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**Pearson Edexcel International GCSE (9–1)**

**Friday 17 May 2024**

Afternoon (Time: 1 hour 10 minutes)      Paper reference **4GE1/01**

**Geography**  
**PAPER 1: Physical geography**

**You must have:**  
Resource Booklet (enclosed), calculator

Total Marks

### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- In Section A, answer **two** questions from Questions 1, 2 and 3.
- In Section B, answer **one** question from Questions 4, 5 and 6.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided  
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- Calculators may be used.
- **Where asked you must show all your working out with your answer clearly identified at the end of your solution.**

### Information

- The total mark for this paper is 70.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets  
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

### Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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**SECTION A**

**Answer TWO questions from this section.**

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**If you answer Question 1, put a cross in the box ☒ .**

**1 River environments**

(a) Identify the best definition of the term evaporation. (1)

- A** any form of water that falls from the sky
- B** the emission of water vapour from leaves
- C** water changing from a gas to a liquid
- D** water changing from a liquid to a gas

(b) (i) Identify the best definition of a river source. (1)

- A** a smaller river that joins a larger river
- B** where the river meets the sea
- C** where the river starts
- D** where two rivers meet

(ii) State **one** human cause of river flooding. (1)

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(iii) Explain the process of saltation. (2)

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(c) Study Figure 1a in the Resource Booklet.

Suggest **two** pieces of evidence from the map that this is an upland area.

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(d) Study Figure 1b in the Resource Booklet.

Identify the feature of the storm hydrograph labelled **X**.

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(e) Explain **two** different causes of river water pollution.

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(f) Explain **one** way dams can affect river regimes.

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(g) Study Figure 1c in the Resource Booklet.

Analyse the possible reasons for water shortages.

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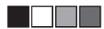
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If you answer Question 2, put a cross in the box  .

**2 Coastal environments**

(a) Identify **one** abiotic characteristic of a coastal ecosystem. (1)

- A** coral
- B** fungi
- C** phytoplankton
- D** temperature

(b) (i) Identify the best definition of backwash. (1)

- A** distance between two wave crests
- B** friction between wind and water surface
- C** movement of water down the beach
- D** movement of water up the beach

(ii) State **one** characteristic of a constructive wave. (1)

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(iii) Explain **one** type of coastal mass movement. (2)

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(c) Study Figure 2a in the Resource Booklet.

Suggest **two** reasons hard engineering is suitable for this stretch of coastline.

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(d) Explain why **one** conflict might occur between different users of coastlines.

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(g) Study Figure 2c in the Resource Booklet.

Analyse the possible reasons why the populations of some countries are more at risk from coastal flooding than others.

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**3 Hazardous environments**

(a) Identify the plate boundary where volcanoes **do not** form. (1)

- A** conservative (transform)
- B** constructive (divergent)
- C** destructive (convergent)
- D** hotspot

(b) (i) Identify the correct way to measure tropical cyclone intensity. (1)

- A** Mercalli scale
- B** Moment magnitude scale
- C** Richter scale
- D** Saffir-Simpson scale

(ii) State **one** characteristic of a tropical cyclone. (1)

(iii) Explain **one** reason tropical cyclones lose their energy when they reach land. (2)

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(c) Explain **two** reasons preparation for earthquakes may be more effective in some countries than others.

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(d) Explain **one** physical factor that can make people more vulnerable to natural hazards.

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(e) Study Figure 3a in the Resource Booklet.

Identify the volcanic hazard labelled **X**.

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(f) Study Figure 3b in the Resource Booklet.

Suggest **two** reasons for the distribution of volcanoes.

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(g) Study Figure 3c in the Resource Booklet.

Analyse the impacts of the volcanic eruption on the environment.

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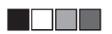
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## SECTION B

## Geographical enquiry

Answer ONE question from this section.

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If you answer Question 4, put a cross in the box ☒ .

**4 Investigating river environments**

A group of students has undertaken an enquiry that investigated changes within a river channel along its course.

(a) (i) Identify **one** piece of equipment used to measure gradient.

(1)

- A calliper
- B clinometer
- C compass
- D quadrat

(ii) State **one** risk the students should have prepared for when carrying out their river fieldwork.

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- (b) Study Figure 4a in the Resource Booklet. It shows some data about the average channel depth at the 10 sites where data was collected.

Calculate the range in river depth.

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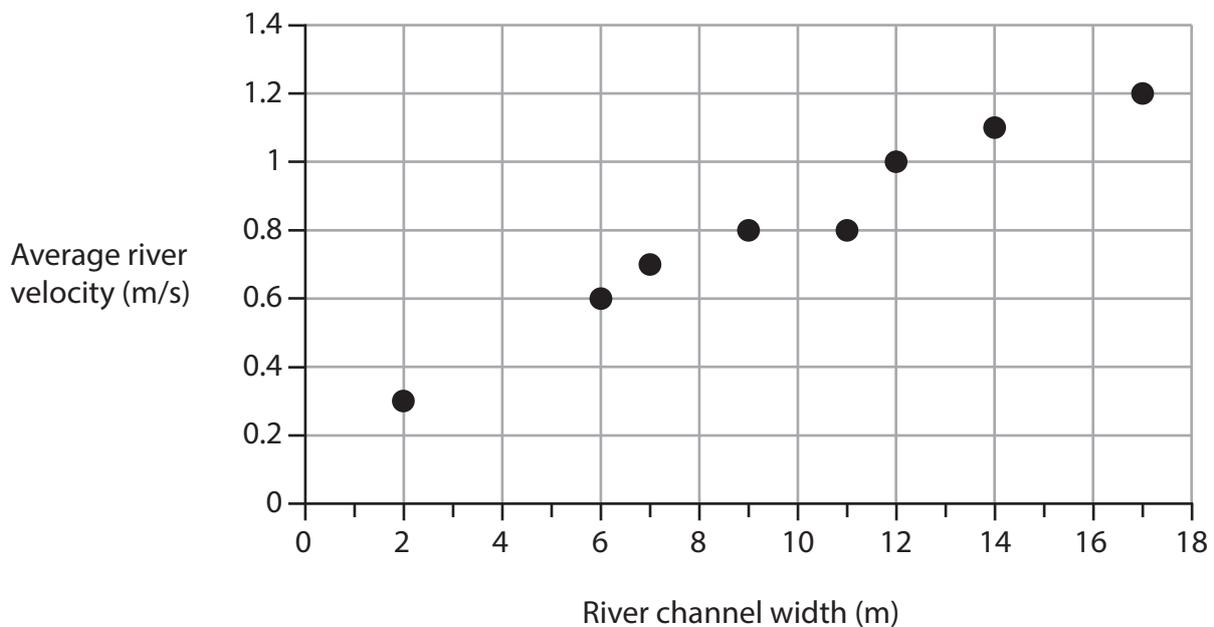
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- (c) (i) Study Figure 4b in the Resource Booklet.

