

Documentation. The majority of birds requiring documentation were properly documented again this year; those documentations have been forwarded to the Illinois Ornithological Records Committee for the permanent file. Unfortunately, the documentations for five significant Count day species were not received as required (despite several requests); so, those records (along with other poorly- and non-documented records throughout the state) had to be excluded from the report. One of the above five would have been a new count species and the collective total would have provided a possible new count record of 272 species. With the aforementioned exclusions, the number of species

printed in Table 8 will be lower than originally submitted by those county compilers.

Economic Considerations. As mentioned last year, birders spend a great deal of time and money in pursuit of birds. It's still impossible to get (or give) exact figures and no one has yet suggested alternate figures, so, the three arbitrary standards and designated values initiated last year will be used again this year: 1) an "average" value for a person's time - \$18/hour; 2) the price of gasoline (which continued to be about \$3 per gallon in early May) 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 last year, 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) 1,426 participants times an average of \$16 for food/drink consumption = \$ 22,816

2) an average of 7.2 participation hours per person (1426) times \$18 per hour [7.2 is based 5153 daylight party hours x 2.0 persons per party + 160 nocturnal party hours] = \$187,690

TABLE 8: 2007 County Statistics (continued)

County	Area	Sp.	Number of Birds	Number of Obs.	Ptys	TIME Start-End	Miles W/D	Hours W/D	County Compiler
Hardin	1	105	932	2	1	0535-2020	1/90	4/8½	Elizabeth Raikes
Henderson	3	142	2,885	9	5	*0330-2100*	15½/158	19¾/17½	Chuck Leib
Henry	4	118	12,648	3	2	*0420-2030	4/279	4/20	Ed Anderson
Iroquois	3	117	3,739	20	12	*0500-2030	25/178	50/17½	Robert Dannehl
Jackson	1	143	5,295	14	11	*0315-2055*	29¾/295	31½/34½	Rhonda Rothrock
Jasper	2	100	733	3	1	*0500-2200*	3/15	4/8¾	Scott Simpson
Jefferson	1	103	1,052	3	1	*0345-2045	6/75	9/2½	Anne Bothe
Jersey	2	124	4,695	13	4	*0430-1730	9/125	12¾/17¼	Mary Jane Hoff
Jo Daviess	4	146	12,741	32	8	0600-2200*	22½/417	27½/44	Grace Storch
Johnson	1					N.R.			
Kane	4	149	14,661	46	20	0530-2100*	85½/318	140¾/81	Jon Duerr
Kankakee	4	147	7,438	22	13	*0245-2100*	36½/314	47¼/17½	Etta Aubertin
Kendall	4	131	4,067	22	8	*0400-2000	37½/101	52¼/8¾	Keith Johnson
Knox	3	164	9,832	24	15	*0300-2100*	26½/673	40½/46¾	Phil Reyburn
Lake	4	168	23,271	43	19	*0330-2030	95/450	133/29	Paul Sweet
La Salle	4	161	11,118	23	13	*0400-2030	50/733	59/55¼	John McKee
Lawrence	2	110	2,765	4	3	0530-2210*	9/147	17/11	Julie St. John
Lee	4	98	1,955	7	5	0520-1600	4½/63	11/11	John Bivins
Livingston	3	89	1,464	9	4	0530-2000	8/125	12/3	Nancy Vail
Logan	3	109	5,468	22	12	*0300-2000	26/225	36/23	Margaret Lanterman
Macon	3	156	5,960	16	10	*0430-2000	32/147	38¼/21	Ross Thompson
Macoupin	2	104	1,185	1	1	*0420-1730	7/128	8¼/3	Vicki Hedrick
Madison	2	154	5,592	11	6	*0430-2030	22½/312	39¾/14½	Frank Holmes
Marion	2	85	1,102	1	1	0530-1130	2/113	1½/4½	Terry Esker
Marshall	3	121	2,306	5	2	0530-1630	2/257	3/8	Mary K. Hill
Mason	3	166	9,927	13	6	*0400-2100*	23/289	37½/18½	Richard Bjorklund
Massac	1	160	3,749	1	1	*0000-2030	7/210	9¾/5¼	Frank Bennett
McDonough	3	154	12,553	31	17	*0415-2200*	42/393	77¾/46¾	David/Heidi Benson
McHenry	4	155	14,285	56	27	*0430-2015	69¾/685	91¼/56¾	David Frey
McLean	3	152	9,413	16	6	0530-1700	27/376	32/22	Dale Birkenholz
Menard	3	122	2,568	4	3	0630-1830	13/110	17/7½	Ken Lockhart
Mercer	4	137	7,456	7	4	*0250-2000	11¼/325	17½/36½	Bill Bertrand
Monroe	1	137	4,878	5	4	*0430-2030	15½/183	19¾/13¾	Mary Regan
Montgomery	2	128	8,142	6	4	*0455-2030	11/179	25/11	Mark Phipps