

BIRD SIGHTINGS

July–August 2018

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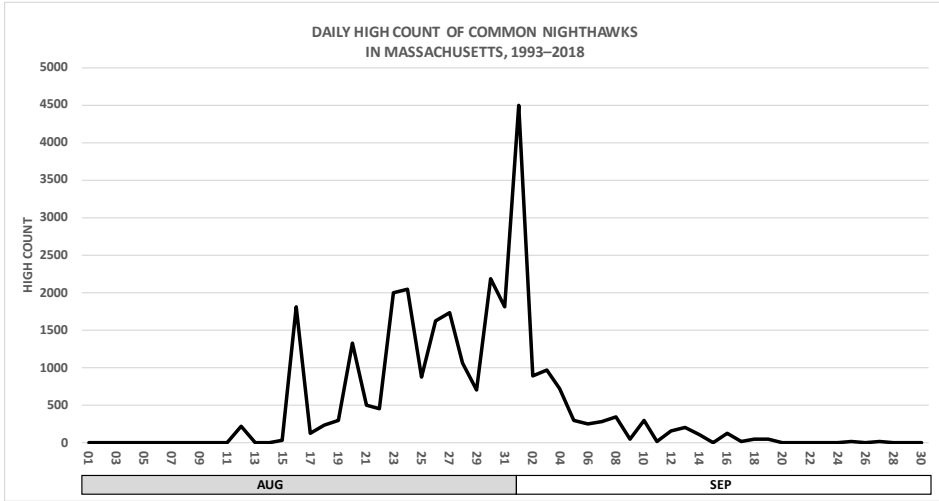


Figure 1. Fall migration of Common Nighthawk in Massachusetts. Daily maxima in August and September from 1993–2018. Data from eBird.org.

If you like heat and humidity, 2018 was your summer! It was the warmest meteorological summer (June–August) on record, surpassing the sweltering summer of 1983. The months of July and August were each the warmest on record for Boston. The summer was characterized by a seemingly persistent tropical air mass and dew points were above 70 degrees on many days.

The high temperature in Boston for July was 98 degrees on July 3, beating the record of 96 degrees set back in 1953. There were seven days in July in which temperatures exceeded 90 degrees. The average temperature was 77 degrees, three degrees above normal. Rainfall totaled 4.55 inches, 1.12 inches above the average for July. The highest one-day rainfall total was 2.68 inches on July 17. There was a flash flood warning for parts of southeastern Massachusetts and Rhode Island on July 6–7.

August recorded ten days of temperatures above 90 degrees. The highest temperature for Boston for the month was 98 degrees on August 29 and the average for the month was 77 degrees, five degrees above normal. Rainfall totaled 4.65 inches, 1.3 inches above normal. The weather made headline news in August when a tornado touched down in the towns of Dudley and Webster in Worcester County. Winds from the twister, clocking up to 110 mph, completely destroyed two buildings on Main Street in Webster. Other areas in central and eastern Massachusetts experienced torrential downpours with flash flooding.

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WATERFOWL THROUGH IBISES

A **Black-bellied Whistling-Duck** was photographed at Westport at the end of July. This southern species has recently been increasing its range, and together with a propensity for

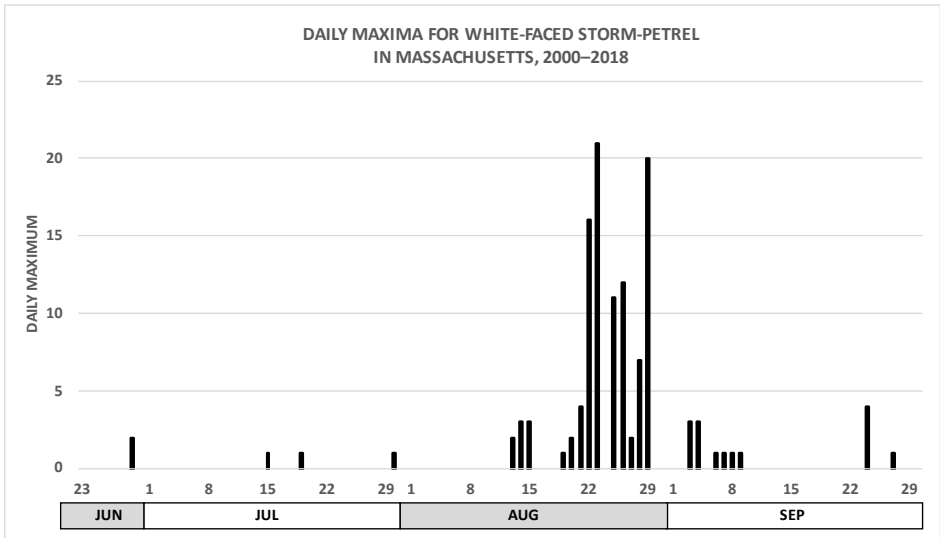


Figure 2. White-faced Storm-Petrel status in Massachusetts. Daily maxima from June–August 2000–2018. Data from eBird.org and *Bird Observer*.

wandering, has been turning up almost annually in the state since the first record in Ipswich ten years ago.

A Snow Goose was a rare summer sight in Hyannis for much of July and August. **King Eiders** were reported from Westport and Tuckernuck Island, only the second and fourth records this century for July and August, respectively. The family of Ring-necked Ducks in Royalston, the first documented breeding in the state since 1979, was doing well in July, although missing one of the original seven ducklings.

This was a good year for Pied-billed Grebes, which were recorded in seven counties this summer with breeding confirmed in at least two locations. Pied-billed Grebe is listed as endangered, together with eight other bird species, under the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA).

Common Nighthawks begin their southern migration in the last weeks of August, typically peaking around September 1 (see Figure 1). Over the past fifty years this goatsucker has been suffering a massive population decline. This year, however, brought a welcome respite from the bad news: Tom Gagnon, Northampton nighthawk watcher, reported the numbers this fall to be his third best for the past 44 years. It was also the first time he'd had back-to-back nights of more than 1,000 birds. A **Chuck-will's-widow** continued into July in Plymouth.

Fairhaven has become the go-to place in the state for rail watching. This summer allowed for a good comparison of the two large rallids, with a **King Rail** present throughout July and the first half of August together with up to two Clapper Rails. Clappers were also reported from nearby Westport and locations around the Cape. **Common Gallinules** were present at five sites, including an impressive six individuals at Monomoy.

Shorebird migration was well underway this period, including a couple of rare vagrants. A **Common Ringed Plover**, the fifth record for the state, was photographed and audio recorded at Monomoy on August 19. An adult **Little Stint** was also found at Chatham (July 31) and was also a one-day wonder. This bird represents the seventh record this century, all reported from Chatham during fall migration.

A National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) vessel passing through state waters in July and August logged a bounty of rarities. Goodies from the NOAA boat included: three **Red-billed Tropicbirds**; a **Trindade Petrel** (a potential third record for the state); two **Black-capped Petrels**; and a second-for-the-state **Masked Booby**. Anticipation was thus high for the overnight pelagic run by the Brookline Bird Club (BBC). After a year of weather-related cancellations, the group finally left harbor on August 25. Despite a lack of mega-rarities, solid numbers of deep-water species were recorded, including: 17 **Band-rumped Storm-Petrels**, 16 **Audubon's Shearwaters**, and a crowd-pleasing 25 **White-faced Storm-Petrels**. This overnight trip out of Hyannis has become the most reliable pelagic in the country to find this antipodean breeding species and the last week of August seems to be the best bet for seeing these birds in double-digits (see Figure 2). The trip also ran into an impressive four **South Polar Skuas**, two **Long-tailed Jaegers**, and a record fall count of 979 Red Phalaropes (beating the previous high of 550 from 2006, also set on a BBC August pelagic trip).

