



# Measuring number of people affected and economic loss due to agricultural droughts

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## Examples from Ukraine and South Africa

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# Background and Motivation



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## Agricultural drought

- 23% of loss and damage due to disasters attributed to agricultural sector (FAO, 2017)
  - Drought: 84% of loss and damage due to drought hits agriculture (FAO, 2017)
- Agriculture: highly vulnerable to disasters; but key economic factor and basis for livelihoods

## Sendai Framework

- Shift from disaster management to disaster RISK management
  - Monitoring progress in disaster risk reduction
- Need for science-based information and knowledge
- Need to overcome the lack of data readiness and calculate reference base (UNISDR, 2017)



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FAO (2017): The impact of disasters on agriculture. Addressing the information gap.

UNISDR (2017): Sendai Framework Data Readiness Review 2017. Global Summary Report.

# EvIDENz project



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EvIDENz = Earth Observation based information products for drought risk reduction on the national level

## Key objectives of EvIDENz

- 1.) Assessment of selected targets of the Sendai Framework
- 2.) Understanding drought risk

## Case study examples

### South Africa



### Ukraine



Federal Ministry  
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# EvIDENz approach

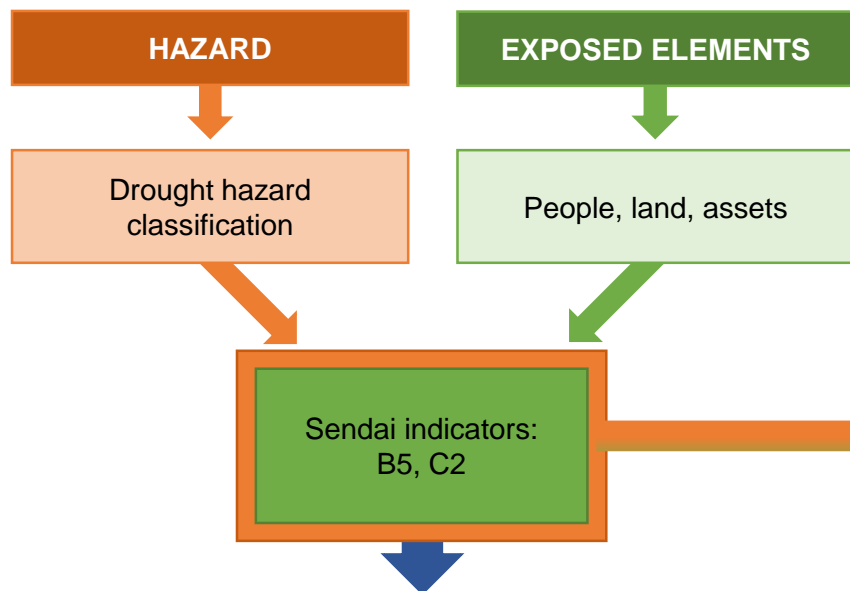


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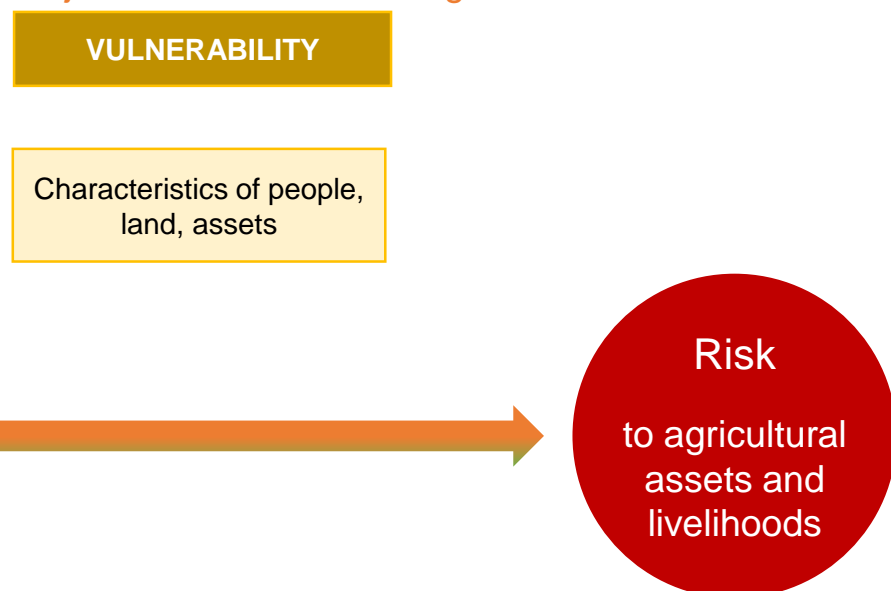
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## Objective I: Assessment of Sendai targets



## Objective II: Understanding risk



Relying on open, accessible  
data sets that are  
representative for the  
national level!

