



Le cycle du carbone dans un climat perturbé !

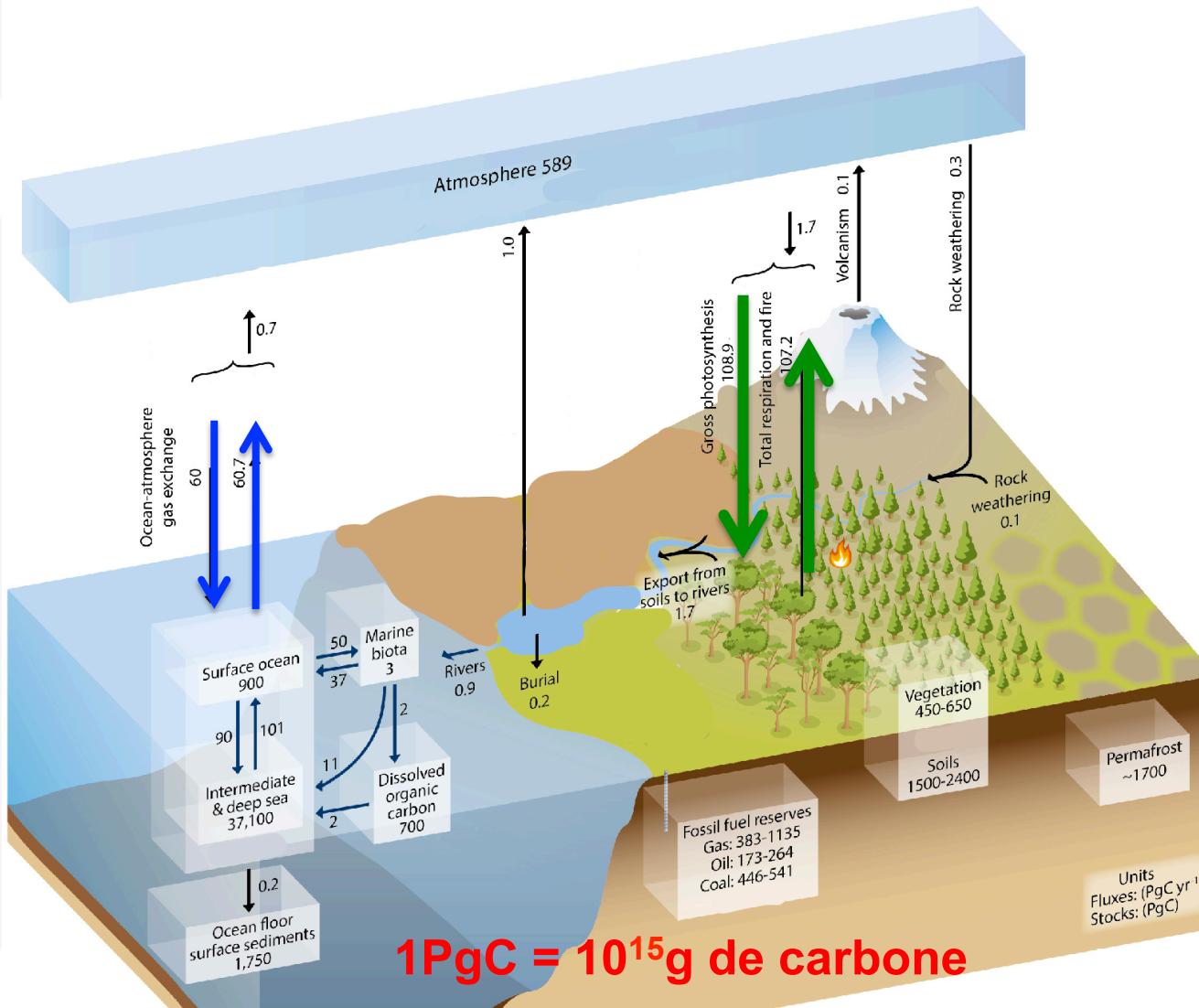
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Plan :

- Le cycle du carbone naturel
- La perturbation anthropique
- Réponse des écosystèmes à la perturbation
- Evolution future du cycle du carbone et incertitudes

Cycle naturel pré-industriel du CO₂



1PgC = 10¹⁵g de carbone

↓ Photosynthèse brute
108.9 PgC/an

↑ Respiration et feux
107.2 PgC/an

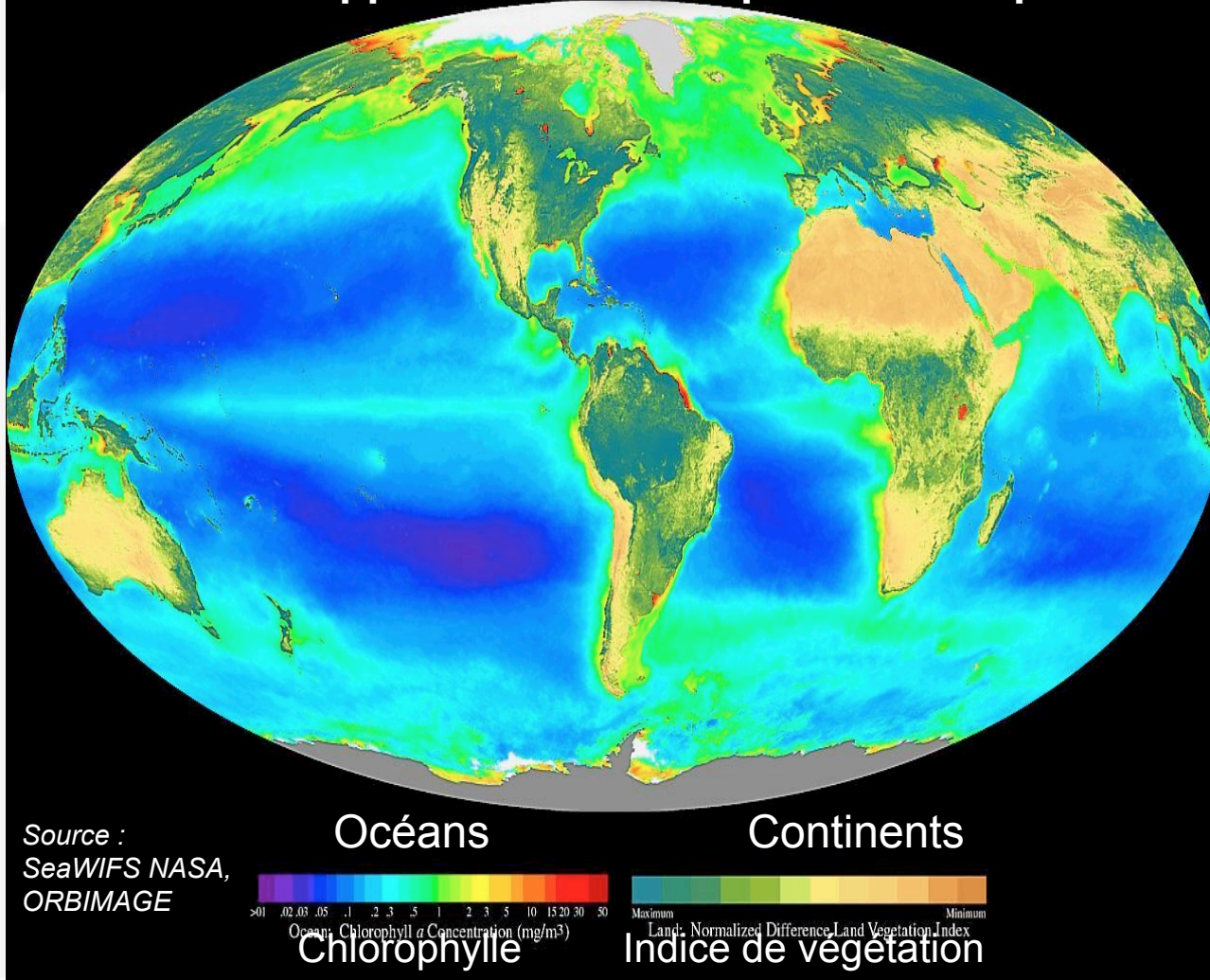
↓ Absorption océans
60 Pg/an

↑ Dégazage océans
60.7 Pg/an

↕ Erosions, rivières,
volcans, sédimentation
2 PgC/an

Productivité Primaire continentale et océanique

Indicateurs approximatifs de la productivité primaire



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~ 60 PgC/an

Assurée par les
Plantes vasculaires

Limitée par:

Lumière

Température

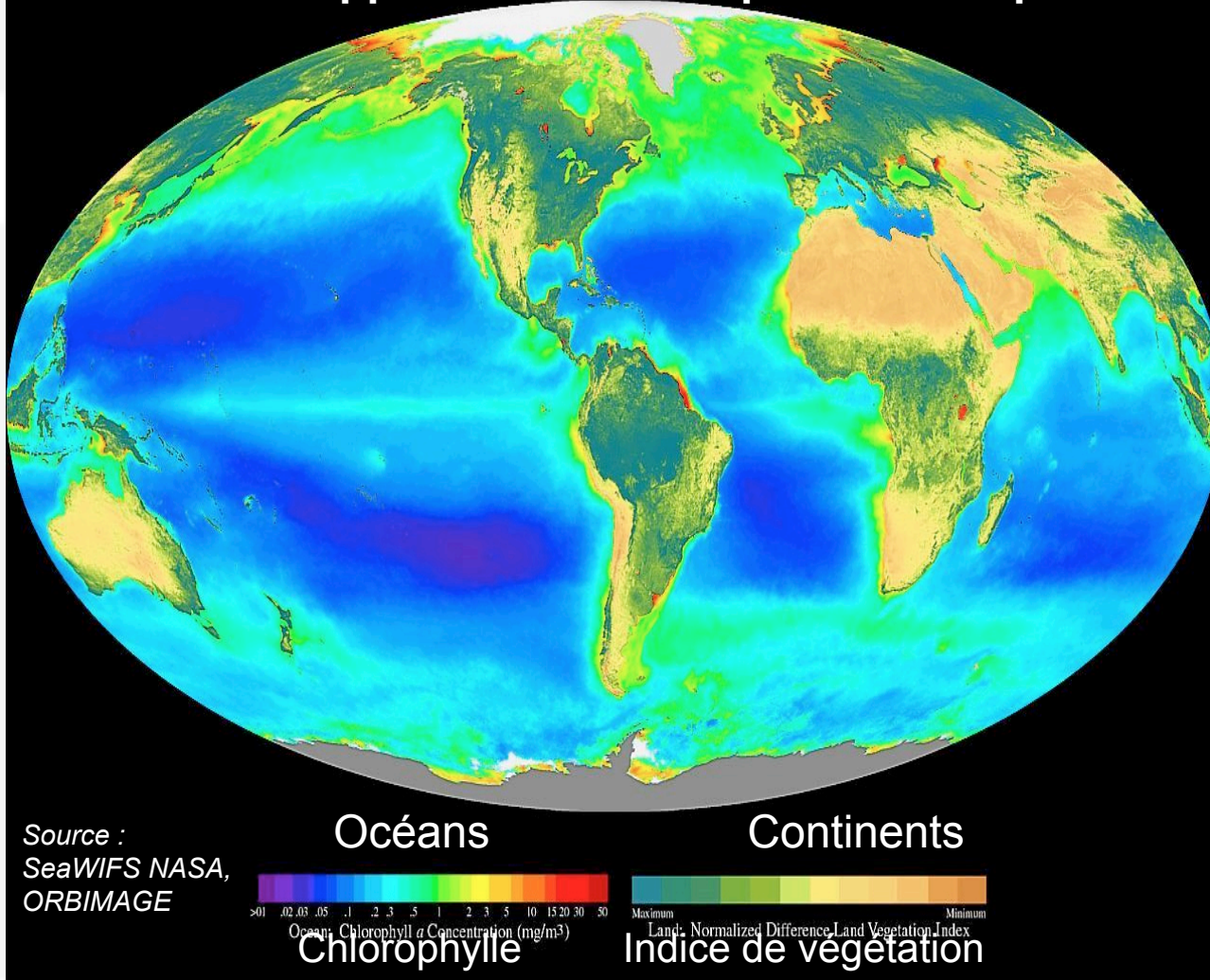
Eau

Nutriments (C, N, P,...)

Productivité Primaire Nette = Photosynthèse brute - Respiration végétale

Productivité Primaire continentale et océanique

Indicateurs approximatifs de la productivité primaire



OCEANS

~ 50 PgC/an

**Assurée par le
phytoplancton**

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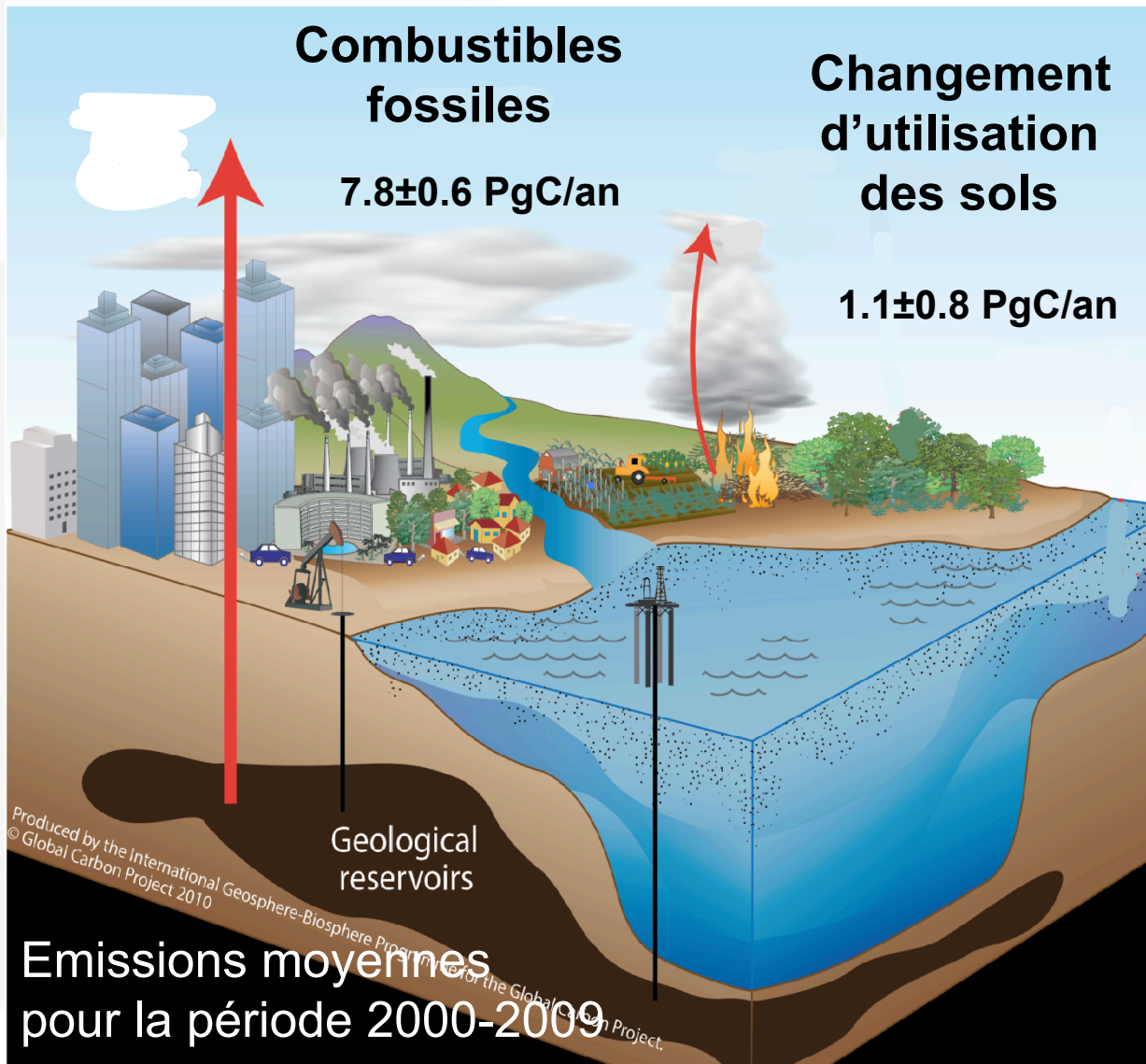
Lumière

Nutriments (C, N, P,...)

