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Forest cover: internation	onal comparisons 2010

Country	Forest area (million ha)	Total land area (million ha)	Forest as % of land area
United Kingdom	3	24	12
Finland	22	30	73
France	16	55	29
Germany	11	35	32
Italy	9	29	31
Spain	18	50	36
Sweden	28	41	69
Other EU	49	154	32
Total EU-27	157	419	37
Russian Federation	809	1638	49
Total Europe	1 0 0 5	2 2 1 5	45
Africa	674	2 974	23
Asia	593	3 0 9 1	19
North & Central America	705	2135	33
Oceania	191	849	23
South America	864	1746	49
World	4033	13 011	31

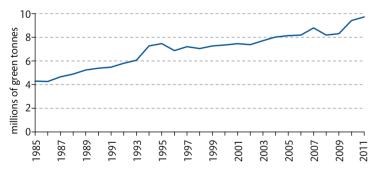
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Softwood deliveries (thousands of green tonnes)

Year	Saw- mills	Pulp- mills	Wood- based panels	Fenc- ing	Wood- fuel	Other	Round- wood exports	Total
2007	5 5 6 5	472	1362	319	200	113	759	8790
2008	4 933	515	1 219	359	300	128	733	8 187
2009	5 133	511	1 135	367	650	160	347	8304
2010	5616	428	1 375	349	1050	135	467	9419
2011	5860	453	1 417	363	900	145	585	9723

Figures are based on processing industries' purchases of softwood grown in the UK and estimates for woodfuel. Woodfuel reported here is derived from stemwood and includes estimated roundwood use for biomass energy. Other includes shavings and poles.

Softwood deliveries



Area of woodland 2012 (thousands of hectares)							
	*	•	Total woodland				
FC/FS							
England	154	60	214				
Wales	100	17	117				
Scotland	448	33	481				
Northern Ireland	55	6	62				
UK	757	116	874				
Other							
England	180	900	1 081				
Wales	51	136	187				
Scotland	610	302	912				
Northern Ireland	11	33	44				
UK	853	1 371	2 2 2 3				
All woodland							
England	334	961	1 295				
Wales	151	153	304				

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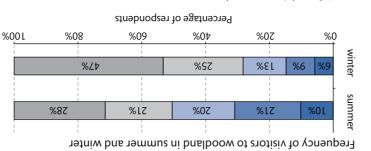
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Source: UK and GB Public Opinion of Forestry surveys These figures are not Mational Statistics. Per cent of population aged 16 and over visiting woodland in last few years.

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Visiting woodland (per cent of population)

Forest area changes: international comparisons (annual change)

1990-	-2000	2000-2010		
(000 ha)	(%)	(000 ha)	(%)	
18	0.68	9	0.31	
732	0.51	517	0.34	
877	0.09	676	0.07	
-4067	-0.56	-3414	-0.49	
-595	-0.10	2235	0.39	
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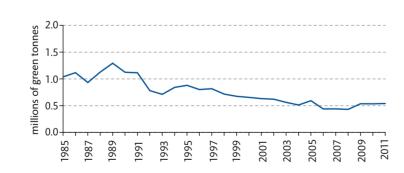
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Hardwood deliveries (thousands of green tonnes)

Year	Saw- mills	Pulp- mills	Wood- based panels	Wood- fuel	Other	Total
2007	66	0	5	300	69	440
2008	66	0	2	300	63	431
2009	76	0	1	400	59	536
2010	75	0	1	400	59	535
2011	81	0	1	400	59	541

Figures are based on processing industries' purchases of hardwood grown in the UK and estimates for woodfuel and other uses. Woodfuel reported here is derived from stemwood and includes estimated roundwood use for biomass energy. Other includes round fencing and roundwood exports. and roundwood exports

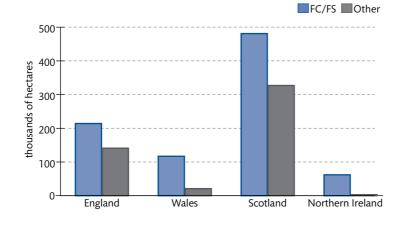
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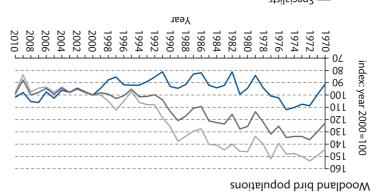
Area of certified woodland 2012 (thousands of hectares)

	FC/FS	Other	Total woodland area certified
England	214	141	355
Wales	117	21	138
Scotland	481	327	807
Northern Ireland	62	3	65
UK	874	491	1365

All certified woodland in 2012 is under the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) scheme. Some woodland is also certified under the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) Scheme.



— Generalists --- All woodland species Specialists



Based on data in Wild Bird Populations Statistics release (DEFRA, Movember 2017).

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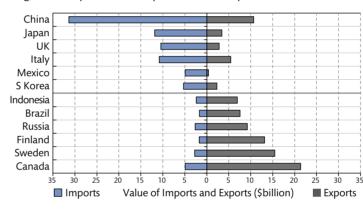
Woodland bird populations (index: year 2000=100)

Wood removals: international comparisons 2010

Region	Industrial roundwood (million m³)	Woodfuel (million m³)	Total roundwood (million m³)
UK	8	1	10
EU-27	336	85	421
Total Europe	504	149	654
Africa	74	617	691
Asia	268	765	1033
North & Central America	441	128	569
Oceania	54	11	64
South America	196	198	394
World	1 537	1868	3 405

Source: FAO These figures are not National Statistics. Cyprus is included in EU-27 total but is part of FAO's Asia region.

