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Asian Waterbird Census 2018



The Asian Waterbird Census (AWC) is part of the global International Waterbird Census (IWC). This citizen-science programme is supporting conservation and management of wetlands and waterbirds worldwide. The information helps to promote the designation and management of internationally important sites such as nationally protected areas, Ramsar Sites, East Asian - Australasian Flyway Network Sites and Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas (IBAs) as well as identifying and protecting new sites of importance for waterbirds.

The recommended dates for the AWC 2018 counts are Saturday 6 to Sunday 21 of January, covering two weeks and three weekends. These dates are for guidance only and counts from any date in January are very welcome.

If you have not participated in the census before, information and **AWC count forms** and **guidelines** are uploaded on the AWC website **here**. The Count forms are available in Excel and Word. The Count forms are available in Excel and Word. The standard IWC Count Methodology is available **here**. If you have participated in a previous count for a particular site, kindly cover the site this year and report on it using the latest forms. Please also report if there are few or no birds, as this is very

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Kindly use the appropriate AWC Site and Count forms to report your observations and provide these by the end of February to your country/regional coordinators, contact details **here**. If there is no coordinator, kindly send your forms to **awc@wetlands.org**.

Good luck with your conservation efforts and very best wishes for the count!

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