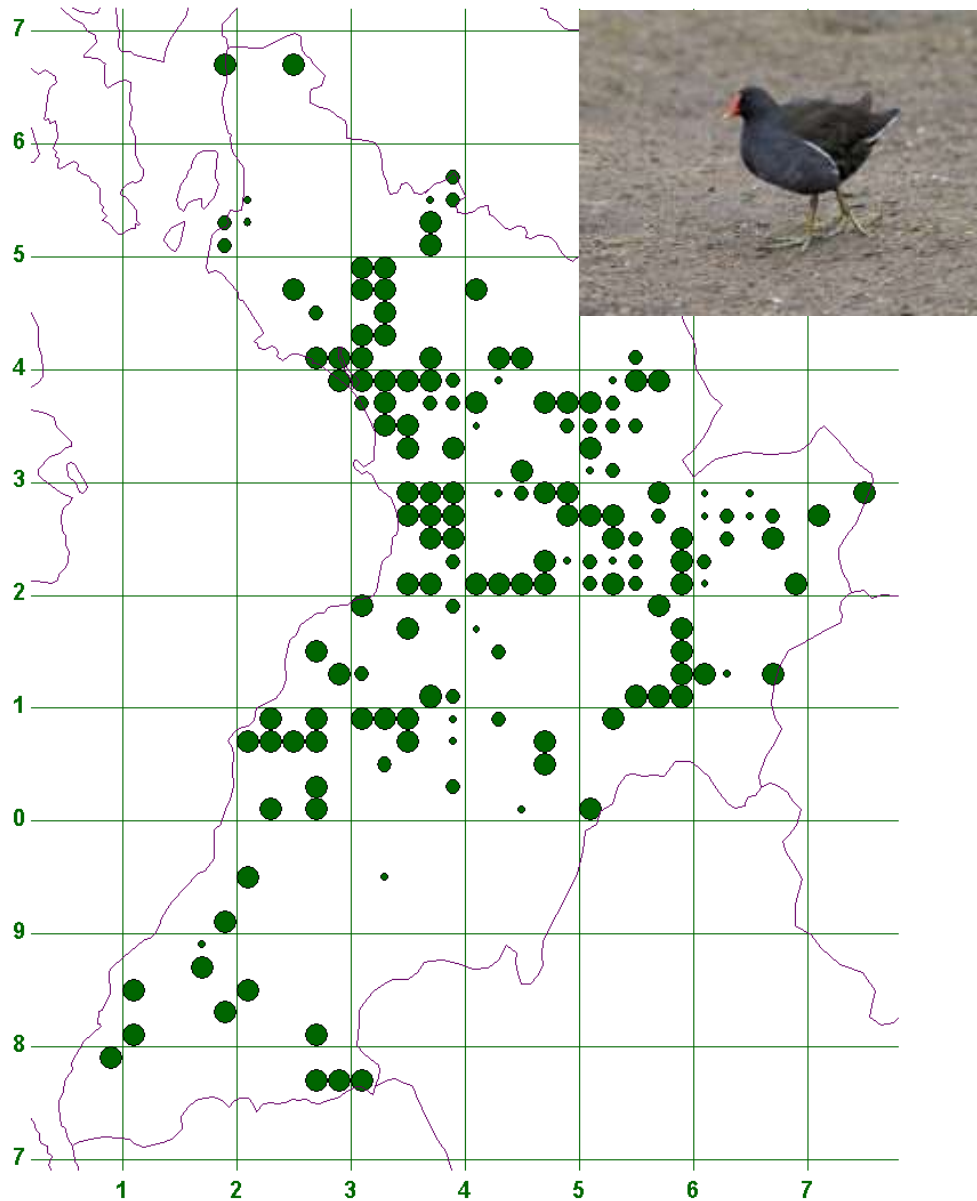


## Moorhen (*Gallinula chloropus*)



**Status:** Common breeder

**Current trend:** The “Stankie” is another species which has had little attention paid to it, and the current population trend is really poorly known. Pressures from habitat change and mammal predation may be reducing the numbers, but there is little more than circumstantial evidence. It is still a relatively common sight in both urban and rural water bodies, as well as maintaining its presence along river banks in many parts of the county.

**Follow up:** Regular recording of both breeding pairs and brood success rates from frequently visited sites may help uncover the population trend.