

SEPTEMBER 01, 2024 - OTTAWA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE MONTHLY CENSUS.

ROUTES: East Side, Fox Unit (parking lot only), Boss Unit (parking lot only), West Side, and Western Prairies and Henry Marsh in the morning; Wildlife Drive in the afternoon.

OBS. EAST, FOX & BOSS: Jim Koppin, Jim Reyda, Al Schlecht. OBS. WEST: Mary Applegate,

Susan Brauning, Katie Clink, Donna Kuhn, David & Kim Myles, James O'Brien, Chris Pierce, Tracy Wiczer. OBS. WESTERN PRAIRIES & HENRY MARSH: Douglas W. Vogus.

TIME: 7:35am - 12:15pm; 1:15pm - 4:30pm TIME AFIELD: 7:55 TEMP.: 62F ~ 80F ~ 78F

COND.: Sunny, calm and clear, warming throughout the morning; sunny, warm and breezy in the afternoon.

I. MAMMALS: 5 SPECIES, 26 TOTAL. (Recorded since 04/07/2002)

1. Eastern Cottontail - 3
2. Woodchuck - 9
3. Eastern Fox Squirrel - 8
4. Common Muskrat - 3
5. White-tailed Deer - 3 (2 yearlings, 1 fawn)

II. BIRDS: 115 SPECIES, 7,922 TOTAL. (Recorded since 03/02/1969)

1. Canada Goose - 371
2. Trumpeter Swan - 82
3. Wood Duck - 111
4. Blue-winged Teal - 26
5. Northern Shoveler - 13
6. Gadwall - 6
7. Mallard - 496
8. Northern Pintail - 4
9. Green-winged Teal - 45
10. Hooded Merganser - 3
11. Pied-billed Grebe - 10
12. Mourning Dove - 53
13. Yellow-billed Cuckoo - 1
14. Chimney Swift - 4
15. Ruby-throated Hummingbird - 1
16. Sora - 1
17. Common Gallinule - 12

18. Sandhill Crane - 44
19. Black-necked Stilt - 1 (First September Record on Census)
20. American Avocet - 1
21. Black-bellied Plover - 2
22. American Golden-Plover - 2
23. Killdeer - 61
24. Semipalmated Plover - 6
25. Marbled Godwit - 1
26. Stilt Sandpiper - 11
27. Least Sandpiper - 9
28. White-rumped Sandpiper - 1
29. Pectoral Sandpiper - 1
30. Semipalmated Sandpiper - 54
31. Short-billed Dowitcher - 12
32. Spotted Sandpiper - 1
33. Greater Yellowlegs - 12
34. Lesser Yellowlegs - 18
35. Bonaparte's Gull - 5
36. Ring-billed Gull - 146
37. Herring Gull - 6
38. Caspian Tern - 14
39. Forster's Tern - 21
40. Double-crested Cormorant - 74
41. American White Pelican - 16
42. Snowy Egret - 3
43. Black-crowned Night Heron - 1
44. Green Heron - 13
45. Great Egret - 191
46. Great Blue Heron - 76
47. Turkey Vulture - 7
48. Osprey - 1
49. Cooper's Hawk - 2
50. Bald Eagle - 21 (9 adult,12 immature)
51. Red-tailed Hawk - 13 (4 immature)
52. Belted Kingfisher - 2
53. Red-headed Woodpecker - 9
54. Red-bellied Woodpecker - 5
55. Downy Woodpecker - 10
56. Northern Flicker - 13
57. American Kestrel - 2
58. Peregrine Falcon - 1
59. Eastern Kingbird - 8
60. Olive-sided Flycatcher - 1
61. Eastern Wood-Pewee - 12
62. Yellow-bellied Flycatcher - 1
63. Acadian Flycatcher - 1 (Fourth September Record on Census)
64. Willow Flycatcher - 5
65. Eastern Phoebe - 11
66. Warbling Vireo - 19

