



## Terms used in official statistics



### Protection of nature

#### Definition:

Nature protection consists of preservation, sustainable use, and restoration of resources, formations and elements of nature.

Resources, formations and elements of nature include:

- wild plants, animals, and fungi; species of plants, animals, and fungi under species protection
- migratory animals;
- nature habitats;
- habitats of endangered, rare and protected species of plants, animals and fungi;
- features of animate and inanimate nature as well as remnants of fossil plants and animals;
- landscape;
- rural and urban green lands;
- trees and shrubs outside the forest.

#### Source:

- Act of 16 April 2004 on Nature Protection  
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#### Low-level terms:

- Protected landscape area
- Natura 2000
- Plant, animal and fungi species protection
- Landscape park
- National park
- Nature monument
- Nature reserve
- Documentation site
- Ecological area
- Natural and scenic complex

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