Plot the data for sites 1 and 3, from Figure 4b (shown in the Resource Booklet), on Figure 4c (below).

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**Figure 4c**

**Relationship between river width and average velocity**

- (ii) Draw a line of best fit on Figure 4c.

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(iii) Suggest **one** reason for the relationship shown on Figure 4c.

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(d) Explain **one other** primary data collection method students might have found useful in their river enquiry.

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If you answer Question 5, put a cross in the box .

### 5 Investigating coastal environments

A group of students has undertaken an enquiry that investigated beach characteristics along a stretch of coastline.

(a) (i) Identify **one** piece of equipment used to measure gradient.

(1)

- A** calliper
- B** clinometer
- C** compass
- D** quadrat

(ii) State **one** risk the students should have prepared for when carrying out their coastal fieldwork.

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(b) Study Figure 5a in the Resource Booklet. It shows some data about the pebble length for 10 pebbles measured at site 2.

Calculate the range in sediment size at site 2.

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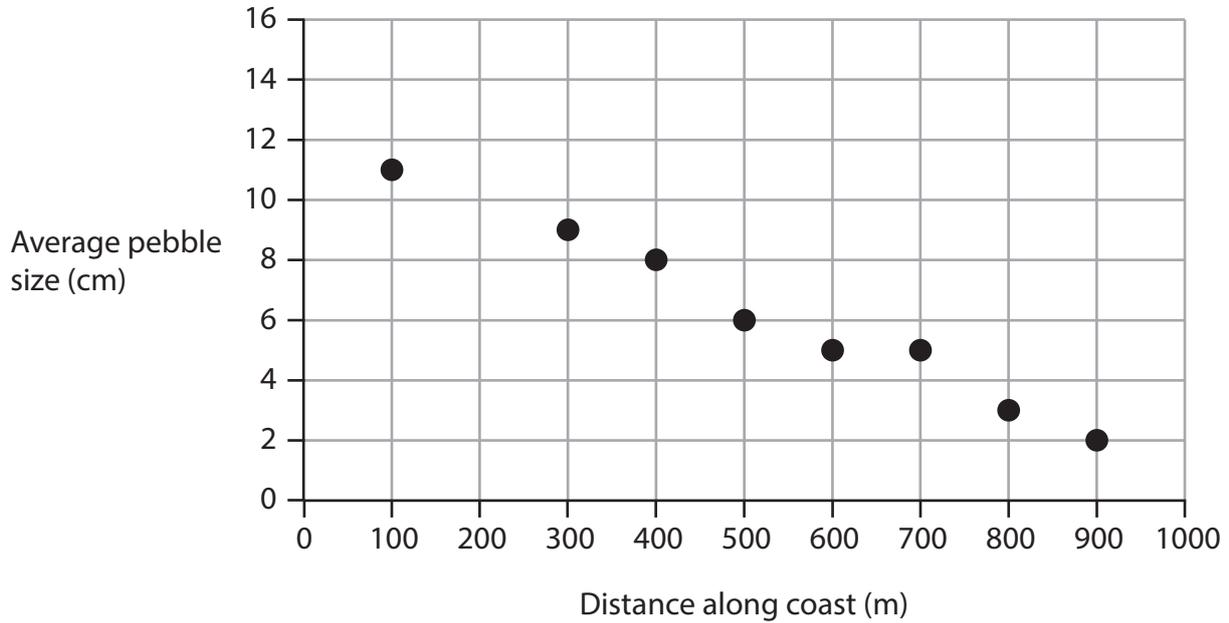
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(c) (i) Study Figure 5b in the Resource Booklet.

Plot the data for sites 1 and 3, from Figure 5b (shown in the Resource Booklet), on Figure 5c (below).

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**Figure 5c**

**Relationship between distance along the coast and average pebble size**

(ii) Draw a line of best fit on Figure 5c.

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(iii) Suggest **one** reason for the relationship shown on Figure 5c.

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(d) Explain **one other** primary data collection method students might have found useful in their coastal enquiry.

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If you answer Question 6, put a cross in the box .

## 6 Investigating hazardous environments

A group of students has undertaken an enquiry that investigated changes in the weather as part of their studies into hazardous environments.

(a) (i) Identify **one** piece of equipment used to measure air pressure. (1)

- A barometer
- B clinometer
- C compass
- D thermometer

(ii) State **one** risk the students should have prepared for when carrying out their hazardous environment fieldwork. (1)

(b) Study Figure 6a in the Resource Booklet. It shows some data about the average temperature at the 10 sites where data was collected.

