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## **Country report – United Kingdom**

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- Continued biannual environmental multi-source topic report pulling together natural resources accounts, physical flow accounts and monetary accounts into a single web-based PDF publication.
- Report on the impact of households on the environment through the direct and indirect generation of greenhouse gas emissions published in October 2004 edition of *Economic Trends*.
- Improvements made to the forestry and waste accounts.
- Research has been completed into the relevance of resource flow accounting for sustainable consumption and production (SCP) policy. The report concludes that it is not currently possible to support SCP policy with consistent evidence from one comprehensive model. Instead, it recommends environmental input-output analysis for identifying priority flows within the domestic supply chain, complemented by a hybrid Life Cycle Analysis/Economy-wide MFA for tracking and assessing the impact of key resource flows.
- Other research has looked at the feasibility of assessing the environmental impact of the contents of a typical shopping trolley; at how environmental limits might be defined and assessed; at the impact of “lifestyles” on energy use; and at the impacts on biodiversity overseas caused by the production of imports into the UK.