

# BIRDS IN THE SAGINAW BAY AREA

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August 1 through November 30,  
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**Summary:** A total of 236 species were recorded in the SBA this fall, the highest fall total ever. An excellent cast of rare and unusual birds was reported, together with almost all of the expected species. The highlight of the season was the first documented **Arctic Tern** for the SBA (and about the 6th Michigan record) which was found due to the diligence of a few early "believers", and also because the bird was readily studied at close quarters right next to **Common** and **Forster's Terns** (in mid November no less!). Other rarities at or close to the Karn Plant this fall were a **White Pelican** at the end of Knight Road for almost a month, a **Brant** and a **Black-legged Kittiwake** at the Saginaw River mouth at the end of October and **Avocet**, **Hudsonian** and **Marbled Godwits** and a **Franklin's Gull** at the plant itself. There were no fewer than 5 **Franklin's Gulls** reported this fall, although it is conceivable that the Karn, Midland and possibly the Saginaw birds could be the same individual. There were 3 reports of **Little Gulls** (including 3 adults together at Tawas) and a 1st winter **Thayer's Gull** was noted at Tawas for the 3rd year. The familiar **Lesser Black-backed Gull** showed up at Bay City State Park as usual.

**Eared Grebes** continue to proliferate at the Dow Ponds (a total of at least 5 individuals this fall) and there were up to 15 **Red-necked Grebes** at Tawas Point in late October. A few **White-fronted Geese** stopped in at Shiawassee together with a large eastern "**Greater**" **Snow Goose**. A couple of **Golden Eagles** maintained the recent SBA run on this species. Other good records included an unusual fall **Prothonotary Warbler** (predictably at Shiawassee), no less than three **Connecticut Warblers** and remarkable mid-November reports of **Cape May Warbler** and **Ovenbird**. **Carolina Wrens** continue their comeback with 5 reports this fall. Birds that were missed this fall included **Peregrine** and **Surf Scoter** and there was only one **White-rumped Sandpiper** reported. Winter finches made a modest return with a scattering of **Evening Grosbeaks** and **Pine Siskins** and good numbers of **Redpolls**, especially in the northern counties.

## REPORTS

### RED-THROATED LOON:

1	10/30	Tawas Pt, lo	RP
1	11/8	Tawas Pt, lo	BB

### COMMON LOON:

1	9/29	Tawas Pt, lo	RW	First return.
200+	10/26-30	Tawas Pt, lo	TW, R&MP	
4	11/24	East Tawas, lo	RW	

Large numbers present at Tawas during late October.

### PIED-BILLED GREBE:

20	8/27	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW	Peak count.
1	11/17	Karn Plant, Ba	JS, JH	Last date

### HORNED GREBE:

1	9/19-23	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW	First return.
100	10/27	Tawas Pt, lo	TW	
15	11/8	MCV Pond, Mi	RW, EK	
2	11/24	Tawas Pt, lo	RW	Last date

### RED-NECKED GREBE:

15	10/27	Tawas Pt, lo	TW, RW	
2	11/6-24	Tawas Pt, lo	RW	Last date

Exceptional numbers for SBA at Tawas during late October.

### EARED GREBE:

1 ad	8/18	Dow Ponds, Mi	TW
1-4	9/11-11/6	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW
1	9/21	Freeland SL, Sa	RW

At the Dow Ponds, after the adult on 8/18, an immature bird showed up first (9/11-15) soon to be replaced by a single adult on 9/19. The adult was later joined by as many as three others (10/11).

### WHITE PELICAN:

1	10/13-11/10	Knight Rd, Ba	JS et al
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### DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT:

80	9/2	Tawas Pt, lo	RW
500	10/28	Hampton Twp, Ba	JS

Large numbers through October and several through period in Bay Co.

### AMERICAN BITTERN:

1-2	9/2-28	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW, TW
1	9/8	Mayville, Tu	MW
1	11/8	Tawas Pt, lo	BB

### LEAST BITTERN:

1	9/2	Karn Plant, Ba	JS
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### GREAT BLUE HERON:

166	8/8	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
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### GREAT EGRET:

176	8/8	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
68	9/21	Karn Plant, Ba	RW	All in entrance road pond!
1	10/31	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Latest

### GREEN-BACKED HERON:

12	3/3	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
1	10/4	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Last date

### BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON:

35+	9/7	Karn Plant, Ba	RW, JS
10	11/3	Karn Plant, Ba	JS

### TUNDRA SWAN:

1	9/2	Wigwam Bay, Ar	TW	First date; early
800	11/17	Bayport, Hu	ME	Peak count

Noted through end of period.

