

Northern Mockingbird

MC: 17, Mermet L CBC, 31 Dec (KM). **Others:** Rend L, 15 Dec (DK); Union Co, 21 Dec (KJM, VK); Shiloh (St.Clair Co), 23 Dec (DK); Pomona, 16 Feb (RSM). Restricted to the southern section of the state.

Brown Thrasher

MC: 8, UCCA, 21 Dec (KJM, VK). **Others:** McLean Co, 15 Dec (TEB, KK, MF); HL, 5 Jan (KM); Normal (McLean Co), 17 Feb (AC); Urbana, 17 Feb (*RC).

European Starling

MC: 10,000, Carl.L., 1 Jan (DK); 8399, Rock Island Co, 22 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 2750, Mermet L CBC, 31 Dec (KM); 2500+, LCal, 22 Dec (WM); 1248, Mercer Co, 18 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 1000, Vermilion Co, all winter (JOS). **Others:** 1950, QC, 16 Dec (C&LB, m.ob.); 1822, Whiteside and Lee Cos, 30 Dec (AT, ET, m.ob.); 1100, Du Page Co, 21 Jan (DFS); 817, Whiteside and Carroll Cos, 20 Dec (KJM, EA, DW); 754, Rock Island Co, 23 Dec (KJM); 289, JP, 2 Jan (PC); 155, Union Co, 21 Dec (KJM, VK).

American Pipit

MC: 150, Carl.L., 27 Dec (DK); 22, Mermet L, 19 Jan (FB). **Others:** 2, Urbana, 15 Dec (*RC); near Meredosia (Morgan Co), 14 Dec (SB, MW). Paul Douglas FP (Cook Co, 6 Jan (CF); JP, 28-29 Jan & 8-11 Feb (*SC, PC, KC). Note: In *The Birds of Illinois*, Bohlen (1989:144) remarks, "...there are few if any true winter records. One flying south near Carlyle Dam, January 7, 1987, ...is the latest winter record." Its wintering status in subsequently published Illinois journals remains vague, and Robinson's (1996:242f.) *Southern Illinois Birds* was unable to confirm overwintering in southern Illinois. This season's record from JP clearly involved a single individual found both before and after a major winter storm at precisely the same site (under the same tree) from 28 Jan-11 Feb; its disappearance correlated with mild temperatures under southwest winds. Data seem to provide a **first published overwintering record for Illinois**, from an unexpected site.

Cedar Waxwing

MC: 477, Klehm Arboretum (Winnebago Co), 29 Dec (DTW); 300, Carl.L., 8 Dec (DK); 100, Cook Co, 16 Dec (PSw); 100, Carl.L. CBC, 18 Dec (KM, SB, CL); 50, MidFk FWA, 5 Jan (RC). **Others:** 83, Rend L, 15 Dec (DK); 70, Blackhawk FP (Kane Co), 12 Feb (JD); 63, QC, 16 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 63, Burnidge FP (Kane Co), 10 Jan (JD); 58, Cordova (Rock Island Co), 19 Dec (KJM); 50, Lee Co, 30 Dec (KJM); 30, Carl.L., 20 Jan (DK); 25, Johnson Co, 6 Jan (KM); 24, Pomona, 24 Feb (RSM); 20, Vernon Hills (Lake Co), 10 Feb (DJ); 19, Kendall Co, 17 Feb (DFS); 13, Mercer Co, 18 Dec (KJM, TM); 9, JP, 28 Jan (PC); 5, Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 19 Jan (DJS). Relatively widespread and abundant throughout the state.

ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER

Union Co, 21 Dec (DFS).

Yellow-rumped Warbler

MC: 180, Pomona, 24 Feb (RSM) — record winter high count excluding CBC data; 43, Carl.L. CBC, 18 Dec (KM, SB, CL); 7, Libertyville (Lake Co), 1 Jan (DJ); 5, Jake Wolf Fish Hatchery (Mason Co), 14 Feb (R&SB); 3, Mercer Co, 18 Dec (KJM). **Others:** 25, Carl.L., 6 Jan (DK); 5, UCCA, 21 Dec (KJM, VK); 2, Urbana, 1-15 Dec (RC, GL); Greene Valley FP (Du Page Co), 25 Dec (AS); M.Arb, 1 Jan (MBC); Hidden L FP (Du Page Co), 20 Jan (UG); Fabyan FP (Kane Co), 14 Feb (JD).

PINE WARBLER

Rend L, 15 Dec (*DK); Lyons Woods FP (Lake Co, 20 Dec, 19 & 25-28 Jan (*RC, SCH, DRD, m.ob.)).

PALM WARBLER

2, Urbana, 1-15 Dec (*RC, GL).

COMMON

YELLOWTHROAT

Female, LCal, 13 Dec (DFS); imm. male, Fermilab CBC (Du Page Co), 15 Dec (*GW); male, Union Co, 21 Dec (DFS).

Spotted Towhee

Female, Urbana, 28 Nov-



Spotted Towhee, 28 November 2001. Champaign, IL. Photo by Carie Nixon.

2 Dec (SB, m.ob.). See photo.

Eastern Towhee

MC: 26, Mermet L CBC, 31 Dec (KM). **Others:** 3, Carl.L., 20 Jan (DK); 2, Rend L, 15 Dec (DK); 2, Kennekuk Cove P (Vermilion Co), 9 Feb (DFS). Restricted almost exclusively to the southern section of the state.

