

Harris's Sparrow

MC: 2, Montrose H, 4 Oct (RDH); 2, Northerly I, 2-6 Oct (DBC, AFS, APS, m ob). **Others:** 8 Oct, Midewin National Tallgrass Pr (Will Co) (JBH); 7 Oct, River Forest (Cook Co) (JSA); 4 Oct, Grant P (DFS); 7 Oct, Montrose H (GAW).

White-crowned Sparrow

EA: 6 Sep, Grant P (DFS); 9 Oct, HL (FRH). **MC:** 198, Linc.P, 9 Oct (GAW); 98, Zion (Lake Co), 8 Oct (EWW); 61, Fermi, 9 Oct (EES); 40, LCal, 9 Nov (WJM); 20, Carl.L, 11 Nov (KAM).

Dark-eyed Junco

EA: 17 Sep, JP (SF, WSS); 22 Sep, Grant P (DFS); 29 Sep, Kankakee (JBH); 1 Oct (2), Carl.L (KAM). **MC:** 341, JP, 27 Oct (PRC); 240, Grant P, 25 Oct (DFS).

Lapland Longspur

EA: 27 Sep, Wauk. (EWW). **MC:** 700, Carl.C, 20 Nov (DMK); 175, Hampshire (Kane Co), 23 Nov (DTW); 85, Ford Co, 11 Nov (DFS).

Snow Bunting

EA: 22 Oct (3), IBSP (AFS). **MC:** 60, Winthrop H, 14 Nov (SDB); 40, Momence (Kankakee Co), 25 Nov (JBH); 27, Montrose H, 28 Oct (GAW); 24, Rainbow Beach, Chi, 2 Nov (CAM). **LD:** 21 Nov, Montrose H (GAW).

Northern Cardinal

MC: 74, Grundy Co, 1 Oct (DFS)—**record fall high count**; 38, Carl.L, 5 Sep (KAM).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

EA: 2 Sep, Montrose H (GAW). **MC:** 23, n. Marshall Co, 17 Sep (DFS); 17, Carl.L, 11 Sep (KAM); 13, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), 24 Sep (JSA). **LD:** 17 Oct, Kankakee (JBH); 8 Oct, Salt Crk Wds (DFS).

Blue Grosbeak

MC: 6, Carl.L, 24 Sep (KAM, CLH, RES); 2, Moultrie Co, 3 Sep (TAM); 2, Carl.C, 3 Sep (DMK). **LD:** 22 Nov, Massac Co (FKB)—**record late date by over a month** (previously 19 Oct 2003), excluding a couple of winter records from feeders; 23 Sep, Moultrie Co (TAM); 5 Sep, Salt Crk Wds (DFS).

Indigo Bunting

EA: 9 Aug, Rainbow Beach, Chi (DFS)—**record early arrival**; see note. **MC:** 47, Carl.L, 6 Aug (KAM); 30, Carl.C, 1 & 15 Oct (DMK); 22, Ford Co, 13 Aug (DFS). **LD:** 4 Nov, Kankakee (JBH); 19 Oct, Scott Co (LLH); 10 Oct, Montrose H (GAW); 8 Oct, JP (PRC). **Note:** Previous data on fall arrivals are extremely sparse in the Illinois journals, with only five published records in 21 years (1984-2004), all from the Chi lakefront and clustered 28 Aug-9 Sep.

Dickcissel

MC: 4, Ford Co, 13 Aug (DFS); 4, Rend L (Jefferson Co), 5 Aug (KAM). **LD:** 11 Sep, Carl.L (KAM); 3 Sep (2), Fishhk (Moultrie Co) (TAM).

Bobolink

EA: 12 Aug, Kankakee (JBH); 17 Aug, Carl.L (KAM). **MC:** 12, Fulton Co, 14 Aug (TAM); 9, Pecatonica (Winnebago Co), 1 Oct (DTW); 5, Kankakee, 20 Aug (JBH); 4, Northerly I, 6 Oct (DFS). **LD:** 10 Oct, Kankakee (JBH); 6 Oct, Montrose H (GAW); 1 Oct, Carl.L (KAM).

