

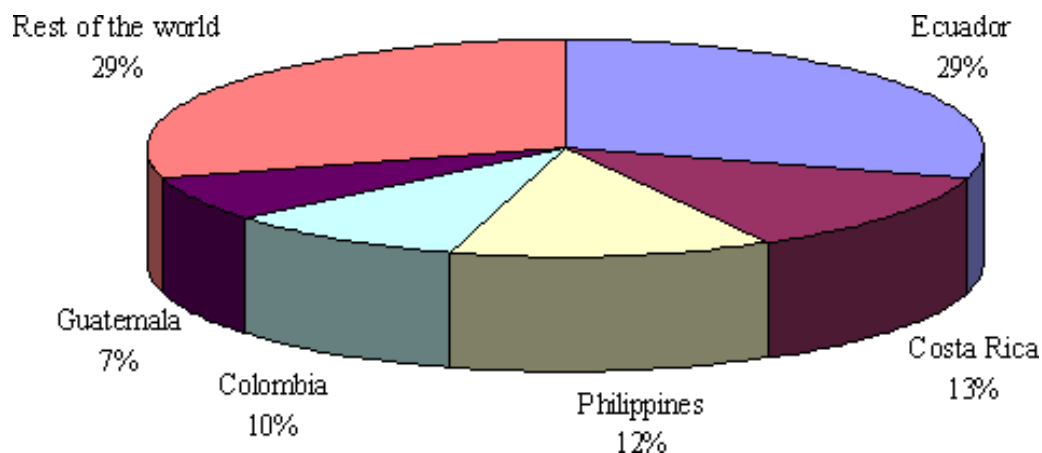


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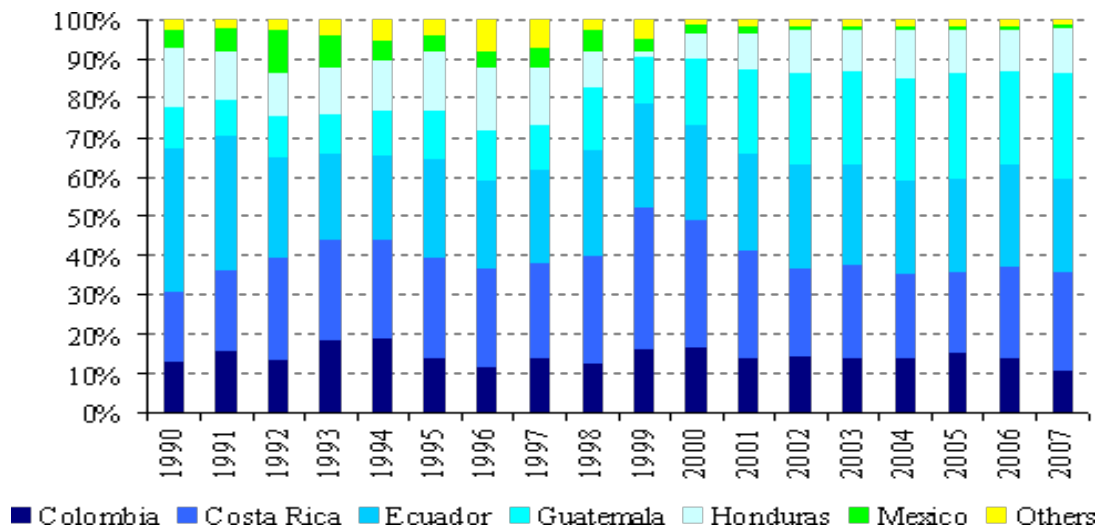
Source A: Pedro Arias, Pascal Liu, Cora Dankers, and Paul Pilkauskas, charts of Latin American banana production, "The World Banana Economy," 2003

Distribution of the World Banana Exports - Average for the 2002-2006 Period



Latin America and the Caribbean supplied about 70% of world's banana exports in 2006. The four leading banana-exporting countries in 2006 (Ecuador, Costa Rica, Philippines, and Colombia) accounted for 64% of world exports with Ecuador alone providing more than 30% of global banana exports.

Geographical Distribution of USA Banana Imports, 1990-2007



UNCTAD Secretariat from COMTRADE statistics

North American banana imports come mainly from Central and South America on an open market basis, that is, with no tariff (tax) or quantitative restrictions.

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Source B: Outline map of Central and South America

Outline Map of Central and South America

NOTE: Using the map on the following page and the information from Source A, students should identify and label the six (6) countries in Central and South America where most of the bananas imported into the United States are grown.

Central and South America

