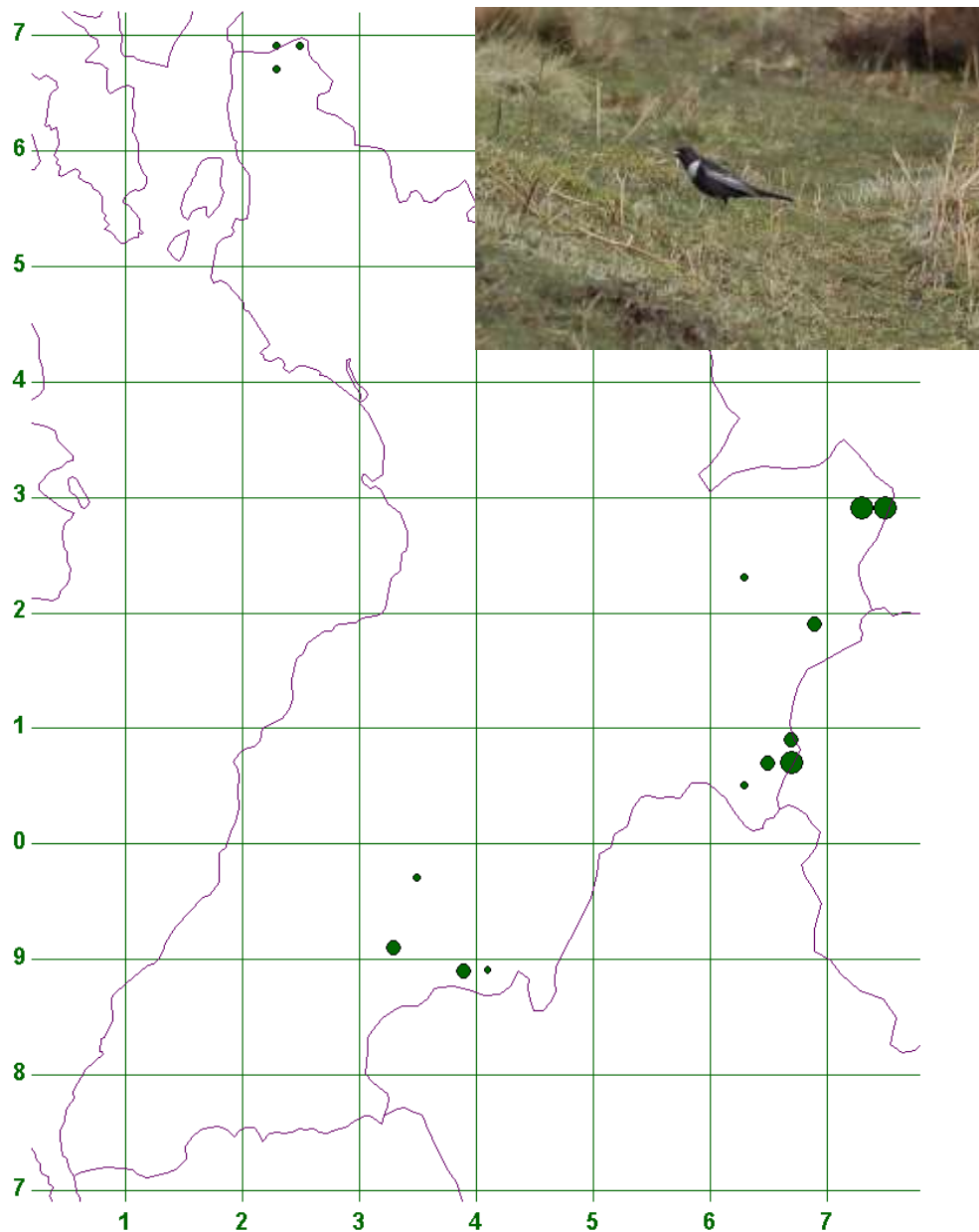


## Ring Ouzel (*Turdus torquatus*)



**Status:** Rare (and occasional) breeder

**Current trend:** The disappearance of Ring Ouzel as a breeding species has been well documented, and may be the result of problems occurring in the wintering grounds rather than in its upland haunts in Ayrshire, which have changed little in character. However, the re-appearance of a breeding pair in South Ayrshire during 2012 has hinted at the possibility that some breeding birds might be overlooked.

**Follow up:** Visits to former haunts may reveal the continued existence of a small breeding population, particularly in Galloway and East Ayrshire.