



## WEEKLY PETROLEUM SUPPLY-DEMAND TRENDS

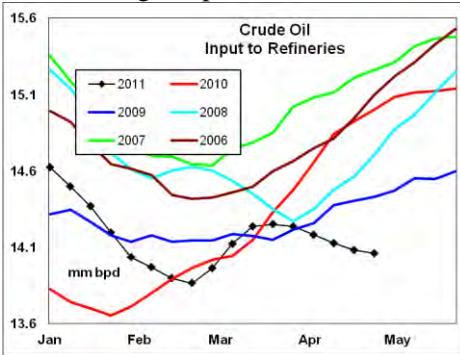
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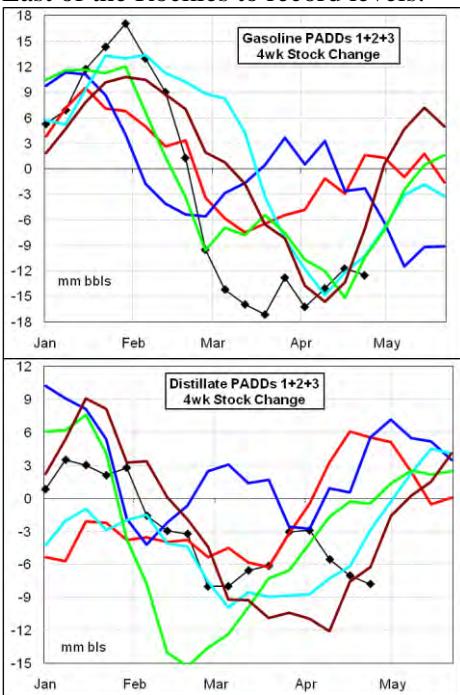


#### **Major Fundamental Trends<sup>1</sup>**

Crude oil runs were nearly unchanged last week as maintenance increased in the Gulf, offsetting higher runs in all other regions. Runs were -1 million bpd below last year and -0.5 million bpd below the record low level set in 2009, during the peak of the recession.



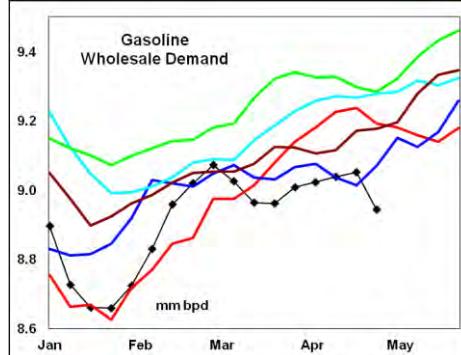
Exceptionally low crude oil runs continue to limit output of transport fuels (gasoline, distillate, jet fuel), leading to a combined stock draw of -2.6 million barrels last week. These draws have driven the latest 4-wk gasoline/distillate draws in markets East of the Rockies to record levels.



Expect crude oil runs to increase significantly during the next 30-days,

increasing the supplies of transport fuels in all major markets.

Gasoline demand fell -205,000 bpd last week, with recent 4-wk averages below the 5-year range. High unemployment and near record retail prices are reducing consumption.



Gasoline imports reached the highest level of 2011, last week. Even with the increase stocks in PADD 1 fell to fresh 5-year lows. Even with the weakness in demand, there remains a significant risk of a further supply squeeze in markets East of the Rockies during the next 45-days.

Demand for distillate increased +156,000 bpd on the week, while gasoline saw a -205,000 counter seasonal decline.

Wholesale demand (including exports) measured over the last four weeks compared to a year ago: gasoline decreased -1.9%; distillate up +6.9%; jet fuel up +3.8% while residual fuel oil increased +6.9%.

**Stocks forward coverage:** Gasoline demand coverage decreased on a -1 million barrel draw in stocks. Coverage levels were at the mid range.

Distillate coverage fell on a -1.4 million barrel stock draw. Coverage levels were below the last 2-years.

Jet fuel coverage decreased on a -0.2 million barrel stock draw. Coverage levels were below the last 2-years.

**Refinery utilization** rates remain extremely low with crude oil runs -0.5 million bpd below the prior 5-year low for the period, which was at the depth of the last recession.

Gasoline yield % on crude oil runs

was nearly unchanged on a -15,000 bpd decline in output compared to the -18,000 bpd decline in crude oil runs. The yield % on crude oil runs was above the 5-year range, driven by blend stock imports.

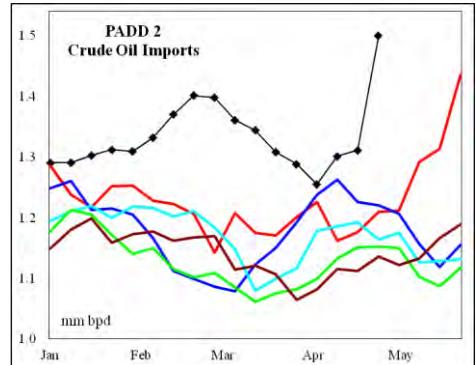
Distillate yield % on crude oil runs increased on a +138,000 bpd rise in output compared to the small decrease in crude oil runs. Yield % was a new 5-year high for this time of year.

Jet fuel yield % on crude oil runs spiked on a +127,000 bpd rise in output, compared to the small decrease in crude oil runs. The yield % on crude oil runs was a record high.

**Petroleum Imports** of crude oil, jet and residual fuel oil decreased last week, while gasoline and distillate were modestly higher.

During the latest 4-wk period crude oil imports decreased -840,000 bpd below last year; distillate imports decreased -14,000 bpd; finished gasoline imports increased +11,000 bpd, gasoline blend stock imports increased +99,000 bpd; jet fuel imports were -19,000 bpd lower, while residual fuel oil imports decreased -52,000 bpd.

**Crude Oil** stocks climbed +3.4 million barrels on the week, concentrated in PADD 3. Imports fell -0.4 million bpd last week, including a surge to record levels in PADD 2.



A significant surge in Gulf refinery runs during the next 30-days should lead to limit the seasonal stock build in this major region for the balance of the current quarter. Combined with the renewed surge in PADD 2 imports, WTI prices are likely to remain weak compared to other global grades.

<sup>1</sup> Source is latest EIA Weekly Statistics



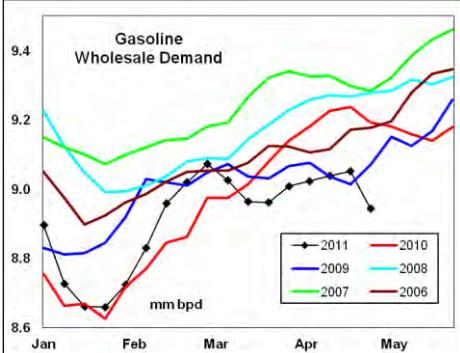
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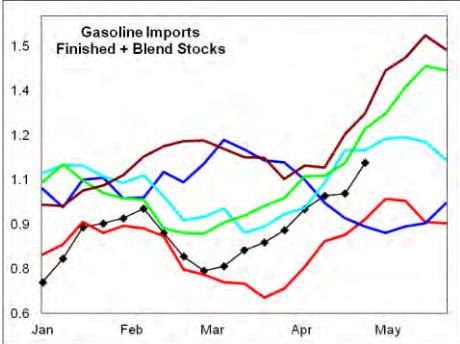
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#### Product Supply-Demand Trends

**Gasoline** demand fell -205,000 bpd on the week. The latest 4-wk average demand was down -179,000 bpd compared to last year.



Production decreased -15,000 bpd on the week, with output just below the 5-year mid range. Imports increased +56,000 bpd to a level above the last 2-years.



Stocks decreased -1 million barrels on the week. The latest 4-wk stock draw East of the Rockies a record draw for this time of year.

*Very weak wholesale demand has been offset by reduced production and relatively low imports. The result has been unusually high stock draws for the past 2-months.*

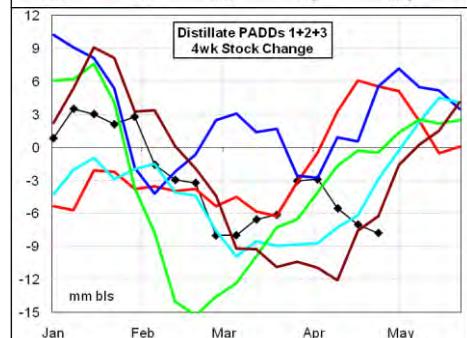
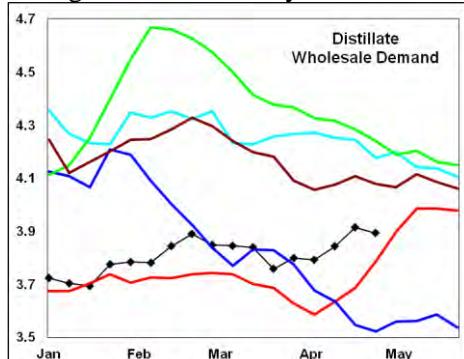
*A slow restart of refineries in key regions East of the Rockies and record low stocks in PADD 1, risk a supply squeeze in the near term. Late in the current quarter, expect a return to operation of refineries and higher imports to significantly improve the supply balance.*

**Distillate** demand increased +156,000 bpd last week. The latest 4-wk average demand was +250,000 bpd above last year.

Supply increased +214,000 bpd on

the week, with both production and imports higher. Supply levels were comparable to the last three years.

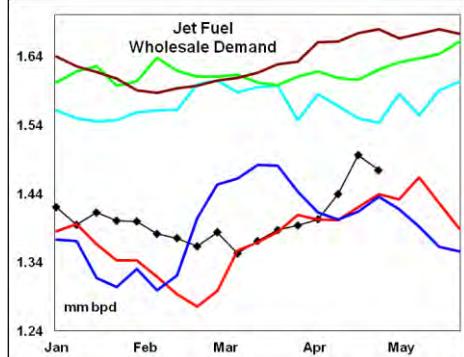
Stocks decreased -1.4 million barrels on the week, with the level falling below the last 2-years.



The latest 4-wk stock change in PADDs 1+2+3 was a draw of -7.8 million barrels, a record high draw for this time of year.

*The high level of refinery maintenance, which has driven crude oil runs sharply below the 5-year range, has delayed start of seasonal distillate stock building.*

*Expect an increase in output in the near term and moderating demand growth to lead to seasonal stock builds later in the current quarter.*



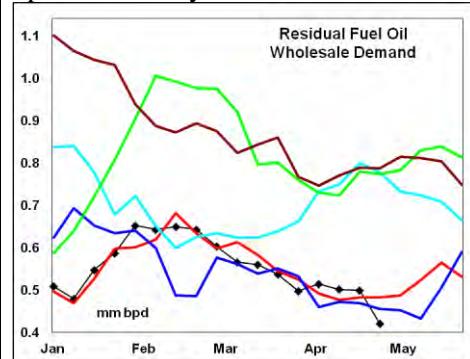
**Jet Fuel** demand decreased -101,000 bpd on the week, a level above the last

2-years. The latest 4-wk average demand was +54,000 bpd above last year.

Supply increased +53,000 bpd, on a surge in production. Stocks decreased -0.2 million barrels, with the level at the low end of the 5-year range.

*The +127,000 bpd rise in production, and additional increase as refiners return from maintenance should drive a seasonal stock build for the balance of the quarter. Expect an improvement in the supply balance with a pull back in local market cash basis for most major markets.*

**Residual fuel oil** demand, including exports, decreased -120,000 bpd last week, with the 4-wk average +32,000 bpd above last year.



Supply (production + imports) decreased -81,000 bpd on higher production. The latest 4-wk average supply was -48,000 bpd below a year ago. Stocks increased +1.4 million barrels, to a level at the low end of the historic range.

*Residual fuel oil imports were 450,000 bpd last week, marginally below production of 575,000 bpd. The residual oil market is composed of high sulfur domestic output, largely exported; and low sulfur product consumption which depends on imports. Each product grade has tightened as indicated by low stock levels and a high level of imports.*



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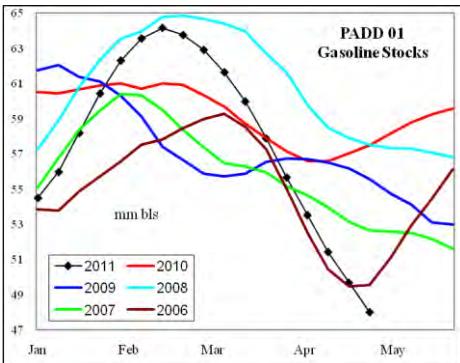
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#### PADD Supply Trends

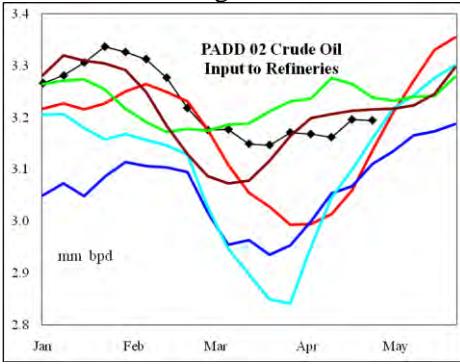
**PADD 1** refinery crude oil runs increased +60,000 bpd last week, with the level -303,000 bpd below last year.

Gasoline production increased +193,000 bpd on the week, while imports were +16,000 bpd higher. Import levels were above the last 2-years for the week, and at the highest level of this year. Stocks declined -1.7 million barrels, to a record low level.



Distillate supply increased +81,000 bpd on increased production and imports. Stocks declined -0.6 million barrels to level well below each of the last 2-years.

Jet fuel stocks increased +0.6 million barrels last week, to a level below the mid range.



**PADD 2** crude oil refinery runs increased +34,000 bpd last week, to a level above the last 3-years. Crude oil stocks were unchanged, including a +0.1 million barrel build in Cushing. Imports spiked +0.4 million bpd to a new record high level.

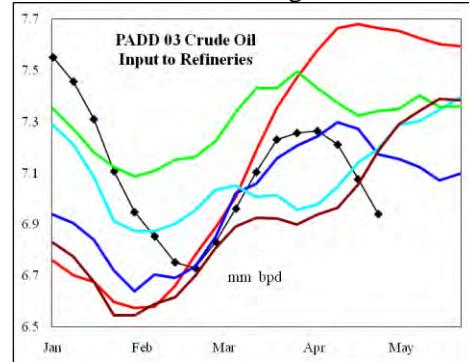
Gasoline production jumped +213,000 bpd on the week, to a level above the mid range. Stocks were nearly unchanged on the week, at a

level near historic lows.

Distillate production decreased -71,000 bpd on the week, to a level below the last 3-years. Stocks decreased -0.9 million barrels, a level still above four of the last 5-years.

Jet fuel production remains above the 5-year range. Stock levels were slightly above the last 3-years.

**PADD 3** crude oil runs declined -254,000 bpd last week. The latest 4-wk average thru put was -527,000 bpd below last year, and below the historic range. Crude imports fell -0.4 million bpd on the week, with the level well below the 5-year range. Stocks increased +4 million barrels, with the level below the mid range.



Gasoline production fell -183,000 bpd on the week, to a record low level for the year. Stocks were unchanged at a level below the mid range.

Distillate production climbed +125,000 bpd to a level above the historic range. Stocks increased +0.7 million barrels on higher production.

Jet fuel production increased +67,000 bpd on the week, to a level above the mid range. Stocks fell -0.8 million barrels to a level below the historic range.

Residual fuel oil supply increased +111,000 bpd on the week, driven by high imports. Stock levels were at the upper end of the historic range.

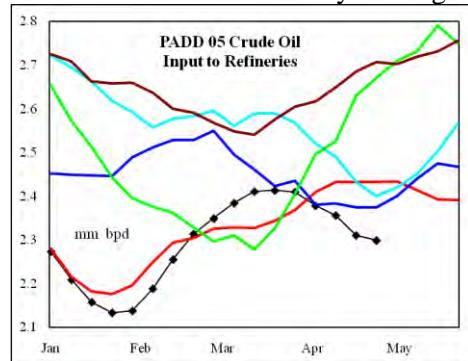
**PADD 4** refinery crude runs increased +51,000 bpd on the week, with the level now above the mid range. Light product yields were near record low levels. Crude oil stock levels were near the prior 2-years.

Gasoline production increased

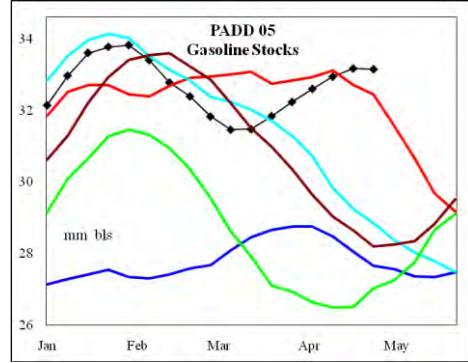
+23,000 bpd, with the level well below the 5-year range. Stock levels were above four of the last 5-years.

Distillate production increased +21,000 bpd, to a level above the 5-year range. Stock levels were slightly above 5-year highs for the period.

**PADD 5** crude oil refinery runs fell increased +93,000 bpd on the week, with the level still below each of the last 3-years. The latest 4-wk average thru put was -100,000 bpd below last year. Crude oil imports fell -266,000 bpd, leading to a -0.3 million barrel stock draw. Stock levels were -0.6 million barrels below the 5-year range.



Gasoline production decreased -80,000 bpd on the week, a level below the mid range. Stocks increased +0.6 million barrels, to a record high for the period.



Distillate supply increased +57,000 bpd on the week, with both production and imports higher. Production levels were below the 5-year range, partially offset by near record imports. Stocks decreased -0.6 million barrels, although the level remains above the historic range.

Jet fuel supply matched 5-year lows, while stocks fell to near record lows.



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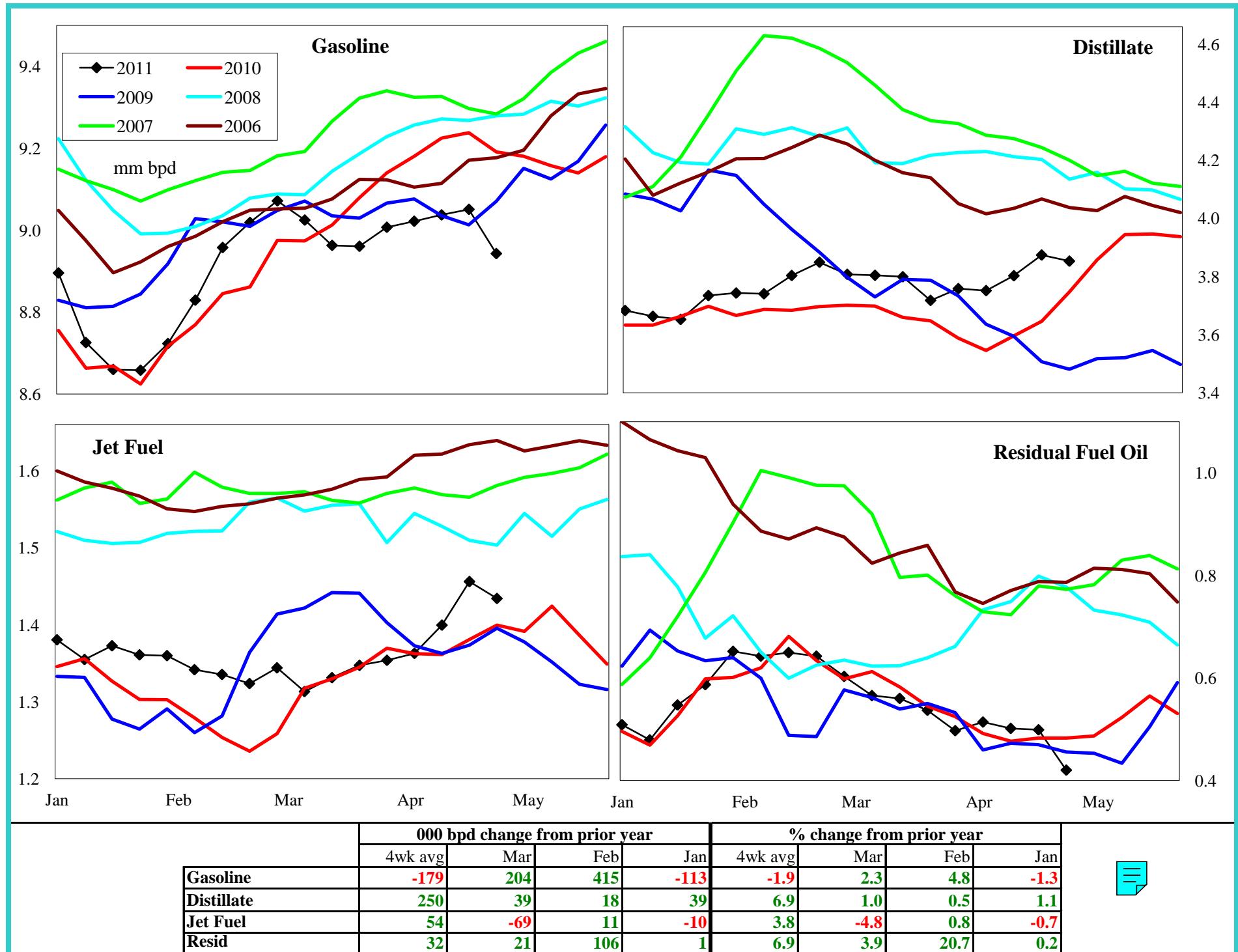
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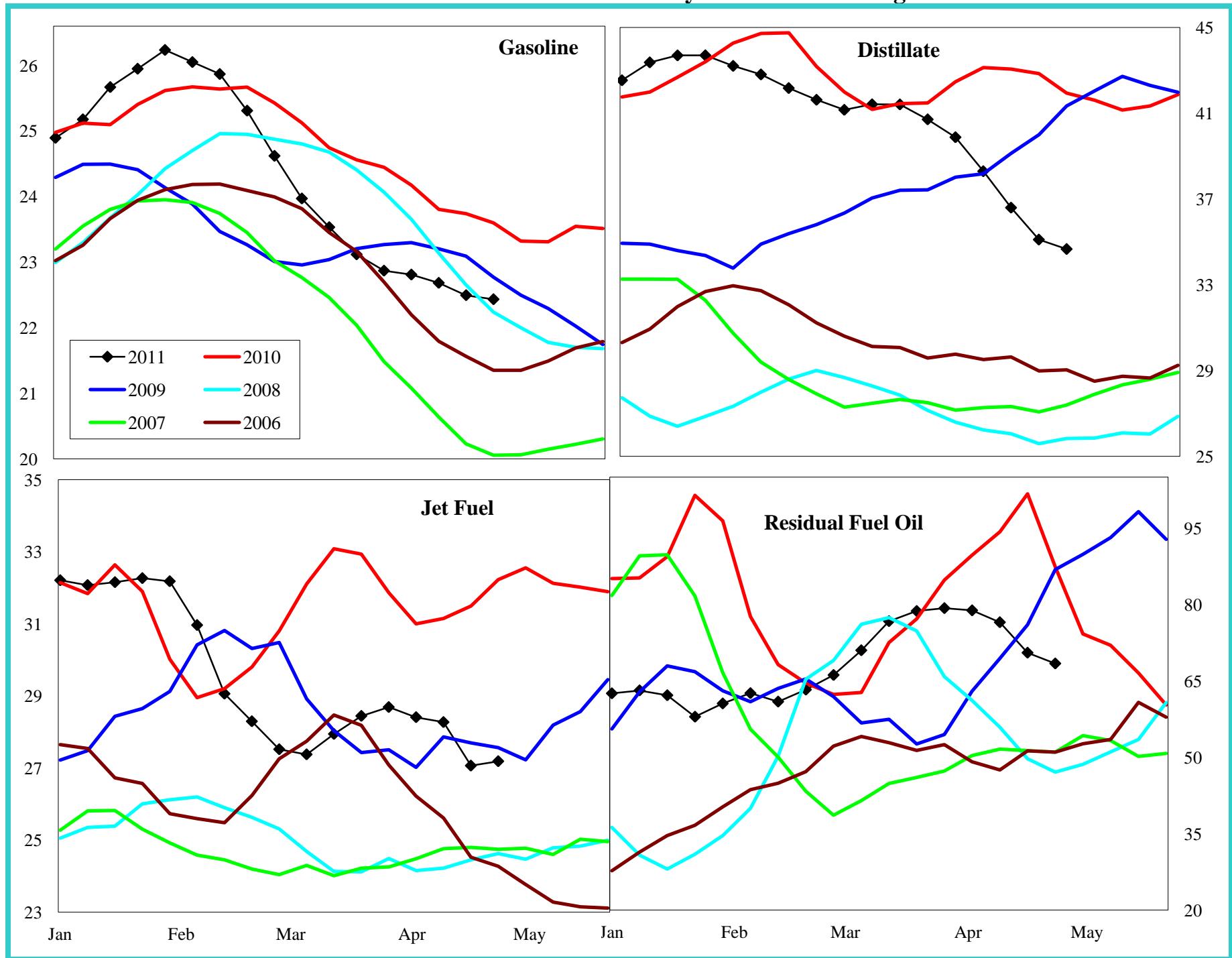
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Fundamental Trends	<u>Wholesale Demand</u>	<u>Stocks Days Fwd Coverage</u>	<u>Refinery Utilization</u>					<u>Imports</u>
Supply/Demand Trends	29-Apr-11	EIA-DOE CHANGE FROM PRIOR WEEK						
	000 bpd stocks 000 bls	U. S. Total	PADD					
<u>Crude Oil</u>	Stocks	3,421	-385	147	3,957	11	-310	
	Imports	-389	-156	354	-397	75	-266	
	Input	-18	60	34	-254	51	93	
	% Utilization	0.10						
<u>Gasoline</u>	Stocks	-1,046	-1,675	120	-25	-64	599	
	Production	-15	193	213	-183	23	-80	
	Imports	56	16	2	37	0	0	
	Supplied	-205						
<u>Distillate</u>	Stocks	-1,398	-614	-850	650	-22	-561	
	Production	138	55	-71	123	21	7	
	Imports	76	26	0	0	0	50	
	Supplied	156						
<u>Jet Fuel</u>	Stocks	-168	626	165	-759	86	-287	
	Production	127	29	-9	67	3	36	
	Imports	-74	-37	0	0	0	-37	
	Supplied	-101						
<u>Residual Fuel Oil</u>	Stocks	1,374	837	-68	347	-1	261	
	Production	96	9	-13	44	4	54	
	Imports	-15	20	1	67	0	-102	
	Supplied	-120						