# Assessment of Sendai Targets



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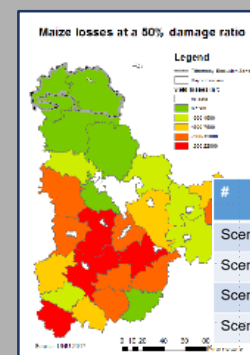
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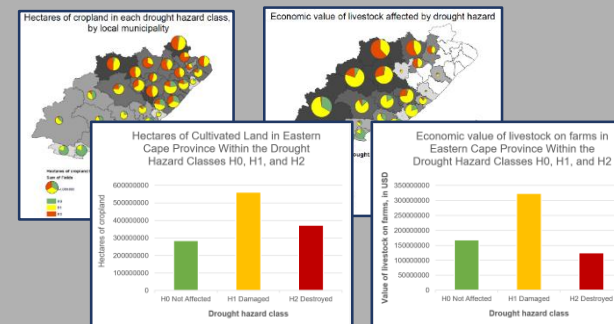
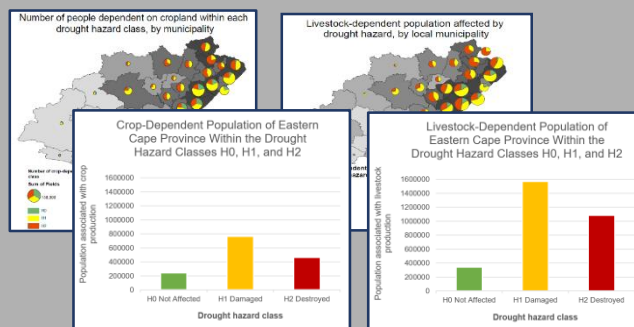
Target B: People Affected  
**B-5: Population with livelihoods  
were disrupted, destroyed due to  
drought**

Target C: Economic Loss  
**C-2: Direct agricultural loss due to  
drought**

Ukraine  
Kiev Oblast



South  
Africa  
Eastern  
Cape  
Province



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# Indicators measured for Target B

**Affected people/**

**global population**

2020-2030 Average << 2005-2015 Average

**B5** Number of people whose livelihoods were disrupted or destroyed, attributed to disasters<sup>°</sup>

**B5a** hectares of crops affected ( $C2C_a$ ) \* average workers per hectare

**B5b** livestock lost ( $C2L_a$ ) \* average workers per livestock

**B5c** sum of productive assets and infrastructure<sup>°°</sup> \* facilities affected ( $C3_b$  and  $C5_b$ ) \* average workers per facility and infrastructure

# Indicators measured for Target C



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**Economic loss/  
global GDP**  
2030 Ratio << 2015 Ratio

## C2 Direct agricultural loss attributed to disasters

**C2C** direct crop loss

**C2L** direct livestock loss

**C2FO** direct forestry loss

**C2A** direct aquaculture loss

**C2FI** direct fishery loss



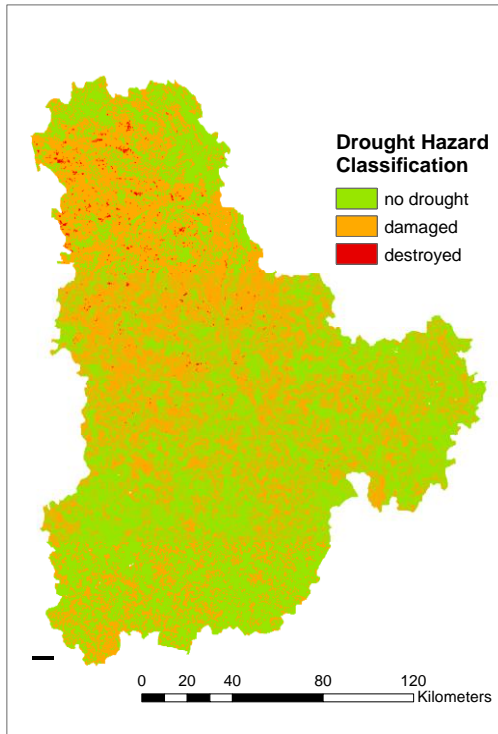
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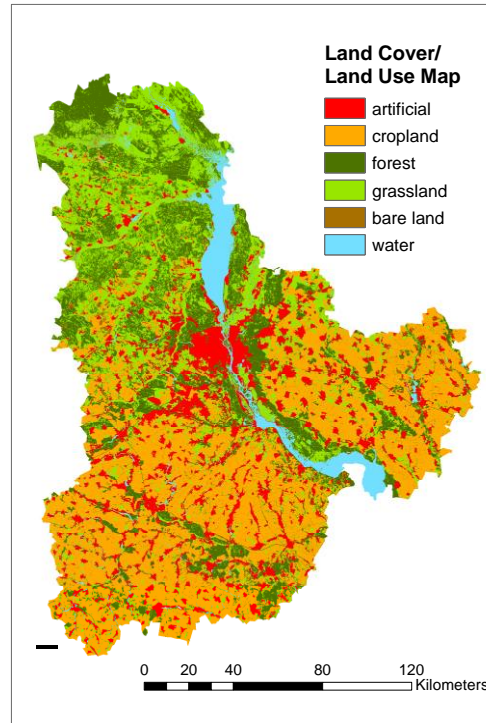
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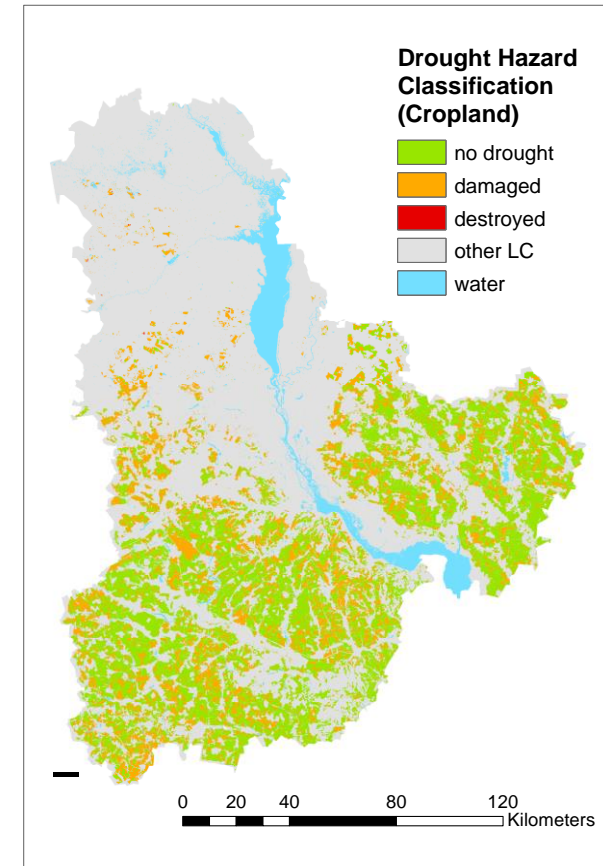
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Hazard Severity Map