67. Red-eyed Vireo - 10
68. Blue Jay - 47
69. Black-capped Chickadee - 10
70. Tufted Titmouse - 1
71. Horned Lark - 1
72. Bank Swallow - 14
73. Tree Swallow - 1,257
74. Northern Rough-winged Swallow - 6
75. Purple Martin - 448
76. Barn Swallow - 27
77. Cliff Swallow - 2
78. Cedar Waxwing - 19
79. White-breasted Nuthatch - 5
80. Carolina Wren - 5
81. Northern House Wren - 6
82. Marsh Wren - 4
83. Gray Catbird - 22
84. Brown Thrasher - 1
85. European Starling - 1,772
86. Veery - 1
87. Gray-cheeked Thrush - 1
88. Swainson's Thrush - 7
89. American Robin - 66
90. House Sparrow - 37
91. House Finch - 2
92. American Goldfinch - 48
93. Field Sparrow - 3
94. Song Sparrow - 13
95. Swamp Sparrow - 2
96. Bobolink - 34 (all in Grimm Prairie)
97. Baltimore Oriole - 4
98. Red-winged Blackbird - 1,692
99. Common Grackle - 80
100. Ovenbird - 1
101. Tennessee Warbler - 4
102. Common Yellowthroat - 4
103. American Redstart - 4
104. Cape May Warbler - 2
105. Northern Parula - 1
106. Magnolia Warbler - 1
107. Bay-breasted Warbler - 1
108. Blackburnian Warbler - 3
109. Blackpoll Warbler - 5
110. Black-throated Blue Warbler - 1
111. Yellow-rumped Warbler - 2
112. Wilson's Warbler - 1
113. Northern Cardinal - 29
114. Indigo Bunting - 10
115. Dickcissel - 3 (all in Grimm Prairie)

?? Unidentified Sterna Tern Species - 10

?? Unidentified Warbler Species - 6 (fleeting glimpses, backlit, fly-overs - the usual aggravations)

III. REPTILES: 4 SPECIES, (1 DEAD), 19 TOTAL. (Recorded since 04/07/2002)

1. Common Snapping Turtle - 4 (2 hatchlings) (Second September Record on Census)
2. Map Turtle - 3 (Second September Record on Census)
3. Midland Painted Turtle - 11
4. Eastern Garter Snake - 1 (Fourth September Record on Census)
- X. Northern Brown Snake - 1 (dead - auto casualty on Krause Rd.)

IV. AMPHIBIANS: 3 SPECIES, 27 TOTAL. (Recorded since 04/07/2002)

1. American Bullfrog - 8
2. Green Frog - 4
3. Northern Leopard Frog - 15

V. FISHES: 2 SPECIES, 162 TOTAL. (Recorded since 04/07/2002)

1. Eastern Gizzard Shad - 1 (Second September Record on Census)
2. Blackstripe Topminnow - 161 (Third September Record on Census)

VI. BUTTERFLIES: 21 SPECIES, (1 SPECIES NEW TO CENSUS), 387 TOTAL BUTTERFLIES. (Recorded since 04/07/2002)

1. Eastern Black Swallowtail - 5
2. Giant Swallowtail - 1 (New Species on Census - currently at 44 Butterfly Species since 04/2002)
3. Eastern Tiger Swallowtail - 3
4. Cabbage Butterfly - 94
5. Clouded Sulphur - 73
6. Orange Sulphur - 34 (New Census High - previous was 28 on 09/2021)
7. Southern Dogface - 18 (Fourth Record on Census - all in 2024 - & New Census High - previous was 12 on 08/2024)
8. Cloudless Sulphur - 3 (Third September Record on Census)
9. Bronze Copper - 1
10. Eastern Tailed-Blue - 1
11. Pearl Crescent - 11
12. Eastern Comma - 2 (Fourth September Record on Census)
13. Painted Lady - 5 (Fourth September Record on Census & Tied Census High from 10/2017)
14. Common Buckeye - 30
15. Red-spotted Purple - 7 (New Census High - previous was 4 on 08/2015 & 08/2021)
16. Viceroy - 42 (New Census High - previous was 30 on 08/2022)

17. Northern Pearly Eye - 2 (Third September Record on Census)
18. Monarch - 32
19. Silver-spotted Skipper - 1 (Fourth September Record on Census)
20. Least Skipper - 22
21. Peck's Skipper - 32 (Third Record on Census, First September Record on Census & New Census High - previous was 2 on 08/2022)

**VII. MOTHS: 2 SPECIES, (1 NEW TO CENSUS), 9 TOTAL MOTHS.
(Recorded since 04/07/2002)**

1. Sod Webworm Moth - 4 (New Species on Census - currently at 20 Moth Species since 04/07/2002)
2. Chickweed Geometer - 5 (Fourth Record on Census, Second September Record on Census & New Census High - previous was 2 on 09/2022)

VIII. DRAGONFLIES & DAMSELFLIES: 12 SPECIES. (Recorded since 05/06/2018)

1. Common Green Darner
2. Eastern Pondhawk
3. Widow Skimmer (Third September Record on Census)
4. Blue Dasher
5. Wandering Glider (Third September Record on Census)
6. Eastern Amberwing (Fifth September Record on Census)
7. Common Whitetail (Second September Record on Census)
8. Black Saddlebags
9. Familiar Bluet (Fourth September Record on Census)
10. Orange Bluet (Third September Record on Census)
11. Fragile Forktail (Fourth Record on Census & First September Record on Census)
12. Eastern Forktail

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