

# Supplementary Information For “Annual time-series 1-km maps of crop area and types in the conterminous US (CropAT-US): cropping diversity changes during 1850-2021”

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Table S1. The reclassification of CDL. [1] and [2] are the crop type ID used in CDL and this study, respectively.

CDL <sup>[1]</sup>	This study <sup>[2]</sup>	Crop type
1	1	Corn
5	2	Soybean
24	3	Winter wheat
23	4	Spring wheat
22	5	Durum wheat
2	6	Cotton
4	7	Sorghum
21	8	Barley
3	9	Rice
Other crop types	10	Others

Table S2. The earliest available dates of harvesting and planting area for nine major crops at state- and county-level from USDA-NASS Quickstat.

Crop Type	State Harvest	State Plant	County Harvest	County Plant
Corn	1866	1919	1910	1924
Soybean	1924	1924	1927	1938
Winter Wheat	1909	1909	1918	1919
Spring Wheat	1919	1919	1919	1919
Durum Wheat	1919	1924	1926	1926
Cotton	1866	1909	1919	1928
Sorghum	1919	1924	1940	1940
Rice	1895	1929	1938	1953
Barley	1866	1924	1915	1924

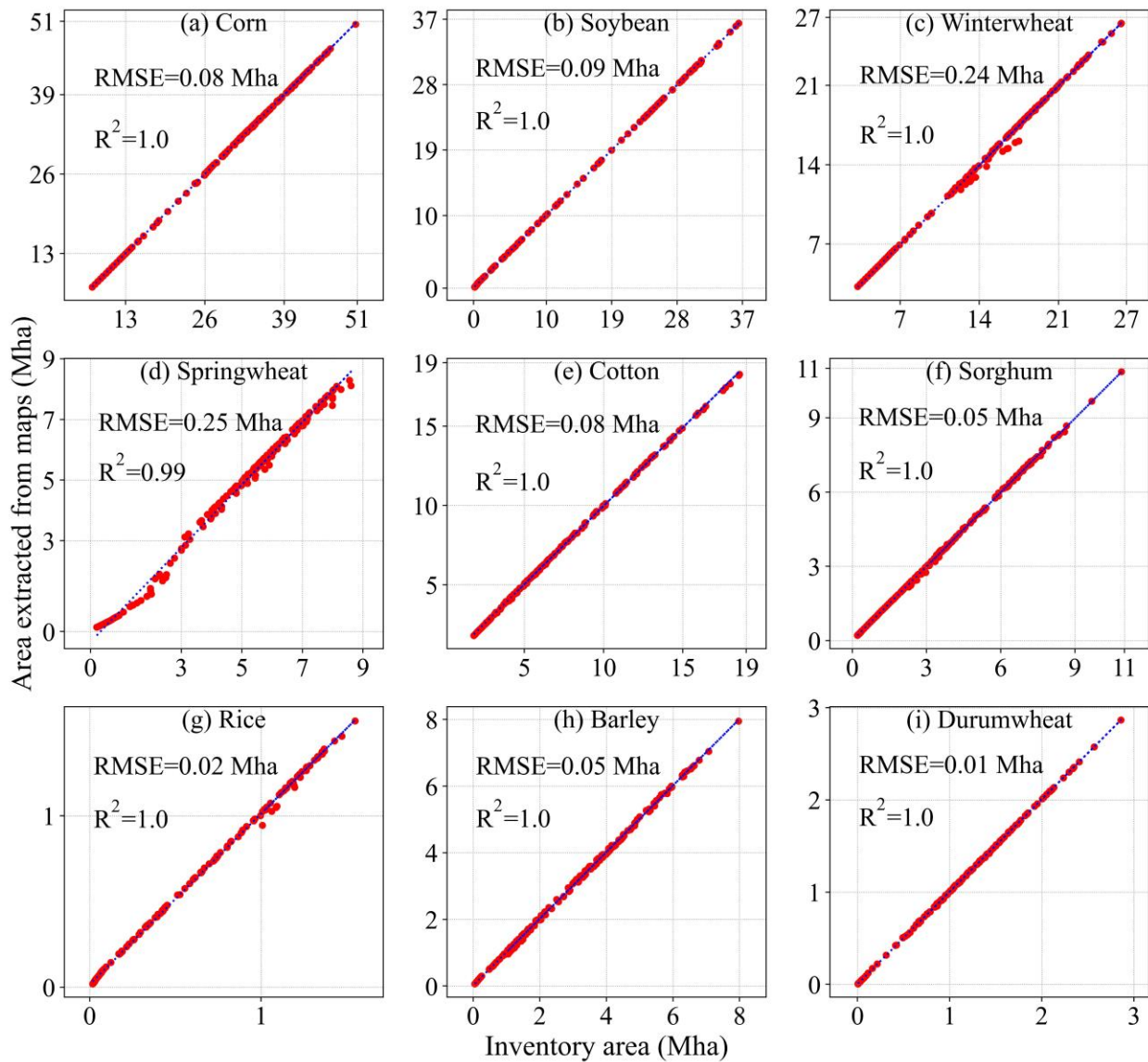


Figure S1. The crop type-specific comparison of total US crop area between the developed map and the rebuilt inventory data from 1850 to 2021 (Mha is a million hectares). The blue line is the linear regression line.

