Snowy Owl - Annual populations vary. Uncommon to common	Violet-green Swallow - Casual visitor on coastal plain. Uncommor
permanent resident and occasional rare breeder on coastal	breeder in Brooks Range and on south side.
plain. Breeding occurs in years of high lemming populations.	Bank Swallow - Casual visitor on coastal plain. Uncommon in
Rare visitor in Brooks Range.	Brooks Range and on south side, where it may breed (*).
Northern Hawk-Owl – Uncommon permanent resident on south side. Great Grey Owl – Rare permanent resident on south side, where	Cliff Swallow - Rare visitor on coastal plain, where it may breed
it may breed (*).	(*). Fairly common breeder in Brooks Range and on south side. Barn Swallow – Casual visitor on coastal plain.
Short-eared Owl – Uncommon to common breeder on coastal	Barn Swanow - Casuai visitor on coastai piani.
plain. Breeding occurs in years of high lemming populations.	CHICKADEES
Fairly common in Brooks Range. Rare summer visitor on south	Black-capped Chickadee – Uncommon permanent resident on
side, where it may breed (*).	south side.
Boreal Owl - Uncommon permanent resident on south side, where	Boreal Chickadee - Rare visitor in Brooks Range. Uncommon
it may breed (*).	permanent resident on south side.
	Gray-headed Chickadee - Uncommon permanent resident in
GOATSUCKERS	Brooks Range and on south side.
Common Nighthawk – Casual visitor on coastal plain.	MUTHATCHEC
HUMMINGBIRDS	NUTHATCHES Red-breasted Nuthatch – Casual visitor on south side.
Ruby-throated Hummingbird – Accidental visitor in Brooks Range.	rea-breasted realistics — Castan visitor on south side.
Rufous Hummingbird – Accidental visitor on coastal plain.	DIPPERS
	American Dipper - Uncommon permanent resident throughout
KINGFISHERS	Refuge, except along coast.
Belted Kingfisher – Casual visitor on coastal plain. Uncommon	
summer resident on south side, where it may breed (*).	KINGLETS, OLD WORLD WARBLERS, AND THRUSHES
	Ruby-crowned Kinglet – Uncommon visitor in Brooks Range.
WOODPECKERS	Common breeder on south side.
Downy Woodpecker - Rare permanent resident on south side,	Arctic Warbler - Rare in Brooks Range, where it may breed (*).
where it may breed (*). Hairy Woodpecker – Rare permanent resident on south side,	Uncommon breeder on south side. Bluethroat – Rare breeder on inland coastal plain. Rare visitor in
where it may breed (*).	Brooks Range.
American Three-toed Woodpecker – Uncommon breeder on south	Northern Wheatear – Rare visitor on coastal plain. Uncommon
side.	breeder in Brooks Range.
Black-backed Woodpecker - Rare permanent resident on south	
side, where it may breed (*).	
Northern Flicker – Uncommon breeder in Brooks Range and on	
south side.	
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TYRANT FLYCATCHERS	
Olive-sided Flycatcher – Uncommon on south side, where it may breed (*).	
Alder Flycatcher – Common breeder on south side.	
Hammond's Flycatcher – Accidental visitor on coastal plain.	
Uncommon on south side, where it may breed (*).	S Na
Eastern Phoebe – Accidental visitor on coastal plain.	S S
Say's Phoebe – Rare visitor on coastal plain. Fairly common	Northern Wheatear
breeder in Brooks Range.	
Eastern Kingbird - Accidental visitor on coastal plain and in	Townsend's Solitaire – Uncommon visitor in Brooks Range.
Brooks Range.	Uncommon on south side, where it may breed (*).
SHRIKES	Gray-cheeked Thrush – Rare visitor on coastal plain and in Brooks Range. Common breeder on south side.
Northern Shrike – Rare visitor on inland coastal plain, where it	Swainson's Thrush – Common breeder on south side.
may breed (*). Fairly common breeder in Brooks Range and on	Hermit Thrush – Accidental visitor on coastal plain. Uncommon or
south side.	south side, where it may breed (*).
	American Robin - Rare visitor to coast. Uncommon breeder
CORVIDS	on inland coastal plain. Common breeder in Brooks Range.
Gray Jay – Casual visitor on coastal plain. Uncommon breeder in	Abundant breeder on south side.
Brooks Range. Common permanent resident on south side.	Varied Thrush - Casual visitor on coastal plain and in Brooks
Common Raven – Uncommon permanent resident and possible	Range. Common breeder on south side.
rare breeder (*) on coastal plain. Uncommon permanent resident	MACTALL C. DIDITO
in Brooks Range and on south side, where it may breed (*).	WAGTAILS, PIPITS Factory Vallow Wagtail Fairly common broader on coastal
LARKS	Eastern Yellow Wagtail – Fairly common breeder on coastal plain. Rare visitor on south side.
Horned Lark – Rare breeder inland and visitor elsewhere on	American Pipit – Rare breeder and uncommon fall migrant on
coastal plain. Fairly common breeder in Brooks Range. Rare	coastal plain. Abundant breeder in Brooks Range.
visitor on south side.	1
	WAXWINGS
SWALLOWS	Bohemian Waxwing – Casual visitor in Brooks Range. Fairly
Tree Swallow Casual visitor on coastal plain Uncommon on	common summor resident on south side, where it may breed (*)

