

# KANSAS BIRDS: Species List for Kansas

## WHISTLING-DUCKS

- \_\_\_ Black-bellied Whistling-Duck
- \_\_\_ Fulvous Whistling-Duck

## GEESE, SWANS

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

## DUCKS

- \_\_\_ Wood Duck
- \_\_\_ Garganey†
- \_\_\_ Blue-winged Teal
- \_\_\_ Cinnamon Teal
- \_\_\_ Northern Shoveler
- \_\_\_ Gadwall
- \_\_\_ Eurasian Wigeon
- \_\_\_ American Wigeon
- \_\_\_ Mallard
- \_\_\_ American Black Duck
- \_\_\_ Mottled Duck
- \_\_\_ Northern Pintail
- \_\_\_ Green-winged Teal
- \_\_\_ Canvasback
- \_\_\_ Redhead
- \_\_\_ Ring-necked Duck
- \_\_\_ [Tufted Duck]†
- \_\_\_ Greater Scaup
- \_\_\_ Lesser Scaup
- \_\_\_ King Eider†
- \_\_\_ Common Eider†
- \_\_\_ Harlequin Duck†
- \_\_\_ Surf Scoter
- \_\_\_ White-winged Scoter
- \_\_\_ Black Scoter
- \_\_\_ Long-tailed Duck
- \_\_\_ Bufflehead
- \_\_\_ Common Goldeneye
- \_\_\_ Barrow's Goldeneye
- \_\_\_ Hooded Merganser
- \_\_\_ Common Merganser
- \_\_\_ Red-breasted Merganser
- \_\_\_ Ruddy Duck

## QUAIL

- \_\_\_ Northern Bobwhite
- \_\_\_ Scaled Quail

## TURKEY, GROUSE, PHEASANT

- \_\_\_ Wild Turkey
- \_\_\_ Ruffed Grouse
- \_\_\_ Sharp-tailed Grouse
- \_\_\_ Greater Prairie-Chicken
- \_\_\_ Lesser Prairie-Chicken
- \_\_\_ Ring-necked Pheasant

## FLAMINGOS

- \_\_\_ American Flamingo†

## GREBES

- \_\_\_ Pied-billed Grebe
- \_\_\_ Horned Grebe
- \_\_\_ Red-necked Grebe
- \_\_\_ Eared Grebe
- \_\_\_ Western Grebe
- \_\_\_ Clark's Grebe

## PIGEONS, DOVES

- \_\_\_ Rock Pigeon
- \_\_\_ Band-tailed Pigeon†
- \_\_\_ Eurasian Collared-Dove
- \_\_\_ Inca Dove
- \_\_\_ Common Ground Dove
- \_\_\_ White-winged Dove
- \_\_\_ Mourning Dove

## CUCKOOS

- \_\_\_ Groove-billed Ani
- \_\_\_ Greater Roadrunner
- \_\_\_ Yellow-billed Cuckoo
- \_\_\_ Black-billed Cuckoo

## NIGHTJARS

- \_\_\_ [Lesser Nighthawk]†
- \_\_\_ Common Nighthawk
- \_\_\_ Common Poorwill
- \_\_\_ Chuck-will's-widow
- \_\_\_ Eastern Whip-poor-will
- \_\_\_ [Mexican Whip-poor-will]†

## SWIFTS

- \_\_\_ Chimney Swift
- \_\_\_ White-throated Swift†

## HUMMINGBIRDS

- \_\_\_ Mexican Violetear†
- \_\_\_ Rivoli's Hummingbird†
- \_\_\_ Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- \_\_\_ Black-chinned Hummingbird
- \_\_\_ Anna's Hummingbird†
- \_\_\_ Costa's Hummingbird†
- \_\_\_ Calliope Hummingbird
- \_\_\_ Rufous Hummingbird
- \_\_\_ Allen's Hummingbird†
- \_\_\_ Broad-tailed Hummingbird
- \_\_\_ Broad-billed Hummingbird†

## RAILS, GALLINULES

- \_\_\_ King Rail
- \_\_\_ Virginia Rail
- \_\_\_ Sora
- \_\_\_ Common Gallinule
- \_\_\_ American Coot
- \_\_\_ Purple Gallinule
- \_\_\_ Yellow Rail
- \_\_\_ Black Rail

