



# THE IMPORTANCE OF SÃO PAULO CITRICULTURE AND CHALLENGES

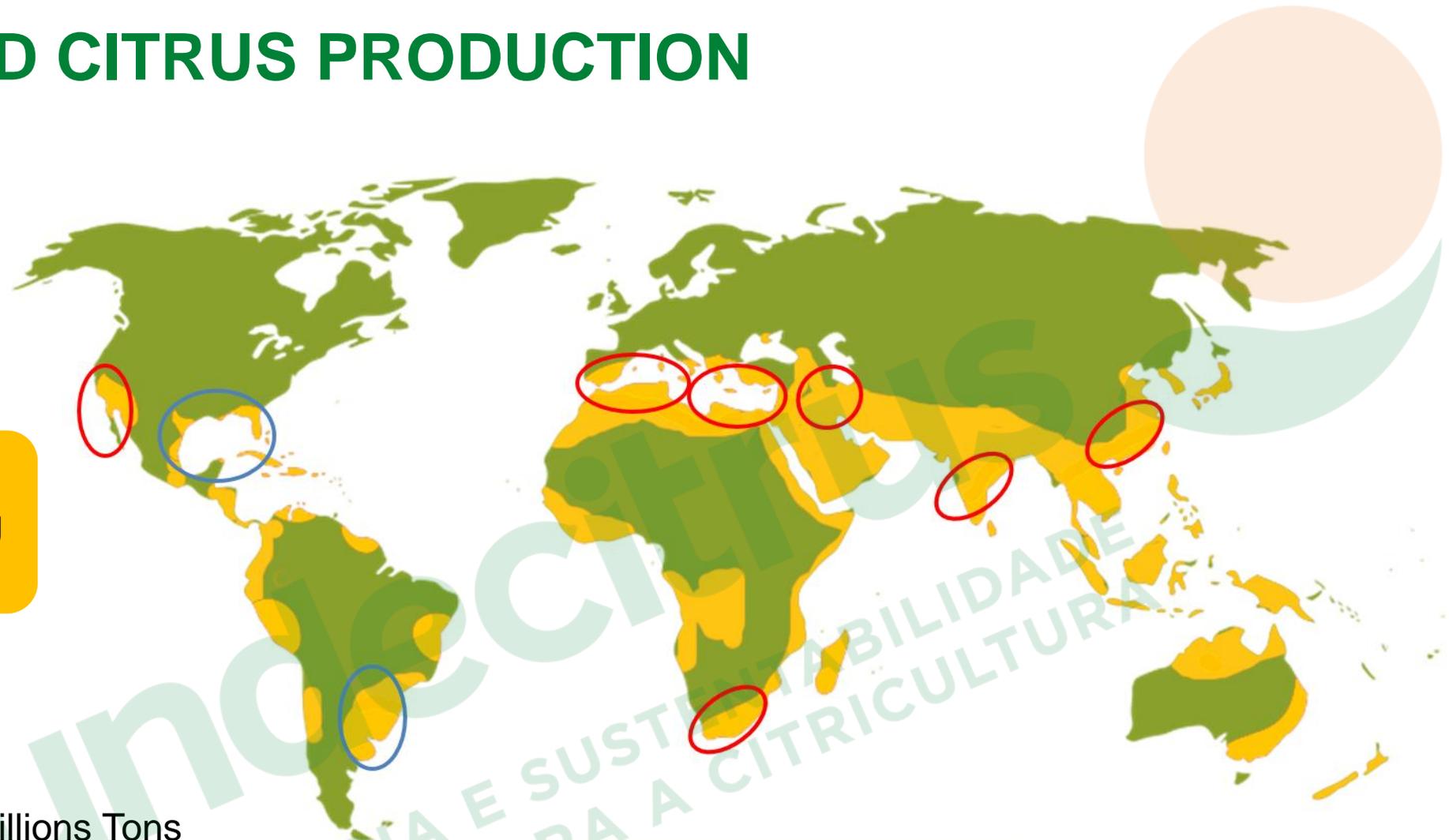
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# ▶ WORLD CITRUS PRODUCTION

There are 140 citrus producing countries

2017/2018  
**Orange:** 47,754 millions Tons  
**Grapefruit:** 6,630 millions Tons  
**Tangerine:** 30,0188 millions Tons  
**Lemons and limes:** 7,686 millions Tons  
**Total:** 92,088 millions Tons

60% of the world's total citrus production is grown in China, Brazil and US



Source USDA

# 2017/18 JUICE YIELD IN THE MAIN REGIONS

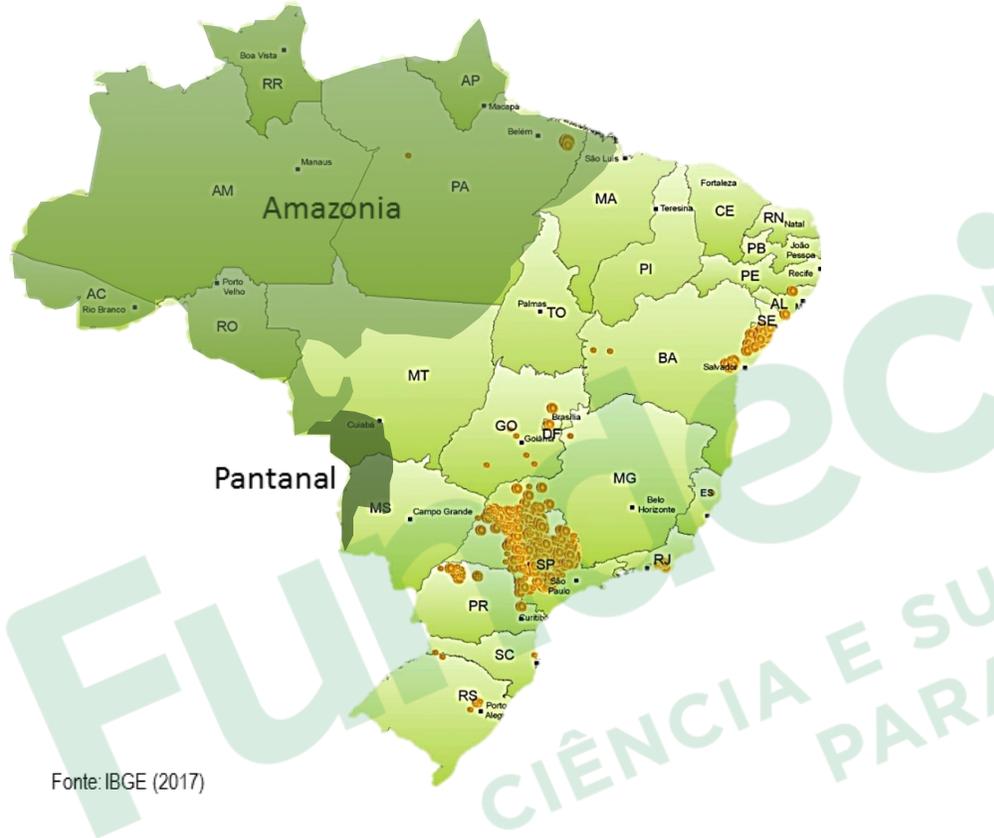
ORANGE GROWING REGIONS	TOTAL BEARING AREA	TOTAL ORANGE PRODUCTION		FARMING YIELD	JUICE YIELD ON FRUIT	JUICE YIELD PER HECTARE	
	Thousand Hectares (Above 3 Years Old)	Million Metric Tons	Million Boxes 40.8 kg	40.8 Kg Boxes Per Hectare	40.8 kg Boxes Per Metric Tons of FCOJ 66° Brix Equiv.	Metric Tons of FCOJ 66° Brix Equiv.	Liters Of Ready-To-Drink Orange Juice
São Paulo & M.Gerais Citrus Belt	385.5	16.3	398.4	1,033	282	3.67	19,622
South Africa	n.a.	1.5	36.0	900	330	2.73	14,597
Califórnia	62.7	2.0	48.3	770	350	2.20	11,775
European Union	n.a.	6.4	157.4	735	335	2.19	11,743
Florida (2016/17 Pre-Irma)	148,7	2,8	68,9	463	247	1,87	10.031
Argentina	n.a.	0.5	11.0	600	285	2.11	11,268
Australia	n.a.	0.5	11.8	750	360	2.08	11,151
Egypt	n.a.	3.2	77.9	600	330	1.82	9,732
Morocco	n.a.	1.0	25.1	600	330	1.82	9,732
All Other States of Brazil	192.6	4.3	105.0	545	315	1.73	9,263
Turkey	n.a.	1.9	46.7	650	380	1.71	9,155
Texas	3.0	0.1	1.4	457	300	1.52	8,162
Costa Rica	n.a.	0.3	8.0	400	285	1.40	7,512
Florida (2017/18 Post-Irma)	146,4	1,8	45,0	307	271	1,13	6.053
Mexico	n.a.	4.6	112.7	350	285	1.23	6,573
China	n.a.	7.3	178.9	250	300	0.83	4,460

n.a. = not available.

Source: Based on data from Fundecitrus, IBGE, CitrusBR, USDA and FCPA.

# ▶ THE BRAZILIAN AND SÃO PAULO STATE CITRICULTURE

The main orange juice producer in the world



Fonte: IBGE (2017)



# ▶ SÃO PAULO COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

- Favorable soil and climate
- Adequate infrastructure (highway and port)
- Know-how of growers and industry
- Strong research network



