



Female Chipping Sparrow incubating nest with three eggs in winery grapevines. Oakwood, Vermilion County. 27 May 2007. Photos by Connie Carroll Cunningham.



(singing male), 25 May – 29 Jun (SDB, SLD & EWW resp); Campton Hills Pk (St. Charles, Kane Co) (3; pr & male), 26 Jun – 9 Jul (SAC); Oldfield Oaks FP (DuPage Co) (male), 31 May (REF); Palos, Cap Sauers FP (3); 10 & 23 Jun (JD); Starved Rock SP (LaSalle Co) (3), 16 Jun (RDH); Mackinaw (2), 9 Jun (MFr); MBC, 8 Jun (MFr); Hooper Branch Savanna NP (Iroquois Co) (male), 2 Jun (RDH); Iroquois Co CA, 25 Jun (JHH); Green Oaks FS (Knox Co), 20 Jun (JM); Hancock Twp (Hancock Co) (male), 27 Jun (SDB); BannerMarsh (male), 23 Jun (JM); Mettler Wds NP (DeWitt Co), 25 Jun (TVL); SiloamSpr (2), 29 Jun (AGD); Rock Springs CA (Macon Co) (2), 6 & 20 Jun (TVL); Spittler Wds NP (Macon Co) (male), 16 Jul (TAM).

Scarlet Tanager

Breeding: SwallowCliff (ad @ nest), 13 May (CMA, WS); Mackinaw (male @ nest), 9 Jun (MFr). **MC:** 16, Palos, 29 Jun (DFS); 11, KSP, 20 May – 20 Jun (SA); 11, CaneyCr, 26 May (RR); 9, KankakeeR SP (Will Co), 21 Jun (JHH); 7, PineHills, 15 Jun (KAM); 7, BeanRidge, 6 Jun (RR); 5, Palos, Cap Sauers FP, 10 Jun (JD); 5, CaveVal, 27 May (RR); 5, SouthRip, 28 May (RR). **Others:** LostMound (3 males), 15 Jun (SDB); MoraineHills (4 males), 17 Jun & 6 Jul (SDB); Mackinaw (4), 10 Jun (MFr); Iroquois Co CA (4; 1 pr), 25 Jun (JHH); Rantoul (Champaign Co) (singing male; atypical habitat in town; migrant?), 11 Jul (SDB); Rock Springs CA (Macon Co) (3), 6 & 12 Jun (TVL).

Eastern Towhee

Breeding: Mackinaw (nest w/eggs), 10 Jun (MFr). **MC:** 33, Palos, 29 Jun (DFS); 21, PembrokeTwp, 9 Jun (DFS); 18, GreeneValFP, 9 Jun (JSm); 13, BeaverDam, 13 Jun (VMK); 12, Iroquois Co CA, 25 Jun (JHH); 12 (males), KCP, Jun (MGA); 12, Martinsville, 29 Jun (SDB); 9 (males), LowdMil, 15 Jul (JC); 9, CarlL, 24 Jun (KAM); 8, Pulaski, 15 Jun (VMK); 7, LostMound, 15 Jun (SDB); 6, MissPalis, 9 Jun (VMK et al.); 6, KankakeeR SP (Will Co), 21 Jun (JHH); 6, Mackinaw, 9 Jun (MFr); 6, KSP, 20 May – 20 Jun (SA); 6, CarlL-F, 23 Jun (DMK); 6, sw *White* & nw *Gallatin*, 20 Jun (SDB); 5, Hancock Twp (Hancock Co), 27 Jun (SDB); 5, Kell, 8 Jun (SDB); 5, Belknap, 14 Jun (VMK).

Chipping Sparrow

Breeding: Rockford (pr feeding cowbird), 3 Jul (DTW); Rockford (pr feeding 3 yg), 4 Jul (DTW); Woodridge (DuPage Co) (pr w/nest & 4 eggs in small blue spruce), 25 May (JC); Table Grove (Fulton Co) (ad w/ 2 yg), 18 Jun (KAM); Bloomington (McLean Co) (nest), 25 Jul (MFr); LWds (female carrying nest material), 24 Jun (CA); Champaign (pr feeding 2 juv), 9 Aug (SDB); MeadbrkPk (pr feeding cowbird fledgling), 12 Jul (CA); Oakwood (Vermilion Co) (female incubating nest w/3eggs in winery grapevines), 27 May (CCC:ph); St. Joseph (Champaign Co) (ad feeding fledgling), 18 Aug (MPW). **MC:** 54, *Henry*, 25 Jun (DFS); 40, Havana (Mason Co), 21 Jun (SDB); 35, Martinsville, 29 Jun (SDB); 26, Columbia, 9 Jun (KAM); 22, Milford, 1 Jun (SDB); 21, Dudleyville, 3 Jun (DMK); 18, Kell, 8 Jun (SDB); 17, Athens, 30 Jun (VMK); 13, Harristown, 26 Jun (VMK);

13, Pulaski, 15 Jun (VMK); 12, HCP, 16 June (GAW); 12, Waynesville, 25 Jun (VMK); 11, Belknap, 14 Jun (VMK); 10, St. Morgan, 3 Jun (KAM); 10, Jamestown, 2 Jun (DMK); 9, Havana & Sherman Twps, 21 Jun (SDB); 8, *Kankakee*, 27 May (JHH).

