



GMOs: How is this affecting us?

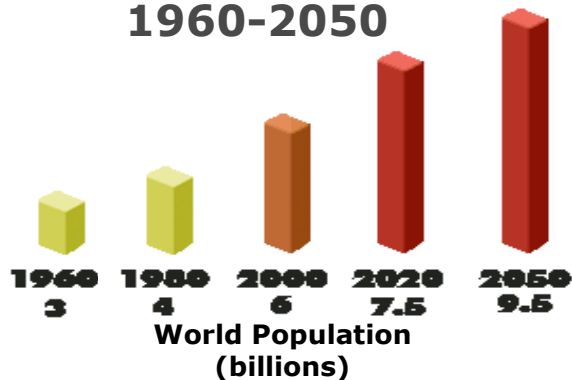
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Agriculture is at the center of global trends

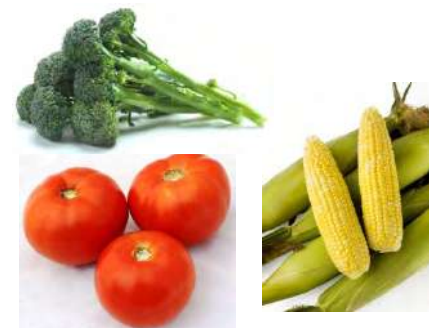
Population Growth 1960-2050



Changing Economies & Diets



Demand For Healthier Options

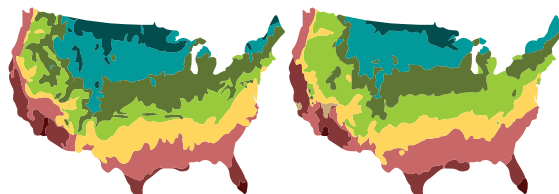


= 2X Food Demand By 2050

in a more challenging production environment



Decreasing Water Availability



1990

2013

Changing Climate & Declining Arable Land

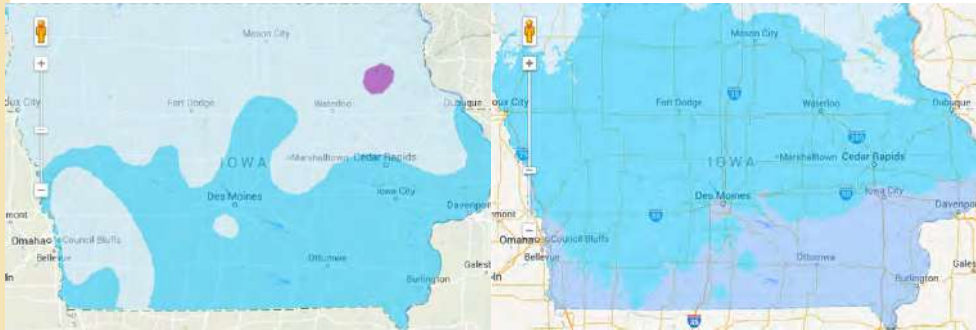


Evolving Ag Policies



Climate: greater variability in outcomes

SHIFTING PLANTING ZONES



■ -25 to -20 (F)

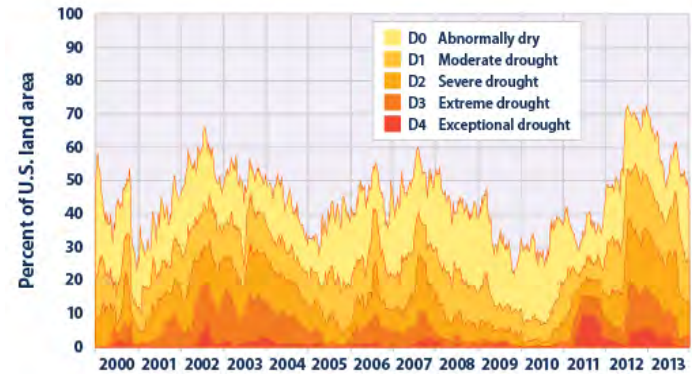
1990

■ -20 to -15 (F)

2012

INCREASING ADVERSE WEATHER

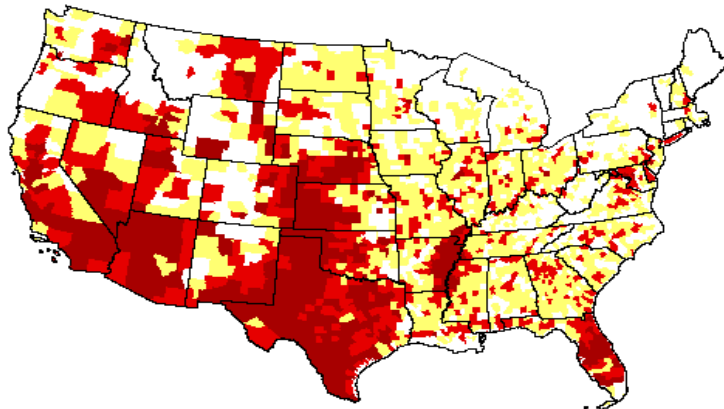
Figure 2. U.S. Lands Under Drought Conditions, 2000–2013



