

Shropshire

Agri-Environment Schemes:

Key information, scheme uptake and expenditure data – November 2012

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Total area of county (hectares)	348,813
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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)	1,304	118,336	£3,744,317	33.9%
• Combined ELS and Higher Level Stewardship (HLS) ²	494	64,945	£7,689,902	18.6%
• Higher Level Stewardship (HLS)	13	256	£238,053	0.1%
Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA)	330	20,591	1,333,932	5.9%
Countryside Stewardship Scheme (CSS)	143	2,858	913,149	0.8%
Grand Total	2,284	206,987	13,919,354	59.3%

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)	4,359	1.2%
Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)	735	0.2%
Special Protection Areas (SPAs) (for birds)	-	0.0%
Ramsar sites (wetlands of international importance)	-	0.0%