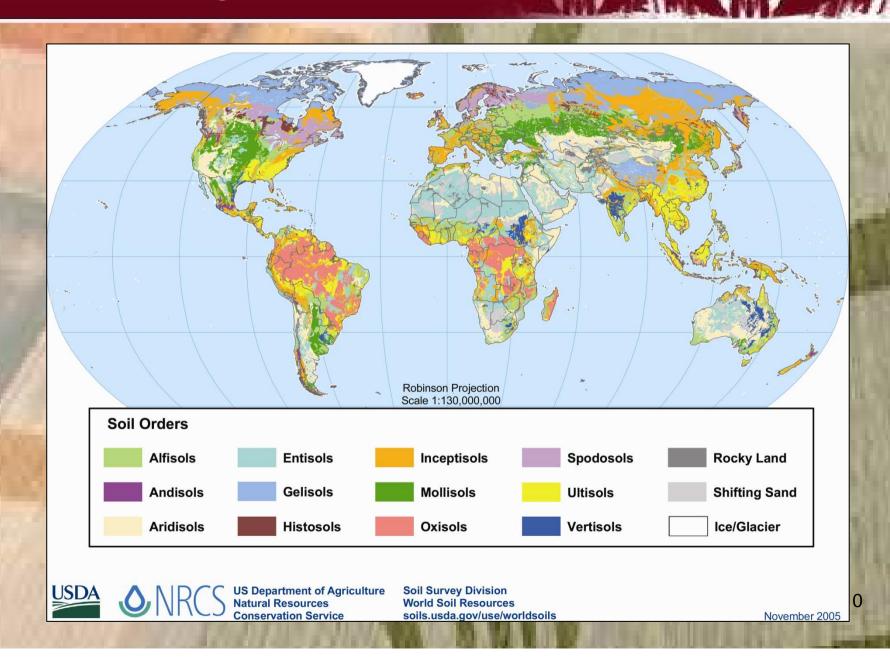
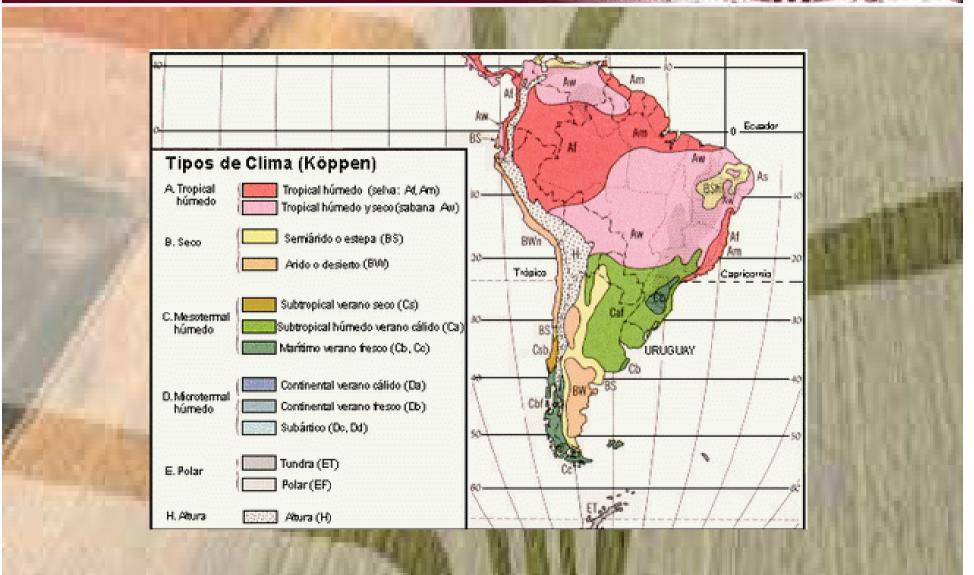




