

### Lesser Black-backed Gull

EA: 24 Feb (ad.), L Shelbyville (Moultrie/Shelby Cos) (EWW); 9 Mar (ad.), L&D#14 (Rock Island Co) (SMF); 12 Mar (ad.), Miss. R (Mercer Co) (WAB). **MC:** 9 (8 ad.), N Pt Marina, 29 Mar (EWW); 4, N Pt Marina, 29 Mar (RDH); 3 (ad.), Independence Grove FP (Lake Co), 29 Mar (RDH) & 6 April (SSph). **LD:** 28 May (3rd summer), N Pt Marina (EWW); 10 May (1 1st year, 1 2nd year), N Pt Marina (RDH); 8 May, Montrose H (DRD); 6 May (4th year), Montrose H (GAW); 24 Mar (ad.), Carl.C (DMK, MSS). **Others:** 1-19 Mar (3rd year), Carl.C (DMK); 1 & 24 Mar (ad.), Carl.C (DMK); 8-16 Mar (1st year), Carl.C (DMK); 13 Mar (ad.), Butterworth P, East Moline (Rock Island Co) (SMF); 5 May (ad.), Montrose H (GAW, SSph).

### GLAUCOUS-WINGED GULL

**LD:** 8 Sep 2007-12 Apr (ad.), Carl.C (DMK, MSS, WMR, m.ob.).

### Glaucous Gull

**LD:** 5-8 May (2nd summer), N Pt Marina (EWW); 1 May (2nd summer), Wauk. (EWW); 29 Mar (ad.), N Pt Marina (RDH); 29 Mar (2nd year), N Pt Marina (EWW); 22 Mar (2nd year), Putnam Co (DFS); 9 Mar (1st year), Montrose H (GAW).

### Great Black-backed Gull

**LD:** 13-17 May (1st year), Wauk. (EWW, DTW).

### Least Tern

EA: 16 May (4), AMAX Wabash Mine (CLH); 24 May, Two Rivers NWR (Calhoun Co) (EWW); 26 May (2), Mermet L (EWW). **MC:** 16, Urbandale (Alexander Co), 24 May (DMK, MSS). **LD:** 16 Jun (ad.), Sgmn Co (HDB); 31 May, Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (MSS, DMK, IOS); 30 May (2), Santa Fe Btms (DMK:ph, MSS); 28 May (2), AMAX Wabash Mine (CLH, RES).

### Caspian Tern

EA: 25-26 Mar, Wolf L, LCal (CAM, WJM) - record early IL arrival date by one day; 26 Mar (2), JP (PRC); 30 Mar, Carl.C (DMK, MSS) - record early away from Chi; 13 Apr, Como (Whiteside Co) (EWW); 21 Apr, Montrose (SSph) 3 May, L Charleston (Coles Co) (EWW, WSS); 14 May, Rockton (Wbgo Co) (DTW). **MC:** 848, Northwestern University, Evanston (Cook Co), 10 May (JIE) - record IL high count; 593, GrtLakes, 12 May (DRD) - third highest IL count; 279, Montrose H, 3 May (GAW); 225+, Winthrop H, 5 May (EWW); 22, Clinton Co, 10 May (KAM); 5, Chau, 16 May (RG&SNB). **LD:** 11 Jun (5), Winthrop H (EWW); 1-6 Jun, Sgmn Co (HDB); 2 Jun (2), Grant P (DFS); 31 May (2), East Fork L (Richland Co) (CLH); 30 May, Santa Fe Btms (MSS); 30 May (2), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 24 May, Emiquon NWR (Fulton Co) (EWW). **Remarks:** Very good numbers along the Chi lakefront this spring (GAW).

### Black Tern

EA: 10 May (4), Durand (Wbgo Co) (DTW, BCW); 10 May, Indian Ridge Marsh South, LCal (WJM, MLB); 10 May, s. Clinton Co (KAM). **MC:** 51, Upper Spring L (Carroll Co), 17 May (EWW); 26, Sgmn Co, 1 Jun (HDB); 23, Redwing Slough SNA (Lake Co), 21 May (DRD); 13, HL, 10 May (FRH); 13, Sauer Pr, 17 May (DJS); 12, Carl.C, 11 May (DMK); 8, Chau, 16 May (RG&SNB); 7, Harrison (Wbgo Co), 23 May (DTW). **LD:** 18 Jun, Rochelle (Ogle Co) (EWW); 3 Jun (3), Sgmn Co (HDB); 1 Jun (3), Champaign (Champaign Co) (GSL); 26 May, Rattlesnake Hill (Alexander Co) (EWW); 26 May, Harrison (Wbgo Co) (DTW); 23 May (4), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 17 May, Carl.C (DMK, MSS, KAM). **Others:** 15 May (2), Sauer Pr (SAC); 18 May, Eggers Wds FP, LCal (JWL, WJM).

### Common Tern

EA: 23 Apr, Pontoon Beach (Madison Co) (TJD); 3 May, Jackson Co (LW); 7 May (10+), Winthrop H (EWW); 9 May, L&D#14 (Rock Island Co) (EWW); 10 May (2), Hennepin L (DFS); 10 May, East Fork L (Richland Co) (CLH); 11 May (2), Montrose H (GAW). **MC:** 50, Carl.C, 10 May (TAM, KAM, DMK, MSS, RSH); 45, L Decatur dredge ponds, 22 May (TAM). **LD:** 2 & 4 Jun (ad.), Sgmn Co (HDB); 25 May (2), JP (PRC); 23 May, L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 21 May (2), HL (KAM); 19 May (2), Montrose H (GAW); 17 May (2), Carl.C (DMK, MSS, KAM); 16 May (2), Chau (RG&SNB).

