

Crop Map of EnglandProduct Specification- v.2022

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Abbreviations

CROME - Crop Map of England

ESA - European Space Agency

GRD - Ground Range Detected

LUCODE - Land Use Code

RGBNIR - Red, Green, Blue, Near-Infrared

SNAP - Sentinel Application Platform

VH - Vertical-Horizontal Polarisation

VV - Vertical-Vertical Polarisation

VV/VH - Ratio of Vertical-Vertical / Vertical-Horizontal dual Polarisation

1 Introduction

1.1 Document Control

Revision History

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1.2 Purpose Scope

This document defines the product specification for the Crop Map of England (CROME) layer delivered by the Rural Payments Agency (RPA).

CROME is a tessellated multi-temporal visualisation of the type and distribution of land covers identified using remote sensing techniques. The purpose of this specification is to define that

representation and the technical details for the reference dataset structure, data format and delivery. This document includes the technical specification and a general overview of the methodology used to produce the CROME layer.

The CROME layer covers most of the land in England (including some small isles) into approximately 32 million hexagon cells. The CROME Layer is expected to be revised once a year during September-October, and then released shortly afterwards.

It is important to note here that CROME is basically a scientific product and not a conventional cartographic product. Therefore, minimal efforts have been taken to:

- generalise the thematic variation of crop and land cover types;
- revise the land use types to homogenise land cover over an area;
- improve the cosmetic appearance of the layer.

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- Earth Observation concepts

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2 Data Creation

2.1 Feature Classification

The main sources for the crop classification are satellite images from the Sentinel constellation together with Ground Truth data for land cover types. A combination of radar and multispectral imagery from Sentinel sensors was used for automatic classification. Sentinel-1 with its C-band

sensor transmits and receives microwave radiation in the horizontal (H) and vertical (V) polarisation. Sentinel-2 captures multispectral imagery in 13 spectral bands at varying spatial resolutions. More information regarding the specification of each satellite can be found on the following ESA websites: <u>Sentinel-1</u> and <u>Sentinel-2</u>.

2.2 Geometry

Unlike conventional land cover classification maps, the classification of crops and land cover in CROME is represented as hexagonal cells. Traditional thematic visualisation of geospatial information (e.g. distribution of crop types and other land use types) partitions the land into either a regular grid (e.g. CropScape-Cropland Data layer) or an agricultural/administrative polygonal representation of the land use extent (e.g. CEH Land Cover plus -Crops 2015; onesoil.ai). However, the CROME layer is based on the hexagonal grid, which provides a superior opportunity to model and visualise the arbitrary arrangement of land use forms and locations in comparison to a regular grid. Furthermore, it avoids using third party vector products (with any associated licence constraints) that represent agricultural/administrative polygons.

Each hexagon cell covers an area of 4156 sq. m., or 0.41 hectares. The hexagon cells in the CROME layer are spatially distinct units and the CROME layer does not provide any spatial adjacency information. The vertices of adjacent cells are mostly coincident; therefore, the CROME layer provides a continuous representation of the land use. The hexagon cells are not constrained by any topographic features, except the extent of the land.



Figure 1. Example of CROME hexagonal classification cells

2.3 Attributes

In the creation of the CROME layer, attribution is generated from the associated imagery and the feature classification process.

3 Reference Layer Features

3.1 Representation

The classification is provided as hexagonal polygon cells, with each cell being attributed a land cover classification, according to the classification in Annex A. An example of the landscape and the classification cells, labelled with the land cover code in Annex A, is shown in Figure 1. Unlike previous versions, CROME 2018 (and onwards) data production did not involve any climate zones, as internal experiments revealed that Random Forest Classification performed with equivalent accuracy with or without regional labelling. The distribution has also been revised to be now based on ceremonial counties because user feedback have suggested that zones used in previous versions were too large. The ceremonial county boundaries are based on the boundary line product by the OS (link). CROME 2022 is distributed on 46 ceremonial counties. Table 1 lists the number of counties and their respective codes and Figure 2 shows the map of the counties.