Cedar Waxwing - Accidental visitor on coastal plain

south side, where it may breed (*).

WOOD WARBLERS, SPARROWS, BUNTINGS, BLACKBIRDS

Orange-crowned Warbler – Casual visitor on coastal plain. Fairly common breeder on south side.

Yellow Warbler – Rare visitor to coast. Rare breeder on inland coastal plain. Uncommon breeder in Brooks Range. Fairly common breeder on south side.

____Yellow-rumped Warbler – Casual visitor on coastal plain.
Uncommon in Brooks Range. Common breeder on south side.

___Blackpoll Warbler - Uncommon on south side, where it may breed (*).

____Northern Waterthrush – Casual visitor on coastal plain.
Uncommon on south side, where it may breed (*).

___ Wilson's Warbler – Rare visitor on coastal plain and in Brooks Range. Uncommon breeder on south side.

Western Tanager - Accidental visitor in Brooks Range.

American Tree Sparrow – Rare visitor to coast. Common breeder on inland coastal plain. Abundant breeder in Brooks Range and on south side.

Chipping Sparrow - Casual visitor on coastal plain.

Clay-colored Sparrow – Accidental visitor on coastal plain.

Savannah Sparrow – Common breeder on coastal plain, in Brooks
Range and on south side.

__ Fox Sparrow - Rare visitor to coast. Rare breeder on inland coastal plain. Common breeder in Brooks Range and on south side.

___ Lincoln's Sparrow – Rare visitor on south side.

White-throated Sparrow – Casual visitor on coastal plain.

White-crowned Sparrow – Rare visitor along coast. Uncommon breeder on inland coastal plain. Common breeder in Brooks Range. Abundant breeder on south side.

__ Golden-crowned Sparrow – Rare in Brooks Range, where it may breed (*). Uncommon breeder on south side.

___ Dark-eyed Junco – Rare visitor on coastal plain and in Brooks Range. Abundant breeder on south side.

___ Lapland Longspur – Abundant breeder on coastal plain and in Brooks Range. Uncommon migrant on south side.

_ Smith's Longspur - Rare visitor on coastal plain. Fairly common breeder in Brooks Range and on south side.

Snow Bunting – Common breeder along coast and in Brooks Range.
Red-winged Blackbird – Casual visitor on coastal plain and in Brooks Range.

___ Rusty Blackbird - Casual visitor on coastal plain. Rare visitor in Brooks Range. Uncommon breeder on south side

___ Brown-headed Cowbird - Casual visitor on coastal plain.

FINCHES

___ Gray-crowned Rosy-finch – Fairly common breeder in Brooks Range. Uncommon summer resident on south side, where it may breed (*).

___ Pine Grosbeak - Uncommon permanent resident on south side, where it may breed (*).

____ White-winged Crossbill – Common permanent resident on south side.

___ Common Redpoll – Common breeder on coastal plain, in Brooks Range and on south side. Permanent resident on south side.

___ Hoary Redpoll - Common breeder on coastal plain, in Brooks
Range and on south side. Permanent resident on south side.

__ Pine Siskin - Casual visitor on coastal plain. Rare visitor on south side.

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Arctic National Wildlife Refuge

Bird List



195 bird species have been recorded on the Arctic Refuge. This list describes their status and abundance. Many birds migrate outside of the Refuge in the winter, so unless otherwise noted the information is for spring, summer or fall.

REGIONS OF THE REFUGE

Coastal Plain – The area between the coast and the Brooks Range.

This area is sometimes split in to the coast (the lagoons, barrier islands and Beaufort Sea areas) and inland (upland areas near the foothills of the Brooks Range).

Brooks Range – The mountains, valleys, and foothills north and south of the continental divide.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{South Side} - The foothills, taiga and boreal forest south of the Brooks \\ Range. \\ \end{tabular}$

STATUS

Permanent Resident – Present throughout the year and breeds in the area

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Summer Resident}-\textbf{Only present during the period from May to}\\ \textbf{September}. \end{tabular}$

Migrant - Travels through on the way to wintering or breeding areas.

