

Area covered (million km <sup>2</sup> )	RETRO	CNTRL	Difference
Permanent deserts			
Global	31.2	41.8	-10.6
NH	21.0	34.1	-13.1
SH	10.2	7.7	+2.5
Woody vegetation			
Global	46.3	41.3	+5.0
NH	33.4	25.0	+8.4
SH	12.9	16.3	-3.4
Herbaceous vegetation			
Global	50.0	44.4	+5.6
NH	41.1	36.4	+4.7
SH	9.0	8.0	+1.0