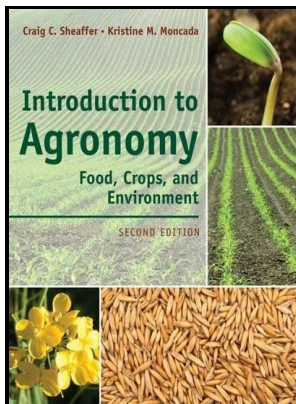


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6.3 Agricultural Regions

Thus, plantation agriculture, designed to produce crops for export, is critical to the economies of many developing countries. An Introduction to Agricultural Geography. In the developed countries, with higher incomes, more of the expensive livestock products can be eaten, and the starchy staples are consequently a much smaller percentage of all calories consumed.

10.2: Agricultural Practices

International Rice Research Institute, Symposium on Potential Productivity of Field Crops Under Different Environments, Los Banos, Laguna, Philippines, 1983. In this chapter some of the reasons for this are explored.

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Religious taboos are a powerful factor in regard to some products. Nomadic pastoralism is a traditional form of subsistence agriculture in which the pastoralists travel with their herds over long distances and with no fixed pattern. At 215 m above sea level, there is a probability of failure only once in 20 years; at 250 m about once in 10 years, at 300 m once in 5 years and at 330 m once in 3.

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10.2: Agricultural Practices

Climate, terrain, groundwater, and soil composition create limits on what and where crops can be produced without major human adaptations to the landscape. In the first place the type of farming practised, be it shifting cultivation, subsistence farming, extensive cereal cultivation or mixed farming affects the type of crops which can be produced and the yields which can be obtained. Our country is the second largest producer of rice in the world after China.

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European immigrants to the US established most American foodways. As soils are so varied in their physical and chemical composition, being so closely related to their climatic and vegetational environment, their suitability for the cultivation of different kinds of crops varies tremendously. This vicious circle creates a fundamental problem in Indian agro-economics.

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