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The Agreements on a green Denmark and the Danish plans for afforestation towards 2045

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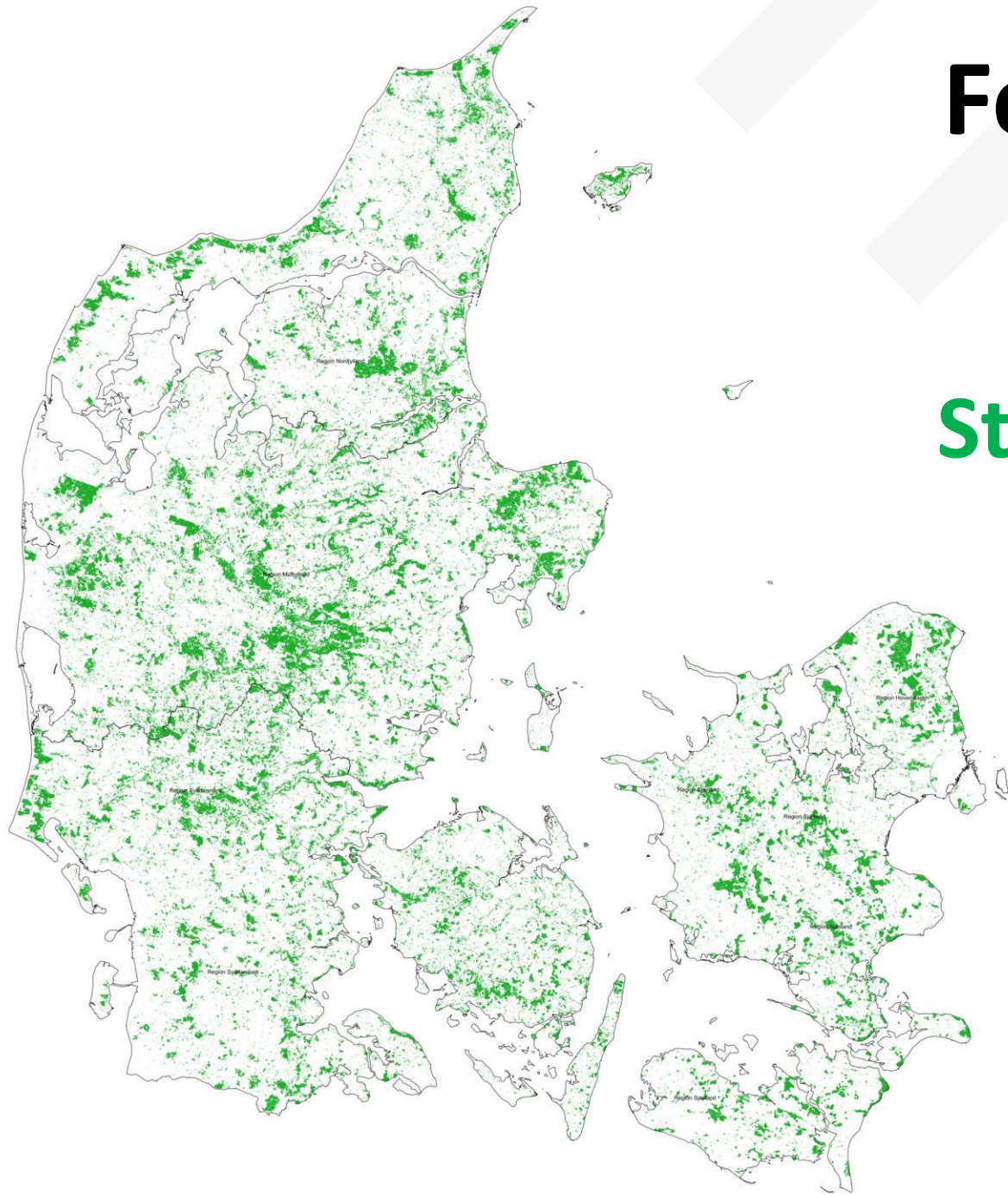
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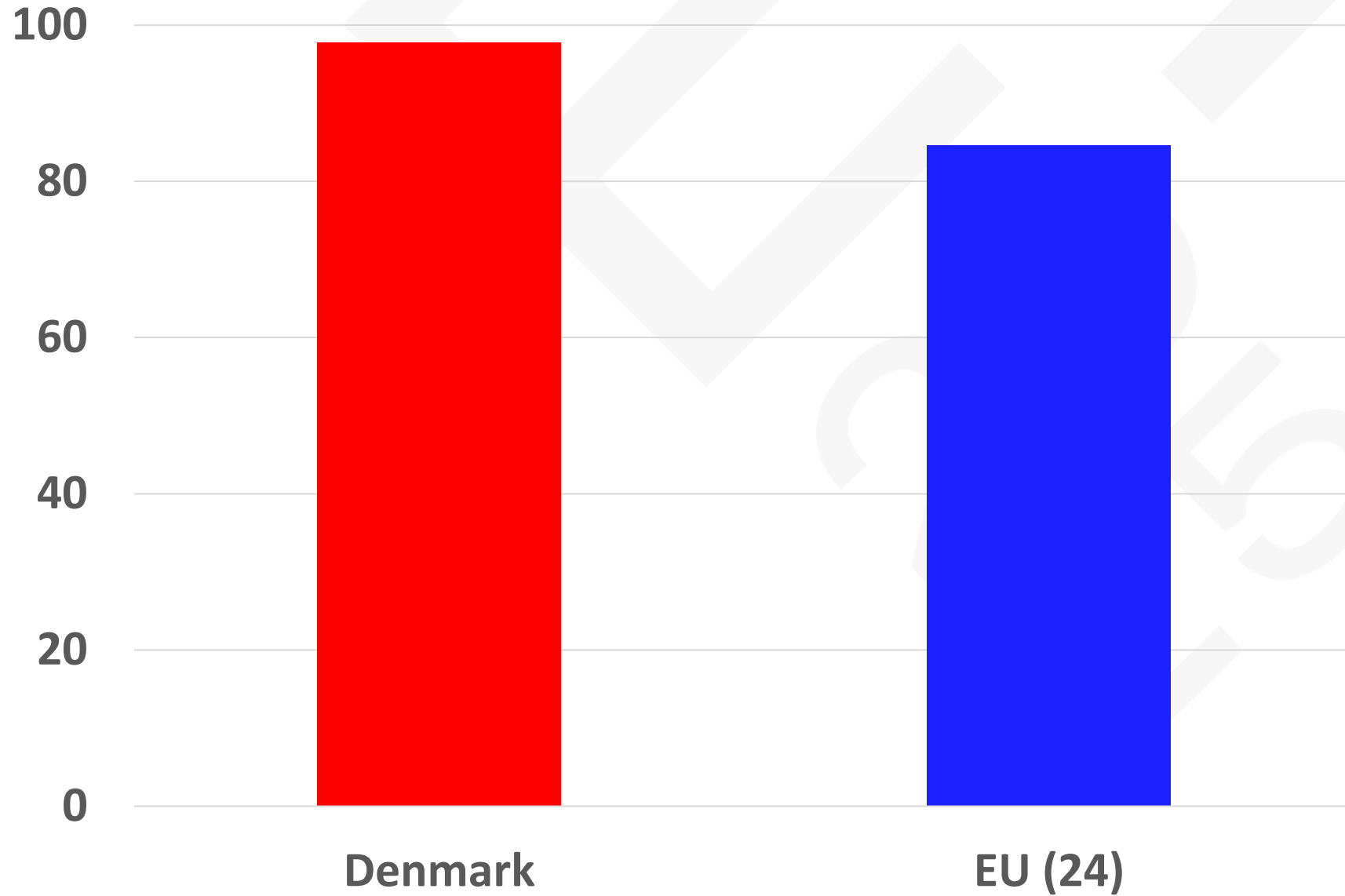
Forests in Denmark

Status (2022): 15 pct.



