

Nationally designated areas for public access (vector data) - May 2024

The European inventory of Nationally designated areas holds information about protected designated areas and their designation types, which directly or indirectly create protected areas. The Nationally designated areas' dataset is the official source of protected area information from the 38 European countries*, members of the Eionet, to the World Database of Protected Areas (WDPA).

This metadata refers to the public version of the Nationally designate areas dataset version 22 (2024). The EEA does not have permission to distribute some or all sites reported by Estonia, Ireland and Türkiye. The internal version of this dataset "Nationally designated areas for internal use - version 22, Jun. 2024", from which this dataset is derived, contains all designated areas and its access is restricted.

Two versions of the public dataset are provided. The full dataset ("NatDA_2024_v01_public") includes the entire geographical coverage including nationally designated areas in overseas entities. The "NatDA_2024_v01_public_EuropeEPSG3035" version includes only continental Europe, i.e. excludes the overseas entities. Both versions are provided in GPKG formats.

The dataset is accompanied by the following tabular data: NatDA_2024_v01_public_DesignatedArea.csv, which includes information on the nationally designated sites and designated boundaries for public dissemination; and NatDA_2024_v01_public_DesignationType.csv, which contains information about designation types and the national and international legislative instruments, which directly or indirectly create protected designated areas in Europe.

* Including Kosovo (UNSCR 1244/99), which designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

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Status	Superseded				
Point of contact	Organisation		Electronic mail address	: Website	Role
	European Environment Agency		sdi@eea. europa.eu	http://www eea. europa.eu	Point of contact
	European Environment Agency		sdi@eea. europa.eu		Custodian
Spatial representation type	Vector				
Spatial resolution					
Equivalent scale					
Denominator	100000				
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Topic category

Environment

Extent





Extent

Temporal extent

Time period	2023-03-16 2024-03-15
Maintenance and update frequency	Annually
EEA topics	Land use Biodiversity
GEMET - INSPIRE themes, version 1.0	• Protected sites
Continents, countries, sea regions of the world.	EEA38 (from 2020) French Southern and Antarctic Lands EFTA4
GEMET	protected area natural area natural areas protection
Spatial scope	European
INSPIRE priority data set	EEA Annual Work Programme Nationally designated areas - CDDA
Reporting obligations	Nationally designated areas (NatDA)
EEA Management Plan	• 2024 1.1.4
Resource constraints	

Access constraints	Other restrictions
Other constraints	no limitations to public access

Resource constraints

Use constraints	Other restrictions
Other constraints	License CC-BY 4.0 (https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/). Copyright holder: European Environment Agency (EEA); Estonian Environmental Register 01.01.2021; Land Burgenland, Land Kärnten, Land Niederösterreich, Land Oberösterreich, Land Salzburg, Land Steiermark, Land Tirol, Land Vorarlberg, Stadt Wien aggregated by Austrian Environment Agency.

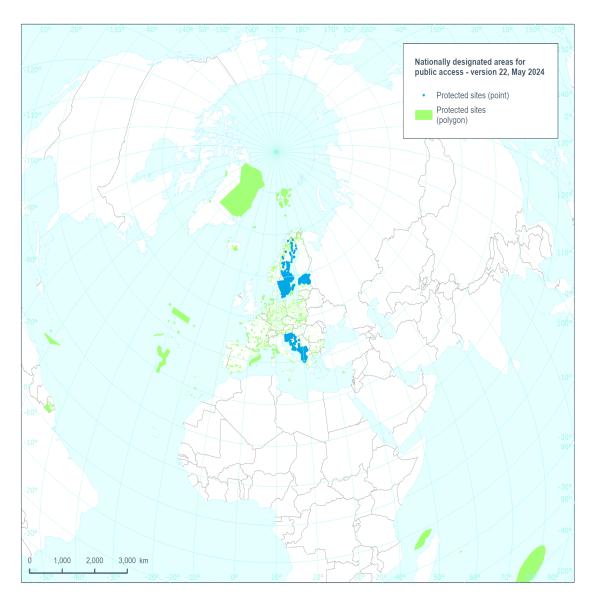
Associated resource

Metadata Reference	Nationally designated areas (CDDA) for public access - version 19, Jun. 2021
Associated resource	
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Association Type	Cross reference
Metadata Reference	Nationally designated areas for public access (tabular data) - version 21, Jun. 2023
Language	English
Additional Information	The inventory began in 1995 under the CORINE programme of the European Commission. The NatDA is now an agreed annual Eionet core data flow maintained by the European Environment Agency (EEA) with support from the European Topic Centre on Data Integration and Digitalisation (ETC DI). The dataset is used by the EEA and e.g. the UNEP-WCMC for their main European and global assessments, products and services. The data can be queried online in the European Nature Information System (EUNIS).
Distribution Information	
Distribution format	Geopackage
	• GDB
OnLine resource	GPKG and GDB format
OnLine resource	Direct download
OnLine resource	File including table and field definitions
OnLine resource	https://bio.discomap.eea.europa.eu/arcgis/rest/services/ProtectedSites/NatDAv22_Dyna_WM/MapServer
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OnLine resource	European protected sites
	web map
OnLine resource	
Data quality info	
Hierarchy level	Dataset
Report	
Result	

	Commission Regulation (EU) No 1089/2010 of 23 November 2010 implementing Directive 2007/2/EC of to the Council as regards interoperability of spatial data sets and services	he European F	Parliament and
Date (Publication)	2010-12-08		
Explanation	See the referenced specification		
Resource lineage			
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Statement	The data sources for this dataset are data deliveries from the Eionet, the partnership network of the EEA cooperating countries. In EU Member States the implementation of INSPIRE Directive may mean that the provided via the national or sub-national INSPIRE data providers.		
	The reference data used in the validation process is the EBM 2020, Jan. 2020 (https://sdi.eea.europa.eursearch#/metadata/3275ecdb-a6c5-4ffe-875f-c0b2bfcc5786).	/catalogue/srv/	eng/catalog.
	The dataset is accompanied with a series of files and documents for download: NatDA_2024_v01_public includes information on the nationally designated sites and designated boundaries for public disseminatio NatDA_2024_v01_public_DesignationType.csv, which contains information about designation types and regislative instruments, which directly or indirectly create protected designated areas in Europe.	n;	
Hierarchy level	Dataset		
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Resource type	Dataset		
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Overviews



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