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Table 1. Ranges and categories of water-table (cm) and fertility in British fens. Data are derived from Shaw & Wheeler (1991). Fertility was estimated phytometrically using *Epilobium hirsutum* and *Phalaris arundinacea* seedlings as test species and values refer to mean shoot dry weight (mg).

	v. low	low	moderate	high	very high
Water depth (cm)	< -25	-25 -10	-9 - +1	+1 - +9	> +10
Fertility (mg)	< 3	3 - 9	10 - 20	21 - 35	> 35

Table 2 Values of water table of valley fens in Eastern England compared with values in valley fens examined elsewhere in Britain and with all fen hydrotopographical types examined elsewhere in Britain. Data are derived from Wheeler & Shaw (1987) and Shaw & Wheeler (1990)

	Mean	SE	Min	Max
Eastern England valley fens	-7.4	0.26	-59	31
All valley fens except, Eastern England	-1.9	0.1	-100	29
All fens, except Eastern England	-1.5	0.1	-100	29

Table 3. Mean values (\pm SE) of water table and fertility associated with stands of rich-fen vegetation in Eastern England sites and other lowland British sites

Cty	Water table		Fertility	
	East Eng	Elsewhere	East Eng	Elsewhere
M9	-1.1 ± 0.9	1.7 ± 1.2	10.3 ± 0.4	9.3 ± 1.3
M13	-11.0 ± 1.0	-4.6 ± 1.6	8.2 ± 1.1	6.1 ± 0.4
M22	-8.2 ± 1.7	-5.3 ± 1.5	16.1 ± 1.3	10.8 ± 1.0
M24	-21.6 ± 7.2	-17.6 ± 4.3	14.1 ± 2.7	7.2 ± 1.5

Cty: M9: *Carex rostrata* - *Calliergon cuspidatum* mire
M13: *Schoenus nigricans* - *Juncus subnodulosus* mire
M22: *J. subnodulosus* - *Cirsium palustre* fen meadow
M24: *Molinia caerulea* - *Cirsium dissectum* fen meadow

Table 4 Summer water levels associated with plant species recorded from valley fen systems in lowland Britain.

Ebg: Ellenberg 'moisture value'

Ind: ~ species associated with fluctuating water conditions (Ellenberg)

= species found in sites that are periodically inundated (Ellenberg)

Water table values are expressed as cm relative to the soil surface

%> -5; %>-10: % occurrences found in sites with summer water table less than 5 and 10 cm below the surface

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab mn	SE	Max	Min	%> -5	%> -10	N
5	Achi ptar	8	-	-2.57	1.35	3.6	-13	66.7	91.7	15
20	Agro cani	9		-1.7	1.16	10	-24.6	81.3	84.4	39
22	Agro stol	6	~	-2.81	0.78	15.2	-38	70.8	85.8	129
53	Alnu glut	9	=	-1.16	2.05	13.4	-18.4	66.7	86.7	16
63	Anag tene			-2.47	0.68	13.4	-36.5	76	91.7	109
67	Ange sylv	8		-8.31	1.27	15.2	-100	52.5	71.3	136
71	Anth odor	X		-5.85	1.38	10.8	-48.4	66.7	76.5	57
97	Arrh elat	5		-14.75	2.86	-3.2	-28	12.5	50	12
136	Betu pube	X		-5.9	2.94	3.8	-31.6	57.1	78.6	14
151	Briz medi	X		-6.95	1.16	7.6	-48.4	57.4	76.5	78
169	Cala cane	9	-	-18.9	13.39	-3.2	-59	25	75	4
178	Call vulg	X		-0.46	0.61	10	-16.8	84.8	93.9	72
179	Calt palu	8	=	-4.47	1.22	15.2	-50	68	77.3	80
192	Card flex	8		-9.97	4.01	-2.2	-20	50	50	4
195	Card prat	7		-0.95	1.01	15.2	-22.75	74.6	87.3	67
202	Care acut	9	~	-6	1.85	7	-25	52.4	76.2	21
211	Care curt	9		-1.16	2.36	10.8	-59	80.8	96.2	29
212	Care demi	8		-0.36	0.46	8	-15	90.3	94.4	81
213	Care dian	9	=	4.34	1.94	15.2	-12.2	84.6	92.3	15
215	Care dioi	9		-0.86	0.61	10.8	-14.75	83.3	92.6	58
217	Care dist	9	=	-11.39	3.41	8	-38.6	35.7	57.1	15
219	Care echi	8	~	-1.29	0.56	10.8	-31.6	82	87.8	154
220	Care elat	10	-	-9.57	3.96	8	-30	37.5	62.5	8
223	Care flac	6	-	-6.66	1.12	6	-48.4	61.6	78.1	85
225	Care host	9		-5.91	1.05	1	-48.4	66.2	80.5	84
228	Care lasi	9	=	1.54	1.47	8.8	-22	94.4	94.4	19
229	Care lepi	8		-2.27	0.72	14.6	-34.5	75	90	83
230	Care limo	9	=	3.86	0.79	10	-2.5	100	100	20
233	Care nigr	8	~	-2.23	0.98	15.2	-59	79.1	85.5	116
239	Care pani	7	~	-3.89	0.59	14.6	-59	70.7	82.5	273
240	Care pani	9	=	-3.63	1.43	7	-22	63.6	90.9	24
247	Care puli	9		-5.51	1.23	8	-48.4	68.8	79.7	72
252	Care rost	10		0.04	0.87	16	-59	85.2	90.4	124
271	Cent nigr	5		-10.7	2.13	6	-38.6	48.1	66.7	33
284	Cera font	5		-9.16	3.17	1.2	-48.4	56.3	68.8	17
315	Cirs arve	X		-32.2	14.88	-1	-100	20	40	7
318	Cirs palu	8	~	-7.52	1	8	-100	57	73.2	170
320	Clad mari	9		-14.6	3.49	11	-50	34.6	57.7	28

