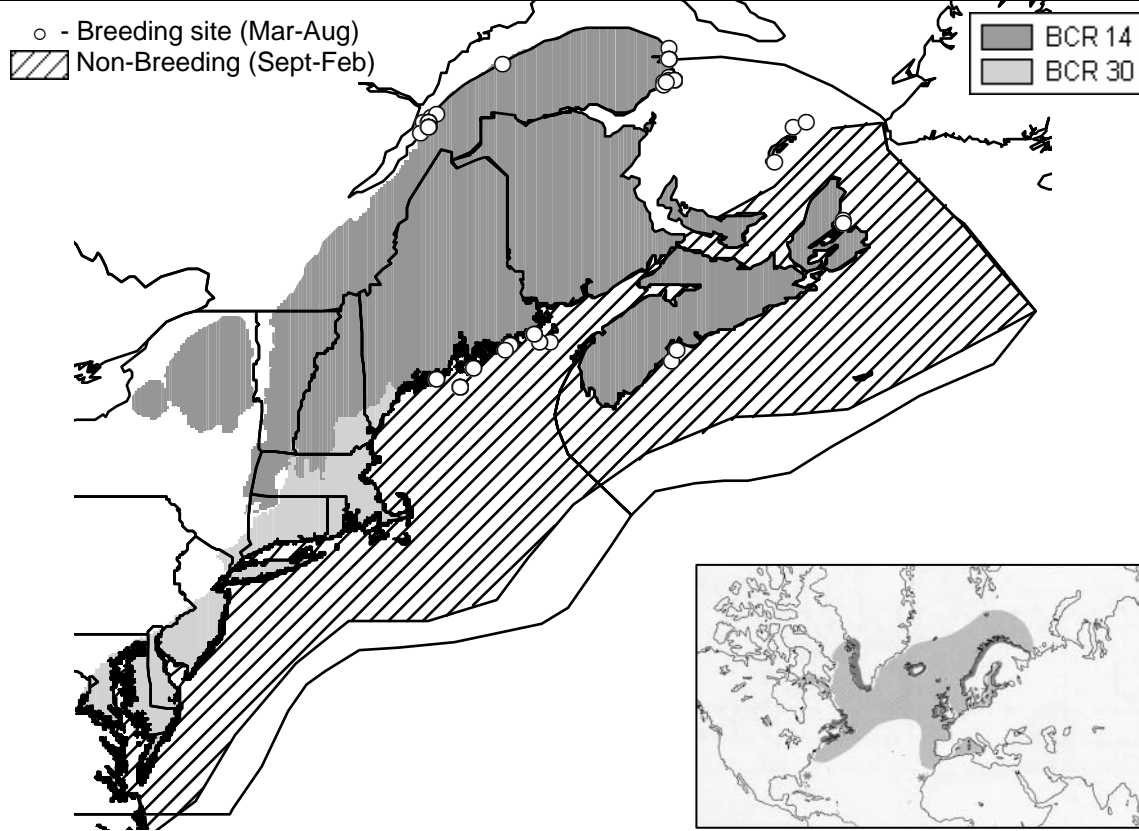


RAZORBILL (*Alca torda torda*)

Conservation Status: Abundance (b=breeding, nb=nonbreeding, t=total individuals), Population Importance (% reference population) and Conservation Rank							
Global	North America	BCR 14	BCR 30	Mid-Atlantic	S. New England	Gulf of Maine	Maritimes
1,500,000t	76,000b (8% global)	15,375b (20% NA)	0b (0% NA)	0b (nb: 15% MANEM)	0b (nb: 15% MANEM)	514b (3% MANEM) (nb: 25% MANEM)	14,861b (97% MANEM) (nb: 45% MANEM)
IUCN- Least Concern	NAWCP- Moderate Concern	Moderate Concern	Moderate Concern	NJ- SZN; DE- no info; MD-SZN; VA- SN State SGCN-NJ	NY-S?N; CT-no info; RI- SZN; MA-SN; VT-no info MANEM Focal Species State SGCN-NY	MA-SN; NH-SZN; ME- TS2B; NB- S1B, S3N NS- S1B, SZN State SGCN-ME	QC-S4; NB- S1B, S3N; PE- no info; NS- S1B, SZN MANEM Focal Species



Regional Occurrence

- Distribution: breeds in BCR 14; pelagic in region
- Habitats used: coastal cliffs, rocky shores and islands (breeding); mostly pelagic, occasionally along rocky seacoasts (non-breeding); poorly known foraging range (possibly up to 15 km); dives in coastal waters to depth of generally < 5m but up to 10-15m

NAWCP BD=4; NAWCP ND=3

Regional Abundance

- 1990s: US—514b (3 colonies); CAN—14,861b
- 1970s: US—50b (2 colonies)
- 928% increase in US population; increase in Canada

NAWCP PS=2; NAWCP PT=3

Regional Threats/Limiting Factors

- Intraspecific competition due to high concentrations in some areas
- Introduced predators
- Predation/interaction with gulls
- Vulnerable to oil pollution and chemical contamination due to position in food chain
- Entanglement in gill nets
- Climate change, rising sea temperatures

NAWCP TB=4; NAWCP TN=5

Conservation Needs: *Sustainability:* 97% hatching (annual) to nest departure; 73-75% egg-laying (annual) to nest departure success. *Conservation Actions:* Use of radio transmitters and its effect on razorbill behavior has been documented; responsive to restoration efforts. *Needs:* monitor, manage conflicts with gulls/skuas. *Population Goals:* restore (increase). *Habitat Goals:* Restore/protect breeding habitat in following priority complexes: ME-Penobscot Bay, Petit Manan Group; NB-Grand Manan Group; NS-Bird Is; QC-E Gaspé, W St Lawrence. Protect non-breeding habitat of offshore shelf waters of Northeast US Continental Shelf (including concentration areas off Montauk Point), Gulf of Maine and Scotian Shelf. Conservation Projects: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 15, 16, 28, 29, 39, 74, 75, 76, 83, 84, 85.