

Cumbria

Agri-Environment Schemes:

Key information, scheme uptake and expenditure data – November 2012

Total area of county (hectares)	681,770
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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)	1,965	191,555	£6,936,058	28.1%
• Combined ELS and Higher Level Stewardship (HLS) ²	663	162,650	£16,955,958	23.9%
• Higher Level Stewardship (HLS)	17	4,150	£545,554	0.6%
Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA)	812	96,194	4,700,311	14.1%
Countryside Stewardship Scheme (CSS)	160	8,752	743,746	1.3%
Grand Total	3,617	463,302	29,881,627	68.0%

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)	129,438	19.0%
Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)	97,175	14.3%
Special Protection Areas (SPAs) (for birds)	50,020	7.3%
Ramsar sites (wetlands of international importance)	45,969	6.7%