

The 2023-2024 Connecticut Christmas Bird Count Supplemental Materials

Statewide Christmas Bird Counts (7 Northern, 6 Mid-State, 8 Coastal = 21 total counts)

329,972 total individuals, 180 Count Day species (record high total) + **5 Count Week species** (Cackling Goose, Semipalmated Plover, Thick-billed Murre, Golden Eagle, Sedge Wren)

809 field observers (30-year record high total) + **52 feeder watchers = 861 total observers**

2,172.58 total party hours & 7,705.28 total party miles

30-year high counts (19): Ring-necked Duck (2,142=>3,915), Clapper Rail (14=>18), Virginia Rail (26=>27), Black-headed Gull (2=>2), Great Egret (25=>43), Black Vulture (558=>653), Red-shouldered Hawk (323=>323), Red-bellied Woodpecker (1,714=>2,118), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, (363=>455), Eastern Phoebe (12=>14), Common Raven (425=>437), Rub y-crowned Kinglet (82=>177), Winter Wren (189=>264), Marsh Wren (29=>36), Carolina Wren (2,079=>2,369), Chipping Sparrow (65=>129), Eastern Towhee (153=>183), Eastern Meadowlark (74=>104), Orange-crowned Warbler (10=>11).

30-year low counts (4): Mute Swan (613=>464), Sanderling (172=>95), Great Black-backed Gull (569=>437), American Tree Sparrow (561=>372).

New species (3): Philadelphia Vireo CD, Sedge Wren CW.

Rarities (17): Tufted Duck (4X in 30 years), Eared Grebe (5X), Ruby-throated Hummingbird (3X), Sandhill Crane (6X), Semipalmated Plover CW (4X), Spotted Sandpiper (4X), Thick-billed Murre (4X), Western Kingbird (3X), Western Flycatcher (2X), Northern Rough-winged Swallow (6X), Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (2X), Yellow-headed Blackbird (5X), Tennessee Warbler (3X), Cape May Warbler (4X), Yellow Warbler (4X), Prairie Warbler (3X), Western Tanager (5X).

30-year Statewide total = 263 Count Day + 5 Count Week species (Purple Gallinule, Brown Pelican, Gyrfalcon, Sedge Wren, Indigo Bunting).

Northern Christmas Bird Counts (Barkhamsted; Berlin; Edwin Way Teale, Trail Wood; Hartford; Litchfield Hills; Lakeville-Sharon; Storrs)

123,015 total individuals, 114 Count Day species + 5 Count Week species (Cackling Goose, Redhead, Black Scoter, Horned Grebe, Red-throated Loon)

281 field observers + 14 feeder watchers = 295 total observers

719.43 total party hours & 2,898.83 total party miles

30-year high counts (20): Tundra Swan (6=>6), American Wigeon (8=>14), Lesser Scaup (18=>58), Bufflehead (125=>210), Hooded Merganser (861=>901), Northern Harrier (18=>20), Red-shouldered Hawk (74=>97), Rough-legged Hawk (3=>4), Belted Kingfisher (77=>77), Red-bellied Woodpecker (666=>673), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (110=>114), Eastern Phoebe (4=>4), Common Raven (179=>195), Ruby-crowned Kinglet (20=>28), Winter Wren (44=>63), Carolina Wren (463=>533), American Pipit (56=>72), Field Sparrow (50=>53), Swamp Sparrow (59=>77), Palm Warbler (1=>5).

30-year low counts (3): Mourning Dove (1,484=>1,366), Sharp-shinned Hawk (10=>9), American Tree Sparrow (228=>194).

New species (1): Spotted Sandpiper.

Rarities (6): Tundra Swan (4X), Black Scoter CW (4X), House Wren (6X), Yellow-headed Blackbird (2X), Cape May Warbler (2X), Palm Warbler (4X).

Other noteworthy species (1): Pine Warbler (7X).

30-year Northern total = 175 Count Day + 3 Count Week species (Harlequin Duck, Snowy Owl, Black-and-white Warbler).

