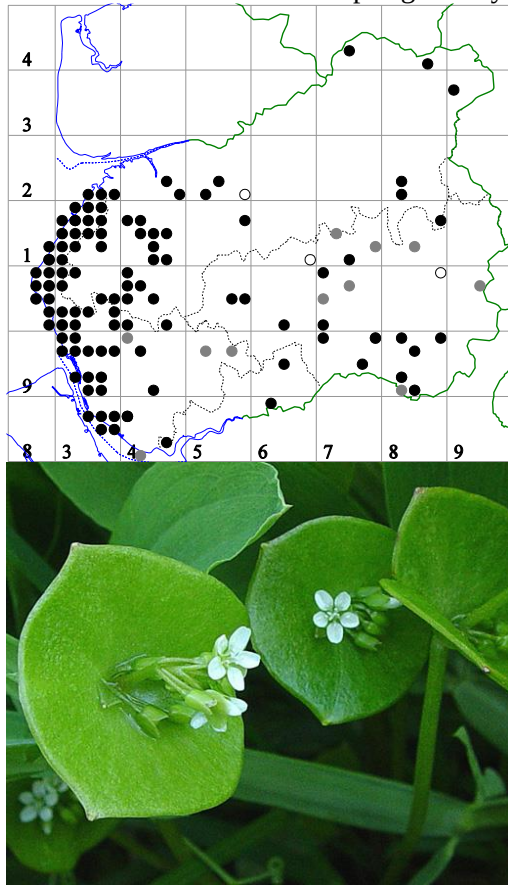


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Claytonia perfoliata Donn ex Willd.

Spring Beauty



Formby J Somerville 2008

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; locally abundant along the coastal fringe and becoming increasingly frequent further inland particularly about South Manchester suburbs.

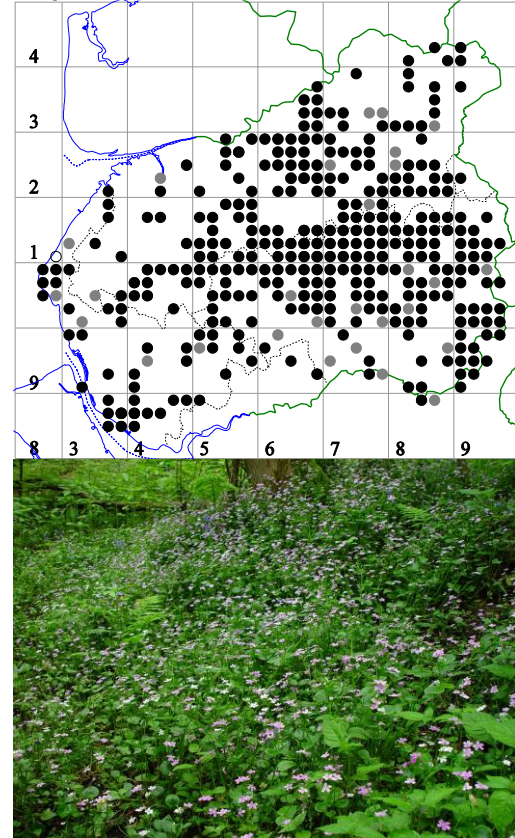
Earliest record traced: Whittle Springs, near Chorley (SD52V, *Flora of Preston* 1865).

Habitat: Sand-dunes, arable fields, plantations, shaded banks, waste ground and gardens on sandy soils.

Comments: Native to America.

Claytonia sibirica L.

Pink Purslane



Sunnyhurst Wood DP Earl 2009

Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; widespread, being well established in many river valleys and cloughs especially in the hill districts.

