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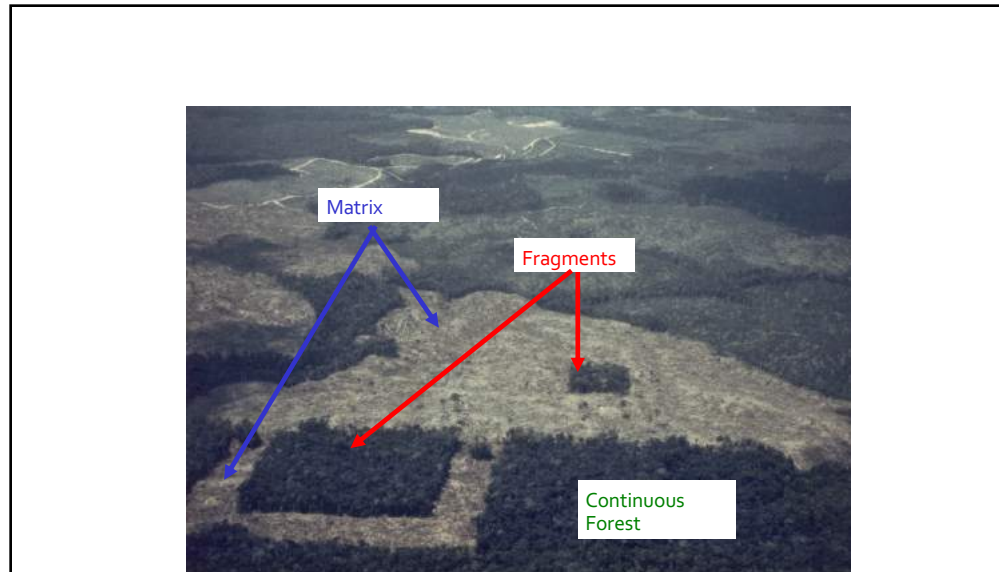
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Because fragmentation (1) is globally pervasive & (2) many reserves are now or will become fragments, understanding the consequences of fragmentation has become one of the most important areas of research in ecology



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How do we study the effects of habitat fragmentation?



Study "Natural" Fragments

Atlantic Forest, Brazil



Costa Rica

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How much forest do we have left?

How much did we start with?

How much have we lost?

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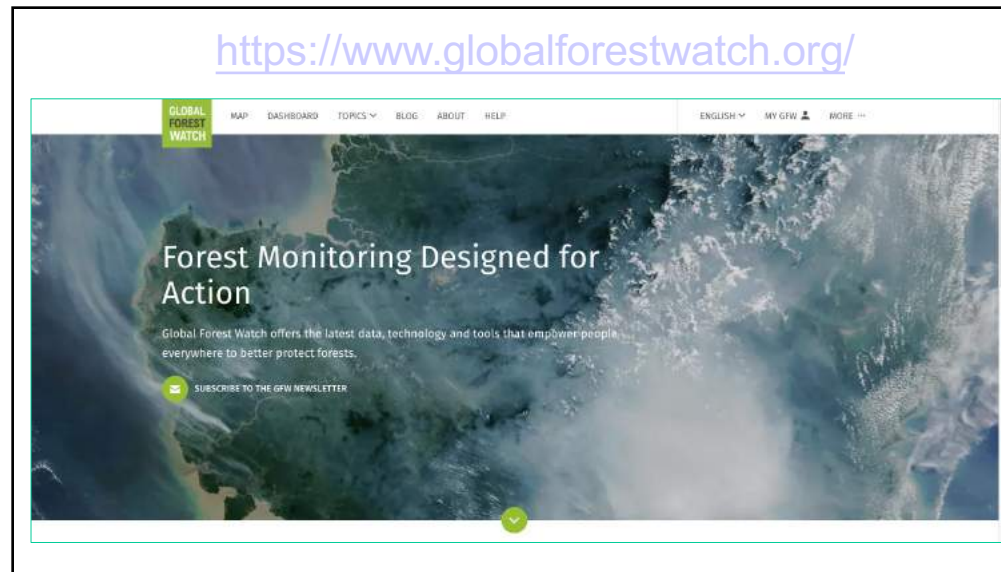
FOREST RESOURCES ASSESSMENT (FRA) adopts a common definition of "forest" to monitor global forest area based on biophysical and land use criteria.



GLOBAL FOREST WATCH (GFW) monitors all forms of tree cover to detect loss and gain based on biophysical criteria, and uses the term "tree cover" instead of "forest".



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