Ethanol in Brazil:

a successful experience to be shared

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Economic Agents of Sugar Cane Industry

Sugar Cane Agriculture Phase

50 thousand sugar cane growers

Sugar and Alcohol Industrial Phase

346 Industrial Plants







Regulatory Domain: Ministry of Agriculture

Regulatory Domain: Ministry of Mines and Energy / ANP (National Petroleum Agency)

Gas Stations

- 32,030 Gas Stations sell alcohol.
 (92% of total gas stations in Brazil)
- Mercado de Preços Livres

Exporters

• 2.38 Billion litters exported in 2004





Fuel Distributors

- 160 Operating Distributors
- Only distributers may blend ethanol with motor gasoline



ETHANOL FUEL HISTORY IN BRAZIL



Use of ethanol: 80 years of experience

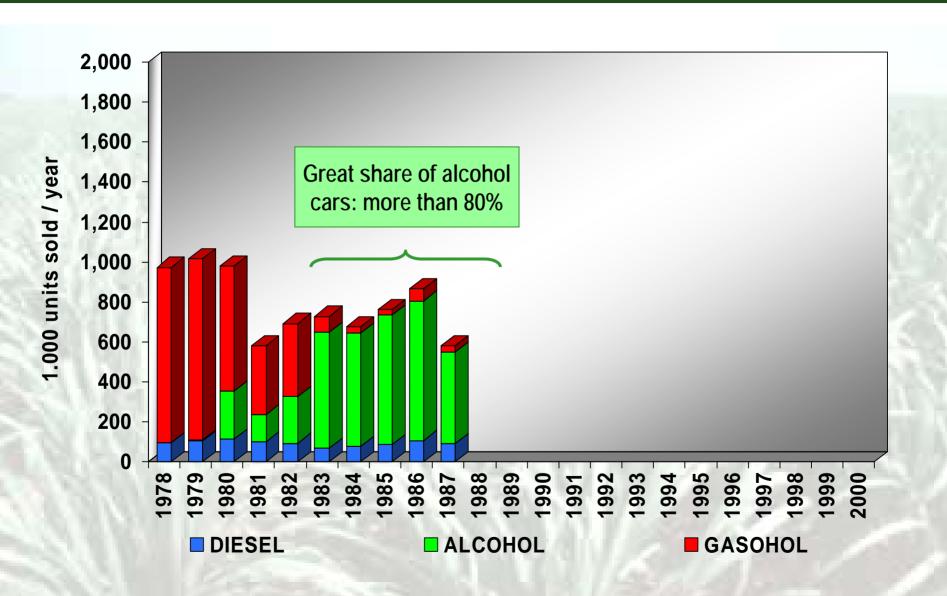


First tests using ethanol blended to gasoline

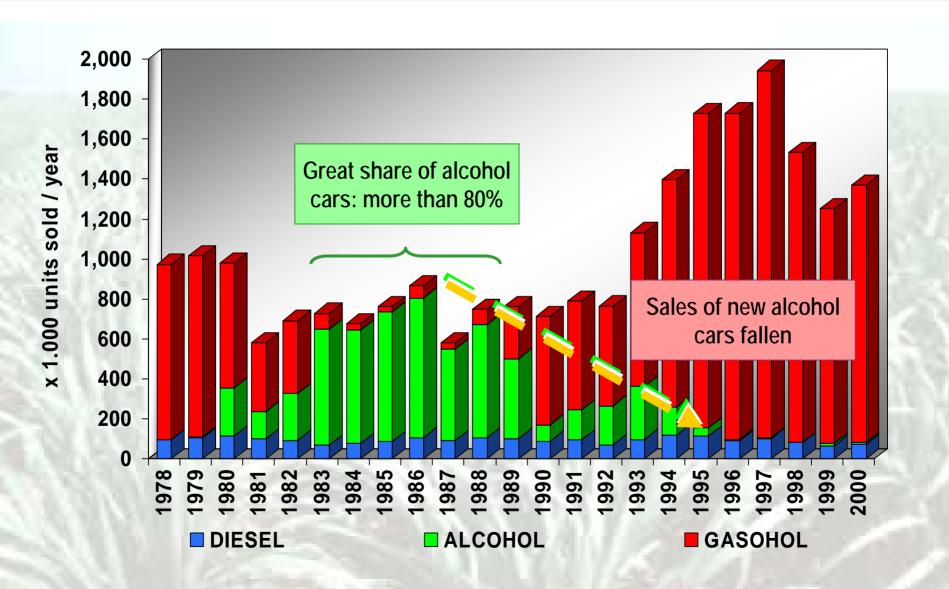
1979: vehicle's manufacturers started selling 100% hydrous alcohol cars