Source: National Drought Mitigation Center, 2014

DECREASING WATER AVAILABILITY

Water Supply Sustainability Index (2050) With Climate Change Impacts



Number of Counties for each Category in Parentheses

■ Extreme (412) ■ Moderate (1,192)
■ High (608) ■ Low (929)

INCREASING PEST PRESSURE



Animals are the largest users of row crops

About 85% of the world's soybean crop is processed into meal and vegetable oil, and virtually all of that meal is used in animal feed.

Over 62% of the U.S. corn crop was used for feed.

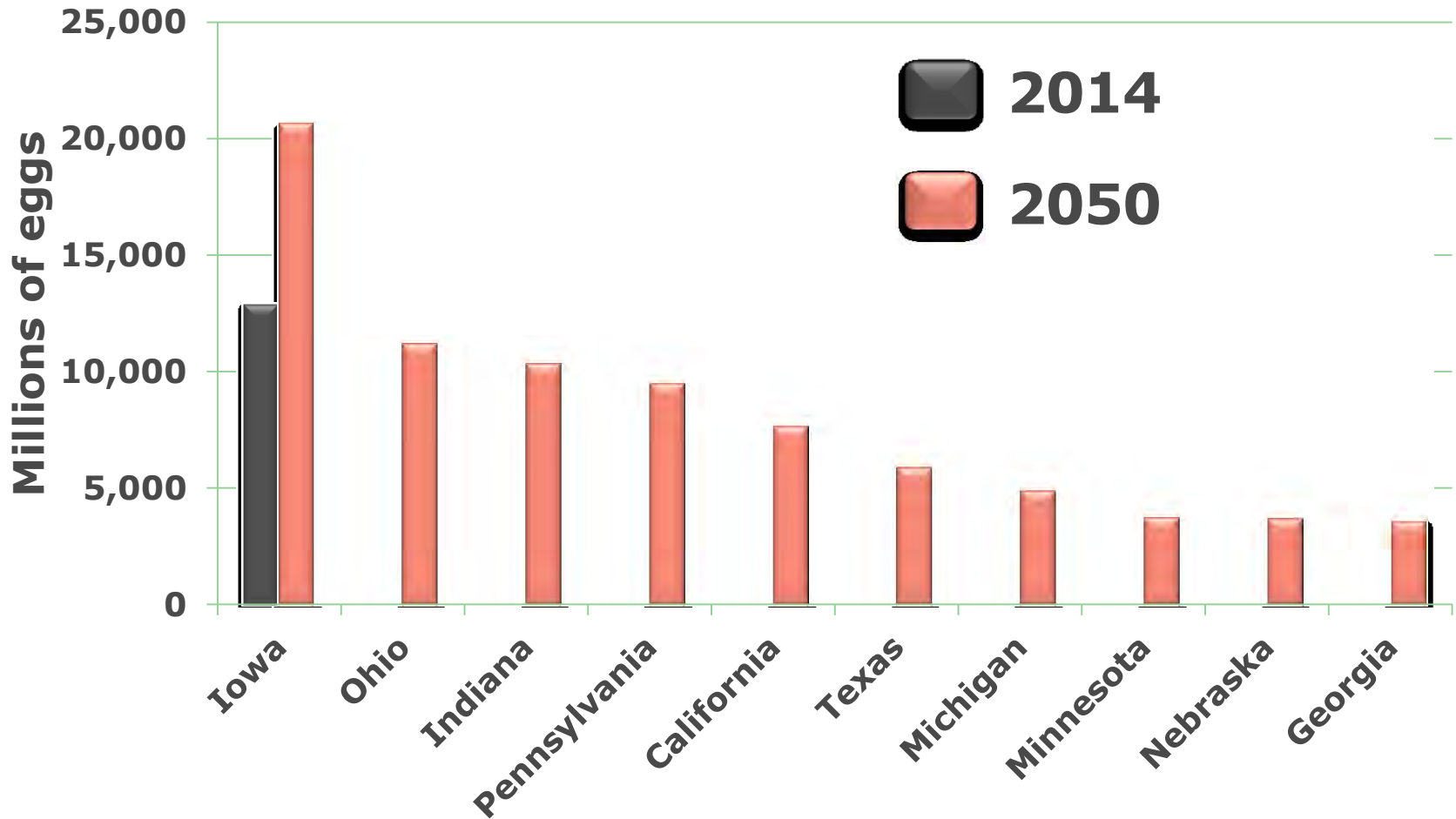
That includes over 3.7 Billion layers since the introduction of GMOs in 1996*



