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# A COMPENDIUM OF SPATIAL MAPS FOR ENGLAND

SPATIAL EXPRESSION OF  
GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND  
PROGRAMMES



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## INTRODUCTION

The maps presented in this compendium were either directly extracted from the policy documents and websites of Government Departments and their agencies /NDPBs or compiled by the Centre for Urban Policy Studies (CUPS) research team with statistics provided in these documents or elsewhere in the public domain. Four overarching section headings are used to organise the maps:

- **Supra Context:** they provide some significant strategic contexts for the interpretation of cross-cutting planning issues that shape policy analysis and actions (they are marked with purple background in the source field).
- **Context:** contextual maps set out the wider background by illustrating the current spatial patterns and trends of development to aid interpretation of government policies and action (marked with black background).
- **Future:** maps that provide a longer term horizon of planning issues to allow analysis and assessment of proposed policies and actions (marked with green background).
- **Policy and Programme:** maps showing the government's recent, existing or proposed policies and programmes (marked with blue background).

The 'Policy and Programme' maps are presented thematically according to the policy priorities set out in the draft NPPF under the broad headings of 'Planning for prosperity', 'Planning for people' and 'Planning for places', which tend to place respective emphasis on economic, social and environmental issues though not exclusively (see Table 1). When maps for a particular issue (e.g. town centres and poor broadband provisions) could not be found from any policy documents, maps specifically compiled by the CUPS team are inserted to illustrate their clear spatial consequences and outcomes (such maps are marked with orange in the source field).

The use of the policy priority headings in the NPPF is purely for pragmatic reasons. There are arguably alternative or even more robust ways to classify planning issues to articulate different policy concepts and concerns. For instance, issues such as transport and infrastructure are cross-cutting ones and should not just be restricted within the box of 'planning for prosperity'. Likewise, green belt and green space designation can be logically viewed as issues under 'planning for places' as well. However, any classification scheme is not perfect and we just use 'Planning for prosperity', 'Planning for people' and 'Planning for places' here to organise the presentation of the spatial maps.

**Table 1 Key spatial planning issues in the draft NPPF**

**Planning for prosperity (economic emphasis)**

- Business and economic development
- Town centres
- Rural economy
- Transport
- Communications Infrastructure
- Minerals (no map due to data purchase cost)

**Planning for people (social emphasis)**

- Housing
- Design of the Built Environment (no map due to its aspatial character)
- Sustainable communities
- Green space designation
- Green belt

**Planning for Places (environmental emphasis)**

- Climate change
- Access to the coast
- Natural environment
- Biodiversity
- Noise and light pollution (no map available)
- Historic environment

# SUPRA CONTEXT

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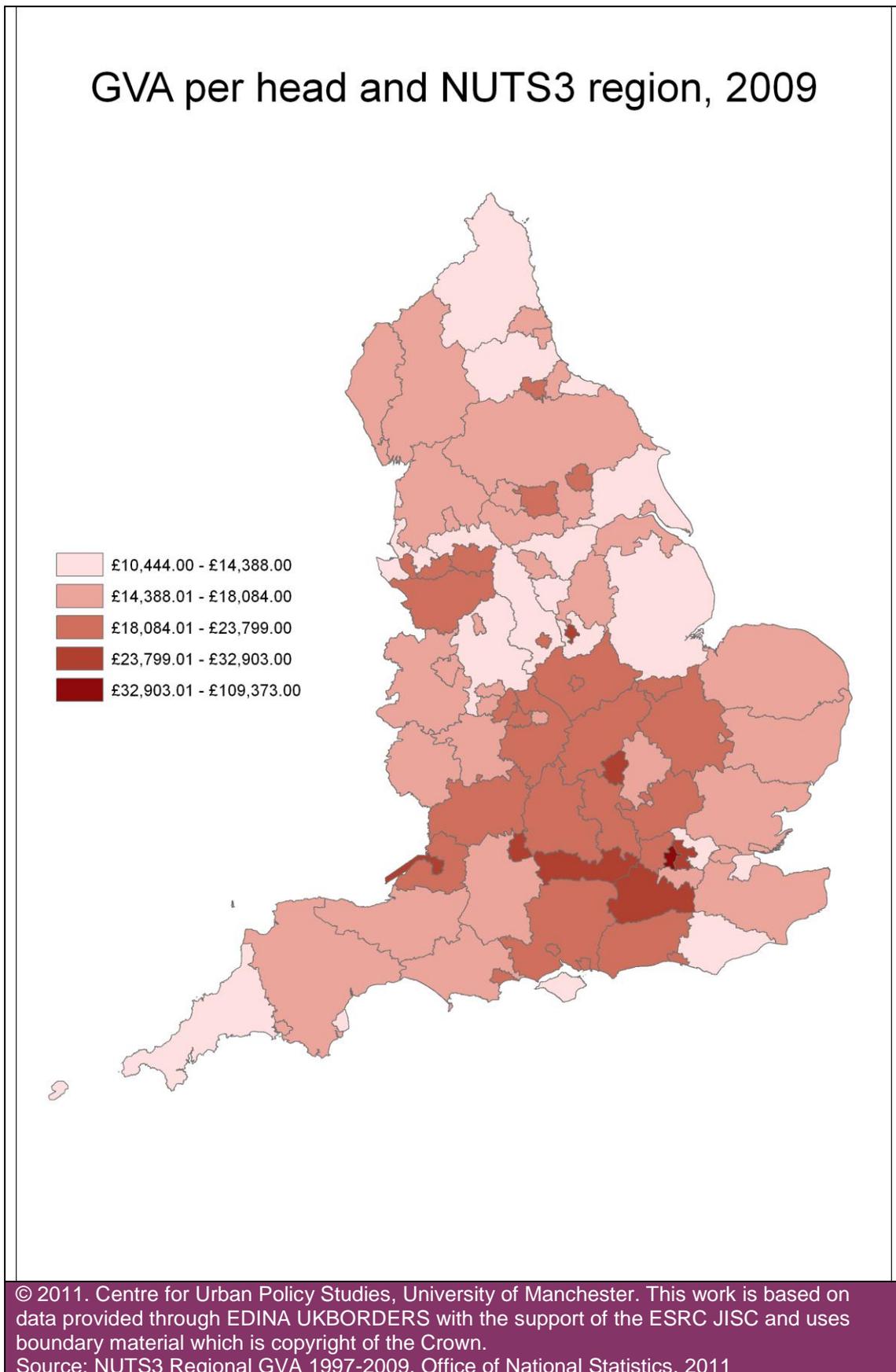


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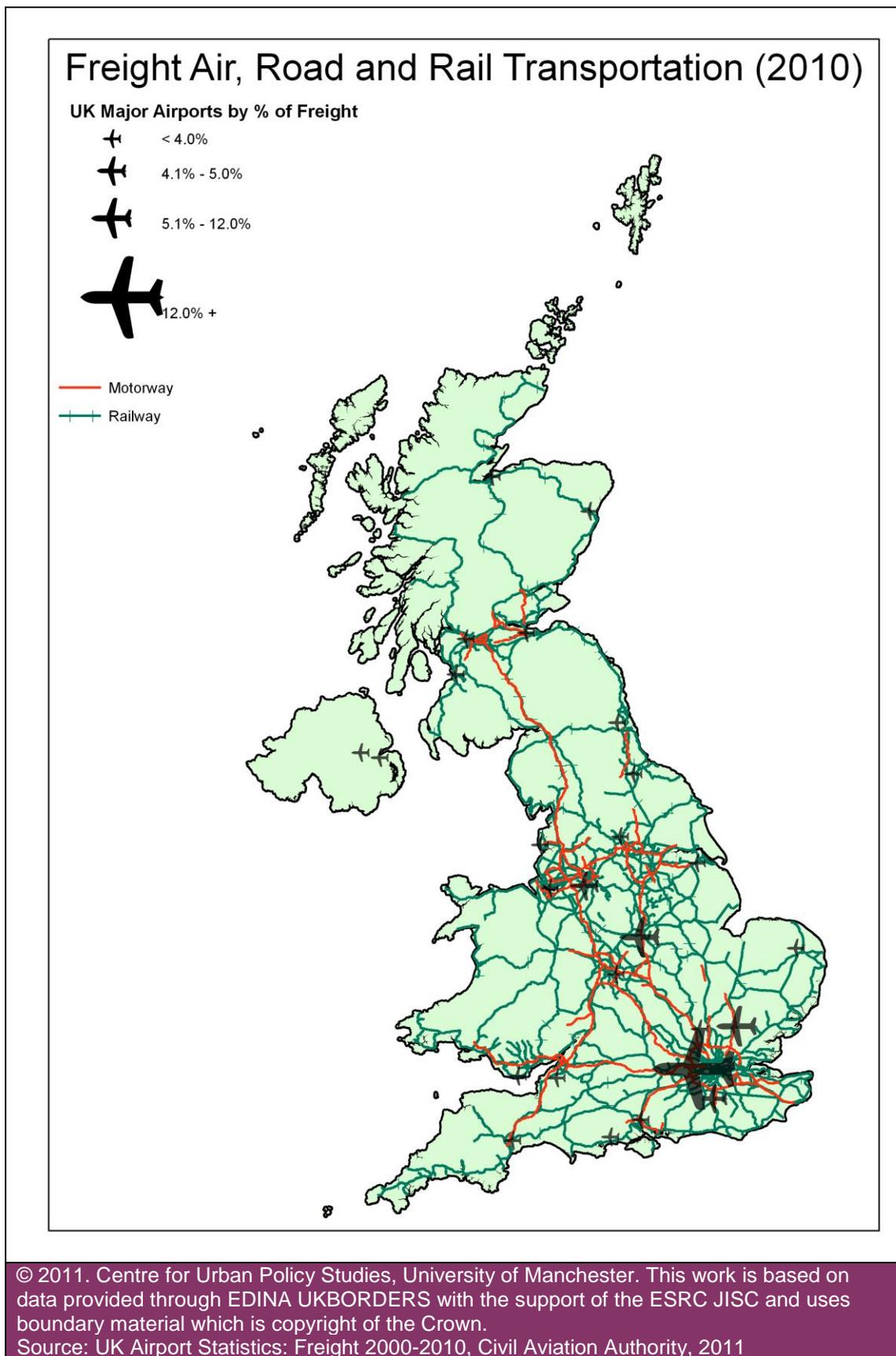


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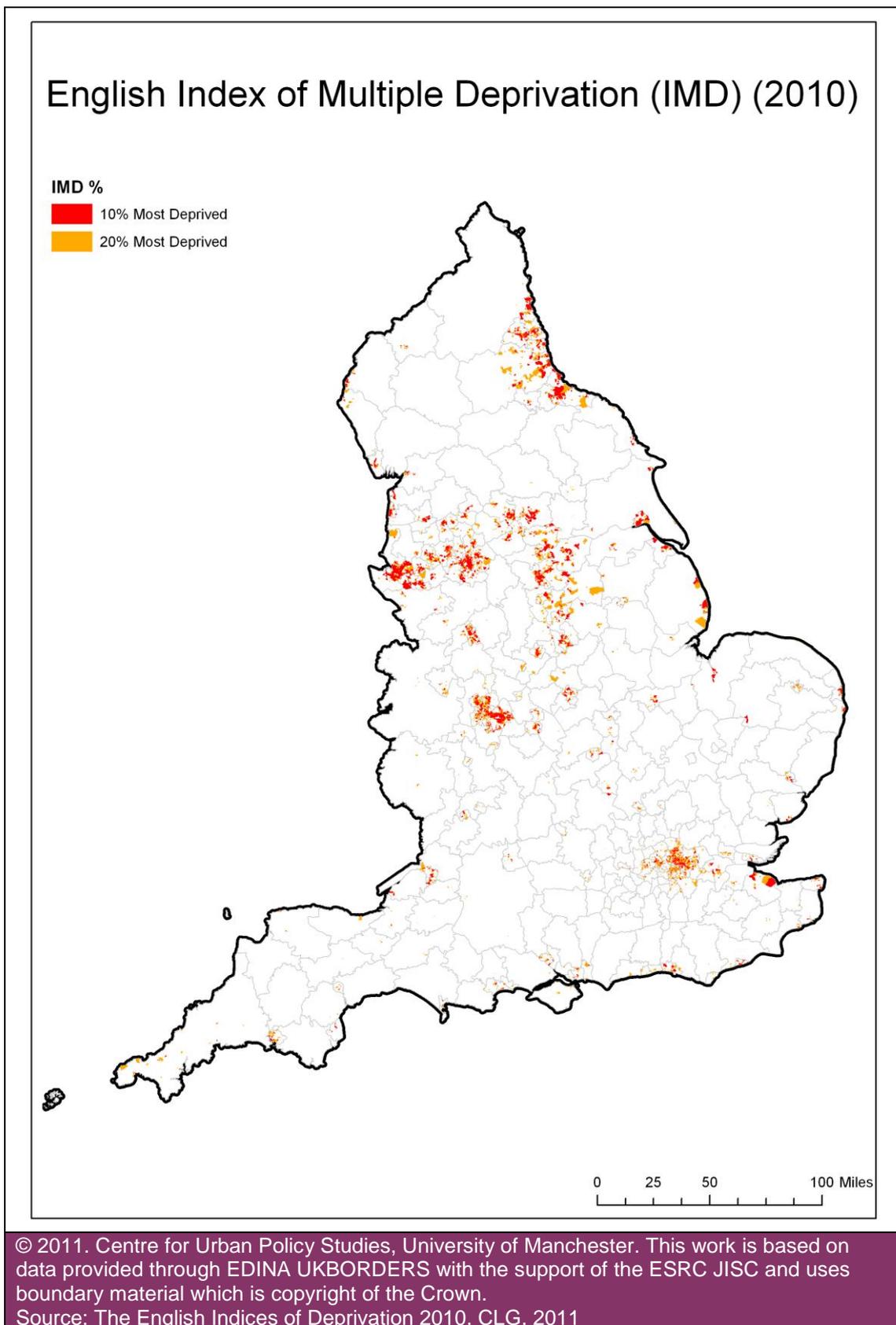
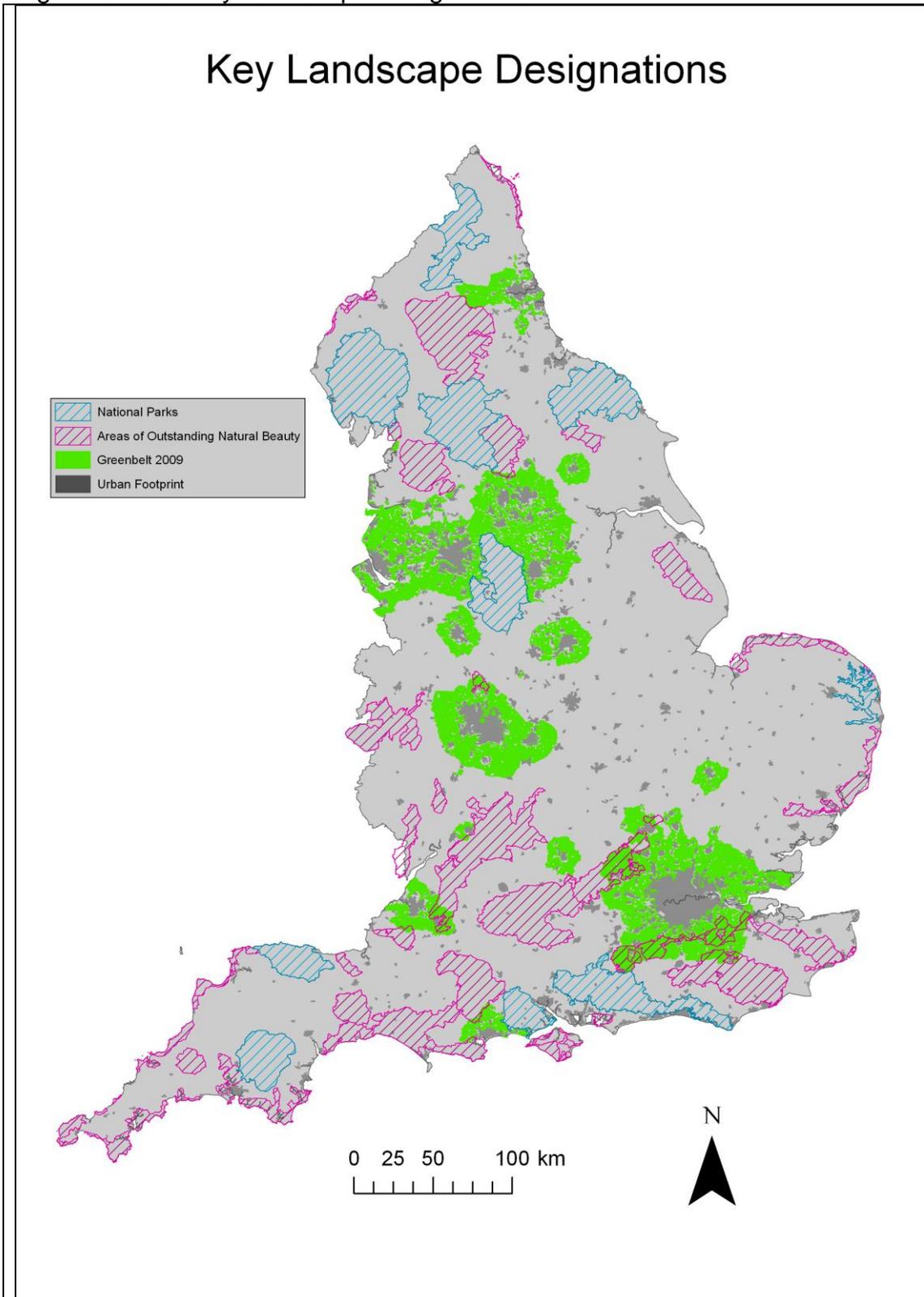


Figure SP-1.3: Key Landscape Designations



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Source: NP/AONB – Natural England GIS Digital Boundary Datasets <http://www.gis.naturalengland.org.uk/>, Greenbelt – MAGIC Defra <http://magic.defra.gov.uk/>, Urban Footprint – EDINA UK Borders

**CONTEXT (1):**  
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Prosperity*

Figure C-1.0: Unemployment Rate (1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2011)

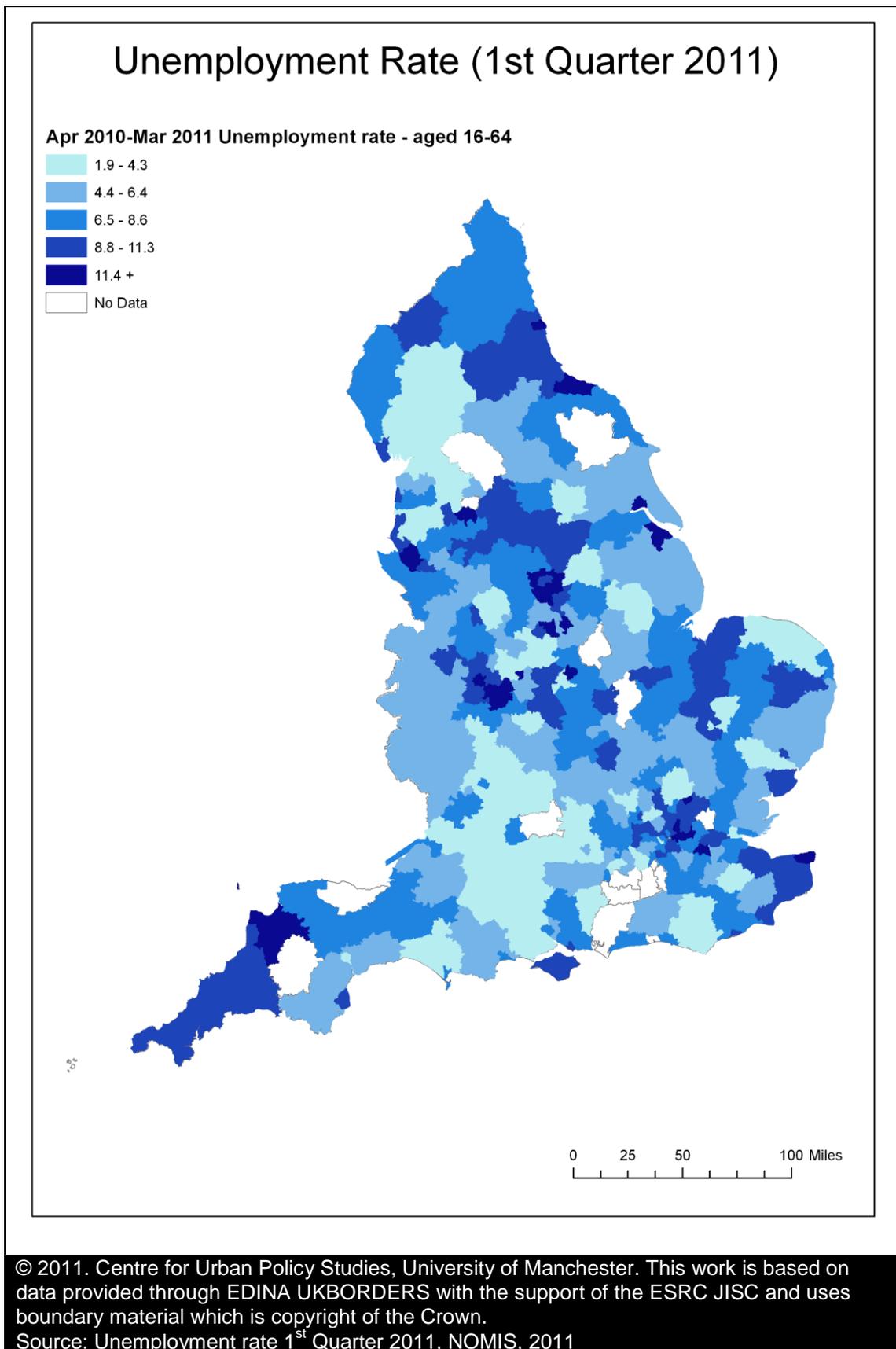


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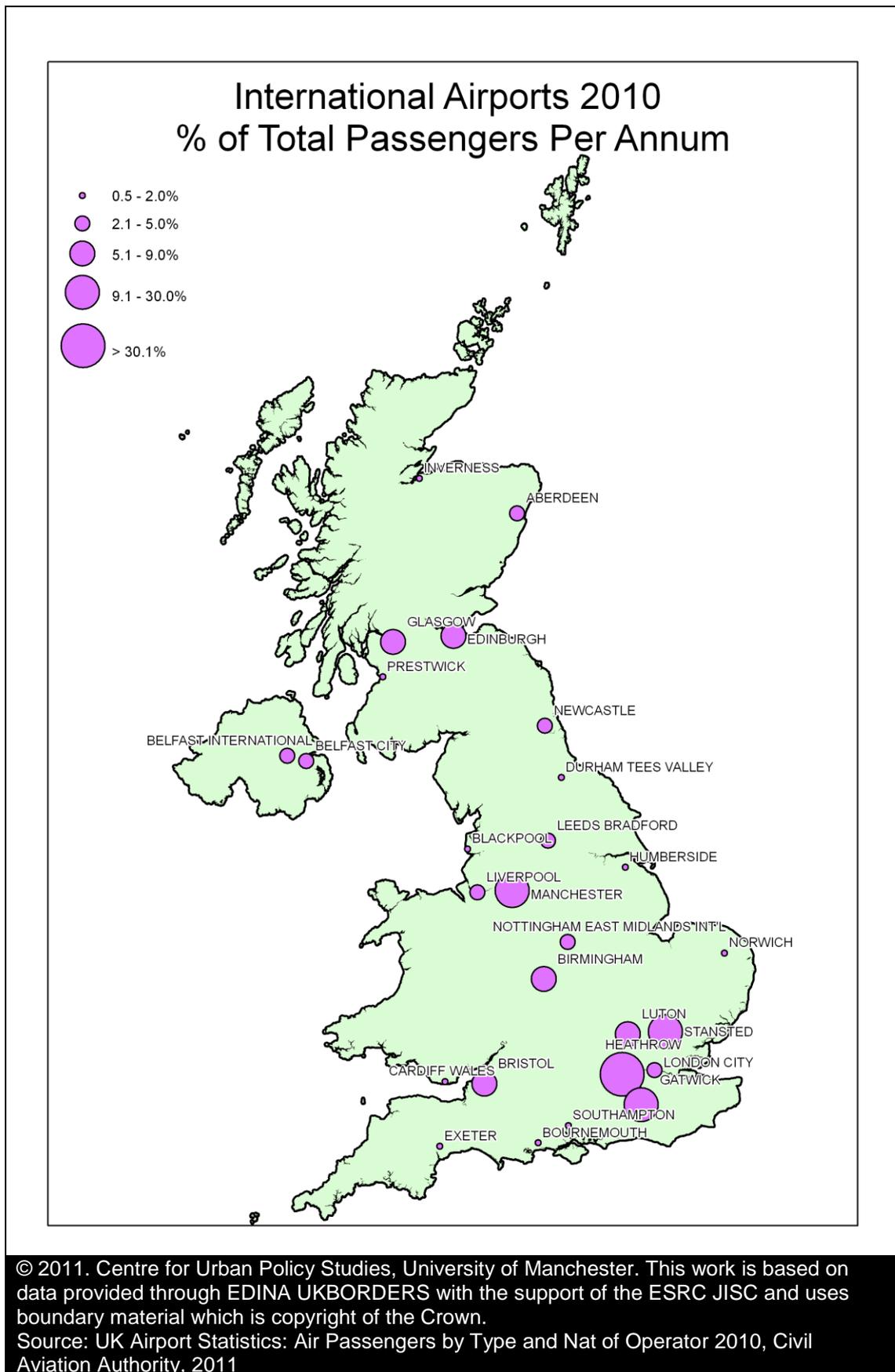


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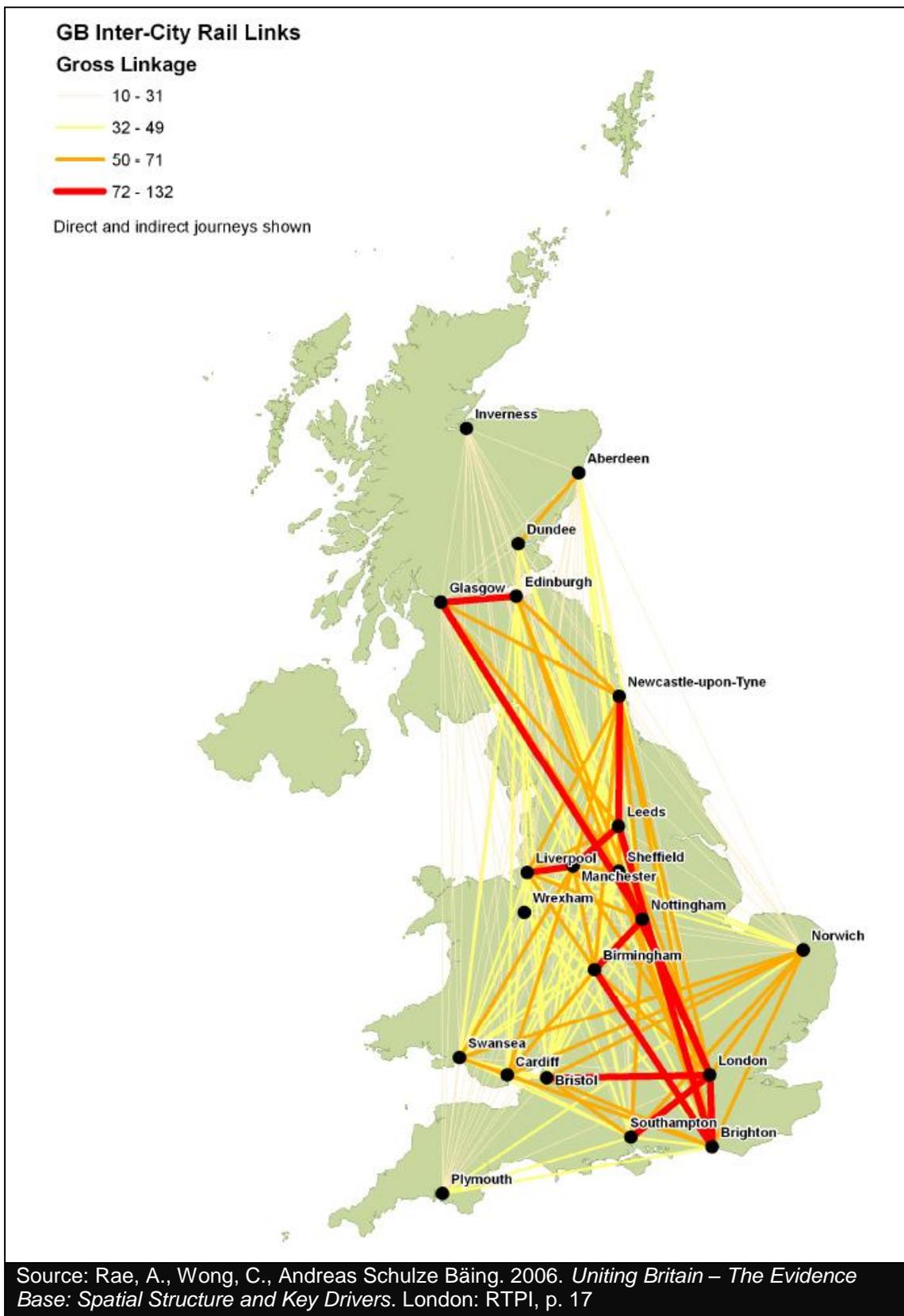


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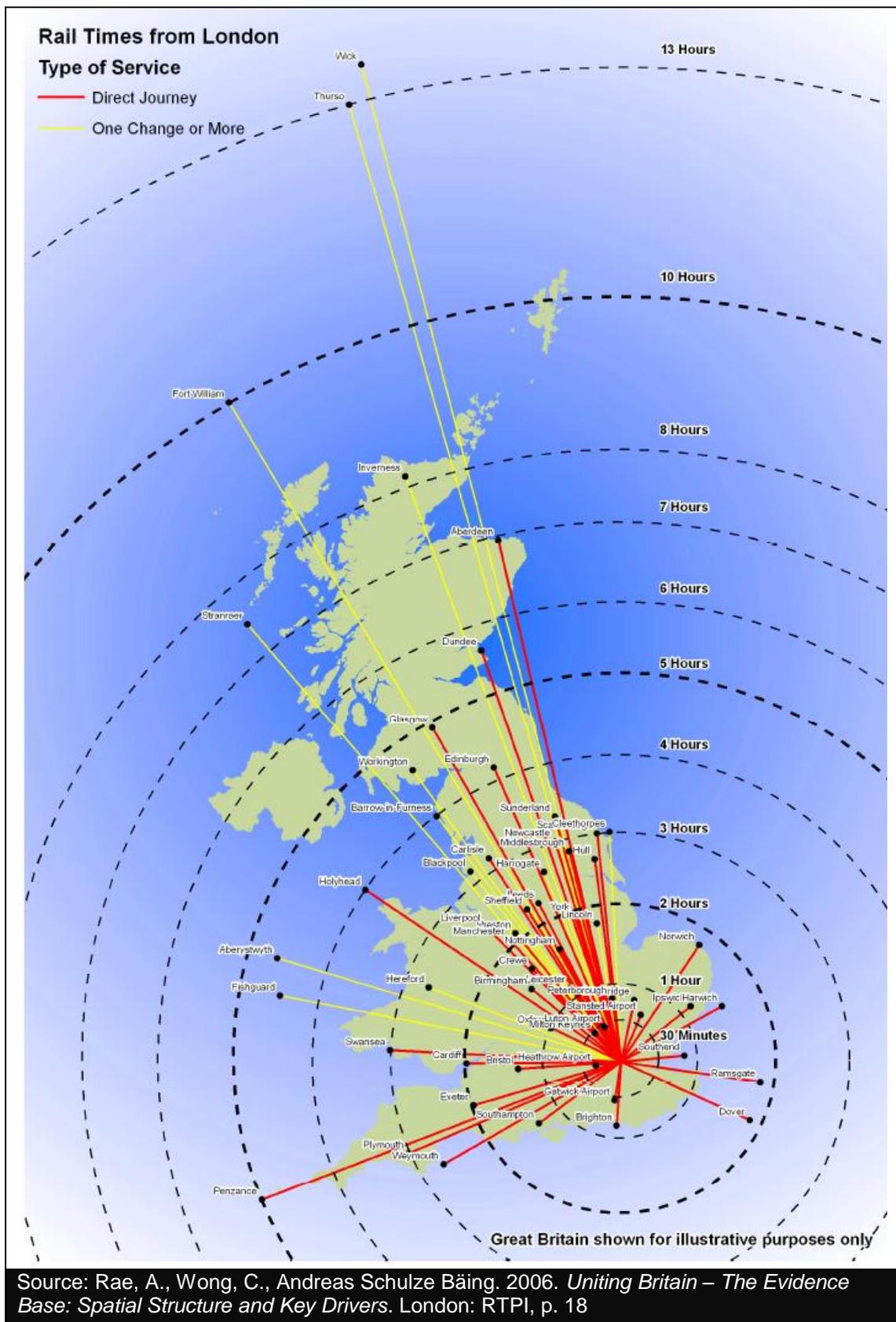


