# **Forty-eighth Breeding Bird Census**

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THIS YEAR, 127 Breeding Bird Censuses were submitted, representing thirty-one states and provinces, with Pennsylvania (26), California (10), and Colorado (10) having the highest numbers. Of the censuses listed here, 32 (25.2%) are new, and the longest-standing census was that of A. H. Claugus, of Licking County, Ohio (Census No. 70), now in its 46th year.

A total of 168 observers, spending 4125 hours in the field, censused 1611.3 hectares (3981.5 acres). The highest number of hours spent on any one census was 390, although apparently this total included a large block of time not actually within the breeding season. The average size of census blocks was 12.6 hectares, with a range of from 2.6 to 64.8. The number of pairs censused per square kilometer ranged from 36 to 3213, and averaged 574. The total number of species found per census ranged from three to 48, averaging 21.1.

The data compiled in the censuses listed in the table below are being stored in a computer at the Laboratory of Ornithology at Cornell University. Requests for information on how to obtain these data should be directed to: Gregory S. Butcher, Cooperative Research Program, Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology, 159 Sapsucker Woods Road, Ithaca, New York 14850 (Tel. 607/256-4999).

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	Habitat	Province	Hectares	sq. km.	Obs.	Species	Study	Contributors
Eas	tern—Deciduous Forest							
1	Second-growth Hardwood	Litchfield, CT	10.1	998	15	42	18	Magee
	Forest							-
2	Mixed Upland Forest	Ulster, NY	42.3	250	34	48	4	S. Wright
3	OakRidgetop Forest	Ulster, NY	32.2	212	16	32	1	S. Wright
4	Suburban Bird Sanctuary	Nassau, NY	4.3	886	19	21	2	Kolodnicki
5	Aspen (Cut 1980-81)	Centre, PA	4.2	204	6	13	3	Yahner
6	Aspen (Cut 1976-77)	Centre, PA	4.0	709	6	12	3	Yahner
7	Aspen (Cut 1976-77)	Centre, PA	3.3	345	5	11	3	Yahner
8	Mature Aspen (Treated	Centre, PA	2.6	383	5	13	3	Yahner
Ũ	Sector)							
0	Mature Mixed Oak	Centre, PA	3.2	293	4	14	3	Yahner
	(Treated Sector)	Centre, 174	5.2	275			5	i dimer
10	Mature Aspen	Centre, PA	3.0	250	5	11	3	Yahner
10		Centre, FA	5.0	230	5	11	J	1 annei
11	(Untreated Sector)	Cantra DA	15.0	460	12	18	1	Volumer U. Smith A. Wrig
	Red Maple—Oak Forest	Centre, PA					1	Yahner, H. Smith, A. Wrig
12	Red Maple-Oak Forest	Centre, PA	15.0	420	11	19	1	Yahner, H. Smith, A. Wrig
13	Red Maple—Oak Forest	Centre, PA	15.0	263	11	16	1	Yahner, H. Smith, A. Wrig
14	Red Maple—Oak Forest	Centre, PA	15.0	424		18	1	Yahner, H. Smith, A. Wrig
15	Mixed Deciduous Forest	Huntingdon, PA	15.0	287	14	20	1	Yahner, H. Smith, A. Wrig
16	Mixed Deciduous Forest	Huntingdon, PA	15.0	180	12	13	1	Yahner, H. Smith, A. Wrig
17	Mixed Deciduous Forest	Huntingdon, PA	15.0	143	12	17	1	Yahner, H. Smith, A. Wrig
18	Mixed Deciduous Forest	Huntingdon, PA	15.0	213	12	20	1	Yahner, H. Smith, A. Wrig
19	Mountain Top, Oak-Maple	Westmoreland, PA	6.1	469	6	18	6	R. Abbott
	Forest Oak—Maple Ridgetop	Berks, PA	19.3	127	19	12	3	Senner, Loder, Benz
	Forest	,		+				
21	Oak—Maple Slope Forest	Berks, PA	16.9	106	19	17	3	Benz, Matz, Senner
	Sugar Maple—Mixed	Washington, PA	9.7	790	28	28	3	Ickes
22	Hardwood Forest	washington, 174	2.1	170	20	20	5	ickes
23	Mature Deciduous	Montgomery, MD	7.6	890	55	23	32	Eliot, Thompson, Gauthey
25		Montgomery, MD	7.0	090	55	25	32	Enot, Thompson, Gauthey
24	Floodplain Forest	Washington DC	14.0	1305	204	21	26	Brians * Cash D'Immonia
24	Mixed Upland Habitat	Washington, DC	14.2	1285	206	31	26	Briggs,* Cash, D'Imperio,
25		A	12 5	505	25	20	-	Feather, Holbrook, Hunt, Hu
25	Oak—Hickory—Tulip-	Amherst, VA	13.5	505	25	20	5	Patteson, Shedd, Edwards*
•	tree Forest	<b>F</b> · A						
26	Upland Oak—Hickory	Fairfax, VA	11.0	813	74	22	12	Espenshade, Guisti, Per-Lee
	Forest							Strong, Watson*
27	Beech—Birch—Maple	Randolph, WV	6.1	321	9	14	1	Brooks Bird Club
28	Maple—Beech—Birch	Tucker-Grant, WV	6.1	206	8	11	1	Brooks Bird Club
29	Maple—Birch—Beech	Tucker, WV	6.1	338	6	16	1	Brooks Bird Club
30	Oak-Maple-Basswood	Randolph, WV	6.1	255	14	12	1	Brooks Bird Club
31	Oak—Tulip-tree—Beech	Wyoming, WV	6.1	478	13	24	1	Brooks Bird Club
	Floodplain Forest	Orange, NC	13.0	839	22	32	8	Hall, Mueller,* Mueller,*
	-	-						Piper, Wiley
33	Mixed Deciduous Forest	Orange, NC	12.6	642	19	30	9	Hall, Mueller,* Mueller,*
							-	Piper, Wiley
34	Virgin Hardwood Swamp	Dorchester, SC	8.9	1741	15	26	4	Brunswig
54	Forest	Loreneswi, SC	0.2		15	20	-7	
35	Wooded City Ravine	York, ONT	20.0	210	16.	16	15	Nasmith
	Moist Deciduous Forest		20.0	210	10. 19	16	2	Francke
		Midland, MI						
51	Mixed Deciduous Second-	Cook, IL	29.1	604	91	32	2	Byre
20	growth Floodplain Forest	7 . I TT		677		~1	4	
	Oak—Hickory Forest	Lake, IL	9.1	577	11	21	4	Hickman
	Neotoma Valley	Hocking, OH	20.2	435	70	32	7	Claugus
	stern—Coniferous—Deciduous							
40.	Climax Hemlock—White	Litchfield, CT	10.5	1036	13	- 37	18	Magee
	Pine Forest, with							
	Transition Hardwoods							
	Maple—Pine—Oak Second-	Norfolk, MA	11.8	474	13	23	8	Davis
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41.								
	growth Forest	Hamilton NV	23.0	427	53	23	4	Droege Schwartz Noon
	growth Forest Beech—Spruce—Hemlock	Hamilton, NY	23.9	427	53	23	4	Droege, Schwartz, Noon
	growth Forest	Hamilton, NY	23.9 23.9	427 507	53 54	23 22	4 (1983) 5	

