

# Birds in the Saginaw Bay Area

## June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 thru July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2013

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**Summary:** A total of 201 species from the Michigan Bird List were reported in the Saginaw Bay Area this summer, the highest since 1993, and the third highest total over the period of last 24 years. This report lists each of these species, along with the highest reported individual count(s) for each, and a list of the SBA counties in which each was noted. Last departure dates and first arrival dates are listed for species that aren't present during the breeding season. Observer coverage was very good this summer for all counties except Tuscola and Huron, where it was good, and not so good, respectively. This summer's report illustrates particularly well the significance of a number of locations to the conservation of birdlife in the SBA - The Au Sable State Forest in west central Midland County for its extensive breeding songbird populations, Tawas Point State Park in Iosco County for its nesting Piping Plovers, Shiawassee NWR in Saginaw County for its nesting and migrating waterbirds, and the Huron Manistee National Forest in Iosco for hosting a number of species not nesting anywhere else in the SBA. Two new all-time SBA peak counts were established, as was one summer high count, and three spring late dates. One MBRC review list species was reported.

*This report, as well as previous seasonal reports from 2000-2012, can be found at <http://www.saginawbaybirding.org.>, along with updates on fall 2013 migration in the Saginaw Bay Area, as reported to Joe Soehnel at [soehnelj@gmail.com](mailto:soehnelj@gmail.com) or at 989-892-3687.*

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



**Great Egret represented a most notable species in the SBA this summer, not for reasons of rarity, but for an unprecedented and inexplicable abundance at Shiawassee NWR.  
Photo by Roger A. Eriksson  
July 25, 2013**

<b>Species</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Observers / Comment</b>
CANADA GOOSE:	129	7/28	SNWR, Sa	JDS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
MUTE SWAN:	4	7/28	BCSRA, Ba	GSP,EMP - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Sa
TRUMPETER SWAN:	2	6/1	NPSWA, Ba	DLJ
	2	6/16	Kawkawlin R. Flooding, Mi	RMD,VT,KG
	2	6/17 - 6/28	Tuttle Marsh, Io	WWS,TS,RAE,JMS,RMD
	1	6/18 tp	SNWR, Sa	DJP,JDS,RAE,JMS
WOOD DUCK:	184	7/23	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
GADWALL:	3	6/21	SNWR, Sa	RMD
AMERICAN WIGEON:	5	7/22	SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ar
AMERICAN BLACK DUCK:	2	6/18	SNWR, Sa	DJP
MALLARD:	458	6/28	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Tu
BLUE-WINGED TEAL:	14	7/26	Tuttle Marsh, Io	RAE - also noted in Mi,Sa
NORTHERN SHOVELER:	3	6/6	SNWR, Sa	JEV - also noted in Io
NORTHERN PINTAIL:	1	6/9	BCSRA, Ba	GSP,EMP
GREEN-WINGED TEAL:	75	7/13	SNWR, Sa	JDS - also noted in Io
RING-NECKED DUCK:	1	6/6	SNWR, Sa	JEV
REDHEAD:	3	6/16	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD,VT,KG
LESSER SCAUP:	2	6/16	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD,VT,KG
BUFFLEHEAD:	1	6/16	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD,VT,KG
HOODED MERGANSER:	21	6/21	SNWR, Sa	RMD - also noted in Io
COMMON MERGANSER:	5	6/30	Alabaster Twp., Io	JMS
RUDDY DUCK:	32	6/7	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Mi
RING-NECKED PHEASANT:	1	7/12	SNWR, Sa	JZ - also noted in Tu
RUFFED GROUSE:	2	7/9	Au Gres Twp., Ar	JZ - also noted in Mi
WILD TURKEY:	17	7/3	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Io,Sa,Tu
COMMON LOON:	1	7/4	Tuttle Marsh, Io	RAE
PIED-BILLED GREBE:	39	7/29	SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ba,Mi
DOUBLE-CRSTD CORMORANT:	800	7/29	Au Gres, Ar	RAE - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi,Sa

AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN:	24	6/18 - 6/19	SNWR, Sa	DJP,RAE,JMS - a few individuals from this flock remained through the end of the period
AMERICAN BITTERN:	3	6/8	SNWR, Sa	LMA,CS,MB - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi
LEAST BITTERN:	3	7/13	SNWR, Sa	JDS - also noted in Ba,Mi,Tu
GREAT BLUE HERON:	122	7/23	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
GREAT EGRET:	<b>816</b>	7/5	SNWR, Sa	DJP - <b>new SBA peak count</b> - one color leg-banded bird noted, banded 2001-2010 in southern Ontario - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi
CATTLE EGRET:	2 8	7/23 7/29	SNWR, Sa Bangor Twp., Ba	DJP,JMS JMS
GREEN HERON:	13	7/25	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
BLK-CROWND NIGHT- HERON:	31	7/3	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi
TURKEY VULTURE:	21	7/2	Arenac Twp., Ar	JZ - also noted in Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
OSPREY:	6	7/21	Tuttle Marsh, Io	WWS,TS - also noted in Mi,Sa
BALD EAGLE:	16	6/8	Au Gres Twp., Ar	DLJ - also noted in Ba,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
NORTHERN HARRIER:	2	6/28	Wurtsmith Airport, Io	RAE,JMS,RMD - also noted in Ba
SHARP-SHINNED HAWK:	1	7/5	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV - also noted in Io
COOPER'S HAWK:	2	7/28	CNC, Mi	JMS - also noted in Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
NORTHERN GOSHAWK:	1	7/2	Plainfield Twp., Io	JZ,MM - nesting
RED-SHOULDERED HAWK:	4	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Io,Sa,Tu
BROAD-WINGED HAWK:	2	6/26	Oil City area, Mi	RMD - also noted in Io,Tu
RED-TAILED HAWK:	4	7/10	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
VIRGINIA RAIL:	1	6/8	SNWR, Sa	JZ - also noted in Io
SORA:	2	7/10	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Mi
COMMON GALLINULE:	23	7/25	SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ba,Io
AMERICAN COOT:	104	7/28	SNWR, Sa	JDS - also noted in Io
SANDHILL CRANE:	84	6/21	SNWR, Sa	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER:	2 1	6/18 7/13	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date JDS - first date
SEMIPALMATED PLOVER:	2 6 28	6/8 7/25 7/28	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	RAE - last date DJP - first date JDS - also noted in Ba

PIPING PLOVER:	11	7/11	TPSP, Io	DLJ - the observer noted that he was able to identify at least 15 different PIPL at this location this summer.
KILLDEER:	141	7/18	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
*BLACK-NECKED STILT:	2	6/5-6/14	SNWR, Sa	many obs. - through from last day of spring period - confirmed on 6/13 as a male and a female (DJP) - pending MBRC acceptance
AMERICAN AVOCET:	1	7/27	Dow Ponds, MI	JH
SPOTTED SANDPIPER:	22	7/14	TPSP, Io	DLJ - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu
SOLITARY SANDPIPER:	2 12	7/12 7/17	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date DJP - also noted in Ba
GREATER YELLOWLEGS:	2	<b>6/18</b>	SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date - <b>new SBA spring late date</b>
	1 7	7/11 7/29	TPSP, Io SNWR, Sa	DLJ - first date RAE - also noted in Ar,Io
LESSER YELLOWLEGS:	1	6/18	SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date
	6	7/8	Pt. Au Gres, Ar	DLJ - first date
	199	7/28	SNWR, Sa	JDS - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi
UPLAND SANDPIPER:	1	6/8	Bridgeport Twp., Sa	LMA,CS,MB
WHIMBREL:	1	<b>6/13</b>	TPSP, Io	DLJ - last date - <b>new SBA spring late date</b>
HUDSONIAN GODWIT:	1	<b>6/18</b>	SNWR, Sa	DJP - <b>new SBA spring late or first SBA record for a summer straggler</b>
MARbled GODWIT:	1	6/18	SNWR, Sa	DJP
RUDdy TURNSTONE:	1	6/10	SNWR, Sa	DJP - last date
SANDERLING:	2	6/5	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD,JMS - last date
	1	7/14	TPSP, Io	DLJ - first date
	3	7/24	TPSP, Io	DLJ - also noted in Ba
SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER:	2	6/5	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD,JMS - last date
	28	7/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date
	55	7/25	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ba
LEAST SANDPIPER:	3	7/3	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - first date
	71	7/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io
PECTORAL SANDPIPER:	4	7/11	TPSP, Io	DLJ - first date
	23	7/25	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io
DUNLIN:	1	6/5	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD,JMS- last date
STILT SANDPIPER:	7	7/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - first date
	50	7/28	SNWR, Sa	JDS

SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER:	8 33	7/8 7/17	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	JMS - first date DJP- also noted in Ba
WILSON'S SNIPE:	14	7/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Io,Tu
AMERICAN WOODCOCK:	2	7/19	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV
WILSON'S PHALAROPE:	1	7/28	SNWR, Sa	JDS - juvenile age
BONAPARTE'S GULL:	36	7/11	Pt. Au Gres, Ar	DLJ - also noted in Ba,Mi
RING-BILLED GULL:	36	7/29	SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
HERRING GULL:	10	7/29	Dow Ponds, Mi	JZ - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa
CASPIAN TERN:	45	7/23	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi
COMMON TERN:	30	6/5	Dow Ponds, Mi	RMD,JMS - also noted in Ba,Io,Sa
FORSTER'S TERN:	32	7/29	Au Gres, Ar	RAE - also noted in Ba
BLACK TERN:	78	6/20	Tawas Lake, Io	EC - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Sa
ROCK PIGEON:	12	6/1	Bay City, Ba	GSP,EMP - also noted in Io,Mi,Sa
MOURNING DOVE:	30	6/25	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO:	1	7/21	Tuttle Marsh, Io	WWS,TS - also noted in Sa,Tu
YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO:	1	6/5	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD,JMS - also noted in Io,Tu
EASTERN SCREECH-OWL	2	6/25	Saginaw, Sa	DJP - also noted in Tu
GREAT HORNED OWL:	1	6/16	Bangor Twp., Ba	EMP,GSP - also noted in Mi,Sa
COMMON NIGHTHAWK:	2	7/26	Pine Barrens, Io	WWS,TS - also noted in Sa
BARRED OWL:	1	7/2	Oil City, Mi	RMD
EASTERN WHIP-POOR-WILL:	6+	6/14	Au Sable Twp., Mi	RMD
CHIMNEY SWIFT:	16	7/9	Saginaw, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ba,Tu
RUBY-THRTD HUMMINGBIRD:	6	7/28	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Sa
BELTED KINGFISHER:	6	7/25	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
RED-HEADED WOODPECKER:	6	7/21	Pine Barrens, Io	WWS,TS - also noted Ar
RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER:	4	7/22	Bangor Twp., Ba	EMP,GSP - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
YELLW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER:	5	7/3	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Io,Sa,Tu
DOWNY WOODPECKER:	5	7/28	Bangor Twp., Ba	EMP,GSP - also noted in Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
HAIRY WOODPECKER:	4	7/31	Bangor Twp., Ba	EMP,GSP - also noted in Io,Mi,Sa
NORTHERN FLICKER:	12	7/27	Pine Barrens, Io	WWS,RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu
PILEATED WOODPECKER:	1	7/28	Bangor Twp., Ba	EMP,GSP - also noted in Ar,Mi,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN KESTREL:	4	7/17	Spaulding Twp., Sa	DJP - also noted in Ba,Io
MERLIN:	1	7/30	NPSWA, Ba	GSP,EMP - 1 <sup>st</sup> summer record for Ba, also noted in Io (again) this period, perhaps indicating a southward summering trend for

this species(GSP).

PEREGRINE FALCON:	1	7/18	SNWR, Sa	JMS - immature age
EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE:	13	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Sa
YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHR:	1	6/1	Alabaster Twp., lo	JMS
ACADIAN FLYCATCHER:	5	6/15	Murphy Lake SGA, Tu	RMD,VT,MWi - also noted in Mi,Sa
ALDER FLYCATCHER:	3	6/19	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,lo
WILLOW FLYCATCHER:	8	7/23	SNWR, Sa	JMS - also noted in Ar,Mi
LEAST FLYCATCHER:	3	7/3	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Sa
EASTERN PHOEBE:	7	7/9	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ba,lo,Mi,Tu
GRT CRESTED FLYCATCHER:	6	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Sa,Tu
EASTERN KINGBIRD:	8	7/27	Pine Barrens, lo	WWS,RAE- also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu
YELLOW-THROATED VIREO:	5	6/5	Pine Haven, Mi	RMD,JMS - also noted in Ar,lo,Sa
BLUE-HEADED VIREO:	3	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in lo
WARBLING VIREO:	16	6/15	SNWR, Sa	RMD,VT,MW,MWi - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo
RED-EYED VIREO:	20	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Sa,Tu
BLUE JAY:	6	6/15	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Sa
AMERICAN CROW:	up to 60	tp	Midland, Mi	JZ - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Sa,Tu
COMMON RAVEN:	4	6/28	Huron/Manistee National Forest, lo	RAE,JMS,RMD
HORNED LARK:	15	7/12	SNWR, Sa	JZ - also noted in Ba,Mi
PURPLE MARTIN:	14	7/20	TPSP, lo	JMS - also noted in Ba,Hu,lo
TREE SWALLOW:	504	7/22	SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,lo,Mi,Tu
N ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW:	145	7/29	SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ba
BANK SWALLOW:	1350+	7/26	Kawkawlin Twp., Ba	RAE - also noted in Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu
CLIFF SWALLOW:	116	6/23	Alabaster Twp., lo	JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu

BARN SWALLOW:	176	7/28	Karn Plant, Ba	JMS - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE:	12	tp	Midland, Mi	JZ - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
TUFTED TITMOUSE:	4	tp	Midland, Mi	JZ - also noted in Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH:	3	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Io,Tu
WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH:	4	tp	Midland, Mi	JZ - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
BROWN CREEPER:	1	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Sa
CAROLINA WREN:	1	6/8	Bridgeport Twp., Sa	LMA,CS,MB - noted as nesting in Mi (RMD)
HOUSE WREN:	4	7/24	BCSRA, Ba	EMP,GSP - also noted in Ar,Io,Sa,Tu
WINTER WREN:	1	7/6	Omer Plains, Ar	DLJ,SG
	1	7/21	Iargo Springs, Io	JMS
SEDGE WREN:	4	6/22	Portsmouth Twp., Ba	JMS - also noted in Mi
MARSH WREN:	64	7/10	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER:	5	6/15	SNWR, Sa	RMD,VT,MW,MWi - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi
EASTERN BLUEBIRD:	8	7/26	Pine Barrens, Io	WWS,TS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu
VEERY:	<b>50</b>	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - <b>new SBA peak count</b> - also noted in Ar,Io,Tu
HERMIT THRUSH:	10	6/28	Huron/Manistee National Forest, Io	RAE,JMS,RMD - also noted in Mi
WOOD THRUSH:	4	6/12	Deford SGA, Tu	JEV - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Sa
AMERICAN ROBIN:	40	7/27	Pine Barrens, Io	WWS,RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi,Sa,Tu
GRAY CATBIRD:	23	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD:	1	6/23	Fraser Twp., Ba	JMS - also noted in Mi
	1	7/21	Tuttle Marsh, Io	WWS,TS
BROWN THRASHER:	17	7/27	Pine Barrens, Io	WWS,RAE - also noted in Ar,Mi,Sa,Tu
EUROPEAN STARLING:	48	6/18	Murphy Lake SGA, Tu	EMP,MW - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Sa
AMERICAN PIPIT:	1	6/13	TPSP, Io	DLJ - last date
CEDAR WAXWING:	40	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
OVENBIRD:	13	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Io,Tu
GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER:	1	6/2	Moffatt Twp., Ar	DLJ - also noted in Io,Mi
BLUE-WINGED WARBLER:	2	6/8	Omer Plains, Ar	DLJ - also noted in Mi,Sa,Tu



BLACK & WHITE WARBLER:	1	6/8	Au Gres Twp., Ar	DLJ - also noted in Io,Mi
PROTHONOTARY WARBLER:	2	6/8	SNWR, Sa	LMA,CS,MB
TENNESSEE WARBLER:	1	7/17	SNWR, Sa	DJP - singing - 2 <sup>nd</sup> earliest SBA fall date
NASHVILLE WARBLER:	11	6/28	Huron/Manistee National Forest, Io	RAE,JMS,RMD - also noted in Ar,Mi
MOURNING WARBLER:	4	6/8	Au Gres Twp., Ar	DLJ - also noted in Io,Mi
COMMON YELLOWTHROAT:	42	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
HOODED WARBLER:	1	6/24	Hume Twp., Hu	MKE
AMERICAN REDSTART:	14	6/5	Pine Haven, Mi	RMD,JMS - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
KIRTLAND'S WARBLER:	4	6/28	Huron/Manistee National Forest, Io	RAE.JMS,RMD
CERULEAN WARBLER:	2	7/9	Au Gres Twp., Ar	JZ - also noted in Mi
NORTHERN PARULA:	1	6/1-6/23	Alabaster Twp., Io	JMS - a singing male
YELLOW WARBLER:	33	6/15	SNWR, Sa	RMD,VT,MW,MWi - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER:	6	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Io,Tu
BLACKPOLL WARBLER:	1	6/9	TPSP, Io	DLJ - last date
PINE WARBLER:	11	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Io
YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER:	2	7/4	Tuttle Marsh, Io	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba
BLK-THRTD GREEN WARBLER:	2	6/15	Murphy Lake SGA, Tu	RMD,JMS - also noted in Io,Mi
CANADA WARBLER:	1	6/2	Moffatt Twp., Ar	DLJ - also noted in Io
EASTERN TOWHEE:	31	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Io,Tu
CHIPPING SPARROW:	6	7/5	Koylton Twp., Tu	JEV - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa
CLAY-COLORED SPARROW:	10	6/8	Alabaster Twp., Io	DLJ - also noted in Ar,Mi
FIELD SPARROW:	7	6/5	CNC, Mi	JMS - also noted in Ar,Io,Sa,Tu
VESPER SPARROW:	13	7/26	Pine Barrens, Io	WWS,TS - also noted in Ar,Mi,Sa
SAVANNAH SPARROW:	19	7/3	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
GRASSHOPPER SPARROW:	7	6/28	Wurtsmith Airport, Io	RAE,JMS,RMD - also noted in Mi,Sa,Tu
HENSLow'S SPARROW:	4	6/28	Alabaster Twp., Io	JMS,RMD - also noted in Ar,Mi
SONG SPARROW:	33	7/21	SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu

LINCOLN'S SPARROW:	1	6/28	Huron/Manistee National Forest, Io	RAE,JMS,RMD
SWAMP SPARROW:	23	7/21	SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi
WHITE-THROATED SPARROW:	4	7/6	Omer Plains, Ar	DLJ,SG
WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW:	1	6/7	Baldwin Twp., Io	RAE
DARK-EYED JUNCO:	2	6/28	Huron/Manistee National Forest, Io	RAE,JMS,RMD
SCARLET TANAGER:	9	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Io,Sa,Tu
NORTHERN CARDINAL:	up to 8	tp	Midland, Mi	JZ - also noted in Ar ,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK:	<b>25</b>	6/19	Au Sable State Forest, Mi	<b>RMD - new SBA summer high count</b> - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Sa,Tu
INDIGO BUNTING:	22	7/12	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
DICKCISSEL:	1 8	6/20 7/18	SNWR, Sa SNWR, Sa	TW - first date JMS - also noted in Ba,Mi
BOBOLINK:	9	6/8	Alabaster Twp., Io	DLJ - also noted in Ar,Ba,Mi
RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD:	277	6/25	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
EASTERN MEADOWLARK:	11	7/3	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Io,Sa,Tu
WESTERN MEADOWLARK:	1	6/24	Bad Axe Airport, Hu	MKE
YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD:	6	6/1	NPSWA, Ba	DLJ - also noted in Sa
BREWER'S BLACKBIRD:	1	6/30	Oscoda Twp., Io	RAE,SB
COMMON GRACKLE:	21	7/12	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD:	156	7/5	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ba,Io,Tu
ORCHARD ORIOLE:	3	7/11	SNWR, Sa	DJP - also noted in Ar,Mi
BALTIMORE ORIOLE:	8	7/11	Bangor Twp., Ba	EMP,GSP - also noted in Ar,Io,Mi,Sa
PURPLE FINCH:	2	7/3	Geneva Twp., Mi	RMD - also noted in Ar,Io,Tu
HOUSE FINCH:	9	7/24	Bangor Twp., Ba	GSP,EMP - also noted in Io,Mi,Sa,Tu
AMERICAN GOLDFINCH:	58	7/21	SNWR, Sa	RAE - also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu
HOUSE SPARROW:	4	6/22	Saginaw, Sa	DJP- also noted in Ar,Ba,Io,Mi,Tu

**TOTAL: 201 Species**

Peak counts and early/late dates are designated such based upon records established in the publication *Birds and Bird Finding in the Saginaw Bay Area* by Ron Weeks, published in 1995, and subsequent updates to the data by the compilers of the Birds in the Saginaw Bay Area report. Comments on seasonal occurrences also relate to information found in this exhaustively researched book, as well as species notations on the Michigan Bird Survey Form.

\*Michigan Review List Species. Inclusion of records for these species in this report does not signify that they have been verified, only that an encounter was reported. The observation will not be considered an official SBA record until it has been reviewed and accepted by the Michigan Bird Records Committee (MBRC).

