

Birds Around the State:

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The following is a summary of noteworthy bird sightings in Mississippi for the period 1 December 1986 through 30 November 1987. The sequence of information in each account is: species, number, date, place, observer(s). Numbers of birds sighted are underlined. The significance of sightings is indicated by a letter in parentheses following a record. These letters are as follows: (A) = arrival date, (D) = departure date, (E) = early date, (L) = late date, (N) = unusually large number, (R) = species rare in area or at that season. Other abbreviations used include the following: m = male, f = female, ad = adult, imm = immature, pr = pair, pl = plumage, BBS = Breeding Bird Survey of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, CBC = Christmas Bird Count, GMA = Game Management Area, NWR = National Wildlife Refuge, SL = sewage lagoon(s), SP = State Park, WMA = Wildlife Management Area, PRM = Pascagoula River Marsh. The list of sightings is followed by keys to observers' initials and new or unusual localities mentioned. Localities that have been frequently cited in past issues of "Birds Around the State" and identified in previous keys may not be included in the present key.

Contributions of records are welcome from anyone who makes observations of Mississippi birds. Only with the assistance of many individuals from throughout the state over a period of years can we come to understand the dynamics of the bird populations of Mississippi. Contributors should submit records on 3" x 5" cards or similar-sized slips of paper with the following information: species, number seen, date (including year), location (county and distance and direction from nearest town), observer(s), and details and significance of observation. While records are welcome at any time, those received by 15 March, 15 June, 15 August, and 15 December will be submitted with the seasonal report to American Birds as well as being considered for use in the Mississippi Kite. Please send all records to:

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THE MISSISSIPPI KITE

COMMON LOON -- flocks of 20-40, 7 Mar., Pascagoula and Gulfport, JT, MH (N); 1, 18 Apr., Ross Barnett Res., GK (D); 11, 25 Oct., Sardis Lake, Panola Co., MD (N); 3, 26 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)

PIED-BILLED GREBE -- 1 ad, 2 chicks, 14 Mar., PRM, CD, CC

HORNED GREBE -- 30, 5 Mar., Harrison Co., JT, CC (N); 1 basic pl, 14 Apr., Gulfport, JT (D); 1, 6 Nov., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A)

EARED GREBE -- 2, 12 Dec., 1, 27 Dec., Sardis Lake, GK, SK, MD (R); 1, 17 Jan., Grenada SL, GK, SK, MD, TS (R); 2, 25 Mar., Seaman Rd. SL, CC, CK, JS; 1-4, 25 Aug.-30 Nov., Seaman Rd. SL, m.ob.; 3, 7 Sept., Starkville, 1, 7 Sept., Clay Co., 3, 11 Oct., Laurel SL, TS (R); 3, 5 Nov., 1, 30 Nov., Waveland SL, JT, DK, GM, CC; 1, 29 Nov., Grenada SL, MD, GK

NORTHERN GANNET -- 62 (mostly ad), 3 Mar., Miss. Sound off Jackson Co., JT, CD (N); 30 (mostly imm), 29 Mar., 9, 22 Apr., N. & S. of Horn I., JT, CD, TS; 75, 4 Apr., E. tip W. Ship I., JM; 1 (probably debilitated), 4 Sept., Bay St. Louis beach, CC, CD, GM

AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN -- 15, 22 Feb., Kiln, TS; 5 sightings, 13 max., 1 Mar.-14 May, Jackson & Harrison cos., JT (low N); 69, 19 Apr., Ross Barnett Res., GK (N); 2, 21 June, Sardis Waterfowl Ref., VT, GK, SK, MD (R; 1st N. MS summer record); 12, 28 July, Singing River I., MH, CD, JT; 16, 13-27 Oct., Loakfoma Lake, TS, m.ob. (R); 300-1000+, 17-31 Oct., Lake Whittington, Bolivar Co., NH (N)

BROWN PELICAN -- 50, 3 Mar., Horn I., JT, CD (N); 30-40, 20 Aug., Horn I., JT, MB, CD; 100, 13 Nov., W. Harrison & Hancock cos., JT (N)

GREAT CORMORANT -- 1 imm, 24 Apr., Gulfport, GM, CD, CC, JT (R)

DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT -- 500, 21 Dec., Eagle Lake, GL (N); 1000, 6 Mar., Lake Ferguson, Washington Co., NH (N); 100, 8 Apr., Eagle Lake, GL; 70, 10 Apr., Hancock Co., JT; 2 or 3 ad, 6 June, Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., MD (3rd summer present); 2, 17 Sept., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A)

ANHINGA -- 1, 20-30 Dec., Warren Co., HM (L); 2, 22 Apr., Franklin Creek area, Jackson Co., JT, TH; 4, 15 June, Big Point cooling pond, JT, CD (1 nest seen---3rd known nesting this locality); 10, 8 Sept., Big Point cooling pond, JT, CC

MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD -- 1 m, 22 Apr., Pascagoula, JT, TH

AMERICAN BITTERN -- 1, 11 Mar., Ocean Springs, JT; 1, 11 Apr., Yocona R. bottoms, Lafayette Co., SK, GK (R); 1 calling, 3 May, Yocona R. bottoms, SK, GK, JT (R); 2, 4 May, Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS; 1-2, 2 Oct.-30 Nov., Kiln, JT, JP, CC, m.ob.; 1, 12 Nov., Lake Tom Bailey, Lauderdale Co., JM, MiS, PE

- LEAST BITTERN -- 1 calling, 2 & 30 May, 9 mi NE. Oxford, MD, GK, SK; 15, 5-21 May, Jackson Co., JT, CD; 1 ad, 4 July, MS Hwy. 330 pond, MD (new locality); 7, 7 Aug., Graveline Bayou mouth, Jackson Co., CD
- GREAT BLUE HERON -- 96, 6 Dec., 52, 24 Jan., Sardis Lake, MD; at least 10 occupied nests, 10 Mar., colony abandoned, 28 Mar., Newton Co., JM; 18 nests, 29 Mar., Round I., Pascagoula, JT, CD, TS
- GREAT EGRET -- 100, 9 Mar., Waveland beach, JT, GM, CC; 2, 4 July, 69, 28 July, MS Hwy. 330 pond, MD, GK, SK (N); 400, 22 Aug., Rosedale, MH, TS (N)
- SNOWY EGRET -- 100, 9 Mar., Waveland beach, JT, GM, CC; 1, 14 Apr., Sardis Waterfowl Ref., GK (R); 1, 23 May, Yocona R., Lafayette Co., MD, GK (R); 2, 19 July, Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha Co., MH, TS; 1, 17 Aug., Loakfoma Lake, TS (R)
- LITTLE BLUE HERON -- 1 ad, 20 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)
- TRICOLORED HERON -- 1 imm, 22 Aug., Bolivar Co. Lake, TS, MH (R); 1 imm, 2 Sept., Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha Co., DM, TS (R)
- REDDISH EGRET -- 1-2, 5 Mar.-16 Apr., Waveland beach, JT, m.ob.; 1 breeding pl, 26 Mar., E. Ship I., JT, CD, MB; 1 breeding pl, 29 Mar., Horn I., JT, CD, TS; 2-7, 11 June-29 July, Waveland beach, JT, m.ob. (E,N); up to 10, 1 Aug.-30 Nov., beaches in Hancock & Harrison cos., JT
- CATTLE EGRET -- 5, 1 Mar., Jackson Co., JT, CD (A); 20, 24 Apr., Eagle Lake, GL; 40, 4 June, Kiln, JT (no nesting noted); 1, 31 Oct., Loakfoma Lake, TS (D)
- GREEN-BACKED HERON -- 1, 23 Sept., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)
- BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON -- 13, 29 Dec., Bayou Caddy, CD, MH; 5-6 ad, 3 imm, 24-25 Oct., 1 imm, 29 Nov., Grenada Lake, Grenada Co., GK, SK, MD (R); 7 imm, 5 Nov., Kiln, JT, m.ob.; 1, 11 Nov., Kiln, JT
- YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON -- 1 ad, 28 Mar., 3 pr nesting, 25 Apr.-17 May, 3 ad, 4 young, 23 May, 2 ad, 9 young, 15 June, young beginning to fledge by 28 June, Tallahatchie R. bottoms, Lafayette Co., MD, SK, GK; 11 ad, 12 imm, 28 July, E. Pascagoula R. marshes, JT, MH, CD (N); 3 ad, 73 imm, 28 July, marshes S. of Bayou Cassotte, JT, CD, MH (N, twice previous high); 2, 1 Aug., Winston Co., MH, TS
- WHITE IBIS -- 2, 22 Feb., Kiln, TS; 300 ad (2 flocks), 1 Apr., W. Hancock Co., JT, CD; 2-3 imm, Newton Co., JM; max of 30 imm, 19 July, Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha Co., DM, MH, TS (N, present throughout July); 1-34 imm, 13 July-8 Aug., MS Hwy. 330 pond, 4-6 imm, 23-29 July, Sardis Waterfowl Ref., GK, SK, MD, VT (N); 5, 19 Sept., Loakfoma Lake, TS (D); 114, 31 Oct., PRM, CC, MF, AD (N)
- GLOSSY IBIS -- 1, 5 Nov., Kiln, JT, m.ob.
- WHITE-FACED IBIS -- 6, 5 Nov., Kiln, JT, m.ob.