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	Habitat	Province	Hectares	•	Obs.	Species	Study	Contributors
43.	Beech—Spruce—Maple Forest	Essex, NY	19.4	495	50	23	4 (1983)	Droege, Schwartz, Noon
			19.4	547	47	23	5 (1984)	Droege, Billing, Noon
44.	Upland Mixed Pine— Spruce—Hardwood Planta- tion	Allegany, NY	16.6	440	16	32	11	Brooks
45.	Mixed Oak—Pine Forest I	Luzerne, PA	6.0	818.	48	27	8	Gross
	Mixed Oak-Pine Forest II	Luzerne, PA	11.1	588	55	36	8	Gross
47.	Mixed Hardwood Forest	Calvert, MD	11.3	830	21	48	20	Fales
48.	Central Hardwood Forest with Scattered Pine	Washington, DC	26.3	253	63	24	25	Criswell,* Czaplak, DeMarc Ford
49.	Hemlock—Tulip-tree	Wyoming, WV	6.1	511	10	17	1	Brooks Bird Club
	Oak—Tulip-tree— Hemlock	Wyoming, WV	6.1	329	8	12	1	Brooks Bird Club
51.	Longleaf Pine—Turkey Oak Sandhills	Hoke, NC	12.8	583	16	33	1	Lee
. Eas	stern Coniferous							
	Red Pine Plantation	Litchfield, CT	8.5	1065	13	35	• 7	Magee
	Upland Christmas Tree Farm	Allegany, NY	10.7	420	16	21	2	Brooks
54.	Upland Scotch Pine Plantation	Allegany, NY	9.3	688	16	24 .	16	Brooks
55	Jack Pine Plantation	Oscoda, MI	14.6	99	19	13	1	Rakstad, Probst
	Red Pine Plantation	Oscoda, MI	9.8	36	11	6	ī	Rakstad, Probst
	Red Pine Plantation	Oscoda, MI	18.3	150	18	18	1	Rakstad, Probst
	stern—Mixed Habitat	000000, 111	10.0	100	10	10	•	Tundud, 1100st
	Mixed Upland Habitat and Swamp	Fairfield, CT	14.2	169	7	30	17	Barkman
59.	Oak—Hemlock Forest, Transition Forest and	New London, CT	23.1	609	67	37	14	Askins, Philbrick, Sugeno
	Thicket		6.5	622	0,	28	14	
60.	Upland Brushy Pasture	Litchfield, CT	8.5	1394	17	39	18	Magee
	Abandoned Upland Pasture	Allegany, NY	8.0	1969	41	31	1	Pitzrick
	Deciduous Forest with	Bergen, NJ	16.2	290	8	27	21	Bristow, Bristow, France,
•=•	Pond and Brook	2018011, 1 1	10.2	_,,,	0			Sjolander, White, Brotherton
63.	Abandoned Pasture with Stream Ravines and Pine	Erie, PA	8.5	1041	66	44	1	Howlett
64.	Plantation Laurel Summit Glade, Mountain Top Bog with Mixed Hardwood and Evergreen Edge	Westmoreland, PA	6.1	577	4	22	6	R. Abbott
65.	Mountain Top, Mixed Hardwood and White Pine Forest	Westmoreland, PA	6.1	552	6	18	6	R. Abbott
66	Spruce—Laurel Bog	Randolph, WV	6.1	560	18	21	1	Brooks Bird Club
	Abandoned Pasture Scrubland	Ottawa, ONT	9.0	611	18	27	3	Silieff
68.	Mixed Hardwood— Agriculture	Wellington, ONT	4.4	822	16	8	1	Kevan
<b>69</b> .	Transitional Mixed Forest—Field	Simcoe, ONT	6.0	700	20	17	5	Dietz, Mills
70.	Disturbed Oak—Hickory Forest, Pine Stand, Edge, and Pond	Licking, OH	14.2	579	22	38	46	Claugus
71.	Deciduous Clearcut	Washington, TN	20.2	551	11	23	10	Lewis
	Mixed Mesophytic Woods, Fields, and Brush	Putnam, TN	27.0	378	60	38	8	Simmers
73.	Brushy Old Field with Hedgerows	Wayne, IN	4.3	762	9	14	2	Miller, Young
74.	Mixed Habitat Second- growth and Old Field	Wayne, IN	11.1	620	14	27	2	Miller, Young
	itral—Prairie							
Cer	··· ··· —· · · · · ···		12.1	338	16	12	9	Birkenholz, Bross
	Restored Tall Grass Prairie	McLean, IL	12.1	550	10	12	-	
75.	Restored Tall Grass Prairie Tall Grass Prairie I	Dickinson, IA	12.1	275	23	12	3	Lowther