[MUTE SWAN: no reports]

### GREATER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE:

3	10/31	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP
6	11/7	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP

Relatively few SBA fall records.

### SNOW GOOSE:

39	10/31	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP
75	10/28	Finn Rd, Ba	JS

A "Greater" Snow Goose was seen at Shiawassee NWR, Sa on 10/22 tp (DP, RG, MP)

10/31-11/1	Saginaw R. mouth, Ba	R&MP,MW,JS	
Shiawassee 4th SBA record and the first since 1983.			
CANADA GOOSE:			
22,957	10/29	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP Peak count
Good numbers of Richardson's present at Midland during October.			
WOOD DUCK:			
30	9/30	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP Peak count
	10/28	Midland, Mi	RA Last date
GREEN-WINGED TEAL:			
331	9/17	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP Peak count
350	10/16	Quanicassee, Tu	MW
AMERICAN BLACK DUCK:			
3,517	11/7	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP Peak count
WALLARD:			
27,349	10/31	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP Peak count
NORTHERN PINTAIL:			
98	10/31	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP Peak count
BLUE-WINGED TEAL:			
123	8/2	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP Peak count
	11/9	Korn Plant, Ba	RW Last date, injured bird.
NORTHERN SHOVELER:			
22	10/31	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP Peak count
10	9/21	Freeland SL, Sa	RW
1	11/18	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW Last date
GADWALL:			
12	9/11	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW Peak count
AMERICAN WIGEON:			
54	11/1	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP Peak count
1	11/16	Pt Austin, Hu	RW Last date
CANVASBACK:			
2	10/10	MCV Pond, Mi	EK, RW First return.
48	10/31	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP Peak count
6	11/16	Harbor Beach, Hu	MW, RW Last date
REDHEAD:			
50	9/2	Dow Ponds, Mi	TW Peak count
1	11/16	Pt. Austin, Hu	RW, MW
RING-NECKED DUCK:			
2	8/25	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW
1,500	10/27	Alabaster, Io	TW Peak count at usual fall locale.
GREATER SCAUP:			
6	10/26-27	Tawas Pt, Io	RW,TW
Scattered sightings during late fall.			
LESSER SCAUP:			
50	10/25	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW Peak count; low
OLDSQUAW:			
1	10/25	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW
12	10/27	Tawas Pt, Io	RW Peak count
1	11/9	Tawas Pt, Io	RW
1	11/16	Harbor Beach, Hu	RW
BLACK SCOTER:			
1	10/30	Tawas Pt, Io	R&MP, JS
[SURF SCOTER: no reports]			
WHITE-WINGED SCOTER:			
1	10/13	Tawas Pt, Io	RW New SBA early.
1-3	10/19-30	Tawas Pt, Io	RW,TW
	10/27	Point Lookout, Ar	TW
COMMON GOLDENEYE:			
	10/15	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW, MW, KL First return.
BUFFLEHEAD:			
	8/18 to	Dow Ponds, Mi	TW Early date
HOODED MERGANSER:			
	9/8	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP
	9/28	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW

35	11/9	Tawas City, Io	RW	Peak count
COMMON MERGANSER:				
5	8/31	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	
10,000	11/8	Karn Plant, Ba	MW	Peak count
RED-BREASTED MERGANSER:				
1	8/31	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	A few summered here.
20,000	10/27	Au Gres, Ar	TW	One immense flock
RUDDY DUCK:				
1	9/19	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW	First return.
75	10/20	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW	Good numbers in late fall.
TURKEY VULTURE:				
10/9	1	Auburn, Ba	RA	
OSPREY:				
1-3 seen in Ba, Mi and Sa in Aug and Sept including one over Saginaw Road in downtown Midland (TW)!				
BALD EAGLE:				
2	8/24	Midland, MI	RA	
7	10/31-11/7	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	
2 ad.	9/1	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	
Also reported from Nayanquing and Oak Grove, Ba (JS, TW).				
NORTHERN HARRIER:				
Scattered sightings through period.				
SHARP-SHINNED HAWK:				
3	9/14	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	
A few sightings tp.				
COOPER'S HAWK:				
Scattered sightings through period.				
NORTHERN GOSHAWK:				
1	10/9	Reese, Tu	MW	
1	10/18	Karn Plant, Ba	MW	
RED-SHOULDERED HAWK:				
1	9/22	Oak Beach, Hu	ME	
[BROAD-WINGED HAWK: no reports]				
RED-TAILED HAWK:				
18	11/14	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK:				
1	10/21	Auburn, Ba	ME	Early date
Scattered sightings later in period.				
GOLDEN EAGLE:				
1	10/24	Mayville, Tu	MW	
1	11/14	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	
AMERICAN KESTREL:				
Common through period.				
MERLIN:				
1	8/31	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	
1	9/2	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	
1	9/15	Oakley, Sa	JS	
1	10/21	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	
[PEREGRINE FALCON: no reports]				
RING-NECKED PHEASANT:				
Scattered sightings tp.				
RUFFED GROUSE:				
Noted in Ar.				
WILD TURKEY:				
Reported from Huron, Midland.				
NORTHERN BOBWHITE:				
Reported from Huron (ME) and Tuscola (MW).				
VIRGINIA RAIL:				
1	8/27	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW	Last date
SORA:				
1	8/15	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	
COMMON MOORHEN:				
6	8/27	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW	
1	10/9	Karn Plant, Ba	RW	

<b>AMERICAN COOT:</b>				
100	11/2	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	
50	11/8	MCV Pond, Mi	RW, EK	
<b>SANDHILL CRANE:</b>				
Reported from Ar.				
<b>BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER:</b>				
1	9/2	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	
13	10/24	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
3	11/8	Karn Plant, Ba	MW	
<b>LESSER GOLDEN PLOVER:</b>				
3	8/28	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	First date
10	9/21	Freeland SL, Sa	RW	
6	10/4	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	
1	10/27	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Last date
<b>SEMPALMATED PLOVER:</b>				
30	8/24	Karn Plant, Ba	JS, RH	Peak count
6	10/16	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	Last date
<b>KILLDEER:</b>				
139	9/17	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
4	11/8	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Last date
<b>AMERICAN AVOCET:</b>				
1	8/17-30	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	Photographed
<b>GREATER YELLOWLEGS:</b>				
35	10/4	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	
1	11/19	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	
<b>LESSER YELLOWLEGS:</b>				
132	8/13	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
2	11/14	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	Last date
<b>SOLITARY SANDPIPER:</b>				
2	10/4	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Last date
<b>SPOTTED SANDPIPER:</b>				
1	10/6	Eagle Bay, Hu	ME	Last date
[UPLAND SANDPIPER: no reports]				
[WHIMBREL: no reports]				
<b>HUDSONIAN GODWIT:</b>				
1	Aug	Monitor Ponds Area, Ba	SM	
1	10/27-28	Finn Rd., Ba	KO, JS	
<b>MARbled GODWIT:</b>				
1	9/21	Karn Plant, Ba	RW	3rd Sept. in a row!
<b>RUDDY TURNSTONE:</b>				
1	10/27	Tawas Pt, Io	RW, BB	New SBA late date
<b>RED KNOT:</b>				
3	8/24	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	Photographed
1	9/11	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	
<b>SANDERLING:</b>				
50	9/18	Karn Plant, Ba	RW	
1	11/29	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	
<b>SEMPALMATED SANDPIPER:</b>				
468	8/2	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
6	10/14	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	Last date
<b>LEAST SANDPIPER:</b>				
56	8/2	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
<b>WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER:</b>				
2	8/2	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW	Only report!
<b>BAIRD'S SANDPIPER:</b>				
3	9/17	Karn Plant	JS	First date
11	9/11	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	Peak count
11	9/15	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW	
1	10/10	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Last date
<b>PECTORAL SANDPIPER:</b>				
50	9/30	Freeland SL, Sa	JS	Peak count
1	10/30	Tawas Point, Io	R&MP, JS	Last date
<b>WILSON'S PHALAROPUS:</b>				
111	10/24	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count

**STILT SANDPIPER:**

28	8/8	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
20	8/2	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	

**SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER:**

85	9/5	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Peak count
12	9/7	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW	

**LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER:**

3	10/16	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	
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2 Dowitcher sp. at Shiawassee NWR, Sa on 10/24 were presumably Long-billed.

**COMMON SNIPER:**

Low numbers noted into early November.

**AMERICAN WOODCOCK:**

One performing song-flight in Midland on 10/15 was unusual (TW).

