

Species and Individuals Recorded on Christmas Bird Counts, 1981 - 1990

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The Annual Christmas Bird Counts have been published for the years 1969-1975 and 1981-1983 (ffrench, 1986) and for the years 1976 - 1980 by Lambie and Debie (1998). In continuation of this series of

records we present the data obtained for the years 1981 -1990. Methods used for these counts have been given by ffrench (1986).

	SPECIES / YEAR	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990
1	Little Tinamou	4	2	5	7	7	4	4	6	5	13
2	Least Grebe								4		32
3	Pied-Billed Grebe	12	10	6	1	0					3
4	Olivaceous Cormorant										
5	Anhinga	1	2	2			2				4
6	Magnificent Frigatebird	10	1		6	4	6	6	4		1
7	Stripe-Backed Bittern										1
8	White-Necked Heron										
9	Great Egret	13	8	13	5	18	3	3	2		4
10	Snowy Egret	4	3	1	1	35	10	10			7
11	Green-Backed Heron					6	6	6	6		3
12	Great Blue Heron								1		
13	Little Blue Heron	23	86	22	19	15	13	13	24	20	39
14	Tricoloured Heron	32	38	7	26	12	6	6	40	15	47
15	Striated Heron	4	1	2	12						
16	Cattle Egret	714	795	280	398	200	10	100	388	300	186
17	Black-Crowned Night-Heron										
18	Yellow-Crowned Night-Heron	3				4	27	2	2	3	2
19	Boat-Billed Heron			1	1	3				10	3
20	Least bittern								1		
21	Pinnated Bittern										
22	Scarlet Ibis	5000	3500	3500	2366	7000	3000	3000	2295	2500	4500
23	Fulvous Whistling-Duck	2			6	2	2	2			81
24	Snow Goose				4						
25	American Wigeon		2								
26	Blue-Winged Teal	20	1		6	13	14	14	5	2	3
27	King Vulture										
28	Black Vulture	1133	181	701	644	600	71	71	340	551	742
29	Turkey Vulture	7	7	19	25	35	5	5	19	22	38
30	Gray-Headed Kite	1				1			1	1	1
31	Hook-Billed Kite										
32	Pearl Kite										1
33	White-Tailed Kite					2					
34	Double-Toothed Kite								2	3	2
35	Short-Tailed Hawk				1	4	2	2	2	2	4
36	Zone-Tailed hawk					1	1	1			1
37	Gray Hawk		1	1	3				1		
38	White Hawk	2			2	3	2	2	2	4	5
39	Savanna Hawk	5	6	4	5	5	10	10	6	3	5
40	Broad-Winged Hawk								CW	1	4
41	Common Black Hawk	4	2	4	8	9	3	3	12	8	21
42	Great Black Hawk										
43	Ornate Hawk-Eagle	1	4						1	2	4
44	Long-Winged Harrier					1					
45	Osprey	2	6	8	1	7	2	2	4	8	6
46	Crested Caracara										

