

the state) had to be excluded from the report. With the aforementioned exclusions, the number of species printed in Table 8 for some counties may be lower than submitted by the county compilers.

Economic Considerations. For the third year I'm including an economic estimate of what birders donate by participating in the Spring Bird Count. As mentioned previously, birders spend a great deal of time and money in pursuit of birds and provide a significant impact to the local economy. It's still impossible to get (or give) exact figures and I'm still waiting for someone to suggest other meaningful figures. However, I'm going to continue

using the three arbitrary standards and designated "values" initiated in 2006: 1) an "average" value for a person's time - \$18/hour; 2) the price of gasoline (which, in 2008, averaged \$4 per gallon on Count Day) or the mileage reimbursement rate for using a vehicle (40 cents per mile); and 3) the cost of food and drink (average of \$16 per person). And, as before, there are several other figures that could and should be included in this compilation, i.e., motels or other overnight accommodations, variable pre- and post-count expenses, unrecorded mileage to and from the count site, equipment, apparel, etc. However, we'll keep it simple (if that is possible).

1) 1,323 participants times an average of \$16 for food/drink consumption = \$ 21,000

2) an average of 7.6 participation hours per person (1323) times \$18 per hour [7.6 is based on 5021 daylight party hours x 2.0 persons per party + nocturnal party hours] \$181,000

3) 22,284 miles driven times \$0.40 per mile = \$ 9,000

(or, alternative: about 24,000 miles at 20 miles per gallon times \$4 per gallon = \$4,800)

Therefore, based on the above computations, plus the added time and mileage required for everyone to drive to and from the count site,

TABLE 8: 2008 County Statistics (continued)

County	Number of		Number of			T I M E Start-End	Miles W/D	Hours W/D	County Compiler
	Area	Sp.	Birds	Obs.	Ptys				
Henry	4	100	4,271	3	2	*0440-1930	5-257	5½-15½	Ed Anderson
Iroquois	3	105	2,955	14	11	*0500-2030	26¾-73	38-10¼	Robert Dannehl
Jackson	1	155	6,035	9	6	*0300-2045*	13¼-371	20-39¾	Rhonda Rothrock
Jasper	2	88	1,245	3	1	*0500-1700	2-122	8-4	Scott Simpson
Jefferson	1	95	1,599	3	2	*0420-1855	2¼-112¼	6½-5 ½	Anne Bothe
Jersey	2	129	5,295	24	7	*0000-1715	14-104	15-18	Mary Jane Hoff
Jo Daviess	4	140	10,638	25	7	*0430-2130*	22¼-558	14¼-57½	Grace Storch
Johnson	1	136	2,214	9	3	0530-2030	5½-209	10-22½	Ray Boehmer
Kane	4	158	17,937	36	19	*0415-2100*	118¾-416¼	140½-48	Jon Duerr
Kankakee	4	146	7,282	21	11	*0345-2000	39-330	51-20	Etta Aubertin
Kendall	4	133	3,498	23	7	*0430-2000	32½-97¼	49-3¾	Keith Johnson
Knox	3	150	6,366	22	15	*0150-2100*	31½-561	36¾-44½	Phil Reyburn
Lake	4	184	17,371	41	22	*0300-2000	106-465½	148½-22	Joel Greenberg
La Salle	4	160	13,143	26	14	*0345-2030	53-821¼	58½-66½	John McKee
Lawrence	2	132	2,942	6	3	0515-2030	6-330	7¼-28¾	Julie St. John
Lee	4	115	2,703	10	5	0530-1930	9½-113	24½ -6	John Bivins
Livingston	3	78	1,217	8	6	0530-2100*	10¼-58	10-5	Nancy Vail
Logan	3	102	3,529	17	9	0600-1915	17½-248	37½-18	Margaret Lanterman
Macon	3	82	1,283	9	3	????-????	12½-91	20-5¼	Ross Thompson
Macoupin	2	117	4,448	8	5	*0345-2030	17-279	17¼-22¾	Vicki Hedrick
Madison	2	152	4,693	11	5	*0400-1930	17-235	35¼-12½	Frank Holmes
Marion	2	71	1,118	2	1	0530-1200	2½-64½	2-4½	Terry Esker
Marshall	3	110	2,857	4	2	0530-1800	3¼-274	2¼-22¼	Mary K. Hill
Mason	3	154	6,308	8	4	*0330-1930	18¼-241	21½-19¾	Richard Bjorklund
Massac	1	151	3,495	1	1	*0200-1830	5-140	8½-4½	Frank Bennett
McDonough	3	133	9,463	27	14	*0100-2130*	43-358	68½-34½	David/Heidi Benson
McHenry	4	155	17,212	51	32	*0500-2130*	98-649½	113½-54¾	Rob Gough
McLean	3	141	5,889	15	7	0700-1800	33-295	39-13	Dale Birkenholz
Menard	3	98	1,601	4	3	0615-2000	12-108	14-6½	Ken Lockhart
Mercer	4	147	9,449	7	5	*0230-2000	11¼-342	11¼-42¾	Bill Bertrand
Monroe	1	165	13,445	10	7	*0400-2000	21½-241	24¾-19½	Mary Regan
Montgomery	2	114	4,934	2	2	0530-1800	10-150	9-10½	Mark Phipps
Morgan	2	114	1,658	2	1	0530-1830	3-122	3-10	Bill Atwood
Moultrie	2	86	835	1	1	0550-1600	3-65	5½-2½	Eric Smith
Ogle	4	79	1,504	3	2	0630-1900	20-65½	9-2½	Richie Wolf
Peoria	3	114	3,650	4	2	0530-1730	7-216	7-17	Mike Miller