

An aerial photograph showing several cotton fields with distinct parallel rows. A dense line of trees runs diagonally across the left side of the frame.

# Strategies for Managing Tarnished Plant Bug in Thryvon Cotton

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An aerial photograph of a rural landscape featuring several agricultural fields. The fields are divided into rectangular plots by dirt roads. The crops appear to be in different stages of growth, with some looking more mature than others. In the upper right corner, there is a small cluster of trees and a few buildings. A large, semi-transparent gray rectangular box is overlaid on the center-left portion of the image. Inside this box, the text is centered.

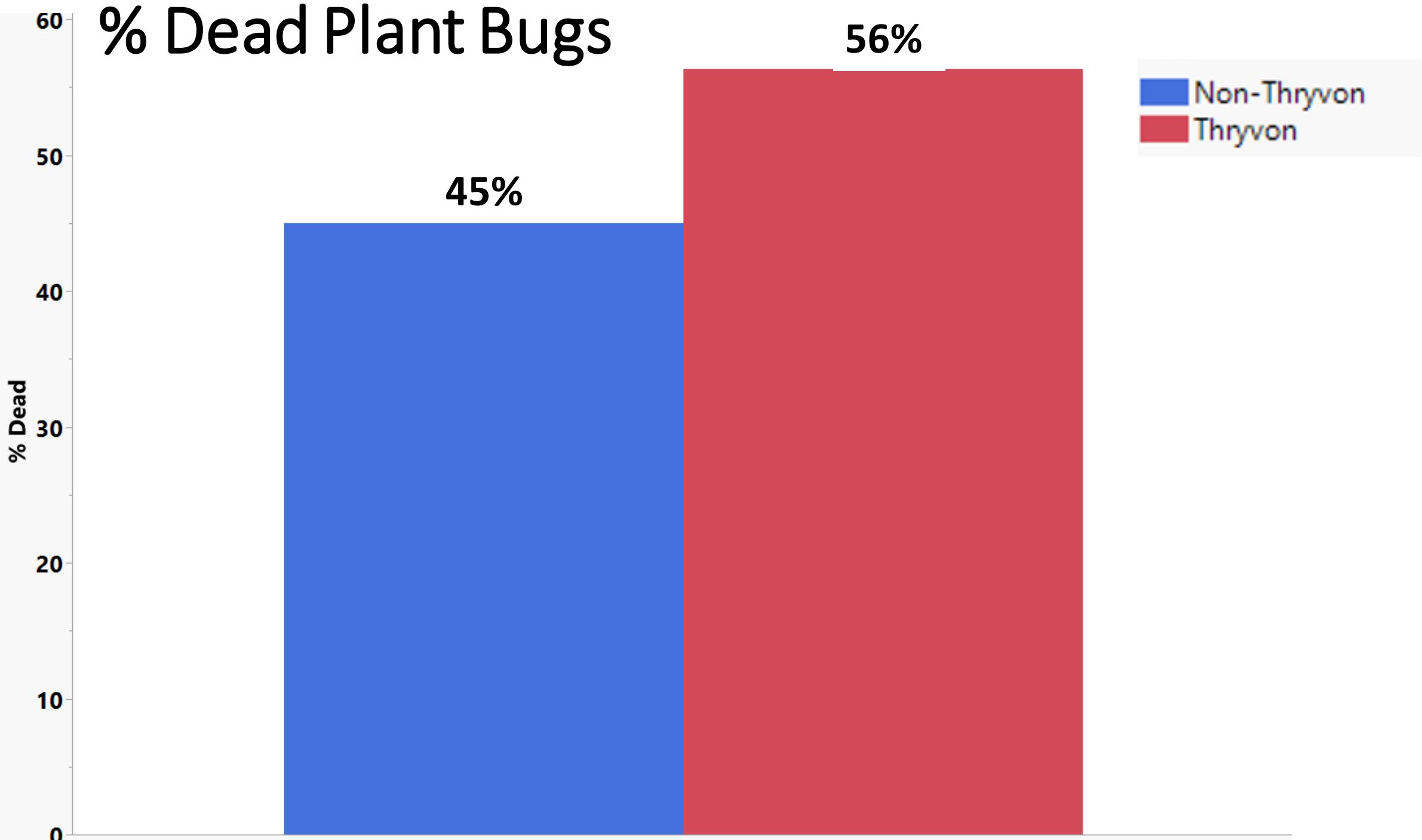
**How is Thryvon controlling plant bugs?**



