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ONS lead

- Biennial environmental multi-source topic report pulling together natural resources accounts, physical flow accounts and monetary accounts into a single web-based PDF publication.
- Review of material flows accounts focusing on timeliness, international comparability, comprehensiveness (inclusion of data on waste and emissions to water), policy relevance (impact of recycling and changes in trade flows) and accuracy of estimates of hidden flows.
- Report of the impact of household on the environment by region, age and household composition. The draft report looks at direct and indirect emissions from energy, transport and consumption.
- Review of public sector environmental protection expenditure with the aim to improve data sources either by identifying expenditure through HM Treasury's public expenditure database or though the individual project sponsors/managers.
- Compilation of a sectoral analysis of environmental taxes using information from inputoutput analysis and, where possible, from information provided by the revenue/duty managers.

Defra lead

- Publication of a consultation paper on decoupling indicators, based in part upon the environmental accounts
- Research into environmental accounts for agriculture, covering both beneficial and damaging impacts from farming in monetary and physical terms
- Development of an indicator of the environmental impact of 'food miles' the distance that food travels from farm gate to plate, including overseas impacts
- The collection of information on environmental expenditures by farmers and on the value of savings from resource productivity improvements