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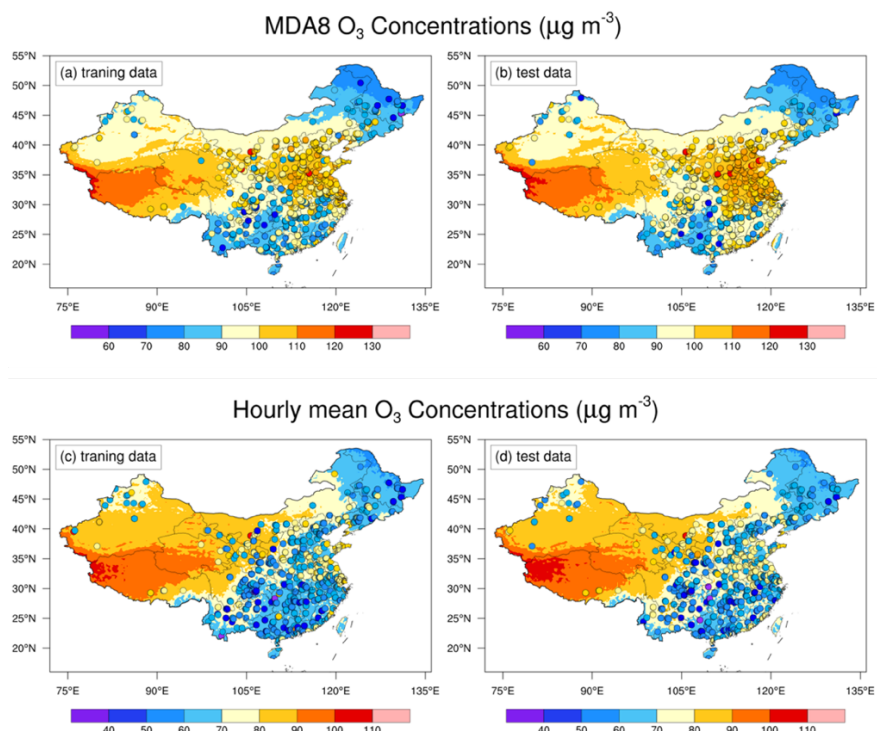


Figure S1. The spatial distribution of O<sub>3</sub> observations (dots) and hybrid model predictions (shaded): (a) MDA8-O<sub>3</sub> concentrations of training data; (b) MDA8-O<sub>3</sub> concentrations of test data; (c) hourly O<sub>3</sub> concentrations of training data; and (d) hourly O<sub>3</sub> concentrations of test data.

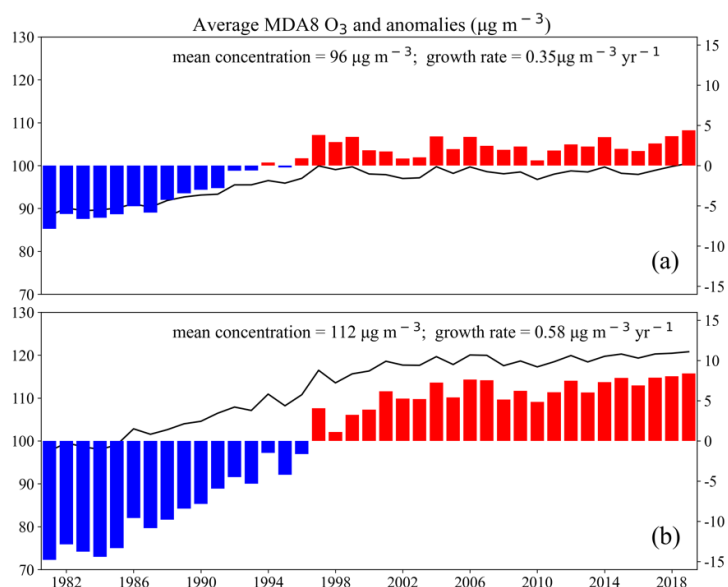
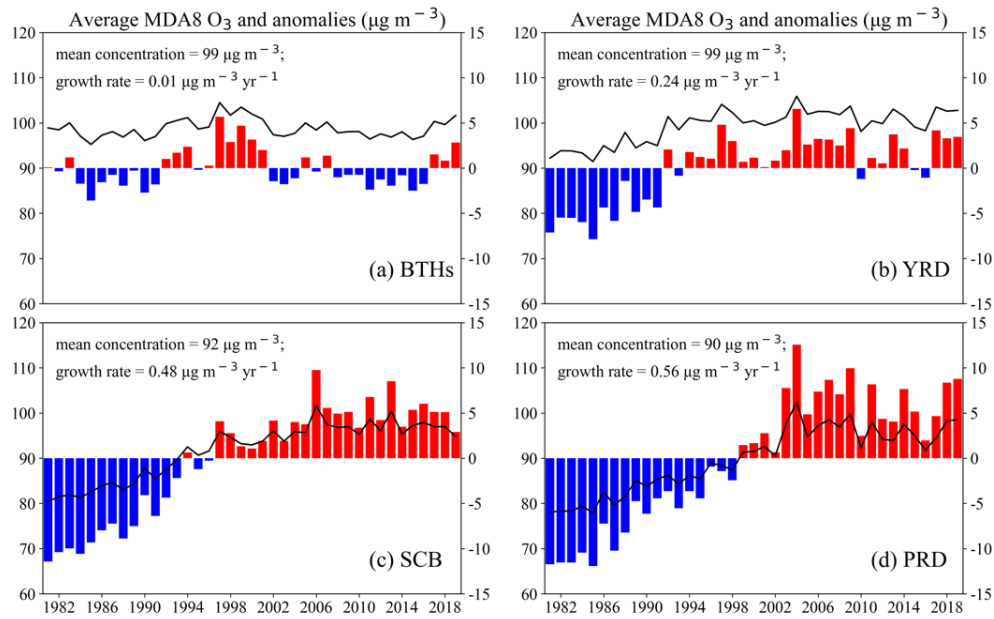
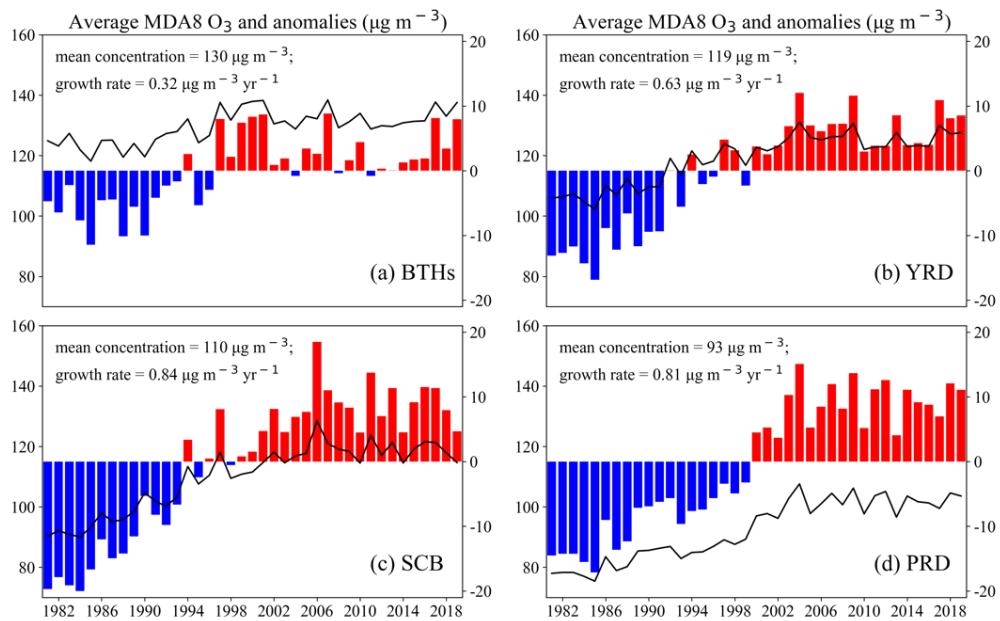


