Data access

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The analyses in our paper used two datasets, both of which are publicly available. They are:

1. Global tree cover change

We used data produced by Hansen et al. (2013). These data can be freely downloaded from: https://earthenginepartners.appspot.com/science-2013-global-forest/download_v1.2.html

2. Global population density

We used LandScan data. These data can be downloaded from: https://landscan.ornl.gov/. The data are free to use, but require individual users to acquire a license to do so.

We combined these two datasets to generate estimates of the number of forest-proximate people in the world. However, because the LandScan data are licensed, we are unable to share the novel dataset that we created by combining the two datasets above.

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