Fer

Productivité Primaire Nette = Photosynthèse brute - Respiration végétale

Perturbation du cycle naturel du carbone



Combustion de charbon, de pétrole et de gaz

$7.8 \pm 0.6 \text{ PgC/an}$

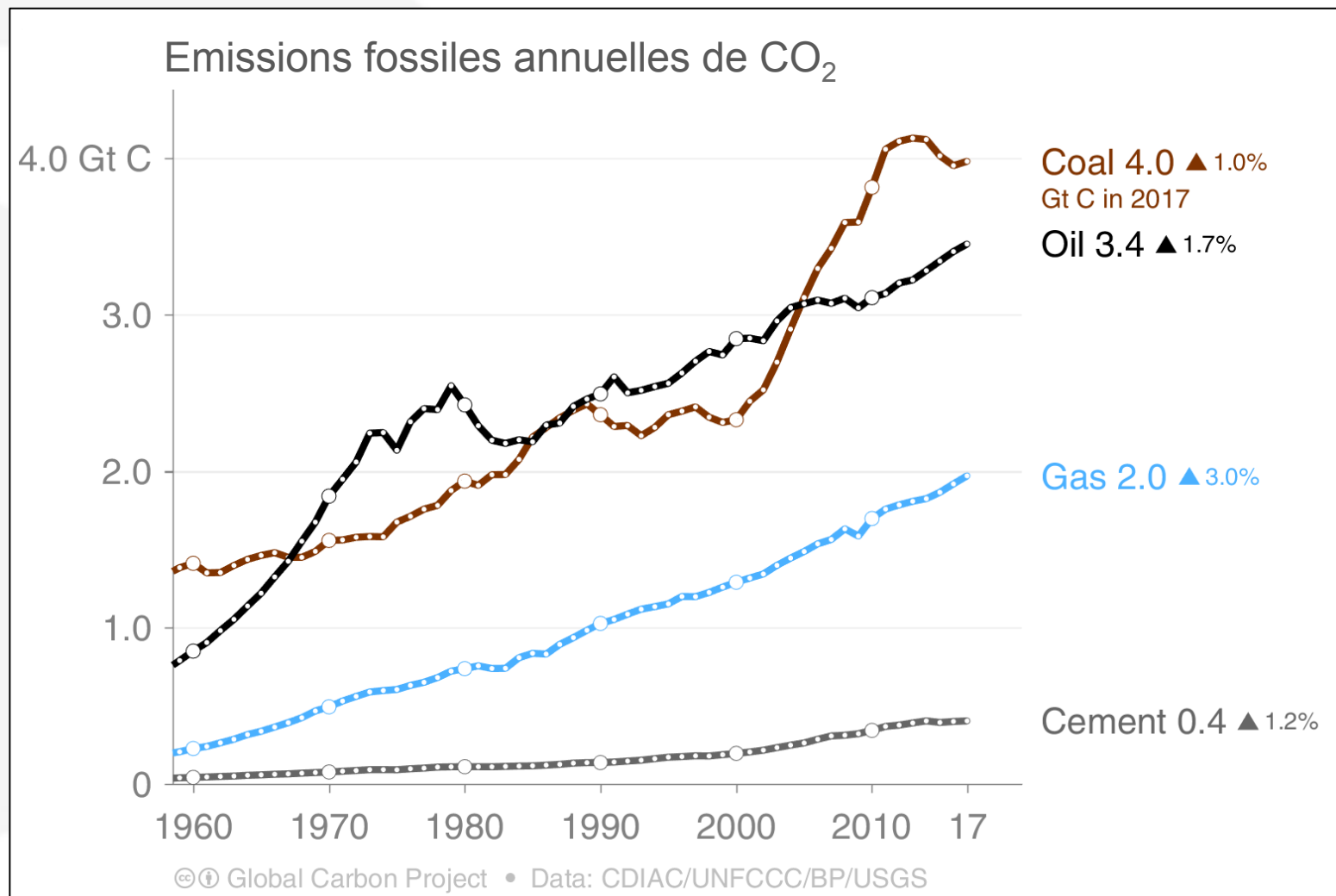
Changement d'utilisation des sols (déforestation incluant les feux de biomasse et de biofuels, conversions de terres)

$1.1 \pm 0.8 \text{ PgC/an}$

Emissions fossile de CO₂ par catégorie

Partage des émissions fossiles de CO₂ en 2017:

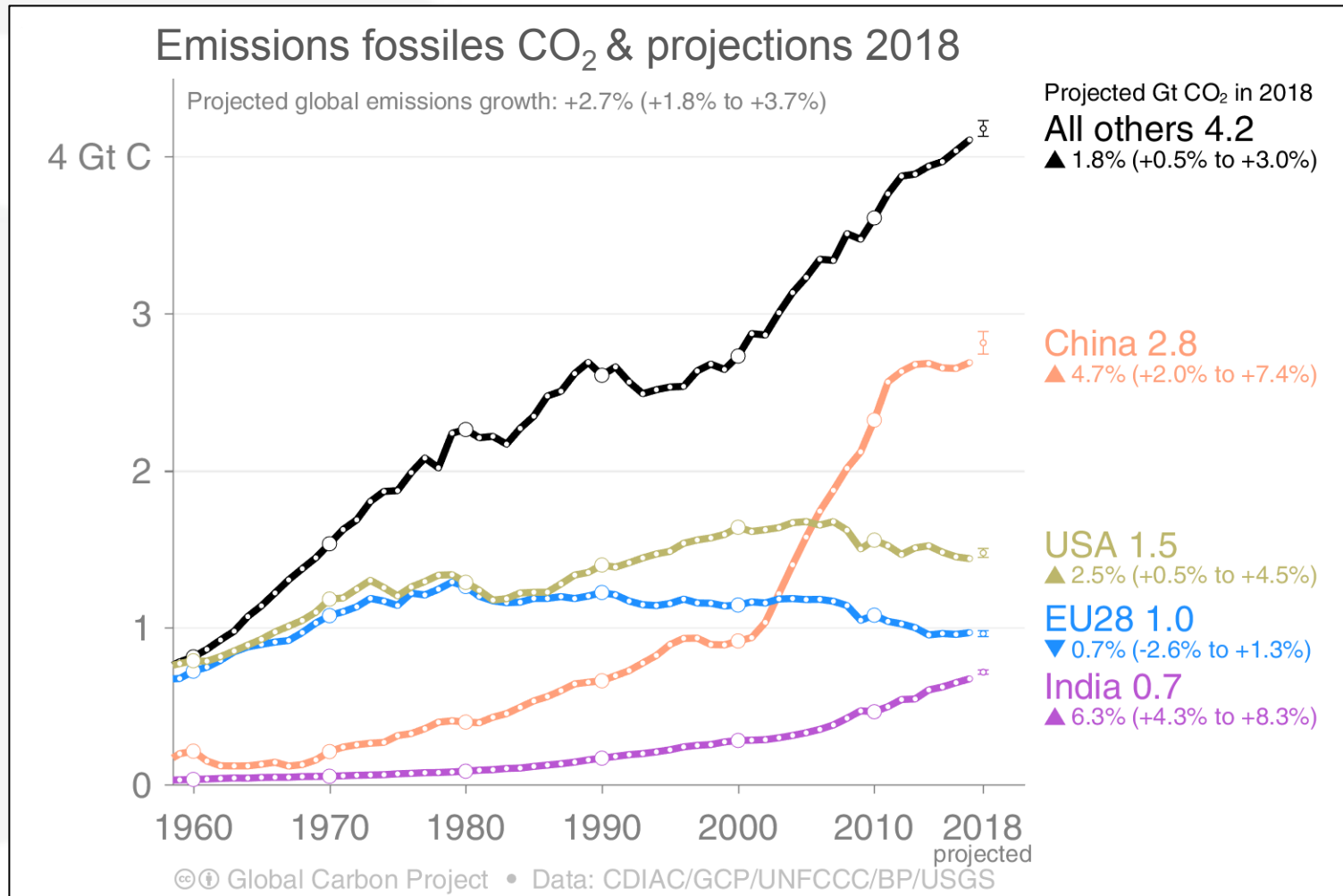
Charbon (40%), Pétrole (35%), Gaz (20%), Ciment (4%), Torchère (1%, not shown)



Source: [CDIAC](#); [Le Quéré et al 2018](#); [Global Carbon Budget 2018](#)

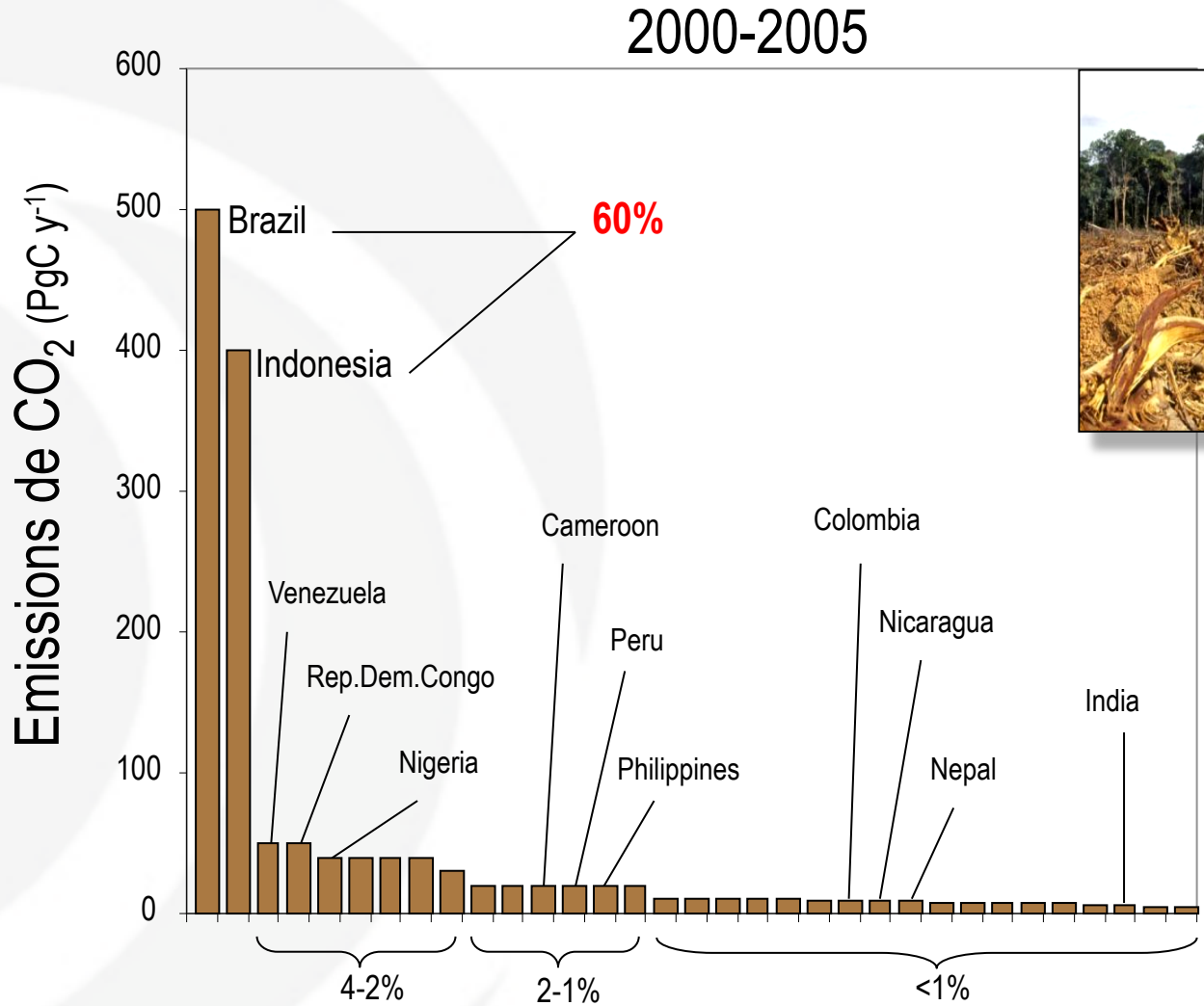
Emissions par "pays" & Projections pour 2018

Projection des émissions fossile de CO₂ : augmentation de 2.7% in 2018 [+1.8% - +3.7%]
La croissance globale repose sur les dynamiques de chaque pays.



