

# Model Inputs/Parameters

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# Input Categories

- Market
- Production
- Environment (Weather, Water and Land)
- Logistics
- Cost and Commodity

# MARKET

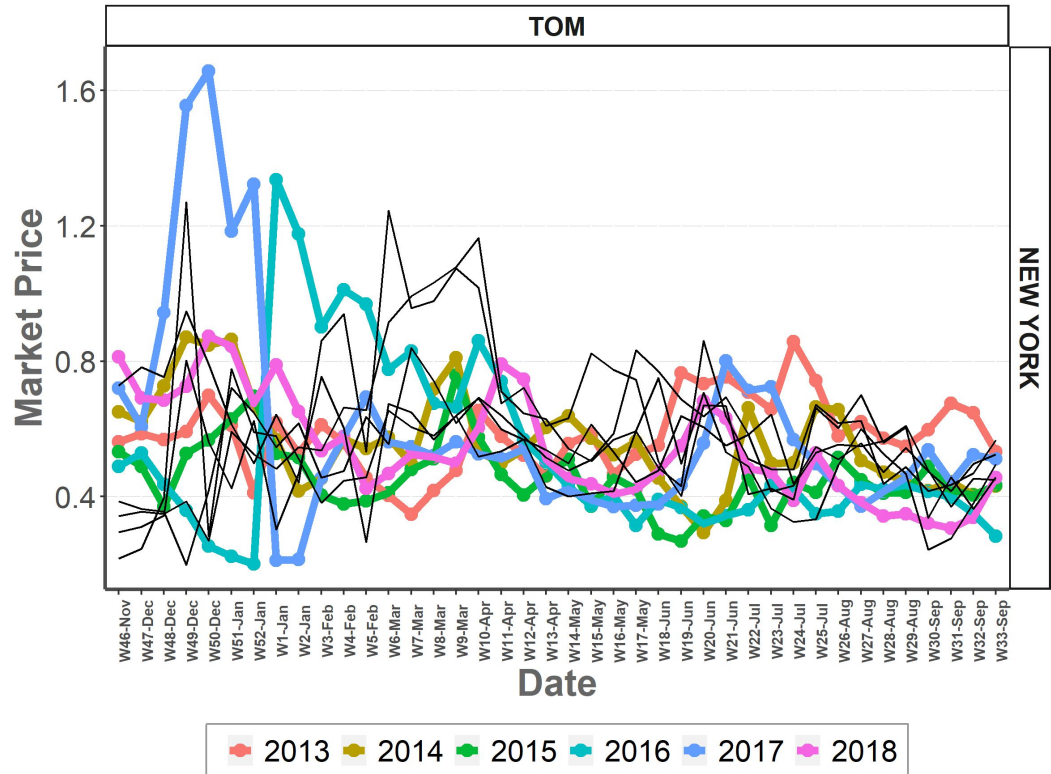


- Prices
- Volumes
- Demand Calendar

# Prices

## Markets

- Chicago
- Boston
- Atlanta
- New York
- Philadelphia
- Columbia
- Pittsburgh

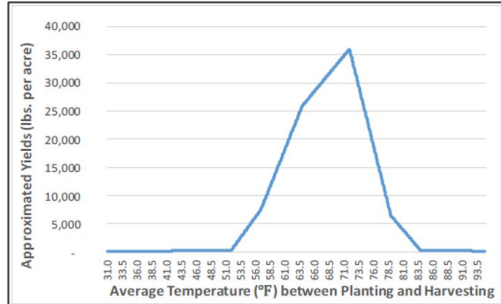


