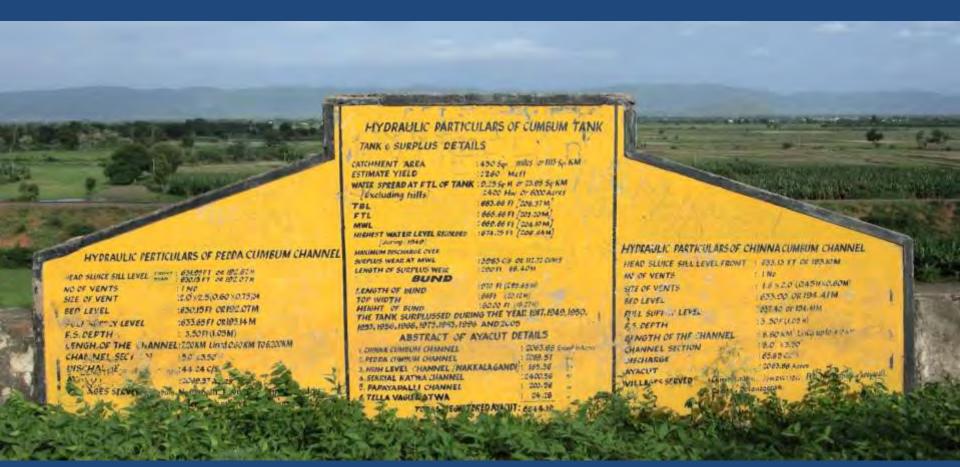
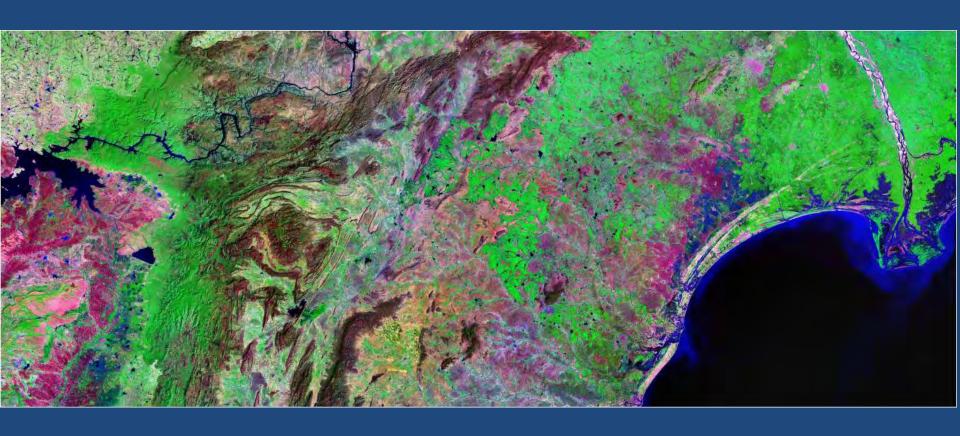
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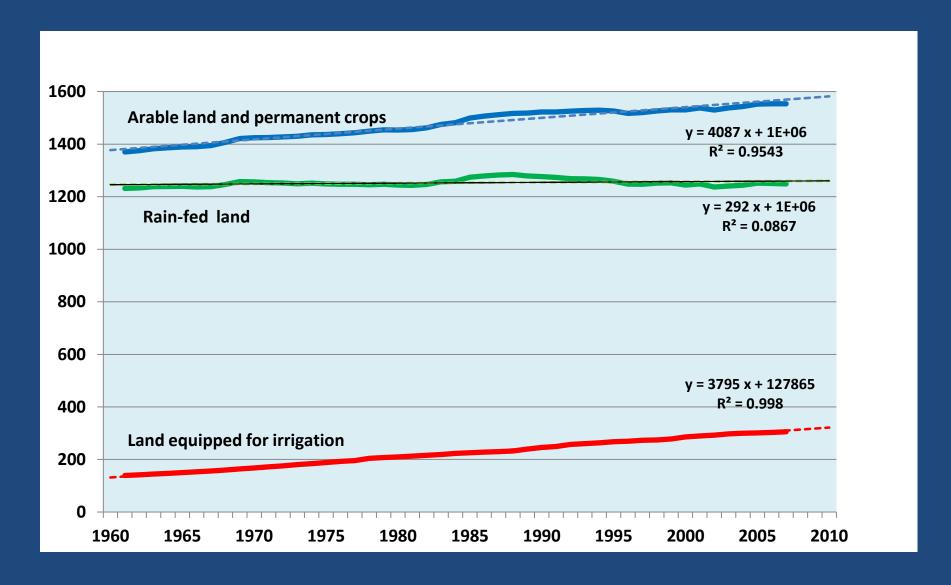








#### World agricultural land 1961 – 2007 (million ha)



# Feeding the 9 billion - toward 2050 sources of growth

Projected growth in agricultural output to meet demand

- 43% by 2030,
- 70% by 2050

Global cereal demand projected to rise from ~2 to ~3 billion t.

