Greater Yellowlegs (Tringa melanoleuca)

WINTER: Accidental. One on 19 December 1985 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (MG).

SUMMER: Accidental in June: one on 12 June 1977 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS); one on 24 June 2006 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, MG). Casual Migrant from mid-July to late August. Nine July records: one on 13 July 2005 at Gavin Power Plant (WA, MG, HS); two on 17 July 2005 at Green Bottom WMA (DP); one on 19 July 2007 (WA) and 2009 (DP) at Byrd Locks & Dam; one on 19 July 2011 at Green Bottom WMA (MG); two on 23 July 2009 at Byrd Locks & Dam (MG); one on 28 July 2006 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA); two on 29 July 1987 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (WA); three on 29 July 2000 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, MG). See Remarks section for high counts.

MIGRATION:

Spring: Uncommon to Fairly Common Migrant from late March to mid-May. Early dates, one on 09 March 1995 at Ashton, Mason Co., WV (MG); one on 14 March 1953 (Edeburn et al. 1960); one on 24 March 2001 at Byrd Locks & Dam (MF); one on 25 March 2007 at Byrd Locks & Dam (MG, DP); four on 27 March 2004 at Byrd Locks & Dam and Gallipolis Ferry, Mason Co., WV (WA, JF, MG); one on 29 March 2008 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, MG, DP). Late dates, one on 29 May 2007 at Crab Creek, Mason Co., WV (WA); two on 28 May 1976 at McClintic WMA (HS) and five on 28 May 2008 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, MG); one on 27 May 2006 at Green Bottom WMA (DP); one on 23 May 1976 at Gavin Power Plant (HS) and two on 23 May 2006 at Byrd Locks & Dam (MG); two on 22 May 2005 at Byrd Locks & Dam (MG); 19 May 1952 (Edeburn et al. 1960); two on 18 May 1969 at McClintic WMA (HS). See Remarks section for high counts.

Fall: Casual Migrant from early September to mid-November (See Summer section). Late dates, 15 November 1953 (Edeburn et al. 1960); eight on 12 November 2003 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, MG); one on 11 November 1985 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (MG). See Remarks section for high counts.

REMARKS:

Peterjohn (2001) noted Greater Yellowlegs arrive earlier and depart later versus Lesser Yellowlegs during migration in Ohio. Our records show the same trend.

Summer High Counts: 6 on 21 August 2004 at Green Bottom WMA (MG); 4 on 12 August 2004 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, MG); 3 on 29 July 2000 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, MG) and 14 August 2004 at Green Bottom WMA (MG, DP).

Spring High Counts: 40 on 27 April 1969 at McClintic WMA and Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS); 18 (15 at Byrd Locks & Dam, 3 at Green Bottom WMA) on 30 April 2005 (WA, PD, MG, DP, PT); 13 on 29 April 2005 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, MG); 11 on 25 April 2011 at Gallipolis Ferry, Mason Co., WV (MG, MO); 10 (8 at Byrd Locks & Dam, 2 at Gallipolis Ferry, Mason Co., WV) on 22 April 2006 (MG, DP), 2009 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, MG, DP) and 2011 at Apple Grove, Mason Co., WV (WA, MG).

Fall High Counts: 8 on 12 November 2003 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, MG); 7 on 31 October 1976 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS). 6 on 06 November 2003 (JB) and 11 September 2007 (WA) at Byrd Locks & Dam: 4 on 01 November 1970 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS) and 09 September 2007 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA).