

Migrating birds face many challenges, not the least of which is the weather. Warm temperatures, clear skies and calm winds (or better yet, tail winds) are perfect conditions that enable birds to cover the most distance with the least expenditure of energy. Unsettled weather conditions with strong winds and precipitation force them to land, delaying migration until better conditions return. It should be no surprise then that while birds prefer mild weather during migration periods, bird watchers wish for rapidly moving cold fronts and rain (but only one day a week!).

In the week prior to this fall's bird count, held September 10, the weather definitely favoured the birds. A stable weather system and unseasonably high temperatures meant many migrants passed overhead while we slept (most birds migrate at night).

The result was that only 37,992 birds were counted, about 9,000 less than the long-term average and the third lowest since 1995, when the fall count was moved from late August to mid-September. Despite the low numbers, 148 species were identified, just above the long-term average of 145 species. Two species were new to the fall count. Michael Williams' team identified 2 Northern Shrikes, and Mike Gollop reported a Sedge Wren. This brings the total number of species seen since 1995 to 224.

Duck and geese numbers were average, despite low numbers of Greater White-fronted Goose (199) and Ross's Goose (80). The most numerous species seen was the Snow Goose (5,903). Other waterfowl, such as Pied-billed, Horned, and Red-necked Grebes were present at above average numbers. A record 64 Horned Grebes were reported, eclipsing the previous record of 54 reported on last year's count.

Grid roads were in better condition than they were last year, providing more access to lakes and sloughs, yet shorebird numbers were down by 40%. One exception was the sighting of 16 Marbled Godwits by Stan Shadick's team, surpassing the previous record of 9 reported in 2006. That team also identified one Hudsonian Godwit, a rarer species that has only been recorded on 4 previous counts since 1995.

The numbers of jays, magpies and crows were down considerably from long-term averages, while raven numbers were up slightly. These members of the *Corvidae* family are known to be susceptible to West Nile virus, which may account, at least in part, for the declining numbers.

Robins were present in average numbers, but their cousins, the spotted thrushes, were noticeable by their absence. The only spotted thrushes reported were two Swainson's Thrushes. Gray Catbirds and Brown Thrashers were reported in record numbers. Forty-seven catbirds were identified, exceeding the previous record of 41 set in 2008, and the 21 thrashers counted beat the record of 18, also set in 2008. Both are members of the *Mimidae* family, known for their complex songs and ability to mimic the calls and songs of other birds.

Sixteen species of warblers were identified, including Cape May and Connecticut Warblers, both considered rare species in our area. In total only 351 warblers were counted, the lowest number reported since 1995. Yellow-rumped Warblers accounted for almost 60% of the sightings.

Native sparrows were also reported in lower than average numbers. Swamp Sparrow, Harris's Sparrow and Dark-eyed Junco were each represented by only one individual.

Common Grackles (297) were present at almost twice the long-term average, while the number of Red-winged Blackbirds (163) was just above average. All other blackbird species numbers were significantly lower than the long-term averages.

