

Eastern Bluebird

EA: 24 Jan, Sangamon Co (DB); 21 Feb (4), Sav.Depot (DFS); 2 Mar, MidewinPr (DFS). MC: 41, Carl.L, 9 May (DK); 25, Union Co, 18 Apr (KM); 11, Sangamon Co, 26 Apr (DB); 5, Wilmette, 29 Mar (JE). LD: 3 Jun (male), Wilmette (JE).

Veery

EA: 3 May, ThatcherWds (DFS); 6 May (3), Sangamon Co (DB); 6 May (2), Urbana (RC); 8 May (2), SRSP (C&JMC); 9 May, Clinton Co (KM). MC: 8, Urbana, 13 May (RC); 5, JP, 7 May (KC, PC). LD: 29 May, JP (KC); 26 May, Jordan Creek Wildlife Preserve (Vermilion Co)(JOS); 25 May, Hazlet SP (Clinton Co)(DK). A poor spring statewide.

Gray-cheeked Thrush

EA: 30 Apr, Pomona (KM); 2 May, Chi (JL); 6 May, statewide. MC: 15, Urbana, 17 May (RC); 7, Sangamon Co, 16 May (DB); 5, JP, 13 May (WS, PC); 4, Clinton Co, 9 May (KM). LD: 4 Jun, JP (PC); 26 May, Carp.P (DB); 14 May, Heron Pond (KM). A poor to locally terrible spring statewide.

Swainson's Thrush

EA: 19 Apr, Heron Pond (KM); 21 Apr (male), SLSP (DB); 29 Apr, Chi (JL). MC: 50, Urbana, 13 May (RC); 22, ThatcherWds, 17 May (DFS); 9, Carl.L, 9 May (DK). LD: 15 Jun, Urbana (RC); 5 Jun, JP (KC); 9 May (6), Clinton Co (KM). A terrible spring statewide.

Hermit Thrush

EA: 11 Mar (2), Calhoun Co (KM); 13 Mar (2), Crabtree NC, Barrington (Cook Co)(CF); 18 Mar, Boone Co (AB); 25 Mar, L Spfld (DB). MC: 41, JP, 26 Apr (PC); 12, Sangamon Co, 7 Apr & 25 Apr (DB); 12, Vermilion Co, 7 Apr (JOS); high counts of 2 in so. IL (KM, DK). LD: 13 May, Chi (JL); 11 May, Wash.P (DB); 26 Apr, AtwdRdg (KM). Low numbers statewide.

Wood Thrush

EA: 14 Apr, AtwdRdg (KM); 26 Apr (2), Sangamon Co (DB); 1 May, DeerG (CF). MC: 12, Clinton Co, 9 May (KM); 6 (breeding population), Grundy Co, 10 May (DFS); 5, Sangamon Co, 9 May & 16 May (DB). LD: 9 Jun, Urbana (RC); 16 May, JP (SC).

American Robin

EA: 6 Feb, Sangamon Co (DB); 14 Feb (male), JP (SC); 21 Feb (17), Klehm FP, Rockford (Winnebago Co)(DW). MC: 2415, Evanston, 26 Mar (EW) = 2063 southbound, JP, 26 Mar (PC), where largest flight since 1983; 5605 southbound over three days, JP, 25-27 Mar (PC); 200, Carl.L, 9 May (DK); 100, Colfax, 3 Mar (MR); 100, Sangamon Co, 1 Mar & 21 Mar (DB). LD: 14 May (11 migrating), JP (PC). Other: An albino present in Saybrook (McLean Co) for sixth consecutive year.

Gray Catbird

EA: 18 Apr, Jo Daviess Co (EW); 18 Apr, OakwdBtm (KM); 19 Apr, SLSP (DB). MC: 61, GrantP, 13 May (DFS); 19, Sangamon Co, 25 May (DB); 8, Clinton Co, 9 May (KM). LD: 31 May, JP (SC).

Northern Mockingbird

EA: 11 Mar, Wolf L, LCal (DFS); 10 Apr, Matthiessen SP (La Salle Co)(C&JMC); 26 Apr, Woodstock (McHenry Co)(*JER). MC: 15, Sangamon Co, 25 May (DB); 9, Carl.L, 9 May (DK); 8 (breeding population), MidewinPr, 15 Apr (DFS). LD: 20 May, Evanston (JE).

Brown Thrasher

EA: 14 Mar, Clin.L (RC); 28 Mar (4), Sta Fe Btm (DK); 31 Mar, E. Conkey FP (Cook Co)(SF). MC: 35, MidewinPr, 15 Apr (DFS); 17, Sangamon Co, 21 Apr (DB); 7, Pomona, 14 Apr (KM). LD: 12 Jun, JP (PC); 9 May (decreased numbers), Sangamon Co (DB).

European Starling

EA: 15 Feb (168 migrants), JP (PC). MC: 1000, MidewinPr, 2 Mar (DFS); 560, Evanston, 26 Mar (EW). LD: 13 May (10 migrants), JP (PC).

