Number of Extinct Plant Species by Period (1900-2020)

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The first half of the 20th Century was the period with the highest number of extinctions. Specifically between 1940 and 1959, 74 plant species ceased to exist in the wild.

In the 21th Century the number of extinct species started to increase again. For the next decades is urgent the promotion of public policies with the goal of reversing this trend.

From 1940 to 1999 there was a substantial drop in the number of species extincted.

The lowest number of the time series, 44, was registered in the last two decades of the 20th Century.

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1900-1919 1920-1939 1940-1959 1960-1979 1980-1999 2000-2020