Calculate the range in temperature.

You **must** show all your working in the space below. (2)

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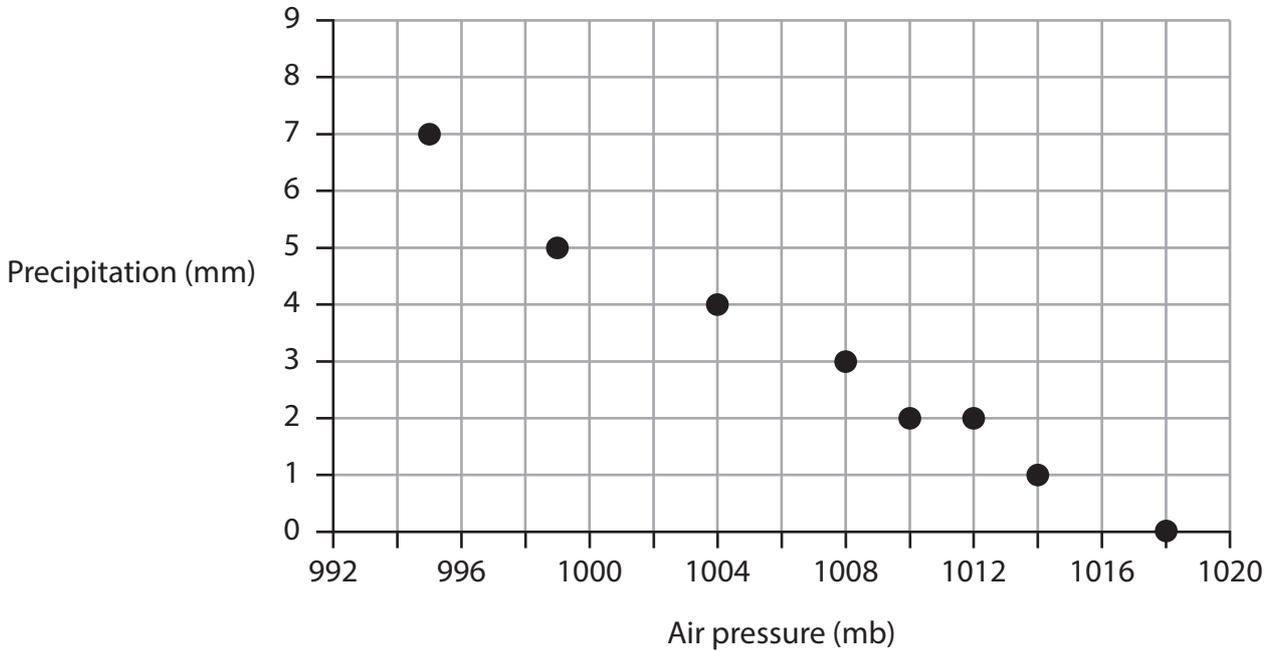


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(c) (i) Study Figure 6b in the Resource Booklet.

Plot the data for sites 1 and 3, from Figure 6b (shown in the Resource Booklet), on Figure 6c (below).

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**Figure 6c**

**Relationship between air pressure and precipitation**

(ii) Draw a line of best fit on Figure 6c.

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(iii) Suggest **one** reason for the relationship shown on Figure 6c.

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(d) Explain **one other** primary data collection method students might have found useful in their weather enquiry.

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**TOTAL FOR PAPER = 70 MARKS**



