

Forty-five individuals participated in the Spring bird count on May 24, 2025 under mainly sunny skies. The species count of 178 was slightly above the long-term average (LTA) of 172.

Water levels in sloughs and other waterbodies were noticeably higher than in recent years and there was considerable standing water in the fields. As a result, waterfowl counts were higher than the most recent five-year average. Ruddy Duck count (174%) was the highest since 1988. Grebe and rail counts were quite low in the past two years but have recovered. The Eared Grebe count set a new high (334%) and American Coot count (122%) was more than ten times that recorded in 2024 and 2023. Shorebird counts were mixed, with Wilson’s Phalarope (474%) at the high end of their range and Black-bellied Plover (7%) and Marbled Godwit (31%) at the low end.

Surprisingly, the Gray Partridge count (125%) was only 20 birds after more than 1000 were tallied on the Boxing Day count. Another surprise was a single Burrowing Owl, the first since 1998. Its location was reported to Nature Saskatchewan.

Among the raptors, Red-tailed Hawk count (27%) was less than half the LTA for the fourth straight year. It is thought to be susceptible to highly pathogenic avian influenza. Swainson’s Hawk (77%) has not been affected to the same extent, but the overall reduction in hawk nests has affected the Great Horned Owl count (30%) over the same four-year period. Osprey have been nesting at several sites along the river and the count this year set a new high for the species (380%), Short-eared Owl (454%) have been seen frequently this Spring and were at the high end of their range on the count.

Franklin’s Gull count (12%) has been very low for seven years. Prior to 2019 the average count was 1809 and since then it has been 134. It may be that a colony was abandoned during the dry years and has yet to be re-established. The last two years have seen the lowest counts on record for Common Tern (16%), but the Black Tern count (84%), which had dipped to levels similar to the Common Tern in

2021, has recovered to a normal level. Caspian Tern were seen this year for only the third time.

Woodpecker, flycatcher, and corvid counts were all in the normal range or above, but with the exception of Cliff Swallow (101%) the swallow counts were low with Bank Swallow (29%) and Barn Swallow (33%) being the lowest. Red-breasted Nuthatch (203%), White-breasted Nuthatch (231%) and Northern House Wren (157%) all seem to be in long-term rising trends.

Like the once common Baird’s Sparrow (10%), the count for Le Conte’s Sparrow (12%) is now consistently low. Only six individuals in total have been recorded in the last five counts.

Sixteen species of warbler were recorded with Tennessee Warbler (339%) being by far the most common after Yellow Warbler (132%).

Thank you to all who participated in the count this year. We hope you will join us again on future counts.

John Patterson, Compiler
Stan Shadick, Organizer

Notes:

Long-term averages are calculated from 1985 – present.

To make year-to-year count comparisons valid, raw counts have been corrected for effort (annual corrected count = annual raw count x long-term average party hours / annual party hours). Corrected counts are presented as a % of the LTA. Raw counts are shown in the tables.

