

The Future of Tropical Rain Forests
IDS 2935

10-1: Climate Change

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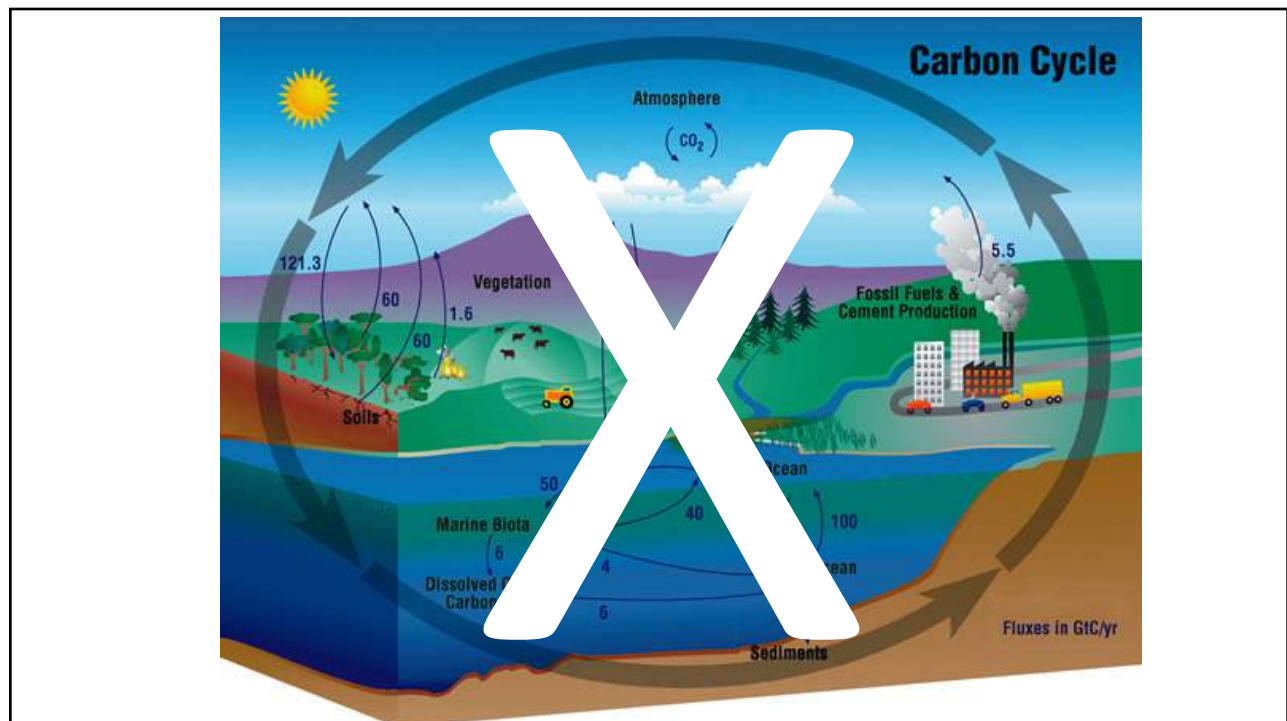
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