

Summering

During the months of April and May some birds continued to be seen, mostly juveniles, in different places in Spain. Only a few individuals stayed all summer:

-07/06/25: 3 at Gallocanta lagoon (Z/TE) Antonio Torrijo. These stayed here all summer; 4 on 21/08/24, Francisco J. Sampietro, Aitor Mora; 2 on 30/08/25, Antonio Torrijo; 2 on 02/09/25, Antonio Torrijo, Felipe Rosado.

-23/06/25: 1 at Yelbes (BA), where it spent the summer, Carlota Prieto.

-19/07/25: 1 at Riolobos weir (SA), Tino Fernández; also on 19, 21, 22, 26 & 27 July, Miguel Rouco, Antonio Ceballos, Ángel González, Carlos Villaverde and on 23/08/25, Carmelo de Dios



Image nº: Crane at Riolobos weir (SA) on 26/07/25. Photo: Ángel Mendoza.

-19/07/25: 1 at Montmesa (HU) Juan L. Muñoz, Esther Yera, also on 25, 29 & 30 July, 12, 17, 20, 29 & 30 August, José M^a Canudo, Jorge Lardiés, Juan C. Albero, León B., Francisco Quesada, and on 01 September.



Image nº: Crane at Montmesa (HU) on 30/07/25. Photo: Juan C. Alberó

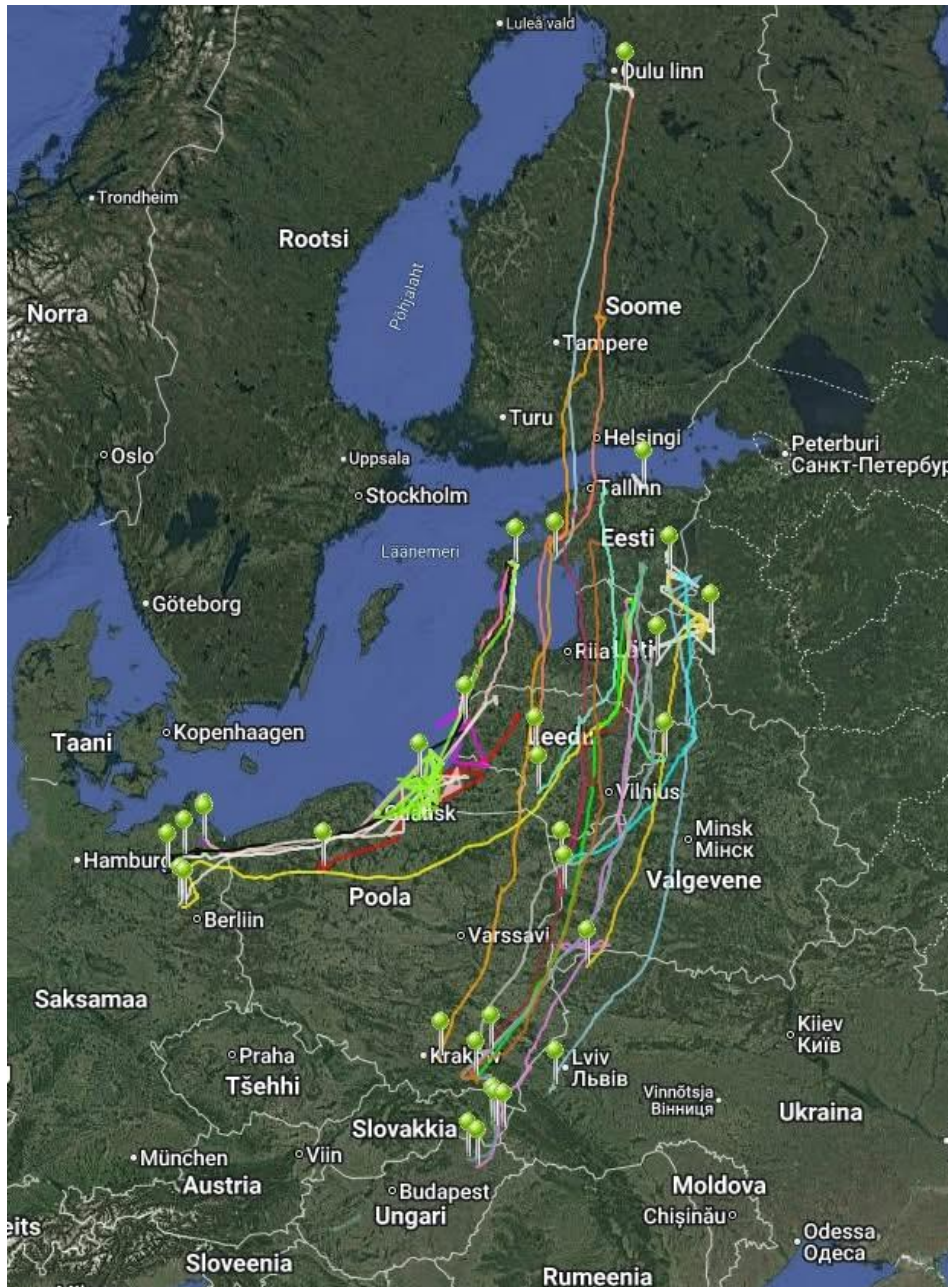
- 02/08/25: 2 at Alcañiz salt flats (TE) Felipe Rosado, Esther Yera, Juan L. Muñoz.
- 14/08/25: 2 at Campos del Paraíso reservoir (CU) Nacho García.