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63	86	108	88	111	71	62	122	76	104	97	41	58		69	47	53	35		50	39	39	25	Total Species	178	170	171	166	189	184	170	176	173
6.9	14.3	16.0	12.0	14.0	12.0	14.8	15.0	7.4	9.5	17.7	8.3	14.0		5.5	8.8	8.9	4.1		5.3	8.4	4.1	4.1	Party Hours	211	195	245	239	287	276	201	182	203
1	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	6	1	3		2	3	1	6		2	1	3	1	Participants	46	56	71	57	71	80	53	48	53
																							• Goose sp. •									
	6		1	1		6	4	2	6	1													Snow Goose	27	21	5	17	12	30	22	68	32
																							Ross's Goose						1		112	3
						3				1													Greater White-fronted Goose	4		1	2	2	1	2		5
																							Cackling Goose					4	1	2		
63	68	71	25	92	8	31	79	90	60	122	12	21		90	24	26	65		55	45	48		Canada Goose	1095	1222	973	1803	2050	2717	1485	984	1327
																							Trumpeter Swan				1					
																							Tundra Swan									1
	75	1000								200									6				• Duck sp. •	1281	5	600	2	455	366	3	75	4
				1																			Wood Duck	1	2	1		8	6	7		
17	42	57	25	106	25	28	107	65	37	56	2	2		5	3				3				Blue-winged Teal	580	569	449	373	473	542	459	694	866
				1																			Cinnamon Teal	1			1		1		1	
																							Cinnamon/ Blue-winged Teal hybrid									
64	122	175	25	139	19	53	380	180	174	128		4		6	1				6				Northern Shoveler	1476	987	738	518	610	1173	649	649	1086
18	41	48	58	123	16	28	69	45	57	33				14		1			5				Gadwall	556	886	317	372	462	578	573	504	397
																							Eurasian Wigeon									
4	3	26	23	9	6	2	30	10	13	8				11	2	5	2		1				American Wigeon	155	139	97	133	192	167	200	214	190
61	69	79	25	73	17	41	115	60	69	47	6	13		30	4	28	12		16	9	16	8	Mallard	798	708	791	771	941	1213	1296	927	1029
																							American Black Duck									
1	8	15	7	22	3	5	31	70	7	18													Northern Pintail	187	200	163	40	44	71	114	124	140
1	4	5	16	23	16	2	12		6	32		2		5	2								Green-winged Teal	126	87	142	74	104	140	106	116	162
16	58	19	38	81	3	8	81	100	40	137		8		4					3				Canvasback	596	273	406	196	227	655	304	301	443
4	52	70	18	32		22	98	20	18	59		4							6				Redhead	403	223	130	118	153	244	101	289	434
			2	5			10		2														Ring-necked Duck	19	20	13	7	22	32	18	24	1
																							Greater Scaup			2			2	3		
8	49	43	26	67	2	26	49	15	14	26	2	15			2				5				Lesser Scaup	349	354	458	515	479	641	449	527	616
																							Surf Scoter									
																							White-winged Scoter					1				3
																							Long-tailed Duck									
13	17	5	3	4	6	6	19	10	24	12													Bufflehead	119	114	164	207	177	315	224	117	105
	4				2		5		3														Common Goldeneye	14	16	28	17	31	33	38	9	11
																							Barrow's Goldeneye					1				
																							• Merganser sp. •									
				2																			Hooded Merganser	2	1	7	5	3	6	14	1	1
		2					12							2							1		Common Merganser	17	9	5	13	47	8	29	8	15
																							Red-breasted Merganser									
348	137	4	29	39		17	69	45	32	39		12											Ruddy Duck	771	550	407	246	218	83	113	175	331
																							Chukar									
					1				5	1													Ruffed Grouse	7	11	9	5	8	13	10	2	9

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					19		4	15	3	2													Sharp-tailed Grouse	43	15	13	37	10	22	61	3	13
	1		4				3	4	2	9													Gray Partridge	23	37	19	7	10	27	19	14	16
																							Ring-necked Pheasant									
	6			2		1	6	10	2	4	1												Pied-billed Grebe	32	13	7	1	12	6	7	29	24
	8		1	16			5	2	3	11		2			2				2				Horned Grebe	52	57	37	19	42	47	70	63	77
2	4	4		8			10	8		2		1		4		2			7				Red-necked Grebe	52	54	38	51	50	58	67	46	52
64	1522	462	203	69		43	109	44	17	113		5		2									Eared Grebe	2653	369	93	300	179	288	1451	505	256
4		24		10				10															Western Grebe	48	10	5	5	2	15	34	6	5
																							Clark's Grebe									
12	65	30	34	10			20	25	5	110	49	57		47	2	11	62		9	49	10	3	Rock Pigeon	610	450	748	678	469	529	861	429	444
		7		3					3	2													Eurasian Collared-Dove	15	21	8	15	10	14	20	14	9
8	26	35	64	22	9	8	37	15	28	7	3	2		2	5	2							Mourning Dove	273	176	450	206	232	297	215	300	150
																							Black-billed Cuckoo						1			
																							Common Nighthawk		2	2	1	2	3		28	
																							Chimney Swift									
									1	1													Ruby-throated Hummingbird	2	2	3	3	4	13	6	5	4
																							Black-chinned Hummingbird									
																							Virginia Rail			2	2		8	2	2	3
2	17	12	5	9	3	1	12	5	3	8	2				1				4	1			Sora	85	77	91	35	77	59	18	93	94
37	149	97	32	74	2	139	60	110	47	234	2	11		1					9	1			American Coot	1005	417	99	101	308	121	93	279	471
																							Yellow Rail									
				2				1				2											Sandhill Crane	5	10	5	14	11	40	2	8	
																							• Shorebird sp. •			2	38	2011	560	247	8	
				2		2	6	8	2														Black-necked Stilt	20	2	1	4	5			10	2
44		21	10	31	22	21	33	65	28	41				2						1			American Avocet	319	332	154	260	362	398	289	395	273
		1								15													Black-bellied Plover	16	23	5	110	188	91	43	22	75
										26													American Golden-Plover	26	1	8	2	185	32	76	24	37
				6																			Semipalmated Plover	6		1	2	45	1	20	13	3
																							Piping Plover		1	3			2			
3	18	11	14	22	5	8	13	7	12	16	2			1					3	2			Killdeer	137	108	253	157	212	231	195	186	119
				3	1		3			2													Upland Sandpiper	9	5	1		3	1	4	4	2
																							Whimbrel									
					3																		Long-billed Curlew	3	8	2	3	2	4	4	8	
																							Hudsonian Godwit		2							
3			2		2		4	5	2	4													Marbled Godwit	22	17	18	26	49	51	50	51	13
							2																Ruddy Turnstone	2				30		20	15	8
																							• Large Sandpiper sp. •									
																							Red Knot					2				
		402	165	274	5	150	19		20	135													Stilt Sandpiper	1170	1336	1207	582	992	860	2496	1231	808
50		6	8	12			2		1														Sanderling	79	239	194	51	114	200	166	471	2
																							Dunlin				1	2	1	1		