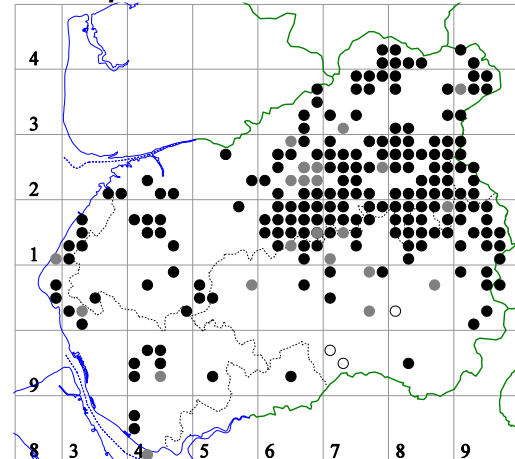
Earliest records traced: South Liverpool (SJ38, 1874, BEL) & Aigburth (SJ38Y, HS Fisher, 1876).

Habitat: Wet woods, shaded hedgebanks, stream and riversides, occasional as a garden weed.

Comments: Native to America.

Montia fontana L.

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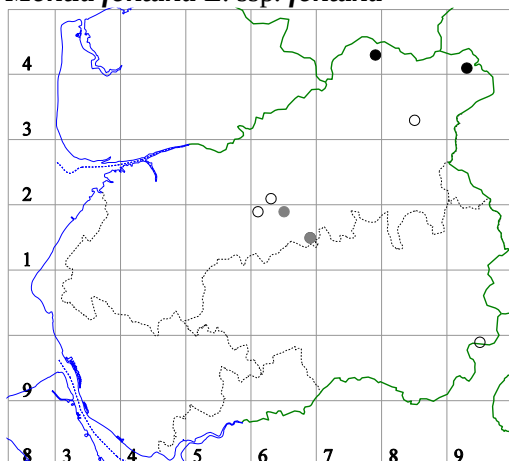
Rivington J Somerville 2007

Status & distribution: Native, Least Concern (Red List for England); common in the uplands, occasional at lower altitudes.

Habitat: Moorland flushes; streamsides, ponds and ditches; amongst grassy verges and as a garden weed on sandy soils, especially near the coast.

Comments: Limited study of the subspecies has been carried out.

Montia fontana L. ssp. *fontana*



Status & distribution: Native, Nationally Uncommon, Least Concern (Red List for England); mainly occurring in the uplands with recent records from Wycoller (SD94F, V Gordon & PS Gateley, 1996); a path towards Hookcliffe Plantation, Pendle Hill (SD8042, S Wynne, 2011, det. MP Wilcox).

Habitat: Moorland flushes and streamsides.

Montia fontana L. ssp. *variabilis* Walters

Status & distribution: Native, Nationally Uncommon, Waiting List (Red List for England); White Coppice Valley (SD6219 & SD6220, JM Smith, 1985, BON); path towards Hookcliffe Plantation, Pendle

Hill (SD8042, S Wynne, 2011, det. MP Wilcox).

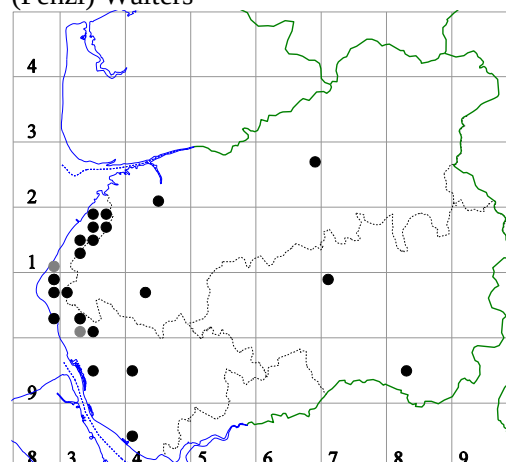
Habitat: Flushes and streamsides in the uplands.

Montia fontana L. ssp. *amporitana*

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Status & distribution: Native, Nationally Scarce, Waiting List (Red List for England); with records from near Rivington (SD61H, WG Travis, n.d.); Croxteth Park (SJ49C, n.d.) and South Liverpool (SJ38, 1940) JD Massey.

Montia fontana L. ssp. *chondrosperma* (Fenzl) Walters



Southport DP Earl 2008

Status & distribution: Native, Nationally Scarce, Least Concern (Red List for England); the main cluster of records occur within Merseyside and West Lancashire, scattered elsewhere but probably overlooked.

Habitat: On bare sand, in lawns, beneath trees and in flowerbeds.