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- Deserts -
- Tundra -
- Wetlands -
- Savannas -
- Shrublands -
- Forests -
- Grasslands -
- Forage pasture?

PASTURELAND is differentiated from rangeland by the fact that periodic cultivation is used to maintain introduced (nonnative) forage species, and agronomic inputs such as irrigation and fertilization are applied annually.

Wild Open Spaces

- Grasslands, shrublands, woodlands, deserts, savannas, tundra, steppe, and prairies.
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All areas of the world that are not:

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Shrublands, grasslands, and open forest where several factors preclude farming or timber production:

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Are all rangelands grazed?

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- Rangelands are a kind of land – not a specific land use.



% of the EARTH is rangeland
(some estimates as high as 70%)



% of the US is rangeland



% of Western States is rangeland



% of the Idaho is rangeland



% of the Nevada

Why are rangelands important?

They cover a lot of ground!

___% = Rangeland

___% = Dense Forest

___% = Cropland

___% = Urban

___% = Ice, rocks and barrenlands

Rangeland are Important -for many resources:

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Forces that Threaten Rangelands?

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