

Notes for participants

- This workshop is part of the DECIDE project: <https://www.ceh.ac.uk/our-science/projects/decide>
- As part of the DECIDE project we want to provide recorders with personalised email newsletters based on their recording activity, and/or the activity of other recorders. We want to know what to include in these newsletters. So that we are not starting from a blank canvas we have produced some workshop materials to prompt discussion.
- The materials we have provided here are a series of concepts for items that we call 'data stories'. Each data story tells you something about your biological records and/or biological records from other people.
- Please remember that the materials here are **concepts** – nothing is set in stone, and anything can be changed, try not to focus on the details. The materials represent ideas, rather than a set format.
- In the workshop we will be discussing these data stories and are interested in hearing what you like/dislike about each data story, and if there are anything not represented here that you would like to see in an email newsletter.

A

Great find!

Last month you visited GR14224232 and recorded 8 species. One of the species you recorded was Dotted Border, *Agriopsis marginaria*.



This grid square had a high recording priority, and this was the first record of this species in this grid square.

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Top of the tables?

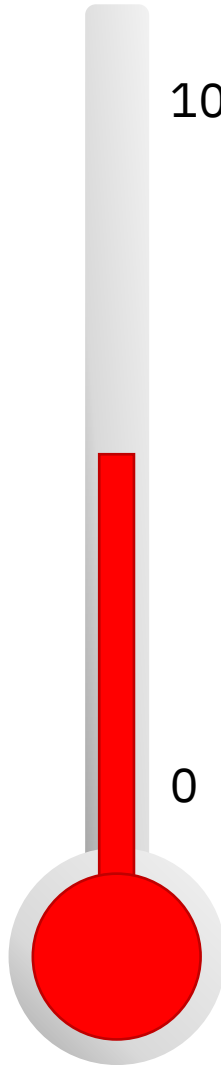
Number of records	46	10th
Number of records in high priority areas	13	4th
Number of squares visited	17	15th

You are ranked 10th for the number of records, but when it comes to recording in high priority areas you are ranked 4th!
You may not record the most but when you do your records are valuable.

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Road to 10,000 high value records



Over 2022 we want to improve our understanding of species distributions.

To do this we're aiming to get records in 10,000 high priority areas.

High priority areas are where our models are uncertain about what species live there or haven't been visited recently.

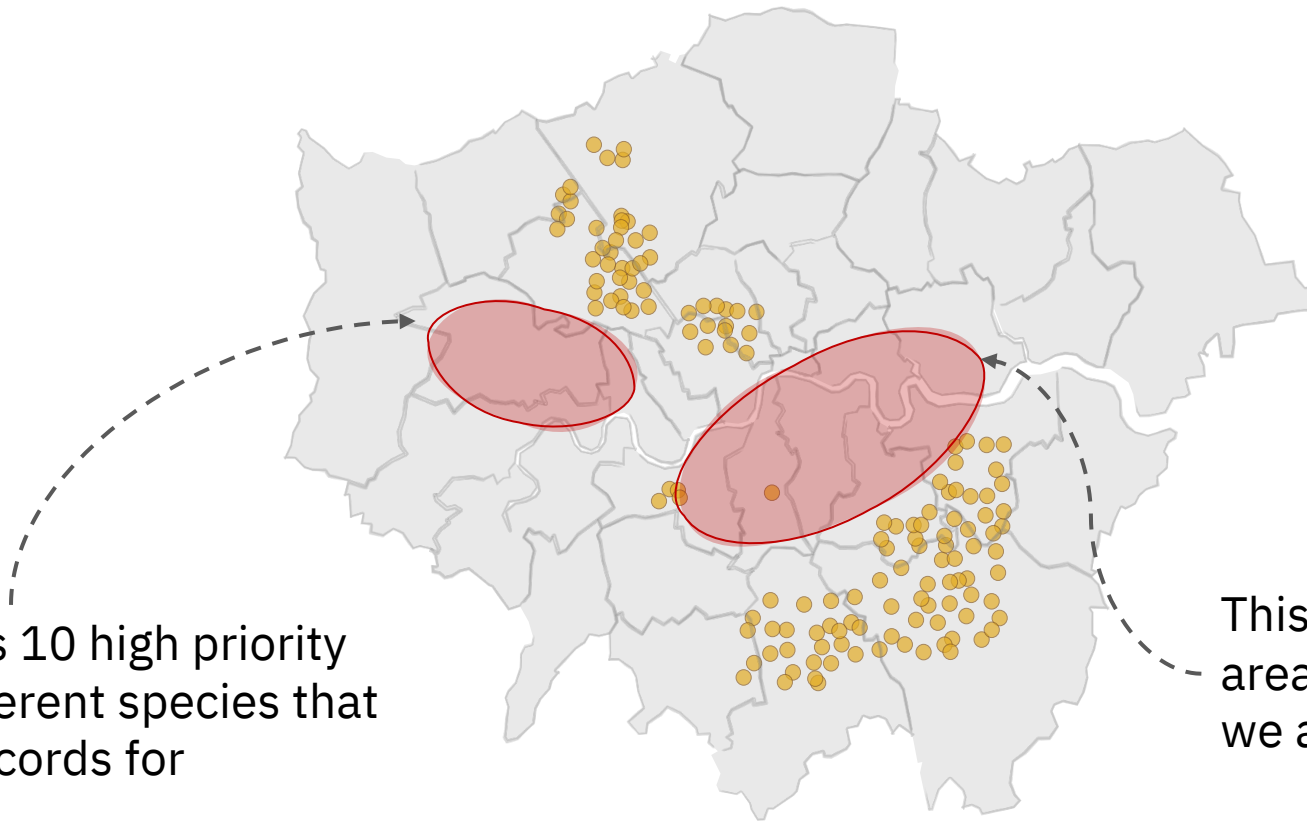
There are 243 more grid squares in the greatest need for records near where you have recorded.

