Remote Sensing of Amazon Deforestation & Forest Degradation

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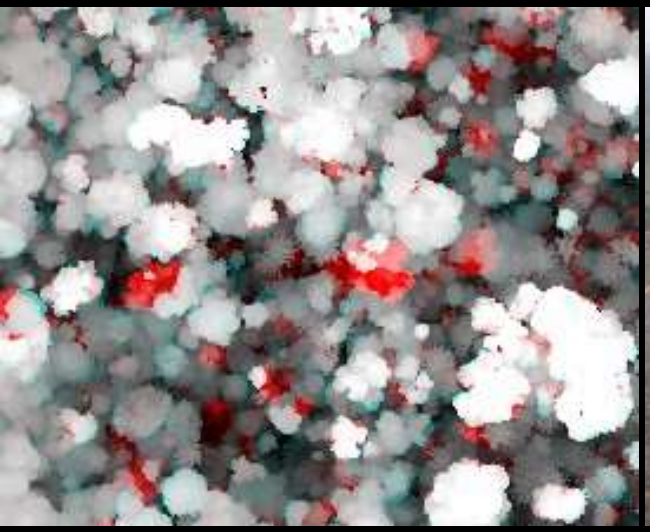

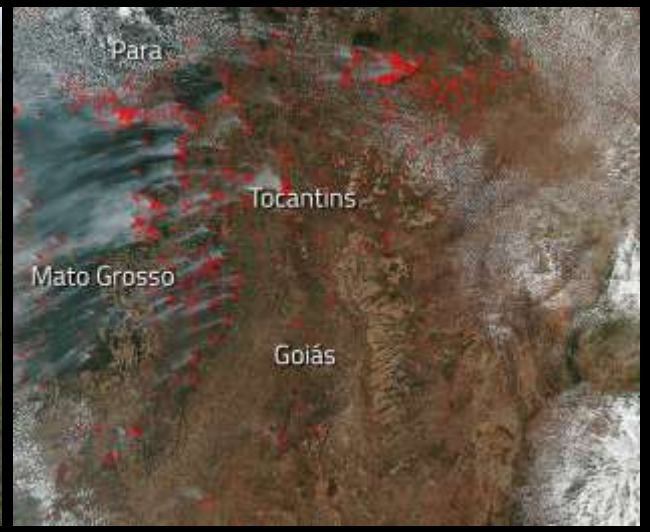

Outline:

- NASA
- Deforestation
- Degradation
- Fire

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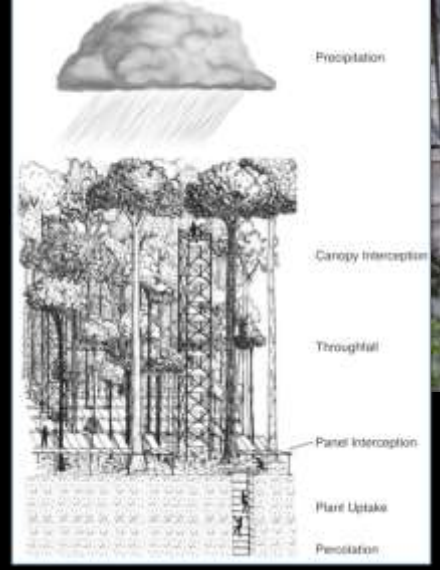
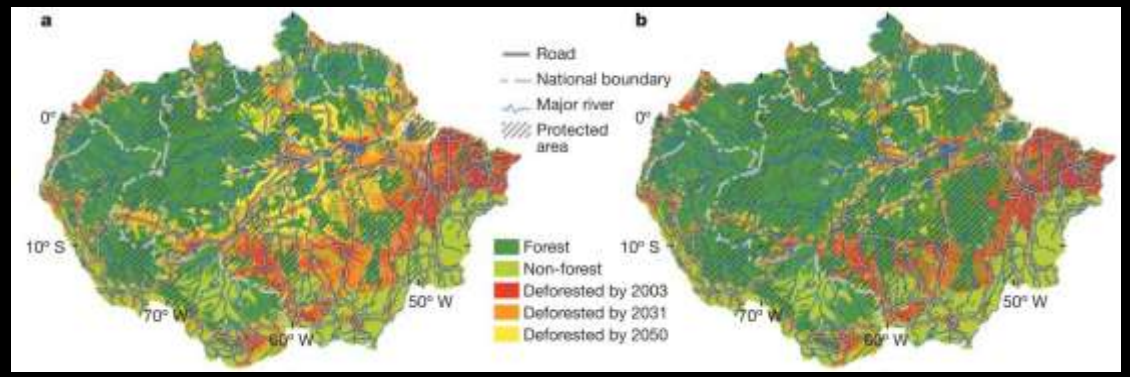


Nepstad *et al*., 2007

Deforestation



Soares-Filho *et al*., 2006

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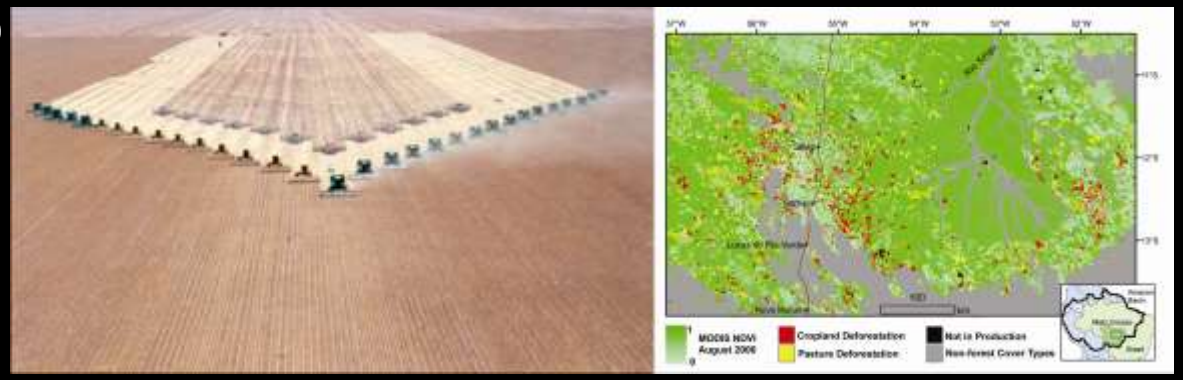

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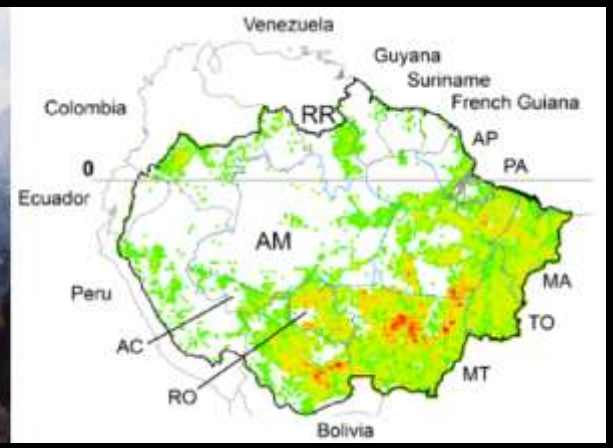

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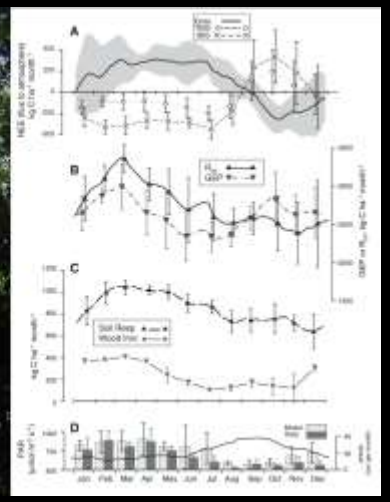
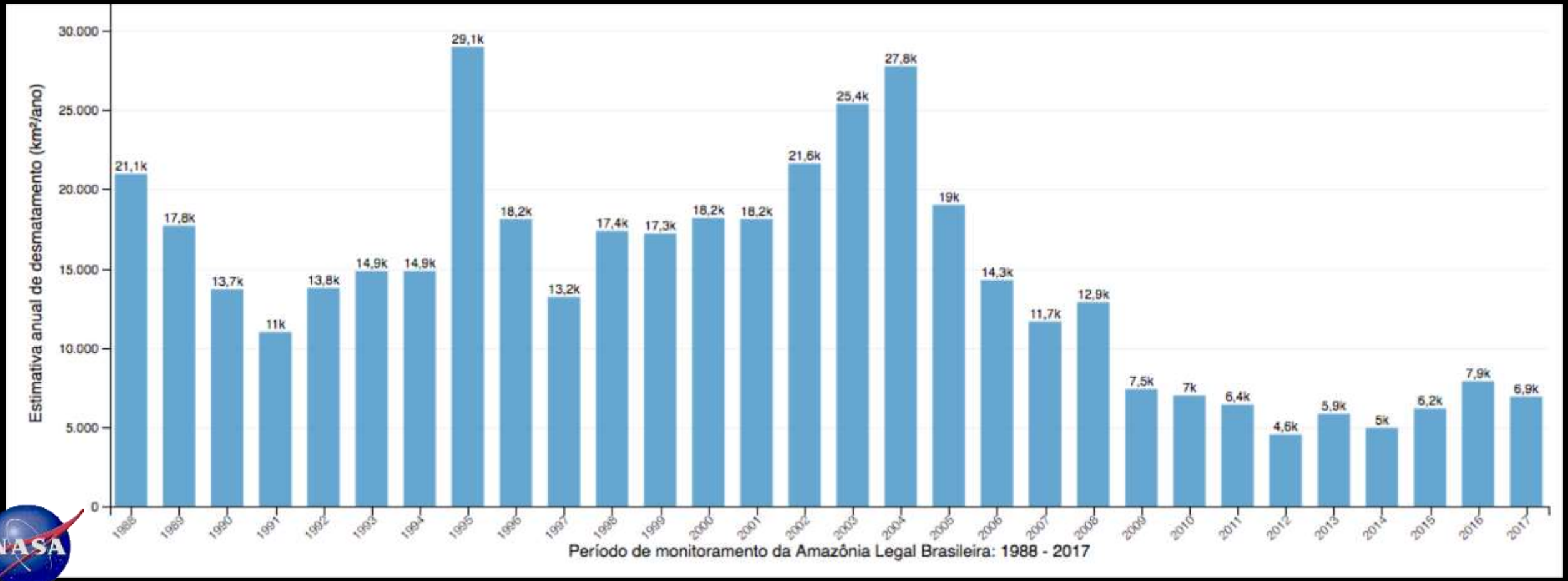
Carbon Dynamics



Saleska *et al*., 2003

Satellite Remote Sensing of Land Use & Land Cover Change		
Where?	Mapping	Higher Resolution (infrequent coverage)
When?	Monitoring	Frequent Coverage (lower resolution)
Why?	Analysis	Multi-sensor studies

INPE PRODES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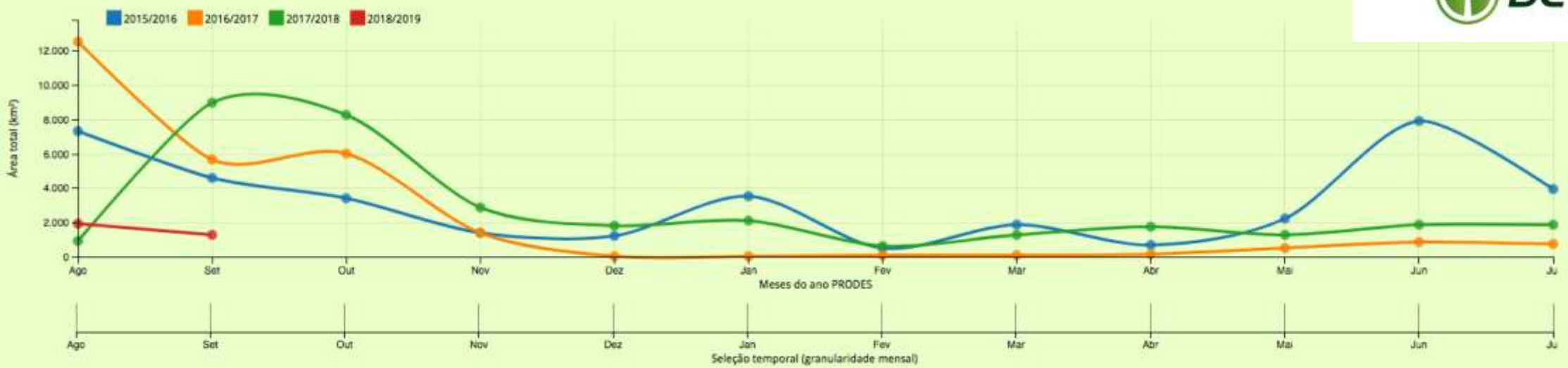
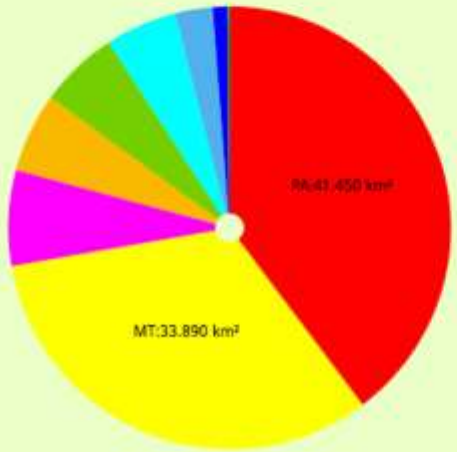
Período de monitoramento da Amazônia Legal Brasileira: 1988 - 2017

