Jan (CSF); Perdueville (Ford Co), 7 Feb (RC); JP, 9 Feb> (PC).

Le Conte's Sparrow
MC : 14, Grassy Slough (Johnson Co), 8 Dec (FB); 7, Carl.L, 19 Dec (DK, WR). **Others**: HL, 3-10 Dec (*FH); Nachusa Grasslands (Lee Co), 9 Dec< (EW); 2, Jackson Co, 16 Dec (LS); 3, Mermet L, 30 Dec (KM, DK); 2, Grassy Slough (Johnson Co), 17 Feb (FB).

Fox Sparrow
MC : 5, Rend L, 23 Dec (KM, RZ); 5, Union Co, 29 Dec (KM, DK); 3, Bureau Co, 9 Dec (DFS). **Others**: 2, Rockford (Winnebago Co), all winter (DTW); Woodford Co, 1 Dec< (MF); Vermilion Co, 2 Dec (JOS); near Fulton (Whiteside Co), 14 Dec (KJM); 2, Seneca (La Salle Co), 17 Dec (DJS); Bloom., 17 Dec (DBi); 2, Carl.L, 19 Dec (DK); Joliet (Will Co), 30-31 Dec (CA); Putnam Co, 1 Jan (C& JMc); IBSP, 7 Jan(AS); Cook Co, 23 Jan (CSF); HL, 25 Feb (FH).

Song Sparrow
MC : **370**, Union Co, 30 Dec (DFS) — highest single-observer winter count for state; 104, Rock Island Co, 17 Dec (TM, SF, m.ob.); 96, Keithsburg to New Boston (Mercer Co), 20 Dec (KJM, TM, SF). **Others**: 28, Bureau Co, 9 Dec (DFS); 26, Fulton to Savanna (Whiteside, Carroll Cos), 14 Dec (EA, PS, m.ob.); 75, Urbana, 16 Dec (RC); 6, Barrington Hills (Cook Co), 18 Dec (AA); 102, Rend L, 23 Dec (KM, RZ); 16, Ogle Co, 23 Dec (EW, KW, DJS); 96, HLCA, 28 Dec (KM, DK, CT); 95, Mermet L, 30 Dec (KM, DK); JP, 9 Feb> (PC).

Lincoln's Sparrow
Argo Fay Rd. (Carroll Co), 14 Dec< (*KJM); 2, Metropolis (Massac Co), 30 Dec (*DK).

Swamp Sparrow
MC : 103, Union Co, 30 Dec (DFS); 72, Mermet L, 30 Dec (KM, DK); 19, County Line Marsh (Rock Island Co), 19 Dec (RN, KJM). **Others**: 22, Carl.L, 10 Dec (DK); 3, Rock Island Co, 17 Dec (CB, LB, KJM); Hoffman Estates (Cook Co), 18 Dec (AA); Mark Twain NWR, Keithsburg Division (Mercer Co), 20 Dec (KJM); Downers Grove (Du Page Co), 24 Feb (UG).

White-throated Sparrow
MC : 158, HLCA, 28 Dec (KM, DK, CT); 50, Carl.L, 14 Dec (DK); 32, Loud Thunder FP (Rock Island Co), 26 Dec (KJM); 17, Wilmington (Will Co), 31 Dec (CA); 15, Urbana, 16 Dec (RC). **Others**: 12, Klehm Arb, all winter (DTW); 25, Bureau Co, 9 Dec (DFS); 3, Bushnell (McDonough Co), 16 Dec (LH — one found dead 28 Dec; current status of specimen not reported); 16, Rock Island Co, 17 Dec (CB, LB); 15, Rock R valley (Ogle Co), 23 Dec (EW, KW, DJS); 10, Downers Grove (Du Page Co), 13 Jan (UG); 14, Chi, 17 Jan (DFS); 3, Kane Co, 20 Jan (UG); 2, Somonauk (De Kalb Co), 3 Feb (UG); 13, Peoria (Peoria Co), 17 Feb (AA).

Harris's Sparrow
2, Bloom., 1 Dec - 2 Jan (HH, MLR, DBi); Shattuc (Clinton Co), 19 Dec - 1 Jan (*DK); HL, 23 Dec (FH); imm., Kankakee Co, 26 Dec (DFS); imm., Sangchris L SP (Christian/Sangamon Cos), 12 Jan (KM); ad., Carl.L, 22 Jan & 24 Feb (KM, DK). Near-record numbers this season.

White-crowned Sparrow
MC : **115**, Mermet L, 30 Dec (KM, DK); 40, Carl.L, 24 Feb (DK); 25, McDonough Co, 16 Dec (LH); 25, Wilmington (Will Co), 31 Dec (CA); 9, Bureau Co, 9 Dec (DFS); 8, near Keithsburg (Mercer Co), 20 Dec (KJM, TM, SF). **Others**: near Argo Fay (Carroll Co), 14 Dec (KJM); 7, Urbana, 16 Dec (RC); 5, Seneca (La Salle Co), 17 Dec (DJS); 2, Kankakee Co, 26 Dec (DFS); 8, Green R CA (Lee Co), 30 Dec (KJM, JB, SB); 26, Carl.L, 6 Jan (KM); imm., Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe (Cook Co), 21 Jan (AS); 2, De Kalb Co, 3 Feb (UG).

