

A few species engaged in such poor passages as to draw attention. Among the worst shows of the season were Broad-winged Hawk, Philadelphia Vireo, Gray-cheeked Thrush, Golden-winged Warbler, Bay-breasted Warbler, and—most surprisingly—White-throated Sparrow. Within their limited range in Illinois, Blue Grosbeaks were also disturbingly low. Although this was not a flight year for winter finches, even the more reliable migrants—Purple Finch and Pine Siskin—were conspicuous in their near-absence.

The foundation of this summary is the detailed information on migration limits and populations as submitted directly to the compiler (or indirectly via the Illinois Department of Natural Resources) by field observers across the state. Information not submitted is not included. For example, reports communicated to local coordinators of taped bird-alerts, reports posted on e-mail, and reports transmitted by word of mouth to another observer are generally wanting here.

Migration limits and maximum counts are provided, where available, from each of the three subsections of Illinois—North, Central and South—as mapped out in Bohlen's (1978) *Annotated Check-list of the Birds of Illinois*. Additional data are sometimes noted for species and areas of special interest.

Our sincere thanks are extended to the following observers, who supplied all the data for the summary. These observers are credited by their initials following each record; disambiguating citation forms are indicated where needed. As in previous reports, the sequencing of observers below is based on alphabetization of last and first initials or citation forms rather than on alphabetization of last names: Alan Anderson, Cindy M. Alberico, Douglas Anderson, Arlene Brei, Denis M. Bohm, Frank Bennett, F. Keith Barker, David Bohlen, Richard & Sigurd Bjorklund (R&SBj), Steven Bailey, Tadas Birutis, Todd E. Bugg, Brian & Martha Chandler (B&MC), Elizabeth Chato, Karin Cassel, Paul Clyne, Robert Chapel, Scott Carpenter, Donald Dann, Glyn

As a printing aid, the following abbreviations have been used throughout this report:

EA	=	earliest arrival(s)	Arcola	=	Arcola (Douglas Co)
MC	=	maximum count(s)	Carl.L	=	Carlyle L (Clinton Co unless noted otherwise)
LD	=	latest departure(s)	CBG	=	Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe (Cook Co)
SBC	=	Spring Bird Count (8 May 1999)	Chau	=	Chautauqua NWR (Mason Co)
*	=	documented record	Chi	=	Chicago (Cook Co)
ph.	=	photographed	Clin.L	=	Clinton L (De Witt Co)
m.ob.	=	many observers	CrabOr	=	Crab Orchard NWR (Williamson Co)
ad.	=	adult	CypCrk	=	Cypress Creek NWR/Frank Bellrose Refuge (Pulaski Co)
subadult	=	subadult	Decatur	=	Decatur (Macon Co)
imm.	=	immature	Deer G East/West	=	Deer Grove East/West FP, Palatine (Cook Co)
pr	=	pair(s)	Evanston	=	Evanston (Cook Co)
CA	=	Conservation Area	GrantP	=	Grant Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
FP	=	Forest Preserve	GrtLakes	=	Great Lakes Naval Training Center, North Chicago (Lake Co)
FWA	=	Fish & Wildlife Area	Heron Pond	=	Heron Pond National Park (Johnson Co)
L	=	Lake	HL	=	Horseshoe L SP (Madison Co)
L&D	=	Lock and Dam	IBSP	=	Illinois Beach SP (Lake Co)
NWR	=	National Wildlife Refuge	IL	=	Illinois
R	=	River	JP	=	Jackson Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
SP	=	State Park	Kidd L	=	Kidd L Marsh (Monroe Co)
IORC	=	Illinois Ornithological Records Committee	La Salle L	=	La Salle L (La Salle Co)
			LCal	=	L Calumet area (southern Cook Co)
			LShel	=	L Shelbyville (Moultrie Co unless noted otherwise)
			M.View	=	Moraine View SP (McLean Co)
			Mermet L	=	Mermet L CA (Massac Co)
			Montrose	=	Montrose Harbor area, Chicago (Cook Co)
			MsPal	=	Mississippi Palisades SP (Carroll Co)
			Palos	=	Palos area (southwest Cook Co)
			Pomona	=	Pomona (Jackson Co)
			Pr.Rdg	=	Prairie Ridge State Natural Area (Jasper Co)
			Rockford	=	Rockford (Winnebago Co)
			Shab.L	=	Shabbona L SP (De Kalb Co)
			Spfld	=	Springfield (Sangamon Co)
			UCCA	=	Union Co CA (Union Co)
			Urbana	=	Urbana (Champaign Co)
			Wauk	=	Waukegan (Lake Co)
			Wilmette	=	Wilmette (Cook Co)
			WlkRen Marsh	=	Wilkinson-Renwick Marsh (De Kalb Co)

Transparent directionals such as ea. = east(ern), ne. = northeast(ern), so. = south(ern), etc., are used where relevant. When information on counts greater than one, on sexes, and/or on ages of birds observed is available, it is generally included in parentheses after the date of the record. No number signifies single birds. Headings for species requiring IORC review appear in **CAPITALIZED, UNDERLINED, AND BOLD-FACED** fonts; records that are still under review are noted at the end of this report. Noteworthy dates and sites of occurrence and remarkably high counts for the state as a whole or for particular regions of the state are **underlined and bold-faced**, and some further editorial remarks are **bold-faced**.

The 1996 DeLorme *Illinois Atlas & Gazetteer* has been used as a standard for spelling of most place names. Remarks on the import of records are informed largely by Bohlen's 1989 *Birds of Illinois* and the subsequently published Illinois journals.