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FOREWORD

This GIS ATLAS is a part of outputs from the Development Study on Sustainable Agricultural and Rural Development for Poverty Reduction Programme in the Central Dry Zone (CDZ) of the Union of Myanmar. The Study was commenced in May 2006 and carried out for a period of over 4 years in partnership with all those concerned officers of the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, and Ministry of Cooperatives.

The CDZ extends within 3 divisions - Mandalay, Sagaing and Magway, covering an extensive area of 75,169 km². The population of the CDZ is estimated at 9,842,000 as of 2003 according to the population data recorded at relevant offices at township, giving a population density of 131 persons/km². The CDZ hereby has larger share of population rather than share of land area against whole Union and also against concerned entire 3 divisions, exampled as that of the whole Union is 79 persons/km², and also that of the 3 divisions is 103 person/km². One of the reasons of relatively high population density may lie in the favorable living environment of the CDZ with larger portion of flat alluvial zone as compared to western, northern and eastern areas that accompany with mountainous areas.

The overall relief of the CDZ can be classified into river basins with fertile diluvial soils and fluvial deposit derived soils, alluvial plain extending along rivers in the CDZ, and then plateau zone with infertile soils over Bago Hills situated in between Ayeyarwady River and Sittang River. From land area point of view, plain occupies by far large portion, and an intensive farming is practiced making use of fertile soils along the grand Ayeyarwady River. As the topography shifts away from the rivers to the plain and then to the plateau, agricultural activities tend to become extensive.

