

**Checklist of Birds - Macomb County, MI**  
**Updated 10/13/2008**  
**Total: 313 species**  
**Compiled by Brian McGee**

Species	County Status	Locations, Dates, Sources (see notes)
<b>GAVIIFORMES</b>		
GAVIIDAE		
Red-throated Loon	[C]	(MB), Metro Beach March 23 2007 - April 9 2007
Common Loon		
<b>PODICIPEDIFORMES</b>		
PODICIPEDIDAE		
Pied-billed Grebe	(B)	
Horned Grebe		
Red-necked Grebe	[C]	
Eared Grebe	[A]	
<b>PROCELLARIIFORMES</b>		
PROCELLARIIDAE		
Manx Shearwater	[A]	Armada Twp. August 2000 (MBRC)
PELECANIFORMES		
SULIDAE		
Northern Gannet	[A]	(TH)
PELECANIDAE		
American White Pelican	[A]	Metro Beach Sep 19-21 2007
PHALACROCORACIDAE		
Double-crested Cormorant		
FREGATIDAE		
Magnificent Frigatebird	[A]	Metro Beach Oct 26-28 1995 (MBRC)
<b>CICONIIFORMES</b>		
ARDEIDAE		
American Bittern		
Least Bittern	(B)	
Great Blue Heron	(B)	"Great White" Heron, Metro Beach July-Aug 1999
Great Egret		
Snowy Egret	[C]	
Little Blue Heron	[C]	
Tricolored Heron	[A]	May 19 1981, Metro Beach May 8 2006 (MBRC)
Cattle Egret	[A]	Metro Beach July 2006
Green Heron	(B)	
Black-crowned Night-Heron	(P)	
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	[A]	May 23 1981, Apr 20 1982 (MBRC)
THRESKIORNITHIDAE		
Glossy Ibis	[A]	Oct 23-25 1990, Nov 11-Dec 6 2001, Oct 15-16 2005 Metro Beach (MBRC)
CATHARTIDAE		
Turkey Vulture	(P)	
<b>ANSERIFORMES</b>		
ANATIDAE		
Greater White-fronted Goose	[C]	Stoney Creek January 1996
Snow Goose	[C]	
Ross's Goose	[C]	Metro Beach October 12, 2008 (JP)
Canada Goose	(B)	
Cackling Goose	[C]	Stony Creek November 2004 (BB), November 2007 (BM)
Brant	[A]	Metro Beach (TH)
Mute Swan	(B)	
Trumpeter Swan	[C]	(JS), (BB)
Tundra Swan		
Wood Duck	(B)	
Gadwall		
Eurasian Wigeon	[A]	May 5-8 1975, Sep 17 1982, Nov 29-30 1997 (MBRC)
American Wigeon		
American Black Duck		
Mallard	(B)	
Blue-winged Teal	(B)	
Cinnamon Teal	[A]	Chesterfield Twp. Apr 26-28 1982 (MBRC)
Northern Shoveler		
Northern Pintail		
Green-winged Teal		
Canvasback		

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Redhead		
Ring-necked Duck		
Greater Scaup		
Lesser Scaup	(P)	
King Eider	[A]	Dec 18 1976 (MBRC)
Surf Scoter		
White-winged Scoter		
Black Scoter	[C]	(MB)
Long-tailed Duck		
Bufflehead		
Common Goldeneye		
Barrow's Goldeneye	[A]	Metro Beach (TH)
Hooded Merganser	(P)	
Common Merganser		
Red-breasted Merganser		
Ruddy Duck	(P)	
<b>FALCONIFORMES</b>		
ACCIPITRIDAE		
Osprey		
Mississippi Kite	[A]	Metro Beach June 3, 2006 (AC)
Bald Eagle		
Northern Harrier	(P)	
Sharp-shinned Hawk		
Cooper's Hawk		
Northern Goshawk	[C]	(AC), (MB)
Red-shouldered Hawk	(P)	
Broad-winged Hawk		
Red-tailed Hawk	(B)	
Rough-legged Hawk		
Golden Eagle	[C]	2005 CBC, (MB)
FALCONIDAE		
American Kestrel	(B)	
Merlin		
Gyrfalcon	[A]	Chesterfield Twp., (RP)
Peregrine Falcon		
<b>GALLIFORMES</b>		
PHASIANIDAE		
Ring-necked Pheasant	(B)	
Ruffed Grouse	(P)	
Wild Turkey	(B)	
Northern Bobwhite	(B)	
<b>GRUIFORMES</b>		
RALLIDAE		
Yellow Rail	[C]	Metro Beach, (AC)
King Rail	[C]	7 records 1960 - 1987 (MBRC), (BB)
Virginia Rail	(P)	
Sora	(B)	
Common Moorhen	(B)	
American Coot	(B)	
GRUIDAE		
Sandhill Crane	(B)	
<b>CHARADRIIFORMES</b>		
CHARADRIIDAE		
Black-bellied Plover		
American Golden-Plover		
Semipalmated Plover		
Piping Plover	[C]	(AC)
Killdeer	(B)	
RECURVIROSTRIDAE		
American Avocet	[A]	Wetzel State Park June 12, 2004 (MK)
SCOLOPACIDAE		
Greater Yellowlegs		
Lesser Yellowlegs		
Solitary Sandpiper		
Willet	[A]	Metro Beach May 12, 1999 (MM)
Spotted Sandpiper	(B)	
Upland Sandpiper		
Whimbrel		
Hudsonian Godwit	[A]	(MB)