**Observer Key:**

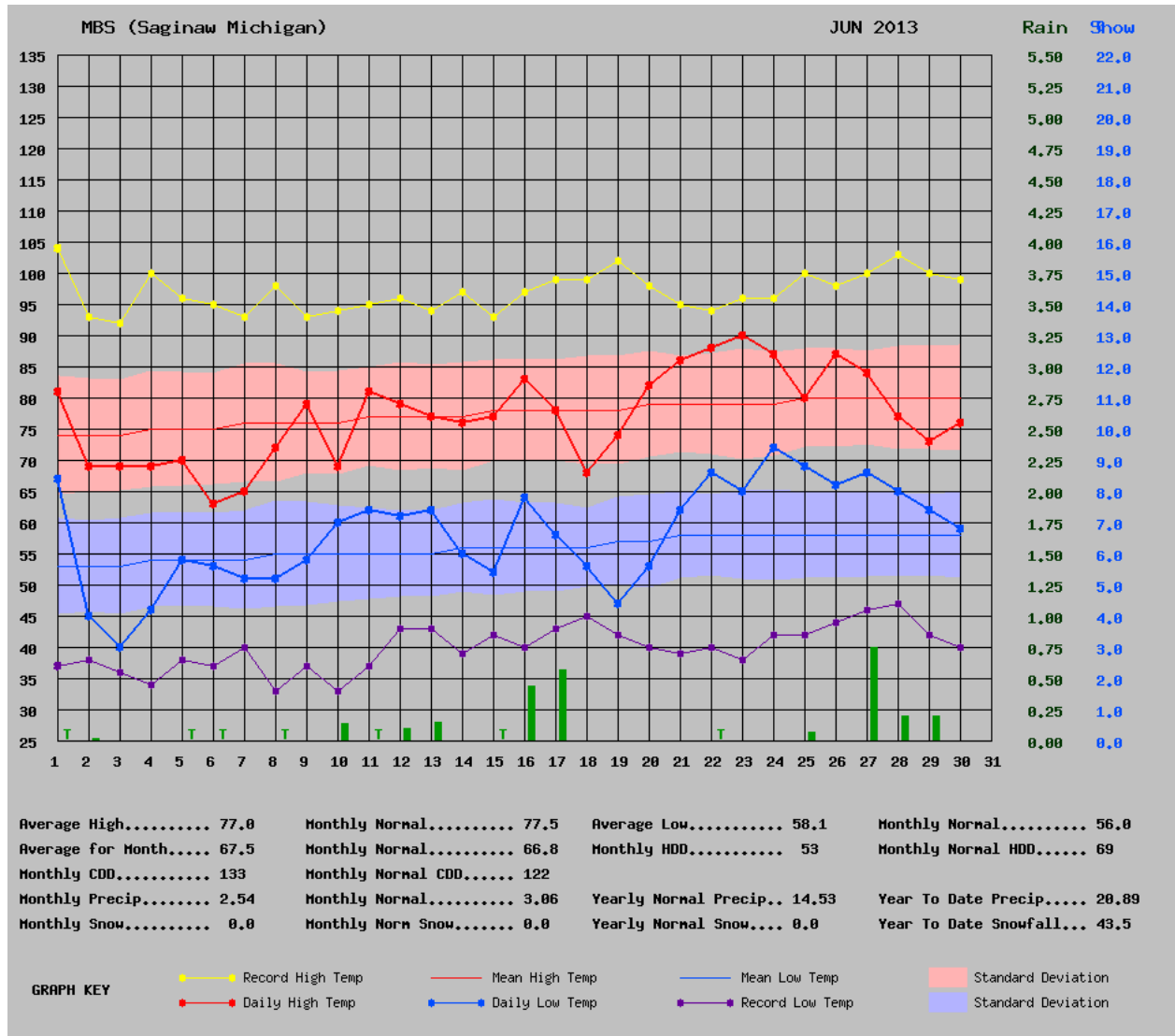
LMA	Larry M. Abraham	EMP	Ellen M. Peterson
MB	Marianne Barrowman	TS	Toni Shawl
SB	Sam Burckhardt	WWS	Wayne W. Shawl
EC	Ed Cole	JMS	Joe M. Soehnel
RMD	Ryan M. Dziedzic	JDS	Jeff D. Sommer
RAE	Roger A. Eriksson	CS	Carolyn Szaroletta
MKE	Monica K. Essenmacher	VT	Val Trabucchi
SG	Steve Gasser	JEV	Jim E VanAllen
KG	Krista Geenwood	TW	Tom Wheeker
JH	Joseph Hammerle	MW	Marilyn Willard
DLJ	Doug L. Jackson	MWi	Myles Willard
MM	Myles McNally	JZ	Jerry Ziarno
GSP	Glenn S. Peterson		

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**Abbreviations:**

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

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