[Find the highest priority areas near you on the DECIDE tool](#)

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Areas of the month!

We've looked at where you record and the recording priority in those places and identified these key areas where we need records to improve our understanding of species' distributions.



This area contains 10 high priority areas with 30 different species that we are missing records for

This area contains 20 high priority areas with 43 different species that we are missing records for

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Going the extra mile



In May you recorded in **3** high value locations. Records at these sites fill gaps in our understanding of species' distributions.



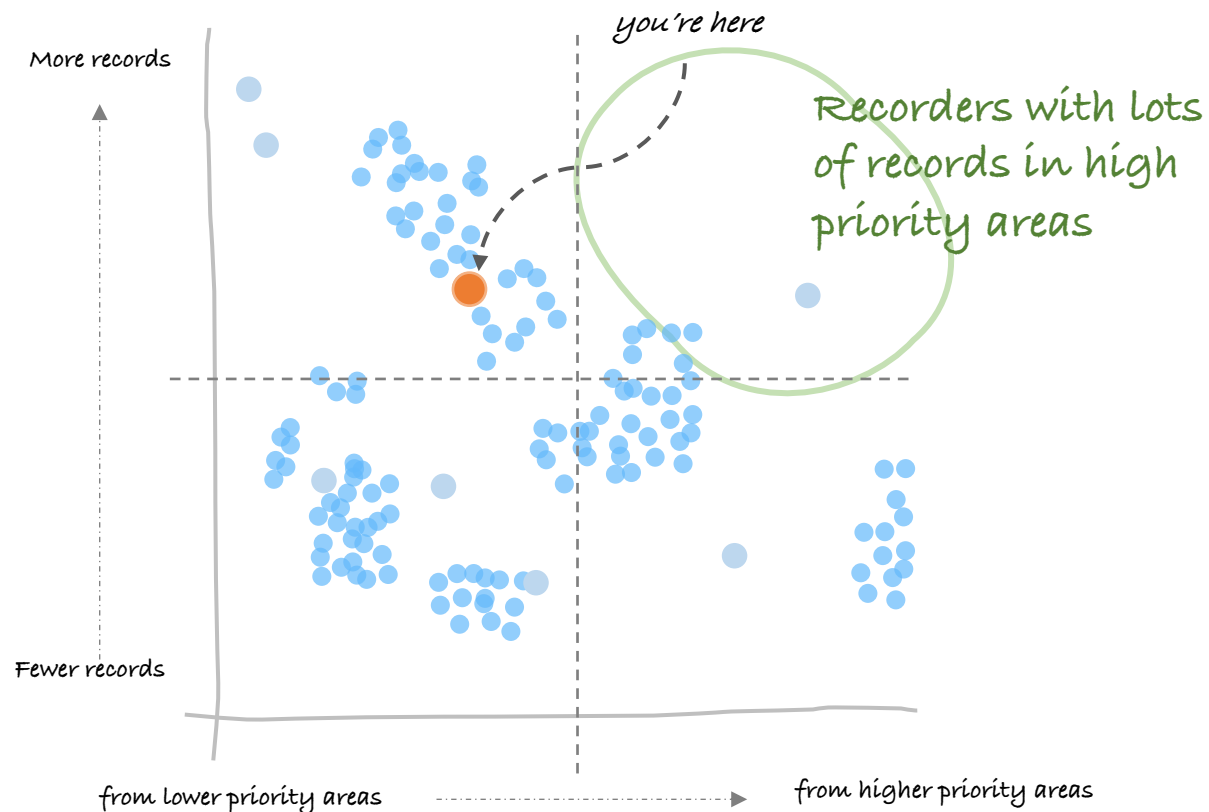
Within 200m of the sites you visited in May, there are another **23** sites that are high value locations that we don't have data for.

