

Nurture &  
Retention

*Nurture & Retention... and  
Non-Retention*

*The situation we are in*







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# *Nurture &* Retention

What do we know?

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What do our statistics  
tell us?

Starting in 1965 the church has categorized  
“accessions” and “losses” = 52 years of data!

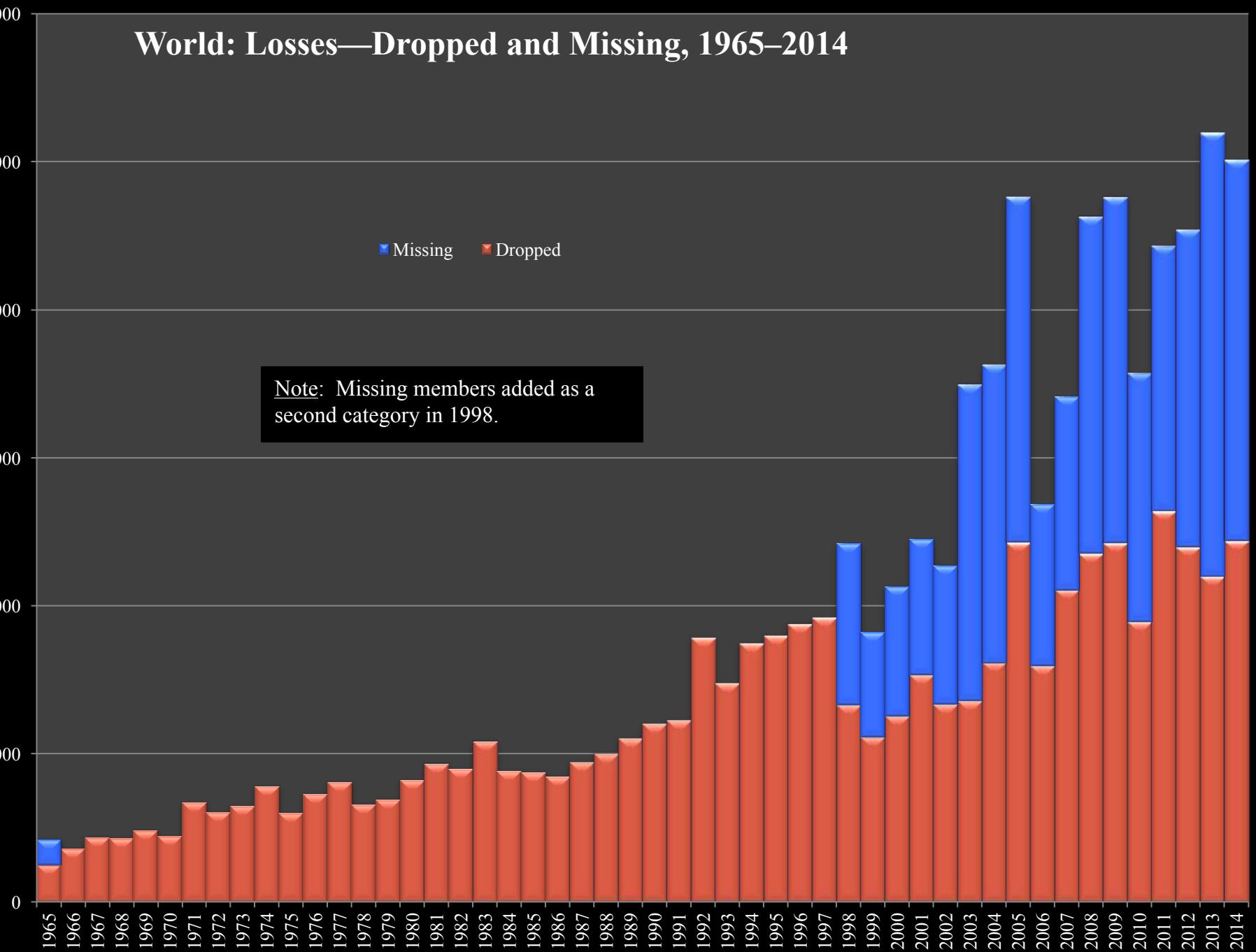
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What do our statistics  
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# World: Losses—Dropped and Missing, 1965–2014

■ Missing ■ Dropped

Note: Missing members added as a second category in 1998.

