

Female Dickcissel. Buffalo Trace Prairie, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Champaign County. 2 August 2009. Photo by Ivan Petrov.



Northern Cardinal

Breeding: Rockfild (carrying nest material), 2 Aug (DTW); Mundelein (Lake Co) (2 nests of double-brooded pr w/cowbird in each nest & one cardinal in one nest, Jun-20 Jul (SDB, SLD); Wood Dale Grove FP (DuPage Co) (M w/juv), 3 Jul (ABA); East Branch FP (DuPage Co) (F feeding yg), 1 Aug (ABA); Salt Crk Pk FP (DuPage Co) (pr feeding juvs), 11 Jun (ABA); Lake Forest (Lake Co) (pr carrying nest material to arborvitae), 17 Mar (ML); Bode Lks FP (Cook Co) (M feeding cowbird juv), 20 Jun (ABA); The Grove, Glenview (Cook Co) (juv begging for food from ad), 21 Sep (ABA); River Forest yard (Cook Co) (M feeding juv cowbird), 9 Jul (JSA); Jarvis (ad feeding fledgling), 14 Jun (LGM); Montrose (M NOCA & one cowbird fledgling & fledgling (sp?) being fed by ad[s]), 25 Jul & 28 Jul-3 Aug (LGM & GAW resp); MidFork (ad w/cowbird fledgling) 30 Jun (fide EJC). **MC:** 47, Columbia, 7 Jun (KAM); 46, St. Morgan, 6 Jun (KAM); 45, Pulaski, 12 Jun (VMK); 38, Martinsville, 7 Jun (SDB); 37, Belknap, 11 Jun (VMK); 34, Athens, 29 Jun (VMK); 34, BeaverdamL, 10 Jun (VMK); 32, BurntPrairie, 9 Jun (VMK); 30, Kell, 6 Jun (SDB); 28 (22 M), Lakewd, 9-24 Jun (SDB); 24, Dudleyville, 5 Jun (DMK, MSS); 24, CarlL-C, 26 Jul (DMK, MSS); 23, Jamestown, 2 Jun (DMK, MSS); 20 (18 M), Dorr Twp (McHenry Co), 12 Jun-6 Jul (SDB); 20 (18 M), Blairsville Twp (Williamson Co), 5 & 18 Jun (SDB); 15, Beaucoup, 6 Jun (DMK, MSS).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

Breeding: MArb (M feeding fledgling), 22 Jul (M&LN); Cap Sauers (M on nest), 6 Jun (WSS ph); Ramsey L SP (Fayette Co) (fledgling), 1 Jul (DMK ph, MSS). **MC:** 13, LowdMil, 3 Jul (DFS); 10, SwallowCliff, 21 Jun (DFS); 9 (M), PlumCrk, 10 Jun (ABA); 8 (M), King's Grove FP (Cook Co), 10 Jun (ABA); 6, Will/Grundy, 5 Jul (RDH); 6, CarlL-C, 26 Jul (DMK, MSS); 5 (4 M), Dorr Twp (McHenry Co), 12 Jun (SDB); 5, Moraine View SP (McLean Co), 14 Jun (MJW et al.); 5, Dudleyville, 5 Jun (DMK, MSS). **Others:** SpringCrk (3 M), 6 Jun (ABA); NoP (migrant), 3 Jun (GAW); Montrose, 2, & 25-26 Jul (RDH & ABB & MMC resp); Stillwell (3), 2 Jun (VMK); Riverbend (3), 13 Jul (fide EJC). **Southern edge of range:** Orange Twp (Clark Co) (2 M), 7 Jun (SDB); Jasper (2), 12 Jul (DMK, MSS); Jamestown, 2 Jun (DMK, MSS); Montgomery & Fayette, 16 Jun (CAT); Bond, 1 Jun (CAT, TLK); Spring Branch (Bond Co), 15-22 Jun (DMK, MSS); Dudleyville, see above; CarlL-C, see above; Haines, Stephenson & Alma Twps (Marion Co) (3 M), 6 Jun (SDB); Marion, 20 Jul (KAM); Flora (Clay Co) (2 males), 21 Jun (CLH); Columbia, 7 Jun (KAM); Monroe (2), 27 Jun (DMK, MSS).

