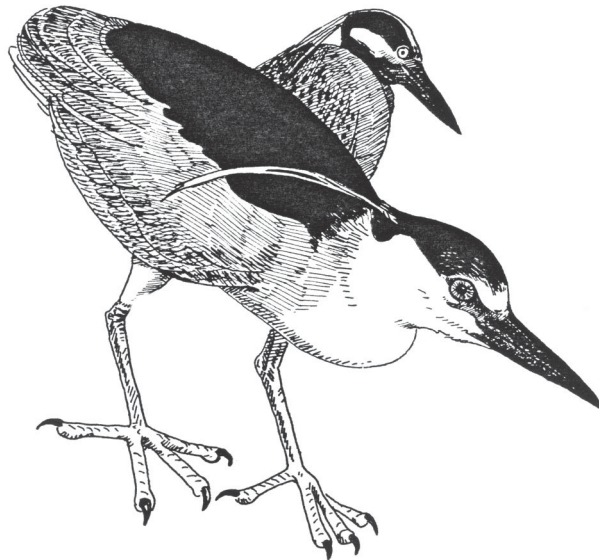


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This guide covers all 412 bird species accepted by the Ohio Bird Records Committee (OBRC) as of 31 December 2002 for the official state list. Their typical abundances throughout the year are represented by bar graphs, and brief annotations are supplied.

Relative abundance is based on the likelihood of detecting a species in Ohio during the period indicated under optimal circumstances—that is, by skilled observers in the best habitat under good conditions. For example, the rare Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow is graphed based on its occurrence in weedy wetlands along Lake Erie (as indicated in the annotation); it is far less often detected elsewhere. Likewise, Common Tern may be found in many places in Ohio at times, but its graph represents abundances in its Lake Erie strongholds. Always be sure to consult the annotations for further specific information.

Review Species (those occurring infrequently enough to require acceptable documentation) are listed in **bold** capital letters and are not bar graphed. Instead, the number of accepted records of each Review Species in each quarter-month of the year from January 1980 through December 2002 is indicated. Two Review Species, Loggerhead Shrike and Bewick's Wren, receive special treatment (see the annotations for details). Species recorded only prior to 1980 have *blank graphs*, but the year in which each was last recorded is provided when known. Each month is divided into quarters by days: 1-7, 8-15, 16-23, 24-31. *Blank spaces* do not necessarily mean there are no records for the quarter-month, only that there are too few records to qualify the species in question as *Rare*.

Three general levels of abundance are used in the graphs. These are:

- = *Common*: to be expected, sometimes in large numbers.
- ▬ = *Uncommon*: observed infrequently, and usually in small numbers, even in appropriate habitat. This designation indicates that although there is a reasonable chance to detect the species, it should not usually be expected.
- = *Rare*: normally occurs annually, but with only a few records on average.

Several other symbols are used in the annotations immediately following the species' names. These are:

- * = confirmed as nesting in Ohio.
- ** = single Ohio nesting records.
- E = extirpated from Ohio.
- X = extinct species.
- 1 = species with existing specimens from Ohio.
- 2 = species for which diagnostic photographs exist, but which lack a specimen record.
- 3 = species for which only documented sight records exist, lacking photographs and specimens.

Regions of the state are indicated in the annotations by combining the four compass points (N, E, S, W) and C for central. The term unglaciated refers to the southeast portion of the state occupying the unglaciated Allegheny Plateau.

Avian population levels are a steady source of interest for many birders. The bar graphs in this checklist reflect current relative population levels. Of course, populations of all species are subject to change. One of the most highly regarded tools for measuring population fluctuations is the USGS's North American Breeding Bird Survey (BBS). Since 1966, the BBS has been keeping tabs on North American nesting species by surveying a vast array of roadside routes liberally scattered across the U. S.

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and Canada, including 83 routes in Ohio. Species boasting substantial nesting populations, and those readily detectable during the roadside surveys, provide the bulk of data suitable for statistical analysis. Species marked with an upwards arrow (↑) represent species whose population levels have increased by at least 50% over the course of the Survey period according to BBS trend estimates; likewise, those marked with a downwards (↓) arrow have decreased their population levels by at least 50% according to BBS trend estimates.

Nomenclature and order of species in this list follow that of the 7th edition of the AOU *Check-list of North American Birds* (1998), including the 42nd (July 2000) and 43rd (July 2002) Supplements. Reports of wild birds indicated on this list as Review Species, or of species not included here, are requested by the OBRC (Jim McCormac, Secretary, ODNR/DNAP, 1889 Fountain Square Court, Columbus, OH 43224-1388; (614)265-6440 or jim.mccormac@dnr.state.oh.us). Advice on documentation standards, and a form, are available on the OBRC website at <<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/dnap/OhioBirding/BirdRecordsCommittee.htm>>. Additional detail on Ohio bird species may be found in Peterjohn, B. P. 2001. *The Birds of Ohio*. The Wooster Book Company, Wooster, OH. The OBRC welcomes suggestions for improvement of this guide.

The OBRC is an independent 11-member panel whose primary function is to validate records of bird species reported in Ohio. The Division of Natural Areas and Preserves of the Ohio Department of Natural Resources is responsible for managing the statewide system of nature preserves and scenic rivers, funding research of non-game animals and rare plants, and maintaining a comprehensive database of rare plants, animals, and other significant features of natural history. The OBRC wishes to thank all those interested in Ohio's birdlife, and hopes this guide will add to their enjoyment.



