

# Bird Sightings

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## March-April 2016

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March both came in and left like a lamb. The temperature averaged 42° degrees in Boston, four degrees above normal. There were five days with temperatures in the sixties and two days in the seventies. The temperature hit 77° on March 9, 34° above the normal for that date and ended at 71°. The low was 21° on March 3. Snow was recorded on two days: 0.5 inch on March 4, and 3.6 inches fell on March 21 and quickly melted with readings in the sixties in less than 36 hours. Rainfall was just 3.16 inches, 1.16 below the average.

April started out mild, but on April 3 the temperature dropped 30° to a month low of 22° and came with 6.6 inches of snow. This caused considerable damage to many trees that had budded early with the warmth at the end of March. Rainfall totaled 2.91 inches, an inch below average for April. Strong southwest winds on April 22–23, when temperatures soared over 70°, brought us the first big wave of migrants.

*R. Stymeist*

### Waterfowl through Alcids

The **Yellow-billed Loon** first discovered at Race Point in Provincetown on February 27 lingered for another month through April 2, allowing numerous birders to enjoy this exciting rarity. It was accompanied by up to two **Pacific Loons**, allowing for an extraordinary four-loon day for many. On February 7 a **Western Grebe** was discovered off Winthrop Beach, but despite many searches it was not reported again in February. Amazingly, on March 11 it was rediscovered and remained through the middle of April.

A Manx Shearwater was photographed off Provincetown on March 26, normally an unusual date for this species. It was evidently one of a group of up to thirty that had been reported there at the beginning of January. The Revere Beach Manx Shearwaters arrived shortly thereafter on April 2 and increased to as many as 14 by the end of the month.

Cattle Egrets have never been numerous in Massachusetts but have become even rarer since the 1990s. Since most have been reported from coastal Essex County, sightings in Andover and at Daniel Webster Wildlife Sanctuary in Marshfield were unusual.

**White-faced Ibis** is now annual in Essex County, and the first report was received on April 24. Three individuals were reported, the highest number yet, giving rise to the hope that full-species breeding can be confirmed. Although this species has been recorded at the heron-breeding colony at Kettle Island in 2012, the possibility of hybridization with a Glossy Ibis cannot not be eliminated.

**Sandhill Cranes** continue to be well reported including two in Worthington, where they are now breeding, and two at Burrage Pond, where they have been consistently reported since 2015 and may be now breeding.

A **Mew Gull** was discovered at Race Point in Provincetown on March 13 and was consistently reported through March 27. Photographs suggested that there might have been two individuals involved. **Caspian Terns** are regular spring migrants throughout Massachusetts but are typically seen for only one day, so one that lingered for several days at Burrage Pond was unusual.

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<b>Greater White-fronted Goose</b>				3/6	Falmouth	1 m	G. d'Entremont
thr	Ipswich	1	v.o.	3/13	Lee	2	C. Jones
3/1	Falmouth	2	v.o.	4/24	Otis	1	T. Swochak
3/27	Rutland	1	C. Bailey	<b>Ring-necked Duck</b>			
3/28-31	Mansfield	1	M. Fox + v.o.	3/11	Pittsfield (Onota)	101	G. Hurley
4/18-20	P.I.	1	S. Williams + v.o.	3/11, 4/7	New Salem	155, 180	B. Lafley
<b>Snow Goose</b>				3/13, 4/7	Waltham	280, 100	J. Forbes
3/4	Saugus	2	S. Zende#	3/22	Pittsfield	108	J. Pierce
3/13-19	Eastham (F.H.)	2	D. Taylor#	3/26	Petersham	128	B. Zajda
3/18	P.I.	4	T. Mara#	4/7	Quabog IBA	98	M. Lynch#
3/23	Longmeadow	75	M. Moore	4/29	Quabbin (G33)	12	G. Watkevich
3/26	Worthington	2	S. Lewis	<b>Greater Scaup</b>			
<b>Brant</b>				3/6	Falmouth	750	G. d'Entremont
3/18	P.I.	80	T. Wetmore	3/11	Pittsfield (Onota)	4	G. Hurley
3/20	Winthrop	200	P. + F. Vale	3/20, 4/24	Waltham	15, 3	J. Forbes
4/3	Plymouth	300	G. d'Entremont	4/25	S. Quabbin	1	L. Therrien
4/9	Duxbury B.	300	R. Bowes	<b>Lesser Scaup</b>			
4/13	Quincy	270	P. Peterson	3/11	Stockbridge	2	G. Ward
<b>Cackling Goose</b>				3/13, 4/14	Waltham	15, 2	J. Forbes
3/2	Rochester	1	J. Hoye#	3/26	Quabbin (G41)	5	B. Zajda
3/5	Longmeadow	1	S. Motyl	3/30	W. Newbury	7	MAS (D. Moon)
3/10	Hadley	1	L. Therrien	4/9	Turners Falls	2	E. Huston
<b>Wood Duck</b>				4/18	S. Quabbin	3	L. Therrien
3/17	Winchester	16	R. LaFontaine	<b>King Eider</b>			
3/20	Nashua R. IBA	41	M. Lynch#	3/5	Rockport (A.P.)	2	BBC (Hepburn)
3/20	Worc. (BMB)	11	J. Liller	3/5	Gloucester (E.P.)	1 f	MAS (Wheelock)
4/7	GMNWR	32	K. Dia#	3/11	Weymouth	1	S. Avery
4/13	IRWS	18	J. Nelson	<b>Common Eider</b>			
4/21	Lynnfield	18	J. Berry#	3/12	Gloucester H.	260	J. Berry#
<b>Gadwall</b>				3/13	P'town	660	M. Lynch#
3/3	Sudbury	2	J. Forbes	3/19	Westport	58	M. Lynch#
3/5	Gloucester	5	BBC (S. Hepburn)	<b>Harlequin Duck</b>			
3/22	Peabody	19	P. Peterson	3/2	Cape Ann	76	BBC (B. Volkle)
4/17	P.I.	20	J. Berry#	4/8	Duxbury B.	4	R. Bowes
<b>Eurasian Wigeon</b>				<b>Surf Scoter</b>			
3/6	Falmouth	1 m	G. d'Entremont	3/12	Gloucester H.	34	J. Berry#
<b>American Wigeon</b>				3/13	P'town	45	M. Lynch#
3/9	Hadley	3	L. Therrien	<b>White-winged Scoter</b>			
3/17	Pittsfield	5	J. Pierce	3/13	P'town	650	M. Lynch#
3/19	Acoaxet	19	M. Lynch#	3/19	Westport	18	M. Lynch#
3/20	Waltham	6	J. Forbes	<b>Black Scoter</b>			
4/1	P.I.	8	J. Keeley	3/2	Cape Ann	71	BBC (B. Volkle)
<b>Blue-winged Teal</b>				3/25	Worcester	2	E. Kittredge#
3/22	Pittsfield	2	J. Pierce	4/28	P.I.	25	T. Wetmore
4/4	Williamstown	2	C. Jones	<b>Long-tailed Duck</b>			
4/6	Ludlow	2	L. Richardson	3/17	Pittsfield	1	J. Pierce
4/10	W. Harwich	12	P. Trull	3/30	N Adams	1	M. Morales
4/10	W. Newbury	2	E. Labato	4/22	Waltham	1	J. Forbes
4/14	Winthrop	2	P. Peterson	4/23	P.I.	500	D. Swain#
4/24	DWWS	2	G. d'Entremont	4/30	S. Quabbin	3	A. Griffiths
<b>Northern Shoveler</b>				<b>Bufflehead</b>			
3/thr	Arlington Res.	7	v.o.	3/19	Westport	93	M. Lynch#
3/11	Pittsfield (Pont.)	2	G. Hurley	3/26	Quabbin (G35)	34	B. Zajda
3/12	Waltham	6	J. Forbes	4/10	Wakefield	11	P. + F. Vale
3/27	Westwood	3	W. Webb	4/27	W. Newbury	15	MAS (D. Moon)
4/28	P.I.	5	T. Wetmore	<b>Common Goldeneye</b>			
<b>Northern Pintail</b>				3/5	Longmeadow	19	B. Zajda#
3/5	Longmeadow	1	B. Zajda#	3/13	N Truro	58	M. Lynch#
4/14	GMNWR	4	K. Dia#	4/9	P.I.	13	N. Landry
4/26	P.I.	3	R. Ross	<b>Barrow's Goldeneye</b>			
<b>Green-winged Teal</b>				thr	Turners Falls	2	v.o.
3/20	Nashua R. IBA	43	M. Lynch#	3/3	Everett	1	J. Layman
3/23	Topsfield	155	P. + F. Vale	3/5	Newbypt	1 f	M. Goetschkes
3/26	W. Harwich	25	B. Nikula	3/6	Fairhaven	1	C. Longworth
3/31	P.I.	231	D. Chickering	3/6	Boston (Deer I.)	1	R. Doherty
4/4	Bolton Flats	150	J. Hoye#	3/26	Williamstown	1	C. Jones
4/20	E. Boston (B.I.)	22	P. Peterson	<b>Hooded Merganser</b>			
<b>Eurasian Green-winged Teal</b>				3/3	GMNWR	30	K. Dia#
3/6-11	Seekonk	1	J. Sweeney + v.o.	3/5	Quabog IBA	11	M. Lynch#
3/11-4/26	P.I.	1	T. Murray + v.o.	3/26	Quabbin (G41)	16	B. Zajda
3/?-4/15	Topsfield	1 m	N. Dubrow + v.o.	4/11	Ware R. IBA	18	M. Lynch#
<b>Redhead</b>				<b>Common Merganser</b>			
3/1-9	Gloucester (E.P.)	2	v.o.	3/1	Stoneham	80	D. + I. Jewell