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab mm	SE	Max	Min	%> -5	%> -10	N
366	Dact fuch	X		-8.94	1.34	1.8	-50	42.1	66.7	64
367	Dact inca	8	~	-3.03	1.3	8.4	-34.5	67.4	83.7	45
368	Dact macu	X		-2.63	1.53	7.8	-34.5	70	83.3	33
370	Dact maja	8	~	-1.88	0.64	1.4	-5.6	86.7	100	16
371	Dact trau	9	=	-1.03	1.86	8.4	-5.8	71.4	100	7
377	Desc cesp	7	~	-9	3.21	4.2	-26	60	60	12
392	Dros anql	9	=	1.93	0.9	9	-5.4	94.1	100	21
393	Dros inte	9	=	0.83	0.86	8.8	-15	90	96.7	32
394	Dros rotu	9		-0.29	0.45	15	-24.6	85.5	91.9	184
408	Eleo mult			0.84	0.56	13.4	-15	86.8	96.1	82
410	Eleo quin	9		-1.51	0.37	2.2	-13.8	87.1	96.8	67
421	Epil hirs	8	=	-13.14	4.86	7	-100	42.9	57.1	22
425	Epil palu	9		-1.91	1.02	15.2	-50	76	86.7	86
426	Epil parv	9	=	-6.2	3.32	6	-21.8	50	75	8
431	Epip palu	8	~	-8.1	1.26	7.6	-38.6	43.9	70.2	63
432	Equi arve	6	~	-5.51	1.12	6	-18.8	50	85	24
433	Equi fluv	10		-2.27	1.25	16	-50	75.3	83.1	88
435	Equi palu	X		-3.67	0.73	13.4	-34.5	71	86	114
442	Eric tetr	8		-0.59	0.53	24.6	-34.5	84.4	90.4	183
446	Erio angu	9	=	-0.24	0.41	16	-59	86.3	92.8	285
447	Erio lati	9		-3.52	0.71	6	-18.8	68.9	88.9	49
458	Eupa cann	7		-8.98	1.6	11	-100	53.5	72.1	97
474	Fest ovin	3		-6.16	1.66	0	-19	45.5	72.7	14
476	Fest rubr	X		-8.77	1.49	5.2	-38.6	47.7	68.2	48
483	Fili ulma	8		-8.54	1.68	11	-100	50.7	70.7	82
505	Gali apar	X		-19.86	12.07	11	-100	37.5	50	8
509	Gali palu	9	=	-2.18	1.27	15.2	-50	76.2	82.5	77
512	Gali ulig	8	~	-8.71	1.25	6	-48.4	49.3	71.2	81
549	Gymn cono	7	~	-8.26	1.49	8.4	-38.6	47.7	70.5	49
551	Hamm palu			0.12	2.89	7.4	-10.4	80	80	5
580	Holc lana	6		-5.71	0.95	10.8	-48.4	61.6	75.8	116
590	Hydr vulg	9	~	-4.17	0.87	16	-50	68.2	81.3	122
596	Hype elod	9	=	2.31	0.77	16	-8.2	97.1	100	37
603	Hype tetr	8	=	-7.61	1.88	5	-25	50	66.7	20
615	Iris pseu	10		-1.38	5.54	15.2	-38	87.5	87.5	8
619	Junc acut	8		-1.78	0.64	16	-50	81.5	87.9	195
622	Junc arti	8	~	-2.5	0.69	14.6	-32.4	77.6	88.2	96
626	Junc bulb			0.03	0.62	13.4	-22.6	87.5	92.5	86
629	Junc cong	7	~	-3.01	3.48	15.2	-48.4	64.3	85.7	18
630	Junc effu	7	~	-3.13	1.64	15.2	-59	76.9	86.5	60
633	Junc infl	7	~	-8.45	1.68	-2	-21.8	45.5	63.6	13
658	Lath prat	8		-7.67	1.4	0.4	-26	42.9	81	23
665	Lemn mino	11		0.45	4.41	11	-9.4	75	100	4
668	Leon autu	5		-3.85	5.54	10.8	-18.8	50	75	5
669	Leon hisp	4		-9.42	5.36	1	-38.6	57.1	57.1	7
670	Leon tara			-8.37	3.2	0	-36.5	45.5	81.8	11
686	Linu cath	X		-3.56	1.08	2	-18.8	66.7	90.5	21
688	List ovat	6	~	-17.25	3.85	-3.6	-38.6	12.5	25	10
702	Lotu ulig	8	~	-7.9	1.37	15.2	-59	54.4	69.1	82
709	Luzu mult	6	~	-8.53	1.91	10.8	-48.4	52.6	63.2	42
713	Lych flos	6	~	-5.62	1.46	15.2	-48.4	55.1	71.4	56
731	Lyth sali	8	=	-10.06	3.83	4	-48.4	45.5	72.7	15

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755	Ment aqua	9	=	-4.84	0.9	15.2	-50	67.3	81.3	121
762	Meny trif	9	=	-0.17	0.7	16	-59	84.3	90.2	164
776	Moli caer	7	~	-2.49	0.47	24.6	-48.4	76.1	86.7	365
786	Myos laxa	8	~	-3.57	2.89	9.2	-50	80	80	20
793	Myri gale	9		-0.96	1.05	24.6	-48.4	78.8	88.8	89
801	Nart ossi	9		0.26	0.46	15	-24.6	86.9	92.8	163
811	Oena lach			-7.39	2.59	8.4	-30	56.3	62.5	17
844	Parn palu	8	~	-4.32	0.99	8.4	-38.6	66.7	85.2	56
846	Pedi palu	9	=	-0.76	0.53	13.4	-18.4	84.5	91.3	110
847	Pedi sylv	8	~	-1.34	1.05	2.2	-9.2	76.9	100	13
855	Phal arun	8	=	1.55	1.97	5.4	-3	100	100	4
861	Phra aust	10	~	-6.48	1.6	24.6	-100	63.7	77.5	106
870	Ping vulg	8		-2.83	0.67	8.4	-34.5	78.4	89.8	95
873	Plan lanc	X		-20.29	4.29	0	-48.4	11.1	11.1	12
877	Plat bifo	5	~	2.52	2.05	8.4	-1	100	100	4
890	Poa triv	7		-7.85	3.3	3.6	-19.4	50	62.5	8
894	Poly serp	6		-1.55	1.05	5.6	-10.4	73.7	94.7	21
895	Poly vulg	5		-7.36	2.48	1.4	-19	40	70	11
925	Pota colo	12		3.75	1.31	6	1	100	100	4
937	Pota poly	12		1.81	0.39	14	-13.8	95.2	98.1	115
946	Pote errec	X		-5.38	0.77	15	-50	64.8	77.8	197
949	Pote palu	10		-1.44	1.5	16	-59	79.4	91.2	75
959	Prun vulg	X		-8.12	2.06	1.8	-48.4	64.5	77.4	37
969	Puli dyse	7	~	-11.25	3.41	-0.4	-25	20	40	7
981	Ranu acri	X		-9.57	1.75	1.2	-48.4	48.7	64.1	45
989	Ranu flam	9	~	0.68	0.56	16	-22	89.9	92.9	114
995	Ranu repe	7	~	-5.9	4.09	4.8	-19.4	75	75	6
1006	Rhin mino	X		-11.21	3.18	2.2	-36.5	36.4	54.5	13
1009	Rhyn alba	9	=	0.94	0.61	13.4	-22.6	90.5	98.4	68
1039	Rume acet	X		-10.87	2.15	10.8	-50	39.4	57.6	38
1056	Sagi nodo	8	~	-2.4	1.92	1	-12.2	83.3	83.3	7
1069	Sali cine	9	~	-8.41	3.62	6.6	-100	65.5	79.3	34
1079	Sali repe	X		-6.58	3.3	4.6	-38.6	58.3	66.7	15
1107	Scho niqr	9	=	-2.49	0.82	9	-38.6	78	88	112
1110	Scir cesp	9		-1.75	1.35	3.4	-16.8	81.3	87.5	19
1119	Scro auri			-13.48	7.1	0.4	-100	46.2	69.2	14
1123	Scut gale	9	=	-2.7	2.36	5.33	-18	77.8	88.9	9
1144	Serr tinc	X		-7.11	2.36	8.4	-34.5	68.2	77.3	25
1149	Dant decu	X		-5.64	1.92	3.6	-22.75	64.7	70.6	19
1168	Sola dulc	8	~	-22.85	17.77	4	-100	60	60	6
1195	Stel alsi	8		-0.55	1.61	4.4	-3.4	100	100	5
1205	Succ prat	7	~	-4.69	0.64	10.8	-50	68.6	80.9	219
1228	Thel palu	8		-8.27	3.09	0	-21.2	33.3	66.7	6
1249	Trif prat	X		-10.9	3.51	-3.2	-38.6	33.3	55.6	10
1250	Trif repe	X		-5.54	1.69	0	-13.4	50	75	9
1254	Trig palu	9	=	-2.43	0.62	15.2	-20.75	78.6	88.6	74
1260	Tuss farf	6	~	-3.11	1.34	6	-13.4	72.7	90.9	13
1268	Urti dioi	6		-13.75	8.78	11	-100	63.6	63.6	12
1270	Utri inte	10		1.99	1.11	14	-3.67	100	100	16
1271	Utri mino	10		2.79	1	13.4	-0.8	100	100	15
1276	Vacc oxyc	9		-1.87	1.29	8	-24.6	76.5	82.4	36
1280	Vale dioi	8	~	-8.56	1.2	6	-59	47.6	70.2	91