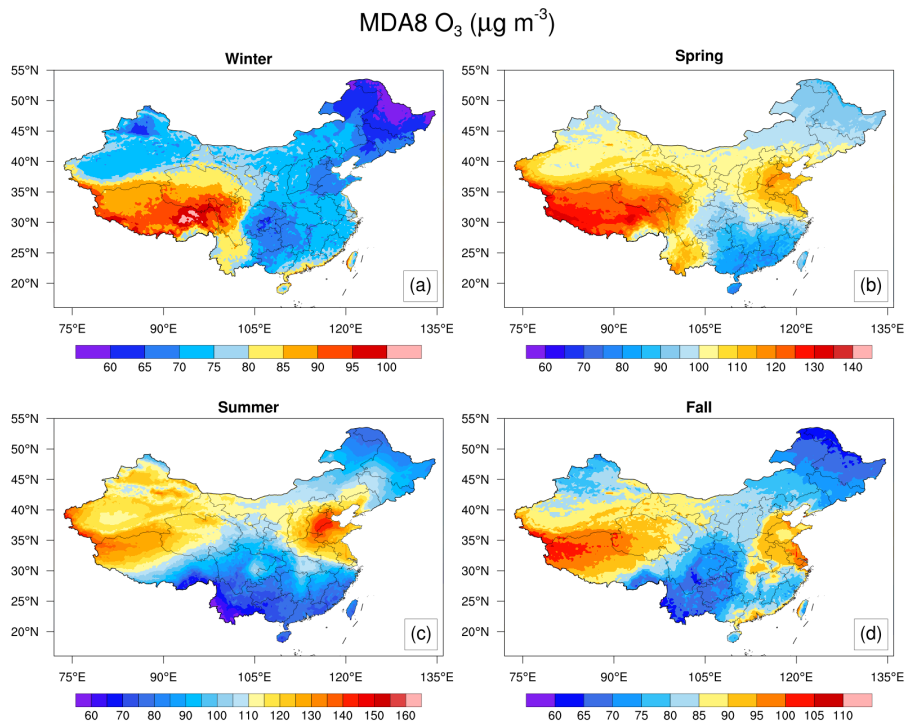
Figure S2. The GEOS-Chem-simulated MDA8-O<sub>3</sub> predictions (black line; left y axis) and corresponding anomalies (colored bar; right y axis) from 1981 to 2019: (a) annual mean; and (b) warm-season mean (May-September). Observed trends (growth rate) are obtained by ordinary linear regression on mean values of MDA8-O<sub>3</sub>. The anomalies are defined as annual mean minus the multi-decadal average over 1981-2019.



