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## ***Montifringilla nivalis* (White-winged Snowfinch)**

### **European Red List of Birds**

### **Supplementary Material**

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#### **Further information**

<http://datazone.birdlife.org/info/euroredlist>  
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<http://www.iucnredlist.org/regions/europe>  
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**Table 1.** Reported national breeding population size and trends in Europe<sup>1</sup>.

Country (or territory) <sup>2</sup>	Population estimate				Short-term population trend <sup>5</sup>				Long-term population trend <sup>5</sup>				Subspecific population (where relevant)
	Size (pairs) <sup>3</sup>	Europe (%)	Year(s)	Method <sup>4</sup>	Direction <sup>6</sup>	Magnitude (%) <sup>7</sup>	Year(s)	Method <sup>4</sup>	Direction <sup>6</sup>	Magnitude (%) <sup>7</sup>	Year(s)	Method <sup>4</sup>	
Albania	25–80	<1	2007-2018	partial	-	-88 to -87	2007-2018	partial	-	-93 to -90	1980-2018	expert	
Andorra	0	<1	2014-2017	expert	?		2011-2018	deficient	?				
Armenia	2300–3500	1	2013-2018	complete	-	-10 to -7	2007-2018	complete	-	-20 to -10	2003-2018	partial	
Austria	5000–10000	3	2013-2018	partial	-		2007-2018	complete	?		1981-2018	deficient	
Azerbaijan	2000–10000	2	1996-2019	expert	0		2013-2019	expert	?		1980-2019	expert	
Bosnia & HG	20–50	<1	2015-2018	complete	?		2007-2018	deficient	?		1980-2018	deficient	
France	2000–4000	1	2013-2018	partial	?		2007-2017	deficient	?		1989-2017	deficient	
Georgia	610–6100	<1	2013-2017	partial	?			deficient	?				
Germany	140–270	<1	2016-2016	expert	0		2004-2016	expert	0		1980-2016	expert	
Greece	200–300	<1	2015	partial	0		2007-2018	partial	?		1980-2018	deficient	
Italy	4000–8000	2	2013-2018	expert	?		2007-2018	deficient	+	30 to 35	1993-2018	expert	
Kosovo	20–40	<1	2007-2019	partial	+		2007-2018	partial	?		1990-2018	partial	
North Macedonia	50–150	<1	2014-2019	expert	0		2007-2018	expert	?		1980-2019		
Montenegro	200–500	<1	2002-2012	expert	0		2007-2018	expert	?				
Russia	700–1700	<1	2008-2018	partial	-	-79 to -50	2008-2018	expert	-	-85 to -80	1980-2018	expert	
Serbia	25–40	<1	2013-2018	expert	?	-10 to 10	2007-2018	expert	?	-10 to 10	1980-2018	expert	
Slovenia	100–300	<1	2002-2018	partial	?		2007-2018	deficient	?		1980-2018	deficient	
Spain	4500–6000	2	1998-2002	complete	0		2001-2012	complete	0		1980-2012	complete	
Switzerland	6000–9000	3	2013–2016	partial	0	-20 to 10	2007-2018	complete	-	-23 to -9	1990-2018	complete	
Turkey	100000–500000	85	2002-2012	expert	?		2008-2019	deficient	?		1980-2013	deficient	
EU28	15900–28900	8											
<b>Europe</b>	<b>127000–560000</b>	<b>100</b>											

<sup>1</sup> See 'Sources' at end of factsheet, and for more details on individual EU Member State reports, see the Article 12 reporting portal at <http://bd.eionet.europa.eu/article12/report>.

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<sup>3</sup> In the few cases where population size estimates were reported in units other than those specified, they were converted to the correct units using standard correction factors.

<sup>4</sup> The 'method used' (replacing the data 'quality' assessment in the 2015 European Red List) is reported as: a) Complete: complete survey or a statistically robust estimate; b) Partial: based mainly on extrapolation from a limited amount of data; c) Expert: based mainly on expert opinion with very limited data; d) Deficient: insufficient or no data available.

