

Table 5.57-- HAWAII AUDUBON SOCIETY BIRD COUNTS OF SELECTED SPECIES IN THE HONOLULU AREA: 2019 TO 2023

[Counts are made in late December at various locations between Hawaii Kai and Aiea, and between Waimanalo and Kaneohe. Annual changes reflect differences in numbers of bird counters and counting time in the field, as well as changes in bird populations. Totals by species are also affected by the types of habitats studied]

Species	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Endemic species 1/					
Apapane	18	13	25	2	14
Hawaiian Coot 2/	449	128	182	97	96
Hawaiian Duck x Mallard	165	133	484	268	404
Hawaiian Moorhen 2/	49	25	79	38	44
Hawaiian Stilt 2/	131	20	200	52	163
Oahu Amakihi	64	43	44	46	73
Oahu Elepaio	-	6	2	4	2
Indigenous species 3/					
Black-crowned Night Heron	41	27	73	47	65
Brown Booby	6	2	1	-	1
Great Frigatebird	105	-	14	-	9
Red-footed Booby	866	4/ -	2,116	12	3,143
White Tern	31	79	20	90	169
Alien species 5/					
Cattle Egret	382	227	393	401	378
Common Myna	1,381	1,196	1,194	1,913	2,146
Common Waxbill	832	918	1,043	1,119	1,166
House Finch	204	193	57	300	123
House Sparrow	236	249	91	293	339
Japanese White-eye	343	289	250	432	383
Java Sparrow	484	504	208	881	245
Northern Cardinal	81	69	31	40	28
Nutmeg Mannikin	27	17	63	36	17
Red-billed Leiothrix	163	138	145	200	177
Red-crested Cardinal	373	368	288	569	527
Red-vented Bulbul	350	550	495	860	639
Red-whiskered Bulbul	115	106	90	218	191
Rock Dove/Pigeon	370	289	480	881	1,179
Saffron Finch	31	91	12	25	56
Spotted Dove	315	570	415	743	622
White-rumped Shama	76	96	67	200	73
Yellow-fronted Canary	121	146	41	126	164
Zebra Dove	1,649	1,232	1,252	2,814	2,151

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Visitor species 6/					
Mallard	2	-	-	3	8
Pacific Golden-Plover	485	283	561	539	616
Ruddy Turnstone	285	21	182	14	277
Sanderling	14	2	19	10	23
Wandering Tattler	23	-	19	5	21

1/ Birds peculiar to Hawaii and found nowhere else.

2/ Endangered species.

3/ Native to Hawaii but also found elsewhere.

4/ In 2020, the Red-footed Booby was still found in Hawaii, but not in the Honolulu area.

5/ Formerly termed "introduced." Includes accidental escapes from captivity.

6/ Formerly termed "migratory." Includes stragglers and seasonal migrants.

Source: Audubon's Christmas Bird Count <<http://netapp.audubon.org/CBCObservation/>> accessed April 18, 2024.