

# *Carduelis cannabina*

EURASIAN LINNET

**SPEC 2** (1994: 4) **Status** Declining

**Criteria** Moderate recent decline

**European IUCN Red List Category** —

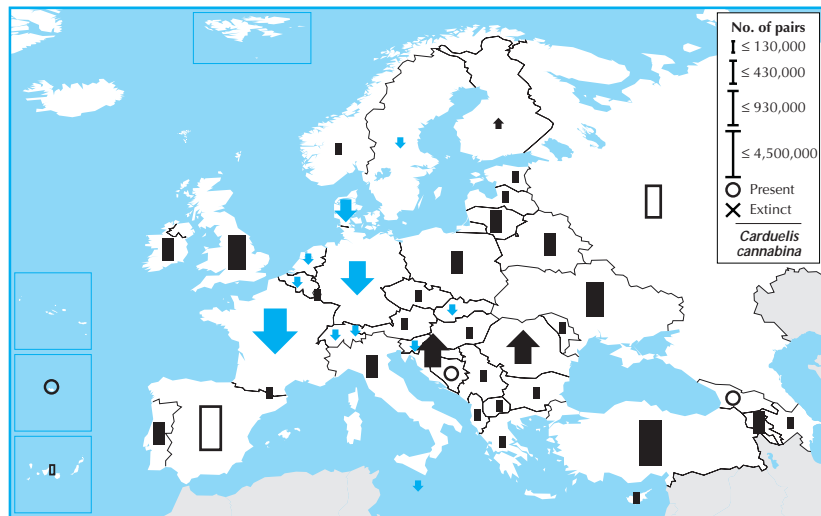
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**Global IUCN Red List Category** —

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*Carduelis cannabina* is a widespread breeder across much of Europe, which constitutes >50% of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is extremely large (>10,000,000 pairs), and was stable between 1970–1990. Although it was stable or increased across much of Europe during 1990–2000, there were declines in several north-western European populations—most notably the sizeable one in France—and the species underwent a moderate decline (>10%) overall. Consequently, this previously Secure species is now evaluated as Declining.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag. %	References
Albania	3,000 – 10,000	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Andorra	(300 – 1,000)	99–01	(0)	(0–19)	1,3
Armenia	150,000 – 300,000	00–02	0	0–19	
Austria	(12,000 – 24,000)	98–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Azerbaijan	(50,000 – 200,000)	96–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Belarus	130,000 – 180,000	97–02	0	0–19	
Belgium	30,000 – 60,000	01–02	–	0–19	1
Bosnia & HG	Present	90–03	?	–	
Bulgaria	40,000 – 100,000	96–02	0	0–9	
Croatia	(500,000 – 800,000)	02	(+)	(>80)	16
Cyprus	(10,000 – 30,000)	94–02	(0)	(0–9)	
Czech Rep.	60,000 – 120,000	00	0	0–19	
Denmark	150,000 – 300,000	00	–	20–29	12
Estonia	(20,000 – 40,000)	98	0	0–19	1
Finland	20,000 – 30,000	98–02	+	<b>100</b>	
France	(1,000,000 – 5,000,000)	98–02	–	<b>49</b>	4,2
Georgia	Present	03	?	–	
Germany	380,000 – 830,000	95–99	–	20–29	
Greece	(50,000 – 100,000)	95–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Hungary	<b>85,000 – 150,000</b>	99–02	0	0–19	19
Rep. Ireland	100,000 – 250,000	88–91	0	0–19	
Italy	(100,000 – 400,000)	03	(0)	(0–19)	
Latvia	10,000 – 25,000	90–00	0	0–19	23,16,2
Liechtenstein	50 – 80	98–00	–	0–19	
Lithuania	(150,000 – 300,000)	99–01	(0)	(0–19)	20
Luxembourg	14,000 – 18,000	02	0	0–19	
Macedonia	(5,000 – 20,000)	90–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Malta	5 – 10	90–02	–	<b>20–29</b>	1
Moldova	25,000 – 30,000	90–00	0	0–19	
Netherlands	<b>40,000 – 50,000</b>	98–00	–	<b>17</b>	1
Norway	(10,000 – 15,000)	90–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Poland	<b>300,000 – 600,000</b>	00–02	0	0–19	23
Portugal	(100,000 – 1,000,000)	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Madeira	Present	02	?	–	
Romania	780,000 – 1,100,000	99–02	+	0–19	48
Russia	500,000 – 1,000,000	90–00	?	–	122
Serbia & MN	35,000 – 50,000	95–02	(0)	(0–19)	1,29,155,225,227, 40,62,152,184, 185,117a
Slovakia	40,000 – 60,000	90–99	–	20–29	
Slovenia	5,000 – 10,000	00	(–)	(0–19)	
Spain	(1,700,000 – 3,300,000)	92	?	–	13,12,15,10
Canary Is.	(10,000 – 20,000)	97–03	?	–	28,25
Sweden	100,000 – 150,000	99–00	–	<b>37</b>	
Switzerland	<b>30,000 – 60,000</b>	93–96	–	10–19	
Turkey	(2,000,000 – 10,000,000)	01	(0)	(0–19)	
Ukraine	800,000 – 1,000,000	90–00	0	0–19	
UK	<b>556,000 – 556,000</b>	00	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	5,31

**Total (approx.) Breeding range** 10,000,000 – 28,000,000 >7,000,000 km<sup>2</sup>

**Overall trend** Moderate decline

**Gen. length** <3.3 % **Global pop.** 50–74

(See p. 273, top, for data quality graph)