- Plegadis species -- 1-7, 30 Sept.-30 Nov., Lakeshore, JT, m.ob.; 40, 5 Nov., Kiln, JT, DK, GM, CC
- ROSEATE SPOONBILL -- 1, last days of July, 7 Aug., Kiln, SM (fide JT;R); 2-7 imm, 5-7 Sept., Issaquena Co., GK, SK, MD, TS, EA, MH (R)
- WOOD STORK -- 24 ad, 10 imm, 19 July, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee, Oktibbeha & Winston cos., TS, MH; 320, 22 Aug., Rosedale, MH, TS (N); 70, 2 Sept., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (N); 26, 5 Sept., S Washington Co., 130, 5 Sept., N Issaquena Co., GK, SK (N); 275, 6 Sept., N Issaquena Co., MD (N); 38, 19 Sept., Loakfoma Lake, TS (D)
- TUNDRA SWAN -- 2 ad, 13 Dec., Grenada Lake, GK, SK, MD (R); 1 ad, 24 Dec.-28 Feb., 1 imm, 11 Jan.-28 Feb., Sardis Waterfowl Ref., GK, SK, MD, TS (R); 24 (2 flocks of 12), 24 Mar., Kiln, DR (R)
- GREATER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE -- 2, 29 Oct.-3 Nov., Kiln, JT, GM, MB, m.ob. (R)
- SNOW GOOSE -- 5, 31 Jan., Yazoo NWR, GL, HM, HoM; 4, 5 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- CANADA GOOSE -- 2, 15-17 Oct., Kiln, JT, CS, MD
- WOOD DUCK -- 1 f w/ chick, 16 Apr., Waveland SL, JT
- GREEN-WINGED TEAL -- 1, 2 Oct., Kiln, JT, CC, JP (E); 1, 3 Oct., Starkville SL, TS (A)
- AMERICAN BLACK DUCK -- 2, 24 Oct., Loakfoma Lake, TS (A); 2, 13 Nov., Greenwood I., JT, MP
- MOTTLED DUCK -- 110, 1 Mar., PRM, JT, CD (N); 1 ad w/ 10 small chicks, 28 Apr., Greenwood I., JT, MP
- MALLARD -- 1 f, 5 downy young, 19-21 July, 3 imm, 31 July, Starkville SL, TS, MH (R); 30, 29 Oct., Kiln, JT, MB, GM (N)
- NORTHERN PINTAIL -- 2, 19 Sept., Kiln, JT, GK, SK; 10, 7 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- BLUE-WINGED TEAL -- 3, 27 Oct., Loakfoma Lake, TS (D)
- Cinnamon x Blue-winged teal hybrid -- 1 m, 22 Mar.-11 Apr., Starkville SL, TS, MH
- NORTHERN SHOVELER -- 3, 18 Aug., Starkville SL, TS (A); 2500+, 31 Oct.-30 Nov., NW. Humphreys Co., MH (N)
- GADWALL -- 48, 17 Apr., 16, 29 Apr., Sardis Waterfowl Ref., MD (L,N); 1 m, 20-22 July, Starkville SL, TS, MH (R); 4-5, 5 Oct., Kiln & Jackson Marsh, JT, CC, AJ, BJ (E); 35, 7 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- AMERICAN WIGEON -- 3, 30 Sept., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A); 1, 2 Oct., Kiln, JT, CC, JP (E)
- CANVASBACK -- 2, 25 Oct., Seaman Rd. SL, JT (E); 10, 28 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- REDHEAD -- 2, 8 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (E); 2, 11 Oct., Bayou Cassotte, TS, JM (E)

- RING-NECKED DUCK -- 6 pr, 6 June, 1 pr, 28 June, Ross Barnett Res., Madison Co., GK, SK (R, no evidence of nesting); 1, 9 Aug., Tishomingo SP, TS, ES (R); 6, 7 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- GREATER SCAUP -- 4, 6 Dec., Starkville SL, TS (R); 10, 3 Mar., Miss. Sound near Horn I., JT, CD; 1 m, 12 Apr., Eupora SL, Webster Co., TS (R)
- LESSER SCAUP -- 500, 11 Apr., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (N); 3, 20 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- OLDSQUAW -- 21, 22 Feb., off Biloxi beach, TS; 110, 3 Mar., Miss. Sound off Jackson Co., JT, CD (N); 15, 26 Mar., E. Ship I., JT, CD, MB
- BLACK SCOTER -- 15, 22 Mar., off Biloxi beach, JT (N); 1 imm m, 15 Nov., Bellefontaine Beach, CC, CD, JP (R)
- SURF SCOTER -- 1 f/imm, 22 Feb., Bear Creek, Tishomingo Co., GP (R); 1 f/imm, 11 Oct., Laurel SL, TS, JM (R); 2 f/imm, 15 Nov., Bellefontaine Beach, CC, JP, CD; 1, 16 Nov., Bellefontaine Beach, JT, MB
- WHITE-WINGED SCOTER -- 1 imm, 7 Mar., Biloxi beach, MG, CG; 1 m, 15 Mar., Lake Lowndes, Lowndes Co., TS (R); 4-5 f, 24-25 Oct., Grenada SL, GK, SK, MD (1st area fall record); 3, 16 Nov., Bellefontaine Beach, JT, MB (R)
- COMMON GOLDENEYE -- 1, 21 Nov., Starkville SL, TS (A)
- BUFFLEHEAD -- 2, 6 Nov., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A)
- HOODED MEGANSER -- 6 pr, males displaying, 19 Mar., Bolivar Co., NH; 1, 28 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A); 1 pr, 10 Nov., 1 m, 29 Nov., Hickory, JM
- COMMON MEGANSER -- 4, 17 Jan., Grenada Lake, SK, GK, JT, m.ob. (R); 1 f, 17 May, Sardis Dam Lower Lake, GK, SK (L)
- RED-BREASTED MEGANSER -- 4, 5 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- RUDDY DUCK -- 1 f, 26 July, Laurel SL, TS (R); 1, 30 Sept., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A); 8, 4 Oct., Seaman Rd. SL, JT, m.ob. (A)
- Duck species -- 14,000, 20 Dec., Grenada Lake, m.ob. (N); 18,000, 27 Dec., Sardis Waterfowl Ref., m.ob. ---Sardis CBC (N)
- TURKEY VULTURE -- 1 albino, 14 Nov., Church Hill, RL (feeding with normally-pigmented TV's; white with light speckling of tan)
- OSPREY -- 20, 26 Mar., E. (18) & W. (2) Ship is., JT, CD, MB; 14, 29 Mar., Horn & Round is., JT, CD, TS; 1, 1 Apr., Jones Co., JM; 1, 3 June, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., JJ, MH (R); 1, 20 June, Warren Co., JB, HM, CDr, JBe (R); 2, 27 June, Sardis Waterfowl Ref., MD, VT (3rd or 4th summer here, no evidence of nesting); 8, 28 July, Bayou Cassotte and Greenwood I., MH, CD, JT; 1 ad f, 13 Sept., Humphreys Co., MH; 1, 1 & 13 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS; 3 ad, 30 Nov., Bolivar Co., NH

