

Vesper Sparrow

EA: 17 Mar, Richland Co (CLH); 26 Mar, HL (FRH); 28 Mar, Massac Co (FKB); 31 Mar, Linc.P (KH); 31 Mar, near Sublette (Lee Co) (JEH); 1 Apr (2), L Decatur dredge ponds (MFD, TAM). MC: 22, Ford Co, 22 Apr (DFS); 16, Carl.C, 2 Apr (DMK); 8, Kankakee Co, 15 Apr (JBH); 5, Tolono (Champaign Co), 4 May (SDB); 4, Midewin Pr, 6 May (CMA, GJ); 3, Linc.P, 11 Apr (GAW). LD: 20 Apr, JP (JMP); 15 Apr, IBSP (EWW).

Lark Sparrow

EA: 13 Apr, Big Creek (Fayette Co) (DMK); 15 Apr, Carl.C (DMK); 16 Apr, Letcher Basin Psv (Woodford Co) (MEF); 20 Apr, Linc.P (*vide* GAW); 21 Apr, s. Adams Co (AGD); 22 Apr (2), Pembroke Twp (Kankakee Co) (JBH); 24 Apr, Mermet L (KAM). MC: 5, McDonough Co, 6 May (LLH); 5, Nachusa Grasslands (Ogle Co), 8 May (EWW); 4, Northerly I, 2 May (SJH). LD: 15 May (pair), The Hollows FP (McHenry Co) (ADF); 6 May, Chinq. Bluffs (MEF); 5 May, s. Clinton Co (KAM); 2 May, South Farms (DE); 1 May, Richland Co (CLH); 1 May, JP (PRC, KMC); 28-29 Apr, Mississippi R Levee (Union Co) (SDB, SLD et al.); 29 Apr, Donnelley SFWA (Putnam Co) (UWG).

Savannah Sparrow

EA: 25 Feb, L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 11 Mar, Santa Fe Btms (DMK); 13 Mar, Linc.P (KH); 13 Mar, JP (PRC); 7 Apr (3), Apple River (JoDaviess Co) (SDB). MC: 50, E. Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co), 23 Apr (KAM); 32+, Rollins Savanna FP (Lake Co), 10 May (JS); 25, Spring Creek FP (Cook Co), 2 May (ABA); 23, Nachusa Grasslands (Ogle Co), 8 May (EWW); 15, Vermilion Co, 14 Apr (SDB); 15, Tolono (Champaign Co), 4 May (SDB); 15, Hennepin L, 20 May (SDB, m.ob); 14, Montrose H, 8 May (GAW); 6, Santa Fe Btms, 1 Apr (DMK). LD: 29 May, Linc.P (GAW); 26 May, JP (PRC); 16 May, HL (FRH).

Grasshopper Sparrow

EA: 5 Apr, Wabash Co (RES, CLH); 7 Apr, Pulaski Co (KAM); 11 Apr, Linc.P (RMT); 14 Apr (2), KCP (SDB, IOS); 14 Apr, Sand Creek CA (Macon Co) (TAM, MFD); 15 Apr (8), Kankakee Co (JBH); 7 May (3), Durand (Winnebago Co) (DTW). MC: 32, Midewin Pr, 6 May (CMA, GJ); 19, Nachusa Grasslands (Ogle Co), 8 May (EWW); 11, Wayne Co, 1 May (DFS); 10, Hennepin L, 20 May (SDB, m.ob); 8, Chinq. Bluffs, 6 May (MEF); 7, Union Co, 6 May (SDB); 5, Carl.C, 6 May (DMK). LD: 4 Jun, Grant P (DFS); 29 Apr (male), IBSP (EWW).

Henslow's Sparrow

EA: 1 Apr, Northerly I (SJH)—second earliest IL arrival date; 7 Apr, Pulaski Co (KAM); 13 Apr (5+), Lawrence Co (CLH); 14 Apr (4), KCP (SDB, IOS); 16 Apr, Chinq. Bluffs (MEF); 18 Apr (3), Goose L Pr (DFS); 1 May (2 males), Paul Douglas FP (Cook Co) (CSF); 6 May (2), Rock Cut (JLA *vide* DTW). MC: 40, Union Co, 6 May (SDB); 13, Chinq. Bluffs, 6 May (MEF); 10, Goose L Pr, 23 Apr (UWG); 8, Johnson Co, 29 Apr (KAM, FKB, JDC); 6, Nachusa Grasslands (Ogle Co), 8 May (EWW); 5, Rock Cut, 8 May (DTW). LD: 24 May, Northerly I (SJH). Other: 22 Apr, Clin L (IOS *vide* JSS); 27 Apr (4), Lime Kiln Slough Psv (Pulaski Co) (SDB, SLD).

