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- 1) To present socio-economic indicators of the sugarcane, and ethanol sectors
- 2) To analyze socio-economic indicators for the sugarcane, ethanol, oil drilling and oil derivatives sectors with respect to job and income creation, as well as regional development
- 3) Impact on the Brazilian economy of the simulation:  
Replacement of 15% of the gasoline consumed in Brazil for ethanol

# Sector Main Agents

## Sugar Cane Fields

70,000 sugarcane growers



50% harvest manually and 50% mechanically

542,588 employees



## Industrial Sugar and Ethanol Production



440 Sugar Mills/Ethanol Distilleries

600,000 employees

Sugarcane processing plants in Brazil can produce sugar and/or ethanol – 2009:

- 60% were sugar and ethanol producing units
- 36% were ethanol distilleries
- 4% produce sugar only

### **Sugar cane field**

✓The sector comprises 70k independent producers , accounting for 25% of national sugarcane production

✓75% of sugarcane comes from self supply of vertically integrated mills

(mills have sugarcane fields plus processing plants)

**From field to industry, economy is based on the labor of a million Brazilians**

# Sector Main Agents

## Gas Stations

Brazil is the only country that produces two types of ethanol:

- *anhydrous ethanol*, which is blended with gasoline
- *hydrated ethanol*, used in ethanol-powered cars
- Since 2003 substituted by flex-fuel cars which can run both on ethanol or gasoline at any blend level



## Fuel Distributors

- 160 Fuel Distributors**
- The gasoline ethanol mixture can only be made by distributors
  - Laws do not allow mills to sell straight to gas stations



## Ethanol Exportation (anhydrous)

• **32,030** sell both  
hydrous ethanol and  
blended gasoline

Prices: free market

Socio-economic indicators of the sugarcane, sugar and ethanol sectors

- Number of Employees
- Schooling
- Age
- Employment formalization
- Income

## **PNAD - National Household Sample Survey**

- Conducted by the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE) - (Federal Government )
- Annual Survey of socioeconomic information on *formal and informal* workers
- Obtained through questionnaires applied to a sample number of households
- Data available for sector of activity - state level

## **RAIS - Report of Social Information**

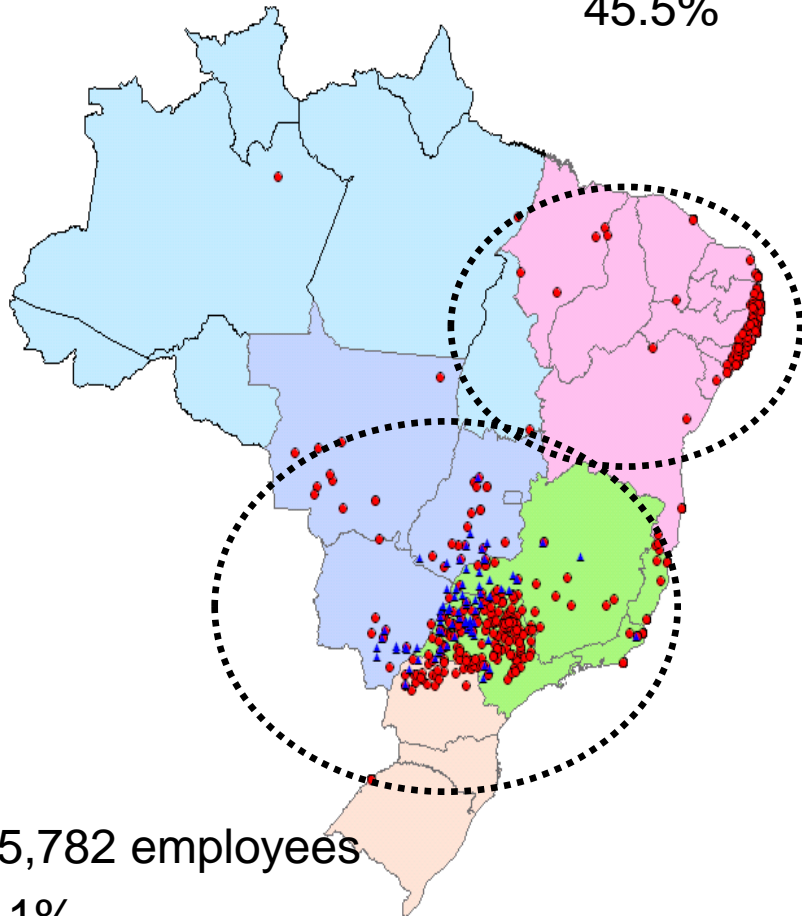
- Conducted by the Brazilian Ministry of Labor
- Annual census on the *formal* labor market based on information provided by companies
- Data available for sector of activity – municipality level