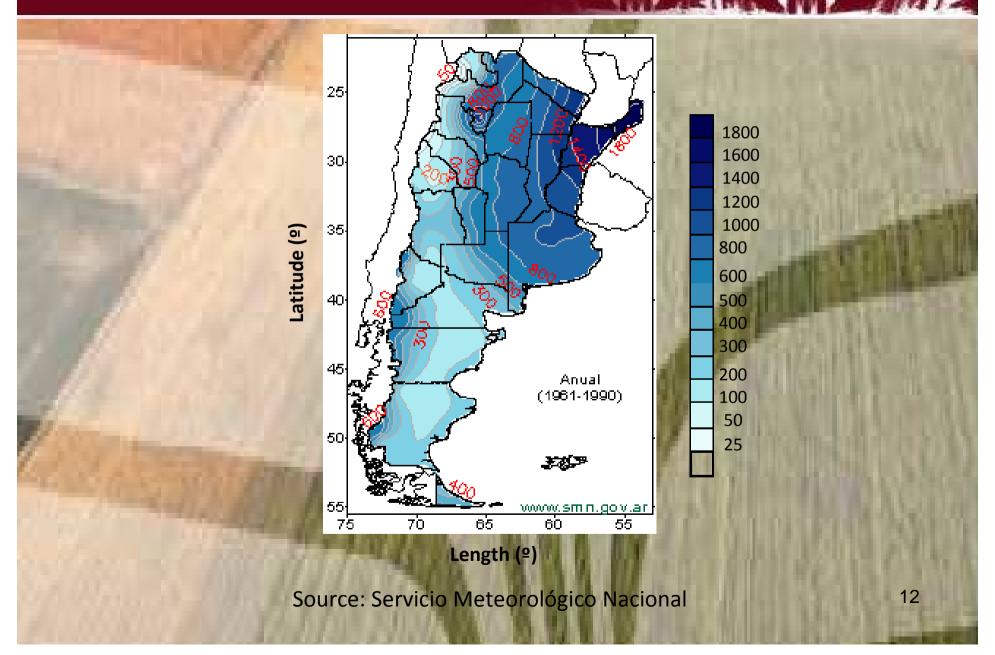
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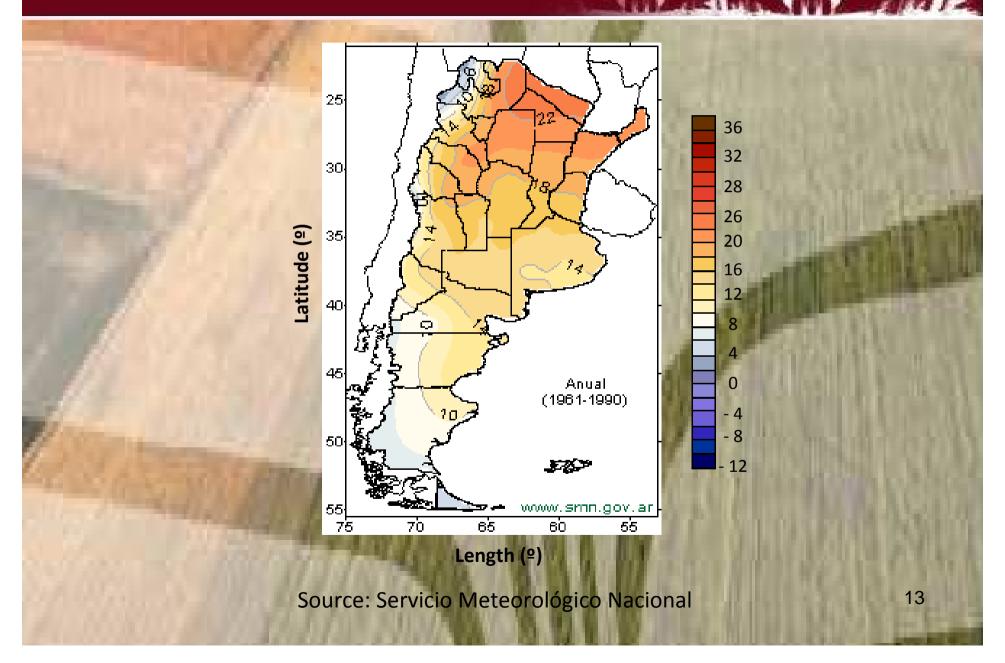
Climate Classification



Annual average rainfall (mm) Argentina (1961 – 1990)



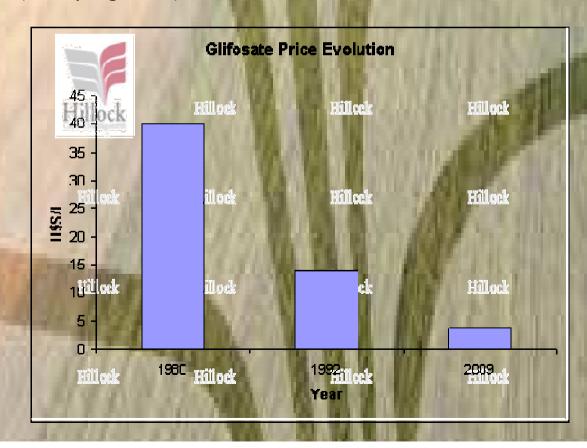
Annual average temperatures (° C) Argentina (1961 – 1990)





