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Table 1. Reported national breeding population size and trends in Europe¹.

Country (or territory) ²	Population estimate				Short-term population trend ⁴				Long-term population trend ⁴				Subspecific population (where relevant)
	Size (pairs) ³	Europe (%)	Year(s)	Quality	Direction ⁵	Magnitude (%) ⁶	Year(s)	Quality	Direction ⁵	Magnitude (%) ⁶	Year(s)	Quality	
Albania	100-600	<1	2002-2012	medium	0	0	2002-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	poor	
Armenia	800-1,000	1	2002-2012	medium	?				?				
Austria	700-1,000	1	2001-2012	medium	-	20-40	2001-2012	medium	?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Azerbaijan	5,000-10,000	4	2014	poor	0.0	0	2000-2014	poor	0.0	0	1980-2014	poor	
Belarus	2,000-2,400	1	2001-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	medium	
Belgium	860-1,630	1	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2000-2012	poor	+	8-151	1973-2012	poor	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Bosnia & HG	1,000-2,000	1	2010-2014	poor	-	1-10	2001-2012	poor	-	5-10	1980-2013	poor	
Bulgaria	500-1,500	1	2005-2012	medium	?				?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Croatia	5,000-10,000	4	2013	poor	?				?				
Cyprus	50-150	<1	2008-2012	good	0	0	2001-2012	medium	+	50-150	1980-2012	medium	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Czech Rep.	2,000-4,000	2	2012	medium	F	0	2000-2012	good	+	29-124	1982-2012	good	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Denmark	1,700	1	2011	medium	0	0	1999-2011	good	0	0	1980-2011	good	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Estonia	20-40	<1	2008-2012	poor	0	0-10	2001-2012	poor	+	20-50	1980-2012	poor	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Finland	1-20	<1	2006-2012	medium	?				0	0	1980-2010	medium	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
France	10,000-20,000	9	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	medium	?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Georgia	Present	<1			?				?				
Germany	12,000-19,000	9	2005-2009	good	+	11-40	1998-2009	medium	0	0	1985-2009	medium	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Greece	1,500-2,000	1	2008-2012	poor	0	0	2001-2012	poor	?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Hungary	3,300-5,000	3	2000-2012	poor	?				?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Rep. Ireland	3,438-6,875	3	2008-2011	medium	?				?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Italy	3,000-4,000	2	2003	poor	?				?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Kosovo	250-500	<1	2009-2014	medium	?				?				
Latvia	77-154	<1	2000-2004	good	?				?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Liechtenstein	4-8	<1	2009-2014	good	+	30-50	2003-2014	good	F	3-8	1980-2014	medium	
Lithuania	2,000-3,000	2	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	medium	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Luxembourg	90-100	<1	2008-2012	medium	+	10-30	2000-2012	medium	+	60-80	1980-2012	medium	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
FYRO Macedonia	250-500	<1	2001-2012	poor	?				?				
Malta	2	<1	2011	good	+	100	2006-2012	good	+	100	2006-2012	good	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Moldova	0-10	<1	2001-2012	medium	-	40-60	2000-2010	medium	-	30-50	1980-2010	medium	
Montenegro	800-1,200	1	2002-2012	good	-		2002-2012	good	?				
Netherlands	1,985-2,757	1	2008-2011	medium	-	10-30	2002-2011	good	+	70-111	1980-2011	good	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Norway	24-42	<1	2000-2013	poor	?				+	25-50	1973-2013	good	

