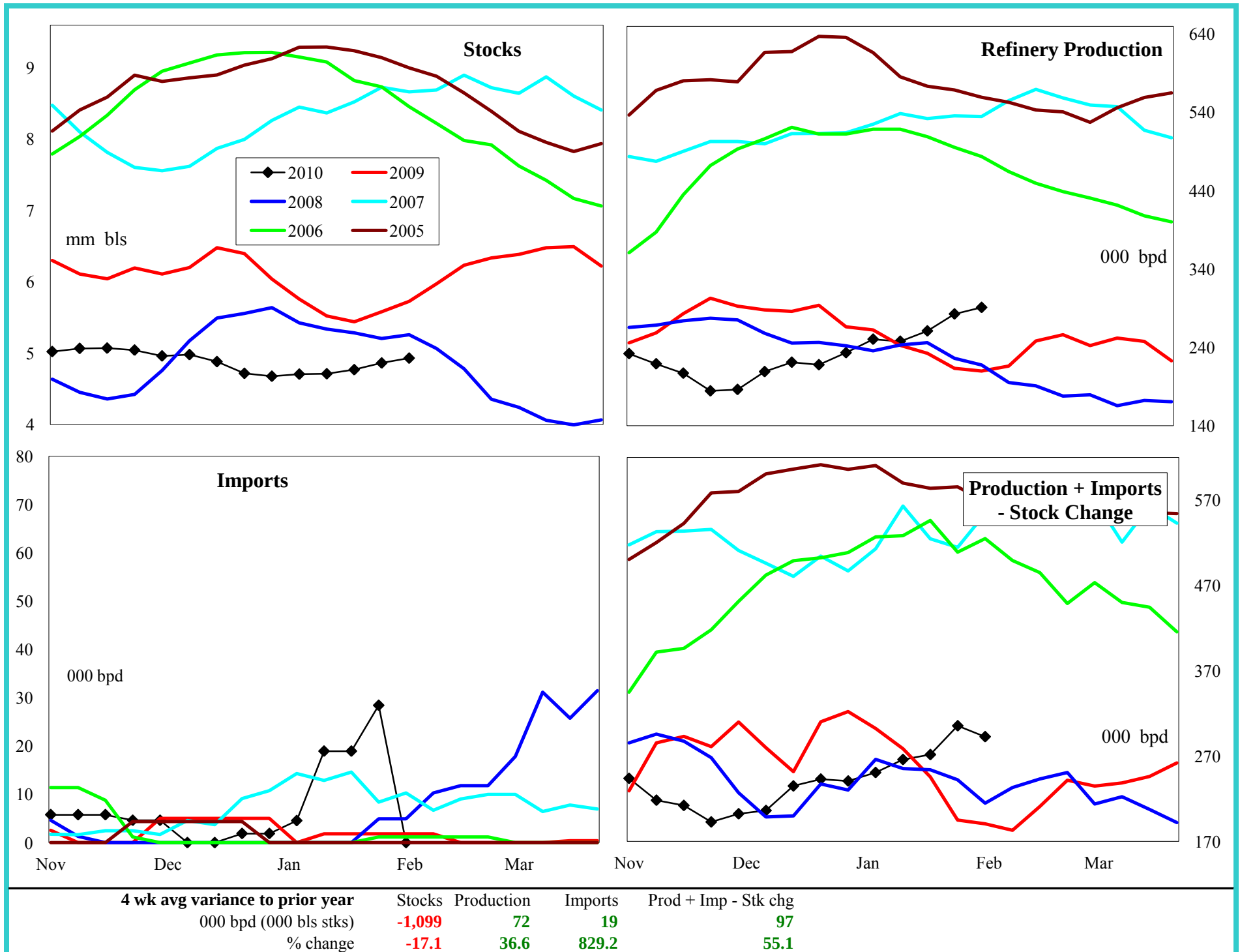
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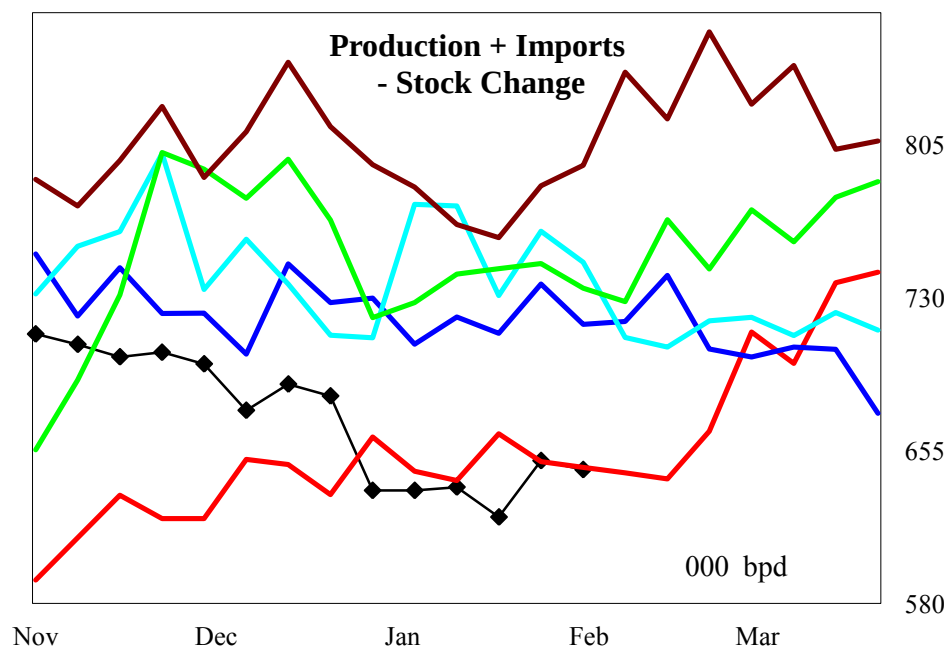
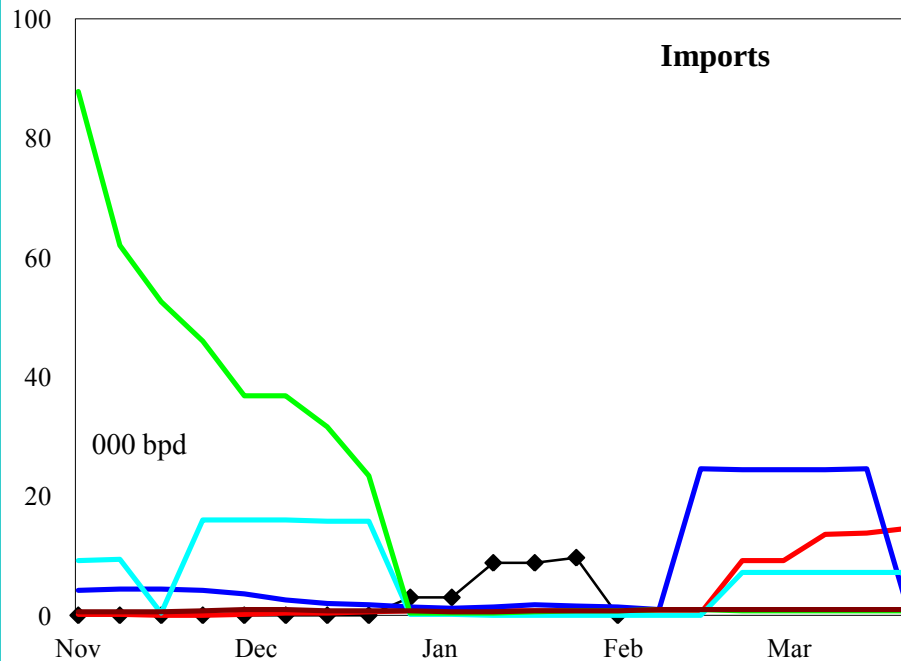
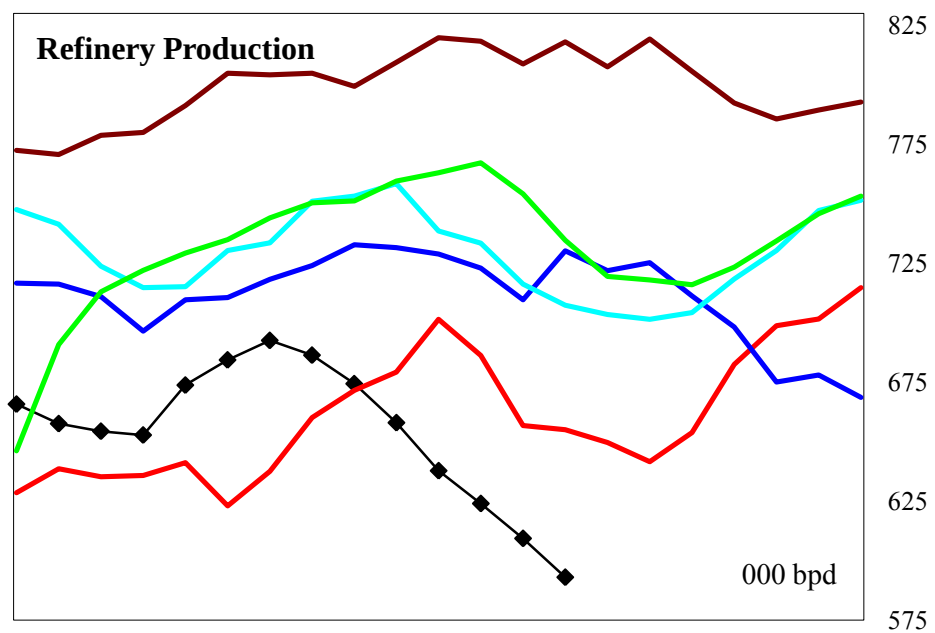
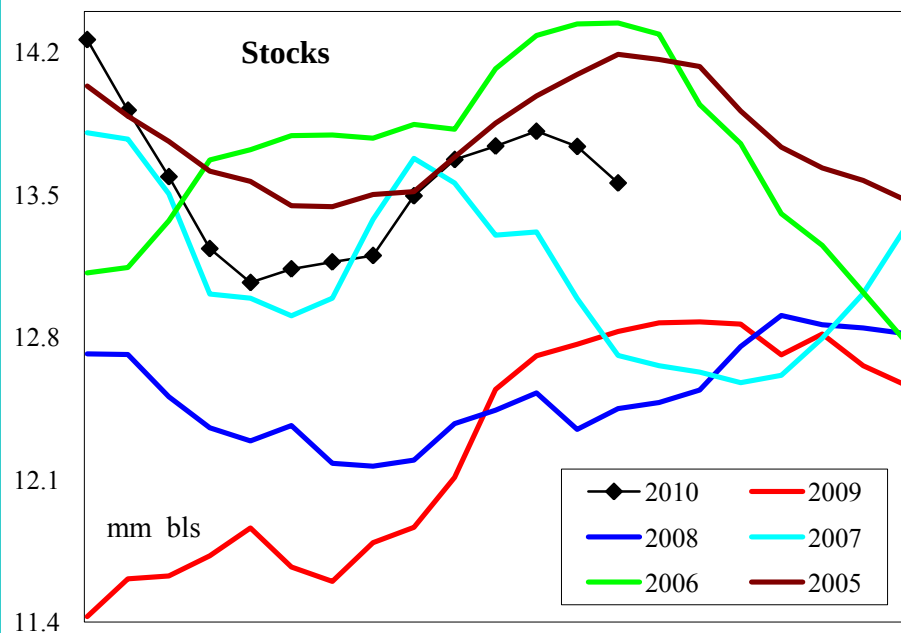
PADD 3 Low Sulfur Distillate Supply