American Tree Sparrow

MC: 320, QC, 16 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 175, De Kalb Co, 2 Feb (DFS); 160, MidFk FWA, 5 Jan (RC); 150, Carl.L., 9 Dec (DK); 150, Winnebago Co, 20 Jan (PSw); 141, Mercer Co, 18 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 31, Rend L CBC, 15 Dec (KM). **Others:** 118, Whiteside and Carroll Cos, 20 Dec (EA, DW, KJM); 111, Whiteside and Lee Cos, 30 Dec (J&SB, m.ob.); 57, Lake Co, 29 Dec (PSw); 23, Nelson L FP (Kane Co), 6 Jan (JD); 20, Carl.L., 28 Jan (KM); 18, Union Co, 21 Dec (KJM, VK). Occurred in relatively low numbers throughout Illinois.

CHIPPING SPARROW

MC: 3, Massac Co, 10 Feb (*FB). **Others:** Durand (Winnebago Co), 15 Dec (*BG, m.ob.), Carl.L., 1 Jan (*DK). One undocumented at McLean Co, 15 Dec.

Field Sparrow

MC: 18, Mermet L CBC, 31 Dec (KM). **Others:** 3, Rend L, 15 Dec (DK); 3, Carl.L., 18 Dec (DK); 3, Union Co, 21 Dec (KJM, VK); Clin.L., 14 Dec (GL, RC). This species occurred in relatively low numbers, and was restricted almost exclusively to southern Illinois.

VESPER SPARROW

1, near Meredosia (Morgan Co), 14 Dec (SB).

Savannah Sparrow

MC: 18, Union Co, 21 Dec (DFS); 2, Towanda (McLean Co), 15 Dec (*MR, WH, CBu). **Others:** Ford Co, 22 Dec (DFS); Carl.L., 13 Jan (DK); Rockford, 20 Jan (DTW).

Fox Sparrow

MC: 22, Allerton P (Piatt Co), 13 Jan (RC); 13, Nelson L FP (Kane Co), 6 Jan (JD); 10, Carl.L., 9 Dec (DK); 8, McLean Co, 15 Dec (TEB, KK, MF); 6, HL, 5 Jan (KM); 4, Hidden L FP (Du Page Co), 31 Dec (UG). **Others:** 3, Afton FP (De Kalb Co), all winter (DJS); 3, Joliet (Will Co), 15 Dec (CA); 3, Milan Bottoms (Rock Island Co), 16 Dec (C&LB); 3, Cook Co, 24 Dec (JA); 3, I&M, 1 Jan (DJS); Rockford, all winter (DTW); Rend L, 15 Dec (DK); Mercer Co, 18 Dec (KJM); Pomona, 23 Dec, 28 Feb (RSM); McHenry Co, 15 Feb (DF); Homer L (Champaign Co), 28 Feb (JOS). Widespread throughout IL.

Song Sparrow

MC: 119, Union Co, 21 Dec (DFS); 110, Carl.L., 9 Dec (DK); 62, QC, 16 Dec (C&LB, m.ob.); 51, Henn.L., 6 Dec (DFS); 40, Urbana, 9 Feb (RC); 36, Mercer Co, 18 Dec (KJM, m.ob.). **Others:** 59, Mermet L CBC, 31 Dec (KM); 23, Whiteside and Carroll Cos, 20 Dec (EA, DW, KJM); 20, Carl.L., 13 Jan (DK); 15, Rend L, 15 Dec (DK); 8, Union Co, 21 Dec (KJM, VK); 8, Lake Co, 29 Dec (PSw); 6, Greene Valley FP (Du Page Co), 30 Dec (UG); 2, JP, 6 Dec (BH); 2, Boone Co, 22 Feb (AB); 2, JP, 25 Feb (PC).

Swamp Sparrow

MC: 85, Carl.L., 18 Dec (DK); 62, Union Co, 21 Dec (DFS, KJM, VK); 8, Lake Co, 29 Dec (PSw); 7, MTwain, 18 Dec (KJM). **Others:** 19, Mermet L CBC, 31 Dec (KM); 16, Rend L CBC, 15 Dec (KM); 10, Carl.L., 13 Jan (DK); 6, Milan Bottoms (Rock Island Co), 16 Dec (C&LB); 6, Whiteside and Carroll Cos, 20 Dec (EA, DW, KJM); 6, I&M, 1 Jan (DJS); 5, Timber Ridge FP (Du Page Co), 15 Dec (UG); 2, Cook Co, 13 Jan (PSw); Garden Prairie (Boone Co), 1 Jan (DFS); Lockport (Will Co), 5 Jan (UG); Browning (Schuyler Co), 9 Jan (LLH); Afton FP (De Kalb Co), 19 Jan (UG). More widespread than usual in the north.

White-throated Sparrow

MC: 189, Union Co, 21 Dec (KJM, VK); 144, Mermet L CBC, 31 Dec (KM); 30, QC, 16 Dec (C&LB, m.ob.); 28, Klehm Arboretum (Winnebago Co), all winter (DTW); 5, Mercer Co, 18 Dec (KJM). **Others:** 40, Rend L, 15 Dec (DK); 20, Carl.L., 21 Jan (DK); 13, Pomona, 6 Jan (RSM); 10, Lake Co, 29 Dec (PSw); 9, I&M, 1 Jan (DJS); 8, Nelson L FP (Kane Co), 6 Jan (JD); 6, Green R CA (Lee Co), 30 Dec (KJM); 6, Afton FP (De Kalb Co), 13 Jan (DJS); 6, Cook Co, 23 Jan (PSw); 5, Du Page Co, 6 Jan (PSw); 3, Johnson Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 1 Feb