

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
- ___ [Taiga/Tundra Bean-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
- ___ 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

PHEASANT

- ___ Ring-necked Pheasant

GROUSE

- ___ Ruffed Grouse
- ___ Sharp-tailed Grouse

- ___ Greater Prairie-Chicken
- ___ Lesser Prairie-Chicken

TURKEY

- ___ Wild Turkey

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

SWIFTS

- ___ Chimney Swift
- ___ White-throated Swift†

HUMMINGBIRDS

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

RAILS, GALLINULES

- ___ Yellow Rail
- ___ Black Rail
- ___ King Rail
- ___ Virginia Rail
- ___ Sora
- ___ Purple Gallinule

- ___ Common Gallinule
- ___ American Coot

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
- ___ Mew 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

SKIMMERS

- ___ Black Skimmer†

LOONS

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

STORKS

- ___ Wood Stork

FRIGATEBIRDS

- ___ Magnificent Frigatebird†

BOOBIES

- ___ Brown Booby†

CORMORANTS

- ___ Neotropic Cormorant
- ___ Double-crested Cormorant

DARTERS

- ___ Anhinga

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
- ___ Northern 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
- ___ Cordilleran Flycatcher
- ___ [Black Phoebe]†
- ___ Eastern Phoebe
- ___ Say's Phoebe
- ___ Vermilion Flycatcher

SHRIKES

- ___ Loggerhead Shrike
- ___ Northern Shrike

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

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

LARKS

___ Horned Lark

SWALLOWS

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

CHICKADEES, TITMICE

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

BUSHTITS

___ Bushtit

NUTHATCHES

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

CREEPERS

___ Brown Creeper

WRENS

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

GNATCATCHERS

___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

KINGLETS

___ Golden-crowned Kinglet
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet

OLD WORLD FLYCATCHERS

___ [Northern Wheatear]†

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

THRASHERS

___ Gray Catbird
___ Curve-billed Thrasher
___ Brown Thrasher
___ Sage Thrasher
___ Northern Mockingbird

STARLINGS

___ European Starling

WAXWINGS

___ Bohemian Waxwing
___ Cedar Waxwing

SILKY-FLYCATCHERS

___ Phainopepla†

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
___ McCown's 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
___ 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.

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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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479 species

Of the 482 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.

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