# Subannual mapping of impervious surface in the Houston metropolitan area

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### **HOUSTON IS ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING CITIES IN THE NATION**



HOUSTON'S POPULATION IS ON THE RISE AND THE AREA IS **CONTINUALLY GROWING TO ADAPT TO THEIR NEW RESIDENTS.** 

### Los Angeles Times

# How Houston has become the most diverse place in America



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## From Space City to Food City: In 2019, Houston's brand is all about delicious diversity

Alison Cook and Greg Morago | March 26, 2019 | Updated: March 26, 2019 6:25 p.m.





## Houston Is the New Capital Of Southern Cool

By Brett Martin • August 23, 2018

How Ho

place in



The casual outdoor vibes at the Axelrad Beer Garden.

**A few years ago,** Matthew Odam was driving from Austin, Texas, where he's the restaurant critic at the *Austin American-Statesman,* to Houston, where he was raised. He had a passenger: a friend of a friend who was moving back to Houston after spending some time kicking around the capital, working music



5 min ago

#### George Bush Intercontinental Airport got half a foot of rain in two hours

From CNN Meteorologist Allison Chinchar

As of noon ET (11 a.m. CT), George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston has received 6.42 inches of rain in two hours. The airport averages 4.07 inches of rain for the entire month of September.

Their September monthly record is 13.37 inches set back in 1913.

US Crime + Justice Energy + Environment Extreme Weather Space + Science

#### Rescues are underway as Imelda floods roads and homes in southeastern Texas

By Jason Hanna, Gianluca Mezzofiore and Madeline Holcombe, CNN () Updated 11:47 AM ET. Thu September 19, 2019







The latest rainfall reports from Imelda as of 9 a.m. CDT Friday, Sept. 20.

Brian K. Sullivan and Catherine Ngai | Bloomberg News September 20, 2019 11:15 AM, EDT

## Imelda Rainfall Totals Almost 4



## Hurricane Harvey (August 2017)

alid Ending Wednesday August 30th, 2017 at 6 AM CD1



Harvey continued to produce record breaking rainfall totals of 45 to over 50 inches... with - 44.08 - 33.44

interactive map of the







## "How" is Houston growing?

 where are farms and forests being converted to urban areas?

• where are urban areas growing denser?

 how fast are these changes occurring?



#### Land cover classes Barren / Sand

Developed - Open Space
Developed - Low Intensity
Developed - Medium Intensity
Developed - High Intensity
Cultivated Crops
Grassland / Pasture
Forest
Water

## Land cover change

the complex result of a combination of resource scarcity, market • opportunities, policy intervention, and changes in social organization and attitudes (Rindfuss, Walsh, Turner, Fox, & Mishra, 2004)

## **Urbanization time series: 1997:2018**

### **Annual land cover classes**

### **Subannual percent impervious**







## **Urbanization time series: 1997:2018**

## **Annual land cover classes**

1





## **Annual land cover class change**



**Temporal extent:** 21 years (1997-2017) **Temporal resolution:** Annual **Thematic resolution:** 9 classes **Spatial resolution:** 30x30 m **Spatial extent:** 35,000 km<sup>2</sup>



## RICE | KINDER



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### Image (date 1)







Classification (date 2)





NLCD reference map (date 1)



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### Image Difference

cover class. Stable pixels are those within a given distance from the mean  $(\mu_1)$  of class k.

#### **Spatial filters**



1,500 KILOMETERS

BOD MEETS

The National Land Cover Database

Figure 1. The National Land Cover Database (NLCD) land cover layer is one of several primary and supplementary layers in NLCD 2006. NLCD 2006 is the most recent 30-meter, seamless, wall-to-wall land cover database for the conterminous United States. NLCD 2001

#### NLCD 2006

1997

### NLCD 2011

2018



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#### **Spatial filters**

## **Clouds, error, and**

contamination.





## 3-7 images per year

## **Clouds, error, and contamination**









## **Spatio-temporal filtering**



#### Landcover

- Developed (raw)
- Developed (smoothed)
- Grass (raw)
- Grass (smoothed)
- Forest (raw)
- Forest (smoothed)

## **Accuracy Assessment**

### NLCD agreement

Table 2. Agreement with NLCD maps for 2001, 2006, and 2011 (%).  $U_{AG}$  – user's agreement;  $P_{AG}$  – producer's agreement;  $O_{AG}$  – overall agreement. NLCD as reference.