The highlight of the Laridae family this period was a **Sandwich Tern** photographed on Nantucket on July 28. Sandwich Tern is almost annual to our state, with the lion's share found in Barnstable County. This is the first record for Nantucket County since 2003. An impressive 24 Arctic Terns, all but one of which were immatures, were reported from Monomoy. After a bumper year for Brown Pelican sightings last year, a report of a bird flying past Eastham on July 29 was only the second for this year. A lingering **White-faced Ibis** photographed at Manchester is only one of a handful of July records.

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Black-bellied Whistling-Duck				7/12	Nantucket	1	S. Fea
7/29	Westport	1 ph	J. Eckerson#	8/26-8/27	E. Boston	1	S. Jones#
Snow Goose					Green-winged Teal		
7/12-8/29	Hyannis	1	S. Matheny	7/2	S. Monomoy	23	S. Williams#
Brant				7/2	Nantucket	5	S. Kardell
7/4	Dighton	1	J. Eckerson#	8/11	PI	9 1f+8yg	T. Wetmore
7/6	PI	1	T. Wetmore		Ring-necked Duck		
7/29	Revere B.	4	C. Cook#	7/20	Royalston	7 1f+6yg	E. LeBlanc
8/27	Newton	1	H. Miller	8/19	S. Monomoy	4	S. Williams#
Mute Swan					Greater Scaup		
8/18	Medford	19	R. Stymeist	7/8-7/16	Falmouth	1	P. Fang#
8/19	Acoaxet	79	M. Lynch#	7/30-8/21	Westport	1	J. Eckerson
Wood Duck					King Eider		
7/8	Royalston	34	M. Lynch#	7/4-7/22	Westport	1 f ph	M. Iliff + v.o.
7/15	GMNWR	41	S. Arena	8/27	Tuckernuck I.	1 f ph	A. Black#
8/10	Barnstable	10	L. Waters#		Common Eider		
8/18	Cheshire	59	M. Lynch#	7/6	Revere B.	54	R. Stymeist
8/24	Belchertown	28	L. Therrien	7/23	Acoaxet	52	M. Lynch#
Blue-winged Teal				8/19	Rockport	115	J. Berry#
7/2, 8/19	S. Monomoy	4,9	S. Williams#		Surf Scoter		
7/12	Nantucket	3	S. Fea	7/19	Berkley	1 m A.	+ M. Eckerson
8/5	Quincy	1	E. Nielsen#	8/19	Acoaxet	5	M. Lynch#
8/11	Rockport (AP)	1	R. Heil	8/31	Barnstable (SN)	5	P. Crosson
8/21-8/25	PI	1	T. Wetmore + v.o.		White-winged Scoter		
8/24	Carlisle	2	T. Swain	7/19	Westport	6	M. Eckerson#
Northern Shoveler				8/11	Rockport (AP)	2	R. Heil
7/2, 8/19	S. Monomoy	2,16	S. Williams#	8/16	Monomoy NWR	9	F. Atwood
7/12	Nantucket	5	S. Fea		Black Scoter		
8/5	Quincy	1	E. Nielsen#	7/29	Westport	9	L. Waters#
Gadwall				8/12	Rockport (AP)	3	D. Walters
7/2	S. Monomoy	147	S. Williams#	8/20	Manomet	14	E. Dalton
7/12	Nantucket	3	S. Fea		Long-tailed Duck		
7/15	Hanson	2	R. Stymeist	7/1-7/4	Chatham	1	P. Gaines
8/16	PI	22	D. Walters	7/2-8/5	PI	1	R. Heil + v.o.
American Wigeon				7/15	Duxbury B.	1	R. Bowes
8/19	S. Monomoy	3	S. Williams#		Bufflehead		
American Black Duck				7/5	Mattapoisett	1 m	N. Marchessault
7/5, 8/16	PI	15,37	T. Wetmore, D. Walters		Hooded Merganser		
Northern Pintail				7/1	GMNWR	11 1pr+9yg	S. Arena
7/2, 8/19	S. Monomoy	10,15	S. Williams#	7/7	Quabbin (G10)	4 1ad+3yg	SSBC (G.d'Entremont)