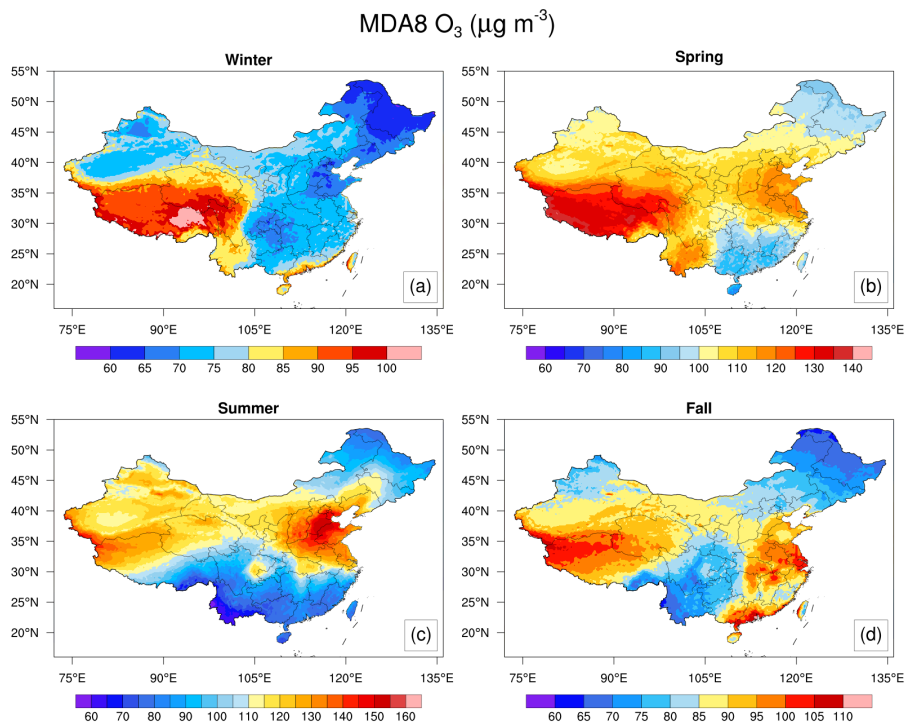
**Figure S3.** The annual averaged MDA8 O<sub>3</sub> concentrations of bias-corrected predictions (black line; left y axis) and corresponding anomalies (colored bar; right y axis) from 1981 to 2019: (a) BTHs; (b) YRD; (c) SCB; and (d) PRD. Observed trends (growth rate) are obtained by ordinary linear regression on mean values of MDA8 O<sub>3</sub>.



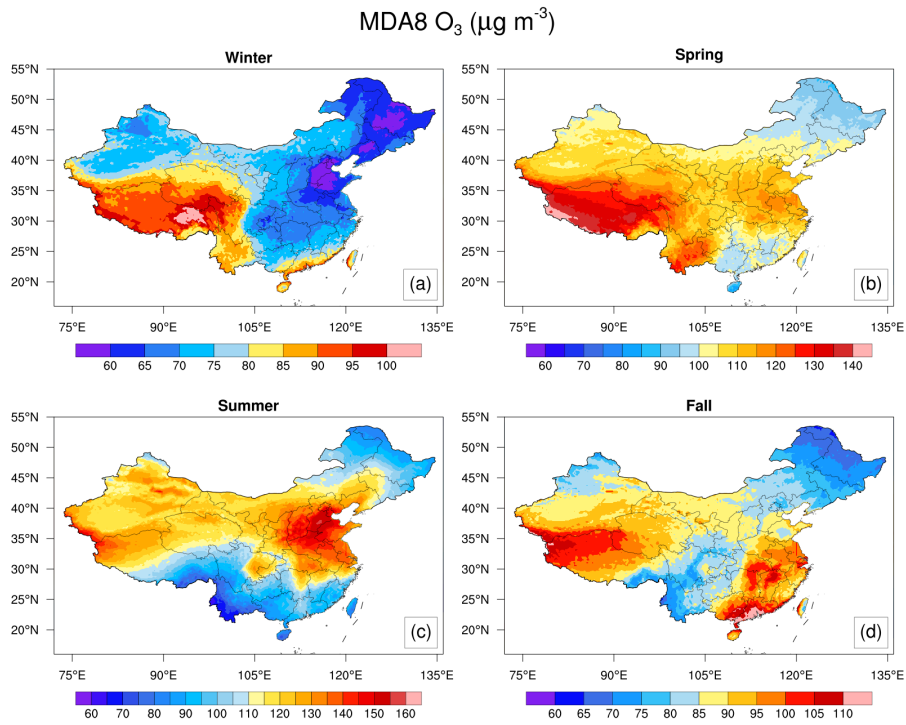
**Figure S4.** The same as Figure S3, but for warm-season averaged MDA8 O<sub>3</sub> concentrations.