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Habitat	Co.; State or Province	Hectares	Pairs/ sq. km.	Hrs. Obs.	Species	Years of Study	Contributors	
78. Tall Grass Prairie II	Dickinson, IA	44.8	268	40	20	3	Lowther	Contraction of the
79. Kentucky Blue Grass Prairie	Stutsman, ND	4.8	227	3	10	13	Eldridge, D. Johnson	
80. Mixed Prairie I	Stutsman, ND	10.0	310	8	18	13	Eldridge, D. Johnson	
81. Mixed Prairie II	Stutsman, ND	6.1	131	3	8	13	Eldridge, D. Johnson	
82. Mixed Prairie III	Stutsman, ND	6.1	107	4	10	13	Eldridge, D. Johnson	
83. Mixed Prairie IV	Stutsman, ND	6.1	139	5	13	13	Eldridge, D. Johnson	
84. Mixed Prairie V	Stutsman, ND	6.1	107	4	6	13	Eldridge, D. Johnson	
F. Central—Disturbed Habitat							e v	
85. Improved Pasture and Oak—Pine Forest	Delaware, OK	9.1	610	30	29	6	Baumgartner	
86. Oak—Pine Ravine Forest with Clearings	Delaware, OK	7.4	810	32	21	6	Baumgartner	
G. Central-Deciduous								
87. River Bottom Forest	MAN	14.0	471	21	20	8	Koonz	
<ol> <li>Deciduous Floodplain Forest</li> </ol>	Delaware, OK	6.7	1474	46	24	6	Baumgartner, Elert	
H. Western-Deciduous								
89. Scrub Oak—Mountain Mahogany Woodland	El Paso, CO	8.0	294 <sup>·</sup>	33	13	5	F. Abbott, Byers, Van	Horn*
90. Canyon Floor Dominated by White Alder Woodland	San Bernardino, CA	13.8	2097	38	48	1	Kramer, Zembal	
<ol> <li>91. Narrow Riparian Belt through Boulder-strewn Floodplain</li> </ol>	San Bernardino, CA	16.2	1106	28	45	1	Kramer, Zembal	
I. Western-Coniferous								
92. Douglas Fir—Ponderosa Pine Forest	El Paso, CO	7.5	624	16	15	3	Van Horn	
93. Ponderosa Pine Forest	Boulder, CO	8.1	334	37	8	16	Hering	
94. Lodgepole Pine—Mixed Coniferous Forest	Clark, WA	9.3	296	10	12	3	D. Anderson	

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Australia/New Zealand: 28 days, 2/9, 10/5 • New Zealand/Milford Track: 22 days, 2/8, 11/15 • Papua New Guinea: 24 days, 5/18, 8/10, 11/2 • Australia: 35 days, 9/6.

