

Co) (EES). **MC:** 75, Bureau Co, 7 May (DFS)—**second highest spring count:** 44, Port Louisa NWR (Mercer Co), 7 May (EWW); 27, Macon Co, 7 May (TAM); 17, Carl.C, 7 May (DMK); 15, JP, 7 May (PRC et al.). **LD:** 28 May, Linc.P (GAW); 25 May, Grant P (DFS).

#### Winter Wren

**EA:** 19 Mar (2), Beall Wds SP (Wabash Co) (RES); 31 Mar (2), Seneca P, Chi (KRW); 1 Apr, Rockfd (DTW); 3 Apr, Rock Springs Center (Macon Co) (TAM). **MC:** 3, Mermet L, 6 Mar (KAM); 2, Montrose H, 16 Apr (GAW). **LD:** 12 May, Grant P (DFS); 29 Apr, LeVasseur P (JBH); 28 Apr, M.Arb. (EES); 17 Apr, Ft Massac (KAM). **Remarks:** A brief and very weak passage of singles only at JP (PRC).

#### Sedge Wren

**EA:** 26 Mar (singing), Robert Ridgway Grassland NPsv, PrRdg (MAH)—**record early arrival by eleven days;** 26 Apr (male), JP (PRC); 30 Apr, Oakwood Btms (Jackson Co) (TAM, MFD, SDB, CAT); 4 May (3), Rock Cut (DTW); 7 May (singing), Sand Creek CA (Macon Co) (TAM). **MC:** 5, Moraine Hills SP (Mc Henry Co), 21 May (KAM); 4, Montrose H, 13 May (GAW). **LD:** 22 May, Kane Co (KAM); 19 May (3), Montrose H (GAW); 7 May, Clinton Co (KAM, RH, DW).

#### Marsh Wren

**EA:** 17 Apr, LGal (WJM); 20 Apr, JP (COG); 28 Apr, PrRdg (CLH); 5 May (singing), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM). **MC:** 5, Mermet L, 4 May (KAM); 4, Afton FP (DeKalb Co), 29 Apr (DJS); 3, McHenry Dam (McHenry Co), 21 May (KAM); 2, JP, 16 May (PRC). **LD:** 8 Jun, Linc.P (GAW); 25 May, Montrose H (GAW). **Other:** 22-29 May (nesting, 3 territories), **Carl.F** (DMK et al.)—first nesting record for Carlyle L (DMK).

#### Golden-crowned Kinglet

**EA:** 19 Mar, JP (PRC); 19 Mar (6), Carl.C (DMK). **MC:** 38, M.Arb., 4 Apr (EES); 29, Jackson Co, 30 Mar (KAM); 14, JP, 3 Apr (GAW); 7, Lodge P (Piatt Co), 31 Mar (RLJ); 5, Kankakee Co, 20 Mar (JBH). **LD:** 7 May (2), **Montgomery Co** (RLJ); 4 May, Montrose H (GAW); 18 Apr, Elsen's Hill (EES); 10 Apr, Pine Hills (Union Co) (KAM); 10 Apr, Carl.C (DMK). **Remarks:** A weak passage at JP (PRC).

#### Ruby-crowned Kinglet

**EA:** 30 Mar, JP (KMC); 30 Mar, Pomona (Jackson Co) (KAM). **MC:** 62, Grant P, 7 May (DEW); 40, JP, 7 May (PRC, BWH); 29, Evanston, 7 May (JIE); 20, Carl.C, 23 & 24 Apr (DMK); 11, Ft Massac, 15 Apr (KAM). **LD:** 21 May, Linc.P (GAW); 17 May, Elsen's Hill (EES); 14 May, LeVasseur P (JBH); 7 May (2), Macon Co (TAM).

#### Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

**EA:** 30 Mar (3), Pomona (Jackson Co) (KAM); 31 Mar, L Spfld (HDB); 10 Apr, M.Arb. (EES); 10 Apr (female), JP (PRC, WDE). **MC:** 94, Union Co, 7 May (SDB); 62, Siloam Springs SP (Adams/ Brown Cos), 7 May (AGD)—**record high count for c. IL;** 61, Massac Co, 17 Apr (KAM); 41, Shelby Co, 7 May (KF); 31, Bureau Co, 7 May (DFS); 20, Deer Grove West FP (Cook Co), 7 May (GAW). **LD:** 28 May, Montrose H (GAW).

#### Eastern Bluebird

**EA:** 5 Mar (2), Durand (Winnebago Co) (DTW); 10 Mar, LeVasseur P (JBH); 12 Mar (10), Stephenson Co (DFS). **MC:** 30, Union Co, 7 May (SDB); 21, McDonough Co, 7 May (LLH); 15, Clinton Co, 7 May (KAM, RH, DW); 2 (males), JP, 10 May (JIE, PRC). **LD:** 5 Jun (female), JP (KMC); 3 Jun (male), Rainbow Beach, Chi (DFS).

