

Ruddy Duck

Breeding: Rollins Sav: 3 broods, 1 w/6 yg, 9 Aug (MJH). Pratts Wayne Wds: 2 pr w/9 yg + 2 other pr, season (PAM). McGinnis Sl: "breeding", season (REF, KDF). Monmouth sewage lagoons (Warren Co): hen w/5 yg, 16 Jul (MJB), then w/4 yg, 30 Jul (PR); likely first nesting at this site. **MC:** 50, Thompson L, Emiquon Psv, 22 Jun (DJM); 27 (20 drakes), Hebron (McHenry Co), 28 Jun (reduced to 7 drakes & 1 hen, 26 Jul) (EWW); 22 & 12, Monmouth sewage lagoons (Warren Co), 16 Jul & 21 Jun (MJB); 11, Monroe Co, 13 Jul (DMK, MSS, KAM); 10 (incl. displaying drakes), ECape Gir., 21 May (SDB); 9 (7 drakes) & 6 drakes, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 18 Jun & 8 Jul (EWW). **Others:** Rollins Sav: 6 ad, 8 Jun (DRD et al.). Coal City (Grundy Co): drake, 12 Jun (DFS). Hennepin L: drake, 1-30 Jun (DFS). La Salle L (La Salle Co): pr, 13 Jul (DJS). Chau: 5 (4 drakes, 1 hen), 11 Jul (RGB, SNB). Sgmn Co: 3 (2 areas), 28 Jun (HDB). Keensburg (Wabash Co): drake, 2 Jul (CLH).

Ring-necked Pheasant

Breeding: Pecatonica (Wbgo Co): hen w/9 chicks, 27 Jul (DTW). Matthiessen SP (La Salle Co): female w/3 chicks, 12 Jul (DJS). **MC:** 26, Allerton B, 1 Jul (EJC); 21, Harristown B, 21 Jun (VMK); 16 males, Milford B, 14 Jun (SDB); 12, Iroquois Co, 14 Jun (GAW); 8 males, Ross Twp (Vmln Co), 28 May (SDB). **Others:** Plum Crk FP: calling male, 19 Jun & 1 Aug (ABA). Butterfld Crk LWR: calling male, 18 Jun (ABA).

Greater Prairie-Chicken

Breeding: PrRdg (Marion Co): 13 ad & 13 yg (one brood), 13 Jun (JWW et al.). PrRdg (Marion Co): 3 ad w/10 juv, 23 Jul (RES). **Others:** PrRdg: 5 ad, 12 Jun (JWW et al.).

Wild Turkey

Breeding: Pecatonica (Wbgo Co): hen w/12 yg, 27 Jul (DTW). Kilbuck Blfs FP (Wbgo Co): 9 (family), 27 Aug (ABA, BD). Warren Co: hen w/3 yg, 30 Jul (PR). Mississippi R Bflands (Monroe Co): hen w/5 chicks, 7 Jun; hen w/6 chicks, 10 Jun (C&PD). Washington Co CA: 4 ad w/8 juv, 5 Jun; nest w/8 eggs (later destroyed by wheat harvest farm machinery), 18 Jun (RLJ). **MC:** 13, Monroe Co, 9 Jul (KAM); 12, Mermet L, 20 Jun (DMK, MSS); 11, Camp Pt B, 29 May (VMK); 8, Divide (Jefferson Co), 16 Jul (RLJ); 6, Cache R SNA (Pulaski Co), 19 Jul (DMK, MSS); 5, Jo Daviess Co (MOON), 22 Jul (JHo); 5, HL, 12 May (EWW). **Others:** Sugar R FP (Wbgo Co): 8 Jun (EWW). ICCA: 2 on 12 Jun (GAW). Santa Fe Btms (Clinton Co): 4 on 12 Jul (DMK, MSS). Carl.C: 4 on 26 Jul (DMK, MSS). Bay City (Pope Co): 15 Jul (DMK).