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1281	Vale offi	8	~	-5.51	1.64	5.8	-30	58.3	79.2	25
1294	Vero becc	10		-3.13	1.01	-1	-5	100	100	4
1311	Vici crac	5		-12.65	3.26	8	-100	30	66.7	34
1327	Viol palu	9		-1.53	0.99	10.8	-50	81.6	88.2	85
1344	Call cord			0.81	2.46	13.4	-13.4	81.8	81.8	12
1345	Call cusp			-4.15	0.7	15.2	-50	65.8	84.5	176
1346	Call giga			3.26	3.53	15.2	-12.2	71.4	85.7	7
1348	Call stra			1.45	1.13	10.8	-7.4	93.3	100	16
1382	Aula palu			-2.24	1.01	13.4	-23.25	70.4	81.5	64
1419	Brac ruta			-12.11	4.59	4.2	-100	57.1	71.4	25
1446	Bryu pseu			-1.84	0.73	15.2	-38.6	83.8	95.6	75
1471	Camp stel			-3.45	0.63	9.2	-36.5	72.8	85.3	149
1493	Clim dend			-3.16	1.87	3.6	-13.4	66.7	88.9	9
1496	Crat comm			-2.22	0.89	6	-16.2	85	95	22
1498	Crat fili			-7.84	3.89	7.6	-31.6	55.6	66.7	10
1500	Cten moll			-3.74	0.76	8.4	-34.5	67.7	89.2	71
1556	Drep flui			2.82	1.22	9	-1.2	100	100	9
1558	Drep revo			-1.86	0.43	8.4	-16.2	79.4	93.8	105
1577	Eurh prae			-12.97	4.13	8.4	-100	40	64	27
1583	Fiss adia			-4.32	0.86	8.4	-34.5	63.2	84.2	61
1666	Hypn cupr			-4.85	2.73	24.6	-36.5	61.1	72.2	22
1686	Leuc glau			-2.03	2.59	6.4	-10	66.7	100	6
1691	Plag affi			-3.78	1.99	5.2	-16.4	66.7	88.9	9
1695	Plag rost			-1.79	1.12	6	-12.4	73.7	94.7	20
1700	Rhiz pseu			-1.16	3.2	9.2	-7.8	60	100	5
1701	Rhiz punc			-0.49	1.98	10.8	-20.75	92.9	92.9	14
1704	Plag elat			-4	5.7	8.4	-18.8	50	75	4
1707	Plag undu			-19.62	9.77	0	-100	22.2	55.6	10
1745	Phil calc			-1.05	0.69	5.2	-6.4	89.5	100	21
1747	Phil font			0.43	0.27	1.8	-0.6	100	100	8
1791	Poly comm			-5.55	2.82	3.4	-50	66.7	83.3	19
1814	Pseu puru			-10.69	1.5	10.8	-32.4	24.2	57.6	36
1847	Scor scor			-0.14	0.53	8	-15	90.6	96.2	56
1860	Spha capi			0.5	0.99	8	-22.6	87.9	93.9	36
1862	Spha cont			-0.85	1.57	3.75	-13.8	81.8	90.9	11
1863	Spha cusp			2.34	0.99	11.2	-9.4	89.5	100	20
1864	Spha fimb			-14.18	8.36	-0.2	-50	66.7	66.7	6
1869	Spha mage			2.75	0.86	7.4	-5	100	100	15
1871	Spha palu			-3.04	1.02	15	-50	71.6	78.4	93
1872	Spha papi			-0.42	0.66	11.2	-22.75	83.7	90.7	91
1873	Spha subn			-1.6	0.61	13.4	-34.5	81.3	88.3	141
1876	Spha recu			0.39	0.8	24.6	-50	87.5	92.3	115
1880	Spha squa			-4.25	2.82	10.8	-16	50	75	10
1884	Spha tene			1.67	1.76	10	-1.8	100	100	6
1885	Spha tere			0.88	0.94	3	-2.4	100	100	6
1980	Caly muel			-0.05	1.35	8	-7.75	88.9	100	9
1986	Ceph bicu			4.8	1.19	7.8	2.2	100	100	4
2004	Chil poly			-8.23	3.99	5	-19	50	50	6
2067	Loph bide			-8.86	3.28	8.4	-100	53.3	76.7	31
2083	Marc poly			0.24	2.89	10.8	-20	88.9	88.9	10
2118	Odon spha			-0.89	1.81	6.8	-16.8	81.8	90.9	14
2122	Pell endi			-3.17	0.61	0.4	-9.4	81.3	100	18

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab mn	SE	Max	Min	%> -5	%> -10	N
2123	Pell epip			-0.57	0.96	8	-16	90	95	24
2154	Ricc mult			-2.14	0.81	8.4	-15	74.3	88.6	38
2156	Aneu ping			-1.69	0.64	13.4	-32.4	78	90.1	97
2157	Ricc cham			-0.02	1.07	13.4	-5.8	87.5	100	17
2627	Spha auri			1.99	0.42	16	-12.6	96	99	108
2641	Cirs diss			-4.94	1.79	13.4	-36.5	63.9	75	44
2659	Junc subn	8		-8.04	1.25	11	-100	49.6	73.5	121
2687	Rubu frut	5		-21.15	7.06	-2.2	-44	25	50	8
2703	Euph nemo	5		-5.28	1.37	0.2	-36.5	62.1	79.3	32
2705	Euph scot			0.2	0.47	1.6	-1.8	100	100	6
2766	Erio grac	9	=	7.25	2.75	13.4	0	100	100	4
3125	Peuc palu	9	=	-10.41	3.52	-3.2	-23.25	20	60	5

Table 5 Summer water levels conditions associated with fen plant species recorded from valley fen systems in East Anglia. For selection criteria for species included in the table, see text.

Water level and fertility data are derived from all lowland valley fen sites, except those of Eastern England

Water table values are expressed as cm relative to the soil surface

Ebg: Ellenberg 'moisture value'

Ind: ~ species associated with fluctuating water conditions (Ellenberg)

= species found in sites that are periodically inundated (Ellenberg)

%> -5; %>-10: % occurrences found in sites with summer water table less than 5 and 10 cm below the surface