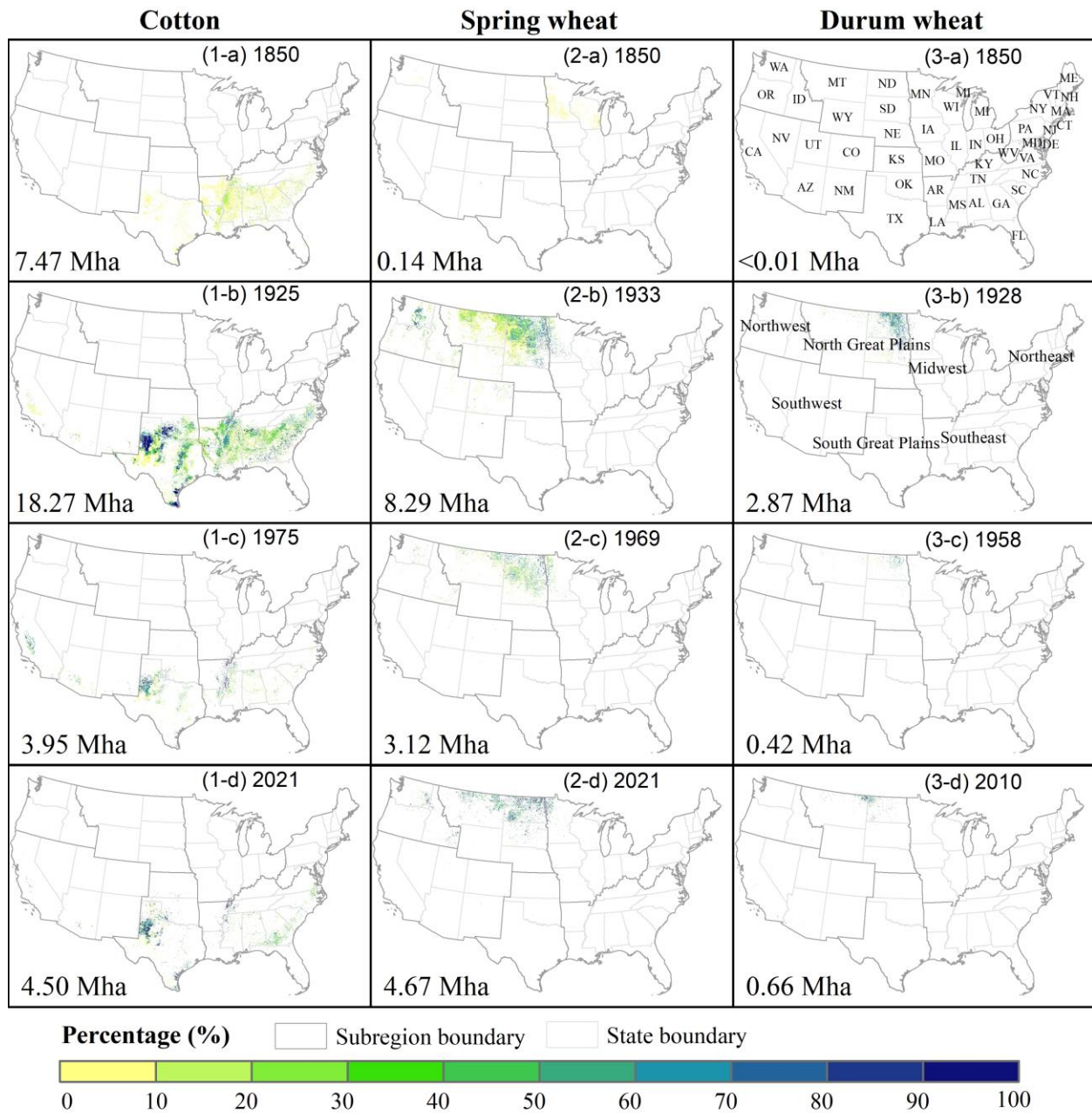


Figure S2. The spatiotemporal density pattern of cotton, spring wheat, and durum wheat at 1km by 1km resolution in the area turning years. The first, second, and third columns are the density pattern of cotton, spring wheat, and durum wheat, respectively. The total planting area for each crop type is presented at the bottom left of each subfigure. The color bar at the bottom indicates the percentage of cultivated area to the total grid area.