**WILSON'S PHALAROPE:**

2	8/2-7	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW
3	8/8	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP
1	8/30	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP
1	9/14	Karn Plant, Ba	JS

**RED-NECKED PHALAROPE:**

1-4	8/25-9/6	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW, TW	Max of 4 on 8/25.
1-2	9/21-22	Karn Plant, Ba	RW, JS	

**FRANKLIN'S GULL:**

1	10/8	Karn Plant, Ba	MW	
1	10/10	MCV Pond, Mi	EK, RW	First Midland Co record
1	11/2	Saginaw River, Sa	MH, RG	First Saginaw Co. record
1	11/6	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	First Iosco Co. record
1	11/3	Harbor Beach, Hu	MW	First Huron Co. record

An impressive collection of records this year, after only 6 or so previous SBA records.

**LITTLE GULL:**

3	10/29	Tawas Pt, Io	R&MP	
1	11/2	Saginaw River, Sa	MH	First Saginaw Co. record
1	11/29	Filion Rd, Hu	ME	

**BONAPARTE'S GULL:**

300+	10/15	MCV Pond, Mi	RW, EK	Large number inland.
10,000+	10/31	Saginaw R. mouth, Ba	RP, MW	

Large numbers present through October peaking late in the month.

**RING-BILLED GULL:**

Abundant until late in period.

**HERRING GULL:**

Abundant through period.

**THAYER'S GULL:**

1 1st w.	10/25	Tawas Pt, Io	RP	
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This is the 3rd October in a row that a first winter Thayer's has been recorded at Tawas Pt.

**GLAUCOUS GULL:**

1	10/25 tp	Tawas Pt, Io	RP, RW, BB
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**LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL:**

1	9/9-10/25	Bay City SP, Ba	RW, RP et al	"Lester" returns yet again!
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**GREAT BLACK BACKED GULL:**

13	11/29	Karn Plant, Ba	JS
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Small numbers (up to 6) present at Tawas through period. Peak numbers there down from a year ago.

**BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE:**

1	10/30-31	Saginaw R. mouth	JS, MW, R&MP	5th SBA record
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**COMMON TERN:**

300	10/12	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	
1	11/16	Pt Austin, Hu	RW, MW	
1	11/20	Karn Plant, Ba	JS, RW	Last date; late

**CASPIAN TERN:**

5	11/3	Karn Plant, Ba	JS, RW
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**ARCTIC TERN\*:**

1	11/9-20	Karn Plant, Ba	MW, RW, JS et al
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A very obliging juv/1st winter bird was the 1st documented SBA record (photographed).

**FORSTER'S TERN:**

10	9/7	Karn Plant, Ba	RW
1	11/14	Karn Plant, Ba	RG, JS, KL

BLACK-TERN:				
1	8/10	Tawas Pt, Io	JS	Last date
ROCK DOVE:				
	Common through period.			
ROCKING DOVE:				
	Common through period.			
BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO:	no reports]			
YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO:				
1	8/10	Tawas Pt, Io	JS	
EASTERN SCREECH OWL:				
17	8/31	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	High count for SBA
3	10/22	CNC	JB	Also noted in Hu and Tu
GREAT HORNED OWL:				
	Scattered sightings through period.			
SNOWY OWL:				
1	11/10	Knight Rd, Ba	JS,MW	
3	11/20	Karn Plant, Ba	RW	
BARRED OWL:				
	Noted in in Mi, Sa.			
SHORT-EARED OWL:				
1	11/6	Oak Grove, Ba	JS	Also noted in Saginaw Co.
COMMON NIGHTHAWK:				
100	8/30	Midland, Mi	TW	Peak count
WHIP-POOR-WILL:				
	Noted in Midland (TW)			
CHIMNEY SWIFT:				
61	10/7-8	Bay City, Ba	JS	From the usual chimney!
RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD:				
1	9/20	Bay City, Ba	ME	Last date
BELTED KINGFISHER:				
	Small numbers seen through period.			
RED-HEADED WOODPECKER:				
1	11/21	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Last date
RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER:				
	Seen through period. Noted north to Baldwin Twp, Io (RW).			
YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER:				
1	9/21	Karn Plant, Ba	RW	
DOWNY WOODPECKER:				
	Common through period.			
HAIRY WOODPECKER:				
	Fairly common through period.			
NORTHERN FLICKER:				
	Noted through period			
PILEATED WOODPECKER:				
1	9/3	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	
2	10/24	Chippewa NC, Mi	JL	
EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE:				
1	9/14	Bay City SP, Ba	RW	
1	9/14	Mayville, Tu	MW	Last date
YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER:				
1	9/1	Oak Beach, Hu	ME	
WILLOW FLYCATCHER:				
1	9/2	Wigwam Bay, Ar	TW	Last date
LEAST FLYCATCHER:				
1	9/22	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Last date
EASTERN PHOEBE:				
1	11/10	Oak Grove, Ba	JS	Last date
GREAT-CRESTED FLYCATCHER:				
1	9/3	Bay City SP, Ba	RW	Last date
EASTERN KINGBIRD:				
	Noted until late August.			
HORNED LARK:				
	Scattered sightings through period.			

