

# *Otus brucei*

## PALLID SCOPS-OWL



**SPEC 3** (1994: —) **Status** Critically Endangered

**Criteria** See IUCN below

**European IUCN Red List Category** CR

**Criteria** C2a(i); D1

**Global IUCN Red List Category** —

**Criteria** —

*Otus brucei* has a predominantly Asian and Middle Eastern distribution, which just extends into Europe in south-eastern Turkey. Its European breeding population is tiny (as few as 10 pairs), and although its trend between 1970–1990 was unknown, it underwent a large decline (>30%) overall during 1990–2000. As a consequence of this decline and its tiny population, this previously Secure species is now evaluated as Critically Endangered.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Turkey	10 – 50	01	(-)	(30–49)	
<b>Total (approx.)</b>	10 – 50		<b>Overall trend</b> Large decline		
<b>Breeding range</b>	<20,000 km <sup>2</sup>		<b>Gen. length.</b> <3.3 % <b>Global pop.</b> <5		

2000 population	100			
1990 population	100			
1990–2000 trend	100			
1970–1990 trend	100			
<b>Data quality (%) – <i>Otus brucei</i></b>				
	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	<input type="checkbox"/> poor	<input type="checkbox"/> medium	<input type="checkbox"/> good

2000 population	56	39	5	
1990 population	3	7	86	4
1990–2000 trend	23	60	16	
1970–1990 trend	3	33	60	4
<b>Data quality (%) – <i>Tyto alba</i> (see p. 159, top)</b>				
	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	<input type="checkbox"/> poor	<input type="checkbox"/> medium	<input type="checkbox"/> good