Clay-colored Sparrow

MC: 4 & 3 (males), Springbrook Pra FP (DuPage Co), 10 & 16 Jun (JSu, AFS resp); **Others:** Aurora West FP (Kane Co) (2), 24 Jun (SAC); GLPSP, 10 Jun (REF).

Field Sparrow

Breeding: LostMound (pr feeding fledgling), 15 Jun (SDB); GlacialPk (cowbird near nest), 27 May (MFI); Springbrook Pra FP (DuPage Co) (3 pr carrying food), 23 Jun (DTW); MBC (nest w/ 1 sparrow egg, 1 cowbird egg), 8 Jun (MFr); LWds (female carrying nest material & cop w/male), 24 Jun (CA); KCP (6 nests, 4 predated, 2 fledged yg but one fledged 2 cowbirds), Jun/Jul (MGA). **MC:** 76, PembrokeTwp, 9 Jun (DFS); 60, Midewin, 15 Jul (GAW); 46, GreeneValFP, 9 Jun (JSm); 36 (34 males), LostMound, 15 Jun (SDB); 32, GLPSP, 9 Jun (MW); 29, MBC, 8 Jun (MFr); 27, Martinsville, 29 Jun (SDB); 21, AllertonPk, 25 Jun (BC); 20, Kell, 8 Jun (SDB); 18 (17 males), Hancock Twp (Hancock Co), 27 Jun (SDB); 18, PrRdg-J, 12 Jun (JWW, et al.); 16, ShabbonaL SP (DeKalb Co), 22 Jul (DJS); 16 (males), KCP, Jun/Jul (MGA); 15, Dudleyville, 3 Jun (DMK); 15, Royalton, 15 Jun (RR); 13, BeaverDam, 13 Jun (VMK); 13, Columbia, 9 Jun (KAM); 12, Iroquois Co CA, 25 Jun (JHH); 12, PrRdg-M, 13 Jun (JWW, et al.); 11, Havana & Sherman Twps (Mason Co), 21 Jun (SDB); 11, KSP, 20 May – 20 Jun (SA); 10, Belknap, 14 Jun (VMK); 8, Wayne Fitzgerald SP (Franklin Co), 24 Jun (KAM); 8 (7 males), sw *White* & nw *Gallatin*, 20 Jun (SDB); 6, *Cass* (sand prairies), 13 & 21 Jun (TVL).

Vesper Sparrow

Breeding: ne *Stephenson* (ad carrying food), 9 Jun (DTW); MidFork (fledgling), 2 Aug (BC et al.). **MC:** 56, Milford, 1 Jun (SDB); 20, LostMound, 9 Jun (VMK et al.); 20, AllertonPk, 25 Jun (BC); 14, Atkinson, 25 Jun (DFS); 13, Sheffield, 24 Jun (DFS); 9, PembrokeTwp, 9 Jun (DFS); 9, Pontiac, 8 Jun (VMK); 9, Waynesville, 25 Jun (VMK); 6 (4 males), Greenoak (Bureau Co), 30 Jun (EWW); 6, Midewin, 15 Jul (GAW); 6, Harristown, 26 Jun (VMK); 6 (males), Havana Twp (Mason Co), 21 Jun (SDB); 5 (males), New Salem Twp (McDonough Co), 26 Jun (SDB). **Other:** Duck Farm FP (Lake Co) (male), 13 Jun (SDB, MPW). **Southern edge of range:** Martinsville (4 males; one near Eaton [Crawford Co]), 29 Jun (SDB); *Jasper*, 16 Jun (LH).

Lark Sparrow

Breeding: Deer Run FP (Winnebago Co) (carrying nest material), 9 Jun (ASh); Chiquapin Bluffs Pr (Woodford Co) (pr carrying food to nest w/4 yg), 26 May (MW); Mackinaw (pr w/fledgling), 10 Jun (MFr); Indian Creek Twp (White Co) (pr w/one carrying food), 20 Jun (SDB). **MC:** 20, LostMound, 9 Jun (VMK et al.); 14 & 10, PembrokeTwp, 9 & 2 Jun (DFS)