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One state in the United States does not have any hummingbirds.

Which one is it?



Talamanca Hummingbird, Costa Rica

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Hawaii has no hummingbirds.

Hummingbirds are only found in the New World and apparently none have taken the journey halfway across the Pacific Ocean looking for an archipelago over 2,000 miles from the North America coast. Interestingly, no woodpeckers have made the journey either.

Hummingbirds are banned in Hawaii. "Hummingbirds are pollinators of pineapple. If pineapple gets pollinated, it sets seed. The very hard seeds get in the way of people eating pineapple, so the plantation owners led to hummingbirds being banned and quarantined."



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