

**Table 2.** Estimates for the number of individual birds in different countries, together with the area of the country, the mean density of birds calculated for a square kilometre of the country from the previous two figures, and the source for the data

Country	Number of individuals		Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Individuals /km <sup>2</sup>	Source
USA	5 700 000 000		9 373 000	608	Rosenzweig (1995)
Britain	114 000 000	breeding	230 600	494	Marchant <i>et al.</i> (1990)
Sweden	90 000 000	breeding	450 000	200	Ulfstrand & Hogstedt (1976)
Finland	62 000 000	breeding	337 000	184	Merikallio (1958)
			Mean	371.5	

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