

Common Goldeneye (*Bucephala clangula*)

WINTER: Casual Visitant. Occasional Uncommon Resident. See Remarks section for CBC data, Mid-Winter Aerial Survey data and high counts.

SUMMER: NO RECORDS.

MIGRATION:

Spring: Fairly Common to Common Migrant from mid-February to late March. Late dates, 19 April 1952 (Edeburn et al. 1960); one on 05 April 1970 at McClintic WMA (HS); three ((two on the Ohio River, Cabell Co, WV and one at McClintic WMA) on 30 March 1969 (WA, HS); three (two at McClintic WMA and one at Kyger Creek Power Plant) on 30 March 1970 (HS). See Remarks section for high counts.

Fall: Casual Migrant in November. Uncommon Migrant from early December to late December. Early dates, 01 November 1951 (Edeburn et al. 1960); 04 November 1965 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (WA); one on 09 November 1991 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (MG). See Remarks section for high counts.

MIGRATION:

Winter High Counts: 56 on 17 February 2007 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, DP); 40 on 08 January 1986 (DNR personnel) along the Ohio River between Huntington and Lakin, Mason Co, WV (Smith 1996); 38 on 28 December 1969 and 27 February 1972 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS); 35 on 18 December 1992 in Mason Co., WV (WA, MG)

Spring High Counts: 75 on 01 March 1970 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (WA, HS); 47 (30 at Kyger Creek Power Plant and 17 at McClintic WMA) on 02 March 1969 (WA, HS); 46 on 06 March 1971 at Kyger Creek Power Plant and McClintic WMA (HS); 23 (20 at Kyger Creek Power Plant and 3 at McClintic WMA) on 27 March 1971 (HS).

Fall High Counts: 6 on 21 November 1971 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS); 5 on 16 November 1969 at Kyger Creek Power Plant (HS).

Banding Data: 1 (<1% of total Anatidae) was banded at McClintic WMA from 1953 to 1964. There was no recovery (Donnelly 1967).

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT DATA

Huntington, WV (1940 to 2001): Recorded on 16% of Counts. Total Birds: 70. Range: 1 to 35.

Mason County, WV (1953 to 1976): Recorded on 78% of Counts. Total Birds: 177. Range: 1 to 38.

Ona, WV (1962 to 2001): Recorded on 30% of Counts. Total Birds: 38. Range: 1 to 12.

Huntington, WV (1940 to 2001): Total Counts: 61. Birds/Party Hr.: <1.0. Party Hr./Bird: 43.1

Mason County, WV (1953 to 1976): Total Counts: 18. Birds/Party Hr.: < 1.0. Party Hr./Bird: 2.0.

Ona, WV (1962 to 2001): Total Counts: 40. Birds/Party Hr.: <1.0. Party Hr./Bird: 47.8.

MID-WINTER AERIAL SURVEY DATA (WVDNR)

OHIO RIVER, POINT PLEASANT TO HUNTINGTON, WV

Recorded (Goldeneye spp.) on 4 surveys from 1989 to 2005: 13 January 1989: 1. 03 January 1990: 2. 05 January 2004: 4.

03 January 2005: 1.