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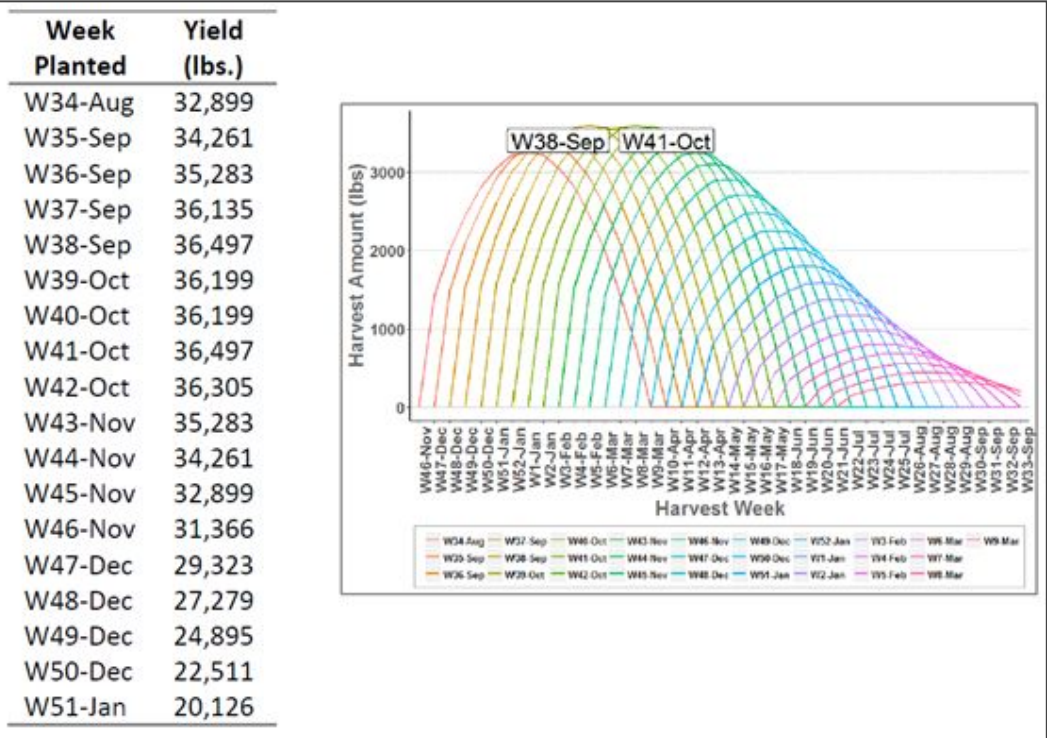


- Crop Requirements
- Quality Demanded
- Technology Effect
- Water Requirements
- Yields

# Yields



| Temp (°F) | Yield (lbs) |
|-----------|-------------|
| 52        | 36          |
| 57        | 7,560       |
| 64        | 25,920      |
| 72        | 36,000      |
| 75        | 6,480       |
| 84        | 36          |

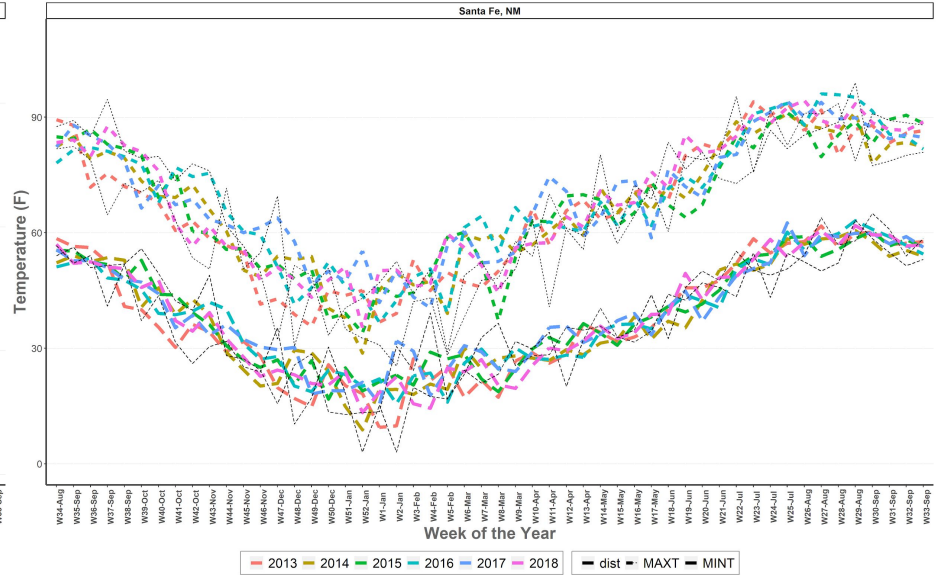
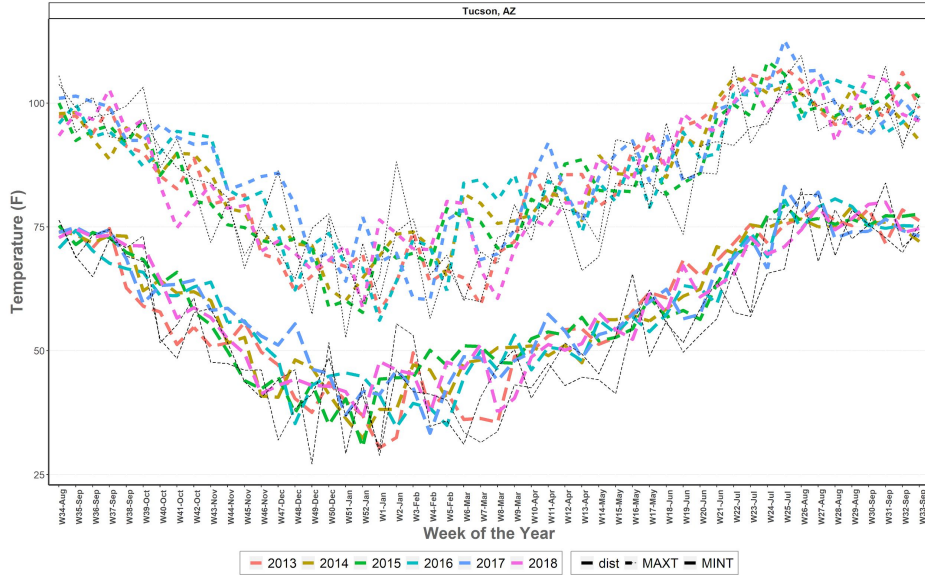


