



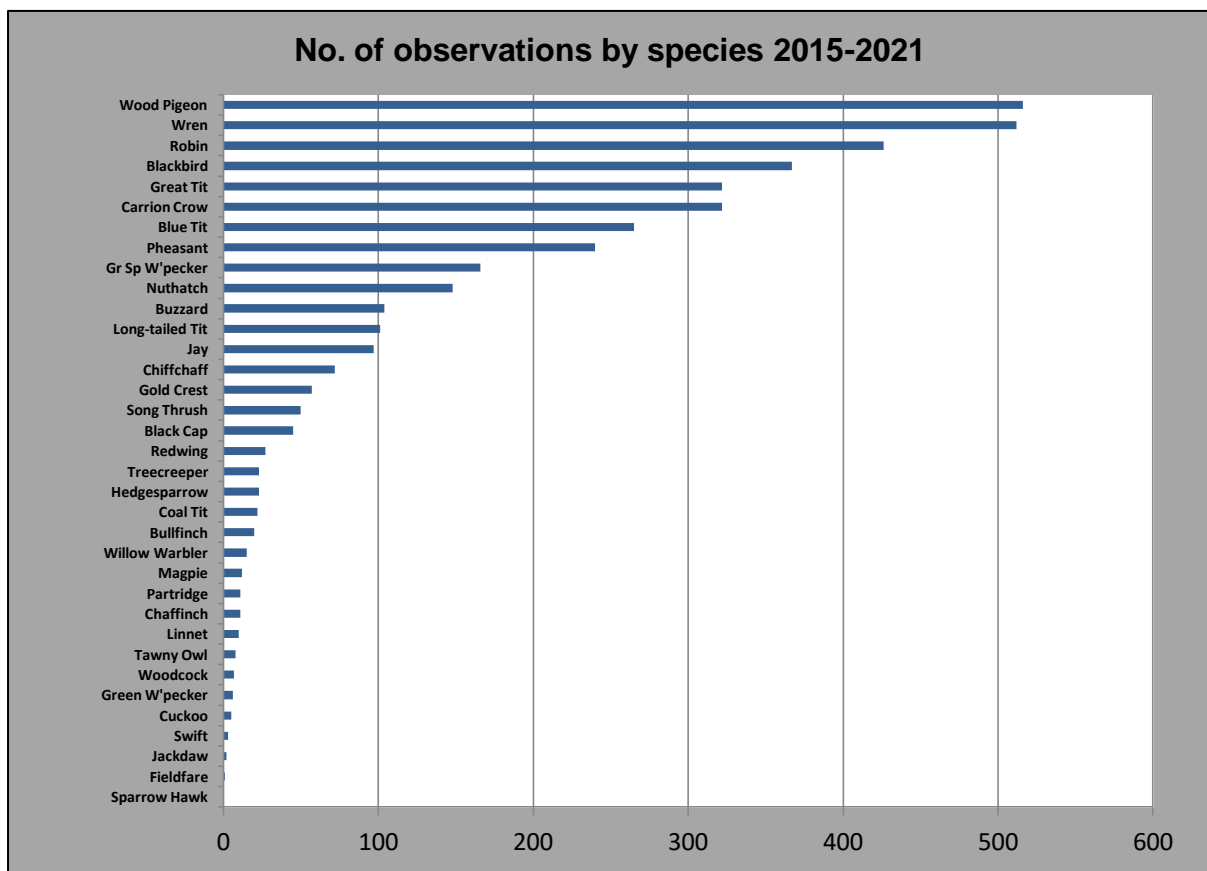
Sandhurst Cope & Sheepwalk

BIRD SURVEY REPORTS 2015 – 2021

There is no artificial feeding or lures for birds in Sandhurst Cope & Sheepwalk. The regular survey of birds is an indicator of the health and good management of the woodland. The picture is remarkably stable. 34 Species were recorded in the 2015 - 2021 period compared to 36 in the period 2009-2017. Sparrow Hawk and the relatively rare Lesser Spotted Woodpecker were absent in the more recent period. However that I have seen a Sparrow hawk with prey, although not at the time of one of the surveys.

The top 11 species are the same in each period except that Nuthatch has joined the top group at the expense of Jay!

The bird surveys are carried out monthly by Jackie Blizard. There is a prescribed path in 12 sections. Any species observed or heard in each section is recorded once.



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