Northern Bobwhite

Breeding: Pembroke Twp: hen w/10 yg, 2 Aug (GAW). **MC:** 106, PrRdg, 12 Jun (JWW et al.); 93, Martinsville B, 15 Jun (SDB); 91, Kell B, 12 Jun (SDB); 63, PrRdg (Marion Co), 13 Jun (JWW et al.); 31, Pembroke Twp, 4 Jul (DFS); 30, Dudleyville B, 14 Jun (DMK, MSS); 30, Levee Rd, Monroe Co, 21 Jun (DMK, BAH); 27, Camp Pt B, 29 May (VMK); 25 & 24, Panther Crk SFWA, 19 Jun & 1 Jul (KS); 24, Harristown B, 21 Jun (VMK); 22, Waynesville B, 24 Jun (VMK); 20, Jamestown B, 2 Jun (DMK); 18, Columbia B, 8 Jun (KAM); 17 (15 males), Hull (Pike Co), 5 Jun (SDB); 17, Burnt Pr B, 10 Jun (VMK); 15, Stillwell B, 30 May (VMK); 14, Atkinson B (Henry Co), 16 Jun (DFS); 14, Belknap B, 24 Jun (VMK); 13, Jasper Co, 4 Jun (RES); 12, Beaucoup B, 6 Jun (DMK); 12, Carl.C, 24 Jul (DMK); 11, Beaverdam B, 11 Jun (VMK); 10, Levee Rd, Alexander Co, 20 Jun (DMK, MSS); 10, Dogtooth I, 6 Jul (DMK, MSS). **Others:** Nw. Wbgo Co: 3 on 22 Jun (DTW). LeRoy Oakes FP (Kane Co): 16 Jun (BJS, ph). Stark Co: 2 on 20 Jul (CAT). ICCA: 8 on 20 Jun (JBH). Greenbush Twp (Warren Co): 5 males, 16 Jul (SDB). Salt Crk Twp (Mason Co): 8 males, 18 Jul (RLJ). F Glen Psv: several heard, Jun-Jul (MJE). St Morgan B: 8 on 7 Jun (KAM). Massac Co: 7 on 23 Jun (KAM). **Notes:** "More whistling males than I've heard in years" (LLH). Now "extirpated over large areas of east-central IL" (SDB).

Common Loon

NBSO: Crystal L (McHenry Co): 2 on 5 Jun, w/1 molting to breeding plumage & present to 23 Jul (ADF). Ardmore Beach, Chi: sick/injured, 5-6 Jun (CLM et al.). Plainfield (Will Co): male in non-breeding plumage, 2 Aug (but resident said bird had been present "all summer") (MAM, JAS). Bauner M (Fulton Co): non-breeding plumage, 7 Jun (AJ).

Pied-billed Grebe

Breeding: Rollins Sav: 2 broods, 10 Jul (JSS). Burnidge FP (Kane Co): ad w/3 chicks, 9 Jun (HH, GDn). Paul Douglas FP: ad w/3 juv, 30 Jul (CSF). Deadstick Pond, LCal: 2 broods of 1 & 5 yg, 6 Jul (WJM). McGinnis Sl: 5 broods, season (WSS). Mazonia-Braidwd: juv, 27 Jul (JBH ph). L Decatur dredge ponds: 3 nests, 20 Jul (TAM). Spunky Btms Psv (Brown Co): 2 broods, season (TH). Levee Rd, Monroe Co: pr & nest (but nest site flooded by 24 Jun), 4 Jun (DMK ph). Hansonville (Monroe Co): ad w/

small yg, 17 Aug (DJM). **MC:** 34, HL, 27 Jul (KAM); 17, Monroe Co, 13 Jul (KAM); 12, Carl.F, 12 Jul (DMK, MSS). **Others:** Nygren Wetland Psv (Wbgo Co): 3 on 18 Jul (DTW). Harrison (Wbgo Co): in flooded cornfield, 1 Jul (DTW). Almond M FP (Lake Co): 10 Jun (BJS). Sugar Grove (Kane Co): 27 Jul (GAW). Busse F: calling, 29 May (ABA, BD). Poplar Crk FP: calling, 16 Jun (ABA, JV). Goose L Pr: 3 from 21 May-5 Jul (BR). Urb.: 26 Jul (EJC). Keensburg (Wabash Co): 15 Jun (CLH). HL: 6 calling, 22 Jun. Carl.F: 6 calling, 4 Jul (DMK). Kidd L M: 4 calling, 15 Jun (DMK). Levee Rd, Jackson Co: 19 Jul (DMK, MSS). ECape Gir.: 2 calling, 21 May (SDB). Levee Rd, Alexander Co: 2 pr, 20 Jun (DMK, MSS). Mermet L: 2 calling, 21 Jun (DMK, BAH). **NBSO:** JP, 12 Jul (KMC).

Horned Grebe

NBSO: Sgmn Co: breeding plumage, 8-13 Jun (HDB).

BROWN PELICAN

L Michigan off Rogers Park, Chi: 11 Jun (APS).