# % Dead Plant Bugs

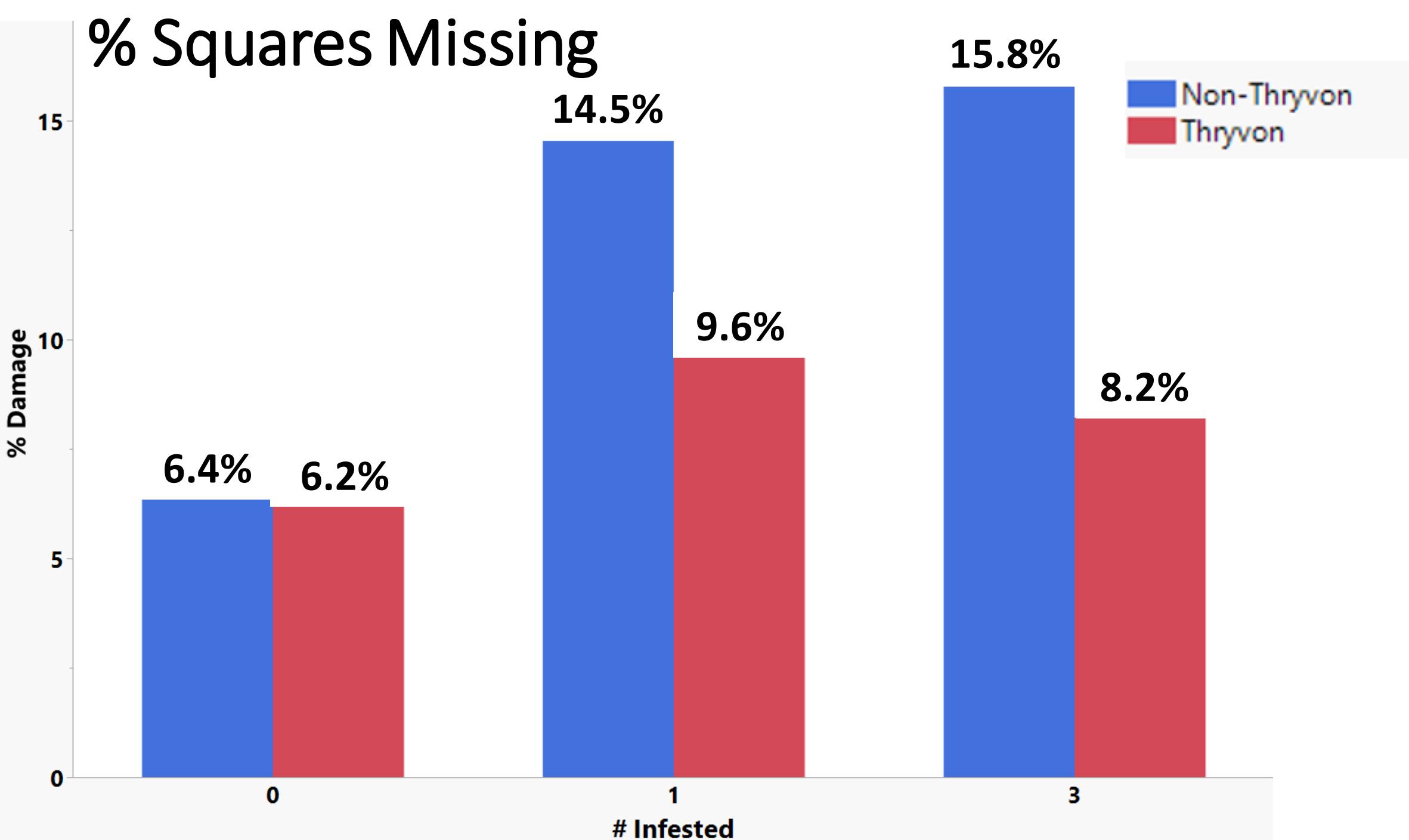
45%

56%

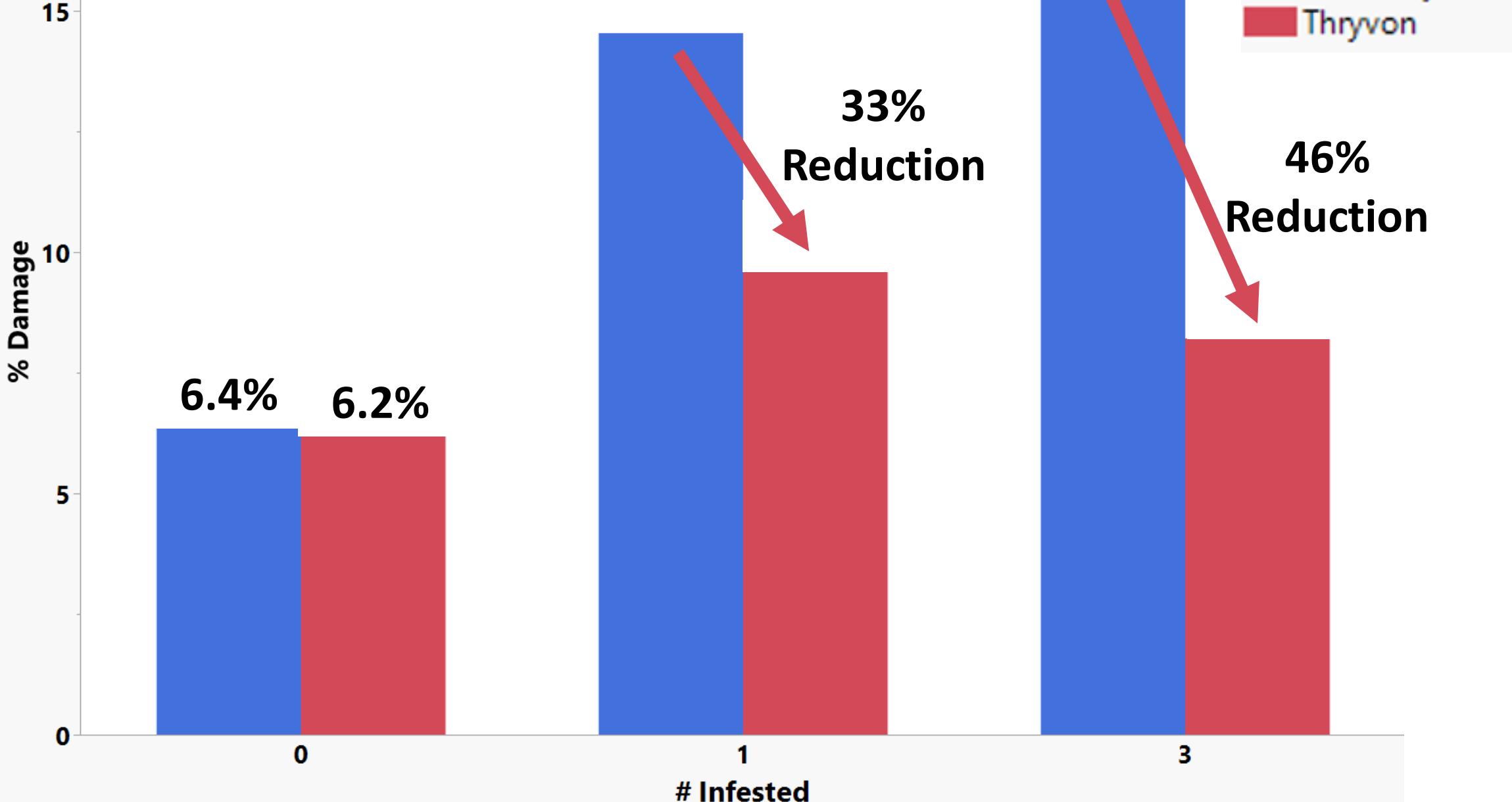


Non-Thryvon  
Thryvon

# % Squares Missing

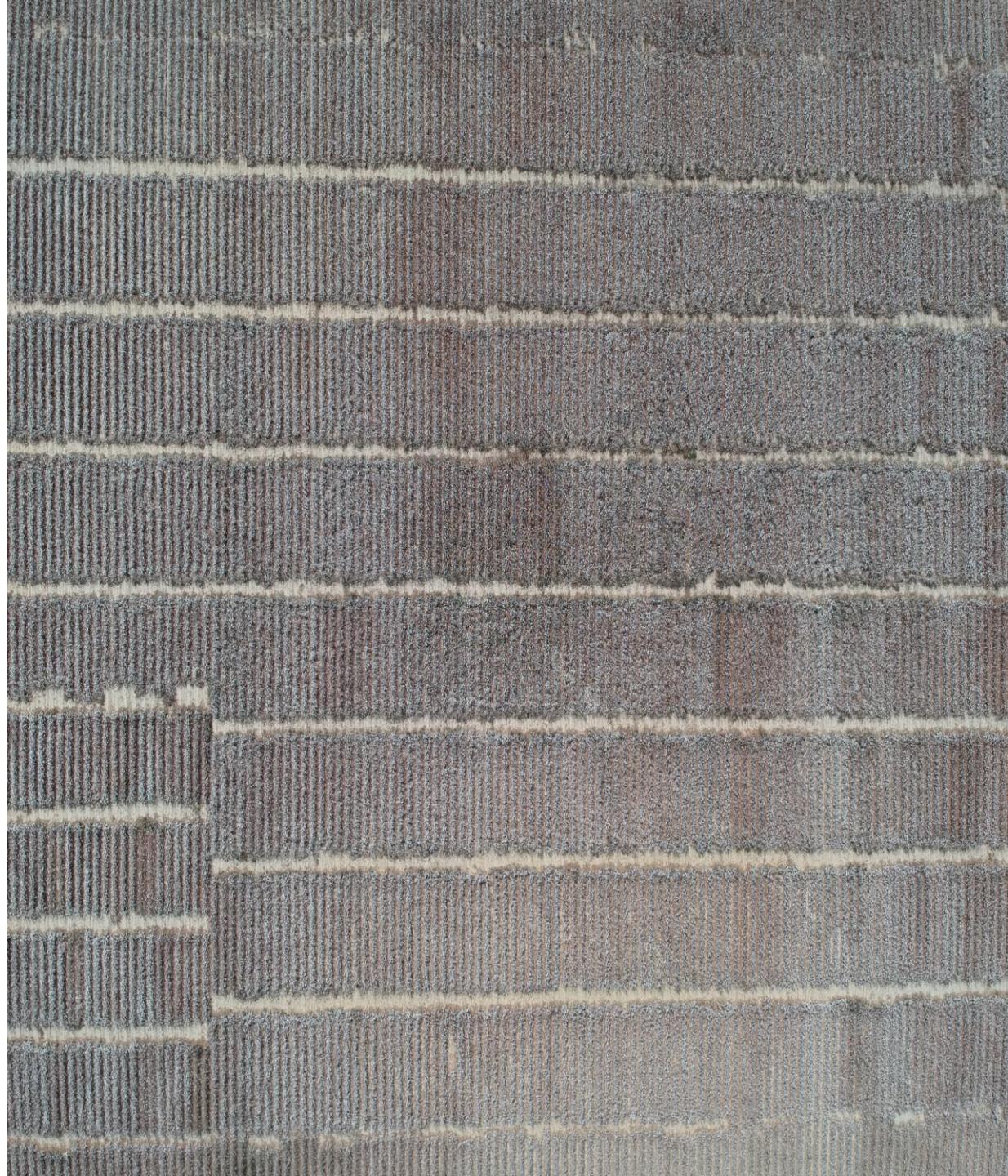


