

(Bureau Co) (DFS) — the only report from n IL.

Yellow-throated Vireo

EA: 7 Apr, La Rue-Pine Hills Ecological Area (Union Co) (KM); 15 Apr, Fort Massac SP (Massac Co) (FB); 19 Apr, Lincoln Memorial Garden near Spfld (HDB); 22 Apr, Urbana (RC); 28 Apr, JP (KEH). **MC:** 9, Clinton Co, 5 May (KM); 5, Urbana, 12 May (RC); 2, JP, 11 May (PC). **LD:** 28 May, Urbana (RC); 16 May, JP (KC).

Blue-headed Vireo

EA: 8 Apr, Sielbecks tract near Mermet L (FB); 15 Apr, Urbana (RC); 26 Apr (2), JP (SF, KC). **MC:** 6, Sgmn Co, 25 Apr (HDB); 4, Urbana, 13 May (RC); 3, Bemis Wds FP (we Cook Co), 30 Apr (DFS); 2, Fort Massac SP (Massac Co), 22 Apr (KM). **LD:** 20 May, Bloomington (McLean Co) (RC); 15 May, JP (SC, PC); 5 May, Carl.C (DK).

Warbling Vireo

EA: 8 Apr, Mermet L (KM) — second earliest IL arrival; 10 Apr (4), Mermet L (FB); 15 Apr (3 males), Sgmn Co (HDB); 21 Apr, Kickapoo SP (Vermilion Co) (RC, IOS); 23 Apr (2 males), JP (DJI, SF). **MC:** 27, LCal, 3 May (DFS); 23, Clinton Co, 5 May (KM); 17, Sgmn Co, 5 May (HDB). **LD:** 3 Jun, Rainbow Beach, Chi (DFS).

Philadelphia Vireo

EA: 1 May, Adams Sanctuary, Spfld (HDB); 2 May, Urbana (RC); 5 May, Wolf L (LCal) (CM); 6 May, Massac Co (FB). **MC:** 12+, Ewing P, 25 May (MR, DTW) — ties record spring high counts (from 1985); 10, same site, 26 May (RC); 5, Urbana, 28 May (RC); 3, Grant P, 14 May (DFS); 3, Wolf L (LCal), 27 May (WM). **LD:** 7 Jun, Grant P (DFS); 1 Jun, Urbana (RC); 27 May, Carl.C (DK).

Red-eyed Vireo

EA: 10 Apr (3), Pomona (KM) — record early IL arrival by one day; 13 Apr, Mermet L (FB); 18 Apr & 22 Apr, M.Arb (JC) — second earliest arrival for n IL; 22 Apr, Urbana (RC). **MC:** 150, Urbana, 11 May (RC) — third highest IL count on record; 38, Sgmn Co, 12 May (HDB); 27, Swallow Cliffs FP, Palos, 9 May (DFS); 20, Clinton Co, 5 May (KM); 17 (late migrants), JP, 6 Jun (PC). **LD:** 15 Jun, Grant P (DFS); 10 Jun (male), JP (PC).

Blue Jay

EA: 21 Apr (5), Evanston (EW); 23 Apr (9), JP (PC et al.). **MC:** 886 (in one hour), Evanston, 2 May (EW) — record spring high count for IL; 427, same site, 9 May (EW); 320, same site, 11 May (EW); 232, JP, 1 May (PC); 44, Carl.C, 19 May (DK); 42, e Kankakee Co, 8 Apr (DFS). **LD:** 15 Jun, Grant P (DFS).

American Crow

MC: 300, HL, 5 Mar (KM); 130, Sgmn Co, 5 Mar (HDB); 85, Kankakee Co, 8 Apr (DFS); 43, JP, 21 Mar (PC).

Fish Crow

EA: 5 Mar, Madison Co (KM); 11 Mar (2), Mermet L (FB); 27 Mar, Cardondale (Jackson Co) (RSM). **MC:** 17, Mermet L, 8 Apr (KM).

Horned Lark

EA: 8 Feb (16), JP (PC, BH). **MC:** 73, Kankakee Co, 17 Mar (DFS); 50, Sgmn Co, 3 Mar (HDB); 50, Carl.C, 10 Mar (DK). **LD:** 8 Apr, Evanston (EW); 28 Mar (3), Monree (Will Co) (AA).

