



IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Des Moines County - 312 Species

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

Observers _____ Total Species _____ Total Individuals _____

Ducks, Geese, Swans	<input type="checkbox"/> Groove-billed Ani	<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies	<input type="checkbox"/> Bell's Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Thrushes
<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Goose	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-billed Cuckoo	<input type="checkbox"/> Solitary Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Golden Eagle	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-throated Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Bluebird
<input type="checkbox"/> Ross's Goose	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-billed Cuckoo	<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Yellowlegs	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Harrier	<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-headed Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Veery
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater White-fronted Goose		<input type="checkbox"/> Willet	<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-shinned Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Gray-cheeked Thrush
<input type="checkbox"/> Cackling Goose	<input type="checkbox"/> Common Nighthawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Yellowlegs	<input type="checkbox"/> Cooper's Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Warbling Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's Thrush
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Whip-poor-will	<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Phalarope	<input type="checkbox"/> American Goshawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Hermit Thrush
<input type="checkbox"/> Mute Swan		<input type="checkbox"/> Red-necked Phalarope	<input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle	<input type="checkbox"/> Shrikes	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Thrush
<input type="checkbox"/> Trumpeter Swan	<input type="checkbox"/> Chimney Swift		<input type="checkbox"/> Mississippi Kite	<input type="checkbox"/> Loggerhead Shrike	<input type="checkbox"/> American Robin
<input type="checkbox"/> Tundra Swan		<input type="checkbox"/> Gulls, Terns, Skimmers	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-shouldered Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Shrike	<input type="checkbox"/> Old World Sparrows
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-throated Hummingbird	<input type="checkbox"/> Sabine's Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Broad-winged Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Jays, Magpies, Crows	<input type="checkbox"/> House Sparrow
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Teal		<input type="checkbox"/> Bonaparte's Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Blue Jay	<input type="checkbox"/> Eurasian Tree Sparrow
<input type="checkbox"/> Cinnamon Teal		<input type="checkbox"/> Laughing Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> American Crow	<input type="checkbox"/> Pipits
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Shoveler	<input type="checkbox"/> King Rail	<input type="checkbox"/> Franklin's Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Rough-legged Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Fish Crow	<input type="checkbox"/> American Pipit
<input type="checkbox"/> Gadwall	<input type="checkbox"/> Virginia Rail	<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed Gull			<input type="checkbox"/> Finches
<input type="checkbox"/> American Wigeon	<input type="checkbox"/> Sora	<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Barn Owls	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-capped Chickadee	<input type="checkbox"/> Evening Grosbeak
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard	<input type="checkbox"/> Common Gallinule	<input type="checkbox"/> American Herring Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> American Barn Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Tufted Titmouse	<input type="checkbox"/> House Finch
<input type="checkbox"/> American Black Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> American Coot	<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Black-backed Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Typical Owls	<input type="checkbox"/> Larks	<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Finch
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Pintail	<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Gallinule	<input type="checkbox"/> Glaucous Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Screech-Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Burrowing Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Redpoll
<input type="checkbox"/> Green-winged Teal	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Rail	<input type="checkbox"/> Least Tern	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Horned Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Barred Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Red Crossbill
<input type="checkbox"/> Canvasback	<input type="checkbox"/> Black Rail	<input type="checkbox"/> Caspian Tern	<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Long-eared Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged Crossbill
<input type="checkbox"/> Redhead		<input type="checkbox"/> Black Tern	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Saw-whet Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Rough-winged Swallow	<input type="checkbox"/> Pine Siskin
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandhill Crane	<input type="checkbox"/> Common Tern		<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Martin	<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Goldfinch
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Scaup	<input type="checkbox"/> Stilts and Avocets	<input type="checkbox"/> Forster's Tern	<input type="checkbox"/> Kingfishers	<input type="checkbox"/> American Goldfinch	<input type="checkbox"/> American Goldfinch
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Scaup	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-necked Stilt	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-throated Loon	<input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher	<input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow	<input type="checkbox"/> Longspurs, Snow Bunting
<input type="checkbox"/> Surf Scoter	<input type="checkbox"/> American Avocet	<input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Loon	<input type="checkbox"/> Woodpeckers	<input type="checkbox"/> Cliff Swallow	<input type="checkbox"/> Lapland Longspur
<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged Scoter	<input type="checkbox"/> Lapwings and Plovers	<input type="checkbox"/> Common Loon	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-headed Woodpecker	<input type="checkbox"/> Kinglets	<input type="checkbox"/> Smith's Longspur
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Scoter	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-bellied Plover		<input type="checkbox"/> Red-bellied Woodpecker	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-crowned Kinglet	<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Bunting
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-tailed Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> American Golden-Plover	<input type="checkbox"/> Frigatebirds	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-crowned Kinglet	<input type="checkbox"/> Towhees, Sparrows
<input type="checkbox"/> Bufflehead	<input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer	<input type="checkbox"/> Magnificent Frigatebird	<input type="checkbox"/> Downy Woodpecker		<input type="checkbox"/> Grasshopper Sparrow
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Goldeneye	<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated Plover	<input type="checkbox"/> Cormorants	<input type="checkbox"/> Hairy Woodpecker	<input type="checkbox"/> Lark Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hooded Merganser	<input type="checkbox"/> Piping Plover	<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested Cormorant	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker	<input type="checkbox"/> Lark Bunting	
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Merganser	<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Plover	<input type="checkbox"/> Neotropic Cormorant	<input type="checkbox"/> Pileated Woodpecker	<input type="checkbox"/> Chipping Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted Merganser		<input type="checkbox"/> Pelicans	<input type="checkbox"/> Caracaras and Falcons	<input type="checkbox"/> Clay-colored Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and Allies	<input type="checkbox"/> American White Pelican	<input type="checkbox"/> American Kestrel	<input type="checkbox"/> Field Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> New World Quail	<input type="checkbox"/> Upland Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Pelican	<input type="checkbox"/> Merlin	<input type="checkbox"/> Fox Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Bobwhite	<input type="checkbox"/> Eskimo Curlew	<input type="checkbox"/> Bitterns, Herons, and Allies	<input type="checkbox"/> Peregrine Falcon	<input type="checkbox"/> American Tree Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, and Old World Quail	<input type="checkbox"/> Hudsonian Godwit	<input type="checkbox"/> Least Bittern		<input type="checkbox"/> Dark-eyed Junco	
<input type="checkbox"/> Wild Turkey	<input type="checkbox"/> Marbled Godwit	<input type="checkbox"/> American Bittern	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Crested Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> White-crowned Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray Partridge	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy Turnstone	<input type="checkbox"/> Little Blue Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Kingbird	<input type="checkbox"/> Harris's Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Pheasant	<input type="checkbox"/> Stilt Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Egret	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Kingbird	<input type="checkbox"/> White-throated Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Grebes	<input type="checkbox"/> Sanderling	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-crowned Night Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Olive-sided Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Vesper Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pied-billed Grebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Dunlin	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-crowned Night Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Cattle Egret	<input type="checkbox"/> LeConte's Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned Grebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Baird's Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Green Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Nelson's Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Eared Grebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Least Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Egret	<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Henslow's Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Grebe	<input type="checkbox"/> White-rumped Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Cattle Egret	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Wood-Pewee	<input type="checkbox"/> Savannah Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pigeons, Doves	<input type="checkbox"/> Buff-breasted Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Song Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged Dove	<input type="checkbox"/> Pectoral Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Ibises and Spoonbills	<input type="checkbox"/> Acadian Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln's Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Dove	<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmated Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> White-faced Ibis	<input type="checkbox"/> Alder Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Swamp Sparrow	
<input type="checkbox"/> Eurasian Collared-Dove	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> New World Vultures	<input type="checkbox"/> Willow Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted Towhee	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Pigeon	<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed Dowitcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed Dowitcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Least Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Towhee	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis	<input type="checkbox"/> Long-billed Dowitcher	<input type="checkbox"/> American Woodcock	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Phoebe		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Snipe		<input type="checkbox"/> Say's Phoebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Mimids	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Vireos	<input type="checkbox"/> Gray Catbird	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Osprey	<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Thrasher	
				<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Mockingbird	
				<input type="checkbox"/> Starlings	
				<input type="checkbox"/> European Starling	
				<input type="checkbox"/> Chats	
				<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-breasted Chat	

