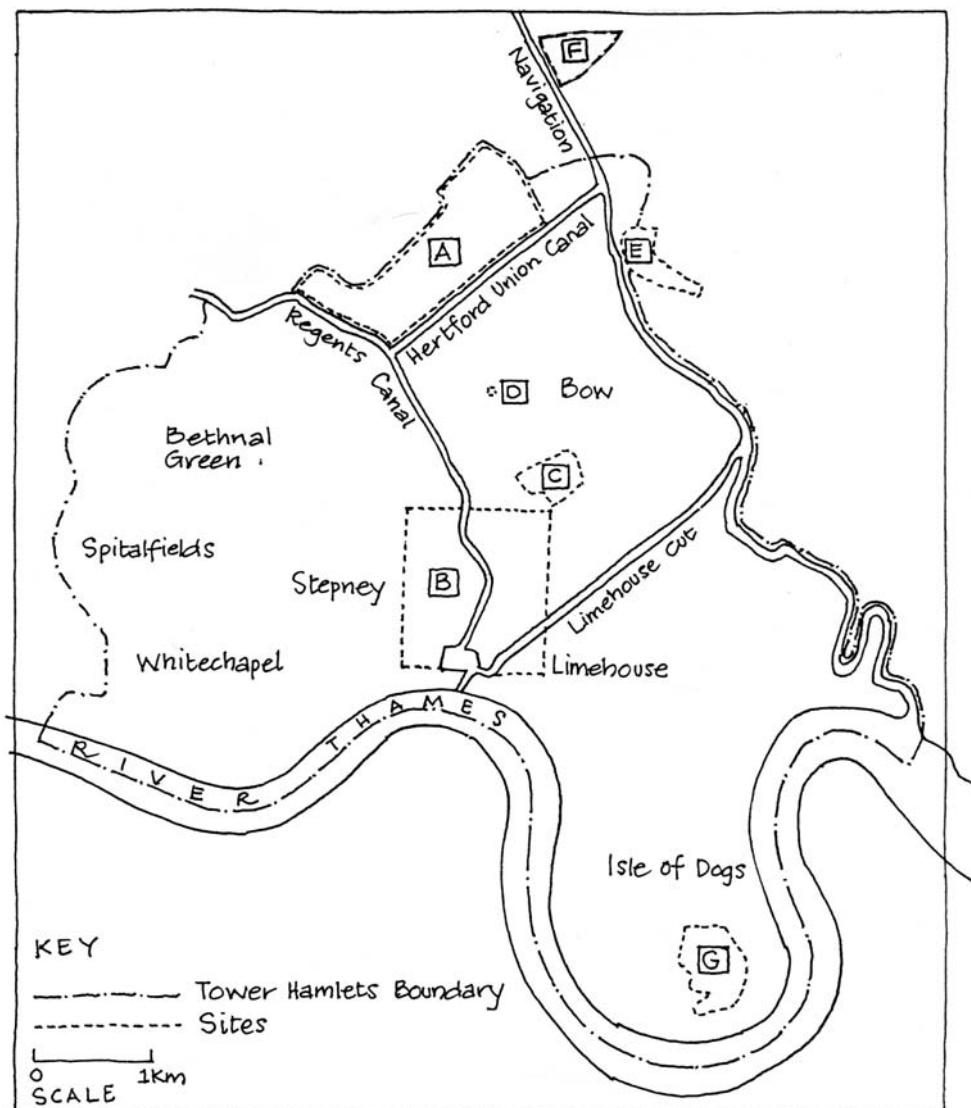


EAST END BIRD REPORT 2010

This report is a record of birds observed on seven sites in the East End of London during 2010. Each site was visited once a month and all birds seen, heard or flying over recorded. Visits normally take one hour, with the same route taken on each visit. The sites selected are varied, but the one thing they have in common is that they represent habitats which are "green" and therefore likely to contain birds not normally associated with densely populated Inner City areas.



A : VICTORIA PARK 57 species
B : LIMEHOUSE 42 species
C : TOWER HAMLETS CEMETERY 31 species
D : GARDEN 23 species
E : GREENWAY 39 species
F : WICK FIELD 40 species
G : MUDCHUTE FARM 39 species
TOTAL 66 species

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Victoria Park : Grid ref: TQ 363 840 : Area: 90 ha

The Park dominates the northern part of the Borough, it is bounded on two sides by the Hertford Union and Regent's Canals; the busy A102M motorway passes close to the eastern edge. The Park is cut in two at its centre by Grove Road. There are ornamental lakes in the western and eastern sections of the Park. Although most of the Park is dominated by close mown grass used for pitches and recreation there are pockets of trees and shrubbery.