# Production and Job Position in 2009

**Jobs in Sugarcane  
(2009): 542,588**

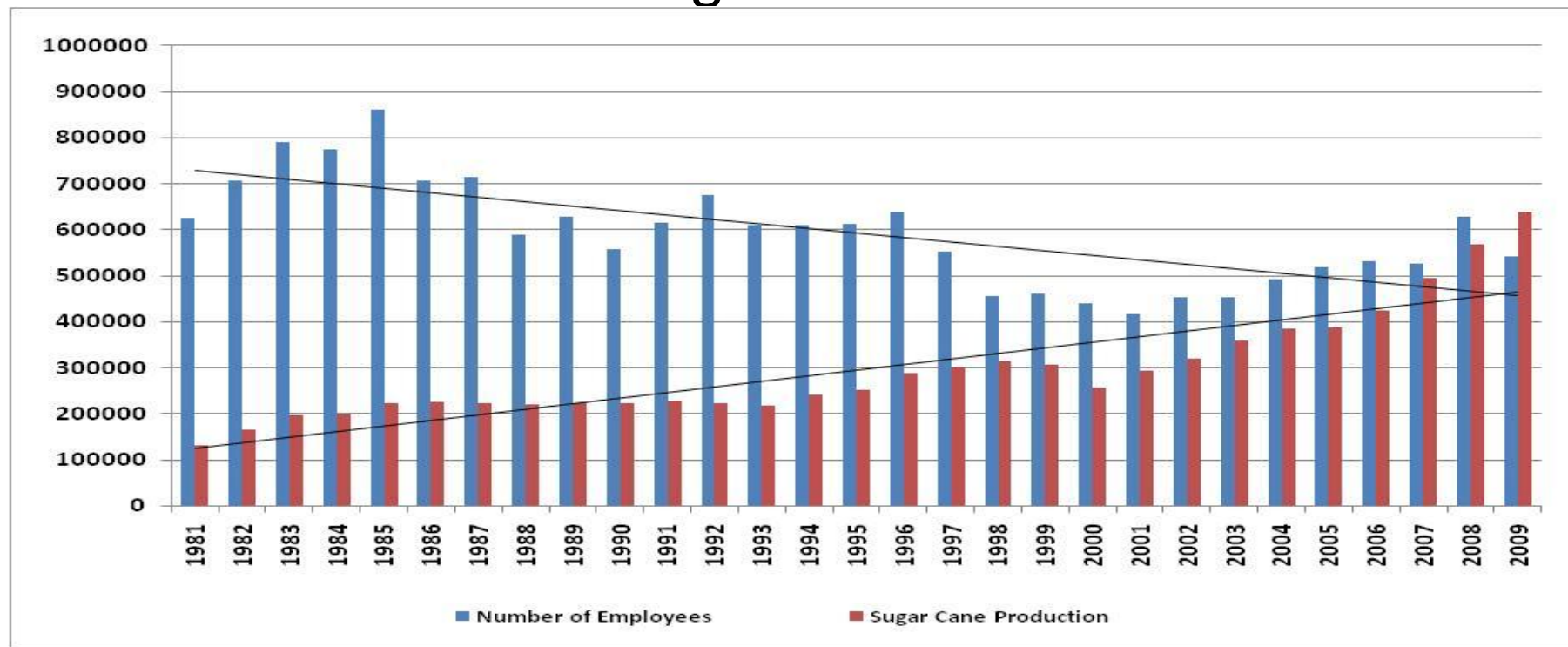
246,806 employees  
45.5%



295,782 employees  
54.1%

- ✓ Both regions are equally important for job generation
- ✓ Center South region:
  - ✓ Produces about 90% of main products
  - ✓ Accounts for 56.5% of job positions
- ✓ Explained by the highly efficient production and also by more intensive usage of mechanization of agriculture activities

# Evolution of the Number of Employees and of the Sugar Cane Production



- Production has risen by 328%
- Number of Employees: 600 thousand workers almost the same number as the beginning
  - Increase in labor productivity and in harvest mechanization



# THE PROBLEM

- Deadline to stop the sugarcane burning in the state of Sao Paulo
  - green cane: mechanization more efficient
- Prohibition of sugarcane burning: advance in environmental terms
  - sharp decrease in jobs (70,000 - poorly educated workers)
  - changes in the worker's profile
- Besides environmental laws that forbid burning other factors have encouraged harvest mechanization:
  - ✓ Mills invested in electric power co-generation from sugarcane bagasse, in order to trade electric power in the market

**Institutional and economic aspects  
affecting the end of sugarcane burning**



# THE BANNING OF SUGARCANE BURNING

## ➤ Rules and Norms

**Norms: federal, state and municipal**

**-SP state**

- State Law # 11.241, 2002 – Deadlines for the end of Sugarcane Burning
  - Mechanized areas (flat): 2021
  - Non mechanized areas: 2031