Purple Martin

EA: 4 Mar (5), Mermet L (FB); 13 Mar (2), Columbia (Monroe Co) (DK); 19 Mar (female), Sang.L (HDB) — record early for county; 21 Mar (male), Sgmn Co (HDB); 7 Apr, Arcola (Douglas Co) (RC); 22 Apr, McGinnis Slough, Palos (UG); 23 Apr, Crystal L (McHenry Co) (DF). **MC:** 120, Carl.C, 12 May (DK); 60, Mermet L, 1 Apr (KM); 20, Sgmn Co, 31 May (HDB).

Tree Swallow

EA: 2 Mar (2), Carl.C (DK); 3 Mar (8), Grassy L (Union Co) (KM); 6 Mar (2), Mermet L (FB); 12 Mar (6), Sang.L (HDB); 18 Mar, Clin.L (RC); 25 Mar (45), Dresden Power Plant (Grundey Co) (DIS). **MC:** 3000, CrabOr., 16 Apr (KM); 150, Carl.C, 6 May (DK); 140, Sgmn Co, 17 Apr (HDB); 45, Dresden Power Plant (Grundey Co), 25 Mar (DIS). **LD:** 23 May, JP (KC).

Northern Rough-winged Swallow

EA: 24 Mar, Mermet L (FB); 31 Mar, LShel (RC); 3 Apr, Buckhart (Sgmn Co) (HDB); 7 Apr, Evanston (EW); 7 Apr, Royce Road, Bolingbrook (Will Co) (UG). **MC:** 40, Evanston, 11 May (EW); 37, JP, 5 May (SC et al.); 30, Mermet L, 4 Apr (KM); 13, Sgmn Co, 5 May (HDB).

Bank Swallow

EA: 7 Apr (3), Union Co (KM); 10 Apr (2), Sang.L (HDB); 11 Apr, MidFk (RC); 1 May (2), JP (SC). **MC:** 300, Sgmn Co, 26 May (HDB); 300, L Spfld, 30 May (KM); 120, Hennepin L, 23 May (DFS); 84, Evanston, 15 May (EW); 40, Carl.C, 27 May (DK).

Cliff Swallow

EA: 8 Apr (2), Spfld (HDB); 8 Apr (25), Fort Massac SP (Massac Co) (KM); 20 Apr (2), JP (BH, PC). **MC:** 2340 (many on ground under dense fog), Chau, 25 May (R&SBj); 550, Sgmn Co, 26 May (HDB); 350, Hennepin L, 25 May (DFS); 85, Rend L, 17 Apr (KM); 70, Fort Massac SP (Massac Co), 22 Apr (KM); 40, Carl.C, 20 May (DK). **LD:** 4 Jun (6), Grant P (DFS).

Barn Swallow

EA: 24 Mar (3), Mermet L (FB); 28 Mar (2), Monroe Co (KM); 6 Apr (2), JP (PC, BH); 7 Apr, widespread in c IL (m.ob.). **MC:** 80, Carl.C, 12 May (DK); 50, HL, 22 May (KM); 48, JP, 5 May (PC et al.); 25, Sgmn Co, 10 Apr & 5 May (HDB).

Carolina Chickadee

MC: 48, Union Co, 1 Apr (KM) — highest published spring count excluding SBC data; 12, Carl.C, 31 Mar & 5 May (DK).

Black-capped Chickadee

MC: 34, Ogle Co, 10 Mar (DFS); 22, Sgmn Co, 14 Apr (HDB). **Others** (south): 4, u Effingham Co, all season through 25 Apr (MAH).

Tufted Titmouse

MC: 32, Clinton Co, 5 May (KM); 30, Sgmn Co, 14 Apr (HDB); 10, Palos, 2 May (DFS).

Red-breasted Nuthatch

EA: 27 Apr (2), JP (DES, MS); 2 May, Maple Grove FP (Du Page Co) (UG); 4 May, Grant P (TS). **MC:** 2, JP, 27 Apr (DES, MS). **LD:** 13 May, Stickney Run (McHenry Co) (DFS); 12 May, Sgmn Co (HDB) — the only report outside n IL; 10 May, Montrose (WS). **Others** (presumably overwintering): 1 Mar-14 Apr,

Woodridge (Du Page Co) (MBC); 3 Mar, M.Arb (UG). Not a flight year.

