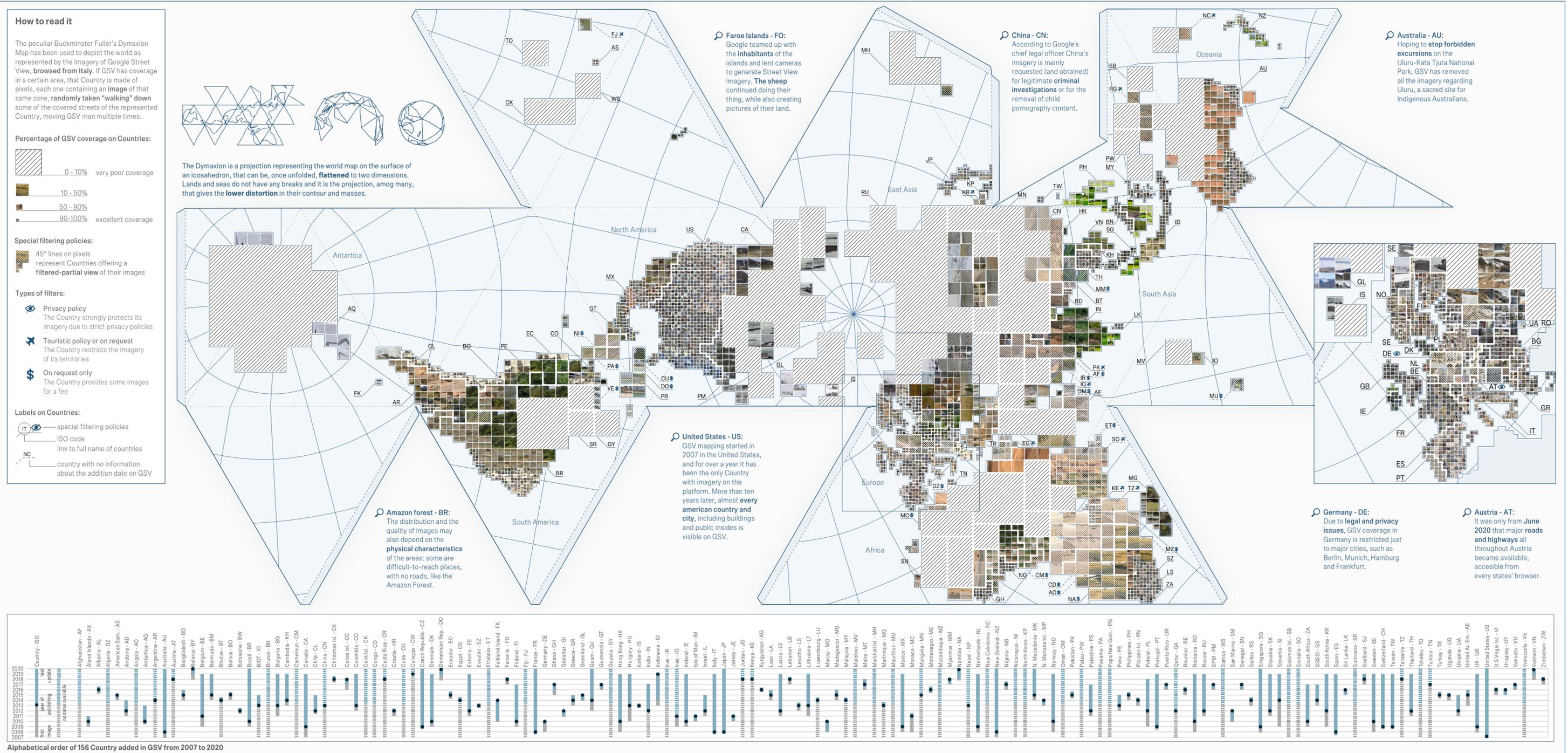


THE WORLD PICTURED BY GOOGLE STREET VIEW

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ABOUT THE VISUALISATION

Since it first launched in 2007 Google Street View (GSV) has managed to capture over sixteen million kilometres of Street View imagery across eighty-three countries. This visualisation stands between a globe and a cartogram. To visually represent how much or how little you can actually see by googling from

Italy a certain area of the world, more than a thousand Google Street View pictures have been taken to fill the surfaces of the lands. Every image is framed in a pixel, that according to its size, metaphorically represents a percentage of coverage in a certain area. The smaller the pixel, the higher the coverage, which also means high

definition of the images contained in the square. Instead, when in shortage of coverage, the pixel's size increases, providing a less clear image. In lack of data there are no pixels. Some countries decide not to provide full access to their imagery: the limitation applied has economic reasons or privacy concerns.

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