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✓ Horned Grebe	1	8 April	Hendricksons Marsh
Double-crested Cormorant	8	8 April	Hendricksons Marsh; first seen
	100	19 April	flying over Brookside Park in Ames
	100	26 April	flying over Brookside Park in Ames
	1	21 May	Hendricksons Marsh; last
✓ White-fronted Goose	1	21 April	Colo potholes
✓ Mallard	1000	31 March	Hendricksons Marsh; most I've seen there.
Northern Shovellor	45	14 April	Colo potholes; most one place
	1 pair	23 May	Colo potholes; last
Gadwall	1 male	15 May	Hendricksons Marsh; last seen
American Wigeon	25	31 March	Hendricksons Marsh; most one place
Canvasback	20	24 March	Hendricksons Marsh; most one place
	1 Male	21 April	Colo potholes; last
Redhead	25	14 April	Colo potholes; most one place
	1 male	6 May	Colo potholes; last
Ring-necked Duck	1 male	10 May	Colo potholes; last seen
Lesser Scaup	175	18 April	Hendricksons Marsh; most one place
✓ Bufflehead	1 female	10 May	Coopers Marsh (NE of Ames); late
✓ Common Merganser	125	31 March	Hendricksons Marsh; most one place
Red-breasted Merganser	23	8 April	Hendricksons Marsh; most one place
Ruddy Duck	65	18 April	Hendricksons Marsh; most one place
✓ Osprey	1	23 May	Hendricksons Marsh
✓ Sharp-shinned Hawk	1	16 April	Brookside Park; sitting - never got good look at tail; about size of Blue Jay.
	1	23 April	Brookside Park; small with square ended tail.
Broad-winged Hawk	1	20 April	Brookside Park; first seen
	3	26 April	Brookside Park; most one place
	1	28 April	Brookside Park; last
✓ Sora	1	23 April	Larson Marsh (E of Ames); first

on small brush pile

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American Coot	500 2 1	14 April 20 May 23 & 26 May	Hendricksons Marsh; most in one place at Larson Marsh as late as Colo potholes
✓ Black-bellied Plover	2 4	17 May 23 May	Larson Marsh (E of Ames) in flock of 125 L Golden Plovers Colo potholes
✓ Lesser Golden Plover	12 250 125 19 15	21 April 15 May 16 May 23 May 23 May	Colo Potholes; first Colo potholes; most one place Larson Marsh; most there S W of Coopers Marsh (NE of Ames); last Colo potholes; last seen
Semipalmated Plover	1 5 2	6 May 10 May 23 May	Colo potholes; first Hendricksons Marsh; most one place Colo potholes; last
Greater Yellowlegs	1 4 1	25 April 2 May 10 May	Colo potholes; first Colo potholes; most one place Colo potholes; last
✓ Lesser Yellowlegs	4 1	14 April 23 May	Colo potholes; first seen S W of Coopers Marsh (NE of Ames); last
Solitary Sandpiper	1 7 1	10 May 14 May 23 May	Larson Marsh (E of Ames); first Hendricksons Marsh; most one place Hendricksons Marsh; last
✓ Willet	1 1 1 1 2	25 April 25 & 28 April 28 April 13 & 15 May 15 May	Coopers Marsh (NE of Ames) Larsons Marsh (E of Ames) Colo Potholes Hendricksons Marsh Colo potholes
Upland Sandpiper	1	20 May	S W of Coopers Marsh (NE of Ames)
* Whimbrel	1	13 May	Hendricksons Marsh; see documentation
✓ Hudsonian Godwit	2 13 9	6 May 23 May 26 May	Colo potholes; first SW of Coopers Marsh (NE of Ames); most SW of Coopers Marsh (NE of Ames); last
✓ Marbled Godwit	5	14 April	Colo potholes; cinnamon wing linings.
✓ Sanderling	2	28 April	Colo potholes
Semipalmated Sandpiper	2 30 5	28 April 23 May 26 May	Colo potholes; first Hendricksons Marsh; most one place Colo potholes; last
Least Sandpiper	1 2	6 May 23 May	Colo potholes; first Hendricksons Marsh; last

✓ White-rumped Sandpiper	7 6	10 May 23 May	Hendricksons Marsh; first & most Colo potholes; last
✓ Baird's Sandpiper	1	23 May	Colo potholes;
Pectoral Sandpiper	25 75 60 20	25 April 3 May 4 May 23 May	Colo potholes; first S W of Coopers Marsh (NE of Ames); most W of Larsons Marsh (E of Ames); next most Colo potholes; last
✓ Dunlin	2 17 1	15 May 23 May 26 May	Colo potholes; first seen Colo potholes ; most one place S W of Coopers Marsh (NE of Ames); last
✓ Stilt Sandpiper	1	13 May	Hendricksons Marsh
✓ Short-billed Dowitcher	10-12 7	10,12,13,14 May 15 May	Hendricksons Marsh; pale orange breast; spots or dots on sides of breast; heard two days. Colo potholes; pale orange breast with spots on sides.
Dowitcher (species)	1 3	8 April 6 May	Hickory Grove Lake; flying, not heard, still mostly in winter plumage. Colo potholes; too far away
✓ Long-billed Dowitcher	1	10 May	Hendricksons Marsh; dark red-brown breast; barring instead of spots; in flock of Short-billeds.
Wilson's Phalarope	20 27 2	25 April 28 April 13 May	Colo potholes; first Colo potholes; most one place Colo potholes; last
Ring-billed Gull	50 1	31 March 6 May	Hendricksons Marsh; first & most Hendricksons Marsh; last
✓ Caspian Tern	1	13 May	Colo potholes
✓ Forster's Tern	3 2	28 April 13 May	Hendricksons Marsh; primaries whiter than rest of upper wing; edges of tail whiter than middle. Hendricksons Marsh; like above
✓ Short-eared Owl	1	23 April	Larson Marsh (E of Ames)
✓ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	2 1 7	24 May 25 & 26 May 27 May	Brookside Park (Ames); 1 evenly medium yellow throat, breast, & belly; the other paler yellow throat, breast & belly. Brookside Park; pale yellow throat, breast & belly Brookside Park; most; heard all; ranged from pale fairly even yellow throat breast and belly to very yellow throat and midline of breast with dingier yellow sides
✓ Acadian Flycatcher	1	28 May	Brookside Park; all seen Brookside Park; pit see
✓ Willow Flycatcher	1	25 May	Brookside Park; heard

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Least Flycatcher 1 4 May Brookside Park; heard

✓ There was a BIG wave of Empidonax Flycatchers at Brookside Park on May 10.
 ✓ Of 88 seen, 7 were heard to be Least Flycatchers.

✓ Eastern Phoebe 5 13 April Brookside Park; most
 Great Crested Flycatcher 1 1 May Brookside Park; first
 Brown Creeper saw none in March
 3 12 April Brookside Park; first since January
 11 23 April Brookside Park; most
 ✓ 1 9 May Brookside Park; last

Winter Wren 1 12,16,18,20 April Brookside Park

Golden-crowned Kinglet 5 7 April Brookside Park; first
 8 16 April Brookside Park; most
 ✓ 1 2 May Brookside Park; last

Ruby-crowned Kinglet 2 7 April Brookside Park; first
 27 4 May Brookside Park; most
 ✓ 1 16 May Brookside Park; last

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 1 25 April Brookside Park; first
 4 29 April Brookside Park; most
 1 10 May Brookside Park; last

✓ Veery 4 18 May Brookside Park; first
 4 28 May Brookside Park; most
 Gray-cheeked Thrush 2 5 May Brookside Park; first
 6 10 May Brookside Park; most
 ✓ 1 28 May Ames; last

Swainson's Thrush 2 27 April Brookside Park; first
 8 18 May Brookside Park; most
 ✓ 1 26 May Brookside Park; last

67 Total 27 April - 26 May Brookside Park

Hermit Thrush 1 1 April Brookside Park; first
 12 12 April Brookside Park; most
 1 3 May Brookside Park; last

129 Total 1 April - 3 May Brookside Park

Loggerhead Shrike 1 28 April 2 miles N of Hendricksons Marsh
 1 10 & 13 May 2 miles N of Hendricksons Marsh

* Bell's Vireo 1 5 May Brookside Park; see documentation; early
 1 15 May Brookside Park; det: sluggish;
 smallish vireo; grayish above, whitish below;
 2 definite wing bars; narrow white eye-ring with
 forward extension; not heard.

