

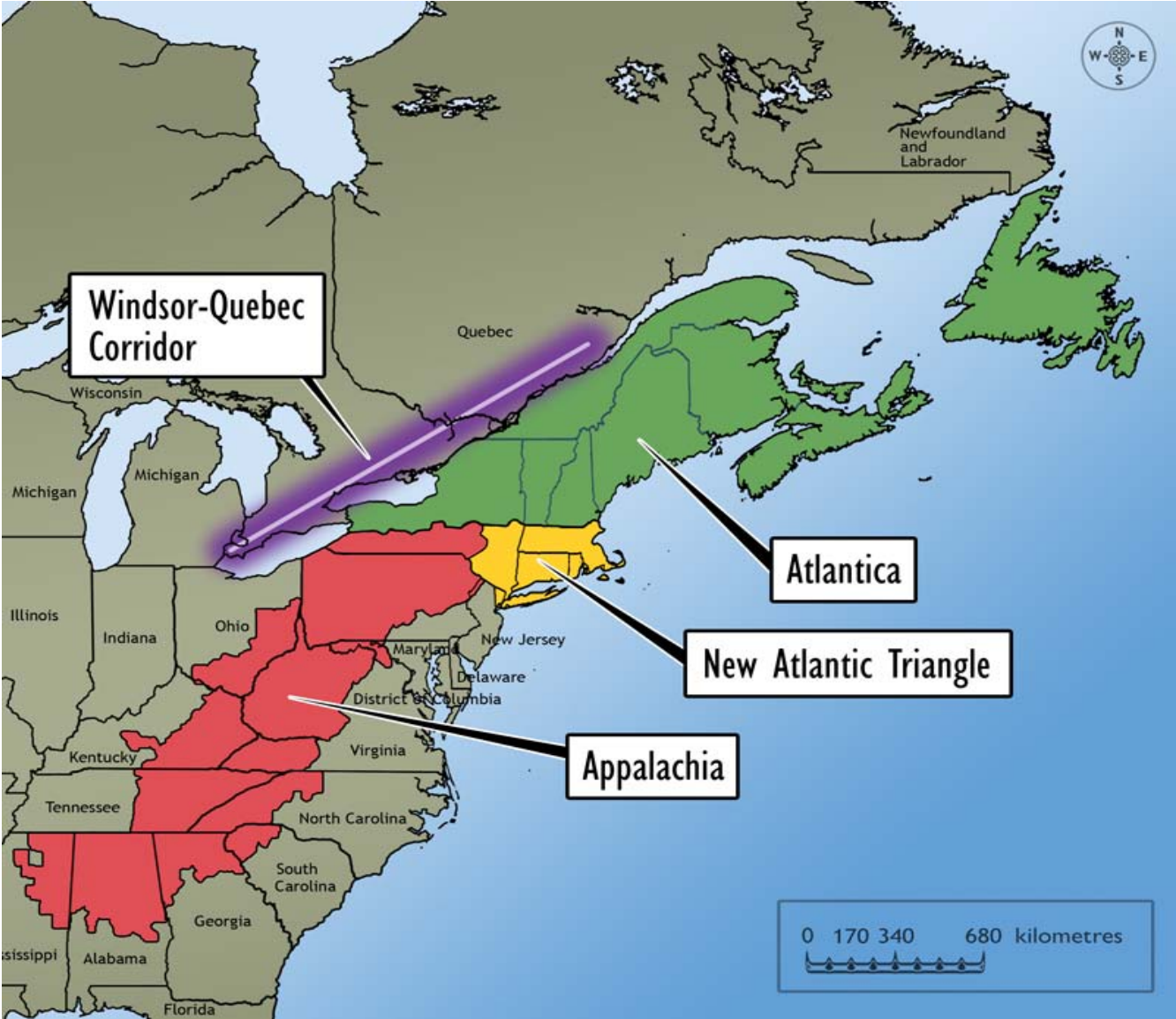
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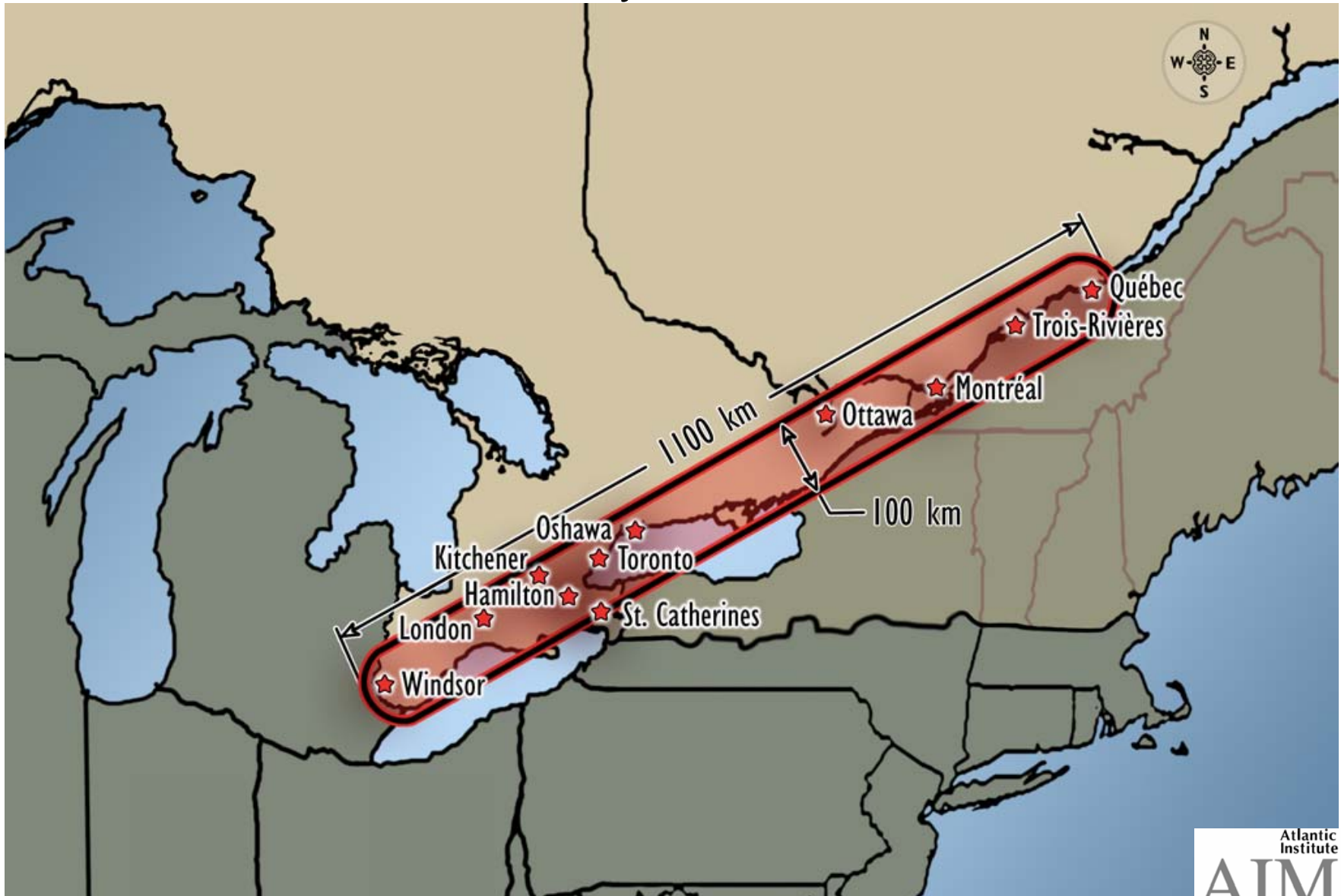
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Atlantica: the intersection of three major North American regions



