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ABSTRACT

Vegetation types lacking protection in the existing conservation units of the nine states in the Brazilian Legal Amazon are identified, and locations are noted where examples of these types could be protected. Maps of vegetation, protected areas, and semi-protected areas, such as Amerindian and forestry reserves, are digitized and overlaid using a geographic information system. There are 28 natural vegetation types in the Brazilian Legal Amazon listed on the legend of the map used (scale: 1:5,000,000). Locations of areas for additional protection were selected using a minimum criterion of protecting at least one example of each vegetation type in each state (here called "vegetation zones"). There are 111 vegetation zones in the Legal Amazon, of which only 37 (33%) have some portion of their area protected. There are few protected areas in the most heavily deforested states along the southeastern fringe of the forest. In Maranhão, where 60% of the original forest had been lost by 1990, only 1 of 10 vegetation types is protected. Negotiating agreements with indigenous tribes, and to a lesser extent with extractivists who harvest non-timber products from the forest, represents a major opportunity for significantly increasing the area and representativeness of the conservation units. Additional conservation units need to be established quickly, before rapidly increasing deforestation and land prices preclude this opportunity; otherwise, significant vegetation types can be expected to disappear.

INTRODUCTION

Decisions on protecting natural ecosystems require information on the biological importance of different areas, as well as on political and social factors affecting each area. It is important to make the best use of available information to identify those areas of highest priority so that reserves can be established to protect biological and ecological diversity.

The present study applies one criterion for assigning priority on biological grounds: the vegetation type as classified on the map produced by the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE) and the former Brazilian Institute of Forestry Development (IBDF) (Brazil, IBGE & IBDF 1988). IBDF is now part of the Brazilian Institute for the Environment and Renewable Natural Resources (IBAMA), and the map is known as the "IBAMA map." Amazonian vegetation types from this map legend are defined in Table 1. This does not imply that other criteria should not also be applied, nor does it mean that areas not identified are unimportant. This study seeks to evaluate additional areas not already protected by the Brazilian government and assumes that areas already protected will continue to enjoy this status in perpetuity.

Natural vegetation types on the IBAMA map are used to define "vegetation zones," or the area within each of the nine states in Brazil's 5 X 10⁶ km² Legal Amazon that is covered by one of the vegetation types. The areas of biological priority indicated by the vegetation zone criterion are not particularly large. Applying other criteria produces much larger areas of high priority. One reason for setting aside large areas is the need for redundancy; Brazil's record of sacrificing protected areas does not lead to confidence that all areas protected will survive indefinitely (see Fearnside & Ferreira 1985; Foresta 1991). Examples include the flooding of Sete Quedas National Park by the Itaipu Dam in 1982 and current plans to sacrifice the turtle protection functions of the Rio Trombetas Biological Reserve when the Cachoeira Porteira Dam is built (Fig. 1). A number of protected areas have illegal logging and goldmining activities within them (e.g. Peres & Terborgh 1994).

ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES

A problem in establishing objective criteria for assigning biological importance is the varying level of knowledge about different ecosystems and geographic locations in Amazonia. Most biological diversity is found in heavily collected areas (Nelson et al. 1990). An alternative criterion would give highest priority to areas that have had very little study because of a precautionary principle to avoid the loss of unknown but potentially valuable biodiversity.

The degree of threat posed by current exploitation and development activities varies greatly among regions and vegetation types. Threatened areas include the várzea (whitewater floodplain) forest where the ease of water access combined with valuable timber species (such as ucuuba or virola: Virola spp.) have made this the primary source of timber in the region. In upland areas, locations of higher concentrations of valuable trees, such as Rondônia's stands of cerejeira or cherrywood (Torresea acreana Ducke) and mogno or mahogany (Swietenia macrophylla King) have made them a prime target for logging, including activity in Amerindian reserves (Fearnside 1990a). combination of ranching development (largely for land speculation purposes) and charcoal production for pig iron smelting in the Grande Carajás Program area has focused pressure on the forest types of that area, including the vine forests of western Maranhão (see Fearnside 1989a,b). Plans for highway construction include the Trans-frontier Highway planned for strategic reasons to parallel all of Brazil's international borders in Amazonia (Jornal do Brasil 12 August 1991), and roads planned under the Calha Norte Program for military bases along the borders north of the Amazon River (Setubal et al. 1986). Settlement along these roads is to be promoted for strategic reasons (Setubal et al. 1986, see Fearnside 1990a). In the case of western Acre, soil quality is presented as a justification (Brazil, EMBRAPA 1988). These developments pose a threat to forests in the areas affected.

Ecotones between the various types of savanna and forest, classified as "areas of ecological tension" in the IBAMA vegetation classification system (Table 1), are under the greatest pressure. The transition between forest and cerrado (central Brazilian scrub savanna) is under great pressure because of its proximity to major centers of population and demand (including demand for timber and charcoal) in the south-central part of the country. Grain production, especially soybeans, has been rapidly increasing as a source of pressure on the forest/ cerrado ecotones. These vegetation types are easier to clear than denser forest types. They have also not been sheltered from the expansion of government-subsidized ranching programs in The Superintendency for Development of the Amazon recent years. (SUDAM) at least theoretically suspended approval of new projects in "dense forest" areas in 1979, but projects continued to be approved in practice. On 12 October 1988 the Programa Nossa Natureza (Our Nature Program) again suspended incentives. On 16 January 1991 a law (No. 167) limited incentives, only to be reversed on 17 April 1991 (Decree No. 101); not until 25 June 1991 was a decree (No. 153) issued barring "concession of incentives that entail deforestation in areas of primary forest and destruction of primary ecosystems" (Article 15, paragraph 3).

