

THE BIRD OBSERVER SUMMARY FOR DECEMBER, 1975

December was mild, quite wet and very snowy. The temperature averaged 34.3°, 1.3° above normal, but still 3.5° under the very warm December of 1974. The mercury reached 66° on the 15th, breaking the old mark of 63° set in 1918 for that date. The low temperature was 4° on December 24th. Precipitation totaled 4.80 inches, the most in 24 hours was 1.50 inches on the 25-26th. Snowfall totalled 19.3 inches, over double the 7.9 inch 40-year average. A major storm on the 20-22nd brought 18.2 inches, a new record storm total for December.

A total of 201 species plus 4 additional races (Common Teal, Bullock's Oriole, Ipswich Sparrow, Oregon Junco) were observed during the month. Most of the records are compiled from the Seventy-sixth Christmas Bird Count (CBC). Highlights from the counts include Western Sandpiper, Ovenbird, Grasshopper Sparrow and 9 White-crowned Sparrows.

Other highlights included Little Blue Heron, Yellow-crowned Night Heron, Golden Eagle, Gyrfalcon and Peregrine Falcon. There were 19 species of shorebirds reported, almost unbelievable for December; Semipalmated Plover, Golden Plover, Western Sandpiper, and Marbled Godwit were among the best. Note especially the high count of Oldsquaw at Nantucket.

The Lesser Blacked-backed Gull and the Gyrfalcon were back on Nauset Beach. A Myiarchus flycatcher was observed on the Taunton Christmas Count, and there were reports of Boreal Chickadee from 11 localities. The mild weather during the first half of December was probably responsible for the number of lingering migrants, notably Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Worm-eating Warbler, Northern Parula, Cape May Warbler, Ovenbird and numbers of Northern Oriole.

The spotlight of the month is awarded to the immature Ivory Gull, which took up residence at Salisbury, Massachusetts and has delighted photographers and hundreds of birders since its discovery on December 22 by Rev. and Mrs. C. Leon Strickland and Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Strickland of Rochester, New Hampshire and Union Springs, New York. This is the first well-documented Ivory Gull since 1959. It breeds in northern Greenland, Spitzbergen and other high arctic islands, and seldom winters below the limit of the pack-ice. It was the nicest Christmas present for everyone.

R.H.S.

Common Loon:

11,21	Framingham, Plymouth	10,14	M. Rhodes, CBC
28	Nantucket	273	R. Veit, S. Perkins

Red-throated Loon:

21,27	Orleans, Scituate	15,12	CBC
28	Boston, Nantucket	15,129	CBC

Red-necked Grebe:

21,23	Plymouth, Rockport	4,5	CBC, R. Veit#
28	Boston, Nantucket	4,2	CBC

Horned Grebe:

2,21	Dorchester, Chatham	12,25	J. Murphy, CBC
27,28	Salisbury, Boston	15,29	BBC(G. Soucy), CBC

Pied-billed Grebe:

21	Plymouth, Brewster	14,18	CBC,CBC(N. Hill)
21	Eastham	10	CBC

Sooty Shearwater:

21	Sandwich	1	R. Pease
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Gannet:

13,21	Nantucket, Orleans	400+,18	R. Veit, CBC
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Great Cormorant:

13,14	Squantum, Manchester	30,36	BBC(E. Taylor), BBC(G. Hotz)
21,28	Orleans, Boston	30,98	CBC

Double-crested Cormorant:

16,22	Rockport	1 adult	R. Veit, S. Perkins
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Great Blue Heron:

21,27	Cape Cod, Marshfield	74,36	CBC
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Little Blue Heron:

8	Falmouth	1 imm.	A. Clarke
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Snowy Egret:

1-12, 14-31	Falmouth, Eastham	1,1	A. Clarke, W. Bailey#
28	Nantucket	1	CBC

<b>Black-crowned Night Heron:</b>			
19,20	Nahant, Quincy	24,12	D. Bangs, CBC
21	Eastham	12	CBC
<b>Yellow-crowned Night Heron:</b>			
19	Eastham (F.H.)	1	W. Bailey
<b>American Bittern:</b>			
2,20	P.I., Westport	2,1	D. Alexander, CBC
21	Chatham, Nauset	1,2	CBC
<b>Canada Goose:</b>			
20,21	Worcester, Cape Cod	324,1555	CBC
21,27	Plymouth, Duxbury	530,738	CBC
27	Newburyport	500	BBC(G. Soucy)
<b>Brant:</b>			
13	Squantum	40	BBC(E. Taylor)
21	Cape Cod, Plymouth	1993,204	CBC
27,28	Duxbury, Boston	420,16	CBC
<b>Snow Goose:</b>			
7,19	Brookfield, Nauset	1,1	H. Merriman, W. Bailey
29-31	Chatham	1	B. Nikula#
<b>Mallard:</b>			
21	Orleans	200	CBC
<b>Black Duck:</b>			
13,21	Newburyport, Plymouth	5000+,663	BBC(P. Alden), CBC
21,28	Cape Cod, Boston	1847,1688	CBC
<b>Gadwall:</b>			
14,18,13	P.I., Concord, Lakeville	30+,120,11	J. Berry, J. Hines, R. Emery#
<b>Pintail:</b>			
20,21,28	Milton, Plymouth, Boston	8,11,4	CBC
<b>Green-winged Teal:</b>			
2,18	P.I.(Common type), Concord	2,45	D. Alexander#, J. Hines
21,28	Cape Cod, Nantucket	30,250+	CBC
<b>Blue-winged Teal:</b>			
18,27	Buzzard's Bay, Marshfield	1,8	B. Sorrie#, CBC
27,28	Nantucket	3	CBC(H. Connors#)
<b>European Wigeon:</b>			
thr.,20	Nantucket, Cohasset	4,1	v.o., CBC
<b>American Wigeon:</b>			
21,28	Plymouth, Orleans, Boston	50,33,35	CBC
<b>Northern Shoveler:</b>			
6,18	P.I., Concord (GMNWR)	15,1	H. Merriman, J. Hines
21	Plymouth, Brewster, Orleans	1,7,1	W. Petersen, CBC
<b>Wood Duck:</b>			
4,14	Falmouth, Lincoln	1,1	A. Clarke, R. Forster
21	Plymouth, Winchester	2,2	CBC, G. Gove, R. Clayton
28	Boston, Concord	2,1	CBC
<b>Redhead:</b>			
3,20	Braintree, Falmouth,	21,77	J. Hines, CBC
28	Nantucket	638	CBC
<b>Ring-necked Duck:</b>			
11,27	Lakeville, Chatham	1000+,70	R. Maxim, CBC
<b>Canvasback:</b>			
7,13	Acoaxet, Assonet	225,2500	K. Hamilton, N. Hill
20,21	Cambridge (F.P.), Taunton	96+,1507	R. Stymeist, CBC
<b>Greater Scaup:</b>			
13,20	Wollaston, Hingham	800+,1350	BBC(E. Taylor), CBC
27,28	Newburyport, Boston	200,2276	BBC(G. Soucy), CBC
<b>Lesser Scaup:</b>			
2,21	P.I., Cape Cod	2,15	D. Alexander, CBC
28	Nantucket	465	CBC
<b>Common Goldeneye:</b>			
21,23	Plymouth, Newburyport	193,1500+	CBC, R Veit#
28	Boston	608	CBC
<b>Barrow's Goldeneye:</b>			
6,21	Rockport, Chatham	1,2	BBC(G. Nove), CBC
27,28	Nantucket	1	R. Veit, H. Connors
<b>Bufflehead:</b>			
21,28	Cape Cod, Boston	1151,536	CBC
<b>Oldsquaw:</b>			
13,28	Nantucket	73500,27000	R. Veit, CBC