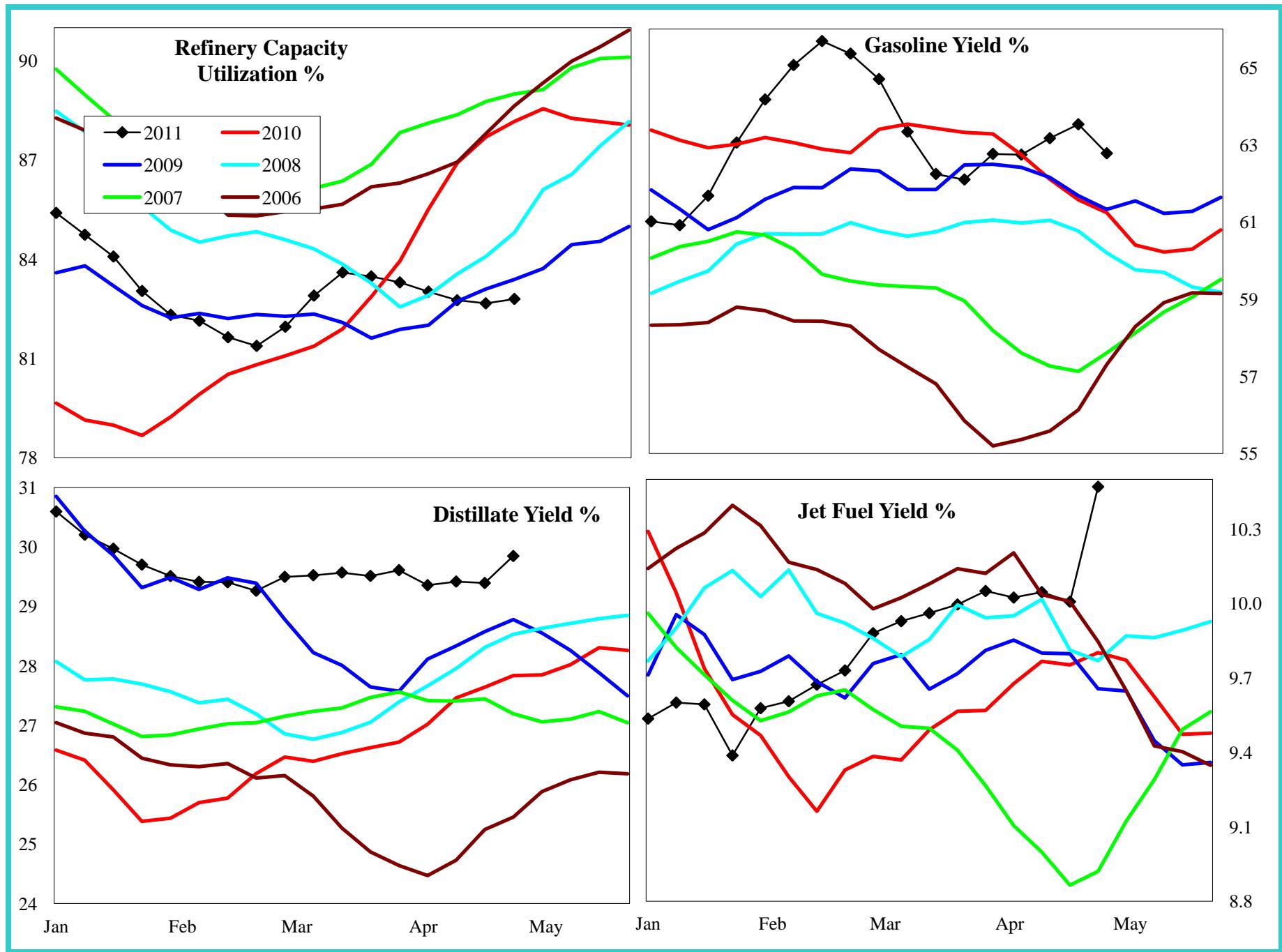
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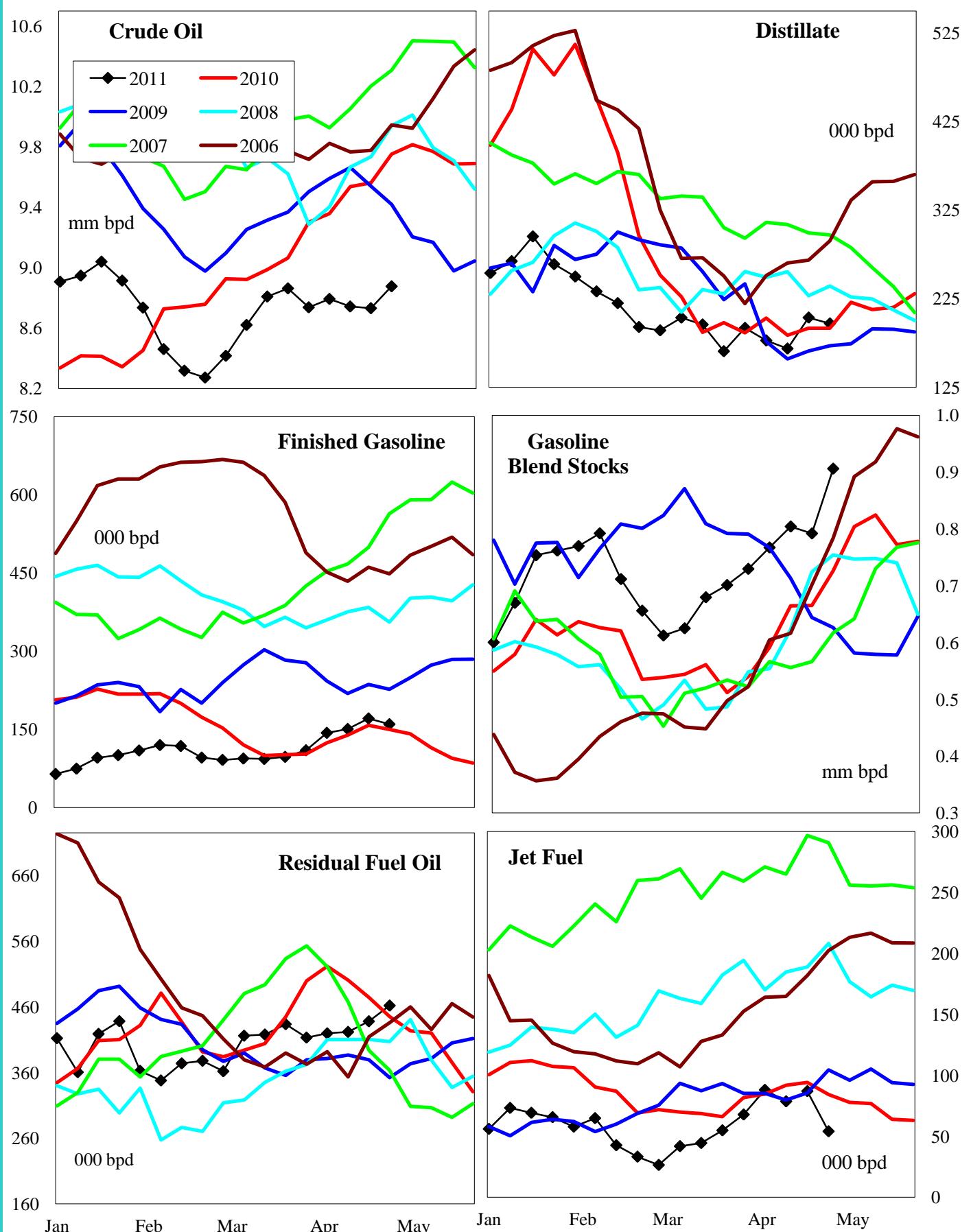
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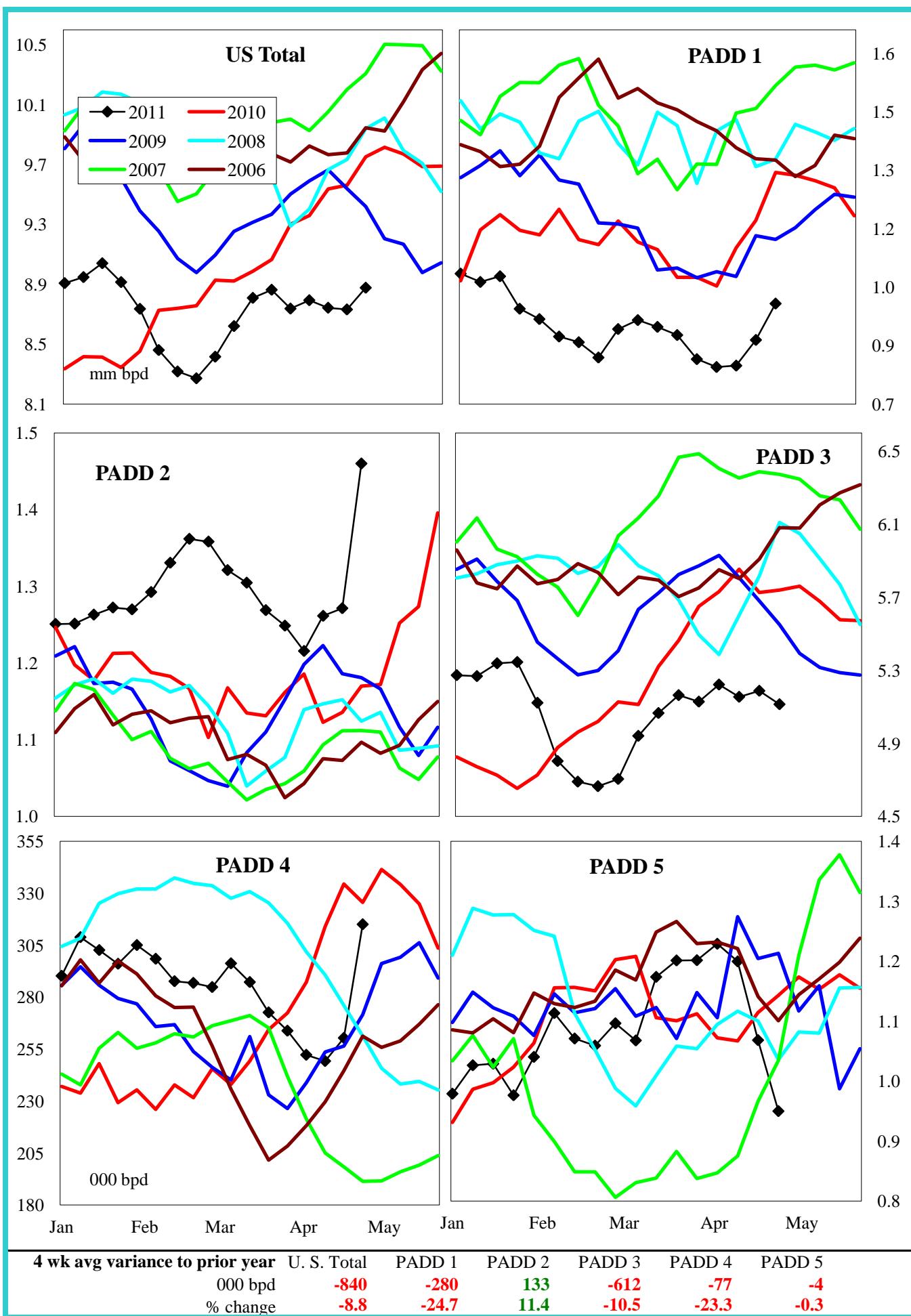


## United States Refinery Percent Utilization Rate and Product Yields

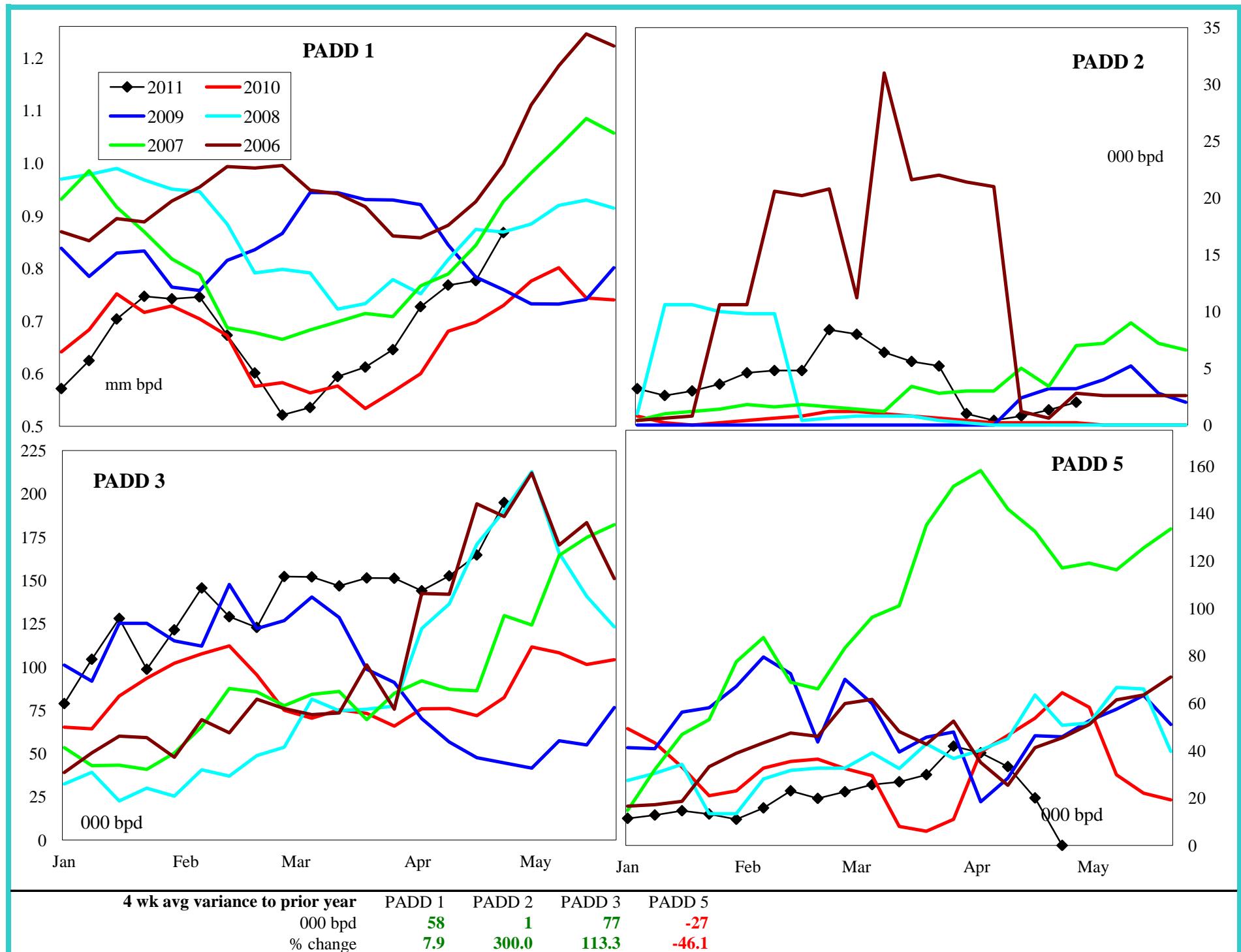


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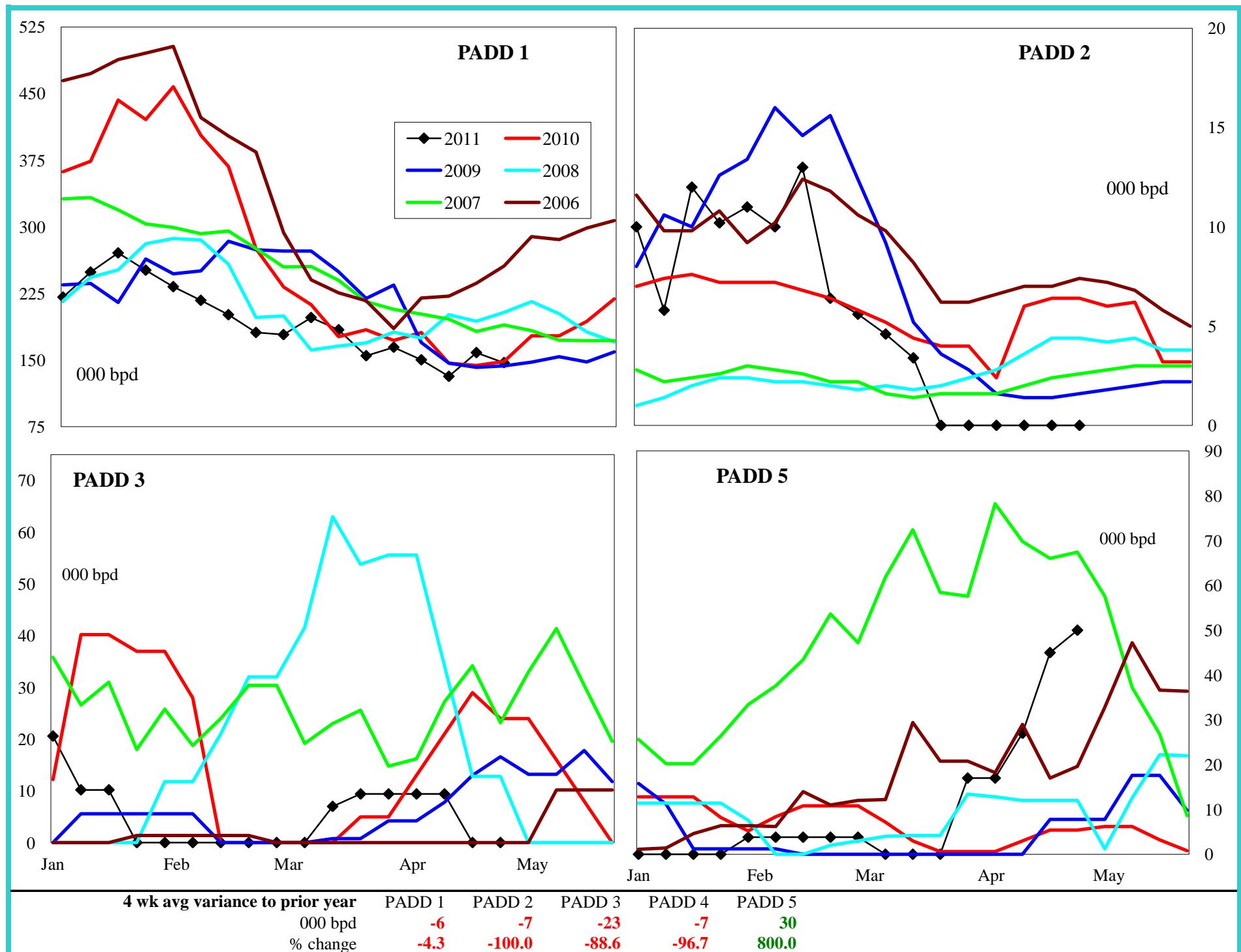

**4 wk avg variance to prior year**
**Crude Oil**
**Distillate**
**Fin Gas**
**Blend Gas**
**Residual**
**Jet Fuel**
**000 bpd**
**% change**
**-840**
**-14**
**11**
**99**
**-52**
**-19**
**-8.8**
**-7.0**
**6.9**
**13.8**
**-10.3**
**-18.6**

**Crude Oil Imports by PADD**

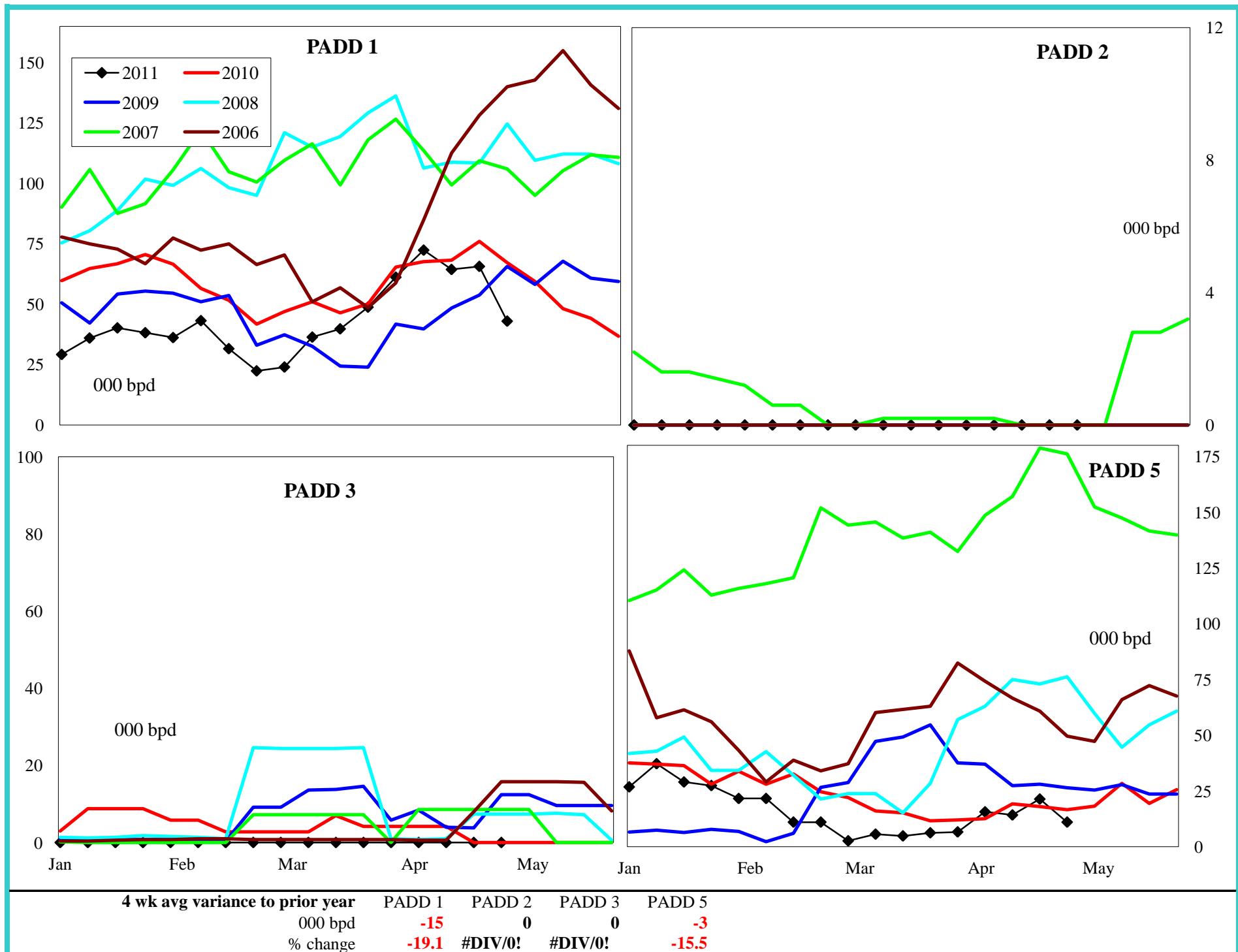
## Gasoline Imports by PADD (Finished + Blend Stocks)