# ▶ DIRECT JOBS IN SAO PAULO STATE

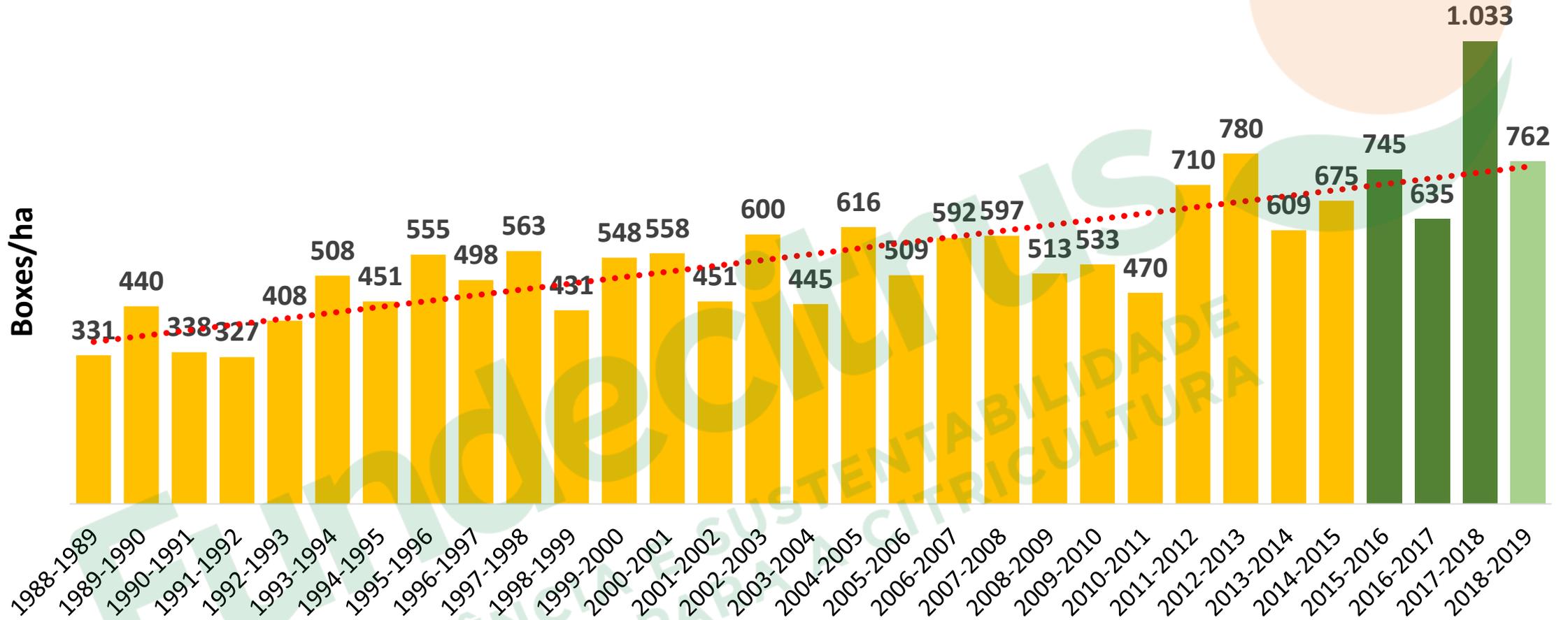
Citrus: 465,635 hectares  
9,845 farms in Sao Paulo  
**200,000 jobs (direct and indirect)**

**1 direct employee per 10  
hectares**





# PRODUCTIVITY



Source: CitrusBR e IBGE (1988-1989 a 2014-2015) Fundecitrus (2015, 2016, 2017) Forecast Fundecitrus (2018)

# WHY HAS THE PRODUCTIVITY INCREASED?

- Health young trees
- Varieties and rootstocks
- New planting systems
- Irrigation and Nutrition
- Higher planting density
- Disease management







# FUNDECITRUS



Intelligence center, worldwide benchmark for science and sustainability in citriculture.

Maintained by citrus growers and orange juice companies (Budget: US\$ 9 million/year)

Pursuing effective and sustainable solutions to challenges in citrus plant health for 41 years.



# AREAS OF WORK



RESEARCH AND  
INNOVATION



TRAINING OF  
PROFESSIONALS



TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER



CROP FORECAST  
SURVEY

A photograph of an orange orchard with many ripe oranges hanging from the trees. The text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

► FUNDECITRUS  
CONTRIBUTION TO THE  
CITRICULTURE  
COMPETITIVENESS



# HEALTHY YOUNG TREES – PROTECTED NURSERIES



**Past – Before 2002**



**200 millions of young trees  
produced since 2003**

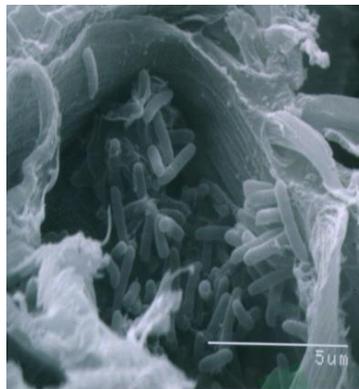
# CITRUS VARIEGATED CHLOROSIS

**Causal agent:** *Xylella fastidiosa*

**Vector:** sharpshooters

**Damages:**

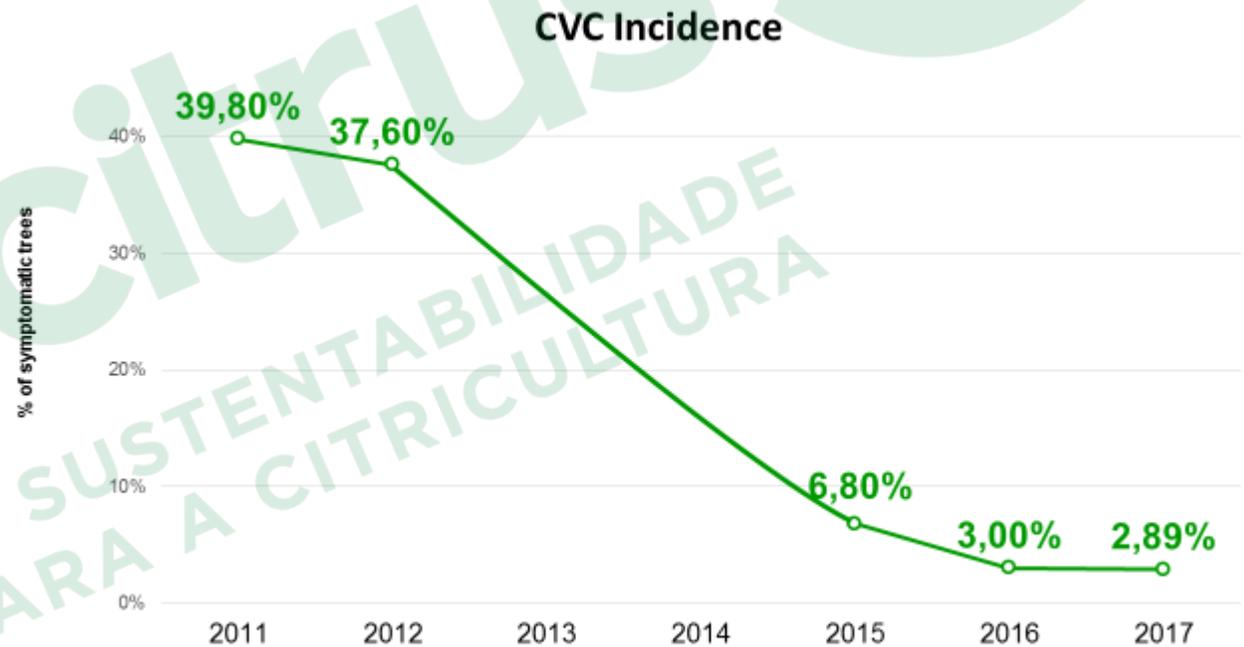
- Defoliation
- Fruit depreciation for fresh market
- Yield reduction
- Poor fruit quality
  - Smaller fruit
  - Higher Brix and acidity
  - Less TSS and Ratio
  - Less intense juice color



# CITRUS VARIEGATED CHLOROSIS

- ▶ SEQUENCING OF *XYLELLA FASTIDIOSA* GENOME
- ▶ CVC MANAGEMENT

- Healthy young trees
- Inspection and eradication of affected trees
- Vector control



Source: Fundecitrus.

Healthy grove: 97,1% without CVC

# ▶ ROOTSTOCKS TOLERANT TO CITRUS SUDDEN DEATH



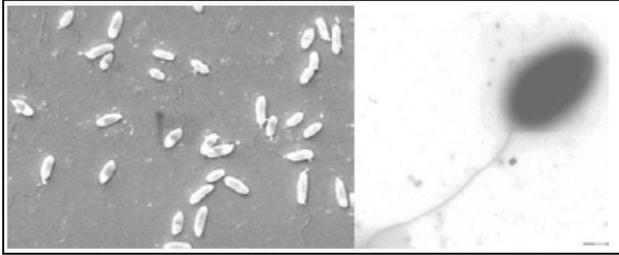
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Valencia/Rangpur lime

