

COST OF PRODUCTION OF RAW COTTON



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OBJECTIVES

1. Provide update on production research
2. Provide information on cotton research programs
3. Develop lines of communications among researchers
4. Supervise production research CFC projects

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1. Provide update on production research

THE ICAC RECORDER

Technical Seminar at the Plenary Meetings

Review articles

Occasional reports

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2. Provide information on cotton research programs

Current Research Projects - 2003

Cotton Production Practices - 2002

Cost of Production - 2001

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3. Facilitate communications among researchers

World Cotton Research Conferences

WCRC-1, WCRC-2, WCRC-3, WCRC-4 (USA in 2007)

Regional Networks

Latin American Association for Cotton Research and Development - ALIDA

Mediterranean & Middle East Cotton Network

Southern and Eastern African Cotton Forum - SEACF

Asian Cotton Research and Development Network - ACRDN

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4. Supervise Common Fund for Commodities Projects

ICAC is a recognized Int. Commodity Body on Cotton

15 projects, over US\$17 million grant

COST OF PRODUCTION

COST OF PRODUCTION - METHODOLOGY

- Pre sowing - Rent, presoaking irrigation, etc.
- Sowing - Seed, herbicides, fertilizers, etc.
- Growing - Thinning, weeding, fertilizers, insecti., etc
- Harvesting - Picking, stick cutting
- Ginning - Transportation, ginning, classing
- Economic - Management, interest, repairs, etc.
- Fixed - Tractors, power supply, etc.

COST OF PRODUCTION - METHODOLOGY

Operation/Item	Unit	Quantity/ha	Cost/unit	Cost in local currency	Cost in US\$
1. Pre sowing					
Land rent					
.....					
Sub total					
2. Sowing					
Seed					
.....					
Sub total					

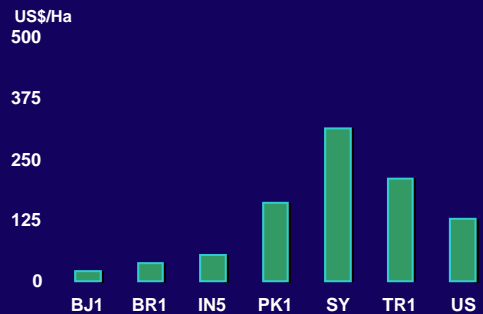
COST OF PRODUCTION

- Argentina (AR1) - Santiago del Estero
- Australia (AU1) - New South Wales
- Benin (BJ1) - North Zone
- Brazil (BR1) - Cerrado
- China, M (CN1) - Yellow River Valley
- India (IN5) - South, Hybrids
- Pakistan (PK1) - Punjab
- Syria (SY) - National Average
- Turkey (TR1) - Aegean
- USA (US) - National Average

INTERCOUNTRY COMPARISON LIMITATIONS

- Inputs are free or subsidized
- Complete/uniform data not available
- Farmers sell seed/cotton vs lint
- Economic and fixed costs not determined
- Opportunity not determined

