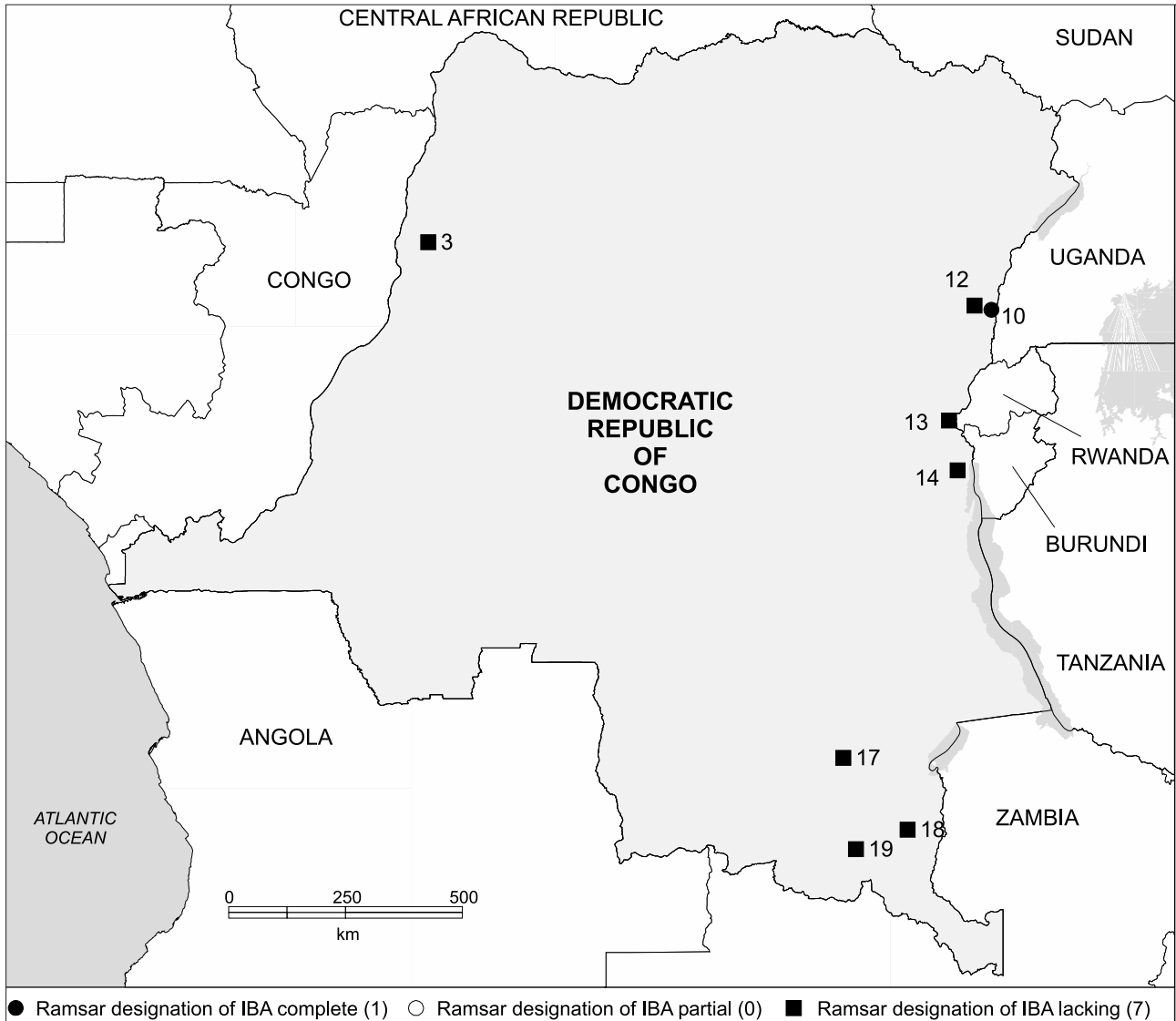


# Democratic Republic of Congo

Ramsar designation is:  
Complete in 1 IBA  
Lacking in 7 IBAs

## Location of Important Bird Areas that contain areas which qualify as Ramsar Sites in Democratic Republic of Congo



### Designation progress

Areas within eight Important Bird Areas qualify currently as Ramsar Sites in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). Designation coverage is complete within one of these, while

seven (87%) of the suitable IBAs in DRC have no Ramsar designation as yet. There is one other Ramsar Site in DRC, which does not overlap with any IBA.

### Summary of Important Bird Areas that contain areas which qualify as Ramsar Sites in Democratic Republic of Congo

IBA code	IBA name	IBA area (ha)	Ramsar Site name	Ramsar Site area (ha)	Ramsar criteria			
					2	4	5	6
Ramsar designation of complete (1 IBA)								
CD010	Virunga National Park	780,000	Parc national des Virunga	800,000	●			
Subtotal				Subtotal	1	-	-	-

IBA code	IBA name	IBA area (ha)	Ramsar Site name	Ramsar Site area (ha)	Ramsar criteria			
					2	4	5	6
Ramsar designation of IBA lacking (7 IBAs)								
CD003	Ngiri	250,000			●	●		●
CD012	Forests west of Lake Edward	100,000			●			
CD013	Kahuzi-Biega National Park	600,000			●			
CD014	Itombwe Mountains	1,190,000			●			
CD017	Upemba National Park	1,173,000			●			
CD018	Kundelungu National Park	760,000			●			
CD019	Lufira valley	14,700			●			
Subtotal					7	1	-	1
Grand total					8	1	-	1

For the full details of each site, including bird populations, see Fishpool and Evans (2001) and the Data Zone at [www.birdlife.net](http://www.birdlife.net) by 2003. See 'Identifying potential Ramsar Sites' (p.11) for a description of the site- and species-selection procedure and the method for evaluating adequacy of Ramsar coverage that have been used in this report.

### Threatened species

Within the eight IBAs that contain areas that qualify as Ramsar Sites under Criterion 2, seven wetland-dependent species of global conservation concern occur regularly in significant numbers.

Summary of the occurrence of wetland species of global conservation concern within the selected IBAs

Species name and global threat status (IUCN 2000; see p.147)

IBA code	Shoebill <i>Balaeniceps rex</i> (LR/nt)	Wattled Crane <i>Grus carunculatus</i> (VU)	African River Martin <i>Pseudochelidon eurystomina</i> (DD)	Papyrus Gonolek <i>Laniarius mufumbiri</i> (LR/nt)	Grauer's Swamp-warbler <i>Bradypterus graueri</i> (EN)	Papyrus Yellow Warbler <i>Chloropeta gracilirostris</i> (VU)	Lake Lufira Weaver <i>Ploceus ruwetii</i> (DD)	Grand total
CD003			●					1
CD010	●			●	●			3
CD012					●			1
CD013					●			1
CD014						●		1
CD017	●	●						2
CD018		●						1
CD019	●	●					●	3
Grand total	3	3	1	1	3	1	1	13