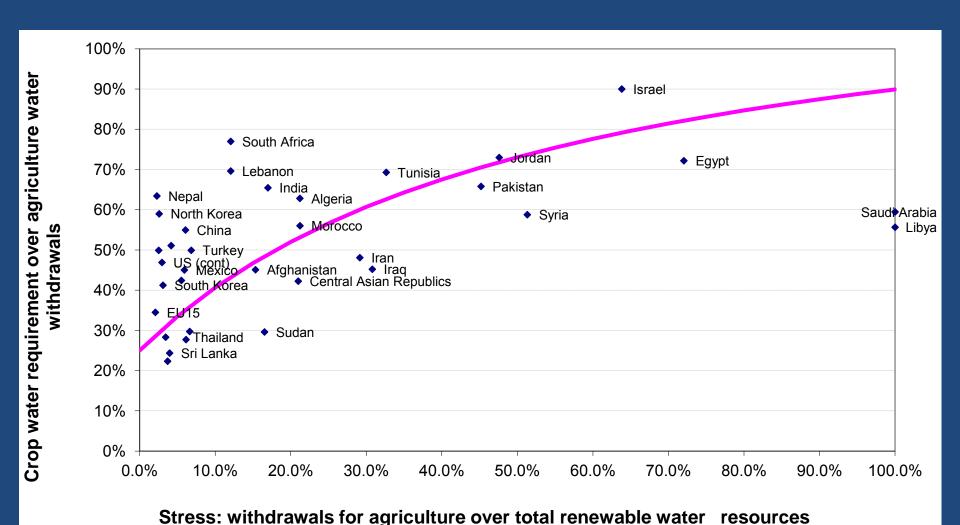
80% of the growth in developing countries from intensification

- yield increases (70%)
- higher cropping intensities (10%).

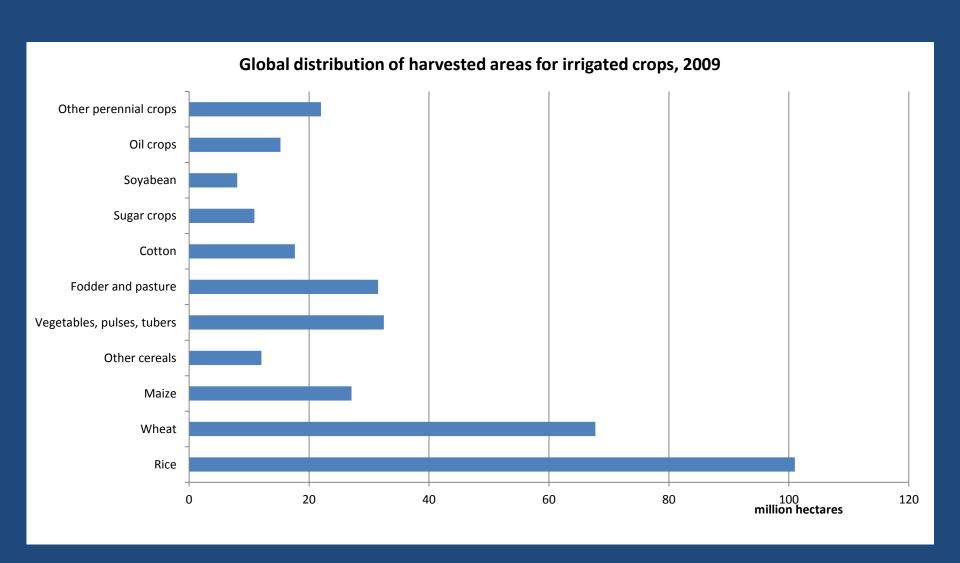
### FAO Global Projections of Irrigated Areas (m ha)

	2006	2050
Area equipped:	301	318
Area Actually Irrigated:	257	271
Area harvested:	327	350
Irrigation water withdrawals km <sup>3</sup>	2 711	2 988

