# Blysmus compressus (L.) Panz. Ex Link

Flat-sedge

Starting references

**Family** 

Cyperaceae

**IUCN** category (2001)

Vulnerable

Habit

Rhizomatous perennial grass.

## Habitat

Open areas in marshes and fens, and in short, sedge-rich, damp grassland, calcareous flushes and stream borders which are subject to flooding. 0-490 m.

# Reasons for decline

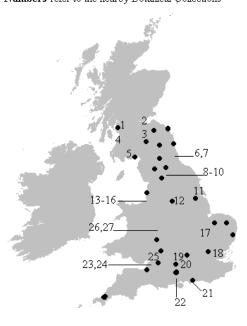
Drainage, loss of unimproved damp grasslands, falling water-tables, eutrophication and the cessation of grazing.

## Distribution in wild

Country	Locality & Vice County	Sites (10km² occurences)	Population (plants)
Scotland	Ayrshire	1	
	Berwickshire	2	
	Selkirkshire & Roxburghshire	6	
	Dumfriesshire	2	
	Kirkcudbrightshire	3	
England	South Northumberland & Cheviot	9	
υ	Co. Durham	2	
	Westmorland & Cumberland	11	
	Yorkshire	29	
	Lancashire	4	
	Lincolnshire	4	
	Derbyshire	1	
	Norfolk	13	
	Berkshire	4	
	Oxfordshire	2	
	Suffolk	2	
	Bedfordshire	1	
	Northamptonshire	2	
	Worcestershire	1	
	Herefordshire	2	
	North Essex	2	
	Cambridgeshire	1	
	Bedfordshire	1	
	Hertfordshire	2	
	Sussex	1	
	Hampshire	7	
	Dorset	2	
	North Somerset	2	
	North Wiltshire	3	
	West Cornwall	1	

Key:

**Dots** refer to the native sites of the species **Numbers** refer to the nearby Botanical Collections



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Wales	Breconshire	1	

#### Ex situ Collections

# Gardens close to the region of distribution of the species

- 1 Glasgow Botanic Gardens
- 2 RBG Edinburgh
- 3 Dawyck Botanic Garden
- 4 Culzean Castle Country Park (NTS)
- 5 Threave Garden
- 6 Moor Bank Garden
- 7 University of Durham Botanic Garden
- 8 RHS Harlow Carr
- 9 Harewood House Trust
- 10 Yorkshire Museum & Gardens
- 11 University of Hull Botanic & Experimental Garden
- 12 Sheffield Botanical Gardens
- 13 City of Liverpool Botanic Gardens
- 14 Ness Botanic Gardens
- 15 Firs Botanical Grounds
- 16 University of Manchester Botanical & Experimental Grounds
- 17 Cambridge University Botanic Garden
- 18 RHS Hyde Hall
- 19 University of Oxford Botanic Garden
- 20 The Harris Garden
- 21 West Dean Gardens
- 22 Sir Harold Hillier Garden
- 23 Bristol Zoo Gardens
- 24 University of Bristol Botanic Garden
- 25 Hidcote Manor Garden (NT)
- 26 University of B'ham Botanic Garden
- 27 B'ham Botanical Gardens & Glasshouses

## Gardens with specialisation on family Cyperaceae

None

#### Potential to grow the species in ex situ Collections

#### Conservation information

#### Linkages to BAPs

Bradford BAP

Bristol Biodiversity Action Project

Cotswold Water Park BAP

LBAP For Argyll And Bute

Mendip BAP

Mid-Somerset Hills Natural Area Bap

North Somerset

Our Natural World - A LBAP For The Brecon Beacons National Park

Sedgemoor District, Somerset

Selby Bap

Swindon

Tees Valley

Wakefield District Biodiversity Plan

#### **Habitat Management**

Protected sites with records for B. compressus are listed on http://www.searchnbn.net

# **Conservation programmes**

Unknown

# **Web References**

• Images:

 $http://www.ukwildflowers.com/Web\_pages/blysmus\_compressus\_flat\_sedge.htm \\ http://www.bioimages.org.uk/HTML/R159319.HTM$ 

• NBN Gateway database: http://www.searchnbn.net