The Quebec City – Windsor Corridor

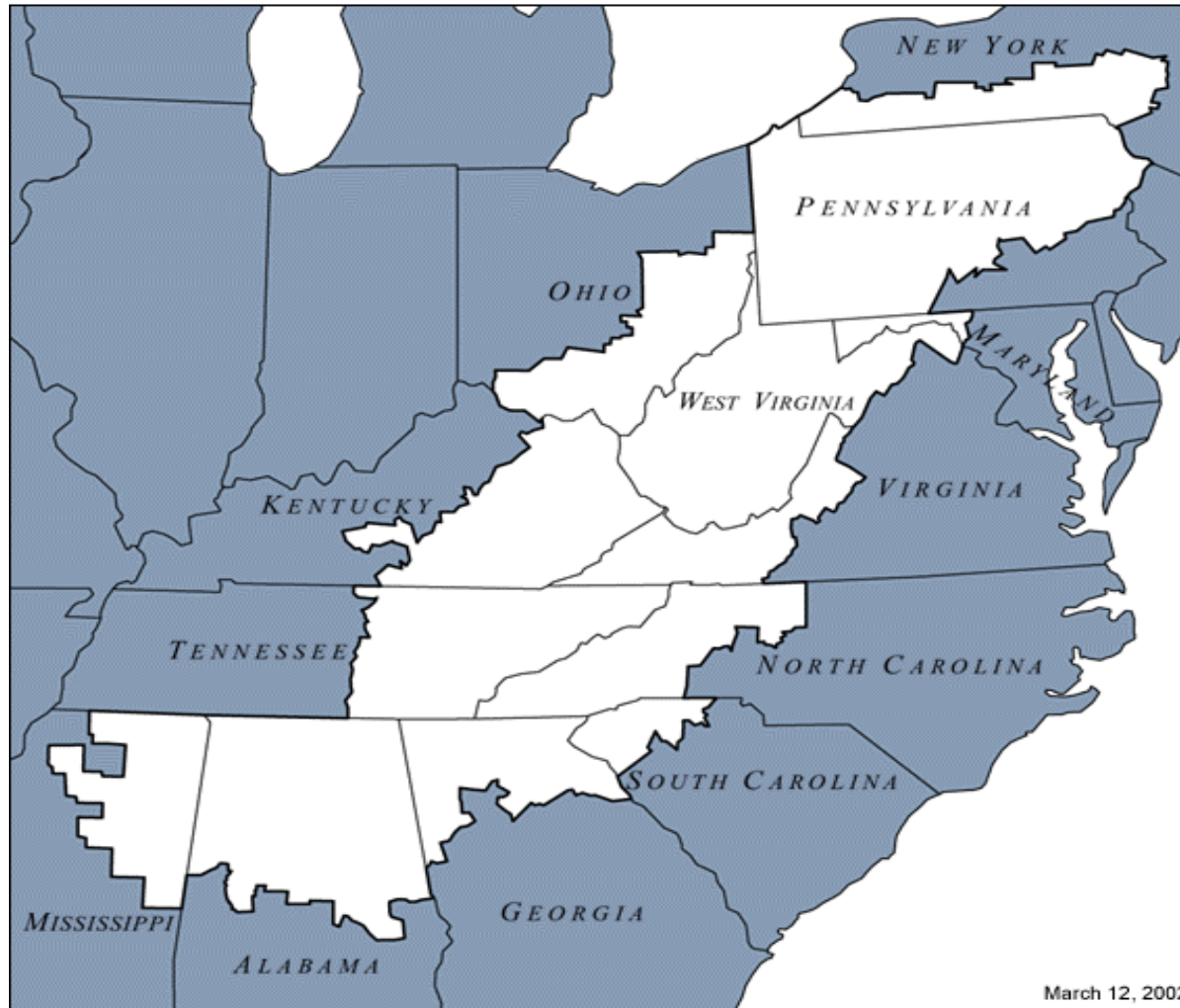


The New Atlantic Triangle



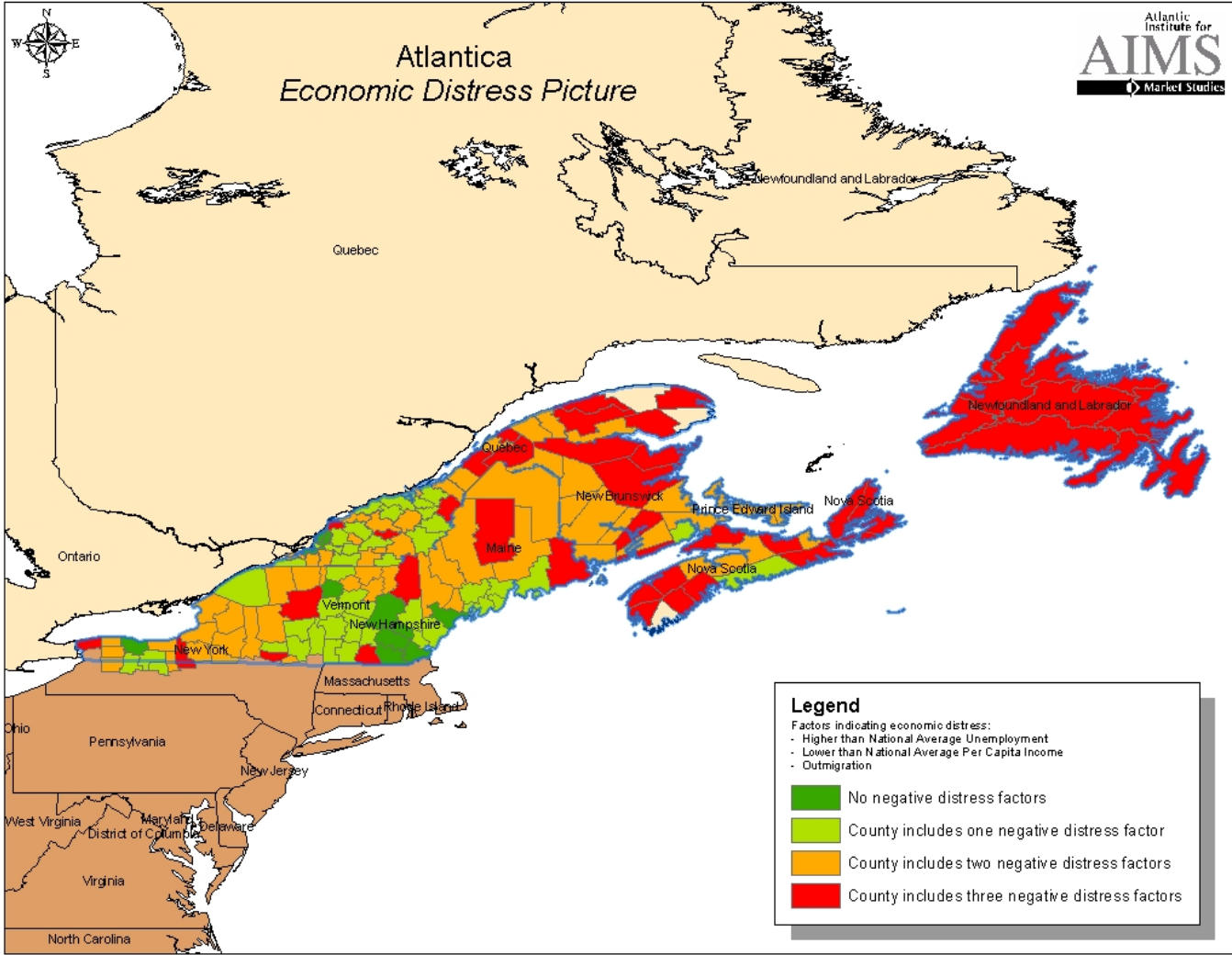
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The Appalachian Region

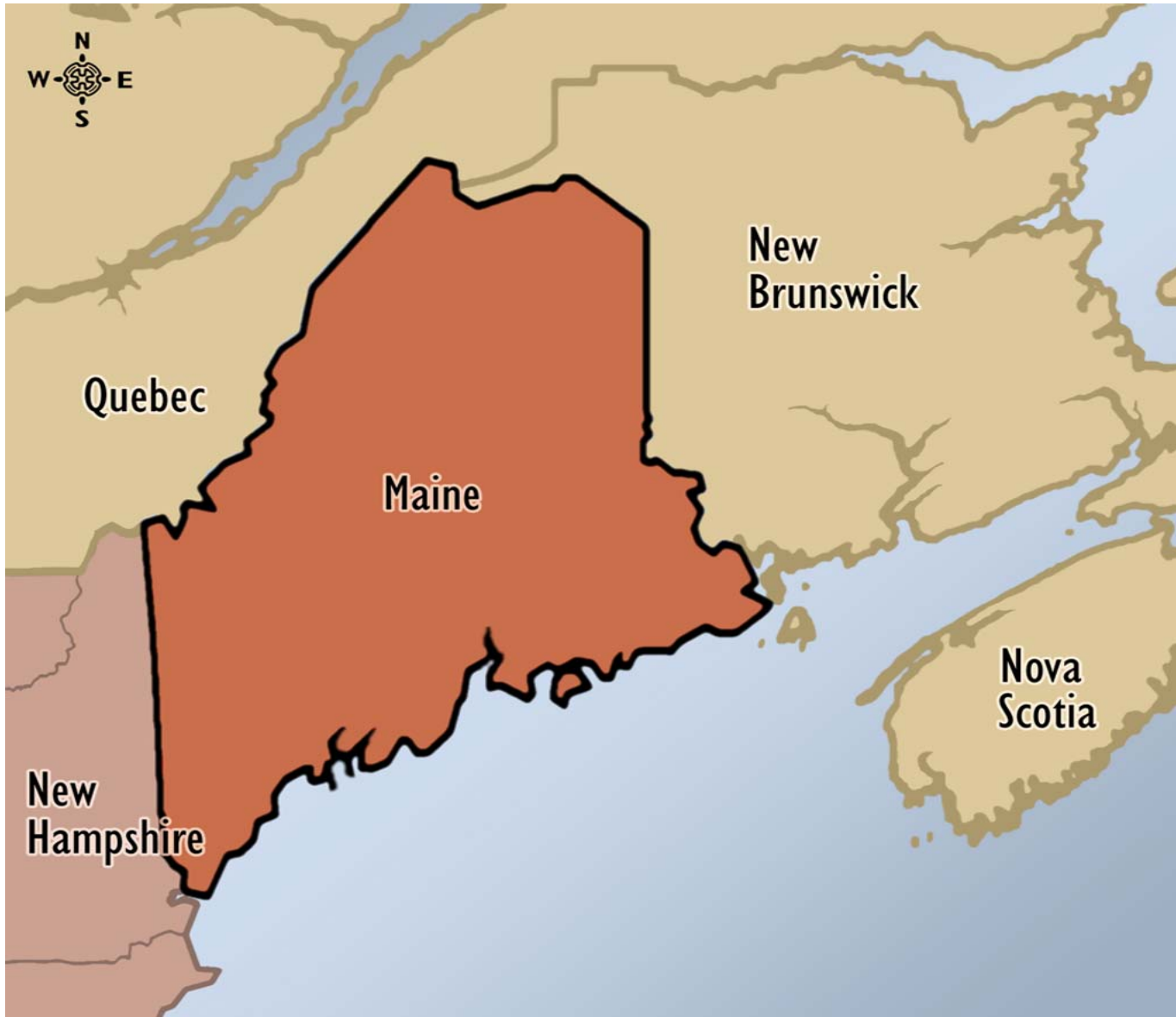


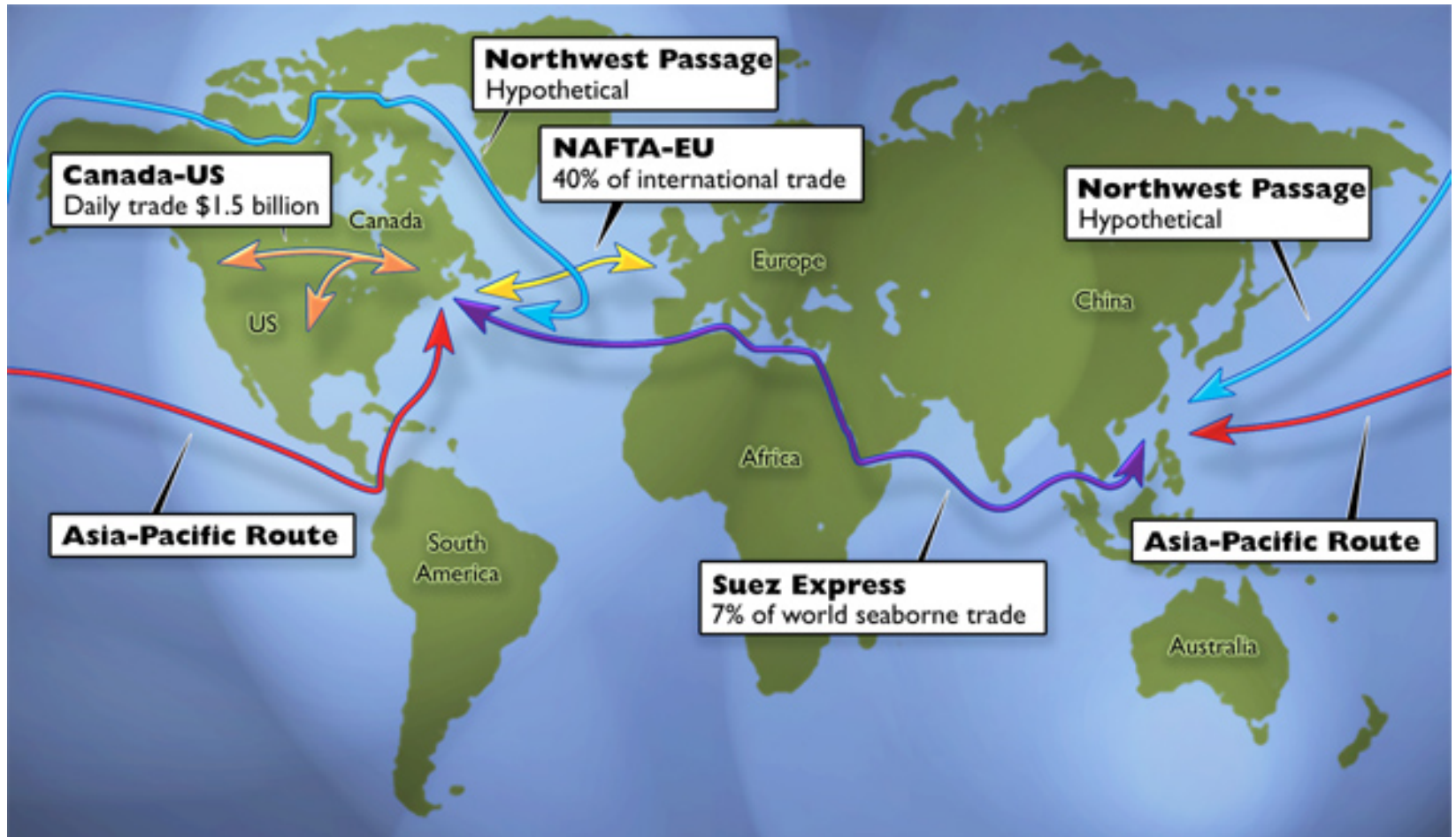
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Economic Distress Picture

