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TITLE: What Statistics says about how the peoples in rural areas in the middle of Amazonia's heart live (Pará and Amazonas States)

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DESCRIPTION:

The Amazonia people live in harmony with the huge jungle, providing a peaceful atmosphere. They make their village homes in the time-honored manner framed with poles cut from the forest and thatched with palm leaves or other vegetation. Today, many people continue to live according to tradition. As the forest provides the materials necessary for transportation, the men fell trees and carve canoes for navigating their river highways, some people that work in bigger communities, they go and back working in canoes, others have a motorcycle or a horse. Otherwise, many people from rural populations also had not the means to provide well for his family and are moving to cities, unhappily living in subnormal areas, with bad quality of life. The rural populations are increasingly disturbed by loggers, gold seekers, and others. Yet, their day-to-day existence is affected by the waves of immigrants now entering their forest home. The principal environmental problem of this area is the deforestation, which occurs from fires provoked by the expansion of agricultural activities and the time use has changed. This situation has provoked much concern, in Brazil and internationally.

QUESTIONS:

1. What the 'Statistics' says about how the population in Amazonia use the time and how affected are the habits of the people in these areas?

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