

Bull Valley (McHenry Co) (fledgling), 14 Jun (DF); LCal (Big M) (nest), 25 Mar-29 Apr (WM); Sheridan (La Salle Co) (ad. w/ 2 yg.), 18-19 Jul (SDB); TableGr (2 ad. w 1 yg.), 28 Jul (SDB); Ellisville (Fulton Co) (ad. w/ 2 yg.), 27-28 Jul (SDB); Buckley (Iroquois Co) (ad. at nest), 22 Mar (RJ fide SDB); Brownfield Wds (Champaign Co) (yg.), 11 Jul (SDB); Monticello (Piatt Co) (nest), 2 May (SDB); Bath (Mason Co) (2 ad. w/ 1 yg.), 27 Jul (SDB); PrRdg (4 nests), Apr/May (JWW, EK); Alhambra (Madison Co) (ad. w/ 1 yg.), 13 Jul (SDB); New Minden (Washington Co) (nest), 21 Jun (SDB); Kaskaskia R FWA (Randolph Co) (ad. w/ 1 yg.), 13-14 Jun (SDB). **MC:** 13, Spfld, 25 Jun (DB); 11, Monroe Co, 12 Jul (KM); 9, near Huntley (Kane Co), 8 Jul (DJS); 8, Carl.L, 3 Jun (DK).

American Kestrel

Nesting: Rockford airport (pr. w/ 3 fledglings), Jul (DTW). **MC:** 28, Kendall Co, 7 Aug (DS); 27 (5 family groups and 4 singles), Madison Co, 23 Jun (SDB); 14, Kendall/Grundy Cos, 30 Jul (DJS); 13, Spfld, 4 Jul (DB); 12+ (family groups), Fulton Co (26-27 Jul (SDB)); 11, Putnam/Bureau Cos, 16 Jul (DJS); 5, Monroe Co, 12 Jul (KM). "Must have been an excellent year for nesting" (Sgmn Co) (DB).

Peregrine Falcon

Nesting (official report fide MM): Evanston (3 eggs, but nest failed); Chi (Wacker Drive) (3 fledglings); Chi (Hyde P) (4 fledglings); Chi (Lakeview) (1 yg. observed); Chi (Marriot/Allerton Hotel) (2 fledglings); Chi (Broadway/Fisher) (2 fledglings); Chi (Univ. Hall) (2 fledglings); Chi (Jackson St. Prison) (2 fledglings); Venice (Madison Co) (4 fledglings). **Others:** MelPrice, 19 Jun (FH); ESTL, 14 Jun (KM), 30 Jul (DK) & 1 Aug (DK, VK); Sauget (St. Clair Co), 29 Jul (KM, DK, FB).

Gray Partridge — None reported anywhere.

Ring-necked Pheasant

The 2000 pheasant population was practically the same as that of 1999. However, the 2000 index was 35% below the previous 5-year mean and 49% below the 1975-1999 mean (LD). **MC:** 10, Sgmn Co, 25 Jun (DB). First calls heard, 28 Feb (DB).

Greater Prairie-Chicken

Nesting: PrRdg (2 nests), Apr/May (5 broods); May/Jul (JWW, EK). **Others:** n. of Farina (Effingham Co) (5 males on lek), 23 Mar (SS).

Wild Turkey

Nesting: LdnMlr (female & 7 yg.), 3 Jun (DS); Castle Rock SP (Ogle Co) (2 ad. w/ 8 yg.), 14 Jul (AA); Rockton (predated, eggshells and large feathers), 30 Jun (SDB); Pomona (3 ad., 3 yg.), 29 Jul (KM, DK, FB). **MC:** 20 (incl. female & 10 poults), Ava (Jackson Co), 9 Jun (SDB); 15 (incl. female & 6 poults), TableGr, 28 Jul (SDB); 11 (incl. female, 6 poults & 4 full-grown yg.), SandRdg, 10 Aug, (SDB); 11, Pinckneyville (Perry Co), 11 May (SDB); 9 (4 males & 5 poults), Yale (Jasper Co), 1 Jun (RJ fide SDB). **Others:** Spfld (3), 13 Jun (DB); Sang.L (3), 10 Jul (DB); Brighton (Jersey Co) (3), 9 Jun (RJ fide SDB); Lincoln Trail SP (Clark Co) (6), 13 Jul (RJ fide SDB); Flora (Clay Co) (3), 2 Jun (RJ fide SDB); HL, 21 Jun (SDB); Section 8, 7 Jun (SDB).