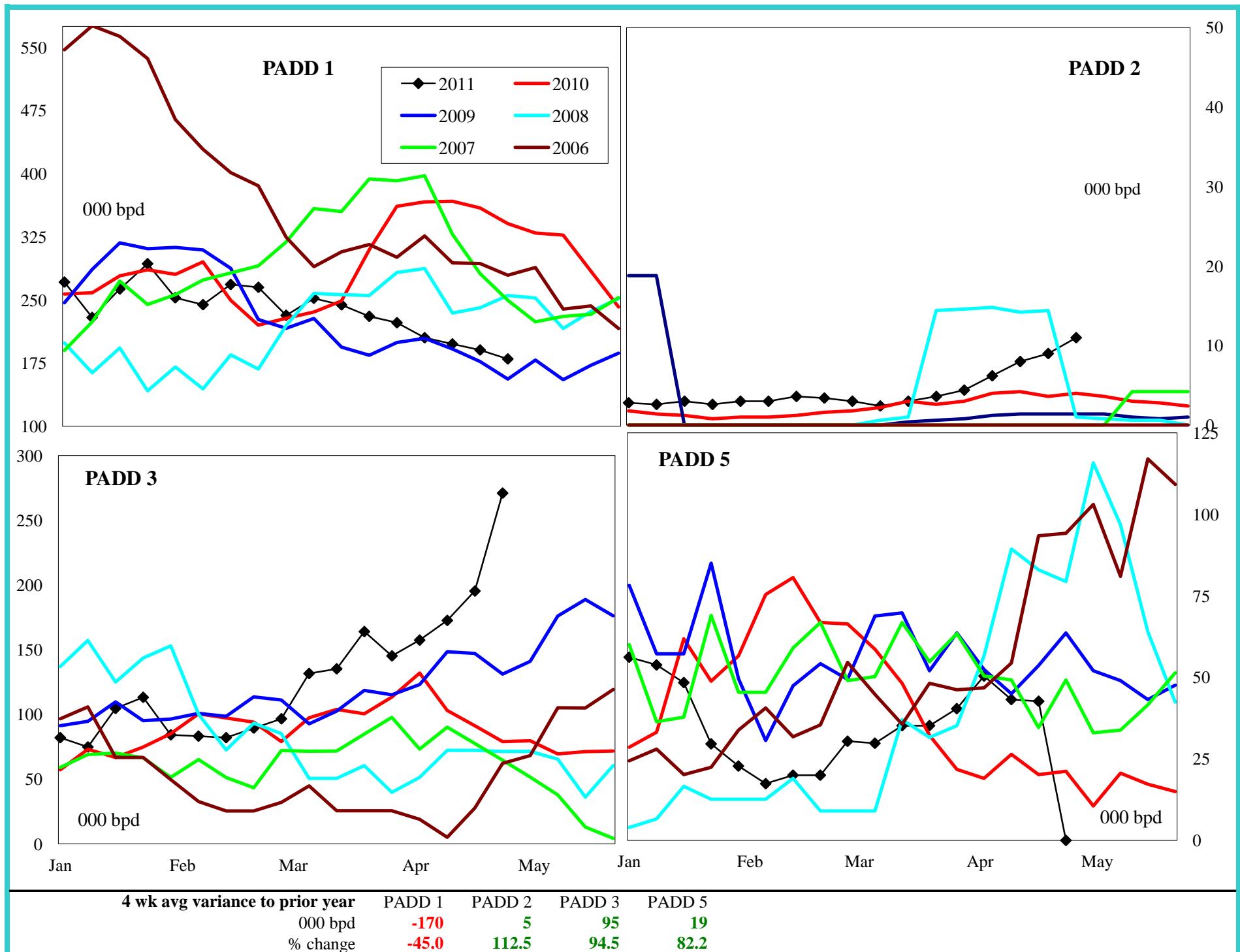
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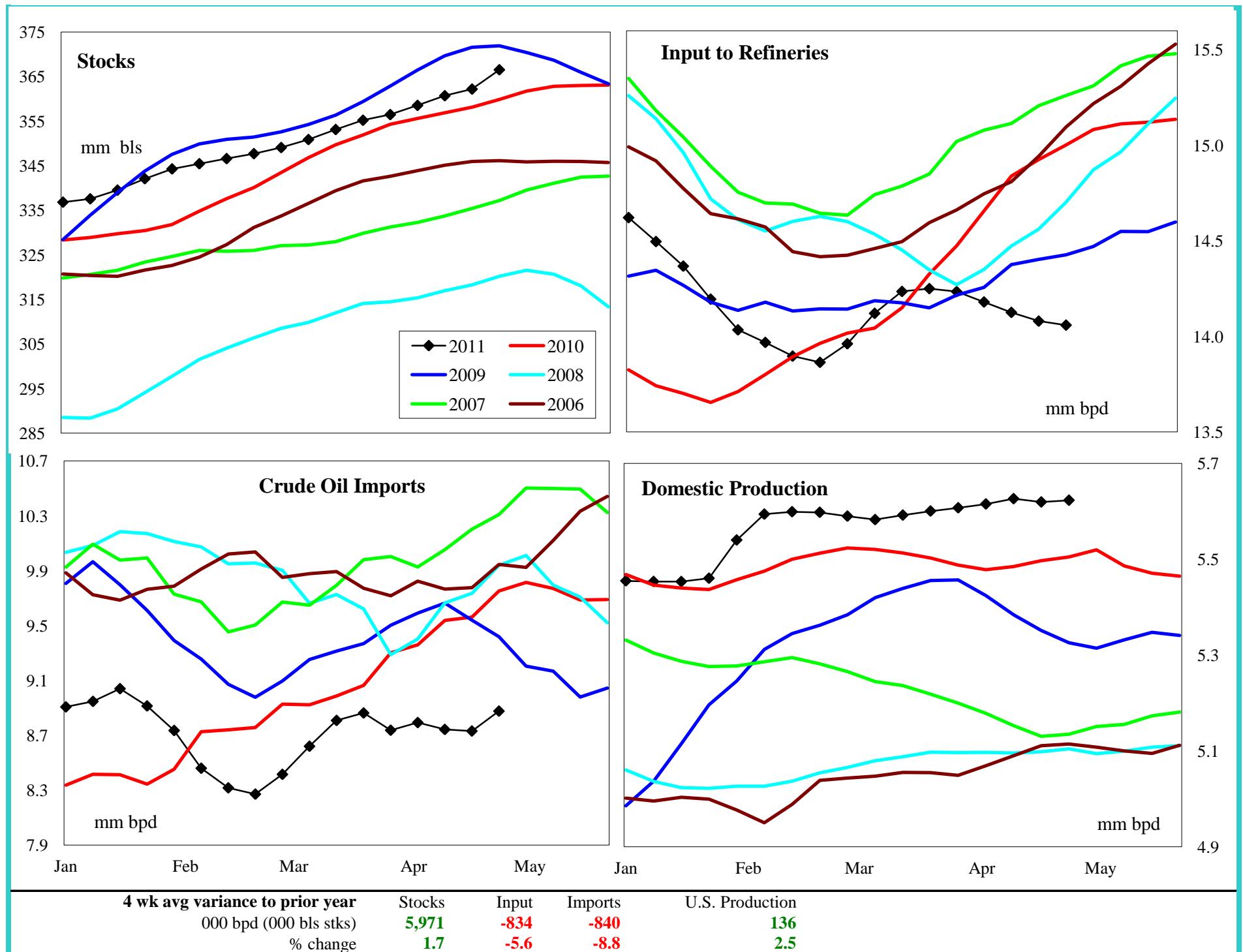
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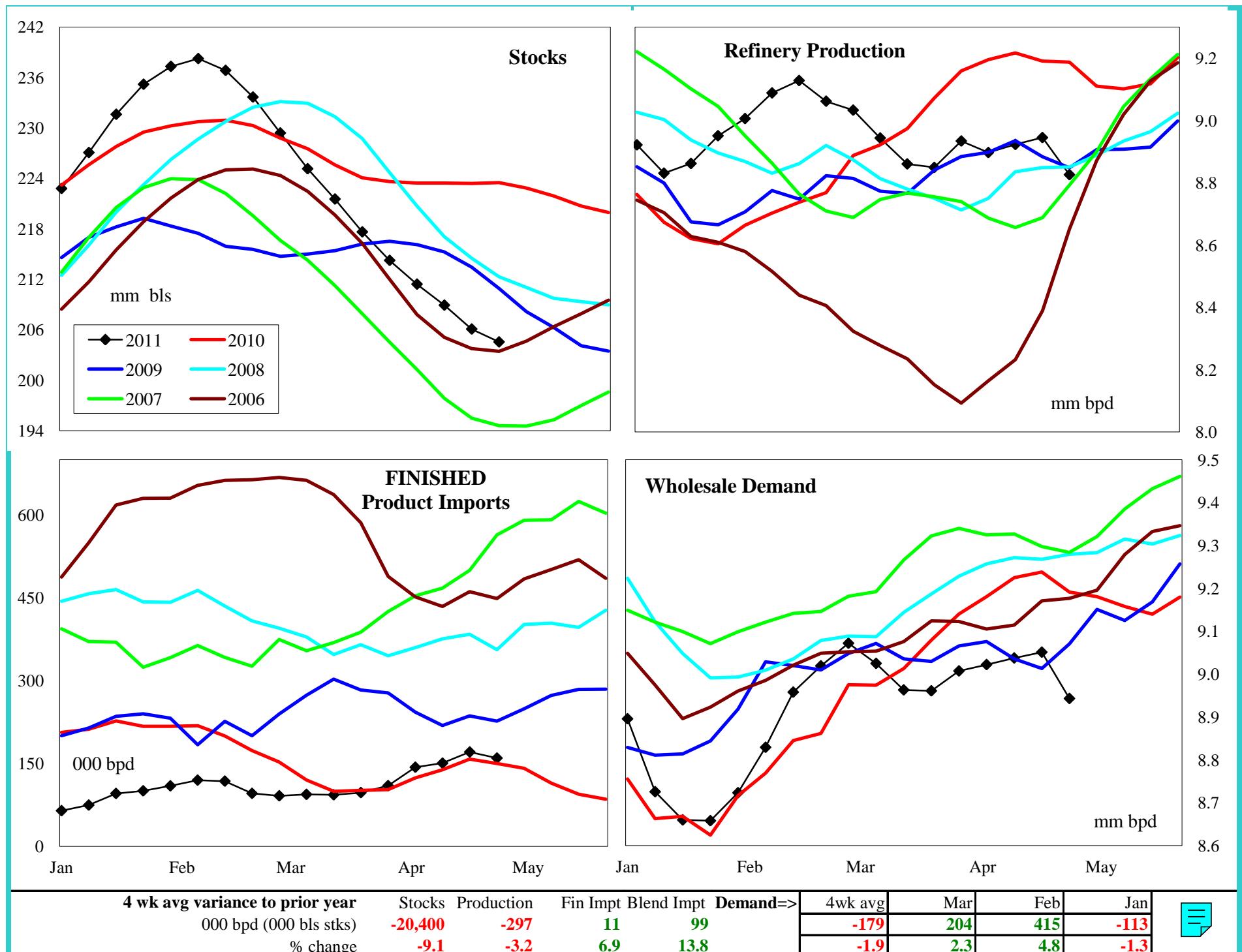
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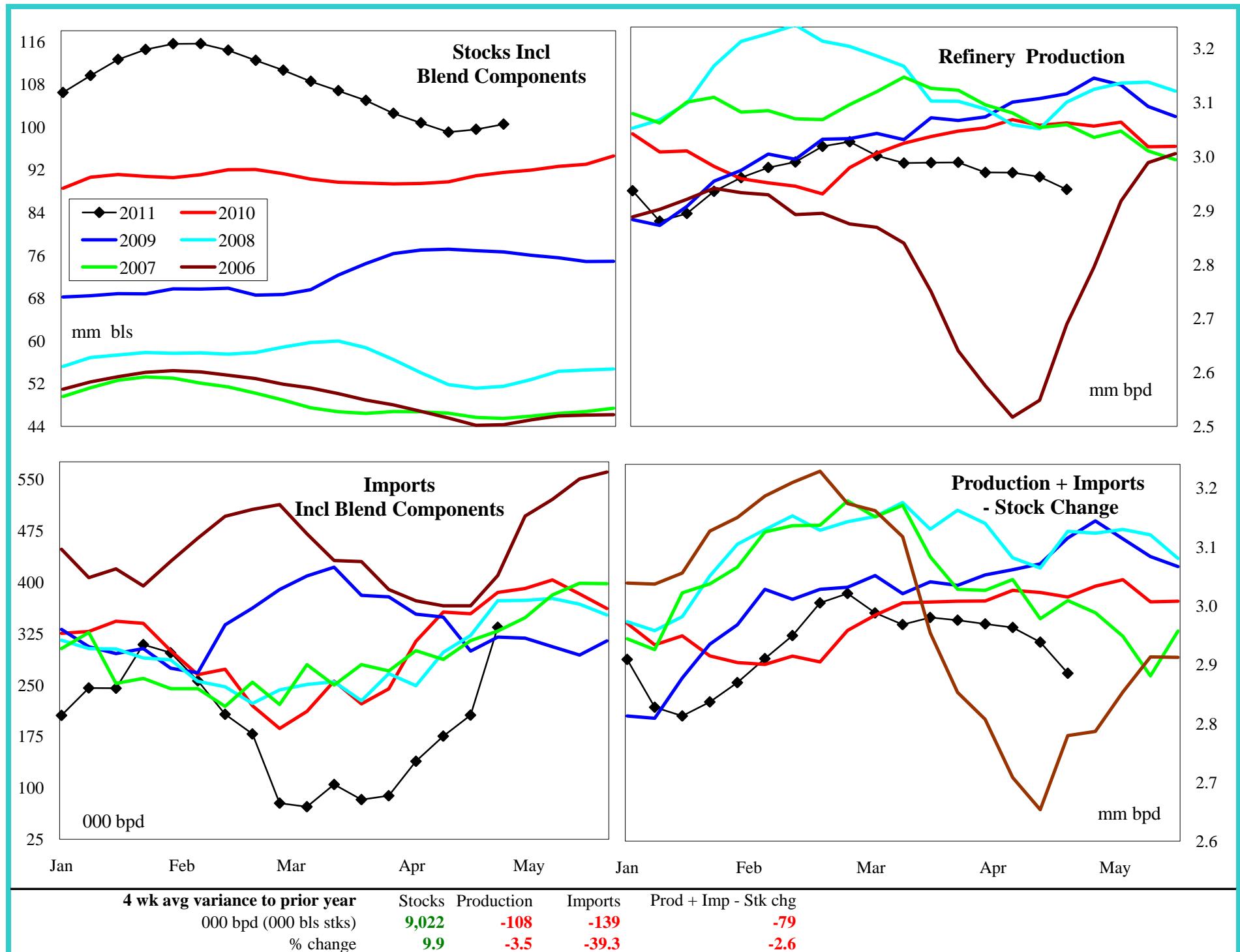
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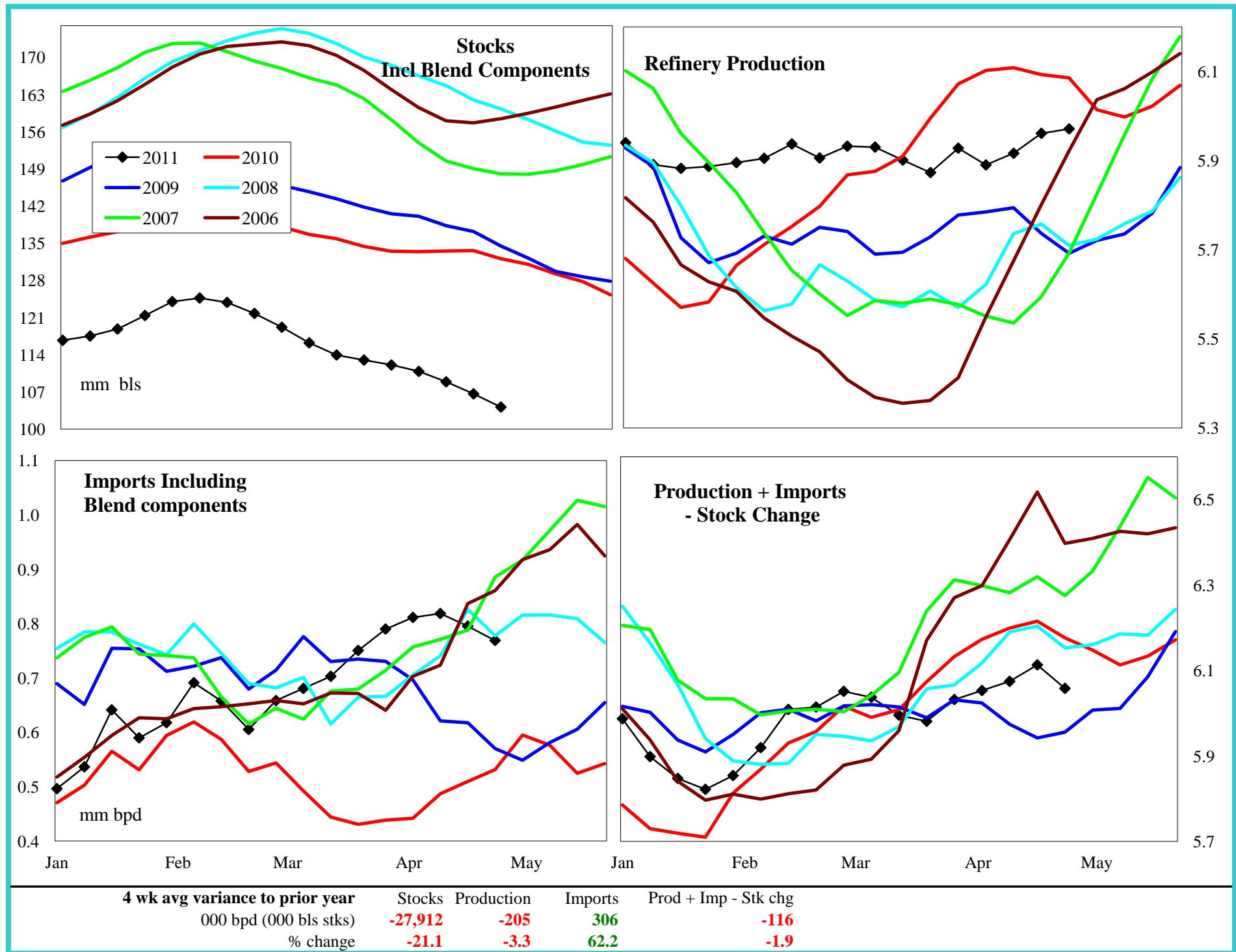
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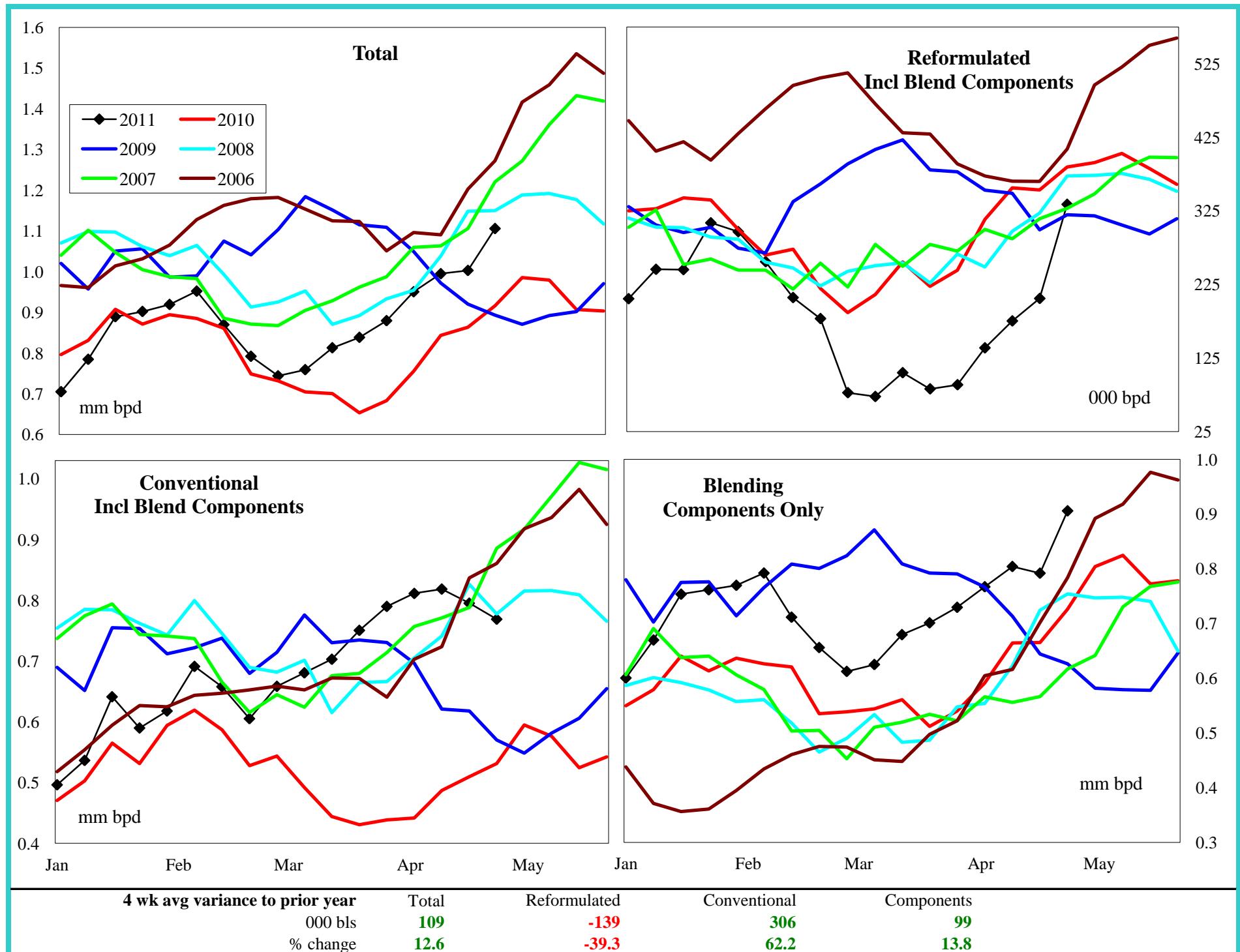
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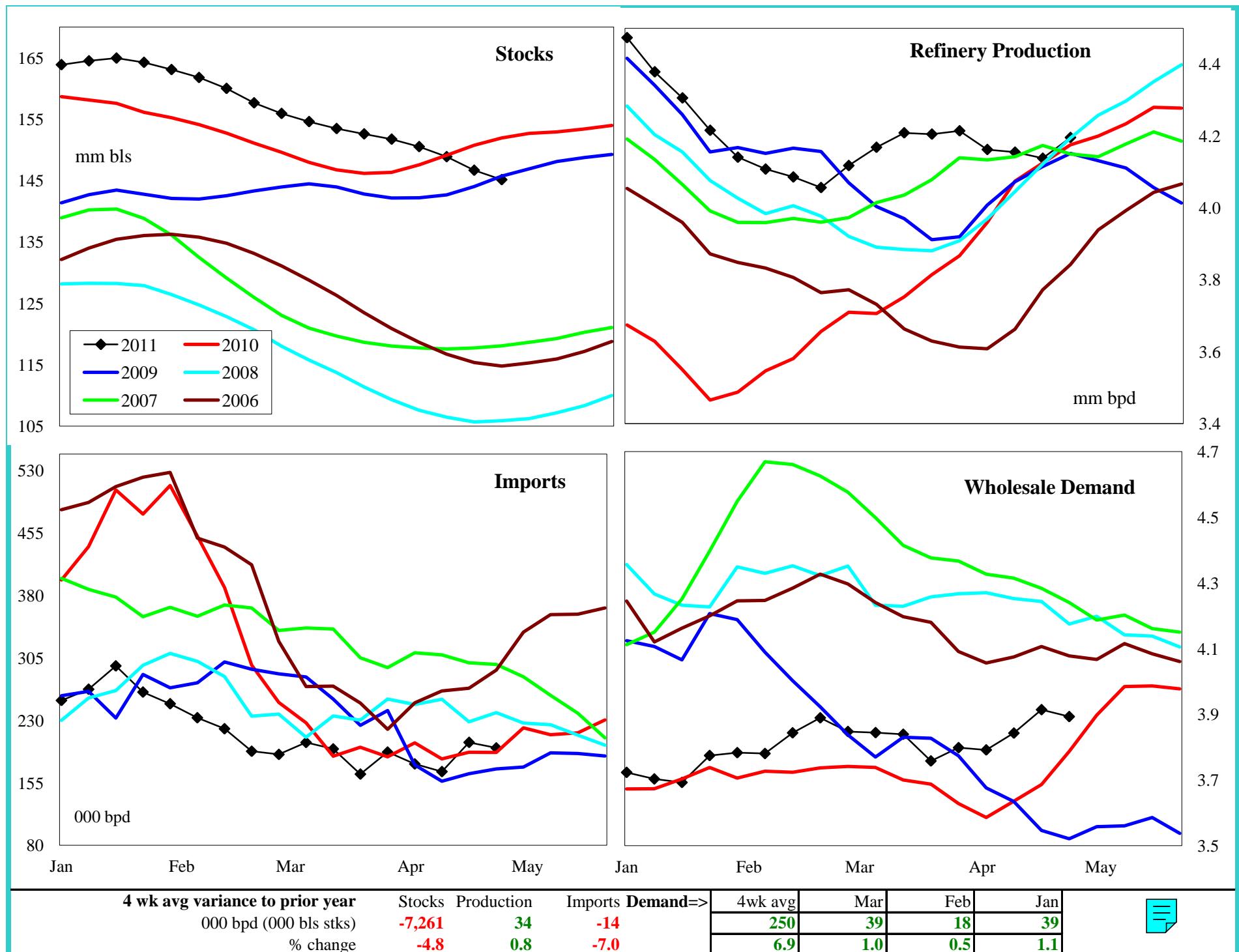
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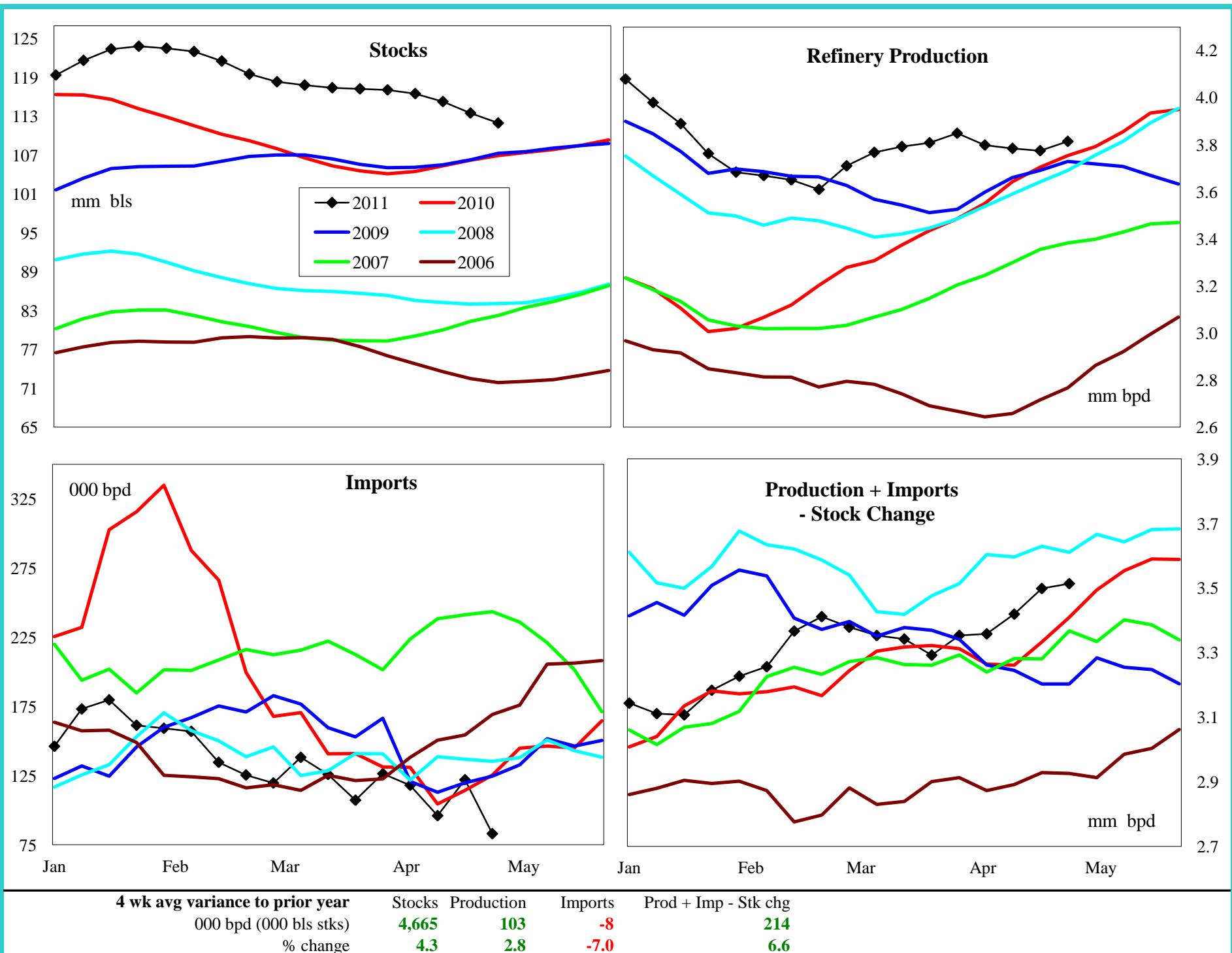
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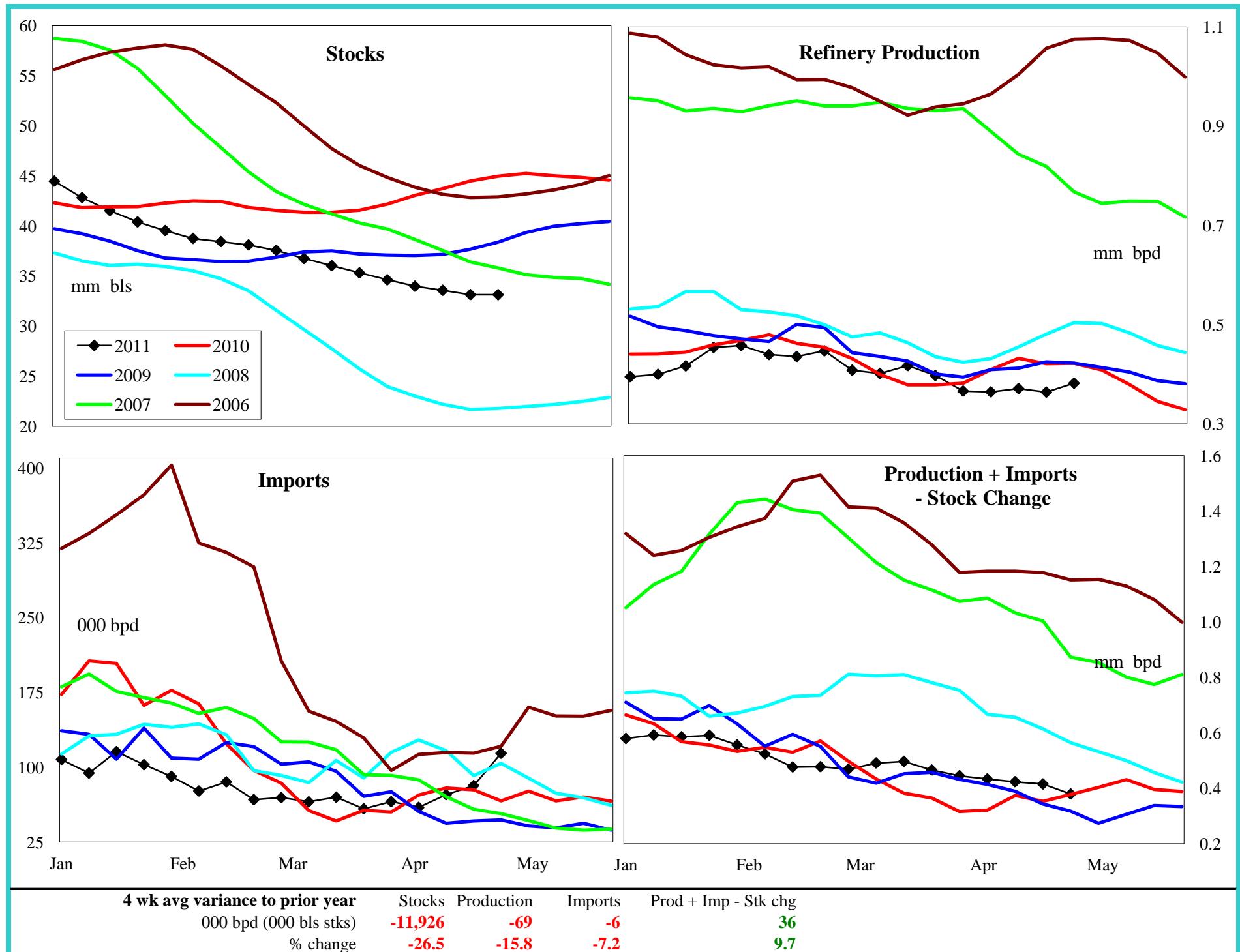
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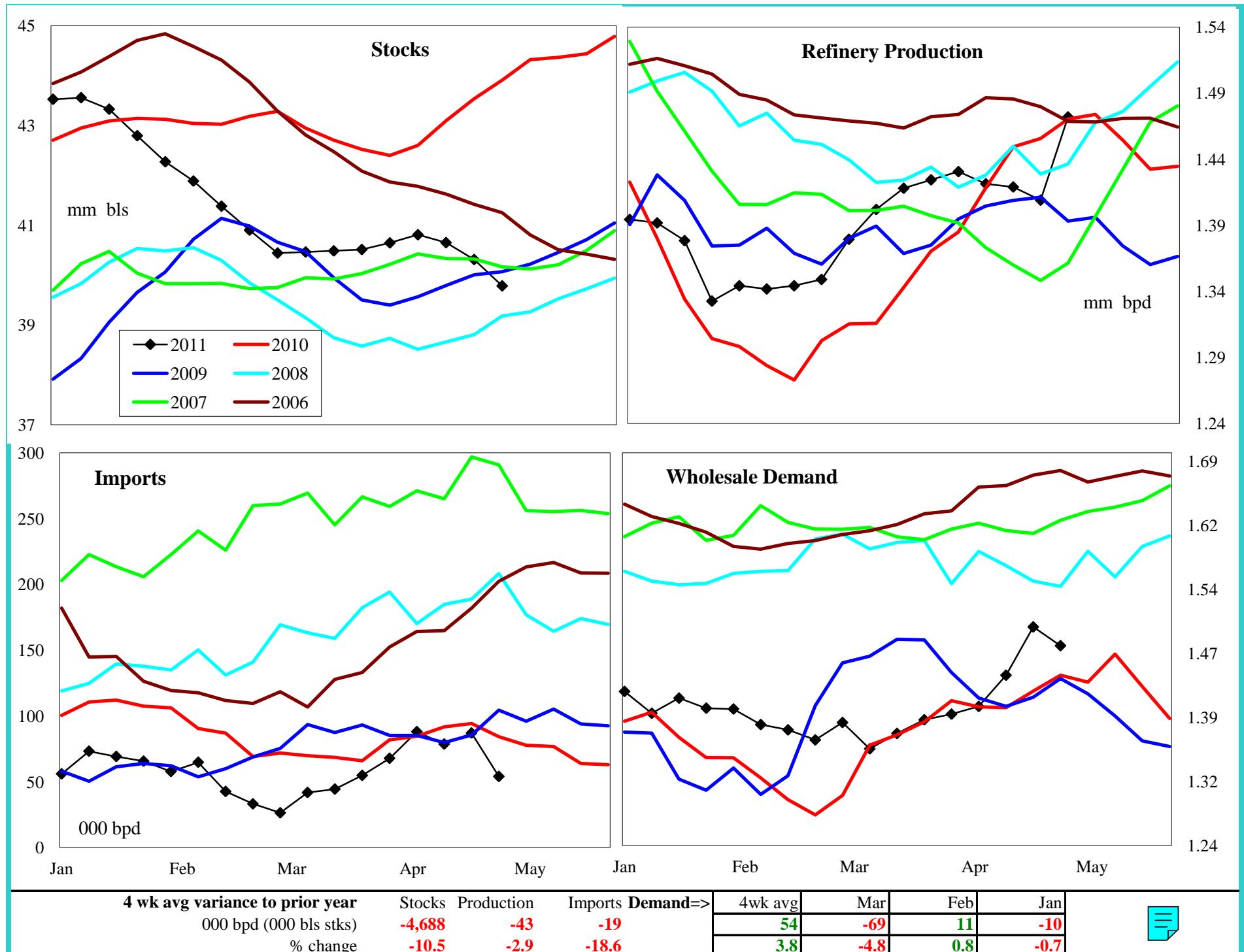
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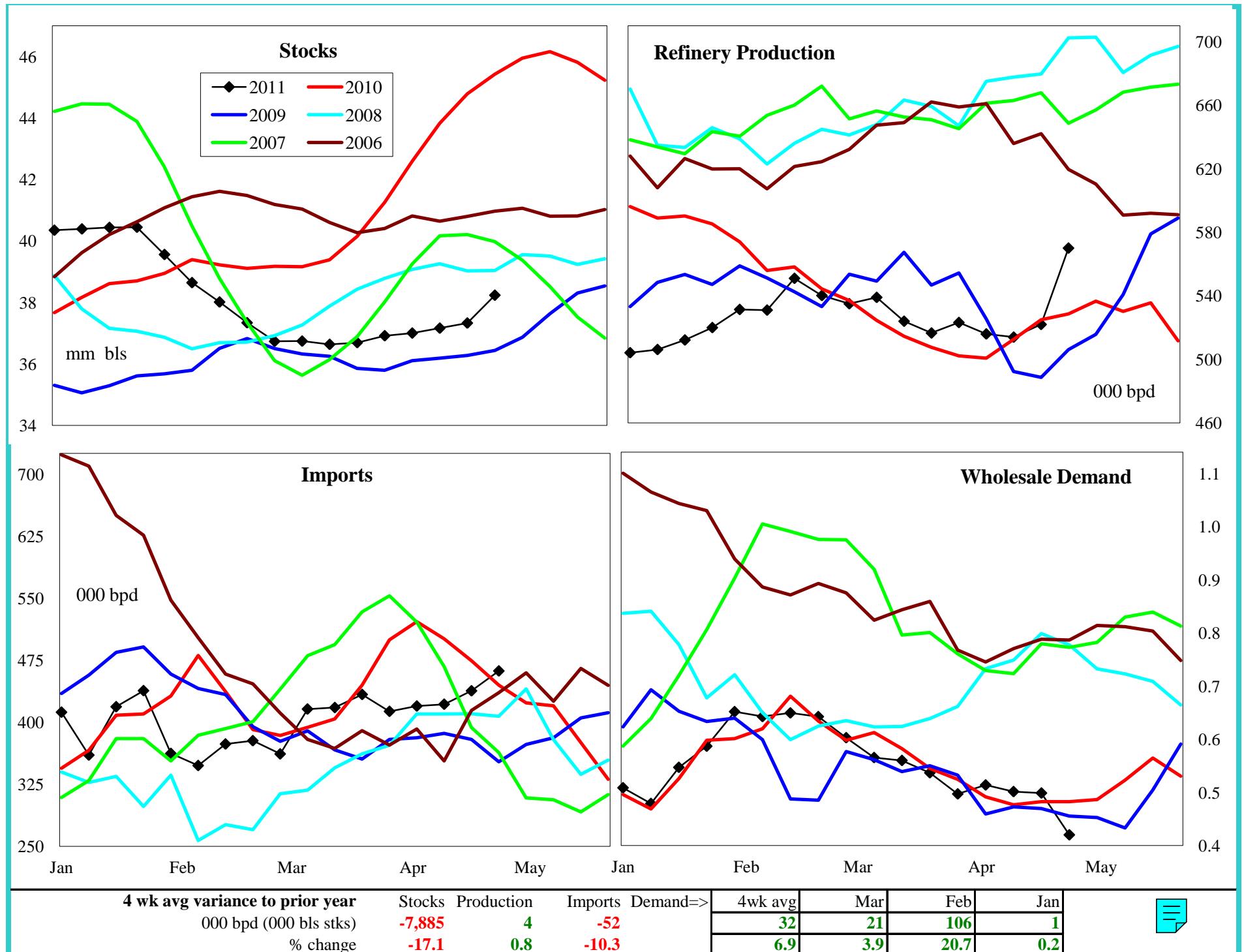
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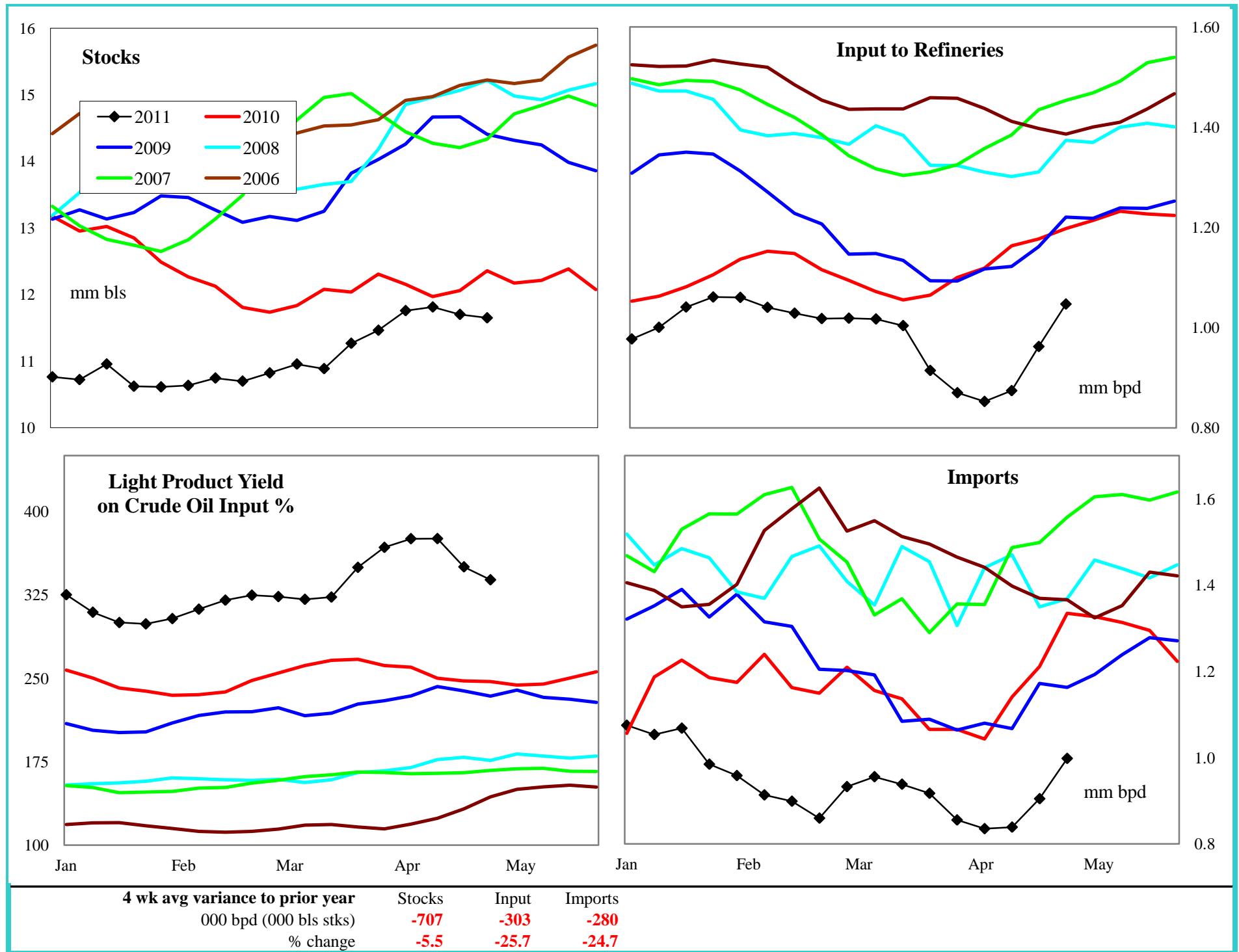
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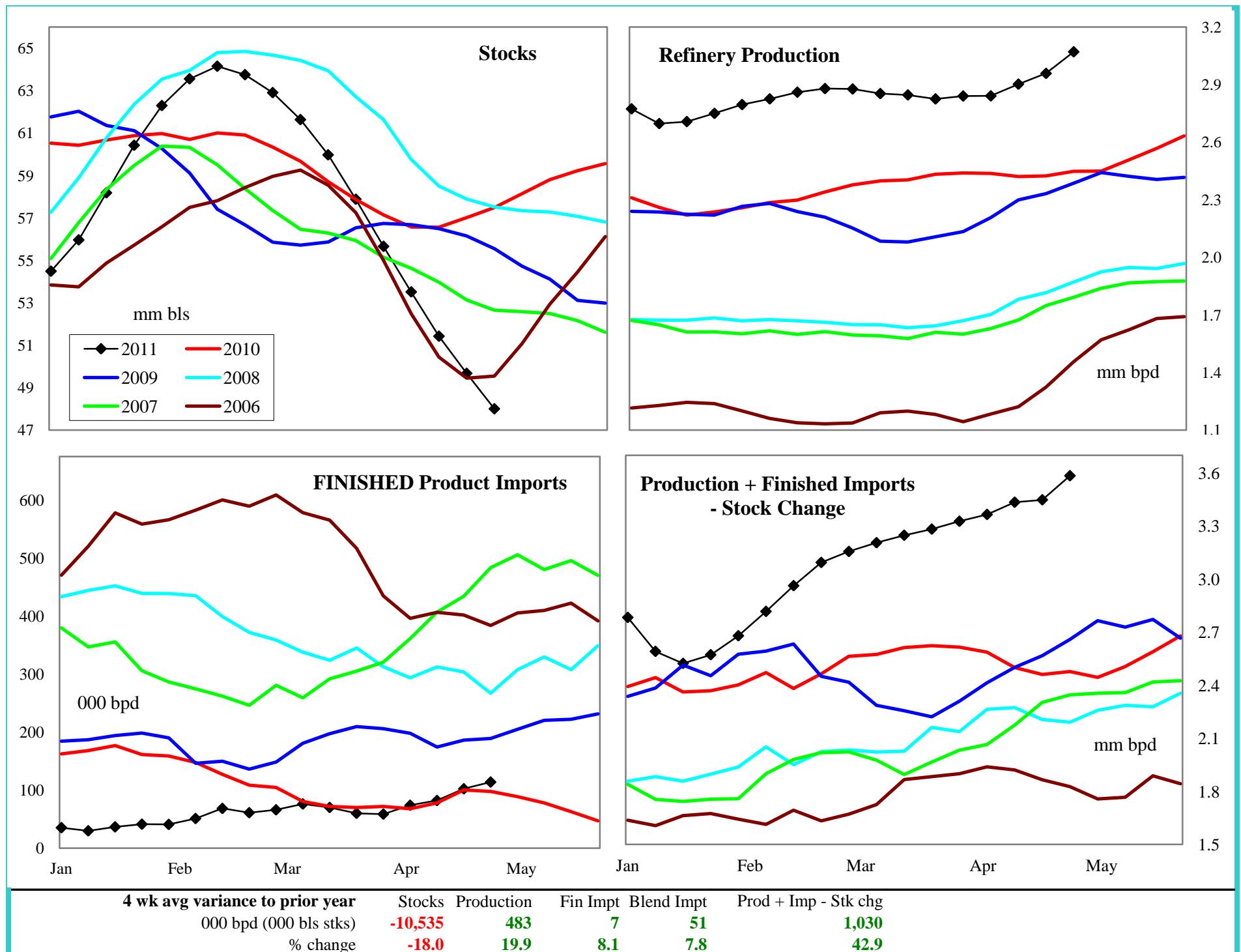


