



Cover image: Pictured is a soy field in the state of Paraná, Brazil. Using spatially detailed satellite imagery, Viviana Zalles et al. found that cropland area in Brazil increased from 26 Mha to 46.5 Mha between 2000 and 2014, largely through conversion of pasture to cropland. Natural vegetation conversion to cropland was greater in the Cerrado savannas than in Amazon forests. The results suggest that cropland expansion in Brazil may continue under current economic conditions. See the article by Zalles et al. on pages 428–435. Image courtesy of Global Land Analysis and Discovery Laboratory at University of Maryland, College Park, MD.

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