Valencia/Cleopatra

# CITRUS CANKER

Causal agent: *Xanthomonas citri* pv. *citri*



## Damages:

- Defoliation
- Fruit depreciation for fresh market
- Premature fruit drop



# ▶ CITRUS CANKER MITIGATION



- Grove inspections
- Leaf miner biocontrol

- Windbreak
- Tolerant varieties
- Copper spray

- Material disinfection

# ▶ FRUIT BORER PHEROMONE

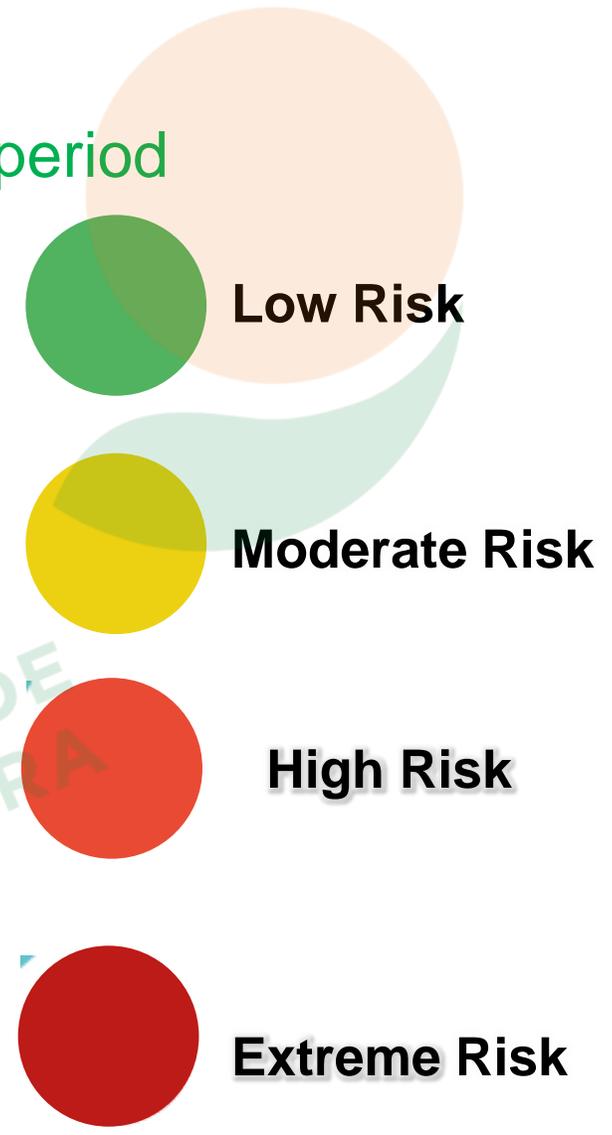
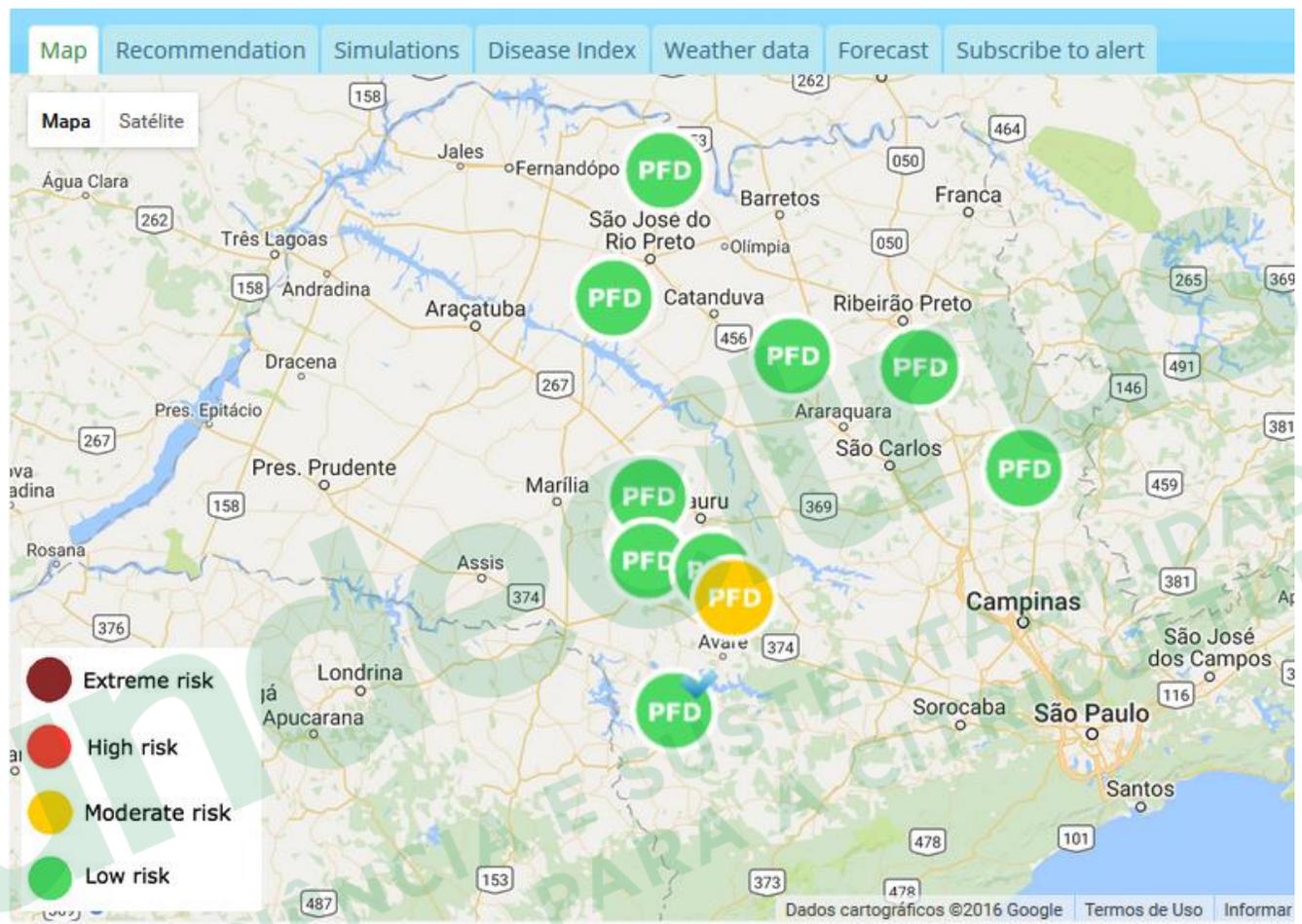


- Losses avoided in 10 years - US\$ 1.2 billion dollars
- 50% less insecticides
- Natural enemy preservation

Bento et al. 2016

# ▶ POSTBLOOM FORECAST SYSTEM

▶ Depend on the climate condition during the blossom period



- Access - [www.fundecitrus.com.br/tecnologiasfundecitrus](http://www.fundecitrus.com.br/tecnologiasfundecitrus)

# ► SPRAY VOLUME ADEQUACY

## SAVINGS

- 30 – 70% water saving
- Up to 50% pesticide saving
- Less environmental impact
- Increasing operational time



## FUNDECITRUS INTEGRATED SPRAYING SYSTEM

- Versions - desktop, website and mobile
- Access - [spif.fundecitrus.com.br](http://spif.fundecitrus.com.br)
- > 1,000 users



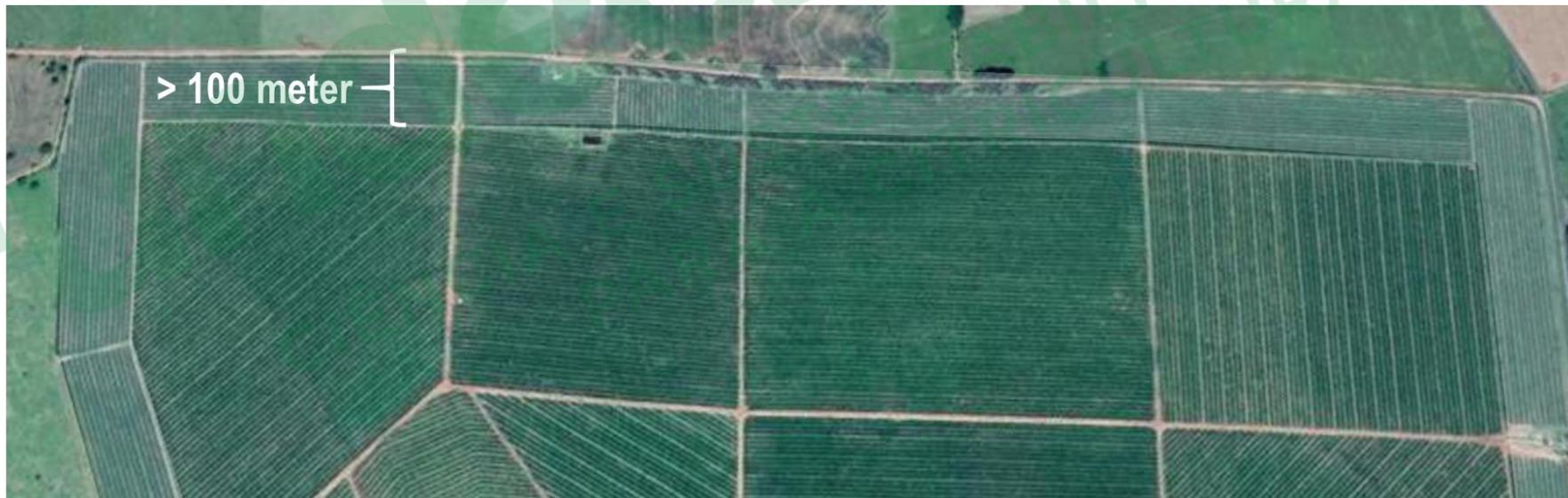
# ► Comparative of insecticides used in São Paulo and Florida for *D. citri* control

1) Rates (ml or g a.i. / L): **66% lower in SP**  
(17 – 87%)

2) Volume application: **48% lower in SP**  
Grove of 6 y-old: FL = 950 L/ha – SP = 500L/ha

Reduction: **65% a.i. / ha /season**

3) More frequent spray just on the edges blocks



# ▶ FUNDECITRUS CONTRIBUTION TO HLB CONTROL

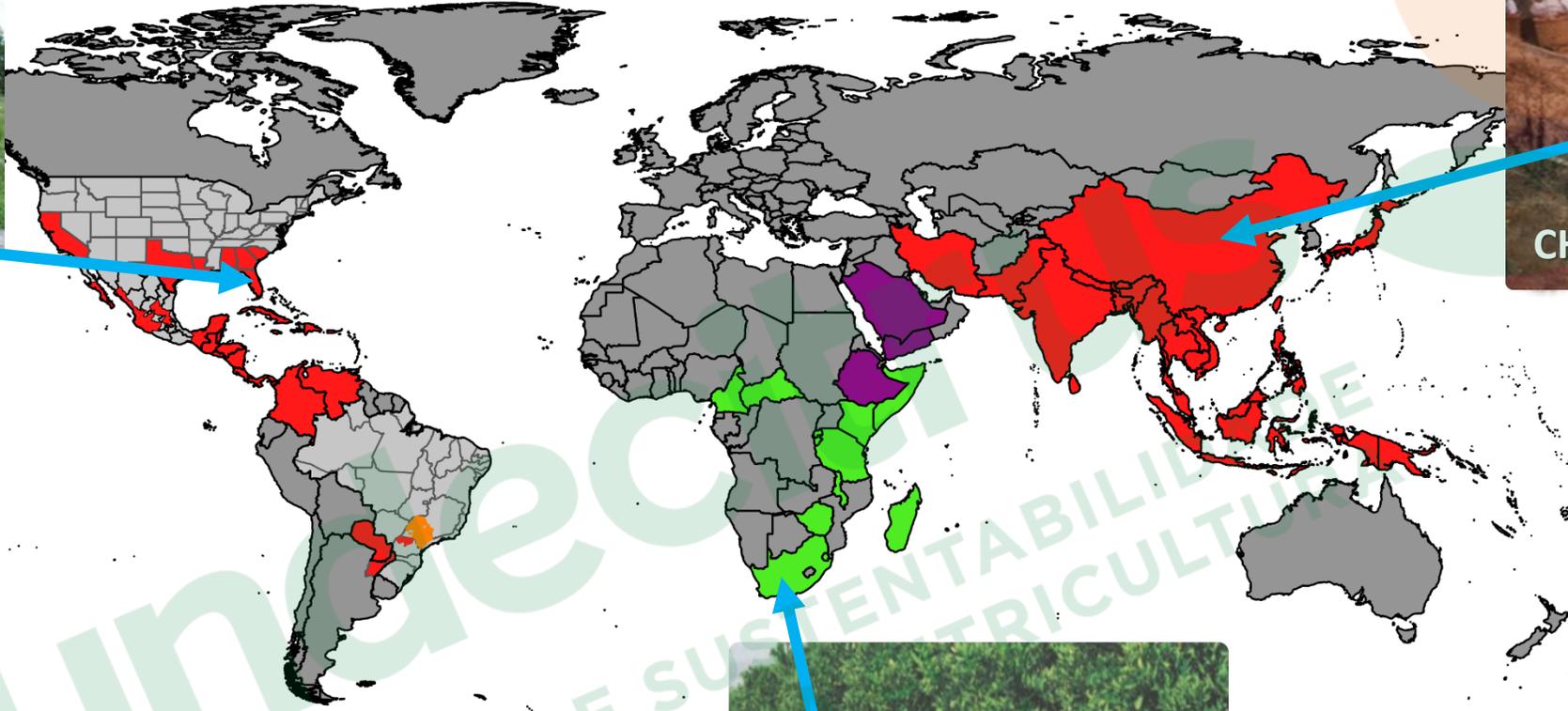




# GREENING IN THE WORLD



FLORIDA



CHINA



SOUTH AFRICA

-  *Candidatus Liberibacter asiaticus*
-  *Candidatus Liberibacter africanus*
-  *Candidatus Liberibacter americanus x asiaticus*
-  *Candidatus Liberibacter africanus x asiaticus*



