

## East of England: Key Indicators

### A: Understanding the Assets

*Heritage Counts 2008* aims to analyse trends in indicator data since the first State of the Historic Environment report in 2002. The National Monuments Record, which holds the national database for listed buildings and scheduled monuments, has undertaken a great deal of work to produce consistent data over the time series being analysed in *Heritage Counts 2008* and consequently some figures quoted may vary from those in previous years. This report outlines some of the main trends in historic environment key indicators. In most cases the baseline data is from 2002.

#### A1 Designated Heritage Assets

- The region had 57,643 **listed buildings** in April 2008 (over 15% of the total for England). There were 1,743 listed Grade I and 3,429 listed Grade II\*
- The number of listed buildings in the East of England has increased by 266 (0.5%) since 2002.
- There were 1,728 **scheduled monuments** recorded in the region in April 2008 (about 9% of the total for England).
- The East of England has one of England's 43 **registered historic battlefields**, at Maldon in Essex.
- The East of England has one of England's 45 **protected wreck sites**, off the coast of Dunwich in Suffolk.
- The East of England is the only region that does not have a World Heritage Site.

Local Authority	Listed Buildings								Scheduled Monuments
	Grade I	Grade II*	Grade II	Grade A	Grade B	Grade C	Not Graded	Total	
<b>Bedfordshire (including UA)</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>3,095</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3,352</b>	<b>154</b>
Bedford	49	39	1,235	1	3	1	1	1,329	69
Mid Bedfordshire	44	75	1,297	0	1	0	0	1,417	59
South Bedfordshire	18	23	483	0	1	0	0	525	24
<b>Luton UA</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Cambridgeshire (incl. UA)</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>7,381</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8,180</b>	<b>324</b>
Cambridge	63	41	665	1	7	1	0	778	5
East Cambridgeshire	48	53	870	0	2	0	0	973	50
Fenland	10	43	603	0	0	0	0	656	20

Huntingdonshire	60	126	2,010	0	5	1	0	2,202	82
South Cambridgeshire	49	168	2,418	0	0	0	9	2,644	102
<b>Peterborough UA</b>	67	43	815	1	0	0	1	927	65
<b>Essex (including UAs)</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>13,252</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14,318</b>	<b>321</b>
Basildon	2	9	110	0	4	1	0	126	3
Braintree	66	181	2,940	0	4	0	0	3,191	40
Brentwood	12	27	480	0	0	0	0	519	12
Castle Point	3	3	28	0	0	0	0	34	7
Chelmsford	16	32	932	0	17	2	0	999	19
Colchester	41	99	1,423	0	4	2	1	1,570	45
Epping Forest	15	82	1,221	0	1	3	2	1,324	34
Harlow	5	8	151	0	0	0	0	164	13
Maldon	15	49	960	0	1	1	0	1,026	20
Rochford	1	17	309	0	0	0	0	327	5
Tendring	23	43	906	0	0	0	2	974	27
Uttlesford	64	169	3,493	0	0	0	1	3,727	73
<b>Southend on Sea UA</b>	5	1	86	0	4	0	0	96	6
<b>Thurrock UA</b>	12	16	213	0	0	0	0	241	17
<b>Hertfordshire</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>7,466</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8,065</b>	<b>177</b>
Broxbourne	5	11	244	0	0	0	0	260	8
Dacorum	12	57	829	1	0	4	0	903	32
East Hertfordshire	40	198	2,789	0	0	0	7	3,034	45
Hertsmere	3	13	301	0	0	0	2	319	4
North Hertfordshire	25	104	1,604	0	1	0	1	1,735	60
St Albans	9	35	770	0	2	2	0	818	18
Stevenage	2	10	113	0	0	1	0	126	3
Three Rivers	3	14	334	0	0	0	0	351	3
Watford	2	3	86	0	0	0	0	91	0
Welwyn Hatfield	7	25	396	0	0	0	0	428	4
<b>Norfolk</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>9,158</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10,536</b>	<b>438</b>
Breckland	111	103	1,309	1	0	0	1	1,525	126
Broadland	50	79	844	0	0	0	0	973	22

