

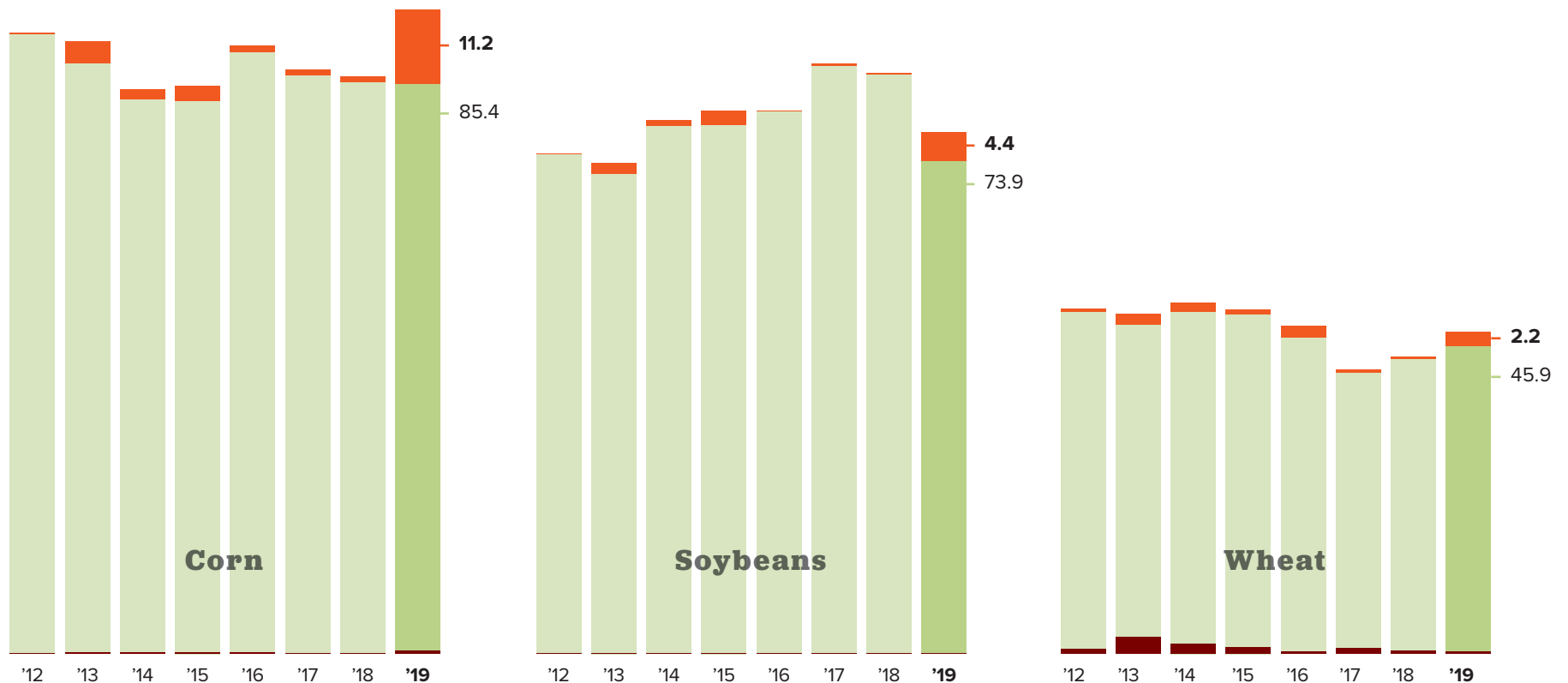
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## Heavy rains and flooding prevented planting of millions of acres

Torrential rains and inundated flood plains have thwarted plans to plant 19.4 million acres of crops, mostly in 12 Midwestern states. However, U.S. farmers have successfully planted about as many acres of corn as they did last year. Some analysts have suggested farmers planted additional crops despite the weather conditions to qualify for greater compensation from USDA's trade relief program, according to The Wall Street Journal.

### Farmers were unable to plant 19.4 million acres of crops, but are still on track for corn and wheat

IN MILLIONS OF ACRES, as of Aug. 1



Source: USDA Farm Service Agency, POLITICO staff reports

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