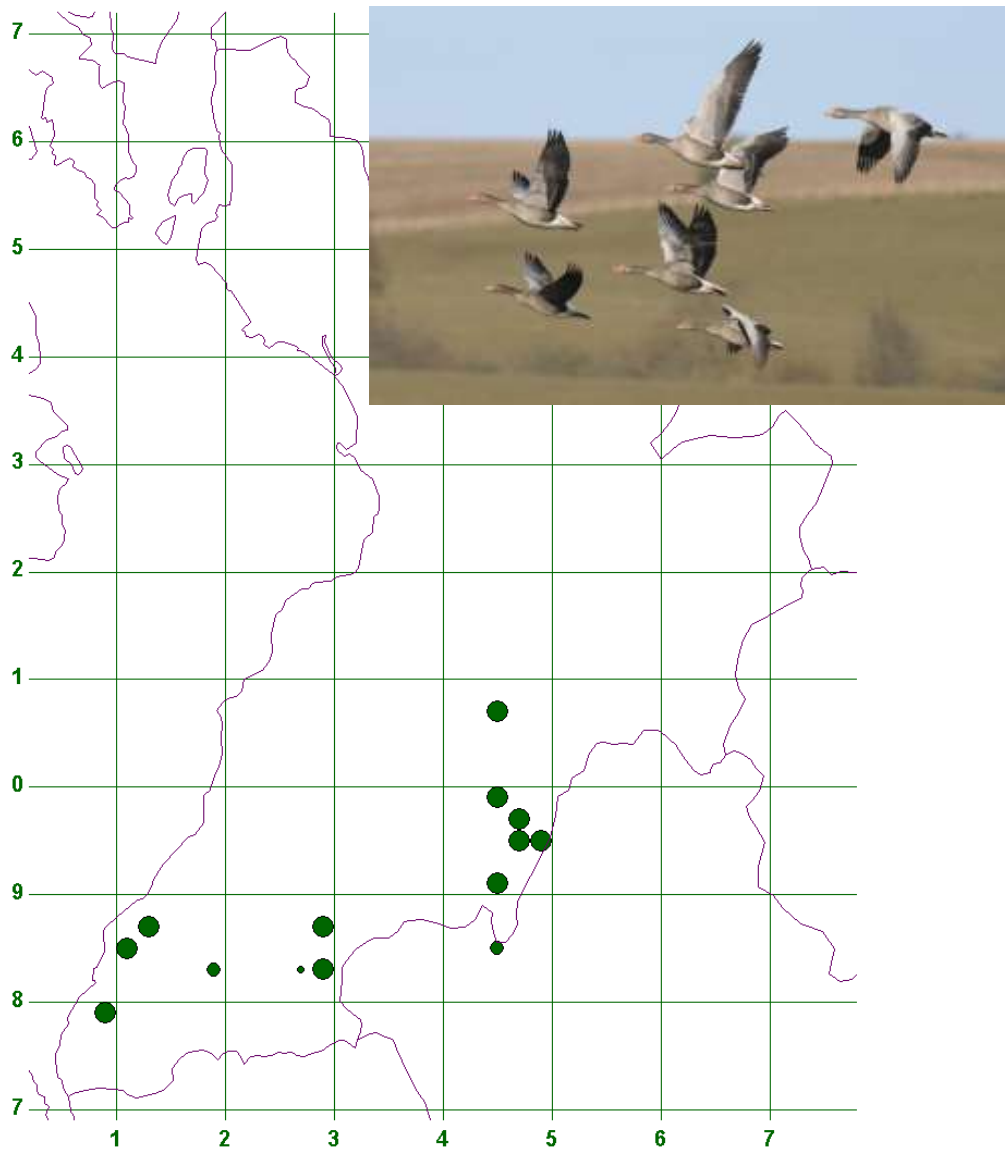


Greylag Goose (*Anser anser*)



Status: Uncommon breeder.

Current trend: The feral population of Greylag Geese breeding within Ayrshire has grown steadily during the past 15 years, from one or two lochs in the South e.g. Kilantringan and Riecawr, to extend to more marginal breeding sites such as Horse Island. This has, to some extent, had an impact on other breeding species on some hill lochs and could become a problem in the future.

Follow up: Counts of breeding birds, particularly in upland areas, with appropriate action taken if necessary, should there be a negative impact on native breeding waterbirds.