

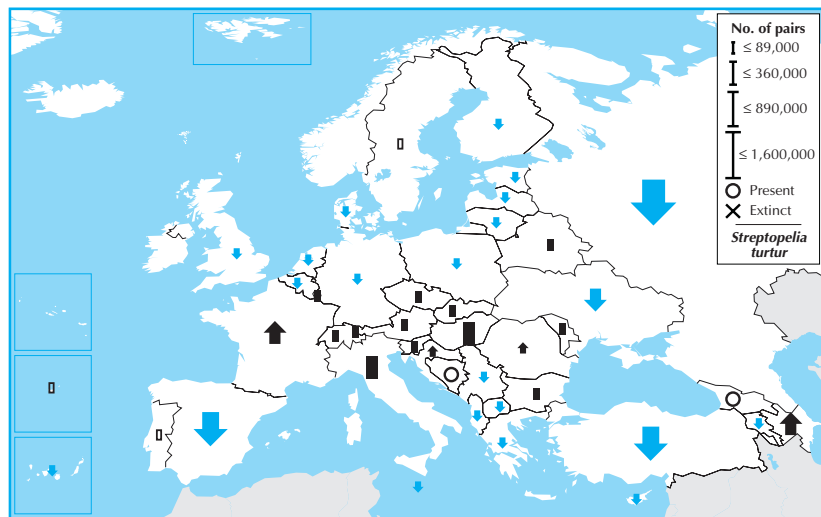
# *Streptopelia turtur*

## EUROPEAN TURTLE-DOVE

**SPEC 3** (1994: 3) **Status** Declining  
**Criteria** Moderate continuing decline  
**European IUCN Red List Category** —  
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**Global IUCN Red List Category** —  
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*Streptopelia turtur* is a widespread summer visitor to much of Europe, which accounts for less than half of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is very large (>3,500,000 pairs), but underwent a moderate decline between 1970–1990. Although the species was stable or increased in various countries, especially in central Europe, during 1990–2000, most populations—including sizeable ones in Spain, Russia and Turkey—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
Albania	1,000 – 5,000	02	(–)	(0–19)	
Armenia	650 – 1,000	98–02	–	0–19	
Austria	(8,000 – 15,000)	98–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Azerbaijan	(250,000 – 500,000)	96–00	(+)	(20–29)	
Belarus	40,000 – 60,000	97–02	0	0–19	
Belgium	5,800 – 9,600	01–02	–	50–79	1
Bosnia & HG	Present	90–03	?	–	
Bulgaria	20,000 – 100,000	96–02	0	0–19	
Croatia	(50,000 – 100,000)	02	(+)	(0–19)	16
Cyprus	5,000 – 15,000	94–02	–	0–19	
Czech Rep.	<b>60,000 – 120,000</b>	00	<b>0</b>	<b>0–19</b>	
Denmark	(25 – 75)	98–01	(–)	(50)	4,5,6,7
Estonia	4,000 – 8,000	98	–	20–29	1
Finland	5 – 30	98–02	–	>80	
France	150,000 – 450,000	98–02	(+)	(10)	4,2
Georgia	Present	03	?	–	
Germany	55,000 – 81,000	95–99	(–)	(20–29)	
Greece	(10,000 – 30,000)	95–00	(–)	(0–19)	
Hungary	<b>165,000 – 215,000</b>	99–02	0	0–19	19
Italy	(200,000 – 400,000)	03	(0)	(0–19)	
Latvia	(500 – 2,000)	90–00	–	50–79	18
Liechtenstein	1 – 3	98–00	0	0–19	
Lithuania	(2,000 – 5,000)	99–01	(–)	(30–49)	20
Luxembourg	1,800 – 2,000	02	<b>0</b>	<b>0–19</b>	
Macedonia	25,000 – 60,000	90–00	–	20–29	
Malta	2 – 5	90–02	–	0–19	1
Moldova	<b>3,000 – 3,500</b>	90–00	0	0–19	
Netherlands	<b>10,000 – 12,000</b>	98–00	–	<b>53</b>	1
Poland	<b>40,000 – 70,000</b>	00–02	(–)	(0–19)	23
Portugal	(10,000 – 100,000)	02	?	–	
Madeira	(0 – 5)	02	?	–	
Romania	(15,000 – 25,000)	90–02	(+)	(0–19)	48
Russia	1,000,000 – 2,500,000	90–00	–	20–29	8,35,39,43,111,114,122
Serbia & MN	65,000 – 120,000	90–02	–	10–19	1,143a,172a,155,67a,227,225
Slovakia	15,000 – 30,000	90–99	0	0–19	
Slovenia	2,000 – 3,000	94	(0)	(0–19)	
Spain	790,000 – 1,000,000	92	–	30–49	13,12,16,10
Canary Is.	(2,500 – 10,000)	97–03	(–)	(0–19)	28,25
Sweden	0 – 1	99–00	?	–	
Switzerland	<b>1,000 – 2,500</b>	93–96	0	0–19	
Turkey	(300,000 – 900,000)	01	(–)	(0–19)	
Ukraine	110,000 – 176,000	90–00	–	0–19	
UK	<b>44,000 – 44,000</b>	00	–	<b>42</b>	5,31
<b>Total (approx.)</b>	<b>3,500,000 – 7,200,000</b>				
<b>Breeding range</b>	<b>&gt;7,000,000 km<sup>2</sup></b>				

**Overall trend** Moderate decline  
**Gen. length.** <3.3 % **Global pop.** 25–49  
 (See p. 157, top, for data quality graph)