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Birds of Lake Beyşehir (Isparta-Konya)

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Abstract: The Lakes Region contains wetlands important for Turkey's biodiversity. In this study conducted from October 2000 to September 2002 at Lake Beyşehir, 181 bird species were observed. Sixty-one residents, 43 winter migrants, 51 summer migrants, and 26 transit migrants were observed. According to the IUCN, *Pelecanus crispus*, *Phalacrocorax pygmeus*, *Aythya nyroca*, *Haliaeetus albicilla* and *Falco naumanni* are threatened and the other 176 species observed are not. According to the statistical data, Cuculiformes, Strigiformes and Caprimulgiformes were less common, while Passeriformes was the most common order in the study in terms of bird species. Among the other lakes in the Lakes Region, Lake Beyşehir and Lake Burdur were found to be the most similar with regard to bird species.

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