From these facts, even though it is called Central "Dry" Zone, the CDZ should be interpreted as a drier area in its comparison with other areas in the Union where monsoon type climate predominates. Of course, at the very end of lingering dry season during November - next May, soils are dried up and wind erosion severely takes place. During this period, typical scenery in so-called semi-arid zone appears in the CDZ as well, but in contrast, in the rainy season falling in the period of June - October, paddy cropping, typical activity under monsoon climate, has long been practiced since prehistoric era in climatically favorable areas within the CDZ.

With above background, considerable quantities of data were collected from relevant offices and assembled, much of which was previously unavailable cross-cutting townships. The availability of this data and the desirability of presenting it in a spatially referenced framework led to a conclusion to produce a Geographical Information System (GIS) based digital maps in order to help development planners, practitioners, government policy makers and technocrats, etc. assist to make sound decision in their working horizon.

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

AED	Agricultural Extension Division
AMD	Agriculture Mechanization Department
ARCPCA	Applied Research Center for Perennial Crops
BMI	Body Mass Index
CARI	Central Agriculture Research Institute
CARTC	Central Agriculture Research and Training Centre
CBM	Central Bank of Myanmar
СВО	Community Based Organization
CD	Cooperative Department
CID	Cottage Industry Department
CRDI	Credit for Rural Development Institution
CSO	Central Statistical Organization
DAP	Department of Agricultural Planning
DAR	Department of Agriculture Research
DOF	Department of Fisheries