Great Yarmouth	13	43	350	0	0	0	0	406	13
King's Lynn and West Norfolk	106	134	1,229	0	0	0	4	1,473	133
North Norfolk	95	200	1,950	1	0	0	1	2,247	83
Norwich	62	122	836	0	0	0	1	1,021	24
South Norfolk	100	150	2,640	0	0	0	1	2,891	37
<b>Suffolk</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>11,978</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13,192</b>	<b>328</b>
Babergh	86	187	2,712	1	0	0	1	2,987	34
Forest Heath	12	23	318	0	0	0	0	353	37
Ipswich	11	26	417	0	4	2	0	460	10
Mid Suffolk	89	184	3,133	0	0	0	3	3,409	37
St Edmundsbury	92	133	2,253	1	8	0	3	2,490	66
Suffolk Coastal	60	160	2,016	0	1	0	0	2,237	115
Waveney	59	68	1,129	0	0	0	0	1,256	29
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>1,743</b>	<b>3,429</b>	<b>52,330</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>57,643</b>	<b>1742</b>

#### UA = Unitary Authority

Some Scheduled Monuments straddle district/borough local authority boundaries. Where this happens, they have been counted in both authorities.

#### A2 Historic Areas and Open Spaces

- The East of England had 209 **listed parks and gardens** in 2008. This is an increase of nine on the 2002 total. The East of England has the third highest total of listed parks and gardens in England.
- The East of England has one of England's nine **National Parks**, the Broads in Norfolk.
- The East of England has three of England's 36 **Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty**: Dedham Vale, Norfolk Coast, and Suffolk Coast and Heaths.
- The East of England has two sections of **Heritage Coast**: North Norfolk and Suffolk.
- There was no Conservation Area data available for the East of England in 2008.

Local Authority	Parks and Gardens			
	Grade I	Grade II*	Grade II	Total
<b>Bedfordshire (including UA)</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>19</b>
Bedford	0	0	4	4
Mid Bedfordshire	2	2	8	12
South Bedfordshire	0	1	0	1
<b>Luton UA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Cambridgeshire (incl. UA)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>37</b>
Cambridge	0	4	7	11
East Cambridgeshire	0	1	3	4
Fenland	0	0	1	1
Huntingdonshire	0	1	4	5
South Cambridgeshire	1	4	7	12
<b>Peterborough UA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Essex (including UAs)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>39</b>
Basildon	0	0	0	0
Braintree	0	1	7	8
Brentwood	0	1	2	3
Castle Point	0	0	0	0
Chelmsford	0	1	5	6
Colchester	0	0	4	4
Epping Forest	0	1	4	5
Harlow	0	0	1	1
Maldon	0	1	0	1
Rochford	0	0	0	0
Tendring	0	0	3	3
Uttlesford	1	1	5	7
<b>Southend On Sea UA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Thurrock UA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Hertfordshire</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>47</b>
Broxbourne	0	0	1	1
Dacorum	0	1	2	3
East Hertfordshire	0	5	10	15

Hertsmere	0	0	4	4
North Hertfordshire	1	2	10	13
St Albans	0	0	2	2
Stevenage	0	0	0	0
Three Rivers	0	1	2	3
Watford	0	0	1	1
Welwyn Hatfield	1	0	4	5
<b>Norfolk</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>52</b>
Breckland	0	0	8	8
Broadland	0	3	1	4
Great Yarmouth	0	0	1	1
King's Lynn and West Norfolk	1	1	3	5
North Norfolk	1	8	9	18
Norwich	0	0	9	9
South Norfolk	0	3	4	7
<b>Suffolk</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>23</b>
Babergh	0	2	3	5
Forest Heath	0	0	0	0
Ipswich	0	0	3	3
Mid Suffolk	2	0	0	2
St Edmundsbury	0	2	2	4
Suffolk Coastal	0	2	4	6
Waveney	0	1	2	3
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>217</b>

**UA = Unitary Authority**

Some Registered Parks and Gardens straddle district/borough local authority boundaries. Where this happens, they have been counted in both authorities.

