



# THE POPULATION STATUS OF BIRDS IN THE UK

Birds of conservation concern: 2002–2007

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**The leading governmental and non-governmental conservation organisations in the UK have reviewed the population status of the birds that are regularly found here.**

A total of 247 species has been assessed, and each has been placed onto one of three lists – red, amber or green. Forty species are red-listed, 121 are amber-listed and 86 are green-listed.

<sup>1</sup>This review covers the UK, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.



**Red kite:**  
moves from the red list to the amber list



**Lowland woodland:**  
several birds of this habitat enter the red and amber lists





Lesser spotted woodpecker:  
one of three woodland species new to the red list



Capercaillie:  
still in steep decline and still on the red list



The lists update earlier assessments, *Birds of conservation concern* and *Birds of conservation importance*, which were published in 1996. The population status of birds is reviewed every five years to keep track of changes in abundance and range. The new lists are based on the most up-to-date information available, principally:

- information on the global and European conservation status of UK bird species from BirdLife International's *Threatened Birds of the World* and *Birds in Europe*
- information on trends in breeding populations and range sizes from the BTO<sup>2</sup>/JNCC<sup>3</sup> Common Birds Census and Waterways Bird Survey; the BTO/JNCC/RSPB<sup>4</sup> Breeding Bird Survey; the JNCC/RSPB/SOTEAG<sup>5</sup> seabird monitoring programme and Seabird 2000; the Rare Breeding Birds Panel; single-species surveys, mostly undertaken as part of the SCARABBS<sup>6</sup> agreement; and the BTO/SOC<sup>7</sup>/IWC<sup>8</sup> *New Atlas of Breeding Birds*
- information on population trends in non-breeding waterbirds from the WWT<sup>9</sup>/BTO/JNCC/RSPB Wetland Bird Survey and WWT/JNCC goose counts
- information on species' distributions from BirdLife's *Important Bird Areas in Europe* and JNCC's *The UK SPA Network*
- information on population sizes in the UK and Europe from the Avian Population Estimates Panel and BirdLife/EBCC's<sup>10</sup> *European Bird Populations: Estimates and Trends*.



Starling:  
new to the red list

# THE CRITERIA

Seven quantitative criteria were used to assess the population status of each species and place it onto the red, amber or green list. These criteria are listed below. The review excluded species that are not native to the UK<sup>1</sup> and those that occur irregularly as vagrants or scarce migrants.

- **GLOBAL CONSERVATION STATUS**

Species assessed as Globally Threatened using IUCN<sup>11</sup> criteria were placed on the red list.

- **RECENT DECLINE**

Species whose breeding or non-breeding population declined, or range contracted, rapidly (by more than 50%) or moderately (by between 25 and 49%) over the last 25 years were placed on the red and amber lists respectively.

- **HISTORICAL DECLINE**

Species whose populations declined severely between 1800 and 1995 were placed on the red list, except for those that have recovered substantially (more than doubled) in the last 25 years, which were amber-listed<sup>12</sup>. In earlier assessments, all species showing a serious historical decline were red-listed, but in this assessment the success of recent conservation action has been recognised by moving recovering species to the amber list.

- **EUROPEAN CONSERVATION STATUS**

Species whose population status is unfavourable in Europe (but which are not Globally Threatened) were placed on the amber list.

- **RARE BREEDERS**

Species with a mean population size of 1–300 pairs breeding annually over the last five years were placed on the amber list. If a full census was carried out in a single year, the result of this was used instead of a five-year mean.

- **LOCALISED SPECIES**

Species for which 50% or more of the breeding or non-breeding population occurs at 10 or fewer sites were placed on the amber list. This criterion was used because a species whose population is confined to a few sites faces a greater threat from chance events than one whose population is widespread. The sites considered were either Important Bird Areas (identified by BirdLife International) or Special Protection Areas (designated under the European Union's Directive on the Conservation of Wild Birds).