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## **Geography**

### **PAPER 1: Physical geography**

#### **Resource Booklet**

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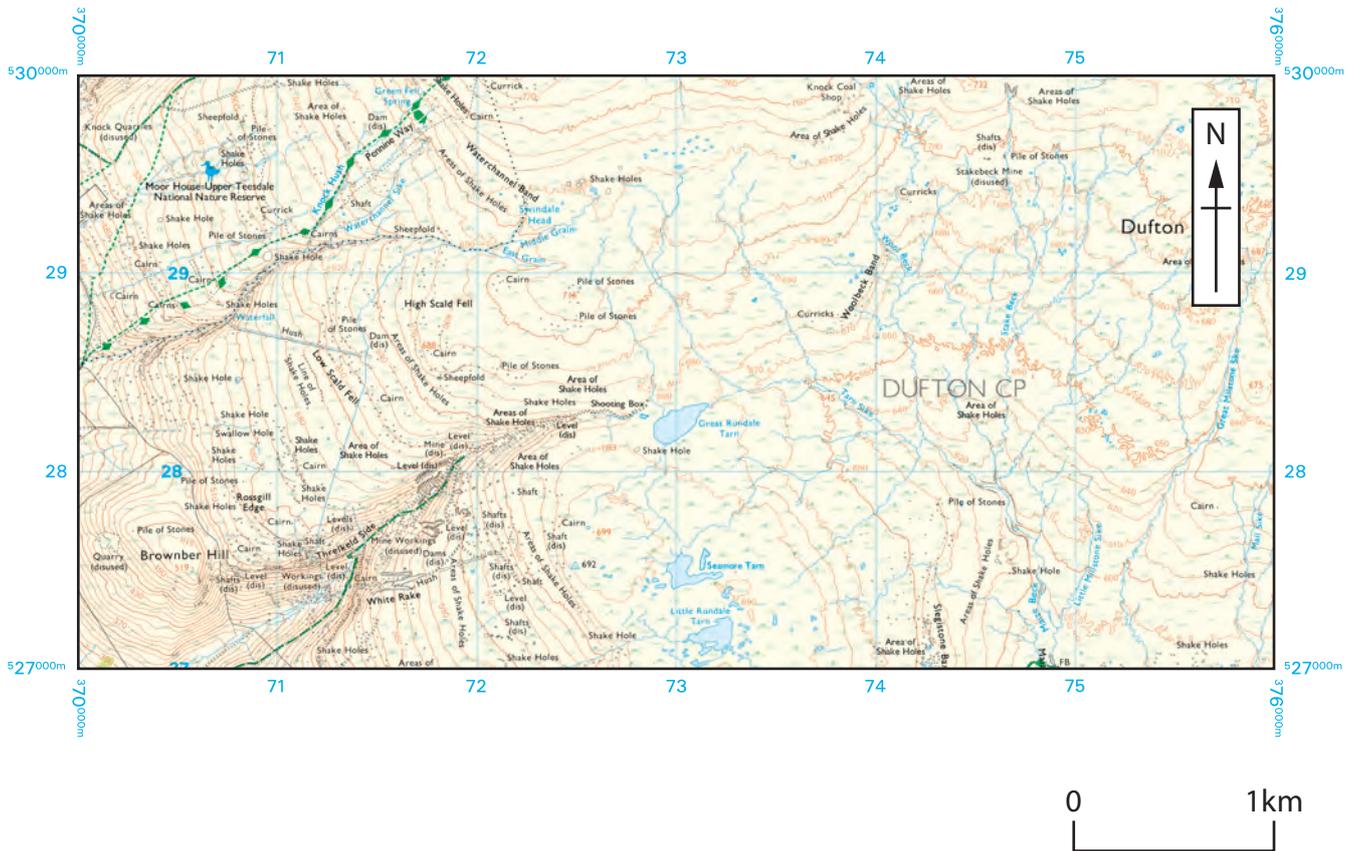
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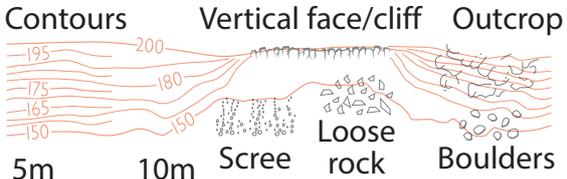


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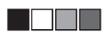
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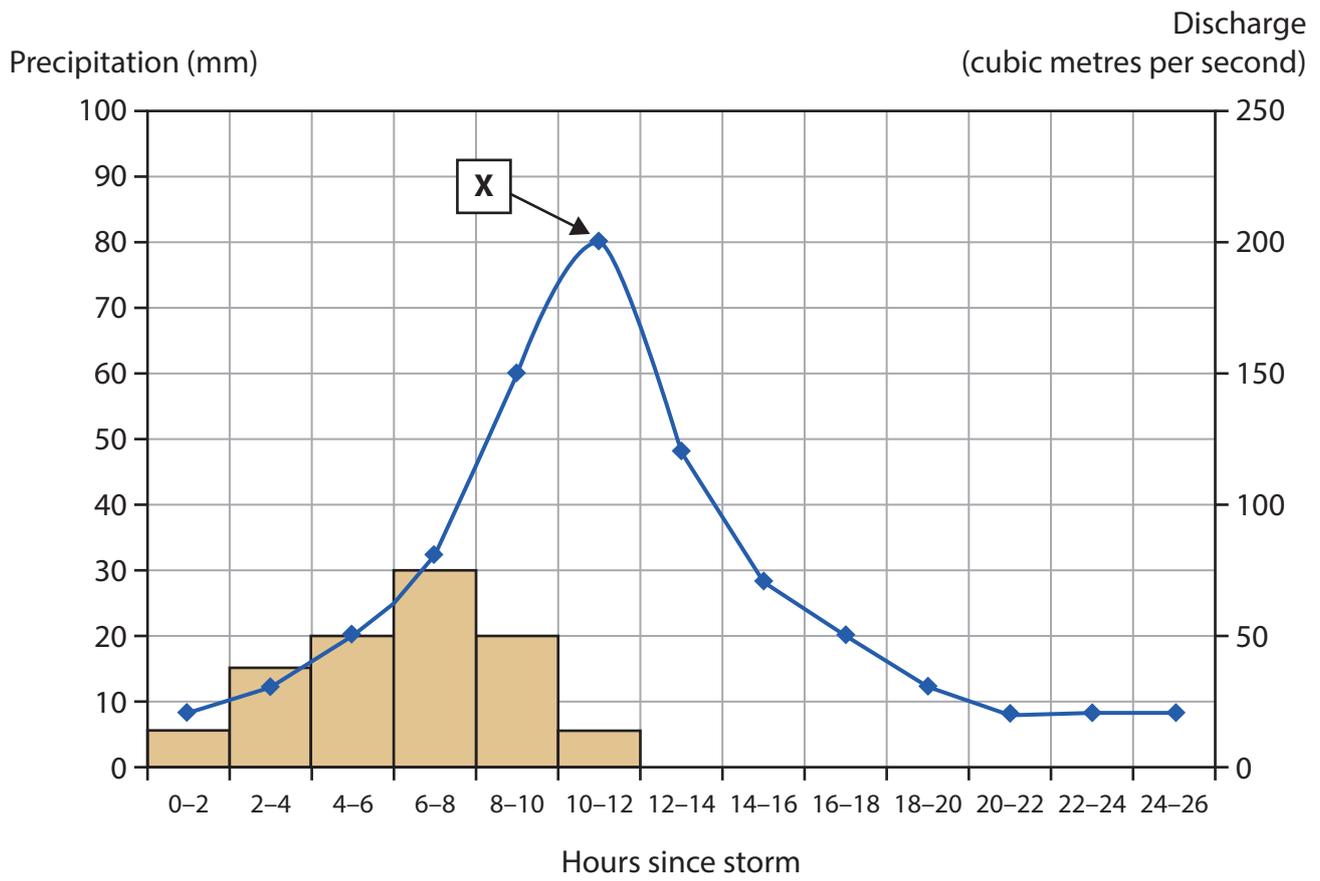