Northern Bobwhite

The 2000 bobwhite index increased 28% from 1999; this change was statistically significant ($P < 0.05$) statewide and in the s.c. area in particular. However, the 2000 results were 12% below the mean of the past five years and 28% below the 1975-1999 mean (LD). **Nesting:** PrRdg (3 nests), Apr/Jun (JWW, EK). **MC:** 95, Flora, 3 Jun (RC); 41, Camp Point, 1 Jun (VK); 40, Belknap, 8 Jun (VK); 37, Beaverdam L, 7 Jun (VK); 34, Columbia, 15 Jun (KM); 31, Monica, 13 Jun (VK); 31, Burnt Prairie, 6 Jun (VK); 30, Pulaski, 9 Jun (VK); 30 & 23, Spfld, 4 Jul & 11 Jun, resp. (DB); 27, Stillwell, 2 Jun (VK); 19, St. Morgan, 9 Jun (KM); 17, se. Kankakee Co, 1 Jul (DS); 16, Athens, 20 Jun (VK); 14, Alhambra (Madison Co), 13 Jul (SDB); 14, Mason Co, 8 Jun (JH); 12, Broughton, 1 Jun (SDB); 12, Iroquois Co CA, 13 Jun (JH); 12, SangCA, 11 Jul (VK); 11, Creal Springs (Williamson Co), 2 Jun (SDB). **Others:** Ayers NP (Carroll Co) (5), 30 Jul (DTW); Nachusa (male), Jun/Jul (AH); Afton FP (De Kalb Co) (2--first time observed by DJS in De Kalb Co in years), 18 Jun (DJS). First calls heard, 26 Mar (DB).

BLACK RAIL

Springbrook Prairie FP (Du Page Co) (calling male), last noted 22 Jun (JS).

King Rail

Nesting: GooseLPr (ad. & small yg.), 1 Jul (AS). **Others:** Harrison (Wbgo Co) (2 ad.), 20 Jul (SDB); Pulaski Co (2), 13 May (possibly nesting) (KM) and (ad.) 2 Jul (FB).

Virginia Rail

Harrison (Wbgo Co) (3 calling), 20 Jul (SDB); Nelson L M (Kane Co) (5), 7 Jun (DKk); Denny Rd M (Kane Co) (2), 19 Jun (DKk); MorHls (pr.), Jun/Jul (MW); Stickney Run (McHenry Co) (pr.), Jun/Jul (MW); State Line M (McHenry Co), 2 Jun (BS); Pike M (McHenry Co) (2), 1 Jun (BS); Wadley M (Lake Co) (2), 7 Jun (BS); Volo Bog (Lake Co) (3), 31 May (BS) and (calling), 1 & 7 Jul (SDB et al.); Turner L (Lake Co), 7 Jun (BS); Fairfield Rd M (Lake Co) (2), 6 Jun (BS); Cedar L M (Lake Co) (4), 6 Jun (BS); Muirhead Rd M (Lake Co) (pr.), Jun/Jul (MW); Broberg M (Lake Co) (2 pr.), Jun/Jul (MW); PrattsWWds (2), 17 Jun (UG); LCal (Eggers Wds), 6 Jun (DS).

Sora

Nesting: Fairfield Rd M (Lake Co) (3 ad., nest w/o eggs), 6 Jun (BS); Lake Villa (Lake Co) (fledgling), 1 Aug (RB). **Others:** Pike M (McHenry Co), 1 Jun (BS); Wadley M (Lake Co) (2), 7 Jun (BS); Engineer Operator's M (Lake Co), 31 May (BS).