Ceremonial County	County Code
Bedfordshire	BED
Berkshire	BER
Bristol and Somerset	BRS
Buckinghamshire	BUC
Cambridgeshire	CAM
Cheshire	CHE
Cumbria	CMB
Cornwall	COR
Derbyshire	DER
Devon	DEV
Dorset	DOR
Durham	DUR
East Riding of Yorkshire	ERY
Essex	ESS
East Sussex	ESX
Gloucestershire	GLO
Greater Manchester	GMN
Hampshire	HAM
Herefordshire	HER
Hertfordshire	HRT
Isle of Wight	IOW
Kent	KEN
Lancashire	LAN

Ceremonial County	County Code						
Leicestershire	LEI						
Lincolnshire	LIN						
City and Greater London	LON						
Merseyside	MER						
Norfolk	NOR						
Nottinghamshire	NOT						
Northamptonshire	NRM						
Northumberland	NRT						
North Yorkshire	NYO						
Oxfordshire	OXF						
Rutland	RUT						
Shropshire	SHR						
Staffordshire	STF						
Suffolk	SUF						
Surrey	SUR						
South Yorkshire	SYO						
Tyne & Wear	TAW						
Warwickshire	WAR						
Wiltshire	WIL						
West Midlands	WMD						
Worcestershire	WOR						
West Sussex	WSX						
West Yorkshire	WYR						

Table 1. CROME data distribution zones with their zone codes and cell counts respectively.



Figure 2. Ordnance Survey Ceremonial Counties in England (source: Ordnance Survey). See Table 1 for full names for each county codes.

4 CROME Classification

The classification of the topography was performed using the Random Forest classifier, a supervised machine learning approach. More information on Random Forest Classification can be found on the authors' homepage. The approach learns the classification of specific crop types by associating backscatter characteristics of each radar polarisation (VV, VH, VV/VH) and multispectral (RGBNIR, SWIR and NDVI) signatures at 10m spatial resolution to known land covers, extracted from BPS claim data and validated against ground observations collected by field inspectors. The ground observations, radar and multispectral images were fed into the

workflow, outlined in Figure 3, making up the four main work packages described below in further detail.

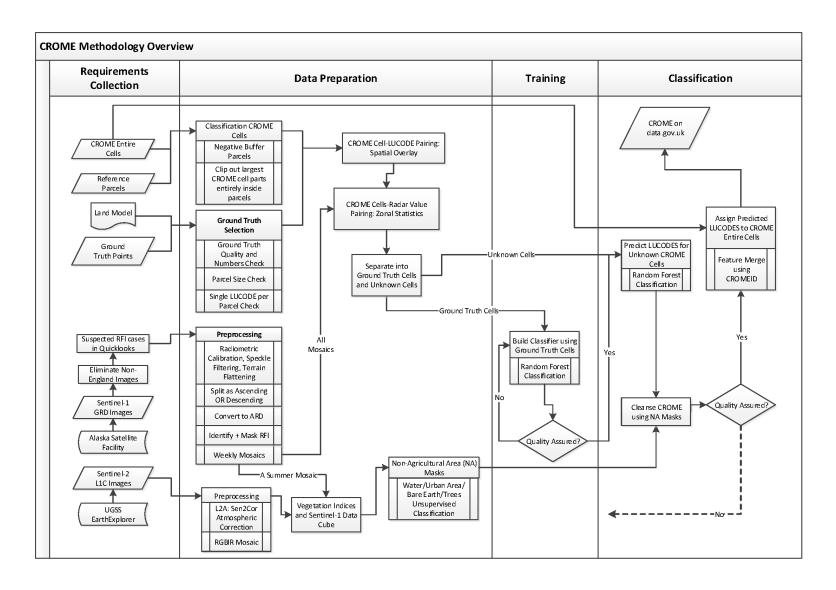


Figure 3. Workflow for CROME classification



4.1 Requirements Collection

This step involves the creation and collection of the input datasets and specifications required to perform the classification. The step involves five main inputs:

- a) CROME Cells: These are hexagon cells that form the spatial framework of the CROME layer. These are essentially Voronoi polygons and were created using a combination of ESRI ArcMap and FME applications.
- b) Land Model (current version 11.02): This is an internal RPA document that contains a list and specification of the relevant land cover and crop types which are eventually assigned to the CROME cells.
- c) Ground Truth Points (GTP): These are ground observations of the spatial location and type of crop and land use found by the RPA field inspectors and Cyient during late-spring and summer period of 2022. The ground observations collection process involves verification and, where required, correction of the crop and other land cover types declared by the farmers against each parcel registered under their name. To minimise classification errors, only the ground observation data and parcels that matched the following conditions were used:
 - a. Parcels only contained a single GTP crop/land cover type.
 - b. Parcel area after applying a negative buffer of 20 m (to exclude contamination from hedges and other boundary features) was greater than 0.32 ha (i.e. it would cover 80% of a CROME cell area).
 - c. The crop/land use type was present in at least 10 ground observation parcels.

In addition, the numbers and varieties for non-agricultural areas were boosted by collecting additional ground observations, such as man-made surfaces and structures, from other RPA datasets e.g. inspections.

- d) Sentinel-1 GRD images: These are Sentinel-1 Radar Ground Range Detected (GRD) dual polarisation (VV, VH) images for the period of January till September 2022, covering the main land masses of England. These can be downloaded from the Copernicus Open Access Hub or the Alaska Satellite Data Facility.
- e) Sentinel-2 Level2A images: These are a collection of Sentinel-2 RGBNIR and SWIR images, mosaiced to a cloud-free product for the period of March till July 2022 using Sentinel-Hub. These can also be downloaded from the Copen Access Hub.

4.2 Data Preparation

The objective of this step is to attribute the CROME Cells with the required LUCODE (only for cells used during supervised training) and radar backscatter and multispectral surface reflectance values for the purposes of classification. It involves the following main processes:

- a) Ground observation points are filtered by applying a combination of simple attribute and spatial filtering using farm field polygons and land covers.
- b) The Sentinel-1 GRD images are processed using the Sentinel Application Platform (more information available on SNAP homepage) software to transform the raw images into georeferenced and radiometrically corrected Sigma-0 (backscattering coefficient) images.
- c) The Sentinel-2 L2A images are mosaiced to cloud free composite using Sentinel-hub and zonal statistics extracted directly.
- d) Zonal Statistics analysis is performed to calculate the weekly mean of VV, VH and VV/VH-ratio image values for the area covered by each CROME cell. Each CROME cell (32 million in total) is assigned a pair of triplet values i.e. mean VV, VH and VV/VH, based on an England-



wide weekly composite of scenes. Statistics were calculated of each polarization combinations (VV, VH and VV/VH) from suitable weekly mosaic radar scenes captured from January to September 2022. Weekly statistics allowed a common temporal reference axis for all cells because although satellite pass dates over cells are broadly predictable as per ESA guidance, i.e. within 5-10 days revisit, these still varied considerably across England thereby creating data gaps.

- e) Zonal statistics (mean and standard deviation) for Sentinel-2 L2A RGBNIR and SWIR 10m are extracted only from one cloud-free mosaic due to persistent cloud cover.
- f) Training data points were created by selecting landcovers with single crop codes and intersecting with the CROME cells.

Classification rules were formulated based on the known LUCODES, established in step (f), and the weekly radar backscattering coefficient values derived in step (d) and the surface reflectance values derived in step (e) from the training CROME cells.

4.3 Training

The objective of this step is to automatically build the classification rules that can be used to predict the LUCODE of a CROME cell, given its associated weekly radar backscatter coefficient values and the multispectral values.

This work uses the Random Forest classification technique, a supervised machine learning approach, available in the R application. The unique advantage of Random Forest classification is that given a large number of reference points, it is able to perform robust cross-validation internally by generating numerous decision trees using a subsample of the training data for each tree using a technique called bagging (bootstrap aggregation). Furthermore, the Random Forest classifier estimates the variable importance and calculates the probability of each feature (e.g. hexagon cell) belonging to a specific class / LUCODE by taking advantage of the majority voting strategy.