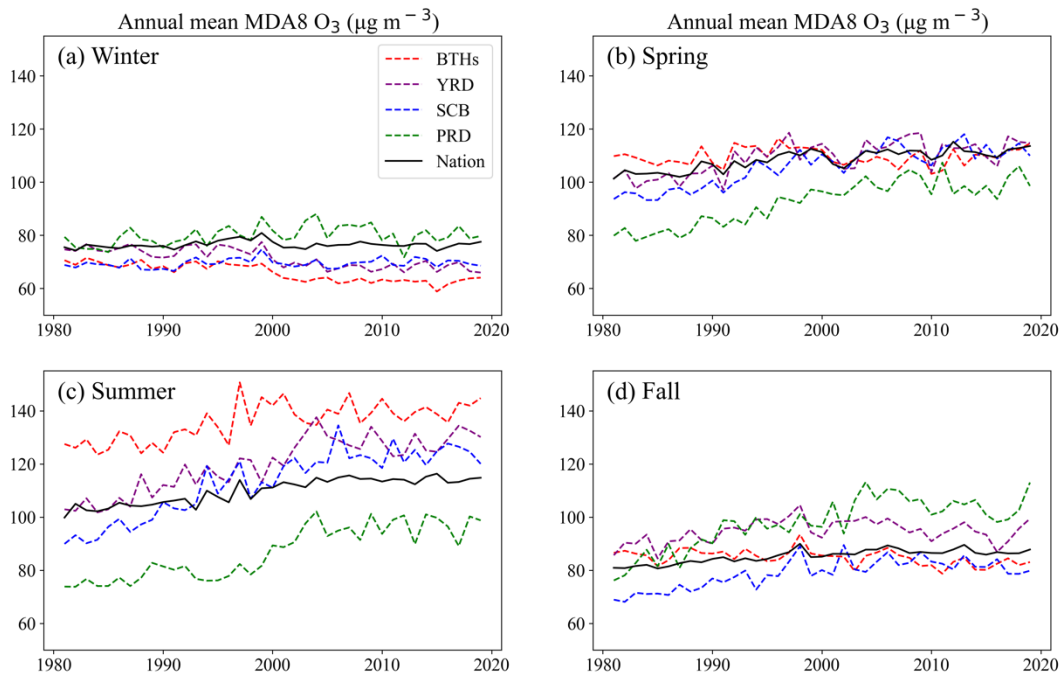
**Figure S5. Spatial distribution of the bias-corrected MDA8-O<sub>3</sub> predictions ( $\mu\text{g m}^{-3}$ ) from 1981–1990: (a) winter; (b) spring; (c) summer; and (d) fall.**



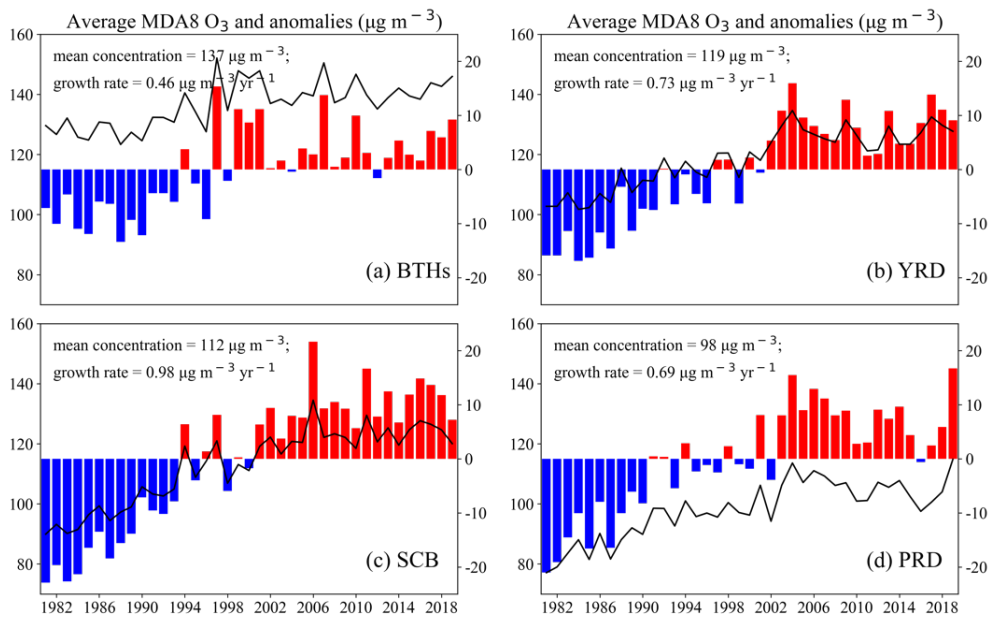
**Figure S6. Same as Fig. S6 but for the period of 1991–2000.**



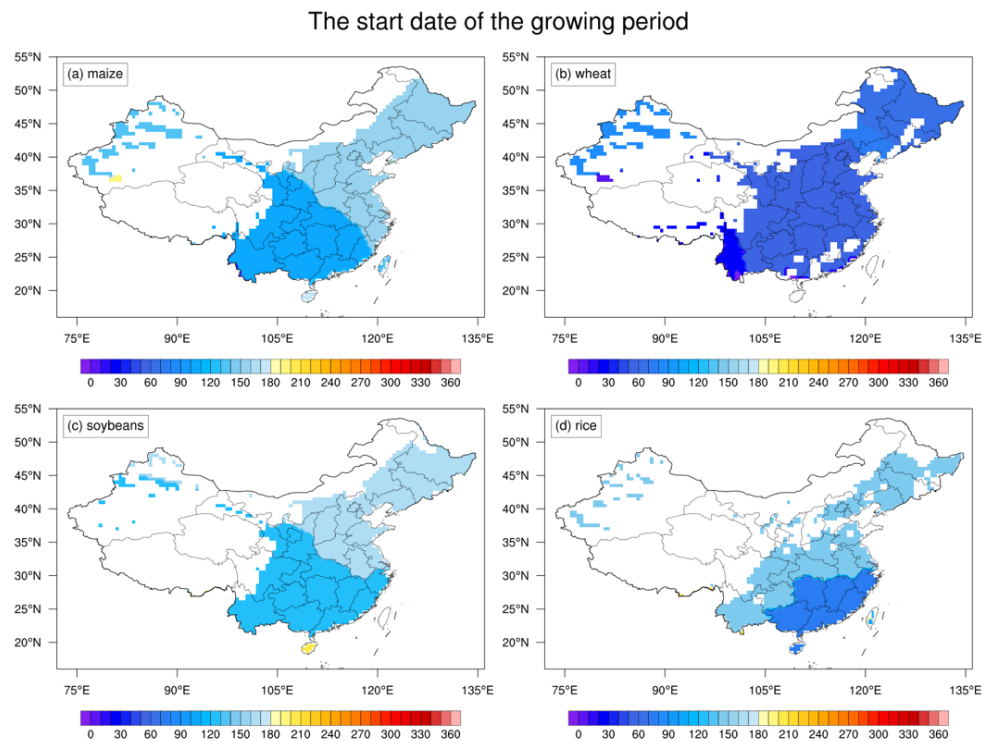
**Figure S7.** Same as Fig. S6 but for the period of 2001–2010.



