

Creating & Enabling Environment for Higher Productivity in Coffee: The case of Colombia



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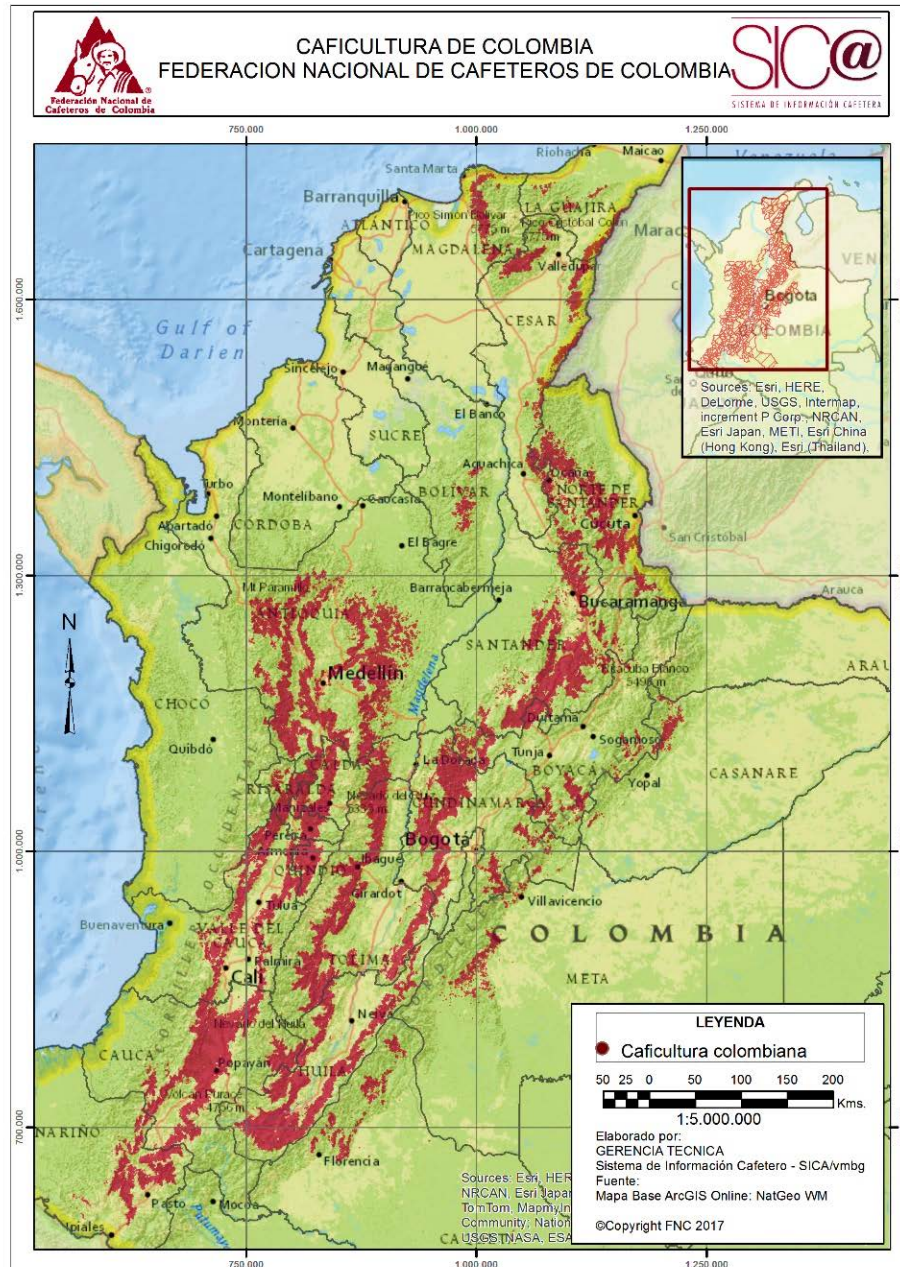
Coffee in Colombia es very important