Crop Specific Severity  
Map

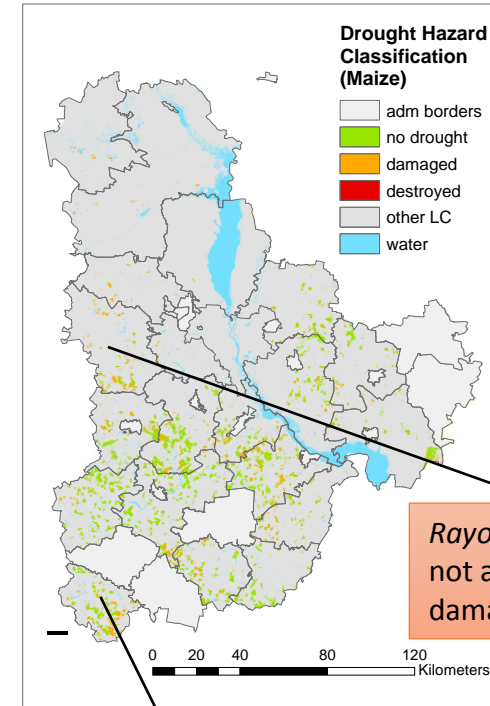
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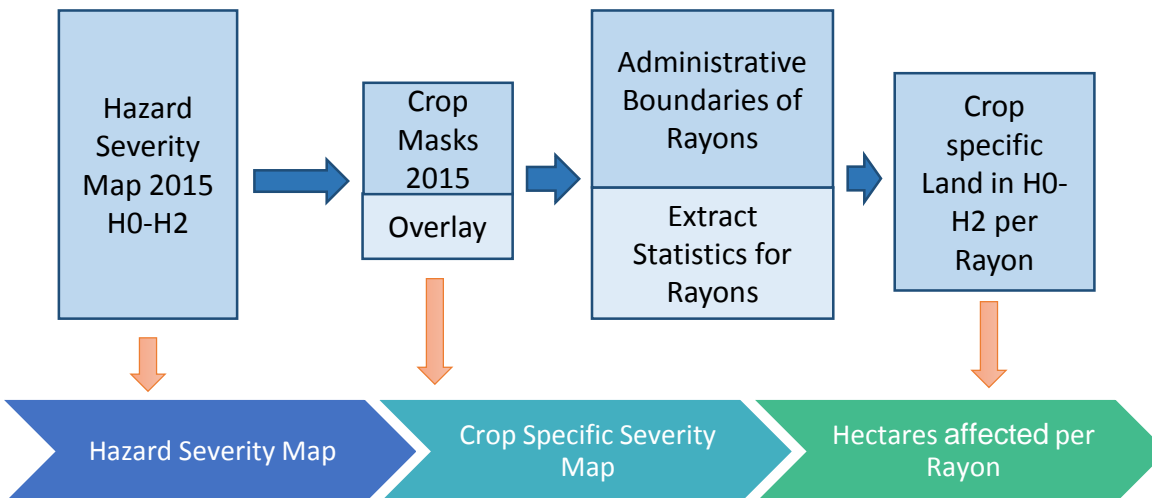
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*Rayon: Makarivskiy*  
not affected = 2,450 ha  
damaged = 4,200 ha

