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The Availability of Input Data on the global level for Biophysical Process Modelling - Global EPIC

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Input Data Categories

- Climate
- Soil
- Topography
- Land Cover / Management Practice

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East Anglia data years 1901-2002

East Anglia scenario data 2001-2100 for 18 various scenarios

Monthly values in regular 0,5° grid:

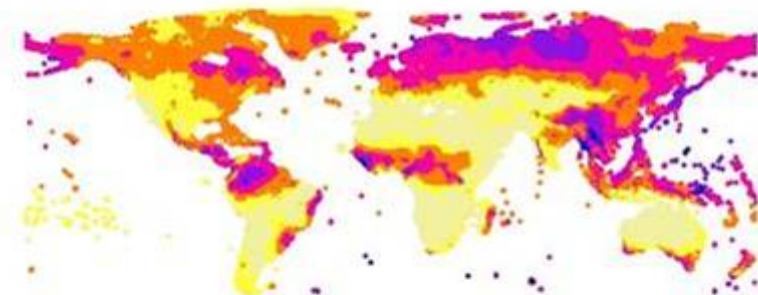
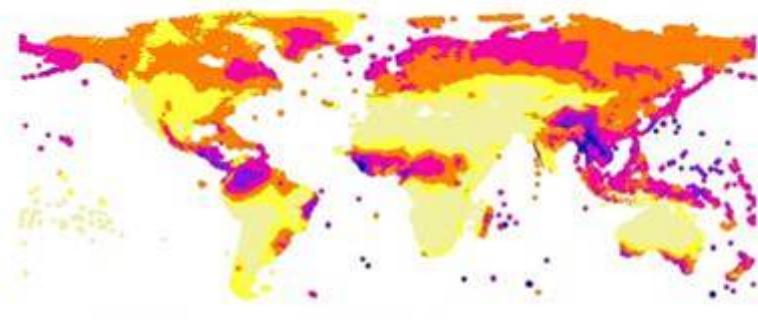
- Minimum temperature [°C]
- Maximum temperature [°C]
- Precipitation [mm]
- Cloud cover [%]
- Vapour pressure [hPa]
- Wet days [number per month] (*derived from precipitation*)
- Radiation [MJ/m²] (*derived from cloud cover*)

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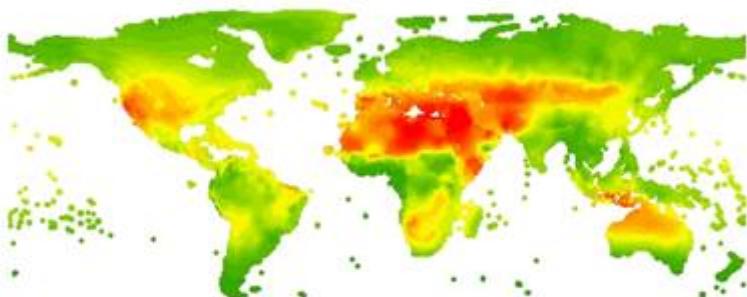
example: mean values for 100 years

Wet days in August

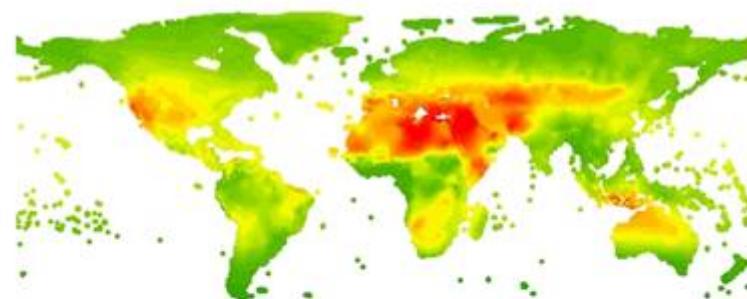


scenario PCM B1 [mean 2001 - 2100]

Radiation in August



east anglia [mean 1901 - 2002]



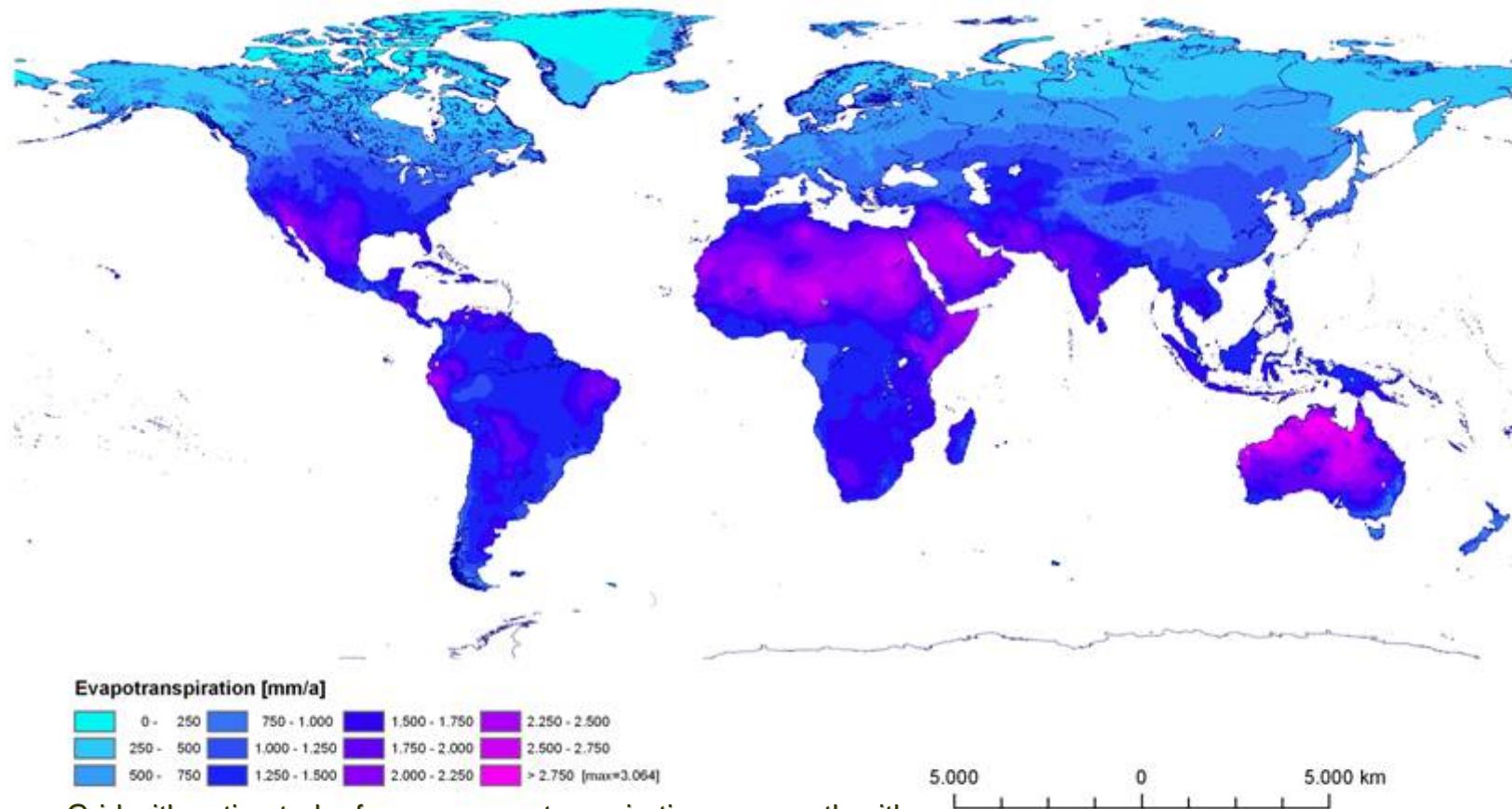
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Climate

