

# Bird Reported in Allegheny County — 2006

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A total of 222 species were reported in Allegheny County in 2006.

Highlights included Snow Goose, Red-throated Loon (fourth county record), three American Bitterns, Black-crowned Night-Heron, Black Vulture, first county record of Mississippi Kite, Sandhill Crane, a pair of breeding-plumage Red-necked Phalaropes (third and fourth county records), second records of Willet and Laughing Gull, and third record of Rufous Hummingbird.

Other notable birds were Northern Saw-whet Owl, Red-headed Woodpecker, Fish Crow, Common Raven, Prothonotary Warbler, two Connecticut Warblers, Blue Grosbeak, and Common Redpoll.

Ring-necked Pheasants always spark a discussion regarding their origin. Sustainable breeding populations are probably gone from the county; however, birds have been reported in areas where there is no hunting, adding confusion to this topic. On the other hand, the few Northern Bobwhites reported were certainly released birds, which never survive. Wild bobwhites have been extirpated in the county for many decades.

1. Snow Goose
2. Canada Goose
3. Tundra Swan
4. Wood Duck
5. Gadwall
6. American Wigeon
7. American Black Duck
8. Mallard
9. Blue-winged Teal
10. Northern Shoveler
11. Northern Pintail
12. Green-winged Teal
13. Redhead
14. Ring-necked Duck
15. Greater Scaup
16. Lesser Scaup
17. Surf Scoter
18. Long-tailed Duck
19. Bufflehead
20. Common Goldeneye
21. Hooded Merganser
22. Common Merganser
23. Red-breasted Merganser
24. Ruddy Duck
25. Ring-necked Pheasant
26. Ruffed Grouse
27. Wild Turkey
28. Red-throated Loon
29. Common Loon
30. Pied-billed Grebe
31. Horned Grebe
32. Double-crested Cormorant
33. American Bittern
34. Great Blue Heron
35. Great Egret
36. Green Heron
37. Black-crowned Night-Heron
38. Black Vulture
39. Turkey Vulture
40. Osprey
41. Mississippi Kite
42. Bald Eagle
43. Northern Harrier
44. Sharp-shinned Hawk
45. Cooper's Hawk
46. Red-shouldered Hawk
47. Broad-winged Hawk
48. Red-tailed Hawk
49. Rough-legged Hawk
50. American Kestrel

51. Merlin
52. Peregrine Falcon
53. American Coot
54. Sandhill Crane
55. Black-bellied Plover
56. Semipalmated Plover
57. Killdeer
58. Greater Yellowlegs
59. Lesser Yellowlegs
60. Solitary Sandpiper
61. Willet
62. Spotted Sandpiper
63. Semipalmated Sandpiper
64. Least Sandpiper
65. White-rumped Sandpiper
66. Pectoral Sandpiper
67. Dunlin
68. Short-billed Dowitcher
69. Wilson's Snipe
70. American Woodcock
71. Red-necked Phalarope
72. Laughing Gull
73. Bonaparte's Gull
74. Ring-billed Gull
75. Herring Gull
76. Caspian Tern
77. Common Tern
78. Forster's Tern
79. Rock Pigeon
80. Mourning Dove
81. Black-billed Cuckoo
82. Yellow-billed Cuckoo
83. Eastern Screech-Owl
84. Great Horned Owl
85. Barred Owl
86. Short-eared Owl
87. Northern Saw-whet Owl
88. Common Nighthawk
89. Whip-poor-will
90. Chimney Swift
91. Ruby-throated Hummingbird
92. Rufous Hummingbird
93. Belted Kingfisher
94. Red-headed Woodpecker
95. Red-bellied Woodpecker
96. Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
97. Downy Woodpecker
98. Hairy Woodpecker
99. Northern Flicker
100. Pileated Woodpecker
101. Olive-sided Flycatcher
102. Eastern Wood-Pewee
103. Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
104. Acadian Flycatcher
105. Willow Flycatcher
106. Least Flycatcher
107. Eastern Phoebe
108. Great Crested Flycatcher
109. Eastern Kingbird
110. White-eyed Vireo
111. Yellow-throated Vireo
112. Blue-headed Vireo
113. Warbling Vireo
114. Philadelphia Vireo
115. Red-eyed Vireo
116. Blue Jay
117. American Crow
118. Fish Crow
119. Common Raven
120. Horned Lark
121. Purple Martin
122. Tree Swallow
123. Northern Rough-winged Swallow
124. Bank Swallow
125. Cliff Swallow
126. Barn Swallow
127. Carolina Chickadee
128. Black-capped Chickadee
129. Tufted Titmouse
130. Red-breasted Nuthatch
131. White-breasted Nuthatch
132. Brown Creeper
133. Carolina Wren
134. House Wren
135. Winter Wren
136. Marsh Wren
137. Golden-crowned Kinglet
138. Ruby-crowned Kinglet
139. Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
140. Eastern Bluebird
141. Veery
142. Gray-cheeked Thrush

143. Swainson's Thrush
144. Hermit Thrush
145. Wood Thrush
146. American Robin
147. Gray Catbird
148. Northern Mockingbird
149. Brown Thrasher
150. European Starling
151. American Pipit
152. Cedar Waxwing
153. Blue-winged Warbler
154. Golden-winged Warbler
155. Tennessee Warbler
156. Orange-crowned Warbler
157. Nashville Warbler
158. Northern Parula
159. Yellow Warbler
160. Chestnut-sided Warbler
161. Magnolia Warbler
162. Cape May Warbler
163. Black-throated Blue Warbler
164. Yellow-rumped Warbler
165. Black-throated Green Warbler
166. Blackburnian Warbler
167. Yellow-throated Warbler
168. Pine Warbler
169. Prairie Warbler
170. Palm Warbler
171. Bay-breasted Warbler
172. Blackpoll Warbler
173. Cerulean Warbler
174. Black-and-white Warbler
175. American Redstart
176. Prothonotary Warbler
177. Worm-eating Warbler
178. Ovenbird
179. Northern Waterthrush
180. Louisiana Waterthrush
181. Kentucky Warbler
182. Connecticut Warbler
183. Mourning Warbler
184. Common Yellowthroat
185. Hooded Warbler
186. Wilson's Warbler
187. Canada Warbler
188. Yellow-breasted Chat
189. Scarlet Tanager
190. Eastern Towhee
191. American Tree Sparrow
192. Chipping Sparrow
193. Field Sparrow
194. Vesper Sparrow
195. Savannah Sparrow
196. Grasshopper Sparrow
197. Henslow's Sparrow
198. Fox Sparrow
199. Song Sparrow
200. Lincoln's Sparrow
201. Swamp Sparrow
202. White-throated Sparrow
203. White-crowned Sparrow
204. Dark-eyed Junco
205. Northern Cardinal
206. Rose-breasted Grosbeak
207. Blue Grosbeak
208. Indigo Bunting
209. Bobolink
210. Red-winged Blackbird
211. Eastern Meadowlark
212. Rusty Blackbird
213. Common Grackle
214. Brown-headed Cowbird
215. Orchard Oriole
216. Baltimore Oriole
217. Purple Finch
218. House Finch
219. Common Redpoll
220. Pine Siskin
221. American Goldfinch