Hooded Merganser (continued)	7/10-7/29	Eastham (FH)	2 max	N. Tepper + v.o.
7/20	Royalston	12 yg	E. LeBlanc	
8/2	PI	4	T. Wetmore	
8/31	Orange	3	G. d'Entremont#	
Common Merganser	7/10-7/29	Westport	1	M. Iliff
8/1	Quabbin (G8)	3 f	M. Lynch#	
Red-breasted Merganser	King/Clapper Rail	8/17	Fairhaven	3 juv ph C.Longworth
7/4	S. Dart. (APd)	2	M. Iliff	
Ruddy Duck	7/1-8/17	Fairhaven	1 ph	C. Longworth
7/19	S. Monomoy	3	S. Williams#	
8/15	PI	3	S. Benedetto	
Northern Bobwhite	Virginia Rail	7/14-7/15	GMNWR	62 S. Arena
7/5	S. Dart. (APd)	1	J. Hoye#	
7/9	Cumb. Farms	5	D. Furbish	
7/28	Leicester	1	C. Bailey	
8/1	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien	
8/12	Georgetown	1	G. Power	
Ring-necked Pheasant	7/20	Bolton Flats	16	S. Arena
7/15	Quabog IBA	1	M. Lynch#	
Ruffed Grouse	7/29	Sandisfield	9	6ad+3yg M. Lynch#
7/7	Quabbin (G10)	6	2ad+4yg	SSBC(G. d'Entremont)
7/7	New Salem	1	L. Therrien	
8/25	Ashby	1	J. Forbes	
8/26	Winchendon	1	M. Lynch#	
Wild Turkey	8/3	PI	2	D. Adrien
7/7	Windsor	29	2f+27yg	M. Lynch#
7/21-7/25	Ipswich	22	4f+18yg	J. & N. Berry
8/15	Hardwick	25	3ad+22yg	M. Lynch#
Pied-billed Grebe	8/24	Belchertown	3	L. Therrien
thr	Fairhaven	1	ad	C.Longworth+v.o.
7/1	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien	
7/1-7/12	Royalston	1	E. LeBlanc	
7/1-8/25	Richmond	4	1ad+3juv	M. Morales + v.o.
7/19-7/31	PI	1	ad	T.Wetmore + v.o.
7/31	S. Monomoy	5	1ad+4juv	S. Williams#
8/6-8/10	Gloucester (EP)	1	ad	J. Keyes
8/10	Concord	1	ad	D. Swain
8/18	Southboro	1	ad	M. Iliff
8/20-8/31	Northampton	1	juv	M. McKittrick + v.o.
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	7/1-7/27	Worthington	3	1pr+1juv S. Surner + v.o.
7/1	PI	1	M. McCarthy	
7/7	New Salem	2	L. Therrien	
7/16	Quabbin	2	M. Lynch#	
Black-billed Cuckoo	7/3-8/26	Burrage Pd	WMA3	1pr+1juv J. Re + v.o.
7/7	Windsor	2	M. Lynch#	
7/7	Quabbin (G10)	2	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)	
8/2-8/5	WBWS	2	1ad+1juv	K. Burke + v.o.
Common Nighthawk	8/13	New Marlboro	3	1pr+1juv C. Blake
8/15-31	Northampton	6029	T. Gagnon	
8/21, 8/22	MtA	16,28	R. Stymeist#	
8/26	Holden	94	L. + S. Hennin	
8/27	Leicester	439	M. Lynch#	
8/27	Northampton	1736	T. Gagnon	
Chuck-will's-widow	7/1-7/27	Worthington	3	1pr+1juv S. Surner + v.o.
7/1-7/6	Plymouth	2	D. Burton# + v.o.	
Eastern Whip-poor-will	7/5	COHASSET	12	5ad+7yg R. Stymeist
7/1	PI	5	K. Seymour#	
7/2	Plymouth	4	D. Burton#	
7/5	Stow	2	R. Stymeist#	
8/25	Quabbin Pk	3	L. Therrien	
Chimney Swift	7/23	Ipswich (CB)	27	J. Berry
7/31	Sharon	6	G. d'Entremont#	
8/28	Leicester	22	M. Lynch#	
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	7/31	Chatham (SB)	47	F. Grenon
7/11	Milton	11	5ad+6yg	R. Massey
8/4	Longmeadow	8	J. Forbes	
8/16	GMNWR	18	A. Bragg#	
8/16	PI	7	D. Walters	
8/17	N. Dighton	10	J. Eckerson	
Clapper Rail	8/26-8/27	Revere (POP)	1	S. Jones#
7/1-8/27	Fairhaven	2	max	C.Longworth+v.o.
7/1-7/12	Wellfleet	1	S. Broker	
7/8-7/31	Barnstable (SN)	1	P. Crosson	
American Coot	7/1-7/4	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien + v.o.
7/2, 7/31	S. Monomoy	10,18	S. Williams#	
7/12	Brookfield	1	R. Jenkins	
7/15	GMNWR	5	4ad+1juv	S. Arena
7/20	Bolton Flats	2	S. Arena	
8/29	PI	1	N. Dowling	
Common Gallinule	7/2	S. Monomoy	6	ad S. Williams#
7/15	GMNWR	2	S. Arena	
7/20	Bolton Flats	1	S. Arena	
8/10-8/11	PI	1	J. Smith + v.o.	
8/13-8/17	Westport	1	ad	E. Lipton + v.o.
Sandhill Crane	7/1-7/4	Belchertown	1	L. Therrien + v.o.
7/1-7/27	Worthington	3	1pr+1juv	S. Surner + v.o.
7/3-8/26	Burrage Pd	WMA3	1pr+1juv	J. Re + v.o.
8/13	New Marlboro	3	1pr+1juv	C. Blake
American Oystercatcher	8/3	Nantucket	1	S. Kardell
7/5	Nantucket	17	B. Foehring	
7/5	S. Dart. (APd)	12	L. Waters	
7/10	Cohasset	3	M. Iliff	
7/30	BHI (Deer I.)	5	2ad+3juv	K. Dangerin
8/5	Monomoy NWR	60	M. Iliff#	
8/11	Edgartown	20	T. Brew	
8/24	Winthrop	25	P. Peterson	
Black-bellied Plover	8/11	Monomoy NWR	440	S. Williams#
8/14	PI	300	T. Wetmore	
8/21	Winthrop	135	P. Peterson	
American Golden-Plover	8/13-8/15	Newbury	1	J. Carroll + v.o.
8/15-8/21	PI	1	T. Wetmore + v.o.	
8/15	Nbpt	1	J. Hoye#	
8/18	Winthrop	1	S. Jones#	
8/19	P'town (RP)	1	B. Nikula#	
8/26-8/27	Revere (POP)	1	S. Jones#	
Common Ringed Plover	8/19	S. Monomoy	1	ad m ph au S. Williams#
Semipalmated Plover	8/8	Plymouth B.	550	L. Schibley
8/11	Monomoy NWR	690	S. Williams#	
8/20	PI	2600	T. Wetmore	
Piping Plover	7/6	Revere B.	12	5ad+7yg R. Stymeist
7/7-7/27	Plymouth B.	21	P. Peterson + v.o.	
7/23	Ipswich (CB)	27	J. Berry	
7/31	PI	32	R. Heil	
8/1	Chatham (SB)	47	F. Grenon	
Killdeer	7/17	PI	30	T. Wetmore
8/4	Wachusett Res.	36	M. Lynch#	
8/18	Newbury	89	P. + F. Vale	
Upland Sandpiper	8/23	N. Monomoy	1	O. Moss#
8/23	Leicester	1	M. Lynch#	
Whimbrel	7/15	Duxbury B.	1	R. Bowes
7/20, 8/2	WBWS	65,70	J. Wagner, B. Winger	
7/23	PI	5	R. Heil	