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GAVIIDAE: Loons												
Red-throated Loon 1 Rare migrant on Lake Erie and inland reservoirs.			••							••••••		
PACIFIC LOON 2 Three records, all since 1985. Most recent: 24-26 Nov 1996.					1						1 1 1	
Common Loon 1 Widespread migrant on Lake Erie and inland reservoirs. Nonbreeders may persist in summer.	••		•	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••		•	••••••	••••
PODICIPEDIDAE: Grebes												
Pied-billed Grebe *1 Widespread migrant. Widespread but localized wetlands nester.	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••
Horned Grebe 1 Widespread migrant on Lake Erie and inland reservoirs. Generally rare mid-winter.	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••					••	••••••	••••••
Red-necked Grebe 1 Rare migrant on Lake Erie and inland reservoirs.			••••••	••••••							••••••	
Eared Grebe 1 Rare migrant on Lake Erie and inland reservoirs.				••••••							••••	
WESTERN GREBE 1 Numerous records, seven since 1980. Most recent: 15-18 Dec 1999.		1 2	1 1 1 1 1 1	1 2 1 1 1 1	1						1	2 2
PROCELLARIIDAE: Petrels												
BLACK-CAPPED PETREL 1 One record: 5 Oct 1898, Hamilton Co.												
HYDROBATIDAE: Storm-Petrels												
LEACH'S STORM-PETREL 1 One record: 16 May 1929, Montgomery Co.												
SULIDAE: Gannets												
NORTHERN GANNET 1 Numerous records, 16 since 1980. Most recent: 4 Dec 2002.	1 1 1 1 1 1										1 3 5 1	5 4 1 2
PELICANIDAE: Pelicans												
American White Pelican 1 Rare migrant. Most likely along W Lake Erie, also occurs on inland reservoirs.				••••••	••••••					••••••	••••••	
BROWN PELICAN 2 Four records, all since 1990. Most recent: 9 Jun-23 Sep 2002.					1	1 1 2 2 2	2 2 2 1	1 1 2 1	1 1 1 1			
PHALACROCORACIDAE: Cormorants												
Double-crested Cormorant *1 Widespread migrant. Colonial nester, mostly along W Lake Erie.	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••
ANHINGIDAE: Anhingas												
ANHINGA 1 One record: Nov 1885, Washington Co.												
FREGATIDAE: Frigatebirds												
MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD 1 Four records, one since 1980. Most recent: 17 Oct 1998.										1		
ARDEIDAE: Herons, Bitterns, and Allies												
American Bittern *1 Rare migrant. Localized wetlands nester, mostly along W Lake Erie.				••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••
Least Bittern *1 Rare migrant. Localized wetlands nester along Lake Erie and inland.				••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••			
Great Blue Heron *1 Widespread migrant. Widespread colonial nester.	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••	••••••

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Great Egret *1 Widespread migrant. Colonial nester, mostly along W Lake Erie. May persist into early winter.			●									●●●●		
Snowy Egret *1 Rare migrant. Colonial nester along W Lake Erie.				●●●								●●●		
Little Blue Heron *1 Rare migrant. Former casual nester.					●●●●●			●●●●●						
TRICOLORED HERON 1 About 36 records, 29 since 1980. Most recent: 16-31 May 2001.				1	1 1	3 5 5 6	5 3 3 3	4 3 4 3	3 4 4 2	1 2				
Cattle Egret *1 Rare migrant. Colonial nester, now restricted to Turning Point Island (Erie Co.).				●●●								●●●●●●●●		
Green Heron *1↓ Widespread migrant and nester.				●								●●		
Black-crowned Night-Heron *1 Generally rare migrant, but may form temporary roosts. Colonial nester, mostly W Lake Erie.	●●●●●●●●●●													
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron *1 Rare migrant. Widespread but thinly distributed nester, mostly C & S.				●●●●●●●●●●										
THRESKIORNITHIDAE: Ibises and Spoonbills														
WHITE IBIS 2 Five records, four since 1980. Most recent: 7-14 Jul 1998.					1		1 2 1							
GLOSSY IBIS 1 Numerous records, 21 since 1980. Increasing. Most recent: 5-27 May 2001.				1 1 2	3 5 5 4	2			1 2 1	1 2	2 1			
WHITE-FACED IBIS 1 About 11 records, nine since 1980. Most recent: 7 May 2002.					1 2 1 2 1 1			1		1 1				
ROSEATE SPOONBILL 2 Two records: 24 Sep 1986, 20 Jul-20 Oct 2002.							1 1	1 1 1 1	1 1 1 2	1 1 1				
CICONIIDAE: Storks														
WOOD STORK 1 At least five records, one since 1980. Most recent: 9 Sep 2001									1					
CATHARTIDAE: New World Vultures														
Black Vulture *1 Locally common resident in S & EC, where large winter roosts may form. Casual migrant in N.														
Turkey Vulture *1↑ Widespread migrant and nester. May form large roosts. Locally common in winter only in S & EC.														
ANATIDAE: Ducks, Geese, and Swans														
FULVOUS WHISTLING-DUCK 1 About 10 records, one since 1980. Most recent: 5 Jun 1994.						1								
Greater White-fronted Goose 1 Rare migrant, mostly in W. Overwinters casually.		●●●●●●●●									●●			
Snow Goose 1 Widespread migrant. Common in winter only at Ottawa NWR (Ottawa/Lucas Cos.), rare elsewhere.				●●●●●●●●					●●●●					
ROSS'S GOOSE 1 24 records, all since 1982. Increasing. Most recent: 28 Dec 2001-7 Jan 2002.	3 2 2 2	1 2 3 4	2 2 4 3	3 1 2 1	1 1 1 1					2 1 1	2 3 3 1	1 2		
Canada Goose *1↑ Widespread migrant and permanent resident.														
Brant 1 Rare migrant, mostly along Lake Erie. Casual in winter through early spring.											●●●●●●●●			