<sup>5</sup> The robustness of regional trends to the effects of any missing or incomplete data was tested using plausible scenarios, based on other sources of information, including any other reported information, recent national Red Lists, scientific literature, other publications and consultation with relevant experts.

<sup>6</sup> Trend directions are reported as: increasing (+); decreasing (-); stable (0); fluctuating (F); or unknown (?).

<sup>7</sup> Trend magnitudes are rounded to the nearest integer.

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**Table 2.** Reported national wintering population sizes and trends in Europe<sup>1</sup>. Note that some countries within the species' wintering range did not report any data, and that only minimum totals are presented, to avoid double-counting of birds moving between countries.

Country (or territory) <sup>2</sup>	Population estimate				Short-term population trend <sup>5</sup>				Long-term population trend <sup>5</sup>				Subspecific population (where relevant)
	Size (individuals) <sup>3</sup>	Europe (%)	Year(s)	Method <sup>4</sup>	Direction <sup>6</sup>	Magnitude (%) <sup>7</sup>	Year(s)	Method <sup>4</sup>	Direction <sup>6</sup>	Magnitude (%) <sup>7</sup>	Year(s)	Method <sup>4</sup>	
Andorra		<1			?				?				
Europe	0	100											

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## Trend maps

A symbol appears in each country where the species occurs: the shape and colour of the symbol represent the population trend in that country, and the size of the symbol corresponds to the proportion of the European population occurring in that country.

### KEY

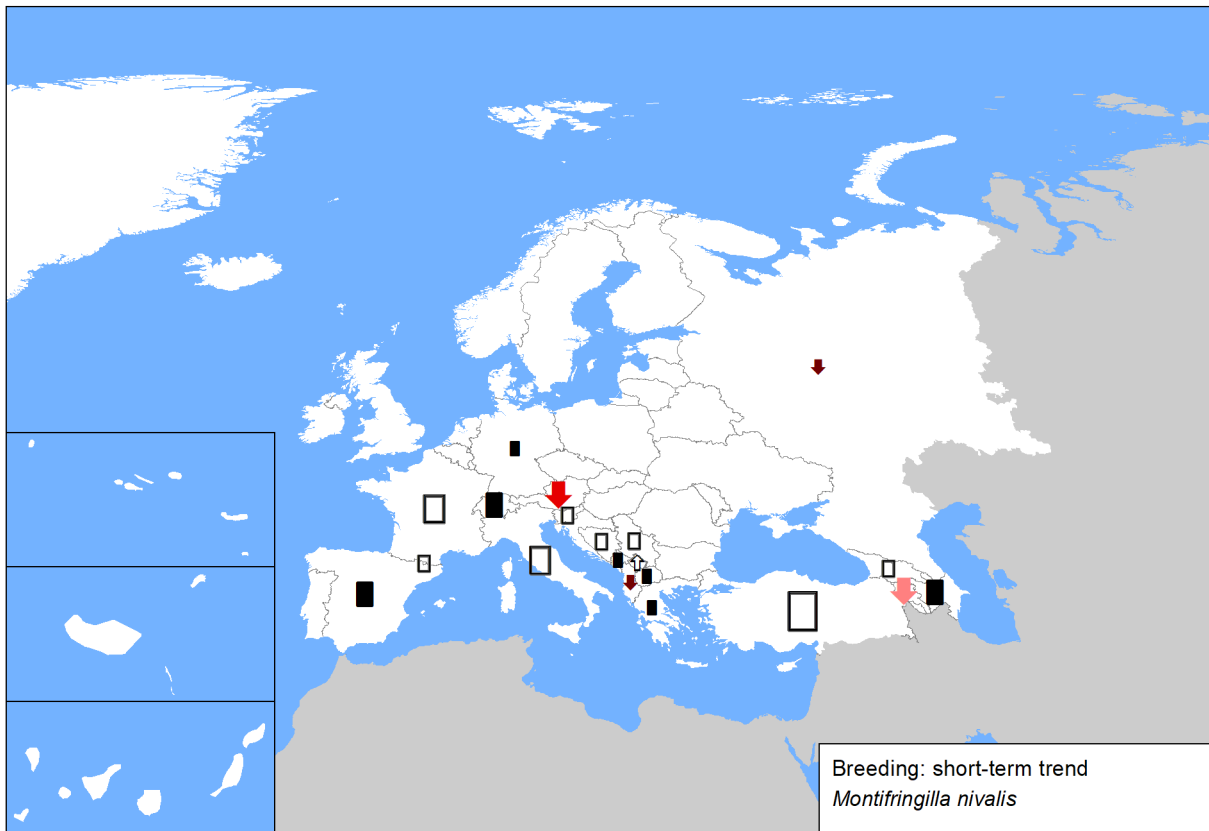
- |   |                                 |
|---|---------------------------------|
| ↑ Large increase (≥50%)                 | ↓ Large decrease (≥50%)         |
| ↑ Moderate increase (20–49%)            | ↓ Moderate decrease (20–49%)    |
| ↑ Small increase (<20%)                 | ↓ Small decrease (<20%)         |
| ↑ Increase of unknown magnitude         | ↓ Decrease of unknown magnitude |
| ■ Stable or fluctuating                 |                                 |
| □ Unknown                               |                                 |
| ○ Present (no population or trend data) |                                 |
| × Extinct since 1980                    |                                 |

