

Fox Sparrow

EA: 23 Sep, JP (SF et al.); 14 Oct, Champn (RC); 14 Oct (3), Putnam Co (DJS); 19 Oct, Carl.L (KM). MC: 25, Bloomington (McLean Co), 27 Oct (RC); 18, JP, 16 Oct (PC).

Song Sparrow

MC: 160, Urbana, 17 Oct (RC) — record fall high count; 80, Carl.L, 20 Oct (DK); 66, Putnam Co, 20 Nov (DFS).

Lincoln's Sparrow

EA: 29 Aug, Linc.P (GW); 13 Sep, Urbana (RC); 16 Sep, HL (FH). MC: 24, Urbana, 17 Oct (RC); 6, Des Plaines River Wetlands Demonstration Project (Lake Co), 18 Sep (SH); 6, Carl.L, 30 Sep (KM); 6, JP, 2 Oct (KC). LD: 3 Nov, Carl.L (DK); 31 Oct, Hennepin L (DFS); 24 Oct (2), JP (BWH).

Swamp Sparrow

EA: 24 Sep, JP (SC); 28 Sep, Urbana (RC); 29 Sep (10), Carl.L (DK). MC: 210, Urbana, 17 Oct (RC); 80, Carl.L, 3 Nov (DK).

White-throated Sparrow

EA: 23 Aug, GrantP (DFS); 9 Sep, Urbana (RC); 30 Sep, O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (KM). MC: 1200, Urbana, 17 Oct (RC) — record fall high count; 166, Carl.L, 19 Oct (KM); 102, JP, 17 Oct (PC, BWH).

Harris's Sparrow

EA: 28 Sep - 4 Oct, JP (KC, m.ob.); 7 Oct (imm.), Urbana (RC). LD: 31 Oct (imm.), Clin.L (RC); 25 Oct, Naperville (UG). Others: 16-17 Oct (imm.), JP (PC et al.); 19-22 Oct, Urbana (CAN, m.ob.); one found dead in JP, no date (GD).

White-crowned Sparrow

EA: 2 Sep, Chi (KW); 28 Sep, Urbana (RC); 30 Sep (3), Carl.L (DK). MC: 105, Urbana, 21 Oct (RC); 40, IBSP, 6 Oct (KM); 20, Carl.L, 3 Nov (DK).

Dark-eyed Junco

EA: 21 Sep (2), IBSP (DJ); 28 Sep, Urbana (RC); 8 Oct, Carl.L (DK). MC: 257, JP, 16 Oct (PC, KC); 180, Putnam Co, 20 Nov (DFS); 150, Urbana, 28 Oct (RC); 50, Carl.L, 4, 9, 11 & 17 Nov (DK). "Oregon Junco": 9 Nov, Pomona (Jackson Co) (RM). "White-winged Junco": 26 Oct (male), Urbana (RC). Editor's note: Bohlen (1989) remarks that "The 'White-winged' Junco, J. h. aikenii, has been reported but not documented." Since then, there has been only one other published report in the Illinois journals (17 Nov 1995, Clin.L), this also undocumented. Nor has this subspecies appeared in any of the published IORC reports, so its status in Illinois remains hypothetical. While there are numerous Illinois records of "Oregon Juncos" in the broad sense, the documentation of extralimital subspecies in the Dark-eyed Junco complex is quite incomplete, and observers are urged to document subspecies when determinable, including "White-winged," "Pink-sided," and "Gray-headed Juncos."

Lapland Longspur

EA: 6 Sep, Linc.P (GW) — record early Illinois arrival by four days; 3 Nov (100), Carl.L (DK). MC: 1650, Carl.L, 11 Nov (DK).

Smith's Longspur

MC: 6, Pr.Rdg, 8 Nov (LH).

Snow Bunting

EA: 17 Oct, JP (PC, BWH); 11 Nov, we. Champaign Co (GPW); 30 Nov, Carl.L (LH). MC: 65, IBSP, 3 Nov (KM).

Northern Cardinal

MC: 47, Putnam Co, 20 Nov (DFS); 43, Carl.L, 21 Aug (KM).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

EA: 18 Aug, Urbana (RC); 18 Aug, Carl.L (DK). MC: 30, Carl.L, 16 Sep (DK); 24, Urbana, 15 Sep (RC). LD: 15 Oct, Putnam Co (DJS); 14 Oct, Urbana (RC); 13 Oct, Forest Park (Cook Co) (UG).