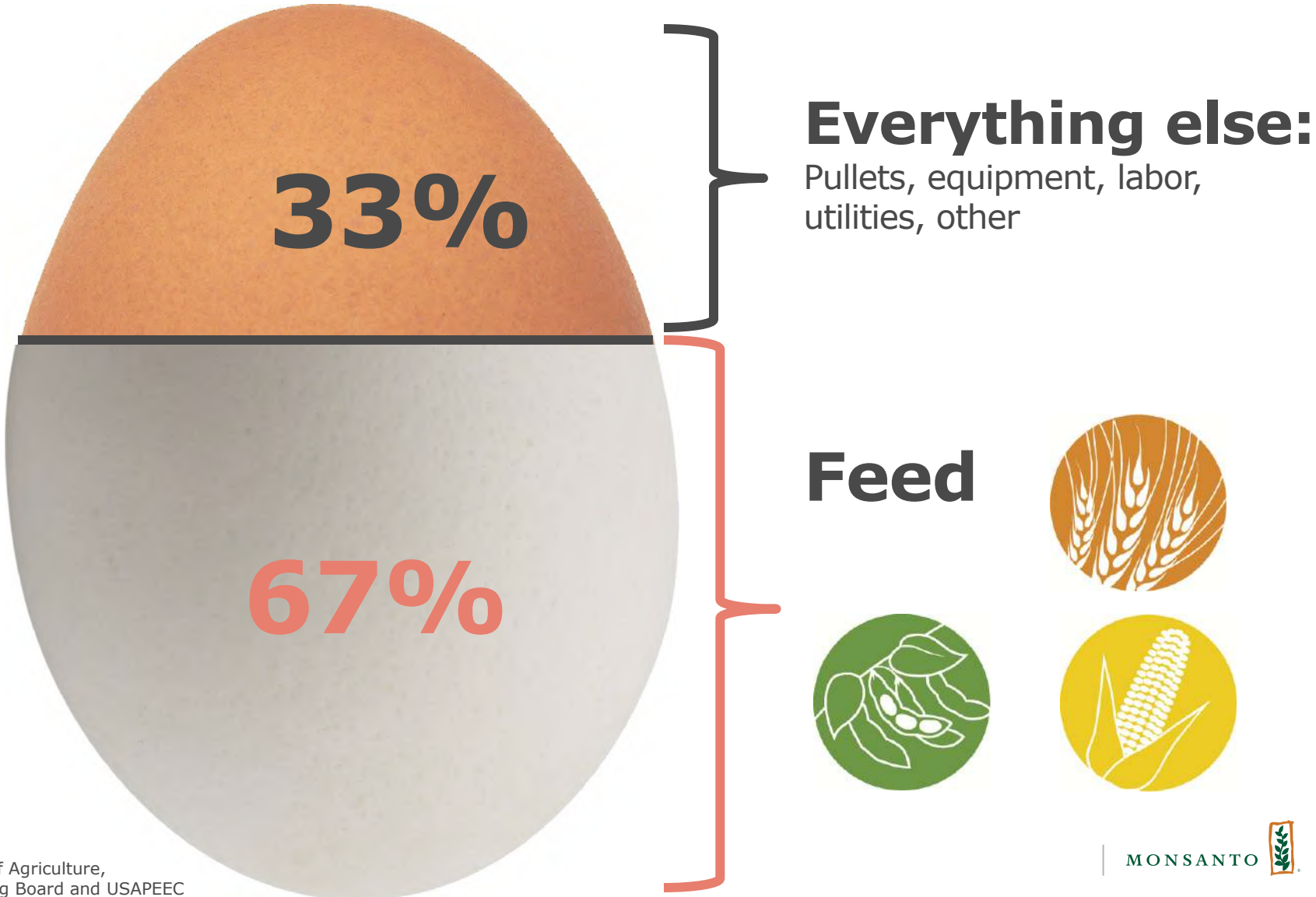
*Source: Van Eenennaam, A. L. and A. E. Young. 2014 . Journal of Animal Science.

Source: federation of animal science societies references - feeding transgenic crops to livestock - updated may 2014
references pertaining to transgenic DNA and protein and livestock products (meat, milk, eggs) - updated april 2014

The top ten egg producing states and future demand



What are the costs for Iowa eggs?



