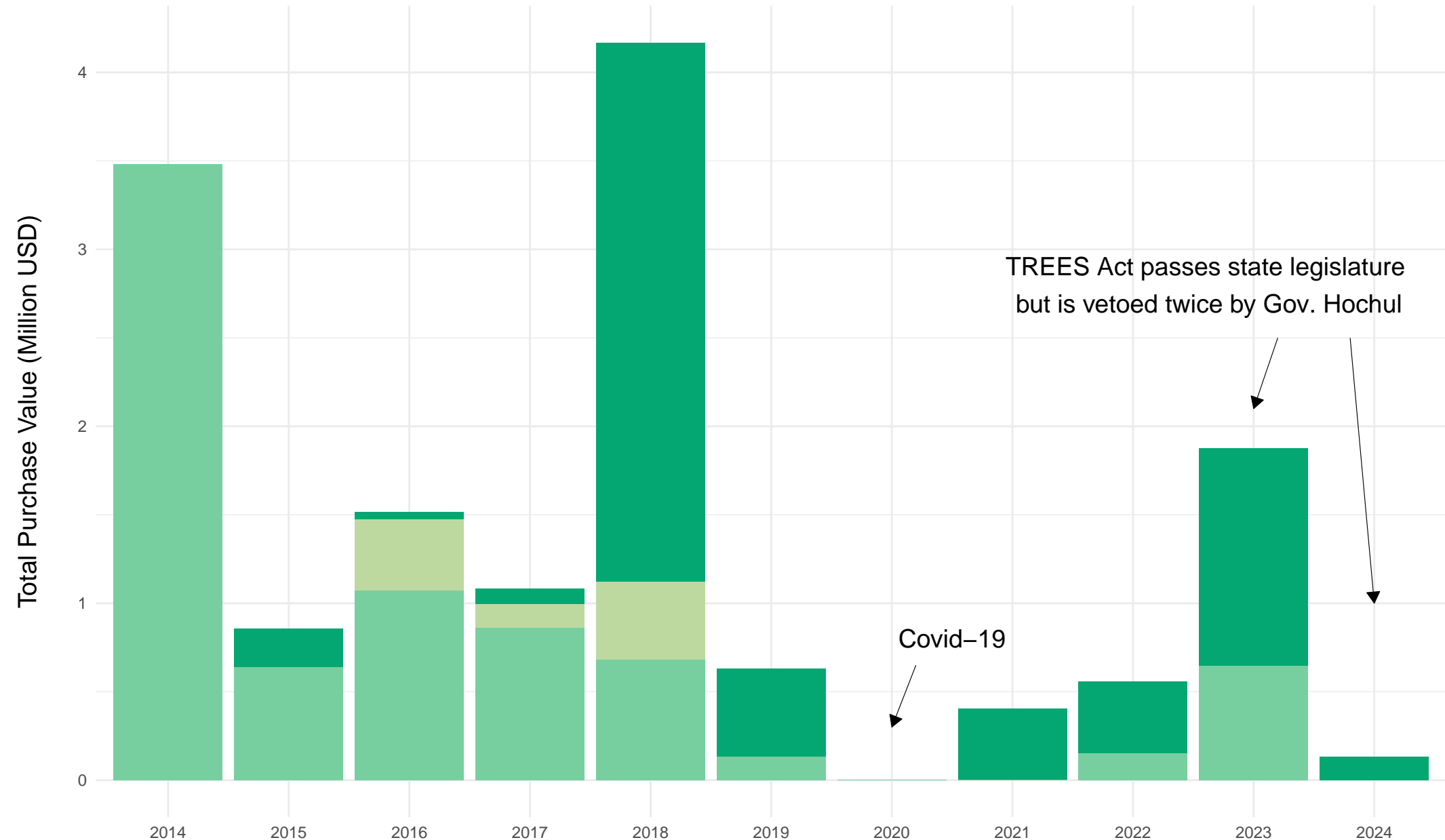


# In 1993, New York banned purchases of most wood from tropical forests. Twenty years later, the MTA is still buying it for NYC Subway tracks.

New York City Transit Authority purchases of tropical forest hardwood for NYC Subway ties and blocks

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\*The Tropical Rainforest Economic & Environmental Sustainability (TREES) Act would have given the MTA an exemption until 2030 to transition from the use of tropical hardwood.  
Chart by Annika McGinnis. Source: NYC Metropolitan Transit Authority