

The 80th Elizabethton Spring Count was held 6 May covering Carter Co. and parts of adjacent Johnson, Sullivan, Washington, & Unicoi Cos., with 35 observers in 16 parties and 2 feeder watchers.

We tallied 153 species, which is exactly the average of the last 20 years. The all-time high was 166 species in 2016.

The List:

Canada Goose 534  
Wood Duck 24  
Blue-wg. Teal 13  
Am. Wigeon 1  
Mallard 126  
Hooded Merganser 1  
Com. Merganser 2  
Ruffed Grouse 1  
Wild Turkey 33  
Rock Pigeon 102  
Eur. Collared-Dove 1  
Mourning Dove 194  
Yellow-billed Cuckoo 1  
Com. Nighthawk 1  
Chuck-will's-widow 12  
E. Whip-poor-will 17  
Chimney Swift 97  
Ruby-thr. Hummingbird 25  
Sora 1  
Killdeer 32  
Least Sandpiper 27  
Pectoral Sandpiper 3  
Semipalmated Sandpiper 2  
Wilson's Snipe 1  
Spotted Sandpiper 60  
Solitary Sandpiper 32  
Lsr. Yellowlegs 7  
Gr. Yellowlegs 3  
Com. Loon 8  
Dbl-cr. Cormorant 186  
Great Blue Heron 78  
Great Egret 1  
Green Heron 6  
Black-cr. Night-Heron 1  
Yellow-cr. Night-Heron 3  
Black Vulture 91  
Turkey Vulture 94  
Osprey 10  
Cooper's Hawk 9  
Bald Eagle 6

Red-shouldered Hawk 6  
Broad-winged Hawk 8  
Red-tailed Hawk 25  
E. Screech-Owl 7  
Great Horned Owl 1  
Barred Owl 4  
N. Saw-whet Owl 1  
Belted Kingfisher 15  
Red-headed Woodpecker 4  
Red-bellied Woodpecker 83  
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker 6  
Downy Woodpecker 33  
Hairy Woodpecker 8  
N. Flicker 33  
Pileated Woodpecker 31  
Am.Kestrel 4  
Great Crested Flycatcher 25  
E. Kingbird 70  
E. Wood-Pewee 13  
Acadian Flycatcher 7  
Least Flycatcher 14  
E. Phoebe 86  
White-eyed Vireo 17  
Yellow-thr. Vireo 7  
Blue-headed Vireo 54  
Warbling Vireo 18  
Red-eyed Vireo 221  
Blue Jay 197  
Am. Crow 294  
Fish Crow 11 -- reported by 6 parties  
Com. Raven 16  
Tree Swallow 193  
N. Rough-wg. Swallow 75  
Purple Martin 63  
Barn Swallow 146  
Cliff Swallow 530  
Carolina Chickadee 121  
Tufted Titmouse 148  
Red-br. Nuthatch 12  
White-br. Nuthatch 23  
Brown-hd. Nuthatch 1  
House Wren 63  
Winter Wren 7  
Carolina Wren 179  
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 69  
Golden-cr. Kinglet 3  
Ruby-cr. Kinglet 2  
E. Bluebird 159  
Veery 17

Swainson's Thrush 1  
Hermit Thrush 2  
Wood Thrush 74  
Am. Robin 661  
Gray Catbird 45  
Brown Thrasher 69  
N. Mockingbird 126  
Eur. Starling 540  
Cedar Waxwing 44  
House Sparrow 55  
House Finch 61  
Purple Finch 1  
Red Crossbill 3  
Pine Siskin 19  
Am. Goldfinch 249  
Chipping Sparrow 86  
Field Sparrow 34  
Dark-eyed Junco 44  
White-cr. Sparrow 1  
White-thr. Sparrow 9  
Savannah Sparrow 2  
Song Sparrow 252  
Swamp Sparrow 1  
E.Towhee 147  
Yellow-br. Chat 5  
E.Meadowlark 62  
Orchard Oriole 32  
Baltimore Oriole 32  
Red-wg. Blackbird 320  
Brown-hd. Cowbird 58  
Com.Grackle 322

warblers (27 species)  
Ovenbird 136  
Worm-eating 25  
La. Waterthrush 26  
Golden-wg. 4  
Black-&white 75  
Swainson's 11  
Tennessee 1  
Kentucky 3  
Com. Yellowthroat 28  
Hooded 152  
Am. Redstart 11  
Cape May 4  
N. Parula 47  
Magnolia 6  
Bay-breasted 1  
Blackburnian 6

Yellow 7  
Chestnut-sd. 15  
Blackpoll 2  
Black-thr. Blue 79  
Palm 1  
Pine 10  
Yellow-rumped 21  
Yellow-thr. 41  
Prairie 1  
Black-thr. Green 61  
Canada 35

Scarlet Tanager 55  
N.Cardinal 260  
Rose-br. Grosbeak 18  
Blue Grosbeak 3  
Indigo Bunting 88  
Dickcissel 2

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Thanks to all participants.  
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