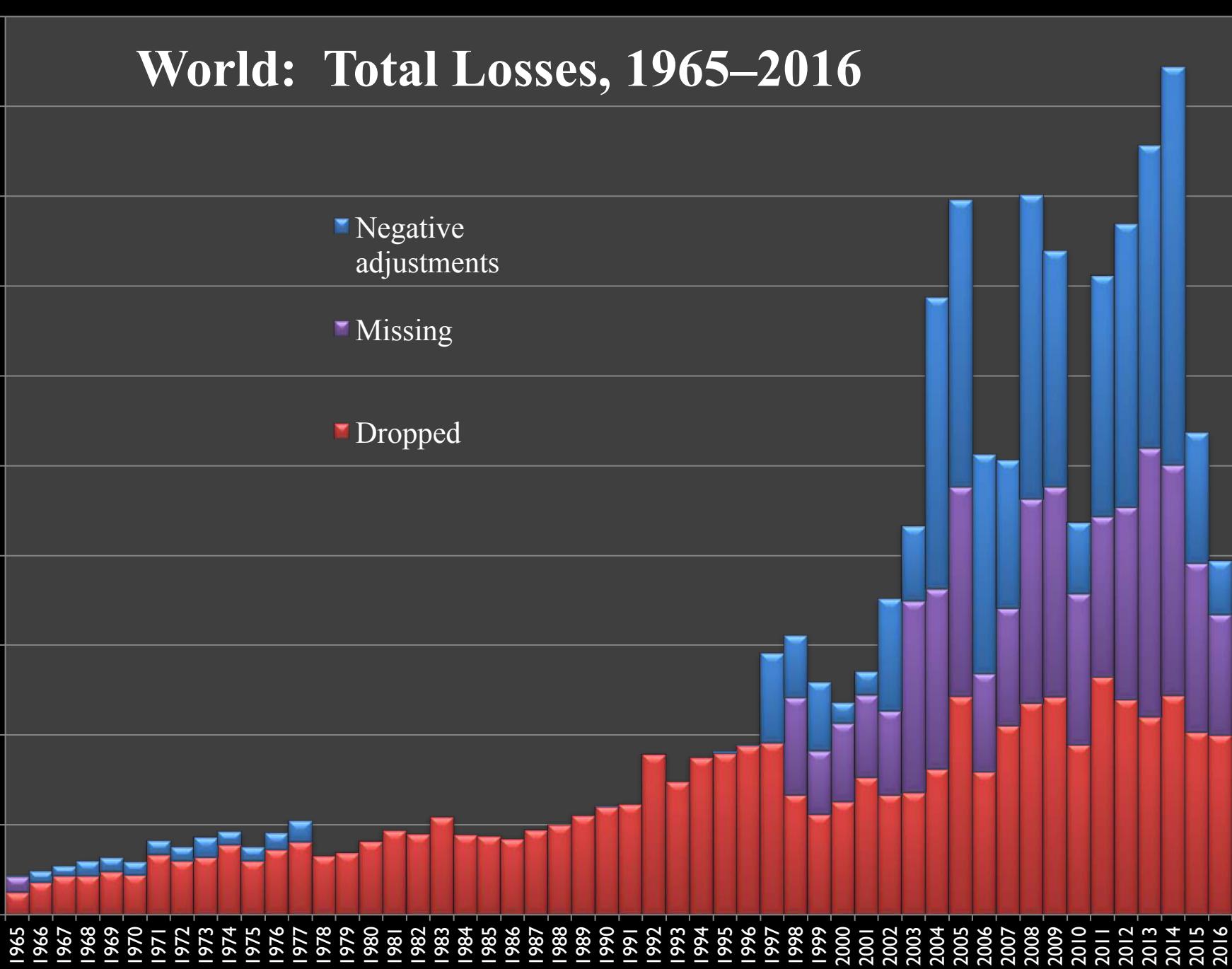


# World: Total Losses, 1965–2016

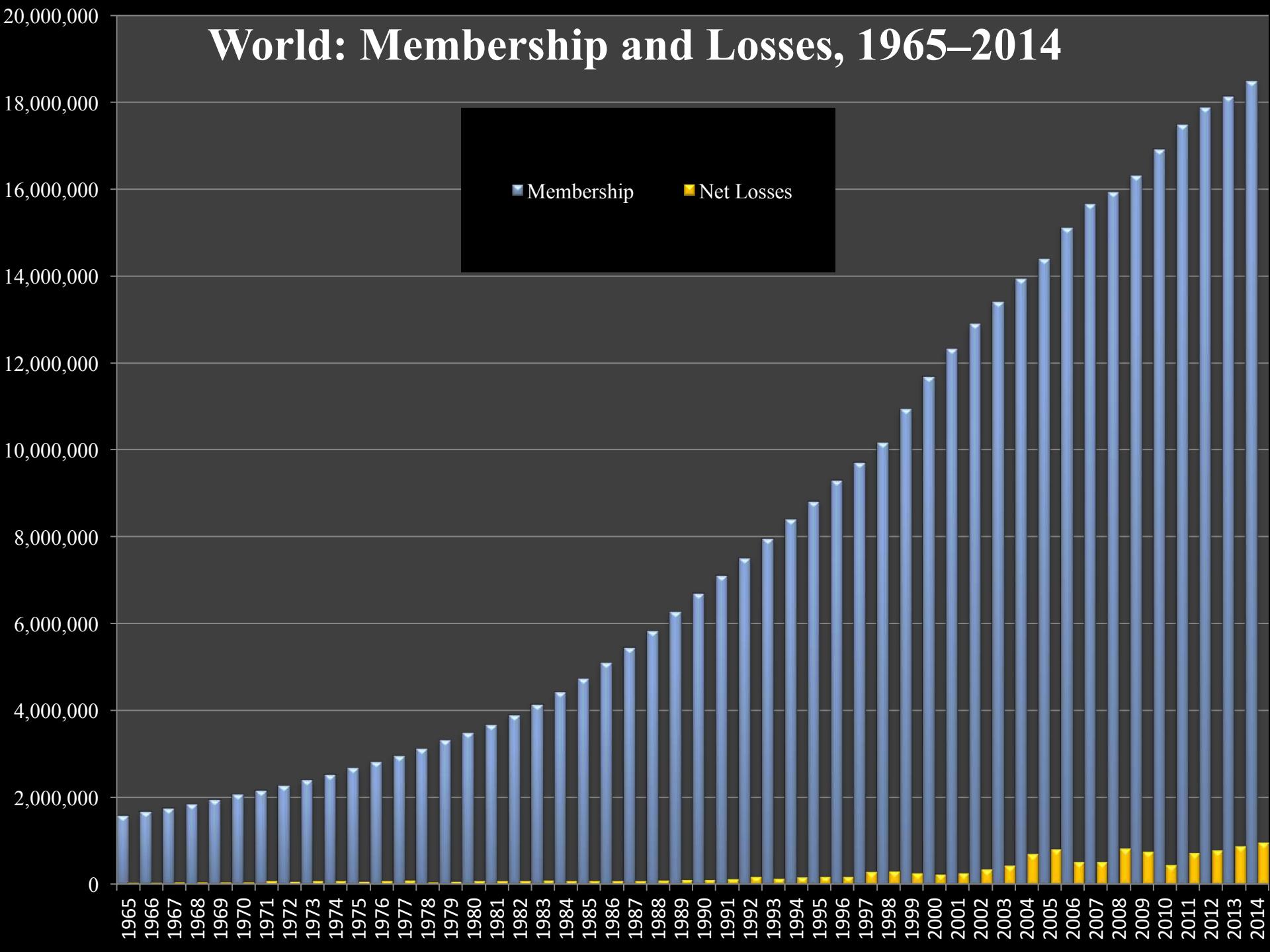
■ Negative  
adjustments

■ Missing

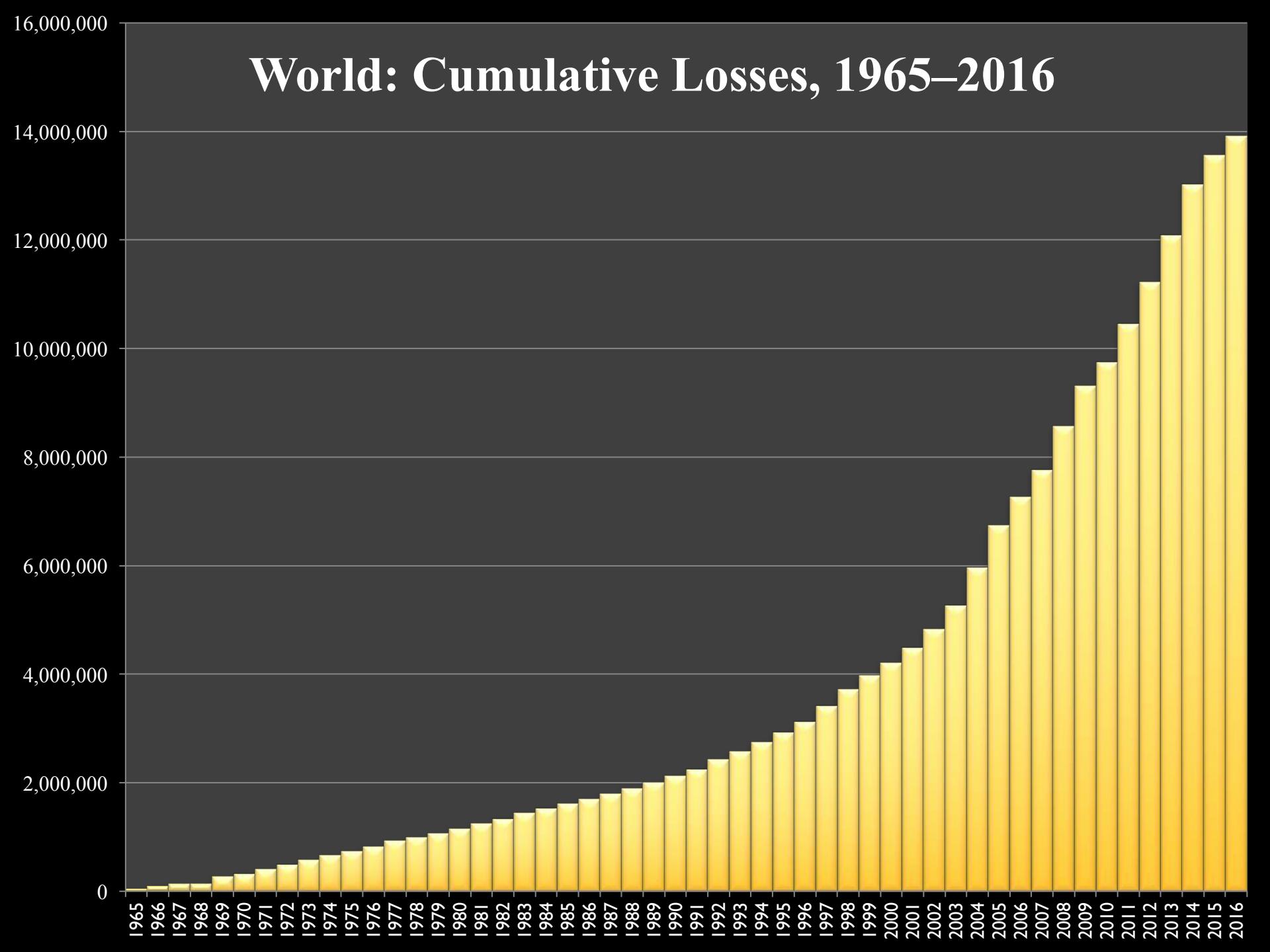
■ Dropped

