

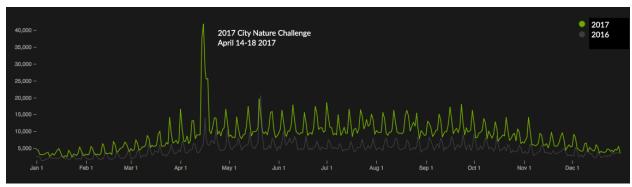
City Nature Challenge 2017 New York City Results Summary



The five day City Nature Challenge hosted by Macaulay Honors College in New York City was a huge success and a lot of fun. The citizen scientists of New York City made some great urban wildlife observations and set new records for crowdsourced data gathering.

Total observations made: 3862
Total species found: 689
Total people involved: 161

- Compared to the same 5 days in 2016, there was a **10x increase** in the number of people using iNaturalist in NYC and a **60x increase** in the total number of observations (see below).
- **163 species** found during the challenge had not been documented before in on iNaturalist
- **1,579** "Research Grade" observations were made. These are what iNaturalist calls observations where the community agrees with the identification. This data was fed into global biodiversity databases for scientists to use.
- Nationally, 4333 people participated in 16 cities
- Only one species was found in all 16 cities the pigeon (Columba livia)



2016 and 2017 iNaturalist national observations

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