



UK Reported Birdstrikes 2025

Disclaimer

Notes on interpretation of UK Birdstrike Data

- The CAA's view is that the volume of birdstrikes reported at a particular airport or aerodrome does not imply greater risk.
- Users should exercise caution in forming any conclusion or opinion based on quantitative data alone.
- The CAA disclaims all responsibility for any interpretation which might be made by others in receipt of this birdstrike data.

Reported Birdstrikes

Analysis parameters and caveats

- Occurrences reported in the UK.
- Includes voluntary and mandatory occurrence reports.
- Multiple operation types included (commercial, non-commercial, aerial work, general aviation).
- Multiple aircraft types included (fixed-wing powered and non-powered aircraft, rotorcraft, microlights).
- Focused on bird species (when the information was available, other wildlife species were excluded).
- Analysis period: 01-Jan-2025 to 31-Dec-2025.

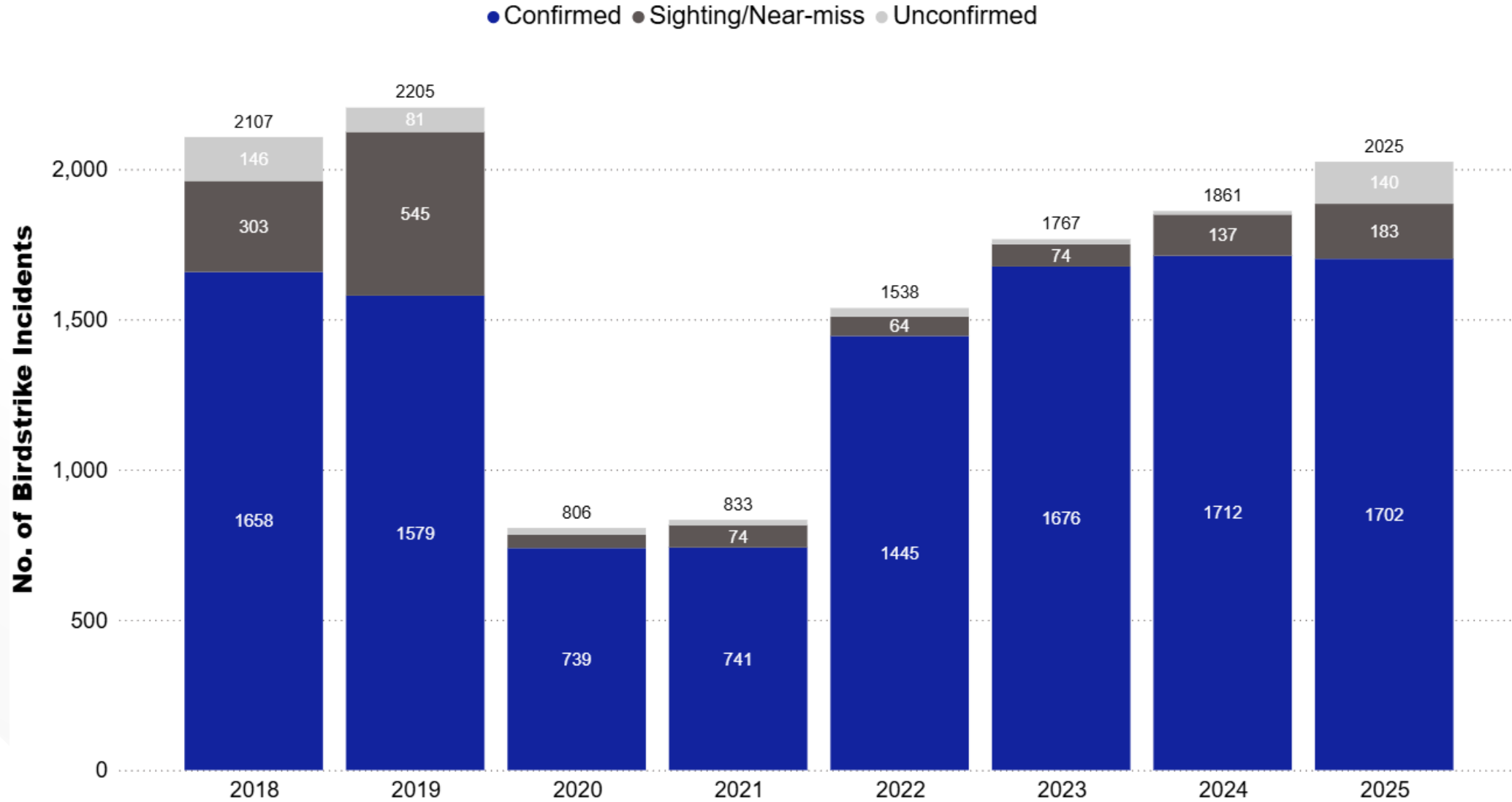
Considers:

- Confirmed birdstrikes: collision between a bird/wildlife and an aircraft for which evidence, in the form of a carcass, or other remains, is found on the ground; or damage and/or other evidence is found on the aircraft.
- Unconfirmed birdstrikes: collision between a bird/wildlife and an aircraft for which no physical evidence is found (i.e. no damage to the aircraft is evident upon inspection, and no bird remains, carcass or blood smears are evident on the airframe).
- Significant Events (Near misses): occurrence where the presence of birds/wildlife in the air or on the ground resulted in an effect on a flight but where no physical evidence of an actual wildlife strike exists.
- While every effort is made to stay consistent, the information contained is subject to revision as new occurrence reports are filed, processed and/or any ongoing investigations are completed.
- ECCAIRS2 data contains records that are from industry and cannot be guaranteed completeness of this information by the Safety Intelligence Team.
- For additional information please refer to CAP772: [Wildlife Hazard Management at Aerodromes](#)

Please direct any questions relating to this data to Safety.Intelligence@caa.co.uk

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Annual Summary By Status: 2018 - 2025



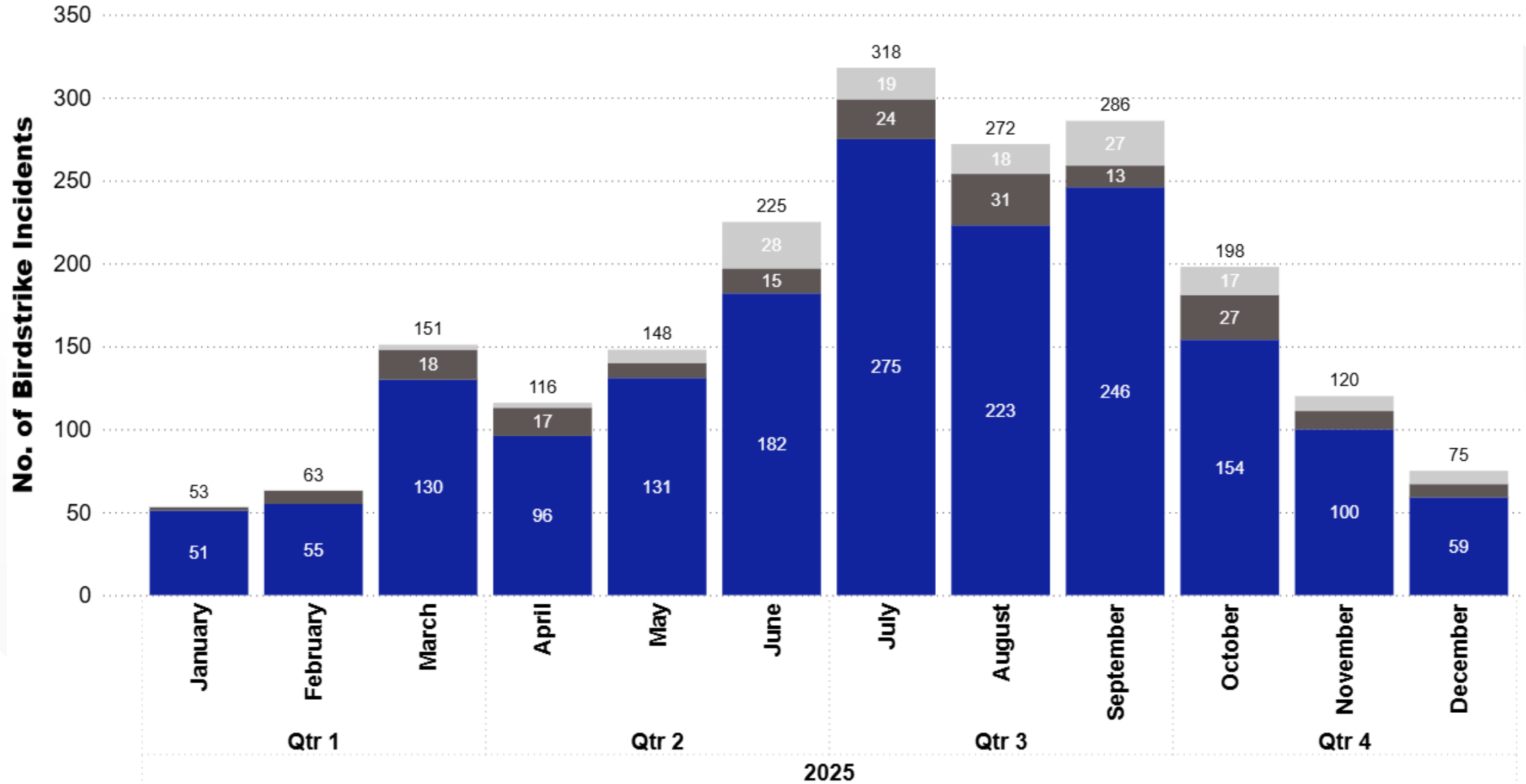
Please note: There may be some slight variation in numbers for previous years due to further information being received and/or system changes that have been implemented.

