

BIRDS IN THE SAGINAW BAY AREA

August 1st, 2016 thru November 30th, 2016

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Summary: A total of 223 species from the Michigan Bird List were reported in the SBA this autumn, a notable break from the recent above average trend, and in fact, well below average. This report lists each species reported, along with the highest reported individual count for each, first and last date as applicable, and the SBA counties in which each was noted. One first ever SBA record was established this autumn (Vermilion Flycatcher), as well as three new county first records (Eared Grebe and Sabine's Gull in Huron, Vermilion Flycatcher in Tuscola). One new fall late date was established (Yellow Warbler). Four MBRC Review List species were reported (Glossy Ibis, Plegais sp., Ferruginous Hawk, and Vermilion Flycatcher). Overall observation coverage was slightly below the usual, but otherwise reports seemed adequate to compile a thorough report. Typically, Arenac and Huron counties could have used (and certainly deserve) a bit more coverage. Climatically (based on Saginaw data), the average temperature was above normal for all four months, with a new record high on November 18. August rainfall was above normal, but then precipitation remained below average for the balance of the season. There were several days in November cold enough to freeze shallow water, but the period ended essentially ice free. One point this report routinely illustrates is the importance of public lands to conservation and enjoyment of birds in the SBA. In particular this year, Fish Point SWA, after being under-visited for a decade or more, has enjoyed a rebirth of birder interest. This is great to see. Birders are encouraged to better recognize that the health of these areas, and indeed the management initiatives undertaken there, are directly related to funding. Simply put, more funding, and the source of these funds, means increased ability to maintain the land - to more effectively manage it and protect it from threats, such as invasive plant species. As birders you can be actively involved at several levels in making sure areas such as Fish Point are sufficiently funded. At the maximum, you can organize support groups, or join existing groups, that raise money for specific projects on specific areas. Minimally, you can purchase a Michigan Waterfowl Hunting License (\$12). You won't be using it to harvest birds, but the purchase will contribute to the health of the land that your pastime benefits so greatly from.

This report, as well as previous seasonal reports from 2000-2016, can be found at <http://www.saginawbaybirding.org>, along with updates on winter 2016-2017 migration in the Saginaw Bay Area, as reported to Joe Soehnel at saginawbaybirding@gmail.com.

***Many thanks to all observers who contributed their sightings directly to this compilation. Your efforts result in a significantly more accurate and thorough report.
And, as always, a special thanks to Joe Soehnel for his ongoing support.***

Species	Number	Date	Location	Observers / Comments
GRTR WHITE-FRNTD GOOSE:	1	10/20	Sanford Lake, Mi	RMD,VT - first date
	1	11/4	Standish SL, Ar	DLJ - 2 nd Arenac record
	8	11/25	SNWR, Sa	RAE
SNOW GOOSE:	1	9/28	SNWR, Sa	RAE - first date
	4	10/6	Kochville Twp., Sa	CS - also noted in Mi
CANADA GOOSE:	5716	11/14	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
MUTE SWAN:	19	10/10	Tobico Marsh, Ba	JMS - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
TRUMPETER SWAN:	28	10/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Io,Tu
TUNDRA SWAN:	1	9/23	SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date
	225	11/29	Spaulding Twp., Sa	JP - also noted in Hu,Tu
WOOD DUCK:	299	9/5	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
GADWALL:	576	10/28	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
AMERICAN WIGEON:	984	10/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
AMERICAN BLACK DUCK:	159	11/9	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi
MALLARD:	3918	11/14	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
BLUE-WINGED TEAL:	322	9/5	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
	6	10/28	SNWR, Sa	JMS - last date
NORTHERN SHOVELER:	293	10/28	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Tu
NORTHERN PINTAIL:	2	8/22	SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date
	766	10/21	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Mi,Tu
GREEN-WINGED TEAL:	1768	11/9	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
CANVASBACK:	1	10/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date
	10	11/21	Wild Fowl Bay, Hu	MKE - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
REDHEAD:	5288	11/20	Tawas Bay, Io	RAE - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
RING-NECKED DUCK:	3	8/17	Tuttle Marsh, Io	RAE - first date
	452	11/14	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
GREATER SCAUP:	1	10/1	Sanford Lake, Mi	RMD - first date
	1335	11/13	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Io,Sa
LESSER SCAUP:	3	9/23	Sanford Lake, Mi	RMD - first date
	50	11/14	FPSWA, Tu	MKE - also noted in Io,Sa
SCAUP SP:	520	10/30	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Hu

HARLEQUIN DUCK:

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Tawas Bay, lo

RAE et al. - a hen



There are enough historical autumn records of Harlequin Ducks in the SBA that it that Weeks considered a casual visitor in this time of year. But none have been documented as superbly as the hen that spent the last weeks of November in the near shore waters of Tawas Bay, lo. Thanks, Roger (Eriksson)!

SURF SCOTER:	4	10/15	Kawkawlin Twp., Ba	JMS - first date
	5	10/23	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS- also noted in Hu,lo
WHITE-WINGED SCOTER:	1	10/18	Tawas Bay, lo	RAE - first date
	13	11/13	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Hu
BLACK SCOTER:	1	10/23	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - first date
	7	11/6	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Hu,lo,Mi
LONG-TAILED DUCK:	3	10/18	Tawas Bay, lo	RAE - first date
	82	11/1	TPSP, lo	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Tu
BUFFLEHEAD:	1	10/12	SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date
	112	11/1	AuGres SL, Ar	JMS - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
COMMON GOLDENEYE:	5	10/26	Linwood, Ba	RAE - first date
	35	11/24	Tawas Bay, lo	RAE - also noted in Hu,Sa,Tu

