BREEDING AND VISITING BIRD SPECIES IN OAK SAVANNA REMNANTS OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS

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INTRODUCTION

Bird species and communities have been found to be useful indicators of general vegetation chracteristics (Karr, 1968; Willson, 1974; Adams, 1908). Avians can change drastically as structural aspects of habitat (McArthur, 1964) are modified by vegetation succession (Johnson and Odum, 1956; Odum, 1950), natural perturbations (Apfelbaum and Haney, 1981, 1985; Bock et al., 1978; Noon et al., 1979) or by anthropogenics, or all of these. Northern Illinois during presettlement times contained a diverse mosaic of biological communities (Bailey, 1978). From the prespective of avian habitat a real dichotomy in predominant vegetation types existed where open and closed canopy oak savanna and forests contrasted with open prairies and wetlands. Since settlement changes in vegetation structure and spatial heterogeneity have resulted because of direct and indirect anthropogenic influences including logging, tillage, grazing activity, and indirectly by wildfire suppression.

Prairies and wetlands have largely been converted to agriculture-use or urbanized; forests have been logged, or, grown in with a plethora of evenaged saplings and transgressives including several naturalized shrub and tree species. Consequently, great vegetation changes have occurred regionally which if current avian habitat theories have any application to presettlement conditions would predict great changes in regional avian-use have also occurred. Monumental changes might include loss of several species such as the passenger pigeon and carolina parakeet. These species were believed to be frugivors and seedivores of the savanna (Bent, 1958). Birds of the Illinois prairie have greatly declined (Illinois Natural History Survey, unpublished ms.). Savanna species may never have been adequately understood to determine their present status, and new regional bird species such as the European starling and English house sparrow are now

present. Cognizant of these unknowns, this study attempted to quantitatively characterize avifauna-use for breeding and visitation in remnants of presettlement oak savanna now in various states of change from presumed historic conditions. Although regionally centered the sites were variable in stand origin, anthropogenic land-uses, size, dimensions, configurations, and accessibility.

The goals of this study were:

- To sample breeding and visiting bird species in each of four savanna remnants with the limited support available in 1986. Study areas were Somme Woods (test and control), Reed-Turner Woodland Preserve (test and control), Wadsworth savanna, and Middlefork Savanna (Figures 1-4, Appendix 1)
- To establish a premanent study transect locations and methodology for continued avian surveys in each area that takes into account limited funding opportunities and time for professional efforts; a program for volunteer continuation.
- To establish where feasible in study areas, control and test plots enabling quantitative analysis of management strategy effects. Where experimental control was not possible because of small size of areas and land owners management plans, data from 1986 was to serve as baseline information to be used for determination of avian community trends, through use of repeated events analysis and trend determination statistics.

This study report presents a preliminary analysis of first season bird data.

METHODS

Birds were studied using modified Emlen (1971) transect surveying techniques. Surveying was done daily for 3-4 hours over a two week period 12-29 June 1986. Slightly slower surveying speeds than suggested (Emlen, Ibid.), because of the noise created by vehicle traffic and by moving through dense vegetation, were employed. Locations of all observed and audible individual birds were plotted on prepared survey forms. Plotting and analysis was done within 25 meter wide belts paralleling either side of the principal permanently staked study transects to a distance of 100 meters. From this, the number of individuals of each breeding and visiting bird species was determined which was then averaged over the four resurveys of each transect in each study area. Data has not been standardized with other studies, such as by reporting bird density as the number of birds in 100 hectares. However, a reductionist method for comparison within and among study areas and transects in each site was employed. This expressed avian densities and richness as a percent of the length in lineal meters of each transect. Ratios of bird population sizes and site richness were calculated. Surveying along each study transect terminated when all or a majority of the individual birds were consistently replotted in the same areas during mutiple surveys. Bird nomenclature follows the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Bird Banding Manual (1976).

Each of the study areas was visited and the feasibility for specifically installing test (management) and control (non-management) study transects was determined. Decisions based on area size, implementated land management strategies and goals, and researcher access and time (financial limitations) were made; permanently established study transects were mapped (Appendix 1) for each of the four study areas in 1986.

VEGETATION

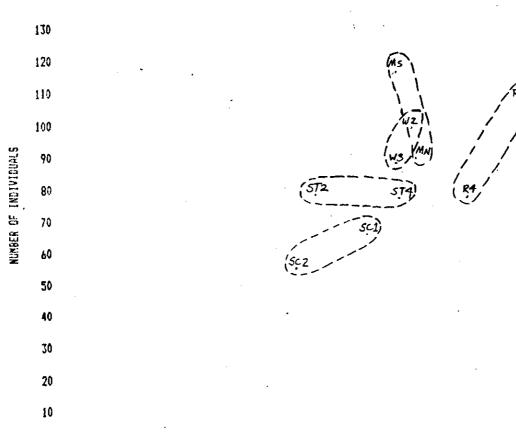
Avian study transects also served as locations in each area for vegetation study. Additional vegetation transects were also established. Vegetation studies quantified the intercept of canopy cover and stem density of woody plants greater than 1 m height. Smaller woody vegetation was included in herbaceous plant studies using meter square quadrats in which all vegetation and ground cover substrates were measured by occular estimation for percent cover. Details of vegetation study methods are provided elsewhere.

RESULTS

The number of birds species and individual birds per lineal meter in the control and test areas along replicated transects in each study site were very similar (Tables 1-5). The maximum number of species found in any one location was 28 (Table 1) and lowest values were found in European buckthorn dominated closed canopied forests with 15-19 species. Open areas at Somme and Savanna areas at Middlefork had 21-22 species, respectively. Visiting species were fewest in the Reed-Turner Preserve (1 species); open areas at Middlefork (north Transect) and at Somme Woods (Transect 4) had maximum visitation of 5 species.