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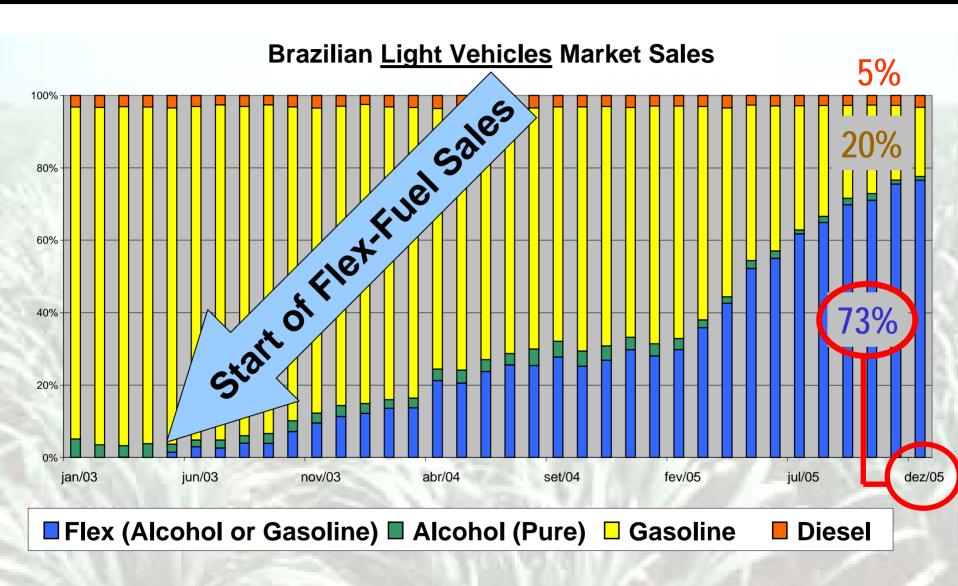


Brazilian Experience: nowadays...



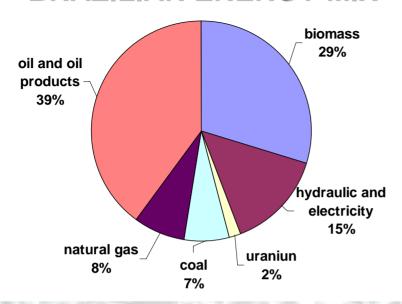
- 1) Since 2003, 31 new models of Flex-Fuel Vehicles, by seven automakers: it can use any mixture of gasoline and alcohol, from 0 to 100%, without any action of car driver.
- 2) In December 2005, Flex Fuel vehicles sales represented 73% of total light vehicles sold (2003-2005: 1,245,201 units).