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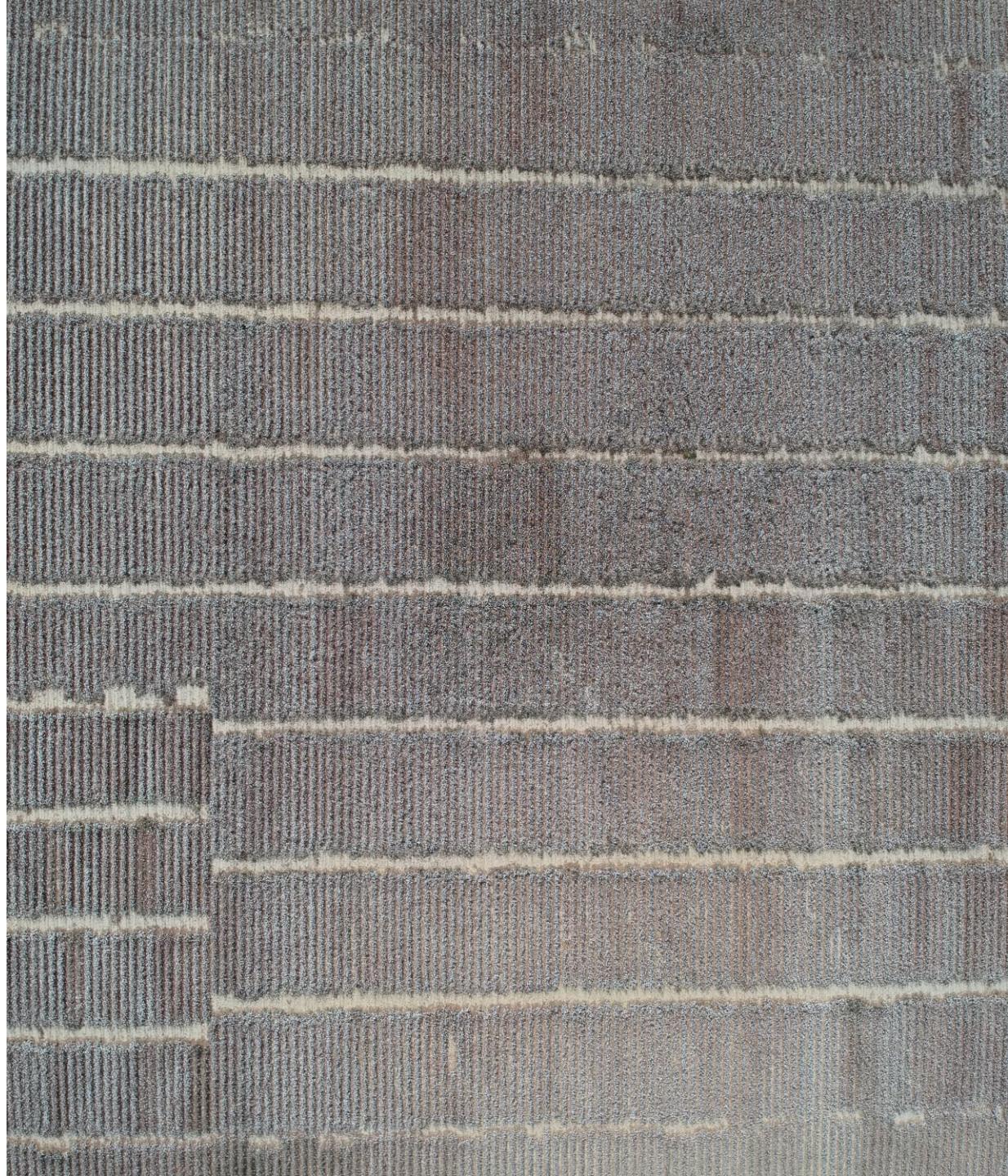
# Threshold Study

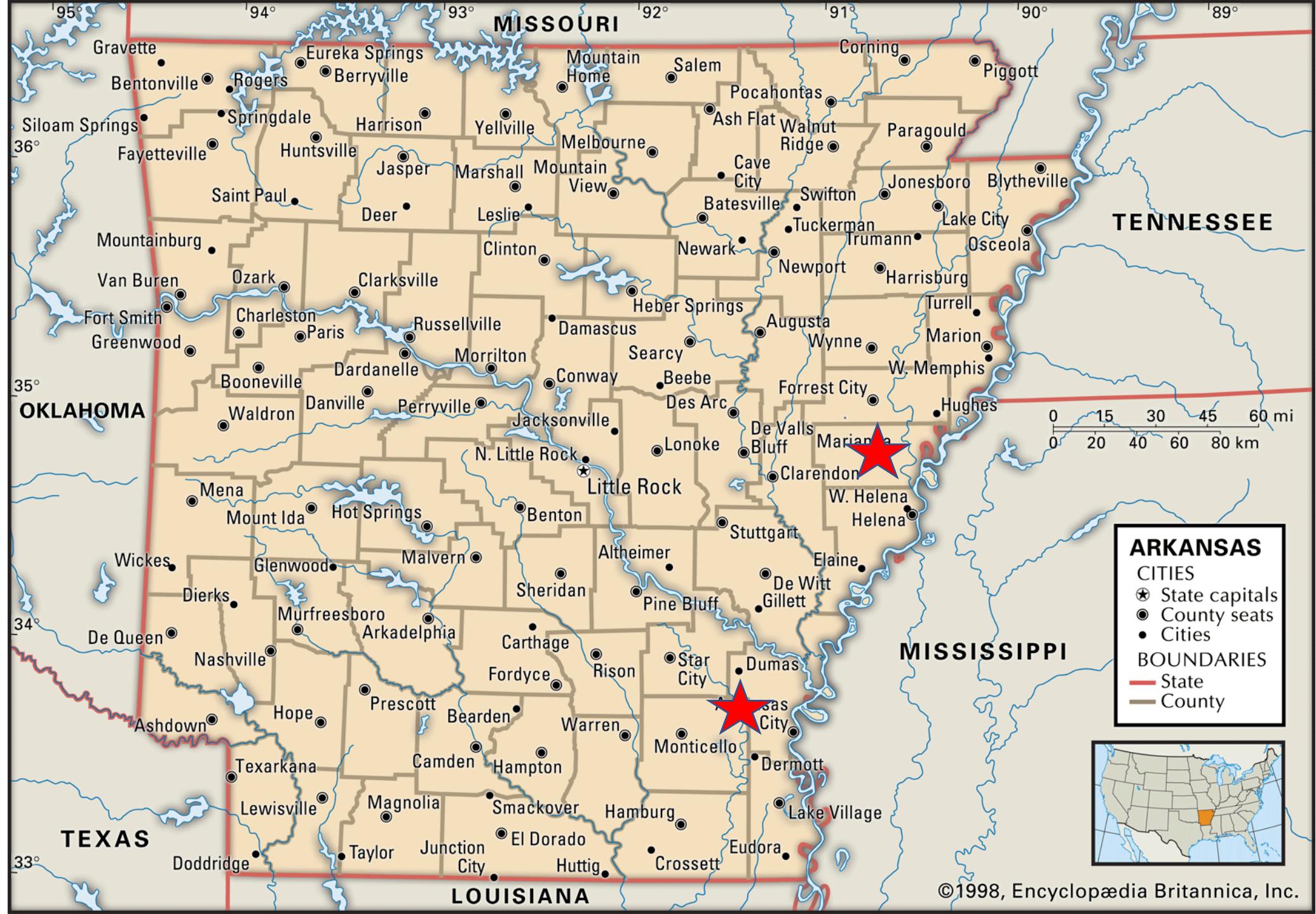
- Untreated
- 1x threshold
- 2x threshold
- 3x threshold
- 3 large nymphs
- 6 large nymphs



