

Eastern Bluebird

Breeding: Midwestern Pr: pr feeding yg, 24 May (JB et al.). Matthiessen SP (La Salle Co): 2 males & female feeding yg in same nest box!, 12 Jul (DJS). Kankakee: 1-2 pr nesting in boxes, 25 May-25 Jul (JBH). Mdwbkr P: nest, 22 Apr, w/nestlings, 21 May (CKA). L of the Wds FP: nest box w/4 eggs, 11 Aug, & female feeding 2 fledglings, 26 Aug (CKA). Champaign Co (3 locations): 85 fledged yg along nest box trails, season (CKA). Champaign Co: many nests in bluebird boxes, incl. 27 yg fledged from 37 eggs, season (JOS). Vmln Co: 2 nests w/newly hatched yg in nest boxes, 28 Apr (JOS). Vmln Co: many nests in bluebird boxes, incl. 210 yg fledged from 287 eggs, season (JOS). Vmln Co: 899 yg fledged from 427 nest boxes monitored thru season (m.ob., *fide* B&BK). Hull (Pike Co): female carrying food, 5 Jun (SDB). Mode (Shelby Co): ad at nest w/4 eggs, 24 Apr (KAF). **MC:** 20, Levee Rd, Monroe Co, 21 Jun (DMK, BAH); 18, Jackson Co, 23 Jun (KAM); 16, Pembroke Twp, 4 Jul (DFS); 16, Beaverdam B, 11 Jun (VMK); 16, Belknap B, 12 Jun (VMK); 14, Mettawa (Lake Co), 27 Jul (SDB, SLD); 13, Pulaski B, 13 Jun (VMK); 12, Simpson (Johnson Co), 15 Jul (DMK); 12, Union Co, 23 Jun (KAM); 10, Carl.C, 24 & 26 Jul (DMK, MSS). **NBSO:** JP: male, 12 Jul (CHG). **Note:** While checking 122 bluebird nest boxes, "most losses of bluebirds were due to competition from House Sparrows and/or House Wrens." (JOS).

Veery

Breeding: Ldn-Mlr: nest w/3 large yg, 2 Aug (DFS). **MC:** 20, Ldn-Mlr, 14 Jun (REF, KDF); 5, Deer Grv FP (Cook Co), 31 May (BR); 4, Swallow Cliff Wds, 7 Jun (DFS); 4, Green Oaks, 9 Jun (and 2 there, 9 Jul) (MJB). **Others:** IBSP: male present in same area as past summers, 22 Jun (EWW). Palos: 23 Jun (WSS). Kankakee R SP: 2, incl. singing male, 30 May (JBH). Miller-Anderson Wds NPsv (Bureau Co): 17 Jun (DFS). Union Twp (Fulton Co): 16 Jul (SDB). Funks Grove (McLean Co): male, 15 & 22 Jun (MJW, AC).

