

Count Summary Report

Printout Date: 2/15/2025

Count Name: Moorefield	Count Code: WVMF	Count Date: 12/19/2024
Organizations & Sponsors: West Virginia Division of Natural Resources	# of Party Hours: 36.50	Species reported on count date: 72

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Start & End Times

Start time	End time
07:00 AM	05:45 PM

Effort

Observers	
In Field	Total Number: 11
	Minimum Number of Parties (daylight): 1
	Maximum Number of Parties (daylight): 6
At Feeders	Total Number: 1

Party Hours and Distance (excludes viewing at feeders and nocturnal birding)			
By	Hours	Distance	Units
Foot	18.75	15.50	Miles
Car	17.75	115.75	Miles
Air			
All-Terrain Vehicle			
Bicycle			
Dog Sled			
Golfcart			
Horseback			
Motorized Boat			
Non-Motorized Boat			
Skis/Xc-Skis			
Snowmachine			
Snowshoe			
Wheelchair			

Other Time and Distance			
	Hours	Distance	Units

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At Feeders	8.50		
Nocturnal Birding	1.00	0.25	Miles
Total Party	36.50	131.25	Miles

Weather

Weather Summary			
Temperature	Minimum: 31.0 Fahrenheit	Maximum: 41.0 Fahrenheit	
Wind Direction	Northwest		
Wind Velocity	Minimum: 0.00 Miles/hour	Maximum: 5.00 Miles/hour	
Snow Depth	Minimum: 0.00 Inches	Maximum: 0.00 Inches	
Still Water	Open		
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	24		161/108	19	
Gadwall	3		10/124	9	
American Black Duck	5		24/121	11	
Mallard	41		227/119	19	
Mallard (Domestic type)	2		2/125	1	
Northern Pintail	6		17/118	5	
Green-winged Teal	19	HC,	19/125	6	
Common Merganser	8		28/120	11	
Great Blue Heron	5		10/120	5	
Black Vulture	60		114/124	18	
Turkey Vulture	151		303/124	19	
Northern Harrier	2		17/121	18	
Cooper's Hawk	6	HC,	6/125	15	
Bald Eagle	22		66/118	19	6ad 11im 5nd
Red-shouldered Hawk	7	HC,	7/125	11	
Red-tailed Hawk	25		42/121	19	
Virginia Rail	3	HC,	3/125	4	aq eo iv

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Killdeer	33	HC,	33/125	10	
Wilson's Snipe	1		3/121	7	
Rock Pigeon (Feral Pigeon)	266		700/123	19	
Mourning Dove	396		658/122	19	
Eastern Screech-Owl	2		15/120	11	
Barred Owl	1		2/113	8	
Belted Kingfisher	5		7/124	19	
Red-headed Woodpecker	2		7/124	17	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	27		64/120	19	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	11		15/121	14	
Downy Woodpecker	54		65/121	19	
Hairy Woodpecker	9		20/108	19	
Northern Flicker (Yellow-shafted)	37		38/120	19	
Pileated Woodpecker	18		31/122	19	
American Kestrel	29	HC,	29/125	18	
Merlin	1		1/125	5	
Eastern Phoebe	10	HC,	10/125	11	
Blue Jay	169		243/120	19	
American Crow	153		524/108	19	
Common Raven	26		45/124	19	
Black-capped Chickadee	55		135/121	19	
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Tufted Titmouse	127	HC,	127/125	19	
White-breasted Nuthatch	63		115/121	19	
Brown Creeper	7		15/121	19	
Winter Wren	9		15/122	11	
Carolina Wren	100		157/120	19	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	29		64/121	17	
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	6		14/121	10	
Eastern Bluebird	155	HC,	155/125	19	
Hermit Thrush	14		24/122	11	
American Robin	421		6600/118	18	
Northern Mockingbird	47		48/120	19	
European Starling	7500	HC,	7500/125	19	es
American Pipit	1	LC	444/124	5	
Cedar Waxwing	366	HC,	366/125	16	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	35		142/124	17	
American Tree Sparrow	5		6/112	16	
Field Sparrow	56		79/124	16	

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Fox Sparrow	5		12/124	17	
Dark-eyed Junco (Slate-colored)	376		455/123	19	
White-crowned Sparrow	78		207/121	19	
White-throated Sparrow	313		370/123	19	
Savannah Sparrow	9		21/123	9	
Song Sparrow	232		398/120	19	
Swamp Sparrow	11		20/120	9	
Eastern Towhee	1		8/123	10	
Northern Cardinal	170		279/120	19	
Red-winged Blackbird	500	HC,	500/125	15	es
Eastern Meadowlark	7		46/124	12	
Rusty Blackbird	73	HC,	73/125	5	
Common Grackle	17		21/108	7	
Brown-headed Cowbird	164		320/121	14	
House Finch	35		106/120	19	
Purple Finch	21		31/108	16	
American Goldfinch	75		309/109	19	
House Sparrow	96		167/121	19	
Total Individuals	12829				
Total Species Reported	72				

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

Special Aspects

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Thanks to everyone who participated in this year's Christmas Bird Count!

Bumper crops and mild temperatures combined and likely contributed to high-counts for several species. Plentiful cedar berries attracted record numbers of cedar waxwings and eastern bluebirds. Other soft mast including boxelder and maple seeds and some berries were still present as well.

Open water allowed good numbers of waterfowl for this count, as well as a record number of Killdeer found together in a wet field off of Webb Lane.

Several blackbird flocks were found foraging throughout the county, many roosting in the the wetlands near I-48. Only the maximum individual counts for these species were taken (not aggregate), so this likely underestimates the still record numbers of RWBL, RUBL, and EUST found.

Kestrels, Red-shouldered Hawks, and Eastern Phoebe also showed out in count record tallies.

Absent from this year's list, Wild Turkey, Horned Lark, and Barn Owl all failed to show their wings, though none of these are unprecedented misses on the count. A single Barn Owl was located a few days after the count (but unfortunately not within count week) and in a different barn/farm than usual. Additionally, white-crowned sparrows showed a marked drop from the elevated numbers we've seen the last few years.

BAEA (22) Adult (6) - Subadult (11) - no details on age (5)