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Poland	7,500-10,000	5	1992-2004	medium	?				?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Portugal	1,000-5,000	1	2008-2012	poor	+	100-200	2001-2012	medium	+	200-300	1980-2012	medium	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Romania	6,000-12,000	5	2008-2013	medium	0	0	2000-2012	poor	0	0	1980-2012	poor	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Russia	2,000-5,200	2	2000-2003	poor	?				0	0	1980-2012	medium	
Serbia	3,500-5,000	3	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2000-2012	medium	+	1-9	1980-2012	medium	
Slovakia	1,000-3,000	1	2002	medium	0	0	2000-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	medium	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Slovenia	500-1,000	<1	2002-2012	medium	?				?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Spain	31,000	19	2007	good	-	45	1998-2011	good	?				T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Sweden	130-270	<1	2008-2012	medium	-	30-70	2001-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	medium	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
Switzerland	500-800	<1	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	good	-	10-35	1990-2012	medium	
Turkey	10,000-15,000	8	2013	medium	0	0	2000-2012	poor	-	0-19	1990-2013	medium	
Ukraine	3,500-11,000	4	2000	poor	F	10-20	1998-2010	medium	F	20-30	1980-2010	medium	
United Kingdom	3,900-7,800	3	2009	medium	-	5	1998-2010	good	+	14	1980-2010	good	T. r. ruficollis, Europe & North-west Africa
EU27	94,300-143,000	71			Uncertain								
Europe	129,000-208,000	100			Uncertain								

¹ See 'Sources' at end of factsheet, and for more details on individual EU Member State reports, see the Article 12 reporting portal at <http://bd.eionet.europa.eu/article12/report>.

² The designation of geographical entities and the presentation of the material do not imply the expression of any opinion whatsoever on the part of IUCN or BirdLife International concerning the legal status of any country, territory or area, or of its authorities, or concerning the delimitation of its frontiers or boundaries.

³ In the few cases where population size estimates were reported in units other than those specified, they were converted to the correct units using standard correction factors.

⁴ The robustness of regional trends to the effects of any missing or incomplete data was tested using plausible scenarios, based on other sources of information, including any other reported information, recent national Red Lists, scientific literature, other publications and consultation with relevant experts.

⁵ Trend directions are reported as: increasing (+); decreasing (-); stable (0); fluctuating (F); or unknown (?).

⁶ Trend magnitudes are rounded to the nearest integer.

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Table 2. Reported national wintering population sizes and trends in Europe¹. Note that some countries within the species' wintering range did not report any data, and that only minimum totals are presented, to avoid double-counting of birds moving between countries.

Country (or territory) ²	Population estimate				Short-term population trend ⁴				Long-term population trend ⁴				Subspecific population (where relevant)
	Size (individuals) ³	Europe (%)	Year(s)	Quality	Direction ⁵	Magnitude (%) ⁶	Year(s)	Quality	Direction ⁵	Magnitude (%) ⁶	Year(s)	Quality	
Albania	100-2,100	<1	2002-2012	good	0	0	2002-2012	medium	+	10-20	1980-2012	poor	
Armenia	67-201	<1	2003-2013	good	?				?				
Azerbaijan	10,000-50,000	24	2014	medium	0.0	0	2000-2014	medium	0.0	0	1980-2014	medium	
Belarus	10-50	<1	2009-2013	good	0	0	2000-2012	medium	-	75-90	1980-2012	medium	
Belgium	1,293-1,624	2	2008-2012	good	-	0-2	2001-2012	good	+	3-4	1992-2012	good	
Bosnia & HG	500-3,000	1	2008-2013	medium	F	10-30	2000-2013	medium	?				
Bulgaria	400-1,500	1	2008-2011	good	+	15-50	1999-2011	medium	F	10-30	1980-2012	medium	
Croatia	2,000-3,000	3	2011	medium	?				?				
Cyprus	160-750	<1	2008-2012	good	0	0	2001-2012	medium	+	50-150	1980-2012	poor	
Georgia	Present	<1	2012		?				?				
Germany	8,001-20,000	13	2000-2005	medium	F	0	1997-2009	good	+	27-84	1984-2009	good	
Greece	3,554-7,122	5	2007-2013	medium	0	0	2004-2013	good	?			good	
Rep. Ireland	1,490	2	2006-2011	medium	+	60	1999-2011	good	?				
Kosovo	150-250	<1	2009-2014		?				?				
Latvia	0-20	<1	1999	medium	0	0	2001-2012	medium	0	0	1984-2012	medium	
Lithuania	20-80	<1	2008-2012	medium	?				?				
FYRO Macedonia	300-1,000	1	2001-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	medium	-	80-95	1980-2012	medium	
Malta	5-11	<1	2012	poor	?				+	400-1000	1980-2012	poor	
Moldova	80-280	<1	2000-2010	medium	F	0	2000-2010	medium	F	0	1980-2010	medium	
Montenegro	120-300	<1	2003-2012	good	-		2003-2012	good	-		1991-2012	good	
Netherlands	5,912-7,932	7	2006-2010	medium	+	29-242	2000-2011	good	+	5-166	1981-2011	good	
Norway	120	<1	1994-2003	medium	?				?				
Romania	1,000-2,000	1	2008-2013	medium	0	0	2000-2013	medium	?				
Serbia	1,000-4,000	2	2008-2012	medium	?				?				
Slovakia	1,100-1,200	1	2001	medium	?				?				
Slovenia	1,000-1,700	1	2008-2012	medium	+	20-30	2001-2012	good	?				
Spain	5,393-6,855	6	2008-2010	good	-	11	2000-2010	good	+	7	1980-2009	good	
Switzerland	2,661-3,580	3	2008-2012	good	+	7-14	2001-2012	good	+	8-10	1980-2012	good	
Turkey	1,488-20,957	6	2002-2012	good	0	0	2002-2012	poor	?				
Ukraine	500-1,000	1	2000	medium	F	10-30	1998-2009	medium	F	20-30	1980-2009	medium	
United Kingdom	17,000	18	2004-2008	medium	-	14	1999-2010	good	+	64	1989-2010	good	