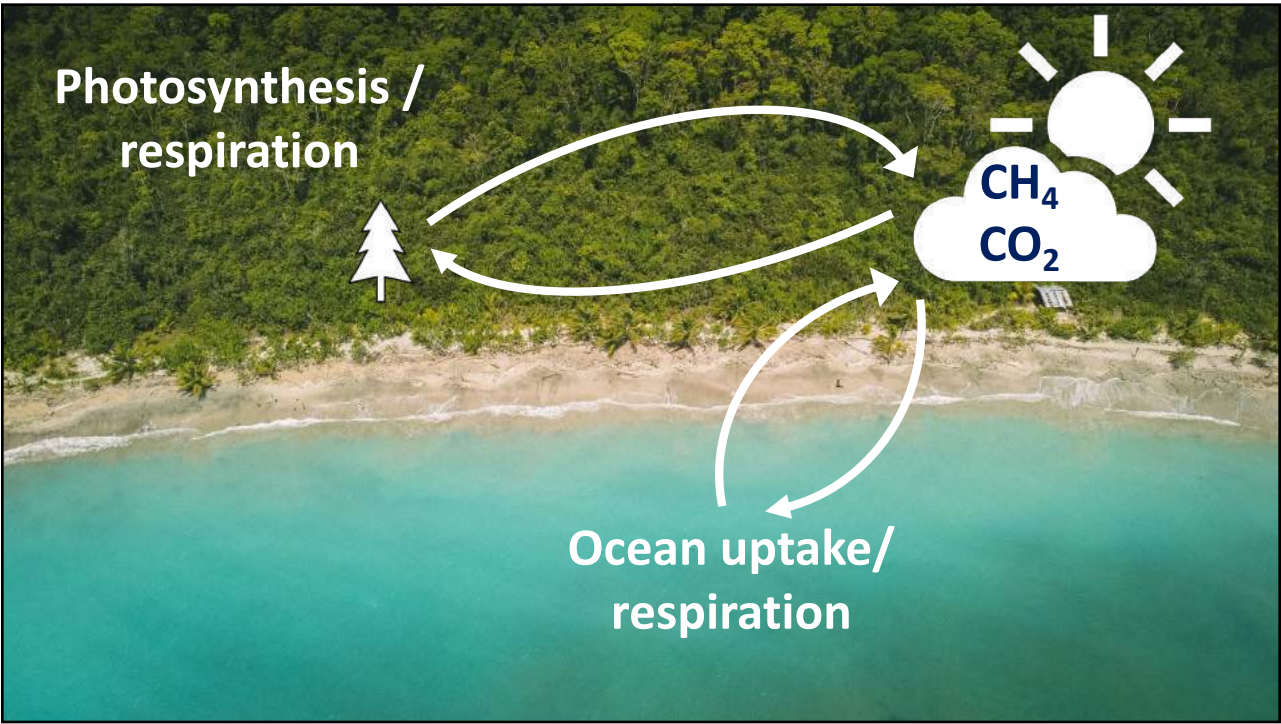
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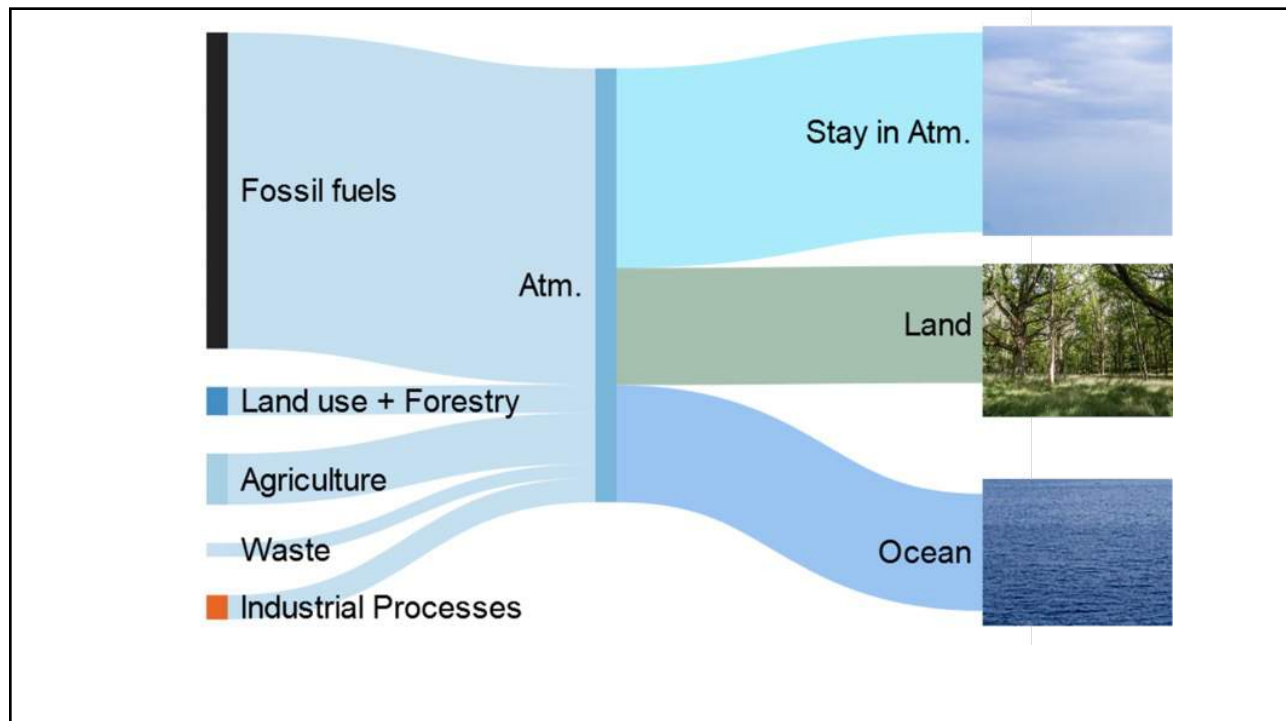
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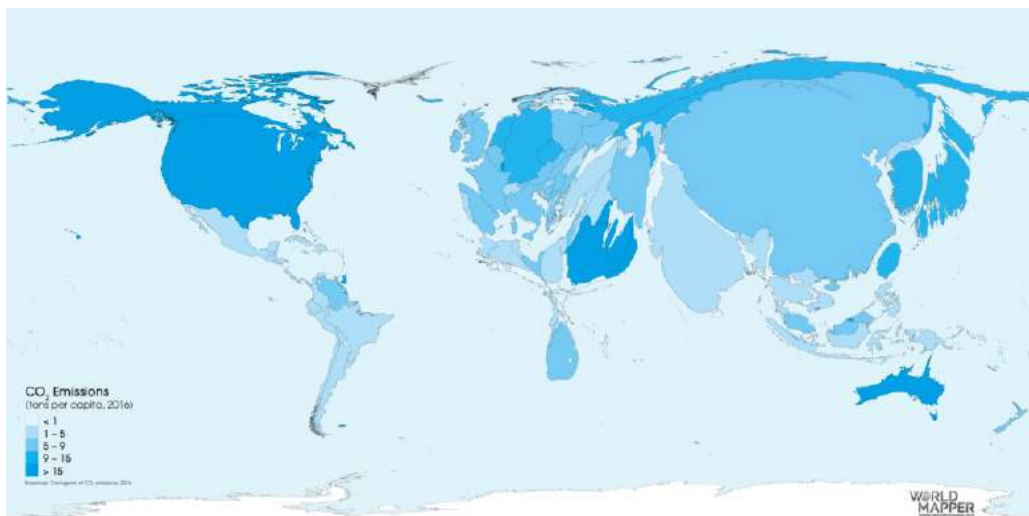