PADD 3 High Sulfur Distillate Supply



PADD 3 Jet Fuel Supply



4 wk avg variance to prior year

000 bpd (000 bbls stks)

% change

Stocks

Production

Imports

Prod + Imp - Stk chg

730

-66

10

-55

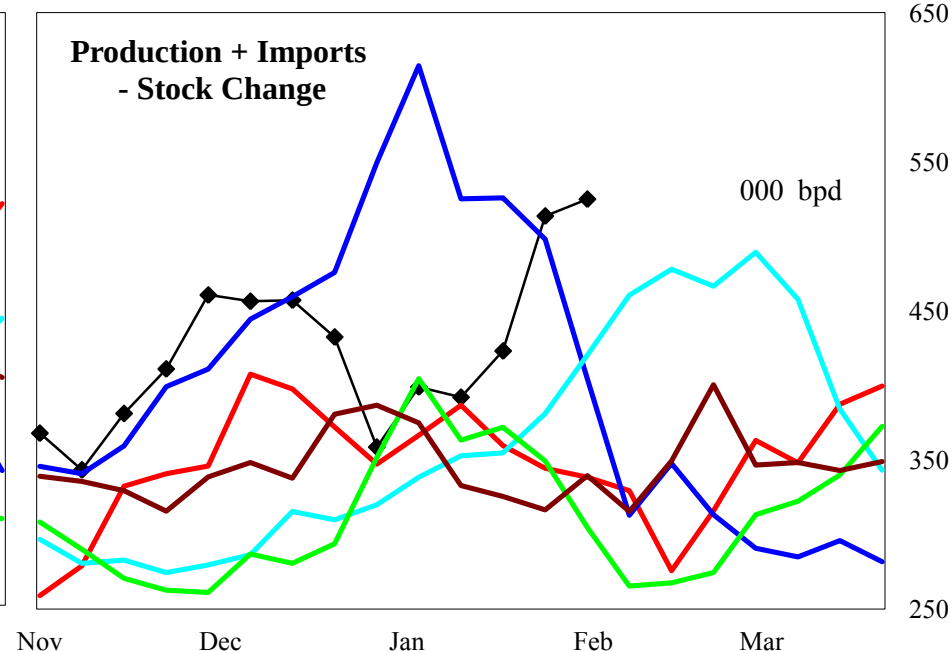
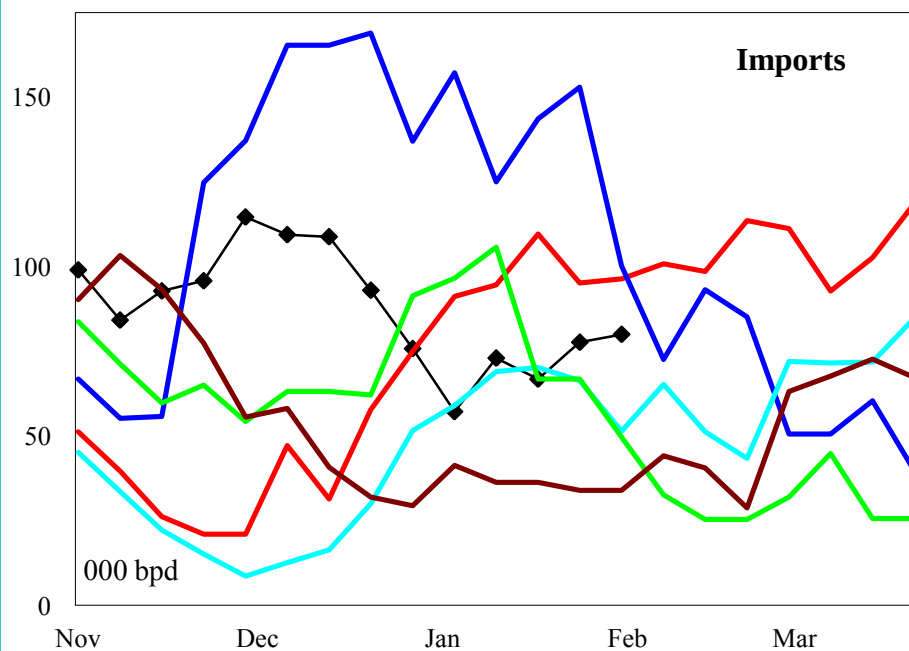
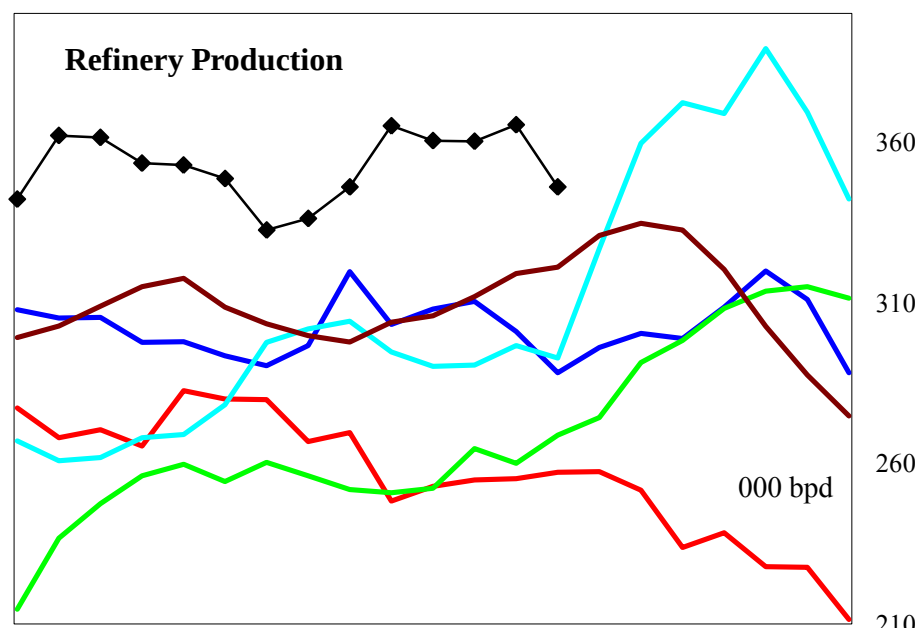
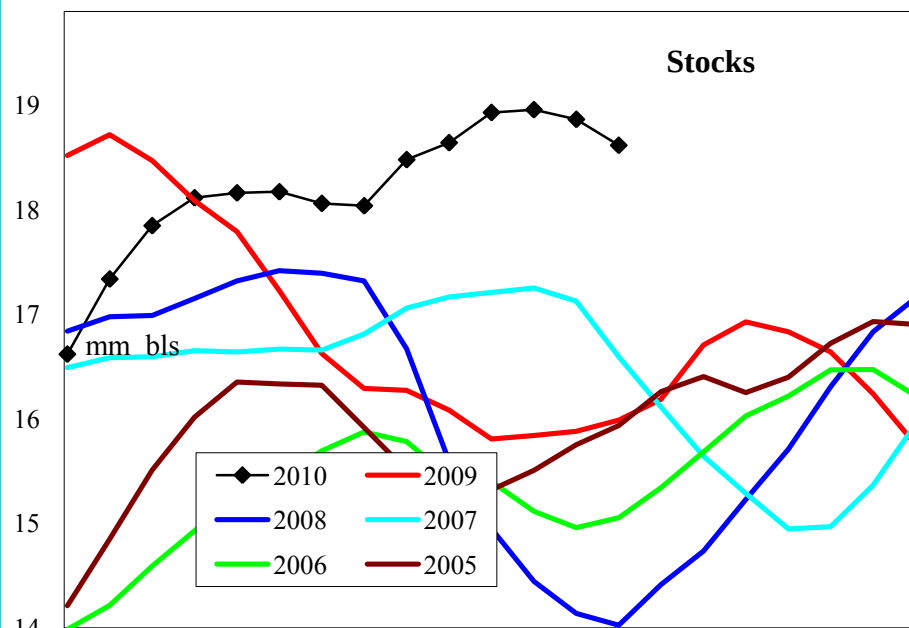
5.7

