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**PERSPECTIVE** 

# The first 50 years of the North American Breeding Bird Survey

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#### **ABSTRACT**

The vision of Chandler (Chan) S. Robbins for a continental-scale omnibus survey of breeding birds led to the development of the North American Breeding Bird Survey (BBS). Chan was uniquely suited to develop the BBS. His position as a government scientist had given him experience with designing and implementing continental-scale surveys, his research background made him an effective advocate of the need for a survey to monitor pesticide effects on birds, and his prominence in the birding community gave him connections to infrastructure—a network of qualified volunteer birders who could conduct roadside surveys with standardized point counts. Having started in the eastern United States and the Atlantic provinces of Canada in 1966, the BBS now provides population change information for  $\sim$ 546 species in the continental United States and Canada, and recently initiated routes in Mexico promise to greatly expand the areas and species covered by the survey. Although survey protocols have remained unchanged for 50 years, the BBS remains relevant in a changing world. Several papers that follow in this Special Section of The Condor: Ornithological Advances review how the BBS has been applied to conservation assessments, especially in combination with other large-scale survey data. A critical feature of the BBS program is an active research program into field and analytical methods to enhance the quality of the count data and to control for factors that influence detectability. Papers in the Special Section also present advances in BBS analyses that improve the utility of this expanding and sometimes controversial survey. In this Perspective, we introduce the Special Section by reviewing the history of the BBS, describing current analyses, and providing summary trend results for all species, highlighting 3 groups of conservation concern: grassland-breeding birds, aridland-breeding birds, and aerial insectivorous birds.

Keywords: aerial insectivore, aridland, Chandler S. Robbins, grassland, hierarchical model, North American Breeding Bird Survey

#### Los primeros 50 años del Conteo de Aves Reproductivas de América del Norte

#### **RESUMEN**

La visión de Chandler (Chan) S. Robbins de un conteo completo a escala continental de las aves reproductivas llevó al desarrollo del Conteo de Aves Reproducción (BBS por sus siglas en inglés). Chan estaba especialmente preparado para desarrollar el BBS. Su cargo como un científico del gobierno le había dado la experiencia de diseñar e implementar muestreos a escala continental, sus antecedentes de investigación lo convirtieron en un defensor efectivo de la necesidad de un conteo para monitorear los efectos de los pesticidas en las aves y su prominencia en la comunidad de ornitólogos le dio conexiones con una red de voluntarios observadores de aves calificados que podían realizar conteos a lo largo de las rutas en puntos de conteo estandarizados. Comenzando en el este de Estados Unidos y las Provincias Atlánticas de Canadá en 1966, el BBS brinda en la actualidad información sobre cambios poblacionales de  $\sim$ 546 especies de las áreas continentales de Estados Unidos y Canadá, y las rutas iniciadas recientemente en México prometen una gran expansión de las áreas y las especies cubiertas por el conteo. Aunque los protocolos de muestreo han permanecido sin cambios a lo largo de 50 años, el BBS sigue siendo relevante en un mundo cambiante. Muchos artículos que siguen en esta Sección Especial de The Condor: Avances Ornitológicos revisan como el BBS ha sido aplicado a evaluaciones de conservación, especialmente en combinación con otros datos de gran escala. Una necesidad imperiosa del programa BBS es un programa de investigación activo de los métodos de campo y analíticos para mejorar la calidad de los datos de conteo y el control de los factores que influencian la detectabilidad. Los artículos en la Sección Especial también presentan avances en los análisis del BBS que mejoran la utilidad de este muestreo en expansión y a veces controversial. En esta Perspectiva introducimos la Sección Especial revisando la historia del BBS, describiendo los análisis actuales y brindando resultados resumidos de tendencia para todas las especies, destacando tres grupos de interés para la

conservación: aves reproductivas de pastizal, aves reproductivas de ambientes áridos y aves insectívoras aéreas. Palabras clave: ambientes áridos, Chandler S. Robbins, Conteo de Aves Reproductivas de América del Norte, insectívoros aéreos, modelo jerárquico, pastizal

#### An Influential and Evolving Survey

The North American Breeding Bird Survey (BBS) was initiated in 1966 with a goal of monitoring change in North American breeding bird populations (Robbins et al. 1986). It now provides long-term population change data for ~424 species over most of North America, with more limited data for an additional  $\sim$ 122 species. BBS data inform virtually all geographic studies of North American birds; analyses show us which species are increasing and decreasing, and by how much (Sauer et al. 2017a). Its comprehensive nature and the ready availability of its results via the Internet have contributed to the perception of the BBS as a "one-stop shop" for population change data (Pardieck et al. 2016, Environment and Climate Change Canada 2017, Sauer et al. 2017a). The BBS is the premier source of bird population status and change data for conservation activities and scientific studies, as reviewed in two papers in this Special Section (Hudson et al. 2017, Rosenberg et al. 2017). Nevertheless, even after 50 years of data collection, the BBS is still a work-in-progress; the scope of the survey continues to expand while ongoing work seeks to strengthen BBS methods and analyses.

Origins of the BBS. The BBS was Chandler (Chan) S. Robbins's idea. As a biologist working for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), he had three research themes that came together to form the BBS (Robbins 2016, Sauer 2016). First, he had worked with DDT and other pesticides that affected birds, starting with field experiments at the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center in the 1940s (Linduska and Surber 1948). Rachel Carson edited Chan's reports on the consequences of DDT on birds, and he credited Carson with creating the public interest in bird populations that ultimately persuaded USFWS administrators to let him start the BBS (Chandler S. Robbins, personal communication). By the early 1960s, Chan was frequently being asked by the public about the effects of pesticides on bird populations, and he was keenly aware of the reports attributing avian mortality to pesticide exposure. Chan used Carson's (1962) Silent Spring as the basis of his lobbying within the USFWS for a continental-scale survey that would help us understand whether regional populations were declining and better evaluate pesticide effects on bird populations.

Second, Chan had been developing and implementing roadside surveys for American Woodcock (Scolopax minor), Mourning Dove (Zenaida macroura), and Wilson's Snipe (Gallinago delicata). He had been tasked with developing approaches for surveying these harvested species that would permit estimation of population

change. He realized that these roadside survey methods could be easily modified to collect data on all species encountered along roads, as long as a corps of observers could be found to survey them.

Third, by the 1960s, Chan had several decades of experience working with citizen science projects, in particular the Christmas Bird Count, hawk watches, and breeding-bird censuses (Sauer and Droege 1990), and he had an extensive network of birding contacts across North America (Robbins 2016). He knew the value of networking and collaboration, and from these contacts he recruited observers for the survey and set up a network of state and provincial coordinators who could tend to the ongoing task of matching local birders to nearby routes. At the 2016 symposium at the North American Ornithological Conference celebrating the BBS's 50th anniversary, Chan related the story that the same day he received permission to start the breeding bird survey, he called Anthony (Tony) Erskine from the Canadian Wildlife Service and asked if Canada would be interested in participating. Tony took the proposal to his superiors, and he almost immediately called Chan back to say that Canada "was in." Tony, and thus Canada, was a partner from the very start of the BBS. Chan capitalized on the pesticide concerns as a rationale for the survey, drew upon his prior experience in surveys to design the program, and was able to convince his birding and other professional connections to implement the program.

**Silk purses and sows' ears.** Chan was apparently a firm believer in the maxim "The perfect is the enemy of the good." The BBS is (we would argue) "good," and perhaps even unique and unparalleled as a coherent, continentalscale monitoring program. However, from the start, Chan endured aggressive criticism that the BBS's design had fatal flaws. Some of his colleagues in the USFWS asked pointed questions along these lines: How can you consider developing a monitoring program with no means of estimating detection rates of birds, and along roadsides where bird populations may not represent the broader landscape? Fifty years into the program, we are still asking these questions, and critics still point to these concerns with the BBS. However, the risks that Chan took in starting the BBS appear to have been justified; even though many alternatives to point counts now exist, research has not yet produced an alternative approach to data collection that is clearly superior to point counts and feasible to implement along BBS routes. Additionally, although research on deficiencies in BBS sampling has documented the need for ongoing vigilance in BBS analyses (e.g., Griffith et al.

2010), the research has not demonstrated fatal flaws in the BBS methods.

Consequently, the BBS's design and field protocols have remained the same over 50 years of surveying. Surveyors from 1966 could run a BBS route today and feel completely comfortable, although they might be a bit inconvenienced by safety straps, alarm chimes, and odd buzzing noises, or distracted by the built-in GPS units and media centers of modern vehicles. Once escaping the vehicle, however, the survey proceeds as it did in 1966. This is remarkable, considering how much the world has changed around the BBS. Sauer et al. (2013) describe some of these changes: (1) In addition to changes in car technology, there are more cars on the roads, and their presence influences counts; (2) climate is changing, as evidenced by earlier springs and differing seasonal patterns of bird activity; (3) roadside habitats have changed, with more houses and fewer natural habitats along BBS routes; and (4) small roads that host BBS routes have become larger roads with more cars and more disturbance. The survey has also expanded, from the original survey area in the eastern United States in 1966 to the contiguous United States and southern Canada by 1968. Additional expansion has occurred almost every year of the BBS, and recent expansion has taken the survey into northern Mexico.

Along with the environment in which counts are conducted, our notions of appropriate ways of counting birds have also changed. Simple point counts such as those collected by the BBS have been shown to be subject to a variety of environmental factors that influence detection of birds (Nichols et al. 2009), and the analysis of a survey that "encounters an unknown proportion of birds in an undefined area" (Link and Sauer 1998a) has its complications. In the years following the implementation of the BBS, myriad quantitative approaches were developed for obtaining reliable estimates of bird population size or density from counts (Nichols et al. 2009). Maintenance of the simple survey design in the face of these methodological developments is not due to apathy or a lack of inspiration; the BBS programs in Canada, Mexico, and the United States have encouraged these developments by sponsoring many research programs designed to test new counting methods (e.g., Farnsworth et al. 2005) and assess consequences of roadside sampling (Sauer et al. 2013, Veech et al. 2017). Rather, it is due to the fact that no method yet suggested has the flexibility to be implemented on roadside surveys conducted by thousands of observers. There is also a scale issue, as the current analyses focus on estimation of change at the route level, rather than at the scale of individual counting locations (stops) along the route (Sauer 2016). Many of the factors that influence detectability, such as habitat, operate at the scale of individual stops, but it is only in recent years that the BBS offices have begun to curate bird and location data at the

stop level. Full investigation of detection, as it relates to the BBS, must wait until reliable information exists as to where stops actually occur along BBS routes. In the absence of stop-level information provided by the BBS, researchers have used remote sensing to determine this information for individual projects, as in Niemuth et al. (2017) in this Special Section.

The BBS has maintained credibility in the face of changing environments and developed a reputation for robustness due to innovations in analyses. Development of Bayesian approaches for fitting hierarchical models have allowed us to overcome scale-specific limitations that made early analyses of BBS data cumbersome exercises in approximation (Sauer 2016). Implementation of these model-based approaches has also allowed us to address the fundamental criticisms of the BBS (e.g., Link and Sauer 1998b) by providing the means for evaluating effects of the changing world on BBS results and by controlling for environmental changes such as vehicle disturbance and phenology (as indexed by counting day). Expansion of the survey is accommodated in this model-based framework by imposing hierarchical structure among regions to enhance estimation in strata with limited data. Modeling can be extended to accommodate off-road expansions of the survey, as is reported for Alaska in this Special Section (Handel and Sauer 2017). In our view, BBS analyses require statistical controls for the effects of routes and observers; we can think of no inference based on BBS data that would provide reliable results without these controls, and hierarchical models are an essential component of the ongoing exploration of how the changing environment along BBS routes influences counts (e.g., Griffith et al. 2010).