Largest net importers and exporters of forest products, 2010



Import and export volumes

		lmp	orts				
Year	Sawn- wood	Other wood	Wood- based panels	Pulp & paper	Wood (sawn & other)	Wood- based panels	Pulp & paper
	(000 m³)			(000 t)	(000) m³)	(000 t)
2007	8469	1 621	3858	9405	1698	599	5 743
2008	5886	1 921	3389	8821	1 510	520	5 932
2009	5 240	887	2500	8052	877	451	5 3 6 1
2010	5 699	1886	2701	8462	1 313	509	5349
2011	4925	2629	2827	8073	1645	546	5 485

Import and export values (£ million)

		lmp	orts				
Year	Sawn- wood	Other wood	Wood- based panels	Pulp & paper	Wood (sawn & other)	Wood- based panels	Pulp & paper
2007	1 516	128	914	4 2 7 5	110	107	1 427
2008	1085	158	873	4273	98	104	1 590
2009	953	111	677	4071	63	104	1362
2010	1 199	179	781	4607	89	113	1 610
2011	1083	223	838	4696	94	128	1650

'Other wood' includes roundwood, wood charcoal, chips, particles and residues. 'Pulp & paper' includes paperboard and recovered waste paper.

New planting (thousands of hectares)

Year	Engl	and	Wa	les	Scot	land	N Ire	land		UK	
(to 31/3)	*	•	*	•	*	•	*	•	*	•	Total
2008	0.1	2.5	0.0	0.2	0.7	3.4	0.1	0.5	0.9	6.7	7.5
2009	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.2	1.2	2.3	0.0	0.3	1.2	5.2	6.4
2010	0.0	2.3	0.0	0.2	0.5	2.2	0.0	0.2	0.5	4.9	5.4
2011	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.3	1.5	3.6	0.0	0.2	1.5	6.6	8.2
2012	0.0	2.6	0.1	0.6	3.3	5.7	0.0	0.3	3.5	9.2	12.7

Restocking (thousands of hectares)

Year	Eng	land	Wa	les	Scot	land	NIre	land		UK	
(to 31/3)	*	•	*	•	*	•	*	•	*	•	Total
2008	2.0	1.5	1.5	0.8	10.8	1.8	0.5	0.0	14.8	4.1	18.9
2009	1.7	1.7	1.4	0.8	8.2	1.4	0.8	0.1	12.1	4.0	16.1
2010	1.5	1.3	1.3	0.8	8.0	1.5	0.7	0.0	11.5	3.6	15.1
2011	2.3	1.7	1.3	0.8	5.6	1.3	1.0	0.0	10.3	3.8	14.0
2012	2.0	1.6	1.4	0.6	4.6	1.1	0.5	0.1	8.5	3.3	11.8

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Wood products: international comparisons 2010

		wood on m³)	Woodbased panels (million m³)		Paper & paperboard (million tonnes)	
Region	Production	Apparent consumption	Production	Apparent consumption	Production	Apparent consumption
UK	3	9	3	6	4	10
EU-27	100	90	61	60	95	83
Total Europe	139	109	75	73	108	96
Africa	8	16	3	4	4	7
Asia	94	126	142	136	175	181
North & Central America	103	98	44	51	94	91
Oceania	9	7	3	3	4	5
South America	38	34	16	13	15	17
World	391	390	283	280	400	396
Source: FAO. These figures are not National Statistics. Cyprus is included in EU-27 total						

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Employment in forestry and primary wood processing (thousands)

Year	Forestry	Saw- milling	Panels	Pulp & paper	Total
2006	11	13	5	14	43
2007	13	12	5	12	42
2008	12	11	5	13	41
2009	14	9	4	13	40
2010	14	10	6	13	43

Excludes secondary wood processing and other wood-using industries. Source: Annual Business Survey (Office for National Statistics).

Gross value added in forestry and primary wood processing (£ million)

Year	Forestry	Saw- milling	Panels	Pulp & paper	Total
2006	286	441	298	612	1637
2007	384	498	344	825	2051
2008	438	443	254	734	1869
2009	382	299	169	658	1505
2010	333	410	313	628	1684

Excludes secondary wood processing and other wood-using

Wood production (thousands of green tonnes)

Year		Softwood		Hardwood			
	FC/FS	Other	Total	FC/FS	Other	Total	
2007	4653	4083	8736	40	400	440	
2008	4415	3823	8238	43	388	431	
2009	5126	3 2 6 6	8392	87	449	536	
2010	4625	4648	9274	70	465	535	
2011	4870	5035	9905	75	465	541	

Production of wood products

Year	Sawnwood	Woodbased panels	Paper & paperboard		
	(000 m³)	(000 m³)	(000 tonnes)		
2007	3 123	3 5 4 9	5 2 2 8		
2008	2799	3 140	4983		
2009	2856	3 0 3 0	4 2 9 3		
2010	3 101	3 370	4300		
2011	3 279	3 3 8 4	4341		

Total production from UK mills, including products using imported material. Excludes other wood products (e.g. fuelwood and round fencing), roundwood and intermediate products (e.g. sawmill products, pulp and recovered paper).

Areas as of 31 March, 2012.

Northern Ireland

Scotland

Distribution of woodland in the UK

