

or more species (See Table 2).

Highlights

The 1994 count set 47 new records and tied 31 former records. Some of the more significant new state and county high counts include the following (former high and year are noted in parentheses): 78 American White Pelicans (16, 1992), 40 in Hancock (14, 1992); 11 Snowy Egrets (10, 2 years); 699 Cattle Egrets, St. Clair (187, 1985); and 3 Trumpeter Swans in Cook, a new exotic species for the count (See Table 3, pp. 130-132). Researchers in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan have been releasing swans for introduction in those states; therefore, the countability of these birds is questionable.

Other noteworthy observations include 12,129 Canada Geese (10,643, 1992); 8,429 Mallards (7,306, 1991); 29,243 Ring-billed Gulls (19,263, 1993), 21,500 Cook (16,274, 1993); one Lesser Black-backed Gull, new species to the count; 3 Barn Owls (2, 2 years), 3 Pulaski (2 counties); 7,924 Northern Rough-winged Swallows (6,880, 1987), 1,627 Alexander (1575, 1983); 4,163 White-crowned Sparrows (4,136, 1983) (Table 3, pp. 130-132).

Observers submitted 108 documentations to support rare and out-of-season reports. Several were supported with drawings and photos. There were also many comments and explanations concerning local situations. All of these were much appreciated by the compiler and will be useful for future researchers. Besides out-of-season birds, there were few rarities. They include 1 White-faced Ibis (Franklin), 3rd year; 1 Cinnamon Teal (La Salle), 3rd year; 1 Yellow Rail (Jasper), 11th year; 1 Bullock's race of the Northern Oriole (Macon). All of these were well-documented.

Common Species

Red-winged Blackbird and Common Grackle were at the top of the list of 20 most common species, as usual,

and were within 1,000 of last year's figures (Table 4, p. 132). Because of a low starling count, American Robin jumped to third place. A record high count of Ring-billed Gulls was observed while House Sparrow slipped

TABLE 2
County Statistics

County	Area	No. of Species	No. of Birds	No. of Observers	Parties	Party Miles	Party Hours	Compiler
Adams+	3	141	9,608	15	6	14/388	21/39	A.Dierkes
Alexander	1	113	5,080	9	3	1/131	6/13	I.Domazlicky
Bond	2	75	2,440	3	1	2/160	4/9	C.Marbut
Boone*	4	107	12,315	37	24	73/377	61/44	A.Brei
Brown	3	108	1,361	1	1	3/50	6/2	M.Ward
Bureau	4	55	468	3	1	2/42	2/4	S.Shipp
Calhoun	2	129	11,374	12	6	5/80	9/35	W.Sutherland
Carroll+	4	142	4,243	4	3	14/237	19/19	J.Baughman
Cass	3	125	3,443	1	1	2/145	2/10	R.Randall
Champaign*+	3	142	9,065	27	16	41/344	60/30	H.Parker
Christian	2	125	2,731	4	3	12/188	20/5	C.Olson
Clark	2	60	2,340	7	5	4/63	4/17	D.Clem
Clay	2	71	804	3	2	4/127	5/8	T.Esker
Clinton+	2	143	6,252	7	3	35/270	18/11	R.Hayes
Coles	2	136	3,903	18	9	22/46	33/5	B.Hunt
Cook*+	4	178	43,643	92	35	185/385	204/35	D.Mandell
Crawford*	2	114	6,932	26	12	22/356	22/47	D.Schuur
Cumberland	2	113	2,929	8	5	13/110	22/7	L.Thorsen
De Kalb	4	105	5,594	10	6	23/459	18/44	D.Shambaugh
De Witt	3	120	3,272	9	6	19/287	25/23	Mil-Ishmael
Douglas	2	118	4,851	12	6	15/160	14/18	R.Szafoni
Du Page*+	4	154	21,426	102	32	180/298	196/32	D.Blewett
Edgar	2	96	5,910	18	8	16/294	21/40	R.Steidl
Edwards	1	98	5,556	8	3	7/123	7/28	E.Michels
Effingham	2	49	482	3	1	3/40	6/5	Luchtefeld
Fayette	2	85	1,168	7	6	11/51	17/6	A.W.Jones
Ford	3	65	1,187	3	2	6/69	13/7	L.David
Franklin+	1	143	3,230	2	2	14/230	16/14	R.Danley
Fulton	3	108	6,852	12	5	9/354	15/33	V.Humphreys
Gallatin	1	97	857	1	1	6/95	8/6	R.Bradley
Greene	2	104	1,755	5	1	4/61	6/4	Wuestenfeld
Grundy	4	71	1,595	11	6	7/139	9/14	B.Crane
Hamilton	1	105	1,777	6	5	14/178	22/17	H.Clark
Hancock	3	139	5,867	12	5	18/489	12/42	B.Roberts
Hardin	1	59	286	2	1	2/45	1/8	E.Steward
Henderson	3	112	1,536	5	2	6/161	10/15	C.Leh
Henry	4	106	2,652	8	4	6/188	7/8	R.Nyboer
Iroquois	3	117	2,865	12	5	19/185	44/7	R.Dannehl
Jackson	1	131	3,499	3	1	4/97	5/8	P.Biggers
Jasper	2	98	667	2	1	2/110	6/6	S.Simpson
Jefferson	1	85	1,019	4	1	0/92	0/7	F.Glass
Jersey	2	113	2,993	8	2	4/107	5/13	G.Ives
Jo Daviess	4	123	10,183	23	6	18/547	14/53	L.Dufford
Johnson	1	90	1,048	2	1	5/47	10/2	R.Boehmer
Kane*	4	136	9,744	32	17	58/304	82/26	Montgomery
Kankakee	4	87	2,579	15	5	14/124	18/9	E.Aubertin
Kendall	4	89	4,599	19	9	25/357	31/30	M.Gossmann
Knox+	3	145	6,816	15	9	31/615	32/48	M.Baum
Lake*+	4	174	19,782	40	34	102/499	149/20	D.Diaz
La Salle+	4	156	11,518	30	13	68/790	80/51	J.McKee
Lawrence	2	92	1,195	2	1	4/125	7/5	J.Garner
Lee	4	116	3,399	8	5	18/339	19/27	J.Bivins
Livingston	3	98	2,531	14	?	16/25	22/5	J.Johst