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Mute Swan *1 Locally common nester along W Lake Erie. Generally uncommon at best inland.	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
TRUMPETER SWAN 1 Former migrant, most recent 18 or 19 Apr 1900. Introduction program began in 1996.	[Empty]																		
Tundra Swan 1 Widespread migrant. Common in mid-winter only at Ottawa NWR (Ottawa/Lucas Cos.), rare elsewhere.	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
Wood Duck *1 Widespread migrant and nester.	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
Gadwall *1 Widespread migrant. Rare nester along W Lake Erie. Winters commonly at Castalia (Erie Co.).	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
Eurasian Wigeon 1 Rare migrant, mostly along W Lake Erie. Casual in fall and winter. Beware of hybrids.	[Dotted line from Mar to May]																		
American Wigeon *1 Widespread migrant. Casual nester along W Lake Erie. Winters commonly at Castalia (Erie Co.).	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
American Black Duck *1 Widespread migrant. Rare nester in N. Black Duck x Mallard hybrids often detected.	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
Mallard *1↑ Widespread migrant and nester, least numerous in SE.	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
Blue-winged Teal *1 Widespread migrant. Locally uncommon nester, mostly along W Lake Erie.	[Dotted line from Mar to Dec]																		
CINNAMON TEAL 1 About eight records, six since 1980. Most recent: 26 Apr 1996. Beware of hybrids.	[Numbers: Apr 1 2 1 3 1 1, Nov 1]																		
Northern Shoveler *1 Widespread migrant. Rare nester, mostly W Lake Erie. Winters commonly at Castalia (Erie Co.).	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
Northern Pintail *1 Widespread migrant. Casual nester, mostly along W Lake Erie.	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
GARGANEY 2 One record: 19-25 May 2002, Lucas Co.	[Number: May 1 1]																		
Green-winged Teal *1 Widespread migrant. Rare nester, mostly along W Lake Erie.	[Dotted line from Jan to Dec]																		
Canvasback 1 Widespread migrant. Locally common in winter on Lake Erie.	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
Redhead *1 Widespread migrant. Casual nester, mostly W Lake Erie. Locally common in winter on Lake Erie.	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
Ring-necked Duck 1 Widespread migrant, especially on inland reservoirs.	[Dotted line from Jan to Dec]																		
TUFTED DUCK 3 One record: 3-14 Mar 1980, Lorain Co. Beware of hybrids.	[Number: Mar 1 1]																		
Greater Scaup 1 Locally common in winter on Lake Erie. Greatly outnumbered by Lesser Scaup inland.	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
Lesser Scaup *1 Widespread migrant on Lake Erie and inland. Greatly outnumbers Greater Scaup inland.	[Solid black bar from Jan to Dec]																		
KING EIDER 1 Numerous records, 27 since 1980. Most recent: 27 Nov-19 Dec 2002.	1	1	1	2	1						1	1	5	4	4	3	4	4	1

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COMMON EIDER 2 Two records: 9 Oct 1978, 3 Nov–31 Dec+ 2002.											1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1
Harlequin Duck 1 Rare migrant, mostly on Lake Erie.	•••••	•••••	•••••								•••••	•••••
Surf Scoter 1 Irregularly uncommon migrant on Lake Erie, very uncommon on inland reservoirs.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••					•••••	•••••	•••••
White-winged Scoter 1 Rare migrant on Lake Erie and on inland reservoirs.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••					•••••	•••••	•••••
Black Scoter 1 Irregularly uncommon migrant on Lake Erie, rare on inland reservoirs.	•		•••••							•••••	•••••	•••••
Long-tailed Duck 1 Rare migrant on Lake Erie and on inland reservoirs.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••						•••••	•••••	•••••
Bufflehead 1 Widespread migrant. Locally common in winter on Lake Erie.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	••					•••••	•••••	•••••
Common Goldeneye 1 Widespread migrant. Locally common in winter on Lake Erie.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•					•••••	•••••	•••••
BARROW'S GOLDENEYE 3 At least seven records, six since 1980. Most recent: 28 Feb 1994.	1 1	1 1 2 1 1										
Hooded Merganser *1 Widespread migrant. Locally uncommon wetlands nester, mostly in N.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
Common Merganser *1 Widespread migrant. Locally common in winter on Lake Erie. Recently confirmed nesting in NE.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•					•••••	•••••	•••••
Red-breasted Merganser 1 Widespread migrant. Can be abundant on Lake Erie in Nov.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••				•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
Ruddy Duck *1 Widespread migrant. Rare nester, mostly along W Lake Erie. Locally uncommon in winter.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
ACCIPITRIDAE: Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies												
Osprey *1 Widespread migrant. Current stocking program is augmenting nesters.			•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
SWALLOW-TAILED KITE 1 Locally common in early 1800s, only three records since 1980. Most recent: 5 May 2000.					1	1			1 1 1			
MISSISSIPPI KITE 1 At least 12 records, 11 since 1980. Most recent: 3 Jun 2002.					1 1 2	3 1 2 1 2				1		
Bald Eagle *1 Rare migrant, most likely along Lake Erie. Locally uncommon resident W Lake Erie and rare inland.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
Northern Harrier *1 Widespread migrant. Rare localized grasslands nester. Locally fairly common in winter.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
Sharp-shinned Hawk *1 Widespread migrant. Very uncommon nester in SE, rare elsewhere.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
Cooper's Hawk *1 Widespread migrant and nester.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
Northern Goshawk 1 Very rare migrant and winter resident.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••					•••••	•••••	•••••
HARRIS'S HAWK 1 One record: about 24 Dec 1917, Pickaway Co.												