Le Conte's Sparrow

EA: 6 Mar, Peabody R King FWA (St. Clair Co) (TJD)—third earliest IL arrival date; 19 Mar, PrRdg (CLH); 11 Apr, Linc.P (DKA); 23 Apr, Pecatonica (DTW). M.C.: 15, Clin L, 22 Apr (IOS *vide* JSS), but 5 there, 15 Apr (GSL). LD: 4 May, Montrose H (GAW); 28 Apr, JP (RDM); 20 Apr, Marion Co (CLH); 31 Mar, Pyramid SP (Perry Co) (EWW).

Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow

EA: 12 May, PrRdg (RES, CLH); 16 May, Sgmn Co (HDB). LD: 23-24 May, Montrose H (JMP, JWL, KAM).

Fox Sparrow

EA: 20 Feb (3), HL (KAM); 6 Mar, Chinq. Bluffs (MEF); 8 Mar, Linc.P (RDM); 8 Mar (3), JP (PRC, RDM). MC: 56, Grant P & Northerly I, 31 Mar (DFS); 49, JP, 31 Mar (PRC); 17, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), 1 Apr (JSA); 13, IBSP, 25 Mar (EWW); 11, LeVasseur P, 20 Mar (JBH); 10, South Farms, 29 Mar (SDB); 8, Carl.C, 12 Mar (DMK); 3, Rock Springs Center (Macon Co), 25 Mar (TAM). LD: 20 Apr, JP (JMP); 18 Apr, Kankakee Co (JBH); 15 Apr, Heron Pond SNA (Johnson Co) (KAM); 15 Apr (2), Winnebago Co (DTW); 2 Apr (2), Carl.C (DMK).

Song Sparrow

EA: 8 Mar (23), JP (PRC, KMC). MC: 243, Grant P & Northerly I, 31 Mar (DFS); 65, IBSP, 30 Mar (EWW); 61, Bureau Co, 6 May (DFS); 57, LCal, 6 May (WJM); 45, JP, 31 Mar (PRC); 30, Carl.C, multiple dates in Mar-Apr (DMK); 28, LeVasseur P, 4 Apr (JBH); 24, McDonough Co, 6 May (LLH). LD: 6 May, JP (PRC).

Lincoln's Sparrow

EA: 20 Apr, Northerly I (DFS); 23 Apr, Carl.C (DMK); 23 Apr (2), Horseshoe L CA (Alexander Co) (KAM); 30 Apr, Chinq. Bluffs (MEF); 1 May (6), LeVasseur P (JBH); 1 May (2), Urb (SDB). MC: 32, Grant P, 3 May (DFS); 7, Montrose H, 2 May (GAW). LD: 7 Jun, Montrose H (RDH); 26 May, Kankakee Co (JBH); 26 May (2), Paul Douglas FP (Cook Co) (CSF); 19 May, Sibley Grove NP (Ford Co) (SDB); 17 May, South Farms (SDB); 14 May, Carl.C (DMK).

Swamp Sparrow

EA: 8 Mar, Linc.P (KH); 11 Mar, Chinq. Bluffs (MEF); 26 Mar, HL (FRH). MC: 118, Northerly I, 20 Apr (DFS); 55, Vermilion Co, 15 Apr (SDB, IOS); 52, Montrose H, 20 Apr (GAW); 40, Eckert Wds, Carl.F (DMK, TAM); 40, Clin L, 15 Apr (GSL); 30, Despain Wetland (St. Clair Co), 16 Apr (TJD); 30, Afton FP (DeKalb Co), 30 Apr (DJS); 21, Massac Co, 21 Apr (KAM). LD: 24 May (2), Montrose H (KAM); 23 May (2), Grant P (DFS); 17 May, South Farms (SDB); 6 May (7), Carl.C (DMK).

White-throated Sparrow

EA: 4 Apr (4), Boone Co (AEB); 11 Apr (2), JP (CBA); 11 Apr, Chinq. Bluffs (MEF). MC: 215, JP, 6 May (PRC); 150, Urb, 1 May (SDB, SLD); 85, Massac Co, 15 Apr (KAM); 68, Montrose H, 4 May (GAW); 55, Eggers Wds FP, LCal, 30 Apr (WJM); 42, LeVasseur P, 4 May (JBH); 40, Carl.C, 2 Apr (DMK); 18, Jasper Co, 6 May (RES, CLH). LD: 16 Jun, Grant P (DFS); 4 Jun, JP (PRC); 24 May, Spidler Wds (TAM); 14 May, HL (FRH).