<b>Common Merganser (continued)</b>				<b>Northern Gannet</b>			
3/10	Westboro	1000	G. Gove#	3/13	P'town	35	M. Lynch#
3/12	Southboro	147	M. Lynch#	3/26	N. Truro	220	B. Nikula
3/26	Quabbin (G35)	116	B. Zajda	4/24	Stellwagen	36	K. Mueller
3/29	W. Newbury	85	P. + F. Vale	4/25	P.I.	8	T. Wetmore
<b>Red-breasted Merganser</b>				<b>Double-crested Cormorant</b>			
3/13	P'town	880	M. Lynch#	4/3	Milton	60	G. d'Entremont#
3/19	Westport	72	M. Lynch#	4/21	P.I.	120	P. + F. Vale#
4/8	Sheffield	2	K. Schopp	4/29	P'town (R.P.)	1325	S. Arena
4/12	Lee	2	J. Pierce	<b>Great Cormorant</b>			
4/21	S. Quabbin	2	L. Therrien	3/5	Medford	1	G. Nassiopoulos
4/23	P.I.	40	T. Wetmore	3/7	P.I.	4	T. Wetmore
<b>Ruddy Duck</b>				<b>American Bittern</b>			
3/18, 4/21	Chestnut Hill	63, 43	P. Peterson	thr Reports of indiv. from 9 locations			
3/19	Pembroke	12	SSBC (W. Petersen)	<b>Least Bittern</b>			
3/27	Waltham	21	J. Forbes	4/29	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore
3/30	W. Newbury	12	MAS (D. Moon)	<b>Great Blue Heron</b>			
4/10	Waltham	43	J. Forbes	3/17	Concord	12 n	A. Morgan
<b>Ring-necked Pheasant</b>				3/25	Quabog IBA	27	M. Lynch#
3/9	Tolland	1	M. Lynch#	4/14	Lynnfield	11 n	P. + F. Vale
3/28	Norfolk	1	D. Allard	<b>Great Egret</b>			
4/10	Petersham	2	S. Miller#	3/17	Hingham (WE)	2	K. Mueller
4/23	Otter River SP	1	G. d'Entremont	4/8	Essex	16	J. Nelson
<b>Ruffed Grouse</b>				4/9	S. Dart. (A.Pd)	6	B. Loughlin
4/10	Quabbin (G40)	6	S. Miller#	4/13	Quincy	5	P. Peterson
4/17	Quabbin (G37)	2	S. Miller#	4/17	Saugus	5	S. Zende#
4/17	Sandisfield	5	M. Lynch#	<b>Snowy Egret</b>			
4/17	Marstons Mills	3	P. Crosson	3/25	Longmeadow	1	P. Sumislaski
4/18	Ware R. IBA	3	M. Lynch#	3/26	Duxbury	1	R. Bowes
4/30	Mashpee	3	M. Keleher	3/31	Nantucket	6	S. Kardell
<b>Red-throated Loon</b>				4/10	Ipswich	43	J. Berry
3/19	Westport	16	M. Lynch#	4/13	Quincy	6	P. Peterson
3/27	P'town	400	B. Nikula	4/28	E. Boston (B.I.)	4	S. Riley
4/6	P.I.	10	MAS (D. Moon)	<b>Little Blue Heron</b>			
4/6	Duxbury B.	40	R. Bowes	4/3	Gloucester	2	C. Haines
<b>Pacific Loon</b>				<b>Tricolored Heron</b>			
thr	P'town	1-2	v.o.	3/29	Mashpee	1	M. Malin
<b>Common Loon</b>				4/15	Nantucket	2	L. Buck
3/4	Quabbin Pk	4	L. Therrien	4/23	Duxbury B.	1	R. Bowes
3/13	P'town	22	M. Lynch#	<b>Cattle Egret</b>			
4/24	Stellwagen	13	K. Mueller	4/22	DWWS	1	MAS (D. Ludlow)
4/25	P.I.	65	T. Wetmore	4/26	Andover	1	M. McCarthy
4/26	Pittsfield (Onota)	25	R. Wendell	<b>Green Heron</b>			
4/26	Wachusett Res.	7	M. Lynch#	4/22	Manomet	1	I. Davies
<b>Yellow-billed Loon</b>				4/23	Hopkinton	1	R. Emerson
3/1-4/2	P'town (R.P.)	1	v.o.	4/24	GMNWR	1	C. Tibrewal#
<b>Pied-billed Grebe</b>				4/24	Barnstable	1	R. Hamman
3/22	Cheshire	2	J. Pierce	<b>Black-crowned Night-Heron</b>			
3/26	Quabbin (G41)	2	B. Zajda	3/30	Milton	1	P. Peterson
4/14	GMNWR	3	K. Dia#	4/21	Cambridge	1	D. Oliver#
4/17	P.I.	2	J. Berry#	4/29	Medford	6	R. LaFontaine
<b>Horned Grebe</b>				4/29	Belchertown	2	B. Zajda
3/11	Stockbridge	4	G. Ward	<b>Glossy Ibis</b>			
3/13	P'town	2	M. Lynch#	3/26	Cumb. Farms	1	P. Jacobson
3/19	Westport	19	M. Lynch#	4/21	Wayland	1	B. Harris
4/11, 25	Pittsfield (Pont.)	2, 3	G. Hurley	4/23	P'town	2	B. Nikula
4/23	P.I.	3	S. Miller	4/24	Ipswich	333	L. Ireland
<b>Red-necked Grebe</b>				4/26	E. Boston (B.I.)	3	S. Riley
3/20	Winthrop	78	G. d'Entremont#	4/30	GMNWR	1	D. Swain
4/18	P.I.	12	S. Williams	<b>White-faced Ibis</b>			
4/25	Pittsfield (Pont.)	3	J. Pierce	4/24	Ipswich	3	S. Grinley#
<b>Western Grebe</b>				<b>Black Vulture</b>			
3/11-4/16	Winthrop B.	1	S. Zende# + v.o.	3/11	Chilmark	2	K. Magnuson
<b>Northern Fulmar</b>				3/15	Sheffield	34	J. Pierce
4/21	Stellwagen	1	P. Flood#	4/5	P.I.	2	Hawkcount (TM)
<b>Sooty Shearwater</b>				4/22	W. Roxbury	5	M. McCarthy
4/21	Stellwagen	52	P. Flood#	4/24	Athol	2	D. Small
<b>Manx Shearwater</b>				4/26	Milton	2	J. Farwell
3/23	P'town (R.P.)	1	P. Fernandes#	<b>Turkey Vulture</b>			
4/2, 28	Revere B.	5, 14	v.o.	3/15	Woburn	10	E. Smith
4/30	P'town	1	B. Nikula	3/19	Westport	32	M. Lynch#

