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## ***Haematopus ostralegus* (Eurasian Oystercatcher)**

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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	5-10	<1	2002-2012	medium	-	20-30	2002-2012	medium	-	30-50	1980-2012	poor	
Belarus	300	<1	2001-2012	medium	+	0-30	2001-2012	medium	+	33	1980-2012	medium	
Belgium	1,500-2,000	1	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2000-2012	medium	+	436-669	1973-2012	medium	
Bulgaria	30-67	<1	2005-2012	medium	?				?				
Denmark	7,000	2	2011	medium	-	20-33	1999-2011	good	-	20-33	1980-2011	good	
DK: Faroe Is	10,000	3	2014	medium	?				?				
Estonia	2,500-3,500	1	2008-2012	poor	-	20-50	2001-2012	poor	0	0-10	1980-2012	poor	
Finland	3,400-4,900	1	2006-2012	good	+	1-22	2001-2012	good	+	7-35	1980-2012	good	
France	1,100-1,300	<1	2010-2011	good	+	10-25	1996-2010	poor	+	40-60	1983-2011	poor	
Germany	25,000-33,000	9	2005-2009	good	0	0	1998-2009	medium	0	0	1985-2009	medium	
Greece	60-100	<1	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	medium	-	5-30	1980-2012	poor	
Iceland	10,000-20,000	4	1990	poor	?				?				
Rep. Ireland	2,316-3,087	1	2008-2011	medium	?				?				
Italy	260-330	<1	2009-2013	medium	+	85-120	2002-2013	medium	+	550-730	1983-2013	medium	
Latvia	72-125	<1	2000-2004	good	?				+	4-150	1980-2004	medium	
Lithuania	10-30	<1	2008-2012	medium	-	50-75	2001-2012	medium	+	900-2900	1980-2012	medium	
Montenegro	2-5	<1	2002-2012	medium	-		2002-2012	medium	?				
Netherlands	65,000-87,000	24	2009	good	-	32-37	2002-2011	medium	-	67-72	1984-2011	medium	
Norway	30,000-40,000	11	2013	poor	?				?				
Poland	15-25	<1	2008-2012	good	0	0	1997-2012	medium	+	200-210	1980-2012	medium	
Romania	50-150	<1	2008-2013	medium	+	0-19	2000-2012	poor	+	0-19	1980-2012	poor	
Russia	6,500-15,500	3	2000-2008	medium	-	5-30	2000-2012	medium	-	5-30	1980-2012	medium	
Spain	49-51	<1	2005-2007	good	0	0	1998-2009	good	0	0	1980-2009	medium	
Sweden	8,000-14,000	3	2008-2012	good	-	5-15	2001-2012	good	-	15-35	1980-2012	good	
Turkey	300-500	<1	2013	medium	-	20-29	2000-2012	poor	0	0-19	1990-2013	medium	
Ukraine	650-880	<1	2000	medium	F	10-20	1998-2010	medium	F	10-20	1980-2012	medium	
United Kingdom	110,000	35	2009	medium	-	8	1998-2010	good	+	340	1970-2009	good	
<b>EU27</b>	<b>226,000-267,000</b>	<b>77</b>			<b>Decreasing</b>								
<b>Europe</b>	<b>284,000-354,000</b>	<b>100</b>			<b>Decreasing</b>								

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<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.

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**Table 2.** Reported national wintering population sizes and trends in Europe<sup>1</sup>. 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) <sup>2</sup>	Population estimate				Short-term population trend <sup>4</sup>				Long-term population trend <sup>4</sup>				Subspecific population (where relevant)
	Size (individuals) <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	2-7	<1	2002-2012	good	F	0-100	2002-2012	good	-	30-50	1980-2012	poor	
Denmark	43,000	5	2008	good	0	0	2000-2011	good	+	50-100	1980-2011	good	
DK: Faroe Is	10-50	<1	1992	medium	?				?				
France	48,000-55,000	6	2000-2006	good	-	6-33	1999-2012	good	+	62-93	1980-2012	good	
Georgia	Present	<1	2012		?				?				
Germany	205,000	24	2000-2005	good	-	28-43	1997-2009	good	-	44-60	1987-2009	good	
Greece	100-381	<1	2007-2013	good	0	0	2004-2013	medium	?			medium	
Iceland	Present	<1	2012		?				?				
Rep. Ireland	45,480	5	2006-2011	good	0	0	1999-2011	good	?				
Netherlands	160,387-208,447	21	2006-2010	good	-	23-40	2000-2011	good	-	45-56	1981-2011	good	
Norway	250-350	<1	1994-2003	medium	?				?				
Portugal	800-1,000	<1	2008-2012	medium	0	0	2001-2012	medium	0	0	1980-2012	medium	
Spain	2,960-3,362	<1	2008-2010	good	+	21	2000-2010	good	+	2	1980-2010	good	
Turkey	30-90	<1	2012	poor	0	0	2002-2012	poor	?				
United Kingdom	340,000	39	2004-2008	good	-	17	1999-2010	good	0	0	1980-2010	good	
<b>EU27</b>	<b>846,000-902,000</b>	<b>100</b>			<b>Decreasing</b>								
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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.

