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*Les impacts du changement  
climatique sur l'eau et  
l'alimentation*

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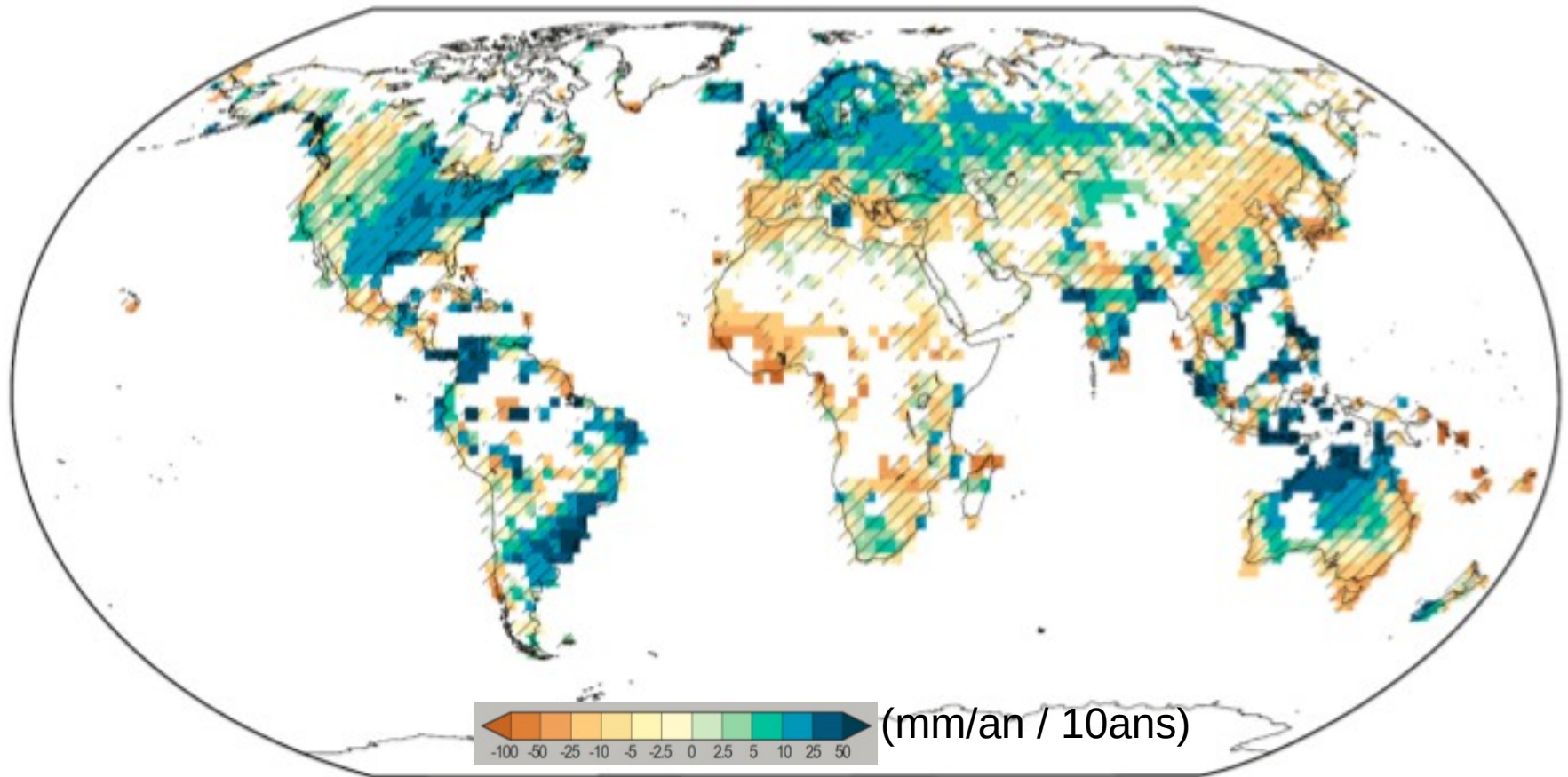
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*Present impact of climate change*

*1 - Determinants of Precipitation  
are evolving*

# Accentuation precipitation contrast since 1951

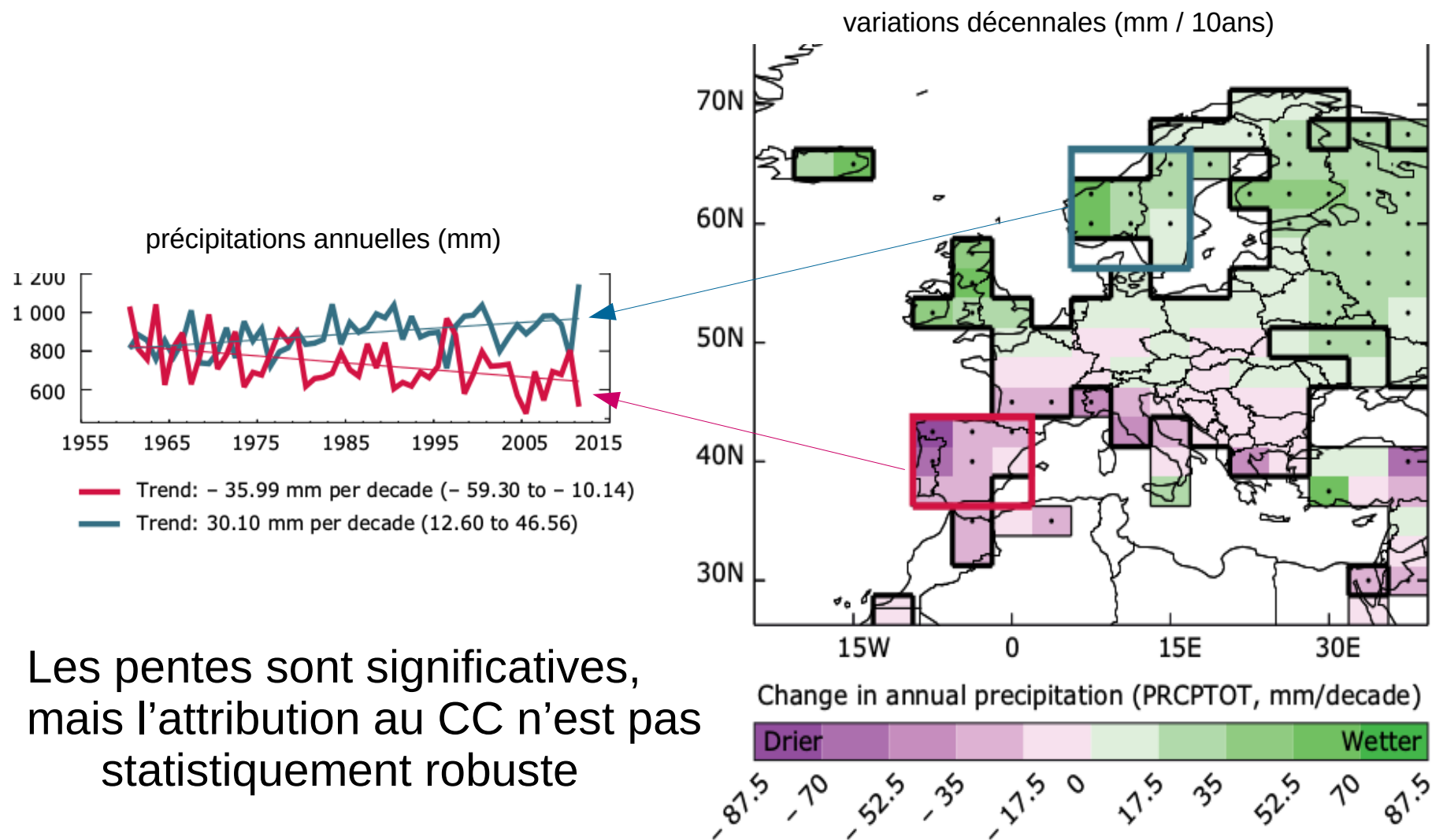


- => P -- au Sahel
- => P + nord-Eurasie
- => suspicion de variations ailleurs

# Total precipitations (rain, snow, ...)

## Observed variations between 1960 and 2012

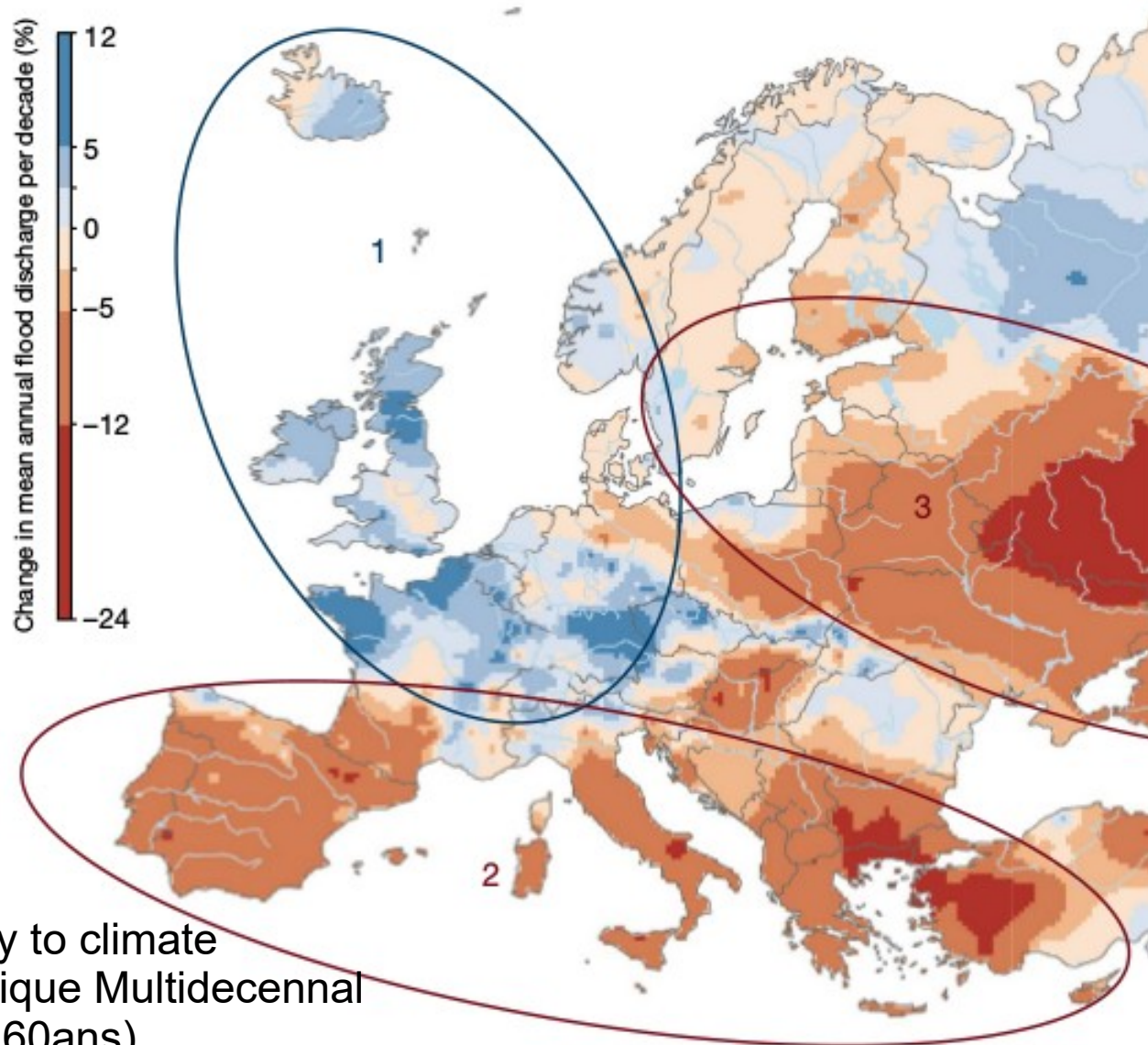
AEE (2012)



Les pentes sont significatives,  
mais l'attribution au CC n'est pas  
statistiquement robuste

# River High flows

Variation of annual high flow maximum 1960 – 2010 (% / decade)



not linked only to climate  
(AMO : Atlantique Multidecennal  
Oscillation, ~ 60ans)

# Some significant trends on precipitations since 1959

Couleur des symboles

- Augmentation
- Augmentation faible
- Pas d'évolution
- Diminution faible
- Diminution

Taille des symboles

- Confiance élevée
- Confiance modérée
- Confiance faible

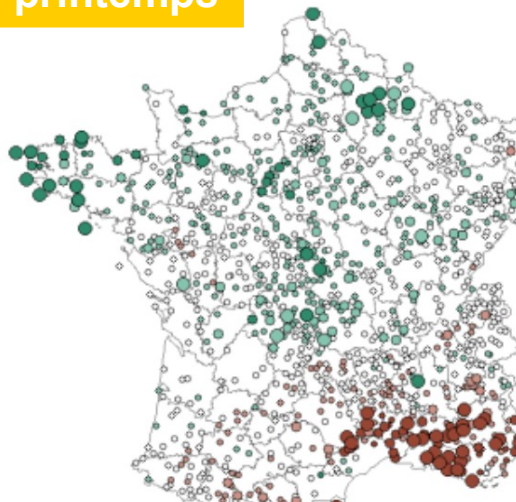
Peu de grosses tendances significatives sauf :

- augmentation l'hiver Nord
- augmentation l'automne SE Massif Central, voire Nord
- diminution Midi

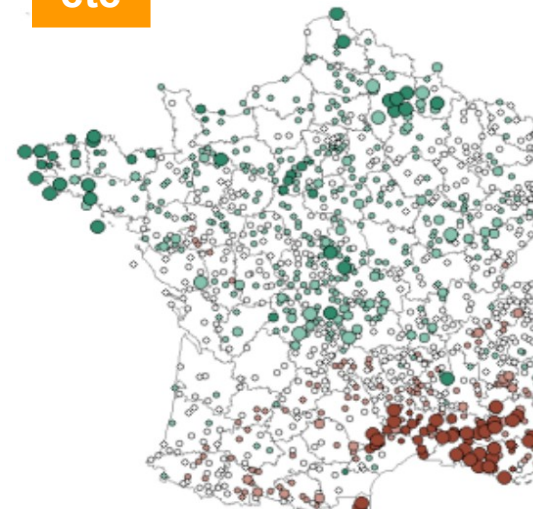
*Tendances plus faibles sur 100 ans*

(60ans = variabilité multidécennale)

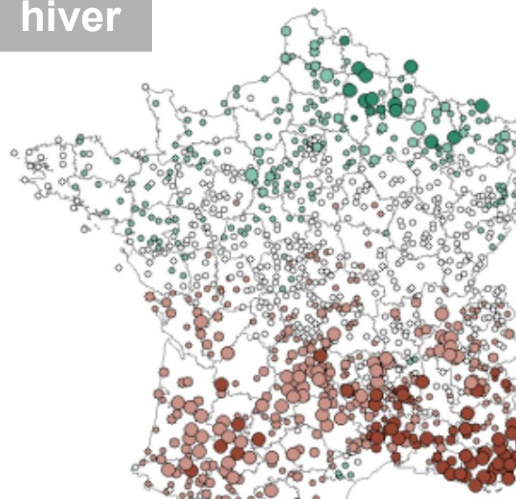
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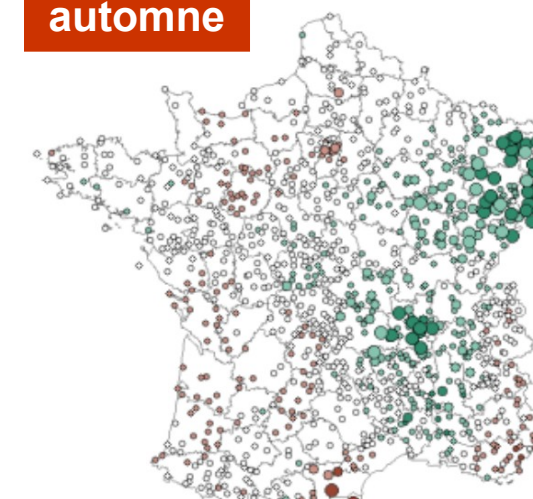
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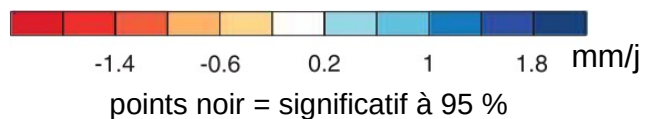
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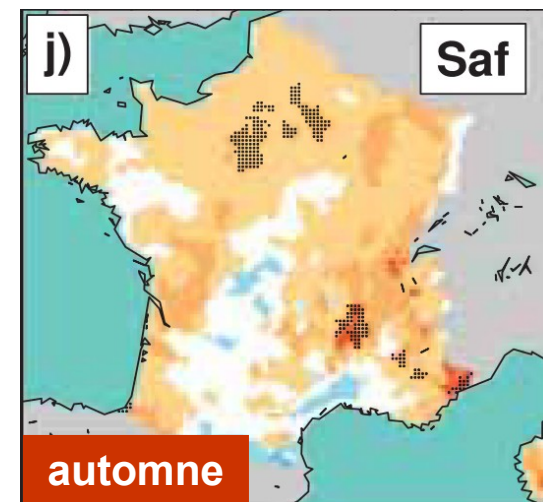
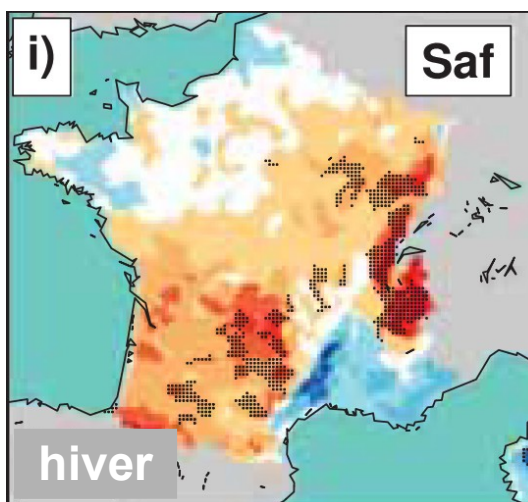
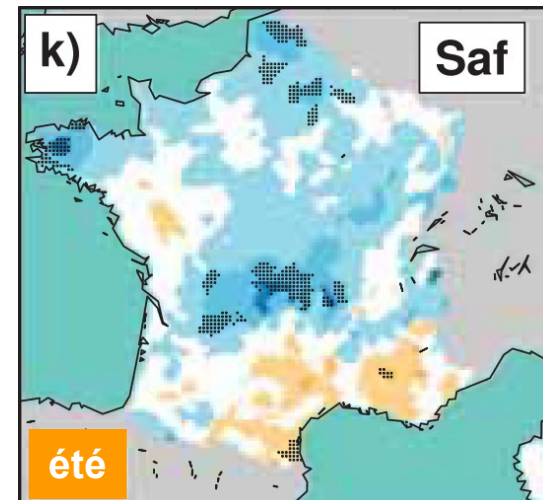
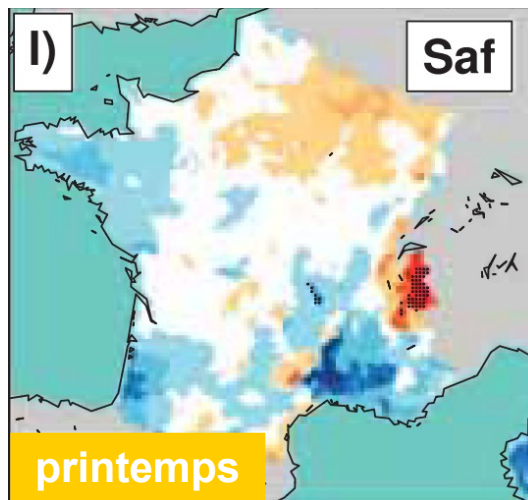
# Some significant trends on seasonal precipitations between 1979-2010



Peu de grosses tendances significatives sauf :

- baisse printemps Alpes N
- augmentation l'été Centre et N  
baisse Midi
- baisse l'automne N et SE
- baisse l'hiver diag. SW-NE

