

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Malheur National Wildlife Refuge

These dates are the average earliest dates of arrival for certain migratory species during the twenty years between 1980 and 2000. Arrival dates vary year to year. Sorted by arrival date on the reverse.

Migratory bird species average earliest arrival date (arranged alphabetically)

SPECIES (alphabetical)	average earliest	SPECIES (alphabetical)	average earliest	SPECIES (alphabetical)	average earliest
	arrival	C	arrival	.1 1	arrival
American avocet	26-Mar	fox sparrow	10-Apr	sage thrasher	23-Mar
American bittern	4-Apr	Franklin's gull	13-Apr	sandhill crane	17-Feb
American crow	6-Mar	golden-crowned kinglet	19-Apr	savannah sparrow	23-Mar
American goldfinch	20-Apr	golden-crowned sparrow	1-May	Say's phoebe	22-Feb
American pipit	28-Mar	gray flycatcher	20-May	snow goose	13-Feb
American redstart	23-May	great egret	26-Mar	snowy egret	18-Apr
American white pelican	24-Mar	greater white-fronted goose	18-Feb	snowy plover	27-Apr
ash-throated flycatcher	18-May	greater yellowlegs	17-Mar	solitary vireo	30-Apr
oank swallow	9-May	green-tailed towhee	11-May	sora	20-Apr
oarn swallow	5-Apr	hermit thrush	5-May	spotted sandpiper	2-May
olack tern	3-May	horned grebe	20-Apr	spotted towhee	2-Mar
olack-bellied plover	27-Apr	house finch	6-Apr	Swainson's hawk	5-Apr
black-chinned hummingbird	26-Apr	house wren	16-Apr	Swainson's thrush	26-May
olack-crowned night-heron	28-Mar	killdeer	17-Feb	Townsend's warbler	8-May
olack-headed grosbeak	11-May	lark sparrow	25-Apr	tree swallow	2-Mar
black-necked stilt	16-Apr	lazuli bunting	3-May	tundra swan	11-Feb
black-throated gray warbler	12-May	least sandpiper	25-Apr	turkey vulture	15-Mar
olue-winged teal	10-Apr	lesser yellowlegs	13-Apr	varied thrush	5-Mar
oobolink	19-May	Lewis woodpecker	26-Apr	Vaux's swift	7-May
Bonaparte's gull	2-May	Lincoln's sparrow	23-Apr	vesper sparrow	26-Mar
Brewer's blackbird	10-Mar	long-billed curlew	26-Mar	violet-green swallow	27-Mar
Brewer's sparrow	1-May	long-billed dowitcher	2-Apr	Virginia rail	20-Apr
prown creeper	27-Apr	MacGillivray's warbler	5-May	warbling vireo	10-May
prown-headed cowbird	24-Apr	marbled godwit	27-Apr	western bluebird	28-Feb
Bullock's oriole	5-May	mourning dove	3-Apr	western flycatcher	14-May
ourrowing owl	27-Mar	Nashville warbler	26-Apr	western grebe	20-Mar
California gull	7-Mar	northern pintail	8-Feb	western kingbird	23-Apr
calliope hummingbird	2-May	n. rough-winged swallow	7-Apr	western meadowlark	25-Feb
Caspian tern	27-Apr	olive-sided flycatcher	17-May	western sandpiper	21-Apr
cattle egret	6-May	orange-crowned warbler	25-Apr	western tanager	3-May
cinnamon teal	28-Feb	osprey	15-Apr	western wood-pewee	10-May
Clark's grebe	4-May	pied-billed grebe	11-Mar	white-crowned sparrow	22-Mar
cliff swallow	7-Apr	pine siskin	25-Apr	white-faced ibis	28-Apr
common nighthawk	24-May	red-breasted nuthatch	3-May	willet	10-Apr
common poorwill	14-May	red-naped sapsucker	6-Apr	willow flycatcher	14-May
common yellowthroat	1-May	red-necked phalarope	12-May	Wilson's phalarope	12-May
double-crested cormorant	16-Mar	red-winged blackbird	29-Jan	Wilson's warbler	2-May
dunlin	27-Apr	ring-billed gull	22-Feb	yellow warbler	26-Apr
lusky flycatcher	27-Apr	Ross' goose	9-Mar	yellow-breasted chat	12-May
eared grebe	30-Mar	ruby-crowned kinglet	31-Mar	yellow-headed blackbird	27-Mar
eastern kingbird	19-Apr	rufous hummingbird	7-May	yellow-rumped (Aud) warbler	6-Apr
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