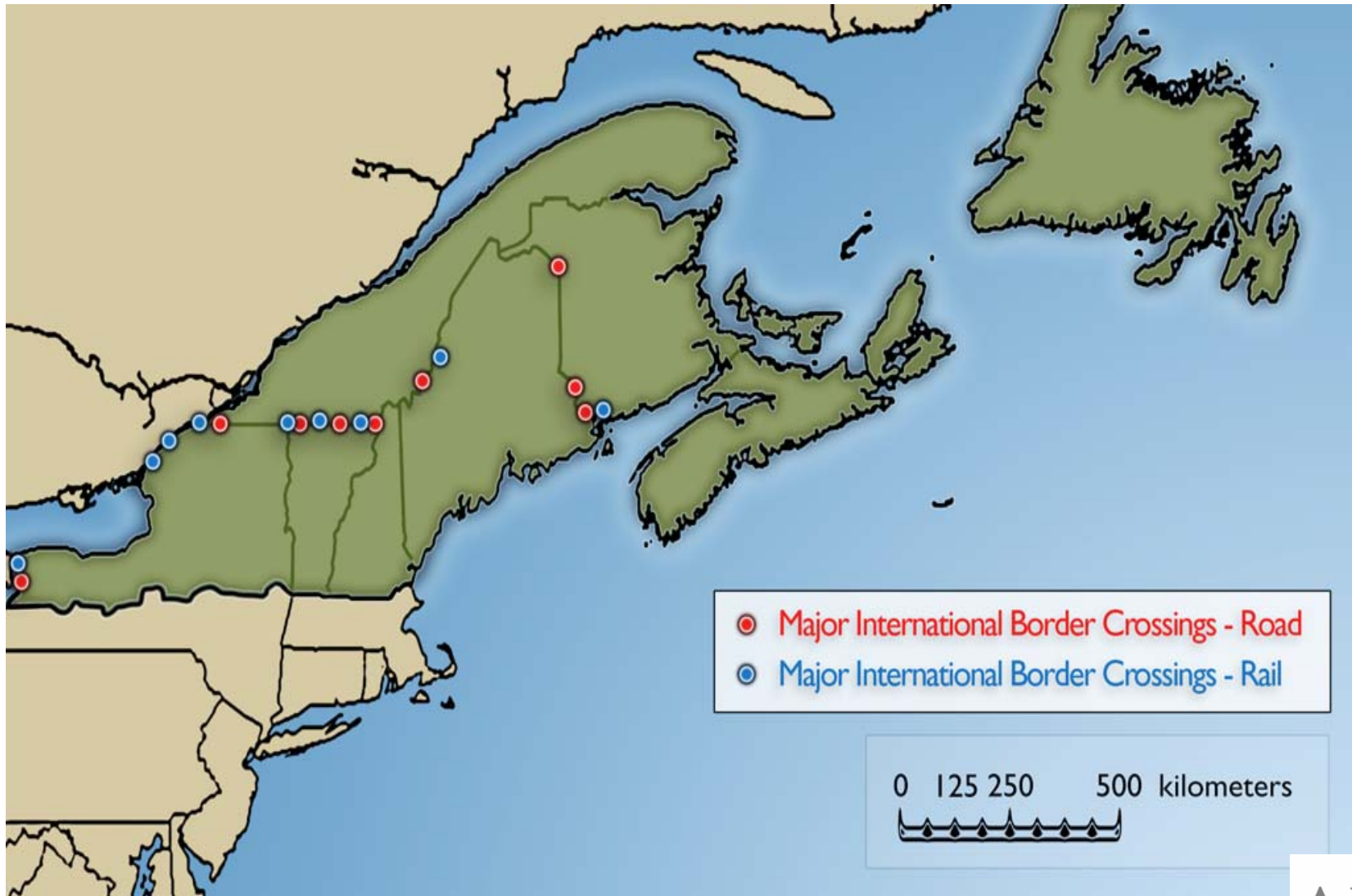


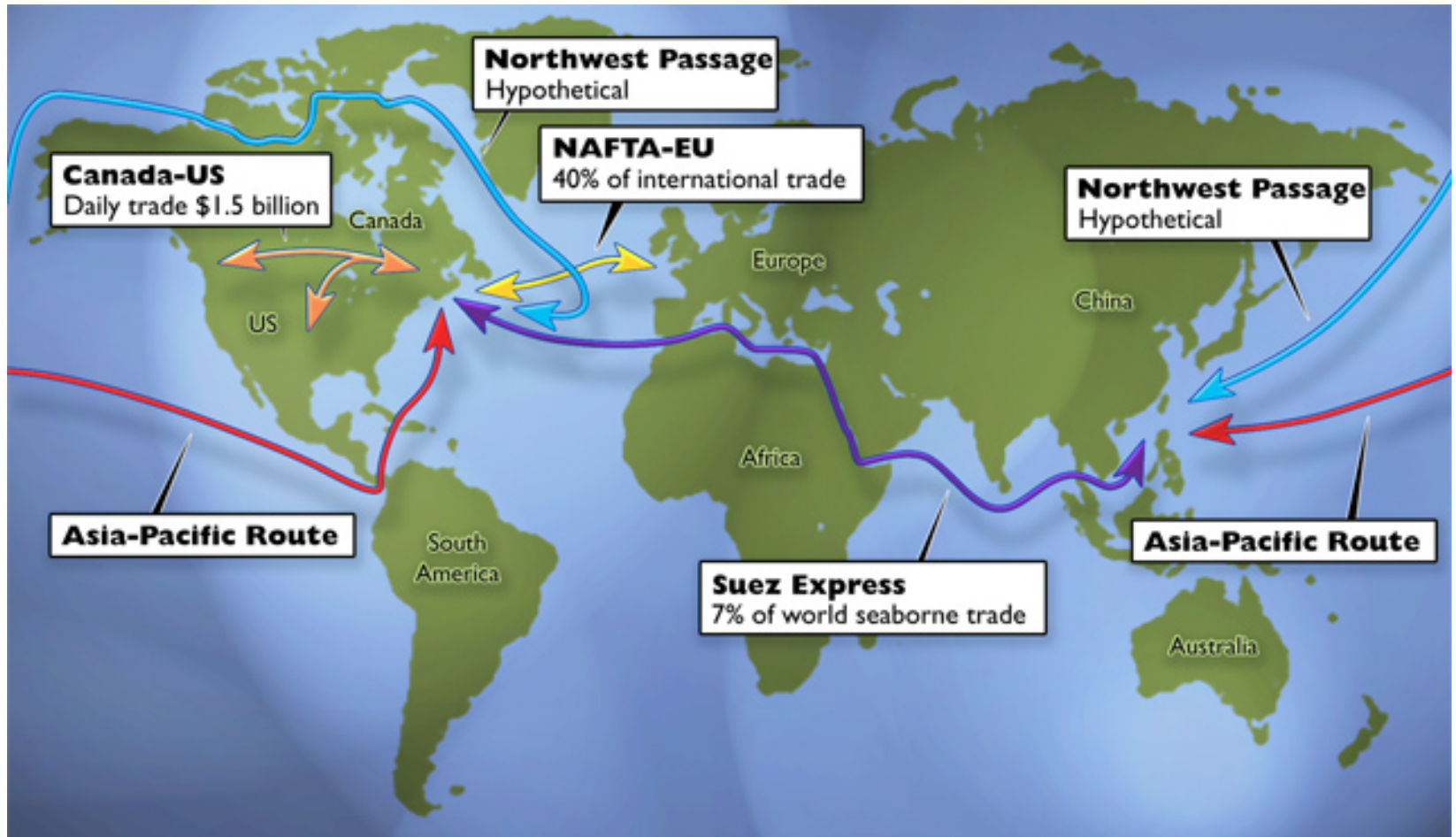
Maine surrounded by Canada



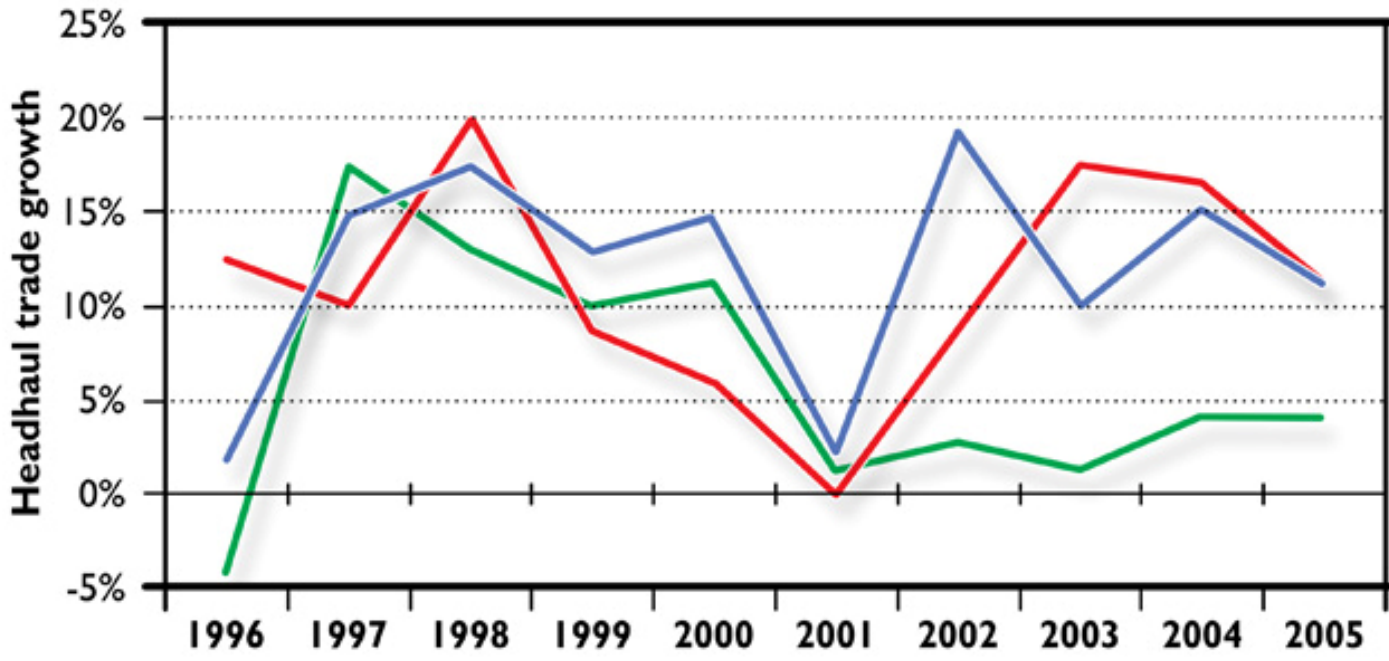


Major International Border Crossings



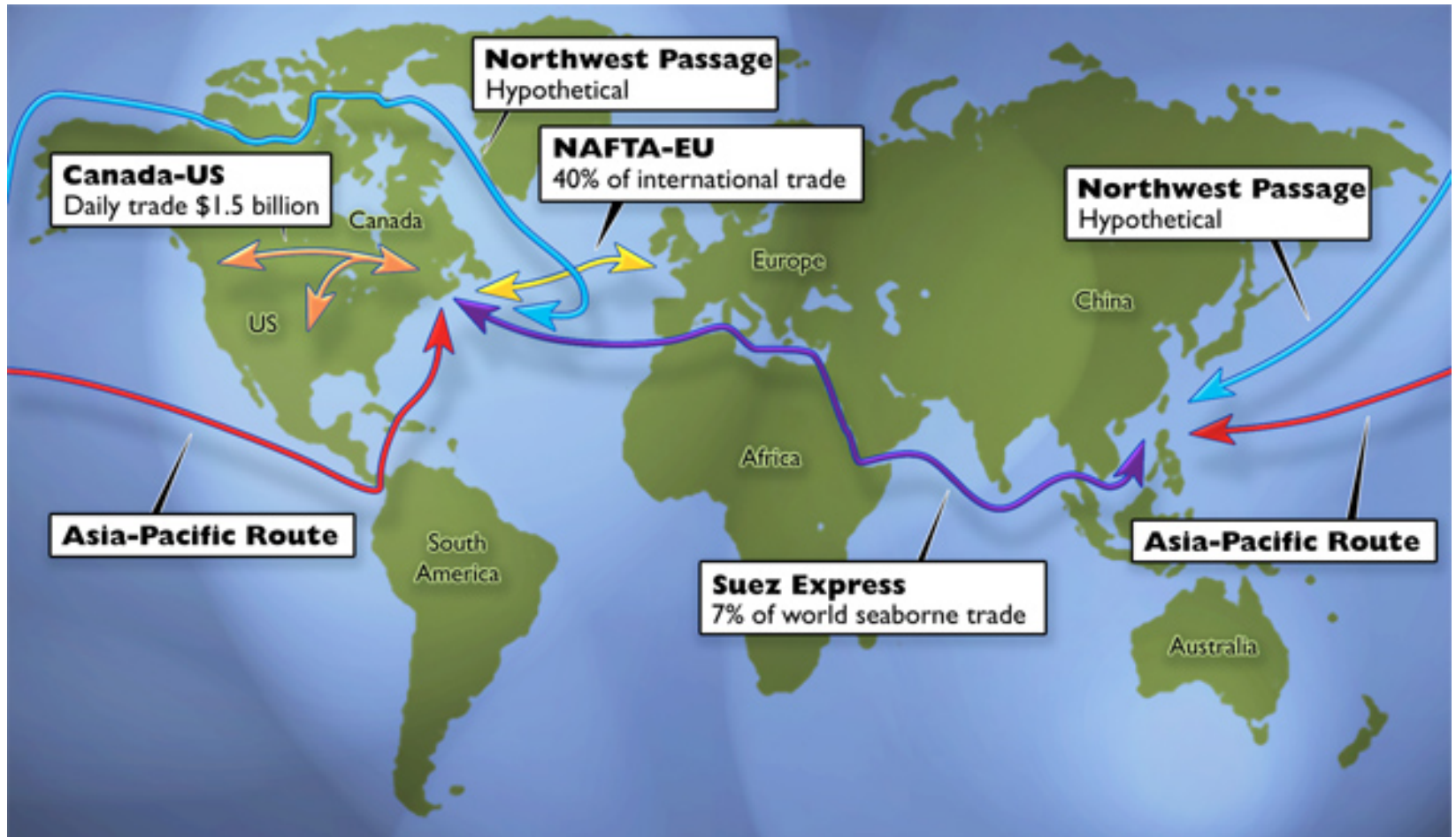