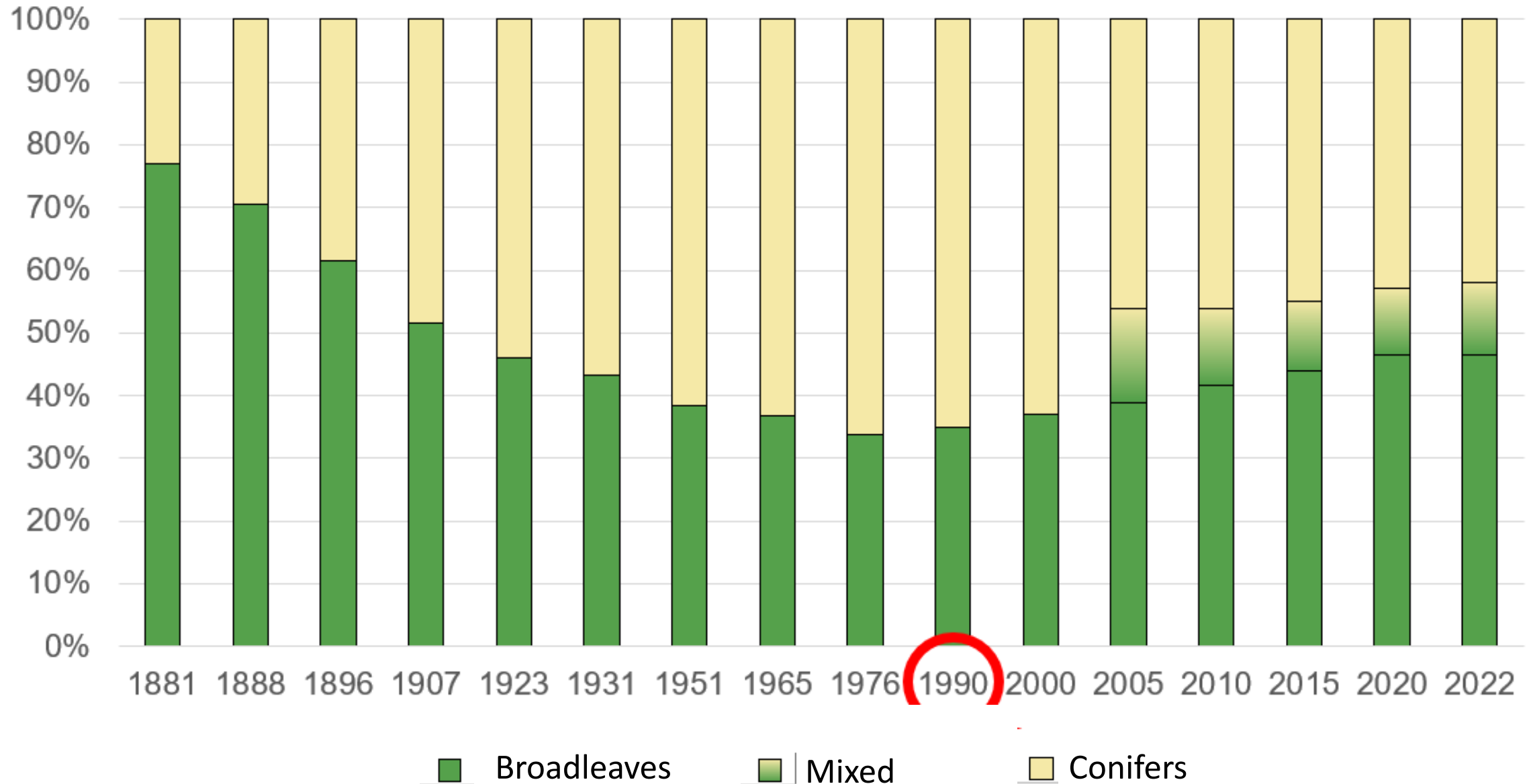
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Forest available for wood supply (pct.)