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EU27	46,300-69,300	56			Fluctuating								
Europe	65,400-159,000	100			Fluctuating								

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Trend maps

A symbol appears in each country where the species occurs: the shape and colour of the symbol represent the population trend in that country, and the size of the symbol corresponds to the proportion of the European population occurring in that country.

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|---|----------------------------------|
| ↑ Large increase ($\geq 50\%$) | ↓ Large decrease ($\geq 50\%$) |
| ↑ Moderate increase (20–49%) | ↓ Moderate decrease (20–49%) |
| ↑ Small increase ($< 20\%$) | ↓ Small decrease ($< 20\%$) |
| ↑ Increase of unknown magnitude | ↓ Decrease of unknown magnitude |
| ■ Stable or fluctuating | |
| □ Unknown | |
| ○ Present (no population or trend data) | |
| × Extinct since 1980 | |

Each symbol, with the exception of Present and Extinct, may occur in up to three different size classes, corresponding to the proportion of the European population occurring in that country.

- ↑ Large: $\geq 10\%$ of the European population
- ↑ Medium: 1–9% of the European population
- ↑ Small: $< 1\%$ of the European population

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Figure 1. Breeding population sizes and short-term trends across Europe.

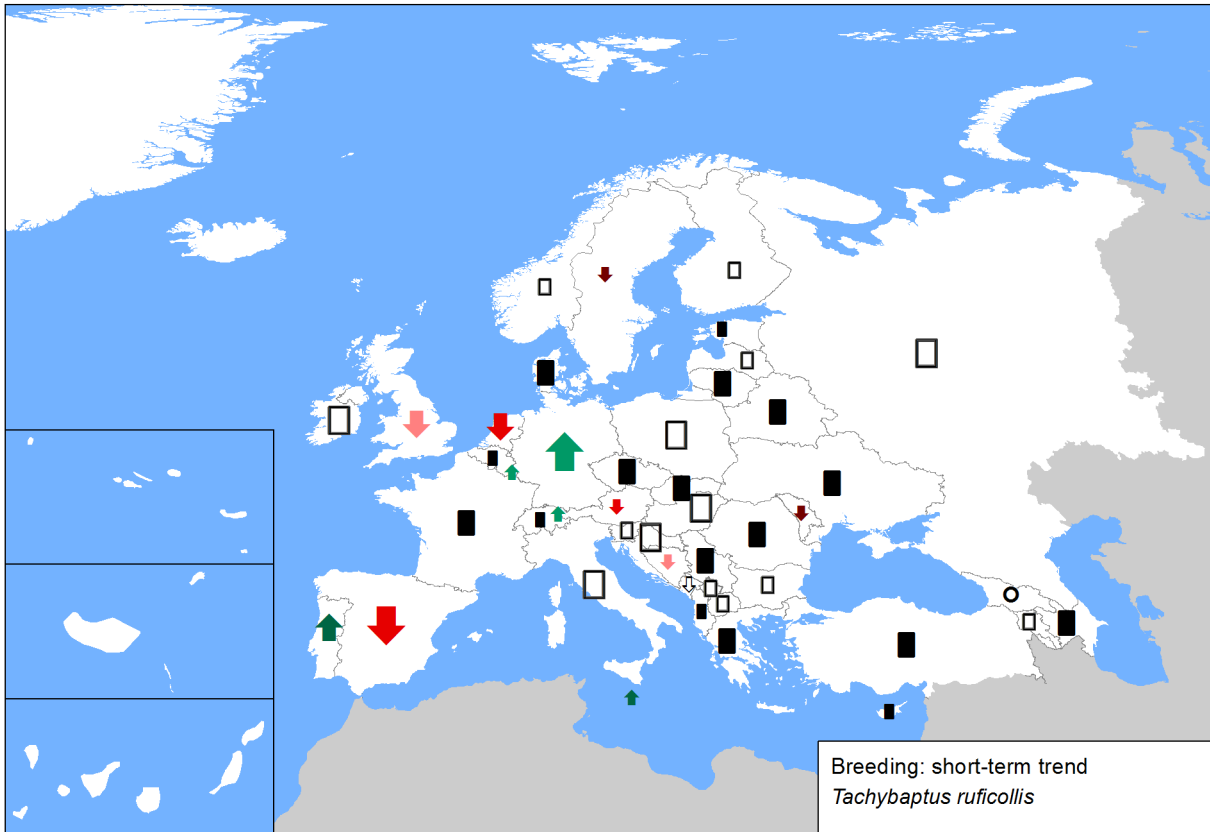


Figure 2. Breeding population sizes and long-term trends across Europe.