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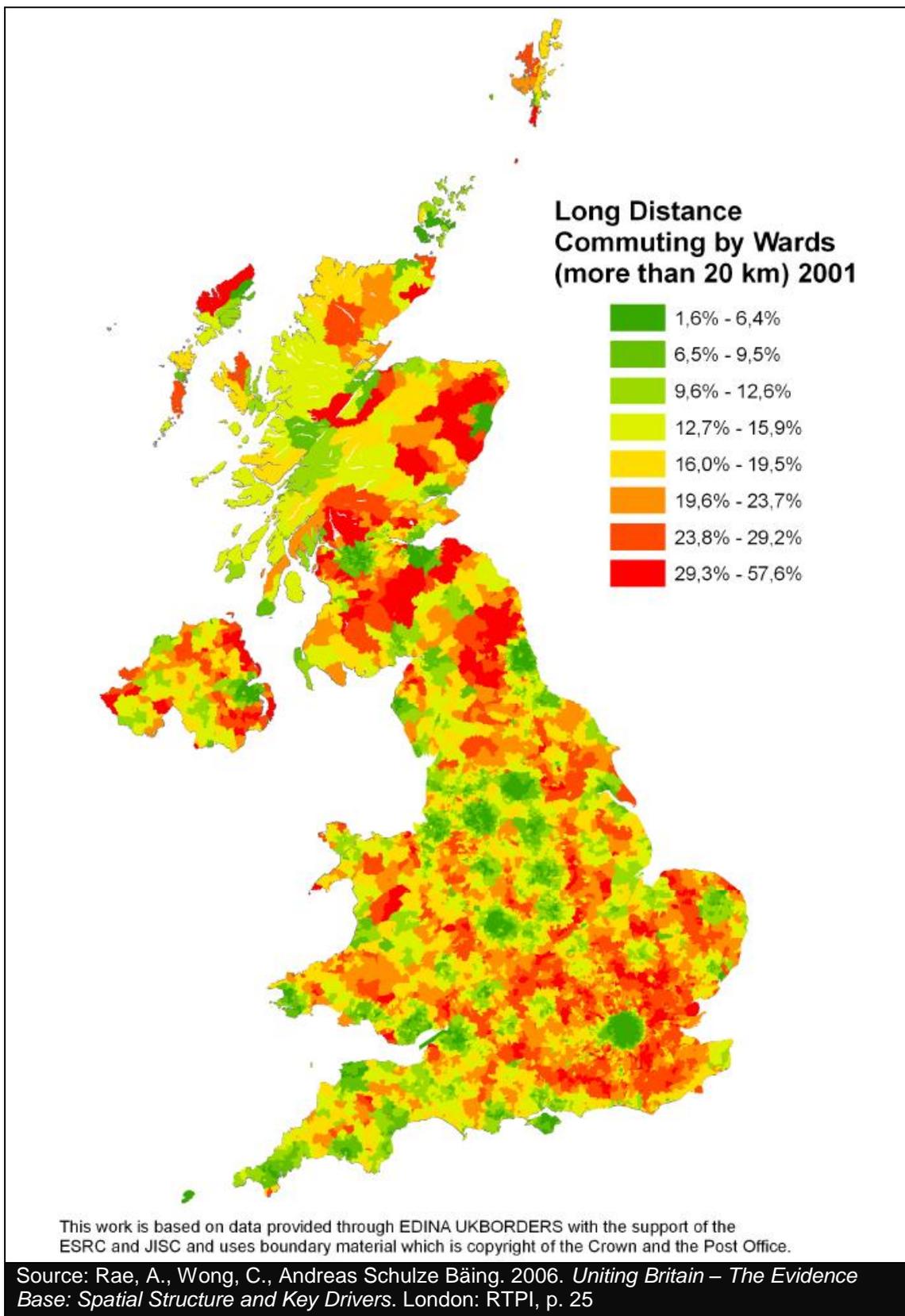
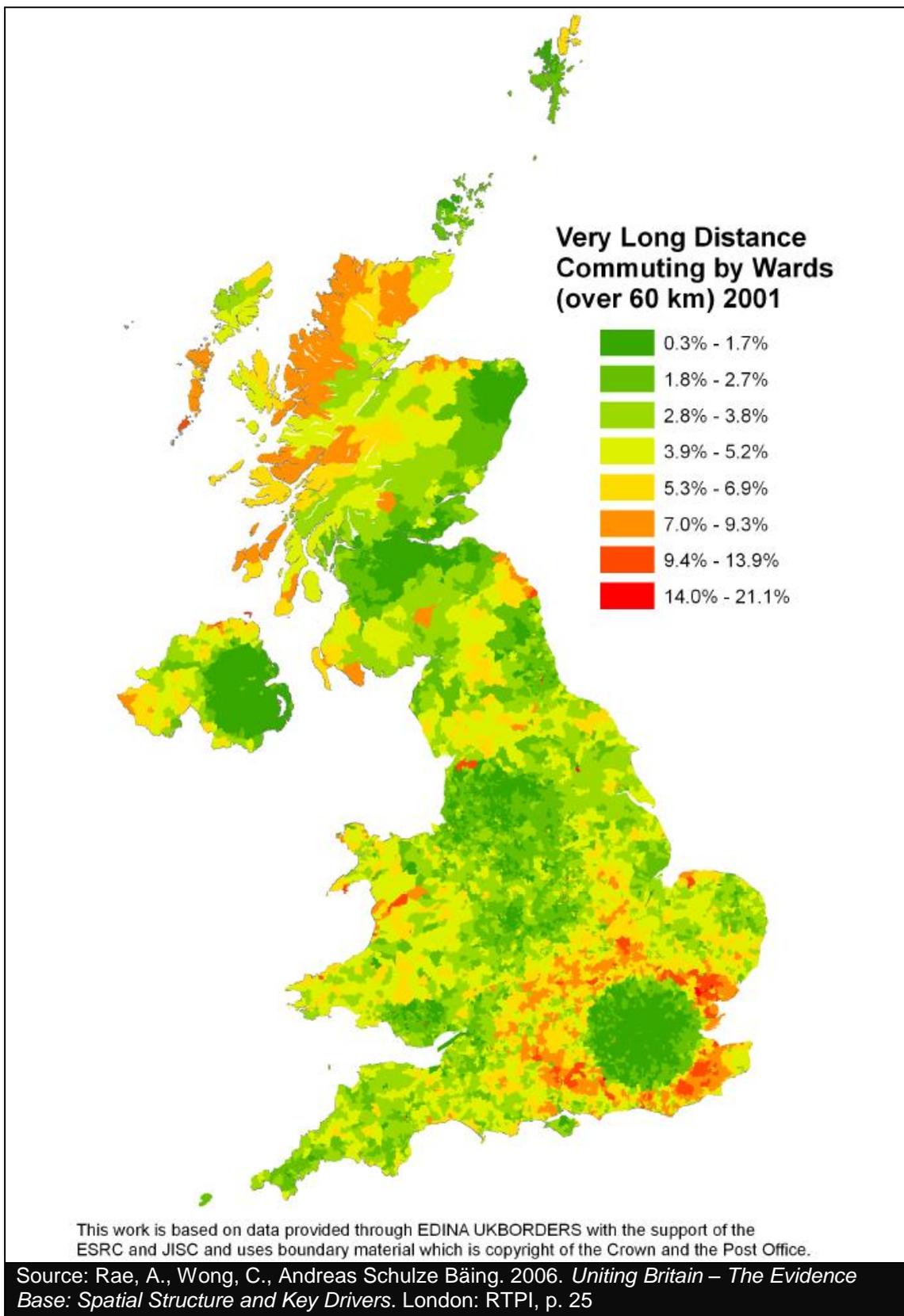


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*Planning for  
People*

Figure C-2.0: Location Quotient House Price to Earnings

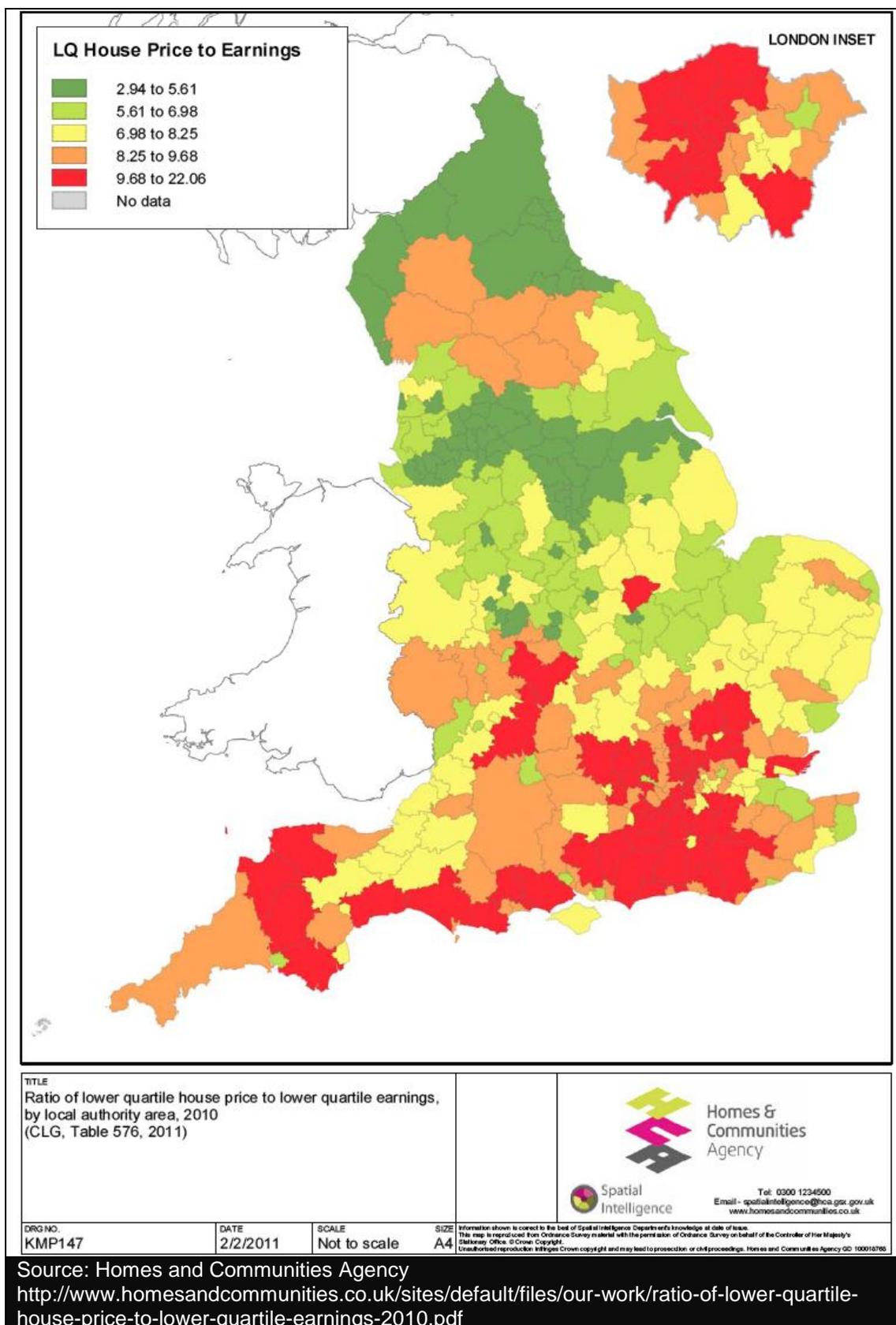


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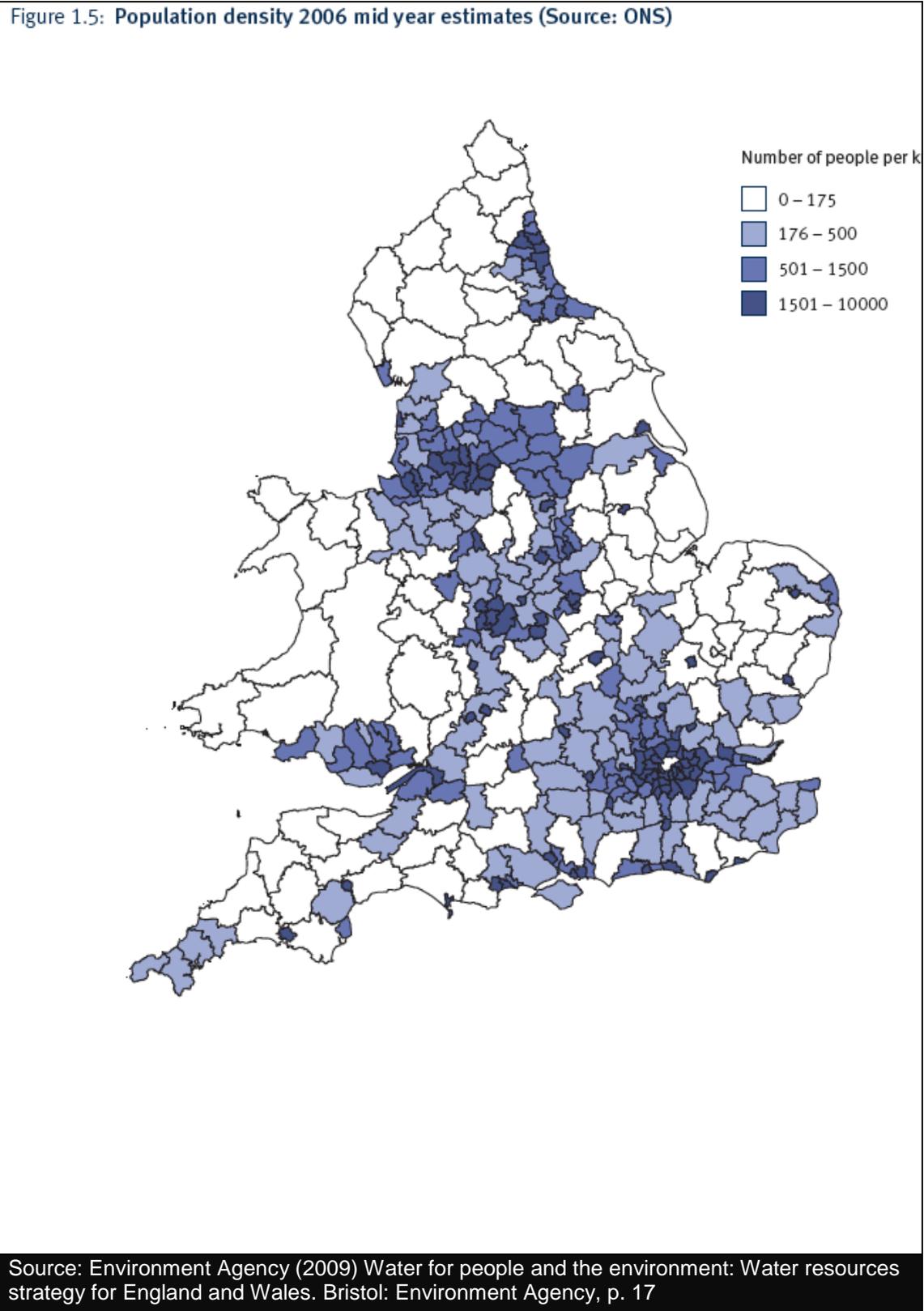
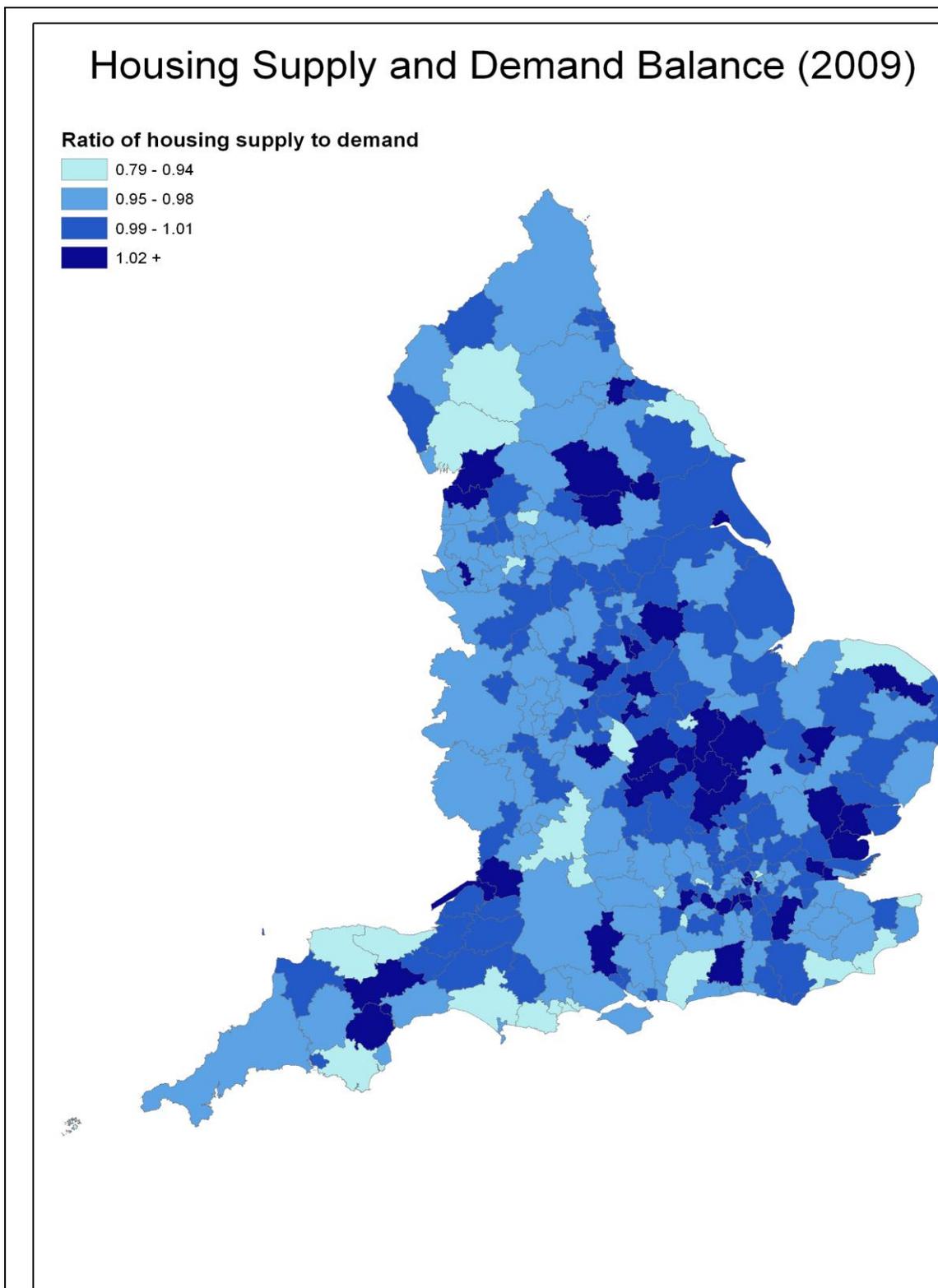


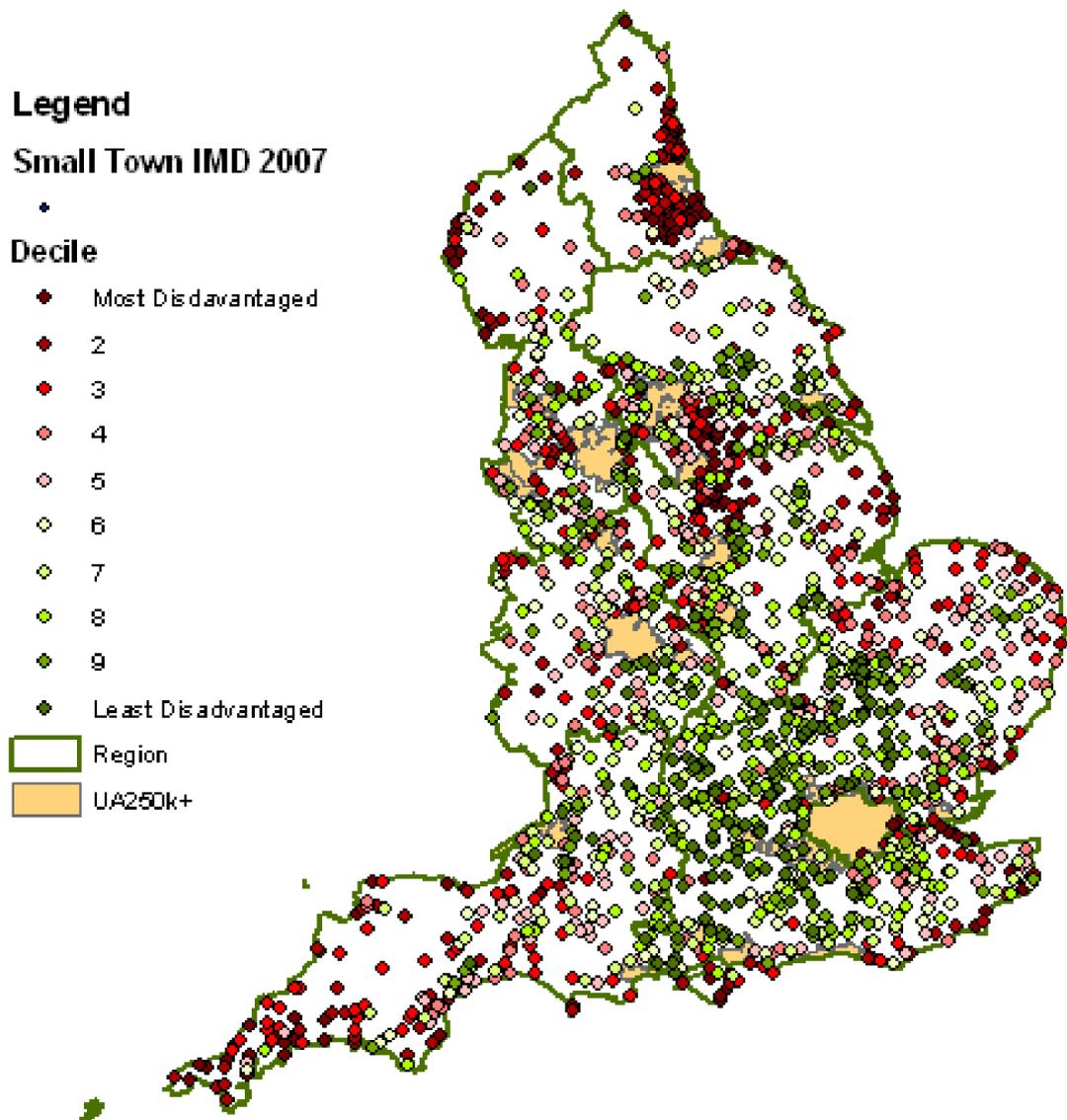
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Source: Housing Supply and Demand, Housing and Neighbourhood Monitor, JRF, 2011

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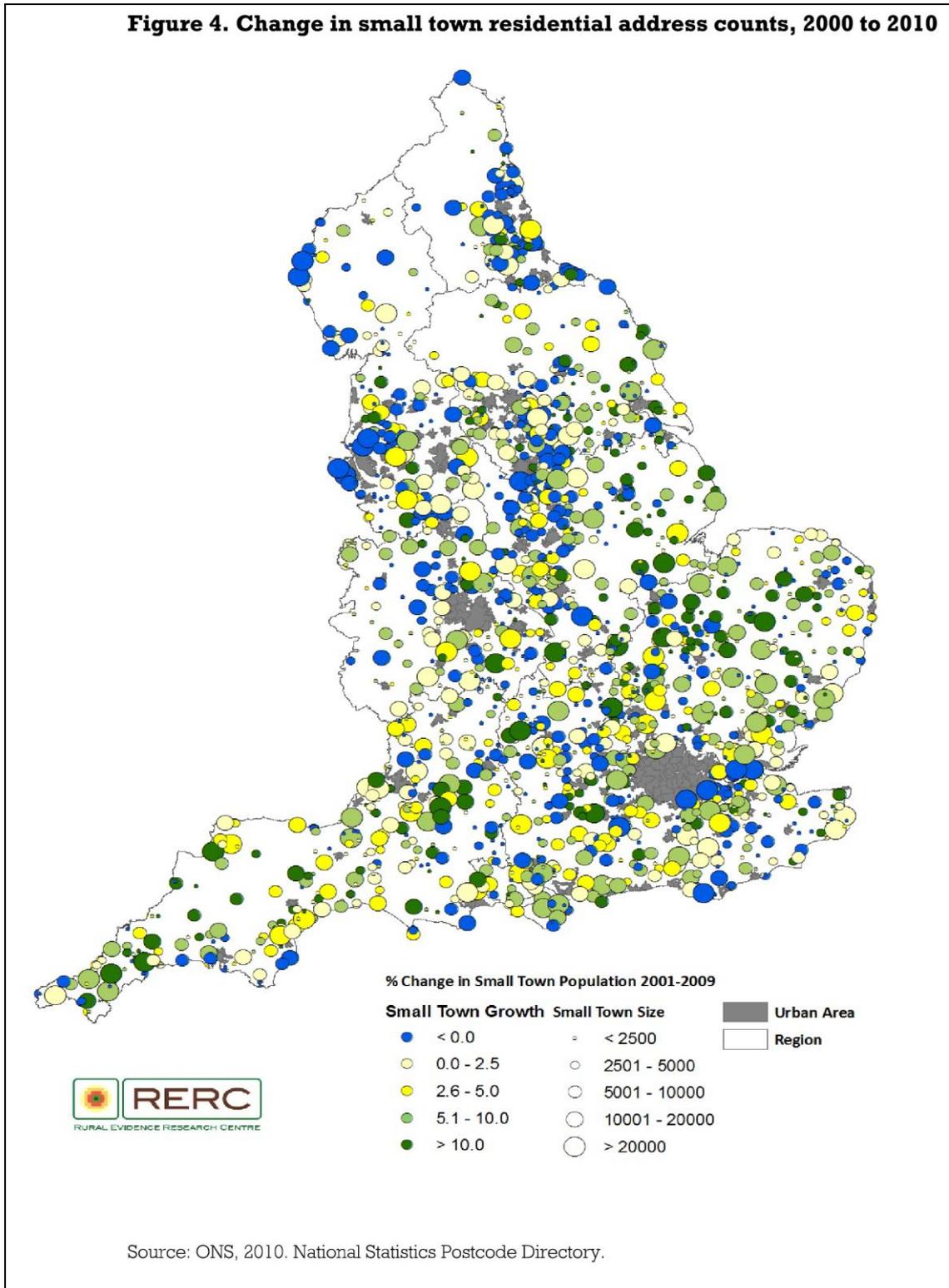
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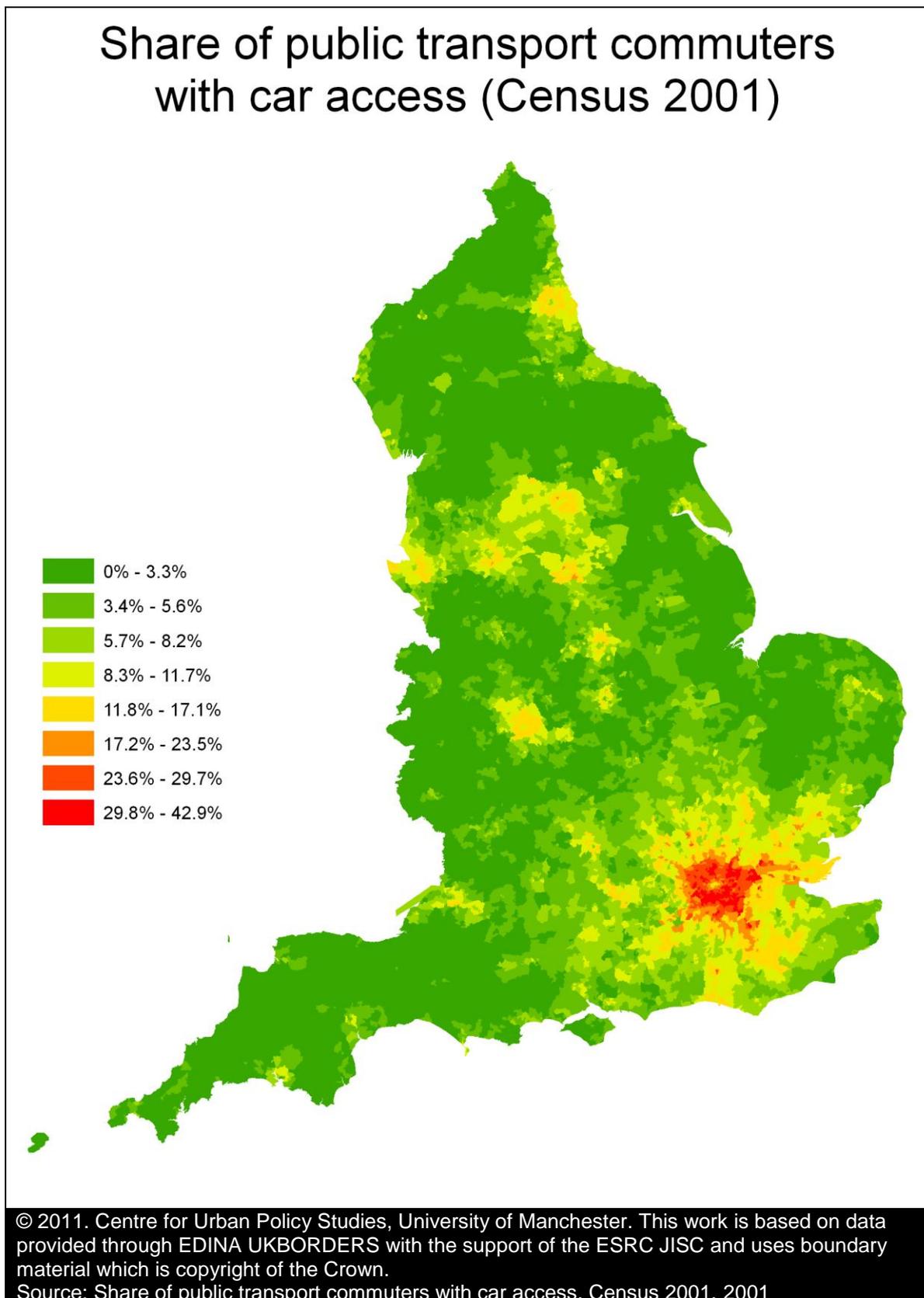
Source: Commission for Rural Communities (2011) State of the Countryside update: Market Towns, p. 18 <http://www.defra.gov.uk/crc/documents/state-of-the-countryside-report/sotc-updates/>

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Figure C-2.5: Share of Public Transport Commuters with Car Access



# CONTEXT (3):

## *Planning for Places*

Figure C-3.0: Unmeasured pcc (Litres per person per day)