Barkhamsted, CT CBC (December 23, 2023)

Compiler: David Tripp, Jr. (Litchfield Hills Audubon Society)

11,427 total individuals, 70 Count Day species + 1 Count Week species (Greater Scaup)

30 field observers + 2 feeder watchers = 32 total observers

85.00 total party hours & 357.50 total party miles

30-year high counts (9): Red-shouldered Hawk (20=>26), Red-bellied Woodpecker (84=>86), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (20=>29), Winter Wren (15=>19), Hermit Thrush (17=>18), Savannah Sparrow (3=>7), Song Sparrow (97=>105), Swamp Sparrow (6=>11), Red-winged Blackbird (372=>606).

30-year low counts (0)

New species (0)

Rarities (3): Green-winged Teal (2X), Black Vulture (5X), Savannah Sparrow (5X).

Other noteworthy species (2): Greater Scaup CW (7X), Northern Harrier (7X).

30-year Barkhamsted total = 126 Count Day + 1 Count Week species (Harlequin Duck).

Bristol, CT CBC (December 31, 2023)

Compiler: Jack Swatt

14,276 total individuals, 68 Count Day species + 1 Count Week species (Lesser Scaup)

35 field observers + 3 feeder watchers = 38 total observers

99.75 total party hours & 522.67 total party miles

New species (2): Lesser Scaup CW, Pied-billed Grebe.

8-year Bristol total = 92 Count Day species + 3 Count Week species (Lesser Scaup, Great Black-backed Gull, Rusty Blackbird).

Edwin Way Teale, Trail Wood, CT CBC (December 31, 2023)

Compiler: Susan Harrington (Natchaug Ornithological Society)

5,556 total individuals, 67 Count Day species + 1 Count Week species (Wood Duck)

9 field observers + 0 feeder watchers = 9 total observers

46.15 total party hours & 204.00 total party miles

29-year high counts (9) [Note: no CBC in 2004-05]: Ring-necked Duck (66=>249), Lesser Scaup (4=>17), Bufflehead (29=>39), Hooded Merganser (30=>68), Red-bellied Woodpecker (55=>60), Eastern Phoebe (3=>3), Common Raven (10=>15), Brown Creeper (10=>11), Swamp Sparrow 5=>5).

29-year low counts (0)

New species (4): Tundra Swan, Common Loon, Peregrine Falcon, Cape May Warbler.

Rarities (2): Lesser Scaup (4X), Black Vulture (4X).

Other noteworthy species (1): Pine Siskin (7X).

29-year Trail Wood total = 124 Count Day + 0 Count Week species.

Hartford, CT CBC (December 17, 2023)

Compiler: Jay Kaplan (Hartford Audubon Society)

53,531 total individuals, 93 Count Day species + 2 Count Week species (Cackling Goose, Bufflehead)

94 field observers + 4 feeder watchers = 98 total observers

202.00 total party hours & 475.50 total party miles

30-year high counts (1): Greater Scaup (2=>2), Red-bellied Woodpecker (213=>235), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (29=>37), Peregrine Falcon (6=>6), Carolina Wren (175=>200), American Pipit (52=>68), Chipping Sparrow (3=>7).

30-year low counts (1): Mourning Dove (551=>522).

New species (2): Yellow-headed Blackbird, Palm Warbler..

Rarities (3): Greater Scaup (5X), Lesser Scaup (2X), Pied-billed Grebe (5X).

Other noteworthy species (1): Bufflehead (7X).

30-year Hartford total = 147 Count Day species + 7 Count Week species (Tundra Swan, White-winged Scoter, Osprey, Snowy Owl, Clay-colored Sparrow, Yellow-breasted Chat, Black-and-white Warbler)

Litchfield Hills, CT CBC (December 17, 2023)

Compiler: David Tripp, Jr. (Litchfield Hills Audubon Society)

14,839 total individuals, 82 Count Day species + 5 Count Week species
(Redhead, Greater Scaup, Red-throated Loon, Northern Harrier, Sharp-shinned Hawk).

51 field observers + 5 feeder watchers = 56 total observers

128.75 total party hours & 578.50 total party miles

30-year high counts (11): American Wigeon (7=>8), Bufflehead (103=>110), Hooded Merganser (224=>282), Red-shouldered Hawk (22=>24), Common Raven (29=>44), Winter Wren (9=>14), Carolina Wren (52=>60), American Pipit (2=>3), Field Sparrow (9=>9), White-crowned Sparrow (2=>2), Swamp Sparrow (21=>22).

30-year low counts (2): Sharp-shinned Hawk (1=>CW, missed CD 1st time in 30 years), House Sparrow (209=>147).

