

Do Now: Thursday February 24th

- Answer the following questions on a blank sheet of paper:
- What 5 words come to mind when you think of Africa?
- What aspect of Africa do you find most interesting? What would you like to know more about African history?

Intro to Africa

- Africa is the most clearly *geographically* defined continent
- Human beings originated there
- There is more diversity in human types and societies than anywhere else in the world



All About Africa

- 2nd largest 2nd most populous continent
- Population: approximately 922 million (the US is about 300 million)
- Africa currently has 53 countries



Just how big is Africa?

- Africa is over 11.5 million square miles big!
- You can fit Europe, the US (including Alaska) and China in Africa!

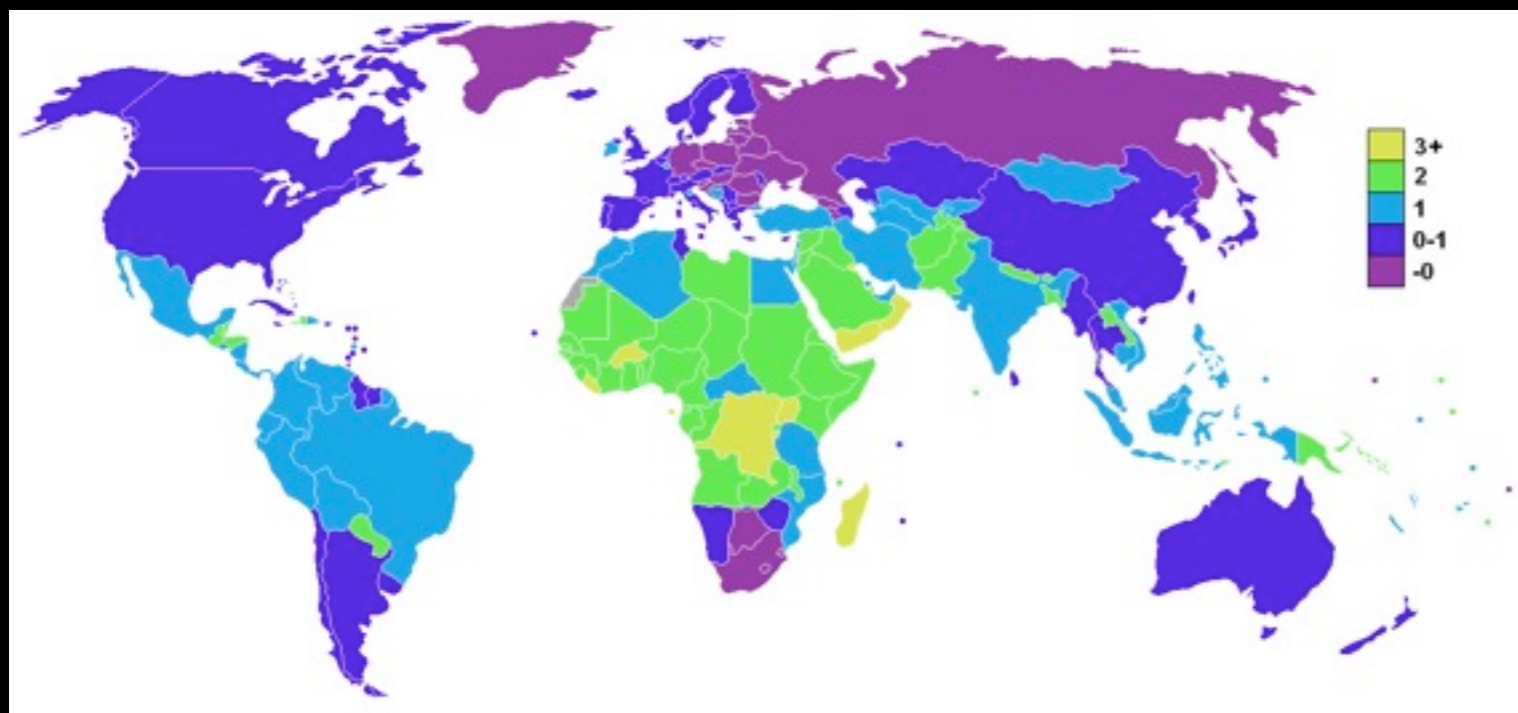
HOW BIG IS AFRICA?



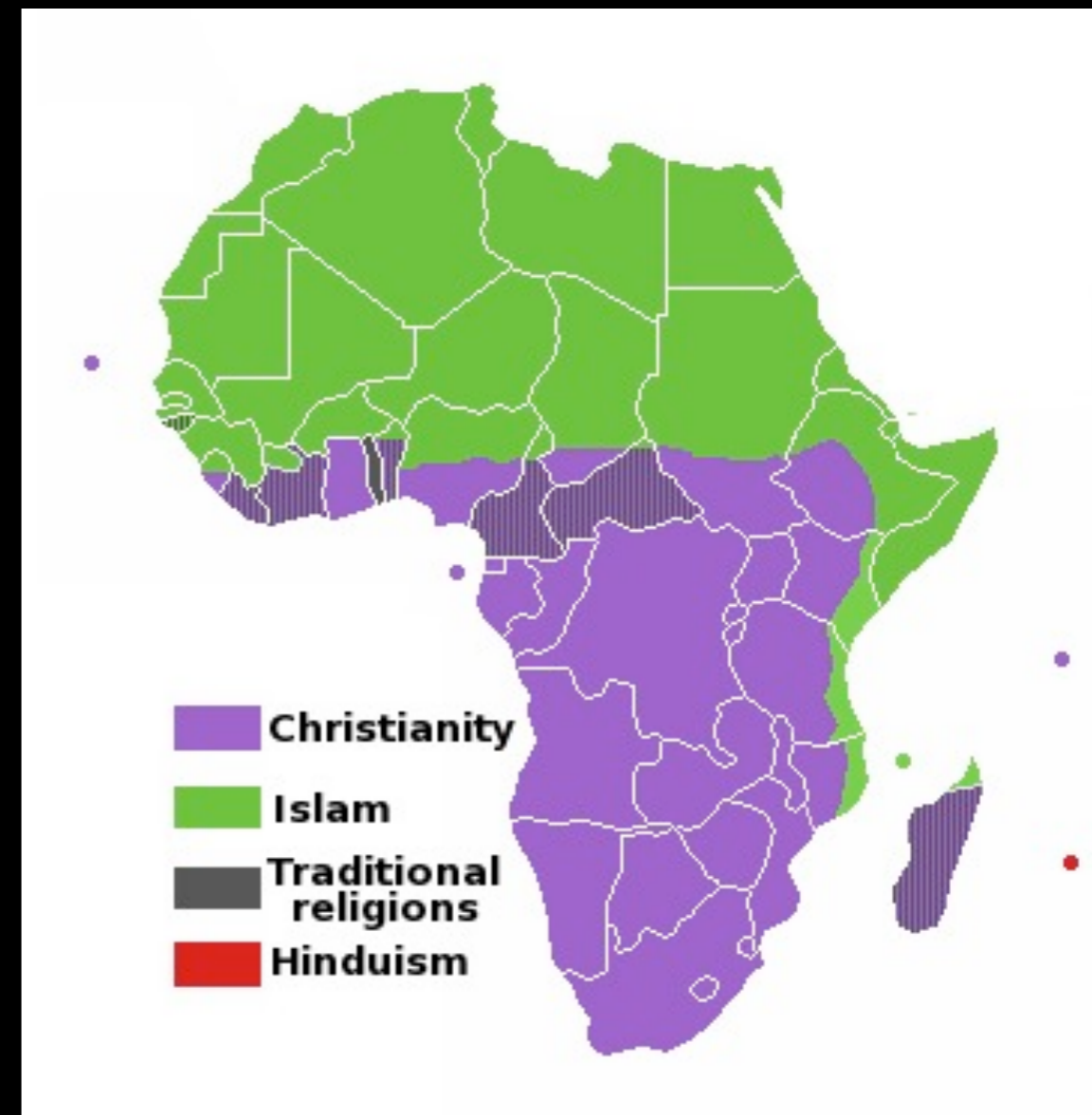
Information from the poster How Big is Africa?, African Studies Center, Boston University