- AMERICAN SWALLOW-TAILED KITE -- 1, 19 Mar., Kiln, JT (A); 1, 3 May, near Sardis Dam, Panola Co., GK (R, 2nd N. Miss. record; 1st was a 1938 specimen from Pontotoc Co.); 1, 13 Sept., Vicksburg, JB (R)
- BLACK-SHOULDERED KITE -- 1, 22 Feb., Port Bienville, TS; 1, 24 Mar., Ansley, JT, CD; 1-4 (incl. 3 imm), 15 Aug.-29 Nov., at or near Ansley, JT, m.ob.
- MISSISSIPPI KITE -- 20, 20-29 Apr. (10 on 20 Apr.), Vicksburg, JB; 1, 22 Apr., upper Pascagoula R., Jackson Co., JT; 1, 25 Apr., Jefferson Co., GL; 1 imm, 10 June, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., MH (R); 2 ad, 1 nestling, 18 July, Gautier, CD, CaG; 8 (mostly imm), 24 July, Sardis Dam, MD; 106, (34 on 16 Aug.), 14-25 Aug., Vicksburg, JB; 2, 6 Sept., Gulfport, JT (L); 1, 3 Oct., Morgan City, MH (L)
- BALD EAGLE -- 1 ad, 7 Dec., Noxubee NWR, TS; 17 (incl. 4 ad), 10 Jan., Sardis Lake, MD, GK, DD (N); 2 ad, 1 imm, 25 Jan., Noxubee NWR, TS (N); 2 ad at nest, 8-9 Feb., Eagle Lake, GL, MaB; 1-2, 9-11 Feb., Bolivar Co., NH, JH, et al.; 1 imm, 1-2 Sept., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (E); 1-5 (1 ad, 4 imm), 15 Sept.-30 Nov., Kiln, SM, JT, m.ob.; 1 ad, 2 Oct., Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., GK (E); 1 ad, 14 Nov., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS, ES, m.ob.; 1 ad, 15 Nov., Humphreys Co., JJ, MH (1st county record)
- NORTHERN HARRIER -- 1 imm, 11 Sept., Sardis Waterfowl Ref., MD (E); 2, 21 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- SHARP-SHINNED HAWK -- 1, 1 Apr., Hancock Co., JT; 1 imm, 28 June, Jeff Busby Park, TS, MH (R); 1, 1 Sept., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A); 1, 1 Sept., Jackson Co., JT, CC, CD, CK (E)
- COOPER'S HAWK -- 1, 20 Mar., Jackson Co., CC, JS, GM; 1, 23 & 31 May, Hickory, JM; 1, 4 June, Harrison Co., JT (R); 1, 2, 15 & 20 July, Newton Co., JM (R); 1 imm, 18 Aug., Logtown, JT, MP (R); 1, 10 Oct., Humphreys Co., MH (R); 1, 29 Nov., Attala Co., MH (R)
- RED-SHOULDERED HAWK -- pr at nest, 21 Apr., 1 young fledged by 2 June, Hancock Co., JT, m.ob.
- BROAD-WINGED HAWK -- 474, 25 Mar.-30 Apr. (270 on 14 Apr.), Vicksburg, JB (N); 100, 4 Apr., over Biloxi, GM (N); 1, 5 Apr., Choctaw Co., TS, MH (A); 5, 7 Apr., Starkville, DI; 2 imm, 17 July, Logtown, JT, CD; 909, (300 on 24 Sept.), 6 Sept.-11 Oct., Vicksburg, JB
- SWAINSON'S HAWK -- 1, 11 July, Kiln, NN, PN (R)
- RED-TAILED HAWK -- 6 nests, 3 fledging 7 young, Mar.-31 May, Bolivar Co., NH; 1 Harlan's type, 1 other dark phase, 14 Nov., Church Hill, GL (R)
- AMERICAN KESTREL -- 12, 1 Mar., Jackson Co., JT

- MERLIN -- 1 m, 7 Mar., Sardis Waterfowl Ref., MD (R); 1, 28 Apr., Jackson Co., CC, HC, CD; 2, 28 Sept., W. Hancock Co., JT, CC, GM; 1, 30 Sept., Port Bienville, JT; 1, 4 Oct., Seaman Rd. SL, JT, GM, MB; 1, 17 Oct., Ansley, MD, JT; 1, 11 Nov., Lafayette Co., GK (R); 1, 12 Nov., Kiln, TS
- PEREGRINE FALCON -- 1 ad, 24 Mar., Ansley, JT, CD (R); 1, 28 Apr., Harrison Co., GM (R); 1, 3 May, Sardis Dam Lower Lake, GK, MH, TS (R); 1, 12 Sept., Gulfport, JT, TS (E,R); 1, 23 Sept., Horn I., JT, CC, CD; 1 ad tundrius, 26 Sept., Rosedale, TS (R; seen eating shorebird); 1, 10 Oct., Ansley, JM, TS, JT (R); 1, 1 Nov., Humphreys Co., MH (1st county record)
- WILD TURKEY -- 2, 13 Mar., Hancock Co., CC, JP; 1 f, 4 June, Harrison Co., JT; 4 ad, 21 young, 19 July, Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS, MH; 14, 19 Sept., Logtown & Pearlington Woods, JT, GK, SK (N); 1, 23 Nov., Grenada Co., GK
- NORTHERN BOBWHITE -- 51, 31 May, Jackson Co. (D'Iberville BBS), JT (N)
- CLAPPER RAIL -- 22, 5 Apr., W. Pascagoula R. marsh, CD, JT; 60 calling, 5 May, Ansley marshes (by boat), JT, CD; 40 calling, 14 May, Bangs Lake (by boat), JT, CD
- KING RAIL -- 1 calling, 20 Dec., Grenada Co., MD, GK; 3 calling, 19 Feb., Lafayette Co., MD, GK; 2, 28 May, Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., MH, TS
- VIRGINIA RAIL -- 1, 3 Jan., 14 Mar., 4 May, Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS, MH (R)
- SORA -- 1 1st-winter, 27 Feb., Starkville, GG, MH; 40, 22 Apr., Jackson Co. (by boat), JT, CD, TH (N); 2, 4 May, Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS; 2, 14 May, Bangs Lake, JT, CD (D)
- AMERICAN COOT -- 6, 26 July, Laurel SL, TS (R); 2, 22 Sept., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- SANDHILL CRANE -- 1 ad, 1 imm, 13 Feb., near Grenada Airport, Grenada Co., GK et al. (R, 1st area record)
- CROWNED CRANE -- 2, 8 Sept., Kiln, SM (escaped exotics)
- BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER -- 100, 24 Mar., Lucky's Corner, JT, CD; 1 in alternate pl, 24 May, Lafayette Co., GK, SK, MD (R); 1, 14 Sept. & 16 Nov., Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., GK; 1, 27 Oct., Loakfoma Lake, TS (R)
- LESSER GOLDEN PLOVER -- 31, 9 Mar., Hancock Co., JT; 75, 18 Mar., 1000, 19 Mar., 175, 22 Mar., Bolivar Co., NH (N); 1, 18 Mar., 35, 30 Mar., 1, 1 May, Starkville, TS, MH; 60, 24 Mar., Lucky's Corner, JT; 5, 26 & 30 Mar., Lafayette Co., GK; 18, 2 April, Hickory, JM (numbers down); 6-15, 4-13 Apr., Sardis Waterfowl Ref., MD, GK, VT; 1 basic pl, 1 May, Starkville, TS, MH (L); 2, 4 Oct., Seaman Rd. SL, JT, m.ob. (R); 1-3, 13-24 Oct., Loakfoma Lake, TS (R); 1, 29 Oct.-30 Nov., Kiln, JT, m.ob. (R)