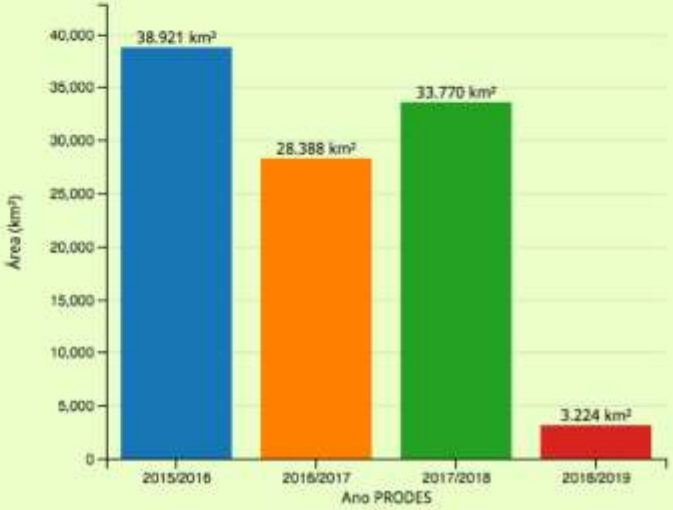
Painel DETER-B - mensal | Abrir o Painel Diário | Imprimir | Escurecer/clarear

Variação da detecção de área do projeto DETER-B, com granularidade mensal e sazonalidade ano PRODES (Agosto a Julho)



Filtros por Estados, Classes e ano PRODES (Agosto a Julho)





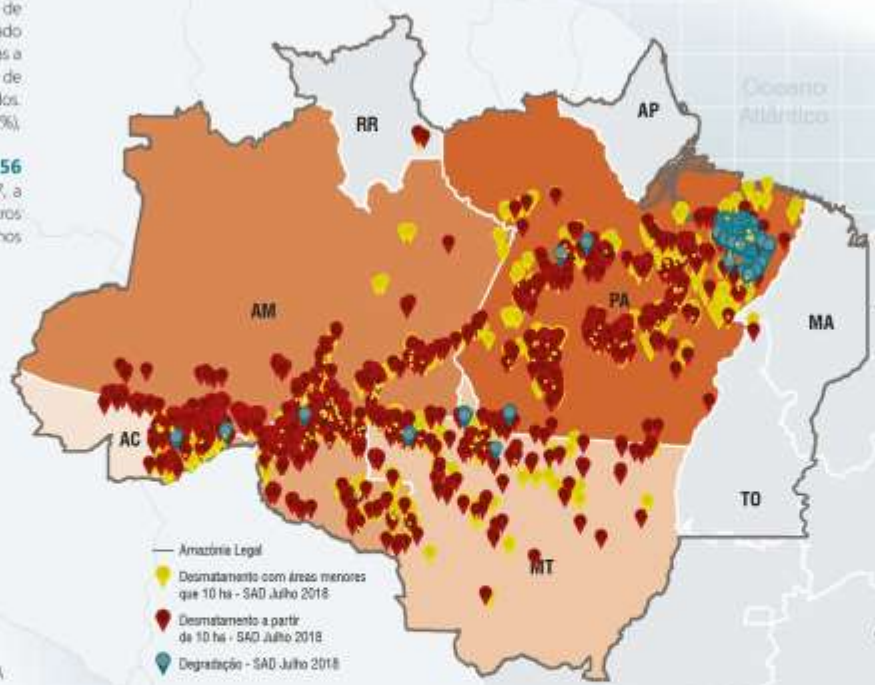
http://terrabrasilis.info/composer/DETER-B

SAD Sistema de Alerta de Desmatamento
Julho de 2018

Em julho de 2018, o SAD detectou **778** quilômetros quadrados de desmatamento na Amazônia Legal. Neste boletim, a fração de desmatamento entre 1 e 10 hectares foi de **11%** do total detectado (**89 quilômetros** quadrados). Considerando somente os alertas a partir de 10 hectares, houve aumento de **27%** em relação a julho de 2017, quando o desmatamento somou **544** quilômetros quadrados. Em julho de 2018, o desmatamento ocorreu no Pará (37%), Amazonas (21%), Rondônia (20%), Mato Grosso (17%), Acre (5%).
As florestas degradadas na Amazônia Legal somaram **356 quilômetros** quadrados em julho de 2018. Em julho de 2017, a degradação florestal detectada totalizou 46 quilômetros quadrados. Em julho de 2018 a degradação foi detectada nos estados do Pará (95%), Mato Grosso (3%), e Rondônia (2%).

GEOGRAFIA DO DESMATAMENTO

Em julho de 2018, a maioria (**62%**) do desmatamento ocorreu em áreas privadas ou sob diversos estágios de posse. O restante do desmatamento foi registrado nos Assentamentos de Reforma Agrária (**19%**), Unidades de Conservação (**15%**) e Terras Indígenas (**4%**).



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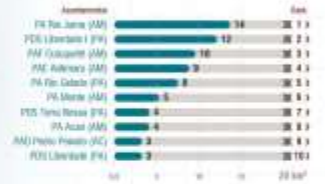

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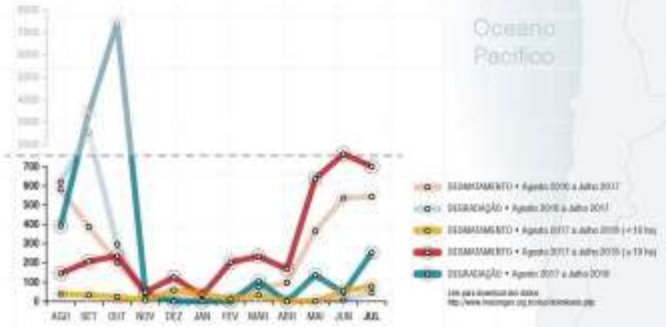
EVOLUÇÃO DO DESMATAMENTO E DEGRADAÇÃO NA AMAZÔNIA



DEGRADAÇÃO

Estado	Ago 2016 a Jul 2017 (km²)	Ago 2017 a Jul 2018 (km²)	Variação (%)
Acre	63	3	-96
Amazonas	534	25	-81
Mato Grosso	3084	3220	89
Pará	2176	3813	2068
Rondônia	55	84	20
Roraima	39	97	149
Tocantins	29	722	2398
Amapá	-	-	-
TOTAL	3980	11954	224

DESMATAMENTO

Estado	Alertas a partir de 10 ha: Ago 2016 a Jul 2017 (km²)	Alertas a partir de 10 ha: Ago 2017 a Jul 2018 (km²)	Alertas a partir de 10 ha: Variação (%)	Alertas menores que 10 ha: Ago 2016 a Jul 2017 (km²)	Alertas menores que 10 ha: Ago 2017 a Jul 2018 (km²)	Alertas menores que 10 ha: Variação (%)
Acre	39	70	168	-	34	-
Amazonas	601	797	17	-	39	-
Mato Grosso	810	1108	36	-	57	-
Pará	714	1292	82	-	105	-
Rondônia	540	569	6	-	78	-
Roraima	43	117	181	-	44	-
Tocantins	15	3	-86	-	3	-
Amapá	-	1	-	-	1	-
TOTAL	2834	3948	39	-	438	-

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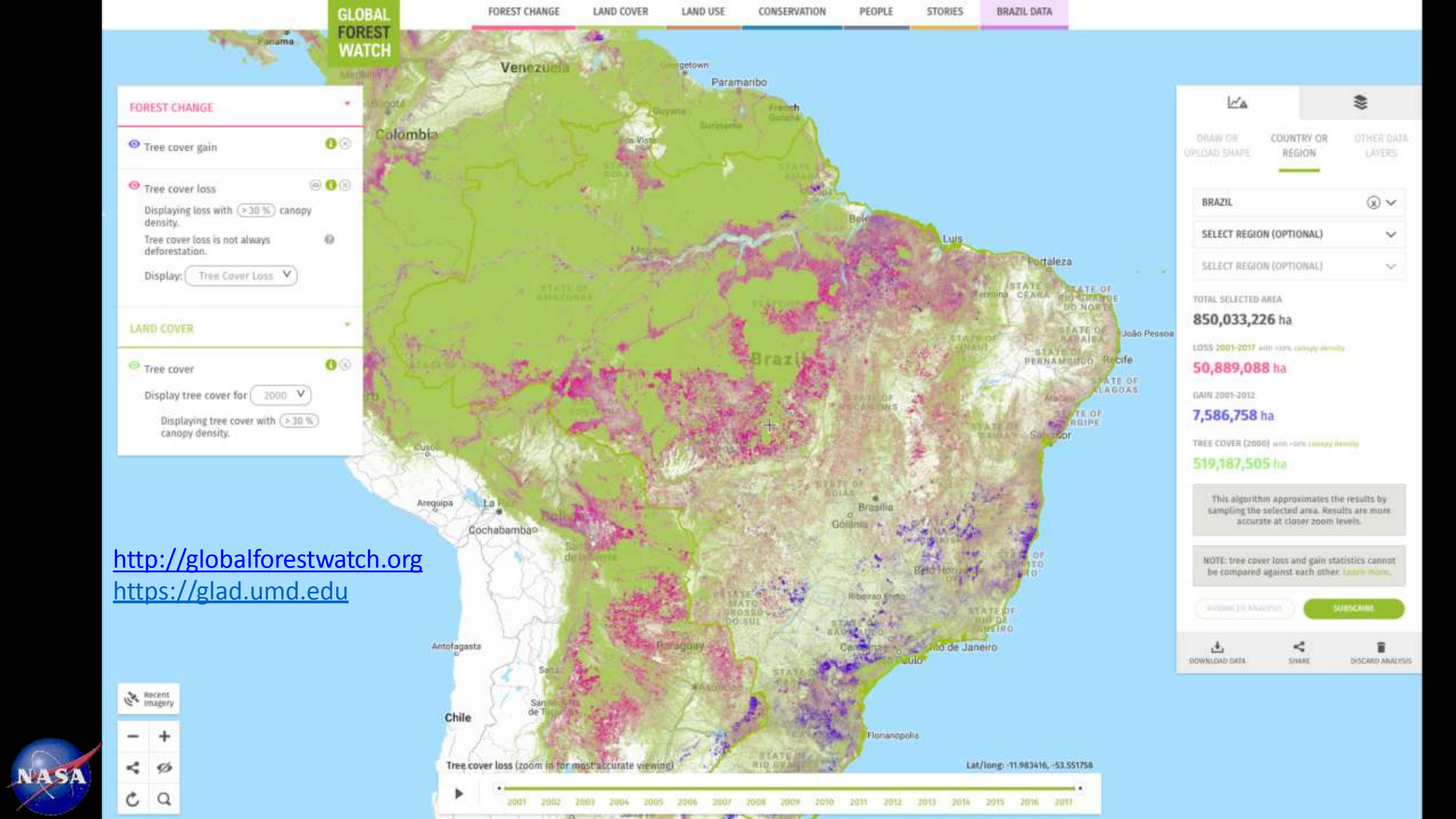