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47	Yellow-Headed Caracara				1	1			4		1
48	Peregrine Falcon				2	1					5
49	Bat Falcon			1	3	1	1			2	2
50	Merlin				1	2	1	1		CW	1
51	Gray-Breasted Crane				1	1					3
52	Clapper Rail	2	2	2	6			2	2	5	3
53	Gray-Necked Rail										
54	Sora										
55	Common Moorhen	49	55	38	7	2			1		4
56	Purple Gallinule				4	2	2		3		
57	Azure Gallinule								1		
58	Limpkin										
59	Wattled Jacana	38	59	49	32	100	51	51	55	43	39
60	Southern Lapwing	24	15	19	7	57	50	50	49	4	15
61	Semipalmated Plover							3	3		
62	Black-Bellied Plover				22	96		4	4		7
63	Collared Plover										
64	Solitary Sandpiper	3	3	5	6	5	1	1	3		4
65	Lesser Yellowlegs	8	1	9		6	6	6	4		74
66	Greater Yellowlegs		7	3	13	4	7	7			10
67	Spotted Sandpiper	30	20	41	12	20	4	4	19		10
68	Willet				6	12		27	27		8
69	Black-Necked Stilt										33
70	Wimbrel				1						3
71	Sanderling										4
72	Western sandpiper										
73	Least Sandpiper	4			17					5	3
74	Pectoral Sandpiper			5	6						
75	Ruddy Turnstone						1	1			4
76	Semipalmated Sandpiper	40	1	2	3		5	5	CW		
77	Common Snipe	1	1				1				1
78	Short-Billed Dowitcher				1						
79	Yellow-billed tern										
80	Rock Dove										129
81	Scaled Pigeon	5	12	22	12	8	8	8	6	13	12
82	Pale-Vented Pigeon										
83	Eared Dove	8	4	2		9	3	3			2
84	Common Ground-Dove	7	4	4	3	7	6	6	7	20	2
85	Plain Breasted Ground Dove									1	
86	Ruddy Ground-dove	56	58	36	49	200	22	22	152	10	63
87	White-Tipped Dove	1	2	2	2	4	1	1	6	3	1
88	Gray-Fronted Dove	7	1	1	3		3	3	5	2	3
89	Red-Bellied Macaw										
90	Brown-Throated Parakeet										
91	Green-Rumped Parrotlet	33	2	30	11	12	14	14	12	12	15
92	Lilac-Tailed Parrotlet	12	4		7	18	2	2	22	18	67
93	Blue-Headed Parrot	10	6	10	2	4	19	19	6	6	27
94	Yellow-Crowned Parrot										
95	Orange-Winged Parrot	21	75	29	66	61	42	42	47	52	39
96	Mangrove Cuckoo		1	1		1					
97	Squirrel Cuckoo	1		2	3	2				3	5