Turkey Vulture (continued)				3/26	Hudson	2	P. + F. Vale
4/3	Lynn	10	T. McElligott	3/26-4/30	Worthington	2	E. Lewis
4/9	P.I.	28	Hawkcount (CJ)				
4/23	Huntington	13	M. Lynch#	3/6	Falmouth	1	G. d'Entremont
Osprey					American Golden-Plover		
3/20	Duxbury	2	R. Bowes	4/25	Edgartown	1 ph	K. Magnuson
4/8	P.I.	9	Hawkcount (TM)		Semipalmated Plover		
4/8-27	Barre Falls	22	Hawkcount (DS)	3/30	Plymouth	1	B. Zuzevich
4/21	Mt Holyoke	8	M. Wilson		Piping Plover		
4/24	Saugus	7	S. Zende#	3/13	Plymouth	3	D. Stolley
Bald Eagle				4/1	Ipswich (C.B.)	6	J. Berry
3/7	Wachusett Res.	3	M. Lynch#	4/10	Revere B.	6	P. Peterson
3/10	New Salem	3 ad, 1 imm	B. Lafley	4/14	Winthrop B.	8	P. Peterson
3/18	P.I.	4	Hawkcount (TM)	4/14	P.I.	13	D. Prima
4/21	Quabbin (G40)	4	R. Stymeist#		Killdeer		
Northern Harrier				3/3	Cumb. Farms	10	P. Peterson
3/3	Cumb. Farms	3	P. Peterson	3/19	Ipswich	14	J. Berry
3/11	E. Boston (B.I.)	3	DCR (S. Zende#)	3/20	Nashua R. IBA	28	M. Lynch#
4/2-28	P.I.	90	Hawkcount (CJ)	3/26	Bolton Flats	20	R. Stymeist
4/13	P.I.	12	P. + F. Vale	4/3	Saugus	20	S. Zende#
Sharp-shinned Hawk					American Oystercatcher		
4/8-28	P.I.	29	Hawkcount (CJ)	3/13	Nantucket	3	E. Ray
4/14-25	Barre Falls	23	Hawkcount (DS)	3/24	S. Dartmouth	2	J. Hoye#
Cooper's Hawk				3/26	Winthrop	8	C. Hepburn#
3/27	Squantum	pr	G. d'Entremont	4/2	Squantum	4	E. Lipton
3/27	Stoughton	pr	G. d'Entremont	4/26	Marblehead	1	L. Ferraresso
4/thr	Belmont	pr n	R. Wrubel #		Spotted Sandpiper		
4/8-28	P.I.	23	Hawkcount (CJ)	4/21	ONWR	2	J. Hoye#
4/27	Ipswich	2	J. Berry	4/23	Huntington	3	M. Lynch#
Northern Goshawk				4/26	Wachusett Res.	2	M. Lynch#
4/11	ONWR	1	J. Hoye#		Greater Yellowlegs		
4/18	Templeton	1	T. Pirro	3/13	N Truro	2	M. Lynch#
4/30	Great Barrington	1	M. Lynch#	3/26	Bolton Flats	2	G. Fabbri
Red-shouldered Hawk				3/26	W. Harwich	12	B. Nikula
3/9	Sandisfield	2	M. Lynch#	4/13	Quincy	7	P. Peterson
3/17	Randolph	pr	P. Peterson	4/23	Ipswich	25	J. Berry
3/18	Chestnut Hill	3	P. Peterson	4/30	Newbypt H.	124	G. d'Entremont#
Broad-winged Hawk					Western Willet		
4/9	Bolton Flats	1	J. Hoye#	3/20	Salisbury	1	P. Brown
4/17	Worcester	2	R. Quimby		Willet		
4/17-29	Barre Falls	27	Hawkcount (DS)	4/13	Eastham (CGB)	1	A. Sullivan
4/21	Mt Holyoke	282	M. Wilson	4/19	Nantucket	1	T. Pastuszak
4/23	Otter River SP	2	G. d'Entremont	4/21	Mattapoisett	2	N. Marchessault
4/30	Great Barrington	6	M. Lynch#	4/28	E. Boston (B.I.)	6	S. Riley
Rough-legged Hawk				4/30	P.I.	29	P. + F. Vale
3/3	Cumb. Farms	3	P. Peterson		Lesser Yellowlegs		
3/11	P.I.	1	E. Labato	3/19	Bolton Flats	1	T. Pirro
King Rail				4/10	W. Harwich	2	S. Finnegan
4/24-30	Burrage Pd WMA	1	B. Zuzevich + v.o.	4/24	Saugus	3	S. Zende#
Virginia Rail				4/28	Ipswich	9	J. Berry
3/9, 4/16	Wayland	1, 4	B. Harris		Upland Sandpiper		
4/16	Warren	3	M. Lynch#	4/10	Saugus	1	S. Zende#
4/21	Lynnfield	3	J. Berry#	4/17	Chicopee	6	S. Surner
4/24	Quabog IBA	5	M. Lynch#	4/21	P.I.	1	T. Wetmore#
4/28	GMNWR	3	A. Bragg#	4/24	Saugus	2	S. Zende#
Sora				4/29	Sandwich	4	D. Kim
4/16	Burrage Pd WMA	3	P. Peterson		Sanderling		
4/21	Wayland	1	B. Harris	3/19	Westport	90	M. Lynch#
4/26	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien	3/31	P.I.	53	D. Chickering
4/26	W. Newbury	2	J. Hoye#	4/1	Ipswich (C.B.)	26	J. Berry
Common Gallinule					Least Sandpiper		
4/13	Nantucket	1	S. Kardell	3/31	S. Dart. (A.Pd)	1	N. Sylvia
American Coot				4/22	W. Harwich	3	M. Keleher
3/13	Longmeadow	1	A. Robblee	4/29	S. Dart. (A.Pd)	15	N. Sylvia
3/19	Acoaxet	19	M. Lynch#	4/30	Squantum	4	C. Whitebread
3/24	Woburn (HP)	25	M. Rines		Pectoral Sandpiper		
4/28	GMNWR	2	A. Bragg#	3/26	Newbury	1	S. Mroz
Sandhill Crane				4/3	Bolton Flats	6	K. Bourinot#
thr	Burrage Pd WMA	2	v.o.	4/10	W. Harwich	1	P. Trull
3/thr	E. Bridgewater	1	v.o.	4/11	Fairhaven	5	A. Morgan
3/24	Dedham	1	A. McCarthy#	4/13	Newbury	9	M. Halsey

