



IOWA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist of the Birds of Johnson County - 346 Species

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

Observers _____ Total Species _____ Total Individuals _____

Ducks, Geese, Swans	Pigeons, Doves	Curlew Sandpiper	Frigatebirds	Long-eared Owl	Swallows
<input type="checkbox"/> Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged Dove	<input type="checkbox"/> Sanderling	<input type="checkbox"/> Magnificent Frigatebird	<input type="checkbox"/> Short-eared Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Bank Swallow
<input type="checkbox"/> Snow Goose	<input type="checkbox"/> Mourning Dove	<input type="checkbox"/> Dunlin	<input type="checkbox"/> Cormorants	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Saw-whet Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Swallow
<input type="checkbox"/> Ross's Goose	<input type="checkbox"/> Passenger Pigeon	<input type="checkbox"/> Baird's Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Double-crested Cormorant	<input type="checkbox"/> Kingfishers	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Rough-winged Swallow
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater White-fronted Goose	<input type="checkbox"/> Eurasian Collared-Dove	<input type="checkbox"/> Least Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Neotropic Cormorant	<input type="checkbox"/> Belted Kingfisher	<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Martin
<input type="checkbox"/> Cackling Goose	<input type="checkbox"/> Rock Pigeon	<input type="checkbox"/> White-rumped Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Pelicans	<input type="checkbox"/> Woodpeckers	<input type="checkbox"/> Barn Swallow
<input type="checkbox"/> Canada Goose	Cuckoos, Roadrunners, Anis	<input type="checkbox"/> Buff-breasted Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> American White Pelican	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-headed Woodpecker	<input type="checkbox"/> Cliff Swallow
<input type="checkbox"/> Mute Swan	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-billed Cuckoo	<input type="checkbox"/> Pectoral Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Pelican	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-bellied Woodpecker	<input type="checkbox"/> Kinglets
<input type="checkbox"/> Trumpeter Swan	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-billed Cuckoo	<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmed Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Bitterns, Herons, and Allies	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-crowned Kinglet
<input type="checkbox"/> Tundra Swan	Goatsuckers	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Least Bittern	<input type="checkbox"/> Downy Woodpecker	<input type="checkbox"/> Golden-crowned Kinglet
<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> Common Nighthawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed Dowitcher	<input type="checkbox"/> American Bittern	<input type="checkbox"/> Hairy Woodpecker	<input type="checkbox"/> Waxwings
<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-winged Teal	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Whip-poor-will	<input type="checkbox"/> Long-billed Dowitcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Little Blue Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Flicker	<input type="checkbox"/> Bohemian Waxwing
<input type="checkbox"/> Cinnamon Teal	Swifts	<input type="checkbox"/> American Woodcock	<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Egret	<input type="checkbox"/> Pileated Woodpecker	<input type="checkbox"/> Cedar Waxwing
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Shoveler	<input type="checkbox"/> Chimney Swift	<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Snipe	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-crowned Night Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Caracaras and Falcons	<input type="checkbox"/> Nuthatches
<input type="checkbox"/> Gadwall	Hummingbirds	<input type="checkbox"/> Spotted Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-crowned Night Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> American Kestrel	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted Nuthatch
<input type="checkbox"/> Eurasian Wigeon	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruby-throated Hummingbird	<input type="checkbox"/> Solitary Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Green Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Merlin	<input type="checkbox"/> White-breasted Nuthatch
<input type="checkbox"/> American Wigeon	<input type="checkbox"/> Rufous Hummingbird	<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Yellowlegs	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Egret	<input type="checkbox"/> Peregrine Falcon	<input type="checkbox"/> Creepers
<input type="checkbox"/> Mallard	Rails, Gallinules, and Coots	<input type="checkbox"/> Willet	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Cattle Egret	<input type="checkbox"/> Prairie Falcon	<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Creeper
<input type="checkbox"/> American Black Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> King Rail	<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Yellowlegs	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron	<input type="checkbox"/> Flycatchers	<input type="checkbox"/> Gnatcatchers
<input type="checkbox"/> Mottled Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> Virginia Rail	<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson's Phalarope	<input type="checkbox"/> Ibises and Spoonbills	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Crested Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Wrens
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Pintail	<input type="checkbox"/> Sora	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-necked Phalarope	<input type="checkbox"/> White Ibis	<input type="checkbox"/> Western Kingbird	<input type="checkbox"/> Bewick's Wren
<input type="checkbox"/> Green-winged Teal	<input type="checkbox"/> Common Gallinule	<input type="checkbox"/> Red Phalarope	<input type="checkbox"/> Glossy Ibis	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Kingbird	<input type="checkbox"/> Carolina Wren
<input type="checkbox"/> Canvasback	<input type="checkbox"/> American Coot	<input type="checkbox"/> Skuas and Jaegers	<input type="checkbox"/> White-faced Ibis	<input type="checkbox"/> Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern House Wren
<input type="checkbox"/> Redhead	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow Rail	<input type="checkbox"/> Parasitic Jaeger	<input type="checkbox"/> Roseate Spoonbill	<input type="checkbox"/> Olive-sided Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Winter Wren
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> Black Rail	<input type="checkbox"/> Long-tailed Jaeger	<input type="checkbox"/> New World Vultures	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Wood-Pewee	<input type="checkbox"/> Sedge Wren
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Scaup	Limpkins	<input type="checkbox"/> Auks, Murres, and Puffins	<input type="checkbox"/> Black Vulture	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Marsh Wren
<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Scaup	<input type="checkbox"/> Limpkin	<input type="checkbox"/> Thick-billed Murre	<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Vulture	<input type="checkbox"/> Acadian Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Mimids