Each symbol, with the exception of Present and Extinct, may occur in up to three different size classes, corresponding to the proportion of the European population occurring in that country.

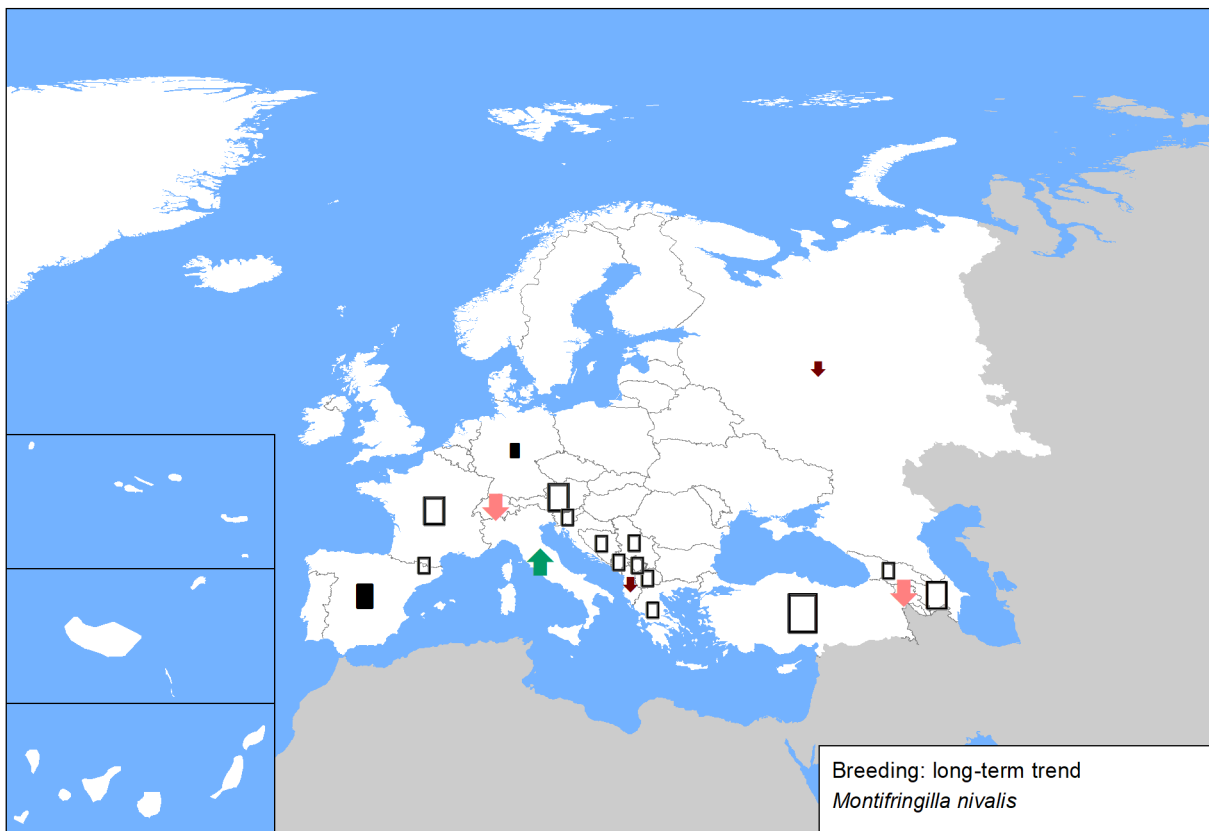
- ↑ Large: ≥10% of the European population
- ↑ Medium: 1–9% of the European population
- ↑ Small: <1% of the European population