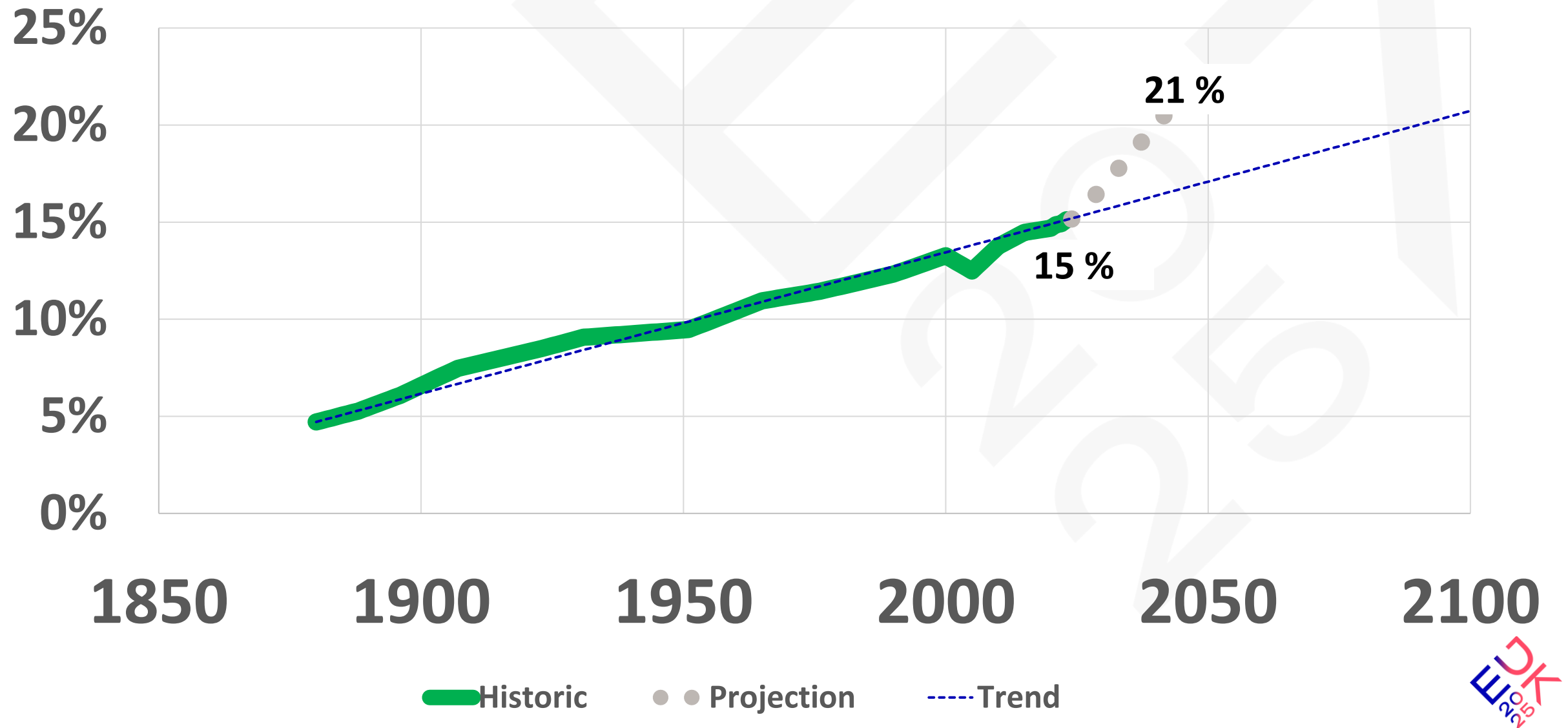


Source: State of Europe's Forests 2020

Distribution of conifers and broadleaves (%)



Forest cover DENMARK



The Danish Government's program statement

- Present a plan for establishing 250.000 hectares of new forest in Denmark.
- Opt for synergies between the many different objectives for new forests.
- Recognise also the need for necessary trade offs.
- Identify central actors and funds
- Strive for large contributions from private actors.