*Rayon: Teetivskiy*  
not affected = 6,800 ha  
damaged = 5,100 ha



# Processing chain: Economic loss due to affected maize in Kyiv oblast in Ukraine (III)



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Difference between expected and actual value of crop production in non-fully affected harvested area

$$\rightarrow p_{ij,t-1} \cdot \Delta y_{ij,t} \cdot ha_{ij,t} \cdot 1(\Delta y_{ij,t} > 0)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Price}_{\text{pre-disaster}} * (\text{expected yield } (Y_{\text{max}}) - \text{actual yield } (Y_{2015})) * \text{number of hectares}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{selling consumer price}^1 * (Y_{\text{max}2004-2015} - Y_{2015}) * ha_{H1}$$

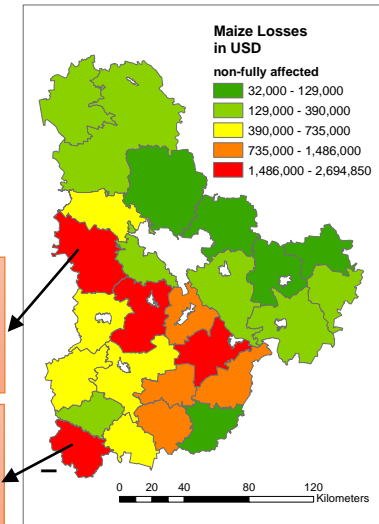
<sup>1</sup> <http://www.agricistrade.eu/statistics>

Target C: Economic loss.

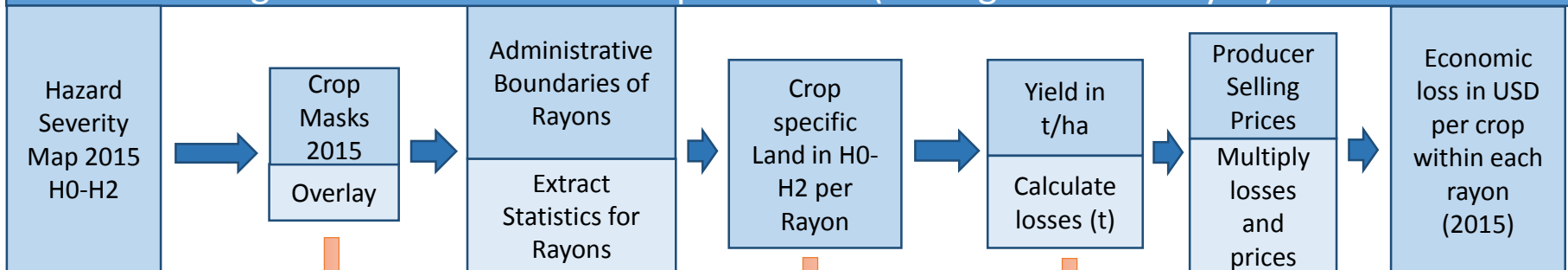
Focus on C-2: Direct agricultural loss due to hazardous events.