Source: [CDIAC](#); [Jackson et al 2018](#); [Le Quéré et al 2018](#); [Global Carbon Budget 2018](#)

Emissions de CO₂ dues à la déforestation

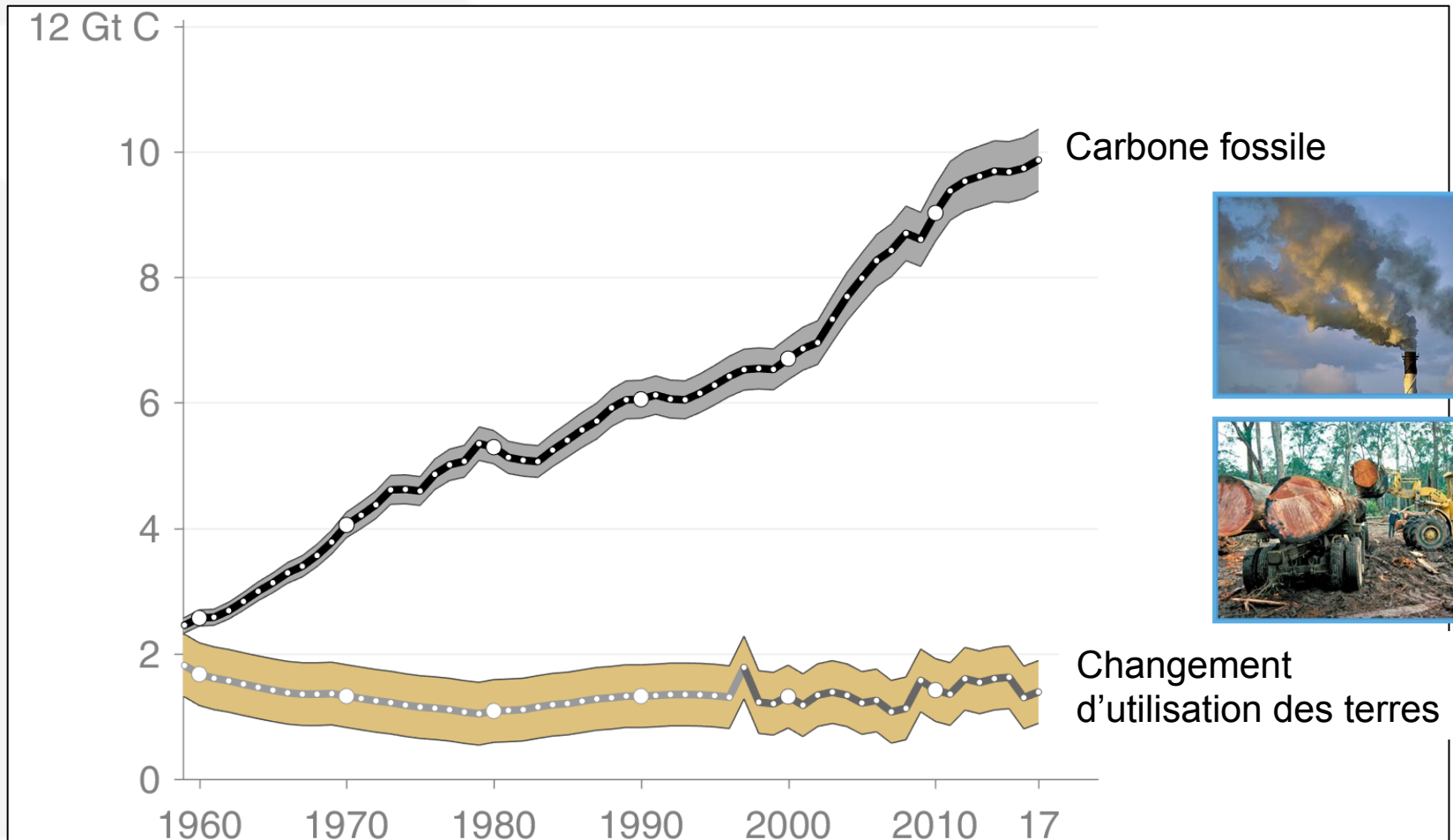


Source : Global Carbon Project

Emissions anthropiques globales

Émissions totales globales : 11.2 ± 0.8 GtC en 2017

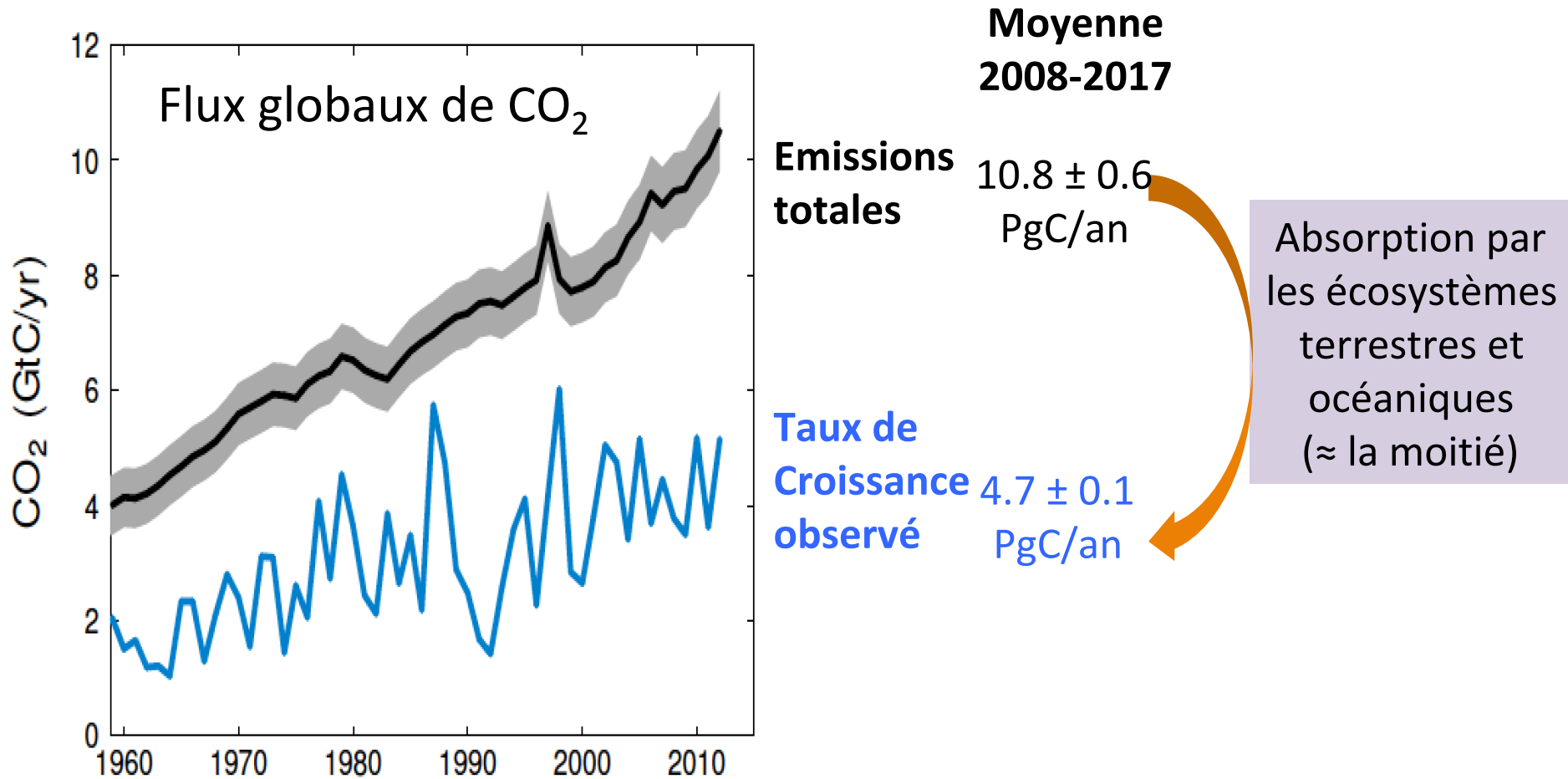
Contribution de utilisation des terres: 43% en 1960, 13% en moyenne sur 2008–2017



Estimation du flux liés à la déforestation selon 2 modèles à partir des surfaces brûlées depuis 1997.

Source: [CDIAC](#); [Le Quéré et al 2018](#); [Global Carbon Budget 2018](#)

Absorption partielle des émissions de CO₂



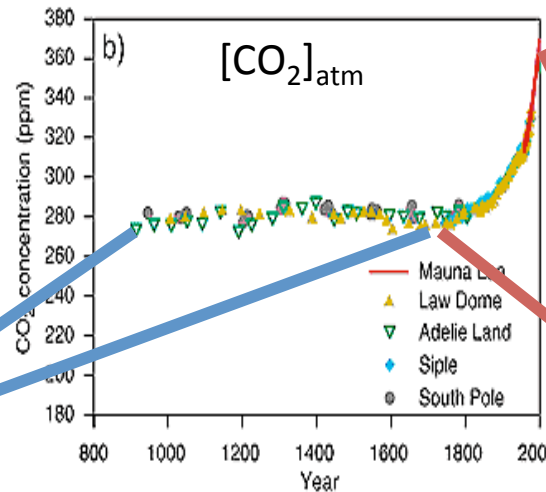
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Absorption par l'océan: mécanismes

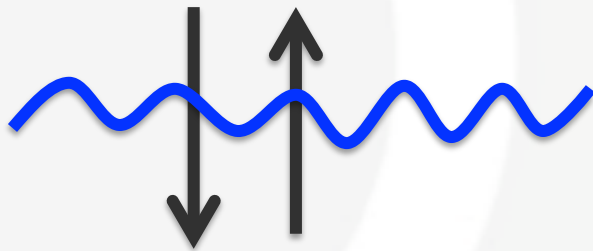
Etat pré-industriel



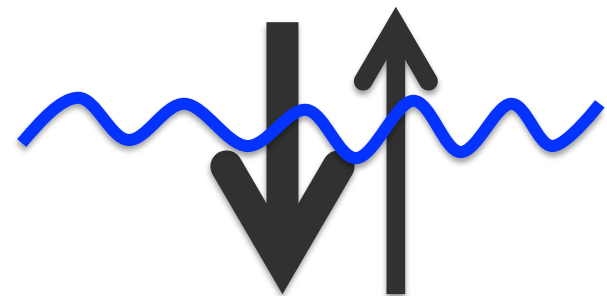
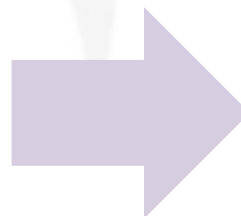
Perturbation anthropique

CO₂ Atmos.
Stable

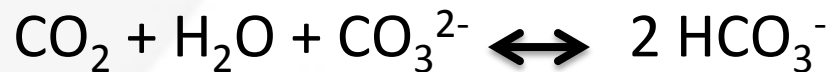
CO₂ atmos.
Croissant



CO₂ dissout
Stable



CO₂ dissout
Croissant

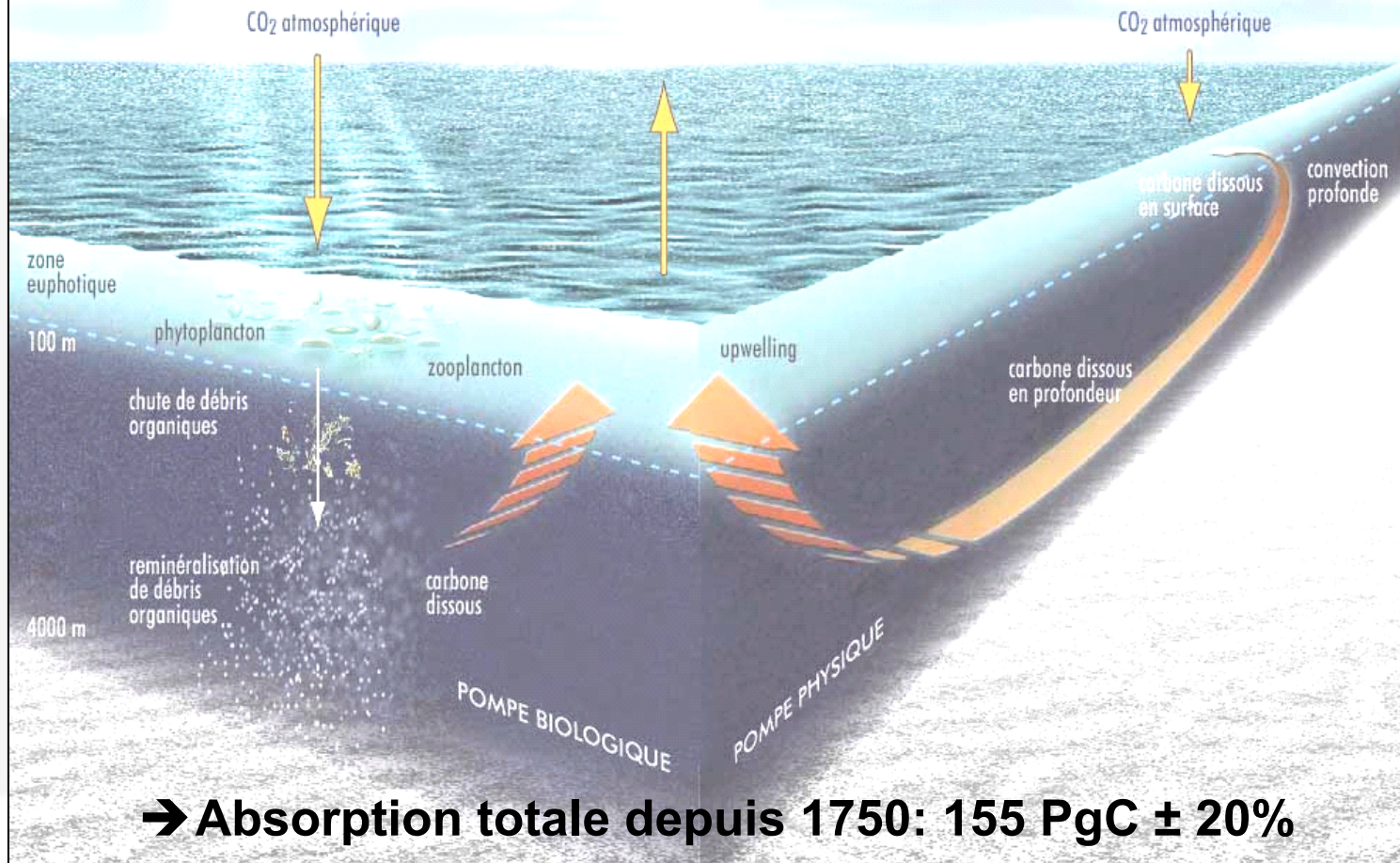


Couplage avec: "Pompe biologique" & "Mélange océanique"

Cycle du carbone océanique

Pompe biologique

Pompe physique





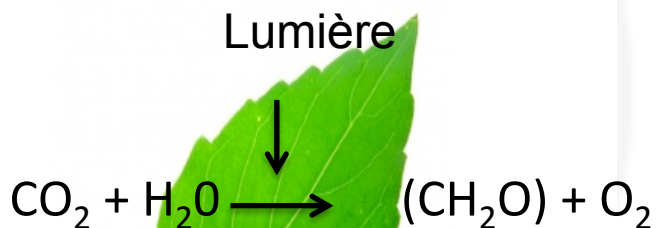
Absorption par la biosphère terrestre

➔ Effet fertilisant du CO₂ atmosphérique

Photosynthèse (principe)

CO₂ atmos : substrat limitant

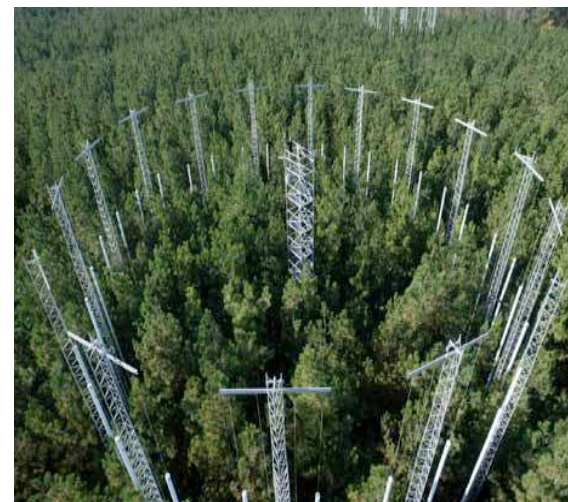
↗ [CO₂]_{atm} ➔ ↗ Assimilation C



Plante chlorophyllienne

Mise en évidence expérimentale

Expérience FACE (doublement CO₂)