Reported Birdstrikes

By Month and Status



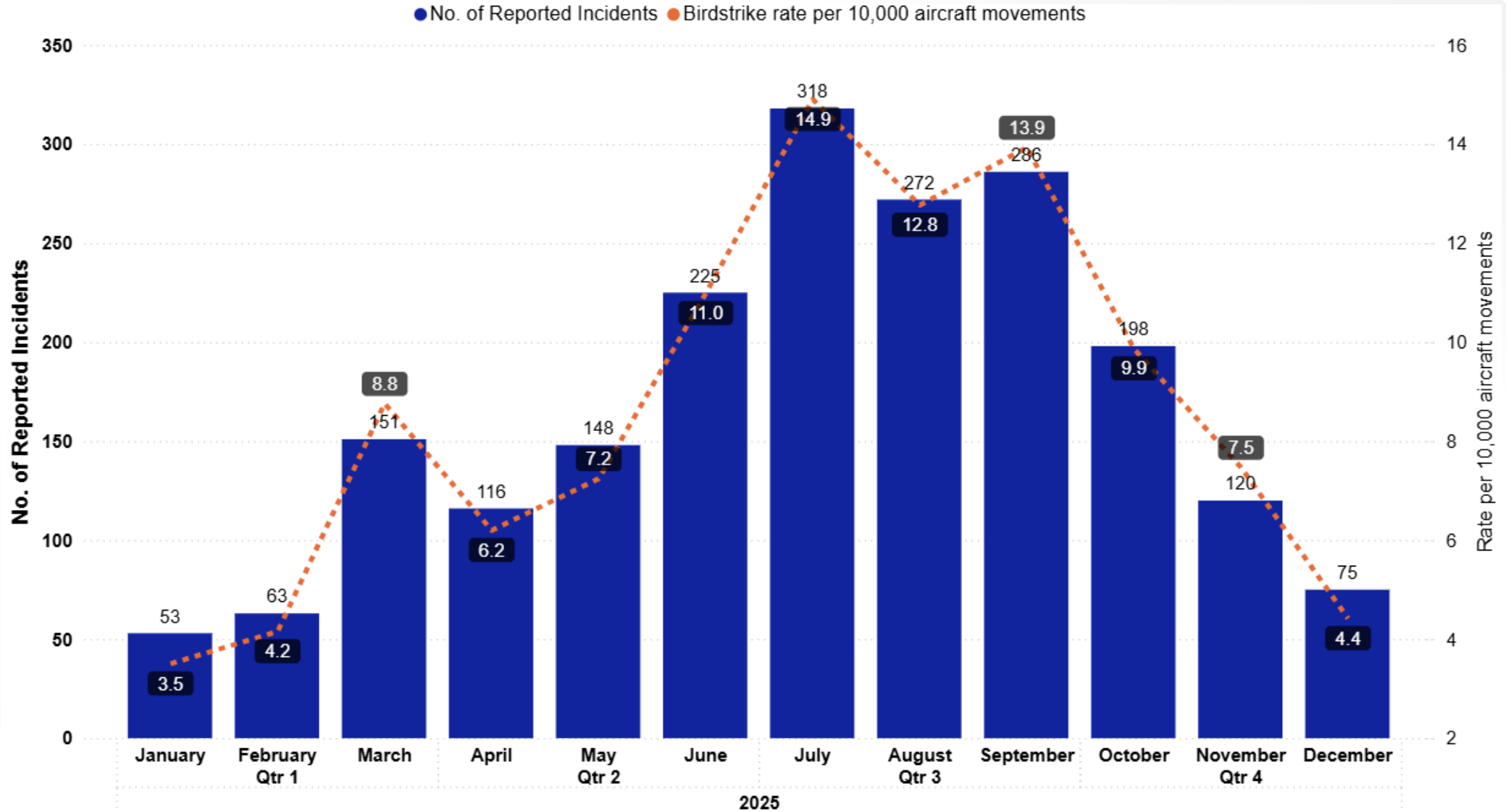
● Confirmed ● Sighting/Near-miss ● Unconfirmed



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Rate per 10,000 aircraft movements

