

Urbanisation

The information relates to map changes recorded by Ordnance Survey between 1988 and 1992. The figure for Wales is affected by one very large change which accounts for over 20 per cent of the Welsh total.

- A large proportion of land with new urban uses is now previously developed - as much as 83 per cent in Greater London.
- However, in other parts of the country significant amounts of 'green field' land is still being developed.

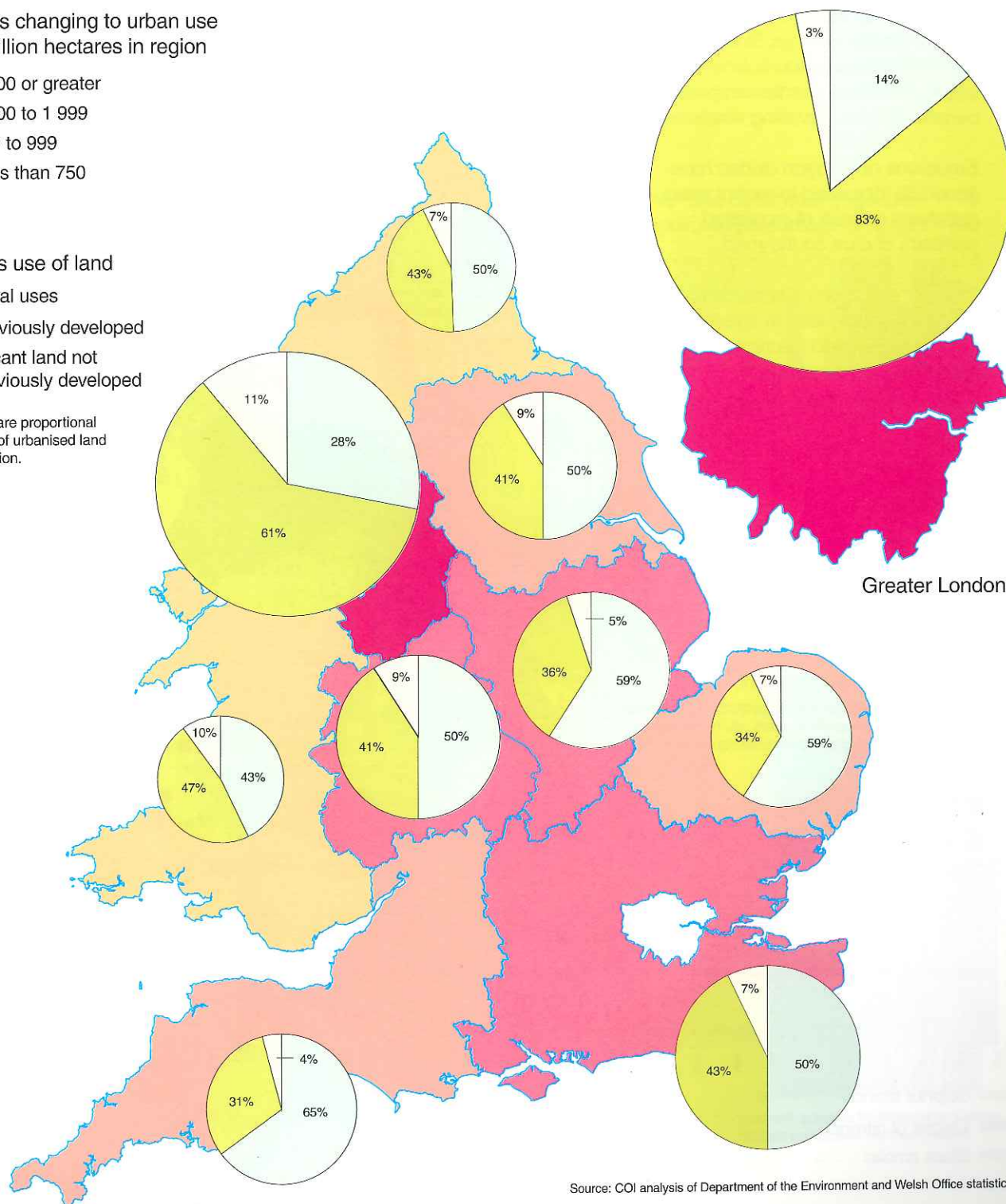
Hectares changing to urban use per 1 million hectares in region

- 2 000 or greater
- 1 000 to 1 999
- 750 to 999
- Less than 750

Previous use of land

- Rural uses
- Previously developed
- Vacant land not previously developed

Pie charts are proportional to the size of urbanised land in each region.



Source: COI analysis of Department of the Environment and Welsh Office statistics

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