HOODED MERGANSER:	35	11/28	Dow Ponds, Mi	JZ - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Sa,Tu
COMMON MERGANSER:	413	11/14	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,lo
RED-BREASTED MERGANSER:	4	10/10	BCSRA, Ba	JMS - first date
	438	11/16	Caseville, Hu	JMS - also noted in Mi,Sa,lo,Tu
RUDDY DUCK:	850	10/24	Dow Ponds, Mi	JZ - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa,Tu
RING-NECKED PHEASANT:	1	10/4	Akron Twp., Tu	MKE - also noted in Sa
RUFFED GROUSE:	2	11/2	Cooke Dam area, lo	WWS - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu
WILD TURKEY:	26	10/22	Kochville Twp., Sa	CS - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
RED-THROATED LOON:	2	11/1	TPSP, lo	JMS
COMMON LOON:	89	11/2	Tawas Bay, lo	RAE - also noted in Ba,Hu
PIED-BILLED GREBE:	248	9/27	Crow Island SGA, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
HORNED GREBE:	1	9/18	Sanford Lake, Mi	MKE - first date
	109	10/23	Tawas Bay, lo	RAE - also noted in Ba,Hu,Sa,Tu
RED-NECKED GREBE:	2	9/18	Sanford Lake, Mi	MKE - first date
	7	11/6	Tawas Bay, lo	RAE
EARED GREBE:	1	11/10	Port Austin, Hu	MKE -adult age - 1st Huron record
DOUBLE-CRSTD CORMORANT:	300+	8/26	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN:	25	10/24	Dow Ponds, Mi	MKE - also noted in Ba,Tu
	3	11/14	SNWR, Sa	JMS last date, here and in MI(JZ)
AMERICAN BITTERN:	4	9/2	Tuttle Marsh, lo	WWS - also noted in Tu
	1	10/3	Crow Island SGA, Sa	JMS - last date
LEAST BITTERN:	3	8/22	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in lo
	1	9/1	Bayport, Hu	JEV - last date
GREAT BLUE HERON:	57	8/1	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi,Tu
GREAT EGRET:	194	8/22	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
	1	11/17	Linwood, Ba	RAE - last date
SNOWY EGRET:	4	9/11	Crow Island SGA, Sa	SFK
	2	10/3	Crow Island SGA, Sa	JMS - last date
CATTLE EGRET:	5	8/1	SNWR, Sa	JMS
	5	8/11	BCSRA, Ba	JMS - also noted in Ar
	2	11/18	FPSWA, Tu	AC - last date
GREEN HERON:	11	8/20	Oil City area, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa,Tu
	1	10/5	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - last date

BLK-CROWND NIGHT- HERON:	42 1	8/1 11/9	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi JMS - last date
*GLOSSY IBIS:	1	9/21 - 10/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS,RAE,JP - immature - many photos - pending MBRC acceptance
*PLEGADIS SP:	1	11/25	SNWR, Sa	RAE - photos - pending MBRC acceptance
TURKEY VULTURE:	86 2	10/20 11/25	Greendale Twp., Mi Whitney Twp, Ar	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo,Sa,Tu RAE - last date
OSPREY:	2 1	8/3 9/11	Tuttle Marsh, lo SNWR, Sa	WWS - also noted in Mi DJP - last date
NORTHERN HARRIER:	8	10/6	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,lo,Tu
SHARP-SHINNED HAWK:	2	10/19	Linwood, Ba	MKE - also noted in lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
COOPER'S HAWK:	3	10/8	TPSP, lo	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Tu
NORTHERN GOSHAWK:	1	9/22	Rush Lake SGA, Hu	MKE - immature age
BALD EAGLE:	7	8/26	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo,Sa,Tu
RED-SHOULDERED HAWK:	3	10/3	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Tu
BROAD-WINGED HAWK:	5 1	8/26 10/9	NPSWA, Ba Saginaw Twp., Sa	MKE et.al. - also noted in Tu SFK - last date
RED-TAILED HAWK:	6	8/18	Columbia Twp., Tu	AC - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Sa
*FERRUGINOUS HAWK:	1	11/10	Akron Twp., Tu	MKE - pending MBRC acceptance
ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK:	1 4	9/23 11/16	Grindstone City, Hu Columbia Twp., Tu	MKE - first date AC - also noted in lo,Sa
GOLDEN EAGLE:	1	10/29	Port Austin, Hu	MKE
VIRGINIA RAIL:	16 1	8/1 10/15	SNWR, Sa BCSRA, Ba	JMS - also noted in Ar,lo,Tu JMS - last date
SORA:	11 1	8/11 9/18	BCSRA, Ba FPSWA, Tu	JMS - also noted in Ar,Sa,lo AC - last date
COMMON GALLINULE:	84 2	8/24 10/21	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in lo JMS - last date
AMERICAN COOT:	578	10/26	Crow Island SGA, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi,Tu
SANDHILL CRANE:	1108	11/9	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi,Tu

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER:	10	9/14	TPSP, Io	DLJ,DD - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu
	1	10/28	SNWR, Sa	JMS - last date



Doug Jackson's expertise at in-flight imaging not only results in splendid portraits, it offers us an opportunity to study and appreciate the physical aspects of birds on the wing that we typically only have a glimpse of in the field. Doug imaged this pair of Black-bellied Plovers at Tawas Point State Park, Io on September 20.

