



New Zealand  
**GARDEN  
BIRD  
SURVEY**



Technical report

**NELSON REGION**

**2017** |

**State of NZ Garden Birds**

**Te Āhua o ngā Manu o te Kāri i Aotearoa**



**Manaaki  
Whenua**  
Landcare  
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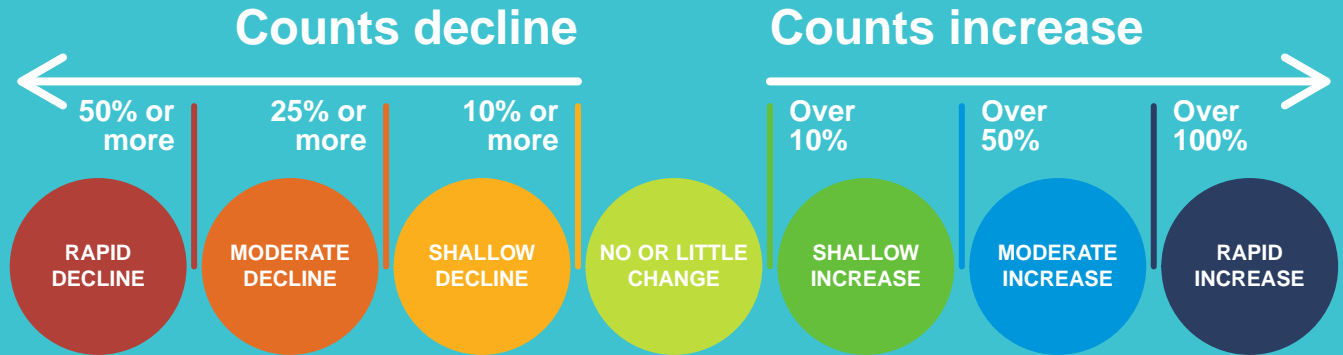


We have estimated how bird counts have changed since 2007 in different regions and towns across New Zealand for 14 common garden visitors – five native and nine introduced birds.

Thanks to all our volunteer bird counters, 31,679 garden surveys have been completed nationwide since 2007. We use specialised statistical tools to account for variation in sampling effort between regions, towns and suburbs over time. We also account for variation in bird counts depending on whether the surveyed gardens were in a rural or urban setting and if birds were fed or not. We also correct for the actual number of gardens in each area.

We then classify these changes according to their direction and size (see adjacent diagram) to help us identify changes of potential concern or interest.

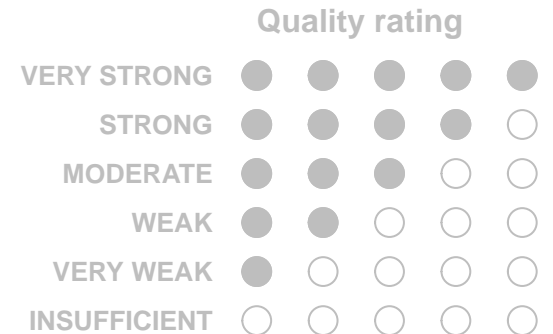
# Drawing attention to changes in counts of potential concern or interest



Change class for each species, based on the 1001 bootstrap replicates, indicated by double circle. The degree of shading indicates where these replicates lie.



Quality rating category for each species shows the strength of evidence for the change class based on the 1001 replicates.



