Lancashire

Agri-Environment Schemes:

Key information, scheme uptake and expenditure data – November 2012



Total area of county (hectares)	306,978
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Agri-Environment Scheme	Number of Agreements	Area of the county under agreement (hectares)	Payments over lifetime of agreement (£) ³	Percentage of county in agreement
Environmental Stewardship (ES) ¹ :				
Entry Level Stewardship (ELS)	1,113	80,936	£2,764,082	26.4%
 Combined ELS and Higher Level Stewardship (HLS)² 	199	48,441	£4,587,963	15.8%
Higher Level Stewardship (HLS)	6	948	£386,839	0.3%
Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA)	3	70	3,281	0.0%
Countryside Stewardship Scheme (CSS)	79	3,041	252,551	1.0%
Grand Total	1,400	133,436	7,994,716	43.5%

Note 1 - All ES data includes conventional ES and Organic ES agreements.

Note 2 - For combined ELS/HLS, the area figure refers to total agreement area i.e. underpinning ELS area on which HLS options are located (not the area under HLS management).

Note 3 - Payment figures excludes payments for Capital Items and Conservation Plans.

Designated sites	Area of county designated (hectares)	Percentage of county designated (hectares)
Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs)	38,389	12.5%
Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)	12,412	4.0%
Special Protection Areas (SPAs) (for birds)	34,592	11.3%
Ramsar sites (wetlands of international importance)	19,257	6.3%