## CRANES

- \_\_\_ Sandhill Crane

- \_\_\_ Common Crane†
- \_\_\_ Whooping Crane

## STILTS, AVOCETS

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

## PLOVERS

- \_\_\_ Black-bellied Plover
- \_\_\_ American Golden-Plover
- \_\_\_ Killdeer
- \_\_\_ Semipalmated Plover
- \_\_\_ Piping Plover
- \_\_\_ [Wilson's Plover]†
- \_\_\_ Mountain Plover
- \_\_\_ Snowy Plover

## SANDPIPERS

- \_\_\_ Upland Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Whimbrel
- \_\_\_ Eskimo Curlew
- \_\_\_ Long-billed Curlew
- \_\_\_ Hudsonian Godwit
- \_\_\_ Marbled Godwit
- \_\_\_ Ruddy Turnstone
- \_\_\_ Red Knot
- \_\_\_ Ruff
- \_\_\_ Stilt Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Curlew Sandpiper†
- \_\_\_ Red-necked Stint†
- \_\_\_ Sanderling
- \_\_\_ Dunlin
- \_\_\_ Purple Sandpiper†
- \_\_\_ Baird's Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Little Stint†
- \_\_\_ Least Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ White-rumped Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Buff-breasted Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Pectoral Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Semipalmated Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Western Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Short-billed Dowitcher
- \_\_\_ Long-billed Dowitcher
- \_\_\_ American Woodcock
- \_\_\_ Wilson's Snipe
- \_\_\_ Spotted Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Solitary Sandpiper
- \_\_\_ Lesser Yellowlegs
- \_\_\_ Willet
- \_\_\_ Spotted Redshank†
- \_\_\_ Greater Yellowlegs
- \_\_\_ Wilson's Phalarope
- \_\_\_ Red-necked Phalarope
- \_\_\_ Red Phalarope

## JAEGERS

- \_\_\_ Pomarine Jaeger†
- \_\_\_ Parasitic Jaeger
- \_\_\_ Long-tailed Jaeger†

**ALCIDS**

\_\_\_ Long-billed Murrelet†

**GULLS**

\_\_\_ Black-legged Kittiwake  
 \_\_\_ Sabine's Gull  
 \_\_\_ Bonaparte's Gull  
 \_\_\_ Black-headed Gull  
 \_\_\_ Little Gull  
 \_\_\_ Ross's Gull†  
 \_\_\_ Laughing Gull  
 \_\_\_ Franklin's Gull  
 \_\_\_ Short-billed Gull  
 \_\_\_ Ring-billed Gull  
 \_\_\_ California Gull  
 \_\_\_ Herring Gull  
 \_\_\_ Iceland Gull  
 \_\_\_ Lesser Black-backed Gull  
 \_\_\_ [Glaucous-winged Gull]†  
 \_\_\_ Glaucous Gull  
 \_\_\_ Great Black-backed Gull

**TERNs**

\_\_\_ Least Tern  
 \_\_\_ Gull-billed Tern†  
 \_\_\_ Caspian Tern  
 \_\_\_ Black Tern  
 \_\_\_ Common Tern  
 \_\_\_ [Arctic Tern]†  
 \_\_\_ Forster's Tern

**SKIMMERS**

\_\_\_ Black Skimmer†

**LOONS**

\_\_\_ Red-throated Loon  
 \_\_\_ Pacific Loon  
 \_\_\_ Common Loon  
 \_\_\_ Yellow-billed Loon†

**STORKS**

\_\_\_ Wood Stork

**FRIGATEBIRDS**

\_\_\_ Magnificent Frigatebird†

**BOOBIES**

\_\_\_ Brown Booby†

**DARTERS**

\_\_\_ Anhinga

**CORMORANTS**

\_\_\_ Double-crested Cormorant  
 \_\_\_ Neotropic Cormorant

**PELICANS**

\_\_\_ American White Pelican  
 \_\_\_ Brown Pelican

**HERONS**

\_\_\_ American Bittern  
 \_\_\_ Least Bittern  
 \_\_\_ Great Blue Heron  
 \_\_\_ Great Egret  
 \_\_\_ Snowy Egret  
 \_\_\_ Little Blue Heron  
 \_\_\_ Tricolored Heron

\_\_\_ Reddish Egret†  
 \_\_\_ Cattle Egret  
 \_\_\_ Green Heron  
 \_\_\_ Black-crowned Night-Heron  
 \_\_\_ Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

