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## 2007-2008 CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS IN NEBRASKA

The 2007-08 Christmas Bird Count (CBC) period will be remembered for snow cover and cold temperatures. More counts than usual were postponed due to weather. The average high temperature on count day this year was 28° F and the low was 12°F, both of which are 5-10° colder than any count day average since 2000-01. Only three counts made it above freezing during the course of the day. Snow was also a problem, and although only two circles recorded precipitation on the day of the count, snow cover and ice from earlier storms resulted in stuck vehicles, arduous walking, and inaccessible areas. Open water was at a premium: many counts reported only a few small patches of water in the ice cover.

Fourteen CBCs were held during the period, the same number that were reported last year. Despite the inclement weather, 222 observers participated. The total number of species this year was 130, one less than last year. The total number of individuals (133,106) was the lowest since 1998, due largely to the low numbers of Canada Geese and Mallards.

Goose numbers were all down this year, some dramatically. Only 15,910 Canada Geese were found, which is the lowest total since 1992. The number of Snow Geese, which has varied from a high of 308,463 in 1988 to a low of zero in 1983, was a meager 11 this year, 6 of those at DeSoto, a former Snow Goose haven. Greater White-fronted and Ross's were missed entirely this year, which has not happened since 1997.

With the exception of Wood Ducks, which hit a high of 34 this year, most duck numbers were down. The most drastic drop was Mallard, with a count this year of 7580, lowest since 1983 and down from 51,544 last year. Greater Scaup was missed for the first time since 1997. A highlight at Branched Oak-Seward was the White-winged Scoter, a first for that count. Only two Redheads were found, one at Calamus-Loup and one during count week at Omaha. In general, the numbers of diving ducks (*Aythya* genus) in the past three years have been low in comparison with the previous four years. A good example of this is the Ring-necked Duck. Its 2001-2004 average is 160, but the 2005-2007 average is only 32.

Gallinaceous bird numbers were good; both Calamus-Loup and Lake McConaughy recorded all 5 species. Ring-necked Pheasant (high count was 323 at Norfolk), Greater Prairie-Chicken (high was 174 at Beaver Valley) and Northern Bobwhite (high was 73 at Grand Island) were all at peak numbers since 1994. Grebes were apparently elsewhere this year. Of the 6 species which have been seen on Nebraska CBCs, only two (Pied-billed: one each at Lincoln and Scottsbluff, and Western: one at Lake McConaughy) were found this year.

One Osprey was a surprise at Scottsbluff, and the Red-shouldered Hawk at Omaha was the first since 2002. Red-tailed Hawks were widespread (every count except one) and at an all-time high of 616. Cooper's Hawks also reached a new high count of 36. Although they were widespread (counted everywhere except Lincoln and Harrison), Bald Eagle numbers were down this year to 184, the lowest since 1998; they were most numerous (350) in 2005.

As usual, the only rails were two Virginias at Lake McConaughy. Coot numbers were down to 24 this year (average for the past 10 years is 328), and the only shorebirds counted anywhere were Killdeer and Wilson's Snipe, not surprising given the harsh weather. It was a disappointing gull year: only five species were found, and the 57 Ring-billeds were the fewest since 1989, when none were found.

Eurasian Collared-Dove numbers continue to climb since they were first counted on a Nebraska CBC in 2000; this year they were seen on every count except Lincoln and Ponca. The total of 538 this year is a new high and is greater than the number of Mourning Doves seen, which were at their highest since 1996.

Owl numbers were within their historical range. Interesting owls were the Short-eared at Branched Oak-Seward and the Saw-whet at Lake McConaughy. Red-headed Woodpecker numbers have dropped into the single digits in the past two years. Omaha had the only Red-headed and the only Pileated, the third appearance for the latter species on a CBC.

The 41 Northern Shrikes found was the highest count since 1994. American Crow numbers have been dropping since their all-time high of 11,002 in 2003; this year's count of 908 was the lowest since 1983. Horned Larks apparently don't mind harsh winter weather. They were found on all the counts (count week at Calamus-Loup) and reached a new high of 10,015 (average of previous 10 years is 1543).