One great benefit of hierarchical models is that they have changed our perspective on detectability modeling; advances in hierarchical modeling have led to a confluence of approaches for estimating both population change and detectability. In each, the underlying population size (at stops or routes, depending on the analysis) is viewed as a latent parameter, and modeled connections of the counts to the underlying population sizes form the basis of inference (Kéry et al. 2009). However, the goal of most BBS analyses is unbiased estimation of change over time, while most detectability analyses focus on directly estimating the local population size. For the goal of estimation of population change over time, current analysis methods control for observer differences at the scale of routes and also allow for controlling for additional features such as vehicle-related disturbance or phenology (Sauer et al. 2013), features long thought to possibly bias estimation of change over time. Identifying factors that influence detection, and determining their importance for inclusion in the BBS analysis, is our primary tool for addressing concerns about the counting process of the BBS (e.g., Sauer et al. 1994); ongoing assessments include modeling the effects of experimental protocol changes (e.g., collecting time-distance information; Twedt 2015) and phenology change (Sauer et al. 2013).

One key consequence of the BBS design and analysis is that population size is not easily estimated; the modelbased controls for detectability allow for estimation of population change but do not provide the information needed to scale the relative population indices produced in BBS analyses to an absolute population size. Although changes in field protocols have been suggested for the BBS to better inform population estimation (e.g., Farnsworth et al. 2005, Twedt 2015), analyses using these approaches have not yet proved effective for estimating detectability at critical scales needed for analysis as they have been applied only to estimate species-level detection rates. These species-level detectability adjustments provide no information relevant for BBS population change analyses. However, population estimates are often required for management needs such as setting population goals (Rosenberg and Blancher 2005) or estimating allowable take (Runge et al. 2009). Researchers have used additional data to scale BBS results to actual population sizes through (1) applying a series of adjustments that collectively estimate actual detection rates (Rosenberg and Blancher 2005, Runge et al. 2009), (2) using data from other surveys to scale BBS data to produce an unbiased population estimate (e.g., Zimmerman et al. 2015, 2017), or (3) modeling on-road vs. off-road populations using population and habitat data collected on and off roads (Sauer et al. 2013, Sauer 2016).

This discussion emphasizes an essential attribute of the BBS, and of any other omnibus, continental-scale survey: Wise use and interpretation of the survey involves an ongoing process of exploring how the counts relate to actual populations, in terms of both detectability and how sampling varies across space and time, and in developing appropriate models that adequately represent these relationships.

#### **BBS Results**

Hierarchical models for BBS analyses. Here, we provide a brief summary of BBS results from 50 years of surveying. Unfortunately, Mexican results do not yet provide sufficient information for analyses of population change. We provide results for 424 species from a "core" area that includes data extending back to 1966, as well as results from the period 1993-2015 for 546 species in an expanded survey area. The core area is the contiguous United States and southern portions of Canada (Sauer and Link 2011). The expanded area adds 7 additional strata (defined by Bird Conservation Regions within states and provinces): Western Alaska, Alaska Arctic Plains and Mountains, Alaska Northern Pacific Rainforest, Alaska

Northwestern Interior Forest, Yukon Territory Northwestern Interior Forest, Northwest Territories Boreal Taiga Plains, and Newfoundland Boreal Softwood Shield. Prior to 1993, these 7 strata had very limited coverage. See Sauer et al. (2017b) for details of the core and expanded survey areas and strata.

The summary results we present here are based on a log-linear hierarchical model in which the log of the expected counts is a linear function of stratum (S), slope (β), year (γ), observer/route (ω), first year (η), and overdispersion (ε) effects, that is:

$$\log(\lambda_{i,j,t}) = S_i + \beta_i(t - t^*) + \omega_j + \gamma_{i,t} + \eta I(j,t) + \varepsilon_{i,j,t} \quad (1)$$

Counts are assumed to be distributed as Poisson, *i*, *j*, and t index stratum, route/observer, and year, respectively, and  $t^*$  is a fixed year (1986) that centers the regression. Descriptions of the distributions of these parameters are provided in Sauer et al. (2013); the analysis presented here differs slightly from earlier implementations, in that stratum and slope effects are hierarchical, governed by mean and variance hyperparameters that have diffuse normal and gamma distributions, respectively (Sauer et al. 2017b).

This model contains parameters related to population change (i.e.  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ) that are indexed at the stratum scale. Summary of population change is accomplished by first estimating a time series of annual indices that are functions of stratum abundance, slope and year effects, and variance components that are added to accommodate asymmetries in the log normal distribution:

$$n_{i,t} = z_i \exp\left(S_i + \beta_i(t - t^*) + \gamma_{i,t} + 0.5\sigma_{\omega}^2 + 0.5\sigma_{\varepsilon}^2\right)$$
 (2)

where  $z_i$  is a scaling factor (proportion of routes in which the species was encountered in the region). Indices for groups of strata are area-weighted (among regions) yearly indices. Trend is defined as the ratio of annual indices (for region i) for the first year  $(t_a)$  and last year  $(t_b)$  in the period of interest, taken to the appropriate power:

$$B_i = \left\{ \frac{n_{i,t_b}}{n_{i,t_a}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{t_b - t_a}} \tag{3}$$

For regions composed of several strata, trend was defined as the ratio of the regional annual indices. Trend is presented as percent change per year (i.e.  $(B_i - 1)*100\%$ ). Models were fit using Bayesian methods, via the program JAGS (http://mcmc-jags.sourceforge.net/), and inference was based on medians and credible intervals computed from the posterior distributions of parameters and derived statistics. To accommodate the differences in estimated precision in comparing species trend results, we employed the hierarchical model approach described by Sauer and

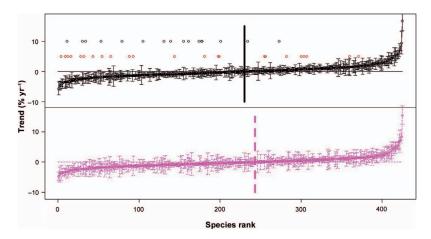


FIGURE 1. Ranked trends (1966-2015) for 424 species of North American birds, as estimated by the North American Breeding Bird Survey. The upper panel shows the results from the log-linear model with hierarchical  $\beta$  and  $\beta$  components, and the lower panel shows results from Sauer et al. (2017a) for the model with nonhierarchical  $\beta$  and  $\delta$ . Species trend data are presented in the Appendix. In each panel, the horizontal line indicates the zero trend, and species are ranked by trend magnitude on the x-axis. Each species trend is indicated by the median (circle) and the 95% credible interval of the posterior distribution of the trend parameter estimated using Sauer and Link's (2002) model. The vertical line indicates the rank order of the species with positive trends (i.e. species to the right of the line have positive trends as identified by the hierarchical model). Red circles indicate ranks of grassland-breeding bird species, and black circles indicate ranks of aridland-breeding bird species.

Link (2002) for ranking and displaying summary trend results. Each species' estimated trend is considered to be normally distributed, with a mean and variance that represent the trend parameter and variance for the species. These trend parameters are defined as normally distributed, with a common overall mean and variance (hierarchical parameters). Modeling the distribution of trends across all species allowed us to estimate the number of increasing species (species with trend >0) and provided a better ranking of the actual trend parameters. We also implemented a State of the Birds summary (e.g., North American Bird Conservation Initiative, U.S. Committee [NABCI] 2014) of composite trajectories for selected species groups. These summaries apply an analysis similar to that in Sauer and Link (2002) to estimate yearly composite mean change, by applying a hierarchical model to annual estimates of change from an initial base year for each subsequent year in the time series (Sauer and Link 2011). The yearly hierarchical models differ from those in Sauer and Link (2002) in that the log means were modeled, leading to a geometric mean summary of trajectories over time (Sauer and Link 2011).

We note that prior BBS analyses (e.g., Sauer et al. 2017a) did not include hierarchical structure in  $\beta$  and S (i.e. these parameters were assumed to be independently distributed as normal random variables with mean 0 and variance  $1 \times$ 10<sup>-6</sup>). The present analysis also included strata with smaller sample sizes than were used in prior analyses (≥3 routes; Sauer et al. 2017b). We thus computed trends for the 424 species in the core area from 1966 to 2015 using Sauer et al's (2017a) model, and we provide occasional comparisons with results to reassure readers of continuity with prior analyses. In recent years, BBS data have been used to document consistent declines in several groups of birds, particularly in grassland-obligate and aridland-obligate breeding bird species (NABCI 2014) and in aerial insectivore species (Nebel et al. 2010, Smith et al. 2015). Because these groups are experiencing the largest declines of any group of species in North America, we highlight their trends in our summary analyses and use Sauer and Link's (2002) method to estimate the proportion of those species with positive trends for the periods 1966-2015 and 1993-2015. We also computed composite population change graphs (i.e. State of the Birds summaries) for these groups.

Fifty-year trends. Over the long term (1966-2015), significantly more species are declining than increasing in the core area. Of the 424 species we analyzed, 195 (95% credible interval: 186, 205) species, or 46% (43.8, 48.2), had positive trends as estimated using Sauer and Link's (2002) hierarchical model (Figure 1 and Appendix; for scientific names of species, see Appendix). Extreme declines occurred in Black Swift (-7.5% yr<sup>-1</sup>; -9.1, -4.3), Bank Swallow  $(-4.9\% \text{ yr}^{-1}; -6.0, -3.9)$ , Evening Grosbeak (-5.0% swallow) $yr^{-1}$ ; -6.4, -3.9), Chestnut-collared Longspur (-4.1%  $yr^{-1}$ ; -5.1, -3.3), and Blackpoll Warbler ( $-4.3\% \text{ yr}^{-1}$ ; -8.2, -1.7). However, other species are experiencing extreme population increases. Top increasers include Eurasian Collared-Dove (32.2% yr<sup>-1</sup>; 27.6, 35.4), Cave Swallow (22.5% yr<sup>-1</sup>; 18.1, 26.7), Wild Turkey (8.0% yr<sup>-1</sup>; 7.1, 8.8), Couch's Kingbird (9.0% yr<sup>-1</sup>; 8.0, 11.4), and Swallow-tailed Kite (6.5% yr<sup>-1</sup>; 5.1, 7.3). Extreme increasing and declining

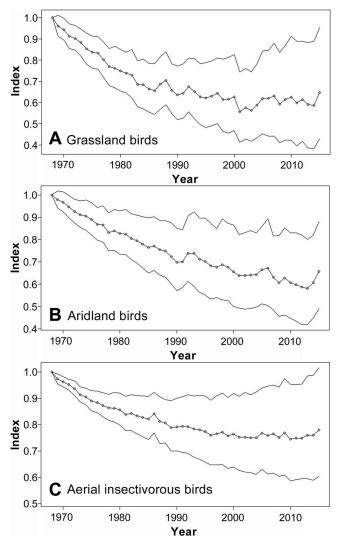


FIGURE 2. State of the Birds composite summaries of population change for 3 groups of management interest: (A) grassland-breeding birds, (B) aridland-breeding birds, and (C) aerial insectivorous species, as defined by Nebel et al. (2010). Index is total proportional change (median and 95% credible interval of the posterior distribution) from the 1968 base year.

species are listed in the rank order estimated by Sauer and Link's (2002) hierarchical model. The analysis using nonhierarchical  $\beta$  and S indicated 182 (171, 194) species, or 43% (40.2, 45.6) species with positive trends (Figure 1; Sauer et al. 2017a).

One of the most obvious generalizations to be made from BBS data is that "big-picture" views of bird populations are not particularly informative. To make sense of a collection of population change estimates from an omnibus survey such as the BBS, we must either consider the individual characteristics of the species (e.g., the extreme increases shown by the invasive Eurasian Collared-Dove) or look for patterns of change among

species sharing common habitat or other life-history attributes. Sauer et al. (2013) provide some discussion of species and group patterns of population change. Here, we update the status assessment of our 3 groups of management interest. Of the 24 grassland bird species, 8 (5, 10) species, or 32% (20, 40), were increasing. Of the 22 aridland bird species, 7 (5, 10) species, or 31.8% (22.7, 45.4), were increasing. Of the 31 aerial insectivores, 8 (6, 10) species, or 25.8% (19.3, 32.3), were increasing. State of the Bird summaries for the 3 species groups (Figure 2) show similar patterns in the context of time series of composite change for the groups. The model with hierarchical  $\beta$  and S indicates slightly more positive trajectories than the model with nonhierarchical  $\beta$  and S, with very similar patterns of year-to-year change.