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Red-shouldered Hawk *1 Widespread migrant. Fairly common nester in S & NE, generally rare elsewhere.													
Broad-winged Hawk *1 Widespread migrant. Fairly common nester in S & E. No accepted winter records.													
SWAINSON'S HAWK 3 Three records, all since 1983. Most recent: 6 Apr 1991.				1	1		1 1 1 1 1						
Red-tailed Hawk *1↑ Widespread migrant and nester.													
Rough-legged Hawk 1 Can be irregularly locally common winter resident, but generally uncommon to rare.													
Golden Eagle 1 Rare migrant, mostly along W Lake Erie and W of Toledo. Casual winter resident.			••••••••••							••••••••			
FALCONIDAE: Falcons													
American Kestrel *1 Widespread migrant and nester.													
Merlin *1 Very uncommon to rare migrant. Extirpated as a nester. Very local rare winter resident.	••••••••••	••••••••••	••••••••••	••••••••••	••••••••••			••••••••••	••••••••••	••••••••••	••••••••••	••••••••••	
GYRFALCON 1 Numerous records, seven since 1980. Most recent: 15 Dec 1995–16 Mar 1996.	1 1 3 3	2 3 1 1	1 1 2 1							1 1		1 1 1	
Peregrine Falcon *1 Very uncommon to rare migrant. Introduced urban nesters may reside or migrate.													
PRAIRIE FALCON 2 One record: 21 Jan 1983, Franklin Co.	1												
PHASIANIDAE: Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, and Old World Quail													
Gray Partridge {E}*1 Introduced in early 1900s. Once fairly common in W, now extirpated.													
Ring-necked Pheasant *1↓ Widespread permanent resident, its introduced population largely perpetuated by stocking.													
Ruffed Grouse *1 Permanent resident. Generally uncommon in SE, very uncommon to absent elsewhere.													
Greater Prairie-Chicken {E}*1 Locally common permanent resident in early 1800s, now extirpated.													
Wild Turkey *1 Locally common permanent resident, least numerous in WC.													
ODONTOPHORIDAE: New World Quail													
Northern Bobwhite *1↓ Widespread permanent resident. Generally uncommon in SW, uncommon at best elsewhere.													
RALLIDAE: Rails, Gallinules, and Coots													
YELLOW RAIL **1 Numerous records, 14 since 1980. Most recent: 7 Oct 2002. One nesting record, 1909.				1 3 3 4 1				1	2 1 2				
BLACK RAIL 1 Numerous records, four since 1980. Most recent: 26 Apr 1992.				1 1 1		1 1							
King Rail *1 Rare migrant and nester, mostly along W Lake Erie. Fall departure poorly defined.													
Virginia Rail *1 Locally uncommon nester, most numerous along W Lake Erie. Uncommon at best elsewhere.			•••								••••••••		

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Sora *1 Locally uncommon nester, most numerous along W Lake Erie. Uncommon at best elsewhere.				••	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	••		
PURPLE GALLINULE **1 Numerous records, 13 since 1980. Most recent: 30 Apr–27 May 2000.		1	1	1 5 2	2 2 3 3	1	1		1			
Common Moorhen *1 Generally uncommon nester, most numerous along W Lake Erie. Uncommon at best elsewhere.				•	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	••		
American Coot *1 Widespread migrant. Locally uncommon nester, mostly along W Lake Erie.	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————
GRUIDAE: Cranes												
Sandhill Crane *1 Uncommon migrant in W, generally rare elsewhere. Rare wetlands nester since 1987.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
CHARADRIIDAE: Lapwings and Plovers												
NORTHERN LAPWING 3 One record: 29-30 Dec 1994, Adams Co.												1
Black-bellied Plover 1 Widespread migrant, most numerous along Lake Erie.				•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
American Golden-Plover 1 Migrates mostly in W in spring, along Lake Erie in Fall.			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
SNOWY PLOVER 2 Five records, all between 1993-95. Most recent: 9 Aug–15 Sep 1995.					1		1 1	1 1 1 1 1 2				
WILSON'S PLOVER 1 One record: 17 Jun 1936, Lucas Co.												
Semipalmated Plover 1 Widespread migrant, most numerous along Lake Erie.				•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
PIPING PLOVER *1 Numerous records, 44 since 1980. Most recent: 16 Aug 2002. Extirpated as a nester.				2	2 2 4 4	1 1	4 3 2	4 4 5 2 5 4	1 1 2 2 1 1			
Killdeer *1↑ Widespread migrant and nester. Generally very rare in winter, most likely in S.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
RECURVIROSTRIDAE: Stilts and Avocets												
BLACK-NECKED STILT 2 Numerous records, seven since 1980. Most recent: 22-24 May 2000.					3 2		2 1 1 1 1	1			1 1	
American Avocet 1 Rare migrant, most likely along Lake Erie.				•••••			•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
SCOLOPACIDAE: Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and Allies												
Greater Yellowlegs 1 Widespread migrant.			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Lesser Yellowlegs 1 Widespread migrant.			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
SPOTTED REDSHANK 3 One record: 28 Aug 1979, Erie Co.												
Solitary Sandpiper 1 Widespread migrant.				•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Willet 1 Rare migrant, most likely along Lake Erie.				•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Spotted Sandpiper *1 Widespread migrant and nester.				•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

