National Biodiversity Network Trust is making data work for nature



The NBN Atlas: Building capacity and connections

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Where we are today



Data on

51,000+

different species are available

1 billion+

species records downloaded

1,000+ datasets are available

300 million+

species occurrence records are shared



GBIF

100 million+

records from the NBN Atlas are being shared globally to the Global Biodiversity Information Facility (GBIF)



Our Mission

Making data work for nature

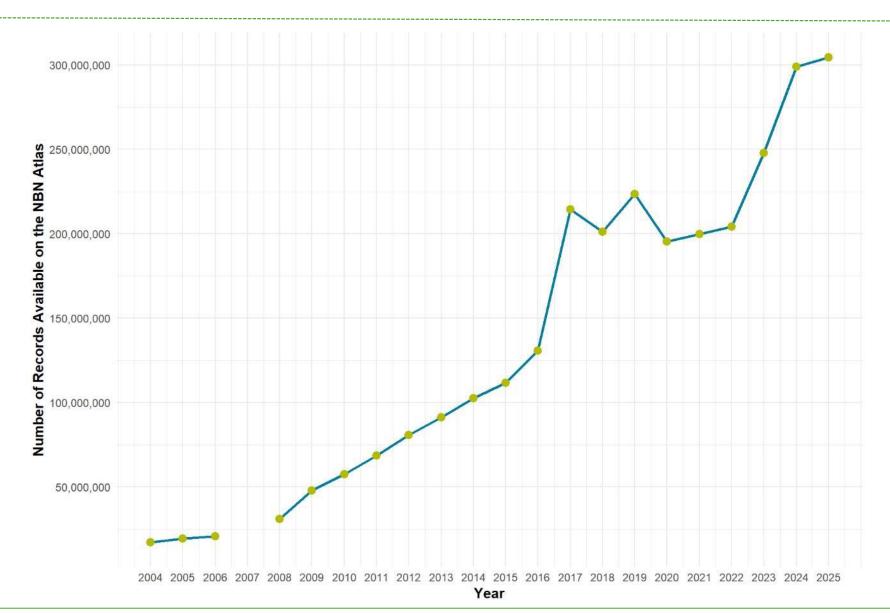
Biodiversity data is providing the **evidence** needed for **nature's recovery**

The NBN Atlas is the UK's national infrastructure for open species data.





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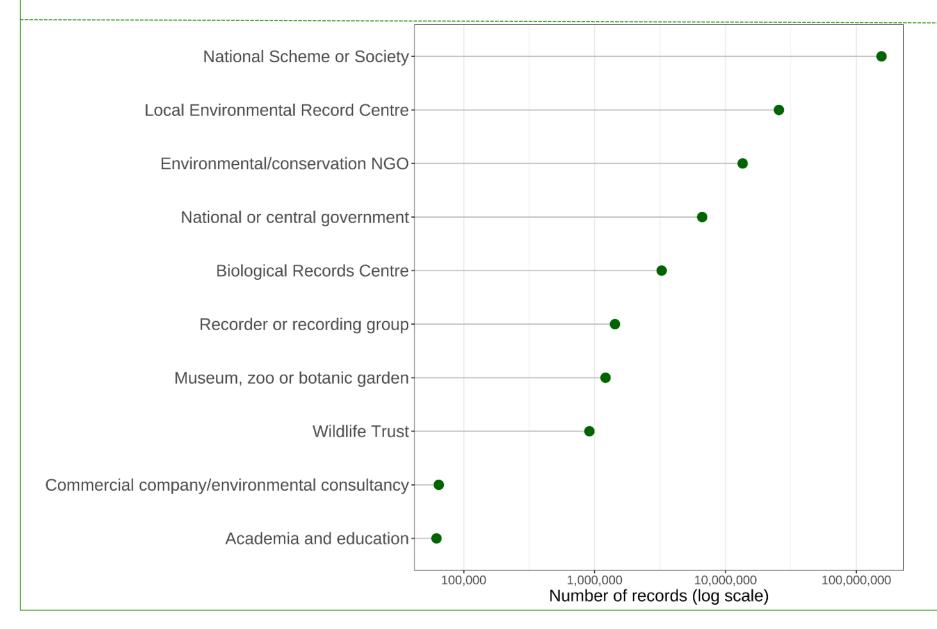


Number of Records on the NBN Atlas





Who shared the data?

