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# Perdix perdix italica

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Grey Partridge, *Perdix perdix*, is a species of gamebird found in cropland, grassland, heathland and shrub and unvegetated or sparsely vegetated land ecosystems.

*Perdix perdix hispaniensis*, the subspecies endemic to Iberia, has a breeding population size of 5200-9300 pairs and a breeding range size of 57000 square kilometres in the EU27. The breeding population trend in the EU27 is Decreasing in the short term and Uncertain in the long term. *Perdix perdix italica*, the subspecies endemic to Italy, has a breeding population size of 0 pairs and a breeding range size of 0 square kilometres in the EU27. The breeding population trend in the EU27 is Decreasing in the long term. The subspecies had gone extinct in the EU27 by 2001. All other subspecies of *Perdix perdix* have a breeding population size of 1020000-2030000 pairs and a breeding range size of 1900000 square kilometres in the EU27.

The breeding population trend in the EU27 is Decreasing in the short term and Decreasing in the long term. The EU population status was assessed at the species level, *Perdix perdix*. *Perdix perdix* has a breeding population size of 1030000-2040000 pairs in the EU27. The breeding population trend in the EU27 is Decreasing in the short term and Decreasing in the long term.

The EU population status of *Perdix perdix* was assessed as Declining, because EU27 population or range declined by at least 20% since 1980, with continuing decline since 2001.

This factsheet was produced for *Perdix perdix italica*. Also other subspecies/populations of the same species occur within the EU27. The assessment of status at the European level and the introductory text were done at the species level in line with the criteria for assessment of the EU population status.

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# Assessment of status at the European level

Breeding population size	Breeding population trend		Range	Breeding range trend		Winter	Winter population trend		_Population
	Short term	Long term	area	Short term	Long term	population size	Short term	Long term	status
0 - 0 p	n	-	0	n	-				Declining

See the endnotes for more information<sup>i</sup>

The population status assessment at the EU level was carried out at the species level. The EU status assessment covers following subspecies/populations: *Perdix perdix* all others, *Perdix perdix hispaniensis*, *Perdix perdix italica* (each of them presented in a separate factsheet).

# Additional assessment at the subspecies level

Breeding	Breeding population trend		Range	Breeding range trend		_ Winter	Winter population trend		_Population
population size	Short term	Long term	area	Short term	Long term	population size	Short term	Long term	status
-									Extinct

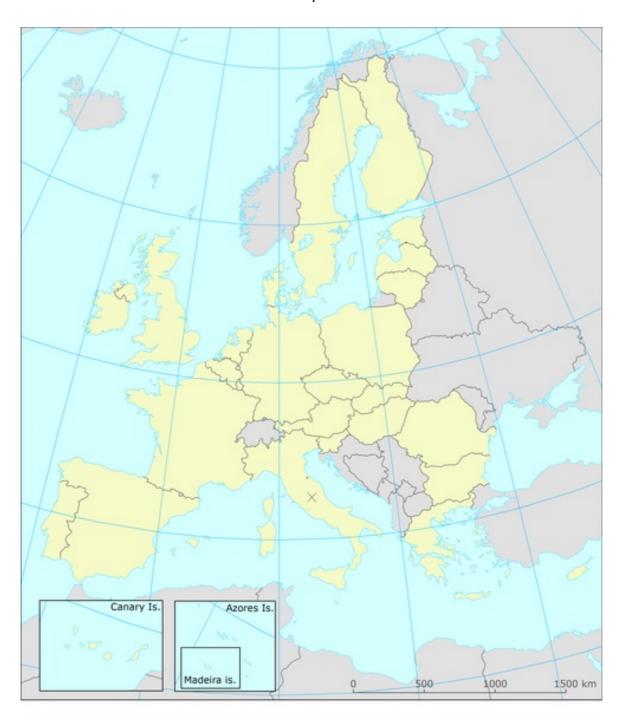
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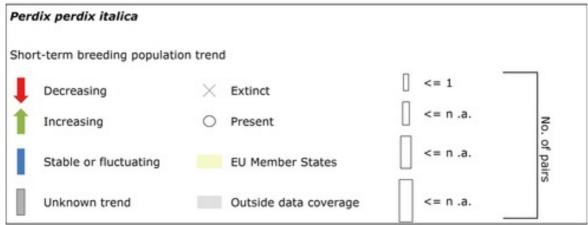
### Trends at the Member State level

MS/Ter. % in EU27	% in	Breeding		ding on trend	Range area	Breeding range trend		Winter population	Winter population trend	
	EU27	population size	Short term	Long term		Short term	Long term	size	Short term	Long term
IT		0 - 0 p	X	-	0	X	-			

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Short-term winter population trend was not reported for this species.

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 12 of the Birds Directive in 2013 and covering the period 2008-2012. More detailed information, including the MS reports, is available at: <a href="http://bd.eionet.europa.eu/article12/summary?period=1&subject=A414">http://bd.eionet.europa.eu/article12/summary?period=1&subject=A414</a>.

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<sup>1</sup> Assessment of status at the European level: The EU assessments of birds population status was made by the European Red List of Birds Consortium (under contract with the European Commission)

The EU27 population trends were assessed using these categories: '+' Increasing, '0' Stable, 'F' Fluctuating, '-' Decreasing, 'xu' Uncertain and 'x' Unknown. The breeding population size is estimated in majority of the cases as 'p' number of pairs. Alternative population units used are: 'males' number of males, 'i' number of individuals, 'cmales' number of calling males and 'bfem' number of breeding females. The winter population size is estimated as number of individuals.

<sup>ii</sup>Species trends at the Member State level: The percentage of the EU27 species population occurring in the Member States (% in EU27) is calculated based on the population size reported by the Member States.