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98	Little Cuckoo					1						150	Straight-Billed Woodcreeper					2			2		
99	Greater Ani						2	2	1		3	151	Buff-Throated Woodcreeper	1	2	2	3	6	2	2	3	3	6
100	Smooth-Billed Ani	35	35	18	34	162	10	10	32	43	52	152	Streak Headed Woodcreeper					1					
101	Striped Cuckoo	6			1	2			2		2	153	Pale-Breasted Spinetail	6	4	1	2	8			2	1	2
102	Barn Owl			1	1	1					2	154	Stripe-Breasted Spinetail	1			1		1	1		2	7
103	Tropical Screech owl					1			1		2	155	Yellow-Chinned Spinetail	6	2	8	1	6			9	4	3
104	Spectacled Owl					3	1	1	2	4	1	156	Gray-Throated Leafhopper			2							3
105	Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl	8	4	5	4	7	7	7	6	8	2	157	Streaked Xenops				1	3			1		2
106	Mottled Owl								1		1	158	Great Antshrike	2	3	3	7	4	3	3	4	1	5
107	Oilbirds	123	105	50	1	48	59	59	98	102	138	159	Black-Crested Antshrike	2	3	2		3				1	3
108	Common Potoo				3	15			10	3	4	160	Barred Antshrike	12	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	7	14
109	Semicollared Nighthawk		1									161	Plain Antvireo	1					4	4	1		2
110	Pauraque			1							4	162	White-Flanked Antwren			3	1	1	3	3	5	2	7
111	White-Tailed Nightjar										10	163	White-Bellied Antbird		2	6	3	1			1		1
112	White-Collared Swift											164	Black-Faced Antthrush	3	4	4	4	9	5	5	5	8	12
113	Chestnut-Collared Swift					3						165	Bright-Rumped Attila	2	2	1					1		1
114	Gray-Rumped Swift		30	12	46	55	31	31	9	51	32	166	Black-Tailed Tityra	3		1	4	5	2	2	1	1	12
115	Band-Rumped Swift			10	10	20	21	21	1	85	7	167	Bearded Bellbird	8	5	6	9	10	6	6	5	8	11
116	<i>Chaetura spp.</i>											168	Goldern-Headed Manakin	8	5	19	23	34	22	22	25	11	36
117	Short-Tailed Swift	3	6	21	37						5	169	White-Bearded Manakin	10	5	20	13	23	10	10	40	22	14
118	Lesser Swallow-Tailed Swift			1	1	2						170	Fork-Tailed Flycatcher					18					
119	Forked-Tailed Palm Swift					19					5	171	Pied-Water Tyrant	8	12	8	4	6	2	2	4	5	5
120	Rufous-Breasted Hermit	3	4	9	1	3	3	3	3	4	11	172	White-Headed Marsh-Tyrant	19	16	12	5	27	11	11	6	7	11
121	Green Hermit	4	4	3	4	2	2	2	8	2	3	173	Tropical Kingbird	22	16	19	28	200	14	14	30	44	20
122	Little Hermit	5	4	5	4	6	1	1	6	5	7	174	Gray Kingbird										
123	White-Necked Jacobin			1	2		2	2	3	1	14	175	White-Winged Becard								1		1
124	Brown Violetear								CW			176	Sulphury flycatcher										1
125	Green-Throated Mango											177	Piratic Flycatcher					1					1
126	Black-Throated Mango	4	2	2	5		3	3	4	3	15	178	Boat-Billed Flycatcher	8	3	6	6	10	6	6	2	7	5
127	Ruby Topaz	1		1		1	1	1				179	Streaked Flycatcher	2	1	1	4	2	1	1	1	1	1
128	Tufted Coquette	1	1	1	6	5	4	4	1	1	9	180	Varigated Flycatcher										
129	Blue-Chinned Sapphire	3		4	10	12	6	6	2	3	7	181	Great Kiskadee	21	17	16	15	13	7	7	24	24	11
130	White-Tailed Goldenthroat											182	Dusky-Capped Flycatcher						2	2	2		1
131	White-Chested Emerald	12	1	5	8	10	10	10	6	16	15	183	Olive-Sided Flycatcher			1	2	2	1	1			1
132	Copper Rumped Hummingbird	9	4	9	23	21	8	8	11	19	16	184	Tropical Pewee	1		3	5	2	1	1	3	1	4
133	Long-Billed Starthroat	1		1		1	1	2	1	1	1	185	Euler's Flycatcher			1	3	3			1	1	3
134	White-Tailed Trogon	1	1	2	5	4	1	1	3	3	5	186	Fuscous Flycatcher										1
135	Collared Trogon	5		1		5			2		5	187	Bran-Colored Flycatcher								1		
136	Violaceous Trogon	3		3	4	8	5	5	3	5	8	188	Yellow-Olive Flycatcher				1	1			2		3
137	Ringed Kingfisher											189	White-Throated Spadebill										1
138	Green Kingfisher					1			1		1	190	Yellow-Breasted Flycatcher	3	6	2	4	4	2	2	7	4	7
139	Belted Kingfisher											191	Yellow-Bellied Elaenia	6	4	5	1	6	1	1	9	11	9
140	Pygmy Kingfisher		1									192	Small-Billed Elaenia					2					
141	Blue-Crowned Motmot	2	1	2	2	1	6	6	6	14	8	193	Forest Elaenia	2			1	1			1	1	5
142	Rufous-Tailed Jacamar					1	36	2	1		2	194	Short-Tailed Pygmy Tyrant										
143	Channel-Billed Toucan	9	17	12	13	13	14	14	7	10	23	195	Scrub Flycatcher								1		
144	Goldern-Olive Woodpecker	6	4	3	9	23	1	4	10	7	15	196	Southern Beardless Tyrannulet	1		8		2	1	1	5	3	3
145	Red-Rumped Woodpecker				1				1	6	3	197	Slaty-Capped Flycatcher	2				4	4	4	1	1	3
146	Chestnut Woodpecker	2		2	4	1	4	4	3	5	4	198	Ochre-Bellied Flycatcher			2	3	8	2	2	2	2	8
147	Lineated Woodpecker	3		2	7	5	4	4	4	9	4	199	White-Winged Swallow		1			10	8	8	2	3	6
148	Crimson-Crested Woodpecker											200	White Wagtail								CW		
149	Plain-Brown Woodcreeper	1	2	1	1	5	3			5	1												

