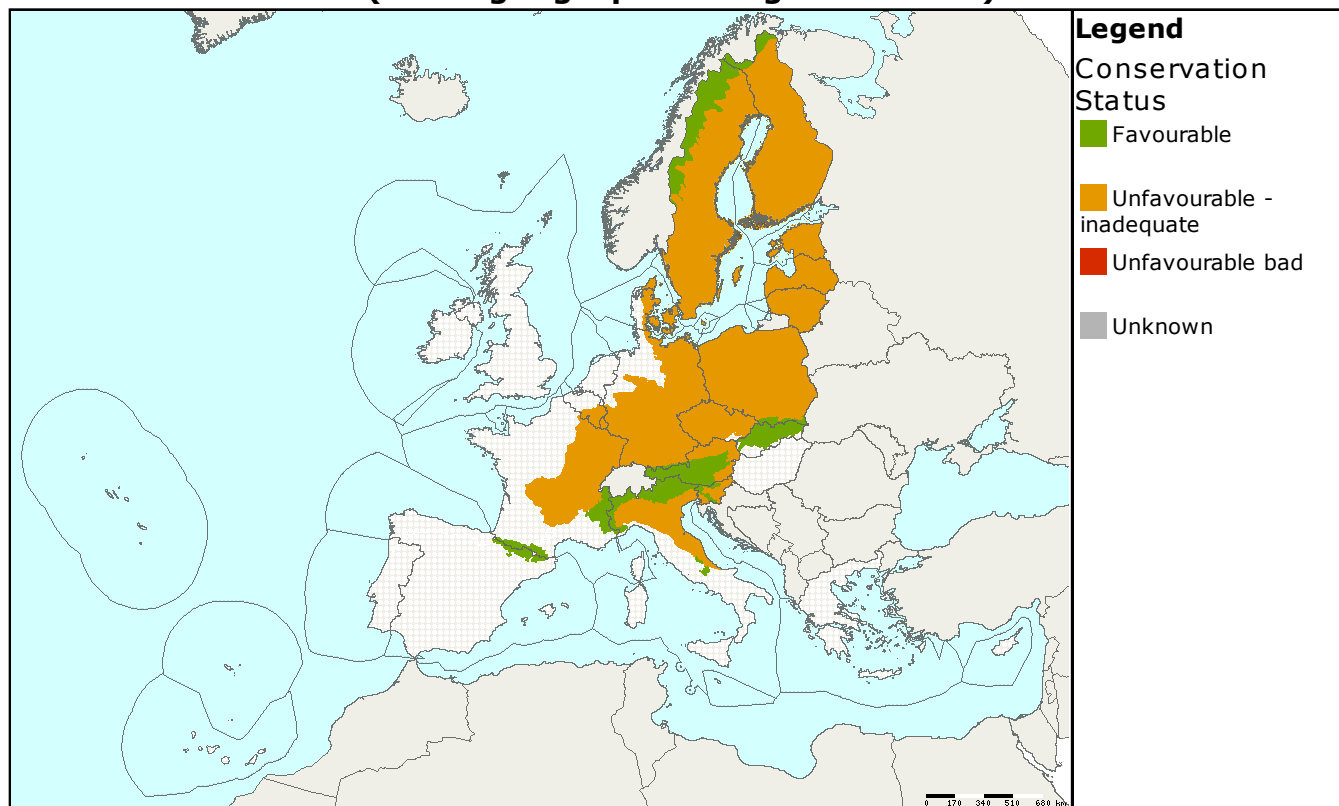


Habitat code: **3210**
 Habitat name: **Fennoscandian natural rivers**

Habitat group: **freshwater habitats**
 Regions: **ALP BOR CON**

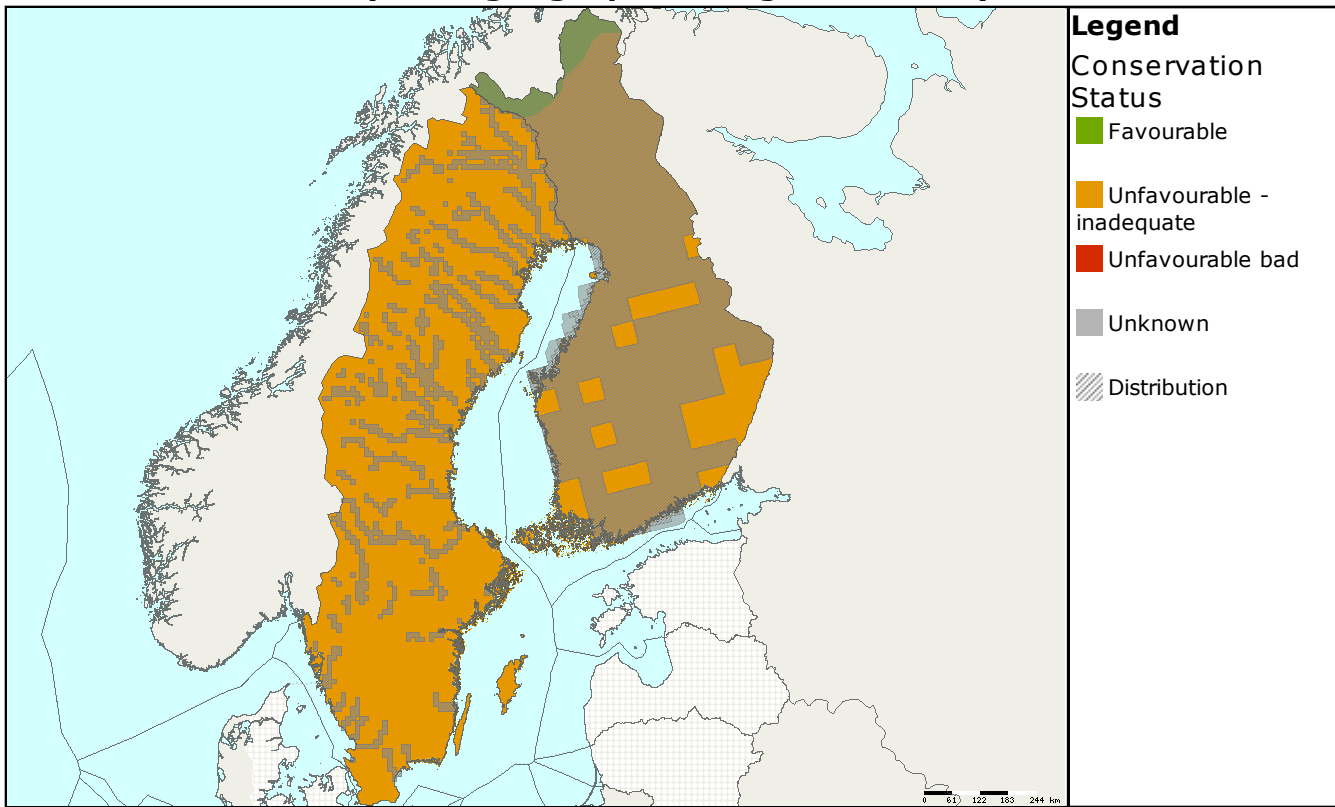
Assessments of conservation status at the European level (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Biogeographic Region	Conservation status assessment					Km ²	Trend in area
		Range	Area	Structure & function	Future prospects	Overall		
EU25	ALP	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	565	=
EU25	BOR	Green	Green	Orange	Orange	Orange	1078	=
EU25	CON	Green	Green	Orange	Orange	Orange	4	=

These are nutrient poor rivers in the Boreal and adjacent regions within Fennoscandia which are fed by glaciers and snow melt with large annual variation in water levels. The physical conditions lead to plant and animal communities unique in Europe. Assessed as 'favourable' by Finland for the Alpine region, which as Finland hosts more than ninety five percent of the area leads to the regional assessment also being 'favourable'. In the Boreal and Continental regions, although 'range' and 'area' are 'favourable', 'structure and function' and 'future prospects' are 'unfavourable-inadequate'. This is due to human impacts including alteration of the natural water regime.

Assessments of conservation status as reported by Member states (all biogeographical regions - EU25)



MS	Biogeographic Region	Conservation status assessment					Km ²	Trend in area	Data quality
		Range	Area	Structure & function	Future prospects	Overall			
FI	ALP						550	=	1
SE	ALP						15	=	3
FI	BOR						1000	=	3
SE	BOR						78	=	3
SE	CON						4	=	3

Data quality is based on an assessment by each Member State, 1 = good, 2 = medium, 3 = poor

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 17 of the Habitats Directive in 2007 and covering the period 2001-2006. More detailed information is available at <http://biodiversity.eionet.europa.eu/article17>