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1. Background



DANE's Smart Data strategy

- Colombian National Statistical Plan aims:
- to integrate geospatial and statistical information.
- to strengthen statistical production and dissemination by using new sources and methods.
 - Our efforts are focused on using EO and geospatial information for SDGs indicators.





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Background

- DANE structured the Smart Data strategy focused on exploring the contribution that traditional and non-traditional sources can make to the process of producing strategic statistical information.
- Different groups proposed projects using administrate data and Big data. One of the projects involved the use of Geospatial Observation.
- The methodological projects for SDG measures allowed the technical capacity of DANE get strengthened and new opportunities for the use of Earth observation data to support statistical production were identified.













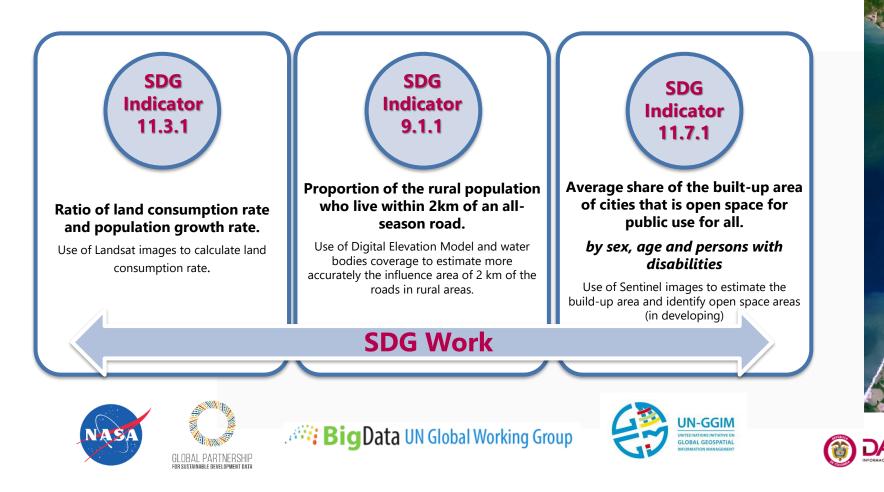
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2. SDG Work



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2. SDG Work

SDG Indicator 11.3.1





SDG indicator 11.3.1 Ratio of land consumption rate and population growth rate

Land consumption rate

Population growth rate

Sources:

- Landsat images to calculate land consumption rate
- Population projections (2003 and 2015)



Calculating land consumption rate (SDG 11.3.1):



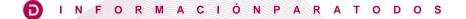
Selection of Landsat (cloud free images).		Supervised classification: Identification of the built-up area.		
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	Processing images: Geometrical correction.		Post classification comparison (2003 – 2015) to estimate change.	



Google Earth Engine

Optimize the processing and classification of the images since there are configurable scripts that facilitate the replication in other zones.





2. SDG Work

SDG Indicator 9.1.1



SDG Indicator 9.1.1: Methodology

Path

Distance

All-season Roads from official cartography

Surface water Coverage from official cartography

Digital Elevation Model - DEM The number of persons residing in the rural area was taken from the National Agriculture and Livestock Census (2014)

The population is geo-referenced at the property level

Intersect

Calculate the influence area of 2 km on each side of the road

It is obtained the national proportion of the rural population who live within 2 km of an all-season road, in Colombia

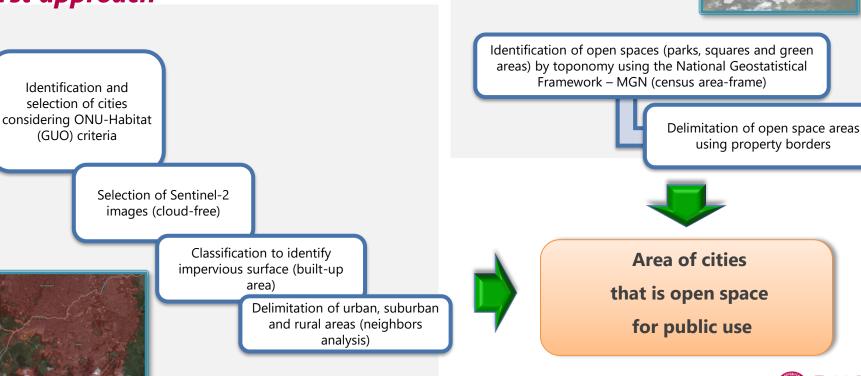


2. SDG Work

SDG Indicator 11.7.1



SDG 11.7.1: Methodology First approach







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3. Challenges and lessons learned



Lessons learned and best practices The cross-interinstitutional (IAEG-SDG, BigData UN NASA, GPSDD, etc.) collaboration promotes the exchange of experiences, knowledge and information.

Support countries in SDG monitoring: It is important to promote the use of open data, algorithms and building capacities in the organizations.

An institutional policy that supports research allows the development of innovative projects that take advantage of non-traditional data for the generation of statistics.

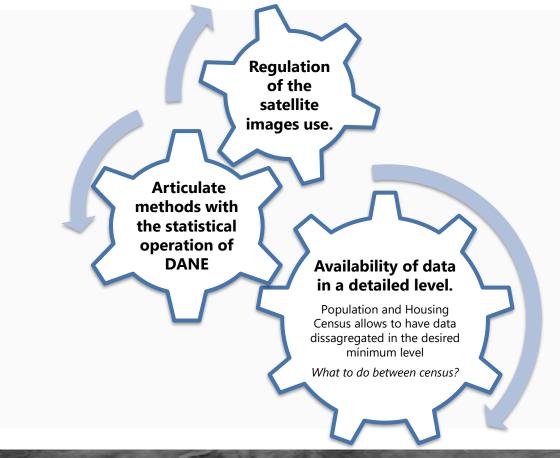
It is posible to harmonize the work of the SDG measures with an academic research agenda that contributes with the statistical work, in both levels, national and international.





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Main Challenges



Continue working with *Custodian Agencies* of those 3 initial indicators used under this approach.

The way forward to use EO and other geospatial information for

Continue sharing the experience with countries and other cross-sector institutions.

The SGD regional center for LA and the caribbean región is going to be Colombia (an UNSDSN Alliance with an academic institution in Colombia).

Proposal of methodologies to calculate more SDG indicators.

Focusing on TIER III indicators in which earth observation could be used.

Producing SDG at sub-national level By using the 2018 National Population and Housing Census georeferenced at village level.

Incorporation of radar images is being evaluated.

Support the production of agricultural and environmental information. and the continuous update of the rural and agricultural statistical framework.







Thank you!

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