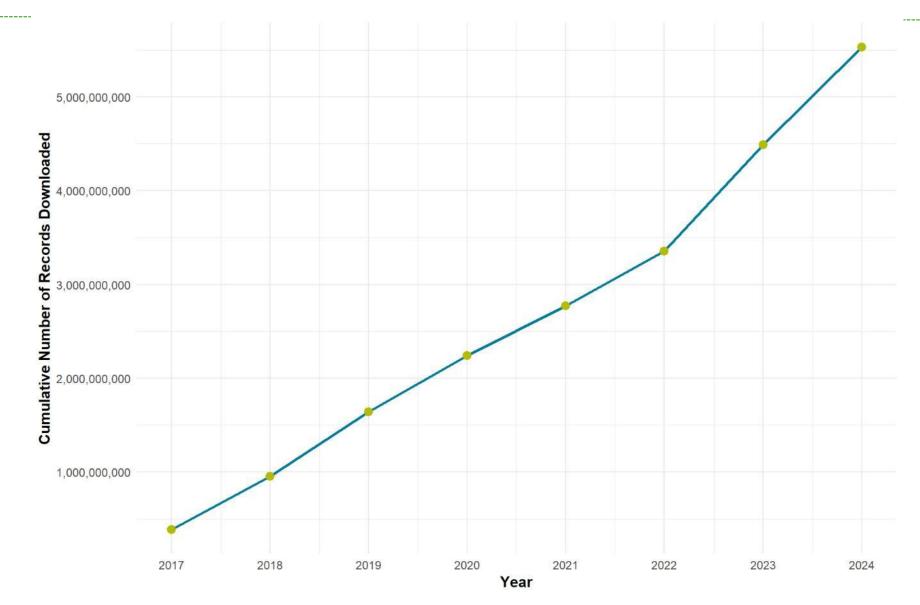


Types of NBN Atlas data partner





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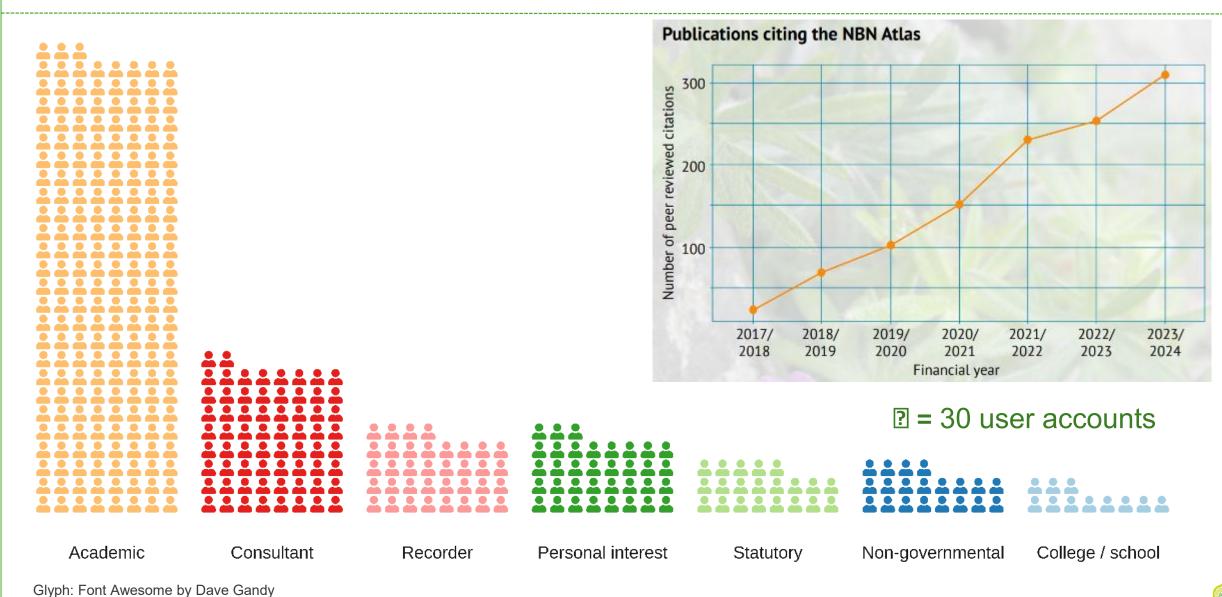


Cumulative downloads from the NBN Atlas

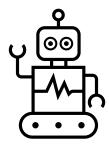




Who uses the data?