Satellite data indicate the forest/cerrado transition zone is suffering the fastest deforestation (Fearnside 1990b, 1993a). Greatest pressure on the vegetation types located along the forest/cerrado boundary is also shown by a map analysis by Kangas (1990) using a 1:10,000,000 scale map of Holdridge life zones (Tosi 1983) and a series of simulated deforestation scenarios postulating various patterns of expansion of deforested areas from existing highways and towns.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ECOSYSTEM PROTECTION

In addition to the varying levels of threats in different parts of the region, there are also varying levels of opportunity for creating protected areas. When opportunities present themselves, this factor must be weighed in decisions about protected areas. However, effort to establish new reserves should not be guided exclusively by pursuit of opportunities, as has often happened in the past. An overall strategy based on biological priorities must be drawn up.

One kind of opportunity arises from conflicting political claims to territory. Conflict between the States of Amazonas and Pará for várzea areas along the northern bank of the Amazon River is one example. Extractive reserves offer another major opportunity where products that are now marketable occur in relatively high density and where local populations of rubber tappers and other extractivists are organized to manage these resources (Allegretti 1990; Fearnside 1989c).

Amerindian reserves represent a major opportunity for preserving natural ecosystems, provided these areas are used for this purpose. Amerindian reserves cannot now be considered to be protected in the absence of special negotiations with the tribes to declare parts of their reserves as conservation units. Indigenous peoples may not always use their reserves in environmentally benign ways. The best-known example is the nontraditional productive system of the Navajo in the southwestern United States, where overgrazing by sheep has led to severe soil erosion (Brown 1981: 48). Some examples already can be found in Brazil of tribes that would readily destroy their own reserves if given the chance. For example, tribes in Rondônia have agreed to allow goldminers and loggers to exploit tribal areas in exchange for a portion of the profits. Mahogany logging in seemingly isolated portions of the Cinta Larga reserve provides a graphic example (J. Ferraz, personal observation).

Indigenous peoples stand to benefit by negotiating to have all or part of their lands declared as protected areas, because this strengthens their claim to large areas of forest (which is continually under attack by politicians in Amazonia). The tribes should also gain some material benefit from protecting the forest, as compensation for environmental services that forest

provides. Negotiations would have to be done directly with the tribes; although the National Indian Foundation (FUNAI), a government agency within the Ministry of Justice, has legal authority over many tribal affairs, it has very little moral authority to speak for the tribes.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

We analyzed the 1:5,000,000 scale IBAMA vegetation map (Brazil, IBGE & IBDF 1988). The IBAMA vegetation map is a simplification of the 1:1,000,000 scale maps produced by the RADAMBRASIL Project (Brazil, Projeto RADAMBRASIL 1973-1983). RADAMBRASIL maps were derived from 1:250,000 scale side-looking airborne radar (SLAR) imagery, in conjunction with field checking at approximately 3500 points at which forest inventories were conducted in the Legal Amazon. While the IBAMA map undoubtedly contains errors, and the present study cannot be more reliable than the map upon which it is based, the map provides a useful starting point for a kind of analysis that also needs to be applied to other existing and future maps. For protected and indigenous areas we used maps (also at a scale of 1:5,000,000) produced by Conservation International (1990a,b) for the Workshop-90 meeting held in Manaus in January 1990 (see Rylands 1990).

We analyzed the maps to identify areas that are already protected within each state and to identify areas of each vegetation zone that could be protected within the existing system of Amerindian areas. The maps were digitized and areas of each vegetation type by state and protection status were tabulated using the ARC/INFO geographical information system (GIS) at the U.S. Geological Survey's (USGS) Earth Resources Observation Systems (EROS) Data Center, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Geographic (latitude-longitude) coordinates for features on the vegetation map were calculated from the polyconic projection of this map; for the other maps, coordinates could be obtained directly. The GIS was used to overlay the vegetation with three additional layers: states, indigenous areas, and parks and reserves. The resulting digital data for the Legal Amazon were projected onto the Lambert Azimuthal Equal Area projection to allow correct measurements of area.

Some slight differences between the vegetation map and the other maps resulted in "sliver" polygons along the edges of the map, but these were minor and tended to overlap. The cases in which the border of Brazil on the vegetation map was outside the border shown on the other maps were balanced by cases where the reverse was true. The vegetation map was clipped to conform to the protected area map, leaving any cases of areas that were in the protected area map but outside the vegetation map coded as "off map" and excluded from the analysis. The presence of sliver polygons indicates that there was not a perfect match between the

source maps. In most cases, errors were minor considering the size of the regions. The sliver polygons were distributed as follows: 41 polygons of 0-500 $\rm km^2$, 5 polygons of 500-1000 $\rm km^2$, and 1 polygon each of 1708 $\rm km^2$, 2056 $\rm km^2$ and 2124 $\rm km^2$. An analysis of more detailed source maps would be needed to avoid these discrepancies.

