

# *Branta leucopsis*

## BARNACLE GOOSE

Non-SPEC<sup>E</sup> (1994: 4/2W) Status Secure

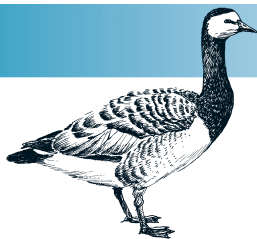
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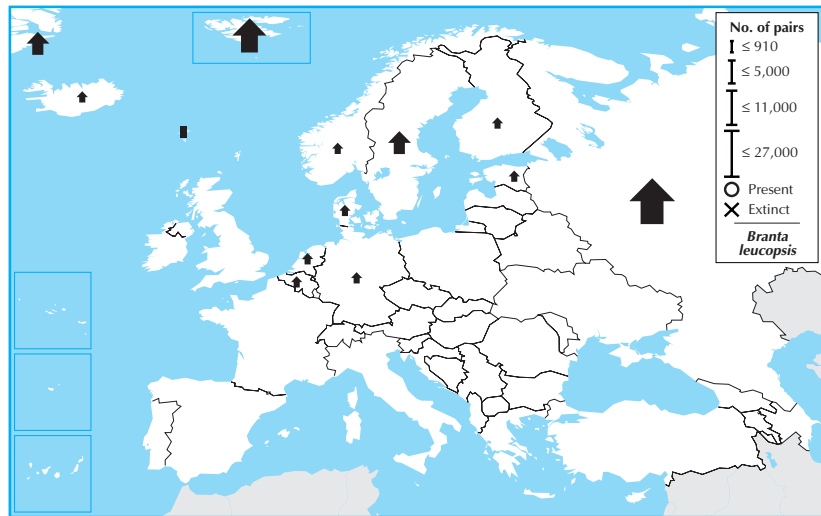
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*Branta leucopsis* has an entirely European distribution, breeding mainly in the far north, and wintering in north-west Europe. Its breeding population is relatively small (<54,000 pairs), but increased substantially between 1970–1990. Furthermore, all significant national populations increased during 1990–2000, and the species continued to undergo a large increase overall. As a result of the expansion of its wintering range accompanying this population growth, the species no longer qualifies as Localised in winter. Consequently, it is evaluated as Secure.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Belgium	145 – 198	95-02	+	50-79	1
Denmark	100 – 150	01	+	N	7
Faroe Is.	1 – 1	91	(0)	(0-19)	
Greenland	(2,500 – 5,000)	95-00	+	0-19	
Estonia	100 – 130	98	+	50-79	1
Finland	300 – 500	01-02	+	1,900	
Germany	32 – 32	95-99	+	50-79	
Iceland	0 – 50	00	+	>80	21
Netherlands	750 – 1,100	98-00	+	3,476	1
Norway	70 – 80	02	+	0-19	53
Svalbard	9,500 – 11,000	02	+	30-49	
Russia	23,000 – 30,000	90-00	+	20-29	1,49,85
Sweden	4,500 – 5,500	99-00	+	>80	
<b>Total (approx.)</b>	41,000 – 54,000				
<b>Breeding range</b>	>50,000 km <sup>2</sup>				
		<b>Overall trend</b>	Large increase		
		<b>Gen. length.</b>	7	% Global pop. 100	

Country	Winter pop. size (individuals)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Bulgaria	0 – 2	96-02	?	–	
Croatia	(1 – 5)	02	(F)	(–)	26
Denmark	13,000 – 15,000	99-00	+	>80	25,26
Estonia	0 – 200	98	F	20-29	1
France	17 – 54	98-02	0	0-19	9
Germany	19,000 – 57,500	94-99	F	50-79	
Hungary	0 – 5	97-01	F	>80	24
Rep. Ireland	8,100 – 8,700	94-00	0	0-19	
Latvia	0 – 10	90-01	?	–	32
Netherlands	260,000 – 260,000	99-01	+	62	3,4,8,9,11,12
Poland	(0 – 50)	90-00	(+)	(0-19)	114
Spain	0 – 50	90-01	0	0-19	
Sweden	50 – 100	98-01	+	>80	
UK	67,000 – 67,000	94-99	+	83	48,49
<b>Total (approx.)</b>	>370,000				
<b>% in European IBAs</b>	83-92				
		<b>Overall trend</b>	Large increase		
		<b>Gen. length</b>	7	% Global pop. 100	