Dark-eyed Junco
MC : **1432**, Keithsburg to New Boston (Mercer Co), 20 Dec (TM, SF, m.ob.); 640, Rock Falls, 30 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 171, Carl.L, 19 Dec (KM). **Others**: 265, Bureau Co, 9 Dec (DFS); 599, Fulton to Savanna (Whiteside, Carroll Cos), 14 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 469, Rock Island Co, 17 Dec (CB, LB, m.ob.); 144, Rend L, 23 Dec (KM, RZ); 15, JP, 4 Feb (PC, BH); 15, Bushnell (McDonough Co), 7 Feb (LH). **"Oregon" Junco**: 2, Woodford Co, 7 Dec - 26 Feb (*MF); McLean Co, 17 Dec - 28 Feb (MLR); male, Urbana, 1 Jan (RC).

Lapland Longspur
MC : 500, Urbana, 6 Jan (RC); 500, Carl.L, 21 Jan (DK); 260, Keithsburg to New Boston (Mercer Co), 20 Dec (KJM); 207, Rend L, 23 Dec (KM); 145, Fulton to Savanna (Whiteside, Carroll Cos), 14 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 102, De Kalb Co, 16 Dec (DJS). **Others**: 100, McLean Co, 1 Dec (MLR, TK); 2, Du Page Co, 2 Dec (UG); 109, McDonough Co, 16 Dec (LH); 58, Franklin Co, 16 Dec (LS); 128, Seneca (La Salle Co), 17 Dec (DJS); 39, Rock Island Co, 23 Dec (KJM, SHa); 170, Kankakee Co, 26 Dec (DFS); 61, Union Co, 30 Dec (DFS); 20, Durand (Winnebago Co), 14 Jan (DTW); 24, McHenryCo, 30 Jan (CSF).

Snow Bunting
MC : 200, Winnebago Co, 1 Jan (DTW); 112, De Kalb Co, 28 Dec (DJS); 60, Emden (Logan Co), 13 Jan (RC, m.ob.); 4, Highway 127 (Washington Co), 1 Jan (DK). **Others**: 52, Fulton to Savanna (Whiteside, Carroll Cos), 14 Dec (EA, PS, m.ob.); 9, JP, 16 Dec< (GD); 4, Batavia (Kane Co), 16 Dec (MBC); 123, Keithsburg to New Boston (Mercer Co), 20 Dec (TM, SF, m.ob.); 7, IBSP, 24 Dec (AS); 52, Rock Island Co, 26 Dec (JS, DF); 21, Kankakee Co, 26 Dec (DFS); 47, Rock Falls, 30 Dec (JS, DF,KJM); 48, La Salle L, 20 Jan (C&JMc); 5, McDonough Co, 26 Jan (LH).

Northern Cardinal
MC : 226, Rock Island Co, 26 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 174, Keithsburg to New Boston (Mercer Co), 20 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 123, Union Co, 29 Dec (DFS). **Others**: 115, Bureau Co, 9 Dec (DFS); 111, Fulton to Savanna (Whiteside, Carroll Cos), 14 Dec (KJM, m.ob.); 70, Urbana, 16 Dec (RC); 74, Carl.L, 19 Dec (KM); 86, Ogle Co, 23 Dec (EW, KW, DJS); 73, HLCA, 28 Dec (KM, DK, CT); 5, JP, 26 Feb (PC).

Red-winged Blackbird
MC : **125,150**, Rend L, 23 Dec (KM); 5000, Carl.L, 24 Feb (DK); 331, Rock Island Co, 17 Dec (KJM); 50, Vermilion Co, 8 Jan (JOS). **Others**: 2, Urbana, 1 Jan (RC); 2, Hidden L FP (Du Page Co), 6 Jan (UG); 300, Carl.L, 21 Jan (DK); 2, JP, 8 Feb> (BH); 50, Bloom., 10 Feb (JSt).

Eastern Meadowlark
MC : 41, McDonough Co, 16 Dec (LH); 37, Mermet L, 30 Dec (KM, DK); 6, De Kalb Co, 16 Dec (DJS). **Others**: Springbrook Prairie FP (Du Page Co), 2 Dec (UG); 21, Urbana, 16 Dec (RC); 2, Seneca (La Salle Co), 17 Dec (DJS); 30, Carl.L, 21 Dec (DK); 2, St. Clair Co, 3 Jan (TUM).

Western Meadowlark
2, Winnebago Co, 16 Dec (DTW — 1 still present on 7 Jan).

YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD
male, Metropolis (Massac Co), **30 Dec** (*DK); 2 (ad.), Massac Co, **7-8 Jan** (FB); male, Bischoff Rd. (Madison Co), 22 Jan (*DB); 1st male, **Grundy Co**, **27 Jan** (*DFS). **Highest winter season total for Illinois.**



Rusty Blackbird. 24 December 2000. Lake Sangchris. Sangamon Co. Photo by Dennis Oehmke.

Rusty Blackbird
MC : 200, Sante Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co), 25 Feb (DK); 52, Union Co, 29 Dec (KM, DK); 50, Bloom., 10 Feb (JSt). **Others**: Seneca (La Salle Co), 17 Dec (DJS); 15, Urbana, 1 Jan (RC); 2, Wolf L, LCal, 9 Jan (DFS); 10, Carl.L, 21 Jan (DK); Grundy Co, 4 Feb (C&JMc); 12, Mermet L, 12 Feb (KM).

Brewer's Blackbird
2, Vermilion Co, 3 Dec (JOS); Champaign Co, 13 Dec (JOS); Seneca (La Salle Co), 17 Dec (*DJS); Urbana, 25 Feb> (RC); 2 (male), Fermi, 28 Feb (GW).