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Per Capita CO2 Emissions

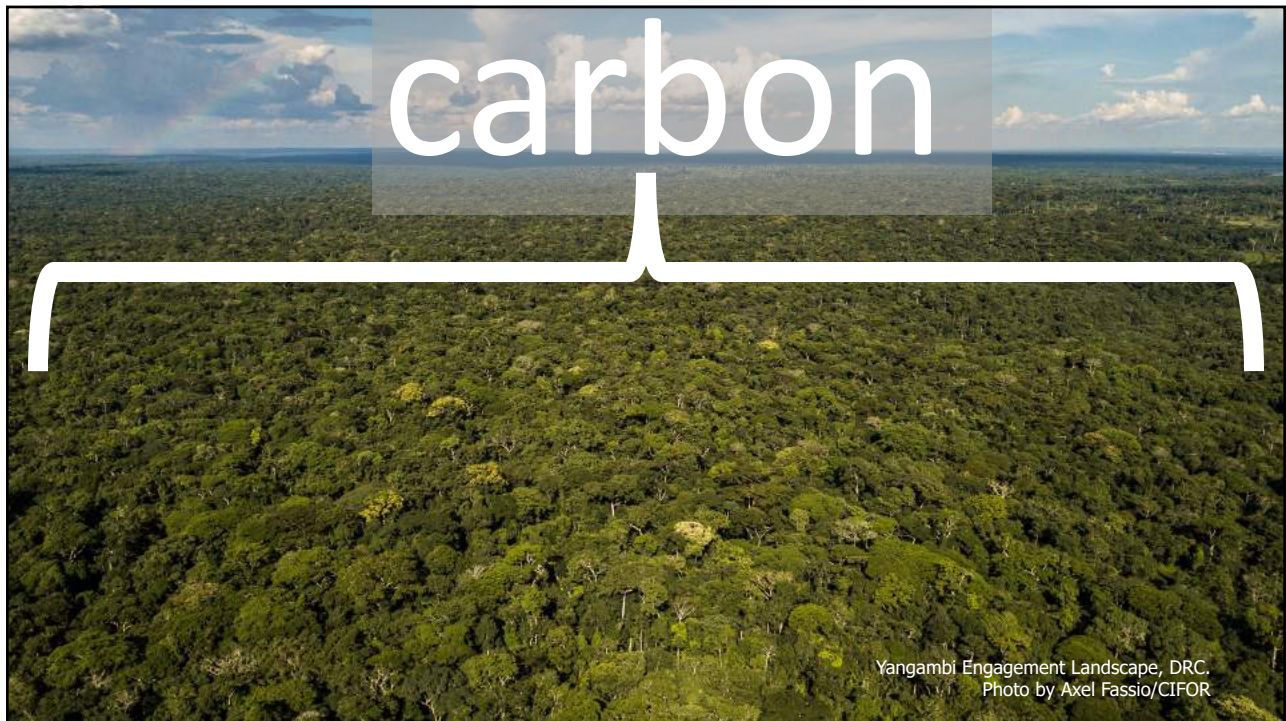


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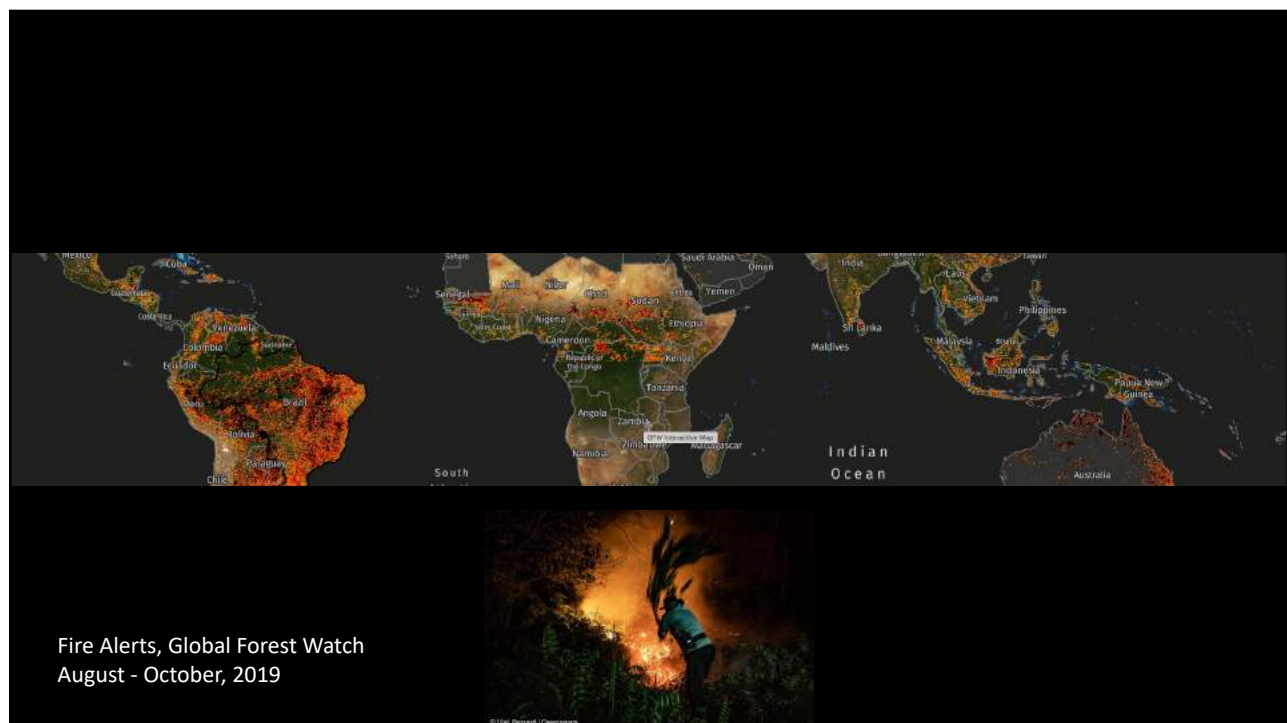
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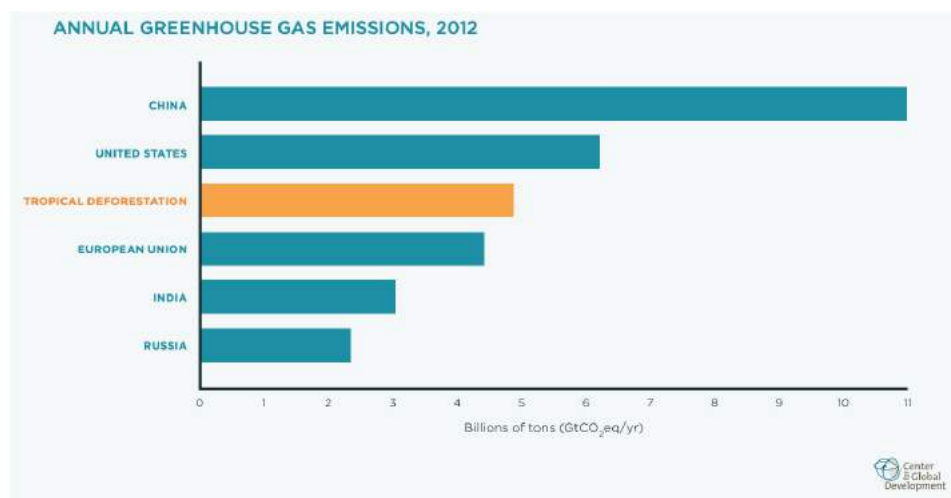


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Figure 2.5: If tropical deforestation were a country, its emissions would be greater than those of the European Union.



