

KANSAS BIRDS: Species List for Kansas

WHISTLING-DUCKS

- ___ Black-bellied Whistling-Duck
- ___ Fulvous Whistling-Duck

GEESE, SWANS

- ___ Snow Goose
- ___ Ross's Goose
- ___ Greater White-fronted Goose
- ___ Brant
- ___ Cackling Goose
- ___ Canada Goose
- ___ Trumpeter Swan
- ___ Tundra Swan

DUCKS

- ___ Wood Duck
- ___ Garganey†
- ___ Blue-winged Teal
- ___ Cinnamon Teal
- ___ Northern Shoveler
- ___ Gadwall
- ___ Eurasian Wigeon
- ___ American Wigeon
- ___ Mallard
- ___ Mexican Duck†
- ___ American Black Duck
- ___ Mottled Duck
- ___ Northern Pintail
- ___ Green-winged Teal
- ___ Canvasback
- ___ Redhead
- ___ Ring-necked Duck
- ___ [Tufted Duck]†
- ___ Greater Scaup
- ___ Lesser Scaup
- ___ King Eider†
- ___ Common Eider†
- ___ Harlequin Duck†
- ___ Surf Scoter
- ___ White-winged Scoter
- ___ Black Scoter
- ___ Long-tailed Duck
- ___ Bufflehead
- ___ Common Goldeneye
- ___ Barrow's Goldeneye
- ___ Hooded Merganser
- ___ Common Merganser
- ___ Red-breasted Merganser
- ___ Ruddy Duck

QUAIL

- ___ Northern Bobwhite
- ___ Scaled Quail

TURKEY, GROUSE, PHEASANT

- ___ Wild Turkey
- ___ Ruffed Grouse
- ___ Sharp-tailed Grouse
- ___ Greater Prairie-Chicken
- ___ Lesser Prairie-Chicken
- ___ Ring-necked Pheasant

FLAMINGOS

- ___ American Flamingo†

GREBES

- ___ Pied-billed Grebe
- ___ Horned Grebe
- ___ Red-necked Grebe
- ___ Eared Grebe
- ___ Western Grebe
- ___ Clark's Grebe

PIGEONS, DOVES

- ___ Rock Pigeon
- ___ Band-tailed Pigeon†
- ___ Eurasian Collared-Dove
- ___ Inca Dove
- ___ Common Ground Dove
- ___ White-winged Dove
- ___ Mourning Dove

CUCKOOS

- ___ Groove-billed Ani
- ___ Greater Roadrunner
- ___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo
- ___ Black-billed Cuckoo

NIGHTJARS

- ___ [Lesser Nighthawk]†
- ___ Common Nighthawk
- ___ Common Poorwill
- ___ Chuck-will's-widow
- ___ Eastern Whip-poor-will
- ___ [Mexican Whip-poor-will]†

SWIFTS

- ___ Chimney Swift
- ___ White-throated Swift†

HUMMINGBIRDS

- ___ Mexican Violetear†
- ___ Rivoli's Hummingbird†
- ___ Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- ___ Black-chinned Hummingbird
- ___ Anna's Hummingbird
- ___ Costa's Hummingbird†
- ___ Calliope Hummingbird
- ___ Rufous Hummingbird
- ___ Allen's Hummingbird†
- ___ Broad-tailed Hummingbird
- ___ Broad-billed Hummingbird†

RAILS, GALLINULES

- ___ King Rail
- ___ Virginia Rail
- ___ Sora
- ___ Common Gallinule
- ___ American Coot
- ___ Purple Gallinule
- ___ Yellow Rail
- ___ Black Rail

LIMPKIN

- ___ Limpkin

CRANES

- ___ Sandhill Crane
- ___ Common Crane†
- ___ Whooping Crane

STILTS, AVOCETS

- ___ Black-necked Stilt
- ___ American Avocet

PLOVERS

- ___ Black-bellied Plover
- ___ American Golden-Plover
- ___ Killdeer
- ___ Semipalmated Plover
- ___ Piping Plover
- ___ [Wilson's Plover]†
- ___ Mountain Plover
- ___ Snowy Plover

