

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

EA: 19 Apr, Johnson Co (KM); 29 Apr, Mendota (JH); 4 May, Urbana (RC); 6 May (2), Boone Co (AB). MC: 4, Pomona, 30 Apr (KM); 3, Chi, 19 May (EW); 3, Evanston, 24 May (JE). LD: 6 Jun (female), JP (PC); 25 May (2), Carl.L (DK).

Belted Kingfisher

EA: 11 Mar (male), JP (PC); 23 Mar, Carl.L (DK). LD: 26 May, JP (KC). Almost no observers offered even a mention of this species, making its status difficult to assess, but evidence from some areas suggests recent decline.

Red-headed Woodpecker

EA: 12 Apr, Braidwood (CA); 21 Apr, Adams Co (KV); 2 May, JP (PC). MC: 18, Clinton Co, 10 May (KM). LD: 18 May, JP (JL). Poorly represented along LMch. and perhaps elsewhere, but few concrete data were received.

Red-bellied Woodpecker

EA: 28 Apr, Evanston (EW). MC: 22, Carl.L, 16 Mar (DK). LD: 18 May, Evanston (JE). Others: 26 Mar (overwintering bird), Lincoln Park, Chi (JL). Although this species is largely sedentary, records from the LMch. shoreline parks reveal some spring movement.

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

EA: 25 Mar (male), JP (PC); 26 Mar (2), Normal (McLean Co) (MF); 28 Mar (6), Urbana (RC). MC: 13, JP, 7 Apr (PC); 6, De Kalb Co, 13 Apr (DS). LD: 10 May, Coles Co (BH) - record late date for Coles Co; 10 May (3), Evanston (EW, IM, m.ob) and (2), JP (PC et al.); 21 Apr, Pine Hills (Union Co) (KM).

Downy Woodpecker

MC: 18, Carl.L, 16 Mar (DK).

Hairy Woodpecker

MC: 9, Clinton Co, 10 May (KM). Other: 7 Mar-24 Apr, Chi (non-breeding area) (JL).

Northern Flicker

EA: 1 Mar (influx), Clin.L (RC); 8 Mar, Rock Island Co (CL); 16 Mar, Glenview (Cook Co) (JE); 23 Mar, JP (PC). MC: 26, JP, 25 Apr (PC); 12, Union Co, 20 Apr (KM). LD: 2 May (7), JP (PC).

Pileated Woodpecker

Others: 9 Apr & 20 May, RCA (SH & SD, DJ, RBA); 24 Apr, Rockford (DW); 28 Apr, near Shirland (Winnebago Co) (BG); 6 May, Adams Co (KV); 31 May, Palos (Columbia Woods) (CT).

Olive-sided Flycatcher

EA: 11 May, Urbana (RC); 12 May, Santa Fe (KM, DK); 18 May, JP (KHa); 18 May, Green River CA (Lee Co) (C&JMc). MC: 3, Urbana, 18 May (RC); 3, Du Page Co, 31 May (JPo). LD: 10 Jun, Evanston (EW); 5 Jun, Pesotum (Champaign Co) (RC); 28 May, Carl.L (DK).

Eastern Wood-Pewee

EA: 2 May, Urbana (RC); 3 May (2), Mermet L CA (KM); 3 May, Queen's Lake (Clinton Co) (DK); 3 May, SRSP (C&JMc); 4 May, Merwyn Preserve (McLean Co) (MF); 11 May (2), JP (RH, PC). MC: 30, Palos, 30 May (DSt). LD: 13 Jun, Chi (EW).

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher

EA: 16 May (2), Chi (JL); 18 May, Urbana (RC); 19 May, Carl.L (DK). MC: 37, Chi (Grant Park), 30 May (DSt) - **record high count**; 6, Urbana, 1 Jun and 8 Jun (RC). LD: 12 Jun, Evanston (EW); 8 Jun (6), Urbana (RC); 28 May (2), Carl.L (DK).

Acadian Flycatcher

EA: 30 Apr, Queen's Lake (Clinton Co) (DK); 4 May, Urbana (RC).

MC: 14, Clinton Co, 10 May (KM). LD: 12 Jun, Evanston (EW); 30 May, Chi (Grant Park) (DSt); 1 Jun (3), Urbana (RC).