Blackbird, sp?

MC: 25,000+ (leaving roost, "probably mostly Red-wings"), Bloomington (McLean Co), 3 Nov (EWW).

Red-winged Blackbird

MC: 10,000, Carl.C, 5 Nov (DMK); 6100+, L&D #13 (Whiteside Co), 15 Oct (EWW); 2600+, Zion (Lake Co), 19 Oct (EWW); 1435, Stephenson Co, 22 Oct (DFS); 1055, Hennepin L, 3 Nov (DFS); 1000+, Fermi, 30 Oct (JSA, WJM).

Eastern Meadowlark

MC: 30, Carl.C, 6 Nov (DMK); 14, Paul Douglas FP (Cook Co) (GAW); 10, Kankakee, 8 Oct (JBH); 10, Ford Co, 13 Aug (DFS).

Western Meadowlark

LD: 4 Sep, Carl.C (DMK); 3 Sep, Kankakee (JBH); 13 Aug, Ford Co (DFS).

Yellow-headed Blackbird

MC: 3, Hennepin L, 25 Aug (DFS).

Rusty Blackbird

EA: 18 Sep, Kane Co (AFS); 29 Sep, Montrose H (GAW); 30 Sep (2), Forest Park (Cook Co) (RAM, ALM); 30 Sep, IBSP (JDC). **MC:** 150, LCal, 29 Oct (WJM); 18, Middlefork Savanna FP (Lake Co), 15 Oct (DRD). **LD:** 17 Nov (2), Montrose H (GAW).

Brewer's Blackbird

MC: 60, Carl.C, 5 Nov (DMK); 15, Dunham Road sod farms (McHenry Co), 21 Aug (KML) & 15 Oct (DJS). **LD:** 27 Nov (2), se Kendall Co (DFS); 25 Nov, Beall Wds SP (Wabash Co) (RES); 4 Nov (male), Grant P (DFS). **Other:** 20 Aug, Downers Grove (Du Page Co) (REF, KDF). **Note:** Pre-Oct records away from known breeding sites presumably involve unconfirmed breeding populations or local wanderers rather than fall migrants.

Common Grackle

MC: 12,000, e. Grundy Co, 3 Sep (DFS); 5900, La Salle Co, 21 Oct (DFS); 2830, Kankakee, 5 Sep (JBH); 2500+, Fermi, 30 Oct (JSA, WJM).

Brown-headed Cowbird

MC: 1500, Carl.C, 30 Oct (DMK); 450, Momence (Kankakee Co), 3 Sep (JBH); 320, se. Kendall Co, 27 Nov (DFS); 300, St. Clair Co, 30 Aug (KAM); 205, Iroquois Co, 13 Aug (DFS).

Orchard Oriole

LD: 3 Sep (2), Moultrie Co (TAM); 20 Aug, Pembroke Twp (Kankakee Co) (DFS).

Baltimore Oriole

EA: 21 Aug, Evanston (JIE). **MC:** 11, JP, 14 Aug (PRC); 10, Kankakee, 18 Aug (JBH); 7, Marshall Co, 25 Aug (DFS). **LD:** 12 Sep, Kankakee (JBH); 11 Sep, Carl.L (KAM); 6 Sep, JP (PRC).

Purple Finch

EA: 11 Sep, Salt Crk Wds (DFS); 20 Sep, Montrose H (GAW). **MC:** 28, Siloam Springs SP (Adams/Brown Cos), 4 Nov (EWW); 14, Kankakee, 26 Oct (JBH); 6, Salt Crk Wds, 23 Oct (DFS).

House Finch

MC: 60, Boone Co, 29 Nov (AEB); 50, Spring L (Carroll Co), 12 Nov (KAM); 48, Grundy Co, 1 Oct (DFS); 45, L&D #13 (Whiteside Co), 15 Oct (EWW); 40, Forest Park (Cook Co), 23 Sep (RAM, ALM); 40, Kankakee, 28 Oct (JBH); 35, Champaign (Champaign Co), 25 Aug (SDB).