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7	40		40	500	26	250	65	120	1	20													• Peep sp. •	1069	1879	3136	2070	530	493	1139	157	
				220	1	100	2			78													Baird's Sandpiper	401	97	491	43	39	51	33	33	11
		2		37			2			12													Least Sandpiper	53	153	4	27	15	30	39	23	3
				16			25																White-rumped Sandpiper	41	27	174	70	108	108	4	31	46
																							Buff-breasted Sandpiper								25	
1				3			2			9													Pectoral Sandpiper	15	8	131	44	16	89	9	35	6
130			20	84			10																Semipalmated Sandpiper	244	2491	1489	667	1113	734	474	269	38
																							Western Sandpiper					2			1	
						15		11															• Dowitcher sp. •	26	326	110	527	14	11	11		
			10																				Short-billed Dowitcher	10	12						45	
				7																			Long-billed Dowitcher	7	115	64		151	2	16		28
6	3	5	5	4	4	1	7	1	3	6					1								Wilson's Snipe	46	31	40	28	68	44	46	77	40
								300															• Phalarope sp. •	300					2500			
2000	5	28	67	29	8	3	31	42	12	36													Wilson's Phalarope	2261	213	112	374	439	202	44	241	186
		30	100	437			250	15	109														Red-necked Phalarope	941	9759	1791	903	1982	1932	1514	2493	421
	2	17		3	1	1	2		6	1				2			1		1			3	Spotted Sandpiper	40	39	29	32	54	43	30	20	26
																							Solitary Sandpiper		2	1	2		1			2
																							• Yellowlegs sp. •									
2																							Greater Yellowlegs	2	3	34		11		2	7	3
7	4	3	9	7		9	4	12	7	12				2	1								Willet	77	53	92	76	101	127	81	60	62
							1		2														Lesser Yellowlegs	3	13	1		1	11	14	4	5
																							Parasitic Jaeger									
																							• Gull sp. •			15		23	7			
																							Sabine's Gull									
		3																					Bonaparte's Gull	3		12					2	1
1	1	4	11	3	1		140	32	1		1											3	Franklin's Gull	198	259	140	162	244	108	51	389	617
			10			1	2	20	8	3	1			2						1	1		• White-headed Gull sp. •	49	42	95	368	1161	54	10	18	449
	2	11	12	6			24					37		16			15			9	16		Ring-billed Gull	148	111	90	132	304	503	430	556	74
		2	2				1			79													California Gull	84	304	160	77	267	83	24	2	6
							1																American Herring Gull	1			8	16	4	1	1	
																							Iceland Gull					1				
																							Lesser Black-backed Gull					1				
																							Glaucous Gull									
		2																					Caspian Tern	2			1		1			
16	66	55	65	9	1	1	205	10	6	101				27	2			4					Black Tern	568	241	154	109	119	120	256	275	601
																							• White tern sp. •									
										1				3									Common Tern	4	4	13	21	25	36	15	11	15
																							Arctic Tern									
		4	5											1									Forster's Tern	10	1	3	19	2	10	7	20	4
																							Common Loon		3	3			1	6	3	1
																							Yellow-billed Loon									