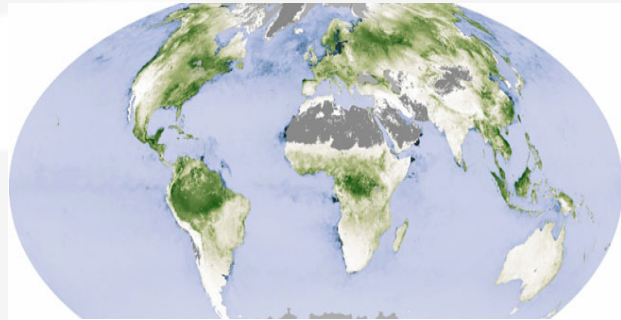


➔ Augmentation de la productivité
primaire nette ≈ 20-40%
(Norby et al. 2010)



Absorption par la biosphère terrestre

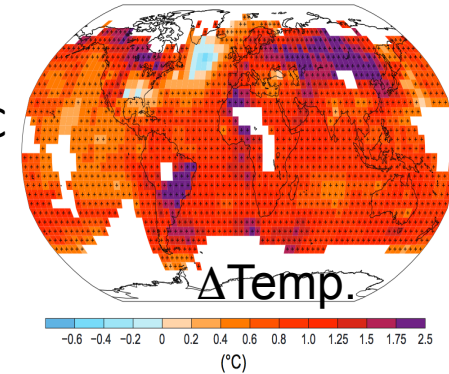
➤ Effet fertilisant du CO₂



➔ Lié à la productivité primaire

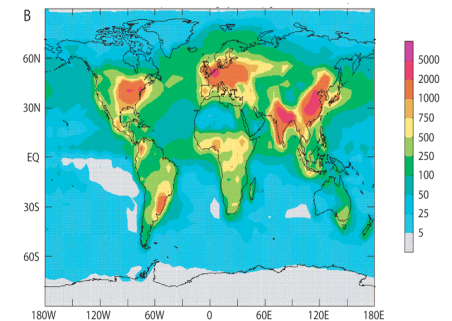
➤ Impact du changement climatique

- ✧ sur la photosynthèse
- ✧ sur la dégradation du C organique des sols



➤ Disponibilité en nutriments (dépôts d'azote)

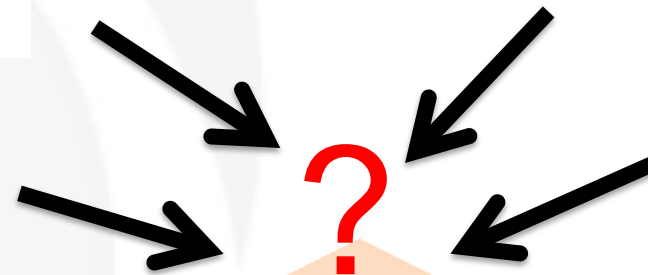
Dépôt de N inorganique (mg m⁻² an⁻¹)



➤ Gestion des écosystèmes



Extensif vs Intensif



depuis 1750: 150 PgC ± 60%
Variations temporelles & spatiales du puits incertaines
➔ Enjeux de recherche

Devenir des émissions anthropiques de CO₂ (2008–2017)

Sources = Puits



9.4 GtC/yr
87%



13%
1,4 GtC/yr



4.7 GtC/yr
44%



29%
3.2 GtC/yr



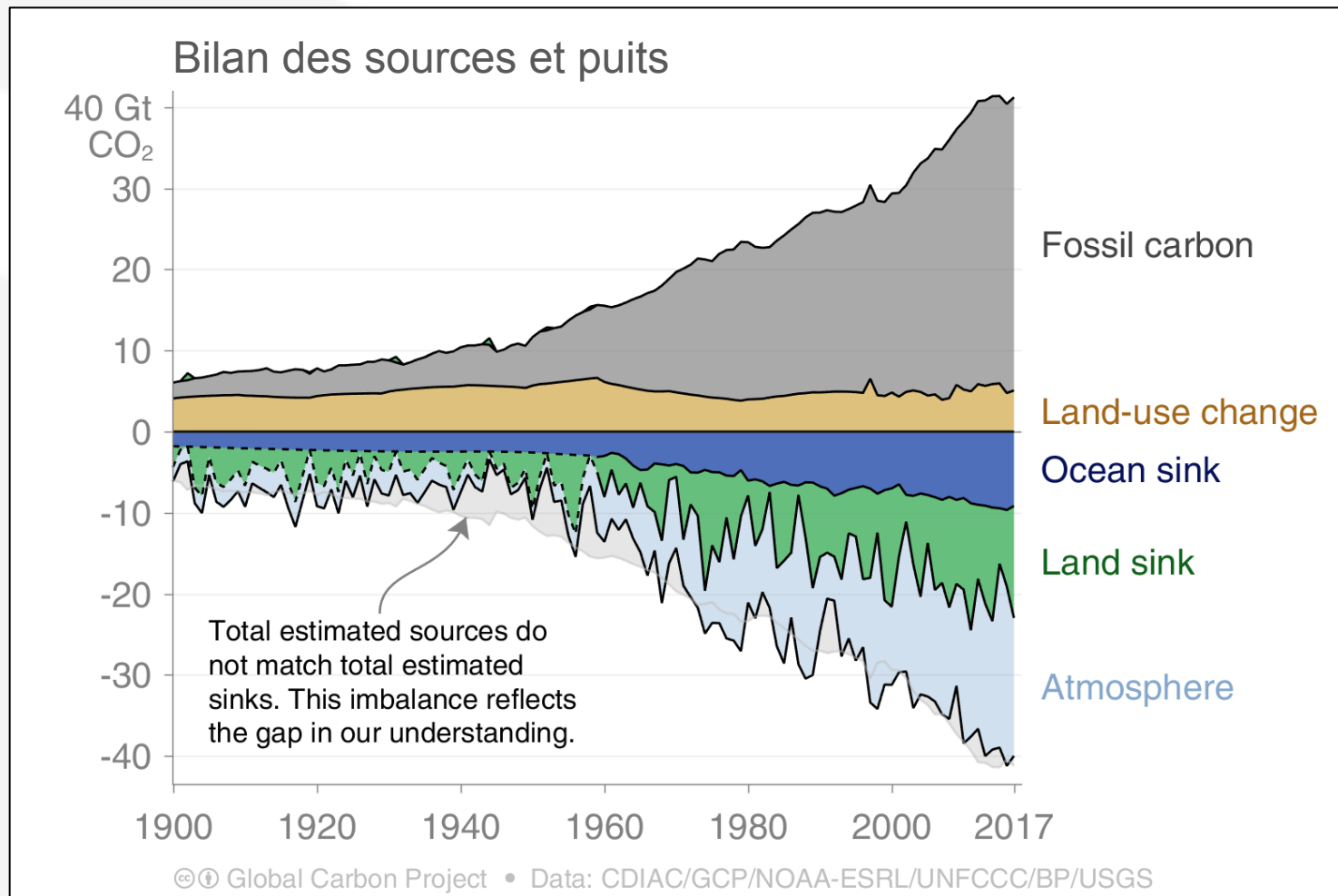
22%
2.4 GtC/yr

Déséquilibre du budget:
(différence entre les sources et puits estimés)

5%
0.5 GtC/yr

Bilan global du CO₂

Depuis 1750, les activités humaines ont émis 555 ± 85 PgC (fossil & Land use)

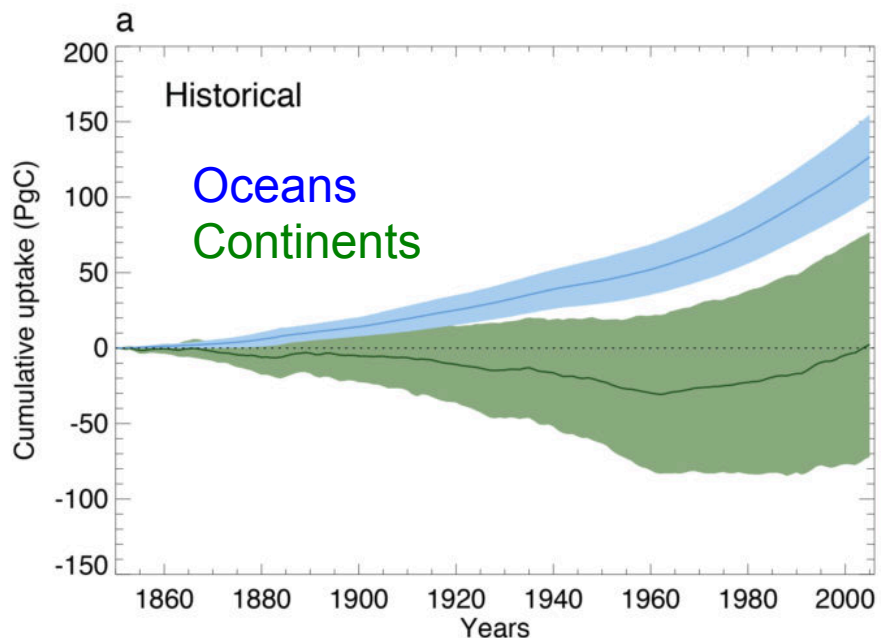


Le terme “déséquilibre” entre émissions et puits totaux révèle notre manque de compréhension!

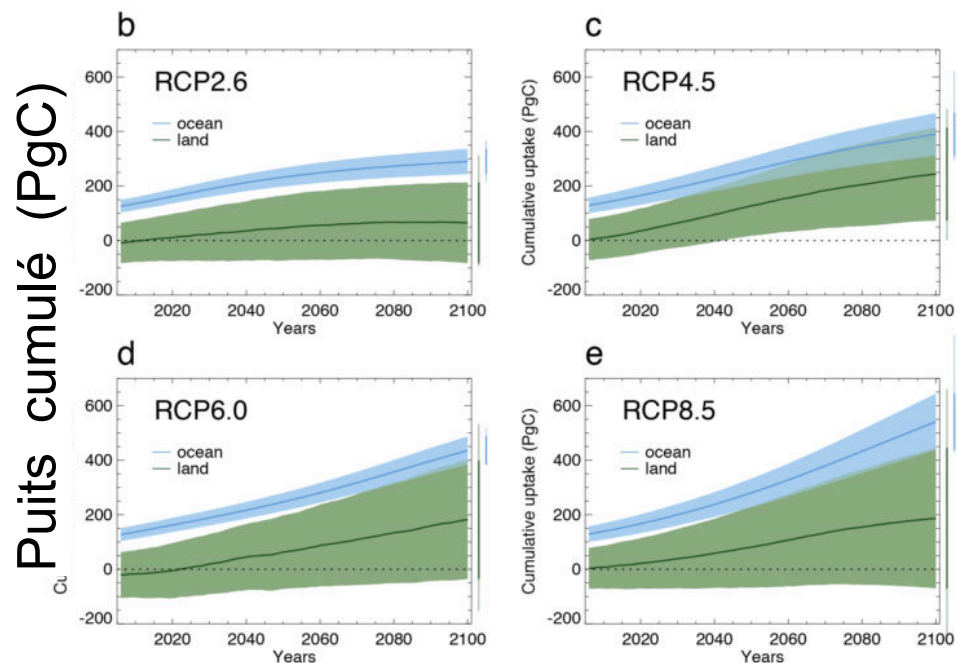
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Simulation du stockage futur de carbone par les océans et les continents: modèles CMIP5

Historique



Futur: trajectoires représentatives de concentration en GhG (RCP)



Très forte incertitude associée aux projections du stockage de C sur les continents

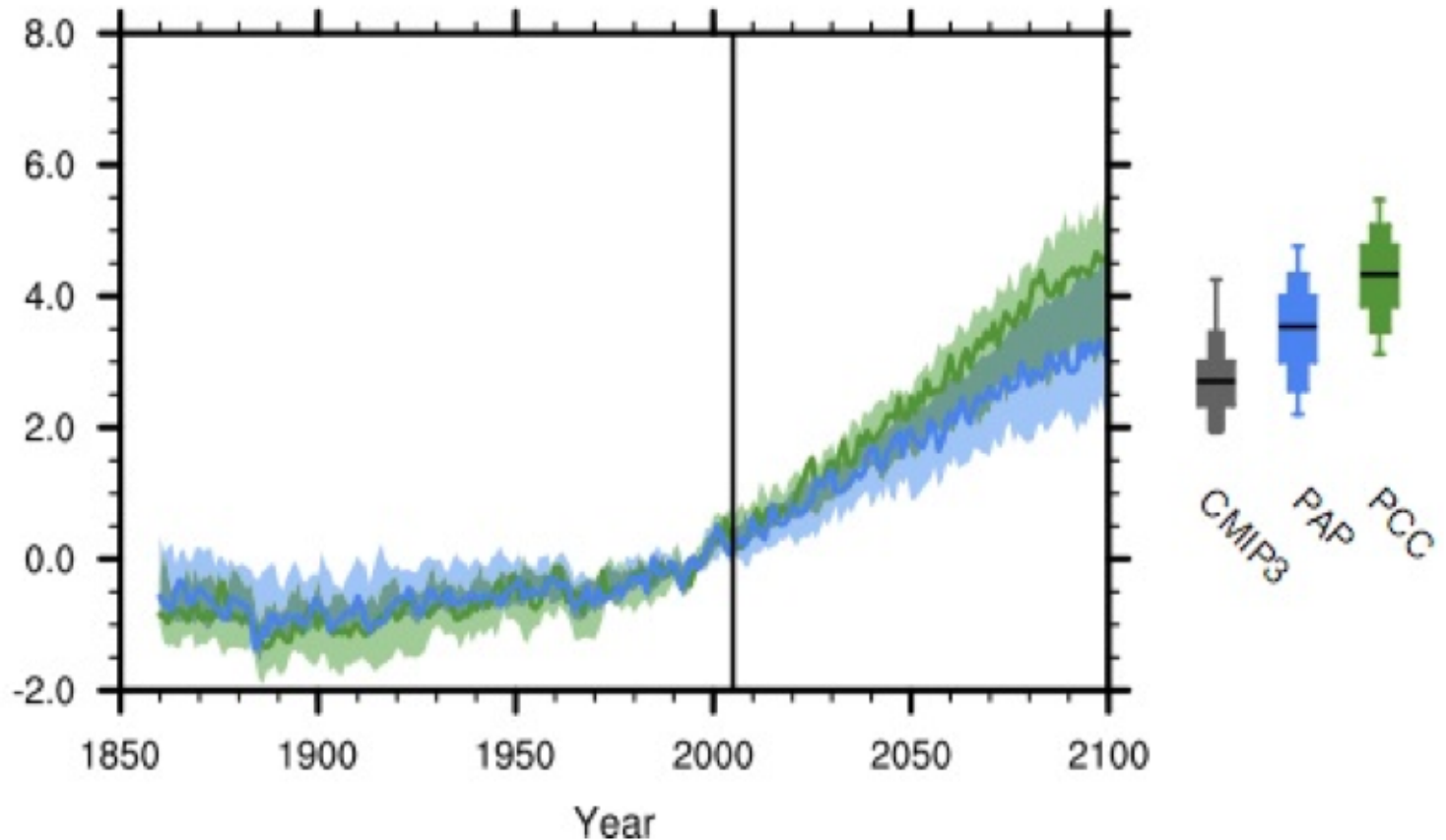
Incertitudes: paramètres Carbone vs Physique