Objective:

- We will conduct **SPATIAL ANALYSIS** to understand the human geography of Africa.



Population Growth Rate

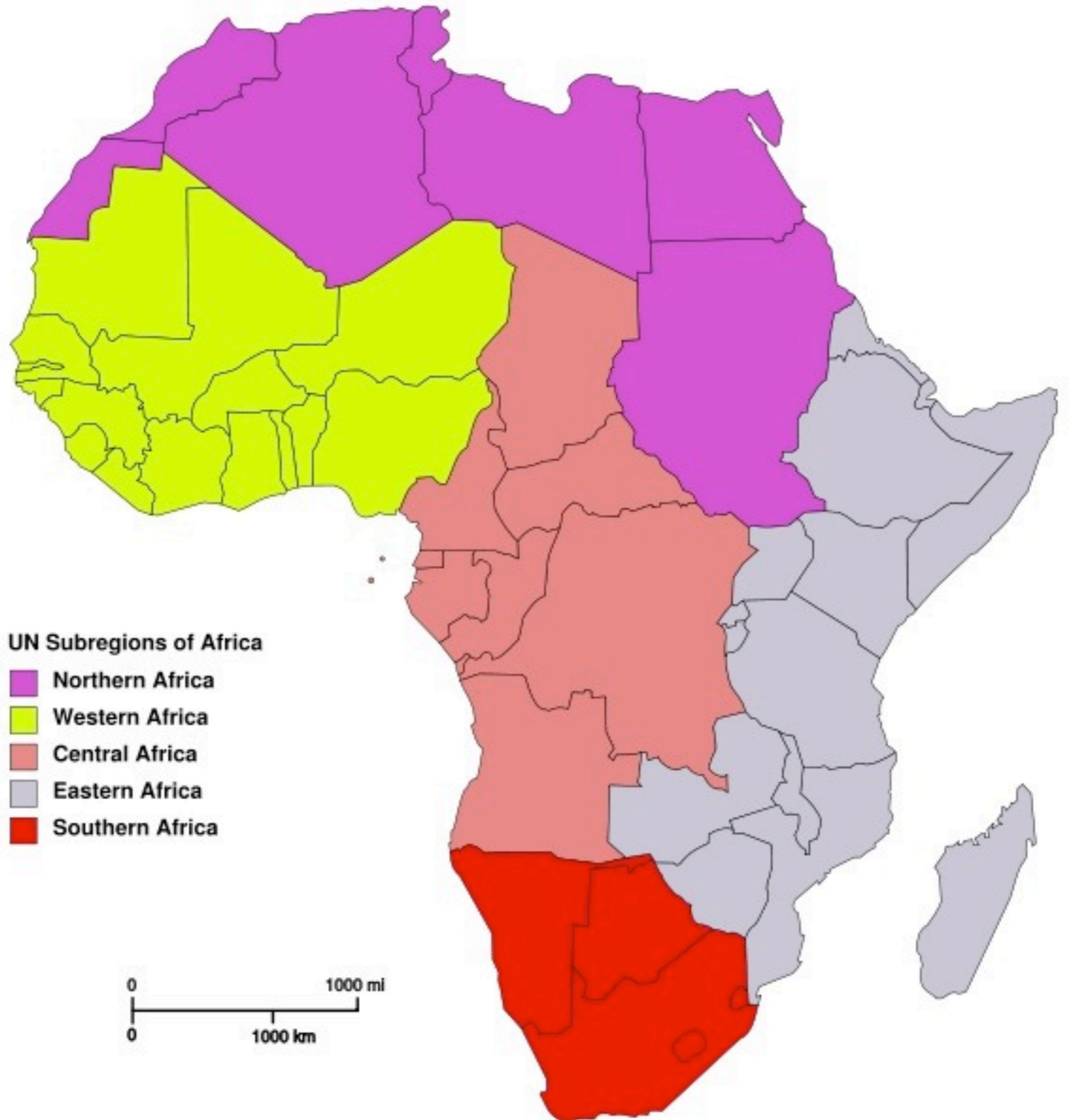


Music of the Ituri Forest

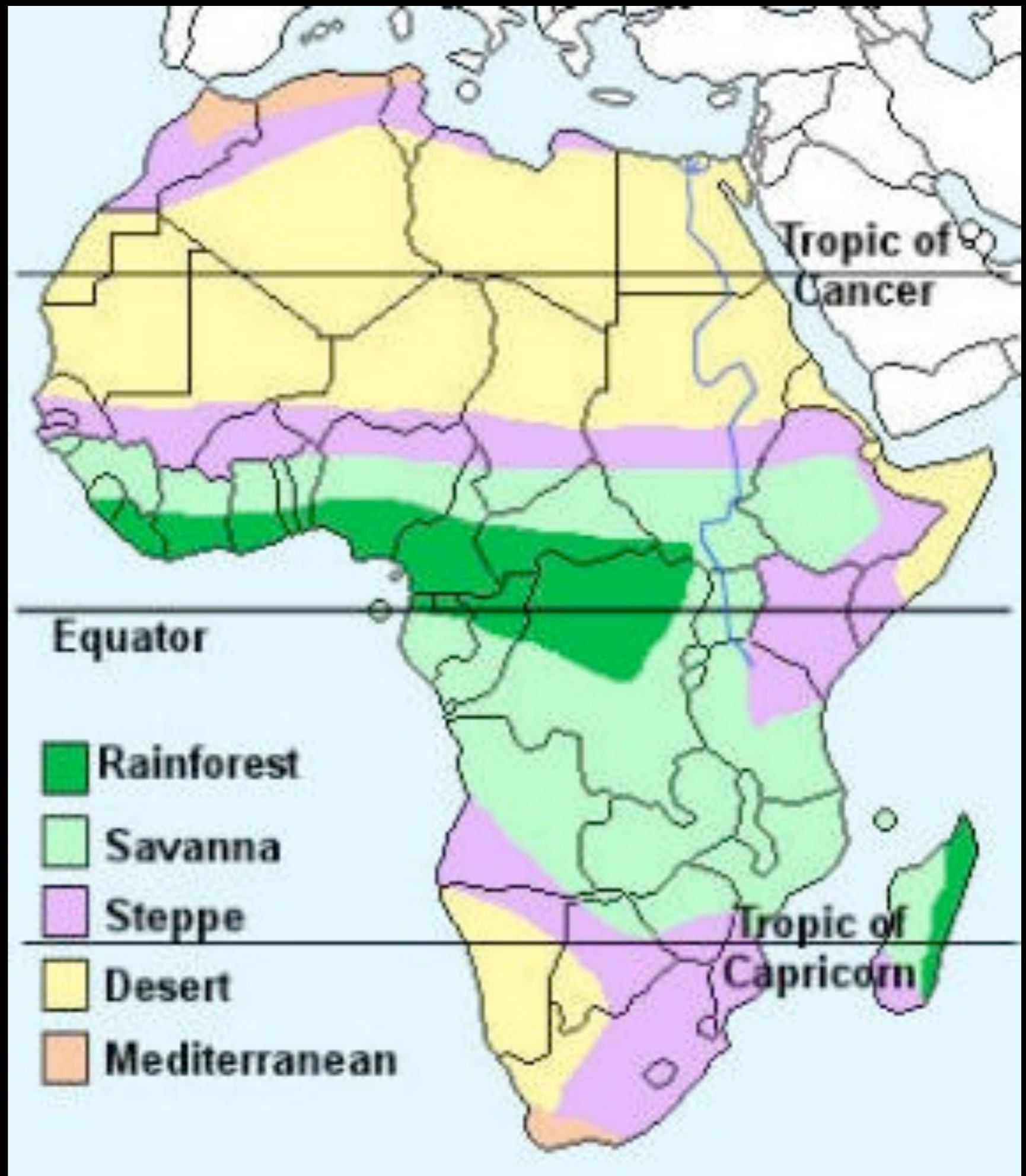
- Rainforest located in the democratic republic of the Congo
- Home of the Mbuti Pygmies, hunter gatherer people