AMERICAN GOLDEN- PLOVER:	3	9/2	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date - also noted in Io
	46	9/16	Akron Twp., Tu	JMS
	1	10/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS - last date
SEMIPALMATED PLOVER:	14	9/11	Tuttle Marsh, Io	RAE - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu
	1	10/11	Tuttle Marsh, Io	RAE- last date
KILLDEER:	246	8/29	Pinconning Twp., Ba	RAE - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa
	14	11/7	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - last date

SPOTTED SANDPIPER:	15 1	8/1 9/24	SNWR, Sa Sanford Lake, Mi	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Tu JZ - last date
SOLITARY SANDPIPER:	14 1	8/1 9/23	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,lo,Tu JMS - last date
GREATER YELLOWLEGS:	26 4	9/23 11/4	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in lo JMS - last date
LESSER YELLOWLEGS:	60 1	9/23 10/28	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in lo,Tu JMS - last date
WHIMBREL:	1	9/4	Tuttle Marsh, lo	PO,MH
RUDDY TURNSTONE:	1	8/27	AuSable Twp, lo	TP
STILT SANDPIPER:	1 1	8/1 10/13	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date - also noted in lo JMS - last date
SANDERLING:	24 1	8/29 10/28	TPSP, lo Caseville, Hu	JMS KO - last date
DUNLIN:	1 19 3	9/29 10/28 11/14	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS,JP - first date JMS - also noted in lo,Mi JMS - last date
PURPLE SANDPIPER:	1	1/20	Harbor Beach, Hu	RR
BAIRD'S SANDPIPER:	1 2	8/14 9/8	Tuttle Marsh, lo Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - first date - also noted in Tu RAE - last date
LEAST SANDPIPER:	28 1	9/3 10/28	Tuttle Marsh, lo SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ba,Sa,Tu JMS - last date
PECTORAL SANDPIPER:	56 1	9/23 11/4	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in lo JMS - last date
SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER:	2	8/31	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - also noted in Ba,Mi,Sa
SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER:	15	9/29	SNWR, Sa	JMS,JP - also noted in lo
LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER:	1 9 3	9/23 10/21 11/9	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date JMS JMS - last date
DOWITCHER SP:	17	10/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS
WILSON'S SNIPE:	42 1	9/23 11/10	SNWR, Sa FPSWA, Tu	JEV - also noted in lo JEV - last date
AMERICAN WOODCOCK:	1	10/23	Cass City area, Tu	JP - last date - also noted in Hu,lo
RED-NECKED PHALAROPE:	1 1	8/15 9/11	SNWR, Sa Tuttle Marsh, lo	JMS RAE

SABINE'S GULL:	1	11/21	Caseville, Hu	MKE - 1 st Huron record
BONAPARTE'S GULL:	1	8/21	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - first date - juvenile
	3170	10/30	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Ar,Hu,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
FRANKLIN'S GULL:	1	11/2	Linwood, Ba	MKE - 1 st winter age
RING-BILLED GULL:	10284	10/30	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
HERRING GULL:	146	10/30	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Hu,lo,Tu
LESSER BLCK-BACKED GULL:	1	10/30	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - first date
	1	11/21	Caseville, Hu	MKE
GLAUCOUS GULL:	1	11/4	Linwood, Ba	MKE - first date
GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL:	1	10/5	TPSP, lo	JMS - first date
	2	10/30	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Hu
CASPIAN TERN:	35	8/26	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo,Sa
	1	10/1	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - last date
BLACK TERN:	4	8/15	SNWR, Sa	JMS,JZ - also last date - also noted in lo
COMMON TERN:	105	8/26	BCSRA, Ba	MKE et.al. - also noted in lo,Mi,Sa
	1	10/30	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - last date
FORSTER'S TERN:	12	8/19	Baldwin Twp., lo	RAE
	1	8/26	BCSRA, Ba	RMD - last date
ROCK PIGEON:	64	11/24	Saginaw, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu
MOURNING DOVE:	144	8/31	Columbia Twp., Tu	AC - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Sa
YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO:	1	8/1	SNWR, Sa	JMS
EASTERN SCREECH OWL:	4	10/6	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,Hu,Tu
GREAT HORNED OWL:	2	8/22	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - also noted in Sa,Tu
BARRED OWL:	1	11/12	TPSP, lo	JB - also noted in Ba,Hu,Sa
LONG-EARED OWL:	1	10/13	TPSP, lo	PO
SHORT-EARED OWL:	2	10/28	SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date
	4	11/14	SNWR, Sa	JMS
COMMON NIGHTHAWK:	48	9/12	SNWR, Sa	LMA - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
	4	10/6	SNWR, Sa	JMS - last date
EASTERN WHIP-POOR-WILL:	1	9/12	SNWR, Sa	DJP
CHIMNEY SWIFT:	307	9/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu
	4	9/29	SNWR, Sa	JMS,JP,RAE - last date

RUBY-THRTD HUMMINGBIRD:	5 1	8/5 10/4	CNC, Mi Dow Gardens, Mi	AC - also noted in Ba,lo,Tu ME - last date
BELTED KINGFISHER:	11	8/3	Tuttle Marsh, lo	WWS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu
RED-HEADED WOODPECKER:	4	8/22	Columbia Twp., Tu	AC - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi
RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER:	11	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Sa,Tu
YLLW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER:	6 1	9/10 10/22	Greendale Twp., Mi Columbia Twp., Tu	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Sa AC - last date
DOWNY WOODPECKER:	9	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Sa,Tu
HAIRY WOODPECKER:	6	10/15	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Sa,Tu
NORTHERN FLICKER:	21	8/28	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
PILEATED WOODPECKER:	4	9/2	AuSable SF, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN KESTREL:	3	8/14	Columbia Twp., Tu	AC - also noted in lo,Mi,Sa
MERLIN:	2	8/14	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
PEREGRINE FALCON:	2	10/17	Frankenlust Twp., Ba	JMS,TS - also noted in Ar,lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER:	1 2 2	8/10 8/22 9/22	Linwood, Ba Hampton Twp., Ba Akron Twp. Tu	MKE - first date JMS - also noted in lo,Sa MKE - last date
EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE:	8 8 8 1	8/15 8/22 9/1 9/22	SNWR, Sa Hampton Twp., Ba SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Hu,Mi,Tu JMS JP JEV - last date
YELLW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER:	1	8/26	NPSWA, Ba	MKE et.al.
WILLOW FLYCATCHER:	2 2 1	8/1 8/31 9/7	SNWR, Sa Columbia Twp., Tu FPSWA, Tu	JMS - also noted in AC MKE - last date
TRAILL'S FLYCATCHER:	1	9/12	Crow Island SGA, Sa	JMS - last date - also noted in Hu,Tu
LEAST FLYCATCHER:	1 1	9/2 9/23	AuSable SF, Mi FPSWA, Tu	RMD - also noted in Ba JEV - last date
EASTERN PHOEBE:	12 1	9/5 10/21	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu JMS - last date