Wood Thrush

Breeding: Andover (Henry Co): female feeding cowbird fledgling, 1 Jul (SDB). Walker Twp: empty nest, 9 Jul, then female on nest with 2 host eggs & 2 cowbird eggs, 18 Jul (SDB). **MC:** 25 (23 males), Walker Twp, 1-18 Jul (SDB); 15, Funks Grove (McLean Co), 22 Jun (MJW, AC); 13, Ldn-Mlr, 14 Jun (DFS); 13, Larue-Pine Hills Ecological Area (Union Co), 23 Jun (KAM); 12 males, Union Twp (Fulton Co), 9 Jul (SDB); 10, Belknap B, 12 Jun (VMK); 9, Panther Crk SFWA, 11 & 19 Jun (KS, TW); 9 (8 males) & 8 males, Renault (Monroe Co), 19 Jun & 15 Jul (RLJ); 8, Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co), 25 Jul (DFS); 8 (6 males), Andover (Henry Co), 20 Jun-1 Jul (SDB); 7, Deer Grv West FP (Cook Co), 28 Jun (GAW); 6 males, Penny Rd Pond, Spg Crk FP, 2 Jun (ABA); 6, Salt Crk Wds, 22 Jun (DFS); 6, Camp Pt B, 29 Jun (VMK); 6, Hunter Twp (Edgar Co), 5 Jul (MPW); 6 males, Honey Bend (Montgomery Co), 2 Jul (RLJ); 6, Orchard Crk (Alexander Co), 6 Jul (DMK, MSS); 5, Beaverdam B, 11 Jun (VMK); 5, Pulaski B, 13 Jun (VMK); 4, Kinnikinnick Crk CA (Boone Co), 26 Jul (EWW); 4 males, Wood Dale Grv, 14 Jun (ABA); 4 males, Plum Crk FP, 19 Jun (ABA); 4, ICCA, 20 Jun (JBH); 4 males, Durham Twp (Hancock Co), 25 Jun-19 Jul (SDB); 4 males, Fayetteville Twp (St Clair Co), 17 Jun (RLJ); 4, Carl.C, 12 Jul (DMK, MSS); 4, Simpson (Johnson Co), 15 Jul (DMK). **Others:** L Le-Aqua-Na: 3 on 26 Jul (CAT). Erin Twp (Stephenson Co): 3 territories, 3 & 19 Jun (SDB). Severson Dells FP (Wbgo Co): 2 on 28 Jun (DTW). Rockfd: 3 on 25 Jul (DTW). Rockfd: scolding ad, 10 Aug (DTW). Rock Cut: 3 on 18 Jul (DTW). Wadsworth Wetlands (Lake Co): 2 on 21 Jun (EWW). Grant Wds FP (Lake Co): 2 males, 25 Jul (BJS). Midfork Sav: male, 28 Jun (SDB, SLD, MJH). Campton FP (Kane Co): 7 & 19 Jun (ABH). Herrick L FP: 2 on 11 Jun (EES). Waterfall Glen: season (REF, KDF). Busse F: 3 males, 29 May (ABA). Grant P: 2 Jun (first Jun record for Grant P) (DFS). Montrose H: 26 Jul (LGM). Nachusa Grs: male, season (ABH). Mazonia-Braidwd: 3 on 3 Aug (JBH). Kankakee R SP: 2 on 30 May (JBH) & 5 Jul (RDH). Pembroke Twp: 3 on 7 Jun (RDH). Independence P, Marquette Heights (Tazewell Co): 4 on 26 Jun (TVL). Milford B: 3 on 14 Jun (SDB). Rock Spgs CA (Macon Co): 23 Jun (TVL). Athens B: 3 on 27 Jun (VMK). L of the Wds FP: 2, incl. counter-singing, 12 May-4 Aug (CKA). Berdan (Greene Co): 3 on 22 Jun-2 Jul (MPW). Beaucoup B: 6 Jun (DMK).

American Robin

Breeding: Songbird Sl: nest w/3 nestlings, 29 May (ABA). Palos: nest w/3 large yg, 11 Jun (DFS). JP: breeding w/numerous yg, season (PRC). Beaverville (Iroquois Co): nest w/4 small yg, 3 May (DFS). Bardolph (McDonough Co): 2 nests on ground in a cornfield, w/2 & 3 eggs, 5 May, & Trivoli (Peoria Co): nest on ground (w/much less mud than typical nest) in cornfield w/2 eggs & 2 newly hatched yg, 7 May; first nests on ground found by this observer in more than 60 years of observation (LLH). Allerton P: nest building, 20 Apr & 6 May (CKA). L of the Wds FP: nest w/eg, 13 Jul (CKA). Mdwbkr P: ads on 2 nests in conifers, 30 Apr; nest w/3 yg on a lightbox, 28 May, then nest at same spot (re-used?) w/3 yg, 24 Jul (CKA);

