

Fox Sparrow

EA: 21 Sep, GrantP (DFS); 4 Oct (2), Urbana (RC); 18 Oct (2), Carl.L (DK). MC: 26, GrantP, 22 Oct (DFS); 16, Spfld, 23 Oct (DB). LD: 6 Dec, Wolf Road Prairie (Cook Co) (DFS).

Song Sparrow

MC: 48, LCal, 9 Oct (DFS); 45, Spfld, 30 Nov (DB).

Lincoln's Sparrow

EA: **25 Aug**, LincP (JL)—**record early fall arrival**. MC: **61**, GrantP, 23 Sep (DFS). LD: 1 Dec, GrantP (DFS).

Swamp Sparrow

EA: 7 Sep (imm.), Wilmette (JE); 23 Sep, Spfld (DB); 26 Sep, Carl.L (DK). MC: 200+, Urbana, 18 Oct (RC); 100+, Pr.Rdg, 13 Oct (JW, EK); 85, GrantP, 23 Sep & 8 Oct (DFS). LD (north): 30 Nov, JP (PC).

White-throated Sparrow

EA: 25 Aug, GrantP (DFS); 10 Sep, Sang.L (DB). MC: 500+, Urbana, 18 Oct (RC); 450, GrantP, 23 Sep (DFS).

Harris's Sparrow

EA: 23 Sep (ad.), GrantP (DFS); 23-27 Sep (imm.), LincP (GW, JL). MC: 3 (imm.), GrantP, 8 Oct (DFS). LD: 12 Nov, JP (KC, PC). Others: 8 Oct, Clin.L (RC); 18 Oct, Pecatonica (BG); 27 Oct, Des Plaines R (Lake Co) (SH).

White-crowned Sparrow

EA: 9 Sep (imm.), JP (PC); 9 Sep (2 imm.), Wilmette (JE); 21 Sep (imm.), Spfld (DB). MC: 110, GrantP, 23 Sep (DFS); 100, Pecatonica, 18 Oct (BG); 80, Pr.Rdg, 28 Nov (JW). "**Gambel's**" subspecies: 27 Sep, LincP (JL).

Dark-eyed Junco

EA: 8 Sep, GrantP (DFS); 9 Sep, Spfld (DB). MC: 376, JP, 21 Oct (PC); 265, GrantP, 8 Oct (DFS); 88, Spfld, 27 Nov (DB). "**Oregon**" form: 22 Nov, Spfld (DB).

Lapland Longspur

EA: **10 Sep** (2), LincP (JL)—**record early fall arrival**; 28 Oct, Sang.L (DB). MC: "thousands," Colfax (McLean Co), 31 Oct (MR); 150+, Vance Township (Vermilion Co), 23 Nov (JOS).

Smith's Longspur

EA: 24 Nov (3—1 male, white wing-crescent seen), Sang.L (DB). LD: 27 Nov, Clin.L (MR).

Snow Bunting

EA: 11 Oct (2), LincP (JL). MC: 167, LSNucPlnt, 29 Nov (CKM, JDM).

Northern Cardinal

MC: 41, LCal, 9 Oct (DFS); 18, O'Fallon, 30 Oct (KM).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

EA: 12 Aug (imm. male), JP (KC). MC: 15, Spfld, 23 Sep (DB); 14, Thatcher Woods FP (Cook Co), 4 Oct (DFS); 12, Carl.L, 26 Sep (IOS). LD: 18 Oct, Carl.L (KM, DK); 11 Oct, Spfld (DB).

Blue Grosbeak

LD: 20 Sep (1 ad., 3 imm.), New Columbia (Massac Co) (FB); 11 Sep (3), MidewinPr (DFS).

Indigo Bunting

EA: 1 Sep, GrantP (DFS). MC: 30, Monroe Co, 4 Aug (KM); 28, Sangamon Co, 4 Aug (DB); 11, MidewinPr, 11 Sep (DFS). LD: 23 Oct, Buckhart (Sangamon Co) (DB).

Dickcissel

MC: 10, Monroe Co, 4 Aug (KM). LD: 14 Oct, Sang.L (DB).

Bobolink

EA: 3 Sep (2), Sang.L (DB); 6 Sep (2), JP (PC). MC: 12, LincP, 27 Sep (JL). LD: 4 Oct (2), Spfld (DB).

Red-winged Blackbird

MC: 5,000 (roost), Spfld, all Oct (DB); 2,500, Rockford, 8 Oct (DW). **Partial albino**: 8 Oct, Sangamon Co (DB).

Eastern Meadowlark

EA: 29 Sep, JP (KC). MC: 100+, Pr.Rdg, all season (JW, EK); 15, MidewinPr, 11 Sep (DFS). LD: 22 Nov, Buffalo (Sangamon Co) (DB); 15 Nov, LSNucPlnt (CKM, JDM).

Western Meadowlark

MC: 3, Momence, 8 Aug (WS).

Yellow-headed Blackbird

EA: 23 Aug (2 females), LChau (KR et al.); 10 Sep (male), JP (PC, BH). LD: 18 Nov (ad.), Lake Villa (Lake Co) (RB).

Rusty Blackbird

EA: **9 Sep**, LCal (DFS); **9 Sep** (female), JP (PC, KC)—**second earliest IL arrival date**; 3 Oct (3), Mermet L CA (FB). MC: 60, Wauk, 24 Oct (DW); 50, Sangamon Co, 27 Nov (DB); 30, HL, 17 Nov (KM). LD: 2 Dec (2), Palatine (Cook Co) (CF).

Brewer's Blackbird

EA: 11 Oct, Urbana (RC). MC: **200+**, Union (McHenry Co), 11 Nov (*BG)—**record fall high count**. LD: 18 Nov (4), Yorkville (Kendall Co) (DFS). Others: 15 Aug (3), Moraine Hills SP (McHenry Co) (KM, SD); 3 Nov (2 females), Sang.L (DB).

Common Grackle

MC: 10,000, Spfld, 22 Aug (DB).

Brown-headed Cowbird

MC: 6,000, Spfld, 3 Oct (DB); 185, MidewinPr, 22 Sep (DFS).

Orchard Oriole

LD: 13 Sep (3 females), Spfld (DB); 26 Aug, MidewinPr (DFS).

Baltimore Oriole

MC: 22, Sangamon Co, 11 Aug (DB). LD: 11 Sep, MidewinPr (DFS).

Purple Finch

EA: 12 Sep, LincP (RC); 27 Sep, Urbana (RC). MC: 15, Urbana, 25 Oct (RC). LD (north): 6 Dec, MidewinPr (DFS).

House Finch

MC: 90, MidewinPr, 8 Oct (DFS).

Red Crossbill

EA: 20 Oct, Palos (DFS). MC: 28, IBSP, 7 Nov (JM, AFS). Other: 11 Nov (male), Bloomington (MR).

White-winged Crossbill

EA: 14 Nov (imm. male), Lyons Woods FP (Lake Co) (JE).

Common Redpoll

EA: 14 Nov (3), Lyons Woods FP (Lake Co) (JE).

Pine Siskin

EA: 7 Oct, Urbana (RC). Other: 15 Aug (at feeder), Ottawa (La Salle Co) (CKM, JDM).

American Goldfinch

MC: **2,000**, IBSP, 12 Nov (DJ et al.)—**record IL high count**; 250, Goose L Prairie SP (Grundy Co), 7 Oct (DFS); 90, Spfld, Oct 9 (DB); 60, HL, 24 Oct (KM).

Eurasian Tree Sparrow

MC: 30, LChau, 29 Aug (DW). Other (extralimital): 14 Nov, **Clin.L** (*MR, AR).