

Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty

A designation for the 21st century

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for life
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ASSOCIATION
Areas of Outstanding
Natural Beauty

>19,312km of footpaths
and bridleways pass through
AONBs including 10 National Trails

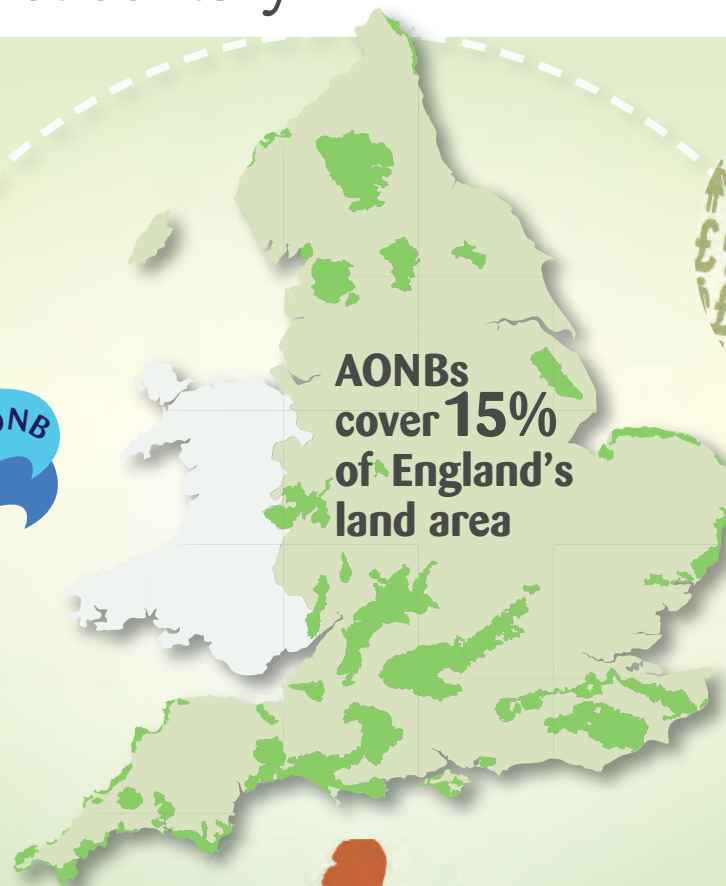
Just under
1/5th
of the English coast is in an AONB

Peat soils in
AONBs store
millions of tonnes
of **CO₂**
per year

156m
people

visit AONBs
annually,
spending in
excess of **£2bn**
and supporting
thousands of jobs
and businesses

AONBs are
home to over
1 million
people



256,000
hectares

of SSSIs are
in AONBs –
protecting
some of our
most important
wildlife habitats

Public spending
on AONBs is
LESS THAN
20p
PER PERSON
PER YEAR

GVA of AONBs is
£16.5BN
– similar to that of the
city of Leeds

x10
AONBs
provide excellent
VFM. Every public £1
invested is turned into
£10 by the AONB
partnerships



AONB
volunteers
put in over
457,000
work days
a year, worth
£36.8m
to conserve the
landscape and improve
access

