

BUILDING AND SETTLEMENT MAP

Urban mapping and monitoring (Source: GeoVille)

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Category

Topographic information	□ Surface deformation
□ Impact assessment	Precision ortho-images
□ Change detection / continuous monitoring	Terrain information
⊠ Land cover / use	□ Water quantity & quality
□ Near surface geology	
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Building footprints	
Infrastructure mapping	

Infrastructure monitoring

Logistics planning and operations - Facility siting, infrastructure development

Challenges addressed

Development and Operations – Site Layout Design

Development and Operations – Illegal Mining

Closure and Aftercare – Mapping of Infrastructure

Geo-information needs

DO-2: Site design and layout of infrastructure

DO-18: Location of occupied dwellings/sensitive receptors (emergency planning & complaints management). Including informal settlements

DO-28: Mapping of any informal settlements

CA-4: Demonstration of infrastructure removal

Description

To set out infrastructure, to ensure efficient operation and to optimize processing steps within the mine as well as to track the development process, detailed information about site design and layout of infrastructure is needed. Remote sensing can support this need and provide information on infrastructure based on high to very high resolution as well as radar satellite imagery.

This product provides a detailed map showing infrastructure and settlement information on a defined area. Often additional data is required to reference the information based on remote sensing and characterise for example a special use of a building or the hierarchical level of roads. Physical structures – buildings, roads, railways, airports, pipelines – can be detected in form of mapping with a specific thematic focus. Also, additional in-situ data might help here to set out a basic layout of existing infrastructure. A map showing the layout and design of the site with existing structures can be an output here. Also, change detection and monitoring of the layout can be provided.

A complete inventory of building structures (building footprints) is highly important to perform comprehensive damage and vulnerability assessment. Remote sensing can provide detailed information with mapping individual buildings and deriving information on construction properties. Based on high and very high resolution satellite images and in-situ information building footprints can be derived. Additional information such as building height might also be provided using a normal Digital Surface Model (nDSM). A reference satellite data is needed to monitor the infrastructure and compare it with further satellite data over time to get information on changes. Using radar satellite data, detection of ground movement that might indicate changes and deteriorations or directly detect damages or changes is possible.

Furthermore, the progress of the removal of infrastructure can be mapped starting with the inventory of buildings and recording the step-by-step removal. Also, in case a schedule for removal is provided, a progress can be calculated.

The building footprints can also be used as input for the service "Monitoring of Infrastructure".

Known restrictions / limitations

To guarantee comparability of temporal series and changes images should be possibly from the same sensor and cover the same geographical area. How well a product represents the infrastructure is highly dependent on the quality and resolution of satellite imagery.

	Lifecycle stage and demand					
Exploration	Environmental Assessment & Permitting	Design, Construction & Operations	Mine Closure & Aftercare			

Exploration:

• Gather information on existing infrastructure

Design, Construction & Operations:

- Information to set out the infrastructure and ensure an efficient operation
- Optimize and minimize distances between infrastructure
- Track progress of the infrastructure construction

Geographic coverage

Globally available.

EARSC Thematic Domain

Sub-domain Infrastructure

Product description Monitor constructions

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Input data sources

Sampling of available products:

Satellite	Sentinel 2	Landsat 8	Worldvie w 1, 2 and 3	Pleiades	Standard resolutio n radar	High resolutio n radar
Status	In operation	In operation	In operation	In operation	In operation	In operation
Operator	ESA	NASA	Digital Globe	Airbus Defence and Space/CN ES	ESA	Commerci al providers
Data availability	Public	Public	Commer- cial,	Commerci al,	Public	Commerci al,

			on demand	on demand		on demand
Resolution (m)	10 - 60	15 - 100	0.31 - 0.46	0.5 – 2	20x4	1x1 – 3x3
Coverage	Global	Global	Global	Global	Global	Global
Frequency (days)	5	16	< 2	< 1	6	11
Launch year	2015	2013	2007 / 2009 / 2014	2011	2014	2007
Website	<u>link</u>	<u>link</u>	<u>link</u>	<u>link</u>	<u>link</u>	<u>link</u>

Minimum Mapping Unit (MMU)

Variable, depending on source data resolution. A MMU as small as 0.5 pixel size is possible using VHR.

Accuracy / constraints

Thematic accuracy:

>90% for Building Footprints; >95% for Settlement Mapping. Buildings and settlements as well as other sealed structures can be detected; to differentiate different types of buildings additional data is needed.

Spatial accuracy:

Dependent on input pixel resolution.

Accuracy assessment approach & quality control measures

N/A

Frequency / timeliness

Observation frequency:

Every one or more days, depending on satellite.

Timeliness of delivery:

Within five (working) days of sensing.

Availability

Data from all Sentinel satellites are freely available through the open data policy of the operator ESA (Sentinel-2A since 2015, Sentinel-2B since 2017).

Data from Landsat 8 (since 2013) are freely available through the open data policy of the operator USGS.

WorldView and Pleiades data are commercially licenses and must be purchased through the operator/vendor Digital Globe (WorldView) or Airbus Defence and Space (Pleiades). Usually available within hour(s) of satellite fly-over.

Depending on operator, radar data is available freely or must be purchased through the operator/vendor.

Delivery / output format

Data type: Vector formats, Raster formats

File format: Geotiff, Shapefile





(Source: GeoVille)

Building Footprints

This image shows footprints of the buildings in a defined area. With additional data, these footprints may be combined with other attributes such as building heights or building type. Comparing footprints over time, an analysis of changes is possible. Also, this data may work as an input for other products and services: combined with a Land Use / Land Cover product it may help get a better understanding of the area and surroundings where mining takes place as well as an input for the design and structure of a mine before mining commences.