## **Environmental Protocol**

-June, 2007: SP state and UNICA signed a cooperation Protocol

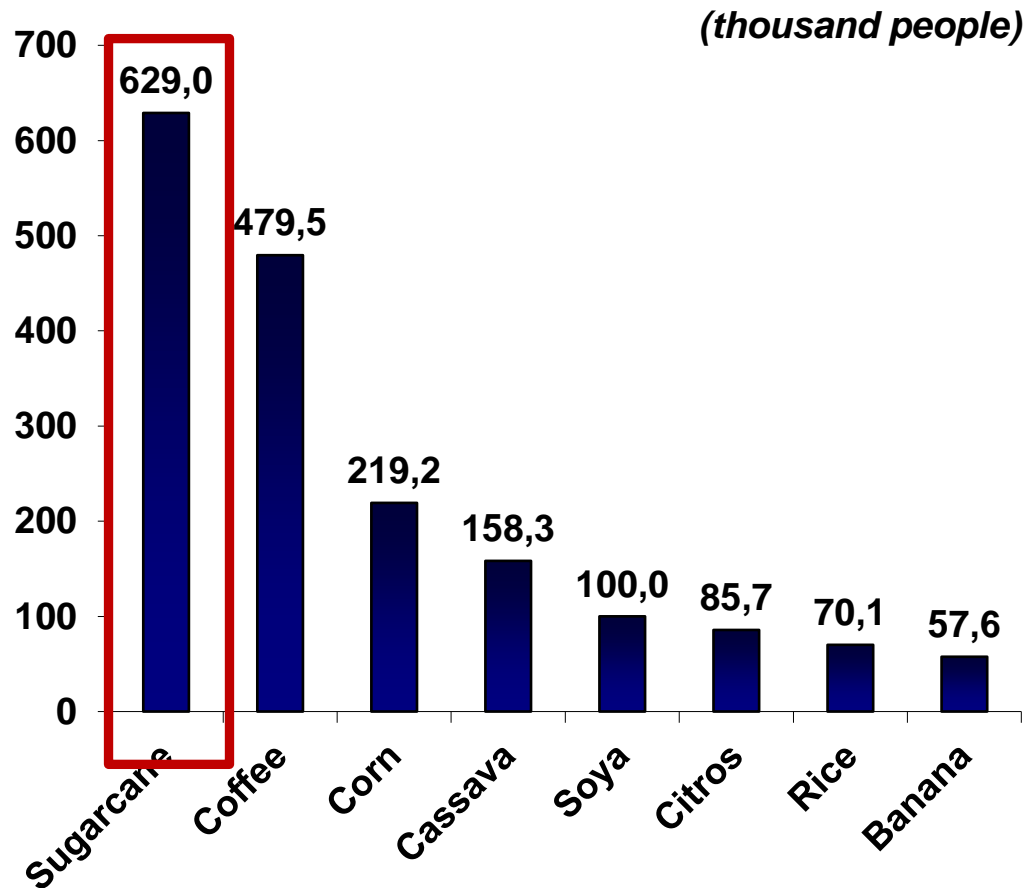
- Although non mandatory, producers' adhesion was close to 100%
- New deadlines for sugarcane burn halt are:

