

2001 Kennesaw Mountain Fall Summary

The Fall 2001 Summary is here just in time for the spring season. The format has once again changed as we attempt to simplify the presentation of all this data. The five year averages were rounded to the nearest whole and NC for the common dates denotes that this species is "Never Common." The season total is the sum of all daily totals, so a single bird reported on successive days may artificially inflate a total. Notes appear in the comment section when this occurrence was observed.

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|-----------|---------------|------------|---------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|---|
| DCCO | 1 | 2 | 10/20 | NC | 1 | 10/20 | 10 | 6th fall record, never many in fall |
| GBHE | 1 | 1 | 7/21 | NC | 1 | 7/21 | 1 | Never many |
| BLVU | | | | | | | | |
| TUVU | 13 | 28 | 8/19-11/9 | NC | 6 | 8/19 | 87 | 3rd low year in a row |
| OSPR | 1 | 1 | 8/2 | NC | 1 | | 1 | 9th fall record |
| NOHA | 1 | 1 | 9/29 | NC | 1 | | | |
| SSHA | 21 | 21 | 7/31-10/17 | NC | 3 | 9/15 | 5 | 3rd low year in a row |
| COHA | 12 | 10 | 7/21-11/07 | NC | 1 | | 2 | |
| ACC SP | 3 | 4 | 8/01-09/09 | NC | 1 | | | |
| RSHA | 1 | 8 | 9/25 | NC | 1 | | | Very low |
| BWHA | 3 | 116 | 7/31-9/15 | NC | 1 | 7/31 | 236 | No big hawk days |
| RTHA | 23 | 26 | 7/6-10/25 | NC | 2 | | 7 | |
| AMKE | | 2 | | | | | | |
| MERL | 2 | 3 | 9/25-10/8 | NC | 1 | | 2 | 14th and 15th fall records |
| PEFA | 2 | 2 | 9/24-10/7 | NC | 1 | | 1 | 20th and 21st fall records |
| KILL | 11 | 3 | 10/4 | NC | 10 | 10/4 | 10 | Best fall ever by far |
| BBCU | | 0 | | | | | | |
| YBCU | 43 | 27 | 7/6-9/26 | NC | 4 | 8/5 | 5 | Good numbers * |
| EASO | 3 | 3 | 7/22-8/7 | NC | 1 | | | |
| GHOW | 1 | 10 | 8/19 | NC | 1 | | | |
| CONI | 1 | | 9/15 | NC | 1 | | | |
| CWWI | | | | | | | | |
| CHSW | 2172 | 2088 | 7/6-10/17 | 7/6/10/7 | 125 | 8/19 | 300 | |
| RTHU | 420 | 245 | 7/8-10/4 | 7/17-9/14 | 16 | 8/18 | 16 | Abundant food compared to prev. dry years |
| RHWO | 3 | 9 | 9/14-10/1 | NC | 1 | | 5 | Low |
| YBSA | 58 | 20 | 9/30-11/9 | NC | 8 | 10/15 | 8 | Good numbers, new 1 day high ** |
| OSFL | 1 | 0 | 9/11 | NC | 1 | | 1 | 6th fall record |
| EAWP | 124 | 112 | 7/21-10/5 | 9/4-10/5 | 6 | several | 6 | Ties 1 day high |
| ACFL | | 0 | | | | | | |
| TRFL | 2 | 0 | 9/17-9/22 | NC | 1 | | | |
| EMP SP | 5 | 6 | 9/3-10/8 | NC | 1 | | | |
| EAPH | 22 | 10 | 10/1-11/3 | NC | 3 | 10/13 | 3 | Good numbers, ties 1 day high ** |
| GCFL | 4 | 8 | 7/21-9/15 | NC | 1 | | 2 | Never many in fall |
| MYAR SP | 1 | 0 | 10/15 | NC | 1 | | | Getting late for GCFL |
| EAKI | 2 | 0 | 7/31-8/1 | NC | 1 | | | New early by 28 days |
| WEVI | 91 | 56 | 7/6-10/6 | 9/8-10/3 | 4 | 9/8,10 | 8 | Good numbers, new early by 3 days * |
| YTVI | 38 | 47 | 7/8-10/16 | NC | 3 | several | 6 | Below average, no breeders |
| BHVI | 75 | 35 | 7/21-11/14 | 10/15- | 8 | 10/29 | 11 | Good numbers ** |
| WAVI | 2 | 1 | 9/26-9/27 | NC | 1 | | 1 | Same individual, 6th record |
| PHVI | 34 | 14 | 9/17-10/6 | 9/21-10/6 | 3 | several | 3 | Broke all records |
| REVI | 582 | 453 | 7/6-10/21 | 8/11-10/6 | 45 | 8/30 | 45 | Good year |
| PUMA | 9 | 8 | 7/8-8/21 | NC | 3 | 7/8,8/21 | 8 | |
| TRES | 2 | 8 | 10/16 | NC | 2 | 10/16 | 32 | 5th and 6th fall records |
| NRSW | 3 | 5 | 7/22-7/24 | NC | 2 | 7/22 | 6 | Never many in fall |
| BANS | 12 | 20 | 7/20-9/23 | NC | 4 | 7/24 | 29 | Low |
| RBNU | 2 | 5 | 9/14-10/5 | NC | 1 | 9/14,10/5 | 2 | 13th and 14th fall recs |
| WBNU | 189 | 69 | 7/8-11/14 | NC | 9 | 10/15,16 | | |