American Pipit

EA: [1st passage:] 6 Mar, SLSP (DFS); 29 Mar, JP (PC, SC); 19 Apr (2), La Salle L (C&JMC); [2nd passage:] 1 May, Pecatonica (Winnebago Co)(DW); 2 May, JP (PC); 2 May, Des Plaines R Wetlands Demonstration Project (Lake Co)(SH). MC: 250, Pr.Rdg, 6 Apr (JW, EK); 30, Sta Fe Btm, 22 Mar (DK); 20, Sangamon Co, 15 Apr (DB); 8, Evanston, 6 May (JO, EW). LD: 13 May, HL (KM); 9 May (3), Henline Pit (McLean Co)(MR, BW). The split migration described for this species was not well defined from the data received from most sites.

Cedar Waxwing [1st passage]

EA: 1 Feb (5), JP (KC); 20 Feb, O?Fallon (St. Clair Co)(KM); 2 Mar (105), Sangamon Co (DB). MC: 100+, Mason Co, 15-16 Mar (R&SBj); 95, Rockford (Winnebago Co), 21 Feb (DW); 30, Pomona, 7 Apr (KM). LD: 16 Apr (10), Sangamon Co (DB); 30 Mar, Wilmette (JE).

Cedar Waxwing [2nd passage]

EA: 24 Apr (4), JP (DM, PC); 5 May (5), Sangamon Co (DB). MC: 730+, Evanston/Wilmette, 19 May (JE); 65, Sangamon Co, 25 May (DB); 50, O?Fallon, 12 May (St. Clair Co)(KM). LD: 29 May (40), Holten SP (KM), but migrants into Jun over central and no. IL.

Blue-winged Warbler

EA: 17 Apr, Pomona (KM); 25 Apr (male), Dam Park (Sangamon Co)(DB); 26 Apr (male), JP (KC). MC: 9, John J. Duffy FP (Cook Co), 27 May (CT); 5, Rock Cut SP (Winnebago Co), 30 May (DW). LD: 20 May (male), JP (KC); 17 May, Urbana (RC).

Golden-winged Warbler

EA: 25 Apr (male), Center Park (Sangamon Co)(DB); 6 May (2 males), JP (PC, KEH); 6 May (male), Evanston (JE); 9 May (3), Clinton Co (KM). MC: 3, Clinton Co, 9 May (KM); 3, JP, 25 May (PC, RH). Singles only (!) at Sangamon Co (DB). LD: 8 Jun, Urbana (RC); 30 May, Chi (EW); 11 May, Madison Co (FH). Poor migration at most sites.

Tennessee Warbler

EA: 18 Apr (2), Pomona (KM); 2 May, Lodge Park (Piatt Co)(RC); 4 May, JP (KC). MC: 200+, Urbana, 13 May (RC); 80, ThatcherWds, 17 May (DFS); 64, Carl.L, 9 May (DK). LD: 4 Jun, GrantP (DFS); into Jun, Sangamon Co (DB); 16 May, O?Fallon (St. Clair Co)(KM).

Orange-crowned Warbler

EA: 13 Apr (3), Heron Pond (KM); 15 Apr, SLSP (DB); 18 Apr, JP (fide PC). MC: 5, Evanston, 29 Apr (JE); 3, Heron Pond, 13 Apr (KM); 3, LCal, 15 May (DFS). LD: 13 May, Urbana (RC); 13 May, JP (PC); 2 May (2), so. Clinton Co (KM).

Nashville Warbler

EA: 18 Apr, LShel (RC); 19 Apr, Pomona (DK); 19 Apr (2), Heron Pond (KM); 25 Apr, JP (EL). MC: 158, Oak Park/River Forest (Cook Co), 9 May (DFS)—**unprecedented high count**—see remarks below; 20, Sangamon Co, 9 May (DB); 20, Clinton Co, 9 May (KM). LD: 21 May, LChau (S&RBj); 15 May, JP (PC); 9 May (20), Clinton Co (KM). The seemingly remarkable high count is instructive: DFS remarks: "...by driving the streets with windows rolled down I could cover much more area (52 linear miles) with habitat, namely old elm trees, than people typically cover. There were a lot of Nashvilles, but coverage played a role. If you convert it to birds per block, it was only one Nashville every 3+ blocks, so not really all that dense."

Northern Parula

EA: 24 Mar (song heard five times), Bloomington (McLean Co)(MF)—**earliest arrival for IL by four days**; 1 Apr, Pine Hills (Union Co)(KM); 12 Apr (2), Babe Woodyard Natural Area (Vermilion Co)(RC, GL); 12 Apr (male), Hunter L (Sangamon Co)(DB); 14 Apr (male), Evanston (JE). MC: 19, Pomona, 4 Apr (KM); 3, Sangamon Co, 18 Apr (DB); 3, Oak Park/River Forest (Cook Co), 9 May (DFS). LD: 16 May, JP (KC); 12 May (male), Henline Creek (McLean Co)(MR).