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201 Gray-Breasted Martin	4	54	5	2	13	4	4	3		4	252 Blue-Black Grassquit	33	6	6	41	60	13	13	33	29	14
202 S.Rough-Winged Swallow	2	1		8	11	3	3	2	20	2	253 Sooty Grassquit										1
203 Barn Swallow	73	115	7	4	20	14	14	126	22	1	254 Yellow-Bellied Seedeater										
204 Rufous-breasted Wren	8	8	7	9	11	5	5	13	6	22	255 Ruddy-Breasted Seedeater	4		2	1	1			1		
205 House Wren	26	5	7	15	9	11	11	18	4	9	256 Grey Seedeater										
206 Long-Billed Gnatwren	8	2	5	1	6		5	3	3	22	257 Shiny Cowbird	20	52	15	5	11	7		8	10	2
207 Tropical Mockingbird	26	10	12	20	16	16	12	46	23	16	258 Giant Cowbird	15	3	3	9	10	9	7	17	4	3
208 Yellow-Legged Thrush		1			14						259 Crested Oropendola	61	59	18	191	127	67	67	72	55	108
209 Cocoa Thrush	27	11	8	11	18	2	8	32	40	20	260 Yellow-Rumped Cacique	17	16	21	23	10	17	9	4	6	17
210 Bare-Eyed Thrush	6	2	2	2	8	5	5	5	12	3	261 Carib Grackle	44	640	134	71	200	15	15	96	40	48
211 White-Necked Thrush	2	2	7	3	6	3	3	3	7	6	262 Yellow-Hooded Blackbird	6	4	7	12	2	4	4	52	2	22
212 Rufous-Browed Peppershrike	11	7	7	10	7	12	12	26	11	13	263 Moriche Oriole										2
213 Red-Eyed Vireo			1					1			264 Yellow Oriole	9	4	3	9	14	3	3	13	7	3
214 Golden-Fronted Greenlet	2	2	12	17	5	6	6	3	18	27	265 Red-Breasted Blackbird	7	4	5	7	10	17	10	5	4	3
215 Black-And-White Warbler					1	1	1			2											
216 Prothonotary Warbler								1													
217 Tropical Parula	1			6	6	5	5	1	3	8											
218 Yellow Warbler	15	2	5	7	5	3	3	11	4	3											
219 Blackpoll Warbler																					
220 Canada Warbler																					
221 Northern Waterthrush	6	2	8	13	2	2	2	9	11	7											
222 Masked Yellowthroat								1													
223 American Redstart	5	2	2	4	5	6	6	2	5	5											
224 Bay-Breasted Warbler										1											
225 Golden-Crowned Warbler	1	1	5	1	4	4	4	CW	5	15											
226 Blackburnian Warbler																					
227 Bicolored Conebill	3	9	3	3	14	5	5	13	7	10											
228 Bananaquit	41	26	33	75	122	32	32	63	39	44											
229 Purple Honeycreeper	16	4	5	41	11	18	18	15	4	27											
230 Red-Legged Honeycreeper						1	1			2											
231 Green Honeycreeper	4	2	12	15	12	13	13	19	19	22											
232 Blue Dacnis	6		7	9	14	5	5	2	10	10											
233 Trinidad Euphonia				1	3	1	1	1	9	5											
234 Violaceous Euphonia	12	6	12	21	59	15	15	44	27	27											
235 Speckled Tanager	2	4	5	4	1	14	14		4	23											
236 Turquoise Tanager	15	14	16	32	48	9	9	22	31	30											
237 Bay-Headed Tanager	26	10	26	48	91	50	50	38	31	46											
238 Blue-Gray Tanager	12	22	14	31	44	11	11	31	49	30											
239 Blue-Capped Tanager						1	1														
240 Palm Tanager	23	17	24	47	51	32	32	19	71	49											
241 Silver-Beaked Tanager	11	20	12	24	26	11	11	11	23	14											
242 Hepatic Tanager		5	1	4	3	5	6			2											
243 Summer Tanager			1		1			1													
244 Red-Crowned Ant-Tanager		4	2	1		1	1	2	3	2											
245 White-Lined Tanager	13	10	8	25	34	20	20	21	17	26											
246 Swallow Tanager																					
247 White-Shouldered Tanager	2	1		6	8	4	4	3		1											
248 Grayish Saltator	8			3	6	3	3	6	5	5											
249 Streaked saltator																					
250 Red-Capped Cardinal																					
251 Dickcissel																					

Year	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990
Total Number	8400	6509	5814	5205	5175	4380	4370	4969	5059	7737
Total Species	135	125	148	149	162	142	140	161	135	184

Number of different species for years 1969 to 1996 = 265

CW = Count Week

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