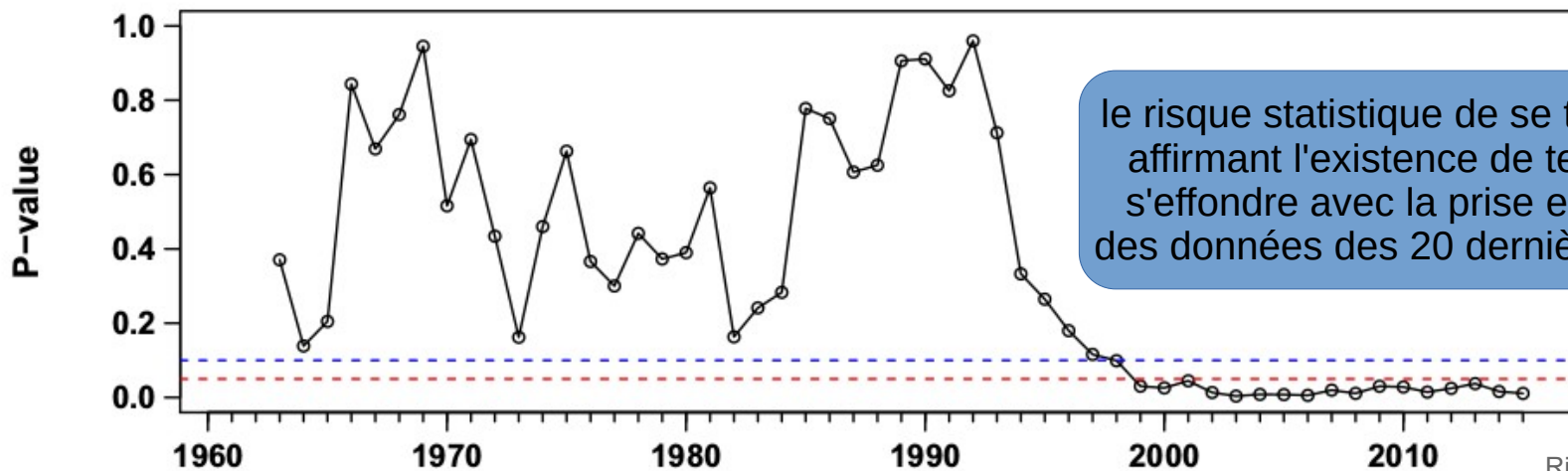
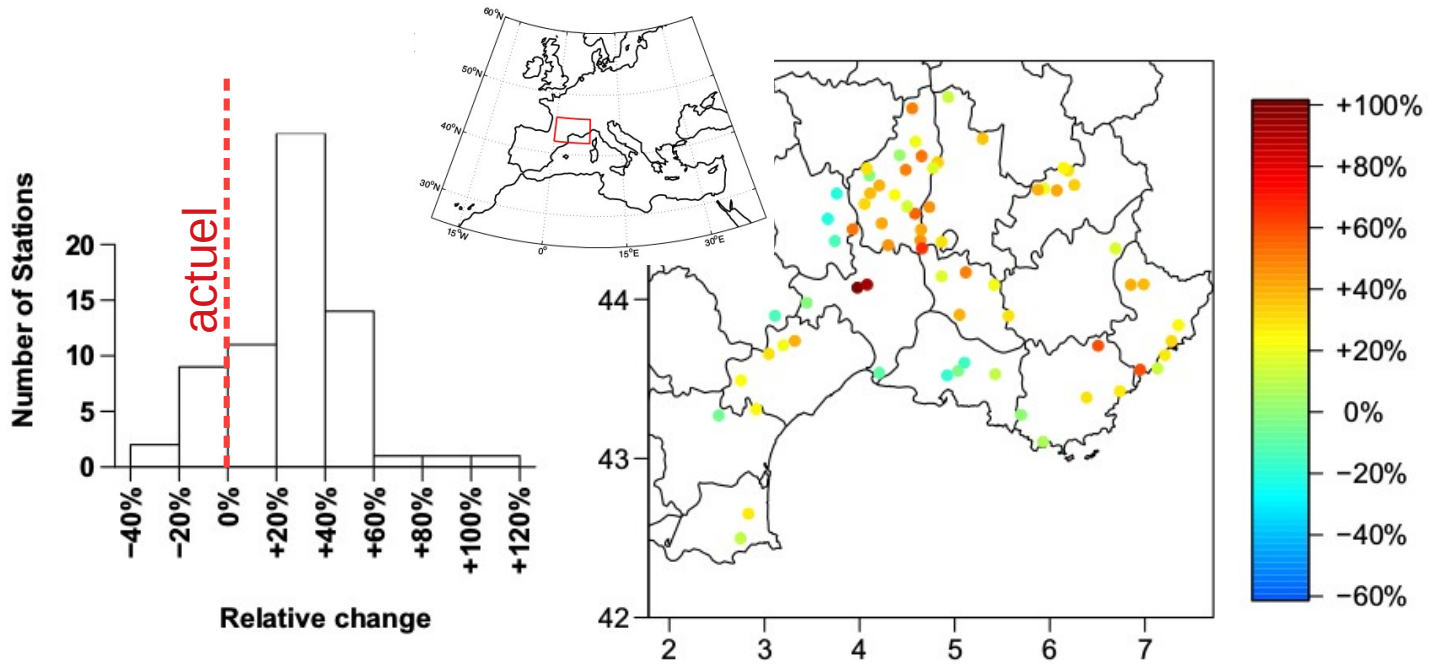
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# Meteorologic Extremes :

## Significant trends on heavy rainfalls, south-East France

Variations sur 50 ans des maxima annuels des pluies journalières



Ribes et al (2017)



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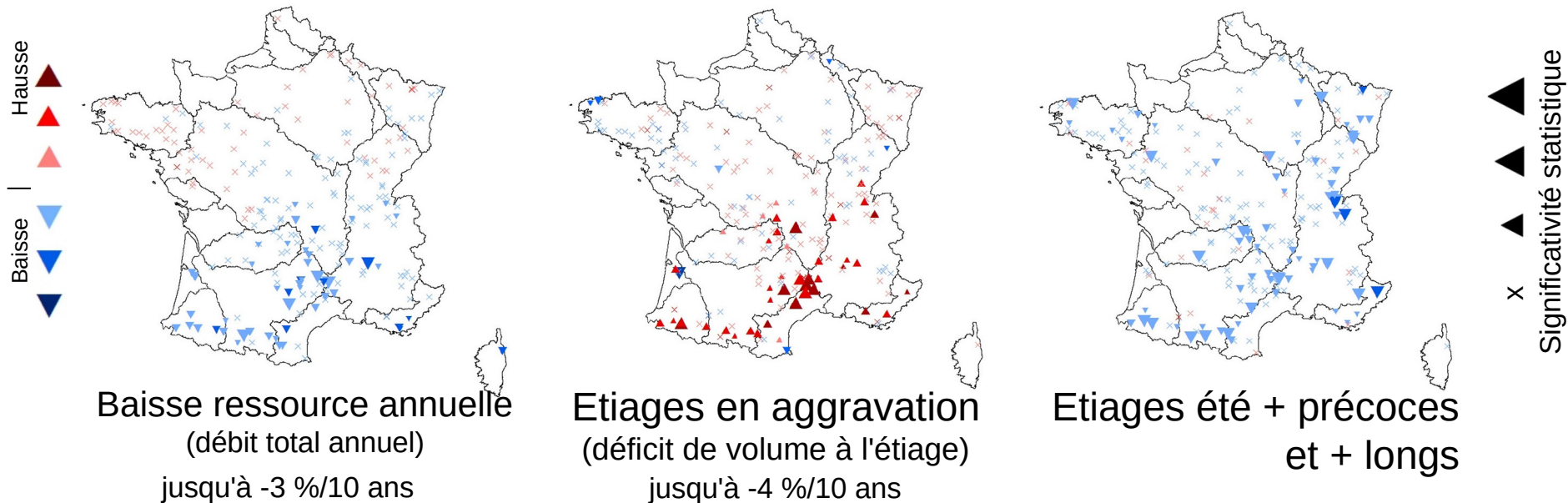
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*Present impact of climate change*

*2 - Impacts on water resources*

# River flow reacts to the climate of last 40 years

Une sensibilité au climat perceptible sur 40 ans



- Peu de tendance sur les crues journalières.
- les débits augmentaient souvent 1940-1980 (optimum)  
en lien avec la variabilité climatique ~60 ans

Giuntoli, Maugis, Renard (2012)

# Sometimes, nival river flow seasonal regime changes

Une rivière indicatrice au fonctionnement naturel : Le Chéran

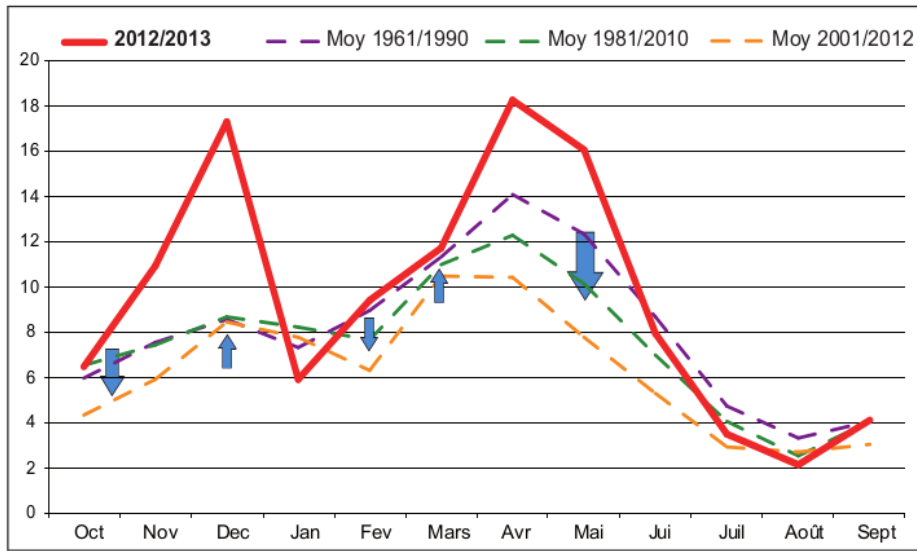


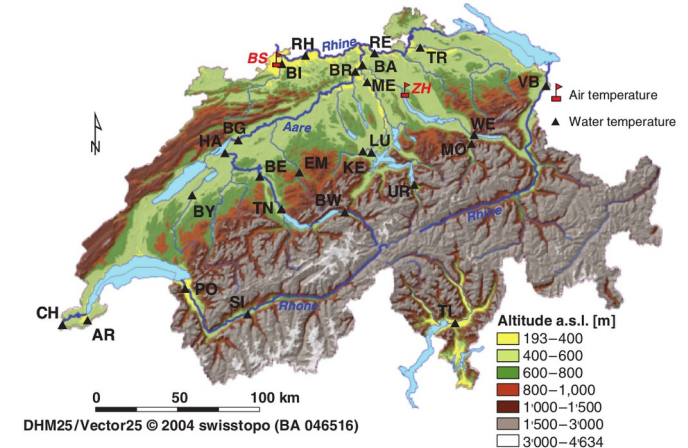
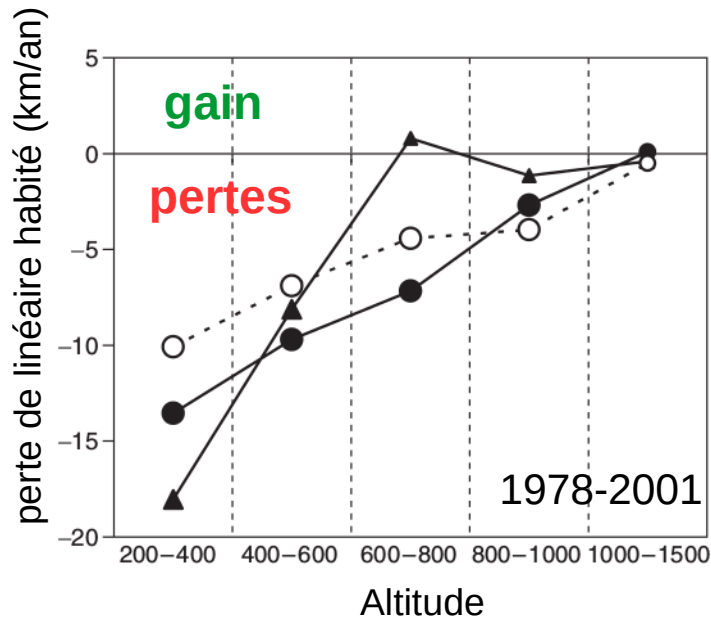
Fig.1. Débits moyens mensuels mesurés en m<sup>3</sup>/s à Allèves dans le massif des Bauges, d'octobre à septembre (année hydrologique), et de 1961 à 2013. Flèches bleues : tendances mensuelles ou saisonnières observées sur le long terme. Sources : DREAL, HYDRO - MEDD/DE, traitement MDP73.



- Changement progressif du **cycle** (nival → pluvial) :
  - baisse générale de la ressource
  - baisse du soutien aux débits de fonte : printemps (crue) et été (étiage)
  - accroissement relatif des crues d'hiver

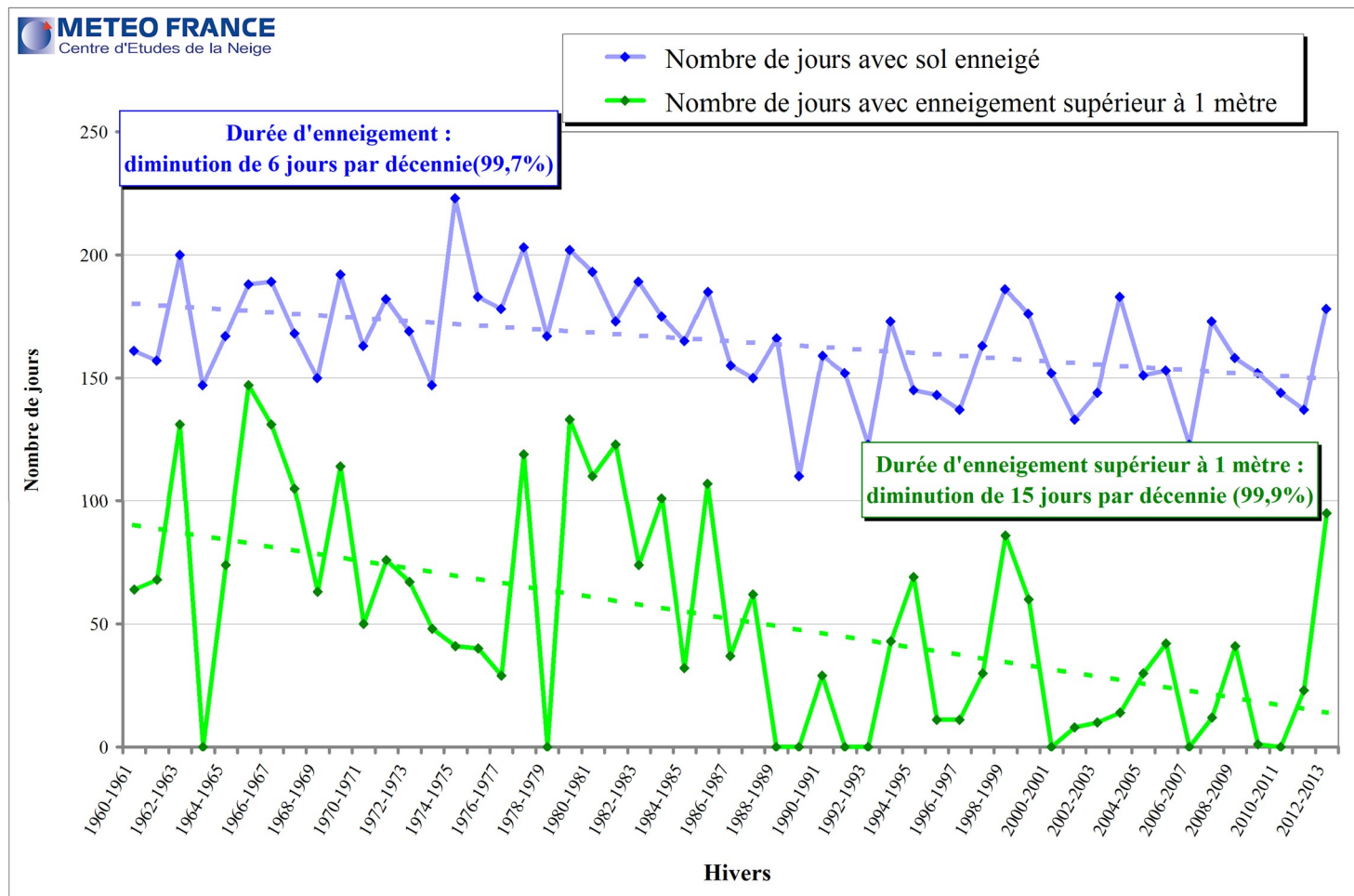
# Freshwater fish species withdraw

La population de truite brune baisse dans les rivières de moyenne altitude  
→ un **habitat en recul**, lié principalement aux températures de l'eau ↗



# Snow pack diminishes

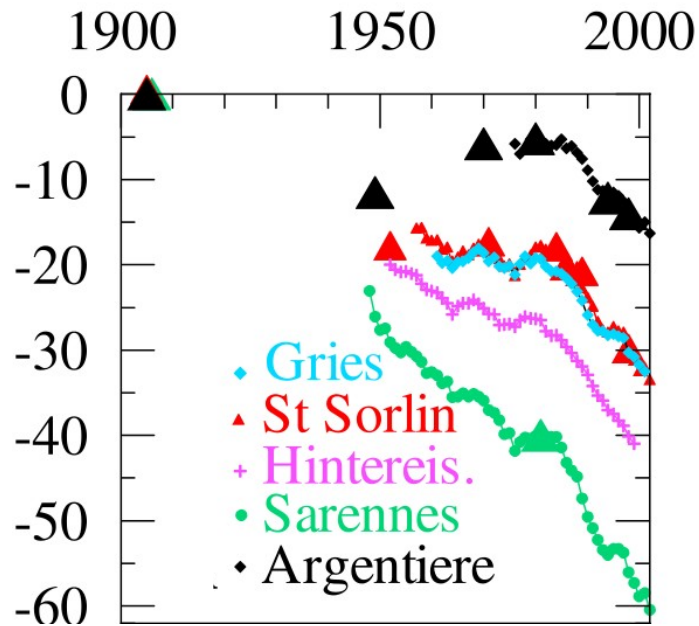
Depuis 1960



# Melting glaciers

## Less low-flow support

D'abord due, depuis 1830, à la baisse des précipitations neigeuses puis à l'augmentation des températures estivales depuis 1980



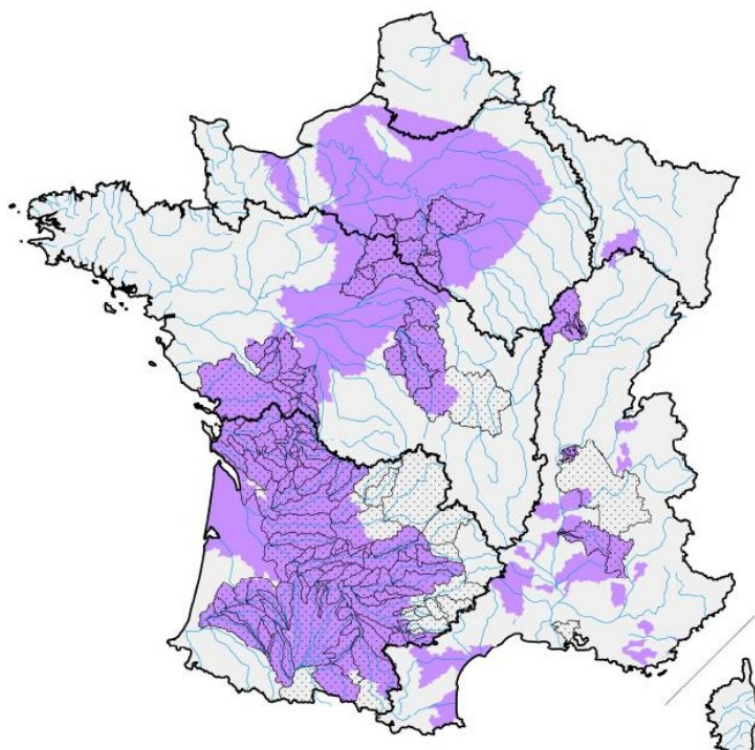
Baisse du volume de  
quelques glaciers  
alpins  
(équivalent en mètres d'eau)