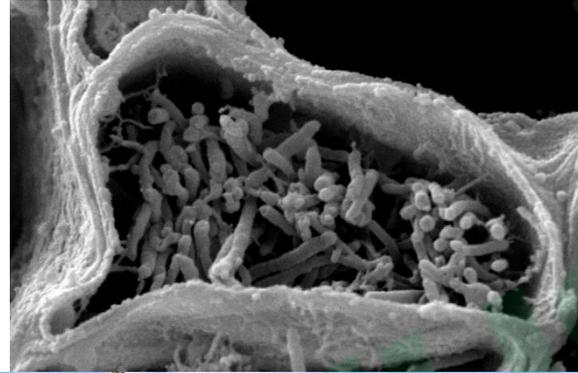
# GREENING CHALLENGE

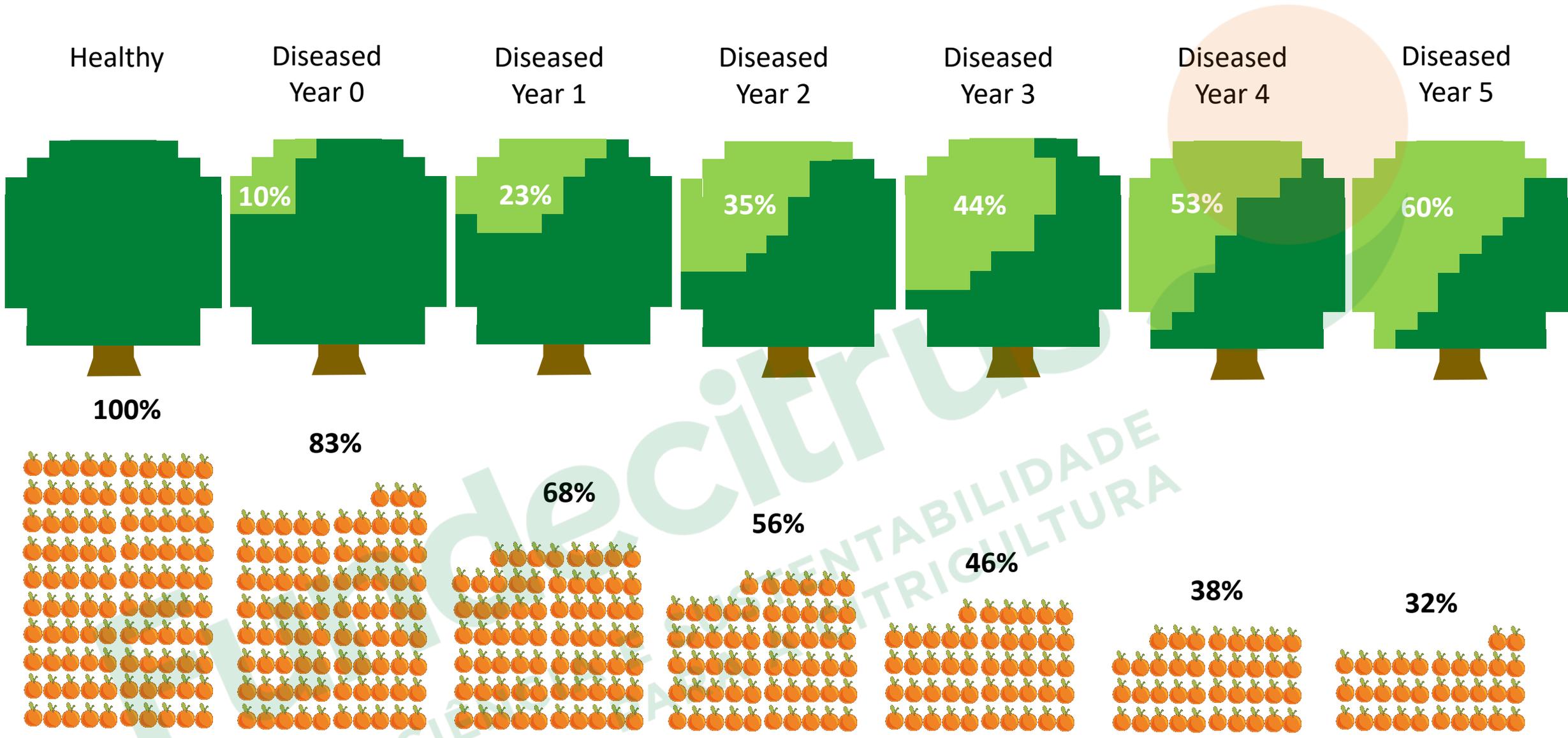
**Causal agent:** *Candidatus Liberibacter asiaticus*

**Vector:** *Diaphorina citri*

**Damages:**

- Defoliation
- Tree decline
- Yield reduction
- Premature fruit drop
- Poor fruit quality
  - Smaller fruit
  - Less TSS, Brix and ratio
  - Higher acidity and bitterness
  - Less intense juice color





100%

83%

68%

56%

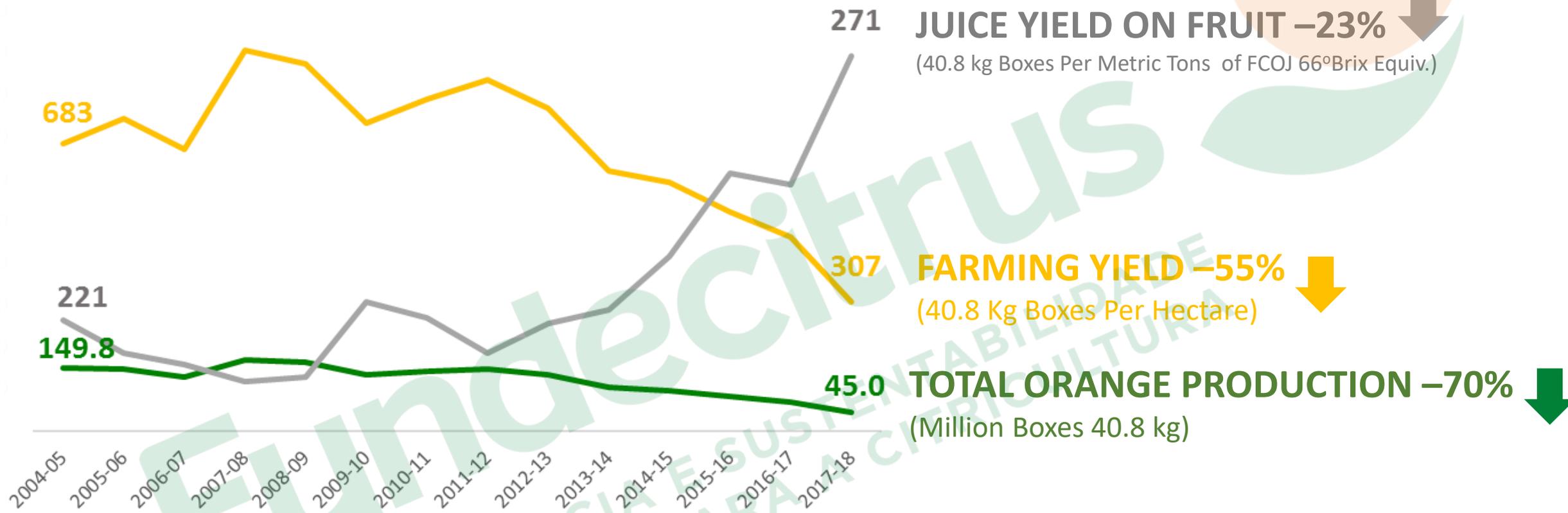
46%

38%

32%

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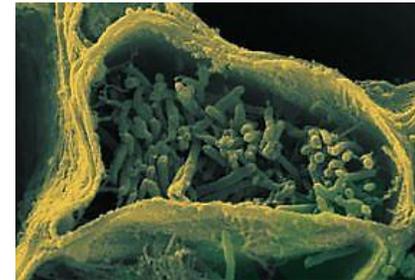
# ▶ IMPACT OF GREENING IN FLORIDA



Source: USDA

# GREENING IN SÃO PAULO STATE

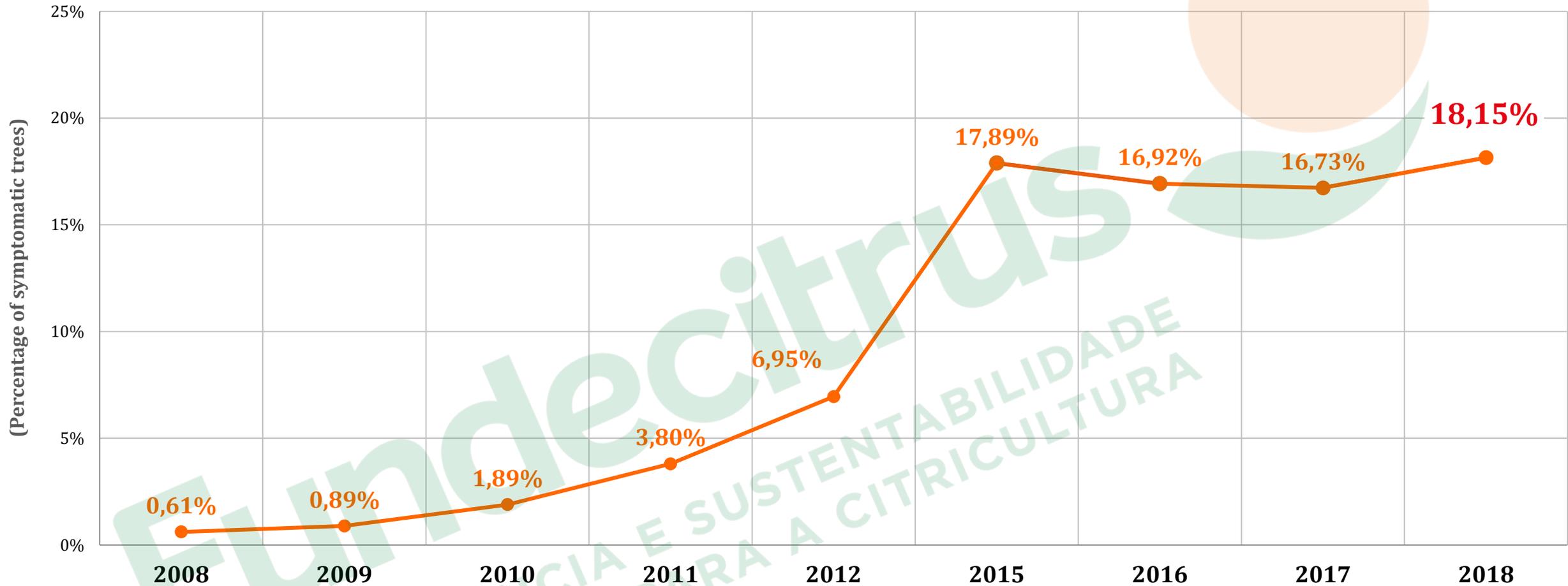
## Detection in 2004



- ▨ NORTH: Triângulo Mineiro (TMG); Bebedouro (BEB), Altrópolis (ALT)
- ▨ NORTHWEST: Votuporanga (VOT); São José do Rio Preto (SJO)
- ▨ CENTRAL: Duartina (DJA); Matão (MAT); Brotas (BRO)
- ▨ SOUTH: Porto Ferreira (PFE); Limeira (LIM)
- ▨ SOUTHWEST: Avaré (AVA); Itapetininga (ITG)



