

# Species and Individuals Recorded on Christmas Bird Counts 1991 - 1996

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Christmas bird counts started in Trinidad in 1969 and have continued annually (French, 1986; Lambie and Debie, 1998 and Lambie and Debie, 2000). In

continuation of this series, we now present data for the period 1991-1996. Methods for these counts have remained the same as described by French (1986).

	SPECIES / YEAR	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
1	Little Tinamou	6	7	14	20	19	13
2	Least Grebe	36	56	33	25	11	12
3	Pied-Billed Grebe	1	12	2	1		
4	Olivaceous Cormorant		3	1			
5	Anhinga		6	1	2	1	
6	Magnificent Frigatebird	CW	3			1	5
7	Stripe-Backed Bittern						
8	White-Necked Heron						
9	Great Egret	1	3	18		7	146
10	Snowy Egret	63	17	264	34	46	607
11	Green-Backed Heron	6	5	4		7	
12	Great Blue Heron		2			1	
13	Little Blue Heron	8	44	21	135	60	107
14	Tricoloured Heron	39	17	450	52	301	370
15	Striated Heron				2		2
16	Cattle Egret	126	277	323	68	330	351
17	Black-Crowned Night-Heron		3	7			7
18	Yellow-Crowned Night-Heron	10	6	1		6	33
19	Boat-Billed Heron	1					8
20	Least Bittern						
21	Pinnated Bittern			CW			
22	Scarlet Ibis	7000	8137	7000	3506	8000	3780
23	Fulvous Whistling-Duck						1
24	Snow Goose						
25	American Pigeon						
26	Blue-Winged Teal	17	4	50	1		
27	King Vulture						
28	Black Vulture	542	638	232	265	129	323
29	Turkey Vulture	36	42	50	71	120	95
30	Gray-Headed Kite	2	6	8		8	12
31	Hook-Billed Kite			1			
32	Pearl Kite		2	1	2	2	2
33	White-Tailed Kite			CW			
34	Double-Toothed Kite	1	3	1			3
35	Short-Tailed Hawk			1		2	1
36	Zone-Tailed hawk			4	4	10	1
37	Gray Hawk	2	3	3	1	3	4
38	White Hawk	1	1	5	3	7	1
39	Savanna Hawk	6	7	5	2	7	6
40	Broad-Winged Hawk	4	3	3	1	5	1
41	Common Black Hawk	11	5	9	3	4	8
42	Great Black Hawk						
43	Ornate Hawk-Eagle	CW	1	1		3	2
44	Long-Winged Harrier		3			1	1
45	Osprey	3	9	6	4	3	10
46	Crested Caracara	1					
47	Yellow-Headed Caracara			1	1	2	1
48	Peregrine Falcon	5	3	1		1	3
49	Bat Falcon	3	4		2	3	1
50	Merlin	3		2	5	5	
51	Gray-Breasted Crane						
52	Clapper Rail					1	
53	Gray-Necked Rail						
54	Sora						
55	Common Moorhen	2	5	3	1	6	2
56	Purple Gallinule		7	CW	1	14	7
57	Azure Gallinule			CW			
58	Limpkin			3			
59	Wattled Jacana	111	115	28	50	53	29
60	Southern Lapwing	40	30	17	35	25	15

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61	Semipalmated Plover		2	20			
62	Black-Bellied Plover		180	30		12	
63	Collared Plover		1				
64	Solitary Sandpiper	1	5	2	3	7	7
65	Lesser Yellowlegs		9	23	15	12	
66	Greater Yellowlegs		7	2	2		31
67	Spotted Sandpiper	10	15	15	26		4
68	Willet	7	4	4	22	12	15
69	Black-Necked Stilt						1
70	Wimbrel	8	4	3	8	2	8
71	Sanderling		10				
72	Western sandpiper		1				
73	Least Sandpiper		2	2	2	2	6
74	Pectoral Sandpiper		7	15			
75	Ruddy Turnstone	6		2	15		
76	Semipalmated Sandpiper				2		
77	Common Snipe					2	
78	Short-Billed Dowitcher	10	3	4		10	
79	Yellow-billed tern			2			
80	Rock Dove	139	155	88	88	21	52
81	Scaled Pigeon	27	27	10	13	21	7
82	Pale-Vented Pigeon						1
83	Eared Dove	7	62	2	3	1	40
84	Common Ground-Dove	2	23			2	
85	Plain Breasted Ground Dove						
86	Ruddy Ground-dove	163	87	70	48	57	42
87	White-Tipped Dove		4	2	2	2	1
88	Gray-Fronted Dove	2	5	3	9	12	8
89	Red-Bellied Macaw				104		
90	Brown-Throated Parakeet			16			
91	Green-Rumped Parrotlet	22	6	1	40	29	8
92	Lilac-Tailed Parrotlet	46	234	40	52	121	49
93	Blue-Headed Parrot	2	19	12	2	50	6
94	Yellow-Crowned Parrot		4			7	
95	Orange-Winged Parrot	30	82	128	175	157	113
96	Mangrove Cuckoo						
97	Squirrel Cuckoo	2	3	6	2	6	3
98	Little Cuckoo						
99	Greater Ani					3	
100	Smooth-Billed Ani	77	139	96	58	112	59
101	Striped Cuckoo	2	3	2	3	7	7
102	Barn Owl		4	1		1	1
103	Tropical Screech owl	1	1	2		2	3
104	Spectacled Owl	4	3	1	1	3	2
105	Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl	5	13	12	11	12	8
106	Mottled Owl	1				1	
107	Oilbirds	120	133	132	138	99	118
108	Common Potoo	4	2	1	1	1	3
109	Semicollared Nighthawk						
110	Pauraque			1			2
111	White-Tailed Nightjar				2	2	
112	White-Collared Swift		1	2	52		
113	Chestnut-Collared Swift			5			9
114	Gray-Rumped Swift	5	21	18	6	23	6
115	Band-Rumped Swift	2		17	35	15	14
116	<i>Chaetura spp.</i>						
117	Short-Tailed Swift	12	47	22	8	2	2
118	Lesser Swallow-Tailed Swift		1				1
119	Forked-Tailed Palm Swift		2	21	6	30	5
120	Rufous-Breasted Hermit	6	7	21	10	7	9

