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## Peak Policy for Reparable Parts

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# Agenda

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- Peak Policy Background
  - What is Peak Policy?
  - Consumable Item Analyses
- Applying Peak Policy to Repairable Items
- Preliminary Results
- Next Steps

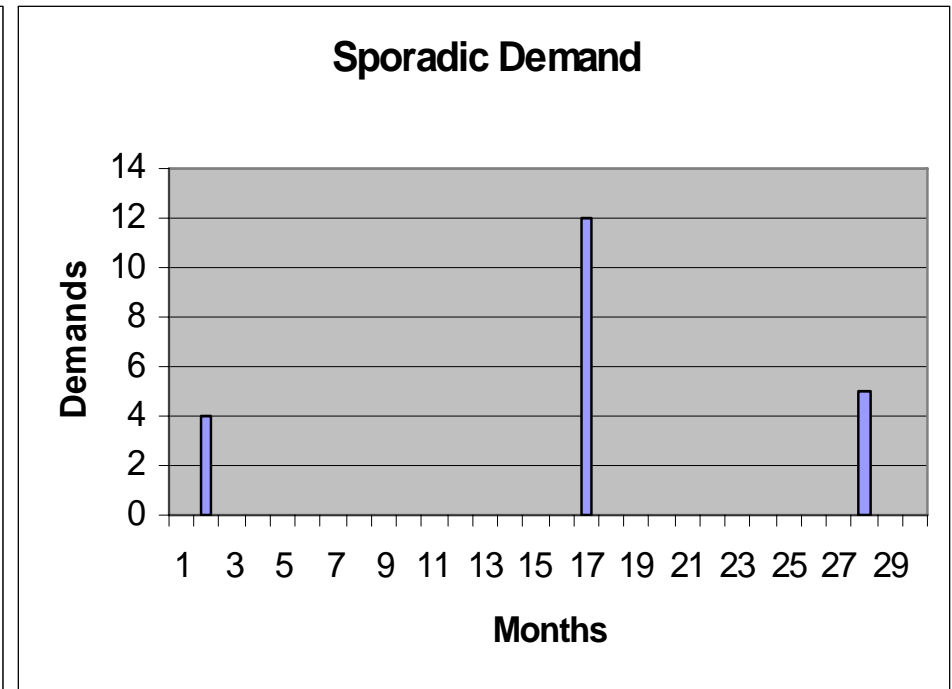
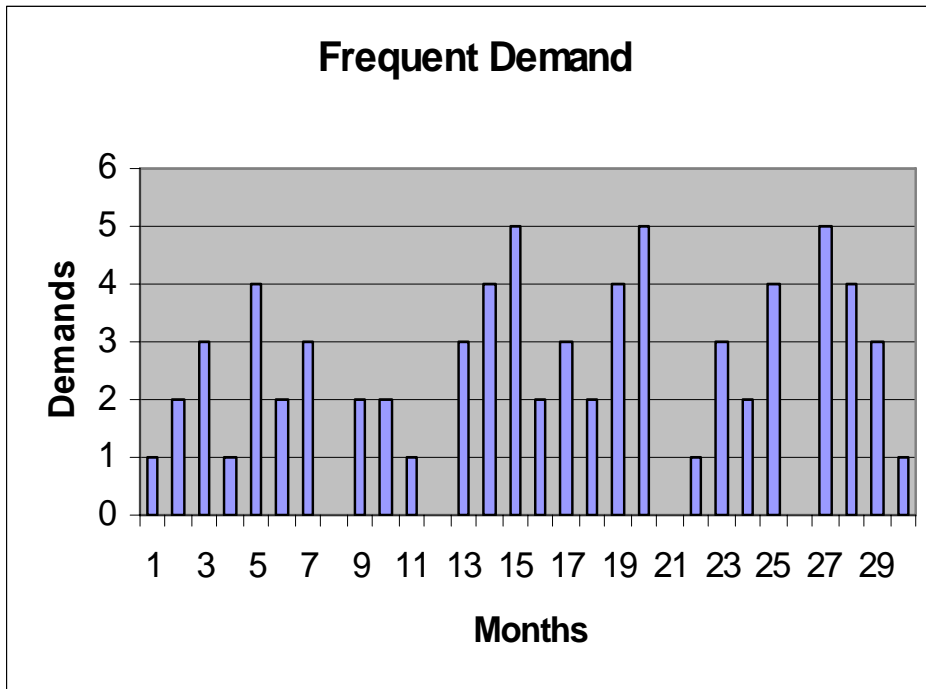
# What is Peak Policy?

