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Consumer Behavior in Argentina

Doing Business in Argentina
2012

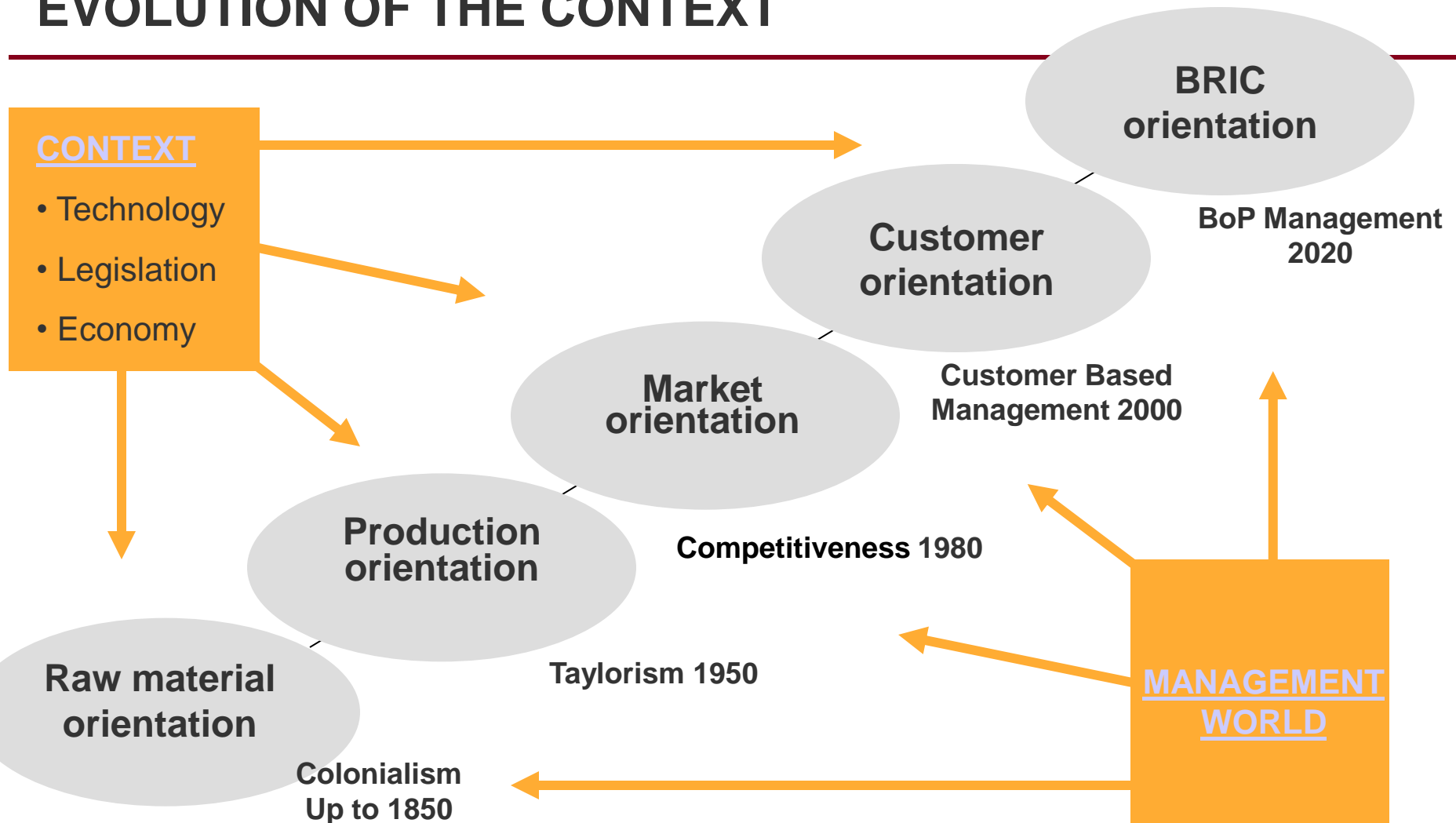
AGENDA

- ▶ What to discuss and why
- ▶ So what does a BRIC country look like?
 - ▶ Distribution system benchmarking Latin America
 - ▶ Consumption evolution in Argentina
 - ▶ The argentine consumer
 - ▶ Myths or Myth-stakes?
- ▶ Video Cases
- ▶ An excercise

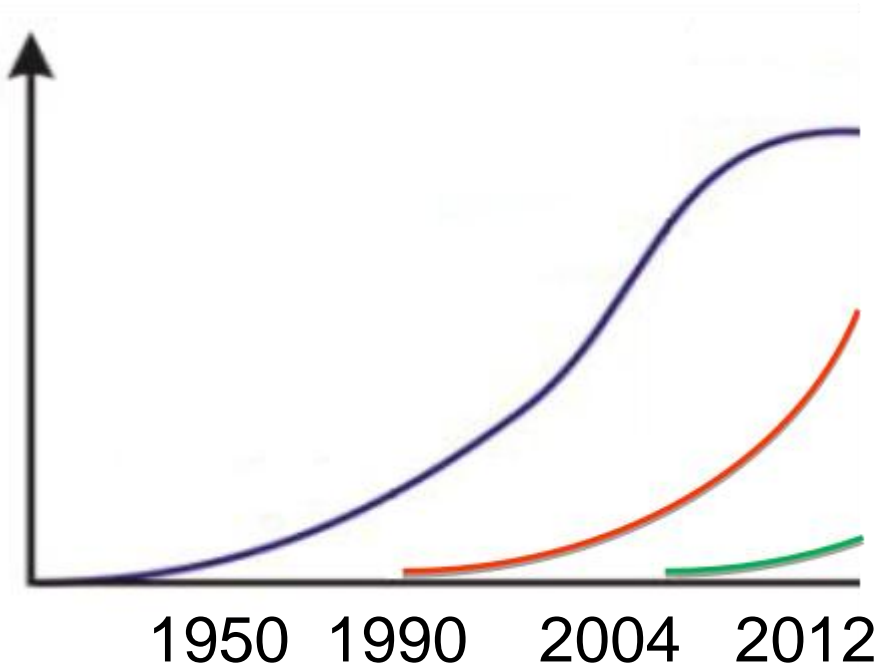
WHAT TO DISCUSS AND WHY



EVOLUTION OF THE CONTEXT



EVOLUTION OF THE CONTEXT: Which customer???



- Developed Markets
- Dot Com Markets
- BRIC Markets

So what does a BRIC country look like?

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM BENCHMARKING LATIN AMERICA



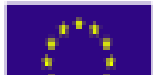
Number of Food Retail

Country	Number of stores/ 1000 inh.
UK	0.7
France	0.7
USA	0.7
Germany	0.9
Canada	0.9
Brazil	1.9
Greece	1.9
Spain	2.1
Italy	2.3
Mexico	2.9
Portugal	3.6
Argentina	3.8

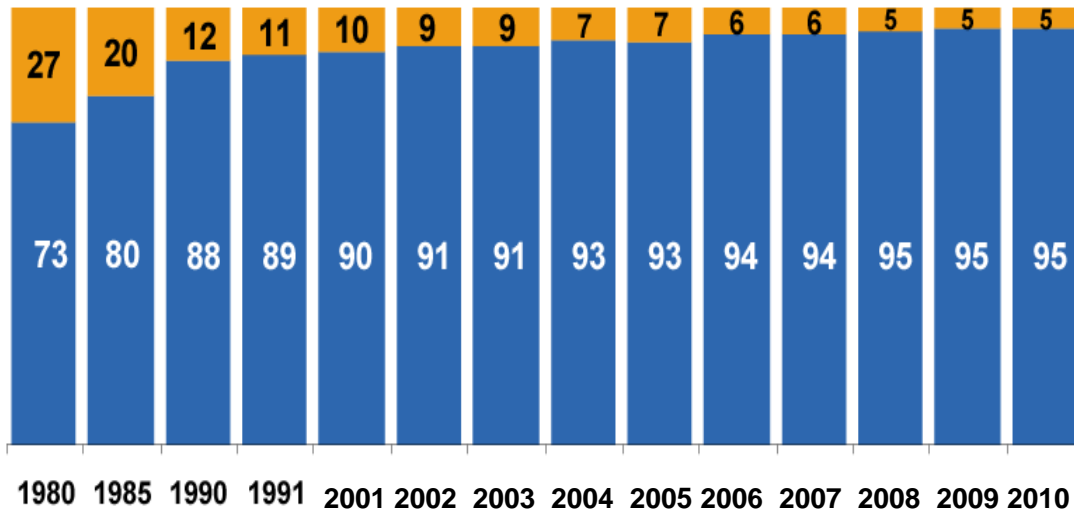


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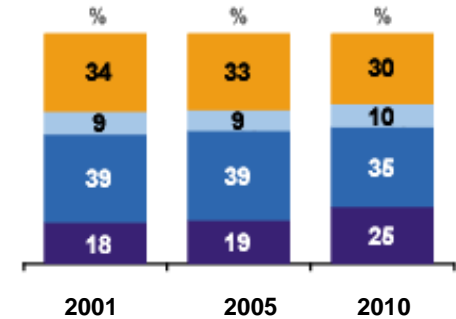
Channels Structure Evolution