American White Pelican

MC: 1800, L&D #18 (Henderson Co), 29 Jul (MJB); 842 (incl. non-breeding summer residents), Chau, 16 Jul (RGB, SNB); 300, ECape Gir., 13 Jul (CAT, TLK); 190, Mazonia-Braidwd, 26 Jul (but flocks present Jun thru Aug) (JBH); 175, Am. Btms, 24 Jun (C&PD); 148 ad, Kidd L M, 4 Jul (C&PD); 97, Rock Island Co, 16 Jun (DFS); 75, Starved Rock, 28 Jun (RDH); 52, L&D #14 (Rock Island Co), 8 Jul (EWW); 50, Jackson Co, 7 Jul (KAM); 45, Lost Mound, 13 Jun (SDB). **Others:** Freeport (Stephenson Co): 8 Jun (EWW). Savanna (Carroll Co): 3 on 6 Jul (TB). Rockton & Durand (Wbgo Co): 1 at each site, 15 Jun (DTW). Fox R, St Charles (Kane Co): 2 on 11 Jun (TMB). Bakers L, Barrington (Cook Co): 25 on 24 Jun (JCB). Sterling (Whiteside Co): 15 on 7 Jun (EWW). Erie (Whiteside Co): 6 on 11 Jul (SDB). Des Plaines R widewaters, Channahon (Will Co): 27 on 16 Jul (CBT). Heidecke L (Grundy Co): 14 on 13 Jul (AAA). Zuma Twp (Rock Island Co): 40-50 on 10-19 Jul (SDB). Nauvoo (Hancock Co): 26 on 10 Jul (SDB). Sgmn Co: ad, 23 Jun (HDB). Granite City (Madison Co): 6 on 1 Jul (DMK). Monroe Co: 23 on 1 Jul (KAM). Carl.F: 7 on 4 Jul (DMK). Dogtooth I: 6 on 6 Jul (DMK, MSS).

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT

HL: 22 Jun (FRH ph, JPZ, WMR); third consecutive year at this site.

Double-crested Cormorant

Breeding: IBSP: 21 nests (first time nesting here), 1 Jun (EWW). Bakers L, Barrington (Cook Co): 200 ad, 18 May; 130 ad at 44 nests w/182 visible yg, 9 Aug (ABA); 622 ad & yg at rookery, 28 Jun (GAW). Worley L (Tazewell Co): nest w/one dead bird in heron rookery, 26 Jun (MS et al.). Carl.F: ads incubating in hundreds of nests in dead trees on several islands being photographed from plane, Jun (MJ). **MC:** 1200, Carl.F, 4-26 Jul (DMK & MSS); 622, Bakers L, as above; 330, Mazonia-Braidwd, 26 Jul (JBH); 265, L Renwick (Will Co), 27 Jul (GAW); 186, Chau, 20 Jun (RGB, SNB); 150, La Salle L (La Salle Co), 13 Jul (DJS); 96 (likely nested nearby on Wilson Ave water intake crib in L Michigan; nest structures visible), Chi, 1 Jul (GAW); 50, L&D #14 (Rock Island Co), 8 Jul (EWW); 20, Mermet L, 6 Jul (DMK, MSS). **Others:** Ridott (Stephenson Co): 18 on 8 Jun (EWW); 4 (incl. 2 imm), 2 Aug (DTW). Rollins Sav: 5 on 8 Jun (DRD et al.). Almond M FP (Lake Co): 9 on 10 Jun (BJS). Busse F: 3 on 10 Aug (ABA). Des Plaines R widewaters, Channahon (Will Co): 15 on 12 Jul (Bsm). East Fork L (Richland Co): 21 Jun (CLH). Wayne Co: 7 Jul (CLH). EstL: 6 on 21 Jun (DMK, BAH). Keensburg (Wabash Co): 3 on 23 Jun; 6 on 10 Jul (CLH). Rend L (Jefferson Co): 6 on 10 Jun (DMK). ECape Gir.: 17 on 7 Jul (KAM).

American Bittern

Rollins Sav: 2 Jun-3 Jul (DRD, EWW ph, JRS). Philip SP: 7 (2 pr, 2 calling ad, juv), season (PAM). Pratts Wayne Wds: 15 (12 calling ad, 2 fledglings, 1 juv; at least 2 pr), late May-late Jul (PAM). Philip SP: 3 calling pr + ad, late May-late Jul (PAM). Shaw's Wetland, Wataga (**Knox Co**): 8 Jun (MJB). Whalon L FP (Will Co): pr, 6 May-period (MAM, JAS). Goose L Pr: 21 May (BR), 5 Jul & 8 Jul (GDh). **Panther Crk SFWA:** 2 on 6 Jun (KS). **Kennekuk P:** 9 Jun (KS). PrRdg: 3 Jun (CLH). West Eden (**Johnson Co**): 19 Jul (DMK, MSS). **Note:** Much increased records, including outside usual range (SDB).

Least Bittern

Breeding: Pratts Wayne Wds: 14 pr, 7 other ad, 10 fledglings, season (PAM). Philip SP: 7 pr, 3 calling ad, 4 fledglings, 2 juv, season (PAM). Goose L Pr: ad & flightless chick, 11 Jul (JAJ). Spunky Btms Psv (Brown Co): 3 breeding pr, incl. nest w/5 eggs, season (TH ph). Kidd L M: ad w/imm, 3 Jun (C&PD). Am. Btms: ad w/imm, 8 Jun (C&PD). **MC:** 45, Pratts Wayne Wds, season (PAM); 23, Philip SP, season (PAM); 16, Kidd L M & Am. Btms, 15 Jun (C&PD); 4 calling, Mermet L, 21 Jun (DMK, BAH). **Others:** Glacial P (McHenry Co): 17 Jul (BJS). Spg Blf FP (Lake Co): pr, 11 Jun (EWW), 1 on