- Footpath
- 52 · Ground survey height
- National Trail
- Recreational route
- Water; mud
- Marsh, reeds or saltings
- Bracken, heath or rough grassland

**Figure 1a**

**OS map of an upland river landscape**





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Precipitation



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**Figure 1b**  
**Storm hydrograph**



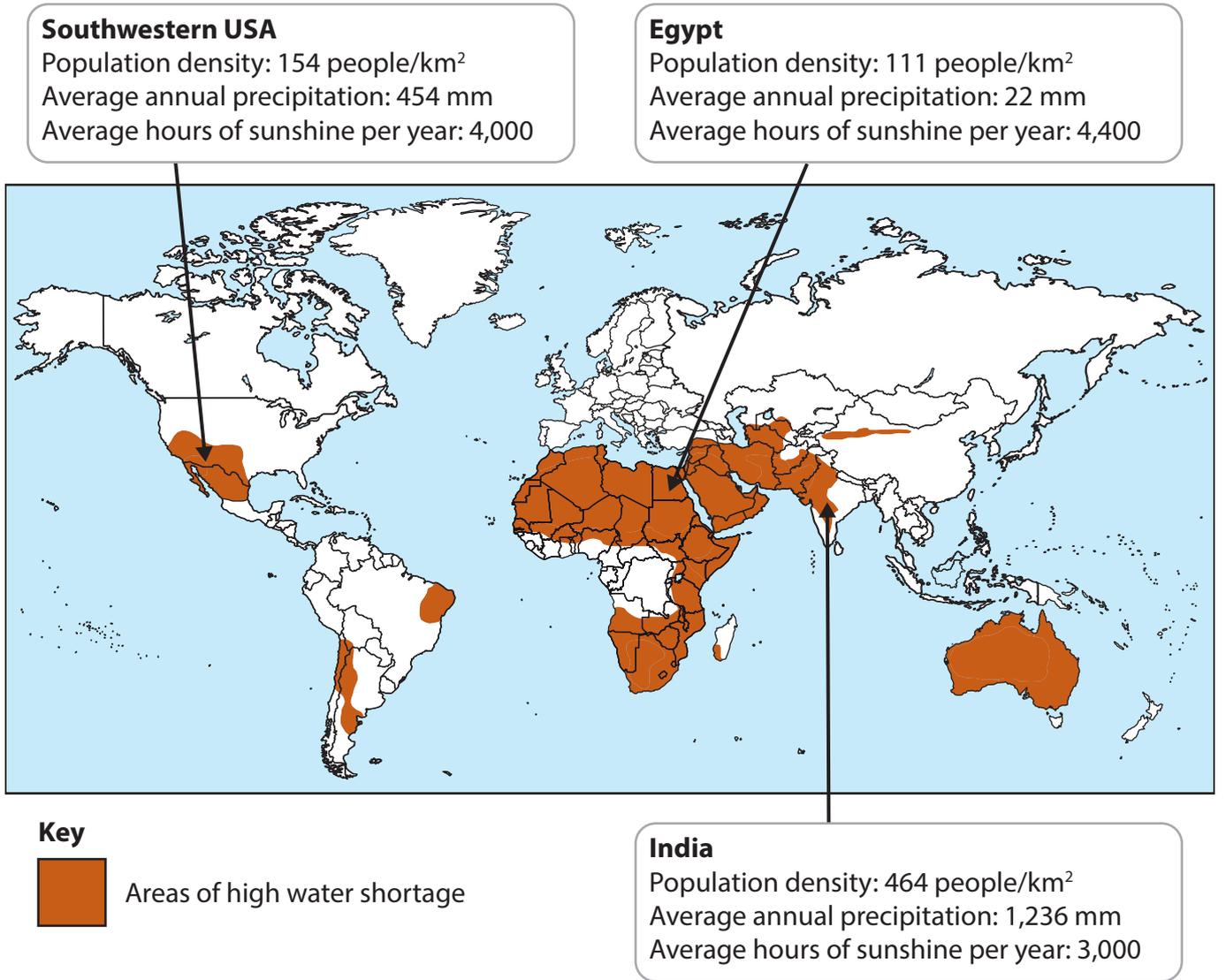


Figure 1c

Areas of water shortage and selected data



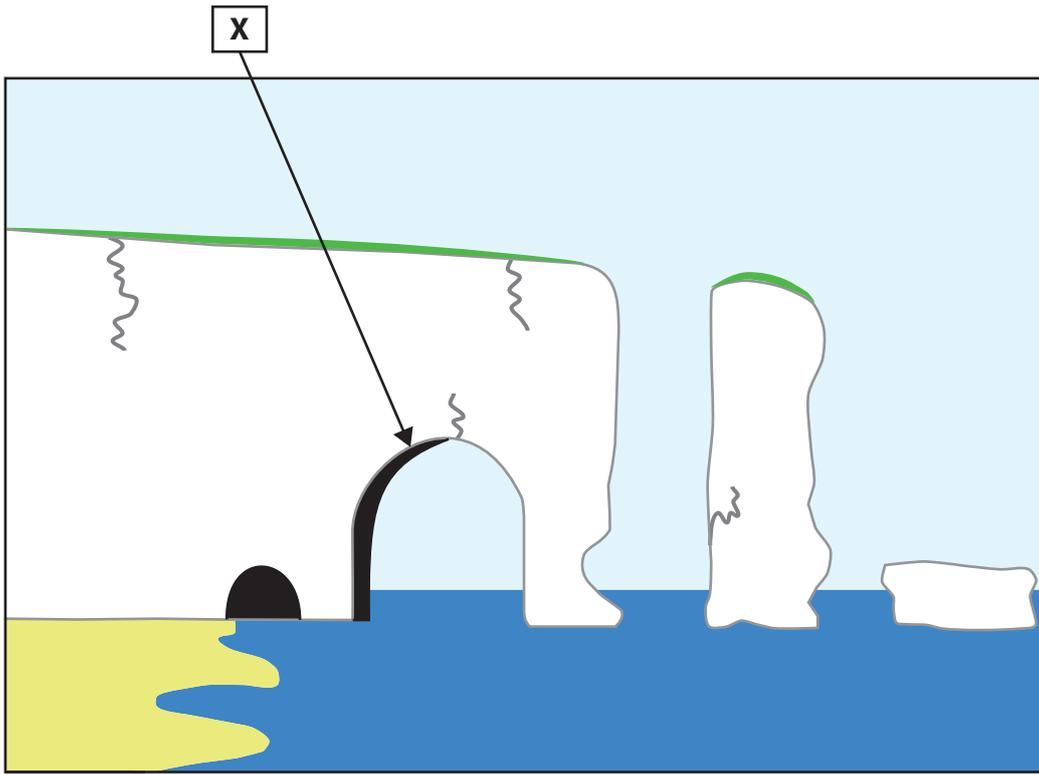


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|  | Camp site or Caravan site                    | Sch | School                        |
|  | Parking / Park and ride, all year / seasonal | +   | Place of worship              |