Breeder – Documented as a breeding species.

Visitor – Present as a non-breeding species.

* – Not Documented.

ABUNDANCE

Abundant - Very numerous in suitable habitats.

Common - Very likely to be seen or heard in suitable habitats.

Fairly Common – Numerous but not always present in suitable habitats.

Uncommon – Occurs regularly, but not always observed either because

of lower abundance or secretive behaviors.

Rare – Occurs regularly but in very small numbers so not commonly

observed.

Casual - Beyond its normal range but irregularly observed.

Accidental - Far from its normal range. Further observations unlikely.

GEESE, SWANS, DUCKS	Red-breasted Merganser - Rare breeder and fairly common	COOTS, RAILS	Long-billed Dowitcher – Uncommon breeder and fairly common
Greater White-fronted Goose – Common spring/fall migrant and	migrant on coast. Fairly common breeder on inland coastal	American Coot – Rare visitor on south side.	summer visitor on coastal plain. Common fall migrant along
uncommon breeder on coastal plain. Rare migrant in Brooks	plain. Fairly common breeder in Brooks Range. Common on		coast. Uncommon migrant on south side.
Range. Common spring migrant on south side.	south side, where it may breed (*).	CRANES	Wilson's Snipe – Rare visitor on coastal plain. Fairly common in
Snow Goose – Common spring migrant, rare summer visitor and abundant fall migrant on coastal plain. Uncommon spring	GROUSE, PTARMIGAN	Sandhill Crane – Rare breeder and uncommon summer resident on coastal plain. Rare visitor in Brooks Range. Uncommon on	Brooks Range. May breed in both these areas (*). Common breeder on south side.
migrant on south side.	Ruffed Grouse – Rare permanent resident on south side, where it	south side, where it may breed (*).	Wilson's Phalarope – Accidental visitor on coastal plain.
Ross's Goose – Casual spring migrant on coastal plain.	may breed (*).	south study where to may street ().	Red-necked Phalarope – Common breeder on coastal plain and
Hypothetical fall migrant (*).	Spruce Grouse – Uncommon permanent resident on south side.	SHOREBIRDS	south side. Common to abundant fall migrant along coast.
Brant - Uncommon breeder and common migrant to coast.	Willow Ptarmigan - Uncommon permanent resident along coast.	Black-bellied Plover - Rare breeder and migrant on coastal plain.	Uncommon breeder in Brooks Range.
Cackling Goose (formerly a subspecies of Canada Goose)	Common to abundant permanent resident elsewhere on Refuge.	Fairly common fall migrant along coast. Rare visitor in Brooks	
- Common breeder and migrant on coastal plain.	Rock Ptarmigan – Common permanent resident in all areas of Refuge.	Range.	
Canada Goose – Uncommon breeder on south side. Rare migrant in Brooks Range.	Sharp-tailed Grouse – Annual populations vary. Uncommon	American Golden-Plover – Common breeder on coastal plain and in Brooks Range. Rare visitor on south side.	AND THE RESERVE TO SERVE THE PARTY OF THE PA
Trumpeter Swan – Casual breeder and visitor on coastal plain.	permanent resident on south side, where it may breed (*).	Semipalmated Plover – Uncommon breeder on coastal islands.	
Uncommon on south side, where it may breed (*).		Fairly common breeder on inland coastal plain. Rare visitor	
Tundra Swan – Common breeder on coastal plain. Uncommon	LOONS	elsewhere on coastal plain. Common breeder in Brooks Range	
migrant on south side.	Red-throated Loon - Fairly common breeder and migrant along	and on south side.	A33
Gadwall - Casual visitor on coastal plain.	coast. Rare breeder in Brooks Range and on south side.	Killdeer – Casual visitor on coastal plain.	TWS.
Eurasian Wigeon – Casual visitor on coastal plain.	Pacific Loon - Common breeder on coastal plain and south side.	Eurasian Dotterel – Casual visitor on coastal plain.	S
American Wigeon – Uncommon migrant on coastal plain. Uncommon in Brooks Range, where it may breed (*). Common	Common migrant along coast. Uncommon breeder in Brooks Range.	Lesser Yellowlegs – Casual visitor along coast. Uncommon in Brooks Range, where it may breed (*). Common breeder on	Red-necked Phalarope
breeder on south side.	Common Loon – Rare visitor along coast. Rare on south side,	south side.	Red Phalarope - Fairly common breeder in coastal areas, east to
Mallard – Rare breeder on inland coastal plain. Uncommon	where it may breed (*).	Solitary Sandpiper – Rare in Brooks Range, where it may breed	Jago Delta. Uncommon elsewhere on coastal plain. Uncommon
