



Skylark territories on an organic farm 2015

Skylarks

Long used as a key indicator of the welfare of farmland birds in the UK, the Skylark has been in decline for many years and is now red-listed. In 2013 a low of 67 territories was recorded at Courtyard, followed by a recovery to 72 territories recorded in 2014 and 76 in 2015. The overall rate of decline over 10 years is just c.6%, compared to a decline in England of 51% for the period 1970-2007, and a decline of 27% in East of England in more recent years (1995-2008).

Courtyard Farm
Ringstead, Norfolk