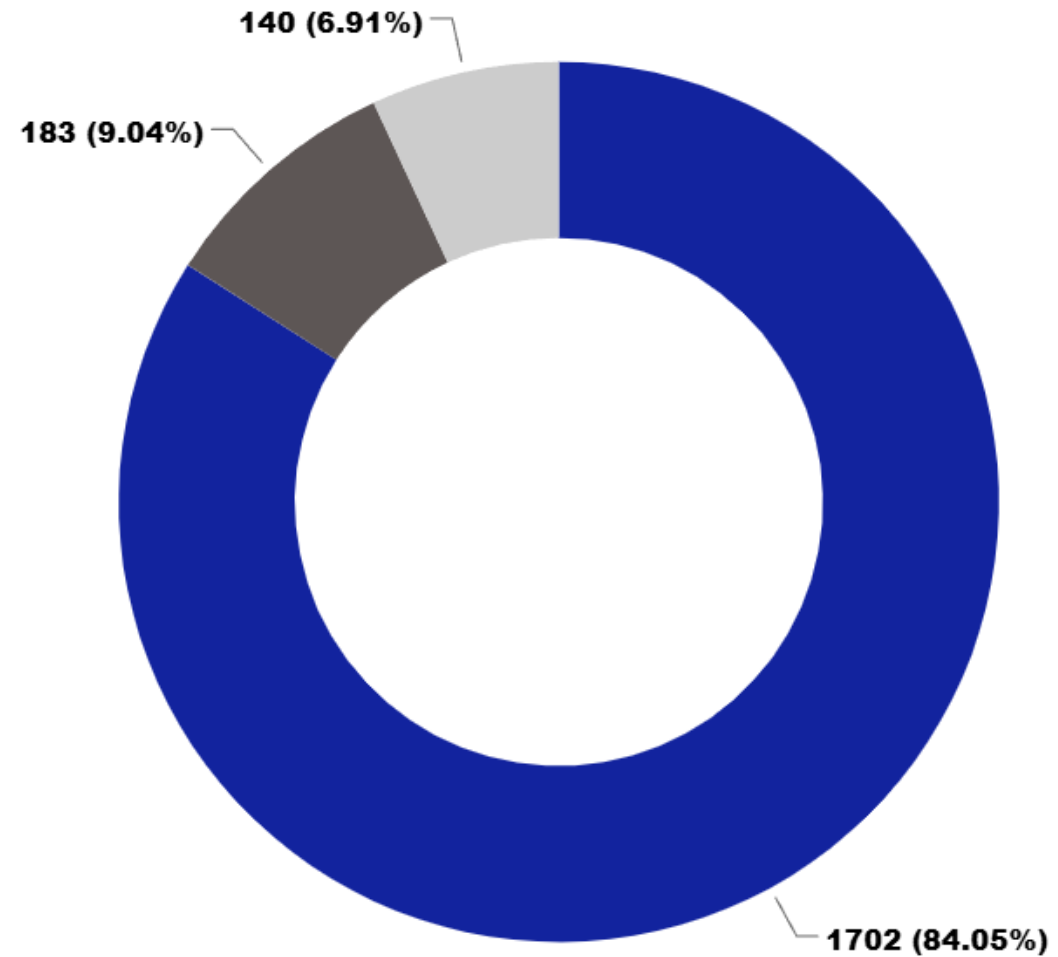
Includes only commercial aircraft movements reported by aerodrome operators via Aviation Statistics.



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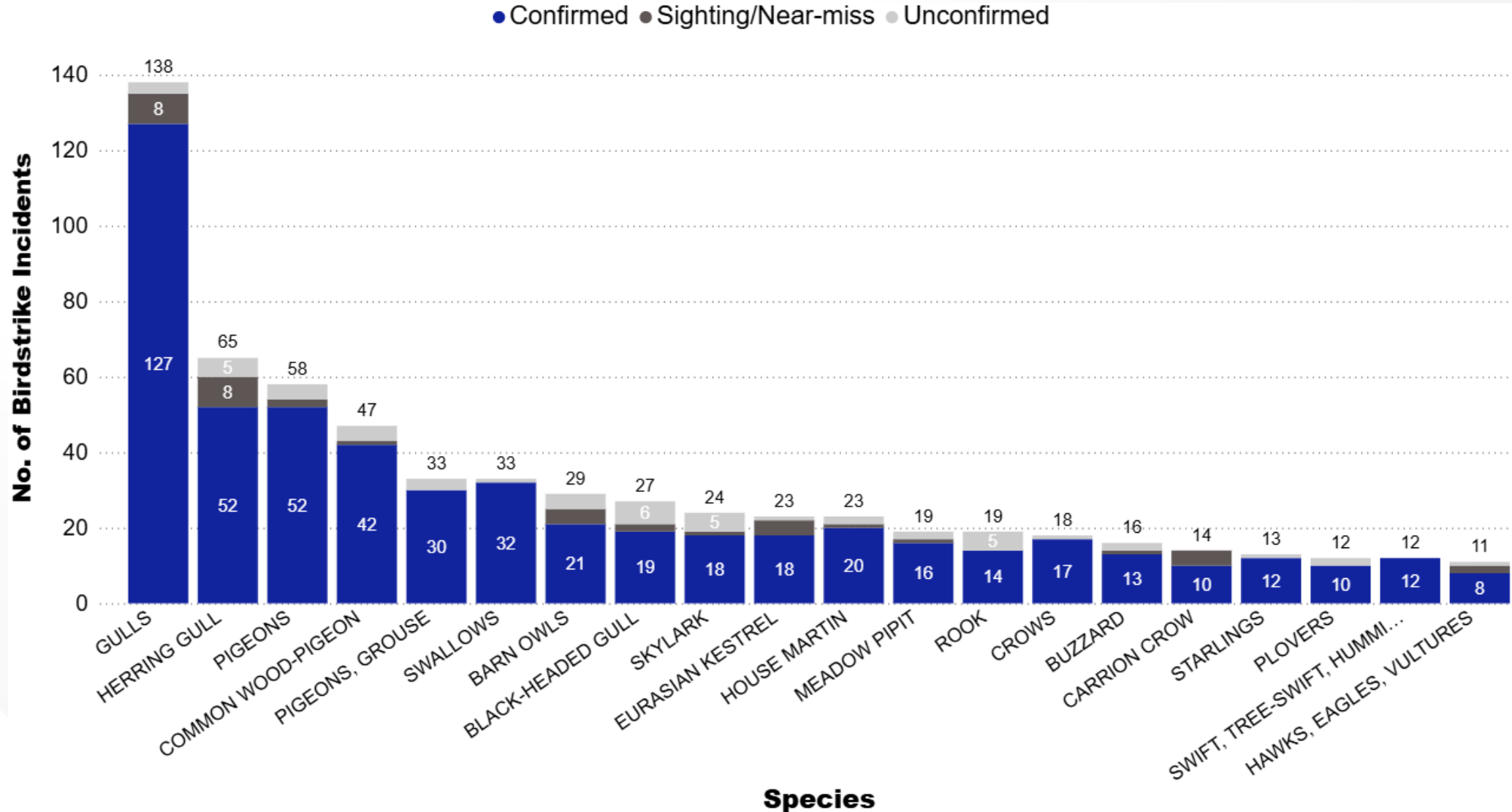
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Reported Birdstrikes