Blue Grosbeak

Breeding: IBSP (North Unit) (Lake Co) (pr feeding yg @ poorly built nest, containing shreds of plastic ~ 7 ft. above stream), 20 Jul (SDB), w/ pr present since 6-28 Jul (m.ob). 1st Lake County nest, although species bred (@ IBSP) in 2006; Cypress Crk NWR (Union Co) (F on nest w/ 3 host eggs, later fledged 2 yg), 1 Jul (MML, SDB, SLD); CRSNA (Pulaski Co) (pr @ nest w/3 host eggs), 3 Jul (SDB). **MC:** 13 (M), Kell, 6 Jun (SDB); 13, Belknap, 11 Jun (VMK); 11, BeaverdamL, 10 Jun (VMK); 10, Flora (Clay Co), 21 Jun (CLH); 9 (4 pr & M), Johnson, 1 Jul (SDB); 8, Columbia, 7 Jun (KAM); 8, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 11 Jun & 2 Jul (DMK, MSS); 8, KLMSNA, 16 Jul (DMK); 7, Olney (Richland/Wayne Cos), 17 Jun (CLH); 5, PrRdg-J, 10 Jun (JWW, CLH, RES); 5, Pomona, 17 Jun (KAM); 5 (4 M), Levee Rd (Union Co), 2 Jul (SDB). **Others:** IBSP (South Unit) (pr), 28 Jul (SG, CSF, AAA); Midewin (pr), 7 Jun (DJS); La Fox (Kane Co) (pr), 23-25 Jul (JHn); DuPage Twp (Will Co) (M), 20 Jul (MAM); MArb (M), 21 Jun (JDC, MC); TurtleheadL FP (Cook Co) (1st spring M), 6 Jun (PD ph, CBT); Salt Creek Wds FP (Cook Co) (pr, F carrying nesting material & M followed in courtship display), 30 May (SA, DJA); Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co) (M), 13 Jun (EWW); BraidwoodL (ad M), 4 Jun & (imm M) 29 Jun (JHH); Pembroke Twp (2), 24 Jun (DFS); Brookfield Twp (LaSalle Co) (pr), 25 May (DJS); LaSalleL (pr), 11 Jul (SDB m.ob.); Big River SF (Henderson Co) (pr), 11 Jun (DFS); CampPoint (2), 1 Jun (VMK); Athens (2), 29 Jun (VMK); MBC (1st spring M), 23 May-27 Jun (MJW); se. Woodford (several singing M), season (fide MJW). Previously very scarce in area, but not clear if any breeding occurred; Dickson Mounds (Fulton Co) (M), 9 Jun (MJB); Perdueville HA (Ford Co) (2 M), 10 Jul (SDB); Spring Lake Rd (Tazewell Co) (3), 3 Jul (UWG); Emiquon, 7 Jun & 3 Jul (LLH & UWG resp); Hensley Twp (Champaign Co) (M), 30 Jun (SDB); FGP (pr), 8-12 Jul (MFC ph); Monticello (pr), 9 Jun (EJC); Prairie Twp (Crawford Co) (M), 7 Jun (SDB);

Montgomery, 16 Jun (CAT); TwoRivers, 24 Jul (KAM); COR, 24 Jul (KAM); Tamarco Twp (Bond Co) (2 M), 16 Jun (SDB); CarlL-C (4), 26-30 Jul (DMK, MSS); Jamestown (3), 2 Jun (DMK, MSS); Dudleyville (3), 5 Jun (DMK, MSS); ESTL (3), 30 Jun (DMK, MSS, KAM); HL, 5 Jul (FRH); New Athens Twp (St. Clair Co) (singing M on territory), 31 Aug (TD); St. Peter (Marion Co), 13 Jun (DMK, MSS); Laws Crk (Jasper Co), 12 Jul (DMK, MSS); Kaskaskial (Randolph Co) (2), 26 Jul (CAT, TLK); Irvington Twp (Washington Co), 28 Jun (DMK, MSS); Mt. Vernon (Jefferson Co) (M), 19 Jun (SDB); Hamilton Co SF&WA, 19 Jun (DMK, MSS); Herrin (Williamson Co) (3 M), 5 Jun (SDB); Elk Twp (FoxL, Jackson Co)

(M), 4 Jun-1 Jul (SDB); Mill Creek (Union Co) (4, 3 M), 2 Jul (SDB); UCCA (4), 21 Jun (MML); Pulaski (3), 12 Jun (VMK). **Note:** "Much more common in southeast Illinois in last few years" (CLH).

