# **SQL Queries For Deforestation Exploration Project**

#### **Create Forestation view**

```
DROP VIEW IF EXISTS forestation;
CREATE VIEW forestation
AS
  (SELECT f.country code,
          f.country name
AS
          country,
          f.year,
          r.region,
          ( 1 total area sq mi * 2.59 )
AS
             total area sqkm,
          f.forest area sqkm,
          (f.forest area sqkm / (l.total area sq mi * 2.59)) * 100
AS
          percent forest area
          forest area AS f
   FROM
          JOIN land area AS 1
            ON f.country code = 1.country code
               AND f.year = 1.year
          JOIN regions AS r
            ON f.country code = r.country code);
```

#### Part 1 - GLOBAL SITUATION: SQL Queries Used

a. What was the total forest area (in sq km) of the world in 1990? Please keep in mind that you can use the country record denoted as "World" in the region table.

b. What was the total forest area (in sq km) of the world in 2016? Please keep in mind that the country record in the table is denoted as "World."

```
SELECT country,
          year,
          forest_area_sqkm
FROM forestation
WHERE country = 'World'
AND year = 2016;
```

c. What was the change (in sq km) in the forest area of the world from 1990 to 2016?

d. What was the percent change in forest area of the world between 1990 and 2016?

```
WITH forest area 1990
     AS (SELECT forest area sqkm AS area 1990
        FROM forestation
         WHERE country = 'World'
               AND year = 1990),
     forest area 2016
     AS (SELECT forest area sqkm AS area 2016
        FROM forestation
         WHERE country = 'World'
               AND year = 2016),
     area diff
     AS (SELECT ( area 1990 - area 2016 )
                                                            AS diff,
                ( area 1990 - area 2016 ) / area 1990 * 100 AS
percent diff
        FROM forest area 1990,
               forest area 2016)
SELECT diff,
      Round (percent diff :: NUMERIC, 2)
      area diff;
FROM
```

e. If you compare the amount of forest area lost between 1990 and 2016, to which country's total area in 2016 is it closest to?

```
SELECT DISTINCT country,
total_area_sqkm
FROM forestation
WHERE total area sqkm BETWEEN 1270000 AND 1350000;
```

# Part 2 - Regional Outlook

```
WITH
-- forest area percentage in 1990
fap 1990
AS (SELECT region,
           year,
           Round(( SUM(forest area sqkm * 100) / SUM(total area sqkm)
) ::
                 NUMERIC,
           2) AS
           forest area percent 1990
    FROM forestation
    WHERE year = 1990
    GROUP BY region,
              year
    ORDER BY region),
     -- forest area percentage in 2016
     fap 2016
     AS (SELECT region,
                Round(( SUM(forest_area sqkm * 100) /
SUM(total area sqkm) ) ::
                      NUMERIC,
                2) AS
                forest area percent 2016
         FROM forestation
         WHERE year = 2016
         GROUP BY region,
                   year
         ORDER BY region)
SELECT f1.region,
       fl.forest area percent 1990,
       f2.forest area percent 2016,
```

- a. What was the percent forest of the entire world in 2016? Which region had the HIGHEST percent forest in 2016, and which had the LOWEST, to 2 decimal places?
  - Used above query and change ORDER BY as f2.forest\_area\_percent\_2016
- b. What was the percent forest of the entire world in 1990? Which region had the HIGHEST percent forest in 1990, and which had the LOWEST, to 2 decimal places?
  - Used above query and change ORDER BY as f1.forest\_area\_percent\_1990
- c. Based on the table you created, which regions of the world DECREASED in forest areas from 1990 to 2016?
   Use the above query as it is.

# Part - 3 Country Level Details

# **A Success Story**

a. Which 5 countries saw the largest amount decrease in forest area from 1990 to 2016? What was the difference in forest area for each?

