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ARE THE TERMS OF GEESE SPRING ARRIVAL IN KYIV FOR 100 YEARS CHANGED?

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There are 9 species of geese in Ukraine. Among them Canad goose, Barnacle goose, *Brant* goose, *Snow* goose were observed very rarely with unknown origin. *Lesser white-fronted* goose is a rare migratory and wintering bird. *Red-breasted* goose is a more common wintering and migratory species but only along the Black and Azov Seas coast of the country. Bean goose, Greater white-fronted goose, *Greylag* goose are common wide-spread migratory and wintering birds, which are also hunted. *Greylag* goose is known to breed in some areas of Ukraine. The global changes of climate are well known. The question is whether it influences goose migration We collected 47 observations of *Greylag* geese during spring migration from different literature sources and ours at Kyiv city between 1910-2023. Statistical analysis of the migration phenology shows that there is a general trend that the spring migration starts earlier in the last decades.