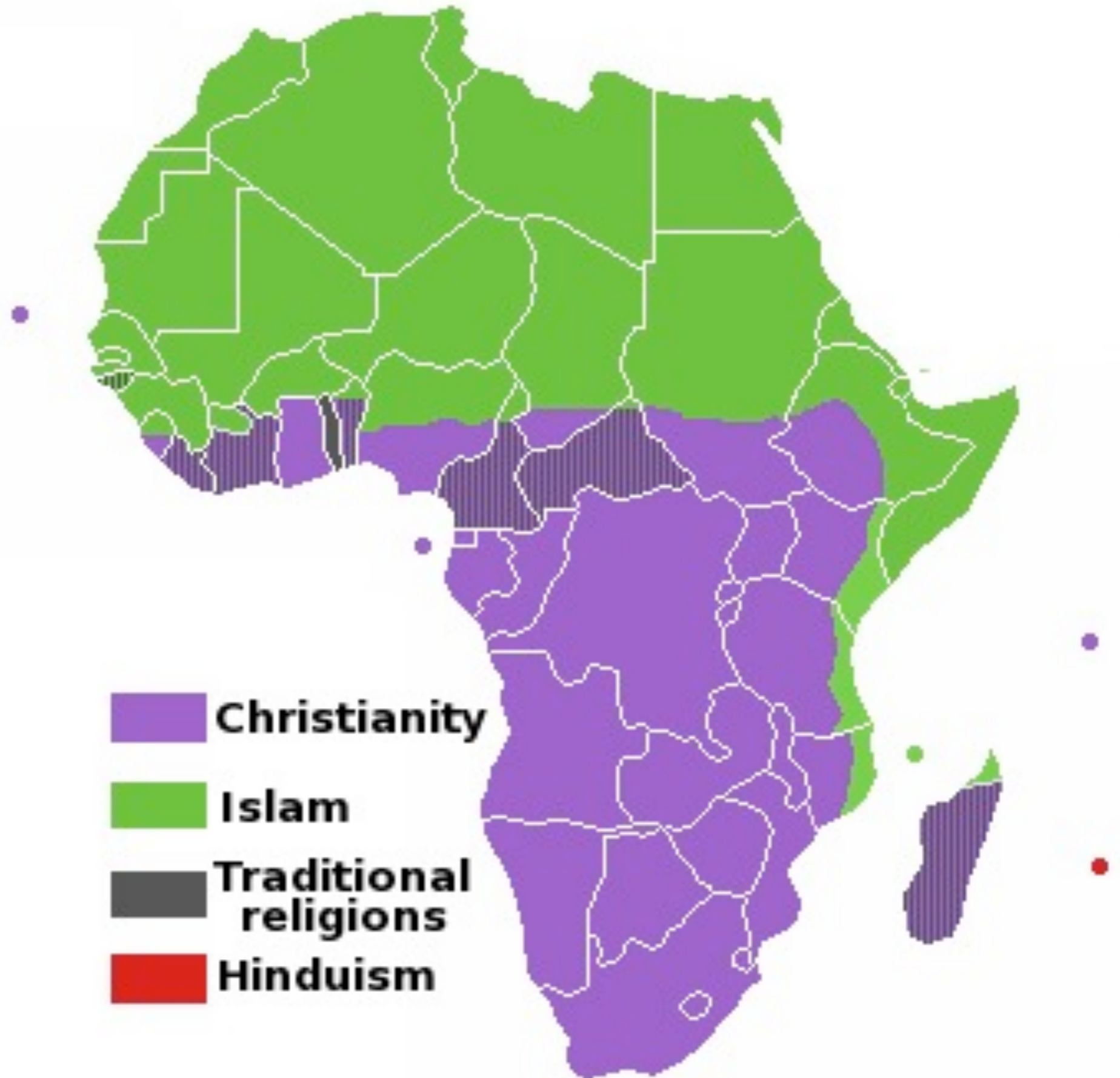
Regions of Africa



Africa Climate Regions



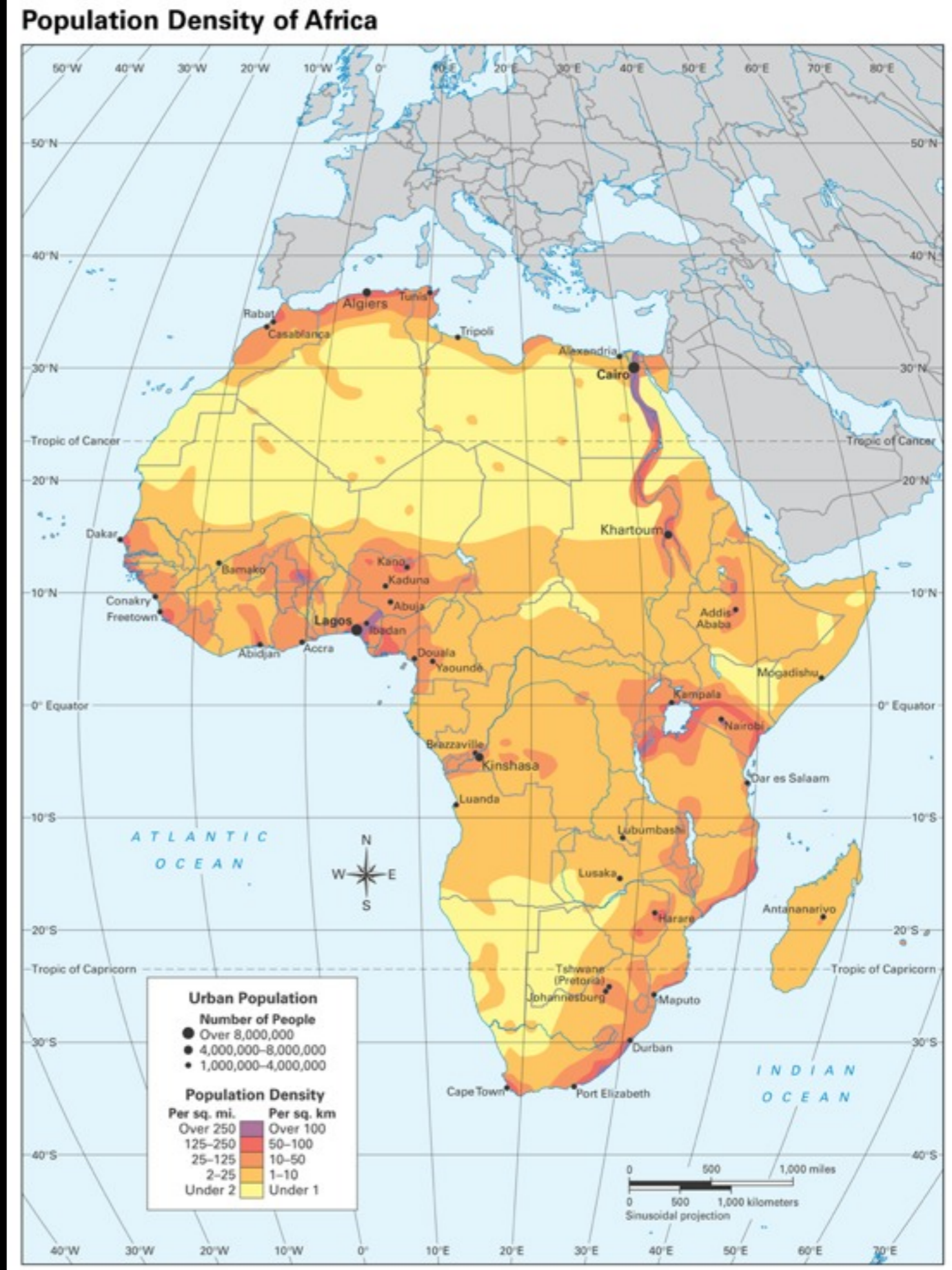
Religion Africa



Africa Today



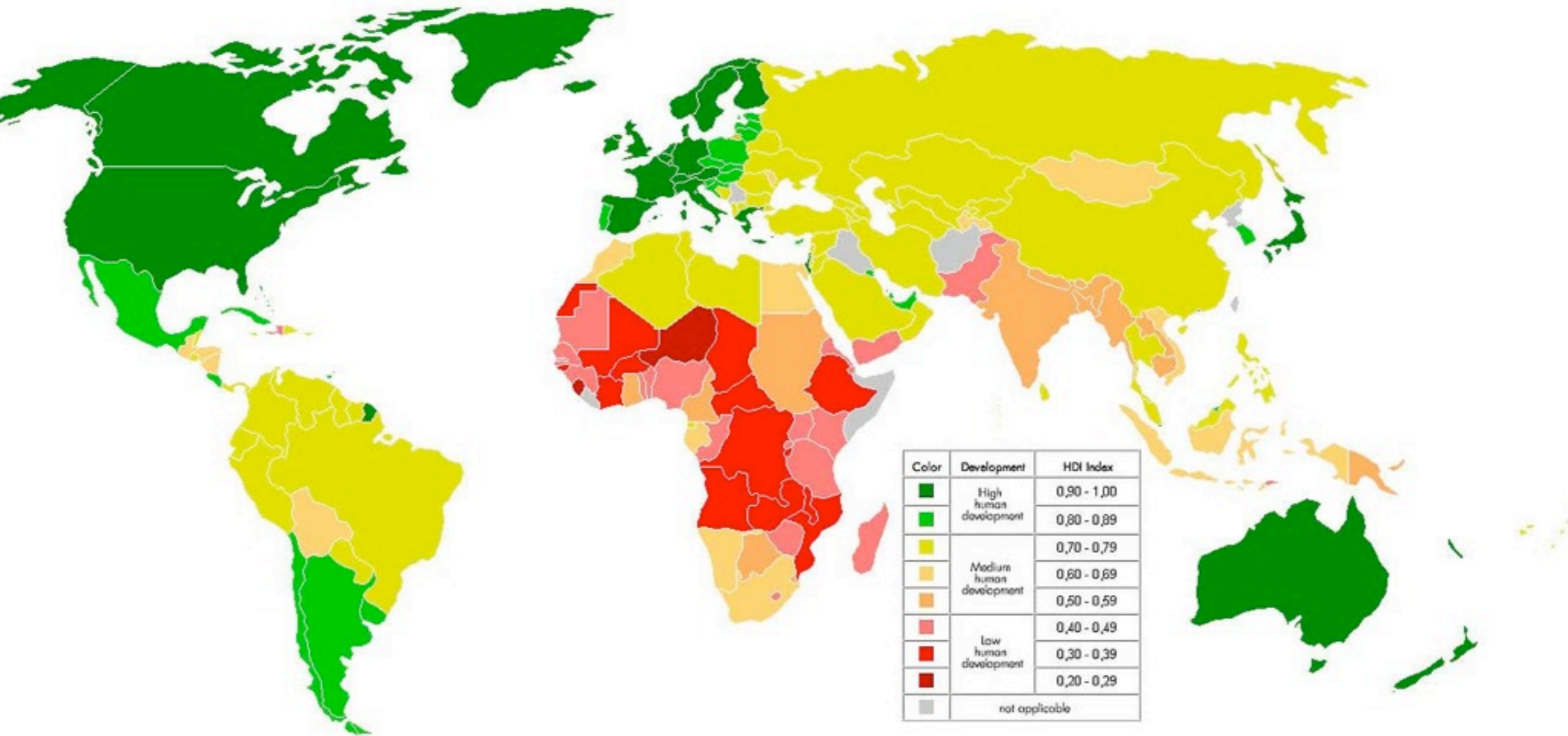
- What is the relationship between climate regions and population density?
- Based on this map and your religion map, which religion would you expect to have the most followers?