### KEY

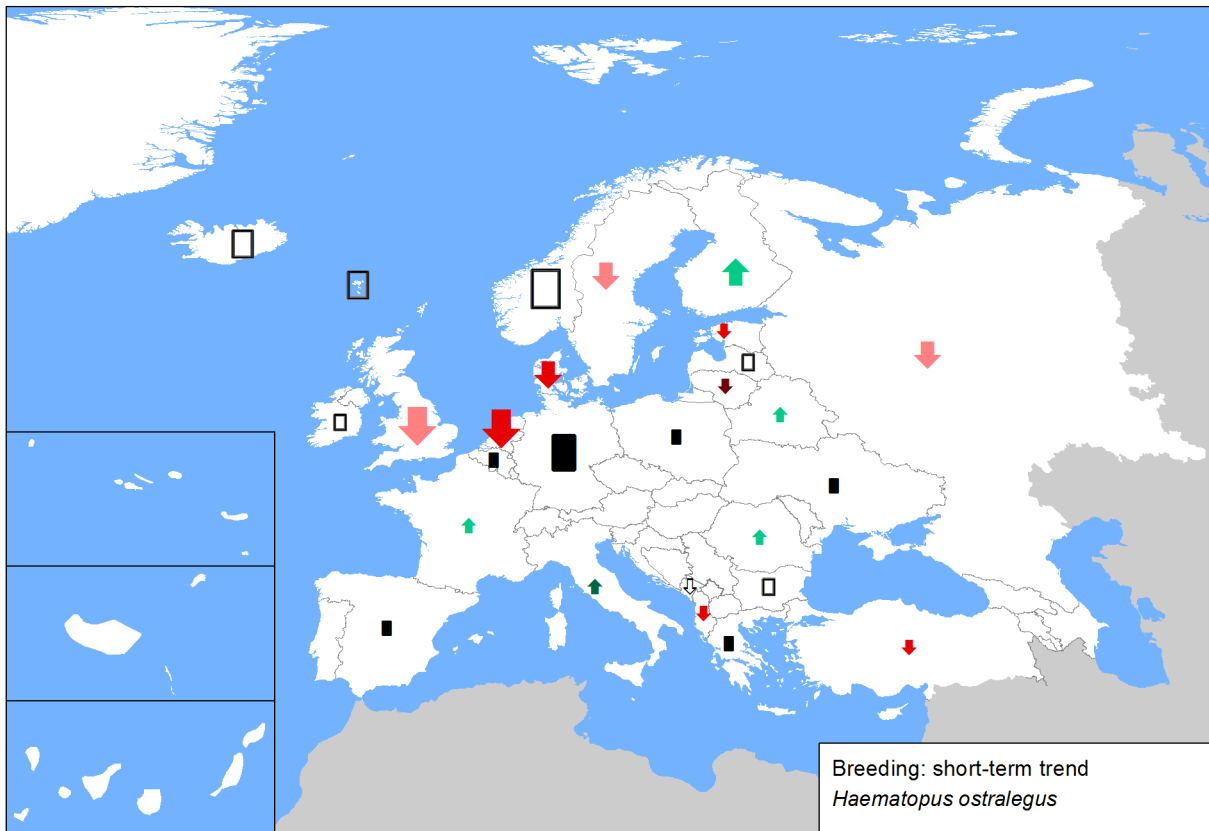
- |   |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|
| ↑ Large increase ( $\geq 50\%$ )        | ↓ Large decrease ( $\geq 50\%$ ) |
| ↑ Moderate increase (20–49%)            | ↓ Moderate decrease (20–49%)     |
| ↑ Small increase ( $< 20\%$ )           | ↓ Small decrease ( $< 20\%$ )    |
| ↑ 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.