Pipelines

New pipeline data processing platform



- Integration testing
- **Data ingestion**
- Imminent switchover



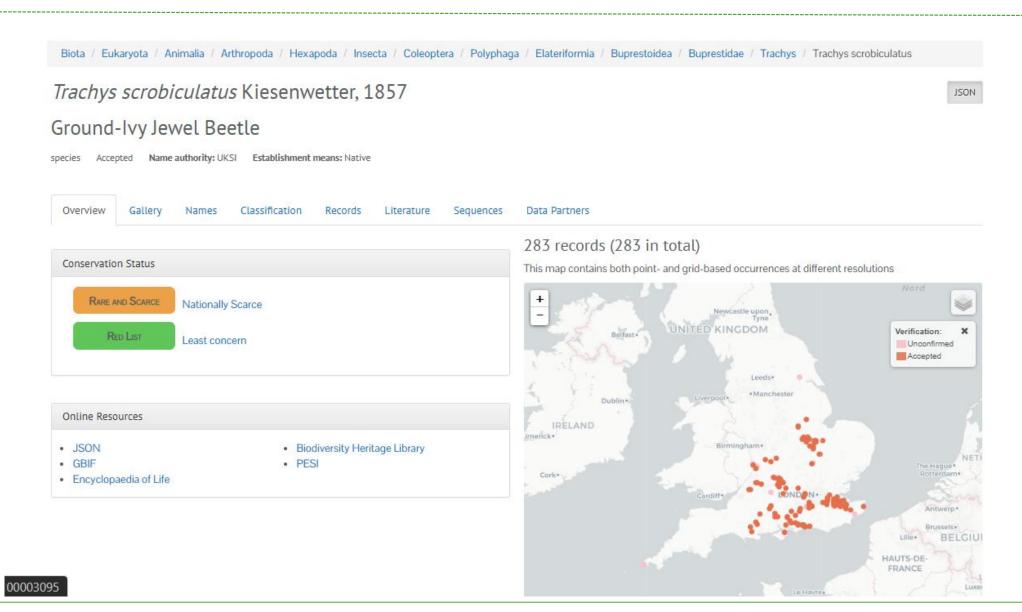
Accelerator

Technical enhancements and strategy development

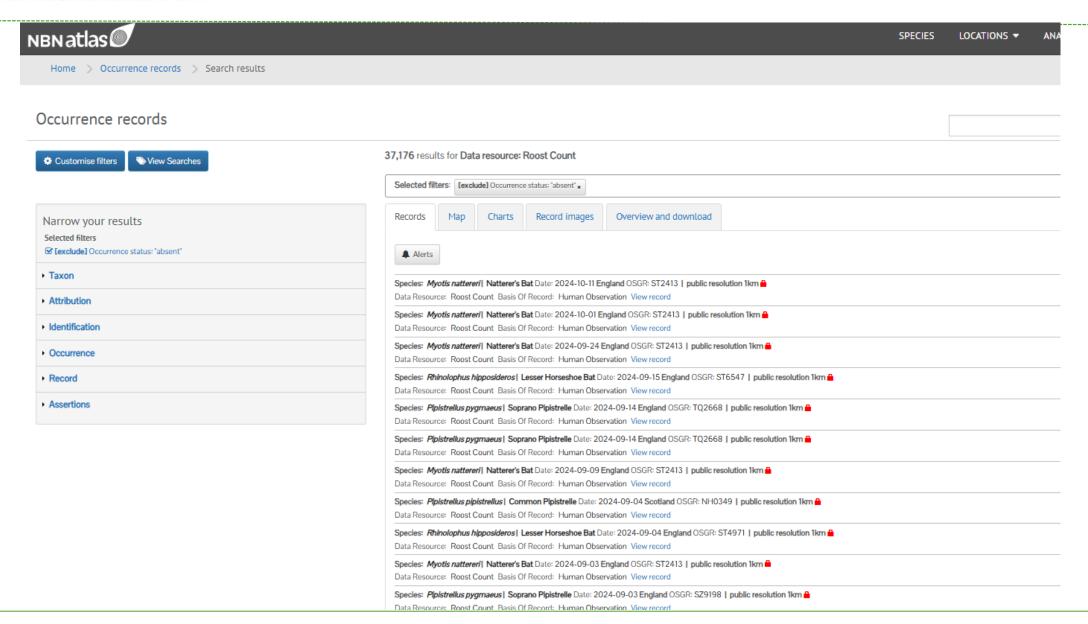
- Rollout of Access Controls
- **Data Profiles**
- **Conservation Designations**
- Mapping upgrades and scoping further work
- User experience improvements



