

**Table 5.57-- HAWAII AUDUBON SOCIETY BIRD COUNTS OF SELECTED SPECIES IN THE HONOLULU AREA: 2020 TO 2024**

[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	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Endemic species 1/					
Apapane	13	25	2	14	3
Hawaiian Coot 2/	128	182	97	96	113
Hawaiian Duck x Mallard	133	484	268	404	357
Hawaiian Moorhen 2/	25	79	38	44	51
Hawaiian Stilt 2/	20	200	52	163	168
Oahu Amakihi	43	44	46	73	36
Oahu Elepaio	6	2	4	2	1
Indigenous species 3/					
Black-crowned Night Heron	27	73	47	65	79
Brown Booby	2	1	-	1	6
Great Frigatebird	-	14	-	9	200
Red-footed Booby	4/ -	2,116	12	3,143	1,846
White Tern	79	20	90	169	104
Alien species 5/					
Cattle Egret	227	393	401	378	518
Common Myna	1,196	1,194	1,913	2,146	2,201
Common Waxbill	918	1,043	1,119	1,166	1,686
House Finch	193	57	300	123	153
House Sparrow	249	91	293	339	302
Japanese White-eye	289	250	432	383	190
Java Sparrow	504	208	881	245	252
Northern Cardinal	69	31	40	28	48
Nutmeg Mannikin	17	63	36	17	7
Red-billed Leiothrix	138	145	200	177	117
Red-crested Cardinal	368	288	569	527	679
Red-vented Bulbul	550	495	860	639	617
Red-whiskered Bulbul	106	90	218	191	127
Rock Dove/Pigeon	289	480	881	1,179	899
Saffron Finch	91	12	25	56	80
Spotted Dove	570	415	743	622	623
White-rumped Shama	96	67	200	73	85
Yellow-fronted Canary	146	41	126	164	208
Zebra Dove	1,232	1,252	2,814	2,151	2,593

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Species	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Visitor species 6/					
Mallard	-	-	3	8	6
Pacific Golden-Plover	283	561	539	616	1,029
Ruddy Turnstone	21	182	14	277	267
Sanderling	2	19	10	23	29
Wandering Tattler	-	19	5	21	16

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 June 10, 2025.