# How have bird counts changed?

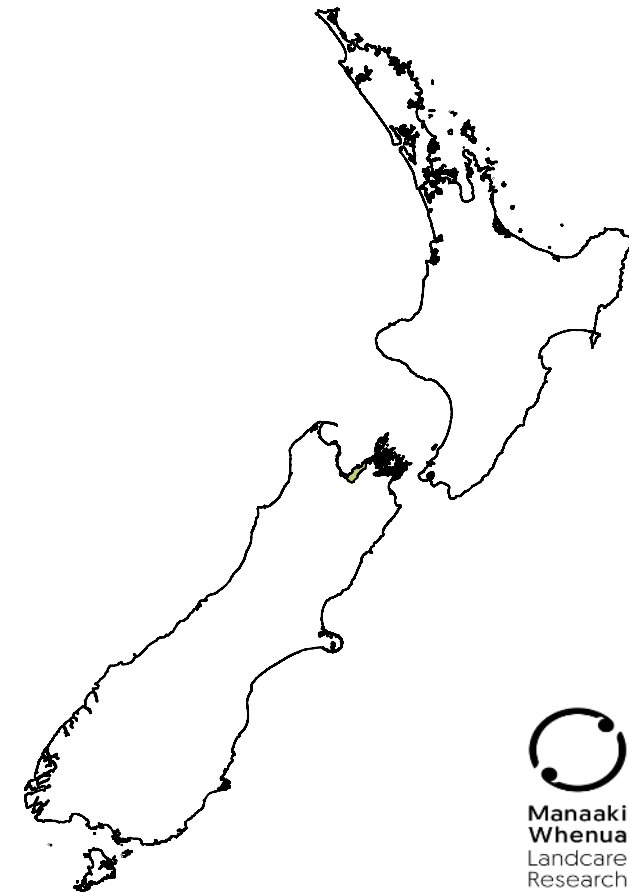
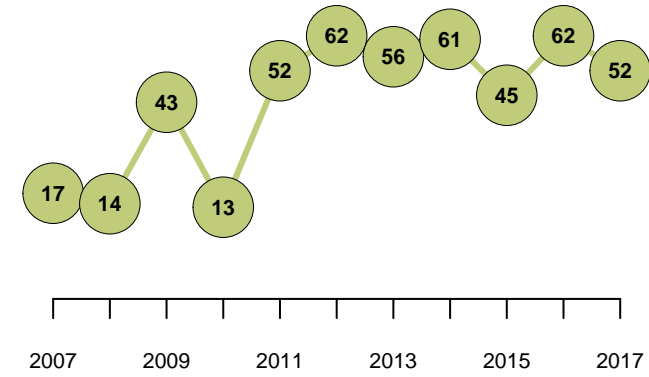
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	Median	80% Confidence Interval	Rapid decline	Moderate decline	Shallow decline	No or little change	Shallow increase	Moderate increase	Rapid increase	Quality rating	
GREENFINCH	36%	17 to 50%	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●●●●●	
TUI	16%	9 to 22%	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●●●●○	KŌKŌ
FANTAIL	10%	5 to 14%	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○●○●○	PĪWAIWAKA
BELLBIRD	4%	-3 to 11%	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	●●●●○	KORIMAKO
HOUSE SPARROW	-4%	-8 to 2%	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	●●●●●	TIU
BLACKBIRD	-14%	-17 to -11%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	MANU PANGO
NEW ZEALAND PIGEON	-18%	-33 to -6%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●○	KERERŪ
CHAFFINCH	-19%	-25 to -13%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	PAHIRINI
STARLING	-22%	-28 to -18%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	TĀRINGI
DUNNOCK	-25%	-34 to -16%	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●○●○●	
GOLDFINCH	-28%	-35 to -22%	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●●●○●	
SONG THRUSH	-35%	-39 to -31%	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	
SILVEREYE	-52%	-56 to -49%	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●○	TAUHOU

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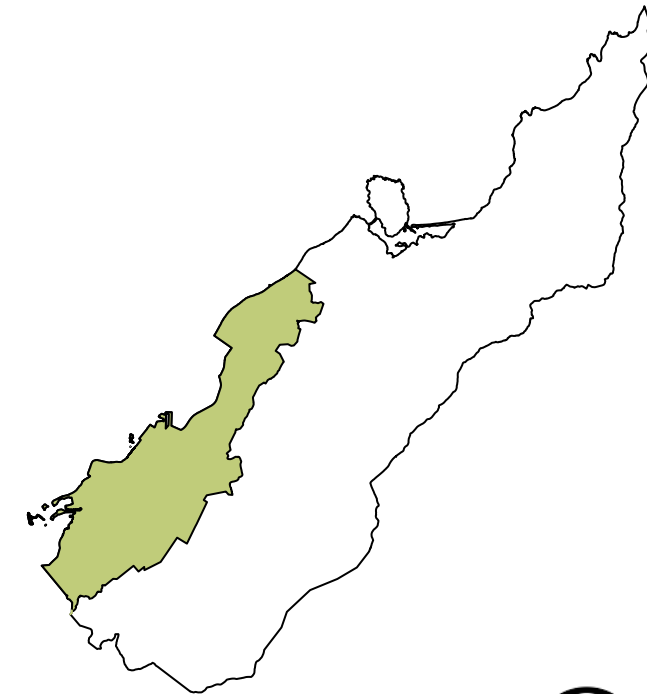
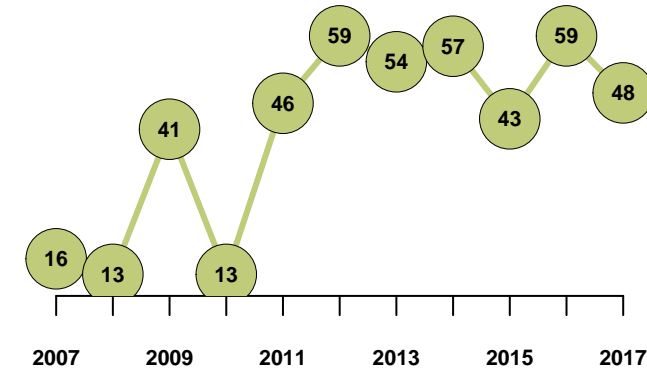
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## NELSON REGION | 2007-2017