*VERMILION FLYCATCHER: 1 11/15 FPSWA, Tu
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RR (11/15) MKE et.al. (11/16) -
1st SBA record - photographed - pending
 MBRC acceptance



The very first Vermilion Flycatcher to be observed in the Saginaw Bay Area, as imaged by Allen Chartier at Fish Point State Wildlife Area, Tuscola County, on November 16th.

GRT CRESTED FLYCATCHER:	6	8/1	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi
	1	9/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS - last date
EASTERN KINGBIRD:	15	8/24	FPSWA, Tu	AC - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa
	3	9/8	FPSWA, Tu	AC - last date
NORTHERN SHRIKE:	1	10/15	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - first date - also noted in Ar,Hu,Sa,Tu
YELLOW-THROATED VIREO:	4	9/2	AuSable SF, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,lo,Sa
	1	9/22	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - last date
BLUE-HEADED VIREO:	2	9/13	Beaver Twp., Ba	MKE - also noted in lo,Mi,Sa,Tu
	1	10/9	NPSWA, Ba	JZ - last date
WARBLING VIREO:	8	9/7	FPSWA, Tu	MKE - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi
	1	10/6	SNWR, Sa	JEV - last date

PHILADELPHIA VIREO:	1	8/24	TPSP, Io	RAE - first date
	1	9/2	AuSable SF, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Sa,Tu
	1	9/25	Tuttle Marsh, Io	RAE - last date
RED-EYED VIREO:	14	9/2	AuSable SF, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
	1	10/1	Pere Marquette Trail, Mi	RMD - last date
BLUE JAY:	226	9/24	TPSP, Io	RAE - also noted in Ba,Hu,Mi,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN CROW:	275	10/22	Columbia Twp., Tu	AC - also noted in Io,Mi,Sa
COMMON RAVEN:	3	9/2	AuSable Sf, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io
HORNED LARK:	184	10/28	Columbia Twp., Tu	AC - also noted in Io,Mi,Sa
N ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW:	6	8/24	FPSWA, Tu	AC
	3	9/28	SNWR, Sa	JMS,JP - last date
PURPLE MARTIN:	611	8/26	Akron Twp., Tu	AC - also noted in Ba,Io
	7	9/16	Akron Twp., Tu	JMS - last date
TREE SWALLOW:	1400	10/6	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Tu
	30	10/21	SNWR, Sa	JMS - last date
BANK SWALLOW:	40	8/24	FPSWA, Tu	AC
	12	9/5	Crow Island SGA, Sa	RAE - last date
CLIFF SWALLOW:	15	8/2	Dutch Creek, Ba	JP - also noted in Tu
	5	9/14	SNWR, Sa	JP - last date
BARN SWALLOW:	174	8/24	FPSWA, Tu	AC - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa
	1	10/11	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - last date
BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE:	100	8/22	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
TUFTED TITMOUSE:	15	10/1	Vets Memorial Park, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH:	12	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH:	9	8/22	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
BROWN CREEPER:	5	10/1	Vets Memorial Park, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
HOUSE WREN:	5	8/2	Beaver Twp., Ba	MKE - also noted in Ar,Sa,Tu
	1	10/1	Pere Marquette Trail, Mi	RMD - last date
WINTER WREN:	1	9/16	Wisner Twp., Tu	JMS - first date - also noted in Ba,Sa
	5	10/15	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also last date
SEDGE WREN:	2	8/8	SNWR, Sa	JMS
	2	10/6	SNWR, Sa	JMS - last date
MARSH WREN:	9	9/13	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Mi,Tu
	1	10/10	NPSWA, Ba	MKE - last date

CAROLINA WREN:	1	11/22	Midland, Mi	JZ
BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER:	2	8/28	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - also noted in Ba,Mi,Sa
	1	9/8	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - last date
GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET:	22	10/15	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Tu
RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET:	3	9/19	Baldwin Twp., lo	RAE - first date
	9	10/15	Greendale Twp, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Tu
	1	10/22	Kochville Twp., Sa	CS - last date, here and at SNWR (DJP)
EASTERN BLUEBIRD:	39	9/18	Sanford Lake, Mi	MKE - also noted in Ba,Hu,Sa,Tu
VEERY:	2	8/20	Oil City area, Mi	RMD - also noted in lo
	2	9/2	AuSable SF, Mi	RMD - last date
GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH:	1	9/1	FPSWA, Tu	MKE - first date - also noted in Ar,lo
	1	9/22	FPSWA,Tu	JEV - last date
SWAINSON'S THRUSH:	3	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,lo,Tu
	1	10/9	Fraser Twp., Ba	JZ - last date
HERMIT THRUSH:	4	10/15	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Tu
	1	11/18	TPSP, lo	RAE - last date
WOOD THRUSH:	2	9/8	FPSWA, Tu	AC - also noted in Mi
	1	9/21	FPSWA, Tu	JP - last date
AMERICAN ROBIN:	121	9/8	FPSWA, Tu	AC - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Mi,Sa
GRAY CATBIRD:	17	9/2	AuSable SF, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Sa
	1	10/19	FPSWA, Tu	AC - last date
BROWN THRASHER:	2	9/7	FPSWA, Tu	MKE - also noted in Ar,Hu,lo,Mi
	1	10/1	Kam Plant, Ba	JMS - last date
EUROPEAN STARLING:	3600	10/19	FPSWA, Tu	AC - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo
AMERICAN PIPIT:	29	9/22	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - first date
	165	10/11	Wurtsmith Airport, lo	RAE- also noted in Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu
CEDAR WAXWING:	50+	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Sa,Tu
LAPLAND LONGSPUR:	1	9/22	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - first date
	47	11/18	Columbia Twp., Tu	AC
SNOW BUNTING:	3	10/19	Grindstone City, Hu	MKE - first date
	860	11/14	FPSWA, Tu	MKE - also noted in Ba,lo,Sa
OVENBIRD:	1	8/25	Beaver Twp., Ba	MKE
	1	9/8	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - last date
NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH:	1	8/1	Oil City Marsh, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,lo
	1	10/1	Pere Marquette Trail, Mi	RMD - last date

