**Help build an urban tree canopy cover map for the UK!**

Are you interested in finding out about canopy cover in your local area? Would you like to help improve understanding of our urban tree resource?

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**What is canopy cover?**

Tree canopy cover is the area of ground directly covered by any amount of tree canopy - leaves or branches.

Tree canopy cover can vary greatly across urban areas.

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**Why assess canopy cover?**

The canopy of trees provides many benefits, such as making urban areas healthier, more enjoyable and more attractive places to live and visit.

Few towns and cities know their canopy cover. Fewer know how their canopy is distributed amongst the various wards.

By finding out the canopy cover at the ward-level, we can get a detailed picture of the distribution of this valuable resource. This will allow better management and identification of priority sites for future tree planting.
How to estimate canopy cover?
The free-to-use online tool i-TREE Canopy makes the assessment as easy as possible for you. It allows canopy cover to be estimated robustly and quickly (in around 1 hour) in comparison to other methods.

Visit our website for more information and instructions of how to use i-TREE Canopy. [https://www.forestrsearch.gov.uk/research/i-tree-eco/UrbanCanopyCover](https://www.forestrsearch.gov.uk/research/i-tree-eco/UrbanCanopyCover)

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Carry out a canopy cover assessment for your local area using our clear step by step guidance and help us to build a canopy cover map for the UK!

View canopy cover in your area!
Visit our online, interactive webmap to view individual ward canopy cover results, stats on average canopy cover and to check project progress. [https://bit.ly/2PT8Mlo](https://bit.ly/2PT8Mlo)