Rayon: Makarivskiy  
Economic loss due to  
maize = 1,7 Mio US\$

Rayon: Teativskiy  
Economic loss due to  
maize = 2,4 Mio US\$



## C2-1: Direct agricultural loss due to crops affected (damaged or destroyed)



Hazard Severity Map

Crop Specific Severity  
Map

Hectares affected per  
Rayon

Yield Losses

Economic Loss in USD

# Processing chain: People affected by crops damaged or destroyed in South Africa

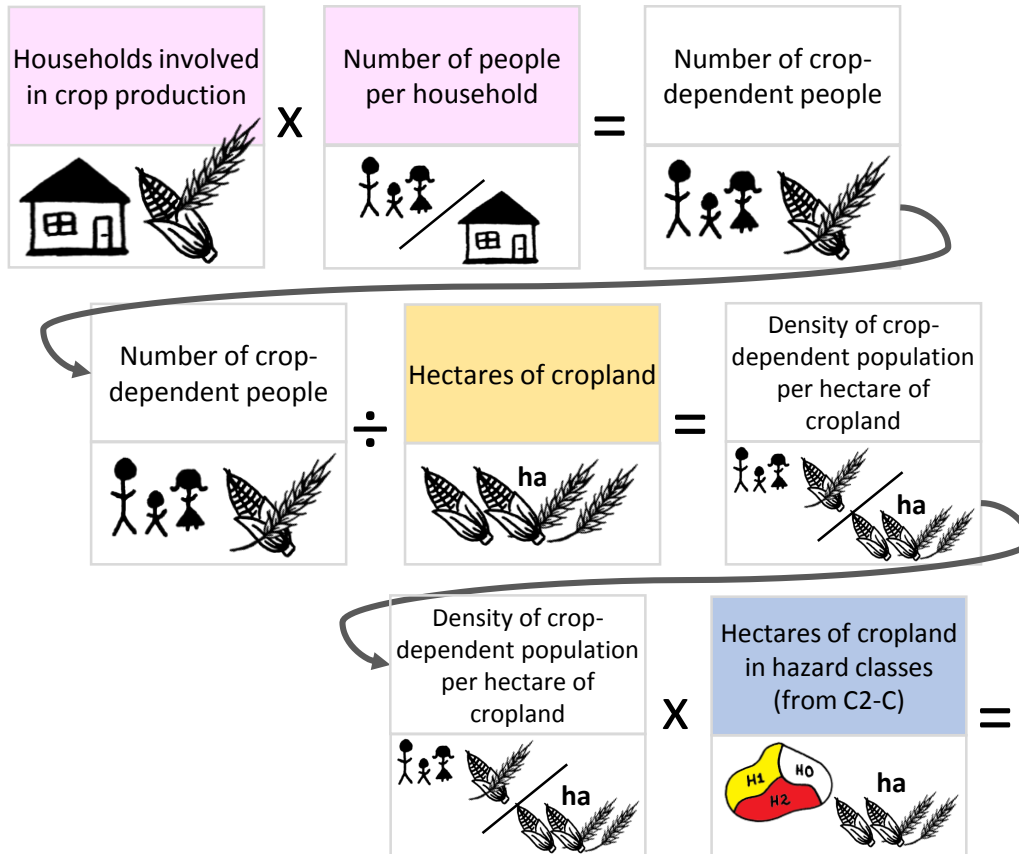


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B5a = hectares of crops affected \* average workers per hectare



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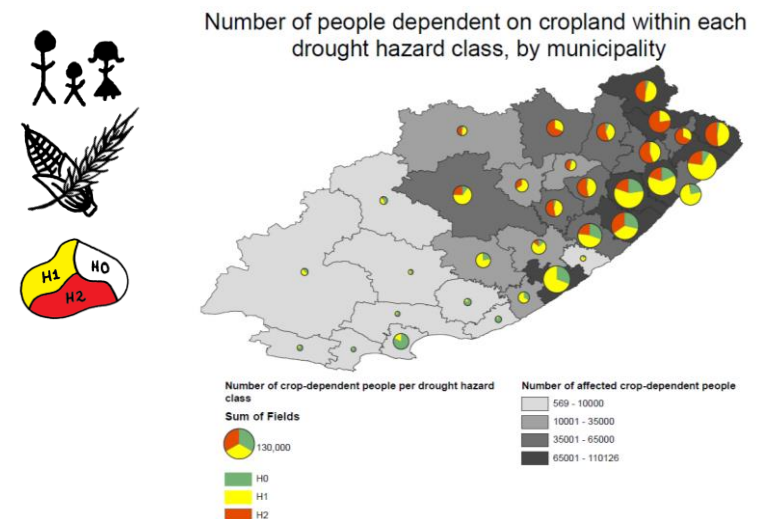
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People affected by crops damaged or destroyed



# Experienced opportunities and challenges of processing Sendai indicators



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## **Opportunities**

Processing chain based on remote sensing data in combination with socio-economic data:

- Supports the retrospective assessment of indicators (relevant for reference base).
- Provides a spatial explicit, disaggregated, objective information as cross-reference.
- Documentation and dissemination as „recommended practices“ via UN-SPIDER knowledge portal allows to reproduce procedure for any region.

## **Challenges**

- Defining thresholds to determine not affected, not fully affected (damaged) and fully affected (destroyed).
- Reduce uncertainties in measuring indicators.



