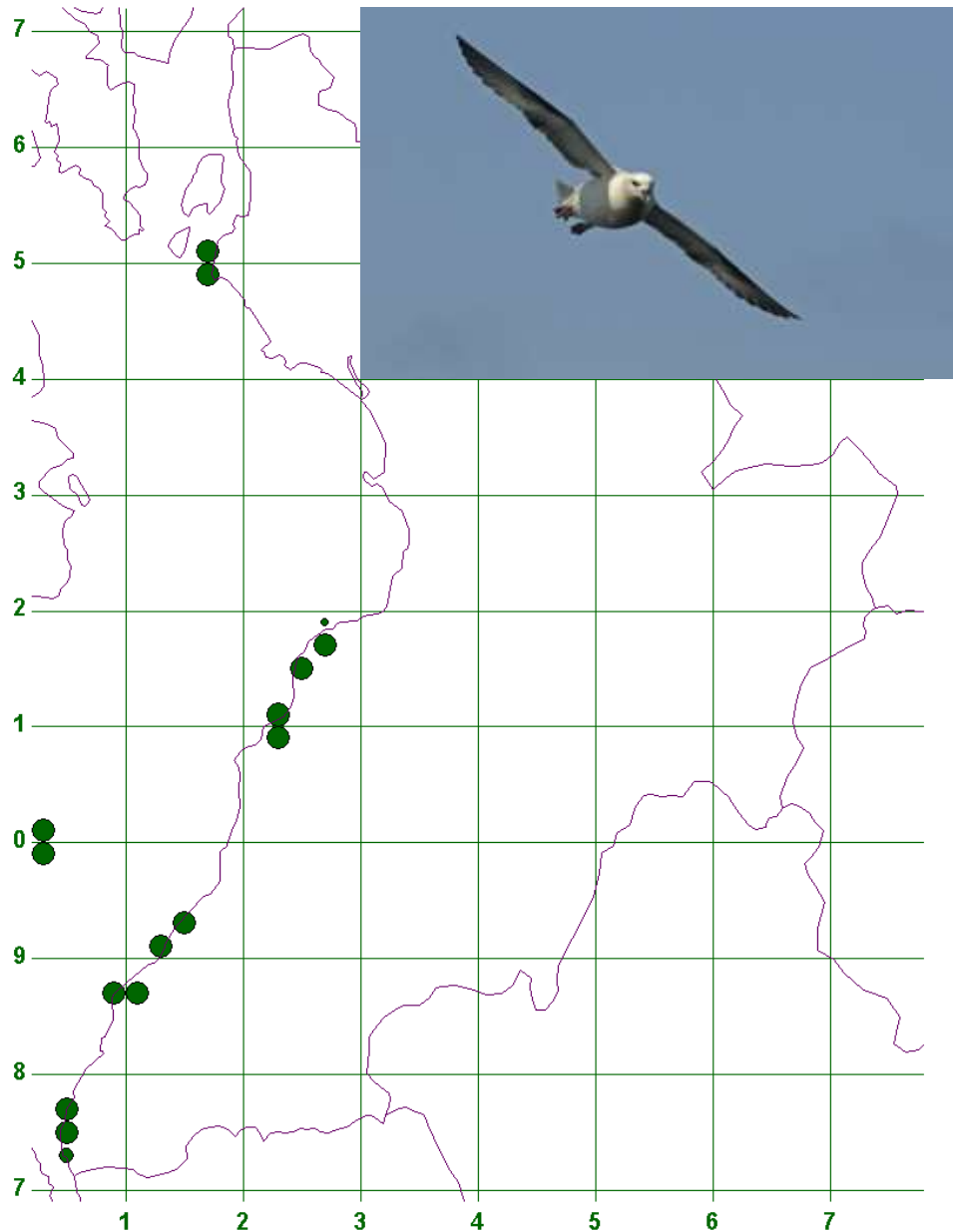


Northern Fulmar (*Fulmarus glacialis*)



Status: Uncommon breeder.

Current trend: Numbers of Northern Fulmars have declined sharply within Ayrshire in the last decade, reflecting the decline in fishing activity in Scottish coastal waters. With the first authenticated breeding record being on Ailsa Craig in 1939, the rise and fall of the Ayrshire population has been relatively swift. Many of the mainland sites shown on the map are deserted, and the Southern coast which, during 2000, reported over 260 occupied sites, now holds only a fraction of that amount.

Follow up: Regular counts at breeding sites to provide a more detailed picture of the rate of decline.