

2 Table T2 – Forest ownership and management rights

2.1 FRA 2010 Categories and definitions

Category	Definition
Public ownership	Forest owned by the State; or administrative units of the public administration; or by institutions or corporations owned by the public administration.
Private ownership	Forest owned by individuals, families, communities, private co-operatives, corporations and other business entities, private religious and educational institutions, pension or investment funds, NGOs, nature conservation associations and other private institutions.
Individuals (sub-category of Private ownership)	Forest owned by individuals and families.
Private business entities and institutions (sub-category of Private ownership)	Forest owned by private corporations, co-operatives, companies and other business entities, as well as private non-profit organizations such as NGOs, nature conservation associations, and private religious and educational institutions, etc.
Local communities (sub-category of Private ownership)	Forest owned by a group of individuals belonging to the same community residing within or in the vicinity of a forest area. The community members are co-owners that share exclusive rights and duties, and benefits contribute to the community development.
Indigenous / tribal communities (sub-category of Private ownership)	Forest owned by communities of indigenous or tribal people.
Other types of ownership	Other kind of ownership arrangements not covered by the categories above. Also includes areas where ownership is unclear or disputed.
Categories related to the holder of management rights of public forest resources	
Public Administration	The Public Administration (or institutions or corporations owned by the Public Administration) retains management rights and responsibilities within the limits specified by the legislation.
Individuals/households	Forest management rights and responsibilities are transferred from the Public Administration to individuals or households through long-term leases or management agreements.
Private institutions	Forest management rights and responsibilities are transferred from the Public Administration to corporations, other business entities, private co-operatives, private non-profit institutions and associations, etc., through long-term leases or management agreements.
Communities	Forest management rights and responsibilities are transferred from the Public Administration to local communities (including indigenous and tribal communities) through long-term leases or management agreements.
Other form of management rights	Forests for which the transfer of management rights does not belong to any of the categories mentioned above.

2.2 National data

2.2.1 Data sources

References to sources of information	Quality (H/M/L)	Variable(s)	Year(s)	Additional comments
Forestry Statistics 2008 and related databases	H	Public	1990 to 2008	Used for state forests (FC/FS)
National Inventory	M	All	1995-99	Used for other public bodies, local authorities and breakdown of private

2.2.2 Classification and definitions

National class	Definition
Forestry Commission / Forest Service	State owned woodland, from administrative data sources
Other public body	Woodland owned by other public bodies, not FC, e.g. for defence, highways, crown estate. GB estimate for 1995-99 from NIWT.
Local authority	Woodland owned by counties, districts and other local authorities. GB estimate for 1995-99 from NIWT.

2.2.3 Original data

State forests 000 hectares

	UK	England	Scotland	Wales	N Ireland
1990	956	235	533	130	58
2000	886	216	493	116	61
2005	838	205	463	109	61

NIWT 1995-99 000 hectares

	GB	England	Scotland	Wales
Other public	45	27	13	5
Local authorities	80	61	11	8
Personal	1110	481	533	96
Private forestry businesses	41	7	28	6
Other private businesses	273	147	101	26
Charities	90	68	14	8
Communities / common	5	4	0	1
Unclassified	18	4	13	1

2.3 Analysis and processing of national data

2.3.1 Estimation and forecasting

Forestry Commission / Forest Service statistics are published annually. Published figures are used here for 1990 and 2000, while 20,000 hectares are added for 2005, as described for Table 1. Figures for other public bodies (GB) and local authorities (GB) are assumed to be constant at levels recorded by 1995-99 NIWT. FRA Private is estimated as (Total – Public) for all years; in the absence of any time series, the proportions for each sub-category of the private total are assumed to be the same in each year.

2.3.2 Reclassification into FRA 2010 categories

FRA Public = Forestry Commission / Forest Service plus other public bodies plus local authorities.

FRA business entities and institutions (2000) = private forestry businesses, other private businesses, charities, unclassified

FRA communities (2000) = communities or common land

FRA Individuals (2000) = Total private minus two categories above

Note that, as the NIWT 1995-99 data exclude Northern Ireland, this reclassification allocates all Northern Ireland non-state forests (around 15,000 hectares) to individuals.

2.4 Data for Table T2

Table 2a - Forest ownership

FRA 2010 Categories	Forest area (1000 hectares)		
	1990	2000	2005
Public ownership	1081	1011	983
Private ownership	1530	1782	1862
...of which owned by individuals	1163	1355	1416
...of which owned by private business entities and institutions	362	422	441
...of which owned by local communities	5	5	5
...of which owned by indigenous / tribal communities	0	0	0
Other types of ownership	0	0	0
TOTAL	2611	2793	2845

Note: If other types of ownership is reported, please specify details in comment to the table.

Does ownership of trees coincide with ownership of the land on which they are situated?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes
	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
If No above, please describe below how the two differ:		

Table 2b - Holder of management rights of public forests

FRA 2010 Categories	Forest area (1000 hectares)		
	1990	2000	2005
Public Administration	1081	1011	983
Individuals	0	0	0
Private corporations and institutions	0	0	0
Communities	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
TOTAL	1081	1011	983

2.5 Comments to Table T2

Variable / category	Comments related to data, definitions, etc.	Comments on the reported trend
Public ownership		
Private ownership		
Other types of ownership		
Management rights		

Other general comments to the table