Harris's Sparrow

EA: 6 May (ad.), IBSP (AFS). LD: 7-16 May (ad.), Rollins Savanna FP (Lake Co) (JS:ph, ADF, AFS, JIE, m.ob.).

White-crowned Sparrow

EA: 11 Mar (6), Carl.C (DMK); 1 Apr (4), L Decatur dredge ponds (TAM); 28 Apr, Rockfild (DTW); 29 Apr (4), IBSP (EWW); 29 Apr, Linc.P (KH); 29 Apr, Peru (La Salle Co) (UWG). MC: 380, Grant P, 3 May (DFS); 193, Montrose H, 9 May (GAW); 50, South Farms, 30 Apr (JSS); 45, Wayne Co, 1 May (DFS); 20, Pembroke lwp (Kankakee Co), 6 Mar (JBH); 20, Pyramid SP (Perry Co), 19 Mar (DMK); 15, Henderson & Mercer Cos, 13 May (DJS). LD: 12 Jun (singing), IBSP (CSF); 5 Jun, Montrose H (GAW); 26 May, Kankakee Co (JBH); 23 May, Hampshire FP (Kane Co) (KAM); 14 May (2), Carl.C (DMK); 14 May, HL (FRH).

Dark-eyed Junco

EA: 8 Mar (2), JP (PRC). MC: 269, Grant P & Northerly I, 31 Mar (DFS); 109, IBSP, 30 Mar (EWW); 74, Montrose H, 7 Apr (GAW); 70, LeVasseur P, 20 Mar (JBH); 40, Carl.C, 11-12 Mar (DMK). LD: 14 May, Hopkins Park (Kankakee Co) (GAW); 9 May, Burnidge FP (Kane Co) (ADF); 2 May, Sangchris L SP (Christian Co) (VMK, PW); 1 May, JP (PRC); 30 Apr (2), Rockfild (DTW); 22 Apr, Ft Massac (KAM); 15 Apr (2), Kickapoo SP (Vermilion Co) (SDB, IOS); 9 Apr, HL (FRH). Other: 13-14 Mar (albino), Mendota (La Salle Co) (JIE:ph). "Oregon Junco": 18-21 Mar, Chinq. Bluffs (MEF).

Lapland Longspur

MC: 200+, sw. of Mt. Zion (Macon Co), 5 Mar (TAM); 200, Colfax (McLean Co), 10 Apr (SDB); 70, LeVasseur P, 27 Mar (JBH); 35, DeKalb Co, 23 Mar (DJS). LD: 6 May (6), s. of Charleston (Coles Co) (TDF)—record late for Coles Co (LBH); 15 Apr (10), Tolono (Champaign Co) (SDB, IOS); 15 Apr, Carson Twp (Fayette Co) (TAM); 15 Apr (3), Kankakee Co (JBH); 10 Apr (see above); 30 Mar (10), Afton FP (DeKalb Co) (DJS).

Smith's Longspur

EA: 10 Mar, Sgmn Co (HDB); 25 Mar, Jasper Co (RES). MC: 200, Tolono (Champaign Co), 15 Apr (SDB, IOS); 70, Colfax (McLean Co), 10 Apr (SDB); 50, PrRdg, 26 Mar & 8 Apr (CLH, KAM); 32, Jasper Co, 26 Mar (RES, CLH); 20, Kankakee Co, 22 Apr (JBH); 15, Henning (Vermilion Co), 14 Apr (SDB); 12+, Wabash Co, 5 Apr (CLH); 12, PrRdg (Marion Co), 1 Apr (DTW, IOS). LD: 6 May (3), Tolono (Champaign Co) (RD, but 23 there 4 May [SDB, SLD]); 1 May (female-type), Northerly I (*SJH:ph); 29 Apr, IBSP (EWW); 23 Apr (10), Kankakee Co (JBH). Other: 15 Apr (3), Rt. 51 between Pana & Assumption (Christian Co) (TAM).

Snow Bunting

LD: 1 Apr, IBSP (AFS); 19 Feb, Winthrop H (EWW).

Northern Cardinal

MC: 75, Bureau Co, 6 May (DFS); 60, Carl.C, 2 Apr & 6 May (DMK); 51, Palos, 6 May (WSS); 32, JP, 5 Mar (PRC); 32, Jasper Co, 6 May (RES, CLH); 31, Kankakee Co, 6 May (JBH); 22, McDonough Co, 6 May (LLH).



Harris's Sparrow, Rollins Savanna, Lake County. 14 May 2006. Photo by Eric Walters.