Harlequin Duck:			
7,13	Chatham, Tuckernuck Is.	1,3	B. Nikula, R. Veit
28	Nantucket	2	CBC(S. Perkins)
Common Eider:			
21	Chatham, Plymouth	5600,3058	CBC
27	Marshfield	4706	CBC
King Eider:			
13	Rockport, Chatham	1,1	M. Gardler, W. Bailey
21	Chatham, Orleans Beach	2,2	CBC
White-winged Scoter:			
13,27	Squantum, Duxbury	300+,234	BBC(E. Taylor), CBC
26	Nantucket Sound	2500	R. Veit
Surf Scoter:			
21,28	Plymouth, Boston	46,3	CBC
Black Scoter:			
21,26	Orleans, Nantucket	80,350+	CBC, R. Veit
Ruddy Duck:			
7,20	Waltham, Cambridge	40,48	R. Stymeist, T. Lawrence
21	Orleans, Orleans Beach	157,100	CBC(J. Baird), (C. Goodrich)
Hooded Merganser:			
18,21	Waltham, Orleans	19,12	J. Hines, CBC
13,28	Lakeville, Boston	18,14	R. Emery, CBC
Common Merganser:			
14,21	Lincoln, Brewster	65,90	R. Forster, CBC
21	Plymouth	408	CBC
Red-breasted Merganser:			
13,21	Chatham, Tuckernuck Is.	2900,3500+	H. Rich, R. Veit
Goshawk:			
7-27	10 localities	11 individuals	v.o.
Sharp-shinned Hawk:			
21,28	Orleans, Nantucket	3,6	CBC
28	Concord	3	CBC
Cooper's Hawk:			
13,20	E. Orleans, Eastham	1,1	C. Goodrich, B. Nikula
20,28	Worcester, Waltham	1,1	CBC
28	Nantucket	1	CBC(S. Perkins)
Red-tailed Hawk:			
28	Boston, Concord	<u>24,34</u>	CBC
Red-shouldered Hawk:			
thr. 18	Bridgewater, Assonet	1,1	J. Flaherty, J. Rivard
27,31	Rowley, E. Orleans	1 ad., 1 ad.	C. Goodrich
Rough-legged Hawk:			
13,28	Nantucket, Bridgewater	4-5,4	R. Veit, J. Flaherty
31	Marshfield	6	W. Petersen
<u>Golden Eagle:</u>			
5,7	Rowley, Dartmouth	1 imm., 1	D. Alexander, R. Forster & K. Hamilton
Bald Eagle:			
Dec., 20	Orleans, Eastham	1 ad., 1 ad.	fide V. Laux, C. Goodrich
22	Lakeville area	6 dates, 1 imm.	F. Correia
Marsh Hawk:			
13,21	P.I., Concord	4,4	BBC(P. Alden), CBC
<u>Gyr Falcon:</u>			
20,21	Eastham(F.H.)-Orleans	1	C. Goodrich, W. Bailey, R. Emery
<u>Peregrine Falcon:</u>			
20,21	Eastham(F.H.), Orleans	1,1	C. Goodrich#, CBC
Merlin:			
21,27	Orleans, Marshfield	1,1	CBC
28	Nantucket	3	CBC
American Kestrel:			
21,28	Chatham, Concord	10,15	CBC
28	Boston	10	CBC
Ruffed Grouse:			
21	Plymouth	8	CBC
Bobwhite:			
21	Plymouth, Taunton	47,137	CBC
Ring-necked Pheasant:			
28	Boston	<u>206</u>	CBC