Reference Evapotranspiration yearly and monthly; source: IIASA/FAO
(taken from East Anglia climate data)

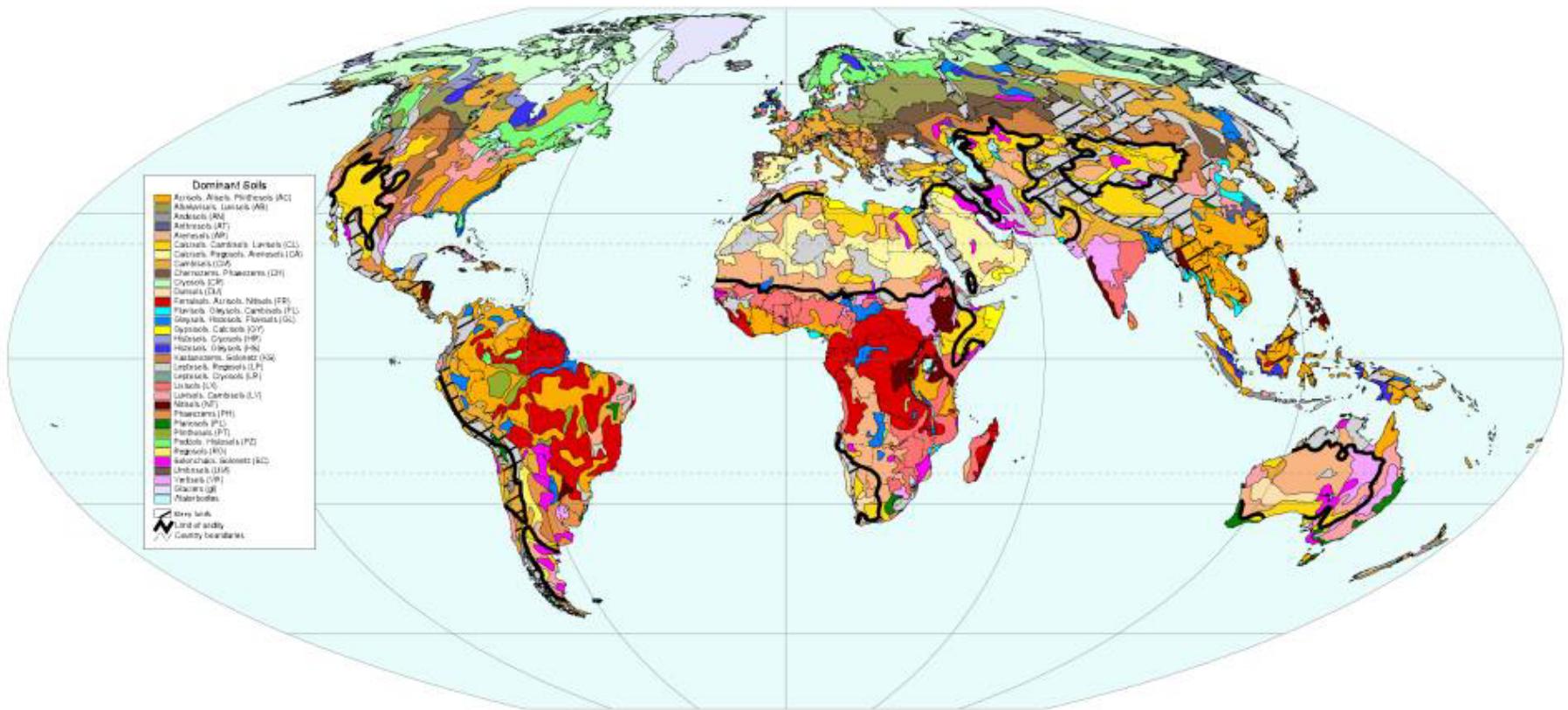


Grid with estimated reference evapotranspiration per month with a spatial resolution of 30 arc minutes. Data on reference evapotranspiration been prepared by IIASA for FAO for global agro-ecological assessment studies.

Crop evapotranspiration - Guidelines for computing crop water requirements
FAO - Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Rome, 1998

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<http://www.fao.org/ag/agl/agll/wrb/wrbmaps/htm/soilres.htm>

Projection Flat Polar Quartic
(Original scale 1:30 000 000 approx)
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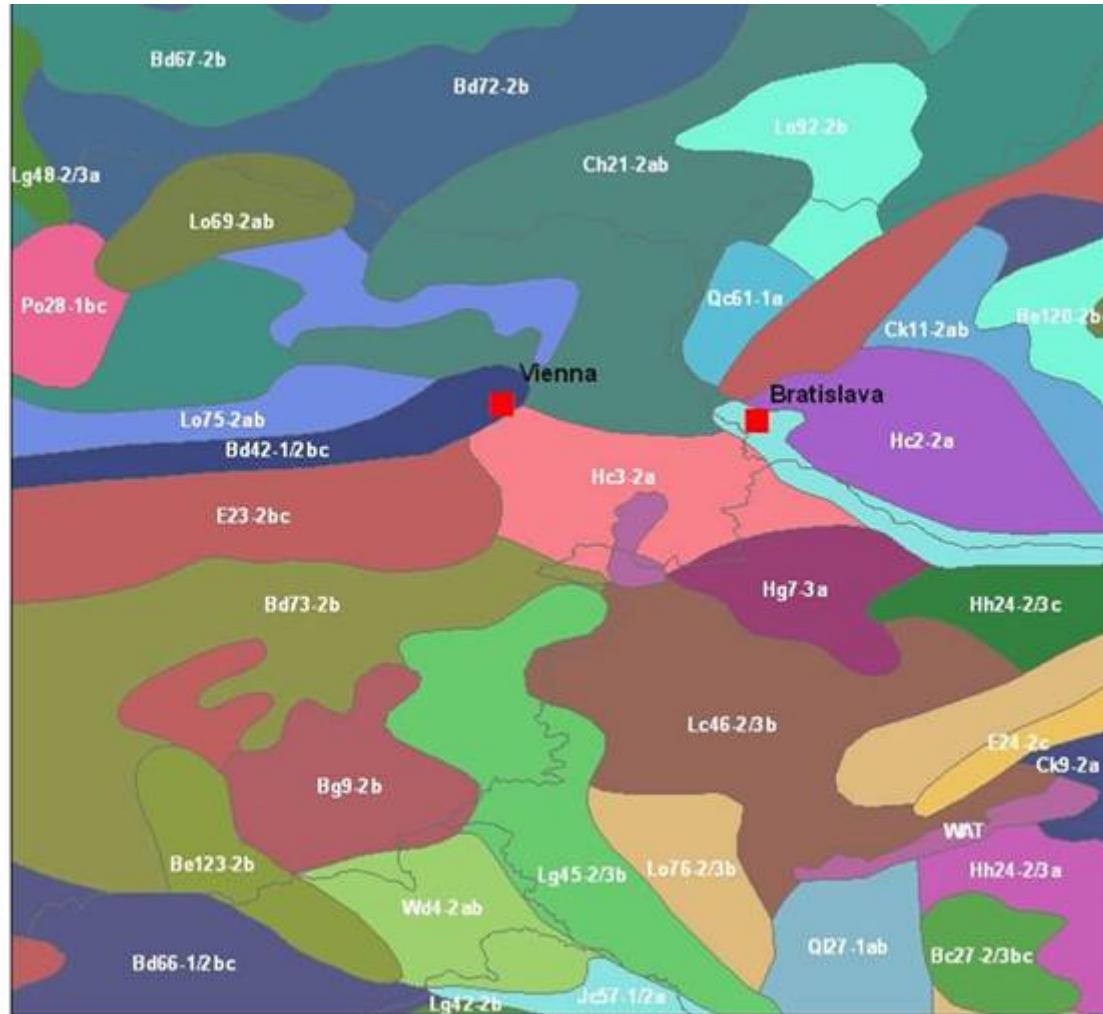
Ten major continental regions:

- Africa
- North America
- Central America
- South America
- Europe and West of the Ural
- Central and North East Asia
- Near East
- Far East
- South East Asia and
- Australasia

are available as ArcGIS vector files
with 4930 **soil map units** altogether

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Soil Map Units

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each **soil map unit** is subdivided in **dominant soil** **subdominant soil(s)** and (associated) inclusion soil(s)

for example:

Hc3-2a

calcaric phaeozems (Hc) 50%
gleyic phaeozems (Hg) 30%
calcaric fluvisols (Jc) 10%
calcaric regosols (Rc) 10%

Bd42-1/2bc

dystric cambisol (Bd)	40%
gleyic cambisol (Bg)	20%
eutric gleyosol (Ge)	20%
eutric cambisol (Be)	10%
orthic luvisol (Lo)	10%

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statistical weighted averages for physical and chemical parameters exist for each **soil unit** ; divided into top (0-30 cm) and sub (30-100 cm) soil.

- sand%top sand%sub
- silt%top silt%sub
- clay%top clay%sub
- pH2Otop pH2Osub
- OC%top OC%sub
- N%top N%sub
- BS%top BS%sub
- CECtop CECsub
- CECclaytop CECclaysub
- CaCO₃%top CaCO₃%sub
- BDtop BDsub
- C/Ntop C/Nsub

sand content
silt content
clay content
pH
organic carbon
nitrogen
base saturation
cation exchange capacity
cation exchange capacity clay
CaCO₃
bulk density
carbon/nitrogen proportion

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physical and chemical parameters for **soil unit** calcic phaeozems (Hc)
with 50% of area of **soil map unit Hc3-2a**

Soil unit symb ol	sand top	sand sub	silttop	silt sub	Clay top	clay sub	pH top	pH sub	OC top	OCs ub	N top	N sub	BSt op	BS sub	CEC top	CEC sub	CEC clay top	CEC clay sub	CaCO ₃ top	CaCO ₃ sub	BD top	BD sub
HC	40,8	40,8	22,5	25,7	36,8	33,4	7,9	8,4	2,17	0,8	0,19	0,09	98	92	39,3	40,5	92	93	3,1	21,9	1,2	1,4
HC 1	75	70	15	15	10	15	7,2	8,2	2	0,8	0,16	0,08	90	98	10	15	93	97	0,5	5	1,2	1,5
HC 2	56,9	56,8	23	21,2	20,2	22	7,8	8,3	1,59	0,59	0,17	0,09	95	83	15,9	18,3	78	93	2,7	8,2	1,2	1,4
HC 3	8,5	8,8	21,5	34,9	70	56,3	8,2	8,6	3,33	1,23	0,24	0,09	100	100	62,7	62,7	92	92	3,4	35,5	1,2	1,4

Linkage

Soil map unit

Soil unit 1

physical or chemical parameter 1

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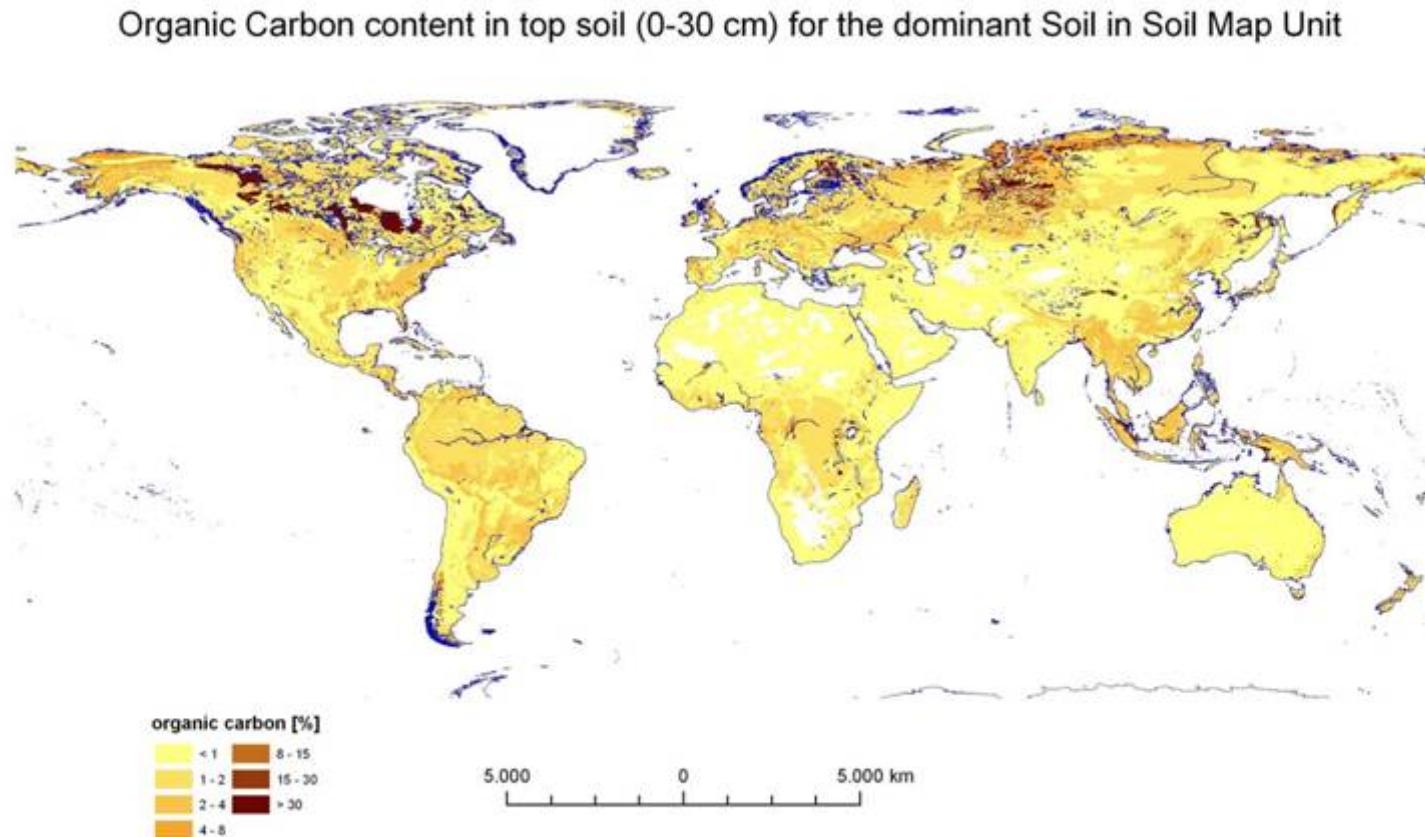
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Information about soil depth and soil drainage are available for each
soil map unit

particular depth class:

- very shallow
- shallow
- moderately deep
- deep
- very deep

particular drainage class:

- excessively drained
- somewhat excessively drained
- well drained
- moderately well drained
- imperfectly drained
- poorly drained
- very poorly drained

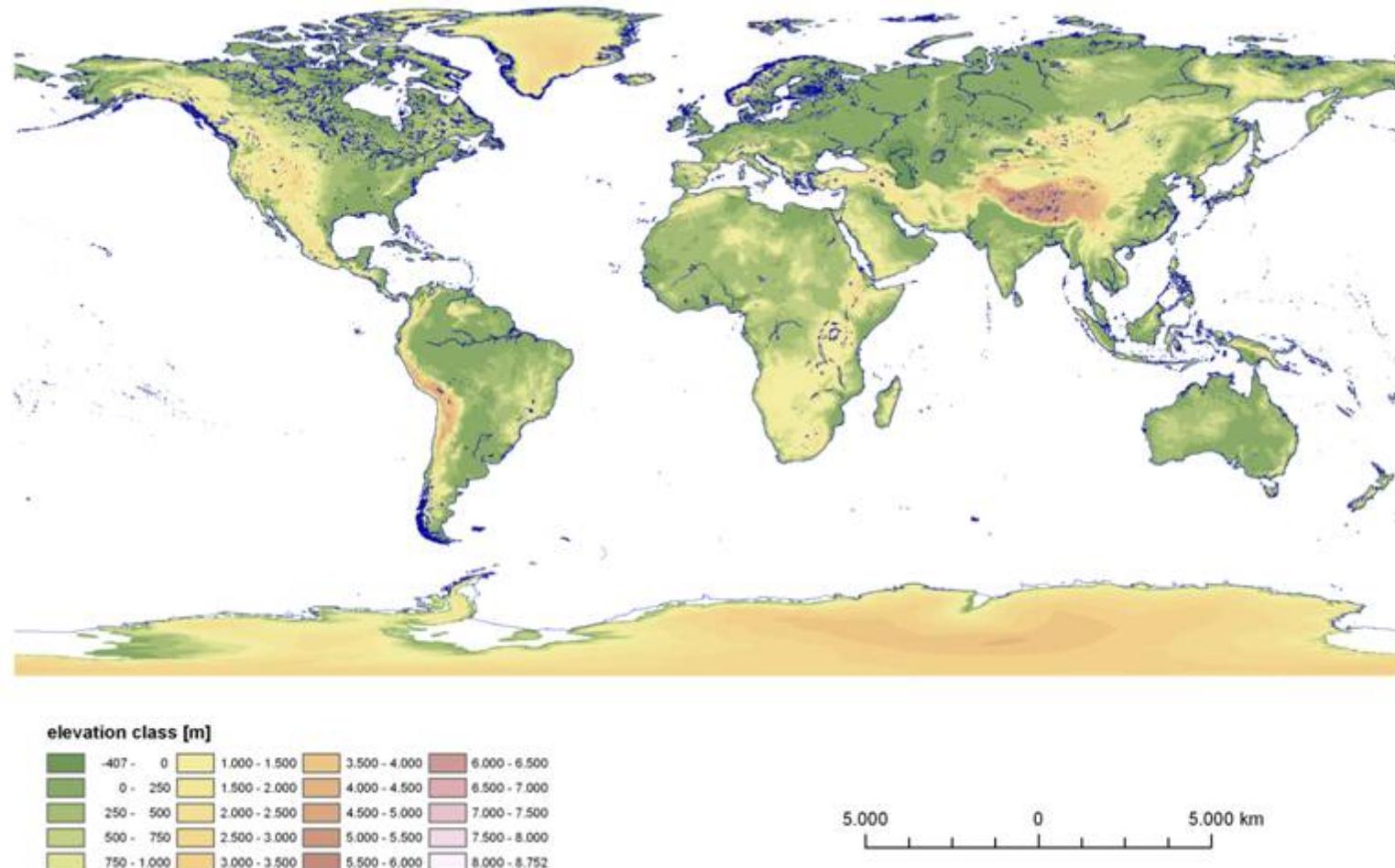
Information about soil suitability are available for each **soil map unit**
in 3 classes

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Topography

GTOPO30 - global digital elevation model

regularly spaced at 30-arc seconds (approximately 1 kilometer)

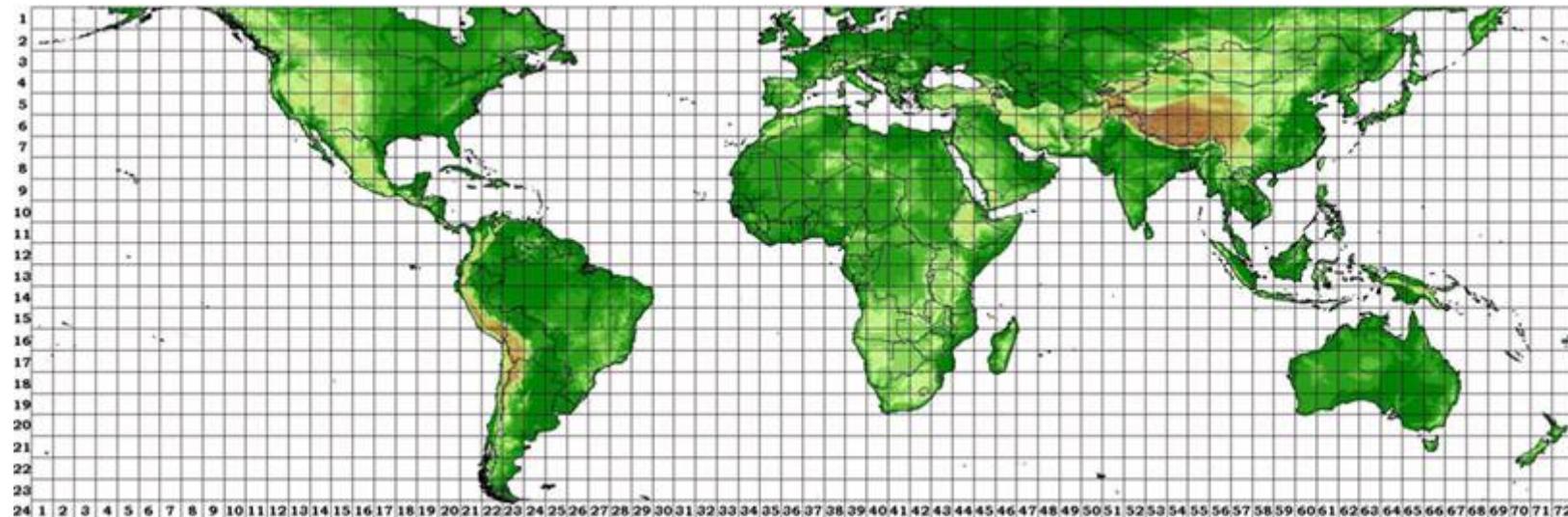


GTOPO30 global digital elevation model (DEM) 1994

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SRTM 90m Digital Elevation Data



