

## Gadwall

**MC:** 665, HL, 31 Jan (KAM); 307, HLCA, 19 Dec (VK, KJM); 246, Chau, 21 Dec (KJM, A&DM); 108, Des Plaines Conservation Area (Will Co), 22 Feb (DJS); 40, Lockport (Will Co), 18 Jan (CA). **Others:** 160, Mermet L, 25 Jan (KAM); 116, UCCA, 20 Dec (VK, KJM, JF); 50, Rend L, 29 Dec (DK); 16, Quiver Creek (Mason Co), 12 Jan (LLH); 15, Shabbona L SP (De Kalb Co), 21 Dec (DJS); 10, L&D#13 (Whiteside Co), 18 Dec (KJM); 6, Marissa (St. Clair Co), 1 Jan (DK); 4 (2 pr), JP, 21 Feb (PC, KC); 3, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe (Cook Co), all winter (EW, m.ob); 2, Calumet P, LCal, 19 Jan (CM); 2, Wauk., 1 Feb (PS). Somewhat less numerous this winter.

## American Wigeon

**MC:** 25, Pulaski Co, 22 Feb (KAM, DK, FB); 14, UCCA, 20 Dec (VK, KJM, JF). **Others:** 11, Mermet L, 31 Dec (FB); 4, Rend L, 14 Dec (KAM, CL); 3, Channahon (Will Co), 1 Jan (DFS); 2, Chau, 19 Dec (R&SBj); 2 (pr), Du Page Co, 25 Dec (R&KF); 2 (pr), North Point Marina (Lake Co), 25 Jan (PS); HL, 2 Feb> (FH); Carl.L, 8 Feb (DK). Substantially lower numbers this winter.

## American Black Duck

**MC:** 110, Rend L, 14 Dec (KAM, CL); 108, Chau, 1 Jan (R&SBj); 100, Carroll Co, 18 Dec (EA, DW); 100, Carl.L, 8-9 Feb (DK); 27, Rkfd, 15 Dec (DTW). **Others:** 20, La Salle Co Wildlife Area (La Salle Co), 11 Jan (MBC); 16, UCCA, 20 Dec (VK, KJM, JF); 12, Shabbona L SP (De Kalb Co), 21 Dec (DJS); 10, Davenport (Rock Island Co), 15 Dec (KJM, m.ob); 8, HLCA, 19 Dec (VK, KJM); 6, Wolf L, LCal, 21 Feb (CM); 5, Chi, 7 Dec (AA); 4, Evanston (Cook Co), all winter (EW); 4, Wauk., 11 Dec (KAM); 2, Mermet L, 31 Dec (FB); 2, LVmnl, 4 Jan (KJM, MW); Spoon L (Knox Co), 12 Dec (DJM). Occurred in fairly normal numbers.

## Mallard

**MC:** 50,000, Carl.L, 17 Dec (DK); 30,178, Chau, 19 Dec (R&SBj); 14,300, Rend L, 14 Dec (KAM, CL); 6478, Clear L (Mason Co), 1 Jan (R&SBj); 5000, La Salle Co, 26 Jan (GW); 1401, Carroll Co, 18 Dec (EA, DW). **Others:** 10,000, Carl.L, 12 Jan (DK); 3000, UCCA, 25 Jan (KAM); 1092, Rock Island Co, 15 Dec (KJM, m.ob); 576, Whiteside & Lee Cos, 5 Jan (J&SB); 512, HLCA, 19 Dec (VK, KJM); 202, IVmnl, 4 Jan (KJM, MW). Considerably fewer birds were encountered, especially in traditional central and southern concentration sites. Undoubtedly, the lack of aerial waterfowl survey data helps explain the lower counts.

## Northern Shoveler

**MC:** 37, Clear L (Mason Co), 6 Feb (R&SBj); 31, HLCA, 19 Dec (VK, KJM); 18, Chau, 21 Dec (KJM, A&DM). **Others:** 12, UCCA, 20 Dec (VK, KJM, JF); 12, HL, 29 Jan (KAM); 10, Carl.L, 29 Dec (DK); 6, Mermet L, 31 Dec (FB); 3, L&D#13 (Whiteside Co), 18 Dec (KJM); male, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe (Cook Co), all winter (EW, m.ob); Chi, 5 Feb (AA). Occurred in greatly reduced numbers this winter.

