

Birding in SuBIRDia!



NEBRASKA STATEWIDE
Arboretum



“All
Things
Green”

Free 1st Thursday Brownbags

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AUDUBON NEBRASKA

*Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center near Denton & Iain
Nicolson Audubon Center at Rowe Sanctuary.*



**WORKING
LANDS**

COASTS

WATER

CLIMATE

**BIRD
FRIENDLY
COMMUNITIES**

Nebraska's Birds:

How much do you know?



Photo: Adrian Olivera

☐ How Many Birds In Nebraska?

461

366

225

☐ What's our State Bird?

Western Meadowlark

☐ Heaviest bird in Nebraska?

Trumpeter Swan

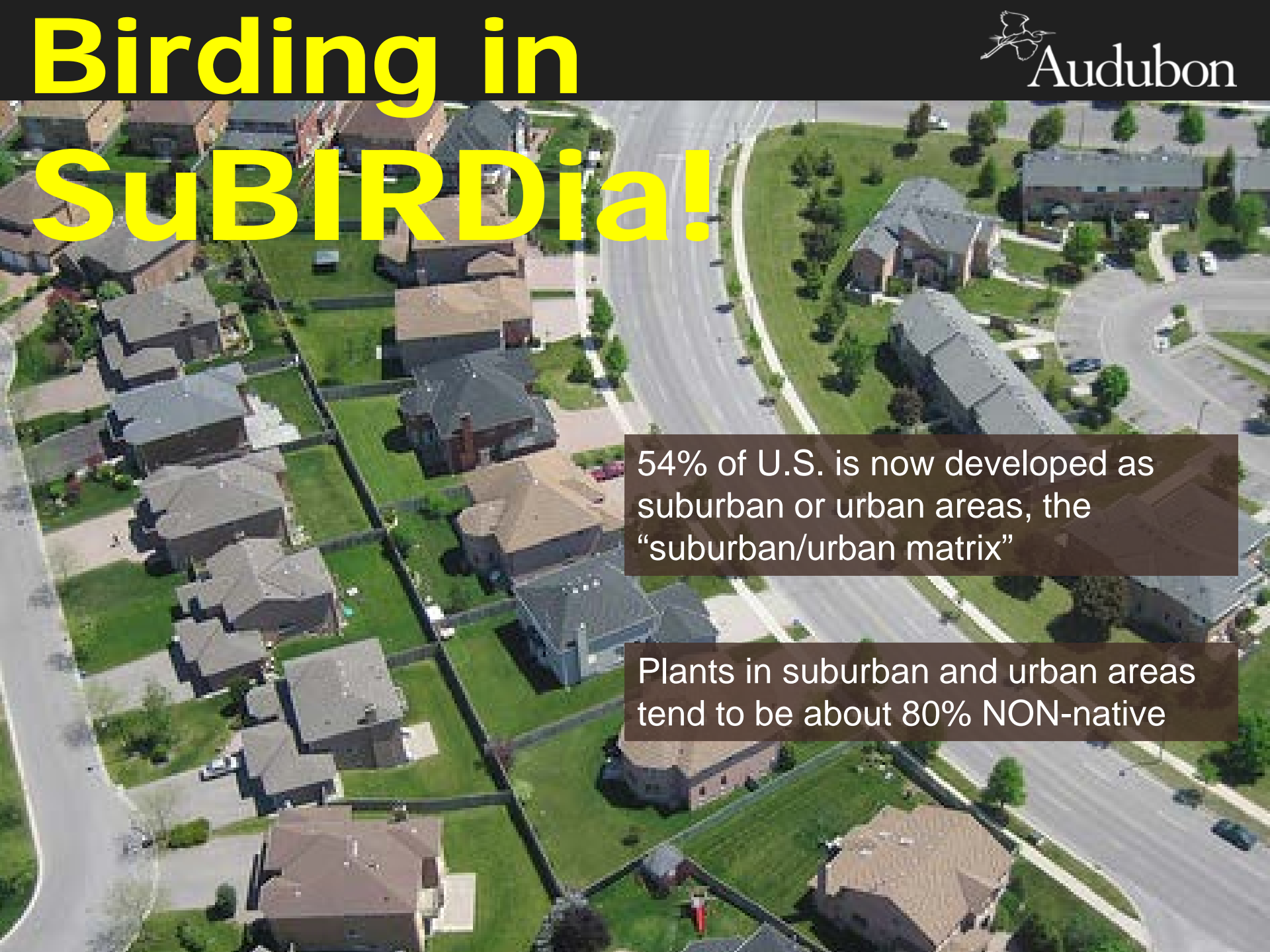
☐ Lightest bird in Nebraska?