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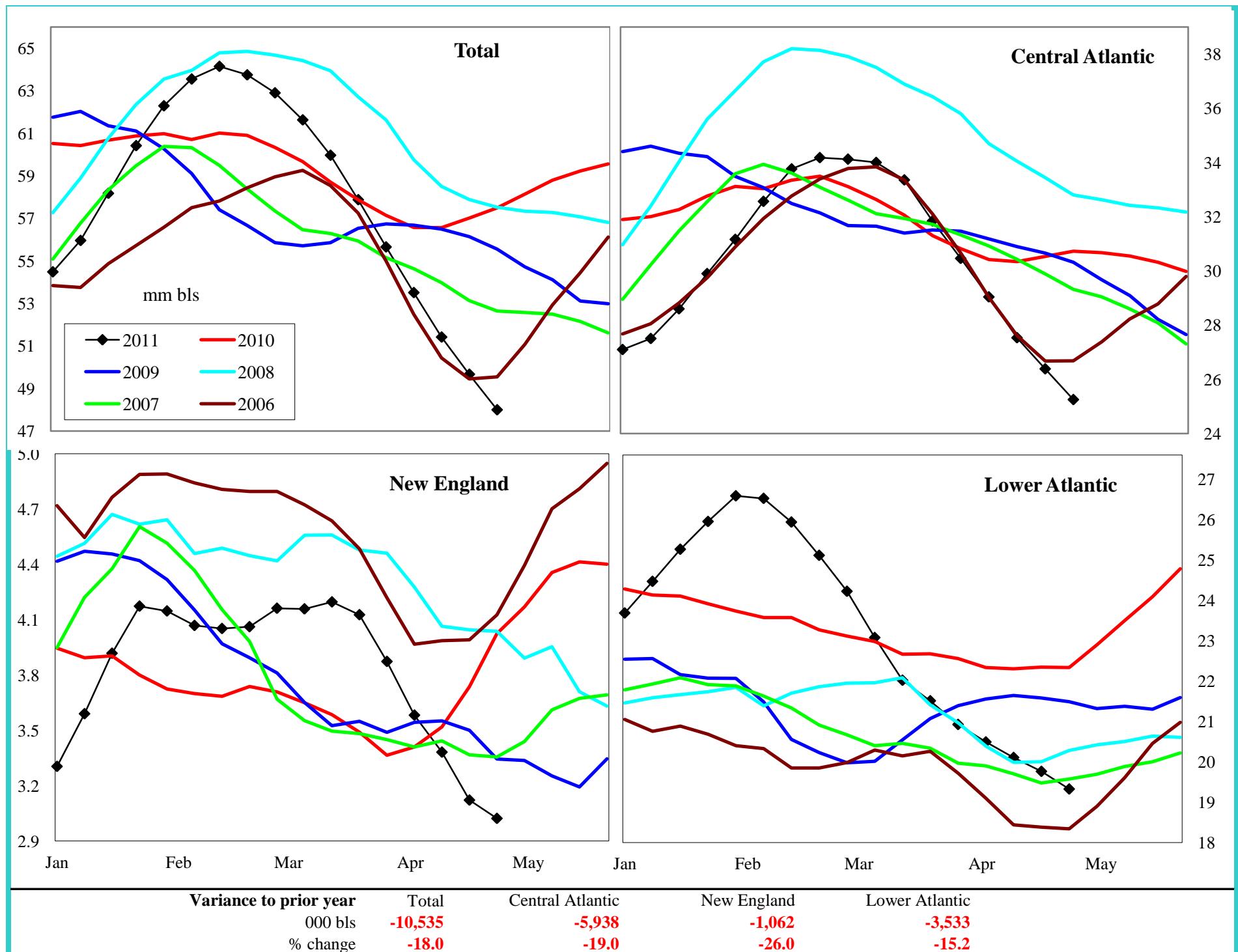


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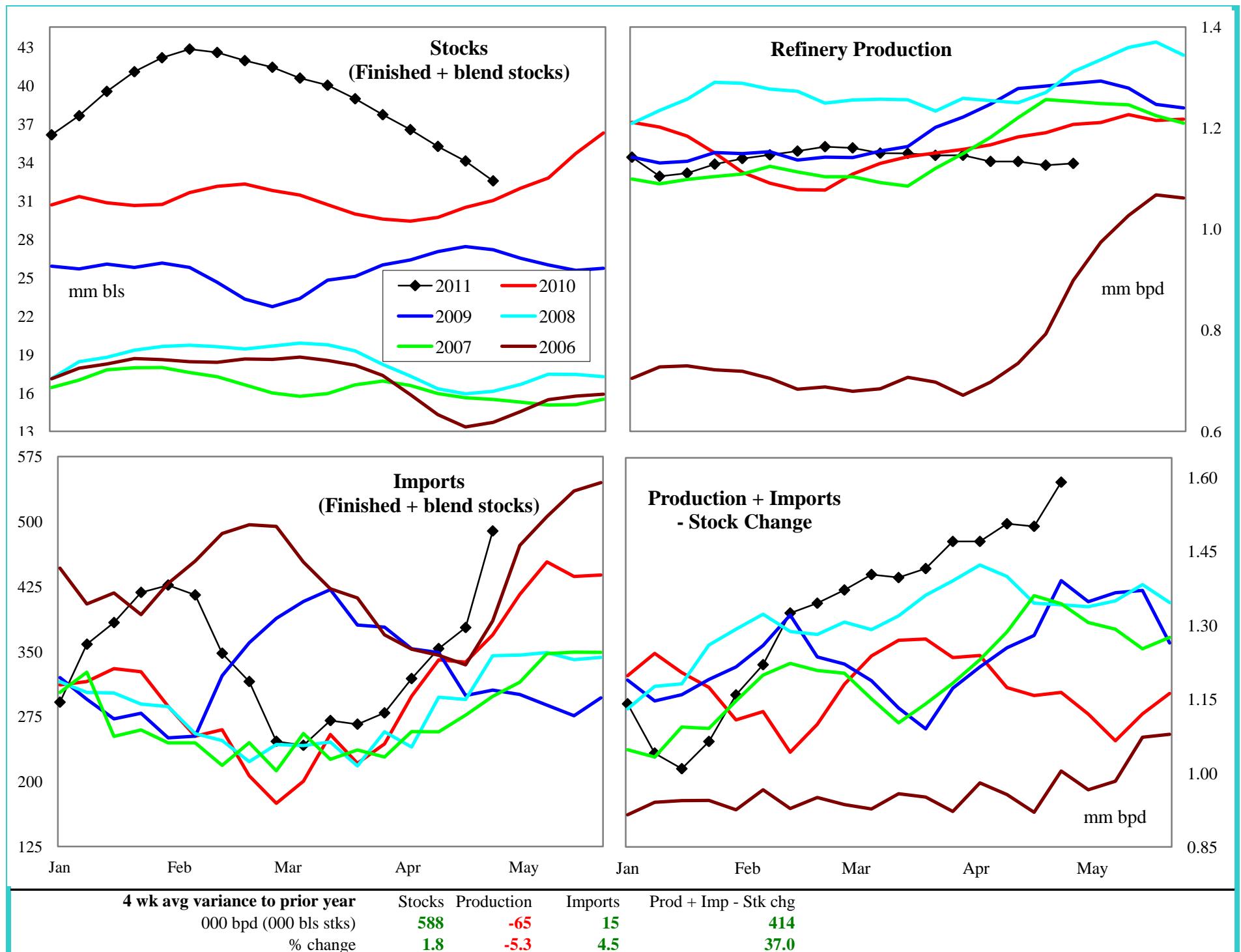


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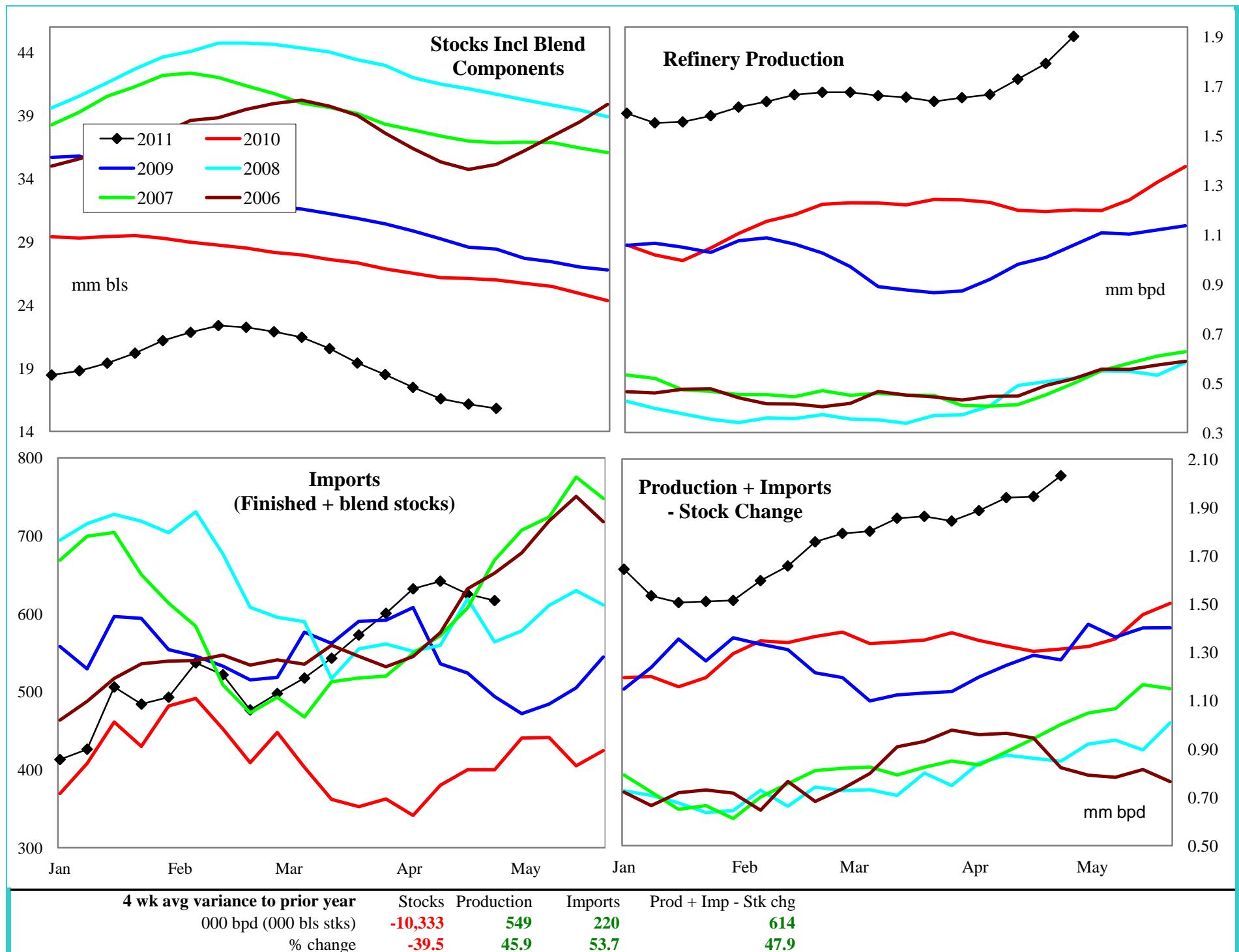
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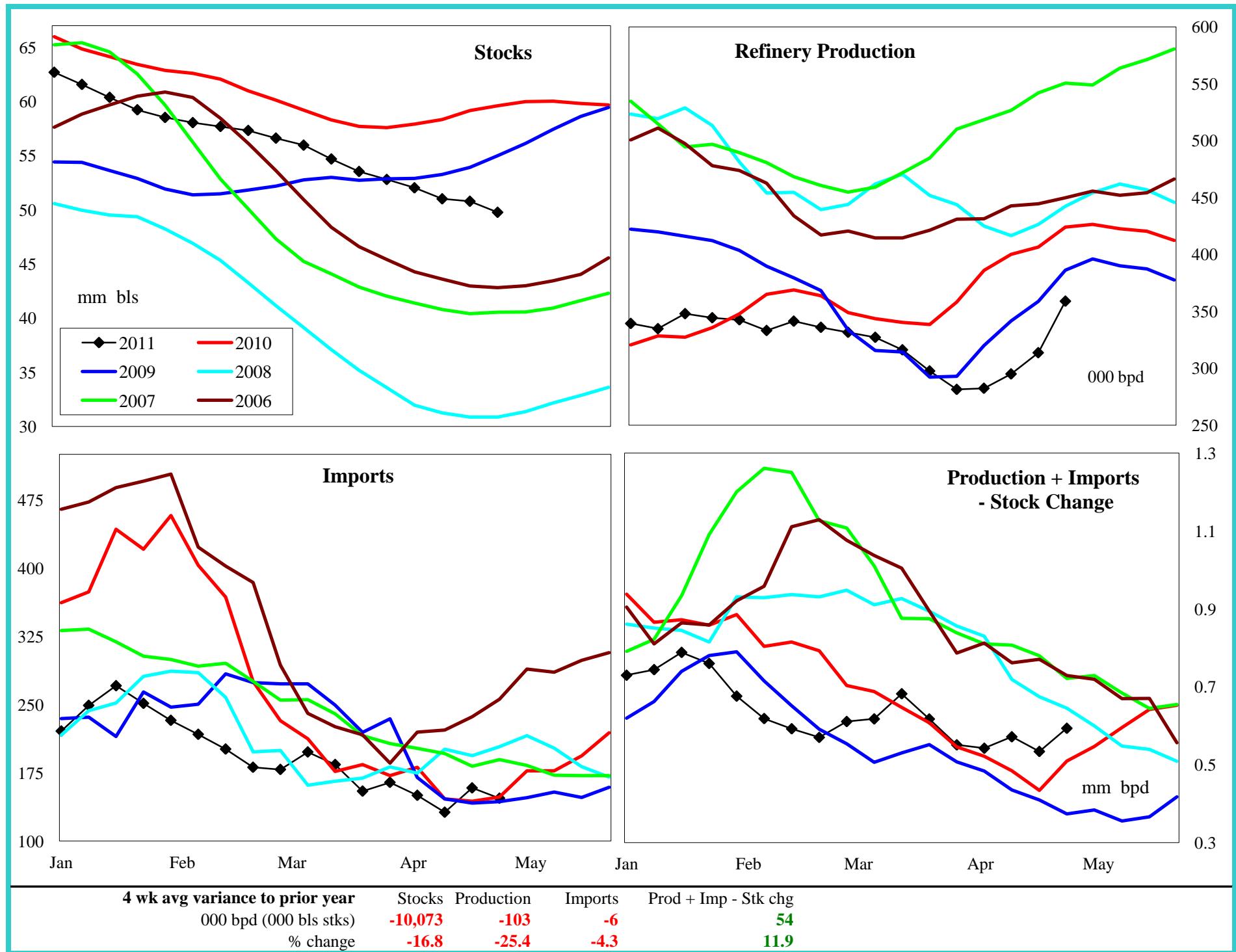


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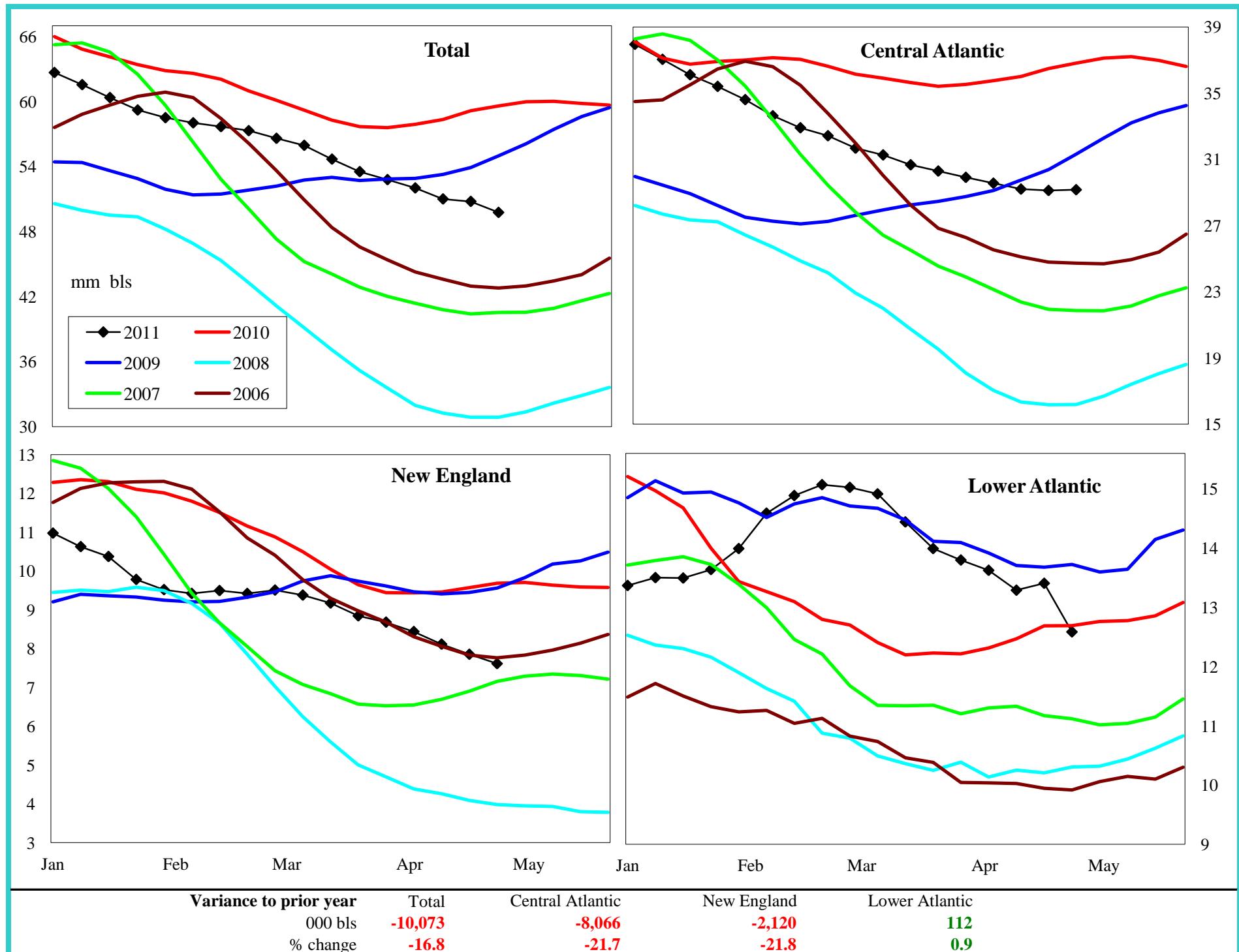


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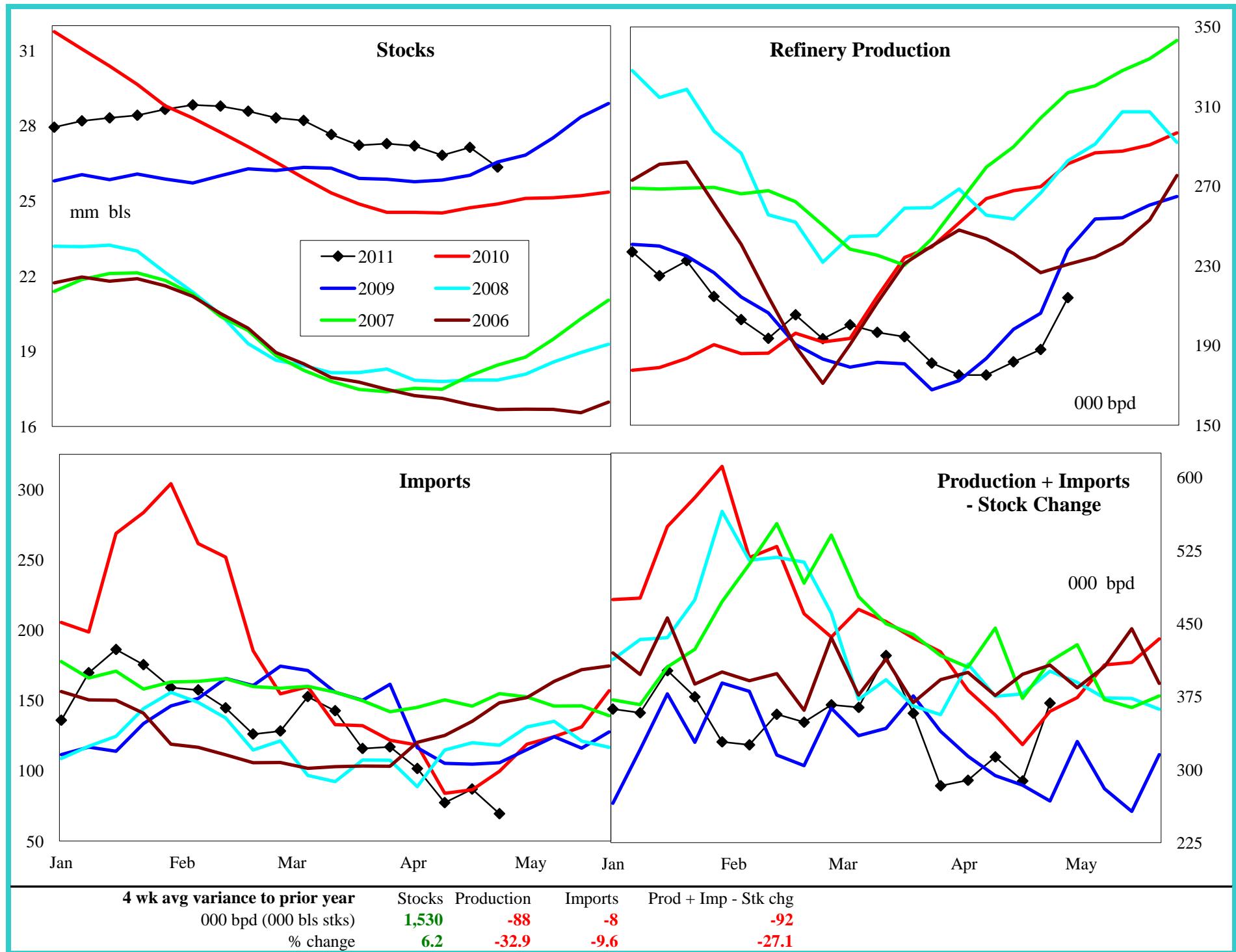


