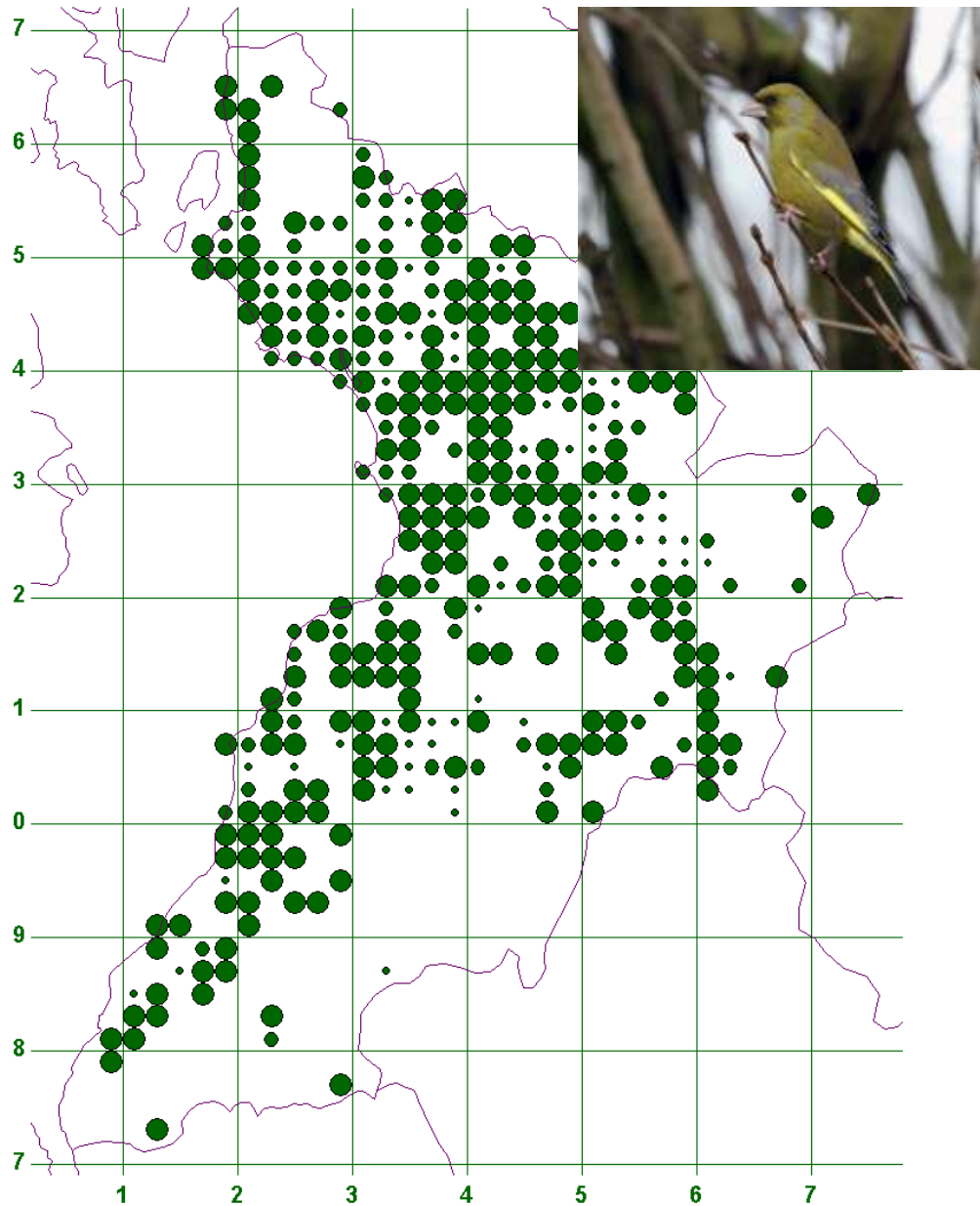


Greenfinch (*Carduelis chloris*)



Status: Common breeder

Current trend: Breeding success of this common finch has fluctuated markedly in recent years, with a recent suggestion that it may have declined during the post-2000 period. As a frequent visitor to garden feeding stations, it can be prone to bacterial disease associated with unclean feeders. This may only partly explain the decrease in numbers since recently recorded post-breeding flock counts might suggest a lack of food availability in the countryside.

Follow up: Continued counts of post-breeding flocks and numbers at garden feeders.