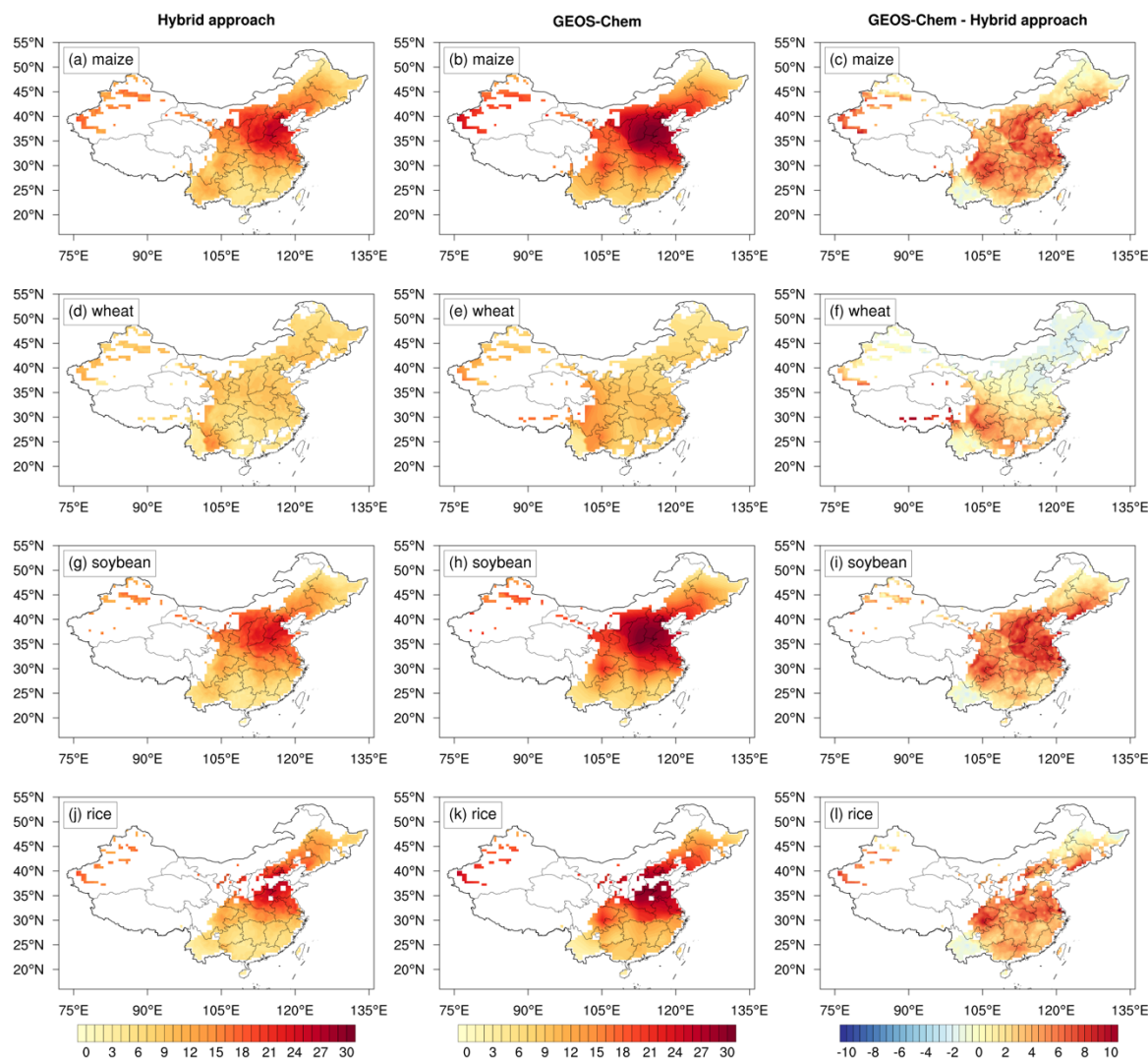
**Figure S8.** The seasonal averaged bias-corrected MDA8-O<sub>3</sub> concentrations in different regions from 1981 to 2019: (a) winter; (b) spring; (c) summer; and (d) fall.