## B: Caring and Sharing

### B1 Heritage at Risk

- English Heritage's **Heritage at Risk Register** in 2008 recorded 123 entries of Grade I and II\* buildings and structural Scheduled Monuments at risk through neglect or decay in the East of England.
- Fifty-two (48%) of the 108 entries that were included on the baseline 1999 Register have now been removed.
- The percentage of Grade I and Grade II\* buildings at risk in the East of England was 1.8% in 2008, a 0.1% increase on 1999.
- The East of England has the lowest proportion of Grade I and II\* buildings at risk of any region.
- 17% of scheduled monuments in the region are at high risk, 43% are at medium risk and 40% are at low risk.
- 9% of registered parks and gardens are at high risk, 21% are at medium risk and 70% are at low risk.

Local Authority	Buildings at Risk		
	Grades I & II* (may also be SMs)	SMs (Grade II & Unlisted)	Total
<b>Bedfordshire (incl. UA)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>
Bedford	1	0	1
Mid Bedfordshire	3	0	3
South Bedfordshire	1	0	1
<b>Luton UA</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cambridgeshire (incl. UA)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>
Cambridge	0	0	0
East Cambridgeshire	2	0	2
Fenland	1	0	1
Huntingdonshire	3	0	3
South Cambridgeshire	2	0	2
<b>Peterborough UA</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Essex (incl. UAs)</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>27</b>
Basildon	0	0	0
Braintree	0	0	0
Brentwood	1	1	2

Castle Point	0	0	0
Chelmsford	0	0	0
Colchester	2	1	3
Epping Forest	3	3	6
Harlow	1	0	1
Maldon	2	0	2
Rochford	0	0	0
Tendring	3	4	7
Uttlesford	1	1	2
<b>Southend-On-Sea UA</b>	1	0	1
<b>Thurrock UA</b>	1	2	3
<b>Hertfordshire</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>
Broxbourne	0	1	1
Dacorum	0	0	0
East Hertfordshire	1	0	1
Hertsmere	0	0	0
North Hertfordshire	2	1	3
St Albans	0	0	0
Stevenage	0	1	1
Three Rivers	2	0	2
Watford	2	0	2
Welwyn Hatfield	1	0	1
<b>Norfolk</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>39</b>
Breckland	5	0	5
Broadland	4	0	4
Great Yarmouth	2	1	3
King's Lynn And West Norfolk	4	3	7
North Norfolk	12	2	14
Norwich	4	0	4
South Norfolk	1	1	2
<b>Suffolk</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>29</b>
Babergh	2	0	2
Forest Heath	0	0	0
Ipswich	1	0	1
Mid Suffolk	6	1	7

St. Edmundsbury	6	0	6
Suffolk Coastal	5	6	11
Waveney	1	1	2
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>123</b>

**UA = Unitary Authority**

**SMs = Scheduled Monuments**

## B2 Managing Positively

### Planning Trends in the East of England:

- 72,968 **planning applications** were decided in the East of England in 2007/08 (12% of the national total). This is an increase of 8% on the 2001/02 total.
- 4,474 **applications for listed building consent** were decided in 2007/08, an increase of 0.3% on 2001/02.
- 558 **conservation area consent applications** were determined in 2007/08, an increase of 83% on 2001/02.
- 136 **scheduled monument consent decisions** were made in 2007/08, an increase of 45% on 2001/02.
- 113 **planning applications affecting registered parks and gardens** were received by the Garden History Society in 2007/08, an increase of 38% on 2006/07.

Local Planning Authority	Planning applications decided	Listed Building consents	Conservation Area consents	Scheduled Monument consents	Parks and Gardens planning applications		
					Grade I	Grade II*	Grade II
<b>Bedfordshire</b>	<b>6,374</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>
Bedford	1,859	96	8		0	0	0
Mid Bedfordshire	1,799	103	12		9	4	4
South Bedfordshire	1,270	51	4		0	1	0
<b>Luton UA</b>	<b>1,446</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Cambridgeshire</b>	<b>9,201</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>
Cambridge	1,223	91	6		0	3	0
East Cambridgeshire	1,255	72	15		0	0	0
Fenland	1,157	38	12		0	0	0
Huntingdonshire	1,806	149	16		0	0	0
South Cambridgeshire	2,261	166	26		0	0	0
<b>Peterborough UA</b>	<b>1,499</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Essex</b>	<b>20,330</b>	<b>1,140</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
Basildon	1,253	14	0		0	0	0
Braintree	2,209	272	22		0	0	2
Brentwood	1,226	54	5		0	0	0

