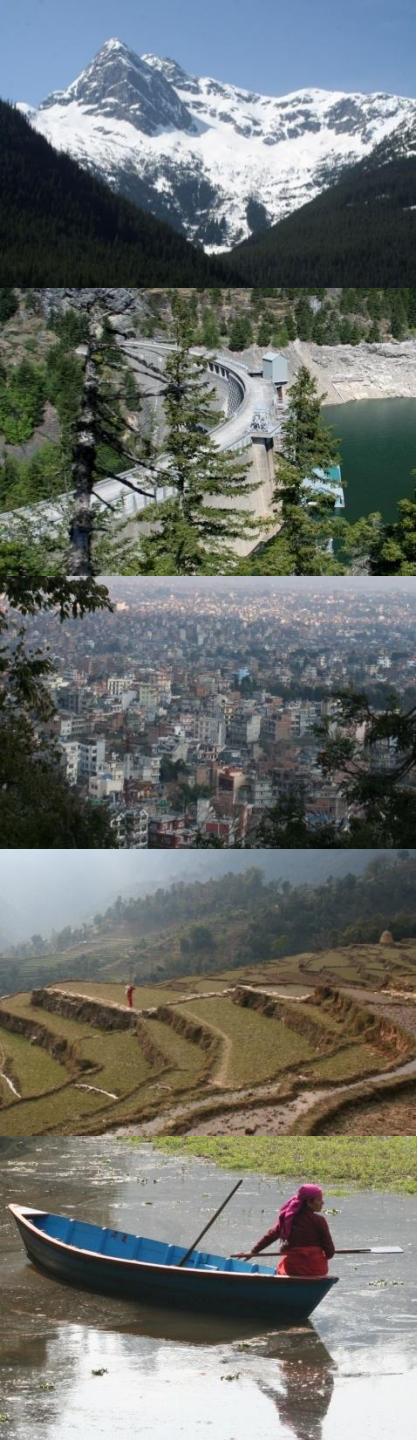


Water for a Food Secure World

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Presentation

Explores water and food relations

- ✓ **Water Scarcity**
- ✓ **Key Trends**
- ✓ **Future Outlook**
- ✓ **Key Strategies**

How much water do you eat?

Drinking water

- 2 to 5 liters per day

Household Use

- 20 to 2,000 liters per day

1 kg rice

- 500 to 3,000 liters

1 kg beef

- 5,000 to 20,000 liters

Daily Diet

- 2,000 to 5,000 liters per day
depending on diets and how
food is produced



Water Scarcity 2000

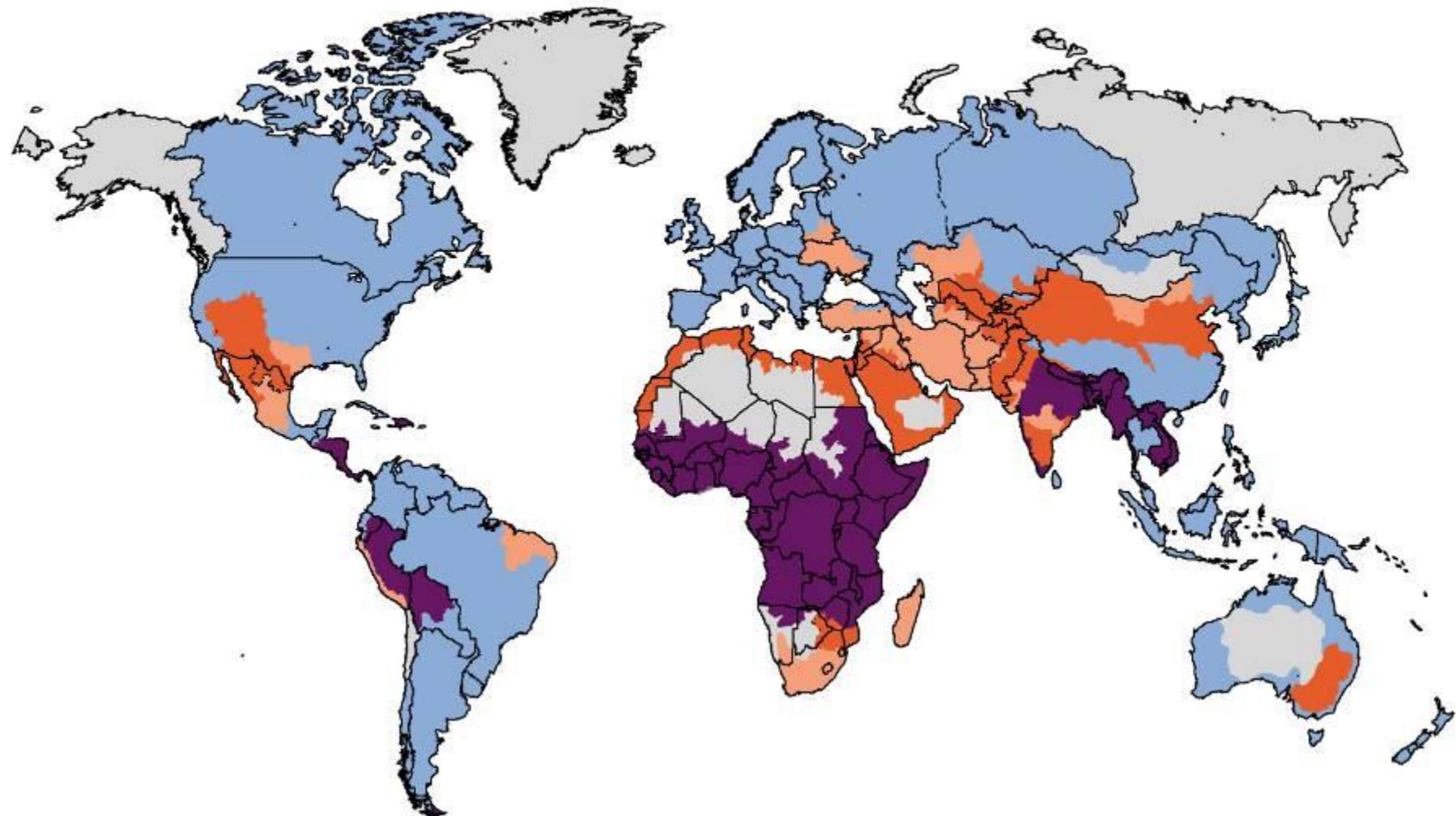
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Physical water scarcity