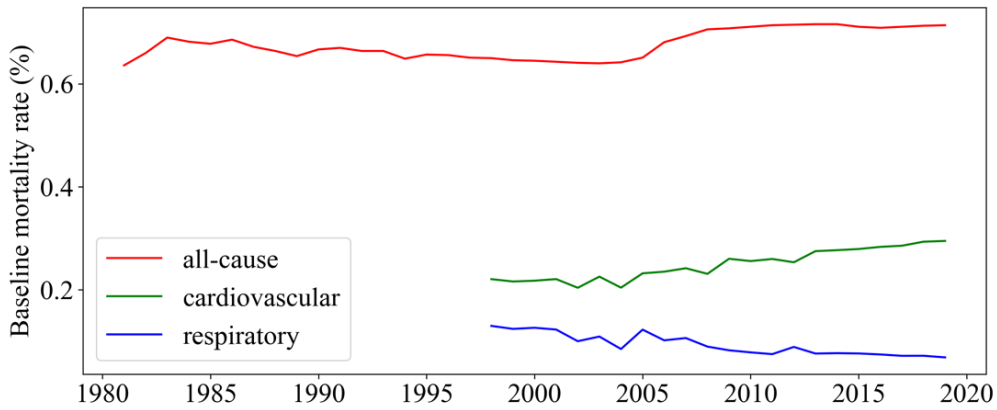
**Figure S9.** The same as Figure S3, but for summer averaged MDA8 O<sub>3</sub> concentrations in BTHs, YRD and SCB, and fall averaged MDA8 O<sub>3</sub> concentrations in PRD.



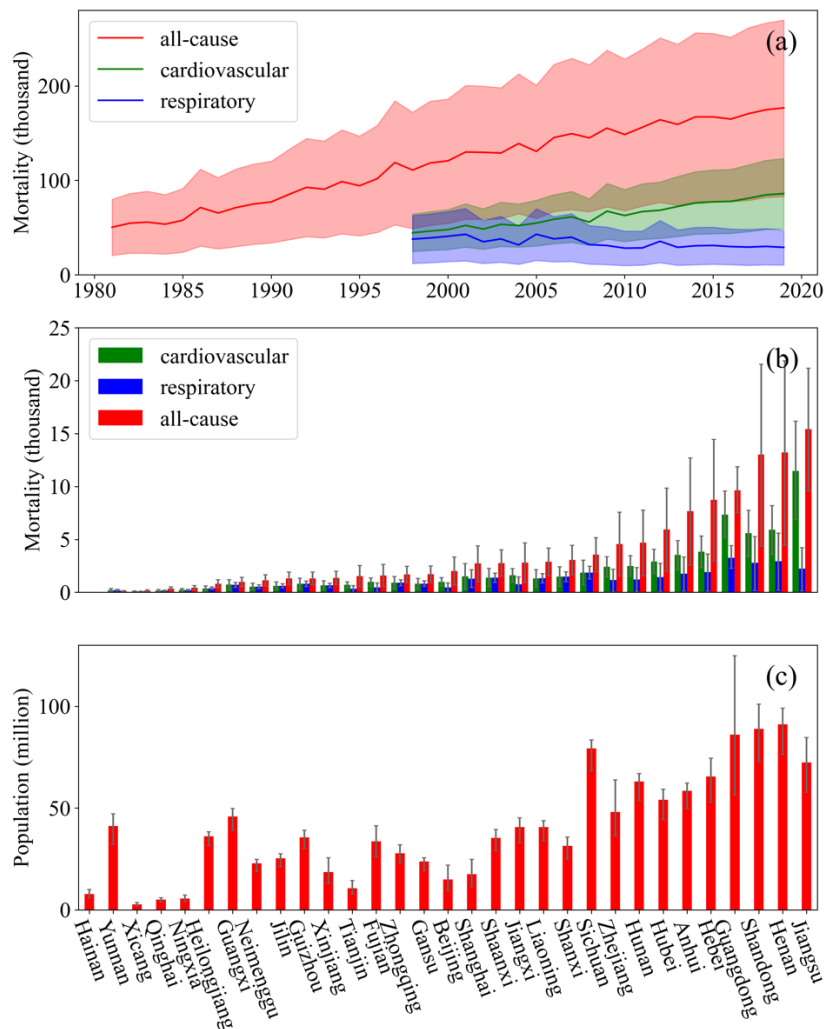
**Figure S10.** The start of the growing period for crops: (a) maize; (b) wheat; (c) soybean; and (d) rice. The growing period are defined as the 90 days prior to the start of the harvesting period according to the crop calendar.



**Figure S11. Spatial distribution of annual average AOT40 for four staple crops during the growing season. The estimated AOT40 using bias-corrected O<sub>3</sub>: (a) maize; (d) wheat; (g) soybean; and (j) rice. The estimated AOT40 using GEOS-Chem-simulated O<sub>3</sub>: (b) maize; (e) wheat; (h) soybean; and (k) rice. The differences in estimated AOT40 between GEOS-Chem-simulated and bias-corrected O<sub>3</sub>: (c) maize; (f) wheat; (i) soybean; and (l) rice. The GEOS-Chem-simulated O<sub>3</sub> were regridded to 0.5°×0.5° for comparison with bias-corrected O<sub>3</sub>.**



**Figure S12. Annual baseline mortality rate (%) for particular disease: (a) all-cause disease; (b) cardiovascular disease; and (c) respiratory disease.**



**Figure S13. (a) Annual premature mortality (thousand) for different diseases over the past decades; (b) annual mean province-based mortality (thousand) attributed to different health endpoints; and (c) annual mean province-based population (million). The mortality is calculated using the GEOS-Chem-simulated O<sub>3</sub>.**

