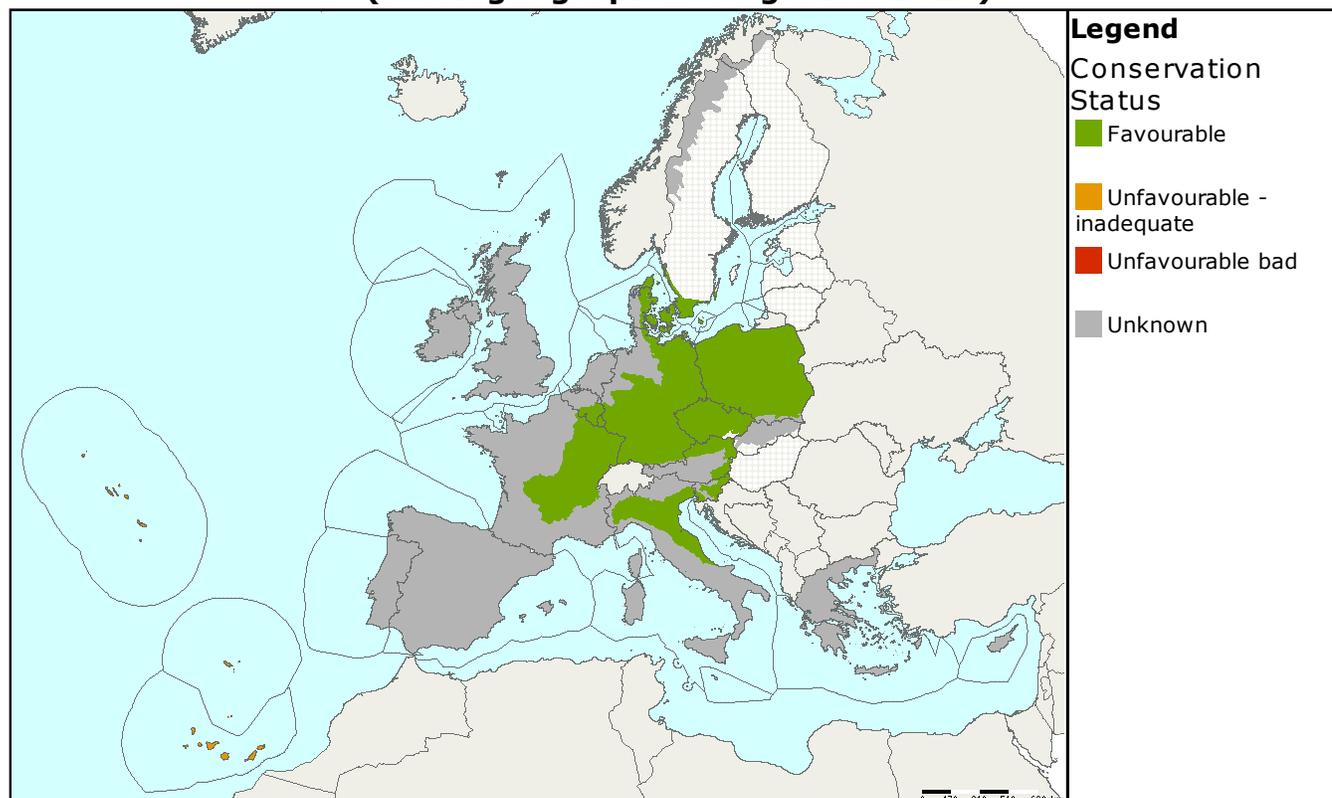


Habitat code: **4090**
 Habitat name: **Endemic
 oro-Mediterranean heaths with
 gorse**

Habitat group: **heath & scrub**
 Regions: **ALP ATL CON MAC MED**

Assessments of conservation status at the European level (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Biogeographic Region	Conservation status assessment					Km ²	Trend in area
		Range	Area	Structure & function	Future prospects	Overall		
EU25	ALP						245	x
EU25	ATL						3406	x
EU25	CON						4	=
EU25	MAC						290	-
EU25	MED						>19647	x

Heaths with low, often spiny, shrubs are typical of high mountains in the Mediterranean region and adjacent areas. There is much variation and fifteen subtypes are noted in the 'Interpretation manual of European Union habitats'.