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- New rules for managing sporadic demand items that:
  - Set reorder points based on peak (highest in trailing # periods) demands and price-based multipliers
  - Set order quantities based on item price
  - Change the threshold between replenishment and NSO
  - Forecast *how often* future demands occur instead of *how much* demand occurs
- Above activity threshold, keep baseline policy for frequently-demanded items



# What is sporadic demand?



# Peak Policy Background

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- Developed by LMI to improved service on sporadic demand items
- Enables tradeoffs between wait time, investment, and procurement actions
  - policies tailored to customer goals
  - service level vs. investment curves aid development
- Successful pilot at DLA on initial item population
- Further implementation activities ongoing



# Consumable Item Analyses

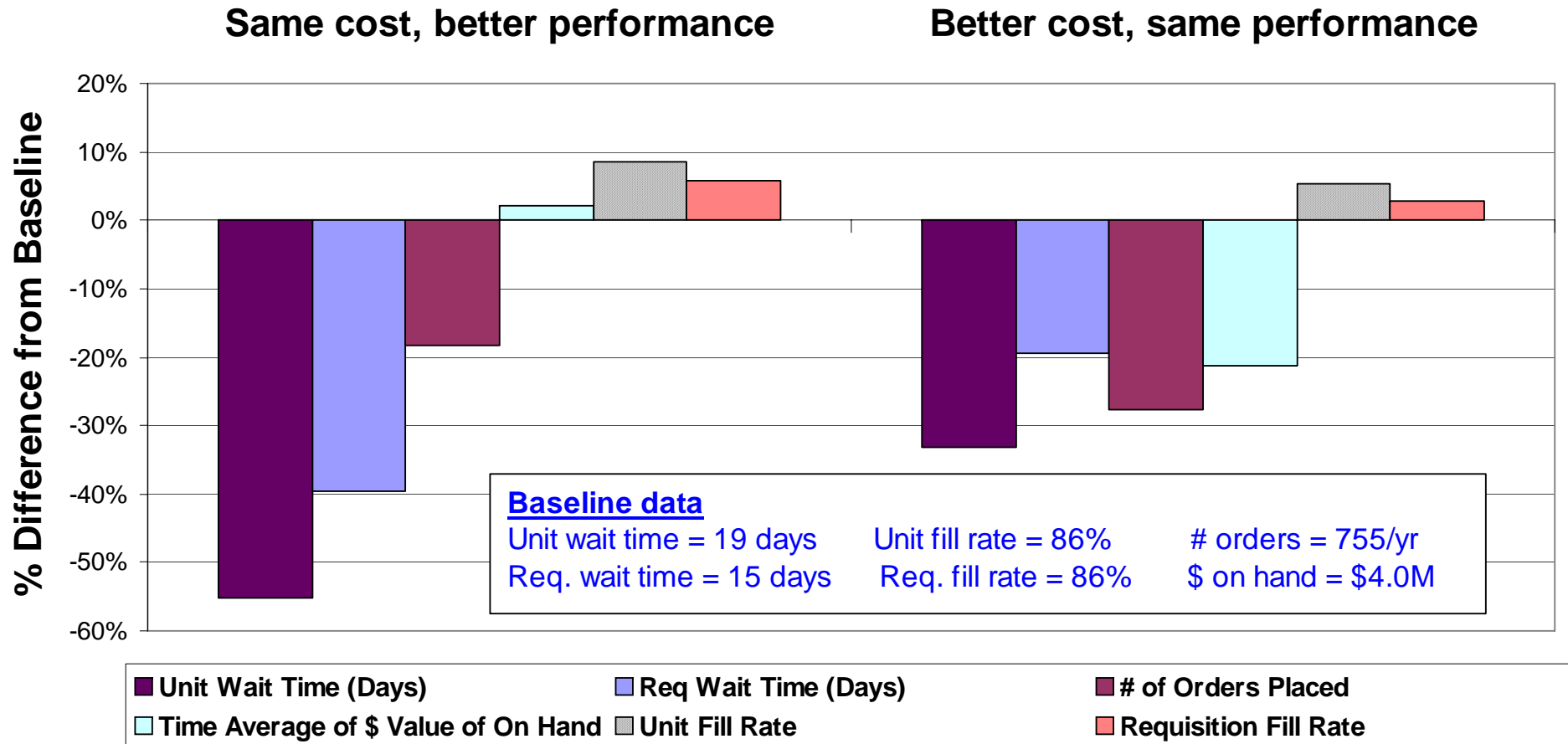
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- Analyses on over 20 consumable item populations show significant potential
  - 25-50% wait time reduction
  - Up to 15% reduction in inventory investment
  - Up to 35% reduction number of orders placed
- Benefits shown at wholesale AND end-user levels of supply chain
- Pilot program showed benefits quickly
  - Long lead times typically delay improvements