Indigo Bunting

Breeding: Cuba M FP (Lake Co) (pr w/2 juv), 7 Aug (B&B); SongbirdSI (pr w/imm), 5 Aug (ABA); Wood Dale Grove FP (DuPage Co) (pr feeding INBU juv & F feeding juv cowbird), 3 Jul & (pr feeding 2 juv), 23 Jul (ABA); East Branch FP (DuPage Co) (pr w/food for yg), 7 Aug (ABA); MArb (F carrying food), 22 Jul (M&LN) & pr w/fledgling, 21 Jul (J&JZ); CBG (pr w/juv & F w/food for yg), 29 Aug (ABA); PlumCrk (pr cop & 2 F each with food for juvs), 10 Jun (ABA); SwallowCliff (ad carrying food), 1 Jun (WSS); Jarvis (pr carrying food), season (LGM). **MC:** 98, Pembroke Twp, 24 Jun (DFS); 94, Martinsville, 7 Jun (SDB); 83, Kell, 5 Jun (SDB); 52, Milford, 20 Jun (SDB); 52, Dudleyville, 5 Jun (DMK, MSS); 51, Monroe, 25 Jul (CAT, TLK); 50, BeaverdamL, 10 Jun (VMK); 49 (48 M), SniderL & FoxL (Elk Twp, Jackson Co), 17 Jun-1 Jul (SDB); 45, Columbia, 7 Jun (KAM); 45, Jackson, 17 Jun (KAM); 43, Will/Grundy, 5 Jul (RDH); 42, BurntPrairie, 9 Jun (VMK); 40, CarlL-C, 26 Jul (DMK, MSS); 40, Pulaski, 12 Jun (VMK); 39, SwallowCliff, 21 Jun (DFS); 38, Jamestown, 2 Jun (DMK, MSS); 38, Randolph, 26 Jul (CAT, TLK); 36, Belknap, 11 Jun (VMK); 34, Beaucoup, 6 Jun (DMK, MSS); 30, KLMSNA, 16 Jul (DMK); 25 (21 M), LCal, 14 Jun (WJM); 24 (M), Blairsville Twp (Williamson Co), 18 Jun (SDB); 22 (21 M), Dorr Twp (McHenry Co), 10 Jun-6 Jul (SDB); 22, PlumCrk, 10 Jun (ABA); 21, KankakeeR SP (Will & Kankakee Cos), 20 Jun (RDH); 21, St. Morgan, 6 Jun (KAM); 20 (15 M), Palos, 2 Jun (WJM); 20, sw Adams, 4 Jun (AGD); 20 (19 M), Lafayette Twp (Coles Co), 14 Jul (SDB). **Others:** Mid Meadows (16, 14 M), 9 Jun (ABA); JP (4M & 3 territories, but no yg detected), thru season (PRC).

Painted Bunting

ESTL (singing M), 29 Jun (DMK). In historic nesting area.

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Breeding: Perdueville HA (Ford Co) (F carrying food to yg), 10 Jul (SDB). **MC:** 545, Midewin, 8-10 Jun (BG et al.); 158, PrRdg-J, 10 Jun (JWW, CLH, RES); 125, Clement (Marion/Clinton Cos), 23 Jun (DMK, MSS); 103, Beaucoup, 6 Jun (DMK, MSS); 96, PrRdg-M, 11 Jun (JWW, et al.); 81 (67 M), ColesCo Apt, 22 May (SDB); 78, Milford, 20 Jun (SDB); 70, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 2 Jul (DMK, MSS); 69, SFPK, 27 Jun (AH et al.); 62, Kell, 6 Jun (SDB); 56, Martinsville, 7 Jun (SDB); 55 (48 M), Perdueville HA (Ford Co), 10 Jul (SDB); 55, Columbia, 7 Jun (KAM); 50, Jamestown, 2 Jun (DMK, MSS); 40, LostMound, 6 Jun (VMK, et al.); 33, CampPoint, 1 Jun (VMK); 31, Dudleyville, 5 Jun (DMK, MSS); 30, CarlL-C, 26-30 Jul (DMK, MSS); 25, Wabash, 21 Jul (DJS); 24, Moraine View SP (McLean Co), 14 Jun (MJW et al.); 24, St. Morgan, 6 Jun (KAM); 23, Monticello, 9 Jun (EJC); 21, Waynesville, 25 Jun (VMK); 20, BurntPrairie, 9 Jun (VMK); 20, Fairbury, 4 Jun (VMK). **Others:** NW Winnebago (19), 3 Jul (DTW); LSummerset (13), 14 Jun (DTW); Zion (2), 23 Jun (EWW); Waukegan (Lake Co) (4 territories; 1st time known to attempt nesting along lakefront [in empty, weedy lot]), 7-23 Jun (EWW); Rochelle (Ogle Co) (16), 3 Jul (DFS); Nachusa (15), 9 Jun (DRD); Montgomery (Kane Co) (9 M), 23 Jun (SDB); DeerGrove-E (7M), 30 Jun (BJS); PlumCrk (12 M), 10 Jun (ABA); 179th Cen (2 M), 9 Jun (ABA); Chi (Northerlyl) (8M), 2 Jul (DFS); Bensenville (closed landfill) (Cook Co) (M), 8 Jun (ABA); Orland Grasslands (Cook Co) (6), 16 Jun (WSS, SF); Pembroke Twp (18), 14 Jun (RDH); Pulaski (14), 12 Jun (VMK); BeaverdamL (11), 10 Jun (VMK). **Note:** Birds noted @ Montrose on 1,7,22, 24 Jun & 3,7, & 15 Jul (RDH), possibly wanderers mowed out of nesting fields to the north (or south?) (SDB).

Bobolink

Breeding: West Branch FP (DuPage Co) (pr w/3 juv), 4 Aug (ABA); (SongbirdSI) (F w/food for juv), 23 Jul (ABA), MArb (M carrying food for yg into grass), season (WT); BusseWds (F w/food for juv & F w/nearby juv & at least 2 other juv near prs & lots of other juv/imm), 19 Jul (ABA). **MC:**