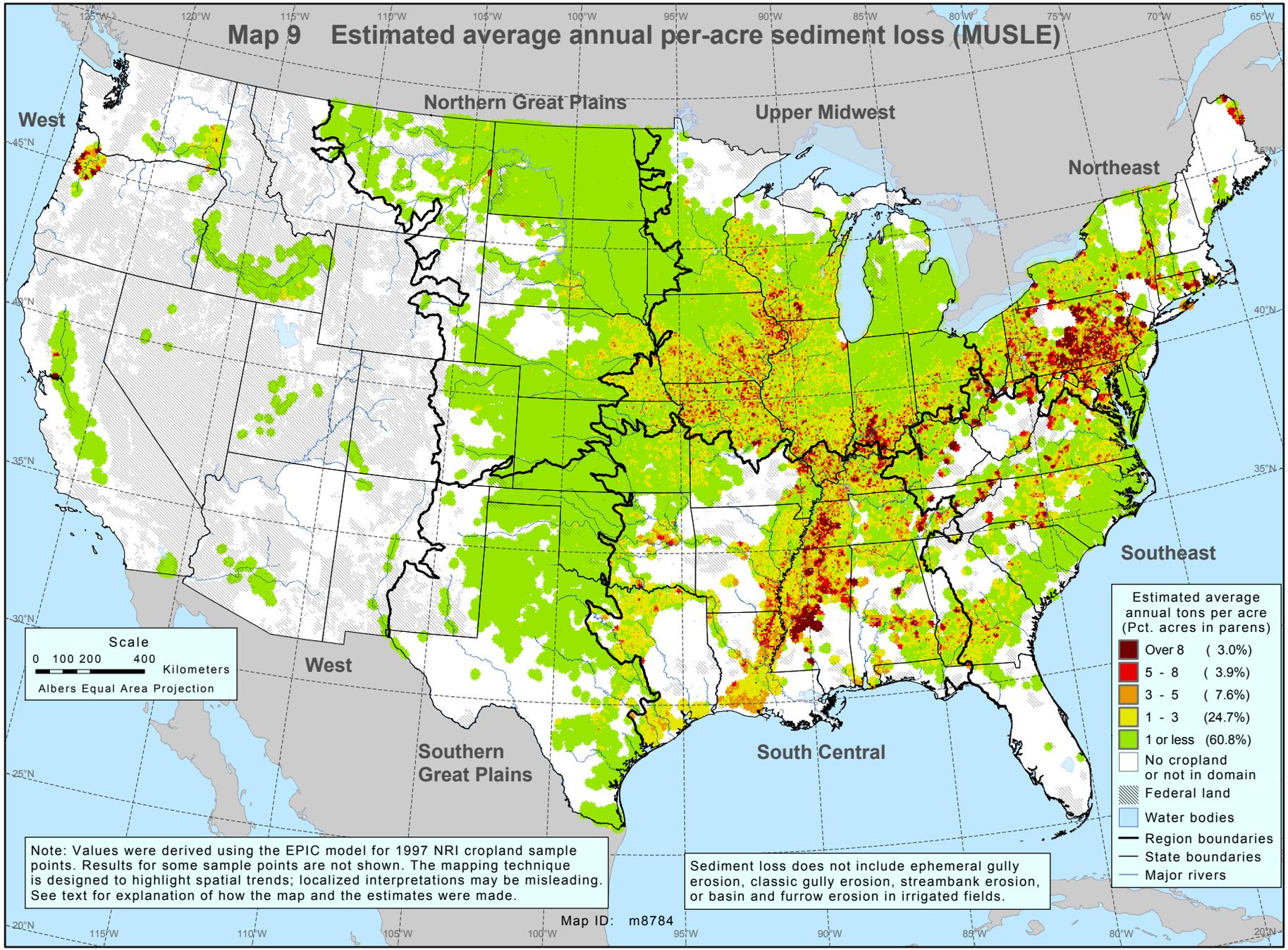


Map 9 Estimated average annual per-acre sediment loss (MUSLE)



Estimated average annual tons per acre (Pct. acres in parens)	
Over 8	(3.0%)
5 - 8	(3.9%)
3 - 5	(7.6%)
1 - 3	(24.7%)
1 or less	(60.8%)
No cropland or not in domain	
Federal land	
Water bodies	
Region boundaries	
State boundaries	
Major rivers	

Scale
0 100 200 400 Kilometers
Albers Equal Area Projection

Note: Values were derived using the EPIC model for 1997 NRI cropland sample points. Results for some sample points are not shown. The mapping technique is designed to highlight spatial trends; localized interpretations may be misleading. See text for explanation of how the map and the estimates were made.

Sediment loss does not include ephemeral gully erosion, classic gully erosion, streambank erosion, or basin and furrow erosion in irrigated fields.

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