To increase egg production, we must also increase ag production

Feed needed for Iowa's egg Industry:

86M bushels

64M bushels



2014



2050

Six R&D platforms focused on supporting farmers, productivity demands, sustainability

CORE PLATFORM OPPORTUNITY

NEW PLATFORM OPPORTUNITY



CROP PROTECTION

New technologies that improve in-field protection



BIOTECHNOLOGY

Weed, pest and other agronomic traits focus on yield potential



BREEDING

Breeding engine and global library focus on higher yield



THE CLIMATE CORPORATION

Precision Ag adds in-the-field efficiency

MICROBIALS

Microbial solutions provide new Ag technology options for soil health, yield, pests



BIODIRECT™ TECHNOLOGY

Approaches to new pest, disease and honey bee health



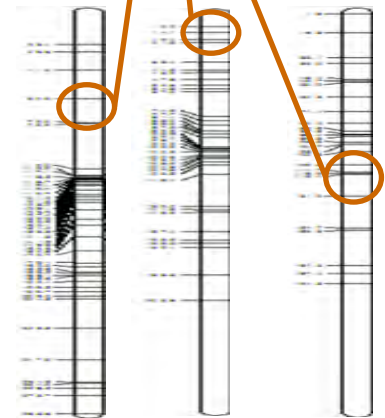
Molecular markers and seed chipping enable breeding crops seed by seed...gene by gene



MOLECULAR BREEDING Is Accelerating The Rate Of Gain Over Conventional Breeding

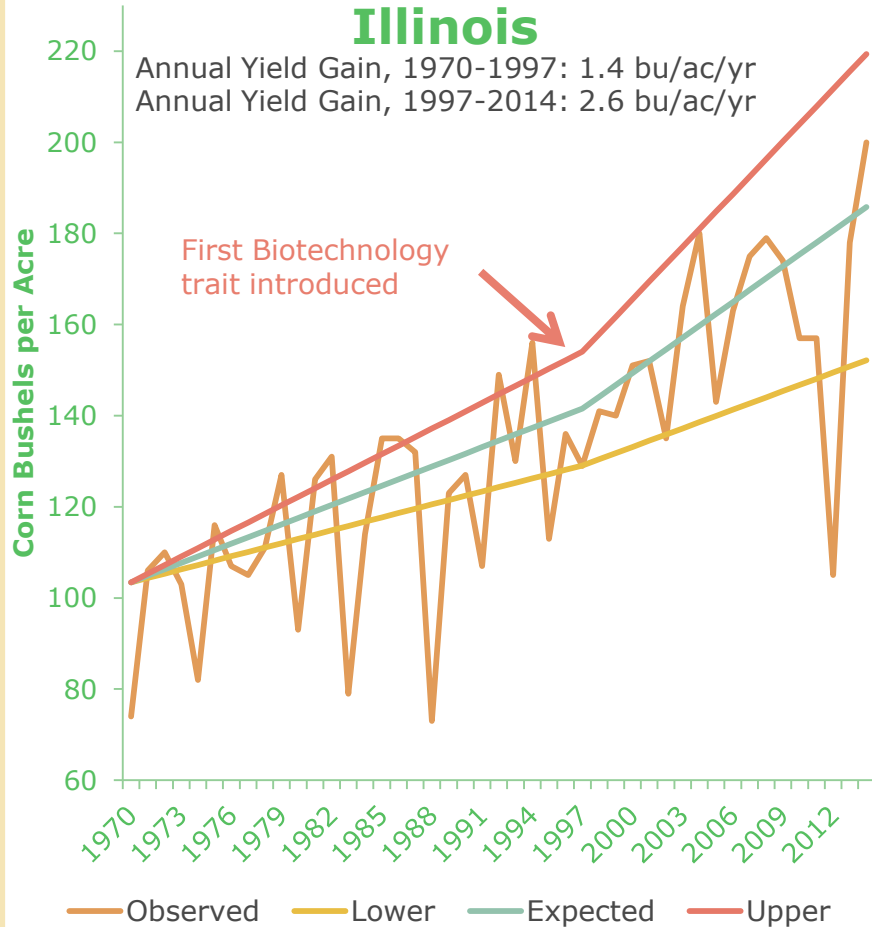


Identifying molecular markers can unlock key genes in combating diseases such as Goss's Wilt