-9.7

1,366.7

-8.1

PADD 3 Residual Fuel Oil Supply



4 wk avg variance to prior year

000 bpd (000 bls stks)

% change

Stocks

2,632

16.4

Production

102

38.8

Imports

-34

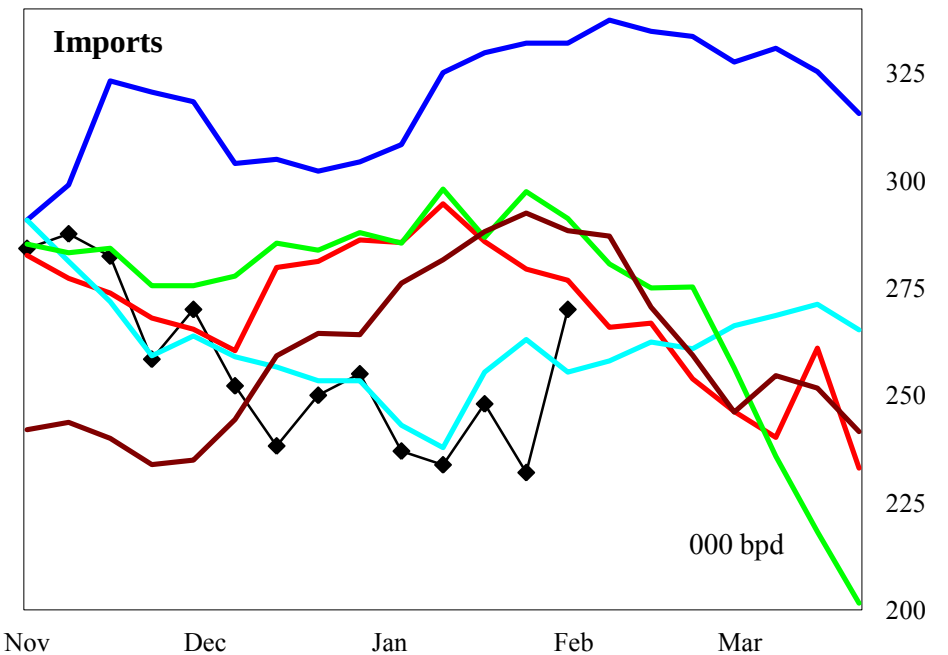
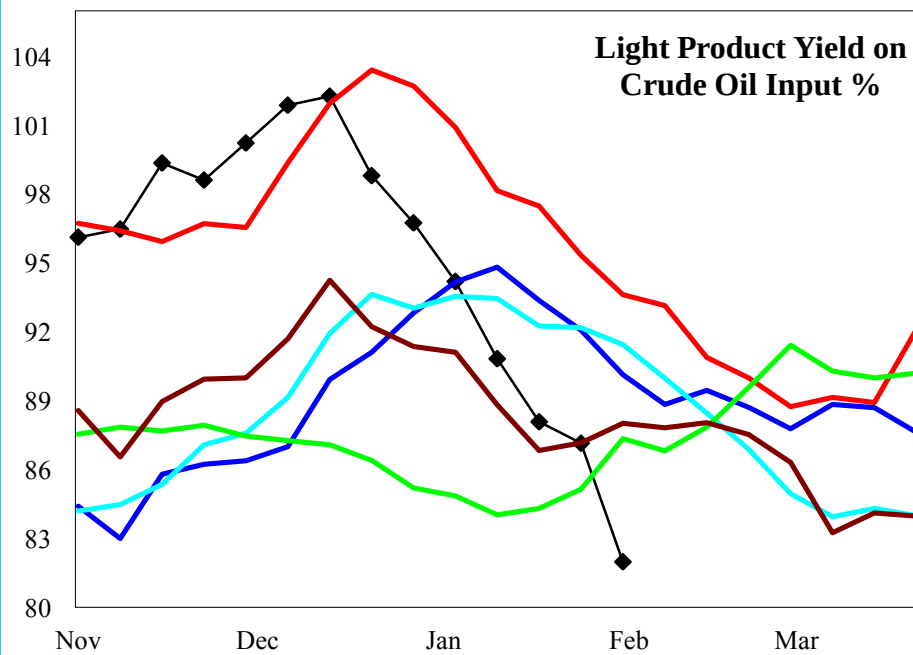
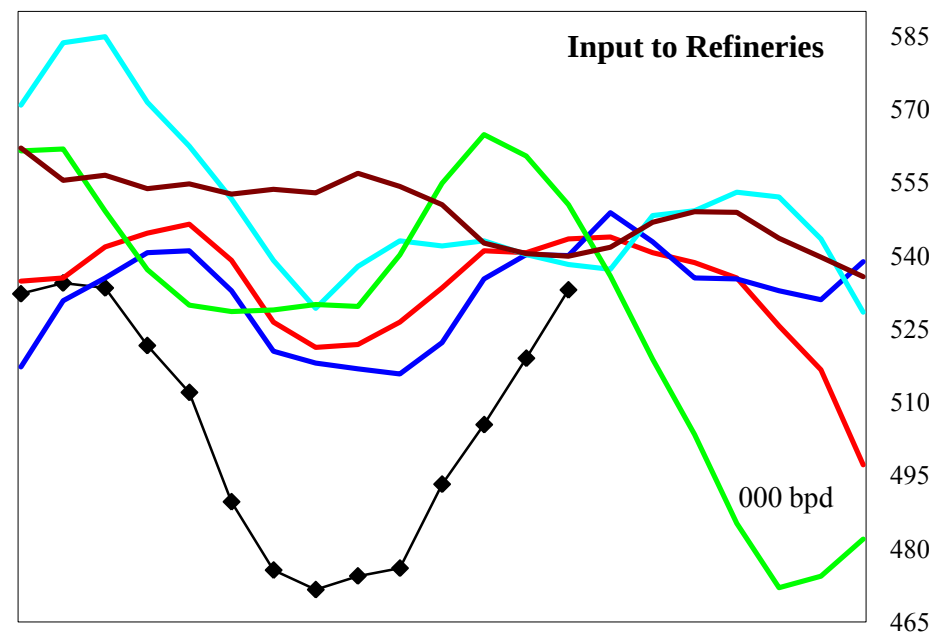
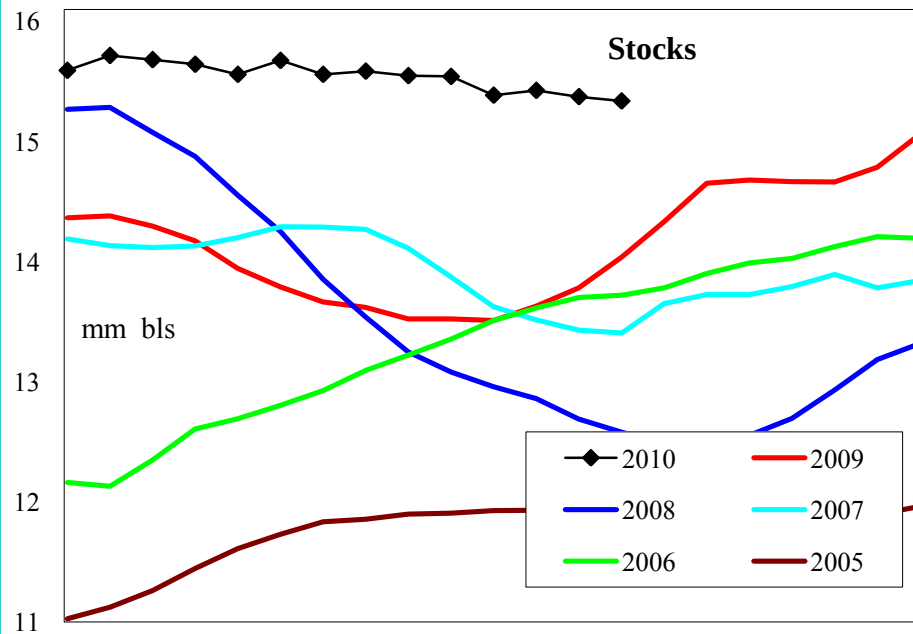
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Prod + Imp - Stk chg