**PURPLE MARTIN:**

50	8/8	Tawas Pt, Io	JS
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**TREE SWALLOW:**

2,500	9/2	Nayanquing, Ba	TW	Peak count
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**NORTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW:**

20	9/24	Auburn, Ba	RA	Last date
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**BANK SWALLOW:**

2	9/24	Auburn, Ba	RE	Last date
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**CLIFF SWALLOW:**

2	8/14	Hampton Twp, Ba	JS	Only report.
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**BARN SWALLOW:**

1	9/30	Freeland SL, Sa	JS	Last date
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**BLUE JAY:**

Common through period.

**AMERICAN CROW:**

Common through period.

[COMMON RAVEN: no reports]

**BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE:**

Common through period.

**TUFTED TITMOUSE:**

Noted north to Baldwin Twp, Io.

**RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH:**

Good numbers migrating this fall.

**WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH:**

Common through period.

**BROWN CREEPER:**

Noted tp.

**CAROLINA WREN:**

1-2	8/8-9/22	Oak Beach, Hu	ME
1	8/8	Saginaw Twp, Sa	RW
1	8/31	Fish Point, Tu	MW
2	10/23	Oak Grove, Hu	JS
1	10/20-11/17	Saginaw Twp, Sa	M&JH

Mild winters have led to increased sightings in the past few years. Probably nesting in Sa and Hu.

**HOUSE WREN:**

1	10/3	Liberty Woods, Ba	JS	Last date
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**WINTER WREN:**

1	10/14	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	
1	10/31	Bay City, Ba	JS	Last date

**SEDGE WREN:**

1	8/6	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	
1	8/18	Nayanquing, Ba	TW	Last date

**MARSH WREN:**

1	10/9	Karn Plant, Ba	RW	Last date
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**GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET:**

50	9/27	Tawas Pt, Io	TW	Peak count
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**RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET:**

40	9/29	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	
1	10/27	Tawas Pt, Io	TW	Last date

**BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER:**

1	9/2	Wigwam Bay, Ar	TW	Last date
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**EASTERN BLUEBIRD:**

1	11/9	Baldwin Twp, Io	RW	Last date
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**VEERY:**

5	9/1	Oak Beach, Hu	ME	Last date
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**GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH:**

1	9/8, 11	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP	Only report
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**SWAINSON'S THRUSH:**

2	10/3	Karn Plant, Ba	JS	Last date
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**HERMIT THRUSH:**

3	9/29	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	
11	10/15	Oak Beach, Hu	ME	Peak count

