

GREAT BUSTARD GROUP



The UK Great Bustard Reintroduction 2004 - 2017



IUCN Guidelines

9 sections

“Based on principal rather than example.”

Flexible interpretation and implementation.

- 1) Introduction and Scope of Guidelines
- 2) Definitions and Classification
- 3) Deciding when a translocation is an acceptable option
- 4) Planning a translocation
- 5) Feasibility and design
- 6) Risk assessment
- 7) Release and implementation
- 8) Monitoring and continuing management
- 9) Dissemination of information

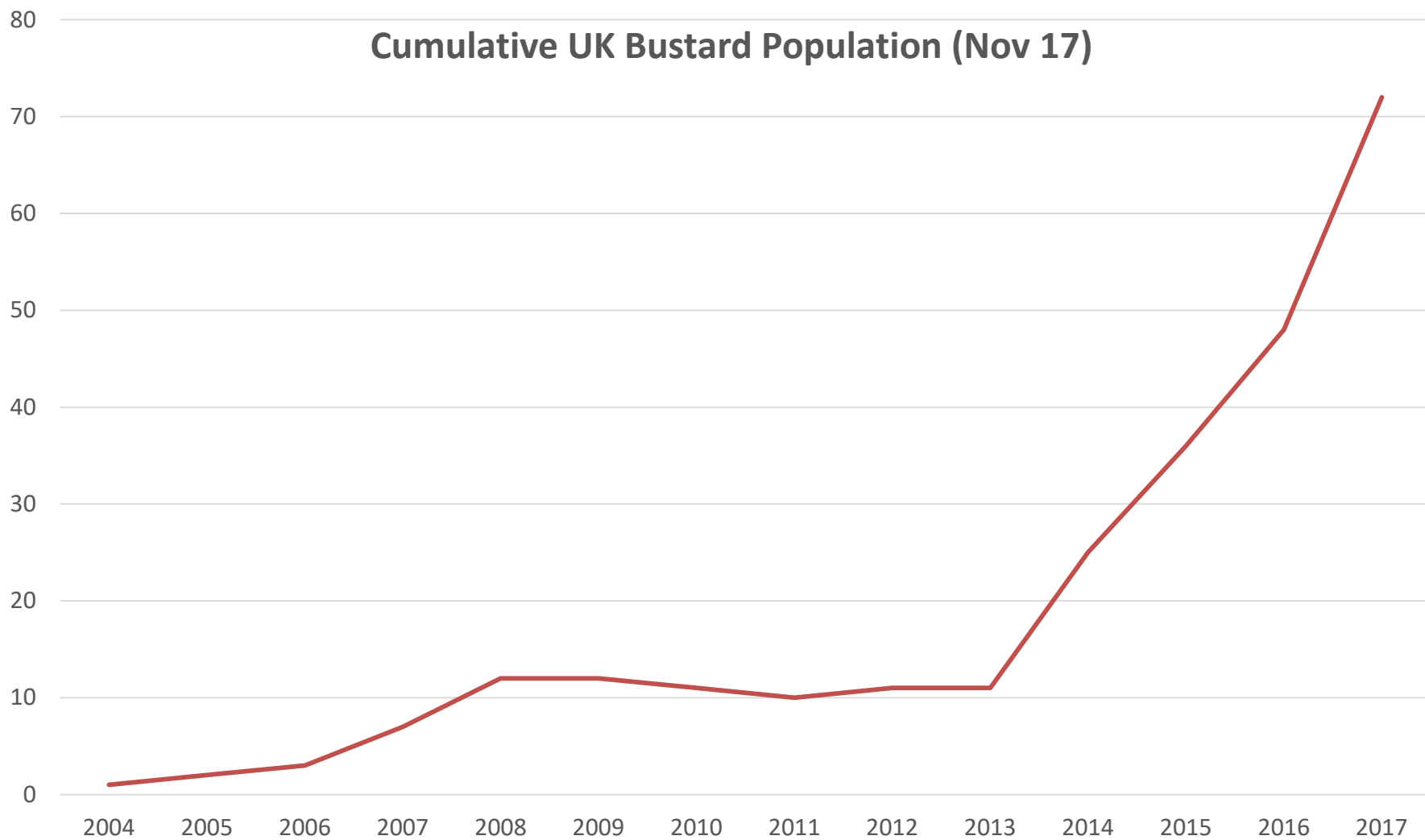






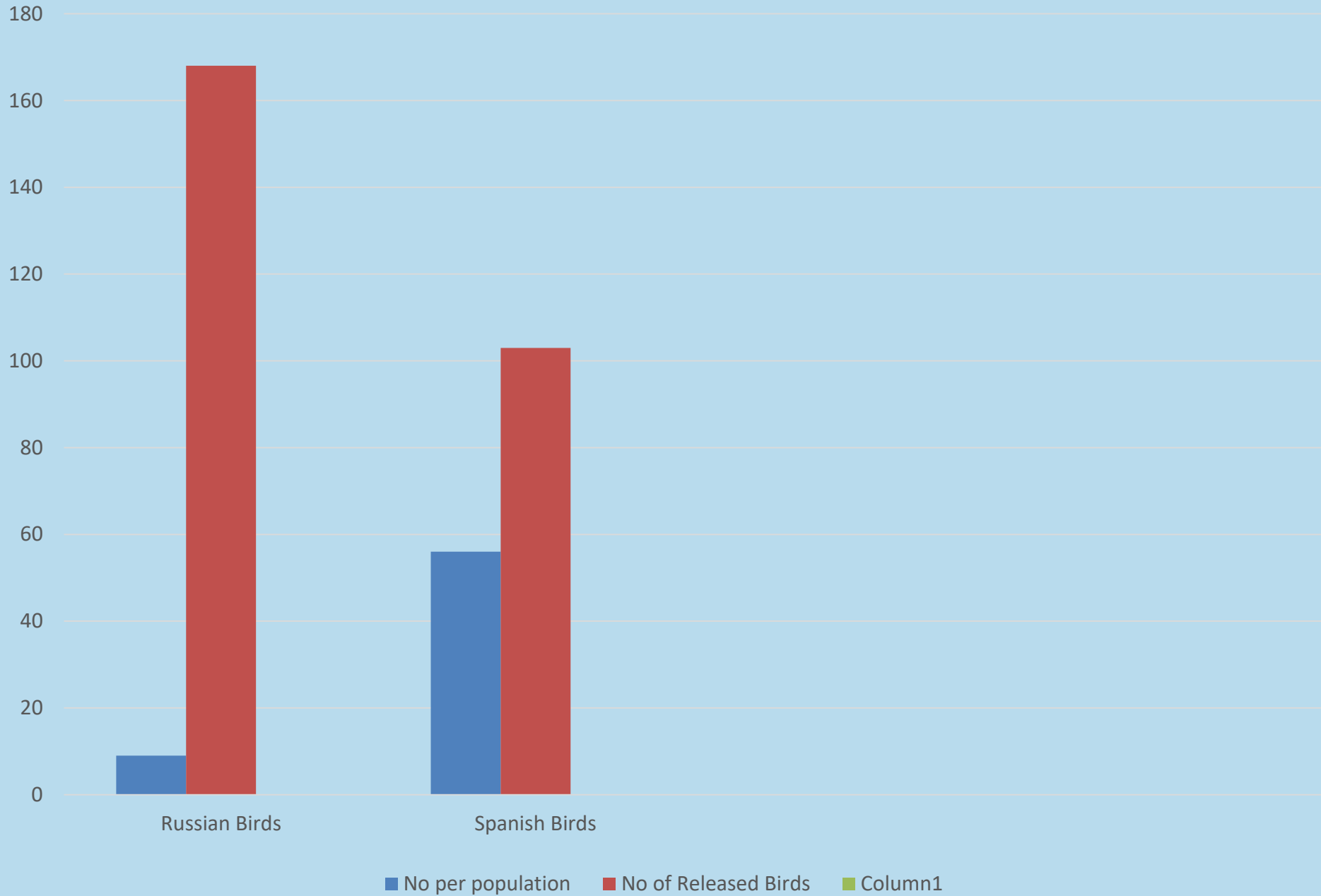


Cumulative UK Bustard Population (Nov 17)



Column1 Population > 1 yr Column2

Survival Ratio







Reporting objectives





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Reporting Objectives.

To publish?

