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Hirundo rustica (Barn Swallow)

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Further information

- <http://www.birdlife.org/datazone/info/euroredlist>
- <http://www.birdlife.org/europe-and-central-asia/european-red-list-birds-0>
- <http://www.iucnredlist.org/initiatives/europe>
- <http://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/conservation/species/redlist/>

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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	15,000-30,000	<1	2002-2012	medium	-	10-20	2002-2012	medium	-	20-25	1980-2012	medium	
Andorra	15-20	<1	1999-2001	good	?				?				
Armenia	200,000-450,000	1	2002-2012	medium	?				?				
Austria	60,000-90,000	<1	2001-2012	medium	0	0	2000-2011	medium	?				
Azerbaijan	250,000-500,000	1	1996-2000	poor	?				?				
Belarus	1,000,000-1,500,000	4	2000-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	medium	
Belgium	80,000-140,000	<1	2008-2012	poor	0	0	2000-2012	medium	0	0	1973-2012	medium	
Bosnia & HG	100,000-140,000	<1	2010-2014	poor	?				?				
Bulgaria	300,000-800,000	1	2005-2012	medium	-	2-39	2001-2012	good	0	0	1980-2012	poor	
Croatia	500,000-1,000,000	2	2014	poor	?				?				
Cyprus	75,000-175,000	<1	2008-2013	poor	-	25-40	2001-2013	medium	?				
Czech Rep.	272,000-544,000	1	2012	medium	-	3-37	2000-2012	good	-	16-56	1982-2012	good	
Denmark	230,000	1	2011	medium	+	18	1999-2011	good	0	0	1980-2011	good	
DK: Faroe Is	2-5	<1	2014	medium	?				?				
Estonia	100,000-200,000	<1	2008-2012	poor	-	20-50	2001-2012	poor	-	20-50	1980-2012	poor	
Finland	100,000-160,000	<1	2006-2012	good	-	29-50	2001-2012	good	-	26-46	1983-2012	good	
France	900,000-1,700,000	4	2008-2012	medium	?				-	34	1989-2011	poor	
Georgia	Present	<1			?				?				
Germany	455,000-870,000	2	2005-2009	good	-	5-17	1998-2009	good	-	9-57	1990-2009	good	
Greece	350,000-500,000	1	2007-2013	medium	0	0	2007-2013	medium	?				
Hungary	89,000-102,000	<1	1999-2012	medium	-	57	1999-2011	medium	-	50-60	1990-2012	poor	
Rep. Ireland	2,038,095-3,954,947	7	2006-2011	good	0	0	1998-2011	good	?				
Italy	500,000-1,000,000	2	2007	poor	0	0	2000-2012	medium	-		1980-2012	poor	
Kosovo	70,000-90,000	<1	2009-2014	medium	?				?				
Latvia	177,390-334,513	1	2012	good	+	20-90	2001-2012	medium	+	99-491	1995-2012	medium	
Liechtenstein	70-100	<1	2009-2014	medium	0	0	2003-2014	medium	-	20-40	1980-2014	medium	
Lithuania	150,000-250,000	1	2008-2012	medium	-	5-10	2001-2012	medium	-	10-20	1980-2012	medium	
Luxembourg	6,000-8,000	<1	2008-2012	medium	-	10-30	2000-2012	medium	-	30-50	1980-2012	medium	
FYRO Macedonia	20,000-50,000	<1	2001-2012	poor	?				?				
Malta	2-6	<1	2009	medium	+	100-500	2004-2012	medium	+	100-500	2004-2012	medium	
Moldova	15,000-20,000	<1	2000-2010	medium	F	0	2000-2010	medium	F	0	1980-2010	medium	
Montenegro	30,000-40,000	<1	2002-2012	poor	?				?				