Transatlantic - the poor relation for growth

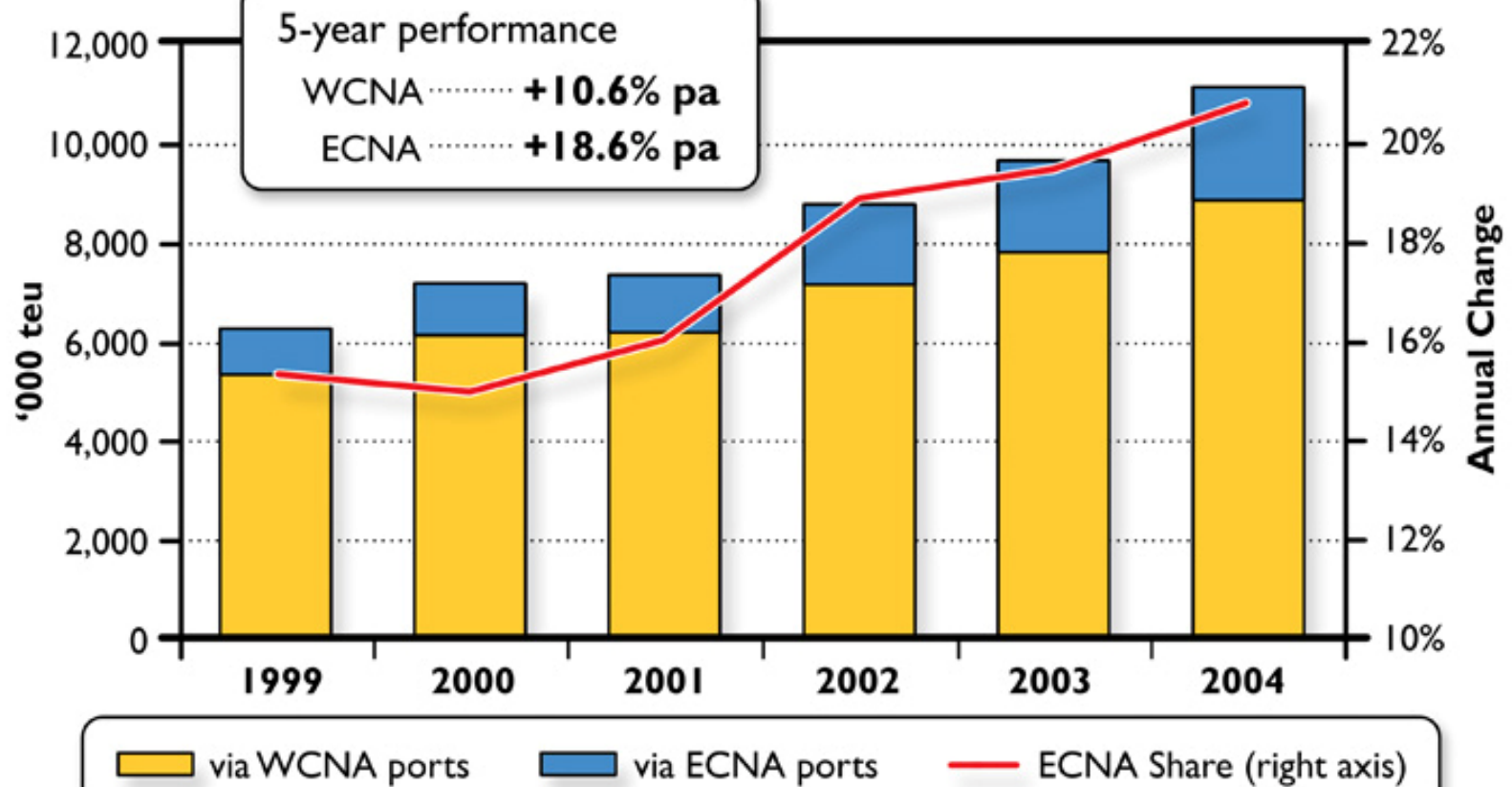


- Transpacific **+11.8 pa**
- Asia-N. Europe **+10.9% pa**
- Transatlantic **+6% pa**

Source: Drewry Shipping Consultants Ltd.

