



GLOBE Biometry: Vegetative Covers Data Sheets

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GLOBE Biometry: Vegetative Covers Data Sheet (page 1)

Name: _____ Site Name: _____

Date: _____ Time (local): _____

	1	2	3	4	5	6
No.	Canopy*: T=tree SB=shrub - = sky	Canopy Species or common name	Canopy Type: E = evergreen D = deciduous	Ground: G = green B = brown - = no cover	Ground Type: GD = graminoid FB = forb SB = shrub DS = dwarf shrub OG = other	Total Shrubs: Put a "+" if "SB" is in columns 1 or 5
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
11						
12						

*Note: In a forest, canopy cover is the tree canopy. In a shrubland, canopy cover is the shrub canopy.

GLOBE Biometry: Vegetative Covers Data Sheet (page 2)

Name: _____ Site Name: _____

Date: _____ Time (local): _____

	1	2	3	4	5	6
No.	Canopy: T=tree SB=shrub - = sky	Canopy Species or common name	Canopy Type: E = evergreen D = deciduous	Ground: G = green B = brown - = no cover	Ground Type: GD = graminoid FB = forb SB = shrub DS = dwarf shrub OG = other	Total Shrubs: Put a “+” if “SB” is in columns 1 or 5
13						
14						
15						
16						
17						
18						
19						
20						
21						
22						
23						
24						

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GLOBE Biometry: Vegetative Covers Summary Sheet (page 3)

- Record the total number of observations (Total Obs) you took. This is the number of rows you filled out on your data table.

Total Obs =

- Complete the four summary tables below using your data table.

Summary of Column 1: Canopy	
Total "T"	
Total "SB"	
Total "-"	

Summary of Column 4: Ground	
Total "G"	
Total "B"	
Total "-"	

Summary of Column 3: Canopy Type	
Total "E"	
Total "D"	

Summary of Column 5: Ground Type	
Total "GD"	
Total "FB"	
Total "SB"	
Total "DS"	
Total "OG"	
Sum these for Total Herbs	

- Use the summary tables and the equations below to calculate your observation percentages.

% Tree Canopy = $\frac{\text{Total "T"}}{\text{Total Obs}} \times 100 =$
% Shrub Canopy = $\frac{\text{Total "SB"}}{\text{Total Obs}} \times 100 =$
% Evergreen = $\frac{\text{Total "E"}}{\text{Total "E" + Total "D"}} \times 100 =$
% Deciduous = $\frac{\text{Total "D"}}{\text{Total "E" + Total "D"}} \times 100 =$
% Ground Cover = $\frac{\text{Total "G" + Total "B"}}{\text{Total Obs}} \times 100 =$
% Total Shrubs = $\frac{\text{\# of "+" in Column 6}}{\text{Total Obs}} \times 100 =$
% Graminoid = $\frac{\text{Total "GD"}}{\text{Total Herbs}} \times 100 =$
Replace "G" above with the other ground types to find their percent cover and fill in values in the table to the right. →

% Forb	
% Shrub	
% Dwarf Shrub	
% Other	

- Use the percentages calculated in step 3 and a MUC Guide to determine your MUC.

MUC =

GLOBE Biometry: Site Definition

Name: _____ Site Name: _____

Date: _____ Time (local): _____

Location

Source of location data: ☐ GPS ☐ Phone ☐ Other: _____

If using GPS, complete the table below using a GPS receiver and recording coordinates once a minute for five minutes. Then transfer the values in the “AVERAGE” row to the spaces below.

If using a phone, leave the table blank.

Minute	Latitude	Longitude	Elevation (m)
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
AVERAGE			

Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____

Elevation: _____ m

MUC

For aid in determining MUC, use page 3 of the Vegetative Covers data sheet and a MUC Guide.

MUC Code: _____

Site Comments (Metadata):