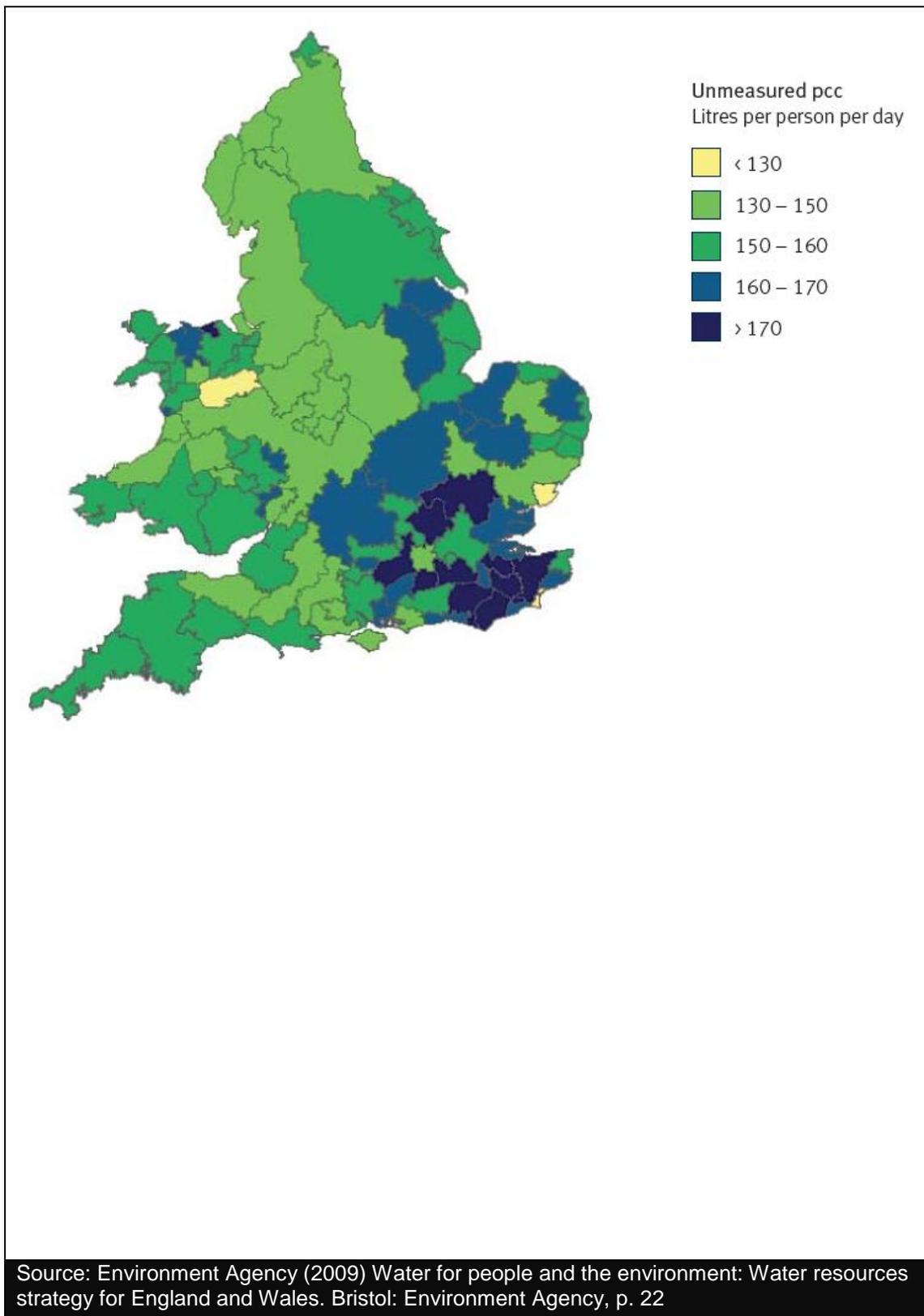


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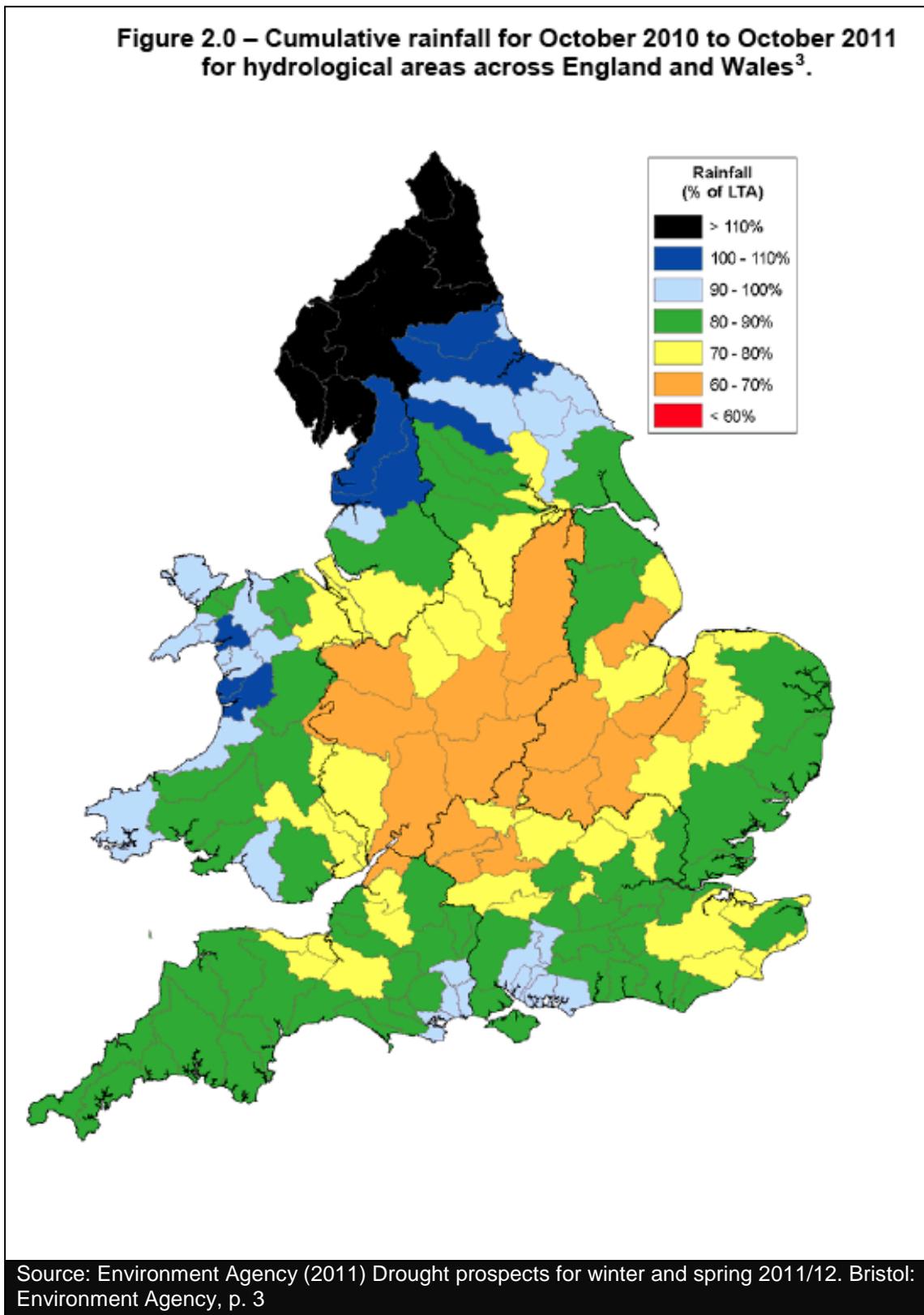


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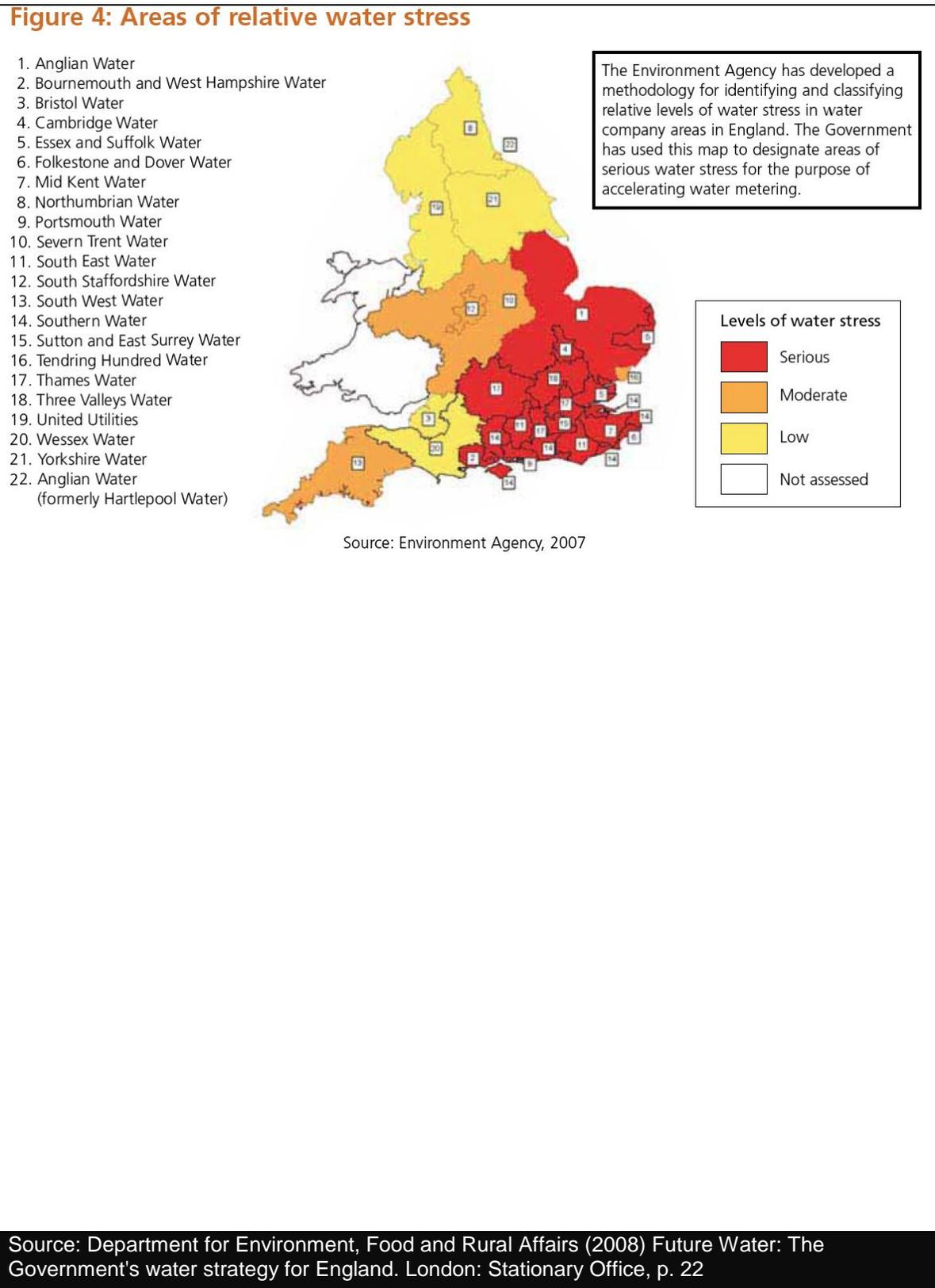
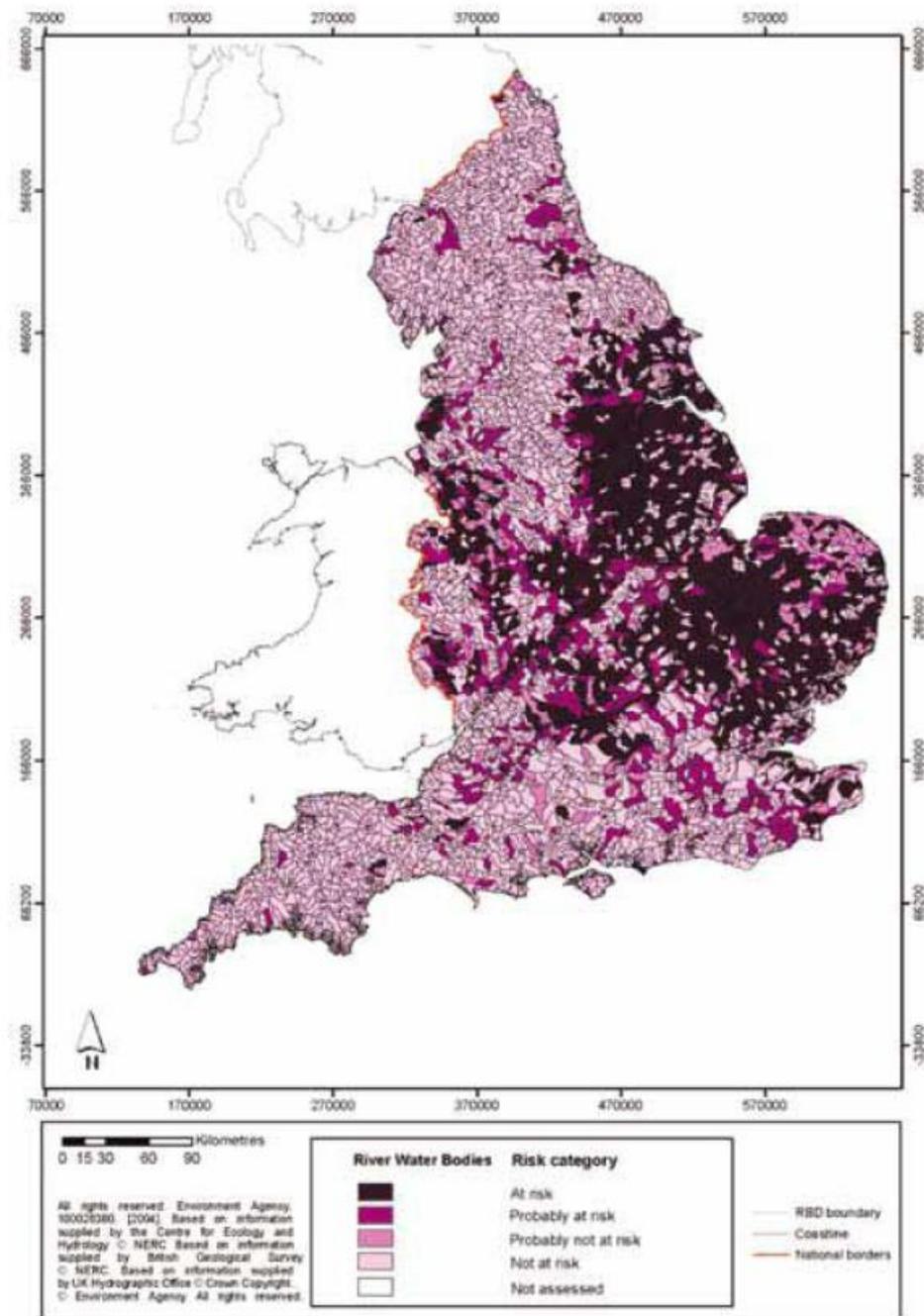


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**Figure 8: Oxidised nitrogen from combined sources in rivers**

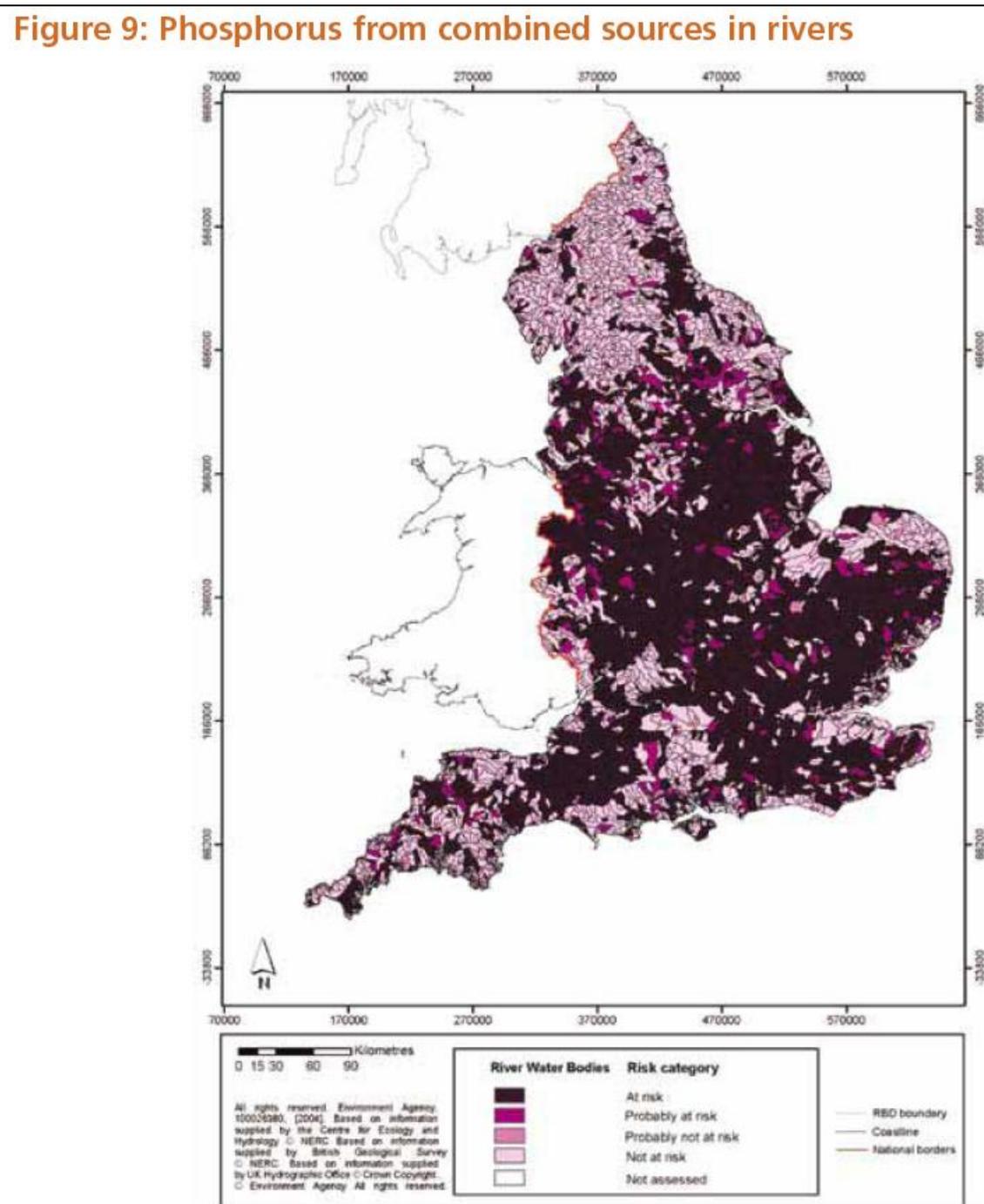


Source: Environment Agency, 2007

Map shows 2007 levels of oxidised nitrogen in rivers and current number of rivers at risk of failing to meet good ecological status by 2015 as required by the Water Framework Directive

Source: Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (2008) Future Water: The Government's water strategy for England. London: Stationary Office, p. 45

Figure C-3.4: Phosphorus From Combined Sources in Rivers



Source: Environment Agency, 2007

Map shows 2007 levels of phosphorus, biochemical oxygen demand and total ammonia in rivers and current number of rivers at risk of failing to meet good ecological status by 2015 as required by the Water Framework Directive

Source: Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (2008) Future Water: The Government's water strategy for England. London: Stationary Office, p. 46

Figure C-3.5: UK Emissions Map of PM10 (2009 t/1x1km)

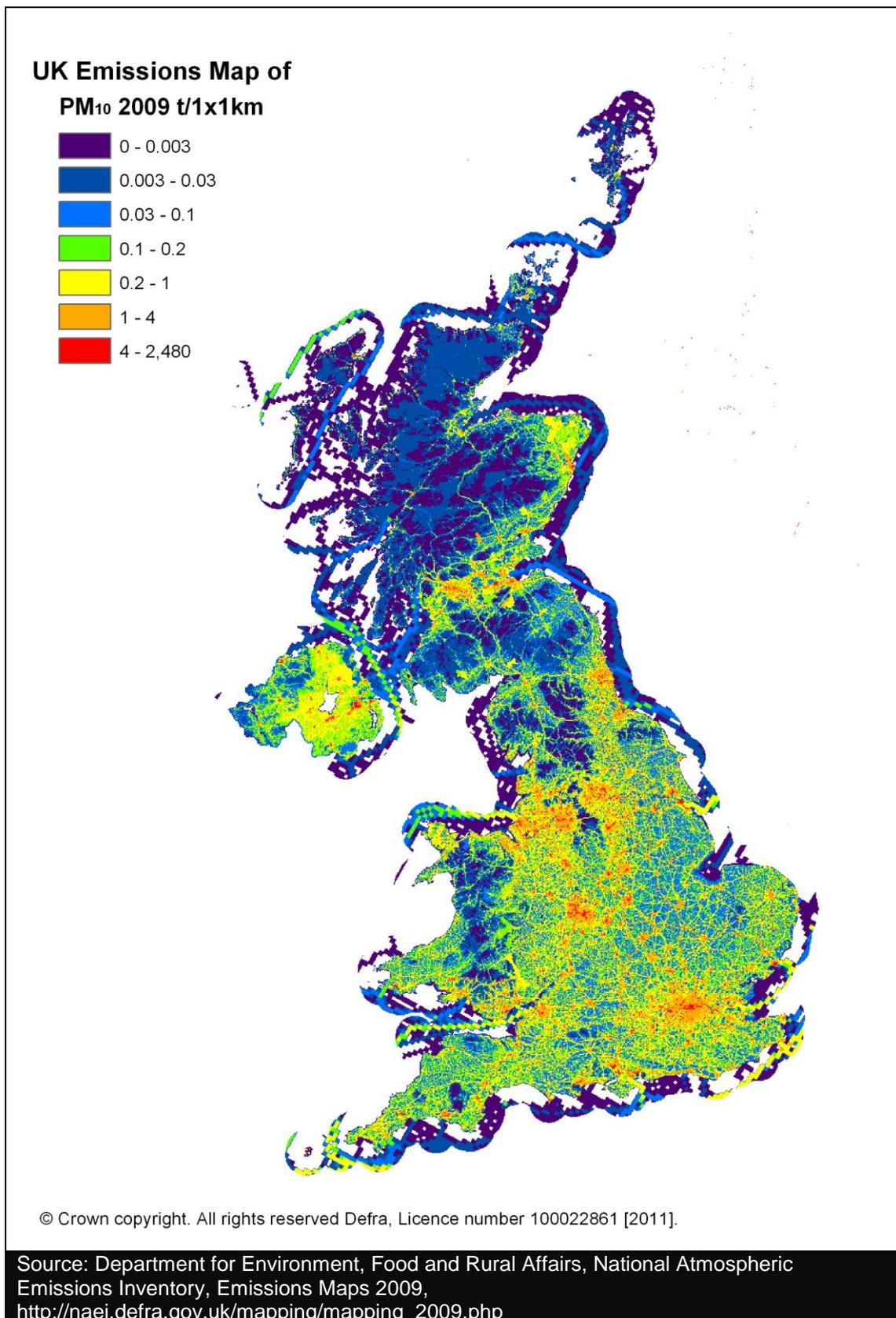
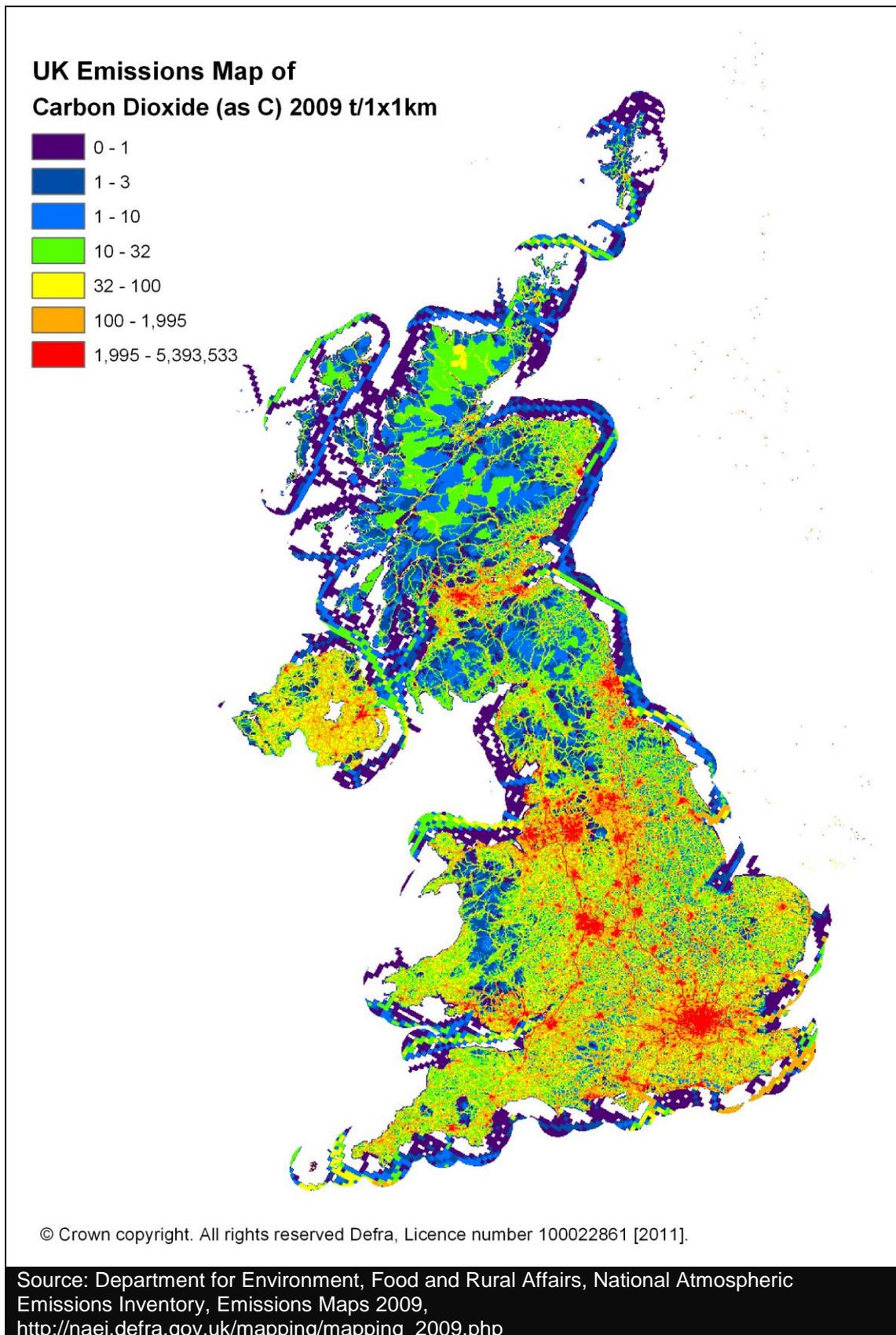


Figure C-3.6: UK Emissions Map of Carbon Dioxide (as C) (2009 t/1x1km)



**FUTURE (1):**  
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Figure F-1.0: GVA Growth Forecast (2007-2017)

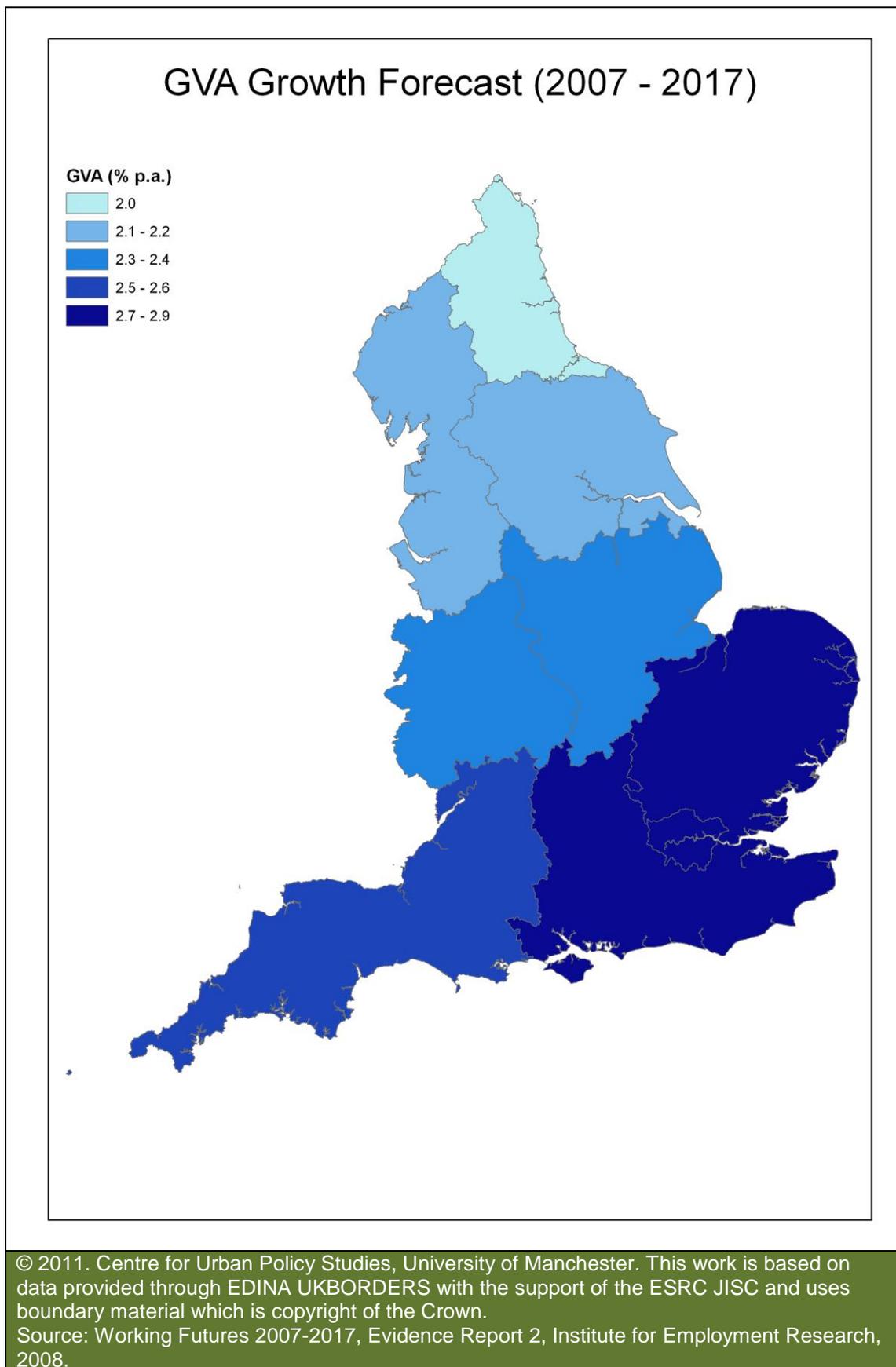


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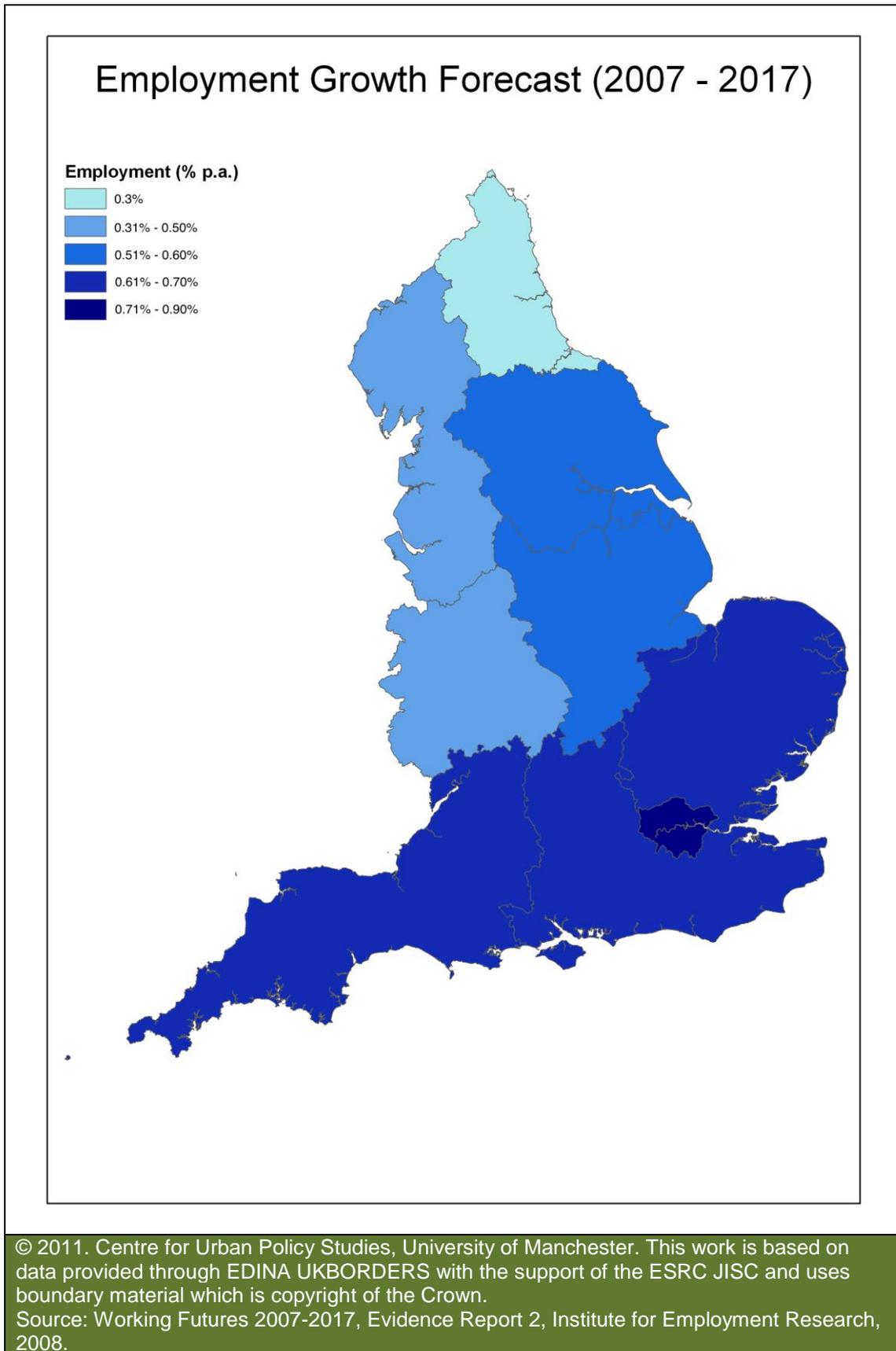


