



Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government

Main headlines

Proportion of land designated as Green Belt:

12.5% 1,632,730 hectares (ha)

Total net change from the previous year:

- 480 ha **- 0.03%**

Net change from designation policies:

- 480 ha (- 650 ha in 2024-25)

Net change from LA (local authority) boundary updates:

0 ha (- 10 ha in 2024-25)

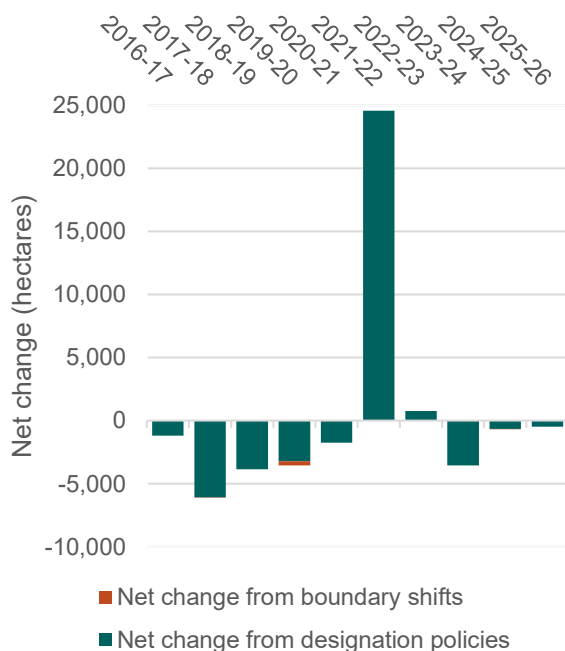
Out of 296 LAs, number that have land designated as Green Belt within them:

177 (60% of all authorities)

Number of LAs reporting designation changes to their Green Belt:

7 (6 in 2024-25)

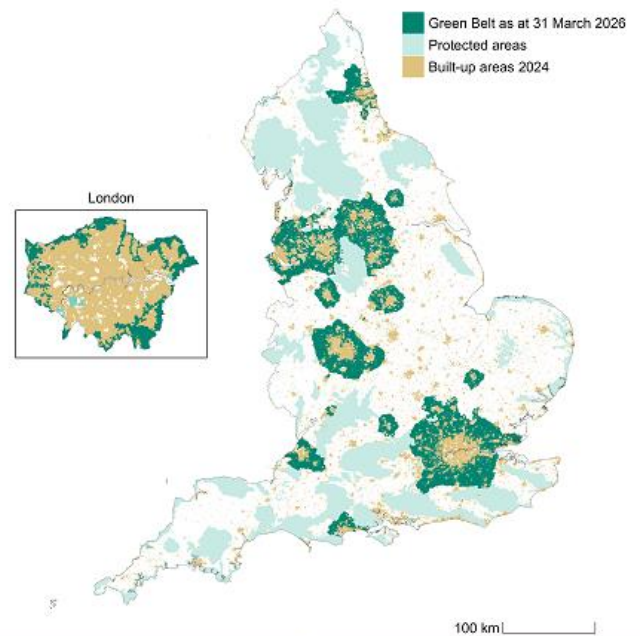
Total year on year net change (hectares)



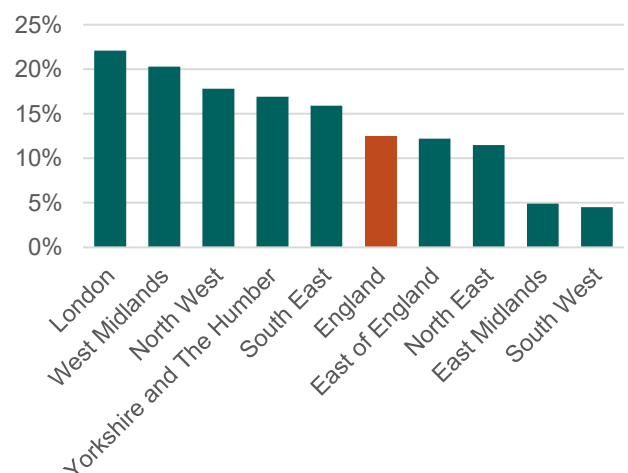
Local authority Green Belt statistics:

England: 2025-26

Extent of the Green Belt as at 31 March 2026



Proportion of land designated as Green Belt, by Region



Related statistics

Proportion of new residential addresses created in 2021-22 on land designated as Green Belt:

2% [Land Use Change 2021-22 statistics](#)

Proportion of land within the Green Belt that is of developed use as at April 2022

7% [Land Use 2022 statistics](#)

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