

**TABLE 3**  
**Species List, cont.**

Species	Total # of Counties	Total # of Birds	High County	Total # for High County
Am. Tree Sparrow	2	2	Two counties	(1)
Chipping Sparrow	97*	3,610	McDonough	(292)
Clay-color. Sparrow	2	2	Two counties	(1)
Field Sparrow+	96	2,373	Will	(125)
Vesper Sparrow	55	252	La Salle	(36)
Lark Sparrow	26	148	Mason	(28)
Savannah Sparrow	58	541	Du Page	(84)
Grasshopper Sparrow	69	429	Mason	(38)
Henslow's Sparrow	2	6	Two counties	(3)
Le Conte's Sparrow	1	1	Pike	(1)
Sharp-tail Sparrow	1	1	Macon	(1)
Fox Sparrow	3	3	Three counties	(3)
Song Sparrow+	97	5,333	Du Page	(513)
Lincoln's Sparrow	30	155	Cook	(21)
Swamp Sparrow	66	909	Lake	(109)
White-throated Sparrow+	92	4,738	Cook	(470)
White-crowned Sparrow+	93#	4,163*	Champaign	(313)
Harris' Sparrow	1	1	Pike	(1)
Dark-eyed Junco	7	13	Three counties	(3)
Lapland Longspur	2	4	Knox	(3)
Bobolink	77*	3,148	Calhoun	(384)
Red-winged Blackbird+	98	54,840	Du Page	(3,197)
Eastern Meadowlark+	99	6,808	McDonough	(369)
Western Meadowlark	29*	190	Henry	(26)
Yel-head. Blackbird	11	148	Cook	(35)
Rusty Blackbird	1	8	Rock Island	(8)
Brewer's Blackbird	1	4	Lake	(4)
Common Grackle+	99	36,708	Boone	(1811)
Brown-headed Cowbird+	99	8,278	Jo Daviess	(506)
Orchard Oriole	65	242	Union	(38)
Northern Oriole+	97	2,477	Mason	(130)
Purple Finch	49	507	Livingston	(50)
House Finch+	90#	3,824	Du Page	(241)
Pine Siskin	28	90	Du Page	(10)
American Goldfinch+	99	8,466	Du Page	(553)
Evening Grosbeak	4	14	Saline	(10)
House Sparrow+	99	23,279	Boone	(1,444)
Euras. Tree Sparrow	21	324	Schuyler	(55)
# Ties Previous High Counts	22	4		5
* New High Counts	17	18		12

+ denotes species reported from 89 or more counties (90 percent)

Supplemental Records:

[Trumpeter Swan]	1*	3*	Cook	*(3)
[Bullock's Oriole]	1*	1*	Macon	*(1)

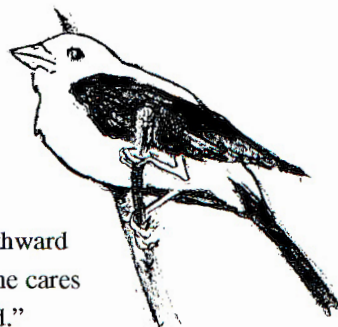
**TABLE 4**  
**20 Most Common SBC Species**

Species	1994	Highest Count	# Years in top 20
Red-winged Blackbird	54,840	63,974 (1991)	23
Common Grackle	36,708	59,264 (1974)	23
American Robin	31,010	34,874 (1989)	23
European Starling	29,452	37,736 (1992)	23
Ring-billed Gull	29,243	*29,243 (1994)	10
House Sparrow	23,279	31,321 (1983)	23
Tree Swallow	19,436	24,573 (1989)	10
Barn Swallow	17,524	18,156 (1983)	23
Canada Goose	12,129	*12,129 (1994)	9
Northern Cardinal	9,750	11,427 (1992)	23
Mourning Dove	9,148	11,377 (1990)	23
American Crow	9,041	13,226 (1991)	23
Chimney Swift	8,772	9,987 (1983)	22
American Goldfinch	8,466	13,788 (1990)	22
Mallard	8,429	*8,429 (1994)	14
Brown-headed Cowbird	8,278	11,831 (1992)	22
No. Rough-winged Swallow	7,924	*7,924 (1994)	4
Blue Jay	7,465	13,446 (1984)	23
Eastern Meadowlark	6,808	7,720 (1992)	18
Yellow-rumped Warbler	6,209	14,746 (1989)	12

\* = New High Count

**“Listen!**

When you step over your threshold  
in the morning to pick up the newspaper,  
stop a moment, straighten, and listen to the  
birds. Across the street, in the maples, a scarlet  
tanager is calling. Freshly come out of the  
tropics, he pauses  
on your street  
a week,  
a day,  
sometimes  
just an hour,  
before he wings northward  
to the raptures and the cares  
of the mating ground.”



--Donald Culross Peattie from “A Cup of Sky”