



Scotland is internationally important for its seabird breeding colonies.

There are around **5 million seabirds** in **Scotland**

# SCOTLAND'S seabirds

are

# DECLINING FAST

Scotland is home to ...



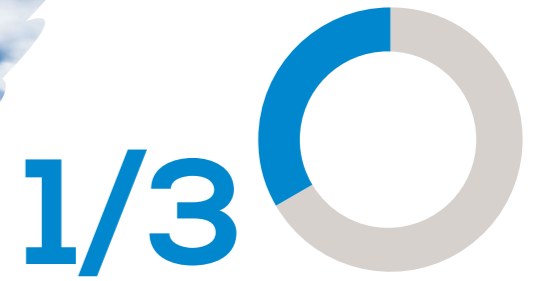
**95%** of the EU's great skuas



**67%** of the EU's northern gannets



**65%** of the EU's black-legged kittiwakes



**1/3** of the EU's breeding seabirds are based in Scotland.

Seabirds are protected on land, but without Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) to protect their foraging grounds at sea, their colonies are just a safe place to starve.

**MPAs are vital to protect our declining seabirds and their feeding areas.**

SEABIRDS ARE THE FASTEST DECLINING GROUP OF BIRDS GLOBALLY

**50%**

of all seabird species are known or suspected to be experiencing population declines.

Since 1986, 10 out of 18 monitored seabird species have suffered long-term declines in Scotland.



THREE KEY THREATS TO SCOTTISH SEABIRDS



Climate change



Lack of food



Development at sea



Arctic skuas

**74%**



black-legged kittiwakes

**66%**



Arctic terns

**72%**



We have **ONE CHANCE** to help seabirds where they need it most – at sea.

Tell the Scottish Government you want **MPAs for seabirds.**

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