

Falco rusticolus

GYRFALCON



SPEC 3 (1994: 3) **Status** (Rare)

Criteria <10,000 pairs

European IUCN Red List Category —

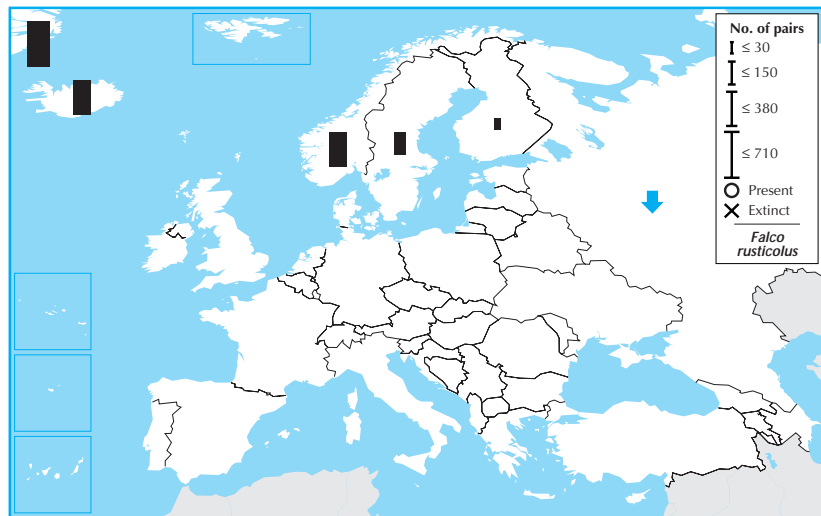
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Global IUCN Red List Category —

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Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Denmark					
Greenland	(500 – 1,000)	90–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Finland	25 – 35	98–02	0	0–19	
Iceland	300 – 400	00	(F)	(–)	21
Norway	300 – 481	98	0	0–19	61
Russia	(100 – 200)	94–00	(–)	(20–29)	74,106
Sweden	80 – 135	99–00	F	20–29	
Total (approx.)	1,300 – 2,300		Overall trend Stable		
Breeding range	>500,000 km ²		Gen. length. 5	% Global pop. <5	

Falco rusticolus breeds in Greenland, Iceland, Fennoscandia and arctic Russia, with Europe accounting for a tiny proportion of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is small (as few as 1,300 pairs), but was stable between 1970–1990. Although the species declined in Russia during 1990–2000, populations elsewhere in Europe were stable or fluctuating, and the species probably remained stable overall. Nevertheless, its population size renders it susceptible to the risks affecting small populations, and consequently it is provisionally evaluated as Rare.



2000 population

50

26

24

1990 population

41

57

Data quality (%) – *Falco rusticolus*

□ unknown □ poor □ medium □ good

1990–2000 trend

70

8

22

1970–1990 trend

42

38

20