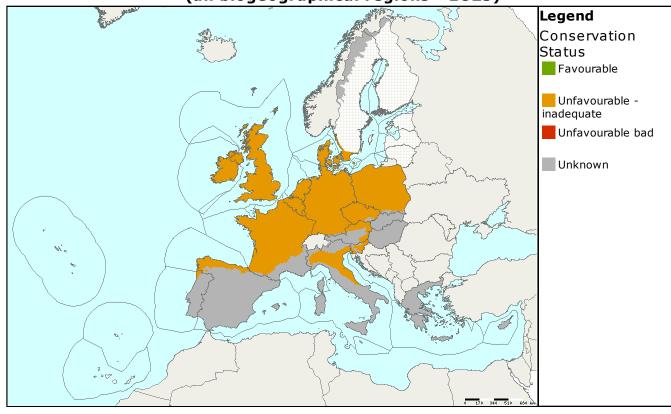
Annex: IV

Habitats Directive Article 17 Reporting

European Environment Agency

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

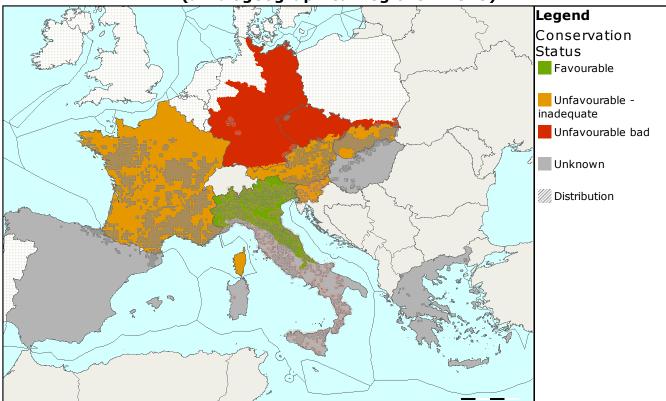


| MS | Region | | Conservatio | Population | Population | | | |
|------|--------|-------|-------------|------------|---------------------|---------|------------|-------|
| | | Range | Population | Habitat | Future prospects | Overall | | Trend |
| EU25 | ALP | | | | | | 968 grids | |
| EU25 | ATL | | | | | | 873 grids | |
| EU25 | CON | | | | | | 1429 grids | |
| EU25 | MED | | | | | | 1081 grids | |
| EU25 | PAN | | | | | | 328 grids | |

The Aesculapian snake is widely spread in Europe and it occurs in five geographical regions.

In four geographical regions (Alpine, Continental, Mediterranean and Pannonian) its status is largely 'unknown' due to a lack of data but sometimes likely to be 'unfavourable'. In the continental region the distribution is stated as 'favourable'. However, population and habitat trends were evaluated as 'unknown' or 'bad' and therefore the future prospects are considered as 'poor' or 'unfavourable'. The conservation status of this species is not tested by the IUCN. In order to determine its status it is essential to gather more data on population size and trends.





| MS | Region | Conservation status assessment | | | | | | Population | Data |
|----|--------|--------------------------------|------------|---------|---------------------|---------|---------------------|---------------------|---------|
| | | Range | Population | Habitat | Future prospects | Overall | Size&unit | Population trend | quality |
| AT | ALP | | | | | | 5200 - 10400 indiv. | - | 3 |
| DE | ALP | | | | | | 3 - (3) x | Х | 3 |
| ES | ALP | | | | | | 54 - (54) loc. | N/A | |
| FR | ALP | | | | | | N/A x | N/A | 2 |
| IT | ALP | | | | | | 167 - 202 grids | = | 1 |
| ΡL | ALP | | | | | | 100 - 200 indiv. | Х | 2 |
| SI | ALP | | | | | | N/A x | Х | 3 |
| SK | ALP | | | | | | 90 - 120 x | X | 3 |
| ES | ATL | | | | | | 40 - 45 loc. | N/A | |
| FR | ATL | | | | | | N/A x | - | 2 |
| AT | CON | | | | | | 6800 - 13600 indiv. | - | 3 |
| CZ | CON | | | | | | 13 - 13 grids | + | 2 |
| DE | CON | | | | | | 37 - (37) x | - | 2 |
| FR | CON | | | | | | N/A x | N/A | 2 |
| IT | CON | | | | | | 380 - 426 grids | - | 1 |
| SI | CON | | | | | | N/A x | Х | 3 |
| EL | MED | | | | | | 28 - (28) grids | Х | 3 |
| ES | MED | | | | | | 51 - 51 loc. | N/A | |
| FR | MED | | | | | | N/A x | = | 2 |
| IT | MED | | | | | | 461 - 485 grids | = | 2 |
| CZ | PAN | | | | | | 3 - 3 grids | + | 2 |
| ΗU | PAN | | | | | | 78 - 78 loc. | Х | 3 |
| SK | PAN | | | | | | 35 - 50 x | Х | 3 |

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

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