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8		1	31	8		1	2	2						2			6					2	Double-crested Cormorant	63	28	81	74	36	112	88	56	60
	7	57	49	61			22		18	5				34	7		6						American White Pelican	266	77	120	184	101	100	113	76	87
																							American Bittern			2		3	2			9
	2	2	1		2				1														Great Blue Heron	8	5	3	9	21	11	10	1	11
																							Great Egret									
																							Cattle Egret									
																							Black-crowned Night Heron			1		30	30	21	5	8
							14																White-faced Ibis	14								
		1	2	1			1	1	3														Turkey Vulture	9	17	17	25	16	24	14	23	32
	1									1				2			2				2		Osprey	8	1	7	3	4	5	3	4	4
																							Golden Eagle									
2	3	4	6	5		1	4	4	7	3													Northern Harrier	39	23	30	29	34	34	29	36	39
																							• Accipiter sp. •					2				
	1		1							1				1									Sharp-shinned Hawk	4	1		3	1	2	1	4	
			2		1									1		1	1						Cooper's Hawk	6	4	7	6	7	8	1	7	3
																							American Goshawk				1		2			
									2														Bald Eagle	2	1	4	1	1	3	1	1	1
																							• Buteo sp. •				1					
																							Broad-winged Hawk		1	1		1	1		1	1
	4	2	7	12		3	9	4		4				2	3								Swainson's Hawk	50	42	65	40	43	56	60	86	64
	2	2	4	2	1	1	2	2	2					1				1					Red-tailed Hawk	20	30	33	19	63	66	44	54	35
																							Rough-legged Hawk									
				2																			Ferruginous Hawk	2				1				1
	1	1		1					1														Great Horned Owl	4	5	12	5	4	10	15	8	16
																							Snowy Owl									
			1																				Burrowing Owl	1								
																							Long-eared Owl					1	2	1		2
	1			2			6																Short-eared Owl	9								1
																							Northern Saw-whet Owl						3			
	1								1												2		Belted Kingfisher	4	1		2	3	5	6	5	6
																							•Woodpecker sp.•			3						
	1	1			1	2	3		3														Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	11	13	11	6	9	26	21	9	16
																							Lewis's Woodpecker									
																							Red-headed Woodpecker								1	
																							American Three-toed Woodpecker									
																							Black-backed Woodpecker									
																							• Hairy/Downy Woodpecker •						1			
		3					3	1	1	3		6		1	1	2	1		1	1	1		Downy Woodpecker	25	19	25	22	30	23	22	12	8
		2	1				2			5	3	5		3		1			1	1	3		Hairy Woodpecker	27	25	12	12	20	24	17	12	16
							1																Pileated Woodpecker	1	4	1	1	7	2	1	1	1
	5	3	3	4	2		1	3	4	3	2	7			2			3	6	4	5		Northern Flicker	57	44	38	32	54	62	33	40	28

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																							• Falconidae sp. •									
	1																						• Small Falcon sp. •	1			1					
	1	5			1		2	2	2														American Kestrel	13	14	8	6	6	12	14	12	9
	3		1				1		1		3	9		2	1	2				1	2	6	Merlin	32	17	20	21	37	31	13	22	14
																							• Large Falcon sp. •									
																					1		Peregrine Falcon	1	3		1	6	1		5	1
																							Prairie Falcon									
																							Olive-sided Flycatcher		1			1			1	
																							Western Wood-Pewee					1				
																							• Empidonax sp. •			5	5	1	3		2	
															1								Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	1		1		1				
		1		2																			Alder Flycatcher	3	1	6	4	22	5		2	1
4	11	29	12	18	38	1	13	2	15	20	5	10		8	25	8	3		2	2	4	7	Least Flycatcher	237	222	280	329	401	344	241	335	272
			4	1			3			3					1	2							Eastern Phoebe	14	2	10	9	13	29	6	11	15
				2																			Say's Phoebe	2	1		2	3	2	1		
																							Great Crested Flycatcher					1				
	4	9	45	5		2	14		5	5													Western Kingbird	89	58	58	77	53	96	28	119	68
2	2	16	45	9	1	5	7	2	9	5				2						1			Eastern Kingbird	106	214	250	282	232	440	61	270	116
																							• Vireo sp. •					3				1
														1		1							Blue-headed Vireo			2		1				
																							Philadelphia Vireo	2		3		5	2	1	5	2
1	3	15	5	5	11	1	8	1	10	13		1		3		2			1	1			Warbling Vireo	81	83	97	81	124	141	24	110	92
		4		1	6		2				1	14		1	4	2	3			1	3		Red-eyed Vireo	42	29	96	34	133	54	4	82	25
	5	1	2	6			6		2										1				Loggerhead Shrike	23	18	18	8	8	18	10	5	14
																							Northern Shrike									
		1		1			1				2	5		1	1	5					5		Blue Jay	22	22	27	27	55	53	33	35	18
7	29	29	13	3		10	21	25	39	31	32	57		16	4	13	25		18	9	10	21	Black-billed Magpie	412	440	417	445	614	751	479	484	468
14	17	28	7	6	3	15	38	12	21	25	24	104		39	45	21	20		5	37	11	18	American Crow	510	698	490	490	789	737	438	558	586
1	13	35	11	9	3		38		18	4	5	1		2	1	1							Common Raven	142	137	196	140	181	228	150	141	153
	3	16			2		4		5	3	22	20		13	1	17	17		5	4	5	9	Black-capped Chickadee	146	172	105	169	285	219	160	118	149
7	5	1	15	14	5		5	4	1	3													Horned Lark	60	48	22	50	38	57	23	24	17
																							• Swallow sp. •						6			
							3																Northern Rough-winged Swallow	3	10	4	5	8	12	8	5	4
1	7	31	2	52			3	6	11	11				7					1				Purple Martin	132	215	162	116	180	175	201	411	208
2		35	40	34	13	4	27	15	22	24				4	8	1			9	2			Tree Swallow	240	481	417	427	446	668	2158	422	390
80		8	10		30				4	4													Bank Swallow	136	212	66	130	122	543	459	147	92
	17	9	13	31		7	22		5	9		6		3		1	4		5	1			Barn Swallow	133	231	273	352	371	432	392	295	265
		30	230	8			15	75	86														Cliff Swallow	444	213	244	264	333	676	110	447	350
																							Golden-crowned Kinglet									
									1														Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1	4	1	2	9	7	2	8	10
		1									10	15		1		4	4		2	1	6	3	Red-breasted Nuthatch	47	48	45	56	89	61	29	30	33

