

Wood Thrush

EA: **8 Apr.** Sielbecks tract near Mermet L (FB); 17 Apr, Heron Pond (Johnson Co) (KM); 21 Apr (2), Carl.C (DK); 22 Apr, Moraine View SP (McLean Co) (RF); 22 Apr, Urbana (RC); 23 Apr, JP (PC). MC: 16, Clinton Co, 6 May (KM); 12, Bureau Co, 5 May (DFS); 12, Mahomet (Champaign Co), 5 May (RC). LD: 31 May, Grant P (DFS); 16 May, JP (PC).

American Robin

EA: **13 Jan.** Sgmn Co (HDB) — see Remarks; **8 Feb** (9), JP (SC, PC) — ties earliest arrival date for site; 8 Feb (60+), Galesburg (Knox Co) (MB). MC: 1050, Evanston, 7 Apr (EW); 500, Urbana/Champaign (Champaign Co), 17 Mar (RC); 500, Carl.C, 25 Mar (DK); 356, JP, 19 Mar (PC). LD: 3 May (5 migrants), JP (PC). Others: **partial albino:** 16 Apr, Lanark (Carroll Co) (*DW, m.ob.); **dark variants:** Some very dark Robins...all had dark throats, black head, nape and black in back mixed with dark gray, 8 & 25 Mar, Sgmn Co (HDB). **Remarks:** While Bohlens (1989) *Birds of Illinois* notes that [s]pring migration may start as early as mid-January..., the earliest published date in the IL journals prior to this year is 22 Jan 1990.

Gray Catbird

EA: **15 Apr.** Pomona (RSM); 22 Apr, Anglers P, Bloomington (McLean Co) (RF); 22 Apr (5), Adams Sanctuary, Spfld (HDB); 23 Apr (6), JP (SC, PC). MC: **107**, Grant P, 11 May (DFS); 53, JP, 11 May (PC); 34, Carl.C, 9 May (KB); 30, Sgmn Co, 12 May (HDB). LD: 11 Jun, Grant P (DFS); 9 Jun, downtown Chi (EW). Other(overwintered?): 19 Mar, Massac Co (FB).

Northern Mockingbird

EA: 6 Apr (increase), Sgmn Co (HDB); 22 Apr, Montrose (GW); 25 Apr, JP (KC). MC: 9, Sgmn Co, 19 May (HDB); 8, Massac Co, 5 Apr (KM); 7, Kankakee Co, 8 Apr (DFS). LD: 11 May, Grant P (DFS). Other (north): 16-24 May, Skokie (Cook Co) (EW, JE).

Brown Thrasher

EA: **4 Mar** (2), Massac Co (FB) — second earliest IL arrival date; 23 Mar (male), Sang.L (HDB); 24 Mar, Bismarck (Vermilion Co) (RC); 6 Apr, JP (BH, PC). MC: 20, Urbana, 11 Apr (RC); 17, Massac Co, 5 Apr (KM); 16, JP, 24 Apr (PC, KC); 15, Sgmn Co, 11 Apr (HDB). LD: 9 Jun, downtown Chi (EW); 4 Jun, Grant P (DFS).

European Starling

EA: 14 Mar (49 migrants), JP (PC). MC: **10,000**, Carl.C, 24 Mar (DK) — highest spring-season count, suggesting late dissolution of winter roosts; 3000, LCal, 10-11 Mar (WM); 850, Kendall Co, 25 Mar (DFS); 705, Evanston, 7 Apr (EW). LD: 6 Apr (9 — the last discerned migrants of the season), JP (PC). Notably tardy arrival and early departure at JP (PC).

American Pipit (1st passage)

EA: **22 Feb** (5), s Clinton Co (KM) — second earliest IL arrival date; 13 Mar, Sang.L (HDB). MC: **150**, Carl.C, 18 Mar (DK); 40, Carl.C, 10 Mar (DK); 10, Sgmn Co, 1 Apr (HDB). LD: 8 Apr (2), Evanston (EW).

American Pipit (2nd passage)

EA: 13 Apr (14), Heyworth (McLean Co) (MR, RF); 21 Apr (3), CypCrk (FB); 26 Apr (2), Montrose (GW). MC: **150**, Carl.C, 6 May (DK); **80**, Hennepin L, 19 Apr (DFS) — record high count for n IL; 32, Carl.C, 29 Apr (KM); 5, one mile nw of Vermont (McDonough Co), 5 May (LLH). LD: 20 May, JP (PC); 14 May, Carl.C (KM); 1 May, L Spfld (HDB).

