

Glossary:Special protection area

Statistics Explained

Special protection areas are areas classified by a Member State of the European Union as a special protection area for the conservation of species of birds which are

- in danger of extinction;
- vulnerable to specific changes in their habitat;
- considered rare because of small populations or restricted local distribution; or
- requiring particular attention for reasons of the specific nature of their habitat, in a geographical sea or land area where [Directive 2009/147/EC](#) on the conservation of wild birds applies.

Related concepts

- [Agri-environmental indicator \(AEI\)](#)
- [Biodiversity](#)

Statistical data

- [Biodiversity statistics](#)