<input type="checkbox"/> Surf Scoter	Cranes	<input type="checkbox"/> Gulls, Terns, Skimmers	<input type="checkbox"/> Ospreys	<input type="checkbox"/> Alder Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Gray Catbird
<input type="checkbox"/> White-winged Scoter	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandhill Crane	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-legged Kittiwake	<input type="checkbox"/> Osprey	<input type="checkbox"/> Willow Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Curve-billed Thrasher
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Scoter	<input type="checkbox"/> Whooping Crane	<input type="checkbox"/> Sabine's Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies	<input type="checkbox"/> Least Flycatcher	<input type="checkbox"/> Brown Thrasher
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-tailed Duck	Stilts and Avocets	<input type="checkbox"/> Bonaparte's Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Swallow-tailed Kite	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Phoebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Mockingbird
<input type="checkbox"/> Bufflehead	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-necked Stilt	<input type="checkbox"/> Little Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Golden Eagle	<input type="checkbox"/> Vireos	<input type="checkbox"/> Starlings
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Goldeneye	<input type="checkbox"/> American Avocet	<input type="checkbox"/> Laughing Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Harrier	<input type="checkbox"/> White-eyed Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> European Starling
<input type="checkbox"/> Hooded Merganser	Lapwings and Plovers	<input type="checkbox"/> Franklin's Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-shinned Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Bell's Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Thrushes
<input type="checkbox"/> Common Merganser	<input type="checkbox"/> Black-bellied Plover	<input type="checkbox"/> Short-billed Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Cooper's Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Yellow-throated Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Bluebird
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-breasted Merganser	<input type="checkbox"/> American Golden-Plover	<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-billed Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> American Goshawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Blue-headed Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Townsend's Solitaire
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy Duck	<input type="checkbox"/> Killdeer	<input type="checkbox"/> California Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Bald Eagle	<input type="checkbox"/> Philadelphia Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Veery
New World Quail	<input type="checkbox"/> Semipalmed Plover	<input type="checkbox"/> American Herring Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Mississippi Kite	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Warbling Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Gray-cheeked Thrush
<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Bobwhite	<input type="checkbox"/> Piping Plover	<input type="checkbox"/> Iceland Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-shouldered Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-eyed Vireo	<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's Thrush
Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, and Old World Quail	<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Plover	<input type="checkbox"/> Lesser Black-backed Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Broad-winged Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Loggerhead Shrike	<input type="checkbox"/> Hermit Thrush
<input type="checkbox"/> Wild Turkey	Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and Allies	<input type="checkbox"/> Glaucous Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Swainson's Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Shrike	<input type="checkbox"/> Wood Thrush
<input type="checkbox"/> Ruffed Grouse	<input type="checkbox"/> Upland Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Black-backed Gull	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Jays, Magpies, Crows	<input type="checkbox"/> American Robin
<input type="checkbox"/> Greater Prairie-Chicken	<input type="checkbox"/> Whimbrel	<input type="checkbox"/> Least Tern	<input type="checkbox"/> Rough-legged Hawk	<input type="checkbox"/> Clark's Nutcracker	<input type="checkbox"/> Varied Thrush
<input type="checkbox"/> Gray Partridge	<input type="checkbox"/> Hudsonian Godwit	<input type="checkbox"/> Caspian Tern	<input type="checkbox"/> Barn Owls	<input type="checkbox"/> American Crow	<input type="checkbox"/> Old World Sparrows
<input type="checkbox"/> Ring-necked Pheasant	<input type="checkbox"/> Marbled Godwit	<input type="checkbox"/> Black Tern	<input type="checkbox"/> American Barn Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Eastern Screech-Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> House Sparrow
Grebes	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruddy Turnstone	<input type="checkbox"/> Common Tern	<input type="checkbox"/> Typical Owls	<input type="checkbox"/> Great Horned Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Eurasian Tree Sparrow
<input type="checkbox"/> Pied-billed Grebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Red Knot	<input type="checkbox"/> Arctic Tern	<input type="checkbox"/> Forster's Tern	<input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Pipits
<input type="checkbox"/> Horned Grebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruff	<input type="checkbox"/> Red-throated Loon	<input type="checkbox"/> Loons	<input type="checkbox"/> Burrowing Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> American Pipit
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-necked Grebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Loon	<input type="checkbox"/> Common Loon	<input type="checkbox"/> Barred Owl	<input type="checkbox"/> Finches
<input type="checkbox"/> Eared Grebe	<input type="checkbox"/> Stilt Sandpiper				<input type="checkbox"/> Evening Grosbeak
<input type="checkbox"/> Western Grebe					

___Pine Grosbeak
___House Finch
___Purple Finch
___Redpoll
___Red Crossbill
___White-winged Crossbill
___Pine Siskin
___American Goldfinch
Longspurs, Snow Bunting
___Lapland Longspur
___Chestnut-collared Longspur
___Smith's Longspur
___Snow Bunting
Towhees, Sparrows
___Grasshopper Sparrow
___Lark Sparrow
___Chipping Sparrow
___Clay-colored Sparrow
___Field Sparrow
___Fox Sparrow
___American Tree Sparrow
___Dark-eyed Junco
___White-crowned Sparrow
___Harris's Sparrow
___White-throated Sparrow
___Vesper Sparrow
___LeConte's Sparrow
___Nelson's Sparrow
___Henslow's Sparrow
___Savannah Sparrow
___Song Sparrow
___Lincoln's Sparrow
___Swamp Sparrow
___Spotted Towhee
___Eastern Towhee

Chats

___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
___Great-tailed 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
___Painted Bunting
___Dickcissel

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