BIG FIVE - key objectives for afforestation in Denmark

CO₂ reductions



Nature and
biodiversity



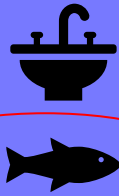
Outdoor
recreation



Sustainable
wood
production



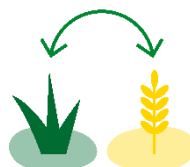
Protection of
water



Agreements on a Green Denmark

Key objectives

- Climate solution for Danish agriculture
- A comprehensive plan for a better aquatic environment
- Forward-looking and sustainable agriculture sector
- Afforestation, nature and biodiversity

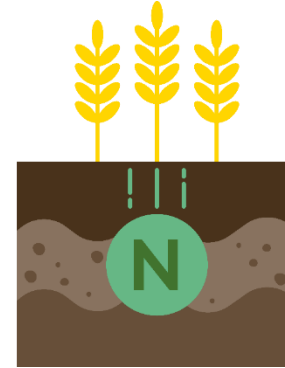


Primary measures

- Denmark's Green Land Fund
- New Nitrogen Regulation of farm activities
- 23 local green agreement groups established in charge of local transformation plans
- Tax on emissions from carbon-rich low-lying soils and agricultural lime introduced in 2028
- World's first climate tax on greenhouse gas emissions from livestock to be introduced in 2030

Denmark's Green Land Fund

Funding efforts aiming at reducing nitrogen emissions to the aquatic environment, reducing CO₂-emissions and creating more nature [and forest]

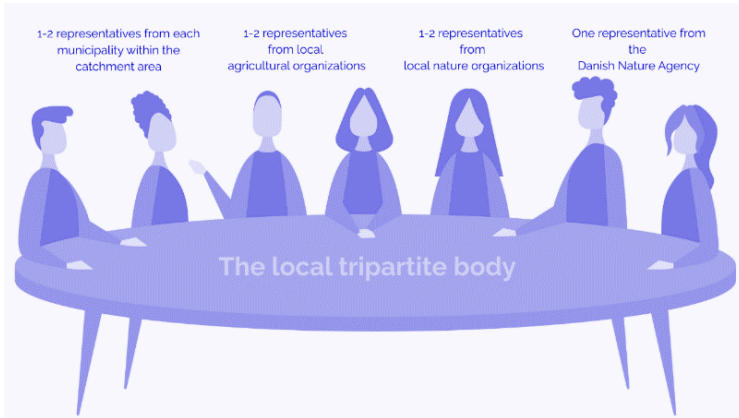


A total of 43 billion DKK ~5.8 billion €, financed by the Danish state budget

Additional funding from re-allocations and reserves from the EU Common Agricultural Policy (~5,3 billion DKK) and private foundations till 2027