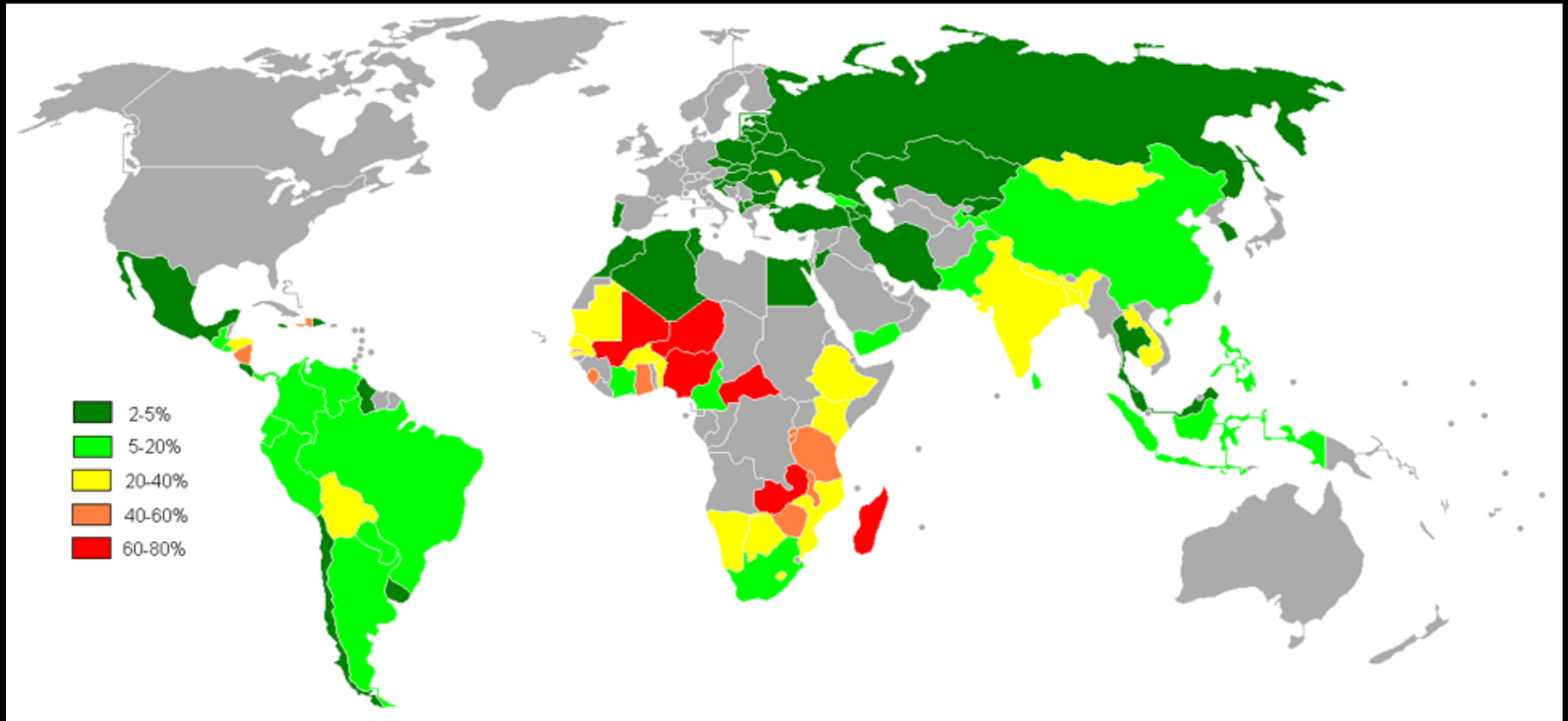
What challenges does Africa face today?

- We will conduct a spatial analysis by generating conclusions based on several world maps.
- As we review each map, we will identify the following:
 - What information does this map show us?
 - How challenge does this map represent?
 - What would it take to overcome this challenge?

