



On the edges?

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On the edge?



Not from where I'm standing!

Cumbria:

- **48% of land area of the North West**
- **7% of the population**
- **284 parishes of which 30% have less than 250 residents (11 less than 50)**

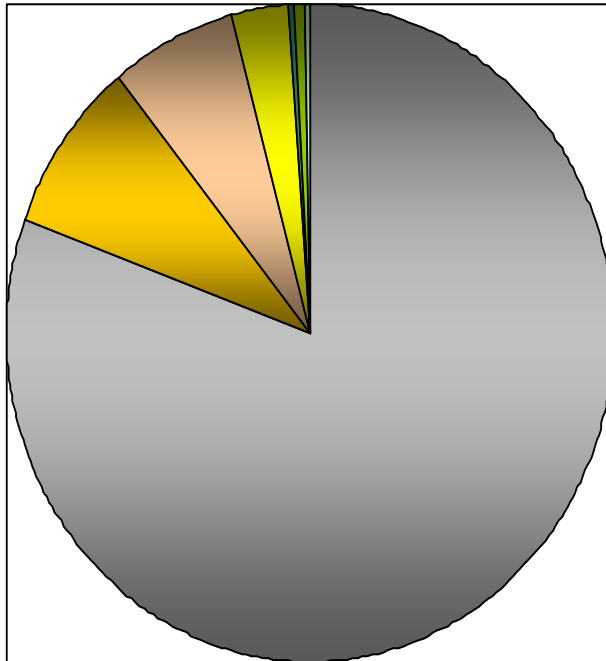


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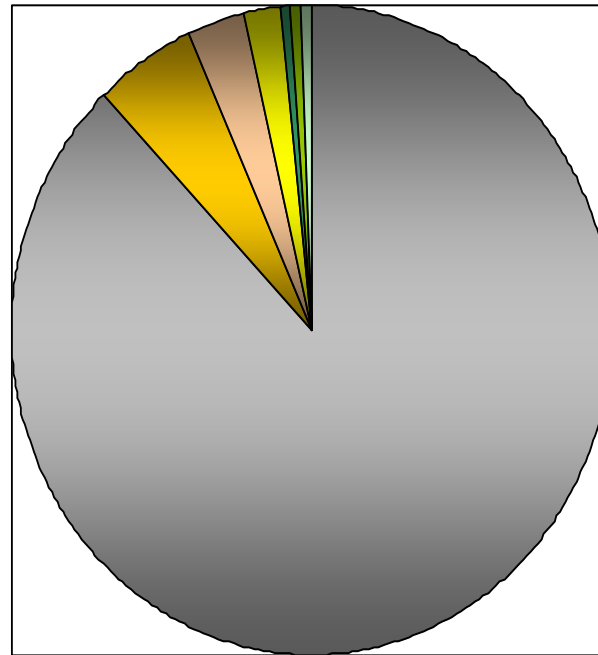


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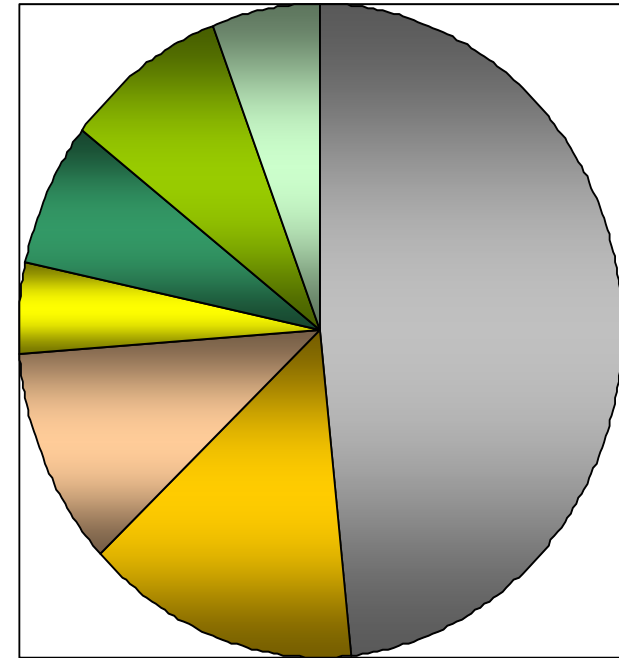
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North West



Cumbria



- Urban
- Town & Fringe - LS
- Village - LS
- Hamlet & Isolated Dwellings - LS
- Town & Fringe - S
- Village - S
- Hamlet & Isolated Dwelling - S



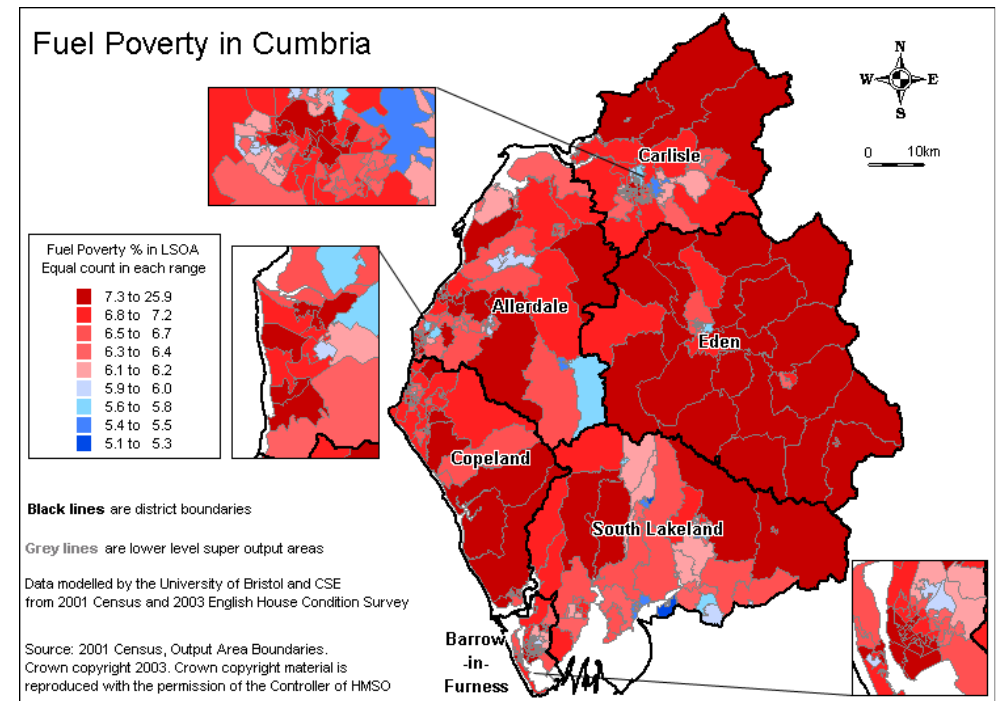
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Rural Challenge



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- Lack of understanding
- Ageing population
- Low incomes
- Poor accessibility
- Service contraction
- Fuel poverty
- Housing affordability



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Community action



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- Community led planning
- Rural evidence
- Asset ownership and management
- Community enterprise



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Urban lessons?



- **Community empowerment**
- **Community governance and control**
- **Self reliance**
- **Local solutions to local problems**



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