Vancouver Canada Goose

Description

- Color is dark and similar to dusky.
- Culmen length 50 to 60 mm
- The Vancouver is of comparable size to the western.

Distribution

Vancouver Canada geese are found primarily along the coast of British Columbia and Southeast Alaska (Figure 80). A few birds range into Oregon and Washington.

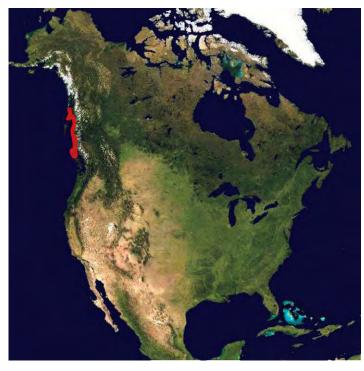


Figure 80: Range of Vancouver Canada geese.

Behavior and Management

Limited information is known about the behavior, population, and geographic distribution of the Vancouver Canada goose. These birds breed and nest in coastal forested areas. It is thought that they do not migrate long distances. They are very secretive, and because of the inaccessibility of their range harvest is thought to be low.

The current population level is unknown and it is not known if they are present in the Willamette Valley or along the lower Columbia River in any appreciable numbers. Their physical similarity to dusky Canada geese ensures that the harvest of Vancouver Canada geese will continue to be minimal in the Permit Zone. However, every year hunters in the Permit Zone harvest geese that are classified as Vancouver Canada geese.