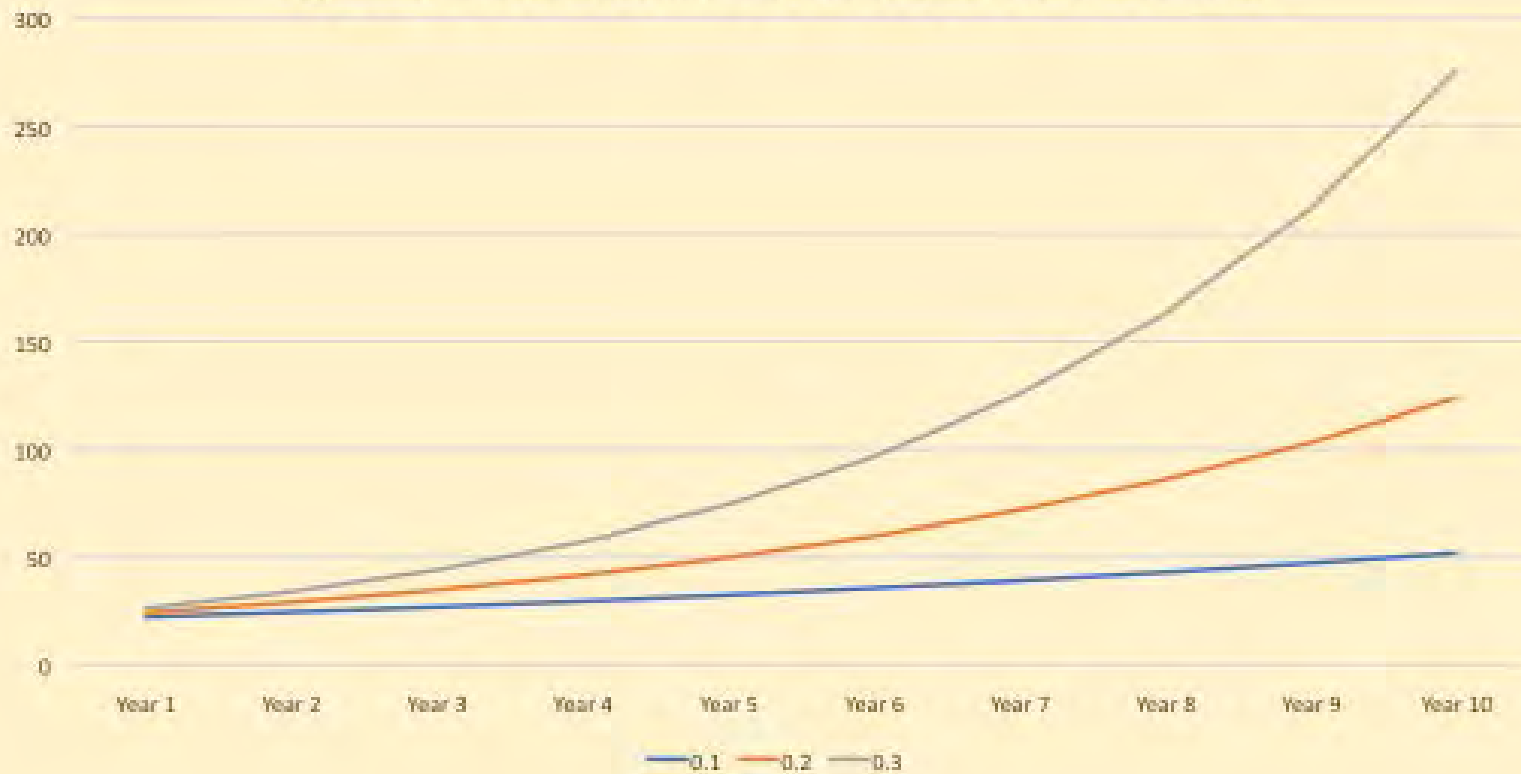
To justify?

To learn?

Reporting timescale $\vee$ project timescale



Population Growth Predictions Based on 3 Different Increments



AGE STRUCTURE?



POPULATION SIZE?





QUESTIONS?

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United Kingdom Updated Situation

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28 birds were released in 2017, 15 females and 13 males

Population around 70 birds as of December 2017.

Up to 25 females of breeding age 3 yrs +.

Birds have grouped in to sexual droves.

No differences in dispersal behaviour of Russian or Spanish sourced birds.

Changes to rearing and release procedures have increased annual survival rate.



**Distribution of Russian v Spanish v Wild Current Population –
(Nov 2017)**