Craig Salisbury

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67	69		47	57	86	60	28	39	36	71	25	15	37	36	65	42	28	Total Species	148	168	131	172	158	147	134	146	140	123	136	141	137	141	146	150	143
12.2	8.4		6.1	6.5	9.4	12.2	4.5	5.0	18.0	5.0	4.7	9.0	4.0	10.0	8.0	9.0		Party Hours	137	137	137	149	150	140	97	120	162	127	138	151	138	139	134	123	106
2	2		1	3	2	3	2	1	2	3	2	3	3	4	2	3	1	Participants	39	35	35	48	43	46	40	49	48	44	44	53	46	51	40	43	27
																		• Goose sp. •		3							380		229						
27			25		18	24				47			3	55				Greater White-fronted Goose	199	195	479	876	310	1651	130	117	2635	747	716	2289	457	126	6815	435	1642
23	46		137		5050	10		41		37	130		394		35			Snow Goose	5903	1078	4963	2992	16812	6253	192	1357	26009	10988	4368	3752	3261	647	13400	338	1710
					45	35												Ross's Goose	80		1674	30	153	2	50	177	1726	2045	826	2715	252	282	5		208
																		Cackling Goose		58	24	60	20												
196	42		11	42	1400	110	287	820	40	25	58		24	21	19	33	50	Canada Goose	3178	1825	3669	4208	2532	2310	2011	3855	5590	4330	2377	6370	4789	1309	3858	2889	3743
											2							Tundra Swan	2	1	3	7	6	3		2	22	95	5	1	1		33	5	27
74					3000	1708	13											• Duck sp. •	4795	3727	2745	2	1080	2000	131	3004	750	460	2092	3211	4953	2895	2497	1070	500
																		Wood Duck				3			1						2	1	3		
43				80	51	17			4	2					1	4		Gadwall	202	667	560	513	793	157	1718	299	53	194	64	423	847	572	739	219	201
13	45			6	57	7		1		16						4		American Wigeon	149	1115	123	189	352	103	158	168	60	219	91	141	316	318	177	396	222
																		American Black Duck					1						1	1					
34	529			21	160	43		93	25	103			28	2	11	5	5	Mallard	1059	951	3608	1814	1300	637	1622	1407	1079	1409	667	1167	1726	3525	1830	1523	1429
57	111			80	36	21				28			99		7	25	1	Blue-winged Teal	465	719	731	1320	1084	582	643	1435	71	91	103	160	312	227	149	145	137
																		Cinnamon Teal								1			1						
29	230			39	11	68				9					9	8		Northern Shoveler	403	1242	1978	599	765	142	260	324	76	70	260	142	189	179	212	198	112
1	11			7	21	8										2		Northern Pintail	50	74	237	89	51	59	34	39	25	48	51	114	114	83	36	42	41
					2	6				1						21		Green-winged Teal	30	29	93	63	93	84	35	55	27	26	4	96	110	212	45	54	77
2	16			13	13	7			6	2						2		Canvasback	61	66	6	26	36	86	31	6	50	20	9	36	101	1420	74	145	108
5	12				26	16				8						3		Redhead	70	268	8	44	57	64	50	23	50	18	2	45	562	296	113	140	171
27	16				1	11												Ring-necked Duck	55	207	35	3	12	7	7	27	1	2		16	73	10	15	34	29
9	13			7	9	71				82			25			1	8	Lesser Scaup	225	137	50	224	100	199	179	56	46	94	50	115	182	525	541	133	238
																		White-winged Scoter													1	2			
1	25			2	25	2				1						1		Bufflehead	57	74	134	84	136	494	280	8	106	135	46	70	117	182	274	95	69
	12																	Common Goldeneye	12	19	18	3	5	3			1	5	2	3		13		2	2
					30			1										Hooded Merganser	31	19	4	13	22	8	50	26	21	20			12	8			
																		Common Merganser		4	51	4	3	1		41	8	6	5		1	1	28		1
																		Red-breasted Merganser							1				1			1			
8	40			21	28	255			45	12						5	2	Ruddy Duck	416	460	308	2755	1421	454	112	34	145	23	21	151	417	188	128	213	157
																	6	Gray Partridge	6	14			28	55	6	39	79	23	39	28	8		1	20	5
																		Ruffed Grouse		1	3		2				1		1	2	3	2	4	1	4
1																		Sharp-tailed Grouse	1		4		33	12		10	5	2	2		18	1	35		1
																		Common Loon				1			1			1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1
																		Yellow-billed Loon								1									
																	6	• Grebe sp. •	6																
5	16			9	9	5			26	5					1	9		Pied-billed Grebe	85	125	46	129	93	50	60	36	46	5	7	31	49	64	16	31	17
	42			9	1				3	5						4		Horned Grebe	64	54	18	11	38	30	40	10	5	2	6	14	34	9	15	32	17
				5		7										4		Red-necked Grebe	16	3	15	9	2	15	32	8	11	1	1	4	2	3	19	9	8
14				7	6	13										2		Eared Grebe	42	140	69	123	81	30	22	15	10	13	23	35	30	5	22	36	53
																		Western Grebe		8	16	19	26	21	12	15	36	17	19	10	18	38	177	64	2

