

Devonshire

Agri-Environment Schemes:

Key information, scheme uptake and expenditure data – November 2012

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Total area of county (hectares)	672,033
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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)	3,334	220,068	£8,099,811	32.7%
• Combined ELS and Higher Level Stewardship (HLS) ²	553	91,510	£13,031,813	13.6%
• Higher Level Stewardship (HLS)	64	6,513	£1,182,493	1.0%
Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA)	438	25,555	1,363,390	3.8%
Countryside Stewardship Scheme (CSS)	285	5,770	1,072,036	0.9%
Grand Total	4,674	349,416	24,749,542	52.0%

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)	44,135	6.6%
Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)	28,731	4.3%
Special Protection Areas (SPAs) (for birds)	3,960	0.6%
Ramsar sites (wetlands of international importance)	2,365	0.4%