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Introduction to CropWatch Explore

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Outline

• What's the CropWatch Explorer

- Special products within CropWatch Explorer
- Information at MPZ level
- Information at MRU level
- Information at Countries level
- Customize information for special Country
- Conclusion and Outlook

CropWatch Explorer

- CropWatch Explorer is an agricultural information display and query system based on Web-GIS technology.
- Users can use CropWatch Explorer to read the information generated by CropWatch Pro, display it in tabular, vector, and raster formats, and export the information to support CropWatch analysis.



CropExplorer's mission



Provide data-based service for agricultural analysis of CropWatch Bulletins



Provide customized agricultural information (information + knowledge) for users' decision making

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Change from information provider to food security solution provider

CropWatch Explorer

• Visiting address[Training Course]

http://cloud.cropwatch.com.cn/



CropWatch Explorer-Register



CropWatch Explorer-Log in



Username Password

CropWatch Explorer-Main Interface

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Information types of CropWatch-Explorer

Information categories: agri-climatic, agronomic, production Type of information visualization: vector, raster, cluster 4 spatial scale: major production zones, map reporting unit



CropWatch Explorer-Vector(Polygon)



CropWatch Explorer-Raster(Pixel)

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CropWatch Explorer-Cluster



Summary of Indicators

- Agri-climatic Indicators: RAIN, TEMP, PAR, BIOMASS
- Agronomic Indicators: NDVI, VCIx, CALF, CI, LAI, FPAR
- Production Index: Crop production, cropped area, crop yield
- Early Warning Indicators: CPI
- High-resolution monitoring: crop classification, cropping intensity, rice mapping



Agri-climatic indicators

RAIN: accumulated rain within reporting period, departure of the rain is percent departure of the value for the reporting period compared to the recent 15 years average.

- Departure > 10%, meaning wet condition
- Departure < 10%, meaning dry condition •
- Departure is between -10% and 10%, meaning close to normal

TEMP: average temperature (°C) within reporting period, departure of temp is the difference between TEMP value over the reporting period compared with the average of the recent 15 years average.

- Departure > 0.5°C, meaning heat stress
- Departure < 0.5°C, meaning cold stress
- Departure is between -0.5°C and 0.5°C, meaning abnormal

RADPAR : accumulated PAR within reporting period (W/m²,) departure of PAR is the percent departure of the RADPAR value for the reporting period compared to the recent 15 years average. [ENERGY stress]

Biomass: accumulated Biomass (dry gram, g/m²), is shown as the percent departure of the Biomass value for the reporting period compared to the recent 15 years average.

$$PAR_{Dep} = \frac{PAR_{cur_season} - PAR_{15years_avg}}{PAR_{15years_avg}} \times 100\%$$

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Agronomic indicators

- Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI): An estimate of the density of living green biomass, it is widely used as indicator for crop condition.
- Maximum Vegetation Condition Index (VCIx): Vegetation condition of the current season compared with historical data. Values usually are [0, 1], where 0.5 is "NDVI as bad as the average" and 1 is "NDVI as good as the best recent year."
- Cropped Arable Land Fraction (CALF): The area of cropped arable land as fraction of total (cropped and uncropped) arable land. Whether a pixel is cropped or not is decided based on NDVI.
- **Cropping Intensity (CI):** CI describes the extent to which arable land is used over a year. It is the ratio of the total crop area of all planting seasons in a year to the total area of arable land.
- Leaf area index (LAI) : LAI is a dimensionless quantity that characterizes plant canopies. It is defined
 as the one-sided green leaf area per unit ground surface area (LAI = leaf area / ground area, m2 / m2) in
 broadleaf canopies.
- The fraction of absorbed photosynthetically active radiation (FAPAR): FAPAR is the fraction of the incoming solar radiation in the photosynthetically active radiation spectral region that is absorbed by a photosynthetic organism, typically describing the light absorption across an integrated plant canopy.

Production Index & Early Warning indicator

- Cropped area: It is a surface of land on which a crop is grown
- Crop yield: Crop yield is a standard measurement of the amount of agricultural production harvested yield of a crop—per unit of land area.
- **Crop production:** the result of cropped area multiply crop yield.
- **CPI:** The average crop production situation for the same period in the past five years was used as a benchmark to make an overall estimate of the current season's agricultural production situation. A value of 1.0 represents the basic normal crop production situation in the current period for the spatial unit, and the higher the value, the better the crop production situation in the current period. Conversely, the lower the value, the worse the crop production situation for the spatial unit in the current period.

Indicators of High-resolution monitoring

- Crop classification
- Cropping intensity
- Rice mapping





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Products-Precipitation

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Products-TEMP



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Products-PAR



Products-Potential Biomass



Products-NDVI



Products-VCIx



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Products-Cropped Arable Land Fraction(CALF)

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Products-Cropping Intensity



Products-CPI



Products-Crop types in the Northeast China(2022)

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Products-Southeast Asian Paddy Fields



Products-Global Irrigation Fraction

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Products-Global Cropland (2019-2021)



CropWatch-Cropland on the Earth



CropWatch-Cropping Intensity on the Earth

2020 global 30-m cropping intensity (GCI30_2020)

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Grid Products-Production of Rice



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Grid Products-Production of Wheat



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Grid Products-Production of Soybean



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Information at MPZ level



7 MPZ: Agro-climatic information





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This box shows precipitation information in current year, last year, maximum and average value of last 5 years



Users can close or open the value series of special group through clicking any icon

User can print the chart or download and save the time series to your computer as pictures(PNG, JPEG, PDF, SVG) or table(XLS, CSV) format



Close 5 YA average



Click



Rainfall-10 days



7 MPZ: Agronomic information



Agronomic-NDVI Select NDVI

The crop condition can be described by NDVI



Agronomic-NDVI



Agronomic-NDVI



In general, compared the current NDVI value with the same time of last year, last 5 year's average, and last 5 year's maximum value, the users can assess crop condition easily



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Information at MRU Level

What's meaning of MRU

- CropWatch divided the global into 65 agri-climatic zones based on climate, terrain, agricultural activities, etc.
- The purpose of designing MRUs is to provide more detail agricultural information to users and help them understanding agricultural information patterns change.