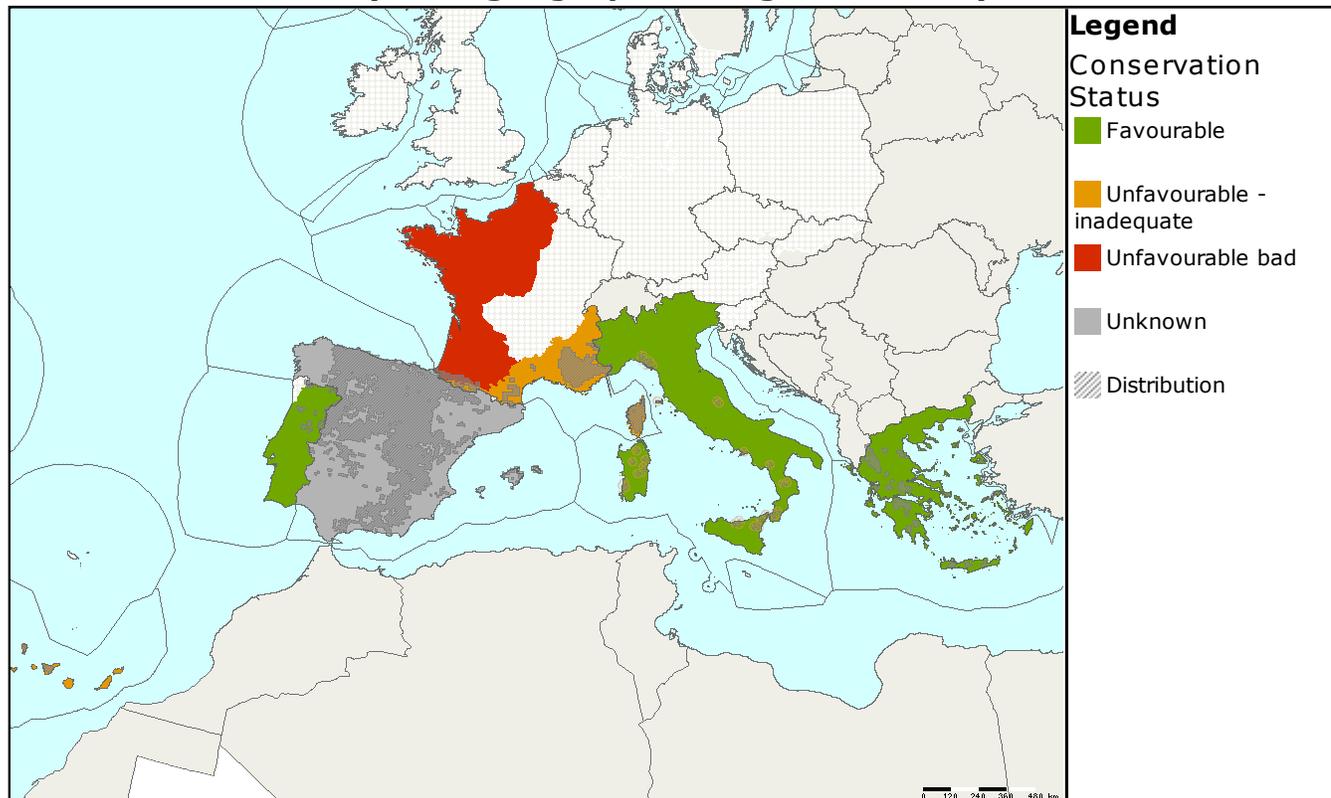
Assessed as 'unknown' in the Mediterranean region as Spain, which hosts the majority of the habitat area within this region, reported all parameters as 'unknown'. Elsewhere the habitat has been assessed as 'favourable' except for France where it is 'unfavourable-inadequate' due to the small and declining area.

Also assessed as 'unknown' for the Atlantic and Alpine regions, again due to Spain reporting all parameters as 'unknown'. In the Alpine region France reports 'unfavourable-inadequate' due to due to the small and declining area but Italy reports 'favourable' while in the Atlantic region France reports 'unfavourable-bad' as the area is

much smaller than the estimated favourable reference value and declining. Within the Continental region the habitat is only present in Italy which reports 'favourable'. In Macaronesia where the habitat is restricted to the Canary Islands (Spain) the habitat is 'unfavourable-inadequate' due to poor 'structure and function' with urbanisation noted as the major pressure.

Better information required, particularly from Spain.

Assessments of conservation status as reported by Member states (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Biogeographic Region	Conservation status assessment					Km ²	Trend in area	Data quality
		Range	Area	Structure & function	Future prospects	Overall			
ES	ALP						208.79	X	3
FR	ALP						34	-	2
IT	ALP						2	=	2
ES	ATL						3402	X	2
FR	ATL						4	-	2
IT	CON						4	=	2
ES	MAC						290	-	1
EL	MED						1344.9	=	1
ES	MED						17935	X	2
FR	MED						173	-	2
IT	MED						194	=	2
PT	MED						N/A	=	

Data quality is based on as assessment by each Member State, 1 = good, 2 = medium, 3 = poor

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 17 of the Habitats Directive in 2007 and covering the

period 2001-2006. More detailed information is available at <http://biodiversity.eionet.europa.eu/article17>