

# Constant Effort



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Mist nets (Dawn Balmer)

**Standardised ringing** during the breeding season allows us to directly compare the numbers of birds caught between years. Data from 120 Constant Effort Sites allow us to monitor **trends** in adult abundance, survival and 'whole season' productivity. The latter complements the information on individual breeding attempts from the Nest Record Scheme.

Constant Effort ringing has showed how weather conditions at spring **stopover sites** are critical for migrant warblers, and has charted the recent spread of Cetti's Warblers.



Cetti's Warbler (Iain Livingstone)

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