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Q. (Appendix E, page 9) There appears to be an inconsistency between the sentence immediately above Figure E-1 and the graphical representation within Figure E-1. Please provide a correction or an explanation.

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A. The two sentences above Figure E-1 should read "As indicated in Figure E-1 below, market/replacement cost ratios, as derived from the flow of funds accounts, have been systematically **lower** than the market to original cost ratios. For the U.S., the market/replacement cost ratio for corporations has averaged approximately 60% **lower** than the market/book ratio."