

# *Falco vespertinus* RED-FOOTED FALCON

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

**Criteria** See IUCN below

**European IUCN Red List Category** VU

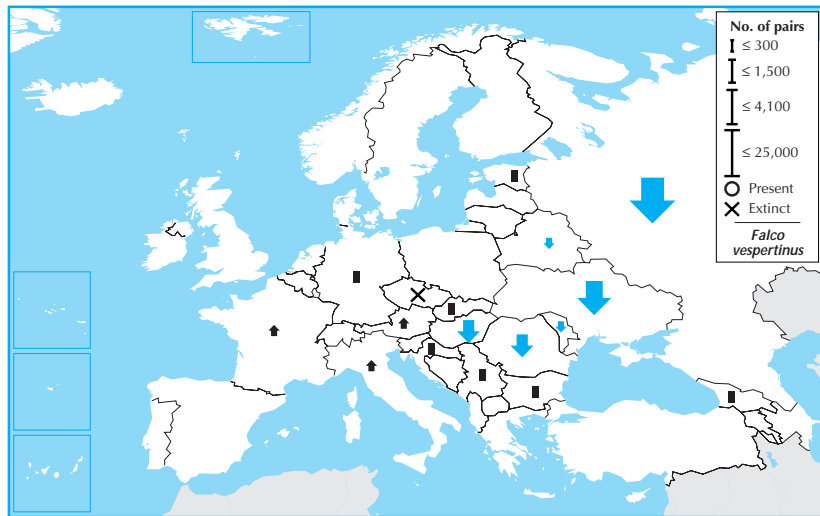
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*Falco vespertinus* is a widespread summer visitor to much of eastern Europe, which accounts for less than half of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is relatively small (<39,000 pairs), and underwent a large decline between 1970–1990. Although the species was stable or increased in several marginal countries during 1990–2000, it continued to decline in its Russian stronghold and other sizeable populations in eastern Europe, and underwent a large decline (>30%) overall. Consequently, it is provisionally evaluated as Vulnerable.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag. %	References
Austria	1 – 5	98-02	+	N	
Belarus	(10 – 15)	97-02	–	0–9	
Bulgaria	50 – 150	95-02	F	30–49	
Croatia	(1 – 10)	02	(0)	(0–19)	70,44,57
Czech Rep.	<b>0 – 0</b>	00	–	<b>X</b>	
Estonia	(0 – 10)	98	F	20–29	1
France	1 – 5	00-02	+	<b>0–19</b>	8,7
Georgia	10 – 50	94-03	(F)	(>80)	
Germany	<b>0 – 1</b>	95-99	F	<b>&gt;80</b>	
Hungary	800 – 1,500	95-02	–	<b>50–79</b>	1
Italy	<b>70 – 70</b>	03	+	<b>&gt;80</b>	6
Moldova	<b>70 – 90</b>	90-00	–	<b>20–29</b>	
Romania	(1,300 – 1,600)	90-02	(–)	(0–19)	62
Russia	(20,000 – 30,000)	94-02	(–)	(20–29)	8,24,33,67,73,94
Serbia & MN	250 – 350	97-02	F	20–29	1,73,132,246,12
Slovakia	<b>20 – 100</b>	80-99	F	30–49	
Ukraine	3,200 – 5,100	90-00	–	30–49	

<b>Total (approx.)</b>	26,000 – 39,000	<b>Overall trend</b> Large decline			
<b>Breeding range</b>	>2,000,000 km <sup>2</sup>	<b>Gen. length.</b> <3.3 % <b>Global pop.</b> 25–49			

<b>2000 population</b>	82	17
<b>1990 population</b>	98	
<b>Data quality (%) – <i>Falco vespertinus</i></b>		
□ unknown □ poor ■ medium ■ good		
<b>1990–2000 trend</b>	82	14 4
<b>1970–1990 trend</b>	98	

<b>2000 population</b>	33	52	15
<b>1990 population</b>	4 8	72 16	
<b>Data quality (%) – <i>Falco tinnunculus</i> (see p. 86, top)</b>			
□ unknown □ poor ■ medium ■ good			
<b>1990–2000 trend</b>	8	31	47 14
<b>1970–1990 trend</b>	7	20	71