

The 75th consecutive Elizabethton Spring Bird Count was held on 5 May 2018 with 60 observers (the most ever) in 11-15 parties.

The area covered Carter Co and parts of adjacent Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, & Washington Cos.

We tallied 152 species, slightly better than the average of 149 over the last 30 years. The most ever was 166 species in 2016.

Notable misses this year were: N. Bobwhite, Sharp-shinned Hawk, & Kentucky Warbler.

The list:

Canada Goose 648  
Wood Duck 70  
Mallard 176  
N. Shoveler 1  
Gr. Scaup 1  
Bufflehead 1  
Red-br. Merganser 4  
Ruffed Grouse 4  
Wild Turkey 45  
Com. Loon 5  
Double-cr. Cormorant 144  
Great Blue Heron 123  
Great Egret 2  
Green Heron 29  
Black-cr. Night-Heron 2  
Yellow-cr. Night-Heron 8  
Black Vulture 121  
Turkey Vulture 167  
Osprey 12  
Bald Eagle 8  
Cooper's Hawk 8  
Red-shouldered Hawk 2  
Broad-winged Hawk 8  
Red-tailed Hawk 27  
Killdeer 41  
Spotted Sandpiper 37  
Solitary Sandpiper 35  
Gr. Yellowlegs 2  
Lsr. Yellowlegs 8  
Least Sandpiper 10  
White-rumped Sandpiper 1  
Ring-billed Gull 2  
Rock Pigeon 217  
Eur. Collared-Dove 10  
Mourning Dove 251  
Yellow-billed Cuckoo 17  
Black-billed Cuckoo 3  
E. Screech-Owl 8  
Great Horned Owl 2  
Barred Owl 8  
Com. Nighthawk 5  
Chuck-will's-widow 7  
E. Whip-poor-will 43  
Chimney Swift 185  
Ruby-thr. Hummingbird 51  
Belted Kingfisher 15  
Red-headed Woodpecker 10  
Red-bellied Woodpecker 129  
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker 5  
Downy Woodpecker 55  
Hairy Woodpecker 6  
N. Flicker 44  
Pileated Woodpecker 59  
Am. Kestrel 19  
E. Wood-Pewee 43  
Acadian Flycatcher 32  
Least Flycatcher 2  
E. Phoebe 82

Gr. Crested Flycatcher 31  
E. Kingbird 123  
Loggerhead Shrike 1  
White-eyed Vireo 21  
Yellow-thr. Vireo 10  
Blue-headed Vireo 86  
Warbling Vireo 17  
Red-eyed Vireo 280  
Blue Jay 231  
Am. Crow 377  
Fish Crow 2  
Com. Raven 22  
Purple Martin 82  
Tree Swallow 206  
N. Rough-wg. Swallow 131  
Barn Swallow 226  
Cliff Swallow 864  
Carolina Chickadee 197  
Tufted Titmouse 213  
Red-br. Nuthatch 11  
White-br. Nuthatch 44  
Brown Creeper 3  
House Wren 53  
Winter Wren 7  
Carolina Wren 225  
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 110  
Golden-cr. Kinglet 5  
Ruby-cr. Kinglet 2  
E. Bluebird 181  
Veery 15  
Gray-cheeked Thrush 1  
Swainson's Thrush 3  
Wood Thrush 109  
Am. Robin 844  
Gray Catbird 77  
Brown Thrasher 72  
N. Mockingbird 138  
Eur. Straling 921  
Cedar Waxwing 144  
Ovenbird 170  
Worm-eating Warbler 42  
Louisiana Waterthrush 37  
Northern Waterthrush 3  
Golden-winged Warbler 2  
Black-and-white Warbler 118  
Swainson's Warbler 3  
Tennessee Warbler 1  
Com. Yellowthroat 23  
Hooded Warbler 192  
Am. Redstart 12  
Cape May Warbler 4  
N. Parula 44  
Magnolia Warbler 7  
Blackburnian Warbler 11  
Yellow Warbler 34  
Chestnut-sided Warbler 18  
Blackpoll Warbler 5  
Black-thr. Blue Warbler 71  
Palm Warbler 5  
Pine Warbler 13  
Yellow-rumped Warbler 53  
Yellow-throated Warbler 43  
Prairie Warbler 14  
Black-thr. Green Warbler 97  
Canada Warbler 34  
E. Towhee 250  
Chipping Sparrow 137  
Field Sparrow 74  
Savannah Sparrow 2  
Grasshopper Sparrow 4  
Song Sparrow 322  
Swamp Sparrow 1

White-throated Sparrow 10  
White-crowned Sparrow 7  
Dark-eyed Junco 74  
Summer Tanager 3  
Scarlet Tanager 97  
N. Cardinal 376  
Rose-breasted Grosbeak 37  
Blue Grosbeak 6  
Indigo Bunting 148  
Dickcissel 2  
Yellow-br. Chat 10  
Bobolink 16  
Red-wg. Blackbird 546  
E. Meadowlark 144  
Com. Grackle 474  
Brown-hd. Cowbird 144  
Orchard Oriole 28  
Baltimore Oriole 35  
House Finch 96  
Pine Siskin 79  
Am. Goldfinch 382  
House Sparrow 47

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152 species

Thanks to all participants for a successful 75th anniversary count.

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