Approaching physical water scarcity

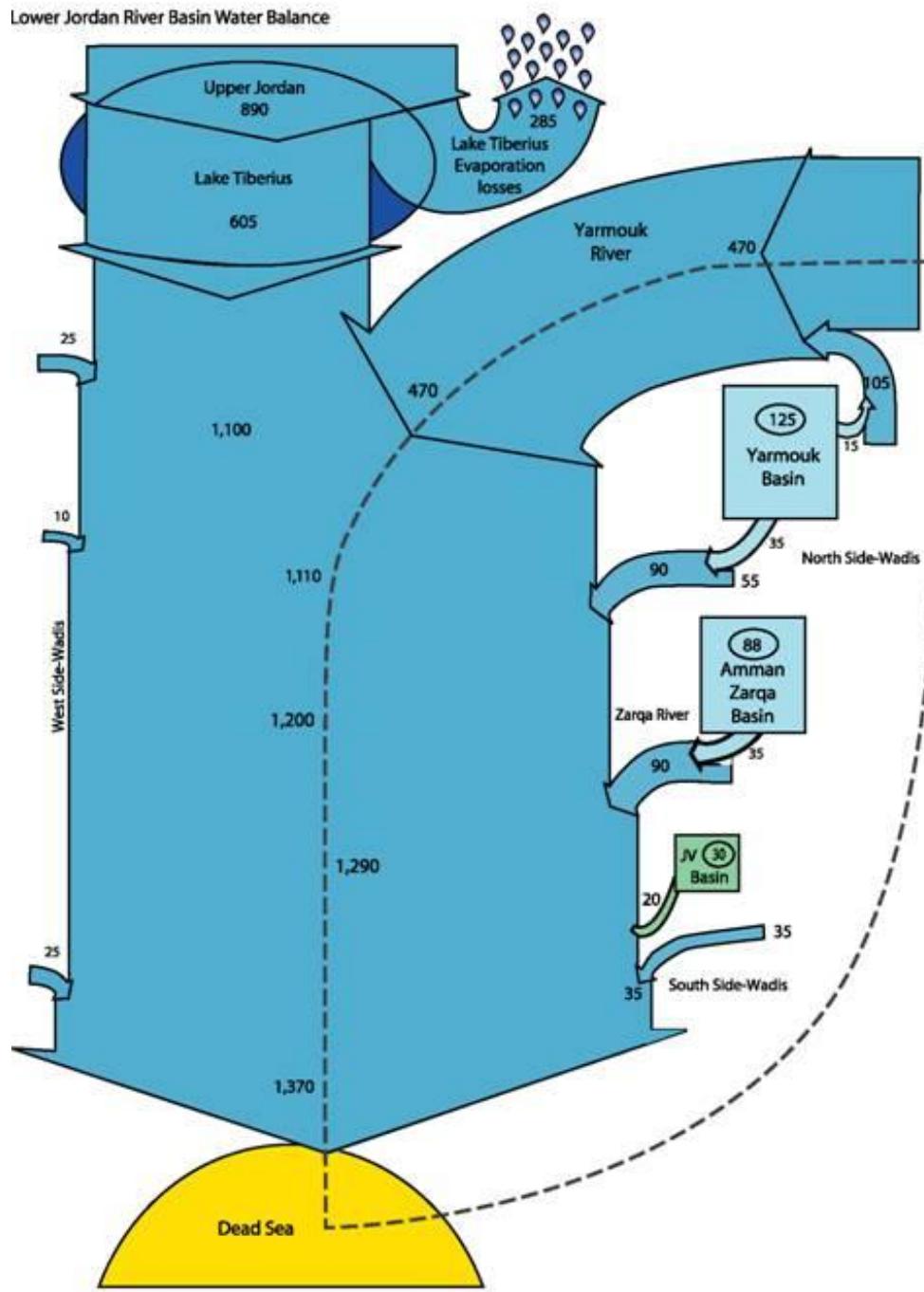
Economic water scarcity

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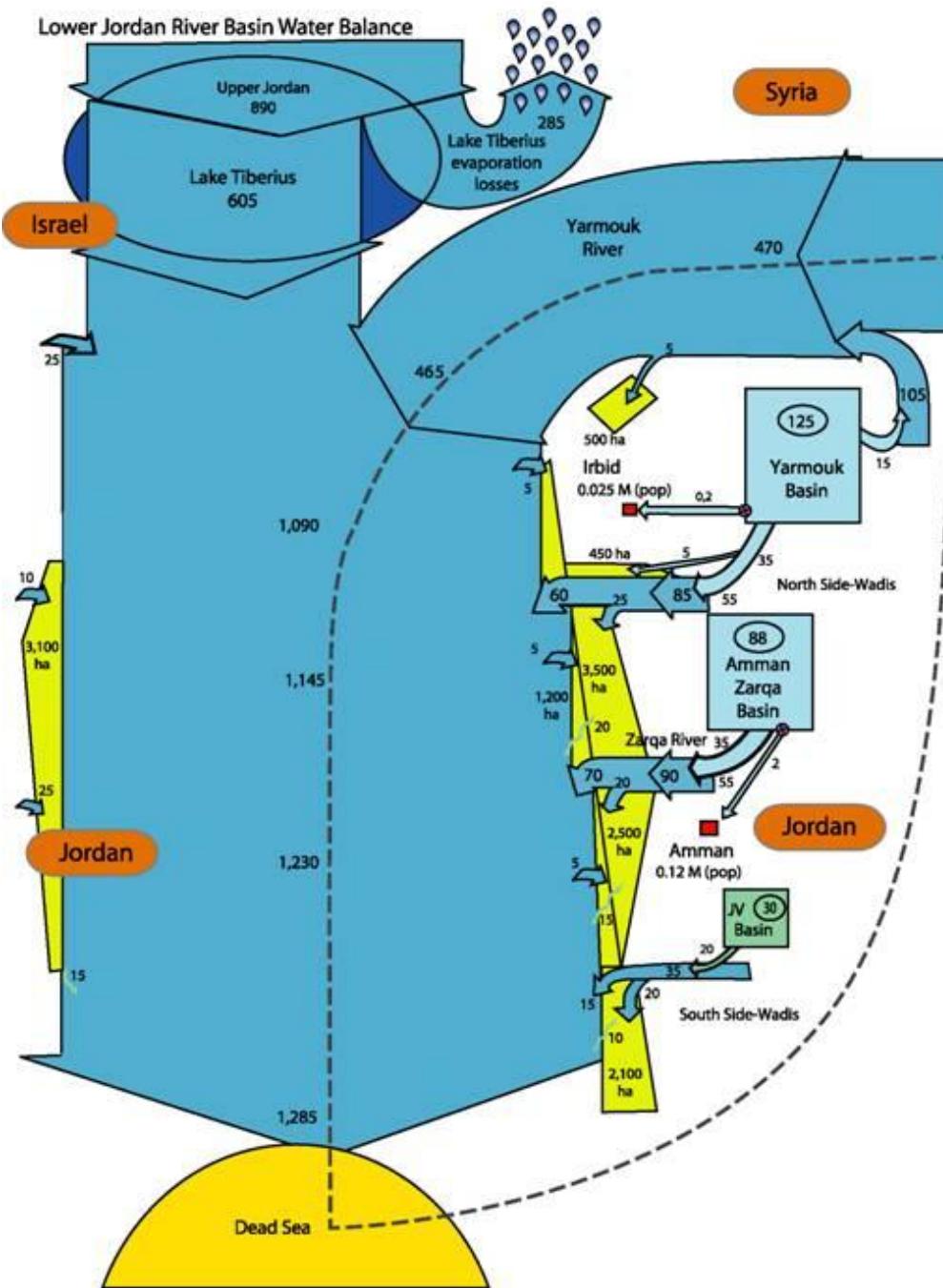
1/3 of the world's population live in basins that have to deal with water scarcity

