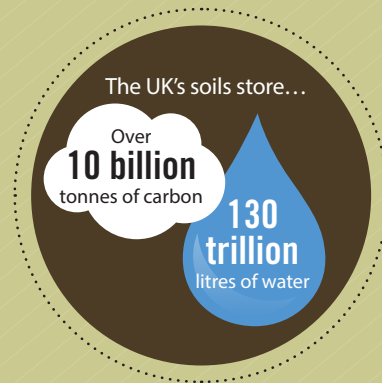
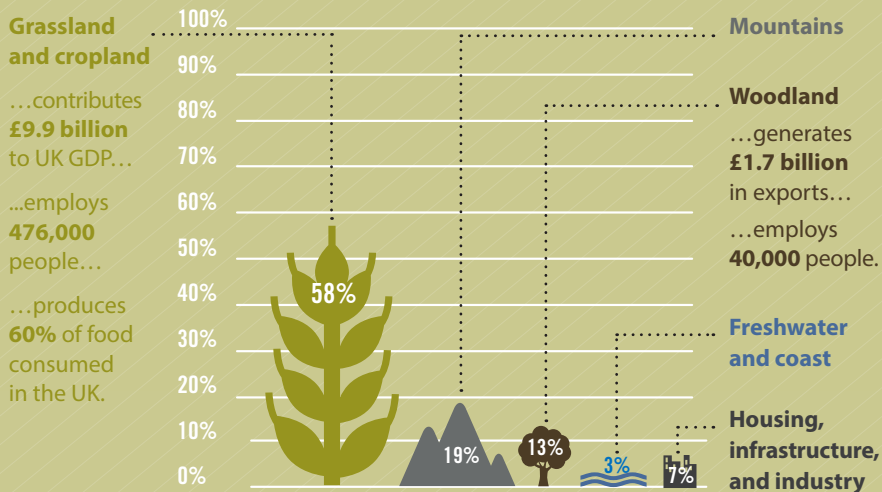




Climate change will impact the UK's natural landscapes and wildlife habitats, on land, around the coast, and at sea. The biggest risks are from higher temperatures, changes in rainfall patterns, sea level rise and ocean acidification.

UK LAND USE IN NUMBERS



THE UK PUBLIC VALUES NATURE

In 2014, the 15 national parks in Great Britain received over **73 million visitors** who spent **£5.5 billion**.

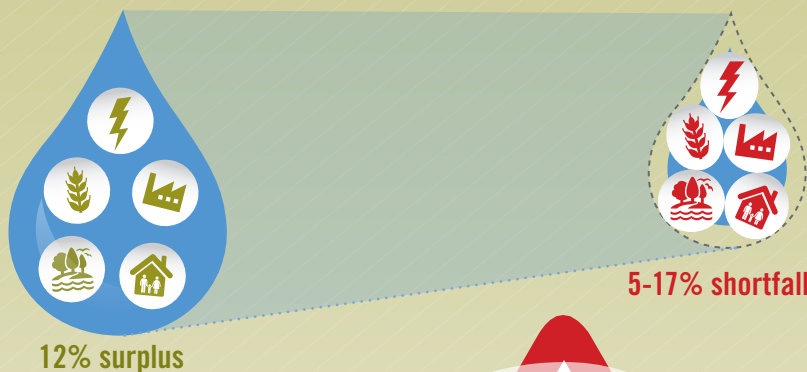


THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE UK

- If climate change is left unchecked, the proportion of 'high grade' land in the UK could drop from 38% to 9% by the 2050s.
- Warmer temperatures and longer growing seasons may provide benefits, but only if water and soils are managed sustainably.



- By the 2050s, the demand for water will exceed the available supply in many catchments in England, and some in Wales and Scotland.
- Without further action, the demand for water during drier periods may not be met in many areas.



The UK coastline is vulnerable to **sea level rise**. Coastal habitats, such as saltmarsh and sand dunes, will be increasingly lost between rising water levels and sea defences.

