



2009 Great Backyard Bird Count Data Form

PLEASE USE THIS FORM ONLY IF YOU DO NOT HAVE INTERNET ACCESS.

If you have Internet access, enter your counts at www.birdcount.org.

*Please fill in **all of the information** requested. Forms with incomplete information cannot be entered into the database.*

Where did you make your observations?

Postal code: _____ Town: _____ State/province: _____

Phone number (in case we need to contact you with any questions): _____

Name _____

Observation date and details

Important Note: Use a separate form for each day and location that you count. Do not add counts from different days or locations together.

(Circle one) Fri. 2/13 Sat. 2/14 Sun. 2/15 Mon.
2/16

Count start time: _____ A.M./P.M. **Total time:** _____ hours _____
minutes

I **AM** reporting every species I saw _____ I am **NOT** reporting every species I
saw _____

How many people participated in collecting the information you are
reporting? _____

The observer (or group) rates the ability to detect and identify all species present as:

FAIR_____ GOOD_____ EXCELLENT_____

Weather conditions for detecting birds in the habitats visited were:

POOR_____ FAIR_____ GOOD_____ EXCELLENT_____



Location type (Check **one** that is most appropriate):

Apartment ___ Feeders only___ Yard ___ Large garden___ Hike ___

Schoolyard___ Office___ Roadside___ City/county park___

Federal land___ Farm ___ Wastewater pond___ Industrial site ___

Audubon reserve_____ other nature reserve_____ Commercial property _____



Habitat(s) (Check **all** that apply):

Deciduous Woods___ Coniferous Woods ___ Scrub___ Grassland_____

Agricultural___ Freshwater___ Salt water___ Rural___ Suburban ___ Urban_____

Bird Counts

Please write the highest number of birds of each species that you saw together at any one time. For example, if you watched a flock of Dark-eyed Juncos for 15 minutes and saw 3 juncos at a feeder, then 5, then 2, you would report 5, the highest number you saw at once, next to the name, "Dark-eyed Junco." Do not add the numbers together (not 3 + 5 + 2).

You may write the bird species names and counts on a separate sheet of paper attached to this form. Be sure to use the species name (example, "White-crowned Sparrow," not "Sparrow.") Check a field guide if you need help with identification. If you still cannot identify the species, do not report it.

Thank you for participating in the Great Backyard Bird Count!

Mail forms to: Cornell Lab of Ornithology, Attn: GBBC, 159 Sapsucker Woods Road, Ithaca, NY 14850



