



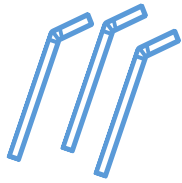
Plastic Impacts on the Marine Environment

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Single-Use Plastics Are the Most Commonly Collected Items in Beach Cleanups



Straws, Stirrers



Forks, Knives, Spoons



Plastic Beverage Bottles



Plastic Grocery Bags



Plastic Cups, Plates









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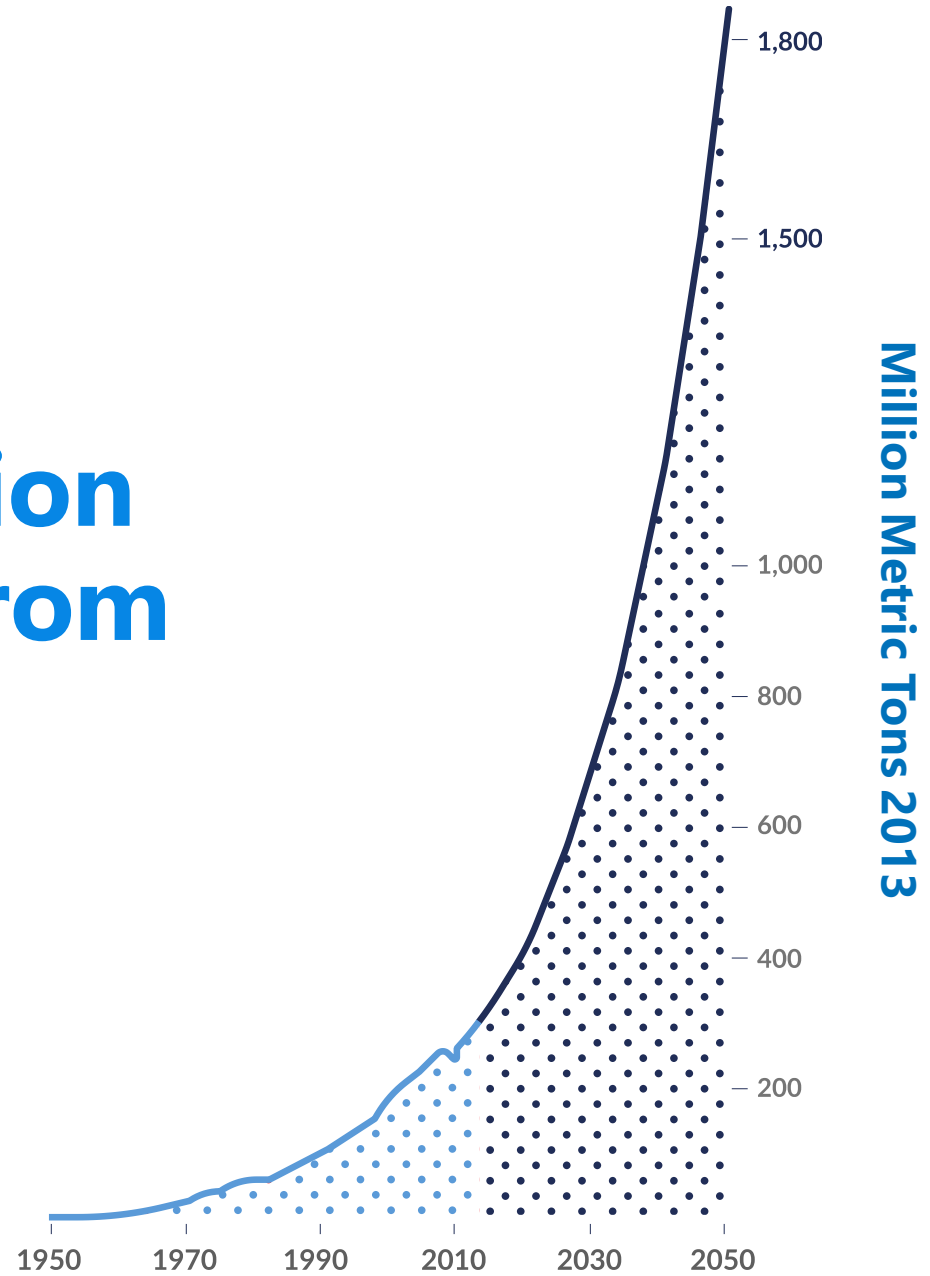




