

Bärkraftiga mat- och fibersystem

Föreläsning II

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Innehåll:

- Karakteristika hos de globala fibersystemen (virke, papper, textilier, etc)
- Strategier för mer bärkraftiga fibersystem

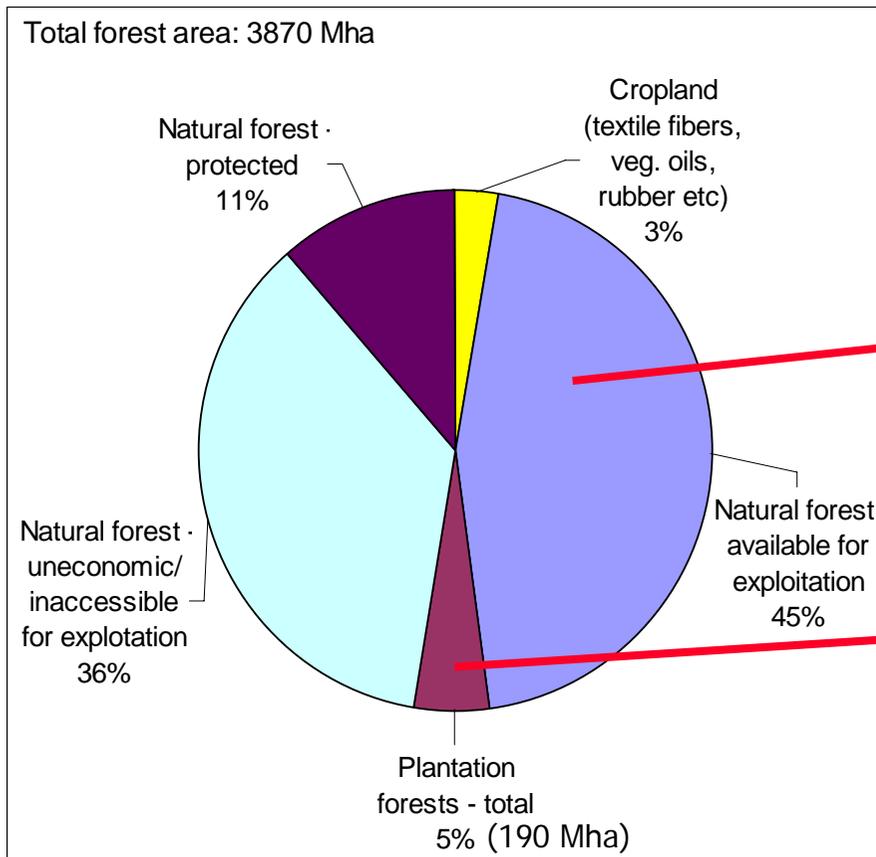
Overview of present global land and biomass use for food, fiber and energy

	<u>Land area use</u>	<u>Biomass use (harvested/grazed)</u>
Food:	5.1 Gha	~ 10 Pg DM/yr (180 EJ)
Fiber:	~ 2 Gha (approx. used forest area)	~ 0.9 Pg DM/yr (18 EJ)
Energy:	Small dedicated use in energy plantations (~0.01 Gha)	~ 2-2.5 Pg DM/yr (35-50 EJ) (includes 20-40 EJ of residues from the food and fiber systems)

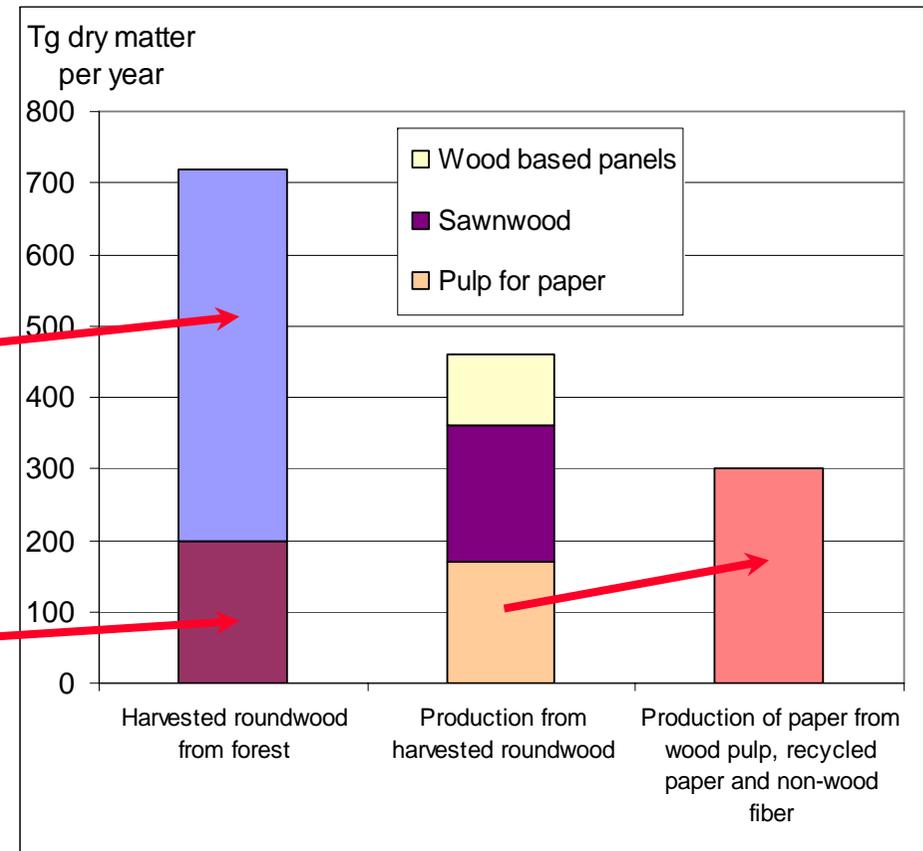
For comparison: Use of fossilized biomass (coal, oil and gas) is about 300 EJ/year

Fiber: Land use and biomass flows in global fiber systems (data for 2000)