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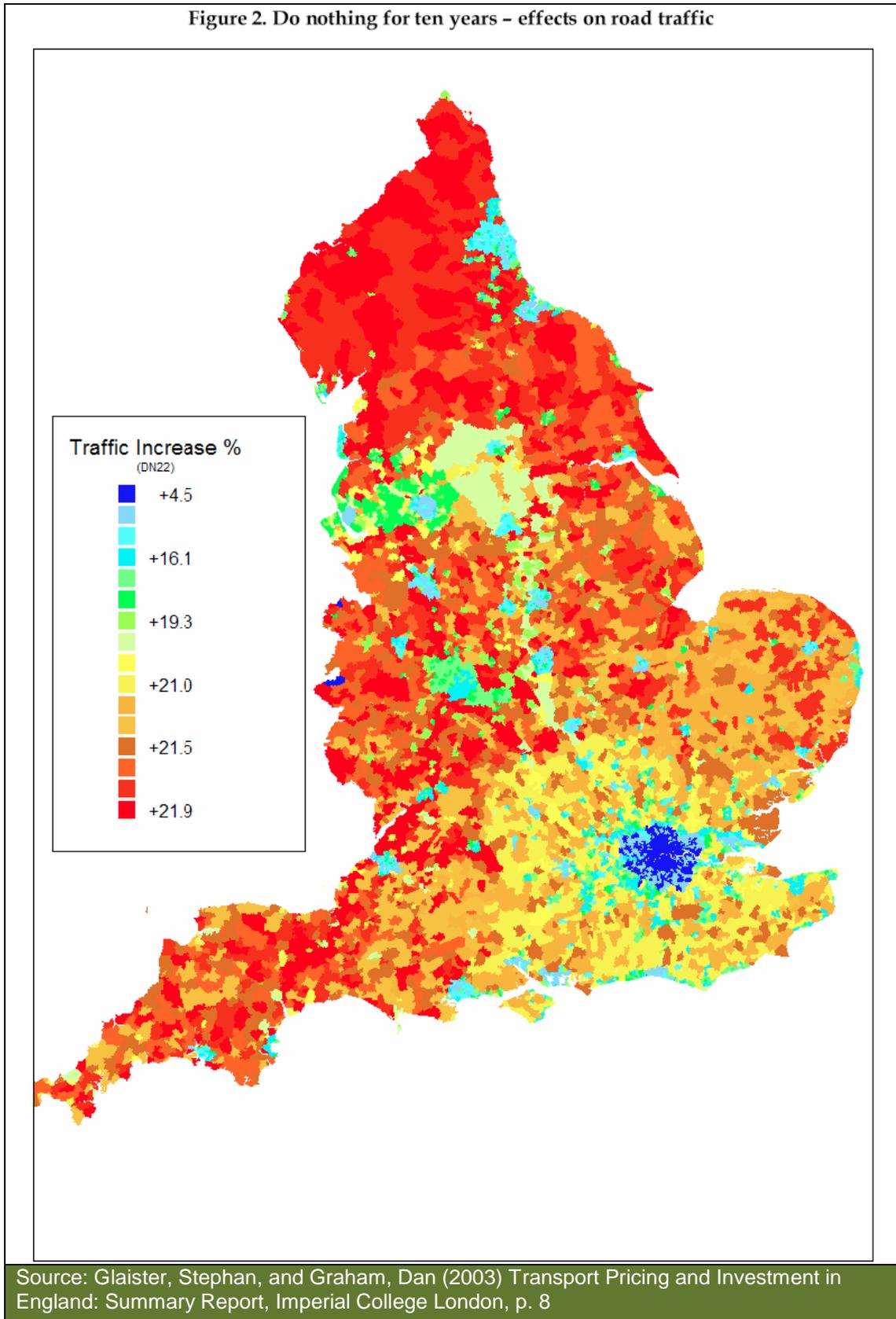
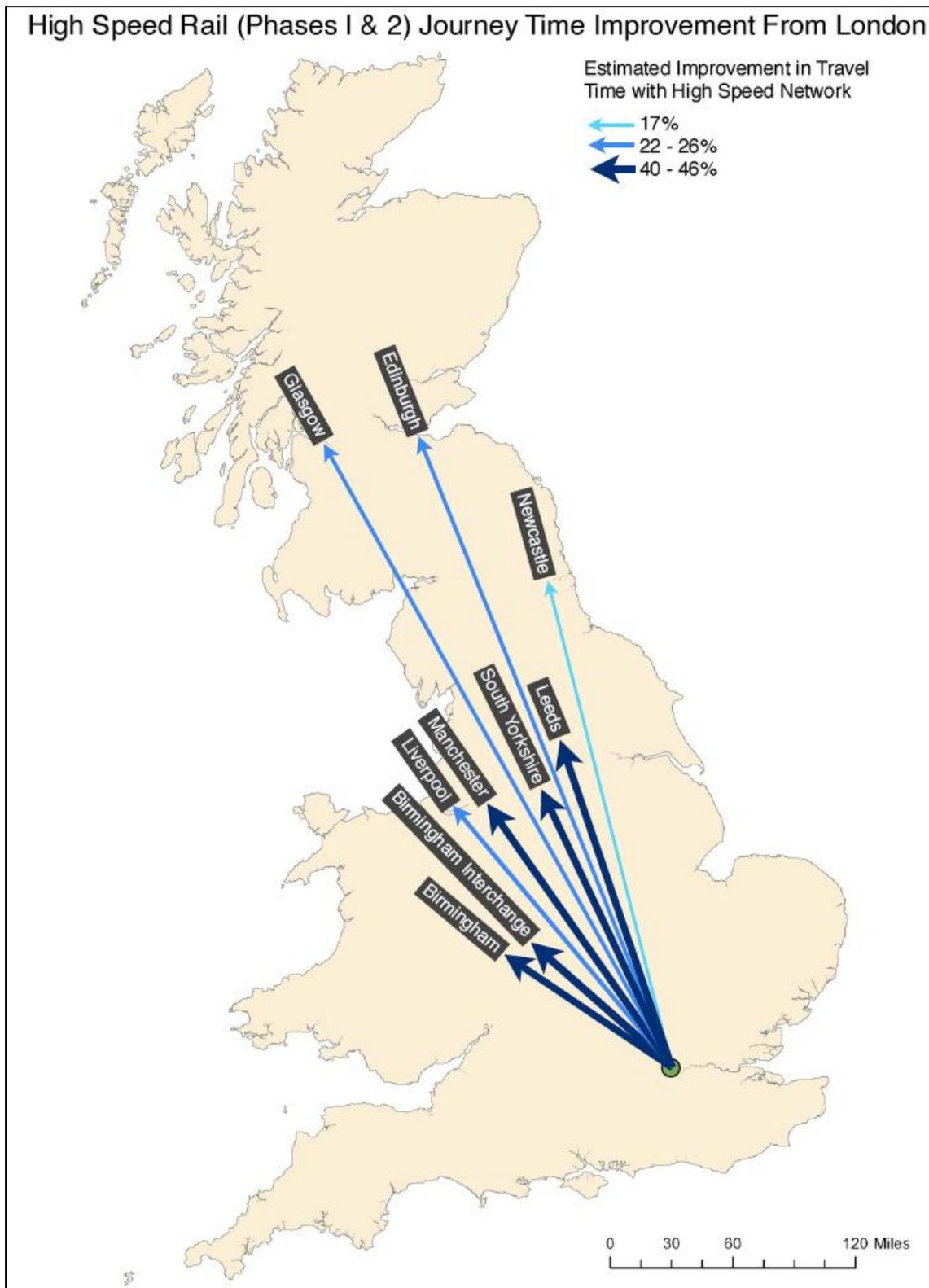


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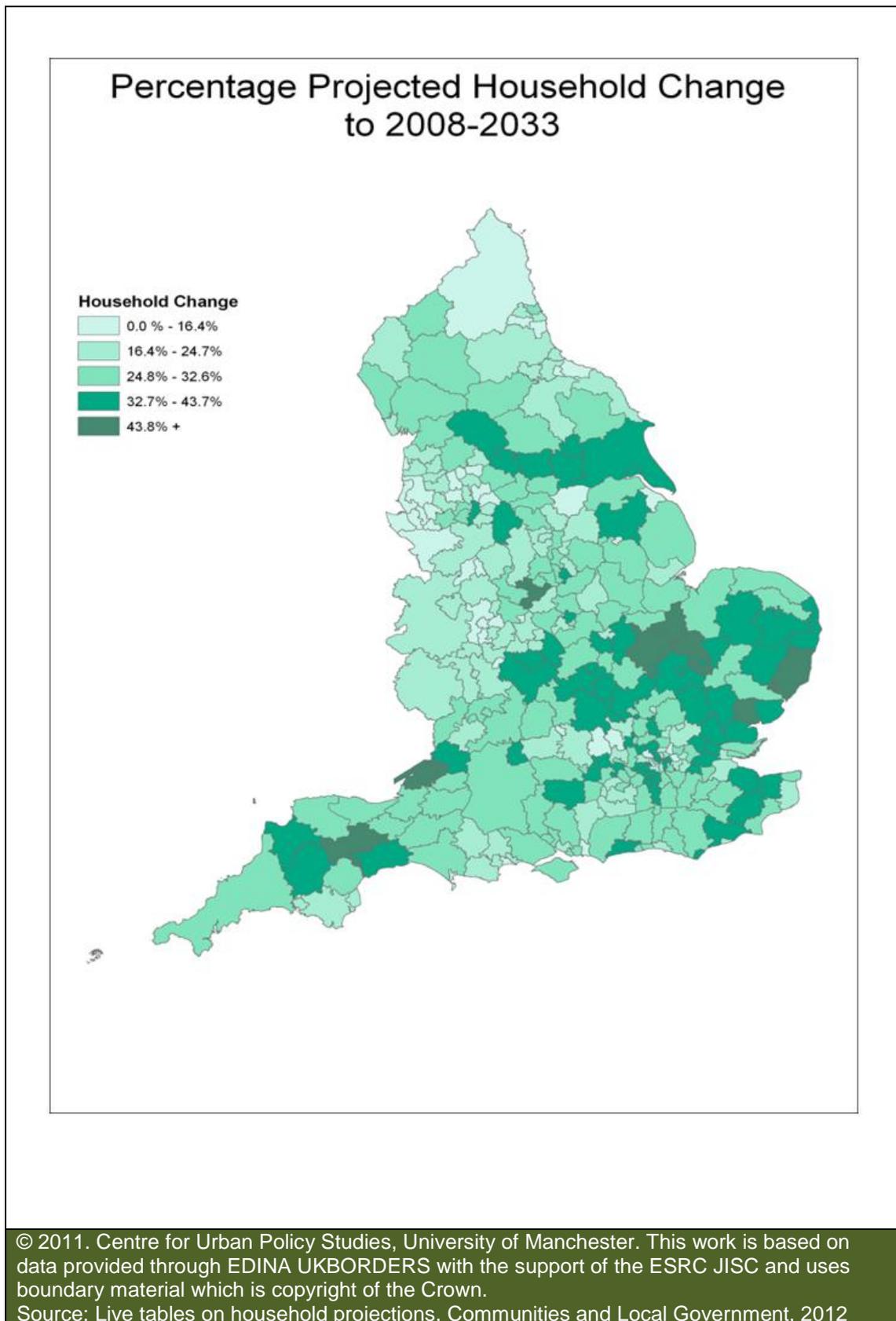


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 Source: High Speed Rail: Investing in Britain's Future, Department for Transport, 2011



**FUTURE (2):**  
*Planning for*  
*People*

Figure F-2.0: Percentage Projected Household Change to 2008-2033



# FUTURE (3):

## *Planning for Places*

Figure F-3.0: Changes in Mean Temperature (°C) for the 2080s

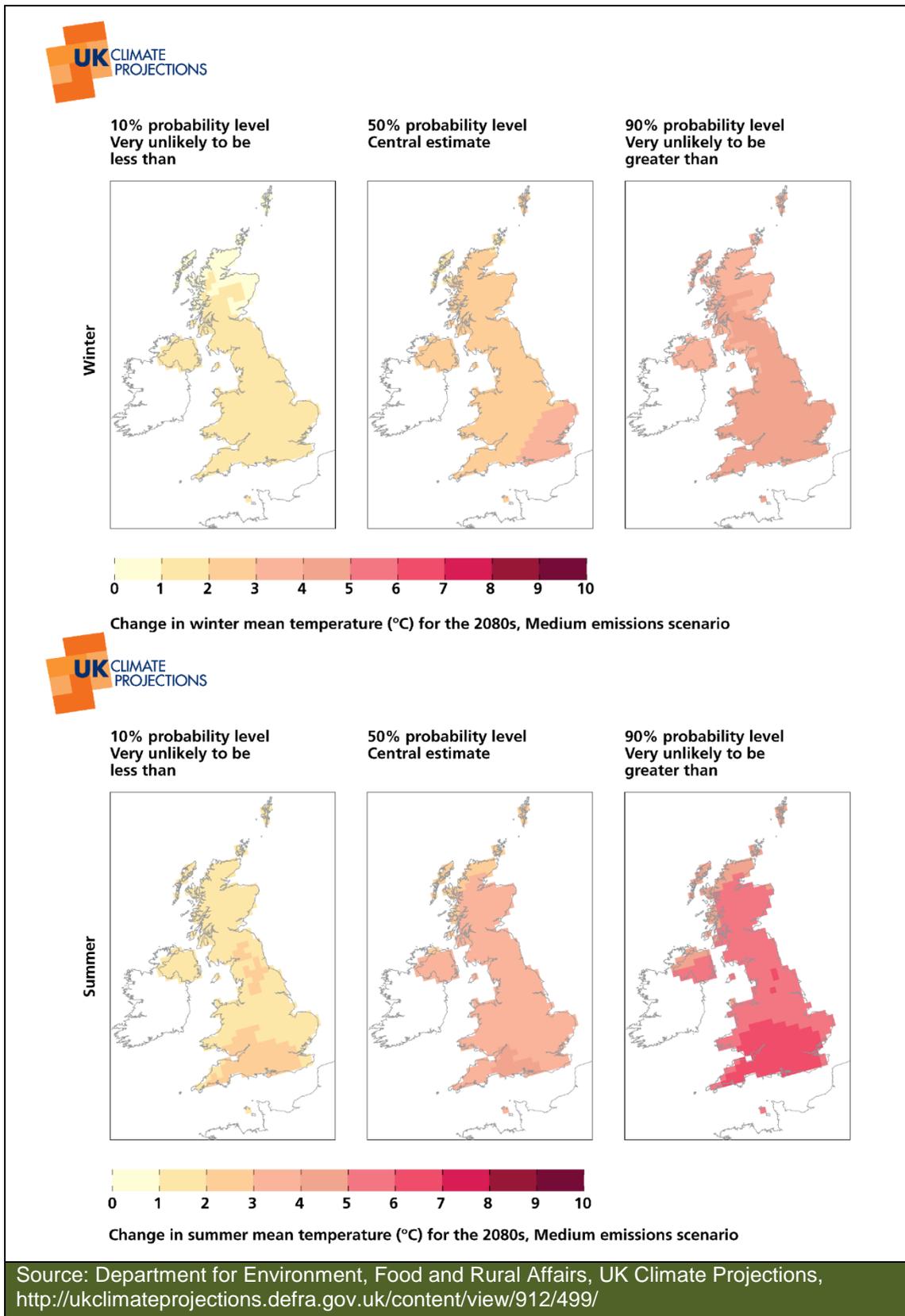
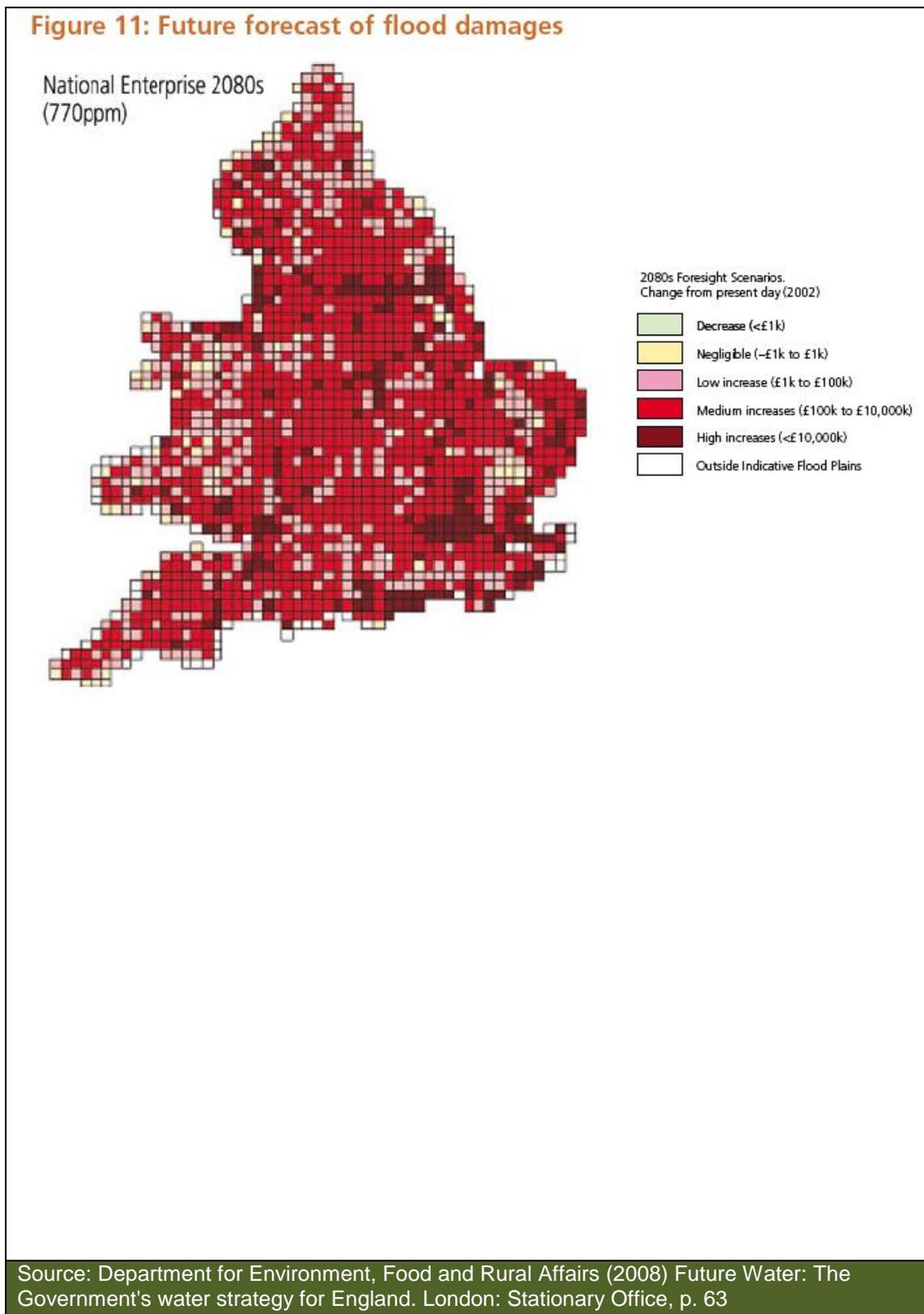


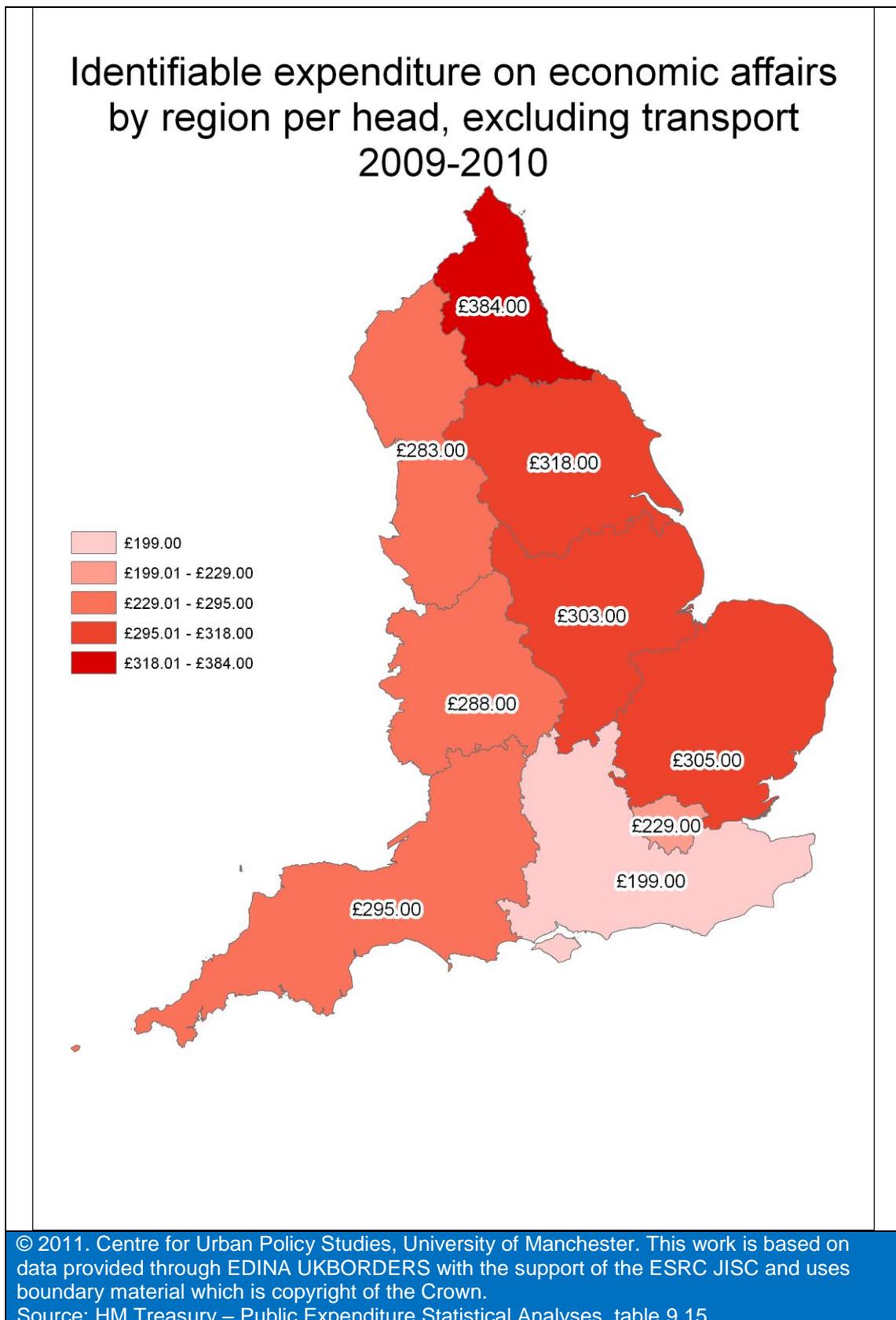
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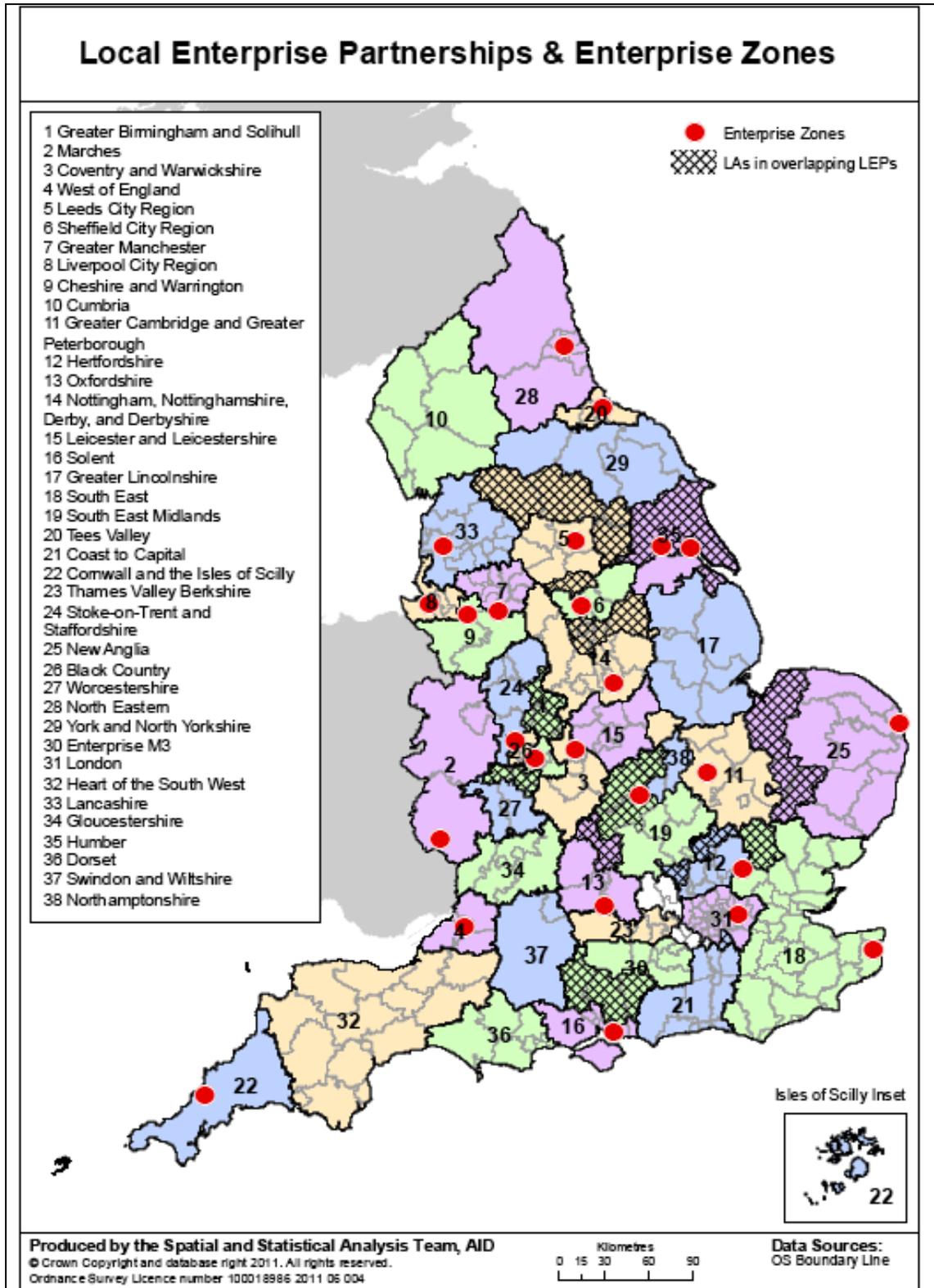
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Figure PP-1.1: Local Enterprise Partnerships and Enterprise Zones



Communities and Local Government (2011) Local Enterprise Partnerships and Enterprise Zones. <http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/localgovernment/pdf/1968608.pdf>

## Business and economic development

### Figure PP-1.2: Specific Government Action in the Autumn Statement to Support Core Cities' Local Enterprise Partnerships

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Figure 5: Specific government action in the Autumn Statement to support core cities' Local Enterprise Partnerships

#### MANCHESTER AND LIVERPOOL

- Manchester Cross City Bus – Highway changes and bus enhancements to facilitate new cross Manchester city centre bus services
- Rochdale Interchange – Replacement bus station for Rochdale adjacent to the existing one, allowing for the redevelopment of the town centre and complementing the arrival of Metrolink in 2014
- Electrification of the TransPennine Express
- Link road from M56 at Manchester Airport to A6 south of Stockport
- Manchester Metrolink Phase 3A extensions
- Mersey Gateway Bridge
- Expansion of Mersey Multimodal Gateway (as part of the Regional Growth Fund)
- Completion of the Western Gateway Enabling Scheme at Port Salford (as part of the Regional Growth Fund)
- Northern Rail connectivity (Liverpool to Newcastle, including the Northern Hub)
- Enhanced Capital Allowances available in the Liverpool City Region (Mersey Waters) Enterprise Zone to promote the creation and growth of capital intensive industries

#### BIRMINGHAM

- A45 Westbound Bridge (Solihull) – Replacement bridge over the West Coast Main Line close to Birmingham Airport on the A45 strategic corridor into Birmingham
- M6 Managed Motorway scheme between Birmingham and Manchester
- Birmingham New Street Station enlargement
- High Speed Rail 2
- A45 corridor (Damson Parkway to M42 junction 6) diversion (as part of the Regional Growth Fund)

#### BRISTOL

- Bus Rapid Transit scheme from Ashton Vale to Temple Meads (Bristol) – Bus Rapid Transit scheme (including guided bus) from the Ashton Gate area to the city centre, including feeder services from further afield
- South Bristol Link Phases 1 and 2 – New link road through the South Bristol area, linking a number of existing radial routes into the city
- Great Western electrification (electric services to Bristol, Oxford and Newbury)

#### NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE

- Tyne and Wear Metro upgrade
- East Coast Main Line improvements programme
- Northern Rail connectivity (Liverpool to Newcastle, including the Northern Hub)
- Enhanced Capital Allowances available in the North Eastern Enterprise Zone to promote the creation and growth of capital intensive industries
- Electrification of the TransPennine Express
- Subject to due diligence, extension of the existing North Eastern Enterprise Zone to include the Port of Blyth, encouraging private sector investment in the renewables industry and creating new jobs for the surrounding area

#### SHEFFIELD AND LEEDS

- A6182 White Rose Way Improvement Scheme (Doncaster) – Dualling of 1.9km of carriageway and replacement of two existing roundabouts with high-capacity signalised junctions
- Leeds Rail Growth – Two new railway stations: Kirkstall Forge and Apperley Bridge
- Supertram additional vehicles (Sheffield) – four additional tram vehicles for the Supertram network
- Accelerating M1 junction 39 to 42 scheme
- Electrification of the TransPennine Express
- Leeds Station enlargement
- Improved access to the Sheffield Gateway (as part of the Regional Growth Fund)
- Enhanced Capital Allowances available in the Sheffield City Region Enterprise Zone to promote the creation and growth of capital intensive industries
- Sheffield City Region to use £7 million from the Growing Places Fund to establish a JESSICA<sup>23</sup> for South Yorkshire, leveraging £13 million of European funding

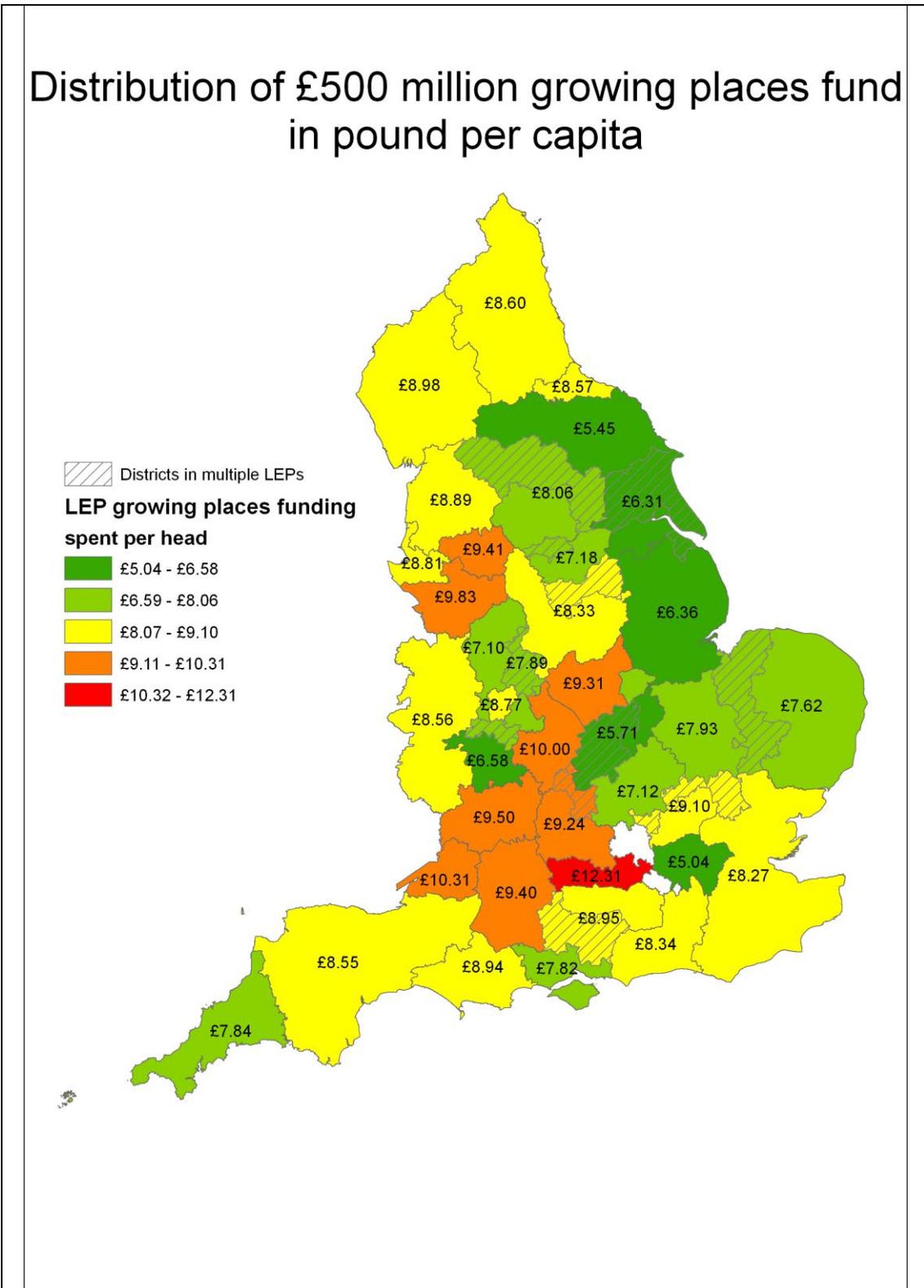
#### NOTTINGHAM

- Hucknall Town Centre Improvement Scheme – New inner relief road allowing pedestrianisation of the High Street, plus a 'bus only' link and enhanced pedestrian and cycle facilities
- Widening the A453 between Nottingham, the M1 and Nottingham East Midlands Airport
- Development consent granted for a scheme to improve the A1 at Elkesley
- Nottingham Express Transit
- A46 Newark to Widmerpool completion in 2012
- In Derby, London Road bridge – Replacement of the London Road railway bridge on this strategic corridor into Derby from the South East

<sup>23</sup> Joint European Support for Sustainable Investment in City Areas.