Blackbirds, Orioles

- ___ Yellow-headed Blackbird
- ___ Bobolink
- ___ Eastern Meadowlark
- ___ Western Meadowlark
- ___ Orchard Oriole
- ___ Baltimore Oriole

Red-winged Blackbird**Brown-headed Cowbird****Rusty Blackbird****Brewer's Blackbird****Common Grackle****Wood-warblers**

- ___ Ovenbird
- ___ Worm-eating Warbler
- ___ Louisiana Waterthrush
- ___ Northern Waterthrush
- ___ Golden-winged Warbler
- ___ Blue-winged Warbler
- ___ Black-and-white Warbler
- ___ Prothonotary Warbler

Tennessee Warbler**Orange-crowned Warbler****Nashville Warbler****Connecticut Warbler****Mourning Warbler****Kentucky Warbler****Common Yellowthroat****Hooded Warbler****American Redstart****Cape May Warbler****Cerulean Warbler****Northern Parula****Magnolia Warbler****Bay-breasted Warbler****Blackburnian Warbler****Yellow Warbler****Chestnut-sided Warbler****Blackpoll Warbler****Black-throated Blue Warbler****Palm Warbler****Pine Warbler****Yellow-rumped Warbler****Yellow-throated Warbler****Prairie Warbler****Black-throated Green Warbler****Canada Warbler****Wilson's Warbler****Tanagers, Cardinals,****Grosbeaks, Buntings****Summer Tanager****Scarlet Tanager****Western Tanager****Northern Cardinal****Rose-breasted Grosbeak****Black-headed Grosbeak****Blue Grosbeak****Indigo Bunting****Dickcissel**

The taxonomic sequence and nomenclature used in this list follow the Checklist of North American Birds, 7th Edition, American Ornithologists' Union, 1998, updated through the 64th Supplement (Chesser et al. 2023).

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