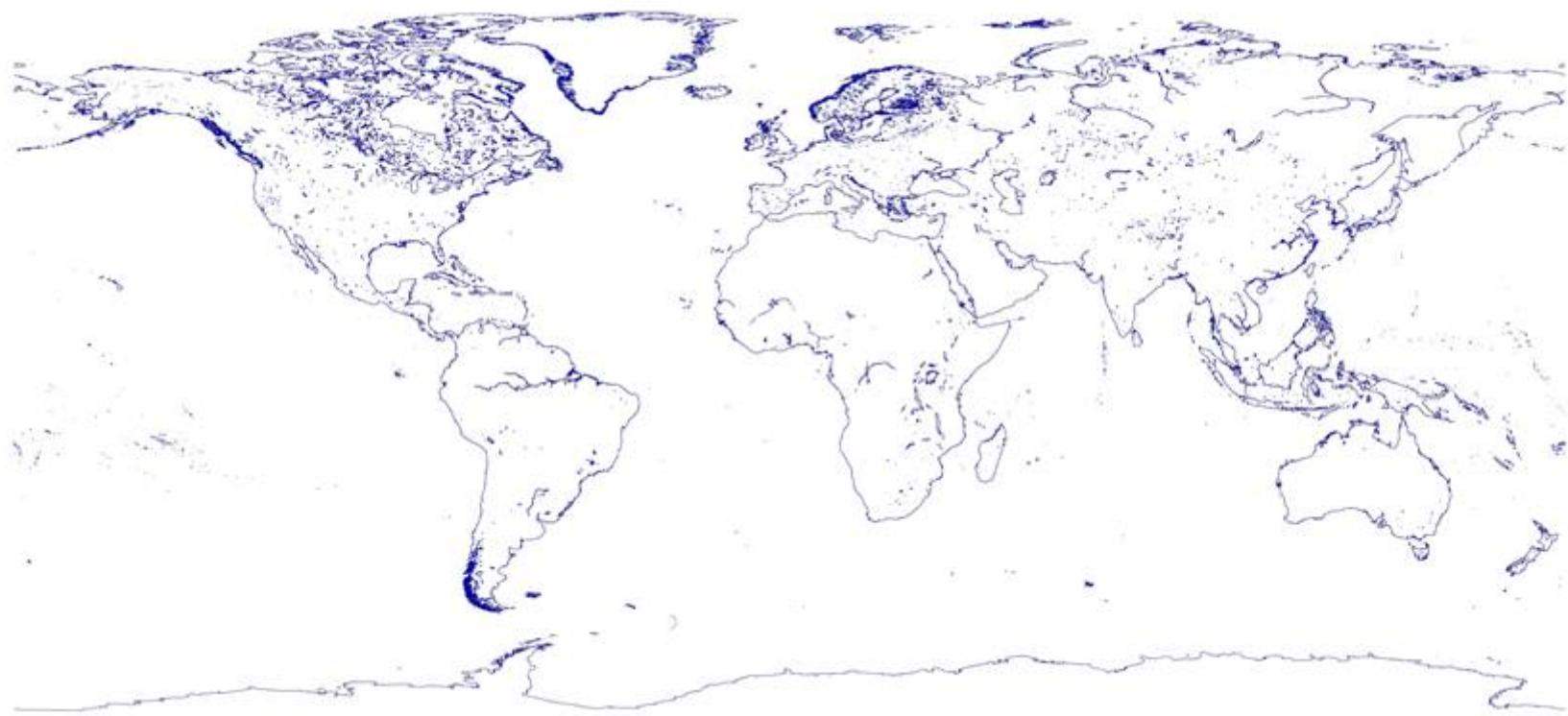
Source: CGIAR Consortium for Spatial Information (CGIAR-CSI)

VERSION 2 NOW INCLUDES ALL AREAS OF THE WORLD, INCLUDING AUSTRALASIA AND SMALL ISLANDS THAT WERE NOT PREVIOUSLY AVAILABLE. THE DATASET IS ALSO INTERPOLATED USING IMPROVED INTERPOLATION METHODS, AND HAS BEEN CLIPPED AROUND SHORELINES.

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Topography

GSHHS - A Global Self-consistent, Hierarchical,
High-resolution Shoreline Database

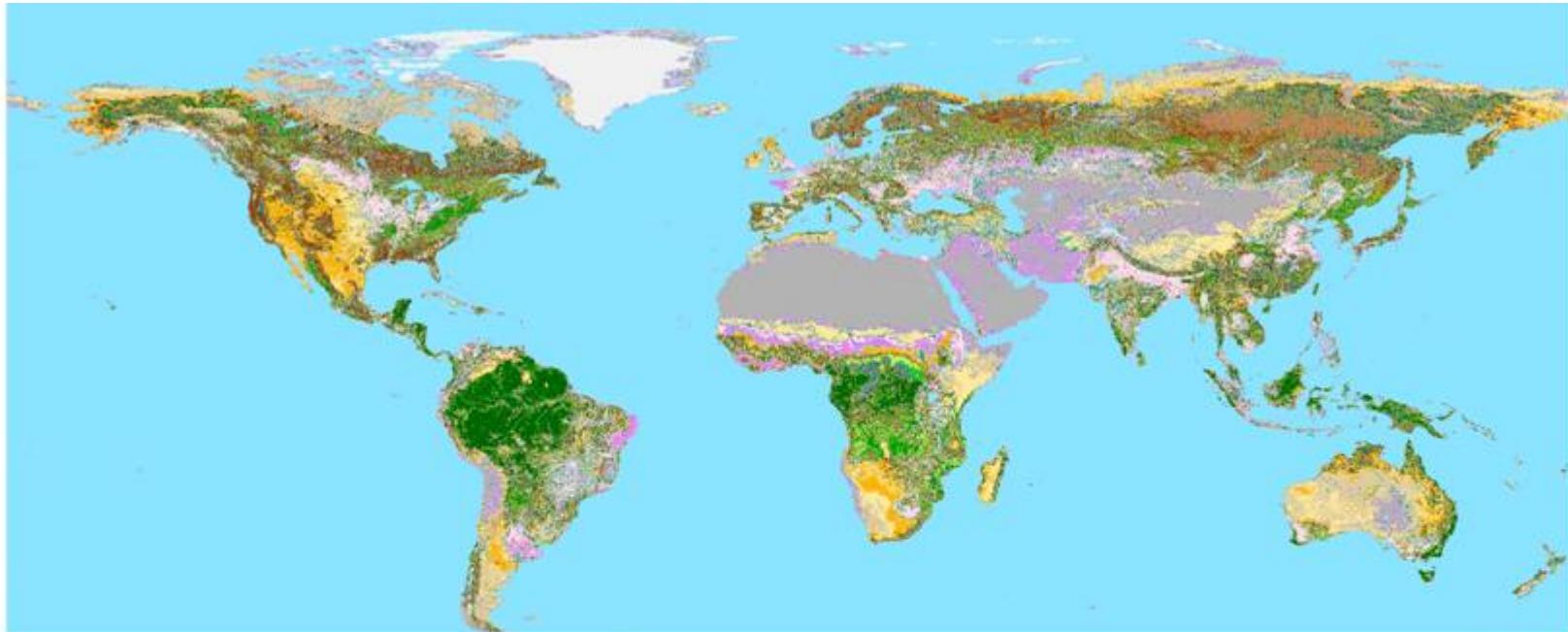


Source: National Geophysical Data Center NGDC

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Land Cover

Global Land Cover 2000 database (Beta Version); source: JRC
regularly spaced at 30-arc seconds (approximately 1 kilometer)