More than
500.000 coffee
families are
involved

Coffee means
something like
11% agricultural
GDP

More than 2
millions of
persons directly or
indirectly linked to
coffee

Structure of Coffee Production in Colombia



Coffee Farms..... **666.578**

Coffee Municipalities..... **598**

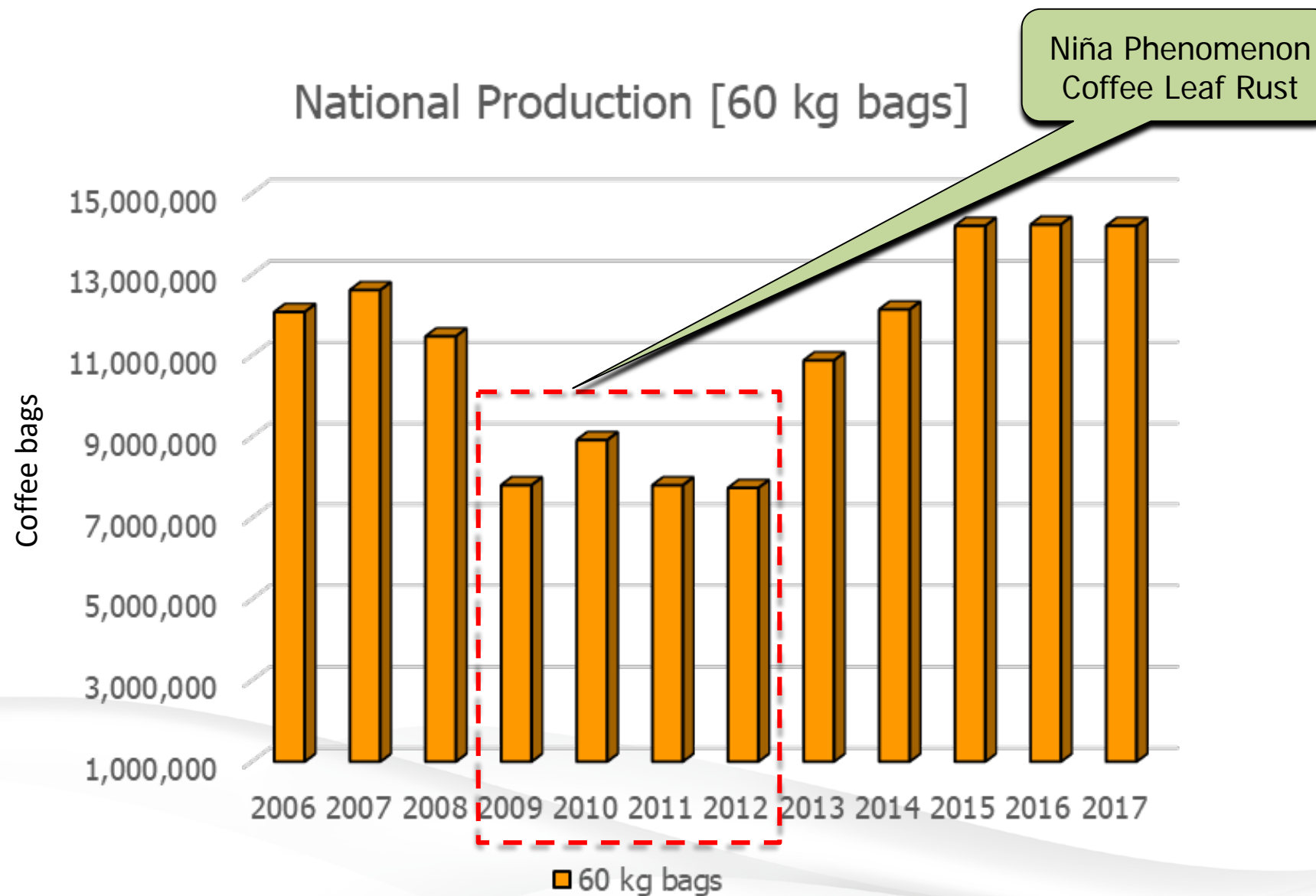
Coffee Growers.....**541.198**

Coffee Plots.....**1.895.378**

Total área cultivada.....**914.261 ha**

1.37 ha in
coffee/farm

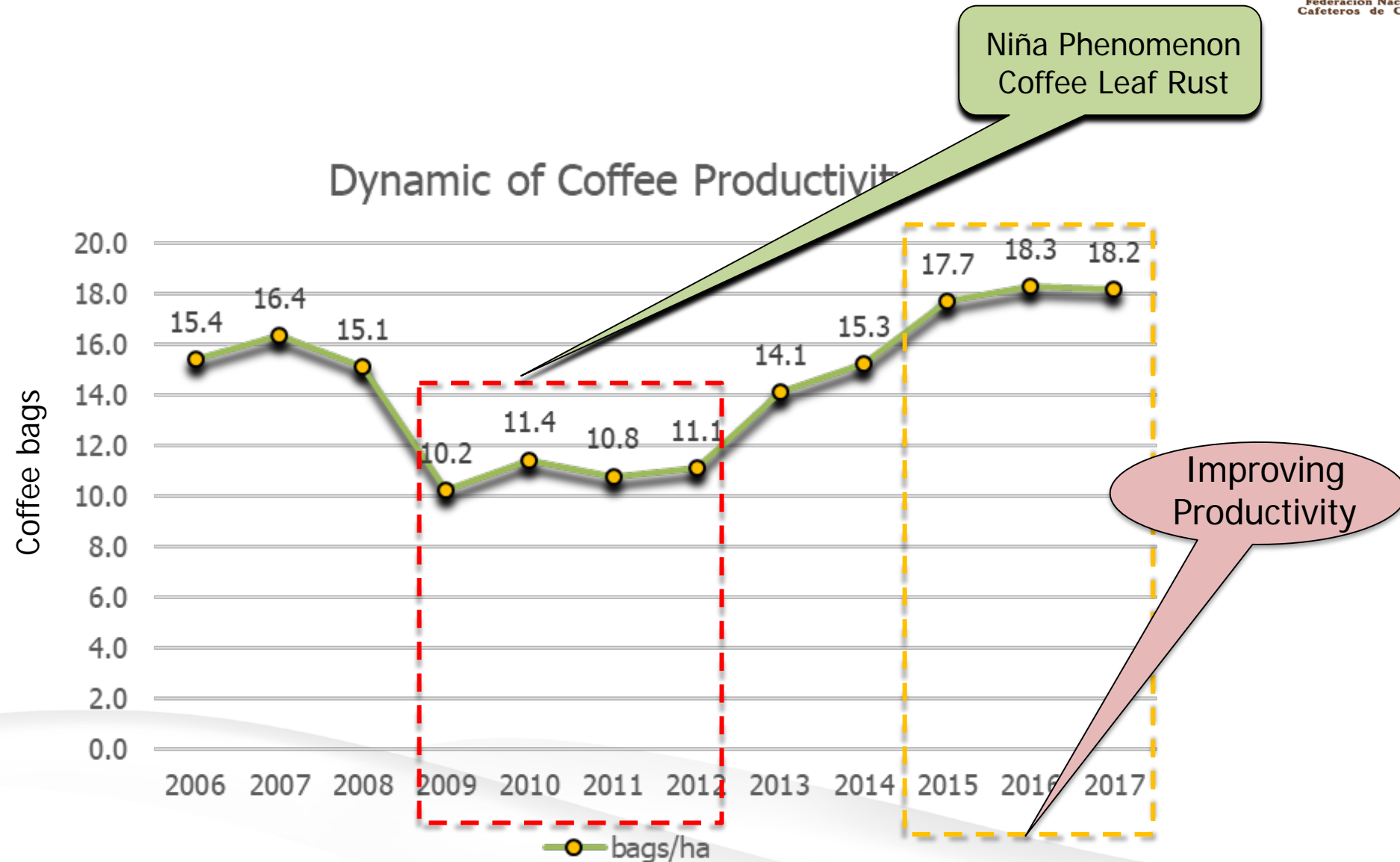
National Coffee Production 2006 - 2017





Coffee Rust in susceptible variety -
2010

National Coffee Productivity 2006 - 2017