Cedar Waxwing (1st passage)

EA: **6 Jan.** Sgmn Co (HDB) — ties for second earliest IL arrival; 7 Feb, JP (PC); 24 Feb, McDonough Co (KM, IOS). MC: 265, Palos, 24 Mar (WS); 100+ (one flock), Boone Co, 1 Apr (AB); 23, Sgmn Co, 8 Mar (HDB); 20, Carl.C, 17 Mar (DK). LD: 8 Apr (8), Evanston (EW); 12 Mar (7), Sgmn Co (HDB).

Cedar Waxwing (2nd passage)

EA: **12 Apr** (3), OFallon (St. Clair Co) (KM) — while data are limited, this appears to be the **earliest published second passage arrival date** by five days; 21 Apr (9), Massac Co (FB); 26 Apr (6), JP (PC, BH); 1 May (13), Sgmn Co (HDB). MC: 73, Evanston, 15 May (EW, JE); 63, JP, 15 May (SC, PC); 51, Sgmn Co, 23 May (HDB); 30, Carl.C, 19-20 May (DK). LD: 15 Jun (2), Grant P (DFS); 30 May (22), Sgmn Co (HDB). Extremely poor numbers — the lowest high counts since 1990.

Blue-winged Warbler

EA: **9 Apr.** Massac Co (FB) — **record early IL arrival** by one day; 13 Apr, Cardondale (Jackson Co) (RSM); 22 Apr (2 males), Spfld (HDB); 24-25 Apr (male), JP (BH, PC). MC: 14, Hoffman Estates and Barrington Hills (Cook Co), 5 May (AA); 10 (breeding population), Lowden-Miller SF (Ogle Co), 17 May (DFS); 9, Pomona & Union Co, 13 Apr (KM); 8, ec Knox Co, 5 May (KR). LD: 19 May, Carl.C (DK, IOS); 10 May, Grant P (TS); 30 Apr (male), Sgmn Co (HDB).

Brewsters Warbler

Two reports. EA: 30 Apr (first generation male), Anglers P, Bloomington (McLean Co) (MR, WCH). LD: 8 May (singing Golden-winged song), Urbana (RC).

Golden-winged Warbler

EA: 25 Apr, Pomona (KM); 27 Apr (male), Columbus P, Chi (AA); 27 Apr (male), Carp.P (HDB). MC: 5, ec Knox Co, 5 May (KR); 4, JP, 11 May (PC, SC). LD: 15 May (2 females), Wash.P (HDB); 15 May, Montrose (GW); 5 May, Mermet L (FB); 5 May, Carl.C (DK). A rather weak passage.

Lawrences Warbler

Two reports. EA: 30 Apr (male, variant lacking black throat patch), Ewing P (MR). LD: 5 May, Henderson Co (*CL).

Tennessee Warbler

EA: **13 Apr.** Heron Pond (Johnson Co) (KM) — **record early IL arrival** by one day; **15 Apr.** Pomona (RSM); 22 Apr, Urbana (RC); 30 Apr (3), JP (PC, BH). MC: 190, ne IL (95 at Swallow Cliffs FP, Palos and 85 at M.Arb), 9 May (DFS); 150, Urbana, 10 May & 11 May (RC); 115, Mahomet (Champaign Co), 5 May (RC, GL); 46, Sgmn Co, 12 May (HDB); 40, Carl.C, 12 May (DK). LD: 29 May (2 females), Adams Sanctuary, Spfld (HDB); 28 May, Urbana (RC); 28 May (2), Bemis Wds FP (wc Cook Co) (DFS); 22 May, Madison Co (KM).

Orange-crowned Warbler

EA: **6 Apr** (ad.), Wash.P (HDB) — second earliest for c IL; **8 Apr.** JP (KC, JSR) — third earliest for n IL; 8 Apr (2), Sielbecks tract near Mermet L (FB); 12 Apr, JP (PC); 20 Apr (2), Urbana (RC). MC: 4, Sgmn Co, 23 Apr (HDB); 3, JP, 25 Apr (PC, BH) & 30 Apr (PC); 3, LCal, 3 May (DFS); 2, Massac Co, 8 Apr (FB). LD: 15 May (male), JP (SC); 13 May, Lincoln Memorial Garden near Spfld (HDB); 22 Apr, Fort

Massac SP (Massac Co) (KM).

