

# *More Than Half of World's Wild Animals Disappear Due to Human Impact*

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London, February 28 (RHC)-- More than half the world's population of wild animals has disappeared in the past four decades. Scientists at the World Wildlife Fund and Zoological Society of London say human-caused pollution, over-hunting, devastation of habitats and climate change have combined to cut wildlife populations by 52 percent since 1970.

In related news, a new study has confirmed the link between human-driven climate change and record heat in Australia. Researchers found the heat wave which made last year the hottest on record in Australia would have been "virtually impossible" without climate change.

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