

URBAN TREE INVENTORIES IN ROMANIA

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While there isn't a centralized national inventory of urban green spaces in Romania, there are indications that efforts are underway at the local level and through research projects. Although not too many, in the last decade local initiatives have been launched. Some Romanian cities have taken the initiative to create their own urban green space inventories. For example, the city of Oradea has a program called "Oradea Green City" that aims to increase green space. Meanwhile, some research projects have been conducted to assess the state of urban green spaces in Romanian cities. A study on green spaces in Braşov used satellite imagery to analyse land cover changes and the growth of green areas between 2017 and 2021. Our study aims to map the actual situation of the urban green inventories in Romania. The challenges we encountered are related, on the one hand to the lack of centralized data. The absence of a national inventory makes it difficult to get a comprehensive picture of the state of urban green spaces across the country. On the other hand, even with local inventories, there might not be a standardized approach to data collection and classification, making comparisons challenging. The study is based mainly on secondary sources, data obtained from local administrations, NGO-s and private discussions. Overall, while there's no single national inventory of urban green space in Romania, local initiatives and research studies offer valuable insights.