



FRIENDS OF
OTTAWA
NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

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OTTAWA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE MONTHLY CENSUS

ROUTES: East and West sides in the morning, back side in the afternoon.

TIME: 8:00am - 12:00pm; 2:00pm - 5:10pm.

TEMP.: 32 ~ 51 ~ 48

COND.: Chilly early, turning pleasant and sunny; no snow cover; all water open except for some skim-ice in the ditches and canals.

OBS. EAST: Katie Clink, Ed Pierce.

OBS. WEST: Bob & Sara Crist, Jennifer Keuhn, Donna Kuhn, Dave & Kim Myles, Jim Reyda, Al & Betty Schlecht, Douglas W. Vogus.

OBS. AFTERNOON: Bob Bartolotta, Bob & Sara Crist, Jennifer Keuhn, Donna Kuhn, Ed Pierce, Jim Reyda, Douglas W. Vogus, Sheryl Young.

I. MAMMALS: 4 SPECIES.

1. Eastern Cottontail - 1
2. Eastern Fox Squirrel - 10
3. Common Muskrat - 4
4. Common Raccoon - 1

II. BIRDS: 71 SPECIES, 6,267 INDIVIDUALS.

1. Canada Goose - 526
2. Trumpeter Swan - 31
3. Tundra Swan - 3,099
4. Wood Duck - 2
5. Gadwall - 93
6. American Wigeon - 9
7. American Black Duck - 8
8. Mallard - 682
9. Blue-winged Teal - 1 (female)
10. Northern Shoveler - 42
11. Northern Pintail - 53
12. Green-winged Teal - 179
13. Ring-necked Duck - 4
14. Lesser Scaup - 7
15. Bufflehead - 1
16. Common Goldeneye - 23
17. Hooded Merganser - 38



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18. Common Merganser - 8
19. Red-breasted Merganser - 24
20. Pied-billed Grebe - 6
21. Mourning Dove - 82
22. Common Gallinule - 1
23. American Coot - 302
24. Sandhill Crane - 10
25. Marbled Godwit - 1 (with an injured leg) *(Correction to last month's census. We had 4 Hudsonian Godwits and 1 Marbled Godwit - not 5 Hudsonian Godwits. Thanks to Paul Jacyk for photo confirmation of the Marbled Godwit, which our census group had trouble identifying due to fading light, sideways rain, and a tornado warning.)*
26. Dunlin - 12
27. Bonaparte's Gull - 43
28. Ring-billed Gull - 134
29. Herring Gull - 9
30. Double-crested Cormorant - 8
31. Great Blue Heron - 28
32. Great Egret - 1
33. Bald Eagle - 8 (5 adult,3 immature)
34. Northern Harrier - 4
35. Cooper's Hawk - 1
36. Red-tailed Hawk - 13
37. Eastern Screech-Owl - 1 (gray morph)
38. Great Horned Owl - 1
39. Snowy Owl - 1 (at the Ottawa NWR/Metzger Marsh fish gate)
40. Belted Kingfisher - 2
41. Red-headed Woodpecker - 5 (3 adult,2 immature)
42. Red-bellied Woodpecker - 10
43. Downy Woodpecker - 21
44. Hairy Woodpecker - 5
45. Northern Flicker - 3
46. Northern Shrike - 1
47. Blue Jay - 40
48. Horned Lark - 31
49. Black-capped Chickadee - 11
50. Tufted Titmouse - 2
51. White-breasted Nuthatch - 16
52. Brown Creeper - 2
53. Winter Wren - 1
54. Carolina Wren - 1
55. Golden-crowned Kinglet - 4



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- 56. Eastern Bluebird - 1
- 57. American Robin - 1
- 58. European Starling - 96
- 59. House Sparrow - 47
- 60. House Finch - 5
- 61. American Goldfinch - 27
- 62. Lapland Longspur - 74 (66 in Krause Rd. corn stubble field, 8 fly-overs)
- 63. American Tree Sparrow - 156
- 64. Song Sparrow - 28
- 65. Swamp Sparrow - 3
- 66. Dark-eyed Junco - 7
- 67. Northern Cardinal - 16
- 68. Red-winged Blackbird - 56
- 69. Rusty Blackbird - 91
- 70. Common Grackle - 4
- 71. Brown-headed Cowbird - 4

III. FISHES: 1 SPECIES.

- 1. Black Bullhead - 1 (caught by a Ring-billed Gull)

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