

Woodland Carbon Code: Data to December 2014

Introduction

The Woodland Carbon Code is a voluntary standard, initiated in July 2011, for woodland creation projects that make claims about the carbon they sequester (take out of the atmosphere).

All projects must be placed on the Register of UK Woodland Carbon Projects. Their claims about potential carbon sequestration are validated by an independent certification body. Validated projects are then verified on a regular basis to confirm the progress of carbon sequestration.

Woodland Carbon Code Statistics are released on a quarterly basis at:

www.forestry.gov.uk/forestry/infd-93yjte

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Table 1 Woodland Carbon Code projects in the UK

	Validated	Awaiting validation	Total
Number of projects			
December 2011	3	36	39
December 2012	22	67	89
December 2013	63	129	192
March 2014	67	135	202
June 2014	87	114	201
September 2014	89	112	201
December 2014	100	97	197
Area of woodland (hectares)			
December 2011	319	1,887	2,206
December 2012	1,134	1,877	3,011
December 2013	2,503	12,679	15,183
March 2014	2,824	12,576	15,401
June 2014	3,135	12,255	15,390
September 2014	3,201	12,188	15,389
December 2014	3,322	12,052	15,374
Projected carbon sequestration¹ (thousand tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent)			
December 2011	137	791	928
December 2012	500	895	1,395
December 2013	1,156	4,460	5,617
March 2014	1,323	4,364	5,687
June 2014	1,496	4,181	5,676
September 2014	1,528	4,154	5,682
December 2014	1,588	4,083	5,671

Source: Forestry Commission

Notes:

1. Figures for carbon sequestration indicate the total projected sequestration of the projects over their lifetime of up to 100 years, and include the amount claimable by a project plus the amount allocated to a shared "buffer" in case of unanticipated losses.

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Table 2 Woodland Carbon Code projects at 31 December 2014

	England	Scotland	Wales	Northern Ireland	UK
Number of projects					
Validated	43	53	3	1	100
Awaiting validation	67	26	4	0	97
Total	110	79	7	1	197
Area of woodland (hectares)					
Validated	895	2,367	52	9	3,322
Awaiting validation	1,103	10,770	179	0	12,052
Total	1,998	13,137	231	9	15,374
Projected carbon sequestration¹ (thousand tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent)					
Validated	498	1,055	33	3	1,588
Awaiting validation	746	3,253	84	0	4,083
Total	1,244	4,308	116	3	5,671

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