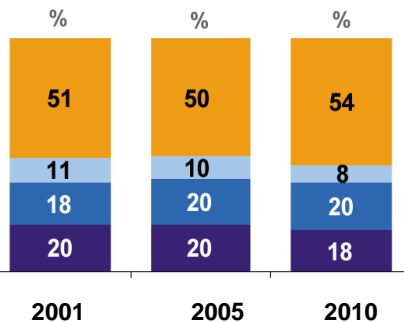
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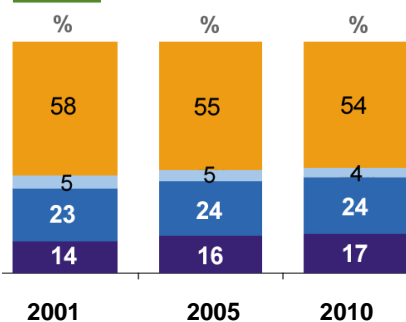
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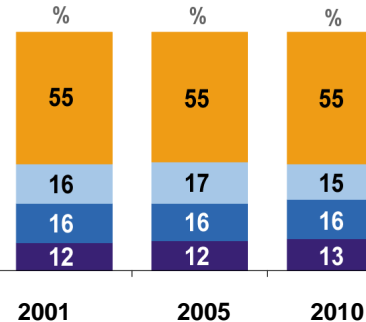
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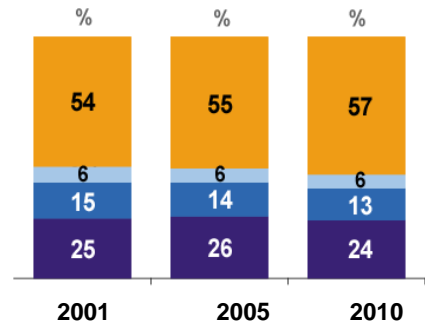
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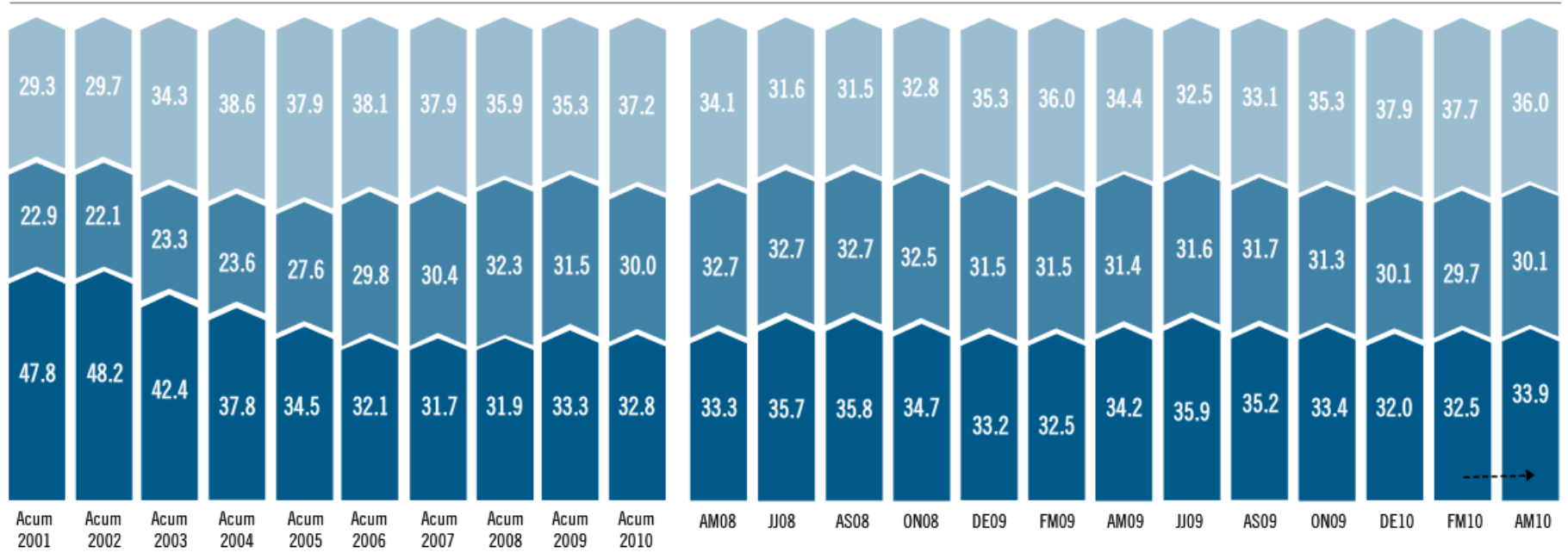
México



HYPER
 SUPER
 OTHER SE
 ADDITIONALS

Channel Structure Evolution in Argentina

▶ SUPERMARKETS
 ▶ SELF-SERVICE
 ▶ TRADITIONALS
(MOM&POP STORES, SPECIALTY STORES)



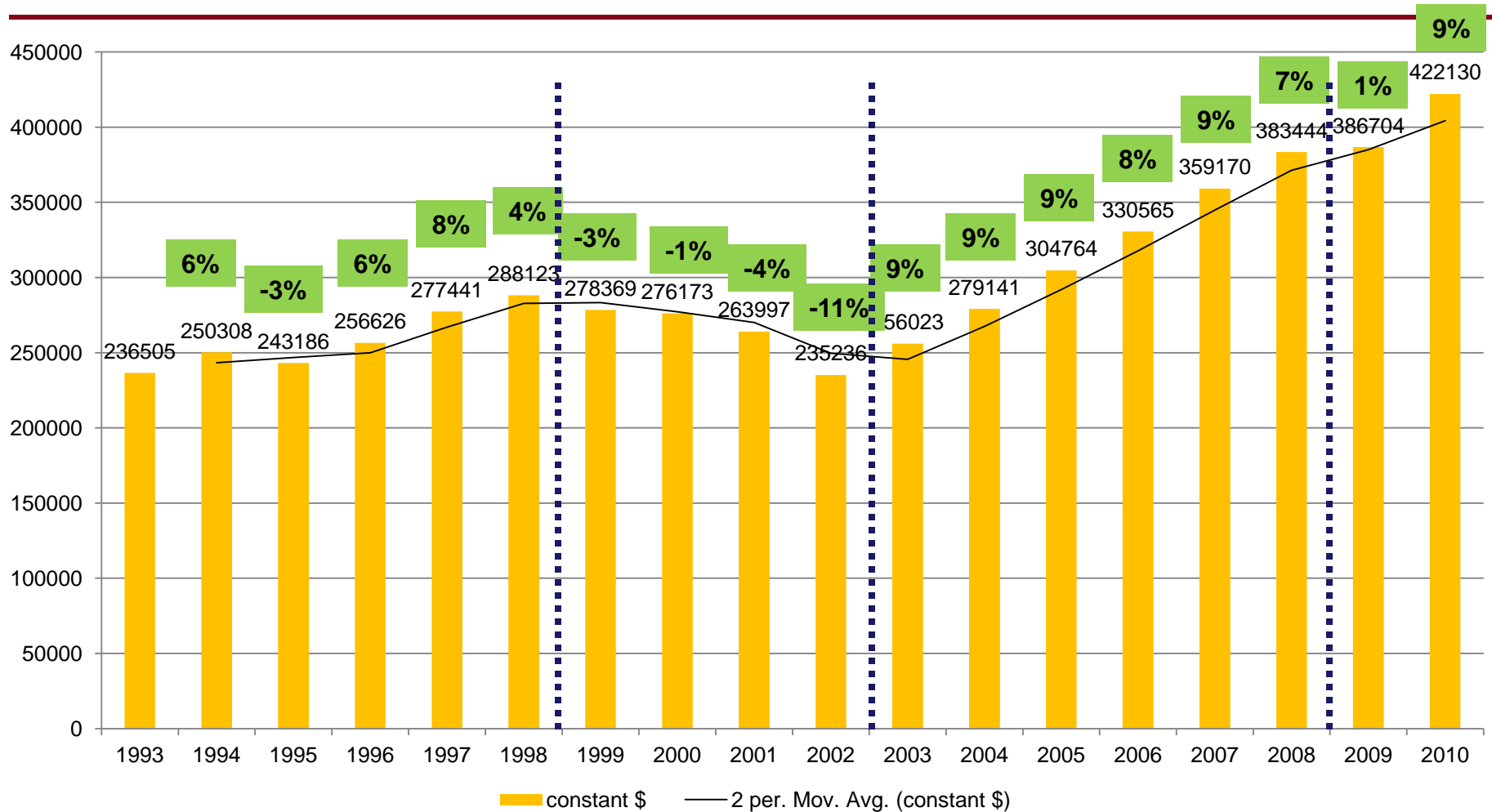
Source: Nielsen Retail Index – 81 categories

So what does a BRIC country look like?