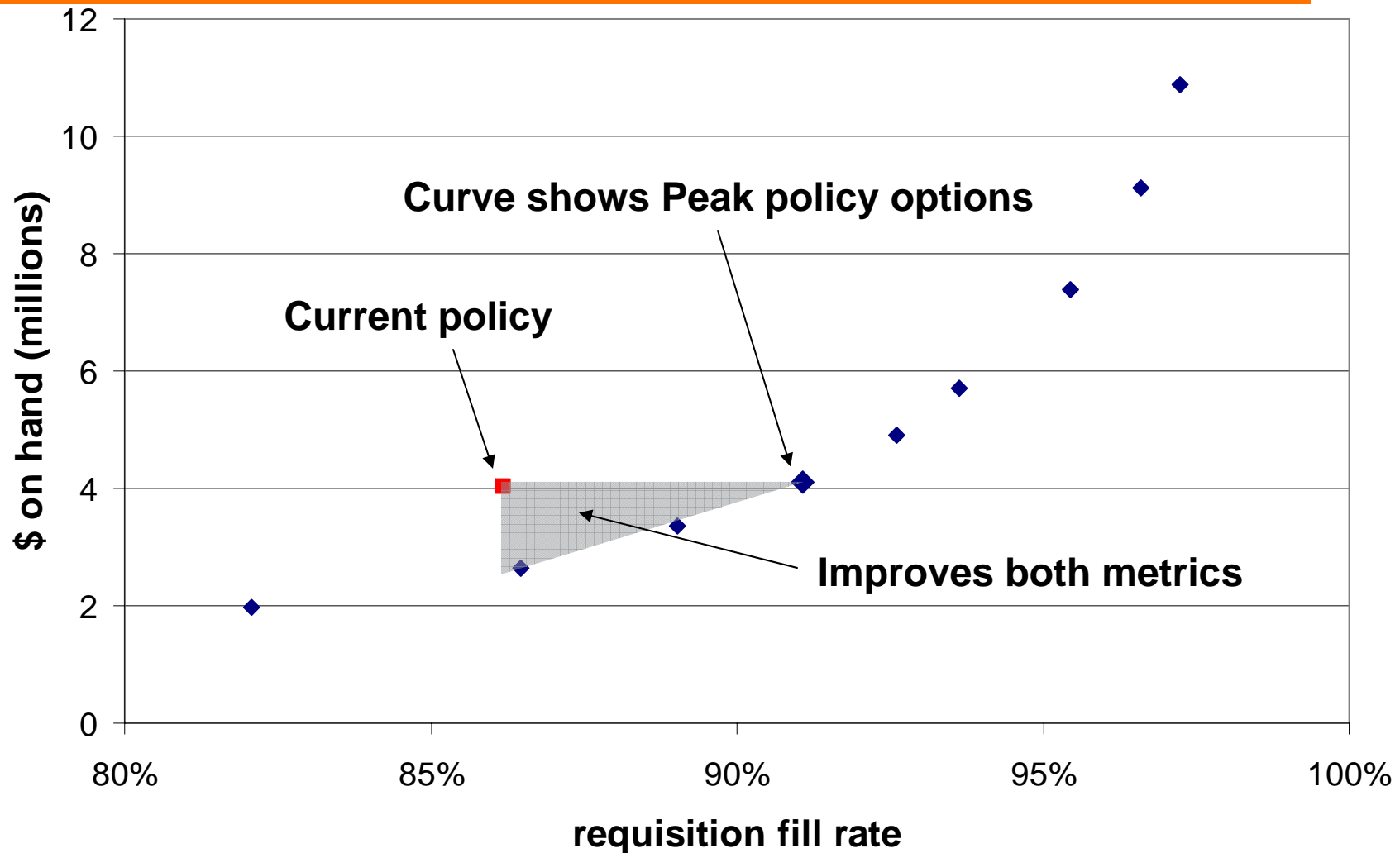




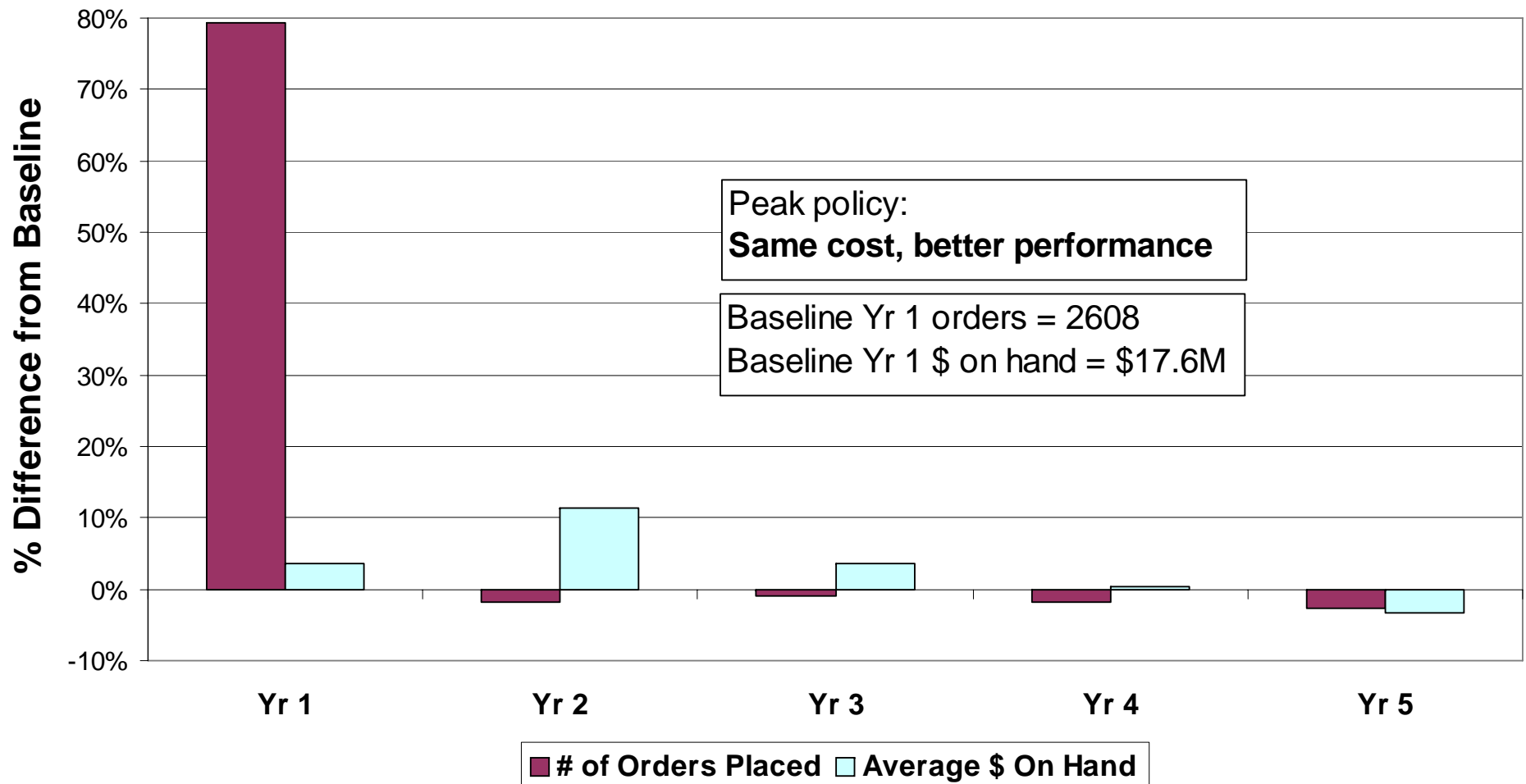
# Two Policies' Projected Performance Sample Item Population