Land cover/use

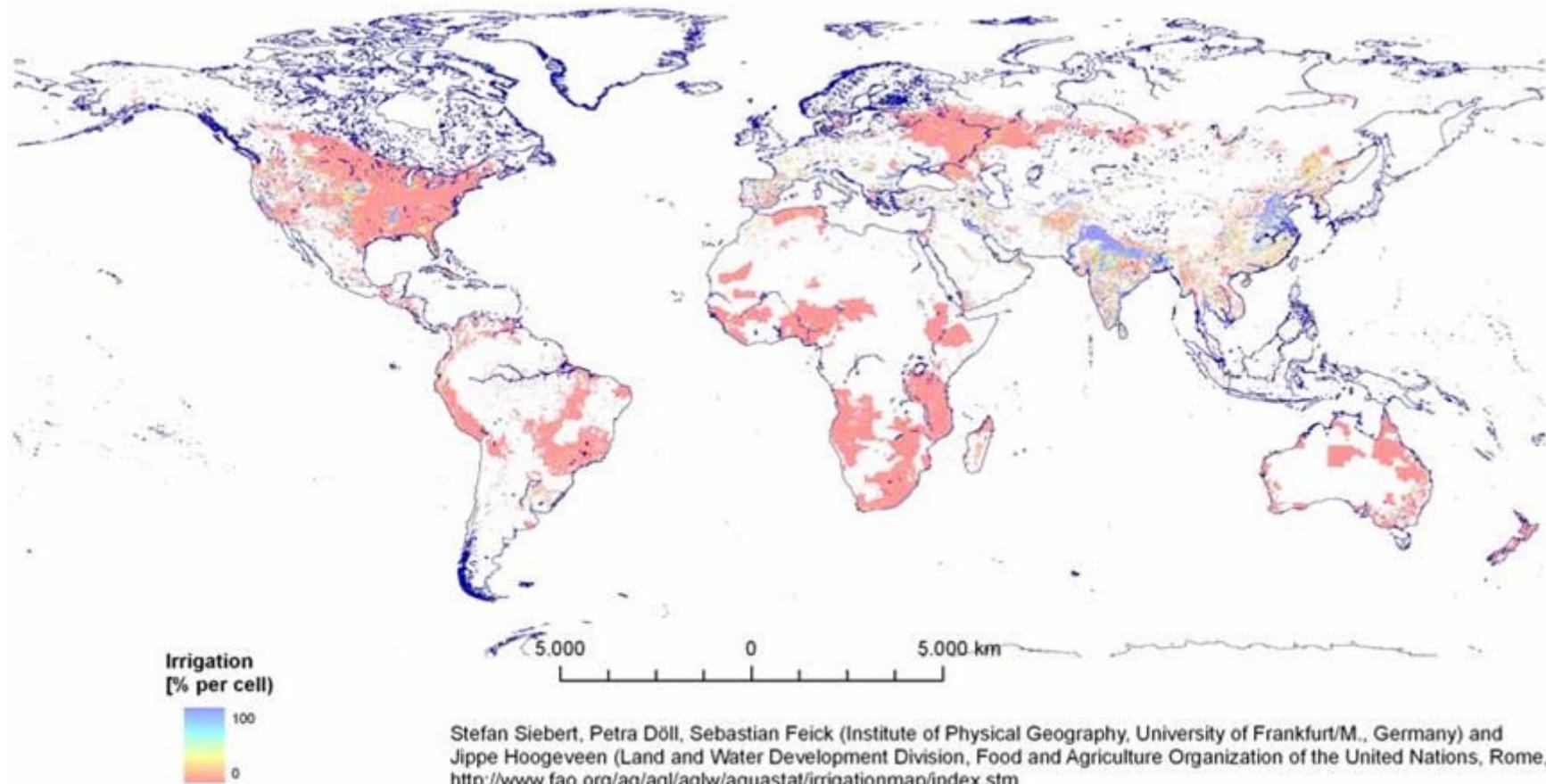
Artificial surfaces and associated areas	Mosaic: Tree Cover / Other natural vegetation	Sparse herbaceous or sparse shrub cover	Tree Cover, needle-leaved, deciduous
Bare Areas	No data	Tree Cover, broadleaved, deciduous, closed	Tree Cover, needle-leaved, evergreen
Cultivated and managed areas	Regularly flooded shrub and/or herbaceous cover	Tree Cover, broadleaved, deciduous, open	Tree Cover, regularly flooded, fresh water
Herbaceous Cover, closed-open	Shrub Cover, closed-open, deciduous	Tree Cover, broadleaved, evergreen	Tree Cover, regularly flooded, saline water
Mosaic: Cropland / Shrub and/or grass cover	Shrub Cover, closed-open, evergreen	Tree Cover, burnt	Water Bodies
Mosaic: Cropland / Tree Cover / Other natural vegetation	Snow and Ice	Tree Cover, mixed leaf type	

Part of Fifth Framework Programme 1999-2002 for Research of the European Commission;
Global Environment Information System (GEIS)

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Management Practice

Global Map of Irrigated Areas; source: FAO/ Uni Frankfurt



The map depicts the percentage of each 0.5° by 0.5° cell that was equipped for irrigation around 1995.

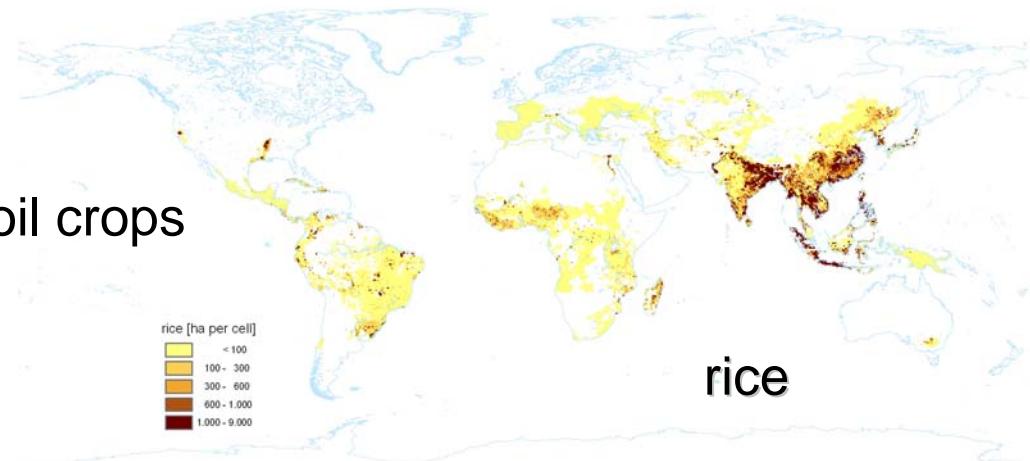
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Crops

