



Icelandic forests and other wooded land

This metadata refer to the forest and other wooded land for the whole of Iceland and for municipalities, as produced from national surveys and data collection. It includes the distribution of cultivated forests and natural birch forests. Cultivated forests are mapped every year. Data on each year's plantings are placed in a harmonised database where various information is recorded. Natural birch was produced from a survey of natural birch across Iceland carried out from 2010 to 2014 by employees of the Forestry of the State. The map distinguishes between birch scrub and birch forest, i.e. what the birch looks like when full growth is reached. The definition of birch forest assumes that the average height of a mapped plot reaches two metres of maturity, while the average height of birch scrub is lower than two metres of maturity.

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Continents, countries, sea regions of the world.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Iceland
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EEA Management Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Forests and forestry
EEA topics	Other restrictions
Access constraints	no limitations to public access
Other constraints	Other restrictions

Use constraints	<p>The data is freely available for use, and it is allowed to reuse the data for profit purposes, such as for geographical analysis or map processing. It is not permitted to sell the base data to third parties unless an agreement to that effect is made with the Forestry of the State.</p> <p>When data on natural birch areas in Iceland is used, the following text must be included: "Based on data from the Forestry of the State - Research Station of Forestry, Mógilsá." This is in accordance with the terms of free data from the National Land Survey of Iceland</p>
Other constraints	
Spatial representation type	Vector
Distance	100 km
Language of dataset	English
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Hierarchy level	Dataset
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Conformance result

Title	Commission Regulation (EU) No 1089/2010 of 23 November 2010 implementing Directive 2007/2/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards interoperability of spatial data sets and services
Date (Publication)	2010-12-08
Explanation	See the referenced specification
Statement	The FAO international definition was used for birch mapping: http://www.fao.org/docrep/005/y4171e/y4171e10.htm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimum mapping unit: 0.5 ha Minimum crown cover within a mapping unit: 10% crown cover

• Separation between birch thicket and birch forest is 2 m.

Distribution and boundaries of cultivated forests for the whole country has been mapped since 2017 and is now completed. New afforested areas are mapped with GPS tracks and added to the database. The dataset for natural birch woodlands was created by mapping all natural birch forests and shrubs in Iceland in 2010-2014. It was done manually in field by drawing birch boundaries on aerial photos and satellites images. All attributes were registered in the field.

Attributes:

-> Tree cover type

--> Forest:

---> Forest reaching 5 m or more at maturity

----> Cultivated forest (plantations and natural regeneration of plantations)

----> Natural birch forest (virgin natural birch (*Betula pubescens*))

---> Other wooded land:

----> Woodland of natural birch reaching 2-5 m at maturity

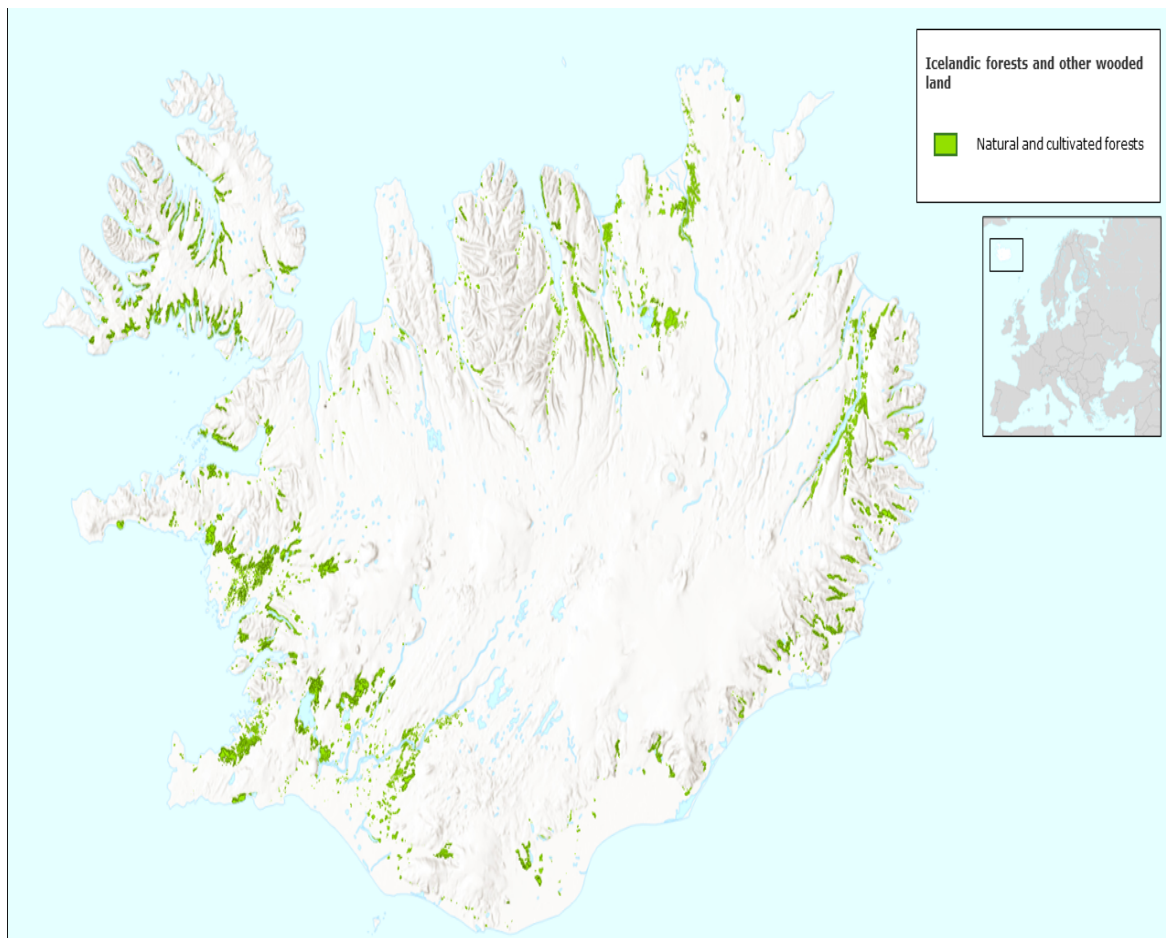
----> Shrubland of natural birch not reaching 2 m at maturity

Further definitions can be found in the link section

Metadata

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