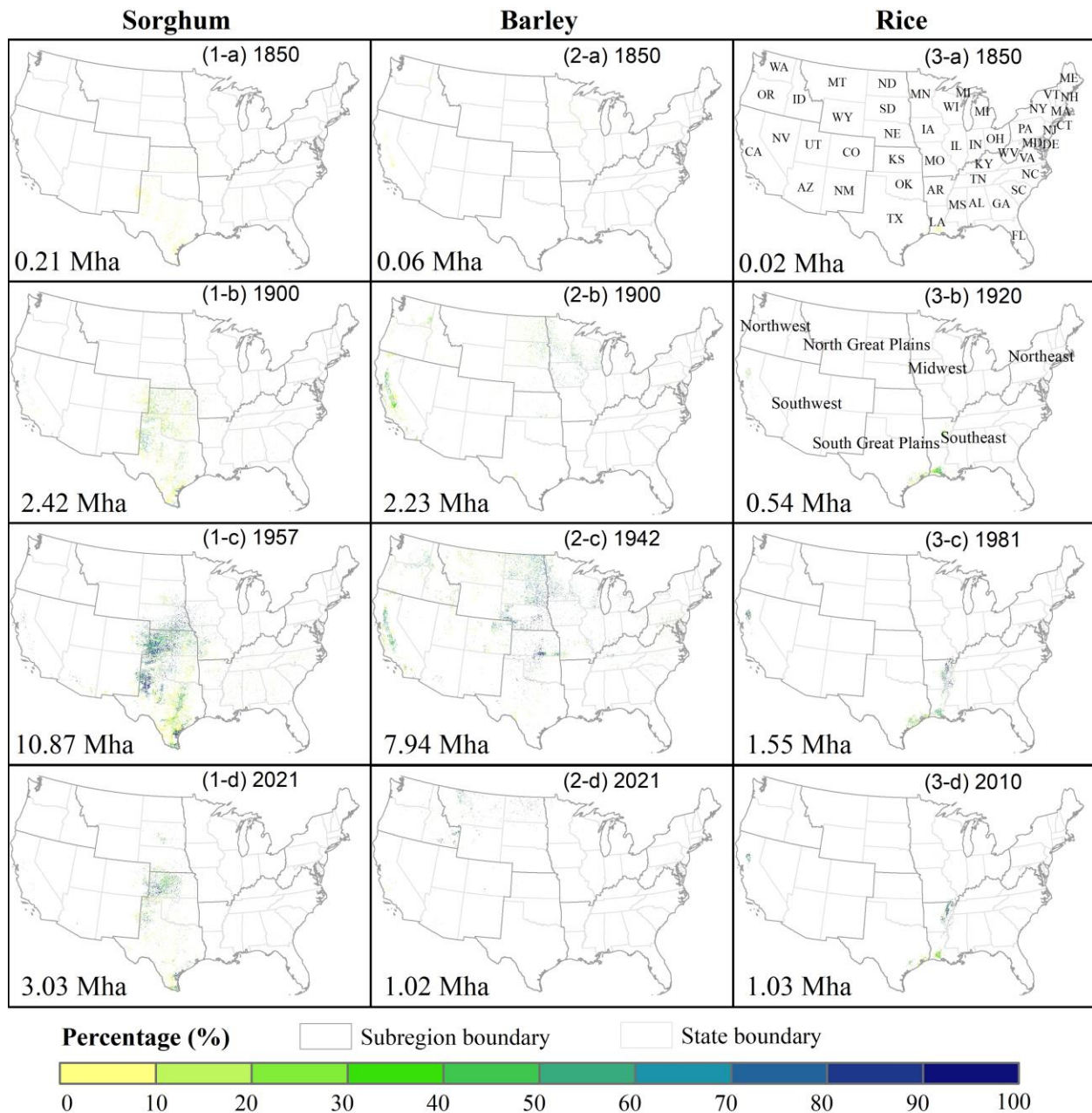


Figure S3. The spatiotemporal density pattern of sorghum, barley, and rice at 1km by 1km resolution in the area turning years. The first, second, and third columns are the density pattern of sorghum, barley, and rice, respectively. The total planting area for each crop type is presented at the bottom left of each subfigure. The color bar at the bottom indicates the percentage of cultivated area to the total grid area.

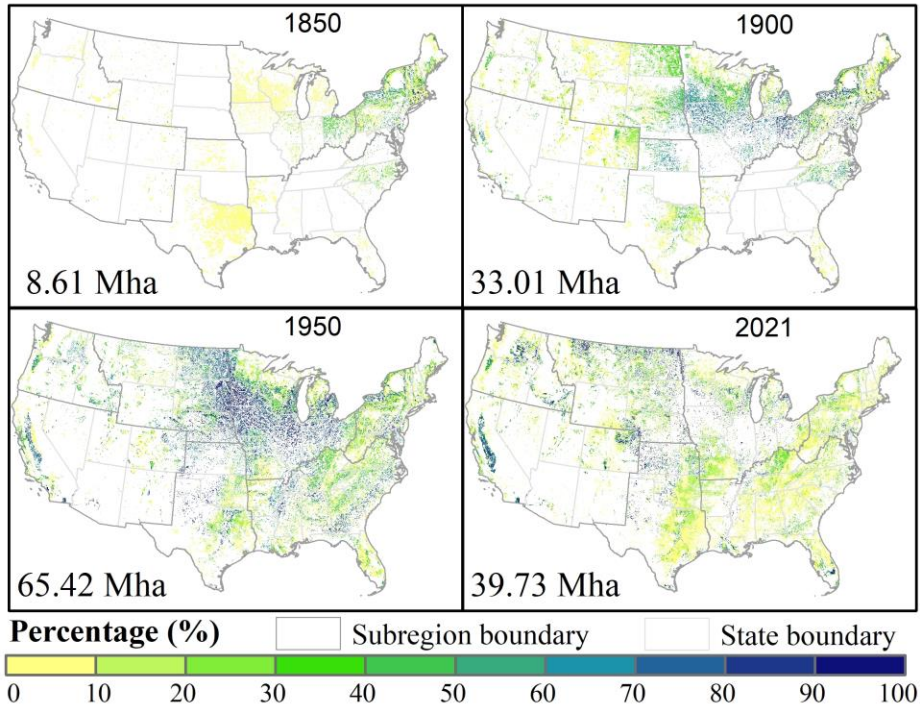


Figure S4. The spatiotemporal density patterns of "others". The color bar at the bottom indicates the percentage of cultivated area to the total grid area.

### Supplementary Methods:

Figure S5 shows that the total US cropland from LCMAP is significantly greater than that from NLCD and the inventory data due to its more extensive spatial coverage (Figure S6 (a) and (b)). By checking the product guide of LCMAP, NLCD uses a finer-grained Anderson Level II-based legend, in contrast to LCMAP's broader Level I-derived classes, where the classification of NLCD can be cross-walked to LCMAP classes (Table S3) (United States Geological Survey, 2022; Xian et al., 2022). Thus, the cropland in LCMAP refers to the pasture and cropland in NLCD, which is also confirmed by the result in Figure S5 where the sum of crop and pasture from NLCD is close to LCMAP's cropland area. Based on that, we adopted the NLCD-based trajectory method to filter the real cropland pixels from LCMAP. We first reclassified NLCD land cover maps into two classes, crop and non-crop from 2001 to 2011. Then, we used Equation S1 to stack the reclassified maps into a single in which each value, representing a trajectory, records the historical crop states (Figure S7). To retain the potential cropland distribution in LCMAP, we apply the selected non-crop trajectory (Figure S7) to exclude all grids identified as cropland in LCMAP from 1985 to 2009, where we assume that the non-crop grids in NLCD from 2001 to 2011 keep non-crop between 1985 and 2000. The filtered LCMAP is presented in Figure S6 (c) (Taking the year 2008 as a case).