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- SNOWY PLOVER -- 4 (1 at nest scrape), 26 Mar., W. Ship I., JT, CD, MB; 2, 20 Aug., 8, 12 Sept., E. tip Horn I., JT, MB, CC, CD
- WILSON'S PLOVER -- 1 m, 1 f, 11 Mar., PRM, JT (A); 1 m, 1 f, 26 Mar., W. Ship I., JT, CD, MB; 1 m, 1 f, 14 Apr., Pass Christian beach, JT, MP (unusual location); 1 imm, 21 July, Greenwood I., JT, MP
- SEMIPALMATED PLOVER -- 10, 21 Apr., Kiln, 20, 22 Apr., Greenwood I., 30, 25 May, Kiln, JT, m.ob.; 3, 28 July, MS Hwy. 330 pond, GK, SK (E); 19, 29 July, Waveland beach, JT, GM, MB, MP; 1, 13 Aug., Loakfoma Lake, TS (A); 3, 17 Sept., Oktibbeha & Noxubee cos., TS (D)
- PIPING PLOVER -- 1 ad, 24 July, Sardis Dam Lower Lake, MD (R, 1st N. MS "fall" migrant record); 9, 3 Nov., Waveland beach, JT, MP (numbers down)
- KILLDEER -- 300+, 28 Feb., Bolivar Co., NH, JH (N); 85, 15 Nov., Humphreys Co., MH, JJ (N)
- AMERICAN OYSTERCATCHER -- 4, 13 Mar., Waveland beach, CC, JP; 2, 9 May, Waveland beach, JT, GM, m.ob.; 1 flying, 5 May, Heron Bay, Hancock Co., JT, CD; 2-4, 21-30 Nov., Waveland beach, JT, MB, MP, CC, m.ob. (unrecorded in Hancock Co. before 1985, regular since)
- BLACK-NECKED STILT -- numbers down, spring, due to habitat disturbance at PRM and Greenwood I., JT; 1, 3 July, Washington Co., TS (R); 30 (incl. 1 downy young), 21 July, Greenwood I., JT, MP (1st definite nesting at this locality); 4, 28 July, Seaman Rd. SL, MH, CD, JT (1st summer this locality; workers report nest destroyed by predator)
- AMERICAN AVOCET -- 2, 21 Feb., Lakeshore beach, Hancock Co., TS (R); 137, most in alternate pl, 21 Mar., 100, 13 Apr., PRM, JT, m.ob.; 1 in basic pl, 10 Oct., Morgan City, MH (R); 1, 19-20 Oct., Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., GK, SK (2nd area fall record); 2, 31 Oct.-1 Nov., Humphreys Co., MH (R)
- GREATER YELLOWLEGS -- 30, 13 July, 1, 14 July, MS Hwy. 330 pond, GK, SK, MD TE, beats previous area arrival by 10 days; 4, 17 Aug., Loakfoma Lake, TS (A)
- LESSER YELLOWLEGS -- 1, 4 July, 108, 13 July, 40, 14 July, MS Hwy 330 pond, MD, GK, SK (E,N); 3, 20 July, Starkville SL, MH (A); 1, 29 Oct., Loakfoma Lake, TS (D)
- SOLITARY SANDPIPER -- 1, 3 Mar., Seaman Road SL, GM, CC (A); 4, 24 Mar., Lucky's Corner, JT, CD; 1, 1 Apr., Starkville, BeJ, MH (A); 2, 8 Apr., Eagle Lake, GL; 1, 22 May & 1 June, Oxford SL, GK (L); 1, 4 July, MS Hwy. 330 pond, MD (earliest by 26 days for area); 1, 19 Sept., Oktibbeha Co., TS (D)

- WILLET -- 1, 9-11 July, Sardis Dam Lower Lake, MD, GK, SK (2nd area summer record, no fall records); 1, 17 Aug., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (2nd area record)
- SPOTTED SANDPIPER -- 1 ad, 3 June, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., JJ, MH (R, not known to breed); 1, 22 Sept., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)
- UPLAND SANDPIPER -- 1-2, 28-31 Mar., Hickory, JM (A, numbers down for 2nd year); 2, 30 Mar., 28, 15 Apr., 1, 1 May, Starkville, TS, MH, et al. (A,N,D); 1, 3 Apr., Broadwater Marina, Biloxi, JT, MB (R); 1, 15 Aug., Kiln, JT, CC, CD (R); 2, 23 Aug., Lafayette Co., GK, SK (R); 1, 1 Sept., Greenwood I., JT, CC, CD (R)
- WHIMBREL -- 1, 5 Apr., Pascagoula R. mouth, JT, CD; 2, 8 May, Greenwood I., JT, CD; 19, 14 May, E. Jackson Co. marshes (by boat), JT, CD; 2-3, 28 July, Bayou Cassotte, CD, MH, JT (1st July record); 1, 20 Aug., 3, 27 Sept., Greenwood I., CD (R)
- LONG-BILLED CURLEW -- 1, 28 July, marsh s. of Bayou Cassotte, JT (R, 1st July record)
- MARBLED GODWIT -- 1, 7 Mar.-3 Apr., Pascagoula beach, CD, JT, m.ob.; 1, 18 Aug., Waveland, JT, MP (A,R); 1, 13 Aug., Loakfoma Lake, TS, ES (1st area record)
- RED KNOT -- 78, 9 Mar., Gulfport beach, JT, CC, JD, GM; 4 in alternate pl, 13 Aug., Gulfport, MB (A); 27 in basic pl, 25 Nov., Gulfport, JT
- SANDERLING -- 1 alternate pl, 25 July, Gulfport beach, JT, TS (A); 1 ad, 3-4 Aug., Starkville SL, MH, TS (R); 2, 22 Aug., Rosedale, MH, TS (R); 4, 26 Sept., Rosedale, TS (R)
- SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER -- 3, 10 Sept., Starkville SL, TS (D)
- WESTERN SANDPIPER -- 1500, most in alternate pl, 13 Apr., PRM, JT, JP (N); 10, 17 July, Waveland beach, JT, CD (A); 1-3, 18-20 July, Sardis Dam Lower Lake, MD (earliest in area by 5 days); 19, 21 July, 1, 10 Sept., Starkville SL, TS (N,D)
- LEAST SANDPIPER -- 1, 6 Dec., Starkville SL, TS (L); 6, 13 July, MS Hwy. 330 pond, GK, SK (earliest area record by 10 days); 4, 17 July, Waveland beach, JT, CD (A); 1000+, 1 Nov., NW. Humphreys Co., MH (N)
- WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER -- 2, 28 Apr., Greenwood I., JT, MP (A); 1, 4 & 28 May, Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS, MH
- BAIRD'S SANDPIPER -- 3, 12 Sept., spoil i. in E. Pascagoula R., JT, CD, CC (R); 2, 26 Sept., Rosedale, TS (R); 1, 10 Oct., Morgan City, MH (1st county record)
- PECTORAL SANDPIPER -- 20-60, 5-24 Mar., Kiln, JT, CC, CD (A,N); 18, 13 July, MS Hwy. 330 pond, GK, SK (N, earliest in area by 10 days); 250, 25 Aug., Seaman Rd. SL, JT, CD (N); 1, 14 Nov., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS, ES (L)
- PURPLE SANDPIPER -- 1, 11-12 Nov., Kiln, JT, m.ob. (2nd state record, 1st documented record, photos)

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- DUNLIN -- 400, 24 Mar., Kiln, JT, CD (N); 35, 24 Oct., Loakfoma Lake, TS (A); several, 1 Nov., Newton Co., JM (1st county record)
- STILT SANDPIPER -- 3, 20 Dec., PRM, MH, TS (R); 2, 7 Mar., PRM, MH, JT (A); 200, half in alternate pl, 13 Apr., PRM, JT, JP; 1, 26 July, PRM, TS (A); 1, 2 Sept., MS Hwy. 330 pond, MD, GK; 1, 7 Sept., Starkville SL, TS (A); 21, 10 Oct., Humphreys Co., MH (N); 3, 20 Oct., Loakfoma Lake, TS (D)
- BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER -- 2, 2 Sept., Lafayette Co., GK, MD (R)
- SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER -- 3, 13 July, MS Hwy. 330 pond, GK, SK (1st area July record); 5, 24 July, Sardis Dam Lower Lake, MD; 1 ad hendersoni, 3 Aug., 1, 17 Sept., Starkville SL, TS (A,D); 100+, 28 Oct., Waveland beach, JT, GM
- LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER -- 1, 30 Sept., 1, 20 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A,D); 16, 19 Oct., Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., GK; 2, 24 Oct., 6, 25 Oct., Grenada Lake, Grenada Co., MD, GK; 60, 31 Oct.-1 Nov., NW. Humphreys Co., MH (N)
- Dowitcher species -- 200 (about 50/50 species ratio), 11 Mar., PRM, JT
- COMMON SNIPE -- 1, 11 Sept., Broadwater Marina, Biloxi, JT (A); 1, 16 Sept., Starkville SL, TS
- AMERICAN WOODCOCK -- 1-6, 28 Jan.-25 Feb., Lafayette Co., GK, SK (N); 1, 12 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS
- WILSON'S PHALAROPE -- 1 m, 1 Apr., Waveland SL, JT, CD (A, new to this location); 1 f in alternate pl, 2 basic pl, 28 Apr., Greenwood I., JT, MP (new to this location); 2, 26 July, PRM, TS (A); 1, 2 Sept., MS Hwy. 330 pond, MD, GK; 7, 19 Oct., Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., GK
- RED-NECKED PHALAROPE -- 1 basic pl, 15-19 Sept., Starkville SL, TS, m.ob. (2nd area record)
- RED PHALAROPE -- 1, 4 Oct., Seaman Rd. SL, JT, m.ob. (2nd coastal record, 5th state record; photos)
- LAUGHING GULL -- 1 ad, 18 & 24 Apr., Sardis Dam Lower Lake, MD (R); 1 downy chick, summer, picked up near Bayou Caddy, raised by WRANPS, DnH (R nester)
- FRANKLIN'S GULL -- 1-5, 2-17 Oct., Hancock Co. beaches, JT, MD, JM, m.ob. (R,E); 1 imm, 5 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (1st area record); 5 ad, 18 Nov., Sardis Dam Lower Lake, GK (R)
- BONAPARTE'S GULL -- 13 ad, 2 1st-winter pl, 10 Jan., Eagle Lake, JB, HM, m.ob. (2nd county record); 200+, 21 Feb., Grenada Lake, Grenada Co., SK, GK (N); 1 in alternate pl, 21-28 Feb., Grenada Lake, Grenada Co., SK, GK; 7, 4 Apr., Bolivar Co., NH (R); 1, 25 Oct., Seaman Rd. SL, JT (E); 2, 10 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)