Coffee Quality 2006 - 2017

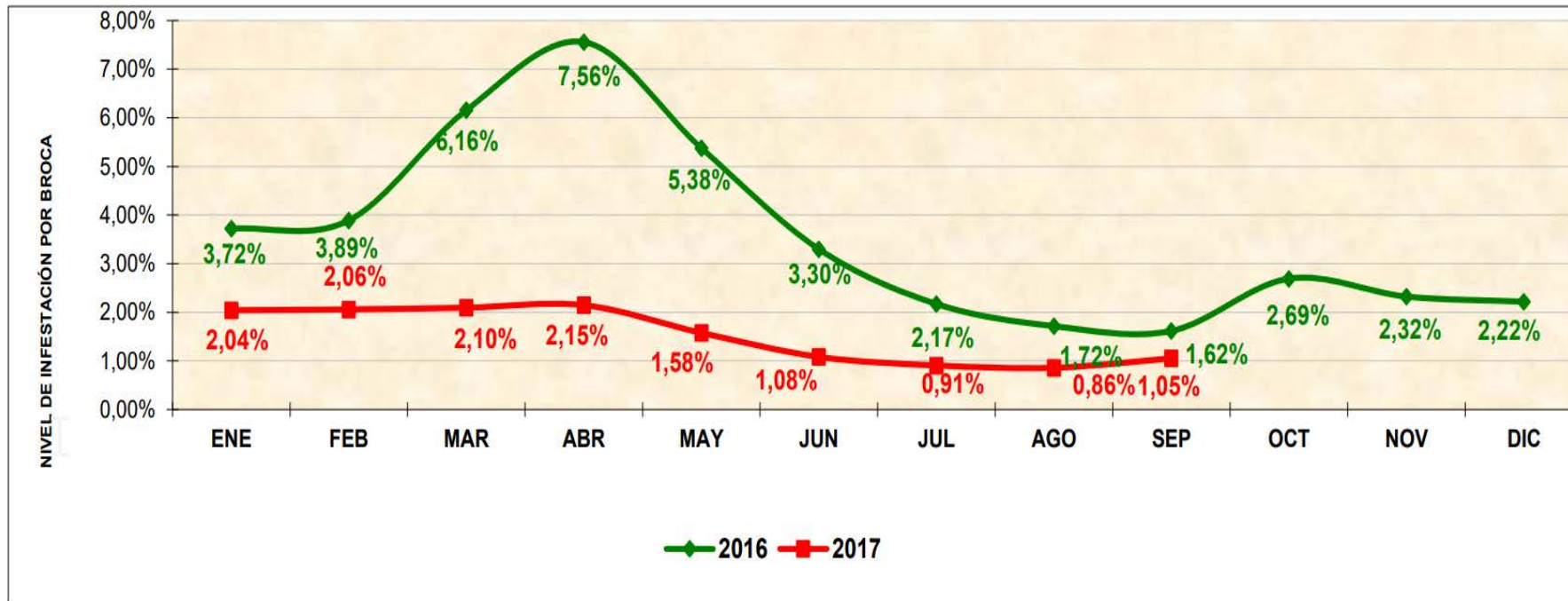
During the last years have not been quality coffee problems, as a general situation.

In the first semester of 2016, specifically, there was a strong Niño phenomenon that affected some coffee areas. The main damage was reflected in the development of the berries.



Coffee Quality 2006 - 2017

Coffee Berry Borer, that has been a problem for years, in this one the levels of infestation are very low, up to now.



Reasons for Improving Productivity

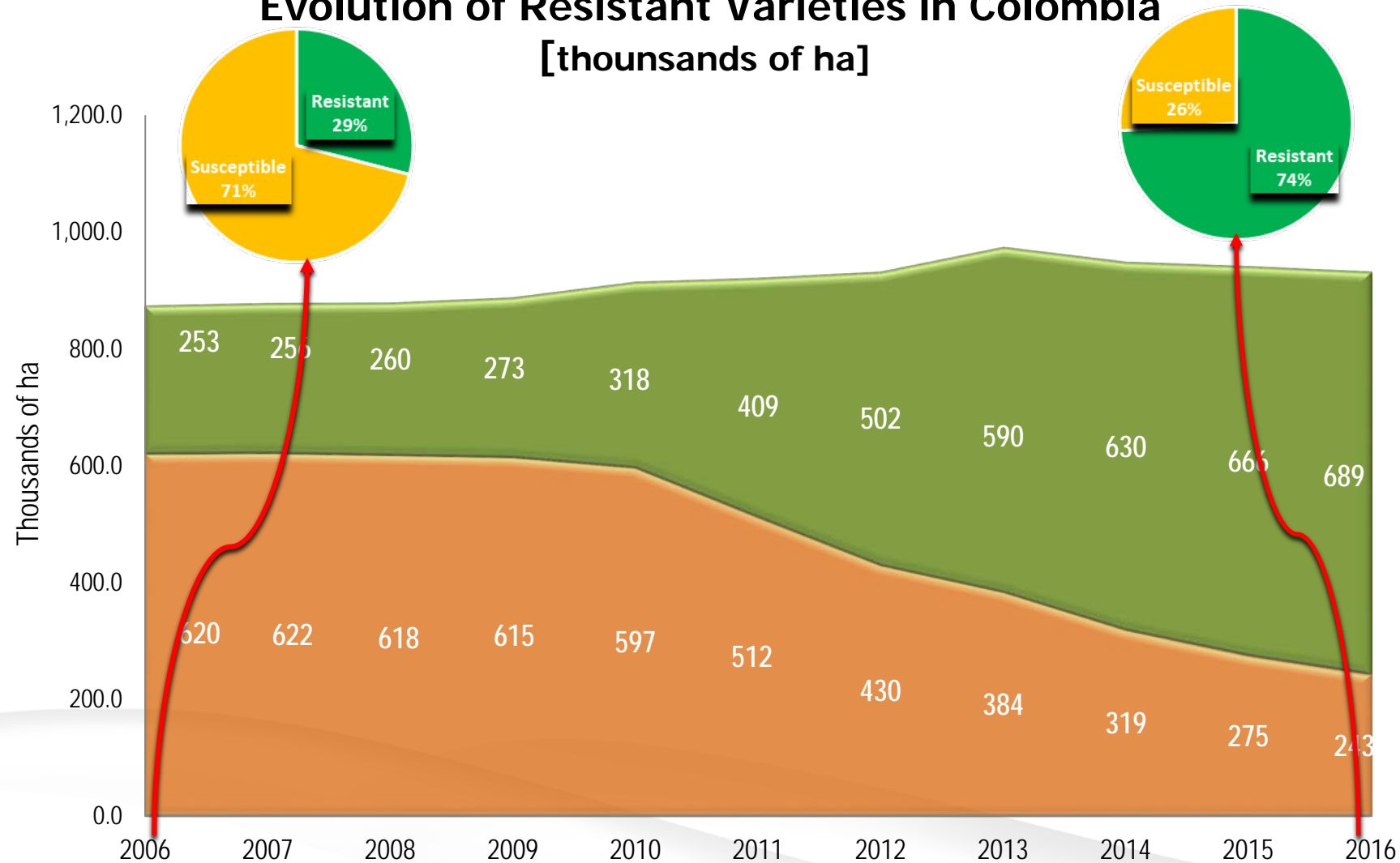
There are several reasons that have pushed up coffee productivity:

1. Promotion and Adoption of Resistant Varieties.



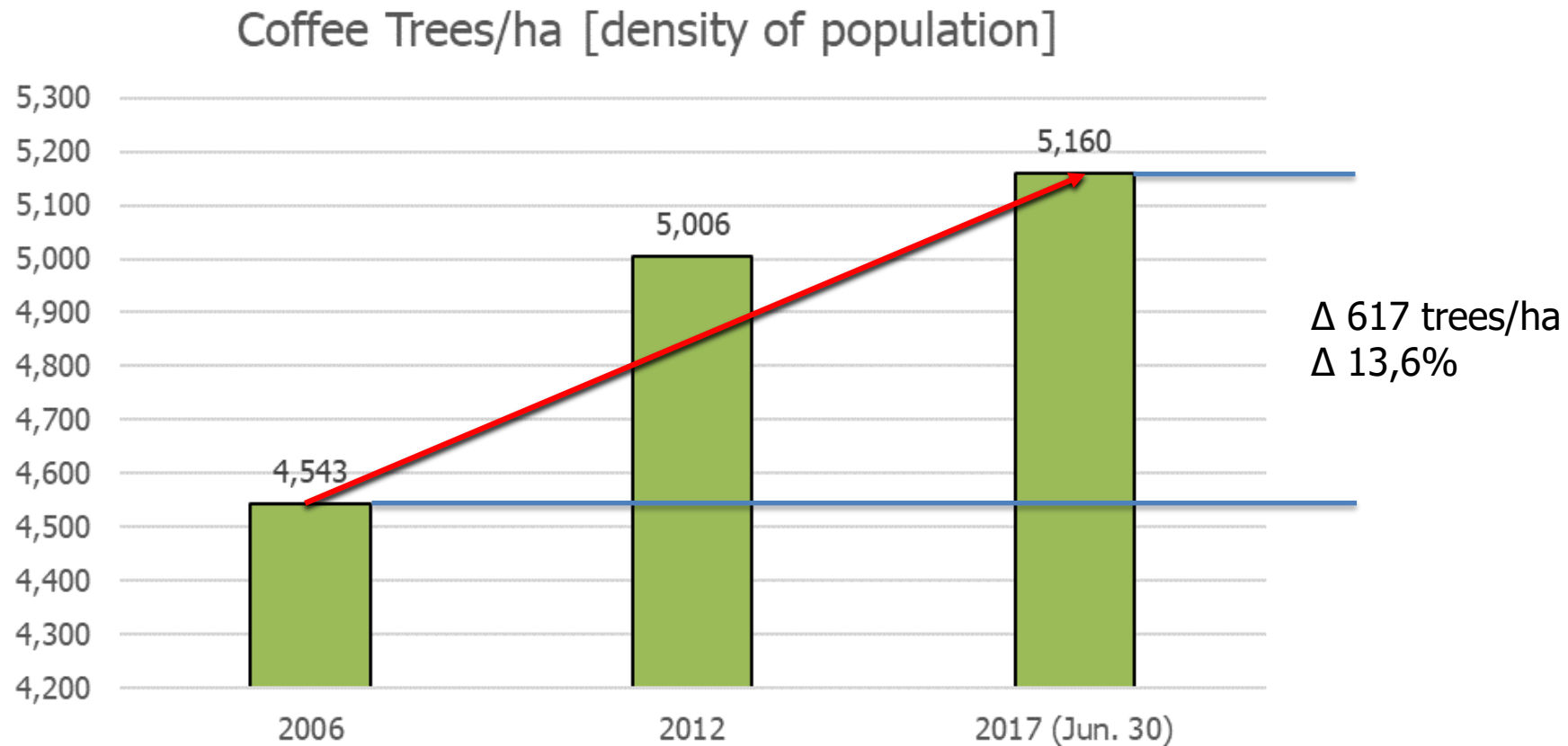
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Evolution of Resistant Varieties in Colombia [thousands of ha]