SPECIES	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Little Grebe				1					3	2	2	
Great Crested Grebe			1	1	1	1						
Cormorant	3	5	4	7	2	3	6		1	4	1	5
Heron	1			3					1		1	2
Mute Swan	10	11	11	1	1	9	6		5	7	4	5
Greylag Goose	20	18	14	35	13	36	19		2	6	1	6
Canada Goose	42	31	10	11	27	21	2		22	27	54	56
Mandarin Duck										1	1	1
Mallard	30	44	17	29	50	39	75		32	39	36	47
Gadwall		1										
Shoveler	2		2									
Pochard	4	3			6	2						
Tufted Duck	35	52	22	14	6	7	1			1	5	23
Sparrowhawk	1											1
Kestrel							2		1			
Moorhen	12	26	21	15	7	1	6		6	18	14	21
Coot	70	66	50	51	39	44	34		16	74	65	72
Black Headed Gull	275	128	125				3		36	156	133	310
Common Gull	5	8	30	2	1					10		42
Herring Gull						4				2		
Lesser Black backed Gull	2	2		1	1	2	1		1	12	1	
Feral Rock Dove	86	88	58	40	129	99	118		50	52	120	129
Stock Dove					1	2						
Wood Pigeon	25	76	83	44	31	39	16		30	94	50	57
Swift					2	8	6					
Ring necked Parakeet												2
Green Woodpecker	2	2	4	2			3		3	2		2
Great Spotted Woodpecker	1			1	1	2			1			2
Sand Martin					2							
House Martin					3							
Pied Wagtail		1	2		1					3	4	2
Grey Wagtail	1									2		
Wren	1	4	4	12	6	8	9		5	5	2	6
Dunnock		2	1	4	3		3			1	1	
Robin	7	13	7	14	11	7	3		13	16	10	7
Blackbird	16	22	17	33	22	34	34		7	14	17	20
Song Thrush	1	2		2		2	1				1	
Mistle Thrush		10	6	6	3	10	13		10	3	3	4
Redwing	50	289	236									
Fieldfare	3	2	2									1
Blackcap				2	2		2					
Willow warbler				1					2			
Chiffchaff				3	1					2		1
Goldcrest	2											
Spotted Flycatcher									1			
Long Tailed Tit	2	3	4	2	4		5					4
Blue Tit	21	12	23	31	12	13	15		21	8	7	26
Great Tit	15	18	18	25	11	8	15		16	8	9	15
Jay	1	1		1						3	3	1
Magpie	14	12	19	13	15	17	21		12	18	11	15
Carrion Crow	60	56	33	46	47	32	70		35	38	39	43
Starling	11	21	42	15	55	82	36		11	3	43	3
House Sparrow	1				2	1	5					
Chaffinch	4	16	10	7	5	3	7		2	3	2	4
Greenfinch		2	5	2	3	2	1					
Goldfinch	6	4	14	1	7	18	3		2	7	28	1
Linnet					4	2				18		
TOTAL	37	35	32	36	38	32	32		29	34	30	34
DATE	1st	19th	12th	3rd	7th	12th	3rd		3rd	9th	7th	11th

Limehouse: Grid ref:TQ 3681: Area : 1km sq

This area is surveyed as part of the BTO's Breeding Bird Survey. The eastern part of the Survey follows the Regent's Canal from Mile End Road to Limehouse Basin. The western part through typical East End terraced streets and blocks of flats.