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab	SE	Max	Min	%> -5	%> -10	Fert	N
20	Agro cani	9		-1.7	1.16	10	-24.6	81.3	84.4	10.15	39
63	Anag tene			-2.47	0.68	13.4	-36.5	76	91.7	6.7	109
132	Beru errec	10	~	2.2	2.4	7	-0.4	100	100	16.54	3
179	Calt palu	8	=	-4.47	1.22	15.2	-50	68	77.3	14.59	80
195	Card prat	7		-0.95	1.01	15.2	-22.75	74.6	87.3	15.8	67
202	Care acut	9	-	-6	1.85	7	-25	52.4	76.2	17.9	21
211	Care curt	9		-1.16	2.36	10.8	-59	80.8	96.2	14.23	29
212	Care demi	8		-0.36	0.46	8	-15	90.3	94.4	6.88	81
213	Care dian	9	=	4.34	1.94	15.2	-12.2	84.6	92.3	13.74	15
215	Care dioi	9		-0.86	0.61	10.8	-14.75	83.3	92.6	7.41	58
219	Care echi	8	~	-1.29	0.56	10.8	-31.6	82	87.8	8.45	154
223	Care flac	6	~	-6.66	1.12	6	-48.4	61.6	78.1	7.52	85
225	Care host	9		-5.91	1.05	1	-48.4	66.2	80.5	6.8	84
228	Care lasi	9	=	1.54	1.47	8.8	-22	94.4	94.4	7.16	19
229	Care lepi	8		-2.27	0.72	14.6	-34.5	75	90	7.52	83
230	Care limo	9	=	3.86	0.79	10	-2.5	100	100	6.39	20
233	Care nigr	8	~	-2.23	0.98	15.2	-59	79.1	85.5	10.73	116
237	Care oval			-0.4		-0.4	-0.4	100	100	8.44	2
240	Care pani	9	=	-3.63	1.43	7	-22	63.6	90.9	14.02	24
247	Care puli	9		-5.51	1.23	8	-48.4	68.8	79.7	7.25	72
252	Care rost	10		0.04	0.87	16	-59	85.2	90.4	10.16	124
367	Dact inca	8	~	-3.03	1.3	8.4	-34.5	67.4	83.7	8.62	45
368	Dact macu	X		-2.63	1.53	7.8	-34.5	70	83.3	6.91	33
370	Dact maja	8	~	-1.88	0.64	1.4	-5.6	86.7	100	7.43	16
371	Dact trau	9	=	-1.03	1.86	8.4	-5.8	71.4	100	6.69	7
392	Dros angl	9	=	1.93	0.9	9	-5.4	94.1	100	6	21
393	Dros inte	9	=	0.83	0.86	8.8	-15	90	96.7	5.72	32
394	Dros rotu	9		-0.29	0.45	15	-24.6	85.5	91.9	6.31	184
408	Eleo mult			0.84	0.56	13.4	-15	86.8	96.1	5.8	82
409	Eleo palu	10	=	4.4		4.4	4.4	100	100		1
410	Eleo quin	9		-1.51	0.37	2.2	-13.8	87.1	96.8	6.32	67

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab	SE	Max	Min	%> -5	%> -10	Fert	N
425	Epil palu	9		-1.91	1.02	15.2	-50	76	86.7	13.63	86
433	Equi fluv	10		-2.27	1.25	16	-50	75.3	83.1	12.27	88
435	Equi palu	X		-3.67	0.73	13.4	-34.5	71	86	11.21	114
446	Erio angu	9	=	-0.24	0.41	16	-59	86.3	92.8	7.99	285
447	Erio lati	9		-3.52	0.71	6	-18.8	68.9	88.9	6.04	49
509	Gali palu	9	=	-2.18	1.27	15.2	-50	76.2	82.5	15.42	77
533	Geum riva	8	=	-5.7	3.3	-2.4	-9	50	100	18.71	2
551	Hamm palu			0.12	2.89	7.4	-10.4	80	80	4.57	5
590	Hydr vulg	9	~	-4.17	0.87	16	-50	68.2	81.3	10.15	122
596	Hype elod	9	=	2.31	0.77	16	-8.2	97.1	100	6.88	37
615	Iris pseu	10		-1.38	5.54	15.2	-38	87.5	87.5	18.12	8
619	Junc acut	8		-1.78	0.64	16	-50	81.5	87.9	9.15	195
622	Junc arti	8	~	-2.5	0.69	14.6	-32.4	77.6	88.2	9.54	96
626	Junc bulb			0.03	0.62	13.4	-22.6	87.5	92.5	7	86
629	Junc cong	7	~	-3.01	3.48	15.2	-48.4	64.3	85.7	13.03	18
630	Junc effu	7	~	-3.13	1.64	15.2	-59	76.9	86.5	12.44	60
665	Lemn mino	11		0.45	4.41	11	-9.4	75	100	20.06	4
723	Lycu euro	9	=	-3.9	0.5	-3.4	-4.4	100	100	8.11	2
726	Lysi numm			0		0	0	100	100	24.52	1
755	Ment aqua	9	=	-4.84	0.9	15.2	-50	67.3	81.3	11.62	121
762	Meny trif	9	=	-0.17	0.7	16	-59	84.3	90.2	9.54	164
786	Myos laxa	8	~	-3.57	2.89	9.2	-50	80	80	14.93	20
789	Myos scor	8	~	-6.2		-6.2	-6.2	0	100	21.99	1
801	Nart ossi	9		0.26	0.46	15	-24.6	86.9	92.8	6.43	163
810	Oena fist	9	=	-2.4		-2.4	-2.4	100	100	13.16	1
844	Parn palu	8	~	-4.32	0.99	8.4	-38.6	66.7	85.2	7.61	56
846	Pedi palu	9	=	-0.76	0.53	13.4	-18.4	84.5	91.3	8.4	110
847	Pedi sylv	8	~	-1.34	1.05	2.2	-9.2	76.9	100	5.81	13
855	Phal arun	8	=	1.55	1.97	5.4	-3	100	100	16.33	4
861	Phra aust	10	~	-6.48	1.6	24.6	-100	63.7	77.5	9.71	106
870	Ping vulg	8		-2.83	0.67	8.4	-34.5	78.4	89.8	6.21	95
877	Plat bifo	5	~	2.52	2.05	8.4	-1	100	100	6.71	4
894	Poly serp	6		-1.55	1.05	5.6	-10.4	73.7	94.7	5.39	21
898	Poly amph	11		-9.2		-9.2	-9.2	0	100		1
925	Pota colo	12		3.75	1.31	6	1	100	100	5.19	4
937	Pota poly	12		1.81	0.39	14	-13.8	95.2	98.1	6.73	115
949	Pote palu	10		-1.44	1.5	16	-59	79.4	91.2	12.51	75
989	Ranu flam	9	~	0.68	0.56	16	-22	89.9	92.9	10.04	114
993	Ranu ling	10		-4.4		-4.4	-4.4	100	100	11.37	1
1009	Rhyn alba	9	=	0.94	0.61	13.4	-22.6	90.5	98.4	5.64	68
1042	Rume cong			0.4		0.4	0.4	100	100	20.34	1
1044	Rume hydr	10		3.6		3.6	3.6	100	100	15.11	1
1056	Saqi nodo	8	~	-2.4	1.92	1	-12.2	83.3	83.3	11.82	7
1107	Scho nigr	9	=	-2.49	0.82	9	-38.6	78	88	6.66	112
1110	Scir cesp	9		-1.75	1.35	3.4	-16.8	81.3	87.5	6.32	19
1123	Scut gale	9	=	-2.7	2.36	5.33	-18	77.8	88.9	10.7	9
1144	Serr tinc	X		-7.11	2.36	8.4	-34.5	68.2	77.3	5.96	25
1180	Spar erc	10		-3.7	3.7	0	-7.4	50	100	15.5	2
1195	Stel alsi	8		-0.55	1.61	4.4	-3.4	100	100	17.7	5
1205	Succ prat	7	~	-4.69	0.64	10.8	-50	68.6	80.9	7.85	219

