

Administrative Datasets Used for National Statistics:

Woodland Carbon Code

Name of National Statistic and contact:	The dataset contributes to statistics on the Woodland Carbon Code in: • Forestry Statistics. The dataset is also used in the following non-National Statistics outputs: • Statistics on projects in England are reported annually in Forestry Commission England Corporate Plan Performance Indicators and Woodland Indicators. • The source is used in Forestry Commission Annual Reports & Accounts to report on the activities of the Forestry Commission. Contact: Jeremy Darot, e-mail jeremy.darot@forestry.gsi.gov.uk,
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Name of contributing dataset and what it contributes:	The Woodland Carbon Code dataset provides data on projects registered under the Woodland Carbon Code by the Forestry Commission. Information used in the production of Official Statistics are: • Number, area and projected carbon sequestration of projects, • Location (England/ Scotland/ Wales/ Northern Ireland) and • Whether the project is validated.
Brief description of data and dataset:	Information about Woodland Carbon Code projects comes from the UK Woodland Carbon Registry, housed on the Markit Environmental Registry (www.markit.com/product/registry). The register is a live database and summary data are extracted on a quarterly basis. Data held includes number, area, projected carbon sequestration, location and whether validated.

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How the data is collected:	Data are collected from online applications to register projects under the Woodland Carbon Code. Independent certification bodies, SFQC and SGS, notify the Forestry Commission of the change in status of projects once they are validated or verified.
Original purpose of dataset and any other publications from the data:	The data are used by the Forestry Commission's Economics & Climate Change team throughout the year, to assist in administering and monitoring progress of the Woodland Carbon Code. The purpose of a public register is also to add transparency to the emerging woodland carbon market.
Security of the data – how it is managed:	Access to the database for editing is restricted to relevant Economics & Climate Change staff.
Is supporting metadata available for this dataset?:	Economics & Climate Change staff maintain supporting metadata.
How do we get access?:	Aggregate quarterly data are requested from the Economics & Climate Change team. Data are provided by e-mail.
Quality assurance:	A draft of the statistics to be produced is provided to colleagues in Economics & Climate Change, seeking feedback on the figures to be presented and the accompanying commentary and background text.
Additional information:	Further information on the Woodland Carbon Code is available at www.forestry.gov.uk/carboncode