#### Veery

**EA:** 30 Apr, Ft Massac (KAM, DMK, CLW); 3 May, LeVasseur P (JBH); 7 May (13), JP (PRC et al.); 11 May (2), Rockfd (DTW). **MC:** 13, JP, 7 May (PRC et al.); 12, Lowden-Miller SF (Ogle Co), 14 May (DFS); 7, Union Co, 7 May (SDB); 6, LeVasseur P, 16 May (JBH). **LD:** 31 May, JP (PRC); 28 May, LeVasseur P (JBH); 21 May, Spilker Wds NPsv (Macon Co) (TAM); 15 May (2), Carl.C (DMK). **Remarks:** Good numbers this year (GAW).

#### Gray-cheeked Thrush

**EA:** 30 Apr (2), Ft Massac (KAM, DMK, CLW); 6 May, Montrose H (GAW); 7 May, Macon Co (TAM); 10 May, Rockfd (DTW). **MC:** 29, Sangamon Co, 9 May (HDB); 13, Union Co, 7 May (SDB); 9, Clinton Co, 12 May (KAM); 6, GAR Wds, River Forest (Cook Co), 20 May (JSA); 6, Ryerson CA (Lake Co.), 14 May (SDB, SLD); 5, Lowden-Miller SF (Ogle Co), 14 May (DFS). **LD:** 1 Jun, JP (PRC); 24 May, LeVasseur P (JBH); 22 May, Springbrook Pr FP (Du Page Co) (KAM); 21 May (2), LShel. (TAM); 21 May, Spilker Wds NPsv (Macon Co) (TAM). **Remarks:** Poor numbers at JP (PRC).

#### Swainson's Thrush

**EA:** 15 Apr, Ft Massac (KAM); 19 Apr, JP (KMC); 24 Apr, Shelby Co (KF); 10 May, Rockfd (DTW). **MC:** 61, Wolf L, 19 May (DFS); 60, Sangamon Co, 15 May (HDB); 43, Union Co, 7 May (SDB); 42, Lowden-Miller SF (Ogle Co), 14 May (DFS); 30, Carl.C, 15 May (DMK); 27, Montrose H, 26 May (GAW). **LD:** 4 Jun, Sangamon Co (HDB); 2 Jun, Grant P (DFS); 29 May (2), LeVasseur P (JBH); 26 May, HL (FRH). **Remarks:** Excellent spring numbers in southern IL (KAM). Migrated through in very good numbers this spring (LLH).

#### Hermit Thrush

**EA:** 6 Mar (likely overwintered), Carl.C (TAM); 30 Mar, Linc.P (GAW); 3 Apr (2), Waterfall Glen FP (Du Page Co) (REF). **MC:** 19, JP, 20 Apr (PRC); 13, Montrose H, 11 Apr (GAW); 10, Sangamon Co, 25 Apr (HDB); 6, Ft Massac, 8 Apr (KAM); 5, LeVasseur P, 29 Apr & 3 May (JBH). **LD:** 12 May, Linc.P (GAW); 11 May, Elsen's Hill (EES); 10 May (2), Spfld (RLJ); 4 May, McDonough Co (LLH); 30 Apr, Ft Massac (KAM, CLW, DMK).

#### Wood Thrush

**EA:** 15 Apr, Ft Massac (KAM); 26 Apr, Shelby Co (KF); 4 May, Grant P (JIE); 7 May, Bakers L (Cook Co) (GAW). **MC:** 33, Union Co, 7 May (SDB); 12, Clinton Co, 12 May (KAM); 9, Grant P, 7 May (DEW); 6, Momence Wetlands (Kankakee Co), 19 May (JBH). **LD:** 1 Jun, Grant P (DFS).

#### American Robin

**EA:** 24 Feb (male), Hyde Park, Chi (PRC); 5 Mar (40), Grundy Co (DFS); 7 Mar (12), Boone Co (AEB). **MC:** 2030, JP, 30 Mar (PRC, BWH); 1050, JP, 19 Apr (PRC); 760, Clinton Co, 7 Mar (KAM); 755+, Evanston, 30 Mar (EWW); 435, Grundy Co, 16 Apr (DFS); 312, Bureau Co, 7 May (DFS); 130, Spring L (McDonough Co), 18 Mar (LLH). **LD:** 9 May (2 migrants), JP (PRC).

#### Gray Catbird

**EA:** 9 Apr, Waterfall Glen FP (Du Page Co) (UWG)—**record early for n. IL;** 23 Apr (2), Germantown (Clinton Co) (DMK); 23 Apr, Ft Massac (KAM); 1 May, Shelby Co (KF); 5 May (3), Montrose H (GAW). **MC:** 57, Wolf L, 19 May (DFS); 43, JP, 18 May (PRC, BWH); 30, Carl.C, 14 May (DMK, KAM); 14, LeVasseur P, 22 May (JBH). **LD:** 3 Jun, Rainbow Beach, Chi (DFS); 30 May (3), Montrose H (GAW).