Recent changes in the expanded survey area (1993-2015). Over the short term (1993–2015), bird species tend to have more positive population trajectories. Of the 546 species included in the expanded area analysis, 306 (294, 318) species, or 56% (53.8, 58.2), had positive trends (Figure 3 and Appendix). Core area results based on the 424 species for which long-term trends were computed had similar proportions of increasers to the larger species collection, with 54% (51.8, 56.5) of species increasing. The declining species groups, although still declining, show more positive trends compared to long-term results in composite analyses. Of the 24 grassland bird species, 10 (8, 12) species, or 41% (32, 48), were increasing. Of the 22 aridland bird species, 10 (7, 12) species, or 45.4% (31.8, 54.6), were increasing. And of the 31 aerial insectivorous species, 11 (8, 13) species, or 35.4% (25.8, 41.9), were increasing. This pattern of less-severe declines after 1993 contrasts with the group trajectories for aerial insectivores estimated in Smith et al. (2015), which generally showed that more recent trends were more severe than earlier trends.

#### **Changing Bird Populations, Changing Analyses**

The 50 years of BBS population change results provide the fundamental information base for bird conservation in North America (Hudson et al. 2017, Rosenberg et al. 2017). Identification of species-level patterns of population change and identifying commonalities in trends among species that share breeding habitats or migration status have proved to be effective approaches for defining groups of species meriting conservation action (NABCI 2014). As evidenced by recent population increases, period-specific patterns of change are also of conservation interest and provide important insights into population change associated with temporal variation in weather and other environmental features (Huang et al. 2016). In addition to describing patterns of population change, modern BBS analyses offer new opportunities for testing hypotheses regarding factors that influence population change. With

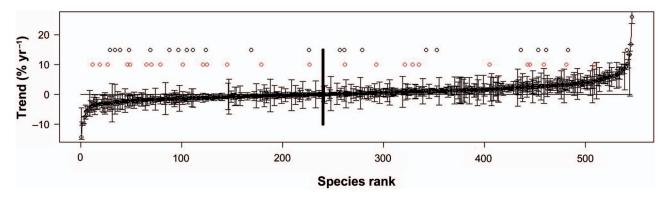


FIGURE 3. Ranked trends (1993–2015) for 546 species of North American birds, as estimated from the North American Breeding Bird Survey. Shown are the results from the log-linear model with hierarchical  $\beta$  and S components for the expanded survey area. Species trend data are presented in the Appendix. The horizontal line indicates the zero trend, and species are ranked by trend magnitude on the x-axis. Each species trend is indicated by the median (circle) and the 95% credible interval of the posterior distribution of the trend parameter estimated using Sauer and Link's (2002) model. The vertical line indicates the rank order of the species with positive trends (i.e. species to the right of the line have positive trends as identified by the hierarchical model). Red circles indicate ranks of grassland-breeding bird species, and black circles indicate ranks of aridland-breeding bird species.

data available at scales ranging from an individual stop to Bird Conservation Regions and even larger geographic scales, the BBS can be used to model spatial as well as temporal associations of bird abundance and change (Niemuth et al. 2017). Hierarchical models also permit aggregation of information among species and can be configured as full life-cycle models that integrate BBS data with banding and other information (Hudson et al. 2017). Model-based BBS analysis thus provides a framework both for controlling for structural limitations such as detectability and for development of models that allow us to predict environmental influences on bird populations. Integrated population models such as that employed for Wood Ducks in this Special Section (Zimmerman et al. 2017) illustrate how hierarchical models allow us to combine BBS results with other datasets to enhance the use of BBS data in population management.

Although the hierarchical models we use for BBS analyses offer many possibilities for analysis, it is difficult to avoid getting bogged down in details of the many models that could be applied to the BBS (Link and Sauer 2016). Even among the national agencies that administer the surveys, we choose slightly different model structures and spatial structuring for summary analyses (e.g., Environment and Climate Change Canada 2017, Sauer et al. 2017a). One of the perennial to-do-list items for administration of the BBS is to tighten collaboration between the national BBS offices, as well as among other groups doing BBS analyses, to ensure authoritative presentation of results. At the moment, achieving this goal is complicated by two issues: (1) uncertainty about details of model structure (Link and Sauer 2016, Link et al. 2017) and (2) expansion of the survey into new regions. Both of these are topics of active research (e.g., Link and

Sauer 2016, Sauer et al. 2017b). Link et al. (2017) used cross-validation methods to compare 4 alternative models for 20 species from BBS data. Given the complexity of the modeling, the lack of temporal and spatial balance in the data due to the expansion of the survey over time (Sauer et al. 2013), and the regions of analysis, our perceptions of the best analysis are certain to be evolving. Although the timely incorporation of improved analyses can be helpful in terms of providing the best available information to users, we strongly advocate peer review of new methods and comparative analyses that ensure credibility and consistency in results over time (e.g., Smith et al. 2014, Sauer et al. 2017b).

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APPENDIX. Population trends for 546 species of North American breeding birds during the periods 1966–2015 and 1993–2015, as documented by the North American Breeding Bird Survey, with lower (2.5%) and upper (97.5%) limits of 95% credible intervals. N is the total number of routes used in the analysis for each species.

