





URBAN GROWTH: Cancún, Mexico

More than half the human population now lives in cities. As that percentage has grown, so has the footprint of the built environment. Landsat satellites record how urban growth changes the landscape in places such as Cancún, Mexico, a renowned tourist destination. Landsat has helped us understand how urban growth is linked to increased city temperatures as well as local shifts in rainfall and water drainage patterns, and how incorporating green space can improve healthy city design. *Credit: NASA Earth Observatory*

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