

RTWBC / NYSOA Annual Waterfowl Count DUTCHESS COUNTY	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
Snow Goose	1																		1		
Greater White-fronted Goose																					
Pink-footed Goose																					
Brant																					
Cackling Goose																					
Canada Goose								3					502	6	1000	512		61	107	350	4481
Mute Swan																					14
Tundra Swan																					
Wood Duck		1	1	1	1	1		1					2				1	1	2	1	2
Blue-winged Teal								1													
Northern Shoveler																					
Gadwall																					
American Wigeon																					
Mallard	127	174	6	105	456	233	204	759	514	420	1864	406	713	574	243	551		941	422	653	519
American Black Duck	104	115	93		126	166	244	122	39	219	431	88	89	137	18	65	16	141	34	35	205
Mallard x Black																					
Northern Pintail					2			3						1	1	1					
Green-winged Teal	1			1		1		1			3						3				
Canvasback								14			2		13			371	35				314
Redhead								1													
Ring-necked Duck													9			12			1		1
Greater Scaup																					
Lesser Scaup																					
Scaup sp.													1		1						
Harlequin Duck																					
White-winged Scoter																					
Long-tailed Duck																					
Bufflehead										1			2								1
Common Goldeneye								4					18					6	2		
Barrow's Goldeneye																					
Hooded Merganser																					1
Common Merganser		96	18	8				9	2				45	3			10	84	31	43	29
Red-breasted Merganser																		5			3
Ruddy Duck								3													
Pied-billed Grebe		1						3								4					1
Horned Grebe																1			1		
American Coot							20	15					75			4	2				15
Common Loon																			1		
Great Cormorant																					
Double-crested Cormorant																					
Unidentified																					
Total without Canada Goose	233	387	118	115	585	401	468	936	555	640	2300	494	967	715	263	1009	67	1178	495	733	1104
Total Birds Count Day	233	387	118	115	585	401	468	939	555	640	2300	494	1469	721	1263	1521	67	1239	602	1083	5585
Total Species Count Day	4	5	4	4	4	4	3	14	3	3	4	2	10	5	4	9	6	7	10	6	12
Count Week Species																					
Number of Birders	19	19	18	2	9	2	9	15	6	9	10	12	7	8	10	12	?	9	16	?	17
NYSOA Count Period (Jan.)																					
Date of RTWBC Count	17	15	14	13	18	10	15	15	14	11	17	16	15	14	12-20	12	17	9	15	12	21

