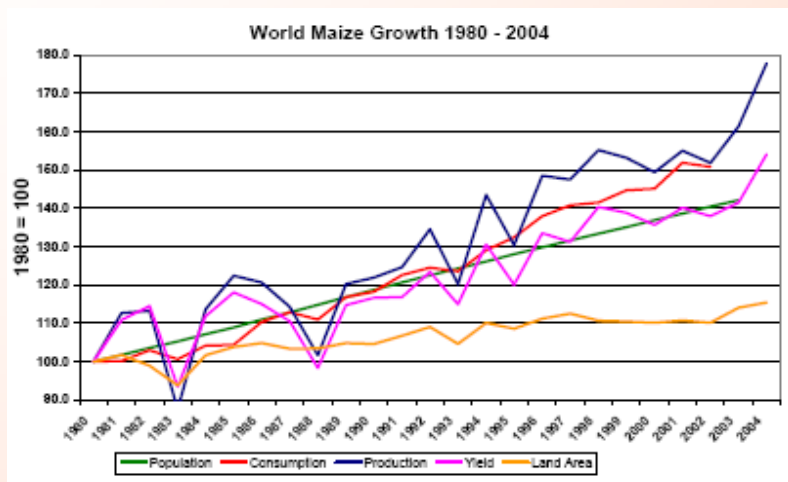


World maize growth 1980-2004



- ▶ Increase in production 78%
- ▶ Increase in yield 54%
- ▶ Increase in consumption 51%
- ▶ Increase in population 42%
- ▶ Increase in area 15%

- ▶ The production of wheat during the same period has increased by 58% even though the area has diminished by 10%