

**European Community Directive  
on the Conservation of Natural Habitats  
and of Wild Fauna and Flora  
(92/43/EEC)**

**Second Report by the United Kingdom under  
Article 17  
on the implementation of the Directive  
from January 2001 to December 2006**

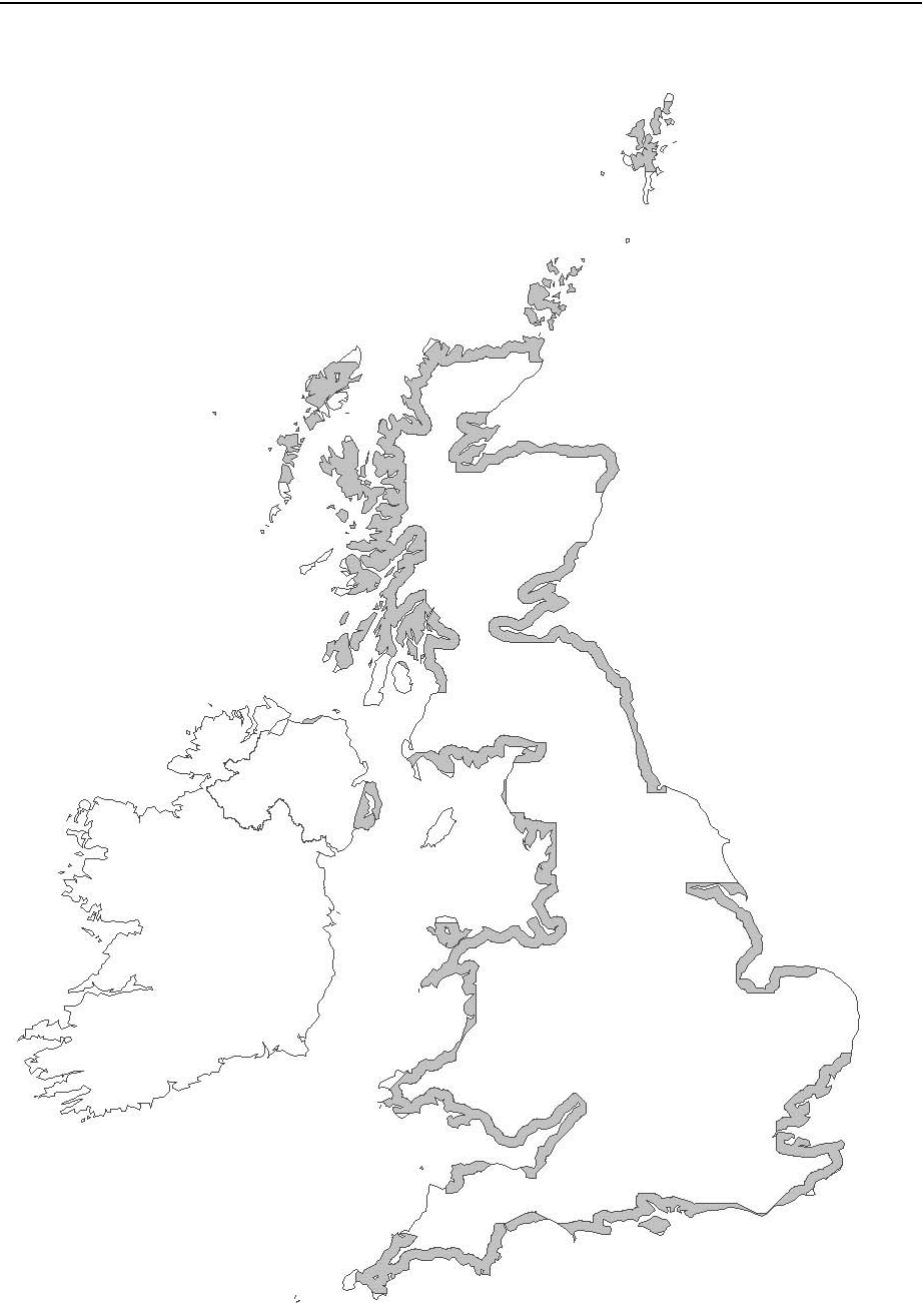
**Conservation status assessment for  
Habitat:**

