



FRIENDS OF
OTTAWA
NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

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OTTAWA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE MONTHLY CENSUS

ROUTES: East and West sides in the morning; Auto Tour area in the afternoon.

TIME: 8:00am - 11:45am; 1:00pm - 4:10pm

TEMP.: 34 ~ 52

COND.: Chilly early, warming throughout with sunny skies and unseasonably warm; winds W/SW at 5 to 20mph, with some gusts of 30+mph; most impoundments ice-free; Lake Erie ice-free; water levels still very high.

OBS. EAST: Jim Koppin, Jim Reyda, Al & Betty Schlecht.

OBS. WEST: Katie Clink, Donna Kuhn, Dave & Kim Myles, George Novosel, Tony Szilagye.

OBS. WEST PRAIRIES: Zebedee Muller, Douglas W. Vogus.

OBS. AFTERNOON: Bob Bartolotta, Claire Johnson, Jim Koppin, Jim Reyda, Douglas W. Vogus.

I. MAMMALS: 8 SPECIES.

1. Eastern Cottontail - 2
2. Woodchuck - 1 (First February Record on Census)
3. Eastern Fox Squirrel - 10
4. White-footed Mouse - 1
5. Meadow Vole - 1
6. Coyote - 2 (Tied Census High from 03/2008, 01/2018 & 02/2018)
7. Common Raccoon - 2
8. White-tailed Deer - 8

II. BIRDS: 48 SPECIES, 5,389 TOTAL BIRDS.

1. Canada Goose - 1,919
2. Mute Swan - 4
3. Trumpeter Swan - 209
4. Tundra Swan - 714
5. American Black Duck - 2
6. Mallard - 85
7. Lesser Scaup - 7
8. Bufflehead - 1
9. Common Goldeneye - 37
10. Common Merganser - 946
11. Red-breasted Merganser - 2
12. Ruddy Duck - 1
13. Rock Pigeon - 1
14. Mourning Dove - 37



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15. Sandhill Crane - 16
16. Ring-billed Gull - 852
17. Herring Gull - 53
18. Great Blue Heron - 39
19. Bald Eagle - 15 (8 adult,7 immature)
20. Northern Harrier - 4
21. Sharp-shinned Hawk - 1
22. Cooper's Hawk - 1
23. Red-tailed Hawk - 7
24. Great Horned Owl - 2
25. Belted Kingfisher - 1
26. Red-headed Woodpecker - 4
27. Red-bellied Woodpecker - 12
28. Downy Woodpecker - 12
29. Northern Flicker - 3
30. American Kestrel - 2
31. Blue Jay - 17
32. Horned Lark - 47
33. Black-capped Chickadee - 2
34. White-breasted Nuthatch - 2
35. Brown Creeper - 1
36. Golden-crowned Kinglet - 2
37. Eastern Bluebird - 4
38. American Robin - 6
39. European Starling - 55
40. House Sparrow - 99
41. House Finch - 3
42. American Goldfinch - 21
43. Snow Bunting - 12
44. American Tree Sparrow - 62
45. Song Sparrow - 4
46. White-throated Sparrow - 1
47. Northern Cardinal - 20
48. Red-winged Blackbird - 23
49. Brown-headed Cowbirds- 3

Unidentified Swan Species (Trumpeter or Tundra) - 5
Unidentified Duck Species - 14

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