Whimbrel (continued)			
7/27	Plymouth B.	2	S. Zende#
8/4	Westport	13	H. Zimberlin
8/1	E. Boston (BI)	4	S. Jones
8/13	Munson Canyon	30	S. Haas#
8/25	Monomoy NWR	22	B. Lagasse
Hudsonian Godwit			
7/12, 8/24	PI	2,1	D. Prima + v.o.
8/11	Monomoy NWR	12	S. Williams#
8/19	Revere (POP)	2	S. Jones#
8/24	Westport	3	P. Champlin
Marbled Godwit			
7/27-8/5	PI	1	S. Sullivan + v.o.
8/11	Monomoy NWR	1	S. Williams#
8/20-8/31	Winthrop	2	T. Bradford + v.o.
8/23	Plymouth	1	C. Abbott#
Ruddy Turnstone			
8/8	Plymouth B.	12	L. Schibley
8/11	Monomoy NWR	215	S. Williams#
8/11	PI	11	T. Wetmore
8/12	Rockport (AP)	19	D. Walters
8/18	Winthrop	16	S. Jones#
8/19	Westport	16	M. Lynch#
Red Knot			
7/27	Plymouth B.	6	S. Zende#
8/2	Essex	8	M. Brengle
8/6	Westport	4	A. Morgan
8/11	Monomoy NWR	425	S. Williams#
8/17	Ipswich	8	J. Berry
8/29	PI	5	MAS (D. Moon)
Stilt Sandpiper			
7/31	S. Monomoy	14	S. Williams#
8/5	PI	20	J. Keeley
Sanderling			
7/31	PI	127	R. Heil
8/8	Plymouth B.	750	L. Schibley
8/11	Chatham (SB)	550	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)
8/17	Ipswich	150	J. Berry
8/26	Revere (POP)	225	S. Jones#
Dunlin			
7/15	Duxbury B.	44	R. Bowes
8/4	Westport	4	A. Morgan
8/11	Chatham (SB)	3	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)
Baird's Sandpiper			
8/23	Rockport (AP)	1	R. Heil
8/29-8/31	PI	3	S. Grinley + v.o.
Little Stint			
7/31	S. Monomoy	1 ad ph	S. Williams#
Least Sandpiper			
7/15	Duxbury B.	62	R. Bowes
7/23	Westport	19	M. Lynch#
7/31	PI	185 ad	R. Heil
White-rumped Sandpiper			
8/5	Quincy	7	D. Burton#
8/18	PI	35	N. Dowling, M. Sovay
8/19	Essex	18	D. Brown
8/19	E. Boston (BI)	4	J. Forbes
8/23	N. Monomoy	25	O. Moss#
8/24	Nbpt H.	28	S. Grinley#
Buff-breasted Sandpiper			
8/10-8/31	PI	2 max	J. Smith + v.o.
8/23	Hatfield	1	L. Therrien
Pectoral Sandpiper			
7/22	Hadley	3	L. Therrien
7/28	PI	11	T. Wetmore
8/29	Cumb. Farms	4	J. Sweeney
Semipalmated Sandpiper			
7/27	Plymouth B.	770	S. Zende#
7/28	Squantum	600	SSBC (J. Bock)
7/30	Revere (POP)	492	M. Hall
8/7	PI	5400 ad	R. Heil
8/11	Monomoy NWR	2340	S. Williams#
8/19	Essex	750	D. Brown
Western Sandpiper			
7/19	S. Monomoy	1	S. Williams#
8/19	Revere (POP)	1	S. Jones#
8/24	Nbpt H.	1	S. Grinley#
8/27-8/30	PI	1	D. Adrien + v.o.
Short-billed Dowitcher			
7/26	PI	332	T. Wetmore
7/28	Fairhaven	25	N. Marchessault
7/28	E. Boston (BI)	17	P. Peterson
8/11	Monomoy NWR	965	S. Williams#
Short-billed Dowitcher (hendersoni)			
7/11, 8/31	PI	2,3	R. Heil, J. Berry#
7/21	Orleans	2	M. Eckerson
8/5, 8/19	Monomoy NWR	3,1	L. Waters, M. Iliff#
Long-billed Dowitcher			
8/7	PI	4 ad	R. Heil
8/17-8/20	Quincy	1	J. Bock + v.o.
American Woodcock			
7/1	PI	4 1ad+3juv	K. Seymour#
7/5	Waltham	2	J. Forbes
Wilson's Snipe			
7/7	Windsor	1	M. Lynch#
8/26	PI	1	N. Landry
Spotted Sandpiper			
7/8	Westport	8	M. Eckerson#
7/31	PI	8	T. Wetmore
8/11	Rockport (AP)	7	R. Heil
8/13	Plymouth	4	W. Lackey
8/26	Winchendon	4	M. Lynch#
Solitary Sandpiper			
8/3	Sterling	4	R. Jenkins
8/9	Ipswich	2	J. Berry
8/10-8/30	PI	2	R. Murphy + v.o.
8/16	Lancaster	16	M. Lynch#
8/25	Groton	5	J. Forbes
Lesser Yellowlegs			
7/31	S. Monomoy	61	S. Williams#
8/1	Nbpt H.	30	MAS (D. Moon)
8/15	E. Boston (BI)	18	P. Peterson
8/24	PI	41	J. Berry#
Willet			
7/2	PI	63 ad	R. Heil
7/15	Duxbury B.	117	R. Bowes
7/19	S. Monomoy	127	S. Williams#
7/29	Nantucket	150	L. Dunn
Willet (Western)			
8/11	Monomoy NWR	6	S. Williams#
8/17	P'town (RP)	2	B. Nikula
8/29	PI	1	N. Dowling
Greater Yellowlegs			
8/11	Monomoy NWR	174	S. Williams#
8/16	PI	80	T. Wetmore
8/19	Westport	12	M. Lynch#
Wilson's Phalarope			
8/15-8/16	PI	1 ph	M. Goetschkes + v.o.
Red-necked Phalarope			
7/24	Plymouth waters	5	L. Schibley
8/12	P'town (RP)	1	B. Nikula#
8/25-8/26	S. of Nantucket	979	BBC Pelagic
Red Phalarope			
8/25-8/26	S. of Nantucket	6	BBC Pelagic
South Polar Skua			
7/28	Georges Bank	2	Ethan M.
8/25-8/26	S. of Nantucket	4 ph	BBC Pelagic
skua sp.			
7/4	Westport	1	M. Iliff
Pomarine Jaeger			
7/4	Westport	1	M. Iliff
7/24	Plymouth waters	1	L. Schibley
8/26	S.E. of Nantucket	1	BBC Pelagic
Parasitic Jaeger			
7/22	P'town (RP)	2	B. Nikula
7/27-7/29	Westport	5	J. Eckerson + v.o.

White-faced Storm-Petrel				7/14	Sandisfield	15	M. Lynch#
7/30	SE. of Nantucket	1	S. Haas	7/15	Quabog IBA	11 4ad+7yg	M. Lynch#
8/13	Munson Canyon	2 ph	S. Haas#	7/29	PI	20	T. Wetmore
8/25-8/26	S. of Nantucket	25 ph	BBC Pelagic	8/2-8/31	Everett	10 max	R. Stymeist
Leach's Storm-Petrel				Great Egret			
7/21	E. of Chatham	1	P. Flood#	7/7	Hanson	10	R. Stymeist#
7/30	SE. of Nantucket	16	S. Haas	8/5	PI	85	T. Wetmore
8/13	Munson Canyon	15	S. Haas#	8/10	Barnstable	166	L. Waters#
8/13	Gloucester Waters	1	J. Smith	8/19	Westport	96	M. Lynch#
8/25-8/26	S. of Nantucket	82	BBC Pelagic	8/21	Revere	14	P. + F. Vale
Band-rumped Storm-Petrel				8/30	Ipswich	140	J. Berry
8/25-8/26	S. of Nantucket	17 ph	BBC Pelagic	Snowy Egret			
Masked Booby				8/7	PI	231	R. Heil
8/13	Munson Canyon	1 ph	S. Haas#	8/10	Barnstable	235	L. Waters#
Brown Booby				8/15	E. Boston (BI)	39	P. Peterson
8/6-8/9	Chilmark	1 ad ph	v.o.	8/19	Essex	43	D. Brown
8/14	Georges Bank	1 ad ph	S. Haas	Little Blue Heron			
8/17-8/20	Pittsfield (Onota)	1 imm ph	R. Wendell + v.o.	7/12	Nantucket	2	S. Fea
8/19	P'town (RP)	1 imm ph	P. Flood#	8/5-8/11	PI	1	R. Lockwood + v.o.
Northern Gannet				8/10-8/13	Barnstable	1	L. Waters#
8/11	Rockport (AP)	229	R. Heil	8/19	Westport	1 imm	M. Lynch#
8/19	P'town (RP)	155	B. Nikula#	8/23	E. Boston (BI)	1	M. Mulqueen
Double-crested Cormorant				8/25	Cape Ann	4 3ad+1imm	B. Harris
7/16	Rockport (Milk I.)	820	J. Berry#	8/31	Eastham	1	K. Schopp
8/1-8/31	Everett	215 max	R. Stymeist	Tricolored Heron			
8/11	Chatham (SB)	2500	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)	7/2-7/10	W. Dennis	1 ad	J. Bock#
8/16	Wachusett Res.	37	M. Lynch#	7/18-7/23	Chatham	1	J. Hoye# + v.o.
8/19	Westport	152	M. Lynch#	Green Heron			
Great Cormorant				7/18	Concord	20	P. Peterson
thr	Westport	2 max	J. Eckerson + v.o.	8/2	Longmeadow	5	J. Forbes
7/14	Manomet	1	W. Lackey	8/10	Barnstable	7	L. Waters#
7/15-7/29	Mattapoisett	1	N. Marchessault + v.o.	8/12	Fairhaven	7	C. Longworth
8/12	PI	1	D. Bates	8/19-8/24	Belchertown	33	L. Therrien
8/17-8/23	Rockport (AP)	1	R. Heil	Black-crowned Night-Heron			
Brown Pelican				7/26	PI	35	D. Adrien
7/29	Eastham/Truro	1	T. Spahr	8/10	Barnstable	43	L. Waters#
American Bittern				8/30	Ipswich	31	J. Berry
7/1	Petersham	1	M. Lynch#	Yellow-crowned Night-Heron			
7/2, 7/31	S. Monomoy	1,1	S. Williams#	thr	Reports of indiv. from 6 locations		
7/7	Windsor	1	M. Lynch#	8/4-8/23	PI	2	T. Wetmore + v.o.
7/7	PI	1	S. Sullivan#	8/6	S. Dartmouth	1 ad+1juv	A. Morgan
7/8	Royalston	1	M. Lynch#	8/11	Barnstable	4 2juv+2Y	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)
7/20	Bolton Flats	1	S. Arena	8/19	Fairhaven	2	C. Longworth
8/23	N. Dighton	1	A. Eckerson	Glossy Ibis			
Least Bittern				7/8	Rowley	4	J. Berry
7/1	Lakeville	1	N. Marchessault	7/28	Concord	1	M. Sleder
7/5	PI	5	D. Adrien	7/28	E. Boston (BI)	1	P. Peterson
7/14	GMNWR	7	S. Arena	7/31	S. Monomoy	2	S. Williams#
7/20	Bolton Flats	4 2pr	S. Arena	8/2	PI	30	D. Adrien
7/27	DWWS	2	E. Dalton	8/8	Northboro	1	K. Keohane
Great Blue Heron				White-faced Ibis			
7/7	Hanson	11	R. Stymeist#	7/14	Manchester	1 ph	C. Kaynor