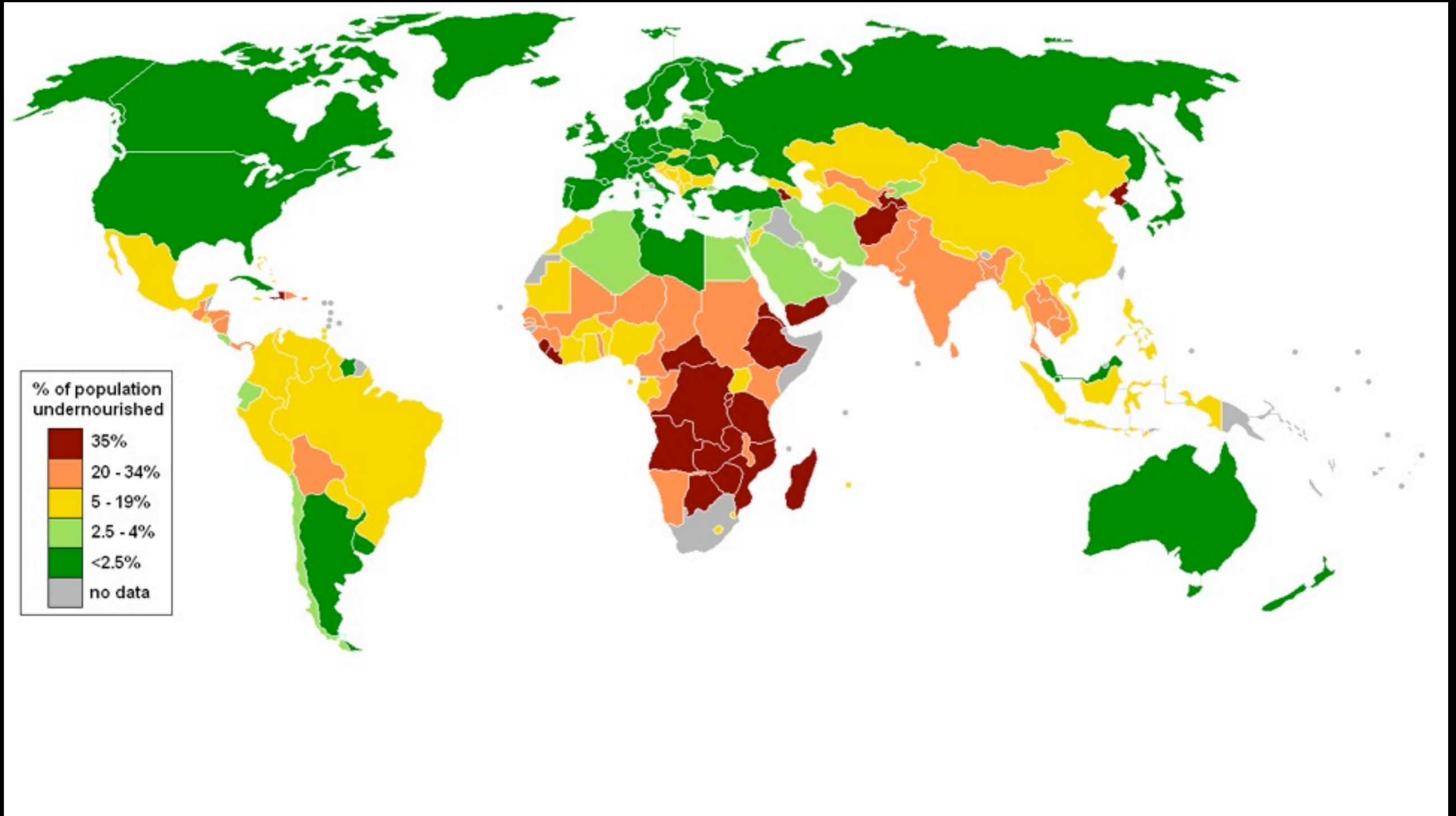
Level of Development



People living on less than \$1 per day

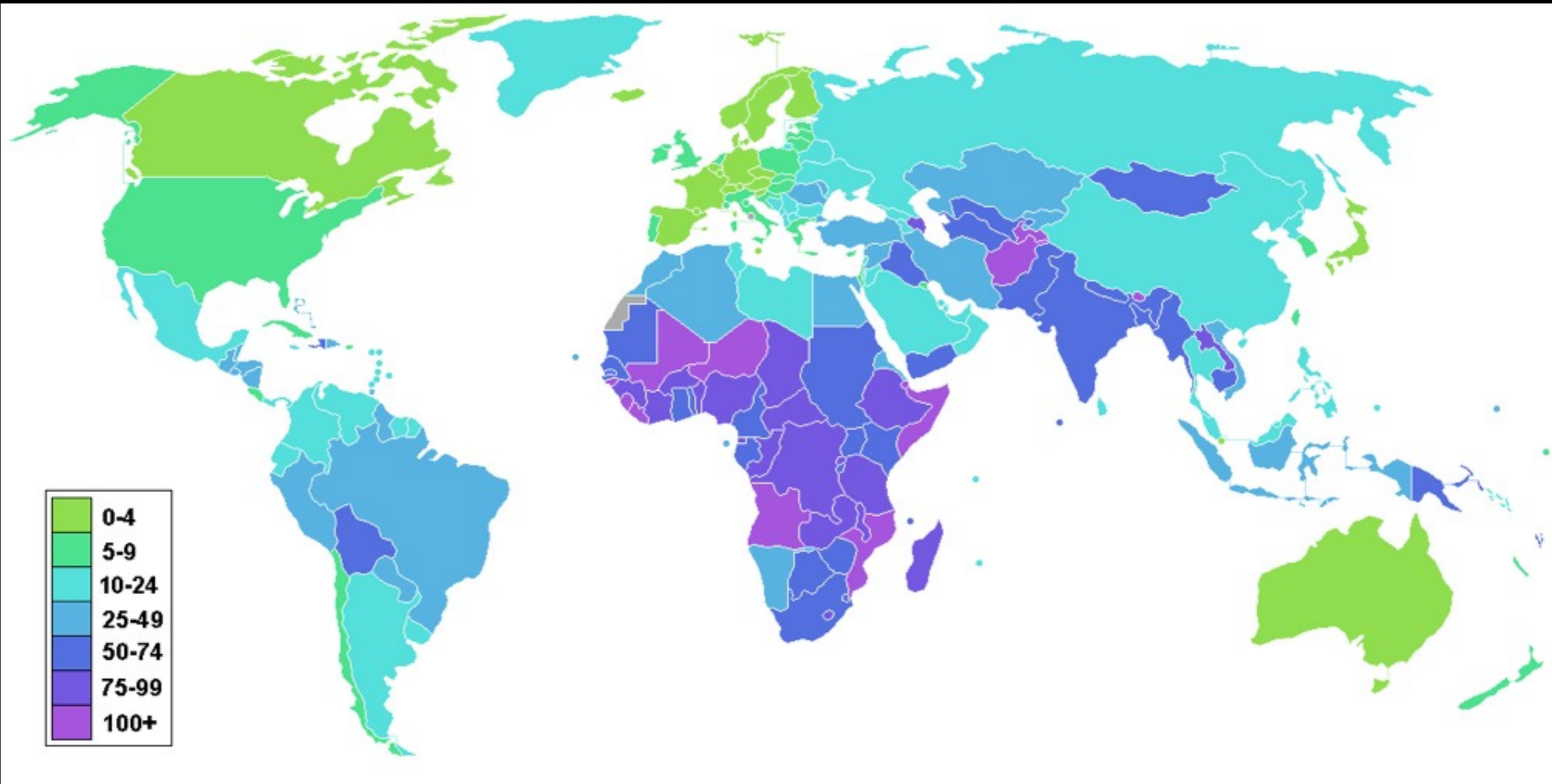


% Undernourished Population