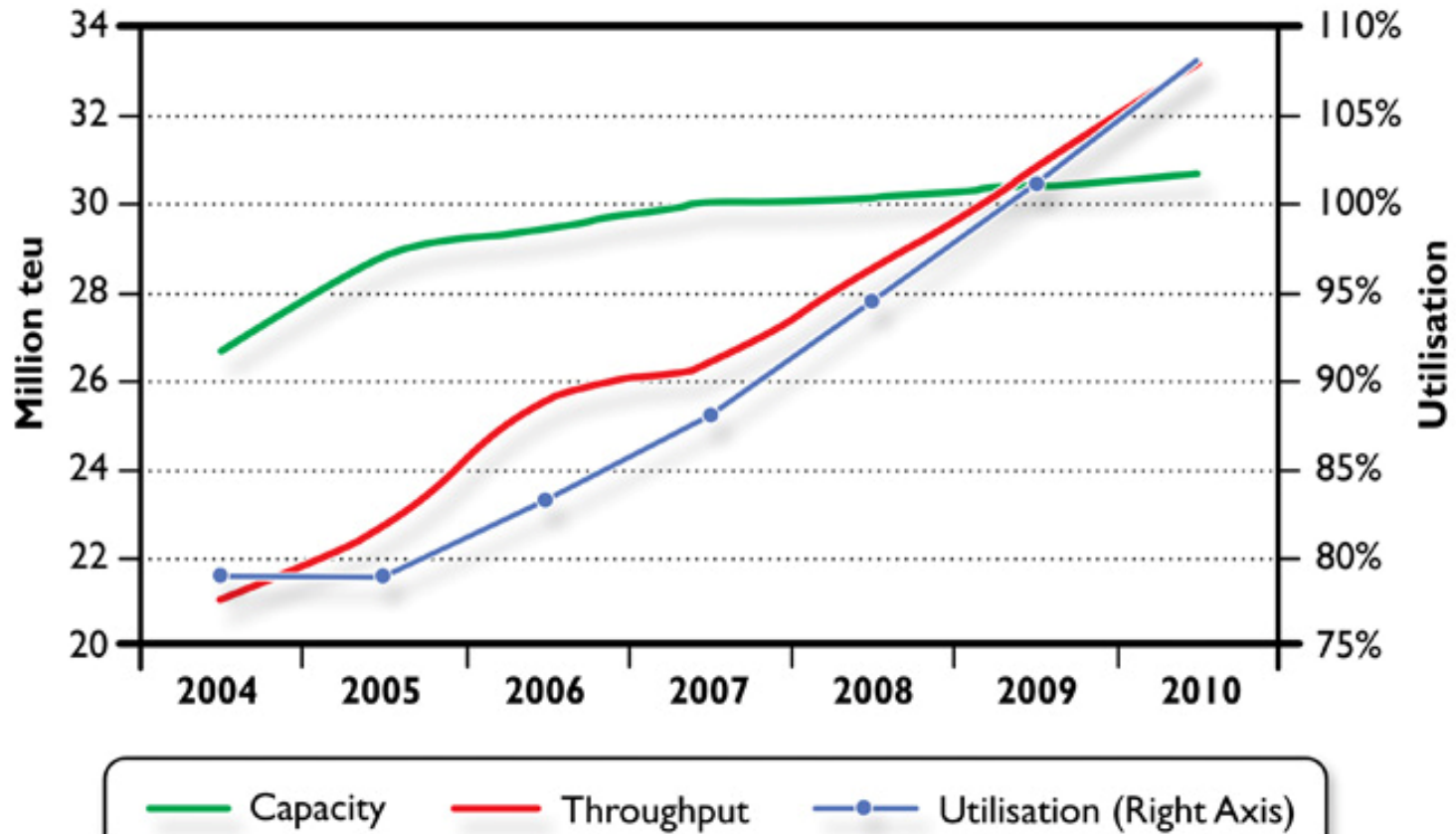


Trans-Pacific eastbound traffic volumes



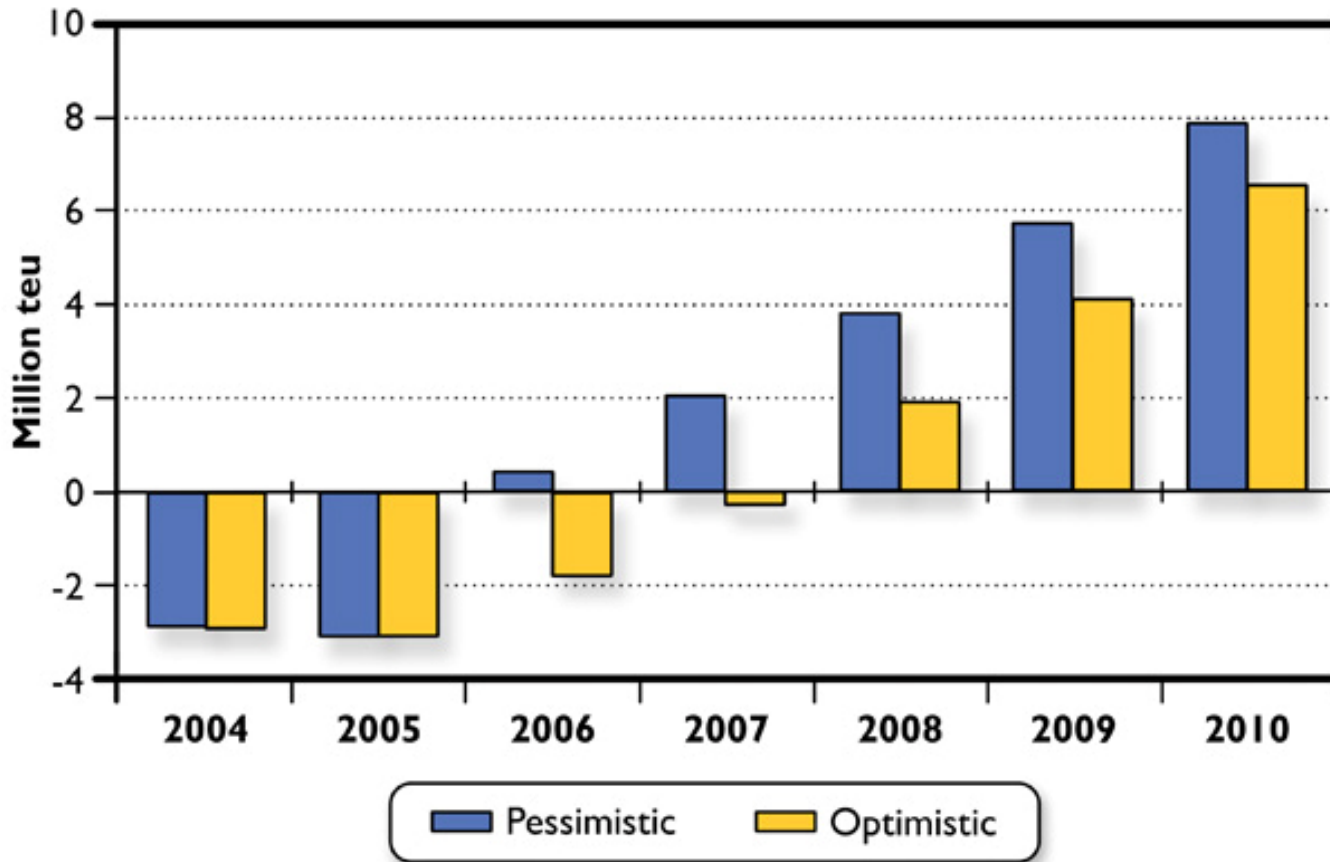
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Potential evolution of WCNA port market



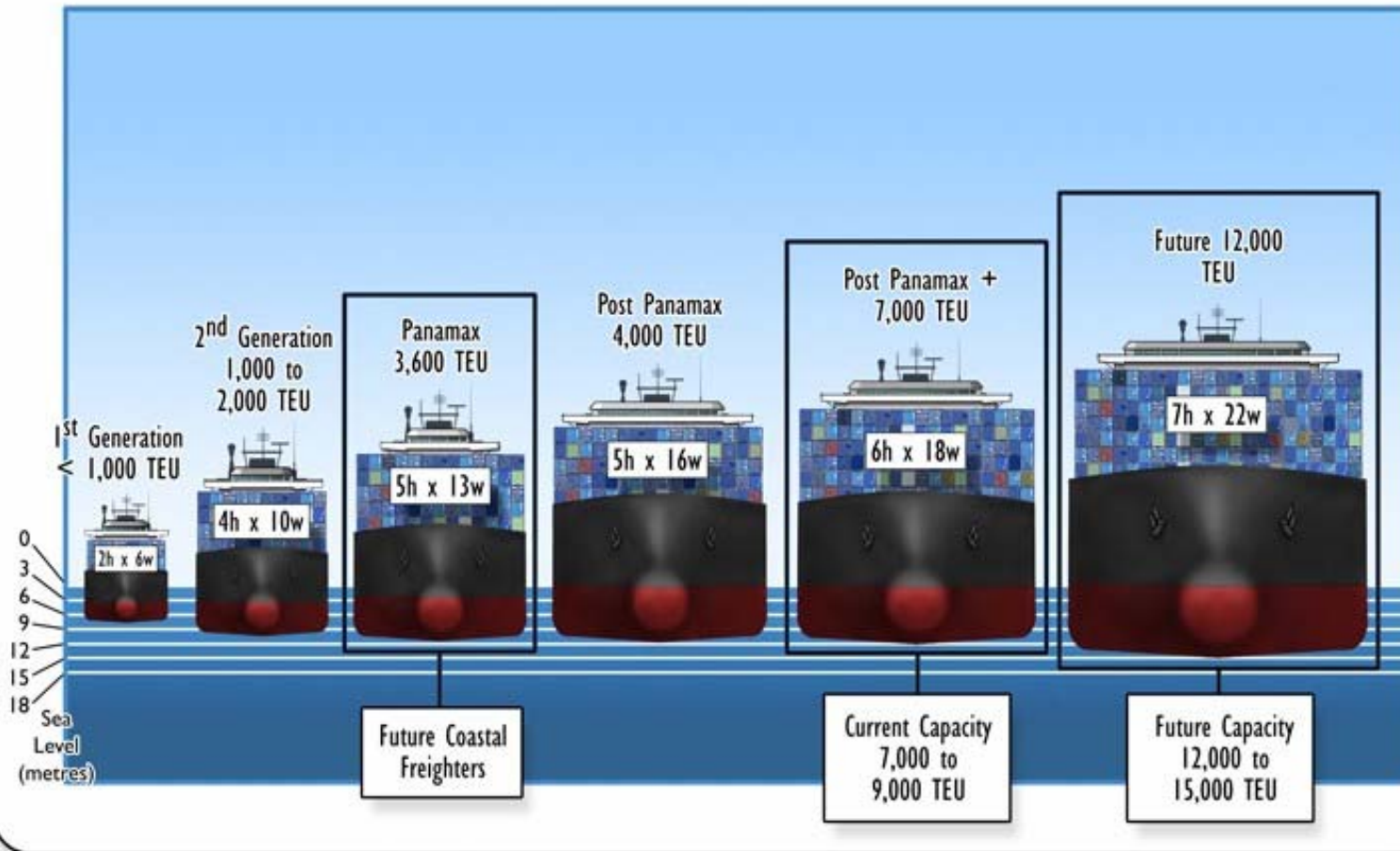
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Potential capacity shortage at WCNA ports