Song sparrows, red-winged blackbirds, common yellowthroats, American goldfinches, rufous sided towhees, and blue gray gnatcatchers, were the most abundant breeding bird species in open areas at Middlefork (Table 2B). Many of these same species dominated along transect #4 at Somme Woods. Closed canopied transects at Somme Woods were dominated by American robins, cardinals, red-winged blackbirds, black capped chickadee, and the wood thrush (Table 4C and 4D). Habitat edge was important to many bird species as suggested by high richness at Somme transect #4 and Middlefork north

FIGURES. Richness and density of breeding bird species by study transect. Codes used are SC-Somme controls, ST-Somme test; M_-Hiddlefork (North or South); W-Wadsworth; and R-Reed-Turner Woods.



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NUMBER OF BREEDER SPECIES

TABLE 6. Preliminary comparison of Jaccard Index of Similarity in bird species compositions measured along study transects in oak savanna remnants of northern Illinois. Based on sampling 19-29 June 1986 using methods modified after Emlen (1971).

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study transect. Some species that used forest interior and edge communities were important in these study areas. Included were common yellowthroats, brown thrashers, goldfinches, northern, orioles and others. No bird species typical of prairies such as upland plovers, dicksissels, and grasshopper sparrows were found during these studies.

AVIFAUNA COMMUNITY SIMILARITY

Review of avian community population structure suggests both lower populations and species richnesses were found in heavily disturbed historic savannas grown in with a thick subcanopy of European buckthorn (Figure 5). With development of open areas these communities show increases in species richness and population density. Middlefork and Wadsworth transects had comparable relationships; population density at the Middlefork south transect was slightly higher than others in this cluster. Reed-Turner Woods had very different relationships characterized by a higher richness and similar population densities.

Open areas at Somme and Middlefork had relatively high species overlap. A relatively low overlay was measured between the open areas and especially closed canopied study transects at Somme (Table 6). Slight increases in similarity between closed control site #1 at Somme and Reed-Turner closed transects was calculated. Small pockets of wetland openings at Somme control may explain the slightly reduced similarity between Somme control #2 and Reed-Turner #4 which occurred in closed canopy forest.

More bird species that responded to clump farming shrubs (i.e. yellow warbler, common yellowthroat) occurred at Middlefork north compared to birds of broken dense canopy forests (i.e. northern orioles). Wadsworth had a continuous shrub and sapling canopy with several historic open grown oaks;

vegetation selected for more closed forest species such as red-bellied woodpeckers and great created flycathers. A graminoid wetland and ephemeral wetland at Wadsworth was used by grackles, herons, and mallard ducks.

Reed-Turner Woods had species representative of forests, forest edges, and open areas and wetland edges. Forest species included rose breasted grossbeacks, red-eye vireos, ovenbirds, gnatcatchers, red-bellied woodpeckers, and wood thrushers. Edge species included cuckoos, towhees, cowbirds, robins, grackles, and Indigo buntings. The relatively high richness at Reed-Turner Preserve may relate to the variety of different habitats present including a riparian and mesic ravine forests, and consequent high edge effect with adjacent properties.

Control and test transects for Middlefork and Reed-Turner Woods study sites showed 65-68% overlaps. Calculated overlaps were highest for Somme control transects; relatively low overlaps (46%) in contrast were measured between the semi-open test transect #4 and closed canopied and subcanopied test #2. Wadsworth study transects shared 50% of bird species.

DISCUSSION

Forests generally support higher bird populations than adjacent non-forested habitats; riparian forest systems have the highest density bird populations of all North American forests of equivalent area (Lacey et al. 1975). Avian density in forested areas is usually high compared to adjacent grasslands. Edges between forest and grassland have representative species found in both community types and species unique to the edge.

Forest habitats in and adjacent to some study areas were successional resulting from farming, logging, grazing, and fire suppression that occurred between the late 1800's and present day. Many of the larger trees at each site were of presettlement origin. No baseline data were available to this

project on the condition of the specific study areas during presettlement times. Many of the tree species present on each site reproduce vegetatively, and are not elminated completely by logging (i.e. stump suckering, etc.). Thus, we believe the existing forest tree species mix is similar to the presettlement condition. Structural aspects of the habitat have likely been modified and have undoubtedly influenced the avifauna. This is especially so if correlations between avian communities and habitat structure found to operate elsewhere apply at the study areas (Karr, 1968; Willson, 1974; MacArthur, 1964). We believe the avian communities at Middlefork Savanna may be most similar to presettlement savanna since this study area may be the best remaining example of resonably intact tall grass savanna. Relationships between globally extinct birds and this study are unknown. Also, because of the small size of the Middlefork study area, limitations on species packing and limits on use of the area by bird species requiring large home ranges may manifest.

Many forest birds either breed or feed in habitat edges. Disruption of edge habitat can cause great reduction of avians. Succession of historic open canopy savanna systems to densely vegetated forest was associated with a near 40% decline in bird species richness. Increasing habitat homogeneity in a two dimensional (vertical) and three dimensional spatial plane may relate closely to avian depauperization. Depauperization may also relate to the fact that where dense European buckthorn layers exists, little or no ground cover vegetation grew. Consequently seed and insect food resources for ground-brush foraging birds would be expected to be very poor. The habitat created by dense European buckthorn stands has very low perimeter to area ratios, shown to relate to poor avian and mammal wildlife richness and population densities (Patton,).