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab	SE	Max	Min	%> -5	%> -10	Fert	N
1254	Trig palu	9	□	-2.43	0.62	15.2	-20.75	78.6	88.6	7.85	74
1262	Typh lati	10		-3.9	0.41	-3.4	-4.4	100	100	8.11	3
1270	Utri inte	10		1.99	1.11	14	-3.67	100	100	6.47	16
1271	Utri mino	10		2.79	1	13.4	-0.8	100	100	6	15
1272	Utri aust			6		6	6	100	100	5.73	1
1273	Utri vulg	12		11.3	3.3	14.6	8	100	100	19.69	2
1276	Vacc oxyc	9		-1.87	1.29	8	-24.6	76.5	82.4	8.09	36
1294	Vero becc	10		-3.13	1.01	-1	-5	100	100	15.15	4
1327	Viol palu	9		-1.53	0.99	10.8	-50	81.6	88.2	11.77	85
1344	Call cord			0.81	2.46	13.4	-13.4	81.8	81.8	13.57	12
1345	Call cusp			-4.15	0.7	15.2	-50	65.8	84.5	10.4	176
1346	Call giga			3.26	3.53	15.2	-12.2	71.4	85.7	15.84	7
1348	Call stra			1.45	1.13	10.8	-7.4	93.3	100	14.03	16
1382	Aula palu			-2.24	1.01	13.4	-23.25	70.4	81.5	9.64	64
1446	Bryu pseu			-1.84	0.73	15.2	-38.6	83.8	95.6	7.66	75
1463	Homa nite			-3.52	5.62	2.2	-14.75	66.7	66.7	9.21	3
1471	Camp stel			-3.45	0.63	9.2	-36.5	72.8	85.3	6.55	149
1496	Crat comm			-2.22	0.89	6	-16.2	85	95	7.48	22
1558	Drep revo			-1.86	0.43	8.4	-16.2	79.4	93.8	6.55	105
1560	Drep unci			10.8		10.8	10.8	100	100	12.91	1
1583	Fiss adia			-4.32	0.86	8.4	-34.5	63.2	84.2	6.48	61
1686	Leuc glau			-2.03	2.59	6.4	-10	66.7	100	5.02	6
1691	Plag affi			-3.78	1.99	5.2	-16.4	66.7	88.9	10.61	9
1695	Plag rost			-1.79	1.12	6	-12.4	73.7	94.7	11.13	20
1700	Rhiz pseu			-1.16	3.2	9.2	-7.8	60	100	13.66	5
1701	Rhiz punc			-0.49	1.98	10.8	-20.75	92.9	92.9	12	14
1745	Phil calc			-1.05	0.69	5.2	-6.4	89.5	100	7.05	21
1747	Phil font			0.43	0.27	1.8	-0.6	100	100	10.01	8
1847	Scor scor			-0.14	0.53	8	-15	90.6	96.2	6.25	56
1860	Spha capi			0.5	0.99	8	-22.6	87.9	93.9	6.58	36
1862	Spha cont			-0.85	1.57	3.75	-13.8	81.8	90.9	7.95	11
1863	Spha cusp			2.34	0.99	11.2	-9.4	89.5	100	5.36	20
1869	Spha mage			2.75	0.86	7.4	-5	100	100	5.31	15
1871	Spha palu			-3.04	1.02	15	-50	71.6	78.4	9.5	93
1872	Spha papi			-0.42	0.66	11.2	-22.75	83.7	90.7	5.63	91
1873	Spha subn			-1.6	0.61	13.4	-34.5	81.3	88.3	7.73	141
1876	Spha recu			0.39	0.8	24.6	-50	87.5	92.3	9.09	115
1883	Spha subs			0.87	1.65	6.8	-11	88.9	88.9	9.46	10
1884	Spha tene			1.67	1.76	10	-1.8	100	100	6.61	6
1885	Spha tere			0.88	0.94	3	-2.4	100	100	20.28	6
2083	Marc poly			0.24	2.89	10.8	-20	88.9	88.9	14.51	10
2118	Odon spha			-0.89	1.81	6.8	-16.8	81.8	90.9	5.36	14
2122	Pell endi			-3.17	0.61	0.4	-9.4	81.3	100	8.42	18
2123	Pell epip			-0.57	0.96	8	-16	90	95	9.23	24
2143	Prei quad			-0.73	0.73	0	-2.2	100	100	5.08	3
2154	Ricc mult			-2.14	0.81	8.4	-15	74.3	88.6	6	38
2156	Aneu ping			-1.69	0.64	13.4	-32.4	78	90.1	6.8	97
2157	Ricc cham			-0.02	1.07	13.4	-5.8	87.5	100	7.14	17
2627	Spha auri			1.99	0.42	16	-12.6	96	99	7.26	108
2766	Erio grac	9	=	7.25	2.75	13.4	0	100	100	6.49	4

Table 6 Summer water level conditions associated with poor-fen plant species recorded from valley fen systems in East Anglia. For selection criteria for species included in the table, see text.

Water level and fertility data are derived from all lowland valley fen sites, except those of Eastern England

Water table values are expressed as cm relative to the soil surface

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NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab	mn	SE	Max	Min	%> -5	%> -10	Fert	N
20	Agro cani	9		-1.7	1.16	10	-24.6	81.3	84.4	10.15	39	
63	Anag tene			-2.47	0.68	13.4	-36.5	76	91.7	6.7	109	
211	Care curt	9		-1.16	2.36	10.8	-59	80.8	96.2	14.23	29	
212	Care demi	8		-0.36	0.46	8	-15	90.3	94.4	6.88	81	
215	Care dioi	9		-0.86	0.61	10.8	-14.75	83.3	92.6	7.41	58	
219	Care echi	8	-	-1.29	0.56	10.8	-31.6	82	87.8	8.45	154	
233	Care nigr	8	-	-2.23	0.98	15.2	-59	79.1	85.5	10.73	116	
237	Care oval			-0.4		-0.4	-0.4	100	100	8.44	2	
252	Care rost	10		0.04	0.87	16	-59	85.2	90.4	10.16	124	
368	Dact macu	X		-2.63	1.53	7.8	-34.5	70	83.3	6.91	33	
393	Dros inte	9	=	0.83	0.86	8.8	-15	90	96.7	5.72	32	
394	Dros rotu	9		-0.29	0.45	15	-24.6	85.5	91.9	6.31	184	
408	Eleo mult			0.84	0.56	13.4	-15	86.8	96.1	5.8	82	
446	Erio anqu	9	=	-0.24	0.41	16	-59	86.3	92.8	7.99	285	
551	Hamm palu			0.12	2.89	7.4	-10.4	80	80	4.57	5	
596	Hype elod	9	=	2.31	0.77	16	-8.2	97.1	100	6.88	37	
619	Junc acut	8		-1.78	0.64	16	-50	81.5	87.9	9.15	195	
626	Junc bulb			0.03	0.62	13.4	-22.6	87.5	92.5	7	86	
801	Nart ossi	9		0.26	0.46	15	-24.6	86.9	92.8	6.43	163	
847	Pedi sylv	8	-	-1.34	1.05	2.2	-9.2	76.9	100	5.81	13	
870	Ping vulg	8		-2.83	0.67	8.4	-34.5	78.4	89.8	6.21	95	
937	Pota poly	12		1.81	0.39	14	-13.8	95.2	98.1	6.73	115	
949	Pote palu	10		-1.44	1.5	16	-59	79.4	91.2	12.51	75	
989	Ranu flam	9	-	0.68	0.56	16	-22	89.9	92.9	10.04	114	
1009	Rhyn alba	9	=	0.94	0.61	13.4	-22.6	90.5	98.4	5.64	68	
1110	Scir cesp	9		-1.75	1.35	3.4	-16.8	81.3	87.5	6.32	19	
1271	Utri mino	10		2.79	1	13.4	-0.8	100	100	6	15	
1276	Vacc oxyc	9		-1.87	1.29	8	-24.6	76.5	82.4	8.09	36	
1327	Viol palu	9		-1.53	0.99	10.8	-50	81.6	88.2	11.77	85	