<u>Clapper Rail:</u>				
20,21	N. Falmouth, Eastham	1,1		CBC(R. Stymeist#), CBC, P. Bailey
28	Brewster	1		B. Holdridge
<u>Virginia Rail:</u>				
21,27	Chatham, Marshfield	3,8		CBC
28	Concord	4		CBC
<u>Common Gallinule:</u>				
17,19	P.I., Sandwich	1 imm.,1		R. Veit, R. Pease
27,28	Marshfield, Nantucket	5,4		CBC, CBC(E. Andrews)
<u>American Coot:</u>				
11,14	Fall River, Eastham	750,450		T. Athearn, B. Nikula
21	Eastham	138		CBC(P. Bailey, J. Baird)
<u>Semipalmated Plover:</u>				
23	Manomet	1		B. Sorrie#
<u>Killdeer:</u>				
21	Taunton	16		CBC
<u>Golden Plover:</u>				
14	Lincoln (Cambridge Res.)	1		R. Forster
<u>Black-bellied Plover:</u>				
7,21	Squantum, Orleans	20,20		BBC(G. Wilson), CBC
<u>Ruddy Turnstone:</u>				
20,27	Quincy, N. Scituate	6,3		CBC
<u>American Woodcock:</u>				
13	E. Braintree, Nantucket	1,1		M. Rhodes, R. Veit
21	Chatham, Manomet	2,1		CBC
28	Nantucket	1		CBC(S. Perkins)
<u>Common Snipe:</u>				
20,21	Buzzard'd Bay, Chatham	23,9		CBC
<u>Spotted Sandpiper:</u>				
19-31	Chatham	1		R. Clem#
<u>Greater Yellowlegs:</u>				
21	Chatham, Nauset, Eastham	1,1,1		CBC
<u>Lesser Yellowlegs:</u>				
14	Rowley	1(broken wing)		J. Berry
<u>Red Knot:</u>				
21,28	Cape Cod, Boston	137,7		CBC
<u>Purple Sandpiper:</u>				
20,28	Cohasset, Winthrop	50,65		CBC
<u>Dunlin:</u>				
7,20	Duxbury, Cohasset	425,500		SSBC(B. Smyth), CBC
21,27	Orleans, Marshfield	800,426		CBC
<u>Dowitcher(species ?):</u>				
20	W. Falmouth	1		R. Stymeist, R. Veit
<u>Semipalmated Sandpiper:(no details)</u>				
19	Nauset	2		W. Bailey
<u>Western Sandpiper:</u>				
21	Orleans	1		CBC(M. Gardler)
<u>Marbled Godwit:</u>				
1-17	Nauset	1		v.o.
<u>Sanderling:</u>				
21,28	Orleans, Boston	300,232		CBC
<u>Red Phalarope:</u>				
21	Eastham	3		CBC(W. Bailey, R. Emery)
<u>Jaeger(species ?):</u>				
13-15	Tuckernuck Is.	1 dark imm.		R. Veit
<u>Glaucous Gull:</u>				
1-6,11-27	Natick, Mamomet	1,1		E. Taylor#, B. Sorrie#
13,19	Squantum, Gloucester	1,4		E. Morrier, R. Heil
21,24	Orleans, P.I.	1,1		CBC, W. Petersen
27,28	Marshfield, G. Boston	3,1		CBC
<u>Iceland Gull:</u>				
13,19	Nantucket, Gloucester	5,12		R. Veit, R. Heil
29	Nantucket	9		S. Perkins#
<u>Great Black-backed Gull:</u>				
21	Chatham	3000+		CBC(H. Rich)
<u>Lesser Black-backed Gull:</u>				
7	Nauset, Eastham	1		V. Laux, C. Goodrich, B. Nikula