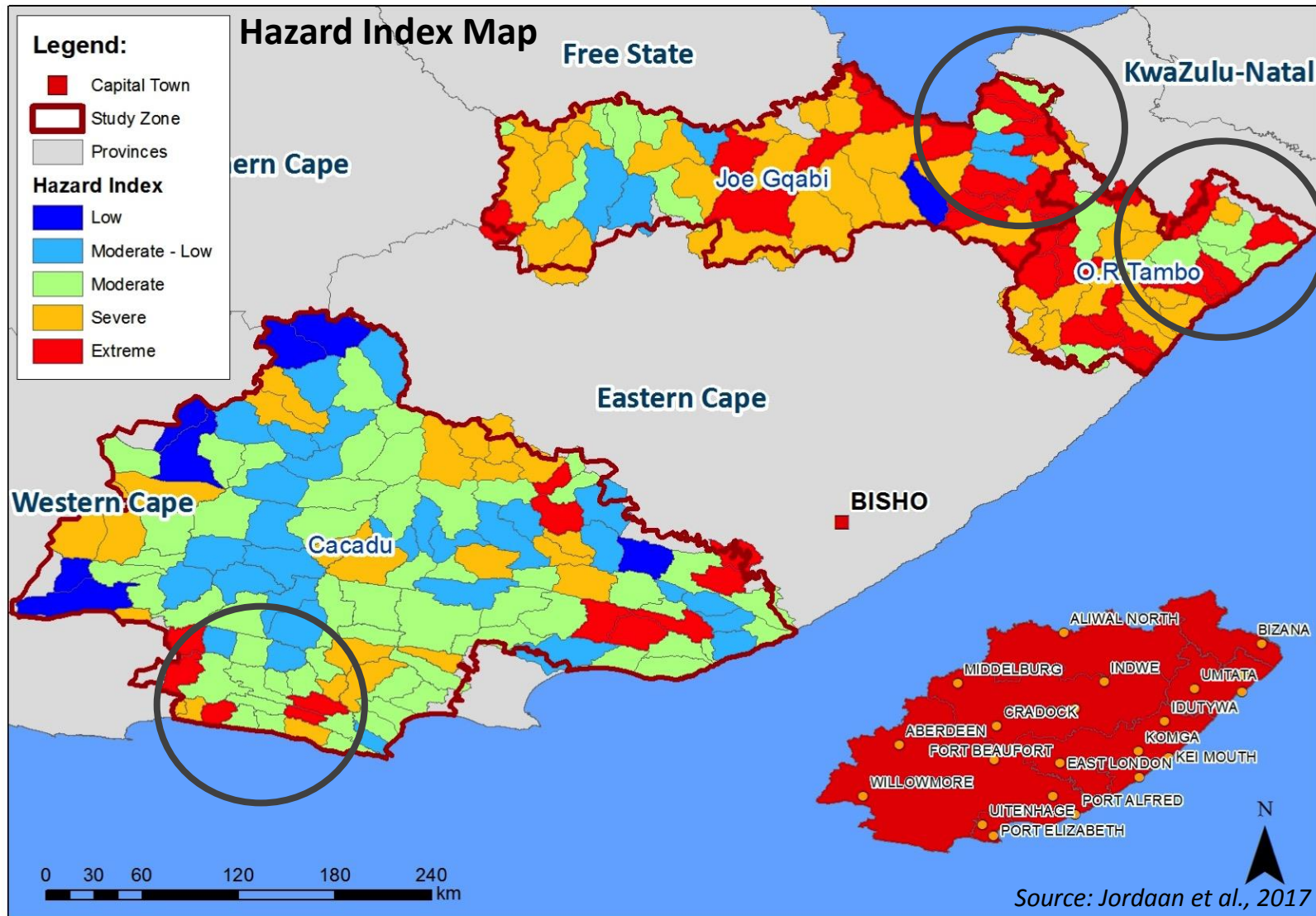
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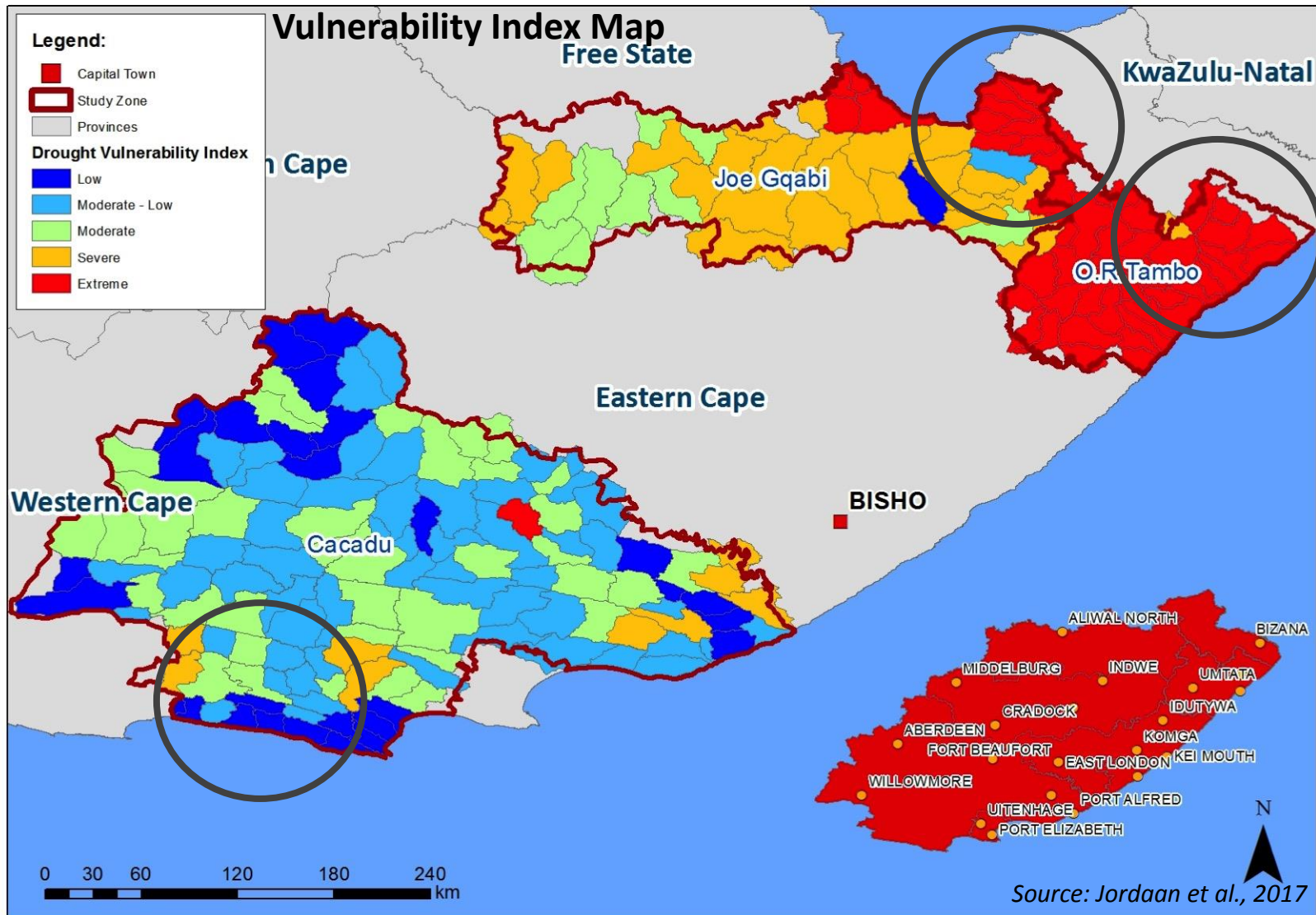
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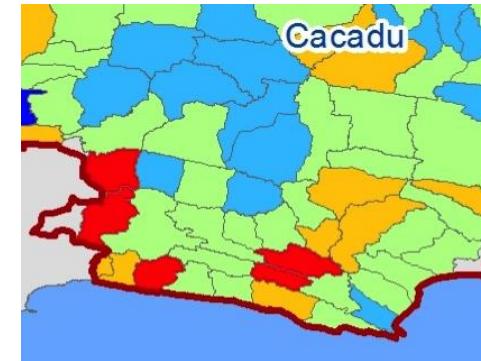
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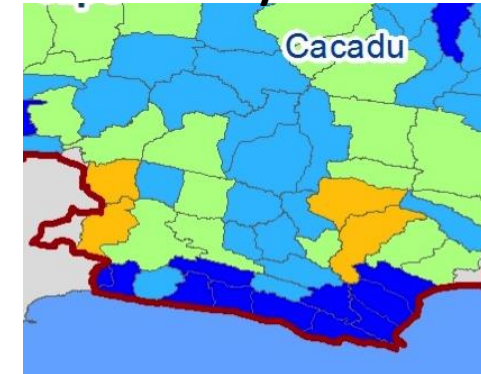
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- Support decision making on the activation of safety nets
- Understanding risk through characteristics of vulnerability and identifying entry points for pro-active risk reduction strategies and adaptation.
- Identifying current and potential hotspots of vulnerability to drought hazards and in this relation identify hotspots of impacts.
- Tracking changes in vulnerability and monitoring and evaluation of prevention and adaptation efforts.