Analyse de sensibilité avec 1 modèle (HadCM3 – SRES-A1B) variant:

Paramètres de la physique atmosphérique

Paramètres du cycle du carbone terrestre

Changement
de la
Température
moyenne
globale
(°C)

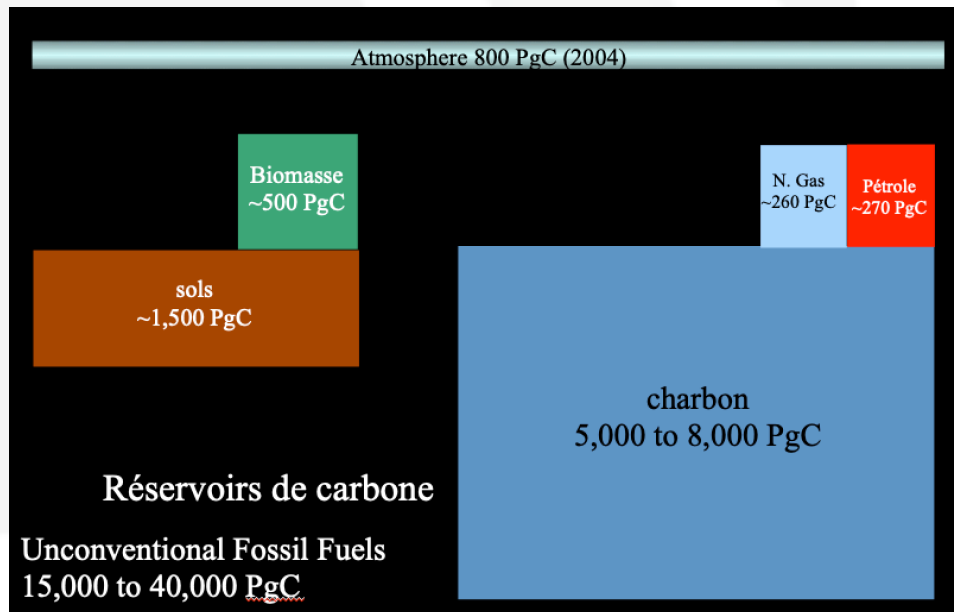


Merci pour votre attention !

Quelques enjeux...

Comment ne pas utiliser tout le C fossile restant ?

Besoin de prendre en compte tous les services écosystémiques !





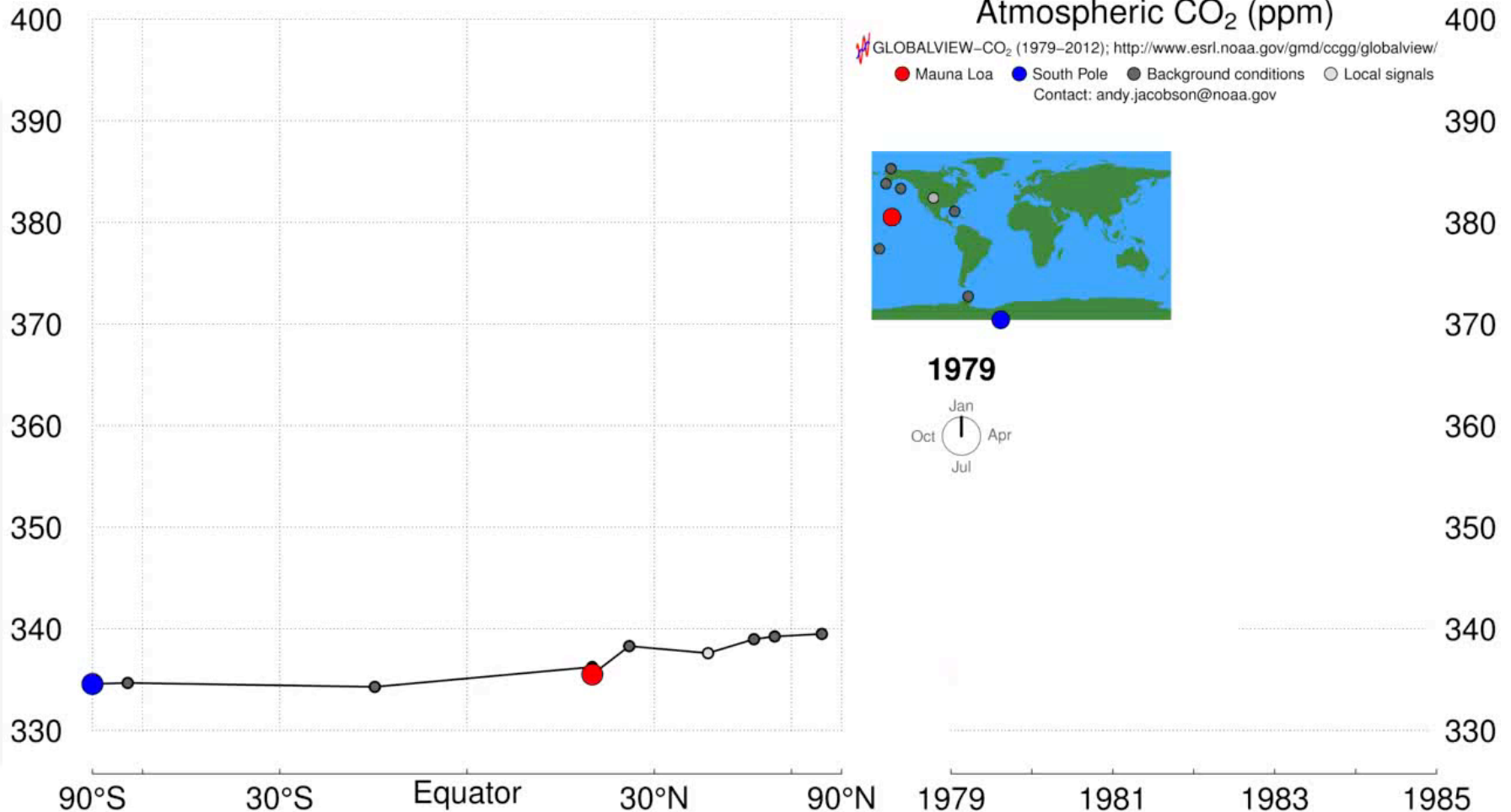
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Le cycle du carbone vu de l'atmosphère

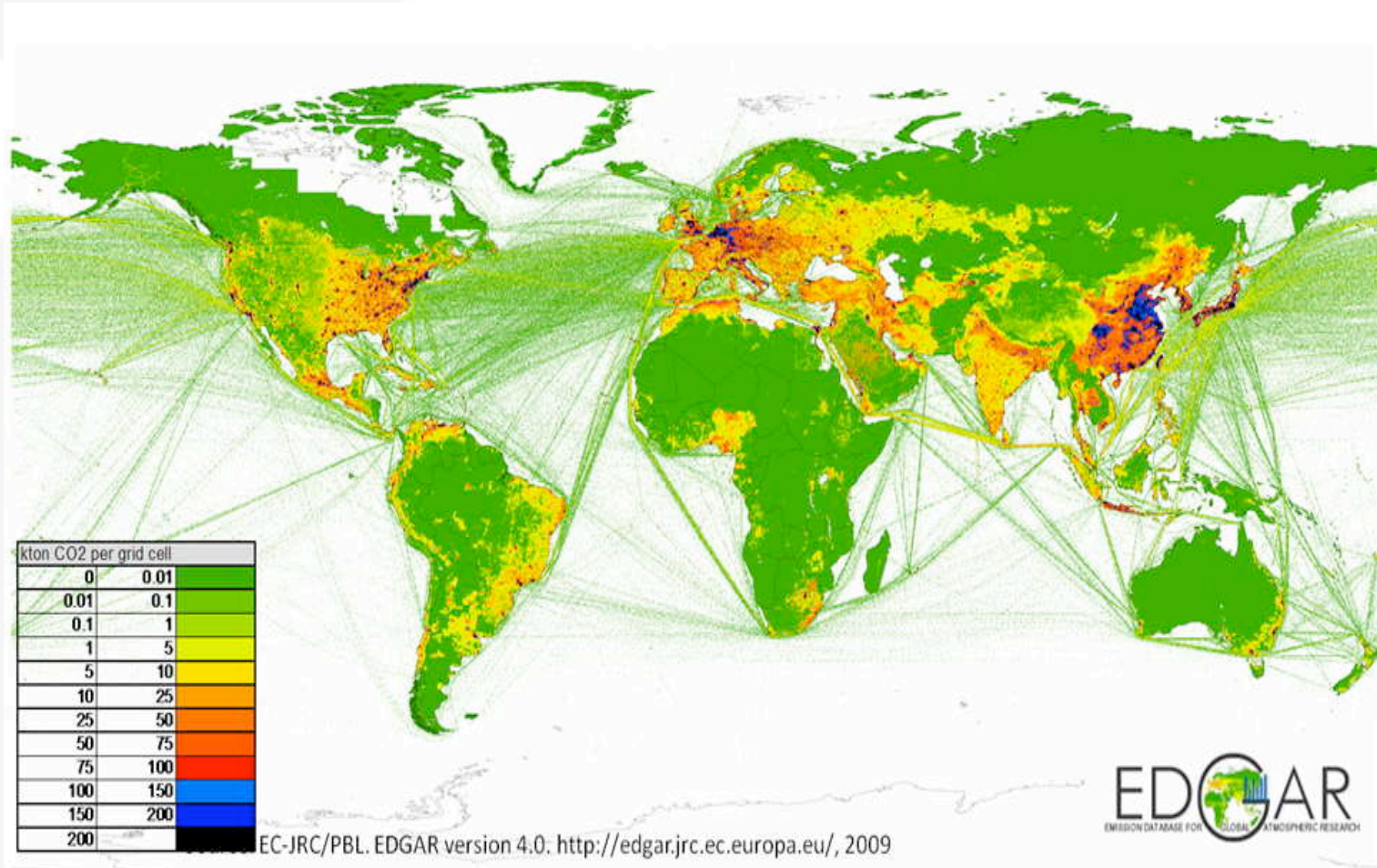
The global carbon budget 1959–2011

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1 PPM \approx 2.12 Gt de C
 (1 Gigatone (Gt) = 1×10^{15} g
 = 1 Petagram (Pg))