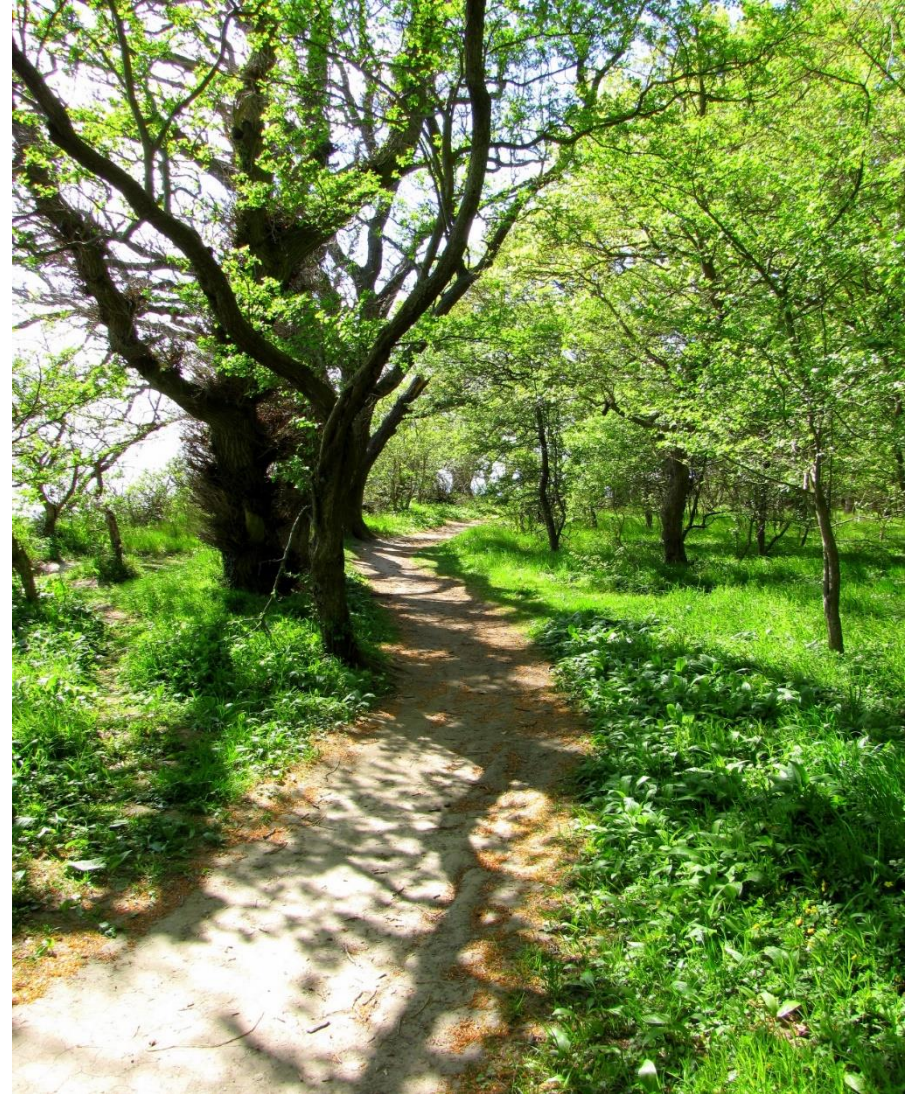
Implementation – local anchoring through 23 local green partnerships



- Representatives from local agricultural and nature organizations, the municipalities and the Danish Nature Agency
- Obligated to decide a local transformation plan by end of 2025 on how to locally achieve the political goals in the Agreement on a Green Denmark
- Eight transformation plans have already been approved in the local green agreement groups

The Green Agreement and afforestation

- 2,95 billion € for afforestation in 2025-2045
- Get started as soon as possible
- Grant scheme for private afforestation
 - Aprox 10.000 € / ha
 - Aprox 2.000 € / ha extra premium for set aside
- State afforestation in collaboration with municipalities and water supply companies