Prairies in the Midwest tended to be dominated by upland plovers, grasshopper sparrows, dickcissels, and meadowlarks. These prairie bird species would be especially attracted when the insects they feed on return or are accessible after savanna or prairie restoration. Meadowlarks and plovers eat mostly beetles, while dickcissels and grasshoper sparrows utilize lepidoptera and orthoptera insects and prairie grass seeds for food (Risser et al., 1981). Both groups consequently require forb and graminoid vegetation elements that have been largely eliminated especially where dense buckthorn now grows. In Kansas, prairie and savannas of bur oak merge and expansive relatively undisturbed areas that remain have been studied. The relative numbers of birds using savanna forest and prairie habitats has been evaluated in Kansas (Johnston, 1964). The author found 23 bird species, or-13% of the 176 species in Kansas, limited to use of the prairies. Risser et al. (1981), found 13-15 bird species used the prairies. In Kansas, about 58% of all birds were woodland species: some were at their range limits in the study region. Similar studies of the actual habitat-uses by birds for feeding and breeding are largely unavailable for Illinois, especially in the context of historic presettlement relationships.

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TABLE 1: Summary statistics for breeding and visiting birds at northern Illinois oak savanna remnants. Based on four surveys during 19-29 June 1986 using techniques modified after Emlen (1971).

STUDY AREA TRANSECT	NUMBER OF SPE BREEDING VISI		BREEDING /LINEAL M SPE IND	IND /SPE	SIMILA COM U	RITY
Middlefork Savanna					٠	
South (Co)	21	2	0.07 0.38	5.5	17	3
North (T)	22	5	0.09 0.36	4.0		5
Reed-Turner Preserve						
#2 Center Wood (Co)	28	0	0.14 0.27	1.9	21	7
#4 Center Woods (T)	25	0	0.17 0.56	3.4		4
#3 Short Treatment (Co	15	1	0.21 0.57	2.7		
Somme Woods						
Test 2 (C)	16	3	0.03 0.14	5.1	11	5
Test 4 (0)	21	5	0.04 0.15			8
Control #1 (C)	19	3	0.06 0.21	3.3	1.4	4
Control #2 (C)	15	3	0.05 0.19	3.8		. 1
Wadsworth Savanna						
North #3	21	1			14	6
South #2	22	3	0.07 0.31	4.3		8

SPE = Species

IND = Individual

COM = Common

UNI = Unique

(C) = Closed canopy

(O) = Open canopy

(Co) = Control transect

(T) = Test transect

TABLE 2A. Numbers of birds tallied along the 300 meter long transect in the Middlefork south control transect. Means are based on four surveys on 12-29 June, 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

						TOTAL	TOTAL
SPECIES	0-25a	25-50a	50-75m	75-100m	MEAN STD RIV	BREEDERS	VISITOR
	MEA	N MEAN	MEAN				
American Goldfinch				3 0.75	0.75 1.30 2.61	3	
American Robin	2 0.50				2.00 1.22 6.96	8	3
Blackcapped Chickadee	1 0.2				1.50 0.87 5.22	6	Ť
Plue Jay	4 1.0	2 0.50	2 0.50	5 1.25	3.25 1.30 11.30	13	
Common Grackle	1 0.2	j			0.25 0.43 0.87	1	2
Common Yellowthroat		2 0.50	6 1.50	5 1.25	3.25 2.38 11.30	13	1
Downy Woodpecker		4 1.00	1 0.25		1.25 1.64 4.35	5	
Eastern Wood Pewee	1 0.25	5 2 0.50		2 0.50	1.25 0.83 4.35	5	:
Field Sparrow	•	1 0.25			0.25 0.43 0.87	1	
Gray Catbird	1 0.25	j	1 0.25		0.50 0.50 1.74	2	
Indigo Bunting	1 0.25	1 0.25			0.50 0.50 1.74	2	
Nallard Duck							1
Morning Dove							1
Northern Cardinal		2 0.50	1 0.25	1 0.25	1.00 0.71 3.48	4	
Northern Flicker	1 0.23	2 0.50	2 0.50	1 0.25	1.50 0.50 5.22	6	
Northern Griole	3 0.75	5		2 0.50	1.25 1.30 4.35	5	
Rd Winged Blackbird	1 0.25	3 0.75	6 1.50		4.25 2.38 14.78	17	
Rufous Sided Towhee		2 0.50			0.75 0.83 2.61	3	
Song Sparrow		4 1.00		5 1.25	3.50 2.06 12.17	14	
Wh Breasted Nuthatch			1 0.25		0.75 0.83 2.61	3	
Wood Thrush			1 0.25	1 0.25	0.50 0.50 1.74	2	
Yellow Bellied Flycato	her		1 0.25		0.25 0.43 0.87	1	
Yellow Warbler		1 0.25			0.25 0.43 0.87	1	
TOTAL	16	33	30	36	28.7 100		
MEAN	1.6	2,35	2.14	2.76	•		
STD	1.01	1.04	1.88	1.96			

TABLE 2B. Numbers of birds tallied along the 240 meter long transect in the Middlefork North transect. Means are based on four surveys on 12-29 June 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