It should be emphasized that the very coarse scale of the map used (1:5,000,000) means that many types of natural ecosystems are not represented: unique vegetation types either may be too small to appear at this map scale or may have been lumped with other categories in the map legend. In the future, more refined maps should be made to identify and protect these areas. Nevertheless, it is important to make a start by identifying the grossly apparent areas in need of protection using the present map scale. The results of the exercise must be regarded as a minimum, not as a proposal for sufficiently protecting biological diversity.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

1.) Original vegetation cover

The present extent of deforestation in relation to the original areas of forest cover is presented in Table 2 for the nine states of the Legal Amazon. By 1990, deforestation had reached 415.2 X $10^3~\rm km^2$, or 9.7% of the area originally forested as defined in Table 1; in 1991 the cleared area increased by an additional 11.1 X $10^3~\rm km^2$ to total 426.3 X $10^3~\rm km^2$ (10-11% of the originally forested area). Deforestation has advanced to alarming proportions in states such as Maranhão and Tocantins. The lower percentage affected in some other states, such as Pará and Mato Grosso, is a reflection of the immense land area of these states: because deforestation is unevenly distributed within these states, the impact on forest in the most affected areas is much greater than the percentage at the state level suggests. The prevalence of endemism means that such concentrated disturbances can have severe impacts on species restricted to these areas.

It is also important to remember the invalidity of the common but misleading practice of calculating the percentage deforested using as the denominator the land area of the political units, instead of the original area of forest. In the case of Tocantins, for example, only 8.5% of the state's land area was deforested by 1990 but in reality this represents 39.2% of the original forest. In Maranhão, 35.9% of the state's land area had been deforested by 1990, representing 60.2% of the forest.

2.) Deforestation extent in relation to protected areas

Parks and equivalent reserves in Brazilian Amazonia are a small percentage of the region (Table 3). As of 1992, only 13 million hectares, or 2.7% of the Legal Amazon had been set aside in reserves, even on paper. This represents 3.0% the natural vegetation appearing on the IBAMA map. Current plans identify a target of 17 million hectares, or 3.3% of the region. In contrast, preservation of 25% of the original vegetation of the region was recommended in 1979 by the Interministerial Commission on Forest Policy in the original version of the draft law drawn up by the commission (see Fearnside 1986). The areas in Table 3 refer to all types of vegetation, not only to forests. Some discrepancies exist between areas of conservation units measured from the maps (presented in Table 3) and those reported by other sources (Brazil, IBAMA 1989, nd [1991]).

The conservation situation would improve considerably if semi-protected areas were included. The term "semi-protected" is used here to refer to national forests, forestry reserves, extractive reserves and indigenous areas. These units presently provide some inhibition of disturbance, but lack legal requirements to prevent future exploitation and perturbation. Including semi-protected areas would increase the fraction protected in the Legal Amazon from 2.7% to 19.0% (Table 3). Incorporating indigenous and other semi-protected areas into a system of conservation units does not imply expelling the forest dwellers. On the contrary, not only do they have the right to inhabit their traditional homes, but their presence can potentially offer a better guarantee that the forest will remain standing than would transformation of these areas into parks empty of people, with protection against encroachment entrusted to IBAMA guards.

Commitments need to be negotiated with those responsible for these semi-protected areas (such as Amerindians, rubber tappers, and sectors of government tied to logging and forest management) to define the degree of disturbance that is acceptable and mechanisms for guaranteeing that these limits are not exceeded. At present, these areas cannot be considered protected. National forests and forestry reserves, for example, are intended for future logging. The extractive reserves that have been created are justified primarily by their role in environmental conservation. The reserves represent an important initiative for maintaining the forest under the guardianship of its inhabitants. However, care is needed to avoid loss of the systems' sustainability due to overly high expectations with respect to the capacity of these areas to absorb population flows or to produce wealth (Fearnside 1989c).

Most of the semi-protected vegetation is in indigenous areas and, unfortunately, a large part of this land still lacks legal recognition and demarcation on the ground. Many indigenous areas included in Table 3 still are not legally recognized, and some of

them have already been reduced by invasion and/or by government decrees.

3.) Example reserves

Figure 2 shows areas that would satisfy the criterion of protecting at least some of each vegetation type within each state, assuming that already protected areas are maintained. distribution of vegetation types among existing protected areas is specified in Table 4. Examples of reserves that would cover the remaining vegetation types are listed in Table 5. dimensions of the areas indicated (Fig. 2) are modest; in a number of cases the vegetation in question exists in much larger No attempt was made to establish criteria as to the area of samples that should be protected. Where possible, the example reserves were drawn to include several of the missing vegetation zones in a single contiguous area. No attempt was made to locate the areas with reference to opportunities for habitat protection, such as Amerindian reserves. In some cases where known conflicts with roads and development projects could be avoided by indicating more remote areas of the same vegetation type, this was done, but the areas do not avoid all such conflicts. It is important to remember that where biologically important areas coincide with areas of extensive deforestation, any remaining scraps of forest should be protected quickly. This is not to say that existing development projects in these areas should be abandoned.

Table 1 defines the 28 types of natural vegetation on the Legal Amazon portion of the IBAMA map (Brazil, IBGE & IBDF 1988) at a scale of 1:5,000,000. The area of natural vegetation of each type is presented by state in Table 6. The distribution of vegetation types in areas protected as Biological Reserves (BR), Ecological Reserves (ER), Ecological Stations (ES) and National Parks (NP) in each state is presented in Table 7. The areas refer to present vegetation (in accord with the map), which is different from original vegetation (as shown in Table 2). Of the 28 vegetation types, 10 (36%) have no area protected in the entire Legal Amazon.

Because Amazonia is so vast, the species and other characteristics of the ecosystems change from one part of the region to another, even within a given vegetation type. It is therefore important to adopt the criterion that a minimum goal be to protect at least one example of each vegetation type within each of the region's states. As can be seen from Table 7, this implies that 111 locations should be protected in the region (often several locations can be lumped into a single reserve, as in the 35 existing protected areas and 44 example reserves in Table 5 and Fig. 2). Of the 111 vegetation zones, only 37 (33%) have some part of their area protected to date, leaving 74 (67%) without any protection (Fig. 3).

