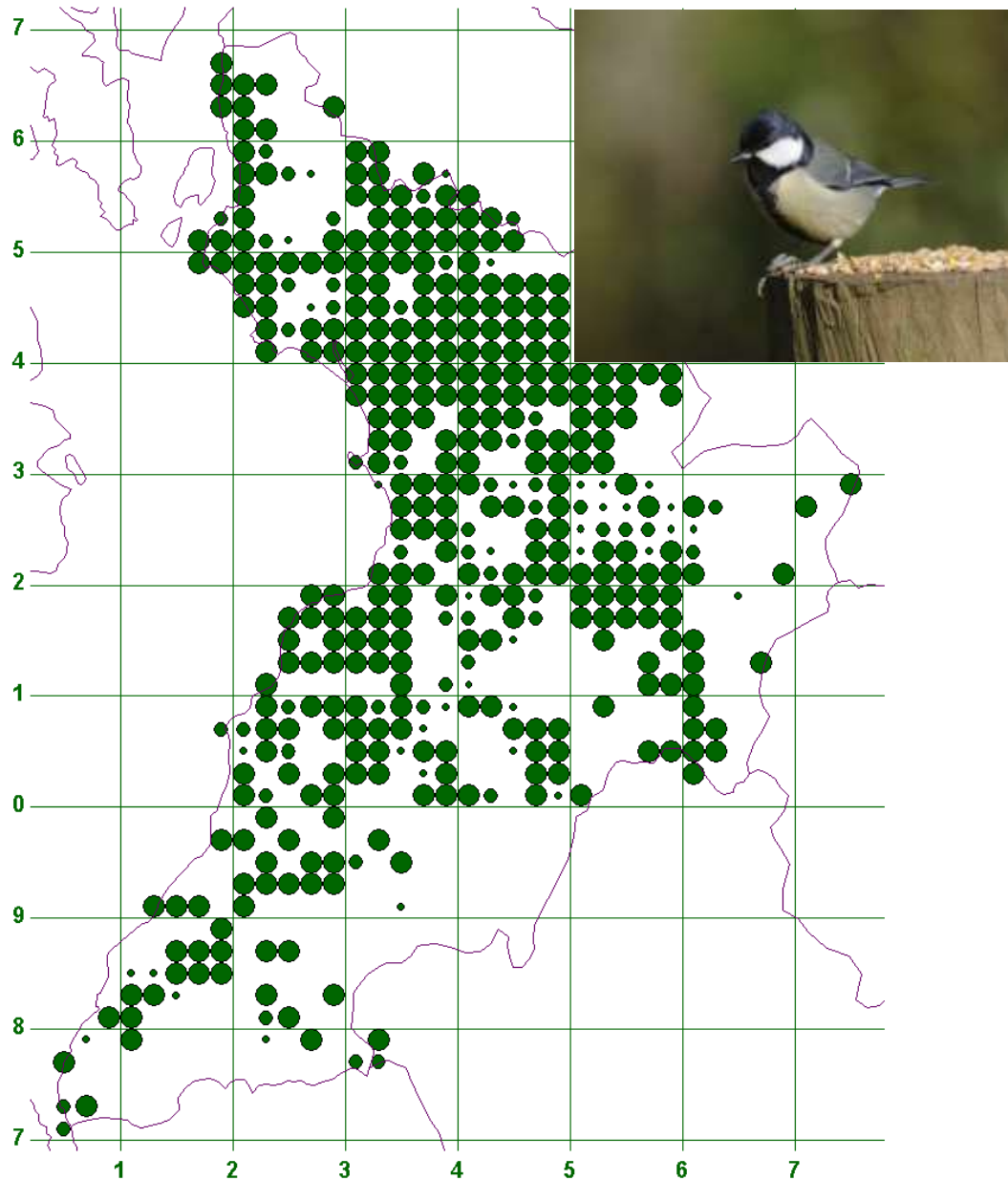


Great Tit (*Parus major*)



Status: Common breeder

Current trend: Like Blue Tit, this species has benefitted from garden feeding, and has shown signs of moving into previously unoccupied areas, particularly conifer plantations. It is a successful and very adaptable species, dominant within its own group of small woodland birds, the only real competitor in recent years appearing to be Nuthatch. The expanding range of Great Tit may have exacerbated the situation with Willow Tit, a species already under pressure from habitat loss.

Follow up: More work into Great Tit's relationships with both Nuthatch and Willow Tit could be worthwhile.