Pectoral Sandpiper (continued)				Iceland Gull			
4/27	P.I.	9	M. Halsey	3/8	Boston (Deer I.)	6	S. Zende#
Purple Sandpiper				3/11	P'town (R.P.)	36	R. Schain
3/2, 4/22	P.I.	70, 16	MAS (D. Moon)	3/12	Stellwagen	2	J. Berry#
3/9	Gloucester (E.P.)	6	MAS (D. Larson)	3/27	Boston (Deer I.)	3	O. Burton
3/9	S. Boston	4	S. Zende#	Lesser Black-backed Gull			
3/24	Westport	22	J. Hoye#	3/7	Turners Falls	1	J. Smith
Dunlin				3/24	P.I.	1	D. Sibley
3/8	P.I.	220	T. Wetmore	3/25	Sharon	1 ad	V. Zollo
3/9	S. Boston	85	S. Zende#	4/7	Ipswich	1	J. Berry
4/1	Ipswich (C.B.)	95	J. Berry	4/18	Quincy	2	E. Lipton
Short-billed Dowitcher				4/26	S. Quabbin	1	S. Surner
4/25	Essex	1	M. Beyly#	4/29	P'town (R.P.)	22	S. Arena
Dowitcher species				Glaucous Gull			
4/9	S. Dart. (A.Pd)	1	B. Loughlin	3/7	S. Quabbin	1	L. Therrien
Wilson's Snipe				3/18	P'town (R.P.)	4	S. Arena
3/31	Hadley	40	D. Winkler	Least Tern			
4/3	Bolton Flats	55	K. Bourinot#	4/26	Mashpee	1	M. Keleher
4/3	Fairhaven	56	C. Longworth	<b>Caspian Tern</b>			
4/4	Ipswich	36	R. Nok	4/23	P'town (R.P.)	2	M. Iliff#
4/11	W. Newbury	60	P. + F. Vale	4/24-27	Burrage Pd WMA	1	O. Burton + v.o.
4/26	E. Boston (B.I.)	20	S. Riley	Roseate Tern			
American Woodcock				4/29	P'town (R.P.)	2	S. Arena
3/9	P.I.	25	T. Wetmore	4/30	Marion	20	M. Iliff
3/9	Burlington	19	M. Rines	Common Tern			
3/13	Eastham (F.H.)	17	K. Yakola	4/23	P'town (R.P.)	1	M. Iliff#
3/20	Nashua R. IBA	28	M. Lynch#	4/28	Mattapoisett	120	N. Marchessault
Black-legged Kittiwake				4/28	Medford	2	G. Richards
3/12	P'town	10	B. Nikula	4/30	Marion	550	M. Iliff
3/12	Stellwagen	50	J. Berry#	Forster's Tern			
Bonaparte's Gull				4/26	Turners Falls	2	E. Huston
4/24	Stellwagen	450	K. Mueller	4/26	Pittsfield (Onota)	1	J. Pierce
4/26	Northampton	1	K. Yakola	Parasitic Jaeger			
4/26, 28	S. Quabbin	1, 1	L. Therrien	4/30	P'town	1	B. Nikula
4/26	Wachusett Res.	1	M. Lynch#	Dovekie			
4/26	Whately	1	E. Huston	3/13	P'town	1	M. Lynch#
4/30	P'town	1400	B. Nikula	Common Murre			
<b>Black-headed Gull</b>				3/5	P'town (R.P.)	30	P. Trimble#
3/2	Orleans	1	B. Lagasse	4/21	Stellwagen	13	P. Flood#
3/7	Falmouth	1	G. Hirth	Thick-billed Murre			
4/29	P'town (R.P.)	1	S. Arena	3/12	Gloucester H.	3	J. Berry#
<b>Little Gull</b>				3/17	P'town (R.P.)	8	K. Yakola
4/12	Eastham (CGB)	1	A. Sullivan	Razorbill			
4/24	Stellwagen	1 imm	K. Mueller	3/5	Rockport (A.P.)	4 MAS (S. Wheelock)	
4/29	Pittsfield	1	J. Pierce	3/18	P'town (R.P.)	4275	S. Arena
4/30	P'town	1 imm	B. Nikula	4/11	Dorchester	9	J. Benson
Laughing Gull				4/18	P.I.	75	S. Williams
3/13	P'town (R.P.)	2	R. Veit#	4/24	Stellwagen	40	K. Mueller
3/31	Plymouth	24	M. Iliff	Black Guillemot			
4/29	P'town (R.P.)	1570	S. Arena	3/5	P'town (R.P.)	2	N. Dubrow
<b>Mew Gull</b>				3/12	Gloucester H.	7	J. Berry#
3/13-27	P'town (R.P.)	1-2	Veit, Keleher	4/6	P.I.	1	MAS (D. Moon)

## Owls through Finches

A Barred Owl was found on Martha's Vineyard on April 14, only the fourth record for the island. A Snowy Owl lingered as late as April 25 on Nantucket. Long-eared Owls were reported from five locations during this period; at the same time in 2015 none were noted, and there was just one report in 2014. The first Ruby-throated Hummingbird was reported on March 31, well before the general arrival though later than the earliest date on record, March 18, 1973, in Sudbury. Hawk watchers stationed at lot 1 on Plum Island tallied 217 American Kestrels and 41 Merlins during the month of April.

