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	Name	Drainage area (1000 km²)	Name	Length (km)	Name	Average annua total discharge (km²/yr)	
1	Amazon	6 915	Nile	6 670	Amazon	6 923	
2	Congo	3 680	Mississippi*	6 420	Ganges	1 386	
3	Murray	3 520	Amazon	6 280	Congo	1 320	
4	La Plata	3 100	Yangtze	5 520	Orinoco	1 007	
5	Ob	2 990	Mackenzie*	5 472	Yangtze	1 006	
6	Mississippi*	2 980	La Plata	4 700	La Plata	811	
7	Nile	2 870	Hwang Ho	4 670	Yenisei	618	
8	Yenisei	2 580	Mekong	4 500	Lena	539	
9	Lena	2 490	Lena	4 400	Mississippi*	510	
10	Niger	2 090	Congo	4 370	Mekong	505	
11	Amur	1 855	Niger	4 160	Chutsyan	430	
12	Yangtze	1 800	Ob	3 650	Ob	404	
13	Mackenzie*	1 790	Yenisei	3 490	Amur	360	
			Murray	3 490			
14	Ganges	1 730	Volga	3 350	Mackenzie*	325	
15	Volga	1 380	Indus	3 180	St. Lawrence*	318	
16	Zambezi	1 330	St. Lawrence*	3 060	Niger	302	
17	St. Lawrence*	1 030	Ganges	3 000	Volga	255	
			Yukon*	3 000	91 Nile	84	

* Partly or entirely in Canada.



AFRICA'S LAKES								
Table 1.1: Africa	# of Lakes	Percentage	Country	# of Lakes	Percentage			
Uganda	69	10%	Egypt	16	2.40%			
Kenya	64	9.50%	Nigeria	16	2.40%			
Cameroon	59	8.70%	Mali	15	2.20%			
Tanzania	49	7.20%	Tunisia	15	2.20%			
Ethiopia	46	6.80%	Zaire	15	2.20%			
South Africa	37	5.50%	Malawi	13	1.90%			
Rwanda	29	4.30%	Botswana	12	1.80%			
Ghana	29	4.30%	Gabon	8	1.20%			
Morocco	26	3.80%	Others	134	<20%			
Madagascar	25	3.70%	Total	677	100%			

15 natural lakes that cross the political boundaries





























Water requirement as compared to ordinary grass							
30% less	10% less	Same	10% more	30% more			
Citrus	Cucumber	Carrots	Barley	Paddy rice			
Olives	Radishes	Crucifers	Beans	Sugarcane			
Grapes	Squash	(Cabbage,	Maize	Banana			
		Cauliflower,	Flax	Tobacco			
		Broccoli, etc.)	Small grains	Nuts and fruit			
		Lettuce	Cotton	trees with			
		Mellons	Tomato	cover crops			
		Onions	Eggplant				
		Peanuts	Lentils				
		Peppers	Millet	-			
		Spinach	Oats				
		Теа	Peas	-			
		Grass	Potatoes				
		Cacao	Safflower	-			
		Coffee	Sorghum				
		Clean	Soybeans				
		cultivated nuts	Sugarbeet				
		& fruit trees	Sunflower	-			































