

Rusty Blackbird (*Euphagus carolinus*)

WINTER: Rare to Uncommon Resident. Locally, Fairly Common to Very Common in some years. See Remarks section for CBC data.

SUMMER: Accidental. One on 01 July 1954 in the company of other "blackbirds" (HKL) (Edeburn et al. 1960).

MIGRATION:

Spring: Uncommon to Common Migrant from mid-March to early May. Late dates, 25 May 1969 (HS); 23 May 1954 (Edeburn et al. 1960); 11 May (Hall 1983).

Fall: Fairly Common Migrant from late October to late November. Early dates, 03 October 2010 (DP); 15 October 2010 (MG); 25 October 2008 (WA, MG, DP); 26 October 1975 (HS); 02 November 2008 (WA, MG, DP); 09 November 2008 (GR); 11 November 1968 (HS, RS); 16 November 2011 (WA, MG); 20 November 1966 (RS).

REMARKS:

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT DATA

Huntington, WV (1940 to 2001): Recorded on 26% of Counts. Total Birds: 9,088. Range: 1 to 8,000.

Mason County, WV (1953 to 1976): Recorded on 67% of Counts. Total Birds: 1,236. Range: 1 to 500.

Ona, WV (1962 to 2001): Recorded on 63% of Counts. Total Birds: 2,170. Range: 1 to 803.

Huntington, WV (1940 to 2001): Number of Counts: 61. Birds/Party Hr.: 3.0. Party Hr./Bird: 0.3.

Mason County, WV (1953 to 1976): Number of Counts: 18. Birds/Party Hr.: 3.5. Party Hr./Bird: 0.3.

Ona, WV (1962 to 2001): Number of Counts: 40. Birds/Party Hr.: 1.2. Party Hr./Bird: 0.8.