



Map 3.1 *Byzantine Retrenchment and Expansion, c. 850–1050* See Map 2.2 for the full extent of the Eastern Empire c. 500. The Byzantines lost all of the southern part of that empire to Islamic conquest. Thereafter, they wielded authority over just Greece, the Balkans, Asia Minor, and the extreme south of the Italian peninsula. The different hatching of this map shows how Byzantine authority over these regions was reduced by the 800s and then slowly expanded until c. 1050.