Source: Data from CAIT v2.0, "Total GHG Emissions (Excluding LUCF)," World Resources Institute, Busch and Engelmann (2015).

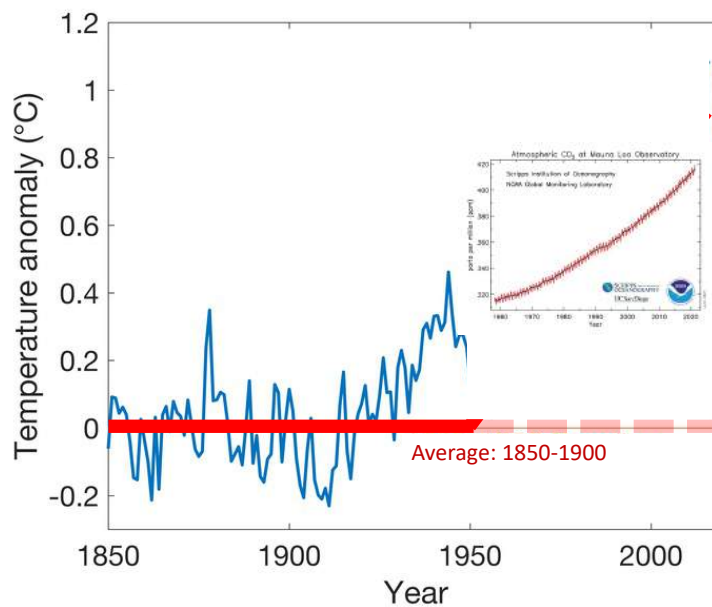
Seymour & Busch 2016

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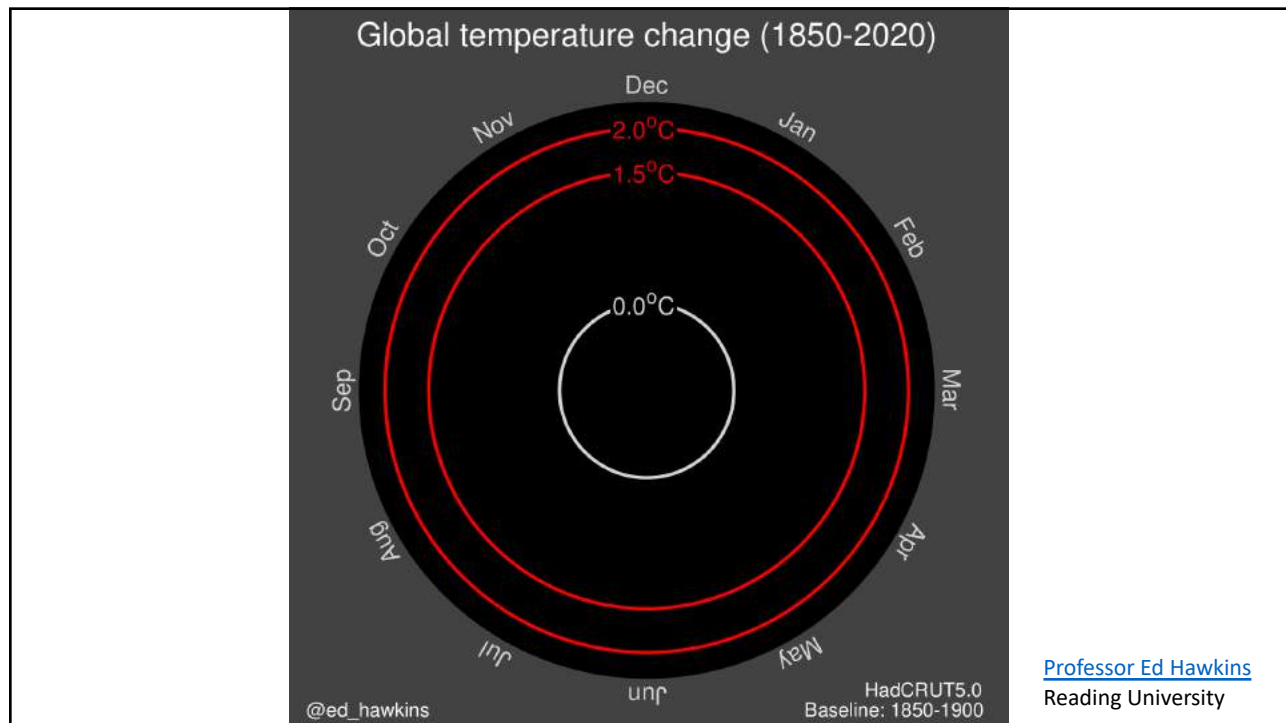
CO₂ in the atmosphere traps heat