[View these locations in the DECIDE tool](#)

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Quantity and quality?

Recording lots of species is really useful, but are you recording in areas that are most in need of records?

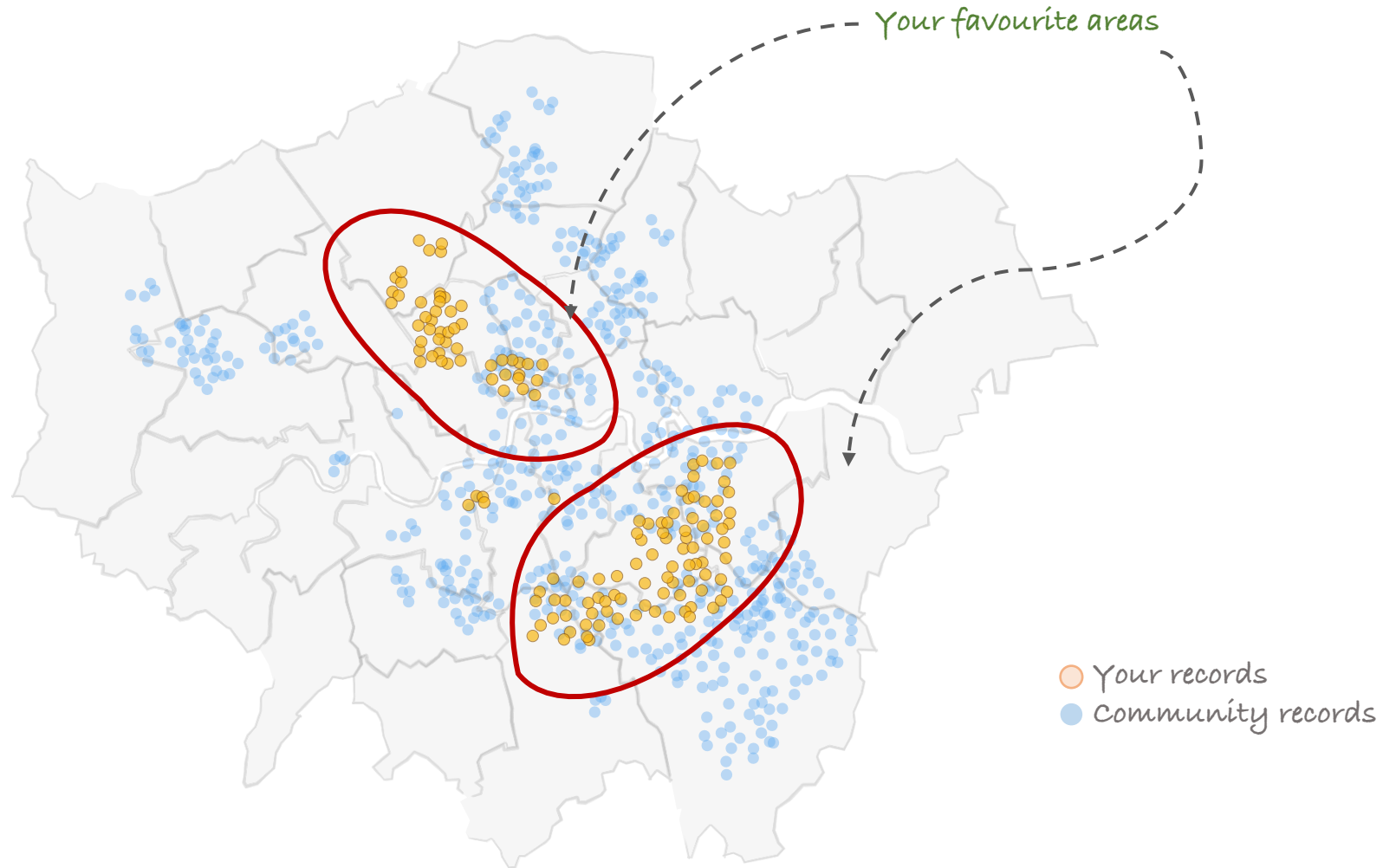


- this is the statistics for your recording history
- each blue dot is the statistics for a DECIDE recorder