DZMO	Dry Zone Micro-finance Organization
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization
FMD	Foot and Mouth Disease
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GOJ	Government of Japan
GOM	Government of Myanmar
GRDP	Gross Regional Domestic Product
HDI	Human Development Index
ID	Irrigation Department
ICDP	Integrated Community Development Project
ICRISAT	International Crops Research Institute for Semi-Arid Tropics
IMO	Indigenous Micro Organism (In Myanmar, it is called <i>dochakukin</i> as is Japanese)
IRRI	International Rice Research Institute
JICA	Japan International Cooperation Agency
LBVD	Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department
LFDB	Livestock and Fisheries Development Bank
LUD	Land Use Division
MADB	Myanma Agricultural Development Bank
MAPT	Myanma Agricultural Produce Trading
MAS	Myanma Agriculture Service
MC	Ministry of Cooperatives
MCSE	Myanma Cotton and Sericulture Enterprise
MDG	Millennium Development Goal
MEIS	Myanmar Export and Import Service
MFI	Micro Finance Institution
MFR	Ministry of Finance and Revenue
MFTB	Myanma Foreign Trade Bank
MICB	Myanma Investment and Commercial Bank
MJI	Myanma Jute Industries

MOLF	Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries
MLFDB	Myanma Livestock and Fisheries Development Bank
MOAI	Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation
MOF	Ministry of Forestry
MPCE	Myanma Perennial Crop Enterprise
MRTLC	Myanma Rice Trading Leading Committee
MRTSC	Myanma Rice Trading Sub-Committee
MSE	Myanma Sugarcane Enterprise
NCD	Newcastle Disease
NGO	Non-Government Organization
NPD	National Project Director (the Chief Counterpart to the JICA Study)
NPK	Nitrogen, Phosphate, Potassim
ODA	Official Development Assistance
PDC	Peace and Development Council
PPD	Plant Protection Division
PPP	Purchasing Power Parity