RING-BILLED GULL -- 50, 21 Dec., Eagle Lake, GL; 3 ad, 5 June-July, Sardis Dam Lower Lake, MD, GK, SK (1st area summer record); 4, 22 Sept., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A); 80, 20 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (N)

HERRING GULL -- 1 imm, 28 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL -- 1 ad, 1 Dec.-21 Mar., Biloxi beach, JT, m.ob. (5th year); 1 ad, 28 Oct.-30 Nov., Harrison Co. beaches, JT, m.ob. (6th year)

GULL-BILLED TERN -- 4, 28 Mar., PRM, TS (A); 2, 29 Mar., Horn I., JT, CD, TS

CASPIAN TERN -- 1, 15 Apr., Sardis Dam Lower Lake, GK (R); 1, 26 July, Sardis Dam Lower Lake, GK, SK (R); 3, 18 Sept., Humphreys Co., MH (R)

SANDWICH TERN -- 8, 29 Mar., Horn & Round is., JT, CD, TS (A)

COMMON TERN -- 1 ad, 5 Mar., W. Pascagoula R., JT, CD (A); 1 1st-summer pl, 19 Mar., Waveland beach, JT (numbers down); 9 1st-summer pl, 20 Aug., 100 ad & 1st-summer pl, 23 Sept., E. tip Horn I., JT, CD, MB

FORSTER'S TERN -- 1, 21 Dec. & 28 Feb., Sardis Dam Lower Lake, MD (R); 3 in basic pl, 10 Jan., Eagle Lake, HM, JB, m.ob.; 1, 3 July, Lafayette Co., GK (R summer); 2, 30 Sept., Oktibbeha Co., TS (A); 34, 31 Oct., Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., GK, SK (N); 1, 28 Nov., Clay Co., TS (L); 1, 29 Nov., Humphreys Co., MH (L)

LEAST TERN -- 1, 23 May, Sardis Dam Lower Lake, MD, GK (R); 2, 23 May, 7, 31 May, Scott Plantation, Bolivar Co., NH; 1, 15 & 28 June, Sardis Dam Lower Lake, GK, SK (1st area summer records); 12 ad, 4 nests (2,2,2,1 eggs resp.), 3 July, Miss. R. at Rosedale, TS, TD; 1 imm, 3 Aug., 2 imm, 25 Aug., 1, 10 Sept., Starkville SL, TS (1st records for area)

BLACK TERN -- 1, 4 & 13 July, Calhoun Co., MD, GK (R); 25+, 13 July, Grenada Dam, DW (R,N); 11, 12 Aug., Oktibbeha Co., TS (A); 6000, 20 Aug., E. tip Horn I. & adjacent Gulf, JT, MB, CD (N); 1, 16 Sept., Starkville SL, TS (D); 4, 16 Nov., Jackson Co., JT, MB (L)

BLACK SKIMMER -- 60 nests, 4 June, Gulfport beach, JT, m.ob.

WHITE-WINGED DOVE -- 1, 16-21 Nov., Ocean Springs, CC, HC, m.ob.; 1, 21 Nov., Port Bienville, JT, MB, CC, MP (numbers down)

COMMON GROUND-DOVE -- 2-4, 2-10 Dec., Leflore Co., PB (R); 2, 18 Jan., Leflore Co., TS (R); 2, 8 Feb., Yazoo NWR, CK, PS (R); 1-2, 5, 9, 24 Mar., Port Bienville, JT, CD, m.ob.; 1, 13 Mar., 5 Apr., Hancock Co., CC, JP; 1, 27 Apr., Bellefontaine Beach, CC, HC; 1, 4 June, NW Hancock Co., JT (R); 1, 11 June, Lucky's Corner, JT (R); 1, 13 Sept., Humphreys Co., MH (1st county record); 5, 2 Oct., 8, 15 Oct., Hancock Co., JT, m.ob. (N); 1, 28 Oct., Greenwood I., CD, DRp

BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO -- 1, 20 Apr., Logtown, CC, JP, JDa (R);
1, 2 May, Lafayette Co., JT, MD, GK, SK, JuB (R)
YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO -- 1, 20 Sept., Webster Co., TS (D); 8,
26 Sept., Pascagoula R. WMA, CC, CD, DRp, JP
GROOVE-BILLED ANI -- 2, 5 Oct., Waveland SL, BJ, JT, AJ, CC
(A); 1, 11 Oct., Greenwood I., TS, JM; 9, 23 Oct., NW.
Harrison Co., DH (new state high N; previous high: 7); 2,
25 Oct., Greenwood I., CD; 4, 28 Oct., Greenwood I., DRp,
CD; 2-5, 19-30 Nov., Biloxi, MB
COMMON BARN-OWL -- 1-2, 16-26 Feb., Shaw, Bolivar Co., NH, HT
(R); 1-2, Mar.-9 May, Ansley, JT, m.ob.; 1, 22 July,
Pascagoula, CD; 2, 29 Sept., Ansley, JT, GM, MB, MP; 2,
12 Sept.-30 Nov., Ansley, JT, m.ob.
GREAT HORNED OWL -- nest with 2 young, 18 Mar., Scott, NH; 1,
19 Sept., Waveland SL, JT, GK, SK
SHORT-EARED OWL -- 1, 29 Dec., Ansley, MH, CD (R); 1-6, 6
Mar.-9 Apr., Oktibbeha Co., TS, MH, m.ob. (R,N); 2, 17
Nov., Oktibbeha Co., TS (R,A)
COMMON NIGHTHAWK -- 16, 31 May, D'Iberville BBS, Jackson Co.,
JT; 60, 7 Sept., Oxford, MD (N); 1, 11 Oct., Oxford, MD
(L)
Nighthawk species -- 1 (probably Common), 5, 8 & 9 Mar., Port
Bienville, JT, CK, m.ob. (E, may have wintered)
CHUCK-WILL'S-WIDOW -- 448 heard, 8-10 June, at 241 of 351 stops
along the Natchez Trace Parkway from Canton to the Ala. line
(194 mi), BC, LC (numbers down)
WHIP-POOR-WILL -- 48 heard, 8-10 June, at 44 of 351 stops along
the Natchez Trace Parkway from Canton to the Ala. line (194
mi), 1st WPW (going N) 1 mi S of Kosciusko, BC, LC (numbers
down)
CHIMNEY SWIFT -- 3, 22 Mar., Vicksburg, GL (A); 10, 8 Oct.,
Starkville, TS (D); 1, 9 Oct., Washington, GL (D)
BUFF-BELLIED HUMMINGBIRD -- 1, 26-30 Nov., Bay St. Louis, LS,
NN, JT, m.ob. (1st state record; photos)
RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD -- 1, 22 Mar., Vicksburg, GL (A);
100+, 31 May, Bolivar Co., NH (N---coming to feeders at
dusk); 2 f, 7 Oct., Washington, GL (D); 1-3 f/imm, 26-30
Nov., Bay St. Louis, LS, NN, JT, MH, m.ob. (L)
BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD -- 1 imm m, 26-27 Nov., Bay St.
Louis, LS, NN, JT, MH, m.ob. (1st state record; gorget
feather collected, placed in NN private collection; photos
gorget feather on file, MSU)
Selasphorus species -- 2, 2 Nov., Gulfport, JT, BF, MB
RED-HEADED WOODPECKER -- 1, 13 May, Washington Co., NH (numbers
down); 35 pairs, May-Aug., Starkville, DI (at least one-
third of pairs double-brooded)
RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER -- 20 pairs, Mar.-July, Starkville, DI
(about half of excavated cavities lost to starlings early in
season)

- YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER -- 1, 3 Apr., Starkville, DI (D); 1, 3 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A); 2, 4 Oct., Humphreys Co., MH (A)
- HAIRY WOODPECKER -- 1, 18 Apr., Hickory, JM (R)
- RED-COCKADED WOODPECKER -- 1, Apr., MSU campus, DI (R); 1 imm, 29 May, Desoto Nat. Forest, Jackson Co., JT
- OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER -- 1, 23 May, Lafayette Co., MD, GK (R); 1, 5 June, Lafayette Co., MD, GK (R,L); 1-2, 22 & 27 Aug., Logtown, JT, MB, GM, CC (R); 1, 31 Aug., Lafayette Co., GK, SK (R); 1, 6 Sept., Washington Co., MH, TS (R)
- EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE -- 10 calling, 29 May, Desoto Nat. Forest, Jackson Co., JT (N); 1, 17 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (D)
- YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER -- 1, 4 May, Gulfport, JT (R); 1, 16 Sept. & 9 Oct., E. Ship I., AK (R); 1, 3 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (R)
- ACADIAN FLYCATCHER -- 5, 7 Sept., Tibbee Creek bottoms, TS (D)
- LEAST FLYCATCHER -- 1, 6 & 13 Sept., 3, 16 Sept., 2, 20 & 24 Sept., 1, 4 & 9 Oct., E. Ship I., AK (R)
- Empidonax species -- 2 Traill's complex, 29 Apr., Biloxi, JT, GM
- EASTERN PHOEBE -- 1, 25 Oct., Washington, GL (A)
- VERMILION FLYCATCHER -- 1 ad, 25 Sept., E. Ship I., FM, DL, TdS (R,E); 1 ad m, 30 Sept., Waveland SL, JT, LS (R); 1 m, 1 f, 5-8 Nov., Liana, Harrison Co., JT, DK, GM, CC, m.ob.; 1 2nd-winter m, 21-30 Nov., Port Bienville, MB, JT, CC, MP, m.ob.
- GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER -- 2, 3 Sept., Starkville, TS (D)
- WESTERN KINGBIRD -- 1, 21 Apr., Ansley, TH, JT, et al. (1st coastal spring record); 1, 15 June, PRM, JT, CD (1st coastal summer record); 1, 29 Aug., Kiln, JT (A); 1, 28 & 30 Sept., Waveland SL, GM, m.ob. (numbers down-JT); 1, 31 Oct., Greenwood I., CC, MF, AD
- EASTERN KINGBIRD -- 1, 19 Sept., Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha Co., TS (D)
- GRAY KINGBIRD -- 1, 25 Oct., Greenwood I., CD (R,L)
- SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER -- 1 ad m, 1 Apr., Ansley, JT, CD (R); 1, 16 Apr., Eagle Lake, GL (R); 1, 27 Apr., Russellville, Yazoo Co., GL (R); 2, 3 May, Sunflower Co., NH, JH (R); 1, 19 Oct., Hickory, JM (R)
- PURPLE MARTIN -- 2, 30 Jan., Warren Co., MS (A,E); 2, 19 Sept., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (D); several, 12 Oct., Bolivar Co., NH, JH (L)
- TREE SWALLOW -- 10, 19 Sept., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A); 100-2000+, 23 Sept.-24 Oct., Bolivar Co., NH (N); 5, 10 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)
- NORTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW -- 3, 11 Mar., Seaman Rd. SL, JT (A); 5, 17 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (D)

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- BANK SWALLOW -- 2, 21 May, E. Ship I., JT, CD (D); 4, 25 Aug., Seaman Rd. SL, JT, CD (A, numbers down); 20, 2 Sept., Bolivar Co., NH
- CLIFF SWALLOW -- 6 24 Mar., 20 (going to nests), 24 May, U.S. Hwy. 90 Pearl R. bridge, JT; 20, 10 May, Arkabutla Dam, Desoto Co., BC, LC; 30, 10 May, Coldwater R. bridge, Desoto Co., BC, LC (prob. new colony); 8 pr, 2 June, U.S. Hwy. 90 Pearl R. bridge, Hancock Co., JT, MP; 8 ad, 3 young, 11 July, central Hancock Co. (new colony), NN, PN, JaB (R); 500, 2 Sept., 100, 23 Sept., Bolivar Co., NH (N)
- BARN SWALLOW -- 1, 18 Mar., Washington Co., NH (A); 1000+, 25 Aug., Bolivar Co., NH (N); 1, 25-30 Nov., Kiln, JT, m.ob. (L)
- FISH CROW -- 1, 16 Feb., Vicksburg, GL; 7, 21 Feb., Sardis Dam Lower Lake, MD; 2, 15 Mar., 1, 11 Apr., Lake Lowndes SP, Lowndes Co., TS (R)
- CAROLINA CHICKADEE -- 1 pair building nest, 19 Mar., Bolivar Co., NH
- RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH -- 1, 14 Dec., Grenada Lake, Yalobusha Co., MH, TS; 2, Dec.-Jan., Starkville, JJ, BeJ; 1, 24 Jan., Lafayette Co., MD, GK; 1, 29 Oct., Gulfport, JT
- WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH -- 1, 28 June, Claiborne Co., JB
- BROWN-HEADED NUTHATCH -- 1 building nest, 9 Mar., Hancock Co., JT, CC
- BROWN CREEPER -- 1, 5 Apr., Choctaw Co., MH, TS (D); 1, 7 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A); 3, 8 Oct., E. Ship I., AK (A); 1, 25 Oct., Washington, GL
- BEWICK'S WREN -- 1-2, 13 Dec.-13 Feb., Grenada Lake, Grenada Co., GK, SK, m.ob. (R); 1, 27 Dec., Lafayette Co., MD, GK, SK (R); 1, 13-14 Mar., Hickory, JM
- HOUSE WREN -- 2, 3 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A); 2, 1 Nov., Lowndes Co., TS (D)
- WINTER WREN -- 1, 2 & 9 Oct., E. Ship I., AK (E); 1, 4 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (E)
- SEDGE WREN -- 1-2, 20-23 Dec., Grenada Dam, MD, GK (R); 1, 14 Mar., Oktibbeha Co., TS; 1, 3 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (R); 1, 5 Oct., Kiln, JT, CC, AJ, BJ (A); 1, 20 Oct., Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., GK (R)
- MARSH WREN -- 1, 20-23 Dec., Grenada Dam, MD, GK (R); 196, 5-21 May, coastwide survey by boat, Hancock, Harrison & Jackson cos., JT, CD; 19 singing, 28 June, along E. Pascagoula R., JT, CD, MH (N); 1, 23 Sept., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET -- 2, 18 Apr., Davis Bayou, Ocean Springs, MH, JT, MP (D,L); 1, 10 Oct., Ansley, JT, TS, JM (A,E); 7, 18 Oct., E. Ship I., AK (N)
- RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET -- 1, 2 Sept., Biloxi, MB (E)
- BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER -- 10, 3 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)

EASTERN BLUEBIRD -- abundant, May, Bolivar & Washington cos., NH;
50+, 2 June, Hancock Co., JT, MP (N)

VEERY -- 11, 8 May, E. Ship I., AK (N); 10, 9 May, Ansley,
 JT, m.ob. (N); 2, 7 Sept., Tibbee Creek bottoms, TS

GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH -- 6, 24 Apr., E. Ship I., AK (N); 15, 9
 May, Ansley, JT, CR, m.ob. (N); 1, 5 Oct., Waveland SL,
 JT, BJ, AJ, CC (A)

SWAINSON'S THRUSH -- 20, 9 May, Ansley, JT, CR, m.ob.; 1, 3
 Sept., E. Ship I., AK (E); 1, 12 Sept., Logtown, TS (A,E)

HERMIT THRUSH -- 1, 9 Mar., Logtown, JT (D,E); 2, 24 Oct.,
 Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A)

WOOD THRUSH -- 1, 5 Apr., Jeff Busby Park, MH, TS (A); 15, 18
 Apr., Davis Bayou, Ocean Springs, MH, JT; 8, 9 May,
 Ansley, JT, CR, m.ob.; 1, 30 Sept., Starkville SL, TS (D)

Thrush species -- 50+, 9 May, Ansley, JT, CR, m.ob. (cold
 front)

AMERICAN ROBIN -- 19, 1 Nov., Church Hill, GL (A)

GRAY CATBIRD -- 1, 11 June, Hancock Co., JT (R summer)

WATER PIPIT -- 50, 5 Mar., Kiln, JT, CC (N); 1, 31 Oct.,
 Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A)

