

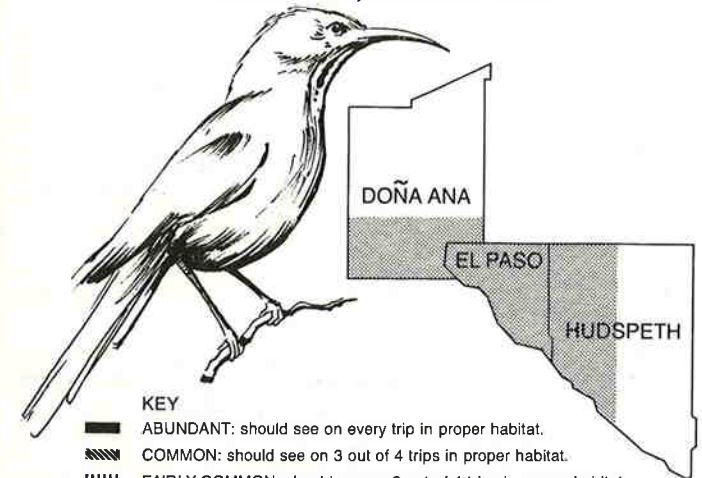
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	
Red-throated Loon											••	•••	••
Common Loon												•••	••
Least Grebe													
Pied-billed Grebe	*												
Horned Grebe													
Eared Grebe	*L												
Western Grebe													
Clark's Grebe													
American White Pelican													
Brown Pelican													
Double-crested Cormorant													
Olivaceous Cormorant													
American Bittern													
Least Bittern													
Great Blue Heron													
Great Egret													
Snowy Egret	*L												
Little Blue Heron													
Tricolored Heron													
Reddish Egret													
Cattle Egret	*L												
Green-backed Heron	*												
Black-crowned Night-Heron	*L												
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron													
White-faced Ibis	*L												
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck													
Tundra Swan													
Greater White-fronted Goose													
Snow Goose													
Snow Goose (blue form)													
Ross' Goose													
Canada Goose													
Wood Duck	*L												
Green-winged Teal													
Mallard	*												
Mallard ("Mexican" Duck)	*												
Northern Pintail	*L												
Blue-winged Teal	*L												
Cinnamon Teal	*L												
Northern Shoveler	*L												
Gadwall													
Eurasian Wigeon													
American Wigeon													
Canvasback													
Redhead	*L												
Ring-necked Duck	+L												
Greater Scaup													
Lesser Scaup													
Oldsquaw													
Surf Scoter													
Common Goldeneye													
Bufflehead													
Hooded Merganser													
Common Merganser													
Red-breasted Merganser													
Ruddy Duck	*L												
Masked Duck													
Black Vulture													
Turkey Vulture	*												
Osprey													
Mississippi Kite	*L												
Bald Eagle													
Northern Harrier													
Sharp-shinned Hawk													
Cooper's Hawk													
Northern Goshawk													

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Common Black-Hawk													
Harris' Hawk	*L												
Gray Hawk													
Red-shouldered Hawk													
Broad-winged Hawk													
Swainson's Hawk	*												
Red-tailed Hawk	*												
Red-tailed (Harlan's) Hawk													
Ferruginous Hawk													
Rough-legged Hawk													
Golden Eagle	*L												
American Kestrel	*												
Merlin													
Peregrine Falcon													
Prairie Falcon	*L												
Scated Quail	*												
Gambel's Quail	*												
Virginia Rail	*												
Sora	*												
Common Moorhen	*												
American Coot	*												
Sandhill Crane													
Black-bellied Plover													
Lesser Golden-Plover													
Snowy Plover	*												
Semipalmated Plover	*												
Killdeer	*												
Black-necked Stilt	*												
American Avocet	*												
Greater Yellowlegs													
Lesser Yellowlegs													
Solitary Sandpiper													
Willet													
Spotted Sandpiper													
Upland Sandpiper													
Whimbrel													
Long-billed Curlew													
Marbled Godwit													
Ruddy Turnstone													
Red Knot													
Sanderling													
Semipalmated Sandpiper													
Western Sandpiper													
Least Sandpiper													
White-rumped Sandpiper													
Baird's Sandpiper													
Pectoral Sandpiper													
Dunlin													
Stilt Sandpiper													
Short-billed Dowitcher													
Long-billed Dowitcher													
Common Snipe													
American Woodcock													
Wilson's Phalarope													
Red-necked Phalarope													
Laughing Gull													
Franklin's Gull													
Bonaparte's Gull													
Heerman's Gull													
Ring-billed Gull													
California Gull													
Herring Gull													
Thayer's Gull													
Western Gull													
Sabine's Gull													
Caspian Tern													