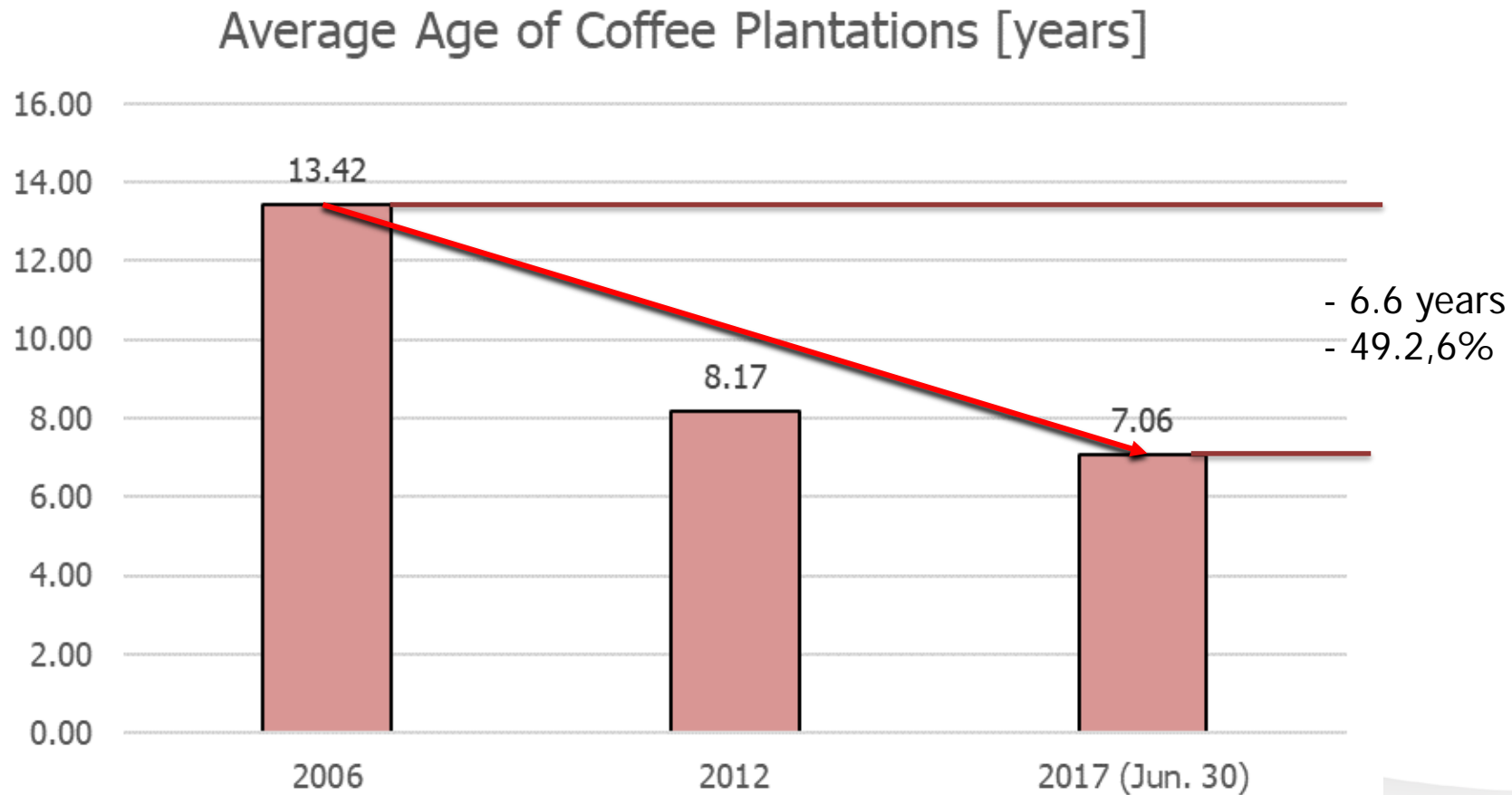
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2. Increasing the density of population of coffee trees/ha.



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3. Decreasing the average age of the coffee plantations.



4. Soil management.

Since 2016 a Extension Campaign started in order to promote two things:

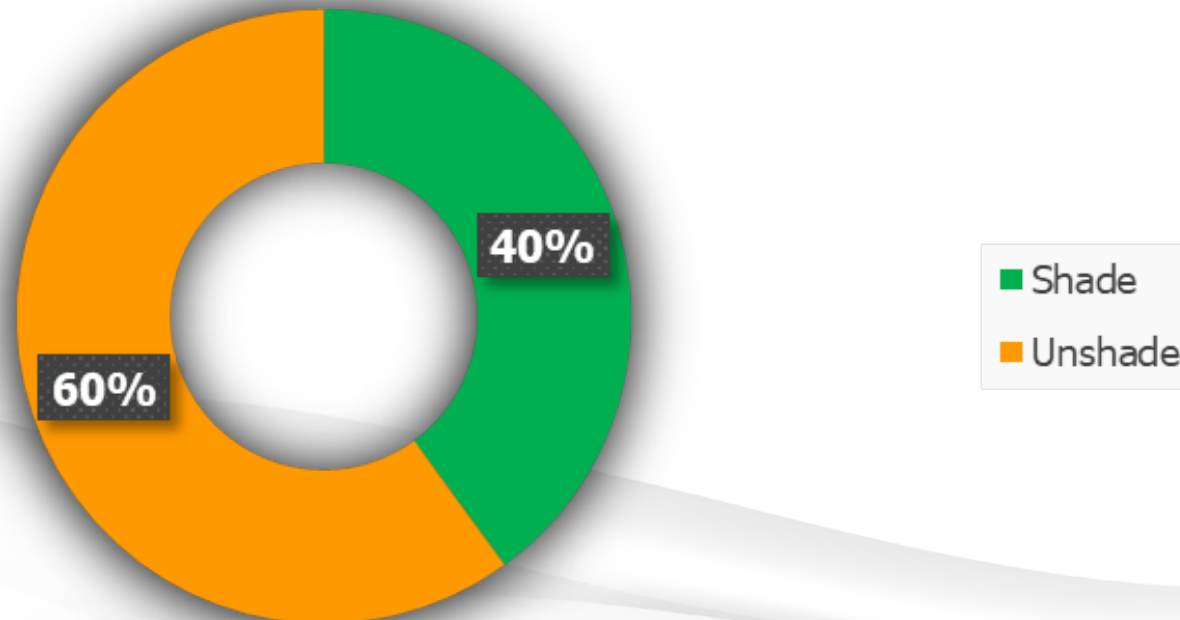
- a. Higher doses of fertilizer and,
- b. To correct the PH of the soil.