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Marbled Godwit	[C]	
Ruddy Turnstone		
Red Knot	[C]	(MB)
Sanderling		
Semipalmated Sandpiper		
Western Sandpiper		
Least Sandpiper		
White-rumped Sandpiper		
Baird's Sandpiper		
Pectoral Sandpiper		
Purple Sandpiper	[A]	DNR Access, Harrison Twp. January 9-14 2007
Dunlin		
Stilt Sandpiper		
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	[C]	(MB)
Ruff	[A]	May 12-16 1981 (MBRC)
Short-billed Dowitcher		
Long-billed Dowitcher		
Wilson's Snipe	(P)	
American Woodcock	(B)	
Wilson's Phalarope		
Red-necked Phalarope	[A]	(MB)
Red Phalarope	[A]	Metro Beach October 3-8, 2003 (MBRC)
LARIDAE		
Laughing Gull	[A]	Metro Beach May 22-June 18, 1999
Franklin's Gull	[A]	
Little Gull	[A]	(MB)
Bonaparte's Gull		
Heermann's Gull	[A]	Metro Beach Aug 26-Dec 12 1979, Oct 24-Dec 1980 , Oct 12-Nov 1 1981 (MBRC)
Ring-billed Gull		
California Gull	[A]	(MB)
Herring Gull		
Thayer's Gull	[C]	(JS), (MB)
Iceland Gull	[C]	
Lesser Black-backed Gull	[C]	(LH), (MB)
Slaty-backed Gull	[A]	(MB)
Glaucous Gull		
Great Black-backed Gull		
Black-legged Kittiwake	[A]	(MB)
Caspian Tern		
Common Tern	(P)	
Forster's Tern	(B)	
Black Tern	(B)	
ALCIDAE		
Thick-billed Murre	[A]	November 23, 1950 (MBRC)
<b>COLUMBIFORMES</b>		
COLUMBIDAE		
Rock Pigeon	(B)	
Mourning Dove	(B)	
<b>CUCULIFORMES</b>		
CUCULIDAE		
Black-billed Cuckoo	(B)	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	(B)	
<b>STRIGIFORMES</b>		
TYTONIDAE		
Barn Owl	[E]	Jan 5 1958, Jan 10 1960, winter 1973-1974 (MBRC)
STRIGIDAE		
Eastern Screech-Owl	(B)	
Great Horned Owl	(B)	
Snowy Owl		
Barred Owl	(B)	
Long-eared Owl		
Short-eared Owl		
Northern Saw-whet Owl		(MB)

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<b>CAPRIMULGIFORMES</b>		
CAPRIMULGIDAE		
Common Nighthawk	(P)	
Whip-poor-will		
APODIFORMES		
APODIDAE		
Chimney Swift	(B)	
TROCHILIDAE		
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	(B)	
Black Chinned Hummingbird	[A]	Ray Township May 9, 2003 (AC)
CORACIIFORMES		
ALCEDINIDAE		
Belted Kingfisher	(B)	
<b>PICIFORMES</b>		
PICIDAE		
Red-headed Woodpecker	(B)	
Red-bellied Woodpecker	(B)	
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker		
Downy Woodpecker	(B)	
Hairy Woodpecker	(B)	
Black-backed Woodpecker		Mt. Clemens, Dec. 5-19 1968 (AK)
Northern Flicker	(B)	
Pileated Woodpecker	(P)	Stony Creek
<b>PASSERIFORMES</b>		
TYRANNIDAE		
Olive-sided Flycatcher		
Eastern Wood-Pewee	(P)	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher		
Acadian Flycatcher	(P)	
Alder Flycatcher	(P)	
Willow Flycatcher	(B)	
Least Flycatcher	(P)	
Eastern Phoebe	(B)	
Vermilion Flycatcher	[A]	November 12 1972 (MBRC)
Great Crested Flycatcher	(B)	
Eastern Kingbird	(B)	
LANIIDAE		
Loggerhead Shrike	[A]	April 18, 1954 (AK)
Northern Shrike		
VIREONIDAE		
White-eyed Vireo		
Bell's Vireo	[A]	May 6-20 1982 (MBRC)
Yellow-throated Vireo	(B)	
Blue-headed Vireo		
Warbling Vireo	(B)	
Philadelphia Vireo		
Red-eyed Vireo	(B)	
CORVIDAE		
Blue Jay	(B)	
American Crow	(B)	
ALAUDIDAE		
Horned Lark	(B)	
HIRUNDINIDAE		
Purple Martin	(B)	
Tree Swallow	(B)	
N. Rough-winged Swallow	(B)	
Bank Swallow	(B)	
Cliff Swallow	(B)	
Barn Swallow	(B)	
PARIDAE		
Black-capped Chickadee	(B)	
Tufted Titmouse	(B)	
SITTIDAE		
Red-breasted Nuthatch	(B)	
White-breasted Nuthatch		
CERTHIIDAE		
Brown Creeper	(B)	

