

Carduelis carduelis

EUROPEAN GOLDFINCH

Non-SPEC (1994: —) Status Secure

Criteria —

European IUCN Red List Category —

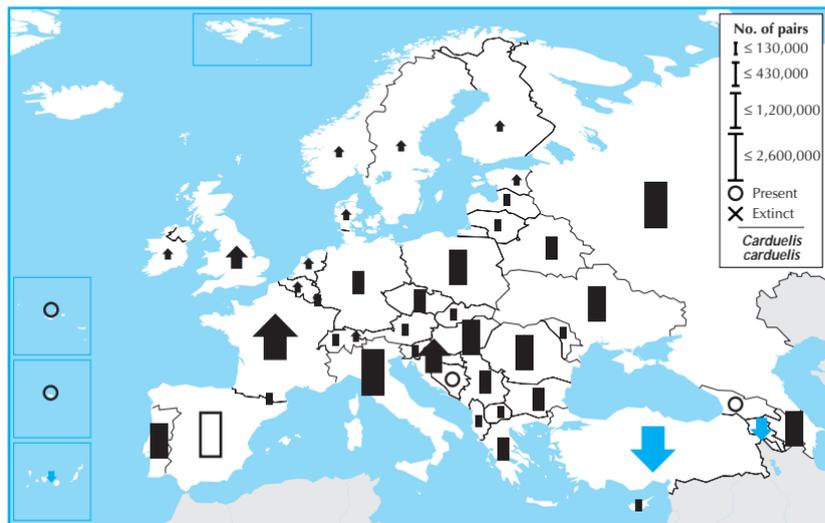
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Carduelis carduelis is a widespread resident across most of Europe, which accounts for less than half of its global range. Its European breeding population is extremely large (>12,000,000 pairs), and was stable between 1970–1990. Although there were declines in a few countries—notably Turkey—during 1990–2000, populations were stable or increased across the vast majority of Europe, and the species underwent a slight increase overall. Consequently, it is evaluated as Secure.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag. %	References
Albania	20,000 – 50,000	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Andorra	(400 – 1,000)	99–01	(0)	(0–19)	1,3
Armenia	150,000 – 300,000	00–02	–	0–9	
Austria	(25,000 – 50,000)	98–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Azerbaijan	(500,000 – 1,000,000)	96–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Belarus	180,000 – 200,000	97–02	0	0–19	
Belgium	2,500 – 10,000	01–02	+	0–19	1
Bosnia & HG	Present	90–03	?	–	
Bulgaria	200,000 – 600,000	96–02	0	0–9	
Croatia	(500,000 – 1,000,000)	02	(+)	(>80)	16
Cyprus	(50,000 – 150,000)	94–02	(0)	(0–9)	
Czech Rep.	200,000 – 400,000	00	0	0–19	
Denmark	30,000 – 50,000	00	+	>80	12
Estonia	(20,000 – 30,000)	98	+	20–29	1
Finland	10,000 – 20,000	98–02	+	150	
France	(1,000,000 – 5,000,000)	00	+	26	1,2
Georgia	Present	03	?	–	
Germany	300,000 – 600,000	95–99	0	0–19	
Greece	(100,000 – 500,000)	95–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Hungary	690,000 – 910,000	99–02	0	0–19	19
Ireland	20,000 – 100,000	88–91	+	20–29	
Italy	(1,000,000 – 2,000,000)	03	(0)	(0–19)	
Latvia	15,000 – 50,000	90–00	0	0–19	23,16,2
Liechtenstein	30 – 60	98–00	+	0–19	
Lithuania	(50,000 – 100,000)	99–01	(0)	(0–19)	20
Luxembourg	6,000 – 8,000	02	0	0–19	
Macedonia	(10,000 – 50,000)	90–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Moldova	40,000 – 45,000	90–00	0	0–19	
Netherlands	15,000 – 20,000	98–00	+	116	1
Norway	(1,000 – 5,000)	90–02	+	0–19	49
Poland	400,000 – 800,000	00–02	0	0–19	23
Portugal	(500,000 – 2,500,000)	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Azores	Present	02	?	–	
Madeira	Present	02	?	–	
Romania	887,000 – 964,000	99–02	0	0–19	48
Russia	1,000,000 – 2,000,000	90–00	(0)	(0–19)	122
Serbia & MN	250,000 – 350,000	90–02	0	0–19	1,29,172a,67a,78,227,225,117a,164
Slovakia	100,000 – 150,000	90–99	0	0–19	
Slovenia	50,000 – 60,000	94	(0)	(0–19)	
Spain	(800,000 – 2,900,000)	92	?	–	13,12,15,10
Canary Is.	(2,500 – 10,000)	97–03	(–)	(0–19)	28,25
Sweden	5,000 – 10,000	99–00	+	10–19	
Switzerland	20,000 – 50,000	93–96	0	0–19	
Turkey	(1,500,000 – 4,500,000)	01	(–)	(0–19)	
Ukraine	560,000 – 720,000	90–00	0	5–9	
UK	313,000 – 313,000	00	+	36	5,31

Total (approx.) Breeding range 12,000,000 – 29,000,000 >7,000,000 km²

Overall trend Small increase
Gen. length <3.3 % Global pop. 25–49
(See p. 270, bottom, for data quality graph)