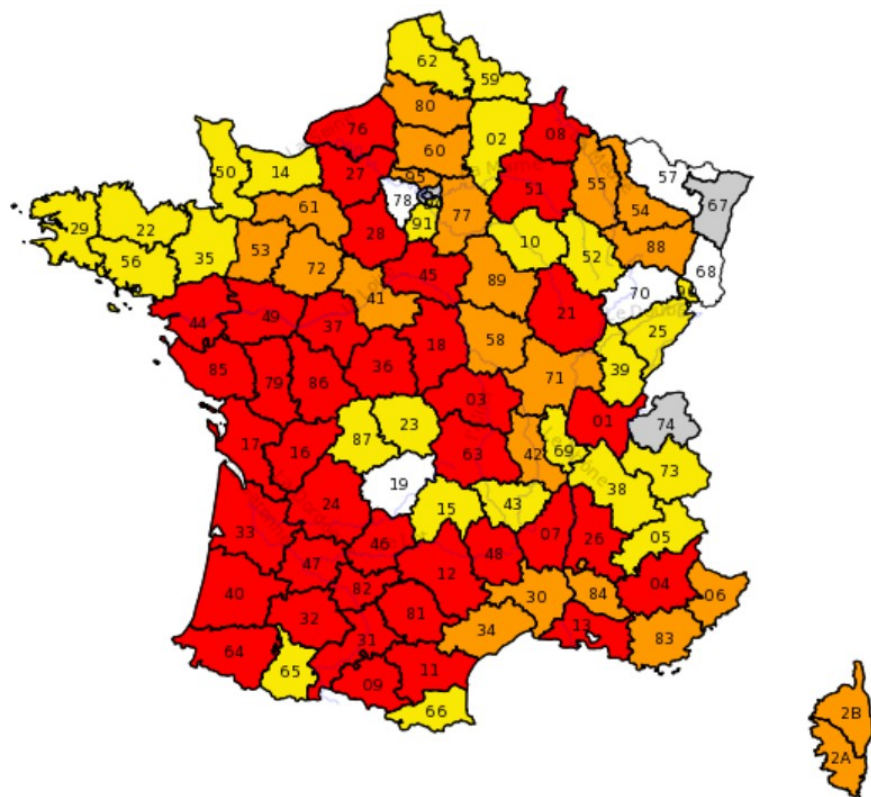
# Water resources : abundant yet scarce

## Present state of surface and ground-waters

**Zone des Répartition des Eaux**  
(où il y a conflit d'usages)  
=> l'essentiel des grands aquifères



**Arrêtés "Sécheresse" août 2017**  
(limitation des usages par le Préfet)  
=> 86 départements concernés



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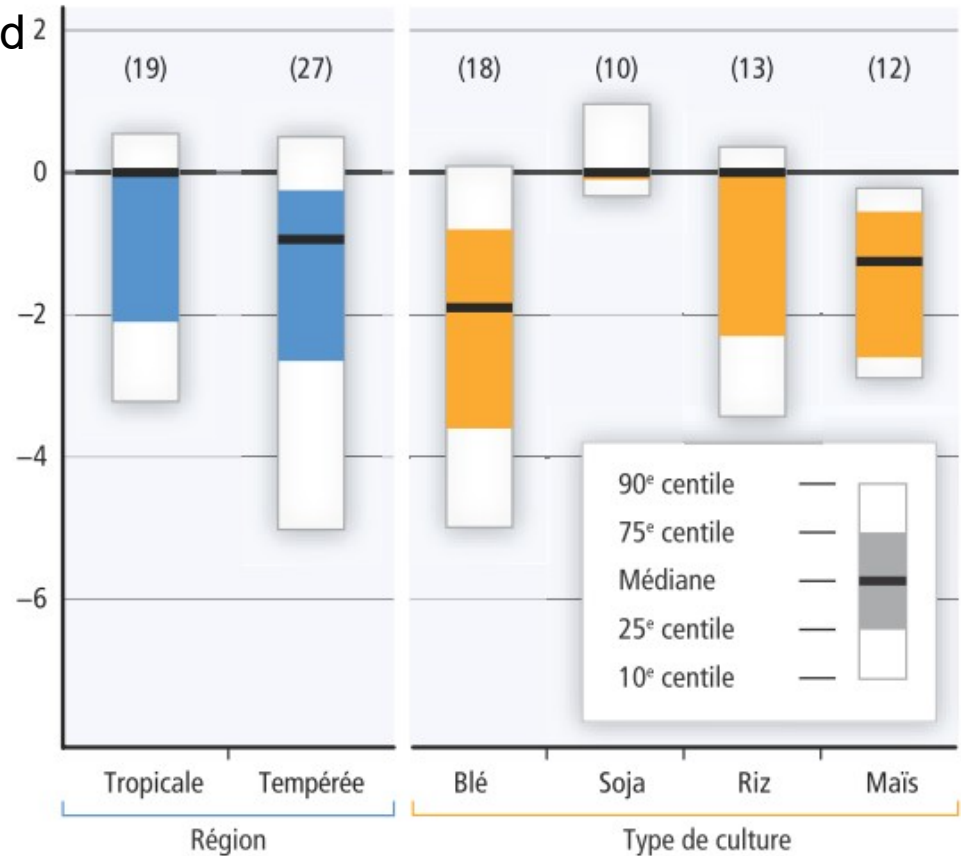
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*3 - Impact on food production*



# Agricultural yields regress

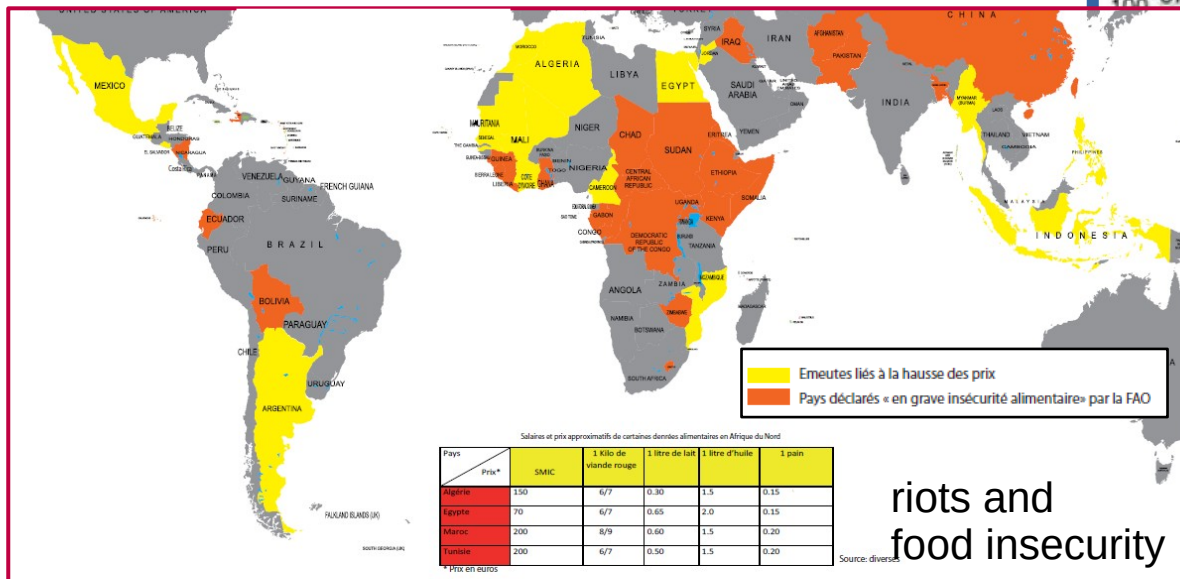
- temperate regions are more impacted than tropics
- 0-2% yield loss few exceptions
- other factors affecting yield
  - soil depletion
  - lack of water, working force, know-how
  - access to inputs (€)
  - desertification
  - urban spread
  - land conversion for agrobusiness (oleaginoux, agrofuel)
  - competition with photovoltaïque



# 2008 food crisis

## Hunger riots in a globalized system

- année trop sèche en Chine + trop humide au Canada  
=> légère baisse de production mondiale
- accentuée par absence de stock (gestion en flux tendus, 3 mois max)  
spéculation sur les denrées  
stress hydrique chronique  
vulnérabilité micro-économique
- pays riches servis en premier (Moyen Orient)
- explosion des prix en Afrique  
=> émeutes



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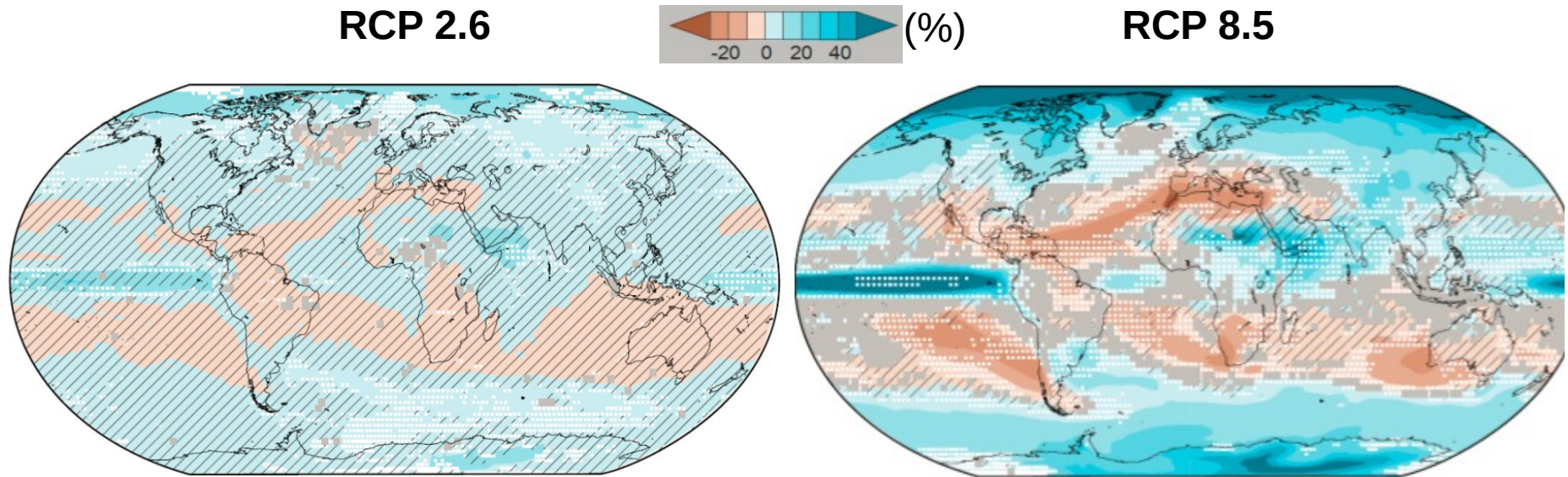
### *Impacts to come*

#### *1 - An even scarcer water*

# Decrease in water resources

## Precipitations : a few large hotspots

### évolution des précipitations ~ 2081-2100



légères variations dépendant des modèles

Tendances plus robustes

=> P – régions tropicale & Méditerranée

=> P + mousson asiatique, zones boréales

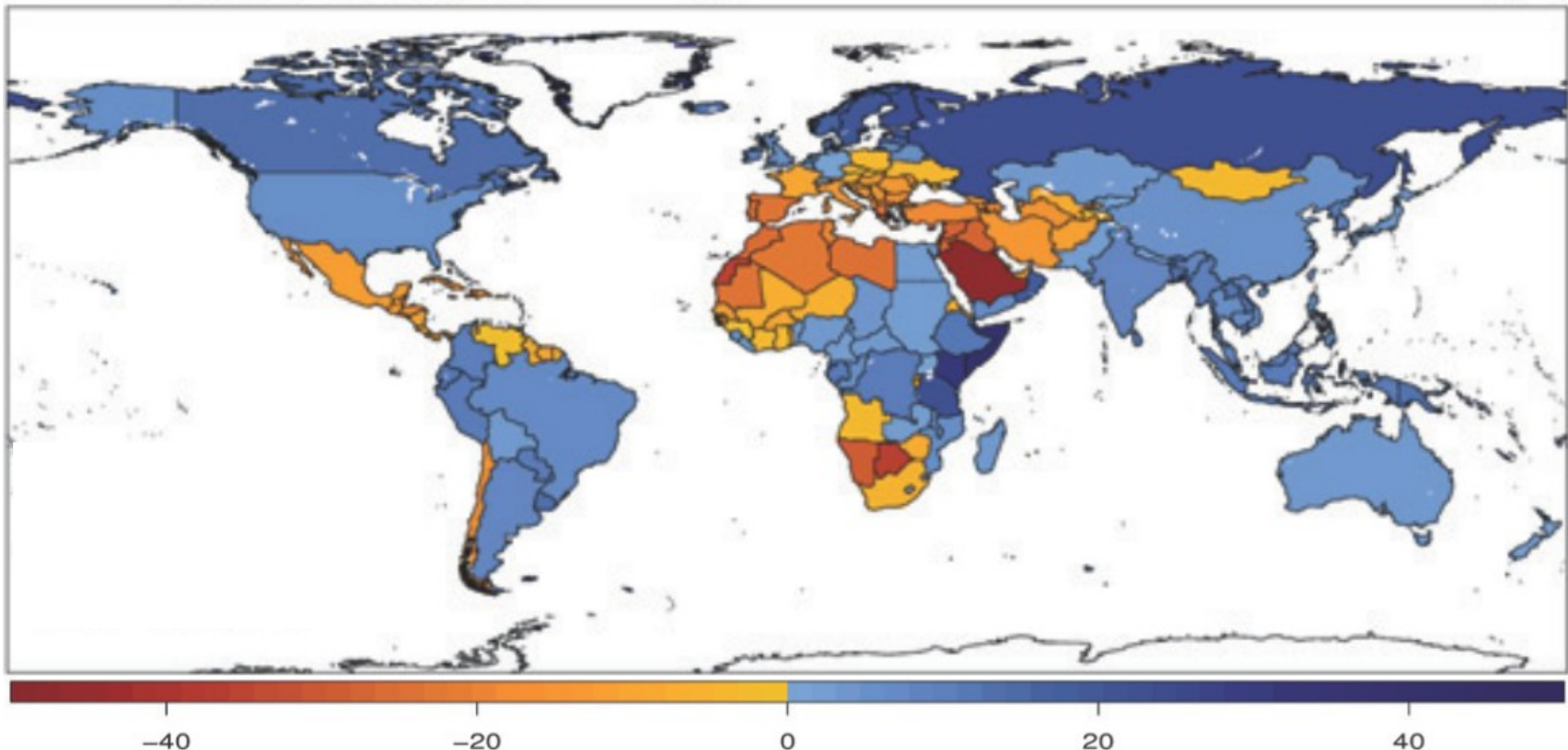
! modélisation très incertaine par les modèles climatiques !  
des rétroactions importantes manquent (nuages, surface continentale...)  
=> peut être localement bien pire (ou un peu moins grave)

GIEC AR5 (2014)

# Decrease in water resources

## Exacerbated tensions in tropics and Mediterranean

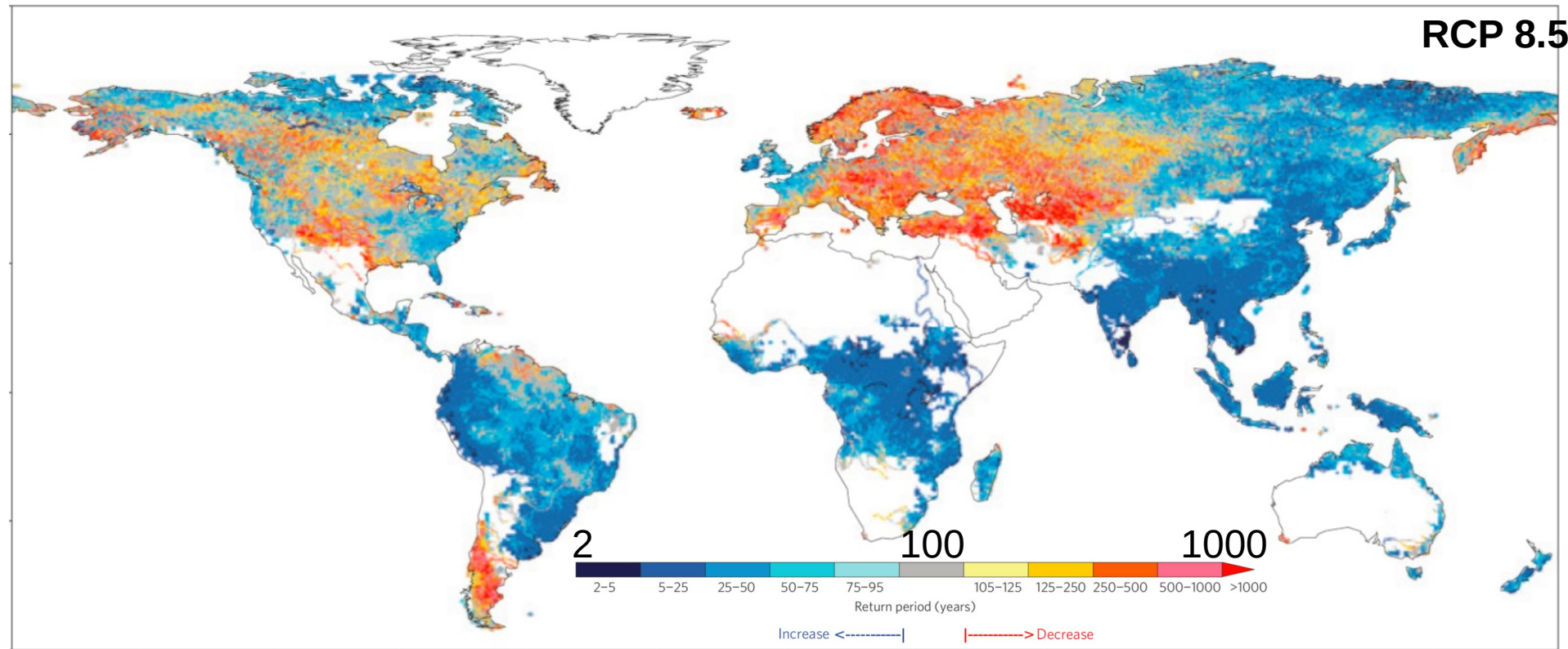
Variation (%) entre 2000 et 2080 des ressources en eau disponibles après prélèvement par la végétation et les **cultures en place** (incluant l'irrigation si l'eau est disponible)



- pression accrue encore par la démographie, et usages émergents (alimentation carnée, agro-carburants, ...)
- haute spécificité de chaque pays / région

# A little too much water too

Return period of presently centennial floods ~2080

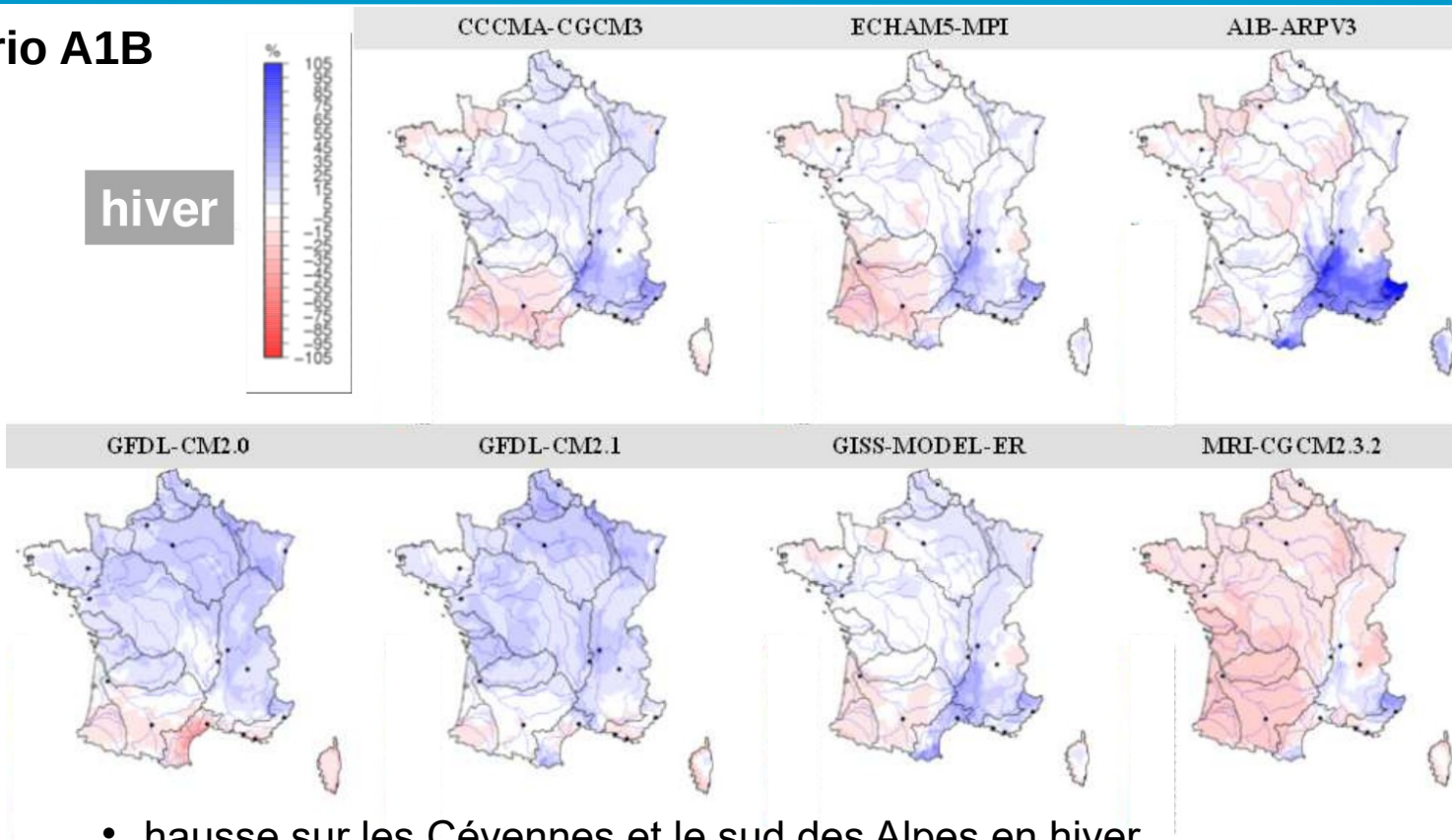


- l'Asie particulièrement touchée (topographie & densité population)
- d'autres estimations régionales => crues + en Europe du Nord

# Suspected yet unacertained precipitation trends (rain, snow) except during winter

## Scénario A1B

hiver

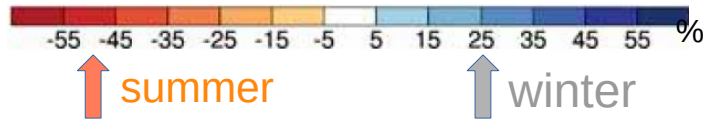


- hausse sur les Cévennes et le sud des Alpes en hiver
- baisse dans le sud-ouest en hiver (période de recharge des aquifères)
- Augmentation des précipitations extrêmes
- vents + violents dans la partie nord
- conséquences sur les forêts, les inondations, ...