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TROGLODYTIDAE		
Carolina Wren		
Bewick's Wren	[A]	May 14 1982 (MBRC), St. Clair Shores
House Wren	(B)	May 2 1963 (AK)
Winter Wren		
Sedge Wren		
Marsh Wren	(B)	
REGULIDAE		
Golden-crowned Kinglet		
Ruby-crowned Kinglet		
SYLVIIDAE		
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	(B)	
TURDIDAE		
Eastern Bluebird	(B)	
Veery	(P)	
Gray-cheeked Thrush		
Swainson's Thrush		
Hermit Thrush		
Wood Thrush	(B)	
American Robin	(B)	
Varied Thrush	[A]	November 24, 1987 (BB)
MIMIDAE		
Gray Catbird	(B)	
Northern Mockingbird	(P)	
Brown Thrasher	(B)	
STURNIDAE		
European Starling	(B)	
MOTACILLIDAE		
American Pipit		
BOMBYCILLIDAE		
Bohemian Waxwing	[A]	(JS), Washington Twp, Bruce Twp, Armada Twp, March 1-6, 2008 (AR)
Cedar Waxwing	(B)	
PARULIDAE		
Blue-winged Warbler	(B)	
Golden-winged Warbler	(B)	
Tennessee Warbler		
Orange-crowned Warbler		
Nashville Warbler		
Northern Parula		
Yellow Warbler	(B)	
Chestnut-sided Warbler	(P)	
Magnolia Warbler		
Cape May Warbler		
Black-throated Blue Warbler		
Yellow-rumped Warbler		
Black-throated Green Warbler	(P)	
Blackburnian Warbler		
Yellow-throated Warbler	[C]	(JS), (MB)
Pine Warbler	(P)	
Prairie Warbler		
Palm Warbler		
Bay-breasted Warbler		
Blackpoll Warbler		
Cerulean Warbler	(P)	
Black-and-white Warbler		
American Redstart	(B)	
Prothonotary Warbler		
Worm-eating Warbler	[A]	(MB), (RP), Metro Beach April 26, 2008
Ovenbird	(B)	
Northern Waterthrush	(P)	
Louisiana Waterthrush		
Kentucky Warbler		
Connecticut Warbler		
Mourning Warbler	(P)	
Common Yellowthroat	(B)	
Hooded Warbler	(P)	
Wilson's Warbler		
Canada Warbler		
Yellow-breasted Chat		

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THRAUPIDAE		
Summer Tanager		
Scarlet Tanager	(P)	
EMBERIZIDAE		
Eastern Towhee	(B)	
Bachman's Sparrow	[A]	Metro Beach April 24, 1964 (RP)
American Tree Sparrow		
Chipping Sparrow	(B)	
Clay-colored Sparrow		
Field Sparrow	(B)	
Vesper Sparrow	(B)	
Lark Sparrow	[A]	(LH)
Savannah Sparrow	(B)	
Grasshopper Sparrow	(B)	
Henslow's Sparrow		
Fox Sparrow		
Song Sparrow	(B)	
Lincoln's Sparrow		
Swamp Sparrow	(P)	
White-throated Sparrow		
Harris's Sparrow	[C]	Shadbush Nature Center Jan. 2003, Clinton Township, May 7-9 2003 (BM)
White-crowned Sparrow		
Dark-eyed Junco		
Lapland Longspur		
Snow Bunting		
CARDINALIDAE		
Northern Cardinal	(B)	
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	(B)	
Indigo Bunting	(B)	
Dickcissel		
ICTERIDAE		
Bobolink	(B)	
Red-winged Blackbird	(B)	
Eastern Meadowlark	(B)	
Western Meadowlark	[C]	
Yellow-headed Blackbird	[C]	(MB)
Rusty Blackbird		
Common Grackle	(B)	
Brown-headed Cowbird	(B)	
Orchard Oriole	(P)	
Baltimore Oriole	(B)	
FRINGILLIDAE		
Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch	[A]	Romeo Feb 26- late Mar 1984 (MBRC)
Pine Grosbeak	[A]	
Purple Finch		
House Finch	(B)	
Red Crossbill	[C]	
White-winged Crossbill	[C]	
Common Redpoll		
Hoary Redpoll	[A]	St. Clair Shores February 1972 (MM), (AK), (RP)
Pine Siskin		
American Goldfinch	(B)	
Evening Grosbeak	[C]	
PASSERIDAE		
House Sparrow	(B)	

Status Key: [C] = Casual  
[A] = Accidental  
[E] = Extirpated  
(B) = Confirmed Breeder  
(P) = Possible Breeder

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