SPECIES	0-25a Mean	25-50m MEAN	50-75# MEAN	75-100m MEAN	MEAN STD RIV	TOTAL Breeder	TOTAL VISITOR
American Crow		,,,,,,	/	7,2,7,1	•		1
American Goldfinch	2 0.50	2 0.50	1 0.25	1 0.25	1.50 0.50 6.82	6	3
American Robin			1 0.25	3 0.75	1.00 1.22 4.55	4	1
Blackcapped Chickadee				1 0.25	0.25 0.43 1.14	1	
Bluegray Gnatcatcher Chimney Swift	5 1.25	i			1.25 2.17 5.68	5	1
Common Yellowthroat	1 0.25	5 1.25	3 0.75	1 0.25	2.50 1.66 11.36	10	•
Downy Woodpecker		3 0.75			1.00 1.22 4.55	4	
Eastern Wood Pewee	1 0.25				1.00 0.71 4.55	4	t
European Starling	1 0.25				0.50 0.50 2.27	2	•
Field Sparrow		1 0.25			0.50 0.50 2.27	2	
Gray Cathird	1 0.25				0.50 0.50 2.27	2	
Great Heron							1 .
Indigo Bunting		1 0.25			0.25 0.43 1.14	1	
Least Flycatcher		1 0.25	ı	3 0.75	1.00 1.22 4.55	4	1
Morning Dove							1
Northern Cardinal			1 0.25		0.25 0.43 1.14	1	
Northern Flicker			1 0.25	1 0.25	0.50 0.50 2.27	2	
Northern Oriole	2 0.50)	1 0.25		0.75 0.83 3.41	3	1
Rd Eyed Vireo				1 0.25	0.25 0.43 1.14	1	
Rd Winged Blackbird		7 1.75	1 0.25	3 0.75	2.75 2.68 12.50	11	1
Rufous Sided Towhee		1 0.25	2 0.50	4 1.00	1.75 1.48 7.95	7	
Song Sparrow		6 1.50	3 0.75	3 0.75	3.00 2.12 13.64	12	1 1
Swamp Sparrow				1 0.25	0.25 0.43 1.14	1	
Tree Swallow							1
Wh Breasted Nuthatch		1 0.25		1 0.25	0.50 0.50 2.27	2	
Yellow Warbler	1 0.25	2 0.50	:	:	0.75 0.83 3.41	3	1
TOTAL	14	23	18	23	22 100		
MEAN	1.75	2.35	1,5	1.91			
STD	1.29	2.02	0.76	1.11			

TABLE 3A. Numbers of birds tallied along the 150 meter long transect in the Reed-Turner center woods burn 4. Means are based on four surveys on 12-29 June 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

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SPECIES	0-25a Mean	25-50a Mean	50-75m I MEAN	75-100m MEAN	MEAN STD	RIV	BREEDERS	VISITORS
Acadian Flycatcher	IICHN	HEHR	LICHN	2 0.50	0.50 0.87	2.70	2	1
American Robin	1 0.25	1 0.25	i	1 0130	0.50 0.50	2.70	2	1
Blackcapped Chickadee	2 0.50				1.50 0.87		6	
Bluegray Gnatcatcher	2 4100	1 0.25			0.25 0.43	1.35	1	
Blue Jay	3 0.75		1 0.25	1 0.25		6.76		
Br Headed cowbird	0 01/0		2 0.50		0.50 0.87	2.70	2	
Cedar Waxwing		1 0.25			0.25 0.43		1	3
Common Grackle		3 0.75		1 0.25	1.00 1.22		4	1
Dawny Noodpecker	1 0.25			1 0.25	1.00 0.71		4	•
Eastern Wood Pewee	1 0.25		,	1 0.25	0.50 0.50		2	
Gray Cathird	1 4.73	1 0.25		1 0.17		1.35	1	
Gr Crested Flycatcher		1 0.25		2 0.50	1.00 0.71		i A	
Hairy Woodpecker		1 0.25		2 0.30		1.35	1	
House Wren	4 1.00			2 0.50		9.46	7	
Indiga Bunting	7 1.00	3 0.75		1 0.25	1.00 1.22		4	
Northern Cardinal		1 0.25			1.25 1.09		5	
Northern Flicker		1 0.2		1 0.23	0.25 0.43	1.35	+	
Oven Bird	1 0.25						2	
	1 0.23	1 0.25	J	2 0 50	0.50 0.50			
Rd Bellied Woodpecker Rd Eyed Vireo	4 1.00	7 0 75	7 4 75	2 0.50	0.50 0.87		2 10	
•	1 0.25		3 0.75		2.50 1.50			1
Rose Breast Grossbeak	1 0.23		4 0 05		0.25 0.43		1	
Rufous Sided Towhee			1 0.25		0.25 0.43		1 7	
Wh Breasted Nuthatch		1 0.25			0.75 0.83		3	
Yellow Billed Cuckoo	2 4 54	1 0.25	1		0.25 0.43		1	į
Yellow Throated Vireo	2 0.50				0.50 0.87	2.70	2	
TOTAL	20	25	15	14	18.5	100		
MEAN	2	1.47	1.87	1.4		• • •		
STD	1.18	0.77	0.78	0.48				

TABLE 3B. Numbers of birds tallied along the 200 meter long study transect in the Reed-Turner Center Woods No Burn transect 2. Means are based on four surveys on 12-29 June 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