### Forster's Tern

EA: 12 Apr, Carl.C (DMK, MSS); 15 Apr (18), Boone Co (AEB, MAR); 17 Apr, LCal (WJM); 19 Apr (2), Shabbona L SP (De Kalb Co) (DJS); 3 May, Rochelle (Ogle Co) (DTW); 10 May (22), JP (PRC, OSM). **MC:** 47, Hennepin L, 10 May (DFS); 30+, Winthrop H, 5 May (EWW); 30+, East Fork L (Richland Co), 8 May (CLH); 30, Carl.C, 4 & 11 May (DMK, MSS); 26, Chau, 16 May (RG&SNB); 21, McGinnis Slough (Cook Co), 11 May (WSS); 17, I&M Canal (La Salle Co), 16 May (DJS); 8, American Btms, 10 May (C&PD). **LD:** 3-20 Jun (imm.), Sgmn Co (HDB); 3-4 Jun (ad.), Sgmn Co (HDB); 28 May, LCal (WJM); 24 May, Urbandale (Alexander Co) (DMK, MSS); 21 May, Emiquon NWR (Fulton Co) (KAM); 19 May, Carl.C/F (KAM); 17 May, JP (OSM).

### Rock Pigeon

**MC:** 555, n. Cook Co, 1 Mar (DFS); 400, EstL, 31 May (DMK, MSS, IOS); 22, JP, 9 Mar & 30 May (PRC).

### Eurasian Collared-Dove

**MC:** 182, Madison Co, 10 May (FRH); 10, Alma (Marion Co), 29 Mar (DMK, MSS). **Others:** Mar-end of season (calling male), Decatur (TAM); 1 Mar, Grand Ridge (La Salle Co) (EWW); 6 Mar, LCal (WJM); 4 Apr, Effingham (Effingham Co) (DMK, MSS, KAM); 28 Apr (pair), Kise Crossing (Monroe Co) (EWW); 28 Apr (pair), Sandoval (Marion Co) (EWW); 21 May, Bushnell (McDonough Co) (LLH); 21 May, Stark Co (KAM).

### WHITE-WINGED DOVE

[EA: 12 Apr (photographed at feeder), Urb.].

### Mourning Dove

**MC:** 40, Carl.C, multiple dates in Mar (DMK, MSS); 36, Bureau Co, 10 May (DFS); 7, JP, 18 Apr (PRC).



*Lesser Black-backed Gull at Independence Grove Forest Preserve, Lake County. 6 April 2008. Photo by Steve Spitzer.*

### Monk Parakeet

**MC:** 59, Burnham (Cook Co), 13 Mar (WJM); 43, Calumet Park, Chi, 4 Mar (CAM); 29, Greenwood Cemetery, Chi, 4 Mar (SF, WJM); 24, JP, 24 Feb (PRC); 5, Rainbow Beach, Chi, 3 May (GAW). **Other:** 31 May (4 at nest), Antioch (McHenry Co) (EWW).

### Yellow-billed Cuckoo

EA: 26 Apr, Ft Massac (KAM, MSS, IOS); 10 May, Clinton Co (DMK); 15 May, LeVasseur P (JBH); 17 May, Adams Co (AGD); 18 May, n. of Coulterville (Washington Co) (TJD); 25 May, JP (CBA, PRC); 26 May, Rockfd (DTW); 26 May, Mackinaw Bluffs (MEF); 26 May, s. of Charleston (Coles Co) (RDF). **MC:** 6, Fults Hill Pr NPSv (Monroe Co), 31 May (DMK, MSS, IOS); 4, Ramsey L SP (Fayette Co), 30 May (DMK, MSS); 4, Carl. C, 26 May (DMK, MSS); 3, Salt Crk Wds, 25 May (DFS); 2, Little Black Slough NPSv, Upper Cache, 24 May (DMK, MSS). **LD:** 8 Jun, Montrose H (GS); 7 Jun, Sterling (Whiteside Co) (EWW); 4 Jun, JP (PRC). **Other:** 31 May, New Athens (St. Clair Co) (TJD). **Remarks:** Very scarce!! (CLH).

### Black-billed Cuckoo

EA: 6 May, Jasper Co (CLH, RES); 14 May, LeVasseur P (JBH); 17 May, JP (OSM); 18 May, Mermet L (CLH); 20 May, Arcola Marsh (Douglas Co) (TDF), 21 May, Matthiessen SP (La Salle Co) (KAM); 22 May, Dan Wright Wds FP (Lake Co) (DRD et al.); 23 May, Douglas-Hart NC (Coles Co) (DM); 26 May, Montrose H (GAW); 26 May, Bloomington (NC fide ME). **MC:** 3, Salt Crk Wds, 18 May (DFS); 2, Carl.C, 26 May (DMK:ph, MSS).

### Barn Owl

**MC:** 2 (1 injured), Edwards Co, 20 Apr (RES:ph, CLH). **Others:** 2 Mar (male), Carl.F (DMK); 16 Mar (feather), Carl.C (DMK); 20-26 Apr (remained after injured bird was taken to rehabilitator), Edwards Co (RES:ph); 10 May (male), Clinton Co (MSS, TAM, DMK).

### Eastern Screech-Owl

**MC:** 3, Clinton Co, 10 May (DMK). **Others:** 31 Mar (pair in copula), Zion (Lake Co) (EWW); 6 Apr (red morph), Chau (LLH).

### Great Horned Owl

**MC:** 4, Putnam Co, 10 May (DFS); 3, Salt Crk Wds, 23 May (DFS).

### Barred Owl

**MC:** 17, Bureau & Putnam Cos, 10 May (DFS); 8, Carl.C, 3 May (DMK, MSS).