01:Equatorial central Africa 02:East African highlands 03:Gulf of Guinea 04:Horn of Africa 05:Madagascar (main) 06:Southwest Madagascar 07:North Africa Mediterranean 08:Sahel 09:Southern Africa 10:Western Cape (South Africa) 11:British Columbia to Colorado 12:Northern Great Plains 13:Corn Belt 14:Cotton Belt to Mexican Noreste 15:Sub-boreal America 16:West Coast (North America) 17:Sierra Madre 18:Southwest U.S. and north Mexican highlands 19:Northern South and Central America 20:Caribbean 21:Central-northern Andes 22:Nordeste (Brazil)

23:Central eastern Brazil 24:Amazon 25:Central-north Argentina 26:Pampas 27:Western Patagonia 28:Semi-arid Southern Cone 29:Caucasus 30:Pamir area 31:Western Asia 32:Gansu-Xinjiang (China) 33:Hainan (China) 34:Huanghuaihai (China) 35:Inner Mongolia (China) 36:Loess region (China) 37:Lower Yangtze (China) 38:Northeast China 39:Qinghai-Tibet (China) 40:Southern China 41:Southwest China 42:Taiwan (China) 43:East Asia 44:Southern Himalayas

45:Southern Asia 46:Southern Japan and Korea 47:Southern Mongolia 48:Punjab to Gujarat 49:Maritime Southeast Asia 50:Mainland Southeast Asia 51:Eastern Siberia 52:Eastern Central Asia 53:Northern Australia 54:Queensland to Victoria 55:Nullarbor to Darling 56:New Zealand 57:Boreal Eurasia 58:Ukraine to Ural mountains 59:Mediterranean Europe and Turkey 60:W. Europe (non Mediterranean) 61:Boreal America 62:Ural to Altai mountains 63:Australian desert 64:Sahara to Afghan deserts 65:Sub-arctic America

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Information can be showed at MRU level



Information Search at MRUs Users can select different indices



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Average Temperature

Time Frequency: period, dekad

Means of Value: departure from 15 YA(%)

Funcion: indicate temperature stress









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Time Frequency: period, dekad

Means of Value: departure from 15 YA(%)

Function: indicate energy stress





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Time Frequency: period Means of Value: departure from 15 YA(%)

Function: indicate biomass determined by weather condtion





Normalized Difference Vegetation Index(NDVI)

Time Frequency: Julian day(16)

Means of Value: absolute value of NDVI

Function: indicate crop condition at different crop growing stage.

 Same crop in the field, more higher NDVI, means better condition, otherwise, worse condition



Maximum Vegetation Index(VCIx)



- Time Frequency: period, dekad
 - Means of Value: compare with last 5YA, what's is the NDVI level
- Function: indicating the crop condition at different crop growing stage compared to last 5 year's average
 - $\circ\,$ Worse crop
 - condition: < 0.5
 - Favorable crop
 - condition: > 1

CALF(Cropped Arable Land Fraction)



Time Frequency: period

Means of Value: fraction of cropped land account for area of interest

Function: indicate the progress of sowing, harvesting,or early warning of crop production



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MPZ MRU

Country/Province Country/AEZ

Leaf Area²²² Index(LAL)

Time Frequency: 8 days

Function: indicate crop yield, the same crop in the field, higher LAI means high yield, otherwise, low yield

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Time Frequency: 8 days Function: indicates capacity of energy absorbtion by crop

Fraction of Absorbed Photosynthetically Active Radiation(FPAR)

Information at Country Level(Province)



Information at country



Period

Information at country- Nigeria



Provide province's information for 173 countries



Agro-climatic information at province level of Nigeria



Agronomic information at province









Information at country Level(AEZ)

Information at the country Level(AEZ)-Agroclimatic Info.


Information at the country Level(AEZ) - Agronomic Info



Information for special country



Interface of CropWatch for Thailand-NDVI



Interface of CropWatch for Thailand-VCIx



Interface of CropWatch for Thailand-CALF



Interface of CropWatch for Thailand-Cropping Intensity





How to provide information for specific countries

Identify information needs Provide basic data: borders, crop masks, etc. Training courses: basic skills





Conclusion and Outlook

Conclusion

This presentation introduces the functions of CropWatch Explorer and how to use it to search and download information (images and tables) at MPZ, MRU, national and provincial (AEZ) level, and details of special countries.

We hope that every colleague will understand and master this function.

All information generated by CropWatch Pro will be displayed in CropWatch Explorer, including raster information.

Outlook

O2 CropWatch Explorer will provide information personalised to the specific needs of the user (any region, any time, anyone).



Practices

More&Practise











Julian Day \bigcirc







Change the background map



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Exporting tables, maps, and data



Exporting Maps



Exporting Tables



Welcome to join us!!!

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