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																		Clark's Grebe					1													
					7	84			5									American White Pelican	96	102	59	55	52	173	23	107	17	39	140	33	38	86	24	16	20	
9	6			43	2	32	10	33	1	4			4	2	4	5		Double-crested Cormorant	155	439	330	189	262	80	320	370	284	481	135	340	270	278	142	137	163	
																		American Bittern						2					1				1			
1	1				1					1			1					Great Blue Heron	5	11	5	15	17	11	9	5	8	13	6	12	6	4	4	6	11	
				2														Black-crowned Night-Heron	2	3	1		1	1	2											1
																		Turkey Vulture		5	4	5	2	5				2								
										1								Osprey	2			2	2			4	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	2		
	1																	Bald Eagle	1	13	4	4	1	1	2	8	2	7	1		1	3	2	1	1	
5	12			2	6	10				4								Northern Harrier	39	41	26	51	43	28	22	22	42	41	20	28	68	14	58	42	26	
																		• Accipiter sp. •		2		1														
			1		1				1	1			1					Sharp-shinned Hawk	6	16	2	17	10	9	2	2	13	4	3	8	14	6	10	13	5	
					1										1	1		Cooper's Hawk	3	7	7	13	4	3	2	5	7	4		3	3	3	9	4	3	
																		Northern Goshawk											1	1		1	2			
										3								• Buteo sp. •	4	1	7	3		1					3			3	7	3		
	1														1			Broad-winged Hawk	2	212	3		1			1										
23	14			5	12	9	1			5			2		2	2		Swainson's Hawk	75	81	79	93	66	71	33	64	24	20	37	52	34	18	34	37	15	
14	15		2	4	20	20			1	11					2			Red-tailed Hawk	89	130	76	120	87	71	28	44	87	43	58	55	59	33	72	122	42	
																		Ferruginous Hawk		1		1	2													
																		Rough-legged Hawk			1	1			2		1				3			3	1	
																		Golden Eagle				1							2		1					
2	2		3		3	4												American Kestrel	14	29	14	51	16	10	20	38	20	22	14	26	22	16	30	13	14	
1					1	3				2	1	1	2					Merlin	11	32	4	34	15	13	11	19	29	13	13	14	29	15	17	13	11	
																		• Large Falcon sp. •														1				
	1																	Peregrine Falcon	1	4	4	1					1	3	1	2		2	3	1		
																		Prairie Falcon			1	2														
	2		1	2														Sora	5	1	1	9		7	1	12		1	4	6	2	1	1	2	1	
229	1107		5	655	580	1588			70	137					8	85	2	American Coot	4466	4625	1594	12914	13673	19171	8295	1309	2286	217	1457	1320	7624	1102	3567	7281	3200	
22	51			5	118	61	1											Sandhill Crane	258	688	1474	1454	998	1233	627	1014	7823	2943	1502	1290	2037	2695	2358	1078	2488	
																		Whooping Crane				1														1
																		• Large Shorebird sp. •																		
																		Black-bellied Plover		2	3	1			8	4		1		5	18	4	4	21	14	
																		American Golden Plover							2							15				
																		Semipalmated Plover		25	12	2	75						2							
																		Piping Plover																	1	
13	12		1	13	14	14			6	6			3		1	4	2	Killdeer	89	68	164	160	95	69	57	45	78	8	74	45	11	117	15	20	43	
	21				1													American Avocet	22	20	3	69	56	48	5	8	1	1	32	15		1	109	11		
1	2				2										2			Spotted Sandpiper	8	7		20	4	9	2	21	2	2	9	9	1	1	10	9	6	
1					2													Solitary Sandpiper	3	1	4	6		8		33	1		3	2						1
3	21		2	8	22	1			1	3			16		1	1		Greater Yellowlegs	79	75	90	153	98	92	23	71	59	40	48	52	64	68	67	54	170	
	2																	Willet	2	2	1	7	21	3		1	3						2		6	
2	30			69	2					2			17					Lesser Yellowlegs	122	80	77	148	83	127	32	29	35	22	33	119	58	30	58	4	103	
					1													Hudsonian Godwit	1	6		1			5							1				