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Upland Sandpiper *1 Rare migrant. Rare localized grasslands nester, mostly at airports.				•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••			
ESKIMO CURLEW 1 Former migrant, now on verge of extinction. Only Ohio specimen from prior to 1900.												
Whimbrel 1 Rare migrant, most likely along Lake Erie.					••		•••••	•••••	•••••	••		
LONG-BILLED CURLEW 2 At least three records, two since 1980. Most recent: 1-2 Oct 1999.						1				1		
Hudsonian Godwit 1 Rare fall migrant, most likely along Lake Erie. Casual in spring.								•••••	•••••	•••••	••	
Marbled Godwit 1 Rare migrant, most likely along Lake Erie.				•••••			•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••		
Ruddy Turnstone 1 Generally uncommon migrant, most likely along Lake Erie.					•	■		•	■	■	•	
Red Knot 1 Rare migrant, most likely along Lake Erie.					••		•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••		
Sanderling 1 Generally uncommon but irregularly common migrant, mostly along Lake Erie beaches.					•••••		•	■	■	■	•••••	
Semipalmated Sandpiper 1 Widespread migrant. Most numerous along Lake Erie.				•	■	•	■	■	■	•		
Western Sandpiper 1 Rare migrant, most likely along Lake Erie. Generally very rare in spring.					•		•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••		
RED-NECKED STINT 2 One record: 21 Jul 1962, Ashtabula Co.												
Least Sandpiper 1 Widespread migrant. Most numerous along Lake Erie.				•	■	•	■	■	■	■	•••••	
White-rumped Sandpiper 1 Uncommon migrant, irregularly common in late May. Most likely along Lake Erie.					•	■		•••••	•••••	•••••		
Baird's Sandpiper 1 Uncommon fall migrant, most likely along Lake Erie.							•••••	■	■	■	•••••	
Pectoral Sandpiper 1 Widespread migrant.			•	■	■	••	•	■	■	■	•••••	
SHARP-TAILED SANDPIPER 2 Two records: 6-23 Oct 1984, 1-2 Dec 1990.										1 1 1		1
Purple Sandpiper 1 Rare late fall migrant along Lake Erie breakwalls. Very few inland records.	••										•••••	•••••
Dunlin 1 Widespread migrant. Most numerous along Lake Erie.				•••••	■			•••••	■	■	■	•••••
CURLEW SANDPIPER 2 Five records, all since 1984. Most recent: 4-7 May 1995.					2 1 2		1 1 1					
Stilt Sandpiper 1 Generally uncommon fall migrant, most likely along Lake Erie. Rare in spring.					••		•	■	■	■	•••••	
Buff-breasted Sandpiper 1 Rare fall migrant, most likely along Lake Erie.								•••••	•••••			

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RUFF 1 Numerous records, 30 since 1980. Most recent: 31 Jul-3 Aug 2002.				3 4 1	3 3 7 1	1	1 1 1	1 1 1 2 1 1		1 1		
Short-billed Dowitcher 1 Widespread migrant. Most numerous along Lake Erie.					•	■	■	■	■	•		
Long-billed Dowitcher 1 Irregular fall migrant, may become locally common along W Lake Erie. Very rare in spring.			•	•	•	•	•	•	■	■	•	
Common Snipe *1 Widespread migrant. Very rare wetlands nester in NE & NW. Locally rare in winter.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
EURASIAN WOODCOCK 1 One record: 6 Nov 1935, Geauga Co.												
American Woodcock *1 Widespread migrant and nester. Casual in mid-winter.		•	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	•	•
Wilson's Phalarope *1 Rare migrant, most likely along Lake Erie. A few nesting records in W.					•	•	•	•	•	•		
Red-necked Phalarope 1 Rare migrant, most likely along Lake Erie.					•	•		•	•	•		
Red Phalarope 1 Rare late fall migrant, mostly along Lake Erie.										•	•	•
LARIDAE: Skuas, Gulls, and Terns												
Pomarine Jaeger 1 Rare late fall migrant, mostly immatures. Almost exclusively on Lake Erie.											•	•
PARASITIC JAEGER 1 Numerous records, 45 since 1980. Most recent: 1 Oct 1997	2	1							2 1 1	6 3 2 2	9 4 7 7	4 2 1
LONG-TAILED JAEGER 1 About 15 records, 10 since 1980. Most recent: 27 Oct 2001.					1	1			2 2 3	1		
Laughing Gull **1 Rare migrant and summer visitor along Lake Erie and at inland reservoirs. One nesting record, 1984.				•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Franklin's Gull 1 Very uncommon to rare migrant along Lake Erie and at inland reservoirs.				•	•	•	•	•	•	■	■	•
Little Gull 1 Very uncommon to rare winter visitor, almost exclusively on Lake Erie.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
BLACK-HEADED GULL 2 Numerous records, first in 1965, 33 since 1980. Most recent: 15 Mar-7 Apr 2002.	7 4 1 1	1 2 1	2 3 2 2	1			1	1 1			3 3 3 1	4 6 8
Bonaparte's Gull 1 Widespread migrant. Largest numbers occur in fall and early winter on Lake Erie.	■	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
HEERMANN'S GULL 2 Two records: 12 Feb-12 Mar 1980, 20 Dec 1980-12 Mar 1981. Probably the same individual.	1 1 1 1	1 2 2 2 2										1 1
MEW GULL 2 Eight records, all since 1980. Most recent: 12 Mar 2001. All pertain to W US race.	2 2 3		1 2 1 1								1 2 3 2 3	
Ring-billed Gull *1 Widespread migrant and inland visitor. Locally common nester along Lake Erie.												
CALIFORNIA GULL 2 First record 1979, 31 since 1980. Most recent: 3-8 Nov 2002.	3 6 2 2	3 4 4 3	2 2 1		1 1 1					1 4 6 3 3 2		2 2
Herring Gull *1 Widespread migrant. Locally common nester and very common winter resident along Lake Erie.												