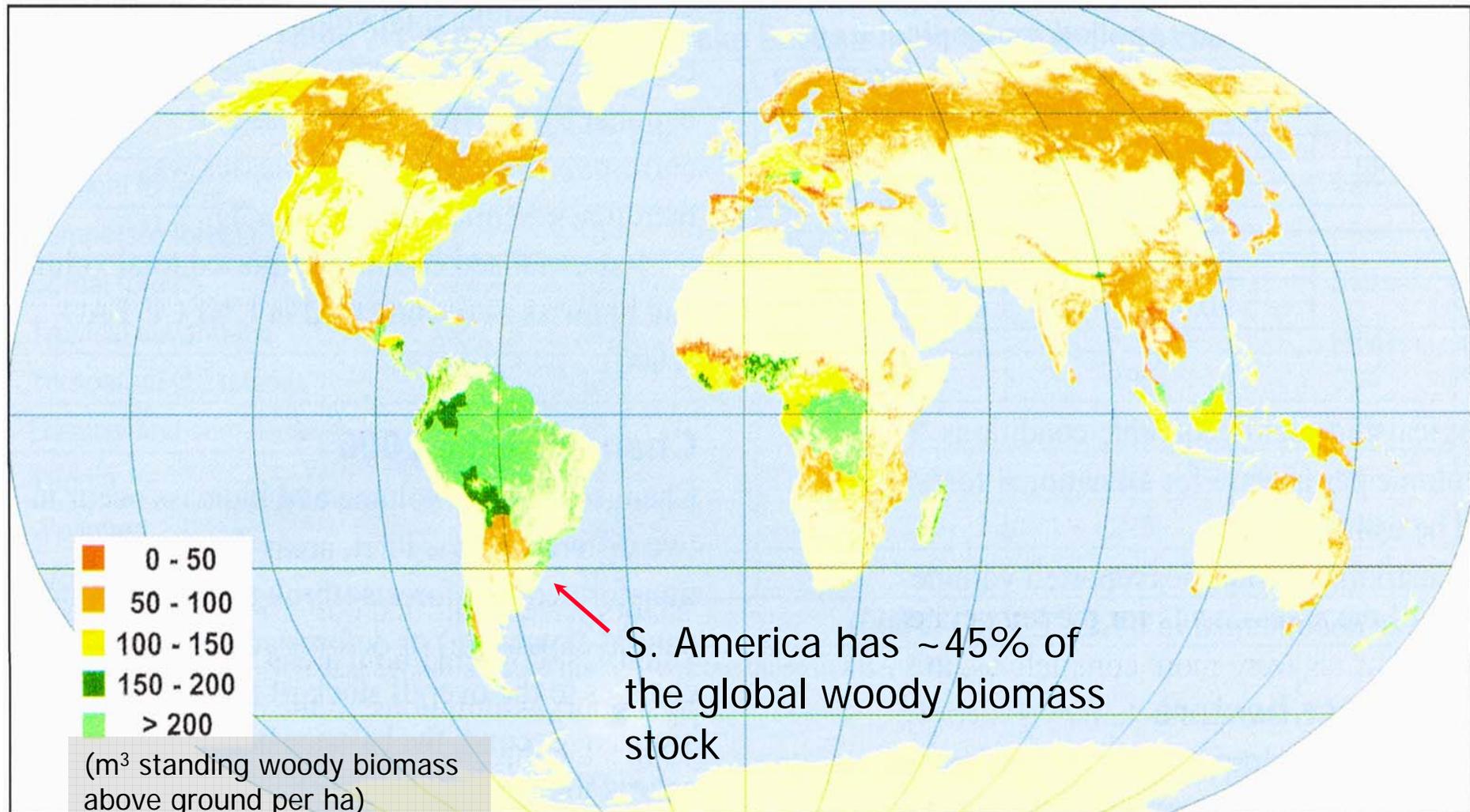
Use of forest and cropland area for fiber production:



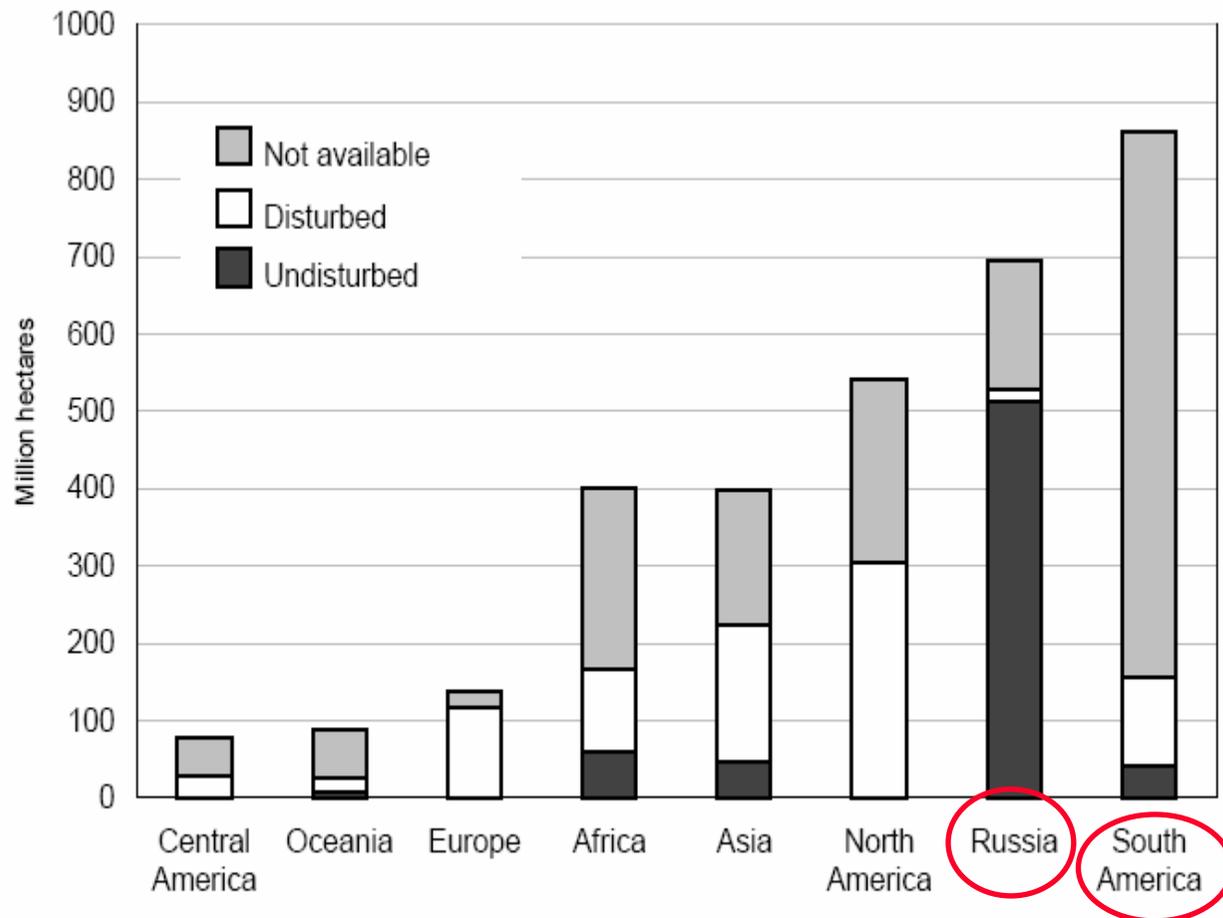
Production of wood-based materials:



Major characteristic of the wood fiber system:
I. Very large regional differences in **stock** and **productivity** of woody biomass

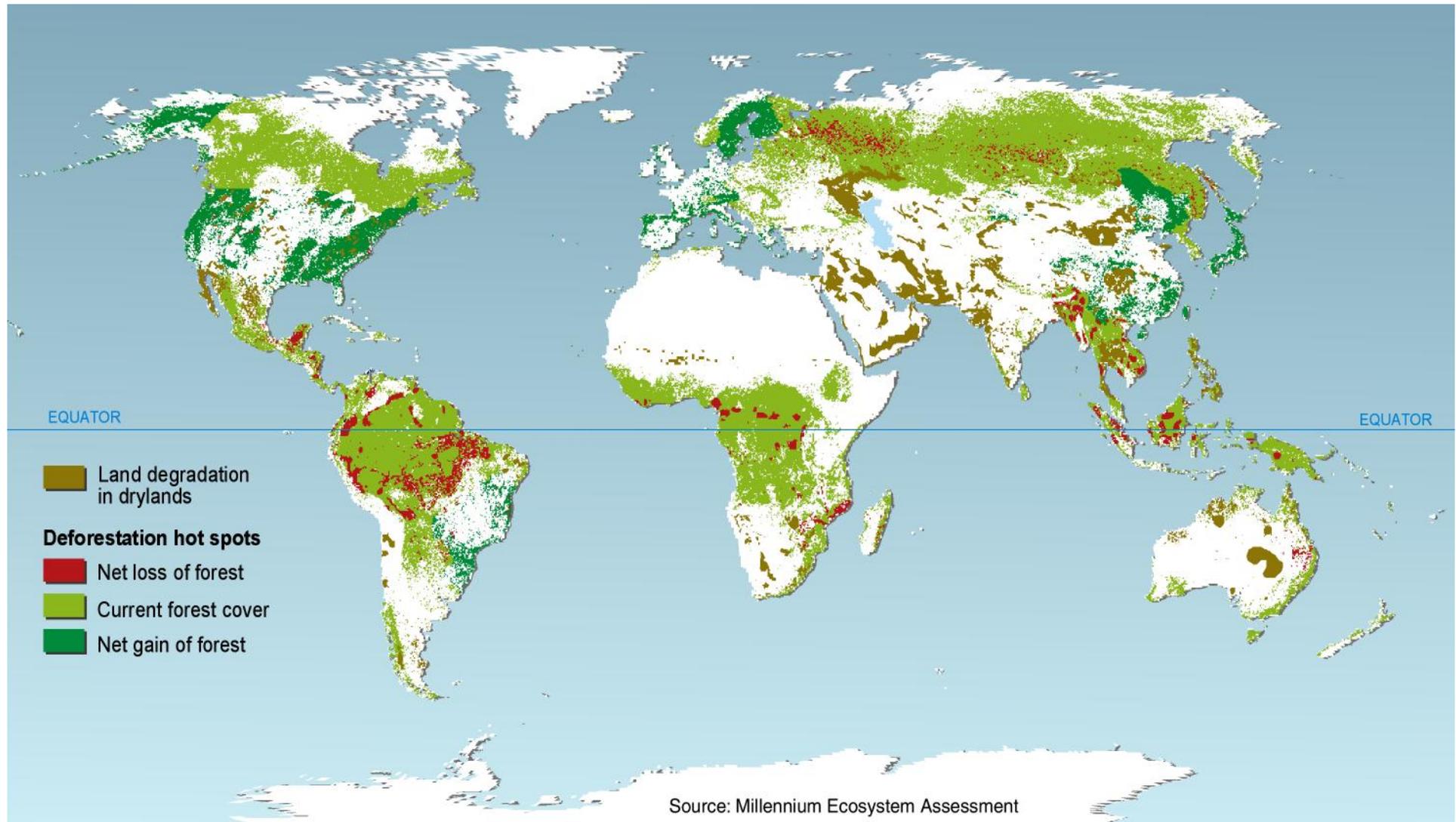


Major characteristic of the wood fiber system:
II. Large regional differences in forest **area accessible** for wood harvest (around 2000)