New species (0)

Rarities (5): Redhead (6X), Killdeer (3X), Red-throated Loon CW (2X), House Wren (2X), American Pipit (5X).

Other noteworthy species (0)

30-year Litchfield Hills total = 142 Count Day species + 3 Count Week species (Blue-winged Teal, Glaucous Gull, Double-crested Cormorant).

Lakeville-Sharon, CT CBC (December 17, 2023)

Compilers: Eileen Fielding, Bethany Sheffer (Sharon Audubon Center)

11,437 total individuals, 70 Count Day species + 2 Count Week species (Black Scoter, Pine Siskin)

32 field observers + 3 feeder watchers = 35 total observers

56.45 total party hours & 262.10 total party miles

30-year high counts (6): Lesser Scaup (8=>29), Bufflehead (18=>31), Rough-legged Hawk (1=>4), Winter Wren (4=>5), Gray Catbird (6=>6), Swamp Sparrow (3=>4).

30-year low counts (3): Mourning Dove (61=>37), Cooper's Hawk (1=>1), American Crow (221=>193).

New species (1): Black Scoter CW.

Rarities (0)

Other noteworthy species (1): Rough-legged Hawk.

30-year Lakeville-Sharon total = 127 Count Day + 1 Count Week species (Black Scoter).

Storrs, CT CBC (December 16, 2023)

Compiler: Steve Morytko (Natchaug Ornithological Association - not active)

11,949 total individuals, 87 Count Day species + 3 Count Week species (Snow Goose, Red-breasted Merganser, Horned Grebe).

26 field observers + 1 feeder watcher = 27 total observers

101.33 total party hours & 498.56 total party miles

30-year high counts (12): Hooded Merganser (93=>111), Herring Gull (418=>421), Northern Harrier (3=>4), Bald Eagle (8=>8), Great Horned Owl

(12=>18), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (13=>15), Northern Flicker (36=>41), American Kestrel (2=>2), Ruby-crowned Kinglet (6=>9), Winter Wren (7=>11), Carolina Wren (72=>93), European Starling (3,051=>3,103).

30-year low counts (2): Cedar Waxwing (12=>6), American Tree Sparrow (12=>3).

New species (4): Red-breasted Merganser CW, Horned Grebe CW, Spotted Sandpiper, Marsh Wren, Pine Warbler (new to CD, was CW).

Rarities (6): Snow Goose CW (4X), Lesser Black-backed Gull (3X), Double-crested Cormorant (6X), American Pipit (6X), Common Yellowthroat (2X), Palm Warbler (3X).

Other noteworthy species (1): Ruby-crowned Kinglet (7X).

30-year Storrs total = 130 Count Day species + 6 Count Week species (Greater Scaup, Long-tailed Duck, Red-breasted Merganser, Horned Grebe, Short-eared Owl, Evening Grosbeak).

Mid-State Christmas Bird Counts (Norwich; Oxford; Pawling/Hidden Valley; Quinnipiac Valley; Salmon River; Woodbury-Roxbury)

64,588 total individuals, 110 Count Day species + 2 Count Week species (Snow Goose, Long-eared Owl).

171 field observers + 19 feeder watchers = 190 total observers

490.65 total party hours & 2,232.75 total party miles

30-year high counts (16): Gadwall (46=>63), Ring-necked Duck (443=>1,757), Hooded Merganser (534=>547), Black Vulture (267=>282), Belted Kingfisher (66=>67), Red-bellied Woodpecker (474=>585), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (133=>141), Fish Crow (270=>313), Common Raven (121=>131), Winter Wren (56=>77), Marsh Wren (2=>3), Carolina Wren (560=>600), Chipping Sparrow (20=>41), Swamp Sparrow (74=>128), Eastern Towhee (27=>29), Eastern Meadowlark (34=>60).

30-year low counts (4): Wild Turkey (141=>82), Ring-necked Pheasant (1=>1), Great Black-backed Gull (14=>6), American Tree Sparrow (76=>55).

New species (0)

Rarities (8): Iceland Gull (6X), Red-throated Loon (4X), Osprey (6X), Red Crossbill (5X), White-winged Crossbill (6X), Western Tanager (3X).