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							2					4				1							White-breasted Nuthatch	7	14	7	13	6	5	5	2	2
																							Brown Creeper									
3	24	71	7	13	25	5	13	1	38	30	22	54		31	21	21	14		3	27	12	19	Northern House Wren	454	432	505	480	483	557	355	465	435
	1	2			1																		Sedge Wren	4		2	11	2	11	4	2	5
		5		4			3	2		1													Marsh Wren	15		3	31	9	51	30	47	22
2	6	13	28	40			36	7	22	27													European Starling	181	169	154	138	118	239	291	194	119
	5	18	6		5	1	4		5	2				4	4	3	2		1	7	2		Gray Catbird	69	120	148	154	180	179	105	142	81
1	5	4	7	2		1	7	1	7	8				1	5	10			3	4	1	2	Brown Thrasher	69	50	86	59	79	87	78	95	59
																							Bendire's Thrasher									
																							Northern Mockingbird									
																							• Thrush sp. •							1	1	1
																							Eastern Bluebird									
	1	6	1	1	2		2		1	4													Mountain Bluebird	18	17	17	30	24	56	35	19	24
				1			7												1				Varied Thrush									
												2									1		Veery	9	17	20	14	20	28	16	13	24
				1	3	1			3	1		3				5			3		1	2	Gray-cheeked Thrush	3		1		1		1		
																							Swainson's Thrush	23	14	11	11	46	9	28	7	12
																							Hermit Thrush		2			2	5	3	2	
																							Wood Thrush									
3	11	32	7	38	9	3	32	8	26	47	58	103		16	19	41	14		15	63	20	40	American Robin	605	580	536	572	1077	1206	811	770	878
																							Bohemian Waxwing									
		6		2			4		2		1	2			1		8				4		Cedar Waxwing	30	62	144	100	45	196	31	59	61
3	7	31	6	28		2	35	15	24	10	164	834		28		139	87		30	144	34	107	House Sparrow	1728	1796	1701	2317	3425	2580	1108	1204	875
																							American Pipit									
			2		8																		Sprague's Pipit	10	12	35	28	9	30	41	68	9
																							Evening Grosbeak									
		1		1				4			20	25		20	3	39	4		3	11	14	11	House Finch	156	162	131	155	217	110	46	50	116
							3																Purple Finch	3	8	1	3	1	5	3	5	9
																							Redpoll									
																							• Crossbill sp. •									
																							Red Crossbill		1	4			2			
																							White-winged Crossbill							2		20
											7	7									6		Pine Siskin	20	33	30	15	62	41	32	4	10
6	8	26	26	9	10	1	11	4	13	22	8	11		4	12	8	7		8	4	4	11	American Goldfinch	213	248	225	244	308	397	89	300	291
																							Lapland Longspur									
																							Chestnut-collared Longspur									
																							Smith's Longspur									
																							Thick-billed Longspur									
																							Snow Bunting									
																							• Sparrow sp. •					1	6			4
																							Grasshopper Sparrow					1	1		1	