			19	966–2015		1993–2015			
Common name	Scientific name	N	Trend (% change yr <sup>-1</sup> )	2.5%	97.5%	Trend (% change yr <sup>-1</sup> )	2.5%	97.5%	
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck	Dendrocygna autumnalis	147	5.736	2.543	8.591	3.454	-0.425	7.106	
Fulvous Whistling-Duck	Dendrocygna bicolor	45	2.222	-0.888	5.195	4.905	1.399	8.713	
Greater White-fronted Goose	Anser albifrons	19		_	_	16.902	16.902	16.902	
Canada Goose	Branta canadensis	3,002	9.941	8.733	11.06	10.827	9.39	12.289	
Mute Swan	Cygnus olor	84	3.178	-0.111	6.23	3.49	-0.847	7.824	
Trumpeter Swan	Cygnus buccinator	125	_	_	_	7.571	7.532	7.859	
Tundra Swan	Cygnus columbianus	26	_	_	_	0.494	-7.228	1.75	
Wood Duck	Aix sponsa	2,252	1.832	1.483	2.196	2.055	1.556	2.555	
Gadwall	Anas strepera	755	2.842	2.032	3.658	4.017	2.771	5.388	
American Wigeon	Anas americana	662	-1.529	-2.588	-0.439	0.434	-1.271	2.347	
American Black Duck	Anas rubripes	551	-1.008	-2.14	0.204	0.139	-1.656	2.297	
Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	3,483	0.539	-0.07	1.108	1.218	0.453	2.099	
Mottled Duck	Anas fulvigula	113	-2.886	-4.464	-1.429	-1.873	-3.74	-0.257	
Blue-winged Teal	Anas discors	1,267	0.885	-0.234	1.889	2.726	0.921	4.495	
Cinnamon Teal	Anas cyanoptera	481	-2.074	-3.085	-1.143	-1.371	-2.687	0.019	
Northern Shoveler	Anas clypeata	718	2.062	0.677	3.312	3.525	1.584	5.46	
Northern Pintail	Anas acuta	800	-2.179	-4.013	-0.662	-0.318	-2.761	2.24	
Green-winged Teal	Anas crecca	907	0.14	-0.889	1.113	1.039	-0.507	2.832	
Canvasback	Aythya valisineria	299	0.929	-1.527	3.1	4.577	1.265	8.343	
Redhead	Aythya americana	449	1.586	-0.027	3.042	3.735	0.838	6.592	
Ring-necked Duck	Aythya collaris	525	3.397	2.073	4.579	3.879	2.456	5.413	
Greater Scaup	Aythya marila	50	_	-	-	-0.108	-3.244	5.673	
Lesser Scaup	Aythya affinis	552	-1.52	-3.592	-0.067	-0.872	-6.723	1.643	
Common Eider	Somateria mollissima	29	-	-	-	-5.564	-8.803	19.477	
Harlequin Duck	Histrionicus histrionicus	58	_	-	-	-3.491	-10.372	2.086	
Surf Scoter	Melanitta perspicillata	27	-	-	-	-3.164	-4.289	-1.776	
White-winged Scoter	Melanitta fusca	41	_	-	-	1.763	-4.345	3.616	
Black Scoter	Melanitta americana	13	-	-	-	6.462	2.947	13.228	
Long-tailed Duck	Clangula hyemalis	14	-	-	-	-3.346	-6.609	-3.332	
Bufflehead	Bucephala albeola	293	3.122	1.987	4.194	3.285	1.779	4.412	
Common Goldeneye	Bucephala clangula	396	0.883	-0.358	2.062	1.321	-0.086	2.829	
Barrow's Goldeneye	Bucephala islandica	133	-1.165	-3.068	0.126	-0.931	-3.091	0.841	
Hooded Merganser	Lophodytes cucullatus	437	4.787	3.911	5.959	5.26	4.06	6.502	
Common Merganser	Mergus merganser	964	-0.21	-1.646	0.829	0.759	-0.273	1.848	
Red-breasted Merganser	Mergus serrator	121	-3.556	-7.998	-0.202	-3.042	-7.14	1.042	
Ruddy Duck	Oxyura jamaicensis	465	1.258	-0.525	2.7	2.991	0.225	5.596	
Plain Chachalaca	Ortalis vetula	4	-	-	-	14.178	13.453	14.727	
Mountain Quail	Oreortyx pictus	183	-0.53	-1.836	0.647	-1.591	-3.145	-0.049	
Scaled Quail	Callipepla squamata	205	-0.595	-1.74	0.473	2.83	1.125	4.56	
California Quail	Callipepla californica	445	0.744	0.134	1.326	0.503	-0.352	1.402	
Gambel's Quail	Callipepla gambelii	153	-0.035	-1.345	1.211	-0.519	-1.961	0.911	
Northern Bobwhite	Colinus virginianus	2,001	-3.493	-3.779	-3.246	−3.038 −3.14	-3.402 -3.319	-2.659	
Montezuma Quail	Cyrtonyx montezumae	10 171	- 1 447	- 0.260	- 3.28	-3.14 3.688	-3.319 1.053	-3.137 7.084	
Chukar Gray Partridge	Alectoris chukar Perdix perdix	452	1.447 —1.615	-0.269 -2.804	-0.552	-1.561	-3.082	0.059	
Ring-necked Pheasant	Phasianus colchicus	1,869	-0.656	-2.804 -1.105	-0.332 $-0.215$	0.028	-0.626	0.039	
Ruffed Grouse	Bonasa umbellus	1,303	0.222	-0.713	1.072	0.593	-0.020 -1.199	2.084	
Greater Sage-Grouse	Centrocercus urophasianus	1,301	-3.189	-5.738	-0.833	-1.823	-5.409	1.857	
Spruce Grouse	Falcipennis canadensis	65	-3.169	-3.730	-0.655	3.932	2.856	4.565	
Willow Ptarmigan	Lagopus lagopus	37	_	_	_	3.361	-2.904	10.73	
Rock Ptarmigan	Lagopus nuta	9	_	_	_	5.624	-2.90 <del>4</del> 5.623	5.624	
Dusky Grouse	Dendragapus obscurus	80	2.095	_ _0.3	4.188	2.464	0.658	4.938	
Sooty Grouse	Dendragapus fuliginosus	143	-1.531	-0.3 -2.882	-0.075	0.317	-1.522	2.474	
Sharp-tailed Grouse	Tympanuchus phasianellus	331	0.811	-0.405	2.032	1.817	0.161	3.661	
Greater Prairie-Chicken	Tympanuchus cupido	94	2.781	-0.403 -1.528	6.185	7.515	1.727	13.28	
Lesser Prairie-Chicken	Tympanuchus pallidicinctus	12	2.761	-1.520	-	15.302	-2.571	23.745	
Wild Turkey	Meleagris gallopavo	2,230	8.025	7.096	8.777	9.391	8.563	10.216	
Red-throated Loon	Gavia stellata	52	-	-	-	2.041	1.978	2.306	
Pacific Loon	Gavia stellata Gavia pacifica	56	_	_	_	-1.181	-1.258	-1.17	
Common Loon	Gavia immer	1,001	0.963	0.306	1.586	1.214	0.259	2.09	
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			19	966–2015		1993–2015			
			Trend (% change			Trend (% change			
Common name	Scientific name	N	yr <sup>-1</sup> )	2.5%	97.5%	yr <sup>-1</sup> )	2.5%	97.5%	
Least Grebe	Tachybaptus dominicus	14	_	_	_	-7.244	-12.849	6.157	
Pied-billed Grebe	Podilymbus podiceps	1,109	1.164	0.155	2.057	3.131	1.637	4.799	
Horned Grebe	Podiceps auritus	213	-0.233	-1.846	1.466	1.539	-0.798	4.118	
Red-necked Grebe	Podiceps grisegena	243	0.548	-1.192	1.636	0.717	-0.806	2.23	
Eared Grebe	Podiceps nigricollis	322	1.116	-0.829	3.092	3.159	0.336	6.387	
Western Grebe	Aechmophorus occidentalis	236	-0.062	-2.261	1.579	1.983	-0.451	4.204	
Wood Stork	Mycteria americana	163	2.306	-0.424	6.195	5.136	0.924	14.203	
Magnificent Frigatebird	Fregata magnificens Morus bassanus	9	_	_	-	1.114 15.974	-3.091	3.014 19.234	
Northern Gannet Brandt's Cormorant	Phalacrocorax penicillatus	9	_	_	_	0.217	12.116 0.217	0.217	
Neotropic Cormorant	Phalacrocorax brasilianus	46	_	_	_	7.229	4.991	7.915	
Double-crested Cormorant	Phalacrocorax auritus	1,193	4.31	2.826	5.332	5.746	3.842	7.446	
Pelagic Cormorant	Phalacrocorax pelagicus	24	-2.514	-6.31	1.372	-3.048	-7.462	1.806	
Anhinga	Anhinga anhinga	238	1.414	0.458	2.516	2.652	1.293	4.506	
American White Pelican	Pelecanus erythrorhynchos	405	5.986	4.159	7.52	8.121	5.983	10.519	
Brown Pelican	Pelecanus occidentalis	56	3.003	-0.31	6.349	2.56	-3.192	7.571	
American Bittern	Botaurus lentiginosus	1,136	-0.465	-1.417	0.378	1.049	-0.099	2.387	
Least Bittern	Ixobrychus exilis	126	0.496	-1.352	2.184	0.954	-1.727	3.54	
Great Blue Heron	Ardea herodias	3,581	0.517	0.284	0.742	0.827	0.511	1.16	
Great Egret	Ardea alba	1,033	2.076	1.16	2.887	3.02	1.849	4.311	
Snowy Egret	Egretta thula	491	1.615	0.15	3.117	2.438	0.295	4.783	
Little Blue Heron	Egretta caerulea	669	-1.634	-2.332	-0.908	-1.228	-2.198	-0.063	
Tricolored Heron	Egretta tricolor	194	-0.25	-1.804	0.866	0.245	-1.73	1.712	
Reddish Egret	Egretta rufescens	26	_	-	-	3.292	1.998	4.672	
Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis	854	-1.269	-2.148	-0.327	-1.425	-2.697	-0.064	
Green Heron	Butorides virescens	2,287	-1.753	-1.976	-1.542	-1.749	-2.096	-1.402	
Black-crowned Night-Heron	Nycticorax nycticorax	765	-0.379	-1.315	0.493	0.479	-0.906	1.95	
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	Nyctanassa violacea	390	-0.64	-1.81	0.359	-0.014	-1.37	1.372	
White Ibis	Eudocimus albus	321	3.862	1.688	6.42	5.392	0.593	10.353	
Glossy Ibis	Plegadis falcinellus	83	4.287	1.462	7.331	8.161	3.477	13.8	
White-faced Ibis	Plegadis chihi	185	2.499	-1.276	6.759	6.895	0.913	15.887	
Roseate Spoonbill Black Vulture	Platalea ajaja Coragyps atratus	77 1,022	5.289 4.931	4.467 4.278	8.401 5.536	6.726 5.453	4.491 4.573	10.201 6.312	
Turkey Vulture	Cathartes aura	3,418	2.438	2.144	2.741	3.433	2.699	3.293	
Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	1,053	2.622	2.144	3.17	3.921	3.414	4.528	
Swallow-tailed Kite	Elanoides forficatus	130	6.509	5.114	7.29	6.671	4.889	7.5	
White-tailed Kite	Elanus leucurus	121	-1.401	-2.754	-0.14	-1.451	-3.696	0.397	
Mississippi Kite	Ictinia mississippiensis	469	0.996	-0.014	1.827	2.549	1.645	3.5	
Bald Eagle	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	1,008	5.39	4.369	6.247	4.093	3.012	5.054	
Northern Harrier	Circus cyaneus	1,976	-1.006	-1.377	-0.633	-0.95	-1.478	-0.453	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	Accipiter striatus	1,376	1.371	0.989	1.784	1.575	0.954	2.173	
Cooper's Hawk	Accipiter cooperii	2,122	2.977	2.58	3.301	3.466	3.004	3.869	
Northern Goshawk	Accipiter gentilis	459	0.292	-0.537	1.143	0.812	-0.531	2.272	
Harris's Hawk	Parabuteo unicinctus	74	-1.759	-3.254	-0.39	-2.236	-4.475	-0.26	
White-tailed Hawk	Geranoaetus albicaudatus	26	_	-	_	3.138	1.93	4.962	
Gray Hawk	Buteo plagiatus	6	_	-	_	8.492	8.262	8.538	
Red-shouldered Hawk	Buteo lineatus	1,657	2.711	2.395	3.027	3.03	2.59	3.463	
Broad-winged Hawk	Buteo platypterus	1,520	0.79	0.422	1.105	1.012	0.55	1.461	
Short-tailed Hawk	Buteo brachyurus	9	_			9.119	7.748	10.016	
Swainson's Hawk	Buteo swainsoni	1,158	0.77	0.485	1.103	0.942	0.54	1.355	
Zone-tailed Hawk	Buteo albonotatus	22	-	1 220	1.607	3.751	3.695	3.953	
Red-tailed Hawk	Buteo Jamaicensis	4,237	1.514	1.329	1.697	1.374	1.128	1.616	
Rough-legged Hawk	Buteo lagopus	25 502	_ 0.937	- 0.10	- 1 500	0.397	-3.49	1.383	
Ferruginous Hawk	Buteo regalis	502 700	0.837	0.18	1.509	0.897	0.112	1.673	
Golden Eagle Yellow Rail	Aquila chrysaetos Coturnicops noveboracensis	709 58	0.007	-0.453	0.467	0.136 2.187	-0.413 -4.384	0.683 9.633	
Plack Rail	Laterallus jamaicensis	3	_	_	_	6.018	-4.384 5.968	9.033 6.02	
Clapper Rail	Rallus crepitans	69	_ _0.218	_ _1.624	1.908	0.018	-0.906	2.822	
King Rail	Rallus elegans	69	-0.218 -4.185	-6.453	-1.859	-5.112	-0.906 -8.94	2.022 -1.514	
Virginia Rail	Rallus limicola	379	-4.163 1.791	0.799	2.798	3.071	-6.94 1.534	4.75	
Sora	Porzana carolina	1,049	0.519	-0.684	1.543	1.433	0.131	2.672	
		. ,	0.017	-4.292	0.788	-0.577	-4.021	3.492	