<u>Herring Gull:</u>			
21	Plymouth, Chatham	2645,6000	CBC
27	Marshfield	4749	CBC
<u>Ring-billed Gull:</u>			
13	Newburyport, Chatham	100,170	CBC
21	Plymouth	183	CBC
<u>Black-headed Gull:</u>			
4,20	Manomet, Dartmouth	1,3	B. Harrington, CBC
21,28	Cape Cod, Boston	3,3	CBC
<u>Laughing Gull:</u>			
6,21	Hull, Chatham	2,1	E. Taylor, CBC
28	Boston	2	CBC(D. Brown#)
<u>Bonaparte's Gull:</u>			
13,21	Newburyport, Cape Cod	350,144	BBC(P. Alden), CBC
28	Boston	331	CBC
<u>Little Gull:</u>			
19,21	Nauset, Orleans	1 ad., 1 ad.	J. Baird, R. Emery
28	Boston	1	CBC(D. Brown)
<u>Ivory Gull:</u>			
22 on	Salisbury	1 imm.	Rev. and Mrs. C. Leon Strickland, Mr. and Mrs. Carl L. Strickland & v.o.
<u>Black-legged Kittiwake:</u>			
28	Nantucket	1350+	CBC(S. Perkins)
<u>Razorbill:</u>			
13	Nantucket	6	R. Veit
21	Orleans, Manomet	12,1	CBC(C. Goodrich), CBC
23	Rockport	2-3	R. Veit# & v.o.
<u>Common Murre:</u>			
22	Nantucket	1	E. Andrews
<u>Dovekie:</u>			
14,21	Rockport, Eastham, Brewster	3,1,1	G. Soucy, CBC
<u>Black Guillemot:</u>			
6,13	Rockport, Nantucket	1,1	BBC(G. Nove), R. Veit
13,23	Gloucester, Eastham	5,1	R. Forster, B. Nikula
28	Nantucket	1	CBC(R. Veit)
<u>Mourning Dove:</u>			
21,28	Taunton, Concord	471,876	CBC
<u>Barn Owl:</u>			
7	Long Island (Boston)	1	BBC(G. Wilson)
<u>Screech Owl:</u>			
28	Boston, Concord	8,12	CBC
<u>Great Horned Owl:</u>			
thr.	8 localities	12 individuals	v.o.
<u>Snowy Owl:</u>			
2-28	11 localities	17 individuals	v.o.
<u>Barred Owl:</u>			
8-9,28	Boston (downtown), Waltham	1,1	J. Sze, CBC
21	Brookline, Taunton-Middleboro	1,1	A. Agush, CBC
21	Freetown	1	S. Kittler
27,28	Salisbury, Concord	1,2	v.o., CBC
<u>Long-eared Owl:</u>			
20,23	Westport, Bridgewater	2,2	CBC, S. Higginbotham
27	Duxbury	2	CBC
<u>Saw-whet Owl:</u>			
2,13	Groton, P.I.	2,1	D. Lamont#, M. Kasprzyk
28	Nantucket	1-2	CBC H. Connors, S. Zende#
<u>Belted Kingfisher:</u>			
21,27	Cape Cod (7 places), Marshfield	24,7	CBC
28	Concord, Boston	7,4	CBC
<u>Common Flicker:</u>			
21,27	Cape Cod, Marshfield region	63,10	CBC
<u>Pileated Woodpecker:</u>			
thr.	4 localities	5 individuals	v.o.
<u>Red-bellied Woodpecker:</u>			
thr.	Natick	3	W. Biggart
18-25	Marston's Mills	1	T. Preston
<u>Red-headed Woodpecker:</u>			
15	Nantucket	1	fide E. Andrews