|  | Recreational route                           |     | - with tower                  |
|  | Water; mud                                   |     | - with spire, minaret or dome |
|  |  |     | Beacon                        |

**Figure 2a**

**OS map extract showing a coastal landscape**



**Figure 2b**  
**Coastal landforms**

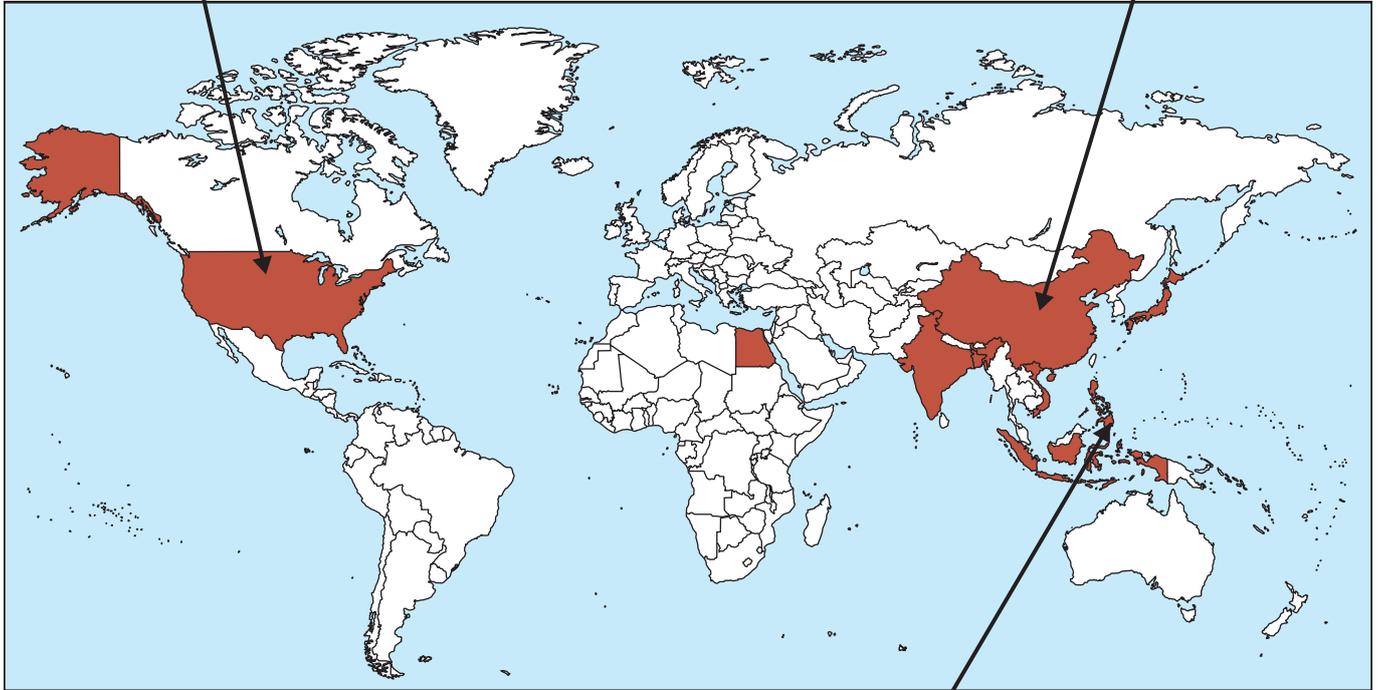


**USA**

Total number of people living in low-lying coastal areas: 34 million  
Percentage of total urban population living in low-lying urban areas: 61.4%  
Recorded storm surges in 21st century: 21

**China**

Total number of people living in low-lying coastal areas: 204 million  
Percentage of total urban population living in low-lying urban areas: 18.1%  
Recorded storm surges in 21st century: 392