Global Crop Maps source: International Food Policy Research Institute

5x5 minutes distribution maps for 20 major crops
derived administrative data for 20 major crop types
method: Entropy + Spatial allocation

- wheat, rice, maize, barley, millet, sorghum
- potato, sweet potato and yams, cassava
- banana and plantain
- dry beans, other pulse
- sugar cane, sugar beets
- cotton, other fibres
- soybean, groundnuts, other oil crops
- coffee

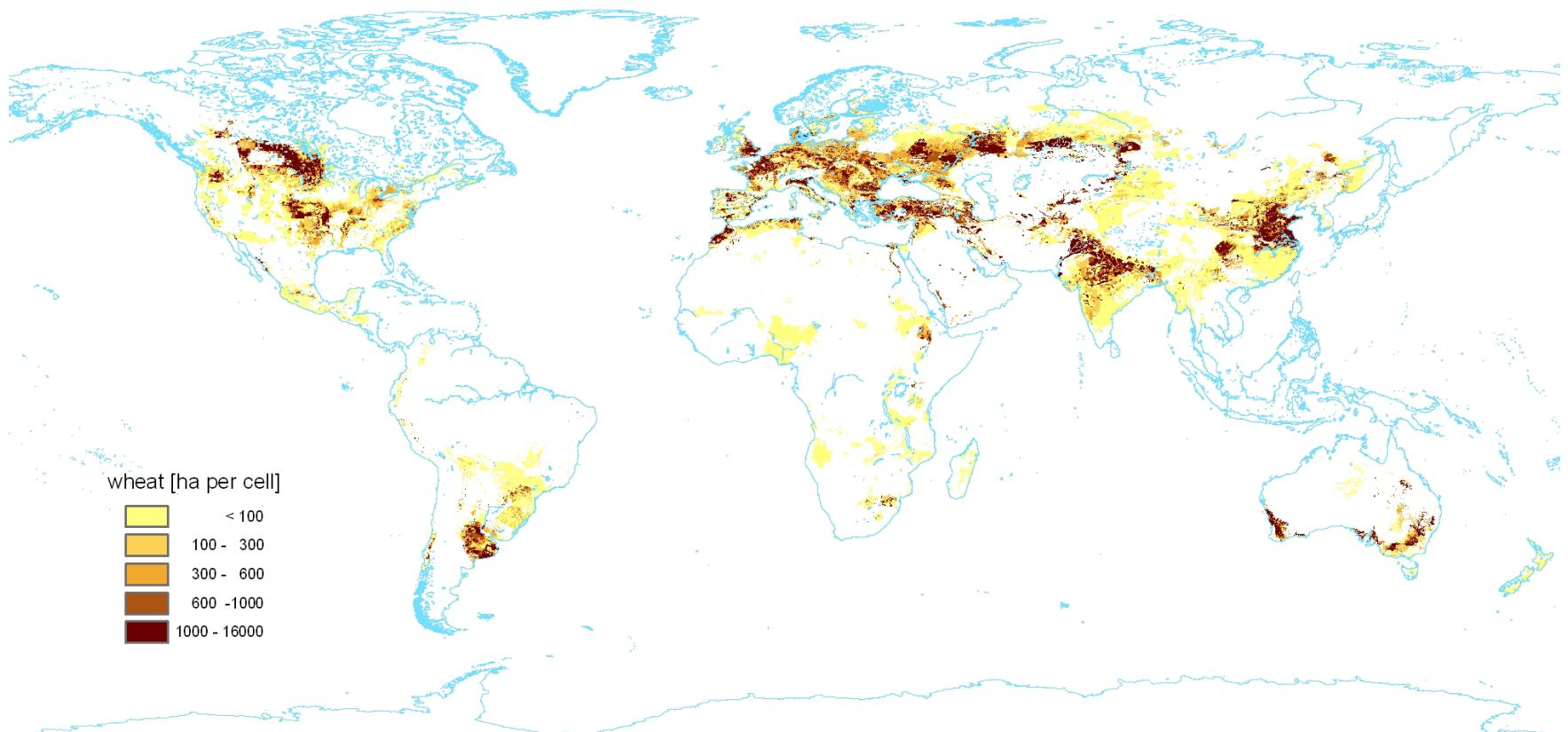


International Food Policy Research Institute; Yu, Wood & Wood-Sichra 2006

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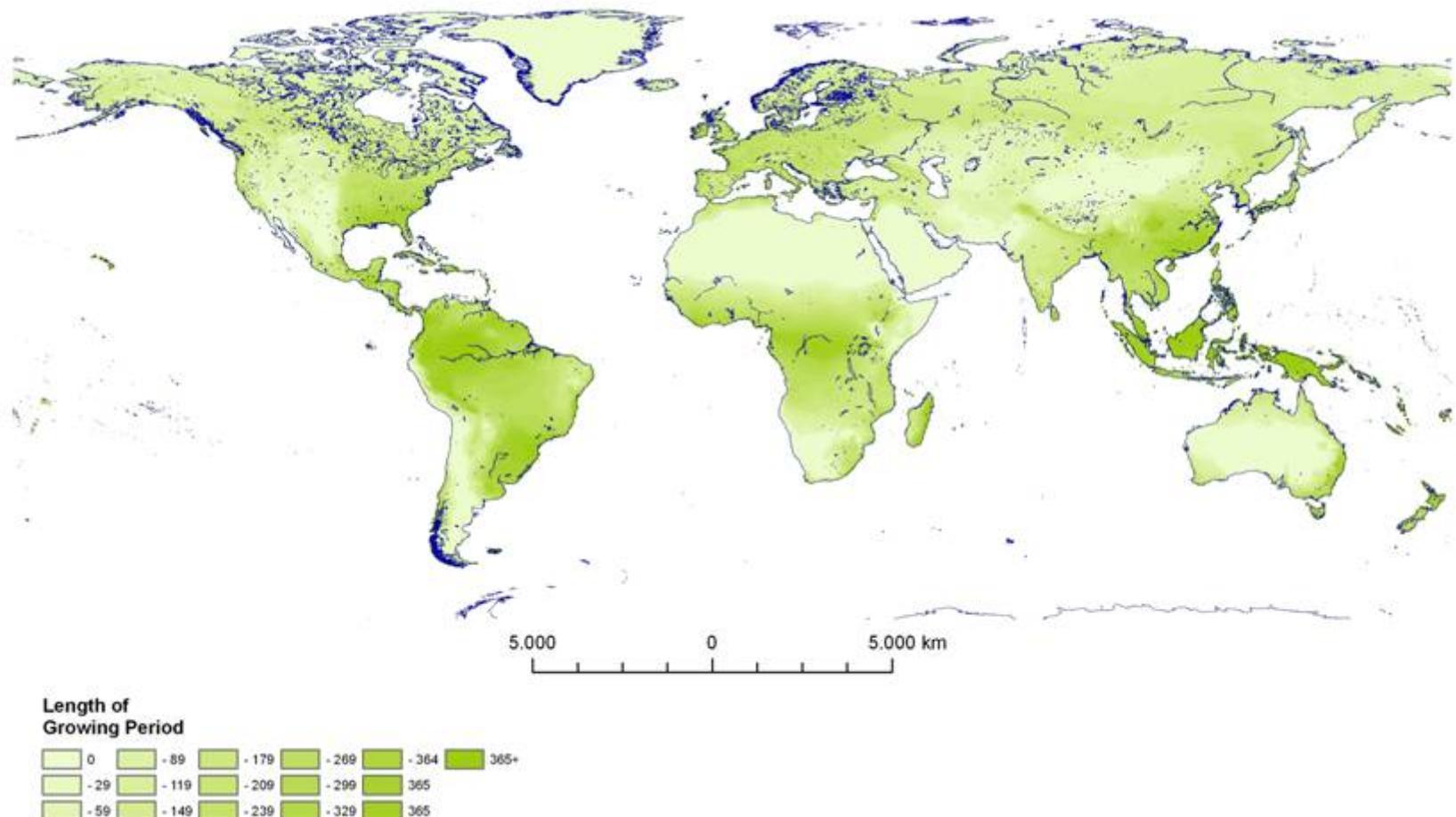
Agro-ecological zones (AEZ); source: IIASA/FAO