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Common Tern													
Forster's Tern													
Black Tern													
Rock Dove	*												
Band-tailed Pigeon													
White-winged Dove	*												
Mourning Dove	*												
Inca Dove	*												
Common Ground-Dove													
Ruddy Ground-Dove													
Black-billed Cuckoo													
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	*												
Greater Roadrunner	*												
Groove-billed Ani													
Common Barn-Owl	*												
Flammulated Owl													
Eastern Screech-Owl													
Western Screech-Owl													
Great Horned Owl	*												
Burrowing Owl	*												
Spotted Owl													
Long-eared Owl													
Short-eared Owl													
Northern Saw-whet Owl				</									

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KEY

- ABUNDANT: should see on every trip in proper habitat.
- ▨ COMMON: should see on 3 out of 4 trips in proper habitat.
- |||| FAIRLY COMMON: should see on 2 out of 4 trips in proper habitat.
- UNCOMMON: should see on 1 out of 4 trips in proper habitat.
- - - RARE: should see on 1 out of 10 trips or less in proper habitat.
- CASUAL: not expected annually; also includes out-of-season occurrences. Each dot represents an individual record, except where space limitations prevent it or where an extended period of casual status is shown by a string of uniformly spaced dots.
- ACCIDENTAL: 4 records or less.
- indicates a record of lingering vagrant individual or flock.
- / Irregular; absent in some years, but may be numerous others
- ★ Confirmed breeding
- + Suspected breeding
- L Localized breeder; breeds in only a limited number of favored areas
- Ly Localized year-round

NOTE: Solid lines (—) between species names separate avian families; dashed lines (---) separate subfamilies.

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This checklist covers El Paso County, Texas, plus approximately the western one-half of Hudspeth County, Texas (west of longitude 105° 30') and the southern one-third of Doña Ana County, New Mexico (south of latitude 32° 10'). It includes 374 species of birds and 10 additional identifiable forms documented as occurring in the area. Another 28 species are carried on the Historical (11), Exotics (7) and Hypothetical (10) lists below. Species names and taxonomic organization follow the American Ornithologists' Union *Checklist of North American Birds* (6th ed., 1983) as currently supplemented.

This list is our best effort to describe the current seasonal status of birds in the El Paso County area but is not the last word on the subject. A checklist evolves as field observers contribute new information to fill gaps in our knowledge or as changes in environmental conditions cause changes in the status of some species. You can contribute to future improvement of the list by reporting any new or unusual sightings to the El Paso/Trans-Pecos Audubon Society, P.O. Box 9655, El Paso, Texas 79986.

HISTORICAL

This checklist is based mainly on records acquired since 1976. Thus it gives current, not historical, status. Species documented as occurring in the El Paso area prior to 1976, but which have not been recorded since that year, include (date of last record in parentheses):

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| <i>Pacific Loon</i> (1966) | <i>Northern Pygmy-Owl</i> (1918) |
| <i>Wood Stork</i> (1937) | <i>Carolina Wren</i> (1958) |
| <i>Fulvous Whistling-Duck</i> (1940) | <i>Varied Thrush</i> (1956) |
| <i>Swallow-tailed Kite</i> (1951) | <i>Sprague's Pipit</i> (1958) |
| <i>King Rail</i> (1933) | <i>Golden-crowned Sparrow</i> (1974) |
| <i>Hudsonian Godwit</i> (1918) | |

EXOTICS

Species reported in recent years from the El Paso area, but which are believed to be either escaped or deliberately released exotic birds, include:

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| <i>Chukar</i> | <i>Green Jay</i> |
| <i>Ring-necked Pheasant</i> | <i>Purplish-backed Jay</i> |
| <i>Northern Bobwhite</i> | <i>Black-billed Magpie</i> |
| <i>Ringed Turtle-Dove</i> | |

