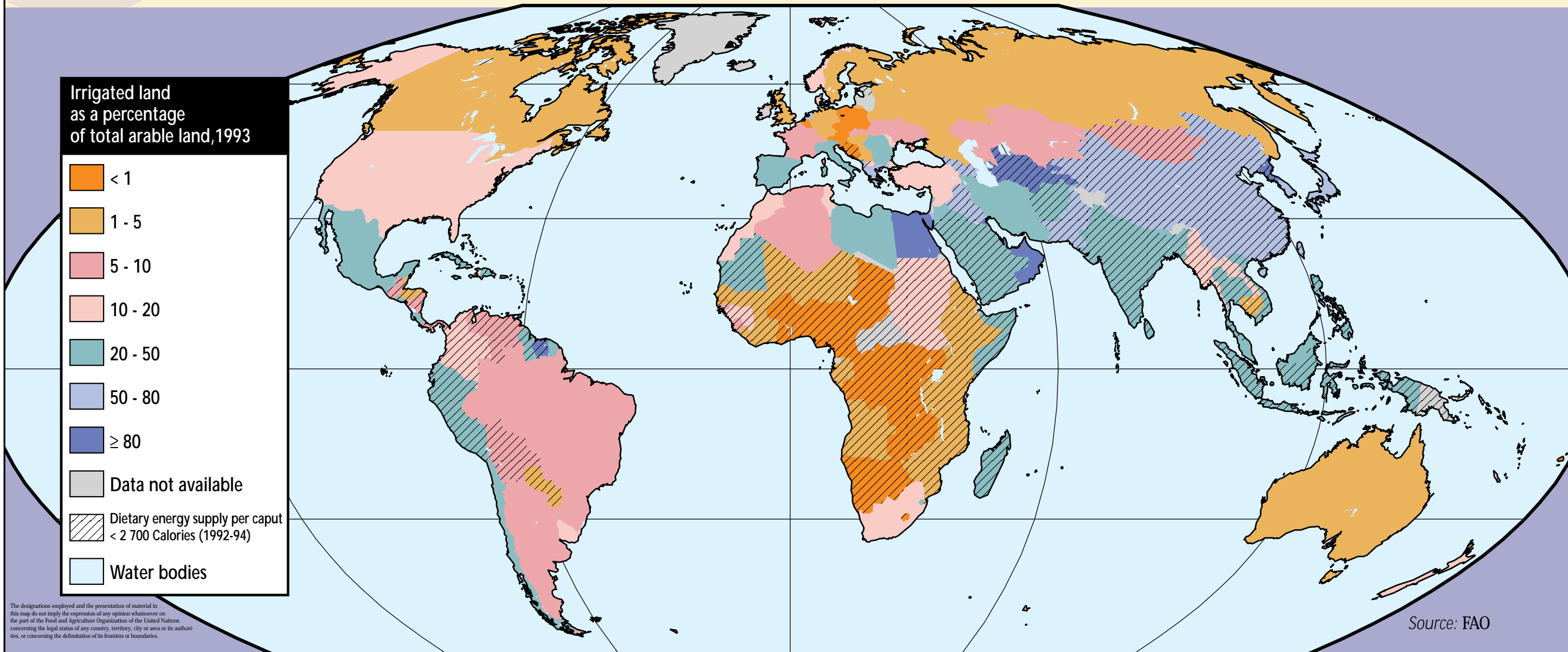




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Irrigated land can yield three to ten times more food per hectare (through increased yields or higher-value crops) than rain-fed land. The efficient use of both current and potential

irrigation sources, as well as the improvement of water control in general, is essential for increasing agricultural productivity as well as decreasing production variability.