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Community recording near you



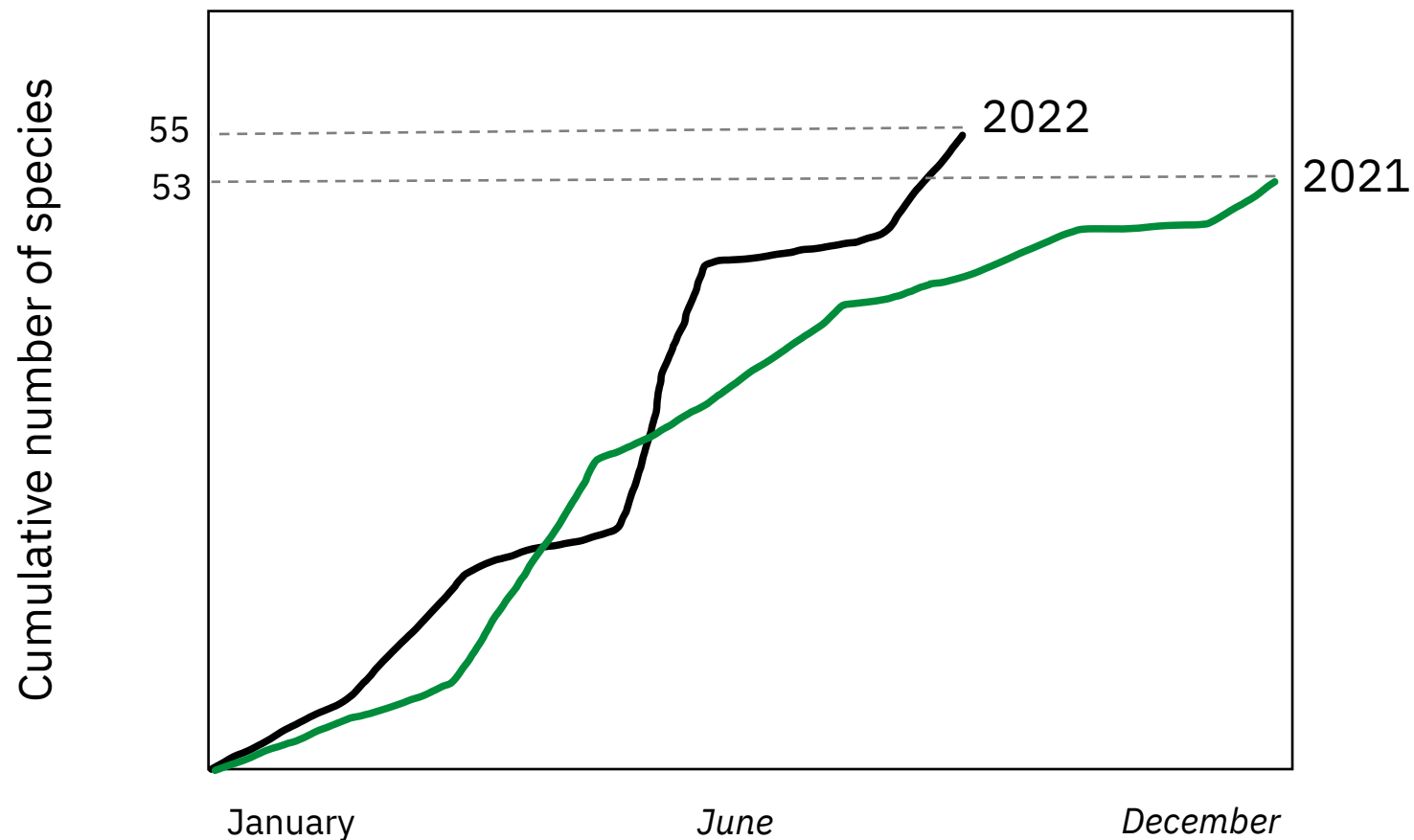
13 other recorders are also helping to understand the biodiversity of your area. Together you've recorded 23 species in May.

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Building up your species list

Last year you recorded **53** species. So far in 2022 you've recorded **55** species!



How many species will you record next month?

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