

Numbers of Water Rails reported to RBBP in 2010, with county estimates of the maximum number of pairs in the county, where provided.

Incorporating these estimated totals increases the 2010 Water Rail estimate to around 1200 breeding pairs in the UK. However, this is an elusive species and for many counties we only have totals of territories recorded, which in many areas will themselves be an under-estimate of the true total.

RBBP has now been collating data on Water Rails for five years now and plan to do a review of sites and numbers across that period for the next RBBP report to be published in *British Birds* in 2013.

County	Total pairs recorded in 2010	County estimate (maximum pairs)	No. of sites where recorded in 2010
<b>England, SW</b>			
Avon	5		2
Cornwall	2		2
Devon	7	8	5
Dorset	8		7
Gloucestershire	3		3
Hampshire	24	100	12
Isle of Wight	2		1
Isles of Scilly	2		2
Somerset	51	70	8
Wiltshire	1	5	1
<b>England, SE</b>			
Bedfordshire	3		3
Berkshire	2		2
Essex	26		15
Hertfordshire	9		5
Kent	49		16
Oxfordshire	5		1
Surrey	12		8
Sussex	6		6
<b>England, E</b>			
Cambridgeshire	25		9
Lincolnshire	7		5
Norfolk	25		10
Northamptonshire	3		3
Suffolk	236	300	21
<b>England, C</b>			
Derbyshire	5		2
Leicestershire & Rutland	3		3
Nottinghamshire	7		2
Shropshire	4		4
Staffordshire	19		4
Warwickshire	7		5
West Midlands	1		1
Worcestershire	11		5

<b>England, N</b>		
Cheshire & Wirral	15	9
Cleveland	4	4
Cumbria	5	5
Durham	5	5
Greater Manchester	19	17
Lancashire & N Merseyside	110	4
Northumberland	11	11
Yorkshire	88	24
<b>Scotland, S</b>		
Ayrshire	7	5
Borders	11	9
Clyde	14	12
Clyde Islands	1	1
Dumfries & Galloway	7	5
Lothian	2	2
<b>Scotland, mid</b>		
Angus & Dundee	15	3
Fife	2	2
Moray & Nairn	6	6
NE Scotland	14	8
Perth & Kinross	5	5
<b>Scotland, N&amp;W</b>		
Argyll	14	6
Caithness	1	1
Highland	7	7
Orkney	7	5
Outer Hebrides	2	2
Shetland	1	1
<b>Wales</b>		
Anglesey	33	4
Breconshire	2	2
Caernarfonshire	3	2
Carmarthenshire	3	3
Ceredigion	6	3
Denbigh & Flint	3	2
Eastern Glamorgan	2	2
Gower	6	3
Gwent	8	1
Montgomeryshire	1	1
Pembrokeshire	5	3
Radnorshire	14	11
<b>N Ireland</b>		
Co. Antrim	0	0
Co. Down	2	1
Co. Fermanagh	1	1
<b>UK TOTALS</b>	<b>1032</b>	<b>371</b>
<b>Revised total based on estimates</b>		<b>1197</b>