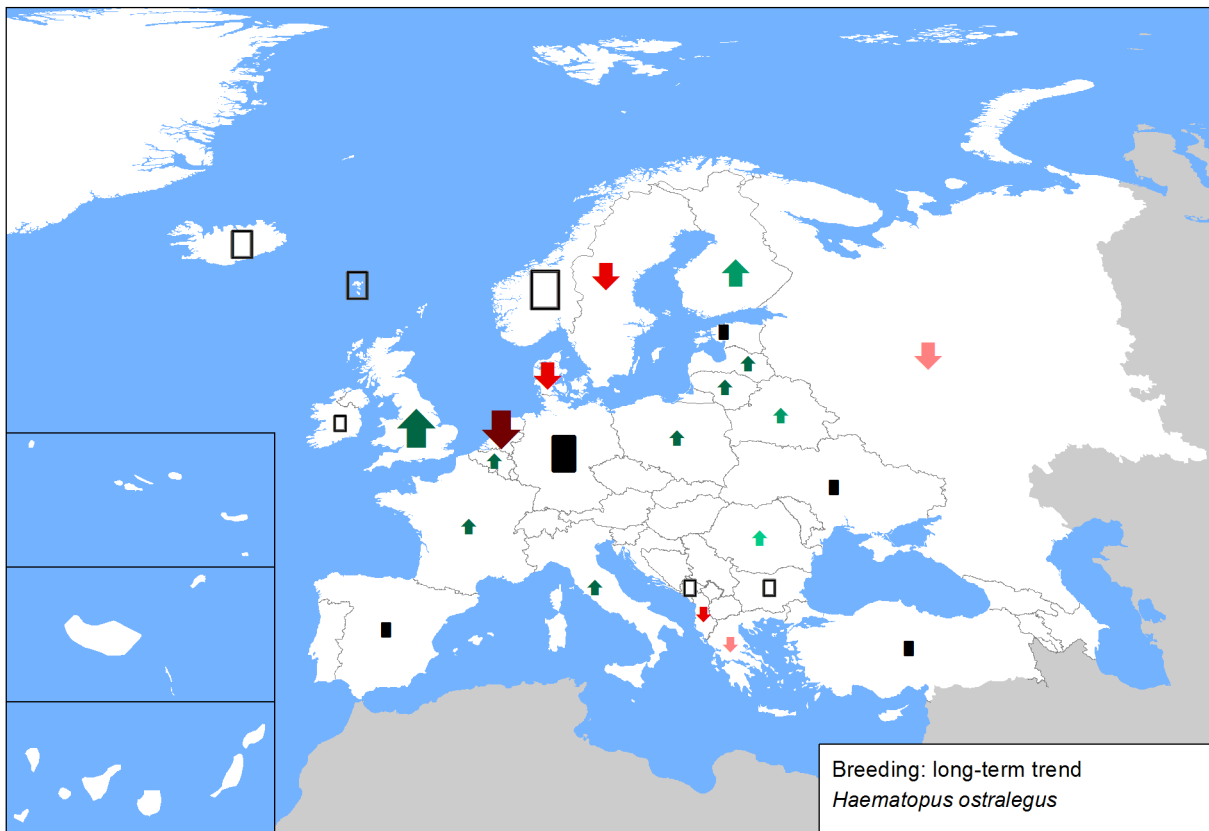
- ↑ Large:  $\geq 10\%$  of the European population
- ↑ Medium: 1–9% of the European population
- ↑ Small:  $< 1\%$  of the European population

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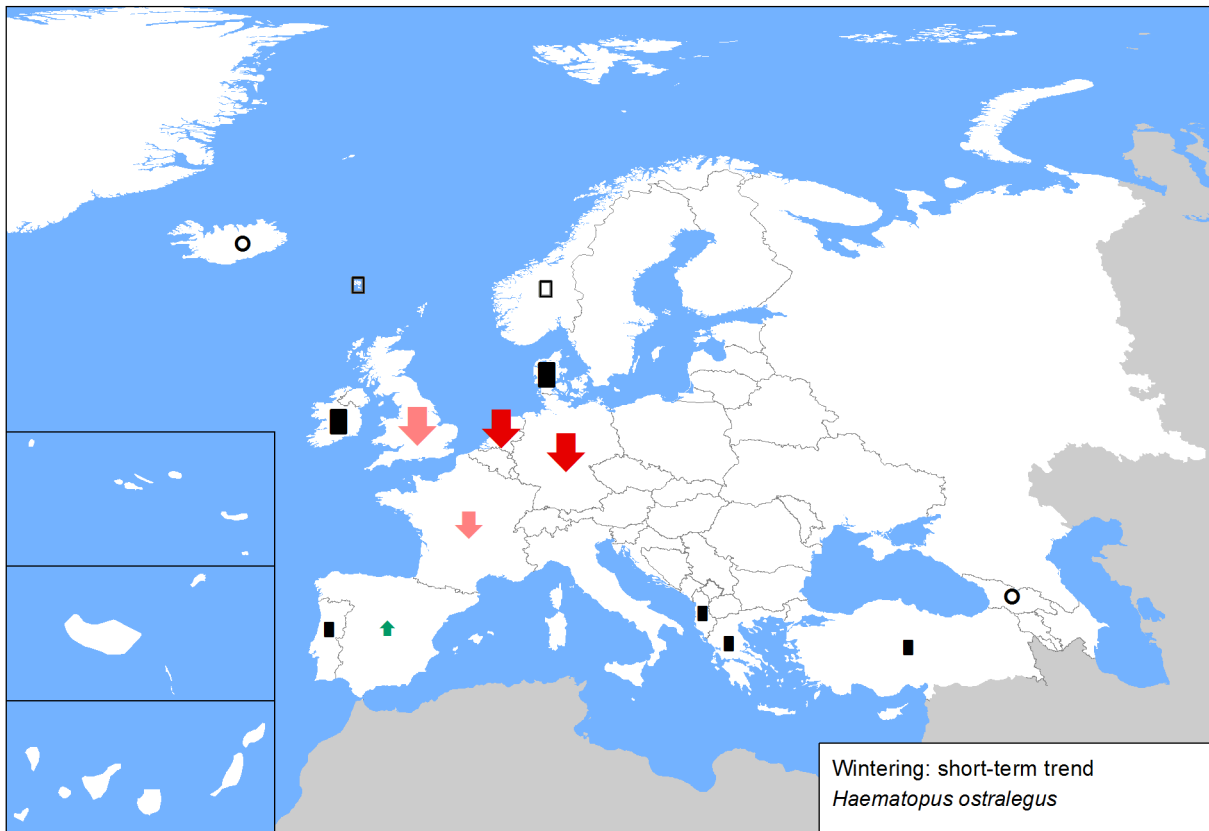
**Figure 1.** Breeding population sizes and short-term trends across Europe.