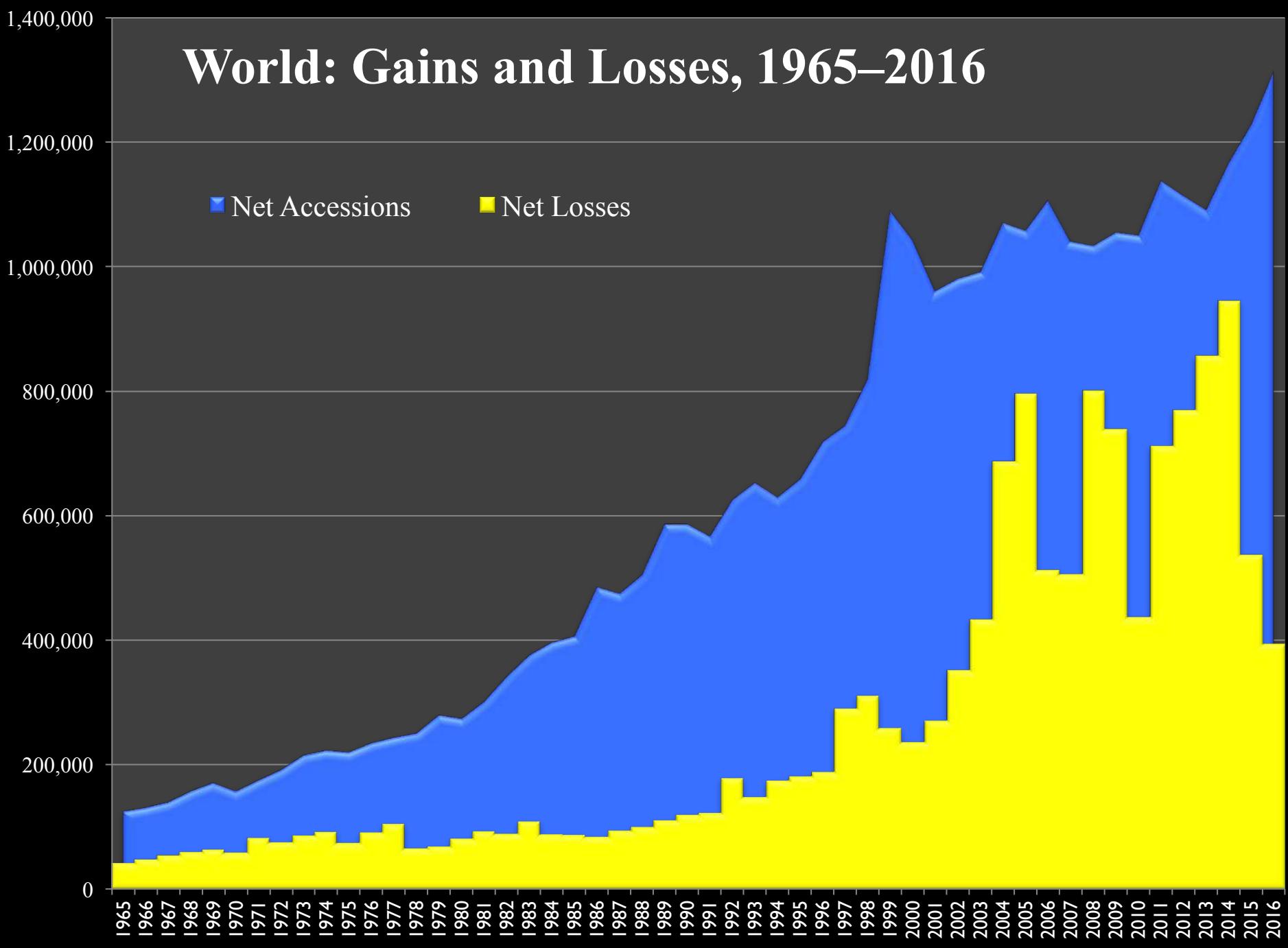


# World: Membership and Losses, 1965–2014



# World: Cumulative Losses, 1965–2016