# ENVIRONMENT



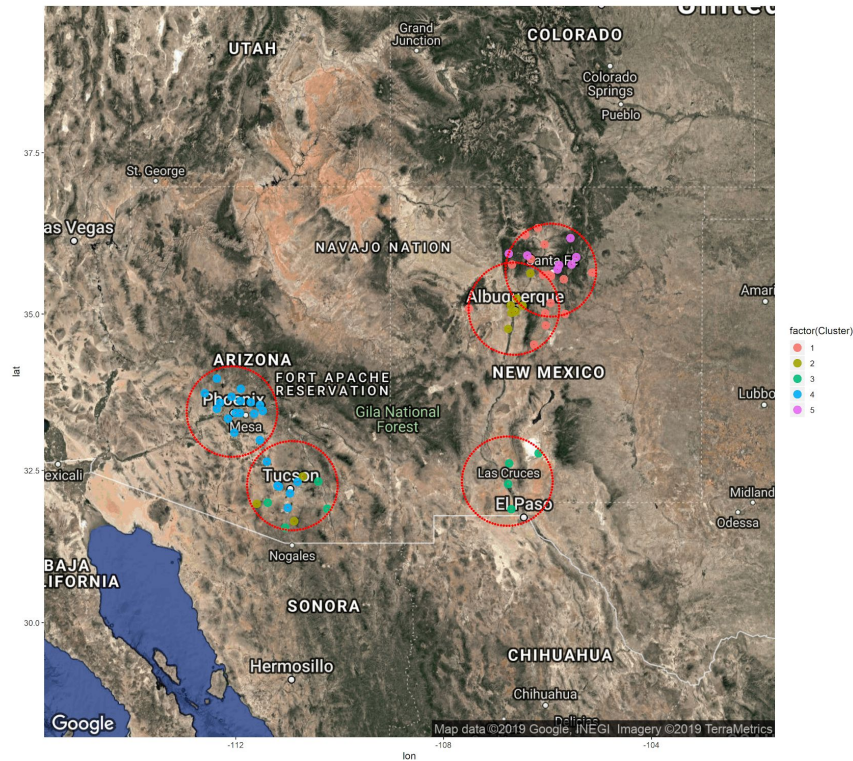
- Land Available
- Water Availability
- Weather
  - **Minimum Temperature**
  - **Maximum Temperature**
  - **Precipitation**

# Temperatures





# Clusters



# LOGISTICS



- Transportation costs, going from
  - **Zone to Customer**
  - **Zone to DC**
  - **Distributor to Customer**
  - **Local Transportation**
- Estimated time for arrival
- Locations
- Lead Time

## Logistics Costs

|                        | Cost    | Unit       |
|------------------------|---------|------------|
| Transportation (Truck) | \$2.603 | \$/lb/mile |
| Transportation (Air)   | \$0.50  | \$/lb/mile |
| Inventory at DC        | \$0.001 | \$/lb      |