Jordan River Original Hydrology



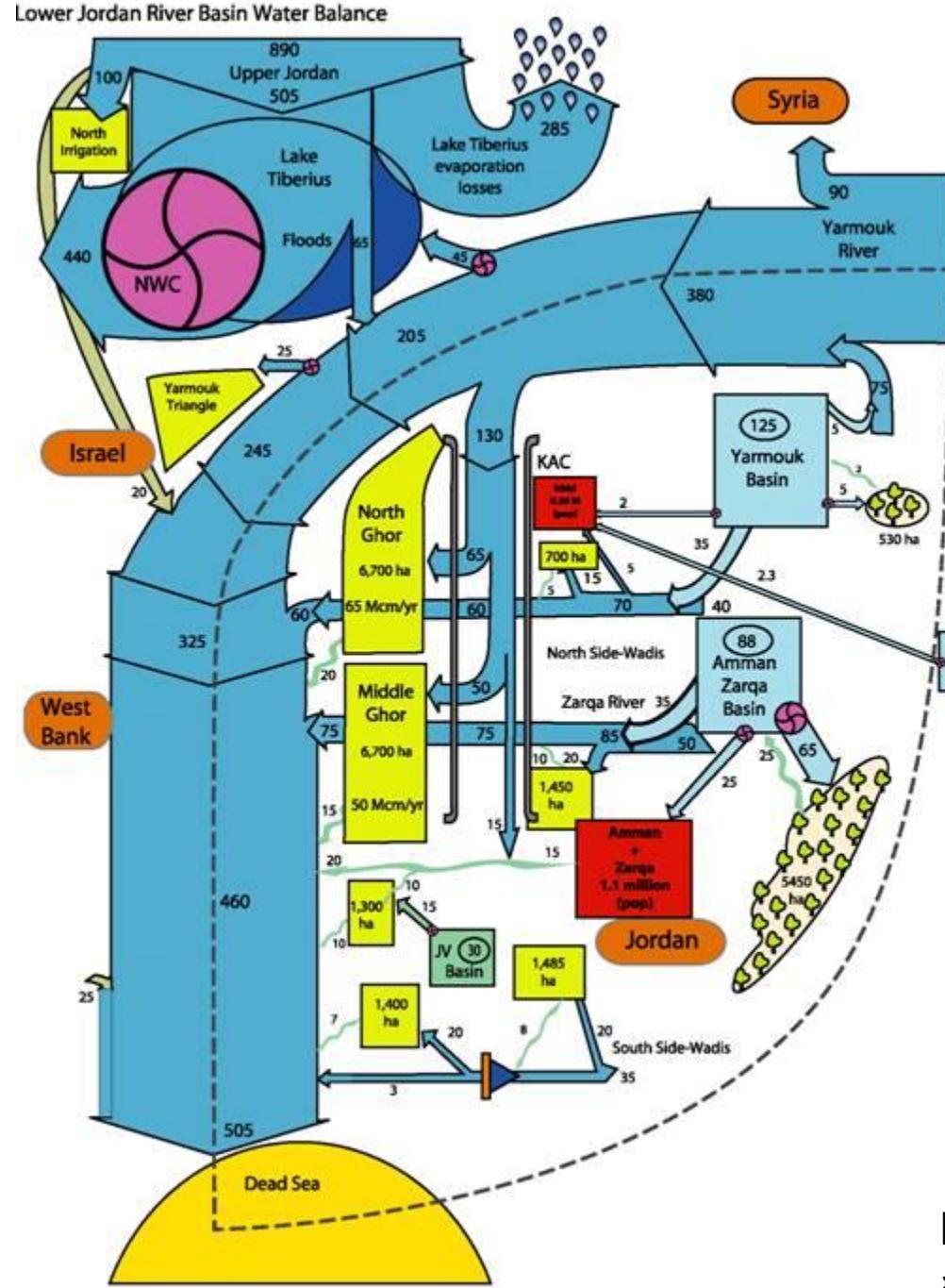
Jordan River

1950



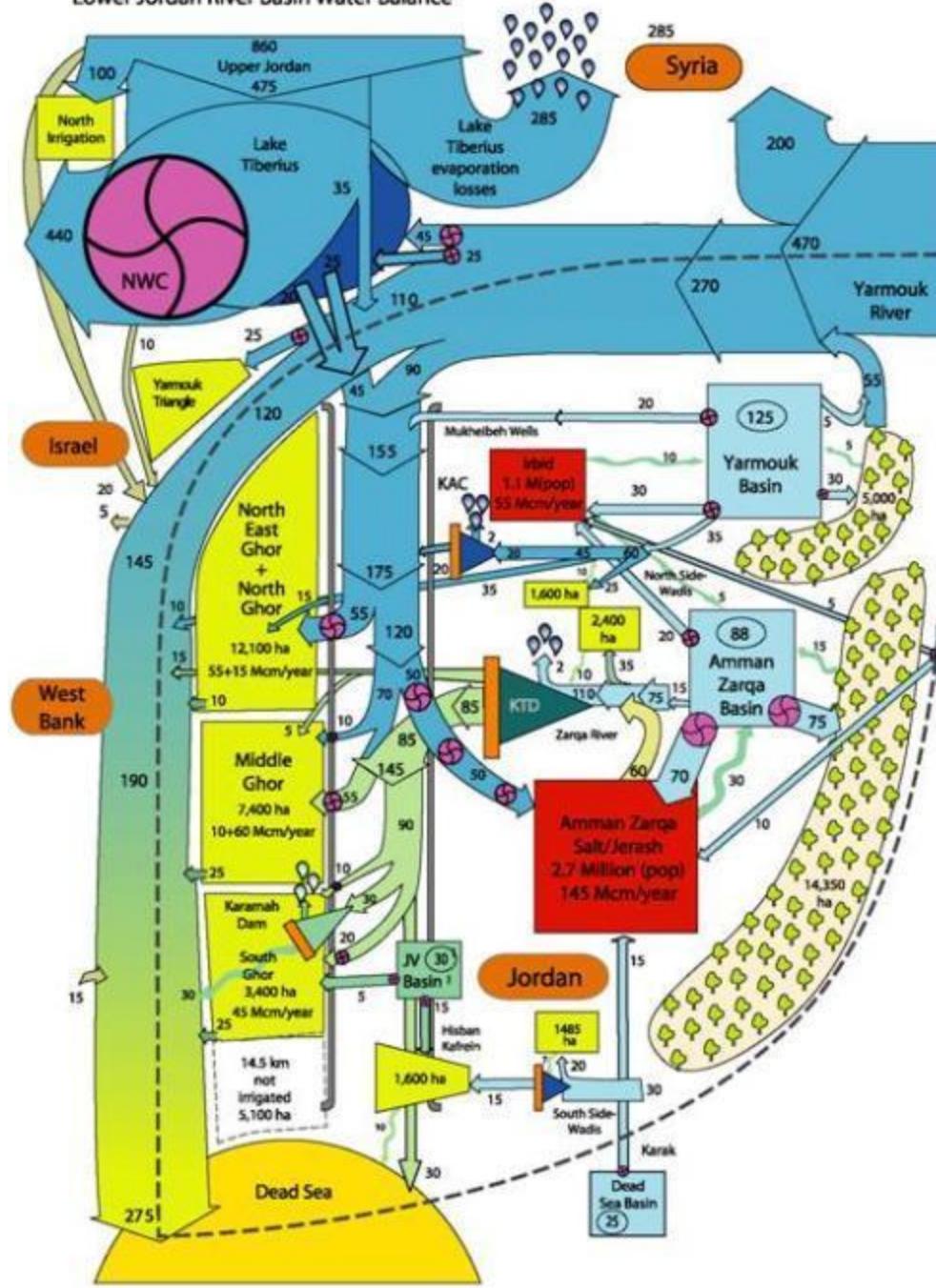
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Jordan River 1975