## Hazard



## Vulnerability



*Source: Jordaan et al., 2017*

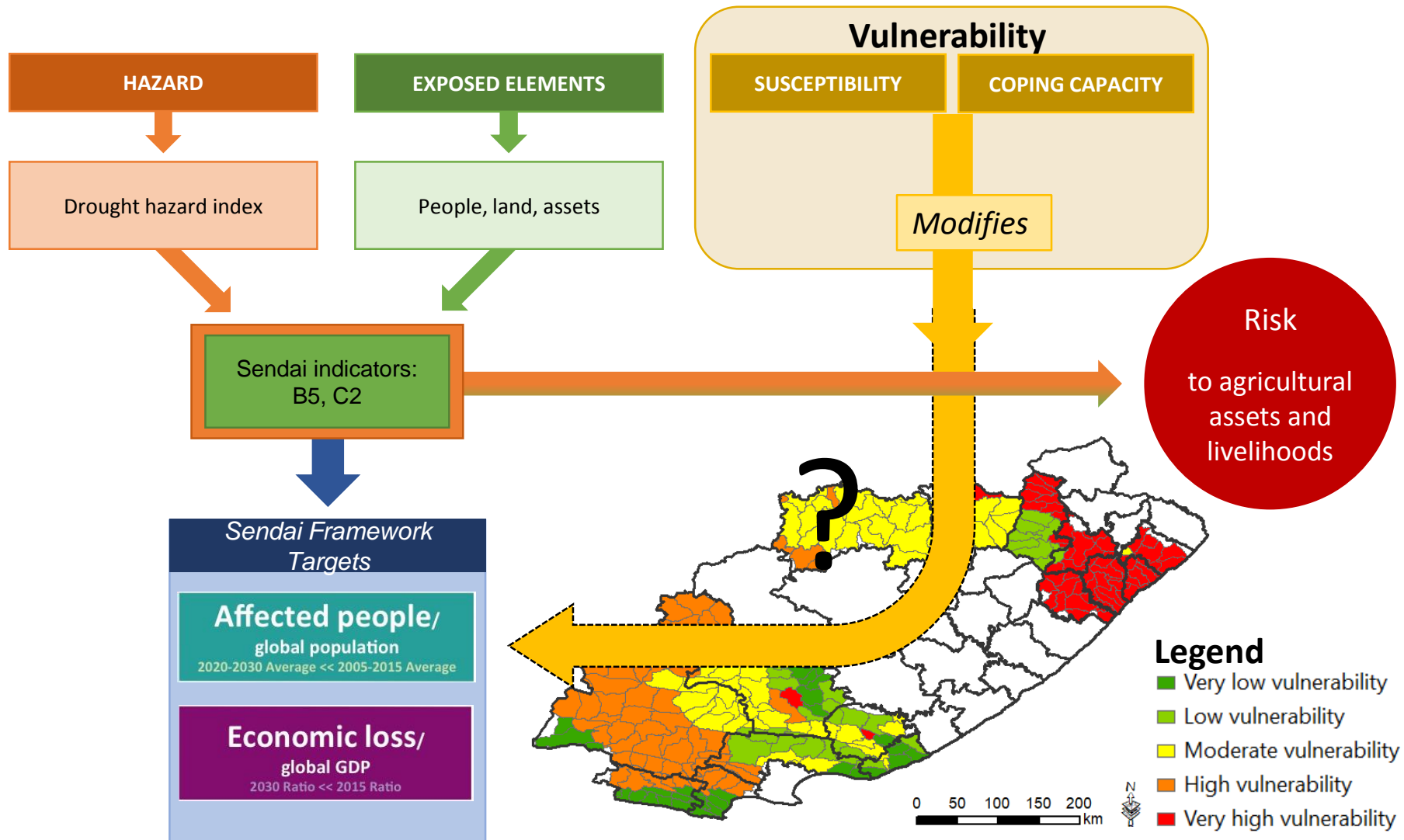
# Outlook: Does vulnerability impact Sendai indicator values?