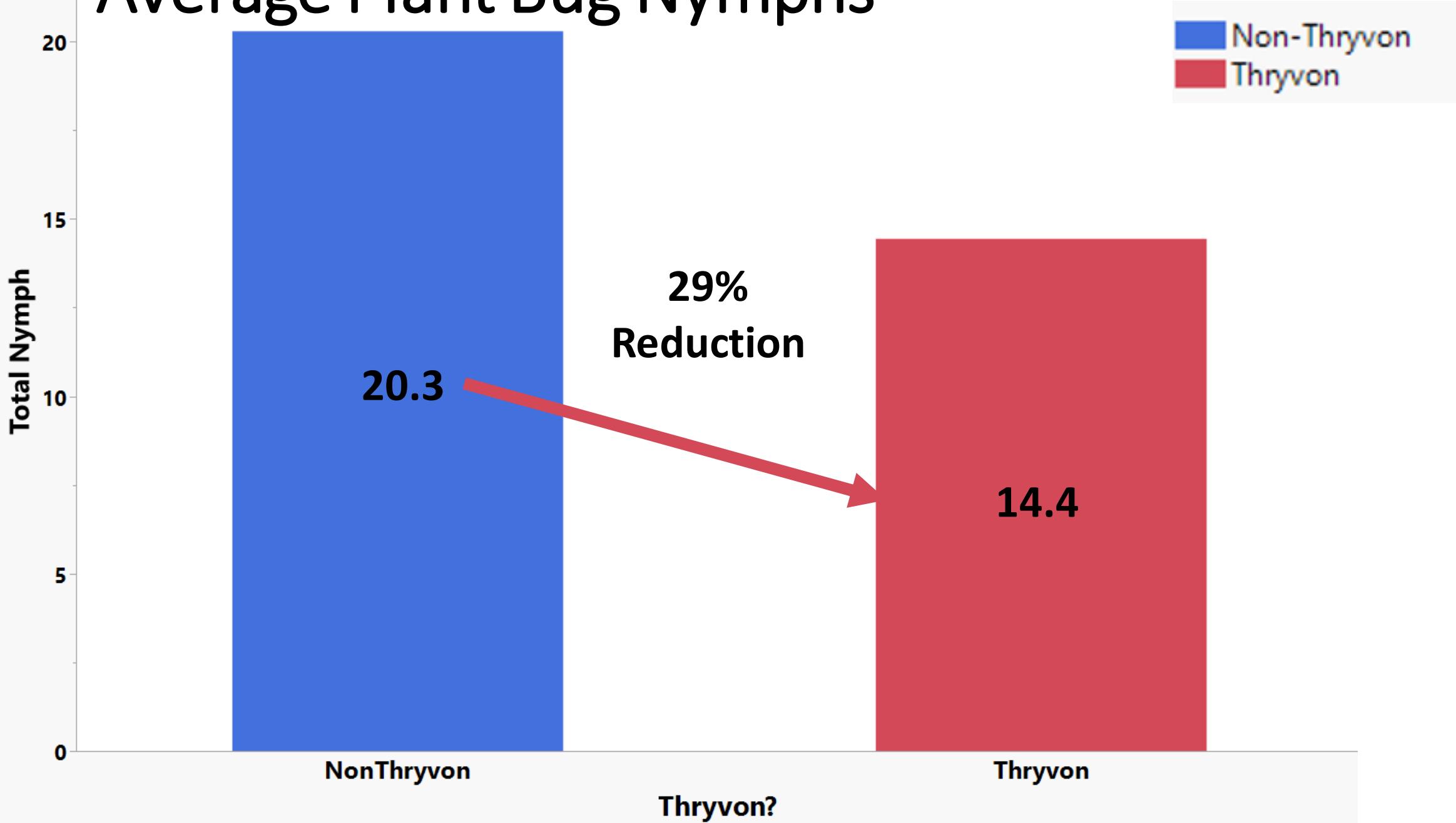
# Threshold Study

- Untreated
- 1x threshold
- 2x threshold
- 3x threshold
- ~~3 large nymphs~~
- ~~6 large nymphs~~
- 80% square retention
- 85% square retention