nest w/3 nestlings, 19 Aug (EJC). Urb.: female feeding nestling, 19 Aug (RLJ). Georgetown (Vmln Co): nest, 10 Apr (MFC). **MC:** 198, LCal, 5 Jun (DFS); 150, Bureau Co, 17 Jun (DFS); 143, Pembroke Twp, 4 Jul (DFS); 142, Stark Co, 20 Jul (CAT); 135, Milford B, 14 Jun (SDB); 135, Jamestown B, 2 Jun (DMK); 117, Dudleyville B, 14 Jun (DMK, MSS); 103, Waynesville B, 24 Jun (VMK); 96, Fairbury B, 5 Jun (VMK); 93, Harristown B, 21 Jun (VMK); 92, Allerton B, 1 Jul (EJC); 90, Martinsville B, 15 Jun (SDB); 82, Kankakee, 11 Jul (JBH); 76, St Morgan B, 7 Jun (KAM); 73, Pontiac B (Livingston Co), 6 Jun (VMK); 72, Beaucoup B, 6 Jun (DMK); 68, Kell B, 12 Jun (SDB); 68, Stillwell B, 30 May (VMK); 67, Burnt Pr B, 10 Jun (VMK); 66, Athens B, 27 Jun (VMK); 60, Carl.C, 24 & 26 Jul (DMK, MSS); 52, Stephenson Co, 26 Jul (CAT); 52, Mazonia-Braidwd, 13 Jul (JBH); 50, Columbia B, 8 Jun (KAM).

Gray Catbird

Breeding: Mundelein (Lake Co): pr feeding 2 fledglings in suburban yard, 8 Aug (SDB). Plum Crk FP: ad feeding juv & pr feeding juv, 1 Aug (ABA). Grant P: nest w/3 small yg, 23 Jun; pr w/3 fledglings, 12 Aug, & second pr w/2 fledglings, 13 Aug (DFS). Palos: pr feeding 2 fledglings, 24 Jun (DFS). L of the Wds FP: juv, 12 Aug (CKA). Mdwbkr P: 4 pr w/fledglings, 22 Jul (EJC). **MC:** 52, Bureau Co, 17 Jun (DFS); 45, Putnam Co, 30 Jun (DFS); 43, Palos, 24 Jun (DFS); 39 (29 males), Spg Crk Hdwaters FP, 21 Jun (ABA); 38 (34 males), Plum Crk FP, 21 Jun (ABA); 36, Whiteside Co, 25 Jul (DFS); 32, Herrick L FP, 11 Jun (EES); 26, Pembroke Twp, 4 Jul (DFS); 25, LCal, 5 Jun (DFS); 19, Fountain Green Twp (Hancock Co), 26 Jun-17 Jul (SDB); 16, ICCA, 20 Jun (JBH); 15 (11 males), Andover (Henry Co), 19 Jun-1 Jul (SDB); 15, Mazonia-Braidwd, 4 Jul (JBH); 13, JP, 2 Jun (PRC); 13, Kankakee, 18 Jul (JBH); 13, Walker Twp, 9-18 Jul (SDB); 12, Erin Twp (Stephenson Co), 3-19 Jun (SDB); 12, Carl.C, 12 Jul (DMK, MSS); 10, Stark Co, 20 Jun (CAT); 10, Lomax Twp (Henderson Co), 3 Jun-11 Jul (SDB); 10, Greenbush Twp (Warren Co), 26 Jun-16 Jul (SDB); 9 males, Penny Rd Pond, Spg Crk FP, 2 Jun (ABA et al.); 9, Monroe Co, 5 Jul (KAM); 8 (5 males), Lost Mound, 13 Jun (SDB); 8, Panther Crk SFWA, 11 Jun (KS, TW); 7, Midfork Sav, 28 Jun (SDB, SLD, MJH); 7, Camp Pt B, 29 May (VMK); 7, Dudleyville B, 14 Jun (DMK, MSS).