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3	3	12	6	18		1	18	10	6	12	62	154		7	1	18	32		4	22	9	17	Chipping Sparrow	415	269	197	264	371	195	219	205	182
17	59	35	41	47	35	18	29	4	33	51	15	24		36	19	31	16		13	27	3	4	Clay-colored Sparrow	557	352	441	524	706	637	601	529	451
																							Field Sparrow		1							
																							Brewer's Sparrow									
		5	16	1	5		5		5														Lark Sparrow	37	36	23	31	42	40	33	20	20
																							Lark Bunting									
																							American Tree Sparrow		6							
																							Fox Sparrow									
												6											Dark-eyed Junco	6			2					
																							White-crowned Sparrow		5		6	1	4	5	2	
																							Golden-crowned Sparrow									
																							Harris's Sparrow							1		5
												2			1								White-throated Sparrow	3	3	2	5	5	3	7	5	1
3	21	32	28	28	21		46	14	25	16					1	1	1						Vesper Sparrow	237	231	212	180	197	342	217	262	166
	2								1														Le Conte's Sparrow	3	1			3	8	8	15	16
		1																					Nelson's Sparrow	1	1	2	3		3	1	4	2
5	7	4	12	14	6	3	33	6	6	13													Savannah Sparrow	109	135	149	72	123	306	140	197	193
					1																		Baird's Sparrow	1		4	1		1		5	1
8	9	8	2	12	8	7	14	4	4	4	1			8	17		1		3	13	3		Song Sparrow	126	135	126	113	153	184	153	95	117
																							Lincoln's Sparrow		1	3		1	3			
																							Swamp Sparrow		1						1	
		20			3		7	2	7	6				5	4		4			2			Spotted Towhee	60	86	64	75	83	83	82	84	49
							1																Yellow-breasted Chat	1	1	4	1	2	3		3	3
																							• Blackbird sp. •			175	2	1	6	15		200
12	72	36	11	62	1	2	74	60	18	65	6								36				Yellow-headed Blackbird	455	468	333	496	743	849	471	925	537
		5		2			4		5														Bobolink	16	15	69	17	28	62	23	34	19
18	31	60	75	35	44	16	72	30	58	47	3	3		1	1				2	2			Western Meadowlark	498	461	680	392	358	748	540	508	292
																							Orchard Oriole			1						
	8	15	16	8	7	3	15		14	10		4			1								Baltimore Oriole	101	95	138	127	155	168	89	136	102
79	86	101	45	113	47	50	118	75	101	130	29	37		11	9	17	6		66	15	8		Red-winged Blackbird	1143	1397	1298	1582	1632	2953	2313	1940	1735
28	39	20	43	92	7	4	49	12	42	17	2			11	8	2	3			7	2		Brown-headed Cowbird	388	389	400	571	546	755	351	453	379
																							Rusty Blackbird							3		
	29	27	82	11	3	15	138	60	21	61	10	5		10		5				42			Brewer's Blackbird	519	788	424	426	631	827	375	526	501
18	20	23	12	37			27	20	33	7	33	32		23	2	22	3		2		17	28	Common Grackle	359	568	417	354	496	510	423	369	342
																							• Warbler sp. •				1	6	2	2		
							1								1								Ovenbird	2	3	3	6	11	13	3	4	10
																1							Northern Waterthrush	1			1	3	1	1	1	
							8					1				2							Black-and-white Warbler	11	6	10	6	4	8	6	4	10
	2	5		1	11		5		3	5	8	81		9		8	6		6	12	3	6	Tennessee Warbler	171	68	41	19	45	22	8	7	78
		1			3				1	5						1					1	1	Orange-crowned Warbler	13	12	5	5	8	8	6	10	3
				1										1		1							Nashville Warbler	3				1				

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NE1	NE2	SE1	SE2a	SE2b	SE2c	SE2d	SW1	SW2	NW1	NW2	SW	NW	C	N	NE1	NE2	U	SE-1	SE2	S	S-C	E		5/24	5/25	5/27	5/28	5/29-30	5/30	5/25	5/26	5/27
																							Connecticut Warbler								1	1
		1																					Mourning Warbler	1			3	3	3			3
2	9	1					1		2	3				2					1				Common Yellowthroat	21	52	37	51	39	60	16	37	13
		6			2		4		1	3		1		4		2							American Redstart	23	43	67	42	34	40	16	30	37
																							Cape May Warbler									1
																							Northern Parula									
				1			1					2		1		2							Magnolia Warbler	7		2			1			
												1											Bay-breasted Warbler	1	1							
																1							Blackburnian Warbler	1								
7	17	66	14	59	37	22	45	3	40	66	31	55		69	123	36	62		22	101	31	5	Yellow Warbler	911	779	756	1058	1235	1064	780	812	955
																							Chestnut-sided Warbler			1		1	1			
		1		1			1			1		3		7									Blackpoll Warbler	14	6	7	1	6	2	6		3
																							Palm Warbler								1	
	1			1			1																Yellow-rumped Warbler	3	7		13	22	4	15	6	6
																							Black-throated Green Warbler									
														1									Canada Warbler	1	1	1		1			1	2
																							Wilson's Warbler		1		1	1		1		
																							Scarlet Tanager									
																							Western Tanager									
																							Northern Cardinal									
1		4		1	2					1		2											Rose-breasted Grosbeak	11	7	21	23	17	15	10	15	20
																							Lazuli Bunting									
																							Indigo Bunting					1				
3365	3327	3984	2275	3752	661	1239	3471	2112	1768	2880	672	1916		736	407	582	519		422	689	325	343	TOTAL BIRDS	35445	40470	31429	28764	38046	42476	32615	30227	26150