Alder Flycatcher

EA: 13 May, Fishhook (RC); 23 May (12), Carl.L (KM); 30 May (2), JP (PC); 30 May (2), DeerG (CF). MC: 23, Urbana, 25 May (RC); 12, Carl.L, 23 May (KM); 4, Chi, 5 Jun (EW). See also Willow Flycatcher. LD: 11 Jun, Chi (EW); 8 Jun (3), Urbana (RC); 28 May, ESIL (KM).

Willow Flycatcher

EA: 7 May, Urbana (RC); 10 May, JP (PC, TJ). MC: 80 (combined tally of Willow and Alder Flycatchers), Chi (Grant Park), 30 May (DSt) - **unprecedented high count**; 10, Urbana, 25 May (RC). LD: 21 Jun, Chi (JL).

Least Flycatcher

EA: 30 Apr (2), Pomona (KM); 30 Apr (2), Atwood (KM); 2 May, Urbana (RC); 3 May, DeerG (CF). MC: 17, Chi, 19 May (EW); 12, Urbana, 11 May (RC). LD: 8 Jun (2), Urbana (RC); 11 Jun, Chi (JL); 4 Jun, Coles Co (BH).

Eastern Phoebe

EA: 8 Mar, Clin.L (MD); 8 Mar (2), Union Co (KM); 10 Mar, Carl.L (DK); 10 Mar, Coles Co (BH); 16 Mar, Rockford (BG); 18 Mar, Palos (RBe). MC: 8, JP, 25 Mar (PC). LD: 8 May, JP (PC).

Great Crested Flycatcher

EA: 30 Apr (2), Pomona (KM); 30 Apr (2), Atwood (KM); 4 May, Urbana (RC); 5 May (3), JP (WS, PC et al.); 5 May, Palatine (CF). MC: 15, Palos, 27 May (DSt); 14, Clinton Co, 10 May (KM); 10, Carl.L, 28 May (DK); 7, JP, 8 May (PC). LD: 18 Jun, Winnetka (fide EW); 18 Jun, Evanston (EW).

Western Kingbird

Four reports: 11 May (ad.), nw. St. Clair Co (VK); 25 May, ESIL (DK); 30 May, Chi (Montrose) (RH, GW, JPu); 4 Jun, Chi (Rainbow Beach) (DM).

Eastern Kingbird

EA: 19 Apr, Heron Pond (KM); 29 Apr, JP (PC); 30 Apr, Vermilion Co (JSm). MC: 33, Union Co, 3 May (KM); 20, Fermi, 29 May (EW); 17, Chi, 30 May (JL). LD: 11 Jun (2 migrants), Chi (EW).

Horned Lark

EA: 15 Mar, JP (PC). MC: 30, Carl.L, 10 Mar (DK). LD: 27 Mar, Evanston (EW).

Purple Martin

EA: 22 Mar, Pulaski Co (KM); 23 Mar, Carl.L (DK); 12 Apr (6),

Boone Co (AB); 14 Apr, Evanston (EW); 19 Apr, Kennekuk Cove SP (SB et al.). MC: 70+, Wilmette, 7 Jun (EW); 60, Mermet L CA, 14 Apr (KM). LD: 7 Jun, as above; 6 Jun (25+), Chi (EW). Swallows and martins arrived significantly late at many sites, despite the occurrence of scattered early individuals across the state. Some observers noted depleted populations.

Tree Swallow

EA: 14 Mar (10), CONWR (KM); 16 Mar (11), Clin.L (MD); 27 Mar, JP (PC); 28 Mar (3), De Kalb Co (DS). MC: 1500, CONWR, 12 Apr (KM); 250+, Braidwood, 12 Apr (CA); 250, Heyworth, 3 May (MF).

Northern Rough-winged Swallow

EA: 25 Mar, Decatur (Macon Co) (MD); 29 Mar (2), Carl.L (DK); 5 Apr (2), Jackson Co (KM); 13 Apr, Arcola (RC, GL); 16 Apr (7), Dayton (La Salle Co) (C&JMc); 19 Apr (2), JP (TJ, PC); 19 Apr, Butler Lake (Lake Co) (DJ). MC: 130, Union Co, 3 May (KM); 37, JP, 25 May (PC). LD: 5 Jun, Wilmette (EW).



Whip-poor-will. Deerfield Parkway, Lake County. 28 May 1997. Photo by Denis Bohm.