

## **2020 CBC Silver City**

**Participants :** 20 Route Counters (11 routes)  
16 Feeder Counters (13 counts)

### **Effort:**

Hours Routes:	57.88
Total people Hours:	118.61
Miles Driven:	235.4
Miles Walked:	28.54
Total people miles walked:	14.68
Hours Feeder counts:	36.67
Total people Hours:	41
Combined feeder and route hrs:	98.88
Combined people hrs:	159.61

More time was spent in 2020 on our routes but due to covid we had fewer people on those routes and our total effort was lower.

### **Count Information:**

Total species:	<b>106 (highest on record!)</b> 89 in 2019
Total # of individual birds:	7490 (avg across all years = 5100) 5729 in 2019
Routes:	6117
Feeders:	1119

### **10 Most abundant:**

• Western Bluebird	1024	
• Dark-eyed Junco	731	
• American Robin		715
• White-crowned Sparrow	687	
• Brewer's Blackbird	497	
• House Finch	385	
• Mountain Bluebird	328	
• House Sparrow		248
• Gambel's Quail		232
• Raven sp.	187	

### **Rare / Unusual Birds <10% of Counts**

• Costa's Hummingbird	NEW!
• Verdin	NEW!
• Yellow-eyed Junco	2 <sup>nd</sup> Record
• Grasshopper Sparrow	3 <sup>rd</sup> Record
• Anna's Hummingbird	3 <sup>rd</sup> Record
• Black-chinned Hummingbird	3 <sup>rd</sup> Record
• Hutton's Vireo	4 <sup>th</sup> Record
• Rufous Hummingbird	5 <sup>th</sup> Record

### **New High Counts:**

• Western Screech-Owl	2 (tie)
• Hairy Woodpecker	16 (tie with 2019)
• Western Bluebird	1024

- Hermit Thrush 11
- Sage Thrasher 12
- Northern Mockingbird 9

Total individual birds counted across all years 1957-2020. Average 5100.

Total species across all years 1957-2020.

After the count it seemed like sparrow numbers were down but after running the numbers the only species that was low were the chipping sparrows and the longspurs. In 2020 we had a higher diversity of sparrow then 2019.

Sparrows between

<b>Species</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>
Chipping Sparrow	61	21
Brewer's Sparrow	0	2
Black-throated Sparrow	5	15
Dark-eyed Junco	760	731
Yellow-eyed Junco	0	1
White-cr. Sparrow	214	687
White-throated Sparrow	0	1
Sagebrush Sparrow	0	1
Vesper Sparrow	0	5
Savannah Sparrow	4	0
Song Sparrow	14	7
Grasshopper Sparrow	0	1
Lincoln's Sparrow	4	1
Black-chinned Sparrow	2	1
Chestnut-collared Longspur	30	0

Canyon Towhee	90	75
Rufous Crowned sp	2	9
Green-tailed Towhee	1	1
Spotted Towhee	50	41

2020 was the year of the bluebird and thrush. American robins had their 2<sup>nd</sup> best year ever with the highest being 814 in 1986 and a nearly 2400% increase from 2019. Western Bluebirds had the highest count ever just edging out 1988 when there were 1020. Mountain bluebirds had the 4<sup>th</sup> highest total and numbers not seen since the early 90s. See graph comparing robins and bluebirds across all years below.

Bluebirds / Thrushes Etc.

Species	2019	2020
Western Bluebird	511	1024
Mountain Bluebird	9	328
Townsend's Solitaire	2	5
Hermit Thrush	1	11
American Robin	30	715
Curve-billed Thrasher	63	54
Sage Thrasher	0	12
Crissal Thrasher	0	1
Northern Mockingbird	1	9
Cedar Waxwing	14	59
Phainopepla	68	53

2019 and 2020 Data compared.