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# Thank you very much for your attention

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# Understanding risk – Measuring vulnerability to drought



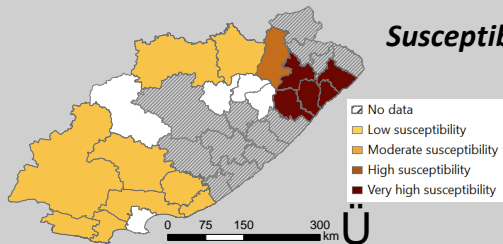
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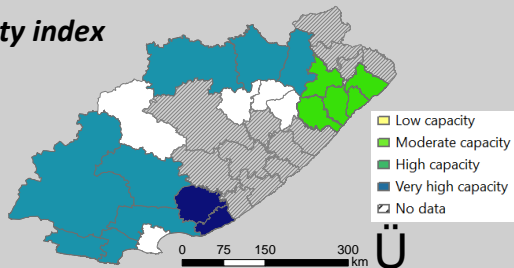
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## South Africa Eastern Cape Province

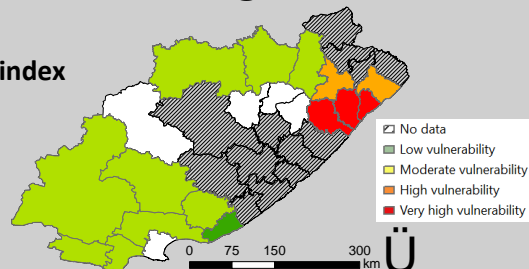
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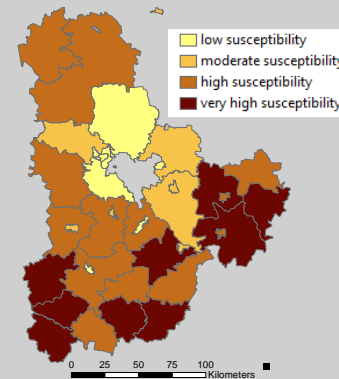


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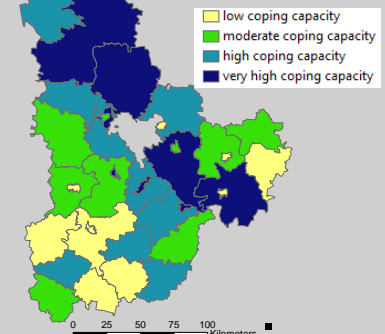


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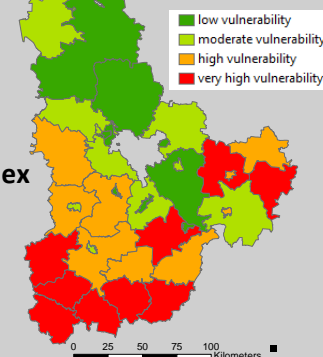
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# Indicators measured for Target C



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### C2C direct crop loss

**Loss of annual crop stocks**

**Loss of perennial crop stocks**

**Annual crop production loss** = difference between expected and actual value of crop production in non-fully affected harvested area in disaster year + pre-disaster value of destroyed crops in fully-affected areas + Short-run post-disaster maintenance costs (lump sum of expenses used to temporarily sustain production activities immediately post-disaster)

**Perennial crop production loss**

**Crop assets lost**