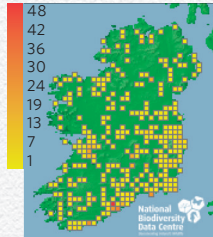


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*Eristalis
arbustorum*
European Drone Fly

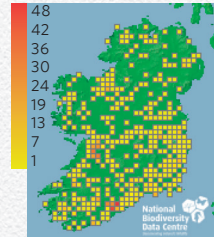


actual size




-  Wing length 7-10 mm
-  Yellow dusted face with no blackstripe and dark tarsi
-  April - October



*Eristalis
pertinax*
Tapered Drone Fly

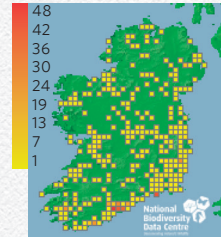


actual size




-  Wing length 8.25-12.75 mm
-  Tapered abdomen and yellow tarsi or "feet" on front and middle legs
-  February - November



*Eristalis
tenax*
Common Drone Fly



actual size

-  Wing length 9.75-13 mm
-  Broad black facial stripe and curved and thickened hind tibia
-  February - November

The species chosen here are based on extensive surveys across farms within the Protecting Farmland Pollinators European Innovation Partnership Project. The maps represent the number of records per 10km² submitted to Biodiversity Maps.

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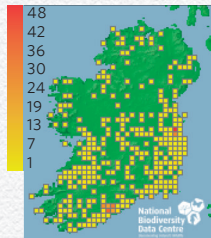


Episyrphus balteatus

Marmalade Hoverfly



actual size



Wing length 6-10.25 mm

Thick black bands alternating with thinner 'moustache' bands.

January - December

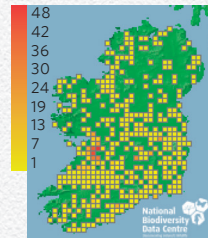


Rhingia campestris

Common Snout



actual size



Wings length 6-9.5 mm

Elongated rostrum (snout), striped thorax and orange abdomen.

March - November

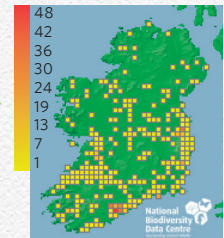


Syritta pipiens

Thick-Legged Hoverfly



actual size



Wings length 4.25-7 mm

Enlarged hind femora "thick thighs" and dusted ash grey on side of thorax.

April - October