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# Research findings about nature-based enterprises

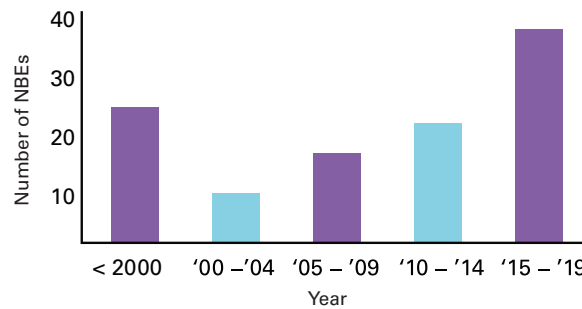


Based on 113 validated responses from nature-based enterprises in 22 countries (86% from Europe, 14% rest of the world) to Connecting Nature survey conducted from January to March 2020.

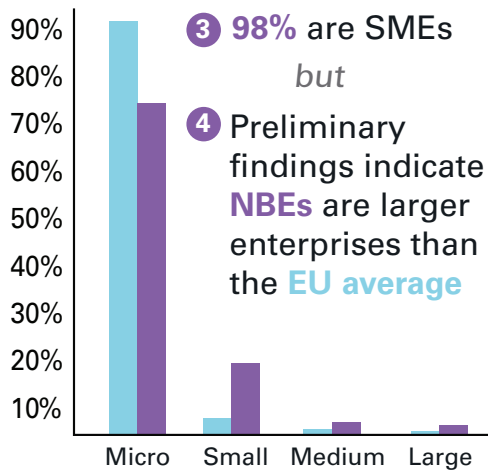
Nature-based enterprises (NBEs) use nature as a core element of their product/service offering.

Nature may be used directly by growing, harnessing, harvesting or restoring natural resources in a sustainable way and/or indirectly by contributing to the planning, delivery or stewardship of sustainable nature-based solutions.

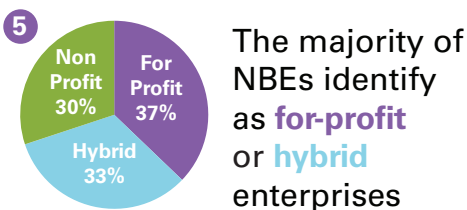
**1 Nature-based enterprises** are highly varied in nature. Survey responses came from nature conservation NGOs, community-garden enterprises, 'living wall' suppliers, tech start-ups using satellite data to monitor the quality of urban nature and many more.



**2 Nature-based enterprises (NBEs) are increasing year on year**

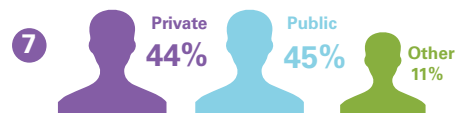
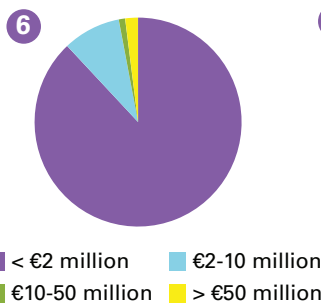


**3 98% are SMEs** but **4 Preliminary findings indicate NBEs are larger enterprises than the EU average**



The majority of NBEs identify as **for-profit** or **hybrid** enterprises

## NBE turnover

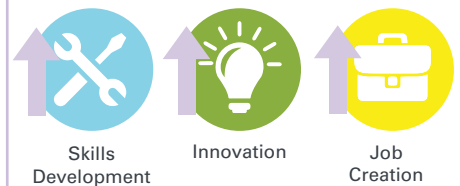


The **private sector** is almost as important as the **public sector** as a source of turnover

**8 Twice as many NBEs believe they will be impacted negatively rather than positively by Covid-19**



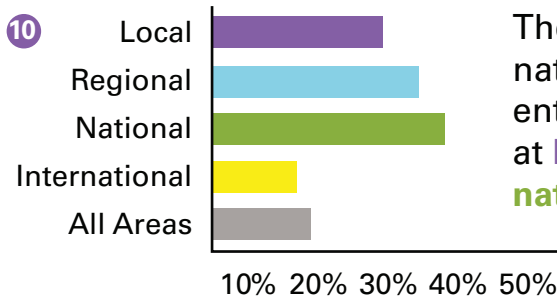
## Economic value created:



## Environmental value created:



## Social value created:



The majority of nature-based enterprises operate at **local, regional** or **national** level