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# Rangelands poorly understood

Various recent reports and research indicates that Rangelands around the world are poorly understood:

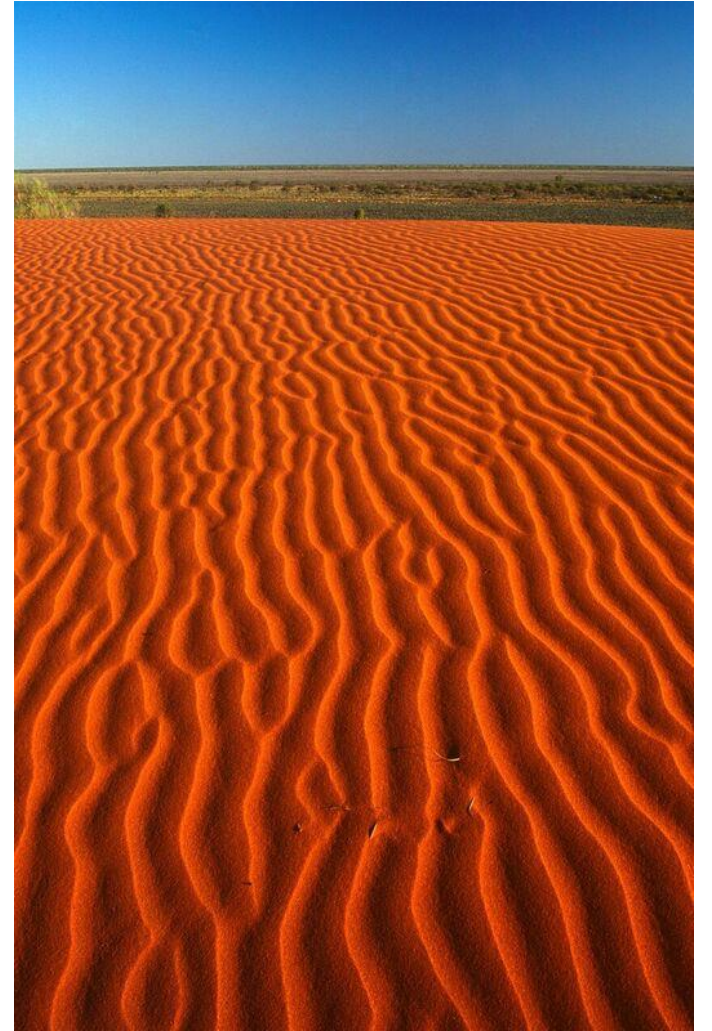
- “A Case of Benign Neglect: Knowledge Gaps About Sustainability in Pastoralism and Rangelands” <https://www.grida.no/publications/428>
- “Rangelands Atlas” <https://www.unep.org/resources/publication/rangelands-atlas>
- “Are Livestock Always Bad for the Planet? Rethinking the Protein Transition and Climate Change Debate”  
<https://opendocs.ids.ac.uk/opendocs/handle/20.500.12413/16839>

# Rangelands are not wastelands



- Ruined lands with little value, deserts that need to be repaired
- Seen as a new frontier ready for "development"
- Pastoralism & transhumance is seen as backward
- Pastoralists, farmers and nomads are viewed with pity, even as primitive