VULTURES THROUGH DICKCISSEL

A few dedicated hawk-watchers were stationed at Mount Wachusett in late August to welcome the first of the migrating hawks. Although few raptors are on the move during this period (the bulk of the Broad-winged Hawks typically appear almost a month later) two Northern Goshawks and 73 Broad winged Hawks were a satisfying introduction. Significantly out of season were at least four Snowy Owls that were found throughout July and August. The previous late date for this species was set at Logan Airport on July 7, 1990. This year probably also set a new record for Snowy owl viewing temperature: it was 98 degrees when a bird was spotted on August 29!

Breeding songbirds are still relatively active in early- to mid-July. For the past several years the South Shore Bird Club has conducted a Breeding Bird Survey at Quabbin Reservoir. This year the Club surveyed Gate 10 in Pelham on July 7 with some impressive numbers: 26

Veeries, 47 Ovenbirds, 20 Chestnut-sided and 22 Black-throated Green warblers, and 94 Red-eyed Vireos. The latter is the most abundant vireo in the state. In July, Mark Lynch counted 174 Red-eyed Vireos in Petersham, 141 in Sandisfield, and 131 in Royalston. Some of the more interesting breeding records this year included: a pair of **Red-headed Woodpeckers** in Manomet that fledged three young; and Blue Grosbeaks that successfully nested for the second year in a row at the Crane Wildlife Management Area in Falmouth. Purple Martins had another great year with 295 young fledged on Cape Cod. Mary Keleher reported 178 fledged from Mashpee alone, a significant increase from the 17 that fledged in 2008 when she first started working on Purple Martin conservation.

Fall migration is hard to miss in August when tens of thousands of Tree Swallows gather along our coasts. On Plum Island an estimated 150,000 Tree Swallows were noted on August 7. Some of the last migrants to arrive in the spring are the first to return south in the fall. Olive-sided and Yellow-bellied flycatchers share that distinction. Other early arrivals included a Canada Warbler on August 14, a Philadelphia Vireo on August 21, and a Swainson's Thrush on August 23. During this period a total of 29 warbler species were recorded, with the most notable being a **Townsend's Warbler** photographed on Nantucket on August 24. Other rarities during this period included a **Western Kingbird** at Gooseberry Neck in Westport (only the fifth August record for the state) and a **Yellow-headed Blackbird** also from Westport.

This year's Winter Finch Forecast, prepared annually by Ron Pittaway of the Ontario Field Ornithologists, predicts an irruption year in the east for winter finches. But we don't have to wait for the winter; we're already seeing the fallout of a poor seed crop in the boreal forests with increased numbers of Red-breasted Nuthatches showing up in late July. Purple Finches were also being reported in good numbers at the end of August, and as this report goes to print, Pine Siskins are starting to show up at feeders throughout the state. Red Crossbills were noted in several locations, mostly from Berkshire County in early July.

R. Stymeist

Black Vulture				Northern Goshawk			
7/4-7/21	Nahant	1	C. Dalton + v.o.	7/22	Belchertown	1 ad	L. Therrien
7/5	Wrentham	2	J. Bock	8/28	Winchendon	1 ad	M. Lynch#
7/31	Carver	1	D. Furbish	8/31	Mt Wachusett	2	R. Chase#
8/30	Mt Wachusett	1	Hawkcount (R. Chase)	Red-shouldered Hawk			
Turkey Vulture				7/9	Petersham	2	M. Lynch#
7/1	Barre	46	M. Lynch#	7/14	Sandisfield	3	M. Lynch#
8/18	PI	12	P. + F. Vale	8/17	N. Dighton	2	J. Eckerson
Osprey				8/21-8/23	PI	2 imm	T. Wetmore
7/10	E. Boston (BI)	6	DCR (S. Riley)	8/23	ONWR	2	T. Swain#
8/19	Westport	52	M. Lynch#	Broad-winged Hawk			
8/20-8/31	Mt Wachusett	12	Hawkcount (R. Chase)	7/7	Quabbin (G10)	5	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)
8/26	PI	18	I. Parsons	7/7	Windsor	3	M. Lynch#
Bald Eagle				7/8	Royalston	3	M. Lynch#
8/1-8/20	Milton	4	L. Meyer	8/18	Boston	2	J. Offermann
8/5	Quabog IBA	2	M. Lynch#	8/20-8/31	Mt Wachusett	73	Hawkcount (R. Chase)
8/18	Pittsfield (Onota)	2	1ad+1imm	8/26	Winchendon	3	M. Lynch#
8/20	Quabbin (G8)	3	1ad+2imm	Barn Owl			
8/20	PI	2	imm	8/16	Nantucket	3	G. Andrews
8/27	Mt Wachusett	2	Hawkcount (R. Chase)	Eastern Screech-Owl			
Northern Harrier				8/21	MtA	2	R. Stymeist#
7/15	Duxbury B.	1	R. Bowes	8/25	Cape Ann	4	B. Harris
7/19	S. Monomoy	6	S. Williams#	Great Horned Owl			
7/31	DWWS	1	A. Kneidel	7/16	Hingham (WE)	2	juv
8/14	Wayland	1	J. Forbes	7/19	Essex	2	P. Brown
8/14	Burrage Pd WMA	1	E. Vaccchino	7/24	Belchertown	2	juv
8/24-8/26	PI	3	T. Wetmore +v.o.	7/27	DWWS	2	L. Schibley
Sharp-shinned Hawk				Snowy Owl			
thr	Reports of indiv. from	11	locations	thr-8/21	Nbpt	1	ph
7/12	Sharon	3	1pr+1juv	7/10-7/12	Nantucket	1	ph
8/20	Mt Wachusett	6	Hawkcount (R. Chase)	7/19	Wellfleet	1	ph
Cooper's Hawk				8/21-8/29	S. Monomoy	1	ph
thr	Reports of indiv. from	5	locations				