HYPOTHETICAL

Species reported from the El Paso area but not yet documented include:

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| <i>Black-shouldered Kite</i> | <i>Downy Woodpecker</i> |
| <i>Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl</i> | <i>Eastern Wood-Pewee</i> |
| <i>Elf Owl</i> | <i>Yellow-bellied Flycatcher</i> |
| <i>Allen's Hummingbird</i> | <i>Gray Vireo</i> |
| <i>Green Kingfisher</i> | <i>American Tree Sparrow</i> |

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Solitary Vireo												
Yellow-throated Vireo												
Hutton's Vireo												
Warbling Vireo												
Philadelphia Vireo												
Red-eyed Vireo												
"Brewster's" Warbler												
Tennessee Warbler												
Orange-crowned Warbler												
Nashville Warbler												
Virginia's Warbler												
Lucy's Warbler												
Northern Parula												
Yellow Warbler												
Chestnut-sided Warbler												
Magnolia Warbler												
Cape May Warbler												
Black-throated Blue Warbler												
Yellow-r. (Myrtle) Warbler												
Yellow-r. (Audubon's) Warbler												
Black-throated Gray Warbler												
Townsend's Warbler												
Hermit Warbler												
Black-throated Green Warbler												
Blackburnian Warbler												
Yellow-throated Warbler												
Grace's Warbler												
Palm Warbler												
Blackpoll Warbler												
Black-and-white Warbler												
American Redstart												
Prothonotary Warbler												
Worm-eating Warbler												
Ovenbird												
Northern Waterthrush												
Louisiana Waterthrush												
Kentucky Warbler												
MacGillivray's Warbler												
Common Yellowthroat												
Hooded Warbler												
Wilson's Warbler												
Red-faced Warbler												
Painted Redstart												
Yellow-breasted Chat												
Olive Warbler												
Hepatic Tanager												
Summer Tanager												
Western Tanager												
Northern Cardinal												
Pyrrhuloxia												
Rose-breasted Grosbeak												
Black-headed Grosbeak												
Blue Grosbeak												
Lazuli Bunting												
Indigo Bunting												
Varied Bunting												
Painted Bunting												
Dickcissel												
Green-tailed Towhee												
Rufous-sided Towhee												
Brown Towhee												
Cassin's Sparrow												
Rufous-crowned Sparrow												
Chipping Sparrow												
Clay-colored Sparrow												
Brewer's Sparrow												

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Field Sparrow												
Black-chinned Sparrow												
Vesper Sparrow												
Lark Sparrow												
Black-throated Sparrow												
Sage Sparrow												
Lark Bunting												
Savannah Sparrow												
Baird's Sparrow												
Grasshopper Sparrow												
Le Conte's Sparrow												
Fox Sparrow												
Song Sparrow												
Lincoln's Sparrow												
Swamp Sparrow												
White-throated Sparrow												
White-crowned Sparrow												
Harris' Sparrow												
Dark-eyed (Slate-cool) Junco												
Dark-eyed (Oregon) Junco												
Dark-eyed (Gray-headed) Junco												
McCown's Longspur												
Lapland Longspur												
Smith's Longspur												
Chestnut-collared Longspur												
Bobolink												
Red-winged Blackbird												
Eastern Meadowlark												
Western Meadowlark												
Yellow-headed Blackbird												
Rusty Blackbird												
Brewer's Blackbird												
Great-tailed Grackle												
Common Grackle												
Bronzed Cowbird												
Brown-headed Cowbird												
Orchard Oriole												
Hooded Oriole												
Northern (Baltimore) Oriole												
Northern (Bullock's) Oriole												
Scott's Oriole												
Purple Finch												
Cassin's Finch												
House Finch												
Red Crossbill												
Pine Siskin												
Lesser Goldfinch												
Lawrence's Goldfinch												
American Goldfinch												
Evening Grosbeak												
House Sparrow												

Since these bar graphs were prepared, three additional species have been documented in the checklist area:

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| Piping Plover | 18 August 1987 |
| Mountain Plover | 24 March-1 April 1987 |
| Least Tern | 12-14 June 1987 |