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab	mn	SE	Max	Min	%> -5	%> -10	Fert	N
1348	Call stra			1.45	1.13		10.8	-7.4	93.3	100	14.03	16
1382	Aula palu			-2.24	1.01		13.4	-23.25	70.4	81.5	9.64	64
1686	Leuc glau			-2.03	2.59		6.4	-10	66.7	100	5.02	6
1747	Phil font			0.43	0.27		1.8	-0.6	100	100	10.01	8
1860	Spha capi			0.5	0.99		8	-22.6	87.9	93.9	6.58	36
1862	Spha cont			-0.85	1.57		3.75	-13.8	81.8	90.9	7.95	11
1863	Spha cusp			2.34	0.99		11.2	-9.4	89.5	100	5.36	20
1869	Spha mage			2.75	0.86		7.4	-5	100	100	5.31	15
1871	Spha palu			-3.04	1.02		15	-50	71.6	78.4	9.5	93
1872	Spha papi			-0.42	0.66		11.2	-22.75	83.7	90.7	5.63	91
1873	Spha subn			-1.6	0.61		13.4	-34.5	81.3	88.3	7.73	141
1876	Spha recu			0.39	0.8		24.6	-50	87.5	92.3	9.09	115
1883	Spha subs			0.87	1.65		6.8	-11	88.9	88.9	9.46	10
1884	Spha tene			1.67	1.76		10	-1.8	100	100	6.61	6
1885	Spha tere			0.88	0.94		3	-2.4	100	100	20.28	6
2083	Marc poly			0.24	2.89		10.8	-20	88.9	88.9	14.51	10
2118	Odon spha			-0.89	1.81		6.8	-16.8	81.8	90.9	5.36	14
2122	Pell endi			-3.17	0.61		0.4	-9.4	81.3	100	8.42	18
2156	Aneu ping			-1.69	0.64		13.4	-32.4	78	90.1	6.8	97
2627	Spha auri			1.99	0.42		16	-12.6	96	99	7.26	108

Table 7 Summer water level conditions associated with fen plant species in valley fen systems in East Anglia. Mean values of fertility (phytometric assay) and % summer managed are also given.

All values are derived from Eastern England valley fens

Ebg: Ellenberg 'moisture value'

Ind: - species associated with fluctuating water conditions (Ellenberg)

= species found in sites that are periodically inundated (Ellenberg)

Water table values are expressed as cm relative to the soil surface.

%> -5; %>-10: % occurrences found in sites with summer water table less than 5 and 10 cm below the surface

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab	mn	SE	Max	Min	%> -5	%> -10	Fert	%man	N
63	Anag tene			-9.25	2.69		-0.2	-36.5	35.7	78.6	8.46	64.7	17
132	Beru erec	10	-	3.3	3.7		7	-0.4	100	100	18.41	0	2
136	Betu pube	X		-3.48	2.53		3.8	-23.2	60	90	6.88	20	10
195	Card prat	7		-6.44	2.64		8	-21.2	50	80	18.88	63.6	11
202	Care acut	9	-	-3.71	2.54		7	-18	63.6	81.8	18.35	18.2	11
213	Care dian	9	=	-3.33	5.96		8	-12.2	33.3	66.7	9.04	100	3
215	Care dioi	9		-4.85	1.04		-1.8	-6.4	25	100	6.09	50	4
220	Care elat	10	-	-3.72	3.3		8	-12.2	60	80	12.02	60	5
229	Care lepi	8		-3.5	1.29		5.2	-12.2	58.3	91.7	7.6	50	12
252	Care rost	10		-10.36	11.29		8	-59	60	80	6.31	66.7	6
371	Dact trau	9	=	-3.8	2		-1.8	-5.8	50	100	7.9	50	2
392	Dros angl	9	=	-0.67	2.7		5.2	-5.4	66.7	100	6.79	25	4
408	Eleo mult			-6.7	1.5		-5.2	-8.2	0	100	5.84	0	2
410	Eleo quin	9		-2.67	1.9		-0.2	-6.4	66.7	100	6.5	33.3	3
432	Equi arve	6	-	-6.4	1.59		-2.2	-16.4	42.9	85.7	12.48	55.6	9
435	Equi palu	X		-3.95	0.88		8	-16.4	60.6	87.9	12.24	42.9	35
447	Erio lati	9		-4.35	0.95		-1.2	-5.8	50	100	6.02	100	5
509	Gali palu	9	=	-2.64	3.16		8	-18	80	80	15.53	55.6	9
596	Hype elod	9	=	-8.2			-8.2	-8.2	0	100	7.16	0	1
665	Lemn mino	11		0.1	3.5		3.6	-3.4	100	100	19.39	50	2
762	Meny trif	9	=	-6.67	4.28		8	-59	57.1	78.6	9.59	42.9	14
786	Myos laxa	8	-	-3.4			-3.4	-3.4	100	100	23.67	100	1
789	Myos scor	8	-	-6.2			-6.2	-6.2	0	100	21.99	0	1
810	Oena fist	9	=	-2.4			-2.4	-2.4	100	100	13.16	0	1
846	Pedi palu	9	□	-4.24	1.76		8	-12.4	50	80	9.15	41.7	12
870	Ping vulg	8		-5.94	4.08		5.2	-32.4	57.1	85.7	6.84	77.8	9
989	Ranu flam	9	-	-2.1	2.7		8	-8.2	50	100	9.5	71.4	7
1009	Rhyn alba	9	=	-0.7	4.5		3.8	-5.2	50	100	4.7	0	2
1044	Rume hydr	10		3.6			3.6	3.6	100	100	15.11	0	1
1069	Sali cine	9	-	-4.24	2.15		1.2	-11.4	60	80	15.33	20	5
1119	Scro auri			-5.17	2.08		0.4	-18	62.5	87.5	19.6	25	8
1168	Sola dulc	8	-	-0.53	2.27		4	-3	100	100	17.73	0	3
1276	Vacc oxyc	9		-3.55	3.61		5.2	-24.6	62.5	75	4.05	12.5	8
1294	Vero becc	10		-3.4			-3.4	-3.4	100	100	23.67	100	1

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab	mn	SE	Max	Min	%> -5	%> -10	Fert	%man	N
1345	Call cusp			-7.9		1.63	8	-38.6	44.1	76.5	11.41	57.5	40
1419	Brac ruta			-9.49		3.93	-0.4	-48.4	54.5	81.8	15.88	61.5	13
1496	Crat comm			-1.2		1	-0.2	-2.2	100	100	11.56	50	2
1500	Cten moll			-4.47		1.96	5.2	-16.4	50	87.5	8.36	50	10
1558	Drep revo			-2.29		0.96	5.2	-6.4	63.6	100	7.81	50	14
1577	Eurh prae			-5.43		1.97	-0.4	-16.4	71.4	85.7	16.33	42.9	7
1583	Fiss adia			-6.13		1.73	1.2	-16.4	33.3	77.8	7.81	60	10
1700	Rhiz pseu			-5.1		1.5	-3.6	-6.6	50	100	13.95	100	2
1701	Rhiz punc			-5			-5	-5	100	100	6	100	1
1704	Plag elat			-5.4			-5.4	-5.4	0	100	5.05	100	1
1745	Phil calc			-2.65		2.68	5.2	-6.4	50	100	7.27	50	4
1847	Scor scor			5.2			5.2	5.2	100	100	5.31	0	1
1863	Spha cusp			-0.7		4.5	3.8	-5.2	50	100	4.7	0	2
1872	Spha papi			0		1.9	3.8	-5.2	75	100	3.6	0	4
1876	Spha recu			-3.6		3.28	3.8	-24.6	71.4	85.7	7.02	33.3	9
2122	Pell endi			-0.2			-0.2	-0.2	100	100	12.49	50	2
2157	Ricc cham			-0.3		5.5	5.2	-5.8	50	100	7.2	50	2
2627	Spha auri			-5.2			-5.2	-5.2	0	100	4.53	0	1

Table 8 Summer water level conditions associated with selected rich-fen plant species in valley fen systems in East Anglia. Species included are those that tend to occupy drier valley fen sites in Eastern England than in valley fens elsewhere in lowland Britain (mean EE value more than 5cm less than UK mean). Mean values of fertility (phytometric assay) and % summer managed are also given.