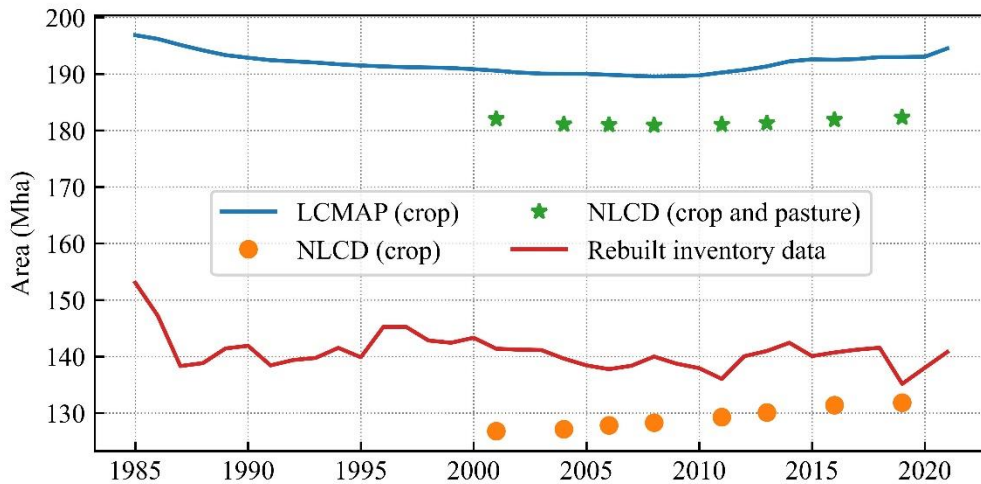


Figure S5. The total US cropland area trends extracted from the resampled LCMAP, NLCD, and the rebuilt inventory data, respectively.

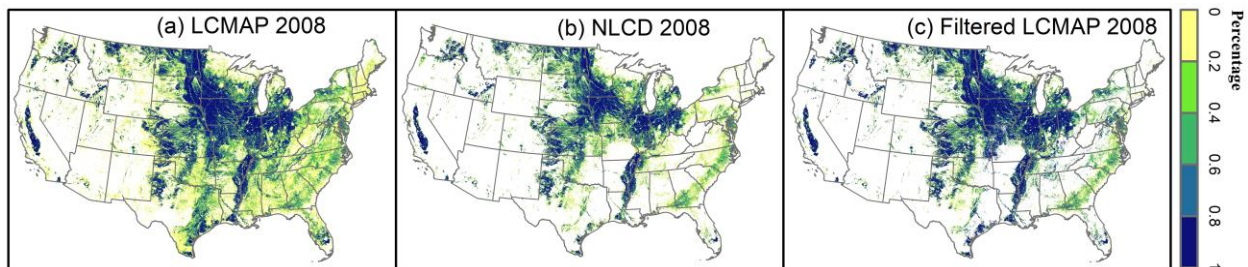


Figure S6. The distribution of the resampled LCMAP (a), NLCD (b), and filtered LCMAP (c). Taking the year 2008 as a case to show the spatial pattern.

Table S3. NLCD to LCMAP land cover translations (United States Geological Survey, 2022; Xian et al., 2022).

NLCD Level 2 Class	LCMAP Level 1 Class
Developed, Open Space Developed, Low Intensity Developed, Medium Intensity Developed, High Intensity	Developed
Pasture/Hay Cultivated crops	Cropland
Dwarf Scrub Shrub/Scrub Grassland/Herbaceous Sedge/Herbaceous Lichens Moss	Grass/Shrub
Deciduous Forest Evergreen Forest Mixed Forest	Tree Cover
Open Water	Water
Woody wetlands Emergent Herbaceous Wetlands	Wetlands
Perennial Ice/Snow	Ice/Snow
Barren Land	Barren

$$Croptrac = \sum_1^5(NLCD_i * 10^{5-i}), \tag{S1}$$

Where,

*Croptrac*: the crop trajectory, the meaning of which is shown in Figure S7;

*Cl<sub>i</sub>*: the reclassified NLCD map in the year from 2001 (*i* =1) to 2011 (*i* =5).

	2001	2004	2006	2008	2011
Crop	*	*	1	*	*
Non-crop	0	0	0	0	0

Figure S7. Example of crop trajectory. 1 and 0 represent crop and non-crop, respectively. \* is either 1 or 0. Non-crop trajectory means that this pixel keeps non-crop from 2001 to 2011.

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