Historical Review

- In the 30's Michigan University adapted the first no tillage seeding machine.
- However, large scale tillage was made when 2,4-D (a broadleaf weed killer) was made available to farmers and leter Atrazine and Paraquat.
- In the 80's Glyphosate, was the key for the system expansion.
- In 1992 Glyphosate patent expires, its price falls drastically, and this leads to the expansion of no tillage seeding.
- Currently there are more than 100 million hectares under no tillage world wide. Have of it in South America (mainly Argentina).



GMO Impact

Commercial events approved in Argentina

Specie	Introduced feature Event Processing					
Soybean	Glyphosate tolerance	"40-3-2"				
Corn	Lepidoptera resistance	"176"				
Corn	Glufosinate ammonium tolerance	"T25"				
Cotton	Lepidoptera resistance	"MON 531"				
Corn	Lepidoptera resistance	"MON 810"				
Cotton	Glyphosate tolerance	"MON 1445"				
Corn	Lepidoptera resistance	" Bt 11"				
Corn	Glyphosate tolerance	" NK 603 "				
Corn	Lepidoptera resistance and Glufosinate ammonium tolerance	"TC 1507"				
Corn	Glyphosate tolerance	"GA 21"				
Corn	Glyphosate tolerance and Lepidoptera resistance	NK603x810				
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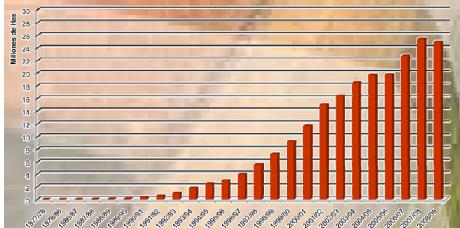
Evolution of the area cultivated with GMO in Argentina



Source: Argenbio, 2009

No Tillage in Argentina

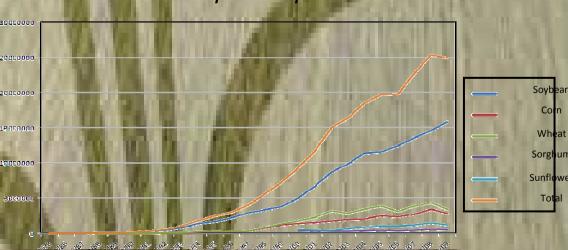




The fast expansion of the area under no tillage, from 9 million hectares in 1999 to 25.000.000 hectares in 2009, shows the continue interest in this technology

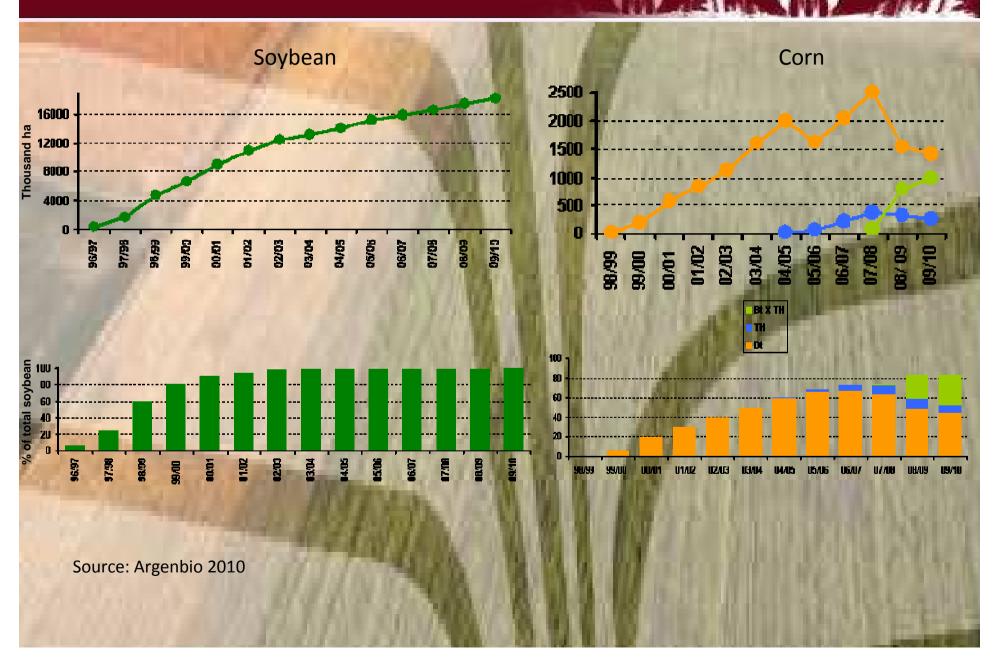
Evolution of Agricultural Area under no tillage per Crop