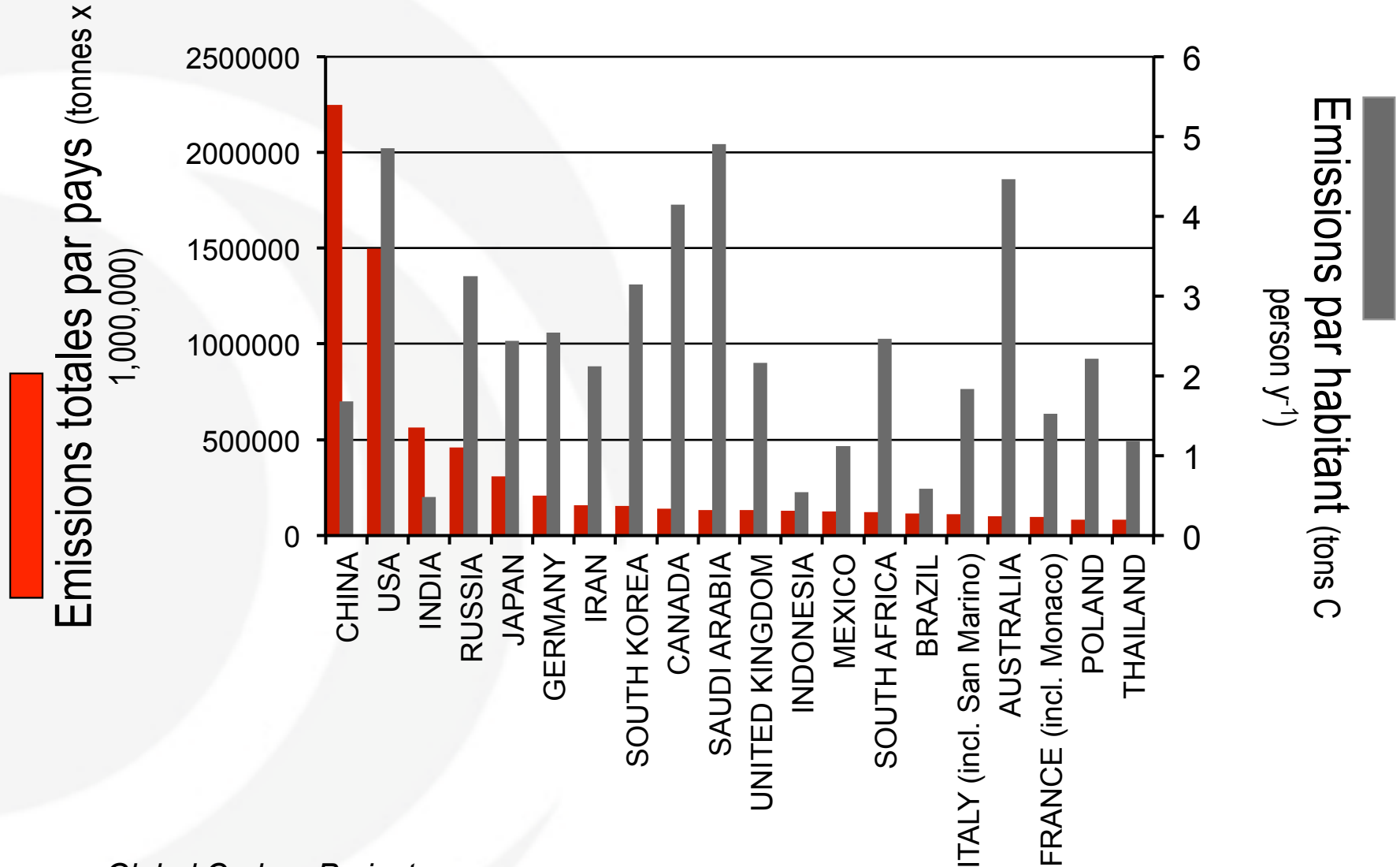


Carte et évolution des émissions de CO₂



Source : EDGAR4.0

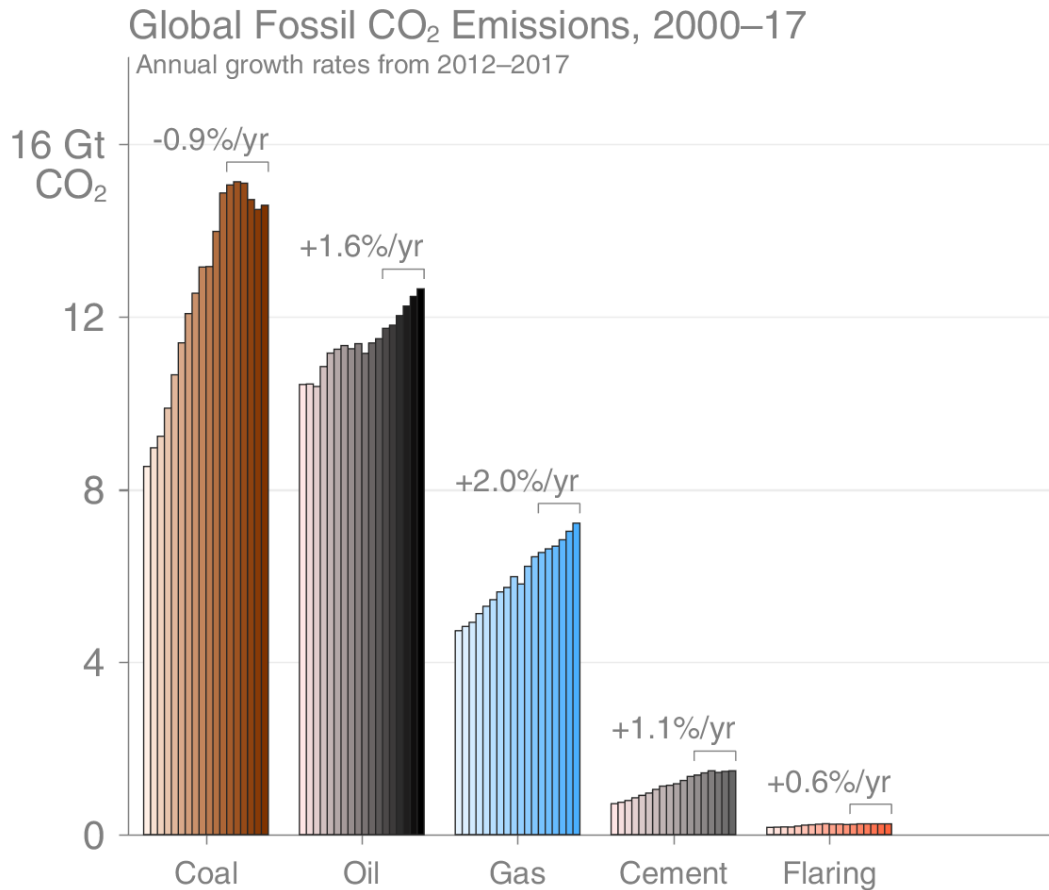
Emissions de CO₂ fossile par pays et par habitant



Source : Global Carbon Project

Fossil CO₂ Emissions by source

Emissions by category from 2000 to 2017, with growth rates indicated for the more recent period of 2012 to 2017

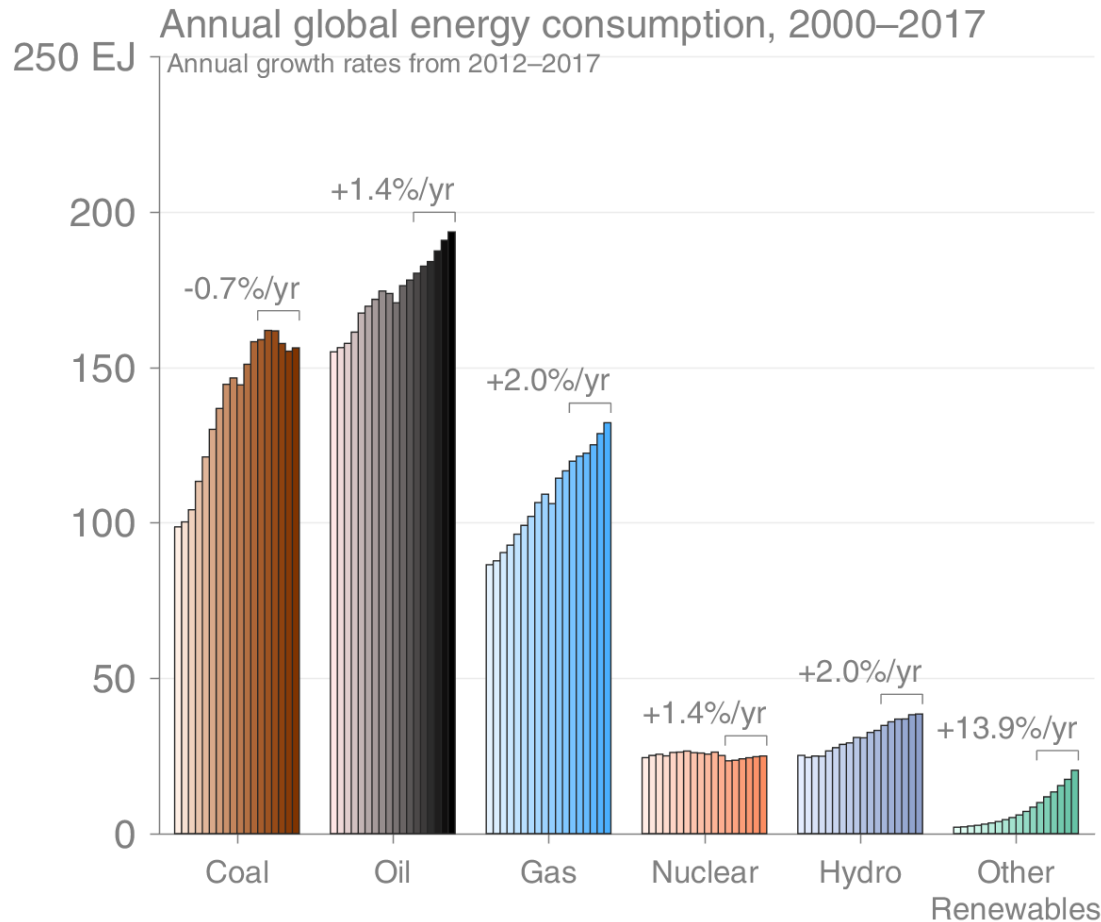


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Energy use by source

Energy consumption by fuel source from 2000 to 2017, with growth rates indicated for the more recent period of 2012 to 2017

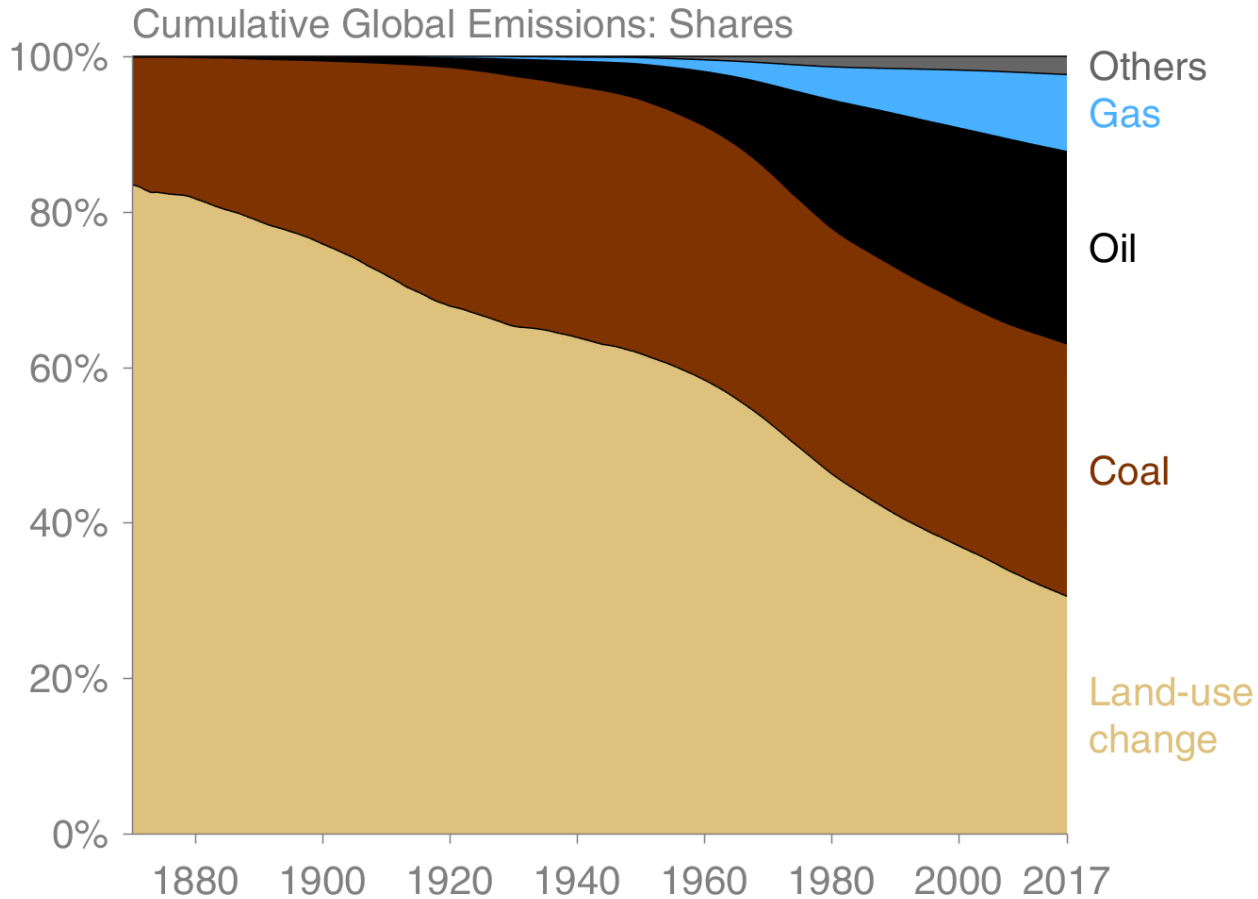


This figure shows primary energy, using the BP substitution method (non-fossil sources are scaled up by an assumed fossil efficiency of 0.38)

Source: [BP 2018](#); [Jackson et al 2018](#); [Global Carbon Budget 2018](#)

Historical cumulative emissions by source

Land-use change represents about 31% of cumulative emissions over 1870–2017, coal 32%, oil 25%, gas 10%, and others 2%



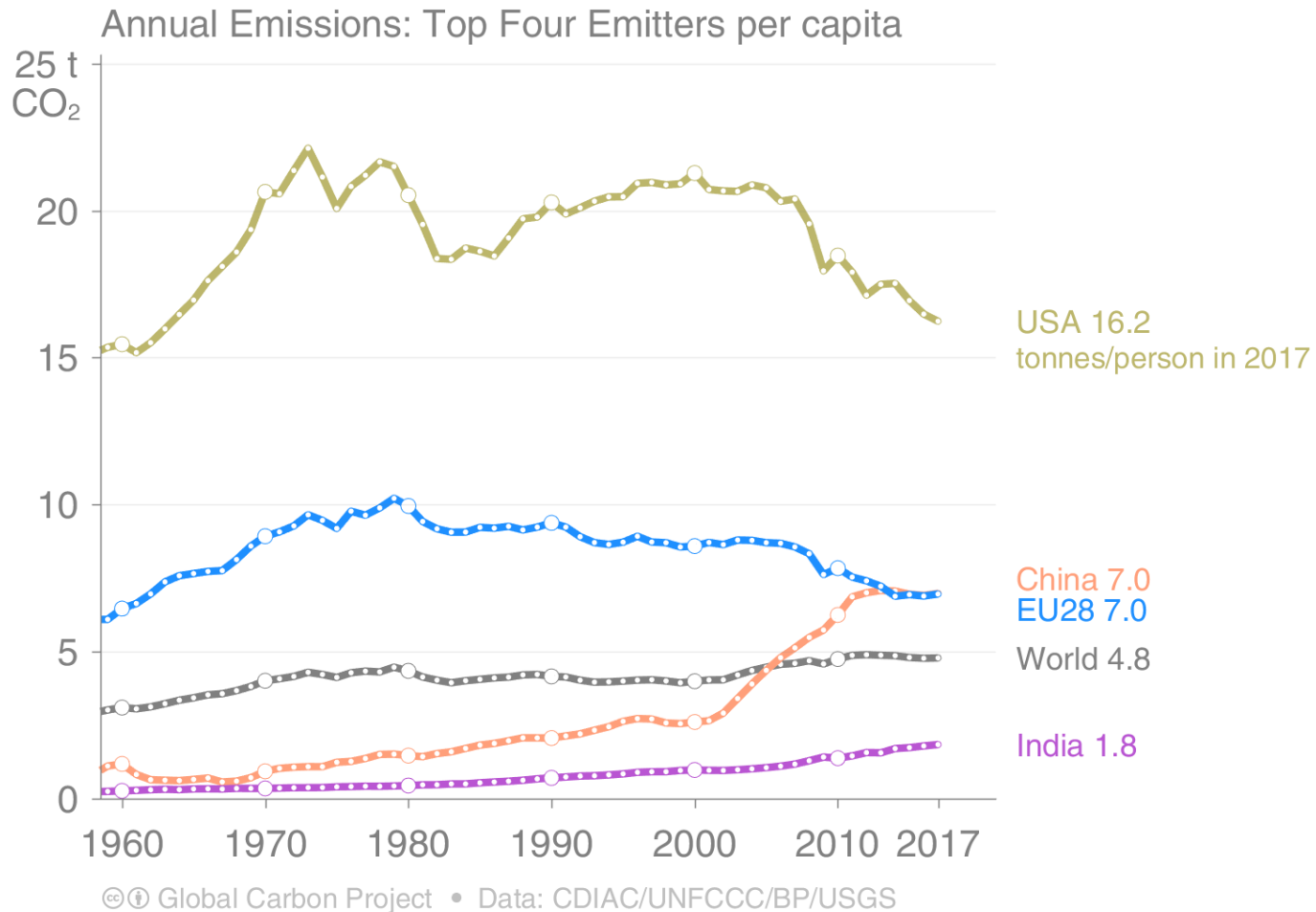
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Others: Emissions from cement production and gas flaring

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[Global Carbon Budget 2018](#)