**IBISES**

\_\_\_ White Ibis  
 \_\_\_ Glossy Ibis  
 \_\_\_ White-faced Ibis  
 \_\_\_ Roseate Spoonbill

**VULTURES**

\_\_\_ Black Vulture  
 \_\_\_ Turkey Vulture

**OSPREY, HAWKS, KITES, EAGLES**

\_\_\_ Osprey  
 \_\_\_ White-tailed Kite†  
 \_\_\_ Swallow-tailed Kite  
 \_\_\_ Golden Eagle  
 \_\_\_ Northern Harrier  
 \_\_\_ Sharp-shinned Hawk  
 \_\_\_ Cooper's Hawk  
 \_\_\_ Northern Goshawk  
 \_\_\_ Bald Eagle  
 \_\_\_ Mississippi Kite  
 \_\_\_ Harris's Hawk†  
 \_\_\_ Gray Hawk†  
 \_\_\_ Red-shouldered Hawk  
 \_\_\_ Broad-winged Hawk  
 \_\_\_ Swainson's Hawk  
 \_\_\_ Red-tailed Hawk  
 \_\_\_ Rough-legged Hawk  
 \_\_\_ Ferruginous Hawk

**BARN OWLS**

\_\_\_ Barn Owl

**OWLS**

\_\_\_ [Flammulated Owl]†  
 \_\_\_ Western Screech-Owl†  
 \_\_\_ Eastern Screech-Owl  
 \_\_\_ Great Horned Owl  
 \_\_\_ Snowy Owl  
 \_\_\_ Burrowing Owl  
 \_\_\_ Barred Owl  
 \_\_\_ Long-eared Owl  
 \_\_\_ Short-eared Owl  
 \_\_\_ Northern Saw-whet Owl

**KINGFISHERS**

\_\_\_ Belted Kingfisher

**WOODPECKERS**

\_\_\_ Lewis's Woodpecker  
 \_\_\_ Red-headed Woodpecker  
 \_\_\_ Red-bellied Woodpecker  
 \_\_\_ Williamson's Sapsucker†  
 \_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Sapsucker  
 \_\_\_ Red-naped Sapsucker  
 \_\_\_ Amer. Three-toed Woodpecker†  
 \_\_\_ Downy Woodpecker  
 \_\_\_ Ladder-backed Woodpecker

\_\_\_ Hairy Woodpecker  
 \_\_\_ Northern Flicker  
 \_\_\_ Pileated Woodpecker

**FALCONS**

\_\_\_ Crested Caracara†  
 \_\_\_ American Kestrel  
 \_\_\_ Merlin  
 \_\_\_ Gyrfalcon†  
 \_\_\_ Peregrine Falcon  
 \_\_\_ Prairie Falcon

**FLYCATCHERS**

\_\_\_ Ash-throated Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Great Crested Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Great Kiskadee†  
 \_\_\_ Piratic Flycatcher†  
 \_\_\_ Cassin's Kingbird  
 \_\_\_ Western Kingbird  
 \_\_\_ Eastern Kingbird  
 \_\_\_ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ [Fork-tailed Flycatcher]†  
 \_\_\_ Olive-sided Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Western Wood-Pewee  
 \_\_\_ Eastern Wood-Pewee  
 \_\_\_ Yellow-bellied Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Acadian Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Alder Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Willow Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Least Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Hammond's Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Gray Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Dusky Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Cordilleran Flycatcher  
 \_\_\_ Black Phoebe†  
 \_\_\_ Eastern Phoebe  
 \_\_\_ Say's Phoebe  
 \_\_\_ Vermilion Flycatcher

**VIREOS**

\_\_\_ Black-capped Vireo†  
 \_\_\_ White-eyed Vireo  
 \_\_\_ Bell's Vireo  
 \_\_\_ Gray Vireo†  
 \_\_\_ Yellow-throated Vireo  
 \_\_\_ Cassin's Vireo  
 \_\_\_ Blue-headed Vireo  
 \_\_\_ Plumbeous Vireo  
 \_\_\_ Philadelphia Vireo  
 \_\_\_ Warbling Vireo  
 \_\_\_ Red-eyed Vireo