SPECIES	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Cormorant	3	4	8	16	12	9	3		5	3	6	2
Mute Swan	2	2	2	3	1	2			3	5		
Grey Heron				2		1						
Greylag Goose				1					3			
Canada Goose	12	16		6	3		2		14	11	9	2
Mallard	9	4	2	1	3	5	3		19	14	4	12
Sparrowhawk										1		
Moorhen	1	3	5		2	2	1		3	6	7	5
Tufted Duck		15	7	15	4	6	4		1		4	
Coot	30	34	35	23	21	24	28		29	25	22	21
Whimbrel									1			
Black headed Gull	62	32	103	1		4	1		7	23	69	226
Common Gull					1							1
Lesser Black backed Gull	1		1	3	4	2	1		2	1	2	2
Common Tern						4						
Feral Rock Dove	72	103	76	114	178	73	114		106	123	127	53
Woodpigeon	16	34	18	22	6	11	10		10	5	9	13
Swift					2	2						
Sand Martin				3	1							
Rose-ringed Parakeet				1					2		1	
Grey Wagtail					2	1				1		
Pied Wagtail			2		1	3			1			1
Wren	4	3	5	9	8	2	4		2	2	5	3
Dunnock	1	3		3	1		2		1	3	3	1
Robin	2	1	4	5	1		3		7	5	2	5
Blackbird	17	12	12	36	29	15	9		10	8	7	19
Redwing	39	32	3									14
Song Thrush										1		
Mistle Thrush		1	1	2								
Blackcap				1	2							
Whitethroat					2							
Long Tailed Tit	1	2	4						1			
Blue Tit	9	10	11	21	14	7	10		10	5	6	9
Great Tit	11	14	12	13	15	4	4		5	11	8	14
Jay									1		1	1
Magpie	3	6	2	2	10	2	5		5	3	8	7
Carrion Crow	22	20	16	38	34	23	25		26	17	36	21
Starling	19	53	7	19	50	9	78		54	6	31	20
House Sparrow	5	9	1	11	29	39	20		7	8	11	12
Chaffinch	11	1	3	1	2	3			1	2	1	3
Greenfinch	1	2		3		2	4		1		3	
Goldfinch	14		1	6	4	3	12		3	1		11
TOTAL	25	25	25	29	29	26	22		30	25	24	25
DATE	16th	26th	14th	25th	31st	18th	16th		4th	15th	19th	19th

Tower Hamlets Cemetery: Grid ref:TQ 367 824 : Area:11 ha

Tower Hamlets Cemetery is an oasis of greenery in the East End providing a blend of history and natural history. The Cemetery provides almost all the woodland in the Borough. The last burial was in 1996.

SPECIES	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Cormorant		1					1					
Canada Goose										2		
Sparrowhawk						1				1		
Kestrel												1
Black headed Gull	2		2	1							1	11
Lesser Black backed Gull							1				1	
Common Gull										5		
Ferel Rock Dove	2	4	2	6	5	5	3		1	2	10	1
Woodpigeon	9	10	14	16	7	9	9		5	13	133	9
Swift						4						
Ring necked Parakeet				1								
Green Woodpecker		2	1	1		1	1					1
Great Spotted Woodpecker	1	1	1	1	1	1			1			
Wren	10	14	9	10	13	13	10		6	9	16	9
Dunnock		1	1	2								2
Robin	5	5	9	4	4	5	5		8	8	7	4
Blackbird	15	19	8	9	19	14	16		5	12	8	11
Fieldfare												3
Song Thrush		1					1					
Redwing	1	5	1									
Blackcap					5	2	2					
Chiffchaff			1		1							1
Long Tailed Tit	1	6	2	2		1	2				2	
Blue Tit	14	9	11	8	4	4	7		8	7	8	7
Great Tit	14	13	10	7	6	3	10		12	7	10	7
Jay		2			2				2	1	2	
Magpie	8	9	6	3	4	2	7		11	7	8	10
Carrion Crow	14	15	15	11	6	3	3		5	11	16	11
Starling												7
Chaffinch	1	4	14	1	2	1					1	1
Goldfinch		1	2				18				1	
TOTAL	14	19	18	16	14	16	16		11	13	15	17
DATE	3rd	14th	7th	2nd	9th	4th	4th		17th	3rd	6th	5th

Garden : Antill Road E3 : Area : 75msq

Small, end of terrace garden with bird feeders situated in the midst of typical East End streets with back to back gardens.

SPECIES	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Cormorant	F	F			F		F		F			
Sparrowhawk	F						X					X
Black Headed Gull		F										
Feral Rock Dove					X							
Woodpigeon	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Swift					F	F	F					
House Martin					F	F	F					
Wren	X	X		X			X		X	X	X	
Dunnock	X	X										X
Robin	X	X	X							X	X	X
Blackbird	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X
Song Thrush												X
Redwing	X	X										
Blackcap			X									
Blue Tit	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Great Tit	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Magpie					X	X					X	
Carrion Crow							X				X	
Starling	X	X	X		X	X	X				X	X
House Sparrow	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		
Chaffinch	X	X									X	X
Greenfinch	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Goldfinch	X		X		X	X	X		X	X	X	

present in garden
 F flying over garden
 H heard from garden

Greenway: Grid ref: TQ 374 839 : Area: 7.6 ha

The Greenway consists of a steep-sided bank over the Northern Outfall Sewer and supports a mixture of rough vegetation and scrub. The Greenway crosses the Lee Navigation which also forms the eastern boundary of the site.