By Birds Species and Status (Top 20)

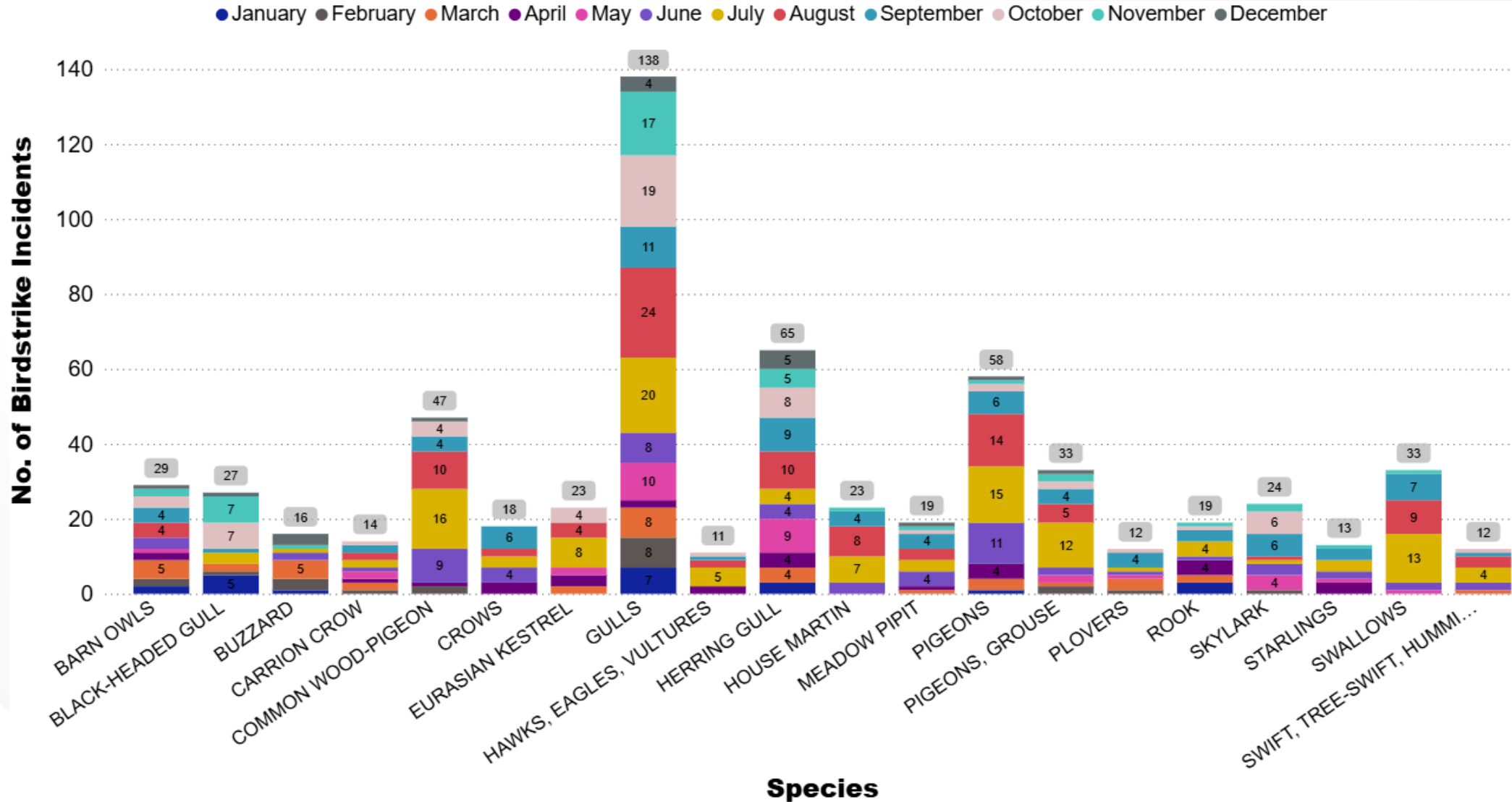
This visual displays the top 20 most frequent bird species reported, excluding the "Unknown" category. Top 20 filtering applies to this visual only due to parameters set