There is a hope that this campaign will have positive effects un future.

5. Shade conditions

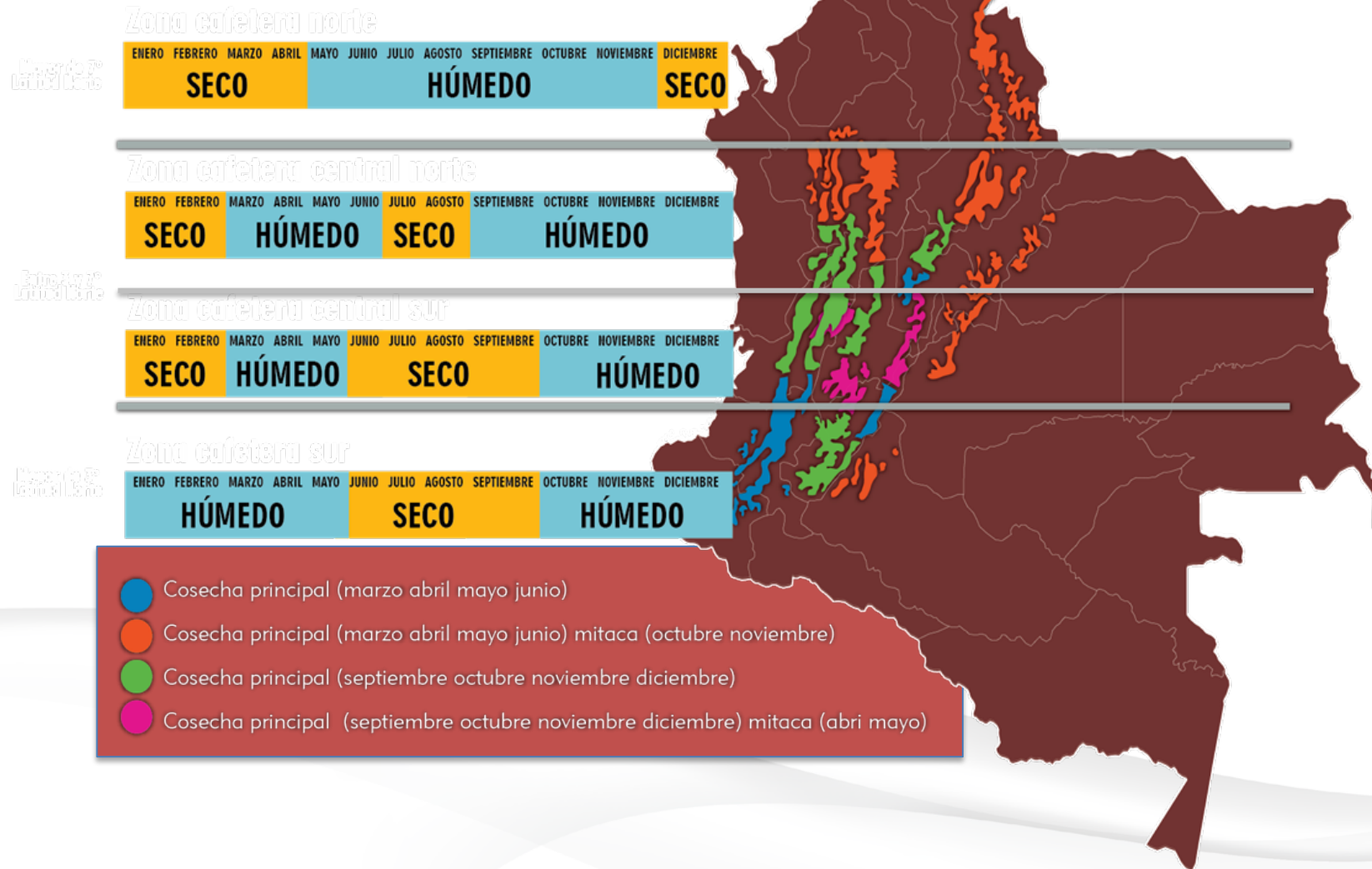
Cenicafe is looking for wider knowledge in agroforestry systems.

