2008 ISAAA Report on Global Status of Biotech/GM Crops

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– the fourth largest bank in Spain based in the maize growing area of the country where Bt maize is successfully grown – the largest area of Bt maize in the EU
Global Area of Biotech Crops, 1996 to 2008: Industrial and Developing Countries (M Has, M Acres)

Source: Clive James, 2009
Global Area of Biotech Crops, 1996 to 2008: By Crop (Million Hectares, Million Acres)

Source: Clive James, 2009
Global Adoption Rates (%) for Principal Biotech Crops (Million Hectares, Million Acres), 2008

Source: Clive James, 2009
*14 biotech mega-countries growing 50,000 hectares, or more, of biotech crops.
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An “apparent” increase of 9.4% or 10.7 million hectares between 2007 and 2008, equivalent to a “real” increase of 15% or 22 million “trait hectares”

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