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Do you think that you and I could come up with a cool derivate to make a ton of money and create an awesome solid waste crisis? There is a lot there and no one is exploiting it yet. I would say that there are a few solid pieces of the equation that would resonate with investors:

1. The antimony markets (required for PET production)
2. The cost of cotton (competes with polyester and inversely related...70% of PET becomes polyester, 30% becomes packaging)
3. Bottling targets for Coke, Pepsi and Danone (combined the world's largest PET pacakagers)

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How Goldman Sachs Created the Food Crisis

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Byline: Frederick Kaufman - Demand and supply certainly matter. But there's another reason why food across the world has become so expensive: Wall Street greed. It took the brilliant minds of Goldman Sachs to realize the simple truth that nothing is more valuable than our daily bread. And where there's value, there's money to be made. In 1991, Goldman bankers, led by their prescient president Gary Cohn, came up with a new kind of investment product, a derivative that tracked 24 raw materials...(need to get article, I just have clipping)