Shade Conditions



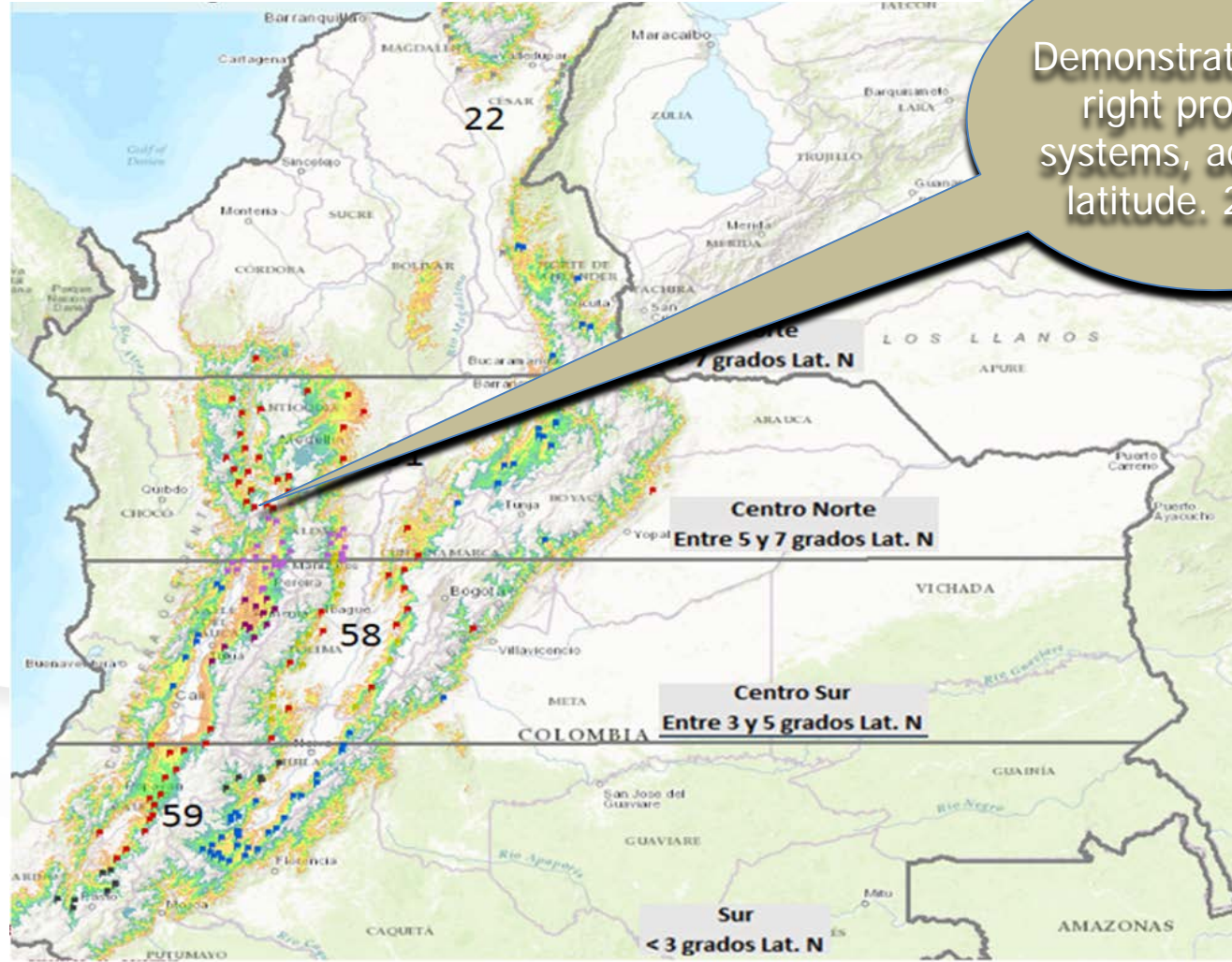
Reasons for Improving Productivity

Coffee Regions by Latitude



Reasons for Improving Productivity

Designing Production Systems according to Latitude.
Latitude plays a role in shade conditions

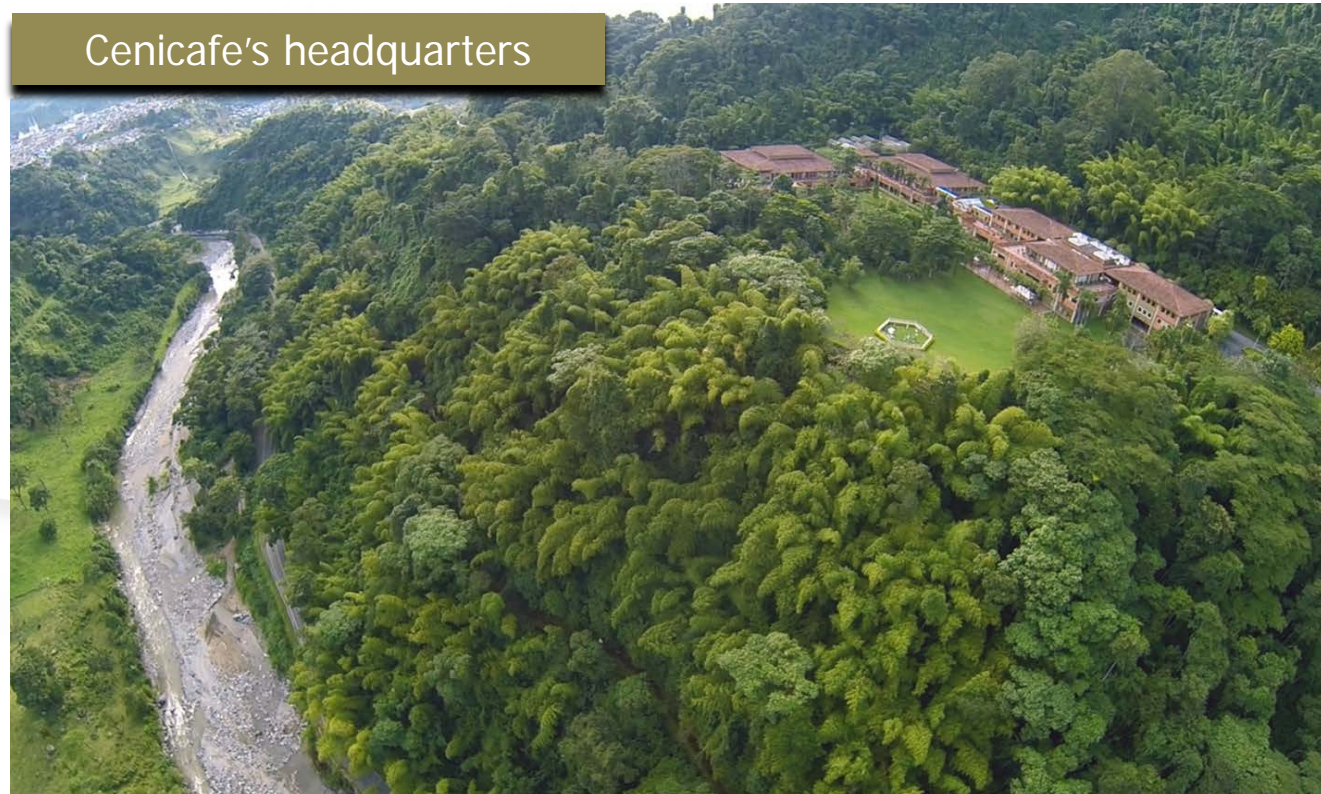


Demonstrative Plots of
right productions
systems, according to
latitude. 200 plots.

