

# *Nucifraga caryocatactes*

## SPOTTED NUTCRACKER

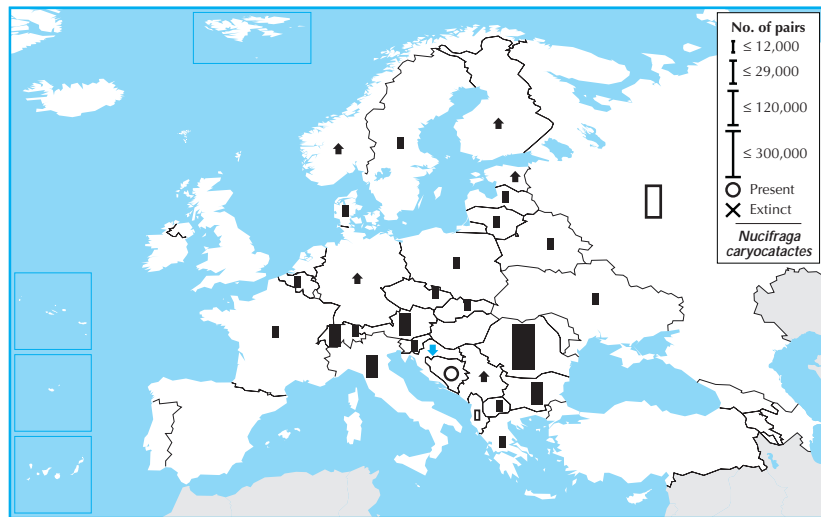


**Non-SPEC (1994: —) Status** Secure  
Criteria —

**European IUCN Red List Category** —  
Criteria —

**Global IUCN Red List Category** —  
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*Nucifraga caryocatactes* is a widespread resident in the boreal zone, and also occurs more patchily in the mountains of central and south-eastern Europe, which accounts for less than half of its global range. Its European breeding population is large (>400,000 pairs), and was stable between 1970–1990. Although no trend was available for the sizeable Russian population during 1990–2000, the key population in Romania remained stable, and the species was stable or increased in the vast majority of its European range. Consequently, it is evaluated as Secure.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Albania	(100 – 500)	02	?	–	
Austria	(20,000 – 40,000)	98–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Belarus	1,500 – 4,000	97–02	0	0–19	
Belgium	200 – 500	95–02	0	0–19	1
Bosnia & HG	Present	90–03	?	–	
Bulgaria	10,000 – 30,000	96–02	0	0–19	
Croatia	(500 – 800)	02	(–)	(>80)	16
Czech Rep.	2,500 – 5,000	00	0	0–19	
Denmark	(1 – 7)	98–01	(F)	(–)	4,5,6,7
Estonia	5,000 – 10,000	98	+	20–29	1
Finland	1,500 – 2,500	98–02	+	10	
France	2,500 – 10,000	98–02	F	20–49	4
Germany	8,000 – 17,000	95–99	+	0–19	
Greece	(50 – 100)	95–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Italy	(10,000 – 30,000)	03	(0)	(0–19)	
Latvia	5,000 – 20,000	90–00	(0)	(0–19)	23,18
Liechtenstein	40 – 50	98–00	0	0–19	
Lithuania	(5,000 – 10,000)	99–01	(0)	(0–19)	20
Macedonia	(500 – 2,000)	90–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Norway	(100 – 1,000)	90–03	+	0–19	63
Poland	(2,000 – 5,000)	95–00	(0)	(0–19)	1,27
Romania	(240,000 – 360,000)	00–02	(0)	(0–19)	48
Russia	(50,000 – 250,000)	90–00	?	–	
Serbia & MN	<b>1,600 – 2,200</b>	95–02	+	0–19	1,149,155,227, 225,150
Slovakia	4,000 – 8,000	90–99	0	0–19	
Slovenia	2,000 – 3,000	94	(0)	(0–19)	
Sweden	5,000 – 15,000	99–00	F	30–49	
Switzerland	<b>20,000 – 30,000</b>	93–96	0	0–19	
Ukraine	<b>3,300 – 3,600</b>	90–00	<b>0</b>	<b>0–19</b>	
<b>Total (approx.)</b>	<b>400,000 – 860,000</b>		<b>Overall trend</b>	<b>Stable</b>	
<b>Breeding range</b>	<b>&gt;2,000,000 km<sup>2</sup></b>		<b>Gen. length.</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>% Global pop.</b> 25–49

2000 population	82	13	5
1990 population	4	40	56
Data quality (%) – <i>Nucifraga caryocatactes</i>			
□ unknown □ poor ■ medium ■ good			
1990–2000 trend	20	63	16
1970–1990 trend	4	53	43