

Table 7. Estimates of tropical moist forest area (10<sup>3</sup> ha) from various sources, including FAO estimates for closed broadleaved forest area ('FAOCB') and ecosystem types ('FAOE'), with alternative totals for 63 countries (65 for Sommer)<sup>1</sup>

	Persson 1973	Sommer 1975	Myers 1980	Grainger 1980	Myers 1989	
Africa	182,695	175,000	155,668	204,622	152,200	
Asia-Pacific	248,929	254,000	290,408	263,647	210,600	
Latin America	547,474	506,000	526,750	613,110	415,550	
Totals	979,098	935,000	972,826	1,081,379	778,350	
No. countries	61	65	51	63	34	
Africa	182,695	175,000	164,653	204,622	167,332	
Asia-Pacific	250,174	254,000	290,917	263,647	217,080	
Latin America	547,474	506,000	526,808	613,110	416,143	
Revised Totals	980,343	935,000	982,377	1,081,379	800,555	
No. countries	63	65	63	63	63	
Source:	8	7	9	10	11	
	FAOCB 1990	FAOE 1990	TREES 1990	TREES 1997	FAOE 2000	GLC 2000
Africa	186,983	373,015	198,000	193,000	407,033	228,489
Asia-Pacific	233,091	266,366	283,000	270,000	219,538	237,032
Latin America	715,411	870,510	669,000	653,000	799,550	657,577
Totals	1,135,485	1,509,891	1,150,000	1,116,000	1,426,000	1,123,098
No. countries	53	85	56	56	100	42
Africa	187,074	311,426	199,112	194,078	339,777	228,601
Asia-Pacific	237,561	258,251	281,852	268,586	210,871	261,082
Latin America	754,970	864,088	671,331	655,275	796,141	690,800
Revised Totals	1,179,606	1,433,765	1,152,296	1,117,940	1,346,789	1,180,483
No. countries	63	63	63	63	63	63
Source:	3	3	12	12	4	14-17

<sup>1</sup>The set of 63 humid tropical countries was derived from Sommer's (ref. 7) set of 65 countries by adding Puerto Rico, and removing Argentina, Haiti and Paraguay, as they only have small areas of tropical moist forest and data were insufficient to quantify these (ref. 10). It includes:

Africa: Angola, Benin, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Congo, Congo (Zaire), Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Nigeria, Reunion, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda

Asia-Pacific: Australia, Bangladesh, Brunei, Burma, Cambodia, Fiji, Hawaii, India, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Solomon Isles, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vanuatu, Vietnam

Latin America and Caribbean: Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, French Guiana, Guatemala, Guyana, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Puerto Rico, Suriname, Trinidad & Tobago, Venezuela