CONSUMPTION EVOLUTION IN ARGENTINA

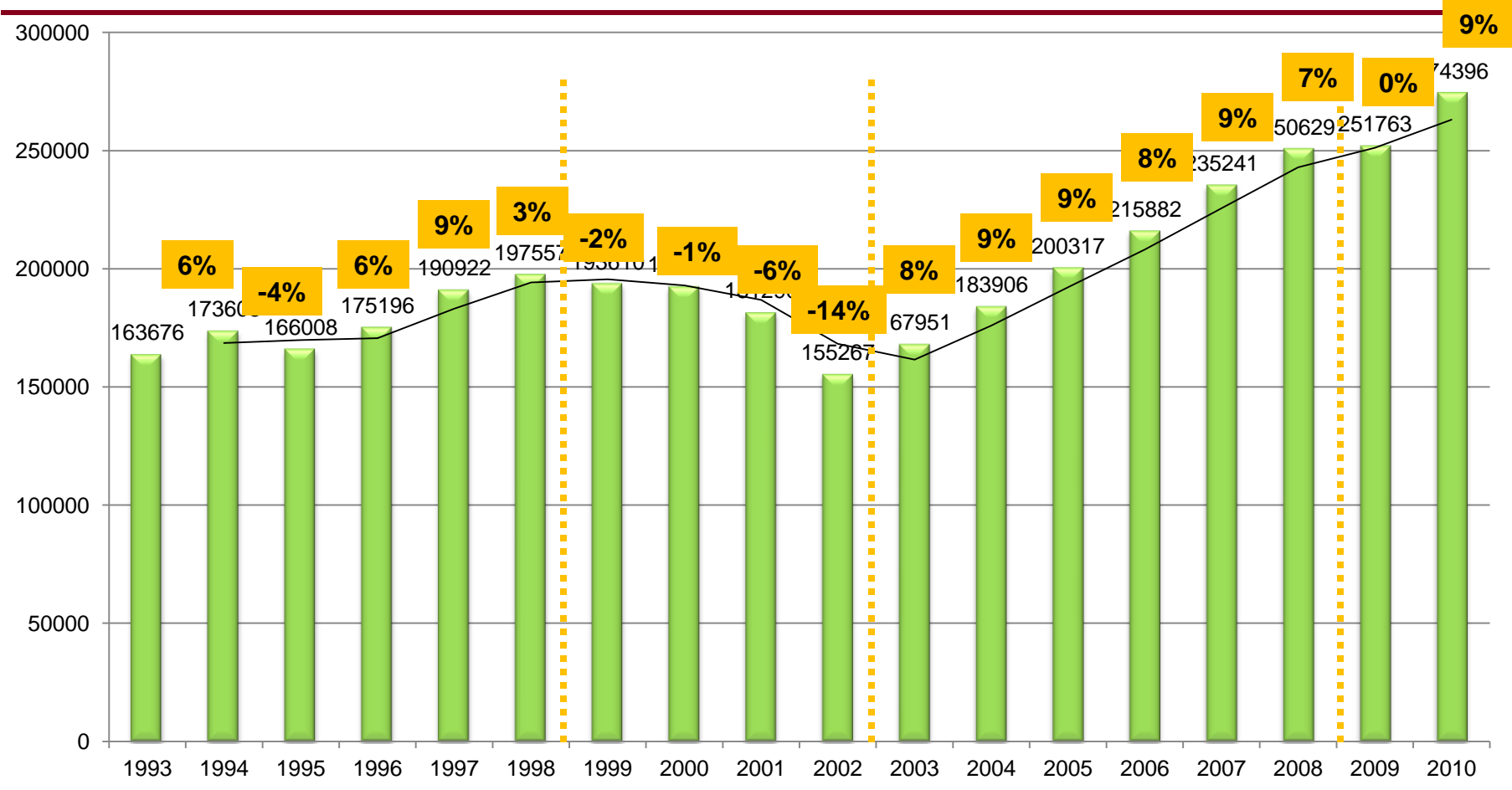


GDP Evolution (in million constant \$)



Source: World Bank

Consumption Evolution in End-consumers (Total Argentina)



This includes food / non food

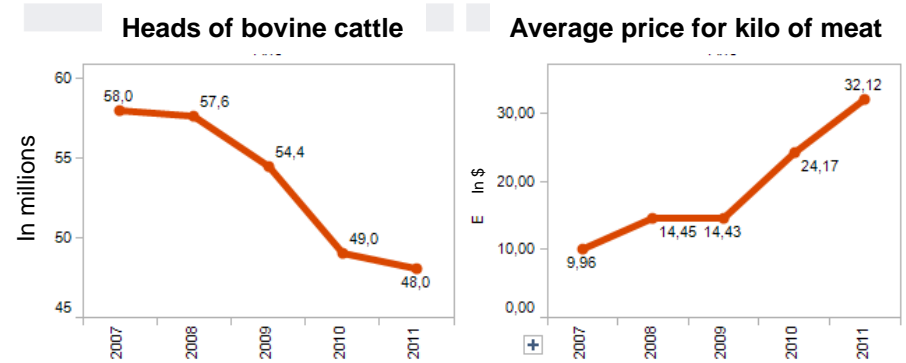
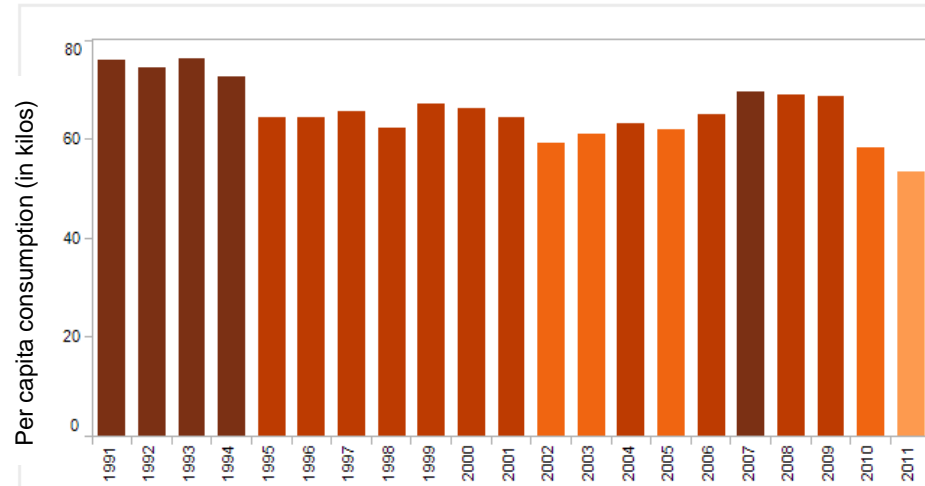
constant \$

Source: World Bank



Market Evolution (in volume)

Average consumption of meat



Source: Ministerio de Agricultura, IPCVA, SENASA

Source: ACARA

So what does a BRIC country look like?