**SHRIKES**

\_\_\_ Loggerhead Shrike  
 \_\_\_ Northern Shrike

**JAYS, MAGPIES, CROWS**

\_\_\_ Pinyon Jay  
 \_\_\_ Steller's Jay  
 \_\_\_ Blue Jay  
 \_\_\_ Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay  
 \_\_\_ Mexican Jay†  
 \_\_\_ Clark's Nutcracker  
 \_\_\_ Black-billed Magpie

- \_\_\_ American Crow
- \_\_\_ Fish Crow
- \_\_\_ Chihuahuan Raven
- \_\_\_ Common Raven

### CHICKADEES, TITMICE

- \_\_\_ Carolina Chickadee
- \_\_\_ Black-capped Chickadee
- \_\_\_ Mountain Chickadee
- \_\_\_ [Juniper Titmouse]†
- \_\_\_ Tufted Titmouse

### LARKS

- \_\_\_ Horned Lark

### SWALLOWS

- \_\_\_ Bank Swallow
- \_\_\_ Tree Swallow
- \_\_\_ Violet-green Swallow
- \_\_\_ N. Rough-winged Swallow
- \_\_\_ Purple Martin
- \_\_\_ Barn Swallow
- \_\_\_ Cliff Swallow
- \_\_\_ Cave Swallow

### BUSHTITS

- \_\_\_ Bushtit

### KINGLETS

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

### WAXWINGS

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

### SILKY-FLYCATCHERS

- \_\_\_ Phainopepla†

### NUTHATCHES

- \_\_\_ Red-breasted Nuthatch
- \_\_\_ White-breasted Nuthatch
- \_\_\_ Pygmy Nuthatch
- \_\_\_ Brown-headed Nuthatch†

### CREEPERS

- \_\_\_ Brown Creeper

### GNATCATCHERS

- \_\_\_ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

### WRENS

- \_\_\_ Rock Wren
- \_\_\_ Canyon Wren†
- \_\_\_ House Wren
- \_\_\_ Pacific Wren†
- \_\_\_ Winter Wren
- \_\_\_ Sedge Wren
- \_\_\_ Marsh Wren
- \_\_\_ Carolina Wren
- \_\_\_ Bewick's Wren

### THRASHERS

- \_\_\_ Gray Catbird
- \_\_\_ Curve-billed Thrasher
- \_\_\_ Brown Thrasher
- \_\_\_ Sage Thrasher
- \_\_\_ Northern Mockingbird

### STARLINGS

- \_\_\_ European Starling

### THRUSHES

- \_\_\_ Eastern Bluebird
- \_\_\_ Western Bluebird†
- \_\_\_ Mountain Bluebird
- \_\_\_ Townsend's Solitaire
- \_\_\_ Veery
- \_\_\_ Gray-cheeked Thrush
- \_\_\_ Swainson's Thrush
- \_\_\_ Hermit Thrush
- \_\_\_ Wood Thrush
- \_\_\_ American Robin
- \_\_\_ Varied Thrush

### OLD WORLD FLYCATCHERS

- \_\_\_ [Northern Wheatear]†

### OLD WORLD SPARROWS

- \_\_\_ House Sparrow

### PIPITS

- \_\_\_ American Pipit
- \_\_\_ Sprague's Pipit

### FINCHES

- \_\_\_ Brambling†
- \_\_\_ Evening Grosbeak
- \_\_\_ Pine Grosbeak
- \_\_\_ [Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch]†
- \_\_\_ House Finch
- \_\_\_ Purple Finch
- \_\_\_ Cassin's Finch
- \_\_\_ Common Redpoll
- \_\_\_ Red Crossbill
- \_\_\_ White-winged Crossbill
- \_\_\_ Pine Siskin
- \_\_\_ Lesser Goldfinch
- \_\_\_ American Goldfinch

### LONGSPURS

- \_\_\_ Lapland Longspur
- \_\_\_ Chestnut-collared Longspur
- \_\_\_ Smith's Longspur
- \_\_\_ Thick-billed Longspur
- \_\_\_ Snow Bunting

### SPARROWS

- \_\_\_ Cassin's Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Bachman's Sparrow†
- \_\_\_ Grasshopper Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Black-throated Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Lark Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Lark Bunting
- \_\_\_ Chipping Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Clay-colored Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Field Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Brewer's Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Fox Sparrow
- \_\_\_ American Tree Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Dark-eyed Junco
- \_\_\_ Yellow-eyed Junco†
- \_\_\_ White-crowned Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Golden-crowned Sparrow

