

Key to geographical regions and recording areas used in RBBP reports

The reports produced by the Rare Breeding Birds Panel and published in *British Birds* use the following recording areas, grouped into regions of the UK. These areas are normally based on counties and are the names used by the local bird recorders for those areas. In Wales, the recording areas are based on the Watsonian vice-counties which are shown in the Welsh Bird Report, produced by the Welsh Ornithological Society (e.g. Green, J., Berry, S., & Pritchard, R. 2007. Welsh Bird Report No. 19: 2005. *Welsh Birds* 4: 456-603). In Scotland, the recording areas are based on local bird report areas and are shown on the SOC website (www.the-soc.org.uk). Scottish Raptor Study Group areas are, however, different. As some raptor data are available only by these areas, these names are used where necessary in this report. A map showing the boundaries of these is on the website of the Scottish Raptor Study Groups www.scottishraptorgroups.org/areas/.

England, SW

Avon, Cornwall, Devon, Dorset, Gloucestershire, Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Isles of Scilly, Somerset, Wiltshire.

England, SE

Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Essex, Greater London, Hertfordshire, Kent, Oxfordshire, Surrey, Sussex.

England, E

Cambridgeshire, Lincolnshire, Norfolk, Northamptonshire, Suffolk.

England, Central

Derbyshire, Herefordshire, Leicestershire & Rutland, Nottinghamshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire, West Midlands, Worcestershire.

England, N

Cheshire & Wirral, Cleveland, Cumbria, Durham, Greater Manchester, Isle of Man, Lancashire & North Merseyside, Northumberland, Yorkshire.

Wales

The Watsonian vice-counties of Anglesey (Môn), Brecon (Brycheiniog), Caernarfon, Carmarthen (Caerfyrddin), Ceredigion, Denbigh (Dinbych) & Flint (Fflint), Glamorgan (Morgannwg), Gower, Gwent, Meirionnydd, Montgomery (Trefaldwyn), Pembroke (Penfro), Radnor (Maesyfed).

Scotland, S

The local bird-recording areas of Ayrshire, Borders, Clyde, Clyde Islands, Dumfries & Galloway, Lothian.

Scotland, Mid

The local bird-recording areas of Angus & Dundee, Fife, Isle Of May, Moray & Nairn, Northeast Scotland, Perth & Kinross, Upper Forth,.

Scotland, N & W

The local bird-recording areas of Argyll, Caithness, Fair Isle, Highland, Orkney, Outer Hebrides, Shetland.

Northern Ireland Co. Antrim, Co. Armagh, Co. Down, Co. Fermanagh, Co. Londonderry, Co. Tyrone.