

North American Bird Conservation Initiative

Winter 2021 US Committee Meeting



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Counterclockwise from top right: California Quail,
Alexandra MacKenzie; American Avocet, Srikanth Vk;
Great Egret, Peter Massas; Meadowlark, John Carrel;
Wood Duck, Rich L



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Field Guide to Developing

Partnerships: Judith Scarl

Relevancy Toolkit: Steve

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Overview of Accomplishments



- Finalized Field Guide to Developing Partnerships
- Finalized Relevancy Toolkit 2.0
- Finalized International program brochures
- (Almost) Finalized Farm Bill Field Guide
- Proposal for NABCI's role in Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Justice
- Advanced 5 Game Changing Paradigms, including Road to Recovery Workshop

Meeting Theme

Changing Populations: Birds and People



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By DAVID K. SHARPER and BEN BRADLEY

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North America has lost nearly 3 billion birds over the past five decades

29 percent less signals weakened biodiversity crisis, study says

By KEVIN WICKLISSON

They were once intertwined with life from a very different, unimagined world. But now, the world has changed so much that the birds that once thrived in North America have nearly disappeared. A new study says that the continent has lost nearly 3 billion birds since 1970, a grim sign of environmental health.



Scientists say that the loss of birds is a sign of a much larger problem: the loss of biodiversity. The study found that the number of bird species in North America has declined by 29 percent since 1970. This is a significant loss, especially since birds play a crucial role in ecosystems. The study also found that the loss of birds is not just a problem for the birds themselves, but for the entire ecosystem. The loss of birds can lead to a loss of biodiversity, which can have a cascading effect on the entire ecosystem.

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By CARL ZIMMER

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North America has lost nearly 3 billion birds since 1970

By SOPHIE LEWIS
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North America has lost nearly 3 billion birds since 1970, a new study says. The study found that the number of bird species in North America has declined by 29 percent since 1970. This is a significant loss, especially since birds play a crucial role in ecosystems. The study also found that the loss of birds is not just a problem for the birds themselves, but for the entire ecosystem. The loss of birds can lead to a loss of biodiversity, which can have a cascading effect on the entire ecosystem.

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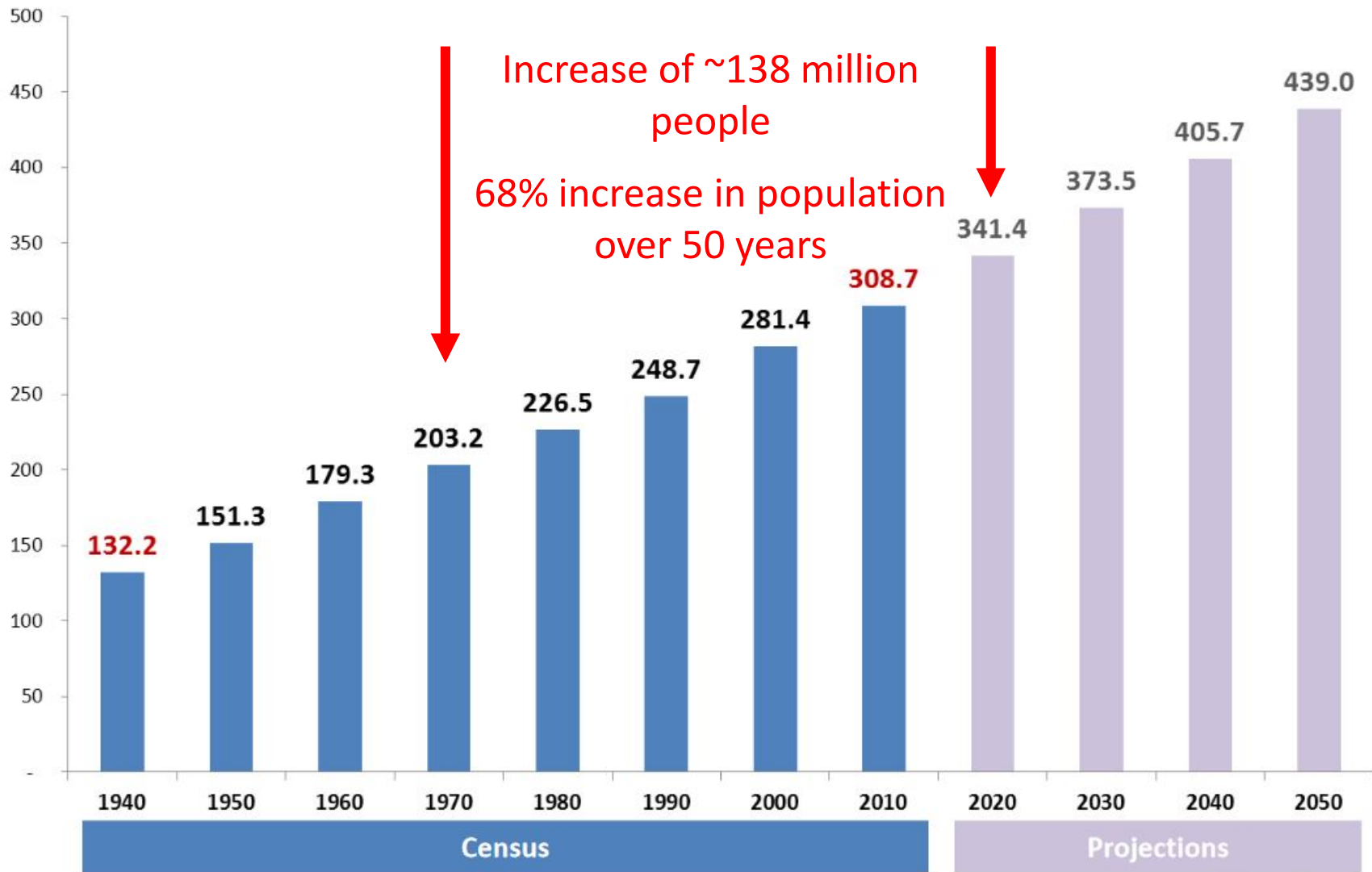
SPACE SCIENCE