- **INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANCE**

Species with 20% or more of their European population breeding in the UK were placed on the amber list, as were non-breeding wildfowl with 20% or more of their northwest European population occurring in the UK and non-breeding waders with 20% or more of their East Atlantic Flyway population occurring in the UK. This criterion is different from the others as it is a measure of the UK's responsibility for each species rather than the extent to which species are threatened.

- Red list species are those that are Globally Threatened according to IUCN criteria; those whose population or range has declined rapidly in recent years; and those that have declined historically and not shown a substantial recent recovery.
- Amber list species are those with an unfavourable conservation status in Europe; those whose population or range has declined moderately in recent years; those whose population has declined historically but made a substantial recent recovery; rare breeders; and those with internationally important or localised populations.
- Species that fulfil none of the criteria are green-listed.



**Ringed plover:**  
amber-listed because it is declining in winter



**Corncrake:**  
gradually recovering but still red-listed



**Lowland farmland:**  
birds of this habitat remain prominent on the red list

# CONSERVATION IMPLICATIONS

The new listings describe the population status of each species and will, when combined with additional information, help to guide conservation action between 2002 and 2007. Importantly, both non-governmental and governmental organisations have endorsed the new lists. The JNCC will use this objective review as one element of its ongoing Species Status Assessment Programme, which will in turn inform the revision of the UK Biodiversity Action Plan.



**Roseate tern:  
the only seabird on the red list**





**Skylark:**  
stays on the red list despite a range of conservation initiatives

- **FARMLAND BIRDS**

The 1996 assessments helped to focus attention on a suite of widespread but rapidly declining birds of farmed land, such as the turtle dove, the skylark and the corn bunting. It is generally accepted that these species have declined because of agricultural intensification, and in the last few years a range of schemes have been introduced to help them. All of the birds of farmed land that were on the red list in the earlier assessments are still there. In addition, another farmland bird, the yellowhammer, has joined them. Many red list species remain relatively common in the countryside, despite substantial declines.

- **WOODLAND AND URBAN BIRDS**

Birds from two new groups appear on the red list: lowland woodland birds and urban birds. The red-listed woodland birds are the lesser spotted woodpecker, the marsh tit and the willow tit, which have declined by 73%, 50% and 80% respectively over the last 25 years. A number of other woodland species have entered the amber list. The urban species new to the red list are, remarkably, the house sparrow and the starling, both of which were formerly ubiquitous but have declined by more than 60%. In contrast to the situation with farmland birds, we do not know why these woodland and urban species have declined, and urgently need to find out. As with farmland birds, some of these species remain quite common despite severe declines.

- **NORTHERN / UPLAND BIRDS**

Several species characteristic of Scotland, Wales or northern England, such as the capercaillie and the black grouse, remain on the red list because of continuing steep declines. Others, such as the corncrake and the white-tailed eagle, are still red-listed although their numbers are increasing due to successful conservation action. One upland bird, the ring ouzel, is new to the red list.

- **SUCCESSSES**

Although the overall number of species on the red list has increased since the last assessment (from 36 to 40), five species have moved from red to amber. The populations of the red kite, marsh harrier, osprey, merlin and Dartford warbler have more than doubled in the last 25 years, even though they had declined substantially previously. Much of the recent recovery in these species is due to the success of targeted conservation action.

While it is encouraging to see the success of conservation actions for some of our rare species, reversing the declines of widespread and common species remains a key challenge in bird conservation today.

## FOOTNOTES

- 1 This review covers the UK, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man.
- 2 British Trust for Ornithology
- 3 Joint Nature Conservation Committee
- 4 The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
- 5 Shetland Oil Terminal Environmental Advisory Group
- 6 Statutory Conservation Agencies and RSPB Annual Breeding Bird Scheme
- 7 Scottish Ornithologists' Club
- 8 Irish Wildbird Conservancy (now BirdWatch Ireland)
- 9 The Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust
- 10 European Bird Census Council
- 11 The World Conservation Union
- 12 However, globally threatened species and those with populations of fewer than 100 breeding pairs in the UK remain red-listed.



