



FRIENDS OF
OTTAWA
NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

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OTTAWA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE MONTHLY CENSUS

ROUTES: Usual morning and afternoon routes (east & west sides in the morning, back side in the afternoon).

TIME: 8:00am - 12:40pm; 1 :55pm -5:50pm

TEMP.: 24 ~ 35 ~ 32

COND.: Cold early turning mostly sunny; wind W at 5-10mph; no snow cover; most impoundments frozen - some up to 30% open; all canals & ditches frozen; Crane Creek frozen; Crane Creek Estuary had some open water; Lake Erie ice-free.

OBS. EAST: Katie Clink, Ed Pierce.

OBS. WEST: Donna Kuhn, James Muller, Dave & Kim Myles, Jacob Raber, Jim Reyda, Tony Szilagye, Douglas W. Vogus.

OBS. AFTERNOON: Bob Bartolatta, Claire Johnson, JimKoppen, Ed Pierce, Jim Reyda, Douglas W. Vogus.

I. MAMMALS: 8 SPECIES.

1. Virginia Opossum - 1
2. Eastern Cottontail - 5
3. Eastern Fox Squirrel - 3
4. White-footed Mouse - 1
5. Meadow Vole - 7
6. Common Muskrat - 2
7. Coyote - 1
8. White-tailed Deer - 5

II. BIRDS: 51 SPECIES, 8,802 TOTAL BIRDS.

1. Snow Goose - 2 (blue morph)
2. Canada Goose - 3,243
3. Mute Swan - 4
4. Trumpeter Swan - 68 (neckbands: "A8O - yellow", "1CO" - yellow, & "unknown - yellow")
5. Tundra Swan - 1,574
6. Gadwall - 11
7. American Wigeon - 3
8. American Black Duck - 18



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9. Mallard - 65
10. Bufflehead - 1 (m)
11. Common Merganser - 273 (very few females)
12. Red-breasted Merganser - 12
13. Rock Pigeon - 1
14. Mourning Dove - 39
15. Sandhill Crane - 12
16. Killdeer - 1
17. Ring-billed Gull - 167
18. Herring Gull - 26
19. Great Blue Heron - 39
20. Black-crowned Night-Heron - 2 (immature)
21. Bald Eagle - 20 (8 adult, 12 immature)
22. Northern Harrier - 5
23. Cooper's Hawk - 1
24. Red-tailed Hawk - 7
25. Rough-legged Hawk - 1 (light morph)
26. Great Horned Owl - 4
27. Northern Saw-whet Owl - 2 (in the pines at the Sportsmen's Migratory Bird Center at Magee Marsh/eastern border of Ottawa NWR)
28. Red-headed Woodpecker - 2
29. Red-bellied Woodpecker - 8
30. Downy Woodpecker - 9
31. Hairy Woodpecker - 2
32. Northern Flicker - 1
33. American Kestrel - 1
34. Northern Shrike - 1
35. Blue Jay - 36
36. Horned Lark - 118
37. Black-capped Chickadee - 8
38. Tufted Titmouse - 4
39. White-breasted Nuthatch - 7
40. Brown Creeper - 1
41. American Robin - 11
42. European Starling - 364
43. House Sparrow - 55
44. American Goldfinch - 71
45. American Tree Sparrow - 147
46. Song Sparrow - 1
47. Dark-eyed Junco - 14
48. Northern Cardinal - 14
49. Red-winged Blackbird - 1,934



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50. Common Grackle - 125

51. Brown-headed Cowbird - 159

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