Castle Point	755	3	1		0	0	0
Chelmsford	2,225	78	8		0	0	2
Colchester	1,889	112	12		0	0	0
Epping Forest	2,148	103	11		0	0	0
Harlow	378	20	0		0	0	0
Maldon	1,126	102	27		0	0	0
Rochford	1,002	31	2		0	0	0
Tendring	1,600	56	10		0	0	0
Uttlesford	1,810	279	21		5	1	1
<b>Southend-On-Sea UA</b>	1,498	10	6	<b>2</b>	0	0	0
<b>Thurrock UA</b>	1,180	0	0	<b>2</b>	0	0	0
<b>Thurrock UDC</b>	31	6	0		0	0	0
<b>Hertfordshire</b>	<b>15,844</b>	<b>827</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>33</b>
Broxbourne	979	22	10		0	0	0
Dacorum	1,916	104	7		0	9	2
East Hertfordshire	2,297	246	36		0	1	28
Hertsmere	1,342	29	12		0	0	1
North Hertfordshire	2,296	246	18		0	1	2
St Albans	2,762	84	69		0	0	0
Stevenage	526	9	3		0	0	0
Three Rivers	1,520	37	34		0	0	0
Watford	910	6	5		0	0	0
Welwyn Hatfield	1,296	44	5		0	0	0
<b>Norfolk</b>	<b>11,110</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>
Breckland	1,798	122	5		0	0	2
Broadland	1,517	54	1		0	0	1
Great Yarmouth	972	20	8		0	0	0
King's Lynn And West Norfolk	2,138	114	11		0	0	0
North Norfolk	1,721	161	10		1	4	0
Norwich	988	101	21		0	0	0
South Norfolk	1,976	244	10		0	1	5
<b>Suffolk</b>	<b>9,869</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>
Babergh	1,607	224	7		0	0	0
Forest Heath	682	36	5		0	0	0

Ipswich	908	43	6		0	0	0
Mid Suffolk	1,799	103	12		0	0	0
St. Edmundsbury	1,402	161	9		0	5	3
Suffolk Coastal	2,043	190	9		0	4	5
Waveney	1,428	92	13		0	0	3
Broads Authority National Park	240	13	3	0	0	0	0
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>72,968</b>	<b>4,474</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>61</b>

**UA = Unitary Authority**

**UDC = Urban Development Corporation**

**NB:** For planning applications, listed building consents, conservation area consents, and parks and gardens the county totals include those of unitary authorities within the county boundary. For scheduled monuments, the county total excludes unitary authorities within their area and these totals are shown separately.

## Historic Landscape Characterisation

<i>Italics = HLC mapped area estimated because in progress or not started</i>	Area (sq. km.)	Total pop (thousands)	Area of HLC mapped	Area not done	2008 % area done	2007 % area done	pop covered pro rate for UA,CC	% pop living in areas covered	2002 area mapped	2002 % area done
United Kingdom	242,515	59,835								
England	130,281	50,094	98,928	31,358	<b>76</b>	<b>72</b>	29,600	<b>59</b>	47,016	<b>36</b>
East	19,110	5,491	18,572		<b>97</b>	<b>88</b>	5,410	99	10,349	<b>54</b>
Luton UA	43	184	43	0	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	184	100	43	
Peterborough UA	343	159	343	0	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	159	100	0	
Southend-on-Sea UA	42	160	42	0	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	160	100	42	
Thurrock UA	163	146	163	0	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	146	100	163	
Bedfordshire County	1,192	392	1,192	0	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	392	100	1,192	
Cambridgeshire County	3,046	579	3,046	0	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	579	100	0	
Essex County	3,465	1,330	3,465	0	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	1330	100	3,465	
Hertfordshire	1,643	1,041	1,643	0	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	1041	100	1,643	
Norfolk	5,371	817	4,834	537	<b>90</b>	<b>56</b>	735	90	0	
Suffolk	3,801	684	3,801	0	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	684	100	3,801	

### B3 Capacity and resources

- English Heritage East of England grants, 2007/08:**  
 Places of worship = £3.406 million (joint grant scheme with the Heritage Lottery Fund)  
 Secular buildings and monuments = £0.684 million  
 Area grants = £0.150 million  
 Other grants = £0.098 million  
 Cathedrals = £0.167 million  
**Total regional grants = £4.505 million**
- In the East of England, the **Heritage Lottery Fund** (HLF) awarded 2,892 grants between 1994 and 2008 to the value of £271 million.
- In 2007/08, the **HLF** made 248 grants totalling £28,157,579.

