

GEOGRAPHY of ECONOMICS

Covers the geographic (spatial) aspects of an area's economy and development and the ability of a population to provide for itself outside of the bare necessities for existence (subsistence).

Also called "economic geography." Chapters 9 and 12

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When you link of a successful, profitable enterprise what geographic aspect (or word) comes to mind?

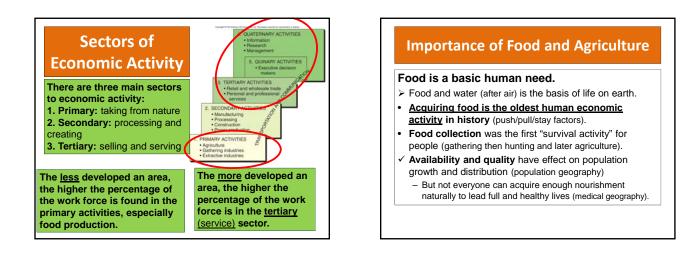
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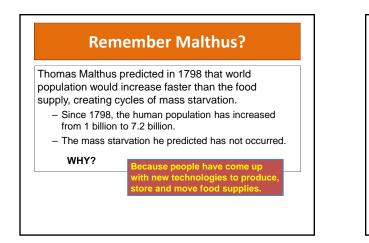
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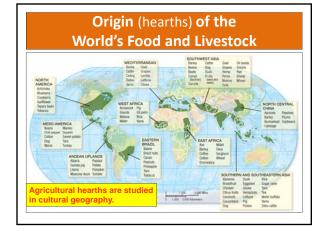
- The application of geographic principles and tools to people's activities, business and government.
 - The study of the spatial variation on the earth of activities related to the production, exchange and consumption of goods and services.
- ✓ It relies heavily on maps, analytical methods and models in search for explanations.

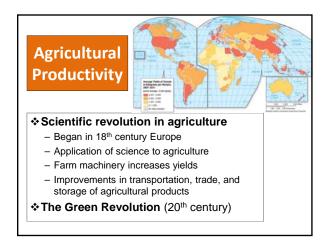


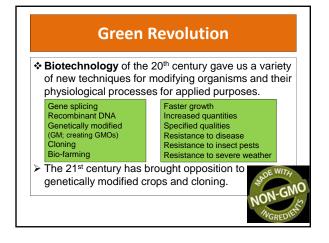


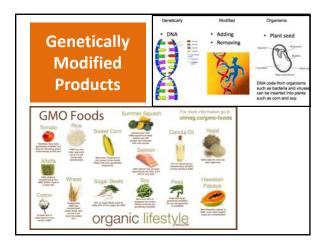


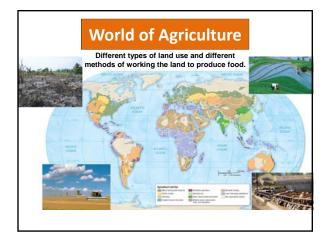
- Crop transplants
- Genetic engineering
- New cropland
- New lands
- New lanus
- Irrigation
- Transportation and storage advances
- Improved protection against spoilage and pests
- Green Revolution
- Technological advances

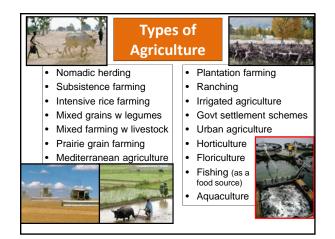










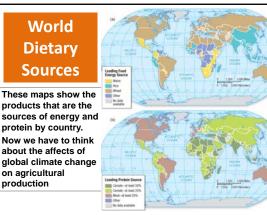


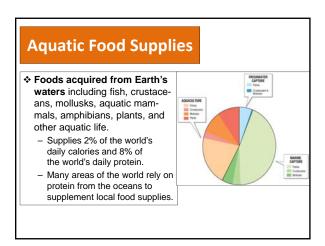
Variables Determining Types of Agriculture

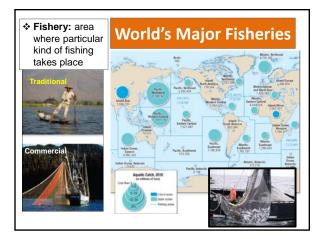
- 1. Natural environment (climate, water, soil)
- 2. Most productive crops in that environment (best suited for conditions)
- 3. Level of technology (ability to cope with environment and economic situation)
- 4. Market orientation (who is buying/using)
- 5. Production for human or animal consumption (consumer's quality expectations)

Agriculture Terms

- Nonagricultural land: area too hot, too cold, or too dry for agriculture; cannot produce food to
- sustain a population. Subsistence agriculture: food produced for oneself and family.
- Commercial agriculture: food produced for sale.
- Polyculture: raising a variety of crops.
- Monoculture: specializing in one product.
- Economies of scale: greater earnings per unit produced by expanding the area used and/or the number of units produced.









7 Principles of Location Theory and Economic Landscapes

1. Distance

- 2. Accessibility
- 3. Spatial interaction and movement (complimentarily)
- 4. Diffusion (spread)
- 5. Transportation system and networks
- 6. Comparative advantage (best suited)
- 7. Agglomeration (clustering)