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Netherlands	232,000-276,000	1	2011	good	+	10-60	2002-2011	medium	0	0	1984-2011	medium	
Norway	30,000-50,000	<1	2000-2013	poor	0	0	2008-2013	good	0	0	1980-2013	good	
Poland	1,600,000-2,200,000	5	2008-2012	good	-	4-10	2000-2012	good	?				
Portugal	100,000-500,000	1	2008-2012	medium	+	16-42	2004-2011	medium	?				
Romania	500,000-1,000,000	2	2010-2013	medium	-	5-31	2001-2013	medium	?				
Russia	2,200,000-7,250,000	11	2000-2008	medium	0	0	2000-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	medium	
Serbia	150,000-230,000	1	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2000-2012	medium	-	1-9	1980-2012	medium	
Slovakia	200,000-400,000	1	2002	medium	-	5-15	2000-2012	medium	-	10-25	1980-2012	medium	
Slovenia	180,000-290,000	1	2002-2012	good	+	10-20	2001-2012	medium	?				
Spain	12,825,000-16,635,000	37	2004-2006	good	-	41	1998-2011	good	-		1980-2011	good	
ES: Canary Is	2-3	<1	2000-2002	medium	F	0	2001-2012	poor	+		1980-2012	poor	
Sweden	111,000-256,000	1	2008-2012	medium	+	2-24	2001-2012	good	+	13-55	1980-2012	good	
Switzerland	60,000-90,000	<1	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	good	-	4-34	1990-2012	medium	
Turkey	1,000,000-2,500,000	5	2013	medium	-	0-19	2000-2012	poor	0	0-19	1990-2013	poor	
Ukraine	870,000-1,300,000	3	2000	medium	-	10-20	1998-2010	medium	-	10-25	1980-2010	medium	
United Kingdom	860,000	2	2009	medium	+	21	1998-2010	good	+	17	1980-2010	good	
EU27	22,500,000-33,500,000	73		Decreasing									
Europe	29,000,000-48,700,000	100		Decreasing									

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.

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.

KEY

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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.