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Common Gallinule American Coot	Gallinula galeata Fulica americana	235 1,040	1.637 0.766	-2.955 -1.087	-0.216 2.296	1.662 4.627	-3.594 1.948	0.412 7.307
Limpkin	Aramus quarauna	39	-	-1.067	- 2.290	1.376	-3.26	8.346
Sandhill Crane	Grus canadensis	834	5.118	4.471	5.736	5.514	4.196	6.574
Black-necked Stilt	Himantopus mexicanus	290	2.122	0.424	3.762	3.465	1.366	5.58
American Avocet	Recurvirostra americana	489	0.301	-1.053	1.384	1.293	-0.308	2.854
American Oystercatcher	Haematopus palliatus	7	-	-	-	-2.143	-3.115	-0.858
Black Oystercatcher	Haematopus bachmani	15	-	_	-	-2.545	-13.049	5.672
American Golden-Plover	Pluvialis dominica	12	-	_	-	-1.552	-7.589	3.23
Pacific Golden-Plover	Pluvialis fulva	10	_	-	-	0.295	-0.117	0.295
Snowy Plover	Charadrius nivosus	4	_	_	-	1.641	-5.081	8.368
Wilson's Plover Semipalmated Plover	Charadrius wilsonia Charadrius semipalmatus	13 50	_	_	_	4.609 2.677	-3.558 -5.667	9.582 0.395
Killdeer	Charadrius vociferus	4221	_ _1.053	_ _1.228	-0.886	-2.677 -0.376	-0.592	-0.158
Mountain Plover	Charadrius montanus	79	-2.04	-4.45	-0.556	-1.557	-4.239	0.136
Spotted Sandpiper	Actitis macularius	1,970	-1.342	-1.707	-0.982	-0.733	-1.391	-0.003
Solitary Sandpiper	Tringa solitaria	190	0.086	-0.336	2.198	1.495	0.773	4.788
Wandering Tattler	Tringa incana	10	_	_	_	-0.6	-11.949	8.919
Greater Yellowlegs	Tringa melanoleuca	168	2.237	-0.224	4.49	2.077	0.38	3.824
Willet	Tringa semipalmata	528	-0.489	-1.033	0.065	-0.156	-0.901	0.602
Lesser Yellowlegs	Tringa flavipes	254	-2.205	-4.594	0.204	-1.695	-3.635	0.378
Upland Sandpiper	Bartramia longicauda	1,024	0.389	-0.102	0.83	0.956	0.33	1.626
Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus	19	-	-	-	3.631	3.077	3.709
Long-billed Curlew Bar-tailed Godwit	Numenius americanus	474 4	0.235	-0.506	0.933	0.491	-1.219	1.52
Marbled Godwit	Limosa lapponica Limosa fedoa	368	_ _0.218	- -0.639	- 0.166	-9.375 0.422	-26.553 -0.164	0.38 0.834
Ruddy Turnstone	Arenaria interpres	5	-0.216	-0.039	-	-14.657	-0.104 -15.149	-13.871
Least Sandpiper	Calidris minutilla	30	_	_	_	-3.759	-6.66	0.839
Western Sandpiper	Calidris mauri	11	_	_	_	-2.425	-13.703	-0.995
Short-billed Dowitcher	Limnodromus griseus	12	_	_	_	-0.746	-9.151	4.041
Wilson's Snipe	Gallinago delicata	1,964	0.251	-0.215	0.657	0.907	-0.26	1.847
American Woodcock	Scolopax minor	592	-1.441	-2.045	-0.822	-1.019	-1.99	-0.018
Wilson's Phalarope	Phalaropus tricolor	596	-0.334	-1.435	0.682	1.021	-0.631	2.761
Red-necked Phalarope	Phalaropus lobatus	24	_	-	-	-2.144	-2.556	0.632
Parasitic Jaeger	Stercorarius parasiticus	9	_	_	_	0.159	0.138	0.16
Long-tailed Jaeger Black Guillemot	Stercorarius longicaudus Cepphus grylle	19 10	_	_	_	-4.095 3.116	-8.886 3.048	0.744 4.555
Pigeon Guillemot	Cepphus columba	22	_	_	_	1.815	-1.809	8.608
Marbled Murrelet	Brachyramphus marmoratus	47	_	_	_	2.904	0.94	5.366
Rhinoceros Auklet	Cerorhinca monocerata	8	_	_	_	7.678	-2.324	16.452
Black-legged Kittiwake	Rissa tridactyla	14	_	_	_	9.292	3.825	19.555
Bonaparte's Gull	Chroicocephalus philadelphia	134	_	-	-	-1.616	-2.051	-1.194
Laughing Gull	Leucophaeus atricilla	198	2.438	0.547	4.515	2.726	0.087	5.678
Franklin's Gull	Leucophaeus pipixcan	373	-2.244	-4.791	-0.062	-0.183	-3.54	3.501
Mew Gull	Larus canus	139	_	_	-	-4.604	-6.902	-2.758
Ring-billed Gull	Larus delawarensis	1,274	1.67	0.574	2.772	2.083	0.15	3.875
Western Gull	Larus occidentalis	27	-2.653	-6.087	3.02	-1.181	-4.603	8.159
California Gull Herring Gull	Larus californicus Larus argentatus	408 717	-0.945 -3.353	-2.356 -5.559	0.538 -2.093	1.334 2.427	-1.092 -4.379	3.719 -0.649
Glaucous-winged Gull	Larus argernatus Larus glaucescens	104	-3.333 -1.165	-3.636	1.122	-2.427 -4.138	-4.37 <i>9</i> -6.814	-0.352
Glaucous Gull	Larus hyperboreus	17	-	-	-	13.395	13.395	13.395
Great Black-backed Gull	Larus marinus	148	0.295	-7.545	1.216	2.544	-4.969	4.888
Aleutian Tern	Onychoprion aleuticus	6	-	-	-	-15.105	-15.277	-2.354
Least Tern	Sternula antillarum	135	-2.719	-5.63	0.067	-1.204	-4.481	2.548
Gull-billed Tern	Gelochelidon nilotica	36	2.117	0.146	4.724	3.874	1.954	7.392
Caspian Tern	Hydroprogne caspia	212	1.009	-0.872	2.466	1.661	-0.757	3.853
Black Tern_	Chlidonias niger	538	-1.389	-3.416	0.229	2.009	-0.428	4.883
Common Tern	Sterna hirundo	253	-1.858	-3.786	0.314	-0.585	-2.896	3.16
Arctic Tern	Sterna paradisaea	81	-	-	-	-3.064	-5.777	0.008
Forster's Tern	Sterna forsteri Thalasseus maximus	285 57	-0.93 0.476	-2.636	0.615	0.223	-2.498 -2.269	2.554
Royal Tern Sandwich Tern	Thalasseus maximus Thalasseus sandvicensis	57 7	0.476	-2.338 -	4.43 -	2.063 7.932	-2.269 6.816	10.591 10.746
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Black Skimmer	Rynchops niger	59	-2.626	-4.693	0.478	-1.932	-3.867	2.048		
Rock Pigeon	Columba livia	3,425	-2.020 -1.131	-4.093 -1.425	-0.867	-0.396	-0.832	-0.038		
White-crowned Pigeon	Patagioenas leucocephala	9	-	-	-	3.41	1.443	5.374		
Band-tailed Pigeon	Patagioenas fasciata	329	-1.708	-3.001	-0.573	-0.735	-2.047	0.644		
Eurasian Collared-Dove	Streptopelia decaocto	1,469	32.275	27.639	35.466	30.067	27.669	32.416		
Spotted Dove	Streptopelia chinensis	13	_	-	-	-6.243	-7.433	-1.162		
Inca Dove	Columbina inca	221	1.806	0.765	2.847	1.299	-0.28	2.744		
Common Ground-Dove	Columbina passerina	335	-0.809	-1.495	-0.117	-0.425	-1.426	0.543		
White-tipped Dove	Leptotila verreauxi	19	_	_	-	7.808	5.523	11.985		
White-winged Dove	Zenaida asiatica	331	1.307	-0.131	2.427	2.146	0.686	3.291		
Mourning Dove	Zenaida macroura	4,372	-0.275	-0.393	-0.16	0.072	-0.067	0.214		
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Coccyzus americanus	2,357 9	-1.445 -	-1.683 -	-1.218 -	1.056 1.905	-1.375 -7.377	-0.735 4.86		
Mangrove Cuckoo Black-billed Cuckoo	Coccyzus minor Coccyzus erythropthalmus	1,699	_ -1.646	_ _2.652	_ -0.765	1.39	0.017	3.013		
Greater Roadrunner	Geococcyx californianus	488	0.925	0.259	1.56	1.471	0.389	2.541		
Smooth-billed Ani	Crotophaga ani	10	-	-	-	-9.846	-9.846	-9.846		
Groove-billed Ani	Crotophaga sulcirostris	25	-0.519	-2.859	2.889	-1.068	-6.35	2.91		
Barn Owl	Tyto alba	147	2.326	0.755	3.767	3.602	1.58	5.597		
Western Screech-Owl	Megascops kennicottii	99	-0.529	-1.831	0.841	0.069	-1.202	1.773		
Eastern Screech-Owl	Megascops asio	613	-0.877	-1.619	-0.152	-0.375	-1.479	0.781		
Great Horned Owl	Bubo virginianus	2,653	-0.462	-0.83	-0.126	-0.303	-0.803	0.219		
Northern Hawk Owl	Surnia ulula	44	_	-	-	4.036	-0.332	8.373		
Northern Pygmy-Owl	Glaucidium gnoma	241	0.896	-0.139	1.944	1.248	0.022	2.601		
Elf Owl	Micrathene whitneyi	14	_	_	-	3.207	-2.611	5.487		
Burrowing Owl	Athene cunicularia	592	-0.933	-1.725	-0.178	0.152	-1.025	1.394		
Spotted Owl	Strix occidentalis	16	1 702	1 250	2.052	-1.186	-4.98	2.28		
Barred Owl Great Gray Owl	Strix varia Strix nebulosa	1,560 74	1.703 –	1.358 –	2.053	2.031 2.246	1.544 0.524	2.58 5.384		
Long-eared Owl	Asio otus	44	_	_	_	0.1	-3.794	3.238		
Short-eared Owl	Asio otas Asio flammeus	474	-0.772	-2.929	1.081	1.477	-1.701	4.751		
Boreal Owl	Aegolius funereus	12	-	_	-	-9.995	-10.046	-9.105		
Northern Saw-whet Owl	Aegolius acadicus	68	_	_	_	1.781	-2.376	6.822		
Lesser Nighthawk	Chordeiles acutipennis	202	0.235	-1.051	0.98	0.277	-1.226	1.121		
Common Nighthawk	Chordeiles minor	2,583	-1.915	-2.25	-1.587	-1.266	-1.669	-0.813		
Common Pauraque	Nyctidromus albicollis	27	_	-	-	2.824	2.31	3.344		
Common Poorwill	Phalaenoptilus nuttallii	349	0.002	-1.086	0.99	0.616	-0.666	1.956		
Chuck-will's-widow	Antrostomus carolinensis	766	-2.258	-2.556	-1.984	-2.002	-2.329	-1.652		
Eastern Whip-poor-will	Antrostomus vociferus	809	-2.777	-3.189	-2.255	-2.353	-3.051	-1.629		
Black Swift	Cypseloides niger	114	-7.525	-9.124	-4.339	-7.093	-8.805	-3.784		
Chimney Swift	Chaetura pelagica	2,546	-2.474	-2.622	-2.326	-2.503	-2.713	-2.296		
Vaux's Swift White-throated Swift	Chaetura vauxi Aeronautes saxatalis	282 392	-1.883 -0.637	-2.861 -2.48	-0.675 0.383	-1.463 -0.216	-2.57 -1.556	-0.153 1.479		
Magnificent Hummingbird	Eugenes fulgens	4	-0.037	-2.40	-	0.282	0.282	0.282		
Blue-throated Hummingbird	Lampornis clemenciae	4	_	_	_	-2.223	-3.024	0.202		
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Archilochus colubris	2,364	1.499	1.279	1.711	1.618	1.306	1.937		
Black-chinned Hummingbird	Archilochus alexandri	440	1.154	0.638	1.639	1.411	0.795	2.002		
Anna's Hummingbird	Calypte anna	237	2.41	1.768	2.879	2.7	1.788	3.345		
Costa's Hummingbird	Calypte costae	98	-0.996	-3.339	1.282	-3.908	-7.148	-0.899		
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	Selasphorus platycercus	289	-1.488	-2.071	-0.933	-1.524	-2.202	-0.861		
Rufous Hummingbird	Selasphorus rufus	385	-2.008	-2.511	-1.42	-1.608	-2.173	-0.875		
Allen's Hummingbird	Selasphorus sasin	57	-4.23	-5.623	-3.023	-4.238	-5.594	-2.781		
Calliope Hummingbird	Selasphorus calliope	216	-0.022	-0.908	0.875	0.558	-0.611	1.911		
Broad-billed Hummingbird	Cynanthus latirostris	7	_	-	-	4.622	4.593	4.641		
Buff-bellied Hummingbird	Amazilia yucatanensis	9	_	-	-	2.981	-5.138	12.751		
Elegant Trogon	Trogon elegans	4 2 172	- 1 262	- 1 66	- 1 001	6.27	6.269	6.322		
Belted Kingfisher	Megaceryle alcyon	3,173	-1.363 -	-1.66 -	-1.081 -	-1.245 1.518	1.679 7.441	-0.793 13.902		
Green Kingfisher Lewis's Woodpecker	Chloroceryle americana Melanerpes lewis	6 196	_ -2.254	-3.686	_ _1.227	-1.6	-7.441 -2.928	-0.336		
Red-headed Woodpecker	Melanerpes erythrocephalus	1,847	-2.234 -2.298	-3.666 -2.619	-1.227 -1.983	-1.6 -1.472	-2.926 -1.886	-0.536 -1.046		
Acorn Woodpecker	Melanerpes formicivorus	205	0.631	-0.236	1.306	1.077	0.322	1.877		
Gila Woodpecker	Melanerpes uropygialis	46	-0.352	-1.744	0.476	-0.378	-1.887	0.601		