Flat areas: 2014

Non flat areas: 2017

# Agricultural workers in Brazil, 2008

**2,773,885 agricultural workers in Brazil**

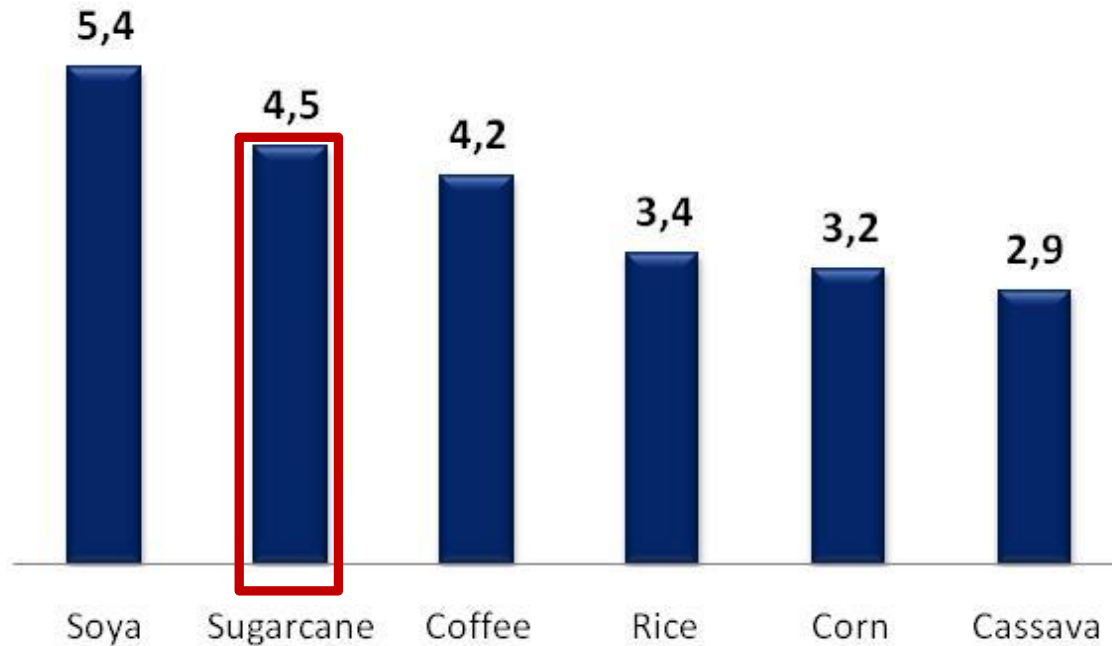


- 23% in sugarcane
- 17% in coffee
- 8% in corn

- ✓ Sugarcane:
  - ✓ very impressive number
  - ✓ inclusion of many low schooling people

# Average Schooling of Crop Workers Brazil, 2009

**Agriculture  
4.0**



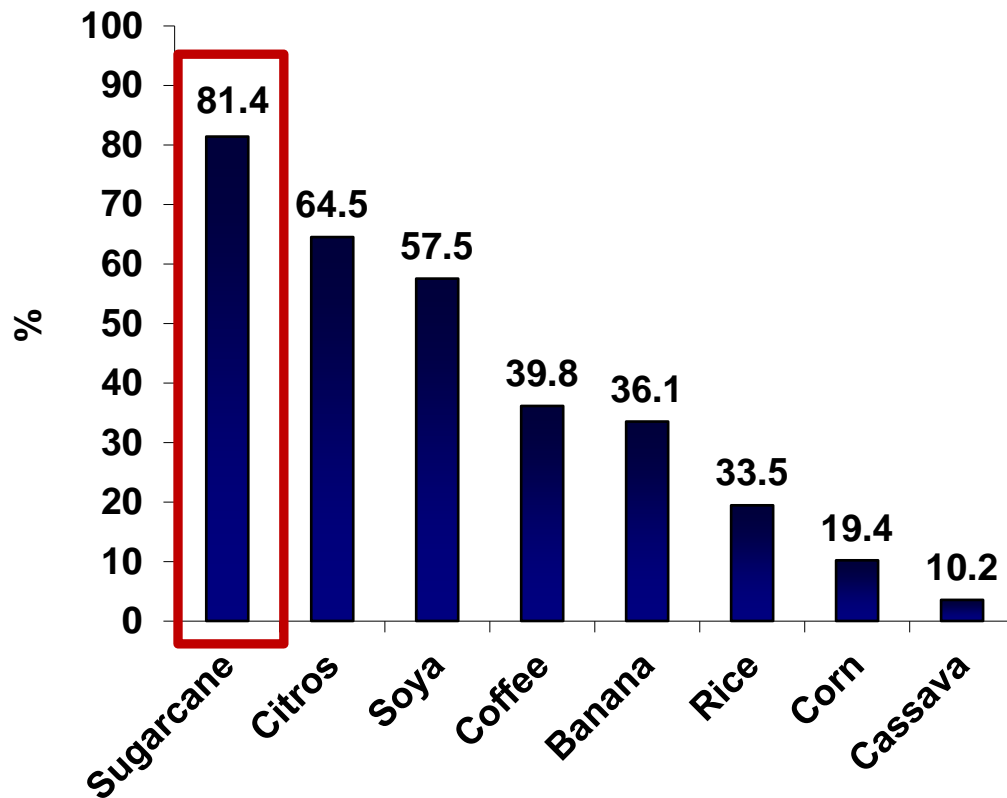
✓ The average schooling of agriculture workers is 4 years of study

✓ Sugarcane:

✓ The workers of sugarcane sector have about 4.5 years of study

✓ About 24% are illiterate

**Agriculture**  
**38.8%**



The proportion of workers who are formally employed (hired under a formal labor contract):