# DROPPED – TED (current territory)



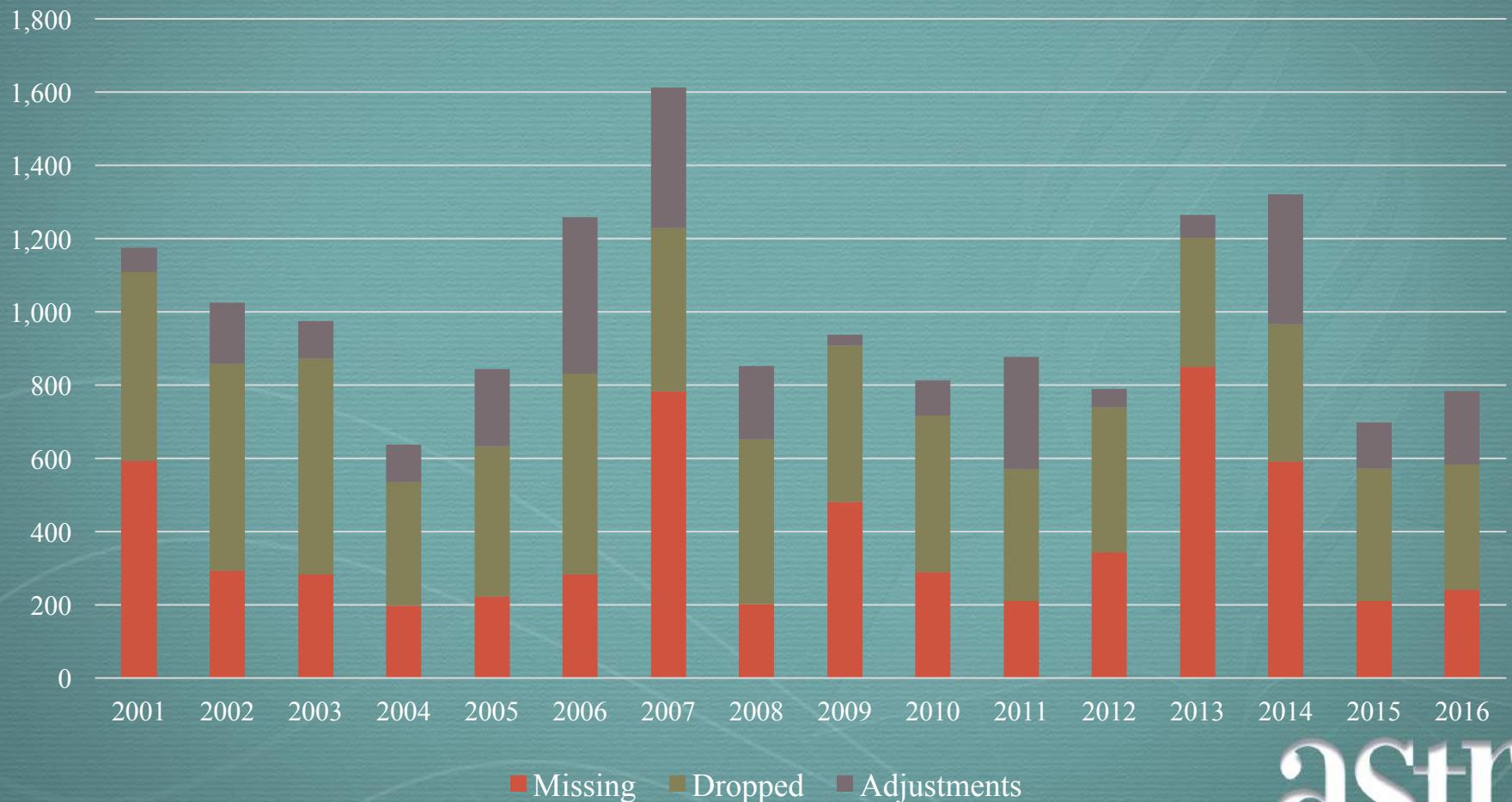
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