SPECIES	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Cormorant	5	1		2	3	6	3				3	3
Grey Heron	1		1		1	3						2
Mute Swan	2		2	2	2					4		
Canada Goose	5			2								
Mallard	1		3	1	4	3			4	3	143	
Kestrel		1	1									
Moorhen	2	5	3	1		1	1			4	6	3
Coot	3	3	2		3	3	4		4	5	6	7
Black Headed Gull	15	3	4				2			3	4	16
Common Gull							1				1	2
Lesser blackbacked Gull	3	1	1	2	3	3	2				6	5
Feral Rock Dove	5	6	5	6	16	18	8		11	5	10	3
Woodpigeon	6	14	7	7	7	8	5		6	7	2	3
Sand Martin						1	2					
House Martin									1			
Grey Wagtail					1	1			1			
Pied Wagtail	1								1	1	2	
Wren	2	1	4	5	7	6	2			1	5	4
Dunnock	1	4	4	7	9	3	2		1	1	5	2
Robin	3	4	6	4	2	1	1		3	7	5	2
Whinchat									1			
Blackbird	4	3		5	4	5	5		3	2	10	5
Song Thrush	1	1				1						
Redwing	8											
Fieldfare	5											
Reed Warbler							1					
Whitethroat				1	3	1						
Blackcap				1	1	2	1					
Chiffchaff				2								
Long Tailed Tit				2						6	5	8
Blue Tit	4	2	3	3	2	8	1		7	5	8	7
Great Tit	5	4	2	5	4	6			1	8	4	2
Jay									1			
Magpie	7	2	2	2	3	2			2	2	3	2
Carrion Crow	2	1	1	2					1		1	2
Starling										20		
Chaffinch	1		2		1						27	8
Greenfinch	3	5	5	4	4	4	10				1	
Goldfinch	6	3			2	2	3		4	2	3	
TOTAL	26	19	19	21	21	22	18		17	18	23	19
DATE	10th	20th	13th	10th	14th	13th	15th		12th	10th	14th	12th

Wick Field : Area : 10 ha

Wick Field is situated in the London Borough of Newham on a triangular site with the busy A12 East Cross route on the southern boundary, Homerton Road to the north and the River Lee Navigation to the west. The site has a variety of habitats including scrub and low plantation, woodland, recent tree planting and water, with the sports pitches of Hackney Marsh on the other side of Homerton Road.

SPECIES	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Comorant	1	7	1	2	7	2	2			1	3	1
Mute Swan	5	9		3	1				4		3	12
Canada Goose	2	4			2		15		7		5	7
Greylag Goose		2										2
Mallard		2	4	5		4			3			
Sparrowhawk				1		1						
Moorhen	2		1	1	1	1	1			3	1	1
Coot	4	3	3	1	2	4	1		4		2	4
Black Headed Gull	6	12					1			5	16	14
Lesser Black backed Gull	2			1	1	1	1		1			1
Common Gull									2			
Common Tern					1	1						
Feral Rock Dove			3	1	4	3	11		5	2		2
Woodpigeon	5	4	12	11	9	6	6		11	4	3	2
Swift					2	3						
Green Woodpecker		2	1	1								
Sand Martin						1						
House Martin							3					
Wren	2	3	4	9	12	7	6		9	5	7	2
Dunnock	2	2	2	5	1	1			3	4	3	2
Robin	9	5	4	5	7	1	5		9	8	8	1
Blackbird	12	11	11	12	11	11	3		4	9	12	10
Song Thrush	1	4	2	2	1	1	2					
Redwing	4											
Mistle Thrush					1				3			
Blackcap				7	5	6	2					
Whitethroat					1	2						
Chiffchaff			1	3	2				3	1		
Willow Warbler									1			
Long Tailed Tit	9	8	2	2	2							
Blue Tit	6	5	4	12	4		5		3	1	3	8
Great Tit	5	6	4	7	2	13	6		7	5	5	4
Jay	2		1	1					3	2	3	
Magpie	2	2	3	3	4	2	5		1	2	2	3
Carrion Crow	11	4	8	7	4	3	5		1	8	3	10
Starling	3	2	5	1	3	1			10	13	5	6
Chaffinch		1	1	3	4	2	1		2		3	2
Greenfinch				1	2							
Goldfinch										3		3
Reed Bunting						1						
TOTAL	21	21	21	26	27	24	19		22	17	18	21
DATE	23rd	28th	27th	11th	23rd	20th	24th		30th	16th	20th	24th

Mudchute Farm: Grid ref :TQ 381 789 : Area : 12 ha

The Mudchute is a mixed habitat with woodland, scrub, allotments, pond and is the largest city farm in Europe situated on a raised mound on the southern tip of the Isle of Dogs with the towering blocks of Canary Wharf as a neighbour.