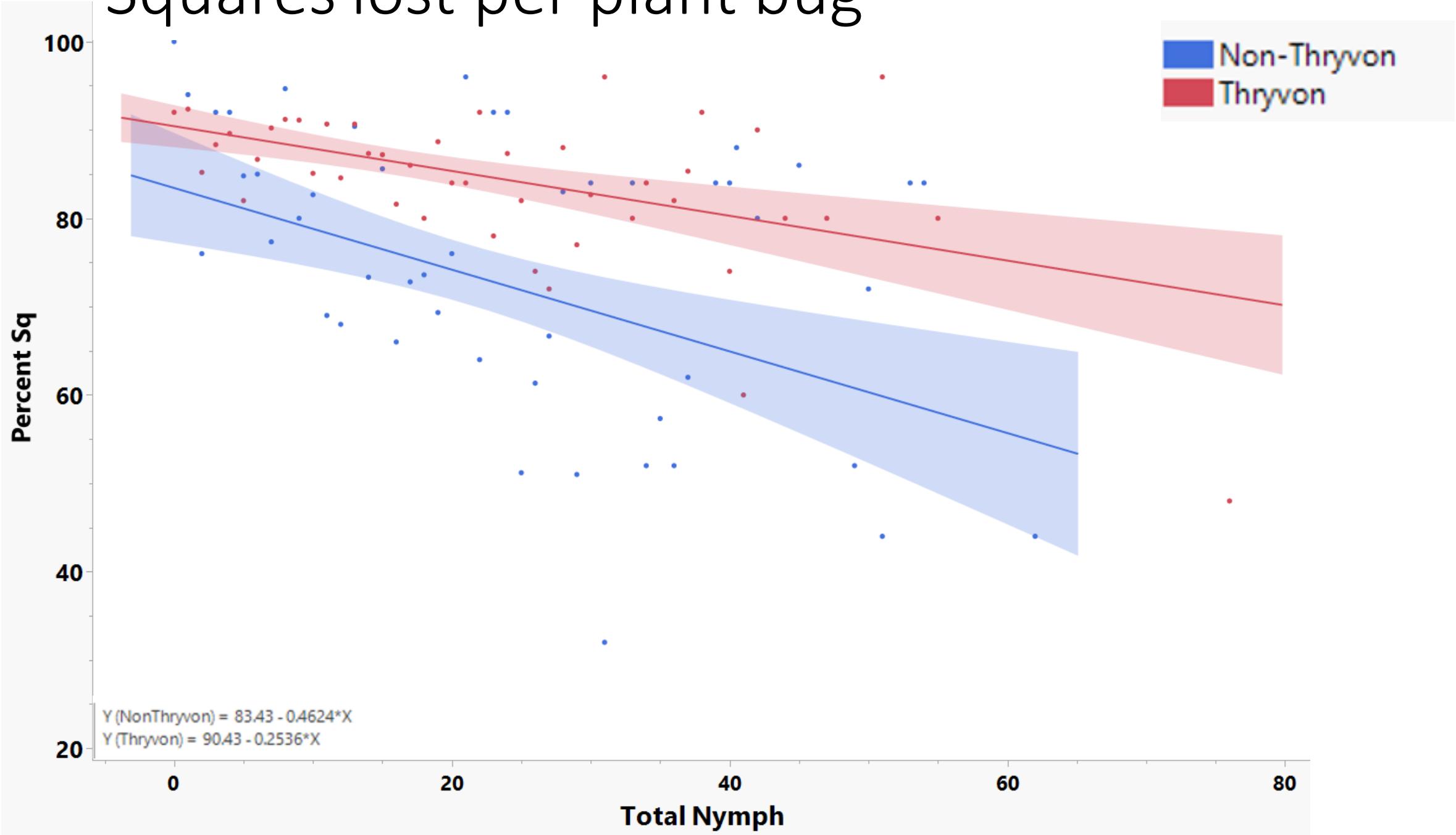




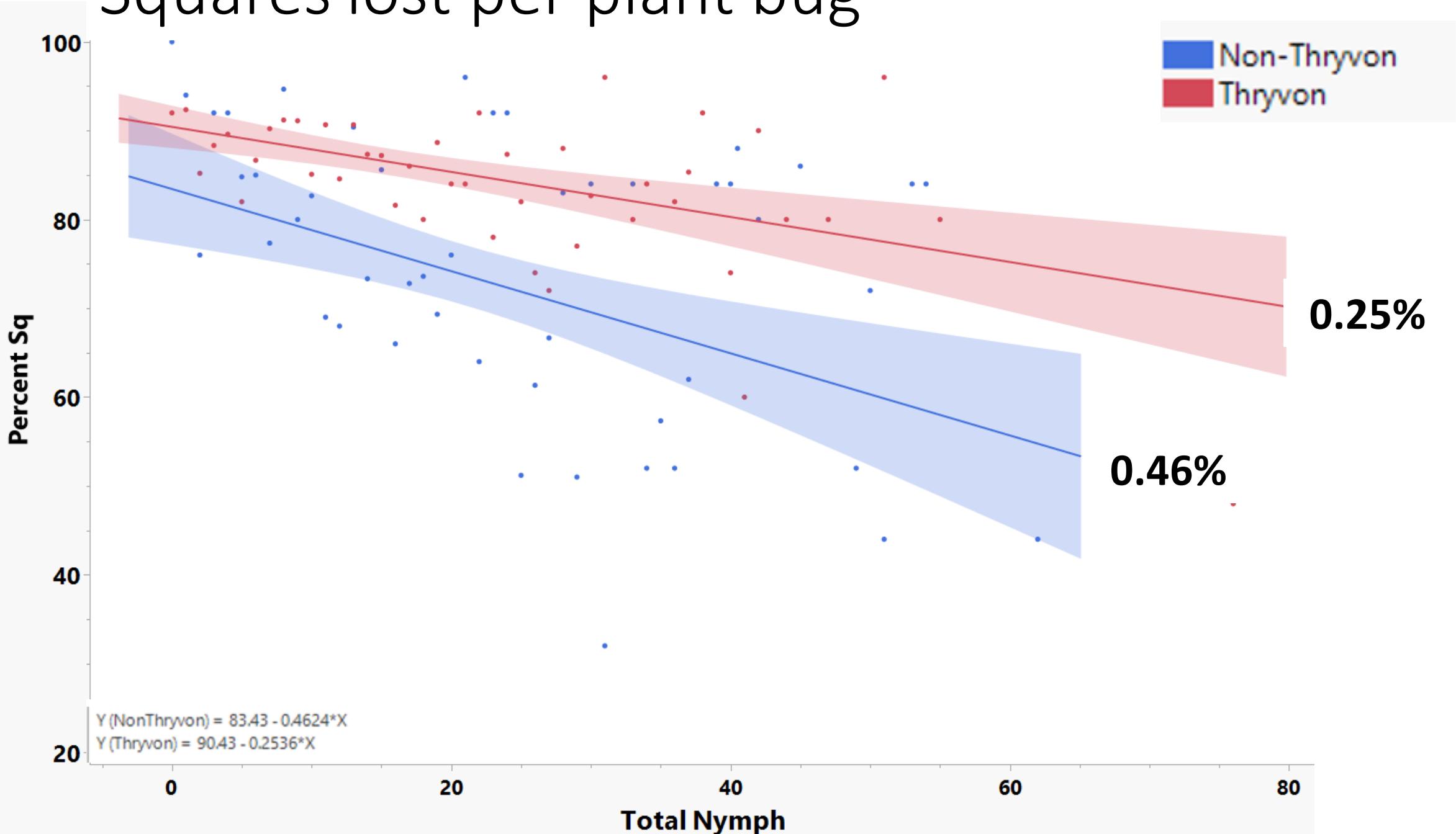
# Average Plant Bug Nymphs



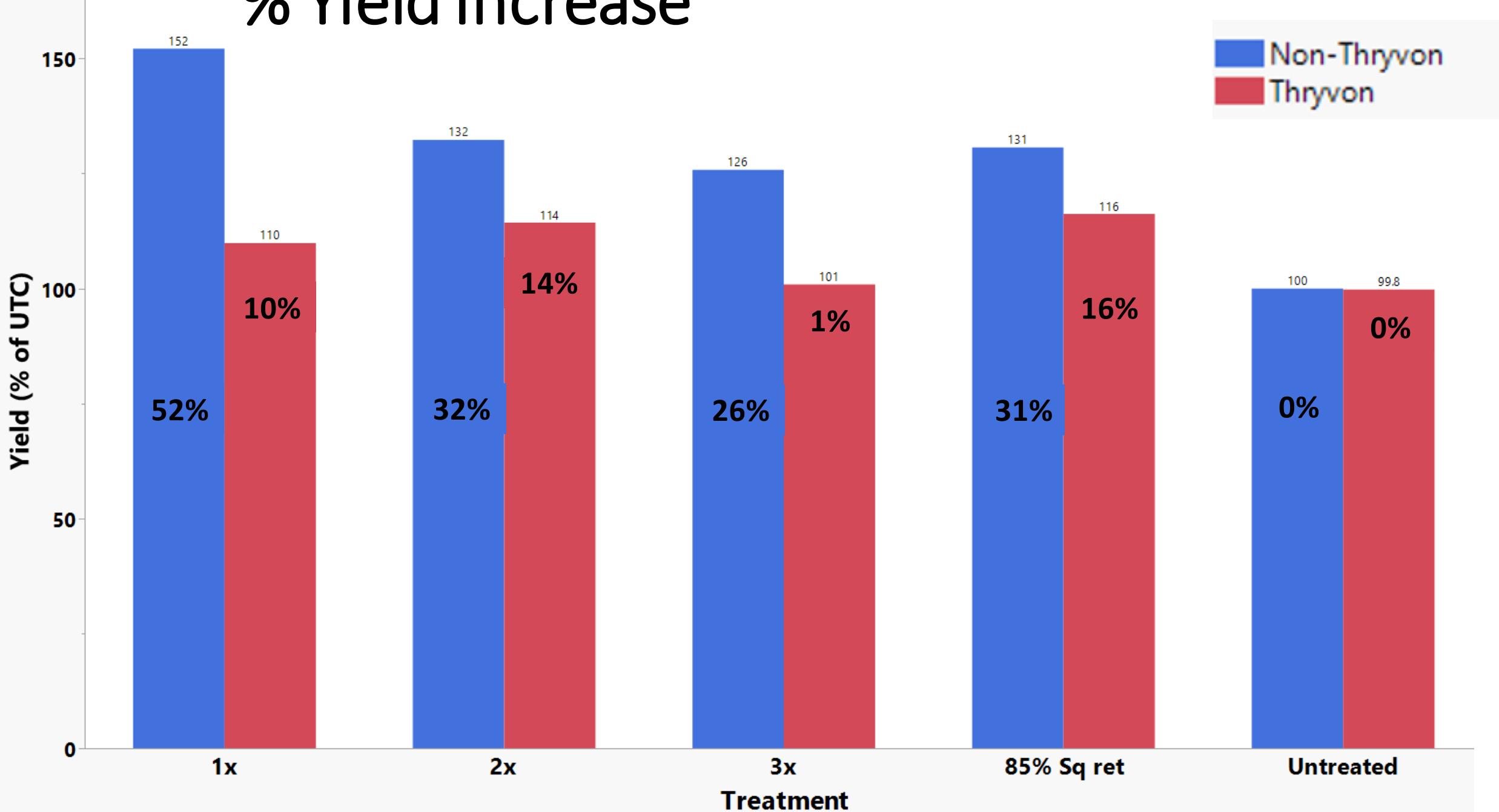
# Squares lost per plant bug



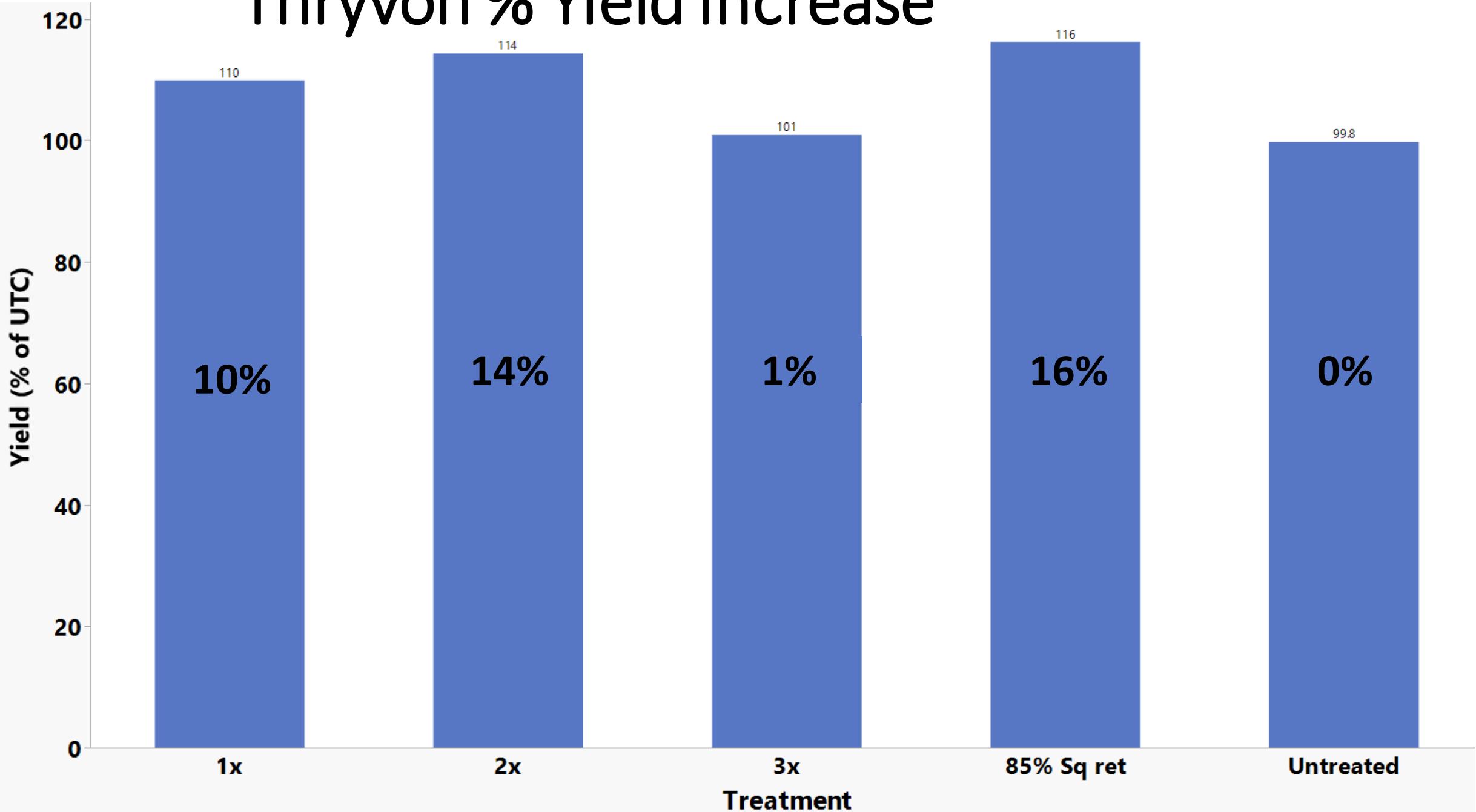
# Squares lost per plant bug



# % Yield Increase



# Thryvon % Yield Increase



# What insecticide should I use?





80

