

Sora

EA: 9 Aug (4), Chau (KM, DK, TM); 16 Aug, Linc.P (JHP). **MC:** 25, Spunky Bottoms (Brown Co), 29 Aug (TM, MD); 25, Chau, 6 Sep (KM) & 11 Oct (GW); 15, Carl.C, 12 Oct (DK); 11, Middle Fork Savanna FP (Lake Co), 2 Sept (SB). **LD:** 22 Oct, Hennepin L (DFS); 19 Oct, HL (FH); 19 Oct, Springbrook Prairie FP (Du Page Co) (UG); 4 Oct, Eggers Woods FP, LCal (DFS).

Common Moorhen

MC: 6, HL, 6 Aug (KM); 2, LCal, 10 Aug (DRD). **LD:** 8 Oct, LCal (DFS).

American Coot

EA: 24 Aug, Channahon (Will Co) (UG); 9 Sep, JP (DC). **MC:** **32,550**, Hennepin L, 9 Nov (C&JMc)—**record Illinois high count** excluding aerial surveys; 3421, Chau, 23 Oct (R&SBj); 2000, HL, 17 Oct (KM); 1500, McGinnis Sl., 3 Oct (WS); 500, Carl.C, 15 Nov (DK).

Sandhill Crane

EA: 18 Sep (5), McGinnis Sl. (WS); 25 Sep (4), Wheaton (Du Page Co) (ES); 8 Nov (2), Carl.C (DK). **MC:** 3100, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 7 Nov (RBs); 195, JP, 30 Nov (PC, SC). **LD:** into Dec.

Black-bellied Plover

EA: 13 Aug, Rkfd (DW); 14 Aug, Carl.F (KM). **MC:** 9, Sanganois State Wildlife Area (Mason/Cass Cos), 11 Oct

(TM); 5, Dunham Road (McHenry Co), 23 Aug (SB, SD); 3, Chau, 28 Aug (SB). **LD:** 1 Nov, Carl.C (DK, FB, KM, TM); 16 Oct, Grant P (DFS).

American Golden-Plover

EA: 9 Aug, Chau (TM et al.); 11 Aug, Rkfd (DW); 2 Aug (4), Carl.F (DK). **MC:** 15, Dunham Road (McHenry Co), 23 Aug (R&AM); 10, Rend L (Jefferson Co), 28 Aug (KM). **LD:** **27 Nov**, GrtLakes (AFS)—ties for record late date; 26 Oct, Carl.F (DK); 25 Oct (7), Linc.P (GW).

Semipalmated Plover

EA: 23 Jul, HL (FH); 28 Jul, Montrose H (RDH); 11 Aug, Rkfd (DW). **MC:** 35, Carl.F, 30 Aug (DK); 25, LCal, 23 Aug (WM, m.ob.); 8, GrtLakes, 13 Sep (DW). **LD:** 11 Oct, Carl.F (DK).

Piping Plover

17 Aug (juv. banded at North Manitou Island, Michigan), Montrose H (RDH); 23 Aug, GrtLakes (RM); 23-30 Aug, Carl.F (DK, MD, TM:ph); 4 Sep, Rend L (Jefferson Co) (FB).

Killdeer

MC: 500, HL, 28 Jul (DK); 325, Carl.L, 28 Aug (KM); 318, Chau, 21 Aug (R&SBj); 227, Cherry Valley (Boone Co), 13 Aug (DW). **Others:** Scarce in JP (PC) and Grant P (DFS).

Black-necked Stilt

MC: **12**, Grassy Slough (Johnson Co), 11-12 Jul (FB). **LD:** 17 Aug (7), Grassy Slough (FB).

American Avocet

EA: 15 Jul (2), Montrose H (LB); 31 Jul, Chau (R&SBj); 3 Aug, GrtLakes (AFS). **MC:** **29**, Clear L, 16 & 29 Oct—species present throughout fall at site (R&SBj)—record fall high count. **LD:** 8 Nov, Clear L (R&SBj); 1 Nov (4), Evanston (WS); 23 Oct, Carl.F (MD, RP).

Greater Yellowlegs

EA: 4 Jul, Carl.C (HDB, DK); 13 Jul, Bolingbrook (Will Co) (UG). **MC:** 33, Clear L, 9 Oct (R&SBj); 16, Carl.F, 30 Aug (DK, MD, TM). **LD:** 22 Nov, Knox Co (DJM); 19 Nov, Hennepin L (DFS), 8 Nov, Carl.C (DK); 6 Nov, Rkfd (DW).

Lesser Yellowlegs

EA: 27 Jun, LCal (DFS); 29 Jun (5), Carl.C (DK); 3 Jul, Greene Valley FP (Du Page Co) (UG); 4 Jul, Rkfd (DW). **MC:** 3032, Chau, 31 Jul (R&SBj); 1800, Clear L, 4 Sep (R&SBj). **LD:** 1 Nov (3), Carl.C (DK, FB, KM, TM); 1 Nov (8), McGinnis Sl. (AA, SP); 25 Oct, Hennepin L (DFS).

Solitary Sandpiper

EA: 5 Jul, LCal (WM); 6 Jul, Pembroke Township (Kankakee Co) (DFS); 12 Jul (2), Carl.F (DK). **MC:** 32, LCal, 23 Aug (WM, m.ob.); 21, Blackhawk FP (Kane Co), 6 Sep (ES); 7, HL, 6 Aug (KM); 6, Carl.C, 20 & 29 Jul, 12 Aug (DK, KM, HDB); 5, JP, 13 Sep (KC); 4, Pecatonica (Winnebago Co), 24 Aug (DW). **LD:** 12 Oct, Thatcher Wds (WM, JA); 11 Oct, Blackhawk FP (Kane Co) (AFS); 17 Sep, Kankakee (JH); 4 Sep, Rend L (Jefferson Co) (KM); 4 Sep, Chau (TM).

Willet

EA: 29 Jun, Carl.C (DK); 25 Jul, Montrose H (AFS). **MC:** 2, Montrose H, 20 Aug (PQ). **LD:** **3 Nov**, Chau (KM); 16 Oct, Clear L (R&SBj).

Merlin, Montrose, Cook County.

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