Other noteworthy species (0)

30-year Mid-State total = 170 Count Day species + 0 Count Week species

Norwich, CT CBC (December 23, 2023)

Compiler: Allison Black

15,755 total individuals (new high total), 84 Count Day species (new high total) + 0 Count Week species

21 field observers (new high total) + 1 feeder watcher = 22 total observers (new high total)

60.55 total party hours (new high total) & 309.80 total party miles

New species (5): Gadwall, American Wigeon, Northern Saw-whet Owl (CD, was CW), Red-breasted Nuthatch, Rusty Blackbird.

5-year Norwich total = 106 Count Day species + 1 Count Week species (Pied-billed Grebe).

Oxford, CT CBC (December 17, 2023)

Compiler: Roy Harvey

6,719 total individuals, 76 Count Day species + 0 Count Week species

21 field observers + 0 feeder watchers = 21 total observers

59.60 total party hours & 319.00 total party miles

30-year high counts (5): Bufflehead (43=>53), Common Goldeneye (3=>3), Pileated Woodpecker (7=>10), Winter Wren (10=>20), Carolina Wren (70=>79).

30-year low counts (1): Cooper's Hawk (1=>1).

New species (1): Red Crossbill.

Rarities (7): Green-winged Teal (American) (5X), Ruddy Duck (5X), Osprey (2X), Marsh Wren (2X), American Pipit (3X).

Other noteworthy species (1): Common Goldeneye (7X).

30-year Oxford total = 130 Count Day species + 1 Count Week species
(Evening Grosbeak).

Pawling, NY-Hidden Valley, CT CBC (January 1, 2022)

Compilers: Carena Pooth, Angela Dimmitt (Ralph T. Waterman Bird Club)

12,065 total individuals, 83 Count Day species + 1 Count Week species
(American Wigeon).

44 field observers (30-year high total) + 3 feeder watchers = 47 total observers

120.50 total party hours & 592.25 total party miles

30-year high counts (2): Great Blue Heron (10=>13), Great Horned Owl
(11=>12).

30-year low counts (0)

New species (2): Iceland Gull, Western Tanager.

Rarities (3): Northern Pintail (4X), Double-crested Cormorant (5X), Marsh Wren
(3X).

Other noteworthy species (1): Eastern Phoebe (7X).

**30-year Pawling/Hidden Valley total = 133 Count Day species + 3 Count Week
species** (Barrow's Goldeneye, Red-breasted Merganser, Pine Grosbeak).

Quinnipiac Valley, CT CBC (December 17, 2023)

**Compilers: Corrie Folsom-O'Keefe, Melissa Baston (Quinnipiac Valley
Audubon Society)**

10,467 total individuals, 81 count Day species + 1 Count Week species (Turkey Vulture).

24 field observers + 3 feeder watchers = 27 total observers

75.00 total party hours & 225.00 total party miles

30-year high counts (7): Gadwall (45=>62), Bald Eagle (9=>10), Red-bellied Woodpecker (80=>89), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (15=>26), Pileated Woodpecker (9=>9), Winter Wren (5=>10), Swamp Sparrow (21=>57).

30-year low counts (1): Cedar Waxwing (5=>5).

New species (0)

Rarities (1): Common Loon (3X).

Other noteworthy species (1): Northern Shoveler (7X).

30-year Quinnipiac Valley total = 144 Count Day species + 2 Count Week species (Sandhill Crane, Snowy Owl).

Salmon River, CT CBC (December 17, 2023)

Compilers: Sharon Dellinger, Doreen Jezek (Mattabesec Audubon Society)

8,807 total individuals, 75 Count Day species + 1 Count Week species (Black Vulture).

38 field observers + 10 feeder watchers = 48 total observers (30-year high total)

79.50 total party hours & 383.70 total party miles

30-year high counts (9): Ring-necked Duck (282=>1,409), Lesser Scaup (28=>59), Bufflehead (33=>40), Red-bellied Woodpecker (93=>102), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (27=>29), Winter Wren (8=>9), Carolina Wren (89=>91), Pine Siskin (24=>31), Eastern Meadowlark (12=>60).

30-year low counts (0)

New species (0)

Rarities (4): Greater Scaup (2X), Lesser Scaup (6X), Red-throated Loon (2X), Eastern Meadowlark (4X).

Other noteworthy species (2): Pied-billed Grebe (7X), American Kestrel (7X).

30-year Salmon River total = 133 Count Day species + 3 Count Week species (Canvasback, Long-tailed Duck, White-winged Crossbill).