➤ in Agriculture: less than 40%

➤ In Sugarcane: about 81.4%

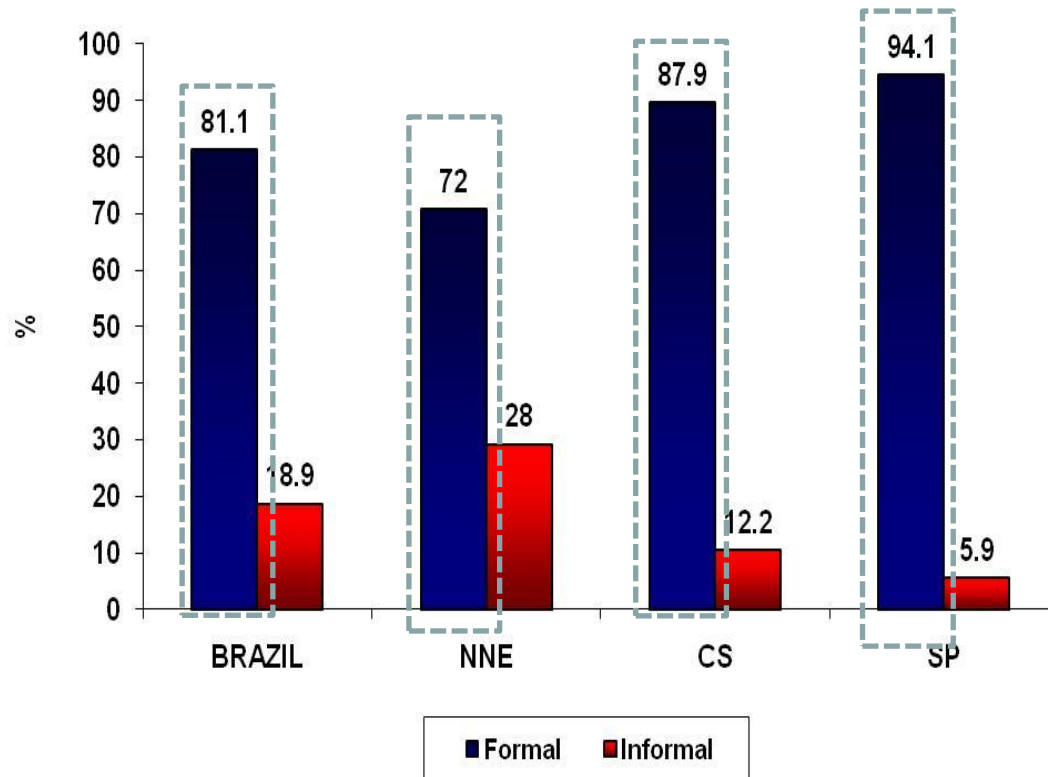
➤ In Sugarcane in São Paulo: 95%

➤ These employees have all labor rights established in the legislation:

- Unemployment insurance;
- Paid annual vacations
- Extra month pay per year (13<sup>º</sup>)

# Sugarcane: contrasting number of formal and informal workers.

Brazil, NNE, CS and São Paulo, 2009



- ✓ In 2009 Brazilian sugarcane sector had about 81.1% of formal workers
- ✓ In the North-Northeast region the proportion of formal workers is lower, though higher than agriculture as a whole
- ✓ The state of SP shows the highest number of formally hired workers