#### Northern Mockingbird

**EA:** 14 Apr, Adams Co (AGD); 17 Apr (local record early arrival), JP (PRC); 7 May, Deer Grove West FP (Cook Co) (GAW). **MC:** 11, Pembroke Twp (Kankakee Co), 30 May (DFS); 9, Massac Co, 25 May (SDB); 8, Union Co, 7 May (SDB). **LD:** 21 May (2—residents?), IBSP (AFS); 21 May, McCormick Place (Cook Co) (GAW); 10 May, JP (PRC et al.). Well reported from northern IL.

#### Brown Thrasher

**EA:** 26 Mar, Richland Co (RES); 3 Apr, Montrose H (GAW); 6 Apr (2), Spfld (RLJ); 16 Apr, Pecatonica (Winnebago Co) (DTW). **MC:** 32, Grundy Co, 16 Apr (DFS); 20, Carl.C, 14 May (DMK, KAM); 16, McDonough Co, 7 May (LLH); 11, JP, 7 May (PRC); 11, Union Co, 7 May (SDB). **LD:** 28 May, Montrose H (GAW). **Remarks:** The population is the highest I've seen in years (LLH). A weak passage at JP (PRC).

#### European Starling

**EA:** 7 Mar (317 migrants), JP (PRC). **MC:** 3000, Carl.C, 25 Mar (DMK); 1000, Fermilab (EES); 720, Stephenson Co, 12 Mar (DFS); 370, JP, 19 Mar (PRC); 256, Montgomery Co, 7 May (RLJ); 175, Macon Co, 7 May (TAM).

#### American Pipit (1st passage)

**EA:** 5 Feb, nw, Fayette Co (TAM); 6 Feb, Santa Fe Btms (DMK)—the only dates prior to 22 Feb other than the record early arrival on 1 Feb 1995; 20 Mar, Sangamon Co (HDB); 25 Mar (4), Jordan Rd. (Macon Co) (MFD, TAM); 29 Mar, Montrose H (GAW). **MC:** 200, Carl.C, 20 Mar (DMK); 53, Ford/Champaign Co Line, 16 Apr (EWW). **LD:** 23 Apr (2), Ford/Champaign Co line (SDB); 10 Apr (9), nw, of Hoopston (Vermilion Co) (SDB).

#### American Pipit (2nd passage)

**EA:** 23 Apr (14), Jolinson Co (KAM); 27 Apr (2), Bushnell (McDonough Co) (LLH); 1 May, Carl.C (DMK). **MC:** 14, Johnson Co, as above; 14, Montrose H, 5 May (GAW); 10, hear Homer, Vermilion Co, 4 May (SDB); 9, Rockfd Airport quarry, 7 May (DTW). **LD:** 26 May (2), Montrose H (GAW); 22 May (3), Kane Co (KAM, SAC); 12 May, Kerr Twp (Champaign Co) (SDB); 10 May, Sangamon Co (HDB); 7 May (3), Wabash Co (CLH, RES).

#### Cedar Waxwing

**EA:** 17 Mar (2), JP (PRC)—the only report assignable to the traditionally recognized early passage of this species' split migration; 22 Apr (25), O'Fallon (St. Clair) (KAM); 28 Apr (6), Skokie (Cook Co) (JIE); 5 May (22), Montrose H (GAW); 6 May, Sangamon Co (HDB); 18 May (11), Rock Cut (DTW). **MC:** 120, Wauk., 18 May (EWW); 108, JP, 18 May (PRC et al.); 105, LeVasseur P, 28 May (JBH); 50, Carl.C, 15 May (DMK); 45 (in 4 flocks), Port Louisa NWR (Mercer Co), 7 May (EWW). **LD:** 12 Jun (28 southbound), Evanston (JIE); 7 Jun (24), Evanston (JIE). **Remarks:** Absent in southern IL during March & April (KAM). None in March or April (HDB).

#### Blue-winged Warbler

**EA:** 15 Apr, Sangamon Co (HDB)—ties with 1994 for record early arrival for c. IL; 16 Apr, Pomona (Jackson Co) (KAM); 6 May (2 males), JP (COG, PRC); 7 May, Bakers L (Cook Co) (GAW); 10 May, Kankakee Co (JBH). **MC:** 15, Palos, 7 May (CBT)—ties record high count for n. IL; 6+, Cedar Creek (Jackson Co), 29 Apr (SDB, TAM, MFD, CAT); 3, JP, 7 May (SLC, BWH). **LD:** 12 Jun, Montrose H (GAW)—second latest reported migrant date; 15 May (male), JP (DRL); 7 May (2), Carl.C (DMK); 4 May (2), Ft Massac (KAM). "**Brewster's Warbler**": 7 May (male),