Top emitters: Fossil CO₂ Emissions per capita

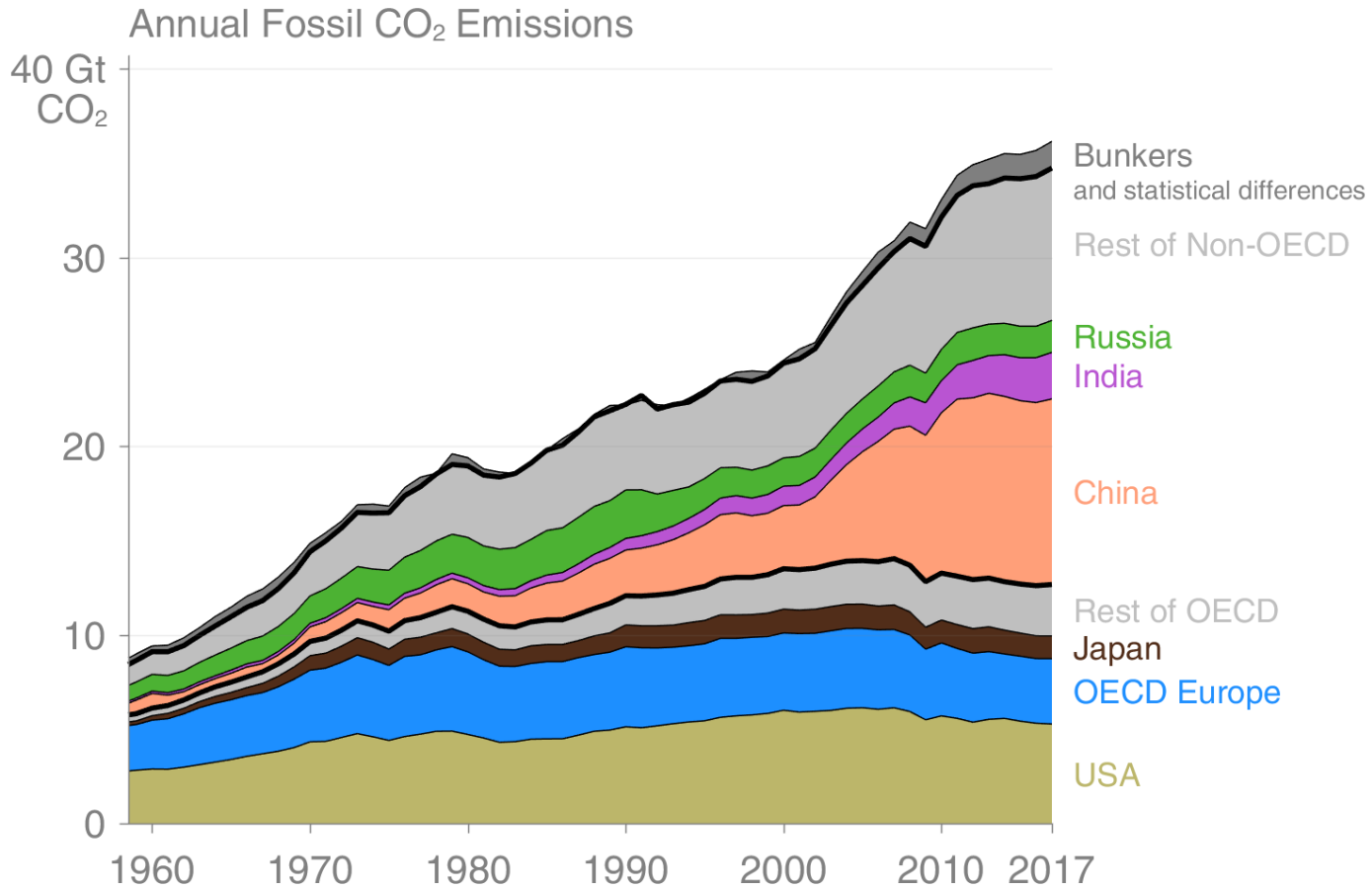
Countries have a broad range of per capita emissions reflecting their national circumstances



Source: [CDIAC](#); [Le Quéré et al 2018](#); [Global Carbon Budget 2018](#)

Breakdown of global fossil CO₂ emissions by country

Emissions in OECD countries have increased by 5% since 1990, while those in non-OECD countries have more than doubled



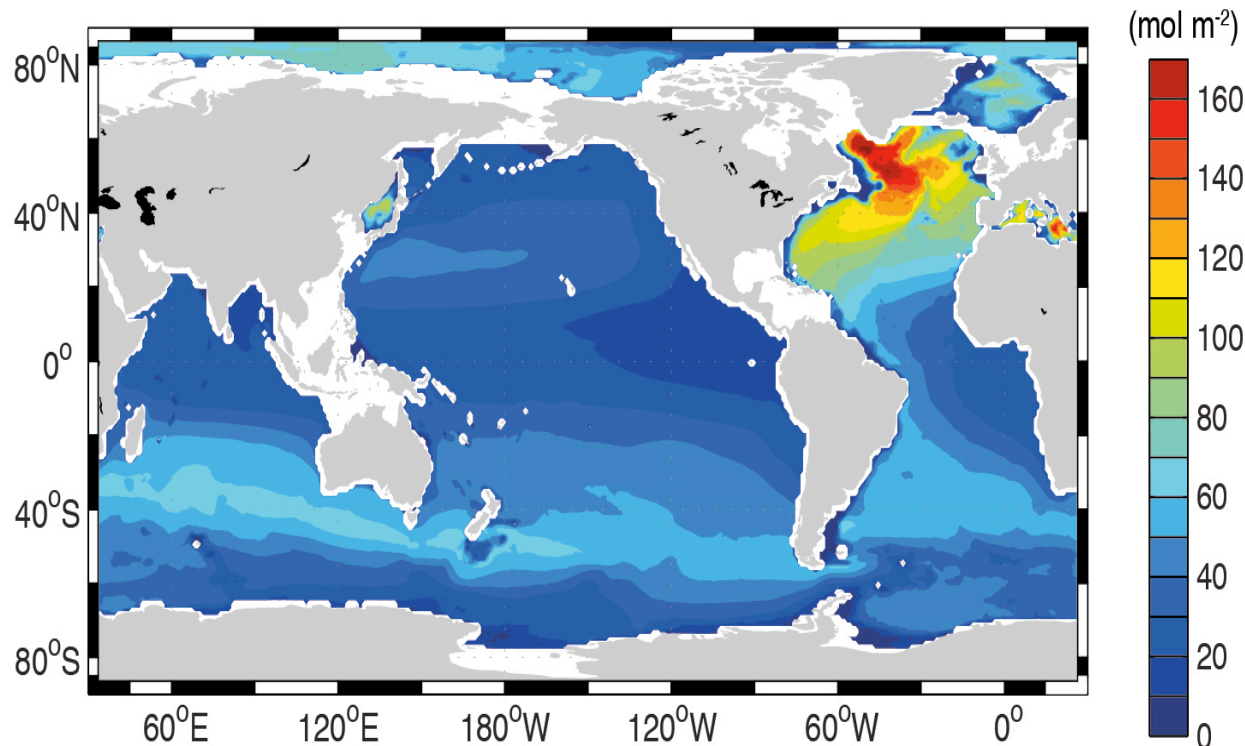
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Absorption par l'océan: distribution spatiale

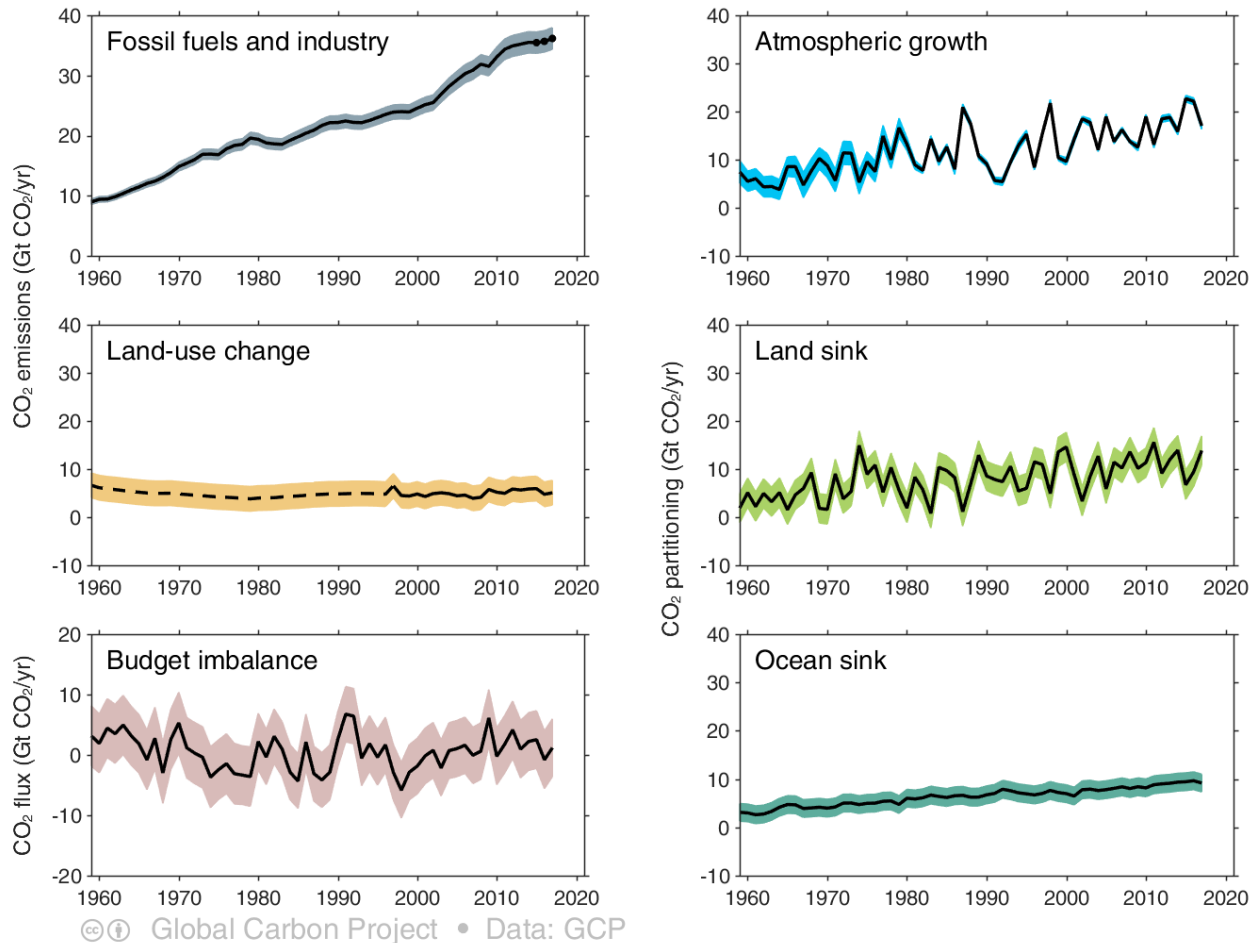
Absorption totale du CO₂ anthropique intégrée verticalement (2010)



- Absorption totale depuis 1750:
155 PgC ± 20%
- Importance des zones de plongée d'eau profonde (i.e. Atlantique nord)
- Augmentation du puits entre années 1990 et 2010

Changes in the budget over time

The sinks have continued to grow with increasing emissions, but climate change will affect carbon cycle processes in a way that will exacerbate the increase of CO₂ in the atmosphere



The budget imbalance is the total emissions minus the estimated growth in the atmosphere, land and ocean.

It reflects the limits of our understanding of the carbon cycle.

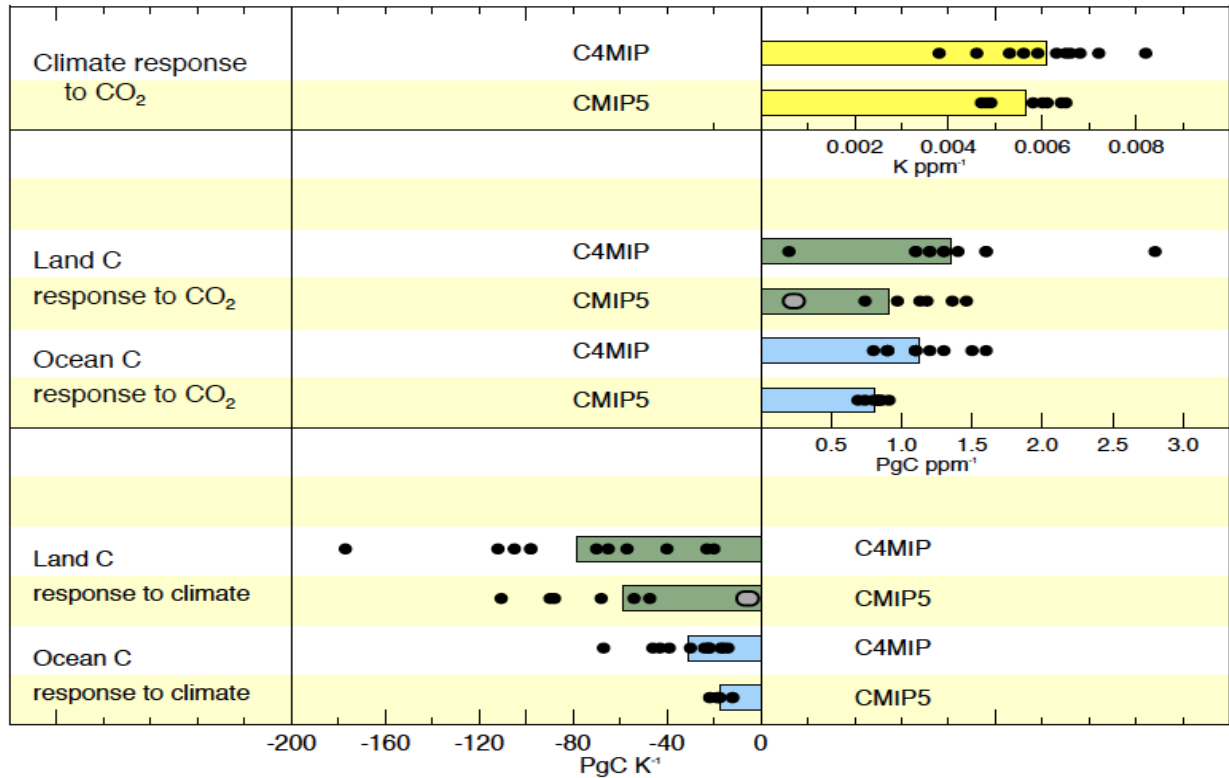
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Positive carbon climate feedbacks confirmed in AR5

Climate response to CO₂ (K / ppm)

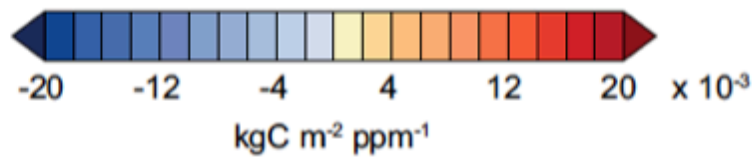
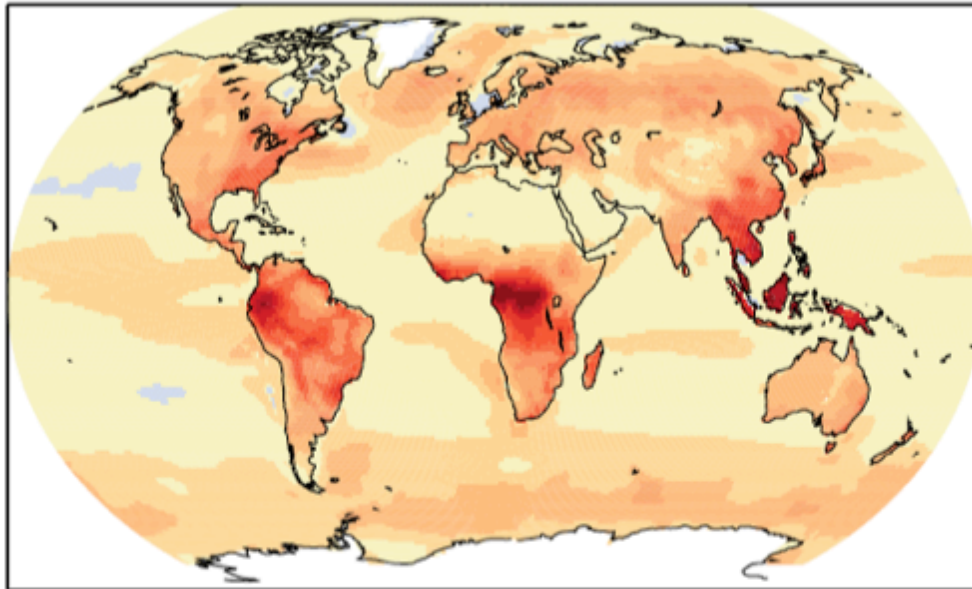
Sinks response to CO₂ (PgC / ppm)