Some early migrants included a male Purple Martin that arrived in Rehoboth on March 19; normally the first birds arrive at the end of the first week in April. A Hooded Warbler was found on Nantucket on March 30, and the first Palm Warbler of the season was noted on Plum Island on March 23.

April was a good month for migration especially after the rare snowstorm early in the month. The first Louisiana Waterthrush of the season was reported on April 3, about two weeks ahead of the average date of arrival. Twenty-three warbler species were noted during the period, most of which arrived during the last week of April. Warbler highlights included two Worm-eating, a Tennessee, two Hooded, two Orange-crowned, and four **Yellow-throated**. A Snow Bunting on April 20 in Winthrop was late to leave the state. Rare birds that continued from the winter included the **Mountain Bluebird** in Falmouth, last reported on March 22, a **Yellow-headed Blackbird** at Cumberland Farms, and Clay-colored Sparrows in Bradford and Lexington.

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Yellow-billed Cuckoo			4/20	Ipswich	2	J. Berry
4/24	GMNWR	1		D. Pettee		
4/28	Edgartown	1		K. Magnuson		
Barn Owl			4/12	Hanscom	7	M. Rines
3/6	Nantucket	1		G. Andrews		
Great Horned Owl			4/13-27	Barre Falls	15	Hawkcount (DS)
3/20	Nashua R. IBA	4		M. Lynch#		
4/thr	Belmont	2 ad, 2yg		R. Wrubel#		
Snowy Owl			4/21	Mt Holyoke	6	M. Wilson
3/thr	P'town (R.P.)	1		v.o.		
3/1-4/13	Saugus	1		M. Resendes		
3/1-4/9	Duxbury B.	1		R. Bowes		
3/1-4/10	P.I.	1-2		v.o.		
3/3	Eastham	1		C. Bates		
4/25	Nantucket	1		H. Young		
Barred Owl			4/24	N. Truro	5	D. Manchester
thr	Medford	2		M. Rines		
4/6	Leominster	2		B. Mulhearn		
4/15	M.V.	1		E. + J. Graves		
4/18	Sharon	2		D. Radovsky		
4/22	Ipswich	3		J. Berry#		
4/23	Upton	7		B. Cassie		
4/30	Great Barrington	2		M. Lynch#		
Long-eared Owl			4/2	New Salem	3	B. Laffley
3/6	Nantucket	2		G. Andrews#		
3/31	Mt. A.	1 ph		E. Corbett#		
4/9	Hadley	1		A. Hulsey		
4/10	Hamilton	2		J. Berry#		
4/12-21	Ashley Falls	1		K. Schopp		
Short-eared Owl			4/30	Great Barrington	24	M. Lynch#
3/1-4/16	P.I.	1-2		E. Labato		
3/5	N. Andover	1		B. Fox		
3/18	E. Boston (B.I.)	2		DCR (S. Zende#)		
4/6	Hadley	1		T. Hulsey		
4/10	Saugus	2		S. Zende#		
Northern Saw-whet Owl			4/18	Sandisfield	4	M. Lynch#
3/8	Sudbury	1		J. Hoye#		
Eastern Whip-poor-will			4/29	Ipswich	3	J. Berry
4/21	S. Peabody	1		R. Nok		
4/30	MSSF	2		M. Iliiff		
Chimney Swift			4/30	Great Barrington	10	M. Lynch#
4/24	W. Roxbury (MP)	3		M. Iliiff		
4/28	Worc. (BMB)	11		J. Liller		
4/28	GMNWR	12		A. Bragg#		
4/28	Stoneham	30		D. + I. Jewell		
4/30	Newton	8		J. Forbes		
Ruby-throated Hummingbird			4/17	Quabbin (G37)	11	S. Miller#
3/31, 4/1	W. Falmouth	1, 2		T. Kapur		
4/18	Littleton	1		H. Bailey		
4/22	WBWS	1		J. McCumber		
4/24	Holden	1		K. Mills		
Belted Kingfisher			4/27	Melrose	1	D. + I. Jewell
3/6	Falmouth	3		G. d'Entremont		
4/1	Reading	2		D. Williams		
4/17	Sandisfield	5		M. Lynch#		
4/18	Westwood	2		W. Webb		
American Kestrel			4/19	P.I.	217	Hawkcount (CJ)
4/thr			4/12	Hanscom	7	M. Rines
Merlin			4/13-27	Barre Falls	15	Hawkcount (DS)
4/thr			4/21	Mt Holyoke	6	M. Wilson
4/24			4/24	DWWS	4	G. d'Entremont
4/24			4/24	Saugus	7	S. Zende#
4/24			4/24	N. Truro	5	D. Manchester
4/thr			4/thr	P.I.	45	Hawkcount (CJ)
4/24			4/24	N. Truro	4	D. Manchester
Peregrine Falcon			thr	Woburn	2	M. Rines
3/27			4/10	Saugus	2	N. Landry
4/20			4/20	E. Boston (B.I.)	2	S. Zende#
Red-headed Woodpecker			thr	Worc. (BMB)	1	P. Peterson
thr			thr	Longmeadow	2	v.o.
thr			thr	W. Roxbury (MP)	1	v.o.
thr			thr	Ipswich	1	v.o.
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker			4/2	New Salem	3	B. Laffley
4/9			4/9	Wendell	6	M. Lynch#
4/17			4/17	Quabbin (G37)	14	S. Miller#
4/20			4/20	Petersham	13	M. Lynch#
4/21			4/21	Quabbin (G40)	7	R. Stymeist#
4/30			4/30	Great Barrington	24	M. Lynch#
Northern Flicker			4/19	P.I.	20	T. Wetmore
4/30			4/30	Great Barrington	15	M. Lynch#
Pileated Woodpecker			4/17	Sandisfield	4	M. Lynch#
4/18			4/18	Ware R. IBA	3	M. Lynch#
4/29			4/29	Ipswich	3	J. Berry
4/30			4/30	Quabbin (G54)	4	B. Zajda
Least Flycatcher			3/27	W. Warren	12	B. Zajda
4/30			3/31	P.I.	17	D. Chickering
Eastern Phoebe			4/1	Quabog IBA	45	M. Lynch#
3/27			4/10	Andover	10	M. Baird
3/31			4/17	Quabbin (G37)	11	S. Miller#
4/1			4/30	Great Crested Flycatcher		
4/10			4/30	Framingham	1	B. Cassie
4/17			4/22	Falmouth	1	K. Fiske
4/27			4/27	Mansfield	1	M. Fox
4/27			4/27	Melrose	1	D. + I. Jewell
Northern Shrike			4/7	Windsor	1	G. LeBaron
4/7			White-eyed Vireo			
4/14			4/14	Hopkinton	1 ph	R. Emerson
4/18			4/18	N. Dighton	1	J. Eckerson

