

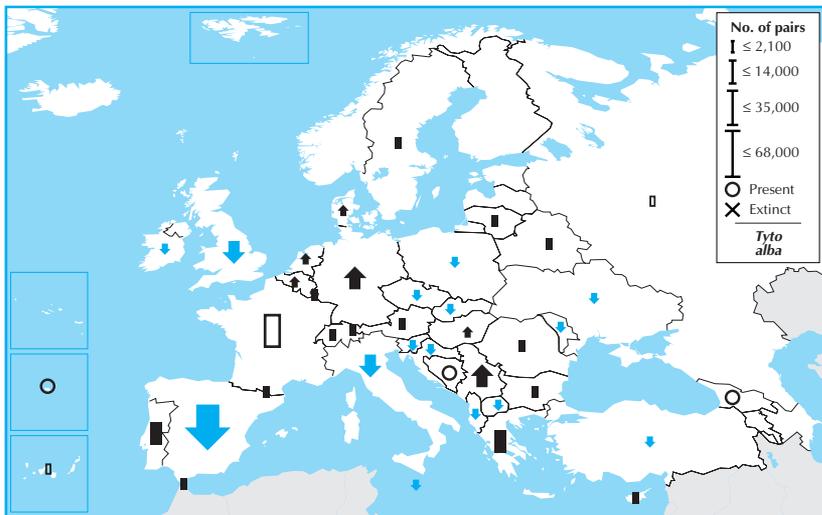
Tyto alba

BARN OWL

SPEC 3 (1994: 3) **Status** (Declining)
Criteria Moderate continuing decline
European IUCN Red List Category —
Criteria —
Global IUCN Red List Category —
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Tyto alba is a widespread resident across much of Europe, which accounts for less than a quarter of its vast global range. Its European breeding population is large (>110,000 pairs), but underwent a moderate decline between 1970–1990. Although the species was stable or increased across much of Europe during 1990–2000, there were declines in a number of countries—including the key population in Spain—and the species probably underwent a moderate decline (>10%) overall. Consequently, it is provisionally evaluated as Declining.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag. %	References
Albania	300 – 800	02	(-)	(0–19)	
Andorra	0 – 2	98	0	0–19	1,3
Austria	(20 – 40)	98–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Belarus	5 – 15	97–02	0	0–19	
Belgium	1,600 – 2,600	95–02	+	0–19	1
Bosnia & HG	Present	90–03	?	–	
Bulgaria	150 – 500	96–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Croatia	(500 – 1,000)	02	(-)	(50–79)	16
Cyprus	(200 – 600)	94–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Czech Rep.	200 – 350	00	–	50–79	
Denmark	104 – 104	01	+	>80	7
France	20,000 – 60,000	98–00	?	–	4
Georgia	Present	03	?	–	
Germany	11,000 – 17,000	95–99	+	20–29	
Greece	(3,000 – 6,000)	95–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Hungary	1,000 – 1,500	99–02	+	20–29	
Rep. Ireland	250 – 1,000	88–91	(-)	(20–29)	
Italy	(6,000 – 12,000)	03	(-)	(0–19)	
Liechtenstein	0 – 2	98–00	0	0–19	
Lithuania	(30 – 70)	99–01	(F)	(30–49)	20
Luxembourg	200 – 300	00–02	0	0–19	
Macedonia	(180 – 300)	90–00	(-)	(20–29)	
Malta	0 – 1	90–02	–	>80	1
Moldova	1 – 2	90–00	–	50–79	
Netherlands	1,150 – 2,000	98–00	+	137	1
Poland	1,000 – 2,000	95–00	–	20–29	27
Portugal	(2,000 – 6,000)	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Madeira	Present	02	?	–	
Romania	800 – 1,200	90–02	0	0–19	
Russia	(20 – 70)	90–00	?	–	171,174
Serbia & MN	3,200 – 4,400	90–02	+	0–19	1,78,29,172a,155
Slovakia	400 – 600	80–99	–	50–79	
Slovenia	50 – 80	00	–	30–49	
Spain	(50,400 – 90,500)	92	(-)	(0–19)	13,12,16,10
Canary Is.	(250 – 1,000)	97–03	?	–	25
Sweden	1 – 2	99–00	0	0–19	
Switzerland	1,000 – 1,500	93–96	F	20–29	
Turkey	(800 – 1,200)	01	(-)	(0–19)	
Ukraine	(5 – 10)	90–00	(-)	(10–19)	
UK	3,000 – 5,000	95–97	(-)	(0–19)	33
Gibraltar	(0 – 1)	00	(0)	(0–19)	

Total (approx.) 110,000 – 220,000
 Breeding range >3,000,000 km²

Overall trend Moderate decline
 Gen. length. <3.3 % Global pop. 5–24
 (See p. 159, bottom, for data quality graph)