Ebg: Ellenberg 'moisture value'

Ind: ~ species associated with fluctuating water conditions (Ellenberg)

= species found in sites that are periodically inundated (Ellenberg)

Water table values are expressed as cm relative to the soil surface

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab EA	Wtab UK	Fert	%man
629	Junc cong	7	-	-48.4	-3.01	15.3	100
630	Junc effu	7	~	-39.5	-3.13	10.09	100
233	Care nigr	8	~	-30.5	-2.23	11.24	100
320	Clad mari	9		-23.01	-14.6	9.68	54.5
225	Care host	9		-22.25	-5.91	10.42	85.7
731	Lyth sali	8	=	-19.4	-10.06	16.31	60
709	Luzu mult	6	~	-19.09	-8.53	11.42	66.7
1123	Scut gale	9	=	-18	-2.7	20.22	0
946	Pote errec	X		-17.12	-5.38	9.45	56.7
949	Pote palu	10		-17.05	-1.44	9.19	75
1327	Viol palu	9		-15.72	-1.53	9.18	33.3
1205	Succ prat	7	~	-15.02	-4.69	9.12	61.5
1079	Sali repe	X		-14.97	-6.58	7.84	83.3
247	Care puli	9		-14.63	-5.51	9.86	66.7
223	Care flac	6	-	-14.09	-6.66	9.08	70
713	Lych flos	6	~	-14.03	-5.62	15.15	72.2
702	Lotu ulig	8	~	-13.32	-7.9	13.32	61.3
239	Care pani	7	~	-13.05	-3.89	9.55	57.8
2641	Cirs diss			-13.03	-4.94	10.93	50
1056	Sagi nodo	8	~	-12.2	-2.4	6.44	100
1446	Bryu pseu			-12.05	-1.84	9.01	80
590	Hydr vulg	9	~	-11.29	-4.17	10.81	50
776	Moli caer	7	~	-10.98	-2.49	9.27	47.9
252	Care rost	10		-10.36	0.04	6.31	66.7
622	Junc arti	8	~	-10.28	-2.5	10.16	100
367	Dact inca	8	~	-10.02	-3.03	10.47	33.3
2156	Aneu ping			-9.9	-1.69	9.28	62.5
219	Care echi	8	-	-9.72	-1.29	6.52	50
844	Parn palu	8	-	-9.42	-4.32	8.58	55.6
446	Erio angu	9	=	-9.26	-0.24	5.88	43.8
63	Anag tene			-9.25	-2.47	8.46	64.7
1107	Scho nigr	9	=	-9.19	-2.49	9.22	56.5
1346	Call giga			-9	3.26	6.99	100
1471	Camp stel			-8.51	-3.45	8.33	56.5
2154	Ricc mult			-8.2	-2.14	10.74	100
762	Meny trif	9	=	-6.67	-0.17	9.59	42.9
195	Card prat	7		-6.44	-0.95	18.88	63.6
937	Pota poly	12		-4.2	1.81	6.92	66.7
213	Care dian	9	=	-3.33	4.34	9.04	100

Table 9 Summer water level conditions associated with selected rich-fen plant species in valley fen systems in East Anglia. Species included are those that have fairly similar mean water table conditions in Eastern England valley fens and in valley fens elsewhere in lowland Britain (mean values are within 5cm of one another). Mean values of fertility (phytometric assay) and % summer managed are also given.

Ebg: Ellenberg 'moisture value'

Ind: ~ species associated with fluctuating water conditions (Ellenberg)

▣ species found in sites that are periodically inundated (Ellenberg)

Water table values are expressed as cm relative to the soil surface.

All values are derived from Eastern England valley fens

% > -5; % > -10: % occurrences found in sites with summer water table less than 5 and 10 cm below the surface

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab EE	Wtab UK	Fert	%man
1223	Thal flav	8	~	-28.3	-28.3	13.35	50
2572	Care appr	9	=	-24.33	-24.33	10.51	100
873	Plan lanc	X		-24.17	-20.29	15.46	88.9
169	Cala cane	9	~	-18.9	-18.9	11.63	75
688	List ovat	6	~	-15.2	-17.25	14.07	66.7
549	Gymn cono	7	~	-13.25	-8.26	8.44	46.7
1280	Vale dioi	8	~	-12.76	-8.56	10.7	58.5
512	Gali ulig	8	~	-11.66	-8.71	12.69	55
1814	Pseu puru			-11.47	-10.69	11.7	70.6
483	Fili ulma	8		-11.4	-8.54	15.3	50
431	Epip palu	8	~	-11.35	-8.1	8.85	58.6
67	Ange sylv	8		-11.33	-8.31	13.66	42.2
861	Phra aust	10	~	-11.17	-6.48	10.73	33.3
366	Dact fuch	X		-11.05	-8.94	13.27	60.9
369	Dact maja	8	~	-10.89	-8.57	9.03	57.1
603	Hype tetr	8	=	-10.52	-7.61	17.5	83.3
3125	Peuc palu	9	=	-10.41	-10.41	11.45	60
658	Lath prat	8		-10.36	-7.67	13.76	36.4
318	Cirs palu	8	~	-9.99	-7.52	13.86	60.9
217	Care dist	9	=	-9.92	-11.39	13.46	53.8
1228	Thel palu	8		-9.92	-8.27	10.94	80
2659	Junc subn	8		-9.73	-8.04	12.36	45.8
730	Lysi vulg	8	~	-9.6	-9.4	10.35	100
1419	Brac ruta			-9.49	-12.11	15.88	61.5
1281	Vale offi	8	~	-9.1	-5.51	14.69	16.7
458	Eupa cann	7		-8.95	-8.98	12.5	31
1345	Call cusp			-7.9	-4.15	11.41	57.5
755	Ment aqua	9	=	-7.88	-4.84	12.8	51.2
1691	Plag affi			-7.65	-3.78	8.89	50
2067	Loph bide			-7.08	-8.86	11.32	50
811	Oena lach			-6.8	-7.39	5.66	50
425	Epil palu	9		-6.67	-1.91	9.52	100

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab EE	Wtab UK	Fert	%man
1873	Spha subn			-6.3	-1.6	8.96	37.5
789	Myos scor	8	~	-6.2	-6.2	21.99	0
1583	Fiss adia			-6.13	-4.32	7.81	60
179	Calt palu	8	=	-6.09	-4.47	16.69	33.3
870	Ping vulg	8		-5.94	-2.83	6.84	77.8
240	Care pani	9	=	-5.6	-3.63	19.85	0
1704	Plag elat			-5.4	-4	5.05	100
1254	Trig palu	9	=	-5.2	-2.43	6.84	50
1700	Rhiz pseu			-5.1	-1.16	13.95	100
1701	Rhiz punc			-5	-0.49	6	100
215	Care dioi	9		-4.85	-0.86	6.09	50
447	Erio lati	9		-4.35	-3.52	6.02	100
619	Junc acut	8		-4.35	-1.78	7.42	50
846	Pedi palu	9	=	-4.24	-0.76	9.15	41.7
433	Equi fluv	10		-4.1	-2.27	15.58	63.6
435	Equi palu	X		-3.95	-3.67	12.24	42.9
371	Dact trau	9	=	-3.8	-1.03	7.9	50
202	Care acut	9	~	-3.71	-6	18.35	18.2
1276	Vacc oxyc	9		-3.55	-1.87	4.05	12.5
229	Care lepi	8		-3.5	-2.27	7.6	50
786	Myos laxa	8	~	-3.4	-3.57	23.67	100
1294	Vero becc	10		-3.4	-3.13	23.67	100
410	Eleo quin	9		-2.67	-1.51	6.5	33.3
1745	Phil calc			-2.65	-1.05	7.27	50
509	Gali palu	9	=	-2.64	-2.18	15.53	55.6
810	Oena fist	9	=	-2.4	-2.4	13.16	0
1558	Drep revo			-2.29	-1.86	7.81	50
989	Ranu flam	9	~	-2.1	0.68	9.5	71.4
1496	Crat comm			-1.2	-2.22	11.56	50
392	Dros anql	9	=	-0.67	1.93	6.79	25
2157	Ricc cham			-0.3	-0.02	7.2	50
2122	Pell endi			-0.2	-3.17	12.49	50
665	Lemn mino	11		0.1	0.45	19.39	50
132	Beru errec	10	~	3.3	2.2	18.41	0
1044	Rume hydr	10		3.6	3.6	15.11	0

