

Theme	Source	Dataset Title	Variable Name	Variable Type	Reference Period	Resolution	Description	Web
Distance	LSMS-ISA	IHS3 GPS Coordinates	dist_hh	Continuous	N/A	N/A	Plot distance to household	
Distance	NRA	IHS3 GPS Coordinates and Malawi Roads	dist_road	Continuous	N/A	N/A	Household distance to nearest major road (primary and secondary network)	
Distance	World Gazeteer Towns	IHS3 GPS Coordinates and Towns	dist_popcenter	Continuous	N/A	N/A	Household distance to nearest town of > 20,000 pop	
Distance	MoAFS Tech Sec	IHS3 GPS Coordinates and ADMARC Location	dist_admarc	Continuous	N/A	N/A	Household distance to nearest major market (ADMARC locations)	
Distance	World Gazeteer Towns	IHS3 GPS Coordinates and Tobacco Auction Floors	dist_auction	Continuous	N/A	N/A	Household distance to nearest tobacco auction	
Distance	IFPRI	IHS3 GPS Coordinates and Border Posts	dist_borderpost	Continuous	N/A	N/A	Household distance to nearest border post	
Distance	World Gazeteer Towns	IHS3 GPS Coordinates and Towns	dist_boma	Continuous	N/A	N/A	Household distance to the boma of the district of residence	
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_1	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Average annual temperature calculated from monthly climatology, multiplied by 10 (°C)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_2	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Average diurnal range (Mean of Max Temp - Min Temp), calculated from monthly climatology	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_3	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Isothermality, defined as [(bio_2/bio_7)*100]	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim

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Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_4	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Temperature seasonality, standard deviation of monthly climatology, multiplied by 100.	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_5	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Maximum temperature of the warmest month, from monthly climatology, multiplied by 10. (°C)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_6	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Minimum temperature of the coldest month, from monthly climatology, multiplied by 10. (°C)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_7	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Temperature annual range, defined as (bio_5-bio_6)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_8	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Average temperature of the wettest quarter, from monthly climatology, multiplied by 10. (°C)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_9	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Average temperature of the driest quarter, from monthly climatology, multiplied by 10. (°C)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim

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Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_10	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Average temperature of the warmest quarter, from monthly climatology, multiplied by 10. (°C)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_11	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Average temperature of the coldest quarter, from monthly climatology, multiplied by 10. (°C)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_12	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Total annual precipitation, from monthly climatology (mm)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_13	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Precipitation of wettest month, from monthly climatology (mm)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_14	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Precipitation of driest month, from monthly climatology (mm)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_15	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Coefficient of Variation of precipitation, from monthly climatology	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Climatology	UC Berkeley	WorldClim Bioclimatic Variables	bio_16	Continuous	1960-1990	0.008333 dd	Precipitation of wettest quarter, from monthly climatology (mm)	http://www.worldclim.org/bioclim
Landscape Typology	ESA and UC Louvain	GlobCover v 2.3	fsrad3_lcmaj	Categorical	2009	0.002778 dd	Majority landcover class within approximately 1km buffer	http://ionial.esrin.esa.int/

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Landscape Typology	ESA and UC Louvain	GlobCover v 2.3	fsrad3_agpct	Continuous	2009	0.002778 dd	Percent under agriculture within approx 1 km buffer	http://ionia1.esrin.esa.int/
Landscape Typology	IFPRI	IFPRI standardized AEZ based on elevation, climatology	ssa_aez09	Categorical		0.008333 dd	Agro-ecological zones created using WorldClim climate data and 0.0833dd resolution LGP data from IIASA.	http://harvestchoice.org/production/biophysical/agroecology
Soil & Terrain	NASA	SRTM 90m	srtm_eaf	Continuous		0.000833 dd	Elevation (m)	ftp://xftp.jrc.it/pub/srtmV4/asci/
Soil & Terrain	USGS	Slope (percent)	afmnslp_pct	Continuous		0.008333 dd	Derived from 90m SRTM	http://pubs.usgs.gov/of/2007/1188/ , data provided by USGS upon request
Soil & Terrain	AfSIS	Topographic Wetness Index	twi_mwi	Continuous		0.000833 dd	Derived from modified 90m SRTM. Local upslope contributing area and slope are combined to determine the potential wetness index: $WI = \ln(A_s / \tan(b))$ where A _s is flow accumulation or effective drainage area and b is slope gradient.	http://www.ciesin.columbia.edu/afsis/bafsis_fullmap.htm#
Soil & Terrain	LSMS-ISA	Terrain Roughness	srtm_eaf_5_15	Categorical		0.000833 dd	Derived from 90m SRTM using Meybeck relief classes and 5x5 pixel neighborhood	
Soil & Terrain	FAO	Harmonized World Soil Database	SQ1	Categorical		0.083333 dd	Nutrient availability	http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/LUC/External-World-soil-database/HTML/