Woodbury-Roxbury, CT CBC (December 16, 2023)

Compiler: Robert A. Buck (Western Connecticut Bird Club)

10, 775 total individuals, 80 Count Day species + 5 Count Week species (Snow Goose, Gadwall, Long-eared Owl, Peregrine Falcon, Eastern Phoebe)

23 field observers + 2 feeder watchers = 25 total observers

95.50 total party hours & 403.00 total party miles

29-year high counts [2022-23 results not available from National Audubon] (7): Hooded Merganser (78=>87), Killdeer (2=>4), Black Vulture (96=>138), Fish Crow (37=>37), Common Raven (27=>53), Carolina Wren (118=>129), Pine Siskin (45=>48).

29-year low counts (4): Eastern Screech-Owl (1=>1), American Tree Sparrow (32=>12), Dark-eyed Junco (565=>514), Northern Cardinal (131=>110).

New species (0)

Rarities (2): Peregrine Falcon CW (4X), White-winged Crossbill (5X).

Other noteworthy species (1): Killdeer (7X).

29-year Woodbury-Roxbury total = 145 Count Day species + 3 Count Week species (*Selasphorus* hummingbird, Wilson's Warbler, Western Tanager).

Coastal Christmas Bird Counts (Guilford-Long Island Sound; Greenwich-Stamford; Napatree; New Haven; New London; Old Lyme-Saybrook; Stratford-Milford; Westport)

142,369 total individuals, 173 count day species + 6 count week species
(Cackling Goose, Tundra Swan, Semipalmated Plover, Thick-billed Murre, Golden Eagle, Sedge Wren)

357 total field observers + 19 feeder watchers = 376 total observers

962.50 total party hours & 2,573.70 total party miles

30-year high counts (18): Clapper Rail (14=>18), Virginia Rail (25=>25), Black-headed Gull (2=>2), Great Egret (25=>43), Black Vulture (162=>236), Red-bellied Woodpecker (9768=>860), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (167=>200), Pileated Woodpecker (47=>59), Eastern Phoebe (7=>8), Ruby-crowned Kinglet (55=>127), Winter Wren (113=>124), Carolina Wren (1,155=>1,236), Eastern Bluebird (600=>644), Chipping Sparrow (51=>80), Lincoln's Sparrow (2=>2), Eastern Towhee (140=>146), Eastern Meadowlark (44=>44), Orange-crowned Warbler (10=>11).

30-year low counts (5): Mute Swan (371=>301), Sanderling (172=>95), Ring-billed Gull (5,510=>5,016), Great Black-backed Gull (477=>416), American Tree Sparrow (144=>123).

New species (2): Philadelphia Vireo, Sedge Wren CW.

Rarities (13): Tufted Duck (4X), Eared Grebe (6X), Ruby-throated Hummingbird (2X), Sandhill Crane (3X), Semipalmated Plover (4X), Thick-billed Murre CW (4X), Western Kingbird (3X), Western Flycatcher (2X), Northern Rough-winged Swallow (3X), Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (2X), Tennessee Warbler (3X), Yellow Warbler (4X), Prairie Warbler (3X).

Other noteworthy species (3): Tundra Swan (7X), Yellow-crowned Night-Heron (7X), Golden Eagle (7X).

30-year Coastal total = 253 count day species + 7 count week species (Pink-footed Goose, Purple Gallinule, Brown Pelican, Gyrfalcon, Sedge Wren, Black-throated Blue Warbler, Indigo Bunting).

Guilford-Long Island Sound, CT CBC (December 30, 2023)

Compilers: John Picard, Tom Kelly, Bob Kuchta, J. Canoe (Menunkatuck Audubon Society)

5,682 total individuals, 80 count day species + 0 count week species

12 field observers + 2 feeder watchers = 14 total observers

? total party hours & ? total party miles

New species (2): Sanderling, Northern Saw-whet Owl

8-year total = 110 count day species + 1 count week species (Black Vulture).

Greenwich-Stamford, CT/NY CBC (December 18, 2023)

Compiler: Cynthia Ehlinger (Audubon Greenwich)

21,482 total individuals, 112 count day species + 9 count week species
(Cackling Goose, Redhead, Surf Scoter, Red-necked Grebe, Golden Eagle, Razorbill, Iceland Gull, Glaucous Gull, American Pipit).