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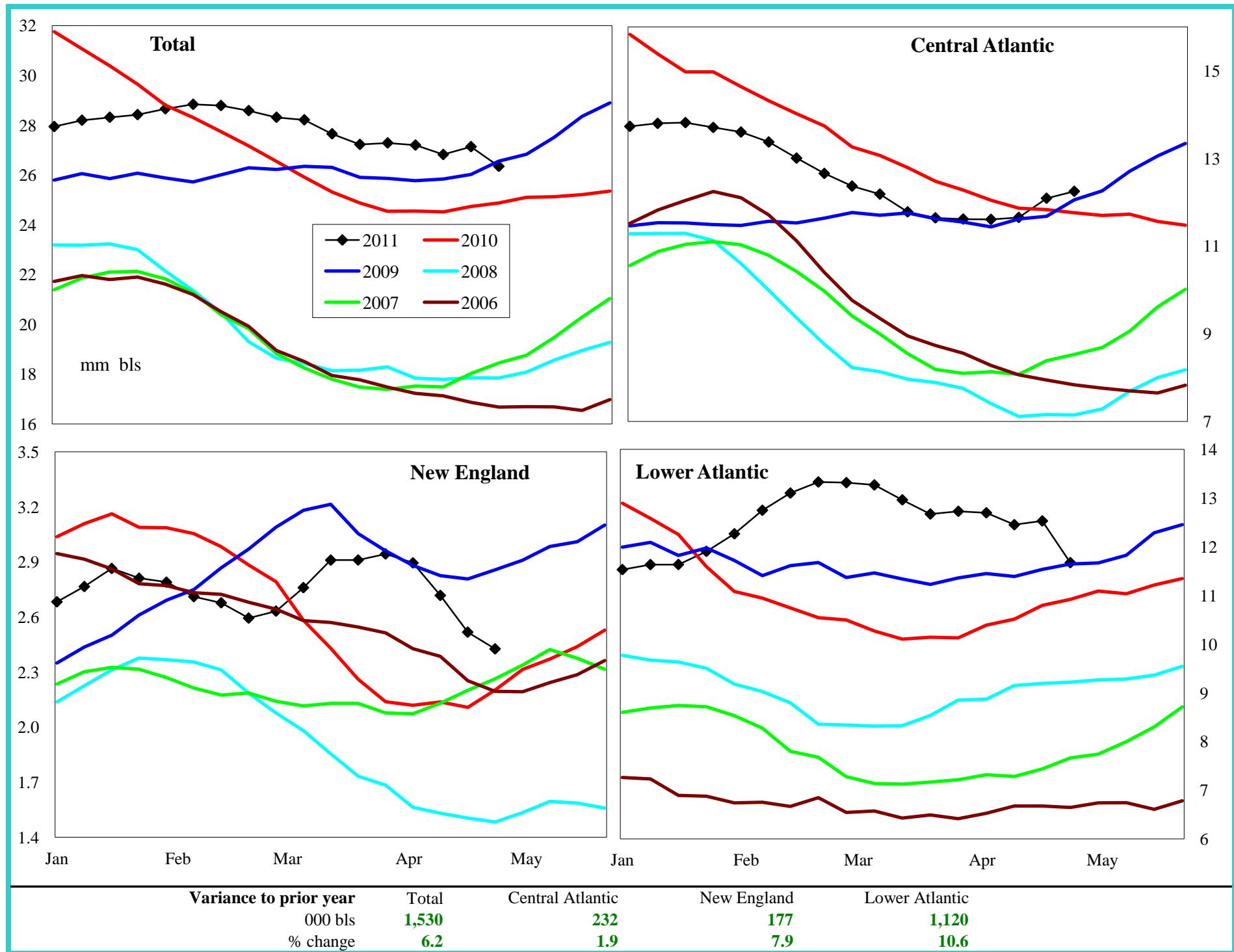
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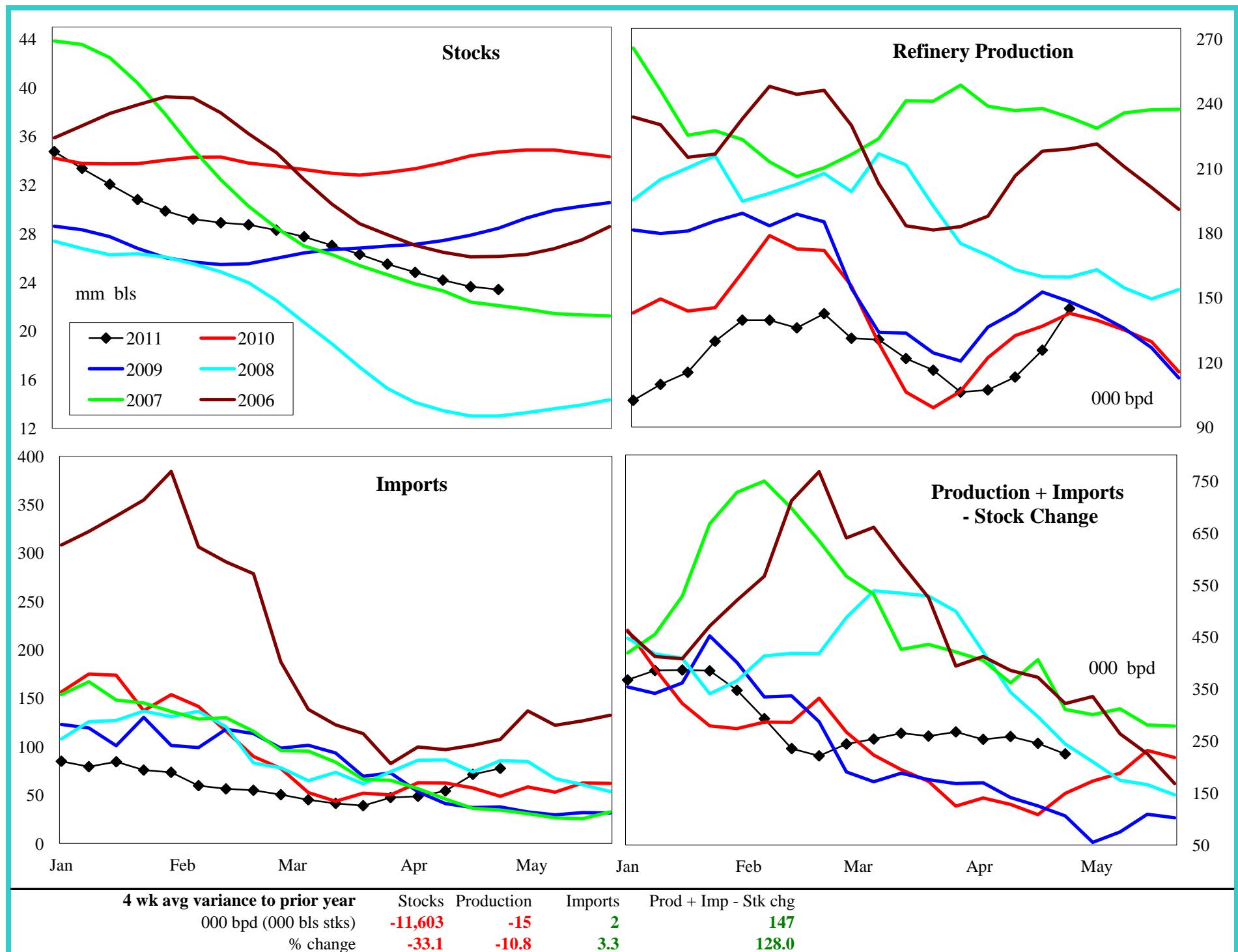
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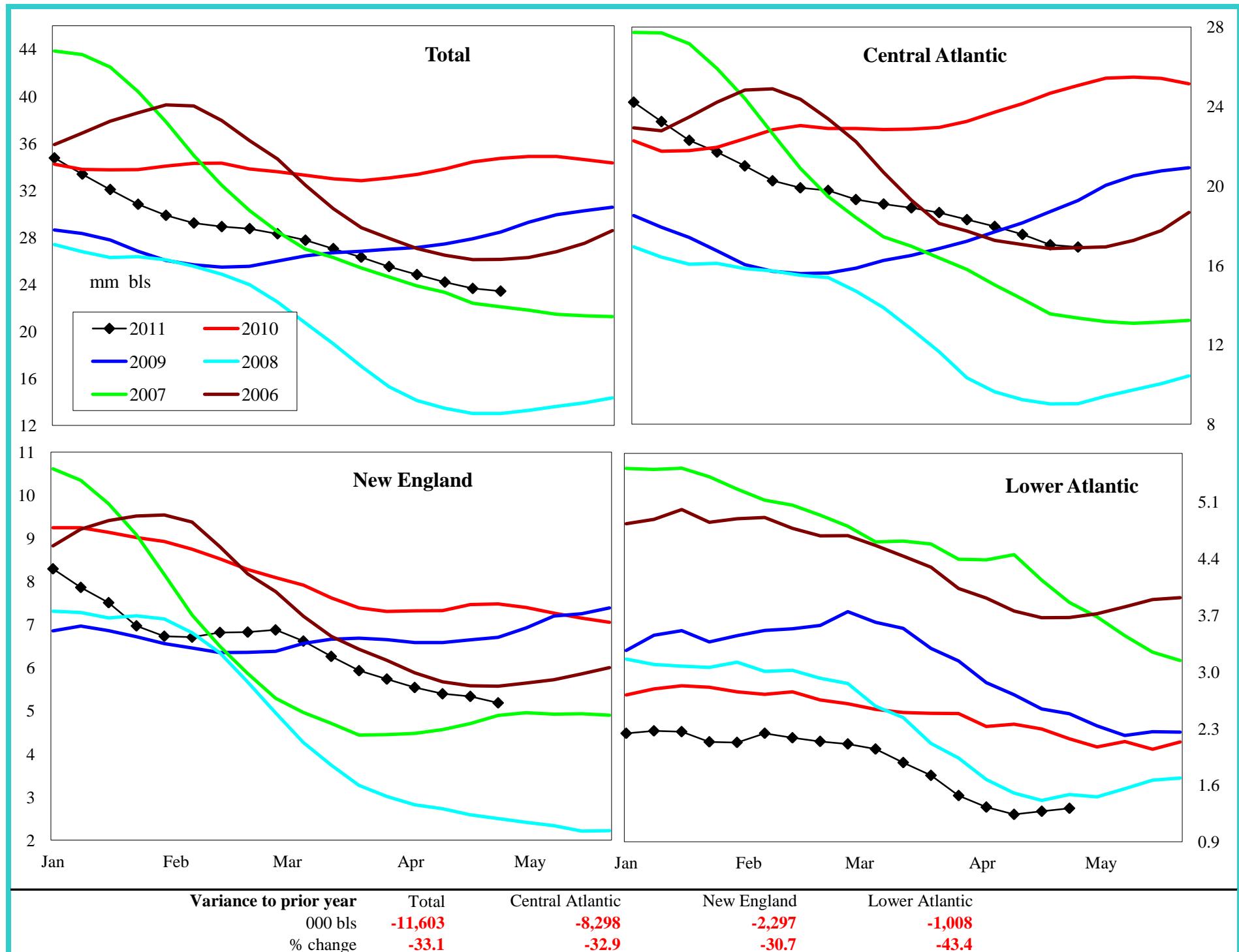
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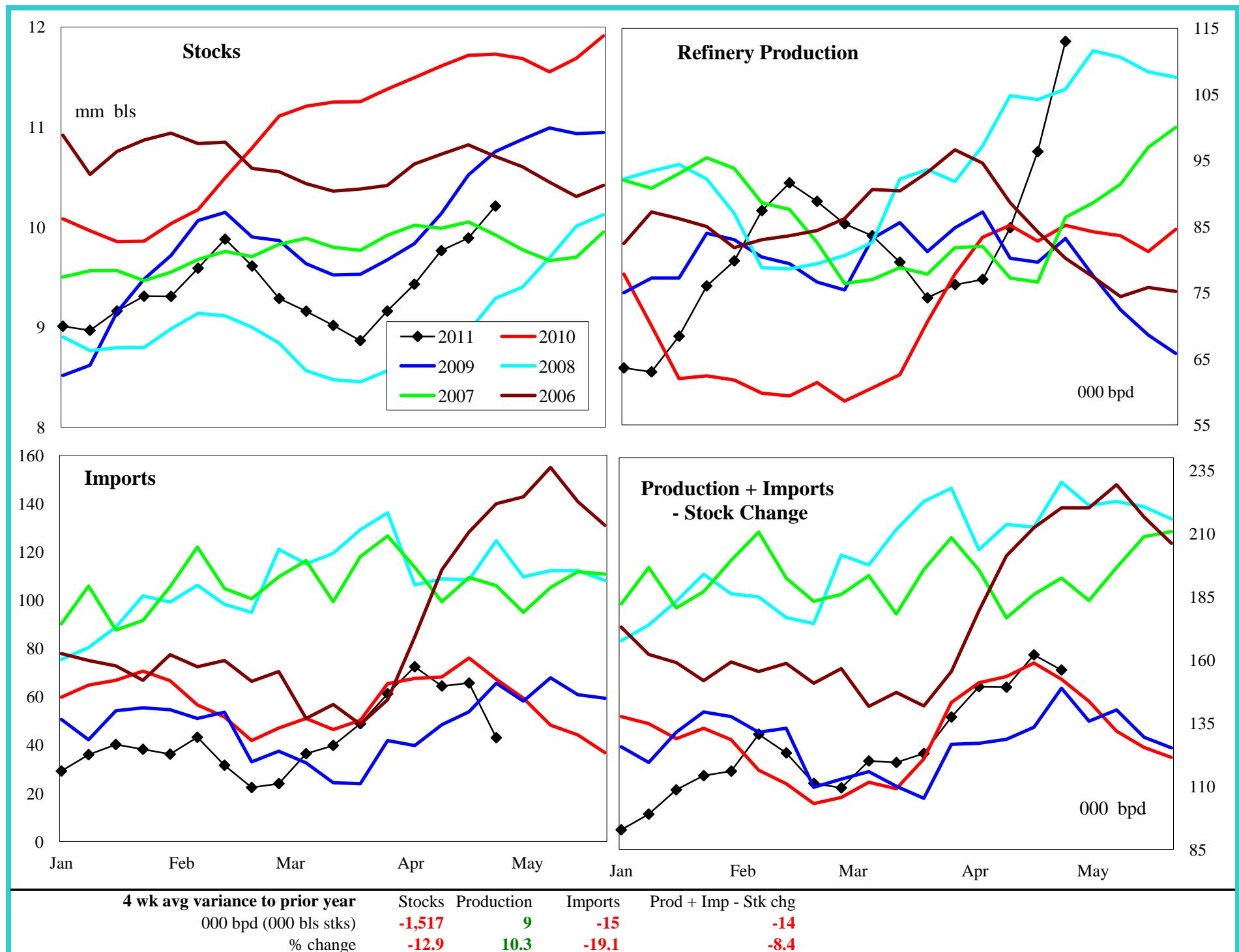


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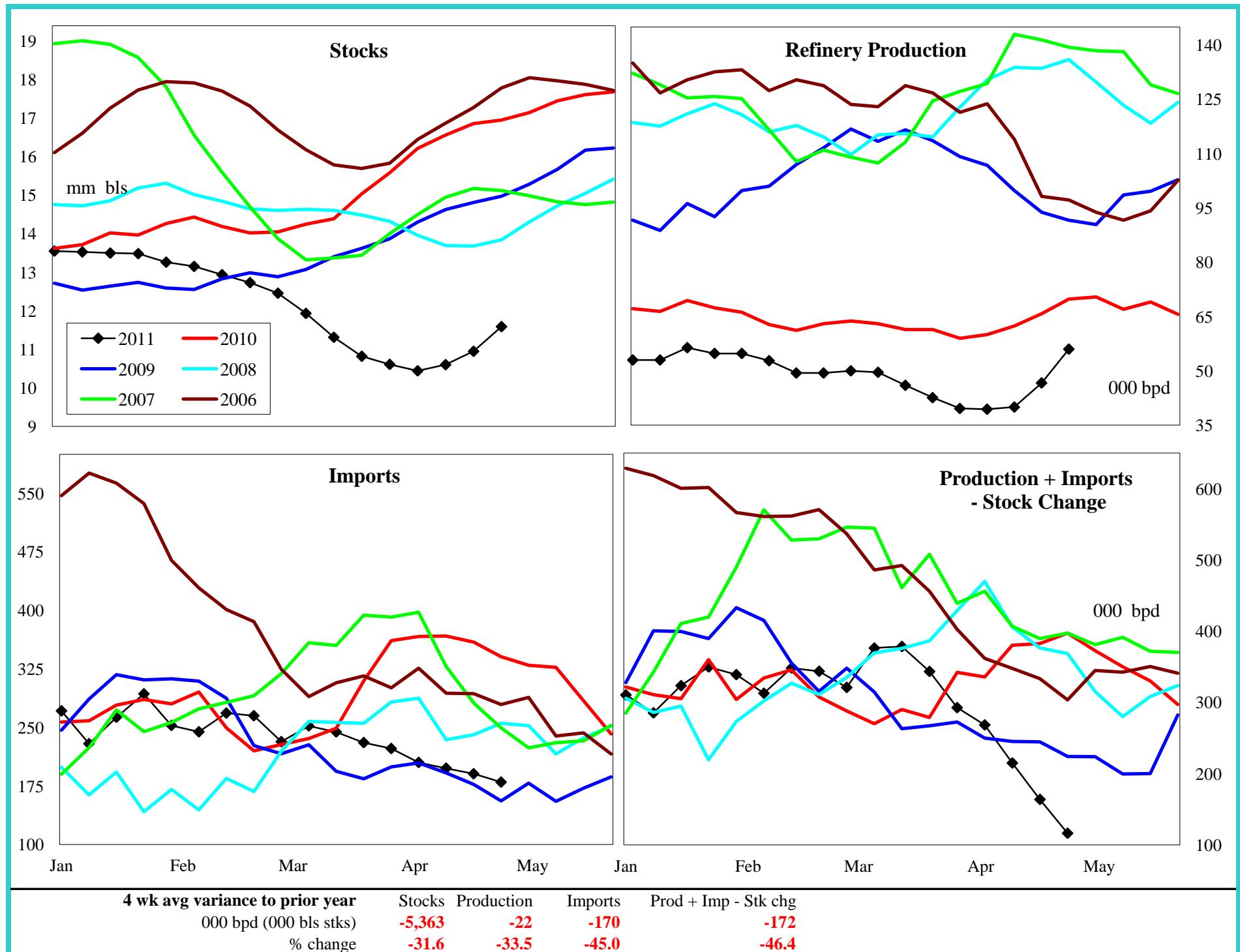


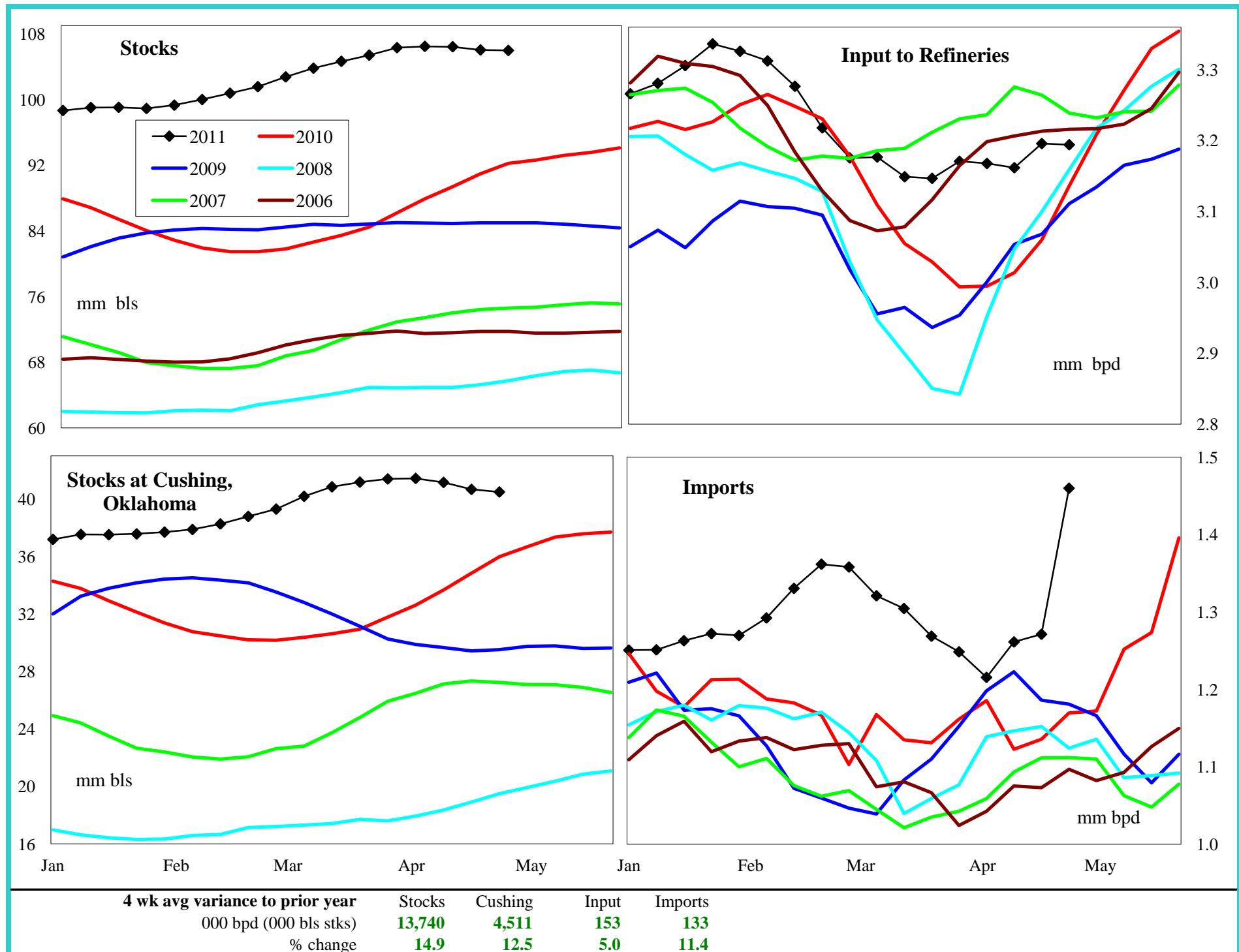
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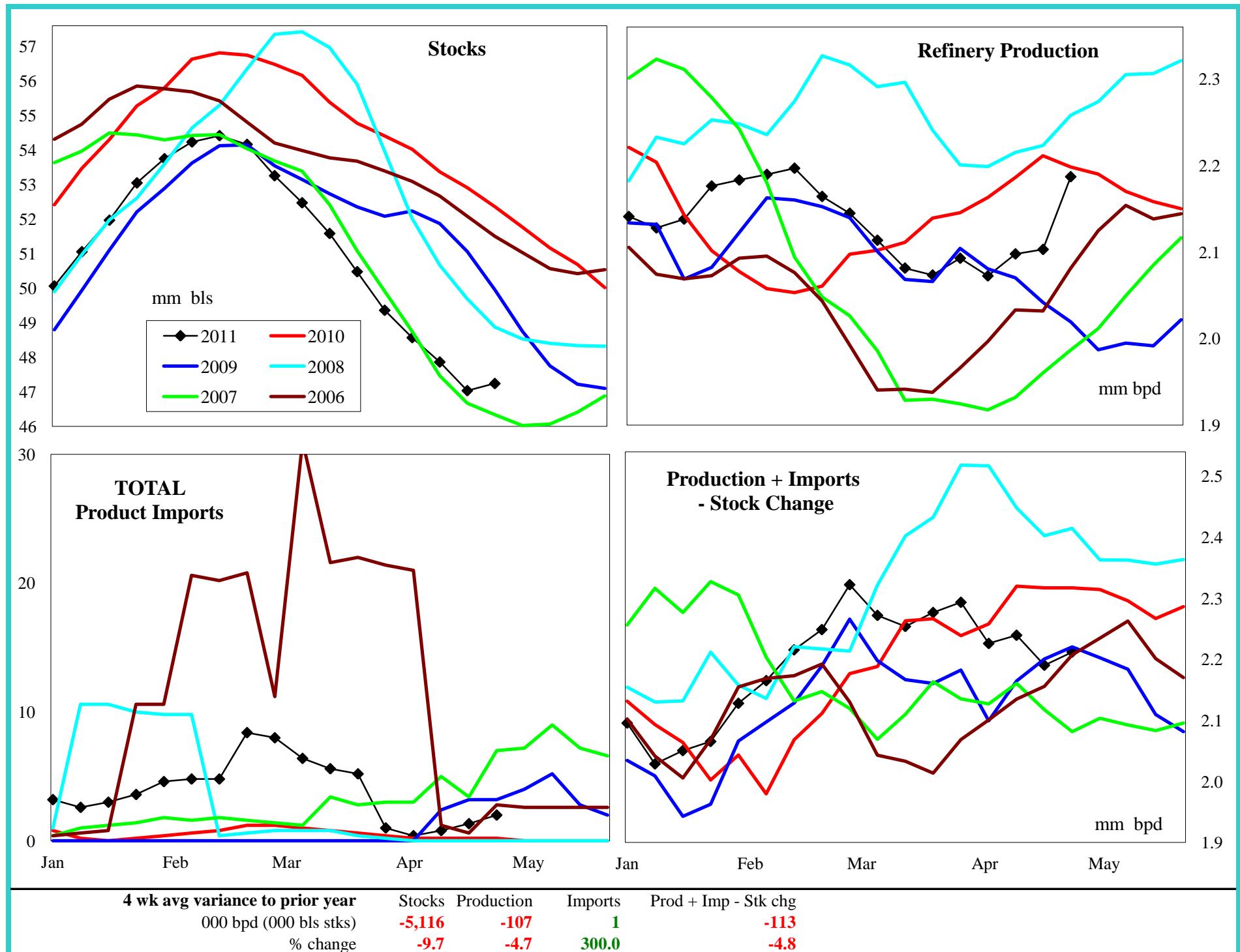


