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## ***Acrocephalus scirpaceus (Eurasian Reed-warbler)***

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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>
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**Table 1.** Reported national breeding population size and trends in Europe<sup>1</sup>.

Country (or territory) <sup>2</sup>	Population estimate				Short-term population trend <sup>4</sup>				Long-term population trend <sup>4</sup>				Subspecific population (where relevant)
	Size (pairs) <sup>3</sup>	Europe (%)	Year(s)	Quality	Direction <sup>5</sup>	Magnitude (%) <sup>6</sup>	Year(s)	Quality	Direction <sup>5</sup>	Magnitude (%) <sup>6</sup>	Year(s)	Quality	
Albania	1,000-3,000	<1	2002-2012	poor	0	0	2002-2012	poor	0	0	1980-2012	poor	
Armenia	30,000-120,000	2	2002-2012	medium	?				?				
Austria	50,000-65,000	2	2001-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	medium	?				
Azerbaijan	1,000-10,000	<1	1996-2000	poor	?				?				
Belarus	15,000-25,000	1	2001-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	medium	
Belgium	10,000-15,000	<1	2008-2012	poor	0	0	2000-2012	medium	+	113-219	1973-2012	medium	
Bosnia & HG	300-500	<1	2010-2014	poor	?				?				
Bulgaria	5,000-10,000	<1	2005-2012	medium	+	10-20	2001-2012	medium	0	0-10	1980-2012	poor	
Croatia	15,000-30,000	1	2014	poor	?				?				
Cyprus	100-300	<1	2001-2012	poor	?				?				
Czech Rep.	50,000-100,000	2	2012	medium	F	0	2000-2012	good	0	0	1982-2012	good	
Denmark	34,000	1	2011	medium	-	33-50	1999-2011	good	-	20-33	1980-2011	good	
Estonia	10,000-20,000	<1	2008-2012	medium	0	0-10	2001-2012	medium	0	0-10	1980-2012	medium	
Finland	20,000-30,000	1	2006-2010	medium	-	39-74	2001-2012	good	-	6-55	1983-2012	good	
France	35,000-70,000	2	2008-2012	medium	?				-	15	1989-2012	poor	
Georgia	Present	<1			?				?				
Germany	110,000-180,000	5	2005-2009	good	F	0	1998-2009	good	+	31-100	1990-2009	medium	
Greece	20,000-30,000	1	2007-2013	medium	?				?				
Hungary	70,000-137,000	3	2000-2012	medium	-	30	1999-2012	medium	?				
Rep. Ireland	65-100	<1	2008-2011	medium	+	5-82	1997-2011	medium	+	1200-1900	1981-2011	medium	
Italy	30,000-60,000	1	2010	poor	-	15-25	2000-2012	poor	-	15-25	1990-2012	poor	
Kosovo	50-80	<1	2009-2014	medium	?				?				
Latvia	Present	1	2000	medium	?				?				
Liechtenstein	8-12	<1	2009-2014	medium	0	0	2003-2014	medium	0	0	1980-2014	medium	
Lithuania	20,000-40,000	1	2008-2012	medium	+	5-10	2001-2012	medium	+	5-10	1980-2012	medium	
Luxembourg	200-250	<1	2008-2012	medium	+	0-10	2000-2012	medium	+	0-20	1980-2012	poor	
FYRO Macedonia	2,000-5,000	<1	2001-2012	poor	?				?				
Malta	5-8	<1	2011	good	0	0	2001-2012	good	+	400-700	1977-2012	good	
Moldova	1,000-1,500	<1	2000-2010	medium	F	0	2000-2010	medium	F	0	1980-2010	medium	
Montenegro	160-800	<1	2002-2012	poor	?				?				
Netherlands	156,457-260,762	7	2008-2011	medium	+	6-26	2002-2011	good	0	0	1984-2011	good	
Norway	1,600-2,400	<1	2000-2013	poor	?				?				

