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Actually, these are very good atlases of resources and peoples full stop - what's endangerment for one is success for another, after all. As befits atlases, the meat of these two lies in their maps which show what's happening resource- and demography-wise in and around the earthly land-masses. A complex but workable array of symbols directs our attention to, say, the pros and cons of Brazilian sugar-alcohol production, the growth of wind farms in California, gross atmospheric pollution in Eastern Europe and habitat loss in the southern Sahara.

The text comes in energy-rich goblets headed by the same symbols and catchy one-liners like 'Monoculture madness', and 'Sex-change pollution'. This makes for rewarding browsing as well as gratifying the systematic approach via each book's double index (one for places, one for subjects). And the two atlases act symbolically - when read in parallel, their contributions continuously complement each other so that the reader realises the two endangerments are but different sides of the same garment that humankind has made for itself - to which may be added that 'endangerments' is very nearly an anagram of 'garment ends'. Enough said? Definitely worth seeing for yourself.

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