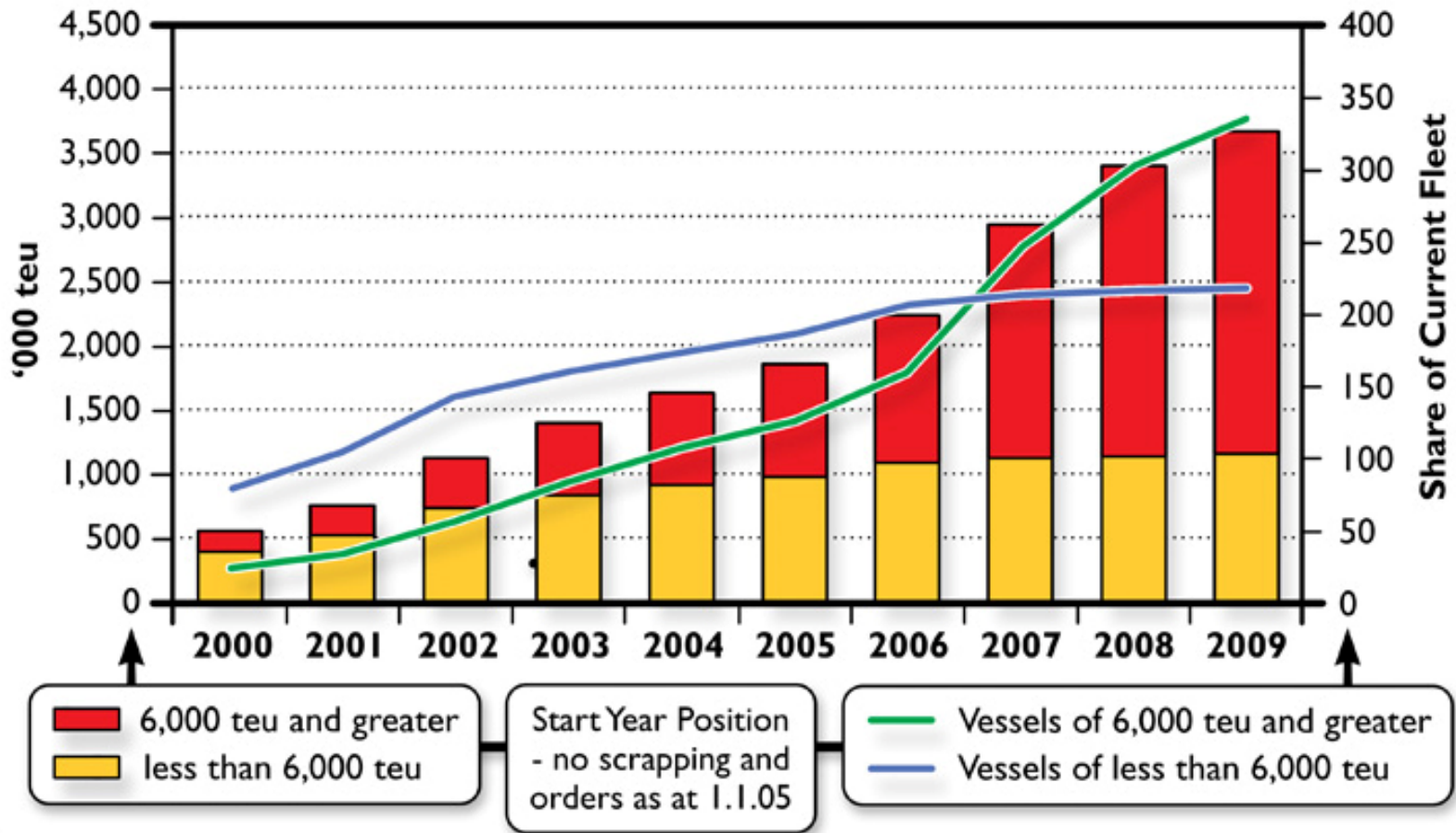


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Rapidly Escalating Vessel Size



Projected post-Panamax fleet development



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Distance is not an issue

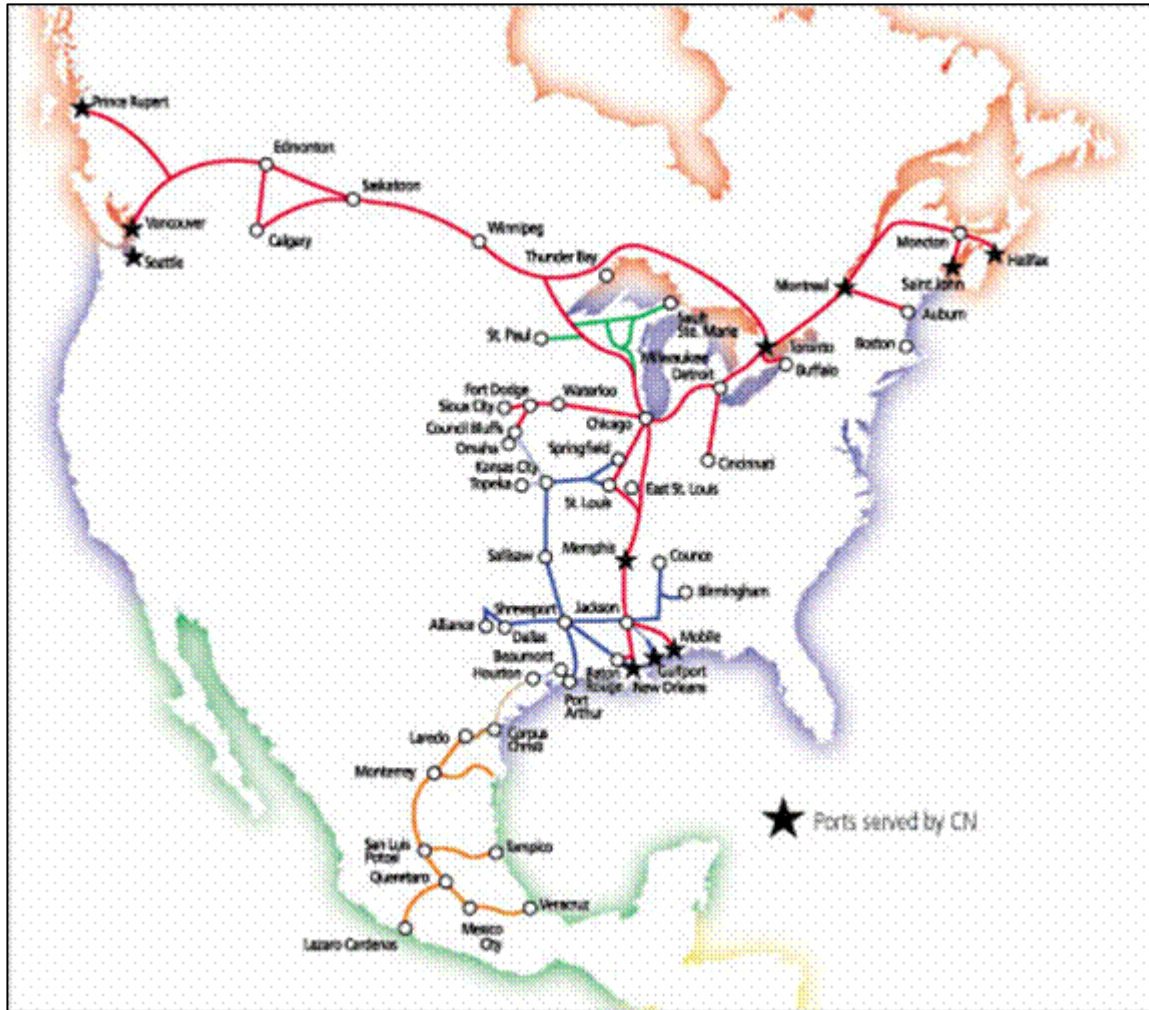


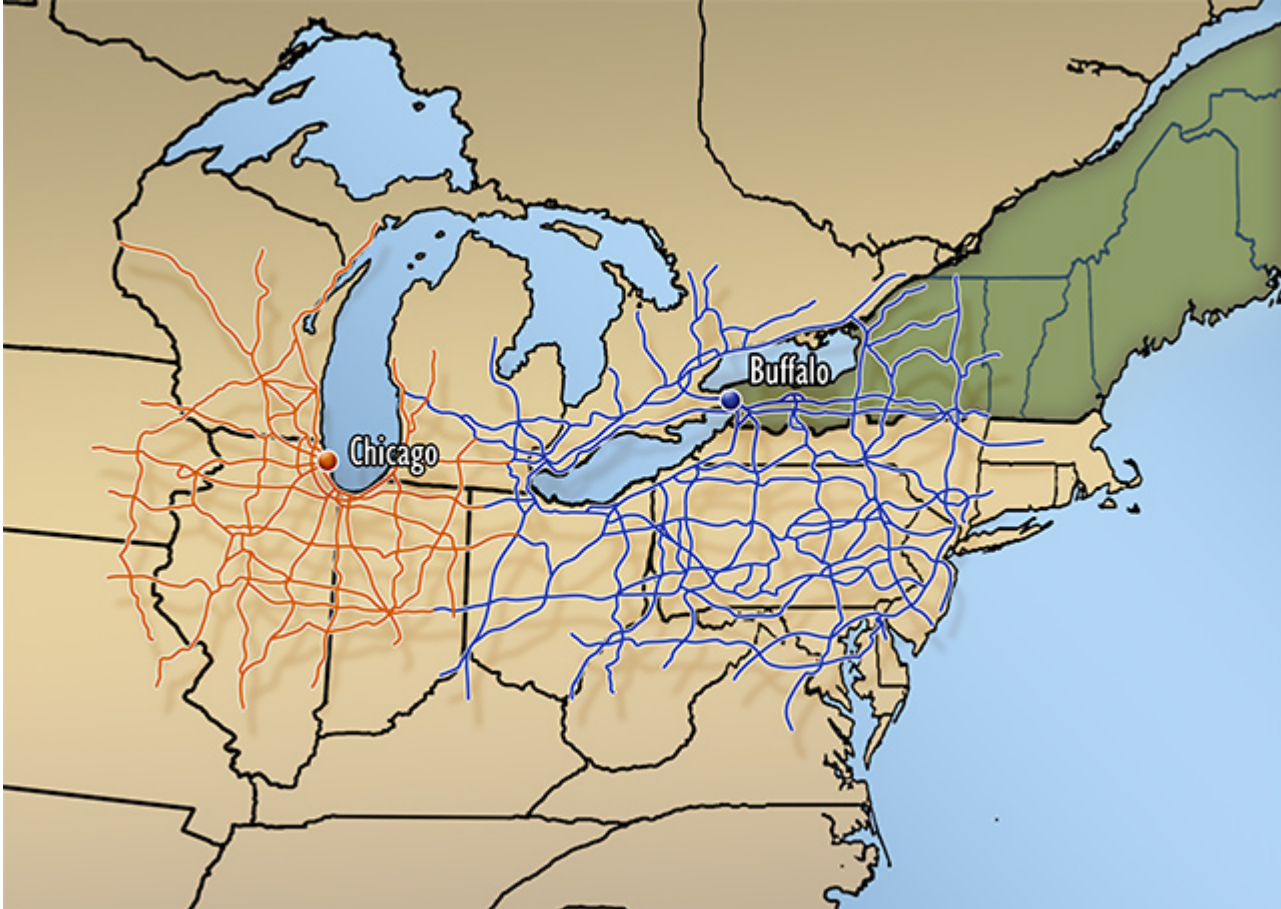
| Mileage | via Panama | via Suez |
|--------------------------|------------|----------|
| Hong Kong to New York | 11,301 | 11,632 |
| Laem Chabang to New York | 12,645 | 11,002 |