The percentage of each vegetation type that is protected is also shown in Table 7. The dashes (--) in this table indicate vegetation types that do not exist in the state in question, while the 69 zeros and five other percentages < 0.50% indicate existing types for which no sample or only an insignificant sample is protected. Because the areas protected are sometimes quite small, the combination of existing and example reserves considered here (Fig. 2) is only a starting point for a strategy to adequately protect biodiversity in Brazilian Amazonia.

The states and the vegetation zones within them vary tremendously in size. The amount of land that should be protected in each vegetation zone in excess of minimum areas needed to maintain viable biological populations should be in some proportion to the size of the vegetation zones. Decisions on the size of new reserves will need to weigh various factors not quantified in the current paper, including the costs of establishing and maintaining protected areas in different locations, the merits of single large versus numerous small reserves, the limits of watersheds, and the defensibility of given locations against unauthorized access (see, for example, Peres & Terborgh 1994).

This paper has focused on biodiversity as the rationale for protecting areas of natural vegetation. This vegetation also plays important roles in global and regional climate regulation by storing carbon and recycling water. The priorities for conservation for climate regulation would be different, but establishing these priorities will depend on much of the same information presented here.

CONCLUSIONS

Only one-third of the terrestrial vegetation zones present in the Brazilian Legal Amazon are protected, considering as "vegetation zones" the area within each of the region's nine states that is covered by one of the region's 28 types of natural vegetation mapped by the Brazilian Institute for Environment and Renewable Natural Resources (IBAMA) at a scale of 1:5,000,000. Protecting an example of each type of vegetation within each state is recommended as a minimum goal.

To protect all 111 terrestrial vegetation zones present in the Legal Amazon, it would not be necessary to have a separate reserve for each because it is often possible to encompass several types in a single reserve. The present analysis indicates that only 38 (33%) of the vegetation zones have some area protected, which leaves 74 (67%) without protection. The situation is most critical in the contact areas between forest and cerrado in Maranhão, Tocantins and Mato Grosso. In Maranhão, only one of ten vegetation types presently has protection. The

states with the fewest vegetation zones protected are precisely those that have already lost the largest percentages of their forest cover.

In presenting results of a priority assignment exercise, care must be taken to avoid the implication that only these areas Powerful political and economic forces in Brazil are are needed. trying to remove restrictions on development in all areas outside narrowly defined reserves. In some cases, proposals would even revoke existing reserves to allow free exploitation of the entire region: the "Amazonian Code" proposed in July 1991 by Amazonas State Governor Gilberto Mestrinho states that "the areas of each state in the Amazon Region that, on the date of publication of this law, are under the effect of acts declaring permanent preservation will be the objects of revision, being submitted to new classification as specified in Article 18 of this Law [which states that all authority to create reserves will rest with the state legislatures] " (Mestrinho 1991: Chapter 5, Article 19). Recommendations of the present study emphatically do not imply that unrestricted development should be allowed in the remaining

As much area as possible needs to be set aside for conservation purposes, and this needs to be done very quickly. Otherwise there will be no second chance for many biologically important areas. Continuation of current trends in Amazonia would mean that areas that should be protected would soon be claimed by legal or illegal settlers. Deforestation can physically remove the possibility of future protection by removing the vegetation in question, but long before this process is complete, dramatic increases are expected in the political and financial costs of setting aside protected areas. This could make it impractical to create many future reserves. The costs of procrastination are, therefore, very high.

The urgency of establishing protected areas before opportunities are lost requires that decisions be taken now on the basis of available information. The danger must be avoided of further postponing decisions on the grounds that more data must be collected to ensure that the best possible areas are chosen. The dictum of Julius Caesar could not be more appropriate: sometimes it is more important that a decision be made than that it be the best decision.

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TABLE 7: AREA AND PERCENTAGE OF PROTECTED VEGETATION ZONES IN THE BRAZILIAN LEGAL AMAZON

Vegetation type^(a) Area protected (km^2)

Cate- gory	Code	Acre	Amapá	Amazonas	Maranhão	Mato Grosso	Pará	Rondônia	Roraima	Tocantins/ Goiás	Total Protected
Dense	Da-0		305	5,316			7	297	0	58	5,983
forest	-1 0		3.38%	3.22%	0 0 0 0 0		0.01%		0%	2.22%	2.31%
	Db-0	0 0%	0 0%	21,994	2,872		5,914	0 0%	0 0%		30,780
	Dm-0	0 6 	0	3.58% 3,902	12.72%		3.60% 0	0 % 	565		3.70% 4,467
	שנוו– ט		0%	38.33%			0%		2.73%		13.00%
	Ds-0	0	59	3,614	0	0	7,999		4,954	0	17,184
	<i>D</i> 5 0	0%	0.06%	2.03%	0%	0%	1.94%	3.82%	5.92%	0%	2.10%
S	ubtotal	0	 364	34,826	2,872	0	13,920	 855	5,519	 58	58,414
		0%	0.33%	3.60%	11.69%	0%	2.12%		4.68%		3.00%
Non-	Aa-0	375		99			0	0			474
dense		3.54%		0.15%			0%	0%			0.60%
forest	Ab-0	4,100		2,779				3,296			10,175
		3.58%		1.32%				8.03%			2.78%
	As-0			648		0	75	4,915	0	0	5,638
				1.73%	_	0%	0.03%	6.32%	0%	0%	1.05%
	Cs-0				0	0	0			0	0
	- 0				0%	0%	0%			0%	0%
	Fa-0					0 0%					0 0%
	Fs-0					0		0	0	430	430
						0%		0%	0%	32.38%	1.25%
	La-0			601					0		601
				4.01%					0%		3.77%
	Ld-0			485					476		961
	_			1.30%					4.34%		1.99%
	Lg-0			0					0		0
	T 0 0			0%					0%		0%
	LO-0			15,029					1,296		16,325
	ON-0			8.71%		0	0	0	4.29% 0		8.05% 0
	014-0					0 0%	0%	0%	0%		0%
	Pf-0		1,547		0		0				1,547
	11 0		84.86%		0%		0%				19.82%
	SM-0				0						0