**Ruby-throated
hummingbird**

☐ Fastest bird in Nebraska?

Peregrine Falcon

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54% of U.S. is now developed as suburban or urban areas, the “suburban/urban matrix”

Plants in suburban and urban areas tend to be about 80% NON-native

SuBIRDia does exist!

 Audubon



Bird-Friendly Communities



**Meeting birds' needs
in the places people live**

**Food
Shelter
Safe passage
Places to raise
young**



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Native Plants Are Better for Birds

Four Plant Food Groups for Birds

- Berries and fruits
- Nuts and seeds
- Nectar
- ?



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**96% of land birds
feed insects to
their chicks**





Best Caterpillar Trees

Oak	557
Willow	456
Cherry	456
Birch	413
Crabapple	311
Blueberry	288
Maple	285
Pine	203
Hickory	200



**Nestling
chickadees eat
390-570
caterpillars per
day, or...**

**...over 9,000
caterpillars until
they fledge**

Leaf Litter



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Minimize Pesticide Use





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**What plants are
native to my
area?**

**What birds can
I attract?**

**How can I get
local support?**

Native Plants Database

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Bring more birds to your home with native plants

Enter your zip code to use Audubon's native plants database and view a list of the best plants for birds in your area, as well as local resources and links to more information. By entering your email address, you'll receive an emailed list of the native plants you've selected, get additional tips on creating your bird-friendly habitat, and help us keep track of your contributions to our efforts to get 1 million native plants for birds in the ground. [Privacy Policy](#)

Purple Coneflower and American Goldfinch. Photo: Will Stuart

Native Plants Database

The Coleman and Susan Burke Center for Native Plants

Search

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📍 We've found native plants for your zip code. The nearest Audubon offering native plant services is [Iain Nicolson Audubon Center at Rowe Sanctuary](#) in Gibbon, NE. [They can help.](#)

Best Results ⁴⁰

Full Results ¹⁵⁷

Local Resources

Next Steps

The Best Results for your area have been hand-selected by Audubon experts in your region. They are important bird resources that are relatively easy to grow and are available at native plant nurseries. Filter your results by types of plants, resources, and the bird families you'd like to attract, or search for specific plant names. Add plants to your list by selecting the checkbox below each plant profile. Then click the orange "Get your plant list" button below to receive an emailed list.

All types of plants

All plant resources

Attracts: Any type of bird

Filter by plant name

Clear all filters

Add all plants below to your list | [Clear List](#)

Sort by: [Common Name](#) | [Scientific Name](#)

Common Yarrow (*Achillea millefolium*)



A spreading perennial herb with feathery compound leaves that grows to three feet tall. Its flower heads are arranged in large, flat, compact clusters at the top of the stem. There is some confusion over the categorization of this species in North America, as substantial hybridization has occurred between native and Eurasian strains. Common Yarrow forms spreading colonies and may be best suited for naturalized areas.

Annuals/Per.

Nuts

☐ Add to your plant list



Sparrows



Chickadees & Titmice



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White Sagebrush (*Artemisia ludoviciana*)



Also known as White Sage, White Sagewort, and Prairie Sage. A perennial shrub that grows to 3 feet in size, with attractive silvery foliage. Medium-low water use.

Shrubs

Annuals/Per.

Evergreen

Nuts

☐ Add to your plant list



Finches



Crows & Jays



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Swamp Milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*)



BROWN THRASHERS love native shrubs!

- American Plum
- Red Mulberry
- Smooth Sumac



ORCHARD ORIOLES love dogwoods
and American Plum thickets.

BALTIMORE
ORIOLES love
American Elm
and other
native trees!



Woodpeckers!



Nuthatches!



Bluebirds & blue birds!



Blackbirds & black birds!



Wrens & Finches!



Hawks & Falcons!



THANK YOU!



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