**53% Avg. Control Improvement**

60

40

20

0

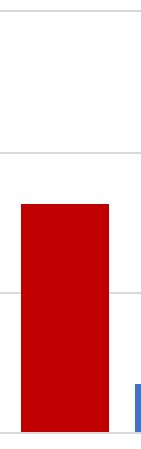
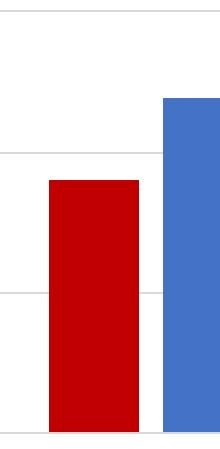
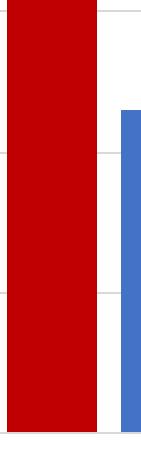
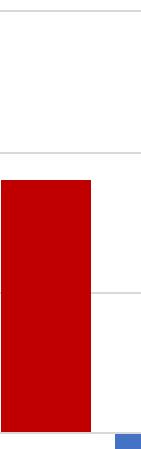
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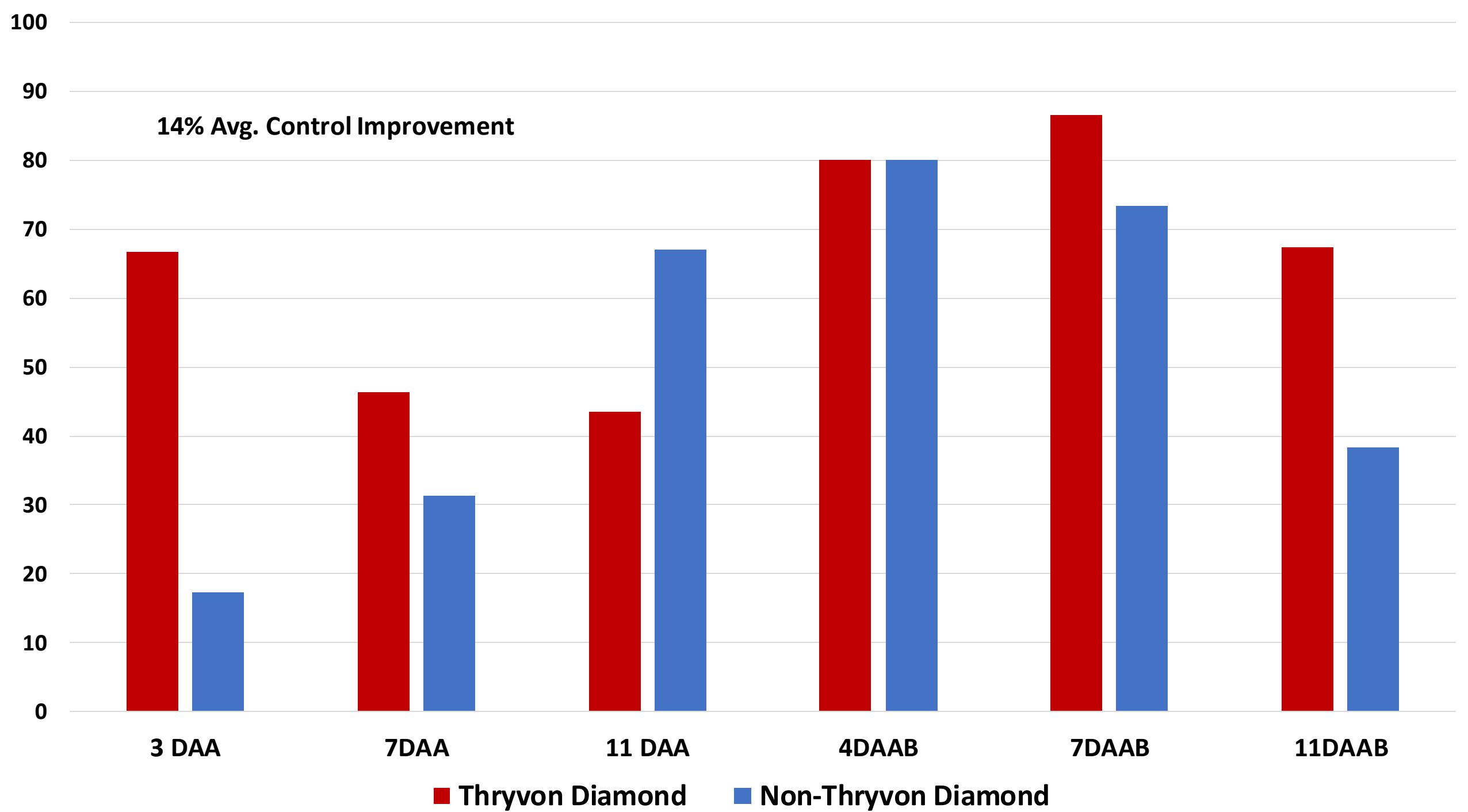