5:00		7:00	6:30	6:15	4:45	5:15	7:00	5:45	5:00	6:45	6:00	6:30		6:21	6:15	6:43	6:55		8:40	7:30	7:00	6:33	Start Time									
11:55		22:00	18:30	20:15	16:45	20:00	22:00	14:00	22:00	19:40	19:30	18:30		13:01	13:00	17:08	11:00		15:30	19:50	16:30	10:33	End Time									
6.9	7.6	11.8	11.0	14.0	6.0	14.0	9.0	6.8	4.5	12.9	1.5	2.5		1.1	0.3	0.6				4.7		0.1	Car Party Hours	115	95	103	124	136	152	118	112	112
	6.7	4.3	1.0		6.0	0.8	6.0	0.7	5.0	4.8	6.8	11.5		4.3	8.5	8.3	4.1		5.3	3.7	4.1	4.0	Foot Party Hours	96	99	142	115	141	116	81	70	91
																							Bicycle/Other Party Hours					10	8	1	1	
6.9	14.3	16.0	12.0	14.0	12.0	14.8	15.0	7.4	9.5	17.7	8.3	14.0		5.5	8.8	8.9	4.1		5.3	8.4	4.1	4.1	TOTAL Party Hours	211	195	245	239	287	201	182	203	203
79.5	185.0	219.0	175.0	53.7	96.0	135.0	275.0	190.0	282.0	187.0	45.0	60.0		31.0	4.0	9.0				32.0		1.0	Car Party km	2059	1820	2001	2223	2259	3019	2293	2014	2168
	9.8	7.0	3.0		19.0	2.0	11.0	1.0	2.0	4.1	20.1	33.1		8.2	4.0	16.7	11.0		6.0	7.5	5.4	6.1	Foot Party km	177	160	243	178	203	165	107	107	126
																							Bicycle/Other Party km					18	17		3	
79.5	194.8	226.0	178.0	53.7	115.0	137.0	286.0	191.0	284.0	191.1	65.1	93.1		39.2	8.0	25.7	11.0		6.0	39.5	5.4	7.1	TOTAL km	2236	1879	2243	2400	2481	2400	2124	2294	2294

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Rural Teams		Unique species
NE1	Joshua Erikson	Greater Yellowlegs
NE2	Marten Stoffel, Meghan Mickelson	
SE1	Stan Shadick, Jan Shadick	Bonaparte's Gull, Caspian Tern, Alder Flycatcher, Nelson's Sparrow, Mourning Warbler
SE2a	Ron Jensen, Phil Taylor	Short-billed Dowitcher, Burrowing Owl
SE2b	Bob Brua, Karen Machin	Wood Duck, Cinnamon Teal, Hooded Merganser, Semipalmated Plover, Long-billed Dowitcher, Ferruginous Hawk, Say's Phoebe
SE2c	Mike Gollop	Long-billed Curlew, Baird's Sparrow
SE2d	Heather Wagg	
SW1	Guy Wapple, Nick Saunders	Ruddy Turnstone, American Herring Gull, White-faced Ibis, Pileated Woodpecker, Northern Rough-winged Swallow, Purple Finch, Yellow-breasted Chat
SW2	Diane Wells, Jim Wells	
NW1	Bob Godwin, Kathy Meeres	Bald Eagle, Ruby-crowned Kinglet
NW2	John Patterson, Marc Sabourin, Brian McGill, Eileen McGill, Dianne Young, Marten Stoffel	American Golden-Plover
City Teams		
SW	Kathlin Simpkins	
NW	David Forbes , Shélagh Barclay, Nguyen Quang Vinh	Dark-eyed Junco, Bay-breasted Warbler
N	Kerry Hjertaas, Stephanie Gauthier	Canada Warbler
NE1	Anna Leighton, Diane Murphy, Carol Blenkin	
NE2	Scott Mitchell	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher, Northern Waterthrush, Blackburnian Warbler
U	Kyron Giroux, Jade Giroux, Tara Giroux, Jayme Menard, Madi Mueller, Robbie Edwards	
SE2	Sara Bryson, LeeAnn Latremouille	
S	Donna Bruce	
S-C	Craig Salisbury, Lorriene Salisbury, Rob Salisbury	Peregrine Falcon
E	Dawn Hall	