SANDPIPERS

- ___ Upland Sandpiper
- ___ Whimbrel
- ___ Eskimo Curlew
- ___ Long-billed Curlew
- ___ Hudsonian Godwit
- ___ Marbled Godwit
- ___ Ruddy Turnstone
- ___ Red Knot
- ___ Ruff
- ___ Stilt Sandpiper
- ___ Curlew Sandpiper†
- ___ Red-necked Stint†
- ___ Sanderling
- ___ Dunlin
- ___ Purple Sandpiper†
- ___ Baird's Sandpiper
- ___ Little Stint†
- ___ Least Sandpiper
- ___ White-rumped Sandpiper
- ___ Buff-breasted Sandpiper
- ___ Pectoral Sandpiper
- ___ Semipalmated Sandpiper
- ___ Western Sandpiper
- ___ Short-billed Dowitcher
- ___ Long-billed Dowitcher
- ___ American Woodcock
- ___ Wilson's Snipe
- ___ Spotted Sandpiper
- ___ Solitary Sandpiper
- ___ Lesser Yellowlegs
- ___ Willet
- ___ Spotted Redshank†
- ___ Greater Yellowlegs
- ___ Wilson's Phalarope
- ___ Red-necked Phalarope
- ___ Red Phalarope

JAEGERS

- ___ Pomarine Jaeger†
- ___ Parasitic Jaeger
- ___ Long-tailed Jaeger†

ALCIDS

___ Long-billed Murrelet†

GULLS

___ Black-legged Kittiwake
 ___ Sabine's Gull
 ___ Bonaparte's Gull
 ___ Black-headed Gull
 ___ Little Gull
 ___ Ross's Gull†
 ___ Laughing Gull
 ___ Franklin's Gull
 ___ Short-billed Gull
 ___ Ring-billed Gull
 ___ California Gull
 ___ Herring Gull
 ___ Iceland Gull
 ___ Lesser Black-backed Gull
 ___ [Glaucous-winged Gull]†
 ___ Glaucous Gull
 ___ Great Black-backed Gull

TERNs

___ Least Tern
 ___ Gull-billed Tern†
 ___ Caspian Tern
 ___ Black Tern
 ___ Common Tern
 ___ [Arctic Tern]†
 ___ Forster's Tern
 ___ Royal Tern †

SKIMMERS

___ Black Skimmer†

LOONS

___ Red-throated Loon
 ___ Pacific Loon
 ___ Common Loon
 ___ Yellow-billed Loon†

STORKS

___ Wood Stork

FRIGATEBIRDS

___ Magnificent Frigatebird†

BOOBIES

___ Brown Booby†

DARTERS

___ Anhinga

CORMORANTS

___ Double-crested Cormorant
 ___ Neotropic Cormorant

PELICANS

___ American White Pelican
 ___ Brown Pelican

HERONS

___ American Bittern
 ___ Least Bittern
 ___ Great Blue Heron
 ___ Great Egret
 ___ Snowy Egret
 ___ Little Blue Heron

___ Tricolored Heron
 ___ Reddish Egret†
 ___ Cattle Egret
 ___ Green Heron
 ___ Black-crowned Night-Heron
 ___ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

IBISES

___ White Ibis
 ___ Glossy Ibis
 ___ White-faced Ibis
 ___ Roseate Spoonbill

VULTURES

___ Black Vulture
 ___ Turkey Vulture

OSPREY, HAWKS, KITES,**EAGLES**

___ Osprey
 ___ White-tailed Kite†
 ___ Swallow-tailed Kite
 ___ Golden Eagle
 ___ Northern Harrier
 ___ Sharp-shinned Hawk
 ___ Cooper's Hawk
 ___ American Goshawk
 ___ Bald Eagle
 ___ Mississippi Kite
 ___ Harris's Hawk†
 ___ Gray Hawk†
 ___ Red-shouldered Hawk
 ___ Broad-winged Hawk
 ___ Swainson's Hawk
 ___ Red-tailed Hawk
 ___ Rough-legged Hawk
 ___ Ferruginous Hawk

BARN OWLS

___ Barn Owl

OWLS

___ [Flammulated Owl]†
 ___ Western Screech-Owl†
 ___ Eastern Screech-Owl
 ___ Great Horned Owl
 ___ Snowy Owl
 ___ Burrowing Owl
 ___ Barred Owl
 ___ Long-eared Owl
 ___ Short-eared Owl
 ___ Northern Saw-whet Owl

KINGFISHERS

___ Belted Kingfisher

WOODPECKERS

___ Lewis's Woodpecker
 ___ Red-headed Woodpecker
 ___ Red-bellied Woodpecker
 ___ Williamson's Sapsucker†
 ___ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
 ___ Red-naped Sapsucker
 ___ Amer. Three-toed Woodpecker†
 ___ Downy Woodpecker