Nashville Warbler

EA: **7 Apr.** Grassy L (Union Co) (KM) — **record early arrival by six days**; **12 Apr** (male), L Spfld (HDB) — **record early for c IL** and **second earliest IL arrival**; 15 Apr, Fort Massac SP (Massac Co) (FB); 22 Apr, JP (SC). MC: 23, Evanston, 5 May (EW, TB); 20, Urbana, 27 Apr (RC); 8, Clinton Co, 1 May (KM). LD: 7 Jun, Grant P (DFS); 30 May (male), Oak R (Sgmn Co) (HDB); 14 May, Carl.C (KM). Poor numbers; extraordinarily low Grant P (DFS).

Northern Parula

EA: **4 Apr.** Mermet L (KM); **6 Apr.** Urbana (RC); 7 Apr, Massac Co (FB); **8-9 Apr** (male), JP (JSR, PC, SC,ph.) — third earliest for n IL; 8 Apr (3), Pomona (RSM); 9 Apr (2 males), Sgmn Co (HDB). MC: 14, Union Co, 13 Apr (KM); 5, n Fayette Co, 13 Apr (MAH); 5, Sgmn Co, 27 Apr & 12 May (HDB); 2, JP, 30 Apr (PC, SF) & 2 May (PC). LD: 6 Jun, Lowden-Miller SF (Ogle Co) (DFS); 23 May (male), JP (PC).

Yellow Warbler

EA: 13 Apr, Carl.C (DK); 19 Apr (male), JP (JC); 21 Apr, Kickapoo SP (Vermilion Co) (RC). MC: **62**, Hoffman Estates (Cook Co), 5 May (AA); 38 (breeding population), LCal, 3 May (DFS); 34, Carl.C, 5 May (DK); 8, Sgmn Co, 13 May (HDB). LD: 10 Jun (4), JP (PC); 7 Jun, Grant P (DFS); 16 May, Urbana (RC).

Chestnut-sided Warbler

EA: **22 Apr.** Urbana (RC) — **record early for c IL**, and **second earliest for state**; 25 Apr, Atwood Ridge (Union Co) (KM); 27 Apr, Knox College (MB); 1 May (male), JP (SF, PC). MC: **55**, Urbana, 13 May (RC) — **record high count** excluding SBC data; 18 (breeding population), Lowden-Miller SF (Ogle Co), 17 May (DFS); 16, JP, 11 May (PC, WS); 16, Sgmn Co, 11 & 12 May (HDB); 4, Carl.C, 12 May (DK). LD: 1 Jun, Urbana (RC); 1 Jun (male), JP (PC); 12 May (4), Carl.C (DK).

Magnolia Warbler

EA: 25 Apr, Pomona (KM); 30 Apr, Urbana (RC); 1 May (4 males), JP (BH, SC). MC: 45, Grant P, 11 May (DFS); 25, Urbana, 12 May (RC); 19, JP, 16 May (PC, KC); 15, Sgmn Co, 12 May (HDB); 4, Carl.C, 19 May (DK, IOS). LD: into Jun, Sgmn Co (HDB); 7 Jun (2), Foley Pond, Highland P (Lake Co) (DRD); 5 Jun (young male), Grant P (DFS); 2 Jun, Urbana (RC); 27 May, Carl.C (DK).

Cape May Warbler

EA: **22 Apr.** Urbana (EC) — third earliest IL arrival; 30 Apr (male), JP (PC, BH); 30 Apr (male), Spruce (Sgmn Co) (HDB); 1 May, OFallon (St. Clair Co) (KM). MC: 13, Swallow Cliffs FP, Palos, 9 May (DFS); 10, Sgmn Co, 12 May (HDB); 4, Carl.C, 9 May (KM). LD: **15 Jun** (female), Grant P (DFS) — **latest published IL departure by nine days**; 29 May (female), Grant P (DFS); 22 May (male), L Spfld (HDB); 14 May, Carl.C (KM).

