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Seabird Population Trends and Causes of Change: 1986–2019 Report

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The table below provides at-a-glance UK population trends (as percentage change in breeding numbers) from complete censuses undertaken in 1969-70 (Operation Seafarer), 1985-88 (Seabird Colony Register), and 1998–2002 (Seabird 2000). Change from 1998–2000 to 2019 (i.e. over the period since the last national census) is estimated from trends derived from the Seabird Monitoring Programme sample of colonies, or from census results where these are available; this analysis is only available for species with sufficient data to accurately estimate trends.

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Species	Population change (%) 1969-70 to 1985-88	Population change (%) 1985-88 to 1998-2002	Population change (%) 2000-2019
northern fulmar	+77	-3	-33
Manx shearwater	n/a	n/a	n/a