### Top 5 Forest area increase as country level

```
year,
              region,
              forest area sqkm
              forestation
       FROM
       WHERE year = 2016
              country IS NOT NULL)
       AND
SELECT
         c1.country,
         c1.region,
         c1 forest area sqkm
                                                        AS fa 1990,
         c2 forest area sqkm
                                                        AS fa 2016,
         ( c2.forest_area_sqkm - c1.forest_area_sqkm ) AS diff_fa
                                                        AS c1
FROM
         country 1990
         country 2016
                                                        AS c2
JOIN
         c1.country = c2.country
ON
         cl.forest area sqkm IS NOT NULL
WHERE
         c2 forest area sqkm IS NOT NULL
AND
ORDER BY diff fa DESC limit 5;
```

#### Top 5 forest area decrease as country level

```
WITH country 1990 AS
       SELECT country,
              year,
              region,
              forest area sqkm
              forestation
       FROM
       WHERE year = 1990
       AND
              country IS NOT NULL), country_2016 AS
(
       SELECT country,
              year,
              region,
              forest area sqkm
              forestation
       FROM
       WHERE year = 2016
              country IS NOT NULL)
       AND
SELECT
         c1.country,
         c1.region,
         c1 forest area sqkm
                                                        AS fa 1990,
         c2 forest area sqkm
                                                        AS fa 2016,
         ( c2.forest area sqkm - c1.forest area sqkm ) AS diff fa
         country 1990
                                                        AS c1
FROM
         country 2016
JOIN
                                                         AS c2
```

```
ON c1.country = c2.country
WHERE c1.forest_area_sqkm IS NOT NULL
AND c2.forest_area_sqkm IS NOT NULL
ORDER BY diff_fa limit 5;
```

b. Which 5 countries saw the largest percent decrease in forest area from 1990 to 2016? What was the percent change to 2 decimal places for each?

### Top 5 Largest percent increase in forest area

```
WITH country 1990 AS
(
       SELECT country,
              year,
              region,
              forest area sqkm
       FROM
              forestation
       WHERE year = 1990
       AND
              country IS NOT NULL
       AND
              forest area sqkm IS NOT NULL), country 2016 AS
(
       SELECT country,
              year,
              region,
              forest area sqkm
       FROM
              forestation
       WHERE year = 2016
              country IS NOT NULL
       AND
       AND
              forest area sqkm IS NOT NULL)
         c1.country,
SELECT
         c1.region,
         c1 forest area sqkm
AS fa 1990,
         c2 forest area sqkm
AS fa 2016,
Round(((c2.forest area sqkm-c1.forest area sqkm)*100/c1.forest area sq
km) :: numeric,2) AS percent diff fa
FROM
         country 1990
AS c1
JOIN
         country 2016
AS c2
         c1.country = c2.country
ORDER BY percent diff fa DESC limit 5;
```

#### Top 5 Largest percent decrease in forest area

```
WITH country 1990 AS
       SELECT country,
              year,
              region,
              forest_area_sqkm
              forestation
       FROM
       WHERE year = 1990
             country IS NOT NULL
       AND
       AND
              forest area sqkm IS NOT NULL), country 2016 AS
(
       SELECT country,
              year,
              region,
              forest area sqkm
       FROM
              forestation
       WHERE year = 2016
              country IS NOT NULL
       AND
      AND
              forest area sqkm IS NOT NULL)
SELECT
         c1.country,
         c1.region,
         c1 forest area sqkm
AS fa 1990,
         c2.forest area sqkm
AS fa 2016,
Round(((c2.forest area sqkm-c1.forest area sqkm)*100/c1.forest area sq
km) :: numeric,2) AS percent diff fa
FROM
         country 1990
AS c1
JOIN
       country 2016
AS c2
         c1.country = c2.country
ORDER BY percent diff fa limit 5;
```

### **Quartiles**

c. If countries were grouped by percent forestation in quartiles, which group had the most countries in it in 2016?

```
WITH t1
     AS (SELECT country,
                CASE
                  WHEN percent forest area >= 75 THEN 'Quartile
4 (>75%) '
                  WHEN percent forest area >= 50 THEN 'Quartile
3 (50%-75%) '
                  WHEN percent forest area >= 25 THEN 'Quartile
2 (25%-50%) '
                  ELSE 'Quartile 1(<25%)'</pre>
                END AS quartile
         FROM forestation
         WHERE year = 2016
                AND percent forest area IS NOT NULL)
SELECT quartile,
       Count(*) AS countries
FROM
      t1
GROUP BY quartile
ORDER BY quartile;
  d. List all of the countries that were in the 4th quartile (percent forest > 75%)
     in 2016.
SELECT country,
       region,
       Round (percent forest area :: NUMERIC, 2) AS pct fa
FROM
      forestation
WHERE year = 2016
       AND percent forest area > 75
ORDER BY pct fa DESC;
```

e. How many countries had a percent forestation higher than the United States in 2016?