44

11.8

PADD 4 Crude Oil Supply and Refining



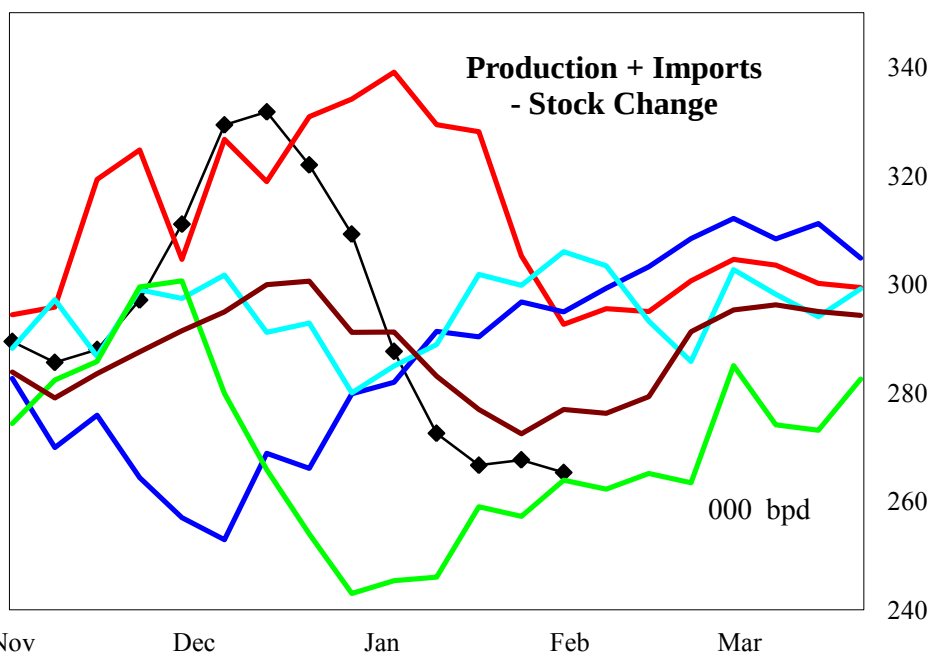
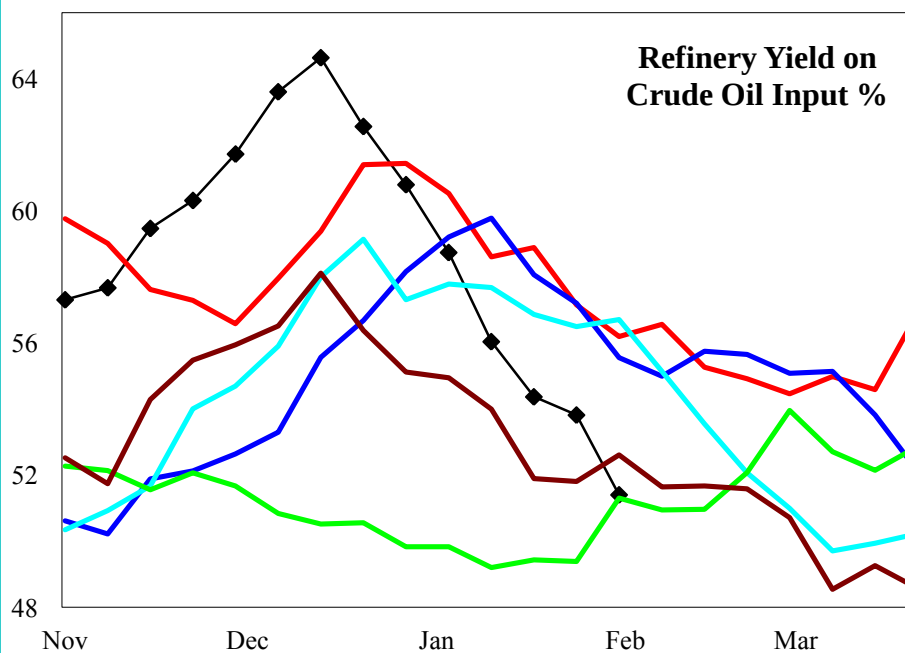
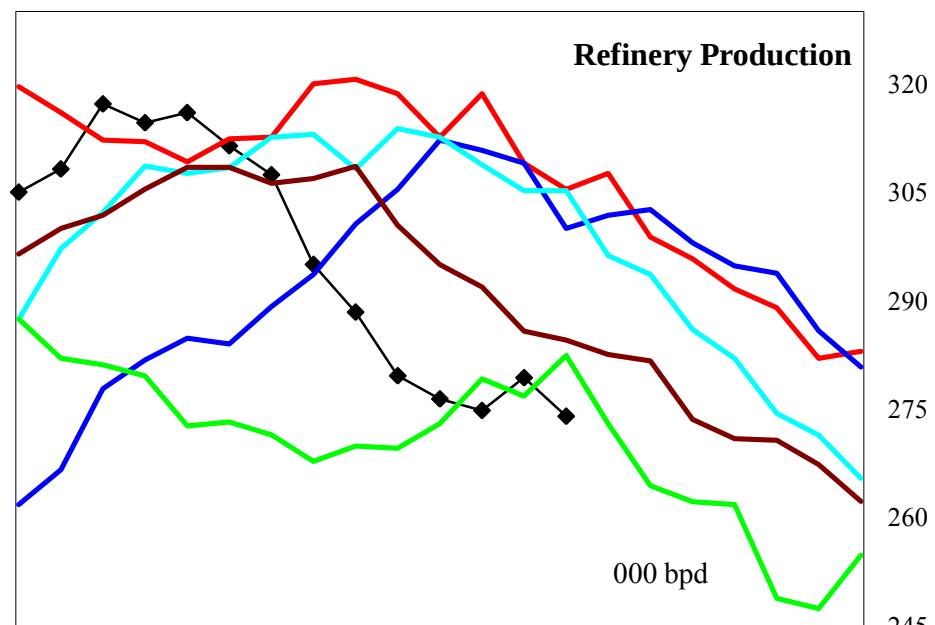
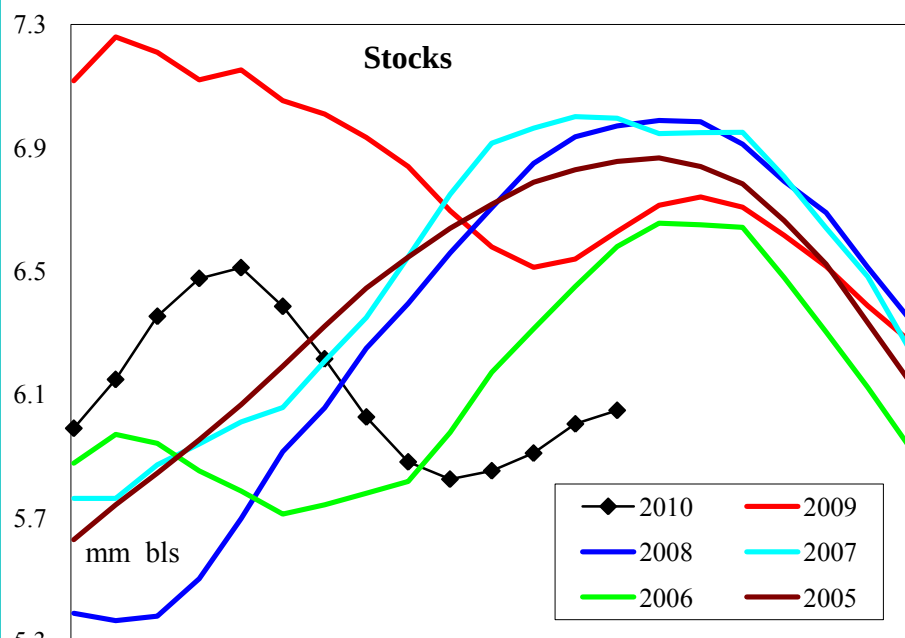
4 wk avg variance to prior year
000 bpd (000 bls stks)
% change

