

**Red-browed Finch**    *Neochmia temporalis*    **Species No.: 662**    **Band Size: 01 AY**



**Morphometrics:**

Two subspecies recognised with measurements as follows:

Nominate *N.t. temporalis*

ssp. *N.t. minor*

	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
Wing:	50 – 55 mm	50 – 53 mm	46 – 52 mm	46 – 59 mm
Tail:	41 – 50 mm	44 – 49 mm	39 – 43 mm	39 – 40 mm
Bill:	10.0 – 11.4 mm	9.5 – 11.3 mm	10.4 – 11.9 mm	9.9 – 11.6 mm
THL:	21 – 29 mm	22 – 25 mm	No data	No data
Tarsus:	13.6 – 16.0 mm	14.4 – 15.8 mm	13.7 – 15.3 mm	13.6 – 15.1 mm
Weight:	7.0 – 15.0 g	7.6 – 12.0 g	8.0 – 9.4 g	7.6 – 9.0 g

**Ageing:**

	Adult	Juvenile
Bill:	red with black stripe on top and bottom;	black initially, becoming red with age;
Eye:	crimson;	dark, muddy-brown initially, becoming brown and redder with age;
Supercilium:	red;	absent;

Young birds acquire full adult appearance within three months of fledging, so with the exception of obvious Juveniles (J), all others should be aged (1+).

**Sexing:**

No significant morphometric differences for either subspecies;

The following plumage differences may be definitive, but are regarded as unreliable by some:

	Male	Female
Supercilium:	even-width bright red brow does not extend to nape;	dull red brow tapers rear and extends to nape;
Upper tail:	black to dark grey;	dark grey;
Undertail coverts:	black;	dark grey

Both sexes incubate.