

# GEORGIA 2021 BAT ROOST MONITORING PROJECT REPORT

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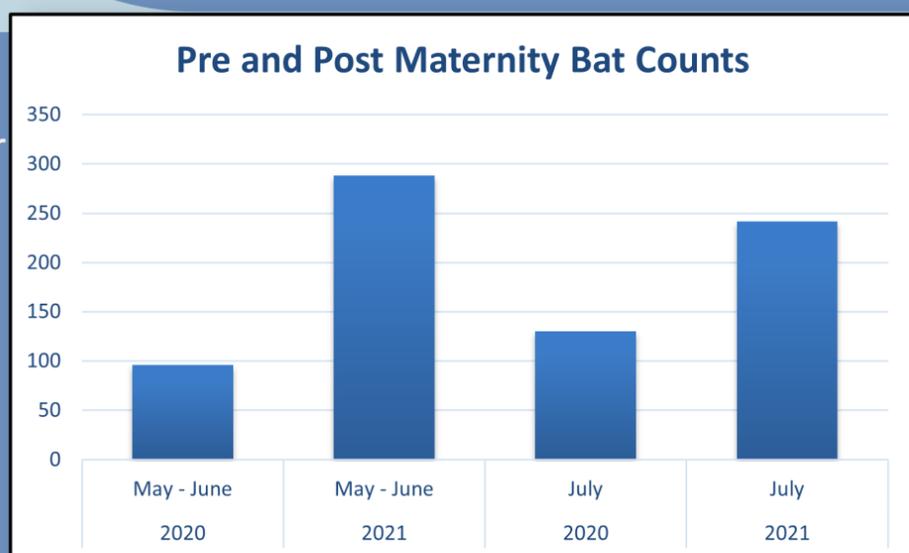


## ANNUAL BAT COUNTS

The GA DNR Bat Roost Monitoring Project is designed to collect data for two summer periods. We want participants to count bats before and after pups are born each year.

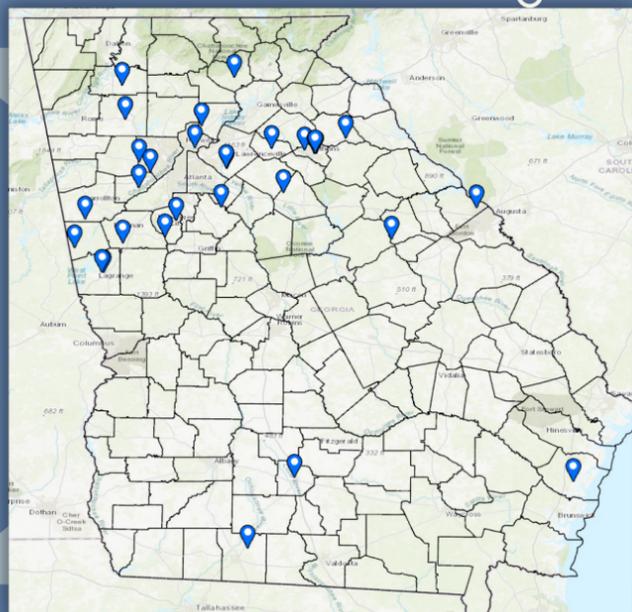
## 2021-2022 RESULTS

Overall, counts were higher in 2022, even with fewer sites. However, because of a heat wave in July, many bats appear to have left roosts earlier so the late summer counts were lower.



## BATS OF GEORGIA

Georgia is home to 16 species of bats that forage on flying insects, many of which are pests. Big brown bats (left) are the most commonly reported bat roosting in bat houses in Georgia.



## STATEWIDE SURVEYS

Though we did get additional sites throughout the state this year, we still need higher participation to measure long-term trends. Spread the word!



## SAVE OUR SKY PUPPIES

Want to help our bat populations in Georgia? Become a citizen scientist and volunteer for the GA DNR Bat Roost Monitoring Project. Don't have a bat roost to monitor? Install a bat house in your neighborhood.

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 BATS OF GEORGIA AND WHAT  
 GA DNR IS DOING FOR WILDLIFE  
 IN OUR STATE