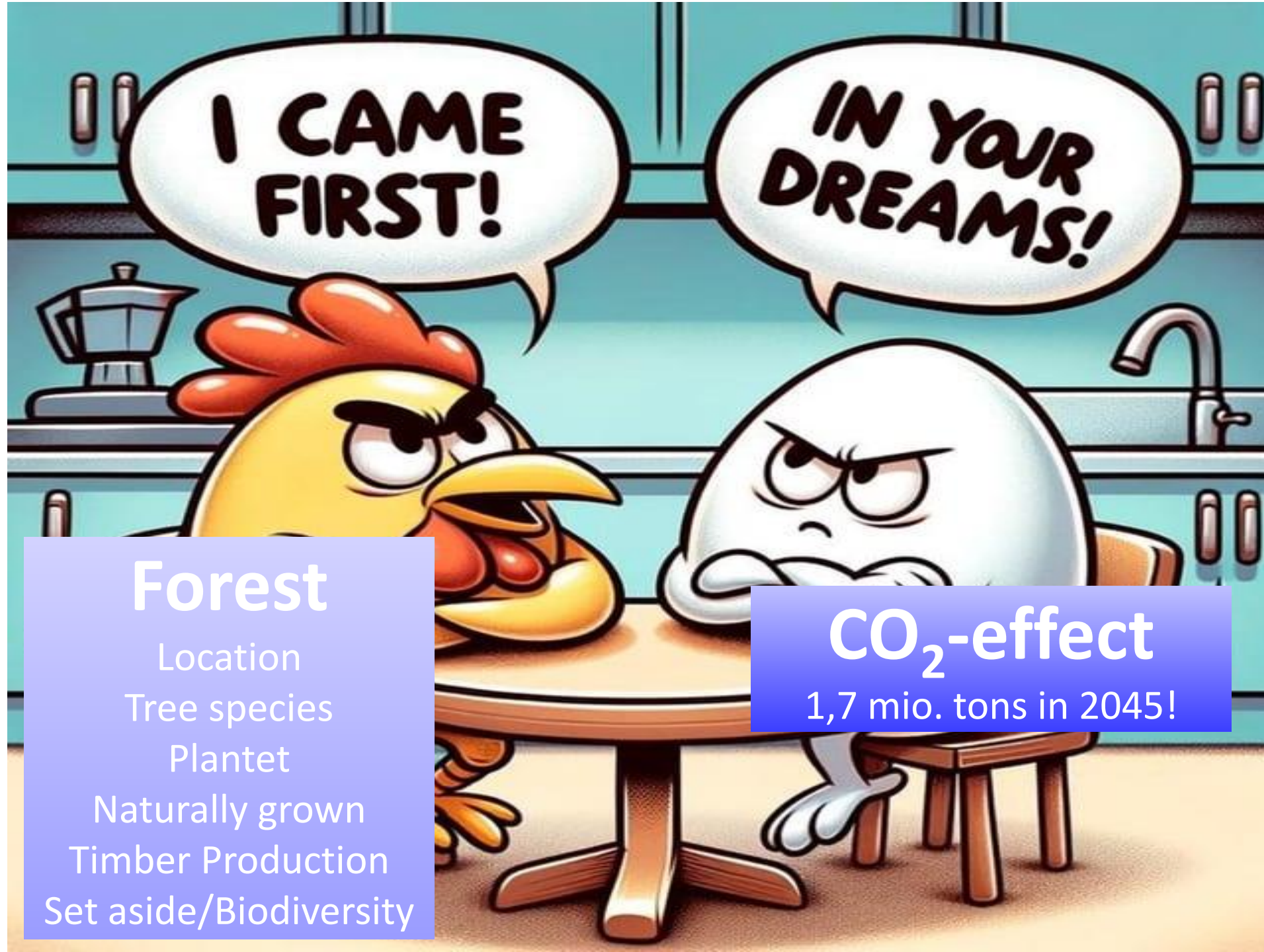


Afforestation – key numbers

- 150.000 ha private forest
- 80.000 ha privat set aside forest
- 20.000 ha state set aside forest
- 250.000 ha new additional forest

This comes on top of already planned and financed afforestation prior the launch of the agreements





Forest

Location
Tree species
Plantet
Naturally grown
Timber Production
Set aside/Biodiversity

CO₂-effect

1,7 mio. tons in 2045!

A black stick figure stands in a forest, scratching its head with its right hand. Above the figure is a thought bubble containing the text "1 billion trees?". The forest background consists of various green trees, including tall evergreens and a bare deciduous tree in the center. The ground is a solid green silhouette.

**1 billion
trees?**

Questions?

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Thank you

