

Columba palumbus

COMMON WOOD-PIGEON



Non-SPEC^E (1994: 4) **Status** Secure

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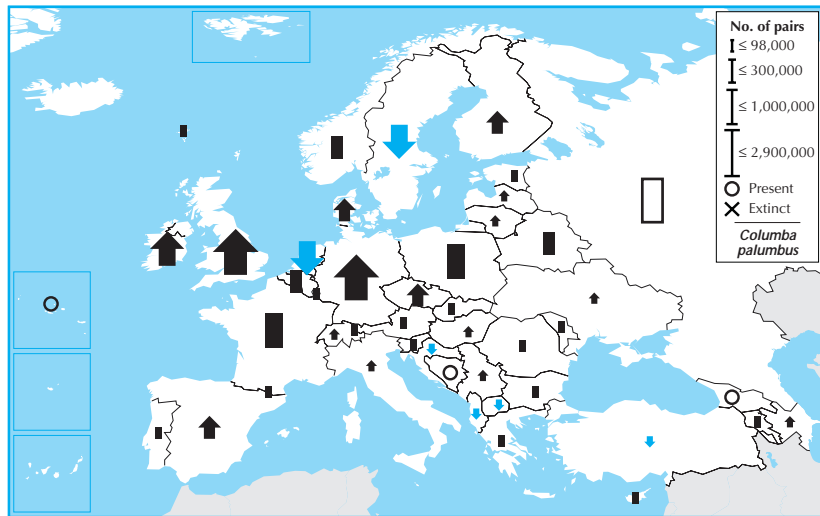
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Columba palumbus is a widespread breeder throughout Europe, which constitutes >75% of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is very large (>9,000,000 pairs), and was stable between 1970–1990. The key populations in Germany and the United Kingdom increased during 1990–2000, and the species increased slightly overall. Consequently, it is evaluated as Secure.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Albania	2,000 – 5,000	02	(-)	(0–19)	
Andorra	(60 – 120)	99–01	(0)	(0–19)	1,3
Armenia	1,500 – 5,000	99–02	0	0–19	
Austria	(20,000 – 40,000)	98–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Azerbaijan	(2,000 – 10,000)	96–00	(+)	(0–19)	
Belarus	140,000 – 160,000	97–02	0	0–19	
Belgium	100,000 – 250,000	01–02	0	0–19	1
Bosnia & HG	Present	90–03	?	–	
Bulgaria	15,000 – 35,000	96–02	0	0–19	
Croatia	(10,000 – 20,000)	02	(-)	(50–79)	16
Cyprus	(15,000 – 30,000)	94–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Czech Rep.	150,000 – 300,000	00	+	20–29	
Denmark	250,000 – 350,000	00	+	10–19	12
Faroe Is.	0 – 2	95	(0)	(0–19)	
Estonia	40,000 – 80,000	98	0	0–19	1
Finland	150,000 – 200,000	98–02	+	10	
France	(500,000 – 2,000,000)	98–02	0	0–19	4
Georgia	Present	03	?	–	
Germany	1,700,000 – 2,900,000	95–99	+	20–29	
Greece	(5,000 – 8,000)	95–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Hungary	77,000 – 110,000	99–02	+	20–49	19
Rep. Ireland	500,000 – 1,000,000	88–91	+	0–19	
Italy	(20,000 – 50,000)	03	(+)	(0–19)	
Latvia	40,000 – 60,000	90–00	+	20–29	23,18,2
Liechtenstein	60 – 100	98–00	0	0–19	
Lithuania	80,000 – 120,000	99–01	(+)	(20–29)	20
Luxembourg	9,000 – 10,000	02	0	0–19	
Macedonia	30,000 – 60,000	90–00	(-)	(20–29)	
Moldova	4,000 – 4,500	90–00	0	0–19	
Netherlands	400,000 – 500,000	98–00	–	13	1
Norway	(100,000 – 500,000)	90–02	(0)	(0–19)	8
Poland	400,000 – 600,000	00–02	0	0–19	23
Portugal	(10,000 – 100,000)	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Azores	Present	02	?	–	
Romania	(12,000 – 16,000)	90–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Russia	1,000,000 – 2,500,000	90–00	?	–	3,8,24,104,111,114,122
Serbia & MN	70,000 – 90,000	90–02	+	10–29	1,67a,172a,155,143a,78,152,227,225
Slovakia	60,000 – 120,000	90–99	0	0–19	
Slovenia	5,000 – 10,000	94	(0)	(0–19)	
Spain	(100,000 – 250,000)	98–02	(+)	(0–19)	10
Sweden	300,000 – 1,000,000	99–00	–	28	
Switzerland	50,000 – 60,000	93–96	+	20–29	
Turkey	(5,000 – 15,000)	01	(-)	(20–29)	
Ukraine	77,000 – 122,000	90–00	+	0–19	
UK	2,570,000 – 3,160,000	00	+	17	5,31

Total (approx.) Breeding range 9,000,000 – 17,000,000
 >8,000,000 km²

Overall trend Small increase
Gen. length. <3.3 % **Global pop.** 75–94
 (See p. 154, bottom, for data quality graph)