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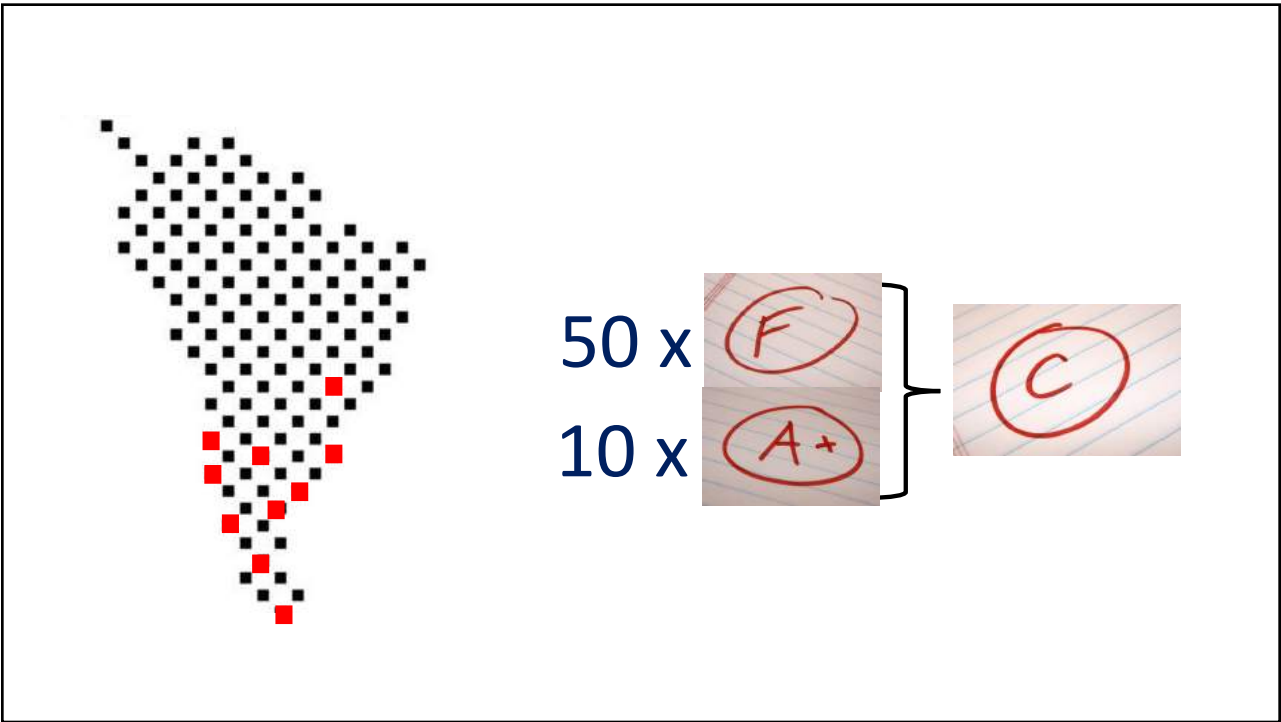
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It's snowing & freezing in NYC. What the hell ever happened to global warming?

12:25 AM - 22 Mar 2013

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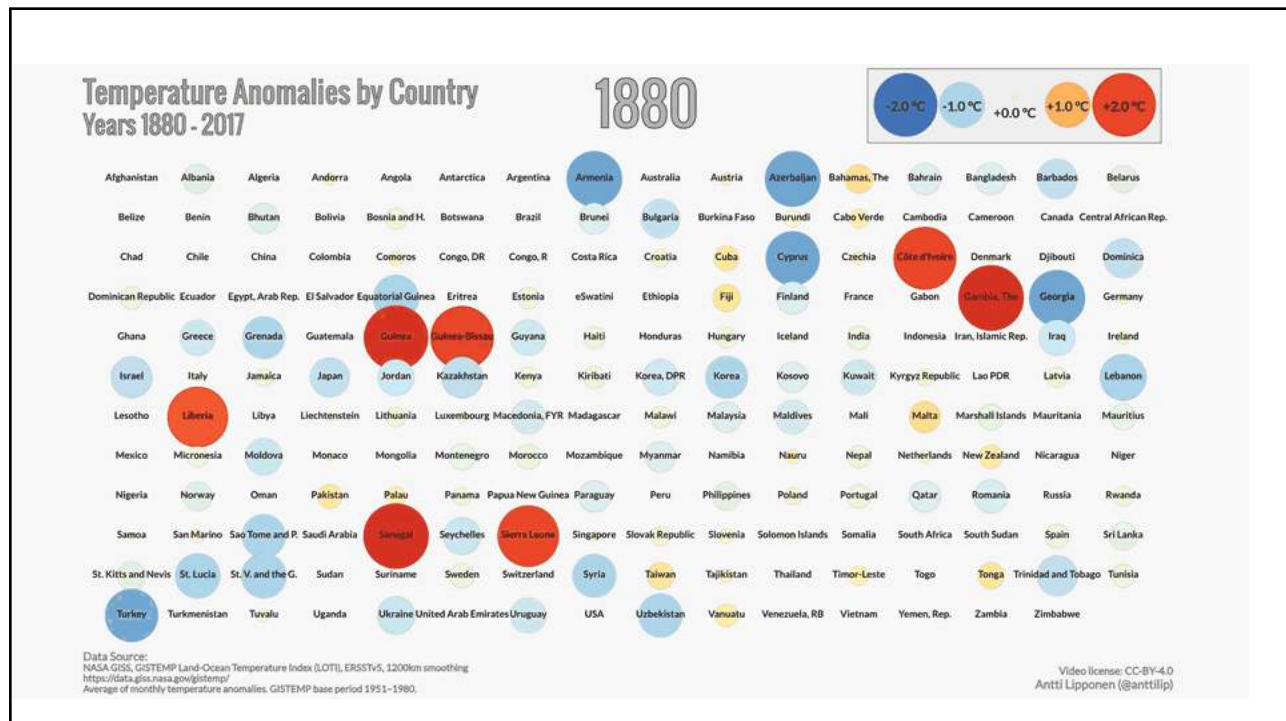


