

GLOBAL DRAINAGE BASIN CLASSIFICATION

Major River Systems by Discharge and Catchment Area

TOTAL LAND DRAINED

148.9M km²

EXORHEIC BASINS

82%

MAJOR BASINS

245

AVG. RUNOFF

315 mm/yr

River System	Continent	Drainage Area (km ²)	Avg. Discharge (m ³ /s)	Outlet Body
Amazon	South America	7,050,000	209,000	Atlantic Ocean
Congo	Africa	3,700,000	41,200	Atlantic Ocean
Mississippi	North America	3,202,000	16,790	Gulf of Mexico
Yenisei	Asia	2,580,000	19,600	Arctic Ocean
Danube	Europe	801,463	6,500	Black Sea
Murray-Darling	Oceania	1,061,000	767	Southern Ocean

Atlantic Slope
Pacific Slope
Indian Slope
Endorheic (Closed)