

State of common European breeding birds 2019

*Contrasting regional trends in Common Starling:
are land-use and agricultural change responsible?*

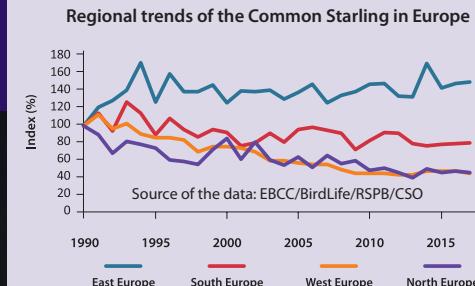


170
species

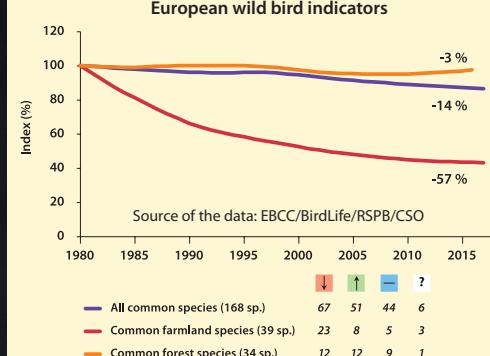
28
countries

38
years
(1980–2017)

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A recently published paper (Heldbjerg *et al.* 2019) suggests that agricultural practices, particularly change in livestock management, may be behind the contrasting regional trends of the Common Starling. However, further analyses using demographic data, improved land-use data and agricultural statistics will help identify the causes more clearly.



The numbers in italics show the numbers of species in each indicator which are moderately or steeply declining ↓, moderately or strongly increasing ↑, stable — and uncertain ? .

Population trends of 170 common European breeding birds 2019

↓ DECLINE (67)	
<i>Perdix perdix</i>	<i>Dryocopus martius</i>
<i>Periparus ater</i>	<i>Clamator glandarius</i>
<i>Acanthis flammea</i>	<i>Emberiza cirlus</i>
<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	<i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes</i>
<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	<i>Eritacus rubecula</i>
<i>Alectoris rufa</i>	<i>Ficedula albicollis</i>
<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	<i>Corvus monedula</i>
<i>Anthus trivialis</i>	<i>Fulica atra</i>
<i>Bonasa bonasia</i>	<i>Galerida theklae</i>
<i>Colaptes lapponicus</i>	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
<i>Carduelis citrinella</i>	<i>Emberiza cia</i>
<i>Corpodacnis erythrinus</i>	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>
<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	<i>Hippolais polyglotta</i>
<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
<i>Emberiza hortulana</i>	<i>Chloris chloris</i>
<i>Emberiza rustica</i>	<i>Lanius collurio</i>
<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>	<i>Leiopicus medius</i>
<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	<i>Lyrurus tetrix</i>
<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>	<i>Merops apiaster</i>
<i>Fringilla montifringilla</i>	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>
<i>Galerida cristata</i>	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>
<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	<i>Picus canus</i>
<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	<i>Picus viridis</i>
<i>Hippolais icterina</i>	<i>Sitta europaea</i>
<i>Lynx torquilla</i>	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
<i>Lanius minor</i>	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
<i>Lanius senator</i>	<i>Tetrao urogallus</i>
<i>Larus ridibundus</i>	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>
<i>Limosa limosa</i>	<i>Tringa totanus</i>
<i>Linaria cannabina</i>	<i>Turdus iliacus</i>
<i>Locustella fluviatilis</i>	<i>Turdus merula</i>
<i>Locustella naevia</i>	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>
<i>Lophophanes cristatus</i>	<i>Sylvia communis</i>
<i>Luscinia luscinia</i>	<i>Sylvia hortensis</i>
<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>
<i>Luscinia svecica</i>	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>
<i>Melanocorypha calandra</i>	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>
<i>Miliaria calandria</i>	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>
<i>Motacilla flava</i>	<i>Turdus merula</i>
<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>
<i>Numenius arquata</i>	<i>Turda torquata</i>
<i>Oenanthe hispanica</i>	<i>Turda torquata</i>
<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	<i>Turda viscivorus</i>
<i>Passer domesticus</i>	<i>Turda viscivorus</i>
<i>Passer montanus</i>	<i>Turda viscivorus</i>
↑ INCREASE (52)	
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>
<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>
<i>Bombycilla garrulus</i>	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>
<i>Buteo buteo</i>	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
<i>Calandrellia brachydyactyla</i>	<i>Tringa glareola</i>
<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
<i>Cercopis daurica</i>	<i>Turdus pilaris</i>
<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>	<i>Turdus torquatus</i>
<i>Cettia cetti</i>	<i>Turdus torquatus</i>
<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	<i>Turdus torquatus</i>
<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	<i>Turdus torquatus</i>
<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	<i>Turdus torquatus</i>
<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>
<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>
<i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>
<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>
<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>	<i>Anthus campestris</i>
<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	<i>Dendrocopos syriacus</i>
<i>Apus apus</i>	<i>Dryobates minor</i>
<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	<i>Emberiza melanocephala</i>
<i>Burhinus oedicnemus</i>	<i>Irena pallida</i>
<i>Certthia familiaris</i>	<i>Upupa epops</i>
? UNCERTAIN (6)	