elsewhere on coastal plain, in Brooks Range and on south side.	Yellow-billed Loon – Uncommon migrant to coast. Rare migrant	(*). Uncommon breeder on south side.	fall migrant along coast.
Northern Shoveler - Uncommon visitor on coastal plain and south	on inland coastal plain. Rare visitor in Brooks Range and rare	Wandering Tattler – Uncommon breeder on inland coastal plain.	
side. May breed in these areas (*). Rare visitor in Brooks	breeder on larger lakes in this area.	Common breeder in Brooks Range. Fairly common breeder on	JAEGERS, GULLS, TERNS
Range.		south side.	Pomarine Jaeger - Common spring migrant, summer visitor, and
Northern Pintail - Common breeder and migrant on coastal plain	GREBES	Spotted Sandpiper - Uncommon breeder on inland coastal plain.	occasional common breeder on coast. Breeding occurs in years
and on south side. Rare visitor in Brooks Range.	Horned Grebe – Casual visitor on coastal plain and in Brooks Range. Uncommon on inland coastal plain and south side. May	Common breeder in Brooks Range and on south sideUpland Sandpiper – Fairly common breeder on inland coastal	of high lemming populations. Common migrant in Brooks
Green-winged Teal – Uncommon breeder on inland coastal plain. Rare breeder and migrant along coast. Common in Brooks Range,	breed in both areas (*).	plain, Brooks Range and on south side.	Range. Parasitic Jaeger – Common summer resident and uncommon
where it may breed (*). Uncommon breeder on south side.	Red-necked Grebe – Casual visitor on coastal plain and in Brooks	Whimbrel – Uncommon visitor to coast and in Brooks Range. Rare	breeder on coastal plain and in Brooks Range. Uncommon
Canvasback – Casual visitor on coastal plain and south side.	Range. Rare on south side, where it may breed (*).	breeder on inland coastal plain. Rare visitor and breeder on	migrant on south side, where it may breed (*).
Redhead – Casual visitor on south side.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	south side.	Long-tailed Jaeger – Fairly common breeder on inland coastal
Ring-necked Duck – Casual visitor in Brooks Range. Likely rare	FULMARS, SHEARWATERS	Black-tailed Godwit – Accidental visitor to coast.	plain. Common summer resident and rare breeder along coast.
visitor on south side (*).	Northern Fulmar – Rare offshore visitor.	Hudsonian Godwit – Casual visitor on coastal plain.	Uncommon breeder in Brooks Range. Rare visitor to south
Greater Scaup - Uncommon migrant and visitor along coast. Rare	Short-tailed Shearwater – Rare visitor to coast, mostly offshore.	Bar-tailed Godwit - Uncommon on coastal plain, where it may	side.
breeder on inland coastal plain and in Brooks Range. Common	DARTORS	breed (*).	Bonaparte's Gull – Casual visitor on coastal plain and in Brooks
visitor on south side. Lesser Scaup – Rare breeder and visitor on inland areas of coastal	RAPTORS Osprey – Accidental visitor on coastal plain. Rare visitor in Brooks	Ruddy Turnstone - Fairly common breeder on coast and uncommon breeder on inland coastal plain. Rare visitor in Brooks Range.	Range. Uncommon visitor on south side, where it may breed (*). Mew Gull – Rare visitor and breeder on coastal plain. Common
plain. Uncommon breeder in Brooks Range. Common summer	Range and on south side.	Surfbird – Rare breeder in Brooks Range.	breeder in Brooks Range and on south side.
resident on south side, where it likely breeds (*).	Bald Eagle – Casual visitor on coastal plain and in Brooks Range.	Red Knot – Rare migrant along coast.	Herring Gull – Rare migrant and visitor on coastal plain and in
Steller's Eider - Rare visitor along coast.	Uncommon breeder on south side.	Sanderling – Rare breeder on coastal plain. Rare spring and	Brooks Range. Uncommon breeder on south side.
Spectacled Eider – Rare breeder and uncommon visitor along	Northern Harrier – Uncommon summer resident on coastal plain.	uncommon fall migrant along coast. Casual visitor on south side.	Thayer's Gull – Rare visitor on coastal plain.
coast.	May breed on inland coastal plain (*). Uncommon breeder in	Semipalmated Sandpiper – Abundant breeder in coastal areas and	Slaty-backed Gull – Casual visitor along coast.
King Eider – Fairly common breeder and uncommon migrant	Brooks Range. Uncommon visitor on south side.	common breeder on inland coastal plain. Common fall migrant	Glaucous-winged Gull – Casual visitor in Brooks Range.
