

Heritage research in Scotland

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For those with an interest in Scotland's heritage sector, there is a growing body of material, and this page gives you an introduction to it by signposting other online sources.

HLF itself carries out and commissions a body of research and evaluation work. Much of it is UK-wide rather than specific to Scotland, but is of general application. You can find it on the HLF website under two headings:

- [The value of heritage](#)
- [Grant programme evaluations](#)

Other useful sources of research

- HLF supports the work of the [United Kingdom Heritage Research Group \(UKHRG\)](#) hosted at Glasgow Caledonian University. You can sign up to a regular email research bulletin produced by UKHRG and the site has lots of useful links.
- Historic Scotland (HS) produces guidance and statements on a range of topics, such as the [Scottish Historic Environment Policy \(SHEP\)](#).
- Scotland's [Historic Environment Audit \(SHEA\)](#) brings together a set of measures for the condition of the historic environment.
- [Scottish Natural Heritage \(SNH\)](#) publishes data about the natural environment.
- The [Historic Environment Advisory Council for Scotland \(HEACS\)](#) was wound up by the Scottish Government in May 2009. HEACS produced a number of significant pieces of work on heritage topics, and these are still hosted online.
- The [Scottish Government \(SG\)](#) commissions and publishes a range of research to assist it in deriving its policies and programmes.
- The [SG](#) also publishes statistics on a wide range of topics including tourism and culture.
- [Visit Scotland](#) publishes the latest Scottish tourism statistics.