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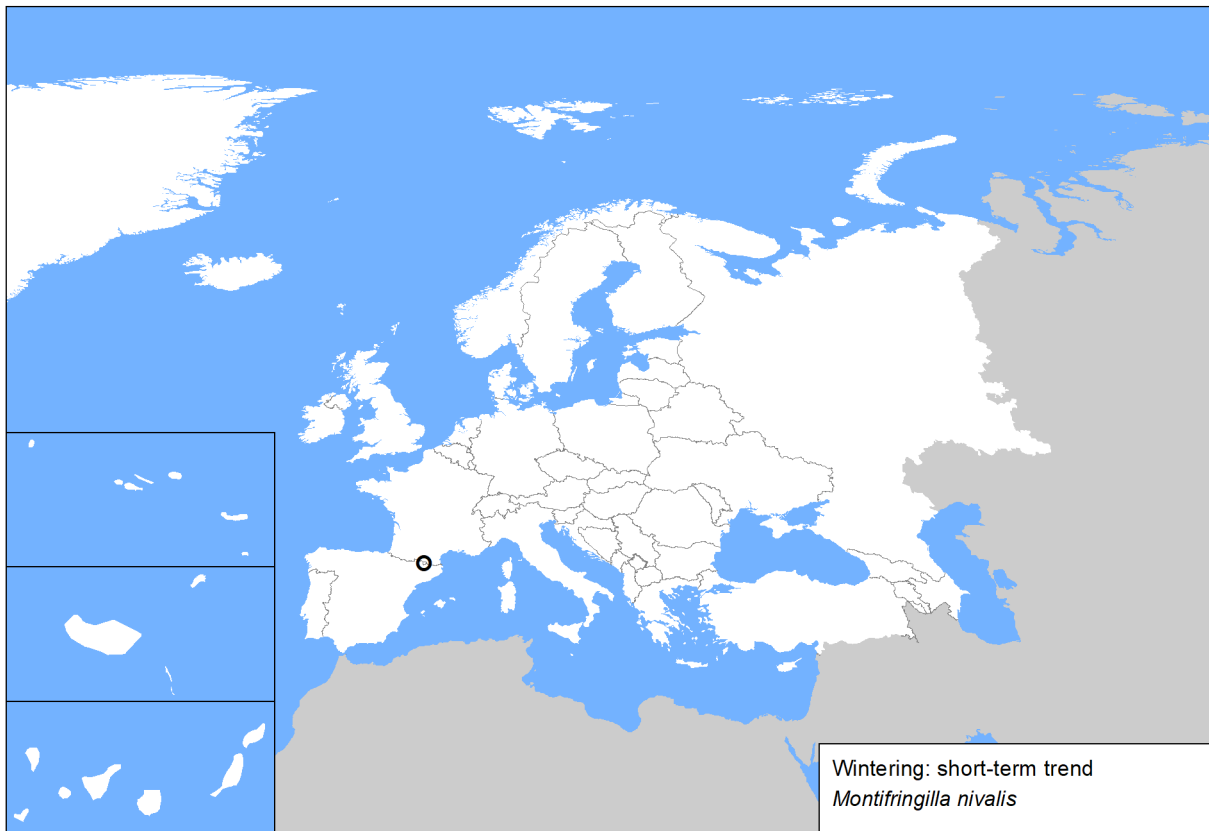
**Figure 1.** Breeding population sizes and short-term trends across Europe.



