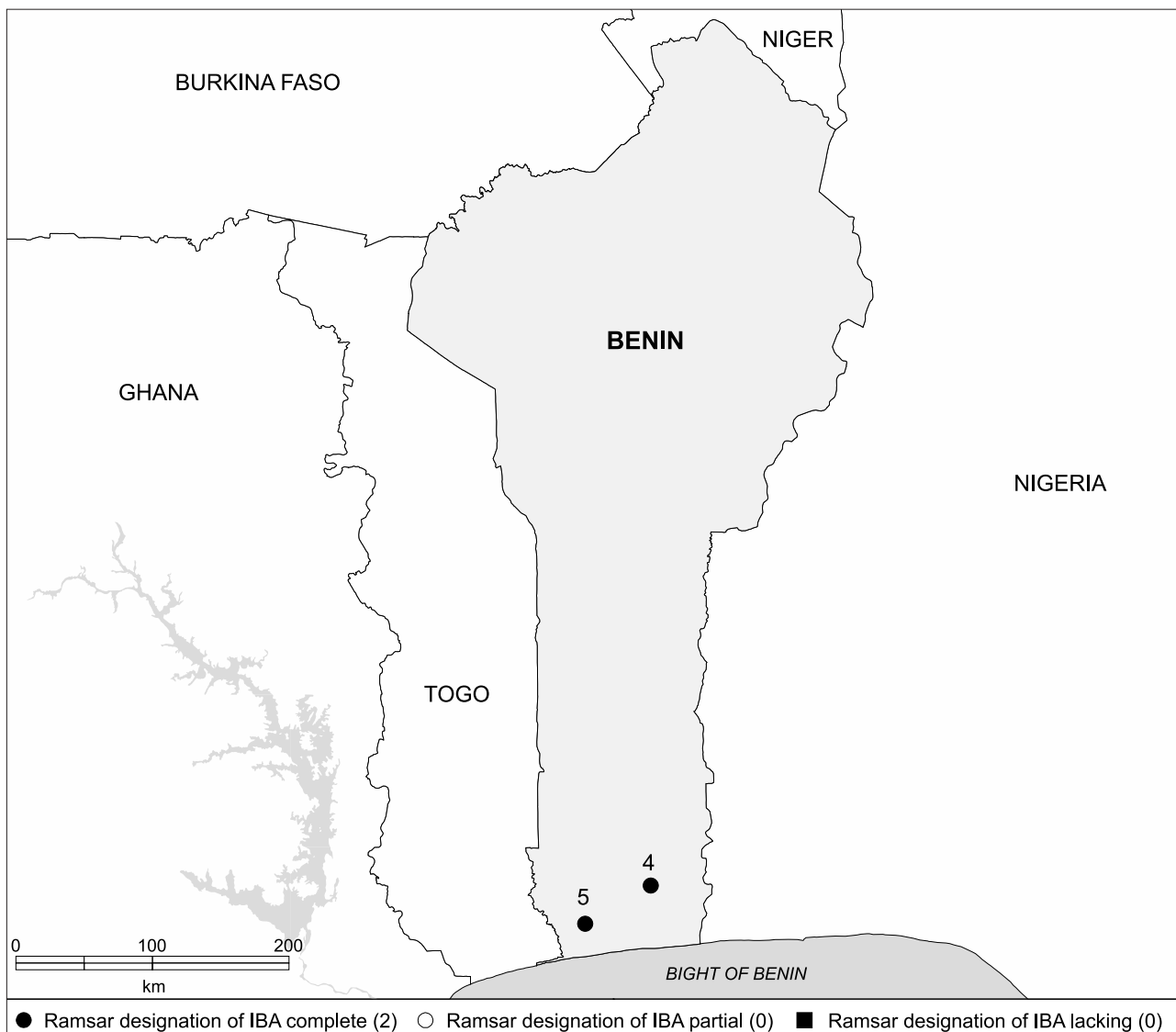


Location of Important Bird Areas that contain areas which qualify as Ramsar Sites in Benin



Designation progress

Areas within two Important Bird Areas qualify currently as Ramsar Sites in the Republic of Benin, and are completely

designated as such already. One IBA (W du Bénin National Park; BJ001) lies adjacent to a Ramsar Site in Niger.

Summary of Important Bird Areas that contain areas which qualify as Ramsar Sites in Benin

IBA code	IBA name	IBA area (ha)	Ramsar Site name	Ramsar Site area (ha)	Ramsar criteria			
					2	4	5	6
Ramsar designation of IBA complete (2 IBAs)								
BJ004	Lake Nokoué	90,000	Basse Vallée de l'Ouémé, Lagune de Porto-Novo, Lac Nokoué	91,600	●			●
BJ005	Lake Ahémé and Aho complex	45,000	Basse Vallée du Couffo, Lagune Côtière, Chenal Aho, Lac Ahémé	47,500	●	●		●
Grand total					1	2	-	2

For the full details of each site, including bird populations, see Fishpool and Evans (2001) and the Data Zone at www.birdlife.net by 2003. See 'Identifying potential Ramsar Sites' (p.11) for a description of the site- and species-selection procedure and the method for evaluating adequacy of Ramsar coverage that have been used in this report.

Threatened species

Within the one IBA that contains an area that qualifies as a Ramsar Site under Criterion 2, one wetland-dependent species of global conservation concern occurs regularly in significant numbers.

Summary of the occurrence of wetland species of global conservation concern within the selected IBAs

Species name and global
threat status
(IUCN 2000; see p.147)

IBA code	Damara Tern <i>Sterna balaenarum</i> (LR/nt)	Grand total
BJ005	●	1
Grand total	1	1