

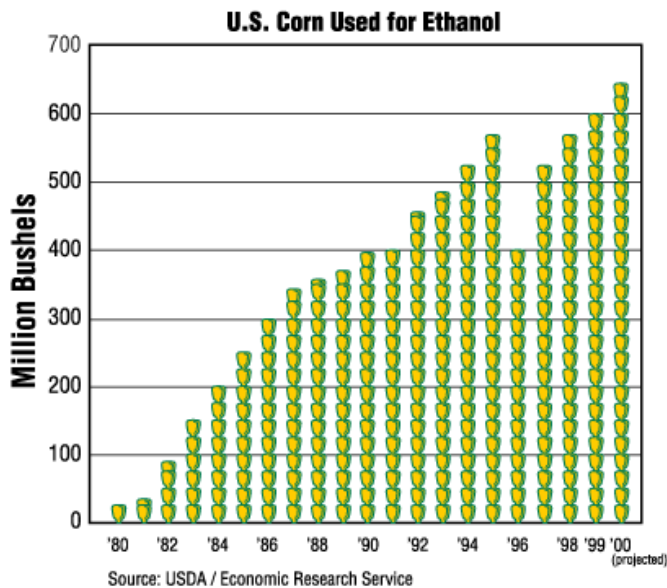
**Social Studies Coalition of Delaware  
Selected Response**

**Standard: Economics 1a**

**Grade Cluster 6-8**

Ethanol is a renewable fuel made from corn and other agricultural products. In 1980 around 25 million bushels of corn was used in the production of ethanol. In 1990 around 400 million bushels of corn was used and in the year 2000 around 600 million bushels of corn was being used in the production of ethanol.

*Every bushel of corn can produce  
2.5 gallons of ethanol*



<http://www.nwicc.cc.ia.us/pages/continuing/business/ethanol/Module3.htm>

**Selected Response Prompt:**

Which of the following would reverse the trend that appears in the graph?

- A. An increase in demand for the use of a renewable resource.
- B. A decrease in the supply of crude oil.
- C. A decrease in demand for the use of a nonrenewable resource.
- D. An increase in the supply of crude oil.

**Correct Response:**

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