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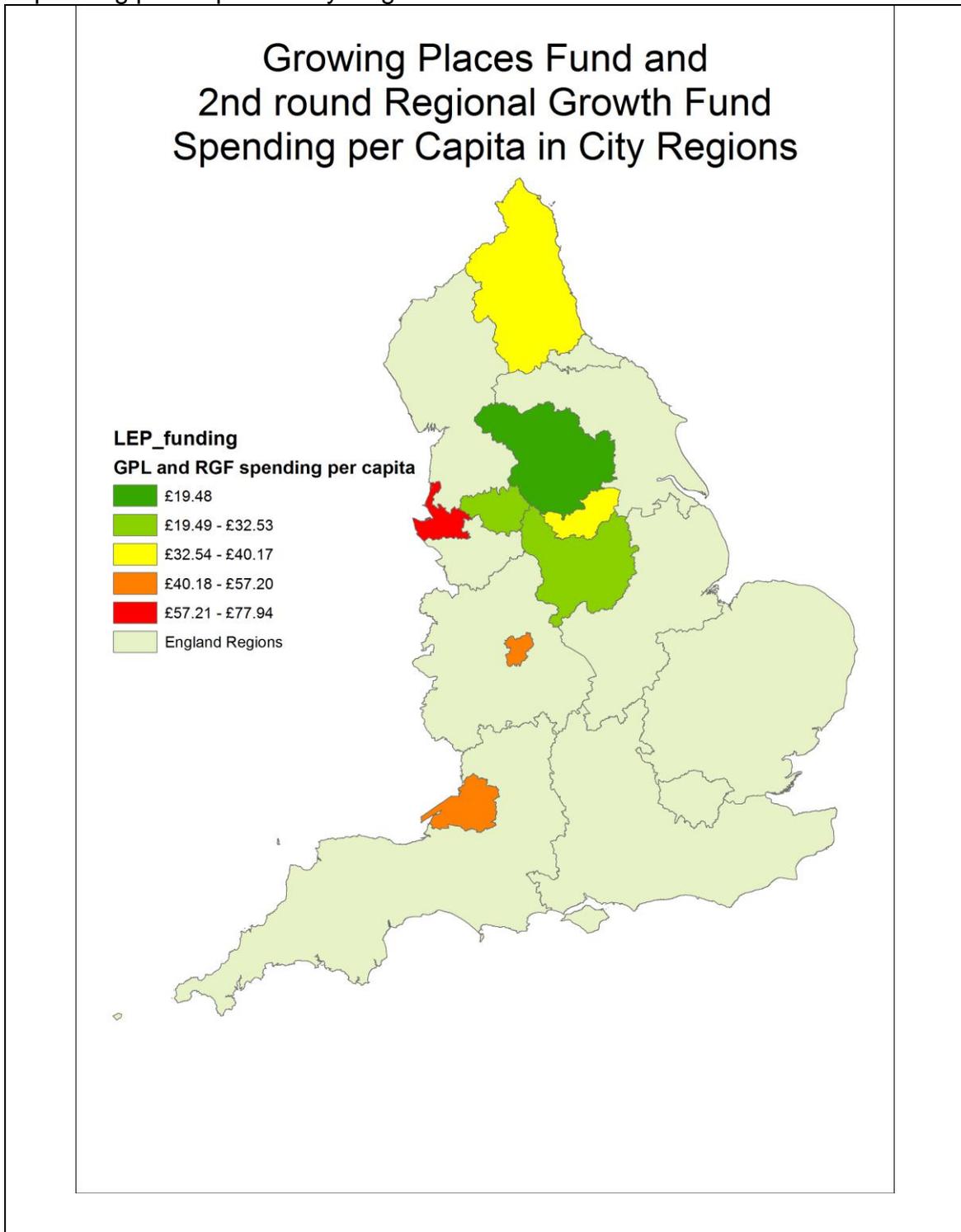
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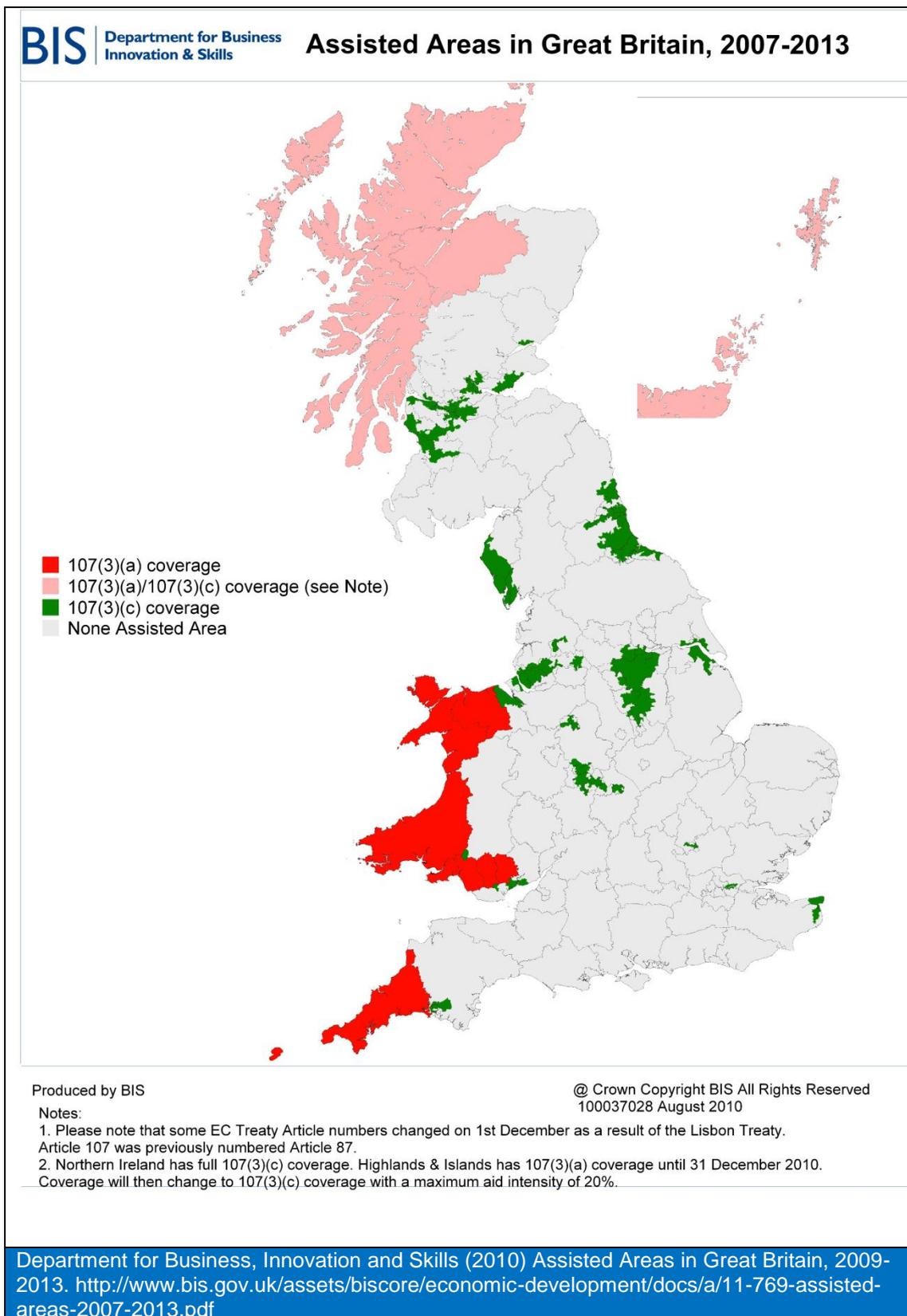


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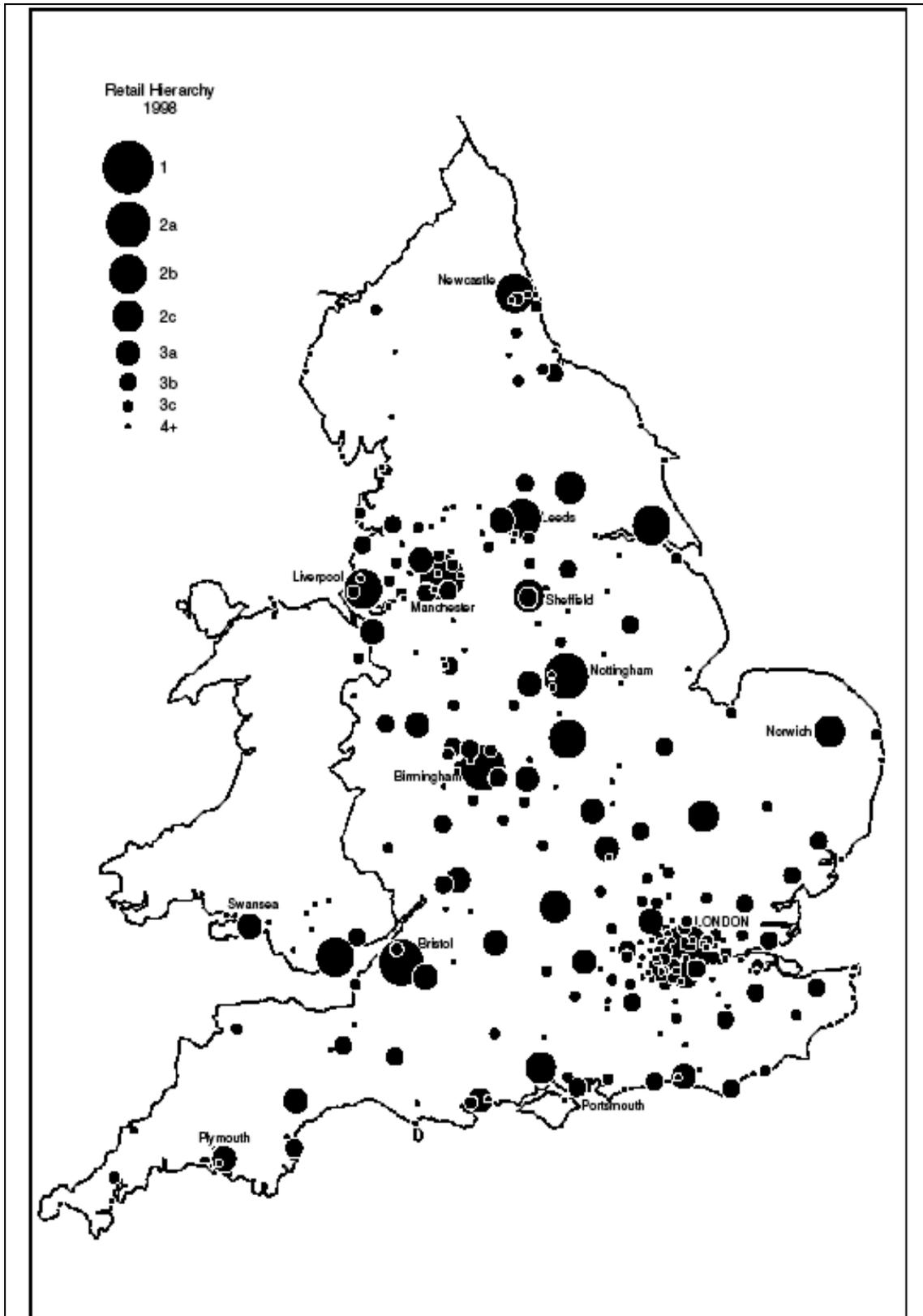
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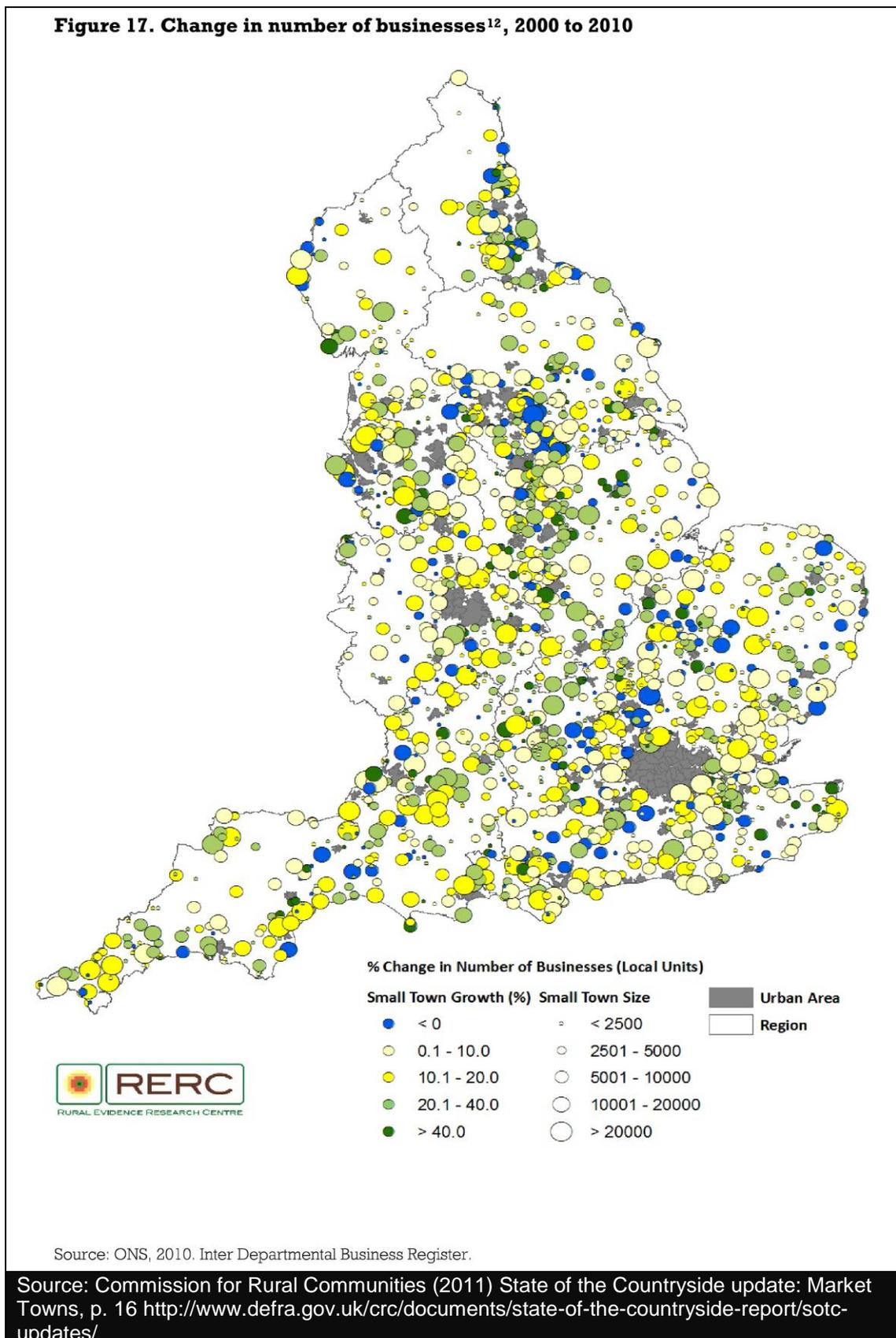
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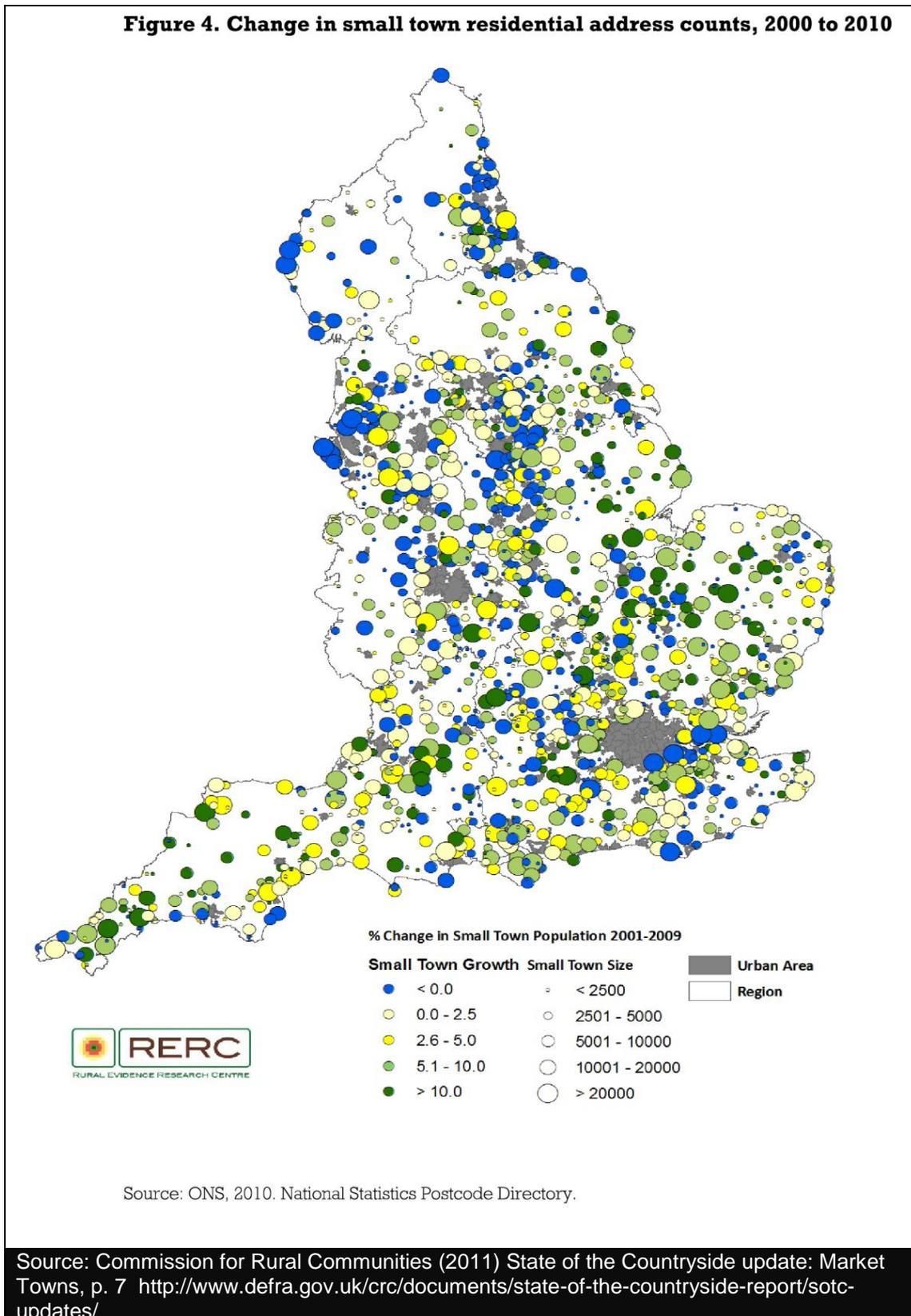
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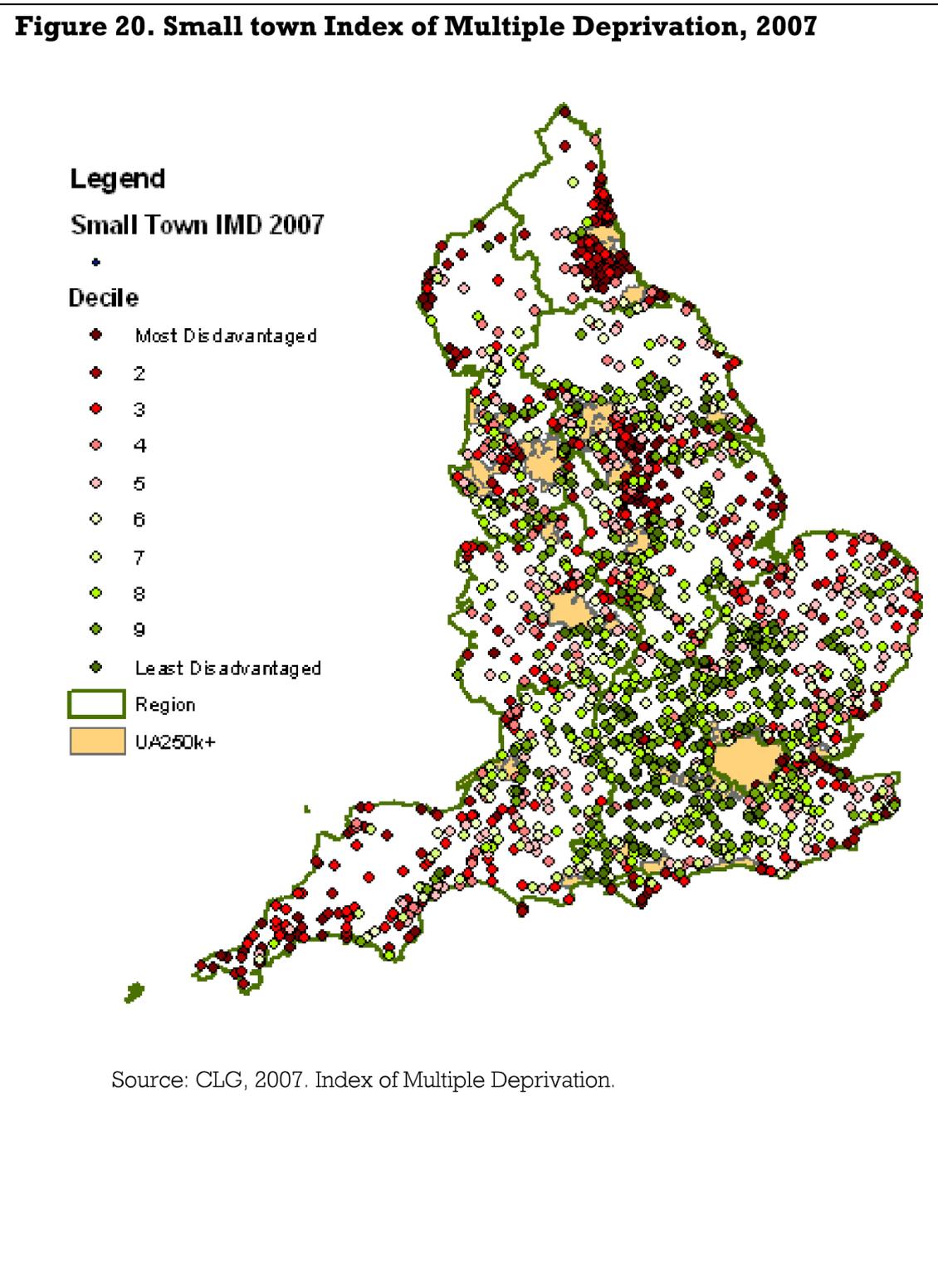
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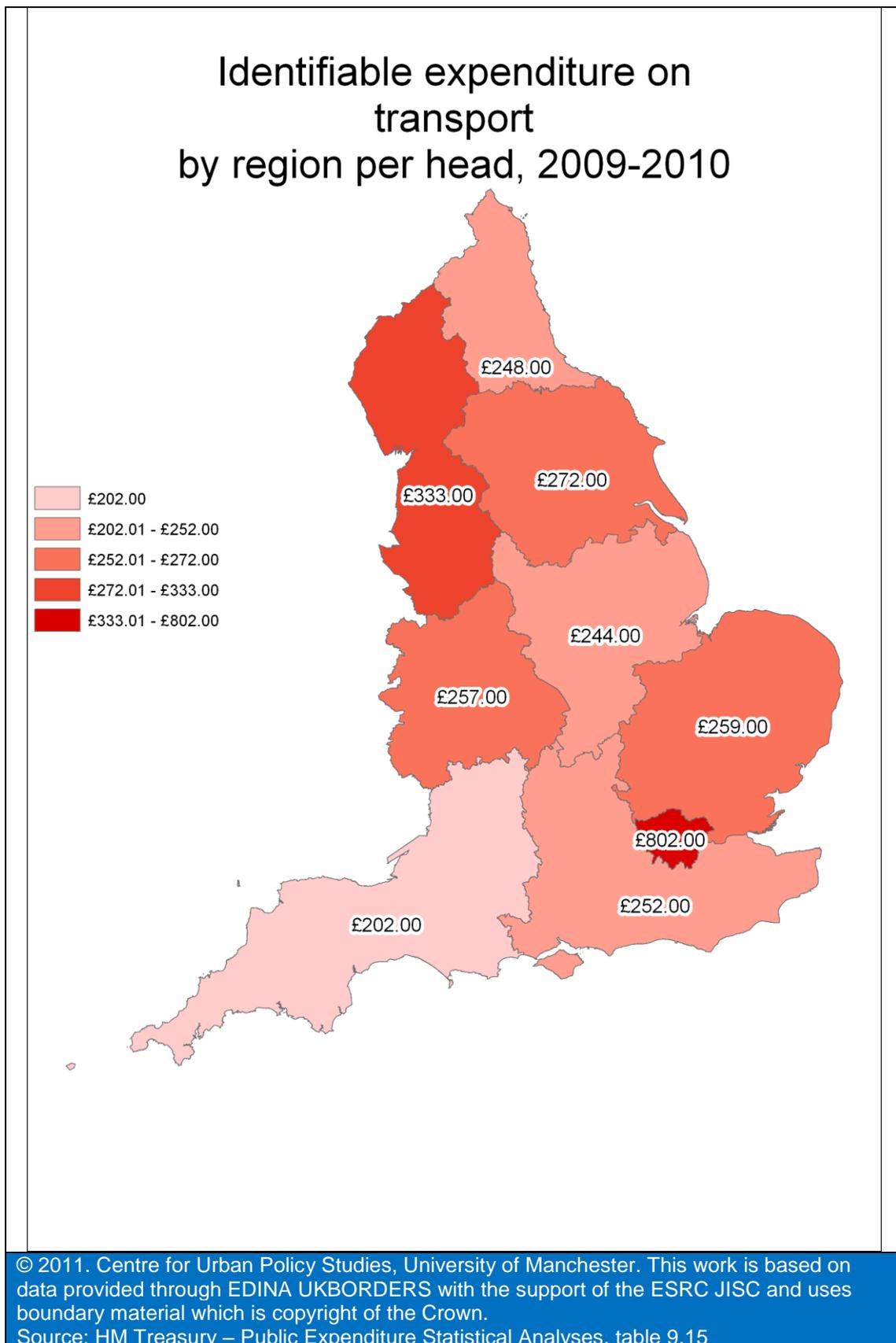