SPECIES	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Cormorant									1			
Mute Swan											3	
Canada Goose									4			
Mallard		7	4	6					7	3		
Sparrowhawk										1		
Black Headed Gull	5	11	4				1		4	2	38	12
Common Gull			2			1					5	1
Lesser B b Gull		2			1	1	1			1	1	1
Feral Rock Dove	14	12	10	27	17	26	26		34	57	53	35
Woodpigeon	11	19	20	18	21	19	23		29	26	40	15
Monk Parakeet	2		6	6	3	2	4		4	22	8	2
Great Spotted Woodpecker							1		1			1
House Martin					2							
Pied Wagtail												1
Wren	8	8	8	12	10	15	7		4	5	2	3
Dunnock	2	9	7	4	4	8	3		2	5	3	
Robin	7	3	4	4	5	6	4		11	8	5	5
Wheatear				2								
Blackbird	12	16	18	23	15	13	14		16	19	11	17
Fieldfare	1											
Redwing	20	21									2	
Song Thrush	2	3	3	5	1						1	
Mistle Thrush	1					2				1		
Garden Warbler						1						
Whitethroat					1	3						
Blackcap				6	3	5	1					
Chiffchaff			1	1	1		1		6			
Willow warbler			1	2					3			
Goldcrest										2		
Long Tailed Tit	4	1	4		1	3			6	7	11	
Blue Tit	6	13	4	8	6	10	4		6	7	10	6
Great Tit	13	9	11	12	8	5	7		11	8	3	6
Magpie	14	16	6	15	7	14	12		9	9	19	9
Carrion Crow	19	18	17	20	17	20	19		13	21	14	25
Starling	1	1		24	7	44	8		18	40	1	25
House Sparrow	10	5	7	3	7	15	26		2	3	2	10
Chaffinch	3	11		1		2			1	12	2	2
Greenfinch	3	13	4	14	9	5	10			3	1	
Goldfinch	7	2		1		1	41		8	3	1	3
TOTAL	22	21	20	22	21	23	20		23	23	23	19
DATE	30th	27th	28th	24th	30th	23rd	30th		24th	30th		27th

Population changes in number of birds seen between 1999 and 2010

1999 /2010 List	Species	1999	2009	2010	1999/2010	2009/2010
1	Little Grebe	0	3	8	800%	266%
2	Great crested Grebe	3	4	4	133%	0%
3	Cormorant	138	143	168	121%	117%
4	Liittle Egret	0	1	0	0	-100%
5	Grey Heron	48	28	19	-60%	-32%
6	Mute Swan	136	75	142	104%	189%
7	Greylag Goose	93	172	178	191%	103%
8	Canada Goose	872	567	433	-50%	-24%
9	Egyptian Goose	0	0	0	0	0
10	Mandarin Duck	0	0	3	300%	300%
11	Teal	0	0	0	0	0
12	Mallard	498	471	721	147%	153%
13	Gadwall	0	0	1	100%	100%
14	Shoveller	18	17	4	-78%	-76%
15	Pochard	95	17	15	-84%	-12%
16	Red Crested Pochard	0	16	0	0	-100%
17	Tufted Duck	281	95	222	-21%	234%
18	Ruddy Duck	0	0	0	0	0
19	Sparrowhawk	16	15	8	-50%	-47%%
20	Kestrel	32	6	6	-81%	0
21	Peregrine Falcon	0	0	0	0	0
22	Hobby	0	0	0	0	0
23	Pheasant	0	0	0	0	0
24	Moorhen	143	174	220	154%	126%
25	Coot	377	779	941	250%	121%
26	Whimbrel	0	0	1	100%	100%
27	Woodcock	0	0	0	0	0
28	Common Snipe	0	0	0	0	0
29	Common Sandpiper	0	0	0	0	0
30	Black headed Gull	2496	1446	1889	-24%	131%
31	Common Gull	62	91	111	237%	122%
32	Herring Gull	10	6	15	150%	250%
33	Lesser Black backed Gull	27	78	86	318%	110%
34	Great Black backed Gull	0	0	0	0	0
35	Common Tern	27	13	6	-88%	-54%
36	Stock Dove	3	2	3	0	150%
37	Feral Rock Dove	1738	2606	2584	149%	-1%
38	Woodpigeon	1020	1056	1319	129%	125%
39	Collared Dove	1	1	0	-100%	-100%
40	Cuckoo	0	0	0	0	0
41	Ring necked Parakeet	0	0	7	700%	700%
42	Monk Parakeet	0	65	59	5900%	-9%
43	Swift	38	45	29	-24%	-36%
44	Kingfisher	4	0	0	-400%	0
45	Green Woodpecker	0	15	31	3100%	207%
46	Great Spotted Woodpecker	6	27	18	300%	-34%
47	Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	1	0	0	-100%	0
48	Sand Martin	19	10	10	-47%	0
49	Swallow	111	1	0	-100%	-100%
50	House Martin	84	11	9	-91%	-18%
51	Tree Pipit	0	0	0	0	0
52	Meadow Pipit	21	0	0	-100%	0
53	Grey Wagtail	10	10	10	0	0
54	Pied Wagtail	104	65	27	-74%	-58%
55	Wren	445	393	413	-7%	105%
56	Dunnock	235	160	150	-36%	-6%
57	Robin	330	346	369	119%	107%
58	Redstart	0	0	0	0	0
59	Black Redstart	0	0	0	0	0
60	Wheatear	0	1	2	200%	200%

