

Chemicals in Argentina



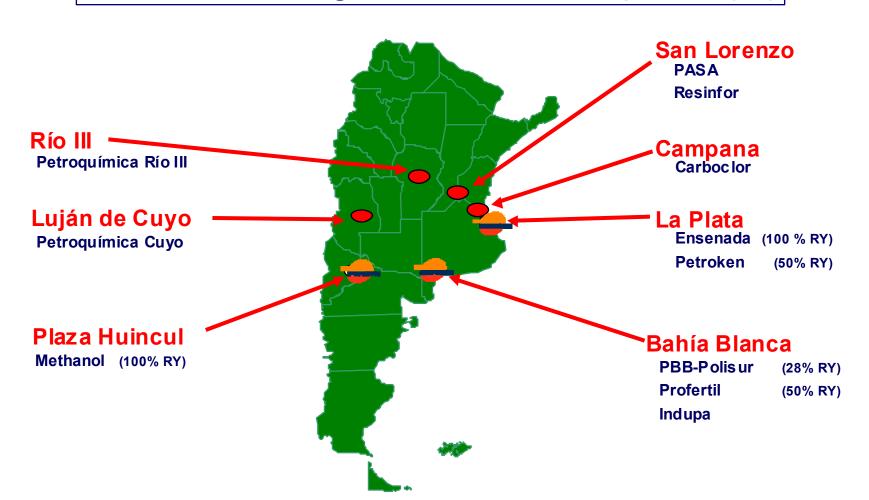


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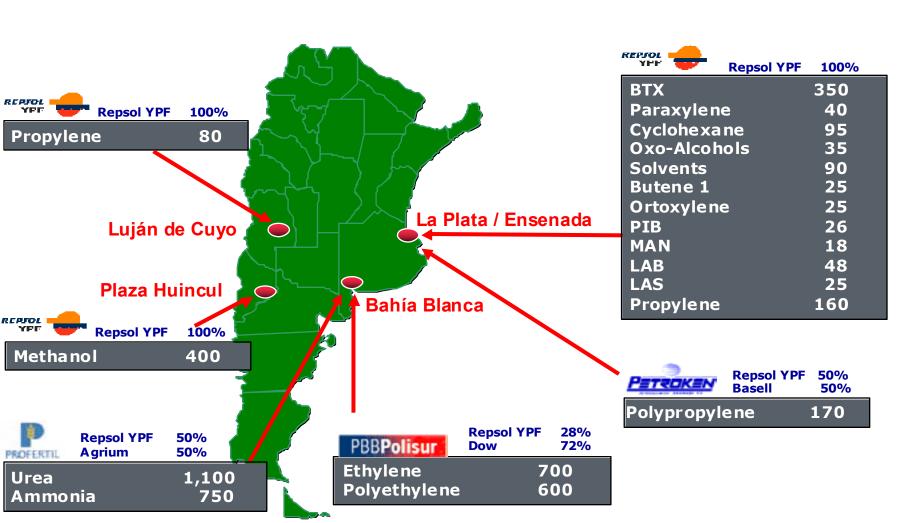


Chemical Sites in Argentina: Presence of Repsol YPF (RY)





Business Overview – Production Capacities (Kt/y)



Business Overview - Strategic Alliances





Agrium 50%



50%



Products: Urea and Ammonia

Raw Material: Natural Gas (50% Repsol YPF)

1,100,000 t/y Urea Capacity:

750,000 t/y Ammonia

Sales: 140 US\$ million

Management: Both shareholders jointly

Business Overview - Strategic Alliances











Products: Polypropylene Homopolymer

Raw Materials: Propylene (70% Repsol YPF)

• Capacity: 170,000 t/y

Sales: 116 US\$ million

Management: Basell

Business Overview - Strategic Alliances







72%



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28%



Products: Ethylene / HDPE/LDPE/LLDPE

Raw Materials: Ethane from MEGA

Capacity: 700,000 t/y ethylene

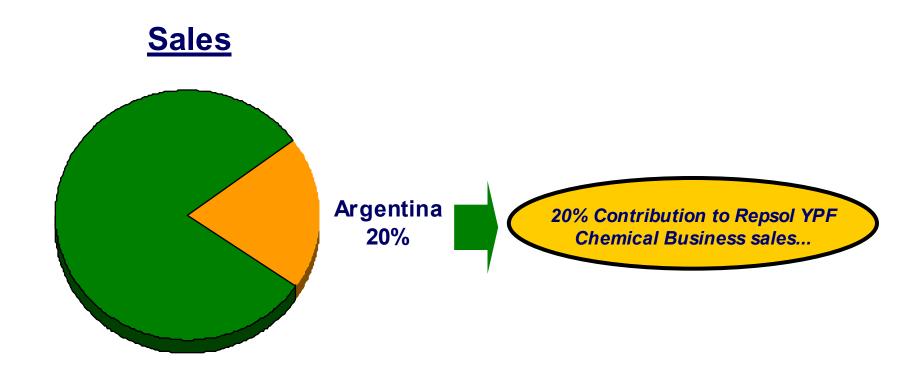
600,000 t/y polyethylene

Sales: 385 US\$ million

Management: Dow



Business Overview - Contribution to Repsol YPF Chemicals Business (2002)