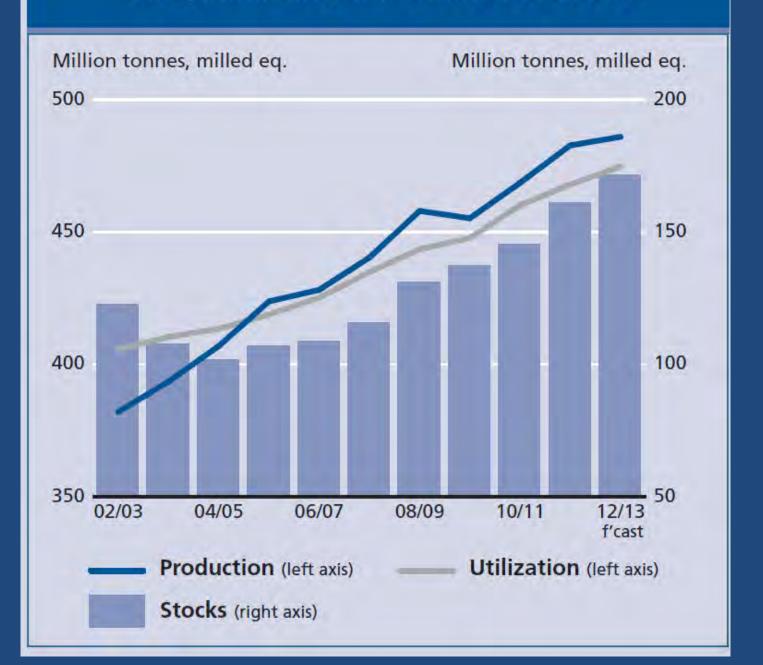
#### Is water stress driving 'efficiency'?