Barred Owl				Western Kingbird				
7/10	Medford	3	1ad+2juv	R. Stymeist	8/28	Westport	1 ph	M. Iliff
7/21	Wachusett Res.	2		K. Bourinot	Eastern Kingbird			
8/23	N. Dighton	10		A. Eckerson	7/20	Bolton Flats	30	S. Arena
Northern Saw-whet Owl					7/28	Quabog IBA	39	M. Lynch#
8/20	Medfield	1		J. Bock	8/17	Sudbury	25	J. Forbes
8/29	Westminster	2		C. Caron	8/21	PI	34	M. Sabourin
Belted Kingfisher					White-eyed Vireo			
7/20	Bolton Flats7	3ad+4yg		S. Arena	7/21	Westport	1	J. Forbes
7/26	Belchertown	6		L. Therrien	7/23	Acoaxet	2	M. Lynch#
Red-headed Woodpecker					Yellow-throated Vireo			
8/thr	Ipswich	1	ad	J. Berry#	7/4	Hardwick	10	M. Lynch#
8/15-8/31	Manomet	5	2ad+3juv	L.Schibley + v.o.	7/14	Sandisfield	3	M. Lynch#
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker					7/30	Boxford	2 m	J. Berry#
7/7	Windsor	16		M. Lynch#	8/27	Quabbin Pk	8	L. Therrien
7/7	New Salem	8		L. Therrien	Blue-headed Vireo			
7/7	Quabbin (G10)	8	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)		7/1	Sudbury	4	J. Forbes
7/9	Petersham	13		M. Lynch#	7/7	Windsor	16	M. Lynch#
Hairy Woodpecker					7/8	Royalston	13	M. Lynch#
8/25	Ware R. IBA	10		M. Lynch#	Philadelphia Vireo			
Northern Flicker					8/21	Cambridge	1	K. Hartel
7/7	Windsor	7		M. Lynch#	8/31	Athol	2	G. d'Entremont, E. LeBlanc
7/15	Lexington (DM)	7		C. Cook	8/31	Scituate	1	S. Avery#
Pileated Woodpecker					Warbling Vireo			
7/7	Windsor	3		M. Lynch#	7/4	Hardwick	9	M. Lynch#
8/6	Ipswich	2	1pr	J. Berry#	7/15	Quabog IBA	15	M. Lynch#
8/11	GMNWR	3		J. Forbes	Red-eyed Vireo			
8/27	Quabbin Pk	3		L. Therrien	7/1	Petersham	174	M. Lynch#
American Kestrel					7/7	Quabbin (G10)	94	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)
7/10	E. Boston (BI)	2		DCR (S. Riley)	7/8	Royalston	133	M. Lynch#
8/18	Athol	5		B. Lafley	7/14	Sandisfield	141	M. Lynch#
8/20	New Salem	2		D. Small	Fish Crow			
8/31	Orange	2	f	G. d'Entremont#	7/2	Ipswich	2	J. Berry#
Merlin					7/6	Stoughton	4	G. d'Entremont
thr	Reports of indiv. from 8 locations				8/5	Quabog IBA	4	M. Lynch#
8/20	PI	2		D. Adrien	Common Raven			
Peregrine Falcon					7/1	Belchertown	6	L. Therrien
thr	Reports of indiv. from 16 locations				7/7	Windsor	10	M. Lynch#
7/6	Brockton	2		M. Shave	7/30-8/31	Newbury	5	1pr+3juv P.+F. Vale + v.o.
8/11-8/24	PI	3		N. Landry + v.o.	8/10-8/21	PI	2	T. Wetmore + v.o.
8/14	Everett	2		T. + D. Swain	8/19	P'town (RP)	4	B. Nikula#
Olive-sided Flycatcher					8/26	Medford	4	J. Forbes
8/12	ONWR	1		S. Miller#	Horned Lark			
8/25	Ware R. IBA	1		M. Lynch#	7/7-7/27	Plymouth B.	1	P. Peterson + v.o.
Eastern Wood-Pewee					8/7	Duxbury B.	1	W. Lackey
7/1	Petersham	27		M. Lynch#	8/11	Chatham (SB)	3	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)
7/17	Ipswich	10		J. Berry#	Purple Martin			
8/25	Quabbin Pk	18		L. Therrien	2018	Mashpee	178	yg M. Keleher
8/25	Ware R. IBA	13		M. Lynch#	2018	PI	90	yg S. McGrath
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher					2018	Salisbury	4	yg S. McGrath
8/24	Westboro	1		T. Spahr	7/20	Norfolk	28	P. Peterson
8/28	Lenox	1		J. Pierce	7/31	DWWS	18	L. Schibley
Acadian Flycatcher					8/28	Rockport (AP)	1	R. Heil
7/2-8/1	Quabbin (G8)	2	max	L. Therrien, M. Lynch#	Tree Swallow			
7/4	Fall River	1		R. Doherty#	7/8	Rowley	500	J. Berry
Alder Flycatcher					8/2	Essex	1400	M. Brengle
7/7	Windsor	11		M. Lynch#	8/7	PI	150,000	R. Heil
7/7	New Salem	2		L. Therrien	8/13	Newbury	1500	J. Carroll + v.o.
7/29	Sandisfield	6		M. Lynch#	8/19	S. Monomoy	5000	S. Williams#
8/14	Concord	2		J. Keyes	Northern Rough-winged Swallow			
Willow Flycatcher					7/3	Fairhaven	18	B. King
7/8	Rowley	5		J. Berry	7/4	Wakefield	3	P. + F. Vale
7/16	PI	13		T. Wetmore	7/10	Wachusett Res.	8	M. Lynch#
7/28	Quabog IBA	9		M. Lynch#	7/19	PI	3	T. Wetmore
Least Flycatcher					Bank Swallow			
7/1	Petersham	14		M. Lynch#	7/7	Plymouth B.	12	P. Peterson
7/7	New Salem	7		L. Therrien	7/17	Westport	18	L. Waters#
Great Crested Flycatcher					7/20	Bolton Flats	8	S. Arena
7/15	Quabog IBA	3		M. Lynch#	7/23	Ipswich (CB)	8	J. Berry
7/21	Wompatuck SP	6		G. d'Entremont#	7/31	PI	125	R. Heil
7/31-8/6	PI	3		T. Wetmore, S. Miller	8/2	Longmeadow	20	J. Forbes