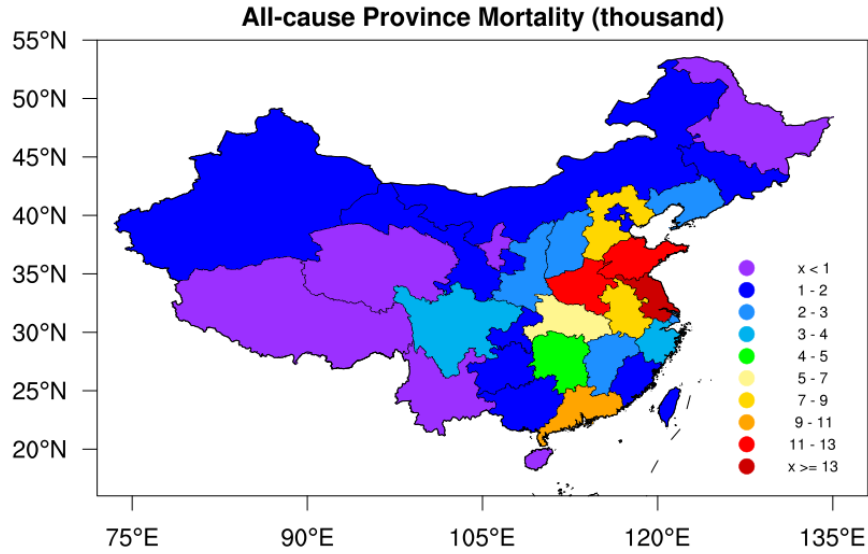


Figure S14. Provincial annual premature mortality (thousand) for all-cause diseases from 1981 to 2019.

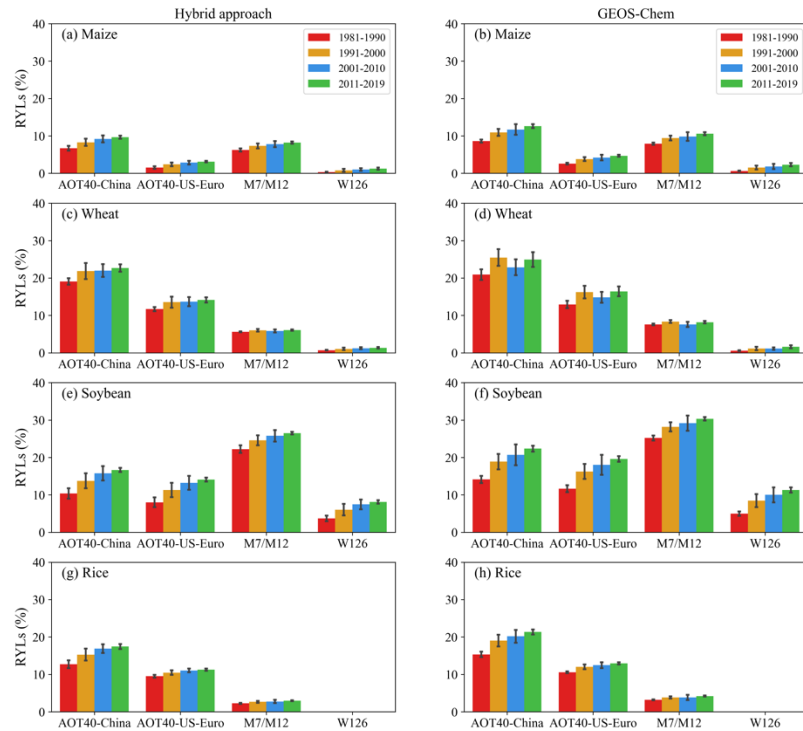


Figure S15. The estimated decadal mean relative yield losses (RYLs) of four staple crops using different metrics and dose-yield relationships from 1981–2019. The estimated RYLs using bias-corrected  $O_3$ : (a) maize; (c) wheat; (e) soybean; and (g) rice. The estimated RYLs using GEOS-Chem-simulated  $O_3$ : (b) maize; (d) wheat; (f) soybean; and (h) rice. The error bar represents the standard deviation. The dose-yield relationships of AOT40-US-Euro for four crops are derived from (Mills et al., 2007), M7 for rice and wheat are from (Adams et al., 1989), M12 for soybean and maize are from (Lesser et al., 1990), and W126 for maize, wheat and soybean are from (Tai et al., 2021), respectively.



**Table S1 The information of the candidate variables used for training.**

<b>Symbols</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Source</b>
GEOS_O <sub>3</sub>	ppb	GEOS-Chem-simulated O <sub>3</sub>	GEOS-Chem output
Lat	°	Latitude of site/grid	
Lon	°	Longitude of site/grid	
Hourly_O <sub>3</sub>	μg m <sup>-3</sup>	Hourly mean O <sub>3</sub> concentration	Calculated from GEOS_O <sub>3</sub>
Monthly_O <sub>3</sub>	μg m <sup>-3</sup>	Monthly mean O <sub>3</sub> concentration	Calculated from GEOS_O <sub>3</sub>
Albedo		Surface albedo	ERA5
SSRD	J m <sup>-2</sup>	Downward surface solar radiation	ERA5
SP	Pa	Surface pressure	ERA5
T2M	K	Air temperature at 2m	ERA5
RH_1000hPa	%	Relative humidity at 1000 hPa	ERA5
RH_850hPa	%	Relative humidity at 850 hPa	ERA5
U10	m s <sup>-1</sup>	U component of wind at 10 m	ERA5
V10	m s <sup>-1</sup>	V component of wind at 10 m	ERA5
U_1000hPa	m s <sup>-1</sup>	U component of wind at 1000 hPa	ERA5
V_1000hPa	m s <sup>-1</sup>	V component of wind at 1000 hPa	ERA5
U_850hPa	m s <sup>-1</sup>	U component of wind at 850 hPa	ERA5
V_850hPa	m s <sup>-1</sup>	V component of wind at 850 hPa	ERA5
Omega_1000hPa	Pa s <sup>-1</sup>	Vertical velocity at 1000 hPa	ERA5
Omega_850hPa	Pa s <sup>-1</sup>	Vertical velocity at 850 hPa	ERA5
Elevation	m	Elevation of site/grid	RESDC
LU		Land use type of site/grid	RESDC

