

Uria aalge COMMON MURRE



Non-SPEC (1994: —) Status (Secure)

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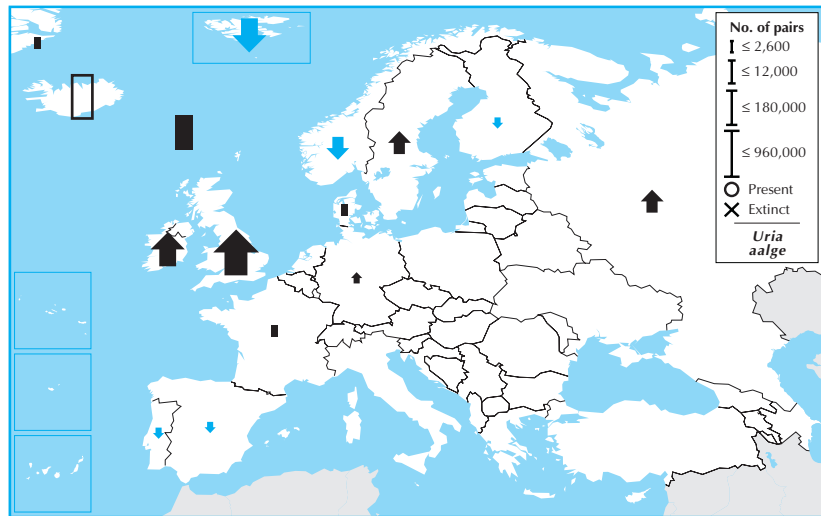
European IUCN Red List Category —

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Global IUCN Red List Category —

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Uria aalge is a widespread but patchily distributed breeder in coastal areas of western and northern Europe, which accounts for less than half of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is very large (>2,000,000 pairs), and was stable between 1970–1990. Although the trend of the large population in Iceland during 1990–2000 was unknown, declines in countries such as Svalbard and Norway were more than compensated for by significant increases in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland. Consequently, the species is provisionally evaluated as Secure.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Denmark	2,500 – 2,500	99-00	0	0–19	16
Faroe Is.	175,000 – 175,000	95	(0)	(0–19)	
Greenland	(1,000 – 2,000)	90–00	(0)	(0–19)	5
Finland	25 – 35	98-01	–	25	
France	248 – 248	00	F	20–29	6
Germany	2,600 – 2,600	95–99	+	30–49	
Iceland	656,000 – 1,380,000	75–94	?	–	6
Rep. Ireland	88,000 – 88,000	99-02	+	50–79	
Norway	5,000 – 11,000	74–96	–	20–29	4
Svalbard	100,000 – 100,000	74–96	–	30–49	
Portugal	2 – 10	02	(–)	(–)	
Russia	5,000 – 7,500	90–02	+	20–29	82,154,155
Spain	0 – 50	98-02	(–)	(0–19)	10,16
Sweden	11,000 – 12,000	99-00	+	0–9	
UK	952,000 – 952,000	98-02	+	31	20

Total (approx.) Breeding range: 2,000,000 – 2,700,000 >250,000 km²

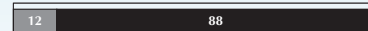
Overall trend Large increase
Gen. length 16 % Global pop. 5–24

Country	Winter pop. size (individuals)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Denmark	(170,000 – 300,000)	87-91	?	–	27
Faroe Is.	5,000 – 50,000	92	?	–	3
Greenland	(100 – 5,000)	90-00	?	–	
Estonia	(0 – 25)	98	(0)	(0–19)	1
France	(4,000 – 20,000)	98-02	?	–	9
Germany	33,500 – 33,500	87-03	?	–	4
Iceland	(4,000,000 – 5,000,000)	78-94	?	–	48
Latvia	(0 – 100)	90-02	(0)	(0–19)	32
Lithuania	(0 – 50)	92-02	?	–	
Portugal	Present	02	?	–	
Sweden	100,000 – 110,000	98-01	0	0–19	
UK					
Gibraltar	0 – 1	00-03	0	0–19	

Total (approx.) % in European IBAs: >4,300,000 3–4

Overall trend Unknown
Gen. length 16 % Global pop. 5–24

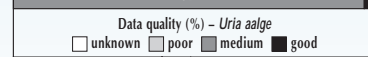
2000 population



1990 population



1990–2000 trend



1970–1990 trend



Data quality (%) – *Uria aalge*

□ unknown □ poor ■ medium ■ good