

MAY 01, 2022 - OTTAWA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE MONTHLY CENSUS. (An ongoing bird census since 03/02/1969)

ROUTES: Boss Unit, East & West sides in the morning; North side (Auto Tour area) and Fox Unit in the afternoon.

TIME: 7:30am - 12:15pm; 1:30pm - 6:30pm TEMP.: 54F ~ 67F (morning) 71F ~ 64 (afternoon)

COND.: Cloudy and breezy in the morning, winds S/SW at 5-15mph; partly sunny in the afternoon.

OBS. EAST: Jim Reyda, Al Schlecht. OBS. WEST: Mary Applegate, Katie Clink, David & Kim Myles, George Novosel,

James O'Brien, Chris Pierce. OBS. WEST PRAIRIES: Douglas W. Vogus.

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

I. MAMMALS: 7 SPECIES. (Recorded since 04/2002)

1. Eastern Cottontail - 17
2. Woodchuck - 6
3. Eastern Fox Squirrel - 7
4. American Beaver - 1 (Second May Record on Census & Tied Census High from 11 other occasions)
5. Common Muskrat - 15
6. Mink - 1
7. White-tailed Deer - 4

II. BIRDS: 128 SPECIES, (58 NEW FOR YEAR - NOW AT 137 SPECIES FOR 2022), 5,537 TOTAL BIRDS. (Recorded since 03/1969)

1. Canada Goose - 818 (2 nests)
2. Trumpeter Swan - 149 (2 nests)
3. Wood Duck - 65 (one nestbox with 11 eggs)
4. Blue-winged Teal - 53
5. Northern Shoveler - 5
6. Gadwall - 75
7. American Wigeon - 4
8. Mallard - 72
9. Green-winged Teal - 11
10. Lesser Scaup - 31
11. Bufflehead - 3
12. Hooded Merganser - 1
13. Ruddy Duck - 22
14. Pied-billed Grebe - 22
15. Mourning Dove - 27
16. Chimney Swift - 9
17. Ruby-throated Hummingbird - 2
18. Virginia Rail - 7
19. Sora - 15
20. Common Gallinule - 10
21. American Coot - 20
22. Sandhill Crane - 4

23. Killdeer - 42 (one nest in Grimm Prairie with 4 eggs)
24. Dunlin - 197
25. Least Sandpiper - 5
26. American Woodcock - 2
27. Wilson's Snipe - 6
28. Spotted Sandpiper - 5
29. Solitary Sandpiper - 11
30. Greater Yellowlegs - 12
31. Lesser Yellowlegs - 48
32. Ring-billed Gull - 11
33. Herring Gull - 19
34. Caspian Tern - 3
35. Common Tern - 12
36. Forster's Tern - 2
37. Double-crested Cormorant - 55
38. American White Pelican - 6
39. Great Blue Heron - 65
40. Great Egret - 134
41. Snowy Egret - 3
42. Green Heron - 9
43. Glossy Ibis - 2 (Fifth May Record on Census)
44. Turkey Vulture - 17
45. Osprey - 1
46. Northern Harrier - 2
47. Sharp-shinned Hawk - 3
48. Cooper's Hawk - 2
49. Bald Eagle - 14 (10 adult, 4 immature)
50. Red-tailed Hawk - 7
51. Rough-legged Hawk - 1 (light morph)
52. Belted Kingfisher - 1
53. Red-headed Woodpecker - 3
54. Red-bellied Woodpecker - 9
55. Downy Woodpecker - 22
56. Hairy Woodpecker - 1
57. Northern Flicker - 15
58. American Kestrel - 2 (appear to be using nestbox at Grimm Prairie)
59. Merlin - 1
60. Great Crested Flycatcher - 1
61. Eastern Kingbird - 2
62. Least Flycatcher - 1
63. Eastern Phoebe - 2
64. White-eyed Vireo - 1
65. Blue-headed Vireo - 1
66. Warbling Vireo - 3
67. Blue Jay - 236 (small migrating flocks are staging up)
68. American Crow - 1
69. Horned Lark - 2 (Grimm Prairie)
70. Bank Swallow - 1

71. Tree Swallow - 673
72. Purple Martin - 54
73. Barn Swallow - 39
74. Cliff Swallow - 6
75. Black-capped Chickadee - 9
76. Tufted Titmouse - 4
77. White-breasted Nuthatch - 4
78. House Wren - 40
79. Marsh Wren - 6
80. Carolina Wren - 3
81. Blue-gray Gnatcatcher - 16
82. Ruby-crowned Kinglet - 43
83. Swainson's Thrush - 4
84. Hermit Thrush - 5
85. Wood Thrush - 5
86. American Robin - 91 (one nest)
87. Gray Catbird - 54
88. Brown Thrasher - 11
89. European Starling - 84
90. House Sparrow - 7
91. American Pipit - 1 (fly-over at Grimm Prairie)
92. Purple Finch - 2
93. American Goldfinch - 23
94. Lapland Longspur - 17 (a one flock fly-over at Grimm Prairie)
95. Chipping Sparrow - 11
96. Field Sparrow - 4
97. American Tree Sparrow - 2 (two solo stragglers)
98. Dark-eyed Junco - 1
99. White-crowned Sparrow - 9
100. White-throated Sparrow - 116
101. Savannah Sparrow - 9
102. Song Sparrow - 77
103. Lincoln's Sparrow - 3
104. Swamp Sparrow - 16
105. Eastern Towhee - 2
106. Eastern Meadowlark - 2
107. Orchard Oriole - 1
108. Baltimore Oriole - 8
109. Red-winged Blackbird - 839
110. Brown-headed Cowbird - 25
111. Rusty Blackbird - 8
112. Common Grackle - 102
113. Ovenbird - 6
114. Northern Waterthrush - 5
115. Black-and-white Warbler - 16
116. Prothonotary Warbler - 2
117. Nashville Warbler - 3
118. Common Yellowthroat - 21

119. Northern Parula - 9
120. Magnolia Warbler - 1
121. Blackburnian Warbler - 2
122. Yellow Warbler - 220
123. Palm Warbler - 174
124. Pine Warbler - 3
125. Yellow-rumped Warbler - 148
126. Black-throated Green Warbler - 13
127. Northern Cardinal - 45
128. Rose-breasted Grosbeak - 7

III. REPTILES: 6 SPECIES. (Recorded since 04/2002)

1. Common Snapping Turtle - 2 (Fourth May Record on Census)
2. Map Turtle - 26
3. Midland Painted Turtle - 83 (New Census High - previous was 57 on 05/2019)
4. Eastern Spiny Softshell - 1 (First May Record on Census)
5. Northern Water Snake - 13 (New Census High - previous was 11 on 05/2015)
6. Eastern Garter Snake - 4 (Fifth May Record on Census & Tied Census High from 04/2019)

IV. AMPHIBIANS: 3 SPECIES. (Recorded since 04/2002)

1. Bullfrog - 5
2. Green Frog - 1
3. Northern Leopard Frog - 1

V. FISHES: 1 SPECIES. (Recorded since 04/2002)

1. Common Carp - 3

VI. BUTTERFLIES: 4 SPECIES. (Recorded since 04/2002)

1. Cabbage Butterfly - 9
2. Spring Azure - 1 (Second May Record on Census)
3. Eastern Comma - 1 (First May Record on Census)
4. Red Admiral - 1

VII. DRAGONFLIES & DAMSELFLIES: 1 SPECIES. (Recorded since 05/2018)

1. Common Green Darner

Compiler: Douglas W. Vogus - Akron, Ohio.