Black-capped Chickadee numbers continue to be a puzzle. The 2003 CBCs saw drastic drops (from an average of 152 per count circle in 2002 to an average of 70 in 2003). Low numbers continued in 2004 with an average of 58. In 2005, numbers seemed to be beginning a rebound with an average of 76 with two new counts added (Ames and Harrison). However, the average per circle dropped to 70 in 2006 and further to 49 in 2007. Two of the western CBCs (Harrison and Scottsbluff) saw modest increases from 2006 to 2007, as did four of the central CBCs (Calamus-Loup, Lake McConaughy, Lincoln and Norfolk). However, the CBCs along the Missouri River (DeSoto, Omaha and Ponca) all showed decreases this year; Ponca went from 93 in 2006 to 23 in 2007. On a brighter note, Mountain Chickadees appeared at Scottsbluff and Harrison (first ever at Harrison) for a total of 5 individuals, highest since 1994.

The Red-breasted Nuthatch invasion resulted in the highest-ever count (194) and an appearance at every count but one (Crawford). Carolina Wrens continued their high numbers from last year (47 in 2006, 41 in 2007); previous high had been 18 in 1999. Townsend's Solitaires bounced back from 25 in 2006 to 140 this year, and American Robins more than tripled last year's count of 3793 with a tally of 14,093, due largely to the 10,712 found at Lake McConaughy.

Bohemian Waxwings, which occur rarely on CBCs, were found at Harrison (325), Lake McConaughy (18), and at Crawford during the week of the count. High count is 562 from 2004. The only warblers were Yellow-rumped, but they were found in five locations.

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## 2007-08 CBC Site Data

	Date	Species	Individuals	Observers	Low Temp	High Temp	Sky (am/pm)	Rain	Snow
Ames	27 Dec	53	7,441	12	11	20	cloudy	none	none
Beaver Valley	16 Dec	38	1,354	3 + 1	2	24	cloudy	none	none
Branched Oak/Seward	15 Dec	69	9,341	15	12	22	cloudy	none	am
Calamus-Loup	29 Dec	56	4,815	6	10	23	partly cloudy	none	none
Crawford	29 Dec	29	1,239	13 + 4	8	36	clear	none	none
DeSoto-Boyer	23 Dec	54	9,059	16	15	26	clear / pt. cloudy	none	none
Grand Island	15 Dec	64	10,557	10 + 5	16	26	clear	none	none
Harrison	30 Dec	30	1,099	3	15	29	cloudy	none	pm
Lake McConaughy	29 Dec	93	34,577	17 + 15	0	28	partly cloudy	none	none
Lincoln	5 Jan 08	69	14,933	34 + 7	20	44	partly clear	none	none
Norfolk	15 Dec	57	12,306	13	N/A	N/A	N/A	none	none
Omaha	16 Dec	71	7,135	24	16	35	partly cloudy	none	none
Ponca S.P.	22 Dec	43	1,945	10	18	20	cloudy/clear	none	none
Scottsbluff	15 Dec	66	17,305	14	6	32	clear	none	none
<b>Total</b>		<b>130</b>	<b>133,106</b>	<b>190 + 32</b>					

Additional observer numbers at Beaver Valley, Crawford, Grand Island, Lake McConaughy and Lincoln are feeder watchers.

Fox Sparrows were well-represented, showing up at five eastern counts for an all-time high of 34. Likewise Harris's Sparrows, which were found in all but the Panhandle circles, appeared in the greatest numbers (741) since 1989 (1253). White-crowned Sparrows reached an all-time high of 222, of those, 136 were in Scottsbluff. Dark-eyed Juncos were found in good numbers on all of the counts; the total tally of 11,489 is a new high; the yearly average for the past 10 years is 4387. Lapland Longspurs were at their lowest since 1988, and only one Snow Bunting was found, at Ames. (Perhaps our weather was too mild for these species?)

The 202 Great-tailed Grackles was a new high; 135 of those were in Grand Island. Most of the 116 Brown-headed Cowbirds were from the Grand Island CBC also. Purple Finches had a great year, appearing at counts all across the state; the 436 total is a new high, beating 2003's previous high count of 223. Two Cassin's Finches, a species which has only been found on CBCs six times, all since 1993, were found at Lake McConaughy. Red Crossbills had a low tally (5) and were only found in Lincoln (and count week Scottsbluff). Three Common Redpolls were found, down from last year's spike of 19. Pine Siskins were everywhere (12 out of 14 counts); the total of 1015 was the highest since 1143 in 1987.