The training process involves randomly combining input variables and deriving a permutation of input variables that provides the most instances of accurate match between the known LUCODE and a predicted LUCODE. The software internally uses 2/3rds of the input variables for developing and training the ruleset, and the remaining 1/3rd for testing the classification, using the out-of-bag (OOB) error.

4.4 Classification

Each CROME cell is then applied a LUCODE from the Random Forest classification ruleset. A random visual check using 2021 Sentinel-2 images was performed to detect obvious misclassifications. Simple cases of misclassifications (e.g. slightly rough areas of manmade surfaces conflicted with grass, water, urban areas misclassified as trees, and vice versa) are reduced by using the 10m RGBNIR Sentinel-2 mosaic. Some misclassifications of urban areas are corrected using the Ordnance Survey Built-up layer to update CROME cells.



5 Features Types and Attribution

5.1 Attribution

Table 2 shows the attribute for each CROME cell:

Name	Туре	Properties	Comments
CROMEID	TEXT	Primary Key	Unique across all supply years
REFDATE	NUMBER	Not Null	The date of the classification was performed.
LUCODE	TEXT	Not Null	The land use code. See Annex A for lookup tables.
SHAPE	GEOMETRY	Not Null	Polygon representing the extent of the classified land use object.
SHAPE_area	FLOAT	Not Null	Area of the hexagon cell in sq. m
SHAPE_length	FLOAT	Not Null	Circumference of the hexagon cell in m
PROB	FLOAT	Not Null	Random Forest derived probability of a hexagon cell belonging to a specific class (majority voting) with a range from 0 to 1

Table 2. Attribute Schema of CROME layer

CROMEID

The CROMEID is the unique identifier assigned to each cell, consisting of the letters 'RPA' and a twelve-digit number, which are the Easting and Northing coordinates of the centroid of the cell.

REFDATE

The REFDATE is the date when the classification was performed. The date format used is YYYYMMDD e.g. 20221121. The value is expected to remain constant for each cell in a CROME release.

LUCODE

The Land Use Code is alphanumeric code of up to 5 characters long and is intended to record land use information. At present, all non-agricultural areas will be assigned a generic non-agricultural land use code. These land use codes are based on the land model used by the RPA as part of the claim purpose. The table in Annex A contains the valid Land Use Code (Column 3) that will be used in the current release of the CROME.

PROB

Random Forest derived probability of a hexagon cell belonging to a specific class. This probability is derived from the majority voting process used when using the Random Forest classifier i.e. the actual numbers of trees that resulted in the final class/LUCODE compared to the total number of trees.

5.2 Data Format and Naming

The dataset is supplied in the ESRI shapefile format, together with a projection file (*.prj) that defines the coordinate system as British National Grid. The data for a given year shall be supplied

either as a single file geodatabase or as a series of shapefiles that collectively cover all CROME zones.

The dataset format shall be consistent with the specification in Section 5.1, with all fields whose source is marked as shapefile being included in the supplied dataset.

The shapefile name shall be as follows:

Crop_Map_of_England_<YYYY>_<ZONE>.shp

where:

<YYYY> is the year of the dataset

<ZONE> is the name for each ceremonial county data distribution zone covered by the shapefile (see Table 1).

Each shapefile will be accompanied by a metadata xml file in the accordance to the UK GEMINI v 2.2 standard.

Please note that the final packaged filenames (see Table 1) may be different due to other requirements.

6 Thematic Accuracy

Thematic accuracy is concerned with the degree to which the classification and attribution of features correctly match the real-world features that are being modelled within the dataset. The quality of CROME land code classification was assessed by comparing the crop/land use types predicted by the Random Forest Classification against the ground observations collated by and surveyors from Cyient. The comparison is reported in the form of a confusion matrix, with the overall accuracy presented in Table 3.1 below. The confusion matrix was measured on the majority of CROME cells within each RPA land parcel. The overall accuracy of CROME version 2022 is 89% according to the quality assessment carried out using the ground observation points.