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					16														Marbled Godwit	16			2	2	9												
																			Ruddy Turnstone																		1
																			Red Knot																	1	
	2				3		1												• Peep sp. •	6	43	100	5	74	6	67		16		23	10		3	2	62	44	
																			Sanderling		10		2	2					3	7	10	1	2	10	106		
	17																		Semipalmated Sandpiper	17	28		52	42	8	11	15	1	3	156	6	1	1	1			
																			Least Sandpiper		2	25	1	1	12	4	8			9	16	1	2				
																			White-rumped Sandpiper					1													
																			Baird's Sandpiper		6	7	11	23	1	30	4		31	37	8				37		
	3			1	4														Pectoral Sandpiper	8	11	2	36	18	14	6	2	3	1	8	45	19	5	11	18	56	
																			Dunlin					8													
	9			2															Stilt Sandpiper	11	8		2		14	5	35	2		1	15		28	1	100		
				7															• Dowitcher sp. •	7	13		51	43	4	5	50	48	10	50	42	41	121		3027	242	
																			Short-billed Dowitcher				50	62									1				
																			Long-billed Dowitcher		140	108	226			48	2				25	20		26	41		
	1		2																Wilson's Snipe	3	4	5	22	37	27	11	5	6	10	11	8	70	34	5	10	43	
				70															Wilson's Phalarope	70	4		150	266	28				1	3							
				75	16														Red-necked Phalarope	91	1	16	19	55	100	2	15	3	4								
36				236	279		1	1	43	50				1	5	25			Franklin's Gull	677	614	1276	1465	593	2014	5893	1075	1057	10078	1708	6136	1321	238	150	605	126	
																			Little Gull							1								1			
															2				Bonaparte's Gull	2	17	6	411	51	1	70	19	13	70	16	161	37	10	28	60	32	
				27		4	10	40	174			13		50		5150	2		• White-headed Gull sp. •	5470	5201	224	316	283	2721	944	3117	1908	2234	1202	1008	4586	796	3870	510	222	
69	25			18	93	3		42	67	210		10	120	10	90	7			Ring-billed Gull	764	3830	1963	2018	3010	1853	997	2003	4016	2876	9343	7986	3933	1710	921	2349	1334	
								11	5						10				California Gull	146	281	26	23	7	7	1	40	5	4	12	59	80	4	1	17	55	
															5				Herring Gull	5	17	4	6	10		3	28	26	1	2	1	3			4	94	
																			Sabine's Gull														1	1			
																			Common Tern		1	56	6	3	3	25	10		1	2		2		1			
																			Forster's Tern		6			2	9		2		3		7		1				
	75																		Black Tern	75	33		93	2	10	50	5	4						2			
24	12			1	12	3	15	175	11	118	65	2	4	14	60	25	6		Rock Pigeon	547	1111	1253	1434	627	1119	458	792	859	765	512	722	646	432	457	1599	190	
																			Eurasian Collared-Dove	1	5																
11	12		6	9	31	77			24	1			9		1	1	2		Mourning Dove	184	200	97	528	140	102	16	72	53	18	48	40	53	23	32	11	56	
					3														Great Horned Owl	3	6	3	5	9		3	9	4	1	8	8	7	2	3	6	5	
																			Short-eared Owl														1		3		
																			1 Common Nighthawk	2	1		1											1			
																			Ruby-throated Hummingbird		1		1	2	1										1		
								1	1						1	2			Belted Kingfisher	7	15	10	12	12	8	10	14	13	6	3	13	6	20	14	31	10	
			2		3				1										Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	6	20	2	6	8	6	2	2	18	1	2	16	6	4	2	31	11	
																			• Picoides sp. •																	2	
	1				4				1		1		1						Downy Woodpecker	8	18	15	13	10	11	2	7	8	6	6	16	9		3	3	5	
			6		1					1	1	1	1	1					Hairy Woodpecker	12	7	11	13	12	7	2	10	21	3	4	3	18	7	13	20	14	
11	2		1	6	9	26	3	24	3	8	45	12	10	7	6		29		Northern Flicker	202	298	127	295	239	215	133	188	113	27	39	100	56	102	77	261	78	
																			Pileated Woodpecker		4	1															