# Trading Off Fill Time vs. \$ On Hand Sample Item Population



# Near Term Impacts Sample Item Population



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# Peak Policy for Repairable Items

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- Two areas where policy may be applied
  - Setting procurement levels
  - Setting repair levels
- Activity threshold for repairables may be different from consumables
- Several echelons of supply chain can be analyzed
  - Wholesale procurement only
  - Depot-level repairs
  - Local repairs



# Pilot Study with Army

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- Use depot-level reparables only: 12,152 parts
  - Data collection for field-level reparables too involved for initial studies
- Initial simulations ignore effect of migration, so limited to the 1,372 NSO-2 items
  - Prevent movement across activity threshold between NSO-2 and demand-supported items
- Apply several computational simplifications to make policy emulation easier at early stages
- “Peak” demand considers condemnations only



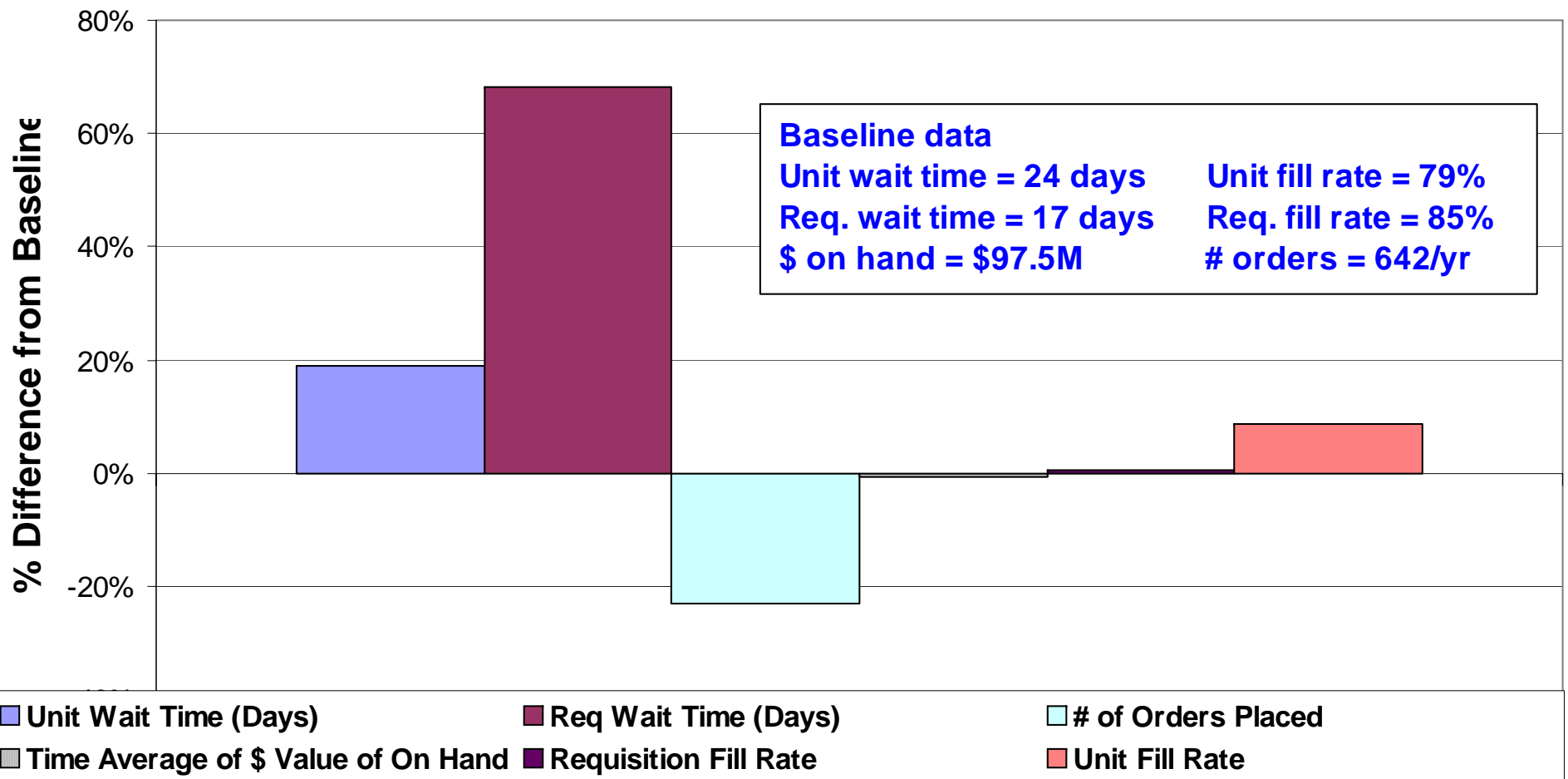
# Simulated Repairable Results

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- Unit fill rates improved up to 8% (30% reduction in non-fills)
  - More difficult keeping dollars in inventory under control compared to consumable items
    - Item prices much larger than for consumables
  - Procurement actions reduced by up to 30%
  - Unable to reduce wait times
    - Long lead time items driving high average WTs
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- Next: can we address reduce wait times by treating long lead time items differently?



# Preliminary Peak Policy NSO Reparable Item Population





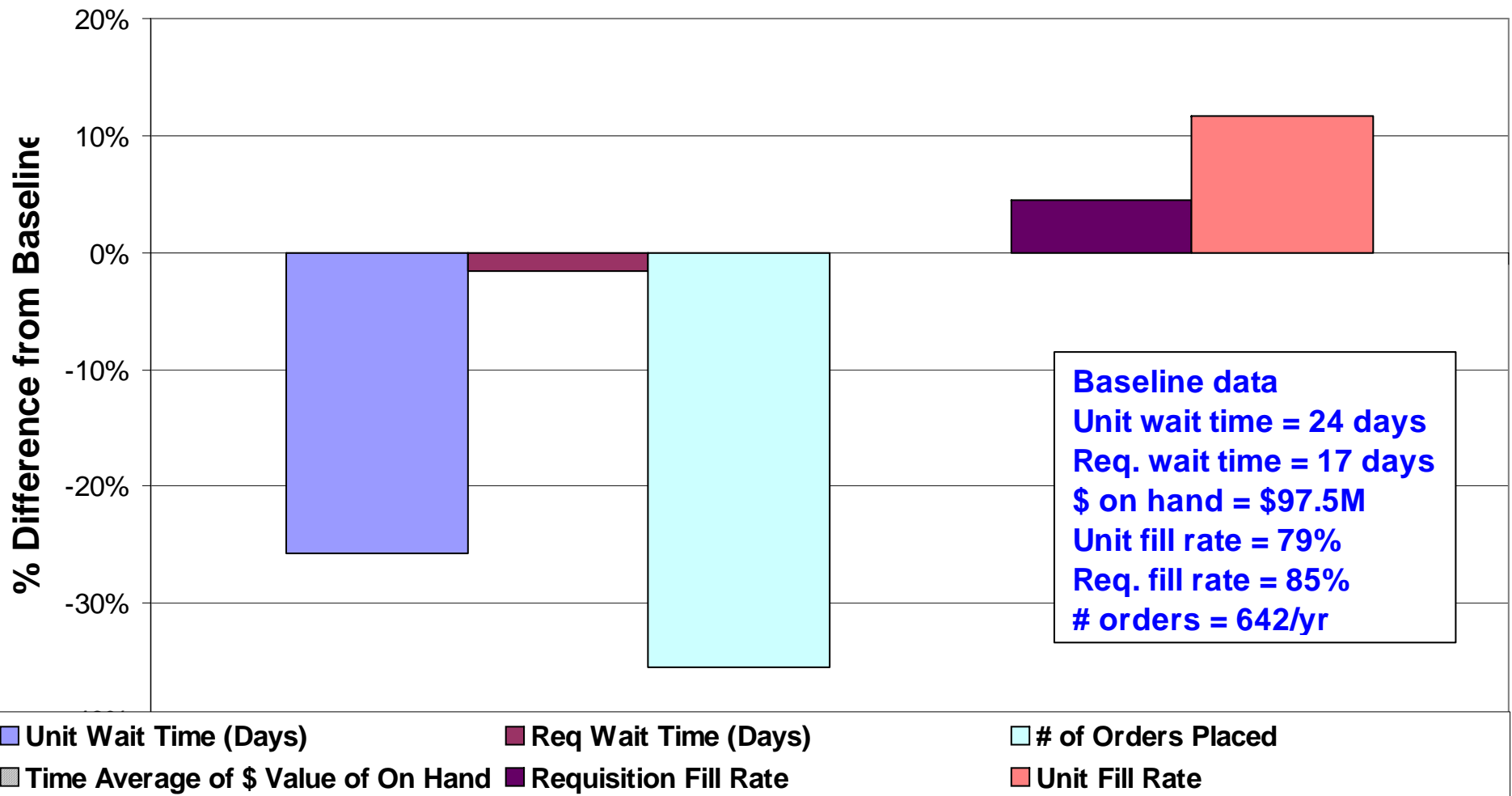
# Addressing Long Lead Times

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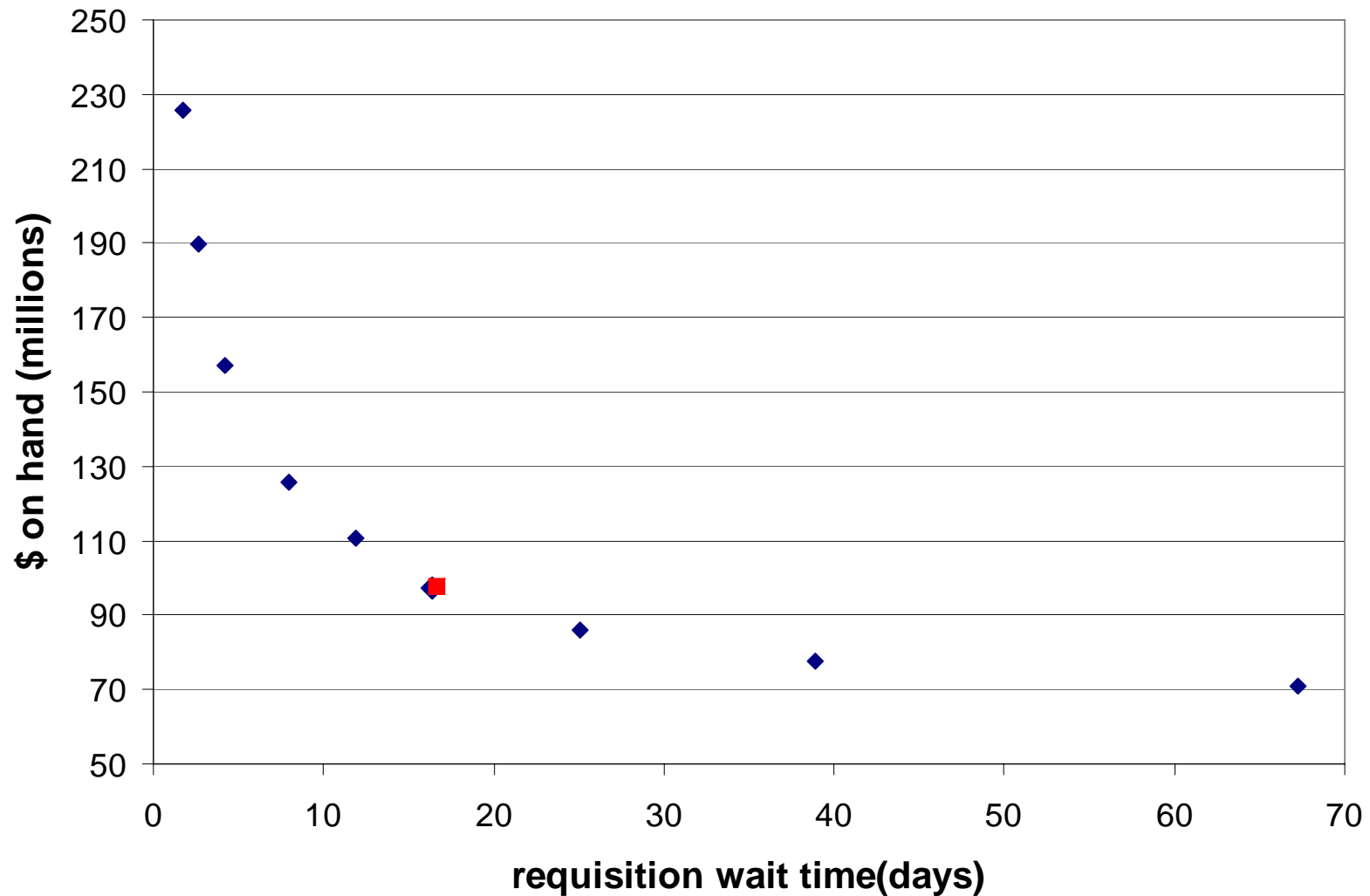
- Tried several variations of scaling factor\*ROP for lead time  $> x$ 
  - $ROP = 1.4 * PeakROP$  for  $LT > 12$  months,
  - $ROP = 2.0 * PeakROP$  for  $LT > 24$  months,
  - Otherwise keep PeakROP
- Reduced unit and requisition lead times, but very expensive compared to equivalent Peak policy with no LT adjustments
- Create new peak policy settings to lower cost



# LT-Adjusted Peak Policy Reparable Item Population



# Trade-Off for LT-Adjusted Peak Policy Reparable Item Population



# Challenges

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- All services have condemnation vs. rotatable demand data available, BUT