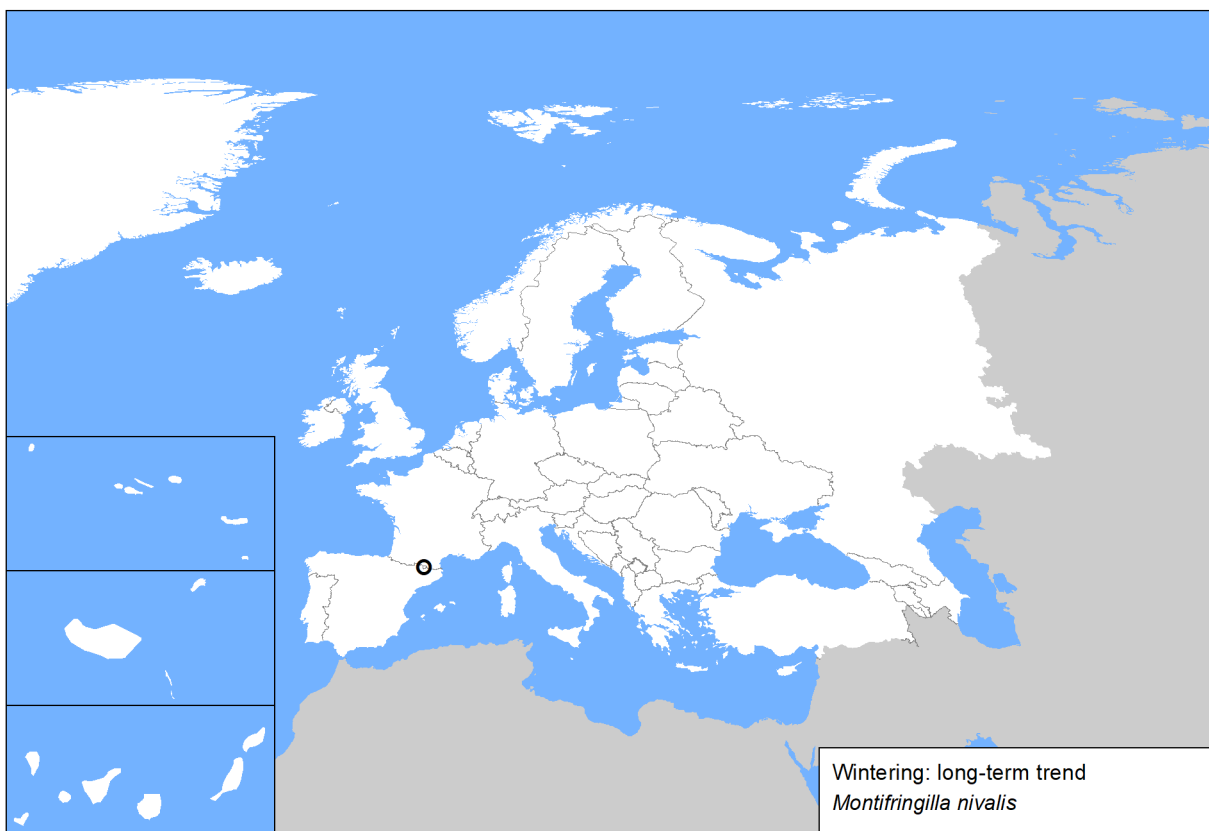
**Figure 2.** Breeding population sizes and long-term trends across Europe.



**Figure 3.** Reported wintering population sizes and short-term trends across Europe. Note that some countries within the species' wintering range did not report any data.



**Figure 4.** Reported wintering population sizes and long-term trends across Europe. Note that some countries within the species' wintering range did not report any data.



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<b>Winter short-term trend:</b> Population trend not analysed for wintering birds

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<b>Breeding short-term trend:</b> TSE (2020) The Atlas of the Breeding Birds in Armenia. In preparation.
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