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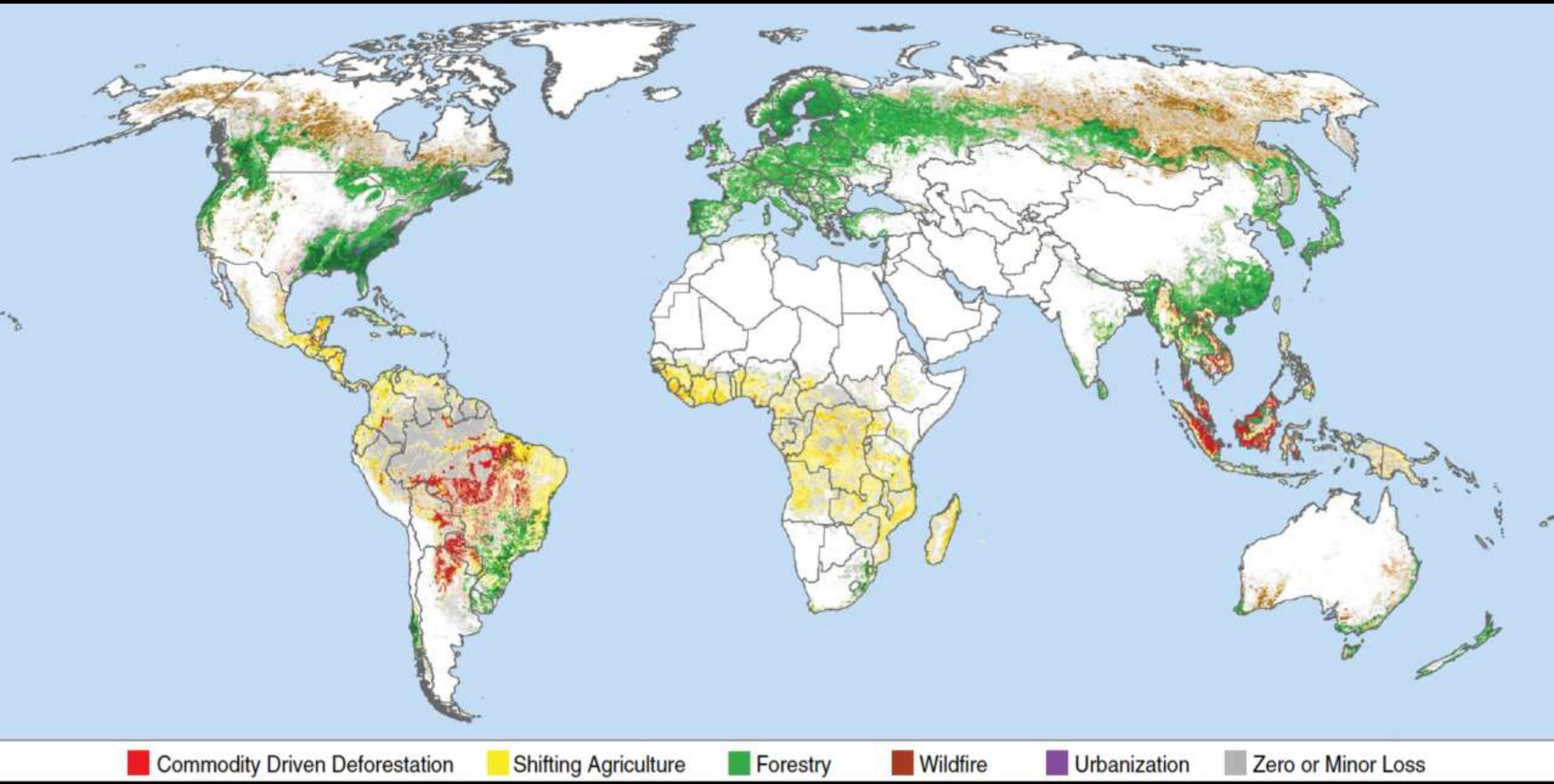
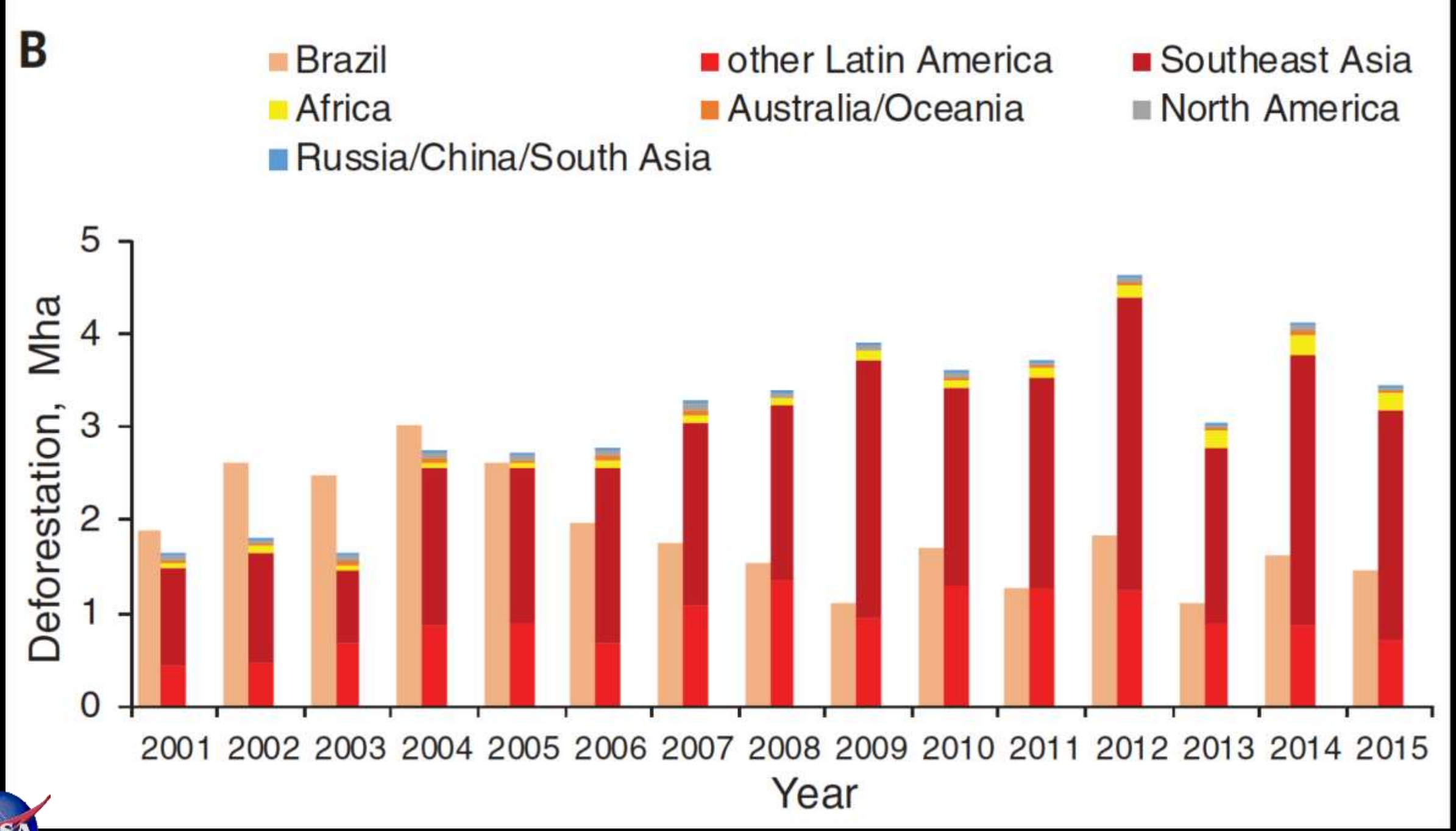


Curtis et al., 2018



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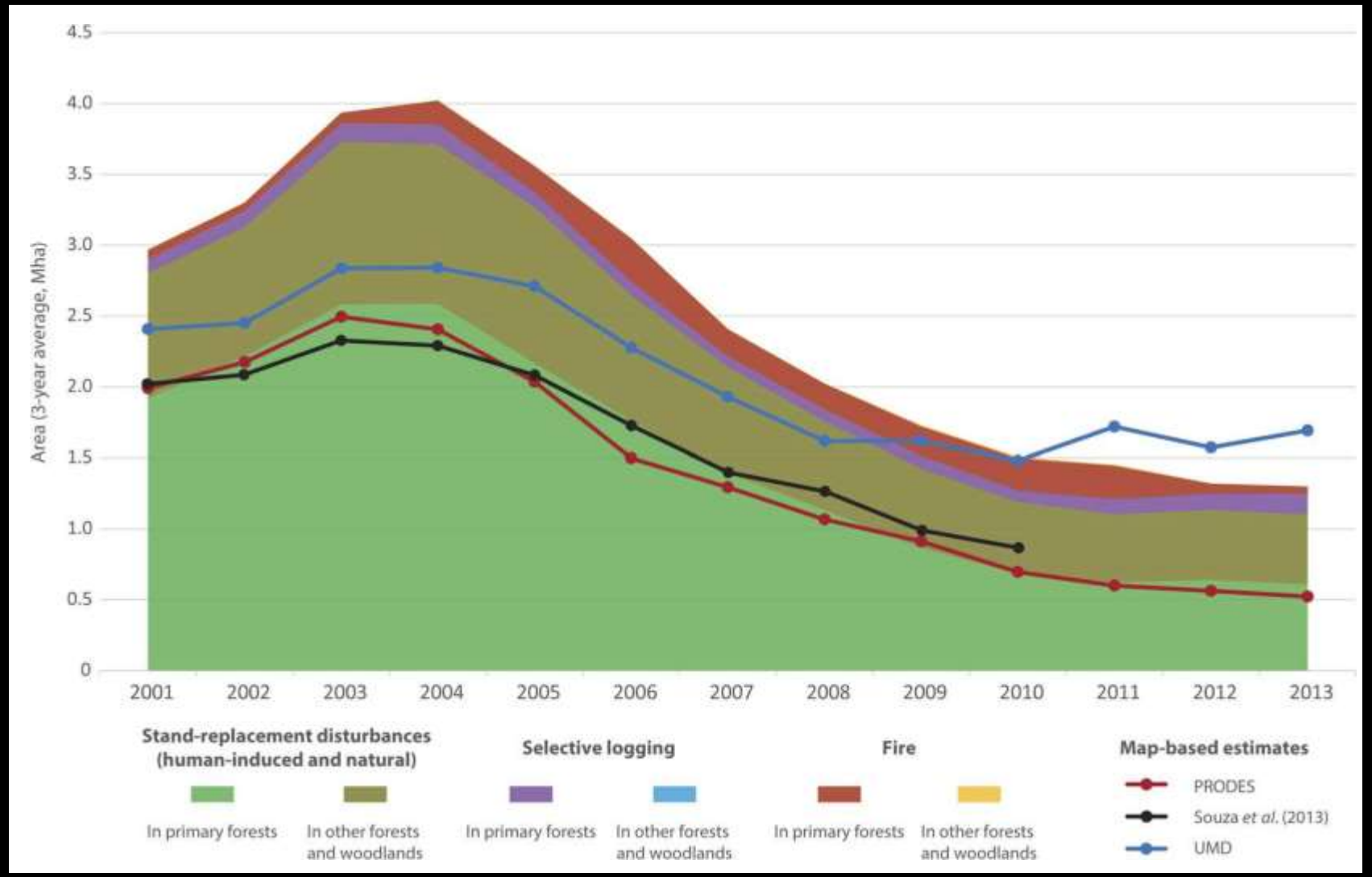
Land Use: Deforestation & Degradation