	2001		2006		2011	
	U <sub>AG</sub> (%)	P <sub>AG</sub> (%)	U <sub>AG</sub> (%)	P <sub>AG</sub> (%)	U <sub>AG</sub> (%)	P <sub>AG</sub> (%)
Barren/Sand	71.0	30.5	63.9	28.9	67.6	29.6
Developed-Open	58.1	76.9	53.9	74.9	52.0	74.4
Developed-Low	48.1	43.6	44.0	48.0	43.2	49.4
Developed-Medium	60.7	45.6	57.3	51.4	60.0	50.7
Developed-High	58.0	71.0	54.7	73.7	56.4	73.1
Cultivated Crops	80.0	76.7	80.1	76.3	80.1	76.2
Grassland/Pasture	75.3	81.5	75.8	79.9	76.1	78.9
Forest	86.8	76.9	88.2	75.1	87.1	75.2
Water	84.4	99.5	84.9	99.4	85.7	97.7
O <sub>AG</sub>	75.7		74.9		74.3	

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### **Accuracy Assessment**

### **Fuzzy accuracy** (multi-temporal independent validation)

**Table 5.** Fuzzy accuracy assessment. UA – user's accuracy; OA – overall accuracy, followed by 95% confidence intervals. Fuzzy linguistic scale following Woodcock and Gopal (2000): good answer ('Good') and reasonable or acceptable ('Acceptable').

		Reference
		UA 'Good' (%)
Мар	Barren/Sand	96.3 ± 4.2
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	Developed-Low	83.0 ± 3.8
	Developed-Med	83.8 ± 3.8
	Developed-High	92.5 ± 2.9
	Cultivated Crops	85.9 ± 5.5
	Grassland/Pasture	95.1 ± 1.6
	Forest	93.0 ± 2.2
	Water	95.8 ± 2.7
	OA	90.6 ± 1.1

#### UA 'Acceptable' (%)



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## Year of conversion (The Woodlands & Cinco Ranch)

1997

2017



#### **Change year**

## Land cover change rates



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#### Landcover class

- ---- Developed Open
- ---- Developed Low
- ---- Developed Medium
- Developed High
- ---- Cultivated Crops
- ---- Grassland/Pasture
- --- Forest

## Urbanization and underlying socio-economic trends



periodicity time lags

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Pearland land cover (1998)





#### 1998

2016



## **Development in the FEMA 100yr Floodplain - Sugarland**

### Jurisdiction





Sugar Land land cover (2016)



#### 1998

2016

# Portion of jurisdiction in FEMA 100yr Floodplain



## **Development in the FEMA 100yr Floodplain - Greatwood**

#### **Jurisdiction**

# Portion of jurisdiction in FEMA 100yr Floodplain





Greatwood land cover (2016)



1998





## **Urbanization time series: 1997:2018**

### **Subannual percent impervious**

2.





## Subannual continuous fields impervious fractional cover

**Temporal extent:** 22 years (1997-2018) **Spatial resolution:** 30x30 m **Spatial extent:** 2720 km<sup>2</sup> **Temporal resolution:** subannual (~3/year) **Thematic resolution:** continuous impervious (0-100%)





## **Automatic Adaptive Signature Generalization for regression**

### Image (date 1)



#### Confidence (date 2)





#### Prediction (date 2)

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#### Reference Map (date 1)

Image (date 2)

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	Year	adj-R <sup>2</sup>	RMSE
NLCD	2001	0.82	0.14
NLCD	2006	0.77	0.16
NLCD	2011	0.77	0.16
Quickbird	2005	0.72	0.15
Quickbird	2007	0.80	0.14
Quickbird	2013	0.79	0.14

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MAE	bias
0.09	0.01
0.11	0.02
0.11	-0.01
0.11	-0.05
0.11	0.03
0.11	-0.01











## **1. Automated model parameterization and prediction**

- multi-band stable sites
- proportional allotment
- random stratified sampling •



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- periodicity •
- abrupt transitions
- time lags

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  - kinder.rice.edu/urban-data-platform

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**URBAN DATA PLATFORM** 





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## **NGA Commercial Archive Data**

Access to High-Resolution Data for NASA Earth Science Investigators NASA



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1997







Lake Charles

Beaumont

Each LCLU map has a methodological and temporal vintage which is sometimes called an "ontology" (Comber, Fisher, & Wadsworth, 2005b). Ontologies are explicit specifications of an abstract representation of the world (Gruber, 1993; Guarino, 1995) like a map. In an LCLU mapping context they reflect choices over spatial, spectral, and radiometric data resolutions as well as the number and type of LCLU classes of the data. No vintage (or ontology) is ever the same because of the many embedded processes and assumptions (Comber et al., 2005b). Comparing LCLU maps in a post-classification change analysis is difficult (Fuller, Smith, & Devereux, 2003; Tewkesbury, Comber, Tate, Lamb, & Fisher, 2015) because any differences between them will reflect artefactual differences in ontology (Comber, Fisher, & Wadsworth, 2004), errors, and actual differences on the ground.



## **Distribution of Landsat imagery**





#### WRS2 path/row

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#### Landsat Sensor

5 TM
7 ETM+
8 OLI