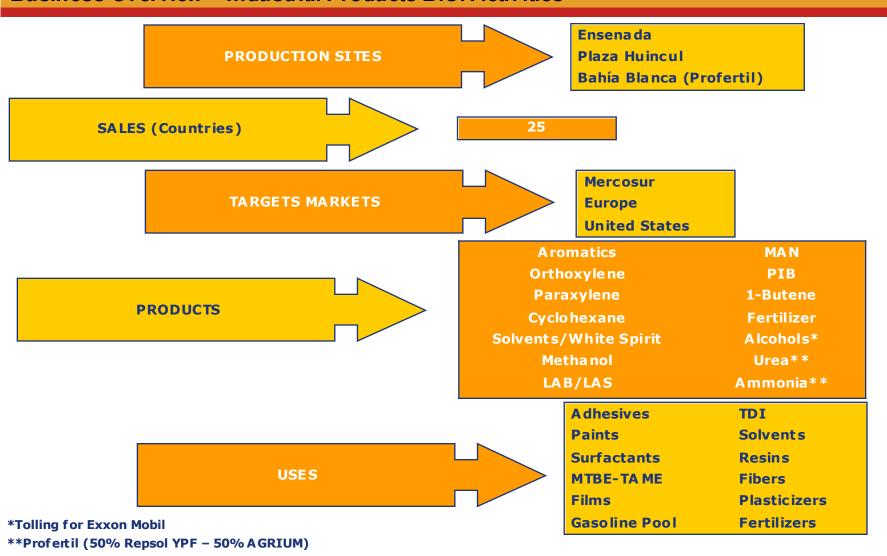


Highlights (*)		2002
Sales Volume	[Kt]	1,091
Operating Revenues	[US\$ million]	439
Operating Income	[US\$ million]	59
Operating Cash Flow	[US\$ million]	90
Employees		534

^(*) Ensenada, Methanol, YPF Fertilizantes and 50% Profertil



Business Overview - Industrial Products B.U. Activities





Business Overview - Industrial Products B.U. Sales Growth



Without LPG, Alcohols, MTBE and TAME.

Business Features - Product Portfolio

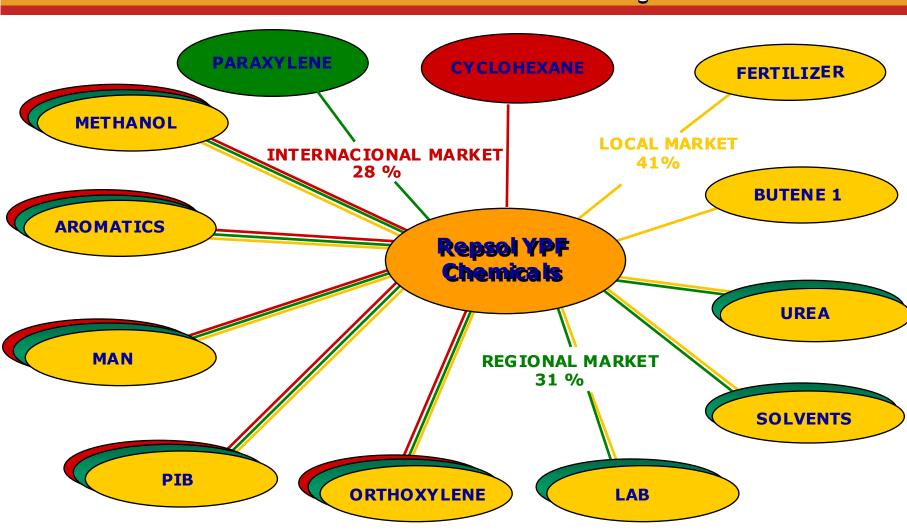


Commodities vs Specialties

Product	Type
LAB / LAS PIB Maleic Anhydride Solvents Oxo alcohols Butene 1	Specialties 10%
Cyclohexane Paraxylene Ortoxylene Urea Methanol BTX	Commodities 90%