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Golden-fronted Woodpecker	Melanerpes aurifrons	106	-0.843	-1.444	-0.185	-0.614	-1.371	0.285
Red-bellied Woodpecker	Melanerpes carolinus	2,072	1.03	0.897	1.157	1.184	1.011	1.36
Williamson's Sapsucker	Sphyrapicus thyroideus	177	0.125	-1.04	1.37	0.662	-0.556	2.043
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	Sphyrapicus varius	1,147	1.374	0.736	1.918	2.265	1.342	3.097
Red-naped Sapsucker	Sphyrapicus nuchalis	382	1.258	0.501	2.008	0.963	-0.197	2.096
Red-breasted Sapsucker	Sphyrapicus ruber	305	1.169	0.174	2.138	2.559	0.994	4.344
Ladder-backed Woodpecker	Picoides scalaris	322	0.151	-0.316	0.623	0.371	-0.138	0.895
Nuttall's Woodpecker	Picoides nuttallii	127	0.986	0.201	1.723	1.384	0.39	2.452
Downy Woodpecker	Picoides pubescens	3,533	0.087	-0.057	0.228	0.241	0.021	0.456
Hairy Woodpecker	Picoides villosus	3,439	0.906	0.653	1.181	1.089	0.76	1.434
Arizona Woodpecker	Picoides arizonae	5	_	_	_	2.256	2.256	2.256
Red-cockaded Woodpecker	Picoides borealis	56	-4.197	-5.183	-1.464	-3.2	-4.267	0.41
White-headed Woodpecker	Picoides albolarvatus	113	1.23	0.172	2.163	1.326	-0.035	2.587
American Three-toed	Picoides dorsalis	213	3.674	2.207	5.192	4.508	2.18	6.653
Woodpecker	o:	200	2.254	0.500	2 420	0.557		
Black-backed Woodpecker	Picoides arcticus	308	2.054	0.538	3.439	2.557	0.018	4.809
Northern Flicker	Colaptes auratus auratus	4,276	-1.362	-1.522	-1.208	-1.092	-1.383	-0.785
Gilded Flicker	Colaptes chrysoides	37	-2.012	-2.836	-0.309	-1.875	-2.819	0.101
Pileated Woodpecker	Dryocopus pileatus	2,709	1.516	1.291	1.732	1.805	1.508	2.089
Crested Caracara	Caracara cheriway	116	6.264	4.893	7.645	5.304	3.307	7.136
American Kestrel	Falco sparverius	3,599	-1.14	-1.399	-0.902	-0.874	-1.225	-0.527
Merlin	Falco columbarius	680	3.63	2.71	4.506	3.629	2.464	4.687
Gyrfalcon	Falco rusticolus	6	_	_	_	-0.147	-1.008	0.042
Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus	142	5.296	4.317	7.286	6.157	4.855	9.122
Prairie Falcon	Falco mexicanus	570	1.175	0.48	1.867	1.536	0.613	2.531
Monk Parakeet	Myiopsitta monachus	10	_	_	_	16.525	8.84	23.298
Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet	Camptostoma imberbe	6	_	_	_	1.242	1.24	1.244
Olive-sided Flycatcher	Contopus cooperi	1,421	-3.041	-3.557	-2.596	-2.535	-3.193	-1.862
Greater Pewee	Contopus pertinax	. 8	_	_	_	5.798	3.914	6.372
Western Wood-Pewee	Contopus sordidulus	1,371	-1.463	-2.186	-0.974	-1.086	-1.604	-0.552
Eastern Wood-Pewee	Contopus virens	2,521	-1.418	-1.544	-1.301	-1.147	-1.313	-0.982
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	Empidonax flaviventris	547	2.41	0.928	3.516	4.188	2.354	5.897
Acadian Flycatcher	Empidonax virescens	1,303	-0.227	-0.457	-0.016	0.137	-0.171	0.442
Willow Flycatcher	Empidonax traillii	2,722	-0.852	-1.312	-0.389	-1.198	-1.873	-0.554
Least Flycatcher	Empidonax minimus	1,918	-1.702	-2.045	-1.372	-1.802	-2.253	-1.325
Hammond's Flycatcher	Empidonax hammondii	546	0.828	0.241	1.432	1.24	0.402	2.355
Gray Flycatcher	Empidonax wrightii	266	2.276	1.819	2.946	2.643	2.078	3.47
Dusky Flycatcher	Empidonax oberholseri	597	-0.467	-1.384	0.31	-0.376	-1.349	0.578
Pacific-slope Flycatcher	Empidonax difficilis	693	-0.4	-0.945	0.136	-0.004	-0.645	0.668
Black Phoebe	Sayornis nigricans	261	2.467	1.683	3.208	2.618	1.637	3.611
Eastern Phoebe	Sayornis phoebe	2,569	0.341	-0.097	0.643	0.102	-0.168	0.357
Say's Phoebe	Sayornis saya	1,074	1.174	0.722	1.576	1.47	0.948	2.003
Vermilion Flycatcher	Pyrocephalus rubinus	117	0.098	-0.719	1.421	0.473	-0.438	1.98
Dusky-capped Flycatcher	Myiarchus tuberculifer	12	-	-0.719	-	0.492	-0.436 -0.127	1.033
Ash-throated Flycatcher	Myiarchus cinerascens	720	1.103	0.742	1.489	1.225	0.787	1.699
Great Crested Flycatcher	Myiarchus crinitus	2,649	0.001	-0.13	0.131	0.187	-0.001	0.376
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Brown-crested Flycatcher	Myiarchus tyrannulus	96 21	3.455	2.36	4.554	3.617	2.171	4.9
Great Kiskadee	Pitangus sulphuratus	31	_	-	-	4.535	3.949	7.914
Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher	Myiodynastes luteiventris	4	-	-	-	10.052	1.008	10.581
Couch's Kingbird	Tyrannus couchii	44	8.972	8.043	11.375	9.186	8.107	11.814
Cassin's Kingbird	Tyrannus vociferans	267	0.352	-0.584	1.25	0.988	-0.099	1.969
Thick-billed Kingbird	Tyrannus crassirostris	3	_	-	-	-5.649	-5.67	-5.648
Western Kingbird	Tyrannus verticalis	1,653	0.1	-0.238	0.419	0.109	-0.29	0.519
Eastern Kingbird	Tyrannus tyrannus	3,446	-1.279	-1.433	-1.135	-1.493	-1.727	-1.259
Gray Kingbird	Tyrannus dominicensis	30	_	_	_	-0.086	-1.988	3.493
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	Tyrannus forficatus	453	-0.747	-1.036	-0.455	-0.665	-1.129	-0.203
Loggerhead Shrike	Lanius Iudovicianus	2,062	-2.764	-3.055	-2.483	-2.36	-2.788	-1.91
Northern Shrike	Lanius excubitor	25	_	-	-	-1.666	-1.687	-1.644
White-eyed Vireo	Vireo griseus	1,493	0.623	0.423	0.818	0.926	0.653	1.195
Bell's Vireo	Vireo bellii	536	0.728	0.038	1.383	1.547	0.692	2.478
Black-capped Vireo	Vireo atricapilla	10	_	_	_	2.889	2.889	2.889
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Yellow-throated Vireo	Vireo flavifrons	1,840	1.034	0.833	1.258	1.343	1.078	1.636	
Plumbeous Vireo	Vireo plumbeus	274	-2.361	-4.173	-0.486	0.538	-0.211	2.052	
Cassin's Vireo	Vireo cassinii	471	1.094	0.544	1.645	1.363	0.564	2.149	
Blue-headed Vireo	Vireo solitarius	1,192	3.09	2.37	3.708	2.768	1.21	3.84	
Hutton's Vireo	Vireo huttoni	234	1.344	0.574	2.161	1.93	0.837	3.058	
Warbling Vireo	Vireo gilvus	2,868	0.909	0.655	1.157	1.084	0.75	1.432	
Philadelphia Vireo	Vireo philadelphicus	478	2.649	0.664	4.303	3.546	1.186	6.101	
Red-eyed Vireo	Vireo olivaceus	3,248	0.739	0.538	0.939	0.859	0.565	1.134	
Black-whiskered Vireo	Vireo altiloquus	15	-	1.054	-	-0.616	-2.43	1.182	
Gray Jay	Perisoreus canadensis	890	-0.121	-1.054	0.59	0.302	-0.662	1.296	
Green Jay	Cyanocorax yncas	30	9.16	5.769	12.592	11.577	6.631	17.286	
Pinyon Jay	Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus	288	-3.548	-4.64	-2.38	-3.332	-4.547	-1.729	
Steller's Jay	Cyanocitta stelleri	664	-0.193	-0.503	0.11	-0.294	-0.711	0.112	
Blue Jay	Cyanocitta cristata	3,090	-0.663	-0.757	-0.577	-0.545	-0.675	-0.416	
Florida Scrub-Jay	Aphelocoma coerulescens	12	- 0.107	-	- 0.227	-2.797	-2.797	-2.796	
Western Scrub-Jay	Aphelocoma californica	498	-0.187	-0.626	0.237	-0.339	-0.933	0.227	
Mexican Jay	Aphelocoma wollweberi	13	-	- 0.76	-	-1.614	-1.614	-1.614	
Clark's Nutcracker	Nucifraga columbiana Pica hudsonia	414	0.107	-0.76	0.961	0.614	-0.482	1.741	
Black-billed Magpie		1,167	-0.474	-0.798	-0.152	0.099	-0.306	0.503	
Yellow-billed Magpie	Pica nuttalli	47	-2.892	-3.967	-1.835	-3.756	-5.467	-2.171	
American Crow	Corvus brachyrhynchos	4,150	0.093	-0.024	0.201	-0.008	-0.141	0.121	
Northwestern Crow	Corvus caurinus Corvus ossifragus	77	-0.212	-1.133	0.592	0.829	-0.351	1.293	
Fish Crow	3	847	0.539	0.129	0.978	1.072	0.48	1.673	
Chihuahuan Raven	Corvus cryptoleucus	173	-0.307	-1.482	0.621	-0.121	-1.684	1.098	
Common Raven	Corvus corax	2,706	2.144	1.541	2.561	2.702	2.202	3.116	
Horned Lark	Eremophila alpestris	2,630	-2.46 0.041	-2.839	-2.138	-2.255	-2.624	-1.876	
Purple Martin	Progne subis	2,351	-0.841 -1.283	-1.22	-0.524 -0.941	-0.119 -0.542	-0.533 $-0.898$	0.284 0.186	
Tree Swallow Violet-green Swallow	Tachycineta bicolor	3,228	-1.263 -0.664	-1.668 -1.145	-0.941 -0.227	-0.542 -0.667	-0.696 -1.227	-0.180 -0.133	
	Tachycineta thalassina	1,046 3,214	-0.664 -0.437	-0.776	-0.227 -0.128	0.018	-1.227 -0.45	-0.133 0.45	
Northern Rough-winged Swallow Bank Swallow	Stelgidopteryx serripennis Riparia riparia		-0.437 -4.916	-0.776 -5.986	-0.126 -3.899	-3.621	-0.45 -5.158	-1.905	
Cliff Swallow	Petrochelidon pyrrhonota	1,945 3,133	-4.910 0.694	-0.016	-3.699 1.111	2.845	-3.136 2.17	3.507	
Cave Swallow	Petrochelidon fulva	118	22.493	18.155	26.717	13.854	6.307	21.107	
Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	4,338	-1.18	-1.326	-1.036	-1.002	-1.17	-0.828	
Carolina Chickadee	Poecile carolinensis	1,322	-0.333	-0.518	-0.155	-0.335	-0.597	-0.026	
Black-capped Chickadee	Poecile atricapillus	2,477	0.555	0.377	0.133	0.999	0.577	1.332	
Mountain Chickadee	Poecile gambeli	580	-1.279	-1.814	-0.849	-1.113	-1.721	-0.501	
Chestnut—backed Chickadee	Poecile rufescens	276	-1.408	-2.291	-0.569	-0.968	-2.061	0.086	
Boreal Chickadee	Poecile hudsonicus	529	-0.131	-1.006	0.678	1.069	-0.442	2.709	
Bridled Titmouse	Baeolophus wollweberi	15	-	-	-	-0.929	-1.007	-0.84	
Oak Titmouse	Baeolophus inornatus	155	-1.581	-2.242	-0.908	-1.738	-2.663	-0.826	
Juniper Titmouse	Baeolophus ridgwayi	179	0.539	-0.598	1.694	0.916	-0.387	2.357	
Tufted Titmouse	Baeolophus bicolor	2,022	1.099	0.932	1.258	1.226	1.017	1.435	
Verdin	Auriparus flaviceps	198	-1.703	-2.813	-0.659	-0.938	-2.127	0.35	
Bushtit	Psaltriparus minimus	485	-0.694	-1.891	0.337	-0.666	-2.182	0.893	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	Sitta canadensis	1,821	0.842	0.248	1.348	-0.334	-0.958	0.258	
White-breasted Nuthatch	Sitta carolinensis	2,658	1.822	1.564	2.067	2.12	1.805	2.447	
Pygmy Nuthatch	Sitta pygmaea	244	-0.596	-2.002	0.815	-0.473	-2.051	1.146	
Brown-headed Nuthatch	Sitta pusilla	508	-0.407	-0.874	0.061	0.201	-0.471	0.894	
Brown Creeper	Certhia americana	1,165	0.594	0.083	1.038	1.035	0.363	1.664	
Rock Wren	Salpinctes obsoletus	961	-0.781	-1.333	-0.247	-0.585	-1.28	0.112	
Canyon Wren	Catherpes mexicanus	352	0.221	-0.601	1.065	0.888	-0.149	2.009	
House Wren	Troglodytes aedon	3,025	0.267	0.095	0.429	-0.042	-0.266	0.174	
Pacific Wren	Troglodytes pacificus	354	-0.625	-1.392	0.102	-0.171	-1.533	2.158	
Winter Wren	Troglodytes hiemalis	900	0.23	-0.662	1.042	-1.753	-2.742	-0.81	
Sedge Wren	Cistothorus platensis	658	0.51	-0.397	1.261	0.176	-0.837	1.157	
Marsh Wren	Cistothorus palustris	746	1.923	1.108	2.706	2.568	1.332	3.824	
Carolina Wren	Thryothorus Iudovicianus	1,778	1.065	0.876	1.247	0.529	0.318	0.745	
Bewick's Wren	Thryomanes bewickii	952	-0.975	-1.552	-0.415	-0.713	-1.354	-0.016	
Cactus Wren	Campylorhynchus brunneicapil	251	-1.527	-2.437	-0.68	-2.036	-3.107	-0.951	
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	Polioptila caerulea	2,180	0.443	0.205	0.677	0.48	0.15	0.796	

