

Reference Land Cover in Caribbean 2017-2018 (vector) - version 1, Oct. 2020

This metadata refers to the Land Cover vector data generated over Caribbean for 2017 in the framework of the Copernicus Global Land Hot Spot Mapping (C-GL-HSM) contract under the coordination of JRC.

This area of interest is either mapped with the generic 8 classes dichotomus legend (CAR_01_ic_a) or the detailed modular legend (CAR_01_ic_b).

The mapped area of interest (AOI) represents a key landscape for conservation area (KLC).

The Caribbean has a long history of establishing protected areas (PA) with the first Caribbean PA's being established more than 200 years ago. While PA development continued steadily throughout the 1950s to 1980s, there has been a rise in the number of sites declared since the 1990s. This increase resulted mainly from awareness raising and showcasing the benefits provided by PA's. The objectives for PA development broadened in scope from watershed and wildlife protection to fisheries management, biodiversity protection, attractions for tourism, and education (http://parkscaribbean.net).

Reference time: 2017 - 2018

Simple

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Maintenance and update frequency	Not planned
GEMET - INSPIRE themes, version 1.0	Land cover Human health and safety
Keywords	
Continents, countries, sea regions of the world.	Caribbean Sea
Keywords	
GEMET	land cover landscape alteration

	• landscape			
	• land			
	• land use			
Spatial scope	Regional			
EEA topics	• Land use			
	Environmental health impacts			
Femporal resolution	Not planned			
Access constraints	Other restrictions			
Other constraints	no limitations to public access			
Use constraints	Other restrictions			
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Spatial representation type	Vector			
Distance	30 m			
Denominator	30000			
Language of dataset	English			
Character set	UTF8			
Topic category	Geoscientific information Environment Imagery base maps earth cover			





Begin date	2017-01-01					
End date	2018-12-31	2018-12-31				
Additional Information	Current initiatives supporting PA development i	Current initiatives supporting PA development in the Caribbean include:				
	biodiversity and protected areas management (- The Caribbean protected areas gateway (http://caribbean-rris.biopama.org/). This is a portal developed in the framework of the biodiversity and protected areas management (BIOPAMA) project to provide data that can be shared and visualized to facilitate a better understanding and to communicate trends.				
	 Programme on specially protected areas and wildlife (SPAW). The SPAW programme is one of three sub-programme Caribbean environment programme. It is a regional agreement for the protection and sustainable use of coastal and may in the wider Caribbean region. The SPAW programme supports countries to implement their national obligations under protocol. 					
	- Caribbean vocational standards for maintenar	- Caribbean vocational standards for maintenance in terrestrial protected areas.				
	The World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA 2019) has been used in the Copernicus Global Land Hot Spot mapping (C contract under the coordination of JRC to obtain statistics on land cover changes inside and outside the protected areas. To see how much of the Key Landscapes for Conservation area is a Protected Area, consult the WMS service found at the section of this metadata.					
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OnLine resource

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Hierarchy level	Dataset
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Conformance result

Date (Publication)	2010-12-08		
Explanation	See the referenced specification		
Pass	Yes		

Statement

e-GEOS Production Site produced this product by satellite analyses in the context of the Copernicus Global land Hot Spot Mapping (C-GL-HSM) framework.

Data and products are based on medium to high and very high resolution satellite images (from approximately 1 to 30m spatial resolution) with a change assessment frequency between 1 to 20 years. The Image data sources used for mapping are Landsat 7 and 8. The validation process made use of Spot-6 and Sentinel-2 images as reference data.

Images temporal range: 2015-2019

It is the time frame that has been accepted to collect the satellite images useful to produces the vector data.

The Reference year is included in this time frame and correspond to mean year considering all the image's year used. It is the year on which the majority of the used images are.

The classification scheme follows the Land Cover Classification System (LCCS) developed by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).

Since LCCS is a hierarchical system, the modular legend can be aggregated to the dichotomus legend.

The FAO LCCS handbook which describes each class in detail, can be downloaded here: http://www.fao.org/3/a-i5232e.pdf

This LCCS Land Cover map includes the following land cover classes (associated raster code in []):

- A11 Cultivated and Managed Terrestrial Area(s) [3]
- A12 Natural And Semi-Natural Primarily Terrestrial Vegetation [4]
- A23 Cultivated Aquatic or Regularly Flooded Area(s) [6]
- A24 Natural And Semi-Natural Aquatic or Regularly Flooded Vegetation [7]
- B15 Artificial Surfaces and Associated Area(s) [0]
- B16 Bare Area(s) [11]
- B27 Artificial Waterbodies, Snow and Ice [13]
- B28 Natural Waterbodies, Snow and Ice [14]

The produced and independently validated Land Cover and Land Cover Change maps and statistics are available to global users.

The report and the validation file can be downloaded from the link section.

Basic image processing: Cloud/Shadow masking, Data Selction (based on occlusion and sesonality considerations), Atmospheric correction (TOA) of satellite data, Coregistration.

Automatic classification: Feature extraction from Dense Multitemporal Time Series (D MTS), statistics generation, automatic classification (ROI based or decision tree) and labeling according to the required output LCCS legend schema.

Visual inspection and refiment: check and refinement of the LCCS product generated through the automatic procedure in order to corrected classification errors and to refine borders where necessary.

Internal validation: independent validation of the LCCS product based on external reference data (where available) and on other datasets for intercomparison. The scope of the internal validation is to make a qualitative and quantitavie check of the declared Thematic and Positional accuracies.

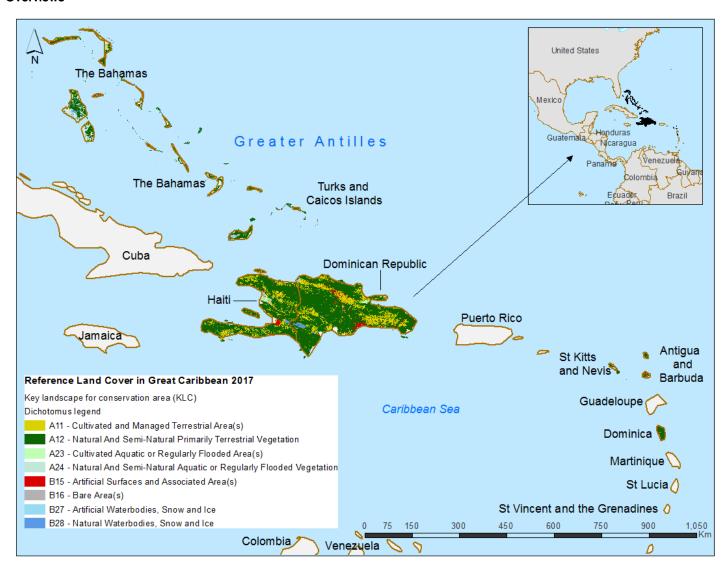
Metadata

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