Source: FAO, Global Fiber Supply Model

Skogsutbredning och dess förändring under 1980-2000



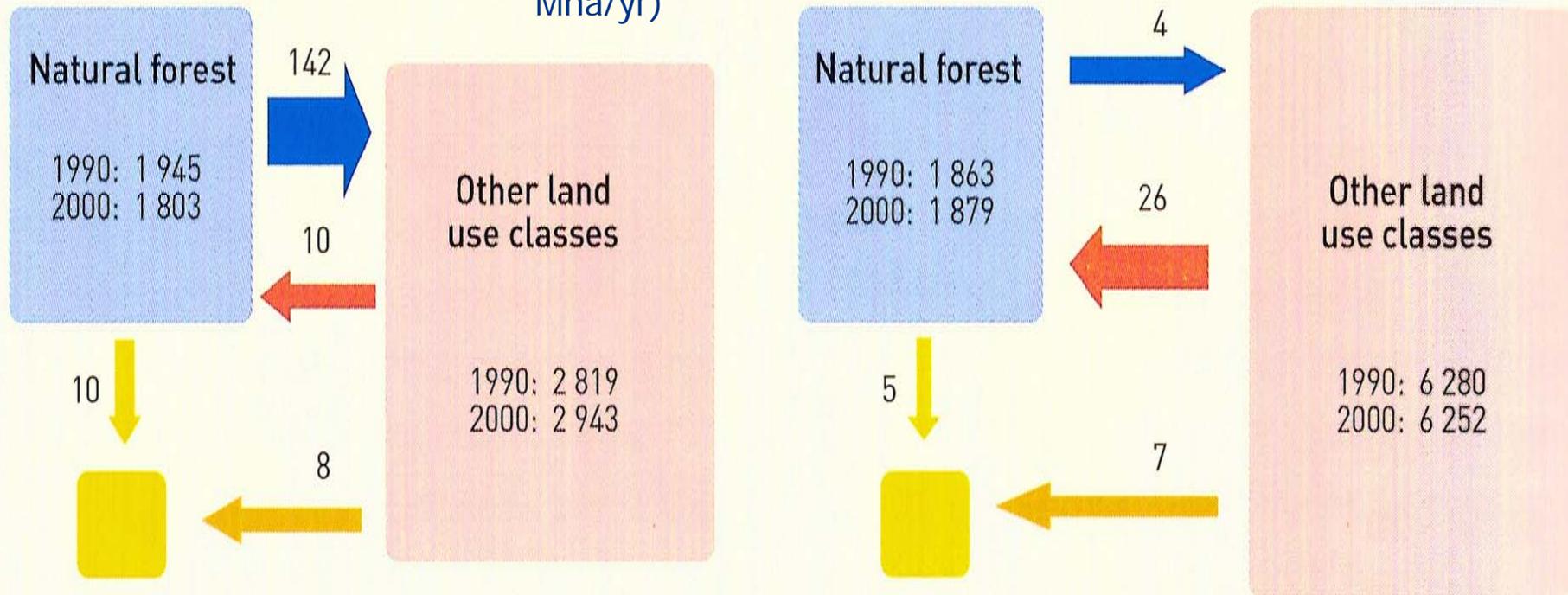
Forest area changes (million ha), 1990 to 2000

But is increasing in non-tropical areas (3 Mha/yr)

Total forest area is decreasing in tropical areas (12 Mha/yr; natural forests with 14 Mha/yr)

Tropical areas

Non-tropical areas



Tree **plantation area** is increasing strongly, especially in the tropics

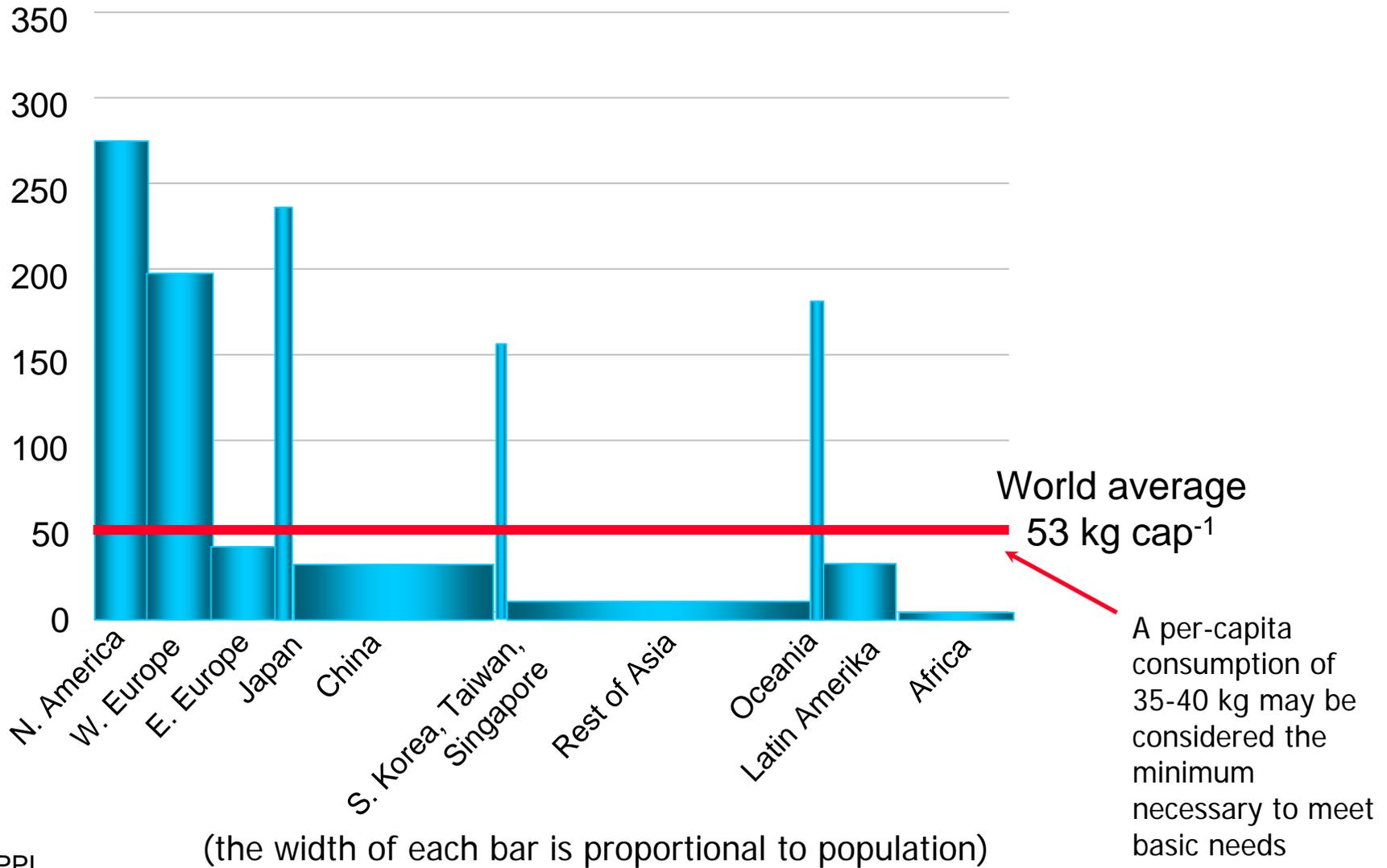
➔ Deforestation
 ➔ Afforestation
 ➔ Reforestation
 ➔ Natural expansion of forest

Factors determining resource use and environmental impacts of the fiber and forestry system: Overview

- Major factors determining land use and turnover of biomass of the fiber system include:
 - **consumption** per capita of fiber products, especially of paper
 - post-consumer **paper recycling**
 - use of **by-products** from saw and plywood mills in the production of paper and fiber/particle boards
 - **process yields** in production of sawn wood, wood panels, paper
 - wood **yields** per ha
 - area of **high-yielding plantations**
- Fiber system resource use and environmental impact are largely correlated to the total land use and biomass turnover (the smaller the area/flows, the smaller the impact)

