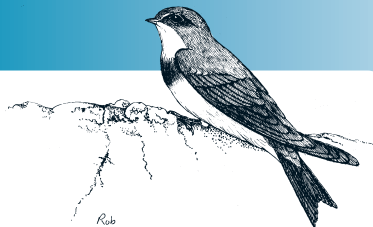


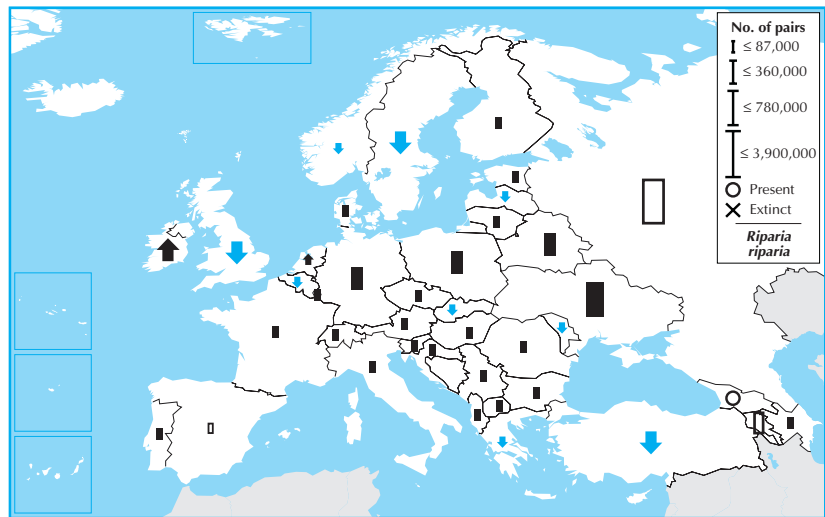
# Riparia riparia

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**SPEC 3** (1994: 3) **Status** (Depleted)  
**Criteria** Moderate historical decline  
**European IUCN Red List Category** —  
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**Global IUCN Red List Category** —  
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*Riparia riparia* is a widespread summer visitor to Europe, which accounts for less than a quarter of its global breeding range. Its European breeding population is very large (>5,400,000 pairs), but underwent a moderate decline between 1970–1990. Although declines continued in a number of countries during 1990–2000, the species was stable across most of Europe (the trend in Russia was unknown), and probably declined only slightly overall. Nevertheless, its population size remains far below the level that preceded its decline, and consequently it is provisionally evaluated as Depleted.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag. %	References
Albania	1,500 – 4,000	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Armenia	250,000 – 500,000	90–02	?	–	
Austria	<b>8,000 – 12,000</b>	98–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Azerbaijan	(10,000 – 50,000)	96–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Belarus	200,000 – 300,000	97–02	(0)	(0–19)	
Belgium	<b>9,400 – 11,000</b>	95–02	–	20–29	1
Bulgaria	20,000 – 80,000	96–02	0	0–19	
Croatia	(25,000 – 40,000)	02	(0)	(0–19)	70,16,44
Czech Rep.	15,000 – 30,000	00	0	10–19	
Denmark	20,000 – 40,000	00	F	50–79	
Estonia	20,000 – 50,000	98	0	0–19	1
Finland	50,000 – 100,000	98–02	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	
France	50,000 – 150,000	98–02	(F)	(20–49)	4
Georgia	Present	03	?	–	
Germany	106,000 – 210,000	95–99	0	0–19	
Greece	(10,000 – 20,000)	95–00	(–)	(0–19)	
Hungary	40,000 – 165,000	99–02	0	0–19	20
Rep. Ireland	100,000 – 250,000	88–91	+	20–29	
Italy	8,000 – 9,000	03	F	20–29	
Latvia	(30,000 – 100,000)	90–00	(–)	(0–19)	23,17
Lithuania	(50,000 – 150,000)	99–01	(0)	(0–19)	20
Luxembourg	<b>100 – 200</b>	02	<b>0</b>	<b>0–19</b>	
Macedonia	(1,000 – 5,000)	90–00	(0)	(0–19)	
Moldova	7,200 – 7,800	90–00	–	30–49	
Netherlands	<b>18,500 – 32,000</b>	98–00	+	<b>63</b>	1
Norway	(50,000 – 100,000)	90–03	–	20–29	27
Poland	(150,000 – 300,000)	90–00	0	0–19	1
Portugal	(10,000 – 100,000)	02	(0)	(0–19)	
Romania	55,000 – 80,000	00–02	0	0–19	32,55
Russia	(3,000,000 – 5,000,000)	90–00	?	–	8,104,122
Serbia & MN	<b>50,000 – 65,000</b>	97–02	0	10–19	1,114,174,29, 155,67a,78,214
Slovakia	10,000 – 20,000	80–99	–	30–49	
Slovenia	<b>200 – 800</b>	99–00	<b>F</b>	<b>&gt;80</b>	
Spain	(20,000 – 100,000)	90–00	?	–	13,12,10,7
Sweden	100,000 – 150,000	99–00	–	30–49	
Switzerland	<b>5,500 – 6,500</b>	93–96	<b>F</b>	<b>20–29</b>	
Turkey	(100,000 – 250,000)	01	(–)	(20–29)	
Ukraine	750,000 – 800,000	90–00	0	0–19	
UK	<b>66,300 – 211,000</b>	00	–	<b>22</b>	5,31
<b>Total (approx.)</b>	<b>5,400,000 – 9,500,000</b>		<b>Overall trend Unknown</b>		
<b>Breeding range</b>	<b>&gt;7,000,000 km<sup>2</sup></b>		<b>Gen. length. &lt;3.3 %</b>	<b>Global pop. 5–24</b>	
			(See p. 186, bottom, for data quality graph)		