Stocks
1,299
9.1

Input
-30
-5.5

Imports
-59
-20.2

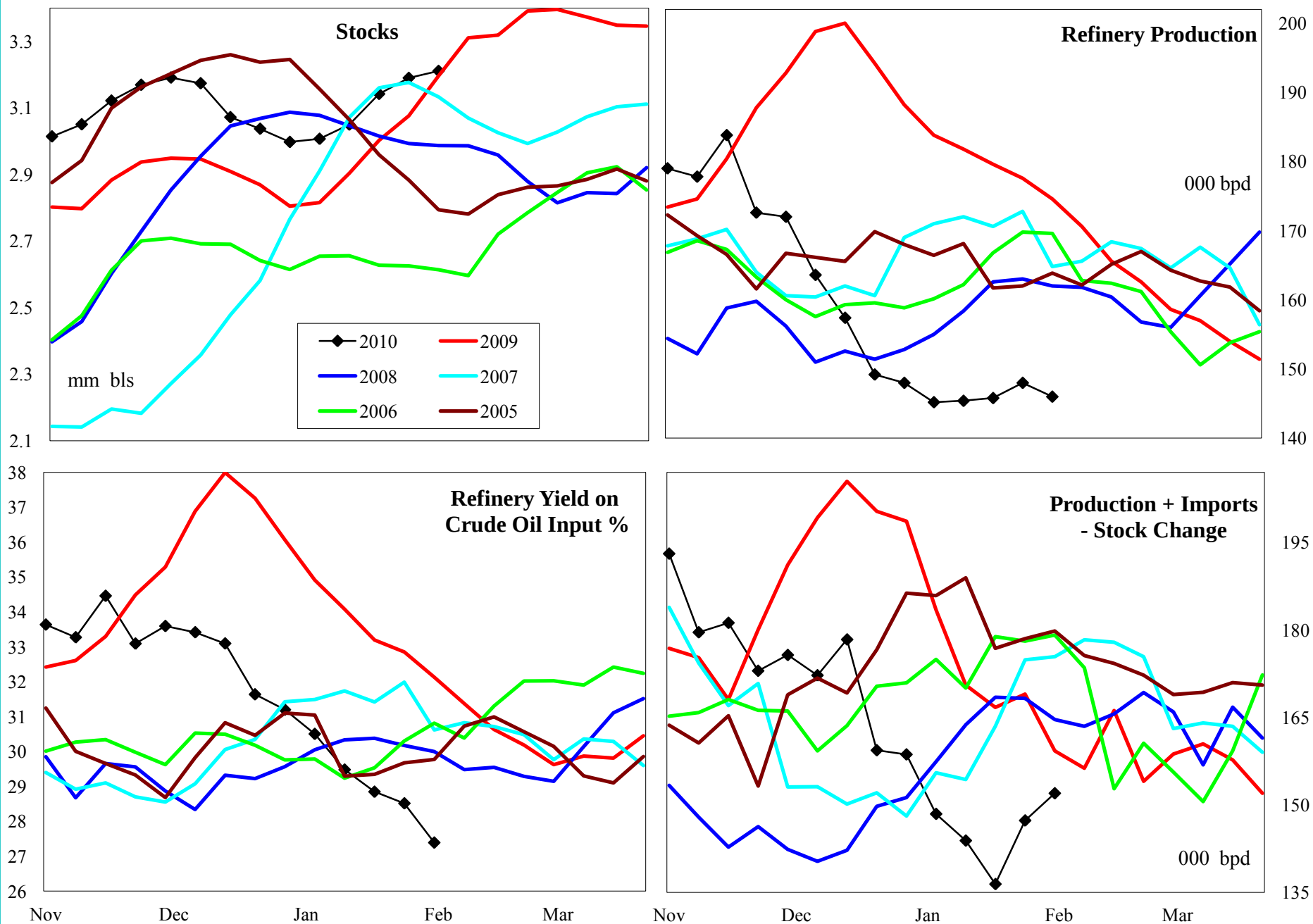
PADD 4 Gasoline Supply



4 wk avg variance to prior year
 000 bpd (000 bls stks)
 % change

	Stocks	Production	Prod + Imp - Stk chg
000 bpd (000 bls stks)	-580	-34	-49
% change	-8.8	-10.9	-15.6

PADD 4 Distillate Supply



4 wk avg variance to prior year

000 bpd (000 bls stks)

% change

Stocks

15

0.5

Production

-34

-18.7

Imports

3

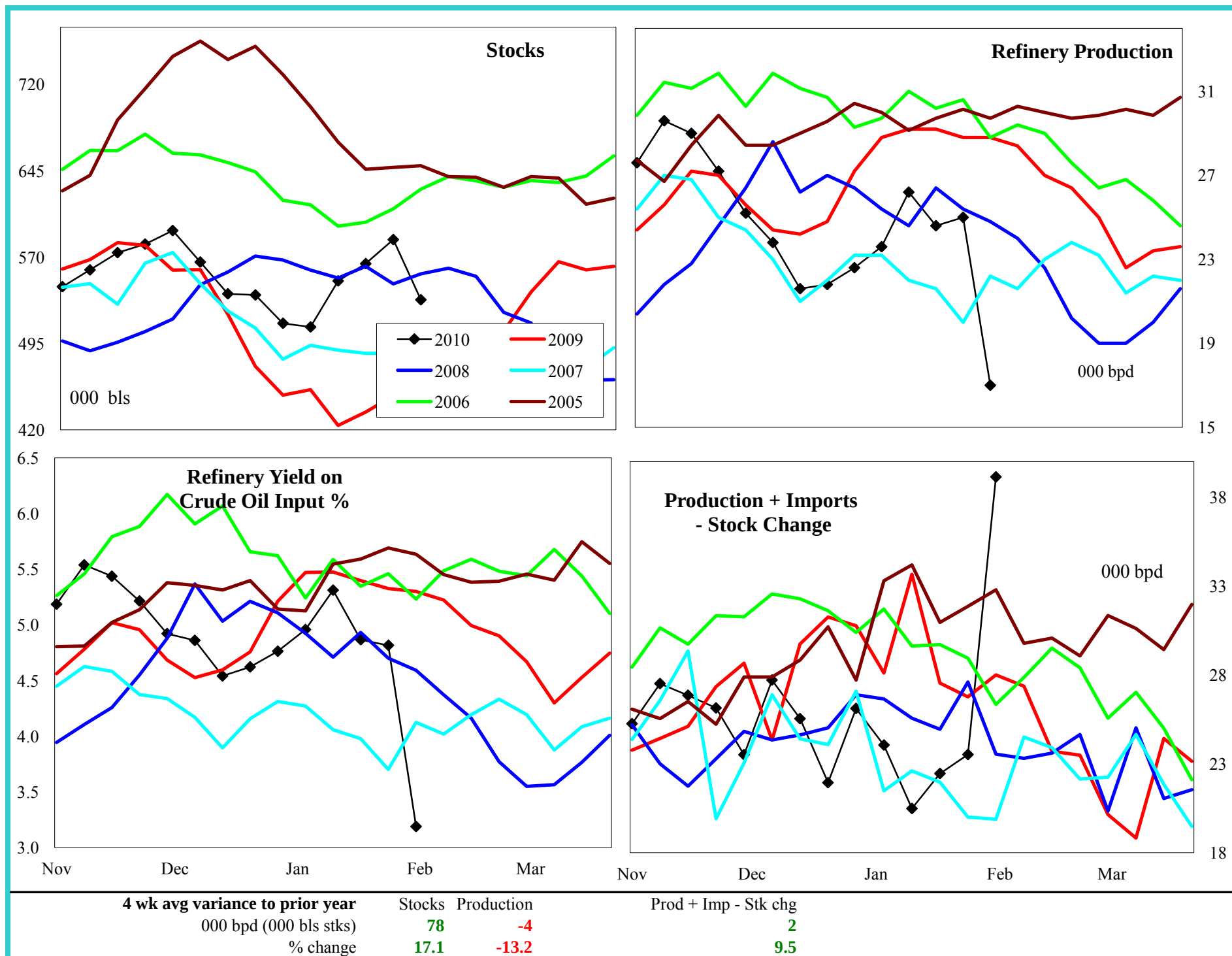
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Prod + Imp - Stk chg

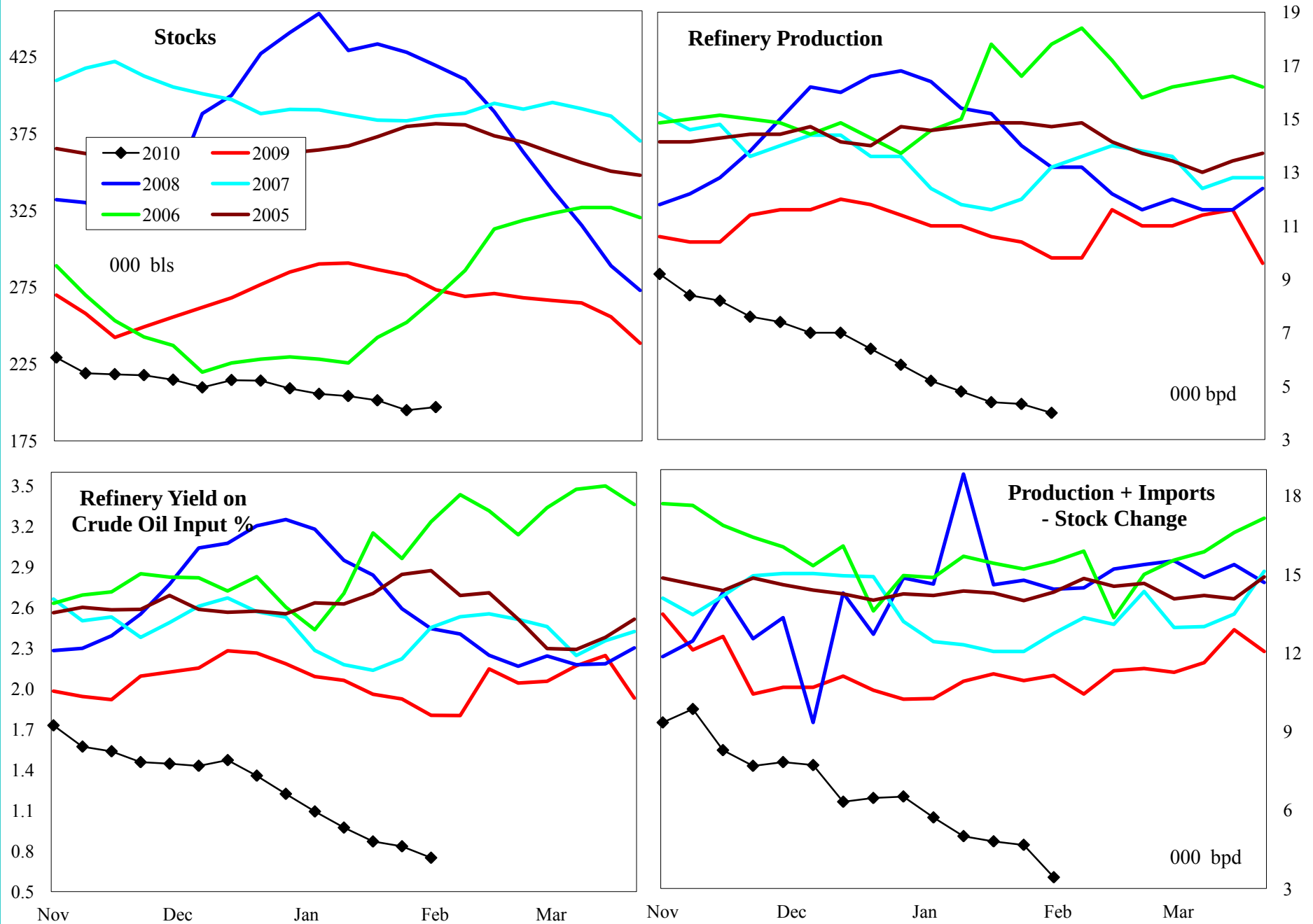
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-19.4