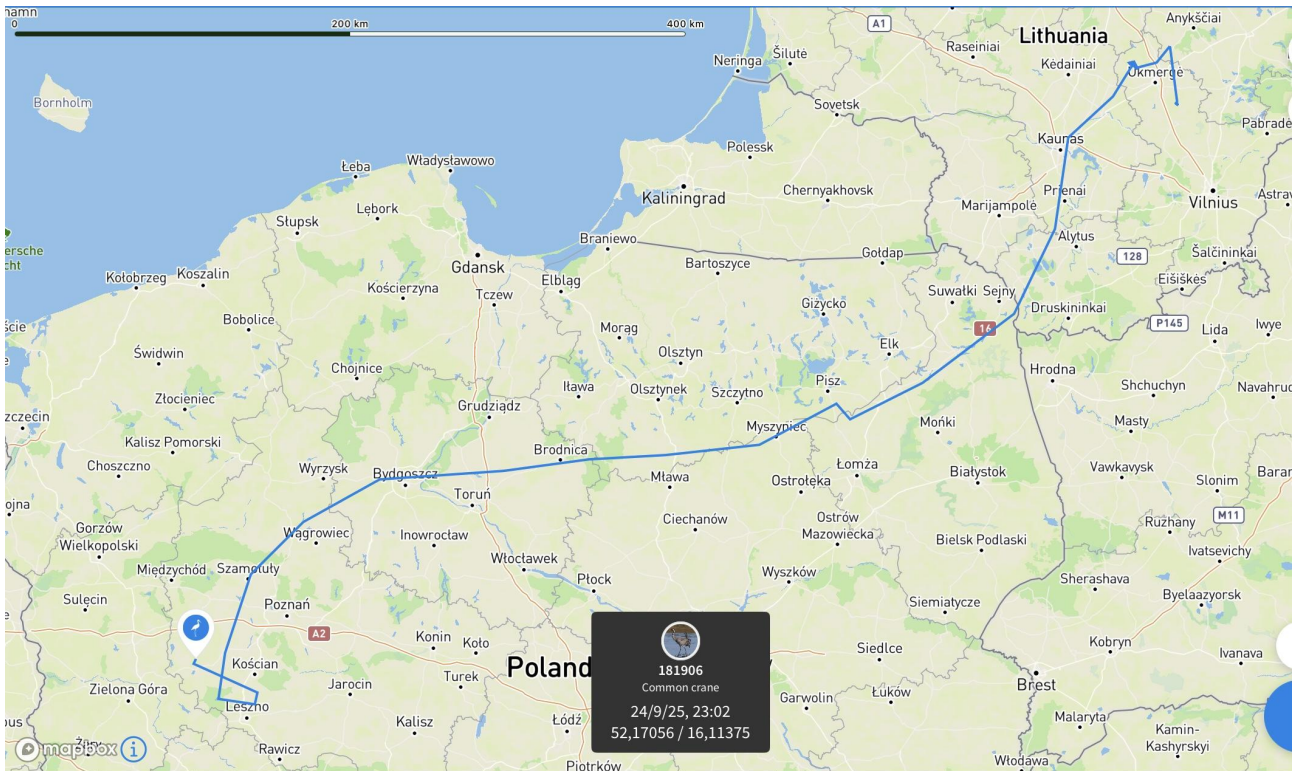
Image nº: Cranes at Campos del Paraíso reservoir (CU). Photo: Ángel Sanz

- 17/08/25: 1 at Lechago reservoir (TE) Pilar Edo.
- 08/09/25: 1 flying at night over Segovia at 01:23h, Ángel Sanz.
- 12/09/25: heard at Santa Teresa reservoir (SA) José A. Román.