Table 10 Summer water level conditions associated with selected rich-fen plant species in valley fen systems in East Anglia. Species included are those that have a considerably higher (> 5 cm) mean summer water table in Eastern England valley fens compared with valley fens elsewhere in lowland Britain. Mean values of fertility (phytometric assay) and % summer managed are also given.

Ebg: Ellenberg 'moisture value'

Ind: - species associated with fluctuating water conditions (Ellenberg)

= species found in sites that are periodically inundated (Ellenberg)

Water table values are expressed as cm relative to the soil surface.

All values are derived from Eastern England valley fens

%> -5; %>-10: % occurrences found in sites with summer water table less than 5 and 10 cm below the surface

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab EE	Wtab UK	Fert	%man
421	Epil hirs	8	=	-5.54	-13.14	19.96	0
1577	Eurh prae			-5.43	-12.97	16.33	42.9
1119	Scro auri			-5.17	-13.48	19.6	25
220	Care elat	10	-	-3.72	-9.57	12.02	60
1168	Sola dulc	8	-	-0.53	-22.85	17.73	0

Table 11. Plant species of valley fens in East Anglia that may be particularly vulnerable to dehydration.

Note that in cases of severe and prolonged dehydration wetland species in addition to these listed may also be expected to disappear from valley-fen sites.

Ebg: Ellenberg 'moisture value'

Ind: ~ species associated with fluctuating water conditions (Ellenberg)

= species found in sites that are periodically inundated (Ellenberg)

Water table values are expressed as cm relative to the soil surface.

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab UK	Wtab EE
63	Anag tene			-2.47	-9.25
132	Beru erec	10	w	2.2	3.3
143	Blys comp			-13.4	
179	Calt palu	8	f	-4.47	-6.09
211	Care curt	9		-1.16	-5.9
212	Care demi	8		-0.36	
213	Care dian	9	f	4.34	-3.33
215	Care dioi	9		-0.86	-4.85
219	Care echi	8	w	-1.29	-9.72
220	Care elat	10	w	-9.57	-3.72
223	Care flac	6	m	-6.66	-14.09
225	Care host	9		-5.91	-22.25
228	Care lasi	9	f	1.54	
229	Care lepi	8		-2.27	-3.5
230	Care limo	9	f	3.86	
233	Care nigr	8	w	-2.23	-30.5
240	Care pani	9	f	-3.63	-5.6
252	Care rost	10		0.04	-10.36
371	Dact trauf	9	f	-1.03	-3.8
392	Dros anql	9	f	1.93	-0.67
393	Dros inte	9	f	0.83	
394	Dros rotu	9		-0.29	-5.3
408	Eleo mult			0.84	-6.7
425	Epil palu	9		-1.91	-6.67
433	Equi fluv	10		-2.27	-4.1
435	Equi palu	X		-3.67	-3.95
446	Erio anqu	9	f	-0.24	-9.26
447	Erio lati	9		-3.52	-4.35
509	Gali palu	9	f	-2.18	-2.64
551	Hamn palu			0.12	
596	Hype elod	9	f	2.31	-8.2
615	Iris pseu	10		-1.38	
626	Junc bulb			0.03	3.8
665	Lemn mino	11		0.45	0.1
723	Lycu euro	9	f	-3.9	
755	Ment aqua	9	f	-4.84	-7.88
762	Meny trif	9	f	-0.17	-6.67
786	Myos laxa	8	w	-3.57	-3.4

NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab UK	Wtab EE
789	Myos scor	8	w	-6.2	-6.2
801	Nart ossi	9		0.26	-9.95
810	Oena fist	9	f	-2.4	-2.4
844	Parn palu	8	w	-4.32	-9.42
846	Pedi palu	9	f	-0.76	-4.24
847	Pedi sylv	8	w	-1.34	
870	Ping vulg	8		-2.83	-5.94
925	Pota colo	12		3.75	
937	Pota poly	12		1.81	-4.2
949	Pote palu	10		-1.44	-17.05
989	Ranu flam	9	w	0.68	-2.1
993	Ranu ling	10		-4.4	
1009	Rhyn alba	9	f	0.94	-0.7
1044	Rume hydr	10		3.6	3.6
1254	Trig palu	9	f	-2.43	-5.2
1270	Utri inte	10		1.99	
1271	Utri mino	10		2.79	
1273	Utri vulg	12		11.3	8
1294	Vero becc	10		-3.13	-3.4
1305	Vero scut	9	f	3.6	
1344	Call cord			0.81	
1346	Call giga			3.26	-9
1348	Call stra			1.45	
1446	Bryu pseu			-1.84	-12.05
1467	Camp elod			-4.73	-6.8
1471	Camp stel			-3.45	-8.51
1493	Clim dend			-3.16	-3.6
1496	Crat comm			-2.22	-1.2
1556	Drep flui			2.82	
1558	Drep revo			-1.86	-2.29
1691	Plag affi			-3.78	-7.65
1695	Plag rost			-1.79	-6.2
1700	Rhiz pseu			-1.16	-5.1
1701	Rhiz punc			-0.49	-5
1704	Plag elat			-4	-5.4
1745	Phil calc			-1.05	-2.65
1747	Phil font			0.43	
1832	Raco lanu			-1.35	
1847	Scor scor			-0.14	5.2
1860	Spha capi			0.5	
1862	Spha cont			-0.85	
1863	Spha cusp			2.34	-0.7
1864	Spha fimb			-14.18	
1869	Spha mage			2.75	
1871	Spha palu			-3.04	-11.18
1872	Spha papi			-0.42	0
1873	Spha subn			-1.6	-6.3
1876	Spha recu			0.39	-3.6
1880	Spha squa			-4.25	
1883	Spha subs			0.87	-5.5
NVC	Name	Ebg	Ind	Wtab UK	Wtab EE

1884	Spha tene	1.67	
1885	Spha tere	0.88	
2122	Pell endi	-3.17	-0.2
2143	Prei quad	-0.73	
2154	Ricc mult	-2.14	-8.2
2157	Ricc cham	-0.02	-0.3
2627	Spha auri	1.99	-5.2

Additional species probably vulnerable to dehydration for which water-level data are not available include the following. Some of this are probably already extinct in East Anglian valley fens.

Campylium protensum
Cinclidium stygium
Drepanocladus exannulatus
Drepanocladus lycopodioides
Drepanoclaus sendteri
Drepanocladus vernicosus
Eriophorum gracile
Hemalothecium nitens
Leiocolea rutheana
Liparis loeselii
Riccardia latifrons
Scirpus fluitans
Selinum carvifolia
Moerkia flotoviana