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By Birds Species and Month (Top 20)

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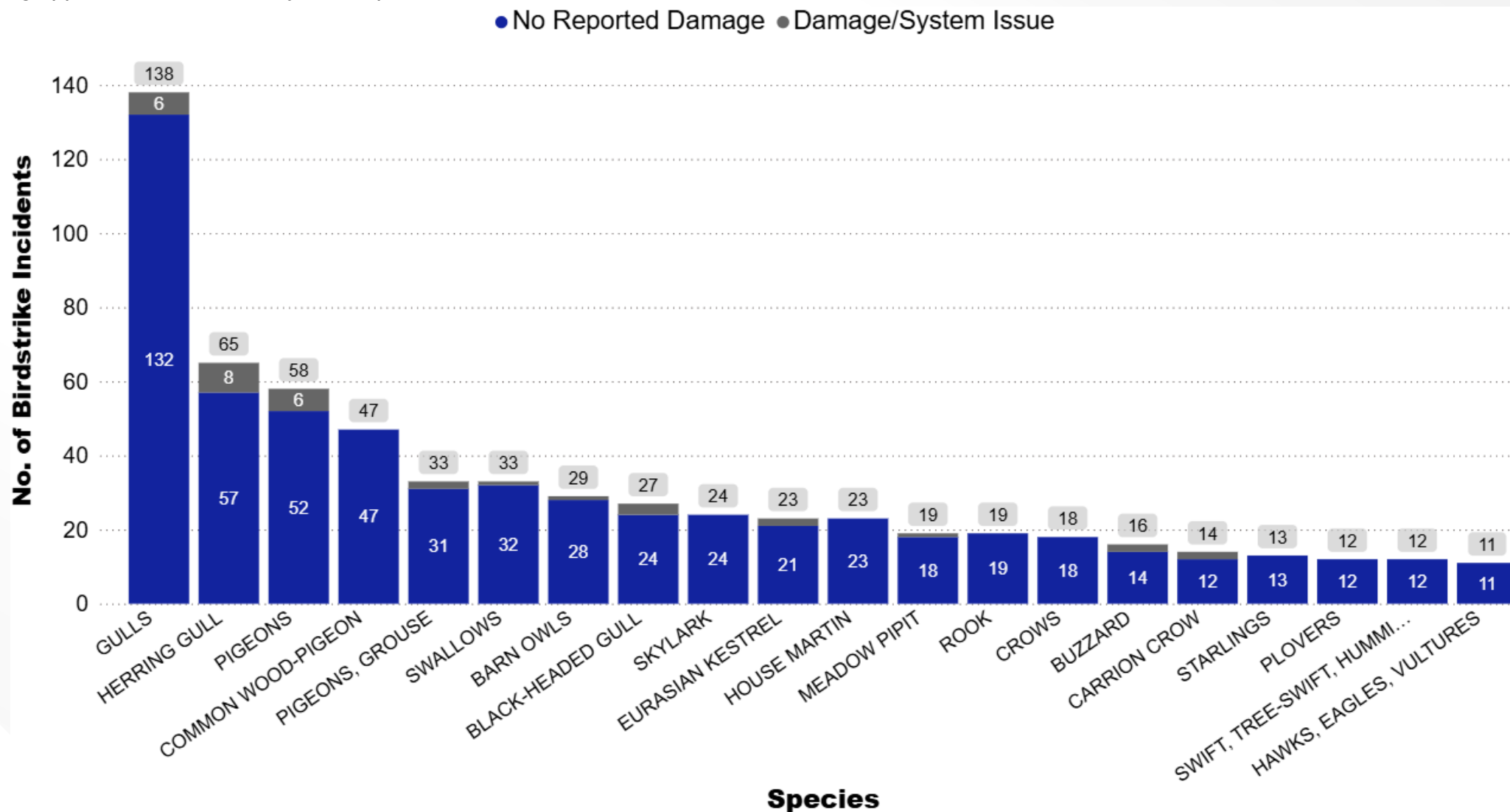


Reported Birdstrikes

By Birds Species and Reported Damage (Top 20)