Source: UN Environment Programme and GRID-Arendal, 2016

Plastic Production to Quadruple from 2014 to 2050

● Historical Growth ● Future Growth



Drowning in plastic



Every day:



Eiffel Tower
324 meters



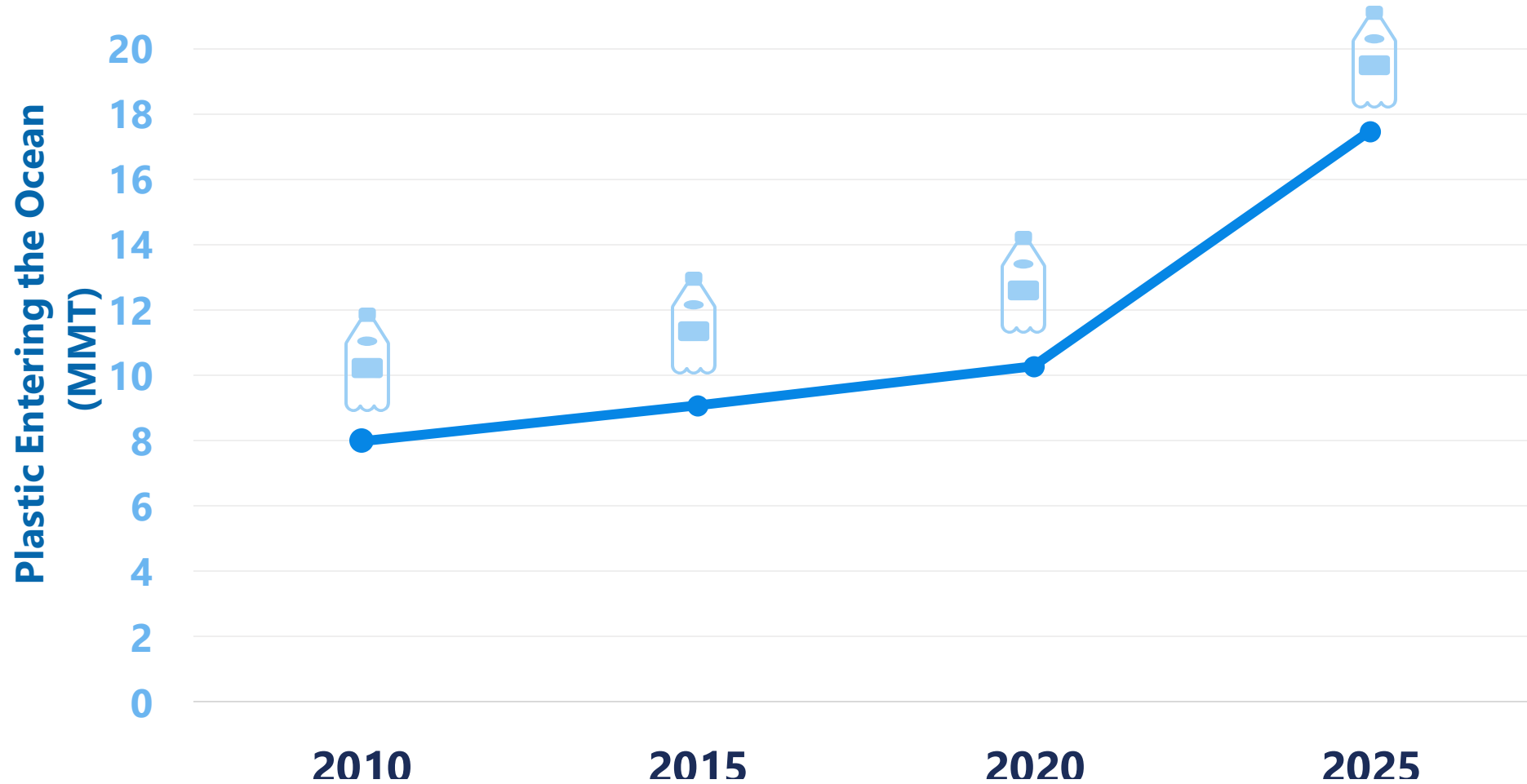
One month: **40 billion bottles**



Past 10 years: **4 trillion bottles**