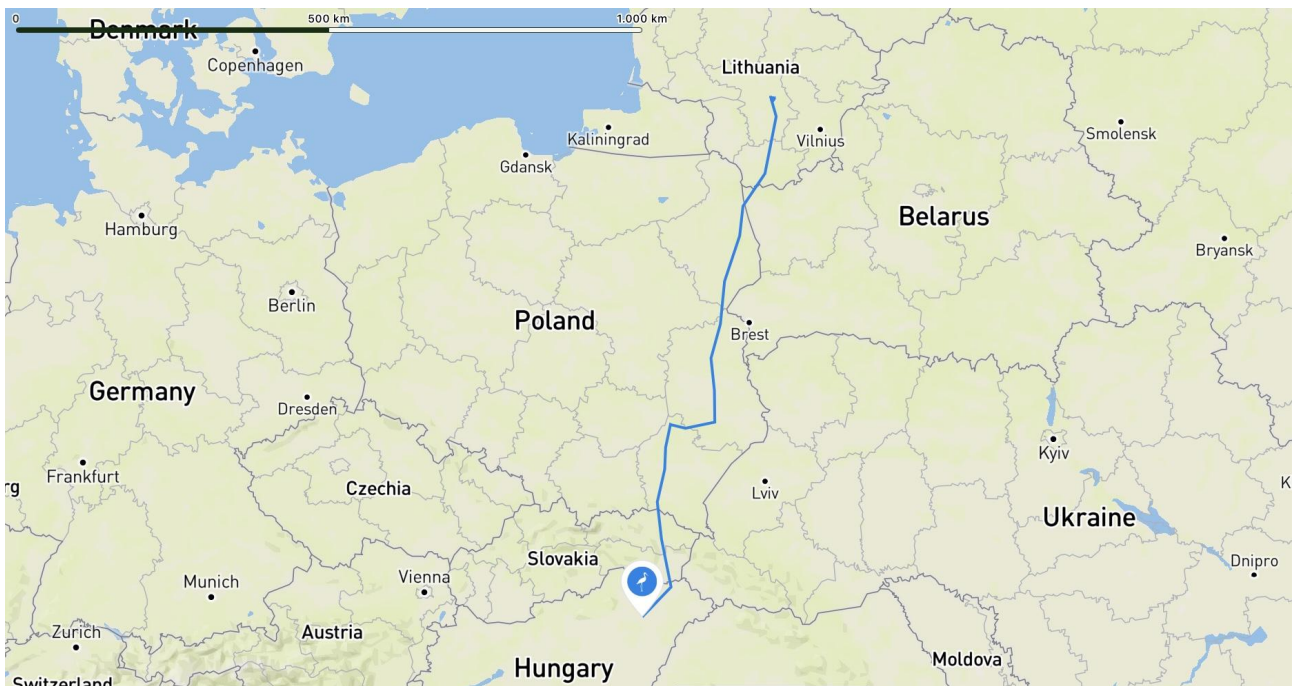
Cranes stayed in their breeding areas until the end of summer, unlike the previous season, when many went to Hungary (Hortobagy National Park) in August. This time there was a massive exodus between the 23rd and 24th of September, as indicated by the GPS transmitters on Finnish, Estonian and Lithuanian cranes. In Germany too, movements to the southwest (France) were recorded over Marburg.



Map n°: Migration by Finnish and Estonian cranes on 23 & 24 September. Source: Birdmap.



Map n°: The first movements by one of the Lithuanian cranes on 23 & 24 September. Source: Animal Tracker.



Map n°: Route taken by another of the Lithuanian cranes, following the Hungarian route on 23 & 24 September. Source: Animal Tracker.