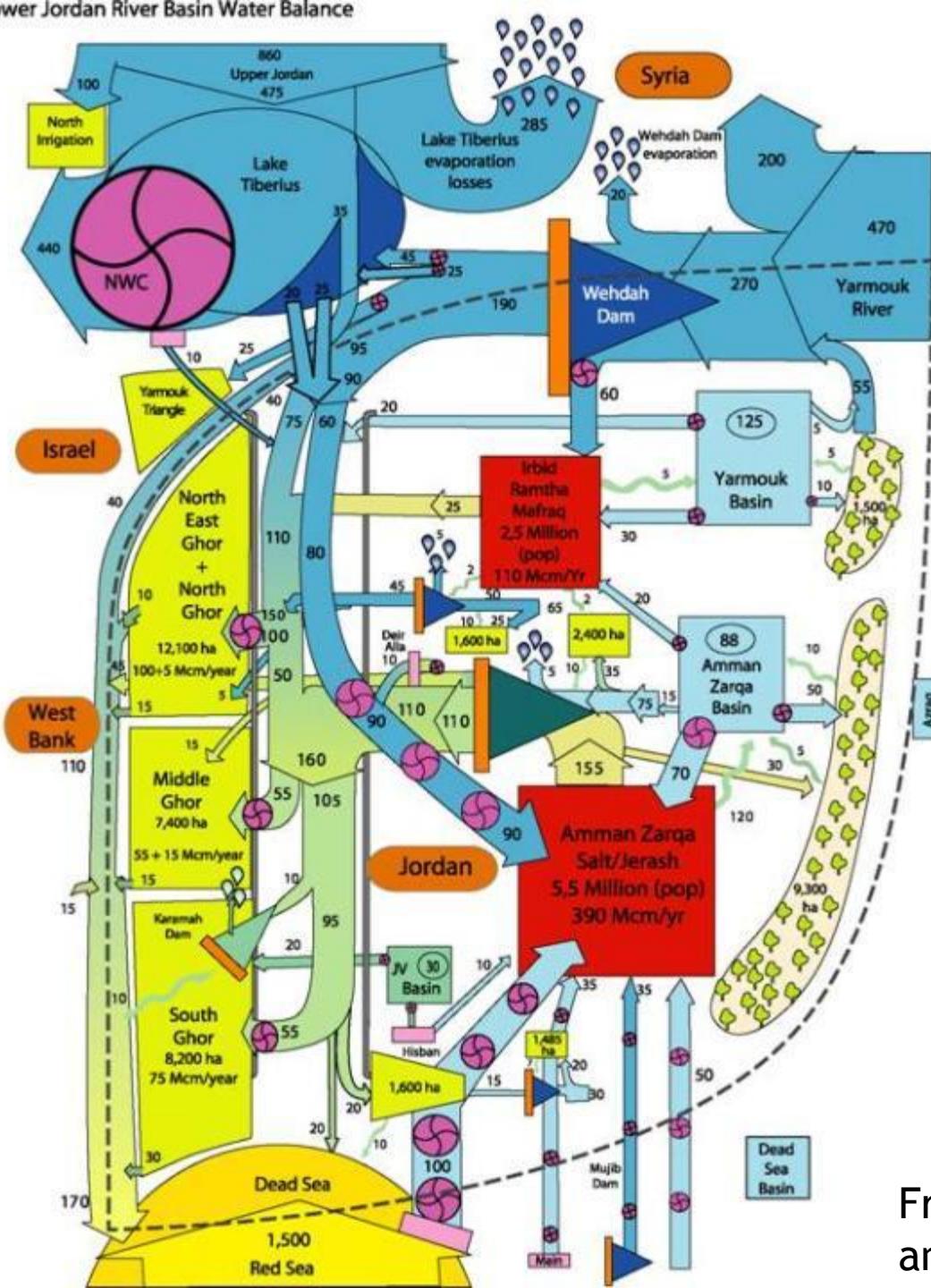


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Jordan River 2025?

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Limits – Reached or Breached

Land degradation – limits productivity

River basins closed – Colorado, Murray Darling, Yellow, Indus, Amu Darya no additional water left

Groundwater overdraft – in agricultural breadbaskets

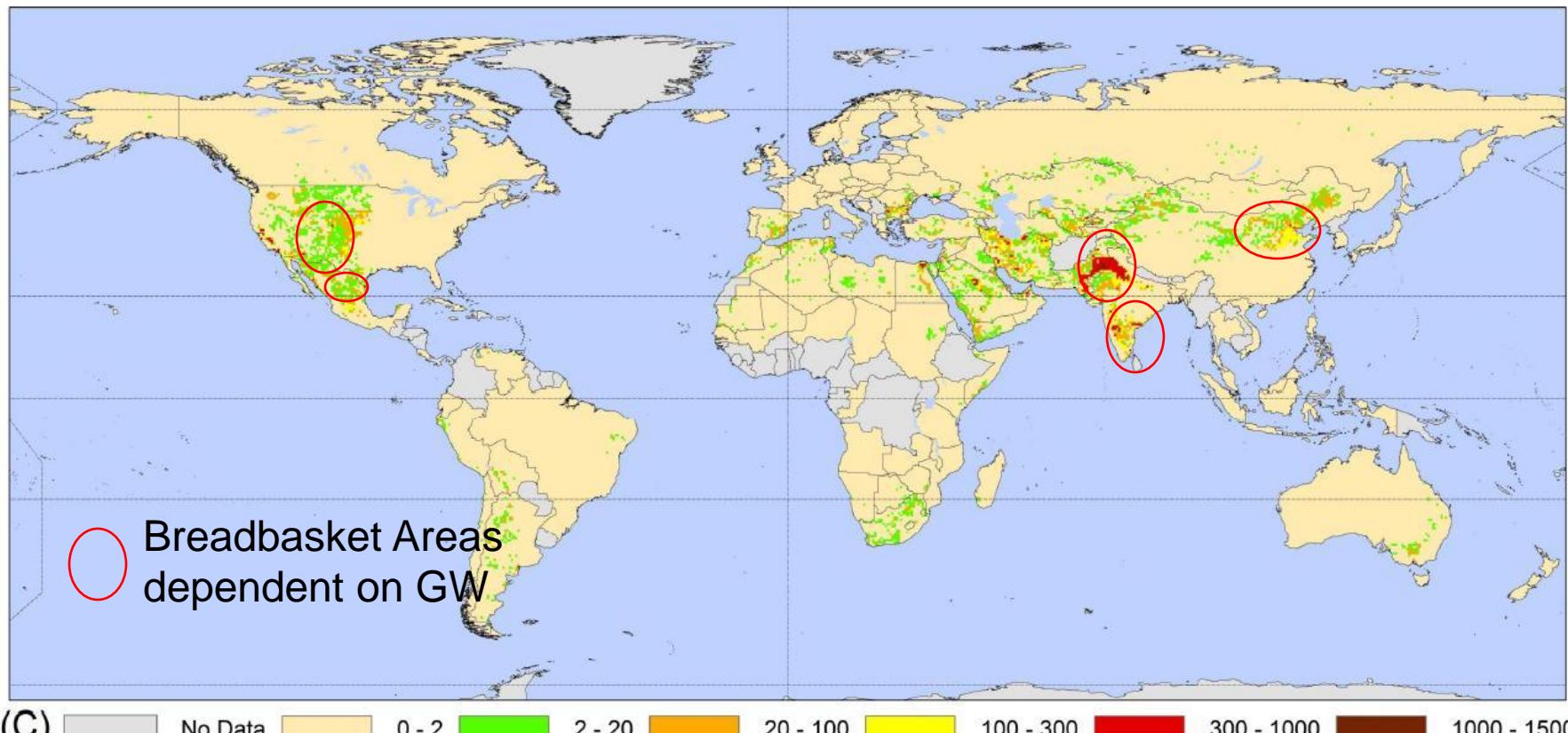
Fisheries – ocean and freshwater at a limit, aquaculture will become more prevalent

Livestock – limit on extent of grazing land, more will come from mixed and industrialized production



Groundwater

Overexploitation, but also opportunities for use



Global map of groundwater depletion, where 1000 on the legend is equal to one cubic kilometer of depletion per year. Source: Wada, Y., van Beek, L.P.H., van Kempen, C.M., Reckman, J.W.T.M., Vasak, S. and Bierkens, M.F.P. (2010) Global depletion of groundwater resources. Geophysical Research Letters, VOL. 37, L20402. doi:10.1029/2010GL044571

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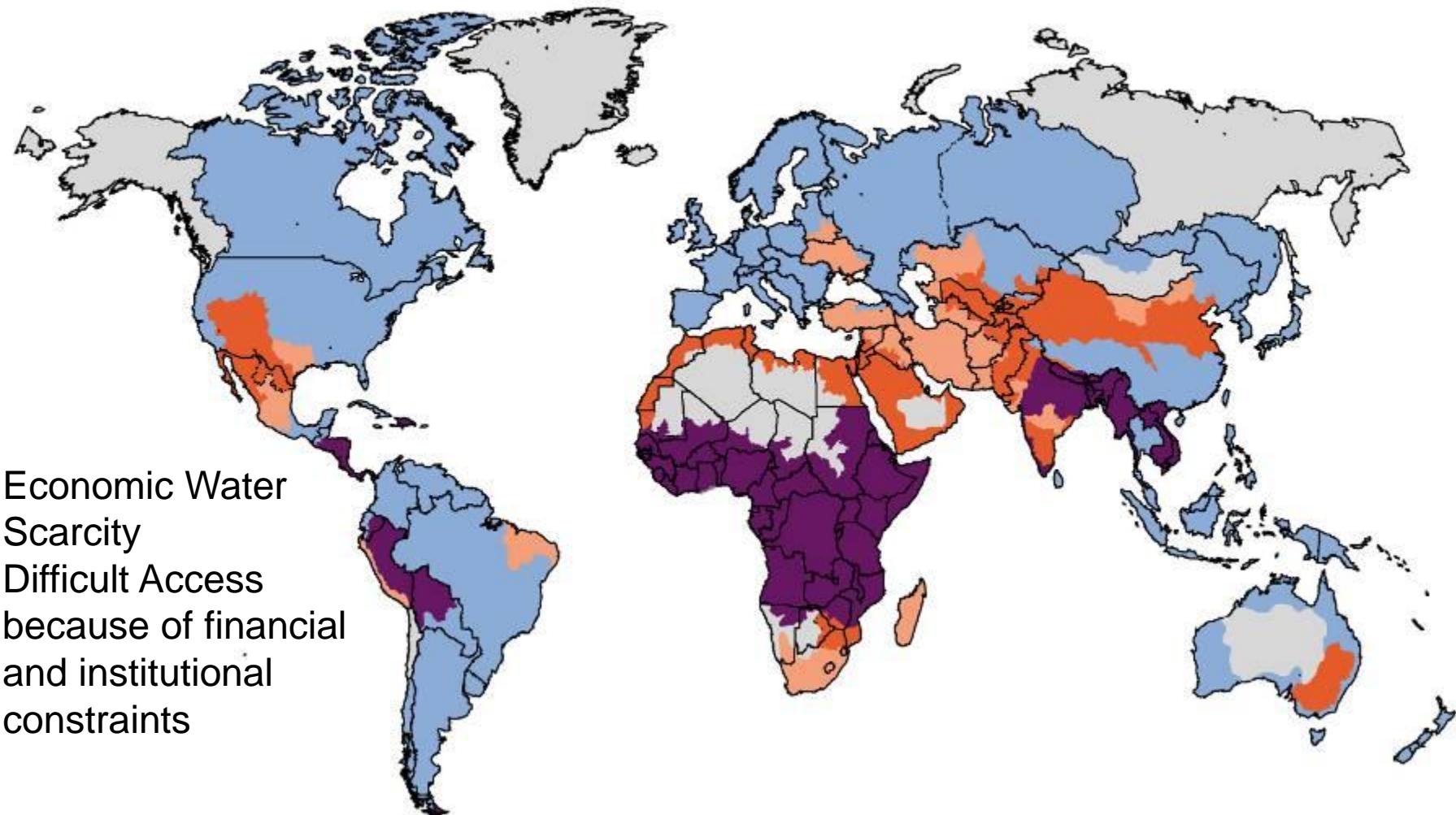
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Economic Water
Scarcity
Difficult Access
because of financial
and institutional
constraints