# GREENING PROGRESS IN SPS AND TRIÂNGULO MINEIRO





# CRUCIAL FACTORS THAT SUPPORT THE CONTROL OF GREENING

Healthy young trees

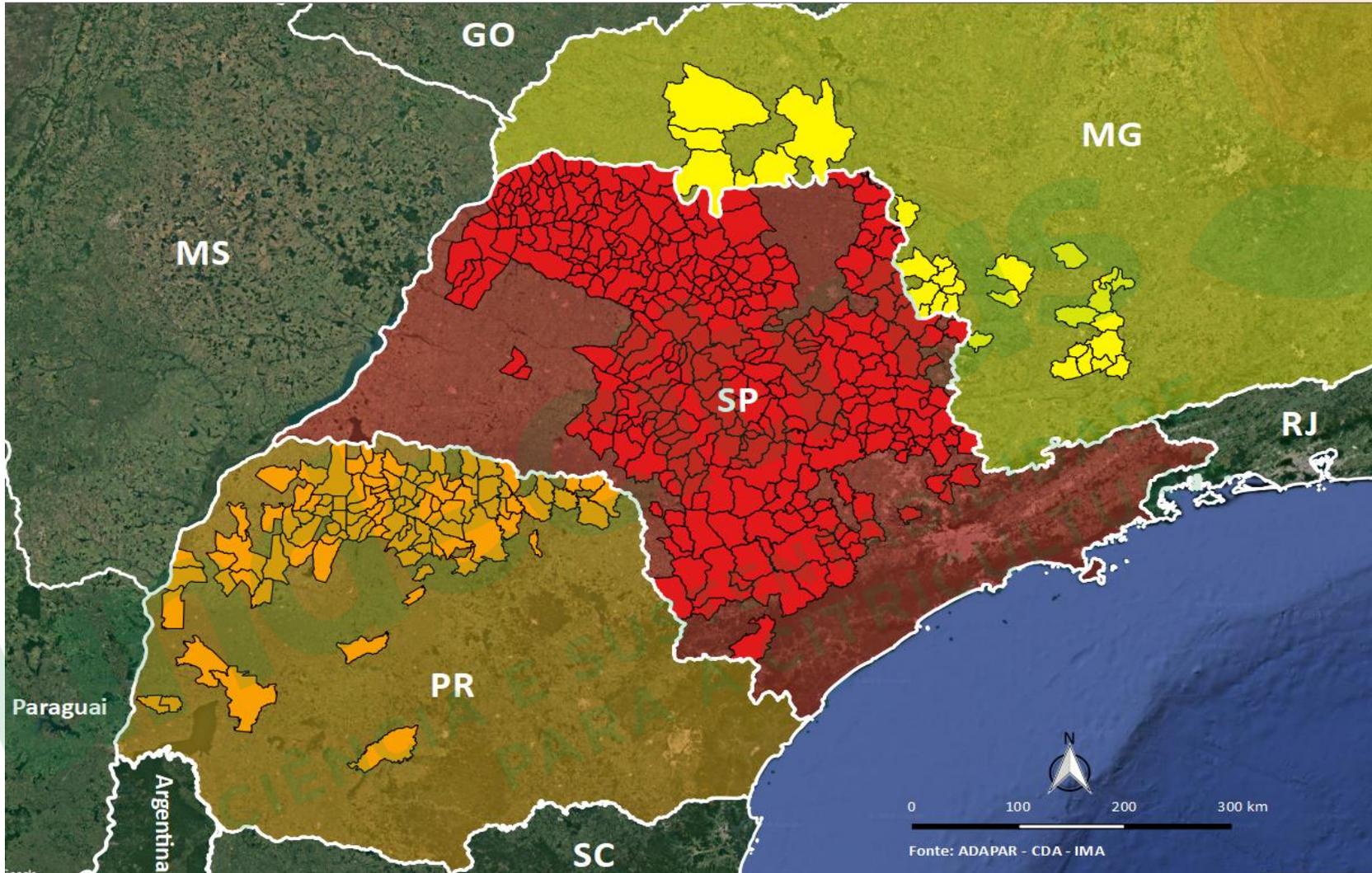
Historical success in the control of Canker and CVC