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Soil & Terrain	FAO	Harmonized World Soil Database	SQ2	Categorical		0.083333 dd	Nutrient retention capacity	http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/LUC/External-World-soil-database/HTML/
Soil & Terrain	FAO	Harmonized World Soil Database	SQ3	Categorical		0.083333 dd	Rooting conditions	http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/LUC/External-World-soil-database/HTML/
Soil & Terrain	FAO	Harmonized World Soil Database	SQ4	Categorical		0.083333 dd	Oxygen availability to roots	http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/LUC/External-World-soil-database/HTML/
Soil & Terrain	FAO	Harmonized World Soil Database	SQ5	Categorical		0.083333 dd	Excess salts	http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/LUC/External-World-soil-database/HTML/
Soil & Terrain	FAO	Harmonized World Soil Database	SQ6	Categorical		0.083333 dd	Toxicity	http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/LUC/External-World-soil-database/HTML/
Soil & Terrain	FAO	Harmonized World Soil Database	SQ7	Categorical		0.083333 dd	Workability (constraining field management)	http://www.iiasa.ac.at/Research/LUC/External-World-soil-database/HTML/
Crop Season Parameters	NOAA CPC	Rainfall Estimates (RFE)	anntot_avg	Continuous	2001-2011	0.1 dd	Average 12-month total rainfall (mm) for July-June	ftp://ftp.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/fe ws/newalgo_est_dekad/
Crop Season Parameters	NOAA CPC	Rainfall Estimates (RFE)	wetQ_avg	Continuous	2001-2011	0.1 dd	Average total rainfall in wettest quarter (mm) within 12-month periods from July-June	ftp://ftp.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/fe ws/newalgo_est_dekad/
Crop Season Parameters	NOAA CPC	Rainfall Estimates (RFE)	wetQ_avgstart	Continuous	2001-2011	0.1 dd	Average start of wettest quarter in dekads 1-36, where first dekad of July =1	ftp://ftp.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/fe ws/newalgo_est_dekad/
Crop Season Parameters	NOAA CPC	Rainfall Estimates (RFE)	h2009_tot	Continuous	2008-2009	0.1 dd	12-month total rainfall (mm) in July-June, starting July 2008	ftp://ftp.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/fe ws/newalgo_est_dekad/

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Crop Season Parameters	BU	MOD12Q2 (DOY 185) Land Cover Dynamics from MODIS	eviarea_avg	Continuous	2001-2010	0.004176 dd	Average total change in greenness (integral of daily EVI values) within primary growing season, averaged by district	ftp://e4ftl01.cr.usgs.gov/MOTA/MCD12Q2.005, DOY185 version provided upon request from MODIS Land Cover Group at Boston University
Crop Season Parameters	BU	MOD12Q2 (DOY 185) Land Cover Dynamics from MODIS	grn_avg	Continuous	2001-2010	0.004176 dd	Average timing of onset of greenness increase in day of year 1-356, where Jul 1 = 1, averaged by district	ftp://e4ftl01.cr.usgs.gov/MOTA/MCD12Q2.005, DOY185 version provided upon request from MODIS Land Cover Group at Boston University

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Crop Season Parameters	BU	MOD12Q2 (DOY 185) Land Cover Dynamics from MODIS	h2009_area	Continuous	2008-2009	0.004176 dd	Total change in greenness (integral of daily EVI values) within primary growing season for July 2008 - Jun 2009, averaged by district	ftp://e4ftl01.cr.usgs.gov/MOTA/MCD12Q2.005 , DOY185 version provided upon request from MODIS Land Cover Group at Boston University
Crop Season Parameters	BU	MOD12Q2 (DOY 185) Land Cover Dynamics from MODIS	h2009_grn	Continuous	2008-2009	0.004176 dd	Onset of greenness increase in day of year 1-356, starting July 1 2008, averaged by district	ftp://e4ftl01.cr.usgs.gov/MOTA/MCD12Q2.005 , DOY185 version provided upon request from MODIS Land Cover Group at Boston University
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SQ1	0	Ocean
SQ1	1	No or Slight Constraint
SQ1	2	Moderate Constraint
SQ1	3	Severe Constraint
SQ1	4	Very Severe Constraint
SQ1	5	Mainly Non-Soil
SQ1	6	Permafrost
SQ1	7	Water
SQ2	0	Ocean
SQ2	1	No or Slight Constraint
SQ2	2	Moderate Constraint
SQ2	3	Severe Constraint
SQ2	4	Very Severe Constraint
SQ2	5	Mainly Non-Soil
SQ2	6	Permafrost
SQ2	7	Water
SQ3	0	Ocean
SQ3	1	No or Slight Constraint
SQ3	2	Moderate Constraint
SQ3	3	Severe Constraint
SQ3	4	Very Severe Constraint
SQ3	5	Mainly Non-Soil
SQ3	6	Permafrost
SQ3	7	Water
SQ4	0	Ocean
SQ4	1	No or Slight Constraint
SQ4	2	Moderate Constraint
SQ4	3	Severe Constraint
SQ4	4	Very Severe Constraint
SQ4	5	Mainly Non-Soil
SQ4	6	Permafrost
SQ4	7	Water
SQ5	0	Ocean
SQ5	1	No or Slight Constraint
SQ5	2	Moderate Constraint
SQ5	3	Severe Constraint
SQ5	4	Very Severe Constraint
SQ5	5	Mainly Non-Soil
SQ5	6	Permafrost
SQ5	7	Water
SQ6	0	Ocean
SQ6	1	No or Slight Constraint
SQ6	2	Moderate Constraint
SQ6	3	Severe Constraint
SQ6	4	Very Severe Constraint
SQ6	5	Mainly Non-Soil
SQ6	6	Permafrost
SQ6	7	Water
SQ7	0	Ocean
SQ7	1	No or Slight Constraint
SQ7	2	Moderate Constraint