PADD 4 Jet Fuel Supply



PADD 4 Residual Fuel Oil Supply



4 wk avg variance to prior year

000 bpd (000 bls stks)

% change

Stocks

-76

-27.9

Production

-6

-59.5

Imports

0

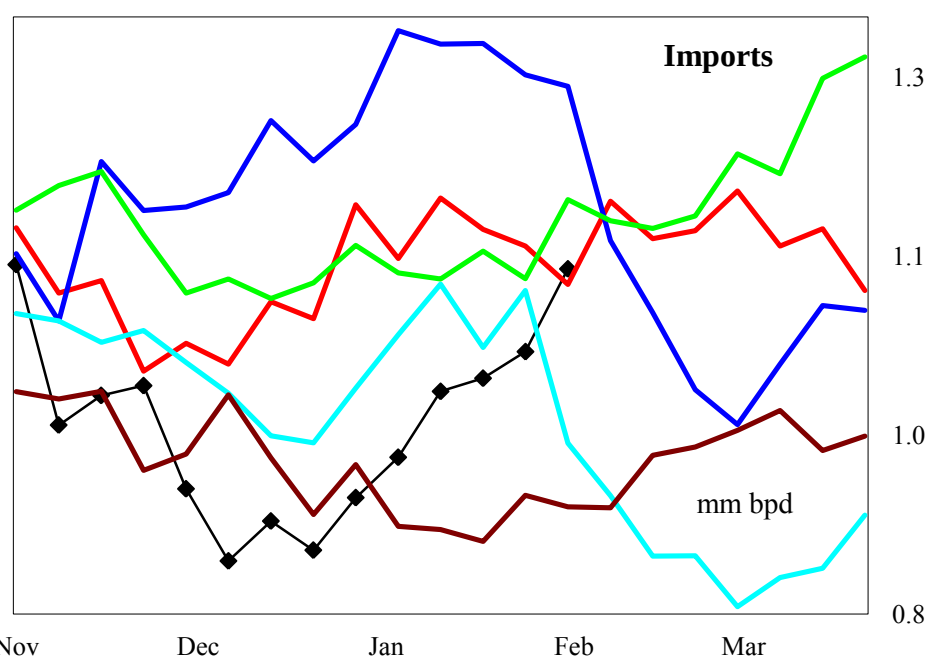
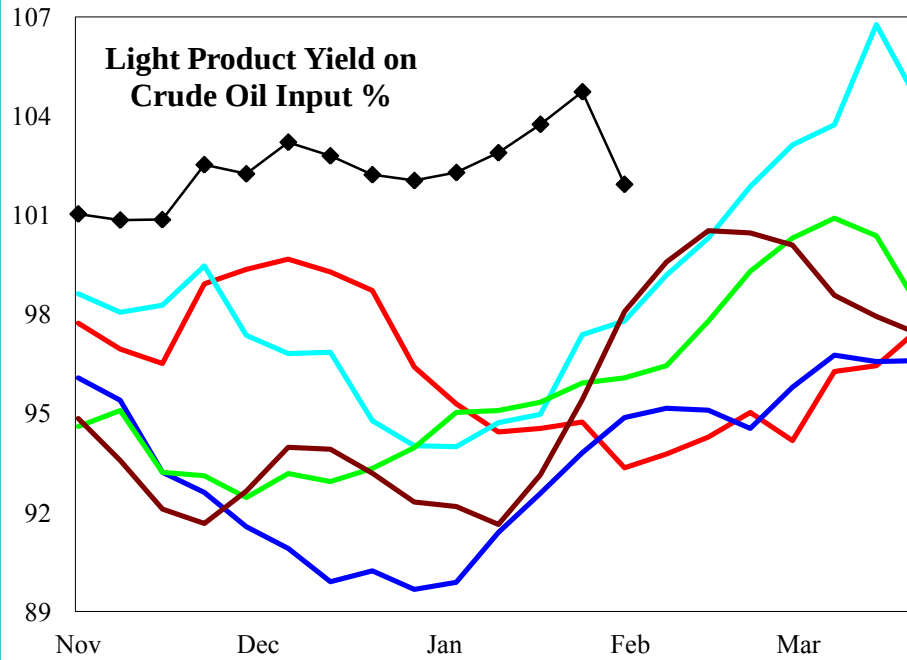
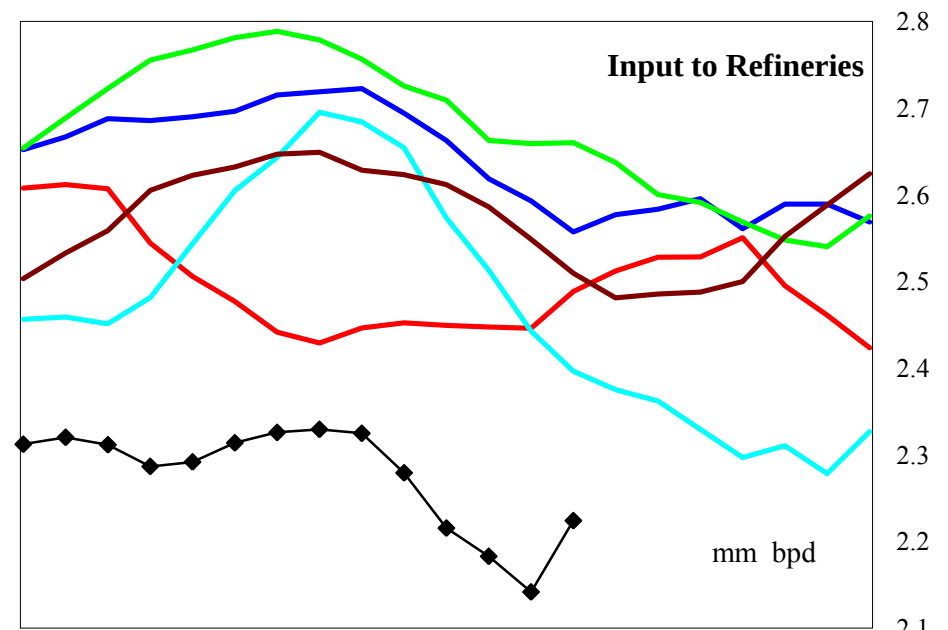
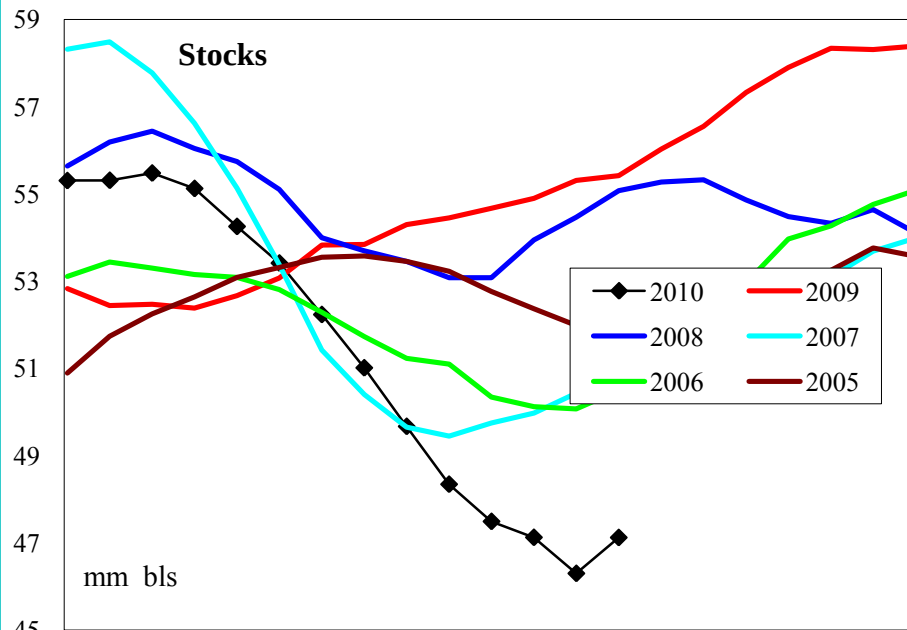
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Prod + Imp - Stk chg

