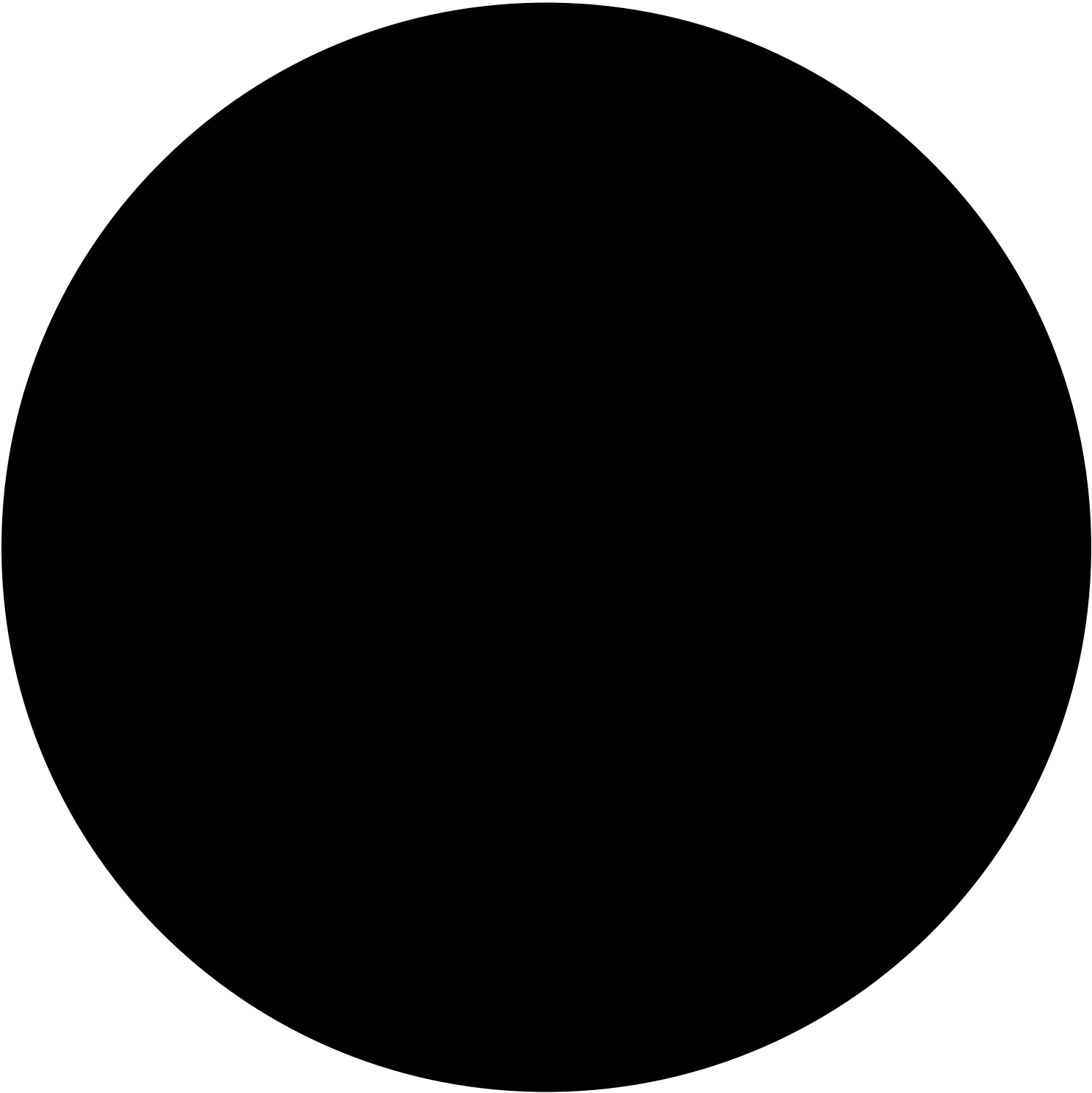


THE SNOWS OF THE PYRENEES, AT RISK

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The central Pyrenees will lose 50% of its snow in 2050, and up to 80% before the end of the century, according to the projections of the report "Climate Change in the Pyrenees" coordinated by the Pyrenean Observatory for Climate Change, which includes [*La Vanguardia*](#). Since 1959, temperatures in the mountains have risen 30% more than the global average. This warming phenomenon is attributed, in large part, to CO2 emissions caused by man.

From 1984 to this part, more than half of the glaciers have

already disappeared and only 19 remain, apart from snowfields without glacial dynamics. The annual decrease in rainfall in the area is also estimated at 2.5%. The report thus reasons that the Pyrenees is a region that is especially vulnerable to climate change, with adverse effects on wildlife and forests. Pests increasingly affect the pine due to the absence of cold, and although the forest advances more and more at higher altitudes, the absence of water in the soil harms its health.

The loss of productivity of the soils, and the loss of competitiveness of the ski resorts, can also aggravate the problem of depopulation of the region's citizens.

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