

2014 Results

74th Christmas Bird Count Summary Report
December 14, 2014

The 2014 Christmas Bird Count was conducted under dreary skies. The day started with a temperature of 44 degrees F, a 9 mph W wind and ended with a temperature of 48 degrees F and a 4 mph W wind. There was no snow on the ground and no frozen waters. Our total number of species was 79, down from 81 species in 2013. However our total number of individuals of 27,685 was higher than last year's total of 25,392. We had the usual mix of species with an increase in the number of resident birds over last year's numbers. A notable addition to our species list was an Osprey, a first for our count.

This year we had 166 participants in the field and 42 at the feeders making for a grand total of 207, breaking our long standing record of 175 in 1984! (We may well set a record nationwide.) 58 parties spent a total of 228 hours on foot and by car and traveled a total of 890 miles on foot and by car counting birds in the field. 4 parties spent 5 hours and traveled 28 miles listening/looking for owls and 42 individuals spent 37 hours counting birds at their feeders.

We thank all the veteran and dedicated individuals in the field and at the feeders for their continued loyalty and participation over many, many years and the new people who joined us for the first time. We could not have successful counts without the help of our participants. This year's increase in participant numbers is the result of a GAAS partnership with Summit Metro Parks in conducting a first-time Identifying Birds at the Feeders workshop and the recruiting for volunteers done by the Akron Zoo Director and Staff. We thank both organizations for their efforts and for participating in the Christmas Bird Count.

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Participants in the 2014 count are given at [CBC Participants](#).
The species list is given in [CBC History](#).