Chauveau, Maugis et al. (2013)

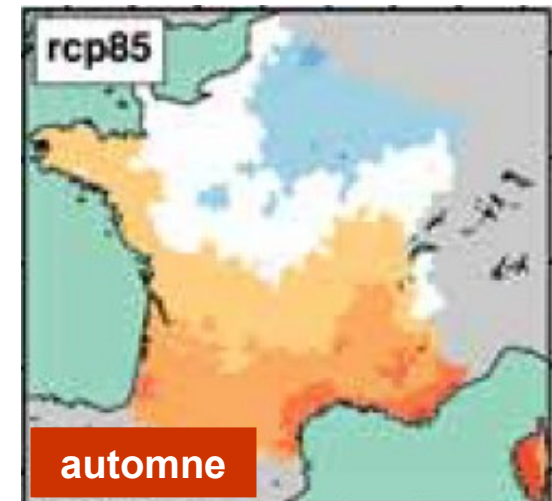
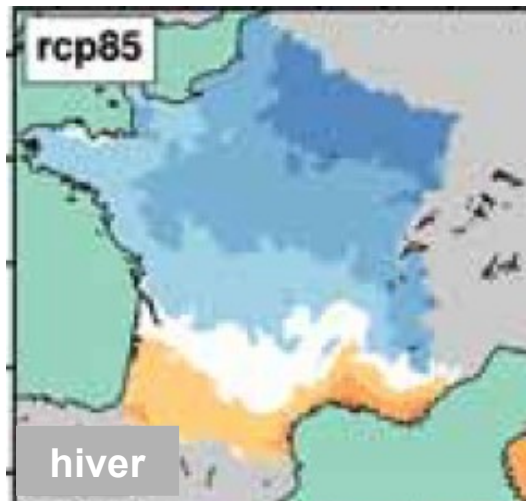
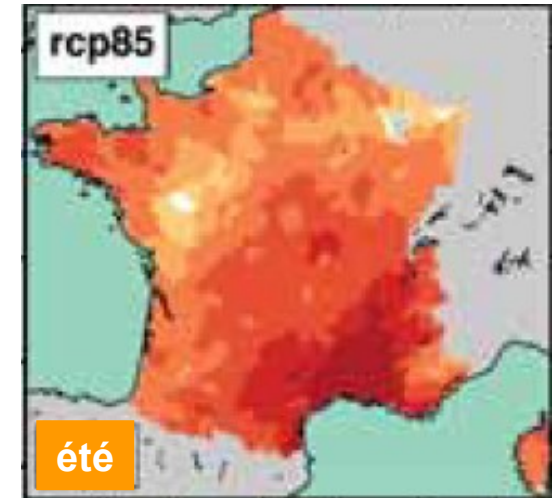
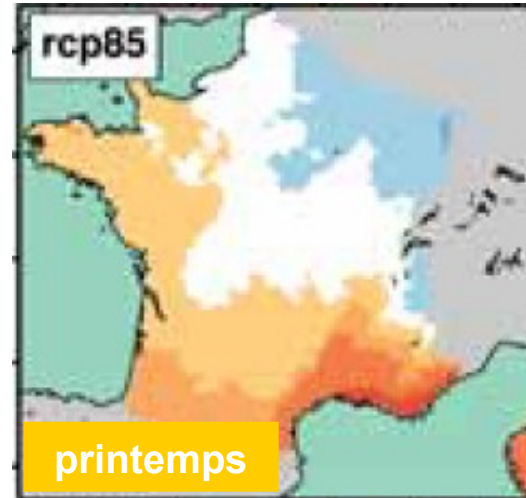
# Other say : Quite less summer rain, more in winter

## 2070-2100 compared to 1960-1990



Scénario à forte émission GES

- jusqu'à -50 % l'été
- jusqu'à +25 % l'hiver
- -0,8 mm/j annuels (sobre : -0,3)
- hausse possible sur les Cévennes
- baisse dans le sud-ouest et en période de recharge des nappes
- + précipitations extrêmes
- vents + violents, partie nord
- conséquences sur les forêts, les inondations, ...



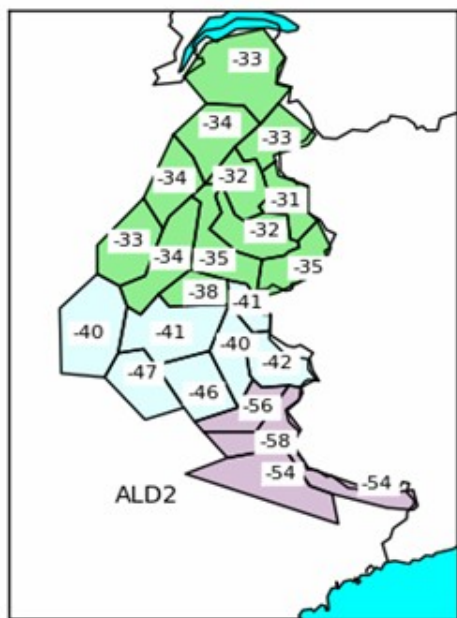


# Flickering snow pack

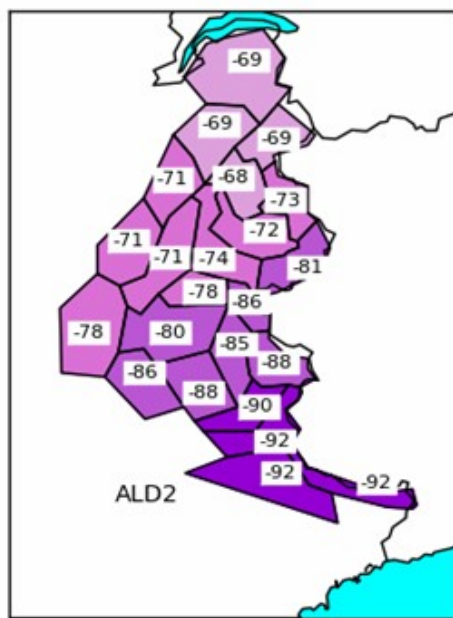
## Questionning winter sport resorts

Baisse marquée de l'enneigement en **moyenne montagne** et sur les **Alpes du Sud**

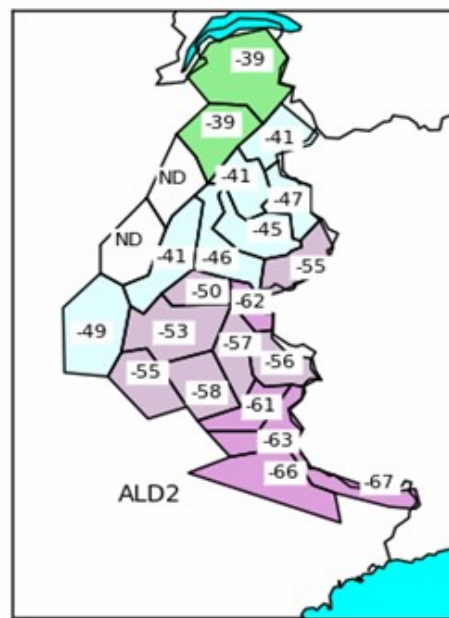
Equivalent en eau de la hauteur de neige en hiver (cm)



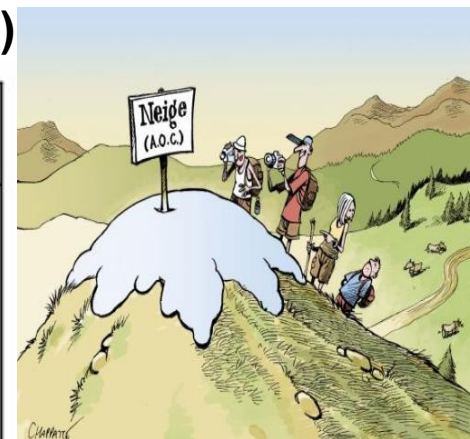
2030, 1800m



2080, 1800m



2080, 2400m



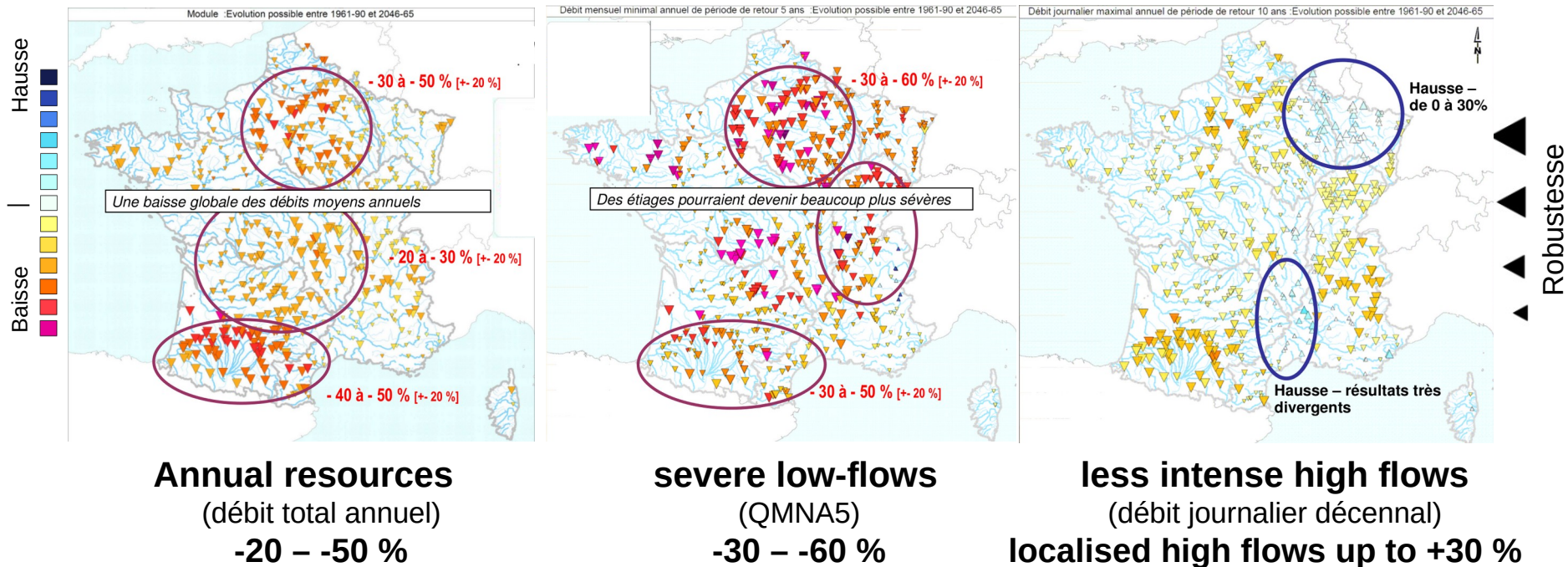
- baisse précipitations neigeuses + températures en hausse = Recul des glaciers
  - impact sur les sports d'hiver ; stations de ski en reconversion
- changement de régime des rivières à crue de printemps → hiver, étiages ▼

SCAMPEI (2012)

# Flow river collapse

## Drastic reduction in a few decades, heavy warming

Horizon 2055 (période 2040-2070)

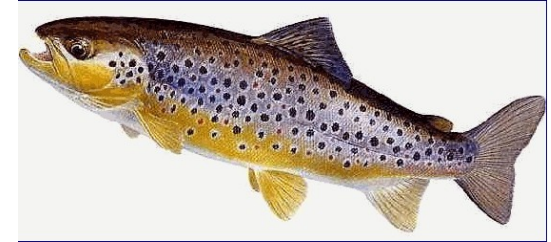


- Effect mainly from **evapo-transpiration increase**
- **Mean water Température** over France : + 1,6 ° C  
=> already a heavy pressure on ecosystems

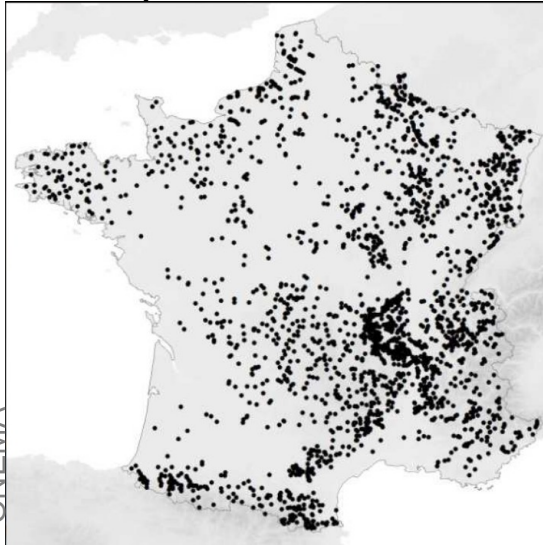
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# Impacts on fauna and aquatic biodiversity

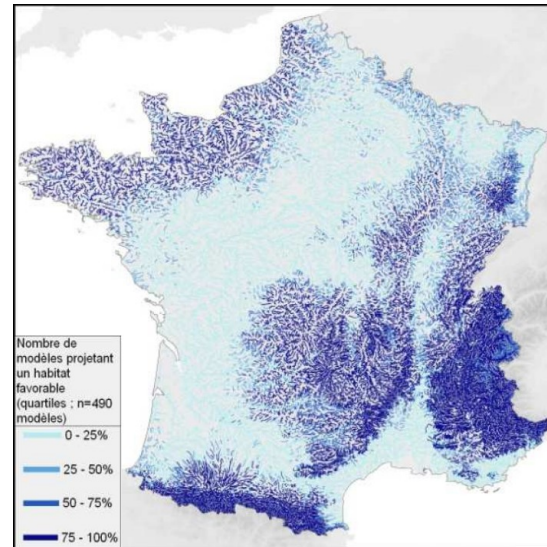
## Global drawback of fario trout habitats



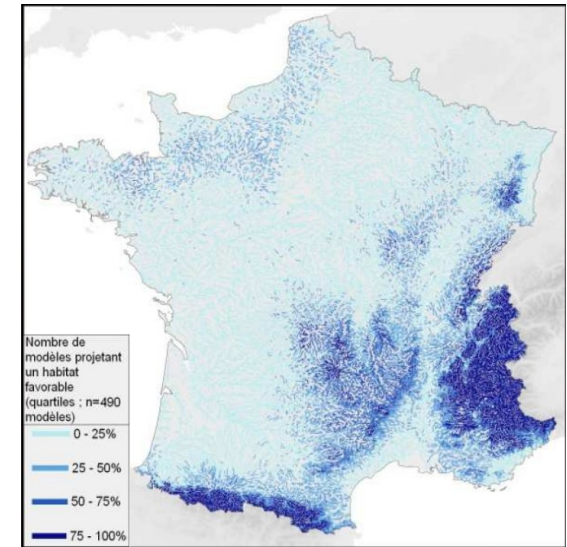
présence actuelle



modélisé actuel



Modélisé 2070

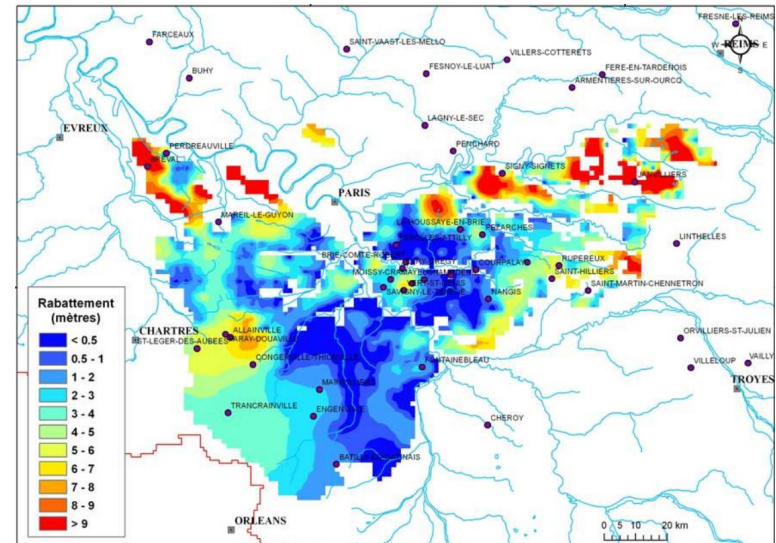
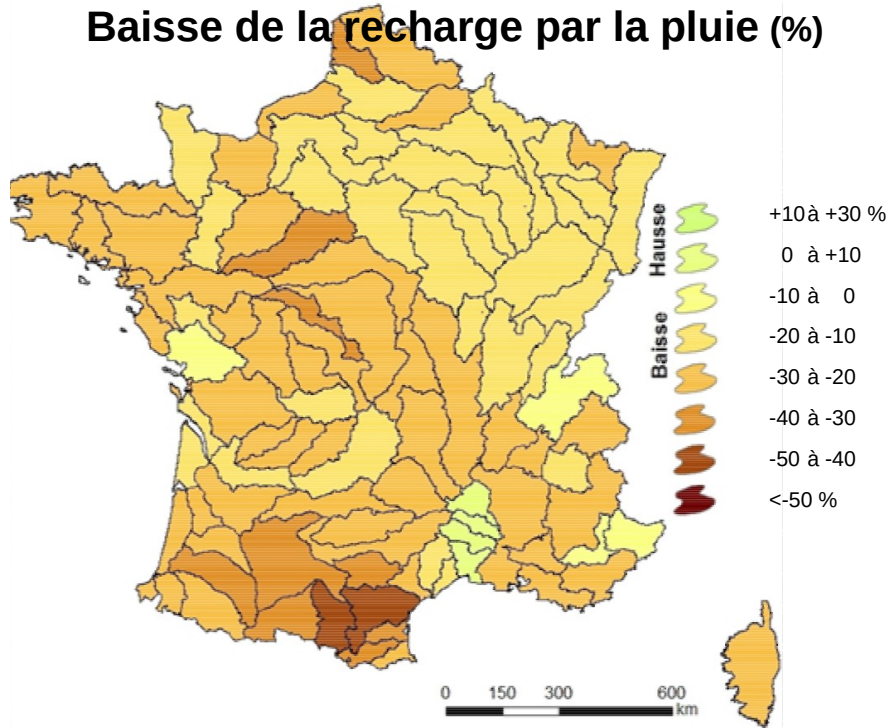


au profit d'espèces d'eaux plus chaudes (ex. toxostome)  
ou d'espèces invasives

# Heavily impacted groundwaters

## Aquifer recharge abated by lower rains and higher withdrawals

### Baisse de la recharge par la pluie (%)



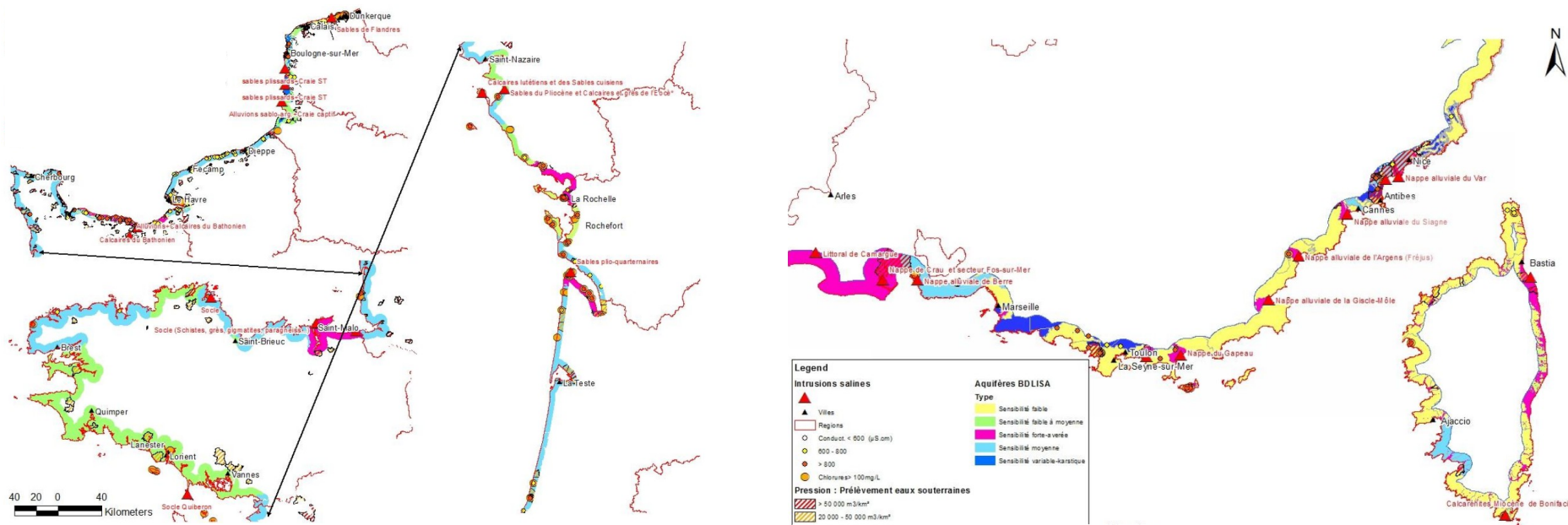
**Baisse de la nappe de Beauce ~ 2055  
due au climat et à l'eau potable  
(0 - 10m)**

Ajouter à cela :

- augmentation des prélèvements agricoles (jusqu'à +50%) & eau potable (migrations internes, tourisme)
- moins de contribution aux débits des rivières

