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## Chalcalburnus chalcoides

Annex	II
Priority	No
Species group	Fish
Regions	Mediterranean

This freshwater fish from the carp family is endemic to Greece and has a 'unfavourableinadequate' and deteriorating conservation status.

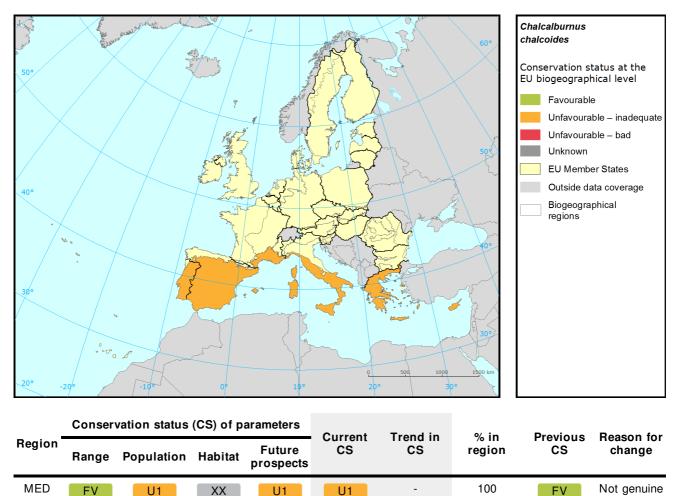
This is contrary to the assessment made by Greece in 2007 (favourable), but more coherent with the comment below (from the 2007 report) and the 2008 assessments made by IUCN for the two species covered by the name Chalcalburnus chalcoides macedonicus http://www.iucnredlist.org/details/135503/0, consulted 3 April 2014 http://www.iucnredlist.org/details/135641/0, consulted 3 April 2014

The taxonomy of this species changed recently. Below a transcription of the report from Greece about the status of the species: "According to Economidis (1991), in the Greek freshwater occurs the sub-species Chalcalburnus chalcoides macedonicus which has been described by Stephanidis (1971) from the lake Volvi and later it has been found in the lake Vistonis and in the stream Filiouris which is running throughout Komotini plain (Economidis, 1974) and flows in the lake Ismarida. However, more recent investigations proved that there are two separate species (Freyhof & Kottelat, 2007), one of which is named Alburnus vistonicus (from Vistonis) and the other Alburnus volviticus (from Volvi) (see also Kottelat & Freyhof, 2007). These two populations have to face some environmental problems, especially regarding their reproduction, which is often problematic by the ineffective migration to the spawning sites lying on the upper parts of streams flowing into the lakes. In many cases which appear to be more frequent recently - the migration is prohibited or failed because of the current (small volume, shallow, intermediated). The main reasons are the abstraction of the water for irrigation, the bad quality of the water due to the agricultural pollution and/or urban (sewage). Both species, however, have adapted their mode of life to a reproduction near the shore of the lakes where there are proper habitats with sand and/or stones and clean water."

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# Assessment of conservation status at the European biogeographical level



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### Assessment of conservation status at the Member State level



Chalcalburnus chalcoides				
Distribution and conservation status at the Member State level				
Favourable EU Member States   Unfavourable - inadequate Outside data coverage   Unfavourable - bad Biogeographical region   Unknown Finite States				

The map shows both Conservation Status and distribution using a 10 km x 10 km grid. Conservation status is assessed at biogeographical level. Therefore the representation in each grid cell is only illustrative.

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_	Conservation status of parameters				Current Trendin	9/ im	Previous	Reason	
MS Region	Range	Population	Habitat	Future prospects	Current CS	Trend in CS	% in region	CS	for change
GR MED	FV	FV	XX	FV	FV		100.0	FV	

Knowing that not all changes in conservation status between the reporting periods were genuine, Member States were asked to give the reasons for changes in conservation status. Bulgaria and Romania only joined the EU in 2007 and Greece did not report for 2007-12 so no reason is given for change for these countries. Greek data shown above is from 2001-06.

## Main pressures and threats reported by Member States

Member States were asked to report the 20 most important threats and pressures using an agreed hierarchical list which can be found on the Article 17 Reference Portal. Pressures are activities which are currently having an impact on the species and threats are activities expected to have an impact in the near future. Pressures and threats were ranked in three classes 'high, medium and low importance'; the tables below only show threats and pressures classed as 'high', for some species there were less than ten threats or pressures reported as highly important.

#### Ten most frequently reported 'highly important' pressures

Code Activity	Frequency
No 'highly important' pressures were reported.	

#### Ten most frequently reported 'highly important' threats

Code	Activity

Frequency

No 'highly important' threats were reported.

# Proportion of population covered by the Natura 2000 network

For species listed in the Annex II of the Directive Member States were asked to report the population size within the Natura 2000 network. The percentage of species population covered by the network was estimated by comparing the population size within the network and the total population size in the biogeographical/marine region.

#### Percentage of coverage by Natura 2000 sites in biogeographical/marine region

No data available.

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## Most frequently reported conservation measures

For species listed in the Annex II of the Directive Member States were asked to report up to 20 conservation measures being implemented for this species using an agreed list which can be found on the Article 17 Reference Portal. Member States were further requested to highlight up to five most important ('highly important') measures; the table below only shows measures classed as 'high', for many species there were less than ten measures reported as highly important.

#### Ten most frequently reported 'highly important' conservation measures

#### Code Measure

Frequency

No 'highly important' measures were reported.

This information is derived from the Member State national reports submitted to the European Commission under Article 17 of the Habitats Directive in 2013 and covering the period 2007-2012. More detailed information, including the MS reports, is available at: http://bd.eionet.europa.eu/article17/reports2012/species/summary/? group=Fish&period=3&subject=Chalcalburnus+chalcoides

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<sup>1</sup>Assessment of conservation status at the European biogeographical level: Current Conservation Status (Current CS) shows the status for the reporting period 2007-2012, Previous Conservation Status (Previous CS) for the reporting period 2000-2006. Reason for change in conservation status between the reporting periods indicates whether the changes in the status were genuine or not genuine. Previous Conservation Status was not assessed for Steppic, Black Sea and Marine Black Sea regions. For these regions the Previous status is therefore considered as 'unknown'. The percentage of the species population occurring within the biogeographical/marine region (% in region) is calculated based on the area of GIS distribution.

<sup>II</sup>Percentage of coverage by Natura 2000 sites in biogeographical/marine region: In some cases the population size within the Natura 2000 network has been estimated using a different methodology to the estimate of overall population size and this can lead to percentage covers greater than 100%. In such case the value has been given as 100% and highlighted with an asterisk (\*). The value 'x' indicates that the Member State has not reported the species population and/or the coverage by Natura 2000. No information is available for Greece. The values are only provided for regions, in which the occurrence of the species has been reported by the Member States.