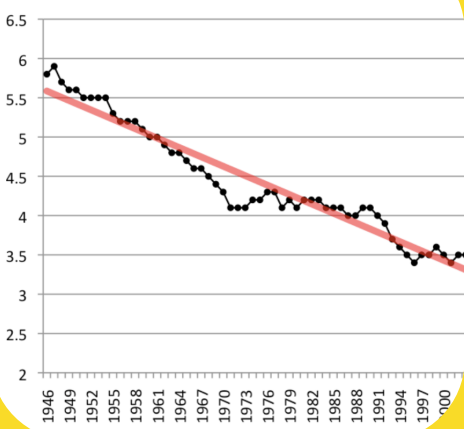


Bees and Bats

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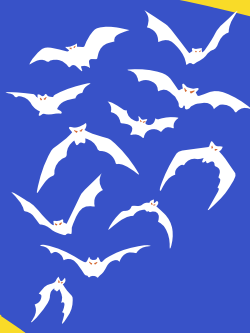
Millions of hives in the U.S.



From Union College

Many types of agriculture use pesticides to kill hungry insects, but these pesticides harm bees too. Pesticides harm bees' memory and learning. according to greenpeace.org, in one year a bee colony might lose over 15% of their population. In addition, according to apnews.org, beekeepers have lost almost 50% of their honeybee colonies last year in the US.

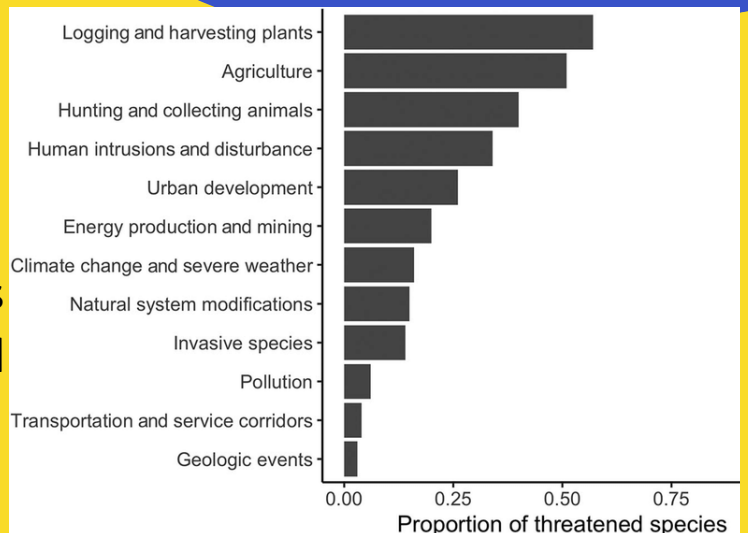
Bees and Bats are very important pollinators for many fruits that we eat, but they are dying more than ever before, and humans are to blame.



The Solution

Threats to bats like white-nose syndrome and deforestation are harming the bat population.

According to biologicaldiversity.org, about 6.7 million bats have died because of white-nose syndrome since 2006. In addition, usgs.gov says that, "White-nose syndrome has killed over 90% of northern long-eared, little brown and tri-colored bat populations."



From researchgate.net

How to Save the Bats

One way to help bats is to turn off unnecessary lights as these can distract bats. In addition, you should promote a natural environment for bats near your home. By leaving some dying trees you provide homes for many bat colonies.

How to save the Bees

One way to help the bee population is to plant a bee garden. Bee gardens have lots of plants that attract bees. These gardens give more homes for bees and more ways for bees to get the nectar they need.

