

Review of: "Assessing the Forest Transition Hypothesis: Are Deforestation Dynamics Different Across Continents?"

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The work is very interesting because it addresses a topic of global interest and planetary climate. I suggest that, if possible, you mention the importance of forests for the Earth's climate balance.

Forests store carbon and retain rainwater, helping to prevent the increase in global warming. They also contribute significantly to the transfer of water from the surface to the atmosphere, helping in the distribution of rainfall, as is the example of the influence of the Amazon forest on rainfall in southeastern Brazil.

Another point is the importance of industrial centers, which guarantee employment and income and reduce pressure on the forest (deforestation), taking the Manaus free trade zone as an example.