1.6 billion people live in economically water scarce areas

Irrigation potential developed:

Egypt,
Morocco,
Somalia, South
Africa > 75%

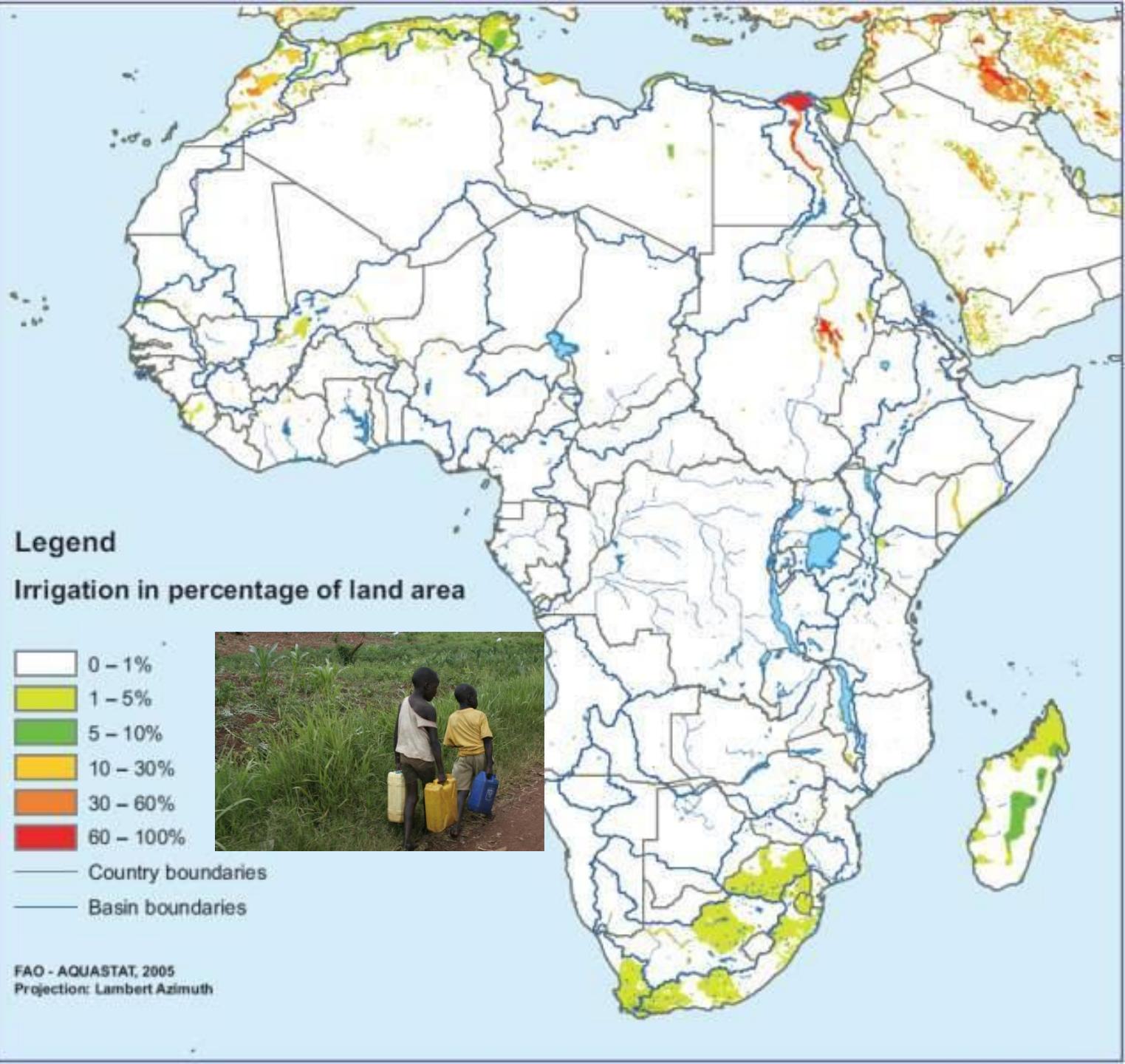
Botswana,
Sudan,
Zimbabwe,
Madagascar,
Mali, Malawi,
Uganda 50-75%

Rest < 50%

% Irrigated Land

INDIA:
~50

SSA:
5



Key Trends

- Rapid Water Development
2nd “boom” in dam construction
- The role of China
- “Land and Water Grabs”
- Entry of Private sector in water discourse
- Growth of informal water economies





Informal Water Economies

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Big Dam Boom Nile Basin Countries