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| BHNU | 12 | 4 | 7/23-10/23 | NC | 2 | several | | |
| BRCR | 12 | 3 | 10/6-11/14 | NC | 2 | 10/27,28 | | New early by 6 days, 7th-18th ** |
| HOWR | 24 | 13 | 7/24-11/2 | NC | 2 | several | 5 | Good numbers, new late ** |
| WIWR | 30 | 8 | 10/7-11/9 | 10/25- | 4 | 11/7 | 4 | Good numbers, new late, ties 1 day high ** |
| MAWR | 1 | 0 | 10/16 | NC | 1 | | 1 | 1st record ever for KMT |
| GCKI | 482 | 136 | 10/13-11/14 | 10/15- | 41 | 11/6 | 41 | Good numbers, new 1 day high ** |
| RCKI | 314 | 129 | 8/24-11/14 | 10/15- | 30 | 11/6 | 50 | Good numbers ** |
| BGGN | 262 | 183 | 7/6-10/7 | 8/1-9/16 | 19 | 9/8 | 31 | Good numbers * |
| EABL | 63 | 14 | 8/23-11/9 | NC | 15 | 10/7 | | Good numbers ** |
| VEER | 28 | 15 | 8/29-10/3 | NC | 3 | 9/25 | 7 | New early by 1 day |
| GCTH | 29 | 13 | 9/18-10/26 | 9/20-10/6 | 3 | 10/2,6 | 10 | New late by 8 days |
| SWTH | 135 | 174 | 9/11-11/1 | 9/20-10/6 | 12 | 9/22 | 32 | New late date by 5 days |
| HETH | 64 | 16 | 10/19-11/14 | 10/28- | 8 | 10/29 | 11 | Good numbers ** |
| WOTH | 65 | 62 | 7/6-10/30 | 9/25-10/6 | 7 | 9/26 | 12 | Ties late date |
| GRCA | 223 | 141 | 7/20-10/25 | 9/24-10/7 | 13 | 10/1,2 | 31 | Good numbers |
| CEDW | 79 | 26 | 9/20-11/14 | NC | 55 | 11/8 | 55 | Good numbers, new 1 day high ** |
| SUTA | 302 | 199 | 7/6-10/25 | 7/17-10/3 | 11 | 9/13 | 16 | Good numbers, new late date by 7 days * |
| SCTA | 381 | 245 | 7/6-10/25 | 9/7-10/6 | 33 | 9/18 | 33 | Good numbers, new late day, new 1 day high |
| CHSP | 11 | 3 | 10/15-11/7 | NC | 5 | 10/15 | | |
| FISP | 2 | 1 | 10/28-11/1 | NC | 1 | several | | |
| SAVS | 1 | 0 | 10/18 | NC | 1 | | | 2nd mtn record, CCC field |
| SOSP | 10 | 5 | 10/12-11/14 | NC | 2 | several | | |
| LISP | 1 | 0 | 10/29 | NC | 1 | | | 4th record for mtn, all previous in fall |
| WTSP | 114 | 50 | 10/15-11/14 | 10/29- | 15 | 11/6 | | ** |
| DEJU | 33 | 20 | 10/30-11/14 | NC | 11 | 11/9 | | ** |
| RBGR | 177 | 164 | 9/15-10/19 | 9/18-10/4 | 22 | 9/26 | 29 | |
| BLGR | 1 | 1 | 9/16 | NC | 1 | | 1 | 7th fall record |
| INBU | 133 | 104 | 7/6-10/17 | 7/6-8/5 | 10 | 7/24 | 18 | |
| OROR | 7 | 2 | 8/13-9/4 | NC | 3 | 8/15 | 3 | Great year, 7th-13th fall records |
| BAOR | 15 | 31 | 8/20-9/21 | NC | 3 | 8/28 | 10 | Low numbers |
| PUFI | | | | | | | | |
| PISI | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| BWWA | 13 | 23 | 8/13-9/28 | NC | 2 | 9/18,28 | 6 | Declining trend *** |
| GWWA | 24 | 30 | 8/18-9/28 | NC | 3 | 9/14,23 | 6 | Declining trend *** |
| BREW | 1 | 0 | 8/30 | NC | 1 | | 1 | |
| TEWA | 876 | 532 | 8/24-11/3 | 9/3-10/25 | 70 | 10/17 | 70 | All-time high, new 1 day high, new late date** |
| OCWA | 11 | 5 | 10/19-11/14 | NC | 3 | 10/30 | 3 | New one day high, new late by 10 days ** |
| NAWA | 5 | 9 | 9/4-10/29 | NC | 1 | several | 3 | Low, new late by 11 days |
| NOPA | 23 | 32 | 8/15-9/28 | NC | 2 | several | 7 | Low numbers |
| YWAR | 1 | 2 | 9/3 | NC | 1 | | | |
| CSWA | 390 | 360 | 8/11-10/22 | 8/21-10/5 | 30 | 9/18 | 30 | Good numbers, ties 1 day high |
| MAWA | 170 | 190 | 8/25-10/26 | 9/4-10/5 | 12 | 9/8 | 23 | New late date by 1 day |
| CMWA | | 5 | | | | | | |
| BTBW | 35 | 17 | 8/19-10/26 | NC | 3 | several | 9 | Ties late date ** |
| YRWA | 74 | 33 | 10/7- | 10/19- | 10 | 11/14 | 20 | ** |
| BTNW | 566 | 353 | 7/17-11/2 | 9/11-10/23 | 16 | 8/30 | 36 | All time high, early coverage |
| BLBW | 196 | 174 | 8/6-10/27 | 9/2-10/16 | 14 | 9/14 | 21 | New late date by 2 days |
| YTWA | 17 | 10 | 7/19-10/14 | NC | 2 | 8/3 | 3 | Good numbers, no alb., new early by 11 days |
| PIWA | 220 | 99 | 7/6- | 9/4- | 10 | 10/1 | | |
| PRAW | 32 | 37 | 7/21-10/6 | NC | 3 | 8/30 | 8 | *** |
| PAWA | 15 | 14 | 9/24-10/23 | NC | 5 | 10/19 | 12 | |
| BBWA | 57 | 60 | 9/16-10/30 | NC | 4 | 10/23 | 39 | Numbers possibly cyclic |