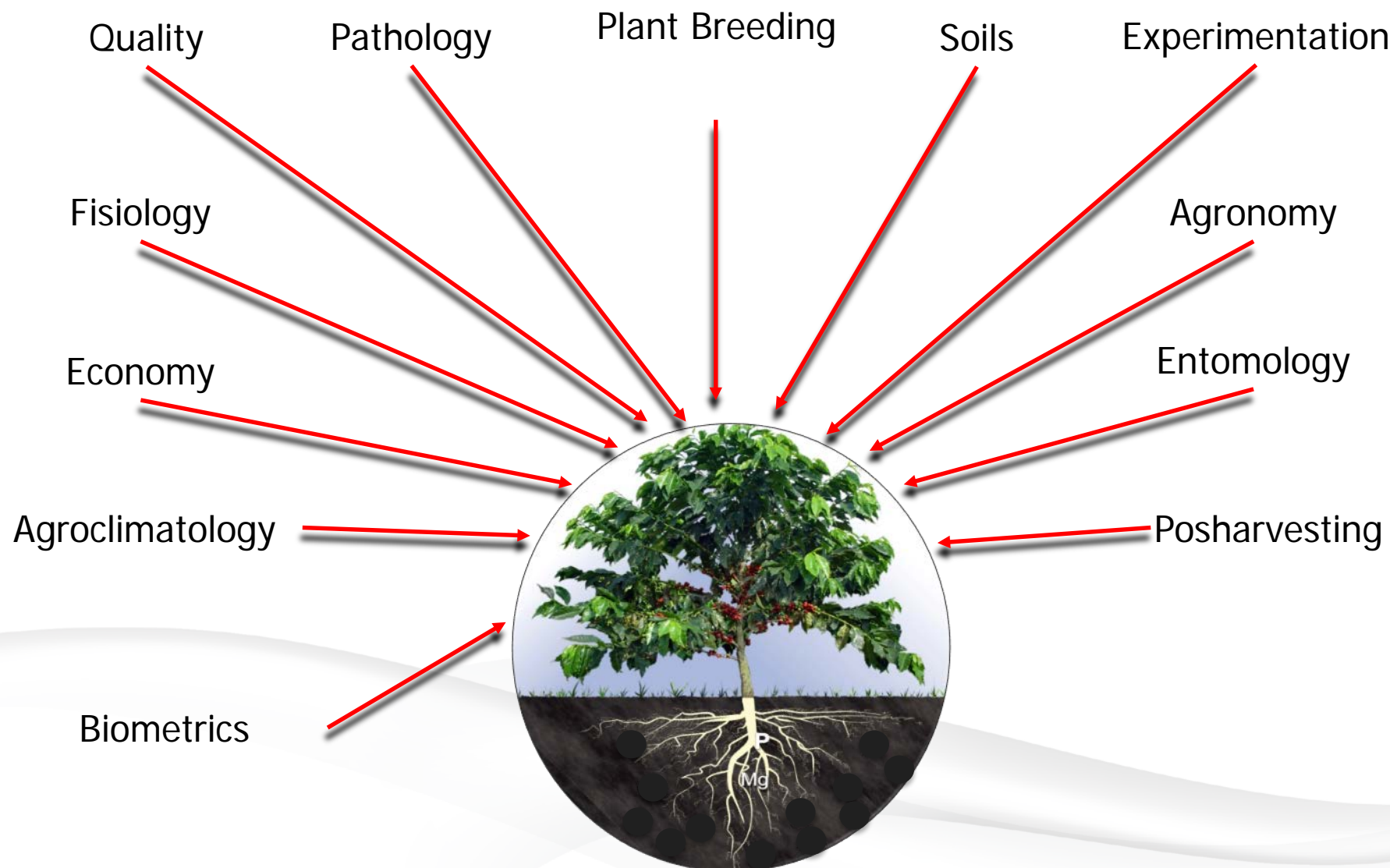
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6. Research

Cenicafé is the National Center of Coffee Research. Next year will get 80 years working for coffee. The results of its research is transferred to the coffee growers through the extension service.



Research by Disciplines



Reasons for Improving Productivity

There are
technologies to
support
different
production
systems.



Reasons for Improving Productivity

One of the main focus of Cenicafé is generate technologies that improve coffee productivity. In this way is looking for new coffee varieties and new perspectives about coffee production systems.

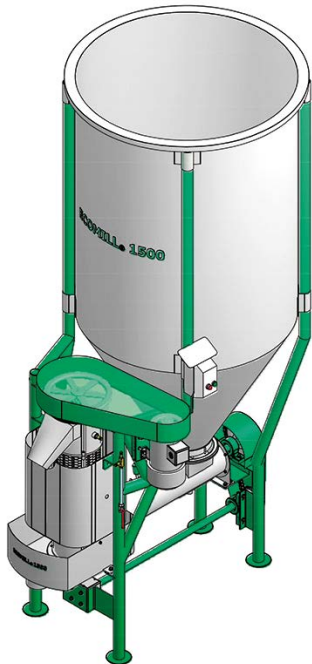


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7. Postharvesting management

One of the Cenicafe's focus is on saving water in postharvesting and to manage properly the water pollution used in the process.

Ecomill



Becolsub



Tina Tank



All of them save more than 95% of water used, compared to traditional method

Reasons for Improving Productivity

8. Our Extension Service

The FNC, has a Extension Service working beside the coffee growers.

At now, there are 960 extensionists [mainly agronomists], delivering the technology generated by Cenicafé with the goal of increase productivity and making coffee sustainable.



9. Credit

Since 2008 up to 2016, there was a Credit Scheme to promote the planting of new coffee and resistant varieties.

The FNC, worked together with the main public bank and some private ones.

This program reached:

- a. 233.000 credits
- b. 200.000 ha.

Remarks:

1. This is a general description about how Colombia and the FNC are working in order to reach higher productivities, than previous one.
2. A key goal is to support Economic Sustainability, as a first step to look for making coffee profitable.

Thanks