BLUE-WINGED WARBLER:	1	8/24	Jasper Twp., Mi	RMD,CW - last date
GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER:	2	8/22	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD
	1	8/26	Beaver Twp., Ba	RMD et.al. - last date
BLACK & WHITE WARBLER:	6	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,lo,Sa
	1	10/1	Tittabawassee Trail, Mi	RMD - last date
TENNESSEE WARBLER:	1	8/24	TPSP, lo	RAE - first date
	3	9/8	FPSWA, Tu	AC - also noted in Ar,Sa
	1	10/1	Pere Marquette Trail, Mi	RMD - last date
ORANGE-CROWND WARBLER:	1	9/21	FPSWA, Tu	JP - first date
	4	10/1	Tawas Bay, lo	RAE - also noted in Ba,Mi,Sa
	2	10/12	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - last date
NASHVILLE WARBLER:	5	8/21	Baldwin Twp., lo	RAE - also noted in Ar,Hu,Mi,Sa
	1	10/9	Cass City area, Tu	JP - last date
CONNECTICUT WARBLER:	1	9/11	Spaulding Twp., Sa	JDS
COMMON YELLOWTHROAT:	21	9/2	AuSable SF, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Sa,Tu
	1	10/12	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - last date
AMERICAN REDSTART:	18	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Sa,Tu
	1	10/8	TPSP, lo	RAE - last date
CAPE MAY WARBLER:	2	8/22	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - first date, here and in Mi (RMD)
	4	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,lo,Tu
	1	9/22	SNWR, Sa	JEV - last date
NORTHERN PARULA:	1	8/17	TPSP, lo	RAE - first date
	5	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Sa,Tu
	5	9/11	Wigwam Bay SGA, Ar	DLJ
	1	10/1	Pere Marquette Trail, Mi	RMD - last date
MAGNOLIA WARBLER:	6	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Sa,Tu
	2	10/1	Vets Memorial Park, Mi	RMD - last date
BAY-BREASTED WARBLER:	1	8/25	Tuttle Marsh, lo	RAE - first date
	6	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Sa,Tu
	3	9/28	Hampton Twp., Ba	JMS - last date
BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER:	2	8/22	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in lo
	1	9/22	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - last date
YELLOW WARBLER:	4	8/26	NPSWA, Ba	MKE et.al. - also noted in Ar,Hu,lo,Mi,Sa
	1	11/16	FPSWA, Tu	MKE et.al. - last date New SBA fall late, by 49 days!

CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER:	3	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,lo
	1	9/22	FPSWA, Tu	JEV - last date



The Chestnut-sided Warbler in fall plumage is as distinctive as it is in the spring. As a whole, warblers migrating through the SBA this autumn were well represented in total species, and in the expected ratio of abundance, but peak counts were low.

BLACKPOLL WARBLER:	1	8/17	TPSP, lo	RAE - first date
	12	9/19	Baldwin Twp., lo	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Tu
	1	10/6	SNWR, Sa	JEV - last date
BLK-THRTD BLUE WARBLER:	1	9/1	FPSWA, Tu	MKE - first date
	2	9/2	AuSable SF, Mi	RMD
	2	9/10	Greendale Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba
	1	10/1	Pere Marquette Trail, Mi	RMD - last date
PALM WARBLER:	1	9/11	TPSP, lo	RAE - first date
	14	9/28	SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi
	4	10/13	Columbia Twp., Tu	AC - last date
PINE WARBLER:	4	8/21	Baldwin Twp., lo	RAE - also noted in Ba,Tu
	1	10/1	Vets Memorial Park, Mi	RMD - last date

YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER:	33 4	8/25 10/22	Tuttle Marsh, Io Columbia Twp., Tu	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa AC - last date
BLK-THRTD GREEN WARBLER:	6 1	9/10 10/1	Greendale Twp., Mi Vets Memorial Park, Mi	RMD - also noted in Io,Sa,Tu RMD - last date
CANADA WARBLER:	2 1	8/26 8/28	BCSRA, Ba Tuttle Marsh, Io	MKE et.al. - also noted in Mi RAE - last date
WILSON'S WARBLER:	1 2 2 1	8/29 9/10 9/11 10/1	Alabaster Twp., Io Greendale Twp., Mi TPSP, Io Tittabawassee Trail, Mi	RAE - first date RMD - also noted in Ba,Tu RAE RMD - last date
EASTERN TOWHEE:	13 1	9/2 10/3	AuSable SF, Mi Crow Island SGA, Sa	RMD JMS - last date
AMERICAN TREE SPARROW:	4 85	10/12 11/9	Tuttle Marsh, Io SNWR, Sa	RAE - first date JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Mi,Tu
CHIPPING SPARROW:	19 2	8/20 10/13	SNWR, Sa Columbia Twp., Tu	DJP - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Mi AC - last date
CLAY-COLORED SPARROW:	1	9/19	TPSP, Io	DLJ
FIELD SPARROW:	1 1	9/11 10/15	Columbia Twp, Tu Greendale Twp., Mi	AC - also noted in Sa RMD - last date
VESPER SPARROW:	4 4 1	9/14 9/21 10/19	NPSWA, Ba Jasper Twp., Mi Akron Twp., Tu	MKE RMD MKE - last date
SAVANNAH SPARROW:	47 6	10/12 10/28	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Tu JMS - last date
FOX SPARROW:	3 3 1	9/30 10/15 10/30	Pinconning Twp., Ba SNWR, Sa Saginaw, Sa	MKE - first date DJP - also noted in Tu DJP - last date
SONG SPARROW:	16	10/20	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
LINCOLN'S SPARROW:	8 1	9/30 10/13	SNWR, Sa Columbia Twp., Tu	KM - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi AC - last date
SWAMP SPARROW:	26	10/12	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Tu
WHITE-THROATED SPARROW:	43 5	9/23 10/22	Grindstone City, Hu Columbia Twp., Tu	MKE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Sa AC - last date
HARRIS'S SPARROW:	1	10/20	Verona SGA, Hu	MKE
WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW:	1 71	9/23 10/18	Sand Point, Hu TPSP, Io	MKE - first date, here and in Mi (RMD) RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Sa

DARK-EYED JUNCO:	2 49	9/22 10/15	FPSWA, Tu Greendale Twp., Mi	MKE - first migrant date RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Sa
SCARLET TANAGER:	1 1	8/24 9/22	TPSP, Io FPSWA, Tu	RAE - also noted in Ba,Mi,Sa JEV - last date
NORTHERN CARDINAL:	14	10/1	Pere Marquette Trail, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ba,Hu,Io,Sa,Tu
ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK:	7 1	8/2 9/23	Beaver Twp., Ba Laur Big Salt River Park, Mi	MKE - also noted in Ar,Sa,Tu RMD - last date
INDIGO BUNTING:	18 1	8/8 10/12	SNWR, Sa Homer Twp., Mi	JMS - also noted in Ba,Io,Tu MKE - immature male - last date
BOBOLINK:	967 4	8/29 10/6	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS,RAE - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi,Tu JMS - last date
RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD:	14510 75	10/19 11/16	Linwood, Ba Columbia Twp., Tu	MKE - also noted in Hu,Mi,Sa AC - last date
EASTERN MEADOWLARK:	2 1	9/23 10/8	Grindstone City, Hu Dow Ponds, Mi	MKE - also noted in Sa SF - last date
ESTRN / WSTRN MEADOWLRK:	2	10/19	Linwood, Ba	MKE - last date, here and in Sa (DJP)
YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD:	1	10/6	FPSWA, Tu	AC
RUSTY BLACKBIRD:	20 552 2	9/22 10/29 11/16	Rush Lake SGA, Hu Columbia Twp., Tu FPSWA, Tu	MKE - first date AC - also noted in Io,Mi,Sa AC,JMS - last date
BREWER'S BLACKBIRD:	4 1 2	9/2 9/18 9/23	Hampton Twp., Ba Bridgeport Twp., Ba Rubicon Twp., Hu	JMS LMA MKE
COMMON GRACKLE:	3680	10/28	Columbia Twp., Tu	AC - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Sa
BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD:	272	10/19	FPSWA, Tu	AC - also noted in Io,Sa
ORCHARD ORIOLE:	1	9/22	FPSWA, Tu	MKE - last date
BALTIMORE ORIOLE:	6 6 1	8/22 8/24 9/13	Greendale Twp., Mi FPSWA, Tu Beaver Twp., Ba	RMD - also noted in Io,Sa AC MKE - last date
HOUSE FINCH:	83	11/29	Kochville Twp., Sa	CS - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu
PURPLE FINCH:	2	10/29	TPSP, Io	JEV - also noted in Ar,Mi,Tu
RED CROSSBILL:	1	10/23	Wilbur Twp., Io	SB
WHITE-WINGED CROSSBILL:	2	11/10	Beaver Twp., Ba	LK - females
PINE SISKIN:	55	11/25	Columbia Twp., Tu	AC - also noted in Ba,Mi

AMERICAN GOLDFINCH:	119	8/24	FPSWA, Tu	AC - also noted in Ar,Ba,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa
HOUSE SPARROW:	80	8/26	Akron Twp., Tu	AC - also noted in Ar,Hu,Io,Mi,Sa