Common Moorhen

Nesting: Nelson L M (Kane Co) (2 nests, 1 w/ 5 eggs), 7 Jun (DKk); Burnidge (2 broods = 11 total birds), 15 Jul (KM); Burnidge (2 pr., 2 nests), Jun/Jul (MW) and (5 yg.), 6-7 Jul (SDB); MorHls (Black Tern M = 3 pr., 2 nests), Jun/Jul (MW); Blk-Crn M (5 pr., 3 nests), Jun/Jul (MW); State Line M (McHenry Co) (6 eggs), 2 Jun (BS); Wadley M (Lake Co) (4 pr., 3 nests), Jun/Jul (MW); MacDonald Wds FP (Lake Co) (ad. & 2 yg.), 29 Jun (SH); LCal (Hegewisch M) (nest = 8 eggs), 14 Jun (DKk); LCal (Indian Ridge M N.) (brood-4 yg.), 17 Jun (WM); LCal (Eggers Wds) (ad. w/ 4 yg.), 6 Jun (DS). **MC:** 15, Nelson L M (Kane Co), 7 Jun (DKk); 11 (ad.), LCal, 18 Jun (WM); 7, RedWgSl, 3 Jun (DTW). **Others:** Stickney Run (McHenry Co) (3 pr.), Jun/Jul (MW); Tamarack Farms (McHenry Co), 2 Jun (BS); St. Athanasias M (McHenry Co), 5 Jun (BS); Almond M (pr.), Jun/Jul (MW); Broberg M (Lake Co) (4 pr.), Jun/Jul (MW); PrattsWWds (2), 17 Jun (UG) & 3 Jul (CW); LCal (Eggers Wds) (2 pr.), Jun/Jul (MW); HL, 25 Jun (FH); Harriss L (Perry Co) (6 calling), 14-15 Jun (SDB); Mermert L, 8 Jul (FB).

American Coot

Nesting: Garden Prairie Slough (Boone Co) (ad. on nest), 21 May (DTW); Blk-Crn M (28 birds incl. brood of 5), 15 Jun (BS); Burnidge (pr. & nest), Jun/Jul (MW); RedWgSl (6 ad., 1 nest), 5 Jul (BS); PrRdg (1 brood), Jun (EK). **MC:** 30, Carl.L, 3 Jun (DK); 25, MTwain (Stump L), 30 Jul (KM); 20, Carl.L (Fayette Co), 5 Jun (KM, DK); 18, Chau, 1 Jul (RBJ, SBj); 18, LCal (Harborside Golf Course), 2 Jun (DS); 15, Nelson L M (Kane Co), 7 Jun (DKk); 11, Spfld, 2 Jun (DB); 9, LCal (Wolf L), 6 Jun (DS); 7, LCal, 18 Jun (WM). **Others:** Wbgo Co: Nygren Wetland (3), 24 Jun-5 Jul (LJ); Kane Co: Burnidge Paul Wolff FP (3), 17 Jul (KM); McHenry Co: MorHls (Black Tern M) (2), 15 Jun (BS); Hartland M (2), 5 Jun (BS); Tamarack Farms (3), 2 Jun (BS); Stickney Run, 8 Jul (BS); St. Athanasias M (2), 5 Jun (BS); Pike M, 1 Jun (BS); Country Club Rd M, 9 Jun (BS); Lake Co: Wadley M (5), 7 Jun (BS); Turner L (2), 7 Jun (BS); Sargeant M (Lake Co) (2), 5 Jun (BS); Lakewood M (3), 5 Jun (BS); Fish Pond L (2), 1 Jun (BS); Developer's M (2), 5 Jun (BS); Almond M (2), 8 Jun (BS) and 18 Jul (CW); Broberg M, 9 Jul (BS); Cuba M FP (6), 22 Jun (RP); Cook Co: Schaumburg (ad.), 24 Jun (AA); McGSI (5), 13 Jun (DKk); LCal (Hegewisch M), 13 Jun (DKk); McLean Co: Heyworth, thru 11 Jun (MF); Sgmn Co: Spfld & Sang.L (1-2 after lakes refilled), Jun/Jul (DB); Madison Co: HL, 2 Jun-1 Aug (FH, DK, m.ob.); Randolph Co: Kaskaskia R FWA (ad.), 14 Jun (SDB); Perry Co: Harriss L (ad.), 14-15 Jun (SDB); Jackson Co: Boskydell (Jackson Co) (ad.), 9 Jun (SDB); Johnson Co, 19 Jun (KM, DK); Massac Co, 19 Jun (KM, DK).