## Northern Pintail

**MC:** 1500, Carl.L, 9 Feb (DK); 500, Johnson Co, 22 Feb (KAM, FB, DK). **Others:** 150, HL, 18 Feb (FH); 65, Rend L, 3 Jan (FB); 31, HLCA, 19 Dec (VK, KJM); 6, Chau, 8 Jan (LLH); 5, CrabOr, 29 Dec (UG); 4, Chau, 27 Feb (R&SBj); 2, UCCA, 20 Dec (VK, KJM, JF); 2, Rock Island Co, 26 Dec (KJM). Greatly reduced numbers, especially in traditional central and southern locations.

## Green-winged Teal

**MC:** 215, HL, 15 Dec< (FH); 100, HLCA, 19 Dec (VK, KJM); 100, Johnson Co, 22 Feb (KAM, DK, FB). **Others:** 32, Rend L, 14 Dec (KAM, CL); 12, UCCA, 20 Dec (VK, KJM, JF); 7, Mermet L, 31 Dec (FB); 6, Carl.L, 8 Feb (DK); 3, Hidden L FP (Du Page Co), 23 Dec (UG); 3, Kendall Co, 29 Dec (DFS); 2, CrabOr, 29 Dec (UG); 2, Ottawa (La Salle Co), 8 Feb (DJS); male, M.Arb., all winter (EW, m.ob); male, Barstow (Rock Island Co), 15 Dec (KJM, SBH, BC); male, Chau, 8 Jan (LLH). Considerably fewer individuals overwintered.

## Canvasback

**MC:** 5000, Rend L, 28 Feb (LdS); 4000, Carl.L, 9 Feb (DK); 3000, Carl.L, 12 Jan (DK); 59, Chau, 27 Feb (R&SBj). **Others:** 750, HL, 23 Feb (FH); 500, Jersey Co, 16 Feb (KAM); 200, Rend L, 14 Dec (DK); 30, LSpfld, 13 Feb (DFS); 21, Mermet L, 31 Dec (FB); 8, L&D#14 (Rock Island Co), 15 Dec

(KJM, SBH, BC); 2, JP, 25 Dec (KJM, JG, m.ob); 2 males, Calumet P, LCal, 9 Feb (CM); 2, Ottawa (La Salle Co), 9 Feb (DJS); 2 males, North Point Marina (Lake Co), 21-22 Feb (PS). More numerous in the south and far less common in the northern and central regions.

## Redhead

**MC:** 73, Evanston (Cook Co), 28 Dec (EW, WS); 38 (30 male, 8 female), North Point Marina (Lake Co), 20 Feb (PS). **Others:** 16 (11 male, 5 female), JP, 20 Feb (EW); 15, Wolf L, LCal, 27 Feb (CM); 6, Mermet L, 6 Jan (FB); 2 males, Seneca (La Salle Co), 27 Jan (DJS); 2, HL, 31 Jan (KAM); 2 males, Jasper Co, 13 Feb> (LH, BS); L&D#13 (Whiteside Co), 18 Dec (KJM); male, Carl.L, 2 Jan (DK); Rend L, 20 Jan (DK). Found in lower numbers, especially in the north.

## Ring-necked Duck

**MC:** 1200, HL, 31 Jan (KAM); 802, UCCA, 20 Dec (VK, KJM, JF); 187, Mason Co, 6 Feb (R&SBj); 29, LtCal.R, 28 Dec (WM, SH). **Others:** 700, Mermet L, 25 Jan (KAM); 500, Carl.L, 23 Feb (DK); 3, Chi, 25 Dec (KJM); 2, Batavia (Kane Co), 23 Feb (UG); female, GrtLakes, 1 Jan (PS); Ottawa (La Salle Co), 8 Feb (DJS). Somewhat less numerous and far less distributed throughout the state.