Fundecitrus leadership with growers and government

Research institution network



# BRASIL GREENING DISTRIBUTION

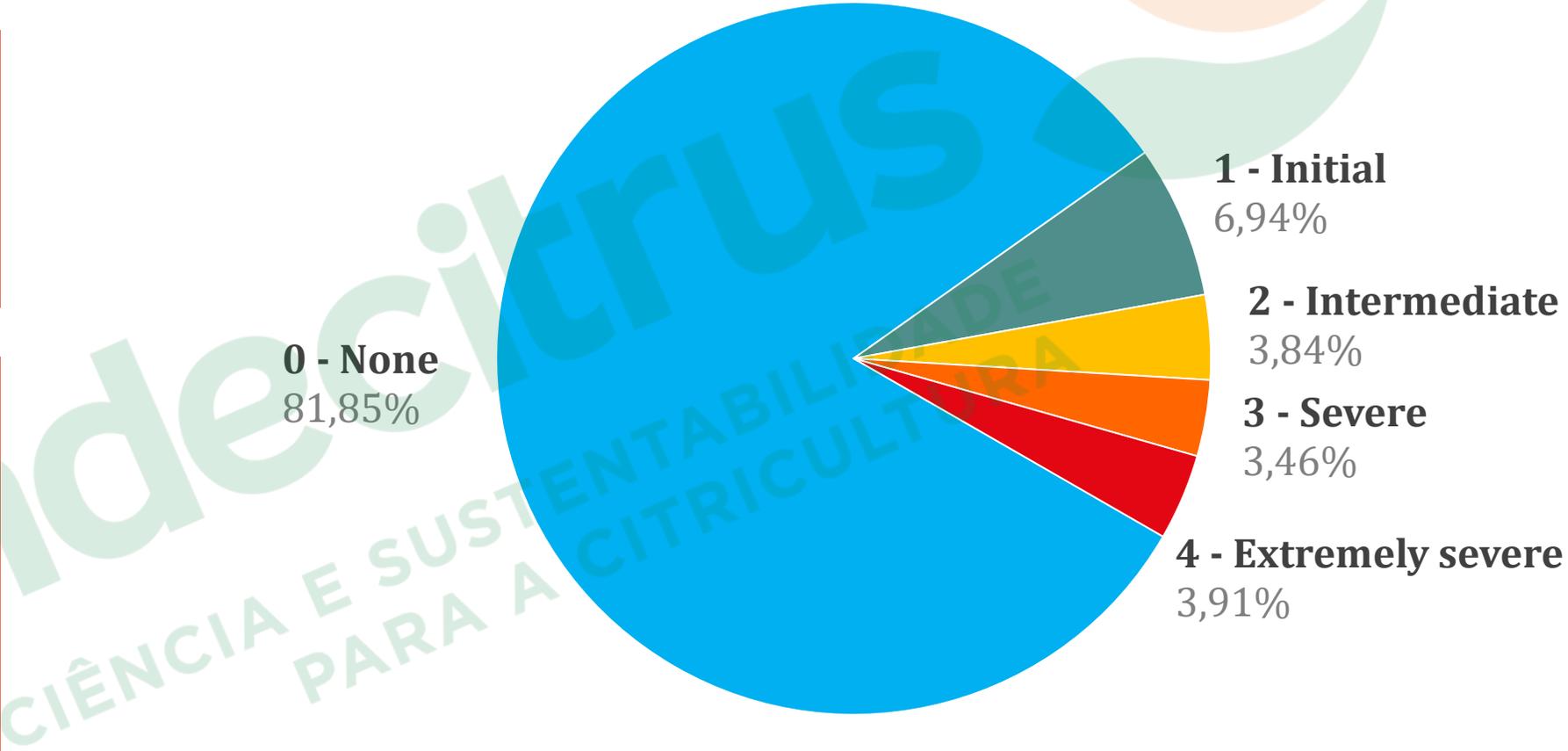




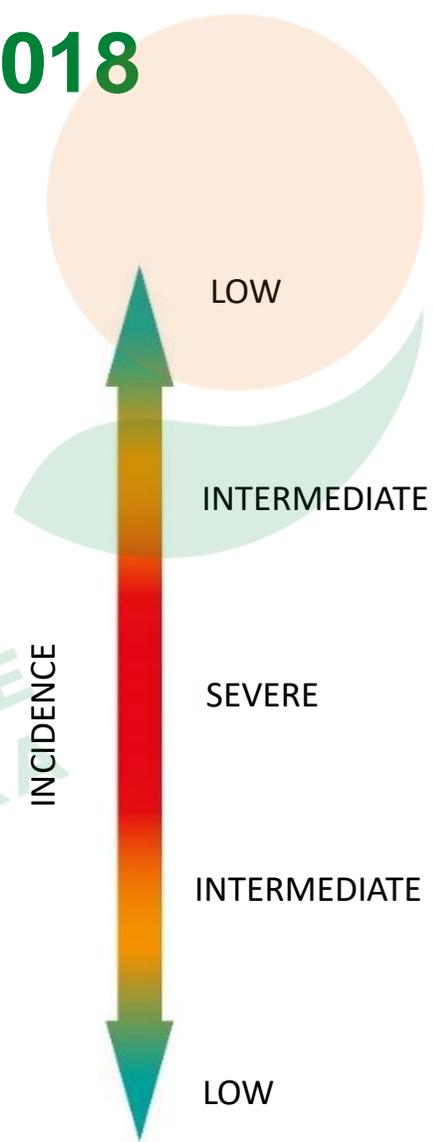
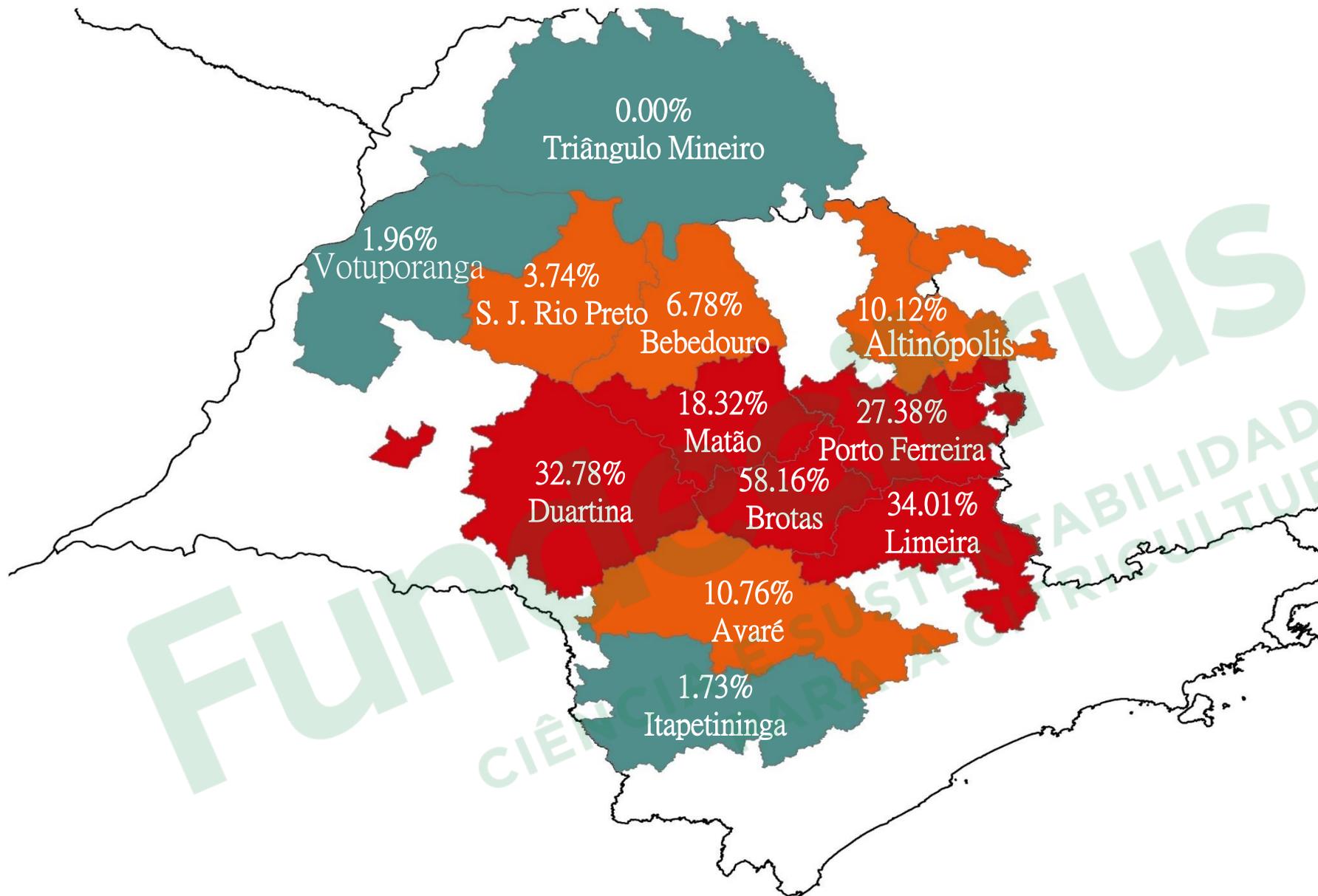
# GREENING INCIDENCE BY LEVEL OF SYMPTOM SEVERITY ON THE CANOPY - 2018

Disease trees  
**18.15%**

Fruit Drop in 2017:  
**19,5** millions of orange boxes  
(4,06% total)



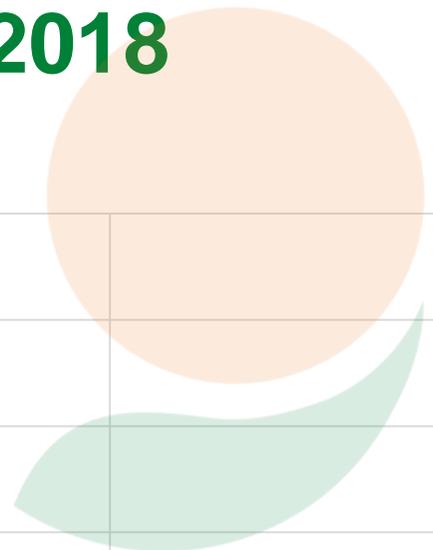
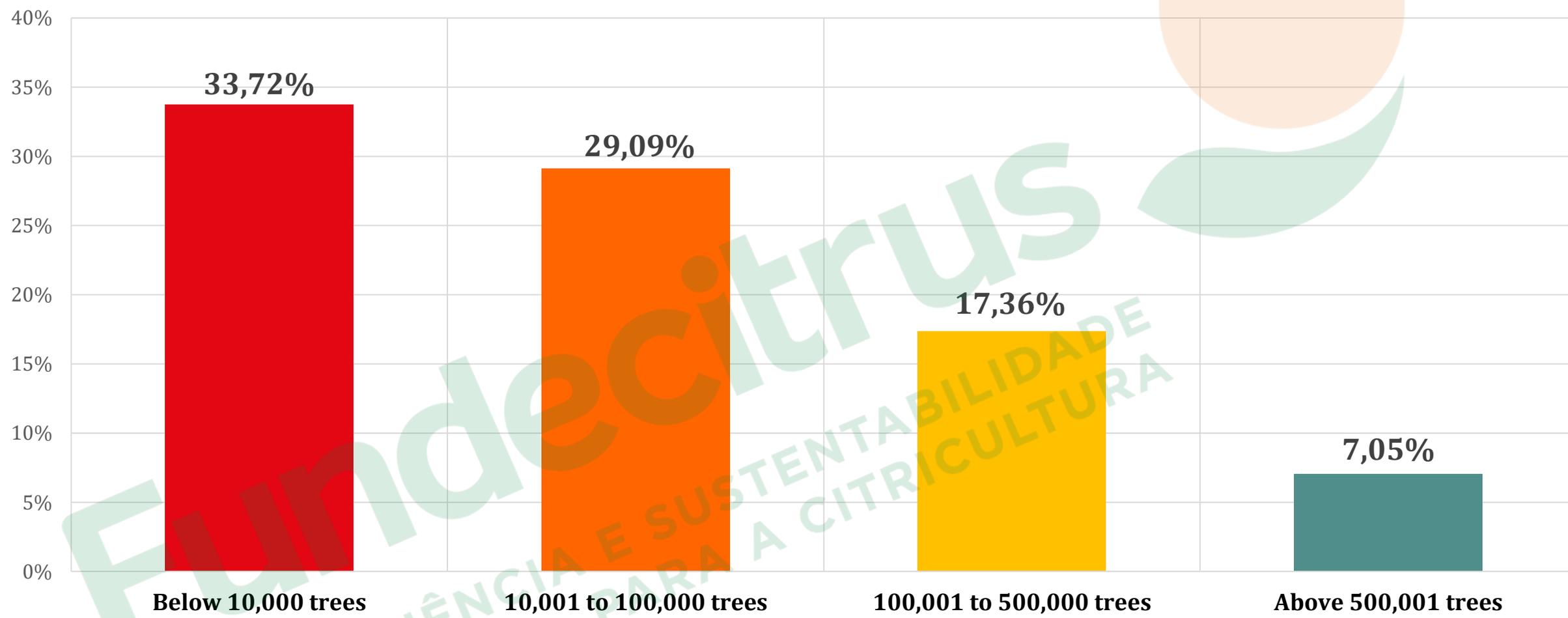
# GREENING INCIDENCE BY REGION IN 2018





# GREENING INCIDENCE BY FARM SIZE - 2018

(Percentage of symptomatic trees)

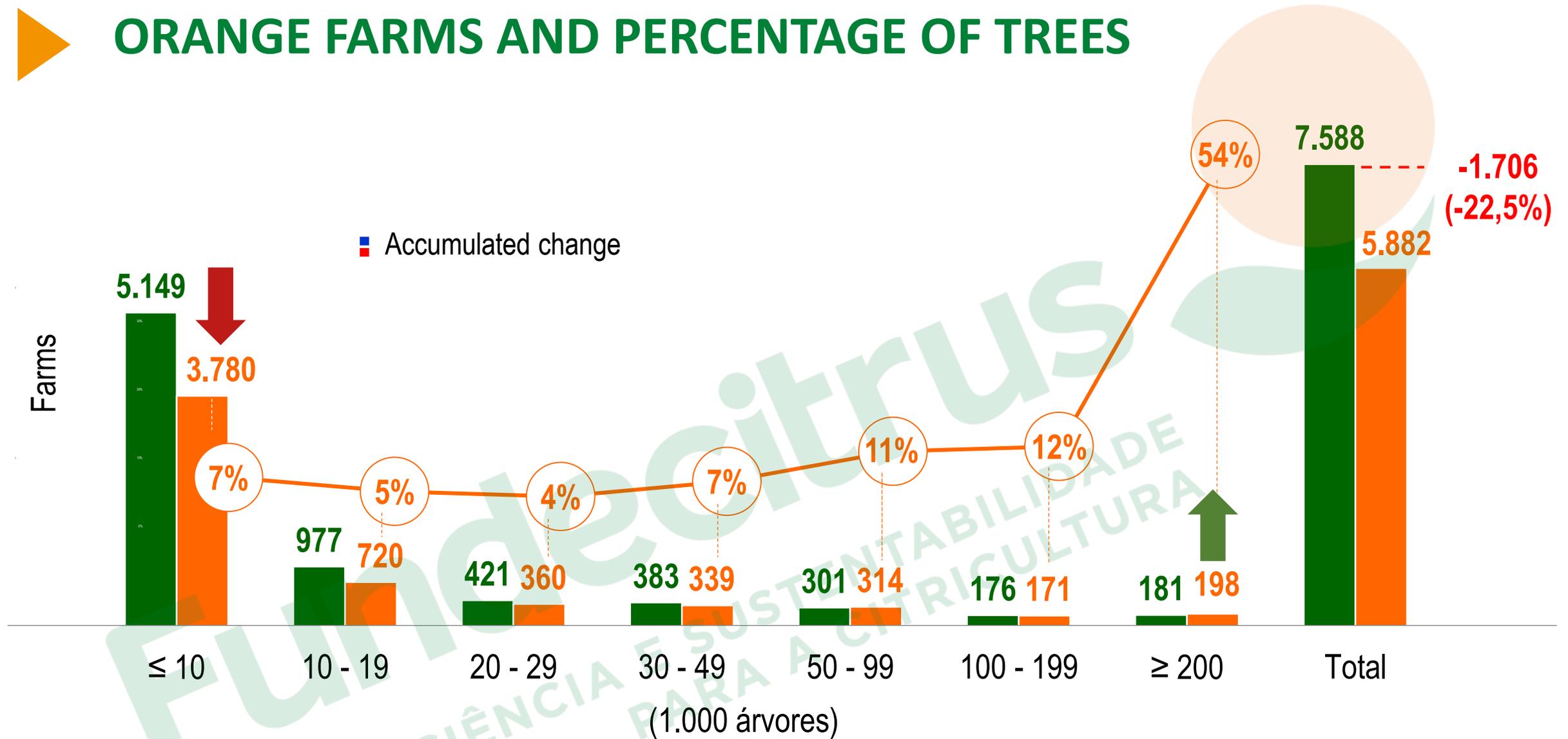


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# ▶ EDGE EFFECT OF GREENING



# ORANGE FARMS AND PERCENTAGE OF TREES



■ 2015 Inventory

■ 2018 Inventory

○ Percentage of trees in the citrus belt in 2018

# ▶ SUCCESS IN GREENING CONTROL

**GREENING  
MANAGEMENT**

**10**  
COMMANDMENTS  
TO THE SUCCESS  
IN DISEASE  
CONTROL

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**#UNITEDAGAINSTGREENING**

**10**  
COMMANDMENTS  
TO CONTROL  
GREENING  
DISEASE

- 1 - NEW PLANTINGS SYSTEM
- 2 - HEALTHY YOUNG TREES
- 3 - NUTRITION
- 4 - INSPECT THE ORCHARDS
- 5 - ELIMINATE THE SYMPTOMATIC TREES
- 6 - MONITORING OF PSYLLID
- 7 - CONTROL THE VECTOR
- 8 - GIVE ATTENTION TO THE BORDER
- 9 - NEIGHBOR IS A PARTNER
- 10 - REGIONAL MANAGEMENT

