

Black Vulture (*Coragyps atratus*)

WINTER: NO RECORDS. See Remarks section.

SUMMER: Accidental. One on 17 July 2011 at Mercer's Bottom, Mason Co., WV (GR); one on 18 July 1984 near Ona, Cabell Co., WV (HS, LW); HY-U on 22 July 2004 at Gallipolis, Gallia Co., OH (WA, MG, HS) (Flew to roost, containing Turkey Vultures, on island in Ohio River, therefore, also Mason Co., WV record).

MIGRATION:

Spring: Casual Migrant since 2006. Ten on 04 March 2011 at Point Pleasant, Mason Co., WV (WA, MG); seven on 07 May 2011 at Point Pleasant, Mason Co., WV (JW et al.); one on 13 (GR) and 19 on 14 March 2011 at Point Pleasant, Mason Co., WV (WA); one on 22 March 1968 at McClintic WMA (NG). (Hall 1983, Smith 1996); two on 18 March 2006 north of Point Pleasant, Mason Co., WV (AT, RT); sixteen on 24 March 2012 at Gallipolis Ferry, Mason Co., WV (MG, DP); one on 03 April 2011 at Point Pleasant, Mason Co., WV (GR) and Cabwaylingo State Forest (DP); two on 08 April 2006 at Gallipolis Ferry, Mason Co., WV (WA, MG); 5 on 12 April 2009 at Gallipolis Ferry, Mason Co., WV (WA, GR; one (WA, MG, DP) and three (GR) on 21 April 2012 at Byrd Locks & Dam; two on 05 May 2012 at Crab Creek, Mason Co., WV (GR et al.) one on 06 May 2010 at Byrd Locks & Dam (BD, JLH, GR, JW).

Fall: Accidental. One on 21 October 2011 in Mason Co., WV (WA, MG, DP).

REMARKS: Hall (1983) summarizes the increase of the Black Vulture in eastern West Virginia after the 1930's. Occurrence, along the Ohio River, in south-central counties of Ohio is noted by Peterjohn (2001). Arline Thorn saw about 60 on 27 October 2002 in northern Mason County (about 10 miles north of McClintic WMA). One on 02 January 2003 near Cannonsburg, Boyd Co., KY (WA)