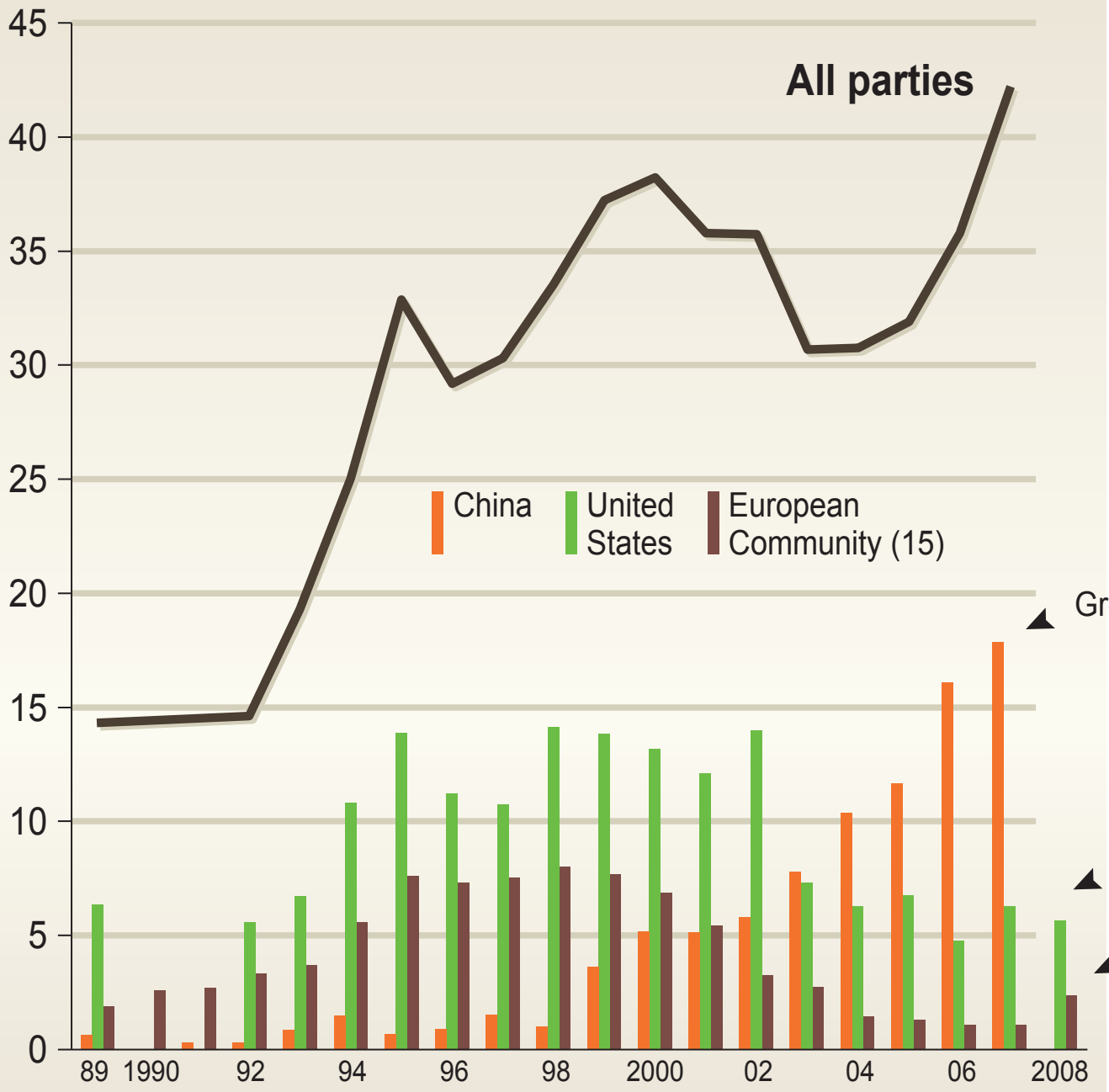
HCFC: A TRANSITIONAL SUBSTITUTE FOR CFC

Reported* HCFC consumption
Thousand ODP tonnes



Growing demand for HCFC in China

Gradually replaced by HFCs and, to a lesser degree by natural refrigerants in developped countries (where the HCFC phase-out deadline for production was reached in 2004).

Not harmful for the ozone layer, HFCs are very powerful greenhouse gases.

* 73 reporting countries in 1989, 165 in 2008.

Source: United Nations Environment Programme Ozone Secretariat, 2009.