6.1 Known Accuracy Challenges

Due to strong correspondence in the physical morphology of Permanent Crops ground truths and other trees, TC01 cells also cover areas of other trees e.g. along parcel boundaries, roads. Due to lack of any definitive morphological definition for fallow land ground observation in general, FA01 cells also cover areas that are mostly bare soil to partially grass. Similarly, due to variability in growth of grass, PG01 cells cover areas that are declared as fallow land by the customers. The seasonality of the suitable Sentinel-2 image used for cleansing can also influence the attribution of otherwise vegetated parcels to NA01 if the usable image was taken when the field had been harvested or still bare soil.

7 Dataset Specification

7.1 Format

The CROME datasets are in ESRI shapefile format.

7.2 Topological Consistency

No topological consistency errors are known to exist with CROME, i.e. each feature is valid according to the OGC specification.

7.3 Horizontal Positional Accuracy

Not applicable

7.4 Currency

The map is to be updated annually, after August to coincide approximately with end of harvesting and cropping season.

7.5 Format Consistency

N/A

7.6 Domain Consistency

N/A

7.7 Temporal Consistency

There are no known temporal consistency issues with CROME.

7.8 Temporal Validity

There are no known temporal validity issues with CROME.

7.9 Attribute Completeness

The version of the dataset has 100% attribute completeness.

7.10 Spatial Completeness

The version of the dataset has 100% spatial completeness, as verified by visual inspection.

7.11 Lineage

Crop types were derived by using Random Forest Classification on Sentinel-1 radar data and refined using surface reflectance images from Sentinel-2 optical data.

7.12 CROME Layer Metadata

A metadata file will be supplied with each product supply. Metadata will conform to ISO 19115 and be UK GEMINI discovery level metadata.

LUCODE	Producer accuracy [%]	User accuracy [%]
AC01	89.0	89.8
AC03	69.4	69.8
AC16	48.9	89.7
AC17	80.5	89.0
AC17	68.8	77.2
AC20	08.8	0.0
AC32	77.8	87.4
AC32	41.7	68.6
AC34 AC44	84.9	74.9
AC44 AC58	04.5	0.0
AC63	93.0	91.0
AC65	80.1	99.5
AC66	93.6	92.0
AC67	86.6	93.3
AC68	74.1	98.8
AC69		0.0
FA01		0.0
LG03	86.6	83.2
LG07	92.4	78.5
LG11	23.1	100.0
LG14	6.5	100.0
LG20	88.9	89.0
PG01	96.2	90.5
TC01		0.0
WO12		0.0
Total	89.0	89.0

Table 3.0 User and producer accuracy of CROME v 2022

			Ground observations																								
	LUCODE	AC01	AC03	AC16	AC17	AC19	AC20	AC32	AC34	AC44	AC58	AC63	AC65	AC66	AC67	AC68	AC69	FA01	LG03	LG07	LG11	LG14	LG20	PG01	TC01	WO12	Total
	AC01	2414		18	9	31		31		2		56	24	82	1				6					13			2687
	AC03		143		43				8	4									7								205
	AC16	4		131	1	2		1						1	6												146
	AC17	33	7	14	1562	27		5	10	19		23	2	6	1				9			13		24			1755
	AC19	51		7	1	480		31					7	5	38								1	1			622
	AC20						n/a							1					1								2
	AC32	12		9		52		744						25	3									6			851
	AC34				3				35	13																	51
	AC44	34	53		19				28	405									2								541
	AC58										n/a			1					1					6			8
	AC63	65			68			1		2		2602		55	38									29			2860
	AC65					2							378														380
CROME	AC66	26		4	37	85		70		3		43	43	6649	123	50			41				12	42			7228
	AC67	9			10							25		58	1781								22	4			1909
	AC68							1				1				169											171
	AC69											1					n/a										1
	FA01	1		49	39	5		3		5		1	2	6	30	7		n/a	1				21	9			179
	LG03	1	3		67			10						3	2				775	13			46	11			931
	LG07	5			3				2	14					11				8	157							200
	LG11																				9						9
	LG14																					4					4
	LG20	1			3							15		58	7				18				828				930
	PG01	53		36	72	14		59	1	10		30	16	148	16	2			24		30	45	1	5314			5871
	TC01				3							2		2					1					2	n/a		10
	WO12	2			1									1					1					63		n/a	68
	Total	2711	206	268	1941	698	0	956	84	477	0	2799	472	7101	2057	228	0	0	895	170	39	62	931	5524	0	0	27619

