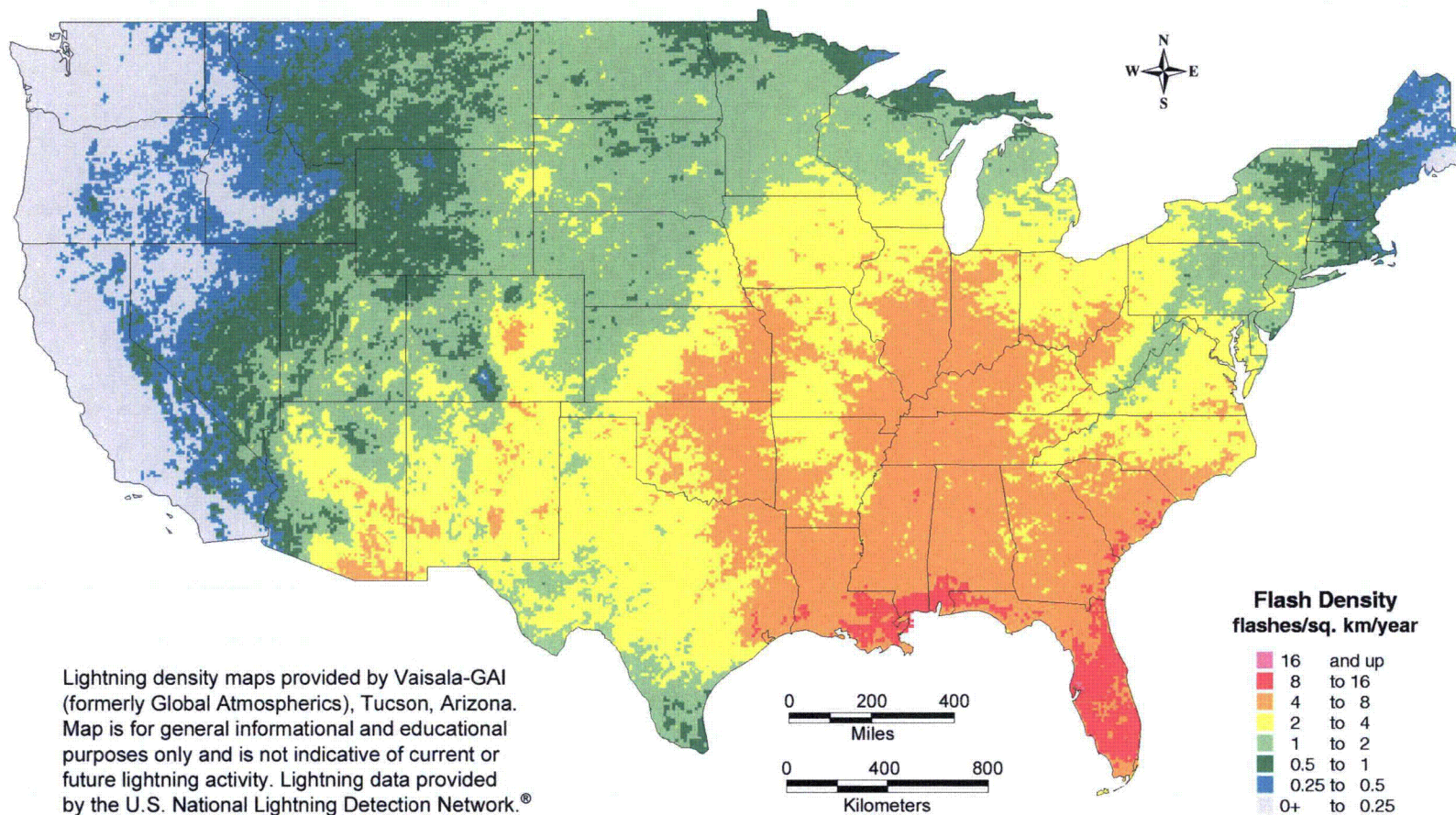
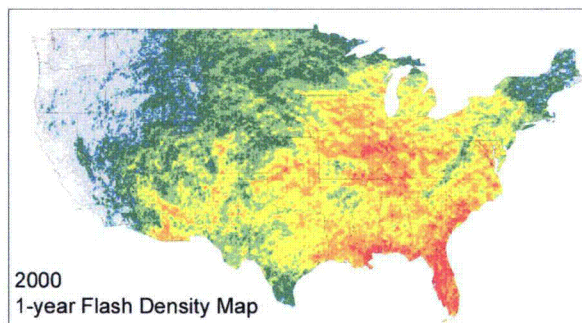
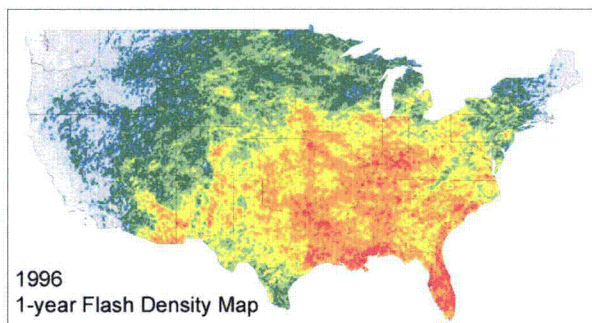


5-year Flash Density Map — U.S. (1996–2000)



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