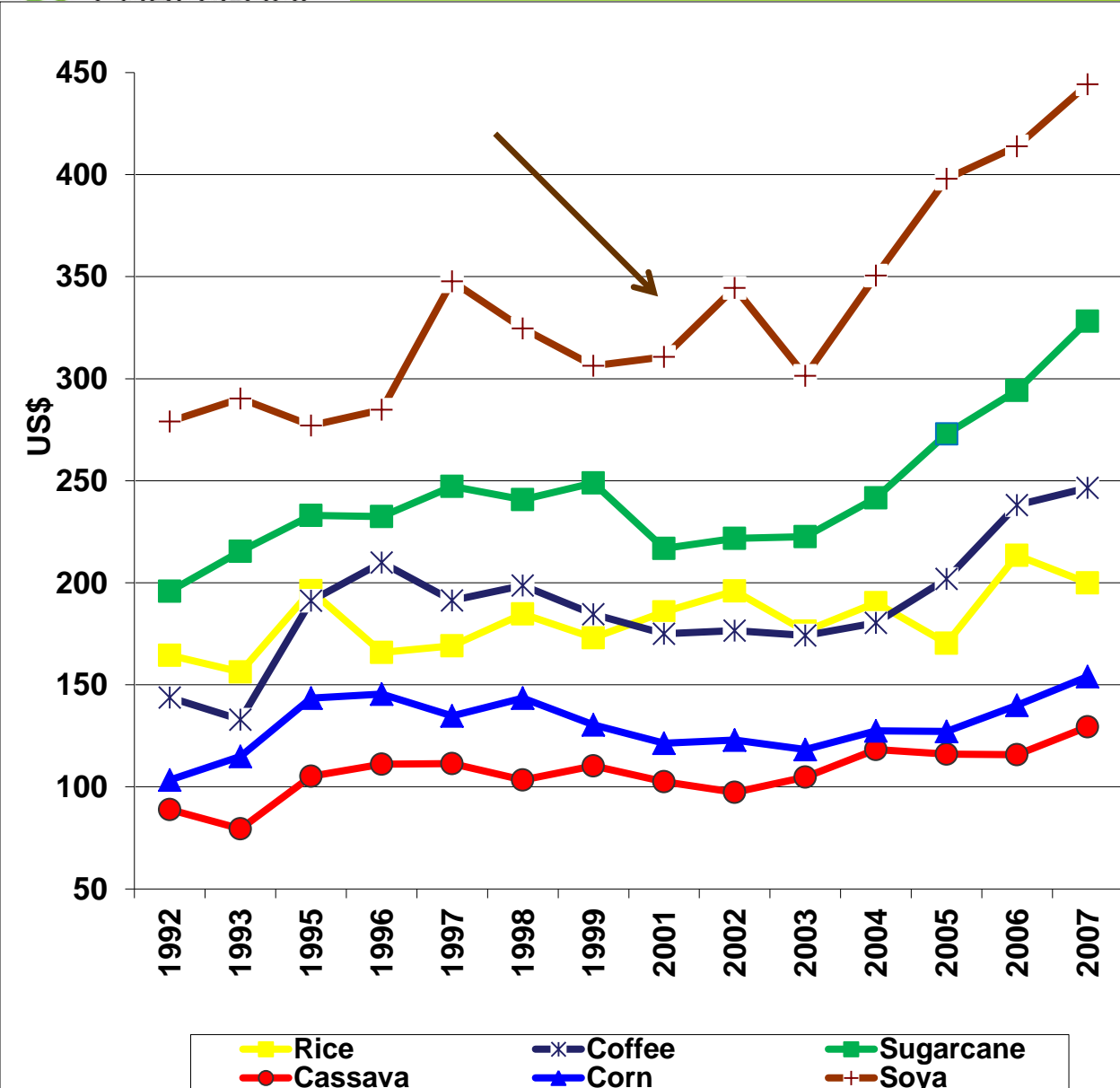


# Sugarcane: Number of Employees by Age Bracket

Age Bracket	1981		2009	
	Number of Employees	Total %	Number of Employees	Total %
10-15	95,576	15.3	1,642	0.3
15-20	128,578	20.6	44,492	8.2
20-30	134,033	21.4	187,374	34,5
30-40	106,516	17.0	141,859	26,1
40-50	84,041	13.4	107,130	19,8
40-60	51,886	8.3	46,806	8.6
> 60	24,396	3.9	13,285	2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>625,016</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>542,588</b>	<b>100.0</b>

- ✓ The sugarcane sector successfully reduced the proportion of child labor
  - ✓ from 15.3% in 1981 to less than 0.3% in 2009
- ✓ Increased the proportion of adult workers
- ✓ These are the results of multiple efforts:
  - ✓ Sugarcane Producers' concern
  - ✓ Better law observance
  - ✓ Requirements of the market itself
  - ✓ Government social programs
    - Bolsa Familia, Bolsa Escola

# Wages: sugarcane and other crops



✓ The wages of soya sector are the highest ones

✓ Estimated earning equation showed :

✓ After the control of other variables that influence wages (schooling, age, region, color, gender):

✓ The average monthly wage in other crops in comparison with sugarcane are lower in:

- Soya: 0.2%
- Coffee: 9.9%
- Cassava: 23.2%
- Corn: 30.1%
- Rice: 30.1%

# Key Points

- ✓ Internationalization of ethanol and better exposure to the external market induced companies to adopt more strict norms
  - ✓ Better observance to labor and environmental legislation
- ✓ Labor laws applied: reduction in underaged workers and betterments in labor conditions
- ✓ Greater formalization in sugarcane sector
  - ✓ Better than the agriculture national average
  - ✓ SP outstands the other states
- ✓ Ban of field fires and consequent mechanization of harvesting procedure: reduction in work force
  - ✓ Reduction in the number of employees, despite growth in production

## Key Points

- ✓ Considering the low schooling level of workers in the sector, the need to rely on ***private strategies*** and ***public policies*** stands out in a scenario of harvest mechanization
- ✓ Public policies: for ensuring the literacy and improving the schooling of workers in sugarcane fields
- ✓ Private Strategies
  - ✓ UNICA has proposed a yearly training program for 7,000 workers, to provide necessary skills for many activities
  - ✓ To be eligible for this training, a minimum schooling is required
    - ✓ Ineligible workers shall count on public policies



# SOCIAL EXTERNALITIES OF ETHANOL PRODUCTION IN BRAZIL

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- The positive environmental externalities caused by the use and production of ethanol are encouraging its use worldwide
- However, benefits of ethanol over gasoline go beyond environmental issues: it is important to analyze the job creation and the impact in the rural development



- To analyze socio-economic indicators for the sugarcane, ethanol, oil drilling and oil derivatives sectors with respect to job and income creation, as well as regional development
- To measure the impact of increased demand for hydrous ethanol, substituting demand for Type C gasoline, on the level of jobs and total income in the Brazilian economy

## DATABASES:

- RAIS - Brazilian Ministry of Labor's Annual Report of Social Information
- Input-Output Matrix (IBGE)

## METHODOLOGY:

- Descriptive statistics: data collection (RAIS) regards number of workers, educational level, age and wages;
- Location of production: identifying the main producing regions and corresponding municipal districts in order to compare the capacity for creating jobs and income (RAIS);
- From the multipliers and the coefficients of employment and wages of industries (IBGE), we calculated the direct, indirect and induced (income effect) effects resulting from simulating an increase of 15% in the ethanol consumption as replacement for gasoline C on levels of employment and remuneration (wages and social contributions) in the economy.