**WOOD THRUSH:**

1	10/6	Midland, Mi	RA	Last date; late
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AMERICAN ROBIN:				
1	11/9	Baldwin Twp, Io	RW	
GRAY CATBIRD:				
1	10/3	Liberty Woods, Ba	JS	
NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD:	no reports]			
BROWN THRASHER:				
3	9/20	Liberty Woods, Ba	JS	Last date
WATER PIPIT:				
1	9/30	Freeland SL, Sa	JS	High number
1	10/27	Tawas Pt, Io	TW	
RED-HEADED WAXWING:	no reports]			
SCARLET WAXWING:	Scattered sightings tp.			
NORTHERN SHRIKE:				
1	10/20	Sumac I, Hu	fide ME	First date
Scattered sightings tp.				
EUROPEAN STARLING:	Common through period.			
SOLITARY VIREO:				
2	9/6	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW	
1	9/13	Mayville, Tu	MW	
1	9/14	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	Last date
YELLOW-THROATED VIREO:				
4	9/14	Oak Beach, Hu	ME	
1	9/23	Mayville, Tu	MW	Last date
WARBLING VIREO:				
1	9/8	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW	
1	9/14	Bay City SP, Ba, Ba	RW	Last date
PHILADELPHIA VIREO:				
5	8/25	Oak Beach, Hu	ME	
3	9/8	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW	
1	9/20	Liberty Woods, Ba	JS	Last date
Good numbers this fall				
RED-EYED VIREO:				
1	9/22	Mayville, Tu	MW	Last date
BLUE-WINGED WARBLER:				
1	9/11	Mayville, Tu	MW	Last date
GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER:				
1	9/2	Hale Rd, Ar	TW	Last date
TENNESSEE WARBLER:				
1	9/28	Mayville, Tu	MW	Last date
ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER:				
1	10/13	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	Only record
NASHVILLE WARBLER:				
1	9/29	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	Last date
NORTHERN PARULA:				
2	9/8	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW	
1	9/14	Bay City SP, Ba, Ba	RW	
1	9/22	Mayville, Tu	MW	
1	9/29	Tawas Pt, Io	RW	
1	10/3	Liberty Woods, Ba	JS	Last date
YELLOW WARBLER:				
4	9/8	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW	Last date
CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER:				
1	9/21	Karn Plant, Ba	RW	Last date
MAGNOLIA WARBLER:				
1	10/3	Liberty Woods, Ba	JS	Last date
CAPE MAY WARBLER:				
1	10/3	Liberty Woods, Ba	JS	
1	11/10	Huron City, Hu	KO	At a feeder!
BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER:				
1	10/8	Midland, Mi	TW	Flew into window.
YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER:				
1	11/8	MCV Pond, Mi	RW	

BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER:					
1	9/29	Tawas Pt, Io	RW		Last date
BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER:					
1	9/28	Mayville, Tu	MW		Last date
PINE WARBLER:					
12	8/8	Lumberman's Monument, Io	JS		
PALM WARBLER:					
1	8/31	Tawas Pt, Io	RW		
50+	9/14	Bay City SP, Ba	RW		
1	10/7	Bay City, Ba	JS		Last date
DAY-BREASTED WARBLER:					
10	9/14	Bay City SP, Ba, Ba	RW		
3	9/29	Tawas Pt, Io	RW		Last date
BLACKPOLL WARBLER:					
12	9/8	Nayanquing Pt, Ba	RW		
1	9/29	Tawas Pt, Io	RW		Last date
BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER:					
1	10/8	Stratford Woods, Mi	RW		Last date
AMERICAN REDSTART:					
1	10/6	Midland, Mi	RA		Last date
PROTHONOTARY WARBLER:					
1	8/31	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP		Good fall record
OVENBIRD:					
1	11/8-12	Saginaw, Sa	DP		Last date; very late
NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH:					
1	9/1	Oak Beach, Ba	JS		Last date
CONNECTICUT WARBLER:					
1	8/31	Caseville, Hu	MW		
2	9/2	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP		
1	9/1	Oak Beach, Hu	ME		Good series of records
MOURNING WARBLER:					
1	9/22	Shiawassee NWR, Sa	DP		Last date
COMMON YELLOWTHROAT:					
2	10/5	Oak Beach, Hu	ME		Last date
WILSON'S WARBLER:					
1	9/29	Tawas Pt, Io	RW		Last date
CANADA WARBLER:					
1	9/2	Oak Grove, Hu	JS		Last date
SCARLET TANAGER:					
1	9/14	Tawas Pt, Io	RW		Last date
NORTHERN CARDINAL:					
Common through period.					
ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK:					
1	10/29-11/1	Midland, Mi	PH		Last date; late
INDIGO BUNTING:					
1	9/29	Oak Grove, Ba	JS		Last date
Only one seen (8/1) at Chippewa NC, Mi all year.					
RUFOUS SIDED TOWHEE:					
1	11/7	Midland	fide JL		
AMERICAN TREE SPARROW:					
3	10/12	Hampton Park, Ba	JS		First date
CHIPPING SPARROW:					
15	10/5	Port Crescent, Hu	ME		Last date
FIELD SPARROW:					
2	10/19	Tawas Pt, Io	RW		Last date
VESPER SPARROW:					
1	10/6	Dow Ponds, Mi	RW		Last date
SAVANNAH SPARROW:					
1	11/8	Tawas Pt, Io	BB		Last date
FOX SPARROW:					
1	10/13	CNC	TW		First date
1	11/11	Mayville, Tu	MW		Last date
SONG SPARROW:					
Noted tp					