along coast. Common Eider – Common breeder on coastal islands. Common	Sharp-shinned Hawk – Casual visitor on coastal plain and in	along coast. Rare visitor in Brooks Range and on south side.	Glaucous Gull - Common breeder and abundant summer resident
Common Elder - Common breeder on coastal islands. Common migrant along coast.	Brooks Range. Uncommon on south side, where it may breed (*). Northern Goshawk – Casual visitor on inland coastal plain.	Western Sandpiper - Rare on coastal plain, where it may breed (*). Uncommon fall migrant along coast.	along coast. Uncommon breeder on inland coastal plain. Common breeder in Brooks Range.
Harlequin Duck – Rare breeder on inland coastal plain. Uncommon	Uncommon breeder on south side.	Red-necked Stint – Casual visitor on coast.	Sabine's Gull – Uncommon breeder and migrant along coast.
breeder in Brooks Range. Rare visitor on south side.	Swainson's Hawk – Casual breeder on south side.	Least Sandpiper – Rare visitor on coastal plain. Uncommon	Black-legged Kittiwake – Rare visitor along coast, mostly offshore.
Surf Scoter - Uncommon migrant along coast. Uncommon on the	Red-tailed Hawk – Rare visitor on south side, where it may breed (*).	breeder in Brooks Range. Common breeder on south side.	Ross' Gull - Rare migrant along coast.
inland coastal plain and south side. May breed in both areas (*).	Rough-legged Hawk - Rare visitor along coast. Uncommon	White-rumped Sandpiper - Rare breeder and spring migrant,	Ivory Gull – Rare migrant along coast.
White-winged Scoter - Rare on inland lakes of coastal plain.	breeder on inland areas of coastal plain. Uncommon breeder in	and uncommon fall migrant, on coastal plain. Casual visitor on	Arctic Tern – Uncommon breeder on coast. Rare breeder on inland
Common migrant along coast. Rare visitor in Brooks Range.	Brooks Range. Rare breeder on south side.	south side.	coastal plain. Common summer resident on coastal plain and
Common visitor on south side. May breed in all areas (*).	Golden Eagle – Fairly common visitor on coastal plain. Rare	Baird's Sandpiper - Uncommon breeder on coastal plain and in	Brooks Range (breeding not documented). Uncommon visitor
Black Scoter - Uncommon migrant along coast Long-tailed Duck - Common breeder on coastal plain. Abundant	breeder on inland coastal plain. Fairly common breeder in Brooks Range. Uncommon breeder on south side.	Brooks Range. Common migrant on south side. Pectoral Sandpiper – Abundant breeder on coastal plain.	on south side.
fall migrant along coast. Uncommon in Brooks Range, where	Brooks Mange. Uncommon breeder on south side.	Abundant fall migrant along coast. Fairly common migrant in	ALCIDS
it may breed (*). Common visitor and uncommon breeder on	FALCONS	Brooks Range and on south side.	Thick-billed Murre – Rare migrant along coast.
south side.	American Kestrel – Casual visitor on coastal plain. Uncommon	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper – Casual migrant on coast.	Black Guillemot – Uncommon summer resident and rare breeder
Bufflehead - Rare visitor to Brooks Range and south side.	breeder in Brooks Range. Common breeder on south side.	Dunlin - Uncommon breeder and fall migrant along coast. Rare	along coast.
Common Goldeneye – Rare visitor to all areas. May breed on	Merlin - Rare visitor on coastal plain. Uncommon in Brooks Range	migrant on south side.	Least Auklet - Casual visitor along coast.
south side (*).	and on south side. May breed in all areas (*).	Stilt Sandpiper - Uncommon breeder and fall migrant on coastal	Horned Puffin – Rare visitor along coast.
Barrow's Goldeneye - Casual visitor on south side.	Gyrfalcon – Uncommon permanent resident on inland coastal	plain.	0441.0
Smew - Accidental visitor on coastal plain.	plain, in Brooks Range and on south side. Rare visitor to coast.	Buff-breasted Sandpiper – Uncommon breeder and migrant on	OWLS Creat Howard Owl - Uncommon normanant resident on couth
Common Merganser – Casual visitor on inland coastal plain and in Brooks Range. Uncommon visitor on south side.	Peregrine Falcon - Rare breeder and uncommon visitor on coastal plain. Fairly common breeder in Brooks Range and on south side.	coastal plain. Ruff – Casual visitor on coastal plain.	Great Horned Owl – Uncommon permanent resident on south side, where it may breed (*).
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