Sinks response to climate (PgC / K)



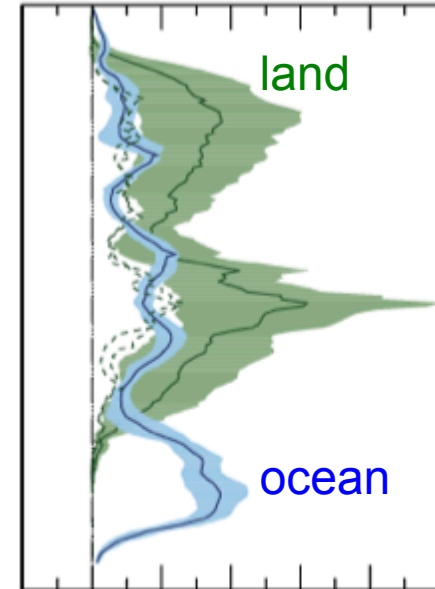
Climate change will affect carbon cycle processes in a way that will exacerbate the increase of CO₂ in the atmosphere (*high confidence*)

Response to atmospheric CO₂ only



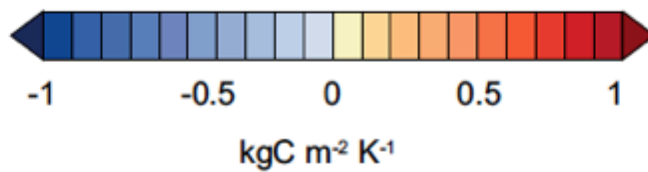
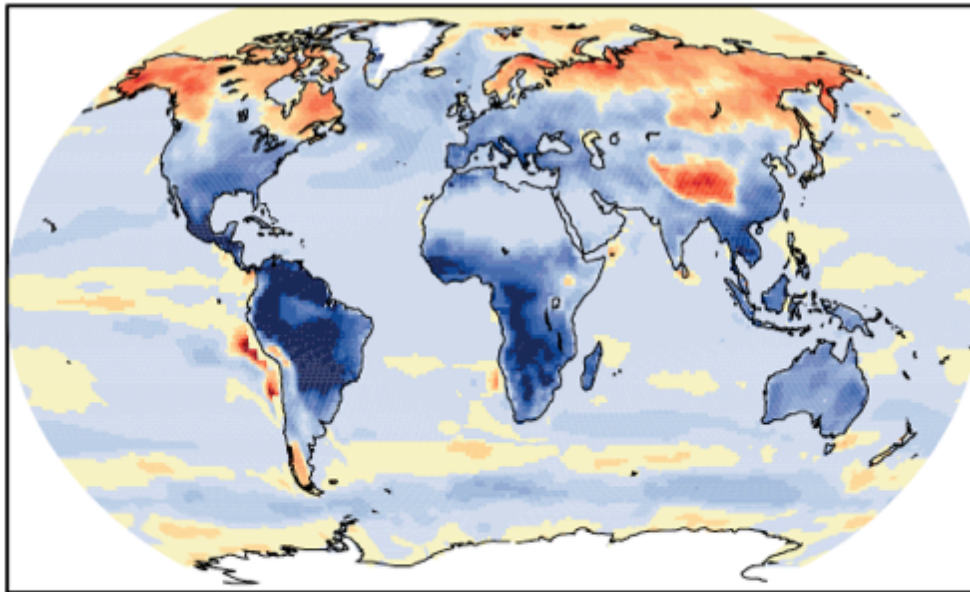
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sink

increasing
sink



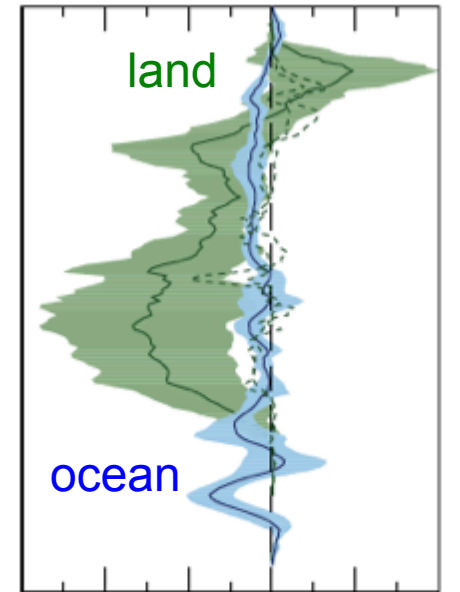
0 0.10 0.20
 10^8 kgC m⁻¹ ppm⁻¹

Response to climate change only



decreasing
sink

increasing
sink



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10⁶ kgC m⁻¹ K⁻¹

models do not include the
release of permafrost C

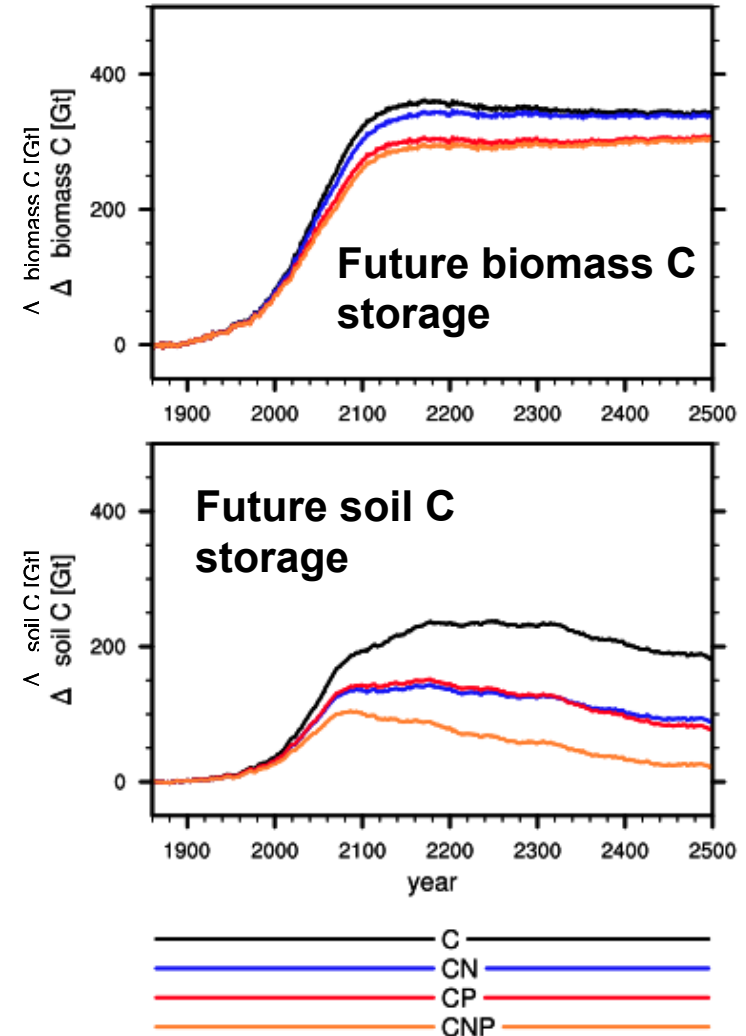
Future of the assessment : Nutrient limitation on terrestrial C storage



Only 1-2 Earth System Models included N-limitations in CMIP5 and found a smaller sink response to CO₂ and climate

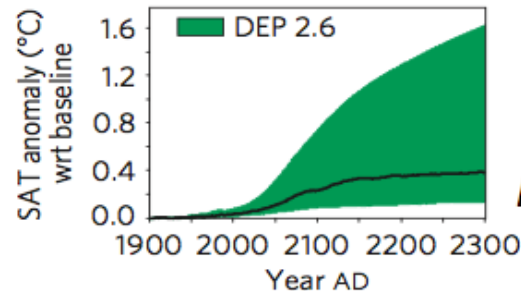
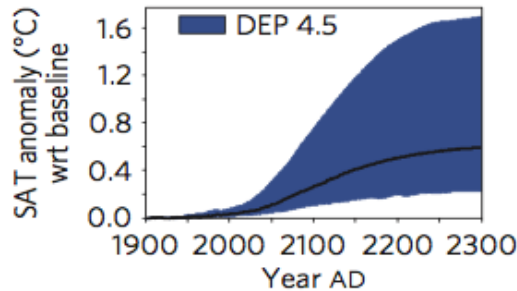
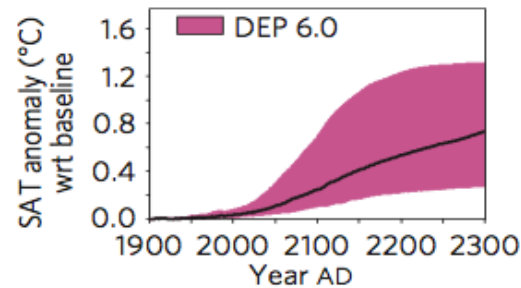
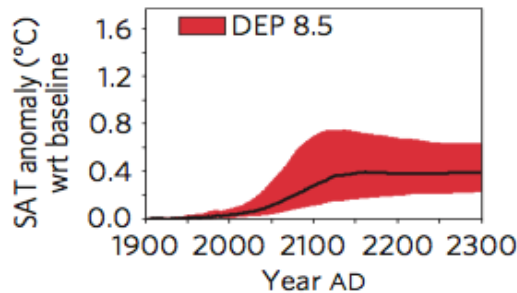
Offline model
with **N** & **P**
limitations

Goll et al. 2012



Future of the assessment : 'cold' carbon processes, permafrost C

**1670 Pg C
In permafrost**



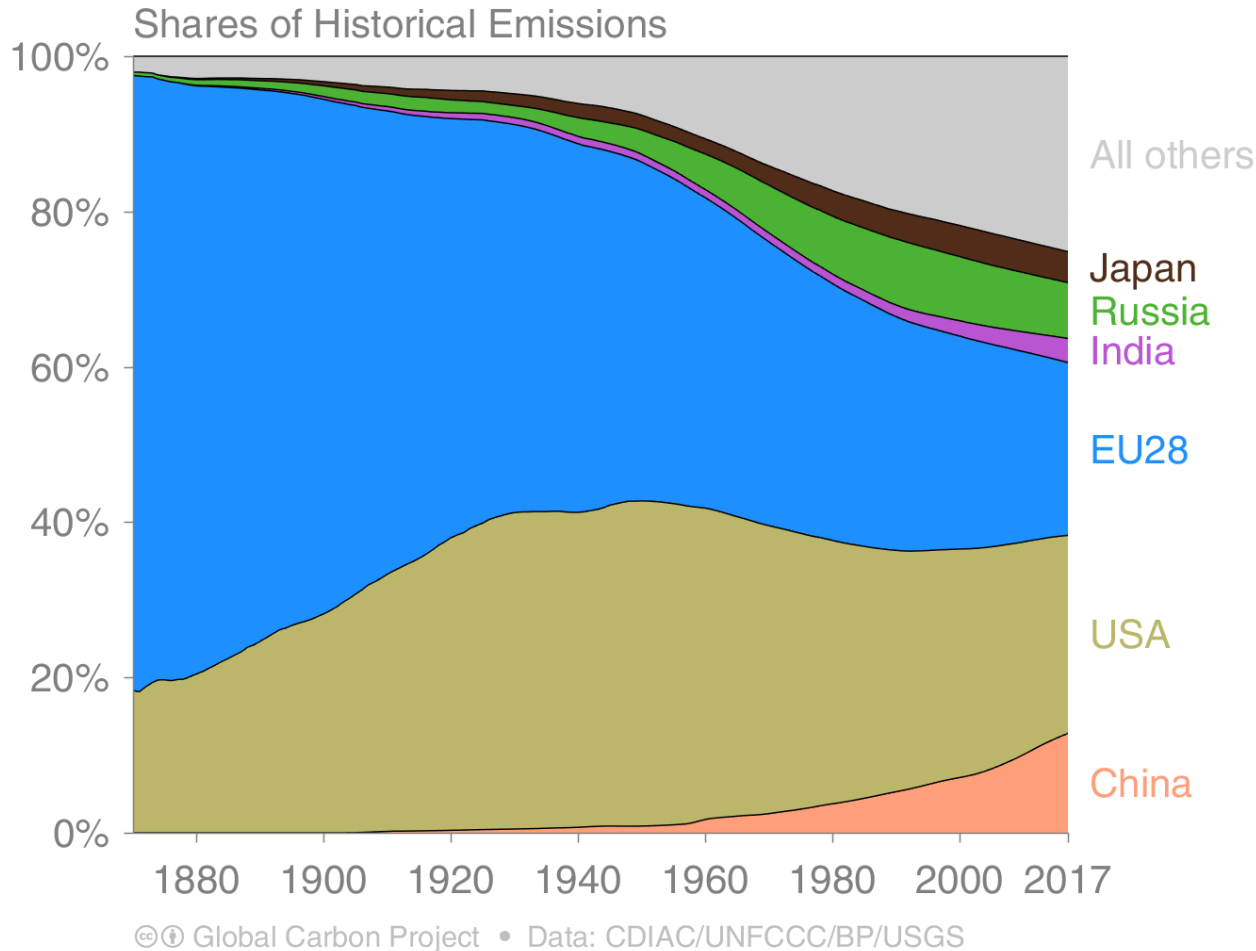
Mc Dougall et al. 2013

**An Earth System Model with permafrost carbon processes was driven by RCP emissions
Result: higher projected warming (0.13 to 1.7°C) and CO₂ release (70 to 500 PgC)**

Key « missing » processes : soil ice, soil C vertical distribution, soil C pools decomposition rates [C:N], fire & thermokarst

Historical cumulative fossil CO₂ emissions by country

Cumulative fossil CO₂ emissions were distributed (1870–2017):
USA 25%, EU28 22%, China 13%, Russia 7%, Japan 4% and India 3%



Cumulative emissions (1990–2017) were distributed China 20%, USA 20%, EU28 14%, Russia 6%, India 5%, Japan 4%
'All others' includes all other countries along with bunker fuels and statistical differences

Source: [CDIAC](#); [Le Quéré et al 2018](#); [Global Carbon Budget 2018](#)