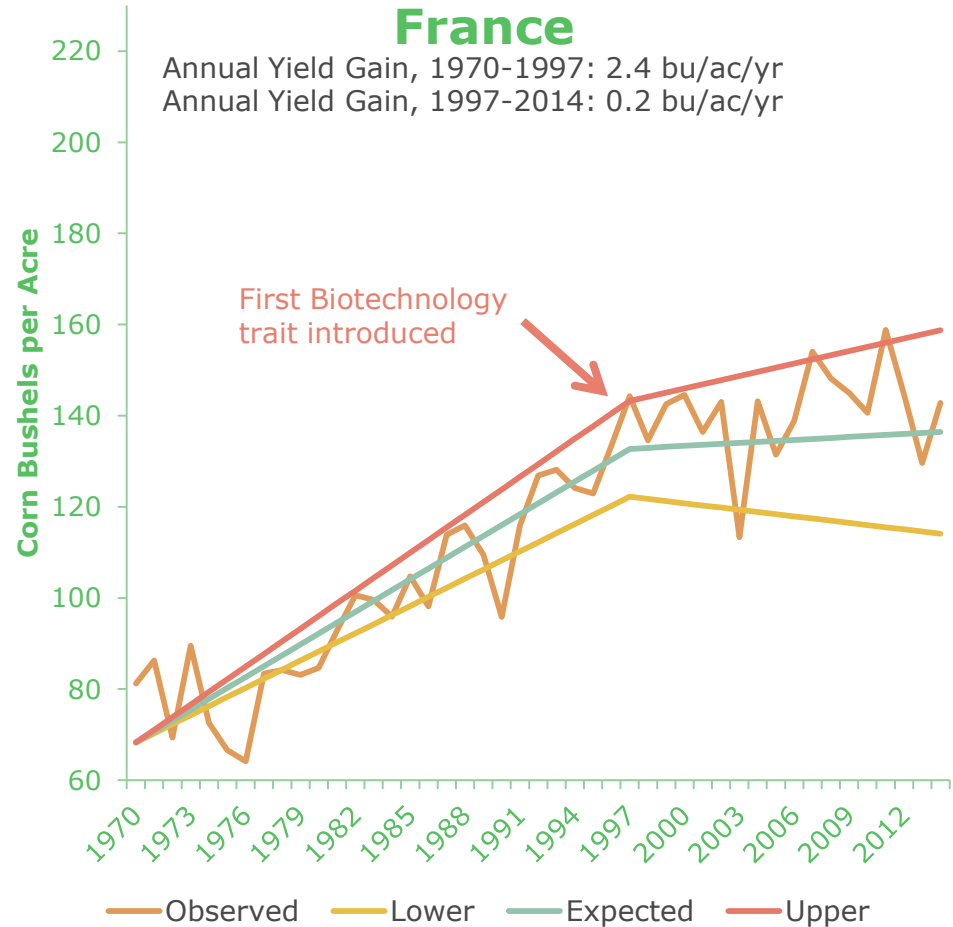


Yield gains in markets adopting biotech have significantly outperformed those in non-traited markets

