

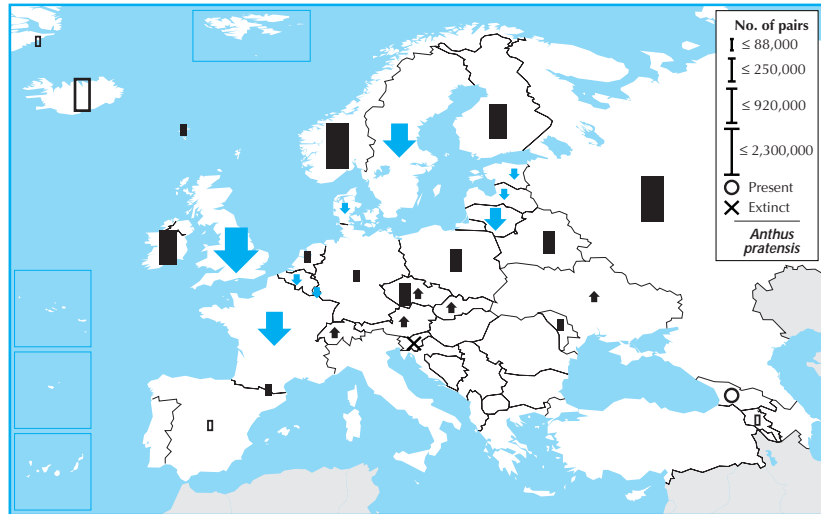
# *Anthus pratensis*

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**Non-SPEC<sup>E</sup>** (1994: 4) **Status** (Secure)  
**Criteria** —  
**European IUCN Red List Category** —  
**Criteria** —  
**Global IUCN Red List Category** —  
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*Anthus pratensis* is a widespread breeder across much of central and northern Europe, which constitutes >75% of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is very large (>7,000,000 pairs), and was stable between 1970–1990. Although there were declines in countries such as the United Kingdom, France and Sweden during 1990–2000, the species was stable or increased across most of its European range—including in Norway and Russia—and probably declined only slightly overall. Consequently, it is provisionally evaluated as Secure.



| Country                | Breeding pop. size (pairs)          | Year(s) | Trend    | Mag.%   | References |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|----------|---|------------|
| Andorra                | (0 – 10)                            | 99-01   | (0)      | (0-19)  | 1,3        |
| Armenia                | 15,000 – 50,000                     | 97-02   | ?        | –   |            |
| Austria                | 1,300 – 2,300                       | 98-02   | +        | <b>20-29</b>  |            |
| Belarus                | 180,000 – 230,000                   | 97-02   | 0        | 0-19  |            |
| Belgium                | 6,800 – 12,000                      | 01-02   | –        | 30-49   | 1          |
| Czech Rep.             | 35,000 – 70,000                     | 00      | 0        | 10-19   |            |
| Denmark                | 30,000 – 45,000                     | 00      | –        | <b>20-29</b>  | 12         |
| Faroe Is.              | 1,500 – 1,500                       | 95      | (0)      | (0-19)  |            |
| Greenland              | (10 – 500)                          | 90-00   | ?        | –   |            |
| Estonia                | 50,000 – 100,000                    | 98      | –        | 20-29   | 1          |
| Finland                | 700,000 – 1,200,000                 | 98-02   | <b>0</b> | <b>5</b>  |            |
| France                 | (250,000 – 1,000,000)               | 98-02   | (-)      | (35)  | 4,2        |
| Georgia                | Present                             | 03      | ?        | –   |            |
| Germany                | 64,000 – 120,000                    | 95-99   | 0        | 0-19  |            |
| Iceland                | (500,000 – 1,000,000)               | 78-94   | ?        | –   | 1          |
| Rep. Ireland           | 500,000 – 1,000,000                 | 88-91   | 0        | 0-19  |            |
| Latvia                 | 50,000 – 100,000                    | 90-00   | –        | 30-49   | 23,16,2    |
| Lithuania              | (200,000 – 300,000)                 | 99-01   | (-)      | (0-19)  | 20         |
| Luxembourg             | <b>250 – 350</b>                    | 00-02   | –        | <b>30-49</b>  |            |
| Moldova                | 500 – 600                           | 90-00   | 0        | 0-19  |            |
| Netherlands            | <b>70,000 – 80,000</b>              | 98-00   | <b>F</b> | <b>24</b>   | 1          |
| Norway                 | (1,000,000 – 5,000,000)             | 90-03   | (0)      | (0-19)  |            |
| Poland                 | <b>150,000 – 300,000</b>            | 00-02   | 0        | 0-19  | 23         |
| Russia                 | 1,000,000 – 2,500,000               | 90-00   | (0)      | (0-19)  | 122        |
| Slovakia               | 250 – 500                           | 80-99   | +        | 30-49   |            |
| Slovenia               | <b>0 – 0</b>                        | 94      | –        | <b>X</b>  |            |
| Spain                  | (50 – 100)                          | 98-02   | ?        | –   | 10         |
| Sweden                 | 500,000 – 1,000,000                 | 99-00   | –        | 10-19   |            |
| Switzerland            | <b>500 – 500</b>                    | 93-96   | +        | 0-19  |            |
| Ukraine                | 21,000 – 26,000                     | 90-00   | +        | 5-9   |            |
| UK                     | <b>1,680,000 – 1,680,000</b>        | 00      | –        | <b>16</b>   | 5,31       |
| <b>Total (approx.)</b> | <b>7,000,000 – 16,000,000</b>       |         |          | <b>Overall trend</b> Small decline                  |            |
| <b>Breeding range</b>  | <b>&gt;5,000,000 km<sup>2</sup></b> |         |          | <b>Gen. length.</b> <3.3 % <b>Global pop.</b> 75-94 |            |

| 2000 population                            | 36 | 45 | 19 |    |
|--|----|----|----|----|
| 1990 population                            | 27 | 61 | 11 |    |
| Data quality (%) – <i>Anthus pratensis</i> |    |    |    |    |
| □ unknown    ◻ poor    ◻ medium    ◻ good  |    |    |    |    |
| 1990–2000 trend                            | 7  | 45 | 21 | 27 |
| 1970–1990 trend                            | 50 | 33 | 17 |    |