# SUMMARY INDICATORS

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Sector	FU	Municipalities	Employment	Establishment	Avarage Age	Average Wage (R\$)
Sugarcane*	22	1,026	242.606 (425.027)	29.187	34,4	958.26
Ethanol	25	248	213.317	608	33,4	1,188.17
<b>TOTAL Cane &amp; Ethanol</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>455.923</b>	<b>29.795</b>	<b>34,1</b>	<b>1,035.09</b>
Oil drilling	21	125	75,519	1.085	39,3	8,293.48
Oil derivatives	24	124	22,308	359	38,9	6,035.20
<b>TOTAL Oil drilling and derivatives</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>97,827</b>	<b>1.444</b>	<b>39,2</b>	<b>7,778.51</b>

\*The value presented is only sugarcane used in ethanol production, the total value is in parenthesis.

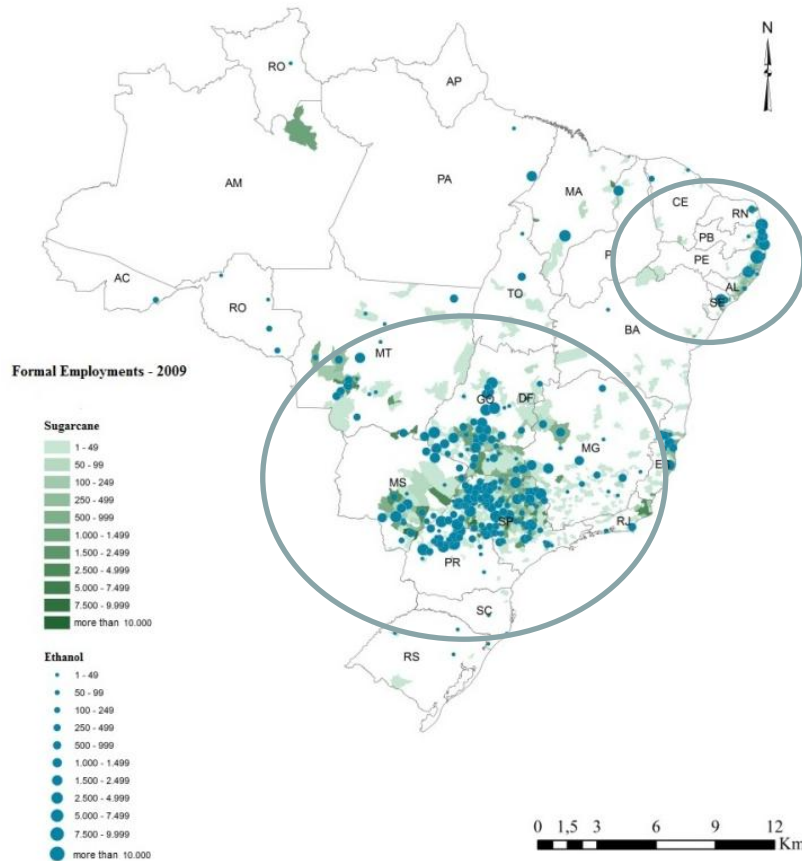
# EDUCATIONAL LEVEL

Sector	Illiterate	Basic education	High School	Higher Education	Total
Sugarcane	26,610	329,030	62,081	7,306	425,027
Ethanol	7,857	146,195	49,974	9,291	213,317
<b>TOTAL Cane &amp; Ethanol</b>	<b>34,467</b>	<b>475,225</b>	<b>112,055</b>	<b>16,597</b>	<b>638,344</b>
Oil drilling	18	3,831	39,697	31,973	75,519
Oil derivatives	18	2,791	12,070	7,429	22,308
<b>TOTAL Oil drilling and derivatives</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>6,622</b>	<b>51,767</b>	<b>39,402</b>	<b>97,827</b>

# SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYMENT

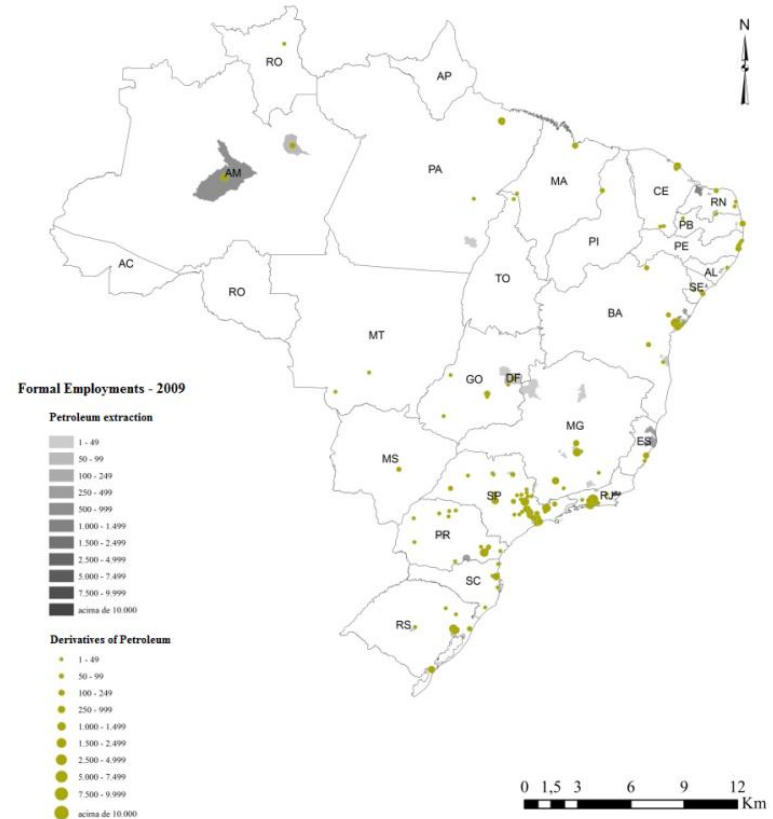
- Located in 1042 cities
- Number of jobs: **6 times** greater than the number of workers employed in petroleum production

## Sugarcane and ethanol



- Petroleum extraction and oil by-products**
- Located in 176 cities

## Oil drilling and derivatives



# IMPACT ANALYSIS

## Impact on jobs of increasing demand for hydrous ethanol (in R\$ millions)

Number of jobs created in 2004 by a 15% increase in hydrous ethanol demand, with an equivalent reduction in Type C gasoline consumption, considering direct, indirect and income effects.

Increases in hydrous ethanol consumption	15%			
Impact/ Shock	North-Northeast	South-Central	São Paulo	Brazil
Rest of Brazil	67,211	27,957	5,647	100,815
São Paulo	632	2,718	13,536	16,886
Brazil	67,843	30,674	19,184	117,701

Source: Research results.

## Impact on wages of increasing demand for hydrous ethanol

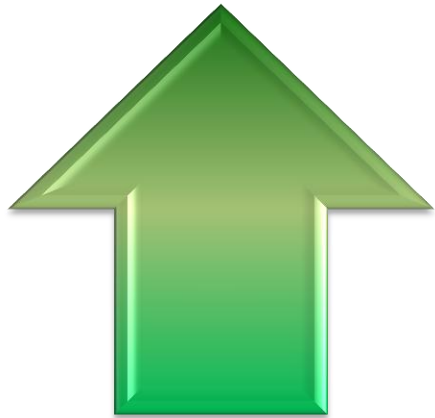
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Rest of Brazil	97.08	77.93	-31.96	143.05
São Paulo	1.2	14.07	77.6	92.87
Brazil	98.27	92.01	45.63	235.91

Source: Research results.



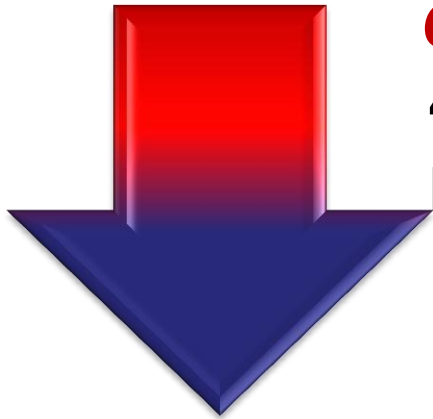
# IMPACT ANALYSIS



***Changing gasoline to ethanol, 15%***

**117,701 jobs**

**R\$236 millions on earnings**



***Changing ethanol to gasoline, 0.8%***

**45,799.5 jobs and**

**R\$120.2 millions on earnings**

# Key Points

- ❖ High employment generation in the two production linkages of ethanol.
  - Sugarcane to ethanol production and ethanol sector employs 456 thousands workers, more than four times the jobs on oil drilling and derivatives sector
- ❖ High capillarity and internalization of jobs: 1,095 municipalities by sugarcane and ethanol sector versus 208 municipalities in oil drilling and derivatives sector.
- ❖ Multiplier effect on economy: replacing gasoline with ethanol 15%, generating about **120 thousands additional jobs** and almost **R\$ 240 million in total income.**
- ❖ These results show that public policies to boost consumption of ethanol have a significant social and economic benefit when considering the location and number of jobs generated.

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