

# KANSAS BIRDS: Species List for Elk County, KS

## GEESE, SWANS

- \_\_\_ Snow Goose
- \_\_\_ Ross's Goose
- \_\_\_ Greater White-fronted Goose
- \_\_\_ Cackling Goose
- \_\_\_ Canada Goose\*
- \_\_\_ Trumpeter Swan

## DUCKS

- \_\_\_ Wood Duck
- \_\_\_ Blue-winged Teal
- \_\_\_ Northern Shoveler
- \_\_\_ Gadwall
- \_\_\_ American Wigeon
- \_\_\_ Mallard
- \_\_\_ American Black Duck
- \_\_\_ Northern Pintail
- \_\_\_ Green-winged Teal
- \_\_\_ Canvasback
- \_\_\_ Redhead
- \_\_\_ Ring-necked Duck
- \_\_\_ Greater Scaup
- \_\_\_ Lesser Scaup
- \_\_\_ Bufflehead
- \_\_\_ Common Goldeneye
- \_\_\_ Hooded Merganser
- \_\_\_ Common Merganser
- \_\_\_ Red-breasted Merganser
- \_\_\_ Ruddy Duck

## QUAIL

- \_\_\_ Northern Bobwhite\*

## TURKEY, GROUSE, PHEASANT

- \_\_\_ Wild Turkey§
- \_\_\_ Greater Prairie-Chicken\*
- \_\_\_ Ring-necked Pheasant

## GREBES

- \_\_\_ Pied-billed Grebe
- \_\_\_ Horned Grebe

## PIGEONS, DOVES

- \_\_\_ Rock Pigeon§
- \_\_\_ Eurasian Collared-Dove\*
- \_\_\_ Mourning Dove\*

## CUCKOOS

- \_\_\_ Greater Roadrunner
- \_\_\_ Yellow-billed Cuckoo\*
- \_\_\_ Black-billed Cuckoo

## NIGHTJARS

- \_\_\_ Common Nighthawk§
- \_\_\_ Chuck-will's-widow§
- \_\_\_ Eastern Whip-poor-will

## SWIFTS

- \_\_\_ Chimney Swift§

## HUMMINGBIRDS

- \_\_\_ Ruby-throated Hummingbird\*

## RAILS, GALLINULES

- \_\_\_ Virginia Rail
- \_\_\_ Sora
- \_\_\_ American Coot

## CRANES

- \_\_\_ Sandhill Crane

## STILTS, AVOCETS

- \_\_\_ Black-necked Stilt
- \_\_\_ American Avocet

## PLOVERS

- \_\_\_ Black-bellied Plover
- \_\_\_ American Golden-Plover
- \_\_\_ Killdeer\*
- \_\_\_ Semipalmated Plover

## SANDPIPERS

- \_\_\_ Upland Sandpiper§
- \_\_\_ Long-billed Curlew
- \_\_\_ Hudsonian Godwit
- \_\_\_ Marbled Godwit
- \_\_\_ Baird's Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Least Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ White-rumped Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Buff-breasted Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Pectoral Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Semipalmated Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Long-billed Dowitcher
- \_\_\_ Wilson's Snipe
- \_\_\_ American Woodcock
- \_\_\_ Spotted Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Solitary Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Lesser Yellowlegs
- \_\_\_ Greater Yellowlegs
- \_\_\_ Wilson's Phalarope

## GULLS

- \_\_\_ Bonaparte's Gull
- \_\_\_ Franklin's Gull
- \_\_\_ Ring-billed Gull
- \_\_\_ Herring Gull

## TERNs

- \_\_\_ Caspian Tern
- \_\_\_ Black Tern
- \_\_\_ Forster's Tern

## LOONS

- \_\_\_ Common Loon

## CORMORANTS

- \_\_\_ Double-crested Cormorant

## PELICANS

- \_\_\_ American White Pelican

## HERONS

- \_\_\_ American Bittern§
- \_\_\_ Least Bittern
- \_\_\_ Great Blue Heron\*
- \_\_\_ Great Egret

- \_\_\_ Snowy Egret
- \_\_\_ Little Blue Heron
- \_\_\_ Cattle Egret
- \_\_\_ Green Heron
- \_\_\_ Black-crowned Night-Heron
- \_\_\_ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

## IBISES

- \_\_\_ White-faced Ibis

## VULTURES

- \_\_\_ Black Vulture
- \_\_\_ Turkey Vulture\*

## OSPREY, HAWKS, KITES,

## EAGLES

- \_\_\_ Osprey
- \_\_\_ Golden Eagle
- \_\_\_ Northern Harrier
- \_\_\_ Sharp-shinned Hawk
- \_\_\_ Cooper's Hawk
- \_\_\_ American Goshawk
- \_\_\_ Bald Eagle
- \_\_\_ Mississippi Kite
- \_\_\_ Red-shouldered Hawk
- \_\_\_ Broad-winged Hawk
- \_\_\_ Swainson's Hawk
- \_\_\_ Red-tailed Hawk\*
- \_\_\_ Rough-legged Hawk
- \_\_\_ Ferruginous Hawk

