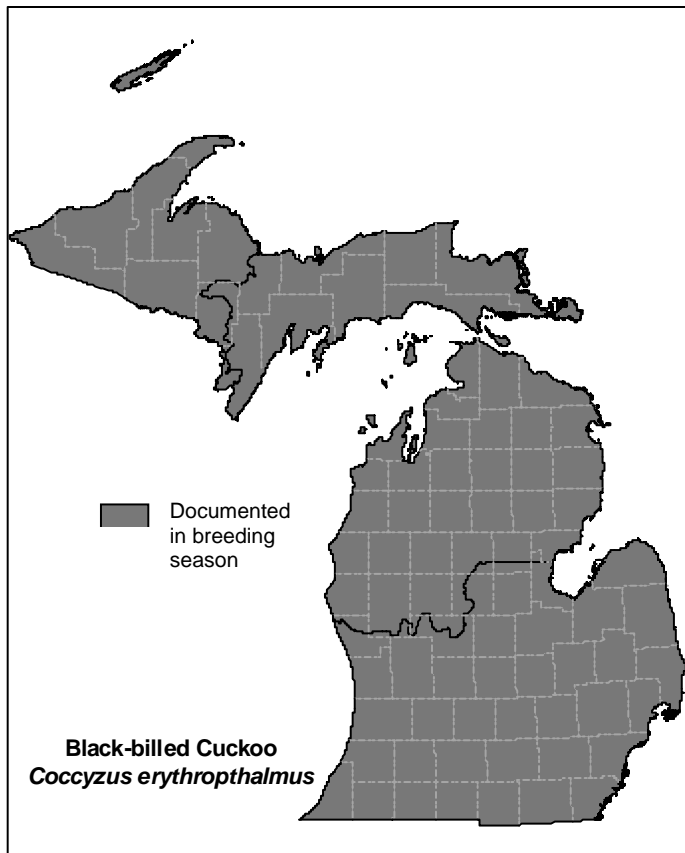


BIRDS



Black-billed Cuckoo

(*Coccyzus erythrophthalmus*)

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE: Black-billed Cuckoo abundance likely increased as Michigan was settled and additional suitable habitat was created. Currently, a decline in numbers is being observed in the Southern Lower Peninsula.

ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES: lowland shrub; upland shrub; mesic conifer; dry conifer

ASSOCIATED THREATS: incompatible natural resource mgmt; industrial/residential/recreational development; invasive plants & animals; other biological interactions (fluctuations in population with tent caterpillar outbreaks); pesticides & herbicides