**The uplands:**  
Several upland birds remain on the red list, with the ring ouzel being added

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# RED LIST SPECIES – high conservation concern

| SPECIES                          | RED LISTING CRITERIA |    |     |     | ADDITIONAL AMBER-LISTING CRITERIA |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|----|-----|-----|-----------------------------------|------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|
|                                  | IUCN                 | HD | BDp | BDr | BDMp                              | BDMr | SPEC 2 OR 3 | BR | BL | WL | BI | WI |
| Bittern                          | *                    |    | *   | *   |                                   |      | *           |    |    | *  |    |    |
| Common scoter                    |                      |    |     | *   |                                   | *    |             | *  |    | *  |    |    |
| White-tailed eagle               | *                    |    |     |     |                                   |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Hen harrier                      | *                    |    |     |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Black grouse                     | *                    |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Capercaillie                     |                      |    | *   | *   |                                   |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Grey partridge <sup>1</sup>      |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Quail                            | *                    |    |     |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Corncrake                        | *                    | *  |     | *   |                                   |      |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Stone-curlew                     |                      |    |     | *   |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Black-tailed godwit              | *                    |    |     |     |                                   | *    | *           |    | *  |    |    | *  |
| Red-necked phalarope             | *                    |    |     |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Roseate tern                     |                      |    | *   | *   |                                   | *    | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Turtle dove <sup>1</sup>         |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Nightjar                         |                      |    | *   | *   |                                   | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Wryneck                          | *                    | *  | *   | *   |                                   | *    | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Lesser spotted woodpecker        |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Woodlark                         |                      |    |     | *   |                                   | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Skylark <sup>1</sup>             |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Ring ouzel                       |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Song thrush <sup>1</sup>         |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Grasshopper warbler <sup>1</sup> |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Savi's warbler                   |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Aquatic warbler                  | *                    |    |     |     |                                   | *    |             |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Marsh warbler                    |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Spotted flycatcher <sup>1</sup>  |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Marsh tit <sup>1</sup>           |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Willow tit <sup>1</sup>          |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Red-backed shrike                | *                    | *  | *   | *   |                                   | *    | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Starling <sup>1</sup>            |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| House sparrow <sup>1</sup>       |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Tree sparrow <sup>1</sup>        |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Linnet <sup>1</sup>              |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Twite                            |                      | *  |     |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Scottish crossbill               | *                    |    |     |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    | *  |    |
| Bullfinch <sup>1</sup>           |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Yellowhammer <sup>1</sup>        |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Cirl bunting                     |                      |    |     | *   |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Reed bunting <sup>1</sup>        |                      |    | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Corn bunting <sup>1</sup>        |                      | *  | *   |     |                                   | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |

## RED LIST CRITERIA

- **IUCN** Globally Threatened
- **HD** Historical population decline in UK during 1800–1995
- **BDp** Rapid ( $\geq 50\%$ ) decline in UK breeding population over last 25 years
- **BDr** Rapid ( $\geq 50\%$ ) contraction of UK breeding range over last 25 years

## ADDITIONAL AMBER-LISTING CRITERIA

- **BDMp** Moderate (25–49%) decline in UK breeding population over last 25 years
- **BDMr** Moderate (25–49%) contraction of UK breeding range over last 25 years
- **SPEC 2 or 3** Species with unfavourable conservation status in Europe (SPEC = Species of European Conservation Concern)
- **BR** Five-year mean of 1–300 breeding pairs in UK
- **BL**  $\geq 50\%$  of UK breeding population in 10 or fewer sites, but not rare breeders (BR)
- **WL**  $\geq 50\%$  of UK non-breeding population in 10 or fewer sites
- **BI**  $\geq 20\%$  of European breeding population in UK
- **WI**  $\geq 20\%$  of NW European (wildfowl), East Atlantic Flyway (waders) or European (others) non-breeding populations in UK

