

Official Statistics: Point of first release: statistics on abundance of UK butterflies

Trends of UK butterfly species are based on results of the UK Butterfly Monitoring Scheme (UKBMS), presented at UK level, and at country level where there are sufficient data. The UKBMS helps the UK to meet its obligations under the European Habitats Directive (for Marsh Fritillary and Large Blue), and to report on, implement or deliver country biodiversity strategies and biodiversity indicators.

The UKBMS is run by Butterfly Conservation, the Centre for Ecology & Hydrology, and the British Trust for Ornithology, in partnership with a consortium of government agencies. The UKBMS is indebted to all volunteers who contribute data to the scheme.

Guidance: Lead local flood authority: duty to maintain a register

Lead local flood authorities (LLFAs) must:

- create and maintain a register of a river's structures or features which might have an effect on a flood risk
- keep records of these structures or features, including their ownership and condition

LLFAs don't have to use this template to create their register and keep records.

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National Statistics: Northern Ireland Environmental Statistics Report – 2017

This report is intended to be the first reference point for a range of environmental indicators and will provide, where available, annual updates on the indicators contained within it. It is of both public and academic interest and provides a valuable resource across government in providing links to government strategies.

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