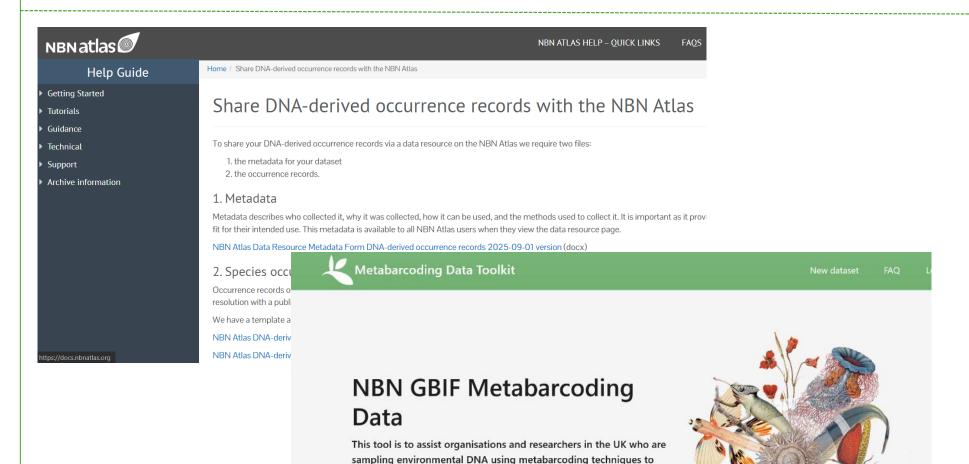












process their derived taxon occurrence records into Darwin Core Archives and share their OTU tables with the wider biological recording community, both national and internationally via GBIF.

This toolkit is being developed as part of the pilot phase of the GBIF Metabarcoding