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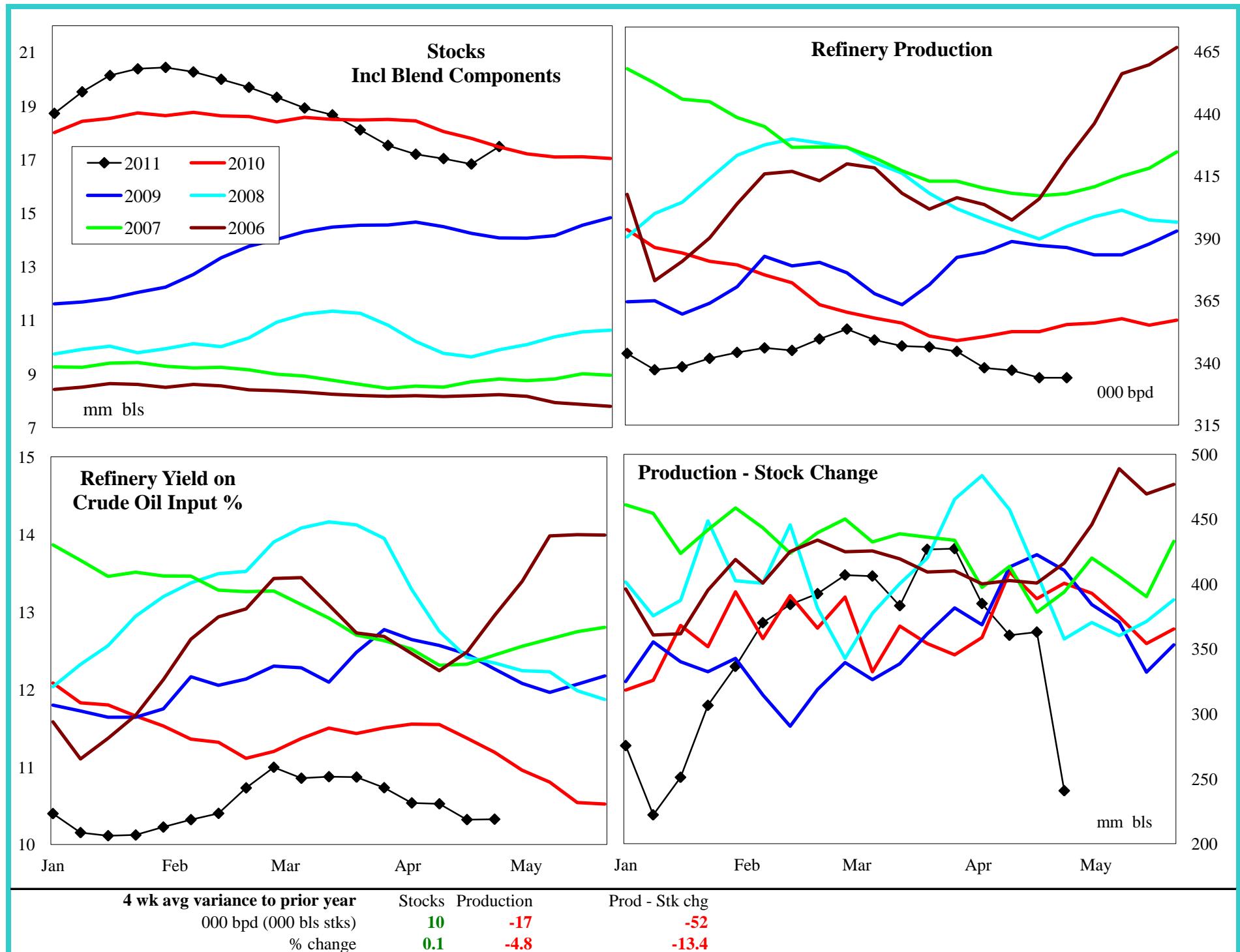
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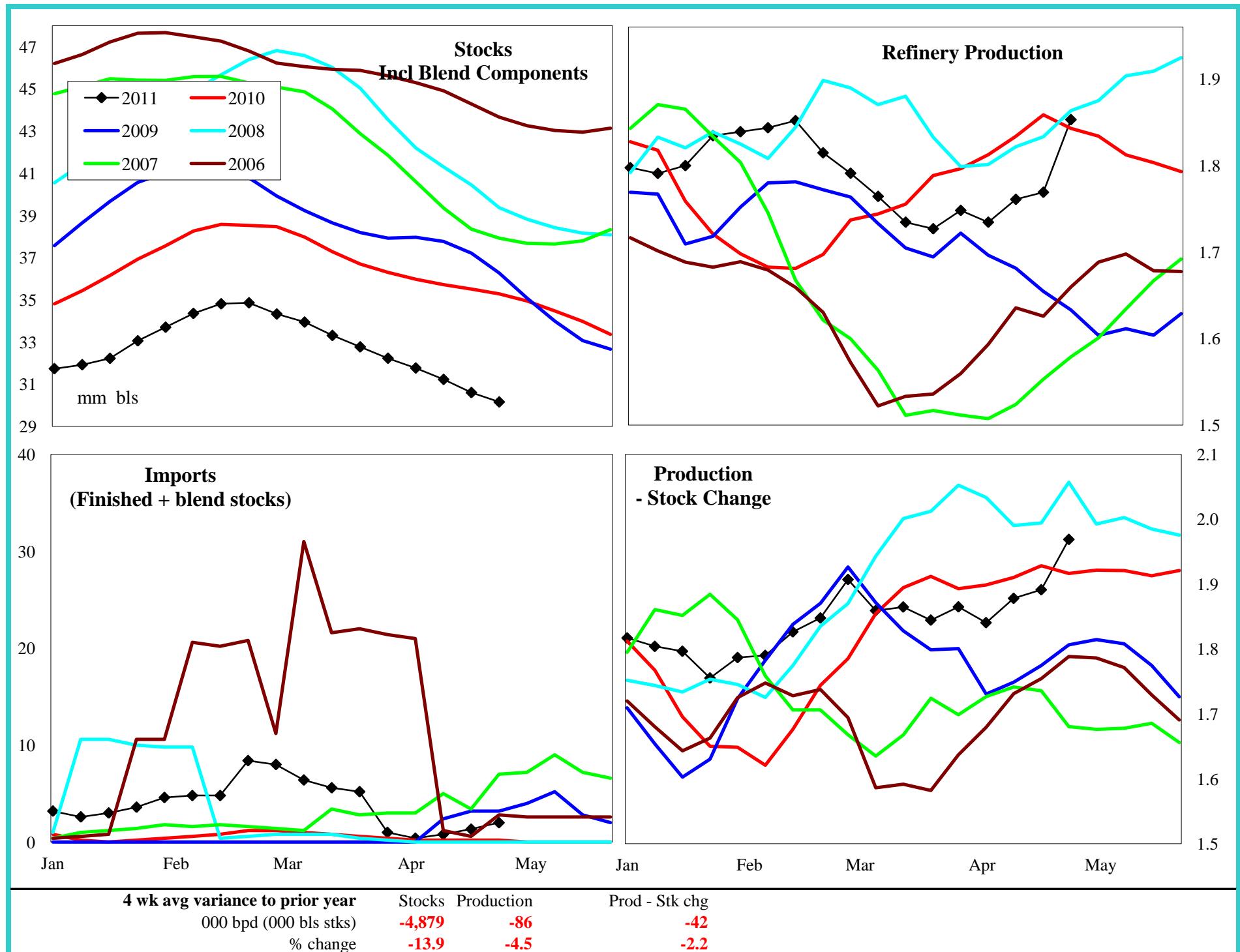
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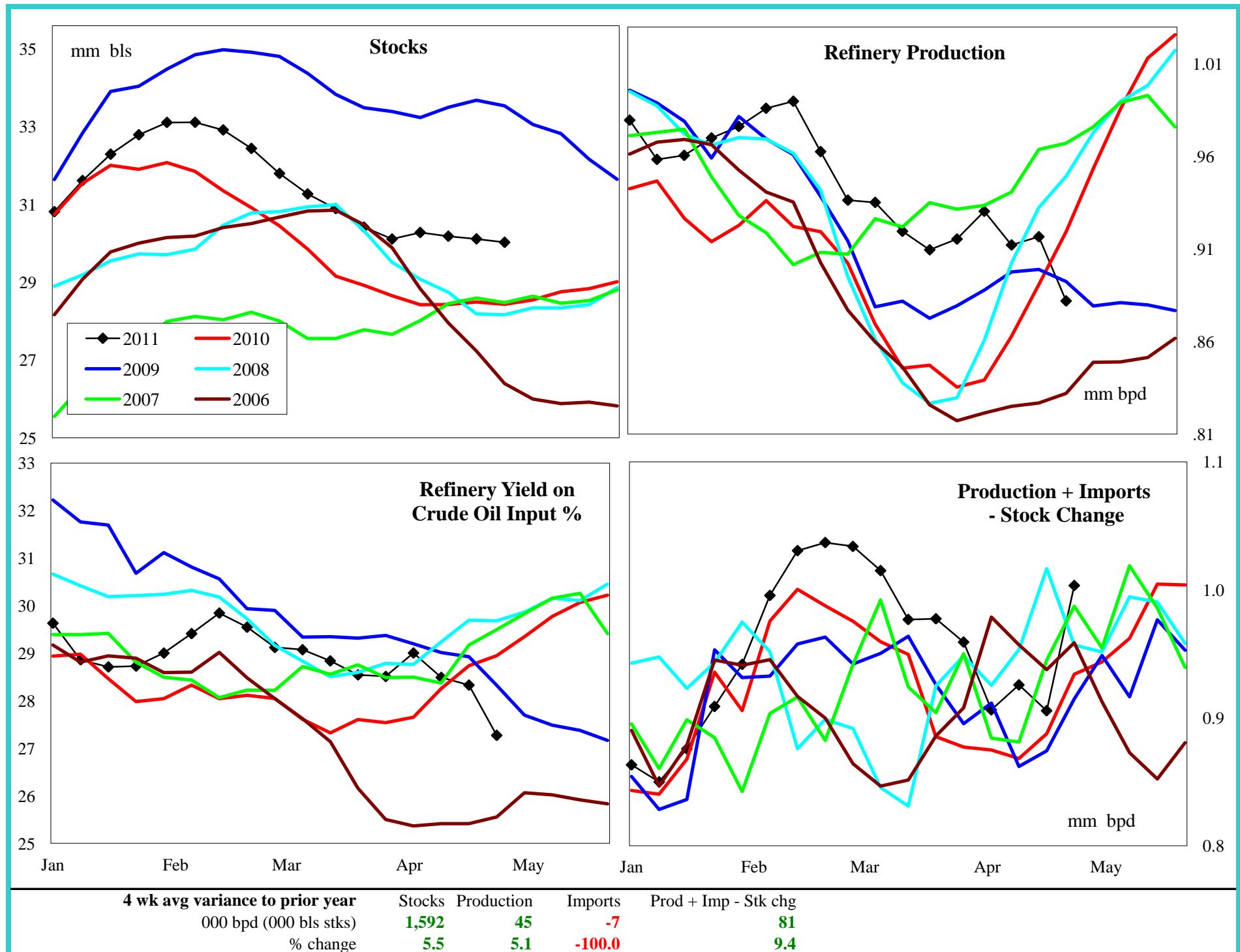
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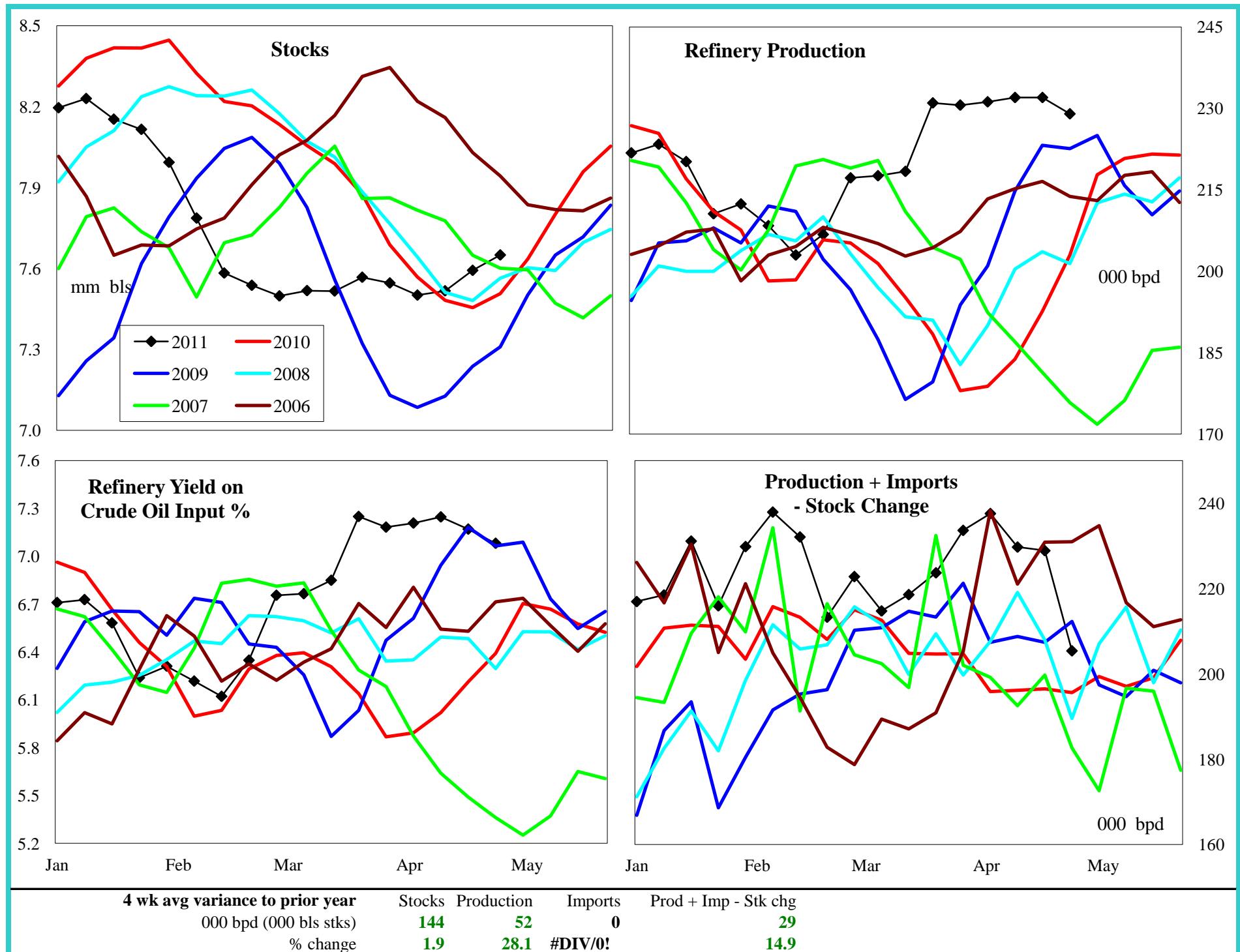
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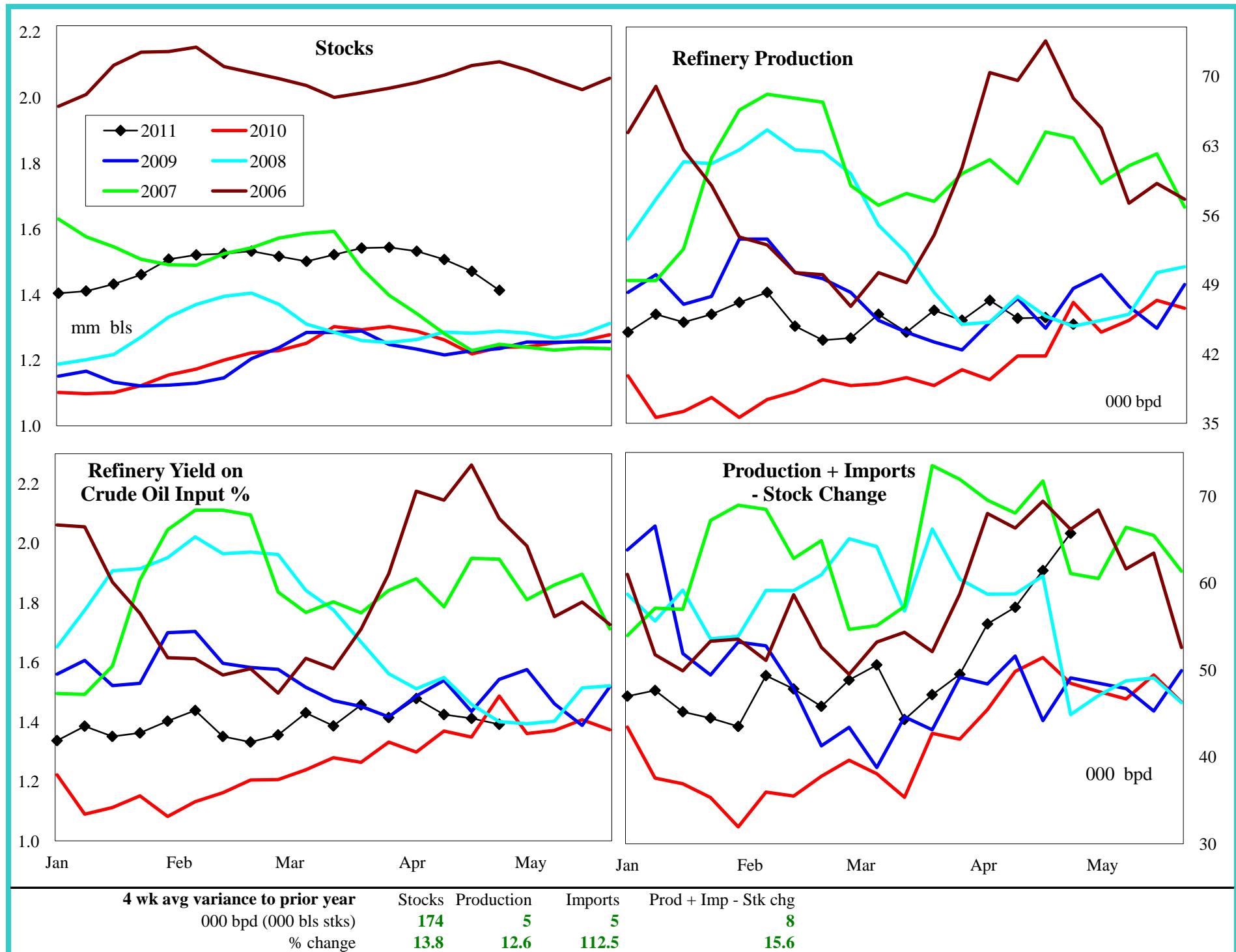
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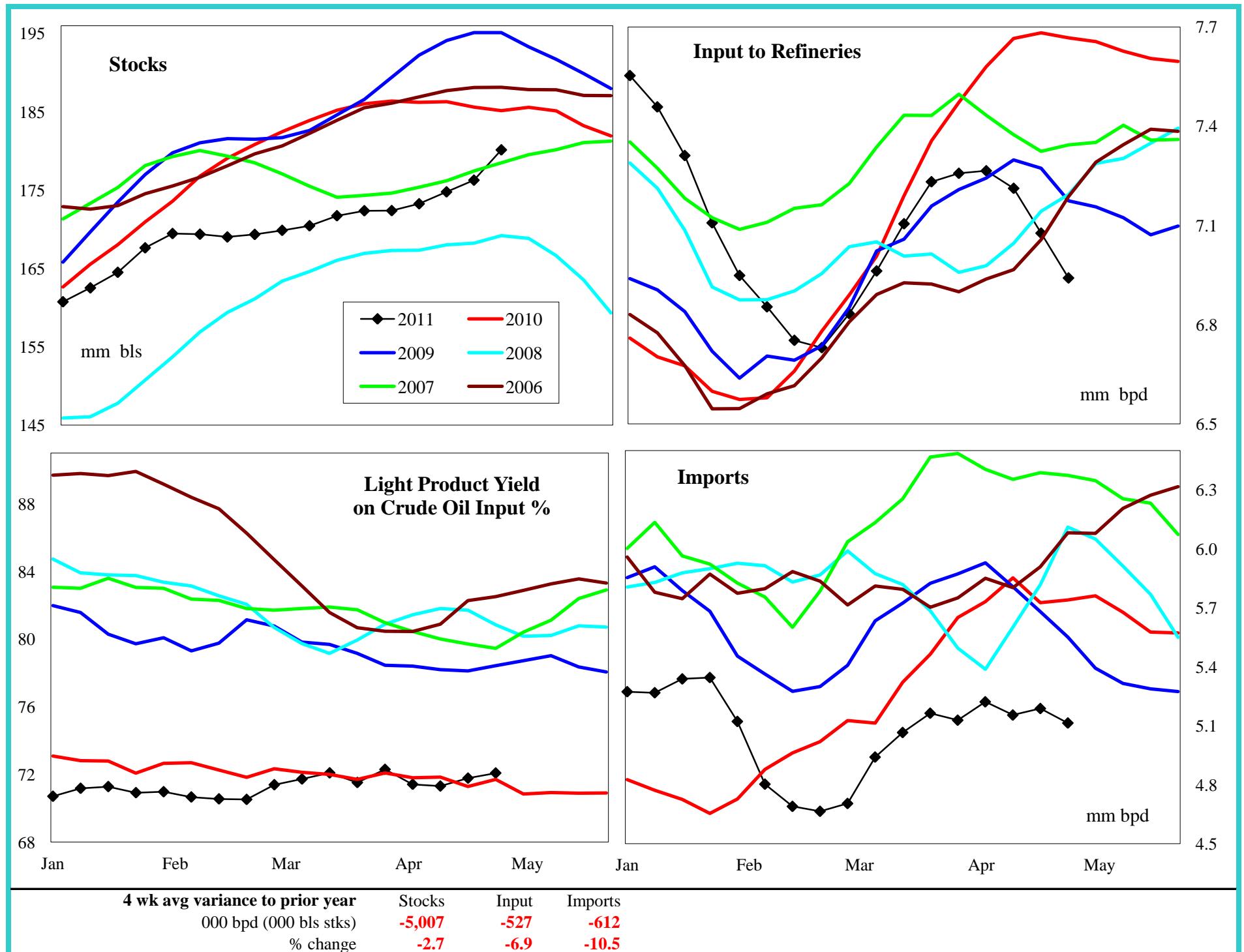
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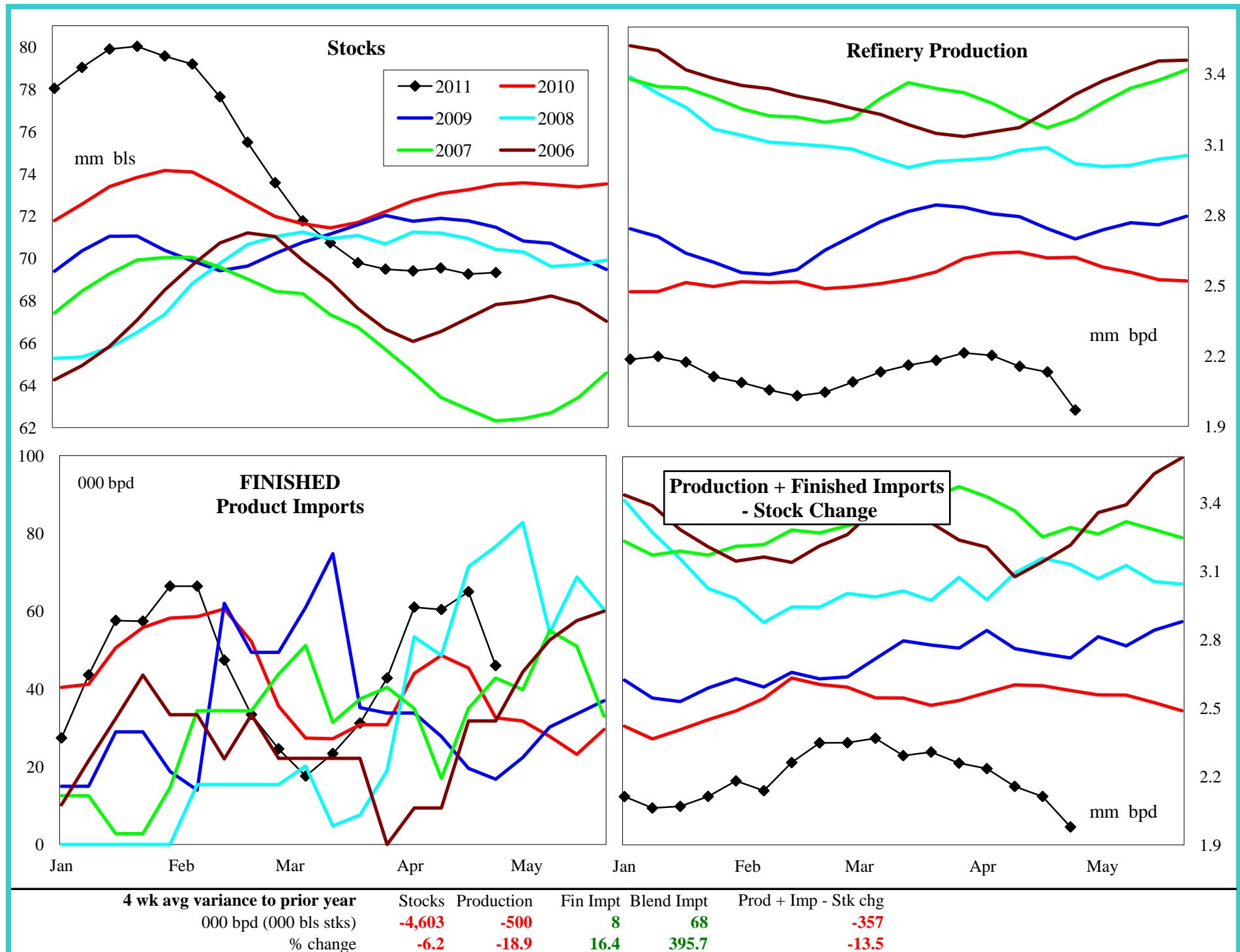
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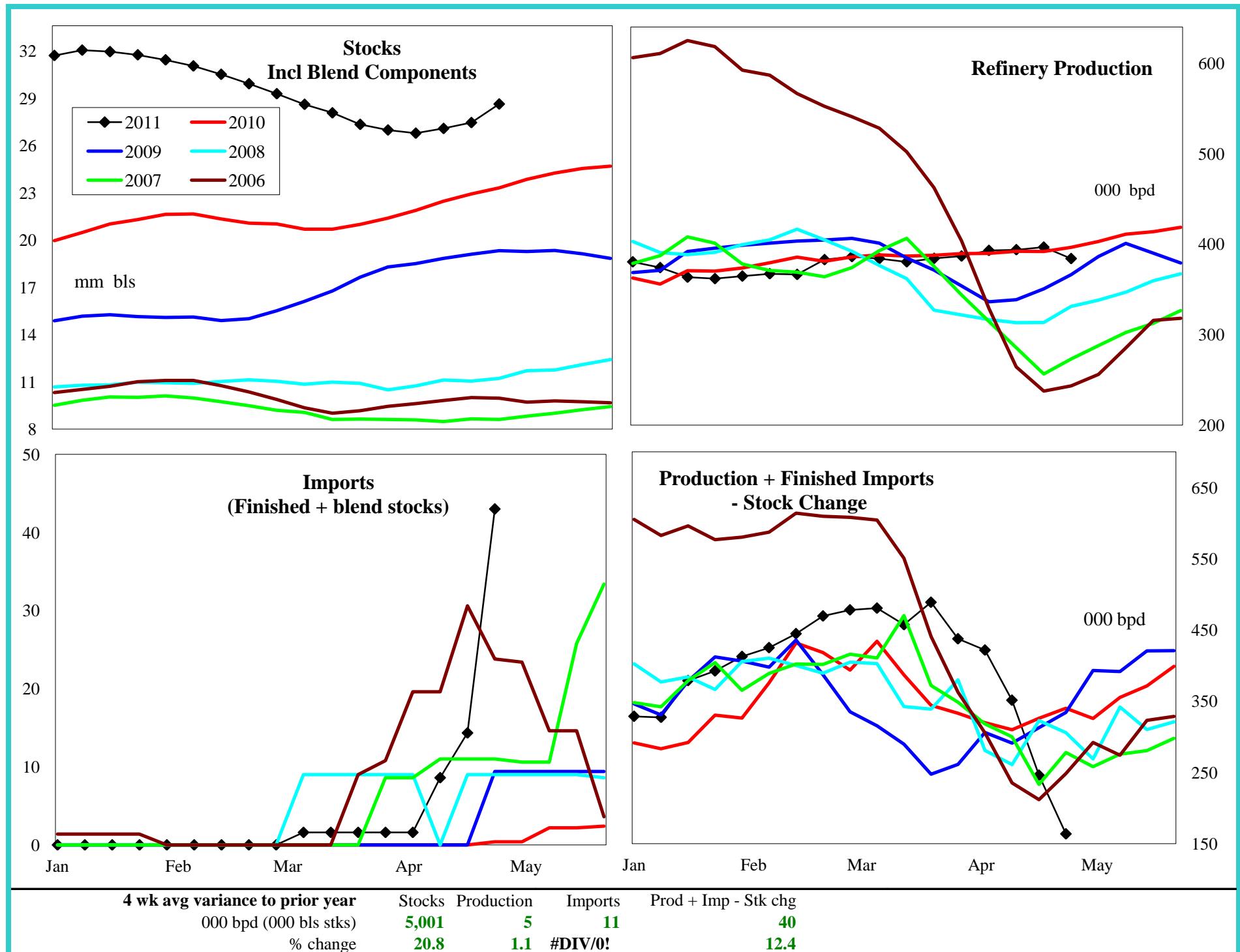
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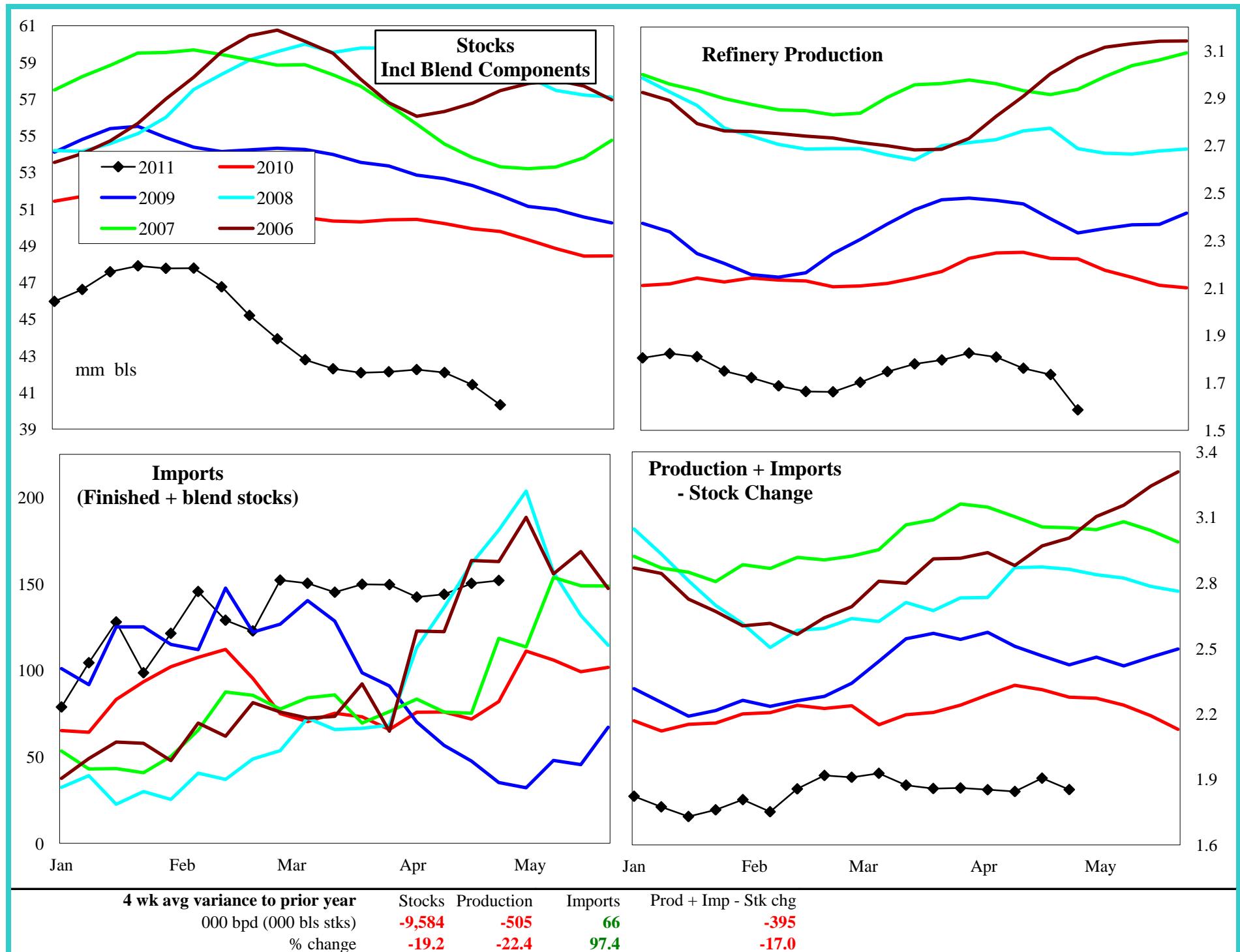
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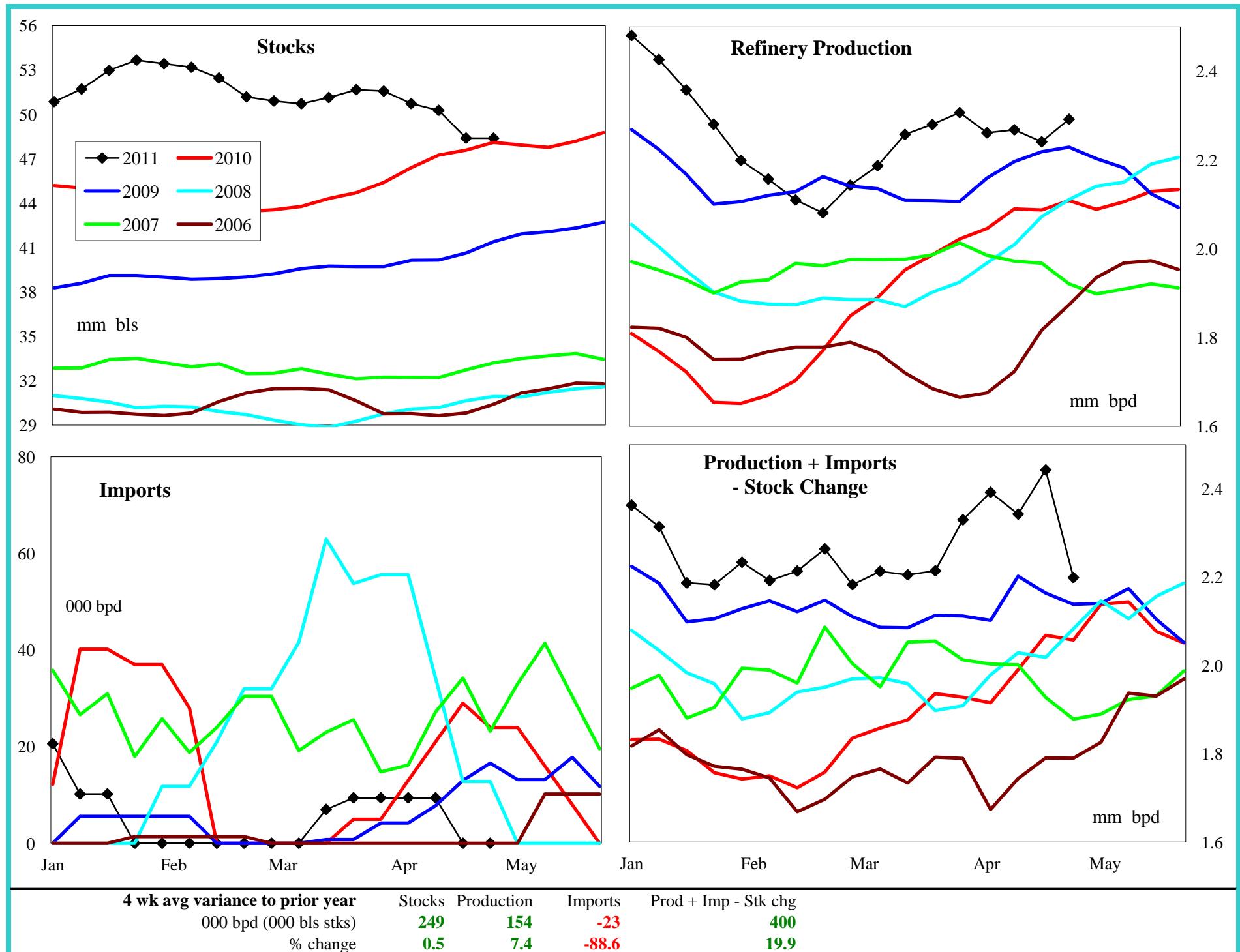


