



PROTECTED NATURAL SCENERY AND ZONES OF NATIONAL ECOLOGICAL NETWORK - 2024

In 2024, the area of protected natural scenery in Bulgaria amounts to 585 500 ha or 5.3% of the country's territory which is 1 128 ha less than in 2023. At the end of 2024, in Bulgaria 1 060 protected natural areas exist. The biggest relative share is that of the natural parks - 43.9% (11), followed by national parks - 25.3% (3), reserves - 13.2% (55), protected areas - 13.8% (599), natural landmarks - 3.1% (352). The smallest share is that of the maintained reserves - 0.8% (35).

The protected plant species of Bulgarian flora in 2024 are 574, and protected animal species -483. The number of protected venerable trees in 2024 amounts to 1 467, which is by 52 more in comparison with the previous year.