



FRIENDS OF  
**OTTAWA**  
NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

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**April 5, 2015**

**OTTAWA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE MONTHLY CENSUS**

**ROUTES:** Same usual morning & afternoon routes - except where closed for eagle nesting.

**TIME:** 8:00am-12:30pm; 2:00pm-7:20pm

**TEMP.:** 41-63-59

**COND.:** Mostly cloudy turning partly sunny; wind W at 5-20mph, gusting to 25mph by afternoon.

**OBS.:** Katie Clink (morning only), Heidi Hughes (morning only), Ed Pierce, Jim Reyda, Al & Betty Schlecht (morning only) & Douglas W. Vogus.

**I. MAMMALS: 4 SPECIES.**

- Woodchuck – 1
- Eastern Fox Squirrel - 1
- Muskrat - 12
- Eastern Cottontail – 1

**II. BIRDS: 94 SPECIES.**

- Canada Goose - 284
- Trumpeter Swan - 12 (neckbands: yellow "3A8" & "1A2"; green "74M")
- Tundra Swan - 44
- Wood Duck - 83
- Gadwall - 520
- American Wigeon - 7
- American Black Duck - 32
- Mallard - 489
- Blue-winged Teal - 21
- Northern Shoveler - 65
- Northern Pintail - 20
- Green-winged Teal - 217
- Canvasback - 2
- Redhead - 320
- Ring-necked Duck - 126
- Greater Scaup - 21
- Lesser Scaup - 4,060
- Bufflehead - 79
- Common Goldeneye - 1
- Hooded Merganser - 44
- Common Merganser - 121
- Red-breasted Merganser - 3



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- Ruddy Duck - 38
- Pied-billed Grebe - 10
- Horned Grebe - 1
- Double-crested Cormorant - 8
- Great Blue Heron - 19
- Great Egret - 59
- Turkey Vulture - 38
- Bald Eagle - 21 (9 adult, 12 immature - 9 nests on refuge: 6 active, 2 unknown, 1 taken over by Great Horned Owl)
- Northern Harrier - 4
- Sharp-shinned Hawk - 5
- Red-tailed Hawk - 12
- Rough-legged Hawk - 2 (light phase)
- Golden Eagle - 1 (immature)
- American Coot - 292
- Sandhill Crane - 5
- Killdeer - 30
- Greater Yellowlegs - 14
- Lesser Yellowlegs - 5
- Dunlin - 35
- American Woodcock - 3
- Bonaparte's Gull - 136
- Ring-billed Gull - 168
- Herring Gull - 33
- Great Black-backed Gull - 1
- Forster's Tern - 1
- Rock Pigeon - 3
- Mourning Dove - 29
- Great Horned Owl - 5
- Belted Kingfisher - 1
- Red-bellied Woodpecker - 11
- Yellow-bellied Sapsucker - 1
- Downy Woodpecker - 10
- Northern Flicker - 18
- American Kestrel - 3
- Eastern Phoebe - 5
- Blue-headed Vireo - 1
- Blue Jay - 16
- American Crow - 16
- Horned Lark - 36
- Tree Swallow - 95
- Northern Rough-winged Swallow - 4



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- Barn Swallow - 1
- Black-capped Chickadee - 14
- Tufted Titmouse - 3
- White-breasted Nuthatch - 9
- Brown Creeper - 2
- Golden-crowned Kinglet - 15
- Eastern Bluebird - 1
- Hermit Thrush - 4
- American Robin - 279
- Brown Thrasher - 1
- European Starling - 108
- Lapland Longspur - 48
- American Tree Sparrow - 25
- Chipping Sparrow - 2
- Field Sparrow - 5
- Vesper Sparrow - 2
- Savannah Sparrow - 3
- Fox Sparrow - 6
- Song Sparrow - 48
- Swamp Sparrow - 2
- White-throated Sparrow - 5
- Dark-eyed Junco - 14
- Northern Cardinal - 28
- Red-winged Blackbird - 1,113
- Eastern Meadowlark - 1
- Rusty Blackbird - 77
- Common Grackle - 157
- Brown-headed Cowbird - 55
- House Finch - 12
- American Goldfinch - 2
- House Sparrow – 20

III. REPTILES: 2 SPECIES.

- Northern Water Snake - 1
- Eastern Garter Snake – 1

BUTTERFLIES: 1 SPECIES.

- Mourning Cloak – 2

*Thank you to Douglas W. Vogus of Akron, Ohio for compiling this list.*