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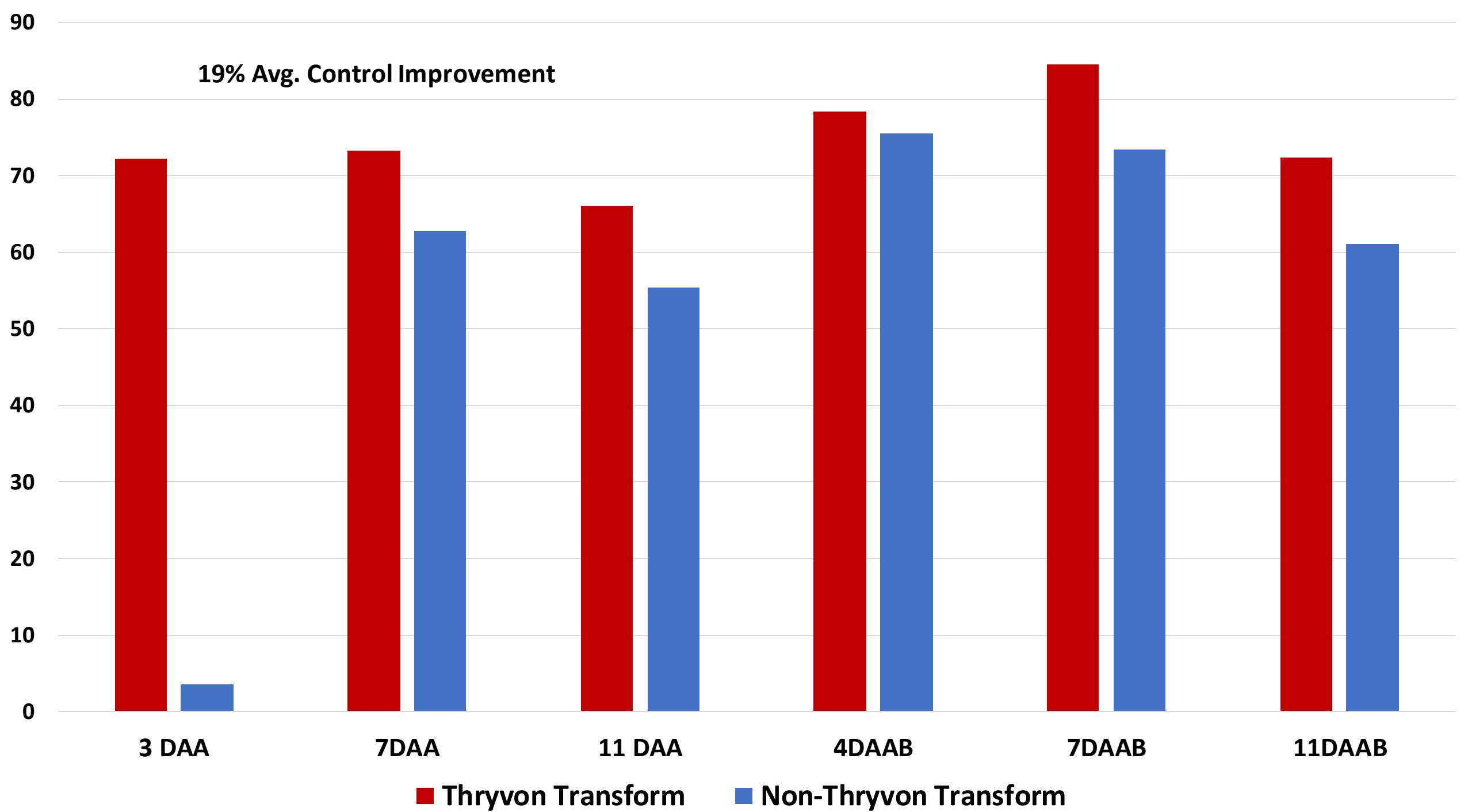
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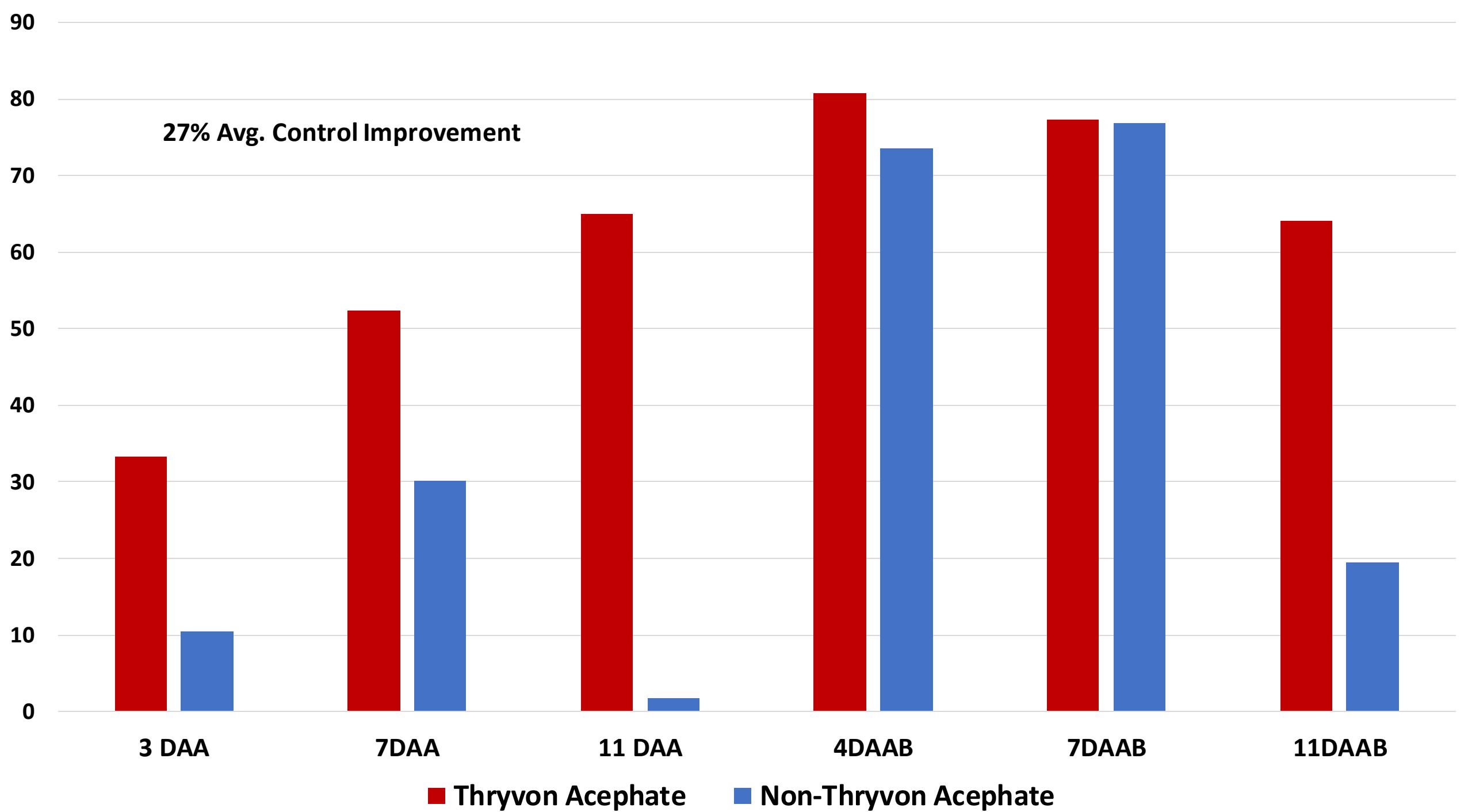
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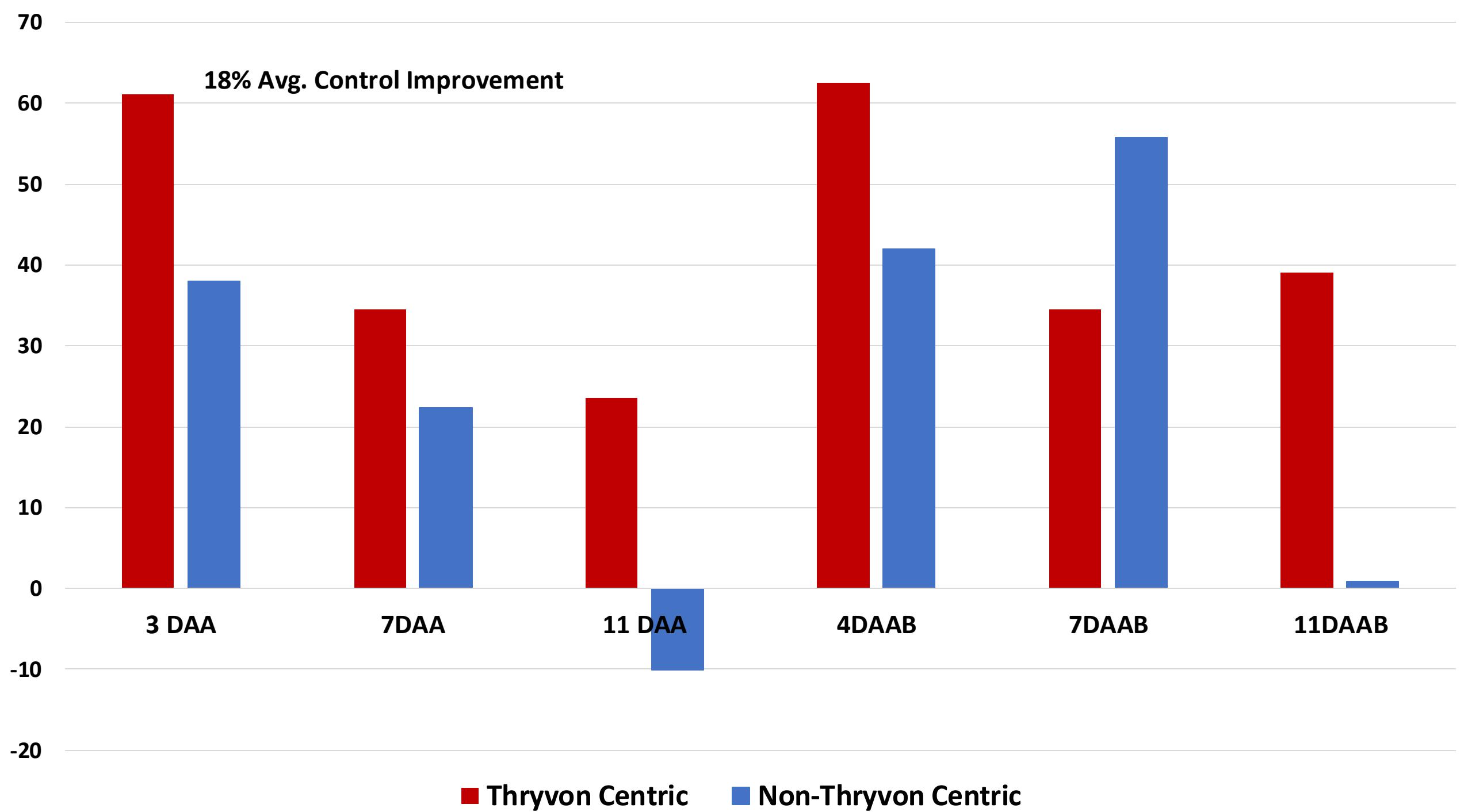
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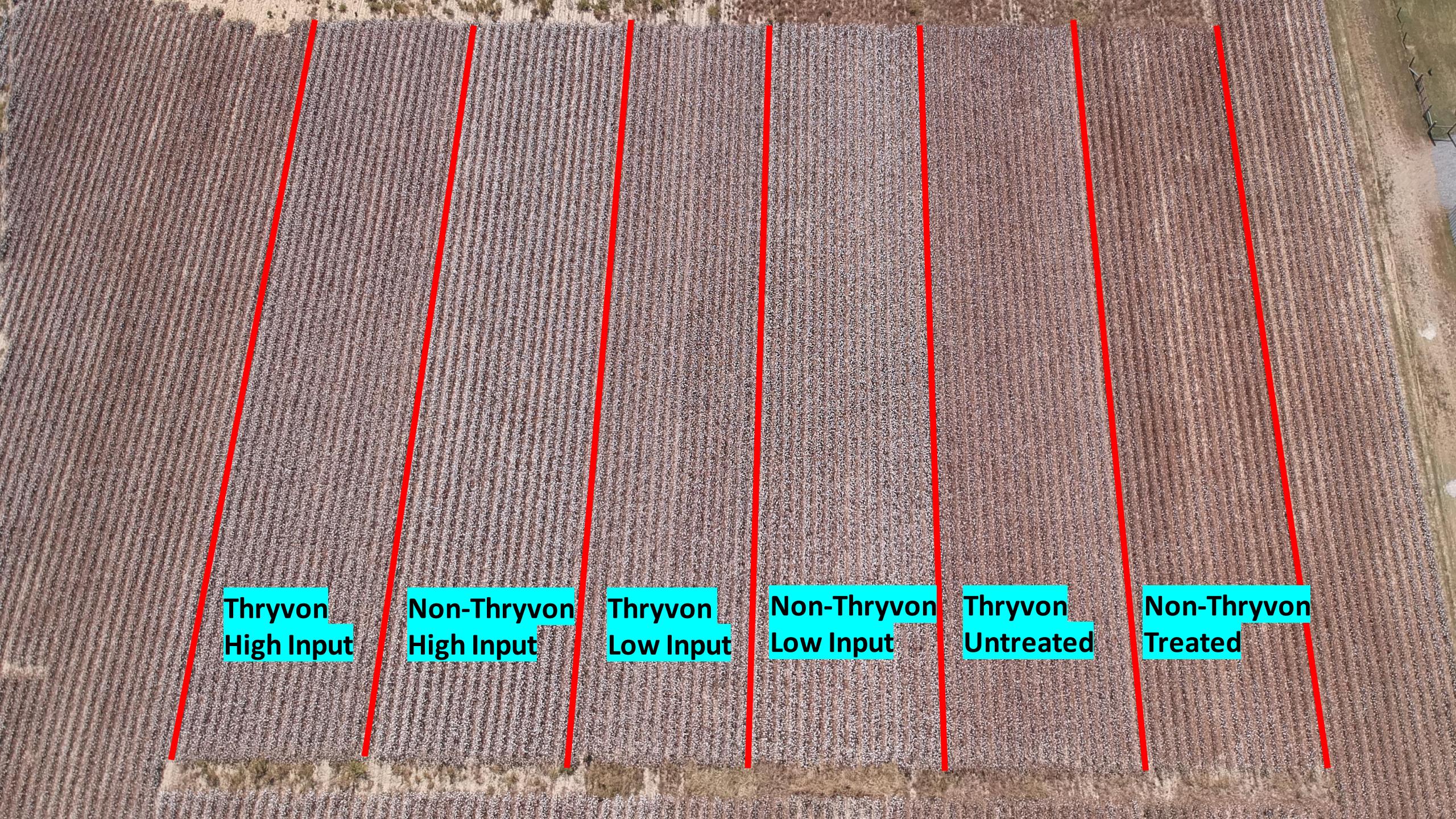