THE ARGENTINE CONSUMER



The Social Economic Level Index

ARGENTINA - A.A.M.-	EUROPE	Brazil - A.B.A.- A.N.E.P.-	MEXICO - A.M.A.I. -
Education of H.H.	E.S.O.M.A.R. Education of H.H	Education of H.H.	Education of H.H.
Employment of H.H.	Employment of H.H. ó	-	Employment of H.H.
Possession of goods and services	- Possession of goods and services	- Possession of goods and services	Possession of goods and services
Automobile	- Automobile (included in the list of goods)	- Automobile (included in the list of goods)	-
-	-	-	Housing Data
<u>System:</u> Score and simple sum	<u>System:</u> Combined Matrix	<u>System:</u> Score and simple sum	<u>System:</u> Resolutions Tree

Source: AAM, 1996

Profile of the Social Economic Level groups - 1996

	ABC1	C2C3	DE
Education	University	High School (Compl) University (Incompl)	Grammar (Compl)
Employment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entrepreneur • Senior positions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent worker • Middle/low staff 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent craftsman • Shop floor worker
Automobile	96%	52%	19%
Nº of goods X	7.8	5	2.5

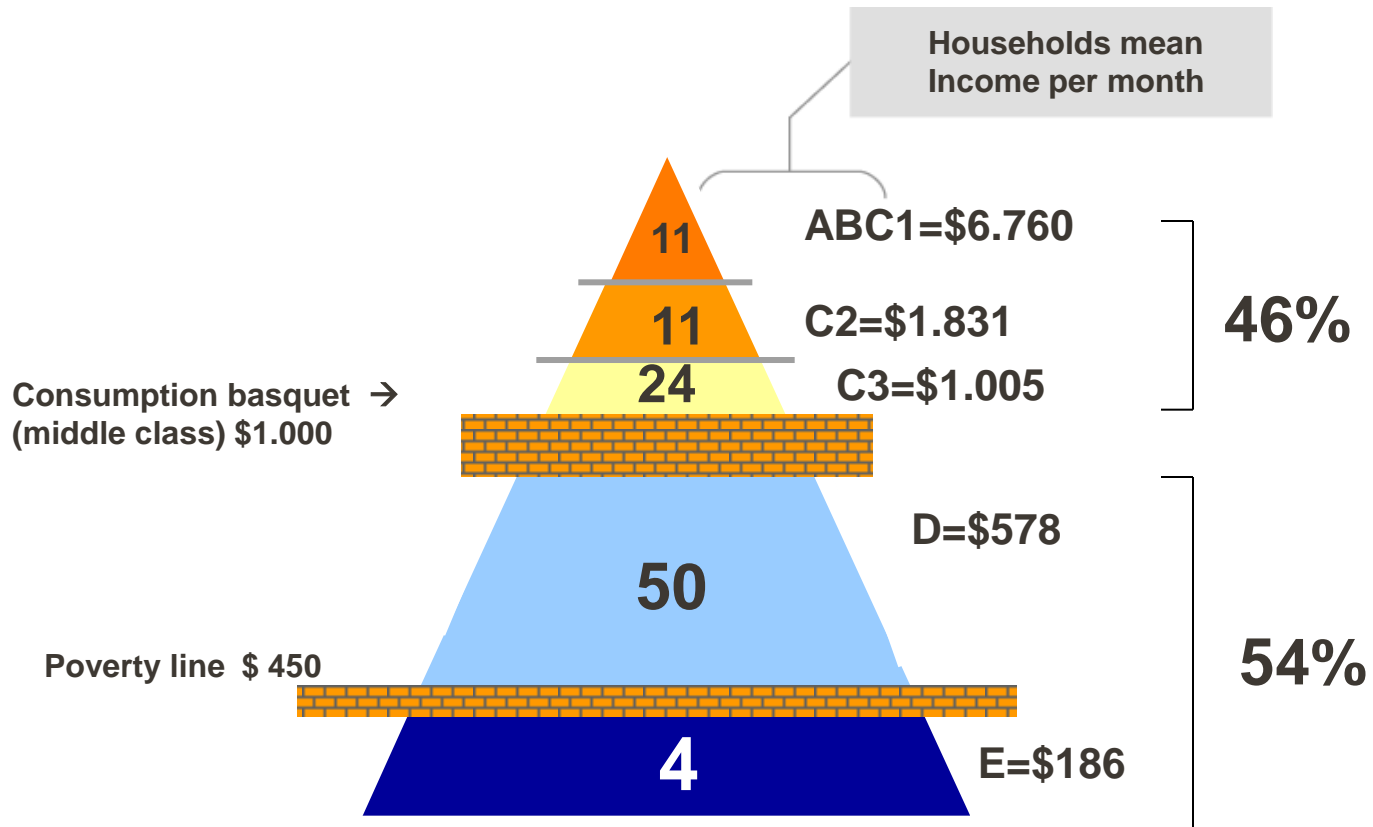
Source: AAM, 1996 (Sample size: 2150 cases)

Social Economic Levels - 1996

	“CLASE”	%	
AB	Upper	11%	11%
C1	Upper Middle		
C2	Middle	11%	35%
C3	Lower Middle	24%	
D	Lower	50%	54%
E	Marginal	4%	

Source: AAM, 1996 (Sample size: 2150 cases)

Social Economic Levels 1996 (1 peso = 1 U\$D)



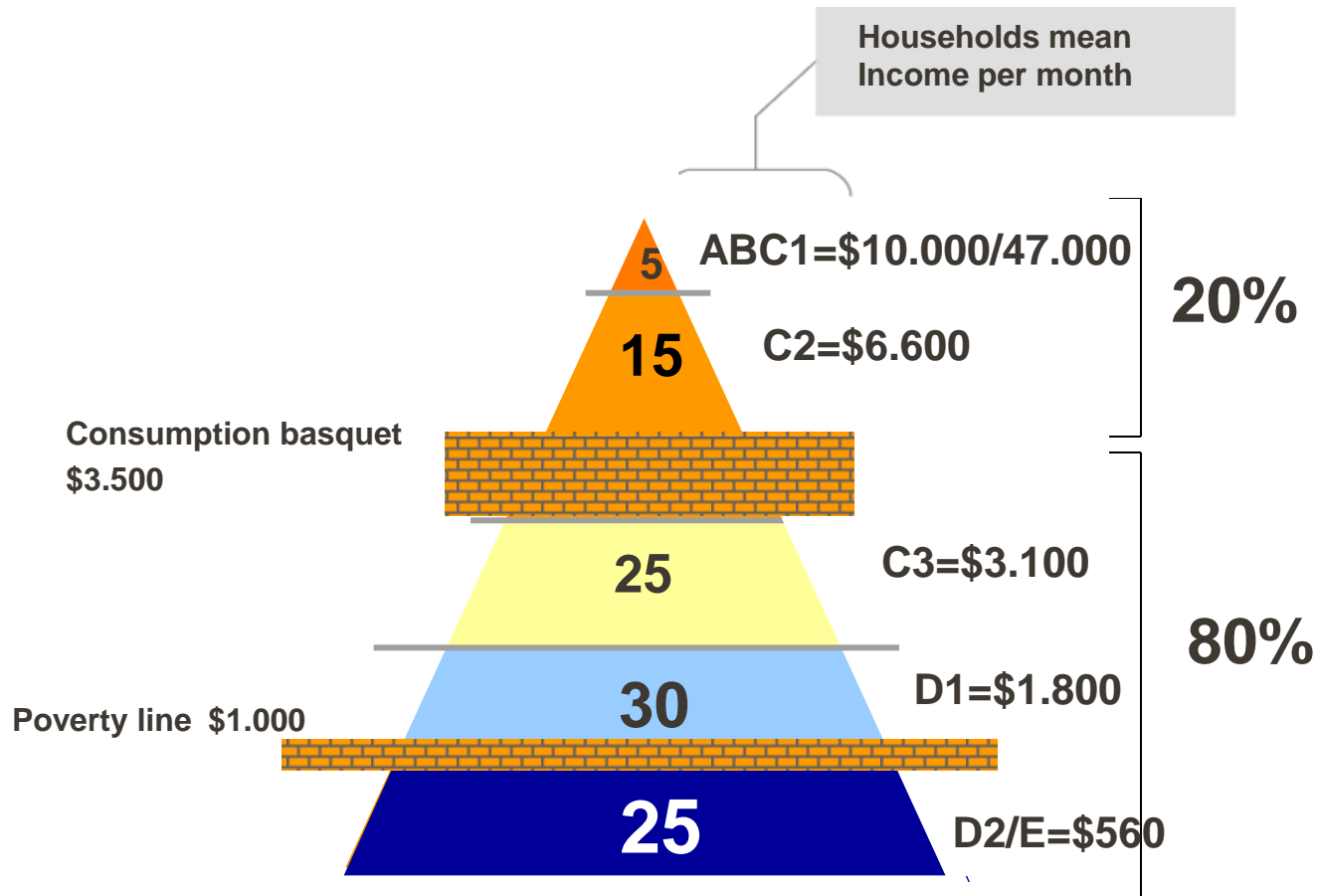
Source: CCR (Sample size: 5400 cases)

Social Economic Levels - 2007

	“CLASE”	%	
AB	Upper	5%	5%
C1	Upper Middle		
C2	Middle	15%	15%
C3	Lower Middle	25%	80%
D	Lower	30%	
E	Marginal	25%	

Source: CCR

Social Economic Levels 2007 (1 peso = 3.20 U\$D)



