

# Pre-release Access to Official Statistics: UK Wood Production and Trade (provisional figures)

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## Introduction

Our arrangements for pre-release access to Official Statistics are described in a Pre-Release Access Statement<sup>1</sup>.

This document supplements the statement by giving the names and/or job titles of all those persons to whom pre-release access has been granted to UK Wood Production and Trade (provisional figures). The report covers 2 forms of pre-release access:

- Part 1 provides a list of those receiving pre-release access to the Official Statistics in their final form for briefing purposes. As this is a release covering the UK, the pre-release access period is limited to 24 hours.
- Part 2 provides a list of those receiving pre-release access for quality assurance purposes.

The justification for giving advance access to each listed recipient will be available on request.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.forestresearch.gov.uk/tools-and-resources/statistics/about-our-statistics/code-of-practice/pre-release-access-to-official-statistics/>

## Part 1: Pre-release access to final form (24 hours)

### Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs:

- Dan Doherty, Head of Trees, Woodlands & Forestry Policy
- Stephanie Bale, Policy Adviser
- Angus Anderson, Senior Strategic Communications Officer
- Aimee Carguillo, Senior Communications Officer
- Andrew Symmons, Communications Officer

### Forestry Commission:

- Richard Stanford, Chief Executive Officer
- Anna Brown, Director of Forest Services
- David Bole, Head of Sector Capacity and Green Economy, Forest Services
- Steve Fowkes, Business and Markets Adviser, Forest Services

### Forestry England:

- James Simpson, Director of Operations – Forestry and Land Management
- Stuart Burgess, Senior Press Officer
- Wally North, Forestry and Timber Sales Manager

### Scottish Government:

- Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands
- Cabinet Secretary for Wellbeing Economy, Net Zero and Economy
- Minister for Small Business, Innovation, Tourism and Trade
- Dave Signorini, Director, Environment and Forestry
- Kate Higgins, Special Adviser

### Scottish Forestry:

- Paul Lowe, Chief Executive
- Alan Hampson, Director of Policy and Practice
- Jason Hubert, Head of Forestry Sector Development
- Jonathan Taylor, Head of Scottish Forestry Executive Office
- Brendan Callaghan, Director of Operational Delivery
- Zahid Deen, Director of Transformation and Corporate Services
- James Aldred, Corporate Support Manager
- Steve Williams, Senior Media Manager

### Forestry and Land Scotland:

- Kevin Quinlan, Chief Executive
- Graeme Prest, Director Land Management & Regions
- Michael Hymers, Head of Corporate Support
- Paul Munro, Media Officer

### Welsh Government:

- Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs
- Haf Davies, Special Adviser
- Naomi Matthiessen, Deputy Director Land, Nature and Forestry Division
- Gail Merriman, Head of Timber Industrial Strategy
- Nicolas Turner, Head of Forestry
- Gareth John – Strategic Communications Officer
- Jamie Robins, Chief Press Officer

### Natural Resources Wales:

- StJohn Ashworth, Timber Sales and Marketing Manager
- Dom Driver, Head of Land Stewardship

Forest Research:

- James Pendlebury, Chief Executive
- Adrian Searle, Head of Communications

## Part 2: Pre-release access for quality assurance

### Expert Group on Timber & Trade Statistics:

- John Browne, Natural Resources Wales
- Nick Boulton, Timber Trade Federation
- Alan Christison, Jim Wilmer & Sons
- Neil Cowan, James Jones & Sons Ltd
- Colin Reilly, DAERA Forest Service
- Jason Hubert, Scottish Forestry
- Andy Leitch, Confederation of Forest Industries
- David Leslie, James Jones & Sons Ltd
- Nigel Manley, Balcas Timber Ltd
- Max McLaughlin, Egger UK
- Gail Merriman, Welsh Government
- Wally North, Forestry England
- Richard Palmer, AW Jenkinson Forest Products
- Harry Stevens, BSW
- David Symons, Euroforest Ltd
- [Kevin Thomas, West Fraser](#)
- [Ian Tubby, Head of Policy and Strategy, Forest Services](#)
- David Bole, Head of Sector Capacity and Green Economy, Forest Services
- Andrew Tuft, Scottish Woodlands

### Forest Research:

- James Pendlebury, Chief Executive
- Chris Quine, Chief Scientist
- Nicol Sinclair, Head of Inventory, Forecasting and Operational Support