<b>Heritage Lottery Fund East of England 1994/95–2007/08</b>	<b>No. of awards</b>	<b>Value of awards (£)</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	3,147	271,653,696

<b>Heritage Sector</b>	<b>No. of awards</b>	<b>Value of awards (£)</b>
Historic buildings and monuments	827	77,120,920
Industrial maritime and transport	68	27,219,291
Intangible heritage*	1,736	14,285,101
Land and biodiversity**	232	62,794,548
Museums libraries archives and collections	283	90,233,836
<b>East of England Grand Total</b>	3,147	271,653,696

\* For example, oral history, language heritage and cultural traditions; includes Awards for All awards

\*\* Land and Biodiversity: includes parks

\*\*\* Some projects are multi-sectoral. E.g. a railway museum project might be classified as both Industrial Maritime & Transport, and as a Museum. In such cases the figures are divided equally between the categories.

<b>Grant Size Band</b>	<b>No. of awards</b>	<b>Value of awards (£)</b>
Up to and including £50,000	2,523	29,514,350
£50,001 - £999,999	555	95,532,037
£1,000,000 - £4,999,999	58	77,841,820
£5,000,000 and over	11	68,765,489
<b>East of England Grand Total</b>	<b>3,147</b>	<b>271,653,696</b>

<b>Grant Programme</b>	<b>No. of awards</b>	<b>Value of awards (£)</b>
Awards for All	1,373	3,779,115
Collecting Cultures	0	0
Heritage Grants	465	180,228,970
Joint Places of Worship	29	1,569,116
Landscape Partnership	0	0
Local Heritage Initiative	204	3,328,671
Major Museums Archives and Libraries Programme	3	19,649,560
Museums and Galleries Access Fund	6	525,700
Millennium Festival Community Award	15	385,130
Parks Programmes	59	28,533,055
Project Planning Grants	43	1,404,700
Repair Grants for Places of Worship	549	10,270,011
Townscape Heritage Initiative and Conservation Area Partnership Scheme	36	7,421,820
Tomorrow's Heathland Heritage	5	1,839,108
Young Roots	80	1,772,200
Your Heritage	280	10,946,540
<b>East of England Grand Total</b>	<b>3,147</b>	<b>271,653,696</b>

<b>APPLICATIONS AND AWARDS BY FINANCIAL YEAR</b>	<b>value (£)</b>	<b>number of awards</b>
1994-95	13,253,929	1
1995-96	9,910,574	31
1996-97	34,547,320	57
1997-98	23,371,778	113
1998-99	19,612,472	84
1999-00	17,909,113	147
2000-01	14,999,859	182
2001-02	31,711,750	250
2002-03	9,108,642	343
2003-04	15,309,622	333
2004-05	20,598,428	459
2005-06	18,867,315	638
2006-07	14,295,315	261
2007-08	28,157,579	248
<b>Total</b>	<b>271,653,696</b>	<b>3,147</b>

- **Historic Environment Champions** provide leadership for heritage issues within their local authority. As of 15<sup>th</sup> August 2008, there were 36 champions in the East of England, including 34 member champions, representing 32 of the 54 local authorities or 59% of the local authorities in the region. This is an increase of 14 from the July 2007 figure. Information on training and support for Champions can be found at [www.helm.org.uk](http://www.helm.org.uk).

<b>Region (No. of authorities</b>	<b>Number of authorities with Champions as of 31 March 2008</b>	<b>Percentage of authorities with a Champion as of 31 March 2008</b>
East Midlands (45)	29	64%
East of England (54)	31	57%
London (33)	30	91%
North East (25)	23	92%
North West (46)	29	63%
South East (74)	55	74%
South West (50)	38	76%
West Midlands (38)	24	63%
Yorkshire and Humber (22)	12	54%
<b>TOTAL (387)</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>70%</b>

- The **Buildings Bursary Scheme** is an HLF funded partnership between English Heritage, the National Trust, Cadw, ConstructionSkills, and the National Heritage training Group. The programme delivers work-based training in traditional building skills and is running until 2010. In the period July 2007 to July 2008 there were seven placements in the East of England worth £50,000.

