

## SPECIES INFORMATION SHEET

*Skeneopsis planorbis*

English name: <b>Flat skenea/Planorb skenea</b>	Scientific name: <b><i>Skeneopsis planorbis</i></b>	
Taxonomical group: Class: Gastropoda Order: Hypsogastropoda Family: Skeneopsidae	Species authority: Fabricius O., 1780	
Subspecies, Variations, Synonyms: –	Generation length: –	
Past and current threats (Habitats Directive article 17 codes): Unknown (U)	Future threats (Habitats Directive article 17 codes): Unknown (U)	
IUCN Criteria: –	<b>HELCOM Red List Category:</b>	<b>DD Data Deficient</b>
Global / European IUCN Red List Category: NE/NE	Habitats Directive: –	
Protection and Red List status in HELCOM countries: Denmark –/–, Estonia –/–, Finland –/–, Germany –/2 (Endangered, incl. North Sea), Latvia –/–, Lithuania –/–, Poland –/–, Russia –/–, Sweden –/NT		

**Distribution and status in the Baltic Sea region**

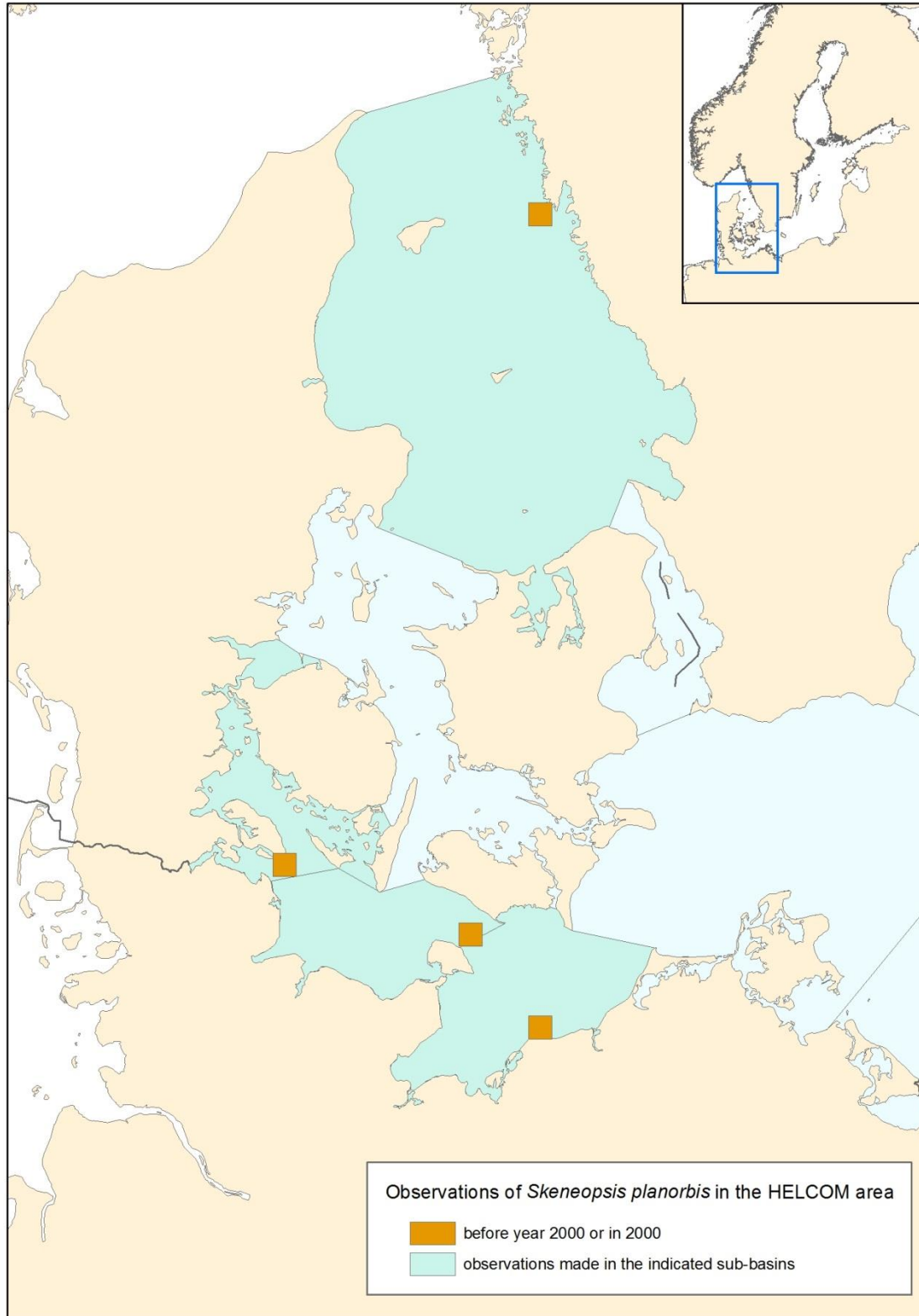
The species is very rare in the HELCOM area. It has been found only from a few locations from the Bay of Mecklenburg to the Kattegat. Outside the HELCOM area this species is widely distributed, from Azores to Arctic. It is found on all suitable British shores but is absent from eastern shores of the North Sea.

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### Distribution map

The georeferenced records of species compiled from the database of the Leibniz Institute for Baltic Sea Research (IOW).



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### Habitat and ecology

*Skeneopsis planorbis* lives on weeds in the upper shoreline especially in rocky shores and it feeds on epiphytes. It could also occur in depths down to 70 m where the feeding behaviour is different.

### Description of major threats

Unknown.

### Assessment justification

The species is very small and the risk of overlooking is high in inventories. However, it appears also to be genuinely rare (found only in a few locations) and perhaps also declining according to German data. The species has occurred in Germany but has not been found in recent inventories despite targeted searching. *S. planorbis* is categorized as Data Deficient (DD) in the HELCOM area.

### Recommendations for actions to conserve the species

Without better understanding on the pressures it is impossible to give any specific recommendations for the species.

### Common names

Denmark: –, Estonia: –, Finland: –, Germany: Gemeine Zwergtellerschnecke, Latvia: –, Lithuania: –, Poland: –, Russia: –, Sweden: –

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