



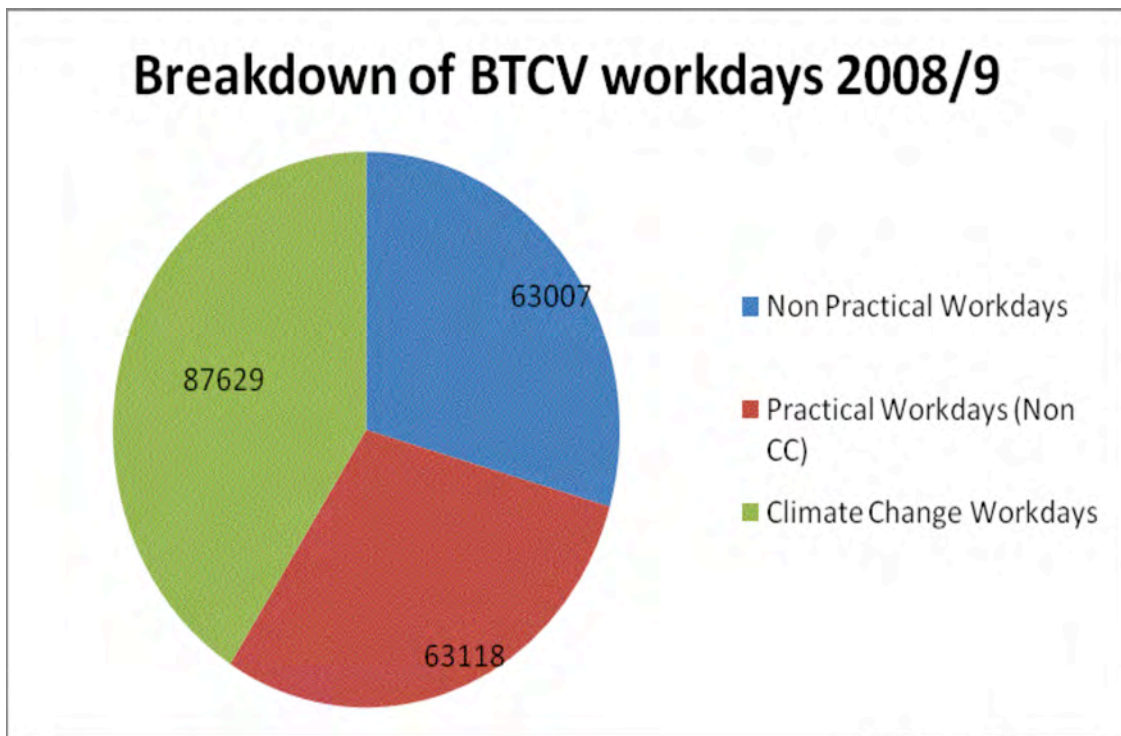
BTCV Climate Change Challenge

Regional Climate Change Workday Totals 2008/09

Part of the climate change challenge is a commitment to steadily increase the amount of climate change volunteer workdays figures that we achieve. At a recent Environmental Topic Group Meeting it was decided to conduct a baseline survey to identify the level of activity in 2008/9 and use this as a benchmark for comparison in future years.