**=> une ressource menacée** (épuisement, intrusion saline, ...)

# Coastal aquifers particularly affected by saline intrusion of marine water



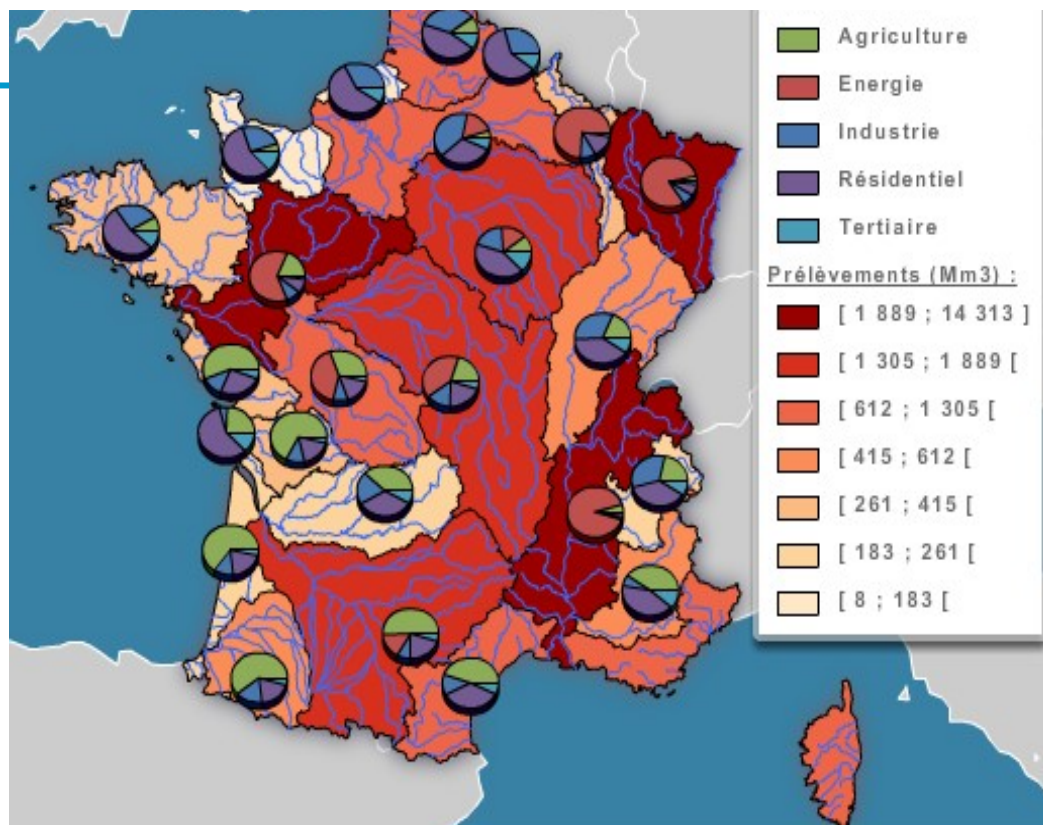
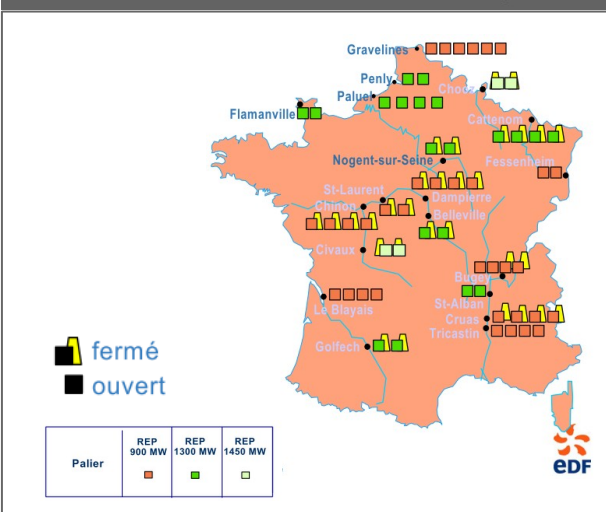
## Sensibilité à l'intrusion saline sous l'effet de l'augmentation du niveau de la mer et des prélèvements en eau potable des villes

- L'intrusion saline est déjà une menace actuelle sur l'AEP
- Aggravée par les effets directs et indirects du changement climatique
- Les lagunes et zones humides côtières sont également directement menacées

# Water usages

## Withdrawals 2006

### Les 19 centrales nucléaires françaises



### STRATEAU

Outil d'aide à la décision

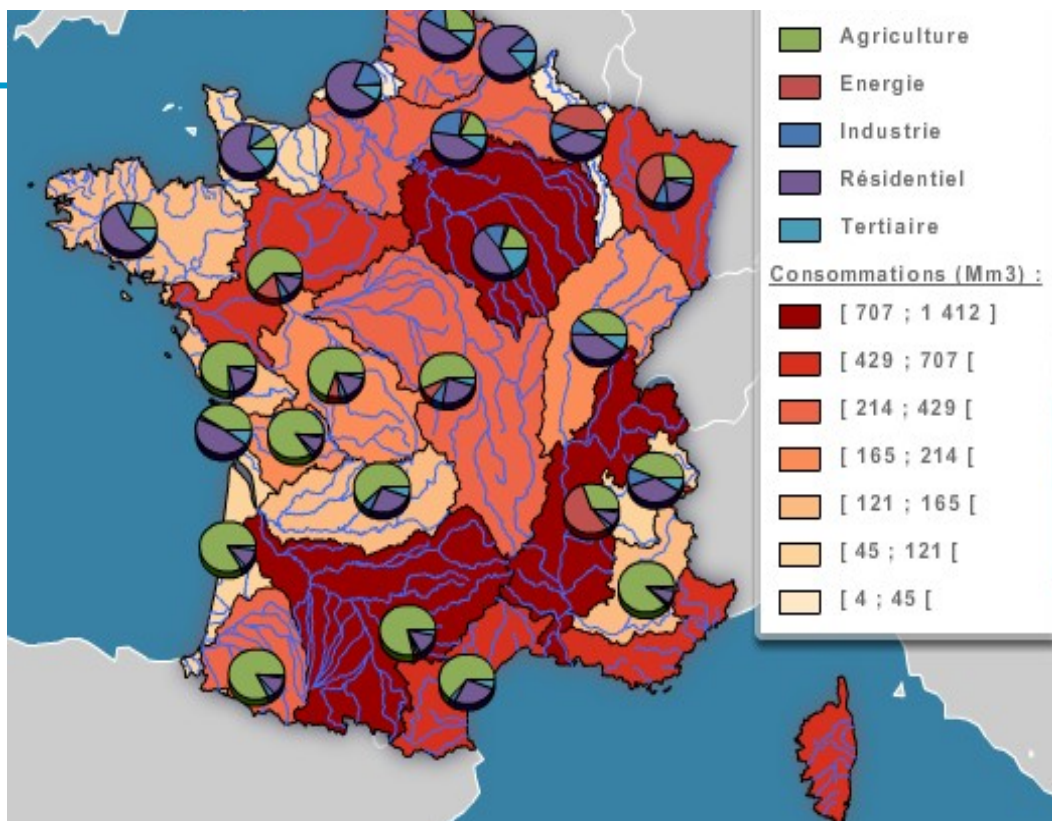
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# Water usages

## Consumption 2006

Production d'énergie =  
consommation associée :

- refroidissement centrales
- évaporation retenues
- agrocarburants
- bois de chauffage



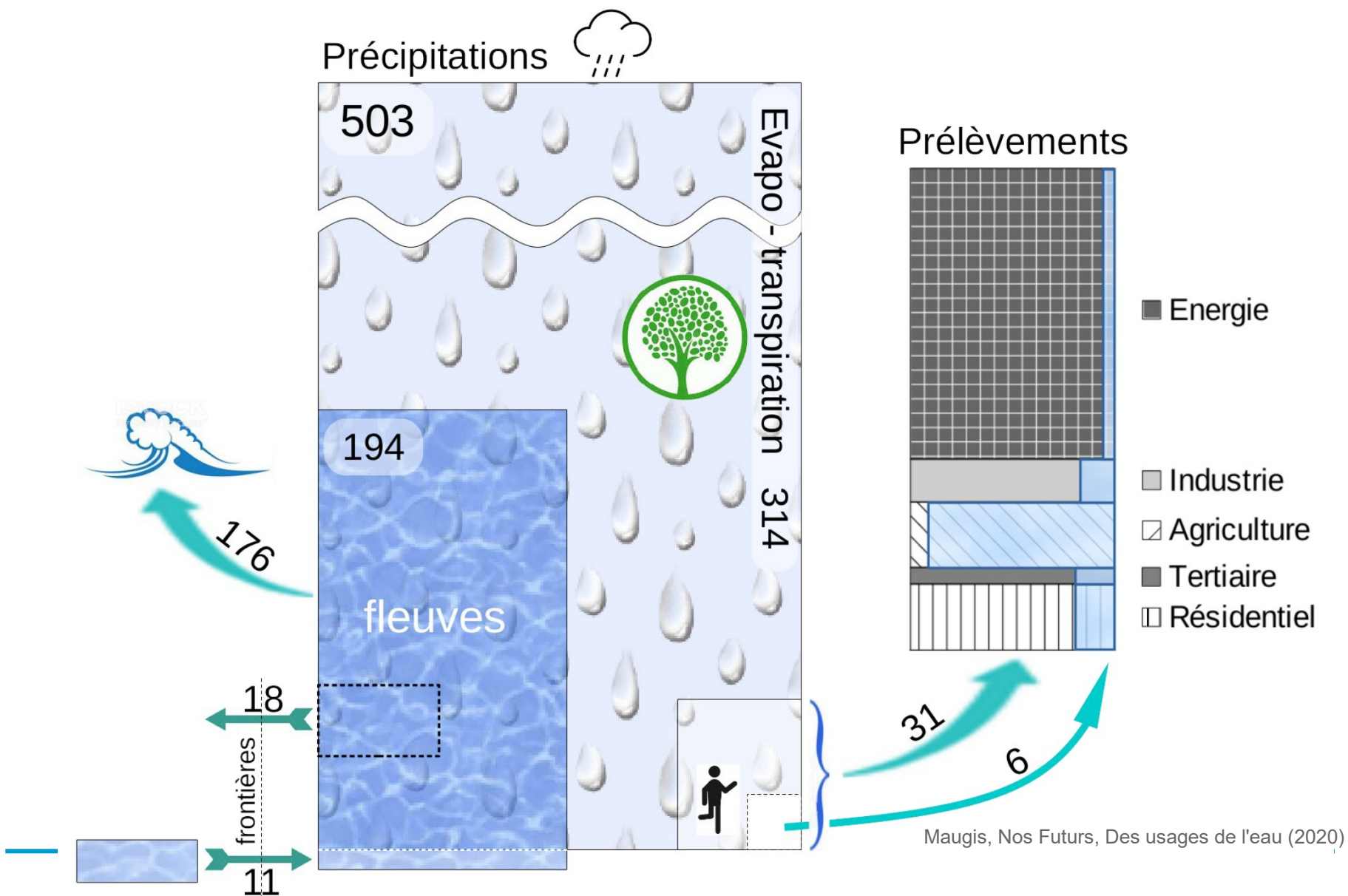
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# Water usages

## France water balance and use 2006





# Competing water uses that will require a new repartition

## Augmentation de la demande en eau en amont ...



neige artificielle



irrigation du fourrage



électrique pour climatisation

## ... avec des besoins maintenus ou accrus en aval



irrigation cultures



refroidissement centrales



démographie, rafraîchissement

# Some quantitative impacts not to forget

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- **Increase competition for water** by increasing demand :
  - Irrigation (including agrofuels), firewood
  - leisure, tap water, green areas (including urban refreshment)
  - inter-basins et cross-border transfers (Rhin, Rhône, Spain ?)
- Diversification of **dam** functions (energy stock, cooling capacity safeguarding, low-flow support, tap-water, leisure) => prioritizing ?
  - + difficulty just to fill them and keep water (évaporation)
- Water temperature increase
  - => **cooling and energy efficiency of power plants** ?
- Modification of flow and seasonal regime of rivers =>
  - **dilution potential of pollutants** (waste water station discharge,  $T_{\text{water}}$ , ...)  
during low-flows
  - rainwater and flood management if winter rains increase

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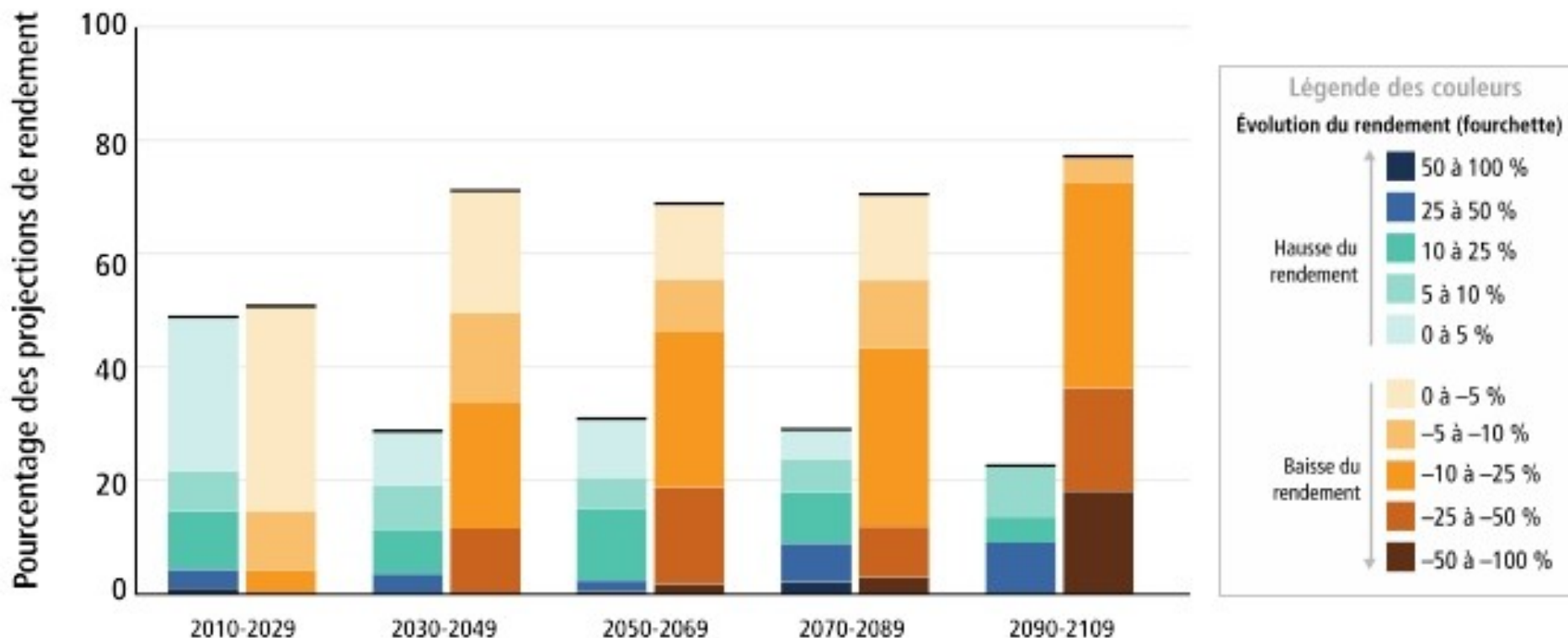
## *II*

### *Impacts to come*

#### *2 - A tricky agricultural production*

# Decrease in crop yield

## Contrasted but overall negative trends

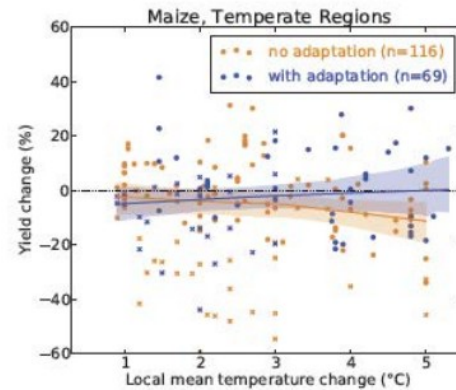


- Enjeu alimentaire mondial croisé avec échanges internationaux, démographie et habitudes alimentaires

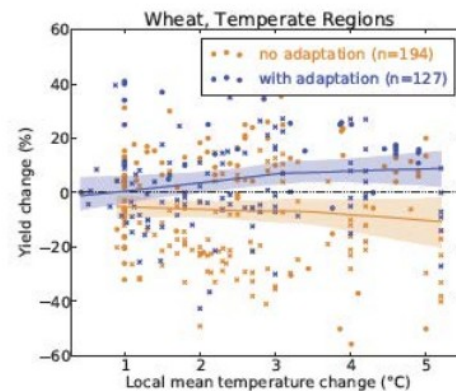
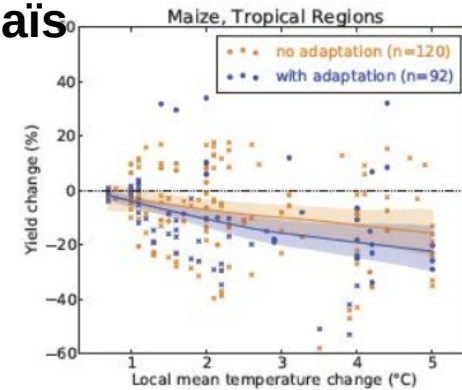
# Decrease in crop yield

## Depends on species and climate

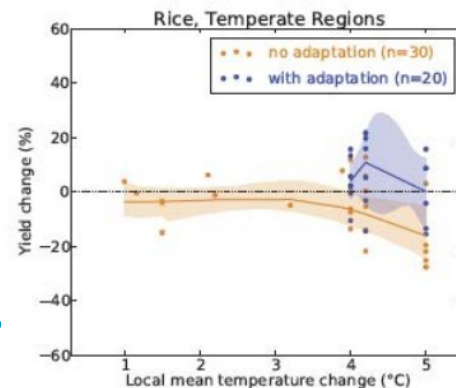
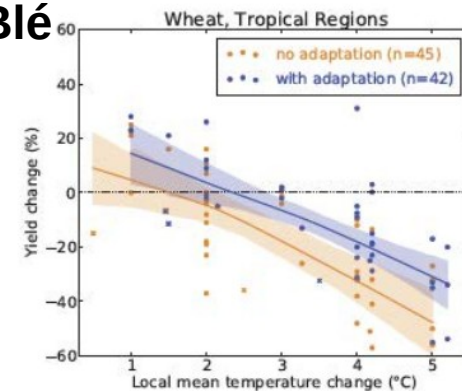
- **baisse sévère de la productivité**
- parfois les rendements peuvent augmenter (fertilisation par CO<sub>2</sub>, température) temporairement
- **l'adaptation peut aider**
- elle suppose cependant l'eau disponible pour l'irrigation mais **limitation par les ressources** :
  - en eau
  - en sol
  - infrastructures
  - gouvernance
  - formation
  - paysans
  - accès au capital
  - accès aux intrants



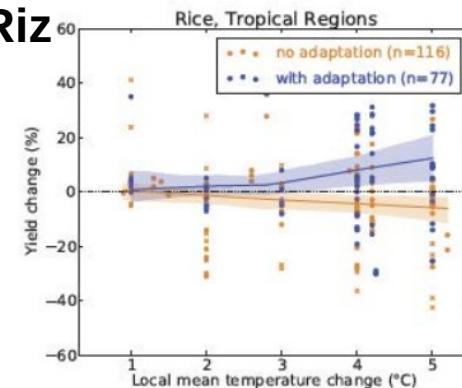
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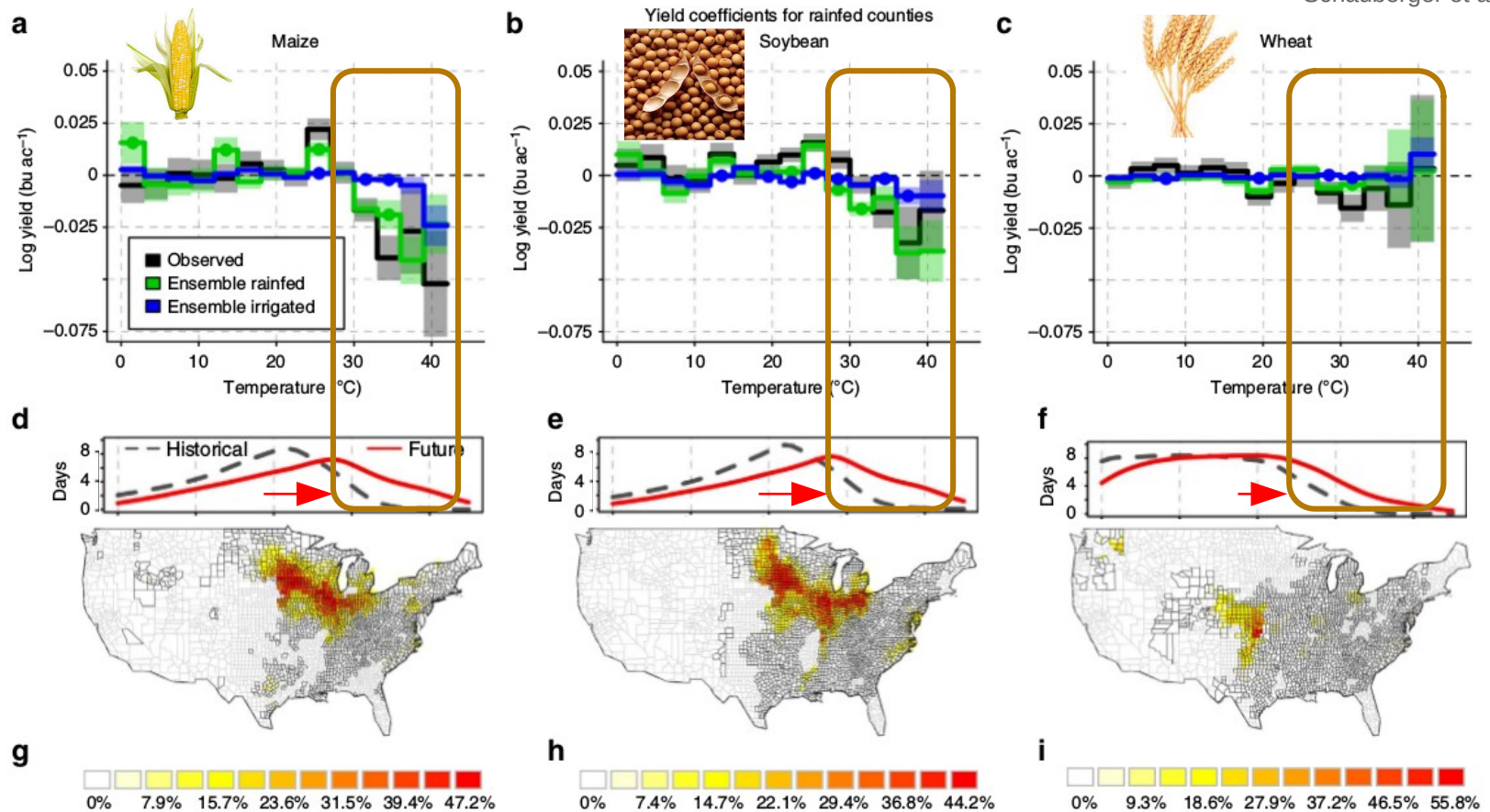
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# Decrease in crop yield