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																		Olive-sided Flycatcher		1		3	1			1												
																		Western Wood-Pewee				2																
2								1		1				2				• Empidonax sp. •	6	22	2	9	13	3	2	4	6							19		4	12	4
																		Yellow-bellied Flycatcher				1																
																		Alder Flycatcher		2																		
			2	1								1			2			Least Flycatcher	6	35	4	26	8	1	5	10	1		5	10					6	1		
															1			Eastern Phoebe	1	8	5	7	5	4	1	2	3		2			1	1	1	2	1		
																		Say's Phoebe		1		2	1			1												
																		Great Crested Flycatcher				1																
																		Western Kingbird				5																
1	1																	Eastern Kingbird	2	3	1	9	20	5	2	5	1		1	4				1				
																		• Shrike sp. •																		2		
																		Loggerhead Shrike		1				4			1									2		
																		Northern Shrike	2																			
																		Blue-headed Vireo		7		1	2	3	1	5									1		3	
			1	1														Warbling Vireo	4	5		5	5	2					1								4	
																		Philadelphia Vireo	2	2		1		2		1											2	
1																		Red-eyed Vireo	5	10	1	5	7	5		11				1	1				3		3	
1	1																	Blue Jay	45	68	30	96	44	43	7	43	37	36	39	69	60	70	58	45	76			
32	32		6	4	11	19	3	32	6	21	7	1	1	2	2	8	8	Black-billed Magpie	195	194	227	343	175	451	113	323	485	424	387	424	492	506	484	468	332			
140	23		22	2	134	63	2	2	3	34	66	11	14	11	10	96	46	American Crow	679	448	613	1102	244	1400	735	1356	2020	2233	2002	1359	2342	2887	5919	2736	1413			
7	3		4	4	16	8	4	3	1	7					2	2	1	Common Raven	62	88	49	59	28	22	20	21	20	30	5	27	9	8	15	14	7			
	28		2	1	21													Horned Lark	52	10	65	9	20	11	126	77	43	31	34	4	9	121	64	50	38			
																		• Swallow sp. •																		20		
																		Tree Swallow				7		5	16	2	2						1	2	4			
																		Bank Swallow				8			2	2												
																		Cliff Swallow	2	1					1												1	
20	50			74	53	217						2						Barn Swallow	416	382	701	621	513	322	183	216	50	45	52	35	102	120	51	3	267			
26			20	1	15		11	33	9	43	23	15	47	15	30	11	35	Black-capped Chickadee	334	345	337	347	216	312	154	144	252	219	257	285	261	159	163	132	155			
																		Red-breasted Nuthatch	63	71	110	54	97	33	5	28	73	13	111	86	65	24	121	58	74			
																		White-breasted Nuthatch	5	1	1	3	2		2	2		3	1	1	1	1		1	4			
																		Brown Creeper									3					5	2					
1	1		12															House Wren	26	33	12	33	30	9	18	14	7	2	2	6	4	6	8	13	9			
			1															Sedge Wren	1																			
			2		2	2												Marsh Wren	6	1		5				3	3		5	23	3		4	12	9			
																		Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1	21	4	1	2	2	3	1	11	1	5	4	9	14	4	3	14			
																		Eastern Bluebird										1										
3	27		1															Mountain Bluebird	31	88	41	97	133	188	66	277	215	335	45	56	191	383	113	383	117			
	1																	Townsend's Solitaire	1					1	1		1											
																		• Thrush sp. •										1								1		
																		Veery		2																1		
																		Gray-cheeked Thrush				1	1	1													1	
																		Swainson's Thrush	2	172		11	19	18	9	11	2	1		3	8	11	5	37	5			