## BARN OWLS

- \_\_\_ Barn Owl

## OWLS

- \_\_\_ Eastern Screech-Owl
- \_\_\_ Great Horned Owl\*
- \_\_\_ Snowy Owl
- \_\_\_ Burrowing Owl
- \_\_\_ Barred Owl
- \_\_\_ Short-eared Owl

## KINGFISHERS

- \_\_\_ Belted Kingfisher§

## WOODPECKERS

- \_\_\_ Red-headed Woodpecker\*
- \_\_\_ Red-bellied Woodpecker\*
- \_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
- \_\_\_ Downy Woodpecker§
- \_\_\_ Hairy Woodpecker\*
- \_\_\_ Northern Flicker
- \_\_\_ Pileated Woodpecker

## FALCONS

- \_\_\_ American Kestrel\*
- \_\_\_ Merlin
- \_\_\_ Gyrfalcon†
- \_\_\_ Prairie Falcon

## FLYCATCHERS

- \_\_\_ Great Crested Flycatcher\*
- \_\_\_ Western Kingbird\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Kingbird\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Wood-Pewee\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Acadian Flycatcher§  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Alder Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Willow Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Least Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Phoebe\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Say's Phoebe

#### **VIREOS**

\_\_\_\_\_ White-eyed Vireo  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bell's Vireo\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-throated Vireo§  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Blue-headed Vireo  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Philadelphia Vireo  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Warbling Vireo  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red-eyed Vireo

#### **SHRIKES**

\_\_\_\_\_ Loggerhead Shrike\*

#### **JAYS, MAGPIES, CROWS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Blue Jay\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Crow\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Fish Crow

#### **CHICKADEES, TITMICE**

\_\_\_\_\_ Carolina Chickadee\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black-capped Chickadee\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Tufted Titmouse\*

#### **LARKS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Horned Lark\*

#### **SWALLOWS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Bank Swallow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Tree Swallow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ N. Rough-winged Swallow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Purple Martin\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Barn Swallow\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Cliff Swallow

#### **KINGLETS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Ruby-crowned Kinglet  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Golden-crowned Kinglet

#### **WAXWINGS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Bohemian Waxwing  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Cedar Waxwing

#### **NUTHATCHES**

\_\_\_\_\_ Red-breasted Nuthatch  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-breasted Nuthatch§

#### **CREEPERS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Brown Creeper

#### **GNATCATCHERS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher§

#### **WRENS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Bewick's Wren\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Carolina Wren\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ House Wren\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Winter Wren

\_\_\_\_\_ Sedge Wren  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Marsh Wren

#### **THRASHERS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Gray Catbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brown Thrasher\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Mockingbird\*

#### **STARLINGS**

\_\_\_\_\_ European Starling\*

#### **THRUSHES**

\_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Bluebird\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mountain Bluebird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Veery  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Swainson's Thrush  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Hermit Thrush  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Wood Thrush  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Robin\*

#### **OLD WORLD SPARROWS**

\_\_\_\_\_ House Sparrow\*

#### **PIPITS**

\_\_\_\_\_ American Pipit

#### **FINCHES**

\_\_\_\_\_ Evening Grosbeak  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Pine Grosbeak  
 \_\_\_\_\_ House Finch§  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Purple Finch  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Pine Siskin  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Goldfinch§

#### **LONGSPURS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Lapland Longspur  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Smith's Longspur

#### **SPARROWS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Grasshopper Sparrow\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lark Sparrow\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lark Bunting  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Chipping Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Clay-colored Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Field Sparrow\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Fox Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Tree Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Dark-eyed Junco  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-crowned Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Harris's Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ White-throated Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Vesper Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Henslow's Sparrow§  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Savannah Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Song Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Lincoln's Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Swamp Sparrow  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Spotted Towhee  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Towhee

#### **CHATS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-breasted Chat

#### **BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES**

\_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-headed Blackbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Bobolink

\_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Meadowlark\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Western Meadowlark  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Orchard Oriole\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Baltimore Oriole\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Red-winged Blackbird\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brown-headed Cowbird\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rusty Blackbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Brewer's Blackbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Common Grackle\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Great-tailed Grackle\*

#### **WARBLERS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Ovenbird  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Worm-eating Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Waterthrush  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Louisiana Waterthrush§  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black-and-white Warbler§  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Prothonotary Warbler\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Tennessee Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Orange-crowned Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Nashville Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Mourning Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Kentucky Warbler§  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Common Yellowthroat§  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Hooded Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ American Redstart  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Parula§  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Chestnut-sided Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Blackpoll Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Palm Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-rumped Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Yellow-throated Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Black-throated Green Warbler  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Wilson's Warbler

#### **GROSBEAKS, BUNTINGS**

\_\_\_\_\_ Summer Tanager§  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Scarlet Tanager  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Northern Cardinal\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rose-breasted Grosbeak  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Blue Grosbeak\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Indigo Bunting\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Painted Bunting\*  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Dickcissel\*

† Fewer than ten Kansas records

[ ] Hypothetical species

§ Probable breeding species

\* Confirmed breeding species

Probable and confirmed breeding species as defined by the Kansas Breeding Bird Atlas Project.

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More information on reporting rare birds can be found at the KBRC home page on the Kansas Ornithological Society's Web site at: <https://ksbirds.org>

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259 species

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