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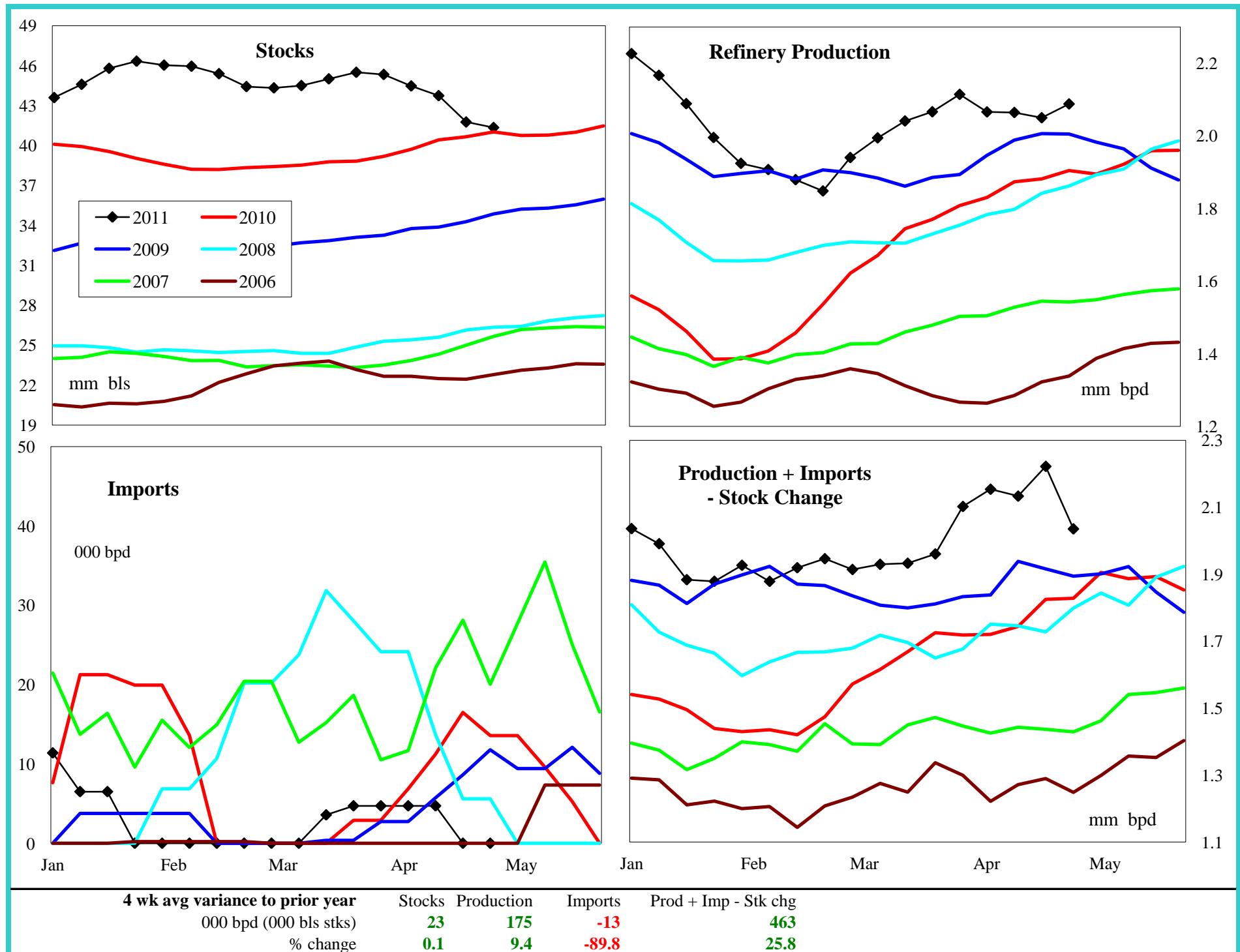
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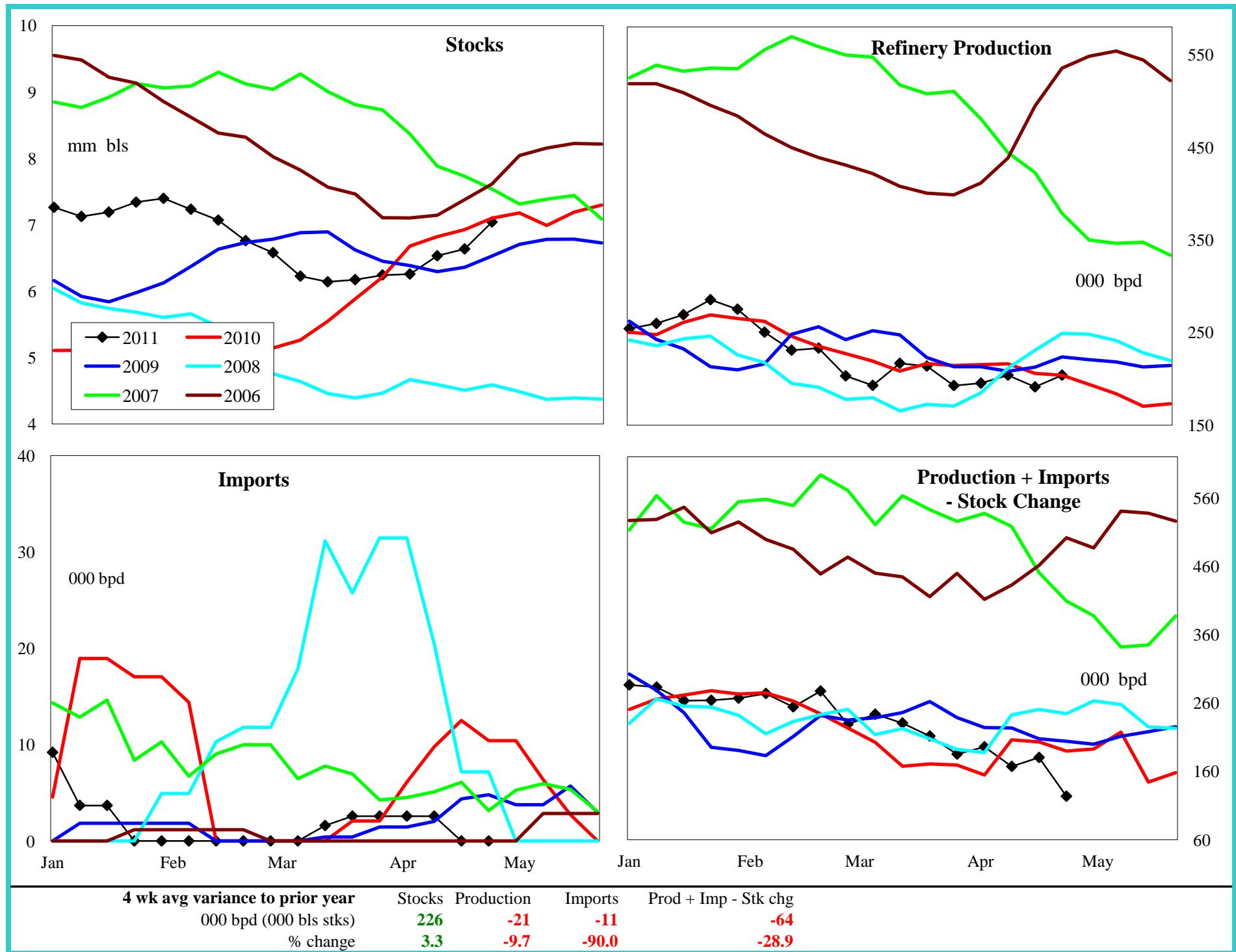


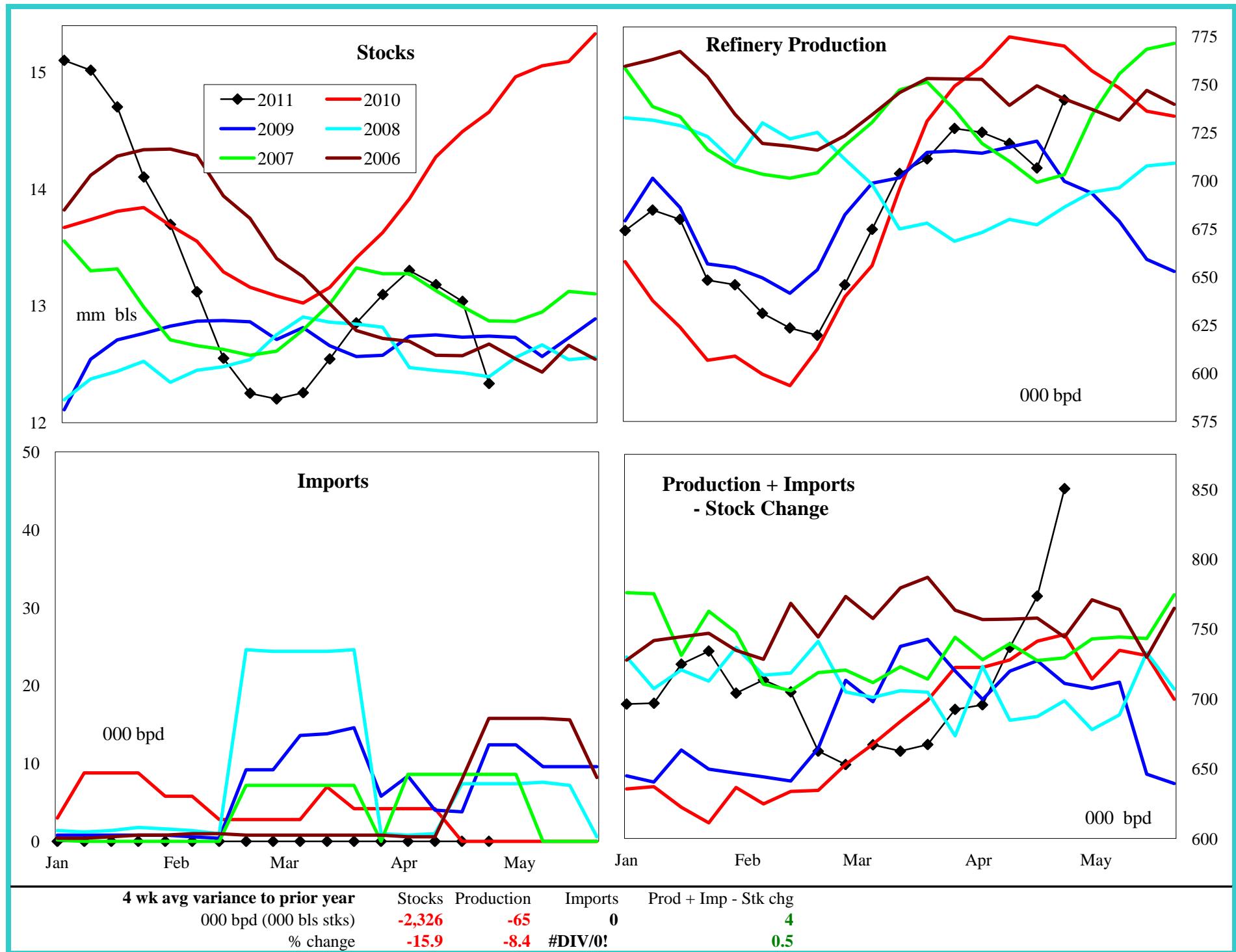
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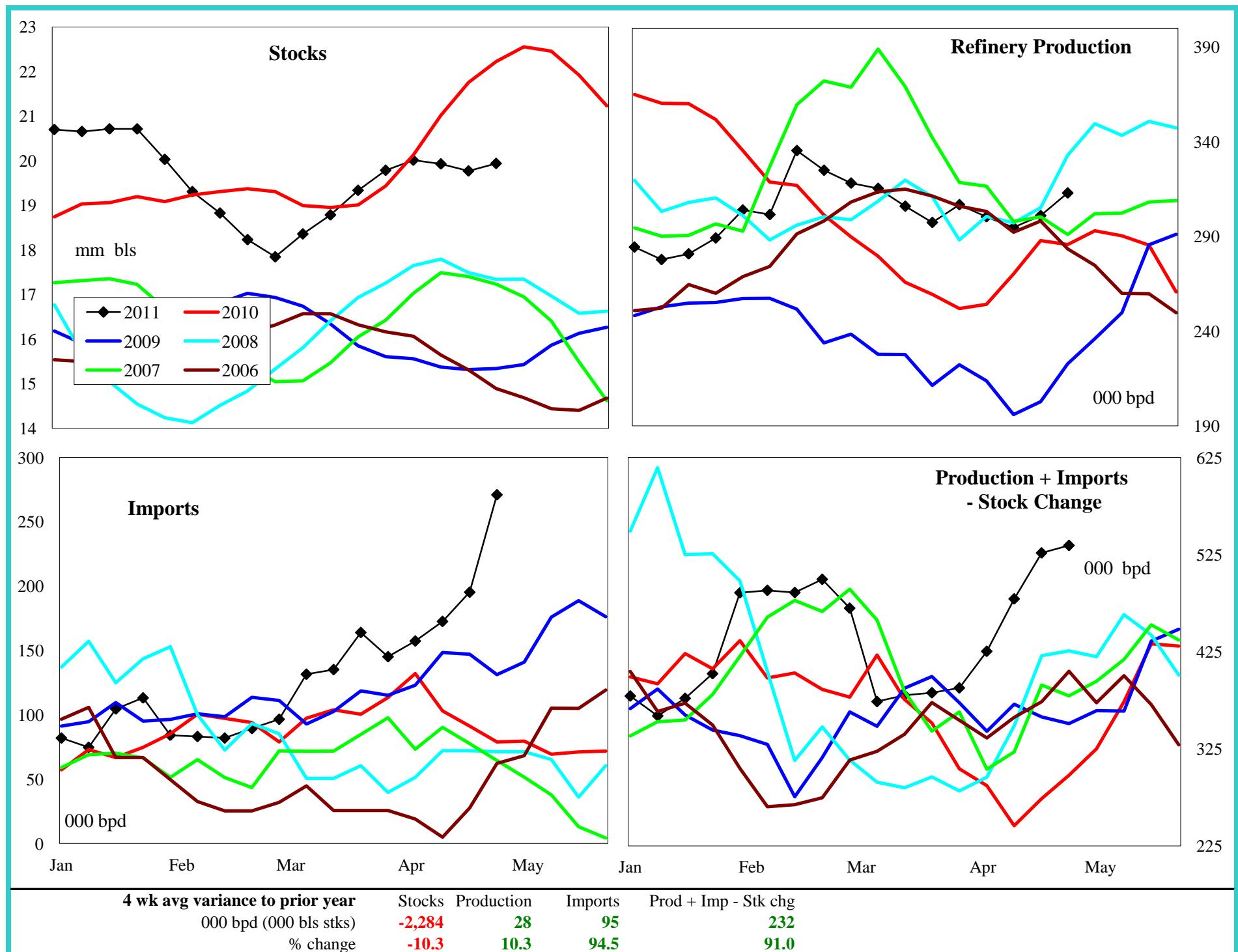


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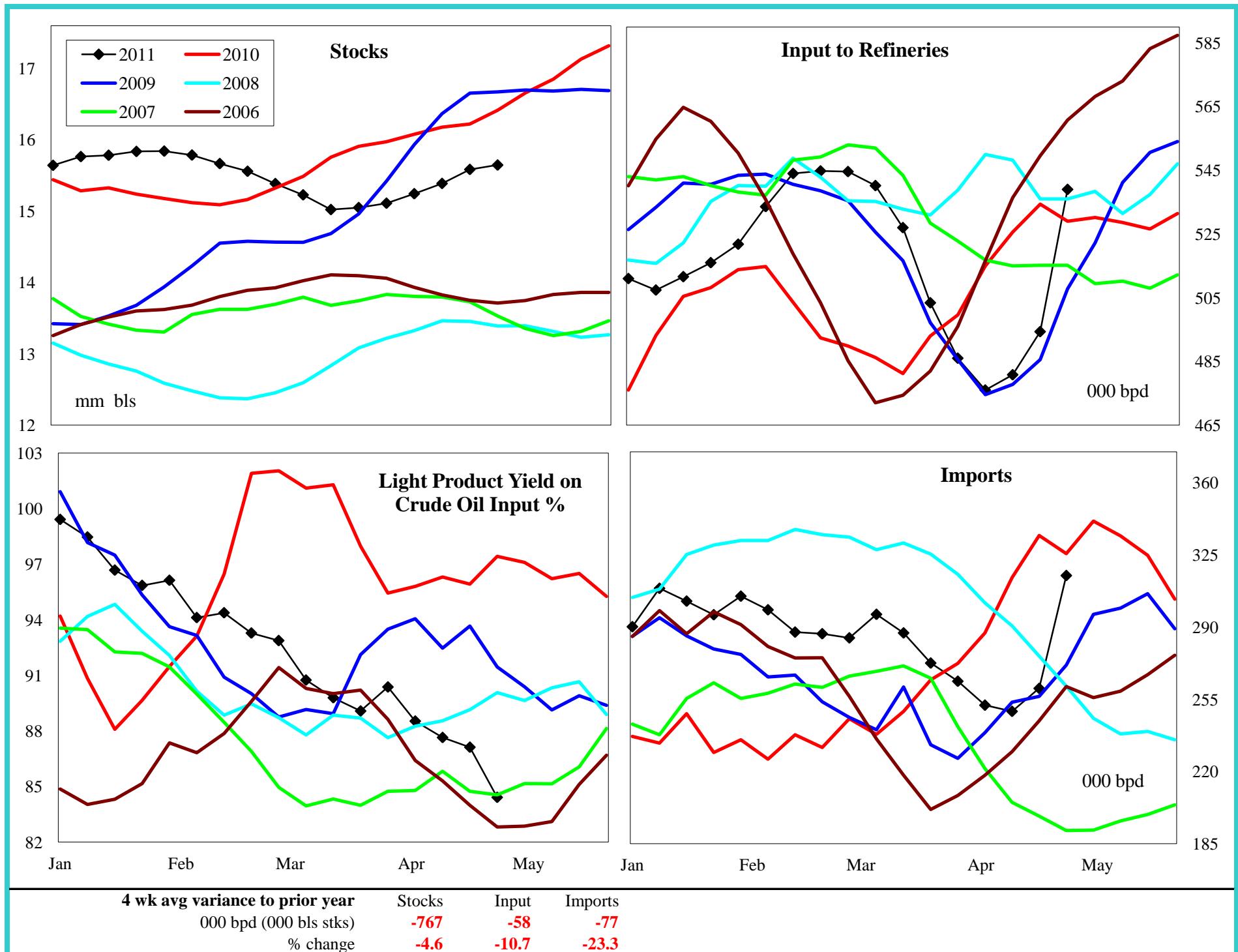


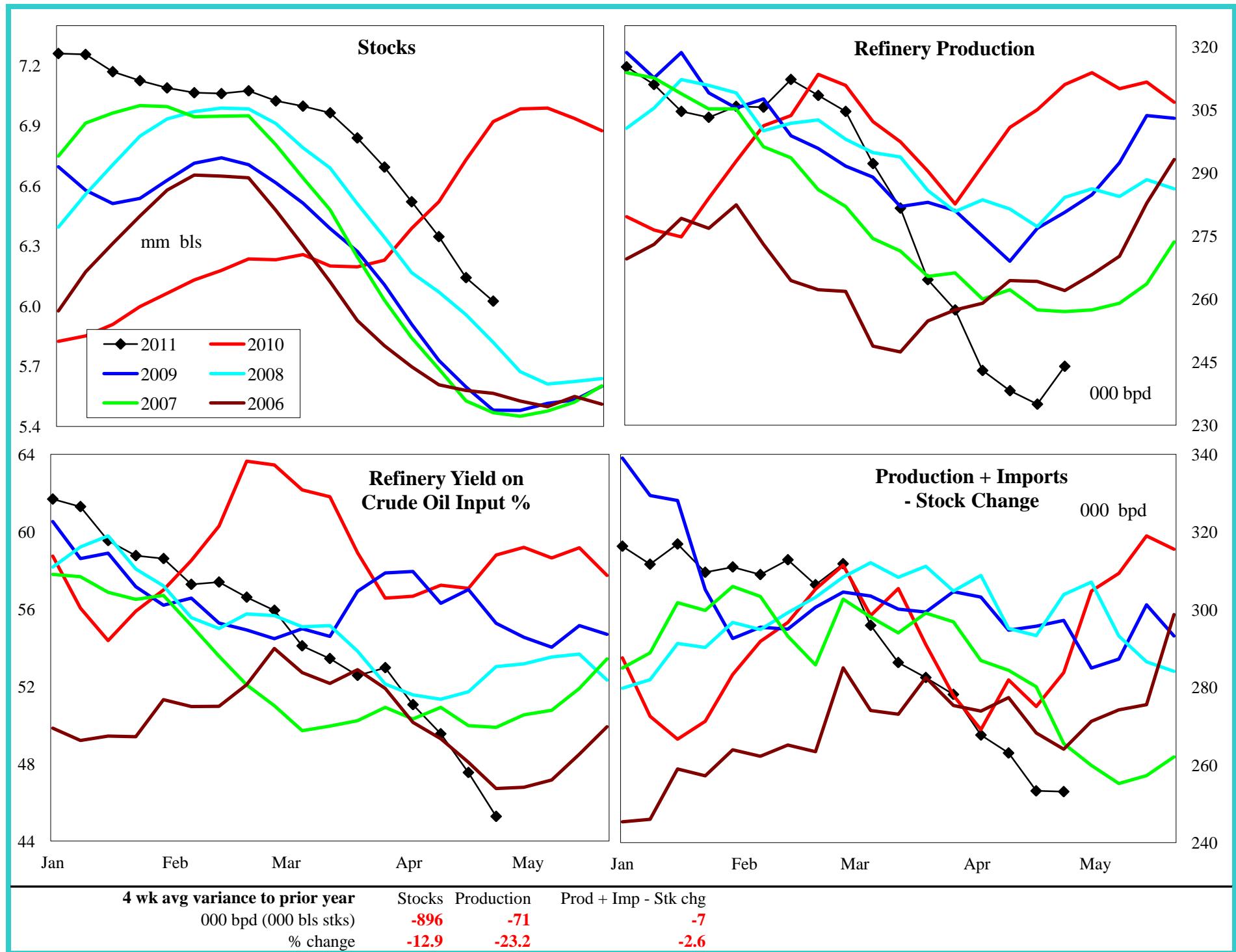
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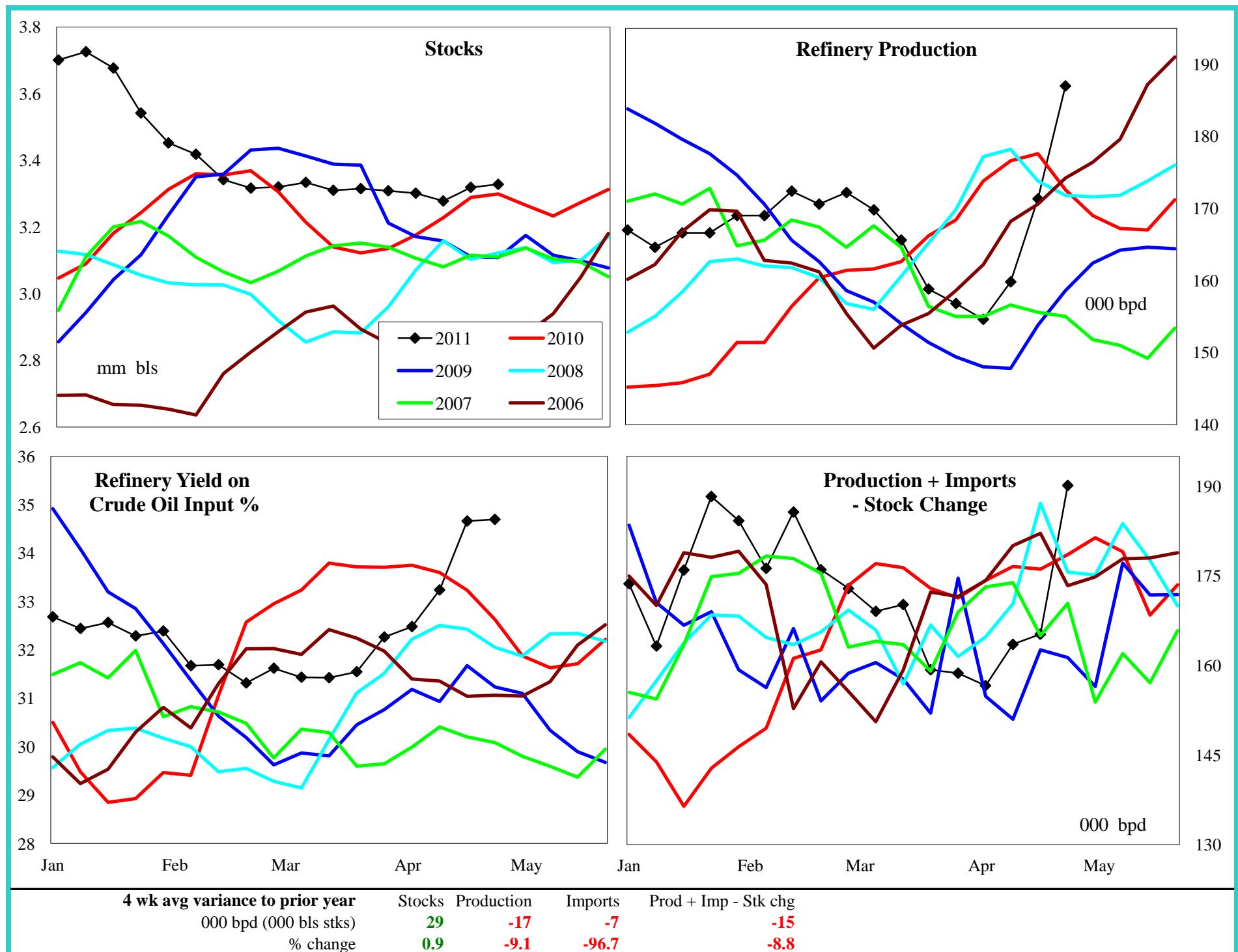
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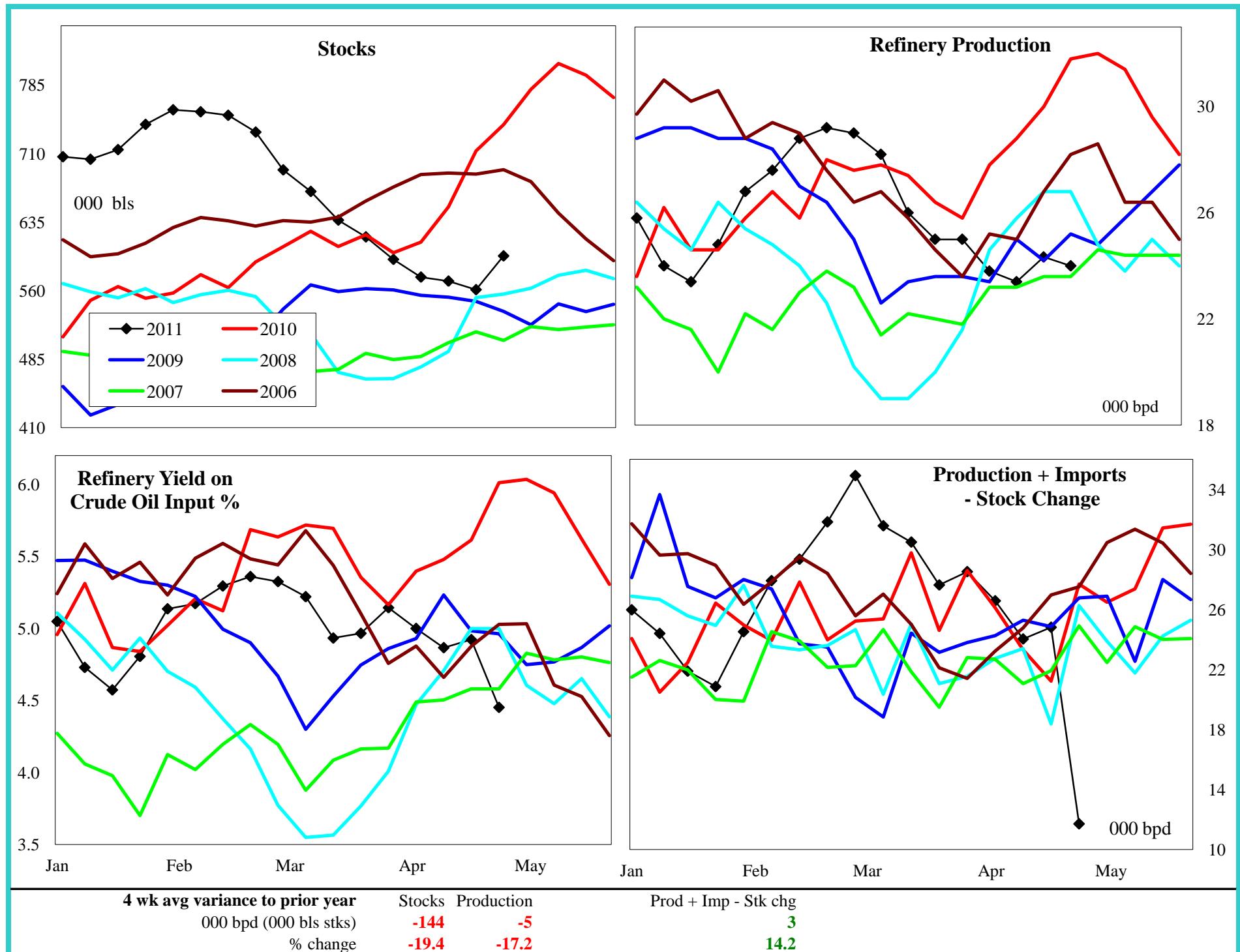