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																		Hermit Thrush		2						2	3	3	5	1	3	1				
20	29		2	8	15	24	3	52	12	61	74	13	67	31	25	9	4	American Robin	449	548	548	556	312	320	123	253	425	266	311	332	549	799	360	876	278	
																		Varied Thrush															1			
3			8		5	2	2	1	2	9				12	3			Gray Catbird	47	18	17	41	29	10	5	7	10	2	5	5	3	2	4	7	9	
1					7		3			2	5	1		1	1			Brown Thrasher	21	16	4	18	11	9	5	5	2		2	6	4	1		4	5	
6	19		3	10	11	32			12									European Starling	93	1116	221	213	195	854	560	102	171	114	92	149	326	173	1004	337	189	
				15	43													American Pipit	58	1	44	15	9	16	5	24	80	37	143	25	19	58	3	45	120	
				1														Sprague's Pipit	1				2				1			7						
52	43		17	7	56	21	14	6	18	45	13	18	23	8	30	6	3	Cedar Waxwing	380	401	344	473	410	313	134	284	189	57	139	250	264	41	193	455	322	
	37																	• Warbler sp. •	37	246	37	137	62		6	30	250	50		10	20	5		3000		
				1	2		2	3						1		1		Tennessee Warbler	10	50	4	38	74	24	17	77	29	6	6	8	12	23	4	108	19	
1			10		11	2	2			3				2	2			Orange-crowned Warbler	33	184	44	27	61	25	20	37	77	17	31	43	37	64	43	214	86	
																		• Nashville-like Warbler sp. •																46		
																		Nashville Warbler				1	1	1	2	1			1			4	6	3		
				1				1		8								Yellow Warbler	10	25	6	23	17	11	4	26	10	1	3	29	3	2	8	25	1	
																		Chestnut-sided Warbler		3			1	1										3		
				1						3								Magnolia Warbler	4	45		4	6	10		3	4			1	5		15	4		
														1				Cape May Warbler	1	1		3	2	5		1	1			2			3			
34	1		6	29	52	10	3	6	1	39	9		10	3	5			Yellow-rumped Warbler	208	947	243	347	552	738	313	97	1142	340	287	1422	585	1039	1032	2168	511	
																		Black-throated Green Warbler		1		2					1							2		
																		Blackburnian Warbler																1		
																		Pine Warbler											1							
	1						1	1		1					3			Palm Warbler	7	68	1	19	12	49	34	9	48	15	23	83	33	46	64	406	54	
																		Bay-breasted Warbler		1		3			1	2	1						5			
				1										2	1			Blackpoll Warbler	4	48	2	37	13	7	9	26	2	2	6	3	1	3	1	20	4	
					1			2										Black-and-white Warbler	3	15		4	4	3		4			5	1		1	5	1		
			2				1			3								American Redstart	6	184	4	26	16	6	7	43	3			4	8	1	44	2		
1																		Ovenbird	1	10	1	4	4	4		4	1		1		1		9	1		
									1	1				1				Northern Waterthrush	3	4	7	9		2	2	4	2		2	2		1	1	9	2	
														1	1			Connecticut Warbler	2	1				1					6							
															1			Mourning Warbler	1	4		1	2			1	2			1	1		1	2		
			17		1					2								Common Yellowthroat	20	27	4	29	20	12	12	10	13	2	6	11	8	13	8	32	17	
														1				Wilson's Warbler	1	5	3	8	1	1	4	5	4		2	3		1		6	1	
																		Canada Warbler				2		1									1			
	50					310	18	7								1		• Sparrow sp. •	386	202	204	138	228	90	8	442	160	87	278	103	62	33	14	255		
			4		3										3			Spotted Towhee	10	11	8	11	21	4	4	3	8	2	3	11	6	10	17	12	12	
																		American Tree Sparrow		3			4				27	10	5	36	22	7	4	1		
27			2				3	6		21			2		1	5		Chipping Sparrow	67	101	28	23	114	55	22	18	43	19	40	112	13	15	34	84	51	
5	2		2			3				16	6				5			Clay-colored Sparrow	39	139	25	209	24	14	27	26	24	11	62	6	13	11	7	98	39	
10	1		6		20	14				2								Vesper Sparrow	53	103	123	169	192	237	374	151	129	101	79	100	77	94	144	88	138	
																		Lark Sparrow		1			2									1				
																		Lark Bunting										1								
6				3	4	18				4								Savannah Sparrow	35	13	19	52	87	35	78	40	100	30	82	127	66	60	101	80	109	

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																		Baird's Sparrow							1						8							
																		Le Conte's Sparrow				1					1										3	7
																		Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow					1								2	2						
																		Fox Sparrow		26			1						1	1								
			2							5				1	1			Song Sparrow	9	20	10	28	9	6	45	8	35	4	37	35	12	15	1	68	33			
			5		1			1		1					3	1		Lincoln's Sparrow	12	39	7	40	9	11	3	2	22	5	9	24	7	26	8	49	19			
															1			Swamp Sparrow	1	3	1		2	3	5		4		2	2	2	16	4	3	18			
2			3		6		3	1		5			4	21	11	4	13	White-throated Sparrow	73	219	25	60	119	221	21	15	234	157	191	218	246	549	303	165	185			
															1			Harris's Sparrow	1								32	5	2	7	5	40	19	8	18			
3			4		1	1	1			6			3		5			White-crowned Sparrow	24	38	10	23	38	2	16	7	154	97	55	97	27	310	196	101	99			
															1			Dark-eyed Junco	1	84	10	4	24	72	16	5	178	194	29	117	91	777	239	75	149			
			13												10			Lapland Longspur	23		19	1	17	10	12	81	1048	594	558	1667	1099	980	720	558	409			
																		Snow Bunting																	2			
							1											Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1	1		3	3	1			1								1	2		
																		<i>• Blackbird sp. •</i>			166	130	800		4					43		1013	13					
				150	2					2						9		Red-winged Blackbird	163	8	2	167	293	65	8	721	112	9	9	4	532	100	59	24	87			
	2		20	2	1	14												Western Meadowlark	39	60	65	27	78	80	116	63	167	39	123	80	101	83	123	100	69			
	3				9													Yellow-headed Blackbird	12	405		620	1264	5607	426	327	39	30	4	6	530	23	156	45	10			
																		Rusty Blackbird				27					19	15		13	12	36	4	1	2			
	4			150	275	87			12									Brewer's Blackbird	535	1372	687	733	892	1308	8251	4225	3345	6107	4859	1972	3090	6204	812	1263	1182			
	45							21		110	71		28	21	1			Common Grackle	297	566	7	125	113	28	20	41	187	156	6	251	9	554	103	88	91			
																		Brown-headed Cowbird		1						2			41					1	30			
2								2					1					Purple Finch	5	11		4	8	6	1		5	1	2	1			2	1	11			
					3			35	6	15	47		25	19	5	1	4	House Finch	160	120	93	249	44	86	21	44	51	34	43	18	21	5	15					
																		Red Crossbill								2				1								
																		White-winged Crossbill		25		2																
																		Common Redpoll				2																
1	1				10										1		3	Pine Siskin	16	107	18	711	130	249	11	105	23		16	276	177	172	138	46	157			
31	39		15	3	30	20	4	2	2	44	9	1	20	5	4	2	American Goldfinch	231	241	234	248	120	170	103	134	97	65	194	227	58	180	216	102	187				
																		Evening Grosbeak															2					
70	8			30	45		2	230	45	121	103	30	12	25	40	8	119	House Sparrow	888	905	1548	1202	554	924	757	1218	3389	853	683	1005	470	753	764	852	481			
1556	3238		421	1798	12151	5553	424	1755	629	1626	808	135	1041	361	506	5608	382	TOTAL BIRDS	37992	42785	38105	49015	57379	59622	39252	34665	73093	54463	39861	52803	52545	38904	58357	42098	27858			