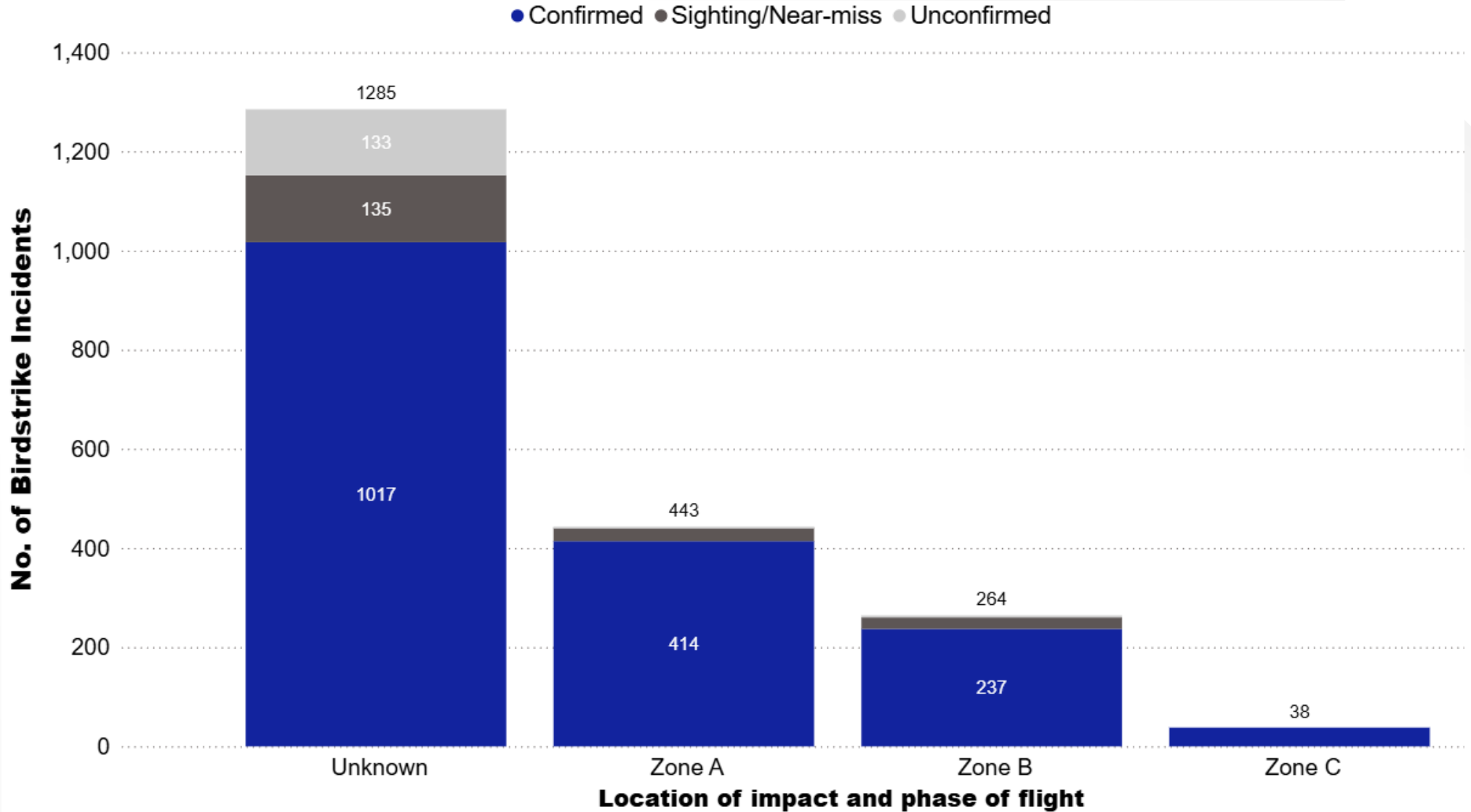
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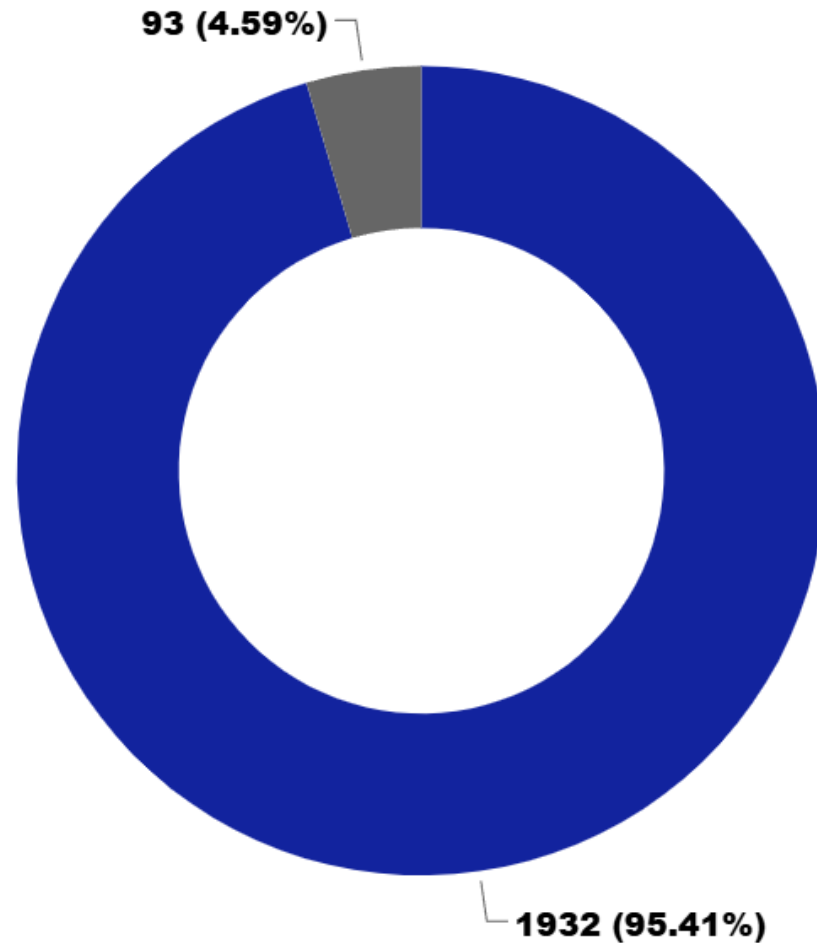
By Location of Occurrence and Phase of Flight

