

About the impact of climate change on birds

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Red Knot wintering on the Kinburn Spit. Photo by Z. Petrovich

The impact of climate change on bird species or populations is manifested as follows:

- ✓ shifting the timing of spring arrival to earlier dates;
- ✓ shifting the timing of autumn departure to later dates;
- ✓ shifting the boundaries of the nesting area in the direction of its expansion or contraction;
- ✓ shifting the boundaries of the winter range in the direction of its expansion;
- ✓ creating favorable conditions for wintering of individual individuals of species that did not winter before, etc.

During the 21st century, in the south of Ukraine, nesting Greater Flamingo (*Phoenicopterus roseus*), Cattle Egret (*Bubulcus ibis*), Spanish Sparrow (*Passer hispaniolensis*) etc.



Greater Flamingo Photo by E. Chernolev;
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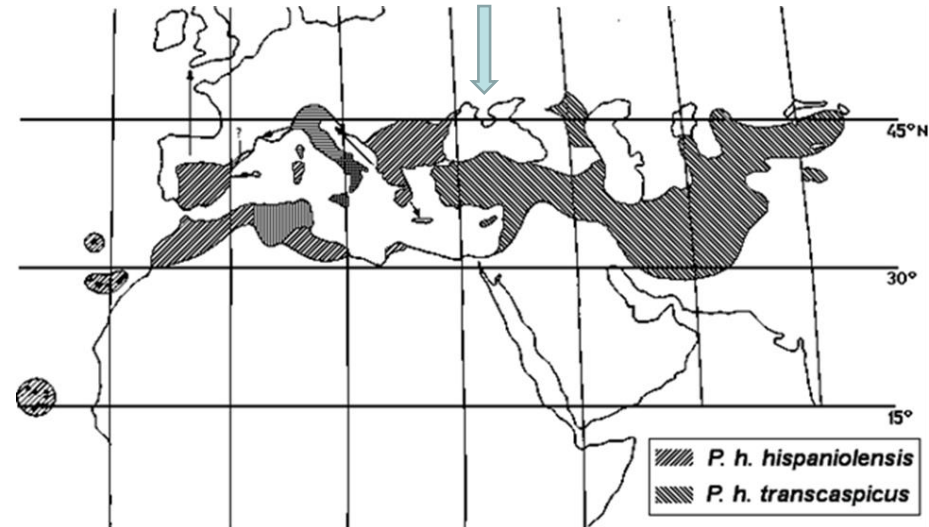
Spanish Sparrow
Photo by Z. Petrovich



Cattle Egret
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Example with the Spanish Sparrow

Breeding range of the Black-breasted Sparrow (according to Denis Summers-Smith, 2010) with modifications concerning the distribution of the species in southern Russia.



Nesting range of the species in Ukraine by the end of 2017 (according to Panchenko et al., 2017)

1 – area with high nesting density initially populated; 2 – isolated nesting sites identified in recent years; 3 – encounters during the nesting period.



Thank you for your attention!

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