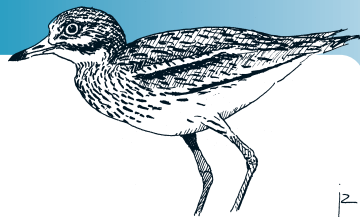


Burhinus oedicnemus

EURASIAN THICK-KNEE



SPEC 3 (1994: 3) **Status** (Vulnerable)

Criteria See IUCN below

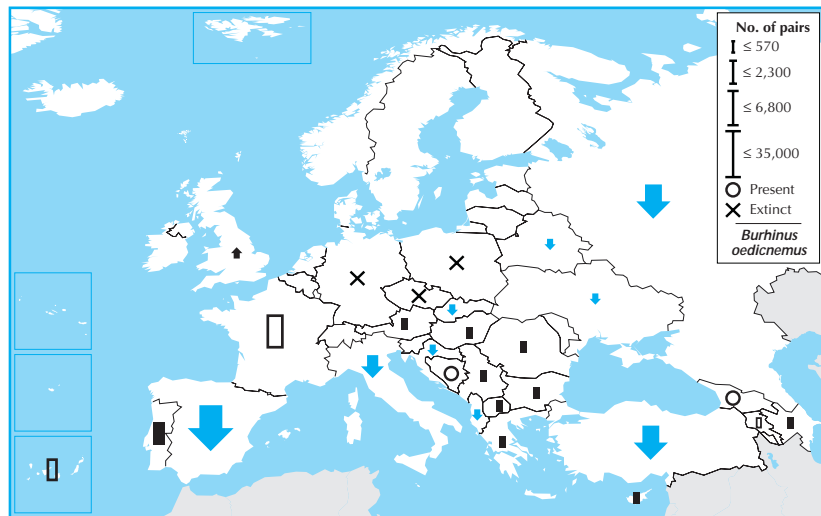
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Burhinus oedicnemus is a widespread but patchily distributed breeder in much of the southern half of Europe, which accounts for less than half of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is relatively small (<78,000 pairs), and underwent a large decline between 1970–1990. Although some populations were stable or increased during 1990–2000, the species continued to decline across much of Europe—including in its Spanish stronghold—and underwent a large decline (>30%) overall. Consequently, it is provisionally evaluated as Vulnerable.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Albania	30 – 100	96–02	–	0–19	
Armenia	80 – 300	99–02	?	–	
Austria	11 – 13	98–02	(0)	0–19	
Azerbaijan	(200 – 500)	96–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Belarus	1 – 10	97–00	–	50–79	
Bosnia & HG	Present	90–03	?	–	
Bulgaria	130 – 250	96–02	(0)	0–9	
Croatia	(30 – 50)	02	(–)	(50–79)	70,54,26
Cyprus	(200 – 1,000)	94–02	(0)	(0–9)	
Czech Rep.	0 – 0	00	–	X	
France	5,000 – 9,000	00	?	–	1
Georgia	Present	03	?	–	
Germany	0 – 0	00	–	X	
Greece	(300 – 500)	95–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Hungary	150 – 250	95–02	(0)	0–19	
Italy	(800 – 1,200)	03	(–)	(0–9)	
Macedonia	100 – 300	93–99	F	30–49	
Poland	0 – 0	00–03	–	X	70,71
Portugal	(1,000 – 5,000)	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Romania	(400 – 800)	90–02	(0)	(0–19)	53
Russia	(3,000 – 10,000)	90–00	–	20–29	8,28,60,74
Serbia & MN	30 – 45	98–02	F	10–29	1,29,84,81,148, 227,156,135a
Slovakia	0 – 5	80–99	–	30–49	
Spain	(30,000 – 40,000)	98–02	(–)	(0–19)	10,16
Canary Is.	(1,000 – 2,500)	97–03	?	–	25
Turkey	(3,000 – 6,000)	01	(–)	(0–19)	
Ukraine	(100 – 150)	90–00	–	30–49	
UK	214 – 227	96–00	+	81	

Total (approx.)	46,000 – 78,000	Overall trend	Large decline
Breeding range	>2,000,000 km ²	Gen. length	9 % Global pop. 25–49

2000 population	87		12
1990 population	48		52
Data quality (%) – <i>Burhinus oedicnemus</i>			
□ unknown □ poor ■ medium ■ good			
1990–2000 trend	14	75	11
1970–1990 trend	3	45	52

2000 population	4	33	63	
1990 population	30	26	44	
Data quality (%) – <i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i> (see p. 108, top)				
□ unknown □ poor ■ medium ■ good				
1990–2000 trend	13	38	49	
1970–1990 trend	22	19	32	27