- \_\_\_ Harris's Sparrow
- \_\_\_ White-throated Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Sagebrush Sparrow†
- \_\_\_ Vesper Sparrow
- \_\_\_ LeConte's Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Nelson's Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Baird's Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Henslow's Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Savannah Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Song Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Lincoln's Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Swamp Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Canyon Towhee†
- \_\_\_ Rufous-crowned Sparrow
- \_\_\_ Green-tailed Towhee
- \_\_\_ Spotted Towhee
- \_\_\_ Eastern Towhee

### CHATS

- \_\_\_ Yellow-breasted Chat

### BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES

- \_\_\_ Yellow-headed Blackbird
- \_\_\_ Bobolink
- \_\_\_ Eastern Meadowlark
- \_\_\_ Western Meadowlark
- \_\_\_ Orchard Oriole
- \_\_\_ Hooded Oriole†
- \_\_\_ Bullock's Oriole
- \_\_\_ Baltimore Oriole
- \_\_\_ Scott's Oriole†
- \_\_\_ Red-winged Blackbird
- \_\_\_ Bronzed Cowbird†
- \_\_\_ Brown-headed Cowbird
- \_\_\_ Rusty Blackbird
- \_\_\_ Brewer's Blackbird
- \_\_\_ Common Grackle
- \_\_\_ Great-tailed Grackle

### WARBLERS

- \_\_\_ Ovenbird
- \_\_\_ Worm-eating Warbler
- \_\_\_ Louisiana Waterthrush
- \_\_\_ Northern Waterthrush
- \_\_\_ Golden-winged Warbler
- \_\_\_ Blue-winged Warbler
- \_\_\_ Black-and-white Warbler
- \_\_\_ Prothonotary Warbler
- \_\_\_ Swainson's Warbler†
- \_\_\_ Tennessee Warbler
- \_\_\_ Orange-crowned Warbler
- \_\_\_ Nashville Warbler
- \_\_\_ Virginia's Warbler
- \_\_\_ Connecticut Warbler
- \_\_\_ MacGillivray's Warbler
- \_\_\_ Mourning Warbler
- \_\_\_ Kentucky Warbler
- \_\_\_ Common Yellowthroat
- \_\_\_ Hooded Warbler
- \_\_\_ American Redstart
- \_\_\_ Cape May Warbler
- \_\_\_ Cerulean Warbler
- \_\_\_ Northern Parula

Magnolia Warbler  
 Bay-breasted Warbler  
 Blackburnian Warbler  
 Yellow Warbler  
 Chestnut-sided Warbler  
 Blackpoll Warbler  
 Black-throated Blue Warbler  
 Palm Warbler  
 Pine Warbler  
 Yellow-rumped Warbler  
 Yellow-throated Warbler  
 Prairie Warbler  
 Black-throated Gray Warbler  
 Townsend's Warbler  
 Hermit Warbler†  
 Black-throated Green Warbler  
 Canada Warbler  
 Wilson's Warbler  
 Painted Redstart†

### GROSBEAKS, BUNTINGS

Hepatic Tanager†  
 Summer Tanager  
 Scarlet Tanager  
 Western Tanager  
 Northern Cardinal  
 Pyrrhuloxia†  
 Rose-breasted Grosbeak  
 Black-headed Grosbeak  
 Blue Grosbeak  
 Lazuli Bunting  
 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.

This list was compiled from records of the Kansas Ornithological Society, Kansas Breeding Bird Atlas Project, and the Kansas Biological Survey.

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A record for Taiga/Tundra Bean Goose (*Anser fabalis*/*Anser serrirostris*) was accepted in 2020. However, since it wasn't accepted at the species level it will not be added to the KOS Check-list at this time.

Of the 483 species documented to have occurred in Kansas, three species are not included on this list because they no longer occur. The Passenger Pigeon and Carolina Parakeet are extinct, and the Gunnison Sage-Grouse has been extirpated from the state.

The taxonomic sequence and nomenclature used in this list follow the *Check-list of North American Birds*, 7<sup>th</sup> edition, American Ornithologists Union, 1998, updated through the 62<sup>nd</sup> Supplement, 2021, *The Auk*, Volume 138, 2021, pp. 1–18 DOI: 10.1093/ornithology/ukab037