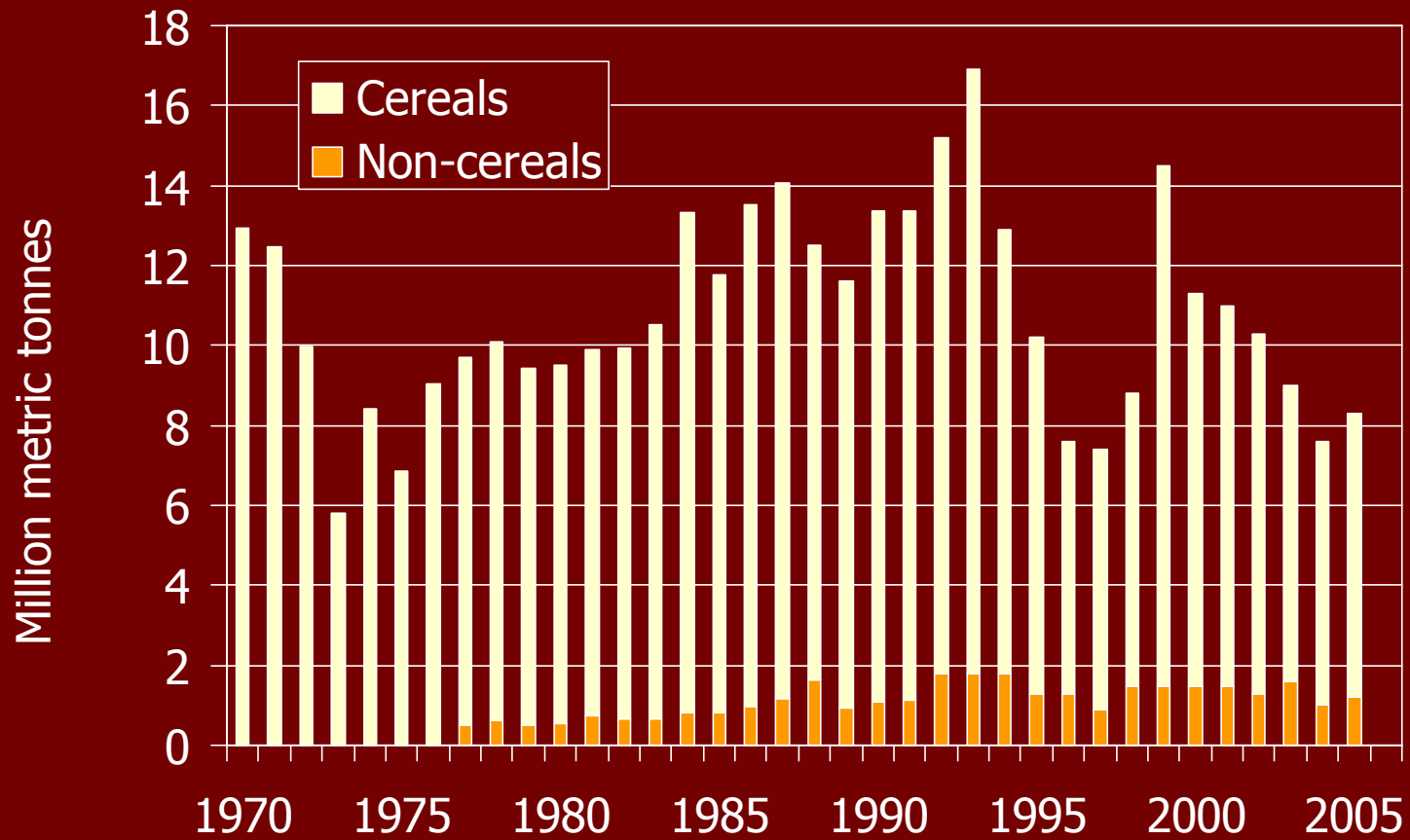


Food aid varies year to year

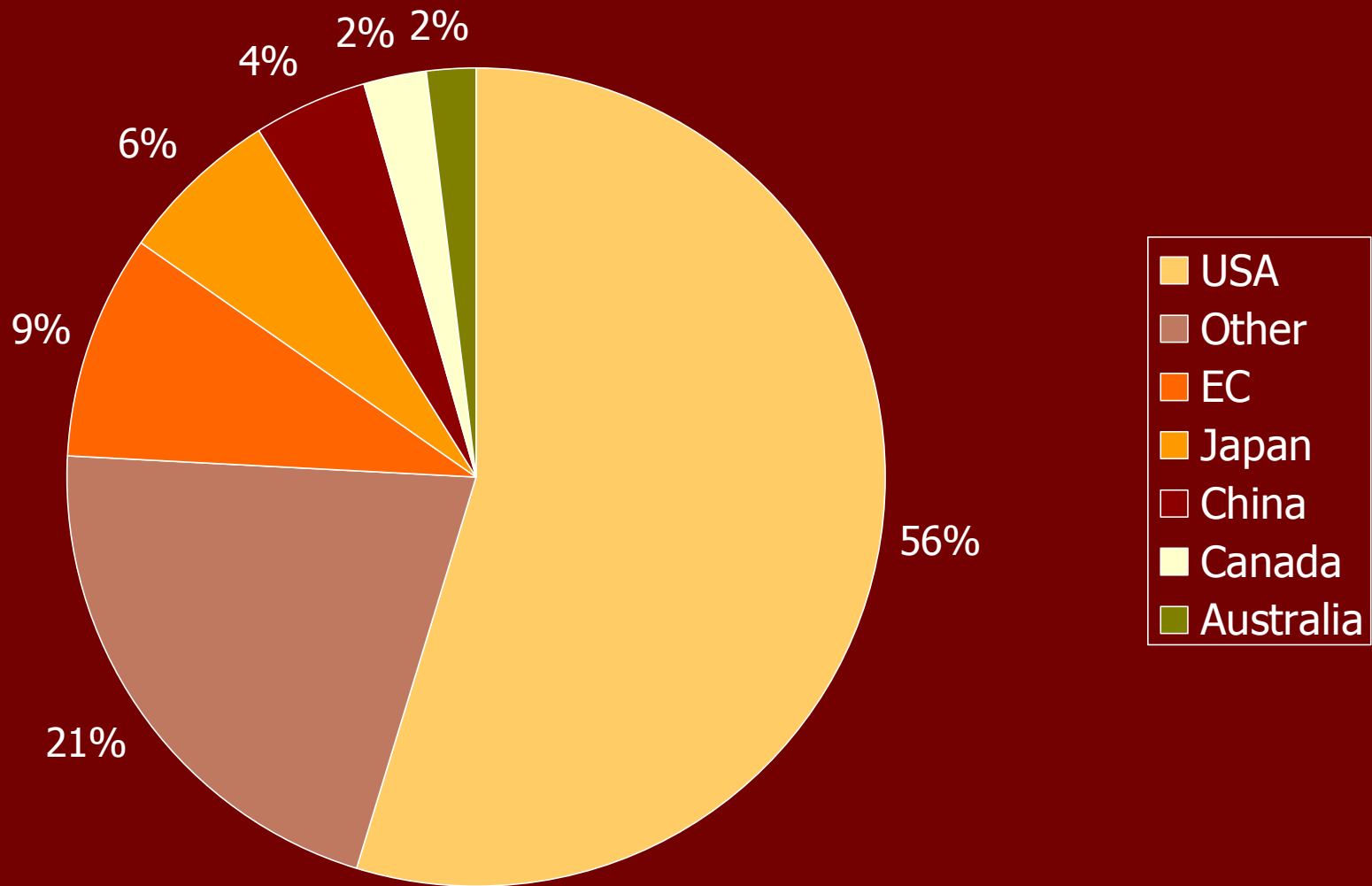




Food aid has changed

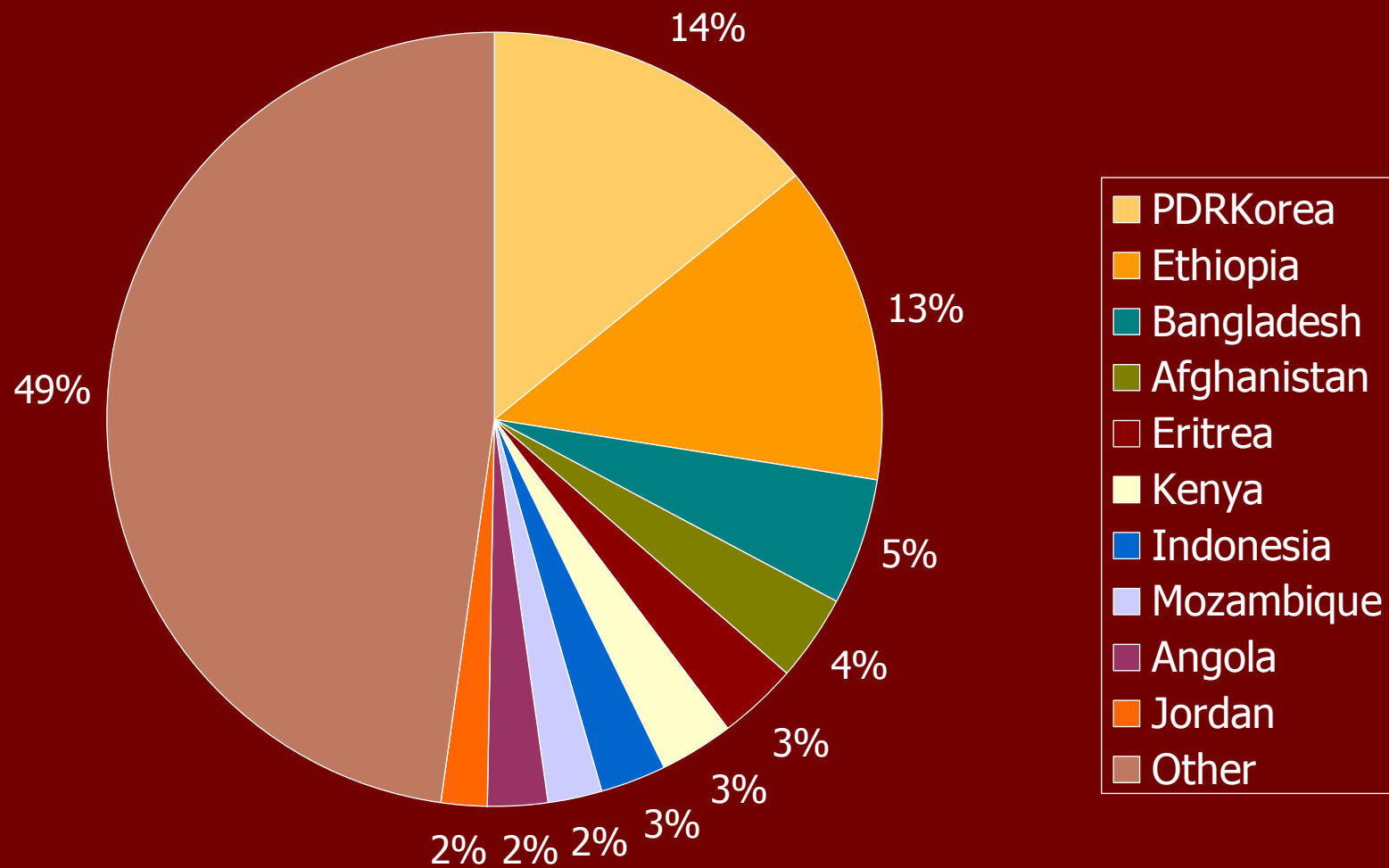
- Food aid is smaller in relative terms
 - 2% of trade, 0.5% of production, 5% of ODA
- Reaches about 200 million people
 - About half distributed through WFP
- Emergency aid now 2/3 of the total
 - About 1/4 of food aid is sold on local markets

USA is the biggest donor



Average 2001-2005

Top 10 food aid recipients account for half the total



Average 2001-2005



Food aid controversies

- Does food aid create dependency?
- Does food aid undermine agricultural production?
- Does food aid distort trade?

What should be done?

- Improve how food aid is managed
 - Timing and targeting are keys
- Use food aid only when food is *unavailable*
 - Cash and vouchers are often better
- Improve emergency response
 - Better information, analysis and monitoring