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Thayer's Gull 1 Rare winter resident, almost exclusively on Lake Erie.	•••••	•••••	•••••								•••••	•••••
Iceland Gull 2 Rare winter resident, almost exclusively on Lake Erie.	•••••	•••••	•••••	••								••
Lesser Black-backed Gull 2 Uncommon winter resident on Lake Erie. Very rare inland.	—————	—————	••••						•••••	•••••	—————	—————
Glaucous Gull 1 Uncommon winter resident, almost exclusively on Lake Erie.	—————	—————	••••								••••	—————
Great Black-backed Gull 1 Common fall/winter resident on Lake Erie, where locally uncommon in summer. Very rare inland.	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————
Sabine's Gull 1 Very rare fall migrant, almost exclusively immatures on Lake Erie.									•••••	•••••		
Black-legged Kittiwake 1 Very rare late fall migrant. Casual winter visitor. Almost exclusively immatures on Lake Erie.											•••••	•••••
ROSS'S GULL 3 Two records: 14 Dec 1997, 15 Nov 1998.											1	1
IVORY GULL 2 One record: 17-19 Dec 1975, Cuyahoga Co.												
Caspian Tern 1 Widespread migrant. Most numerous along Lake Erie.				•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••		
ROYAL TERN 2 One record: 8-26 Jul and 17 Aug 1995, Lorain and Ashtabula Cos.							1 1 1	1				
Common Tern *1 Locally common migrant in fall along Lake Erie. Uncommon inland. Colonial nester W Lake Erie.				••••	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	—————	•••••	••
ARCTIC TERN 2 Two records: 27 Jul 1980, 5 Jun 1993.						1		1				
Forster's Tern 1 Locally common migrant in fall along Lake Erie. Uncommon at best inland.				••••	••••		••••	••••	••••	••••	••••	
LEAST TERN 1 Numerous records, 16 since 1980. Most recent: 12-13 Aug 2001.					1 1	1 1	1 1	1 2 2	1 1 2	1		
LARGE-BILLED TERN 3 One record: 29 May 1954, Mahoning Co.												
Black Tern *1 Generally rare migrant along Lake Erie and inland. Very rare nester along W Lake Erie.					•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••		
ALCIDAE: Auks, Murres, and Puffins												
THICK-BILLED MURRE 1 Numerous records 1896-1907. Most recent: 12 Dec 1920.												
BLACK GUILLEMOT 1 One record: 8-11 Nov 1990, Cuyahoga Co.											1	
LONG-BILLED MURRELET 2 One record: 12-18 Nov 1996, Seneca Co.											1 1	
ANCIENT MURRELET 1 One record: 28 Mar 1951, Erie Co.												
ATLANTIC PUFFIN 1 One record: 18 Nov 1980, Lucas Co.											1	