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# GREENING CONTROL INSIDE THE FARM

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### PSILLID CONTROL



As aplicações de inseticidas devem ser feitas para prevenir a infecção de novas plantas e a disseminação do greening no pomar. É necessário escolher produtos que façam parte da Lista PIC (Produção Integrada de Citros), que contém os defensivos em conformidade com a legislação internacional. Além disso, deve-se avaliar o histórico de pulverizações e realizar a rotação de grupos químicos com diferentes modos de ação. Para informações sobre a eficácia e produtos que podem ser utilizados na citricultura, consulte o **Guia de Controle Químico do Fundecitrus** e a **Lista PIC**, disponíveis no site do Fundecitrus ([www.fundecitrus.com.br](http://www.fundecitrus.com.br)). O citricultor deve respeitar o período de carência dos produtos.



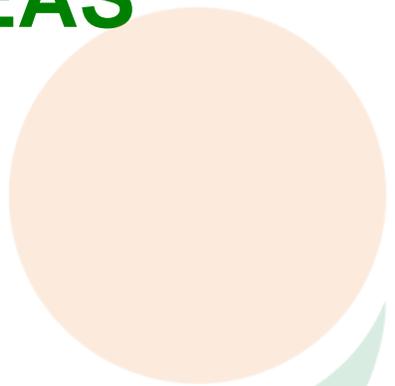
**A NEW CONCEPT FOR THE PLANTINGS –  
MORE EFFICIENCY AND SUSTAINABILITY**

▶ **LOOKING OUTSIDE**

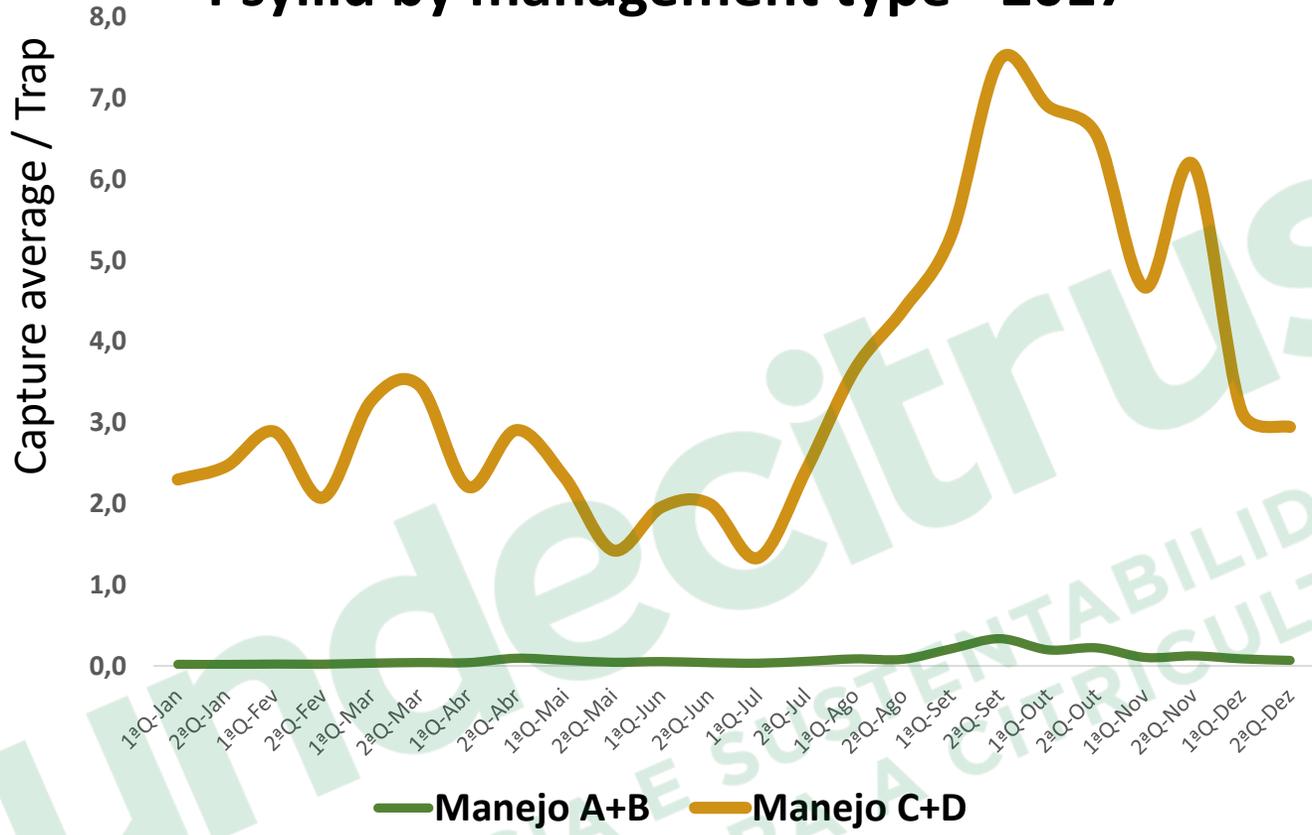




# TRAPPED PSYLLIDS IN MONITORED AREAS



### Psyllid by management type - 2017

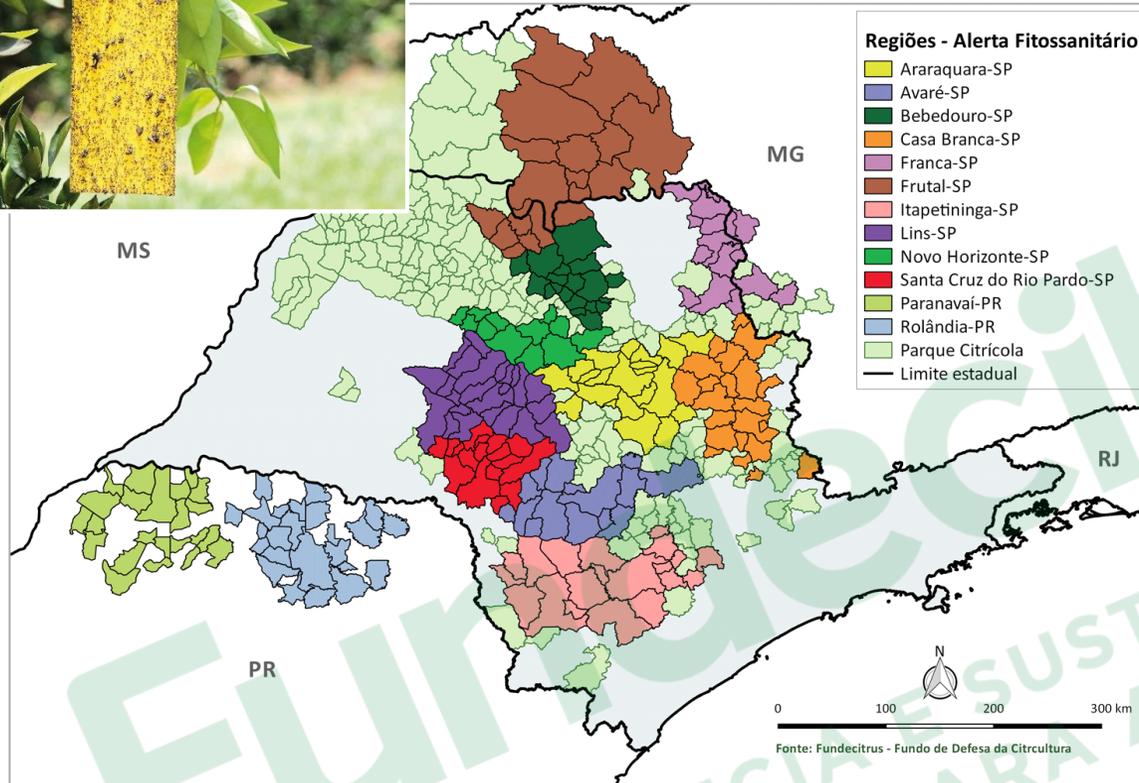


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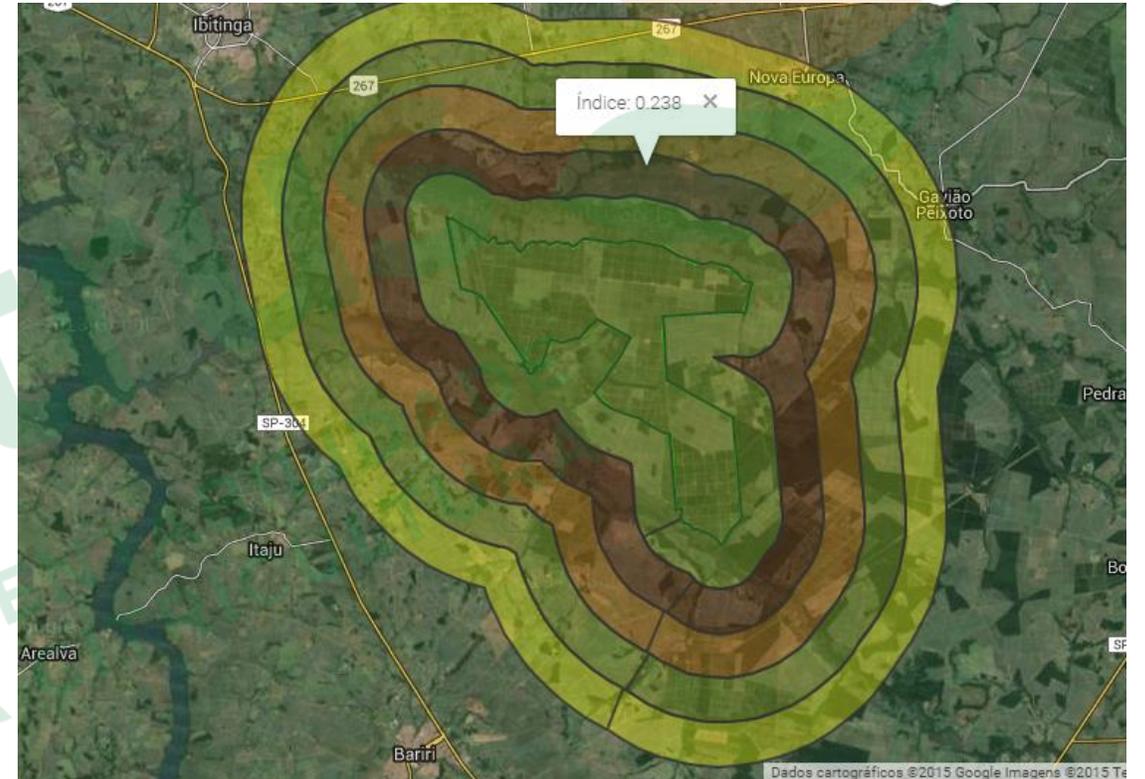
- A - Psyllid control and trees eradication
- B - Good psyllid control
- C - Commercial with no management
- D - Backyard with no management



