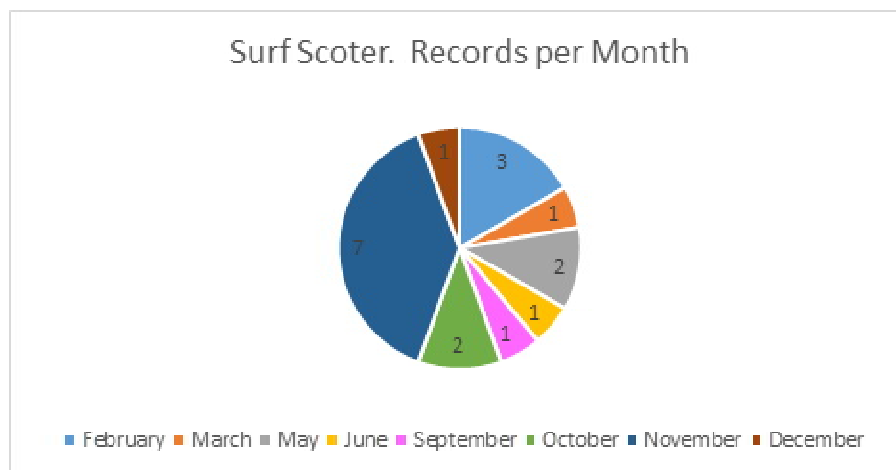
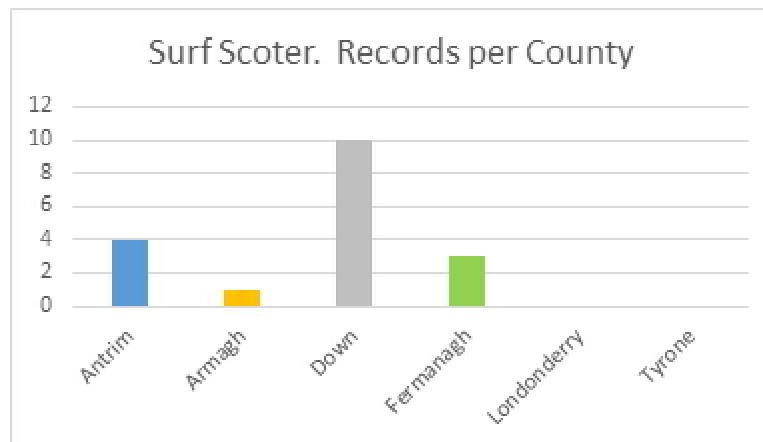


Surf Scoter *Melanitta perspicillata* (1, 11, 5).

(Breeds almost exclusively in Northern Canada and Alaska. Winters from the Aleutian Islands in the north to Baja Peninsula in Mexico in the south).



Published records:

1846

One: Male. Shot. Ballyholme, County Down, 9th September (Snowden Corken). *Deane* 1954.

1983

One: Adult male. Castle Archdale, Lisnarick, County Fermanagh, 7th June in the company of one Velvet Scoter and Common Scoters (Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). *NIBRC* 1987.

Two: Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down. One, adult male, 18th to 19th November with a female or immature on 19th November (Richard.J. Ellis, Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). *NIBRC* 1987.

1984

Four: Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down. One, adult male, and three females 9th November (R.J. Ellis, J. Whatmough, Brian Nelson, Anthony McGeehan *et al.*). *NIBRC* 1987.

1985

One: Male. Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down, 2nd November (Anthony McGeehan). *Preston* 1986. Not in NIBA / NIBARC reports.

1987

Three: One male, one female and one immature. Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down, 17th February (Stuart McKee). *NIBA* 1992.

Two: Males. Goat Island, Lower Lough Erne, Derrygonnelly, County Fermanagh, 28th May (Joe Magee, Clive Mellon). *NIBA* 1992.

One: Male. Owl Island, Lower Lough Erne, Derrygonnelly, County Fermanagh, 17th June (Joe Magee). *NIBA* 1992.

1988

Three: Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down. One, female 18th January with two males, 30th October to 13th November (Richard.J. Ellis, Joe Whatmough *et al.*). *NIBA* 1992.

One: Probably a first summer male. Oxford Island NNR, Lurgan, County Armagh, 20th to 21st March (Garry Armstrong *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019. This replaces the Oxford Island record.

1989

One: Immature male. Rostrevor, Carlingford Lough, County Down, 12th to 19th November, probably present since 11th November (Dennis Doherty, George Gordon, S.H. Craig, Jim Morrison, Des Mouncey *et al.*). *NIBA* 1992.

1990

Two: Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down. One, male 5th January with two males, 30th November to 19th December. (Hugh Thurgate *et al.*). *NIBA* 1992.

One: Male. Tyrella Beach, Tyrella, Downpatrick, County Down, 16th to 18th December (Hugh Thurgate *et al.*). *NIBA* 1992.

1992

One: Male. Dundrum Bay, Newcastle, County Down, 13th January (Hugh Thurgate). *NIBA* 1993.

1998

One: Juvenile, Carnlough Bay, Carnlough, County Antrim, 13th - 16th November and again from 22nd - 28th November. This juvenile was also recorded at Red Bay, County Antrim from 18th - 21st November (David Steele, Jack Malins *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019. This replaces the 1998 record.

2000

One: Immature male. Rostrevor Bay, Rostrevor, Carlingford Lough, County Down, from 8th to 15th October (Joe Devlin *et al.*). *NIBA* 2002.

2012

One: First-winter male. Carnlough Harbour, Carnlough, County Antrim, 31st October - 7th November, photographed (Gary Brown *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

2013

One: First-winter male. Garron Point, Carnlough, County Antrim, 29th December into 2014, photographed (Neal Warnock *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

2014**Antrim**

One: First-winter male. Garron Point, Carnlough, County Antrim, from 2013 remained to 18th January (Derek Charles, Majella Callaghan, Walter Veale *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

Two: Newcastle, County Down; one adult male, Newcastle Harbour, 2nd February - 1st March with an adult female observed from 23rd February - 1st March. The adult male was also recorded at Dundrum Bay on 7th February (Ed O'Hara, Andrew Crory *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.

2015**Down**

One: Adult male. Newcastle Harbour, Newcastle, County Down, 2nd - 18th January, presumed returning individual (Dermot Hughes *et al.*). *Charles and Crory* 2019.



First-winter male. Garron Point, Carnlough, County Antrim, 1st January 2014. Photo courtesy of Derek Charles.



Carnlough Harbour, Carnlough, County Antrim, 7th November 2012. Photo courtesy of Ian Dickey.