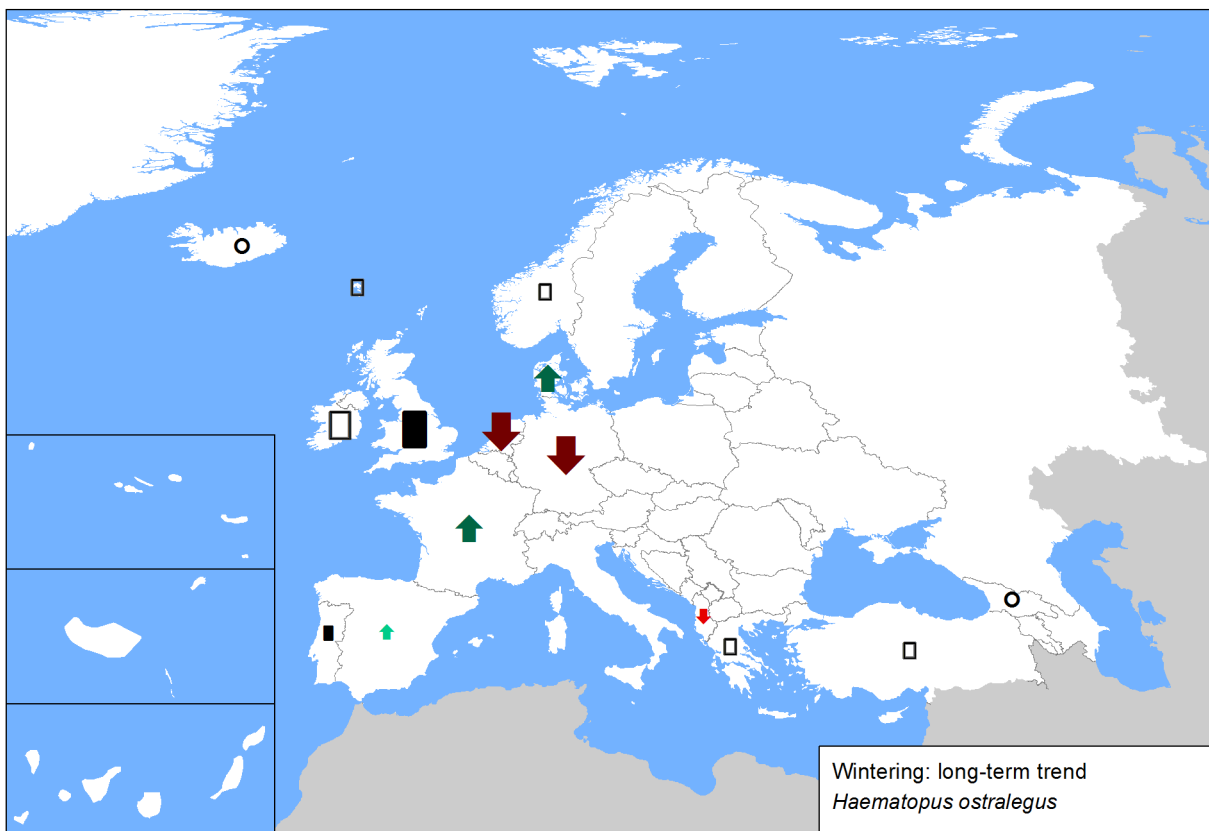
**Figure 2.** Breeding population sizes and long-term trends across Europe.



**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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