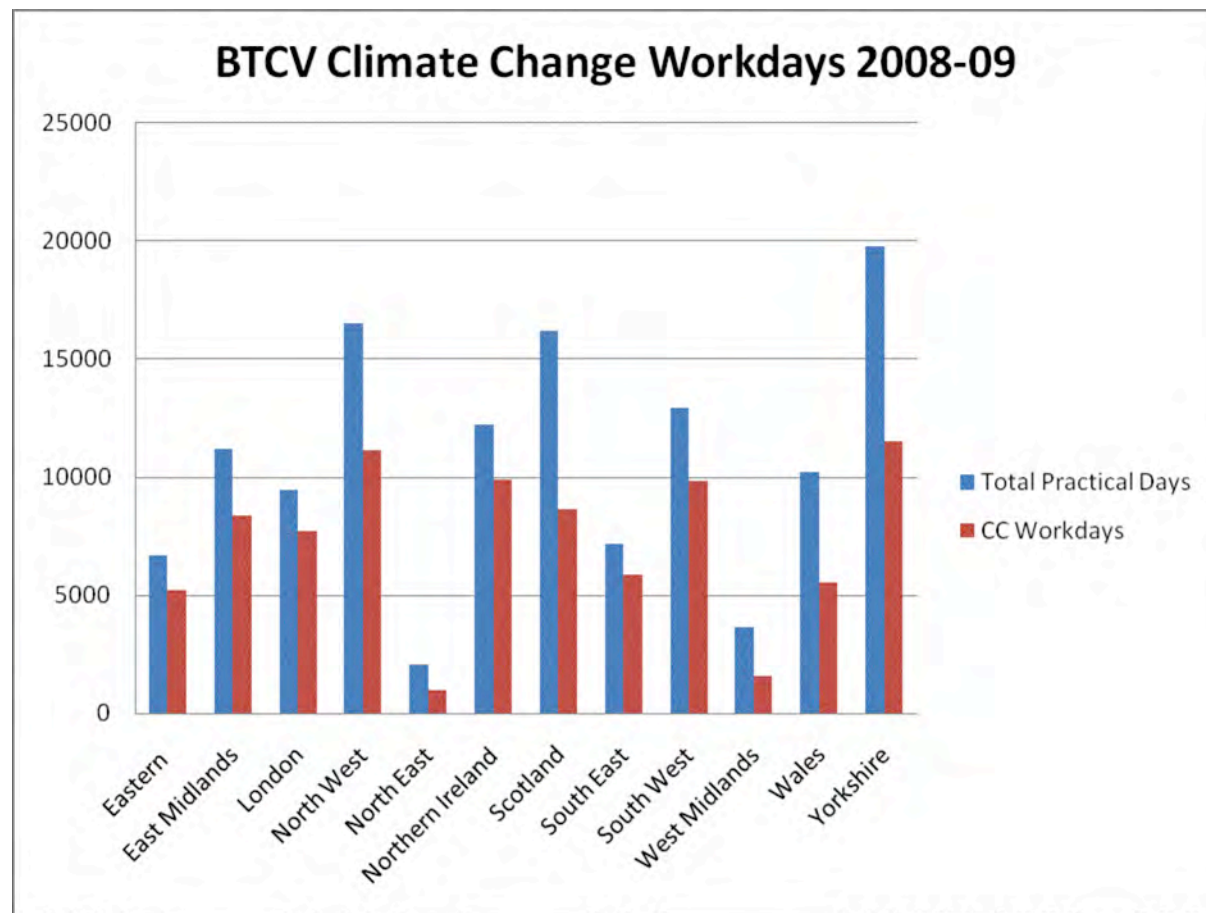
1. For this study I have just concentrated on producing a comparison using our practical workday. This means that I have disregarded the volunteer workdays spent undertaking activities such as site surveys, helping in the office, participating in health walks, attending events, attending educational events and undertaking community development work. These events represent 29% of the organisations overall activity.
2. I have then divided the remaining practical workdays into two sorts, these are Practical Workdays (Non Climate Change) and Climate Change Workdays. This first category includes practical activities such as; footpath work, fencing, walling, heritage conservation, community gardening and litter picking.
3. This finally leaves those activities which are most likely to make a positive contribution to climate change adaptation and mitigation. This category includes practical activities such as hedgelaying, tree planting, woodland management, heathland and moorland conservation, vegetation control and food growing / allotment work.

This graph shows the number of these activities in 2008/09.



2). Regional Breakdown of climate change volunteer workdays.

The graphs below shows the number of climate change workdays achieved per region / country.



Region/ Country	Total Practical Days	CC Workdays	CC workday %
Eastern	6,659	5,216	78%
East Midlands	11,171	8,359	75%
London	9,455	7,725	82%
North West	16,546	11,159	67%
North East	2,091	959	46%
Northern Ireland	12,203	9,908	81%
Scotland	16,170	8,653	54%
South East	7,200	5,845	81%
South West	12,911	9,817	76%
West Midlands	3,648	1,583	43%
Wales	10,238	5,549	54%
Yorkshire	19,762	11,523	58%
UK Totals	128,052	86,295	67%

Conclusions

Of the practical work that BTCV undertakes a staggering 67% of it falls within the climate change criteria which we have adopted. (This percentage however falls to 41% when shown a percentage of our total volunteer activity) I think that this is an impressive achievement.

One other criteria that was included in the climate change challenge selection criteria relates to the distance that we travel to get to the worksites from our local offices. For simplicity I have not delved into this. However we

should not lose sight of the need to produce local travel plans for our offices so that we are not driving excessive distances to get to our sites.

For the coming year it would be good if we could continue improve on the climate change workdays total. The best people to do this will be our local Project Officers and Volunteer Officers who compile our local work programmes. Whilst recognising that this is not always an easy thing to do, I feel that we do have some ability to influence and educate the landowners that we work with.

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