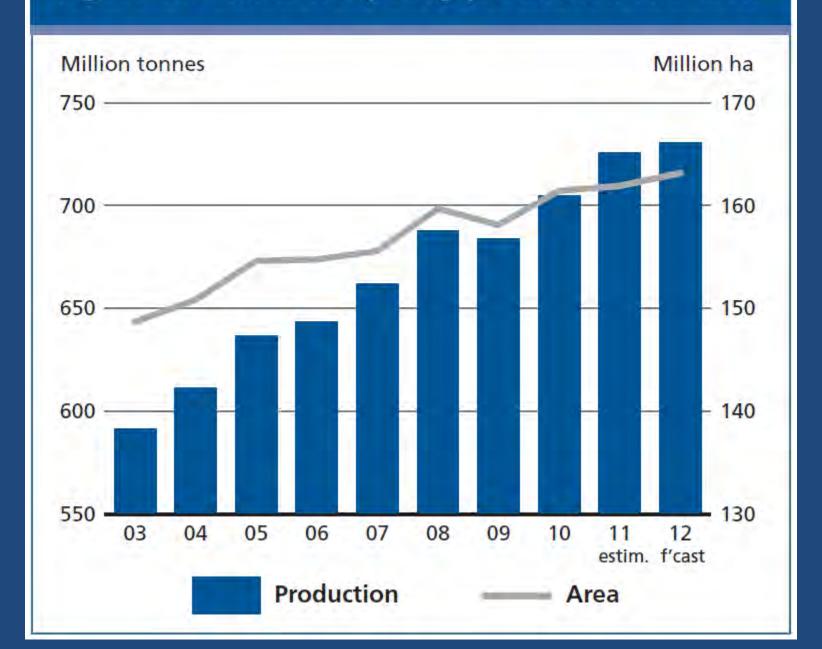
## Main irrigated crops

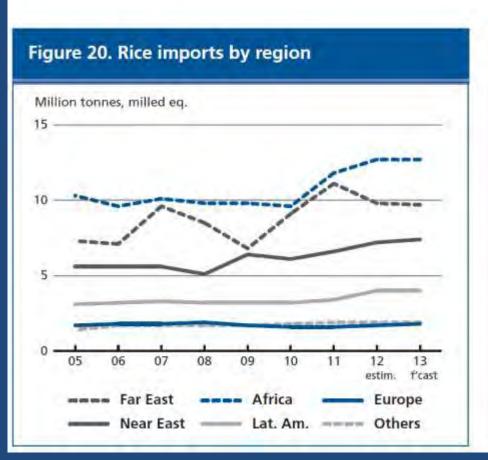


#### Rice production, utilization and stocks



#### Figure 17. Global rice paddy production and area





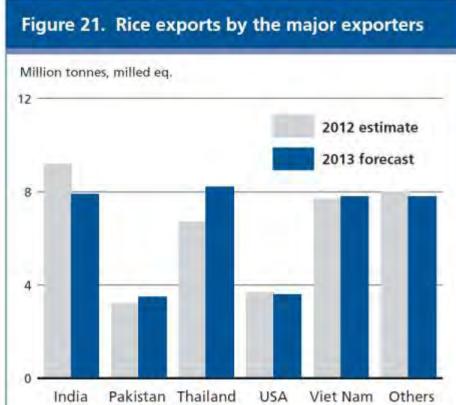
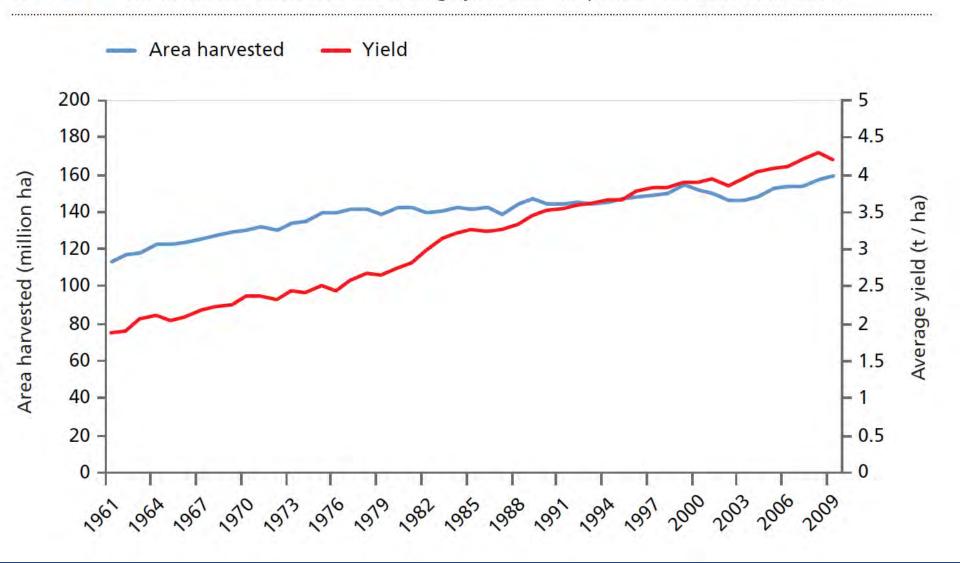


FIGURE 1 World rice harvested area and average yield over the period 1961-2009 (FAO, 2011).



# Does the groundwater message get through?

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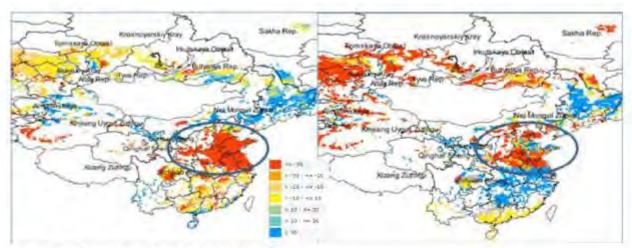
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#### A severe winter drought in the North China Plain may put wheat production at risk

Substantially below-normal rainfall since October 2010 (see Figure 1a) in the North China Plain, the country's main winter wheat producing area, puts at risk the winter wheat crop to be harvested later in the month of June. Low precipitation resulting in diminished snow cover (see Figure 1b) has reduced the protection of dormant wheat plants against frost kill temperatures (usually below -18°C) during winter months from December to February. Low precipitation and thin snow cover have also jeopardized the soil moisture availability for the post-dormant growing period; see crop calendar shown in Figure 3. Thus, the ongoing drought is potentially a serious problem.

Figure 1a: Cumulative rainfall<sup>1</sup>

Figure 1b: Average snow depth2



Source: GIEWS analysis based on the JRC/MARSOP web Tool.

Cumulative rainfall (1" dekad of October 2010 to 2" dekad of January 2011) as a percent deviation from the long term average (LTA).

Average snow depth (1<sup>st</sup> dekad of October 2010 to 2<sup>nd</sup> dekad of January 2011) as a percent deviation from LTA Main agricultural area at risk circled.

