

DO WIND TURBINES KILL BIRDS IN CANADA?

Yes, but not in significant numbers.

In September 2013, Environment Canada published the results of an extensive study in avian mortality in Canada that identified cats as the dominant killer of birds. Both feral and domestic cats kill nearly *200 million birds* every year.

The next biggest killer identified doesn't come close: Houses and tall buildings kill nearly 25 million, and vehicles kill nearly 14 million.

Wind Turbines? In terms of the total kill per year, they are almost off the radar at 20 thousand.

Here is a quick look at the numbers:

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| CATS | 196,000,000 |
| BUILDINGS | 25,000,000 |
| POWER LINES | 25,000,000 |
| VEHICLES | 14,000,000 |
| GAME BIRDS | 5,000,000 |
| AGRI PESTICIDES | 2,700,000 |
| AGRI MOWING | 2,200,000 |
| COMMERCIAL FORESTRY - nests | 1,400,000 |
| birds | 900,000 |
| WIND TURBINES | 20,000 |

Read a précis of the Report in the Ottawa Citizen here:

<http://www.ottawacitizen.com/Cats+Canada+biggest+bird+killers+says+Environment+Canada+study/8981176/story.html>

Read the Environment Canada Report here:

<http://www.ec.gc.ca/scitech/default.asp?lang=En&n=6A2D63E5-1&xsl=privateArticles2,viewfull&po=89EEF2B2>