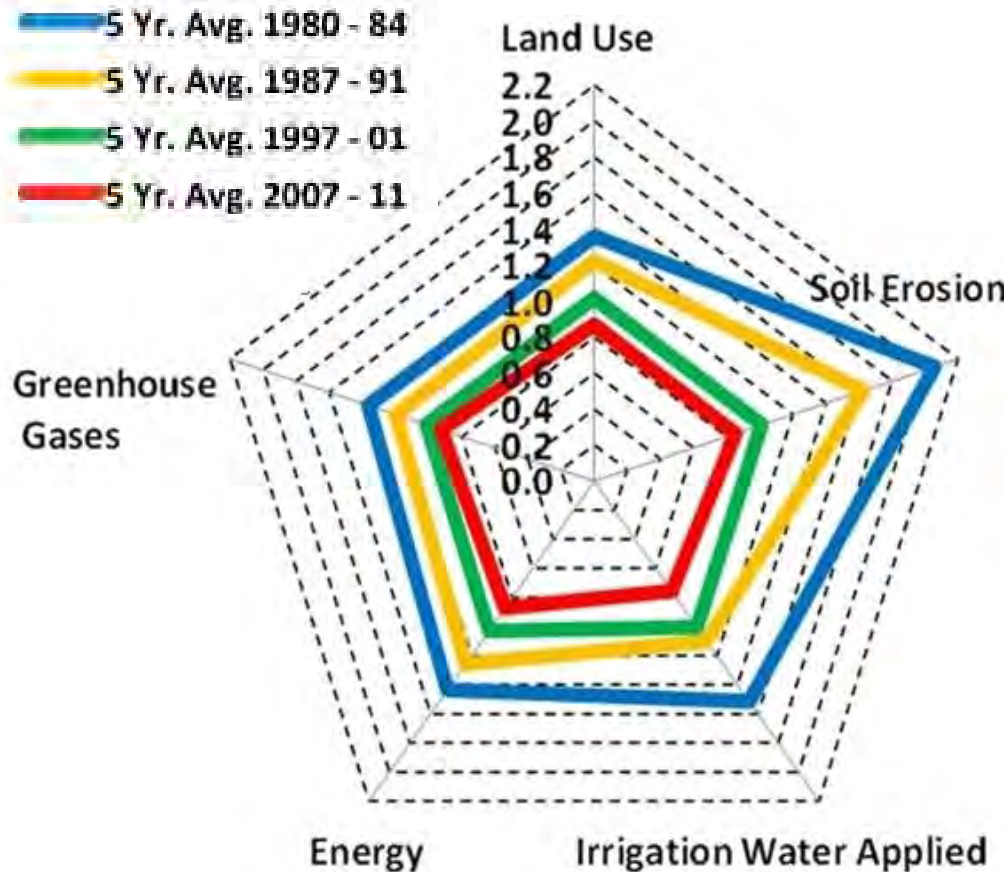
Illinois



France



Ag innovations help improve the footprint of farming



Ag innovations & GMO crops have helped farmers reduce the environmental impacts for every bushel of corn produced in the U.S.

Between 1980-2011, corn increased in total production (+101%) and bushels per acre (+64%).

Between 1980-2011, the resource efficiency of corn production (per bushel) saw decreases in:

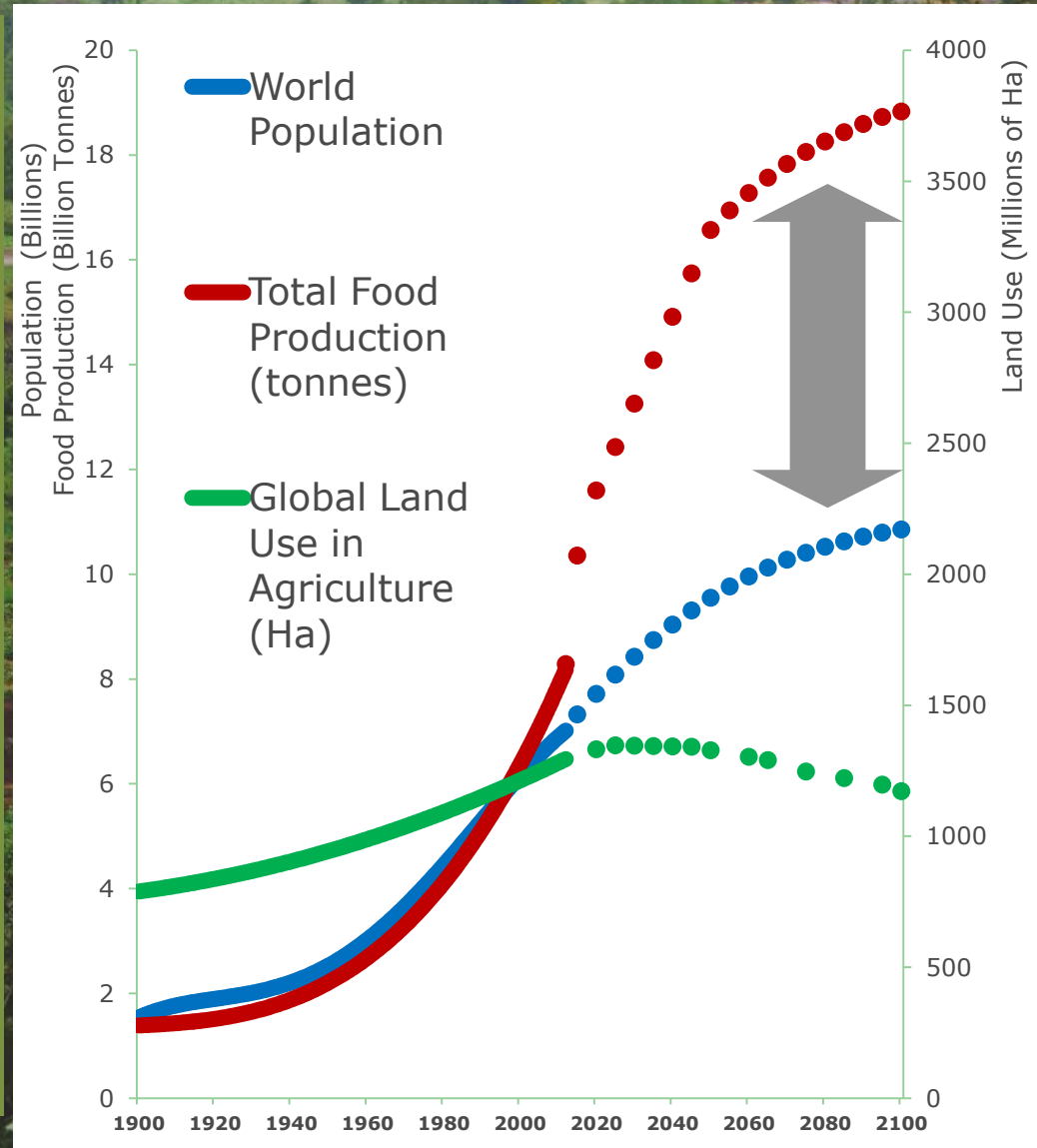
- land use (-30%)
- soil erosion (-67%)
- irrigation water applied (-53%)
- energy use (-4%)
- greenhouse gas emission (-36%).