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California Gnatcatcher	Polioptila californica	5	-	-	-	-5.382	-5.976	2.881
Black-tailed Gnatcatcher	Polioptila melanura	118	-0.026	-1.843	1.773	0.311	-1.639	2.333
American Dipper	Cinclus mexicanus	238	-0.204	-0.956	0.501	-0.26	-1.186	0.804
Golden-crowned Kinglet	Regulus satrapa	1,179	-1.217	-1.925	-0.553	-0.383	-1.341	0.728
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Regulus calendula	1,388	0.38	-0.406	1.081	0.734	-0.236	1.667
Arctic Warbler	Phylloscopus borealis	30	- 0.726	1 107	- 0.262	-4.765	-8.706	-0.646
Wrentit Bluethroat	Chamaea fasciata Luscinia svecica	170 7	-0.726	-1.197	-0.263	-0.646 4.807	1.29 4.569	0.025 16.395
Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe	4	_	_	_	4.807 1.969	-4.569 -7.931	4.199
Eastern Bluebird	Sialia sialis	2,559	1.526	1.319	1.727	1.421	1.134	1.717
Western Bluebird	Sialia mexicana	473	0.846	0.087	1.479	1.074	0.21	1.882
Mountain Bluebird	Sialia rirexiculia Sialia currucoides	870	-0.419	-0.905	0.083	-0.541	-1.14	0.045
Townsend's Solitaire	Myadestes townsendi	562	0.573	0.013	1.072	1.076	0.28	1.843
Veery	Catharus fuscescens	1,477	-1.157	-1.426	-0.857	-0.872	-1.307	-0.345
Gray-cheeked Thrush	Catharus minimus	120	_	_	_	-0.529	-11.191	4.179
Bicknell's Thrush	Catharus bicknelli	21	_	_	_	-3.678	-5.569	-2.524
Swainson's Thrush	Catharus ustulatus	1,488	-0.692	-1.123	-0.305	0.078	-0.454	0.548
Hermit Thrush	Catharus guttatus	1,790	0.34	-0.283	0.879	0.345	-0.598	1.2
Wood Thrush	Hylocichla mustelina	2,144	-1.894	-2.051	-1.737	-1.949	-2.16	-1.732
American Robin	Turdus migratorius	4,393	0.12	0.028	0.21	0.185	0.022	0.348
Varied Thrush	lxoreus naevius	440	-2.381	-3.097	-1.689	-1.145	-2.018	-0.335
Gray Catbird	Dumetella carolinensis	2,942	-0.011	-0.113	0.086	0.288	0.142	0.434
Curve-billed Thrasher	Toxostoma curvirostre	226	-1.116	-2.145	-0.199	-0.32	-1.248	0.881
Brown Thrasher	Toxostoma rufum	2,802	-1.042	-1.164	-0.93	-0.89	-1.058	-0.724
Long-billed Thrasher	Toxostoma longirostre	42	6.245	4.889	7.362	6.415	5.098	7.843
Bendire's Thrasher	Toxostoma bendirei	72	-4.019	-5.687	-2.258	-3.068	-5.157	-0.082
California Thrasher	Toxostoma redivivum	103	-2.02	-2.052	-1.416	-1.903	-1.928	-1.149
Le Conte's Thrasher	Toxostoma lecontei	54	-2.622	-4.057	-0.721	-2.661	-5.523	-0.393
Crissal Thrasher	Toxostoma crissale	81	-0.503	-1.233	0.336	0.172	-0.651	1.09
Sage Thrasher Northern Mockingbird	Oreoscoptes montanus Mimus polyglottos	461 2,717	-1.213 -0.465	1.96 0.638	-0.463 -0.306	-1.426 -0.244	-2.241 -0.426	-0.546 -0.065
European Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	4,223	-0.403 -1.433	-0.038 -1.59	-0.300 -1.295	-0.244 -1.231	-0.420 -1.422	-0.063 -1.057
Eastern Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla tschutschensis	13	-1.433	-1.59	-1.293	-4.178	-7.853	-3.359
American Pipit	Anthus rubescens	34	_	_	_	1.983	-3.829	7.444
Sprague's Pipit	Anthus spragueii	263	-3.064	-4.261	-1.968	-1.764	-3.461	-0.108
Bohemian Waxwing	Bombycilla garrulus	117	_	_	_	-4.006	-6.868	-0.942
Cedar Waxwing	Bombycilla cedrorum	2,803	0.281	-0.186	0.654	0.197	-0.361	0.691
Phainopepla	Phainopepla nitens	196	0.422	-0.976	1.771	1.134	-0.721	3.035
Olive Warbler	Peucedramus taeniatus	14	_	_	_	6.198	6.198	6.2
Lapland Longspur	Calcarius lapponicus	19	_	-	-	0.423	-2.52	4.189
Chestnut-collared Longspur	Calcarius ornatus	231	-4.176	-5.089	-3.293	-4.02	-5.242	-2.75
McCown's Longspur	Rhynchophanes mccownii	126	-4.64	-7.157	-2.387	-3.813	-6.953	-1.131
Ovenbird	Seiurus aurocapilla	2,030	-0.072	-0.323	0.171	-0.292	-0.672	0.058
Worm-eating Warbler	Helmitheros vermivorum	589	0.423	-0.01	1.067	1.209	0.569	2.071
Louisiana Waterthrush	Parkesia motacilla	944	0.614	0.25	0.967	1.081	0.643	1.564
Northern Waterthrush	Parkesia noveboracensis	1,208	1.021	0.423	1.555	0.996	0.02	1.861
Golden-winged Warbler	Vermivora chrysoptera	433	-2.45	-3.166	-1.767	-1.523	-2.763	-0.293
Blue-winged Warbler	Vermivora cyanoptera	703	-0.929	-1.468	-0.235	-0.782	-1.647	0.395
Black-and-white Warbler	Mniotilta varia	1,806	-0.858	-1.417	-0.414	-0.976	-1.667	-0.364
Prothonotary Warbler Swainson's Warbler	Protonotaria citrea	719	-0.978	-1.428	-0.576	-0.634	-1.226	-0.094
Tennessee Warbler	Limnothlypis swainsonii Oreothlypis peregrina	280 721	1.532 0.932	0.454 2.846	2.272 0.64	2.411 0.571	1.467 -3.051	3.452 3.871
Orange-crowned Warbler	Oreothlypis peregrina Oreothlypis celata	929	-0.932 -0.642	-2.846 -1.25	-0.034	-0.205	-3.051 -1.269	0.717
Lucy's Warbler	Oreothlypis luciae	65	1.073	-0.021	-0.034 2.171	-0.203 1.29	0.022	2.648
Nashville Warbler	Oreothlypis ruficapilla	1,192	0.002	-0.623	0.609	-0.292	-1.055	0.54
Virginia's Warbler	Oreothlypis virginiae	1,192	-2.598	-0.023 -5.007	-1.435	-0.292 -1.654	-2.533	-0.876
Connecticut Warbler	Oporornis agilis	245	-1.804	-2.893	-1.324	-1.297	-2.545	-0.715
MacGillivray's Warbler	Geothlypis tolmiei	665	-0.896	-1.303	-0.482	-0.881	-1.473	-0.349
Mourning Warbler	Geothlypis philadelphia	935	-1.092	-1.875	-0.434	-0.94	-1.924	-0.041
Kentucky Warbler	Geothlypis formosa	1,033	-0.933	-1.254	-0.572	-0.287	-0.752	0.244
Common Yellowthroat	Geothlypis trichas	3,924	-0.966	-1.149	-0.818	-0.822	-0.999	-0.652
Hooded Warbler	Setophaga citrina	971	1.404	1.011	1.827	1.729	1.197	2.329