	SN-0 SO-0		 796 18.84%	0 0% 0 0%	0% 0 0% 	2,592 1.82% 0 0%	0 0% 0 0%	0 0% 2,993 13.65%	0 0% 0 0%	0 0% 0 0%	0% 2,592 1.31% 3,789 2.59%
	Subtotal		2,343 38.73%	19,641 3.40%	0 0%	2,592 0.53%	75 0.02%	11,204 6.99%	1,772 2.55%	430 1.82%	42,532 2.30%
	Subtotal all forests			54,467 3.52%		2,592 0.51%	13,995 1.34%	12,059 6.71%	7,291 3.89%	488 1.66%	100,946 2.66%
Non- forest	Pa-0		5,739 37.86%	54 0.42%	 0 0%		 0 0%	1,569 18.06%			7,362 9.08%
	rm-O								0 0%		0 0%
	Sa-0			0 0%	0 0왕	1,336 0.80%	0 0%	3,513 31.86%		0 0%	4,849 1.41%
	Sd-0				0 0%	0 0%	0 0%			0 0%	0 0%
	Sg-0					854 8.14%	0 0 0%		0 0%	0 0 0%	854 2.24%
	Sp-0		158 1.57%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	4,064 8.30%	4,222 2.35%
	ST-0					0 0%					0
	Td-3								0 0%		0 0%
	Tp-3								0 0 0%		0 0 0%
	Subtotal	0 0%	5,897 23.41%	54 0.27%	0 0%	2,190 0.80%	0 0%	5,082 21.82%	0 0%	4,064 2.53%	17,287 2.49%
	Total		8,604 6.07%	54,521 3.48%	2,872 2.07%	4,782 0.61%	13,995 1.28%	17,141 8.48%	7,291 3.25%	4,552 2.39%	118,233

⁽a) Vegetation presently unaltered according to 1:5,000,000 vegetation map (Brazil, IBGE and IBDF 1988).
"--" indicates that no vegetation of this type exists in the state;
"0" indicates that vegetation exists, but none is protected.

TABLE 6: AREA OF NATURAL VEGETATION PRESENT IN THE BRAZILIAN LEGAL AMAZON (km²)

Cate- gory	Code		-	Amazonas		Mato Grosso		Rondônia	Roraima	Tocantin Goiás	s Total present
Dense forest	Da-0 Db-0 Dm-0		9,011 2,184	164,876 615,203 10,181	22,586	22 154	76,570 164,091 3,418 413,345	2,704 2,066	3,326 10,248 20,661		832,786 34,373
	Ds-0 Subtotal						413,345 657,424				817,682 1,943,938
Non- dense forest	Aa-0 Ab-0 As-0 Cs-0 Fa-0 Fs-0 Ld-0 Ld-0 Lg-0 CON-0 SM-0 SM-0 SN-0	10,591	1,823	65,748 211,052 37,555 14,979 37,405 9,663 172,607	3,666 2,089 384 6,570	124,620 736 3,554 24,317	805 286,271 5,386	2,273 41,064 77,794 7,718 4,801	8,430 1,041 970 10,967 9,767 30,184 3,045	1,216 115 1,328	79,417 366,496 535,886 9,903 3,554 34,404 15,949 48,372 19,430 202,791 178,906 7,806 384 198,392
	Subtotal	124,971	6,049	577,441	12,709	486,198	386,893	160,363	69,594	23,675	1,847,893
	all fore	sts	116,577	1,545,804	37,283	509,352	1,044,317	179,740	187,521	29,340	3,791,831
Non- forest	Pa-0 rm-0 Sa-0 Sd-0 Sg-0 Sp-0 ST-0 Td-3 Tp-3				55,758 15,771	167,534 10,840 10,490	5,057 12,393	11,028	390	102,445 2,234 7,113 48,962	30,119 38,141
	Subtotal	0	25,195	19,865	101,026	274,286	51,572	22,382	37,061	160,754	692,141
	Total	141,897	141,772	1,565,669	138,309	783,638	1,095,889	202,122	224,582	190,094	4,483,972

Total 141,897 141,772 1,565,669 138,309 783,638 1,095,889 202,122 224,582 190,094 4,483,972 (a) Areas in km^2 measured from 1:5,000,000 vegetation map (Brazil, IBGE and IBDF 1988). These areas do not reflect losses due to recent deforestation.