Species	2019	2020
Gadwall	0	0
<b>Am. Wigeon</b>	61	61
<b>Mallard</b>	9	19
<b>Mexican duck</b>	2	9
<b>N. Shoveler</b>	9	7
<b>Northern Pintail</b>	0	4
<b>Green-winged Teal</b>	0	2
<b>Ring-necked Duck</b>	0	11
<b>Bufflehead</b>	6	17
<b>Hooded Merganser</b>	2	4
<b>Common Merganser</b>	0	0
<b>Ruddy Duck</b>	0	0
<b>Scaled Quail</b>	0	13
<b>Gambel's Quail</b>	457	232
<b>Montezuma Quail</b>	3	6
<b>Wild Turkey</b>	45	0
<b>Pied-billed grebe</b>	2	0
<b>Eared Grebe</b>	0	0
<b>Great Blue Heron</b>	2	1
<b>Bald Eagle</b>	0	1
<b>Golden Eagle</b>	1	0
<b>N Harrier</b>	4	1
<b>Sharp-shinned Hawk</b>	3	8
<b>Cooper's Hawk</b>	8	5

Northern Goshawk	0	0
Red-tailed Hawk	23	33
Peregrine Falcon	0	0
Am. Coot	6	4
Sandhill Crane	1	0
Killdeer	0	3
Wilson's Snipe	0	2
Ring-billed Gull	0	0
Rock Pigeon	78	136
Band-tailed Pigeon	1	0
Eurasian Collared-Dove	91	56
Inca Dove	0	0
White-winged Dove	194	177
Mourning Dove	52	32
Greater Roadrunner	8	10
Western Screech Owl	1	2
Great Horned Owl	0	1
Costa's Hummingbird	0	1
Anna's Hummingbird	0	2
Black-chinned Hummingbird	0	1
Broad-tailed hummer	1	0
Rufous Hummer	0	1
Belted Kingfisher	0	1
Lewis's Woodpecker	0	0
Acorn Woodpecker	23	17
Williamson's Sapsucker	0	3
Red-naped Sapsucker	8	4
Ladder-backed Wdpr.	18	23
Downy Woodpecker	0	3
Hairy Woodpecker	16	16
Northern Flicker	90	67
Am. Kestrel	5	10
Merlin	0	2
Black Pheobe	0	1
Say's Phoebe	13	19
Cassin's Kingbird	0	0
Vermilion Flycatcher	0	1
Loggerhead Shrike	8	7
Pinyon Jay	75	60
Steller's Jay	14	0
W. Scrub-Jay	123	183
Mexican Jay	79	85
American Crow	1	4
Chihuahuan Raven	25	28
Common Raven	37	96
Raven sp.	314	187
Horned Lark	0	15
Mountain Chickadee	17	3
Bridled Titmouse	13	20
Juniper Titmouse	54	16
Bushtit	86	141
Red-breasted Nuthatch	1	0
White-breasted Nuthatch	23	19
Pygmy nuthatch	0	0

Rock Wren	2	4
Canyon Wren	0	0
House Wren	0	1
Bewick's Wren	25	20
Cactus Wren	6	8
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	52	74
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European Starling	30	10
American Pipit	0	2
Cedar Waxwing	14	59
Phainopepla	68	53
Olive Warbler	0	0
Orange-crowned Warbler	0	0
Yellow-rumped Warbler	39	46
Verdin	0	3
Hutton's Vireo	0	1
Chipping Sparrow	61	21
Clay-colored Sparrow	0	0
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Pyrrhuloxia	0	1
Red-winged Blackbird	19	17
Yellow-headed Blackbird	0	0
Western Meadowlark	47	91
Eastern Meadowlark	0	0
Meadowlark sp.	18	87
Brewer's Blackbird	202	497
Great-tailed Grackle	3	10
Brown-headed cowbird	0	0

<b>Cassin's Finch</b>	30	9
<b>House Finch</b>	373	385
<b>Red Crossbill</b>	1	0
<b>Pine Siskin</b>	78	187
<b>Lesser Goldfinch</b>	45	25
<b>American Goldfinch</b>	3	0
<b>House Sparrow</b>	240	248