Over 70 % of Agricultural areasunder no tillage system. This value is 10 times higher than in most parts of the world.



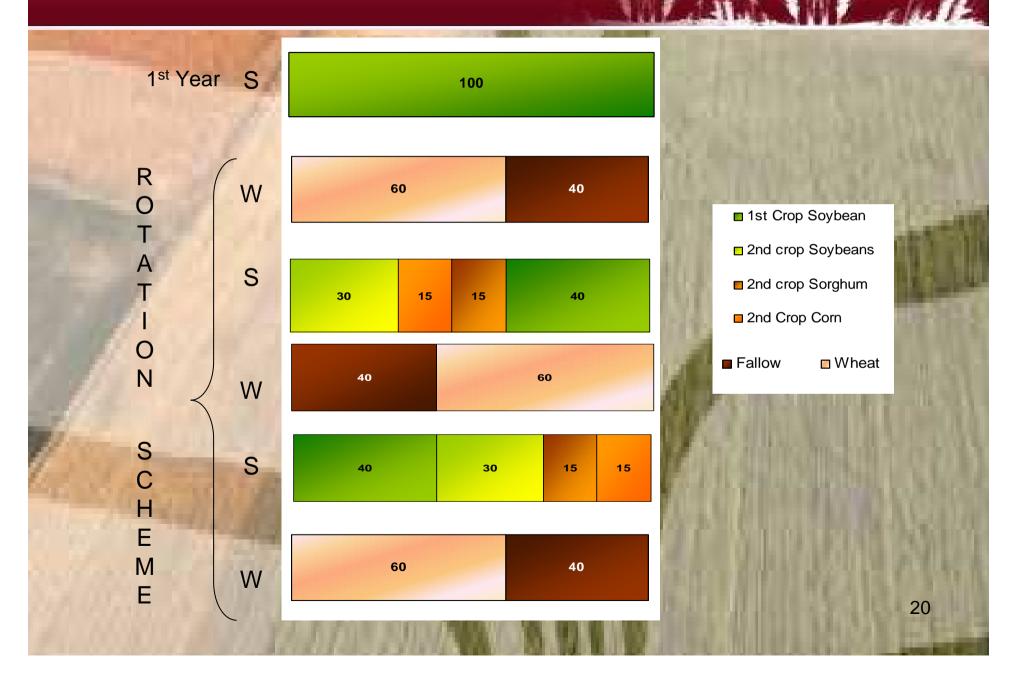
Source: Aapresid

Evolution of the Area with GMO in Argentina





Rotation Assumptions



Carbon Balance

Carbon/ha/year Amount

necessary to keep an appropriated level of O.M (2,5% in an ArgiudolTipico soil) = 4,3 tn/ha

- SOY 1º: 70 %
- WHEAT/SOY: 20%
- CORN: 10 %
- TOTAL : 2,8 TN/HA

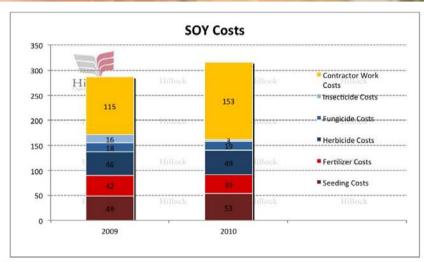
- WHEAT/SOY: 50%
- CORN: 50%

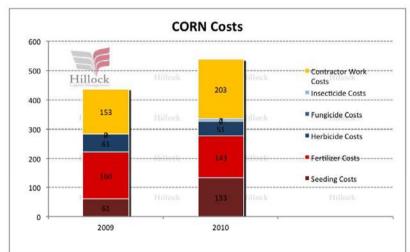
TOTAL: 4,8 TN/HA

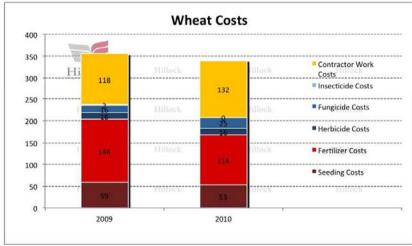
(11tn corn - 4,1tn wheat - 3,3 tn soy)

