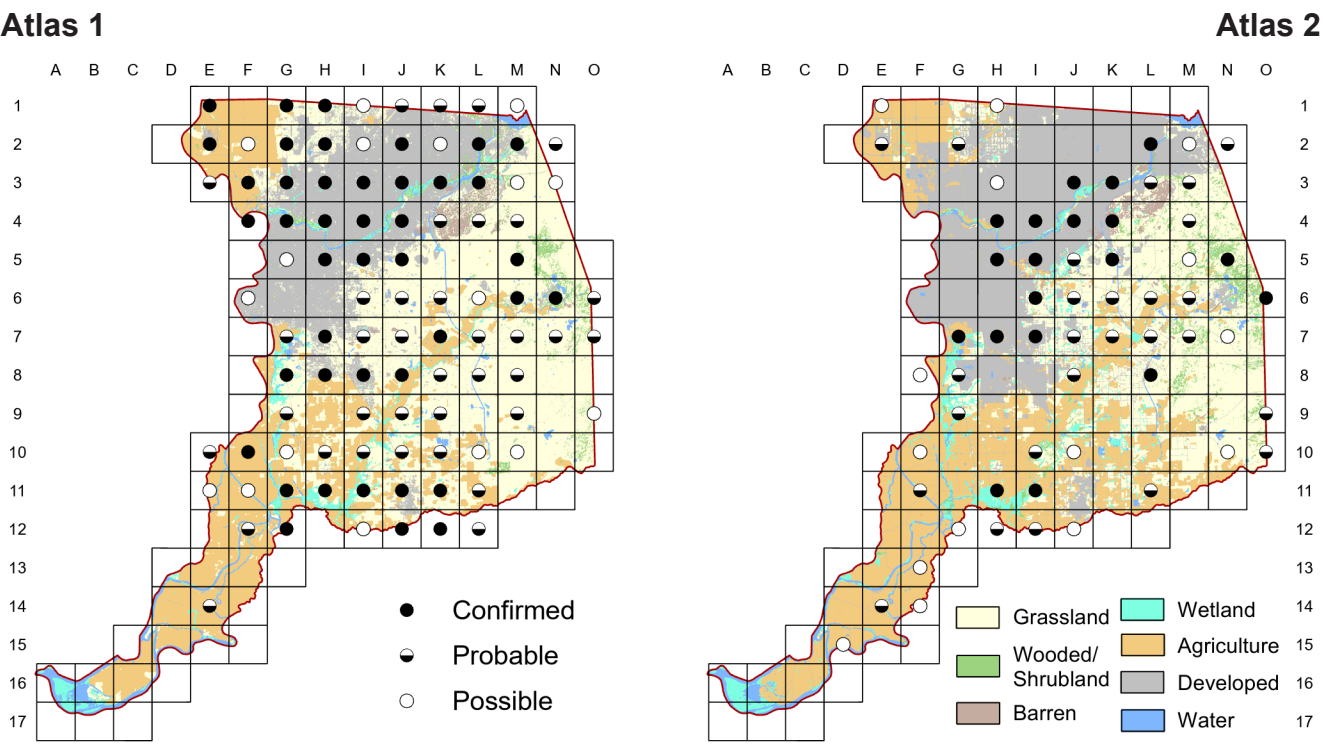


California Quail

Callipepla californica



Consistent with long-term statewide trends, it appears the California Quail has declined in Sacramento County between the two atlases. Blocks that have seen increased urbanization north and south of the city of Sacramento seem to account for much of the losses. Development not only consumes breeding habitat, but also brings predators (domestic and wild) into proximity of ground-nesting species such as this quail.

Breeding Bird Survey Trend (1966–2019)

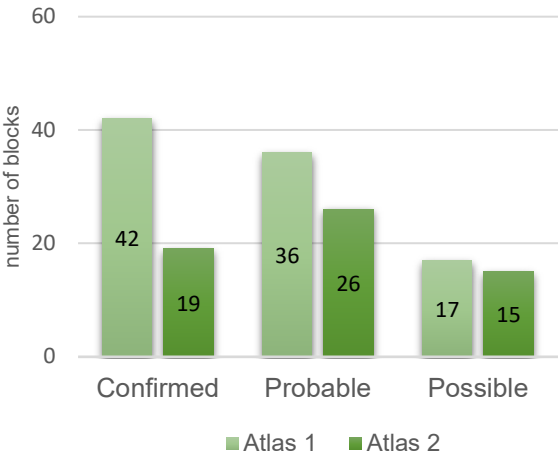
California	Rangewide ¹
–0.85% / year ^s	0.81% / year ⁿ

¹North America; ^ssignificant, ⁿnonsignificant; Source: Sauer et al. 2020

Breeding Habitat

Variety; always with significant shrubs/understory

Comparison of Atlas Results



Nest Type

Concealed grassy nest on ground

7 August 2018

Block L-8

Heard contact calls and got quick glimpse of both adults and at least five recently fledged young before they disappeared in bushes.