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COLUMBIDAE: Pigeons and Doves												
Rock Dove *1 Widespread permanent resident. Primarily urban.												
EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE 1 One record: 1 Sep 2001, Crawford Co.									1			
WHITE-WINGED DOVE 2 One record: 10 Jun 2000, Logan Co.						1						
Mourning Dove *1 Widespread permanent resident and migrant.												
Passenger Pigeon {X}1 Abundant through 1850s, the last wild bird was shot 24 Mar 1900, Pike Co.												
COMMON GROUND-DOVE 2 One record: 5-6 Nov 1999, Cuyahoga Co.											1	
PSITTACIDAE: Parakeets												
Carolina Parakeet {X}1 Former nomadic visitor, last wild record Jul 1862, Franklin Co.												
CUCULIDAE: Cuckoos and Anis												
Black-billed Cuckoo *1 Widespread uncommon migrant and nester. Most numerous in N.					●				●●●●			
Yellow-billed Cuckoo *1 Widespread migrant and nester.					●				●●●●			
SMOOTH-BILLED ANI 1 One record: 25 Nov 1993, Cuyahoga Co.												1
GROOVE-BILLED ANI 1 Four records, two since 1980. Most recent: 9 Oct-19 Nov 1981.								1		1 1 1	1 1 1	
TYTONIDAE: Barn Owls												
Barn Owl *1 Very rare migrant. Rare nester, most numerous in Wayne and Holmes Cos.				●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
STRIGIDAE: Typical Owls												
Eastern Screech-Owl *1 Widespread permanent resident.												
Great Horned Owl *1 Widespread permanent resident.												
Snowy Owl 1 Rare winter resident, most likely along Lake Erie.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
NORTHERN HAWK OWL 1 At least two records. Most recent: 16 Jan 1978.												
BURROWING OWL 3 Two records: early Oct 1944, 5-6 Apr 1981.				1								
Barred Owl *1 Widespread permanent resident. Most numerous in SE.												
GREAT GRAY OWL 1 Two records: Nov or Dec 1898, 30 Oct 1947.												
Long-eared Owl *1 Rare migrant. Casual nester. Rare winter resident but may form roosts.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Short-eared Owl *1 Very uncommon migrant. Casual nester. Grassland denizen, locally uncommon in winter.				●	●	●	●			●	●	●

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TYRANNIDAE: Tyrant Flycatchers												
Olive-sided Flycatcher **1 <small>Rare migrant, irregularly very uncommon along Lake Erie. One nesting record, 1932.</small>					•••••			•••••				
Eastern Wood-Pewee *1↓ <small>Widespread migrant and nester.</small>					•	████████████████████				•		
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher 1 <small>Uncommon migrant, most likely along Lake Erie.</small>					•	████████		••	████████	••		
Acadian Flycatcher *1↓ <small>Widespread nester, least numerous in WC. Very uncommon migrant away from nesting areas.</small>					•	████████████████████				•		
Alder Flycatcher *1 <small>Uncommon spring migrant, most likely along Lake Erie. Uncommon to rare nester in N.</small>					•	████████	•••••	•••••	•••••			
Willow Flycatcher *1 <small>Widespread migrant and nester. Least numerous in SE.</small>					•	████████████████████			•••			
Least Flycatcher *1 <small>Widespread migrant. Very uncommon to rare nester in N.</small>					•	████████	████████████████████			•		
GRAY FLYCATCHER 2 <small>One record: 20-22 Aug 1988, Lucas Co.</small>									1			
Eastern Phoebe *1 <small>Widespread migrant and nester. Least numerous in WC & NW. Very rare in mid-winter.</small>	•••••	•••••	•••••	•	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████████████████	•••••	•••••
SAY'S PHOEBE 2 <small>Two records: 26 Nov 1989, 11 Dec 1997–7 Jan 1998.</small>	1											1 1 1 1
VERMILION FLYCATCHER 1 <small>Three records, one since 1980. Most recent: 4 Nov–12 Dec 2001.</small>											1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1
Great Crested Flycatcher *1 <small>Widespread migrant and nester.</small>					•	████████████████████	████████████████████	•••••	•••			
WESTERN KINGBIRD **1 <small>Numerous records, 16 since 1980. Most recent: 9 Aug 2002. One nesting record, 1933.</small>							1 1 1 1 1	2	1 4 4 2			
Eastern Kingbird *1 <small>Widespread migrant and nester.</small>					•	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████	••		
SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER 1 <small>About 10 records, three since 1980. Most recent: 14-15 May 1997.</small>					1	1			1			
LANIIDAE: Shrikes												
LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE *1 <small>Graph represents nesting period. Published records from 1992-2001 indicated for rest of year.</small>	3 2 2 3	2 1 1 1	1 1 1 1	1 2	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
Northern Shrike 1 <small>Rare irregular winter resident, most likely in N.</small>	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••						•••••	•••••
VIREONIDAE: Vireos												
White-eyed Vireo *1 <small>Widespread migrant and nester, least numerous in WC.</small>					•	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████	•••		
Bell's Vireo *1 <small>Casual migrant. Very rare nester in W, most often at Buck Creek SP (Clark Co.).</small>							•••••	•••••				
Yellow-throated Vireo *1 <small>Widespread nester, least numerous in WC & NW. Uncommon migrant away from nesting areas.</small>					•	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████	•••		
Blue-headed Vireo *1 <small>Widespread migrant. Locally uncommon nester in hemlock gorges and pine/spruce plantings.</small>					•	████████	████████████████████	████████████████████	████████████████████	••		

