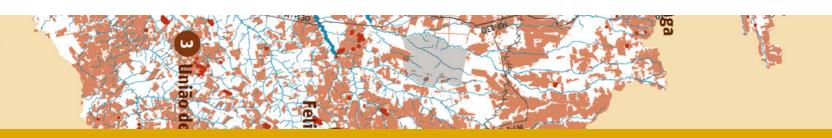
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DEFORESTATION REPORT FOR THE XINGU BASIN No 18

Near real-time deforestation radar monitoring system



7,847 ha deforested in March

13,012 ha

~ 41%

decrease in deforestation compared to the last two months

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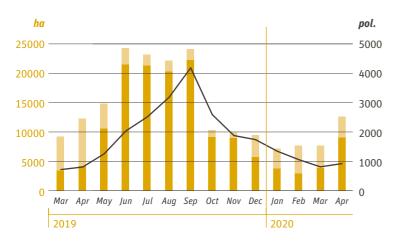
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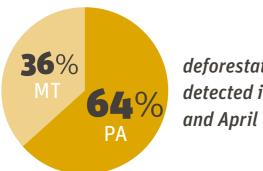
INTRODUCTION & RESULTS

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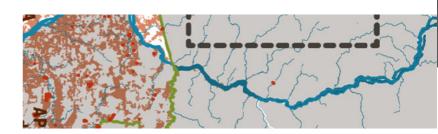
between March and April in the Xingu river basin



number of polygons Deforested Area in MT Deforested Area in PA



deforestation detected in March



20,859 HECTARES WERE DEFORESTED IN MARCH and April 2020 in the Xingu River Basin, a 41% increase compared to the two first months of the year, due to the rise in deforestation in Pará, which has gone up again after five months of reduction.

Within Protected Areas, there was a 20% reduction in deforestation, as a result of the command and control actions taken in Indigenous Lands in the basin.

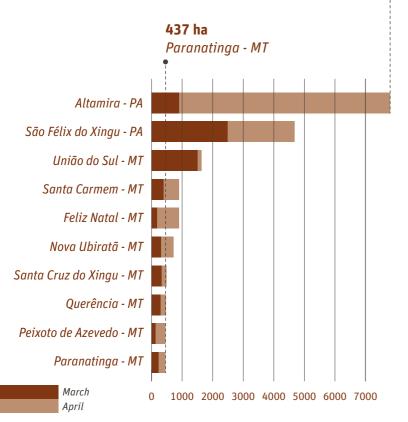
OUT OF THE 21 THOUSAND HECTARES DEFORESTED, 13,258 hectares were in the Pará portion of the basin, a 74% increase compared to the same period in 2019. Out of the total deforested in March and April in Pará, 99% is illegal

In Mato Grosso the situation was inverted, in March and April the state registered a tiny 6% drop compared to the previous two months and 45% compared to the same period last year.

MUNICIPALITIES

7,585 ha in April, Altamira deforested more than all the municipalities

in the basin combined





In April alone, the municipality of Altamira deforested more than all the other municipalities in the basin combined, accounting for 6,713 ha of deforestation in a single month, equivalent to the felling of 186 trees per minute. Deforestation was concentrated in the southern portion of the municipality, in the region of influence of Novo Progresso.

Second on the ranking, São Félix do Xingu registered 4,550 ha of deforestation in March and April, 83% concentrated in the Triunfo do Xingu Protected Area.

In Mato Grosso, although União do Sul was the most deforested municipality in the bimester, with 1,587 deforested ha, Feliz Natal led the ranking of vegetation suppression with a 332% increase in the deforestation rates compared to March.

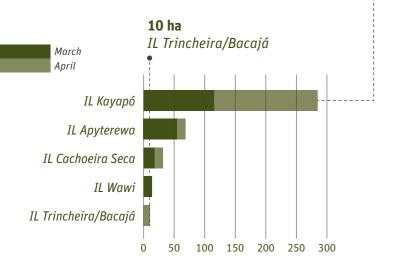
With the end of the rainy season, deforestation tends to increase and, consequently, forest fires too. It can aggravate the health conditions in the region, already impacted by the Covi-19 pandemic, which should reach its peak during the critical period of fire season (between August and October). Air pollution caused by fires worsens air quality, increasing the incidence of respiratory infections and hospital admissions, which can further burden health systems. (Learn more in the INPE study)

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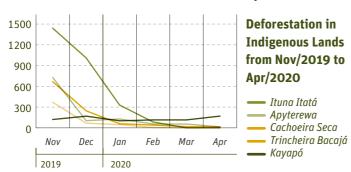
INDIGENOUS LANDS

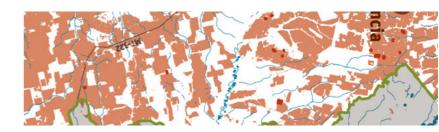
285ha

were deforested in IL Kayapó in March and April



There was a 58% reduction in deforestation in IL's after Ibama's field operations.





AFTER IBAMA'S FIELD OPERATIONS IN INDIGENOUS LANDS in the south of Pará, deforestation rates in Cachoeira Seca, Apyterewa, Ituna Itatá and Trincheira Bacajá Indigenous Lands had a significant drop. These four were the most deforested Indigenous Lands in the Xingu river basin and also in Brazil in 2019, according to the monitoring data from Prodes and Sirad X.

In March and April, ILs Apyterewa and Trincheira Bacajá had a 40% and 49% reduction, respectively, compared to the same period in 2019. In Ituna Itatá, deforestation dropped to zero in the second bimester of the year.

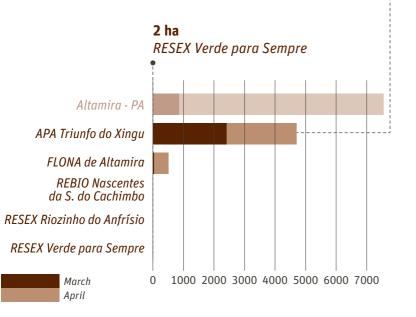
In contrast, illegal mining increased in the Kayapó Indigenous Land in the areas not affected by Ibama's operations in April. It was detected 285 deforested hectares in March and April 2020, 32% more than the previous two months.

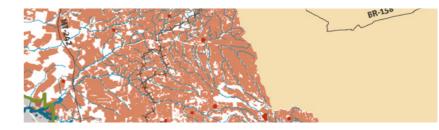
Amid the command and control actions, the coordinators responsible for them were dismissed, hindering the ongoing work to combat illegal deforestation.

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CONSERVATION UNITS

4,718 ha of forest loss in APA Triunfo do Xingu

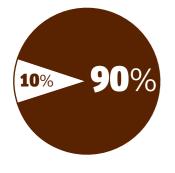




IN MARCH AND APRIL, DEFORESTATION IN APA TRIUNFO do Xingu rose again, concentrating 90% of all deforestationin Conservation Units in the basin. In all,4,718 ha of forest were cleared, a 57% increase compared to the same period in 2019.

Altamira National Forest (Flona) also registered high deforestation in rates, with 516 ha of forest loss in the second bimester of the year, 231% more than in the previous two months. Besides two illegal mining fronts located in the west and northwest of its territory, illegal invasions continue to operate in the southern portion of the Protected Area.

APA TRIUNFO DO XINGU



90% of all deforestation in Protected Areas was concentrated in APA Triunfo do Xingu.

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CRITICAL AREA

Illegal mining in the Kayapó Indigenous Land

502 ha were deforested in the first four months of 2020 - 170 ha in April alone

THE KAYAPÓ INDIGENOUS LAND STANDS OUT FOR THE LARGE NUMBER of illegal mining fronts spread throughout its territory and for the greatest infrastructure built to support illegal activities such as roads and airstrips. 502 hectares were deforested in the first four months of 2020 - 170 ha in April alone, 28% more than the same period last year.

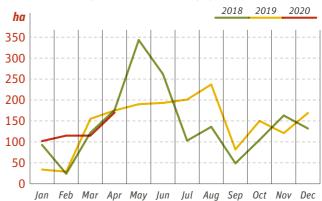
The IL is one of the Protected Areas with the oldest mining activities, beginning in the early 1980's. From 2015 on, illegal mining has accelerated, mainly in its northeast limit, on the banks of Branco river. Only in 2019, more than 1,700 ha were deforested caused by mining activities that are getting closer to the villages.

Today, there are five main active mining fronts: on Branco and Trairão river banks, in the northeast region; by Arraias and Fresco rivers, in thesoutheast region, and also in the tributaries of the west bank of the Fresco river. Last month another incipient mining focus was detected close to the center of the territory, in Riozinho river tributaries.

After a year without surveillance, a field operation took place in the northwest of the IL in April. Even so, the uncertainty of the continuity of effective



Deforestation Dynamic in the IL Kayapó



actions to combat illegal activity concerns indigenous peoples and partners.

To date, more than 11 thousand hectares have been deforested in the Kayapó Indigenous Land, causing irreparable damage to the environment and the indigenous.

With the spread of Covid-19 throughout the country, illegal mining represents another threat: the invasions can be disease vectors and cause the contamination of indigenous people.