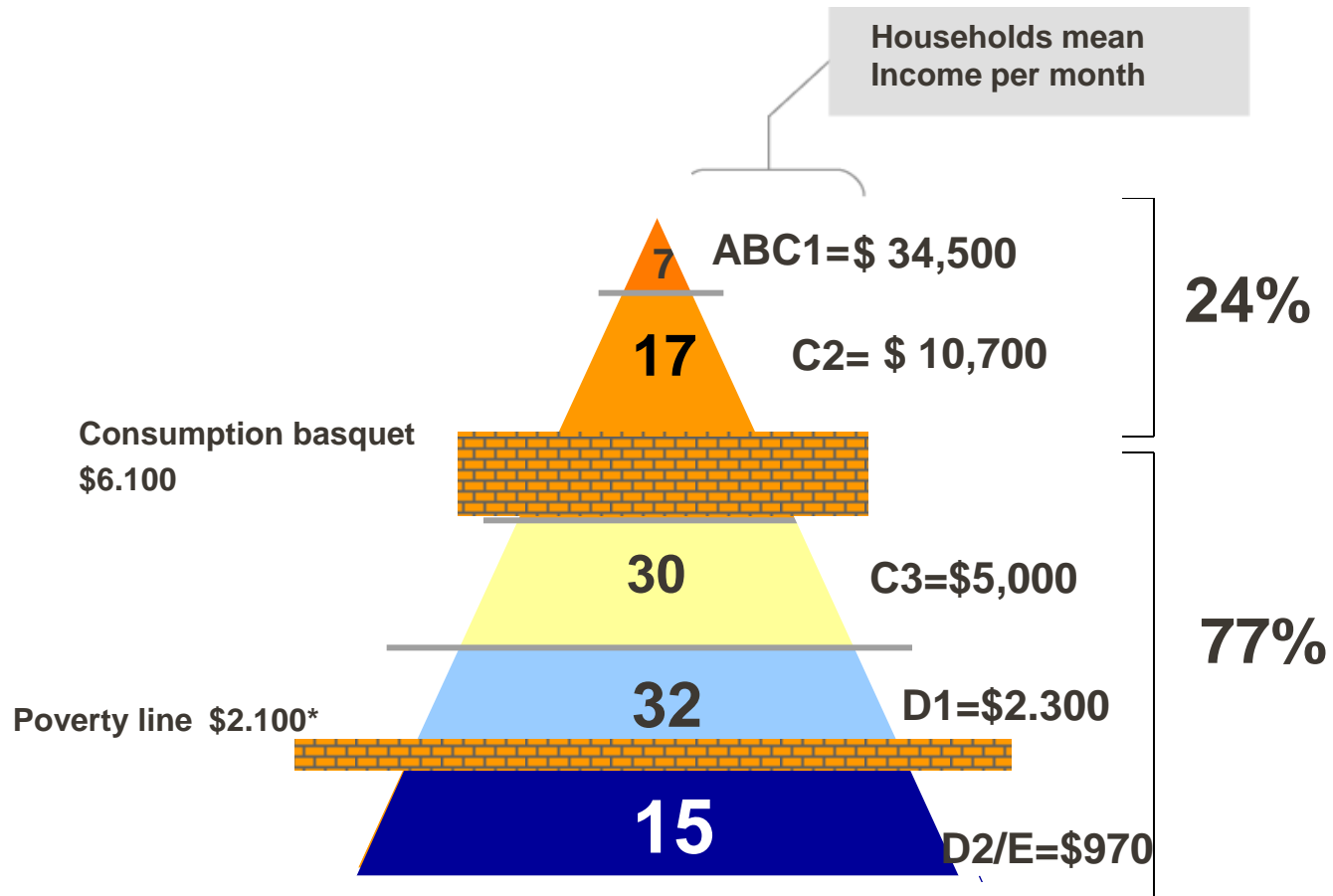
Source: CCR

Social Economic Levels - 2010

	"CLASE"	%	
AB	Upper	7%	7%
C1	Upper Middle		
C2	Middle	17%	17%
C3	Lower Middle	30%	77%
D	Lower	32%	
E	Marginal	15%	

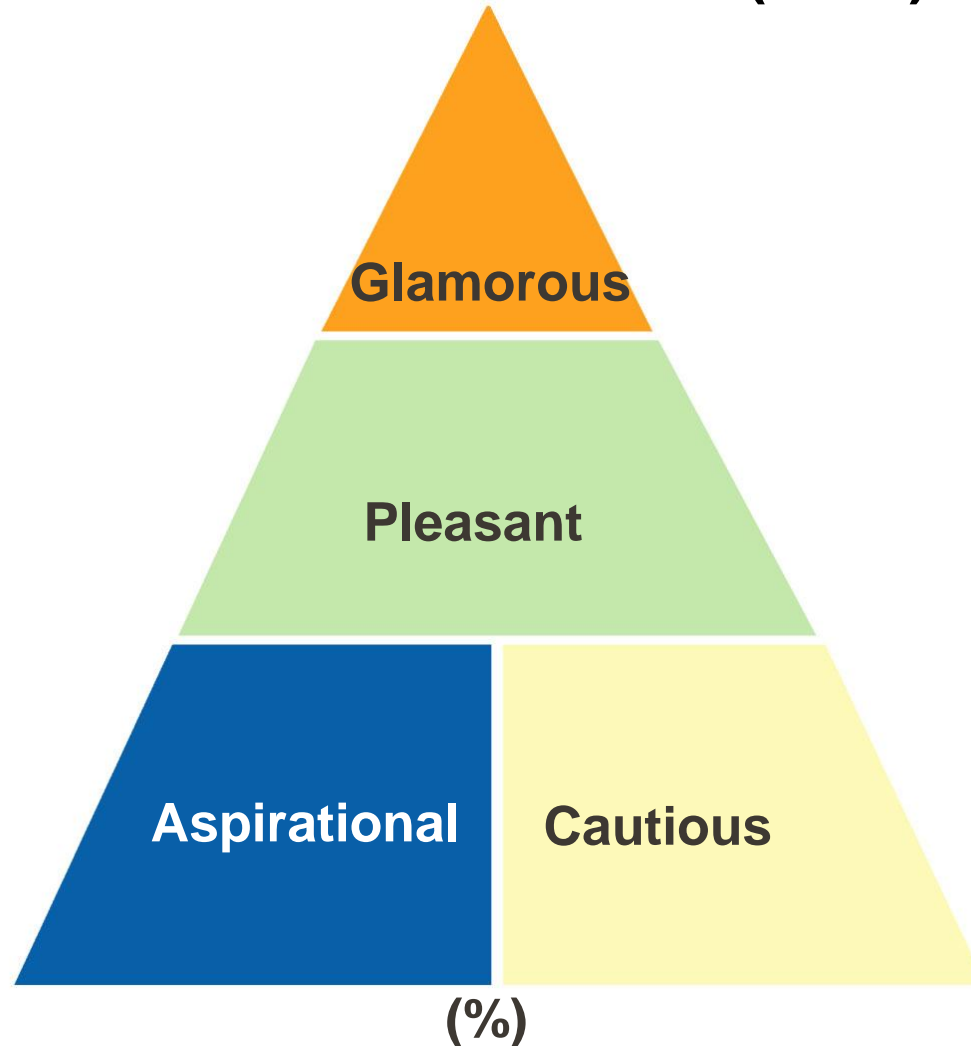
Source: CCR

Social Structure 2010 (1 peso = 3.80 U\$D)