Data Programme



GBIF node

Mobilising data to GBIF and reciprocal sharing

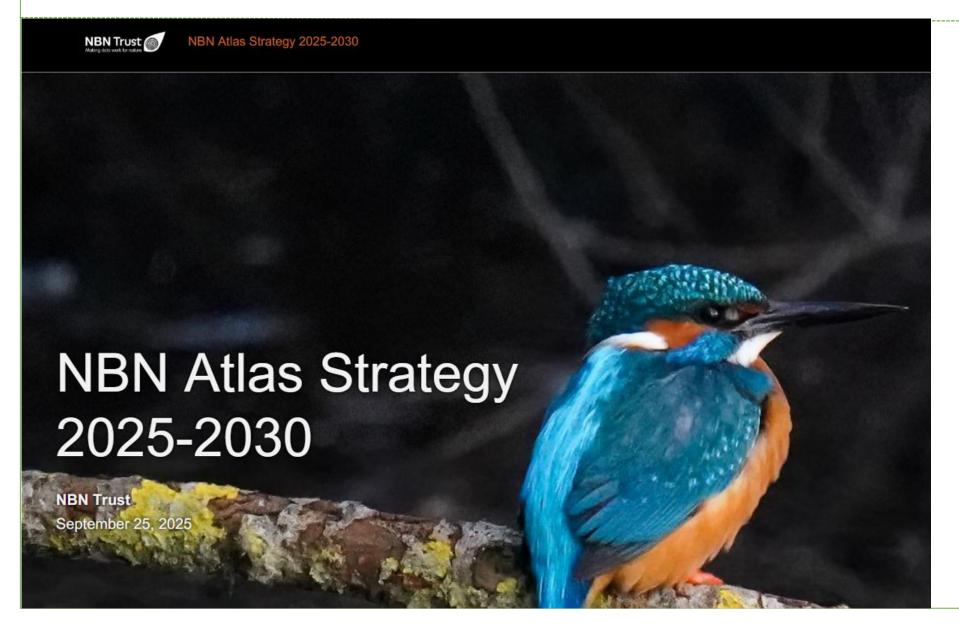
Contribute to R&D

e.g. standards for DNA-derived data





The NBN Atlas Strategy 2025-2030



Developed in consultation with NBN Atlas Stakeholder Advisory Group

Launched October 2025







Our Strategic Pillars



The NBN Atlas as a vital UK wildlife information tool

Provide accessible, intuitive conservation-relevant information

The NBN Atlas supports organisations working to restore and protect biodiversity

 Be a collaborative platform showcasing data partners

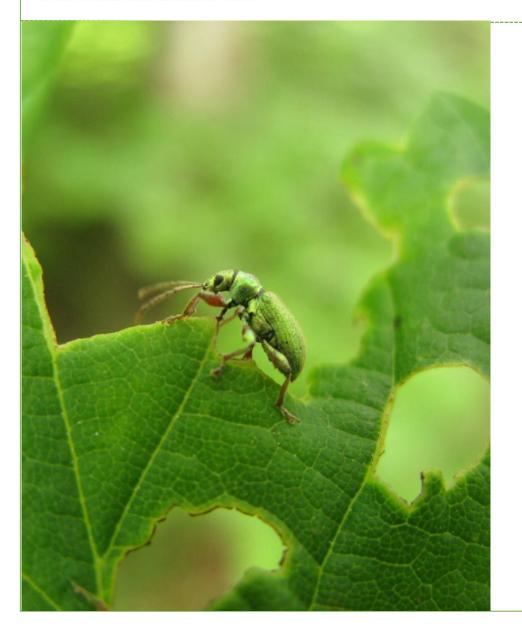
The NBN Atlas supports all biological recording

Share resources and knowledge on wildlife recording





Our Strategic Pillars



The NBN Atlas is a leader in UK biodiversity data sharing

Strengthen, modernise and adapt the platform

The NBN Atlas is the UK State of Nature data portal

Empower local and national biodiversity reporting

The NBN Atlas is innovative and embedded in nature recovery

Support the next wave of ecological monitoring and protection





Implementing the NBN Atlas strategy

Accelerator 2

- Implement developed and scoped upgrades from Accelerator project
- Improve data protection and user authentication
- Develop further iterations of Access Controls.

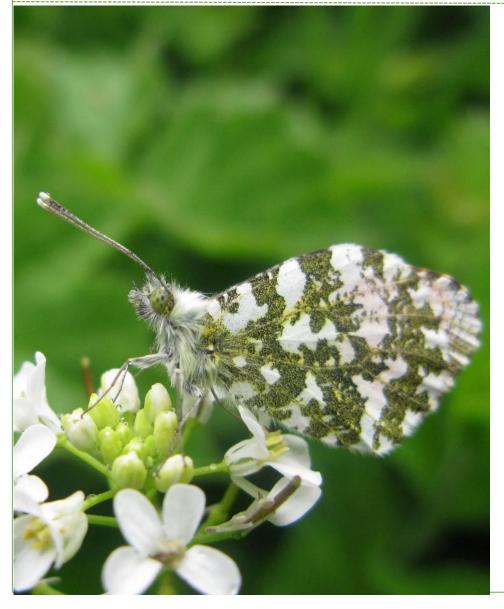
GBIF node

- Review and deploy the GBIF Integrated Publishing Toolkit (IPT) for simplified and more efficient data sharing with key providers.
- Inform the impact metrics linked to the needs of assessing UK biodiversity





Implementing the NBN Atlas strategy



iNaturalistUK



- Support biological recording through the National Education Nature Park programme
- Provide resources on recording best practice
- Continue to improve data flows to NBN Atlas

NBN Atlas Stakeholder Advisory Group

Consult with SAG to identify priorities and share knowledge

NBN Trust Strategy

- Review implementation to coincide with a new NBN Trust Strategy in 2027.
- Respond to new opportunities!





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