

**MN (Minor)** *Ploceus melanocephalus*

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<b>Eicat category</b>	MN (Minor)
<b>Justification for EICAT assessment</b>	The Black-headed weaver has been observed feeding on insects in Spain (Sanz-Aguilar et al. 2015).
<b>Confidence rating</b>	Low
<b>Mechanism(s) of maximum impact</b>	Predation
<b>Countries of most severe impact</b>	Spain
<b>Description of impact</b>	The black-headed weaver feeds on native insect species and the seeds of native plant species. It could also compete with native passerines once the species reaches higher population densities.
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