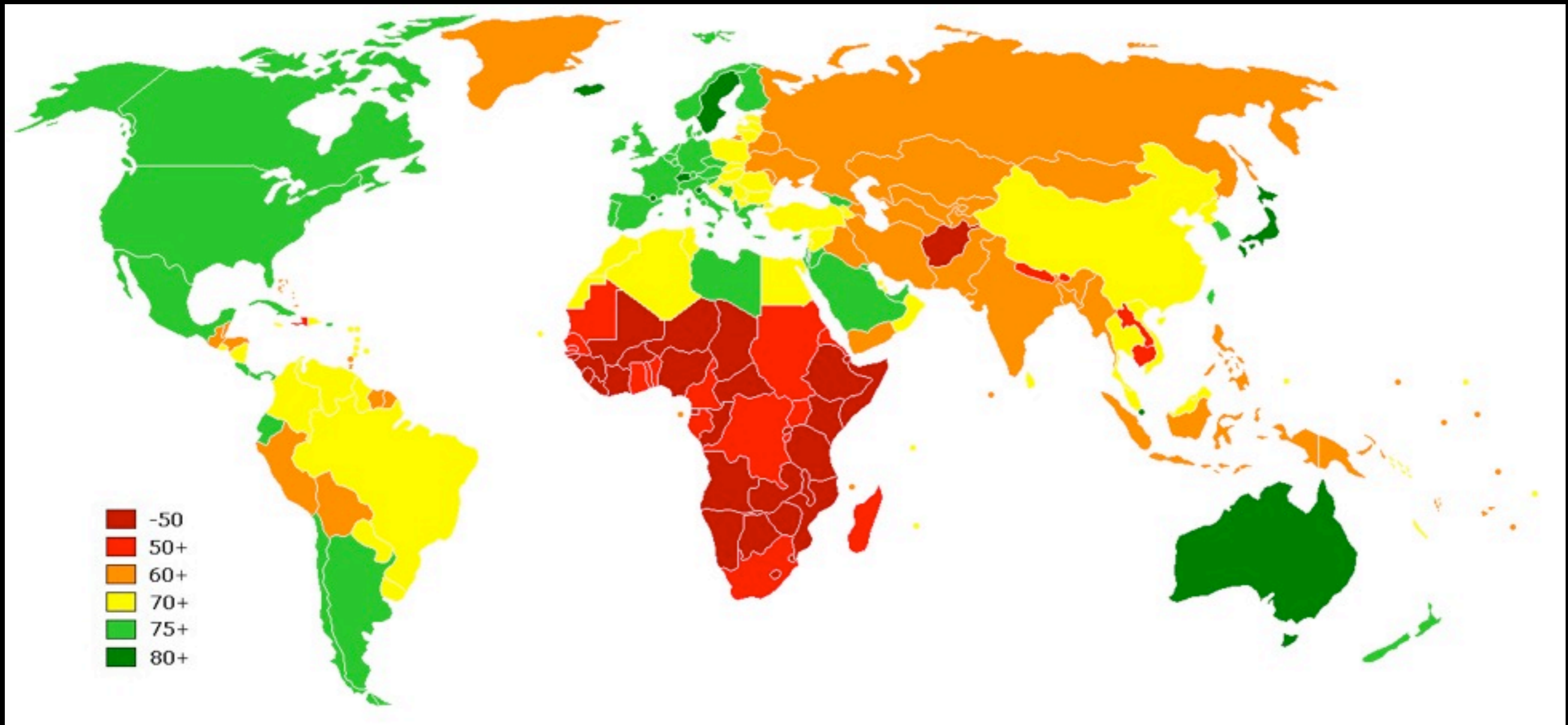


Infant Mortality Rate

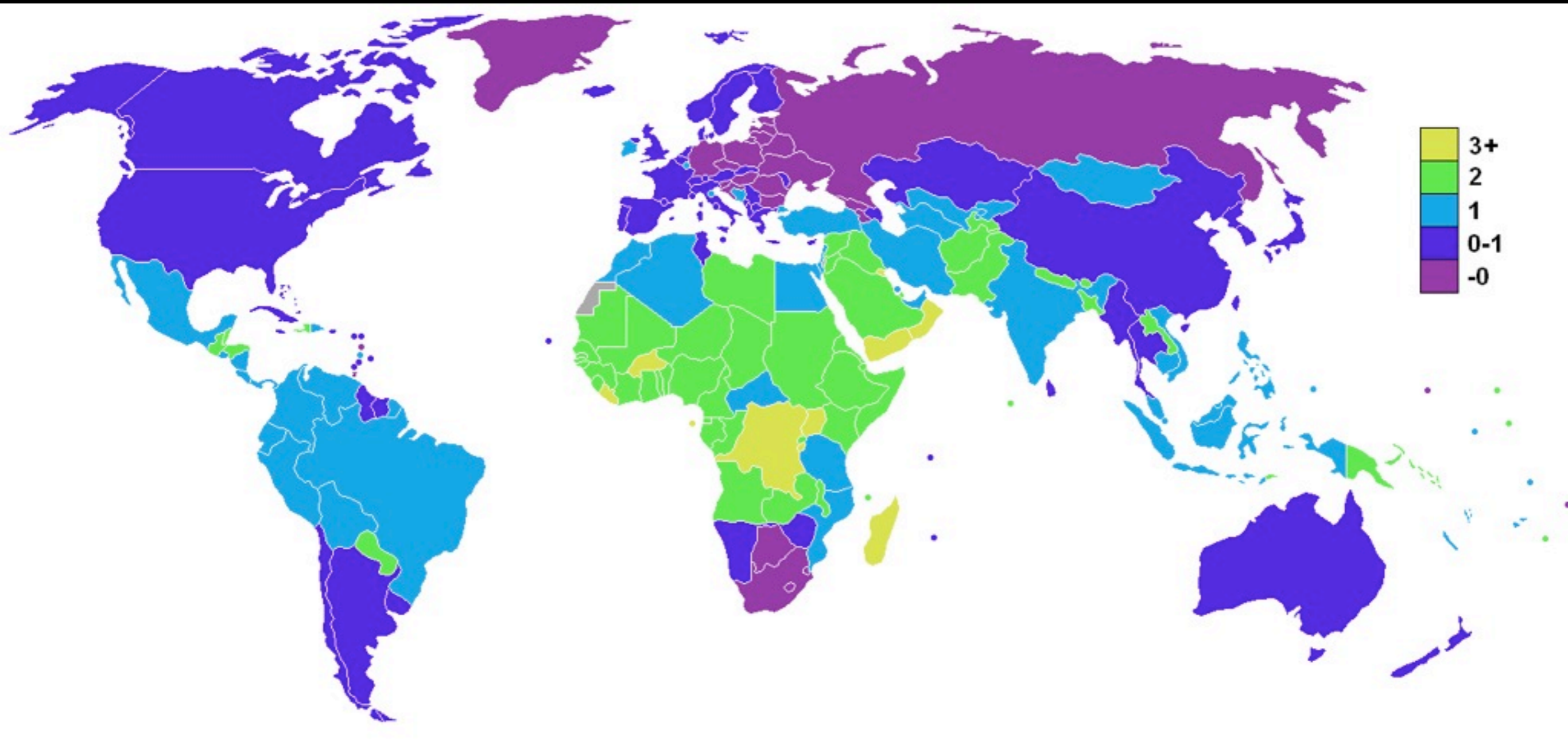
What is the purpose of looking at these maps?