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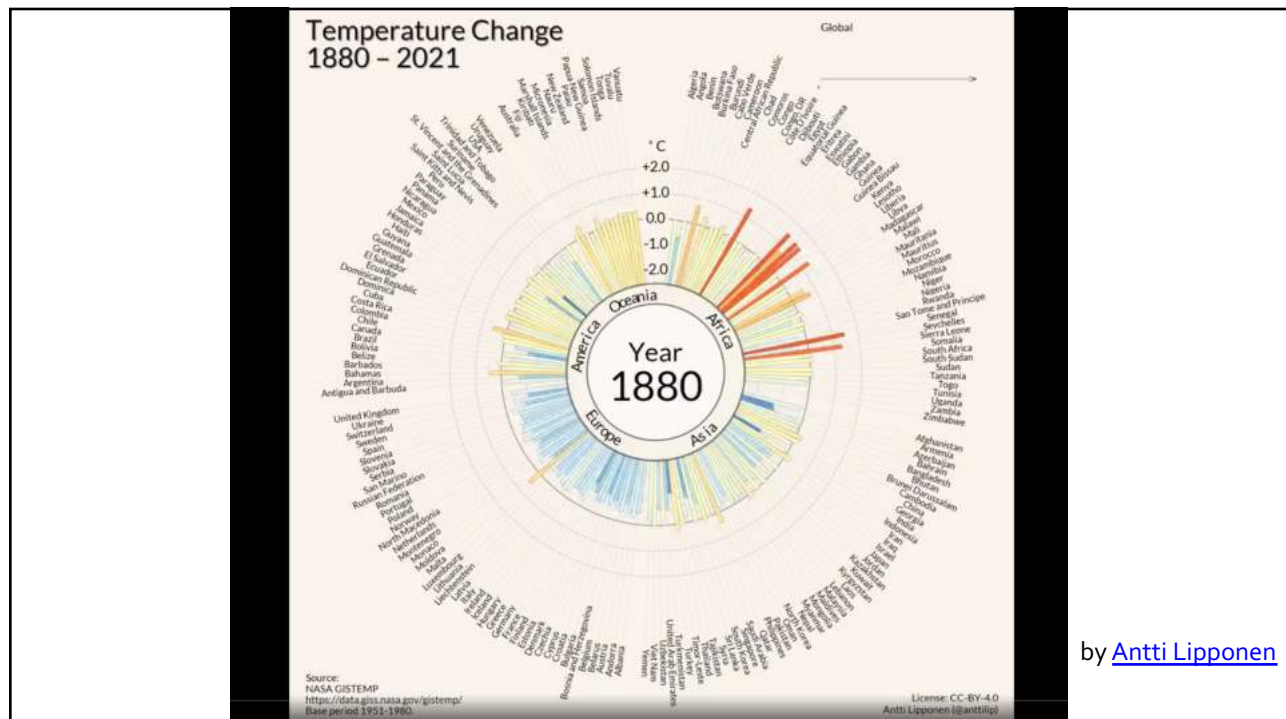
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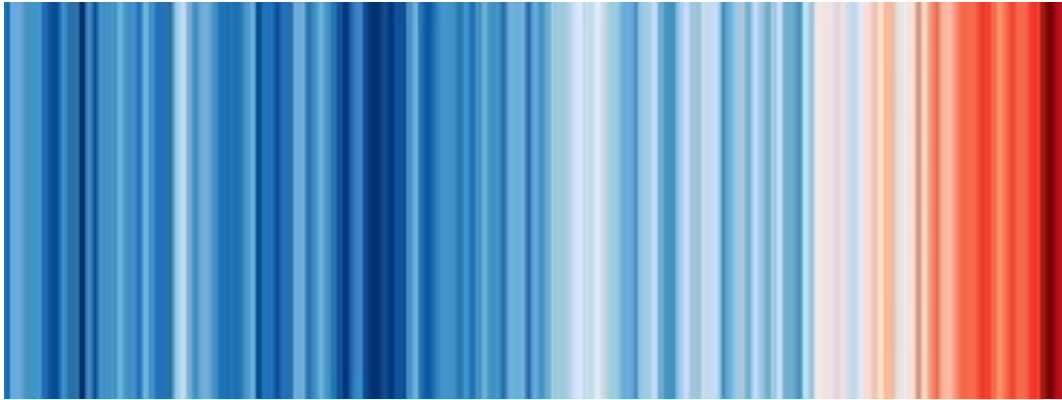


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Professor Ed Hawkins
Reading University

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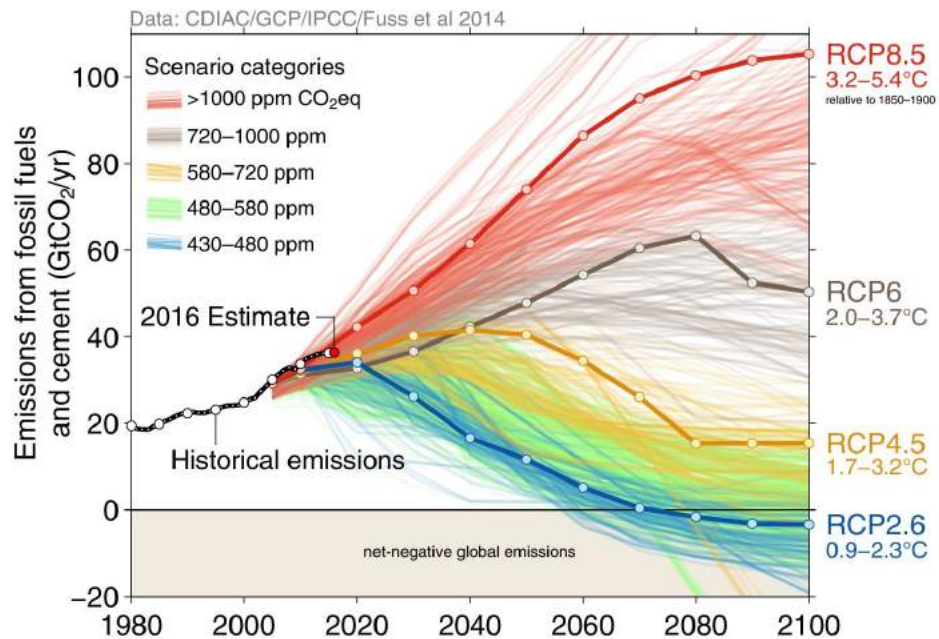
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**The Intergovernmental
Panel on Climate Change**