Nowadays: Brazilian Automotive Market by Fuel Kind

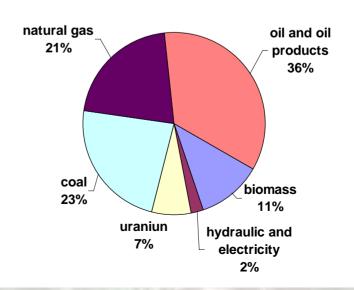


Source: Anfavea - 2006

BRAZILIAN ENERGY MIX

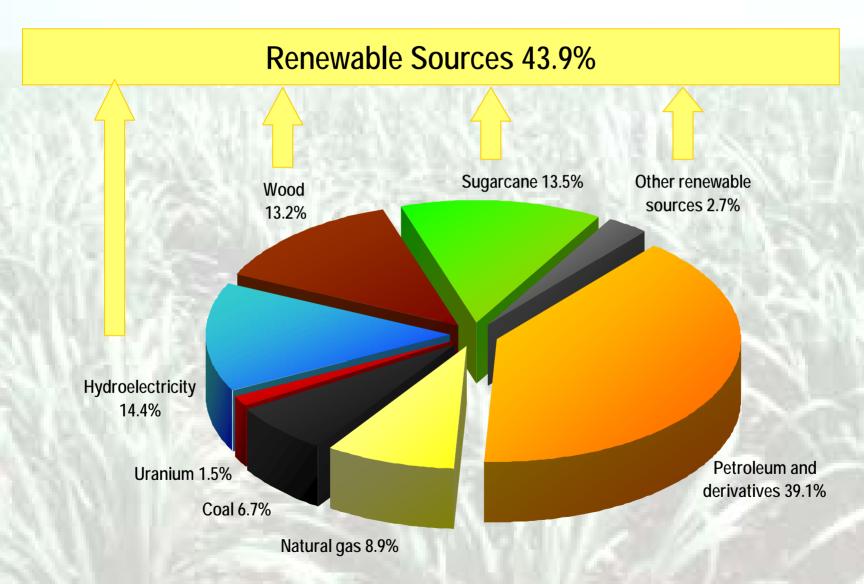


WORLD ENERGY MIX



Fonte: MME/BEN (2005)

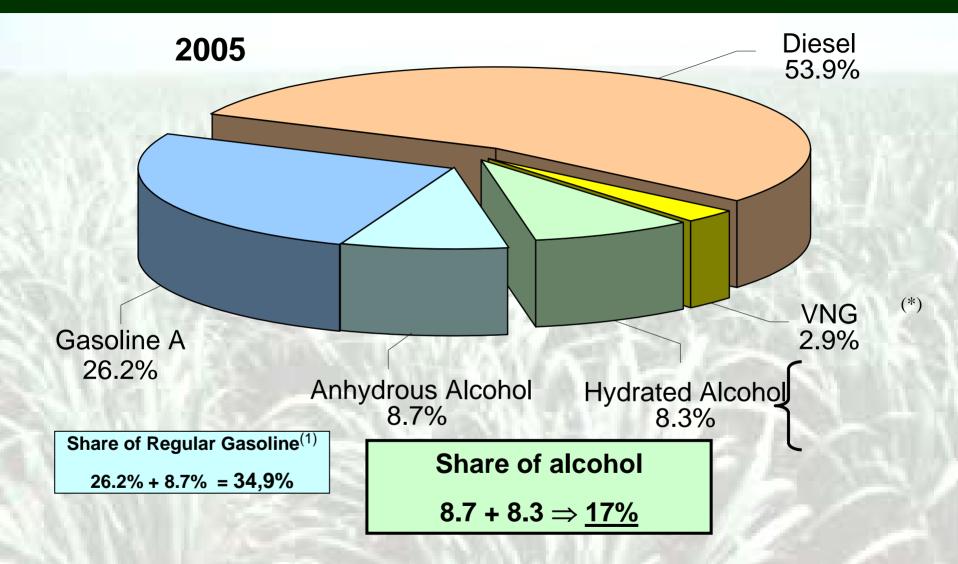
Brazilian energetic matrix - 2005



100% = 213.4 millions [toe]

Source: Brazilian Energy Balance (2005)

