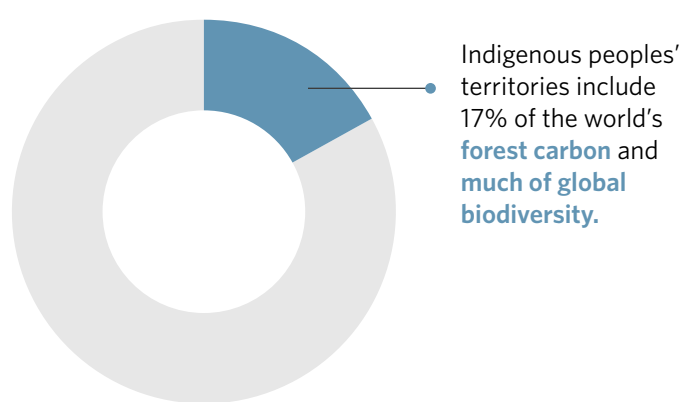
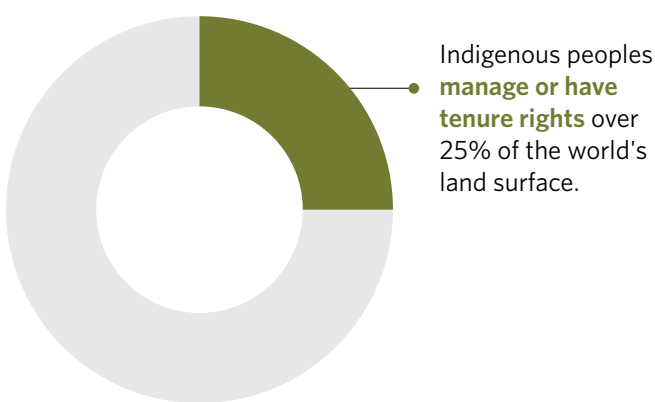


Strong Voices, Active Choices

Indigenous peoples and local communities' leadership is key to conservation and sustainable development of their own territories, the territories surrounding them, and ecosystems globally. Property rights have a history of making headlines when talking about indigenous peoples and local communities in the news, but recognized and secure property rights are not the full story.

TERRITORY OWNERSHIP



Indigenous peoples and local communities are among the Earth's most important stewards.

CHALLENGES

Indigenous peoples and local communities face challenges to making their vision for conservation and healthy communities a reality, including:



THE FRAMEWORK

TNC's approach to partnering with indigenous peoples and local communities on shared conservation and sustainable development goals is called the "**Voice, Choice, and Action Framework**" - or VCA Framework for short. Developed through an extensive review of literature and evidence from current TNC projects, this framework describes TNC's overarching theory of change for partnering with indigenous peoples and local communities.



Where sustainable natural resource management and community well-being are interdependent, achieving lasting positive results for people and nature generally requires the presence of four interdependent and mutually reinforcing conditions:

