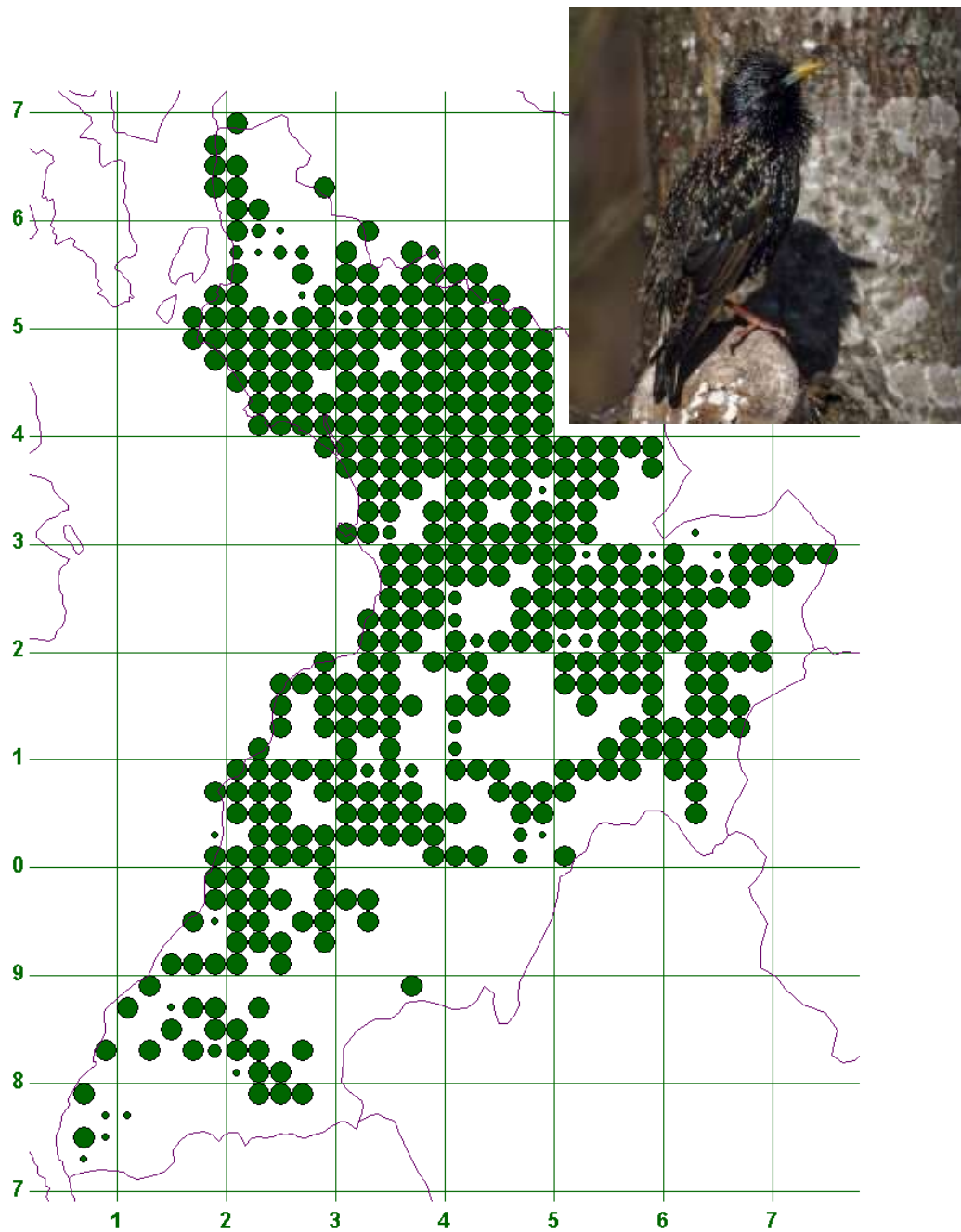


Starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*)



Status: Common breeder

Current trend: A sharp drop in national breeding numbers was noticed about 20 years ago and, since that time, numbers appear to have remained stable or increased slightly once more. It is still a widely distributed species, absent only from some of the more remote upland areas.

Follow up: Much more information is required on breeding success rates, as this tends to be a much overlooked bird.