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Poland	120,000-190,000	5	2008-2012	good	0	0	2000-2012	good	?				
Portugal	2,500-10,000	<1	2008-2012	poor	-	20-50	2004-2011	medium	0	0	1980-2012	poor	
Romania	127,868-161,130	5	2008-2013	medium	?				?				
Russia	200,000-500,000	11	2002-2006	poor	+	5-30	2000-2012	medium	?				
Serbia	11,000-14,000	<1	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2000-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	medium	
Slovakia	10,000-20,000	<1	2002	medium	0	0	2000-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	medium	
Slovenia	200-300	<1	2002-2012	medium	0	0-10	2001-2012	medium	+	0-10	1980-2012	medium	
Spain	339,500-660,000	16	2004-2006	good	0	0	1998-2012	good	0	0	1980-2012	medium	
Sweden	174,000-405,000	10	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	good	-	32-52	1980-2012	good	
Switzerland	7,000-9,000	<1	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	good	0	0	1990-2012	good	
Turkey	60,000-100,000	3	2013	poor	-	10-19	2000-2012	poor	-	0-19	1990-2013	poor	
Ukraine	280,000-400,000	12	2000	medium	F	10-15	1998-2010	medium	F	10-15	1980-2010	medium	
United Kingdom	100,000-160,000	4	2009	medium	+	21	1998-2010	good	+	97	1980-2010	good	
EU27	1,490,000-2,660,000	70			Stable								
Europe	2,120,000-3,880,000	100			Stable								

<sup>1</sup> 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>.

<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> 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.

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

<sup>6</sup> 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

- |                                  |                                  |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ▲ 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  |

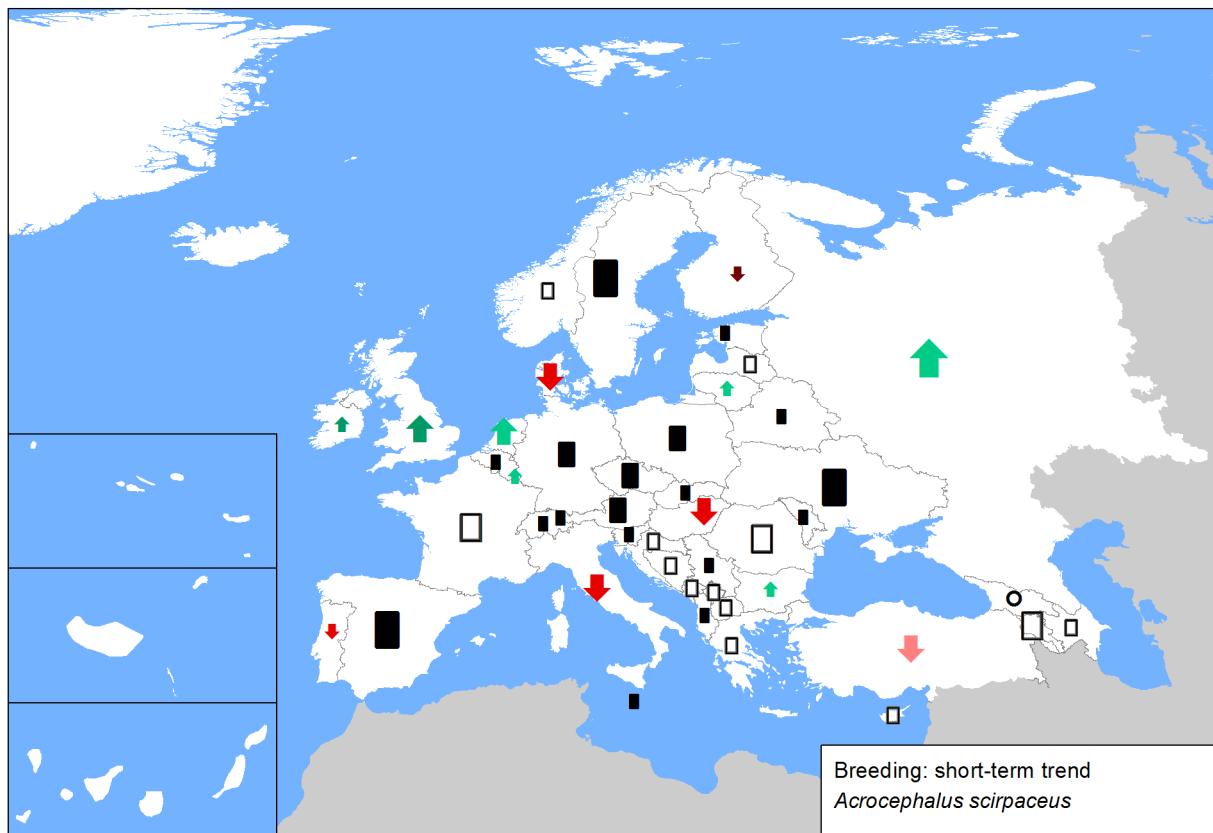
- Stable or fluctuating
- Unknown
- Present (no population or trend data)
- ✗ Extinct since 1980

