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Plectrophenax nivalis

Annex I No International action plan No

Snow Bunting, *Plectrophenax nivalis*, is a species of passerine bird in the bunting family found in unvegetated or sparsely vegetated land ecosystems.

Plectrophenax nivalis has a breeding population size of 14000-43100 pairs and a breeding range size of 55400 square kilometres in the EU27. The breeding population trend in the EU27 is Stable in the short term and Decreasing in the long term.

The EU population status of *Plectrophenax nivalis* was assessed as Depleted, because the EU27 population or range declined by at least 20% since 1980, but has no longer been declining since 2001.

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Assessment of status at the European level

Breeding population size	Breeding population trend		_ Range _	Breeding range trend		Winter	Winter population trend		_ Population
	Short term	Long term	area	Short term	Long term	population size	Short term	Long term	status
14000 - 43100 p	0	_	55400						Depleted

See the endnotes for more informationⁱ

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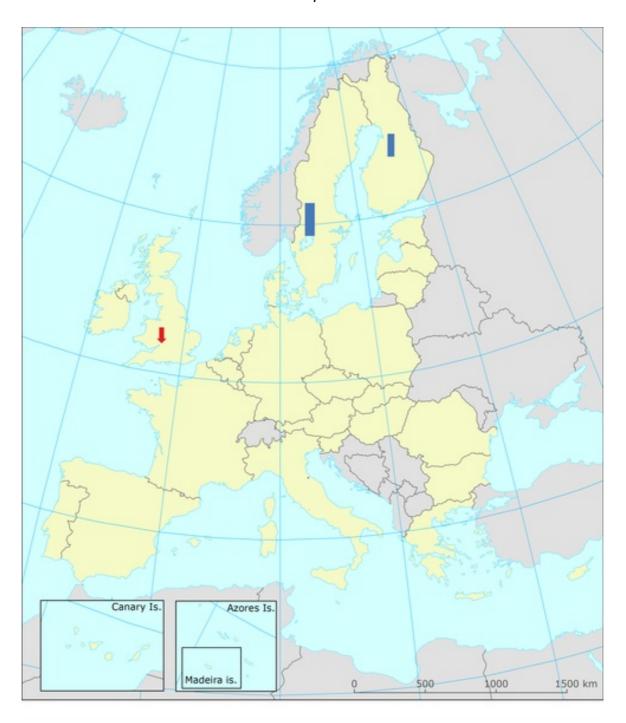
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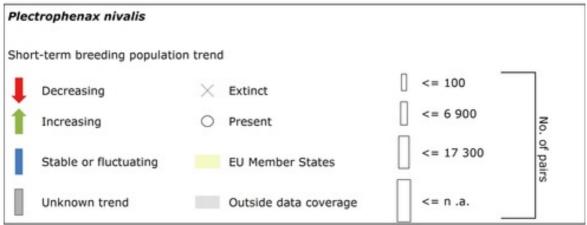
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Trends at the Member State level

MS/Ter.	% in	Breeding	Breeding population trend		Range	Breeding range trend		Winter population	Winter population trend	
	EU27	population size	Short term	Long term	area	Short term	Long term	size	Short term	Long term
FI	17.2	2900 - 16000 p	0	_	7900	X	-			
SE	68.2	11000 - 27000 p	0	-	44300	0	X			
UK	14.6	100 - 100 p	-	+	3200	-	+			

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Short-term winter population trend was not reported for this species.

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 12 of the Birds Directive in 2013 and covering the period 2008-2012. More detailed information, including the MS reports, is available at: http://bd.eionet.europa.eu/article12/summary?period=1&subject=A375 .

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ⁱ Assessment of status at the European level: The EU assessments of birds population status was made by the European Red List of Birds Consortium (under contract with the European Commission)

The EU27 population trends were assessed using these categories: '+' Increasing, '0' Stable, 'F' Fluctuating, '-' Decreasing, 'xu' Uncertain and 'x' Unknown. The breeding population size is estimated in majority of the cases as 'p' number of pairs. Alternative population units used are: 'males' number of males, 'i' number of individuals, 'cmales' number of calling males and 'bfem' number of breeding females. The winter population size is estimated as number of individuals.

ⁱⁱSpecies trends at the Member State level: The percentage of the EU27 species population occurring in the Member States (% in EU27) is calculated based on the population size reported by the Member States.