

# Conservation action does prevent extinctions: a Neotropical perspective

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A study published last year revealed how effectively conservation action slows extinction rates, demonstrating that at least 28 bird and mammal species worldwide would have been lost since 1993 were it not for deliberate interventions. This article views the research through a Neotropical filter. Which birds in our region would have gone extinct without help from conservationists?

**1** Indigo Macaw *Anodorhynchus leari*, Estação Biológica de Canudos, Bahia, Brazil, March 2020 (Steve Huggins: [pbase.com/sjhuggins](https://pbase.com/sjhuggins)). From a 1993 baseline of 60–100 individuals, conservation effort has boosted this parrot's population to 1,700 individuals in 2018.