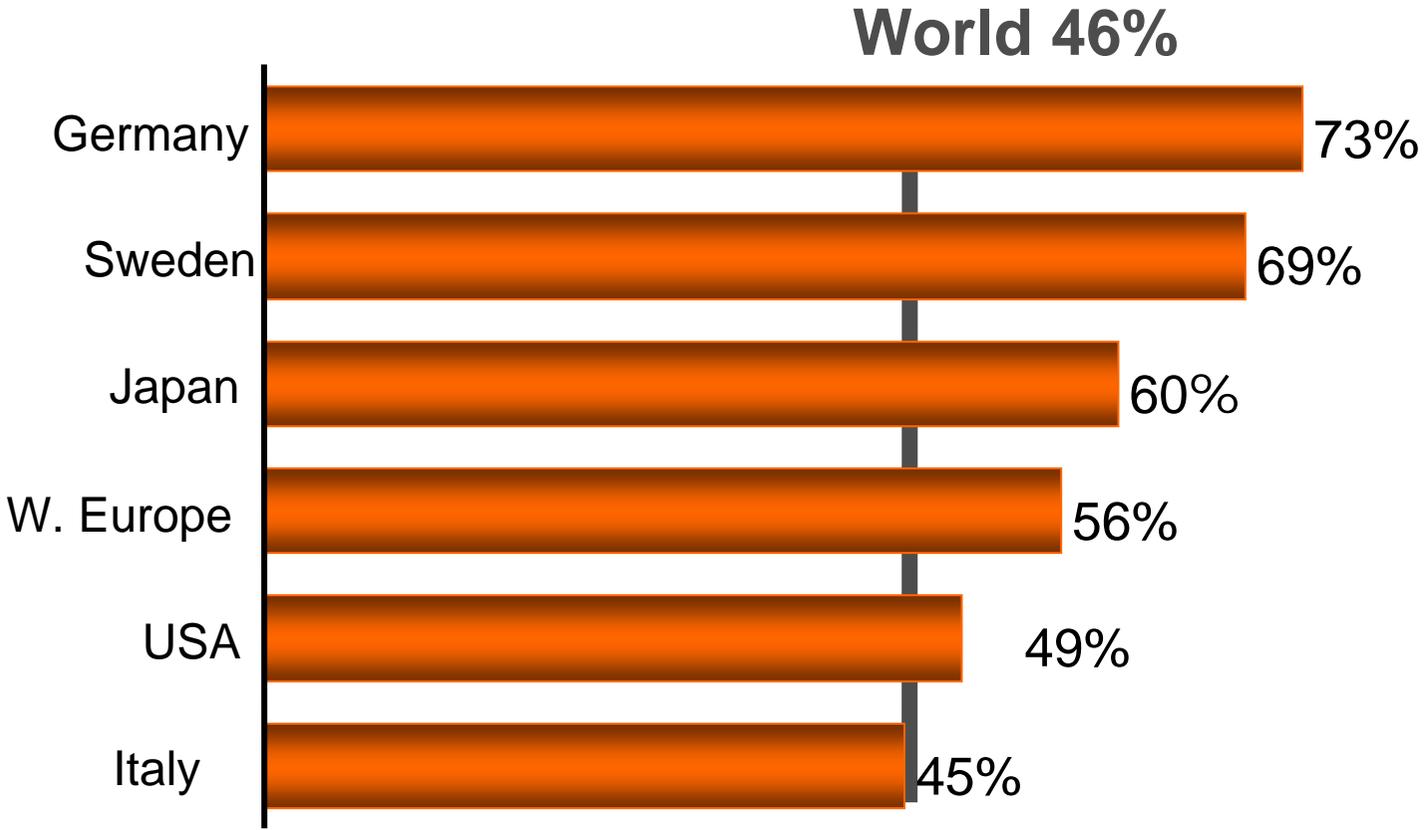
Major factor steering the resource use of the wood fiber system: Paper consumption per capita (2002)

Kg cap⁻¹ yr⁻¹



Source: PPI

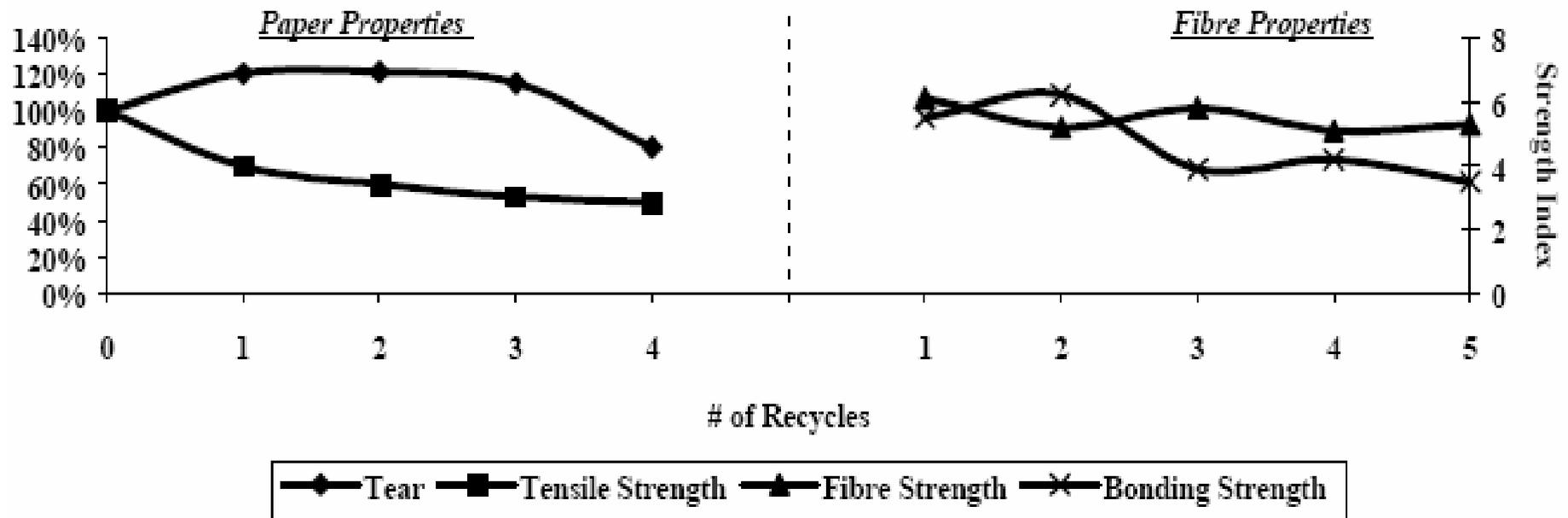
Post-consumer recycling of paper (data for 2002)