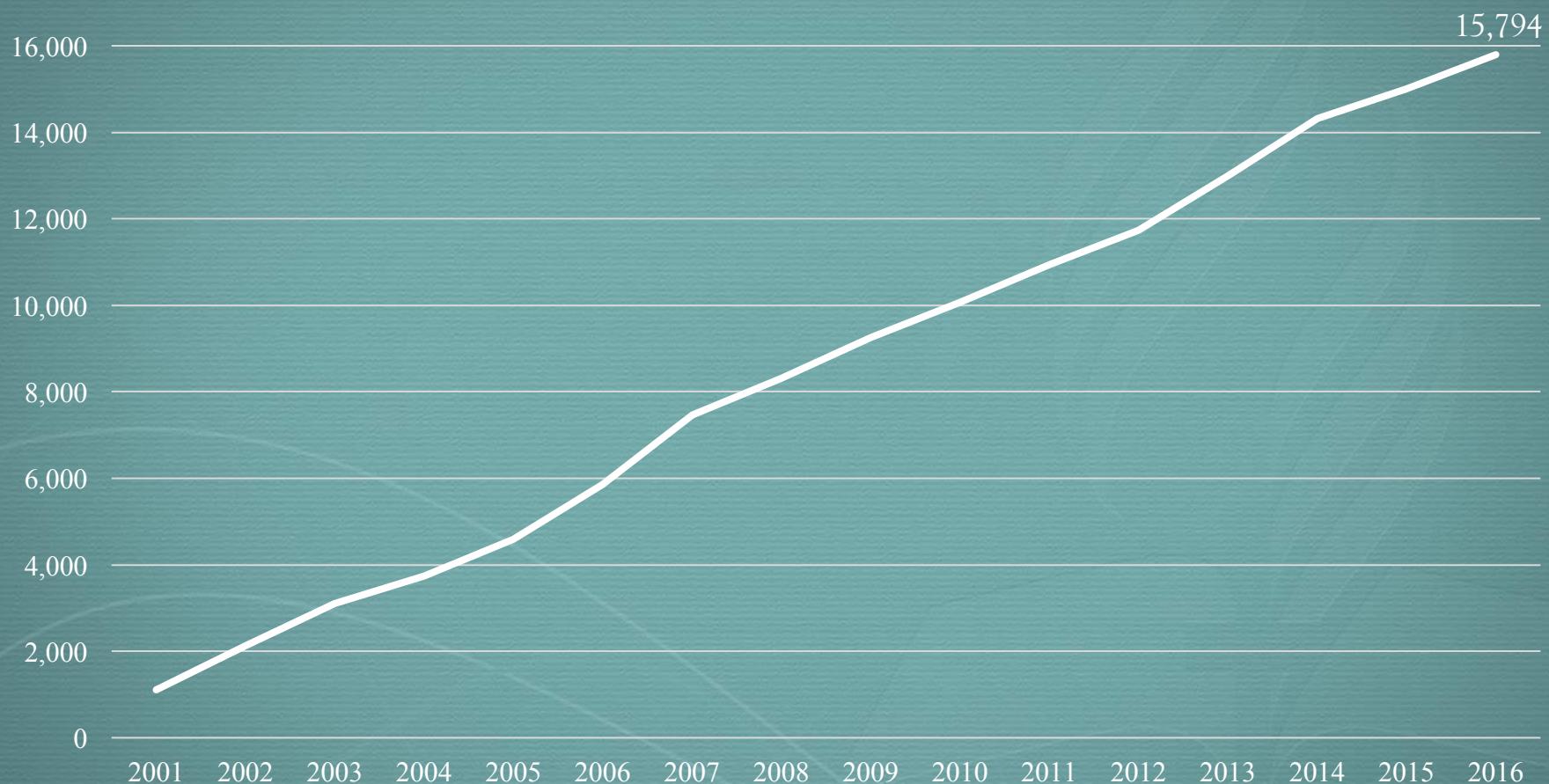
# TOTAL LOSSES – TED (current territory)