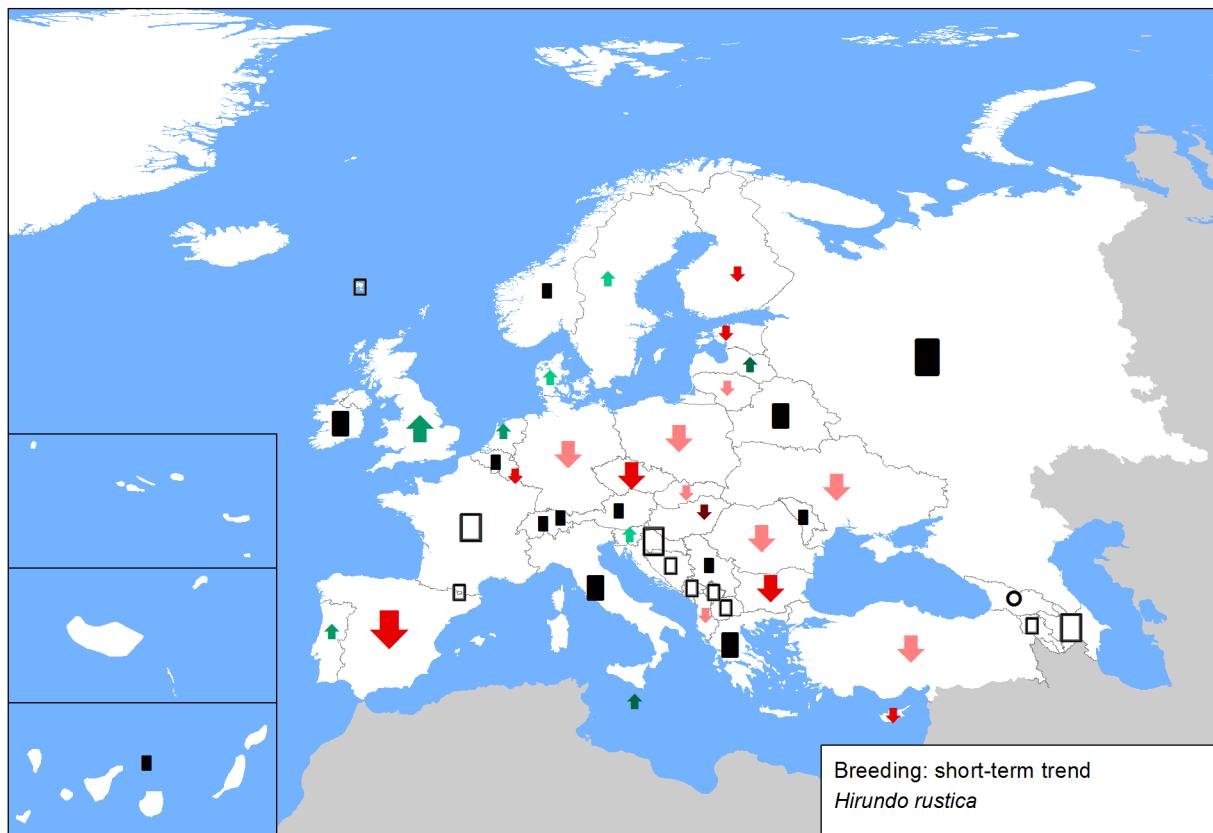
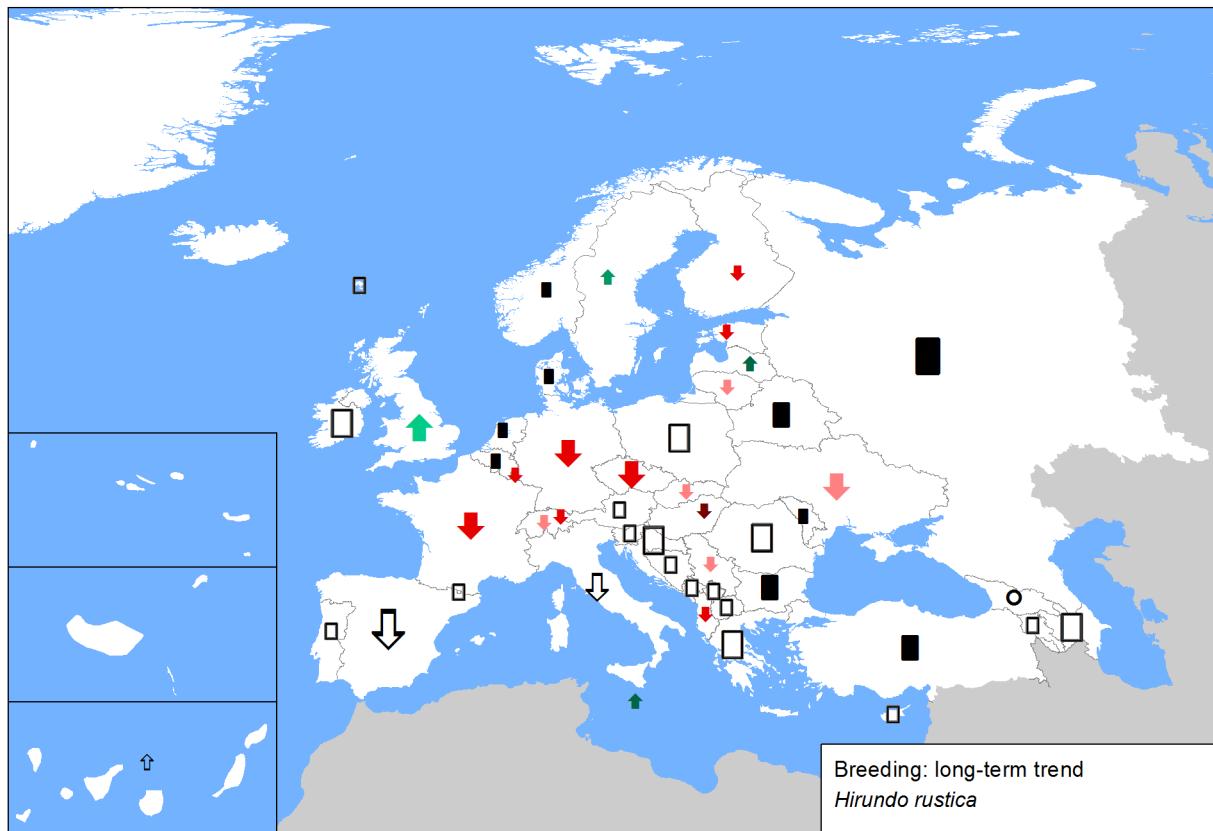


Figure 2. Breeding population sizes and long-term trends across Europe.



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