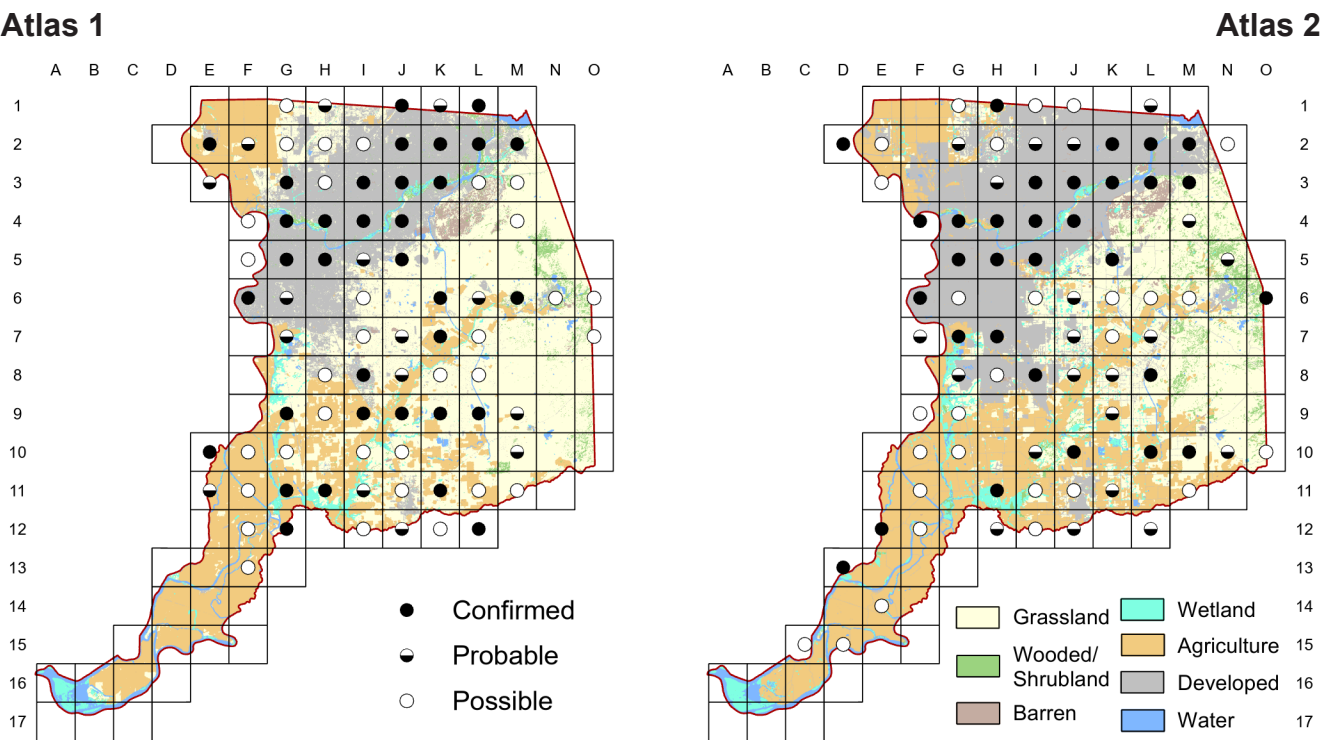


Red-shouldered Hawk

Buteo lineatus



Red-shouldered Hawks increased dramatically in Sacramento County in the 1980s, expanding out from a small core population along the Sacramento and American rivers to occupy nearly all the surrounding urban and suburban woodland habitats. This expansion appeared to be part of a statewide trend. The distribution and population numbers of Red-shouldered Hawks in the county appear to have remained stable between atlas periods.

Breeding Bird Survey Trend (1966–2019)

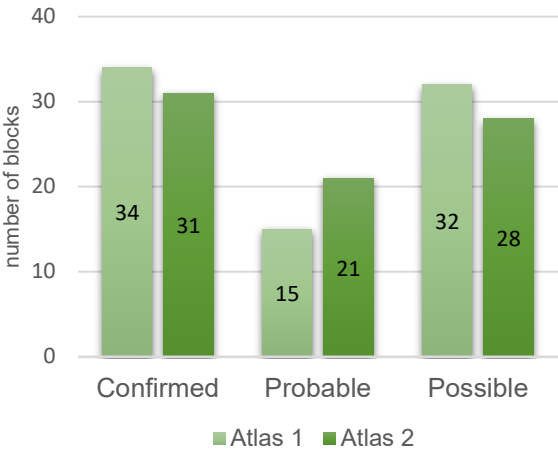
California	Rangewide ¹
3.58% / year ^s	2.32% / year ^s

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

Breeding Habitat

Wooded habitats including urban forests

Comparison of Atlas Results



Nest Type

Lined stick nest in tree

1927

R. Hoffmann

Often a pair of Red-bellied Hawks are seen in spring high overhead, passing and repassing each other in easy circles.