Black-throated Blue Warbler

EA: 30 Apr, Urbana (RC); 1 May (male), JP (BH, PC); 2 May (male), Maple Grove FP (Du Page Co) (UG); 5 May, Jasper Co (*JW et al.) — the only report for s IL. MC: 2, various sites in c and n IL, 2-19 May. LD: **10-14 Jun** (male, singing like a Golden-winged), University of IL at Chicago Medical Center (Cook Co) (CF, DFS) — second latest on record; 4 Jun (female), Grant P (DFS); 31 May (male), JP (PC); 30 May (female), Grant P (TS); 19 May (2 males), Carp.P (HDB).

Yellow-rumped Warbler

EA: 24 Mar (2), Urbana (RC); 5 Apr (2), Argonne National Laboratory (se Du Page Co) (UG); 5 Apr, Sgmn Co (HDB); 6 Apr (6), JP (PC, BH). MC: 175, n of Spoon L (Knox Co), 27 Apr (MB); 156, LCal, 3 May (DFS); 100+, Urbana, 11 Apr & 22 Apr (RC); 90, Massac Co, 8 Apr (KM). LD: 24 May (female), Grant P (DFS); 24 May, Montrose (GW); 17 May (2), L Spfld (HDB); 17 May, Urbana (RC); 14 May (5), Carl.C (KM).

Black-throated Green Warbler

EA: 5 Apr, Fort Massac SP (Massac Co) (KM); **6 Apr** (male), Wash.P (HDB) — record early for c IL; **13 Apr** (singing), Eggers Wds (LCal) (DFS) — second earliest for n IL; 21 Apr (2 males), JP (PC, KC); 21 Apr (2), Massac Co (FB). MC: 20, Urbana, 13 May (RC); 10, JP, 10 May (PC, BH); 8, Kankakee Co, 12 May (DFS); 7, Atwood Ridge (Union Co), 25 Apr (KM). LD: 29 May (male), JP (KC); 27 May, Chinquapin Bluffs Psv (Woodford Co) (TEB fide MF); 9 May, Carl.C (KM).

Blackburnian Warbler

EA: 22 Apr, Massac Co (FB); 26 Apr (male), Sgmn Co (HDB); 28 Apr, Elizabeth A. Conkey FP (s Cook Co) (CA). MC: **30**, Urbana, 12 May (RC) — **record spring high count**; 7, Kankakee Co, 12 May (DFS); 2, Clinton Co, 5 May (KM). LD: 7 Jun (female), Grant P (DFS); 3 Jun (singing male), Rainbow Beach, Chi (DFS); 28 May, Urbana (RC); 19 May, Carl.C (DK, IOS).

Yellow-throated Warbler

EA: 4 Apr, Fort Massac SP (Massac Co) (KM); 7 Apr, Carp.P (HDB); **8 Apr.** I & M Canal (La Salle Co) (DJS) — second earliest for n IL; 8 Apr (3), Carl.C (DK); 11 Apr (2), Urbana (RC); 13 Apr (2), I & M Canal (La Salle Co) (DJS). MC: 11, Jackson Co, 13 Apr (KM); 6, n Fayette Co, 13 Apr (MAH); 3, M.Arb, 5 May (JC); 2, Sgmn Co, 25 Apr (HDB). LD: 13 May, M.Arb (UG); 5 May, Pike Co (*JF). Others (north): 22 Apr, M.Arb (UG); 30 Apr (male), JP (SC, PC); 2 May, JP (KEH); 2 May, Winnebago Co (*MK).

Pine Warbler

EA: 3 Mar, Pomona (KM); 4 Mar (2), L Glendale (Pope Co) (FB); **19-20 Mar.** Rockford (DTW) — second earliest date for n IL; 3 Apr, Ron Beese P, Barrington (Cook Co) (DRD); 11 Apr, Urbana (RC); 14 Apr (male), Carp.P (HDB). MC: 5, Pomona, 1 Apr (KM); 5, JP, 27 Apr (BH); 2, Sgmn Co, 21-24 Apr (HDB); local record season total of 13 sightings at Sgmn Co (HDB). LD: 13 May, Urbana (RC); 5 May, Grant P (TS).



Ring-necked Duck. Bunn Park Golf Course, Springfield, IL. 15 May 2001. Still present as of 8 July 2001. Photo by Dennis Oehmke.