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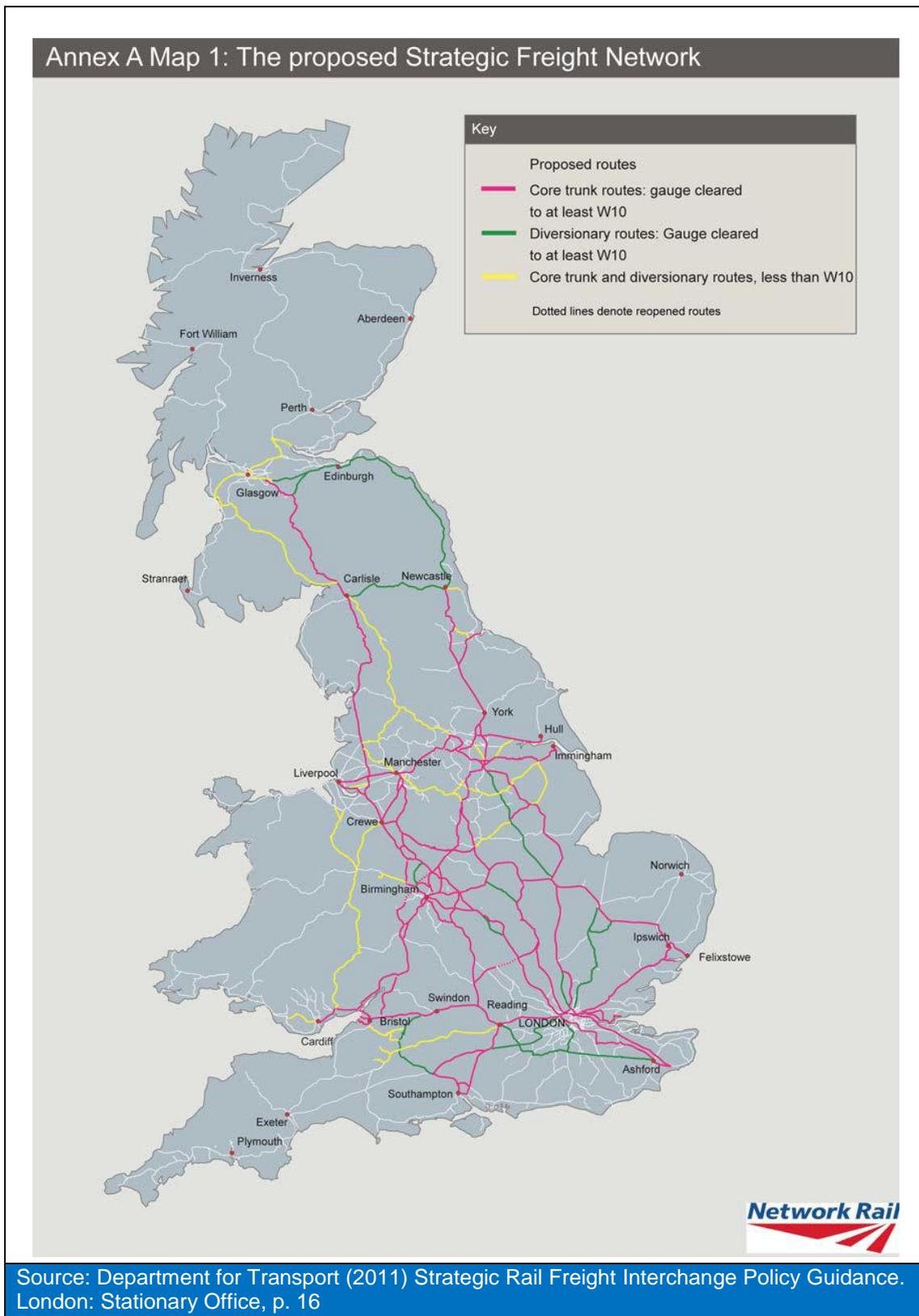
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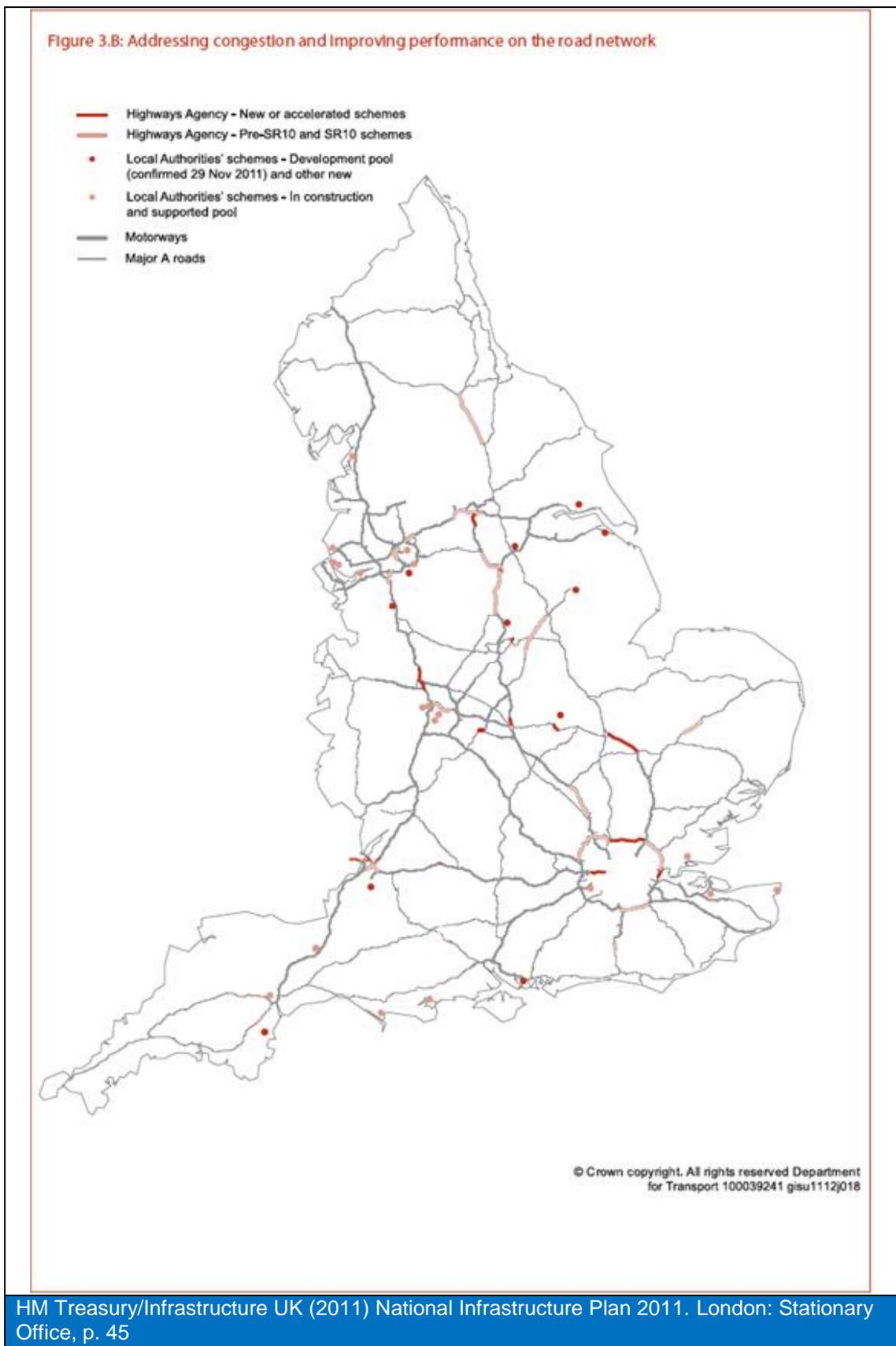
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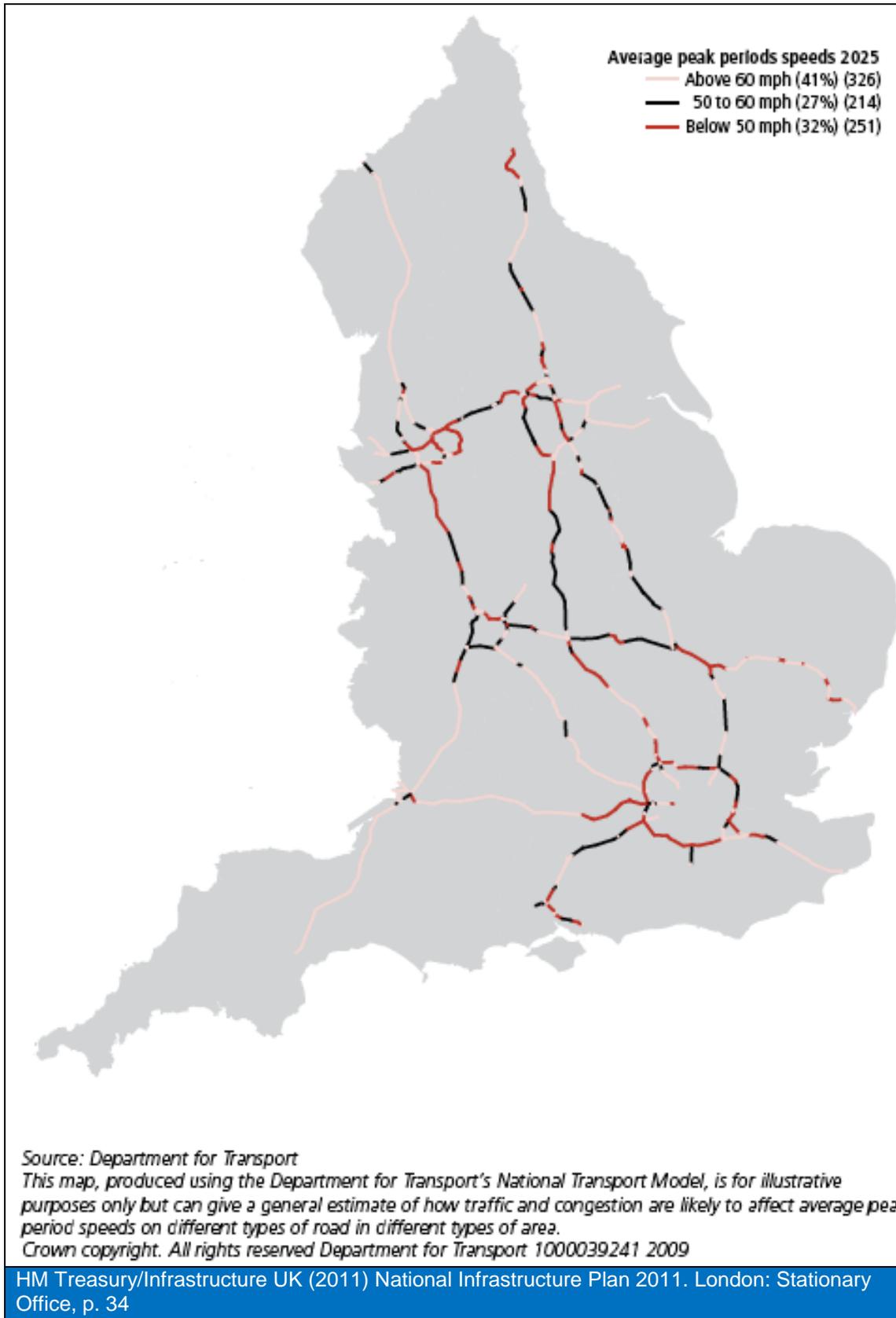
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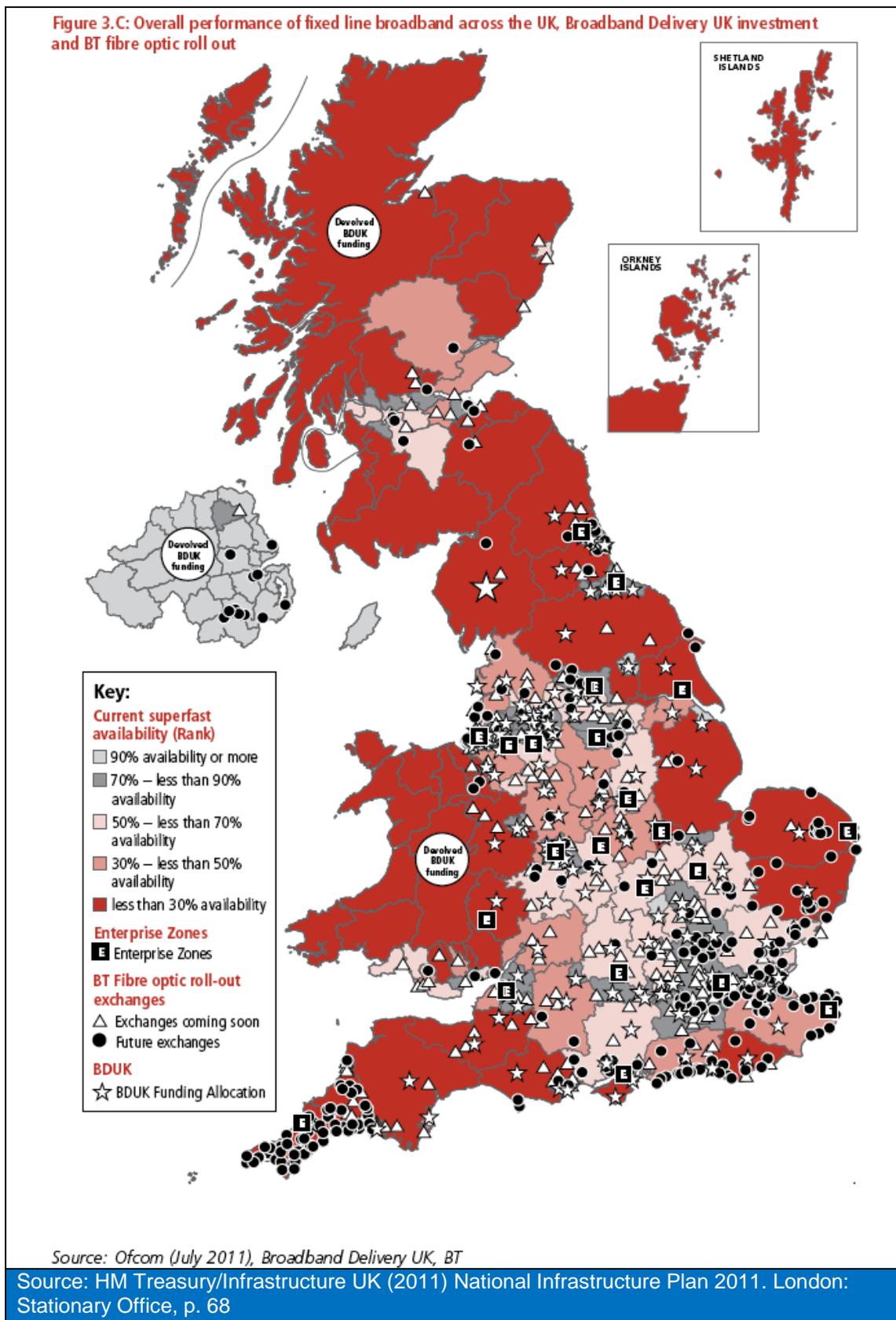
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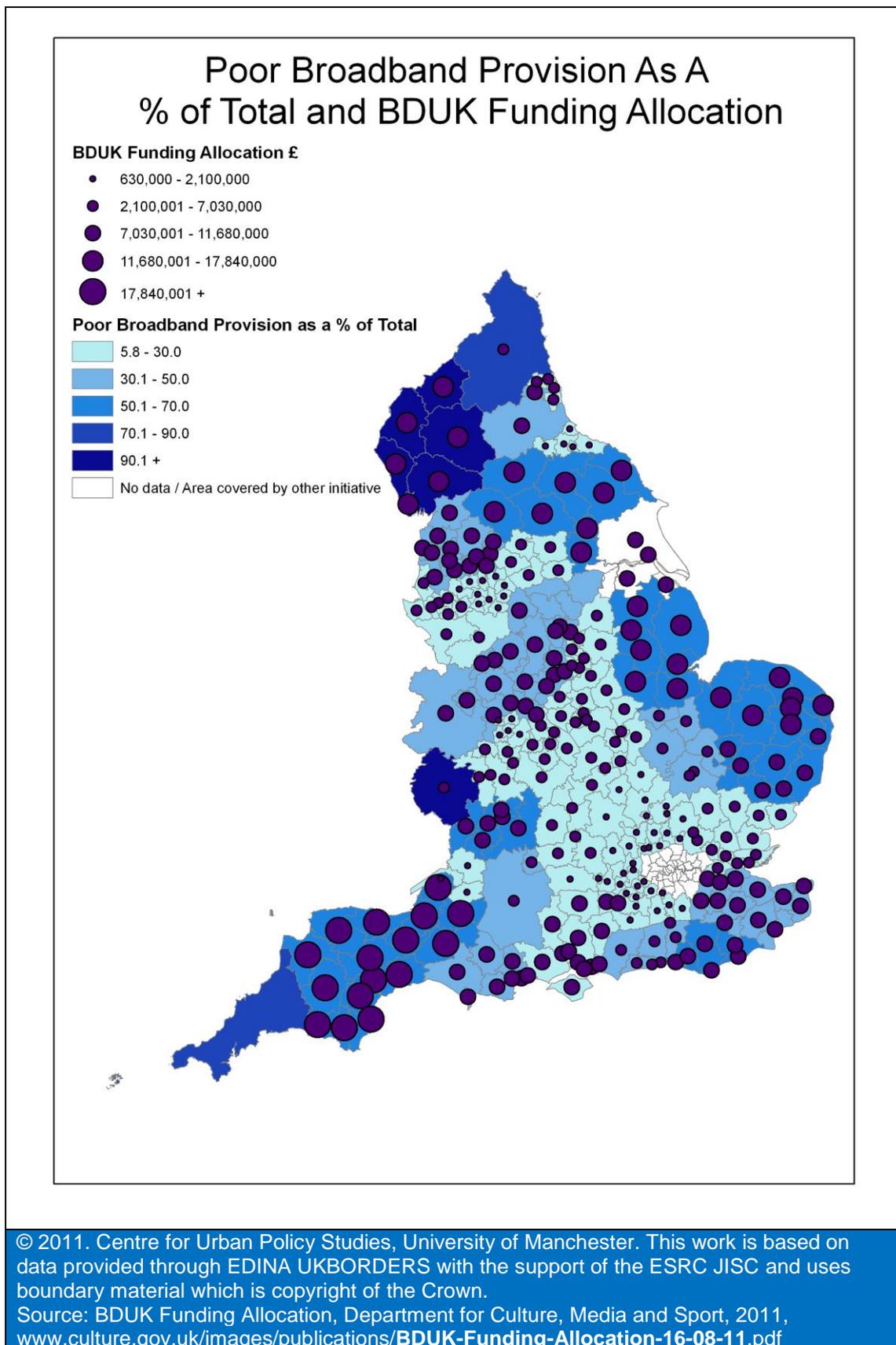
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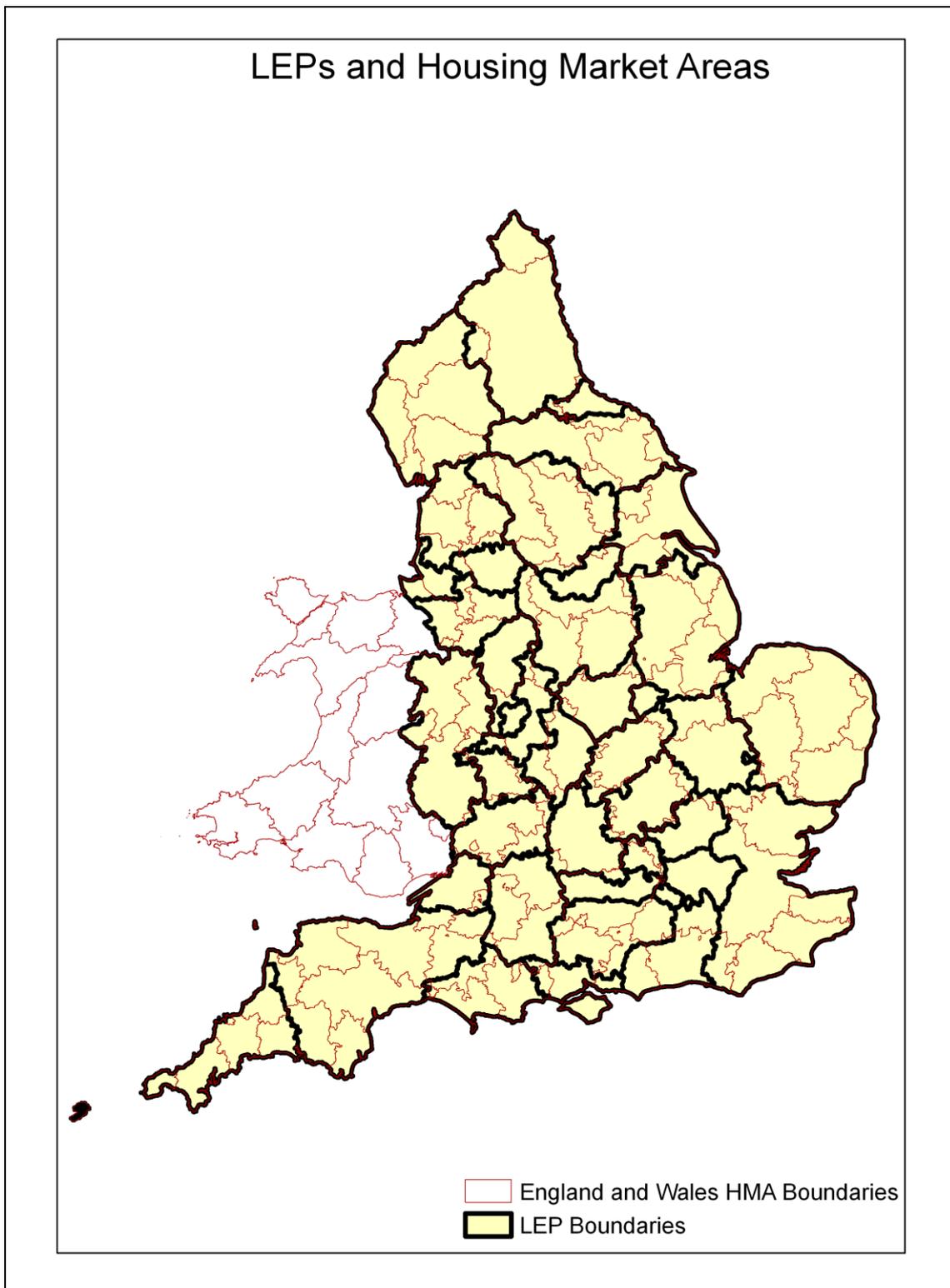
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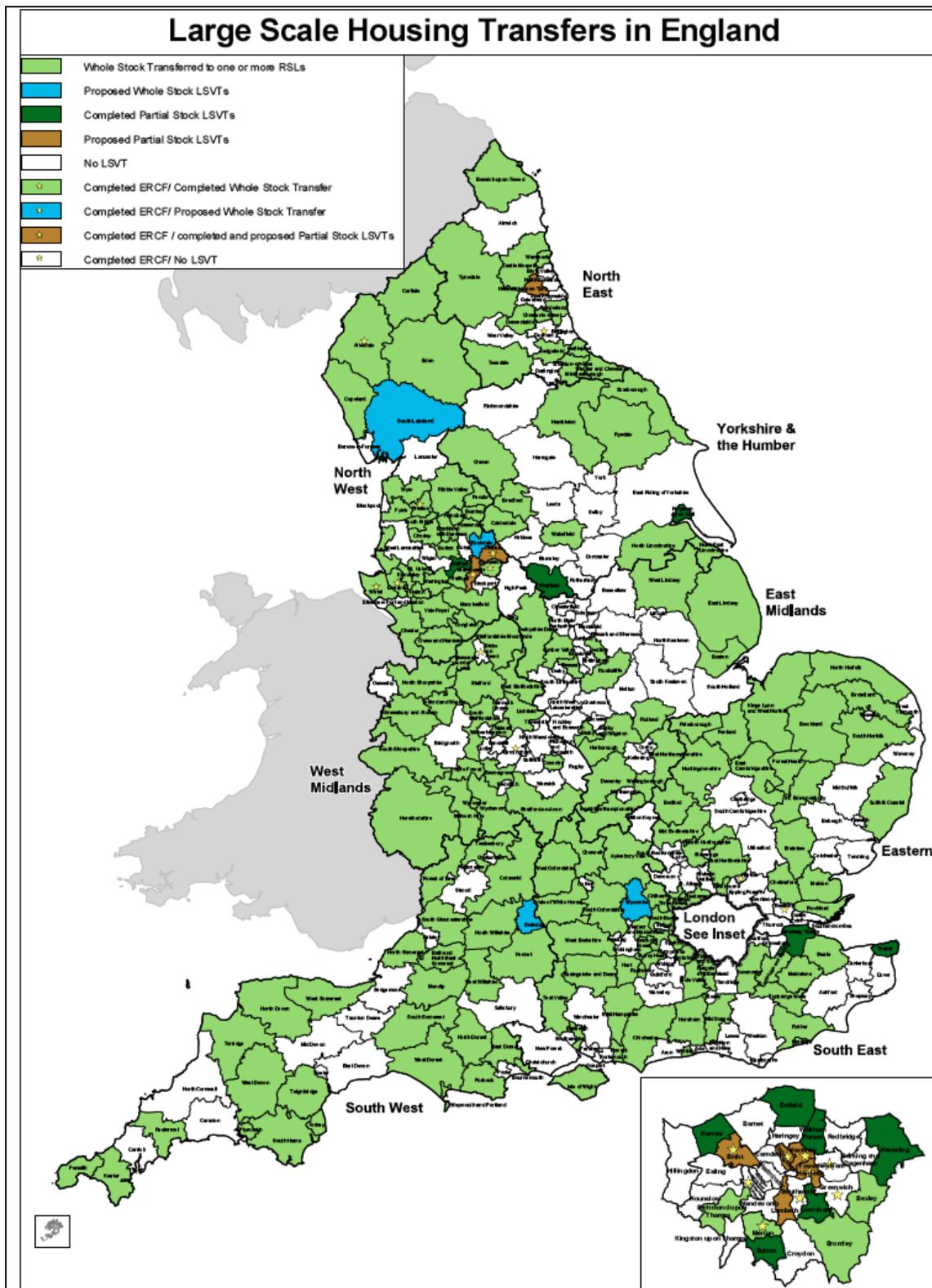
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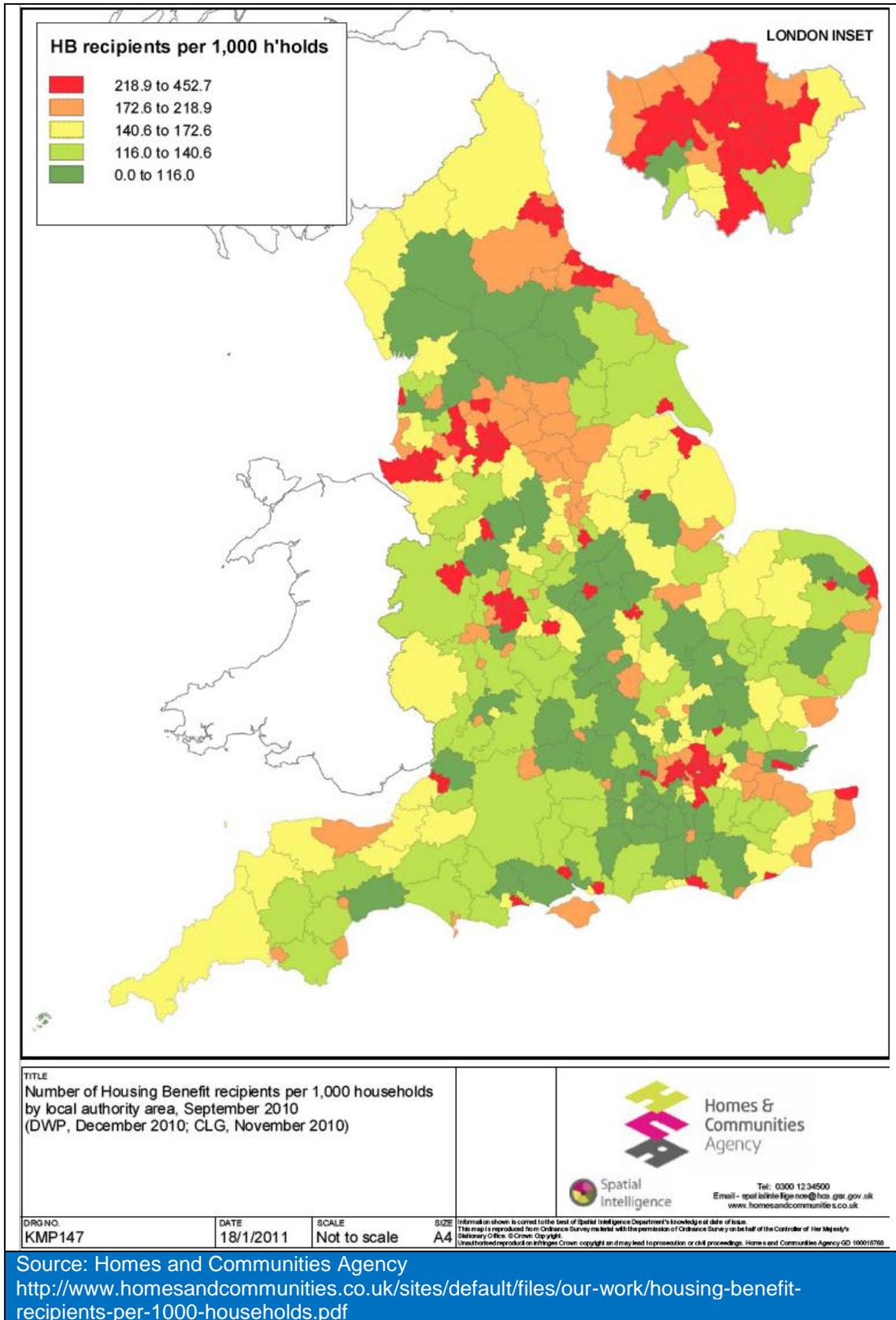
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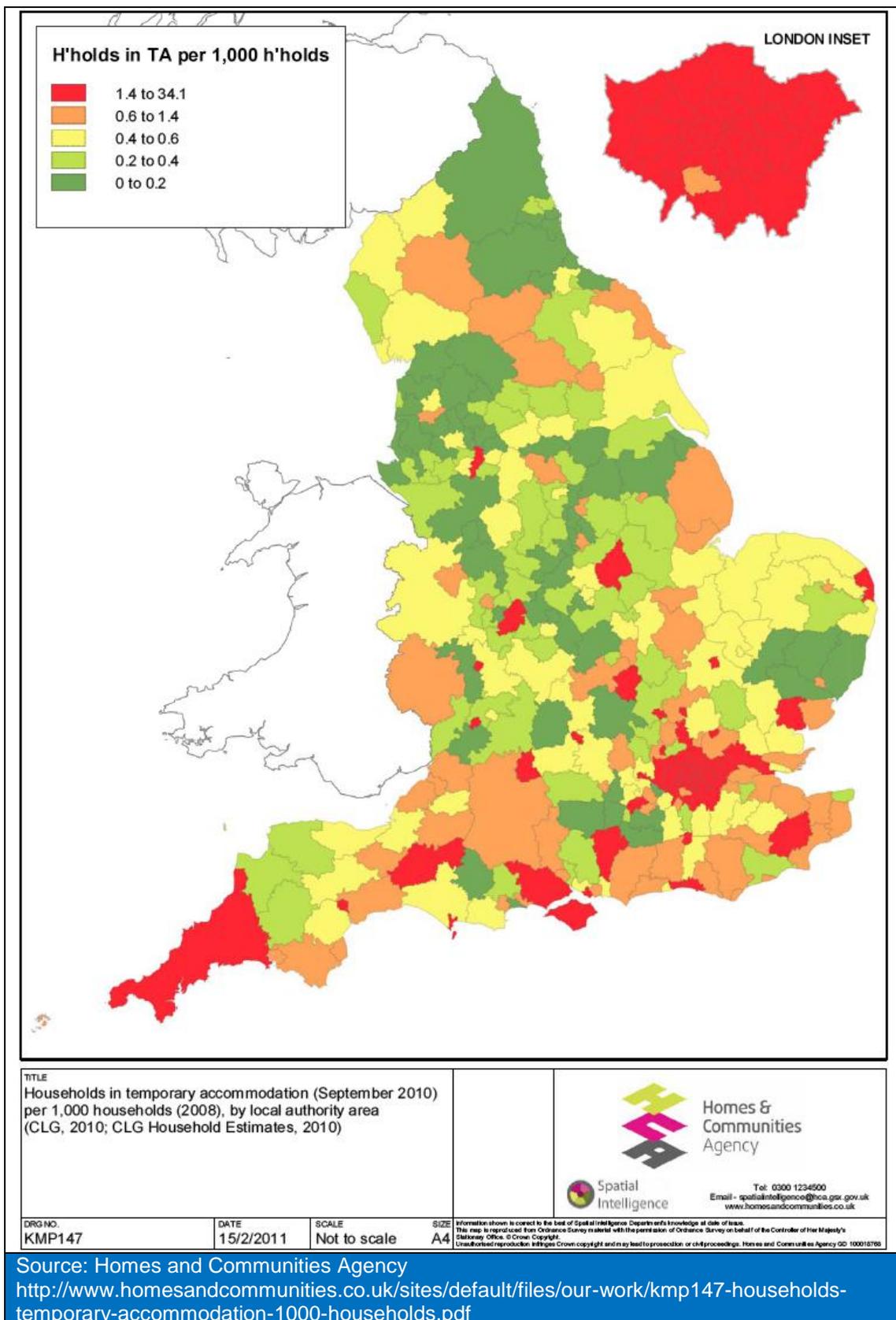
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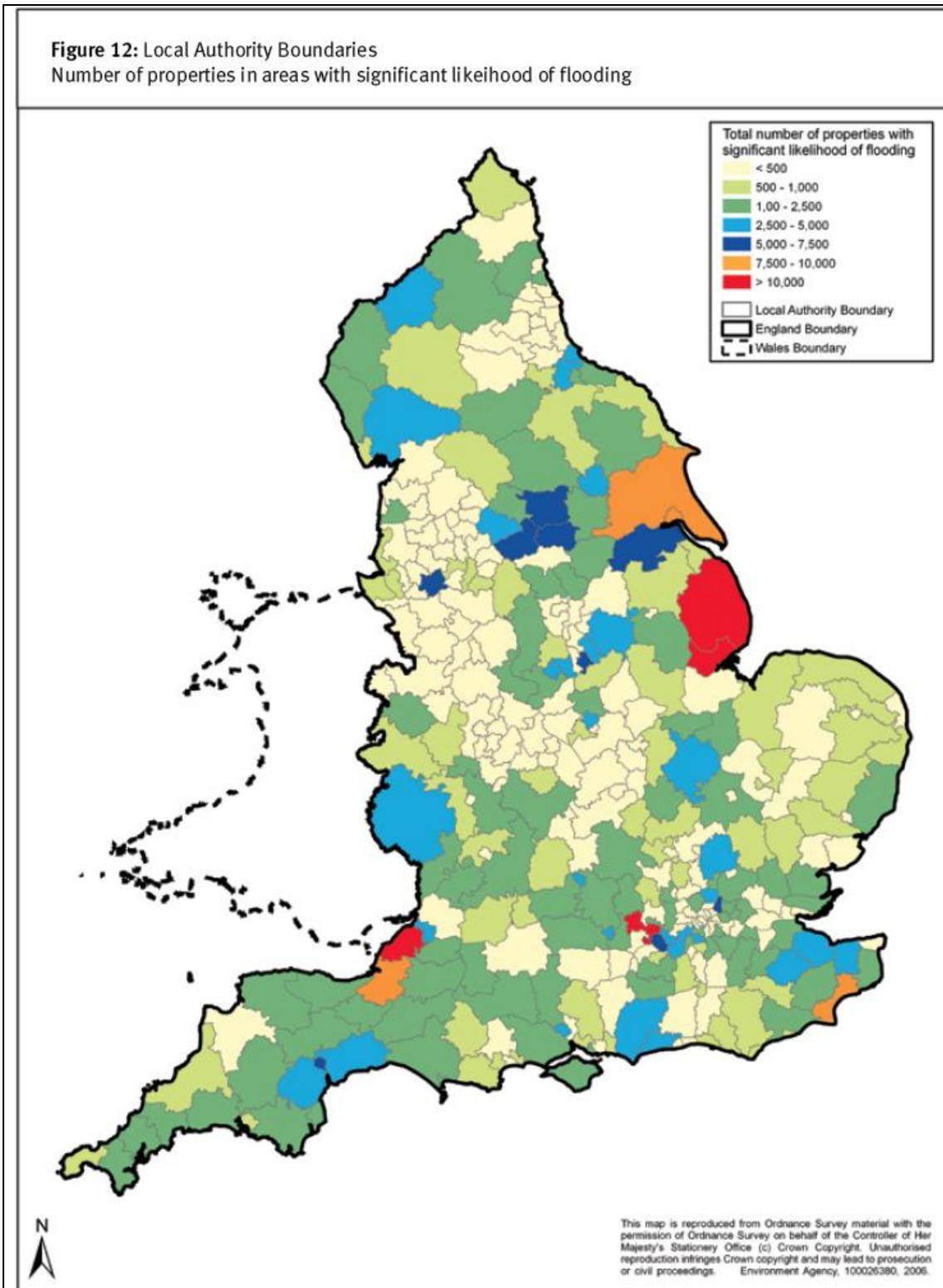
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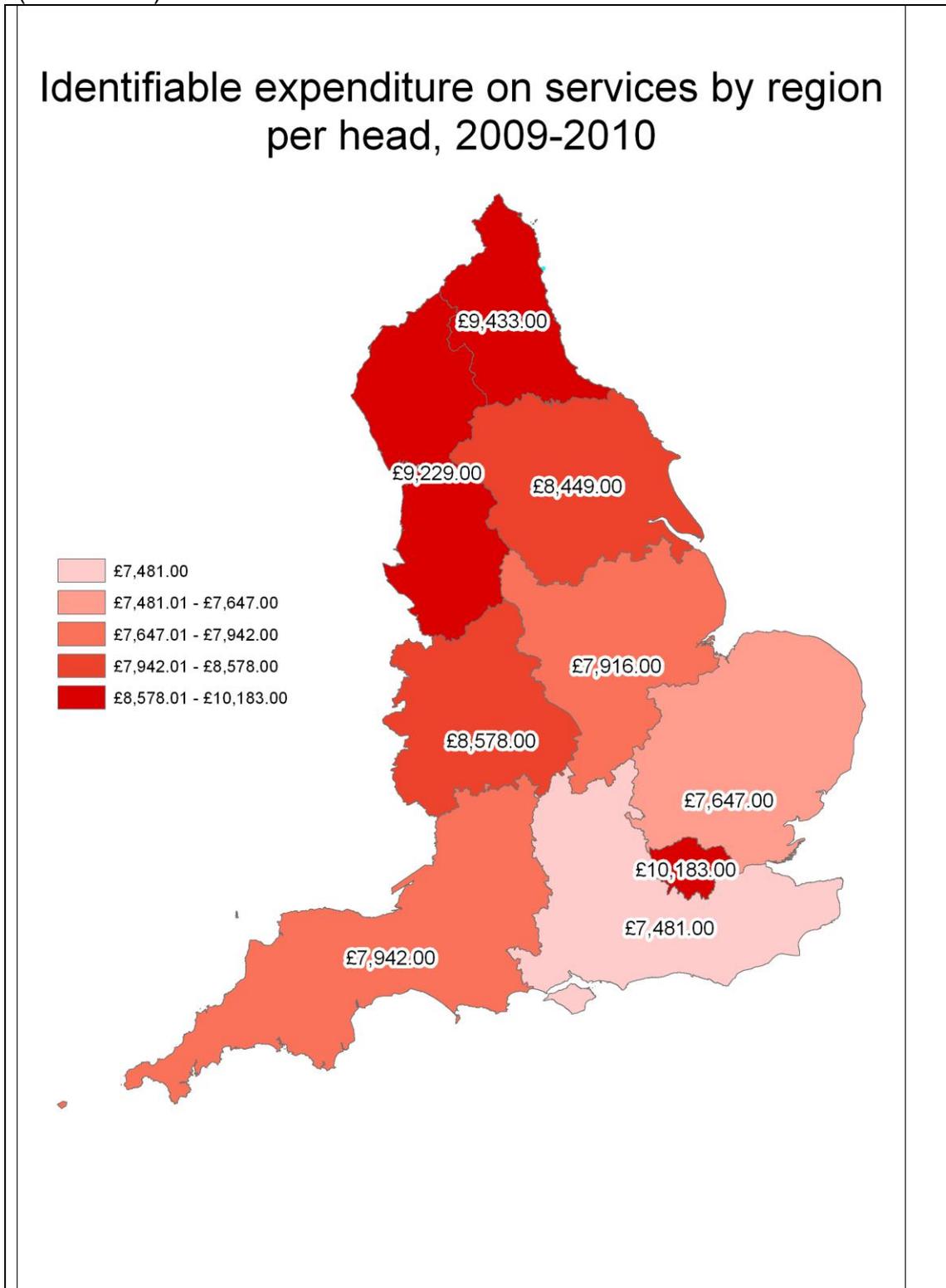
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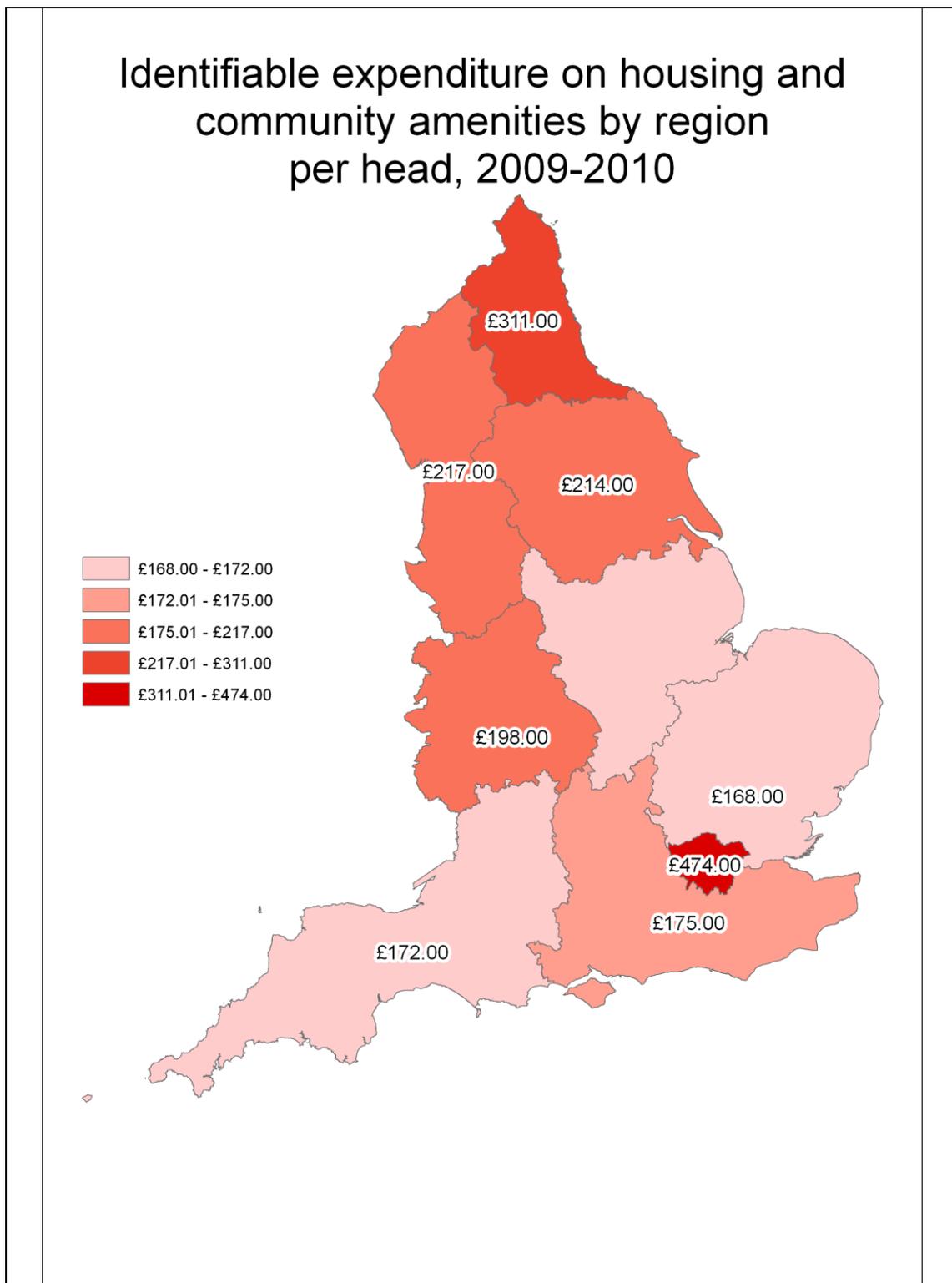