TABLE 5: EXAMPLE RESERVES FOR PROTECTION OF CURRENTLY UNPROTECTED VEGETATION TYPES

Example reserved no.	le State ve	Name	Vegetation types (Codes from Table 1)
(Fig.	2)		
1	Acre	Extension of Serra do Divisor Na	
2	Amapá/ Pará	Serra do Tumucumaque	Dm-0 [Amapá]; Dm-0 [Pará]
3	Amapá	Lower Jari	Db-0; Ds-0*
4	Amazonas	Extension of Jutaí-Solimões Ecolo	
5	Amazonas	Rio Demini	Lg-0
6	Amazonas	Extension of Abufarí Biological I	
7	Amazonas	Campos de Humaitá/ Campos de Estanho	Sa-0; SO-0; Sp-0
8	Amazonas/ Rondônia	<u>Várzea</u> of Rio <u>Machad</u> o/Ji-Paraná	Aa-0 [Rondônia]; Aa-0* [Amazonas]
9	Amazonas	Rio Juruena	SN-0
10	Maranhão	Mangroves of northern Maranhão	Pf-0
11	Maranhão	Extension of Gurupí Biological Re	
12	Maranhão	Mangroves of	Pa-0; Pf-0

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13	Maranhão	Extension of Lençois Maranhenses	SM-0 Nat. Park [off map]				
14	Maranhão	Rio Zutiua	Cs-0; SN-0				
15	Maranhão	Boa Esperança	Sd-0				
16	Maranhão	Rio Parnaíba	Sa-0; Sp-0				
17	Mato Grosso	Aripuanã	As-0; Ds-0; ON-0; Sd-0				
18	Mato Grosso	Serra do Roncador	SO-0				
19	Mato Grosso	Upper Xingu/ Rio Sete de Setembro	Fa-0; ON-0; Pa-0 O				
20	Mato Grosso	Pontes e Lacerda	Fs-0; Sp-0; ST-0				
21	Mato Grosso	Rio Jauru	Cs-0; Fs-0				
22	Pará	Rio Cumina	Sd-0; SO-0				
23	Roraima	Prainha	As-0; SO-0				
24	Pará	<u>Várzea</u> of <u>Almeirim</u>	Pa-0				
25	Pará	Ilha Caviana	Da-0*; Pa-0; Sp-0				
26	Pará	Ilha de Marajó	Da-0*				
27	Pará	Mangroves of Baía de Marajó	Pf-0				
28	Pará	Serra do Carajás	As-0*; Dm-0				
29	Pará	Serra do Cachimbo	Cs-0; ON-0; Sa-0				

30	Pará	Rio Benedito SN-0; SO-0	
31	Pará	Cerrado of Sg-0 Araguaia	
32	Rondônia	Rio Abunã Db-0	
33	Rondônia	Upper Guaporé Fs-0; Sp-0	
34	Rondônia	Colorado d'Oeste ON-0; SN-0	
35	Roraima	Campos de Roraima Sg-0; SN-0; Sp-0; Td-3; Tp-0	
36	Roraima	Parima refugium rm-0	
37 Carac	Roraima caraí	Northern extension As-0; La-0; Lg-0; ON-0 Ecological Station	of
38	Roraima	Tacutu Fs-0; SO-0	
39	Roraima	Eastern extension As-0; Lg-0 of Caracaraí Ecological Station	
40	Roraima	Rio Jauaperi Da-0; Db-0	
41	Tocantins	Bico de Papagaio As-0; Cs-0; SO-0	
42	Tocantins	Rio Araguaia Ds-0	
43	Tocantins	Central Tocantins Sa-0; Sd-0; SN-0	
44	Tocantins	Cerrados of Sa-0; Sg-0 Rio Sono	

^{*}These ecoregions have some small area protected in existing reserves (<0.5% of the area of the ecoregion): Aa-0 in Amazonas; As-0 in Pará; Da-0 in Pará; Ds-0 in Amapá and

Pa-0 in Amazonas. Two of these vegetation types require additional reserves (example reserves Nos. 43 and 44), while the others can be protected within the example reserves needed to protect vegetation types currently with no area protected.

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	Code ^(a) (Fig. 2)	Type		Vegetation code from Table 1 (area in km²)
ACRE	ES06 NP10	Ecological station National park	Rio Acre Serra do Divisor	Ab-0 (984 km²) Aa-0 (372 km²); Ab-0 (3083 km²)
AMAPÁ	BR01			Da-0 (306 km ²); Pa-0 (3031 km ²); Pf-0 (473 km ²); Sp-0 (159 km ²)
	ES11 NP01	Ecological station National park	Maracá-Jipioca Cabo Orange	Pa-0 (548 km ²) Ds-0 (59 km ²); Pa-0 (2184 km ²); Pf-0 (1080 km ²); SO-0 (799 km ²)
AMAZONAS	BR04 BR07	Biological reserve Biological reserve		Ab-0 (60 km²); Da-0 (3312 km²); Pa-0 (54 km²) Not included on Conservation International map; total area = 10,100 km²
	NP02	National park	Pico da Neblina	Da-0 (22 km ²); Dm-0 (3874 km ²); Ds-0 (2699 km ²); La-0 (597 km ²); LO-0 (13,672 km ²)
	NP03	National park		Ab-0 (2699 km ²); As-0 (643 km ²); Db-0 (17,822 km ²); Ds-0 (378 km ²); Ld-0 (481 km ²); LO-0 (1248 km ²)
	NP04 ER01	National park Ecological reserve	Amazônia Sauim-Castanheira	Db-0 (231 km²) Not included on Conservation International map; total area = 1 km²
	ER02 ES05 ES12	Ecological reserve Ecological station Ecological station		Aa-0 (98 km ²); Da-0 (945 km ²); Db-0 (1014 km ²) Da-0 (449 km ²); Db-0 (481 km ²); Ds-0 (511 km ²)
MARANHÃO	BR03	Biological reserve	Gurupí	Db-0 (2936 km ²)
MATO GROSSO	ES03 ES09 ES10 NP07 NP08	Ecological station Ecological station Ecological station National park National park	Taiamã Serra das Araras Chapada dos Guimarães	$\begin{array}{llllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$
PARÁ	ES07 NP04 BR02 BR08	Ecological station National park Biological reserve Biological reserve	Amazônia Rio Trombetas	Da-0 (7 km^2) ; Ds-0 (2010 km^2) As-0 (75 km^2) ; Db-0 (5144 km^2) ; Ds-0 (2987 km^2) Db-0 (795 km^2) ; Ds-0 (3036 km^2) Vegetation not available; total area = 182 km ²
RONDÔNIA	BR05 BR06	Biological reserve Biological reserve		As-0 (2398 km ²) Da-0 (295 km ²); Pa-0 (1560 km ²); Sa-0 (1388 km ²) SO-0 (145 km ²)
	ES02 NP05	Ecological station National park		Ds-0 (192 km²); SO-0 (701 km²) Ab-0 (88 km²); As-0 (2490 km²); Ds-0 (363 km²); Sa-0 (2105 km²); SO-0 (2130 km²)
RORAIMA	ES01	Ecological station	Caracaraí	Ld-0 (475 km²); LO-0 (111 km²), plus the former Niquiá Ecological Station (no vegetation information available; not included on Conservation International map; total area = 2866 km²)
	ES04 NP09	Ecological station National park		map; total area = 2866 km) Dm-0 (564 km²); Ds-0 (421 km²); LO-0 (171 km²) Not included on Conservation International map; total area = 1160 km²
TOCANTINS/ GOIÁS	ES08	Ecological station	Coco-Javaes	Not included on Conservation International map; total area = 370 km ²
	NP06	National park		Da-0 (57 km ²); Fs-0 (421 km ²); Sp-0 (3981 km ²)