# Rangelands are not forests

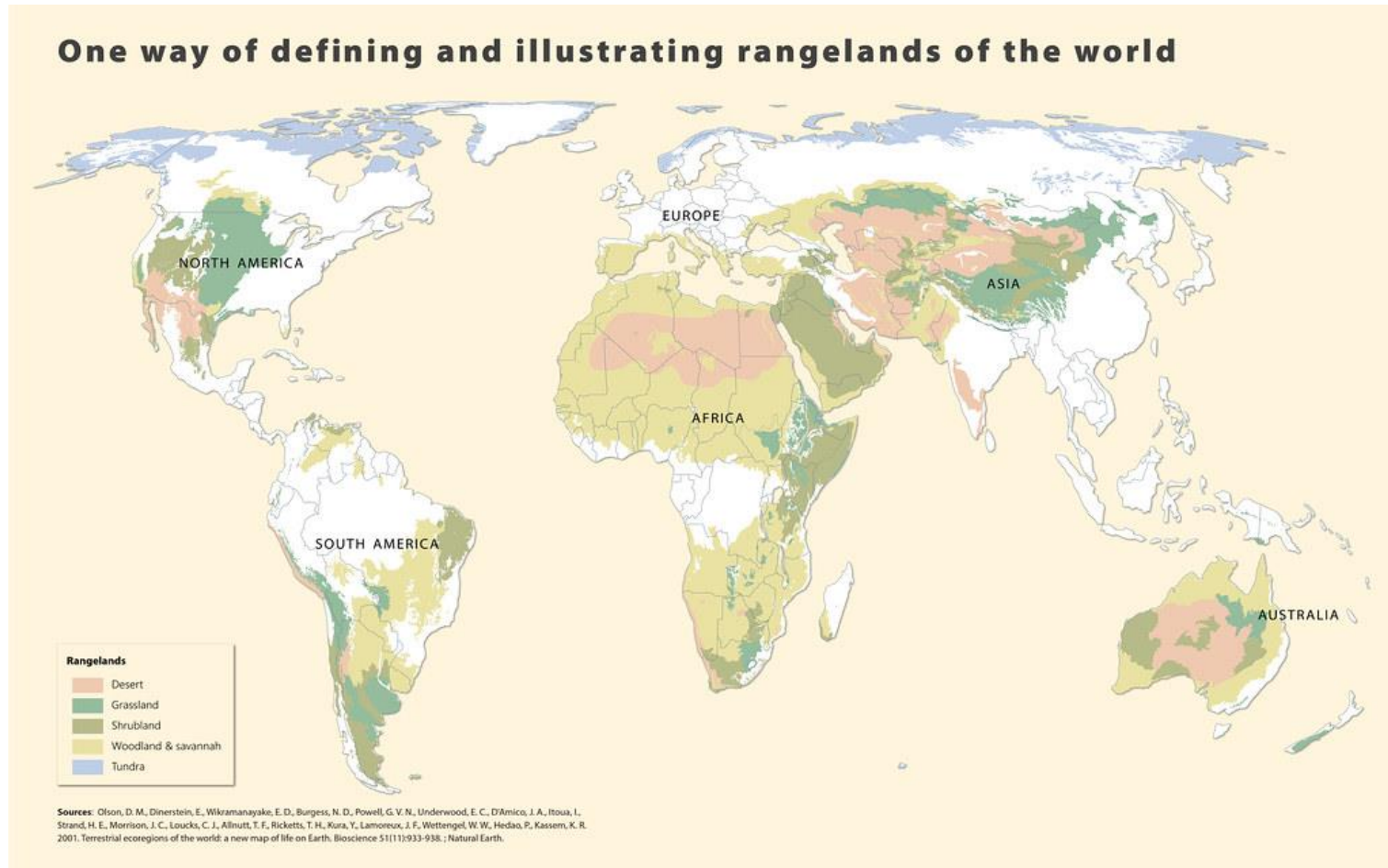


# Rangelands not major emitters of GHG



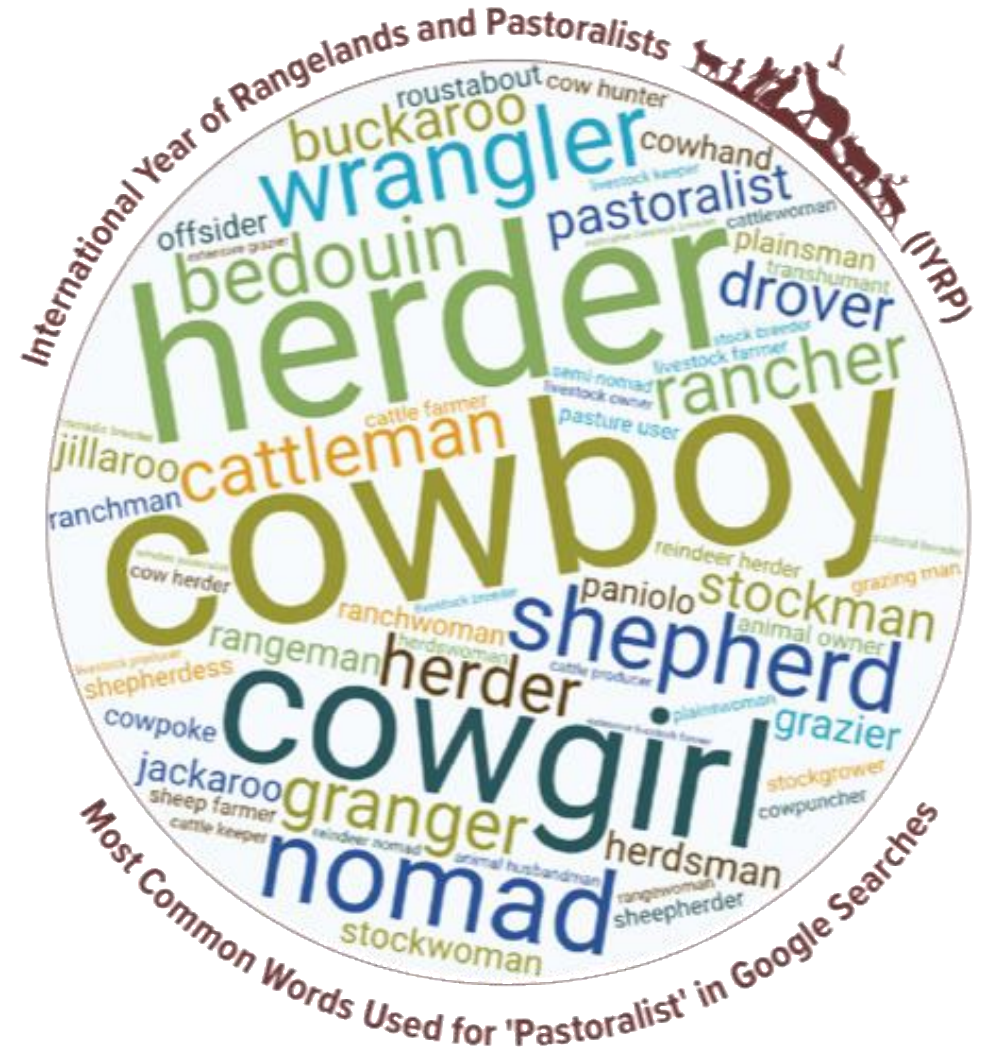
Middle East, Australia, South America

# Rangelands are not small



All the colored areas are Rangelands & Grasslands, not white

# Rangelands are not uninhabited





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