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Habitat	Co.; State or Province	Hectares	Pairs/ sq. km.	Hrs. Obs.	Species	Years of Study	Contributors
95. Burned Pine—Fir Forest	Sierra-Nevada, CA	8.5	331	40	25	4	Yoder-Williams, Liverman, With
96. Mature Pine-Fir Forest	Nevada, CA	8.5	408	39	18	4	With Yoder-Williams, Liverman, With
Western—Coniferous—Deciduous	(Mixed)						vv itti
97. Burned Open Oak—Madrean Evergreen Woodland	Pima, AZ	29.0	155	34	22	1	Caprio
98. Riparian Woodland—Live Oak—Juniper	Cochise, AZ	9.1	2070	91	34	6	Barker
99. Mendocino Cypress— Bolander's Pine—Pygmy Forest I	Mendocino, CA	10.0	600	57	14	1	Huntley
100. Mendocino Cypress— Bolander's Pine—Pygmy	Mendocino, CA	10.0	585	54	22	1	Huntley
Forest II . Western—Mixed Habitat							
101. Alpine Willow Carr,	Boulder, CO	10.0	280	11	6	1	Hallock
Meadow, and Krummolz							
102. Montane Mesic Willow Carr	Boulder, CO	13.0	1409	47	23	2	Figgs
103. Montane Mesic Willow Carr	Boulder, CO	3.8	1875	36	20	2	Gelles Weins sield W
104. Mountain Meadow and Open Coniferous Forest	Boulder, CO	13.0	506	50	30	4	Stiles-Wainwright, Wainwrig
105. Open Aspen Grove— Scattered Conifers	Larimer, CO	14.0	457	38	29	6	Alles
106. Mixed Mountain Bottomland	BC	6.4	1063	15	23	3	Gyug
107. Scattered Mixed Coniferous Forest in Subalpine Meadows and Spruce Bogs	Grant, OR	32.4	86	20	11	12	Hudson
Western—Desert and Scrub							
108. Bajada Desert Scrub	Pima, AZ	8.1	562	15	15	1	Tweit, Tweit
109. Coastal Scrub	Marin, CA	8.1	624	245	24	12	Geupel, Moholt, Depkin
110. Disturbed Coastal Scrub A	Marin, CA	4.7	533	184	24	12	Geupel, Brody, Meyer
111. Disturbed Coastal Scrub B	Marin, CA	8.1	531	244	21	13	Geupel, Cross
I. Wetlands		0.1	<i></i>		10	10	
112. Shrubby Swamp and Sedge Hummocks	Litchfield, CT	8.1	544	15	10	18	Magee
113. Gulf Coast Salt Marsh	Levy, FL Borrion MI	20.0 8.5	360 235	390 8	3	5 9	McDonald Mulling Mulling
114. Tamarack Bog and Hardwood 115. Wetland Sedge Meadow I	Berrien, MI Hall, NE	16.2	195	6	16 9	4	Mullins, Mullins Lingle, Labedz
116. Wetland Sedge Meadow I	Hall, NE	16.2	216	7	10	3	Lingle, Labedz
117. Bulrush and Cat-tail Marsh in Conifer Forest	Lake, MT	40.5	356	25	41	10	Bishop
118. Desert Riparian—Fresh- water Marsh and Ponds	San Bernardino, CA	15.4	1437	23	36	8	Cardiff, Kniffen, Kniffen, Kniffen
. Fields and Cultivated Areas	Luzoma DA	6.0	1160	40	20	7	Cross
119. Abandoned Field I 120. Abandoned Field II	Luzerne, PA Luzerne, PA	6.0 4.3	1169 797	48 34	29 19	7 6	Gross Gross
120. Abandoned Field II	Washington, PA	4.3 6.4	573	54 28	19	2	Lawrence
122. Mixed Agricultural and Old Field	Wayne, IN	6.6	121	28 5	5	$\frac{2}{2}$	Miller, Young
123. Subirrigated Grassland	Hall, NE	16.2	71	4	6	4	Lingle, Labedz
124. Subirrigated Native Hay	Hall, NE	16.2	133	6	9	4	Lingle, Labedz
. Residential			•				
125. Village	Wyandot, OH	15.5	355	40	12	1	Claugus
126. Suburban College Campus	Jefferson, CO	18.3	350	14	12	2	Hayes
Late Report 127. Floodplain Cottonwood Forest	Jefferson, CO	9.7	3213	12	7	13	Kingery

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