POST-BREEDING MIGRATION 2025

To designate the different provinces and countries we use the following abbreviations:

LU: Lugo, C: Coruña, Ourense: OU, PO: Pontevedra, AS: Asturias, CT: Cantabria NA: Navarra, LR: La Rioja, G: Gipuzkoa, AR: Araba, BI: Bizkaia; GI: Girona, B: Barcelona, LL: Lleida, T: Tarragona, Z: Zaragoza, HU: Huesca, TE: Teruel, V: Valencia, CS: Castellón, A: Alicante, MU: Murcia; IB: Balearic Isles, BU: Burgos, P: Palencia, VA: Valladolid, LE: León; ZA: Zamora, SA: Salamanca, AV: Ávila, SO: Soria; SG: Segovia, M: Madrid; CU: Cuenca, AB: Albacete, GU: Guadalajara, TO: Toledo, CR: Ciudad Real; CC: Cáceres, BA: Badajoz, CO: Córdoba, SE: Sevilla, H: Huelva, CA: Cádiz, MA: Málaga, AL: Almería; GR: Granada; J: Jaén; IC: Canary Isles.

Countries: Portugal (PT) France (FR) Italy (IT) Germany (GE) Hungary (HU) Israel (IS) Sweden (SE) Poland (PL), United Kingdom (UK).

First arrivals

-20/09/25: 1 over Vallirana (B) Sonia Serrano.

-25/09/25: 12 over La Alfranca (Z) Marcos Ascaso.

-27/09/25: 3 near Covachillas reservoir, Malpartida de Plasencia (CC). Ana Rodríguez.

-29/09/25: 7 arrive at Riobobos weir (SA) Tino Fernández, Miguel Rouco.

-30/09/25: 3 over Grande lagoon, Villafranca (TO) M. Carmen Comendador; 4 over Pitillas lagoon (NA) Gus Gahete.

-01/10/25: 1 roosted in Tiradero pond, Santiago de Campo (CC), Fran Rojo; 7 at Cambrillos del Guadarrama gravel pits (TO) José A. Calvo; 2 at Los Canchales reservoir (BA) Colin Seymour; 1 at Villar de Rena (BA) John L. Muddeman.



Image nº: Crane roosting in Tiradero pond (CC). Photo: Fran Rojo.

45 over Lizarreta Pass (FR) Flora Taverner et al.

-02/10/25: 5 between El Batán and Puebla de Argeme (CC) Fran Espinosa; 9 over Amorosa lagoon (SO) Juan L. Hernández; 17 at Riobobos weir (SA) Miguel Rodríguez; 1 over Almazán (SO) Fernando Chaguaceda; 4 at La Loteta reservoir (Z) Luis Gracia; 40 in Villafáfila Nature Reserve (ZA) Gary Losada; 2 over Saucedilla (CC) John L. Muddeman; 9 at Valdecañas reservoir (CC) Esteban Y.; 5 at Gabriel y Galán reservoir (CC) Nacho Fenoll; 28 to the north of Celadas (TE) Julia Gonzalez.

5 over Lindus (FR) Ander Gonxal; 15 over Organbidexka Pass (FR), Luca Felique et al.

-03/10/25: 3 over Vallecas (M) M^a Cruz Leo; 29 at Gallocanta lagoon (TE) Antonio Torrijo; 30 over Toledo, Ángel Velasco; 2 at El Hoyo lagoon, El Oso (AV) Juan R. Cuervo, 10 at Cambrillos del Guadarrama gravel pits (TO) Jannick Forquignon; 27 at Riobobos weir (SA) Miguel MG; 70 at Arguedas (NA) Juan Carlos.

2 over Lindus (FR) Sandra Pineda, Ander Gutiérrez; 8 over Organbidexka (FR) Lucano Fetique et al.

-04/10/25: 1 over Jaraiz de la Vera (CC) Ángel L. Méndez; 7 at Cambrillos del Guadarrama gravel pits (TO) Javier Nicolau; 4 over Aranjuez (M) Eugenio Castillejos, Blas Molina; 2 at Oliva de Plasencia (CC) Vicente Torres; 1 at Sierra Brava reservoir (CC) Bart Romijn; 2 at Dos Reinos lagoon (NA) A. Galacho.

-05/10/25: 2 at Manjavacas lagoon (CU) Mario Navas; 7 roost at Soto del Lugar (M) Fernando Alonso.