## Vulnerability of cereal cultures in the US

Schauberger et al. (2017)



- échaudage, et surtout stress hydrique
- la fertilisation par le CO<sub>2</sub> compense très peu
  - tension sur l'eau ++
  - effet sur les prix du marché mondial
- baisse des facultés d'approvisionnement des pays pauvres

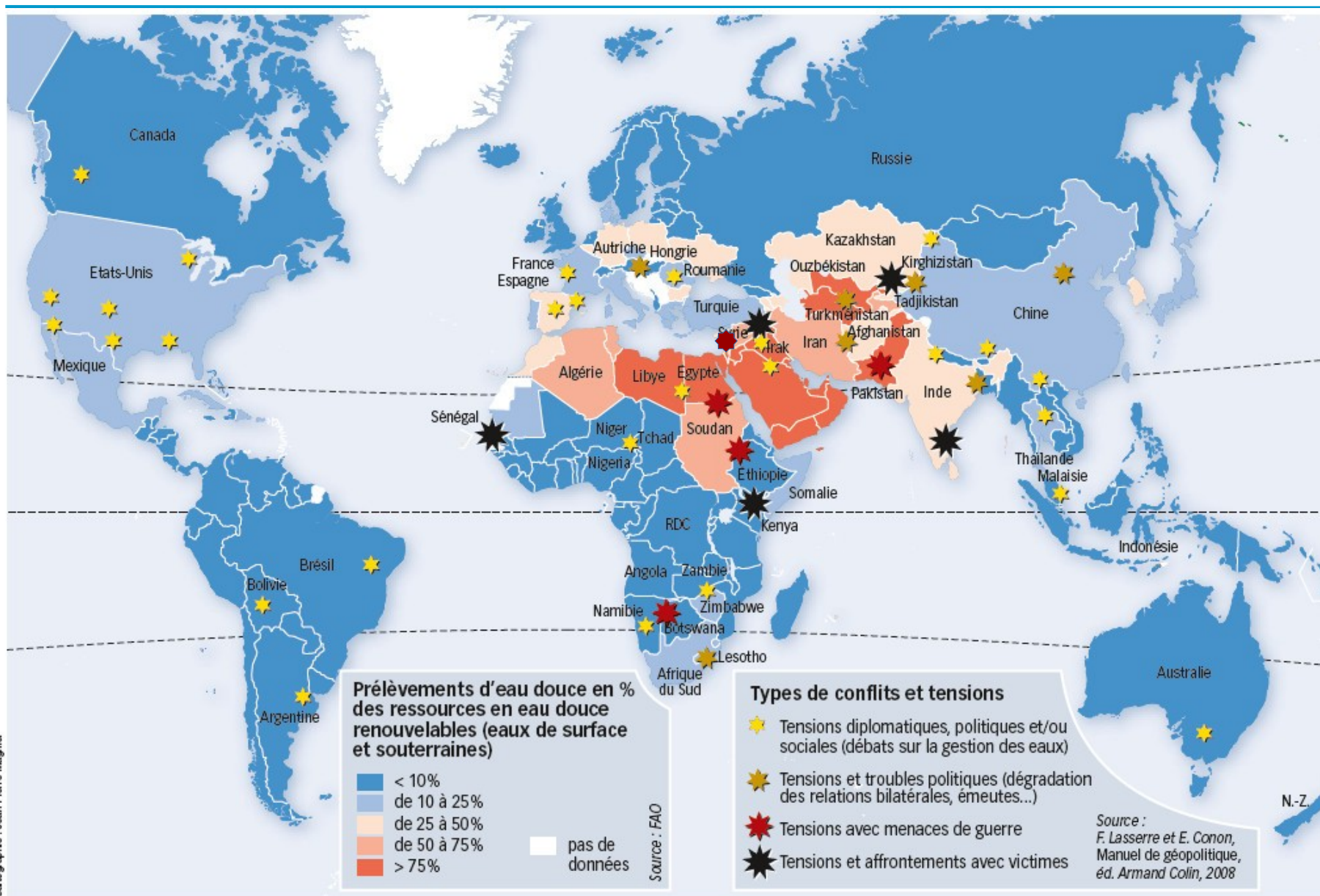
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## *II*

### *Impacts to come*

#### *3 - Geopolitics as a surprise guest*

# Water scarcity is imprinted into past century's conflicts





# Climate Change contributes to conflicts around the world

- CC as a "threat multiplier", like poverty and economic crisis



competition for access to local resources (water, arable land, arctic petrol and pathway...)



insecurity in livelihood => migrations, illegal activities



extreme events, disaster => resentment



price instability of base products => hunger riots (Cf. 2007)



preemption of transboundary waters => inter-state conflicts up to regional scale



sea level rise => social dislocation, displacements, emigration



secondary effects of adaptation/attenuation measures

(land ownership instability, minority marginalization, environmental degradation, biodiversity loss, agrofuels, strategic retreat, land grabbing, ...)

- will affect first the most fragile countries



# CC contributes to conflicts around the world

- Some examples :
  - Tchad lake drying => destabilisation of local economics  
=> ease recrutement by Boko Haram
  - strong reccurent drought in Syria => one of war incentive
  - Sahel : pastoral people shift to agriculture or migrate southward or to the coasts, strengthening competition for water and arable land with in-place farm of fishery communities
  - Arctic opening => competition to control petrol and halieutic resources
- 20 – 30 millions of displaced people or refugies each year
- => encystment of local tensions, traffic, recrutement clusters, border locking-up, jeopardized citizen freedom



Amiral David Titley

councillor on climate of american security agencies

"The climate threat weight as much, if not more, on U.S. interior security than the terrorist threat"

# Societal additional risks stemming from adaptation itself

Key risk	Adaptation issues & prospects	Climatic drivers	Timeframe	Risk & potential for adaptation																						
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# In a world that understands food security stakes

## Land grabbing



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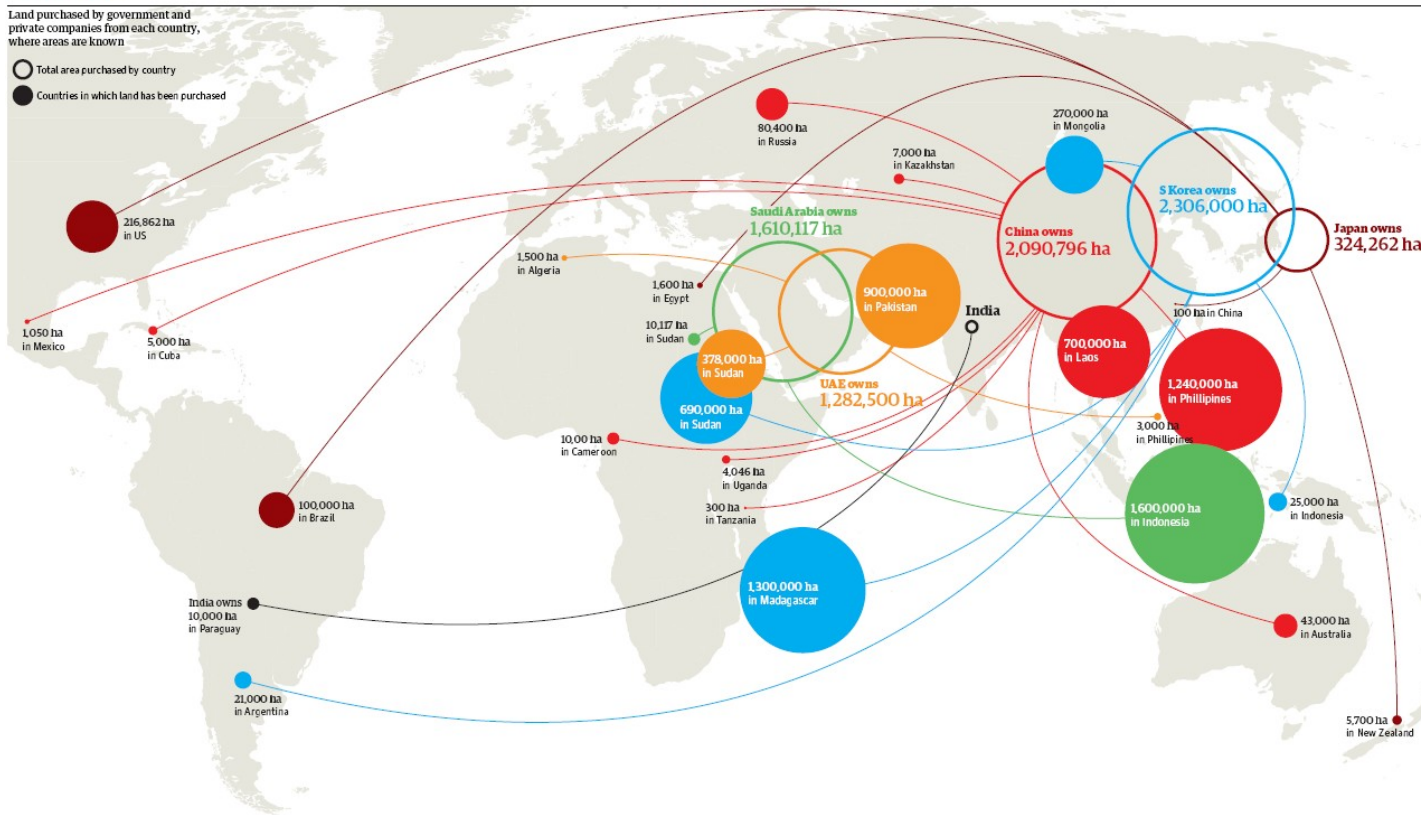
What grabbed land is used for (by%)

Food crops	28
Biofuels	19
Wood and fibre	11
Tourism	10
Land speculation	10
Mining	8
No information	5
Other agricultural commodities	3
Livestock	2
Industry	2
Renewable energy	1
Carbon sequestration	1

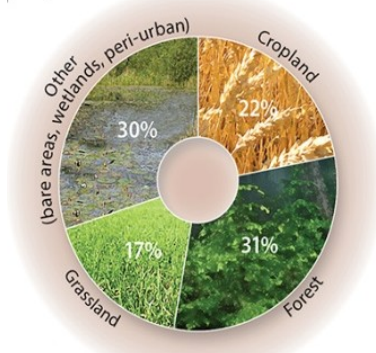
World land grab

Land purchased by government and private companies from each country, where areas are known

○ Total area purchased by country  
● Countries in which land has been purchased



Land targeted for deals, by surface area



SOURCE: GRAIN.ORG

# In a world that understands food security stakes

## Land grabbing, most controversial hotspots



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### Hotspots

Some of the world's biggest and most controversial land deals.

IFPR Global Hunger Index 2012

- Extremely alarming
- Alarming
- Serious
- Moderate
- Low
- No data
- Industrialized country

The Global Hunger Index 2012 is calculated by the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), with partners Welthungerhilfe and Concern Worldwide.

**HONDURAS**  
Home-grown grabbers

Foreign-owned farm land  
Home to some of the most violent land rights conflict; domestic agribusiness is set on expanding palm oil estates.

Not known

**Emiliana West Rom**  
11,000 hectares  
CEREALS AND LIVESTOCK

Western Romania is on the doorstep of capital-rich European companies. Farmer association Eco Ruralis complains that smallholders feel they have no choice but to sell-up. Meanwhile, thousands of people have left the country to seek agricultural work elsewhere in Europe, often doing jobs like fruit picking. Emiliana West Rom, the main investor in the Banat region, acts as a 'representative' to Italian company Unigra. In 2001, it began acquiring land to cultivate cereals, and raise cattle, mainly for export. The farming operation stands accused of destroying forest, archaeological remains and disrupting the water supply. And while not all local people are opposed, many complain that Emiliana West has not respected contracts nor honoured promises for a share in financial revenue.

**CAMEROON**  
A test case for Africa

Foreign-owned farm land  
Cameroon is teeming with plantations of palm oil, destined for biofuel production.

4%

**Dinant**  
UP TO 22,000 hectares  
PALM OIL

Global demand for palm oil has tripled over the last decade and Honduran elites do not wish to be left behind. There's a history here. Land seizures back in the 1990s generated a powerful counter movement for recovery of peasant farms in the Northern Aguán Valley. But since the 2009 coup, the small farmers have lost ground. In 2009, the World Bank's private sector arm, the International Financing Corporation, lent \$30 million to Dinant, a palm-oil company which controls thousands of hectares in the Bajo Aguán region. Conflicts over land between September 2009 and August last year, claimed the lives of 53 peasants, as well as resulting in kidnappings, beatings and forced evictions. At least nine farmers have been killed this year alone. The abuses have prompted the World Bank to order an audit.

**Herakles Capital**  
73,086 hectares  
PALM OIL

One of the starkest examples of bio-fuelled land grabbing has got to be the Herakles plantation in South West Cameroon. It covers 73,086 hectares, of which about 60,000 are earmarked for palm oil. The government signed a 99-year lease in 2009 with 5G Sustainable Oils Cameroon, which is owned by Herakles Capital, a New York-based venture finance firm. The project, on the edge of the Congo Basin rainforest, has sparked local opposition; the allocated land is home to 14,000 people, who claim that compensation and jobs have not materialized. Activists have suffered assault and imprisonment. Greenpeace USA has predicted that cutting down the dense natural forest would release up to 9.5 million tonnes of carbon. There are worries that the Herakles investment could be a test case, setting a precedent for the entire continent.

**Karuturi Global**  
100,000 hectares  
RICE, CORN, PALM OIL

In 2010, Karuturi Global, a Bangalore-based company, has leased 100,000 hectares in Western Ethiopia and plans to invest more than \$100 million in East Africa. In 2011, a Human Rights Watch report found that crops belonging to the local indigenous Anuak community had been cleared without consent in a Karuturi lease area in Ilea, Gambella. The Ethiopian state plans to resettle 225,000 people from the Gambella region, as part of a wider 'villagization' programme that will move over 1.5 million people. Indian companies – the biggest group of investors, jointly controlling over 600,000 hectares – have come under fire as Indian and Ethiopian civil society groups join to struggle for land rights, aided by policy thinktank, the Oakland Institute. In February 2013, communities met in New Delhi saying abuses were being committed under cover of 'South-South cooperation'.

**AUSTRALIA**  
Farmyard for Asia

Foreign-owned farm land  
Some 4.6 million hectares are now owned by overseas interests, with most capital come from Asia and the Middle East.

11%

**Beidahuang**  
30,000 hectares  
GRAINS

Although foreign land ownership is nothing new here, there are growing concerns about losing control of food production and resources. And not just from the conservative opposition – the Australian Greens are calling for a 'national interest test' and the government has proposed a foreign land ownership register. In early 2013, the Chinese state-owned Beidahuang announced it had scaled back plans to invest in Australia's grain industry complaining of 'negative media coverage'. However the company is not pulling out altogether. Helongjiang Feng Agricultural, an arm of Beidahuang, reportedly paid \$52 million for 30,000 hectares in the Great Southern and Wheatbelt region in late 2012. But Australian companies aren't averse to grabbing – the country is eighth among the top 10 investors in land deals in the Majority World, one place behind China.

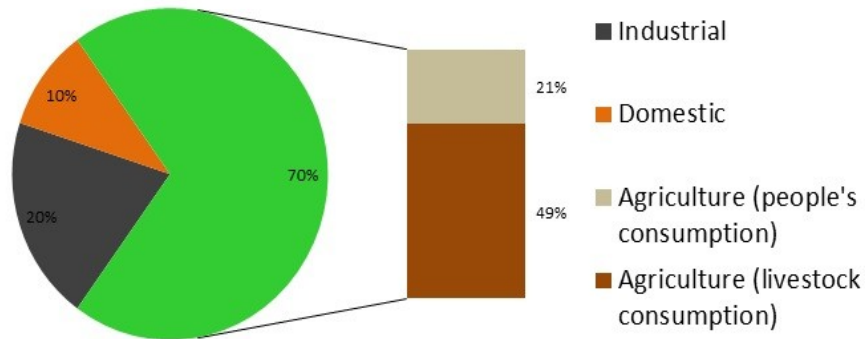
Written and researched by Amy Hall.

Sources: Australia Green Party, Eco Ruralis, Food First, Global Witness, GRAIN, Greenpeace USA, The Guardian, Human Rights Watch, LCHAO, Oakland Institute, Oxfam, Rights and Resources Institute, Transnational Institute.

# 1. Access to water is first an agricultural and food question

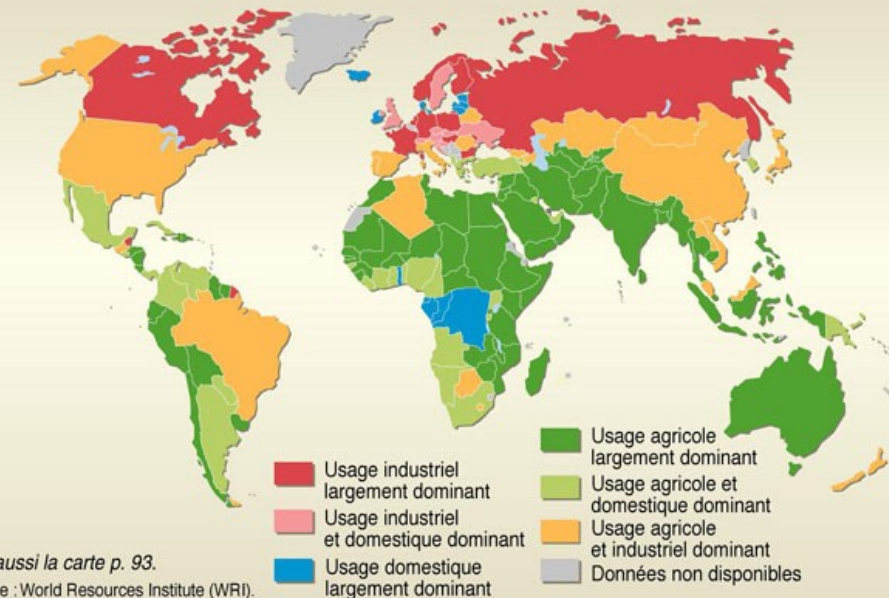
more precisely to feed cattle (have the withdrawn water)

## Prélèvements en eau (hors pluie)



green straightup

## Les usages de l'eau

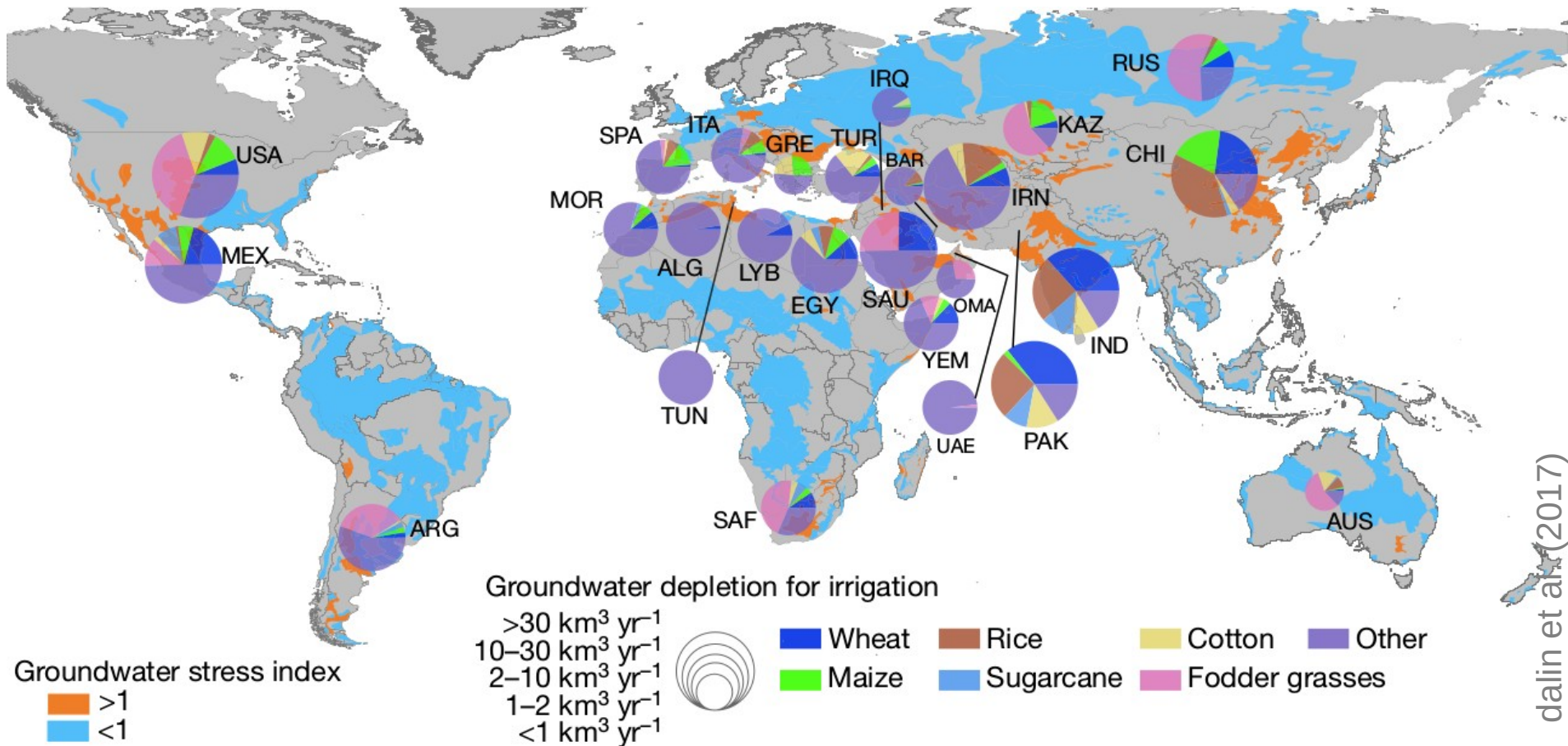


Voir aussi la carte p. 93.  
Source : World Resources Institute (WRI).