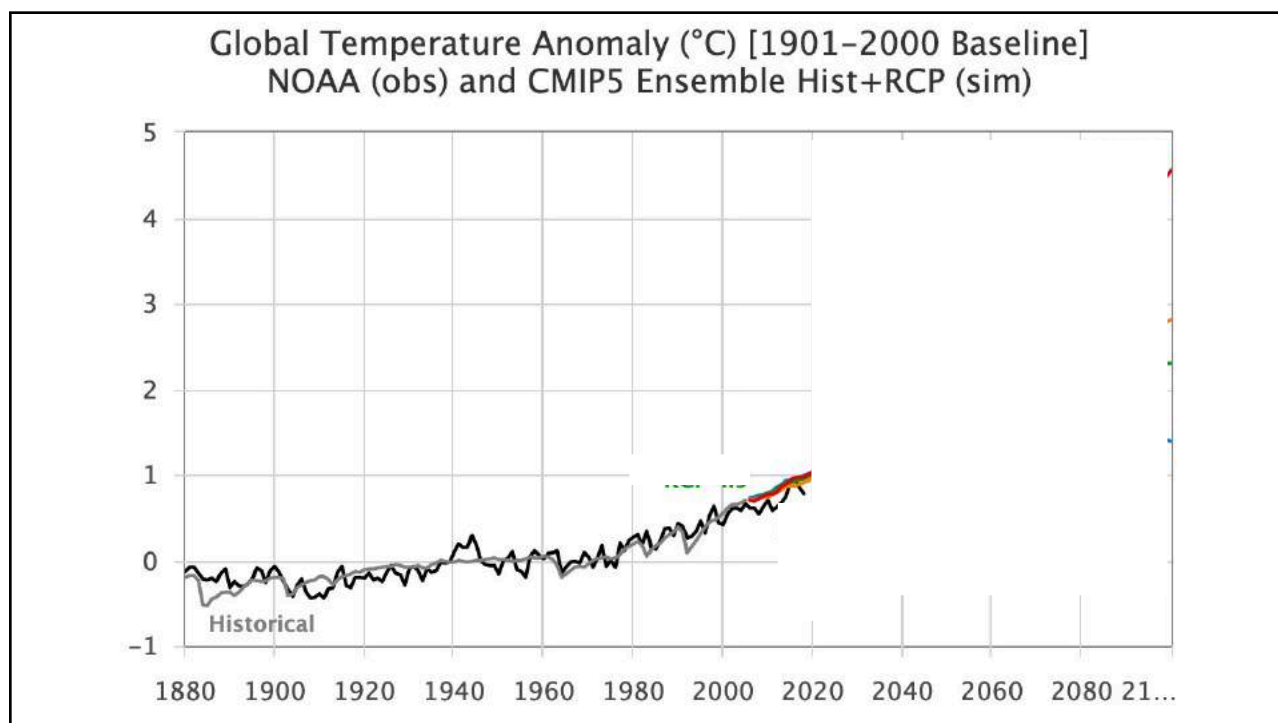
The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is the United Nations body for assessing the science related to climate change.




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1.5°C of warming (or 2.7°F) 

-  Increase of **3.0 - 4.5°C (5.4 - 8.1°F)** in extreme temperatures in some regions¹
-  **70%** of coral reefs bleached²
-  Drought: **2 months longer**
Increase in average drought length³
-  **13%** of people face severe heat waves at least every 5 years⁴

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2°C of warming (or 3.6°F)



Risk of river flooding **more than doubles**¹

Average 170% increase in river flooding, with highest risk in U.S., Asia, and Europe



90% of coral reefs bleached²



Drought: **4 months longer**

Increase in average drought length³



Over 50% of world's population exposed to lethal heat for more than 20 days per year⁴

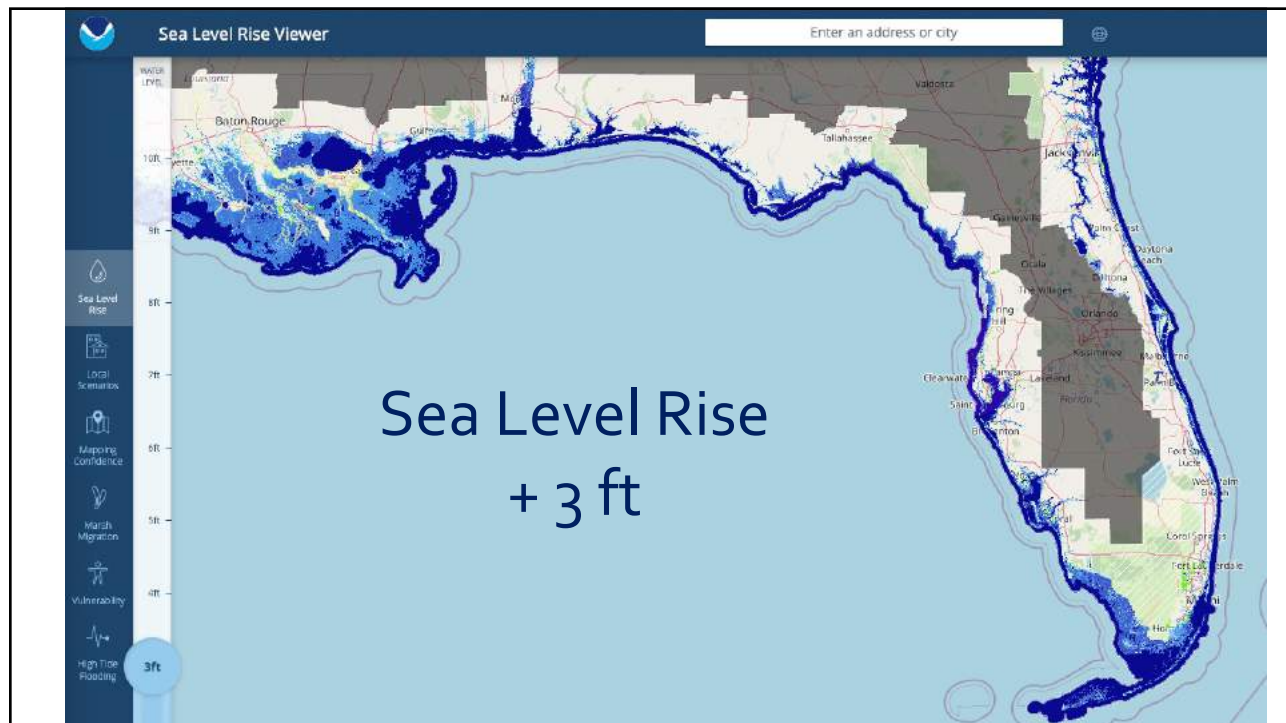
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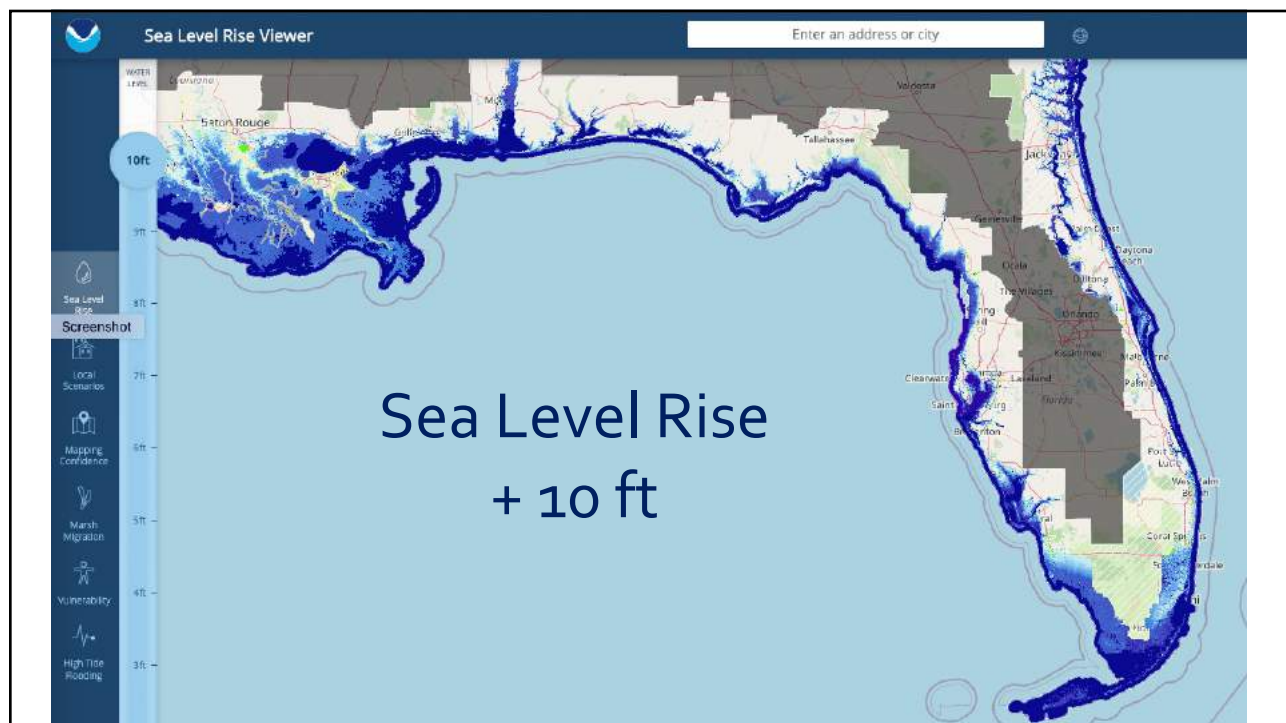
Sea Level Rise