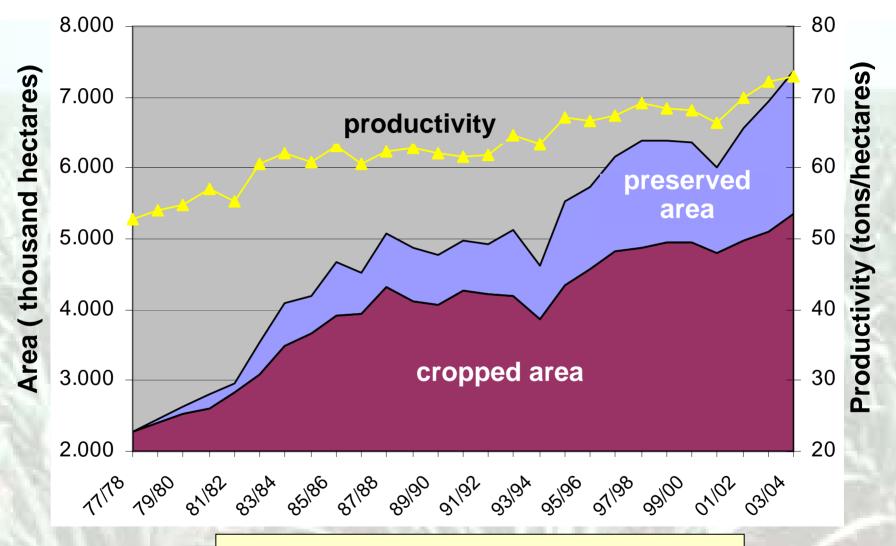
Current Matrix of Vehicle Fuels



(1) The gasoline available in Brazilian Gas Stations is added with 25% of alcohol.

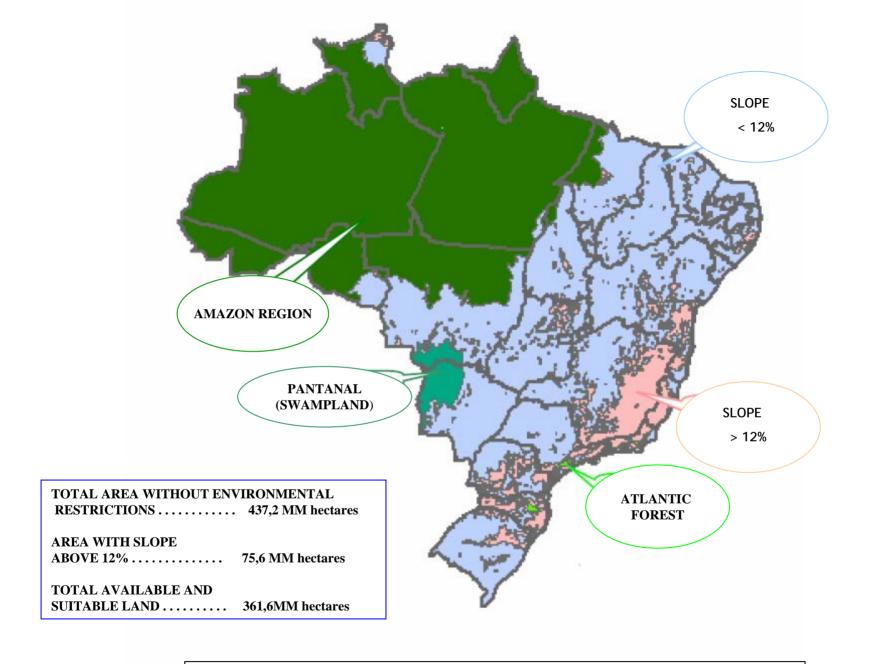
Source: ANP; ABEGAS – 2006

Sugarcane: Cropped and Preserved Areas due to Technological Improvements



1 ton of sugarcane = 80 liters of alcohol 1 hectare of sugarcane = 6 m³ of alcohol

Source: CIMA



Land Classification in Brazil

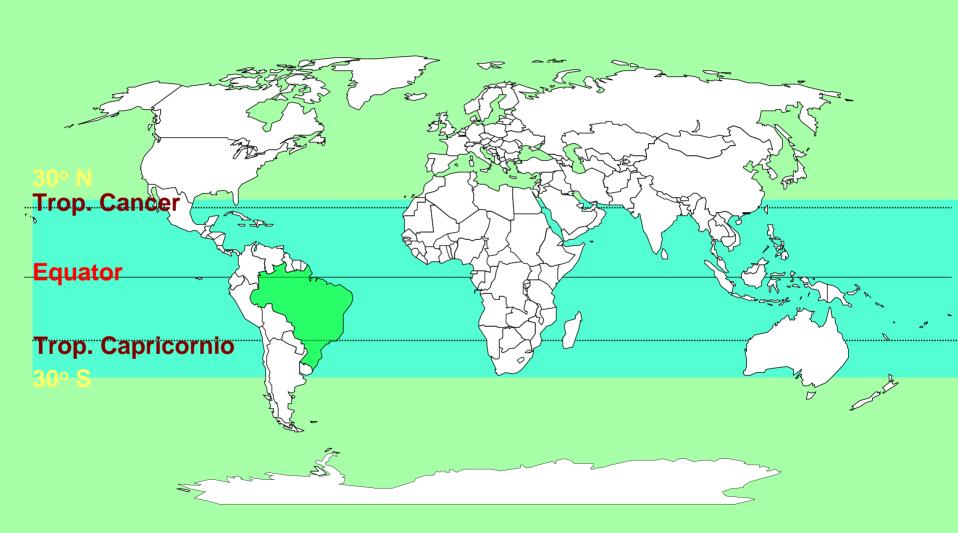
Why BIOFUELS?

