

Cerastium arvense

COMMON NAME

field chickweed

FAMILY

Caryophyllaceae

AUTHORITY

Cerastium arvense L.

FLORA CATEGORY

Vascular – Exotic

STRUCTURAL CLASS

Herbs - Dicotyledons other than Composites

NVS CODE

CERARV

CONSERVATION STATUS

Not applicable

FLOWER COLOURS

White, Yellow

YEAR NATURALISED

1878

ORIGIN

Europe

ETYMOLOGY

cerastium: From the Greek keras 'horn', referring to the seed capsules of some species looking like horns as they emerge from the calyx.

arvense: Growing in arable fields

MORE INFORMATION

<https://www.nzpcn.org.nz/flora/species/cerastium-arvense/>