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Snow Goose					5				22	1	20	2	1			1	154	8	1	1	
Greater White-fronted Goose			1														2				
Pink-footed Goose																					
Brant								84													
Cackling Goose																					
Canada Goose	1261	2	4382	77	8676	3086	2465	620	8141	4215	9919	7635	8083	1063	7597	3843	17877	12101	5946	9700	3326
Mute Swan			14	15	63	45	57	78	46	120	245	62	133	44	82	26	60	78	91	90	42
Tundra Swan																					
Wood Duck	1	1						1	1			4				1	4		1		1
Blue-winged Teal																					
Northern Shoveler	1														1						
Gadwall																		2			
American Wigeon									1		1								1	5	1
Mallard	753	417	528	767	996	1042	785	1067	686	1488	1011	1339	1166	843	1848	1746	1203	1642	1411	2080	1763
American Black Duck	144	43	143	95	185	86	146	244	246	216	100	659	422	88	187	332	113	138	77	184	104
Mallard x Black																					
Northern Pintail							1	4	6	5	2	3					2	1	1	4	4
Green-winged Teal										1			2							7	2
Canvasback	5		52			248	23	4	707	31	129	2	2946		54	14	75	14	353	210	
Redhead																					1
Ring-necked Duck			1	3	5		3	47	27	53	44	51	92	33	331	55	103	157	172	202	
Greater Scaup																					
Lesser Scaup																					
Scaup sp.					3				1		1										
Harlequin Duck																					
White-winged Scoter																					
Long-tailed Duck																			2		
Bufflehead						1	1		1					5		2	6	4			
Common Goldeneye	4			1			6	10	4		11		77	5	5		10	35	4		9
Barrow's Goldeneye																					
Hooded Merganser													1			2	2	6	1	4	4
Common Merganser	24	1	52	9	313	1690	36	130	468	1641	365	363	376	60	341	187	187	398	152	552	140
Red-breasted Merganser							6														
Ruddy Duck				1										1			58	12	72	118	
Pied-billed Grebe												2			1	1	1	3	3	6	
Horned Grebe																			4		
American Coot								3		4	27	76	50	52	328	30	132	234	327	226	80
Common Loon												1							1		
Great Cormorant																					
Double-crested Cormorant								1	1								1				
Unidentified																					
Total without Canada Goose	932	462	791	891	1570	3112	1064	1673	2217	3560	1956	2564	5266	1131	3178	2397	2113	2732	2674	3690	2150
Total Birds Count Day	2193	464	5173	968	10246	6198	3529	2293	10358	7775	11875	10199	13349	2194	10775	6240	19990	14833	8620	13390	5476
Total Species Count Day	8	5	8	8	7	7	11	13	14	11	12	13	12	10	11	13	18	16	19	16	12
Count Week Species																					
Number of Birders	9	11	10	12	10	14	10	14	15	16	16	15	16	13	16	?	21	21	14	17	16
NYSOA Count Period (Jan.)												11-19	16-24	15-16	14-21	13-21	11-18	10-18	16-24	15-22	13-21
Date of RTWBC Count	10	17	15-18	15	13	11	10-11	10	14												

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Snow Goose	3	2	6	1				2	4	1	5	1			4	3		1	10		5	
Greater White-fronted Goose			2				1					1						1				
Pink-footed Goose																						1
Brant											2											10
Cackling Goose													1			2	2	2	cw	1	1	2
Canada Goose	22422	6219	16226	5934	8729	12481	5575	4523	6641	4599	20513	10320	9861	8292	14474	10475	4029	10193	7167	7540	9803	9965
Mute Swan	126	74	46	44	21	68	36	26	20	10	59	41	23	48	37	28	24	52	39	46	57	43
Tundra Swan																						1
Wood Duck	13	2	5	3	1	2	1		11	2	1				5	1			cw	8	1	
Blue-winged Teal	1					9								1								
Northern Shoveler												3										
Gadwall		4				4			2		8	4	2		3							
American Wigeon	2						1	1							1							cw
Mallard	2118	1974	2146	1585	1515	1356	1700	1524	1922	1684	1481	1744	2617	2213	2769	1115	1552	1475	1282	1379	1037	640
American Black Duck	544	525	258	55	280	113	105	151	53	139	68	116	284	129	67	57	70	57	76	173	62	48
Mallard x Black	1	2		1		1	1			2	2			12								
Northern Pintail	9	1	4	2	11	29	2	15		1	6	1	20	9	1		1	2	2	1	cw	8
Green-winged Teal	1		6		1	5	4	2	5	2	4	11		2	1		5		cw		cw	6
Canvasback	450	90			803	100	700				1	2						1	43			cw
Redhead												1										
Ring-necked Duck	154	9	133	55	39	69	47	102	20	76	115	79	226	92	121	12	31	74	100	16	374	255
Greater Scaup															6							
Lesser Scaup						3		1				1			4							
Scaup sp.			5										20					1		cw	5	
Harlequin Duck																						cw
White-winged Scoter						2																
Long-tailed Duck															1			3				
Bufflehead			12	1	3	1	3				1				9			2			1	2
Common Goldeneye	8	12	22	102	12	2	76	8			21	15		19	1	21	1	5	15	1	cw	cw
Barrow's Goldeneye																						cw
Hooded Merganser	3	9	3	25	27	51	99	26	28	44	21	46	58	14	29	87	14	11	28	75	79	104
Common Merganser	122	192	223	389	663	204	311	210	209	125	289	267	137	253	244	436	152	251	206	470	123	245
Red-breasted Merganser												1										1
Ruddy Duck	23	1		40	23	32						42		1	3				8	4	2	21
Pied-billed Grebe	3				2		2								1		1					
Horned Grebe															1	1						1
American Coot	133	57	41	22	58	106	30	4	6	1	11	24	3	7	13	9	4	2	cw	38	23	92
Common Loon	1			1											5			1	1			
Great Cormorant						2		2														
Double-crested Cormorant	4	1	1	1		7		4	1													
Unidentified	30	6				2					20			25	6				15		12	3
Total without Canada Goose	3749	2961	2913	2327	3459	2168	3119	2077	2282	2087	2115	2400	3391	2825	3332	1772	1857	1941	1825	2212	1794	1471
Total Birds Count Day	26171	9180	19139	8261	12188	14649	8694	6600	8923	6686	22628	12720	13252	11117	17806	12247	5886	12134	8992	9752	11597	11436
Total Species Count Day	20	16	16	16	16	21	17	15	14	12	17	20	11	13	23	13	13	17	13	13	16	15
Count Week Species																	0	0	4	0	4	4
Number of Birders	16	16	20	20	14	30	25	15	16	22	28	28	25	18	18	22	19	19	23	23	18	19
NYSOA Count Period (Jan.)	12-20	11-19	10-18	15-23	14-22	13-21	12-20	17-25	16-24	15-23	14-22	19-27	18-26	17-25	16-24	14-22	13-21	19-27	18-26	16-24	15-23	14-22
Date of RTWBC Count									16	15	14	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	20	17	15	14