<sup>1</sup>UK population >10,000 pairs

# AMBER LIST SPECIES – medium conservation concern

## AMBER LIST CRITERIA

- **HDrec** Historical population decline during 1800–1995, but recovering; population size has more than doubled over last 25 years
- **BDMp** Moderate (25–49%) decline in UK breeding population over last 25 years

- **BDMr** Moderate (25–49%) contraction of UK breeding range over last 25 years
- **WDMp** Moderate (25–49%) decline in UK non-breeding population over last 25 years
- **SPEC 2 or 3** Species with unfavourable conservation status in Europe (SPEC = Species of European Conservation Concern)

| SPECIES              | HDrec | BDMp | BDMr | WDMp | SPEC 2 OR 3 | BR | BL | WL | BI | WI |
|----------------------|-------|------|------|------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Red-throated diver   | *     |      |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Black-throated diver |       |      |      | *    | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Great northern diver |       |      |      |      |             |    |    |    |    | *  |
| Red-necked grebe     |       |      |      |      | *           |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Slavonian grebe      | *     |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Black-necked grebe   |       |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Fulmar               |       |      |      |      |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Manx shearwater      |       |      |      | *    | *           |    |    | *  |    |    |
| Storm petrel         |       |      |      | *    | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Leach's petrel       |       |      |      | *    | *           |    |    | *  |    |    |
| Gannet               |       |      |      | *    | *           |    |    | *  |    |    |
| Cormorant            |       |      |      |      |             | *  |    |    |    | *  |
| Shag                 |       |      |      |      |             | *  |    | *  |    |    |
| Little egret         |       |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Spoonbill            |       |      |      | *    | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Mute swan            |       |      |      |      |             |    |    | *  |    |    |
| Bewick's swan        |       |      |      | *    |             |    | *  |    | *  |    |
| Whooper swan         |       |      |      |      | *           |    | *  |    | *  |    |
| Bean goose           |       |      |      |      |             |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Pink-footed goose    |       |      |      |      |             |    | *  |    | *  |    |
| White-fronted goose  |       |      | E    |      |             |    | *  |    |    | G  |
| Greylag goose        |       |      |      |      |             | *  | *  |    | *  |    |
| Barnacle goose       |       |      |      | *    |             | *  | *  |    | *  |    |
| Brent goose          |       |      |      | *    |             | *  | *  |    | *  |    |
| Shelduck             |       |      |      |      |             | *  | *  |    | *  |    |
| Wigeon               |       |      |      |      |             | *  | *  |    | *  |    |
| Gadwall              |       |      |      | *    | *           |    | *  |    | *  |    |
| Teal                 |       |      |      |      |             |    |    |    | *  |    |
| Pintail              |       |      |      | *    | *           | *  | *  |    | *  |    |
| Garganey             |       |      |      | *    | *           |    | *  |    | *  |    |

| SPECIES           | HDrec | BDMp | BDMr | WDMp | SPEC 2 OR 3 | BR | BL | WL | BI | WI |
|-------------------|-------|------|------|------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Shoveler          |       |      |      |      |             |    |    |    |    | *  |
| Pochard           |       |      |      |      |             |    |    |    |    | *  |
| Scaup             |       |      |      | *    | *           |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Eider             |       |      |      |      |             |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Long-tailed duck  |       |      |      |      |             |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Velvet scoter     |       |      |      | *    |             |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Goldeneye         |       |      |      |      | *           |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Honey buzzard     |       |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Red kite          | *     |      |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Marsh harrier     | *     |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Montagu's harrier |       |      | *    |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Golden eagle      |       |      |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Osprey            | *     |      |      | *    | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Kestrel           |       | *    |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Merlin            | *     |      |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Peregrine         |       |      |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Red grouse        |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Water rail        |       |      | *    |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Spotted crake     |       |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Crane             |       |      |      | *    | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Oystercatcher     |       |      |      |      |             |    | *  | *  | *  | *  |
| Avocet            |       |      |      | *    |             | *  | *  |    |    |    |
| Ringed plover     |       |      | *    |      |             |    |    |    |    | *  |
| Dotterel          |       |      |      |      | *           |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Grey plover       |       |      |      |      | *           |    | *  |    | *  | *  |
| Lapwing           |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    | *  |
| Knot              |       |      |      | *    |             |    | *  |    | *  | *  |
| Temminck's stint  |       |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    | *  |
| Purple sandpiper  |       |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    | *  |
| Dunlin            |       |      | *    | *    |             | *  | *  |    | *  | *  |