White-breasted Nuthatch

MC: 17, Sgmn Co, 14 Apr (HDB); 12, Palos, 2 May (DFS); 9, Clinton Co, 5 May (KM). **Other** (vagrant): 10 Apr, JP (VF).

Brown Creeper

EA: 28 Mar, JP (PC); 5 Apr, Bushnell (McDonough Co) (LLH). **MC:** 17, JP, 9 Apr (PC, BH); 10, Greene Valley FP (Du Page Co), 7 Apr (UG); 10, Grant P, 9 Apr (DFS); 4, Sgmn Co, 11 Apr (HDB); 3, Fort Massac SP (Massac Co), 5 Apr (KM). **LD:** 29 Apr (2), JP (PC); 21 Apr, CypCrk (FB); 20 Apr, Sgmn Co (HDB). **Others** (summering?): 12 May (2), Sugar R FP (Winnebago Co) (DTW).

Carolina Wren

MC: 11, Massac Co, 22 Apr (KM); 8, Sgmn Co, 6 Apr (HDB); 4, Mahomet (Champaign Co), 5 May (RC). **Others** (north): 19 Mar, Rockford (DTW); 21-27 Apr (territorial male), GrlLakes (EW); 13 May, M.Arb (UG).

Bewicks Wren

EA: 8 Apr, Rockford (DTW); 10 Apr, Beall Wds NPsv & SP (Wabash Co) (LH) — only reports. This species is now virtually extirpated in IL and documentation of sightings is strongly encouraged.

House Wren

EA: 8 Apr, JP (PC, SC) — record early arrival for n IL; 11 Apr, Urbana (RC); 13 Apr (2), Carl.C (DK); 13 Apr (2), Union Co (KM); 13 Apr, Massac Co (FB); 14 Apr, JP (PC, BH); . MC: 32, LCal, 3 May (DFS); 17, Dirksen P (Tazewell Co), 25 May (TL); 15, Carl.C, 19 May (DK); 13, Sgmn Co, 5 May (HDB). **Other:** 3 Apr (wintered?), Harvard (McHenry Co) (DF).

Winter Wren

EA: 3 Mar, LShel (RC); 7 Mar (2), Mermet L (KM); 28 Mar (2), Sgmn Co (HDB); 30 Mar, Ewing P (MH); 4 Apr, JP (PC). **MC:** 7, JP, 9 Apr (PC, BH); 5, Pomona, 4 Apr (KM); 4, Sgmn Co, 6 & 8 Apr (HDB). **LD:** 29 Apr (2), JP (PC); 25 Apr, Carp.P (HDB); 21 Apr, CypCrk (FB). Poor numbers.

Sedge Wren

EA: 27 Apr, CypCrk (FB); 5 May (2), JP (SC, PC); 5 May, Victoria (Knox Co) (KR); 5 May, Moraine View SP (McLean Co) (MR et al.). **MC:** 2, JP, 5 May (SC, PC) — the only high count reported. **LD:** 24 May, JP (KC). Extremely poor numbers; only one record each for Sgmn Co (HDB) and Grant P (DFS).

Marsh Wren

EA: 21 Apr, JP (BH, PC); 26 Apr, Urbana (RC); 5 May (2), Mermet L (FB). **MC:** 3, Evergreen L (McLean Co), 5 May (AC) — the only report greater than two. **LD:** 29 May, Sang.L (HDB); 27 May, Carl.C (DK); 15 May, Wilmette (Cook Co) (EW). Very poor numbers.

Golden-crowned Kinglet

EA: 26 Mar (female), Wash.P (HDB); 28 Mar (2 males), JP (PC). **MC:** 30, Urbana, 6 Apr (RC); 20, Heron Pond (Johnson Co), 5 Apr (KM); 18+, JP, 6 Apr (PC, BH). **LD:** 5 May, Winnebago Co (*J); 5 May, Cook Co (*JEL); 2 May, Anglers P, Bloomington (McLean Co) (MR, TEB); 13 Apr (3), Mermet L (FB); 13 Apr, La Rue-Pine Hills Ecological Area (Union Co) (KM). A weak passage with early departures over most of state.