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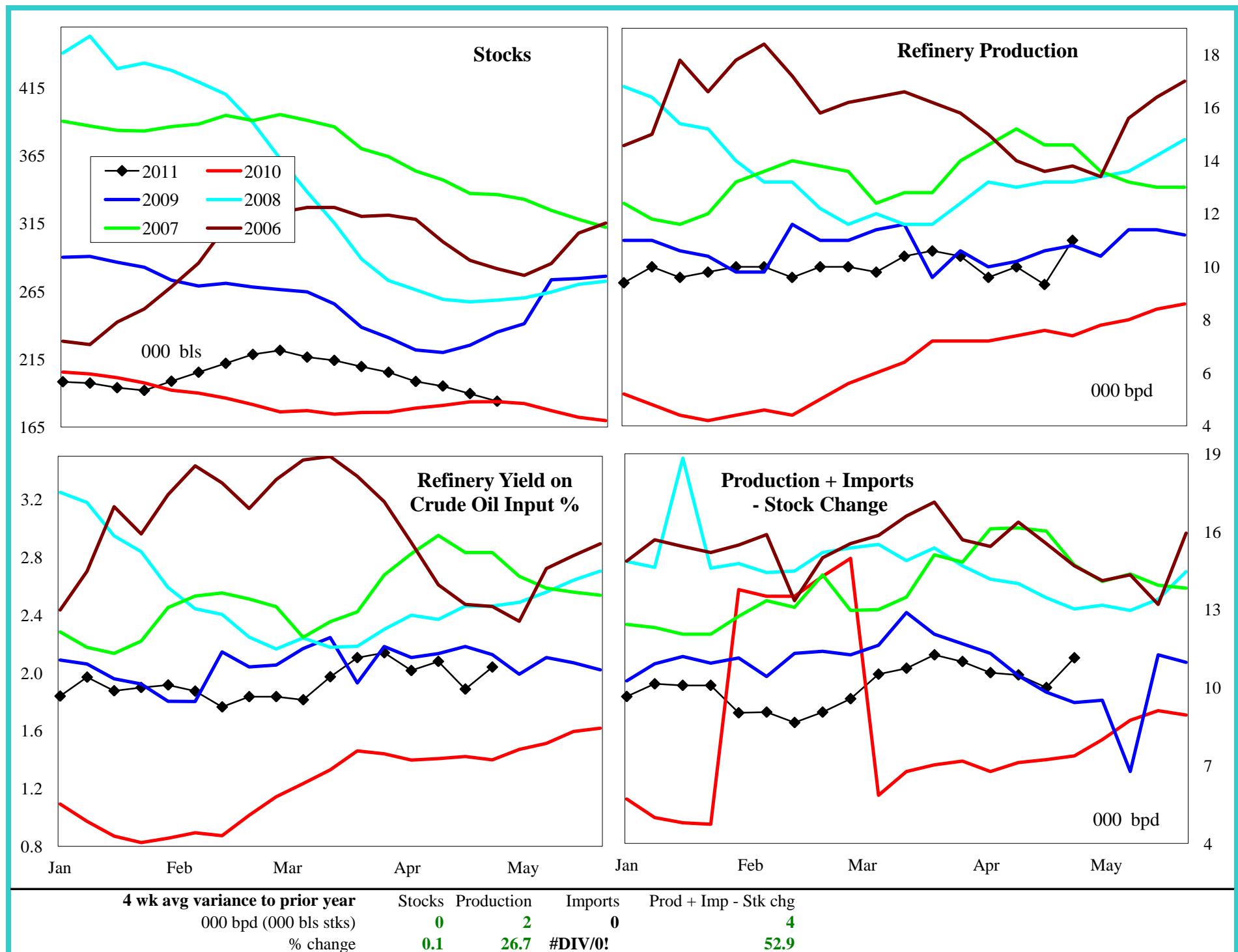


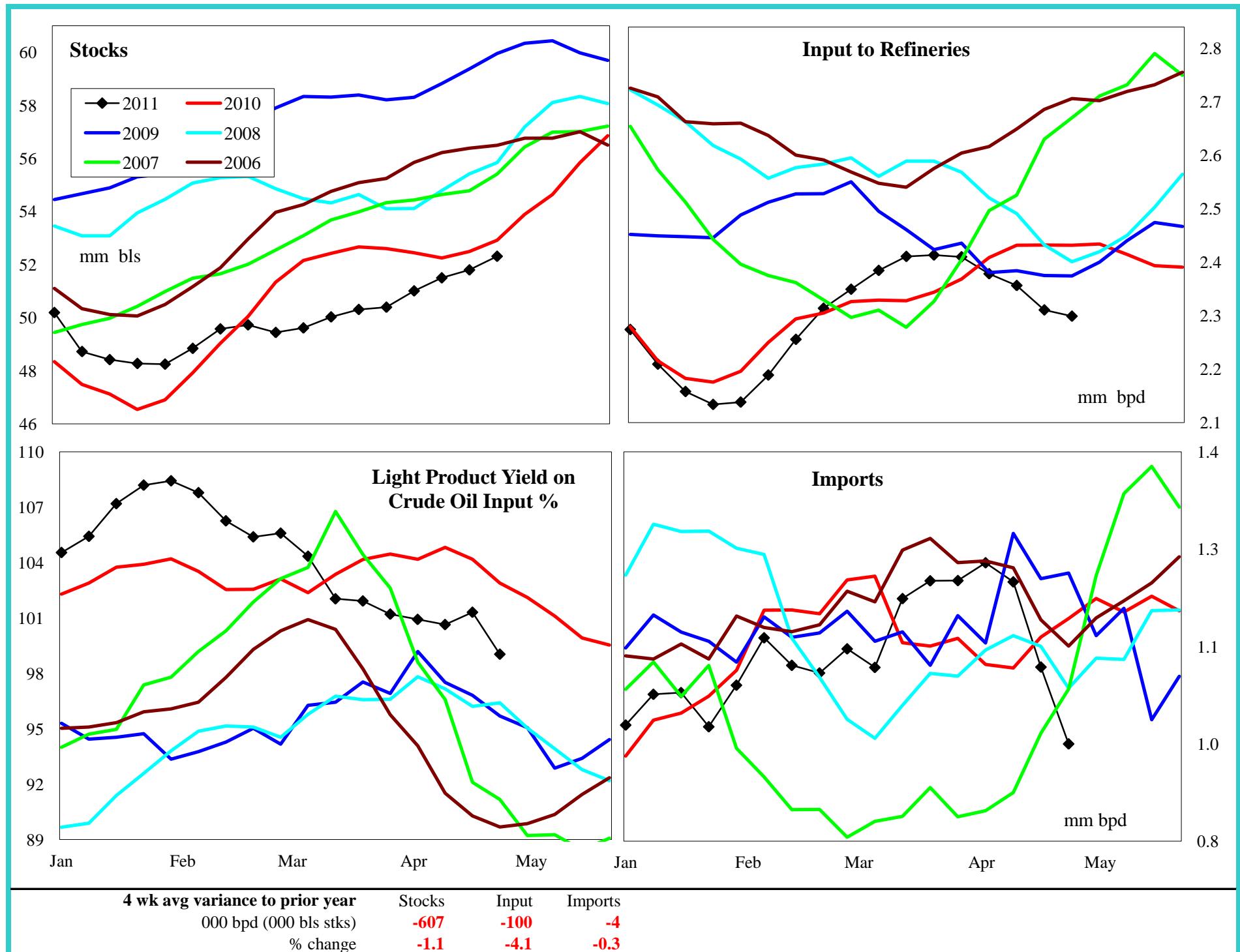
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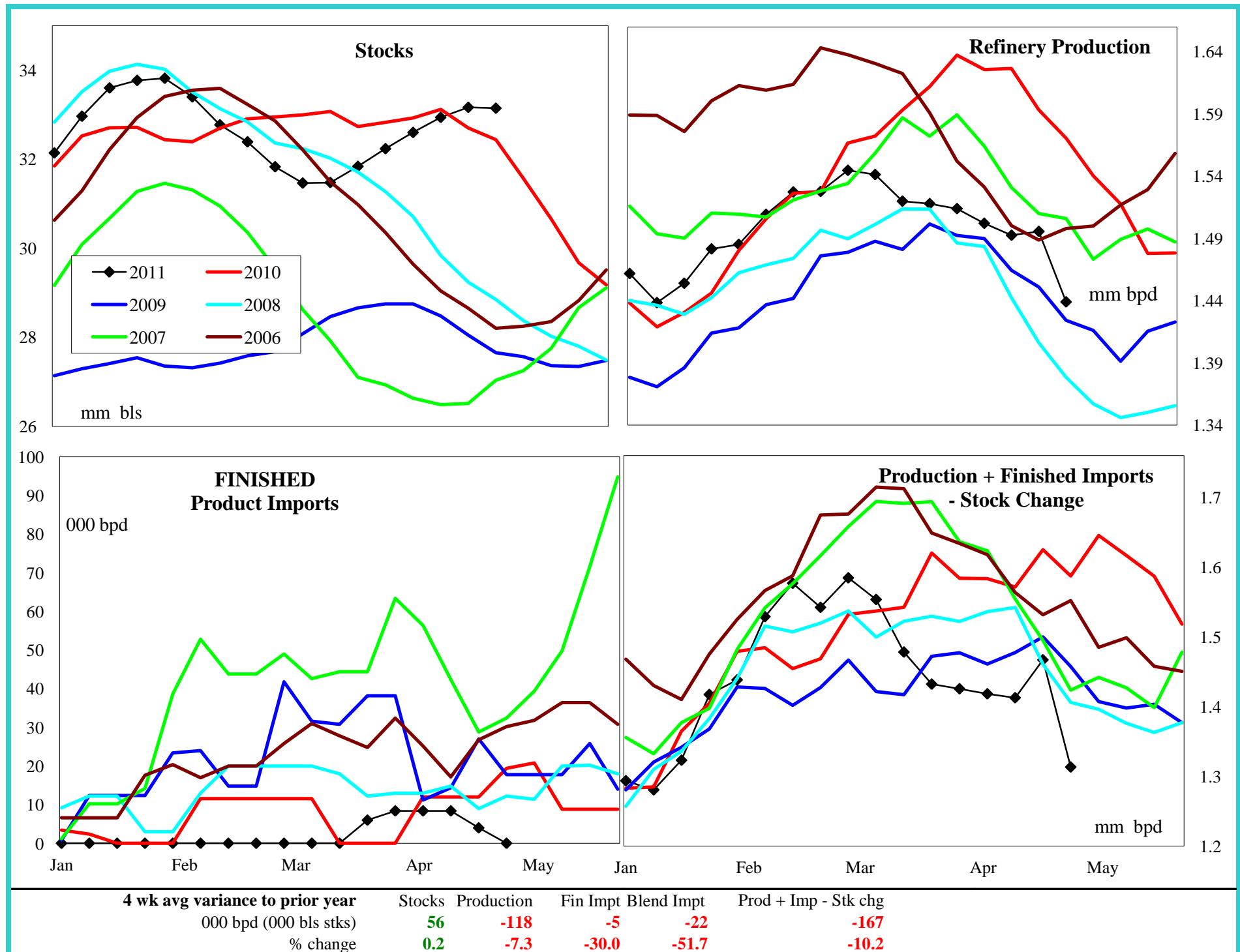
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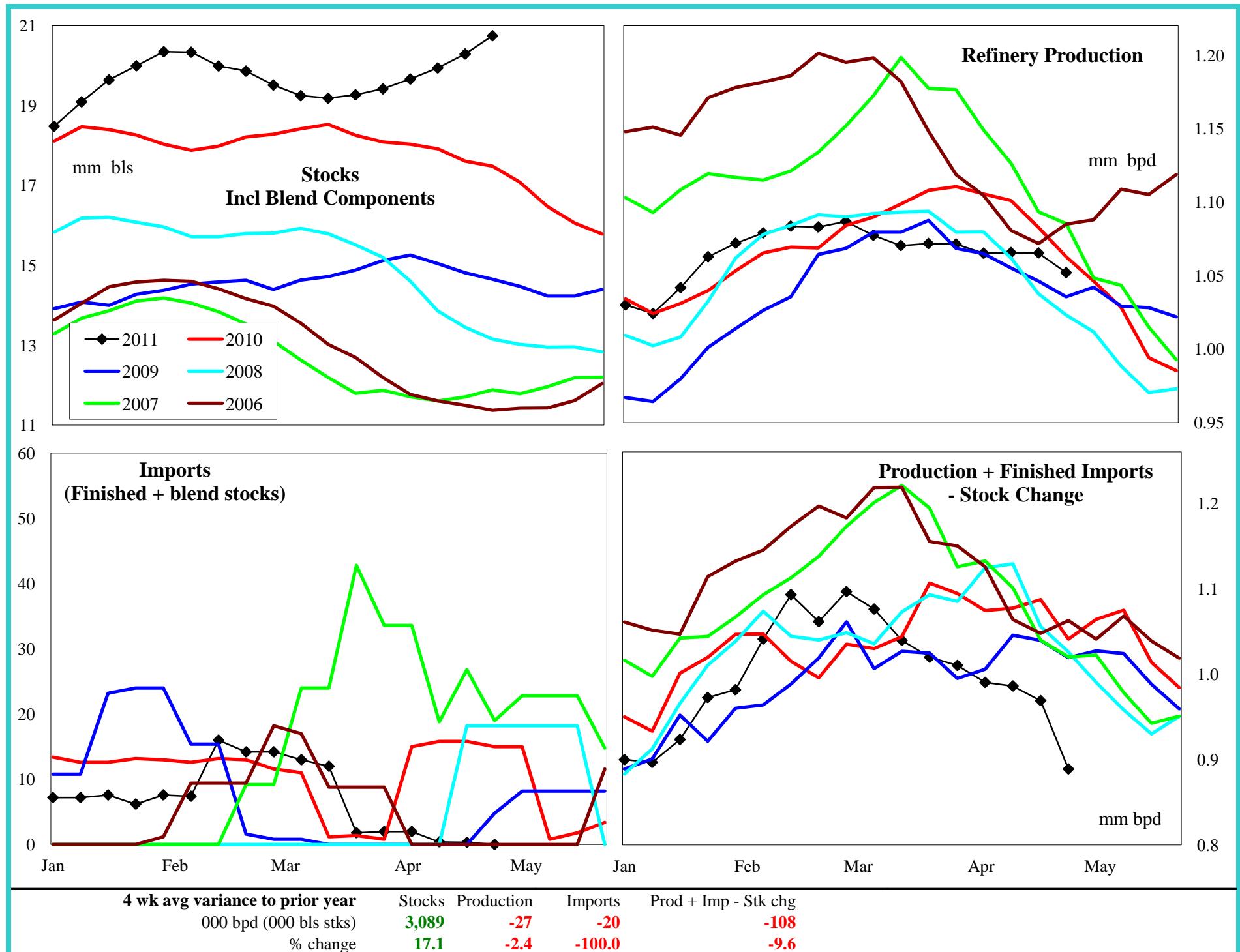
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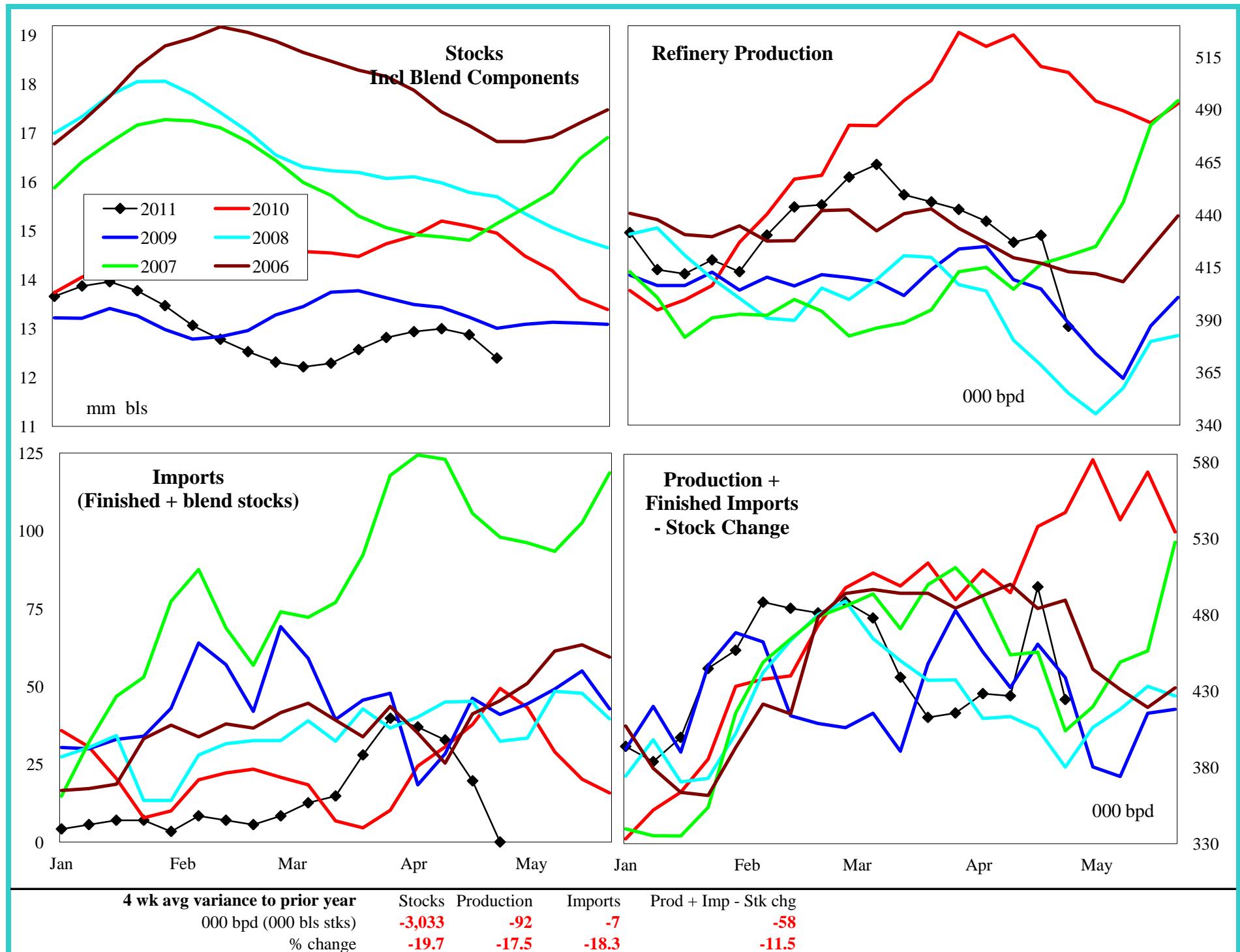
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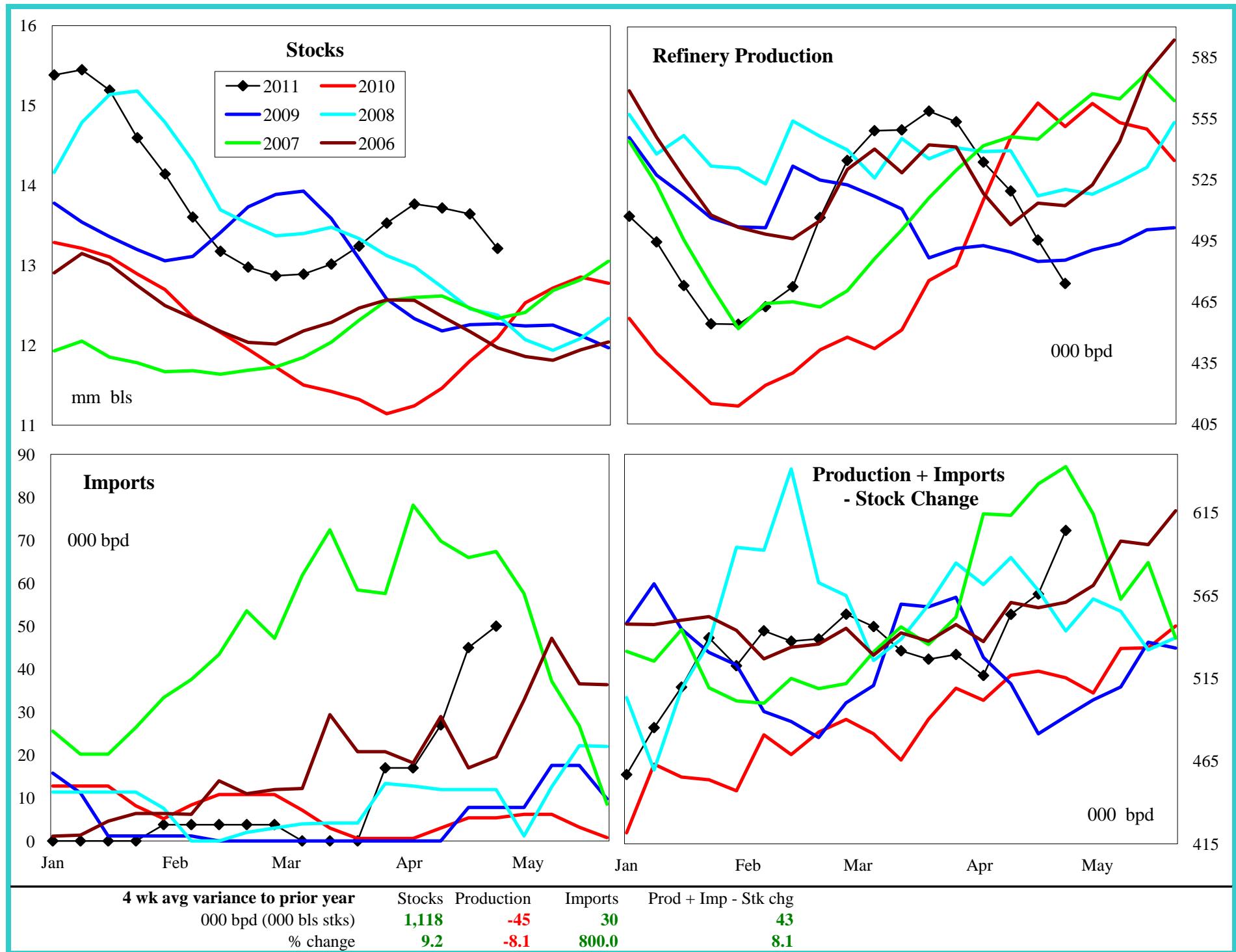
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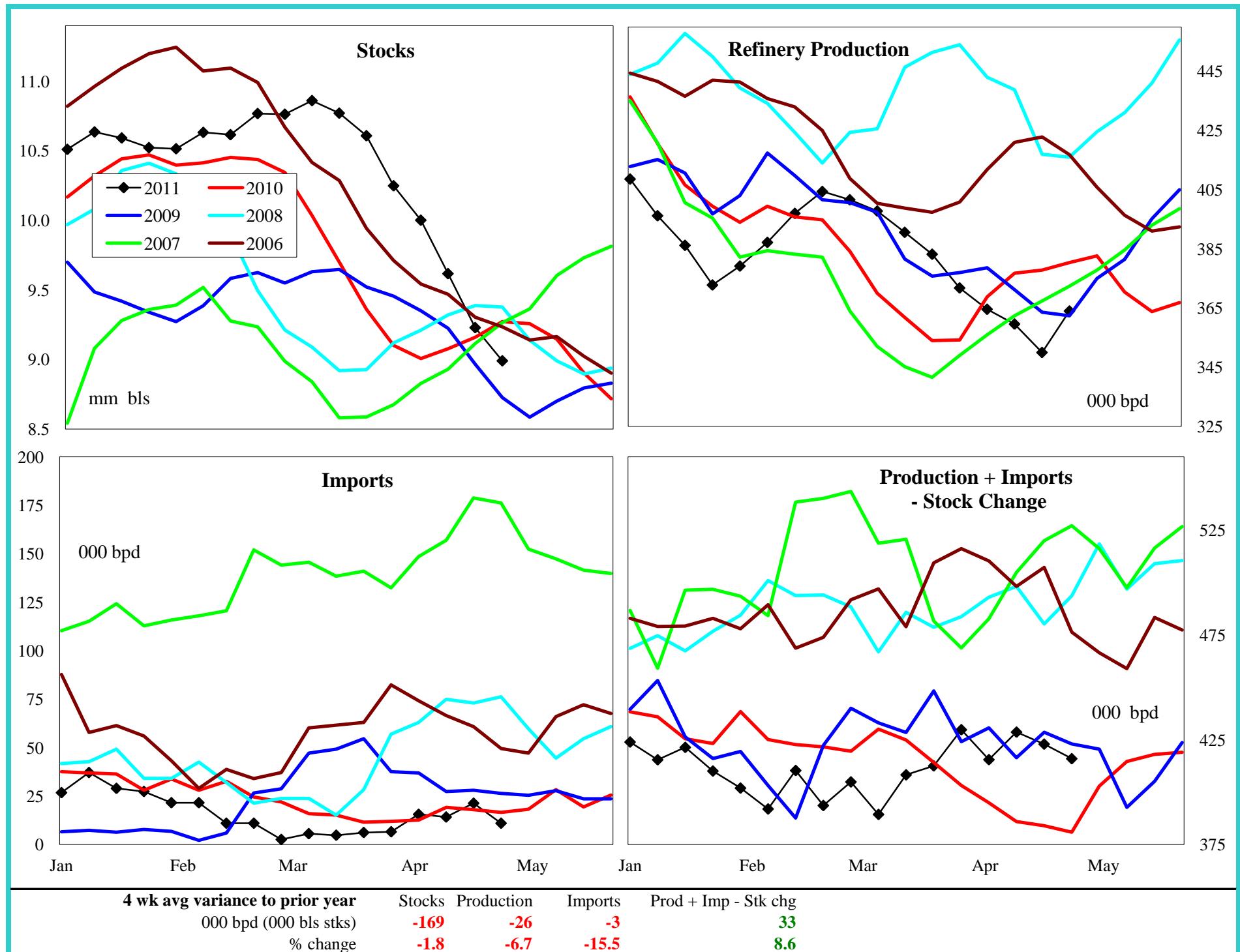
## PADD 5 Reformulated Gasoline Supply



## PADD 5 Conventional Gasoline Supply



**PADD 5 Distillate Supply**

**PADD 5 Jet Fuel Supply**

## PADD 5 Residual Fuel Oil Supply