___ Ladder-backed Woodpecker
 ___ Hairy Woodpecker
 ___ Northern Flicker
 ___ Pileated Woodpecker

FALCONS

___ Crested Caracara†
 ___ American Kestrel
 ___ Merlin
 ___ Gyrfalcon†
 ___ Peregrine Falcon
 ___ Prairie Falcon

FLYCATCHERS

___ Ash-throated Flycatcher
 ___ Great Crested Flycatcher
 ___ Great Kiskadee†
 ___ Piratic Flycatcher†
 ___ Cassin's Kingbird
 ___ Western Kingbird
 ___ Eastern Kingbird
 ___ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
 ___ Fork-tailed Flycatcher†
 ___ Olive-sided Flycatcher
 ___ Western Wood-Pewee
 ___ Eastern Wood-Pewee
 ___ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
 ___ Acadian Flycatcher
 ___ Alder Flycatcher
 ___ Willow Flycatcher
 ___ Least Flycatcher
 ___ Hammond's Flycatcher
 ___ Gray Flycatcher
 ___ Dusky Flycatcher
 ___ Western Flycatcher
 ___ Black Phoebe†
 ___ Eastern Phoebe
 ___ Say's Phoebe
 ___ Vermilion Flycatcher

VIREOS

___ Black-capped Vireo†
 ___ White-eyed Vireo
 ___ Bell's Vireo
 ___ Gray Vireo†
 ___ Yellow-throated Vireo
 ___ Cassin's Vireo
 ___ Blue-headed Vireo
 ___ Plumbeous Vireo
 ___ Philadelphia Vireo
 ___ Warbling Vireo
 ___ Red-eyed Vireo

SHRIKES

___ Loggerhead Shrike
 ___ Northern Shrike

JAYS, MAGPIES, CROWS

___ Pinyon Jay
 ___ Steller's Jay
 ___ Blue Jay
 ___ Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay
 ___ Mexican Jay†
 ___ Clark's Nutcracker

___ Black-billed Magpie
___ American Crow
___ Fish Crow
___ Chihuahuan Raven
___ Common Raven

CHICKADEES, TITMICE

___ Carolina Chickadee
___ Black-capped Chickadee
___ Mountain Chickadee
___ [Juniper Titmouse]†
___ Tufted Titmouse

LARKS

___ Horned Lark

SWALLOWS

___ Bank Swallow
___ Tree Swallow
___ Violet-green Swallow
___ N. Rough-winged Swallow
___ Purple Martin
___ Barn Swallow
___ Cliff Swallow
___ Cave Swallow

BUSHTITS

___ Bushtit

KINGLETS

___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet
___ Golden-crowned Kinglet

WAXWINGS

___ Bohemian Waxwing
___ Cedar Waxwing

SILKY-FLYCATCHERS

___ Phainopepla†

NUTHATCHES

___ Red-breasted Nuthatch
___ White-breasted Nuthatch
___ Pygmy Nuthatch
___ Brown-headed Nuthatch†

CREEPERS

___ Brown Creeper

GNATCATCHERS

___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

WRENS

___ Rock Wren
___ Canyon Wren†
___ Bewick's Wren
___ Carolina Wren
___ House Wren
___ Pacific Wren†
___ Winter Wren
___ Sedge Wren
___ Marsh Wren

THRASHERS

___ Gray Catbird
___ Curve-billed Thrasher
___ Brown Thrasher

___ Sage Thrasher
___ Northern Mockingbird

STARLINGS

___ European Starling

THRUSHES

___ Eastern Bluebird
___ Western Bluebird†
___ Mountain Bluebird
___ Townsend's Solitaire
___ Veery
___ Gray-cheeked Thrush
___ Swainson's Thrush
___ Hermit Thrush
___ Wood Thrush
___ American Robin
___ Varied Thrush

OLD WORLD FLYCATCHERS

___ [Northern Wheatear]†

OLD WORLD SPARROWS

___ House Sparrow

PIPITS

___ American Pipit
___ Sprague's Pipit

FINCHES

___ Brambling†
___ Evening Grosbeak
___ Pine Grosbeak
___ [Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch]†
___ House Finch
___ Purple Finch
___ Cassin's Finch
___ Common Redpoll
___ Red Crossbill
___ White-winged Crossbill
___ Pine Siskin
___ Lesser Goldfinch
___ American Goldfinch

