

North Yorkshire

Agri-Environment Schemes:

Key information, scheme uptake and expenditure data – November 2012

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Total area of county (hectares)	831,263
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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)	2,865	304,286	£10,091,874	36.6%
• Combined ELS and Higher Level Stewardship (HLS) ²	692	209,627	£14,263,824	25.2%
• Higher Level Stewardship (HLS)	46	1,618	£400,181	0.2%
Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA)	70	2,518	242,470	0.3%
Countryside Stewardship Scheme (CSS)	233	8,534	1,274,231	1.0%
Grand Total	3,906	526,583	26,272,581	63.3%

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)	126,902	15.3%
Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)	110,223	13.3%
Special Protection Areas (SPAs) (for birds)	100,158	12.0%
Ramsar sites (wetlands of international importance)	10,985	1.3%