

Fall Migration. Iowa

Weather
September was warm and very dry, precipitation being only half of normal, and October was also warm and very dry until a series of rains set in toward the end of the month. November was warm with numerous rains.

A King Eider was shot in northern Iowa in mid-November. It is a specimen in the Iowa Conservation Comm.

Several Orange-crowned Warblers were seen on very late dates: At Marble Rock in north-central Iowa on 28 October (Pearl Knoop); and in Des Moines on 31 October and 2 November (J.K. Brown)

A Indigo Bunting on 23 October at Davenport was a new late date for the state. (P.C. Petersen)

A Sharp-tailed Sparrow at Twin Lakes in north-central Iowa was a new early state date. (Mrs. H. R. Peasley)

With the exception of Lamoni, south-central, the shorebird migration was considered very poor. The warbler migration was quite spotty.

In addition to the Western Grebe seen by Fred Kent, one was seen by me at the edge of Des Moines on 2 November.