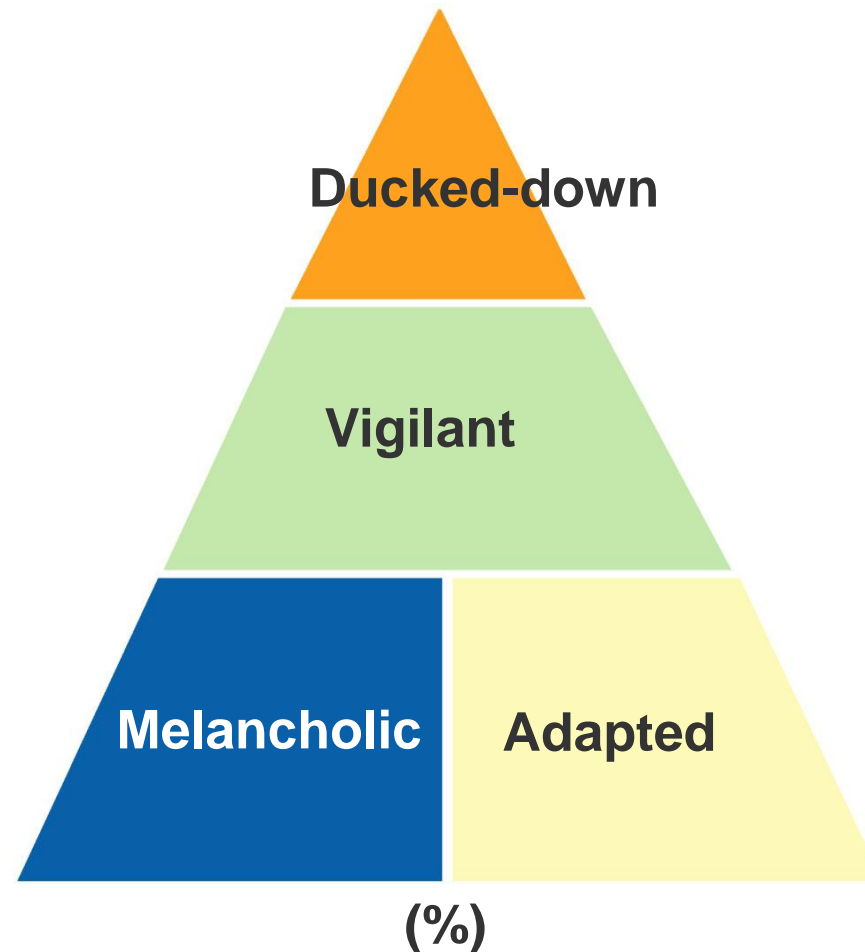


Source: Consultora W
*INDEC: \$1.750

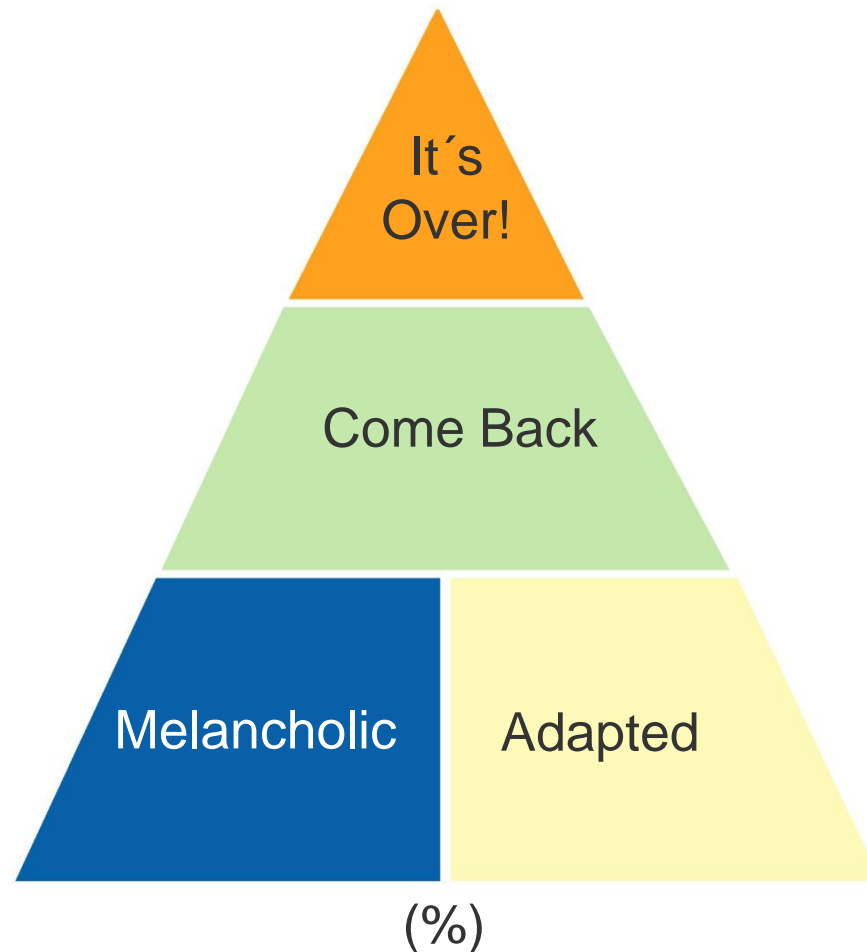
Lifestyles by Social Economic Level (1996)



Lifestyles by Social Economic Level (2002)



Lifestyles by Social Economic Level (2011)



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MYTH or MYTH-STAKES?



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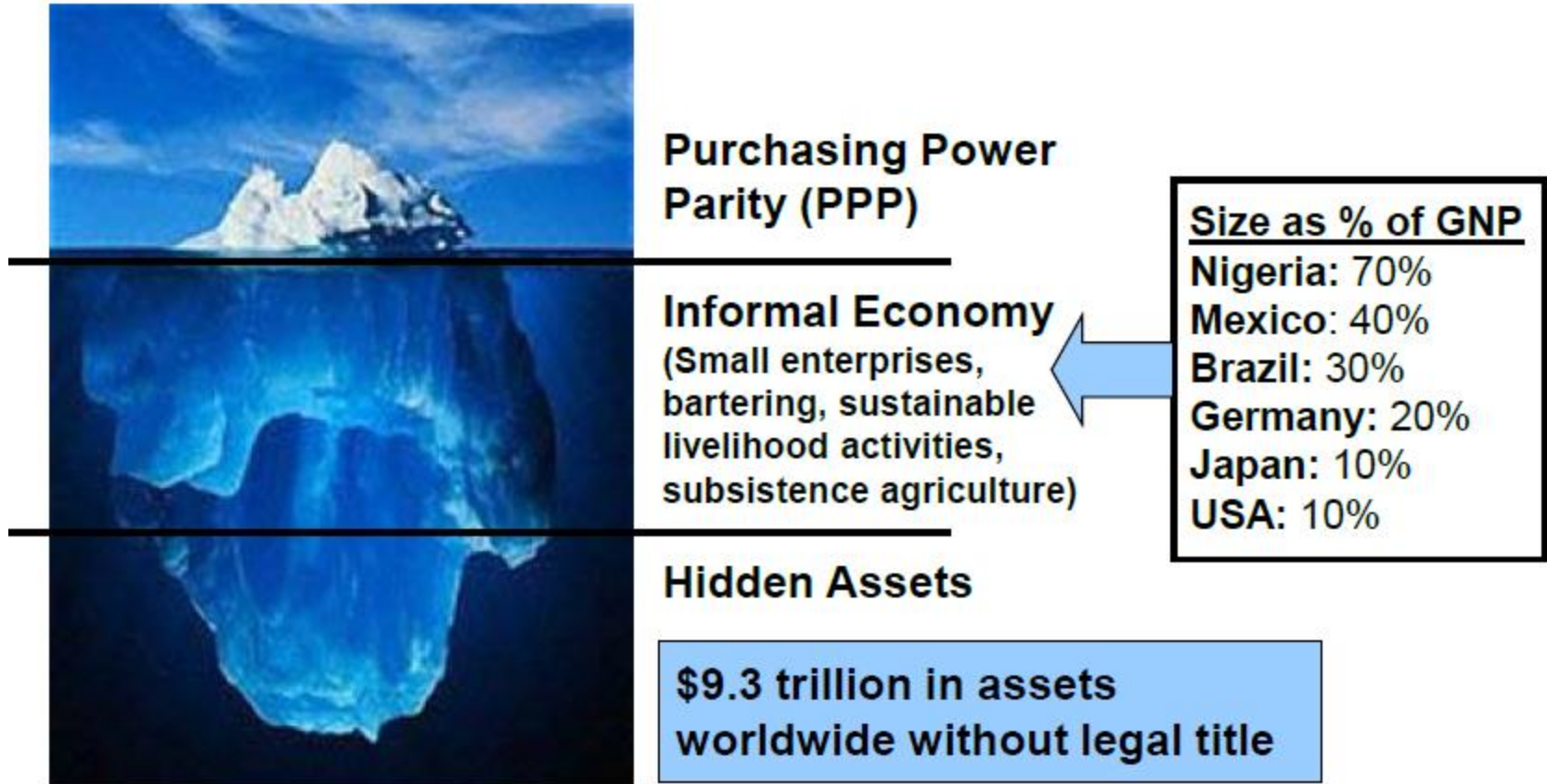
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Myths on the BoP

