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Hi Jordan. Here are the population estimates for 2020 and 2021. Population estimate methods vary somewhat between islands/managers, but mostly are the result of their observations of known banded birds and unbanded birds. If this information is used, please cite as indicated.

2021 Nēnē state-wide population estimate from Nēnē Recovery Action Group (NRAG)

Please note that this number is only a rough estimate of the number of nene based on an annual count or survey conducted on each island using different methodologies. Please cite as (Nene Recovery Action Group (NRAG) 2022).

- Maui = **354** (**NOTE**: We used to include estimates for HALE, Hanaula-West Central Maui, Piiholo/Upcountry, and South Maui (includes birds from Kauai translocations and offspring), however, due to increased movements of many birds across the island, we are moving to an island-wide estimate only)
- · Molokaʻi = 6
- Kauaʻi = 2,430 (1,127 Hanalei NWR/Kilauea Point NWR and Princeville; 155 Kipu Kai/Kauai Lagoons/Airport/Lihue/Huleia NWR; 644 Na Pali coast/Kokee SP/Makaha Ridge; 257 Koloa/Poipu Bay CG/Kiahuna GS; and 247 Moloaa/Anahola/Kealia/Kauai Ranch)
- Hawai'i = 1,074 (336 West Hawaii (Puuwaawaa/Big Island Country Club/Waikaloa/Puuanahulu); 260 Puu Oo (from KL, 1 bird moved here from Oahu); 124 Hakalau; 182 HAVO; (0 Kahuku -- all birds are from elsewhere); 84 Keaau/Hilo (0 Keauhou II/Kulani -- all these birds are counted at Hakalau and Puuanahulu and Kipuka Ainahou also counted at Hakalau and Puuanahulu), 46 Kulani, 42 Kau.

TOTAL ~ 3,864

2020 Nēnē state-wide population estimate from Nēnē Recovery Action Group (NRAG)

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- Maui = **477** (**NOTE**: We used to include estimates for HALE, Hanaula-West Central Maui, Piiholo/Upcountry, and South Maui (includes birds from Kauai translocations and offspring), however, due to increased movements of many birds across the island, we are moving to an island-wide estimate only)
- · Molokaʻi = 23
- Kauaʻi = 2,266 (1004 Hanalei NWR/Kilauea Point NWR and Princeville; 230 Kipu Kai/Kauai Lagoons/Airport/Lihue/Huleia NWR; 457 Na Pali coast/Kokee SP/Makaha Ridge; 254 Koloa/Poipu Bay CG/Kiahuna GS; and 321 Moloaa/Anahola/Kealia/Kauai Ranch)
- Hawaiʻi = 1,099 (330 West Hawaii (Puuwaawaa/Big Island Country Club/Waikaloa/Puuanahulu); 262 Puu Oo (from KL, 1 bird moved here from Oahu); 152 Hakalau; 191 HAVO; (0 Kahuku -- all birds are from elsewhere); 76 Keaau/Hilo (0 Keauhou II/Kulani -- all these birds are counted at Hakalau and Puuanahulu and Kipuka Ainahou also counted at Hakalau and Puuanahulu), 28 Kulani, 60 Kau.

TOTAL ~ 3,865

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