White-eyed Vireo (continued)			4/17	Wompatuck SP	7	G. d'Entremont
4/27 Longmeadow	1	M. Moore	4/23	Upton	12	B. Cassie
Yellow-throated Vireo			4/27	Warwick	7	M. Lynch#
4/25 Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien		House Wren		
4/29 Nahant	1	D. Wilkinson	4/22	Hamilton	1	J. Berry
4/30 Great Barrington	2	M. Lynch#	4/24	New Braintree	1	M. Lynch#
Blue-headed Vireo			4/24	Belmont	1	J. Battenfield
4/20 Petersham	6	M. Lynch#	4/24	Ipswich	2	J. Berry
4/28 Medford	7	M. Rines#	4/26	Belmont	4	MBC (R. Stymeist)
4/28 Mt.A.	7	M. Sabourin	4/28	Medford	3	M. Rines#
4/28 P.I.	7	D. Prima		Winter Wren		
4/29 Ipswich	7	J. Berry	3/26	Quabbin (G35)	2	B. Zajda
4/30 Framingham	4	B. Cassie	4/17	Wompatuck SP	2	G. d'Entremont
Warbling Vireo			4/27	Warwick	5	M. Lynch#
4/27 Woburn (HP)	2	M. Rines	4/30	Great Barrington	4	M. Lynch#
4/29 Cambridge	5	J. Guion		Marsh Wren		
4/29 Worcester	3	R. Quimby	3/9	Wayland	2	B. Harris
4/30 Boston (A.A.)	3	BBC (R. Mayer)	3/11, 4/24	GMNWR	3, 14	v.o.
Fish Crow			4/21	Lynnfield	2	J. Berry#
3/5 Longmeadow	2	B. Zajda#	4/24	Ipswich	2	J. Berry
3/12 Gloucester	8	J. Berry#	4/30	P.I.	7	T. Wetmore
4/1 Stoughton	31	BBC (GdE)		Blue-gray Gnatcatcher		
4/6 Revere (POP)	4	R. Stymeist	4/5	Northampton	1	D. Pritchard
4/13 P.I.	5	T. Wetmore	4/28	GMNWR	8	A. Bragg#
4/20 Ipswich	11	J. Berry	4/28	Seekonk	5	J. Sweeney
4/28 Waltham	4	J. Benson	4/30	Georgetown	5	P. + F. Vale
Common Raven			4/30	Medford	8	M. Rines#
3/23 P'town (R.P.)	4	M. Morales		Golden-crowned Kinglet		
3/24 Boston	4	O. Burton	4/1	P.I.	15 b	B. Flemer#
3/26 Huntington	4	M. Lynch#	4/8	Woburn (HP)	4	M. Rines
3/31 Woburn	4	M. Rines	4/8	W. Roxbury (MP)	4	J. Battenfield
Horned Lark			4/13	Worcester	4	R. LaFontaine
3/3 Cumb. Farms	40	P. Peterson	4/23	P.I.	3	D. Swain#
3/6 Saugus	30	S. Zende#	4/27	Warwick	5	M. Lynch#
3/11 P.I.	10	E. Labato		Ruby-crowned Kinglet		
3/17 Ipswich	27	J. Berry	3/19	Newton	2	H. Miller
4/11 Rutland	10	M. Lynch#	4/17	Quabbin (G37)	17	S. Miller#
Purple Martin			4/18	P.I.	20	S. Williams
3/19 Rehoboth	1	R. Marr	4/21	Quabbin (G40)	12	R. Stymeist#
3/31 P.I.	2	T. Mara#	4/21	P'town	13	B. Nikula
4/21 Norfolk	2	E. Lipton	4/24	Boston	13	P. Peterson
4/22 DWWS	20	MAS (D. Ludlow)	4/27	Warwick	34	M. Lynch#
4/24 Norfolk	4	J. Alberta	4/28	Medford	22	M. Rines#
Tree Swallow				Eastern Bluebird		
3/10 Wayland	2	B. Harris	3/6	DFWS	11	P. Sowizral
3/10 Bolton Flats	10	B. Robo	3/7	Wachusett Res.	6	M. Lynch#
3/27 GMNWR	200	N. Dowling	4/11	Ware R. IBA	6	M. Lynch#
4/2 IRWS	100	M. Baird#	4/13	S. Amherst	6	B. Zajda
4/25 P.I.	200	D. Williams		Mountain Bluebird		
4/26 Wachusett Res.	257	M. Lynch#	3/1-22	Falmouth	1	v.o.
Northern Rough-winged Swallow				Veery		
4/9 Westford	2	D. Cabral	4/28	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien
4/16 Waltham	2	J. Forbes	4/29	Quabbin (G33)	1	G. Watkevich
4/18 South Royalston	8	M. Lynch#		Hermit Thrush		
4/24 DWWS	8	G. d'Entremont	3/6	Falmouth	3	G. d'Entremont
Bank Swallow			4/18	Ware R. IBA	16	M. Lynch#
4/22 Manomet	6	E. Dalton	4/21	P.I.	10	T. Wetmore
4/24 P.I.	1	T. Wetmore	4/27	Warwick	13	M. Lynch#
Barn Swallow			4/28	Medford	19	M. Rines#
3/11 P'town (R.P.)	1	R. Schain	4/29	Ipswich	14	J. Berry
3/31 Wayland	1	B. Harris		Gray Catbird		
4/23 GMNWR	7	J. Forbes	3/19	Northboro	2	E. Faughnan
4/26 Wachusett Res.	6	M. Lynch#	4/28	Belchertown	2	B. Zajda
4/27 Ipswich	5	J. Berry		Brown Thrasher		
Red-breasted Nuthatch			4/21	Lancaster	2	M. Lynch#
4/9 Hamilton	3	J. Berry#	4/26	P.I.	4	T. Wetmore
4/11 Ware R. IBA	13	M. Lynch#	4/26	Belchertown	2	B. Zajda
4/17 Quabbin (G37)	9	S. Miller#	4/28	Medford	3	M. Rines#
4/18 P.I.	3	M. Halsey		American Pipit		
4/23 Otter River SP	4	G. d'Entremont	3/4	Cumb. Farms	30	MAS (D. Ludlow)
Brown Creeper			3/29	Newbury	15	J. Hoye#
3/27 Winchester	8	R. LaFontaine#	4/9	P'town (R.P.)	2	B. Thompson
4/6 Ipswich	7	J. Berry	4/26	Northampton	2	L. Therrien