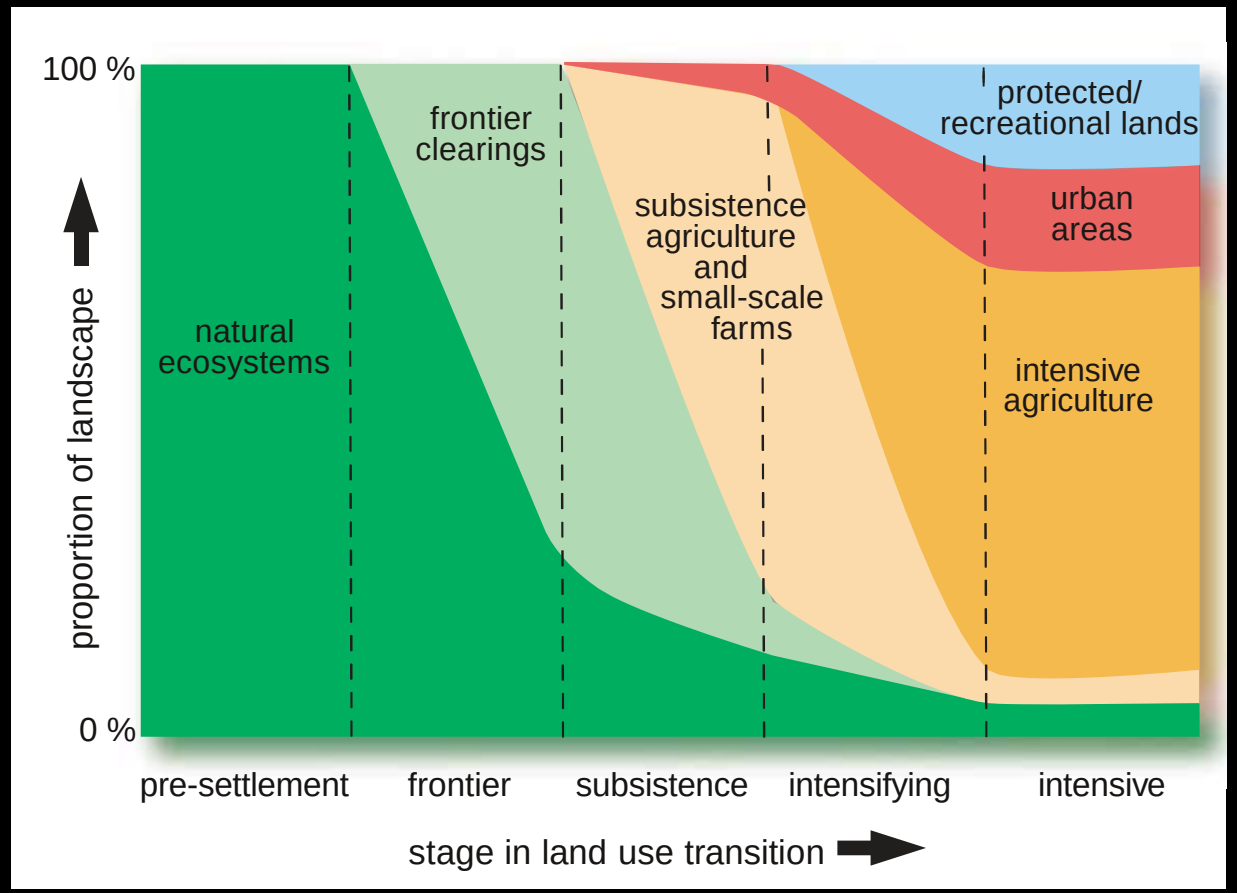


Tyukavina et al., 2017

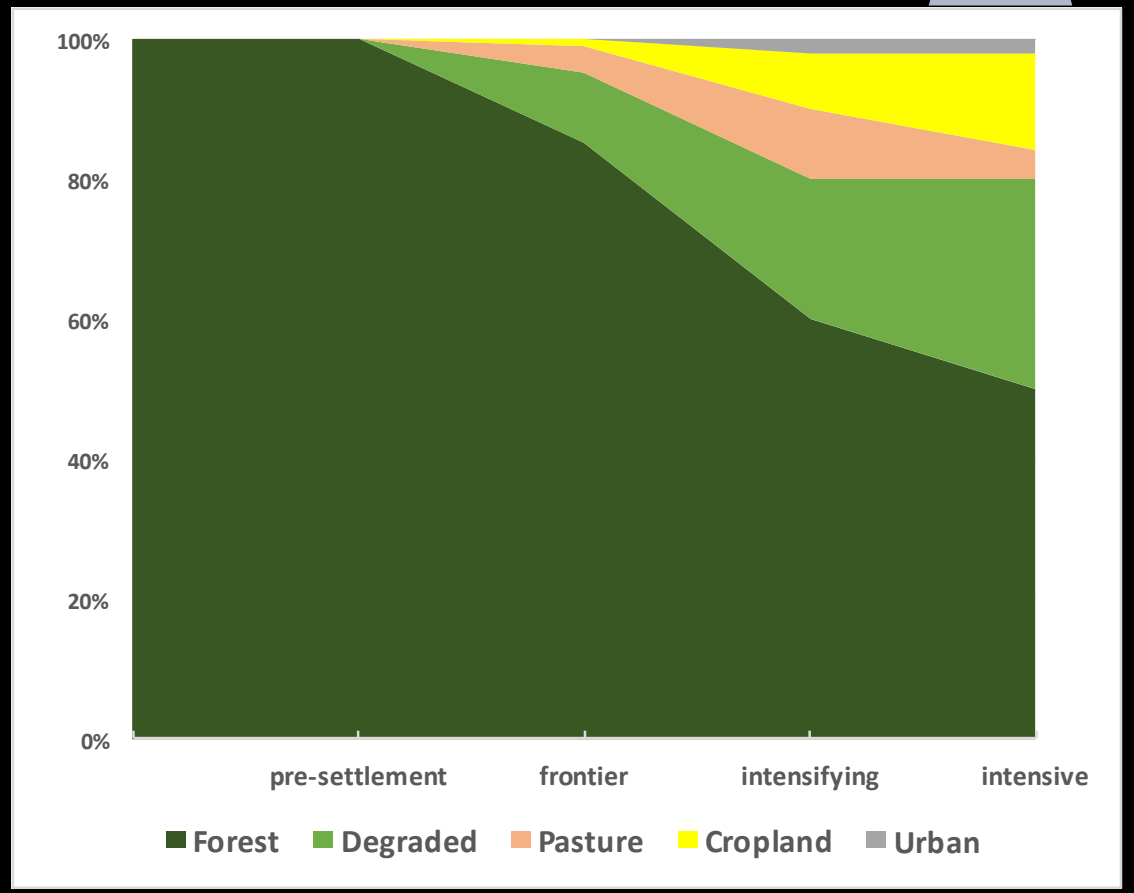
Deforestation Monitoring in 2018:

1)Broad use of freely-available satellite data has spurred innovation and changed the discourse at national and international levels.
   1)PRODES, DETER, CAR, Soy Moratorium, etc.
   2)REDD+
2) Estimates from different systems still disagree.
   1)Main difference is the treatment of forest degradation.
   2)Righting past wrongs in estimates of deforestation will help to understand patterns of land use and climate sensitivity.
3) Putting the Amazon in context.
   1) Replicating Amazon systems in the Cerrado and Mata Atlantica.
   2) Forecasting, managing human-dominated landscapes in the Amazon.

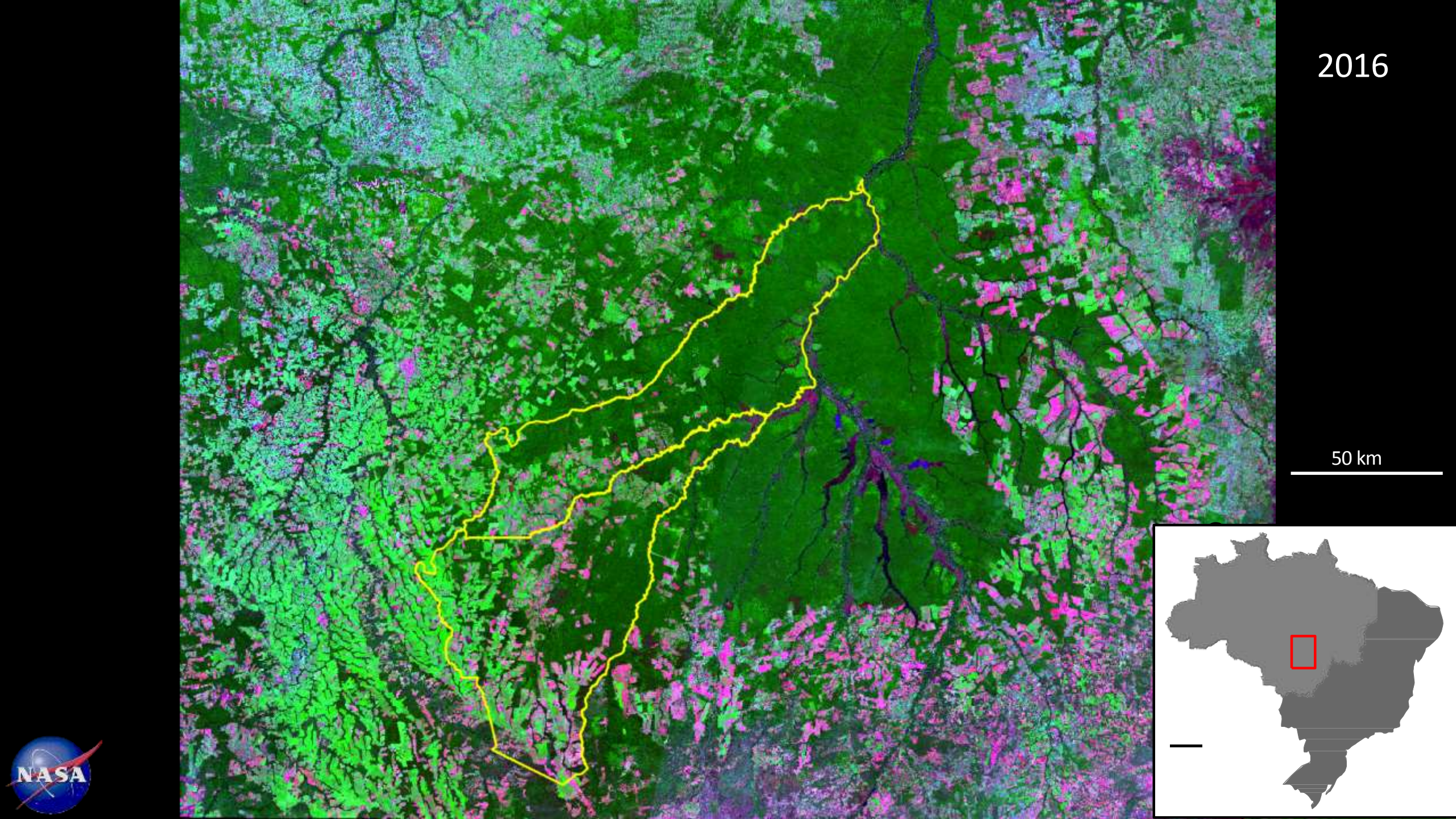
Airborne lidar



Foley et al., 2005



Landsat transitions 1984-2017 →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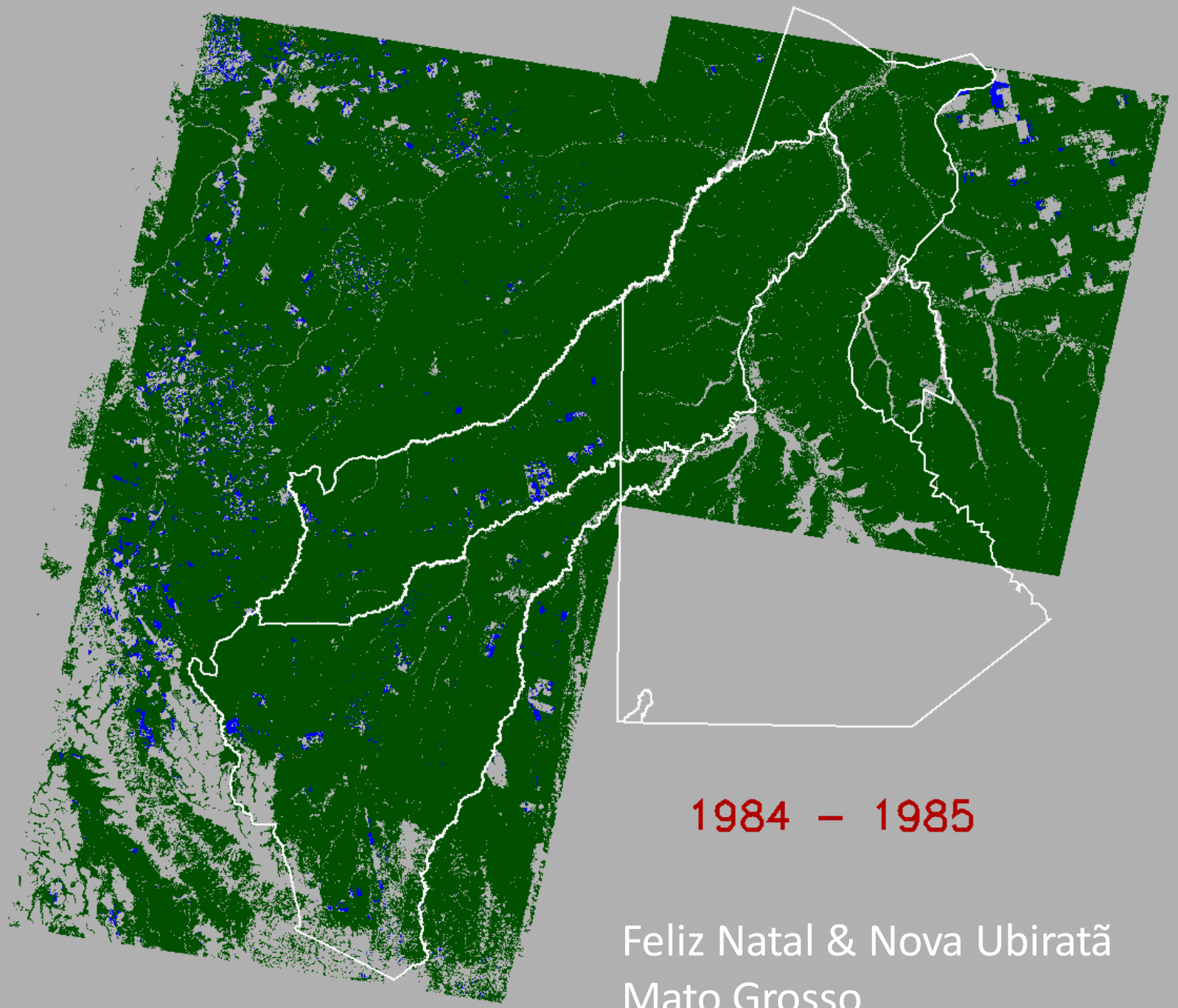

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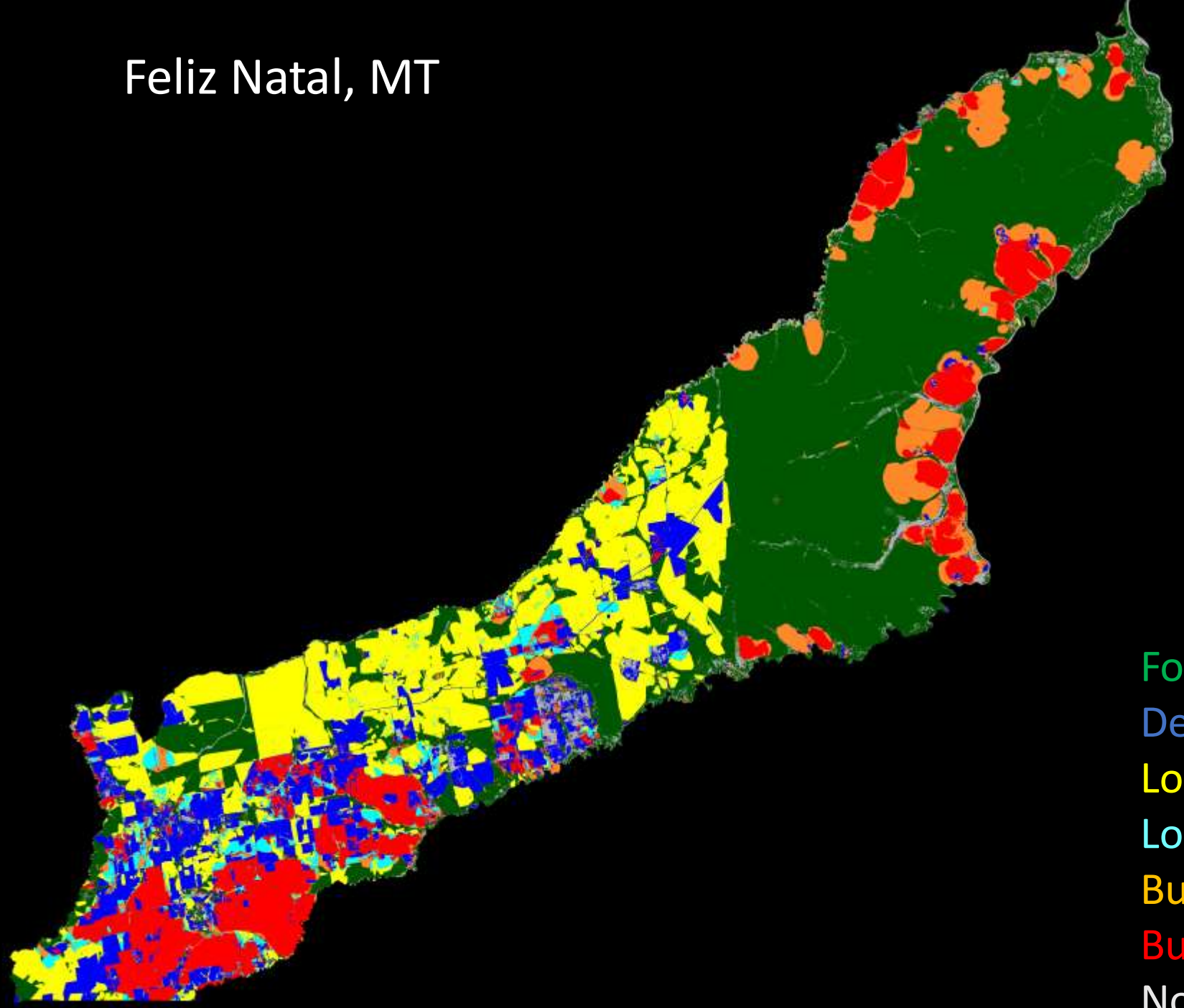
Feliz Natal, MT

1984-2015



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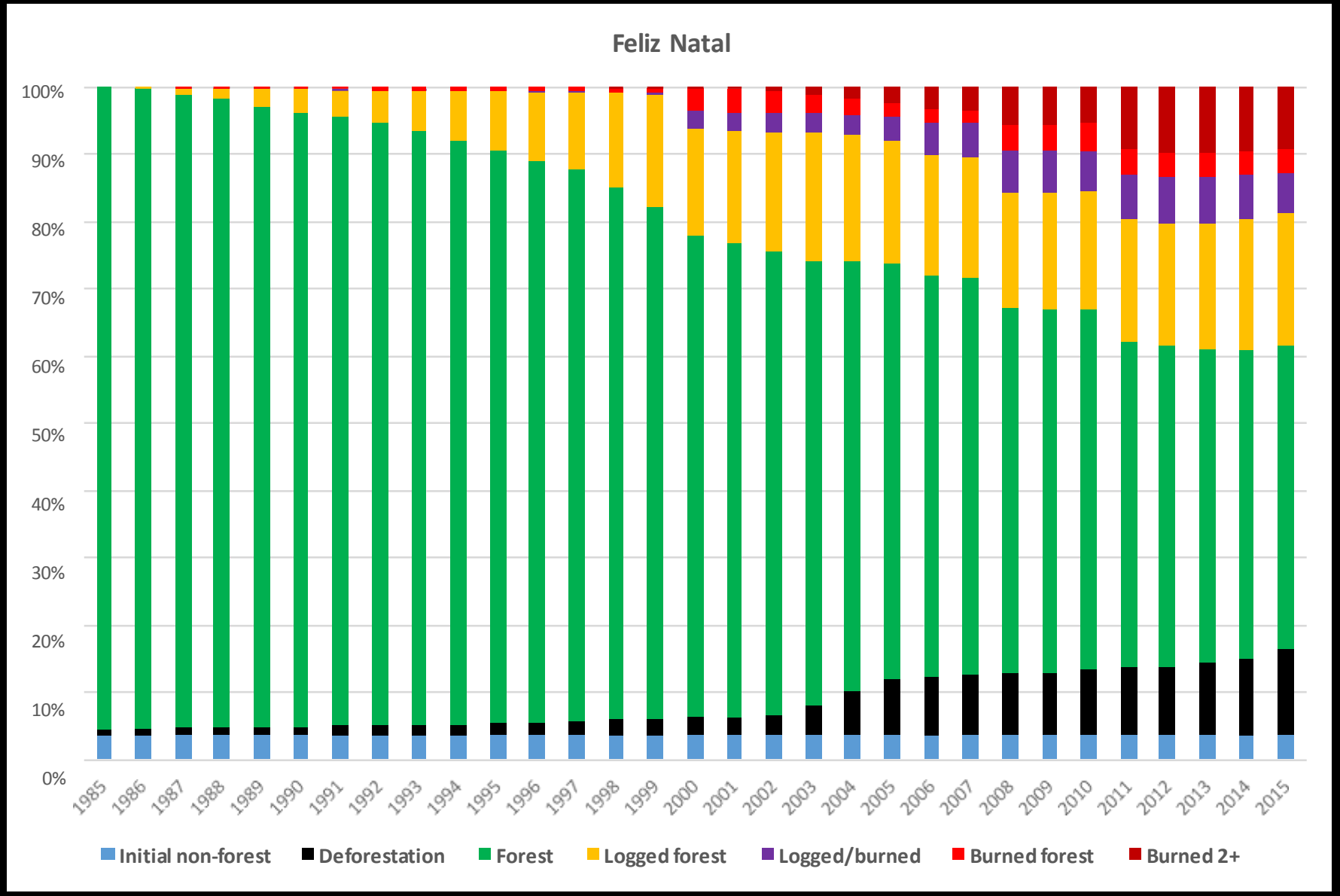
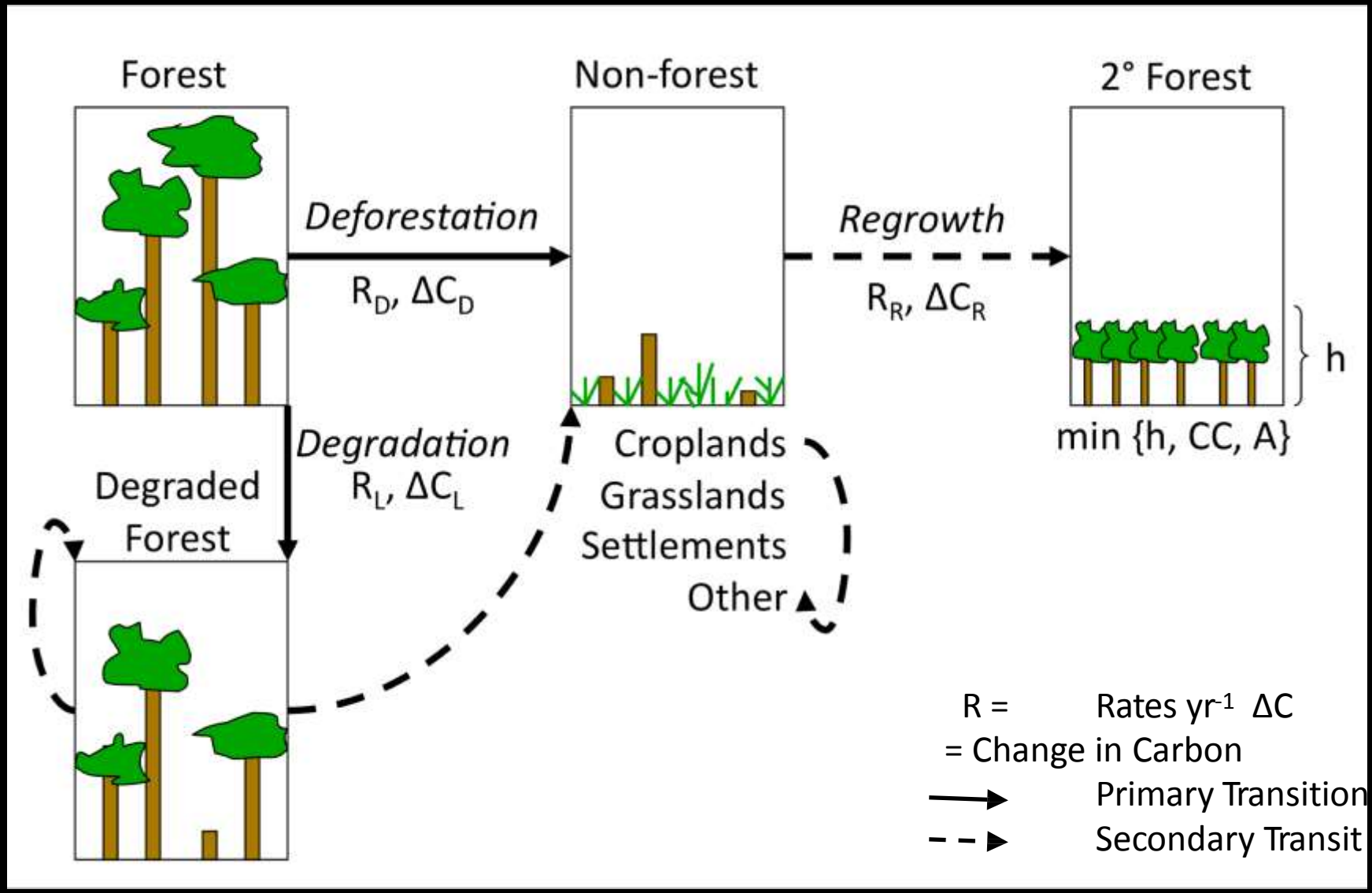


Morton et al., in prep.