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E = European white-fronted goose subspecies only  
 G = Greenland white-fronted goose subspecies only  
 \*decline >50% but trend provisional or possibly unrepresentative of the UK

| SPECIES                  | HDrec | BDMP | BDMr | WDMP | SPEC 2 OR 3 | BR | BL | WL | BI | WI |
|--------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Ruff                     |       |      |      |      | *           |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Snipe                    |       | *2   |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Woodcock                 |       | *2   | *    |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Bar-tailed godwit        |       |      |      | *    |             |    | *  | *  |    | *  |
| Whimbrel                 |       |      |      |      |             | *  | *  |    |    |    |
| Curlew                   |       |      |      | *    |             |    |    | *  | *  | *  |
| Spotted redshank         |       |      |      |      |             |    | *  |    |    |    |
| Redshank                 |       | *2   |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    | *  |
| Green sandpiper          |       |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Wood sandpiper           |       |      |      | *    | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Turnstone                |       |      |      |      |             |    |    |    |    | *  |
| Great skua               |       |      |      |      |             | *  |    |    | *  |    |
| Mediterranean gull       |       |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Black-headed gull        |       | *    |      |      |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Common gull              |       | *    |      | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Lesser black-backed gull |       |      |      |      |             | *  |    |    | *  |    |
| Herring gull             |       | *2   |      |      |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Kittiwake                |       |      |      |      |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Sandwich tern            |       |      |      | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Arctic tern              |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Little tern              |       | *    |      | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Guillemot                |       |      |      |      |             |    |    |    | *  |    |
| Razorbill                |       |      |      |      |             | *  |    |    | *  |    |
| Black guillemot          |       |      |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Puffin                   |       |      |      | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Stock dove               |       |      |      |      |             |    |    |    | *  |    |
| Cuckoo                   |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Barn owl                 |       |      | *    | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Short-eared owl          |       |      |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Kingfisher               |       |      |      | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Green woodpecker         |       |      |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |

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|------------------|-------|------|------|------|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Sand martin      |       |      |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Swallow          |       |      |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| House martin     |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Tree pipit       |       | *2   |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Meadow pipit     |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Yellow wagtail   |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Grey wagtail     |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Duncock          |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Nightingale      |       |      | *    |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Bluethroat       |       |      |      |      |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Black redstart   |       |      |      |      |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Redstart         |       |      |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Stonechat        |       |      |      | *    |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Fieldfare        |       | *    |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Redwing          |       |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Mistle thrush    |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Dartford warbler |       | *    |      | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Wood warbler     |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Willow warbler   |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Goldcrest        |       | *2   |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Firecrest        |       |      |      |      | *           |    |    |    |    |    |
| Bearded tit      |       |      |      |      |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Golden oriole    |       |      |      | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Chough           |       |      |      | *    |             | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Serin            |       |      |      |      | *           | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Lesser redpoll   |       | *2   |      |      |             |    |    |    | *  |    |
| Parrot crossbill |       |      |      |      | *           | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Common rosefinch |       |      |      |      | *           | *  |    |    |    |    |
| Hawfinch         |       | *    |      |      |             |    |    |    |    |    |
| Snow bunting     |       |      |      | *    | *           | *  |    |    |    |    |



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