  - Some data not recorded in national databases
  - Condemnation data not always collected at NSN level
- Army computations complex with many exceptions
  - Needed to simplify some rules; figure out where duplication was necessary to retain integrity of emulation
- Interaction of repair pipelines and levels with procurement pipelines and levels complex



# Next Steps

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- Further explore handling of lead times
- Implement migration for Army policy across NSO/demand-supported threshold
- Discuss what policy simplifications should be removed (i.e. make simulation more accurate)
- Expand exploration to other organizations
  - Air Force
  - Navy
  - FAA
- Expand exploration to repair policies



# Credits

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- AMSAA team
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# Backup – Population Data

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- 1372 NSO-2 items
- \$69.3M annual demand
  - total demand qty \* unit price for each item
    - NSO items treated as if repair is not an option so all demands are modeled as condemnations
  - Treating all demands as repairs instead, annual demand @ 15% repair prices = \$10.4M
- Item price percentiles
  - 25% = \$713.62
  - 50% = \$2079.00
  - 75% = \$6963.18
  - 90% = \$26399.38



# Backup: Computation Simplifications

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- Wilson EOQ calculation used for order quantities
- War reserves and below-depot assets excluded
  - Below-depot activity not modeled
- Repair safety level calculation uses same shadow price as procurement safety level
- Shadow prices static

