



Medium Resolution Vegetation Phenology and Productivity: Season length (raster 500m), Oct. 2022

The raster file is the temporal trend in the length of the vegetation growing season. The length of growing season data set is based on the time series of the Plant Phenology Index (PPI) derived from the MODIS BRDF-Adjusted Reflectance product (MODIS MCD43 NBAR). The PPI index is optimized for efficient monitoring of vegetation phenology and is derived from the source MODIS data using radiative transfer solutions applied to the reflectance in visible-red and near infrared spectral domains. The season length indicator is based on calculating the start and end of the growing season from the annual PPI temporal curve using the TIMESAT software for each year between and including 2000 and 2021.

The Season Length (LENGTH), one of the Vegetation Phenology and Productivity (VPP) parameters, is a product of the pan-European High Resolution Vegetation Phenology and Productivity (HR-VPP) component of the Copernicus Land Monitoring Service (CLMS).

The Season Length is the number of days between the start and end dates of the vegetation growing season in the time profile of the Plant Phenology Index (PPI).

The Plant Phenology Index (PPI) is a physically based vegetation index, developed for improving the monitoring of the vegetation growth cycle. The PPI index values, with 5-day satellite revisit cycle, are first used in a function fitting to derive the PPI Seasonal Trajectories. From these Seasonal Trajectories, a suite of 13 Vegetation Phenology and Productivity (VPP) parameters are then computed and provided, for up to two seasons each year. The Season Length is one of the 13 parameters. The full list is available in the Product User Manual: https://land.copernicus.eu/user-corner/technical-library/clms_mrvpp_pum_d1-0.pdf

The Season Length time series dataset is made available as raster files with 500x 500m resolution, in ETRS89-LAEA projection corresponding to the MCD43 tiling grid, for those tiles that cover the EEA38 countries and the United Kingdom and for two seasons in each year from 2000 onwards. It is updated in the first quarter of each year.

The full on-line access to open and free data for this resource will be made available in the second half of 2024. Until then the data will be made available 'on-demand' by filling in the form at: <https://land.copernicus.eu/contact-form>

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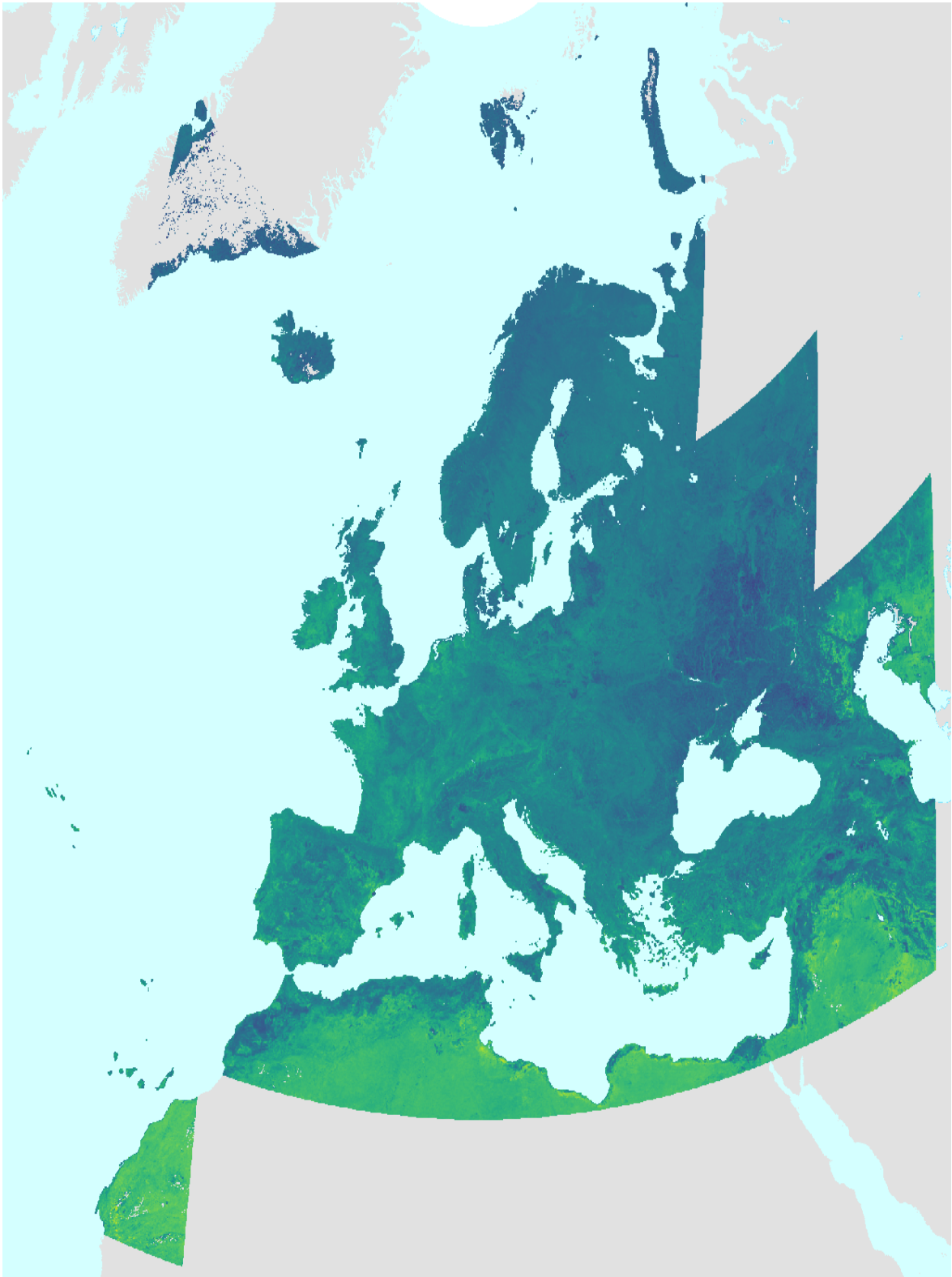
Statement	Vegetation Phenology and Productivity parameters (VPP) are based on Plant Phenology Index (PPI) seasonal trajectories and are yearly produced for two seasons using the Timesat software. One of the parameters is the the number of days between the start and end dates of the vegetation growing season (season length - LENGTH). The related start and end dates and the PPI values for those dates are available as well.
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