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	Ames	Beaver Valley	Branched Oak-Seward	Calamus-Loup	Crawford	DeSoto-Boyer Chute	Grand Island	Harrison
Snow Goose	1					6		
Cackling Goose								
Canada Goose	433		42	165		856	2297	
Trumpeter Swan				6				
Swan sp						3		
Wood Duck							15	
Gadwall			3	7				
American Wigeon				95			12	
American Black Duck								
Mallard	412	136	66	631		1859	1204	3
Blue-winged Teal						2		
Northern Shoveler			1	2				
Northern Pintail			1					
Green-winged Teal			1					

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	Lake McConaughy	Lincoln	Norfolk	Omaha	Ponca State Park	Scottsbluff	Total
Snow Goose	1 cw			2		1	11
Cackling Goose	370	86	150	5		5	616
Canada Goose	2334	5335	265	1282	25	2876	15910
Trumpeter Swan							6
Swan sp							3
Wood Duck	1	8	1	6		3	34
Gadwall	6						16
American Wigeon	13					84	204
American Black Duck				1			1
Mallard	815	748	181	218	4	1303	7580
Blue-winged Teal							2
Northern Shoveler	1					21	25
Northern Pintail	3					61	65
Green-winged Teal	116	33		16		5	171

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	Ames	Beaver Valley	Branched Oak-Seward	Calamus-Loup	Crawford	DeSoto-Boyer Chute	Grand Island	Harrison
Casvasback								
Redhead				1				
Ring-necked Duck								
Lesser Scaup			1			1		
Scaup sp								
White-winged Scoter			1					
Bufflehead								
Common Goldeneye		cw		23		15	28	
Barrow's Goldeneye								
Hooded Merganser				1				
Common Merganser				27		51		
Red-breasted Merganser								
Ruddy Duck		cw					33	
Duck sp								
Ring-necked Pheasant	51	7	110	1	4	85	11	
Sharp-tailed Grouse				1				
Greater Prairie-Chicken		174		40				
Wild Turkey	108	54	129	21	49	238	218	1
Northern Bobwhite			21	15			73	12
Common Loon								
Pied-billed Grebe								
Western Grebe								
American White Pelican								
Great Blue Heron	2						3	cw
Osprey								
Bald Eagle	5	8	3	4	2	49	4	
adult	3			4	2	19	2	
immature	2					19	2	
unspecified age		8	3			11		



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	Lake McConaughy	Lincoln	Norfolk	Omaha	Ponca State Park	Scottsbluff	Total
Casvasback				5			5
Redhead				cw			1
Ring-necked Duck						26	26
Lesser Scaup	2						4
Scaup sp			1				1
White-winged Scoter							1
Bufflehead	7						7
Common Goldeneye	222		1	8	11	200	508
Barrow's Goldeneye						1	1
Hooded Merganser	5	3				2	11
Common Merganser	9,792			cw	9		9,879
Red-breasted Merganser	2					1	3
Ruddy Duck							33
Duck sp				21			21
Ring-necked Pheasant	22	6	323	11	52	17	700
Sharp-tailed Grouse	6						7
Greater Prairie-Chicken	83						297
Wild Turkey	12	7	48	126	148	4	1,163
Northern Bobwhite	57	24	30		7		239
Common Loon	1						1
Pied-billed Grebe		1				1	2
Western Grebe	1						1
American White Pelican	5	1					6
Great Blue Heron	9			1			15
Osprey						1	1
Bald Eagle	63		8	10	17	11	184
adult			8			8	46
immature						3	26
unspecified age	63			10	17		112

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	Ames	Beaver Valley	Branched Oak-Seward	Calamus-Loup	Crawford	DeSoto-Boyer Chute	Grand Island	Harrison
Northern Harrier		3	7	1		4	3	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	1	4	4		3	2	
Cooper's Hawk	cw		5	2		1	8	
Accipiter sp.						1		
Red-shouldered Hawk								
Red-tailed Hawk	46	8	89	17	1	91	54	
Ferruginous Hawk							1	
Rough-legged Hawk			4	1	1	1	14	
Buteo sp.			5			1		
Golden Eagle					cw			
American Kestrel	8	2	8	9	1	12	10	1
Merlin	2		5	1		cw	1	
Prairie Falcon	1				1			
hawk sp.								
Virginia Rail								
American Coot			3				7	
Killdeer								
Wilson's Snipe				1				1
Ring-billed Gull								
California Gull								
Herring Gull								
Thayer's Gull								
Lesser Black-backed Gull								
Rock Pigeon	132	25	47	3	28	128	338	3
Eurasian Collared-Dove	4	41	39	14	60	10	71	24
Mourning Dove	35		42			81	10	
Eastern Screech-Owl			2	4	1	2	9	
Great Horned Owl	2	1	12			1		1