Weather	
Temperature range:	6-23 °C
Sky:	Mainly clear
Rain:	None
Wind:	0-27 kph

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																							• Shrew sp. •									
																							• Vole sp. •									
																							Meadow Vole									
																							• Bat sp. •									
																							Little Brown Bat								1	
																							Big Brown Bat						1			
																							Raccoon						1	1		
																							• Weasel sp. •									
																							Long-tailed Weasel									
																							Mink									
																							Badger		1	2	1	1	1	1		
1																							Striped Skunk	1								
		1				3		2	x														Coyote	7	7	6	6	15	8	2	3	2
			1						1														Red Fox	2	4	1	1	3	3	2	1	
		2	25+			3	36		x	9				8		1				1			Richardson's Ground Squirrel	61	52	16	130	257	55	115	31	53
	2	1	12						x														13-lined Ground Squirrel	16	9	3	8	8	5	1	5	6
	1	2						4															Franklin's Ground Squirrel	7	2	3	5	13	3	2	5	3
	1	3				1			x														Least Chipmunk	6	11	12	8	13	10	7	5	1
		1						2															Red Squirrel	3	5	9	10	4	15	9	3	2
																							Northern Pocket Gopher				1					
									x														Beaver	1	6	4	13	9	5	2	4	
																							Deer Mouse					3				
									x	1													Muskrat	2	2	4		12	4	10	10	30
																							Porcupine		3			1				
																							• Lepus sp. •						8			
						1																	1 White-tailed Jack Rabbit	2	8	11	15	8	18	14	15	7
																							Snowshoe Hare		1	1	2	4	4	14	1	9
			1																				Nuttall's Cottontail	1	1			4				
								3	x		2												Mule Deer	6	19	30	23	40	72	26	10	11
	2	2							x					1									White-tailed Deer	6	14	22	23	23	37	62	31	21
	3																						American Elk	3					1			
																							Moose			1	2		1		1	
	1							3	3														Pronghorn	7	8	1			1	9	1	1
																							Leopard Frog									
																							Wood Frog			1		1	1	2	1	
							7																Canadian Toad	7		2		1	2			
			20			9	7		x														Boreal Chorus Frog	37	16	229	8	15	7		10	4
															1								• Garter Snake sp. •	1								
		2								1				2									Western Plains Garter Snake	5	2						1	
																							• Turtle sp. •									
																							Western Painted Turtle					5	2			

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																							• Duskywing sp. •									
																							Dreamy Duskywing				1					
					19																		Perisus Duskywing	19	9							
																							• Skipper sp. •				2					
																							Arctic Skipper									
																							Common Roadside Skipper								1	
																							• Swallowtail sp. •									
			1					3												1			Canadian Tiger Swallowtail	5	1	8	1	37	5	1	10	24
	1					15																• White sp. •	16	17		20	16					
			5													2						Western White	7		1		2		1			
											18					9					2	Cabbage White	29	3	10	14	15	66	17	48	3	
						15					8				x					2		• Sulphur sp. •	26		2	5	1					
			20		9		2								6						5	Clouded sulphur	42	5	8	13	5	16	11		11	
	4																					• Elfin sp. •	4								1	
																						Hoary Elfin										
			1												3	3				1		• Blue sp. •	8		4	1	2		4	6	6	
					2																	Western-tailed Blue	2		1							
																						Spring Azure			1						1	
																					2	Silvery Blue	2		2	1	2			10	1	
																						Melissa Blue			1	2	6					
																						Greenish Blue									7	
					2																	Arctic Blue	2									
																						• Large Fritillary sp. •				1						
																						• Small Fritillary sp. •									2	
						1																Meadow Fritillary	1								8	
																						• Crescent sp. •									2	
	2																					Gorgone Checkerspot	2								1	
																						Pearl Crescent									1	
																						Northern Crescent					1					
																						• Comma sp. •				1						
																						Satyr Comma									1	
																						Gray Comma										
																						Compton Tortoiseshell										
			1		1																	Mourning Cloak	2	2	10	5	5	1		4	1	
	2																					Milbert's Tortoiseshell	2									
																						Painted Lady										
																						Red Admiral		1							1	
																						White Admiral										
																						• Satyr sp. •										
					2											1						Common Ringlet	3			1		2		1	3	14
																						Red-disked Alpine				1						
																						Common Alpine									9	
																						• Arctic sp. •										

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Rural	Rural	Rural	Rural	Rural	Rural	Rural	Rural	Rural	Rural	Rural	City	City	City	City	City	City	City	City	City	City	City	City	Species	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
NE1	NE2	SE1	SE2a	SE2b	SE2c	SE2d	SW1	SW2	NW1	NW2	SW	NW	C	N	NE1	NE2	U	SE-1	SE2	S	S-C	E		5/24	5/25	5/27	5/28	5/29-30	5/30	5/25	5/26	5/27
																							Uhler's Arctic								1	
																							Monarch									
										x													Tent Caterpillar	1								
																							Hummingbird Moth									
																							Cricket									
							13																Oblique-lined Tiger Beetle	13		1						
												10											• Grasshopper sp. •									
										x		13											Wood Tick	14	42	5	12		4		15	35
																1							Bald-faced Hornet	1								
												1											• Bumblebee sp. •	1								
																							• Dragonfly sp. •				1		1			
																							Spiny Baskettail								4	
																							Variegated Meadowhawk									
																							Four-Spotted Skimmer									1
																							• Damselfly sp. •									
																							Prairie Bluet									
												1											• Lacewing sp. •	1								