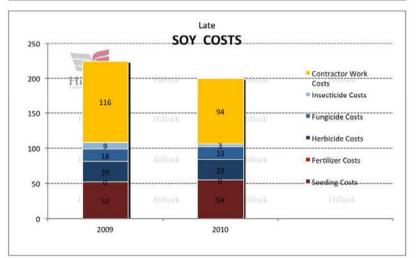


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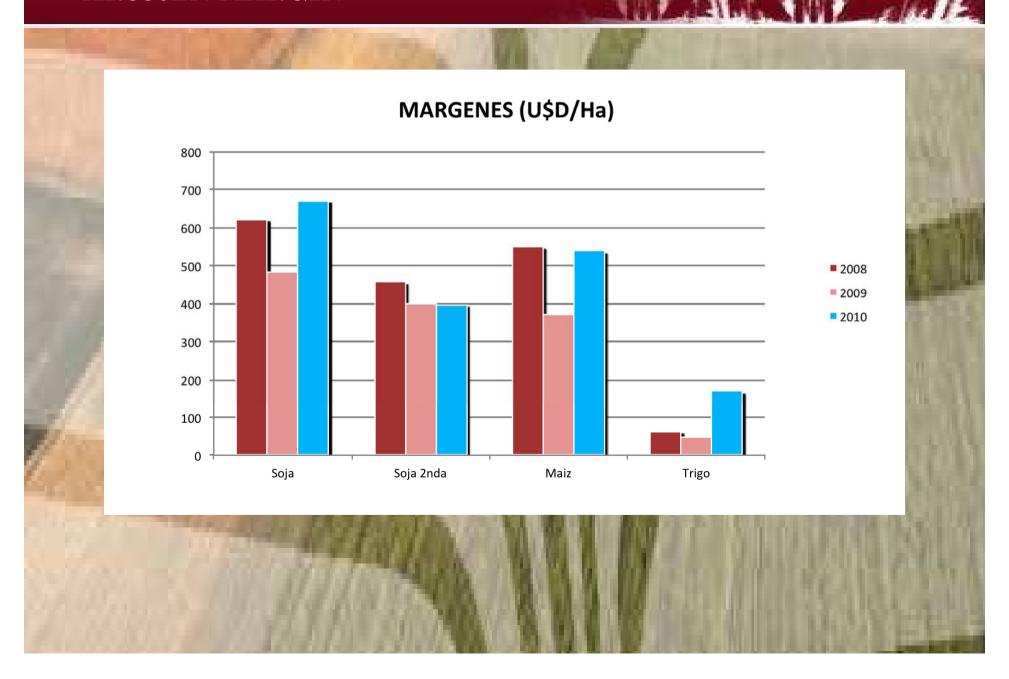








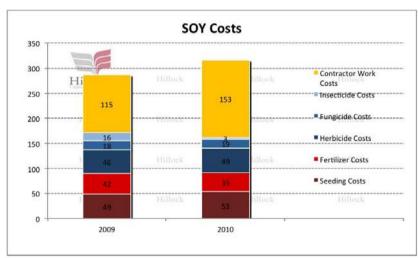
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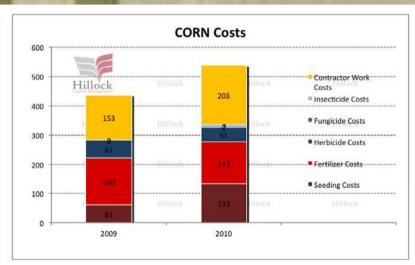