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121	Green Hermit	4	11	8	8	9	11
122	Little Hermit	8	7	7	7	7	9
123	White-Necked Jacobin	3	6	9	3	4	7
124	Brown Violetear					1	1
125	Green-Throated Mango				1		1
126	Black-Throated Mango	6	21	6	4	6	18
127	Ruby Topaz	3	5			5	2
128	Tufted Coquette	4	5	5	3	5	4
129	Blue-Chinned Sapphire	11	12	9	14	5	13
130	White-Tailed Goldfinchthroat			CW		1	
131	White-Chested Emerald	8	19	18	10	18	15
132	Copper Rumped Hummingbird	12	15	19	19	38	27
133	Long-Billed Starthroat	2	2	2	2	1	4
134	White-Tailed Trogon	4	4	10	14	6	10
135	Collared Trogon	3	3	3	4	3	4
136	Violaceous Trogon	2	3	4	9	15	7
137	Ringed Kingfisher		1		1	1	
138	Green Kingfisher	1	3	1	1	1	1
139	Belted Kingfisher						
140	Pygmy Kingfisher			1	2		
141	Blue-Crowned Motmot	6	2	7	12	12	5
142	Rufous-Tailed Jacamar		2	13	2	6	
143	Channel-Billed Toucan	24	10	16	23	52	20
144	Goldem-Olive Woodpecker	5	5	3	9	11	10
145	Red-Rumped Woodpecker	2	1	3		1	1
146	Chestnut Woodpecker	3	1	3	5	5	2
147	Lineated Woodpecker	6	12	13	16	20	5
148	Crimson-Crested Woodpecker	1	1	1			
149	Plain-Brown Woodcreeper	1	4	3	7	9	12
150	Straight-Billed Woodcreeper			1	1		
151	Buff-Throated Woodcreeper	5	2	10	13	8	4
152	Streak Headed Woodcreeper						
153	Pale-Breasted Spinetail		3	4	2	6	6
154	Stripe-Breasted Spinetail	2		2		5	5
155	Yellow-Chinned Spinetail	4	4	7	2	5	5
156	Gray-Throated Leafosser	CW		1	1		2
157	Streaked Xenops	1	1	5	3	2	
158	Great Antshrike	8	7	4	11	9	10
159	Black-Crested Antshrike	2		3	3	2	
160	Barred Antshrike	8	15	17	20	23	22
161	Plain Antvireo	1					
162	White-Flanked Antwren	4	2	4	4	12	5
163	White-Bellied Antbird	1	1	5	4	7	4
164	Black-Faced Anthrush	11	8	9	14	9	11
165	Bright-Rumped Attila	1				1	1
166	Black-Tailed Tityra	2	10	6	5	13	3
167	Bearded Bellbird	5	7	9	10	13	8
168	Golden-Headed Manakin	14	15	46	40	47	25
169	White-Bearded Manakin	11	19	49	46	44	14
170	Fork-Tailed Flycatcher						
171	Pied-Water Tyrant	5	21	6	5	12	4
172	White-Headed Marsh-Tyrant	12	14	8	5	8	20
173	Tropical Kingbird	36	51	43	72	28	60
174	Gray Kingbird		2	4		2	
175	White-Winged Becard	1		1			
176	Sulphury Flycatcher			1	3	1	
177	Piratic Flycatcher	3			1		
178	Boat-Billed Flycatcher	4	13	18	13	28	10
179	Streaked Flycatcher	2	8	4	7	7	3
180	Varigated Flycatcher			1			
181	Great Kiskadee	28	77	55	49	53	45
182	Dusky-Capped Flycatcher	3	1		4		
183	Olive-Sided Flycatcher	1	2	2		1	
184	Tropical Pewee	7	4	6	3	5	6
185	Euler's Flycatcher	5	3	1	4	5	
186	Fuscous Flycatcher			1			
187	Bran-Colored Flycatcher		1	2		1	1
188	Yellow-Olive Flycatcher		1				3
189	White-Throated Spadebill	2					1
190	Yellow-Breasted Flycatcher	1	4	16	7	17	4
191	Yellow-Bellied Elaenia	4	11	32	15	24	15
192	Small-Billed Elaenia						
193	Forest Elaenia	3	7	8	7	7	4
194	Short-Tailed Pygmy Tyrant				7	1	
195	Scrub Flycatcher				1		
196	Southern Beardless Tyrannulet	6	7	10	5	8	8
197	Slaty-Capped Flycatcher	4	2	1		7	4
198	Ochre-Bellied Flycatcher	7	13	6	8	13	6
199	White-Winged Swallow	7	33	18	17	18	88