LONGSPURS

___ Lapland Longspur
___ Chestnut-collared Longspur
___ Smith's Longspur
___ Thick-billed Longspur
___ Snow Bunting

SPARROWS

___ Cassin's Sparrow
___ Bachman's Sparrow†
___ Grasshopper Sparrow
___ Black-throated Sparrow
___ Lark Sparrow
___ Lark Bunting
___ Chipping Sparrow
___ Clay-colored Sparrow
___ Field Sparrow
___ Brewer's Sparrow
___ Fox Sparrow
___ American Tree Sparrow
___ Dark-eyed Junco
___ Yellow-eyed Junco†

___ White-crowned Sparrow
___ Golden-crowned Sparrow
___ Harris's Sparrow
___ White-throated Sparrow
___ Sagebrush Sparrow†
___ Vesper Sparrow
___ LeConte's Sparrow
___ Nelson's Sparrow
___ Baird's Sparrow
___ Henslow's Sparrow
___ Savannah Sparrow
___ Song Sparrow
___ Lincoln's Sparrow
___ Swamp Sparrow
___ Canyon Towhee†
___ Rufous-crowned Sparrow
___ Green-tailed Towhee
___ Spotted Towhee
___ Eastern Towhee

CHATS

___ Yellow-breasted Chat

BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES

___ Yellow-headed Blackbird
___ Bobolink
___ Eastern Meadowlark
___ Western Meadowlark
___ Orchard Oriole
___ Hooded Oriole†
___ Bullock's Oriole
___ Baltimore Oriole
___ Scott's Oriole†
___ Red-winged Blackbird
___ Bronzed Cowbird†
___ Brown-headed Cowbird
___ Rusty Blackbird
___ Brewer's Blackbird
___ Common Grackle
___ Great-tailed Grackle

WARBLERS

___ Ovenbird
___ Worm-eating Warbler
___ Louisiana Waterthrush
___ Northern Waterthrush
___ Golden-winged Warbler
___ Blue-winged Warbler
___ Black-and-white Warbler
___ Prothonotary Warbler
___ Swainson's Warbler†
___ Tennessee Warbler
___ Orange-crowned Warbler
___ Nashville Warbler
___ Virginia's Warbler
___ Connecticut Warbler
___ MacGillivray's Warbler
___ Mourning Warbler
___ Kentucky Warbler
___ Common Yellowthroat
___ Hooded Warbler
___ American Redstart
___ Cape May Warbler

Cerulean Warbler
 Northern Parula
 Magnolia Warbler
 Bay-breasted Warbler
 Blackburnian Warbler
 Yellow Warbler
 Chestnut-sided Warbler
 Blackpoll Warbler
 Black-throated Blue Warbler
 Palm Warbler
 Pine Warbler
 Yellow-rumped Warbler
 Yellow-throated Warbler
 Prairie Warbler
 Black-throated Gray Warbler
 Townsend's Warbler
 Hermit Warbler†
 Black-throated Green Warbler
 Canada Warbler
 Wilson's Warbler
 Painted Redstart†

GROSBEAKS, BUNTINGS

Hepatic Tanager†
 Summer Tanager
 Scarlet Tanager
 Western Tanager
 Northern Cardinal
 Pyrrhuloxia†
 Rose-breasted Grosbeak
 Black-headed Grosbeak
 Blue Grosbeak
 Lazuli Bunting
 Indigo Bunting
 Painted Bunting
 Dickcissel

† Fewer than ten Kansas records
 [] Hypothetical species
 § Probable breeding species
 * Confirmed breeding species
 Probable and confirmed breeding species as defined by the Kansas Breeding Bird Atlas Project.

This list was compiled from records of the Kansas Ornithological Society, Kansas Breeding Bird Atlas Project, and the Kansas Biological Survey.

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Please report any birds not on this list to Max Thompson, Southwestern College, Dept of Biology, 100 College St., Winfield, KS 67156, maxt@cox.net

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A record for Taiga/Tundra Bean Goose (*Anser fabalis*/*Anser serrirostris*) was accepted in 2020. However, since it wasn't accepted at the species level it will not be added to the KOS Check-list at this time.

Of the 486 species documented to have occurred in Kansas, three species are not included on this list because they no longer occur. The Passenger Pigeon and Carolina Parakeet are extinct, and the Gunnison Sage-Grouse has been extirpated from the state.

The taxonomic sequence and nomenclature used in this list follow the *Check-list of North American Birds*, 7th edition, American Ornithologists Union, 1998, updated through the 64th Supplement, 2023, Ornithology, Volume 140, Issue 3, 11 July 2023, ukad023, <https://doi.org/10.1093/ornithology/ukad023>