	Number of bursary placements	Total amount of bursary funding per region	Male to female ratio of appointees	Ages of appointees	Building skills recruited for
<b>EE</b>	7	£50,000	7 x Male	4 x 20-30 2 x 40-50 1 x 50-60	2 x Brickwork 3 x Plastering 1 x Joinery 1 x Thatching

- The National Heritage Training Group published an updated skills report in April 2008. Their survey reported that in the East of England that carpenters, plasterers and stonemasons were difficult to recruit. 46% reported difficulties due to lack of skills and 36% due to lack of skills and lack of applicants.  
[http://www.constructionskills.net/research/researchactivity/nationalandregionalreports/2008\\_review.asp#TopOfPage](http://www.constructionskills.net/research/researchactivity/nationalandregionalreports/2008_review.asp#TopOfPage)
- In January 2008 the Museums Libraries and Archives Council East of England published a report *Traditional Skills – a way forward*. This supported the position that historic building skills were disappearing and not being passed on or supported by training.  
<http://www.mlaeastofengland.org.uk/knowledge-bank/document-library>
- The Office for National Statistics Annual Business Inquiry Employee Analysis recorded in 2008 those people working in Museum activities and preservation of historical sites and buildings. 2,196 people were working in this area.

	Full Time	Part Time	Total
<b>Male</b>	607	325	932
<b>Female</b>	445	819	1,264
<b>Total</b>	1,052	1,144	<b>2,196</b>

## C Using and Benefiting

### C1 Participation

- The Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) has commissioned Taking Part, a major national survey to measure public participation in all forms of cultural activity, including attending heritage sites. Based on the survey for the data from 2005 - 2007, about **73% of adults had attended at least one historic environment site in the East of England** during the past 12 months. This is one of the highest participation rates in England. The table below provides a more detailed breakdown of the results from the Taking Part survey in the East of England:

Attendance to at least one historic environment site by priority group during the past 12 months (2005 – 2007)		
	Percentage	Range (%)
All adults	72.5	70.1-74.8
Black and minority ethnic	59.5	53.4-65.6
Limiting disability/illness	62.9	54.4-66.4
Lower socio-economic group	61.7	59.0-64.4

The key to interpreting the results of the Taking Part survey is to understand that, as a sample survey, each figure quoted is an estimate which is subject to sampling error and thus has a statistical confidence interval attached to it. Each result reported above includes the range that is suggested by the 95% confidence interval. So when it is reported that 72.5% of all adults attended a designated historic environment site during the past 12 months, what this actually means is that we can be 95% confident that somewhere between 70.1% and 74.8% of all adults attended.

- 93% of people surveyed in the East of England for the Taking Part survey agreed or strongly agreed with the statement that it was important to save historic features.
- 73.5% of people surveyed in the East of England for the Taking Part survey agreed or strongly agreed that they were interested in the history of the place where they live.
- In 2007/08, **English Heritage** had 642,000 members nationally. Around 13% of these were in the East of England, which would equate to about 83,500 members in the region.
- In February 2008, there were 351,514 **National Trust** members in the region and 5,735 volunteers.
- In 2007, there were 1,943 Friends of the **Historic Houses Association** in the region.

## **C2 Economic Benefits**

- There were 832,916 visits made to the sites of members belonging to the **Historic Houses Association** in 2007.
- There were 1,072,221 visits made to **National Trust** sites in 2007/08.
- There were approximately 300,000 visits made to **English Heritage** sites in 2007/08. Audley End House, Framlingham Castle, Tilbury Fort, and Orford Castle were the most popular sites in the region.

## **C3 Education and Lifelong Learning**

- In the East of England, **15,460 free educational visits were made to English Heritage sites in 2007/08**. Educational visits are made by schools and also by higher education institutions and groups of young and adult informal learners.
- There were **47,172 educational visitors to National Trust properties** in the region in 2007/08, the fourth highest of all the English regions. Of these educational visitors, 32,545 visitors had free entry as they were covered by a National Trust Education Group Membership.
- The **Historic Houses Association** Education survey 2007 estimates that there were over 100,000 educational visitors to member's properties.

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