

Habitat Model for Species: Black-billed Cuckoo

Alpha Code: BBCU Status: Breeding

[Distribution Map](#)

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Landcover Category

0 - Comments

Hughes, 1999

Spencer, 1943

Bent, 1940

Zimmerman, 1993

Nolan, 1963

[Reviewer]

[YBCU habitat]

Habitat Restrictions

Comments

usually prefers more densely wooded areas than Yellow-billed Cuckoos, and may be found more frequently in coniferous vegetation; however, they can nests in wooded areas, and low woodland thicket in mixed woodland in MI. (no KS vegetation association) often found with yellow-billed cuckoo but is rather more of a woodland bird.

Rock outcrops on Konza prairie dominated by rough-leaved dogwood. (Areas too small to map) Found in scrub habitats (thickets of blackberry and stands of hawthorn in brushy fields in Indiana. No KS landcover associated with this habitat.

D. Rintoul - observed BBCU incubating eggs in forested ridge just north of Konza in 1995.

Prefers open woodland with clearings and low, dense, scrubby vegetation; often associated with

02 - Oak-Hickory Forest

[YBCU habitat]

04 - Pecan Floodplain Forest

[YBCU habitat]

05 - Ash-Elm-Hackberry Floodplain Forest

Faanes, 1987

[YBCU habitat]

06 - Cottonwood Floodplain Forest

[YBCU habitat]

07 - Mixed Oak Floodplain

[YBCU habitat]

08 - Bur Oak Floodplain Woodland

[YBCU habitat]

09 - Mixed Oak Ravine

[YBCU habitat]

11 - Cottonwood Floodplain Woodland

[YBCU habitat]

14 - Willow Shrubland

Brooks, 1971

[YBCU habitat]

36 - Cottonwood Savanna - not mapped

[YBCU habitat]

50 - Deciduous Forest-Mined Land

[YBCU habitat]

51 - Maple Floodplain Forest

[YBCU habitat]

55 - Deciduous Woodland

[YBCU habitat]

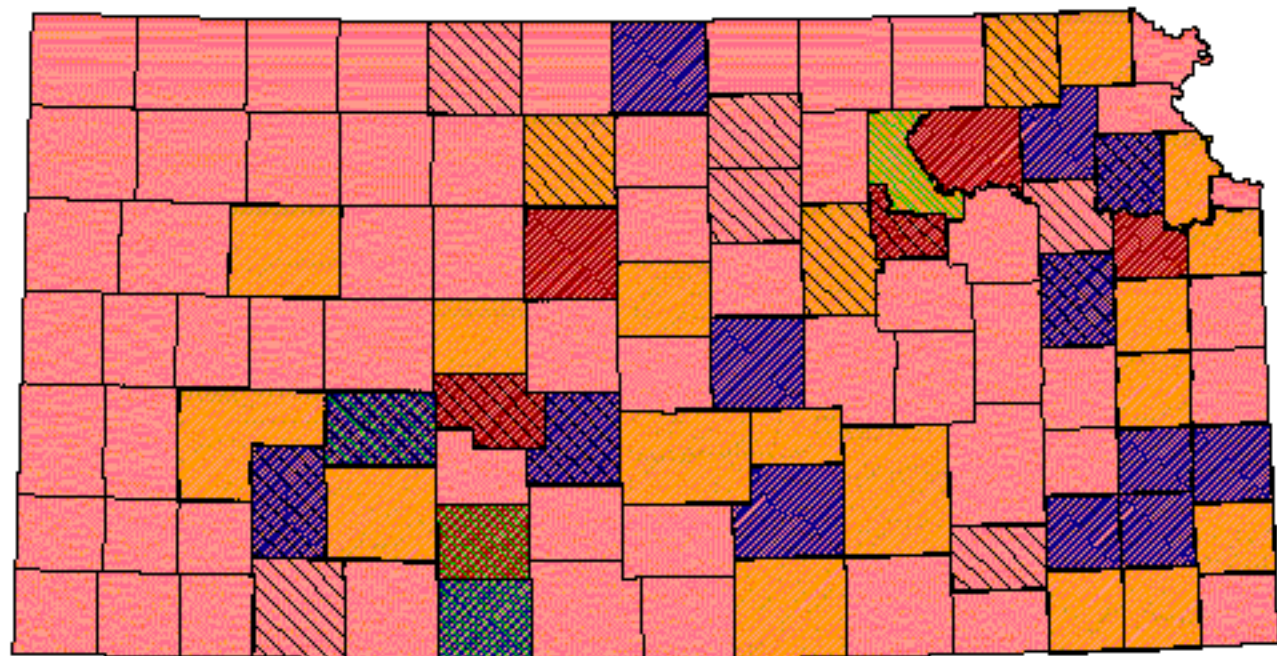
81 - Urban Areas

[YBCU habitat] avoids "large" urban areas. Shade trees and gardens.


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Kansas Breeding Bird Atlas


 Confirmed Breeding

 Probable Breeding

 Possible Breeding

 Breeding Bird Survey

 *Birds of Kansas,*
Horned Lark

 Range from Johnsgard, 1998
The Birds of Nebraska

Habitat

All shaded counties will be included in the possible distribution of the species.

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