

## The UK in 100 Seconds

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### Before you watch

Match the words with the definitions.

population	to be over something
to cover	a large amount of fruits or vegetables grown on a farm
a peat bog	a plant grown to make bread, pasta, etc.
a crop	the number of people who live somewhere
extinction	a situation in which a plant, an animal, etc. stops existing
wheat	wet spongy ground, some kind of swamp

### Transcript

Daniel Raven Ellison: What does the United Kingdom really look like? Let's walk across this country in one hundred seconds. Each second of the walk shows you 1 percent of the UK from above. Are you ready for the UK in 100 seconds? OK, let's go.

The UK has a population of about 66 million people. Their towns and cities, with houses and gardens, cover five percent of the country. That's five seconds of our walk.

We spend six seconds walking over grassland. Then we walk over moors and past sheep for seven seconds— that's seven percent.

These are peat bogs. They cover nine percent of the country. And don't they look beautiful?

Then, for ten seconds, we're in the forest. Trees cover about ten percent of the country. The forest is my favorite place!

For 27 seconds, we walk through fields with crops. Farm animals eat half of the crops. Farmers grow the crops that go into our food, like bread and oil. In June, they mostly grow wheat, barley, oil seeds, peas and beans, corn, oats, and vegetables.

For the last 28 seconds—that's 28 percent of the UK—we walked through fields with farm animals, like cows and sheep.

So now we're at the end of our walk. We saw cities with people, woodlands, fields of crops, and with the most space being given to fields of cows and sheep.

At a time when 1 in 10 British species are at risk of extinction, what do you think? Could the country make more space for nature?

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### **After you watch**

Try to inform a friend about the topic using three new words that you have learned watching the video. Also, remember you can read the transcript at any time.