Solitary Vireo 1 27 April Brookside Park; first
 ✓ 14 10 May Brookside Park; most
 ✓ 1 28 May Brookside Park; last

Yellow-throated Vireo 2 12 May Brookside Park; first
 2 27 May Brookside Park; last

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Philadelphia Vireo	1	17 May	Brookside Park; first
	2	23 May	Brookside Park; most
✓	1	26 May	Brookside Park; last
✓ Red-eyed Vireo	1	27 April	Brookside Park; first; early; seen in good light - 20 feet 7 x 35 binoculars - could see red eye.
	24	23 May	Brookside Park; most
Tennessee Warbler	3	10 May	Brookside Park; first
	20	23 May	Brookside Park; most
✓	2	28 May	Brookside Park; last (sent report 28 th)
Orange Crowned Warbler	5	27 April	Brookside Park; first
✓	28	10 May	Brookside Park; most
	9	15 May	Brookside Park; last
Nashville Warbler	2	29 April	Brookside Park; first
✓	112	10 May	Brookside Park; <u>most ever</u>
	12	18 May	Brookside Park; last
✓ Northern Parula	4	10 May	Brookside Park; first & most
	1	18 May	Brookside Park; last
Yellow Warbler	3	10 May	Brookside Park; first
	10	13 May	Brookside Park; most
Chestnut-sided Warbler	3	12 May	Brookside Park; first
	13	18 May	Brookside Park; most
✓	2	28 May	Brookside Park; last (sent report 28 th)
Magnolia Warbler	4	10 May	Brookside Park; first
	10	15 May	Brookside Park; most
✓	2	28 May	Brookside Park; last (sent report 28 th)
✓ Yellow-rumped Warbler	3	11 April	Brookside Park; first
	26	2 May	Brookside Park; most
	1	16 May	Brookside Park; last
Black-throated Green Warbler			
	1	1 May	Brookside Park; first
	9	10 May	Brookside Park; most
	1	18 May	Brookside Park; last
Blackburnian Warbler	2	10 May	Brookside Park; first
✓	1	27 May	Brookside Park; last
* Pine Warbler	1	24 May	Brookside Park; see documentation
Bay-breasted Warbler	1	15 May	Brookside Park
	1	17 May	Brookside Park
Blackpoll	3	12 May	Brookside Park; first
	11	18 May	Brookside Park; most
	10	23 May	Brookside Park; next to most
✓	3	26 May	Brookside Park; last
	2	28 May	Brookside Park; last (sent report 28 th)

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Black and White Warbler	1	25 April	Ames; first
	5	29 April	and 3 May Brookside Park; most
	1	26 May	Brookside Park; last
American Redstart	6	10 May	Brookside Park; first
	10	18 May	Brookside Park; most
	5	28 May	Brookside Park; last (sent report 28th)
✓ Prothonotary Warbler	1 male	15 May	Hendricksons Marsh
✓ Worm-eating Warbler	1	28 April	Brookside Park; this bird was also seen by Joe Schaffenbuel, George & Gordon Brown.
✓ Ovenbird	2	27 April	Brookside Park; first
	12	10 May	Brookside Park; most
	2	26 May	Brookside Park; last
Northern Waterthrush	2	2 May	Brookside Park; first
	3	10 May	Brookside Park; last
Mourning Warbler	1	17 May	Brookside Park; first
	3	23 & 25 May	Brookside Park; most
	2	28 May	Brookside Park; last (sent report 28th)
Common Yellowthroat	1	3 May	Brookside Park; first
	8	10 May	Brookside Park; most
✓ Wilson's Warbler	18	10 May	Brookside Park; first and most
	2	27 May	Brookside Park; last
Canada Warbler	1	18 May	Brookside Park; first
	2	23 & 26 May	Brookside Park; most & last (sent report 28th)
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	1 female	2 May	Brookside Park; first
✓ Chipping Sparrow	100 in one flock	10 May	Brookside Park; most in one flock
✓ Clay-colored Sparrow	7	10 May	Brookside Park; in flock of 100 Chipping Sparrows. One sang.
Fox Sparrow	2	6 April	Brookside Park; first
	5	13 April	Brookside Park; most
	3	18 April	Brookside Park; last
Lincoln's Sparrow	1	30 April	Brookside Park; first
	8	10 May	Brookside Park; most
	1	16 May	Brookside Park; last
Swamp Sparrow	2	15 April	Larson Marsh; first
	1	23 May	Hendricksons Marsh; singing

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✓ White-throated Sparrow	1	1 April	Brookside Park; first
	60	3 May	Brookside Park; most
	5	14 May	Brookside Park; last
✓ Dark-eyed Junco	1	6 May	Brookside Park; last
Lapland Longspur	1	10 April	Larson Marsh; last
✓ Orchard Oriole	1 pair	12 May	McFarland Park N E of Ames
Purple Finch	2	1 May	Brookside Park; last
✓ Pine Siskin	2	27 May	Brookside Park; last