Blue Grosbeak

EA: 4 Aug (male), Carl.L (DK). MC: 3, EstL, 11 Aug (KM). LD: 1 Sep, Crab Orchard NWR (Williamson Co) (C&JM).

Indigo Bunting

EA: 31 Aug, GrantP (DFS). MC: 50, Carl.L, 12 Aug (DK); 25,

Fishhk, 13 Sep (RC). LD: 22 Oct, JP (PC); 21 Oct, Carl.L (DK).

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LD: 6 Aug (summering male, present since 10 May), EstL (DK:ph; IORC8).

Dickcissel

MC: 3, Carl.L, 18 Aug (DK). LD: 30 Sep, Carl.L (KM).

Bobolink

EA: 12 Aug, Carl.L (DK). LD: 21 Sep (6), Carl.L (KM).

Red-winged Blackbird

MC: 30,000, Carl.L, 4 Nov (DK).

Eastern Meadowlark

MC: 31, Monroe Co, 4 Nov (JPZ).

Western Meadowlark

LD: 21 Oct, De Kalb Co (DJS).

Rusty Blackbird

EA: 25 Sep, JP (DC); 14 Oct, Urbana (RC). MC: 100+, Monroe Co, 14 Nov (JPZ); 100, De Kalb Co, 10 Nov (DJS). LD: 23 Nov, HL (FH); 17 Nov (30), De Kalb Co (DJS).

Brewer's Blackbird

MC: 150, Carl.L, 17 Nov (DK) — second highest fall count for Illinois; 20, McHenry Co, 15 Sep (DF). LD: 20 Nov (10), Hennepin L (DFS). Other: 25 Aug, Momence (Kankakee Co) (GW).

Common Grackle

MC: 8000, Carl.L, 11 Nov (DK).

Brown-headed Cowbird

MC: 500, Carl.L, 16 Sep & 17 Nov (DK); 500, St. Clair Co, 18 Sep (KM); 350, Utica (La Salle Co), 10 Nov (DFS).

Orchard Oriole

LD: 26 Aug, McKee Marsh (Du Page Co) (UG); 18 Aug, Carl.L (DK). Other (north): 5 Aug, William W. Powers CA (Cook Co) (CM).

Baltimore Oriole

MC: 13, Carl.L, 21 Aug (KM); 8, Rock Cut SP (Winnebago Co), 25 Aug (DW). LD: 7 Oct, Urbana (RC).

Purple Finch

EA: 15 Sep, Du Page Co (RF, KF); 23 Sep (5), Urbana (RC). MC: 81, Urbana, 17 Oct (RC); 70, Urbana, 21 Oct (RC); 9, Putnam Co, 14 Oct (C&JM).

House Finch

MC: 65, Hillside (Cook Co), 17 Nov (DFS); 50, Urbana, 17 Oct (RC); 30, Carl.L, 23 Nov (DK).

Red Crossbill

EA: 10 Nov (22), IBSP (AFS); 11 Nov (2), Mahomet (Champaign Co) (RC). MC: 42, IBSP, 10 Nov (EW, m.ob.); 7, Mahomet (Champaign Co), 17 Nov (RC et al.). Others: 2 Dec (2), Walnut Point State Fish & Wildlife Area (Douglas Co) (RC); 2 Dec, Allerton Park (Piatt Co) (GL); 3 Dec, Clin.L (RC).

White-winged Crossbill

EA: 30-31 Oct, Vance Township (Vermilion Co) (JOS, m.ob.); 3 Nov (2), M.Arb (MBC). MC: 7, Wauk., 17 Nov (DRD, AFS); 6, M.Arb., 22 Nov (ES, EW). Other: 25 Nov, Urbana (RC).

Common Redpoll

EA: 27 Oct (3), JP (GD, SD). MC: 12, Wilmette, 3 Nov (KM, m.ob.); 4, Clin.L, 14 Nov (KM). Others: 4 Nov, Urbana (RC).

Pine Siskin

EA: 15 Oct, Linc.P (GW); 17 Oct (31), Urbana (RC); 19 Oct (6), Carl.L (KM); 22 Oct, Lake Co (DRD). MC: 100+, Clin.L, 14 Nov (RC).

American Goldfinch

MC: 300, Carl.L, 4 Nov (DK); 240, Urbana, 17 Oct (RC); 95, Hennepin L, 31 Oct (DFS).

Evening Grosbeak

EA: 30 Oct, Clin.L (RC). MC: 15, Rockford, 13 Nov (JD).