Table 3.1 Confusion Matrix of CROME v 2022



		Ground truth																												
		AC01	AC03	AC16	AC17	AC19	AC20	AC32	AC34 A	\C44	AC58	AC63	AC64	AC65	AC66	AC67	AC68	AC69	FA01	LG03	LG07	LG11	LG14	LG20	NA01	PG01	TC01	WA00	WO12	Total
	AC01	43919	17	28	348	75	0	164	0	23	0	372	0	2	428	64	4	0	91	99	35	0	0	26	0	640	4	0	1	46340
	AC03	45	11793	0	285	4	7	1	1	205	0	8	0	2	86	0	0	0	29	20	11	0	0	1	0	30	3	0	3	12534
	AC16	81	4	2395	227	98	0	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	8	0	0	59	11	1	0	0	0	0	90	0	0	0	3052
	AC17	70	68	8	26640	3	4	2	1	39	0	35	0	0	119	22	2	0	78	71	2	0	0	2	1	341	10	0	5	27523
	AC19	186	0	10	74	7985	0	241	0	0	0	4	0	63	127	1	2	0	18	9	0	0	0	8	0	250	2	0	2	8982
	AC20	21	41	6	108	0	1460	1	0	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	13	16	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1693
	AC32	374	3	16	124	112	3	6053	3	13	0	57	0	2	879	3	0	0	42	28	5	0	0	2	1	200	2	0	0	7922
	AC34	25	93	1	178	1	0	4	1930	148	0	7	0	0	50	1	0	0	45	14	19	0	0	5	0	88	1	0	1	2611
	AC44	12	135	1	174	0	2	2	3 1	.0548	0	32	0	0	135	0	0	10	12	9	35	0	0	12	0	35	9	0	4	11170
	AC58	302	17	11	416	36	0	35	4	6	651	18	0	1	110	76	9	4	248	66	21	0	0	32	0	591	12	0	35	2701
	AC63	312	9	0	62	7	0	4	0	4	1	47730	0	25	456	116	7	0	46	21	3	0	0	128	0	277	10	0	5	49223
	AC64	5	0	14	11	0	0	6	0	0	0	1	915	4	184	0	0	1	28	0	0	0	0	1	0	28	0	0	0	1198
	AC65	15	0	2	12	87	0	26	0	0	0	18	0	7455	724	16	14	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	133	0	0	0	8518
CROME	AC66	499	63	19	351	57	1	229	6	60	0	798	0	95	2E+05	297	25	3	122	115	12	0	0	102	2	862	5	0	9	215435
	AC67	87	5	5	43	4	0	1	0	0	0	51	1	2	575	42394	2	0	103	51	55	0	0	62	0	90	6	0	5	43542
	AC68	21	0	4	68	0	0	1	0	0	0	439	0	5	149	29	4127	3	35	1	4	0	0	7	0	112	1	0	0	5006
	AC69	12	0	0	3	4	0	10	0	1	0	87	0	1	106	0	36	746	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	1032
	FA01	78	18	11	842	25	0	23	7	18	0	98	0	15	306	38	4	0	5722	114	25	0	1	95	2	2603	35	4	47	10131
	LG03	57	30	0	273	3	1	2	0	14	0	0	0	0	144	2	0	0	17	12965	49	0	0	296	1	64	0	0	5	13923
	LG07	8	21	1	83	2	0	0	0	6	0	28	0	0	56	3	2	0	12	148	8964	0	0	13	0	25	1	0	5	9378
	LG11	27	0	2	33	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	17	2	0	784	0	1	0	766	1	0	1	1643
	LG14	2	1	1	62	0	0	3	0	0	0	7	0	0	25	0	0	0	24	5	0	0	259	1	0	918	0	0	0	1308
	LG20	15	0	0	45	0	0	1	0	1	0	43	0	0	103	4	1	0	43	427	7	0	0	13022	0	41	0	0	0	13753
	NA01	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	304	40	3	0	14	363
	PG01	260	13	25	473	40	0	29	5	12	1	116	0	33	334	12	6	0	87	29	7	0	0	29	11	2E+05	47	17	1271	251024
	TC01	31	21	7	199	4	0	4	0	36	0	0	0	0	18	7	3	0	82	48	4	0	0	16	2		3776	0	242	5782
	WA00	0	1	0	27	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	1	2	317	1	6881	23	7274
	WO12	1	1	4	27	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	19	5	0	0	0	3	2	2201	54	0	37852	40183
	Total	46465	12354	2571	31188	8550	1478	6908	1960 1	1143	653	49951	916	7705	2E+05	43093	4244	767	7021	14277	9275	784	260	13865	328	3E+05	3983	6902	39530	803244