■ Missing ■ Dropped ■ Adjustments

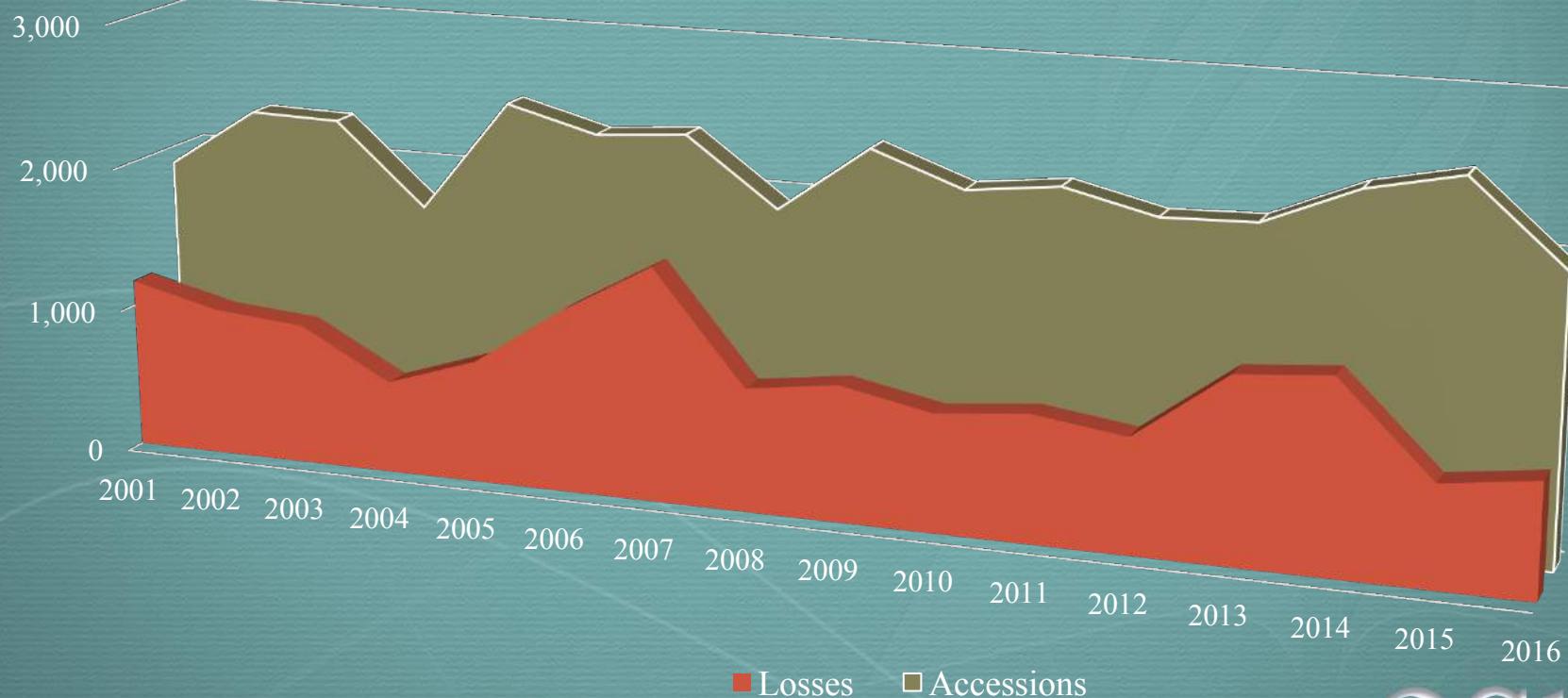
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# CUMULATIVE LOSSES – TED (current territory), 2001–16



