

# Statistics Work Plan 2010-11

July 2010

This work plan for the year April 2010 – March 2011 has been developed to meet the needs of users of our statistics and services, including all parts of the Forestry Commission (FC), international organisations and external stakeholders. See:

<http://www.forestry.gov.uk/website/forestry.nsf/byunique/infid-7zejnv>

## 1. Official Statistics publications and related work

- Carry out surveys and data collection to cover UK timber industries (February to April), as agreed with Expert Group on Timber & Trade Statistics.
- Wood Production and Trade first release (May), as in 2009, based on UK industry statistics and surveys and Overseas Trade Statistics.
- Timber Price Indices first release (May and November), as in 2009
- Woodland Area, Planting and Restocking first release (June), as in 2009.
- Nursery Survey (September), as in 2009.
- Forestry Facts & Figures (September), as in 2009.
- Forestry Statistics (September), as in 2009.
- UK Indicators of Sustainable Forestry: updates and new publication on UK Indicators of Sustainable Forest Management.
- Support development and reporting of indicators for country forestry strategies (England, Scotland, Wales).
- Develop and maintain statistics documentation to meet the requirements of UK Statistics Authority and GSS guidance.
- Provide advice to others in FC to assist them to identify other official statistics and to comply with the Code of Practice (includes National Forest Inventory, climate change, FC National Offices, Forest Research).
- For Survey Control, advise all parts of FC on possible surveys, and prepare reports to obtain ministerial approval.
- Provide statistics for other government publications, POs, researchers, public enquiries.

## 2. International returns

- Joint Forest Sector Questionnaire (provisional May, final September) for timber production and trade, as in 2009.
- Timber Committee Questionnaire (September) for timber production and trade forecasts, as in 2009.

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- Integrated Environmental and Economic Accounts for Forestry (July) – annual economic data.
- State of Europe's Forests 2011 – compile UK data and check data from international providers, to complete by August 2010. Lead author for social and economic indicators in international publication.
- Joint Wood Energy Enquiry 2010 – biennial return.

## 3. Research

- Advise FC National Offices on surveys commissioned from others (e.g. Public Opinion of Forestry surveys).
- Advise on environmental monitoring and social and economic research.

## 4. Recreation statistics and monitoring

- Support on-site monitoring, including Quality of Experience and local surveys.
- Participate in collaborative household surveys in Scotland, England and Wales.

## 5. Statistical Services

- Support Human Resources Division and other parts of the FC by advising on surveys and analysis.

Comments on this work plan for 2010-11 or possible future work can be directed to the address below.

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