

MN (Minor) *Carduelis carduelis*

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<b>Eicat category</b>	MN (Minor)
<b>Justification for EICAT assessment</b>	Animal material does not form a large percentage by volume of the adult European Goldfinch diet. Aphids do form approximately five percent by volume in October and November In New Zealand. There is no evidence that predation by the European Goldfinch has caused a decline of these species (Campbell 1972).
<b>Confidence rating</b>	Low
<b>Mechanism(s) of maximum impact</b>	Predation
<b>Countries of most severe impact</b>	New Zealand
<b>Description of impact</b>	The European Goldfinch feeds on native insect and plant species.
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