production agricole =>

soleil + chaleur + eau

# 1. That exhaust groundwater in exporting countries



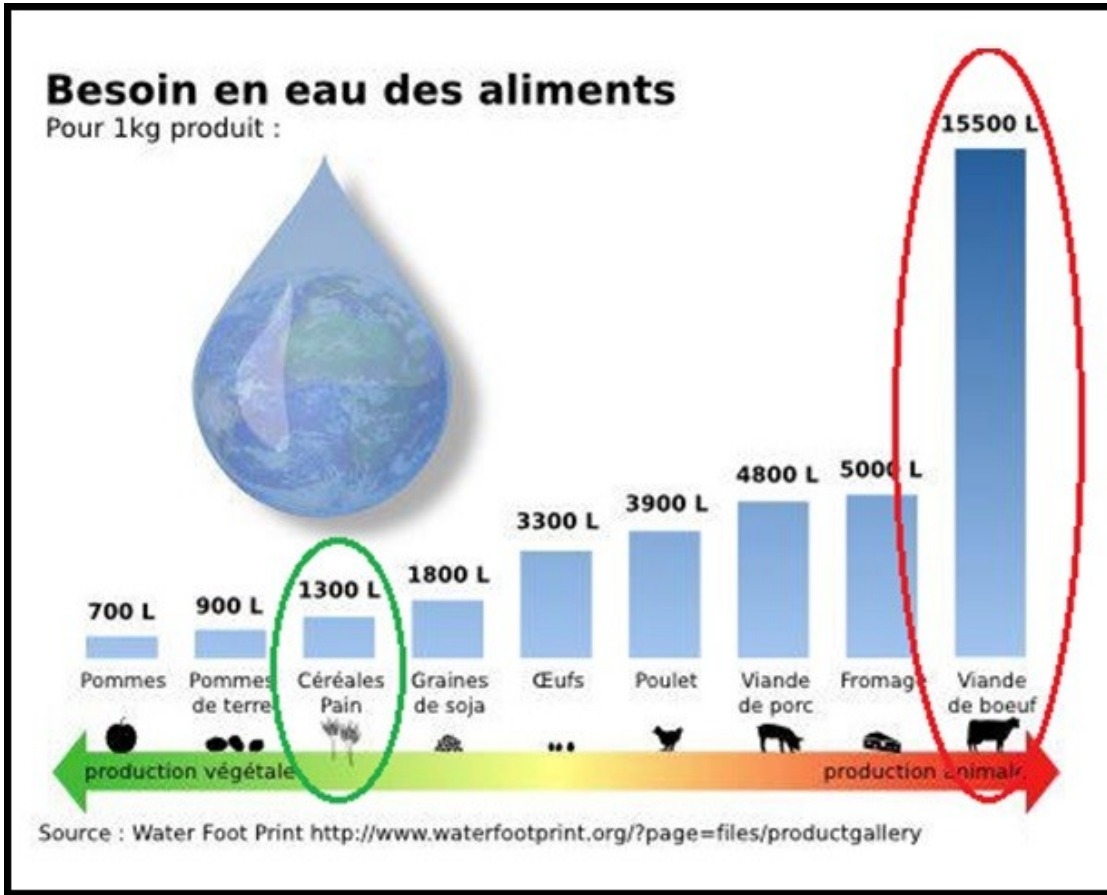
dalin et al. (2017)

cultures irriguées pour l'exportation (contribution jusqu'à 40 %)

=> Pakistan, USA, Inde, Mexique, Iran, ...

# 2. Virtual water

All goods have a water cost (here withdrawal)



insect burger



**4 150 litres d'eau par jour et par personne !**  
Mais comment est-ce possible ?

**150 litres d'eau par jour et par personne**  
C'est la quantité d'eau qui coule du robinet quand tu te brosses les dents, laves les mains et les dents, ou que tu tires la chasse d'eau. Elle alimente les machines à laver le linge ou la vaisselle, permet de cuire les pâtes, de laver les sols et d'arroser les plantes.

**2,5 litres d'eau par jour et par personne**  
C'est la quantité minimale dont chaque être humain a besoin pour vivre en bonne santé !

**Ces chiffres sont une moyenne.**  
Certains Français en consomment plus, d'autres beaucoup moins.

**Combien de litres pour :**

- tirer la chasse d'eau 8 à 12 litres
- laver les dents 15 litres
- prendre une douche à 4 minutes 30 à 60 litres
- prendre un bain 150 à 200 litres

**Combien de litres pour produire :**

- 1 kilo de viande 25 litres
- 1 kilo de fromage 55 litres
- 1 kilo de pain 1 000 litres
- 1 kilo de riz 3 000 litres
- 1 kilo de viande de bœuf 15 000 litres
- 1 ordinateur 35 000 litres

**4 000 litres d'eau par jour et par personne**  
L'eau que tu consommes chaque jour ne se résume pas à celle qui coule des robinets de la maison ! Une énorme quantité d'eau est aussi nécessaire pour produire tout ce qui t'entoure : la nourriture, les vêtements et les objets qui t'entourent. Cette eau est invisible et pourtant sa quantité est très importante !

**3000l** (production végétale) + **1000l** (production animale) = **4150l**

**La 15e part, invisible de la consommation**  
4 150 litres d'eau, c'est 2,5 litres d'eau que tu bois dans une journée.

- Eau de la maison.
- Eau pour produire les objets.
- Eau pour produire la nourriture.

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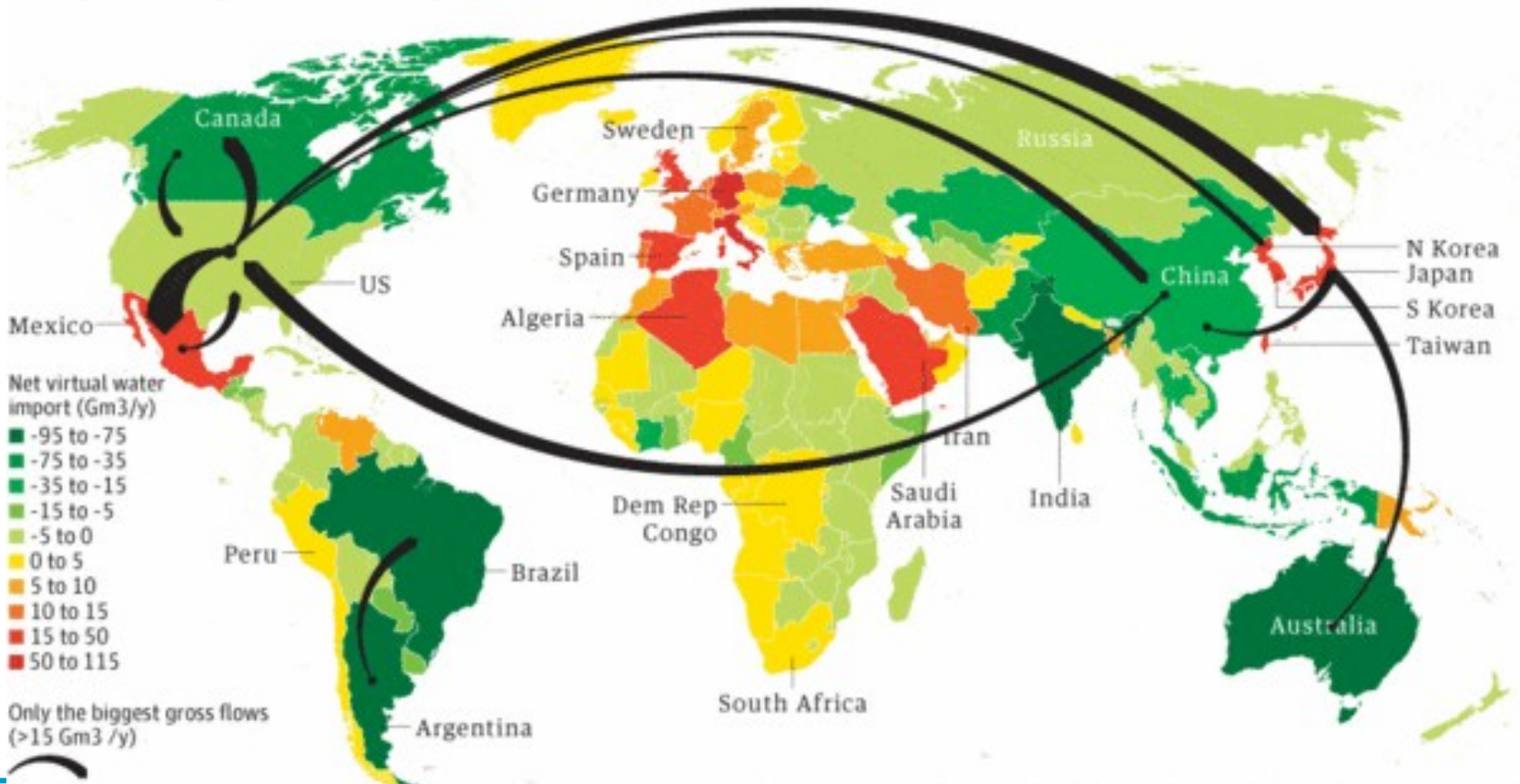
## 2. Virtual water

*All transported goods are also water transfer*

sur 3500 km<sup>3</sup> d'eau utilisés, 1600 km<sup>3</sup> sont importés localement (45%)

### Virtual water balance

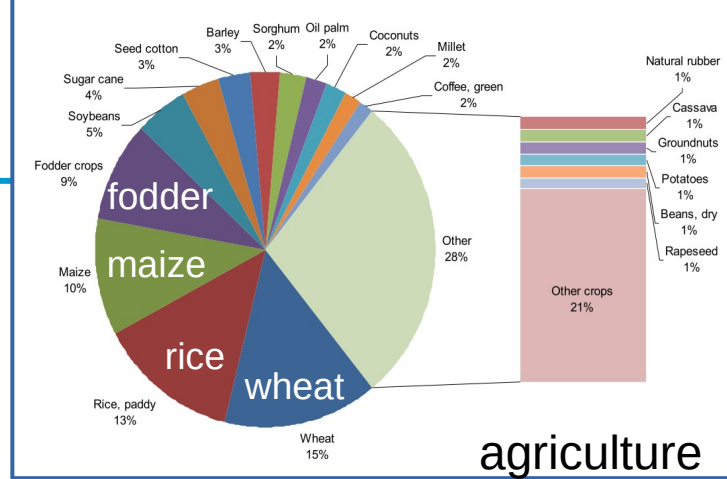
The exports and imports of water through food and commodities, 1996-2005



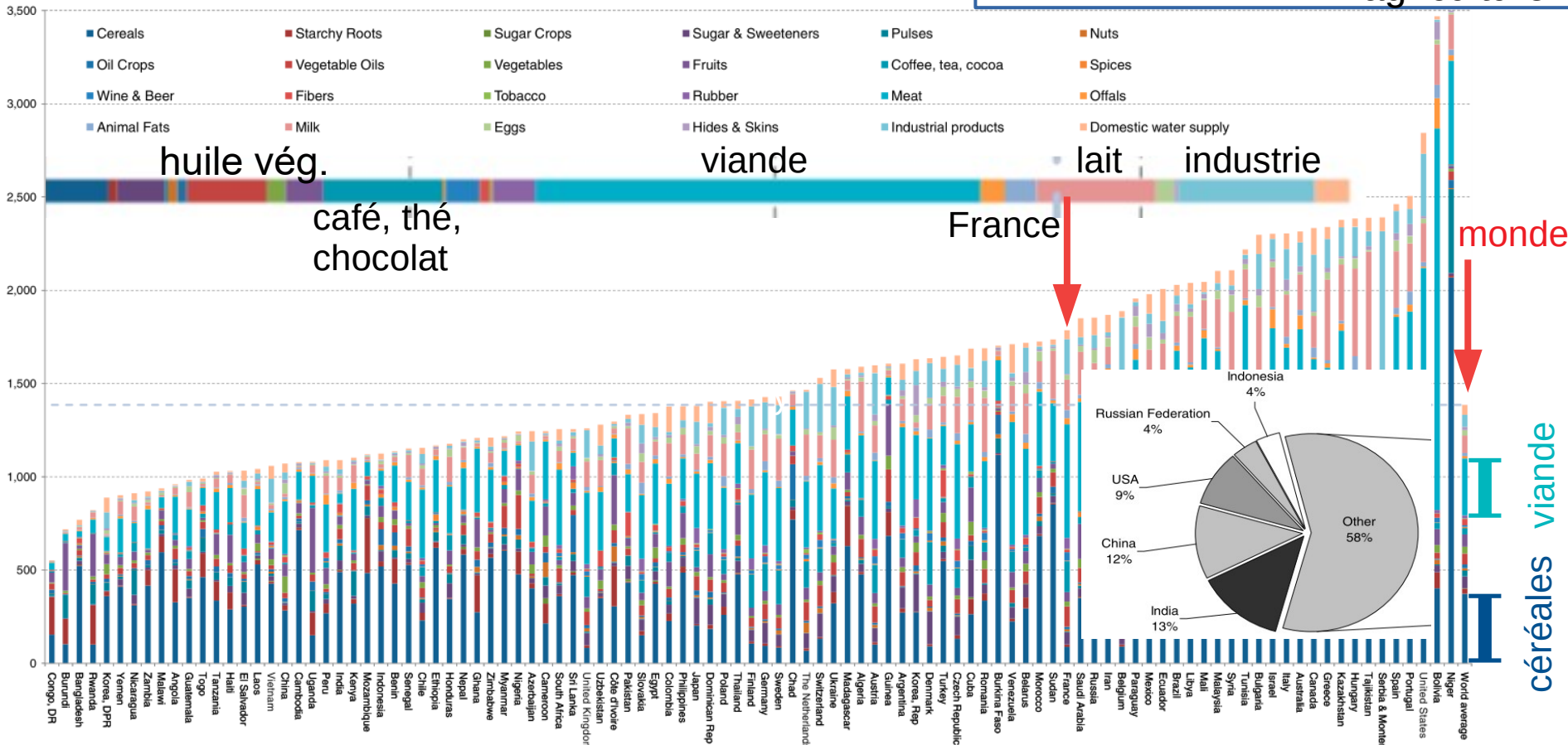
# 2. Virtual water

Mainly cereals and meat

empreinte hydrique nationale (m3/an/habitant)  
pour pays > 5 Mhab (pas le Qatar !)



agriculture



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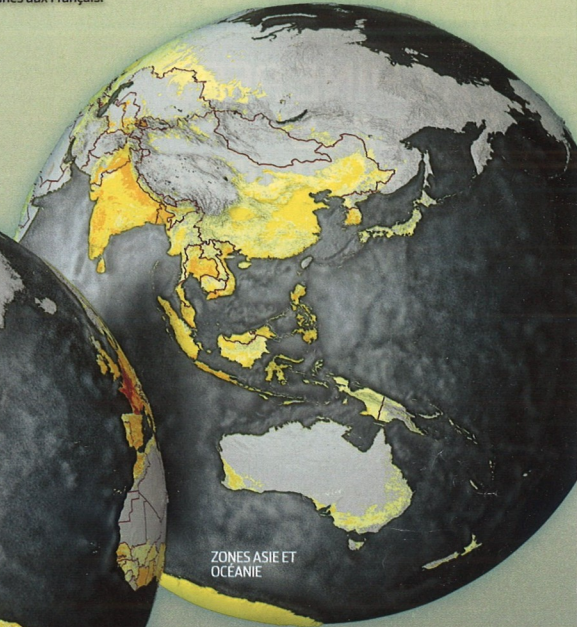
## Cross-border water footprint of France : 90 % of our needs

# actus terre

RESSOURCES NATURELLES

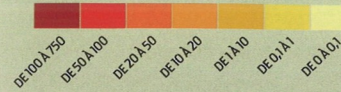
## ON CONNAÎT "L'EMPREINTE EAU" DE LA FRANCE

Sur le modèle de l'empreinte carbone, Arjen Hoekstra, de l'université de Twente aux Pays-Bas, a cartographié "l'empreinte eau" de la France. C'est-à-dire l'origine et les quantités d'eau mobilisées, en France comme à l'étranger, pour produire les biens que nous consommons. Résultat, près de la moitié de l'eau nécessaire à l'économie française provient d'au-delà de nos frontières. Autre enseignement, 87 % de notre empreinte est liée aux produits agricoles issus de l'Hexagone ou importés depuis le Brésil, la Belgique, l'Inde et l'Espagne. En tête du classement: les produits d'origine animale, suivis par les huiles végétales et les céréales. Poussant plus loin l'analyse, l'équipe néerlandaise s'est aperçue que dans de nombreux bassins hydrographiques, les volumes prélevés pour la consommation française contribuaient à des pénuries en eau. Pour Arjen Hoekstra, il n'est pas trop tard pour agir: "Nous essayons désormais de déterminer les empreintes idéales des produits de base, en prenant les meilleures technologies et pratiques disponibles, afin de donner aux entreprises des références pour réduire leur 'empreinte eau' sur la planète". E.H.



Carte de "l'empreinte eau" de la France (en litre/m<sup>2</sup>/an)

Elle correspond aux volumes d'eau douce qui, en France et à l'étranger, ont été nécessaires pour produire l'ensemble des biens de consommation destinés aux Français.



(mm/an)

Des besoins en eau qui aggravent la sécheresse dans le monde



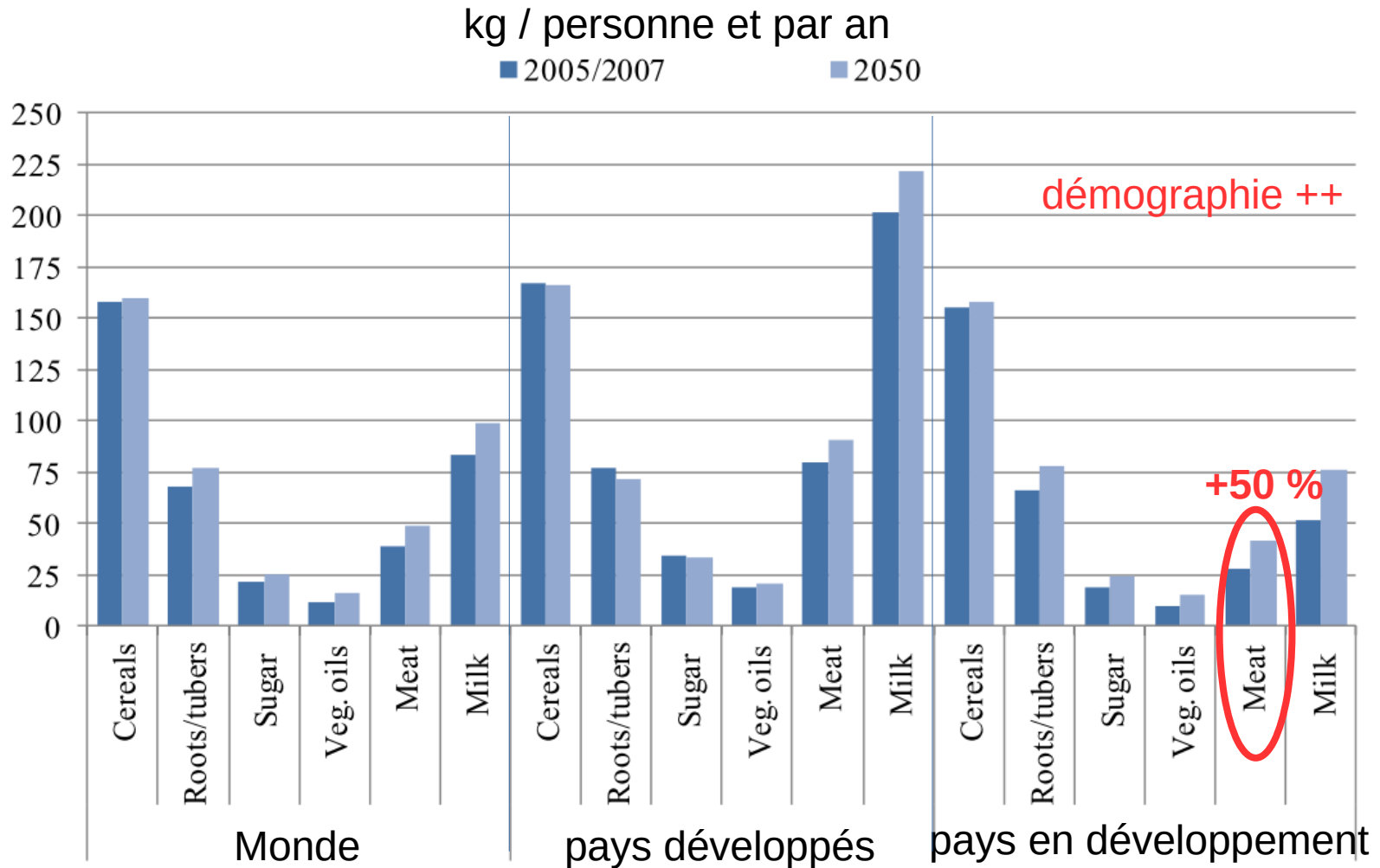
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**106** milliards de m<sup>3</sup> d'eau par an sont utilisés pour produire des biens pour la France.

