



2024 Annual Midwest Crane Count Totals

Beginning in 1976 as the Columbia County Crane Survey, the Annual Midwest Crane Count has grown over four decades to include portions of seven states in the upper Midwest, including Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin.

We use the crane count data to study Sandhill Crane population trends and new areas where cranes are colonizing. The survey also is a powerful tool for creating awareness about cranes and their wetland habitats. **Thank you to all crane count participants and county coordinators for your continuing support!**

Learn more about the crane count and how you can get involved at cranecount.org.

State	# of Counties	# of Sites	# of Sandhill Cranes	# of Whooping Cranes	# of Counters
Illinois	18	111	473	2	150
Indiana	1	1	6	0	1
Iowa	9	21	242	0	36
Michigan	10	114	876	0	166
Minnesota	15	145	540	1	104
Ohio	32	746	412	0	216
Wisconsin	66	1,050	16,143	37	1,299
Total	151	2,188	18,692	40	1,972

Illinois

County	# of Sites	# of Sandhill Cranes	# of Whooping Cranes	# of Counters
Bureau	2	0		1
Carroll	3	9		4
Cook	2	3		2
DeKalb	6	4		8
DuPage	10	6		9
Kane	12	26		16
Lake	6	21		12
LaSalle	2	2		3
Lee	9	17		7
Marshall	2	2		2
McHenry	18	64		21
Ogle	2	2		5
Putnam	7	18		8
Stephenson	16	80		23
Whiteside	1	4		2
Will	4	5		10
Winnebago	8	210		14
Woodford	2	0		3
	112	473	0	150

Indiana

County	# of Sites	# of Sandhill Cranes	# of Whooping Cranes	# of Counters
Elkhart	1	6		1
Total	1	6	0	1

Iowa

County	# of Sites	# of Sandhill Cranes	# of Whooping Cranes	# of Counters
Allamakee	2	47		2
Bremer	10	96		17
Buchanan	1	3		1
Clinton	2	23		2
Dubuque	2	2		1
Jackson	1	38		1
Johnson	1	2		2
Jones	1	16		4
Scott	1	15		6
	21	242	0	36

Michigan

County	# of Sites	# of Sandhill Cranes	# of Whooping Cranes	# of Counters
Alger	18	115		25
Alpena	10	129		15
Houghton	13	136		28
Keweenaw	2	0		1
Marquette	30	99		43
Menominee	1	6		2
Oakland	2	6		2
Ontonagon	22	60		32
Presque Isle	7	87		10
Schoolcraft	9	238		8
	114	876	0	166

Minnesota

County	# of Sites	# of Sandhill Cranes	# of Whooping Cranes	# of Counters
Anoka	1	36		1
Chisago	4	44		8
Dakota	10	19		17
Douglas	1	0		1
Goodhue	11	14		8
Hennepin	15	35		16
Houston	10	83		17
Pine	7	49		6
Ramsey	1	0		1
Rice	2	6		2
Scott	4	3		2
Sherburne	71	218		14
Waseca	3	11		4
Washington	2	8	1	2
Wright	3	14		5
	145	540	1	104

Ohio

County	# of Sites	# of Sandhill Cranes	# of Whooping Cranes	# of Counters
Ashland	13	7		4
Ashtabula	15	1		3
Columbiana	35	0		8
Delaware	33	3		5
Erie	12	4		2
Franklin	63	5		18

Fulton	15	0		3
Geauga	22	48		15
Hardin	19	5		3
Holmes	11	28		4
Knox	23	17		7
Lake	19	0		8
Licking	9	0		5
Logan	11	2		4
Lorain	16	1		2
Lucas	66	56		18
Mahoning	36	6		12
Marion	2	3		2
Medina	51	14		14
Morrow	3	0		3
Ottawa	20	17		6
Pickaway	26	6		10
Portage	40	10		12
Richland	14	27		6
Sandusky	30	9		11
Stark	8	0		2
Summit	46	5		10
Trumbull	7	10		2
Tuscarawas	12	3		3
Wayne	42	106		10
Williams	12	13		2
Wyandot	15	6		2
TOTAL	746	412	0	216

Wisconsin

County	# of Sites	# of Sandhill Cranes	# of Whooping Cranes	# of Counters
Adams	1	1218		2
Ashland	8	15		5
Barron	10	61		17
Bayfield	2	6		3
Brown	29	211		47
Buffalo	4	90		5
Burnett	1	8		2
Calumet	1	10		1
Chippewa	13	76		14
Columbia	57	821		60
Crawford	4	27		6
Dane	82	1290		131
Dodge	64	330	2	21
Door	50	372	0	58
Douglas	3	16		4
Dunn	15	58		21
Eau Claire	15	60		27
Fond du Lac	4	27		3
Forest	11	46		16
Grant	1	4		1
Green	2	16		4
Green Lake	14	212	4	11
Iowa	1	6		2
Iron	7	27		8
Jefferson	81	909		124
Juneau	9	90	24	18
Kenosha	3	21		8
Kewaunee	4	44		5
La Crosse	12	151		19

Lafayette	1	7		1
Langlade	2	9		3
Lincoln	1	2		1
Manitowoc	11	161		20
Marathon	6	20	3	7
Marquette	15	106		16
Menominee	11	75		14
Milwaukee	5	3		5
Monroe	19	231		22
Oconto	9	76		10
Oneida	49	166		50
Outagamie	32	3125	0	45
Ozaukee	16	52		16
Pepin	6	28		6
Pierce	7	16		13
Polk	4	14		2
Portage	2	6		2
Price	27	65		16
Racine	6	9		8
Richland	29	187	0	37
Rock	10	121		10
Sauk	7	179	2	17
Sawyer	2	6		1
Shawano	21	1621		14
Sheboygan	20	193		25
St. Croix	18	108	2	23
Trempealeau	14	181		21
Vernon	20	87		26
Vilas	17	84		23
Walworth	21	255		37
Washburn	19	79		22

Washington	20	94		18
Waukesha	26	141		29
Waupaca	4	213		6
Waushara	3	178		3
Winnebago	40	1825	0	54
Wood	22	198		33
	1,050	16,143	37	1,299