Agriculture's role in creating a food secure world and preserving its natural resources

Sustainably Supporting Demand and Preserving Natural Landscapes

- ✓ Reduce the footprint of farming
- ✓ Increase crop yields
- ✓ Improve efficiency
- ✓ Reduce waste
- ✓ Improve diets

By 2060: 150M hectares can be restored to nature or land equivalent to almost 10 Iowas



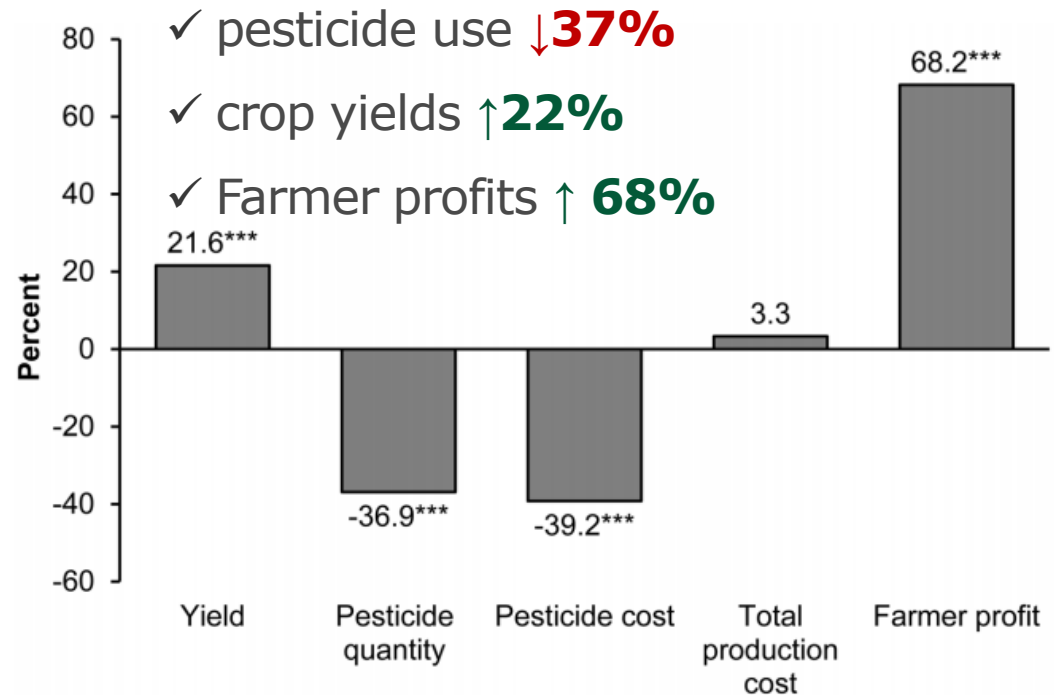
Source: National Geographic, "Feeding the World", 2014

Source: UN FAO, 2014, Monsanto internal calculations; Ausubel, et al., Peak Farmland and the Prospect for Land Sparing Population and Development Review Volume, 38: 221-242

Meta analysis confirms “agronomic and economic benefits of GM crops are large and significant”

147 studies; **20** years:

- Pesticides down, yields and profits up
- Gains higher in developing countries
- Industry funding – “not significant” factor in study conclusions



Klümper W, Qaim M (2014), PLoS ONE 9(11): e111629. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0111629



Economic Benefits

Economic gains of ~US\$116.9 billion were generated globally by biotech crops between 1996 to 2012.

58%

Due to reduced production costs

42%

Due to substantial yield gains of **377 million tons**

Biotech cotton in developing countries has already made a significant contribution to the income of >16.5 million smallholder resource-poor farmers in 2013.



Environmental Benefits

The reduction in pesticides from 1996 to 2012 was estimated at **497 million kilograms** or **18.5% reduction**

In 2012 alone, biotech helped prevent an estimated **26.7 billion kg of CO₂ emissions**, equivalent to removing **11.8 million cars** from the road for a year.

Without biotech, it would take an additional **123 million hectares** to produce the same amount of food produced in 2012.

Source:
ISAAA 2013 Report



Consumer Benefits

A photograph of two women in a kitchen. The woman on the left is Black with curly hair, wearing a blue polka-dot dress and a necklace, smiling broadly. The woman on the right is Asian with long hair, looking down at something on the counter. They appear to be preparing food together.