### Nelson

	Median	80% Confidence Interval	Rapid decline	Moderate decline	Shallow decline	No or little change	Shallow increase	Moderate increase	Rapid increase	Quality rating	
GREENFINCH	36%	17 to 50%	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●●●●●	
TUI	16%	9 to 22%	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●●●●○	KŌKŌ
FANTAIL	10%	5 to 14%	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	○●○●○	PĪWAIWAKA
BELLBIRD	4%	-2 to 12%	○	○	○	●	●	○	○	●●●○	KORIMAKO
HOUSE SPARROW	-4%	-9 to 2%	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	●●●●●	TIU
BLACKBIRD	-14%	-17 to -11%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	MANU PANGO
NEW ZEALAND PIGEON	-17%	-34 to -4%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●○	KERERŪ
CHAFFINCH	-19%	-25 to -13%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	PAHIRINI
STARLING	-22%	-28 to -18%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	TĀRINGI
DUNNOCK	-26%	-34 to -16%	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●○●○	
GOLDFINCH	-28%	-35 to -22%	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●●●○	
SONG THRUSH	-35%	-40 to -31%	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	
SILVEREYE	-52%	-55 to -49%	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●●●○	TAUHO

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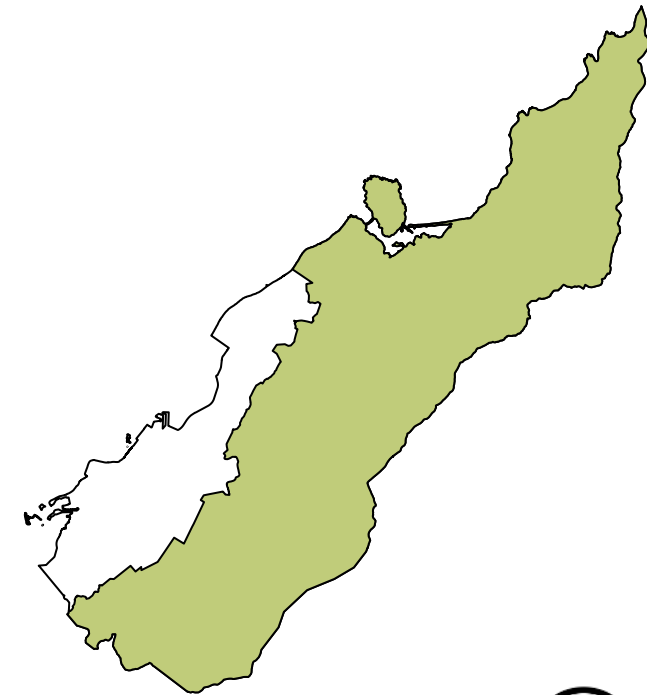
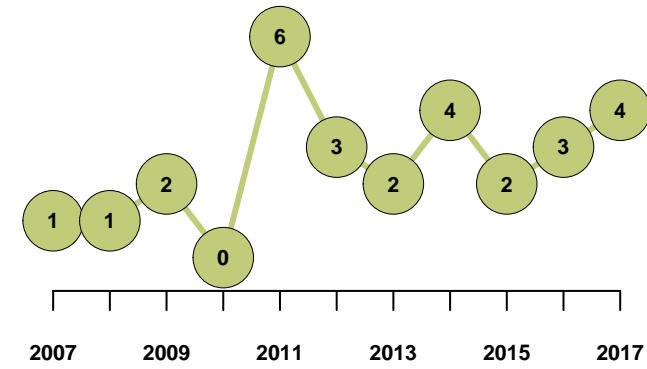
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### Rural (Incl. some Off Shore Islands)