<b>Bohemian Waxwing</b>			4/1	Nantucket	1	G. Andrews	
3/3	Dalton	2		American Redstart			
3/15	Williamstown	1		4/27	Cambridge	1	C. Husic
3/26	P.I.	2		4/30	Great Barrington	1	M. Lynch#
<b>Cedar Waxwing</b>				<b>Northern Parula</b>			
3/5	Quabog IBA	33		4/12	Winchester	1	R. LaFontaine
3/20	Nashua R. IBA	27		4/21	ONWR	3	M. Lynch#
4/22	Hamilton	12		4/28	Medford	6	M. Rines#
<b>Lapland Longspur</b>				4/30	Quabbin (G54)	3	B. Zajda
3/5	Cumb. Farms	1		4/30	Jamaica Plain	3	P. Peterson
3/6	P'town (R.P.)	1		<b>Magnolia Warbler</b>			
3/10	Winthrop B.	1		4/26	Mt.A.	1	J. Benson
3/12	Nantucket	1		4/28	W. Roxbury (MP)	1	B. Cassie
4/3	Hadley	1		<b>Blackburnian Warbler</b>			
4/4	Ipswich	1		4/28	W. Roxbury (MP)	1	B. Cassie
4/24	Saugus	1		4/30	Great Barrington	3	M. Lynch#
<b>Snow Bunting</b>				<b>Yellow Warbler</b>			
3/4, 3/17	Duxbury B.	40, 27		4/22	Falmouth	1	K. Fiske
3/10, 4/20	Winthrop B.	60, 1		4/25	Newton	1	J. Forbes
3/11	P'town (R.P.)	90		4/27	Woburn (HP)	2	M. Rines
3/28	Wachusett Res.	4		4/28	Seekonk	5	J. Sweeney
<b>Ovenbird</b>				4/28	W. Roxbury (MP)	9	B. Cassie
4/22	W. Barnstable	1		4/29	Cambridge	8	J. Guion
4/23	Otter River SP	1		<b>Black-throated Blue Warbler</b>			
4/29	Ipswich	5		4/24	Jefferson	2	D. Mahoney
4/30	Framingham	16		4/30	Great Barrington	3	M. Lynch#
4/30	Rowley	12		<b>Palm Warbler</b>			
<b>Worm-eating Warbler</b>				3/23, 4/12	P.I.	1, 24	T. Wetmore
4/28	Mashpee	1		4/16	Warren	42	M. Lynch#
4/30	Quabbin (G54)	1		4/21	GMNWR	20	D. Swain#
<b>Louisiana Waterthrush</b>				4/21	Medford	24	R. LaFontaine
4/3-30	Reports of 1-2 indiv. from 15 locations			4/21	Arlington Res.	34	M. Rines
4/7	Spencer	3		4/22	P.I.	22	S. McGrath#
4/17	Sandisfield	3		<b>Western Palm Warbler</b>			
4/23	Willard Brook SP	3		4/30	Rowley	1	J. Berry#
4/23	Huntington	12		<b>Pine Warbler</b>			
4/24	Ashby	5		3/6	Salisbury	1	D. Kraushaar
4/30	Great Barrington	4		3/12	Lincoln	1	M. Rines
<b>Northern Waterthrush</b>				4/17	Quabbin (G37)	42	S. Miller#
4/7	New Salem	1		4/21	Quabbin (G40)	24	R. Stymeist#
4/9	Oakham	1		4/27	Warwick	34	M. Lynch#
4/24	Wompatuck SP	2		4/29	Ipswich	22	J. Berry
4/30	Framingham	4		<b>Yellow-rumped Warbler</b>			
<b>Blue-winged Warbler</b>				4/21	Arlington Res.	78	M. Rines
4/21	ONWR	1		4/21	Brighton	45	P. Peterson
<b>Lawrence's Warbler</b>				4/23	Winchester	22	R. LaFontaine#
4/28	Seekonk	1		4/27	Warwick	121	M. Lynch#
<b>Black-and-white Warbler</b>				4/27	P'town	50	B. Nikula
4/23	P.I.	2		4/28	Medford	125	M. Rines#
4/24	Boston	2		4/30	Jamaica Plain	30	P. Peterson
4/28	Seekonk	3		<b>Yellow-throated Warbler</b>			
4/28	Medford	8		3/27-4/4	S. Dartmouth	1	A. Morgan + v.o.
4/30	Framingham	12		4/22	Falmouth	1	K. Fiske
4/30	Great Barrington	10		4/23	Swampscott	1 m	K. Haley
<b>Tennessee Warbler</b>				4/29	Brookline	1	B. Cassie
4/28	Mt.A.	1		<b>Prairie Warbler</b>			
<b>Orange-crowned Warbler</b>				4/24	Medford	1	R. LaFontaine#
3/1	Ipswich	1		4/30	Framingham	1	B. Cassie
4/30	MNWS	1		<b>Black-throated Green Warbler</b>			
<b>Nashville Warbler</b>				4/24	New Braintree	1	M. Lynch#
4/21	Brewster	1		4/25	Boxford	1	J. Berry
4/28	Mt.A.	1		4/30	Great Barrington	13	M. Lynch#
4/29	Wenham	1		4/30	Quabbin (G54)	4	B. Zajda
4/30	Framingham	1		<b>Eastern Towhee</b>			
4/30	Medford	1		4/16	Burrage Pd WMA	2	P. Peterson
<b>Common Yellowthroat</b>				4/22	Hopkinton	4	R. Emerson
4/23	Huntington	1		4/23	P.I.	38	D. Swain#
4/23	WBWS	1		4/28	Medford	10	M. Rines#
4/29	Woburn (HP)	1		4/30	Great Barrington	13	M. Lynch#
4/30	Great Barrington	1		4/30	Quabbin (G54)	18	B. Zajda
4/30	Medford	2		<b>American Tree Sparrow</b>			
<b>Hooded Warbler</b>				3/5	Cumb. Farms	50	G. d'Entremont
3/30	Nantucket	1		4/21	Arlington Res.	1	M. Rines



American Tree Sparrow (continued)

4/27	Northboro	2	S. Miller#
<b>Chipping Sparrow</b>			
4/18	Ware R. IBA	47	M. Lynch#
4/21	Quabbin (G40)	17	R. Stymeist#
4/21	W. Newbury	16	P. + F. Vale#
4/27	Warwick	77	M. Lynch#
4/29	Ipswich	16	J. Berry

**Clay-colored Sparrow**

thr	Bradford	1	S. Mirick
3/26	Arlington Res.	1	J. Forbes

**Field Sparrow**

4/14	Woburn (HP)	3	D. Williams
4/16	Sturbridge	4	M. Lynch#
4/20	Worc. (BMB)	3	J. Liller
4/21	Lancaster	5	M. Lynch#
4/23	P.I.	4	T. Wetmore

**Vesper Sparrow**

4/2	Belchertown	1	D. Griffiths
4/14	Williamstown	2	M. Morales
4/16	Hadley	4	L. Therrien
4/18	Orange	2	E. Huston
4/21	Lancaster	3	M. Lynch#
4/24	Saugus	1	S. Zende#

**Lark Sparrow**

3/7-10	Eastham (F.H.)	1	S. Miller#
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**Savannah Sparrow**

3/31, 4/21	Wayland	2, 43	B. Harris
4/13	Quincy	20	P. Peterson
4/17	Saugus	65	S. Zende#
4/21	Topsfield	14	J. Berry
4/23	P'town (R.P.)	96	I. Davies#
4/27	Cambr. (Danehy)	22	K. Hartel

**Ipswich Sparrow**

4/9	Duxbury B.	1	R. Bowes
4/26-27	Burrage Pd WMA	1	N. Marchessault#

**Grasshopper Sparrow**

4/30	Westfield	1	S. Cloutier
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**Nelson's Sparrow**

3/13	Eastham (F.H.)	5	K. Yakola
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**Saltmarsh Sparrow**

4/23	E. Boston (B.I.)	1	P. Peterson
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**Fox Sparrow**