Full Carbon Accounting For REDD+

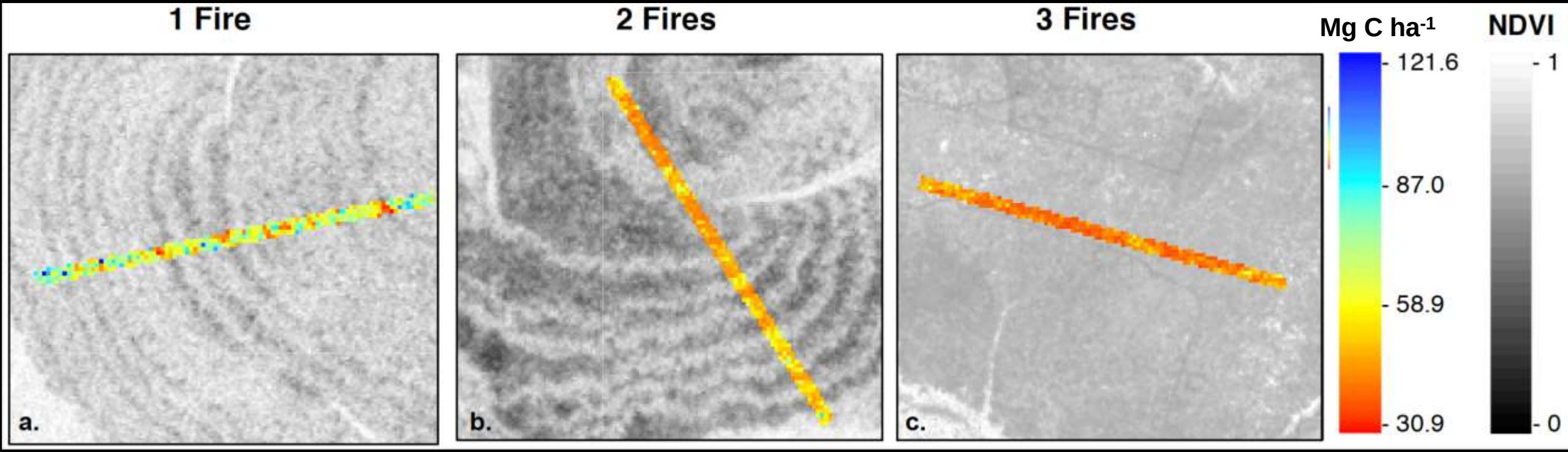


Morton et al., 2011, Bustamante et al., 2015

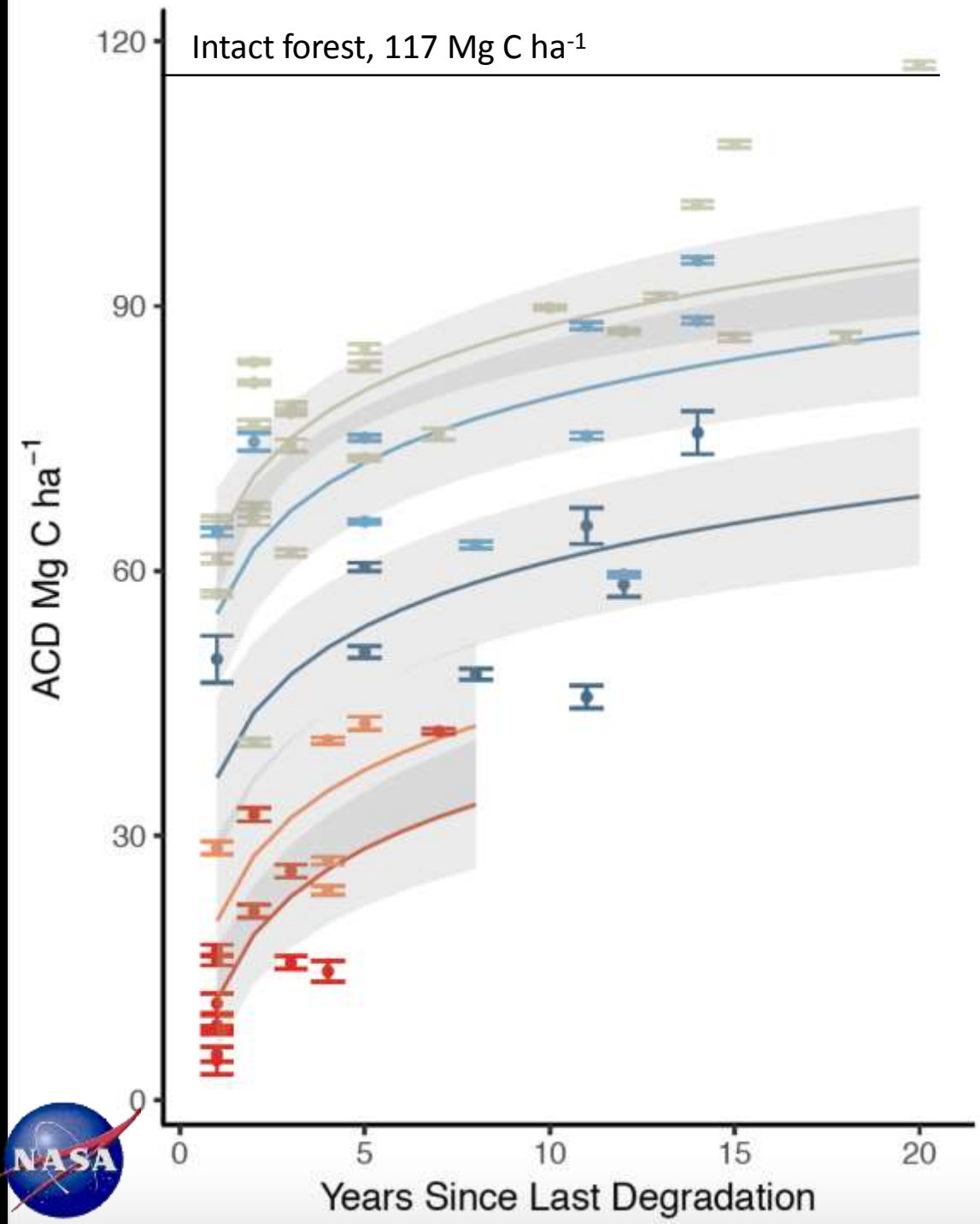
Lidar and Plot Data Online:

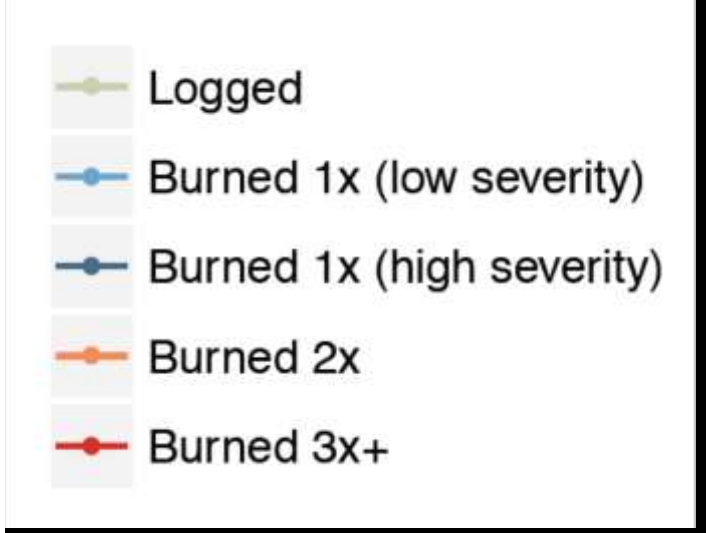
https://www.paisagenslidar.cnptia.embrapa.br/webgis/

Estimated aboveground carbon stocks from airborne lidar (5000 m x 200 m)



Rappaport et al., 2018

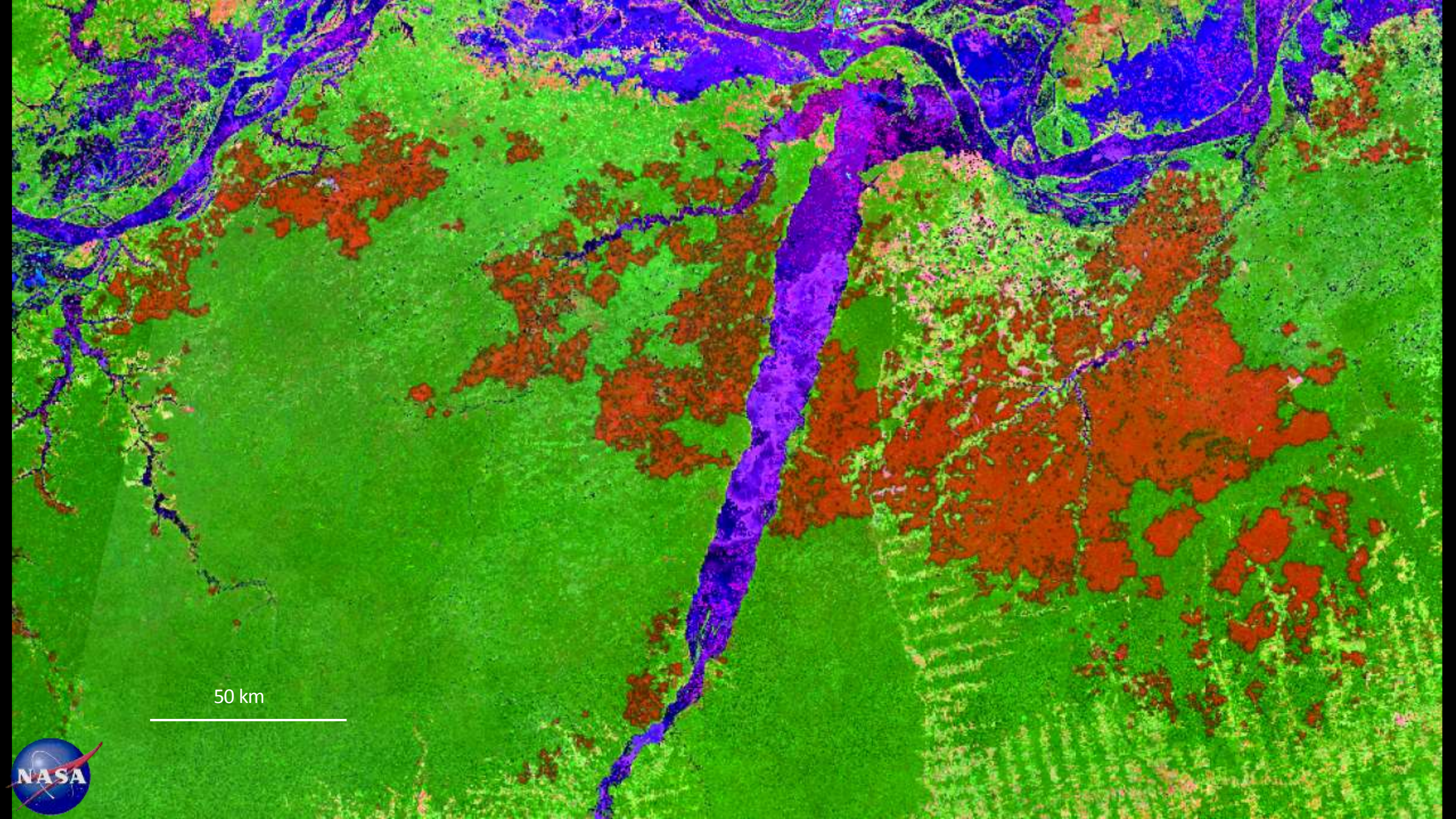




Biomass Recovery Following Degradation

	1 year	5 year	10 year	15 year
Logging	55%	71%	78%	82%
Burn 1x Low	49%	64%	70%	74%
Burn 1x High	32%	47%	54%	58%
Burn 2x	18%	34%		
Burn 3x	10%	26%		