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Brant
Cackling Goose
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Mute Swan
Tundra Swan
Wood Duck
Blue-winged Teal
Northern Shoveler
Gadwall
American Wigeon
Mallard
American Black Duck
Mallard x Black
Northern Pintail
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Ring-necked Duck
Greater Scaup
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Unidentified
Total without Canada Goose
Total Birds Count Day
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NEW HIGH in 2023	Max No. Found 1960-now	Avg. per yr when Found ALL YRS 1960-now	Avg. per yr when found 1996-05	Avg. per yr when found 1960-69	Avg. per yr when found 1970-79	Avg. per yr when found 1980-89	Avg. per yr when found 1990-99	Avg. per yr when found 2000-09	Avg. per yr when found 2000-now	Avg. per yr when found 2010-now	Max per yr. 1960-now	Last Year Prev Found
	154	9.9	19.7	1.0	1.0	13.5	23.5	2.5	3.3	3.8	154	2022
	2	1.3	2.0			1.0	2.0	1.5	1.3	1.0	2	2019
	1	1.0							1.0	1.0	1	2022
	84	32.0				84.0			6.0	6.0	84	2022
	2	1.6							1.6	1.6	2	2022
	22422	6596.5	10359.4	3.0	362.6	3319.1	7827.9	9513.5	9542.0	9562.3	22422	2022
	245	56.5	67.7			41.5	94.1	57.3	45.8	37.6	245	2022
H	1	1.0							1.0	1.0	1	never
	13	2.5	3.8	1.0	1.4	1.2	2.5	3.5	3.8	4.1	13	2022
	9	3.0	1.0	1.0				5.0	3.7	1.0	9	2015
	3	1.7				1.0	1.0		3.0	3.0	3	2013
	8	3.6	3.0				2.0	4.0	3.9	3.8	8	2016
	5	1.6	2.3			1.0	1.0	2.0	1.8	1.0	5	2022
	2769	1131.6	1766.8	299.8	707.4	756.0	1369.7	1776.1	1694.6	1636.4	2769	2022
	659	156.7	233.0	136.4	105.4	153.7	233.2	231.9	154.9	99.9	659	2022
	12	2.8	1.3					1.2	2.8	5.3	12	2015
	29	4.7	3.1	2.5	1.0	3.7	2.3	8.1	6.3	4.7	29	2022
	11	3.2	4.0	1.0	3.0		1.5	3.5	4.0	4.5	11	2022
	2946	251.8	172.3	14.0	105.3	193.3	402.0	392.2	240.0	11.8	2946	2020
	1	1.0	1.0	1.0				1.0	1.0	1.0	1	2013
	374	83.7	115.6		7.3	12.4	109.1	90.0	104.4	113.6	374	2022
	6	6.0						6.0	6.0	6	6	2016
	4	2.3						3.0	2.3	2.0	4	2016
	20	4.2	5.0		1.0	2.0	1.0	5.0	7.8	8.7	20	2022
	0										0	never
	2	2.0						2.0	2.0		2	2007
	3	2.0	2.0				2.0		2.0	2.0	3	2019
	12	3.0	5.0	1.0	2.0	1.0	4.3	4.0	3.5	3.0	12	2022
	102	16.2	25.3	4.0	8.7	5.0	21.0	27.9	19.4	11.0	102	2022
	0										0	never
H	104	30.1	5.9		1.0		2.4	25.1	37.0	45.6	104	2022
	1690	247.0	254.2	26.6	36.0	275.2	407.0	300.6	267.2	243.4	1690	2022
	6	3.2			5.0	4.5			1.0	1.0	6	2022
	118	24.5	46.3	3.0		1.0	35.8	39.5	24.5	11.6	118	2022
	6	2.2	2.8	2.0	4.0	1.0	1.8	3.3	2.5	1.0	6	2018
	4	1.5	4.0		1.0		4.0		1.0	1.0	4	2017
	328	59.6	128.2	17.5	27.0	9.0	126.0	75.7	43.0	17.9	328	2022
	5	1.5	1.0		1.0		1.0	1.0	1.8	2.3	5	2020
	2	2.0						2.0	2.0		2	2009
	7	2.2	1.6			1.0	1.0	3.0	2.7	1.0	7	2010
	30	13.2	18.0					12.7	13.2	13.5	30	2022
	5266	1781	2771	444	822	1382	2757	2861	2497	2236	5266	
	26171	10040	13130	444	1076	4701	10585	12375	12039	11798	26171	11436
	23	13.7	16.2	4.8	6.3	9.3	13.5	16.5	15.6	15.0	23	15
												4
	30	17.6	17.9	10.8	10.5	12.2	16.4	18.9	20.3	21.3	30	19