PRA	Participatory Rural Appraisal
SAMB	State Agricultural Marketing Board
SD	Seed Division
SLRD	Settlement and Land Records Department
SPDC	State Peace and Development Council
TS	Township (the smallest administrative unit where government institutions are placed)
UMMB	Urea Molasses and Mineral Block
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
VICO	Village Credit Organization
WFP	World Food Programme
WRUD	Water Resources Utilization Department
YAU	Yezin Agriculture University

FARMLAND TERMS IN MYANMAR

Le	Paddy land or wet land which can be used as paddy land
Yar	Upland
Kaing	Farmlands which appear in the flood lands in Ayeyarwady River as the water recedes
Kyun	Farmlands which appear on the alluvial sandbars in Ayeyarwady River as the water
	recedes

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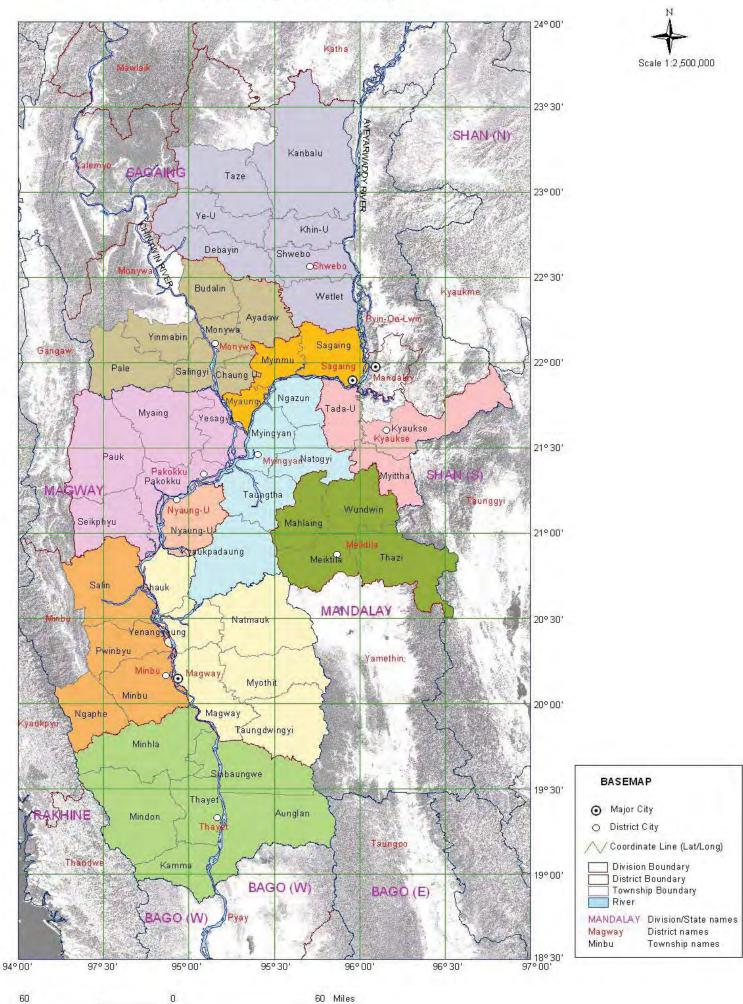
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1 basket	Groundnut	11.4 kg