Cliff Swallow	7/7-8/5	PI	15	max M. Watson+v.o.	Brown Thrasher	7/1	Barre	1	M. Lynch#
	7/19	Westport	3	M. Eckerson#		7/2, 8/30	PI	5,5	R. Heil, T. Bradford#
	8/5	Quabog IBA	1	M. Lynch#		7/29	MSSF	1	G. d'Entremont#
	8/24	Concord	2	T. Swain	Cedar Waxwing	7/28	PI	48	J. Berry#
Barn Swallow	7/23	Westport	120	M. Lynch#		8/18	Cheshire	41	M. Lynch#
	7/28	Quabog IBA	100	M. Lynch#		8/25	Ware R. IBA	23	M. Lynch#
	8/16	PI	500	D. Walters		8/26	Lexington (DM)	84	C. Cook
Red-breasted Nuthatch	7/7	Windsor	11	M. Lynch#	American Pipit	7/12	Wellfleet	1	K. Burke
	7/29	MSSF	11	G. d'Entremont#		8/19	Cumb. Farms	2	D. Furbish
	8/24	PI	5	J. Berry#	Purple Finch	7/1	PI	8	T. Wetmore
	8/25	Ware R. IBA	28	M. Lynch#		7/7	Windsor	11	M. Lynch#
	8/28	Rockport (AP)	14	R. Heil		7/8	Royalston	5	M. Lynch#
Brown Creeper	7/1	Petersham	3	M. Lynch#	Red Crossbill	7/1	Mount Greylock	2	T. Auer
	7/6	Stoughton	4	2ad+2yg		7/7	New Salem 8 Type 1,2		L. Therrien
	7/21	Wompatuck SP	3	G. d'Entremont		7/7	Windsor	2	M. Lynch#
House Wren	7/4	Hardwick	15	M. Lynch#		8/1	Pepperell	3	M. Resch
	7/15	Quabog IBA	21	M. Lynch#		8/26-8/30	Sharon 4 max Type 1		V. Zollo# + v.o.
	7/19	Hamilton	6	J. Berry		8/31	Concord	3	W. Hutcheson
Winter Wren	7/1	Petersham	7	M. Lynch#	Eastern Towhee	7/3	Hamilton	9	J. Berry
	7/7	Windsor	7	M. Lynch#		7/16	Quabbin	44	M. Lynch#
	7/30	Boxford	2	m		7/22	PI	20	T. Wetmore
Marsh Wren	7/7	Hanson	8	R. Stymeist#		7/29	MSSF	29	G. d'Entremont#
	7/15	GMNWR	48	S. Arena	Chipping Sparrow	7/2	PI	4	P. Brown
	7/28	Quabog IBA	16	M. Lynch#		8/17	N. Dighton	36	J. Eckerson
	8/16	PI	25	D. Walters		8/25	Dover	150	J. Bock#
Carolina Wren	7/23	Acoaxet	5	M. Lynch#	Field Sparrow	7/3	Hamilton	2	J. Berry
	8/11	PI	3	T. Wetmore		7/9	Petersham	5	M. Lynch#
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	7/1	Petersham	5	M. Lynch#		7/11	PI	6	T. Wetmore
	7/21	Wompatuck SP	4	G. d'Entremont		7/15	Quabog IBA	3	M. Lynch#
	7/30	Boxford	5	1pr+3yg		8/14	Concord	5	J. Keyes
Golden-crowned Kinglet	7/4	Mt Watatic	1	B. Lafley	Lark Sparrow	8/24-8/31	Westport	1	immPChamplin+v.o.
	7/7	New Salem	4	L. Therrien		8/25	Dover	1	J. Bock#
Eastern Bluebird	7/7	Windsor	4	M. Lynch#		8/26	Sandwich	1	ph A. Eckerson
	7/28	Quabog IBA	5	M. Lynch#	Savannah Sparrow	7/4	Hardwick	10	M. Lynch#
	8/10	Hamilton	8	J. Berry		7/7	Windsor	11	M. Lynch#
Veery	7/7	Windsor	36	M. Lynch#		8/23	Leicester	6	M. Lynch#
	7/7	Quabbin (G10)	26	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)	Grasshopper Sparrow	7/14	Falmouth	16	K. Fiske
	7/7	New Salem	19	L. Therrien		8/19	Marlborough	2	nfc T. Spahr
	7/9	Petersham	53	M. Lynch#	Saltmarsh Sparrow	7/5	S. Dart. (APd)	98	L. Waters
	8/23	N. Dighton	21	nfc		7/12	PI	51	R. Heil
Swainson's Thrush	7/3	Essex	1	nfc		7/15	Mattapoiset	8	N. Marchessault
	8/23	Marlborough	1	nfc		7/20	Ipswich	8	J. Berry
	8/23	ONWR	1	T. Swain#		8/1	Fairhaven	16	L. Waters
Hermit Thrush	7/1	Petersham	23	M. Lynch#		8/19	S. Monomoy	11	S. Williams#
	7/14	Sandisfield	16	M. Lynch#	Seaside Sparrow	7/5	S. Dart. (APd)	49	L. Waters
	7/16	Quabbin	8	7ad+1yg		7/7-7/15	PI	3	T. Wetmore + v.o.
	7/29	MSSF	4	G. d'Entremont#		7/8-7/27	Barnstable (SN)	1	P. Crosson#
Wood Thrush	7/3-7/24	Hamilton	3	J. Berry		8/20	WBWS	1	J. Wagner
	7/4	Hardwick	6	M. Lynch#		8/29	Eastham (FH)	2	G. Sheridan#
	7/7	Quabbin (G10)	6	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)	Swamp Sparrow	7/2-7/14	PI	3	R. Heil + v.o.
Gray Catbird	7/2	PI	40	R. Heil		7/14	Sandisfield	20	M. Lynch#
	7/15	Quabog IBA	73	M. Lynch#		7/15	GMNWR	33	S. Arena
	7/15	Lexington (DM)	32	C. Cook		7/28	Quabog IBA	61	M. Lynch#
	7/23	Acoaxet	29	M. Lynch#	White-throated Sparrow	7/7	Windsor	29	M. Lynch#
	8/16-8/31	MBO	102	b		8/3	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien

Dark-eyed Junco	8/25	Ware R. IBA	16	M. Lynch#
7/4-7/8 Mt Watatic	1	B. Lafley + v.o.		
7/7 Windsor	3	M. Lynch#		
8/31 Mt Wachusett	2	R. Chase#		
Yellow-breasted Chat	8/14-8/16	PI	1 ph	M. Watson
8/23 MBO	1 b imm	T.Lloyd-Evans#	1 ph	T. Bowen + v.o.
8/28 Rockport (AP)	1	R. Heil		
Yellow-headed Blackbird				
8/20-8/24 Westport	1	P. Champlin		
Bobolink				
7/8 PI	45	J. Smith		
7/20 Bolton Flats	34	S. Arena		
7/30 DFWS	38	MAS (P. Sowizral)		
8/16 GMNWR	30	A. Bragg#		
8/23 Leicester	50	M. Lynch#		
Eastern Meadowlark				
thr Falmouth	6 max	v.o.		
7/15 Westover WMA	4	J. Bourget#		
8/12 Essex	3	J. Kovner		
Orchard Oriole				
7/2 PI	4	T. Wetmore		
7/6 Falmouth	15	N. Marchessault		
7/7 Hamilton	5	J. Berry#		
8/17 W. Roxbury (MP)	4	M. McMahon		
Baltimore Oriole				
8/14 PI	20	S. Sullivan		
8/25 Quabbin Pk	15	L. Therrien		
8/28 Rockport (AP)	7	R. Heil		
Common Grackle				
7/21 Ware R. IBA	170	M. Lynch#		
7/23 Acoaxet	40	M. Lynch#		
8/24 Waltham	555	J. Forbes		
Ovenbird				
7/1 Petersham	97	M. Lynch#		
7/7 Quabbin (G10)	47	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)		
7/7 Windsor	41	M. Lynch#		
7/21 Wompatuck SP	13	G. d'Entremont#		
8/18 PI	2	N. Landry		
8/19 Marlborough	4 nfc	T. Spahr		
Worm-eating Warbler				
7/1 Petersham	1	M. Lynch#		
7/3-8/9 Sharon	3 max	V. Zollo		
7/31 Boston (FPk)	1	S. Baird		
Louisiana Waterthrush				
7/1 Groton	3	J. Forbes		
7/1 Petersham	3	M. Lynch#		
7/4 Hardwick	1	M. Lynch#		
7/7 Windsor	1	M. Lynch#		
8/3 Belchertown	1	L. Therrien		
8/12-8/14 Essex	1	M. Goetschkes#		
8/28 Wendell	1	M. Lynch#		
Northern Waterthrush				
7/21 Wompatuck SP	2	G. d'Entremont		
7/27 Westport	2	J. Eckerson#		
7/28 ONWR	2	J. Forbes		
8/19 Marlborough	3 nfc	T. Spahr		
Blue-winged Warbler				
7/24 Hamilton	1	J. Berry#		
8/1, 8/16 PI	1,1	S. Miller + v.o.		
8/16 ONWR	1	M. Lynch#		
8/23 Westboro	1	T. Spahr		
8/24 Nantucket	1	E. Caune		
8/26 Mt Wachusett	5	R. Quimby		
Lawrence's Warbler (Blue-winged x Golden-winged hybrid)				
7/5 S. Dart. (APd)	1 ph	L. Waters. A. Eckerson		
7/5 Waltham	1 ph	J. Forbes		
8/25-8/27 MNWS	1 ph	D. Noble#		
Black-and-white Warbler				
7/7 New Salem	7	L. Therrien		
7/21 Wompatuck SP	4	G. d'Entremont		
7/29 Sandisfield	9	M. Lynch#		
8/3 Quabbin Pk	14	L. Therrien		
	8/25	Arlington Res.	2	K. Hartel
Prothonotary Warbler				
	7/14	WBWS	1 ph	M. Watson
	8/14-8/16	PI	1 ph	T. Bowen + v.o.
Tennessee Warbler				
	7/28	ONWR	1	J. Forbes
	8/24	Carlisle	1	T. Swain
	8/24	Westboro	1	T. Spahr
Nashville Warbler				
	7/15	DFWS	1	C. Schlotterbeck
	8/16	PI	3	S. Jones#
	8/25	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien
	8/30	GMNWR	1	K. Dia#
Connecticut Warbler				
	8/29	MBO	1	T. Lloyd-Evans
Mourning Warbler				
	8/23	Marlborough	3 nfc	T. Spahr
	8/25	PI	2	immG.d'Entremont#
	8/25	Belmont	1	J. Layman
	8/28	MBO	1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#
	8/29	Rockport (AP)	1	R. Heil
Common Yellowthroat				
	7/1	Petersham	64	M. Lynch#
	7/1	PI	25	M. McCarthy
	7/7	Windsor	66	M. Lynch#
	7/15	Quabog IBA	52	M. Lynch#
	7/15	Lexington (DM)	27	C. Cook
	7/16	Quabbin	28	M. Lynch#
	8/24	Carlisle	30	T. Swain
Hooded Warbler				
	7/11-7/15	MSSF	1	N. Marchessault + v.o.
	8/28	MBO	1	imm f b T.Lloyd-Evans#
	8/30	Wellfleet	1 ph	S. Sullivan#
American Redstart				
	7/1	Petersham	13	M. Lynch#
	7/4	Hardwick	7	M. Lynch#
	7/29	Sandisfield	11	M. Lynch#
Cape May Warbler				
	8/25	Cape Ann	3	B. Harris
	8/25	Ware R. IBA	2	M. Lynch#
	8/27	Quabbin Pk	1	L. Therrien
	8/28	Waltham	1	R. Doherty
	8/31	PI	2	T. Wetmore
	8/31	Athol	1	E. LeBlanc
Northern Parula				
	7/3	Medfield	1	J. Bock
	7/23	Belchertown	1	A. Hulsey
	8/19	Marlborough	1 nfc	T. Spahr
	8/21	Newton	1	C. Dalton
	8/21	Wellesley	1	C. Caron
	8/23-8/26	Westboro	1	T. Spahr + v.o.
	8/24	Waltham	1	R. Doherty
	8/24	Concord	1	T. Swain
	8/28	Waltham	2	R. Doherty
Magnolia Warbler				
	7/7	New Salem	4	L. Therrien
	7/7	Windsor	2	M. Lynch#
	7/9	Petersham	2	M. Lynch#
	7/14	Sandisfield	3	M. Lynch#
	8/27	MBO	1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#
Bay-breasted Warbler				
	8/21, 8/31	PI	1,1	T. Wetmore#, P. + F. Vale
Blackburnian Warbler				
	7/1	Petersham	5	M. Lynch#
	7/7	Windsor	7	M. Lynch#
	7/7	New Salem	7	L. Therrien
	7/7	Quabbin (G10)	3	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)
	7/14	Sandisfield	5	M. Lynch#
Yellow Warbler				
	7/4	Hardwick	21	M. Lynch#
	7/27	Westport	40	J. Eckerson#
	8/16	PI	31	D. Walters

Chestnut-sided Warbler				Canada Warbler			
7/1 Petersham	33		M. Lynch#	7/1 Petersham	3		M. Lynch#
7/7 Windsor	29		M. Lynch#	7/4 Hardwick	2		M. Lynch#
7/7 Quabbin (G10)	20	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)		7/7 Windsor	2		M. Lynch#
7/14 Sandisfield	24		M. Lynch#	8/14 PI	2		A. Stack#
Black-throated Blue Warbler				Wilson's Warbler			
7/7 Quabbin (G10)	22	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)		7/23 Carver	1		D. Furbish
7/7 Windsor	15		M. Lynch#	8/26 MNWS	1		A. Sanford
7/7 New Salem	6		L. Therrien	8/28 Rockport (AP)	1		R. Heil
7/14 Sandisfield	13		M. Lynch#	Scarlet Tanager			
Pine Warbler				7/1 Petersham	19		M. Lynch#
7/7 Quabbin (G10)	14	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)		7/4 Hardwick	15		M. Lynch#
7/21 Wompatuck SP	12	G. d'Entremont#		7/7 Quabbin (G10)	16	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)	
8/25 Ware R. IBA	48		M. Lynch#	7/21 Wompatuck SP	10	G. d'Entremont#	
8/26 Winchendon	49		M. Lynch#	Rose-breasted Grosbeak			
Yellow-rumped Warbler				7/1 Petersham	8		M. Lynch#
7/7 Windsor	7		M. Lynch#	7/7 Quabbin (G10)	7	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)	
7/7 Quabbin (G10)	6	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)		8/16 PI	5		D. Walters
7/9 Petersham	6		M. Lynch#	8/26 Lexington (DM)	9		C. Cook
Prairie Warbler				Blue Grosbeak			
7/1 Petersham	7		M. Lynch#	7/2-8/25 Falmouth	4 max		v.o.
7/29 MSSF	4	G. d'Entremont#		Indigo Bunting			
8/16 PI	2		D. Walters	7/1 Petersham	12		M. Lynch#
8/23 ONWR	2		T. Swain#	7/4 Hardwick	21		M. Lynch#
8/26 Winchendon	2		M. Lynch#	7/7 Windsor	26		M. Lynch#
Townsend's Warbler				8/31 Northfield	6		G. d'Entremont#
8/24 Nantucket	1 ph		E. Caune	Dickcissel			
Black-throated Green Warbler				7/7-8/31 Reports of indiv. from 8 locations			
7/1 Petersham	20		M. Lynch#	7/7-8/24 N. Dighton	4 max	J. + M. Eckerson	
7/7 Quabbin (G10)	22	SSBC (G. d'Entremont)		8/17-8/28 Rockport (AP)	2		R. Heil
7/8 Royalston	28		M. Lynch#	8/25 Cape Ann	7		B. Harris
8/27 MBO	1 b	T. Lloyd-Evans#		8/31 Concord	2		W. Hutcheson

BYGONE BIRDS

Historical Highlights for July–August

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A **Curlew Sandpiper** was at Plum Island on August 11. A **Brown Booby** was spotted on Stellwagen Bank on July 7. It then hitched a ride to Boston Harbor, where it spent the night. A rare August **Swallow-tailed Kite** was photographed at Chappaquiddick on August 21. It was a good summer for **Sabine's Gulls** with one at Eastham on August 14 and three at Stellwagen Bank on August 26. At Chatham a banded **Sandwich Tern** was photographed on July 31. Passerine highlights included: a **Scissor-tailed Flycatcher** at Edgartown on July 8; a **Sedge Wren** singing through most of August in Hardwick; and a **Yellow-headed Blackbird** in Sandwich on July 28.

Best sighting: a **Pacific Golden Plover** photographed at Plymouth Beach on July 20 was the third record for the state.