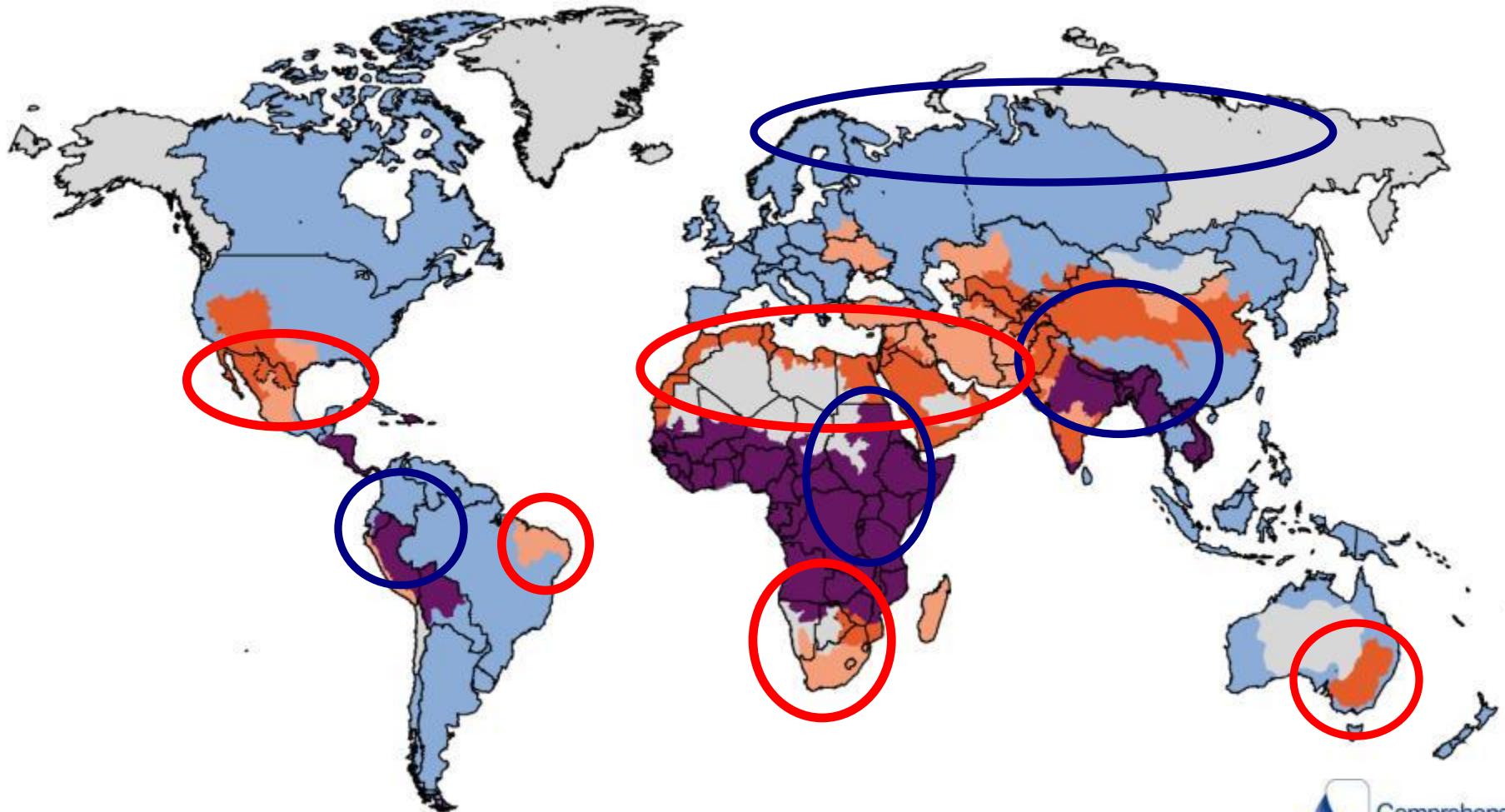
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Water Scarcity and Climate Change

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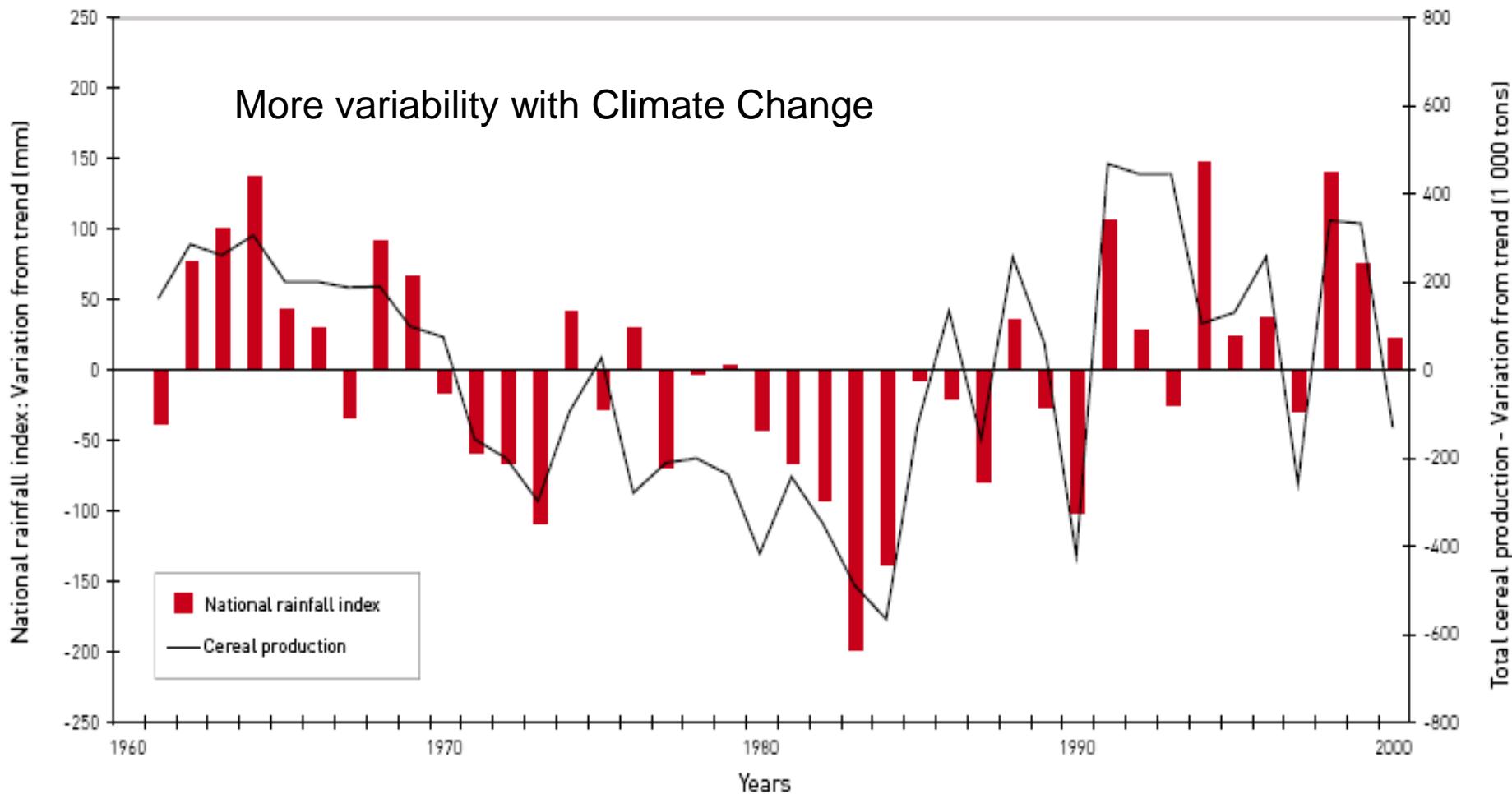
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Hotter, more rainfall variability, some areas wetter, some areas drier

Rainfall & Cereal Production in Burkina Faso



Source: FAO for Comprehensive Assessment of Water Management in Agriculture

Will there be enough water?



Drivers of Land & Water Use

Population & Diet – food grain production projected to increase by over 70% by 2050

Urbanization - Cities are projected to use 150% more water in 2025, encroach on ag land

Agriculture – Increased water use and land expansion behind production increases

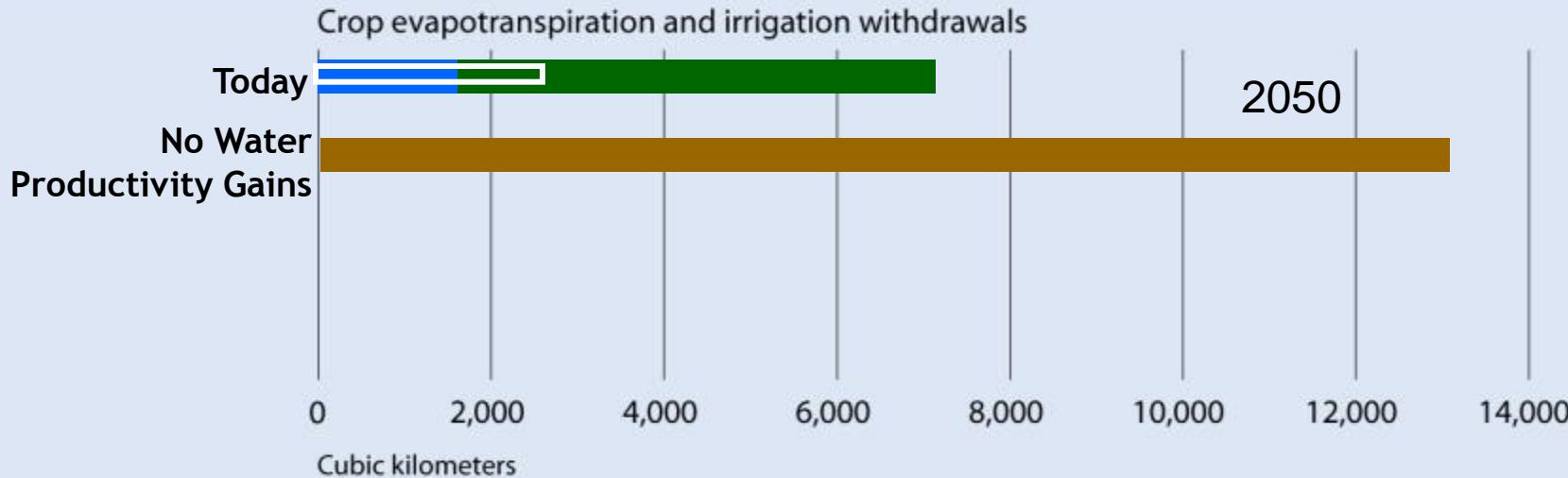
Energy – Hydropower and biofuels compete for water and land

