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The Forestry Commission (www.forestry.gov.uk/climatechange) and Forest Research agency (www.forestry.gov.uk/fr/climatechange) websites are a good starting point for finding out more about forestry and climate change. Details of other useful sources of information are listed below by subject.

Unless otherwise specified, Forestry Commission publications can be ordered and downloaded from: www.forestry.gov.uk/publications

Role of the Forestry Commission

Forests and climate change: a convenient truth.
www.forestry.gov.uk/climatechange

Forestry Commission England

The strategy for England's trees, woods and forests (ETWF) and the ETWF delivery plan 2008–2012
www.forestry.gov.uk/etwf

Leafing the Classroom: Strategy for Forestry Commission Estate Education and Learning Services 2008–2012.
www.forestry.gov.uk/england

Forestry Commission Scotland

Climate change action plan 2009–2011.
www.forestry.gov.uk/scotland

Forestry Commission Wales

Woodland for Wales strategy and action plan 2010–2015
www.forestry.gov.uk/wales

Forest Research

Forest Research climate change projects
www.forestry.gov.uk/fr/climatechange

Climate change impacts

The UK climate projections (UKCP09) provide information on how the UK's climate is likely to change in the 21st century, as it responds to rising levels of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.
<http://ukclimateprojections.defra.gov.uk>

The UK Climate Impacts Programme helps organisations adapt to inevitable climate change: www.ukcip.org.uk

For more details on the science of climate change see the IPCC Fourth Assessment Report: www.ipcc.ch

Forestry and climate change

Combating climate change: a role for UK forests. An assessment of the potential of the UK's trees and woodlands to mitigate and adapt to climate change (The Read Report).
www.tsoshop.co.uk

The World is hot enough
Forestry Commission DVD film
www.forestry.gov.uk/climatechange

Global partnership on forest landscape restoration (DVD film)
www.forestry.gov.uk/climatechange

Climate change: Impacts on UK forests. Forestry Commission Bulletin (FCBU125).

Impacts of climate change on forestry in England.
Forestry Commission Research Note (In prep – FCRN201).

Impacts of climate change on forestry in Scotland.
Forestry Commission Research Note (FCRN101).

Impacts of climate change on forestry in Wales.
Forestry Commission Research Note (FCRN301).

The Environmental Change Network at Alice Holt Research Forest.
Forestry Commission Research Note (FCRN001)

Mitigation

Forests, carbon and climate change: the UK contribution.
Forestry Commission Information Note (FCIN048).

A Carbon Account for Kielder Forest. Scottish Forestry 62(3).

Mitigation (wood products)

The Wood for Good website is an excellent starting point for finding out more information about wood as a material and as a product. Factsheets are also available from this site.

www.woodforgood.com

Wood for Good are also involved in a pan-European project to communicate the role of wood products in mitigating climate change, and have produced a booklet with the Nordic Timber Council 'The role of wood in reducing climate change: a summary of the arguments'. Type this title into Google to download.

Preventing greenhouse gas emissions through wood substitution.
Journal of Forestry (2008) Chapter 3.
Type this title into Google to download.

Mitigation (woodfuel)

The UK Renewable Energy Strategy can be downloaded from: www.decc.gov.uk

The Biomass Action Plan for Scotland can be downloaded from the Forestry Commission Scotland woodfuel pages: www.forestry.gov.uk/scotland

More information on using woodfuel in Scotland, from heating homes to developing large-scale energy plants, is available from: www.usewoodfuel.co.uk

More information on using woodfuel in Wales is available from:

www.forestry.gov.uk/wales

More information about the WEBS schemes in Wales is available from:

www.woodfuelwales.org.uk

The woodfuel pages of the Forestry Commission website are a useful reference and include 'A Woodfuel Strategy for England' and the 'Woodfuel: Energy that grows on trees' DVD.

www.forestry.gov.uk/woodfuel

The Biomass Energy Centre website is also a very good reference point.

www.biomassenergycentre.org.uk

A Woodfuel Information Pack and a leaflet Woodfuel Meets the Challenge are available from Forest Research.

www.forestry.gov.uk/fr/woodfuel

Climate change: be part of the solution – focus on biomass for renewable energy. Farming Futures Fact Sheet 19.

www.farmingfutures.org.uk

Adaptation

Climate change and British woodland. Forestry Commission Information Note (FCIN069)

The role of forest genetic resources in helping British forests respond to climate change

Forestry Commission Information Note (FCIN086)

Adapting to climate change in England: a framework for action.

www.defra.gov.uk

Climate change: wildlife and adaptation – 20 tough questions, 20 rough answers.

www.rspb.org.uk

Pests and diseases

Climate change: Implications for insect pests. In: Climate change: Impacts on UK forests.

Forestry Commission Bulletin (FCBU125).

Phytophthora pathogens of trees: their rising profile in Europe.

Forestry Commission Information Note (FCIN030).

Red band needle blight of conifers in Britain.

Forestry Commission Research Note (FCRN002).

Potential impacts of drought and disease on forestry in Scotland.

Forestry Commission Research Note (FCRN004).

Sustainable forest management

The UK Forestry Standard (UKFS) and Guidelines (currently being revised and due to be published by the Forestry Commission in 2010) set out the approach of the governments in the UK to sustainable forest management.

These documents set standards, provide a basis for regulation and monitoring (including national and international reporting); and provide links to sources of guidance. For more information about the UKFS and progress on the publication timetable:

www.forestry.gov.uk/ukfs

The following websites also provide information on sustainable forestry:

Forestry Commission
www.forestry.gov.uk/sustainableforestry

Forest Research
www.forestry.gov.uk/forestresearch

UK Woodland Assurance Standard
www.ukwas.org.uk

Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)
www.fsc-uk.org
Programme for the endorsement of forest certification (PEFC)
www.pefc.co.uk

British Trust for Conservation Volunteers
www.btcv.org.uk

Forestry facts and figures

The Forestry Commission carries out economic research and appraisals and also compiles statistical information covering various aspects of forestry. Publications including Forestry Statistics, Forestry Facts and Figures and the Public Opinion of Forestry survey are available from:

www.forestry.gov.uk/statistics

Information on UK greenhouse gas emissions is available from:

www.decc.gov.uk

Educational and other materials

Further information and activities on each topic covered by this pack are available for Forestry Commission staff (see the climate change section of eConnect) as well as graphics, posters and other interpretation resources for communicating climate change.

For more information contact:
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See also the resources available from:
www.forestry.gov.uk/climatechange