<https://coast.noaa.gov/slr/>

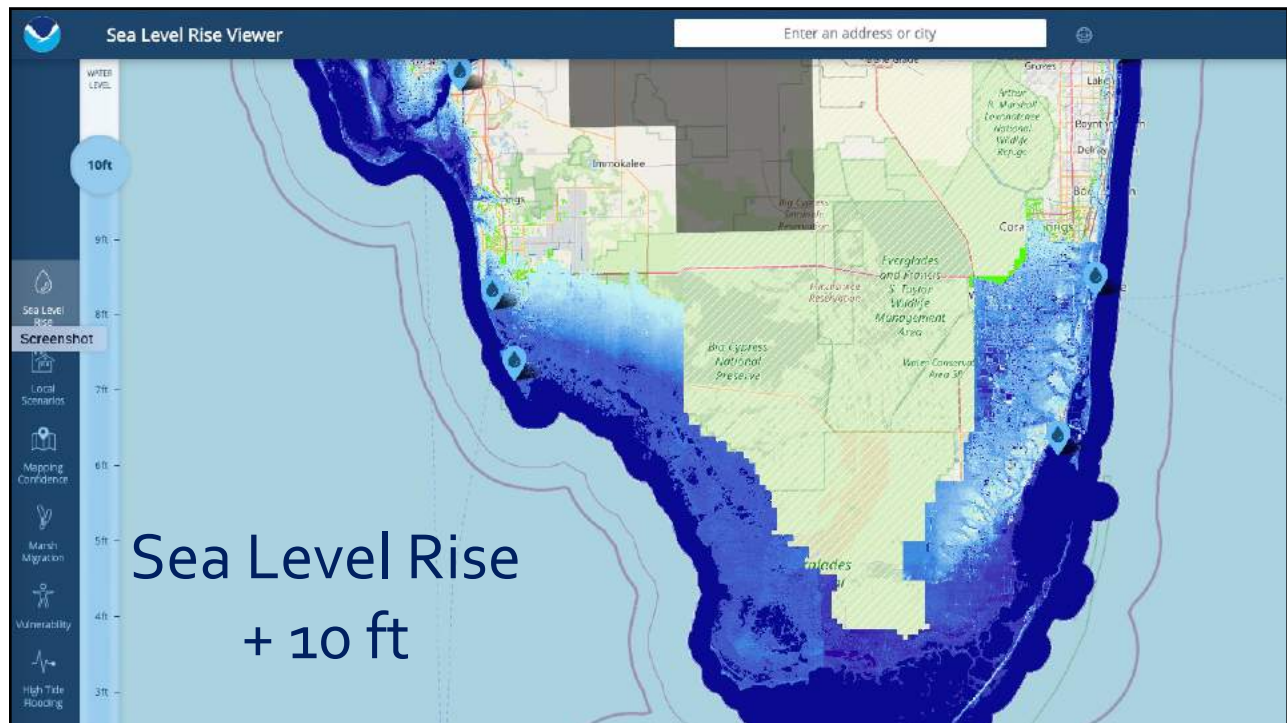
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What does the future of the tropics look like?

