

SOUTH DAKOTA ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION - Checklist for the West Region Printed on 9/11/2025

Statewide status codes indicated after each species name - R = regular (7-10 of the last 10 years); C = casual (3-6 of the last 10 years); A = accidental (3 or fewer times of the last 10 years); and H = hypothetical (probable but not proven to have been seen in the state). A species preceded by an asterisk (*) is considered regular for the selected checklist.

Ducks, Geese, and Swans

(Anatidae) ___* Snow Goose (R) ___Ross's Goose (R) * Greater White-fronted Goose (R) ____* Cackling Goose (R) * Canada Goose (R) ___Mute Swan (C) * Trumpeter Swan (R) ____Tundra Swan (R) * Wood Duck (R) * Blue-winged Teal (R) ___* Cinnamon Teal (R) * Northern Shoveler (R) * Gadwall (R) _Eurasian Wigeon (A) ___* American Wigeon (R) ____* Mallard (R) * Northern Pintail (R) * Green-winged Teal (R) * Canvasback (R) * Redhead (R) ___* Ring-necked Duck (R) _Greater Scaup (R) * Lesser Scaup (R) ____Harlequin Duck (A) ____Surf Scoter (R) ____White-winged Scoter (R) Black Scoter (R) ___Long-tailed Duck (R) * Bufflehead (R) ___* Common Goldeneye (R) Barrow's Goldeneye (R) * Hooded Merganser (R) * Common Merganser (R) * Red-breasted Merganser (R) ___* Ruddy Duck (R) New World Quail (Odontophoridae) Northern Bobwhite (R) Partridges, Grouse, Turkeys, and Old World Quail (Phasianidae) * Wild Turkey (R) * Ruffed Grouse (R) * Greater Sage-Grouse (R) ___* Sharp-tailed Grouse (R)

____* Greater Prairie-Chicken (R)

____* Gray Partridge (R)

___* Eared Grebe (R) ____* Western Grebe (R) ___* Clark's Grebe (R) **Pigeons and Doves** (Columbidae) ____* Rock Pigeon (R) ____* Eurasian Collared-Dove (R) ____White-winged Dove (R) ___* Mourning Dove (R) Cuckoos, Roadrunners, and Anis (Cuculidae) ____* Yellow-billed Cuckoo (R) ___Black-billed Cuckoo (R) Goatsuckers (Caprimulgidae) ____* Common Nighthawk (R) ____* Common Poorwill (R) Swifts (Apodidae) ____* Chimney Swift (R) ____* White-throated Swift (R) Hummingbirds (Trochilidae) ____* Ruby-throated Hummingbird (R) ___Black-chinned Hummingbird (A) ____Anna's Hummingbird (C)

____* Ring-necked Pheasant (R)

Grebes (Podicipedidae)

___* Pied-billed Grebe (R)

* Horned Grebe (R)

____Red-necked Grebe (R)

- ___Costa's Hummingbird (A) ___Calliope Hummingbird (C) _* Rufous Hummingbird (R) ____* Broad-tailed Hummingbird (R) Rails, Gallinules, and Coots (Rallidae) __* Virginia Rail (R)
- ____* Sora (R) ___* American Coot (R) Cranes (Gruidae)

___* Sandhill Crane (R) ____Whooping Crane (R)

- Stilts and Avocets
- (Recurvirostridae)
- ____Black-necked Stilt (R)
- ____* American Avocet (R)
- Lapwings and Plovers
- (Charadriidae)
- ___Black-bellied Plover (R) ____American Golden-Plover (R)
- ____* Killdeer (R) ___* Semipalmated Plover (R) ____Piping Plover (R) Sandpipers, Phalaropes, and Allies (Scolopacidae) ____* Upland Sandpiper (R) ____Whimbrel (C) * Long-billed Curlew (R) ____Hudsonian Godwit (R) ____* Marbled Godwit (R) _Ruddy Turnstone (R) ____* Stilt Sandpiper (R) * Sanderling (R) ___* Baird's Sandpiper (R) * Least Sandpiper (R) _White-rumped Sandpiper (R) _Buff-breasted Sandpiper (R) * Pectoral Sandpiper (R) * Semipalmated Sandpiper (R) Western Sandpiper (C) _Short-billed Dowitcher (R) * Long-billed Dowitcher (R) ____* Wilson's Snipe (R) * Spotted Sandpiper (R) * Solitary Sandpiper (R) * Lesser Yellowlegs (R) * Willet (R) ____* Greater Yellowlegs (R) ____* Wilson's Phalarope (R) ____* Red-necked Phalarope (R) Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers (Laridae) ____Sabine's Gull (R) ____* Bonaparte's Gull (R) ____* Franklin's Gull (R) ____* Ring-billed Gull (R) * California Gull (R) * American Herring Gull (R) ___Iceland Gull (R) Lesser Black-backed Gull (R) Glaucous Gull (R) * Caspian Tern (R) * Black Tern (R) ___Common Tern (R) ____* Forster's Tern (R) Loons (Gaviidae) ____Pacific Loon (R) ___* Common Loon (R)