<u>Yellow-bellied Sapsucker:</u>			
1-29	S. Wellfleet (WBWS)	1	W. Bailey#
16	Vineyard Haven (M.V.)	1	M. Hancock
20,21	Hingham, Taunton	1,1	CBC
<u>Hairy Woodpecker:</u>			
28	Boston, Concord	35-95	CBC
<u>Downy Woodpecker:</u>			
28	Boston, Concord	136,231	CBC
<u>Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker:</u>			
1	W. Wareham	1	R. Maxim
<u>Myiarchus(species?):</u>			
21	Taunton	1	CBC
(no details submitted)			
<u>Eastern Phoebe:</u>			
20	Onset	1	W. Petersen, G. Flaherty#
<u>Horned Lark:</u>			
2,21	Dorchester, Orleans	25,50	J. Murphy, CBC
<u>Blue Jay:</u>			
21	Cape Cod, Taunton	195,229	CBC
21	Plymouth	177	CBC
28	Boston, Concord	416,1162	CBC
28	Wilmington	338	CBC
<u>Common Crow:</u>			
20,21	Millis, Taunton	481,396	CBC
28	Boston, Concord	647,852	CBC
<u>Fish Crow:</u>			
thr.,11,28	Natick, Hanover, Boston	52,1,5	E. Taylor#, W. Petersen, CBC
<u>Black-capped Chickadee:</u>			
20	Worcester, Millis	458, 487	CBC
21	Plymouth, Cape Cod, Taunton	286,444,409	CBC
27,28	Marshfield, Wilmington	401,972	CBC
28	Boston, Concord	743,1757	CBC
<u>Boreal Chickadee:</u>			
1,2,3on	Athol, Royalston, Jam. Pl(A.A.)	1,3,2	K. Hamilton, K. Hamilton, J. Hines
6,8,14on	Stoneham, Newburyport, Abington	1,1,1	R. Stymeist, D. Ewer, E. Pearson
20	Worcester, Westport	1,1	CBC
21,28	Plymouth, Boston	1,3	CBC
<u>Tufted Titmouse:</u>			
20	Millis, Quincy	136,172	CBC
20,21	Worcester, Plymouth	49, 43	CBC
21	Taunton, Cape Cod	220,19	CBC
27;28	Marshfield; Boston, Concord	122,242,142	CBC
<u>Red-breasted Nuthatch:</u>			
20	Westport, Worcester, Millis	8,14,27	CBC
20,28	Quincy, Boston, Concord	16,7,12	CBC
28	Wilmington	6	CBC
<u>Brown Creeper:</u>			
28	Boston, Concord, Wilmington	29,29,14	CBC
<u>House Wren:</u>			
7,21	Acoaxet, Chatham	1,1	R. Forster, CBC
<u>Winter Wren:</u>			
6,7	Weston, Stoneham; Waltham	1,1;1	L. Robinson#; R. Stymeist#
20	Westport, Worcester, Milton	1,2,1	CBC
21	Plymouth, Cape Cod	3,1	CBC
27;28	Athol, Marshfield; Concord	1,2;4	CBC
<u>Carolina Wren:</u>			
thr.,3	Westport area, Falmouth	8,2	R. O'Hara# & v.o., V. Laux#
20	Cohasset, N. Falmouth	2,5	CBC
27,28	Athol, Lincoln	1,2	CBC
<u>Long-billed Marsh Wren:</u>			
6,21	P.I., Chatham	2,3	H. Merriman, CBC
<u>Mockingbird:</u>			
20	Quincy, Millis, Worcester	50,20,10	CBC
21	Taunton, Cape Cod	18,47	CBC
28	Boston, Wilmington	75,23	CBC
<u>Gray Catbird:</u>			
7,11	Westport, Braintree	4,1	K. Hamilton#, J. Hines
20;21	Millis, Hingham; Cape Cod	1,1;3	CBC
21,28	Plymouth, Nantucket	1,3	CBC

