

## CONSERVATION CORNER

### Hummingbird Fun Facts

1. There are over 360 species, with 15 of these species residing within the United States.
2. The weight of an average hummingbird is less than a nickel.
3. The hummingbird bee weights less than a penny and is the smallest bird in the world.
4. Hummingbirds are solo migrators.
5. We are still discovering new species, the blue-throated hillstar was discovered in 2017.
6. The size of a hummingbird nest is about the size of a quarter.
7. Their feet are very weak, hummingbirds cannot walk or hop, only perch with their feet.
8. A hummingbird's tongue is very long and forked to get the nectar out of the flower, their tongue will go in and out of a flower 20 times per second.
9. They have no sense of smell.
10. At rest, average hummingbird takes 150 breaths per minute while humans only take 12-15 breaths per minute.



Learn more about hummingbirds at these links:

The Spruce: 25 Fun Facts About Hummingbirds: <https://bit.ly/3PozYUd>

American Bird Conservancy: Fascinating Facts about Hummingbirds  
<https://bit.ly/2YhyANe>