						TOTAL	TOTAL
SPECIES	0-25#	25-50m	50-75 a	75-100a	MEAN STD RIV	BREEDERS	VISITOR
A 11 Pt 1.1	MEAN	MEAN		MEAN			
Acadian Flycatcher			1 0.25		0.25 0.43 1.06	1	_
American Goldfinch	1 0.25			-	0.25 0.43 1.06	1	2
American Robin		2 0.50			1.00 1.00 4.25	4	
Blackcapped Chickadee	1 0.25		1 0.25		1.25 1.09 5.31	5	
Bluegray Gnatcatcher		1 0.25			0.25 0.43 1.06	1	
Blue Jay	1 0.25			1 0.25	2.75 2.05 11.7	11	
Br Headed combird		1 0.25	1 0.25		0.50 0.50 2.12	2	
Cedar Waxwing	1 0.25	i	1 0.25	1 0.25	0.75 0.43 3.19	3	1
Common Grackle	2 0.50	1 0.25			0.75 0.83 3.19	3	3
Common Yellowthroat				2 0.50	0.50 0.87 2.12	2	
Dawny Woodpecker		1 0.25	1 0.25	1 0.25	0.75 0.43 3.19	3	
Eastern Wood Pewee				5 1.25	1.25 2.17 5.31	5	
European Starling				2 0.50	0.50 0.87 2.12	2	
Gray Cathird		2 0.50	1 0.25		0.75 0.83 3.19	3	
Gr Crested Flycatcher			1 0.25	4 1.00	1.25 1.64 5.31	5	
House Wren				3 0.75	0.75 1.30 3.19	3	
Indigo Bunting	1 0.25	1 0.25	1 0.25	4 1.00	1.75 1.30 7.44	7	
Morning Dave	2 0.50)	2 0.50	3 0.75	1.75 1.09 7.44	7	
Northern Cardinal	1 0.25	2 0.50	1 0.25	1 0.25	1.25 0.43 5.31	5	
Northern Flicker		1 0.25			0.25 0.43 1.06	. 1	
Rd Bellied Woodpecker	1 0.25	3 0.75			1.00 1.22 4.25	4	
Rd Eyed Vireo	1 0.25	2 0.50	3 0.75	3 0.75	2.25 0.83 9.57	9	
Rd Winged Blackbird		1 0.25			0.25 0.43 1.06	1	
Rose Breast Grossbeak			1 0.25		0.25 0.43 1.06	1	
Swainsons Thrush			2 0.50		0.50 0.87 2.12	2	
Wh Breasted Nuthatch	1 0.25	i			0.25 0.43 1.06	1	
Wood Thrush			1 0.25		0.25 0.43 1.06	1	
Yellow Billed Cuckoo		1 0.25			0.25 0.43 1.06	1	
TOTALS	11	15	16	12	23.5 100		
MEAN	1.18	1.66	1.62	2.5			
STD	0.38	0.78	1.26	1.32			

TABLE 3C. Numbers of birds tallied along the 70 meter long transect in the Reed-turner No burn 3. Means are based on four surveys on 12-29 June 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

COLOTEC	A 25-	25 57	FA 75	75 400	Mest 4-5 -50.	TOTAL	TOTAL
SPECIES	0-25m Mean	25-50m Mean	50-75m Mean	75-100m MEAN	MEAN STD RIV	BREEDERS	VISITOR
American Crow	CIEPIN	ii iicmi	11E HIL	NCMI			1
American Robin	1 0.25		2 0.50		0.75 0.83 7.50	3	2
Blackcapped Chickadee		2 0.50			1.25 1.30 12.50	5	~
Blue Jay	1 0.25		1 0.25		2.00 2.35 20.00	8	
Cedar Waxwing				1 0.25	0.25 0.43 2.50	1	
Common Grackle		2 0.50			0.50 0.87 5.00	2	
Downy Woodpecker		1 0.25	1 0.25	2 0.50	1.00 0.71 10.00	4	
Eastern Wood Pewee				1 0.25	0.25 0.43 2.50	1	•
Gr Crested Flycatcher			1 0.25	3 0.75	1.00 1.22 10.00	4	1
House Wren	2 0.50	1 0.25			0.75 0.83 7.50	3.	
Northern Cardinal				1 0.25	0.25 0.43 2.50	1	
Northern Flicker			2 0.50	ı	0.50 0.87 5.00	2 ·	
Northern Oriole			1 0.25	į	0.25 0.43 2.50	1	
Rd Eyed Vireo			1 0.25	2 0.50	0.75 0.83 7.50	3	
Rd Winged Blackbird			1 0.25	i.	0.25 0.43 2.50	1	
Wood Thrush		1 0.25	i		0.25 0.43 2.50	1	
TOTAL	4	7	13	16	10 100		
MEAN	1.33	1.4	1.44	2.28			
STD	0.47	0.48	0.68	1.56			

TABLE 4B. Numbers of birds tallied along the 500 meter long transect in the Somme Woods transect 4. Means are based on four surveys on 12-29 June 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

SPECIES	0-25a MEAN	25-50m Mean	50-75m MEAN	75-100m MEAN	MEAN	STD	RIV	TOTAL BREEDERS	TOTAL VISITORS
American Crow									ı
Acadian Flycatcher	1 0.25			•	0.25	0.43	1.33	1	
American Goldfinch	7 1:75	2 0.50	1 0.25				13.33	10	3
American Robin	2 0.50	1 0.25					4.00	3	4 .
Blackcapped Chickadee	3 0.75				0.75	1.30	4.00	3	
Br Headed combird		1 0.25			0.25	0.43	1.33	1	2
Brown Thrasher	1 0.25				0.25	0.43	1.33	1	1
Chestnut Sided Warbler	•	1 0.25			0.25	0.43	1.33	1	
Common Grackle									. 3
Common Yellowthroat	2 0.50				0.50	0.87	2.67	2	
Downy Woodpecker	1 0.25				0.25	0.43	1.33	1	
Field Sparrow	1 0.25	2 0.50			0.75	0.83	4.00	3	
Bray Catbird	2 0.50	1 0.25			0.75	0.83	4.00	3	1
House Wren	2 0.50	2 0.50			1.00	1.00	5.33	4	
Indige Bunting	3 0.75	3 0.75			1.50	1.50	8.00	6	1
Northern Cardinal	4 1.00				1.00	1.73	5.33	4	3
Northern Flicker	5 1.25	1 0.25			1.50	2.06	8.00	6	1
Northern Oriole	1 0.25	1 0.25			0.50	0.50	2.67	2	,
Morning Dove									2
Rd Eyed Vireo	1 0.25				0.25	0.43	1.33	t .	
Rd Winged Blackbird	6 1.50	5 1.25	3 0.75		3.50	2.29	18.67	14	
Rock Dove									<u>2</u> 1
Scarlet Tanager								4	1
Song Sparrow	1 0.25	5 1.25			1.50	2.06	8.00	6	
Wh Breasted Nuthatch	1 0,25				0.25	0.43	1.33	1	
Yellow Warbler	1 0.25	1 0.25			0.50	0.50	2.67		: Us
TOTAL	45	26	4	0	18.7		100		• '
MEAN	2.36	2	2	-					
STD	1.81	1.41	1						:

TABLE 4C. Numbers of birds tailied along the 300 meter long study transect in the Somme Woods, Control #1 transect. Means are baseed on the four surveys on 12-29 June 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

<u></u>								TOTAL	TOTAL
SPECIES	0-25a	25~50e	50-75 *	75-100a	MEAN	STD	RIV	BREEDERS	VISITOR
	MEAN			MEAN					
American Crow		3 9.75			0.75	1.30	4.76	3	
American Goldfinch		_		•					4
American Robin	7 1.7						11.11	7	
Blackcapped Chickadee	10 2.50				2.50	4.33	15.87	10	2
Blue Jay	3 0.75	•		•	0.75	1.30	4.76	3	2
Br Headed cowbird		2 0.50			0.50	0.87	3.17	2	
Cedar Waxwing	•								ţ
Common Grackle	1 0.25	}			0.25	0.43	1.59	1	4
Downy Woodpecker	3 0.75	j			0.75	1.30	4,76	3	
Eastern Wood Pewee		1 0.25	İ		0.25	0.43	1.59	1	
European Starling		1 0.25			0.25	0.43	1.59	1	
Gray Cathird	1 0.2	į			0.25	0.43	1.59	1	
Gr Crested Flycatcher	4 1.00)			1.00	1.73	4.35	4	
Morning Dave									2
Northern Cardinal	4 1.0	1 0.23			1.25	1.64	7.94	5	2
Northern Flicker		3 0.75	!		0.75	1.30	4.76	3	
Northern Oriole	1 0.25	ĵ			0.25	0.43	1.59	1	
Rd Eyed Vireo	1 0.2	5			0.25	0.43	1.59	1	
Rd Winged Blackbird	4 1,0	0 2 0.50	ļ		1.50	1.66	9.52	. 6	1
Rose Breast Grossbeak	2 0.50)			0.50	0.87	3.17	2	
Song Sparrow	1 0.2				0.25	0.43	1.59	1	
Wh Breasted Nuthatch	1 0.2				0.25	0.43	1.59	1	
Wood Thrush	1 0.2		1 0.25		1.75	1.92	11.11	7	
TOTALS	44	18	1	0	15.7		100.0		
MEAN	2.93	2.25	1						
STD	2.54	1.29	0						

TABLE 4D. Numbers of birds tallied along the 300 meter long study transect in the Somme Woods Control #2 transect. Means are based on four surveys on 12-29 June 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

										TOTAL	TOTAL	
SPECIES	0-25	1	25~50) ne	50-75m	75-100m	MEAN	STD	RIV	BREEDERS	VISITOR	
		MEAN		MEAN	MEAN	NEAN						
American Robin	6	1.50	4	1.00			2.50	2.60	17.54	10		
Blackcapped Chickade	4	1.00	3	0.75			1.75	1.79	12.28	7	3	
Blue Jay		0.75					4		5.26	3	4	
Br Headed cowbird	-	0.00	2	0.50					3.51	2		
Cedar Waxwing		•••	_				V.0V	V • • ·		•	1	
Common Grackle											3	
Downy Woodpecker	- 1	0.25					0.25	0.43	1.75	1	•	
Gray Cathird		0.50							3.51	2		
Hairy Woodpecker		0.25							1.75	1		
Northern Cardinal		1.25	Δ	1.00					15.79	9	4	
Northern Flicker		0.25		0.25					3.51	2	7	
Northern Oriole		0.25		VILU					1.75	1		
Rd Eyed Vireo		0.25		0.25					3.51	2		
Rd Winged Blackbird		1.75		0.25					14.04	8	2	
Ring-Billed Gull	,	1.10	i	0.23			2.00	2.72	14.04	o	1	
•		۸ ne					6 7E	A 17	. 75		1	
Rose Breast Grossbea		0.25							1.75	1		
Song Sparrow		0.25							1.75	1 -		
Wood Thrush	2	0.50	Ś	0.75			1.25	1.30	8.77	5	1	
TOTAL	37		20		0	0	14.2		100			
MEAN	2.46		2.22		V	V	14.7		100			
SID	1.99		1.22									

TABLE 4A. Numbers of birds tallied along the 600 meter long transect in the Somme Woods transect 2. Means are based on four surveys on 12-29 June 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