Climate Change – Shifting patterns of water availability –

More people – 6.5 to 9 billion people by 2050
More calories & more meat, fish, milk
More food production –grain production increase 70 to 100% by 2050

Water Use – Today and 2050

■ Evapotranspiration by irrigation ■ Evapotranspiration by rainfall
■ Without productivity improvement (worst case) ■ Irrigation withdrawals



Based on IWMI WaterSim analysis for the CA

Without Water Productivity Gains,

Crop ET doubles by 2050

Water Management



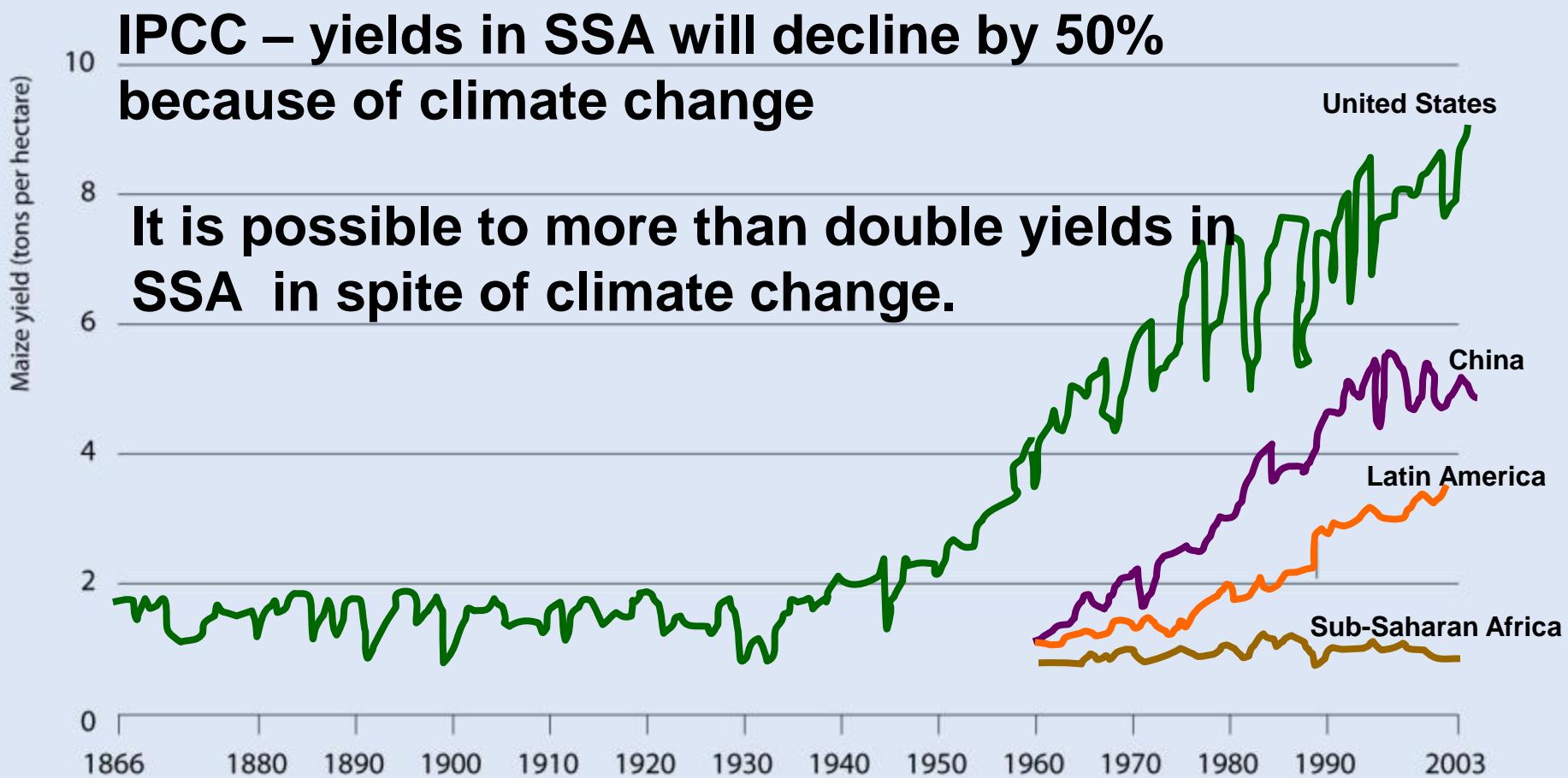
Strategies

Major Pathways to Meet Future Food & Water Demands

1. Improve water productivity (more food/water)
 - Irrigation systems
 - Rainfed systems
2. Expand irrigated & rainfed agriculture
3. Promote trade from highly productive to less productive regions
4. Manage demand, consume and waste less



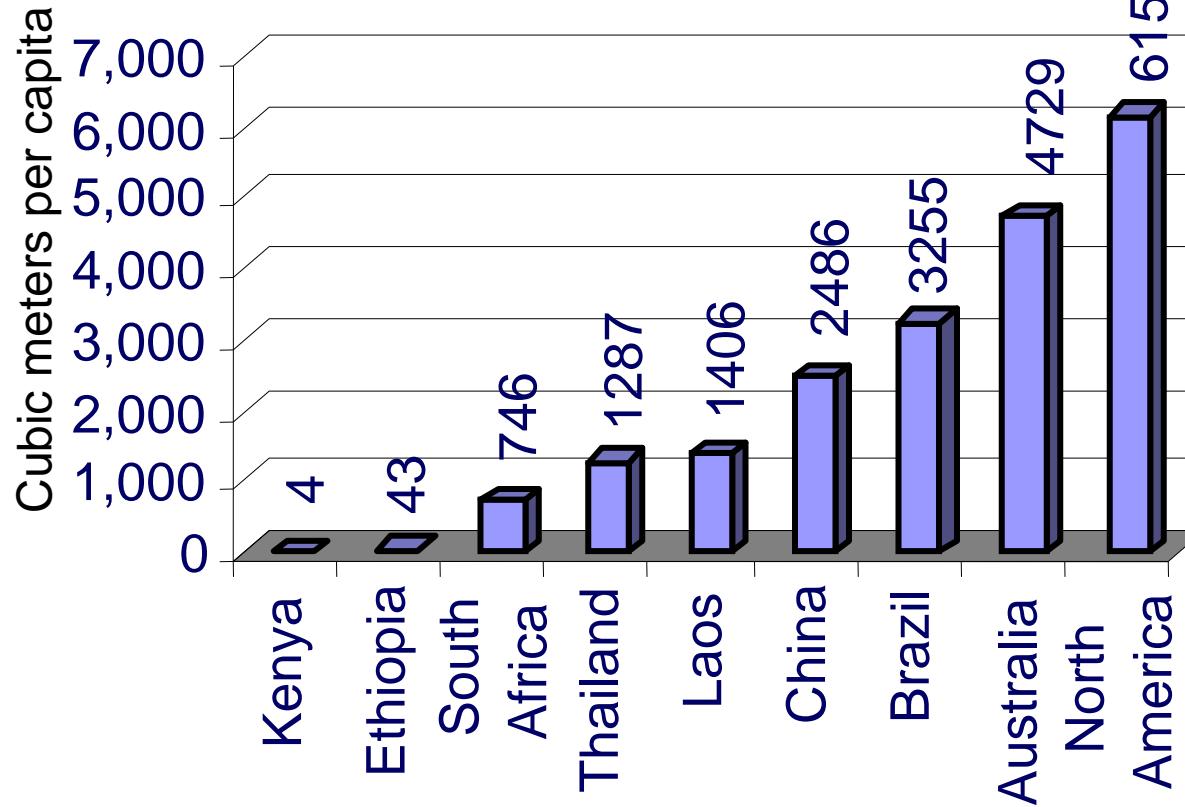
Growth in Yields



Source: U.S. data, U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service; all other countries and regions, FAOStat.