3/5, 26	Woburn	1, 5	M. Rines
3/6	Falmouth	2	G. d'Entremont
3/18	Lexington (DM)	14	M. Rines
3/26	Quabbin (G39)	6	B. Laffley#
3/27	Oxford	5	P. Meleski

**Swamp Sparrow**

4/21	Wayland	62	B. Harris
4/23	Wakefield	17	P. + F. Vale
4/23	Otter River SP	11	G. d'Entremont
4/24	Quabog IBA	34	M. Lynch#
4/28	GMNWR	19	A. Bragg#

**White-crowned Sparrow**

3/6-26	Cumb. Farms	1	N. Marchessault
3/17	Quincy	1	J. Sweeney
4/16	Nantucket	1	P. Trimble#

**Dark-eyed Junco**

4/27	Woburn	1	M. Rines
4/28	P.I.	3	D. Prima

**Scarlet Tanager**

4/22	Falmouth	1	K. Fiske
4/28	Jefferson	1	B. Robo

**Rose-breasted Grosbeak**

4/23	Harvard	1	A. Becklean
4/26	Wakefield	1	T. + J. Beers
4/26	Merrimac	1	B. + B. Buxton
4/28	Medford	2	M. Rines#

**Dickcissel**

3/16	Worcester	1	B. Kamp
3/16	Plymouth	1	K. Doyon

**Eastern Meadowlark**

3/2	Templeton	1	T. Pirro
3/5	E. Boston (B.I.)	1	A. Trautmann
3/12	Bolton Flats	1	N. Dowling
3/13	Wachusett Res.	2	B. Robo
3/26	Falmouth	2	P. + F. Vale
3/27	W. Warren	2	B. Zajda
4/8	Essex	2	J. Nelson
4/11	Ashley Falls	4	K. Schopp

**Yellow-headed Blackbird**

3/4-05	Cumb. Farms	1	D. Ludlow + v.o.
4/23	W. Harwich	1 ph	M. Albis

**Rusty Blackbird**

3/17	S. Hamilton	36	D. Walters
4/8	Lexington	20	M. Rines
4/10	Concord	20	C. Corey
4/10	Wayland	126	B. Harris
4/24	Lynnfield	333	L. Ireland

**Orchard Oriole**

4/28	Boston (PG)	1	BBC (Ferraresso)
4/28	Winchester	1	R. LaFontaine
4/28	Mt.A.	2	F. Leyman

**Baltimore Oriole**

4/1	Barnstable	1	N. Villone
4/23	Winchester	1	S. Driscoll
4/28	Mt.A.	2	M. Sabourin
4/30	Medford	2	M. Rines#

**Purple Finch**

3/17	Harwichport	1	B. Nikula
4/2	New Salem	2	B. Laffey
4/4	Bolton	2	J. Moosbrucker
4/6	Ipswich	2	J. Berry
4/11	Ware R. IBA	64	M. Lynch#
4/13	P.I.	12	T. Wetmore
4/21	Quabbin (G40)	2	R. Stymeist#

**Pine Siskin**

3/27	Milton	1	G. d'Entremont
4/2	New Salem	1	B. Laffey
4/6	Colrain	2	J. Hoye#
4/21	N. Truro	1	B. Nikula
4/21	P'town	2	B. Nikula
4/30	Great Barrington	2	M. Lynch#

**Evening Grosbeak**

3/1	Williamstown	3	M. Morales
3/17	Athol	10	G. Watkevich
3/18	Colrain	1	C. Lively
4/16	Warrick	3	G. d'Entremont#
4/19	Plainfield	2	J. Williams
4/20	Cumington	1	L. Therrien
4/25	Rowe	4	C. Hyttinen

## ABBREVIATIONS FOR BIRD SIGHTINGS

Taxonomic order is based on AOU checklist, Seventh edition, up to the 53rd Supplement, as published in *Auk* 129 (3): 573-88 (2012) (see <<http://checklist.aou.org/>>).

<b>Locations</b>		Newbypt	Newburyport
Location-#	MAS Breeding Bird Atlas Block	ONWR	Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge
A.A.	Arnold Arboretum, Boston	PG	Public Garden, Boston
ABC	Allen Bird Club	P.I.	Plum Island
A.P.	Andrews Point, Rockport	Pd	Pond
A.Pd	Allens Pond, S. Dartmouth	POP	Point of Pines, Revere
B.	Beach	PR	Pinnacle Rock, Malden
Barre F.D.	Barre Falls Dam	P'town	Provincetown
B.I.	Belle Isle, E. Boston	Pont.	Pontoosuc Lake, Lanesboro
B.R.	Bass Rocks, Gloucester	R.P.	Race Point, Provincetown
BBC	Brookline Bird Club	Res.	Reservoir
BMB	Broad Meadow Brook, Worcester	RKG	Rose Kennedy Greenway, Boston
BNC	Boston Nature Center, Mattapan	S.B.	South Beach, Chatham
C.B.	Crane Beach, Ipswich	S.N.	Sandy Neck, Barnstable
CGB	Coast Guard Beach, Eastham	SRV	Sudbury River Valley
C.P.	Crooked Pond, Boxford	SSBC	South Shore Bird Club
Cambr.	Cambridge	TASL	Take A Second Look, Boston Harbor Census
CCBC	Cape Cod Bird Club	WBWS	Wellfleet Bay WS
Corp. B.	Corporation Beach, Dennis	WE	World's End, Hingham
Cumb. Farms	Cumberland Farms, Middleboro	WMWS	Wachusett Meadow WS
DFWS	Drumlin Farm Wildlife Sanctuary	Wompatuck SP	Hingham, Cohasset, Scituate, Norwell
DWMA	Delaney WMA, Stow, Bolton, Harvard	Worc.	Worcester
DWWS	Daniel Webster WS		
E.P.	Eastern Point, Gloucester	<b>Other Abbreviations</b>	
F.E.	First Encounter Beach, Eastham	ad	adult
F.H.	Fort Hill, Eastham	b	banded
F.P.	Fresh Pond, Cambridge	br	breeding
F.Pk	Franklin Park, Boston	dk	dark (morph)
G40	Gate 40, Quabbin Res.	f	female
GMNWR	Great Meadows NWR	fide	on the authority of
H.	Harbor	fl	fledgling
H.P.	Halibut Point, Rockport	imm	immature
HP	Horn Pond, Woburn	juv	juvenile
HRWMA	High Ridge WMA, Gardner	lt	light (morph)
I.	Island	m	male
IRWS	Ipswich River WS	max	maximum
L.	Ledge	migr	migrating
MAS	Mass Audubon	n	nesting
MP	Millennium Park, W. Roxbury	ph	photographed
M.V.	Martha's Vineyard	pl	plumage
MBWMA	Martin Burns WMA, Newbury	pr	pair
MI	Morris Island	S	summer (1S = 1st summer)
MNWS	Marblehead Neck WS	v.o.	various observers
MSSF	Myles Standish State Forest, Plymouth	W	winter (2W = second winter)
Mt.A.	Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambr.	yg	young
NAC	Nine Acre Corner, Concord	#	additional observers

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