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**Eyes on Earth Episode 126 – Annual NLCD**

**Summary**: In this episode of Eyes on Earth, we talk about the latest release of the National Land Cover Database (NLCD). More than just a map, NLCD is a stack of maps—a database. It has long been the foundational land cover source for scientists, resource managers, and decision-makers across the United States, and now the next generation of USGS land cover mapping is here. This new release includes land cover data of the United States for every year back to 1985, so it is now called Annual NLCD.

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**More about Annual NLCD**

* [Annual National Land Cover Database](http://www.usgs.gov/annualnlcd)
* [NLCD’s Path from Early Landscape Snapshot to Decades of Change](https://www.usgs.gov/centers/eros/news/nlcds-path-early-landscape-snapshot-decades-change)
* [Land Use Land Cover Modeling](https://www.usgs.gov/special-topics/land-use-land-cover-modeling)

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**Homepage descriptor**: This episode of our remote sensing podcast discusses the new version of the National Land Cover Database, called Annual NLCD.

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