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American Redstart	Setophaga ruticilla	2,113	-0.303	-0.679	0.042	-0.176	-0.747	0.397
Kirtland's Warbler	Setophaga kirtlandii	5	_	-	-	9.273	5.376	22.406
Cape May Warbler	Setophaga tigrina	497	-1.097	-3.074	0.72	1.16	-1.465	3.661
Cerulean Warbler	Setophaga cerulea	412	-2.716	-3.333	-2.009	-2.521	-3.327	-1.591
Northern Parula	Setophaga americana	1,749	1.179	0.886	1.46	2.06	1.706	2.422
Magnolia Warbler	Setophaga magnolia	973	0.807	0.312	1.358	1.08	0.358	1.895
Bay-breasted Warbler	Setophaga castanea	437	-0.332	-1.881	1.107	1.465	-1.285	4.042
Blackburnian Warbler	Setophaga fusca	813	0.306	-0.217	0.751	0.55	-0.155	1.074
Yellow Warbler	Setophaga petechia	3,594	-0.581	-0.791	-0.387	-0.02	-0.385	0.357
Chestnut-sided Warbler	Setophaga pensylvanica	1,226	-1.053	-1.698	-0.551	-0.622	-1.13	-0.144
Blackpoll Warbler	Setophaga striata	354	-4.535	-8.209	-1.716	-3.502	-6.252	-1.488
Black-throated Blue Warbler	Setophaga caerulescens	706	1.754	1.176	2.392	2.139	1.267	3.175
Palm Warbler Pine Warbler	Setophaga palmarum	265 1,412	-0.251 0.959	-2.654 0.641	2.042 1.27	4.472 0.483	1.445 0.086	8.43 0.872
(Myrtle Warbler) Yellow-rumped Warbler	Setophaga pinus Setophaga coronata coronata	1,911	-0.256	-0.755	0.136	0.463	-0.748	0.695
Yellow-throated Warbler	Setophaga dominica	838	1.022	0.594	1.407	1.635	1.108	2.166
Prairie Warbler	Setophaga discolor	1,113	-1.778	-2.064	-1.484	-0.961	-1.373	-0.522
Grace's Warbler	Setophaga graciae	71	-2.618	-5.063	-1.113	-1.737	-3.791	-0.133
Black-throated Gray Warbler	Setophaga nigrescens	396	-1.124	-1.953	-0.487	-1.32	-2.739	-0.412
Townsend's Warbler	Setophaga townsendi	351	-0.6	-1.108	-0.079	1.076	0.24	2.248
Hermit Warbler	Setophaga occidentalis	163	-0.09	-0.678	0.613	-0.346	-1.076	0.47
Golden-cheeked Warbler	Setophaga chrysoparia	10	_	-	_	3.299	3.299	3.3
Black-throated Green Warbler	Setophaga virens	1,054	0.295	-0.467	0.823	0.583	0.003	1.224
Canada Warbler	Cardellina canadensis	773	-2.192	-2.826	-1.592	-2.064	-2.963	-1.184
Wilson's Warbler	Cardellina pusilla	1,166	-1.701	-2.313	-1.158	-0.328	-1.186	0.61
Red-faced Warbler	Cardellina rubrifrons	16	_	-	-	-1.07	-1.867	-0.171
Painted Redstart	Myioborus pictus	12	_	-	-	0.044	-1.638	2.552
Yellow-breasted Chat	Icteria virens	2,016	-0.625	-0.806	-0.447	-0.285	-0.539	-0.024
Olive Sparrow	Arremonops rufivirgatus	35	3.291	1.681	4.916	3.371	1.07	6.1
Green-tailed Towhee	Pipilo chlorurus	449	-0.353	-0.805	0.127	0.075	-0.477	0.673
Spotted Towhee	Pipilo maculatus	1,007	-0.134	-0.608	0.232 -1.212	-0.132 -0.879	-0.59	0.32 -0.708
Eastern Towhee	Pipilo erythrophthalmus Aimophila ruficeps	2,062	-1.341 -0.941	-1.471 -1.888	0.049	-0.679 -1.131	-1.055 -2.492	0.142
Rufous-crowned Sparrow Canyon Towhee	Melozone fusca	190 181	-0.941 -1.7	-3.011	-0.784	-1.131 -1.201	-2.492 $-2.256$	0.142
California Towhee	Melozone crissalis	154	-0.308	-0.706	0.13	-0.251	-2.230 -0.789	0.363
Abert's Towhee	Melozone aberti	36	1.55	-0.373	3.525	1.014	-1.421	3.419
Rufous-winged Sparrow	Peucaea carpalis	9	-	-	-	10.181	10.179	10.221
Botteri's Sparrow	Peucaea botterii	11	_	_	_	5.281	1.801	5.298
Cassin's Sparrow	Peucaea cassinii	348	-0.515	-1.678	0.569	-1.209	-2.629	0.346
Bachman's Sparrow	Peucaea aestivalis	249	-3.134	-3.864	-2.516	-2.748	-3.968	-1.731
American Tree Sparrow	Spizelloides arborea	84	_	-	-	-1.783	-5.07	1.746
Chipping Sparrow	Spizella passerina	3,903	-0.558	-0.834	-0.333	-0.352	-0.818	0.1
Clay-colored Sparrow	Spizella pallida	901	-1.091	-1.424	-0.76	-0.774	-1.185	-0.368
Brewer's Sparrow	Spizella breweri	689	-0.995	-1.815	-0.239	-1	-2.07	0.029
Field Sparrow	Spizella pusilla	2,210	-2.354	-2.513	-2.197	-2.12	-2.359	-1.864
Black-chinned Sparrow	Spizella atrogularis	86	-2.028	-3.44	-0.468	-2.122	-4.027	-0.025
Vesper Sparrow	Pooecetes gramineus	2,312	-0.861	-1.127	-0.607	-0.501	-0.846	-0.165
Lark Sparrow	Chondestes grammacus	1,650	-0.745	-1.143	-0.359	0.027	-0.397	0.466
Black-throated Sparrow	Amphispiza bilineata	442	-0.961	-1.722	-0.236	-1.313	-2.486	-0.273
Lark Bunting	Calamospiza melanocorys	556	-2.698	-4.623	-1.265	-2.453	-4.401	-0.569
Savannah Sparrow Grasshopper Sparrow	Passerculus sandwichensis Ammodramus savannarum	2,465 2,191	−1.358 −2.46	-1.625 -2.97	-1.09 -2.035	−1.145 −1.729	-1.61 -2.342	-0.644 -1.114
Baird's Sparrow	Ammodramus bairdii	2,191	-2.46 -2.055	-2.97 -3.601	-2.035 -0.623	-1.729 -2.137	-2.342 -4.193	-0.077
Henslow's Sparrow	Ammodramus henslowii	358	-2.033 -1.425	-3.001 -2.387	-0.023 $-0.434$	-2.137 2.77	1.071	4.639
Le Conte's Sparrow	Ammodramus leconteii	381	-2.234	-2.367 -3.763	-0.734	-2.468	-4.21	-0.65
Nelson's Sparrow	Ammodramus nelsoni	210	1.482	0.553	2.451	2.304	1.502	3.716
Saltmarsh Sparrow	Ammodramus caudacutus	7	-	-	_	0.661	-2.006	7.974
Seaside Sparrow	Ammodramus maritimus	26	-0.326	-3.909	3.516	2.816	-2.061	8.905
Fox Sparrow	Passerella iliaca	613	-1.228	-2.856	-0.182	1.386	0.089	2.531
Song Sparrow	Melospiza melodia	3,413	-0.721	-0.853	-0.597	-0.966	-1.108	-0.823
Lincoln's Sparrow	Melospiza lincolnii	1,049	-0.087	-1.131	0.79	-0.02	-1.031	1.021

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Common name	Scientific name	N	Trend (% change yr <sup>-1</sup> )	2.5%	97.5%	Trend (% change yr <sup>-1</sup> )	2.5%	97.5%	
Swamp Sparrow	Melospiza georgiana	1,276	1.067	0.131	1.755	1.292	0.206	2.282	
White-throated Sparrow	Zonotrichia albicollis	1,131	-0.849	-1.339	-0.416	-1.127	-1.752	-0.546	
White-crowned Sparrow	Zonotrichia leucophrys	664	-0.286	-1.24	0.249	-0.692	-1.889	0.505	
Golden-crowned Sparrow	Zonotrichia atricapilla	67	_	-	_	-1.289	-2.683	-0.001	
(Slate-colored Junco) Dark-eyed	Junco hyemalis hyemalis	1,810	-1.346	-1.725	-0.968	-0.701	-1.489	-0.019	
Junco Yellow-eyed Junco	Junco phaeonotus	6	_	_	_	-4.899	-4.899	-4.899	
Hepatic Tanager	Piranga flava	48	3.044	2.192	3.765	3.836	2.759	4.365	
Summer Tanager	Piranga rubra	1,262	0.241	0.066	0.422	0.556	0.314	0.808	
Scarlet Tanager	Piranga olivacea	1,763	-0.197	-0.383	-0.011	-0.063	-0.321	0.204	
Western Tanager	Piranga ludoviciana	992	1.192	0.907	1.466	1.282	0.792	1.79	
Northern Cardinal	Cardinalis cardinalis	2,449	0.326	0.245	0.407	0.393	0.281	0.506	
Pyrrhuloxia	Cardinalis sinuatus	137	-1.538	-2.395	-0.696	-1.545	-2.719	-0.477	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	Pheucticus Iudovicianus	1,749	-0.82	-1.082	-0.564	-0.658	-1.038	-0.292	
Black-headed Grosbeak	Pheucticus melanocephalus	983	0.549	0.102	0.867	0.854	0.482	1.22	
Blue Grosbeak	Passerina caerulea	1,729	0.828	0.644	1.018	1.105	0.847	1.366	
Lazuli Bunting	Passerina amoena	768	0.332	-0.15	0.735	0.845	0.212	1.35	
Indigo Bunting	Passerina cyanea	2,561	-0.724	-0.81	-0.64	-0.628	-0.745	-0.51	
Varied Bunting	Passerina versicolor	33	_	_	_	1.049	1.044	1.049	
Painted Bunting	Passerina ciris	493	-0.09	-0.582	0.383	0.811	0.216	1.439	
Dickcissel	Spiza americana	1,297	-0.328	-0.759	0.057	-0.078	-0.6	0.429	
Bobolink	Dolichonyx oryzivorus	1,620	-2.02	-2.358	-1.664	-0.872	-1.363	-0.268	
Red-winged Blackbird	Agelaius phoéniceus	4,446	-0.952	-1.08	-0.823	-0.645	-0.832	-0.458	
Tricolored Blackbird	Agelaius tricolor	79	1.803	-1.686	2.909	3.299	-1.131	4.352	
Eastern Meadowlark	Sturnella magna	2,541	-3.337	-3.65	-3.113	-3.303	-3.551	-3.029	
Western Meadowlark	Sturnella neglecta	2,095	-1.304	-1.486	-1.127	-1.065	-1.286	-0.837	
Yellow-headed Blackbird	Xanthocephalus xanthocephalu	1,058	-0.003	-0.789	0.766	0.785	-0.547	2.102	
Rusty Blackbird	Euphagus carolinus	318	-3.488	-5.449	-1.955	-0.425	-2.67	2.115	
Brewer's Blackbird	Euphagus cyanocephalus	1,682	-2.111	-2.426	-1.852	-1.593	-1.906	-1.308	
Common Grackle	Quiscalus quiscula	3,450	-1.747	-1.885	-1.613	-1.548	-1.74	-1.349	
Boat-tailed Grackle	Quiscalus major	187	-0.99	-1.804	0.154	-0.464	-1.518	0.776	
Great-tailed Grackle	Quiscalus mexicanus	528	2.166	0.881	3.433	3.312	1.383	5.009	
Bronzed Cowbird	Molothrus aeneus	123	-0.245	-1.919	1.404	-0.639	-3.356	1.957	
Brown-headed Cowbird	Molothrus ater	4,427	-0.693	-0.833	-0.552	-0.451	-0.678	-0.223	
Orchard Oriole	Icterus spurius	2,066	-0.807	-1.048	-0.582	0.21	-0.097	0.527	
Hooded Oriole	Icterus cucullatus	141	0.875	-0.199	1.619	2.071	0.912	2.864	
Bullock's Oriole	Icterus bullockii	1,089	-0.568	-0.896	-0.268	-0.189	-0.554	0.213	
Spot-breasted Oriole	Icterus pectoralis	5	_	-	-	-7.558	-7.558	-7.558	
Altamira Oriole	Icterus gularis	6	_	-	-	-3.452	-27.657	5.046	
Audubon's Oriole	Icterus graduacauda	20	_	-	_	3.99	3.99	3.99	
Baltimore Oriole	Icterus galbula	2,249	-1.361	-1.653	-1.115	-0.935	-1.21	-0.662	
Scott's Oriole	lcterus parisorum	227	-0.806	-1.606	-0.062	-0.796	-1.815	0.27	
Pine Grosbeak	Pinicola enucleator	344	-0.992	-3.088	1.303	0.92	-1.759	4.451	
House Finch	Haemorhous mexicanus	3,088	0.069	-0.414	0.478	-0.641	-1.049	-0.232	
Purple Finch	Haemorhous purpureus	1,471	-1.249	-1.742	-0.776	-0.735	-1.438	0.198	
Cassin's Finch	Haemorhous cassinii	468	-2.257	-3.002	-1.466	-2.007	-2.875	-1.156	
Red Crossbill	Loxia curvirostra	854	-0.081	-1.659	1.272	1.054	-1.173	4.219	
White-winged Crossbill	Loxia leucoptera	526	2.807	-0.842	6.04	2.981	-4.46	10.919	
Common Redpoll	Acanthis flammea	144	_	-	-	-2.251	-4.516	-0.091	
Hoary Redpoll	Acanthis hornemanni	6	_	-	-	33.959	5.51	33.977	
Pine Siskin	Spinus pinus	1,546	-3.326	-4.628	-2.257	-2.281	-3.92	-0.446	
Lesser Goldfinch	Spinus psaltria	583	0.984	0.304	1.648	1.807	0.891	2.833	
Lawrence's Goldfinch	Spinus lawrencei	89	-0.591	-2.294	1.399	0.103	-2.247	3.053	
American Goldfinch	Spinus tristis	3,426	-0.136	-0.305	0.028	0.044	-0.171	0.259	
Evening Grosbeak	Coccothraustes vespertinus	1,037	-5.034	-6.387	-3.87	-5.893	-7.381	-4.353	
House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	3,817	-3.598	-3.757	-3.441	-3.317	-3.53	-3.102	
Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Passer montanus	41	6.116	4.509	7.234	6.165	4.634	7.542	