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Agenda

- Introduction to CEMEX
- The Cement Industry
- International Competition
- Expansion of CEMEX
- CEMEX in 2012





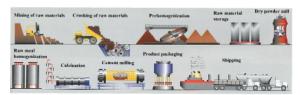
CEMEX

- Headquarters in Monterrey, Mexico
- Cement, ready-mix concrete, aggregates, other building materials
- Leading supplier of ready-mix concrete



The Cement Industry

Exhibit 1 How CEMEX Makes Cement



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- · Combine limestone, clay, and minerals at high temperature
- \bullet Grind the resulting "Clinker" with gypsum and the resulting powder is cement





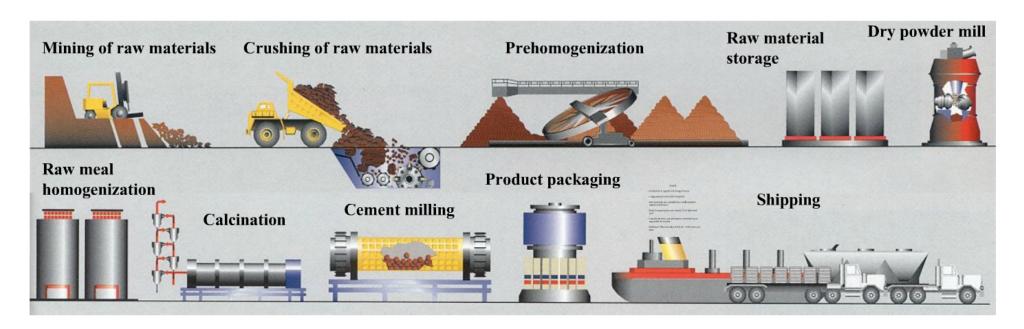
- Competition

 Cyclical demand, capital intensity, and a specialized product mean oversupply is dangerous
- · Basing Point pricing structure
- Other attempts at mitigating competition

Demand - A GDP of around \$20,000 per capita

- A high population density and a temperate climate
- Government expenditures in GDP · Cyclical variations for bulk demand
- Demand in developing economies tend to be less cyclical

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