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7:35	7:05		6:15	6:58	7:45	6:47	8:30	6:30	8:55	7:30	7:00	12:05	7:00	7:15	7:00	8:00	7:35	start																			
19:48	15:45		13:25	16:00	16:35	20:20	13:30	11:30	12:45	19:30	19:00	17:25	19:20	18:45	18:00	16:45	19:20	end																			
4.9	8.4		1.3	3.5	7.0	5.9		1.5	1.5	1.5	0.5	2.0			1.0	3.0	2.0	Car Party Hours	44	77	57	54	70	64	53	59	61	60	79	50	58	70	56	53	49		
7.3			4.8	3.0	2.4	6.3	4.5	3.5	3.5	16.5	4.5	2.7	9.0	4.0	9.0	5.0	7.0	Foot Party Hours	92.97	89	80	95	81	76	45	61	98	68	59	101	79	68	78	62	57		
																		Bicycle Party Hours																	7		
																		Train Party Hours								3				1					2		
12.2	8.4		6.1	6.5	9.4	12.2	4.5	5.0	5.0	18.0	5.0	4.7	9.0	4.0	10.0	8.0	9.0	TOTAL Party Hours	137	166	137	149	150	140	97	120	162	127	138	151	138	139	134	123	106		
172.0	117.0		39.2	112.0	170.0	206.4		18.5		45.0	18.9	13.2			25.0	40.0	48.0	Car Party km	1025	1385	1261	1311	1288	1095	1176	1197	1126	1242	1245	1244	1195	1076	1160	997	891		
3.0			11.0	1.5	3.0	1.5	3.0	5.5		20.0	8.0	4.3	18.0	10.0	40.0	15.0		Foot Party km	143.8	173	90	129	100	69	64	78	108	86	76	77	114	83	98	66	89		
																		Bicycle Party km				2													16		
																		Train Party km								60									5		
175.0	117.0		50.2	113.5	173.0	207.9	3.0	24.0		65.0	26.9	17.5	18.0	10.0	65.0	55.0	48.0	TOTAL km	1169	1558	1352	1442	1388	1164	1239	1275	1294	1328	1321	1321	1361	1159	1258	1084	980		

Teams (Leaders)

SE sector

- SE/A [Robert Johanson](#), Kay Krueger
- SE/B [Marten Stoffel](#), John Patterson
- SE/C Count not done
- SE/D [Mike Gollop](#)
- SE/E [J. Frank Roy](#), Judy Toews, Linda Schnedar
- SE/F [Stan Shadick](#), Linda Schnedar, Kay Krueger
- SE/G [Michael Williams](#), Carol Blenkin, Mary Loewen