Variable Name	Value	Value Label
SQ7	3	Severe Constraint
SQ7	4	Very Severe Constraint
SQ7	5	Mainly Non-Soil
SQ7	6	Permafrost
SQ7	7	Water
ssa_aez09	101	Temperate / arid
ssa_aez09	102	Temperate / Semi-arid
ssa_aez09	103	Temperate / sub-humid
ssa_aez09	104	Temperate / humid
ssa_aez09	211	Subtropic - warm / arid
ssa_aez09	212	Subtropic - warm / semiarid
ssa_aez09	213	Subtropic - warm / subhumid
ssa_aez09	214	Subtropic - warm / humid
ssa_aez09	221	Subtropic - cool / arid
ssa_aez09	222	Subtropic - cool / semiarid
ssa_aez09	223	Subtropic - cool / subhumid
ssa_aez09	224	Subtropic - cool / humid
ssa_aez09	311	Tropic - warm / arid
ssa_aez09	312	Tropic - warm / semiarid
ssa_aez09	313	Tropic - warm / subhumid
ssa_aez09	314	Tropic - warm / humid
ssa_aez09	321	Tropic - cool / arid
ssa_aez09	322	Tropic - cool / semiarid
ssa_aez09	323	Tropic - cool / subhumid
ssa_aez09	324	Tropic - cool / humid
ssa_aez09	400	Boreal
fsrad3_lcmaj	11	Post-flooding or irrigated croplands (or aquatic)
fsrad3_lcmaj	14	Rainfed croplands
fsrad3_lcmaj	20	Mosaic cropland (50-70%) / vegetation (grassland/shrubland/forest) (20-50%)
fsrad3_lcmaj	30	Mosaic vegetation (grassland/shrubland/forest) (50-70%) / cropland (20-50%)
fsrad3_lcmaj	40	Closed to open (>15%) broadleaved evergreen or semi-deciduous forest (>5m)
fsrad3_lcmaj	50	Closed (>40%) broadleaved deciduous forest (>5m)
fsrad3_lcmaj	60	Open (15-40%) broadleaved deciduous forest/woodland >5m)
fsrad3_lcmaj	70	Closed (>40%) needleleaved evergreen forest (>5m)
fsrad3_lcmaj	90	Open (15-40%) needleleaved deciduous or evergreen forest (>5m)
fsrad3_lcmaj	100	Closed to open (>15%) mixed broadleaved and needleleaved forest (>5m)
fsrad3_lcmaj	110	Mosaic forest or shrubland (50-70%) / grassland (20-50%)
fsrad3_lcmaj	120	Mosaic grassland (50-70%) / forest or shrubland (20-50%)
fsrad3_lcmaj	130	Closed to open (>15%) (broadleaved or needleleaved, evergreen or deciduous) shrubland (<5m)
fsrad3_lcmaj	140	Closed to open (>15%) herbaceous vegetation (grassland, savannas or lichens/mosses)
fsrad3_lcmaj	150	Sparse (<15%) vegetation

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fsrad3_lcmaj	160	Closed to open (>15%) broadleaved forest regularly flooded (semi-permanently or temporarily) - Fresh or brackish water
fsrad3_lcmaj	170	Closed (>40%) broadleaved forest or shrubland permanently flooded - Saline or brackish water
fsrad3_lcmaj	180	Closed to open (>15%) grassland or woody vegetation on regularly flooded or waterlogged soil - Fresh, brackish or saline water
fsrad3_lcmaj	190	Artificial surfaces and associated areas (Urban areas >50%)
fsrad3_lcmaj	200	Bare areas
fsrad3_lcmaj	210	Water bodies
fsrad3_lcmaj	220	Permanent snow and ice
fsrad3_lcmaj	230	No data (burnt areas, clouds,...)
srtm_eaf_5_15	1	Plains
srtm_eaf_5_15	2	Mid-altitude plains
srtm_eaf_5_15	3	High-altitude plains
srtm_eaf_5_15	4	Lowlands
srtm_eaf_5_15	5	Rugged lowlands
srtm_eaf_5_15	6	Platforms (very low plateaus)
srtm_eaf_5_15	7	Low plateaus
srtm_eaf_5_15	8	Mid-altitude plateaus
srtm_eaf_5_15	9	High plateaus
srtm_eaf_5_15	10	Very high plateaus
srtm_eaf_5_15	11	Hills
srtm_eaf_5_15	12	Low mountains
srtm_eaf_5_15	13	Mid altitude mountains
srtm_eaf_5_15	14	High mountains
srtm_eaf_5_15	15	Very high mountains