**Table S2 Statistical relationships between relative yields (RYs) and AOT40. RY is defined as the ratio of O<sub>3</sub>-affected yield to the unaffected yield at zero O<sub>3</sub> exposure.**

Crop	Dose-yield relationship	References
Maize	$RY = 1 - S[AOT40 + (40 - x) * 1.08 - (20.22 - 0.01264x^2) / (1 + 0.207 AOT40 - 0.0001293x^2 AOT40)] / [1 - S (22.98 - 1.08x + 0.01264x^2)],$ <p>S = 0.0068 and x= 40.0</p>	(Feng et al., 2022)
Wheat	$RY = 1 - S[AOT40 + (40 - x) * 1.08 - (20.22 - 0.01264x^2) / (1 + 0.207 AOT40 - 0.0001293x^2 AOT40)] / [1 - S (22.98 - 1.08x + 0.01264x^2)],$ <p>S = 0.0161 and x= 26.5</p>	(Feng et al., 2022)
Soybean	RY = 1 - 0.012AOT40	(Zhang et al., 2017)
Rice	$RY = 1 - S[AOT40 + (40 - x) * 1.08 - (20.22 - 0.01264x^2) / (1 + 0.207 AOT40 - 0.0001293x^2 AOT40)] / [1 - S (22.98 - 1.08x + 0.01264x^2)],$ <p>S = 0.0071 and x = 19.4</p>	(Feng et al., 2022)

**Table S3 Seasonal averaged MDA8 O<sub>3</sub> concentrations (µg m<sup>-3</sup>) in each region from 1981 to 2019. The differences are GEOS-Chem minus Hybrid approach.**

Seasons	Region	Hybrid approach	GEOS-Chem	Differences
Winter	BTHs	65 ± 4	63 ± 7	-2 ± 3
	YRD	73 ± 3	72 ± 7	-2 ± 4
	SCB	69 ± 2	79 ± 2	10 ± 1
	PRD	81 ± 4	87 ± 3	6 ± 2
	Nation	73 ± 2	76 ± 3	3 ± 2
Spring	BTHs	109 ± 3	102 ± 4	-7 ± 3
	YRD	109 ± 6	110 ± 5	1 ± 3
	SCB	106 ± 7	112 ± 8	7 ± 2
	PRD	93 ± 9	93 ± 11	6 ± 3
	Nation	106 ± 4	105 ± 4	-1 ± 1
Summer	BTHs	137 ± 8	142 ± 7	5 ± 2
	YRD	119 ± 10	125 ± 11	6 ± 4
	SCB	113 ± 12	120 ± 14	7 ± 3
	PRD	88 ± 10	87 ± 15	-1 ± 5
	Nation	111 ± 7	114 ± 9	3 ± 2
Fall	BTHs	83 ± 3	83 ± 5	-1 ± 2
	YRD	95 ± 4	103 ± 3	6 ± 2
	SCB	79 ± 5	95 ± 7	17 ± 3
	PRD	98 ± 10	101 ± 12	3 ± 4
	Nation	86 ± 3	92 ± 4	6 ± 1

**Table S4 Exposure-response coefficients for the short-term health impacts of O<sub>3</sub>.**

Health outcomes	Coefficients $\beta$	95% CI	Study region/year	Referenced paper
All-cause	4.5E-04	1.6E-04 – 7.3E-04	Shanghai (2001–04)	(Zhang et al., 2006)
	5.5E-04	3.4E-04 – 7.6E-04	Jiangsu (2013–14)	(Chen et al., 2017)
	8.1E-04	6.3E-04 – 1.00E-03	PRD (2006–08)	(Tao et al., 2011)
	3.6E-04	1.2E-04 – 6.0E-04	East China (2005–30)	(Madaniyazi et al., 2016)
	2.4E-04	1.3E-04 – 3.5E-04	Nationwide (2013–15)	(Yin et al., 2017)
Cardiovascular	5.3E-04	1.0E-04 – 9.6E-04	Shanghai (2001–04)	(Zhang et al., 2006)
	9.8E-04	5.8E-04 – 1.4E-03	Jiangsu (2013–14)	(Chen et al., 2017)
	1.01E-03	7.1E-04 – 1.32E-03	PRD (2006–08)	(Tao et al., 2011)
	3.8E-04	2.3E-04 – 5.3E-04	East China (2005–30)	(Madaniyazi et al., 2016)
	2.7E-04	1.0E-04 – 4.4E-04	Nationwide (2013–15)	(Yin et al., 2017)
Respiratory	3.5E-04	-4.0E-04 – 1.09E-03	Shanghai (2001–04)	(Zhang et al., 2006)
	1.3E-03	8.9E-04 – 1.76E-03	PRD (2006–08)	(Tao et al., 2011)
	5.1E-04	3.0E-05 – 9.8E-04	East China (2005–30)	(Madaniyazi et al., 2016)
	7.3E-04	4.9E-04 – 9.7E-04	Nationwide	(Shang et al., 2013)

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