59 field observers + 6 feeder watchers = 65 total observers

202.75 total party hours & 726.55 total party miles

30-year high counts (6): American Woodcock (3=>7), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (45=>59), Eastern Phoebe (3=>4), Fish Crow (330=>484), Carolina Wren (244=>262), Swamp Sparrow (21=>23).

30-year low counts (3): Mute Swan (17=>10), Sharp-shinned Hawk (3=>3), American Tree Sparrow (1=>1).

New species (5): Harlequin Duck (new to CD, was CW), Rufous Hummingbird, Virginia Rail, Golden Eagle CW, Lincoln's Sparrow (new to CD, was CW).

Rarities (3): Laughing Gull (6X), Iceland Gull (4X), Glaucous Gull (3X).

30-year total = 192 count day species + 8 count week species (Ross's Goose, Pink-footed Goose, Clapper Rail, Purple Gallinule, Sanderling, Brown Pelican, Golden Eagle, Painted Bunting).

Napatree, RI/CT/NY CBC (December 17, 2023)

Compilers: Shai Mitra, Glenn Williams

19,010 total individuals, 129 count day species + 3 count week species (Thick-billed Murre, Lesser Black-backed Gull, Sedge Wren).

36 field observers + 1 feeder watchers = 37 total observers

150.20 total party hours & 260.45 total party miles

22-year high counts (17): American Wigeon (18=>123), Green-winged Teal (American) (26=>31), Ring-necked Duck (47=>89), Virginia Rail (7=>11), Ruddy Turnstone (9=>17), Greater Yellowlegs (4=>4), Black-headed Gull (1=>2), Double-crested Cormorant (102=>127), Great Egret (12=>22), Black Vulture (39=>107), Red-bellied Woodpecker (70=>72), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (16=>18), Ruby-crowned Kinglet (17=>31), Winter Wren (12=>12), Hermit Thrush (50=>56), Chipping Sparrow (13=>22), Brown-headed Cowbird (957=>1,266).

20-year low counts (6): Mallard (265=>198), Purple Sandpiper (2=>1), Great Black-backed Gull (93=>62), Northern Saw-whet Owl (2=>1), American Tree Sparrow (23=>18), Dark-eyed Junco (144=>140).

New species (3 + 1 hybrid): Eurasian Wigeon, Western Flycatcher, Sedge Wren CW, Common x Barrow's Goldeneye hybrid.

Rarities (5): Eared Grebe (3X), Thick-billed Murre (2X), Rough-legged Hawk (4X), Pileated Woodpecker (2X), Lincoln's Sparrow (2X).

Other noteworthy species (0)

22-year total = 196 count day species + 3 count week species (Pink-footed Goose, Tundra Swan, Sedge Wren).

New Haven, CT CBC (December 16, 2023)

Compiler: Christopher Loscalzo (New Haven Bird Club)

33,734 total individuals, 131 count day species + 0 count week species

96 field observers + 2 feeder watchers = 98 total observers

235.00 total party hours & 547.50 total party miles

30-year high counts (11): Ring-necked Duck (259=>690), Clapper Rail (9=>9), Virginia Rail (6=>7), Red-bellied Woodpecker (156=>200), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (31=>38), Hairy Woodpecker (46=>55), Pileated Woodpecker (11=>19), Winter Wren (27=>28), Carolina Wren (206=>274), Eastern Towhee (21=>22), Orange-crowned Warbler (3=>5).

30-year low counts (2): Great Black-backed Gull (53=>27), American Tree Sparrow (27=>22).

New species (5): Tufted Duck, Sandhill Crane, Philadelphia Vireo, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Prairie Warbler.

Rarities (4): Harlequin Duck (3X), Great Egret (6X), Northern Rough-winged Swallow (3X), House Wren (5X).

Other noteworthy species (0)

30-year total = 201 count day species + 1 count week species (Wilson's Warbler).

New London, CT CBC (December 30, 2023)

Compilers: Lisa Wahle, Robert Dewire

22,828 total individuals, 123 count day species + 2 count week species (Semipalmated Plover, Lincoln's Sparrow)

57 field observers + 4 feeder watchers = 61 total observers

176.85 total party hours (30-year high total) & 504.50 total party miles

30-year high counts (12): Northern Gannet (42=>45), Red-shouldered Hawk (22=>30), Short-eared Owl (1=>2), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (21=>38), Common Raven (14=>14), Ruby-crowned Kinglet (18=>48), Winter Wren (15=>16), Marsh Wren (5=>6), Purple Finch (19=>22), Eastern Meadowlark (26=>34), Orange-crowned Warbler (2=>2), Palm Warbler (2=>6).

