

Species	First census		Population size in 2018	Rate p.a. (mean)	Total change	Last decade	Comments
	Year	Population size					
European storm petrel		Not assessed	< 500 pairs		Negative?		Coarse assessment. No monitoring
Leach's storm petrel		Not assessed	< 50 pairs		Negative?		Coarse assessment. No monitoring
Northern fulmar (all islands)	1997	300-500 pairs	< 30 pairs		- 90 %		First established as a breeder in the 1940s
Northern fulmar (Hernyken)	1997	33 pairs	1 pair	- 15.7%	- 97 %	- 94%	Maximum in 1998 (54 pairs)
Great cormorant (all islands)	1997	11 pairs	39 pairs	+ 4.4%	+ 254 %	- 66%	Established 1990s. Maximum in 2008 (115 pairs)
European shag (all islands)	2008	1 700 pairs	< 800 pairs		- 71 %		Very variable, unusually few bred in 2018
European shag (Ellefsnyken)	1985	659 pairs	199 pairs	+ 1.1%	- 70 %	- 75%	Very variable, unusually few bred in 2018
Common eider (most islands)	1988	2 500 pairs	900 pairs	- 3.7%	- 64 %	- 17%	Based on counts of males in May
Black-legged kittiwake (all islands)	1979	25 500 pairs	1425 pairs		- 94 %		
Black-legged kittiwake (Vedøy)	1979	25 000 pairs	329 pairs	- 5.1%	- 99 %	- 88%	
Black-legged kittiwake (Gjelfruvær)	1980	53 pairs	381 pairs	+ 3.5%	+ 619 %	+ 388%	Very variable. Maximum in 2018
Black-legged kittiwake (Kårøya)	1981	110 pairs	606 pairs	+ 5.6%	+ 363 %	+ 17%	Maximum in 2017 (713 pairs)
Black-legged kittiwake (Tyvsøya)	1992	60 pairs	92 pairs	+ 2.1%	+ 53 %	- 19%	Maximum in 2005 (233 pairs)
Great black-backed gull (most islands)	1996	Not assessed	± 400 pairs		Negative		Coarse assessment. Monitoring ongoing
Herring gull (most islands)	1996	Not assessed	± 200 pairs		Negative		Coarse assessment. Monitoring ongoing
Common gull (most islands)	2002	Not assessed	± 200 pairs		± Stable		Coarse assessment. Monitoring ongoing
Lesser black-backed gull (most islands)	2002	1-3 pairs	28 pairs		Positive		Maximum in 2015 (60 pairs)
Arctic/Common tern (outer Røst)	2003	153 pairs	0 pairs		Negative		Very variable, no breeding in 6 of the years
Arctic skua (all islands)		Not assessed	< 20 pairs		Unknown		Coarse assessment. No monitoring
Great skua (all islands)	1988	1 pair	8 pairs		+ 700 %		First established as a breeder in the 1980s
Atlantic puffin (all islands)	1979	1 437 000 pairs	288 500 pairs	- 3.2%	- 80 %	- 37%	Based on the development on Hernyken
Common guillemot (all islands)	1960	16 400 pairs	± 300 pairs		- 98 %		Several colonies are breeding under shelter
Common guillemot (Vedøy)	1960	12 000 pairs	15 pairs	- 12.1%	- 99.9 %	+ 17%	Breeding on open cliff ledges has disappeared
Razorbill (all islands)	1964	4 800 pairs	± 250 pairs		- 95 %		Several colonies breed under shelter
Razorbill (Vedøy)	1964	2800 pairs	7 pairs	- 11.1%	- 99.8 %	+ 108%	Breeding on open cliff ledges has disappeared
Black guillemot (all islands)		Not assessed	< 1000 pairs		± Stable		Coarse assessment

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