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	Lake McConaughy	Lincoln	Norfolk	Omaha	Ponca State Park	Scottsbluff	Total
Northern Harrier	15	6	2	2	1	3	47
Sharp-shinned Hawk	6	8	5	2 cw		1	37
Cooper's Hawk	5	6	3	5		1	36
Accipiter sp.		2	4				7
Red-shouldered Hawk				1			1
Red-tailed Hawk	25	66	85	102	26	6	616
Ferruginous Hawk	1					1	3
Rough-legged Hawk	4	2	4		18 cw		49
Buteo sp.		3	3				12
Golden Eagle	1					1	2
American Kestrel	18	22	19	9	2	19	140
Merlin	1	2	2				14
Prairie Falcon		1	1			1	5
hawk sp.		1					1
Virginia Rail	2						2
American Coot		3				11	24
Killdeer	7						7
Wilson's Snipe	9		1			1	13
Ring-billed Gull	53	1		3			57
California Gull	6						6
Herring Gull	200			1			201
Thayer's Gull	1						1
Lesser Black-backed Gull	1						1
Rock Pigeon	58	554	1,208	140	36	284	2,984
Eurasian Collared-Dove	122		47	5		101	538
Mourning Dove	22	138	28	167	3	5	531
Eastern Screech-Owl	1	2	3				24
Great Horned Owl	7	8	6	5	1	4	48

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	Ames	Beaver Valley	Branched Oak-Seward	Calamus-Loup	Crawford	DeSoto-Boyer Chute	Grand Island	Harrison
Barred Owl	1		2			2		
Long-eared Owl			3					
Short-eared Owl			1					
Northern Saw-whet Owl								
Belted Kingfisher	4		1	4			4	
Red-headed Woodpecker								
Red-bellied Woodpecker	15	11	44	2		37	5	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			1			1	1	
Downy Woodpecker	27	7	65	9	6	40	12	5
Hairy Woodpecker	2	1	16	4	1	15	2	6
Northern Flicker	14	8	38	21		43	25	
Pileated Woodpecker								
Loggerhead Shrike								
Northern Shrike	1	1	4	6		2	2	cw
Shrike sp								
Blue Jay	22	4	148	3	5	63	28	6
Pinyon Jay					cw			
Black-billed Magpie			1		5		1	
American Crow	7	18	355	55	49	88	17	44
Horned Lark	238	247	127	cw	442	304	947	191
Black-capped Chickadee	54		10	5	26	105	2	13
Mountain Chickadee								1
Tufted Titmouse						17		
Red-breasted Nuthatch	5	3	23	3		8	4	3
White-breasted Nuthatch	27	12	58	5	7	51	24	1
Pygmy Nuthatch					6			35
Brown Creeper	8		10			1		
Carolina Wren	2		6				1	

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Barred Owl		4		3	1		13
Long-eared Owl	14						17
Short-eared Owl							1
Northern Saw-whet Owl	1						1
Belted Kingfisher	5	9		2		3	32
Red-headed Woodpecker				1			1
Red-bellied Woodpecker	5	62	16	62	12		271
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker		2		3			8
Downy Woodpecker	26	109	21	87	9	12	435
Hairy Woodpecker	13	15	11	16	5	2	109
Northern Flicker	78	40	12	21	5	27	332
Pileated Woodpecker				1			1
Loggerhead Shrike		1					1
Northern Shrike	11	4	5		4	1	41
Shrike sp		1					1
Blue Jay	16	229	47	75	22	79	747
Pinyon Jay							
Black-billed Magpie	25		2			26	60
American Crow	16	117	44	61	32	5	908
Horned Lark	2,051	5	409	192	74	4,788	10,015
Black-capped Chickadee	28	80	35	274	23	26	681
Mountain Chickadee						4	5
Tufted Titmouse				34			51
Red-breasted Nuthatch	37	49	22	19	6	12	194
White-breasted Nuthatch	18	80	26	126	25	4	464
Pygmy Nuthatch						cw	41
Brown Creeper	5	34	1	10			69
Carolina Wren		10		22			41

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	Ames	Beaver Valley	Branched Oak-Seward	Calamus-Loup	Crawford	DeSoto-Boyer Chute	Grand Island	Harrison
Winter Wren			2	1				
Marsh Wren								
Golden-crowned Kinglet	6	4	9			cw	1	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet								
Eastern Bluebird	28	3	52	16		22	23	
Mountain Bluebird								
Townsend's Solitaire			3	1	5		1	5
Hermit Thrush			3					
American Robin	56	3	780	1,617	6	1	358	47
European Starling	3,793	83	3,275	1,073	73	855	1,535	10
Bohemian Waxwing					cw			325
Cedar Waxwing	107		29	60		27	54	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	3		6					
Spotted Towhee			cw					
American Tree Sparrow	85	69	680	211	70	530	497	1
Chipping Sparrow								
Field Sparrow								
Fox Sparrow	1		13				7	
Song Sparrow	9		3	1		4	5	1
Lincoln's Sparrow								
Swamp Sparrow			cw					
White-throated Sparrow	3		cw					
Harris's Sparrow	49	6	212	55		63	185	
White-crowned Sparrow			4				46	
Sparrow sp						26		