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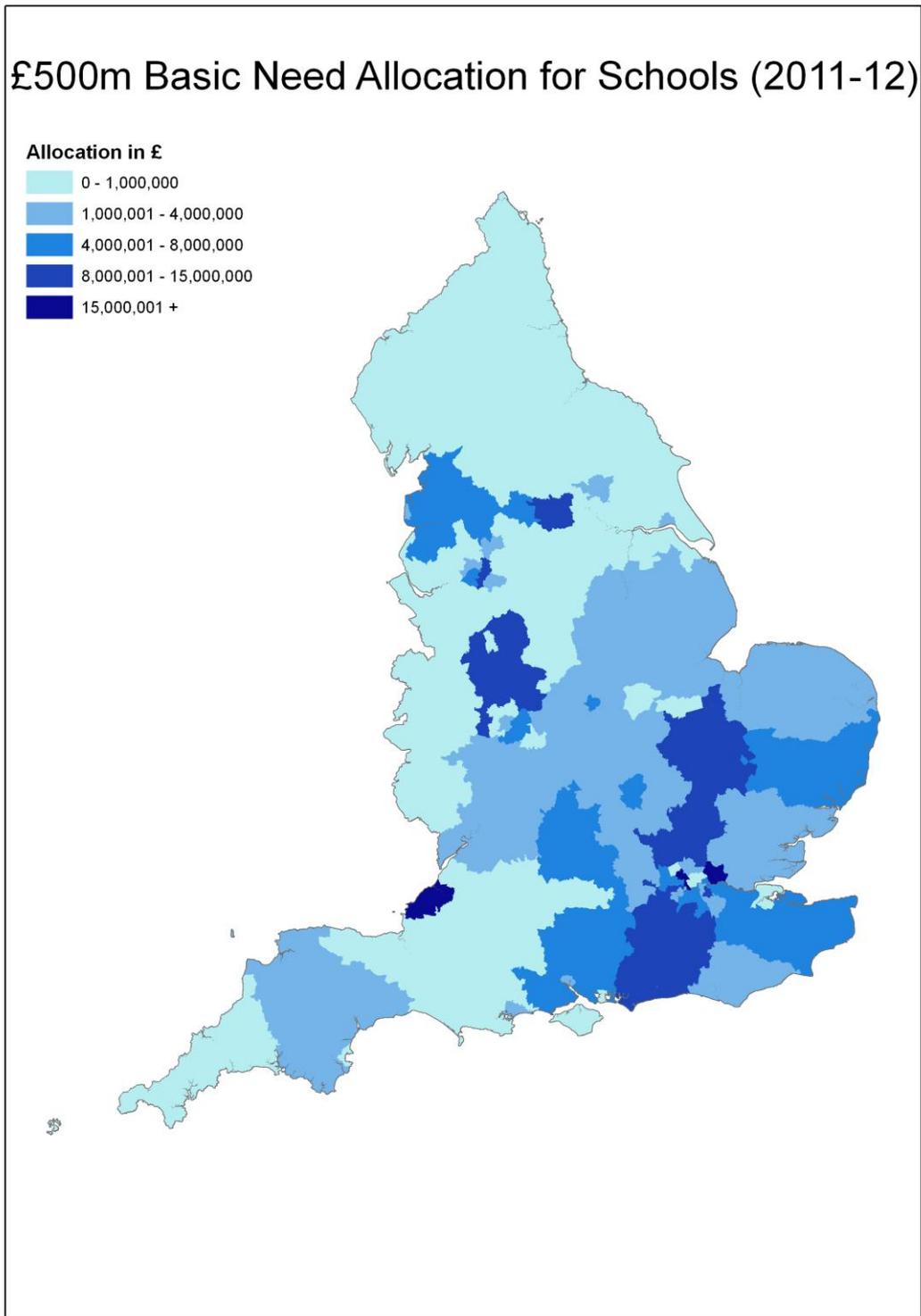
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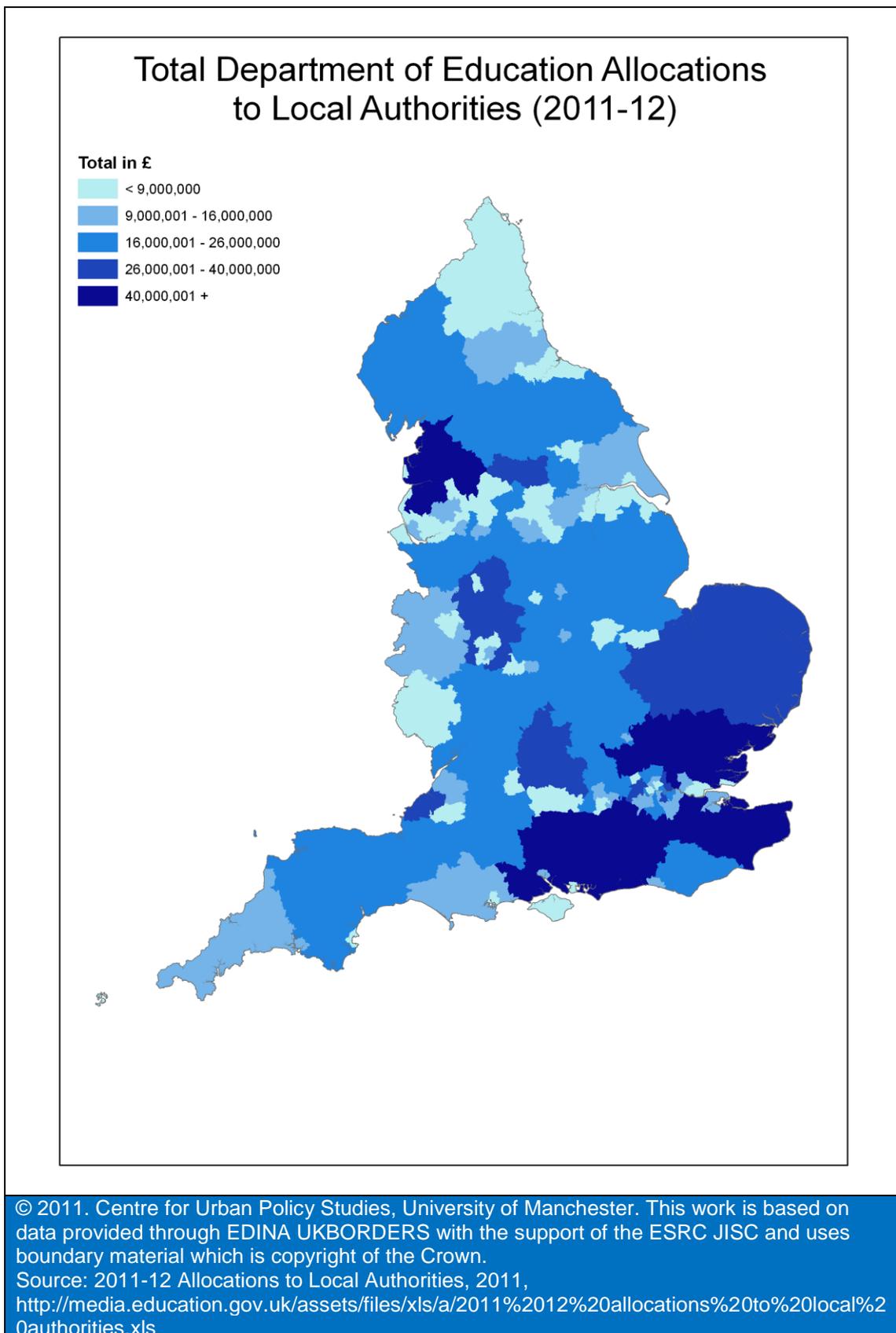
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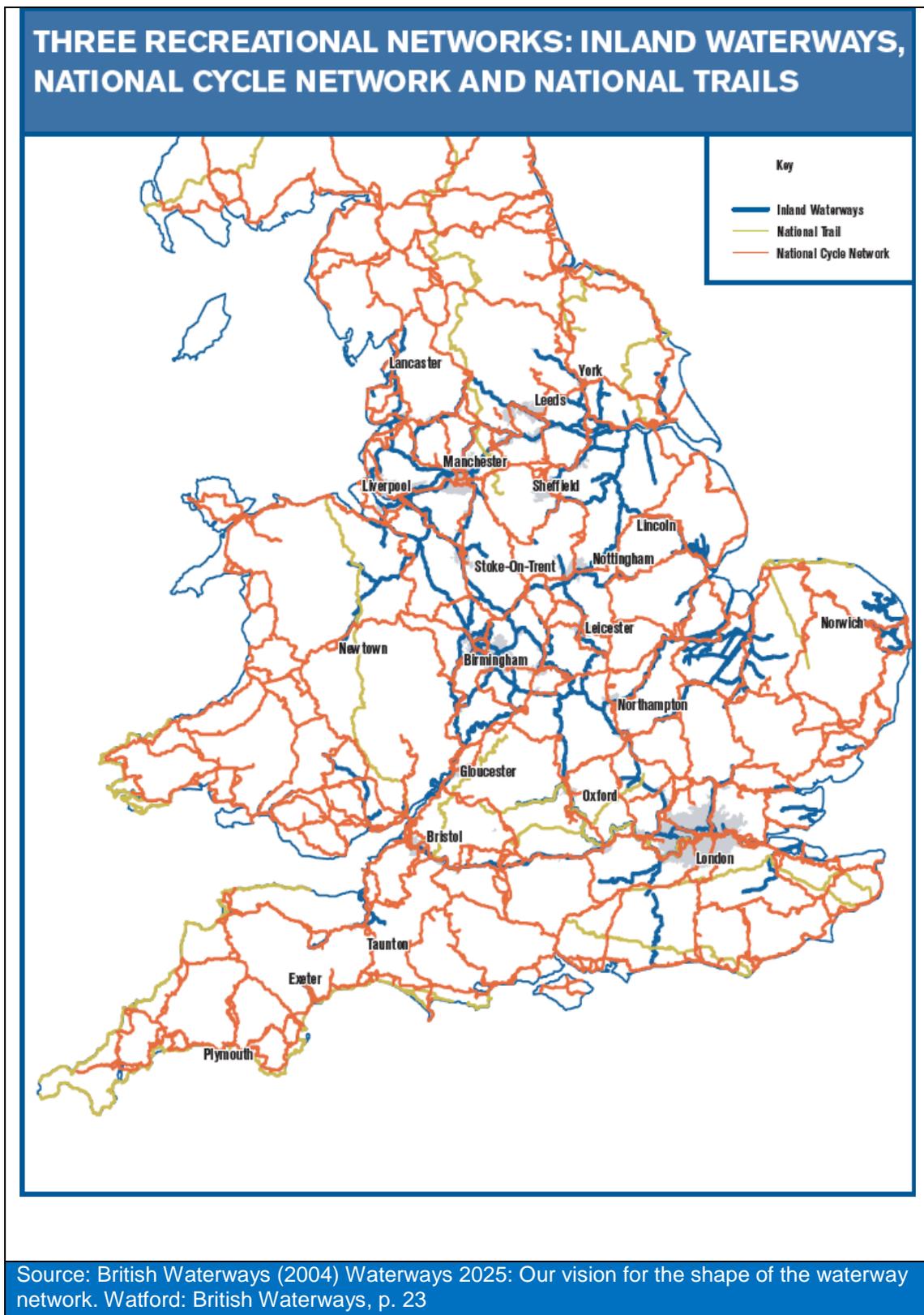
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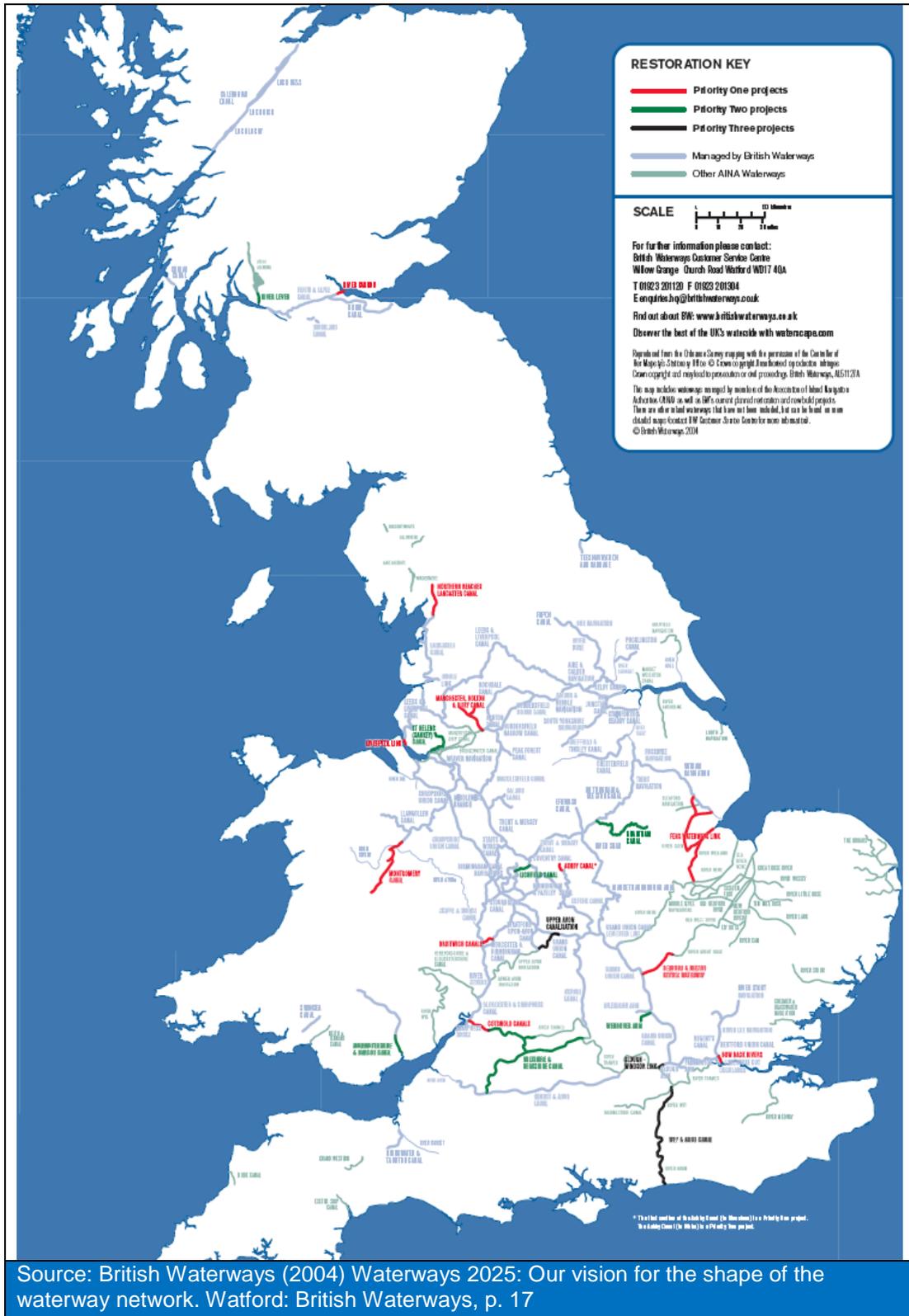
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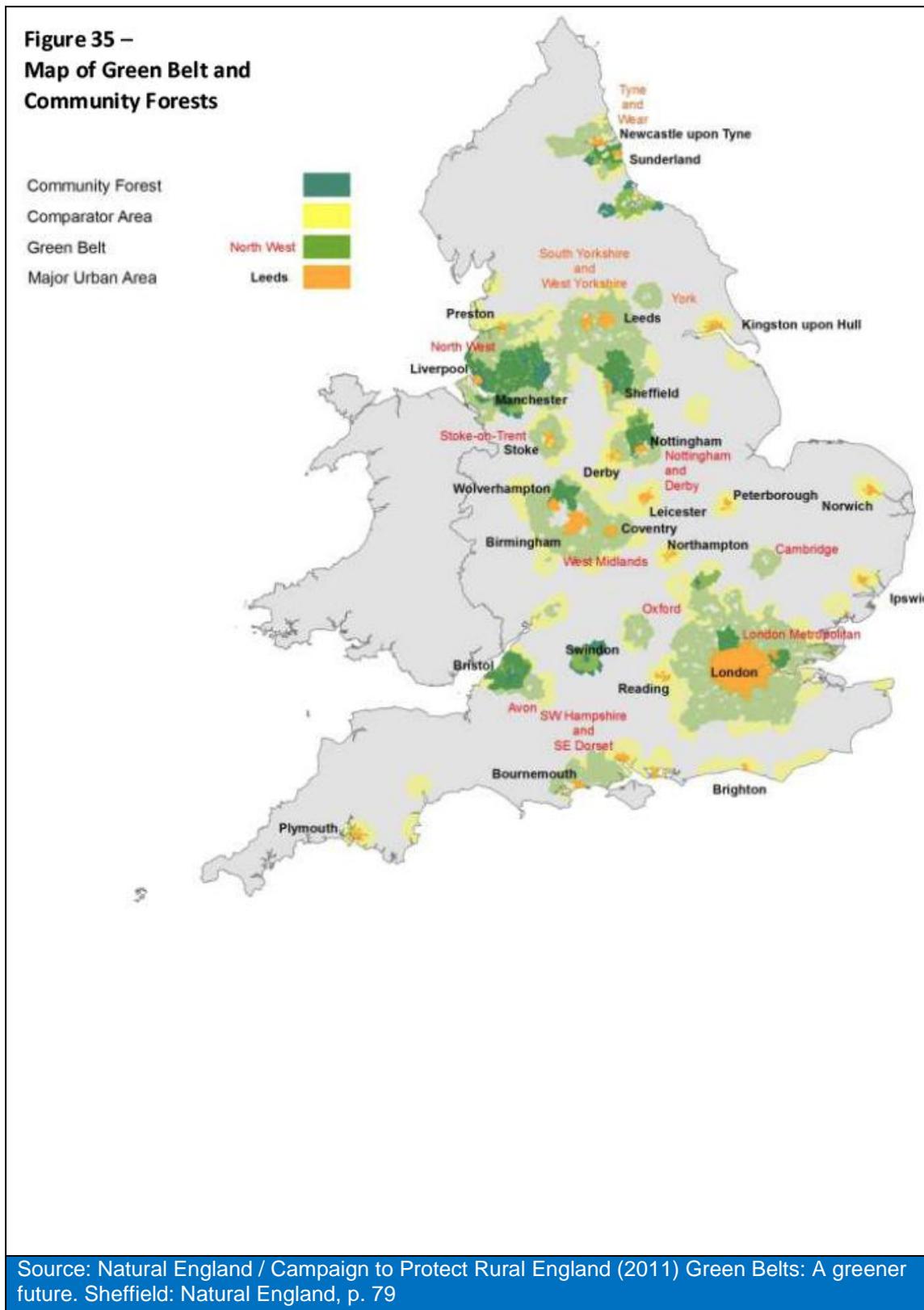
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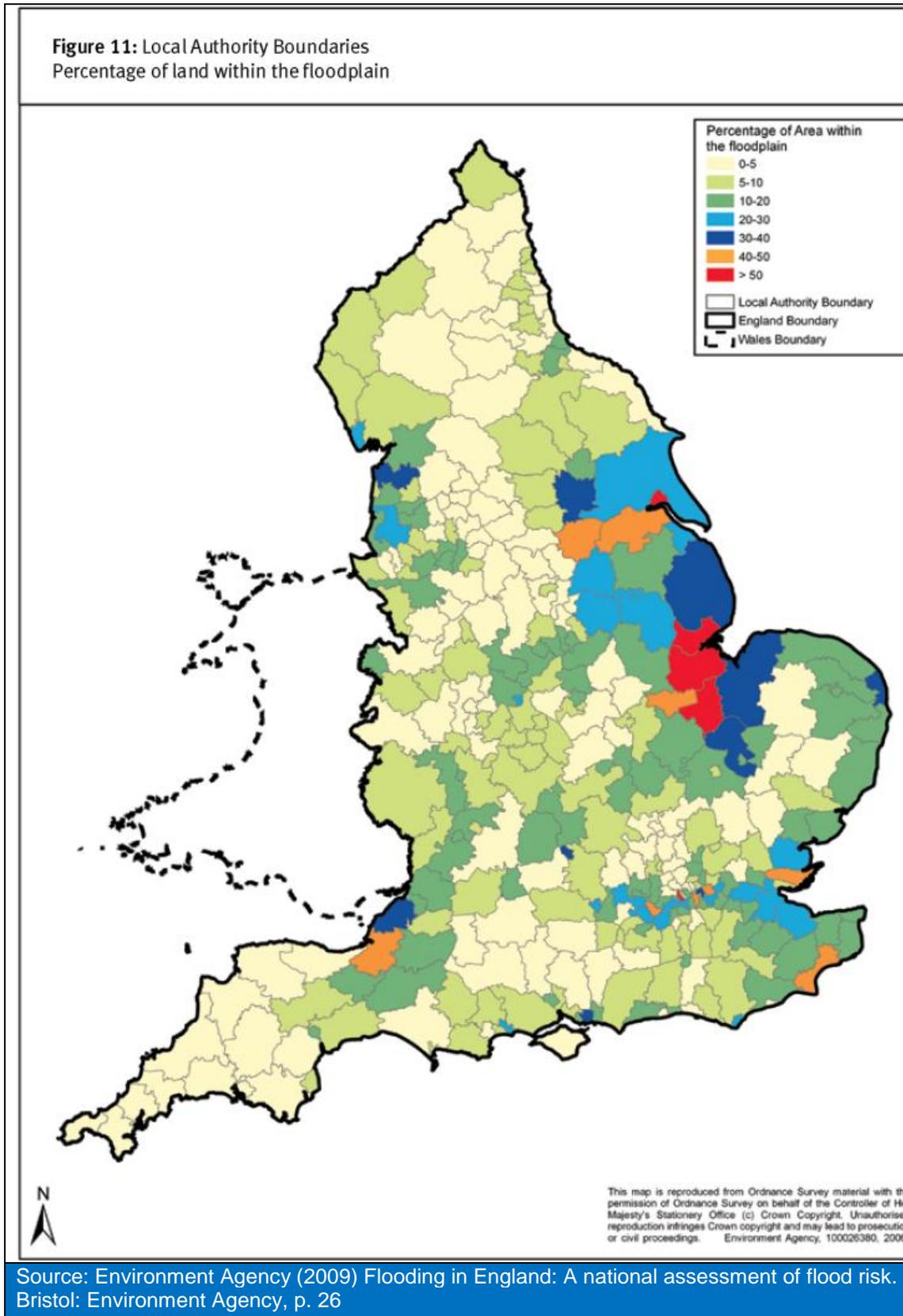
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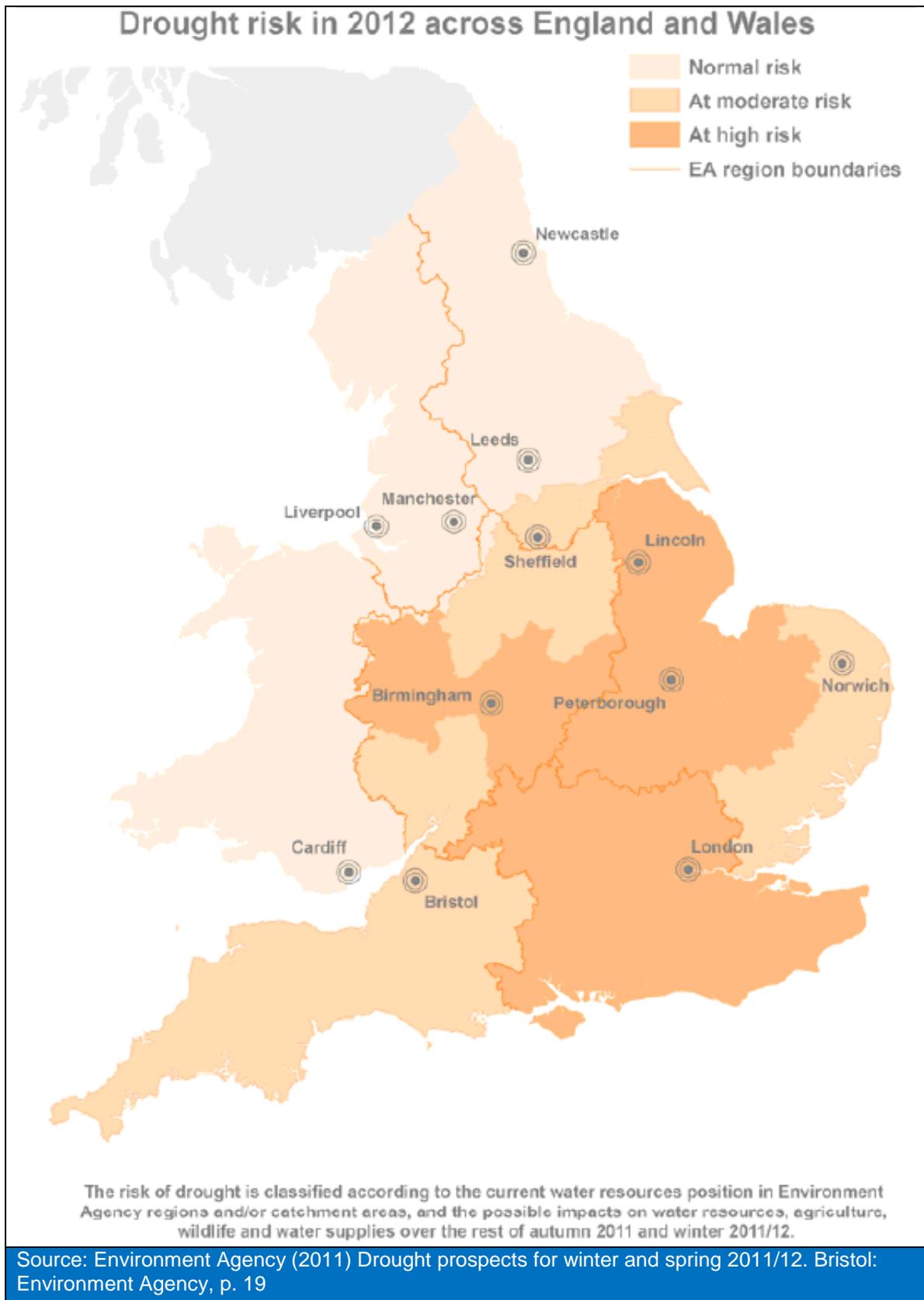
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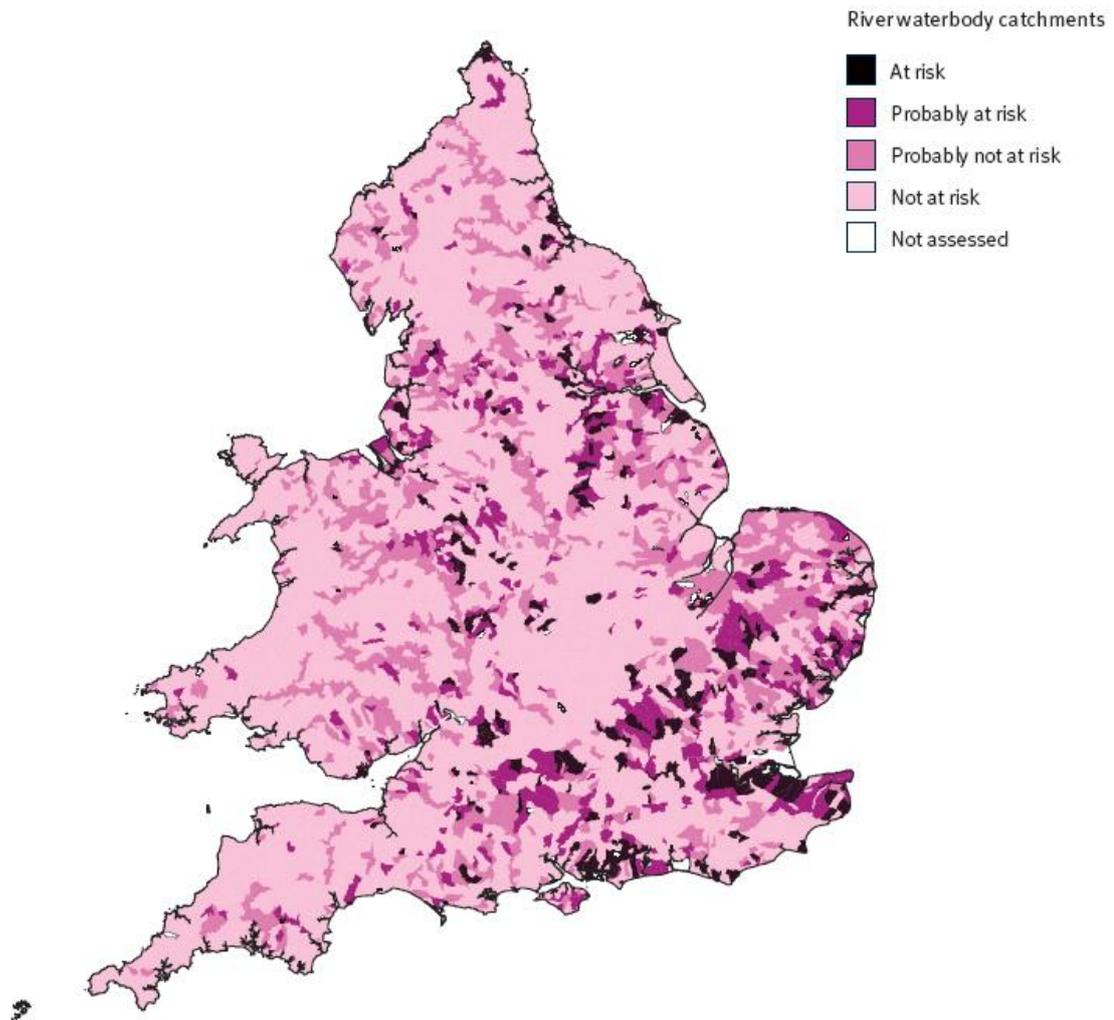
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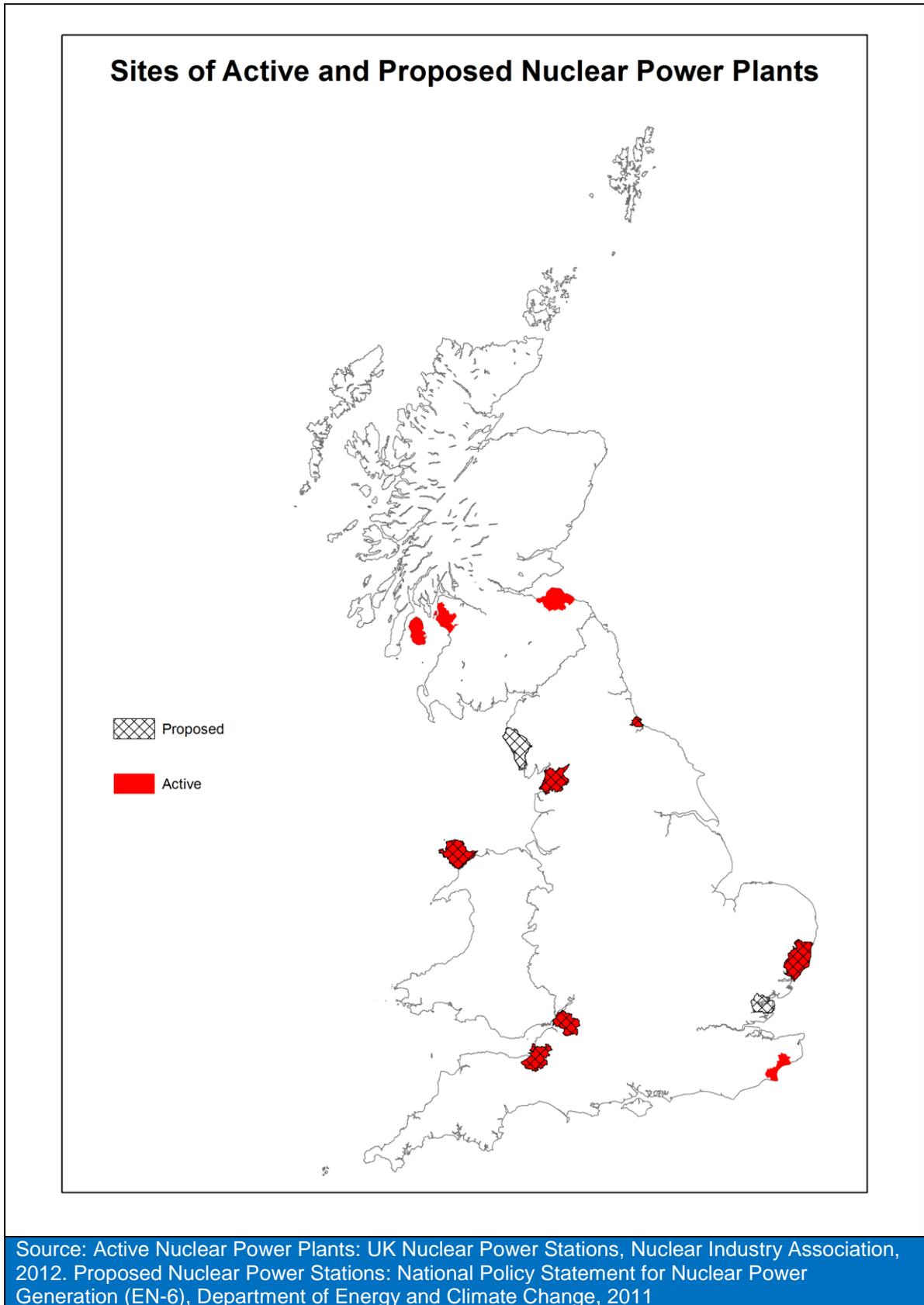
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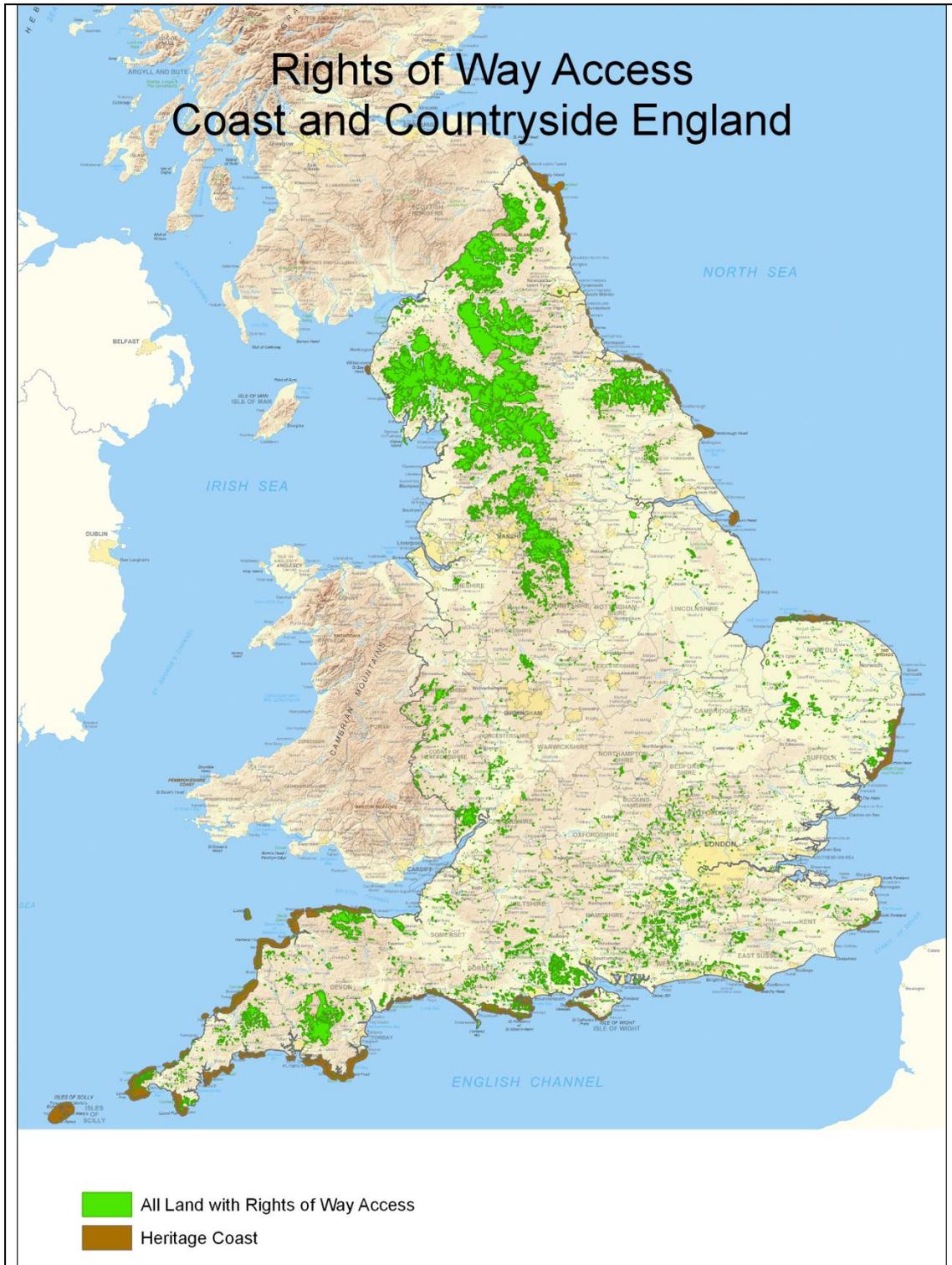
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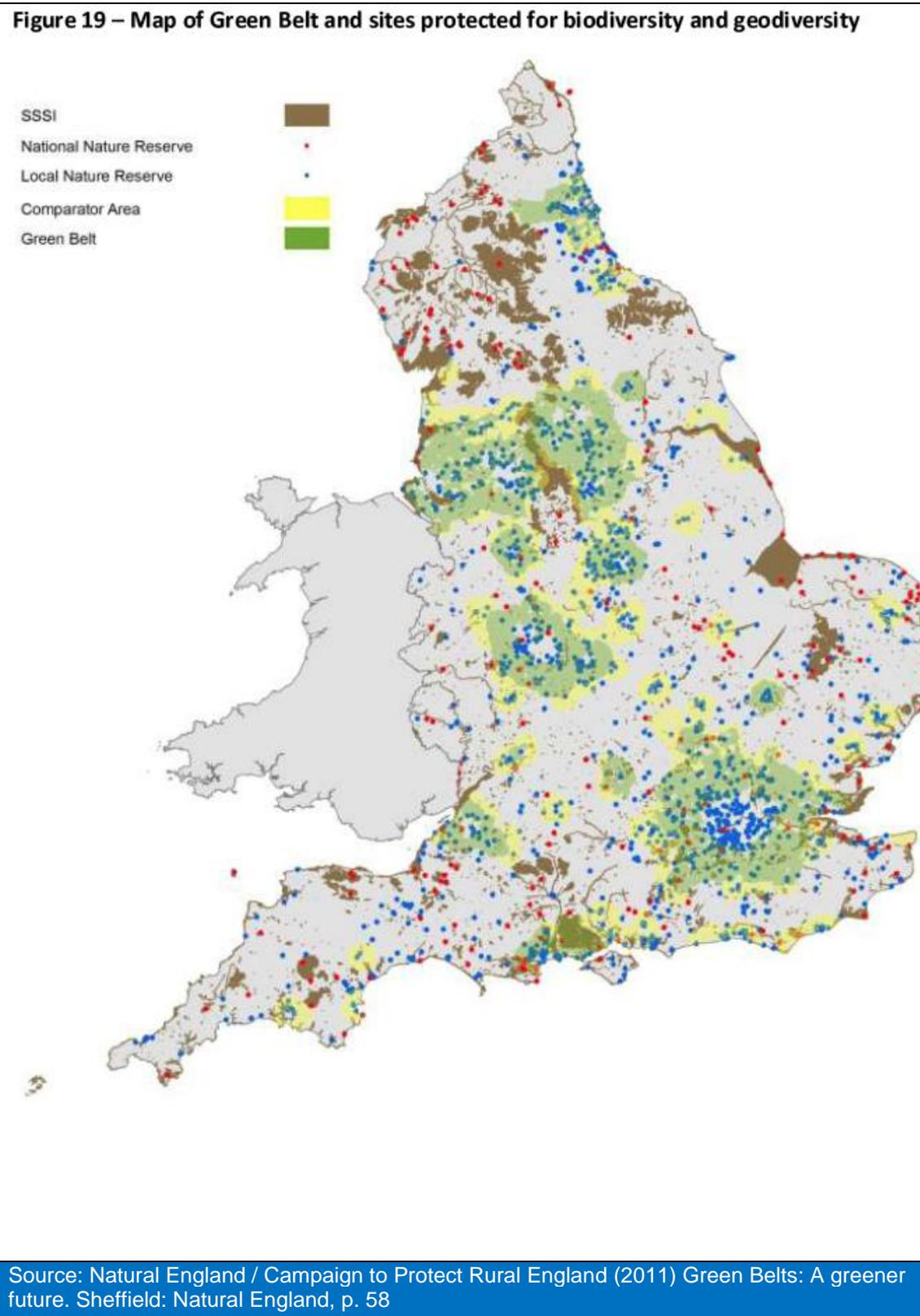