<u>Brown Thrasher:</u>			
7 on	8 localities	singles	v.o.
<u>American Robin:</u>			
21,27	Cape Cod, Marshfield	280,145	CBC
28	Boston, Concord	95,80	CBC
<u>Hermit Thrush:</u>			
7,14	Acoaxet, Bridgewater	1,1	R. Forster, J. Flaherty
20,21	N. Falmouth, Plymouth	9,3	R. Veit#, CBC
28	Concord, Boston	1,3	CBC
<u>Eastern Bluebird:</u>			
4,14	Sandwich, Bellingham	6,6	R. Pease, G. Davis
20,23;21	Plymouth; Cape Cod	1,1;11	CBC, D. Casoni; CBC
<u>Blue-gray Gnatcatcher:</u>			
4	Duxbury	1	H. Kelley (MBO)
<u>Golden-crowned Kinglet:</u>			
21	Plymouth, Chatham	32,29	CBC
<u>Ruby-crowned Kinglet:</u>			
7,20	Dartmouth, Quincy	1,2	R. Forster#, CBC
21	Plymouth, Cape Cod	4,3	CBC
<u>Water Pipit:</u>			
5	Lancaster	3	H. Merriman
<u>Bohemian Waxwing:</u>			
28	Athol	13	R. Coyle#
<u>Cedar Waxwing:</u>			
21;28	Taunton; Concord, Boston	70;41,30	CBC
<u>Northern Shrike:</u>			
17,21,27	Middleboro, Chatham, Scituate	1,1,1	D. Briggs#, CBC
28	Nantucket, Concord	1,1	CBC
<u>Starling:</u>			
28	Boston(Central Artery)	105,000+	CBC
<u>Worm-eating Warbler:</u>			
6	Sandwich	1	B. Nikula, V. Laux# & v.o.
			(very well seen, all field marks noted)
<u>Orange-crowned Warbler:</u>			
3,21	Falmouth, Taunton	1,1	B. Nikula & V. Laux, CBC
<u>Northern Parula:</u>			
12	Orleans	1	V. Laux
<u>Cape May Warbler:</u>			
1-29	S. Wellfleet (WBWS)	2	W. Bailey# & v.o.
<u>Yellow-rumped Warbler:</u>			
21	Cape Cod	845	CBC
<u>Pine Warbler:</u>			
7-23,21	Bridgewater, Chatham	1,1	J. Flaherty, H. Rich
<u>Palm Warbler:</u>			
13,17	Nantucket, S. Peabody	12,7	R. Veit, R. Heil
21	Cape Cod, Plymouth	3,3	CBC
<u>Ovenbird:</u>			
21	Bourne		B. Sorrie, CBC
<u>Common Yellowthroat:</u>			
13,21	Tuckernuck I., Cape Cod	1,2	R. Veit, CBC
<u>Yellow-breasted Chat:</u>			
1	Salem	1	W. Foley
2,13-30	Plymouth, Vineyard Haven (M.V.)	1,1	S. Parsons, fide M. Hancock
20	Chatham	1	H. Rich
<u>Eastern Meadowlark:</u>			
21	Taunton, Cape Cod	45,126	CBC
<u>Redwinged Blackbird:</u>			
21,27	Chatham, Marshfield	28,30	CBC
<u>Northern Oriole:</u>			
thr.	Abington	1 imm.(Bullock's-from Nov.)	Mrs. A. Lynde & v.o.
7	E. Lexington	1	R. Stymeist#
7-27	Lexington	1(picked up dead 12/27)	J. Wanless#
15-31,20	Natick, Chatham	1,1	R. Naticchioni, fide H. Rich
22;27	Belmont, Taunton; Marshfield	1,1;3	W. Bishop, fide R. O'Hara; CBC
<u>Rusty Blackbird:</u>			
15,20	Middleboro, Millis	1,1	D. Briggs, CBC
21-23,21	Essex, Plymouth	1,1	K. Tousey, W. Petersen#
28,31	Concord, S. Peabody	8,1	CBC, R. Heil