- Zone A:**
Under 200ft on Landing or Under 500ft on Take-Off.
- Zone B:**
Under 1500ft.
- Zone C:**
Above 1500ft.
- Unknown:**
No flight phase or altitude available.



Reported Birdstrikes By Reported Damage

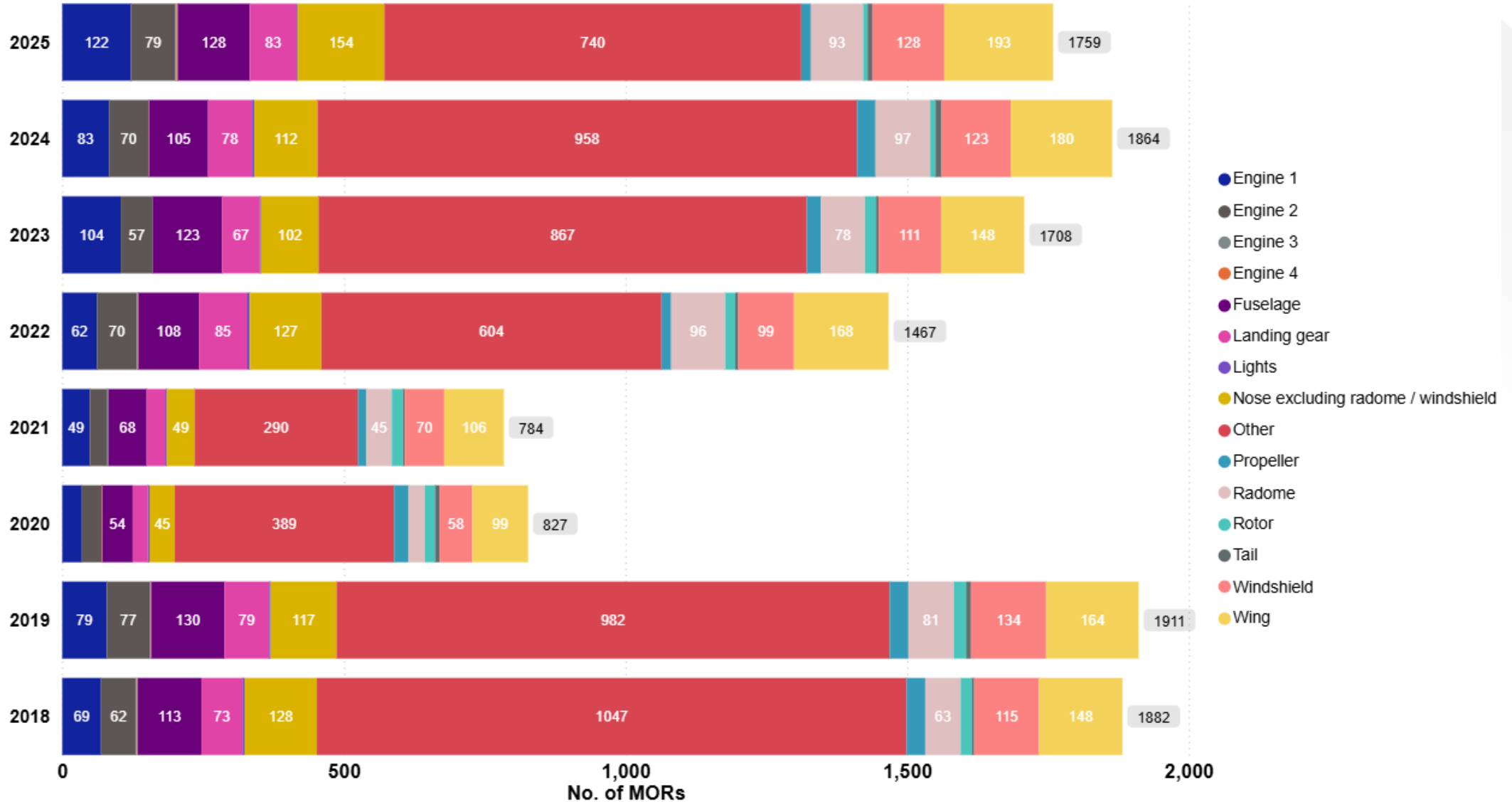
● No Reported Damage ● Damage/System Issue



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By Parts Struck (Excluding Unknown)

(May be higher than totals shown previously due to multiple parts struck per MOR)



Reported Birdstrikes

By Parts Damaged (Excluding Unknown)

