**Dendrocygna javanica**, Lesser Whistling-duck

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**Taxonomy**

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<td>Chordata</td>
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**Taxon Name:** *Dendrocygna javanica* (Horsfield, 1821)

**Common Name(s):**
- English: Lesser Whistling-duck, Lesser Whistling Duck, Lesser Whistling-Duck

**Taxonomic Source(s):**


**Assessment Information**

**Red List Category & Criteria:** Least Concern ver 3.1

**Year Published:** 2016

**Date Assessed:** October 1, 2016

**Justification:**
This species has an extremely large range, and hence does not approach the thresholds for Vulnerable under the range size criterion (Extent of Occurrence <20,000 km² combined with a declining or fluctuating range size, habitat extent/quality, or population size and a small number of locations or severe fragmentation). Despite the fact that the population trend appears to be decreasing, the decline is not believed to be sufficiently rapid to approach the thresholds for Vulnerable under the population trend criterion (>30% decline over ten years or three generations). The population size is very large, and hence does not approach the thresholds for Vulnerable under the population size criterion (<10,000 mature individuals with a continuing decline estimated to be >10% in ten years or three generations, or with a specified population structure). For these reasons the species is evaluated as Least Concern.

**Previously Published Red List Assessments**

2012 – Least Concern (LC) – http://dx.doi.org/10.2305/IUCN.UK.2012-1.RLTS.T22679758A40105133.en

2009 – Least Concern (LC)

2008 – Least Concern (LC)

2004 – Least Concern (LC)

2000 – Lower Risk/least concern (LR/lc)

1994 – Lower Risk/least concern (LR/lc)

1988 – Lower Risk/least concern (LR/lc)
Geographic Range

Country Occurrence:

**Native:** Bangladesh; Bhutan; Brunei Darussalam; Cambodia; China; India; Indonesia; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Malaysia; Myanmar; Nepal; Pakistan; Singapore; Sri Lanka; Thailand; Viet Nam

**Vagrant:** Israel; Japan; Maldives; Oman; Taiwan, Province of China
Distribution Map

*Dendrocygna javanica*

Range
- Extant (breeding)
- Extant (non-breeding)
- Extant (passage)
- Extant (resident)

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Population
The global population is estimated to number c.200,000-2,000,000 individuals (Wetlands International 2006), while the population in China has been estimated at <c.100 breeding pairs (Brazil 2009).

Trend Justification
The overall trend is suspected to be decreasing (Wetlands International 2006).

Current Population Trend: Decreasing

Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)

Systems: Terrestrial, Freshwater, Marine

Credits
Assessor(s): BirdLife International
Reviewer(s): Butchart, S. & Symes, A.
Facilitators(s) and Compiler(s): Ekstrom, J., Butchart, S.
Bibliography
Brazil, M. 2009. *Birds of East Asia: eastern China, Taiwan, Korea, Japan, eastern Russia*. Christopher Helm, London.


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#### Habitats

(Habitats can be found [here](http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes))

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<td>1. Forest -&gt; 1.7. Forest - Subtropical/Tropical Mangrove Vegetation Above High Tide Level</td>
<td>Resident</td>
<td>Suitable</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>4. Grassland -&gt; 4.6. Grassland - Subtropical/Tropical Seasonally Wet/Flooded</td>
<td>Resident</td>
<td>Suitable</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>5. Wetlands (inland) -&gt; 5.4. Wetlands (inland) - Bogs, Marshes, Swamps, Fens, Peatlands</td>
<td>Resident</td>
<td>Suitable</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>5. Wetlands (inland) -&gt; 5.5. Wetlands (inland) - Permanent Freshwater Lakes (over 8ha)</td>
<td>Resident</td>
<td>Suitable</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>15. Artificial/Aquatic &amp; Marine -&gt; 15.1. Artificial/Aquatic - Water Storage Areas (over 8ha)</td>
<td>Resident</td>
<td>Suitable</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>15. Artificial/Aquatic &amp; Marine -&gt; 15.3. Artificial/Aquatic - Aquaculture Ponds</td>
<td>Resident</td>
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#### Conservation Actions in Place

(In-Place Research, Monitoring and Planning can be found [here](http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes))

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<td>In-Place Research, Monitoring and Planning</td>
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<td>Action Recovery plan: No</td>
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<td>Systematic monitoring scheme: Yes</td>
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<td>In-Place Land/Water Protection and Management</td>
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<td>Conservation sites identified: Yes, over entire range</td>
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<td>Occur in at least one PA: Yes</td>
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<td>Invasive species control or prevention: No</td>
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<td>In-Place Species Management</td>
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<td>Successfully reintroduced or introduced beningly: No</td>
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### Conservation Actions in Place

- Subject to recent education and awareness programmes: No
- Included in international legislation: No
- Subject to any international management/trade controls: No

### Additional Data Fields

**Distribution**

- Continuing decline in area of occupancy (AOO): Unknown
- Extreme fluctuations in area of occupancy (AOO): No
- Estimated extent of occurrence (EOO) (km$^2$): 30200000
- Continuing decline in extent of occurrence (EOO): Unknown
- Extreme fluctuations in extent of occurrence (EOO): No
- Continuing decline in number of locations: Unknown
- Extreme fluctuations in the number of locations: No

**Population**

- Continuing decline of mature individuals: Unknown
- Extreme fluctuations: No
- Population severely fragmented: No
- Continuing decline in subpopulations: Unknown
- Extreme fluctuations in subpopulations: No
- All individuals in one subpopulation: No

**Habitats and Ecology**

- Continuing decline in area, extent and/or quality of habitat: Unknown
- Generation Length (years): 5.3
- Movement patterns: Not a Migrant
- Congregatory: Congregatory (and dispersive)
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