Common Grackle:			
21	Cape Cod, Taunton	9,15	CBC
Brown-headed Cowbird:			
16,21	Middleboro, Taunton	30,39	D. Briggs, CBC
28,31	Concord, S. Peabody	20,20	CBC, R. Heil
Cardinal:			
20	Worcester, Quincy, Millis	51,71,43	CBC
21	Plymouth, Taunton	19,94	CBC
28	Boston, Concord, Wilmington	108,195,63	CBC
<u>Black-headed Grosbeak:</u>			
22-28	Littleton	1	J. Baird
Dickcissel:			
13	Danvers, Nantucket	1,2	E. Pyburn, R. Veit
Evening Grosbeak:			
20	Worcester, Quincy, Millis	251,105,108	CBC
21	Taunton, Plymouth, Cape Cod	248,110,177	CBC
28	Boston, Concord	86,524	CBC
Purple Finch:			
21;28	Taunton; Boston, Concord	111;39,88	CBC
House Finch:			
20	Worcester, Millis, Quincy	50,9,80	CBC
21	Taunton, Plymouth	61,38	CBC
28	Boston, Concord	131,10	CBC
Pine Grosbeak:			
14,27,28	Middleboro, Athol, Nantucket	2,4,2	D. Briggs, CBC, CBC
Common Redpoll:			
3,6	Royalston, Manchester	120+,1	K. Hamilton, J. Nove
13	Squantum, P.I., Marshfield	8,4,6	J. Hines#, P. Alden#, M. Wilson
20,28	Worcester, Cambridge	30,56	CBC, T. Leverich#
Pine Siskin:			
20	Quincy, Worcester, Millis	66,47,66	CBC
21;28	Taunton; Boston, Concord	83;185,375	CBC
American Goldfinch:			
20	Quincy, Worcester, Millis	133,142,180	CBC
21	Taunton, Plymouth, Cape Cod	407,85,188	CBC
28	Boston, Concord, Wilmington	209,666,476	CBC
Red Crossbill:			
10;20	W. Yarmouth; Worcester	40-50;1	P. Aiken; CBC
20,21	Quincy, Cape Cod	14,69	CBC
28	Boston, Concord	12,1	CBC
White-winged Crossbill:			
13-14,21	P.I., Taunton	7-8,20	J. Berry# & v.o., CBC
28	Boston, Concord	26,4	CBC
Rufous-sided Towhee:			
7,14	Westport area, Lexington	9,2	K. Hamilton#, T. Lawrence#
20,28	Millis, Concord	1,3	CBC
Savannah Sparrow:			
17;21	S. Peabody; Cape Cod	10;24	R. Heil; CBC
21	Plymouth	12	CBC
<u>Grasshopper Sparrow:</u>			
21	Plymouth	1	Cbc
		(no details)	
Sharp-tailed Sparrow:			
20,21	Dartmouth, Nauset	1,1	CBC
Seaside Sparrow:			
21	Nauset	8	CBC
Vesper Sparrow:			
20	Westport	1	CBC
Dark-eyed Junco:			
6,13	Ipswich(Oregon race)	1	J. Berry
20	Quincy, Millis, Worcester	300,335,445	CBC
21	Taunton, Plymouth	583,405	CBC
28	Boston, Concord, Wilmington	458,997,711	CBC
Tree Sparrow:			
20	Quincy, Millis, Worcester	139,272,163	CBC
28	Boston, Concord, Wilmington	222,674,284	CBC
Chipping Sparrow:			
20,28	Dartmouth, Concord	1,3	CBC



Field Sparrow:				
21;28	Taunton; Boston, Concord	47;10,10		CBC
White-crowned Sparrow:				
20,21,28	Westport, Fairhaven, Nantucket	1,6,2		CBC
White-throated Sparrow:				
21	Plymouth, Cape Cod	121,206		CBC
28	Boston, Concord	92,177		CBC
Fox Sparrow:				
20;28	Millis; Boston, Lincoln	6;4,4		CBC
Swamp Sparrow:				
21	Cape Cod, Taunton	18,7		CBC
28	Boston, Concord	12,17		CBC
Song Sparrow:				
20,21	Quincy, Cape Cod	77,260		CBC
28	Boston, Concord	156,155		CBC
Lapland Longspur:				
27,28	Salisbury, Boston	25,5		v.o., CBC
Snow Bunting:				
21	Taunton, Orleans Beach	1,200		CBC
21	Weston, Plymouth	1,1		L. Robinson, CBC
28	Boston, Concord	5,1		CBC

#### Abbreviations

ad.	adult	SSBC	South Shore Bird Club
b.	banded	M.B.O.	Manomet Bird Observatory
f.	female	WBWS	Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary
imm.	immature	A.A.	Arnold Arboretum, Jamaica Plain
m.	male	F.H.	Fort Hill, Eastham
max.	maximum	F.P.	Fresh Pond, Cambridge
thr.	throughout	M.V.	Martha's Vineyard
v.o.	various observers	Mt.A.	Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge
yg.	young	P.I.	Plum Island
#	additional observers	S.N.	Sandy Neck, Barnstable
BBC	Brookline Bird Club	CBC	Christmas Bird Count



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