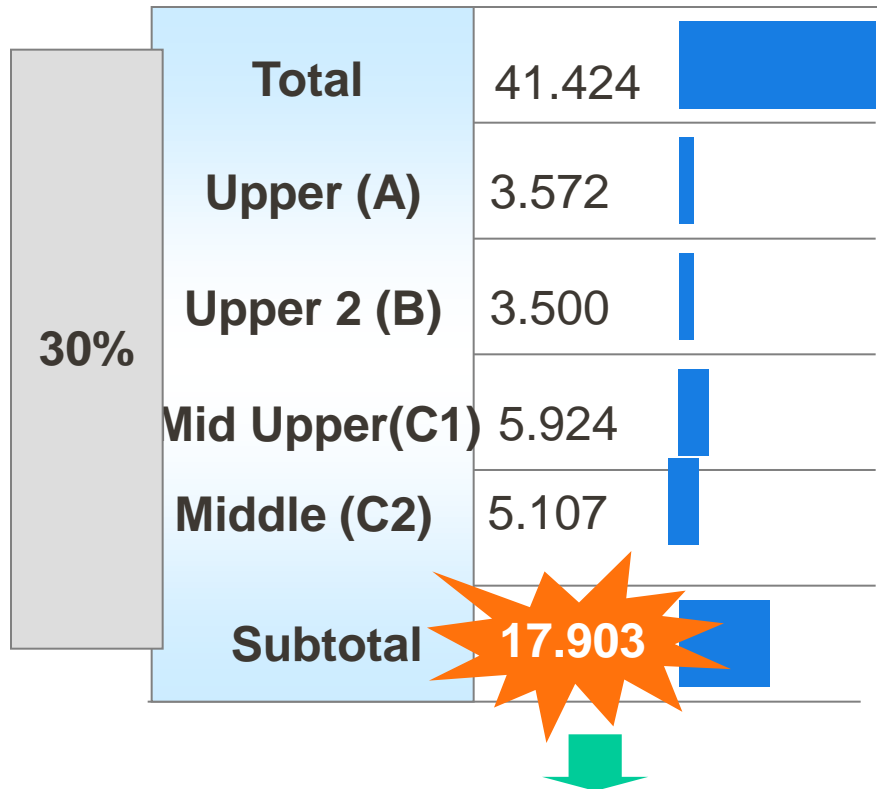
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- The poor dislike brands
- The poor are low-tech
- The poor are scattered

What's below the Formal Economy?



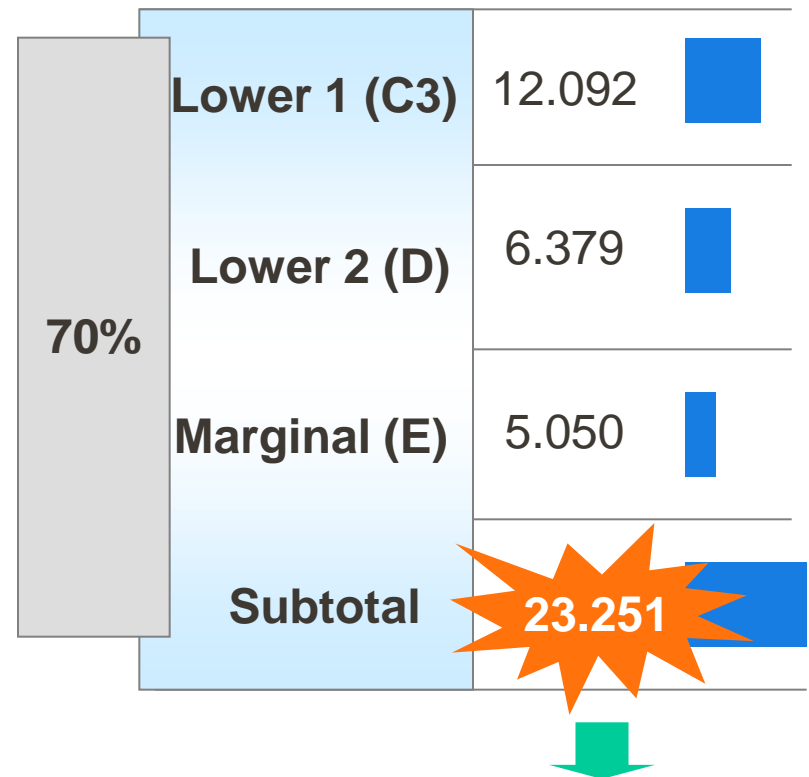
Source: de Soto, 2000

Size of Food mkt (In millions of \$ tax incl.)



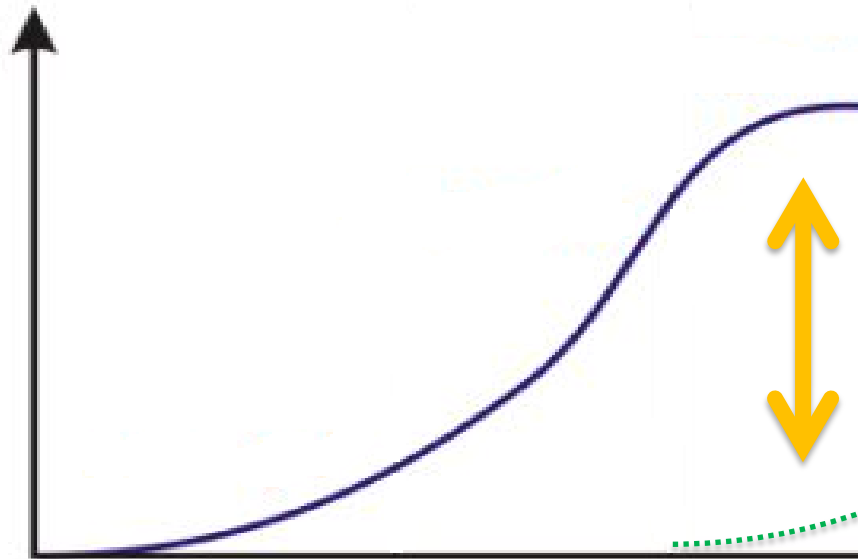
Source: AC Nielsen

43,2 %



56,8 %

Market potential

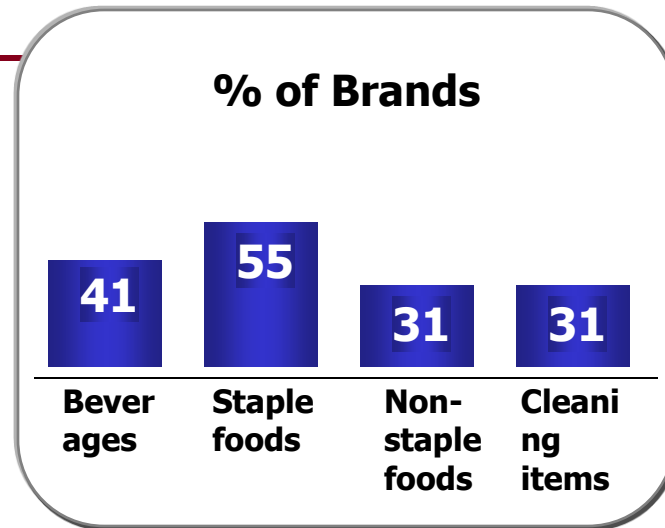
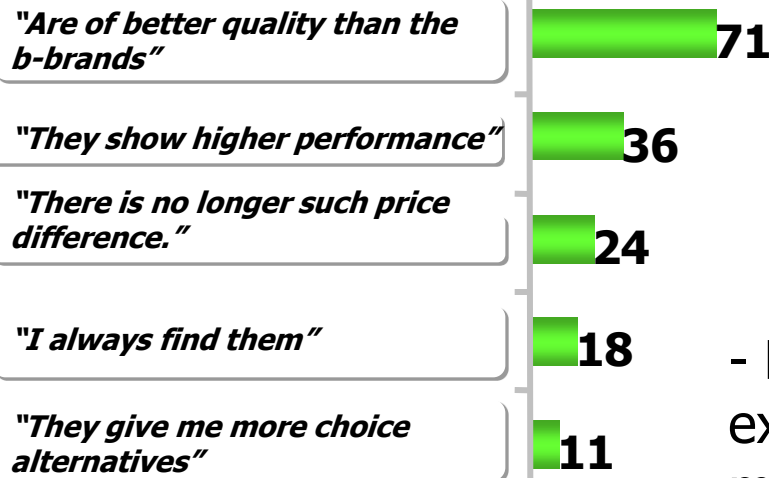


Myth-Stakes on the BoP

- The poor are **poor** → aggregated consumption value (60%) > upper-class (40%)
- The poor dislike brands
- The poor are low-tech
- The poor are scattered

Brands Situation

Reasons:



- New products, more expensive (up to 135% more) and still in constant growth.