US and Canada have lost 2.9 billion birds since 1970, study says

By Ashley Strickland, CNN
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U.S. Population in Millions: 1940 to 2050

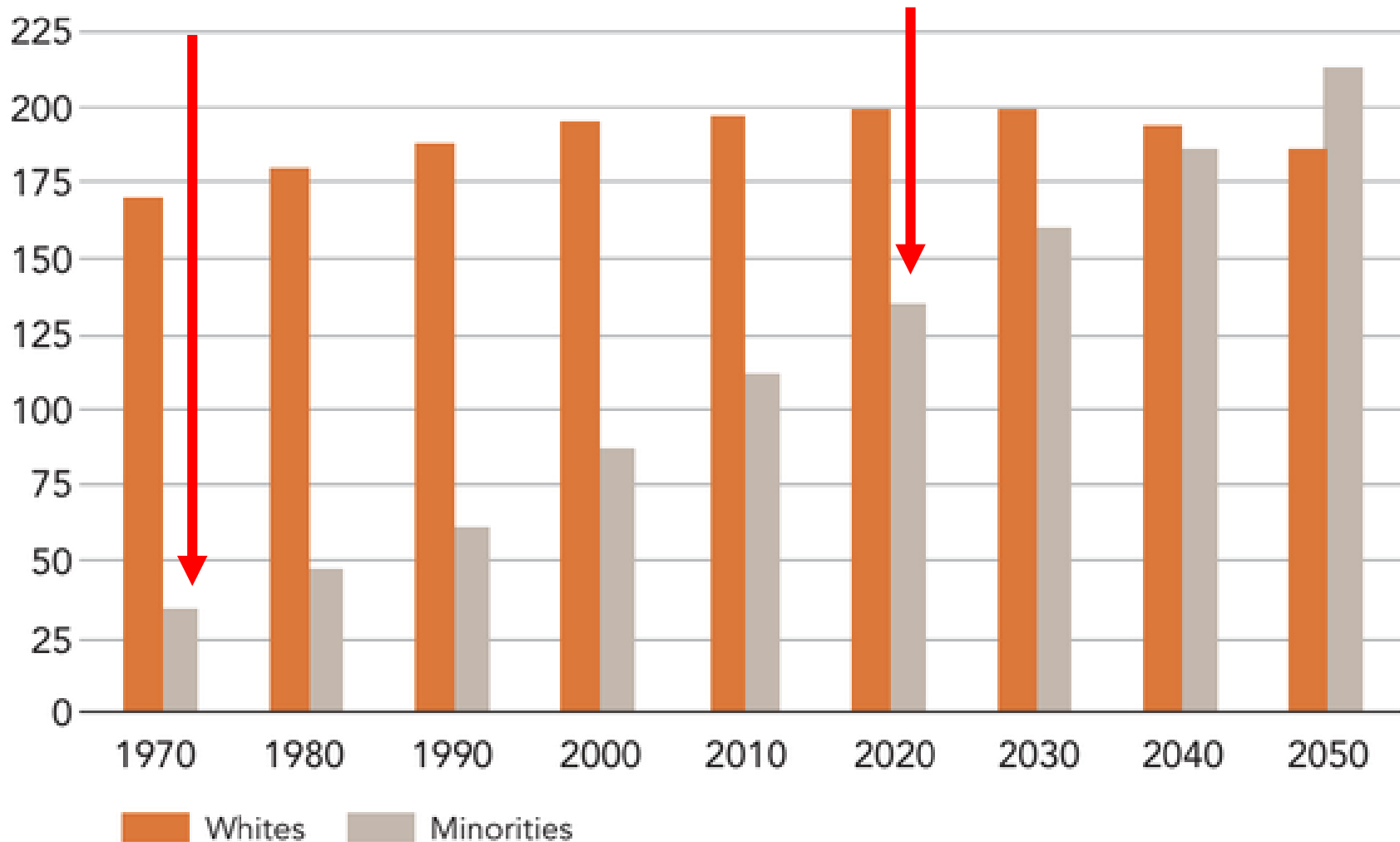


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1940 to 2010 Decennial Censuses; 2008 National Population Projections

FIGURE 1.1

U.S. White and Minority Populations, 1970–2050

Millions



Source: U.S. censuses and Census Bureau projections, various years.





Changing Populations: Birds and People

... a crossroads in
conservation

Meeting Outline

- **3 Billion Birds and 5 Game Changing Paradigms: Setting the Framework**
- **Identifying Human Dimensions to Address the Bird Declines (Road to Recovery Science)**
- **Developing Broad, Creative Partnerships (Unprecedented Coalitions)**
- **Embracing True Representation to be Relevant (DEIJ- Unprecedented Coalition)**



Strategic Planning



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Key Questions



- What are the key **Human Dimensions** questions that will help us **build stronger partnerships, better target conservation efforts** and **remove barriers to bird conservation**?
- **Who do we need** at the “conservation table” who is not there?
- **What “tables” outside of conservation can we join** to be more effective and have more influence?



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