**22** % de l'eau importée en France est liée à la production de coton et ses dérivés.

**15 415** litres d'eau sont nécessaires pour fabriquer 1 kg de viande de bœuf.

### 3. Où va-t-on ~ 2050 ? Habitudes alimentaires



aujourd'hui, arrêter la viande  
= nourrir 2x plus de monde

## 2. Interlaced stakes

### *The Water-Food-Energy nexus*

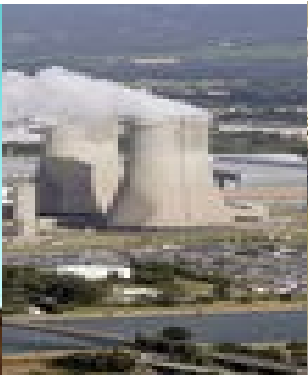
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- each water management activity has an energetical cost or impact, and contribute to GHG emissions or attenuation
- most economic activities impact water resources
- the different diets have opposite hydric implications (meat/fish/leguminous)
- those policies cannot be conceived separately

**Agrocarburants**



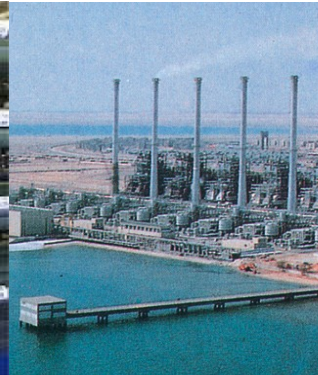
**Refroidissement centrales**



**AEP filtration**



**Dessalement**



**Production alimentaire**



**Photovoltaïque entretien**



# 2. Virtual water

## Food waste = water loss



**1,3 milliard de tonnes de production alimentaire gaspillée par an**



**54 %** du gaspillage provient de l'amont de la chaîne :

- Production
- Manutention
- Stockage après récolte

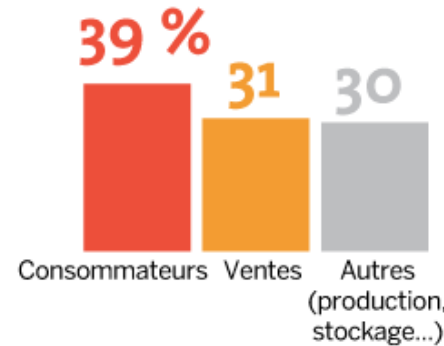
Source : FAO, 2013



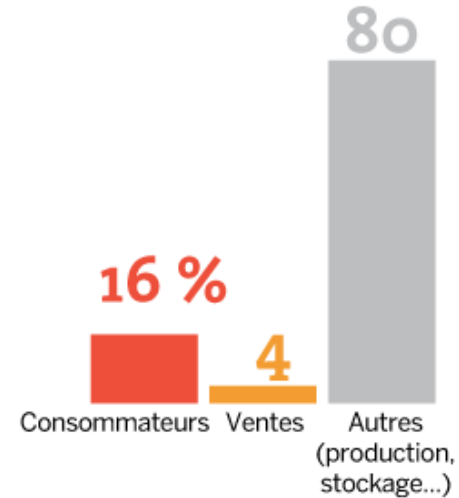
**46 %** du gaspillage provient de l'aval de la chaîne :

- Transformation
- Distribution
- Consommation

Pays à moyens et hauts revenus



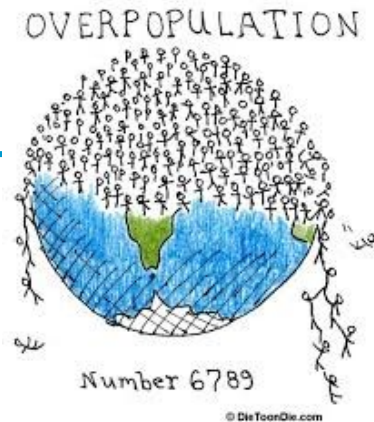
Pays à faibles revenus



l'eau agricole est essentiellement évaporée, et donc perdue.

33 % de pertes => ~50 % de prélèvements de plus que nécessaire

### 3. The unspoken issue : Demography

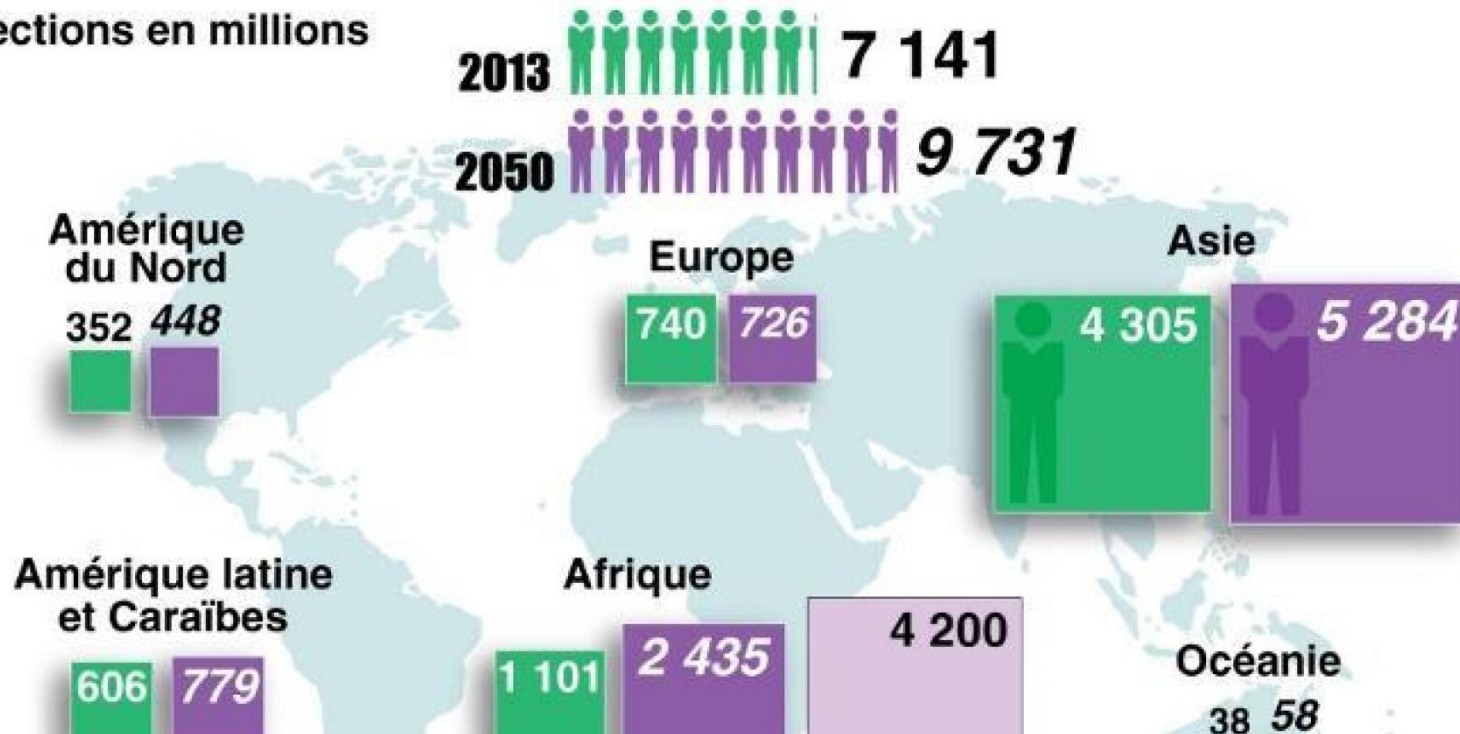


- simple rule : the more we are, the more we impact
- demography control is key to reducing Human pressure on the planet (climate change, water stress, conflicts)

### Près de 10 milliards d'habitants en 2050

A l'horizon 2100, plus d'un tiers des habitants devrait vivre en Afrique

■ Projections en millions



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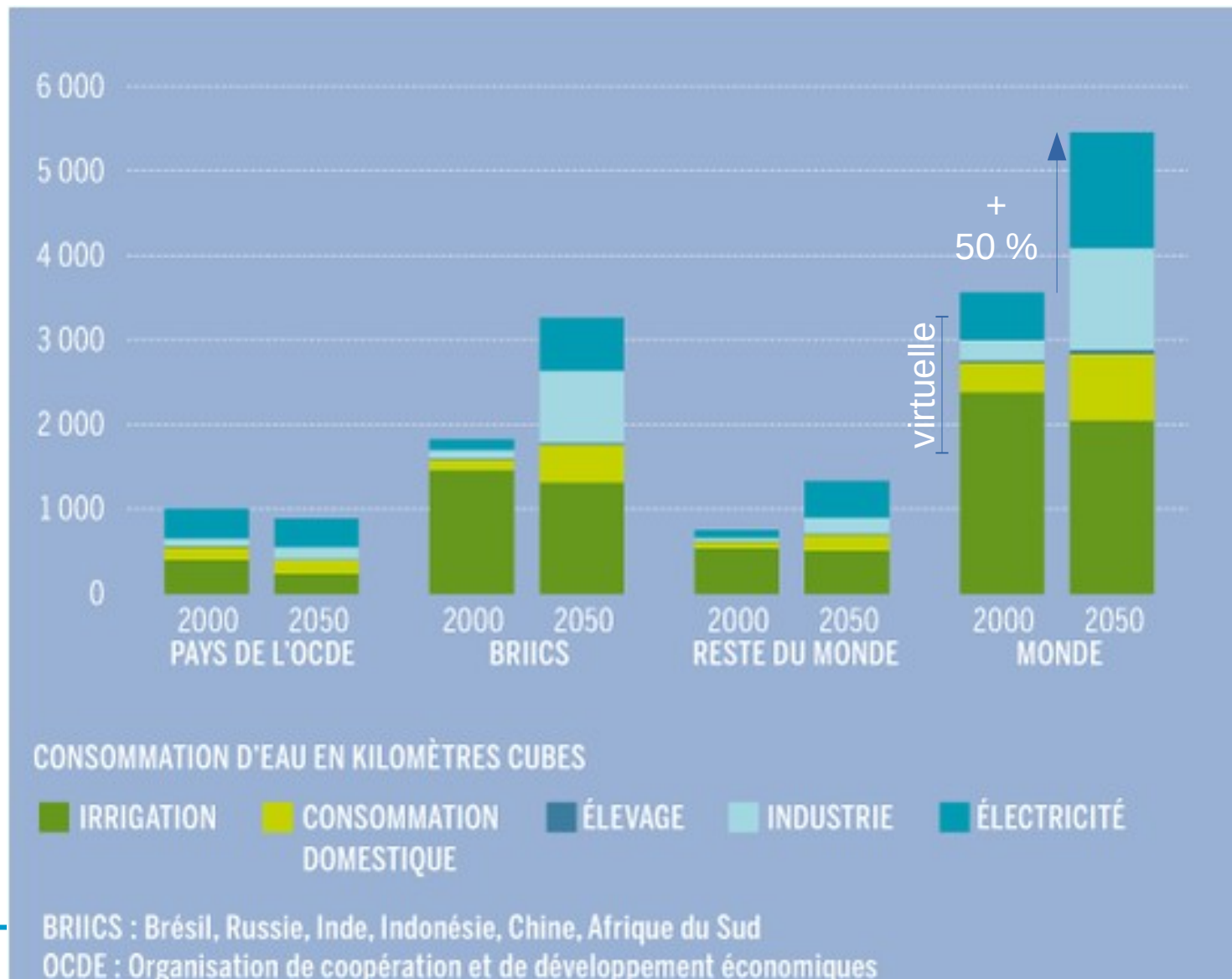
*IV*

*Global prospective*



# General anticipation of global water demand

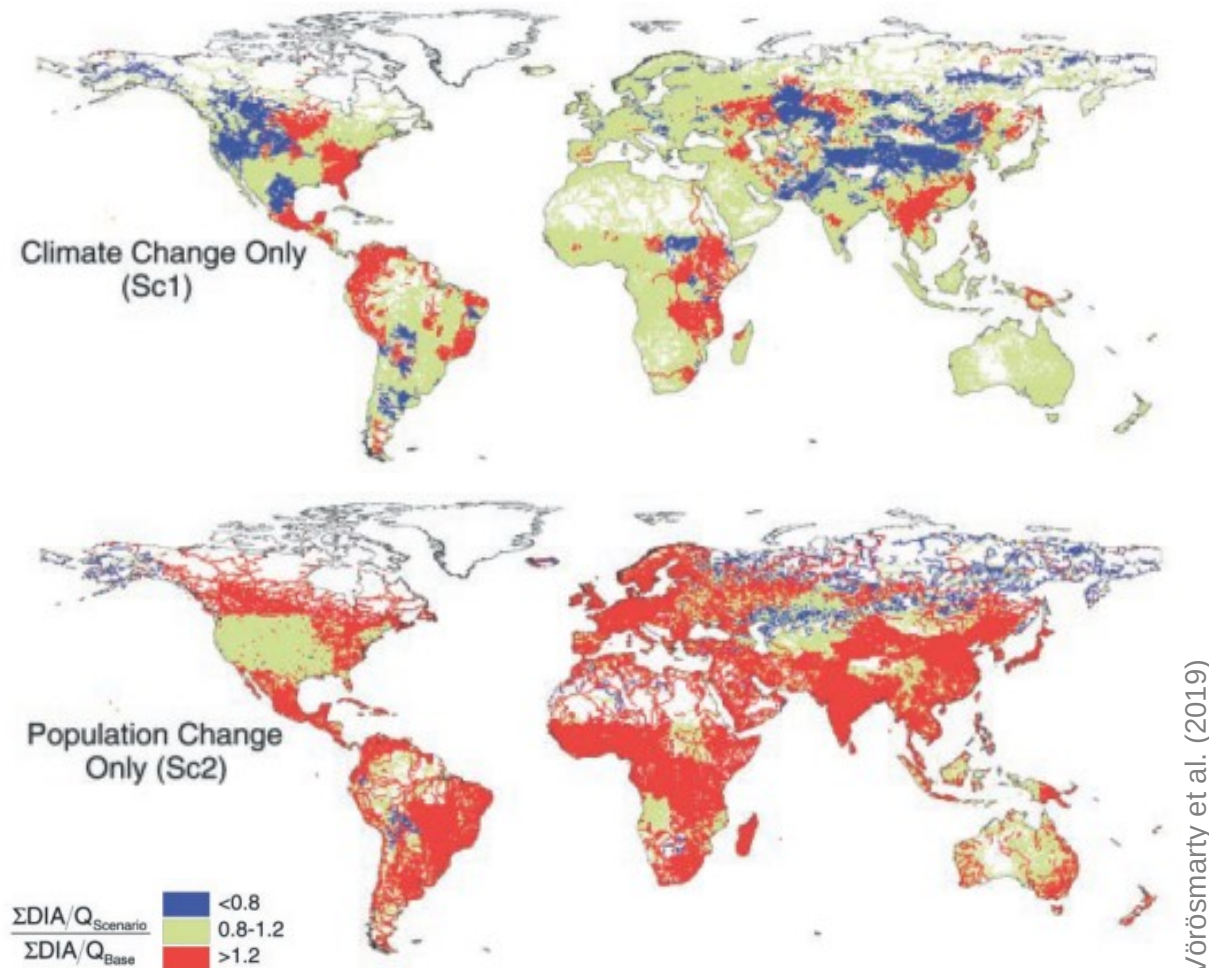
## +50 % following on-going trends



# General anticipation of global water demand

## Increased demand stress 1985 – 2025 under CC and **demography**

Variation (%) entre 1985 et 2025 du rapport entre demande en eau (domestique, industrielle, irrigation) et la ressource renouvelable



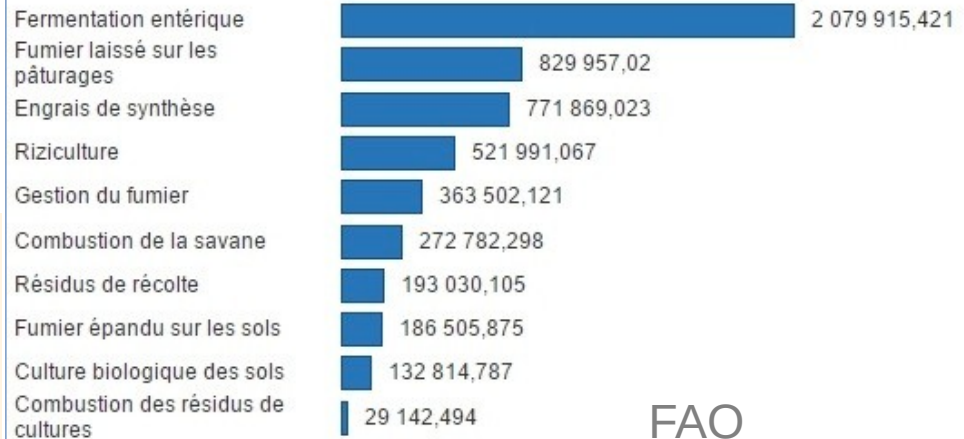
# Agriculture is the first GHG emitter

## Adaptating to lack of water is also an attenuation pathway

- including cultivation, land use change, deforestation and transport

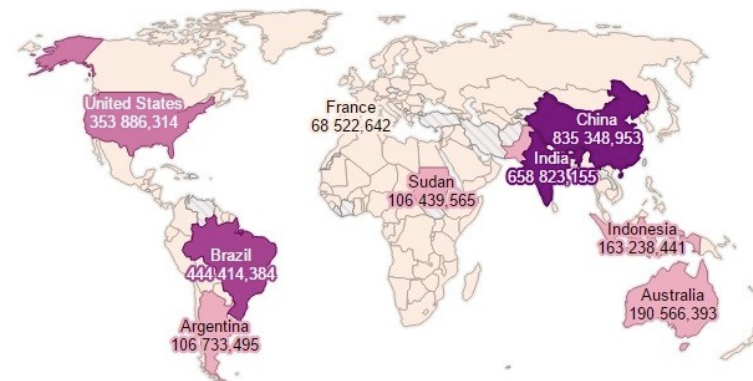
### Origine des émissions agricoles

Origines des émissions au niveau mondial, en 2012, en Gigagrammes équivalent CO<sub>2</sub>



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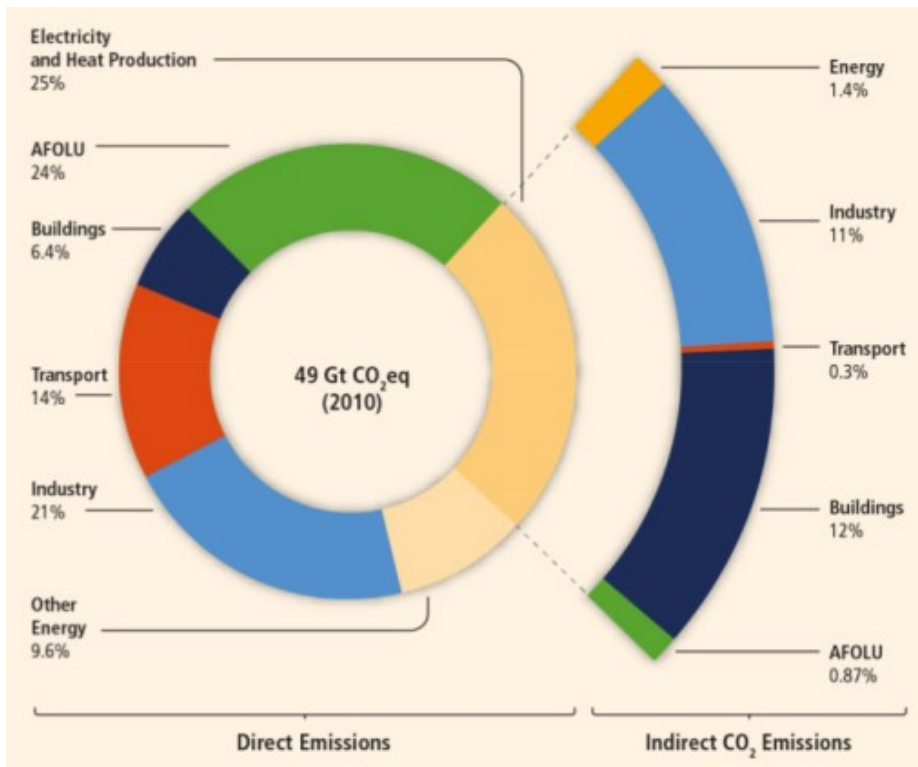
### Émissions agricoles totales par pays en 2012 (en Gg)



GIEC

Gigagrammes

100 000 200 000 400 000 600 000



Direct Emissions

Indirect CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

# ***General prospective on food security***

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Feeding mankind will need facing numerous challenges

- galloping demography
- meat diet
- climate change
- competition for access to water (thermic plants, hydroelectricity, environnement maintenance, tap water, transport, leasure industry...)
- soil loss (urban spread, salinization, erosion, soil depletion, non-food agriculture...)
- biodiversity loss, known-how, local crops
- lack of work power, technical skill, investment capacity, economic viability (& volatile prices)