Rappaport et al., 2018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Preliminary estimate of fire-induced carbon losses 2015-2016:

Region	Understory Fire (km^2)	Committed C Emissions Tg (Low, 10 yr)	Committed C Emissions Tg (High, 1 yr)
Southern Amazon	31,400	130.8	233.2
Northern Amazon	9,500	39.6	70.5
Total	**40,900**	**170.4**	**303.7**
2016 Deforestation	**7,989**		**109.5****

*2015 and 2016 Fires, Combined
** INPE-EM

INPE Lidar 2016-2017

Sample
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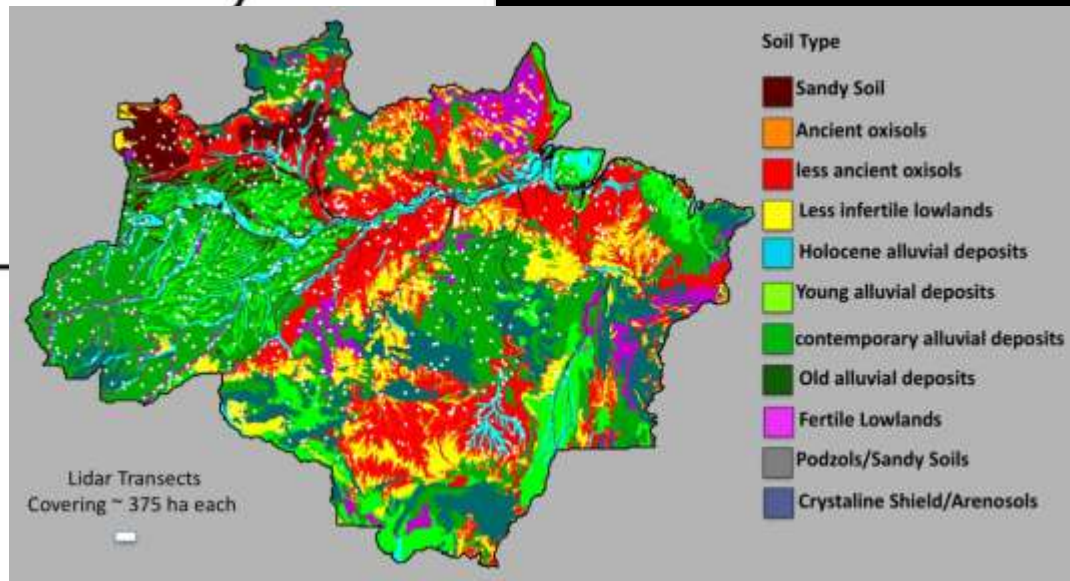
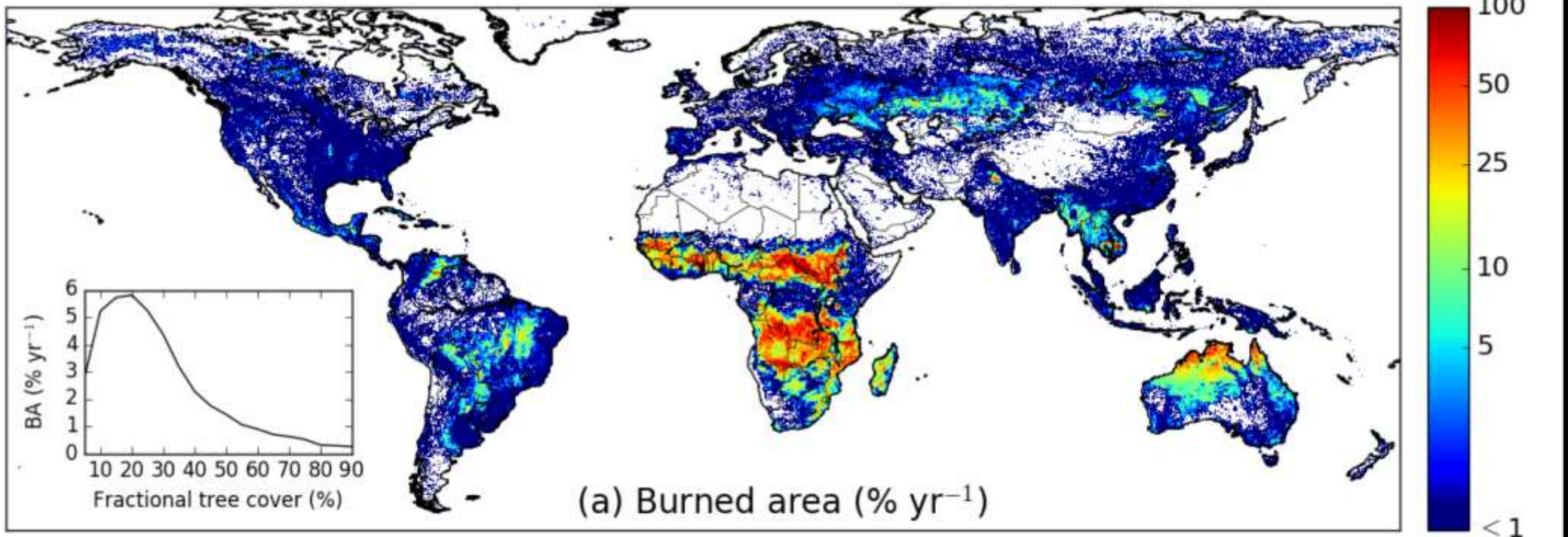
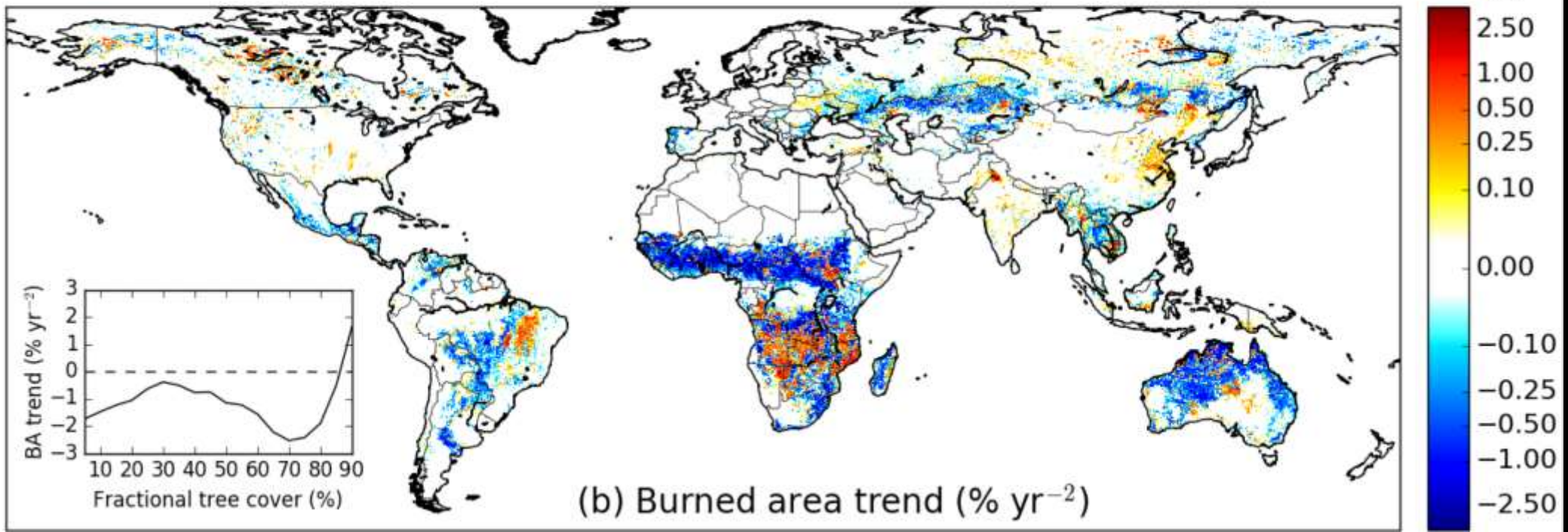


Forest Degradation:

- The combination of Landsat and lidar provides a powerful tool to characterize the spatial and temporal patterns of frontier development.
- Degraded forests cover a large (and growing) proportion of frontier regions.
- Frontier forests have lower carbon stocks, following decades of logging, fire, and fragmentation, even after 5+ years of recovery.
- Burned forests have lower carbon stocks than logged forests, and recover more slowly following forest degradation.
- Airborne lidar data capture fine-scale heterogeneity in forest carbon stocks over spatial scales needed for REDD+ monitoring, reporting, and verification.