# PSYLLID ALERT SYSTEM AND REGIONAL MANAGEMENT

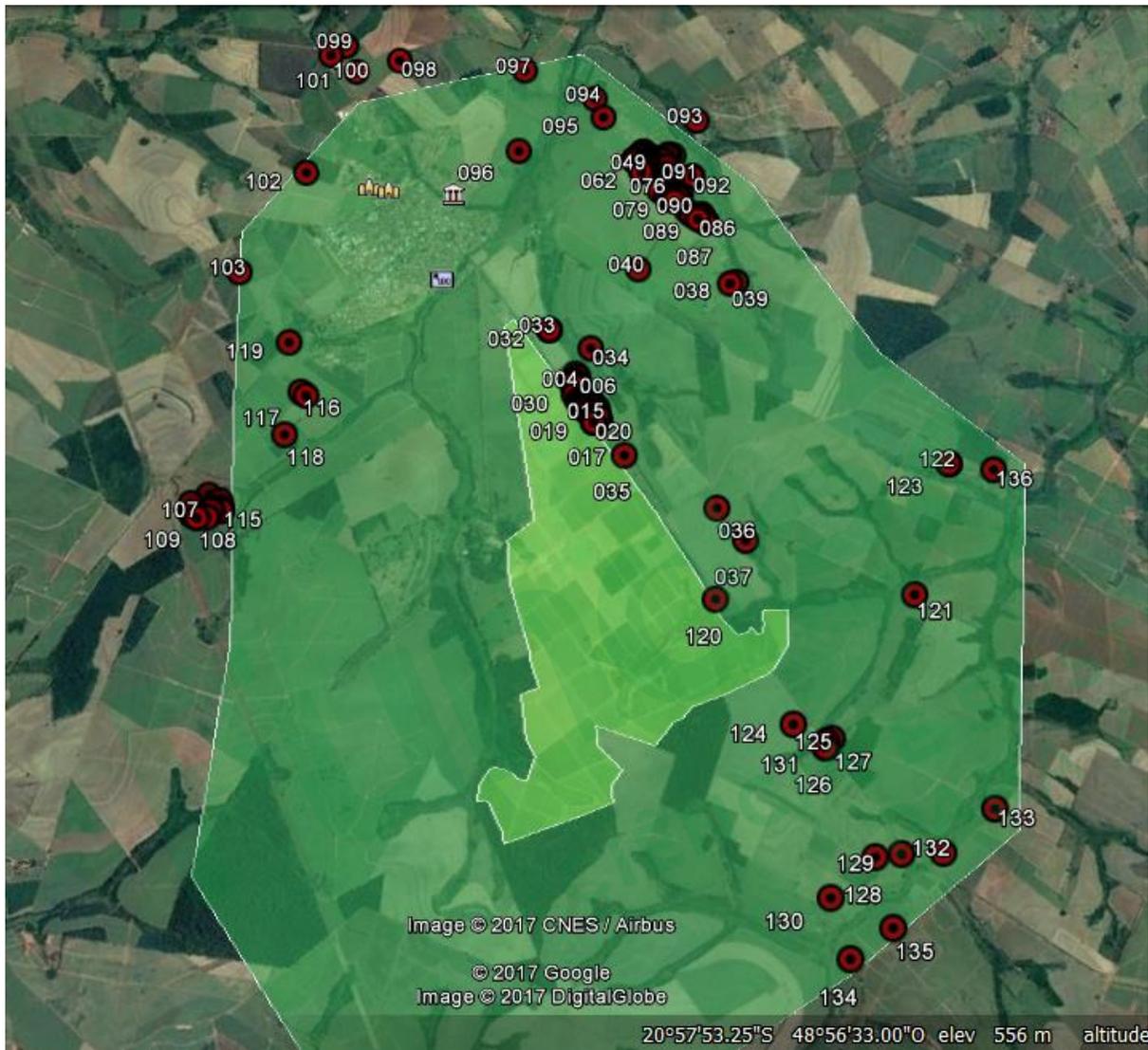


85% surveyed area



25,000 yellow traps monitored each 14 days

# EXTERNAL CONTROL



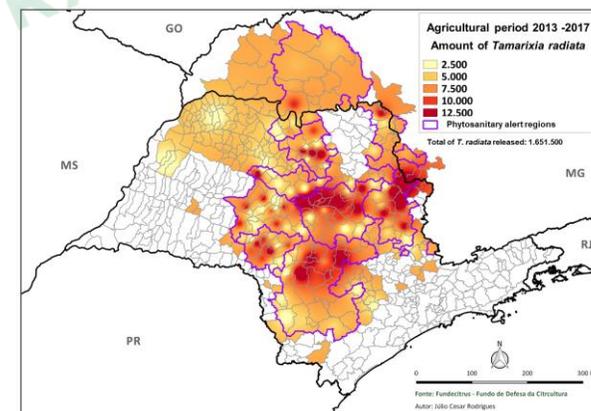


# PSYLLID BIOCONTROL

*Tamarixia radiata*



100 thousand parasitoids released every month in non commercial groves



# NEW ALTERNATIVES FOR SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF GREENING

## Bioinsecticide (*Isaria fumosorosea*)

### BENEFITS

- Psyllid control
- No residue on fruit
- No interval of carency
- Preserve natural enemies and polinization agents
- Compatibility with other products





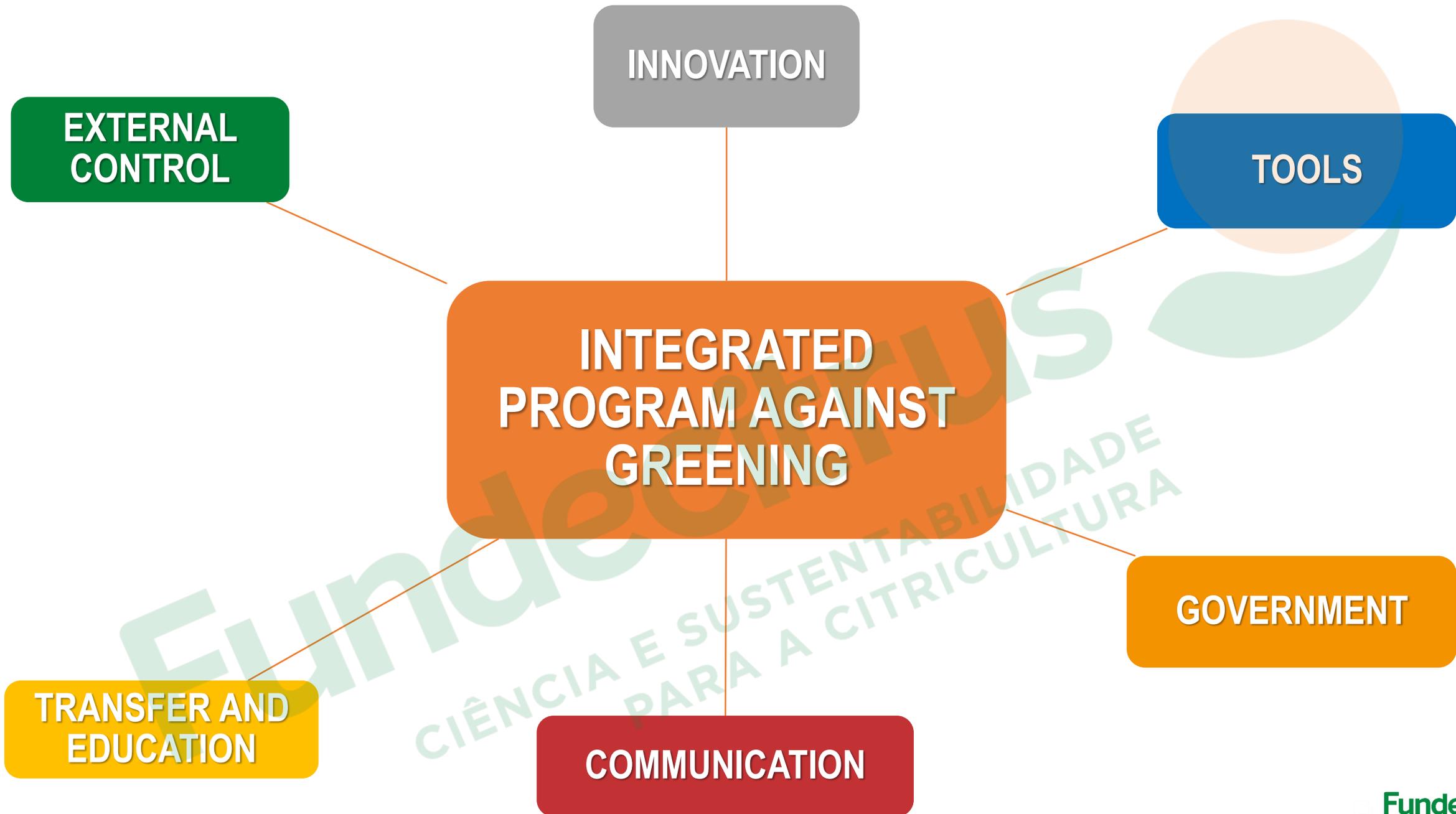
# NEW ALTERNATIVES FOR SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF GREENING



## BENEFITS

- Psyllid repellency





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against  
GREENING

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