

CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT - NEW BRUNSWICK

Name of area: Miramichi (all coverage should be within a 24 km (15 mile) diameter circle)

Sky & precipitation: sunny, clear skies; no precipitation

Ground & water conditions: 30 cm snow cover; brooks & ponds mostly open; river 90% open

Date: December 20, 2015, 8:30 am to 17:00 pm

Temp: -8 C to -3 C **Wind:** W 25 km/h with gusts to 42 km/h

Total participants: 20 (9 field observers in 4 field parties, plus 16 persons at 12 feeders).

Total party hours: 23.5 (21.5 by car, 2 by foot).

Total party kms: 367.5 (363 by car, 4.5 by foot)

Compiler: Pam Watters

	Red-throated Loon		Black-legged Kittiwake		Swamp Sparrow
	Common Loon		Dovekie		White-throated Sparrow
	Horned Grebe		Common Murre	2	Dark-eyed (Sl-col.) Junco
	Red-necked Grebe		Thick-billed Murre		Lapland Longspur
2	Double-crested Cormorant		Razorbill	36	Snow Bunting
	Great Blue Heron		Black Guillemot	cw	Northern Cardinal
51	Canada Goose	379	Rock Pigeon		Red-winged Blackbird
8	American Black Duck	38	Mourning Dove		Meadowlark
127	Mallard		Great Horned Owl		Rusty Blackbird
	Greater Scaup		Snowy Owl		Common Grackle
	Common Eider		Barred Owl		Brown-headed Cowbird
	Harlequin Duck	cp	Short-eared Owl		Pine Grosbeak
	Surf Scoter		N. Saw-whet Owl	cp	Purple Finch
	White-winged Scoter	9	Downy Woodpecker	cp	House Finch
	Black Scoter	11	Hairy Woodpecker		Red Crossbill
	Long-tailed Duck		American Three-toed Woodpecker		White-winged Crossbill
	Bufflehead		Black-backed (3-toed) Woodpecker	11	Common Redpoll
21	Common Goldeneye		Northern Flicker		Pine Siskin
	Barrow's Goldeneye	cw	Pileated Woodpecker	89	American Goldfinch
	Hooded Merganser		Northern Shrike	26	Evening Grosbeak
1,061	Common Merganser	cw	Gray Jay		House Sparrow
	Red-breasted Merganser	38	Blue Jay		
5	Bald Eagle	71	American Crow		
	Northern Harrier	5	Common Raven		
cp	Sharp-shinned Hawk		Horned Lark		
	Northern Goshawk	119	Black-capped Chickadee		
	Red-tailed Hawk		Boreal Chickadee		
	Rough-legged Hawk	7	Red-breasted Nuthatch		
	Merlin		White-breasted Nuthatch		Seen in area in count week
	Gyrfalcon		Brown Creeper		but not on count day;
	Ring-necked Pheasant		Golden-crowned Kinglet		Pileated Woodpecker
1	Ruffed Grouse	1	American Robin		Gray Jay
	Spruce Grouse		Northern Mockingbird		Northern Cardinal
	Purple Sandpiper	225	European Starling		American Tree Sparrow
	Bonaparte's Gull	660	Bohemian Waxwing		Seen in area in count period
39	Ring-billed Gull		Yellow-rumped Warbler		but not on count day;
25	Herring Gull		Pine Warbler		Sharp-shinned Hawk
6	Iceland Gull	cw	Am. Tree Sparrow		Short-eared Owl
1	Glaucous Gull		Fox Sparrow		Purple Finch
68	Great Black-backed Gull		Song Sparrow		House Finch

Totals: 3,142 individuals of 30 species plus 8 additional species (4 additional species during count week, December 17-23, and 4 additional species during count period, December 14 – January 5)

MAP: *(If yours is a new count or the circle has been shifted since last year describe the location of the centre of the circle and send a map for the museum files.)*

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PARTICIPANTS: *(Please list names of all participants, alphabetically, below or on separate sheet of paper.)*

Julia Connell, Florence Currie, Peter & Deana Gadd, Gwen Geikie, Georgia Halavrezos, Michael & Rachael Hovey, Mathieu Manuel, Anthony McLean, Dave McLeod, Betty Muzzeroll, Walter & Chris O'Toole, Frank Power, Phil & Max Riebel, Jim Saunders, Pam Watters, David Woulds

Count week/period only: Mark Lebel (Short-eared Owl), Paul McKinnon (Gray Jay)