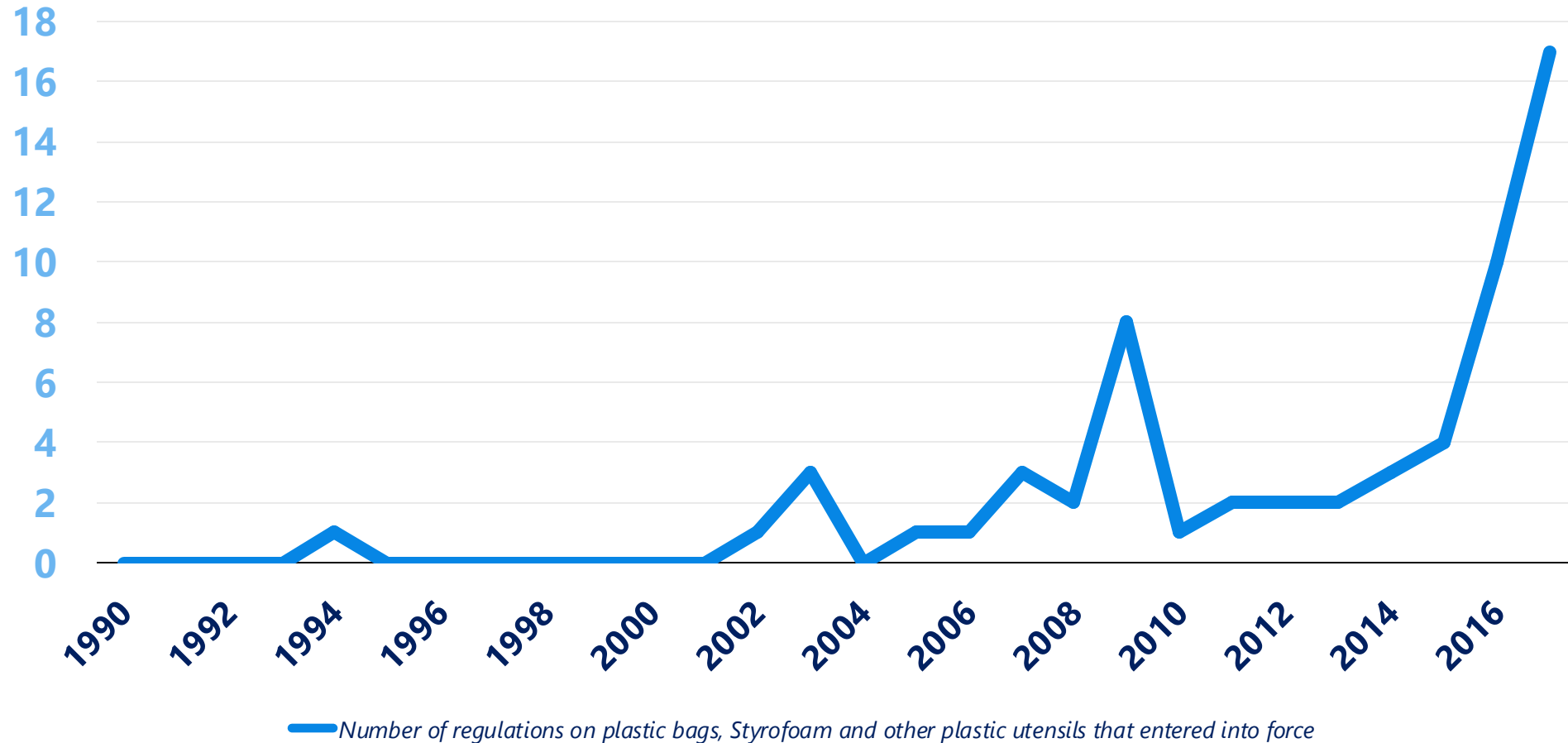


Expect to See 70% More Plastic in Our Oceans in 2025



Source: Jambeck et al. 2015 (supplementary material)

National Policies Regulating Single-Use Plastics Are Becoming Increasingly Common Around the World





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DO YOU WANT?