An aerial photograph of a large agricultural field. The field is divided into several long, narrow, parallel strips of dark brown soil, each strip containing a row of small, light-colored cotton plants. The strips are separated by thin, lighter-colored paths. In the top right corner, there is a small, dark, rectangular structure, possibly a greenhouse or a piece of farm equipment. The overall pattern is a grid of vertical lines.

Where should I place my Thryvon cotton?



Thryvon  
High Input

Non-Thryvon  
High Input

Thryvon  
Low Input

Non-Thryvon  
Low Input

Thryvon  
Untreated

Non-Thryvon  
Treated

# Marianna

# Tillar

	July 6	12-Jul	19-Jul	26-Jul	4-Aug	11-Aug	Total
Thryvon High Input	2.5 oz Centric + Diamond 6 oz	1.5 oz Transform			Bidrin 0.5 lb + Bifenthrin 6.4 oz		3
NonThryvon High Input	2.5 oz Centric + Diamond 6 oz	1.5 oz Transform	Bidrin 0.5 oz + Diamond 6 oz	Transform 2 oz		1 lb Acenthrin	5
Thryvon Low Input		Imidacloprid 2 oz + Bifenthrin 6.4 oz	Acephate 0.75 lb + Bifenthrin 6.4 oz				2
NonThryvon Low Input	Imidacloprid 2 oz	Imidacloprid 2 oz + Bifenthrin 6.4 oz	Acephate 0.75 lb + Bifenthrin 6.4 oz	Acephate 0.75 lb + Bifenthrin 6.4 oz			4
Thryvon Untreated							0
NonThryvon Untreated							0

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Thryvon Untreated							0
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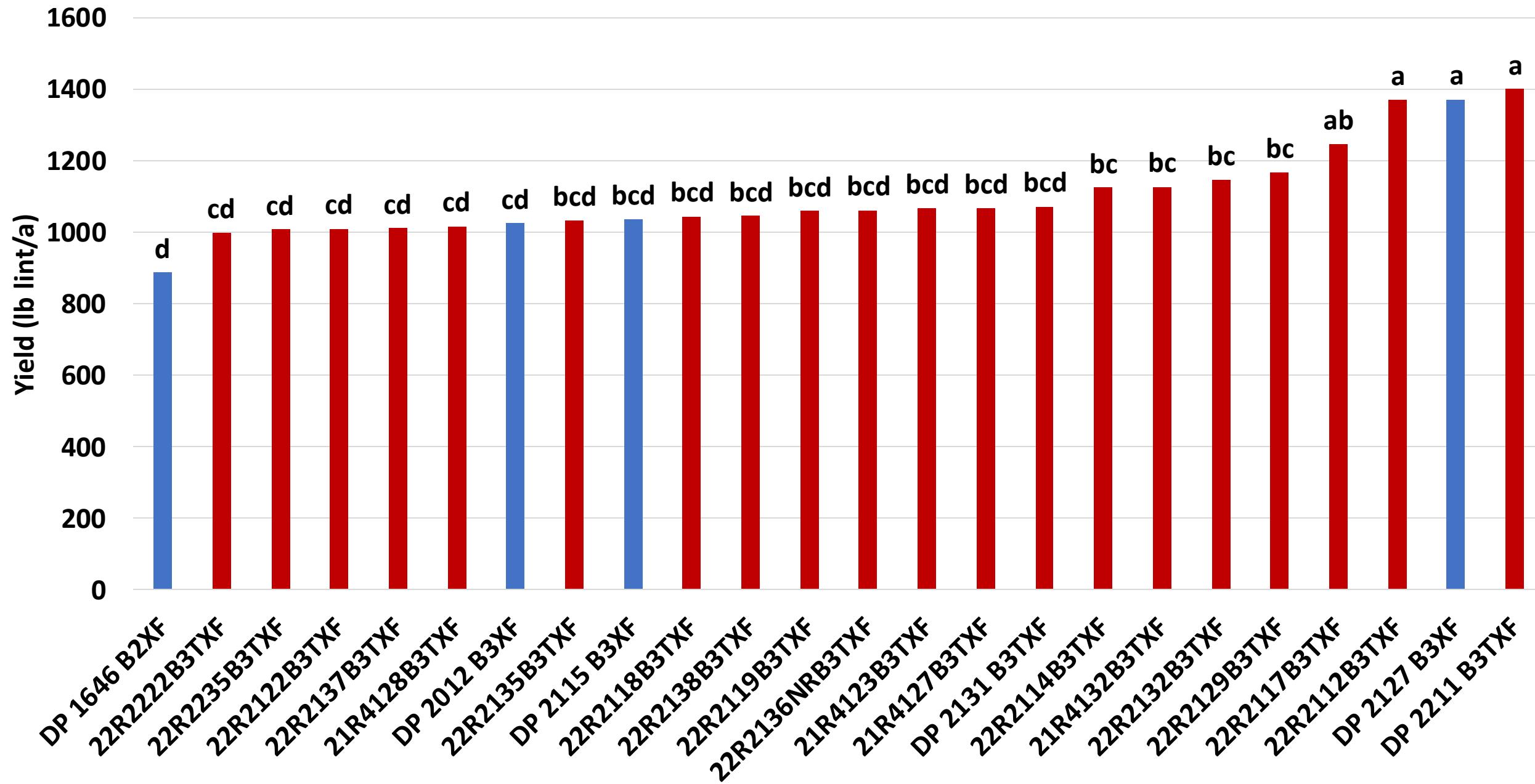
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	Total Apps	Yield
Thryvon High Input	2	1166
NonThryvon High Input	7	1335
Thryvon Low Input	2	1126
NonThryvon Low Input	6	1202
Thryvon Untreated	0	793
NonThryvon Untreated	0	371

# Tillar

	Total	Yield
Thryvon High Input	3	1139
NonThryvon High Input	5	1055
Thryvon Low Input	2	1108
NonThryvon Low Input	4	1003
Thryvon Untreated	0	850
NonThryvon Untreated	0	490

# Thryvon Variety Trial





# Takeaways

- Roughly a 30% reduction nymphs seen
- Lose about half as many squares per plant bug as normal
- Insecticides overall performed better in Thryvon cotton
  - The best insecticides in conventional cotton are still the best in Thryvon
- Good technology, manage your expectations
  - You will likely still have to spray, but you don't have to be as timely
  - Continue with the normal threshold...for now
- Where to place limited acres?
  - The back 40
  - High pressure areas
- Pick variety first, technology second



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