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| BLPW | 1 | 3 | 10/5 | NC | 1 | | 1 | 16th fall record |
| CERW | 96 | 113 | 7/17-9/18 | 8/10-8/21 | 9 | 8/17 | 32 | Improvement from '00, but still down |
| BAWW | 206 | 191 | 7/19-10/20 | 8/10-9/27 | 9 | 8/21 | 19 | |
| AMRE | 398 | 278 | 7/17-10/16 | 9/4-10/7 | 37 | 9/14 | 37 | Good yr., new 1 day high, new early by 4 days |
| PROW | | | | | | | | |
| WEWA | 72 | 63 | 7/28-10/3 | 8/7-9/11 | 4 | 8/21 | 11 | |
| SWWA | | | | | | | | |
| OVEN | 20 | 22 | 8/15-10/20 | NC | 3 | 8/17 | 5 | |
| NOWA | | | | | | | | |
| LOWA | | | | | | | | |
| KEWA | 9 | 8 | 7/28-9/8 | NC | 2 | 9/8 | 4 | 1st KMT nesting * |
| CONW | | | | | | | | |
| MOWA | | | | | | | | |
| COYE | 12 | 15 | 9/11-9/29 | NC | 3 | 9/23 | 5 | *** |
| HOWA | 292 | 235 | 8/2-10/19 | 8/2-10/12 | 9 | 8/23 | 22 | Good year |
| WIWA | 2 | 3 | 9/4-9/5 | NC | 1 | | 2 | 10th fall record, same individual |
| CAWA | 20 | 19 | 8/11-10/2 | NC | 5 | 8/11 | 12 | New late by 1 day |
| YBCH | | | | | | | | |

* Higher numbers of this species were seen early in the season as a result of local breeders.

** Higher numbers of this species were seen as a result of phenomenal late coverage and the change in habitat covered as a result of the road closing. The road was closed on 10/16 and the coverage area was changed to include the CCC loop trail and the trails leading to the CCC.

*** Declining numbers of these "scrub" species may be the result of local changes in habitat in the open areas on the mountain. These areas of successional growth are becoming dominated by privet and other woody plant species which may potentially have adverse effects on certain species. This will be one of the trends we will attempt to monitor in the future.

The word of the season would have to be "coverage." Of the 116 days between 7/17 and 11/9 we had coverage on 97% of the days, missing only 4 days. This coverage produced a total count of 10381 up from 5492 in 2000. Warbler counts were up to 3668 from a paltry 1900 for year 2000. This year's numbers coincide nicely with the five-year averages for warblers. While the overall number looks good, we see that it is bolstered by good showings of species like TEWA, BTNW, BLBW, AMRE, HOWA and others. However, national trends continued to be mirrored here with declines in such species as CERW, BWWA and GWWA.

The closing of the road to the top and the subsequent change in covered habitat probably had the profoundest effect on the following species: BRRCR, WIWR, EABL, SAVS, TEWA, BTNW, PIWA. For each of these species, the habitat covered along the CCC loop trail is made up of a large quantity of pines and open areas for the EABL and SAVS. In the latter part of migration it appears as though TEWA and BTNW switch to feeding in pines and hardwoods instead of relying solely on hardwoods. We will continue to examine the effects of this change.

As always, we would like to thank everyone who birded the Mountain and reported their observations. A special thanks to Deb Zaremba and Pierre Howard for so many days of coverage. Thanks also to Bob Zaremba for keeping the database current. We look forward to seeing all of you in the spring and continuing the good "coverage."

This summary was compiled by Tom Egan and the final draft was edited by Giff Beaton. If you have any questions, suggestions or observations in regard to this data, please feel free to contact Tom or Giff.