Ruby-crowned Kinglet

EA: 4 Apr, Wash.P (HDB); 6 Apr (2), Downers Grove (Du Page Co) (UG); 6 Apr (3), JP (BH, PC). **MC:** 40, Urbana, 22 Apr (RC); 37, Sgmn Co, 15 Apr (HDB); 25, I & M Canal (La Salle Co), 8 Apr (DJS); 24, Bemis Wds FP (we Cook Co), 11 Apr (DFS); 11, Jackson Co, 10 Apr (KM). **LD:** 27 May, Ewing P (MR); 17 May, JP (PC); 15 May (2), Grant P (DFS); 13 May, Urbana (RC); 27 Apr, Mermet L (FB); 27 Apr (2), Atwood Ridge (Union Co) (KM).

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

EA: 31 Mar (6), Mermet L; 6 Apr, Ewing P (MH); 7 Apr (4), JP (DD). **MC:** 73, Fort Massac SP (Massac Co), 22 Apr (KM); 26, JP, 26 Apr (PC, BH); 20, Urbana, 22 Apr (RC); 20, Palos, 2 May (DFS).

Eastern Bluebird

EA: 27 Jan, Sgmn Co (HDB) — third earliest migrant report for IL; 3 Mar, M.Arb (UG); 7 Mar, JP (PC); 11 Mar (2), Rockford (DTW). **MC:** 13, Monroe Co, 28 Mar (KM); 13, Sgmn Co, 19 & 30 May (HDB); 7 (migrants), JP, 15 May (SC). **LD:** 4 Jun (male), Grant P (DFS); 22 May (female), JP (PC); 15 May (female), Evanston (EW). Split migration reported from JP, with first passage through 19 Mar (5) (PC, KC) and second passage beginning 23 Apr (male) (PC).

Veery

EA: 25 Apr, Urbana (RC); 25 Apr, Atwood Ridge (Union Co) (KM); 30 Apr, Humboldt P, Chi (AA). **MC:** 25, Evanston, 15 May (JE); 13 (breeding population), Lowden-Miller SF (Ogle Co), 17 May (DFS); 7, Sgmn Co, 12 May (HDB). **LD:** 3 Jun, Rogers P (Chi) (TS); 2 Jun, Urbana (RC); 30 May, Oak R (Sgmn Co) (HDB). Only two singles reported from s IL.

Gray-cheeked Thrush

EA: 22 Apr, Heron Pond (Johnson Co) (KM); 24 Apr, JP (KA, PC); 26 Apr, Urbana (RC). **MC:** 6, Sgmn Co, 11 May (HDB); 6, Evanston, 15 May (JE); 3, Mermet L, 5 May (FB). **LD:** 27 May (2), Carp.P (HDB); 24 May, JP (PC); 14 May, Carl.C (KM); 12 May, Pomona (RSM). Very poor numbers.

Swinsons Thrush

EA: 22 Apr, Urbana (RC); 23 Apr (4), JP (SC, PC); 25 Apr, Pomona (KM); 25 Apr (5), Mermet L (FB). **MC:** 47, Evanston, 15 May (JE); 34, Grant P, 15 May (DFS); 25, Sgmn Co, 12 May (HDB); 7, Carl.C, 9 May (KM). **LD:** into Jun, Sgmn Co (HDB); 7 Jun, Foley Pond, Highland P (Lake Co) (DRD); 5 Jun, Grant P (DFS); 29 May, Urbana (RC); 27 May, Carl.C (DK). A very poor season; absurdly low numbers at JP (PC); season total at Grant P of 73 sightings — about 75% below average (DFS).

Hermit Thrush

EA: 19 Mar, Massac Co (FB); 24 Mar (3), Urbana (RC); 5 Apr (3), JP (PC, KC). **MC:** 25+, JP, 21 Apr (PC); 21, Grant P, 9 Apr (DFS); 14, Urbana, 6 Apr (RC); 13, Sgmn Co, 20 Apr (HDB). **LD:** 12 May (2), JP (PC); 6 May, Maple Grove FP (Du Page Co) (UG); 2 May (2), Wash.P (HDB); 13 Apr (2), Pomona (KM); 13 Apr, Carl.C (DK). Weak passage, with almost no reports from s IL.