**H1330 - Atlantic salt meadows (*Glauco-  
Puccinellietalia maritimae*)**

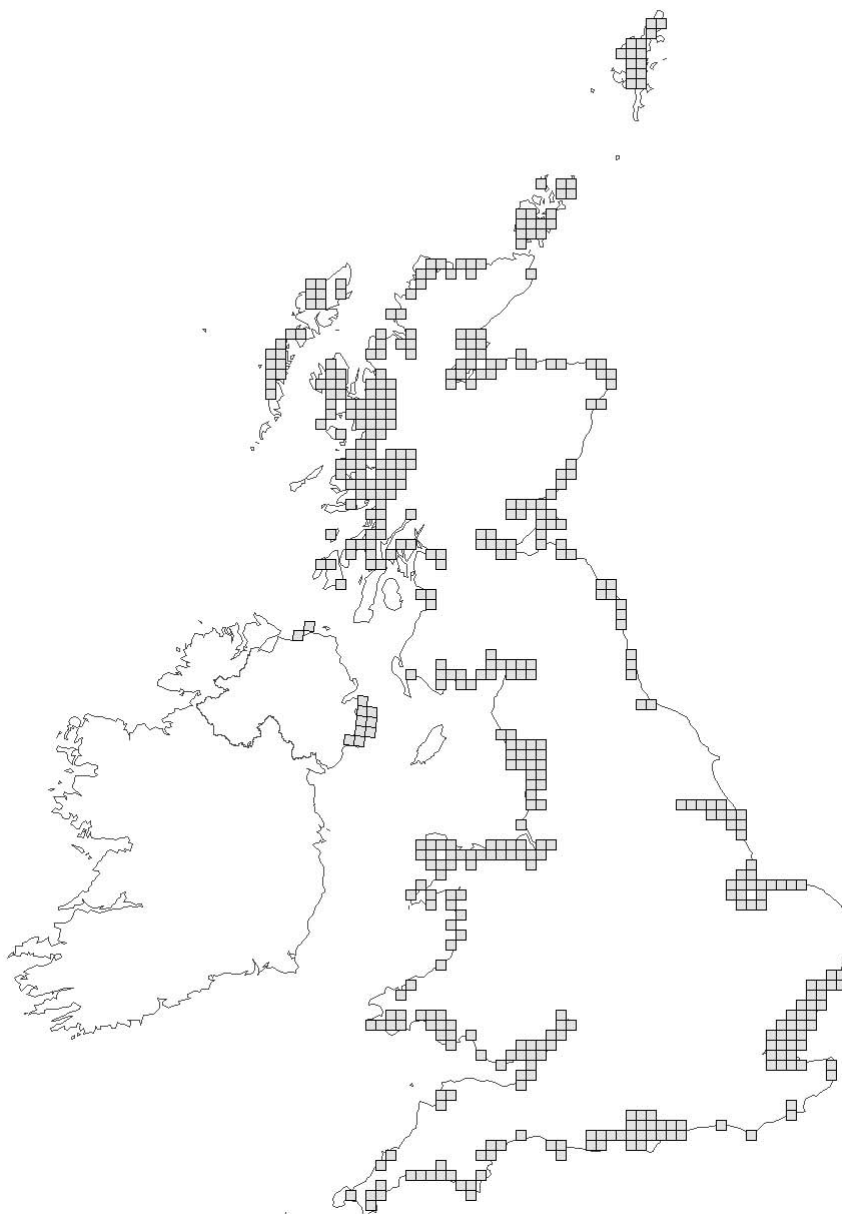
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**Habitat Name: Atlantic salt meadows (*Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritimae*)**

<b>1. National level</b>	
Habitat Code	H1330
Member State	UK
Biogeographic regions concerned within the MS	ATL
1.1 Habitat range map	

## 1.2 Habitat distribution map



## 2. Biogeographic level

2.1 Biogeographic region or marine region

ATL

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### 2.3 Range of the habitat within the Biogeographic or marine region

2.3.1 Surface area of range in square km	5168
2.3.2 Date of range determination	05/2007
2.3.3 Quality of data concerning range	Moderate
2.3.4 Range trend	Stable (=)
2.3.5 Range trend magnitude in %	Not applicable
2.3.6 Range trend period	1994-2006
2.3.7 Reasons for reported trend	Not applicable

### 2.4 Area covered by habitat type within the range in the biogeographical region concerned.

2.4.1 Surface area of the habitat type (sq km)	less than 292.3
2.4.2 Date of area estimation	05/2007

2.4.3 Method used for area estimation	3 - Ground based survey
2.4.4 Quality of data on area	Moderate
2.4.5 Area trend	Decreasing (-)
2.4.6 Area trend magnitude in %	less than 1%
2.4.7 Area trend period	1973-1998
2.4.8 Reasons for reported trend	2 - Climate change; 3 - Direct human influence; 4 - Indirect anthropo or zoogenic influence; 5 - Natural processes;
2.4.9 Justification of % thresholds for trends (optional)	Not applicable
2.4.10 Main pressures	140 - Grazing; 141 - Abandonment of pastoral systems; 420 - Discharges; 701 - water pollution; 703 - soil pollution; 730 - Military manouvres; 802 - reclamation of land from sea, estuary or marsh; 810 - Drainage; 840 - Flooding; 851 - modification of marine currents; 871 - sea defense or coast protection works; 900 - Erosion; 930 - Submersion; 954 - invasion by a species; 971 - competition;
2.4.11 Threats	140 - Grazing; 141 - Abandonment of pastoral systems; 420 - Discharges; 701 - water pollution; 702 - air pollution; 703 - soil pollution; 730 - Military manouvres; 802 - reclamation of land from sea, estuary or marsh; 810 - Drainage; 840 - Flooding; 851 - modification of marine currents; 871 - sea defense or coast protection works; 900 - Erosion; 930 - Submersion; 950 - Biocenotic evolution; 954 - invasion by a species; 971 - competition;
<b>Complementary information</b>	
2.5.1 Favourable reference range (sq km)	5168
2.5.2 Favourable reference area (sq km)	Unknown
2.5.3 Typical species	<i>Aster tripolium</i> ; <i>Blysmus rufus</i> ; <i>Carex extensa</i> ; <i>Hordeum marinum</i> ; <i>Juncus maritimus</i> ; <i>Limonium humile</i> ;
2.5.4 Typical species assessment	Change in 10km square occupancy over last 25yrs
2.5.5 Other relevant information	
<b>2.6 Conclusions (assessment of conservation status at end of reporting period)</b>	
(2.3) Range	(FV) - Favourable
(2.4) Area	(U1-) - Inadequate and deteriorating
(2.5) Specific structures and functions (incl. typical species)	(U2-) - Bad and deteriorating
Future prospects	(U2-) - Bad and deteriorating
Overall assessment	(U2-) - Bad and deteriorating