It is estimated that New Zealand has 40,000 ha of land dedicated to sports turf. Each of the 2391 primary schools is estimated to have 4.6 ha of turf area.

It is unwise to pay too much, but worse to pay too little. When you pay too much you lose a little money, that is all. When you pay too little you sometimes lose everything, because the thing you bought was incapable of doing what it was bought to do.

- John Ruskin

In Ireland turf is the blocks of peat harvested and dried for fuel.