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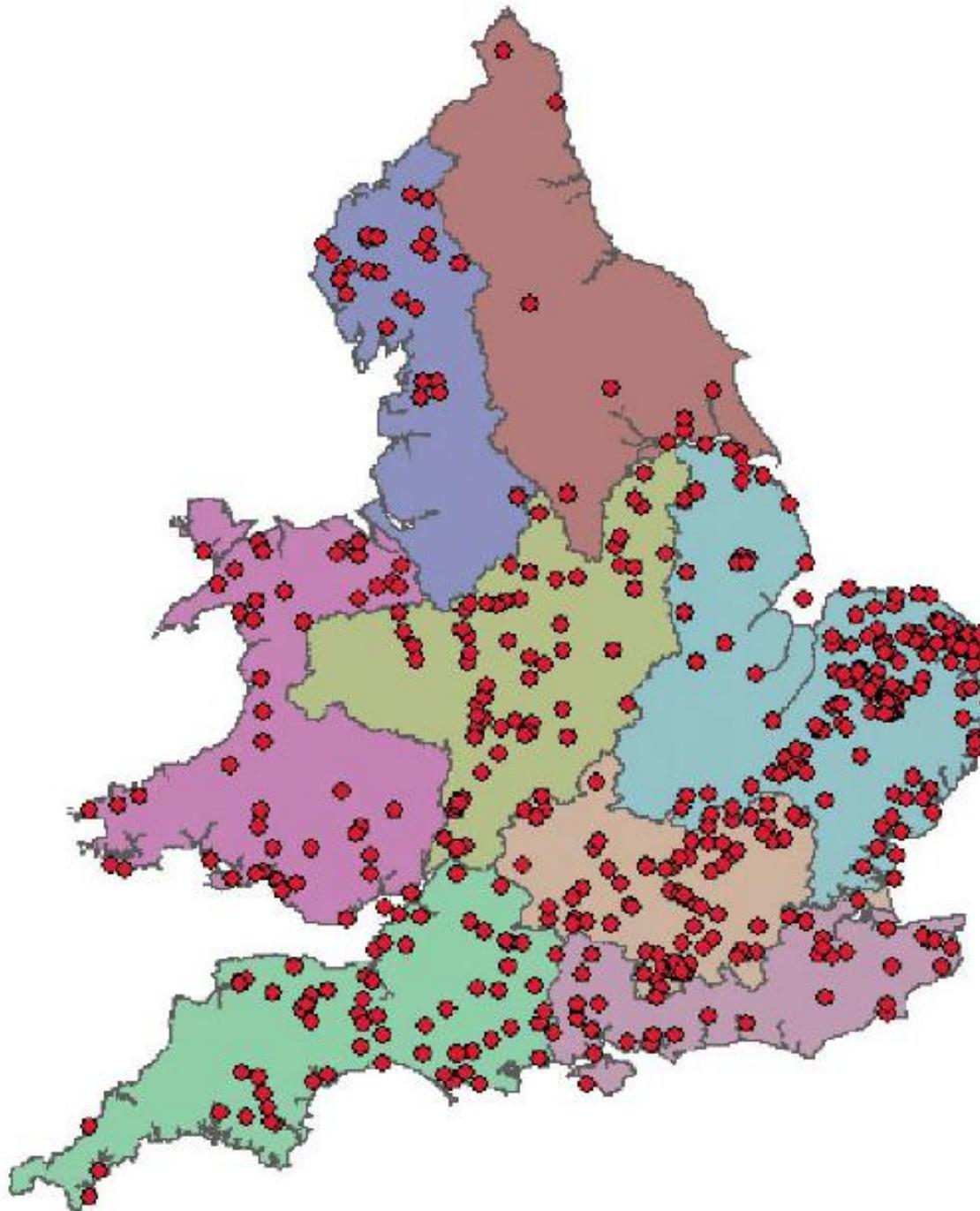
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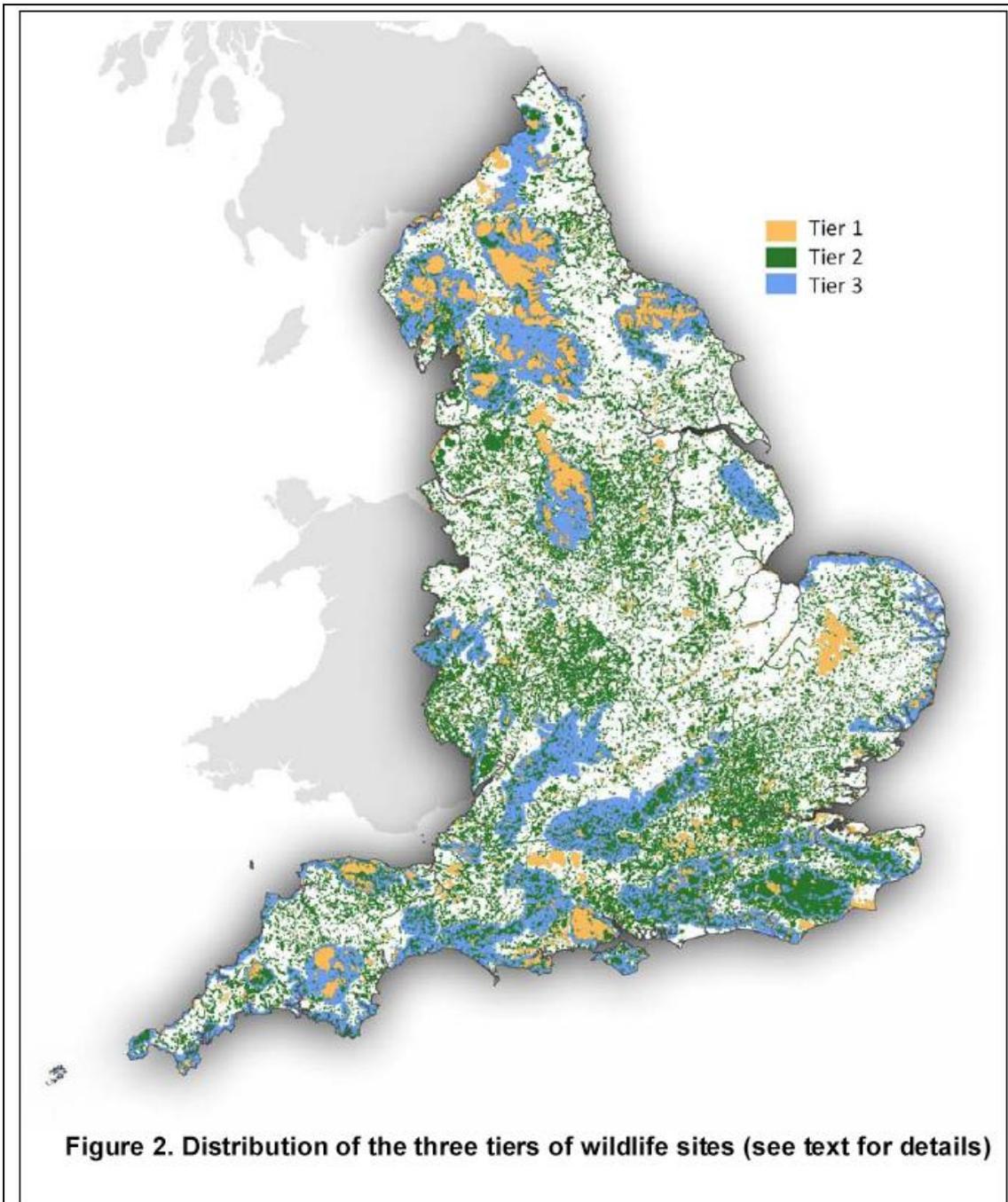
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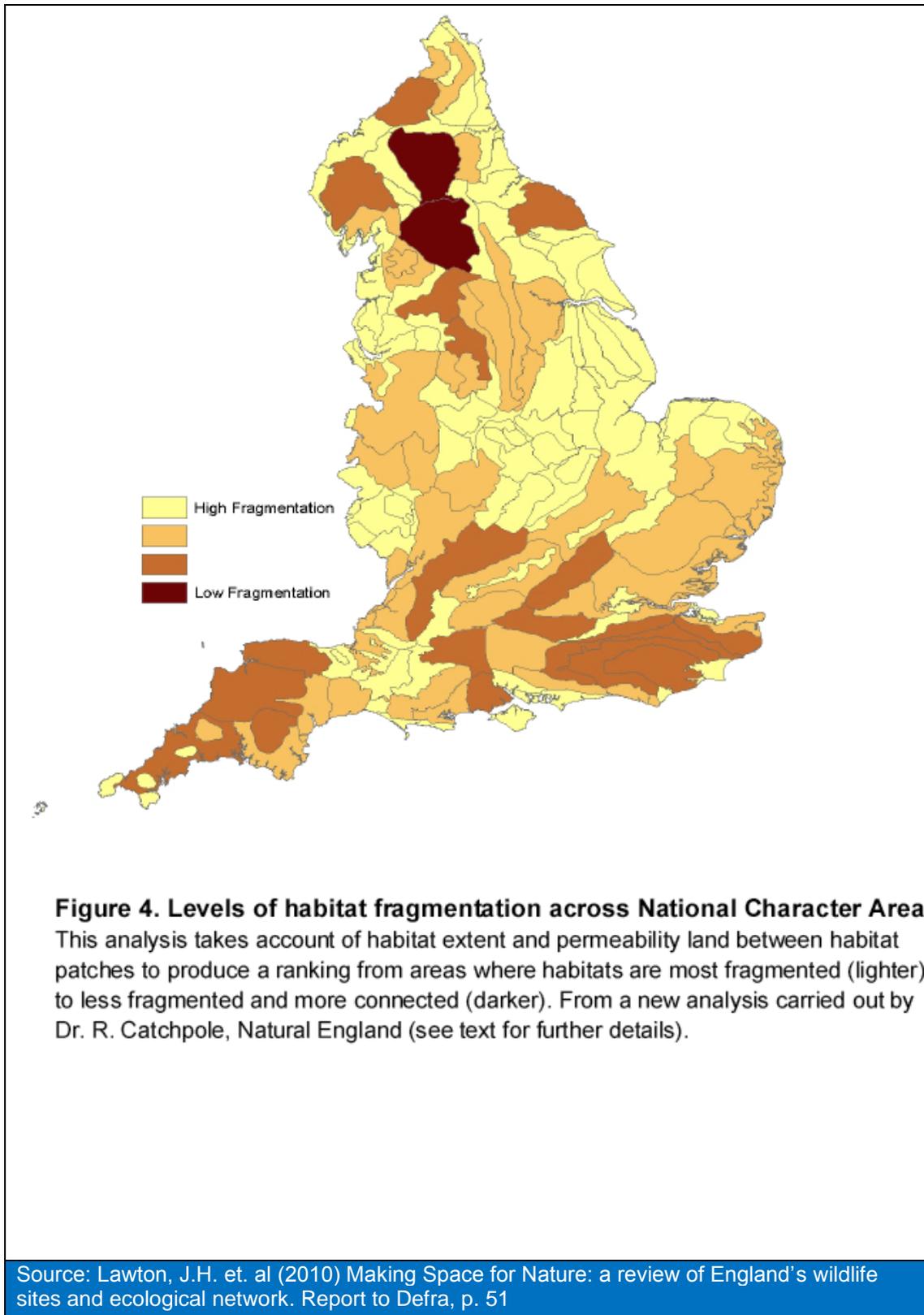
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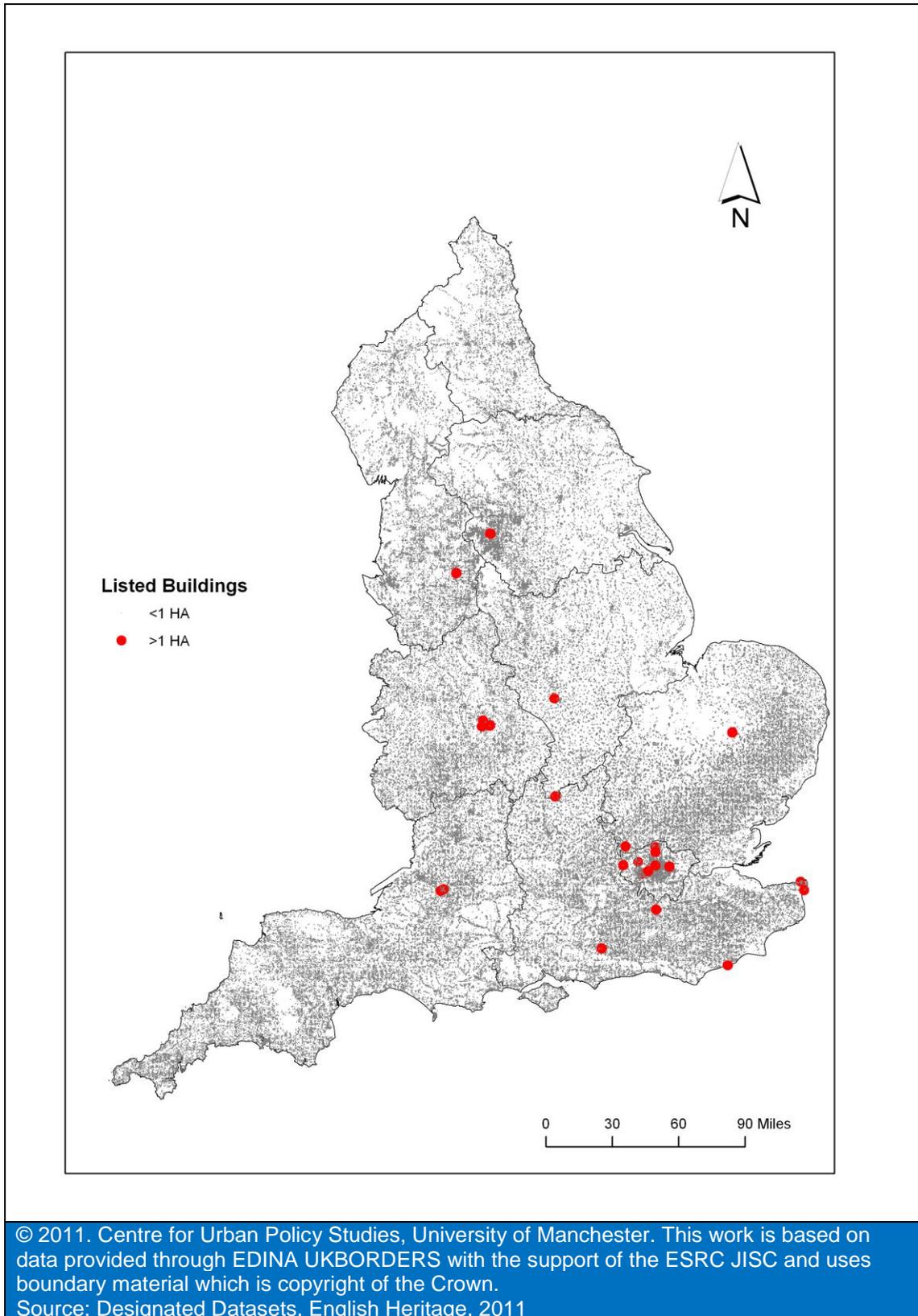
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Figure PP-3.10: Distribution of Listed Buildings



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Figure PP-3.11: Distribution of Protected Sites and Monuments