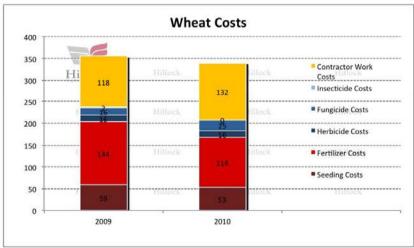
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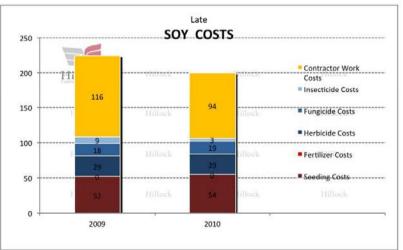
AR330ZN		SOY dev	LATE SOYBEANS	WHEAT	CORN
Acarage		83	165	165	83
Yield		4.80	2.90	3.70	13.20
Market Price		205	205	137	102
Market Revenue Main Product		986	596	508	1342
Gross Revenue		986	596	508	1,342
Seed Total		53	54	53	133
Fertilizer Total		39	0	114	143
Herbicide		48.90	29.20	15.89	51.12
Fungizide		19.00	19.00	24.75	0.00
Insect		3.11	3.11	0.00	6.86
Other Pesticide					
Plant Protection Total		71	51	41	58
Contract work		153	94	132	203
Total Direct Costs		316	200	340	537
NET MARGIN (Before Tax)	651	671	396	169	805
Land Value USD/Ha	9500				
NET MARGIN (Before Tax)	7%				
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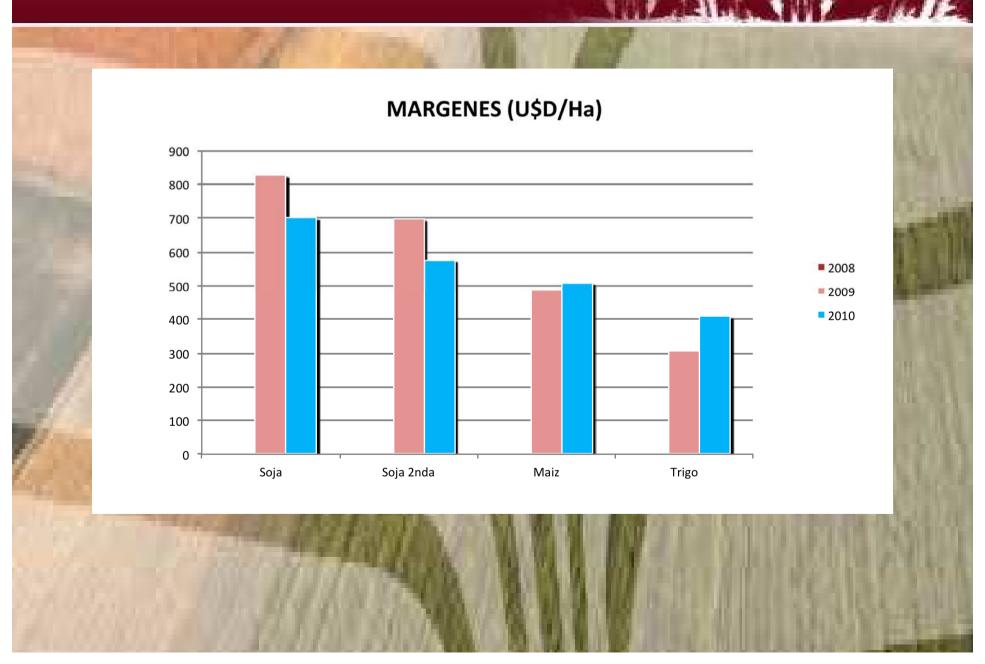








UY292SW MARGIN



UY292SW PROFIT

UY292SW		SOY dev	LATE SOYBEANS	WHEAT	CORN
Acarage		73	146	146	73
Yield		3.40	2.80	3.20	7.50
Market Price		302	302	241	123
Market Revenue Main Product		1027	846	771	921
Gross Revenue		1,027	846	771	921
Seed Total		73	73 73		149
Fertilizer Total		37	0	110	133
Herbicide		36.18	23.85	14.55	46.18
Fungizide		21.00	21.00	24.00	0.00
Insect		3.66	3.66	0.00	7.14
Other Pesticide					
Plant Protection Total		61	49	39	53
Contract work		156	149	151	172
Total Direct Costs		326	270	363	508
NET MARGIN (Before Tax)	770	700	576	408	413
Land Value USD/Ha	4060				
NET MARGIN (Before Tax)	19%				



- In the early stages of agriculture immigrants faced difficulty in accessing land ownership.
- So they either invested on Machinery or got employed at the farms.
- During the 40's worker conflicts convinced owners to outsource services avoiding to keep machinery and employees in their payroll.
- Paralel to this is a growing trend of farm owners to move to the cities.