SPRAGUE'S PIPIT -- 1, 28 Feb., MS R. levee near Scott, Bolivar
 Co., NH, JH (R)

CEDAR WAXWING -- 35, 20 Dec., Vicksburg, GL; 500, 13 May,
 Bolivar Co., NH (N); 8, 5 Nov., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)

EUROPEAN STARLING -- 12,000, 6 Sept., Washington Co., MD (N)

WHITE-EYED VIREO -- 1, 20 Dec., Warren Co., JB (1st area winter
 record); 1, 4 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)

BELL'S VIREO -- 1 singing m., 29 Aug., Lafayette Co., GK, SK
 (R); 1, 27 Sept., E. Ship I., AK (R)

SOLITARY VIREO -- 1, 4 Oct., E. Ship I., AK (A)

YELLOW-THROATED VIREO -- 1, 26 Mar., E. Ship I., JT, CD, MB
 (late A); 1 singing, 2 June, near Kiln, JT, MP (R); 2
 singing, 4 June, near Saucier, JT; 2, 19 Sept., Noxubee &
 Oktibbeha cos., TS (D)

WARBLING VIREO -- 4, 18 Apr., Davis Bayou, Ocean Springs, JT,
 MH, MP (N); 6 singing, 3 July, Great River Rd. SP, Bolivar
 Co., TS; 1, 20 Sept., Webster Co., TS

PHILADELPHIA VIREO -- 1, 16 Sept., Waveland SL, CC, MB, GM
 (A,E); 1, 18 Sept., E. Ship I., AK; 2, 22 Sept., 1, 3
 Oct., Starkville, TS; 6, 4 Oct., E. Ship I., AK (N); 1,
 8 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., JM, MiS, PE, MH1

RED-EYED VIREO -- 40, 16 Apr., Hancock Co., JT; 1, 22 Sept.,
 Starkville, TS (D)

BLACK-WHISKERED VIREO -- 1, 30 Mar., Davis Bayou, Ocean
 Springs, CC, JS (R)

BLUE-WINGED WARBLER -- 2, 2 Sept., Noxubee & Oktibbeha cos., TS

GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER -- 1, 21 Apr., Buccaneer SP, TH, JT (A,
 R); 9, 22 Aug.-21 Sept., Hancock & Jackson cos., m.ob.
 (N); 1, 19 & 22 Sept., Starkville, TS

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"Lawrence's Warbler" hybrid -- 1 f, 22 Aug., Rosedale, TS, MH
 (may be 1st state record of this form)

TENNESSEE WARBLER -- 1, 20 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)

ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER -- 2, 10 Jan., Eagle Lake, GL, JTH, MHu;
 1, 17 Oct., Winston Co., TS (A)

NASHVILLE WARBLER -- 1, 29 Aug., Waveland SL, JT (R, A, E); 1
 f, 15 Sept., E. Ship I., AK; 1, 20 Sept., Eupora SL,
 Webster Co., TS; 1, 22 Sept., Starkville, TS; 1 imm m, 9
 Oct., Hickory, JM (R)

NORTHERN PARULA -- 1 f, 9 May, E. Ship I., AK (L migrant); 5,
 4 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D); 1, 7 Oct., Washington,
 GL (D)

YELLOW WARBLER -- 1 m, 27 May, Golden Triangle Airport, TS (L);
 1 imm, 15 July, Hickory, JM (E); 1, 3 Oct., Oktibbeha
 Co. Lake, TS (D)

CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER -- 1 f, 9 May, Ansley, JT, CR (L); 1,
 3 Sept., Starkville, TS (A); 2 imm, 3 Sept., Logtown, JT,
 MB (A, E); 1, 17 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (D)

MAGNOLIA WARBLER -- 40, 9 May, Ansley, JT, CR; 3, 31 Aug.,
 Starkville, TS (A); 1, 18 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)

CAPE MAY WARBLER -- 1-4, 3-7 May, E. Ship I., AK; 1, 30 Sept.
 & 4 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (R); 1 m, 8 Oct., Noxubee
 NWR, Noxubee Co., JM, MiS, PE (R); 1 ad f, 10-17 Oct.,
 Waveland SL, JT, TS, JM, MB, CS, MD, RR (R)

BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER -- 3, 3 May, 2, 5 May, E. Ship
 I., AK (N); 1 m, 15 Sept., E. Ship I., AK (R, E); 1-2 m,
 15-17 Oct., Waveland SL, JT, CS, MD, RR (R); 1, 18 & 23
 Oct., E. Ship I., AK (R)

YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER -- 30, 3 May, Lafayette & Panola cos.,
 TS, MH (N); 1 f, 6 May, Gulfport, JT (D); 2, 30 Sept.,
 Starkville, TS (A); 100's, 28 Nov., Washington Co., JH (N)

TOWNSEND'S WARBLER -- 1 imm, 15 Oct., Oxford, MD (probably 3rd
 state record)

BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER -- 1, 2 Sept., Oktibbeha Co. Lake,
 TS (A); 1, 10 Sept., Biloxi, MB (A, E); 2, 24 Oct.,
 Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (D)

BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER -- 1 f, 18 May, Starkville, MH (D); 1, 3
 & 18 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS

YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER -- 1, 4 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS
 (D)

GRACE'S WARBLER -- 1, 11 Sept., Oxford, SD (1st state record
 pending acceptance by MOSRC)

PRAIRIE WARBLER -- 46 singing, 29 May, DeSoto Nat. Forest,
 Harrison & Jackson cos., JT (increasing); 27 singing, 31
 May, D'Iberville BBS, Jackson Co., JT

PALM WARBLER -- 7, 29 Apr., Sardis Lake, Lafayette Co., MD;
 1, 2 May, E. Ship I., AK (D); 1, 3 May, Lafayette Co.,
 MH, TS (D); 1, 30 Sept., Starkville SL, TS (A); 100+, 4
 Oct., Seaman Rd. SL, JT, GM, MB (N)

BAY-BREASTED WARBLER -- 50, 9 May, Ansley, JT, CR; 2, 30 Sept., 1, 20 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A,D)

BLACKPOLL WARBLER -- 1 m, 15 Apr., E. Ship I., AK (A); 1 m, 26 Apr., Starkville, MH (A)

CERULEAN WARBLER -- 1 f, 3 Sept., Waveland SL, JT, MB (A)

BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER -- 12 f, 9 May, Ansley, JT, CR, m.ob.; 1 f, 28 June, Natchez Trace, Claiborne Co., JB (R); 40, 12 Sept., Hancock Co., JT, TS (N); 1, 18 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)

AMERICAN REDSTART -- 30, 9 May, Ansley, JT, CR, m.ob.; 1 f, 5 July, Pass Christian, JD (R summer); 1, 17 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (D)

PROTHONOTARY WARBLER -- 1, 7 Sept., Tibbee Creek bottoms, TS (D)

SWAINSON'S WARBLER -- 1, 8 May, E. Ship I., AK (L migrant); 1 singing, 29 June, Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha Co., TS (R)

OVENBIRD -- 2, 3 Oct., Oktibbeha Co., TS (A); 1, 17 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (D)

NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH -- 1, 19 Sept., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A); 1, 7 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)

KENTUCKY WARBLER -- 1, 7 Sept., Tibbee Creek bottoms, TS (D); 1, 17 Oct., Waveland SL, JT, MD (D,L)

MOURNING WARBLER -- 1, 11 Sept., E. Ship I., AK (R); 1, 15 & 28 Sept., Waveland SL, CC, JT, GM (R)

COMMON YELLOWTHROAT -- 18, 26 Apr., Church Hill, GL (1 f carrying nesting material)

HOODED WARBLER -- 1, 3 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS (D)

WILSON'S WARBLER -- 10, 12 Sept.-29 Oct., Hancock, Harrison & Jackson cos., JT, m.ob. (N); 1, 19 Sept., Starkville, TS

CANADA WARBLER -- 1, 9 May, Ansley, JT; 14, 1 Sept.-5 Oct., Hancock Co., m.ob.; 1, 3 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D); 1, 10 Oct., E. Ship I., AK (D)

PAINTED REDSTART -- 1 ad, 5 Oct., Waveland SL, JT, AJ, BJ, CC, LS (1st state record; details to be published)

YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT -- 52, 31 May, D'Iberville BBS, Jackson Co., JT (2nd most abundant bird on route); 40 singing, 2 June, Hancock Co., JT, MP; 35 singing, 7 June, Necaise BBS, Hancock & Harrison cos., JT; 1, 5 Sept., Noxubee NWR, Oktibbeha Co., TS (D)

