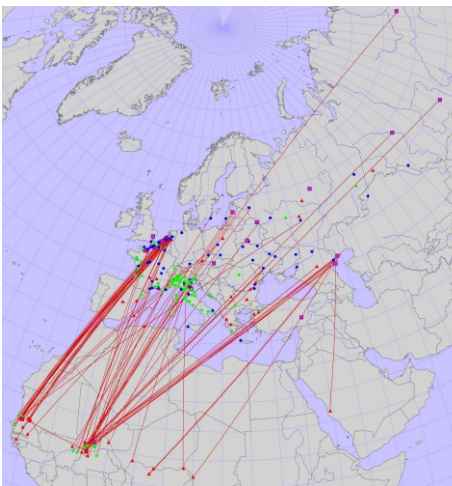




The EURING Data Bank

The EURING Data Bank is a central, computerised repository for ringing recovery records and now holds records dating back over 100 years. Its 10 million encounter records hold ringing and recovery records, together with many local recapture and colour-mark resighting records.

EURING is keen to promote the best use of this unrivalled dataset and welcomes applications to analyse any data held in the EDB. Recent studies related to migration have examined flyways, migratory divides, connectivity, irruption, evolution, phenological changes, moult migration, dispersal of sedentary species and birds as vectors for transmission of invertebrate and other organisms. Other studies have centred on survival, mortality, habitat usage, and population trends. Data have also been used in the production of various migration atlases and in some species monographs.



Trans-Saharan movements of Garganey (*Anas querquedula*) with ringing and recovery locations joined by straight lines. This map was prepared by Leo Zwarts for his book 'Living on the Edge'.

EDB Holdings

- 10,000,000 bird encounter records of 554 species
- 24 species have more than 100,000 records
- 106 species have between 10,000 and 100,000 records
- 123 species have between 1,000 and 10,000 records
- 35 ringing schemes have submitted data

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Requesting data from the EURING Data Bank

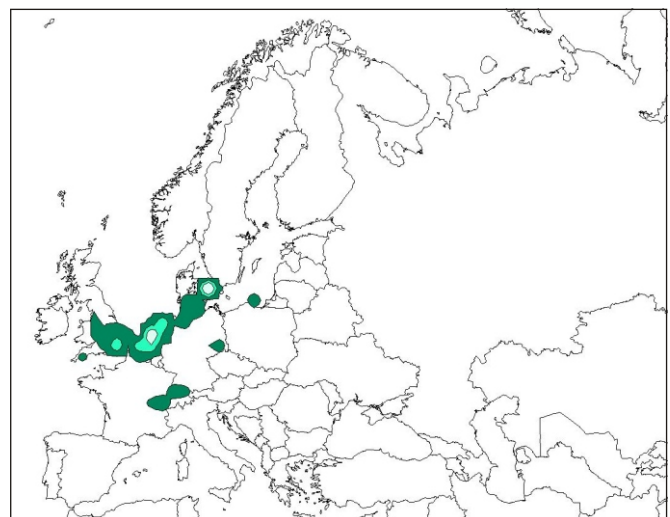
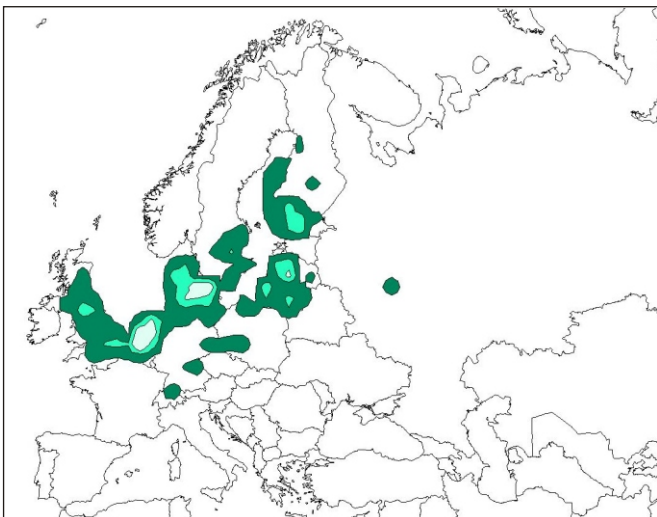
EURING is keen to promote research based on the data in the EURING databank and data are frequently supplied to independent researchers in relation to a wide range of topics. Please remember that EURING member schemes and individual researchers or ringers may also be planning to analyse these data in relation to specific aspects of their own research. We therefore operate a system where individual schemes must approve the release of their recoveries prior to data being supplied. This may take up to a month to complete. Where appropriate please consider whether your proposed research would best be done collaboratively. Many researchers linked to national ringing centres have specialist expertise in the analysis of such data. We would be pleased to provide contacts in relation to specific research topics.

We do make modest charges for supplying data from the EDB in order to offset some of the costs of running the databank. Quotations will be provided on request and potential analysts are asked to agree to these before data are supplied.

All the details about making a request are available on the EURING web site

<http://www.euring.org/edb>

Alternatively contact the EDB Co-ordinator, Chris du Feu at edb@bto.org



Ringing and recovery data for Black-headed Gulls (*Larus ridibundus*) in summer and winter. Shaded 'kernels' show regions with 95%, 75% and 50% of records. (Summer records are from April to September and winter records from October to March). This map was prepared by Mark Grantham at the BTO as part of EURING research into birds as possible vectors of avian influenza.