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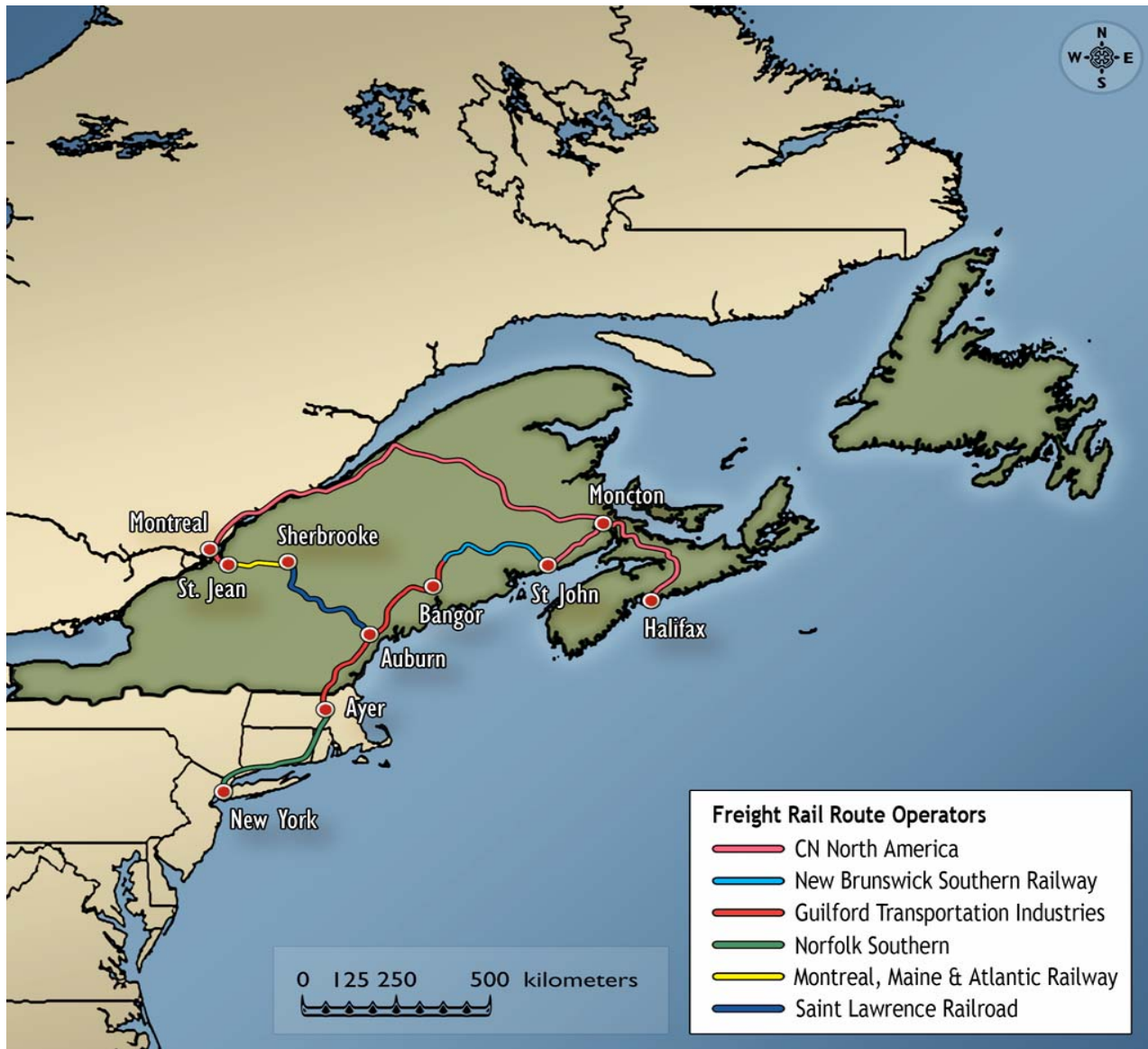
OOCL Chicago at dock in Fairview Cove