	Median	80% Confidence Interval	Rapid decline	Moderate decline	Shallow decline	No or little change	Shallow increase	Moderate increase	Rapid increase	Quality rating	
HOUSE SPARROW	34%	29 to 41%	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●●●●●	TIU
GREENFINCH	33%	14 to 48%	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●●●●●	
TUI	15%	8 to 21%	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●●●●○	KŌKŌ
FANTAIL	5%	2 to 7%	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	●●●●●	PĪWAIWAKA
BELLBIRD	1%	-1 to 4%	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	●●●●●	KORIMAKO
BLACKBIRD	-16%	-19 to -13%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	MANU PANGO
DUNNOCK	-17%	-28 to -8%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●○	
STARLING	-19%	-25 to -15%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	TĀRINGI
CHAFFINCH	-20%	-24 to -15%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	PAHIRINI
NEW ZEALAND PIGEON	-21%	-30 to -15%	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	KERERŪ
SONG THRUSH	-30%	-35 to -25%	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	
GOLDFINCH	-33%	-39 to -27%	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	
SILVEREYE	-59%	-63 to -56%	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	TAUHOU

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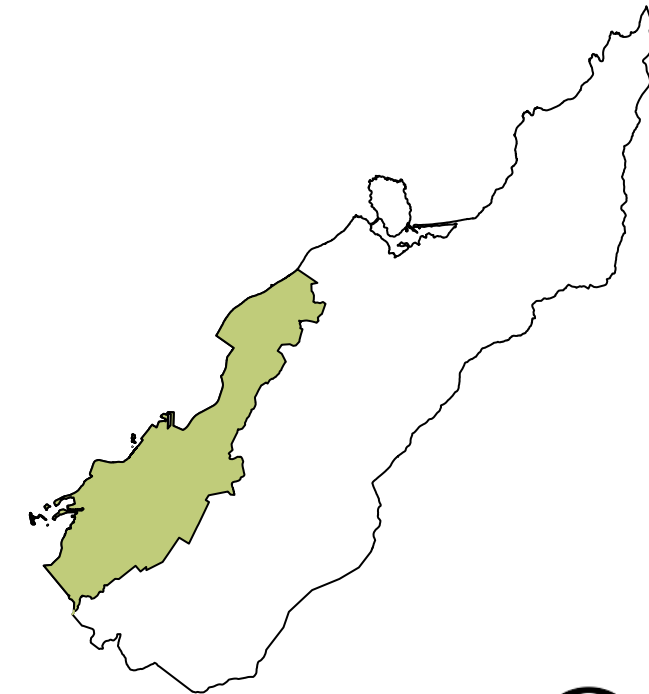
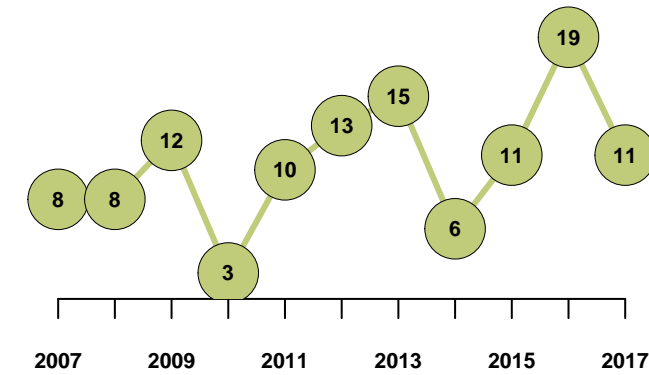
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	Median	80% Confidence Interval		Rapid decline	Moderate decline	Shallow decline	No or little change	Shallow increase	Moderate increase	Rapid increase	Quality rating	
GREENFINCH	68%	49	to 82%	○	○	○	○	○	●	○	●●●●○	
TUI	38%	33	to 43%	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●●●●●	KŌKŌ
FANTAIL	26%	20	to 31%	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●●●●●	PĪWAIWAKA
HOUSE SPARROW	17%	12	to 24%	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	●●●●●	TIU
BELLBIRD	10%	4	to 15%	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○●○●○	KORIMAKO
STARLING	1%	-4	to 6%	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	TĀRINGI
SONG THRUSH	-10%	-16	to -5%	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●○●○●	
BLACKBIRD	-11%	-14	to -8%	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●●●○●	MANU PANGO
CHAFFINCH	-13%	-19	to -8%	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●○	PAHIRINI
NEW ZEALAND PIGEON	-16%	-43	to 3%	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●●○●○	KERERŪ
DUNNOCK	-19%	-29	to -11%	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	
GOLDFINCH	-29%	-36	to -23%	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●○	
SILVEREYE	-30%	-34	to -27%	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●●●●●	TAUHOU

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