

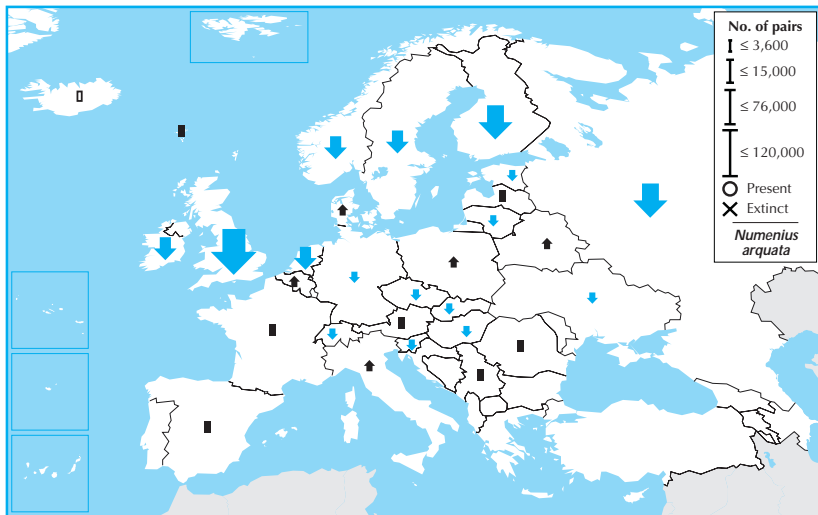
Numenius arquata

EURASIAN CURLEW

SPEC 2 (1994: 3W) **Status** Declining
Criteria Moderate continuing decline
European IUCN Red List Category —
Criteria —
Global IUCN Red List Category —
Criteria —



Numenius arquata is a widespread breeder across much of northern Europe (occurring more patchily farther south), which probably holds >75% of its global breeding population. Its European breeding population is large (>220,000 pairs), but underwent a moderate decline between 1970–1990 (based mainly on wintering data). Although some smaller populations were stable or increased during 1990–2000, key populations in the United Kingdom, Finland and Russia all declined, and the species underwent a moderate decline (>10%) overall. Consequently, it is evaluated as Declining.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag. %	References
Austria	100 – 120	98-02	0	0-19	
Belarus	950 – 1,200	97-00	+	0-9	
Belgium	500 – 700	00-02	+	0-19	1
Czech Rep.	1 – 3	00	–	50-79	
Denmark	390 – 550	90-97	(+)	(–)	22
Faroe Is.	0 – 3	90	(0)	(0-19)	
Estonia	(1,000 – 3,000)	98	–	20-29	1
Finland	35,000 – 50,000	98-02	–	10	
France	1,500 – 1,800	98-02	0	0-19	4
Germany	3,200 – 4,000	95-99	–	20-29	
Hungary	(20 – 60)	90-93	–	0-19	14
Iceland	(0 – 50)	90-00	?	–	32,33
Rep. Ireland	2,500 – 10,000	88-91	–	>80	
Italy	1 – 1	00	+	0-19	18
Latvia	150 – 200	90-00	(0)	(0-19)	23
Lithuania	(300 – 400)	99-01	(–)	(20-29)	20
Netherlands	6,400 – 7,400	98-00	–	41	1
Norway	(5,000 – 10,000)	97-02	(–)	(0-19)	12,27,30
Poland	650 – 700	95-00	+	0-19	2
Romania	(40 – 60)	90-02	(F)	(20-29)	
Russia	48,000 – 120,000	90-00	–	20-29	28,29,60
Serbia & MN	(0 – 5)	90-02	(0)	(0-19)	1,29,125,155
Slovakia	3 – 30	80-99	–	80-89	
Slovenia	5 – 15	90-00	–	30-49	
Spain	1 – 5	98-02	(F)	(–)	16,10,6
Sweden	10,000 – 20,000	99-00	–	26	
Switzerland	1 – 4	98-02	–	30-49	
Ukraine	50 – 100	90-00	–	30-49	
UK	99,500 – 125,000	00	–	13	5,23

Total (approx.) 220,000 – 360,000
Breeding range >4,000,000 km²
Overall trend Moderate decline
Gen. length 5 % Global pop. 50-74

Country	Winter pop. size (individuals)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag. %	References
Belgium	3,000 – 3,000	95-00	+	0-19	1
France	18,000 – 22,000	98-02	F	50-79	9
Germany	40,000 – 150,000	95-00	F	20-29	2
Rep. Ireland	41,000 – 50,000	94-00	0	0-19	
Netherlands	140,000 – 150,000	99-01	0	0-19	3,4,8,9,11,12
Spain	2,000 – 8,700	90-01	+	50-79	19
UK	164,700 – 164,700	94-99	+	18	44,52

Total (approx.) >420,000
% in European IBAs 70-81
Overall trend Stable
Gen. length 5 % Global pop. 25-49

2000 population	3	24	73	
1990 population	23	41	36	
Data quality (%) – <i>Numenius arquata</i>				
	□ unknown	□ poor	□ medium	□ good
1990–2000 trend	3	19	78	
1970–1990 trend	24	34	42	