## Greater Scaup

**MC:** 2000, Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co), 29 Dec (KAM); 890, Highland P (Lake Co), 28 Dec (EW, WS). **Others:** 510, Wilmette (Cook Co), 28 Dec (EW, WS); 125, LCal, 25 Jan (EW); 10, Carl.L, 21 Dec & 12 Jan (DK); 6, Rend L, 25 Jan (KAM); 4, East Fork L (Richland Co), 22 Dec (LH, BS); 3, Mermet L, 6-19 Jan (FB); HL, 3 Feb> (FH). Nearly normal numbers, and more widely distributed in the southern region.

## Lesser Scaup

**MC:** 600, Mermet L, 31 Dec (KJM); 500, Rend L, 14 Dec (DK); 500, Carl.L, 21 Dec (DK); 300, LtCal.R, 1 Feb (WM); 209, Chau, 27 Feb (R&SBj); 142, L&D#14 (Rock Island Co), 15 Dec (KJM, SBH, BC). **Others:** 150, Alton (Madison Co), 29 Jan (KAM); 26, L&D#13 (Whiteside Co), 18 Dec (KJM); 26, Chau, 21 Dec (KJM, A&DM); 15, UCCA, 20 Dec (VK, KJM, JF); 14 (9 male, 5 female), JP, 21 Feb> (PC, KC); 4, IVmnl, 4 Jan (KJM, MW). Considerably less numerous this winter.

## HARLEQUIN DUCK

female, Wauk., 7-8 Dec (PS); female, Chi, 25 & 28 Feb (AA, JL).

## Surf Scoter

**MC:** 13, Rend L, 18 Dec, 3 & 5 Jan (LdS, DK, FB). **Others:** 4 (1 male, 3 female), IBSP, 21 Dec (PS); 3 imm., JP, 28 Feb (DTW); 2, Spoon L (Knox Co), 18 Dec (DJM); 2, Carl.L, 26 Dec (DK); imm., Jasper Co, 27 Dec (LH, BS).

## White-winged Scoter

**MC:** 8, Evanston (Cook Co), 22 Feb (AA, m.ob). **Others:** 3, IBSP, 1 Jan (GW); ad. male, Mermet L, "bird was apparently shot and checked in later that day"; 31 Dec (FB).

## Black Scoter

3, Rend L, 14 Dec (DK); female, Grant P, Chi, 5 Dec (DFS); Wilmette (Cook Co), 10 Jan (EW); female, Wauk., 20-25 Jan (PS). Fewer than normal encountered.

## Long-tailed Duck

**MC:** 18, Wauk., 1 Feb (PS); 11, Wauk., 11 Dec (KAM). **Others:** 7, Highland P (Lake Co), 28 Dec (EW, WS); 3 (1 male, 2 female), Rend L, 18 Dec, 5 & 8 Jan (LdS, DK, KAM); Wilmette (Cook Co), 28 Dec (WS, EW); male, Carl.L, 26 Jan (DK); male, East Fork L (Richland Co), 23-28 Feb (LH, BS). Fairly typical numbers, but more widespread in the south.

## Bufflehead

**MC:** 42, Rend L, 14 Dec (DK); 31, Chi, 25 Dec (KJM, JG, m.ob); 26, Wauk., 11 Dec (KAM); 7, Chau, 5 Dec (R&SBj). **Others:** 16, Butterworth P (Rock Island Co), 15 Dec (KJM, m.ob); 13, JP, 26 Feb (AA); 5, Rock Island Co, 26 Dec (KJM); 4, Cordova (Rock Island Co), 23 Dec (RN, AM); 2, Mermet L, 31 Dec (FB); 2, Calumet P, LCal, 19 Jan (CM); 2, Carl.L, 8 Feb (DK); 2, Illini SP (La Salle Co), 17 Feb (DJS); female, Spoon L (Knox Co), 1 Dec (DJM); Shabbona L SP (De Kalb Co), 3 Jan (DJS); Madison Co, 13 Jan (FH). Relatively smaller and more dispersed concentrations.