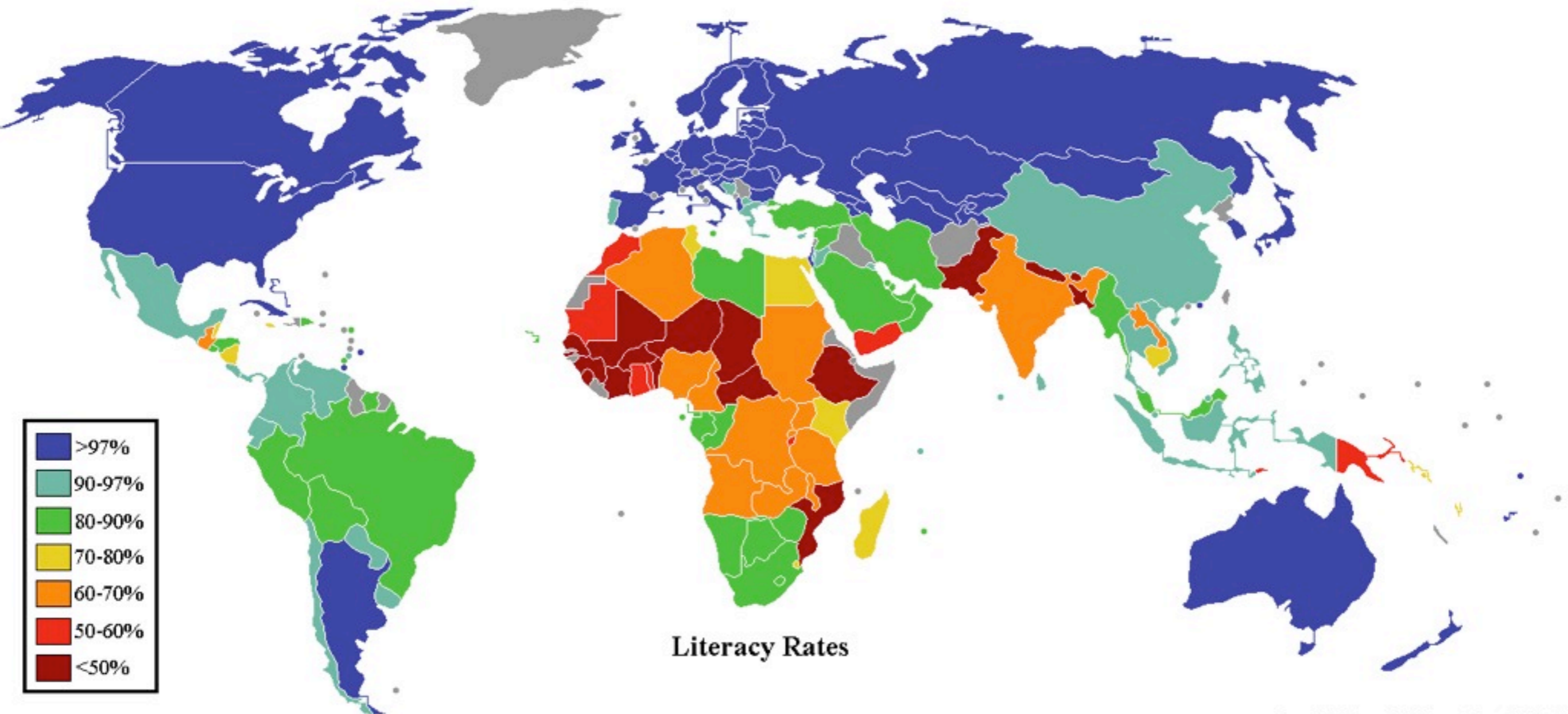
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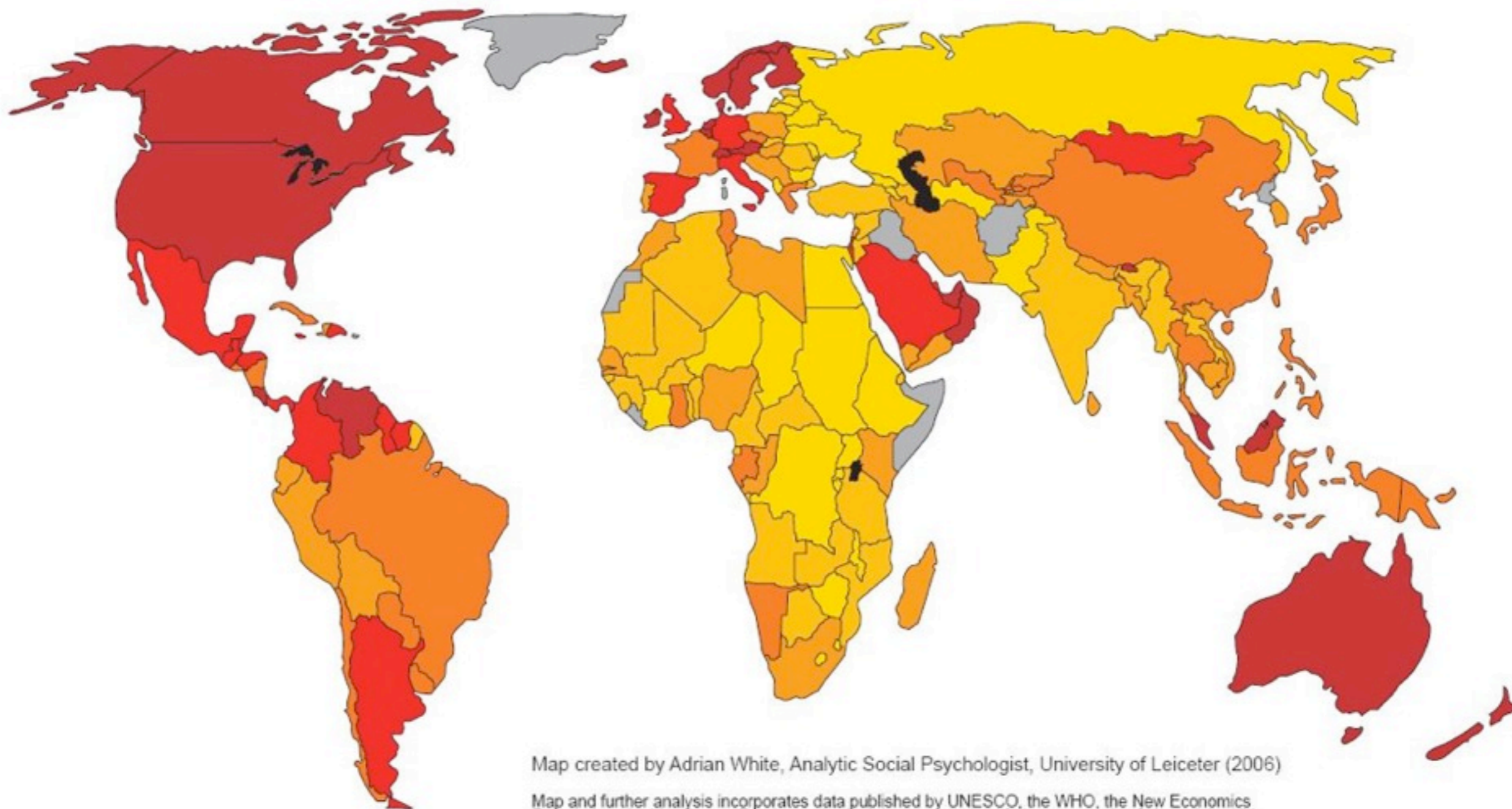
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Literacy Rates



A Global Projection of Subjective Well-being: The First Published Map of World Happiness



Map created by Adrian White, Analytic Social Psychologist, University of Leicester (2006)

Map and further analysis incorporates data published by UNESCO, the WHO, the New Economics Foundation, the Veenhoven Database, the Latinbarometer, the Afrobarometer, the CIA, and the UN Human Development Report.



Happy ----- Average ----- Unhappy

Exit Ticket:

- Based on the maps that we reviewed, how would you summarize the challenges that Africa currently faces?
- Identify 2 maps that we examined and explain how they are related to each other. What do we learn about the world/Africa by viewing these maps together?

Africa - A History Denied

- While we watch, consider why it is so important for us to know about the history of Africa, and what are some of the challenges of knowing exactly what has happened throughout Africa's history.

“Artificial Borders”

- How might this term apply to Africa?
- What kind of problems might arise when you create many small countries with borders that do not take into consideration the different kinds of rival groups that are contained within these borders?

Do Now: Fri. Feb. 25th

- Quickly take your seats and get out your American Revolution
- As we pass the paper around, take 5-6 sheets for your book.

Do Now: Mon. Feb 28th

- Take your seat, pick up the handout and respond to the following question:
 - What is a democratic revolution?
 - What factors are most important in determining the success of a democratic revolution?

Your Assignment:

- You are a CIA analyst stationed at the N.Africa desk. You have been asked to write a 1 paragraph report on whether you think the Libyan democratic revolution will succeed and why? Your station chief wants this delivered by tomorrow.
- What do you already know about Libya that you can use to predict what will happen in Libya?
- What else do you need to know in order to accurately predict what will happen in Libya?

Yes sir,
I'll have that
to you right
away sir.





While you read....

- What information are you looking to get from each of your articles?
- Where will you put this information?
- What questions are you trying to answer by reading and analyzing your articles?

Closing:

- What evidence stands out as the most significant to you?
- Do you think the revolution will be successful? Why?

African Empires

- Nubia & Kush
- Bantu Migrations
- Western African Civilizations

Nubia & Kush Empires

- Nubia was a region just south of Ancient Egypt
- Kush was a major kingdom that developed there around 2000 BCE
- The two kingdoms influenced each other
- Egypt dominated Kush until around 1000 BCE



Picture of Nubians bringing tribute to Ancient Egypt

Why Northern Africa

- Why did the Nubia and Kush Empires develop in the region they did? (look at the map on page 35)
- Look at the two sculptures on page 36. What similarities do you see between the Egyptian and Nubian sculptures? What does that tell us about their impact on each other? What do the sculptures tell us about those rulers?