Re-think Water Storage for Climate Change

Adaptation, Water and Food Security

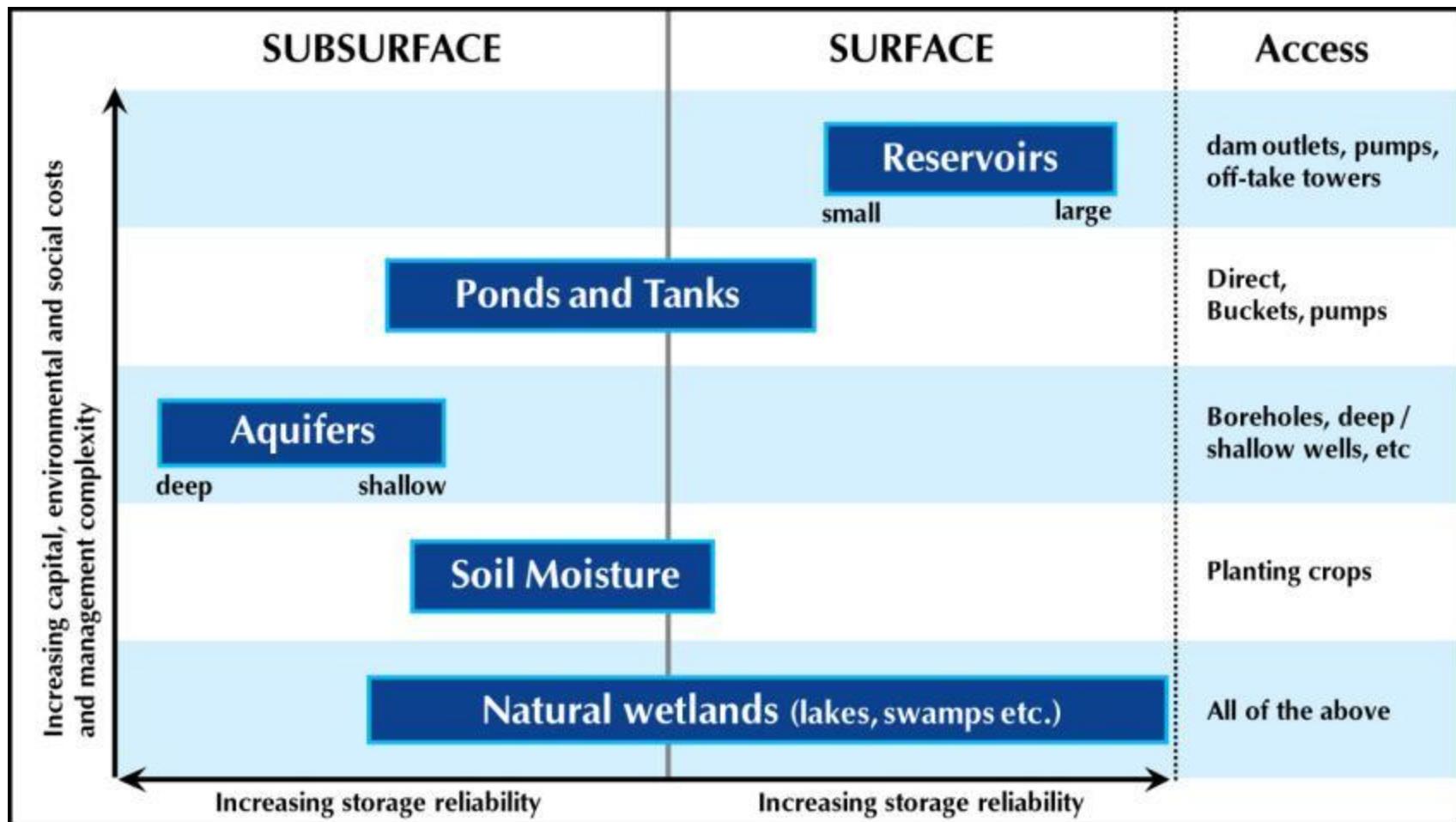


Source: World Bank data from ICOLD

But need to re-think water storage: role of groundwater and soil moisture.

And beyond: insurance, local trade, ...

Physical Water Storage Continuum

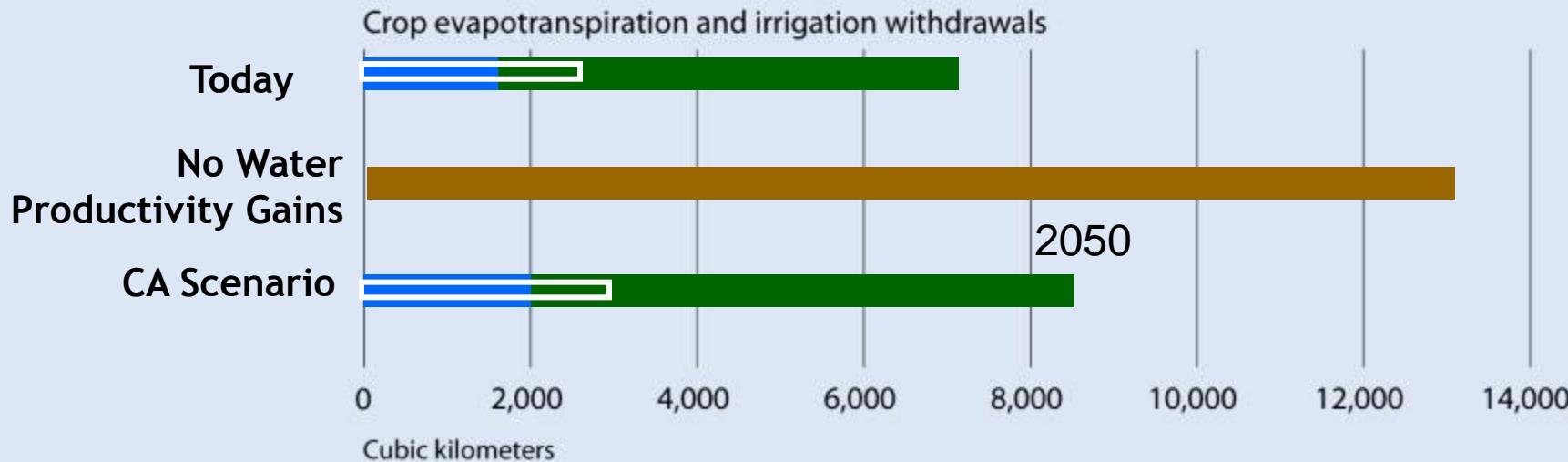


Making it happen

- Water governance & management
- Incentives to signal scarcity
- Its not just about technologies, but about markets, institutions, capacity
- Seek opportunities:
 - Integration
 - Focus on women
 - Agricultural Water Mmgnt falls between institutional cracks

Water Use – Today and 2050

■ Evapotranspiration by irrigation ■ Evapotranspiration by rainfall ■ Difference (pessimistic – optimistic)
■ Without productivity improvement (worst case) ■ Irrigation withdrawals



CA Scenario: Policies for productivity gains, upgrading rainfed, revitalized irrigation, trade; reducing waste can further reduce water needs

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Water and Food Agenda

Transform water governance for food,
livelihoods & environment

Adapt to rapid change and climate change

Groundwater governance

Data and monitoring to support adaption

Rethink water storage

Manage water demand

Grow more food per unit of water

Revitalize irrigation, upgrade rainfed ag



A young African boy with a shaved head is smiling broadly, showing his teeth. He is wearing a red long-sleeved sweatshirt with the letters 'GOD' printed in large, white, textured letters. He is standing in a grassy field with a blurred background of trees and hills. The lighting suggests it is a sunny day.

Thank you