**Key**

 Countries with large populations living in low-lying coastal areas

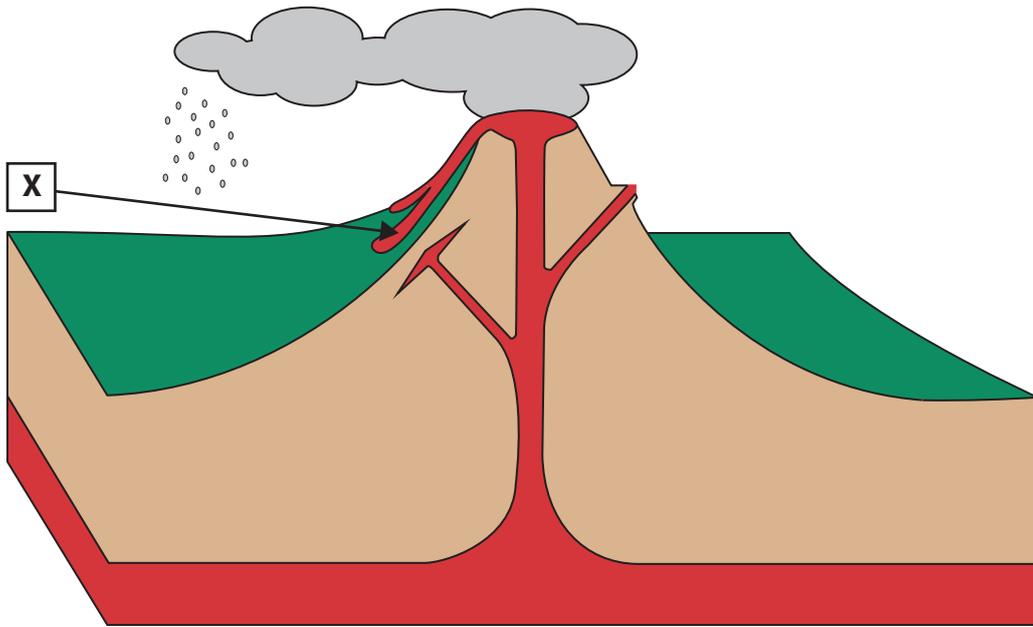
**Philippines**

Total number of people living in low-lying coastal areas: 23.8 million  
Percentage of total urban population living in low-lying urban areas: 11.9%  
Recorded storm surges in 21st century: 154