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	Lake McConaughy	Lincoln	Norfolk	Omaha	Ponca State Park	Scottsbluff	Total
Winter Wren				3			6
Marsh Wren	1					1	2
Golden-crowned Kinglet	2	22	4	2		1	51
Ruby-crowned Kinglet				2			2
Eastern Bluebird	42	31	2	33	50		302
Mountain Bluebird	cw						
Townsend's Solitaire	94				1	30	140
Hermit Thrush	1						4
American Robin	10,712	392	28	5	2	86	14,093
European Starling	2,635	2,675	7,456	1,273	229	1,522	26,487
Bohemian Waxwing	18						343
Cedar Waxwing	47	26		212	10	4	576
Yellow-rumped Warbler	2	4		cw			15
Spotted Towhee		1				2	3
American Tree Sparrow	396	577	154	305	187	81	3,843
Chipping Sparrow		cw					
Field Sparrow	3						3
Fox Sparrow		7		6			34
Song Sparrow	30	39	2	22	7	18	141
Lincoln's Sparrow		2		1			3
Swamp Sparrow				9			9
White-throated Sparrow		5		5			13
Harris's Sparrow	8	109	26	23	5		741
White-crowned Sparrow	27	2	6	1		136	222
Sparrow sp							26

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Dark-eyed Junco	941	120	1,570	134	68	2,316	724	191
Slate-colored			1,142	33	3			74
Oregon	2		28	5		2		2
White-winged								32
Pink-sided					2			2
unspecified subspecies	939	120	400	96	63	2,314	724	81
Lapland Longspur							3	
Snow Bunting	1							
Northern Cardinal	52	2	118	4		112	35	
Red-winged Blackbird	211	4	99	1		112	103	
Eastern Meadowlark								
Western Meadowlark		20			1		446	
meadowlark sp.	177		59	1		143		
Rusty Blackbird	17	2	2				22	
Brewer's Blackbird								
Common Grackle		2				5	1	
Great-tailed Grackle							135	
Brown-headed Cowbird		30					85	
blackbird sp.		1						
Purple Finch	12		82	124		8	13	cw
Cassin's Finch								
House Finch	14	41	95	9	15	5	13	6
Common Redpoll			2			cw		1
Red Crossbill								
Pine Siskin	4		31	45	20	1	2	5
American Goldfinch	31	19	287	161	71	121	132	106
House Sparrow	171	173	361	87	215	430	630	50
TOTAL SPECIES	53	38	69	56	29	54	64	30
TOTAL INDIVIDUALS	7,441	1,354	9,341	4,815	1,239	9,059	10,557	1,099



## 2007-2008 CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNTS

	Lake McConaughy	Lincoln	Norfolk	Omaha	Ponca State Park	Scottsbluff	Total
Dark-eyed Junco	1,494	1,097	893	1,010	473	458	11,489
Slate-colored	480	466				106	2,304
Oregon	228	21				120	408
White-winged	8					2	42
Pink-sided	60					21	85
unspecified subspecies	718	610	893	1,010	473	209	8,650
Lapland Longspur	6		2	2			13
Snow Bunting							1
Northern Cardinal	27	150	48	206	30	1	785
Red-winged Blackbird	4	43	2	74	1	4,224	4,878
Eastern Meadowlark		2					2
Western Meadowlark	36	35	40		2		580
meadowlark sp.	180	80		57		7	704
Rusty Blackbird	5		1	3			52
Brewer's Blackbird						1	1
Common Grackle	20	2	1	2			33
Great-tailed Grackle		65		2			202
Brown-headed Cowbird	1						116
blackbird sp.							1
Purple Finch	33	96	6	51	10	1	436
Cassin's Finch	2						2
House Finch	134	113	44	6	19	130	644
Common Redpoll							3
Red Crossbill		5				cw	5
Pine Siskin	665	44	49	60		89	1,015
American Goldfinch	662	284	38	177	142	111	2,342
House Sparrow	427	1,097	424	420	199	351	5,035
TOTAL SPECIES	93	69	57	71	43	66	130
TOTAL INDIVIDUALS	34,577	14,933	12,306	7,135	1,945	17,305	133,106