30-year low counts (3): Mute Swan (74=>56), Rock Pigeon (feral) (172=>158), Ring-billed Gull (111=>87).

New species (4): Ruby-throated Hummingbird, Semipalmated Plover CW, Western Kingbird (new to CD, was CW), Yellow Warbler.

Rarities (5): Barrow's Goldeneye (6X), Greater Yellowlegs (6X), Short-eared Owl (4X), Red Crossbill (4X), Lincoln's Sparrow CW (2X).

30-year total = 193 count day species + 3 count week species (Semipalmated Plover, Tennessee Warbler, Black-throated Blue Warbler).

Old Lyme-Saybrook, CT CBC (December 31, 2023)

Compiler: Matthew Bell

11,554 total individuals, 104 count day species + 5 count week species (Snow Goose, Tundra Swan, Black Scoter, American Bittern, Sharp-shinned Hawk).

33 field observers + 1 feeder watcher = 34 total observers

59.50 total party hours & 191.20 total party miles

30-year high counts (5): Greater Yellowlegs (1=>2), Great Egret (1=>2), Winter Wren (10=>11), Chipping Sparrow (4=>41), Rusty Blackbird (47=>47).

30-year low counts (2): Brown Creeper (2=>2), Hermit Thrush (2=>0, missed first time in 30 years).

New species (0)

Rarities (3): Tundra Swan CW (5X), Greater Yellowlegs (5X), Razorbill (5X).

Other noteworthy species (0)

30-year total = 192 count day species + 3 count week species (Gyr Falcon, Evening Grosbeak, Western Tanager).

Stratford-Milford, CT CBC (December 23, 2023)

Compiler: Steve Mayo

16,339 total individuals, 118 count day species, 8 count week species (Common Eider, American Bittern, Turkey Vulture, Purple Sandpiper, Lesser Black-backed Gull, Brown Creeper, American Pipit, Common Yellowthroat).

31 field observers + 2 feeder watchers = 33 total observers

88.50 total party hours & 270.50 total party miles

30-year high counts (9): Black Scoter (4=>10), Black-bellied Plover (9=>9), American Woodcock (2=>2), Common Loon (57=>77), Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (8=>8), Pileated Woodpecker (4=>6), Winter Wren (9=>9), Eastern Bluebird (11=>20), Palm Warbler (1=>4).

30-year low counts (2): Mute Swan (15=>15), Fish Crow (4=>3).

New species (0)

Rarities (6): Common Eider CW (6X), American Woodcock (5X), Razorbill (6X), Yellow-crowned Night-Heron (6X), Clay-colored Sparrow (3X), Vesper Sparrow (4X).

Other noteworthy species (3): Glaucous Gull (7X), House Wren (7X), Brown Thrasher (7X).

30-year total = 182 count day species + 2 count week species (Sandhill Crane, Seaside Sparrow).

Westport, CT CBC (December 17, 2023)

Compilers: Mardi Dickinson, Townsend Dickinson (kymrygroup.com)

11,740 total individuals, 106 count day species + 1 count week species (Common Yellowthroat)

33 field observers + 1 feeder watcher = 34 total observers

49.70 total party hours & 73.00 total party miles

30-year high counts (4): Northern Pintail (4=>15), Red-shouldered Hawk (14=>14), Common Raven (14=>21), Fox Sparrow (21=>30).

30-year low counts (4): Wild Turkey (CW=>0, missed CD & CW first time in 30 years), Red-tailed Hawk (14=>12), Cedar Waxwing (4=>3), Gray Catbird (1=>1).

New species (0)

Rarities (4): Red-headed Woodpecker (2X), Eastern Phoebe (6X), Tennessee Warbler (2X), Common Yellowthroat CW (6X).

Other noteworthy species (1): Pine Warbler (7X).

30-year total = 179 count day species + 7 count week species (Sandhill Crane, Golden Eagle, Barn Owl, Red Crossbill, Seaside Sparrow, Ovenbird, Indigo Bunting).