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.

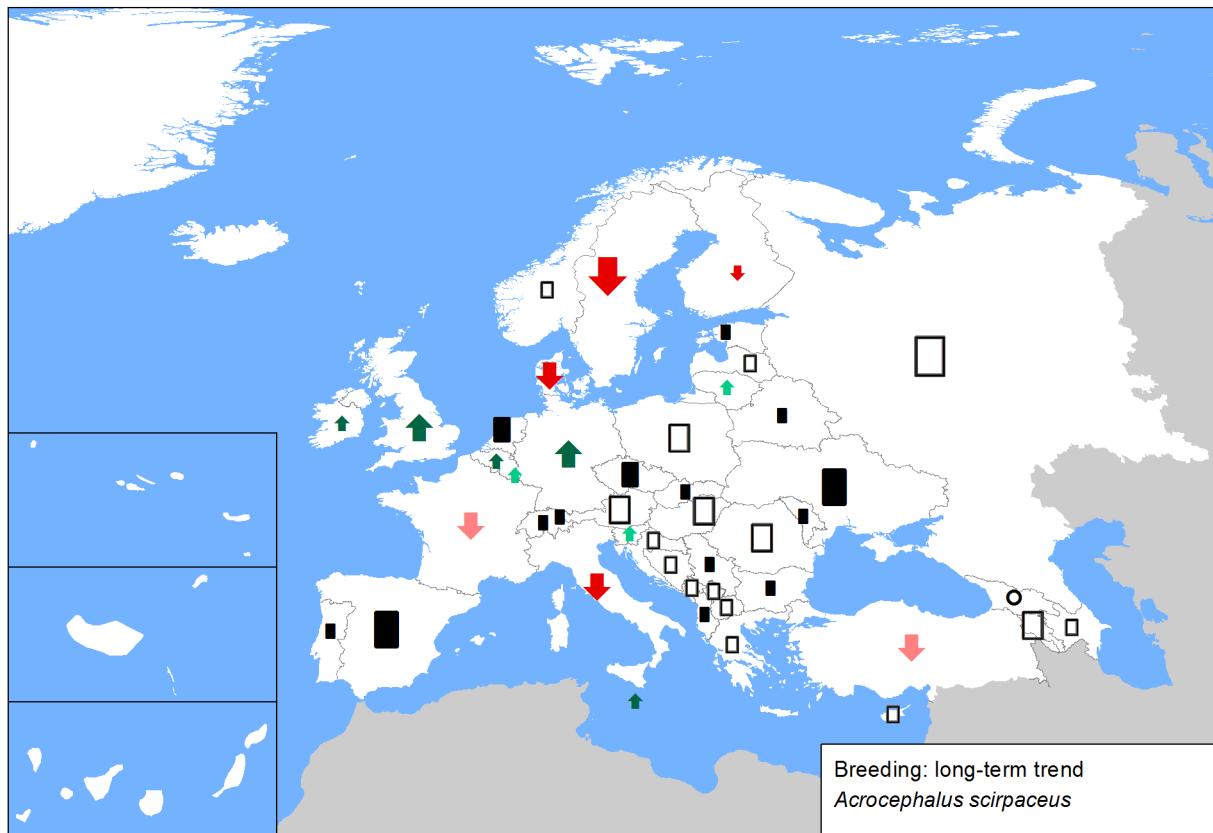
- ↑ Large:  $\geq 10\%$  of the European population
- ↑ Medium: 1–9% of the European population
- ↑ Small: <1% of the European population

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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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