### Locations

Phoenix, AZ

Tucson, AZ

Santa Fe, NM

Las Cruces, NM

Albuquerque, NM



# **COST & COMMODITY**



- Planting costs
- Water costs
- Technology costs
- Available Capital
- Package weight
- Crops considered
- Customers

## Planting and Technology Costs

| Crop        | Planting Cost per acre |
|-------------|------------------------|
| Tomato      | \$5,444                |
| Bell Pepper | \$9,914                |
| Lettuce     | \$7,496                |
| Green Beans | \$3,278                |
| Celery      | \$5,982                |
| Cauliflower | \$5,270                |

| Technology | Operational Costs |
|------------|-------------------|
| Controlled | \$625,000         |
| Protected  | \$336,000         |
| Open Field | \$5,611           |



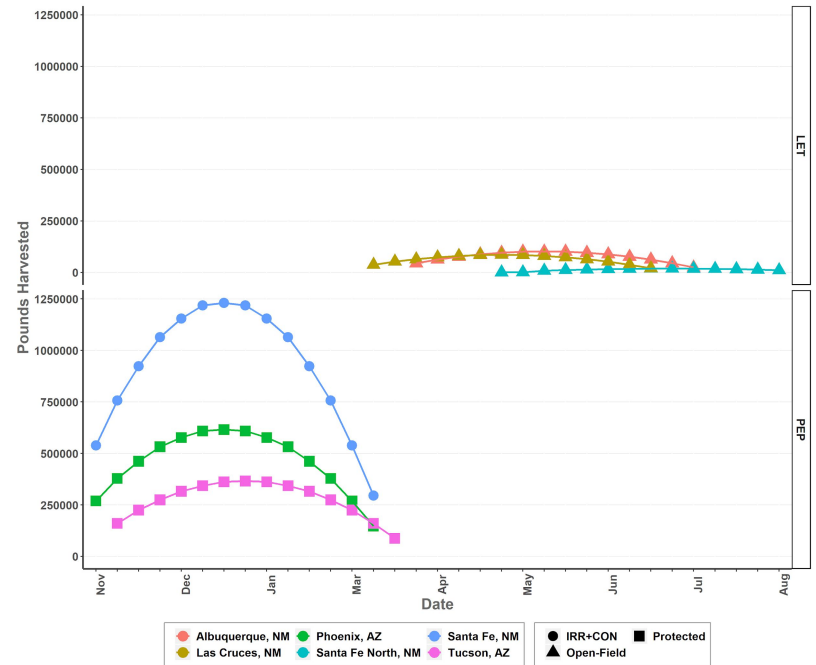
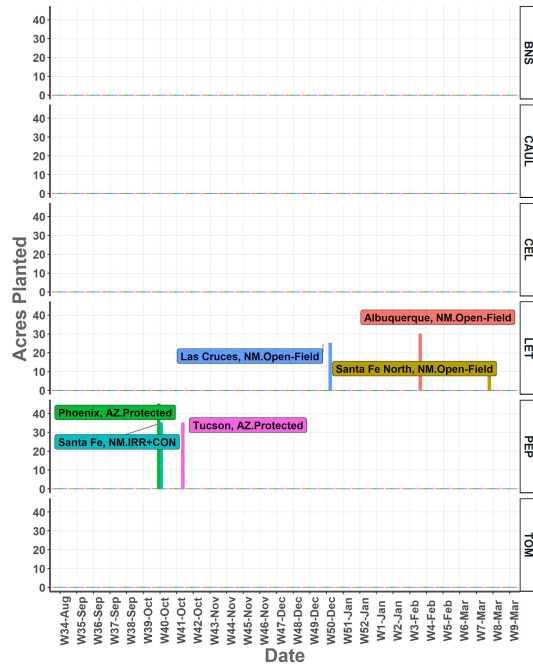
# Sources of previous Inputs?

- NOAA
  - Historical minimum and maximum temperatures and precipitation
- USDA
  - Historical crop prices and transportation costs
- Surveys
  - Production/planting cost, water requirement, trend analyses, technology cost, crops information (e.g. shelf life)

# Why do we need these Inputs?

- Implement the input into the planning tools that have been developed throughout the years
- Use this information to provide growers with critical decisions, such as what to plant in a specific zone.

# Output Based on this Information





# Overview of Process