Cormorants

(Phalacrocoracidae)

Pelicans (Pelecanidae) * American White Pelican (R) Bitterns, Herons, and Allies (Ardeidae) ___* American Bittern (R) ___Little Blue Heron (C) ___Snowy Egret (R) * Black-crowned Night-Heron (R) ____Yellow-crowned Night-Heron (C) _Green Heron (R) ___Great Egret (R) ___Western Cattle Egret (R) * Great Blue Heron (R) **Ibises and Spoonbills** (Threskiornithidae) ___Glossy Ibis (R) ___* White-faced Ibis (R) New World Vultures (Cathartidae) ____* Turkey Vulture (R) **Ospreys** (Pandionidae) * Osprey (R) Hawks, Kites, Eagles, and Allies (Accipitridae) ____* Golden Eagle (R) ____Mississippi Kite (C) _* Northern Harrier (R) * Sharp-shinned Hawk (R) * Cooper's Hawk (R) * American Goshawk (R) * Bald Eagle (R) ___* Broad-winged Hawk (R) ___* Swainson's Hawk (R) * Red-tailed Hawk (R) ____* Rough-legged Hawk (R) ____* Ferruginous Hawk (R) Barn Owls (Tytonidae) ____American Barn Owl (R) Typical Owls (Strigidae) ____* Eastern Screech-Owl (R) ____* Great Horned Owl (R) _Snowy Owl (R) * Burrowing Owl (R) ____* Long-eared Owl (R) * Short-eared Owl (R) * Northern Saw-whet Owl (R)

* Double-crested Cormorant (R)

Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)

___* Belted Kingfisher (R)

- Woodpeckers and Allies (Picidae)
- ____Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (R)
- ____* Red-naped Sapsucker (R) _* Lewis's Woodpecker (R)
- ____* Red-headed Woodpecker (R)
- _Red-bellied Woodpecker (R)
- * American Three-toed
- Woodpecker (R)
- ___* Black-backed Woodpecker (R)
- ___* Downy Woodpecker (R)
- ____* Hairy Woodpecker (R)
- * Northern Flicker (R)
- **Caracaras and Falcons**

(Falconidae)

- ___Crested Caracara (A)
- * American Kestrel (R)
- ___* Merlin (R)
- ____* Gyrfalcon (R)
- ____* Peregrine Falcon (R)
- * Prairie Falcon (R)

Tyrant Flycatchers (Tyrannidae)

- ___Olive-sided Flycatcher (R)
- * Western Wood-Pewee (R)
- Eastern Wood-Pewee (R)
- ____Alder Flycatcher (R)
- ___* Willow Flycatcher (R)
- ___* Least Flycatcher (R)
- ____Hammond's Flycatcher (A)
- ____* Dusky Flycatcher (R)
- ___* Western Flycatcher (R)
- ___* Eastern Phoebe (R)
- ___* Say's Phoebe (R)
- ___Ash-throated Flycatcher (A)
 - * Great Crested Flycatcher (R)
 - _Cassin's Kingbird (C)
- * Western Kingbird (R)
- ____* Eastern Kingbird (R)
- ____Scissor-tailed Flycatcher (A)

Vireos (Vireonidae)

- ____White-eyed Vireo (C)
- ___* Bell's Vireo (R)
- ____Yellow-throated Vireo (R)
 - Cassin's Vireo (C)
 - * Plumbeous Vireo (R)
 - Philadelphia Vireo (R)
- ____* Warbling Vireo (R)
- ___* Red-eyed Vireo (R) Shrikes (Laniidae)

- ____* Loggerhead Shrike (R)
 - ___* Northern Shrike (R) Jays and Crows (Corvidae)
 - ___* Canada Jay (R)
 - ____* Pinyon Jay (R)
 - ___Steller's Jay (A)
 - _* Blue Jay (R)
 - * Black-billed Magpie (R)
 - ____* Clark's Nutcracker (R)
 - ____* American Crow (R)
 - ____* Common Raven (R)
- **Chickadees and Titmice**

(Paridae)

____* Black-capped Chickadee (R) ____Mountain Chickadee (A)

Larks (Alaudidae)

___* Horned Lark (R)

Swallows (Hirundinidae)

- * Northern Rough-winged
- Swallow (R)
- ____Purple Martin (R)
- ___* Tree Swallow (R)
- ___* Violet-green Swallow (R)
- ____* Bank Swallow (R)
- ____* Barn Swallow (R)
- ___* Cliff Swallow (R)

Kinglets (Regulidae)

____* Golden-crowned Kinglet (R)

____* Ruby-crowned Kinglet (R)

- Waxwings (Bombycillidae)
- ____* Bohemian Waxwing (R)
- ___* Cedar Waxwing (R)

Nuthatches (Sittidae)

* Red-breasted Nuthatch (R)

Gnatcatchers (Polioptilidae)

___* Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (R)

Wrens (Troglodytidae)

____* Northern House Wren (R)

Mockingbirds and Thrashers

___* Rock Wren (R)

___Pacific Wren (R)

____Winter Wren (R)

____Sedge Wren (R)

* Marsh Wren (R)