NOTES

- The Waterfowl Count, an annual survey conducted by the New York State Ornithological Association (NYSOA), began in 1955.

- Data has been collected for Dutchess County beginning in 1960.

- 1976 data has not been found, except for some records from Bill Consiglio and Thelma Haight, which are included.

- A single male Wood Duck was found 6 consecutive winters at Fishkill Cemetery.

- DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT was not included in the count in the early years; it was not normally found in Dutchess County before the 1960's and not in winter before the 1970's.

- CACKLING GOOSE added (split from Canada Goose) 2014; first time on WFC.

- GREATER SCAUP added 2016. Improved optics & digital cameras now allow for easier identification of scaups.

- TUNDRA SWAN, HARLEQUIN DUCK, and BARROW'S GOLDENEYE were added in 2023 (never before see on the count).

COUNT PERIOD (cw in this chart) is defined by NYSOA as the 9-day period starting on the Saturday immediately preceding Martin Luther King Day.

TOTAL SPECIES does not include hybrids (e.g. Mallard x Black) or birds not identified to species level (e.g. Scaup sp., Unidentified).

Coordinators for Dutchess County have been Otis Waterman, 1960-76; Alice Jones 1977-88; Helen Manson 1990-96; Barbara Butler 1989, 1997-2012, Adrienne Popko 2013-2023.

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