1999 /2010 List	Species	1999	2009	2010	1999/2010	2009/2010
61	Whinchat	0	0	1	100%	100%
62	Stonechat	0	0	0	0	0
63	Blackbird	1390	934	872	-37%	-7%
64	Ring Ouzel	0	0	0	0	0
65	Fieldfare	94	12	17	-82%	-142%
66	Song Thrush	46	45	43	-7%	-4%
67	Redwing	33	117	725	2197%	620%
68	Mistle Thrush	106	88	77	-27%	-12%
69	Sedge Warbler	9	0	0	-900%	0
70	Reed Warbler	2	0	1	-100%	100%
71	Lesser Whitethroat	1	1	0	-100%	-100%
72	Whitethroat	44	14	14	-68%	0
73	Garden Warbler	4	1	1	-75%	0
74	Blackcap	24	56	58	242%	104%
75	Chiffchaff	12	56	32	267%	-43%
76	Willow Warbler	16	3	10	-38%	333%
77	Goldcrest	31	12	4	-87%	-66%
78	Firecrest	0	2	0	0	-100%
79	Spotted Flycatcher	1	1	1	0	0
80	Long Tailed Tit	61	206	129	211%	-37%
81	Blue Tit	564	477	569	101%	119%
82	Great Tit	282	501	566	201%	113%
83	Treecreeper	0	0	0	0	0
84	Jay	49	37	35	-29%	-5%
85	Magpie	363	453	481	132%	106%
86	Carrion Crow	1422	1251	1164	-18%	-7%
87	Starling	1297	806	913	-38%	113%
88	House Sparrow	1106	224	251	-77%	112%
89	Chaffinch	125	186	208	166%	112%
90	Greenfinch	164	207	132	-20%	-36%
91	Goldfinch	261	260	266	102%	102%
92	Siskin	0	0	0	0	0
93	Linnet	201	9	24	-88%	266%
94	Redpoll	0	0	0	0	0
95	Bullfinch	0	0	0	0	0
96	Yellowhammer	0	0	0	0	0
97	Reed Bunting	0	0	1	100%	100%
98	Cockatiel	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL NUMBER	17250	14990	15858		
	TOTAL SPECIES	64	65	66		

Abundance list based on a minimum of 100 sightings during 2009

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| 1 Feral Rock Dove | 18 Chaffinch |
| 2 Black Headed Gull | 19 Moorhen |
| 3 Carrion Crow | 20 Greylag Goose |
| 4 Woodpigeon | 21 Greenfinch |
| 5 Blackbird | 23 Dunnock |
| 6 Starling | 24 Cormorant |
| 7 Coot | 25 Redwing |
| 8 Canada Goose | |
| 9 Great Tit | |
| 10 Blue Tit | |
| 11 Mallard | |
| 12 Magpie | |
| 13 Wren | |
| 14 Robin | |
| 15 Goldfinch | |
| 16 House Sparrow | |
| 17 Long Tailed Tit | |