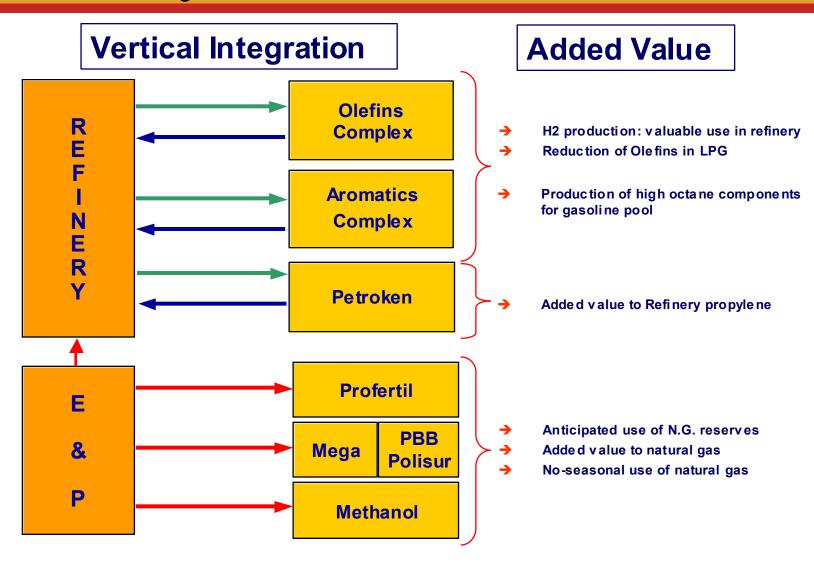


Business Features - Industrial Products B.U. Product Marketing



Business Features - Integration







Business Features - Operating Excellence - Savings

Savings 2001-2003

Unit: K€

Actual	Actual	Target
2001	2002	2003
3,743	4,191	3,595

Main savings achieved through:

- Operating performance improvements.
- Improvements in maintenance and engineering.
- Service contract renegotiation.
- Task reallocation.





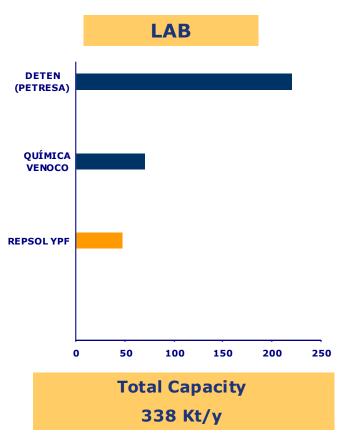
	Local Positioning	Regional Positioning	Global Positioning
Profertil (Urea)	* * *	* * *	* *
LAB/LAS	* * *	* * *	* *
Aromatics	* * *	* *	*
Methanol	* * *	* *	*
Bute ne 1	* * *	*	*
Solvents / White Spirit	* * *	* *	*
MAN	* * *	* *	*
PIB	* *	* *	*
Oxo - Alcohols	* *	*	*

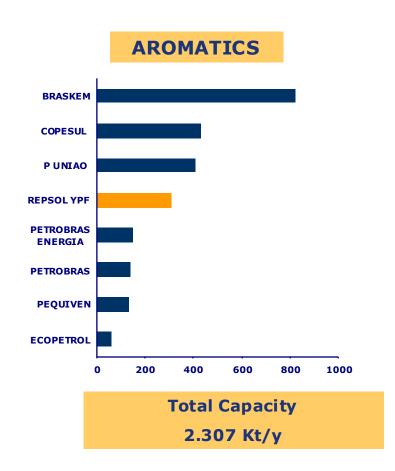
Business Positioning at Regional level



South America

(Kt/y 2002)



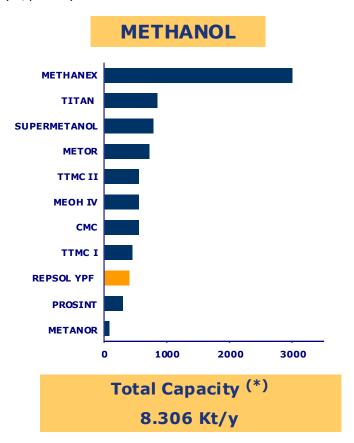


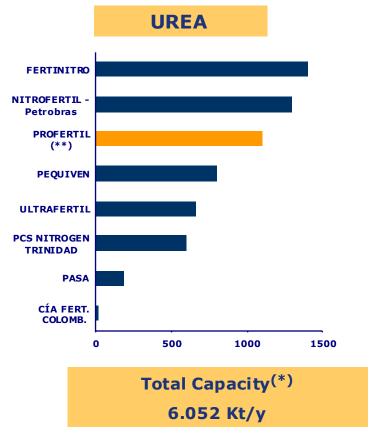
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(*) Trinidad and Tobago plants included (**) 50% Repsol YPF - 50% Agrium

Main Businesses





- Vertical integration with E & P (natural gas).
- Added value and early consumption of natural gas.
- Partnership with Agrium, the world's leader in fertilizers.
- World-scale plant / Low costs / Competitiveness.
- Strong and growing position in domestic market.
- Good geographic and logistic position for target markets.
- First quartile position in world urea producers margins.



LAB - LAS

- Vertical integration with Refinery (Kerosene and Sulfur).
- High and stable margins.
- Sole LAB and biggest LAS domestic producer.
- Low production cost.
- Strong positioning in both domestic and regional markets.





Methanol

- Vertical integration with E & P (natural gas).
- Added value and early consumption of natural gas.
- Low production costs.
- Strong position in the domestic market.

Conclusion



Profitability throughout the petrochemical business cycle



- Strong integration with E & P and Refineries.
- Excellence in operations, cost leadership
- Focused on domestic and regional markets.
- Product portfolio based on commodities. Selective growth in products with competitive advantages.