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200	White Wagtail						
201	Gray-Breasted Martin		12	27	7	3	30
202	S.Rough-Winged Swallow	10	27	29	7	14	7
203	Barn Swallow	5	4		32		32
204	Rufous-breasted Wren	19	19	33	43	53	44
205	House Wren	12	13	22	24	27	47
206	Long-Billed Gnatwren	9	11	13	18	27	11
207	Tropical Mockingbird	19	46	33	47	32	29
208	Yellow-Legged Thrush	1	1	CW	4	1	1
209	Cocoa Thrush	7	21	26	27	25	28
210	Bare-Eyed Thrush	1	21	17	28	19	33
211	White-Necked Thrush	5	4	13	3	7	9
212	Rufous-Browed Peppershrike	9	15	33	24	22	28
213	Red-Eyed Vireo	1		1			
214	Collared-Fronted Greenlet	11	25	28	26	55	39
215	Black-And-White Warbler						
216	Prothonotary Warbler						
217	Tropical Parula	3	9	7	7	8	12
218	Yellow Warbler	3	3	17	21	13	7
219	Blackpoll Warbler			CW	1		
220	Canada Warbler			CW			
221	Northern Waterthrush	5	15	14	21	15	22
222	Masked Yellowthroat		1	1		2	
223	American Redstart	2	3	3	1	3	3
224	Bay-Breasted Warbler						
225	Golden-Crowned Warbler	5	3	2	7	6	11
226	Blackburnian Warbler			CW			
227	Bicolored Conebill	3	15		12	8	2
228	Bananaquit	39	82	100	145	153	195
229	Purple Honeycreeper	4	25	11	37	70	40
230	Red-Legged Honeycreeper		4			7	5
231	Green Honeycreeper	12	23	38	33	41	45
232	Blue Dacnis	15	15	21	13	23	12
233	Trinidad Euphonia	2	2	13	19	17	6
234	Violaceous Euphonia	37	32	29	38	50	38
235	Speckled Tanager	8	6	10	4	11	9
236	Turquoise Tanager	16	41	38	40	92	35
237	Bay-Headed Tanager	35	20	46	36	40	40
238	Blue-Gray Tanager	24	55	66	59	64	68
239	Blue-Capped Tanager						CW
240	Palm Tanager	47	96	94	104	92	66
241	Silver-Beaked Tanager	11	56	53	49	88	51
242	Hepatic Tanager		1		3	2	1
243	Summer Tanager	1	1				1
244	Red-Crowned Ant-Tanager	5	7	5		9	7
245	White-Lined Tanager	8	28	34	43	75	68
246	Swallow Tanager						2
247	White-Shouldered Tanager	11	2	18	26	13	CW
248	Grayish Saltator	CW	15	16	12	17	12
249	Streaked saltator		1				
250	Red-Capped Cardinal			1		1	
251	Dickcissel						
252	Blue-Black Grassquit	6	45	93	59	53	88
253	Sooty Grassquit		5	10	7	10	2
254	Yellow-Bellied Seedeater						
255	Ruddy-Breasted Seedeater				1	5	2
256	Grey Seedeater						1
257	Shiny Cowbird	3	8	8		5	21
258	Giant Cowbird	43	16	11	1	18	3
259	Crested Oropendola	101	106	68	133	105	118
260	Yellow-Rumped Cacique	24	37	35	14	16	25
261	Carib Grackle		58	63	71	21	64
262	Yellow-Hooded Blackbird	155	89	19	31	20	160
263	Moriche Oriole				1		
264	Yellow Oriole	7	23	20	8	11	16
265	Red-Breasted Blackbird	11	33	11	11	27	2

Year	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Total Number	9963	12556	11278	7158	12300	8851
Total Species	161	184	185	168	181	177

Number of different species for years 1969 to 1996 = 265  
CW = Count Week

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