Selected results

<u>Climate, Soil and Terrain Constraints</u>	provides data on occurrence and spatial distribution of climate, soil and terrain constraints to rain-fed crop production.
<u>Crop yields</u>	presents maximum attainable yields and long-term achievable yields by climate zone.
<u>Suitability for rain-fed crops</u>	presents crop suitability results for individual crops and crop groups, under rain-fed conditions.
<u>Suitability for rain-fed and irrigated crops</u>	presents crop suitability results for individual crops and crop groups, under rain-fed and irrigated conditions.
<u>Land with rain-fed cultivation potential</u>	presents estimates of total and per capita availability of land with rain-fed production potentials.
<u>Where irrigation matters</u>	highlights mapping units where irrigation would greatly improve cereal production.
<u>Best cereal type</u>	presents which cereal is best where from respectively agronomic, food energy or gross value of production viewpoint.
<u>Multiple cropping productivity</u>	presents estimates of overall land productivity potential when considering multicropping systems.
<u>Current land cover</u>	indicates how land with crop production potential currently is used, in particular in relation to forest ecosystems.
<u>Climate sensitivity</u>	presents preliminary results for a number of temperature and rainfall sensitivity scenarios.

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Agro-ecological zones (AEZ); for example: length of growing period
source: IIASA/FAO



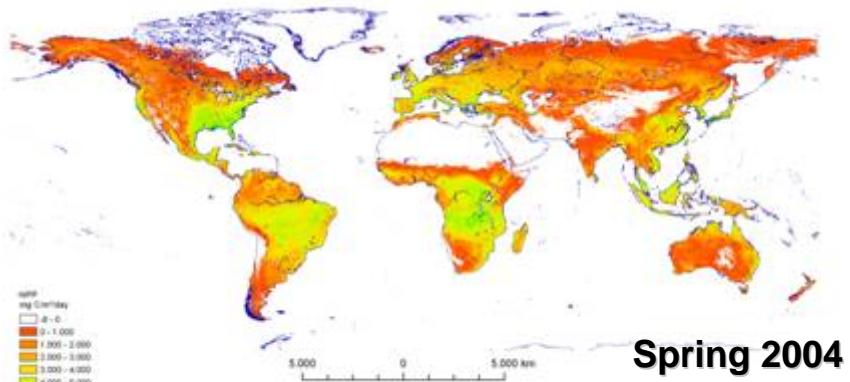
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Auxiliary Data

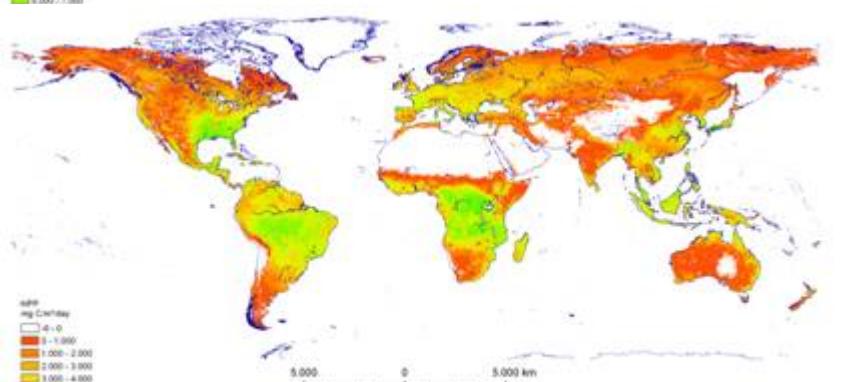
Net Primary Productivity; source: Global Earth Observation in Support of Climate Change and Environmental Security Studies

region: world

- period: April 1998 - present
- frequency: every 10 days
- type: raster
- resolution: 1 km x 1 km
- format: HDF
- size:
 - global coverage: ± 1.2 Gb
compressed: ± 150 Mb
 - regional coverage: ± 80 Mb
compressed: ± 20 Mb
- units: mgC/m²/day



Spring 2004



Spring 2005

Net Primary Productivity or NPP products represent repeatable estimates of the net flux of carbon between the atmosphere and terrestrial vegetation. It quantifies these carbon fluxes by combining a simplified carbon exchange model with satellite observations (SPOT-VEGETATION S10 (SPOT VGT S10) images). Source: VITO Belgium.

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Source: National Geophysical Data Center NGDC

[A01:](#) NGDC Monthly Generalized Global Vegetation Index from NESDIS NOAA-9 Weekly GVI Data (APR 1985 - DEC 1988).

[A02:](#) Monthly Experimental Calibrated Global Vegetation Index from NOAA-9 and 11 (April 1985 – December 1990).

[A03:](#) Leemans and Cramer IIASA Mean Monthly Values of Temperature, Precipitation, and Cloudiness on a Global Grid.

[A04:](#) Legates and Willmott Average Monthly Surface Air Temperature and Precipitation (re-gridded).

A05: **Olson** World Ecosystems, 57 attributes

- 30 CFS Cool Farmland + settlements, more or less snowy
- 31 MFS Mild/hot farmland + settlements

[A10:](#) Wilson and Henderson-Sellers Global Land Cover and Soils Data for GCMs.

[A11:](#) Staub and Rosenzweig Zobler Soil Type, Soil Texture, Surface Slope, and Other Properties.

[A12:](#) Webb, Rosenzweig, and Levine Global Soil Particle Size Properties.

[A13:](#) FNOC Elevation, Terrain, and Surface Characteristics.

[A15:](#) Edwards Global Gridded Elevation and Bathymetry.

[A16:](#) UNEP/GRID Gridded FAO/UNESCO Soil Units.

[B01:](#) Fedorova, Volkova, and Varlyguin World Vegetation Cover

[B02:](#) Bazilevich Global Primary Productivity

B03: **Bailey** Ecoregions of the Continents

- 5 domains, 31 divisions, 100 provinces

28 PERMANENTLY HUMID WESTERN OCEANIC
BROADLEAF FORESTS

32 FOREST-ALPINE MEADOWS

Conclusions

- For all categories the necessary input layer and data are available
- Most of them under GNU-like licenses
- To build homogeneous areas for biophysical modelling the useful application of the data sets depends

on their resolution

and

on their type of stratification

Expert knowledge is essential in this process.