TOTAL: 223 Species

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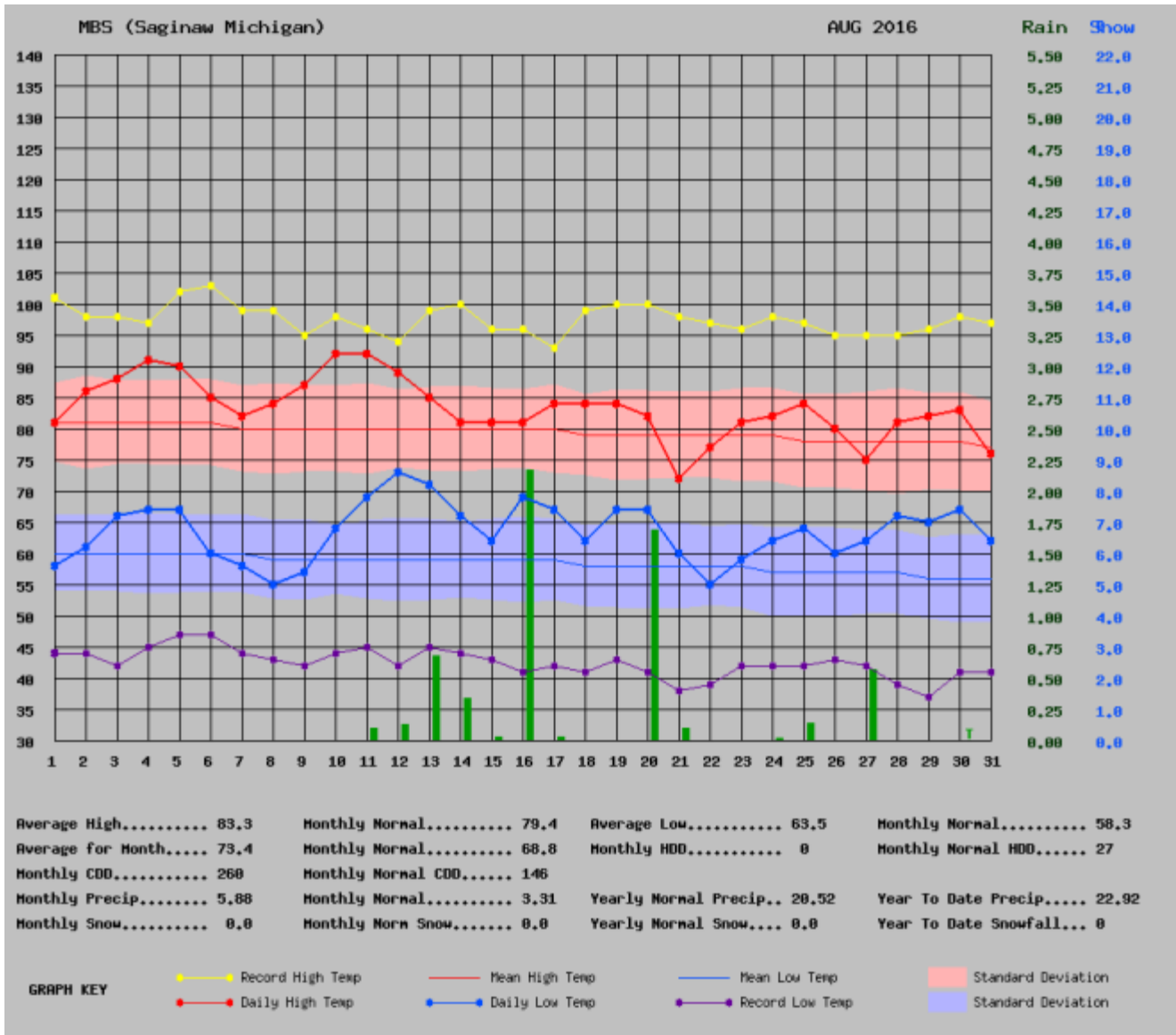
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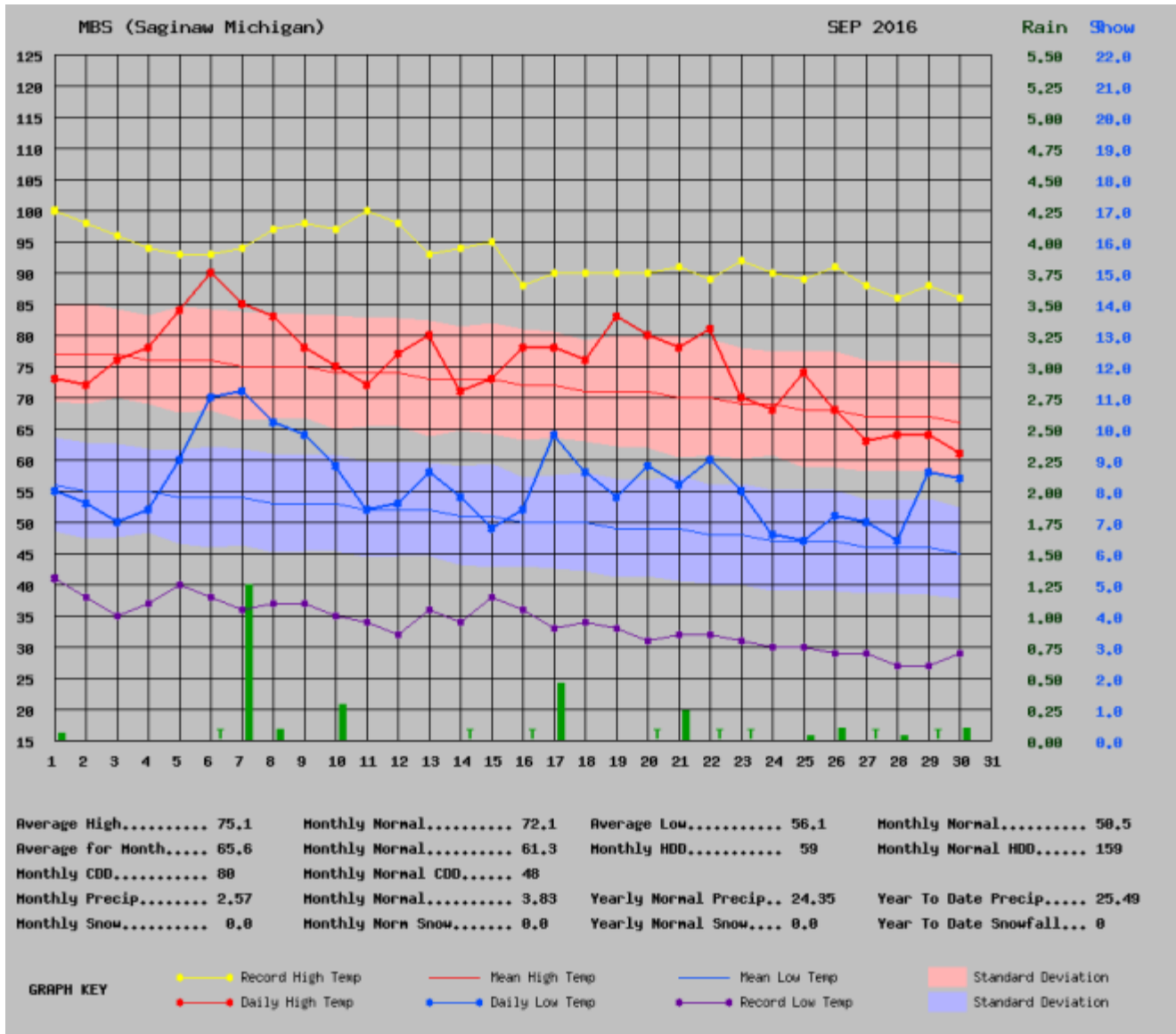
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Ba	Bay County	Sa	Saginaw County
BCSRA	Bay City State Recreation Area	SBB.org	SaginawBayBirding.org
CNC	Chippewa Nature Center	SBA	Saginaw Bay Area
FPSWA	Fish Point State Wildlife Area	SL	Sewage Lagoon
Hu	Huron County	SF	State Forest
Io	Iosco County	SGA	State Game Area
MBRC	Michigan Bird Records Committee	SNWR	Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge
MCV	Midland Cogeneration Venture	tp	throughout entire or remainder of period
Mi	Midland County	TPSP	Tawas Point State Park
NPSWA	Nayanquing Point State Wildlife Area	Tu	Tuscola County

