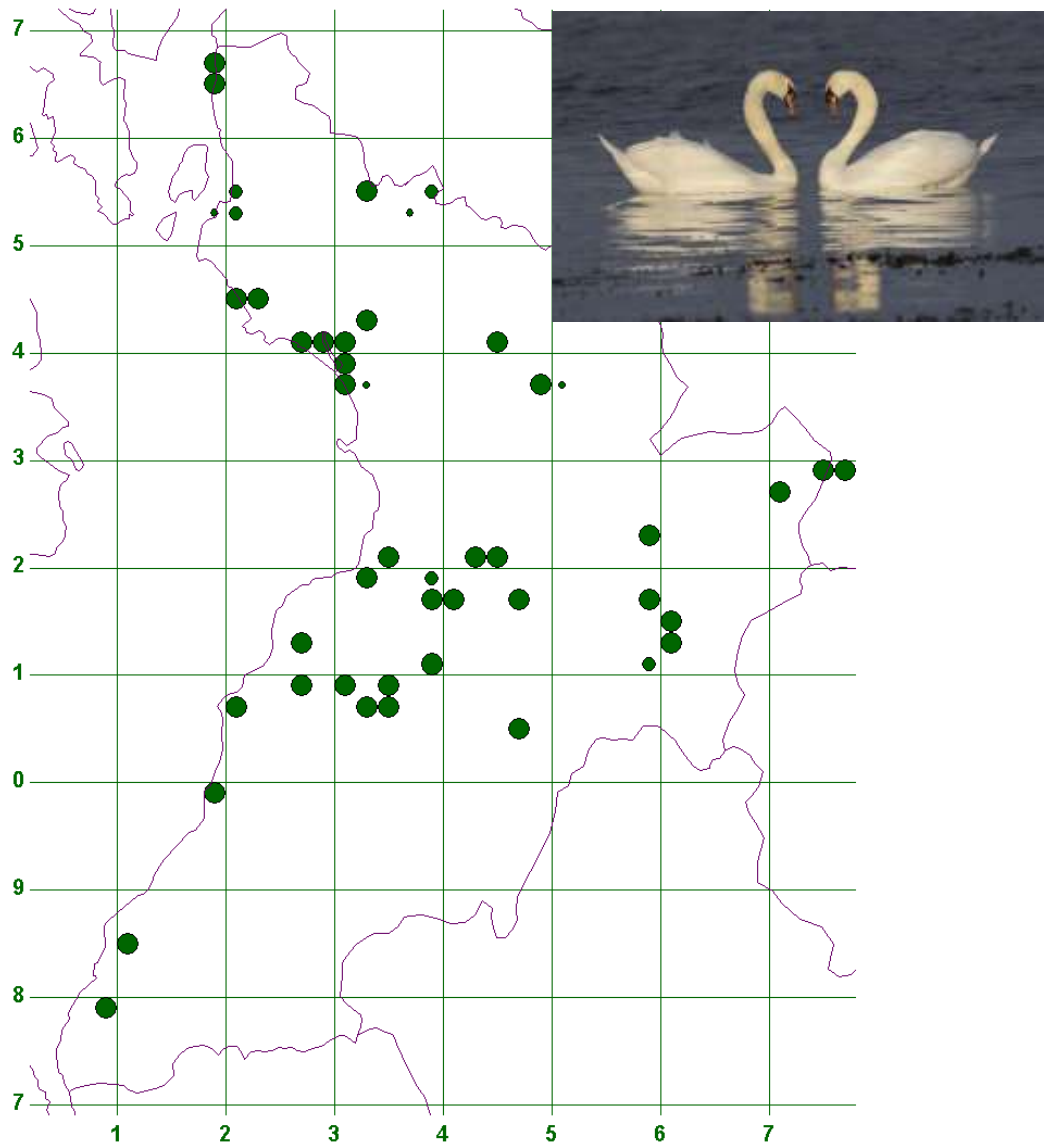


Mute Swan (*Cygnus olor*)



Status: Uncommon breeder.

Current trend: Although a very familiar sight in many parts of the county, Mute Swans have a limited distribution, although they fare well at most locations. The main threats to their well-being come from nest vandalism, and mammal predation/disturbance, nest site competition with Canada Goose perhaps being more open to doubt. The breeding population within the county is relatively well covered, as are the non-breeding flocks which, to some extent, reflect recent breeding success rates.

Follow-up: Continued monitoring of breeding sites and non-breeding flocks.