Note: Sums of areas by state differ slightly from totals in Table 3 because an adjustment for state area has not been applied.

(a) Biological reserve = BR, Ecological reserve = ER, Ecological station = ES, National park = NP.

TABLE 3: PROTECTED AND SEMI-PROTECTED AREAS IN THE BRAZILIAN LEGAL AMAZON

			Protect	ed areas	(10^3 km^2)			Semi-pro	tected are	as		Total (all
State	Terres- trial area of state	Ecologi- cal Station	Nation- al Park	Biologi- cal Reserve	Ecologi- cal Reserve	Total protec- ted and percentag	National Forest ge	Forestry Reserve	Extrac- tive Reserve	Indig- enous Areas	Total	types of areas) and percentage
Acre	154	984				4 439 2.9%			20 248	11 443	31 691	36 130 23.5%
Amapá	142		4 123	3 969	548	8 640 6.1%			8 052	9 588	17 640	26 280 18.5%
Amazonas	1 568	4 399	44 365	13 527	2 057	64 348 4.1%		36 980	3 994	287 015	327 989	392 337 25.0%
Maranhão	260			2 936		2 936 1.1%				18 505	18 505	21 441 8.2%
Mato Grosso	901	2 225	2 547			4 772 0.5%				111 285	111 285	116 057 12.9%
Pará	1 247		8 206	3 831	2 016	14 053 1.1%	3 021	11 363		161 998	176 382	190 435 15.3%
Rondônia	238	893	7 176	8 978		17 047 7.2%			10 346	39 974	50 320	67 367 28.3%
Roraima	225	5 192			1 156	7 508 3.3%				97 505	97 505	105 013 46.7%
Tocantins Goiás	3/ 273	370	4 460			4 830 1.6%				23 415	23 415	27 875 10.2%
LEGAL AMAZON	5 009	15 709	75 492	33 241	3 761	128 203	3 021	48 343	22 392	749 285	823 041	946 805
Percent of area of t	he	0.3%	1.5%	0.7%	0.1%	2.6%	0.1%	1.0%	0.4%	15.0%	16.49	18.9%

Note: Areas measured from maps at a scale of 1:5,000,000 prepared by Conservation International, with the exception of extractive reserves, which are from Fearnside (1989c). Areas do not include portions covered by water according to Brazil, IBGE & IBDF 1988. Not all indigenous areas listed have legal protection. All categories include all types of vegetation (not only forest); only intact natural vegetation is included. In the case of reserves not included on the Conservation International Map (Uatumä Biological Reserve, Sauim-Castanheira Ecological Reserve, Caracaraí [Niquiá] Ecological Station, Coco-Javaes Ecological Station, Monte Roraima National Park), total area is used, possibly including water and non-natural vegetation.

TABLE 2: EXTENT OF DEFORESTATION IN THE BRAZILIAN LEGAL AMAZON

State	Original	Original forest	Defores	sted area	(10^3 km^2) a	and percent	cage (%)	
	area (10^3 km^2)	area (10^3 km^2)	Jan. 1978				Aug. 1991	
1	2	3		5 	6	7	8	
		DEFORESTAT	'ION EXCLUSI	/E OF HYDR	OELECTRIC	DAMS		
Acre	154	152	2.6 1.7%		9.8 6.4%			
Amapá	132	115	0.2	0.8		1.3	1.7	
Amazonas	1,561	1,481	2.3	17.3	19.3	19.8	20.8	
Maranhão	155	143			1.3% 92.3 ^(c) 64.5%			
Mato Grosso	585	528	26.5	71.5	79.6 15.1%	83.6	86.5	
Pará	1,218	1,139	61.7 ^(c)	129.5 ^(c)	137.3 ^(c) 12.1%	142.2 ^(c)	146.0 ^(c)	
Rondônia	224	215	6.3	29.6		33.1	34.2	
	188		0.1%	1.7%	3.6 2.2%	2.3%	2.6%	
Tocantins Goiás	/ 58		4.2 7.1%	36.7%	37.9%	38.9%	39.7%	
Legal Amazon	4,275		169.9 4.3%	372.8 9.3%		410.4 10.3%	421.6	
	-	FOREST	FLOODED BY I				-	_
				0.1%		0.1%	0.1%	

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1	69.9	376.7	401.4	415.2	426.4
	4.3%	9.4%	10.0%	10.4%	10.7%

Source: Fearnside et al. (nd.), Fearnside (1993a) for 1988-1991 values; 1978 values remeasured by Skole and Tucker (1993) from Tardin et al. (1980); see Fearnside (1993b). (a) These original forest areas are measured from the IBAMA map (Brazil, IBGE and IBDF 1988).