Source: Barsky Osvaldo y Gelman Jorge (2001)

- During the 50's the government subsidized interest rates for the purchase of machinery.
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- Another reason was that at the beginning machinery required up to 25 persons to operate.
- Today this has been reduced but machinery requires high training and specialization.
- No till technology is another reason for the expansion of contractor around Argentina.
- In the 90's large production pools originated and pushed even farther the need fro contractors.

Source: Barsky Osvaldo y Gelman Jorge (2001)

Cuadro 1 Explotaciones Agropecuarios – Provincia de Buenos Aires Contratación de Servicios de Maquinaria Agrícola (en hectáreas y % del total implantado/cosechado)

	1988	1996		2001	
•	ha.	ha.	% (1)	ha.	% (1)
Presiembra /siembra		5.413.119	50,8%	8.420.420	66,4%
Fertilización / Pulverización		3.925.189	36,8%	7.109.050	56,0%
Cosecha		6.022.084	72,0%	6.493.011	72,3%
Siembra directa /otros		396.163	3,7%	1.604.331	12,6%
Total	7.986.994	15.756.554	23.626.812		
Cantidad de EAP que demandan servicios /Total de EAPs	48%	56%		62%	

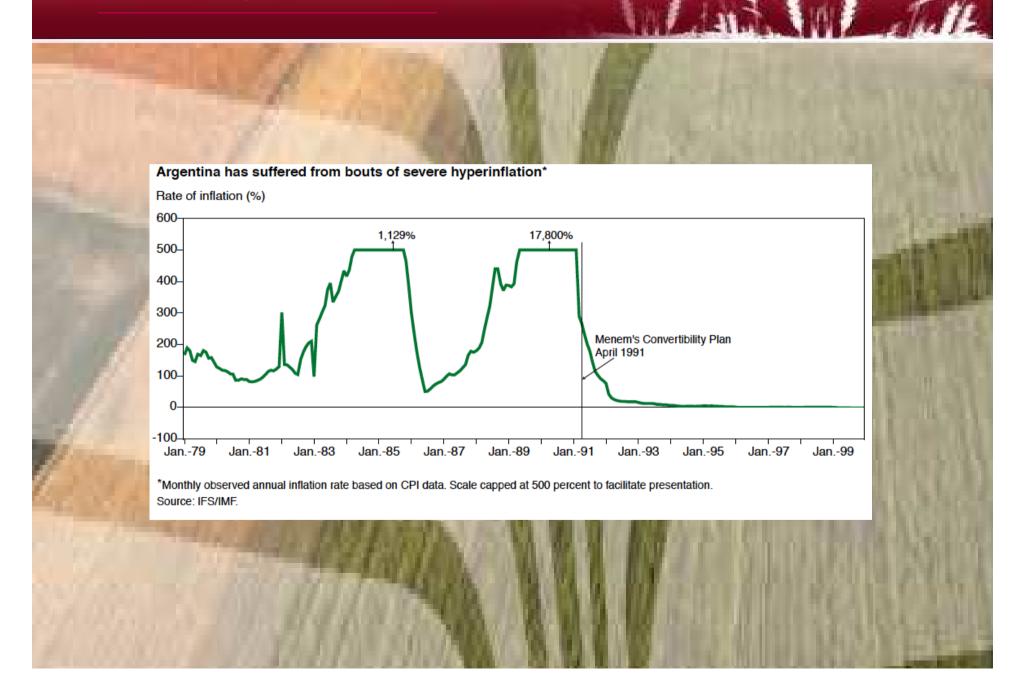
Fuente: CNA 1988 y las ENA 1996 y 2001. INDEC y DPE.

Nota: (1) en % del total implantado, salvo para las tareas de Cosecha que se expresa en % del total