-8

-70.4

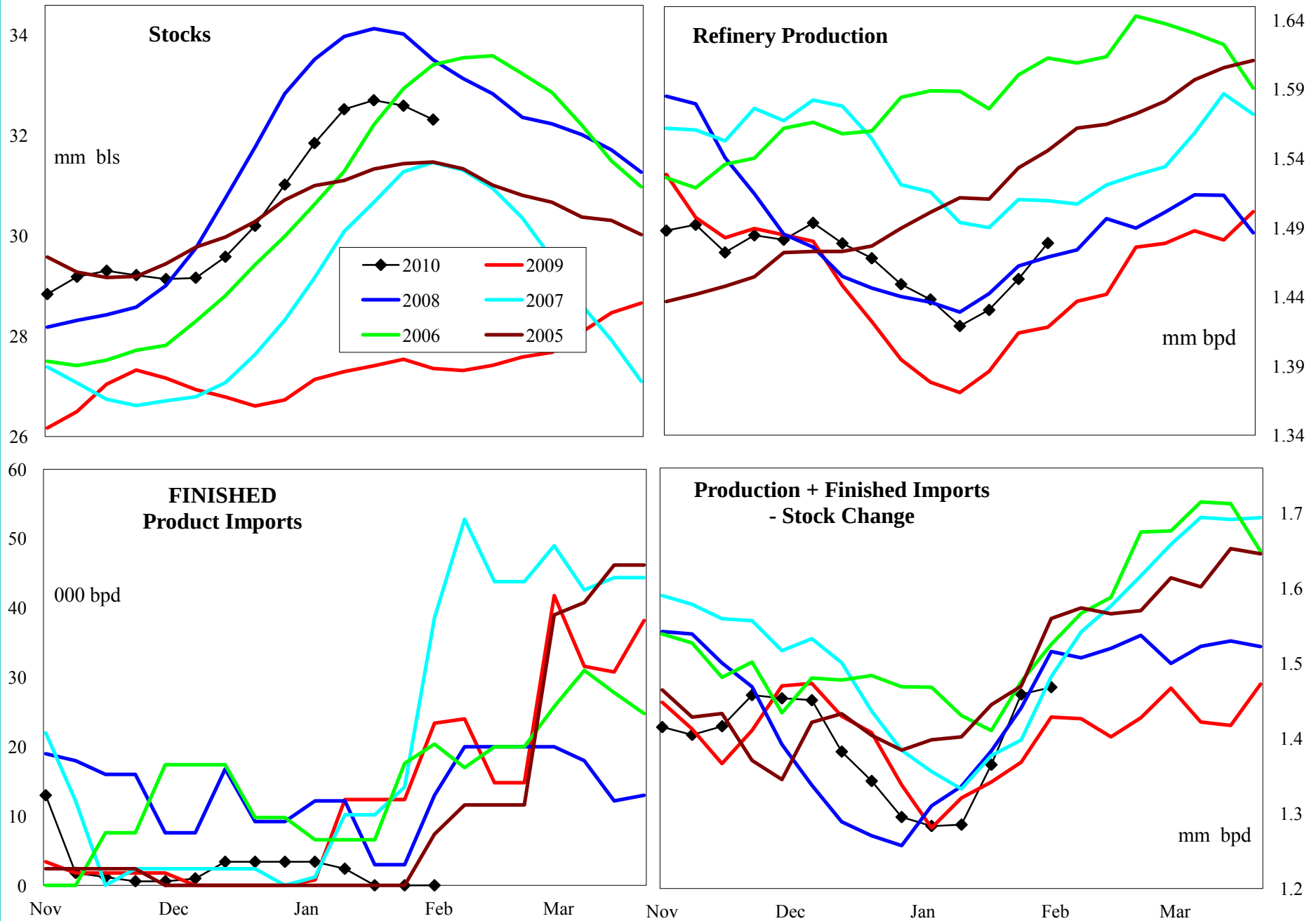
PADD 5 Crude Oil Supply and Refining



4 wk avg variance to prior year
 000 bpd (000 bls stks)
 % change

	Stocks	Input	Imports
000 bpd (000 bls stks)	-8,298	-271	-100
% change	-15.0	-11.1	-8.8

PADD 5 Gasoline Supply



4 wk avg variance to prior year

000 bpd (000 bls stks)

% change

Stocks

5,125

18.6

Production

48

3.4

Fin Impt Blend Impt

-16

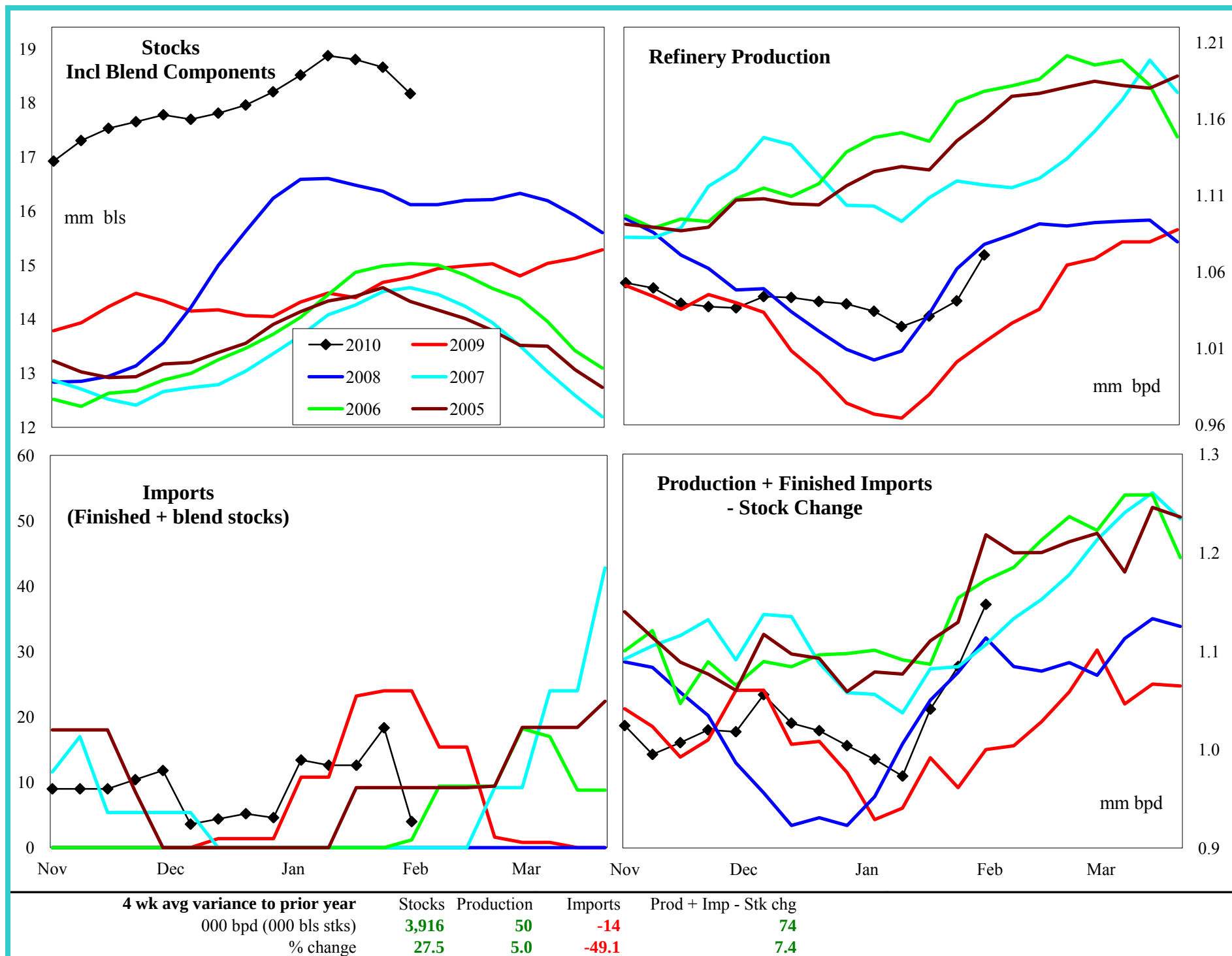
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Prod + Imp - Stk chg

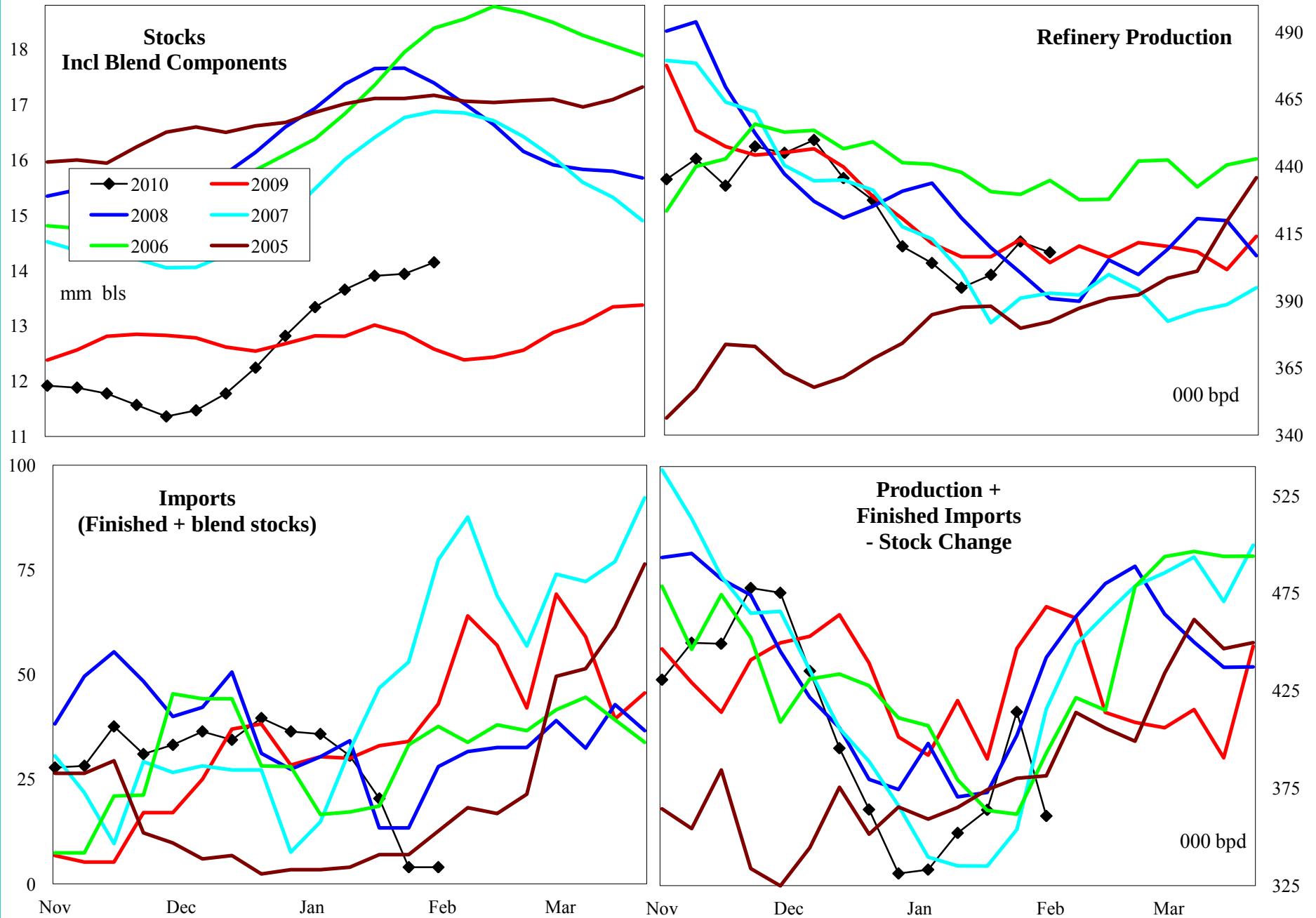
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2.9