Northern Mockingbird

MC: 27, Pembroke Twp, 4 Jul (DFS); 18, Columbia B, 8 Jun (KAM); 15, Dogtooth I, 6 Jul (DMK, MSS); 12, St Morgan B, 7 Jun (KAM); 9, Jamestown B, 2 Jun (DMK); 9, Burnt Pr B, 10 Jun (VMK); 8, Belknap B, 12 Jun (VMK); 7 (6 males), Lost Mound, 13 Jun (SDB); 6, Kell B, 12 Jun (SDB); 6, Pulaski B, 13 Jun (VMK); 6, Levee Rd, Alexander Co, 20 Jun (DMK, MSS). **Others:** Ldn-Mlr: 14 Jun (DFS). Rosehill Cemetery, Cli, 29 Jun-11 Jul (SGS, JWL). Montrose H: 7 Jun (migrant?) (ABB). Rainbow Beach, Chi: 3 Aug (RLS, GN, JD). Leon Corners (Whiteside Co): 7 Jun (EWW). Bureau Co: 3 on 17 Jun (DFS). Midewin Pr: 2 on 12 Jul (JAS). Salt Crk Twp (Mason Co): 4 ad, 1 Jul (RLJ). L of the Wds FP: juv, 24 Aug (CKA). Urb. (2 locations): 17 Jun (CKA) & 22 Jun (ER).

Brown Thrasher

Breeding: Nachusa Grs: ad carrying food, 14 Jun (REF, KDF); Kankakee: 2 pr, 4 Jun; fledgling, 14 Jun (JBH ph). **MC:** 16, Bureau Co, 17 Jun (DFS); 12, Dogtooth I, 6 Jul (DMK, MSS); 11 (10 males), Lost Mound, 13 Jun (SDB); 11, St Morgan B, 7 Jun (KAM); 10, Columbia B, 8 Jun (KAM); 10, Carl.C, 4 Jul (DMK); 9, Herrick L FP, 11 Jun (EES); 8, Kankakee, 22 Jun (JBH); 8, Kell B, 12 Jun (SDB); 8, Dudleyville B, 14 Jun (DMK, MSS); 8, Belknap B, 12 Jun (VMK); 7, Mazonia-Braidwd, 7 Jul (JBH); 7 (6 males), Mulberry Grove (Fayette Co), 13 Jun (RLJ); 7, Martinsville B, 15 Jun (SDB); 6, Beaverdam B, 11 Jun (VMK); 6, Levee Rd, Alexander Co, 20 Jun (DMK, MSS); 5, ICCA, 20 Jun (JBH); 5, Harristown B, 21 Jun (VMK); 5, Athens B, 27 Jun (VMK); 4 (3 singing), IBSP, 23 Jun (DRD); 4 (3 males), n. of Bartel Gr, 18 Jun (ABA, JP, RW); 4 males, Plum Crk FP, 19 Jun (ABA); 4 males, Lomax Twp (Henderson Co), 3 Jun (SDB); 4, Panther Crk SFWA, 19 Jun (KS); 4, Bay City (Pope Co), 15 Jul (DMK).

European Starling

Breeding: Busse F: ad entering cavity & 3 yg juv, 7 Jun (ABA). JP: breeding w/numerous yg, season (PRC). Kankakee: ad carrying food for yg, 27 May; w/eg, 29 May, 14 Jun, 22 Jun (JBH). Champaign Co: nest in bluebird box w/4 eggs, season (JOS). L of the Wds FP: nest building, 30 Apr, & ad carrying food for yg, 24 May & 1 Jun (CKA). Mdwbkr P: fledgling, 10 Jun (CKA). **MC:** 1230, Mommence sod farm (Kankakee Co), 5 Aug (JBH); 750, Big M, LCal, 25 Jul (WJM); 500, Levee Rd, Monroe Co, 8 Jun (DMK); 400, Kendall Co, 29 Jul (DFS); 400, Levee Rd, Alexander Co, 20 Jun (DMK, MSS); 400, Dogtooth I, 6 Jul (DMK, MSS); 361, Pembroke Twp, 12 Jun (GAW); 200, EstL, 1 Jul (DMK); 200, Carl.C, 4-26 Jul (DMK, MSS); 194, Stark Co, 20 Jul (CAT); 192, Columbia B, 8 Jun (KAM); 185, Mazonia-Braidwd, 27 Jul (JBH); 185, Jamestown B, 2 Jun (DMK); 149, Pontiac B (Livingston Co), 6 Jun (VMK); 130, Waynesville B, 24 Jun (VMK); 121,