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THE 90's

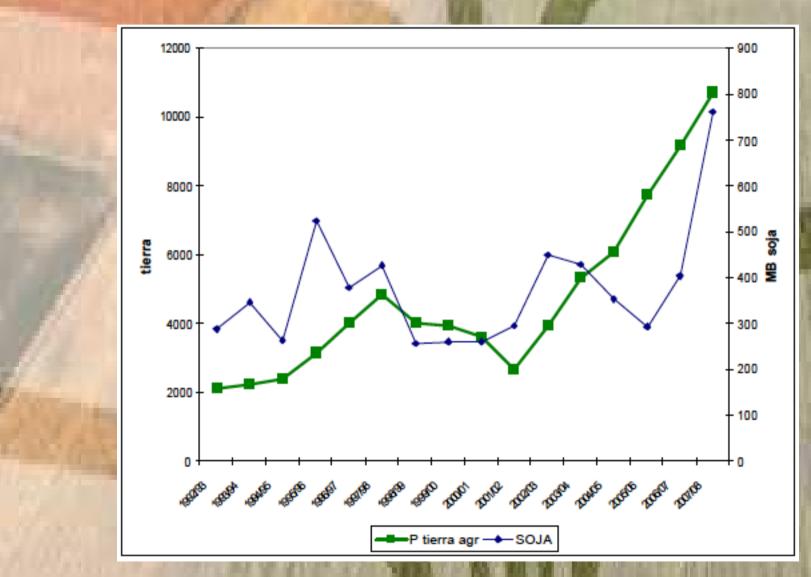


THE 90's

- Convertibility Plan
- Elimination of Export Taxes
- Elimination on restrictions to import Ag. Inputs
- Tax exemption on capital goods imported
- •Elimination of government commodity agencies holding export monopolies.
- Privatization of Marketing and Transport infrastructure.

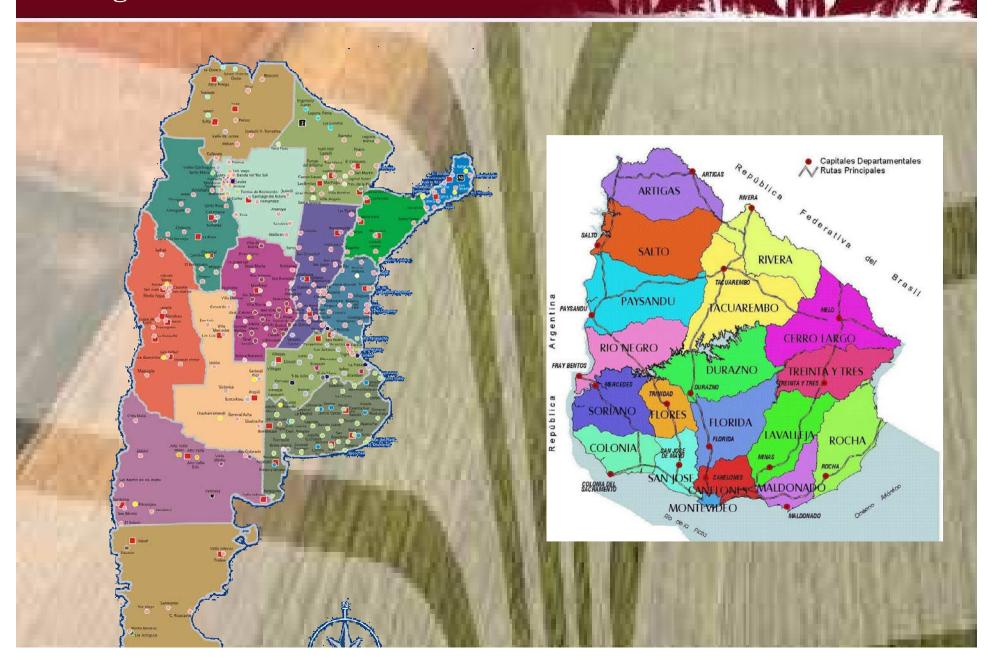
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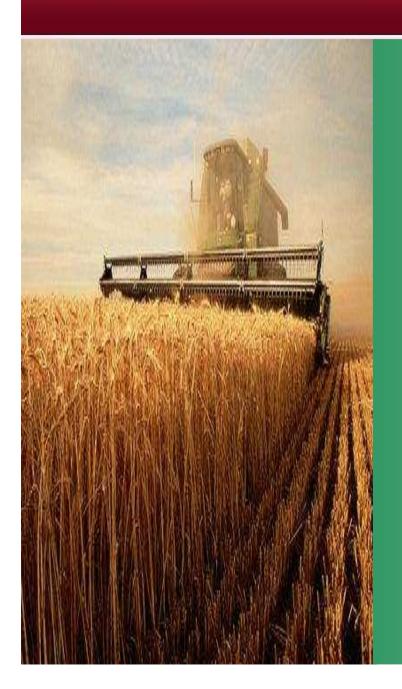
Land Value



Source: Inta

Regions





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