- (b) These original forest areas were measured by the National Space Research Institute (INPE). The forest areas in column 3 were defined by appearance on LANDSAT-TM images, and are the most consistent with the deforested area estimates in columns 4-8. They have therefore been used to calculate the percentages. The inconsistencies with the original forest area estimates from the IBAMA map (column 2) represent a major source of uncertainty in available information on deforestation percentages. The original forest areas in column 2 would imply that 10.0% had been lost by 1991, as compared to 10.7% using column 3.
- (c) Maranhão values include $57.8 \times 10^3 \text{ km}^2$, and Pará values include $39.8 \times 10^3 \text{ km}^2$, of "old" (approximately pre-1960) deforestation, now largely under secondary forest.

TABLE 1: VEGETATION TYPES IN THE BRAZILIAN LEGAL AMAZON

Cate- Code gory	Group Su	ubgroup	Class
Dense Da-0	Ombrophilous forest De	ense forest	Alluvial Amazonian
Forest Db-0	Ombrophilous forest De	ense forest	Lowland Amazonian
Dm-0		ense forest	Montane Amazonian
Ds-0	Ombrophilous forest De	ense forest	Submontane Amazonian
Non- Aa-0		pen	Alluvial
dense Ab-0		pen	Lowland
forest As-0		pen	Submontane
Cs-0		eciduous	Submontane
Fa-0		emideciduous	Alluvial
Fs-0		emideciduous	Submontane
La-0	Woody oligotrophic vegetation of swar		
Ld-0	Woody oligotrophic vegetation of swar		Dense arboreous
Lg-0	Woody oligotrophic vegetation of swar		Grassy-woody
LO-0	Areas of ecological tension and conta	act	Woody oligotrophic vegetation of swampy
ON-0	Areas of ecological tension and conta	act	and sandy areasombrophilous forest Ombrophilous forestseasonal forest
Pf-0	Areas of pioneer formations	acc	Fluvio-marine influence
SM-0	Areas of ecological tension and conta	act.	Savannadense ombrophilous forest
SN-0	Areas of ecological tension and conta		Savannaseasonal forest
SO-0	Areas of ecological tension and conta		Savannaombrophilous forest
Non- Pa-0	Areas of pioneer formations		Fluvial influence
forest rm-0	Ecological refugium Hi	igh altitude	Montane
Sa-0		errado	Open arboreous
Sd-0	Savanna	errado	Dense arboreous
Sg-0		errado	Grassy-woody
Sp-0		errado	Parkland
ST-0	Areas of ecological tension and conta		Savannasteppe-like savanna
Td-3		oraima grasslands	Dense arboreous
Tp-3	Steppe-like savanna Ro	oraima grasslands	Parkland

Source: Brazil, Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística (IBGE) & Instituto Brasileiro do Desenvolvimento Florestal (IBDF) 1988.

TABLE 8: PERCENTAGE PROTECTED OF VEGETATION IN THE BRAZILIAN LEGAL AMAZON Vegetation $$\operatorname{\textsc{Percentage}}$$ of the area present that is protected

type	· 										
Cate- gory	Code		-	Amazonas	Maranhão	Mato Grosso		Rondônia	Roraima	Tocantins Goiás	Total Protected
Dense forest	Da-0 Db-0	0.00	3.38	3.22			0.01 3.60	10.98			2.31 3.70
	Dm-0 Ds-0	0.00		38.33 2.03	0.00	0.00	0.00 1.94	3.82		0.00	13.00 2.10
	Subtotal	0.00	0.33		11.69		2.12	4.41	4.68	1.02	3.00
Non- dense	Aa-0 Ab-0	3.54		0.10			0.00				0.60 2.78
forest	As-0 Cs-0			1.73			0.03	6.32	0.00	0.00	1.05
	Fa-0 Fs-0					0.00		0.00	0.00	32.38	0.00 1.25
	La-0 Ld-0			1.30					0.00 4.34		3.77 1.99
	Lg-0 LO-0 ON-0			8.71			0.00		0.00 4.29 0.00		0.00 8.05 0.00
	Pf-0 SM-0		84.86		0.00		0.00			==	19.82 0.00
	SN-0 SO-0		18.84		0.00	1.82			0.00		1.31
	Subtotal	3.58	38.73	3.40	0.00		0.02		2.55	1.82	2.30
	Subtotal all fores		2.32	3.52				6.71	3.89	1.66	2.66
Non- forest	Pa-0 rm-0 Sa-0								0.00	0.00	9.08 0.00 1.41
	Sd-0 Sd-0 Sq-0					0.00	0.00		0.00		0.00
	Sp-0 ST-0		1.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.30	2.35
	Td-3 Tp-3								0.00		0.00
	Subtotal		23.41		0.00				0.00		2.49
	Total	3.1	5 6.07	3.48	2.07	0.61	1.28	8.48	3.25	2.39	2.64





