

Jun (WSS). ICCA: 20 Jun (JBH). Nachusa Grs: 18 May (EWW) & 4 Jun (ABH). Buffalo Rock SP (La Salle Co): 3 on 21 Jun (REF, KDF) & 12 Jul (DJS).

Chimney Swift

Breeding: Rockfd: 5 birds collecting nest material from dead limbs, 25 Jun (BCW). Downers Grove (Du Page Co): nesting in neighbor's chimney, season (REF, KDF). Des Plaines (Cook Co): 1 or 2 pr "nested" in bathhouse chimney, w/2 yg fledging ~3 Jul (ABA). **MC:** 100, St Clair Co, 3 Jul (KAM); 66, Kankakee, 11 Jul (JBH); 40, EstL, 1 Jul (DMK); 40, Carl.C, 26 Jul (DMK, MSS); 30, Belleville (St Clair Co), 30 Jun (DMK); 29 (in one chimney), Des Plaines (Cook Co), 12 Jul (ABA); 22, Linc.P, 16 Jul (GAW); 20, Keyesport (Bond Co), 28 Jun (DMK, MSS); 20, Levee Rd, Monroe Co, 8 Jun (DMK); 19, Oak Park (Cook Co), 23 Jul (JSA).

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

Breeding: Downers Grove (Du Page Co): "breeding" in backyard, season (REF, KDF). River Forest (Cook Co): pr, Jun-4 Aug, w/2 juv, 13 Aug (JSA). Palos: female at nest w/2 yg, 28 Jun (WSS). Palos Hills, Palos: female at nest feeding 3 yg, 30 Jun-8 Jul (PD ph). **MC:** 1500, Alto Pass (Union Co), 1 Jul-10 Aug (BSt, PS, *vide* VMK); 126 (at backyard feeders), Mississippi R Biflnds (Monroe Co), 29 Jul (C&PD); 88 (banded, incl. 5 returns from previous years), Trail of Tears SF (Union Co), 2-3 Aug (VMK); 86 (banded, incl. 9 returns from previous years), Fayetteville (St Clair Co), 26 Jun (VMK); 86 (banded, incl. 2 returns from previous years), Valmeyer (Monroe Co), 5 Aug (VMK); 80 (banded, incl. 13 returns from previous years), Siloam Spgs SP (Adams Co), 5 Jul (VMK); 64 (banded, incl. 4 returns from previous years), Millstadt (St Clair Co), 5 Aug (VMK); 54 (banded), New Athens (St Clair Co), 14 Jun (VMK); 47 (banded, incl. 12 returns from previous years), Lincoln's New Salem State Historic Site (Menard Co), 9 Aug (VMK); 42 (banded), New Athens (St Clair Co), 26 Jul (VMK); 34 (banded), Godfrey (Madison Co), 10 Aug (VMK). **Others:** Rockfd: 2 pr & 5 imm in yard, season (DTW). Mundelein (Lake Co): female/imm, 20 Jul (SDB, SLD). Herrick L FP: 2 on 11 Jun (EES). Burnidge FP (Kane Co): male, 28 Jun (EWW, EES). Plum Crk FP: 2 males, 19 Jun (ABA). Busse F: male, 7 Jun (ABA). Wood Dale Grv: male, 19 Jun (ABA). King's Grv FP, Steger (Cook Co): male, 19 Jun (ABA, DR). Poplar Crk FP: female/juv, 27 Jul (ABA). JP: 3 males, 11 Jun & 27 Jul (PRC). Linc.P: 16 Jul (migrant?) (GAW). Montrose H: 26 Jul (migrant?) (GAW). Iroquois Co: 3 on 14 Jun (GAW). Kankakee: 3 on 22 Jun (JBH). Shoal Crk Twp (Bond Co): 14 Jun (DMK, MSS). Carl.F: 4 on 28 Jun & 4 Jul (DMK).



*Ruby-throated Hummingbird at nest.
Palos Hills, Cook County. 4 August 2008.*

*A nestling Ruby-throated Hummingbird
awaits food in Palos Hills, Cook County.
Paul Dacko took these photos on 4 August 2008.*

Carl.C: 4 on 12 & 26 Jul (DMK, MSS). Prairie du Rocher (Randolph Co): 4 on 15 Jun (DMK). Pomona: 6 on 7 Jul (KAM). Alto Pass (Union Co): 4 on 23 Jun (KAM). Levee Rd, Union Co: 6 on 20 Jun (DMK, MSS). Mermet L: 4 on 6 Jul (DMK, MSS). **Notes:** Several observers indicated that numbers were lower than noticed in 2007, incl. "radically down from 2007" in Boone Co (AEB); far fewer birds coming to brother's feeders near Marieta (Fulton Co), w/only occasional birds in garden in Bushnell (McDonough Co) (LLH); but, "more observed this summer in [Cook Co] than ever before" (ABA).

Belted Kingfisher

Breeding: Pratts Wayne Wds: 2 pr w/3 & 2 fledglings, season (PAM). Philip SP: pr w/3 fledglings, season (PAM). Lodge P (Piatt Co): copulating, 15 Apr (CKA). Saline Branch Ditch (Champaign Co): pr at nest burrow, 15 Apr (JOS). **MC:** 5, Jake Wolf Memorial Fish Hatchery (Mason Co), 25 Jul (RGB, SNB); 4, Chau, 25 Jul (RGB, SNB); 4, Carl.C, 12 Jul (DMK, MSS); 4, Levee Rd, Monroe Co, 21 Jun (DMK, BAH); 4, Mermet L, 20 Jun & 6 Jul (DMK, MSS); 3, Mazonia-Braidwd, 3 Aug (JBH); 3 (2 males, 1 female), Kankakee, 4 Jun (JBH). **Notes:** Unsuccessful breeding season due to long periods of high water along many statewide streams during the breeding season? "No observations in Cook or Du Page Cos all summer" (ABA).

Red-headed Woodpecker

Breeding: Pecatonica (Wbgo Co): 2 ad w/4 yg, 27 Jul (DTW). Highland Park (Lake Co): pr in yard, Jun-Jul, w/2 juv on 2 Aug; eighth consecutive year w/successful breeding here (DRD). Midlothian Mdw FP (Cook Co): pr at nest cavity & ad at another nest cavity, 18 Jun (ABA, JP, RW). McClaughrey Spgs Wds: nest (in hole used earlier by Hairy Woodpecker), 28 Jun (WSS). Beaubien Wds FP, LCal: pr copulating, 12 Jun, then carrying food to nest, 21 Jun (WJM). Lockport Pr NPsv (Will Co): ad feeding nestlings dragonflies, etc., 2 Jul (BET). Mazonia-Braidwd: 4 (family w/2 juv), 26 Jul (JBH). Chau: ad w/4 juv, 12 Aug (RGB, SNB). **MC:** 34, Pembroke Twp, 4 Jul (DFS); 15, ICCA, 20 Jun (JBH); 14, Fountain Green Twp (Hancock Co), 26 Jun-17 Jul (SDB); 10, Martinsville B, 15 Jun (SDB); 10, Levee Rd, Monroe Co, 21 Jun (DMK, BAH); 8, Durham Twp (Hancock Co), 3-19 Jul (SDB); 8, Dogtooth I, 6 Jul (DMK, MSS); 6, Kankakee R