____* Canyon Wren (R)

* White-breasted Nuthatch (R) ___* Pygmy Nuthatch (R) Creepers (Certhiidae)

____* Brown Creeper (R)

(Mimidae)

____* Gray Catbird (R)

- ____* Brown Thrasher (R)
- ____Sage Thrasher (R)
- _____Sage Illiasilei (IV)

____Northern Mockingbird (R)

- Starlings (Sturnidae)
- ____* European Starling (R)

Dippers (Cinclidae)

____* American Dipper (R)

Thrushes (Turdidae)

- * Eastern Bluebird (R)
- ____* Mountain Bluebird (R) ____* Townsend's Solitaire (R)
- _____Varied Thrush (C)
- ____* Veery (R)
- ____Gray-cheeked Thrush (R)
- ____* Swainson's Thrush (R)

____Hermit Thrush (R)

- ____Wood Thrush (R)
- ____* American Robin (R)

Old World Sparrows

- (Passeridae)
- * House Sparrow (R)
- ___Eurasian Tree Sparrow (C)

Wagtails and Pipits

- (Motacillidae)
- ____* American Pipit (R)
- ____* Sprague's Pipit (R)

Fringilline and Cardueline

Finches and Allies

(Fringillidae)

- ____* Evening Grosbeak (R)
- Pine Grosbeak (R)
- ____Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch (C)
- ____* House Finch (R) ____Purple Finch (R)
- ____* Cassin's Finch (R)
- ___* Common Redpoll (R)
- ___* Red Crossbill (R)
- _____White-winged Crossbill (C)
- ____* Pine Siskin (R)
- ____* Lesser Goldfinch (R)
- ____* American Goldfinch (R)

Longspurs and Snow

Buntings (Calcariidae)

- ____* Lapland Longspur (R)
- ____* Chestnut-collared Longspur (R)
- ___Smith's Longspur (C) ___Thick-billed Longspur (C)
- ____Snow Bunting (R)
- New World Sparrows and

Towhees (Passerellidae)

- ___Cassin's Sparrow (A)
- ____* Grasshopper Sparrow (R)
- ____* Lark Sparrow (R)
- ____* Lark Bunting (R)
- ____* Chipping Sparrow (R)
- ____* Clay-colored Sparrow (R)
- ____* Field Sparrow (R)
- ____* Brewer's Sparrow (R)
- ____Fox Sparrow (R)

____* American Tree Sparrow (R) ____* Dark-eyed Junco (R)

___* White-crowned Sparrow (R)

* Harris's Sparrow (R)

____* Vesper Sparrow (R)

____Nelson's Sparrow (R)

* Baird's Sparrow (R)

* Song Sparrow (R)

____* Lincoln's Sparrow (R)

____Swamp Sparrow (R)

____* Spotted Towhee (R)

Yellow-breasted Chat

Blackbirds (Icteridae)

____* Eastern Meadowlark (R)

___* Western Meadowlark (R)

____* Orchard Oriole (R)

____Rusty Blackbird (R)

___* Ovenbird (R)

____* Brewer's Blackbird (R)

____* Common Grackle (R)

____* Great-tailed Grackle (R) Wood-Warblers (Parulidae)

____* Northern Waterthrush (R)

___Golden-winged Warbler (R)

___Prothonotary Warbler (A)

___Nashville Warbler (R)

____* Virginia's Warbler (R)

____Mourning Warbler (R)

____* American Redstart (R)

___Cape May Warbler (R)

___Northern Parula (R)

____Magnolia Warbler (R)

* Yellow Warbler (R)

* Blackpoll Warbler (R)

___Palm Warbler (R)

Prairie Warbler (A)

____Townsend's Warbler (C)

_* Wilson's Warbler (R)

and Allies (Cardinalidae)

___Scarlet Tanager (R)

__Bay-breasted Warbler (R)

_Chestnut-sided Warbler (R)

____* Yellow-rumped Warbler (R)

Black-throated Gray Warbler (A)

___Black-throated Green Warbler (R)

Cardinals, Piranga Tanagers

_* Tennessee Warbler (R)

___* MacGillivray's Warbler (R)

____* Common Yellowthroat (R) ___Hooded Warbler (R)

___* Orange-crowned Warbler (R)

___* Black-and-white Warbler (R)

* Bullock's Oriole (R)

* Baltimore Oriole (R)

____* Red-winged Blackbird (R)

___* Brown-headed Cowbird (R)

* Yellow-breasted Chat (R)

___* Yellow-headed Blackbird (R)

(Icteriidae)

____* Bobolink (R)

* Savannah Sparrow (R)

_Golden-crowned Sparrow (A)

* White-throated Sparrow (R)

- ____* Western Tanager (R)
- ____* Northern Cardinal (R)
- ____* Rose-breasted Grosbeak (R)
- ____* Black-headed Grosbeak (R)
- ____* Blue Grosbeak (R)
- ____* Lazuli Bunting (R) ____* Indigo Bunting (R)
- ____Painted Bunting (A)
- ____* Dickcissel (R)
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