**Figure 2c**

**Countries with a large population living in low-lying coastal areas and selected data**

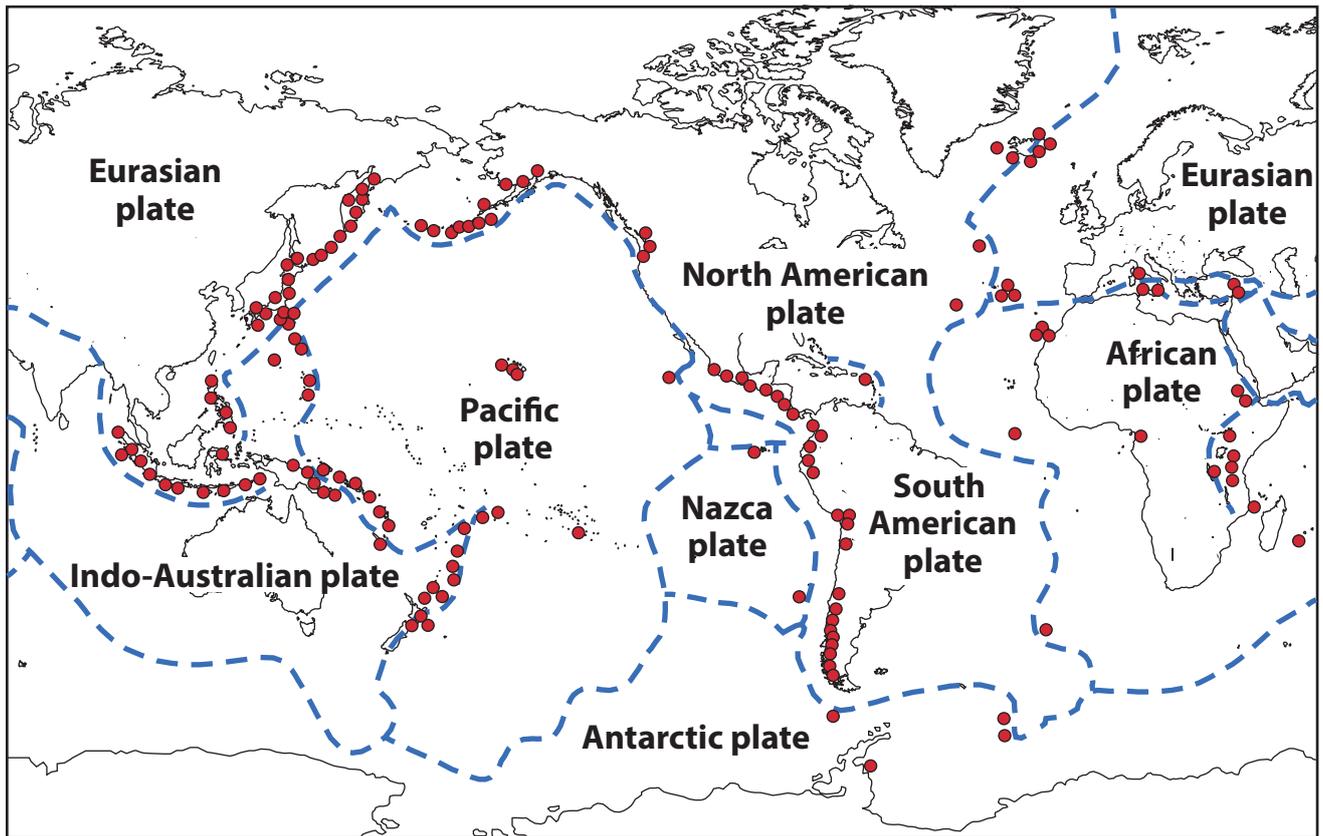




**Figure 3a**

**Features of a volcanic eruption**





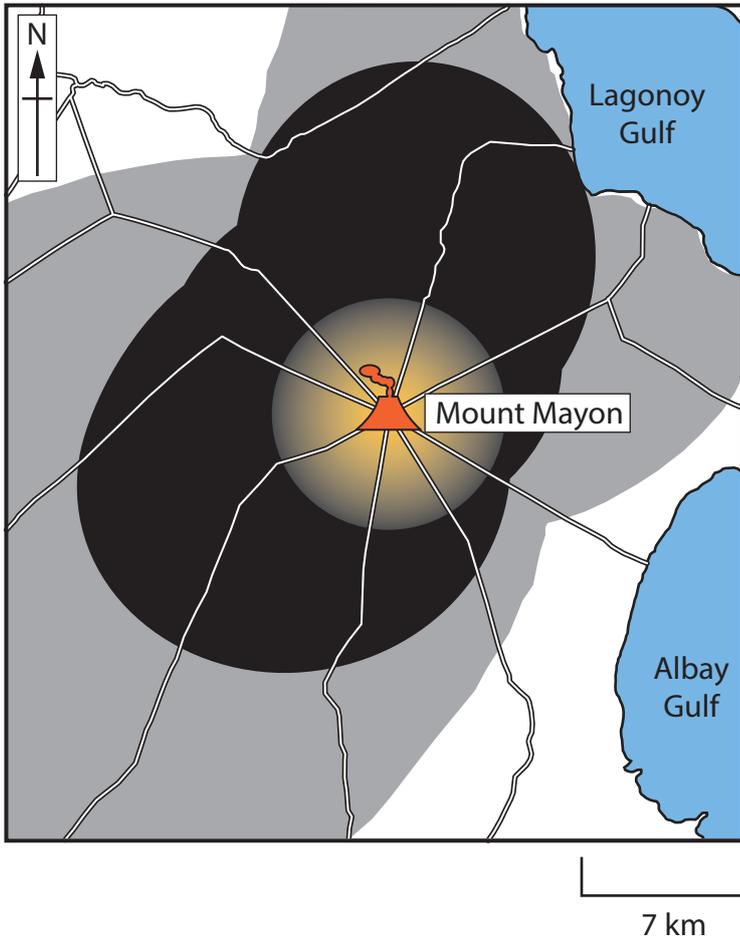
**Key**

- Volcano
- - - Plate boundaries

**Figure 3b**

**Global distribution of volcanoes**





Area covered by ash after the Mount Mayon eruption, Philippines, January 2018

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- Highly prone to ash fall
- Moderately prone to ash fall
- Least prone to ash fall



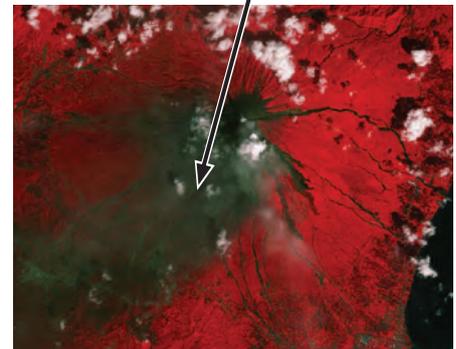
Water pollution at base of Mount Mayon

29 rivers around the volcano were silted with volcanic ash making the water unsafe to drink and irritating animal skin.



Farming at base of Mount Mayon

US\$3.3 million of crops were destroyed affecting 9,800 farmers and covering 7,100 hectares.



Vegetation cover after eruption (Red – vegetation cover / Green destroyed vegetation)

Lava flowed up to 3 km from the crater destroying large areas of vegetation in the National Park which has 239 vegetation species.

Figure 3c

Selected impacts from Mount Mayon eruption, Philippines, January 2018



Site	Average river channel depth (cm)
1	12
2	5
3	14
4	23
5	41
6	36
7	47
8	51
9	50
10	63

**Figure 4a**

**Average river depth data for each site**

Site	River width (m)	Average river velocity (m/s)
<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0.2</b>
2	2	0.3
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0.4</b>
4	6	0.6
5	7	0.7
6	9	0.8
7	11	0.8
8	12	1.0
9	14	1.1
10	17	1.2

**Figure 4b**

**River width and average velocity data for each site**

Sample	Pebble length (cm)
1	6
2	11
3	16
4	9
5	15
6	12
7	17
8	4
9	8
10	13

**Figure 5a****Pebble sizes for Site 2**

Site	Distance along coast (m)	Average pebble length (cm)
<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>
2	100	11
<b>3</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>10</b>
4	300	9
5	400	8
6	500	6
7	600	5
8	700	5
9	800	3
10	900	2

**Figure 5b****Average pebble length along 900 m stretch of coastline**

Site	Average temperature (°C)
1	12
2	18
3	22
4	24
5	24
6	23
7	19
8	17
9	14
10	13

**Figure 6a****Average temperature for each site**

Site	Air pressure (mb)	Precipitation (mm)
<b>1</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>8</b>
2	995	7
<b>3</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>6</b>
4	999	5
5	1004	4
6	1008	3
7	1010	2
8	1012	2
9	1014	1
10	1018	0

**Figure 6b****Air pressure and precipitation for each site**

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