INDIAN SPARROW:  
 1 9/29 Oak Grove, Ba JS Last date  
 B. SPARROW:  
 1 10/12 Finn Rd, Ba JS Last date  
 WHITE-THROATED SPARROW:  
 1 8/31 Tawas Pt, Io RW First migrant date  
 WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW:  
 1 11/4 Huron Co ME Last date  
 DARK-EYED JUNCO:  
 1 9/11 Karn Plant, Ba JS First migrant date  
 LA PLAND LONGSPUR:  
 Noted in Io (RP).  
 SNOW BUNTING:  
 1 10/16 MCV Pond, Mi RW First date  
 400 11/17 Huron Co. ME  
 BOBOLINK:  
 75 8/27 Nayanquing Pt, Ba RW  
 RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD:  
 25,000+ 10/23 Hampton Twp, Ba JS  
 EASTERN MEADOWLARK:  
 1 11/6 Tawas Pt, Io RW Last date  
 YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD:  
 1 9/2 Nayanquing, Ba TW Last date  
 RUSTY BLACKBIRD:  
 3 9/29 Oak Grove, Ba JS First date  
 COMMON GRACKLE:  
 5,000 10/23 Hampton Twp, Ba JS  
 BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD:  
 Common tp.  
 NORTHERN ORIOLE:  
 Noted in Hu.  
 PURPLE FINCH:  
 Small numbers noted through period.  
 HOUSE FINCH:  
 Common through period.  
 COMMON REDPOLL:  
 1 10/13 Tawas Pt, Io RW  
 150 max 11/6 Tawas Pt, Io RW  
 Large numbers present in Io and Hu in Oct and Nov, smaller numbers in Mi (TW).  
 PINE SISKIN:  
 Fairly common this fall throughout region.  
 AMERICAN GOLDFINCH:  
 Common through period.  
 EVENING GROSBEAK:  
 Scattered sightings in Io, Mi, Hu; more than in recent years.  
 HOUSE SPARROW:  
 Common through period.

TOTAL: 236 species

#### REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE THE SBA

SHOVELER	2	11/22	Alpena	RP	Late this far N
HARLEQUIN	1	11/8	Holland Lighthouse	R&MP	
BARROW'S GOLDENEYE	1	11/7	Pt. Edward	RP, D. Rupert	Seen over Mi waters.
PURPLE SANDPIPER	2	11/16	Port Huron	MW	
RED PHALAROPE	1	9/30	Au Train Bay	RP	

PARASITIC JAEGER				
9	11/7	Pt. Edward	RP, D. Rupert	Seen over Mi waters.
4	11/11	Pt. Edward	RP, D. Rupert	Seen over Mi waters.
POMARINE JAEGER				
1	11/4	Pt Edward	RP, D. Rupert	Seen over Mi waters.
1	11/11	Pt Edward	RP, D. Rupert	Seen over Mi waters.
FRANKLIN'S GULL				
1	8/18	Au Train Bay	RP	
SABINE'S GULL				
1	11/3	Port Sanilac, Sanilac Co	MW	
BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE				
1	11/4	Pt Edward	RP, D. Rupert	Seen over Mi waters.
GYR FALCON				
1	11/22,23	St. Mary's R., Soo	R&MP	
SNOWY OWL				
3	11/22	Harrisville	R&MP	
SHORT-EARED OWL				
1	11/29	Allegan SGA	MW	
BOHEMIAN WAXWING				
40	11/23	Sault Ste. Marie	R&MP	

### ADDITIONS TO PREVIOUS REPORTS

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#### PRAIRIE WARBLER

1 5/25 Port Crescent SP, Hu ME  
 Singing bird, well described. There are no recent SBA records. This puts the record 1991 Spring seasonal total up to 246 species.

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### ABBREVIATIONS

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*	Pending acceptance by the Michigan Bird Records Committee.
Ba	Bay County
Hu	Huron County
Io	Iosco County
MCV Pond	Midland Cogeneration Venture Pond (formerly Consumer's Pond)
Mi	Midland County
NC	Nature Center
NWR	National Wildlife Refuge
Sa	Saginaw County
SBA	Saginaw Bay Area
SL	Sewage Lagoons
SP	State Park
tp	through period
Tu	Tuscola County