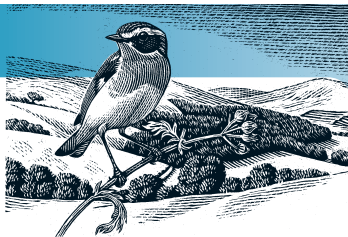


Saxicola rubetra

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

Criteria —

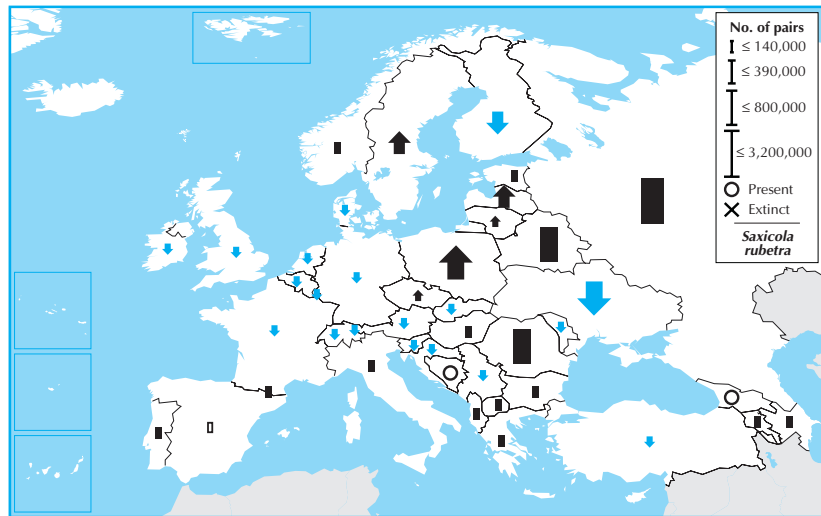
European IUCN Red List Category —

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Global IUCN Red List Category —

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Saxicola rubetra is a widespread summer visitor to much of Europe, which constitutes >75% of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is very large (>5,400,000 pairs), and was stable between 1970–1990. Although the species declined in many countries—notably Finland and Ukraine—during 1990–2000, the key population in Russia was stable, with other sizeable populations such as Belarus, Poland and Romania also stable or increasing, and the species probably declined only slightly overall. Consequently, it is provisionally evaluated as Secure.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Albania	(500 – 1,000)	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Andorra	75 – 200	99–01	(0)	(0–19)	1,3
Armenia	15,000 – 20,000	97–02	0	0–19	
Austria	3,500 – 7,000	98–02	(–)	(50–79)	
Azerbaijan	(50,000 – 100,000)	96–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Belarus	550,000 – 650,000	97–02	0	0–19	
Belgium	168 – 325	01–02	–	20–29	1
Bosnia & HG	Present	90–03	?	–	
Bulgaria	1,500 – 5,000	96–02	0	0–9	
Croatia	(5,000 – 10,000)	02	(–)	(30–49)	70,16,44
Czech Rep.	15,000 – 30,000	00	+	30–49	
Denmark	5,000 – 10,000	00	+	50	12
Estonia	(50,000 – 150,000)	98	0	0–19	1
Finland	300,000 – 400,000	98–02	–	30	
France	15,000 – 45,000	98–02	–	54	4,2
Georgia	Present	03	?	–	
Germany	37,000 – 90,000	95–99	–	30–49	
Greece	(500 – 1,000)	95–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Hungary	95,000 – 180,000	99–02	0	0–19	19
Rep. Ireland	1,000 – 2,500	88–91	(–)	(–)	
Italy	(10,000 – 20,000)	03	(0)	(0–19)	
Latvia	300,000 – 500,000	90–00	+	20–29	23,16,2
Liechtenstein	25 – 35	98–00	–	10–19	
Lithuania	(50,000 – 120,000)	99–01	(+)	(0–19)	20
Luxembourg	20 – 40	00–02	–	90	
Macedonia	(250 – 1,000)	90–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Moldova	1,500 – 2,000	90–00	–	20–29	
Netherlands	500 – 700	98–00	–	52	1
Norway	(50,000 – 300,000)	90–03	(0)	(0–19)	
Poland	400,000 – 600,000	00–02	+	0–19	23
Portugal	10 – 100	02	0	0–19	
Romania	715,000 – 882,000	00–02	0	0–19	48
Russia	2,000,000 – 5,000,000	90–00	0	0–19	122
Serbia & MN	6,000 – 8,000	90–02	–	0–19	1,29,155,172a, 67a,78,225,227
Slovakia	10,000 – 20,000	90–99	–	30–49	
Slovenia	3,000 – 5,000	99–00	(–)	(10–19)	
Spain	(15,000 – 20,000)	92	?	–	13,12,10
Sweden	200,000 – 400,000	99–00	+	11	
Switzerland	10,000 – 15,000	93–96	–	20–29	
Turkey	(2,000 – 8,000)	01	(–)	(0–19)	
Ukraine	(435,000 – 640,000)	90–00	–	20–29	
UK	11,000 – 22,100	00	–	21	22,31

Total (approx.) Breeding range 5,400,000 – 10,000,000 >7,000,000 km²

Overall trend Small decline
Gen. length. <3.3 % **Global pop.** 75–94
 (See p. 205, bottom, for data quality graph)