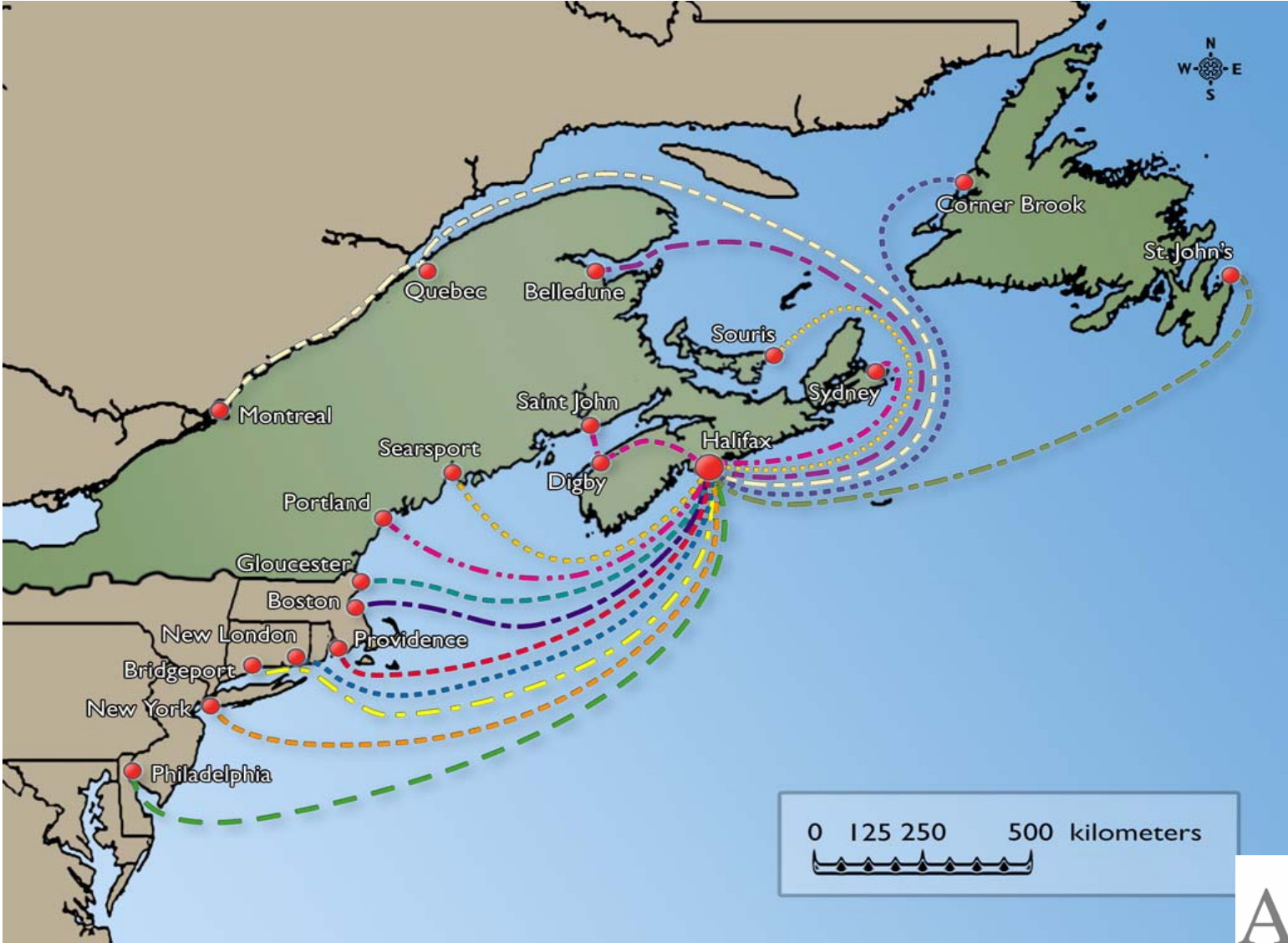


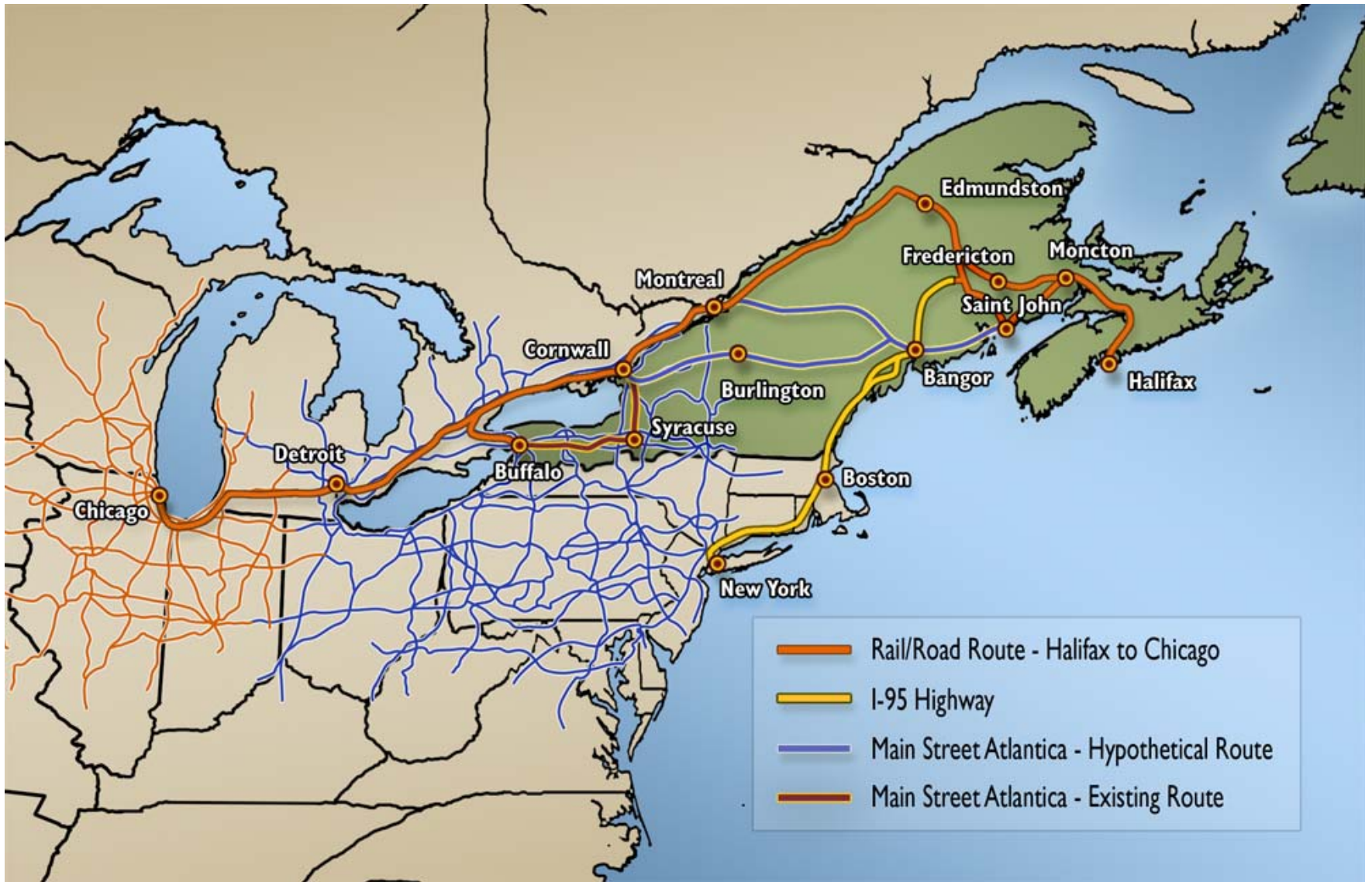


Atlantica's Fragmented Rail Connections



Potential for a fully-developed shortsea shipping network serving AINER



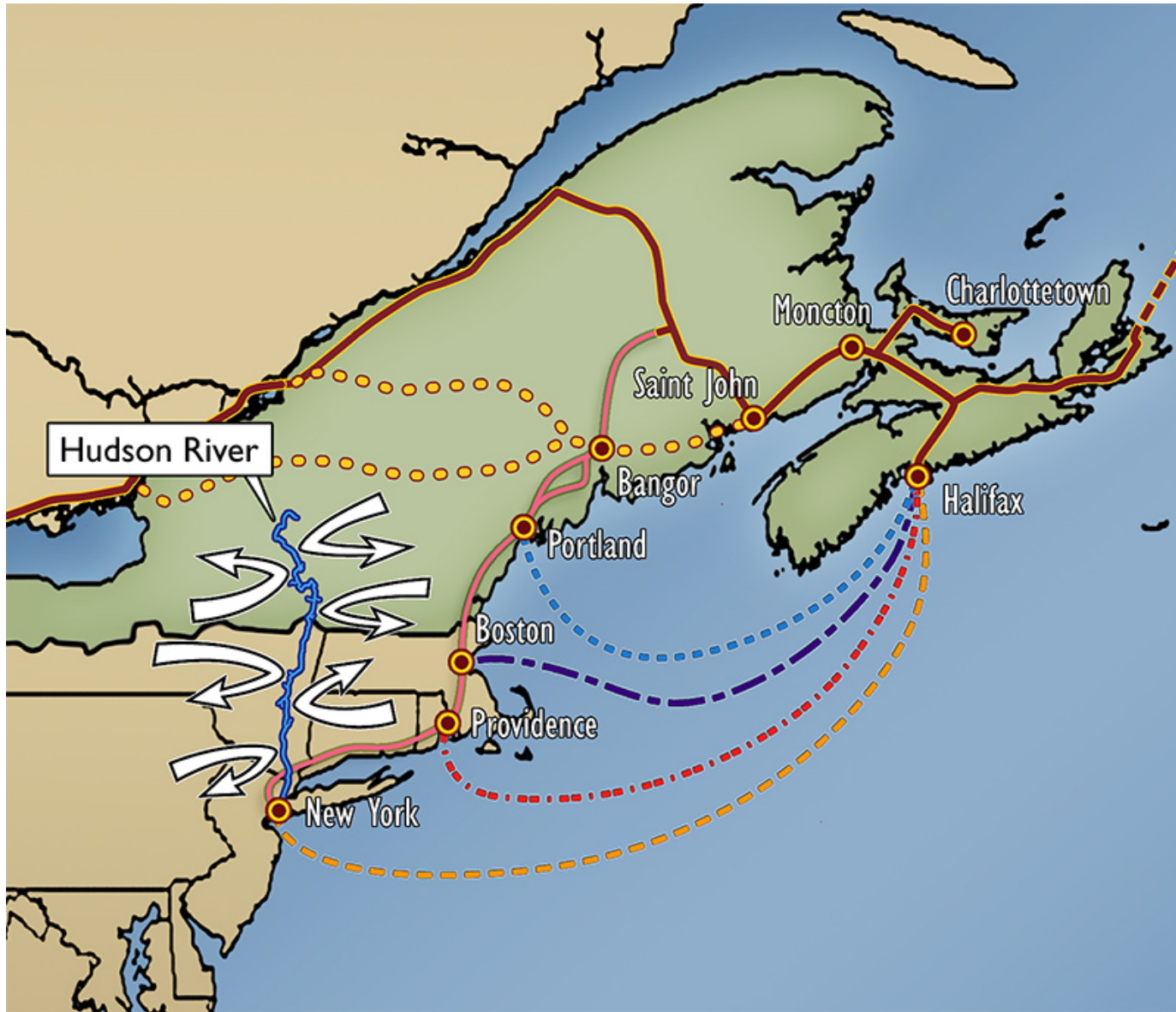


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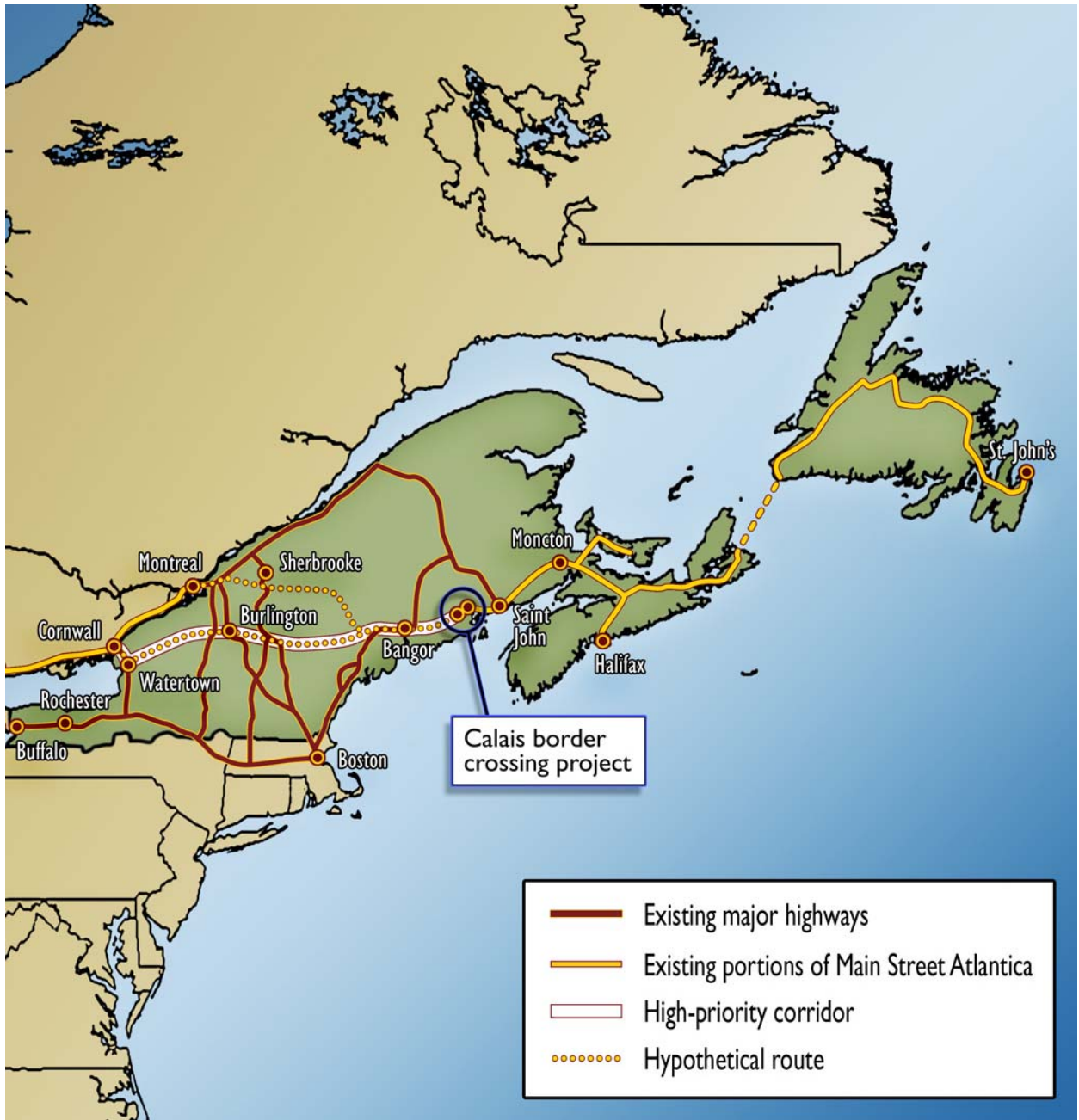
The Hudson River is now the east coast of the United States...and the entire area north of New York City and south of Halifax has become a cul-de-sac in the global network.

- US Regional Planner Michael Gallis



Congressional High Priority Corridors: the Atlantica Perspective





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Atlantica: the International Northeast Economic Region (AINER) is defined chiefly by geography, economic trends and trade patterns; common problems and experiences; and politics. Much of this wedge of territory has been outside the charmed circle of North American prosperity for years.

The reasons are buried deep in our history. Especially after the Americans rejected Reciprocity and Confederation was born, the continent was divided into two national projects. Each sought to open up its half of the continent on an east-west axis. Each had a funnel on the East Coast that caught the energies of Europe and channelled them toward the conquest of the continent.