

# Count Summary Report

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<b>Count Name:</b> Pendleton County	<b>Count Code:</b> WVPC	<b>Count Date:</b> 12/18/2020
<b>Organizations &amp; Sponsors:</b>	<b># of Party Hours:</b> 51.00	<b>Species reported on count date:</b> 78

## Compiler(s)

First Name	Last Name	Email	Is Primary Compiler
Frederick	Atwood	fredatwood@yahoo.com	Yes

## Start & End Times

Start time	End time
06:00 AM	07:15 AM
07:15 AM	05:30 PM
05:30 PM	06:00 PM

## Effort

Observers	
In Field	Total Number: 13
	Minimum Number of Parties (daylight): 1
	Maximum Number of Parties (daylight): 8
At Feeders	Total Number: 12

Party Hours and Distance (excludes viewing at feeders and nocturnal birding)			
By	Hours	Distance	Units
Foot	23.00	11.50	Miles
Car	28.00	278.00	Miles
Air			
All-Terrain Vehicle			
Bicycle			
Dog Sled			
Golfcart			
Horseback			
Motorized Boat			
Non-Motorized Boat			
Skis/Xc-Skis			
Snowmachine			
Snowshoe			
Wheelchair			

<b>Other Time and Distance</b>
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	Hours	Distance	Units
At Feeders	20.00		
Nocturnal Birding	0.00	0.00	
Total Party	51.00	289.50	Miles

## Weather

Temperature	Minimum: 26.0 Fahrenheit	Maximum: 36.0 Fahrenheit	
Wind Direction	Calm		
Wind Velocity	Minimum: 0.00 Miles/hour	Maximum: 7.00 Miles/hour	
Snow Depth	Minimum: 5.00 Inches	Maximum: 7.00 Inches	
Still Water	Partly Frozen		
Moving Water	Open		
AM and PM Conditions			
Cloud Cover	AM: Cloudy	PM: Partly Clear	
AM Rain	None		
AM Snow	None		
PM Rain	None		
PM Snow	None		

## Checklist

Species	Number or cw	Flags	Max Number	# Of Counts	Editor Comm.
Canada Goose	159		517/117	25	
American Black Duck	15		80/115	17	
Mallard	54		268/115	26	
dabbling duck sp.	60		280/114	6	
Bufflehead	1		4/116	9	
Hooded Merganser	32	HC,	32/121	10	
Common Merganser	14		29/120	9	
Pied-billed Grebe	1		9/116	8	
Great Blue Heron (Blue form)	4		13/89	34	
Black Vulture	137		159/120	27	
Turkey Vulture	134		171/117	17	
Golden Eagle	3		6/113	30	eo 3im
Northern Harrier	3	HC,	3/121	5	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	2		3/98	25	
Cooper's Hawk	3		7/111	22	

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Bald Eagle	29		42/120	21	11ad 18im
Red-shouldered Hawk	10	HC,	10/121	11	
Red-tailed Hawk	34		40/86	41	
Killdeer	17		18/113	26	
Wilson's Snipe	4	HC,	4/121	4	aq eo
Rock Pigeon (Feral Pigeon)	278		287/87	37	
Mourning Dove	457	HC,	457/121	42	
Eastern Screech-Owl	1		10/120	29	
Belted Kingfisher	7		14/115	42	
Red-headed Woodpecker	10		23/100	24	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	73	HC,	73/121	42	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	20		27/120	33	
Downy Woodpecker	73		91/115	43	
Hairy Woodpecker	21		26/120	42	
Northern Flicker (Yellow-shafted)	25		42/96	37	
Pileated Woodpecker	19		30/96	43	
American Kestrel	24	HC,	24/121	42	
Eastern Phoebe	4		7/118	30	
Blue Jay	317	HC,	317/121	43	
American Crow	361		1718/95	43	
Fish Crow	1	US,	1/121	3	nd
crow sp.	2		2/121	1	
Common Raven	66		69/86	40	
Horned Lark	124		493/91	9	
Black-capped Chickadee	198	HC,	198/121	43	
Tufted Titmouse	117		272/117	43	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	72	HC,	72/121	20	
White-breasted Nuthatch	97		143/117	43	
Brown Creeper	7		12/117	35	
Winter Wren	8		13/117	11	
Carolina Wren	123	HC,	123/121	41	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	53		95/113	37	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	5		6/120	17	
Eastern Bluebird	58		146/96	38	
Hermit Thrush	3		9/118	15	
American Robin	4		200/112	31	
Northern Mockingbird	30		39/112	43	
European Starling	610		3350/118	43	
American Pipit	22		67/111	4	