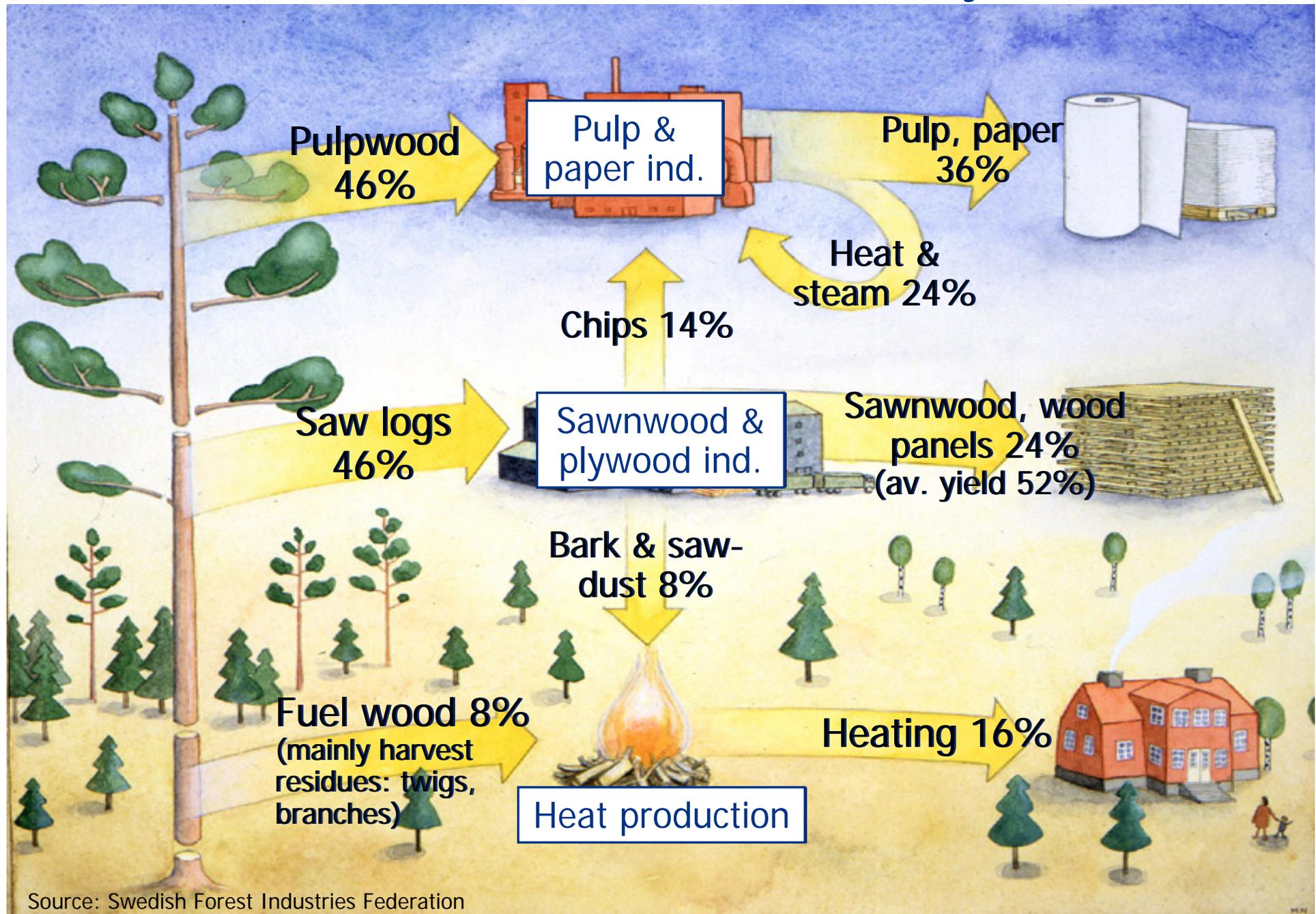
Source: Swedish Forest Industries Federation (2004)

Effect of recycling on fiber and paper properties

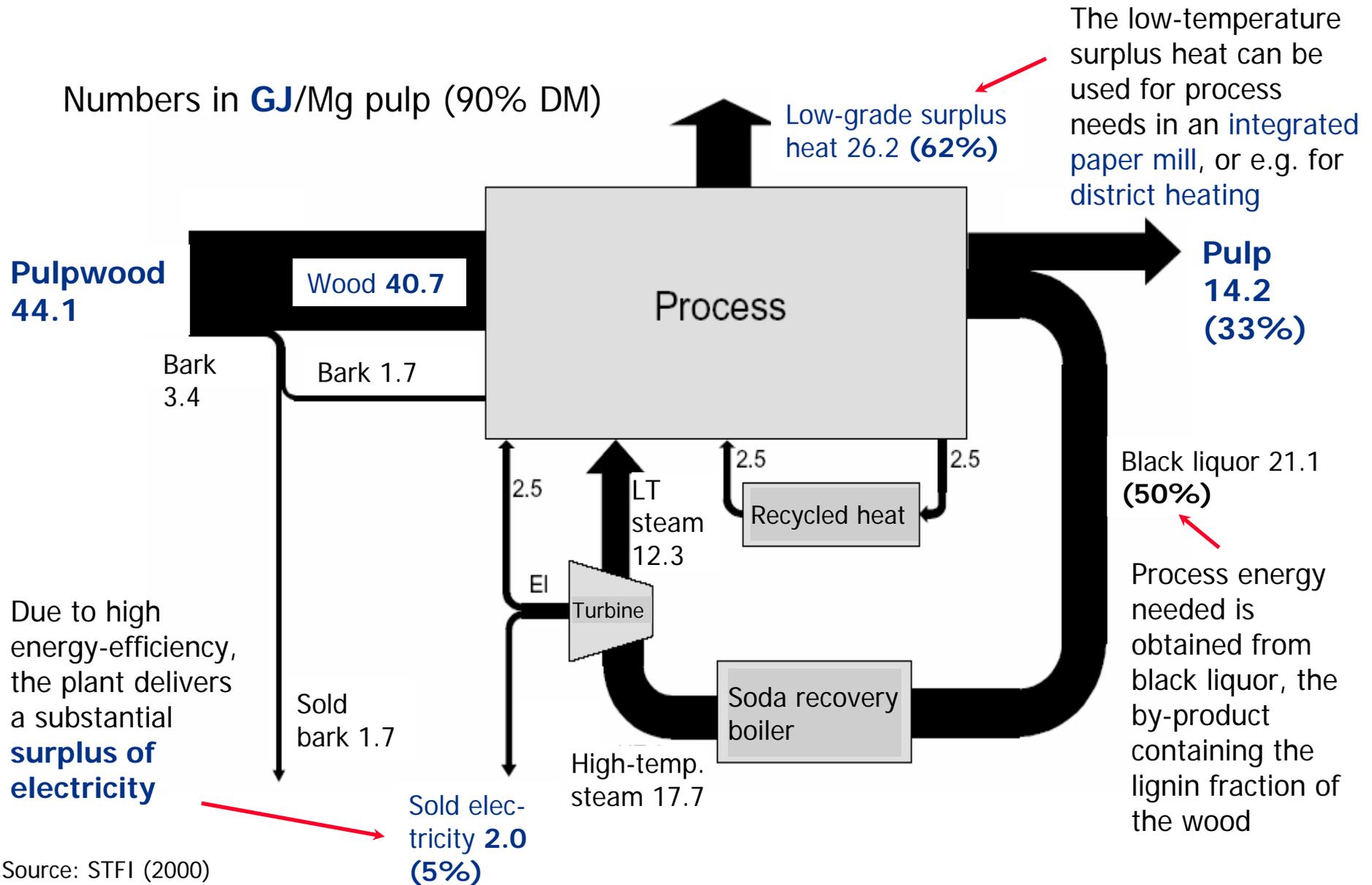
- In general, fiber and paper **loose quality** when recycled, but changes tend to level out after 4-5 cycles (see figure below)
- In each re-cycle, there is also a certain **loss of fiber mass**, due to shortening of fibers in the process → some fibers become too short and are filtered away



Biomass flows in the Swedish wood fiber system (2002)



Biomass and energy flows in a high-efficient **chemical-pulp** process (best available technology in 2000)

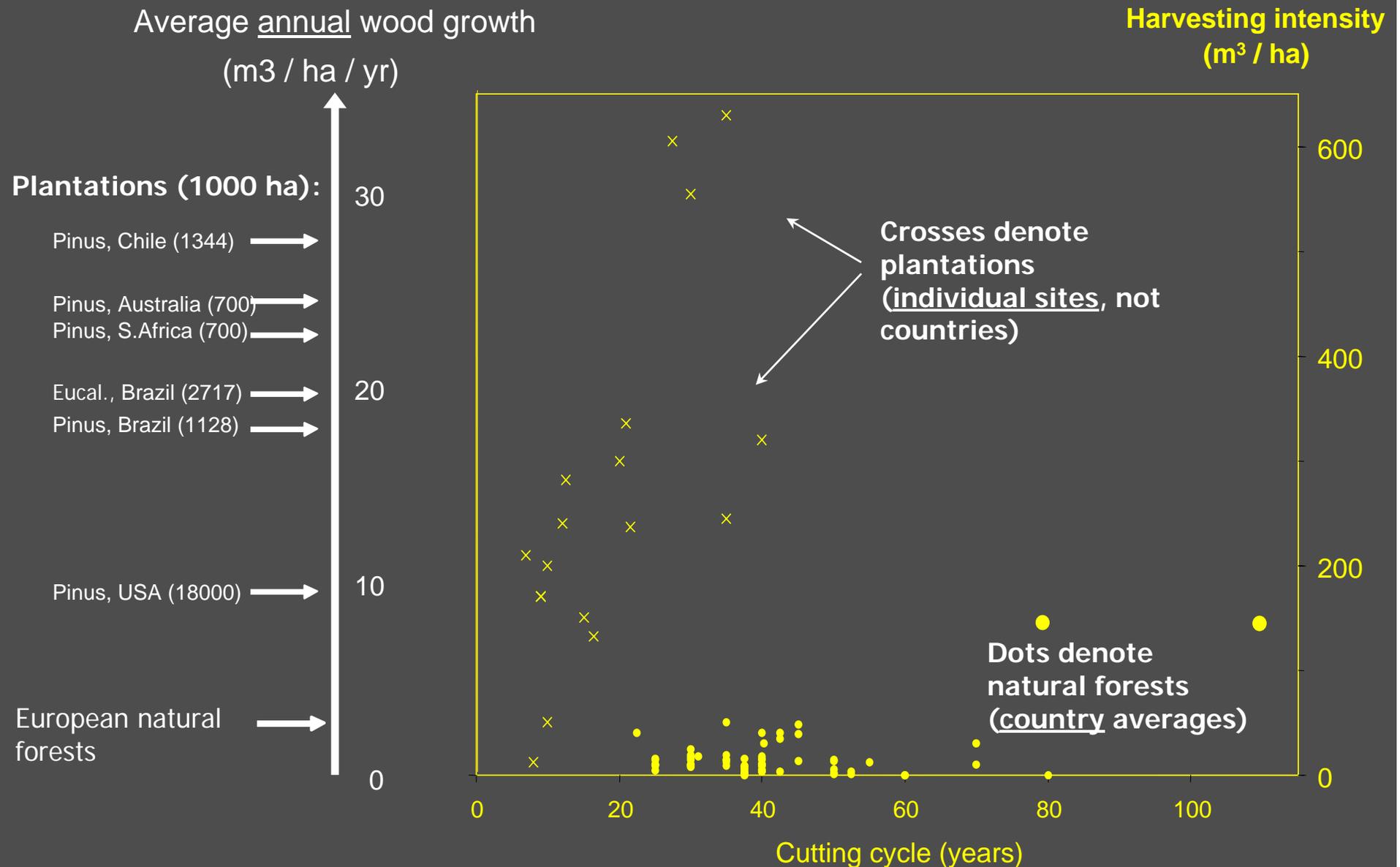


Biomass use in wood and paper production: Summary of characteristics

	Yield (dry matter basis, excl. bark)	Principal feedstocks	By-products generated	Use of by-products
Sawnwood, plywood	40-60 (70)%	Saw logs	Wood chips & shavings (30-50%) saw dust (5-15%), bark	Paper <u>or</u> fiber/particle board <u>or</u> energy
Fiber/particle board	90-95%	Various low-grade wood fibers (saw-dust etc)	None except bark	
Mechanical pulp	~95%	Pulpwood, wood chips, used paper	None except bark	
Chemical pulp	40-50%	Pulpwood, wood chips, used paper	Black liquor, bark	Energy for pulp process (and sold)