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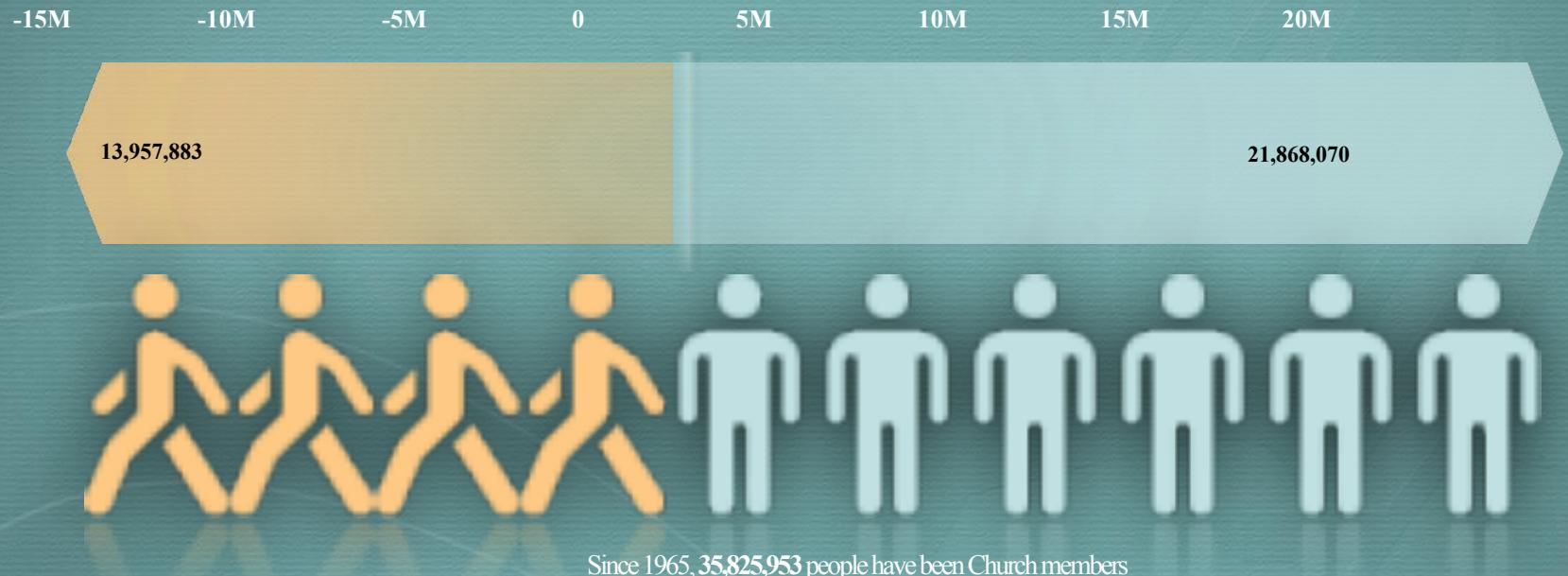
# GAINS & LOSSES – TED (current territory), 2001–16



■ Losses      □ Accessions

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# MEMBERS WHO LEAVE: GLOBAL



- Members who left
- Members who stayed

Since 1965, **35,825,953** people have been Church members

Of those, **13,957,883** have chosen to leave.

**Our net loss rate is 38.96%.**

In effect, **four of every ten** church members slipped away.

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# GLOBAL LOST: DROPPED VS. MISSING, 1965-2016



- Dropped
- Missing and Unknown

Global missing and unknown  
are 108.31% of the dropped

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