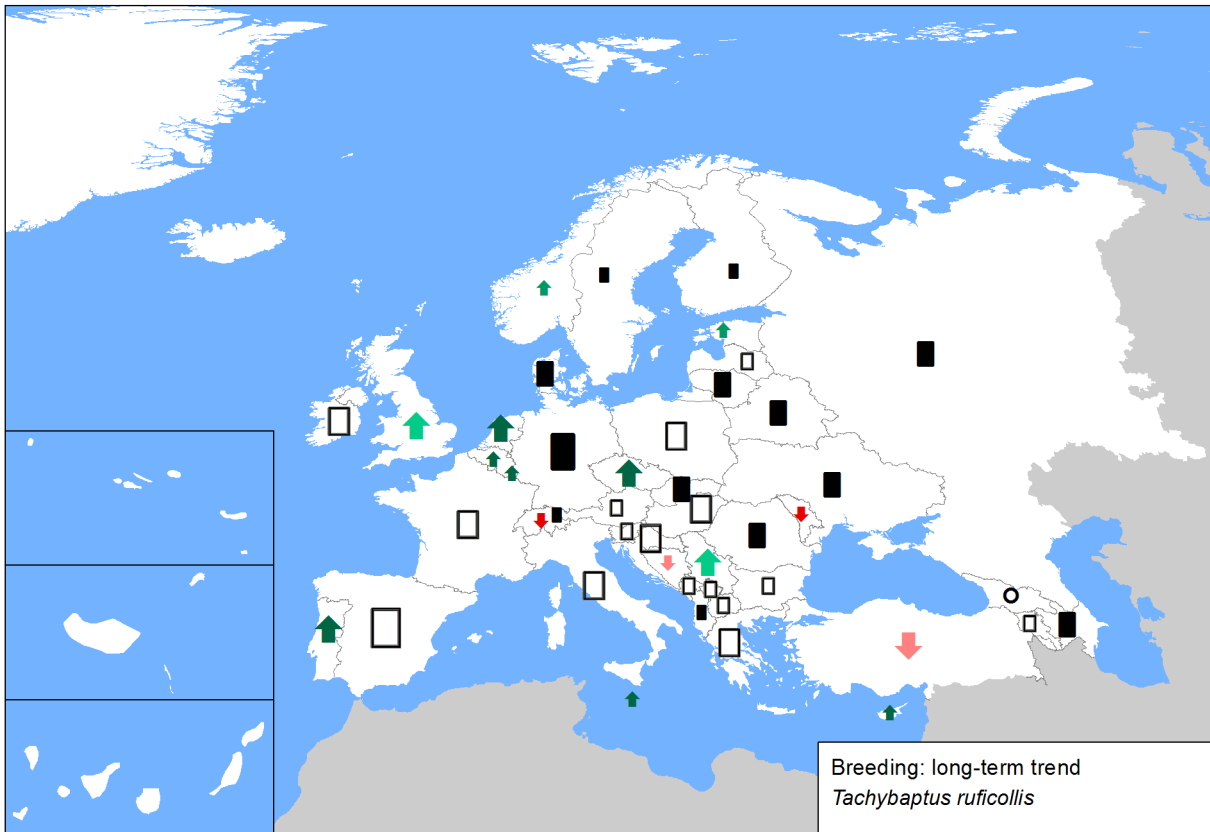


Figure 3. Reported wintering population sizes and short-term trends across Europe. Note that some countries within the species' wintering range did not report any data.