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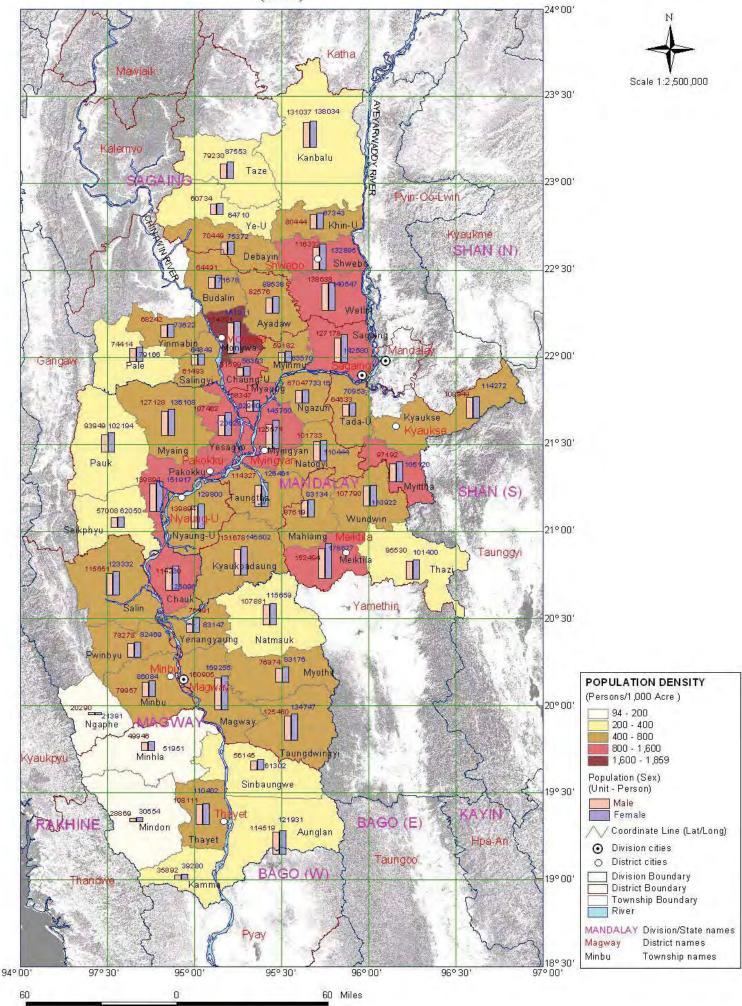
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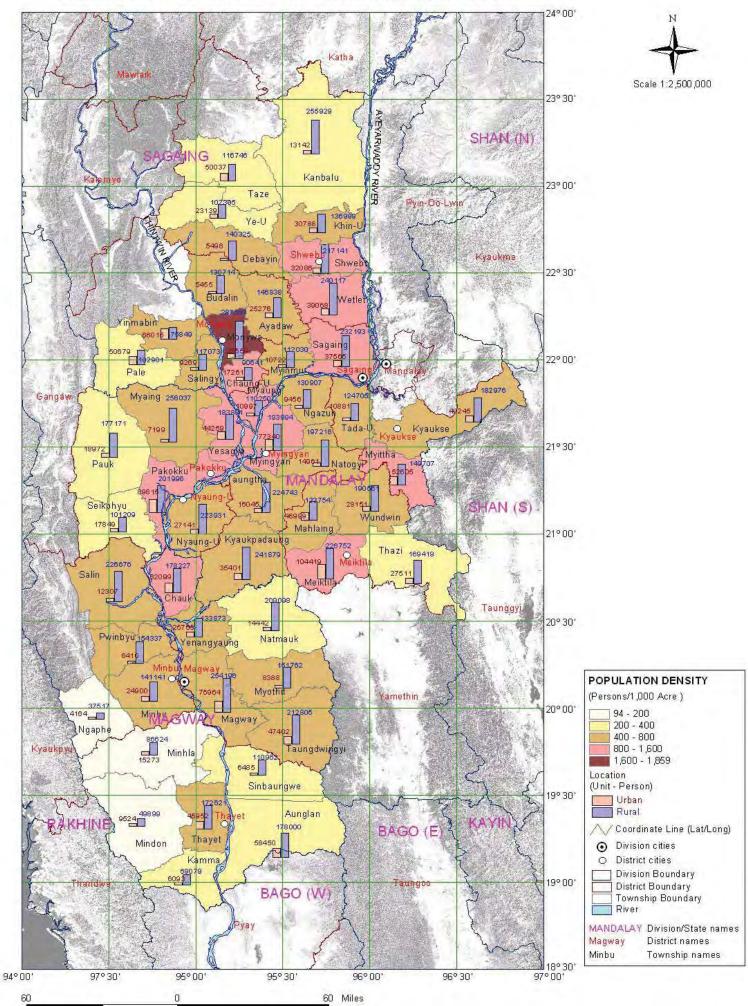


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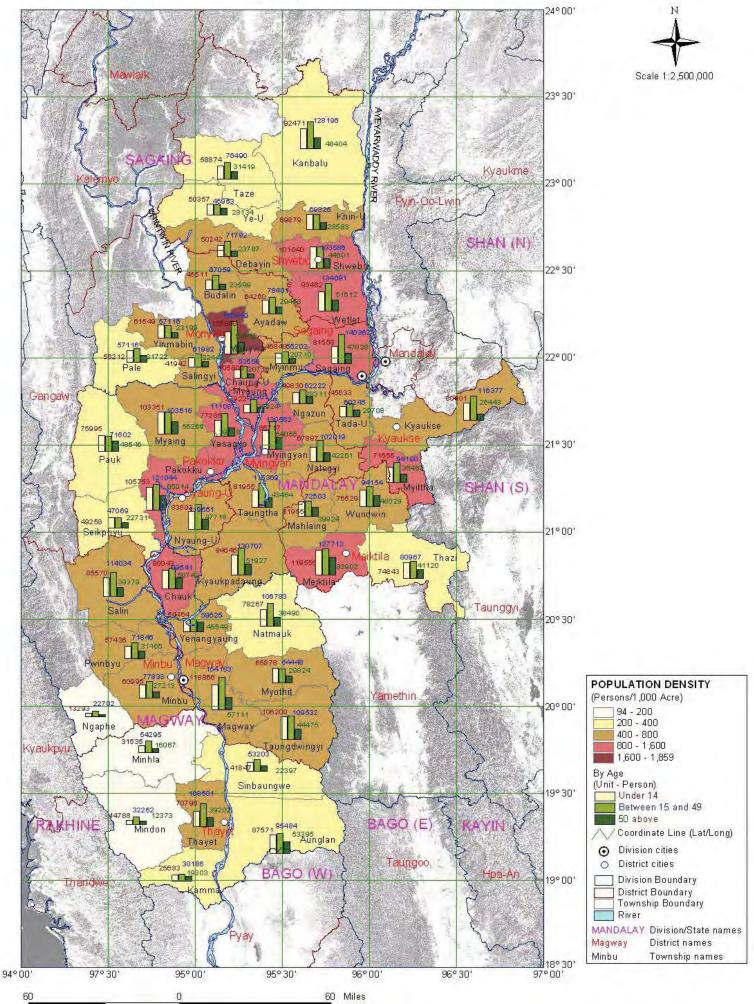
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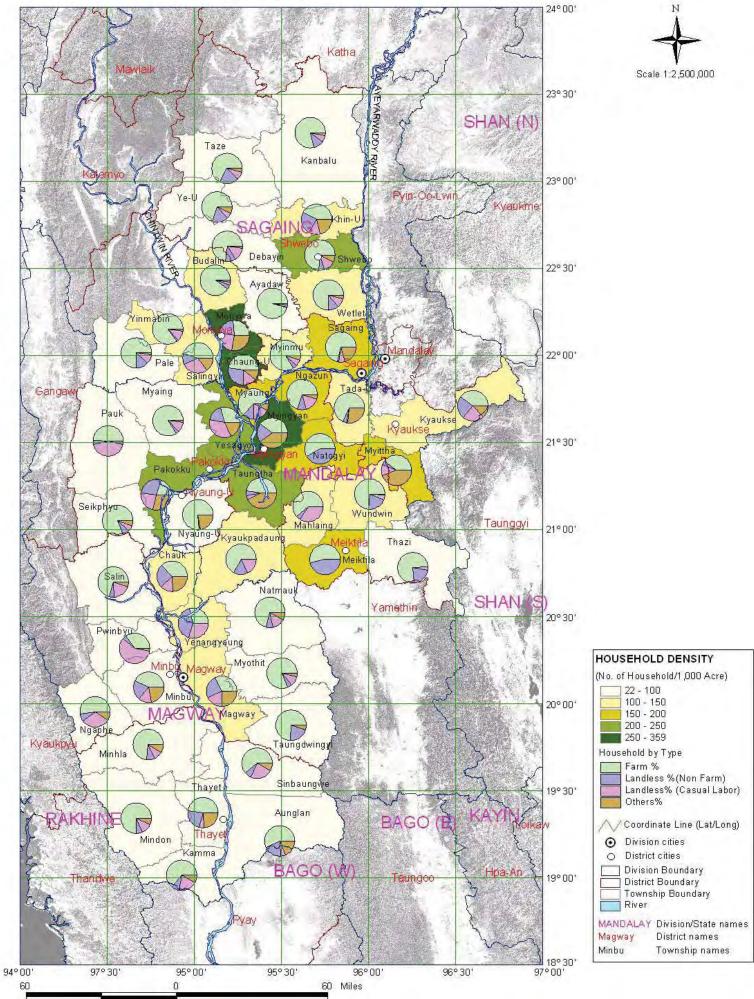
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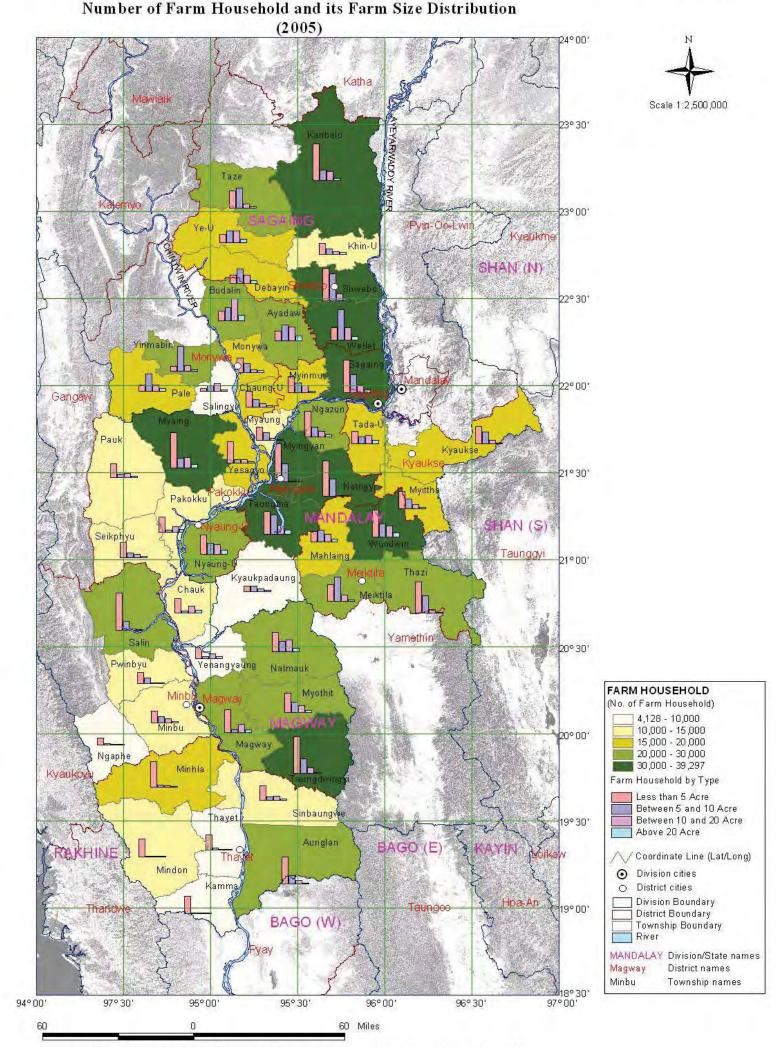


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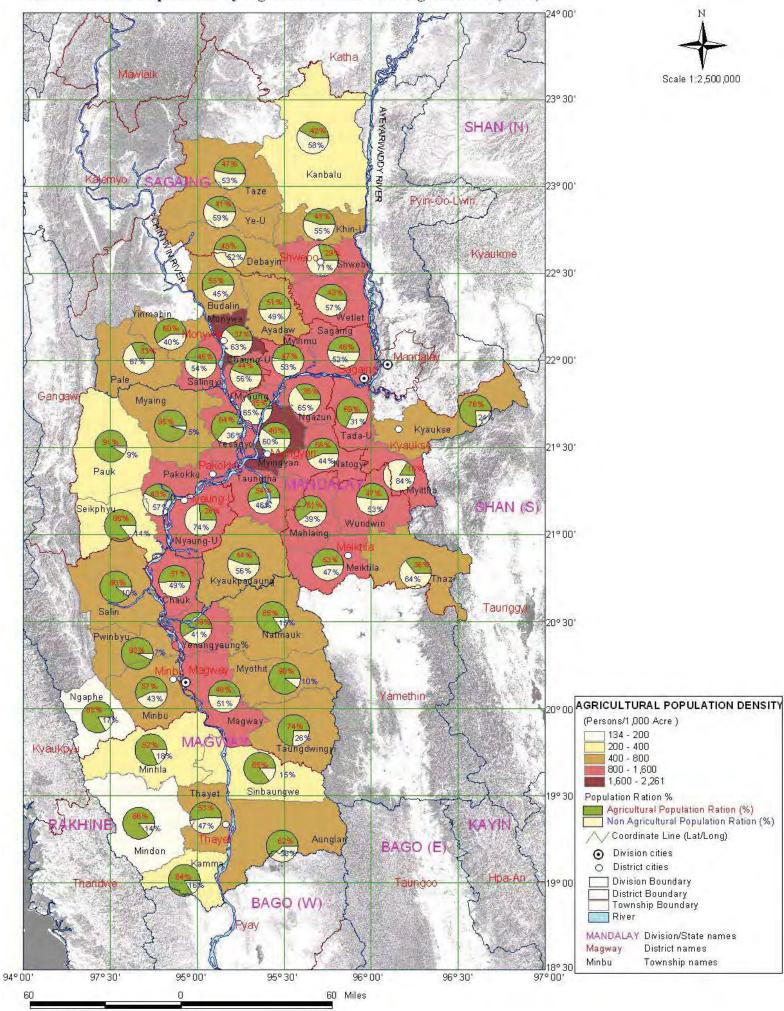


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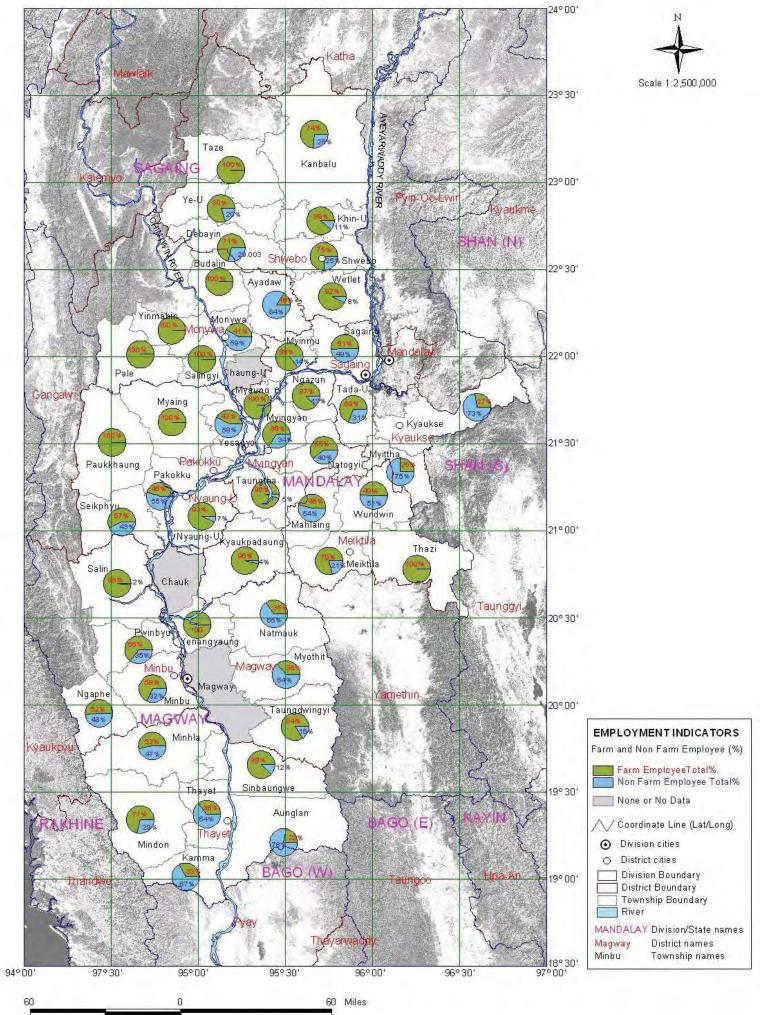
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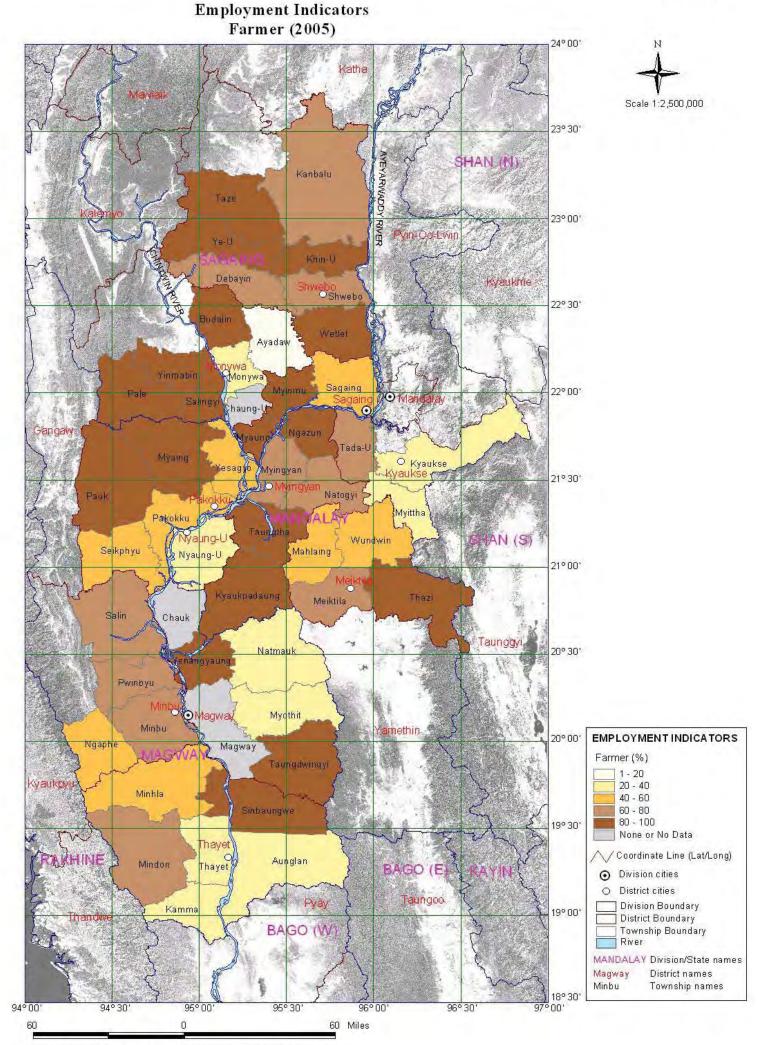
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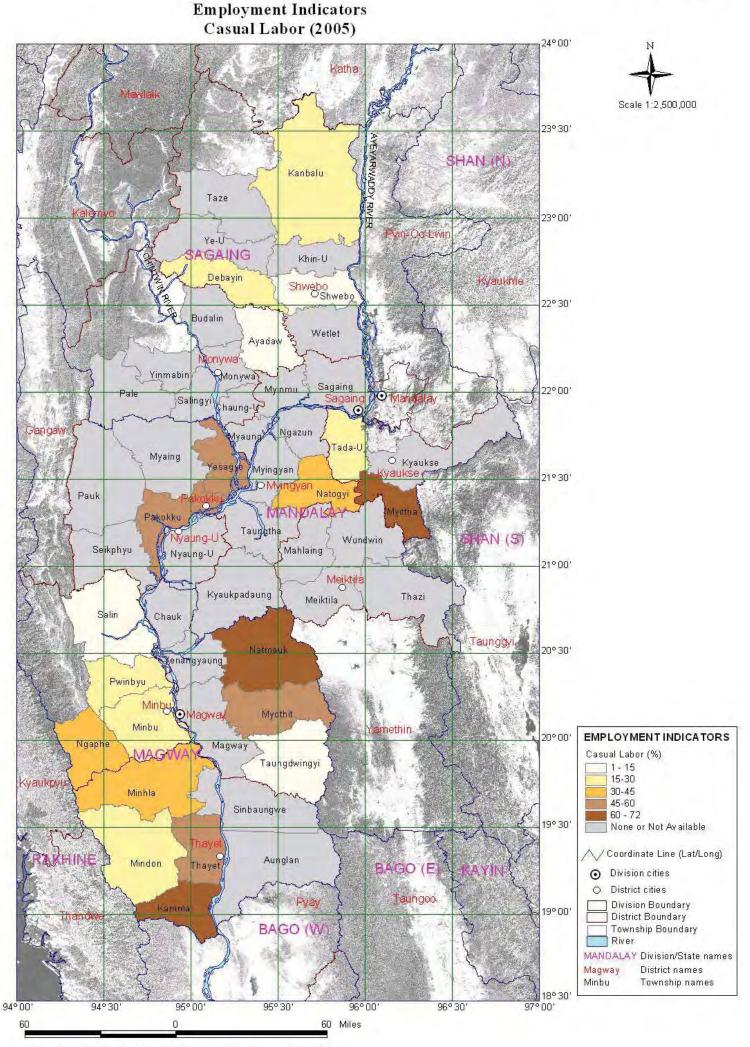
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