

Carl.L, 15 Dec (KM, CL); 11, Rend L, 20 Dec (TAM, DK); 10, Sangchris L (Sangamon Co), 11 Jan (RJ). Slightly more abundant in the north and central regions, but somewhat less numerous in the south.

#### **Hermit Thrush**

**MC:** 32, Homer L FP (Champaign Co), 20 Dec (SB, JOS); 19, Rend L, 20 Dec (TAM, DK); 8, Massac Co, 31 Dec (KM, DK); 7, Alexander Co, 29 Dec (SB, TH); 7, Union Co, 30 Dec (SB, TH). **Others:** 3, Vermilion Co, 17 Dec (SB); 3, Oakwd Btms, 1 Jan (VL, SJ, m.ob.); 3, Loud Thunder FP (Rock Island Co), 5 Jan (KJM, CB, m.ob.); 2, Mercer Co, 19 Dec (KJM, SH, BC); 2, SRSF, 27 Dec (AM, DM, KJM); 2, Carl.L, 24 Jan (TAM, DK); 2, Mundelein (Lake Co), 7 Feb (SB, SDe); 2, Klehm Arboretum, Rockfd, 15 Feb (AS, MM, EW). This species appeared to be more numerous and widespread.

#### **American Robin**

**MC:** 2049, Jackson Co, 1 Jan (VL, SJ, m.ob.); 419, River Forest (Cook Co), 21 Dec (JA, WM); 389, Champaign Co, 20 Dec (EC, m.ob.); 157, SRSF, 27 Dec (DM, KJM); 150, Carl.L, 19 Jan (DK); 145, M.Ar., 22 Feb (MBC, ES). **Others:** 150, Adams Co, 9 Jan (AD); 148, Rend L, 20 Dec (TAM, DK); 125, Champaign, 2 Feb (SB); 100, O'Fallon (St. Clair Co), 3 Jan (KM); 60, Sangchris L (Sangamon Co), 11 Jan (RJ); 60, Mundelein (Lake Co), 7 Feb (SB, SDe); 40, Chain O Lakes SP (Lake Co), 16 Feb (SB). Considerably more abundant this winter, especially in the north and central regions.

#### **[VARIED THRUSH]**

ad. female, Sangamon Co, 29-30 Dec, 17 Jan.] See photograph.

#### **GRAY CATBIRD**

Moline (Rock Island Co), 14 Dec (\*TM, SF); Champaign Co, 20 Dec (EC); JP, 22 Dec (\*PC); Vermilion Co, 27 Dec (\*MJE); Union Co, 30 Dec (\*KJM, SDi); Iroquois Co Conservation Area (Iroquois Co), 1 Feb (EW).

#### **Northern Mockingbird**

**MC:** 17, Massac Co, 31 Dec (KM, DK); 8, Pulaski Co, 28 Feb (KM, TAM). **Others** (north & central): 2, McDonough Co, 20 Dec (LHn); 2, SRSF, 27 Dec (DM, KJM); Vermilion Co, 17 Dec (EC); Loud Thunder FP (Rock Island Co), 5 Jan (KJM, CB); Johnson Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 21 Feb (EW). Occurred in rather typical abundance.

#### **Brown Thrasher**

**MC:** 5, Champaign Co, 20 Dec (EC, m.ob.); 4, Jackson Co, 1 Jan (VL, SJ, m.ob.); 2, Alexander Co, 29 Dec (SB, TH); 2, Richland Co, 20 Dec (LHn). **Others:** MdFrk Vmln, 14 Dec (SB); UCCA, 30 Dec (KJM, SDi); Massac Co, 31 Dec (KJM, CB); Carl.L, 19 Jan (DK); Beall Woods (Wabash Co), 29 Jan (BS). Fairly typical numbers this winter.

#### **European Starling**

**MC:** 20,000, Carl.L, 1 Jan (DK); 15,000, Massac Co, 31 Dec (KM, DK); 6450, Rend L, 20 Dec (KM, CL); 5000, Kane Co, 20 Dec (ES); 3081, La Salle Co, 28 Dec (KW, JD, KJM); 1578, Champaign Co, 20 Dec (EC, m.ob.); 592, Mercer Co, 19 Dec (KJM, m.ob.). **Others:** 3000, Calhoun Co, 3 Jan (TAM, DK); 1841, QC, 14 Dec (L&CB, m.ob.); 1247, Whiteside & Carroll Cos, 18 Dec (KJM, RS, m.ob.). Smaller numbers reported this winter across Illinois.

#### **American Pipit**

**MC:** 127, Pulaski (Alexander Co), 29 Dec (SB, TH). **Others:** 5, Champaign Co, 20 Dec (EC, m.ob.); Fort Sheridan (Lake Co), 27 Dec (\*GW). See photo in Christmas Bird Count article in this issue.

#### **Cedar Waxwing**

**MC:** 435, Klehm Arboretum, Rockfd, 3 Jan (DW); 200, QC, 14 Dec



*Female Varied Thrush at a residence near the town of Andrew, Fancy Creek Township, Sangamon County. 30 December 2003. Photo by Travis A. Mahan.*

(TM, SF, m.ob.); 161, Vermilion Co, 17 Dec (EC, m.ob.); 144, M.Ar., 13 Dec (EW); 92, Rend L, 20 Dec (TAM, DK); 84, Weinburg-King SP (Schuyler Co), 21 Jan (LLH); 40, Carl.L, 12 Dec (DK). **Others:** 78, Champaign Co, 20 Dec (EC, m.ob.); 71, Clin.L, 14 Dec (RJ); 63, SRSF, 27 Dec (DM, KJM). More abundant in the north and central sections, but less numerous in the south.

#### **ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER**

Fort Sheridan (Lake Co), 27 Dec (\*GW); Mermet L, 19 Jan (FB).

#### **CAPE MAY WARBLER**

male, Elsa (Jersey Co), 20-22 Jan (HT, m.ob.).

#### **Yellow-rumped Warbler**

**MC:** 51, Union Co, 30 Dec (SB, TH); 33, Alexander Co, 29 Dec (SB, TH); 27, M.Ar., 27 Dec (ES); 25, Carl.L, 15 Dec (TAM, DK); 25, Rend L, 20 Dec (TAM, DK); 21, Champaign Co, 20 Dec (EC, m.ob.); 20, Massac Co, 31 Dec (KM, DK); 20, Oakwd Btms, 1 Jan (VL, SJ, m.ob.). **Others:** 13, UCCA, 30 Dec (KJM, SDi); 11, Richland Co, 20 Dec (LHn); 9, Vermilion Co, 17 Dec (SB, m.ob.); 5, Edwards Co, 1 Jan (BS). Considerably more common this winter.

#### **PINE WARBLER**

2, CrabOr, 28 Feb (KM, TAM).

#### **PALM WARBLER**

Jackson Co, 1 Jan (TH); Mermet L, 2 & 23-24 Jan (FB, KM, CL).



*Cedar Waxwing, Morton Arboretum, DuPage County. 13 February 2004. Photo by Eric Walters.*