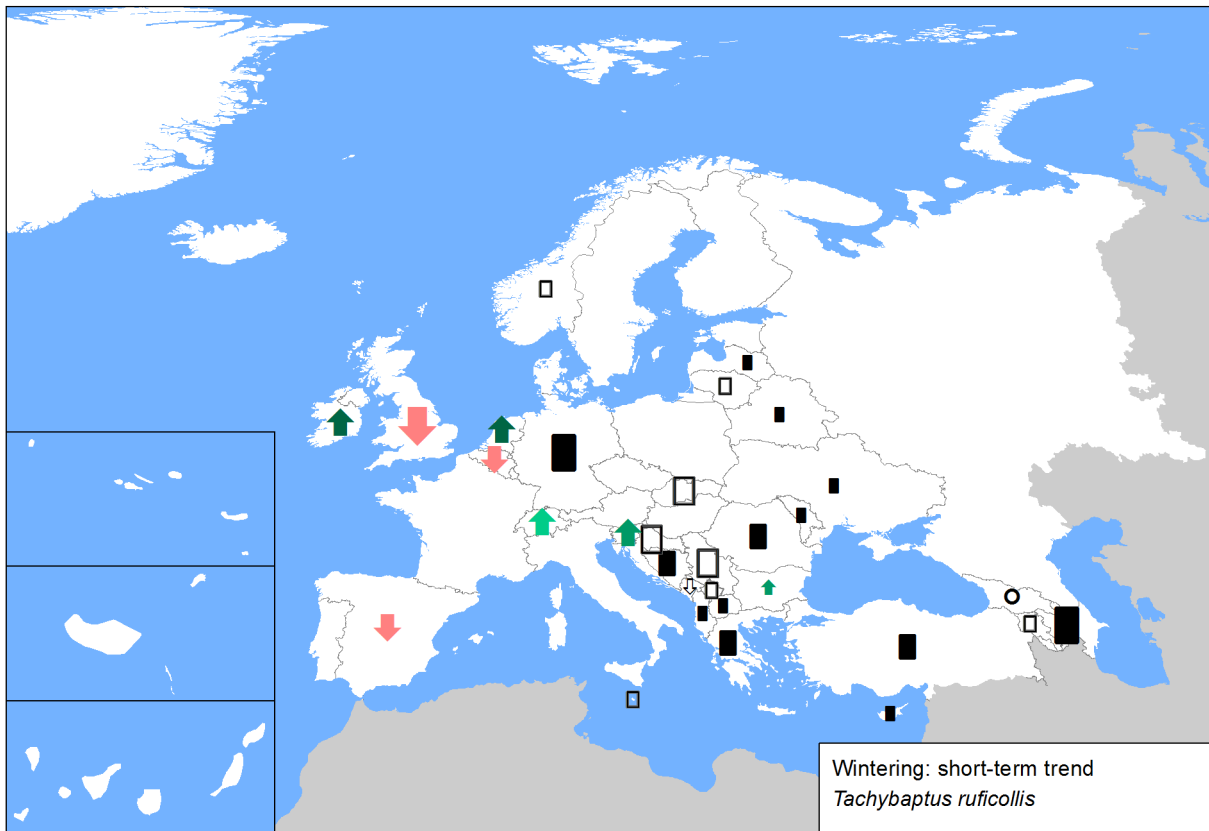
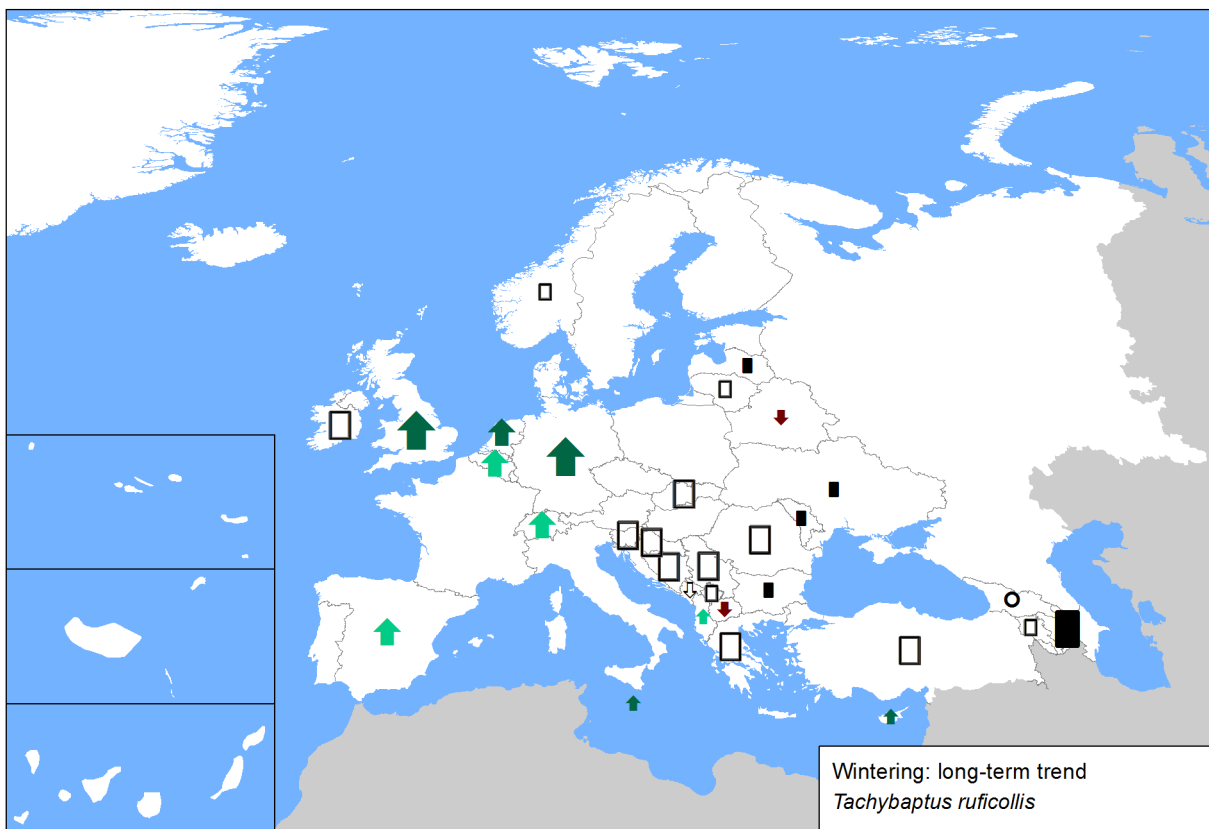


Figure 4. Reported wintering population sizes and long-term trends across Europe. Note that some countries within the species' wintering range did not report any data.



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Armenia

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