- > Environmental gains
 - carbon sequestration
 - lower emission levels in consumption
- > Renewability
- short production cycle
- man-controlled process

- > Economic aspects
 - new demand component
 - impacts on trade balance

- Social aspects
 - jobs creation
- income distribution

Biofuels can be considered an excellent opportunity to the tropical countries...



Some basic statements (1/2):

- Energy supply is a great challenge to all the Developing Countries;
- Reducing the oil dependence is a need for most of them;
- Biofuels can be important to address those problems;
- Brazilian experience can be helpfull.

Some basic statements (2/2):

- Brazil is the lowest cost producer of sugar and ethanol;
- But the highest agricultural yields are in Ethiopia and Colombia;
- ➤ Other countries able to grow sugar cane competitively could also become low cost producers of sugar and ethanol;
- ➤ It is possible to combine agricultural aptitude with high technology and management in other countries, besides Brazil.

Why starting a biofuels program with ethanol?

- > It is easy to be produced in large scale;
- > It is much cheaper than biodiesel;
- > It is perfectly miscible with gasoline;
- within appropriate limits, no change in car engines is needed;
- > It allows expressive environmental gains.

Why choosing sugar cane?

- > It allows the highest productivity (liters/hectare);
- It has exceptional thermal and environmental balances;
- ➤ It allows an increase in the competitiveness of the mills (higher quality and lower costs of sugar);
- > It gives some flexibility to the mill;
- > It leads to an increase in agricultural yield (industrial residues transformed in fertilizers).

How to start a program of producing ethanol?

- > Identifying potential areas (available raw material);
- > Considering technical and economic questions;
- Developing a local basic equipments industry;
- > Finding the technologies more appropriated to each case (specially in terms of scale);
- > Investing in the best projects;

How to start a program of blending ethanol with gasoline?

- > Infrastructure installations and logistic;
- > Technical and formal questions;
- > Economic and fiscal questions;
- > Instruments for supply guaranty;
- > Consumer reaction.

How we can help: Agricultural Aspects

- ➢ Information on sugar cane varieties, data bank: (Centro de Tecnologia Canavieira, Instituto Agronomico de Campinas, Universidade Federal de Sao Carlos);
- ➤ Technical support for sugar production: Organizacao dos Plantadores de Cana de Sao Paulo (ORPLANA), Cooperativa de Pordutores da Regiao de Ribeirao Preto, and other consultants.

How we can help: Industrial Aspects

- ➤ Technical packages for both the production of ethanol and sugar, integrated with electricity cogeneration: Federation of Industries of Sao Paulo State (FIESP);
- Financing of equipment by Brazilian exporters by BNDES Brazilian development bank (Libor + 2%, 12-year loan).

How we can help: Ethanol Consumption

- ➢ Information on blending: stock and transport logistics, specifications Petrobras;
- ➤ Technical information for vehicles: appropriate fuel blends depending on engine technology Brazilian Association of Manufacturers of Auto Vehicles (Anfavea).

How we can help: Regulatory and Fiscal Aspects

- > Agricultural policy Ministry of Agriculture;
- > Taxation and fiscal policy Ministry of Finance;
- Energy policy and fuel quality Ministry of Mines & Energy;
- ➤ Trade policy and industrial cooperation Ministry of Development, Industry & International Trade.

Conclusions:

- Ethanol can be an excellent business for tropical countries, especially the traditional sugar cane producers;
- Producing and blending ethanol with gasoline are simple tasks, if all the process is carefully planned;
- Brazil learned with its own mistakes. Other countries don't have to do the same;
- > Brazil is interested in sharing its experience because it needs the help of other suppliers to organize the international market.

Thank you!

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