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Yellow-rumped Warbler 1 Widespread migrant. Generally uncommon to rare winter resident, most numerous in S.	■			■		●			●	■					
BLACK-THROATED GRAY WARBLER 1 At least eight records, six since 1980. Most recent: 17 Apr 2002.	1	1	1	1	1						1	2	2	2	2
Black-throated Green Warbler *1 Widespread migrant. Locally common nester in hemlock gorges and pine/spruce plantings.				●	■				■		●	●			
TOWNSEND'S WARBLER 3 Two records: 7 Apr 1973, 30 Apr 1983.				1											
Blackburnian Warbler *1 Widespread migrant. Very rare localized nester in hemlock habitats in NE, Ashland and Hocking Cos.				●	■	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			
Yellow-throated Warbler *1 Locally common nester in S and unglaciated areas. Uncommon at best elsewhere.				●	■				■		●	●			
Pine Warbler *1 Generally uncommon localized nester in SE pines, rare at best elsewhere. Casual in winter.			●	■				■				●	●		
KIRTLAND'S WARBLER 1 About 50 records, 16 since 1980. Increasing. Most recent: 14 May 2002.					2	7	6		1	1					
Prairie Warbler *1 Locally common nester in S and unglaciated counties, rare at best elsewhere.				●	■				●	●	●	●	●		
Palm Warbler 1 Widespread migrant.				●	■	●			●	■	●				
Bay-breasted Warbler 1 Widespread migrant.				●	■	●			●	■	●				
Blackpoll Warbler 1 Widespread migrant.				●	■	●			●	■	●	●			
Cerulean Warbler *1 Widespread nester, most numerous in SE. Uncommon at best elsewhere.				●	■				●	●	●	●	●		
Black-and-white Warbler *1 Widespread migrant. Fairly common nester in SE, uncommon at best elsewhere.				●	■				■		●				
American Redstart *1 Widespread migrant and nester. Least numerous across C.				●	■				■				●		
Prothonotary Warbler *1 Widespread, locally uncommon nester in wooded swamps and backwaters. Rare at best elsewhere.				●	■				●	●	●	●	●		
Worm-eating Warbler *1 Locally fairly common nester in SC & SE. Rare at best elsewhere.				●	■				●	●	●	●	●		
SWAINSON'S WARBLER 1 About 10 records, four since 1980. Most recent: 28 Apr 1998.				2	1	1	1	1							
Ovenbird *1 Widespread migrant and nester. Nesters least numerous in SW & WC.				●	■				■				●	●	
Northern Waterthrush *1 Widespread migrant. Very rare nester in NE wetlands.				●	■	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			
Louisiana Waterthrush *1 Locally fairly common riparian nester in S & E. Rare at best in WC & NW.				●	■				●	●	●				
Kentucky Warbler *1 Common nester in S and unglaciated areas. Rare at best elsewhere.				●	■				●	●	●	●	●		

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Indigo Bunting *1 Widespread migrant and nester.				●								●		
PAINTED BUNTING 2 Two records: 16-19 Apr 1997, 13 May 2000.				1	1									
Dickcissel *1 Irregularly common nester in W, uncommon at best in E. Migrants rare away from nesting areas.					●				●	●	●	●		
ICTERIDAE: Blackbirds														
Bobolink *1↓ Widespread migrant and nester. Nesters least numerous in S.					●								●	●
Red-winged Blackbird *1↓ Widespread migrant and nester. Locally common in winter.														
Eastern Meadowlark *1↓ Widespread migrant and nester. Locally uncommon in winter, mostly in S.														
Western Meadowlark *1 Rare migrant and nester, mostly in W.				●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
Yellow-headed Blackbird *1 Rare nester in W Lake Erie marshes. Very rare migrant elsewhere. Casual in winter.				●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
Rusty Blackbird 1 Widespread migrant. Generally rare winter resident.	●	●	●	●	●					●				
Brewer's Blackbird 1 Rare migrant. Casual in winter, most likely in W.				●	●						●	●		
Common Grackle *1 Widespread migrant and nester. Locally common in winter.														
GREAT-TAILED GRACKLE 2 One record: 6-7 May 1985, Ottawa Co.					1									
Brown-headed Cowbird *1 Widespread migrant and nester. Locally common in winter.														
Orchard Oriole *1 Widespread migrant and nester. Nesters least numerous in NE.					●				●					
BULLOCK'S ORIOLE 2 Three records, one since 1980. Most recent: 8 Dec 1990-2 Apr 1991.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			1		
Baltimore Oriole *1↑ Widespread migrant and nester. Casual in early winter.					●								●	
FRINGILLIDAE: Fringilline and Cardueline Finches and Allies														
BRAMBLING 2 One record: 31 Mar-7 Apr 1987, Summit Co.				1	1									
GRAY-CROWNED ROSY-FINCH 2 One record: 6-7 Feb 1984, Lucas Co. Another rosy-finch, this species or Black, seen 5-6 Apr 1971.		1												
PINE GROSBEAK 1 Numerous records, 10 since 1980. Most recent: 22 Feb 1987.	1	2	1								1	1		
Purple Finch *1 Widespread migrant. Uncommon nester in NE, rare at best elsewhere. Uncommon in winter.														
House Finch *1↑ Widespread permanent resident. Fairly recent invader of Ohio (1964).														
Red Crossbill **1 Rare and irregular migrant and winter visitor. One nesting record, 1973.	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		

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White-winged Crossbill 1 Rare and irregular migrant and winter visitor.	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••						•••••	•••••
Common Redpoll 1 Generally uncommon/rare and irregular migrant and winter visitor. Most likely in N.	—————				••						•—————	
HOARY REDPOLL 1 Numerous records, 14 since 1980. Most recent: 20-21 Jan & 16-18 Feb 2000.	1	1 1	1 2 4 2	3 3 5 2 1								1
Pine Siskin *1 Generally uncommon/rare and irregular migrant and winter visitor. Casual nester.	—————					•				•—————		
American Goldfinch *1 Widespread permanent resident and migrant.	—————											
Evening Grosbeak **1 Generally uncommon/rare and irregular migrant and winter visitor. One nesting record, 1979.	—————					•					•—————	
PASSERIDAE: Old World Sparrows												
House Sparrow *1↓ Widespread permanent resident.	—————											