Source: AC Nielsen, 2003



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Beyond Myths on the BoP

- The poor are poor → aggregated consumption value (60%) > upper-class (40%) → attractive market
- The poor dislike brands → value for money is particularly relevant in this segment → brands are guarantees thus need to understand the values of the segment
- The poor need low-tech → frog leaping → rather than watered-down solutions use high-tech to reach the segment
- The poor are scattered → current distribution systems were designed for urban upper-classes → need to re-design distribution systems

Video Cases



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Casas Bahia

Access

Social Economic Factors

Culture
Social Class → **informal**
Group of Reference
Family
Rol → **head of household**

Psychological Factors

Beliefs → **I can't/this is not for me**
Experience
Personality traits

Consumer's Perception

Influence the

Buying Behaviour Process

Acknowledging need
Seeking Information
Identifying Alternatives
Evaluating Alternatives → **cortesy, credit, low prices, brands.**
Buying Decision
Post Sales Experience → **delight**

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Cemex

Social Economic Factors

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Psychological Factors

Beliefs → **too complex**
Experience
Personality traits

**Integral
Solution**


Consumer's Perception

Influence the

Buying Behaviour Process

Acknowledging need
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Evaluating Alternatives → **full project, credit, advice,
can pay in the USA**
Buying Decision
Post Sales Experience → **delight**

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Social Economic Factors

Culture
Social Class → **informal**
Group of Reference
Family
Rol → **Shakti Ama**

Psychological Factors

Beliefs → **all products are the same**
Experience
Personality traits

Superior Product

Consumer's Perception

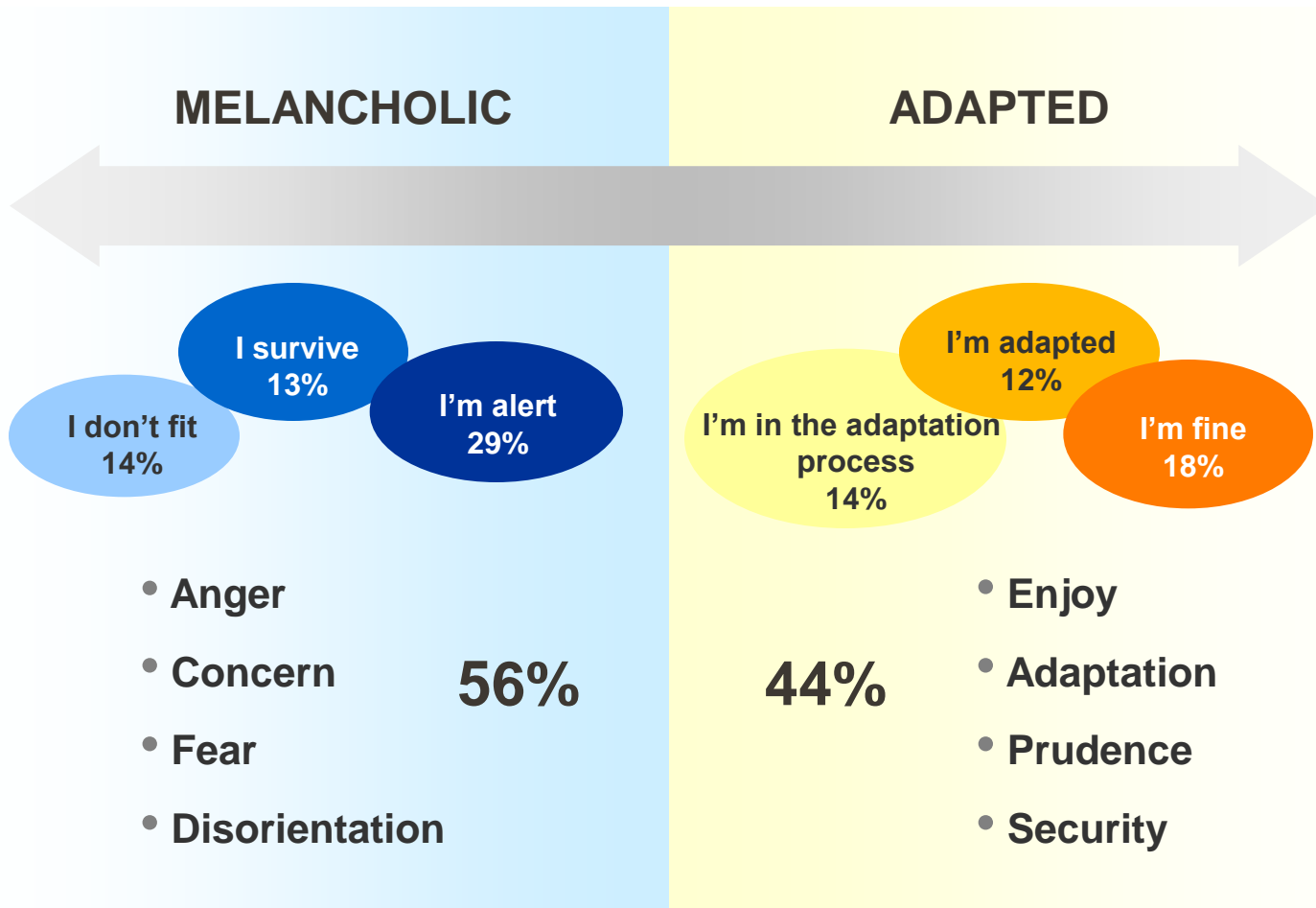
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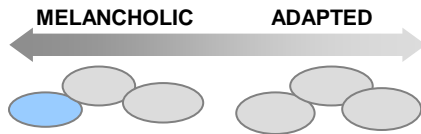
Acknowledging need
Seeking Information
Identifying Alternatives
Evaluating Alternatives → **a superior product at a cheaper price**
Buying Decision
Post Sales Experience → **delight**

An Exercise





“I don't fit”



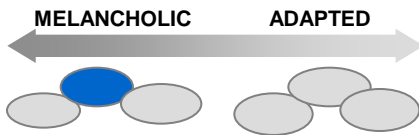
14%



2.093.075 million people
in Capital Federal
and Gran Buenos Aires

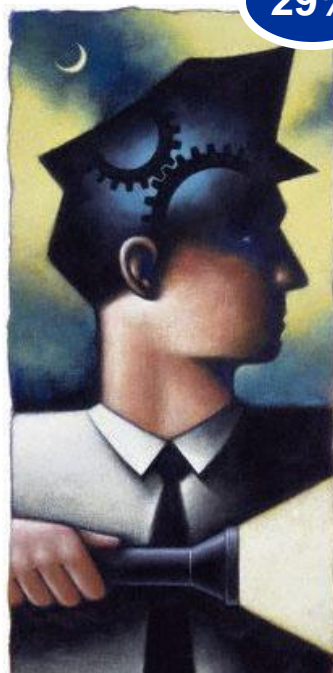
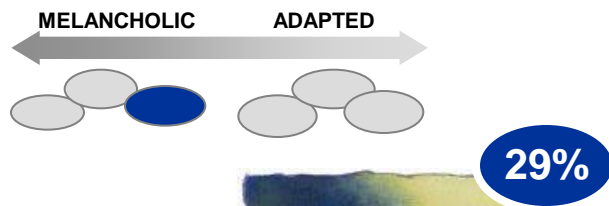
- As a consequence of the sudden lose of their pre-crises lifestyle, they feel lost, annoyed and sad.
- They are not adapted to their actual low income situation and they can't manage with what they earn.
- They are skeptic, insecure, without projects and living “day by day”.

“I survive”



- Their current situation produces sadness and anger, but they managed to overcome the situation.
- They are not afraid nor feel lost because they are very conscious of their situation and they know how to deal with it.
- They seemed optimistic towards their future. Although they live “day by day”, they are starting to think about future projects.

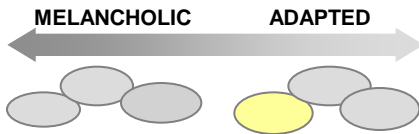
“I’m alert”



4.335.656 million people
in Capital Federal
and Gran Buenos Aires

- They are *the* average segment.
- They are in an emotional transition: they are neither sad / mad nor optimistic.
- They feel neither utterly lost nor have they completely adapted their consumer strategies.

“I’m in the adaptation process”



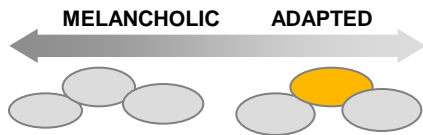
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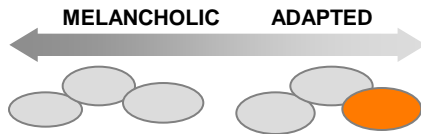
- They know they are not fine but they overcame this situation with optimism, desire to live and a lot of “energy”.
- They are conscious that their situation won’t change yet they grant themselves small pleasures.
- They are starting to consider new projects but remain with their feet on the ground.

“I’m adapted”



- This segment is emotionally very stable.
- They know they have lost their chance but they are optimistic for their children.
- They are in a very tight situation, however, they enjoy the small pleasures of life.
- They are optimist, make plans for the future yet are always realistic in their analysis.

“I’m fine”



18%



2.691.097 million people
in Capital Federal
and Gran Buenos Aires

- This is the segment that is happy.
- They know that they need to be careful but they don't feel they are badly off.
- They enjoy life.
- They look into the future, have dreams and projects (both for themselves and their children).

**Choose a product/service category and
one segment.**

**Using the data provided define a
marketing strategy for it.**