PADD 5 Reformulated Gasoline Supply



PADD 5 Conventional Gasoline Supply



4 wk avg variance to prior year

000 bpd (000 bls stks)

% change

Stocks

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9.1

Production

-1

-0.3

Imports

-33

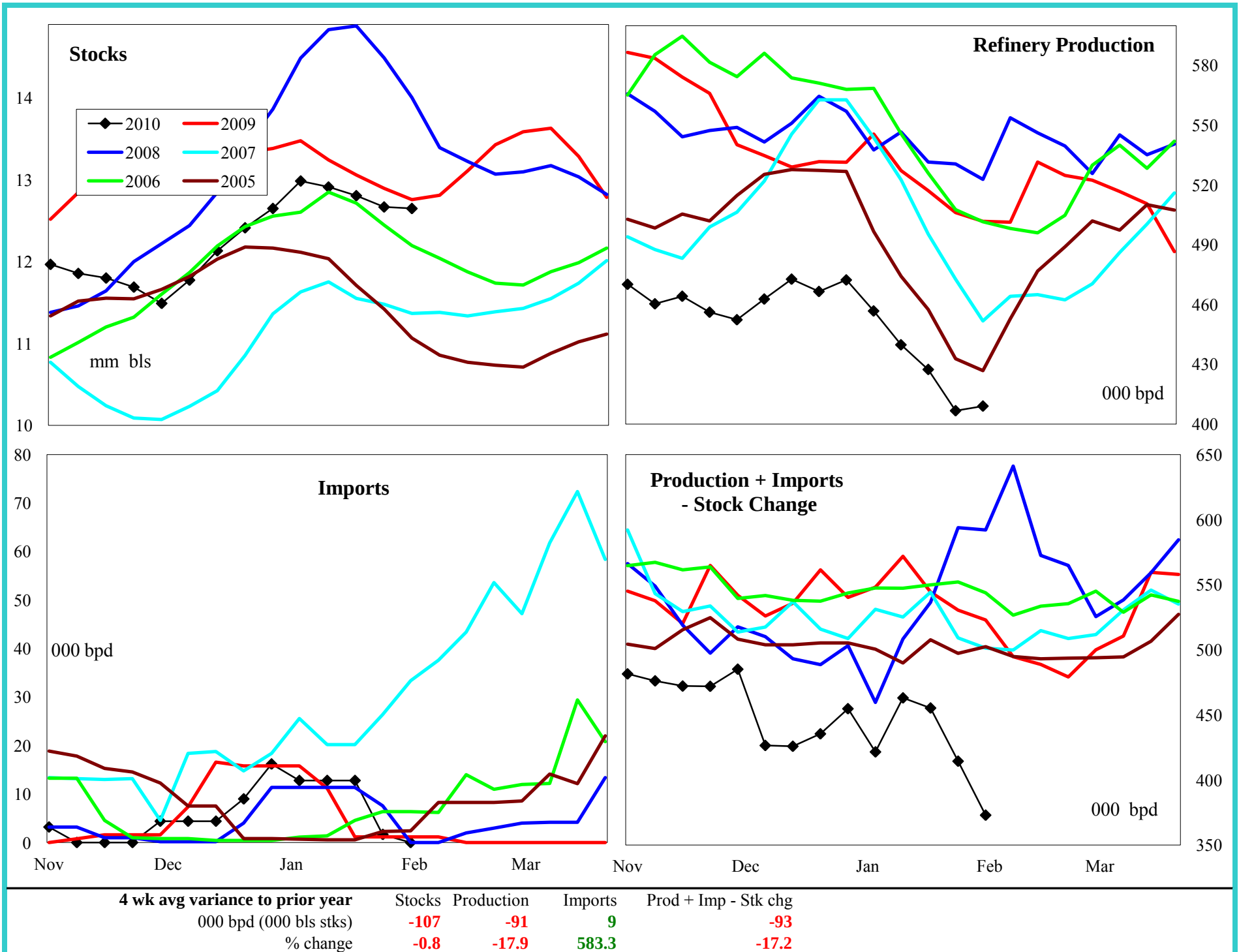
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Prod + Imp - Stk chg

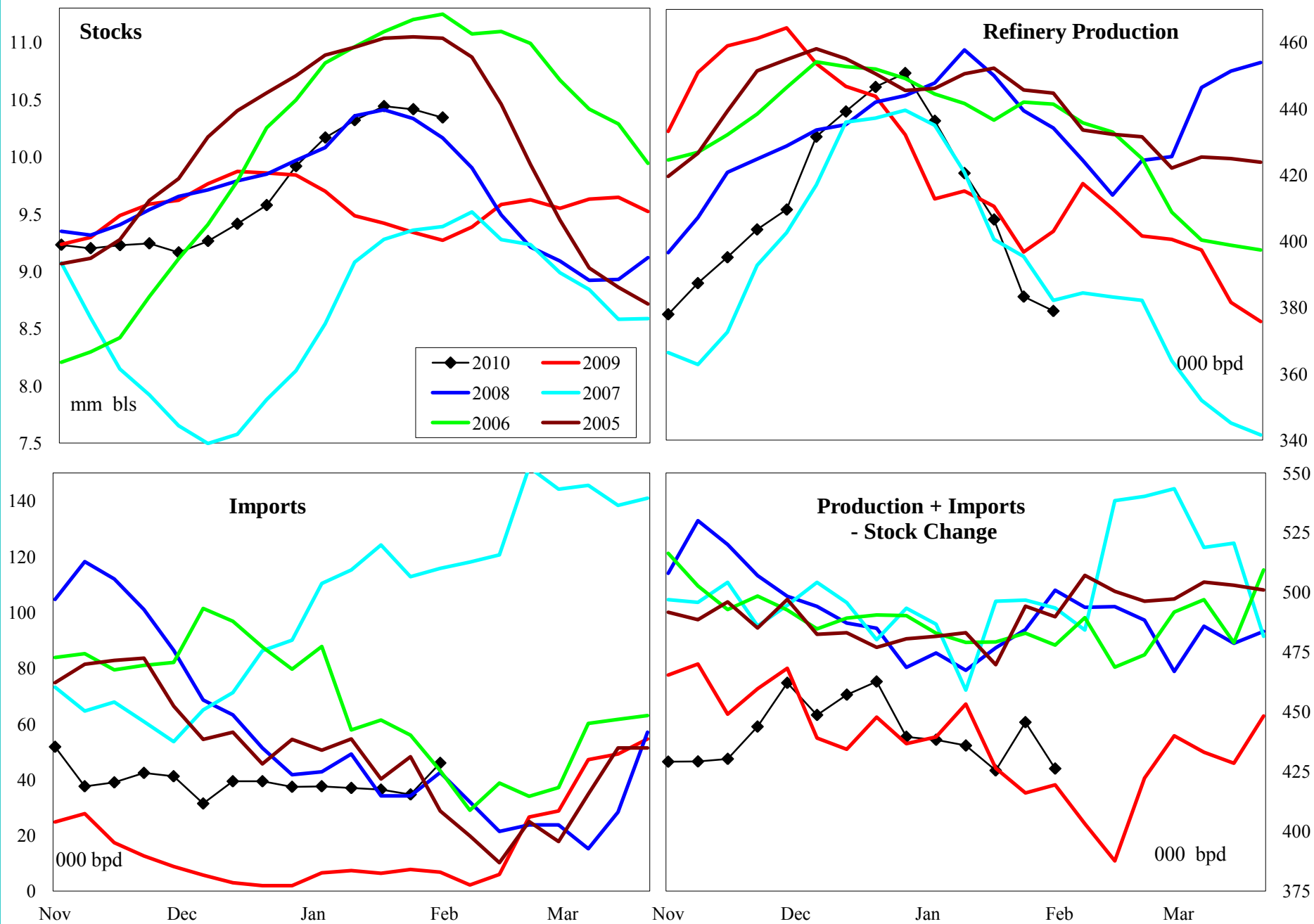
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-7.7

PADD 5 Distillate Supply



PADD 5 Jet Fuel Supply



4 wk avg variance to prior year

000 bpd (000 bls stks)

% change

Stocks

1,003

10.7

Production

-2

-0.4

Imports

23

284.4

Prod + Imp - Stk chg

-6

-1.3

PADD 5 Residual Fuel Oil Supply