SPEC1ES	0-25a	25-50a	50-75m	75-100a	MEAN S	STD RIV	TOTAL Breeder	TOTAL VISITOR
	MEAN						ZITEELA	71041011
American Erow								2
American Goldfinch		5 1.25		•	1.25 2.	17 6.17	5	-
American Robin	3 0.75	}				30 3.70	3	5
Barn Swallow	•				4			1
Blackcapped Chickadee	1 0.25	i			0.25 0.	43 1.23	1	
Blue Jay	9 2.25	2 0.50	•		2.75 3.	70 13.58	11	1
Br Headed cowbird	1 0.25	5			0.25 0.	43 1.23	1	
Common Grackle	2 0.50	1 0.25	i		0.75 0.	.83 3.70	3	2
Downy Woodpecker	1 0.25	1 0.25	i		0.50 0	50 2.47	2	
Eastern Wood Pewee	2 0.50)			0.50 0.	87 2.47	2	
Gr Crested Flycatcher	1 0.25	1 0.25	1 0.25	i	0.75 0.	43 3.70	3	
Indigo Bunting		2 0.50)		0.50 0.	87 2.47	2	
Morning Dave		1 0.25	;		0.25 0	43 1.23	1	
Northern Cardinal	7 1.75	4 1.00	1 0.25	5	3.00 2.	74 14.81	12	1
Northern Flicker	1 0.25	2 0.50	1 0.25	ì	1.00 0.	71 4.94	4	2
Northern Oriole		3 0.75	}		0.75 1.	30 3.70	3	
Rock Dove								ţ
Rd Winged Blackbird	10 2.50	10 2.50	2 0.50)	5.50 4.	56 27.16	22	5
Song Sparrow	2 0.50	2 0.50)		1.00 1	.00 4.94	4	
TOTAL	40	2 7	5	0	20.2	100		
MEAN	3.33	2,76	1.25					
STO	3.19	2.39	0.43					

TABLE 5A. Numbers of birds tallied along the 300 meter long transect in the Wadsworth North 3 Transect. Means are based on four surveys on 12-29 June 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transpect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

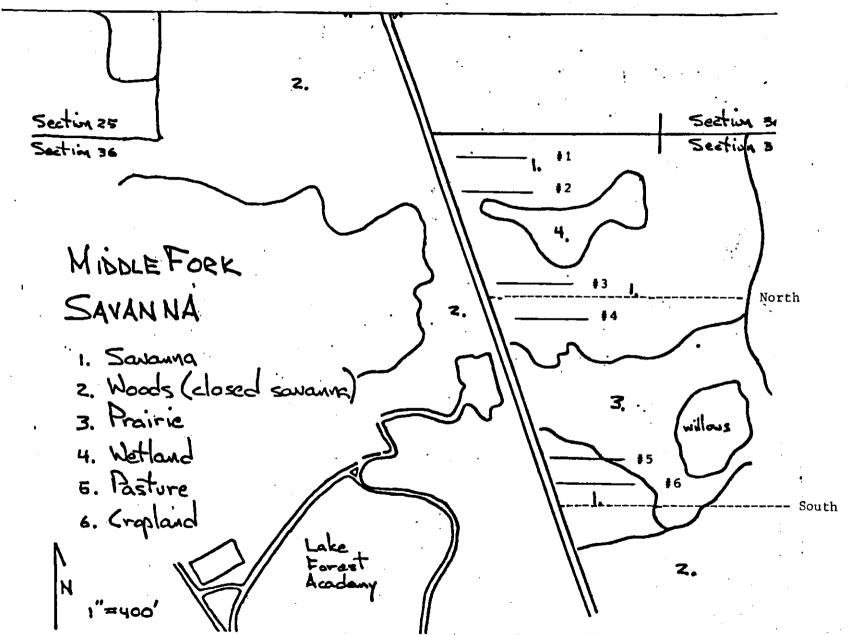
pprojec	A 75-	DE 54	ro 3r	70 400	MPAN STR COL		TOTAL
SPECIES	0-25a	25-50m	50-75m	75-100a	MEAN STD RIV	BREEDERS	VISITOR
American Coldlingh	MEAN		MEAN		0 7E 0 07 7 11	7	
American Goldfinch	1 0 05	2 0.50	1 0.25		0.75 0.83 3.66	3	
Blackburnian Warbler	1 0.25				0.25 0.43 1.22	1	
Blackcapped Chickadee		4 1.00	1 0.25		1.25 1.64 6.10	5	
Blue Jay	2 0.50			1 0.25	0.75 0.83 3.66	3	3
Br Headed cowbird	1 0.25				0.25 0.43 1.22	1	
Downy Woodpecker		3 0.75			0.75 1.30 3.66	3	
Eastern Wood Pewee		2 0.50	2 0.50		1.00 1.00 4.88	4	
Field Sparrow		1 0.25	1 0.25		0.50 0.50 2.44	2	
Br Crested Flycatcher	3 0.75		1 0.25		1.00 1.22 4.88	4	
Gray Cathird	2 0.50				0.50 0.87 2.44	2	
Green Heron			1 0.25		0.25 0.43 1.22	1	
Hermit Thrush			1 0.25	1 0.25	0.50 0.50 2.44	2	
Least Flycatcher	1 0,25	2 0.50			0.75 0.83 3.66	3	
Northern Cardinal	2 0.50			2 0.50	1.50 0.50 7.32	6	
Northern Flicker		- **	1 0.25	_	0.25 0.43 1.22	1	
Rd Winged Blackbird	1 0.25	3 0.75			3.75 2.59 18.29	15	
Rufous Sided Towhee	1 0.25		2 0.50		1.25 0.83 6.10	5	
Song Sparrow		3 0.75		2 0.50	1.25 1.30 6.10	5	
Swamp Sparrow		2 VIII		1 0.25	0.25 0.43 1.22	1	
Tree Swallow				1 (1.13	V.13 V.43 1.21		1
Wood Thrush		2 0.50		1 0.25	0.75 0.83 3.66	3	
Yellow Throated Vireo							
teriom taroated Arreo		5 1.25	4 1.00	3 0.75	3.00 1.87 14.63	12	
TOTAL	14	28	19	21	20.5 100		
MEAN	1.55	2.54	1.58	2.33			
STD	0.68	1.15	0.95	2.10		٠	

TABLE 5B. Numbers of tallied birds along the 300 meter long transect in the Wadsworth South Transect 2. Means are based on four surveys on 12-29 June 1986. Birds were recorded in 25 meter wide belts from a center transect following methods modified after Emlen (1971).