LAND RENT



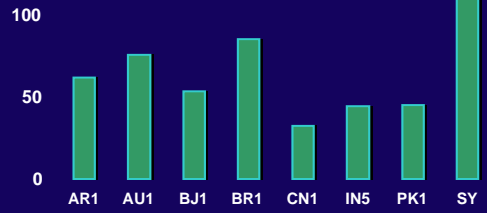
PLANTING SEED

US\$/Ha
100



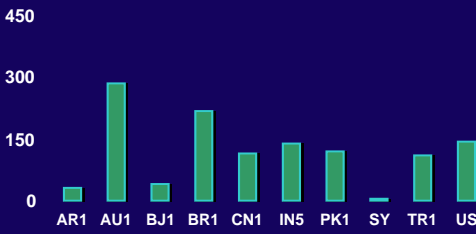
WEED CONTROL

US\$/Ha
150



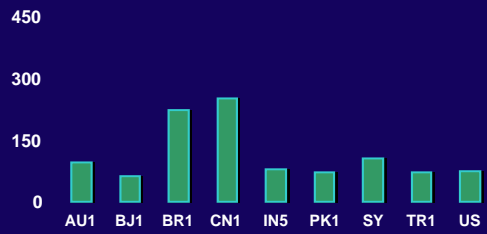
INSECT CONTROL

US\$/Ha
600



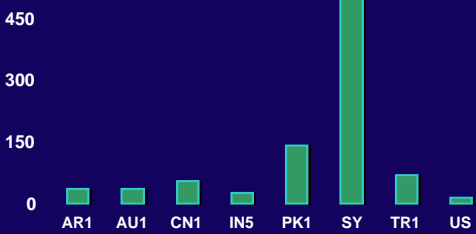
FERTILIZER COSTS

US\$/Ha
600



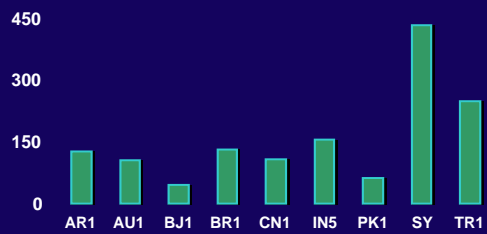
IRRIGATION COSTS

US\$/Ha
600



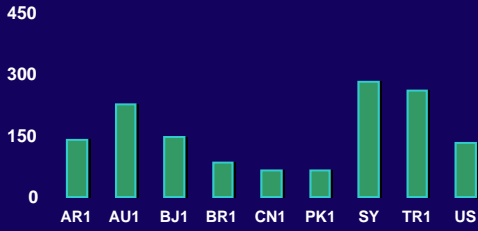
HARVESTING COSTS

US\$/Ha
600



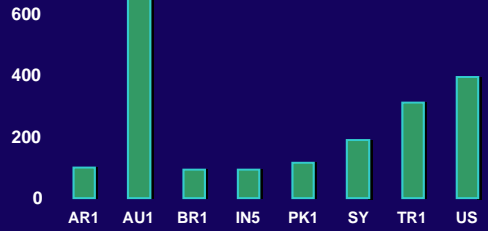
GINNING COSTS

US\$/Ha
600



ECONOMIC COSTS

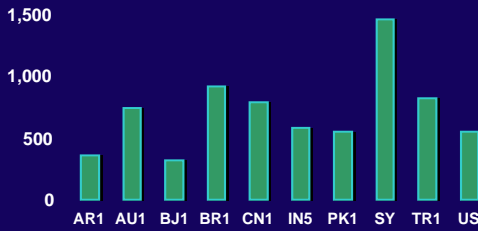
US\$/Ha
800



SEEDCOTTON COST

(Excluding Land Rent)

US\$/Ha
2,000



OWNERSHIP COST

(Excluding Land Rent)

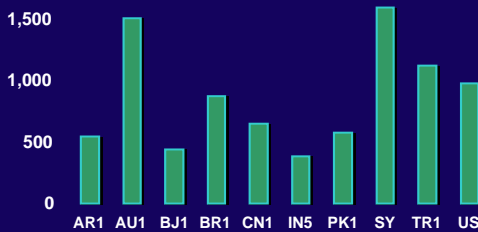
US\$/Ha
2,000



NET COST

(Excluding Land Rent and Seed Value)

US\$/Ha
2,000



SEEDCOTTON COST

(Excluding Land Rent)

US\$/Kg
1.00



OWNERSHIP COST

(Excluding Land Rent)

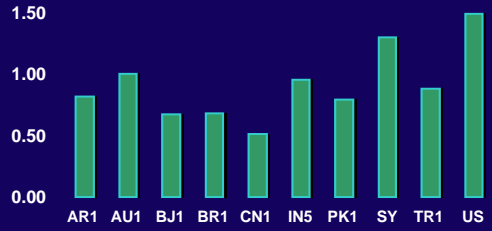
US\$/Kg
2.00



NET COST

(Excluding Land Rent and Seed Value)

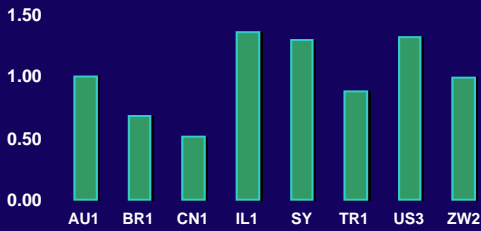
US\$/Kg
2.00



NET COST IN HIGH YIELDING COUNTRIES

(Excluding Land Rent and Seed Value)

US\$/Kg
2.00



NET COST IN EXPORTING COUNTRIES

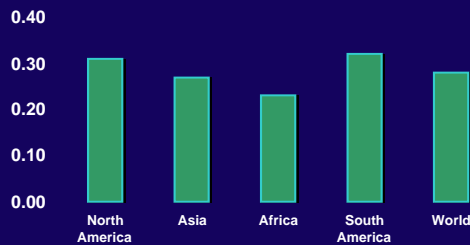
(Excluding Land Rent and Seed Value)

US\$/Kg
2.00



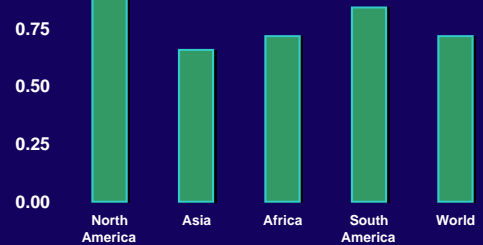
COST OF SEEDCOTTON BY REGION

US\$/Kg
0.50

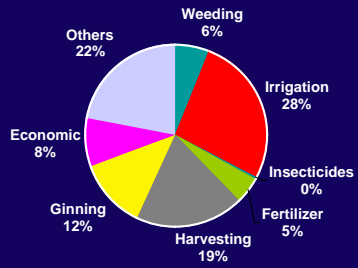


NET COST BY REGION

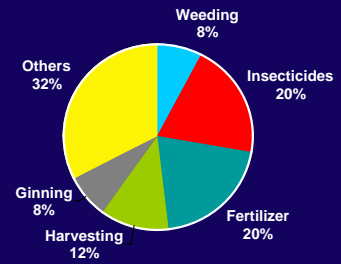
US\$/Kg
1.00



COST STRUCTURE IN SYRIA



COST STRUCTURE IN BRAZIL(Cerrado)



LONG TERM CONCLUSIONS

- Inputs use has optimized - slow increases
- Increase in total cost will increase cost/kg
- High cost is more important than low yields
- Rainfed cost/kg is higher than irrigated