Yields of **plantations** and **natural** forests

(Note: These are two separate diagrams)



Yields and cutting cycles of plantations and natural forests: Summary of typical numbers

	Yield (m ³ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹)	Rotation (years)
<u>Temp. & boreal conifer forests</u>		
Canada average	1.0-1.5	
Northern Europe (Sweden, etc)	2-3	60-100
Siberia (Russia)	1-1.5	70-200
<u>Tropical forests</u>		
Tropical high forest (managed)	0.5-7	
S.E. Asia <i>Dipterocarp</i> forest (managed)	up to 17	~50
<u>Plantations - Conifers</u>		
Brazil (<i>Pinus</i> spp)	15-35	15-35
New Zealand (Monterey pine)	18-30	20-40
<u>Plantations - Eucalyptus</u>		
Brazil	30-45+	7-20
South Africa	15-20	10
Spain, Portugal	10-15	8-15

Strategies for sustainable fiber and forestry the coming 50 years: Overview (for the ecological dimension)

I: Keep down the increasing production requirements of wood and other fiber biomass, by

- increasing the **use of wood residues** from sawmills and plywood mills as feedstock in paper/fiberboard production (largest potential in developing countr.)
- increasing the process **yields in wood and paper industry**, especially in sawmills and plywood mills (largest potential in developing countries)
- increasing paper **recycling** (large potential in most countries)
- keeping down the per-capita consumption of wood products

II: Due to the expected growth in demand, supply of woody biomass still must be increased the nearest 50 years. For **sparing undisturbed, natural forests**, overall strategy for increasing supply should be:

- increasing the yields, through more **intensive management, on already disturbed forest areas**
- increasing the area of **high-yielding tree plantations**
- strongly **limiting the harvest in relatively undisturbed forests; increase the area of protected forests** protected from harvest

Intensively managed tree plantations: Benefits and critical aspects

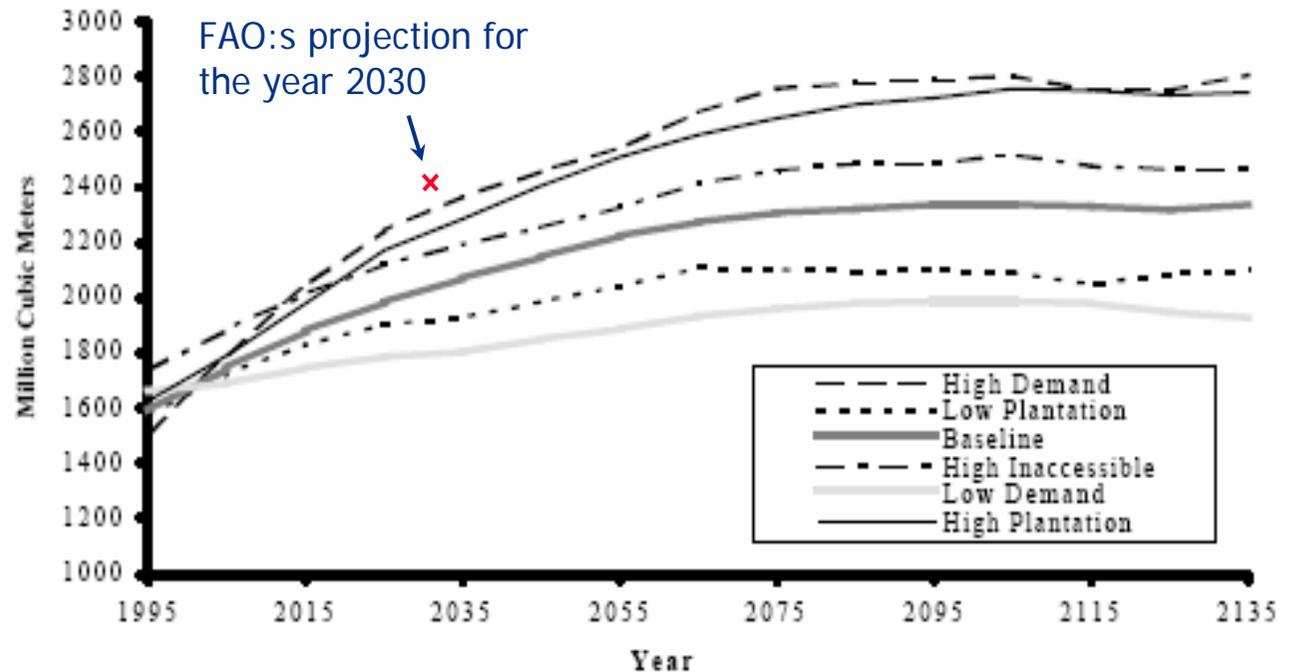
- Factors driving the transition towards intensification in wood production include:
 - **rising costs** for harvesting natural forests, due to large infrastructure costs for accessing remaining areas of natural forests
 - **increased productivity and yields from tree plantations**, due to improved technology
 - rising social and political pressure to preserve natural forests
- Some critical considerations are:
 - sites for plantations must be chosen carefully, taking into account needs and rights of local communities, and avoiding destroying valuable habitats
 - tree species must be selected carefully, **indigenous species are preferable**, (although exotic species like *eucalyptus* and *pines* may be a suitable option in many areas)

Projections and long-term scenarios of global land use and supply of roundwood for fiber

- Most of the increased supply is expected to come from **existing and newly established plantations** (FAO:s projection for 2030: a **doubling** in plantation supply from today's 400 Gm³ to 800 Gm³)

- Conversion of tropical rainforest to sustainable forestry is estimated to be **6-18% of current remaining area** (in the year 2135)

Global roundwood supply under different scenarios, using cost minimization modeling (Songhen et al 1997):



Source: Songhen et al (1997)