



IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Buchanan County - 253 Species

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Date _____ Time _____ Locality _____ Sky _____ Wind _____ Temp _____

Observers _____ Total Species _____ Total Individuals _____

Ducks, Geese, Swans	Hummingbirds	Green Heron	Eastern Phoebe	Eastern Bluebird	Orchard Oriole
____ Snow Goose	____ Ruby-throated Hummingbird	____ Great Egret	____ Great Egret	____ Veery	____ Hooded Oriole
____ Ross's Goose		____ Western Cattle Egret	____ Bell's Vireo	____ Gray-cheeked Thrush	____ Baltimore Oriole
____ Greater White-fronted Goose		____ Great Blue Heron	____ Yellow-throated Vireo	____ Swainson's Thrush	____ Red-winged Blackbird
____ Cackling Goose		____ Sora	____ Blue-headed Vireo	____ Hermit Thrush	____ Brown-headed Cowbird
____ Canada Goose		____ American Coot	____ Philadelphia Vireo	____ Wood Thrush	____ Rusty Blackbird
____ Mute Swan		____ Sandhill Crane	____ Eastern Warbling Vireo	____ American Robin	____ Brewer's Blackbird
____ Trumpeter Swan		____ Lapwings and Plovers	____ Red-eyed Vireo	____ Varied Thrush	____ Common Grackle
____ Tundra Swan		____ Black-bellied Plover	____ Shrikes	____ Old World Sparrows	____ Wood-warblers
____ Wood Duck		____ American Golden-Plover	____ Loggerhead Shrike	____ House Sparrow	____ Ovenbird
____ Blue-winged Teal		____ Kildeer	____ Northern Shrike	____ Eurasian Tree Sparrow	____ Louisiana Waterthrush
____ Northern Shoveler		____ Semipalmented Plover	____ Jays, Magpies, Crows	____ Pipits	____ Northern Waterthrush
____ Gadwall		____ Piping Plover	____ Blue Jay	____ American Pipit	____ Golden-winged Warbler
____ American Wigeon		____ Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and Allies	____ American Crow	____ Finches	____ Blue-winged Warbler
____ Mallard		____ Upland Sandpiper	____ Chickadees, Titmice	____ House Finch	____ Black-and-white Warbler
____ Northern Pintail		____ Marbled Godwit	____ Black-capped Chickadee	____ Purple Finch	____ Prothonotary Warbler
____ Green-winged Teal		____ Ruddy Turnstone	____ Tufted Titmouse	____ Redpoll	____ Tennessee Warbler
____ Canvasback		____ Stilt Sandpiper	____ Larks	____ Red Crossbill	____ Orange-crowned Warbler
____ Redhead		____ Dunlin	____ Horned Lark	____ White-winged Crossbill	____ Nashville Warbler
____ Ring-necked Duck		____ Baird's Sandpiper	____ Swallows	____ Pine Siskin	____ Connecticut Warbler
____ Lesser Scaup		____ Least Sandpiper	____ Bank Swallow	____ American Goldfinch	____ Mourning Warbler
____ Bufflehead		____ White-rumped Sandpiper	____ Tree Swallow	____ Longspurs, Snow Bunting	____ Common Yellowthroat
____ Common Goldeneye		____ Buff-breasted Sandpiper	____ Northern Rough-winged Swallow	____ Lapland Longspur	____ American Redstart
____ Hooded Merganser		____ Pectoral Sandpiper	____ Purple Martin	____ Snow Bunting	____ Cape May Warbler
____ Common Merganser		____ Semipalmented Sandpiper	____ Barn Swallow	____ Towhees, Sparrows	____ Northern Parula
____ Red-breasted Merganser		____ Short-billed Dowitcher	____ Cliff Swallow	____ Grasshopper Sparrow	____ Magnolia Warbler
____ Ruddy Duck		____ Long-billed Dowitcher	____ Kinglets	____ Lark Sparrow	____ Bay-breasted Warbler
New World Quail		____ American Woodcock	____ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	____ Chipping Sparrow	____ Blackburnian Warbler
____ Northern Bobwhite		____ Wilson's Snipe	____ Golden-crowned Kinglet	____ Clay-colored Sparrow	____ Yellow Warbler
Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, and Old World Quail		____ Spotted Sandpiper	____ Waxwings	____ Field Sparrow	____ Chestnut-sided Warbler
____ Wild Turkey		____ Solitary Sandpiper	____ Bohemian Waxwing	____ Fox Sparrow	____ Blackpoll Warbler
____ Ruffed Grouse		____ Lesser Yellowlegs	____ Red-bellied Woodpecker	____ American Tree Sparrow	____ Black-throated Blue Warbler
____ Greater Prairie-Chicken		____ Willet	____ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	____ Dark-eyed Junco	____ Palm Warbler
____ Gray Partridge		____ Greater Yellowlegs	____ Downy Woodpecker	____ White-crowned Sparrow	____ Pine Warbler
____ Ring-necked Pheasant		____ Wilson's Phalarope	____ Hairy Woodpecker	____ Harris's Sparrow	____ Yellow-rumped Warbler
Grebes		Gulls, Terns, Skimmers	____ Northern Flicker	____ White-throated Sparrow	____ Yellow-throated Warbler
____ Pied-billed Grebe		____ Ring-billed Gull	____ Pileated Woodpecker	____ Vesper Sparrow	____ Black-throated Green Warbler
____ Horned Grebe		____ Caspian Tern	____ Caracaras and Falcons	____ LeConte's Sparrow	____ Canada Warbler
____ Eared Grebe		____ Black Tern	____ American Kestrel	____ Henslow's Sparrow	____ Wilson's Warbler
Pigeons, Doves		____ Forster's Tern	____ Merlin	____ Savannah Sparrow	____ Tanners, Cardinals, Grosbeaks, Buntings
____ Mourning Dove		Loons	____ Flycatchers	____ Song Sparrow	____ Summer Tanager
____ Eurasian Collared-Dove		____ Common Loon	____ Great Crested Flycatcher	____ Lincoln's Sparrow	____ Scarlet Tanager
____ Rock Pigeon		Cormorants	____ Eastern Kingbird	____ Swamp Sparrow	____ Northern Cardinal
Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis		____ Double-crested Cormorant	____ Olive-sided Flycatcher	____ Spotted Towhee	____ Rose-breasted Grosbeak
____ Yellow-billed Cuckoo		Pelicans	____ Eastern Wood-Pewee	____ Eastern Towhee	____ Blue Grosbeak
____ Black-billed Cuckoo		____ American White Pelican	____ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	____ Chats	____ Indigo Bunting
Goatsuckers		Bitterns, Herons, and Allies	____ Acadian Flycatcher	____ Yellow-breasted Chat	____ Dickcissel
____ Common Nighthawk		____ American Bittern	____ Alder Flycatcher	Blackbirds, Orioles	
____ Eastern Whip-poor-will		____ Black-crowned Night Heron	____ Willow Flycatcher	____ Yellow-headed Blackbird	
Swifts			____ Least Flycatcher	____ Bobolink	
____ Chimney Swift				____ Eastern Meadowlark	
				____ Western Meadowlark	

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