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Cedar Waxwing	5		448/114	28	
Yellow-rumped Warbler (Myrtle)	10		107/118	21	
American Tree Sparrow	1		60/96	16	
Chipping Sparrow	3		4/118	9	
Field Sparrow	44		76/113	33	
Fox Sparrow	70	HC,	70/121	16	rc rn wr
Dark-eyed Junco (Slate-colored)	4050	HC,	4050/121	43	es rc rn rr wr
White-crowned Sparrow	35		42/91	31	
White-throated Sparrow	547	HC,	547/121	37	rn
Savannah Sparrow	1		1/121	5	eo
Song Sparrow	227	HC,	227/121	42	
Swamp Sparrow	2		4/120	13	
Eastern Towhee	9		10/118	14	
Northern Cardinal	278	HC,	278/121	43	
Red-winged Blackbird	1		87/91	23	
Eastern Meadowlark	42	HC,	42/121	25	
Rusty Blackbird	1		2/111	3	eo
Common Grackle	21		136/86	24	
Brown-headed Cowbird	1		35/90	26	
blackbird sp.	1		1/121	1	
House Finch	79		611/95	36	
Purple Finch	18		100/83	29	
Red Crossbill	1		1/121	2	aq eo iv
Pine Siskin	27		285/88	21	
American Goldfinch	118		298/118	41	
Evening Grosbeak	21		325/84	20	
House Sparrow	127		352/80	43	
Total Individuals	9746				
Total Species Reported	78				

cw = Reported count week  
 US = Flagged as an unusual species  
 HC = Flagged as an unusually high count  
 LC = Flagged as an unusually low count

### Species Requiring Rare Bird Reports to be Submitted to Regional Editor

Species

Fish Crow [Corvus ossifragus]

## Special Aspects

BAEA (29) Adult - 11 Sub-Adult - 18

GOEA (3) Sub-Adult - 3

Editor's note: WVPC is noted for high numbers of wintering eagle numbers, along with other eastern West Virginia CBC circles.

Two days after the storm dumped about 8" of snow on Pendleton Co we had a remarkable day counting birds. Because the snow covered the ground in the woods and fields, the road edges were literally covered with flocks of juncos and sparrows, far surpassing previous count records. Pipits, horned larks, killdeer, snipe, and meadowlarks, all of which are scarce most years, were found in good numbers this year, probably for the same reason. Some of the pine woods were bursting with red-breasted nuthatches, again smashing the previous highs in this irruption year. One pine tree was observed with 10 red-breasted nuthatches in it. We also had our first evening grosbeaks since 1998. Waterfowl numbers were mostly a little below average, except for hooded mergansers which set a new high. Some of the ponds were frozen and others were open, as were the rivers. Fruit-eaters such as robins, cedar waxwings, and yellow-rumped warblers were relatively low in numbers this year. Despite the big numbers of siskins and purple finches noted in the fall, we had only average numbers of these species. We only did one hour of nocturnal birding this year, so only one owl was reported. Snow covered roads reduced our access in two sectors.

Editor's notes:

\*Additional information was collected from the the WVPC compiler and participants about the record numbers of sparrows tallied on the Pendleton count. From the information gathered the editor feels fairly confident in the numbers reported.

\*The 4,075 DEJU reported is a state record. Looking at WV CBC DEJU numbers historically, the previous WV CBC circle high count of 2,300 was recorded during the 82nd season from WVHC (Hampshire County). WVIN (Inwood) reported 1,921 DEJU on the 99th. Other than those counts, the average high count historically has been 445 birds (18 counts). The above CBC's that reported these high numbers of DEJU are all located in eastern WV.

\*In WV CBC history, there's only been one count that exceeded the 70 FOSP tallied this season on the WVPC count, that was WVCT (Charles Town), which reported 96 FOSP during the 80th season. The 26 FOSP recorded during the 111th season on the WVPA (Pipestem Area) count, the only other WV contender.