SPECIES	0-25e	25-50s	50-75a	75-100m	MEAN STD RIV	TOTAL	TOTAL
Si Cuilly	MEAN				UCHU SID WIA	BREEDER	VISITOR
American Robin	772274	1 0.25			1.00 1.22 4.26	4	
American Goldfinch				,			1
Blackcapped Chickade	2	4 1.00	2 0.50		1.50 1.66 6.38	6	•
Blue Jay		2 0.50		2 0.50	1.00 0.87 4.26	4	1
Bluegray Gnatcatcher		1 0.25			0.25 0.43 1.06	1	•
Cedar Waxwing			1 0.25		0.25 0.43 1.06	1	_
Common Grackle			2 0.50		0.50 0.87 2.13	2	1
Downy Woodpecker	1 0.25	1 0.25			0.50 0.50 2.13	2	,
Field Sparrow		-	2 0.50	5 1.25	1.75 0.87 7.45	7	
Gr Crested Flycatche	1 0.25		2 0.50		0.75 0.83 3.19	3	
Gray Cathird	7 1.75	2 0.50	1 0.25		2.50 2.69 10.64	10	
Great Heron							1
Least Flycatcher	1 0.25				0.25 0.43 1.06	1	
Mallard Duck	2 0.50				0.50 0.87 2.13	2	
Northern Cardinal	2 0.50)	2 0.50		1.00 1.00 4.26	4	
Northern Flicker	1 0.25			3 0.75	1.00 0.43 4.26	4	
Rd Bellied Woodpecke			1 0.25		0.50 0.43 2.13	2	
Rd Winged Blackbird	2 0.50		4 1.00		2.25 1.66 9.57	9	1
Rufous Sided Towhee	3 0.75	3 0.75	1 0.25	3 0.75	2.50 1.30 10.64	10	
Song Sparrow				2 0.50	0.50 0.00 2.13	2	
Tree Swallow							1
Wood Pewee	2 0.50	2 0.50	1 0.25	1 0.25	1.50 0.83 6.38	6	
Wood Thrush				3 0.75	0.75 0.00 3.19	3	
Yellow Billed Cuckoo				1 0.25	0.25 0.00 1.06	1	
Yellow Throated Vire	0	1 0.25	4 1.00	5 1.25	2.50 1.64 10.64	10	
TOTAL	22	17	26	29	23.5 100		
MEAN	2.2	1.88	2	2.63		•	
STD	1.72	0.99	1.03	1.36			

APPENDIX 1. Study area and transect, location maps.

Figure 1. Location of avian study transects (----) at the Wadsworth Savanna. To: Wadsworth * Telephone pole * = White Dok



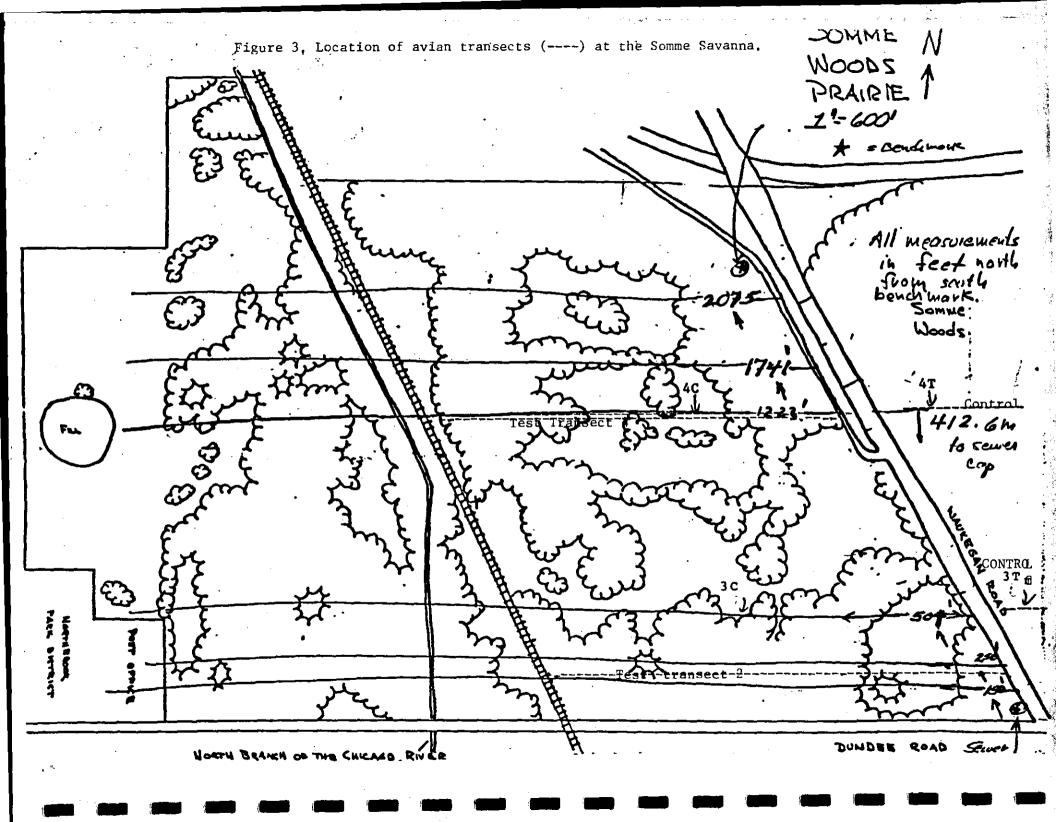


Figure 4. Location of avian transects (----) at the Reed Turner Nature Preserve.

