

CORAL BLEACHING

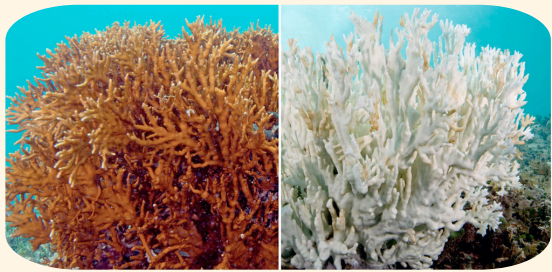


Recent studies link increased carbon emissions to ocean acidification— a process that accelerates coral bleaching. In order to improve reef productivity, **sustainable energy sources** & **coral-building technology** should be introduced.

According to NOAA

75%

of global reefs suffered from mass bleaching-level heat stress from 2014 to 2017.



A study from The International Coral Reef Initiative (ICRI) found that

>500

million people depend on coral reefs for food, income, coastal protection, and more.

Research shows that

75%

of reef species decline in abundance due to bleaching.



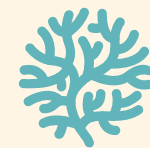
Global Warming

1/3 of humanity's carbon & 90% of excess heat is absorbed by oceans



Ocean Acidification

ocean acidity has increased 25% since preindustrial times



Coral Bleaching

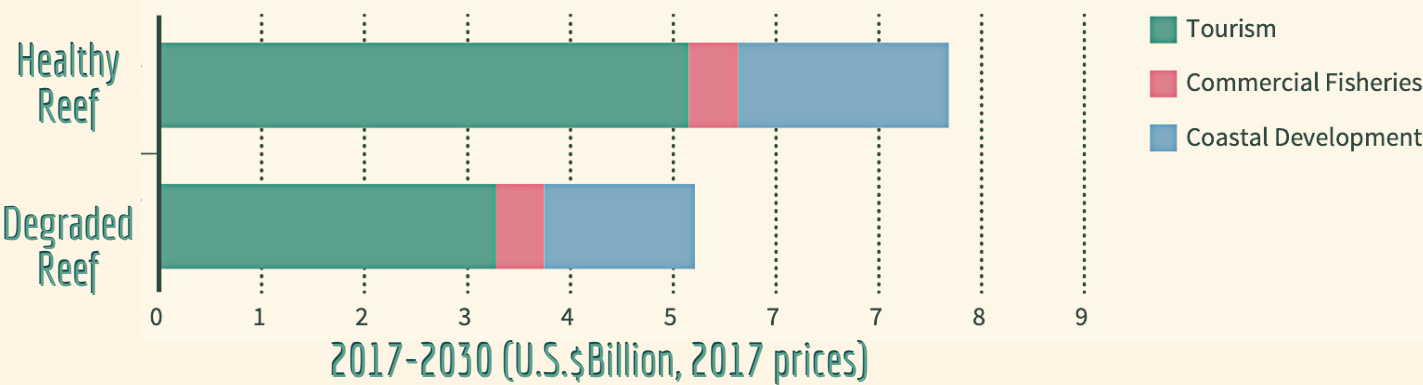
over 70% of reefs have been damaged worldwide



Loss of Aquatic Biodiversity

reef biodiversity has dropped by 63% worldwide

Value of Economic Returns from the Mesoamerican Reef



What can be done?

• Long term, coral-friendly government policies and regulations must be set, but for now, emerging tech such as Biorock™ can be a helpful shorter term solution.

• -Biorock™ helps coral regrow 2-10 times faster than other regrowth methods

Biorock™

Biorock uses charged steel rods formed into structures to enhance the settlement, growth, & health of aquatic organisms/ecosystems.



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