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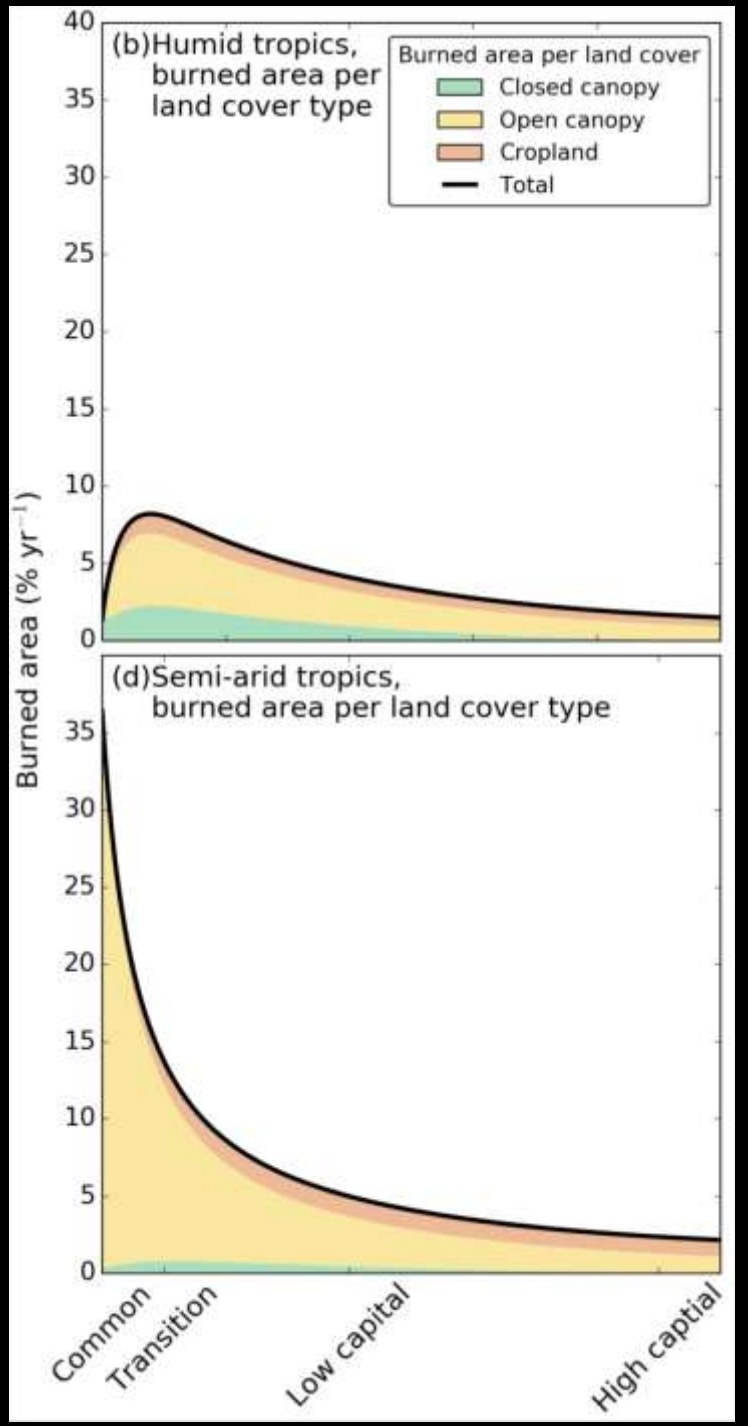
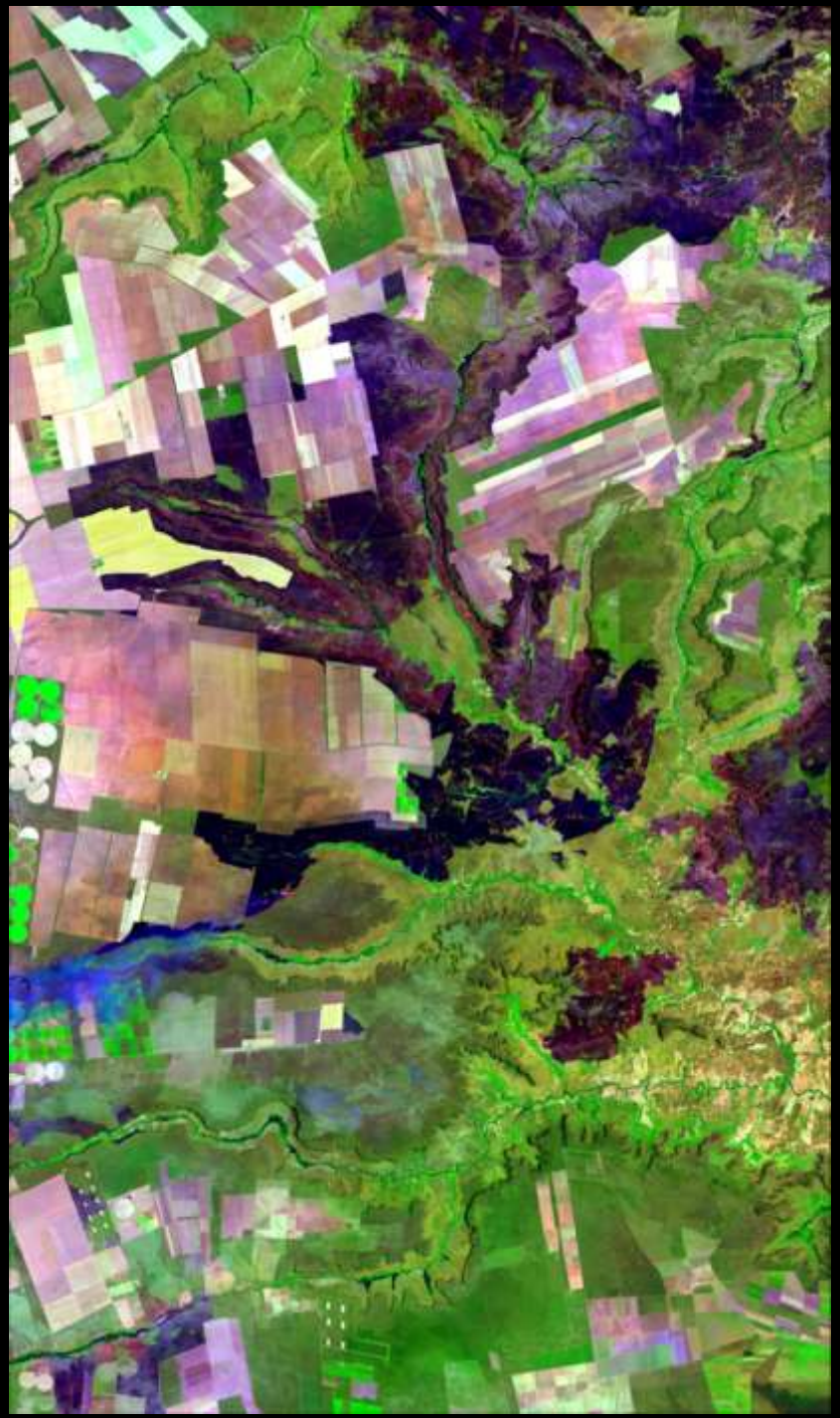
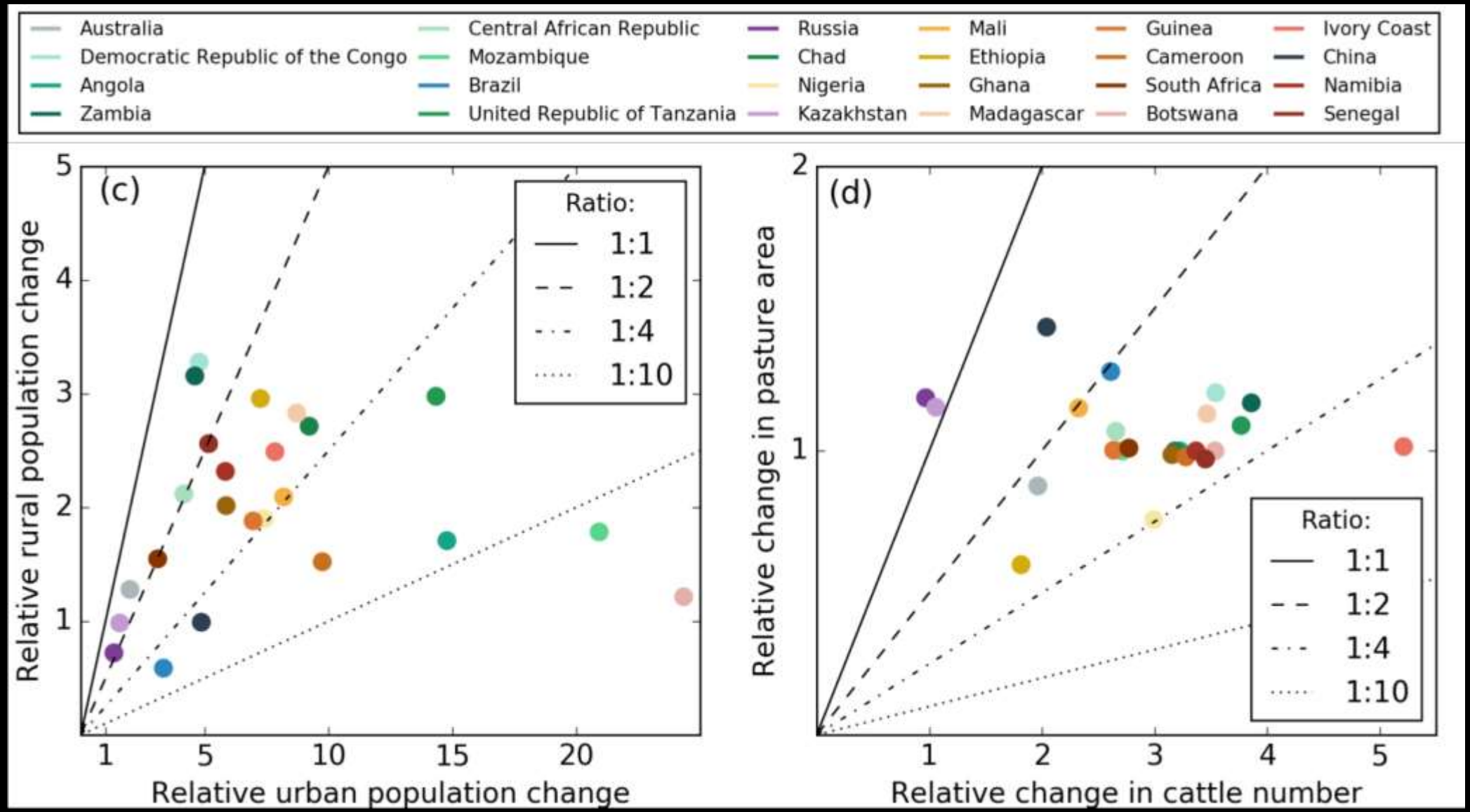


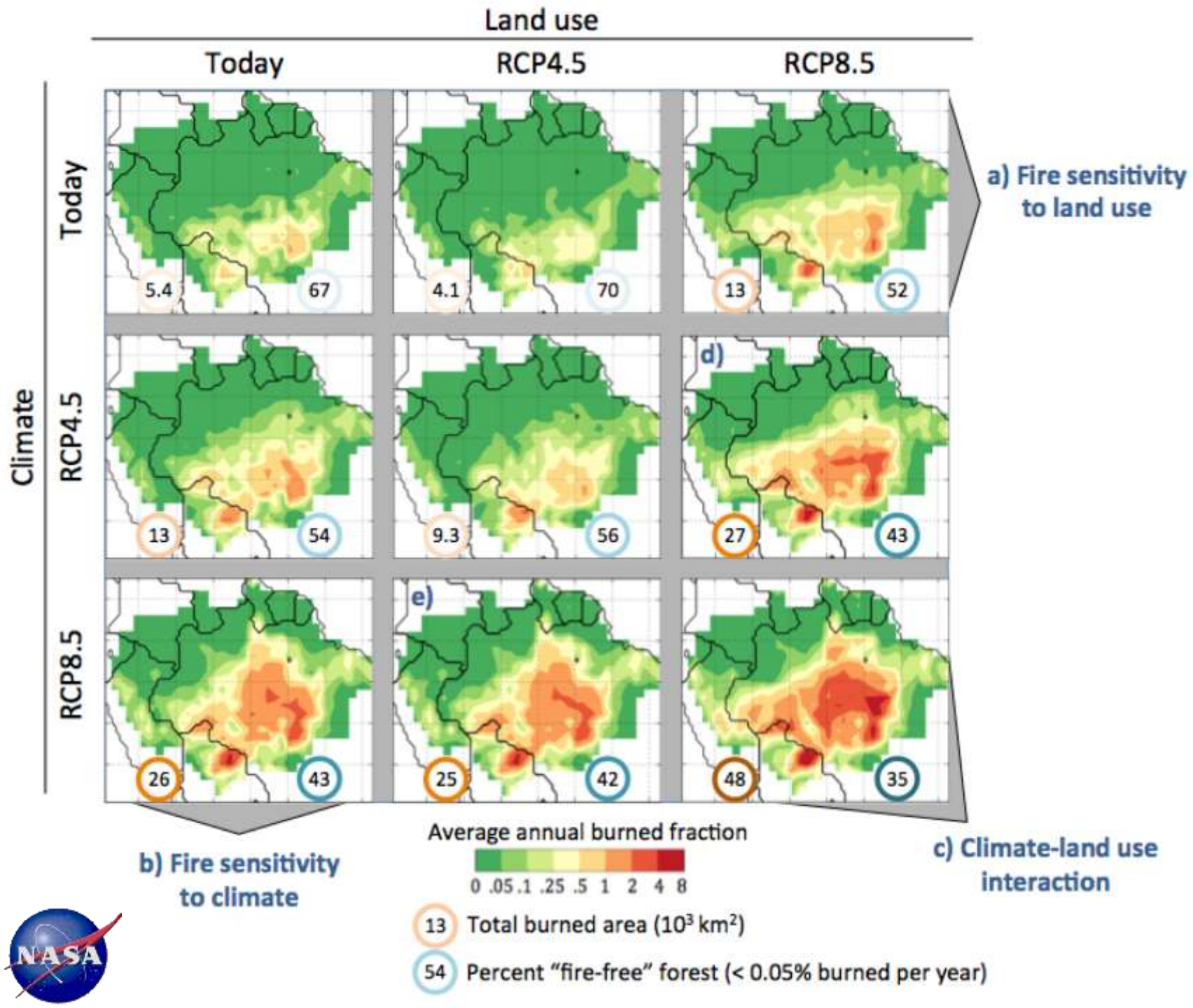


Andela et al., 2017 *Science*



Population & cattle rose exponentially between 1970-2015 in the 24 countries with most burned area, driven by urbanization and increasing stocking density.

Andela et al., 2017



Alone, restricting further deforestation will not protect Amazon forests from greater fire risk in coming decades.

Le Page et al., 2017

Fires

- Worldwide decline in burning, including across the Amazon arc of deforestation.
- Fewer fires presents some difficult tradeoffs for conservation, land management.
- Satellite remote sensing provides a means to track risk, real-time changes, to facilitate more active management.
- Can Brazil's Forest Code serve as a vehicle to incentivize less burning in the Amazon and more burning in human-dominated landscapes across the Cerrado?

Questions?

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