Table 3.2 Confusion Matrix of CROME random forest model v 2022

and Cover Description	LUCODE	Land Use Description
Cereal Crops	AC01	Spring Barley
·	AC03	Beet
	AC04	Borage
	AC05	Buckwheat
	AC06	Canary Seed
	AC07	Carrot
	AC09	Chicory
	AC10	Daffodil
	AC14	Hemp
	AC15	Lettuce
	AC16	Spring Linseed
	AC17	Maize
	AC18	Millet
	AC19	Spring Oats
		Onions
	AC20 AC22	
		Parsies
	AC23	Parsnips
	AC24	Spring Rye
	AC26	Spinach
	AC27	Strawberry
	AC30	Spring Triticale
	AC32	Spring Wheat
	AC34	Spring Cabbage
	AC35	Turnip
	AC36	Spring Oilseed
	AC37	Brown Mustard
	AC38	Mustard
	AC41	Radish
	AC44	Potato
	AC45	Tomato
	AC50	Squash
	AC52	Siam Pumpkin
	AC58	Mixed Crop-Group 1
	AC59	Mixed Crop-Group 2
	AC60	Mixed Crop-Group 3
	AC61	Mixed Crop-Group 4
	AC62	Mixed Crop-Group 5
	AC63	Winter Barley
	AC64	Winter Linseed
	AC65	Winter Oats
		Winter Wheat
	AC66	
	AC67	Winter Oilseed
	AC68	Winter Rye
	AC69	Winter Triticale
	AC70	Winter Cabbage
	AC71	Coriander
	AC72	Corn gromwell
	AC74	Phacelia
	AC81	Poppy
	AC88	Sunflower
	AC90	Gladioli
	AC92	Sorghum
	AC94	Sweet William
	AC100	Italian Ryegrass



	CA02	Cover Crop
Leguminous Crops	LG01	Chickpea
	LG02	Fenugreek
	LG03	Spring Field beans
	LG04	Green Beans
	LG06	Lupins
	LG07	Spring Peas
	LG09	Cowpea
	LG08	Soya
	LG11	Lucerne
	LG13	Sainfoin
	LG14	Clover
	LG15	Mixed Crops–Group 1 Leguminous
	LG16	Mixed Crops–Group 2 Leguminous
	LG20	Winter Field beans
	LG21	Winter Peas
Energy Crop	SR01	Short Rotation Coppice
Grassland	FA01	Fallow Land
	HE02	Heathland and Bracken
	PG01	Grass
Non-Agricultural Land	NA01	Non-vegetated or sparsely vegetated Land
Water	WA00	Water
Trees	TC01	Perennial Crops and Isolated Trees
	NU01	Nursery Crops
	WO12	Trees and Scrubs, short Woody plants,
		hedgerows
Unknown Vegetation Or Mixed Vegetation	AC00	Unknown or Mixed Vegetation

Note that the variety of land cover codes may change during releases of CROME due to variability in ground truth however the LUCODE will remain same.

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