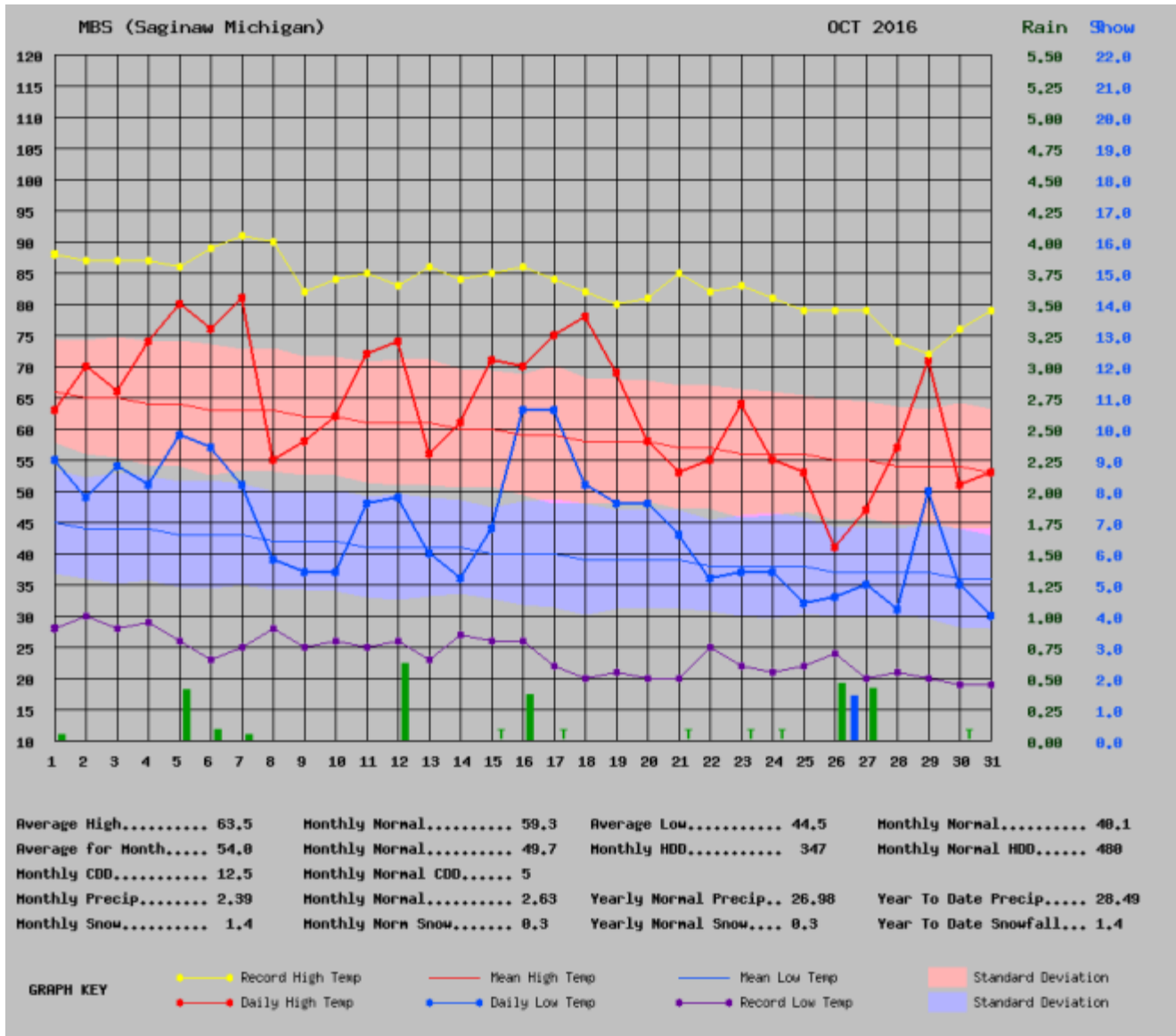
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