- Corn based products would be 6% higher
- Soy based products would be 10% higher
- The drop in price of food is due to increased productivity by farmers, which have arisen via the adoption of new technologies



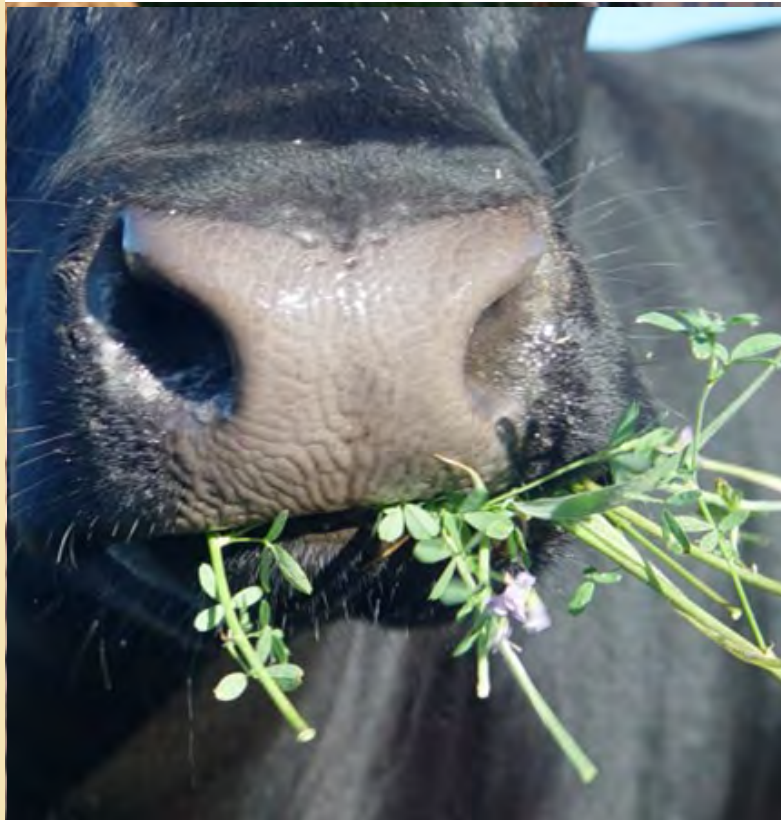
***If livestock eat
GMO grain, there
will be GMOs in
my meat.....***

MYTH



GE crops are digested in the same way as conventional crops

- In the U.S., livestock have been consuming feed made from GM crops for almost 20 years.
- GMOs have never been detected in the milk, meat or eggs derived from animals fed GM feed.
- Feeding livestock GE crops is equivalent to feeding conventional feed sources in terms of nutrient composition, digestibility and feeding value.



Stand by The Science

**World Health
Organization**

FEBRUARY 2002

**American Medical
Association
Council on Science
and Public Health**

JUNE 2012

**American Council
on Science
and Health**

FEBRUARY 2013

**Anne Glover,
European
Commission Chief
Scientific Advisor**

JULY 2012

**U.S. Food and
Drug
Administration**

MAY 2013

**American
Dietetic
Association**

FEBRUARY 2006

**European
Academies
Science Advisory
Council**

JUNE 2013

**The Royal
Society**

FEBRUARY 2002



Glyphosate continues to be one of the safest tools on the market



The experts consistently agree on glyphosate safety

- 1991: EPA placed glyphosate in the agency's lowest cancer classification (Category E) evidence of non-carcinogenicity for humans
- 1994: WHO states Animal studies show that glyphosate is not carcinogenic
- 2000: Williams et al peer-reviewed assessment: Multiple lifetime feeding studies have failed to demonstrate any tumorigenic potential for glyphosate
- 2002: The European Commission review: No evidence of carcinogenicity and is Not genotoxic
- 2004: WHO study of carcinogenicity in mice: no toxic effects observed at up to the highest dose tested
- 2012: Kier and Kirkland: glyphosate and typical GBFs are not genotoxic in these core assays
- 2012: Mink et al: no pattern of associations indicating relationship between total cancer to glyphosate
- 2013: Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA): no data suggesting glyphosate present any unacceptable risks to human health
- 2013: APMVA: evidence shows that glyphosate is not genotoxic, carcinogenic or neurotoxic
- 2014: Glyphosate Reevaluation Assessment Report Germany Rapporteur Member State for the European Annex I Renewal of Glyphosate: there was no evidence of carcinogenicity there were no effects on fertility, reproduction and development or of neurotoxicity that might be attributed to glyphosate.

For more information: <http://www.monsanto.com/products/pages/roundup-safety-background-materials.aspx>

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