Unique Species

- Sharp-tailed Grouse, Ovenbird
- Common Goldeneye, Bald Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, Willet, Semipalmated Sandpiper, Black Tern, Townsend's Solitaire
- Sedge Wren, Sprague's Pipit
- Black-crowned Night Heron, Wilson's Phalarope, Cliff Swallow
- Hudsonian Godwit, Marbled Godwit
- Eurasian Collared-Dove, Great Horned Owl, Northern Shrike, Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- Harris's Sparrow
- Philadelphia Vireo
- Dark-eyed Junco
- Tundra Swan
- Cape May Warbler
- Bonaparte's Gull, Herring Gull, Eastern Phoebe, Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Mourning Warbler, Wilson's Warbler, Swamp Sparrow
- Gray Partridge

Weather

- Temperature range: 10 - 30°C
- Sky: Clear
- Rain: None
- Wind: 4 - 21 km/hour

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																		• Shrew spp. •																		1										
																		• Bat spp. •																			1									
																		Raccoon											2		1															
																		• Weasel spp. •						5												1 (d)		1	1							
								1										Short-tailed Weasel	1																											
																		Mink				1																								
																		Badger								1 (d)																				
																		Skunk				1			4									1	1 (d)		1	4								
	2																	Coyote	2	17	8	12	4	2	8	1	13	3	9	5	1						11	5	8							
																		Red Fox				1				1	1										2	1								
							3				2	x						Richardson's Ground Squirrel	5	114	291	62	8	11		4	6	5	18	33	6							3	19	6						
													2					13-lined Ground Squirrel	2	2	2			2					4	3							2	1								
																		Franklin's Ground Squirrel				1	1														4	2								
							8				1							Least Chipmunk	13	16	41	30	12	12	9	11	35	15	9	39	17	1	11	7				17								
																		Eastern Fox Squirrel																												
																		Red Squirrel	6		4	1		1			5		2	2	1							9								
																		Beaver		2	2	1	3	2	2		2		3								1	2	1	3						
																		Deer Mouse		1						1												1								
																		Vole																					1							
	3																	Muskrat	13	1	4	25	28	18	1	2	4		1	3									2	7	7	5				
																		Porcupine							1														1 (d)							
											1	1						White-tailed Jack Rabbit	2	2		4	3	4	5	6			2	1										1		4				
																		Snowshoe Hare	1			1	1				9	2											1							
																		Mule Deer	1	9	1	24	20	15	12	5	21	3	8	3	7									15	8	4				
	5																	White-tailed Deer	6	21	13	17	26	12	17	8	19	6	15	16	8	15	7													
																		Moose	1																											
																		Pronghorn								6		7																		
																		Tiger Salamander																												
																		Leopard Frog		1	5	7	2																							
																		Wood Frog		3		3	2		8																2					
																		Canadian Toad	1	1		2	15				1															1				
																		Boreal Chorus Frog		2																					1	1				
																		• Garter Snake spp. •		1																										
																		Western Plains Garter Snake		2	1				1																	3				
																		Common Checkered Skipper																												
																		Plains Skipper	1																											
																		• White spp. •		1		4	2	20																	19		1	24		
																		Checkered White																								3				
																		Western White		1	3		1	11		6																35	1	1		
																		Cabbage White	1599	139	231	8	70	416			11		33	801														13	5	49
																		• Sulphur spp. •	17	5			10	2			17	1	10	6														141	129	48
	x																	Clouded sulphur	364	142	257	14	64	204		1	24	4	79	318	4													52	10	28
																		Orange Sulphur																												

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																		Purplish Copper					3				1		1						2		2
																		• <i>Blue spp.</i> •			1								1								1
							2											Melissa Blue	2																		
			1															• <i>Large Fritillary spp.</i> •	1		1																
																		Variegated Fritillary		1	3								5								
																		Great Spangled Fritillary			3																
																		Aphrodite Fritillary				1															
																		• <i>Small Fritillary spp.</i> •																			
				1														Meadow Fritillary	1				2														
				1														• <i>Comma spp.</i> •	1			1														1	2
										1								Satyr Comma	1			1														1	
																		Compton Tortoiseshell																		1	
																		Green Comma		1																	
																		Gray Comma									1										
										1		1		1	1			Mourning Cloak	4	1	3		2				9		6	1	2		11	4		1	
										4				1			Milbert's Tortoiseshell	5	9	5		1	1					3	7			2	1				
																		Painted Lady											10								1
																		Red Admiral		2	1								4						2		
																		Woolly Bear Caterpillar		1		6										2	1				
																		Cricket				5	10			1	1							10			
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												2						Variable Darner	2																		
																		• <i>Damselfly spp.</i> •																	5		
												1						Spotted Spreadwing	1																		

(d) - dead x - number not recorded