



# Wisconsin NatureMapping Newsletter

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## Wisconsin NatureMapping Data From February 2008

- 131** Total NatureMapping Observations  
(compared to 41 in January)
- 4.5** Observations/day  
(compared to 1.3 in January)
- 925** Animals observed  
(during 131 total NM observations)

### Top 5 Animals

Animal	# observed
Canada Geese	198
Blue Jays	85
Common Redpolls	80
European Starlings	78
American Goldfinches	59

**NOTE: Enter your observations on the website regularly so they are included in monthly calculations!**

### March Programs

**Owl Prowl—Monday, Mar. 17, 7 pm.** Join a staff naturalist for a hootin' good time. Start with a short hike to listen and hoot for owls. Then move inside to discover some of the unique traits of the owl family. Appropriate for adults and upper elementary school age children. Guest appearances by BCR's non-releasable owls are expected. Who's been here?

**NatureMapping Workshop—Friday, Mar. 14, 12:15-1:30, UWEC Conservation Biology Class.** Students will learn the fundamentals of observing and reporting wildlife observations to the Wisconsin NatureMapping website!

### Watch for Woodcock this month!



Image courtesy of Wikipedia

Learn more about woodcocks and other wildlife from the EEK! Website:

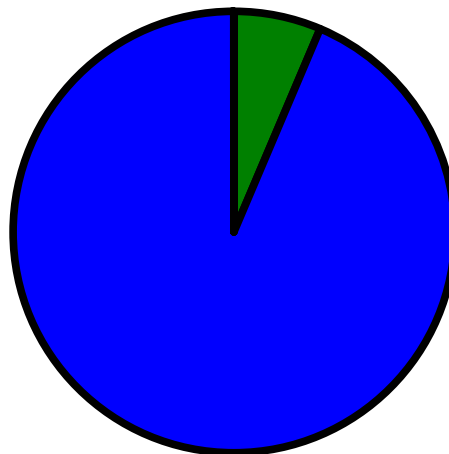
<http://www.dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/ce/eeek/critter/bird/woodcock.htm>

### March Phenology from EEK!

Walleye and smelt begin moving around Wisconsin waterways. Male red-winged blackbirds start to return and woodcock (or timberdoodles) begin to breed. Listen for the calls of spring peepers, wood frogs, and chorus frogs. Tundra swans pass through WI on their way to breeding grounds in Alaska. EEK!-Environmental Education for Kids, [www.dnr.wi.gov/eeek/](http://www.dnr.wi.gov/eeek/), Wisconsin DNR.

## Animals Observed by Category for February 2008

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**Birds – 94 %**

**Mammals – 6 %**

**Amphibians – 0 %**

**Reptiles – 0 %**

### What's Being Observed in Wisconsin?

- 866** Birds
- 59** Mammals
- 0** Amphibians
- 0** Reptiles

94%