SUMMER TANAGER -- 7 singing, 7 June, Necaise BBS, Hancock & Harrison cos., JT (N); 1, 4 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (D)

SCARLET TANAGER -- 1 pr, 28 May, Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., MH (1st prob. breeding in area); 4 singing m, 1 June, Noxubee NWR, Noxubee (1) & Winton (3) cos., TS; 3 singing m, June, Lafayette & Panola cos., GK, MD (N); 1, 20 Sept., Webster Co., TS

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK -- 1, 14 May, Starkville, MH (D); 1, 1 Oct., 2, 4 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS

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- BLUE GROSBEAK -- 18, 31 May, D'Iberville BBS, Jackson Co., JT (increasing); 15 singing, 2 June, Hancock Co., JT, MP (N); 3, 19 Sept., Oktibbeha Co., TS (D)
- INDIGO BUNTING -- 16 singing, 7 June, Necaise BBS, Hancock & Harrison cos., JT (N); 100's, 15-17 Oct., Kiln, JT, CS; 1, 1 Nov., Lowndes Co., TS (D)
- PAINTED BUNTING -- 3 singing, 24 May, Port Bienville, JT; 2 singing, 2 June, Port Bienville, JT, MP; 1 singing m, 16 May-4 July, Golden Triangle Airport, MH, TS (R); 1 singing m, 26 July, Bellefontaine Beach, TS (1st summer record for this locality); 1-6 juv, Aug.-1 Sept., Greenwood I., CD
- DICKCISSEL -- 1 m, 28 Apr., Greenwood I., JT, MP (A); 1 pair, f building nest, 4 May, Scott, NH; 8 m (singing), 15 May, Greenwood I., GM, MP (N); 1 imm m, 1 Sept., Greenwood I., JT (R,A); 1 f, 13 Oct., Kiln, JT, MB (R); 1 imm m, 27 Oct., Waveland SL, JT; 1 f, 1-5 Nov., Ocean Springs, HC, CC, m.ob.; 1, 7 Nov., Kiln, GM
- RUFOUS-SIDED TOWHEE -- 50+ singing, 2 June, Hancock Co., JT, MP (abundant breeder on coast)
- BACHMAN'S SPARROW -- 1, 14 Dec., Grenada airport, TS, MH (R); 2 singing, 5 Mar., Kiln, JT, CC; 52, 29 May, Red Creek WMA & Desoto Nat. Forest, Harrison & Jackson cos., JT; 2 singing, 6 June, Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS (R); 1 singing, 7 June, Walthall BBS, Calhoun Co., TS, MH (R)
- CHIPPING SPARROW -- 2, 15 Sept., Waveland SL, GM, CC, MB (E); 1, 11 Oct., Seaman Rd. SL, TS, JM (A); 100, 18 Oct., Bolivar Co., JH, NH (N)
- CLAY-COLORED SPARROW -- 1 ad, 24 Apr., Ansley, GM, JT, CD, CC (1st state spring record); 1, 5 Oct., Kiln, JT, AJ, CC, BJ (R,A)
- VESPER SPARROW -- 10, 11 Mar., near Seaman Rd. SL, JT (D); 1, 1 Nov., Golden Triangle Airport, TS (A)
- LARK SPARROW -- 1 ad, 26 Apr., Hickory, JM (R); 1 pr (seen copulating), 10 May, Monroe Co., MH (R); 1 singing, 3 June, Aberdeen BBS, Monroe Co., MH, TS (R); 1 m, 22 Aug., Pass Christian, JD, JT (R,A); 1, 11 Oct., Seaman Rd. SL, TS, JM
- SAVANNAH SPARROW -- 2, 24 Oct., Noxubee & Winston cos., TS (A)
- GRASSHOPPER SPARROW -- 1-6 singing, 16 May-4 July, Golden Triangle Airport, MH, TS (R); 1 ad, 21 Oct., Kiln, JT, CD, LS (A)
- LECONTE'S SPARROW -- 1, 14 Mar., Oktibbeha Co., TS
- SHARP-TAILED SPARROW -- 1, 26 Dec., 6, 29 Dec., Hancock Co. marshes, CD, MH, JT (from boat); 31, 5-14 May, coastwide by boat, Hancock, Harrison & Jackson cos., JT, CD (L)

- SEASIDE SPARROW -- 223, 5-21 May, coastwide by boat, Hancock, Harrison & Jackson cos., JT, CD; 4, 28 July, along E. Pascagoula R., MH, JT, CD; 91 (mostly imm), 28 July, Bayou Cassotte, JT, CD, MH (N); 15 (mostly imm), 1 Aug., Greenwood I., JT, CC, JDa (N)
- SONG SPARROW -- 1, 17 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A)
- LINCOLN'S SPARROW -- 1, 29 Apr. & 3 May, Lafayette Co., MD (R); 1, 1 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (R,E); 1, 9, 19 & 23 Oct., E. Ship I., AK (R); 1, 25 Oct., Humphreys Co., MH (R)
- SWAMP SPARROW -- 1, 5 May, Campbell I., Hancock Co., JT, CD (D); 1, 25 Sept., N. Jackson Co., JT, MP (E); 1, 12 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A)
- WHITE-THROATED SPARROW -- 1, 26 Apr., Church Hill, GL (D); 1, 17 Oct., Winston Co., TS (A)
- WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW -- 12, 3 Feb., Warren Co., GL, MaB; 1, 29 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A); 1 imm, 5 Nov., Hickory, JM
- DARK-EYED JUNCO -- 1, 3 Oct., Winston Co., TS (E); 1, 21 Oct., Kiln, JT, CD, LS (E)
- LAPLAND LONGSPUR -- 4, 9 Dec., 1, 25 Jan., Lafayette Co., GK, 1, 20 Dec., PRM, MH, TS (R); 1 imm, 11 Jan., Kiln, TS (R); 1 ad m in basic pl, 28 Nov., Starkville, TS (1st area record); 20+, 29 Nov., Humphreys Co., MH (A)
- BOBOLINK -- 40, 28 Apr. & 8 May, Greenwood I., JT, m.ob. (N); 20, 4 May, Bolivar Co., NH; 44, 10 May, Monroe Co., MH (N)
- YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD -- 1 f, 24 May, Lafayette Co., MD, GK, SK (R); 1 imm m, 21 Sept., Kiln, CC, MB, JT (R); 1 imm m, 25 Oct., Waveland SL, DC, GO
- RUSTY BLACKBIRD -- 1, 15 Nov., Kiln, JT (A); 2, 29 Oct., Noxubee NWR, Noxubee Co., TS (A)
- BREWER'S BLACKBIRD -- 12, 21 Dec., Eagle Lake, GL
- BRONZED COWBIRD -- 2 m, 24 May, 1 m, 1 f, 26 May, SW. Hancock Co., JT, CC, CD, JP (R, 3rd season at this location, photos)
- ORCHARD ORIOLE -- 18 singing, 2 June, Hancock Co., JT, MP
- NORTHERN ORIOLE -- 1, 19 Sept., Starkville SL, TS (D)
- PURPLE FINCH -- 1, 3 Dec., Warren Co., HM (A)
- HOUSE FINCH -- 1 singing m, 25 Apr., Starkville, TS (R); 1 f, 20 June-17 July, Oxford, SD, MD; 1, 10 Nov., Starkville, TS; 1 m, 1 f, 22 Nov., Sumner, Tallahatchie Co., MW (R); 1 f, 24 Nov., Washington, GL (R); 1 m, 28 Nov., Oxford, MD, SD (R)
- PINE SISKIN -- 50-80, 25 Jan.-8 Mar., Oxford, MD, SD; 2, 2 Feb., Vicksburg, JB (A); 2, 7 May, Starkville, TS (D); 1, 18 Oct., Oktibbeha Co. Lake, TS (A); 12, 3 Nov., Hickory, JM (R)

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AMERICAN GOLDFINCH -- 3 m, 9 imm, 24 Aug.-10 Sept., Lafayette Co., GK, SK (suggests Tocal breeding)
EVENING GROSBEAK -- 40, 7 Dec., Noxubee NWR, Winston Co., TS, MH (A); 100's, Tate Dec.-Feb., Starkville, JJ, BeJ; 60+, 18 Feb., Oxford, MD (N); 2, 21 Apr., Long Beach, fide JT; 3, 29 Apr., Starkville, TS (D); 1 m, 5-7 May, Diamondhead, Hancock Co., DH (L)

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