

# Circus pygargus

## MONTAGU'S HARRIER

Non-SPEC<sup>E</sup> (1994: 4) **Status** Secure

Criteria —

**European IUCN Red List Category** —

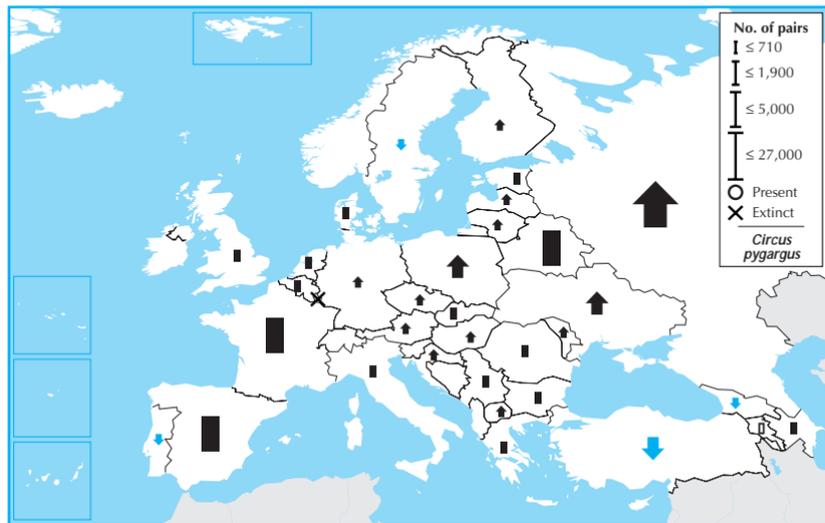
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**Global IUCN Red List Category** —

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*Circus pygargus* has a widespread but patchy breeding distribution in Europe, which constitutes >50% of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is relatively small (<65,000 pairs), but underwent a large increase between 1970–1990. This trend continued during 1990–2000, with declines in a small number of countries more than compensated for by stable or increasing trends across the vast majority of its European range. Consequently, it is evaluated as Secure.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag. %	References
Armenia	50 – 250	98-02	?	–	
Austria	15 – 25	98-02	+	<b>20-29</b>	
Azerbaijan	(200 – 500)	96-00	(0)	(0-19)	
Belarus	<b>3,000 – 5,000</b>	97-02	<b>0</b>	<b>0-19</b>	
Belgium	<b>6 – 12</b>	95-02	<b>0</b>	<b>0-19</b>	1
Bulgaria	80 – 180	95-02	(F)	(30-49)	
Croatia	30 – 50	02	(+)	(>80)	70,16
Czech Rep.	<b>80 – 120</b>	00	+	<b>300</b>	
Denmark	<b>36 – 45</b>	01-02	<b>0</b>	<b>0-19</b>	7,19
Estonia	100 – 200	98	0	0-19	1
Finland	2 – 10	98-02	+	100	
France	<b>3,800 – 5,100</b>	00-02	0	0-19	8,7
Georgia	15 – 30	94-03	–	30-49	
Germany	<b>234 – 283</b>	95-99	+	<b>0-19</b>	
Greece	(10 – 30)	95-00	(0)	(0-19)	
Hungary	<b>100 – 200</b>	95-02	+	<b>50-79</b>	1
Italy	260 – 380	03	0	0-19	6
Latvia	100 – 200	90-00	(+)	(30-49)	23
Lithuania	200 – 300	99-01	(+)	(0-19)	20
Luxembourg	<b>0 – 0</b>	02	–	<b>X</b>	
Macedonia	<b>100 – 140</b>	99-00	(+)	(20-29)	3
Moldova	4 – 6	90-00	+	0-19	
Netherlands	<b>29 – 45</b>	98-00	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	1
Poland	1,300 – 2,500	00-02	(+)	(>80)	2,23
Portugal	500 – 1,000	02	(–)	(–)	
Romania	0 – 12	90-02	(0)	(0-19)	62
Russia	20,000 – 35,000	94-01	+	<b>20-29</b>	2,12,22,73,104,132,134
Serbia & MN	4 – 6	00-02	0	0-19	1,70,200,10a,155
Slovakia	30 – 80	80-99	F	20-29	
Spain	(2,500 – 10,000)	98-02	(0)	(0-19)	10,16
Sweden	<b>55 – 75</b>	99-00	–	0-9	
Turkey	800 – 1,200	01	–	20-29	
Ukraine	1,500 – 2,400	90-00	+	0-19	
UK	<b>6 – 6</b>	96-00	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	

Total (approx.) Breeding range: 35,000 – 65,000 pairs; >3,000,000 km<sup>2</sup>  
 Overall trend: Moderate increase  
 Gen. length: 6  
 % Global pop.: 50-74

