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## Abstract

The Canadian Migration Monitoring Network - Réseau canadien de surveillance des migrations (CMMN-RCSM) was formed in 1998 as a cooperative venture among a dozen independent migration monitoring stations, Bird Studies Canada and the Canadian Wildlife Service. Since then, the network has expanded to over 20 stations across Canada that monitor the spring and/or fall migration of over 150 species of landbirds, about 80 of which breed in Canada's boreal and other northern forests and are not well monitored by established breeding bird surveys.

In addition to participating in special collaborative research projects on migration and stop-over ecology, CMMN stations conduct daily counts of migrants during spring and/or fall migration. Up until 2006, 10 years of migration count data had been collected at 14 stations during at least one migration season. Using migration count data, we estimated annual population indices using a generalized linear model which controls for effects of date. Population trajectories (trends) in annual indices were then modeled for each species and station using linear models for stations having less than 10 years of data, and polynomial models for stations having 10 or more years of data.

Broad regional similarities in population trends were supported by positive between-station correlations of annual indices at relatively short interstation distances. However, correlations were zero or even negative beyond about 2000 km. Furthermore, trends within a region were more similar than trends among regions, with more positive trends in Ontario (spring and fall) and Western (fall) regions and more negative trends in Prairie (spring and fall) and Eastern (fall) regions.

Taken together across the country, population trends were not affected by migration strategy (temperate vs neotropical migrant) or by ecoregional association (boreal vs non-boreal). Hence, at the national level, roughly equal proportions of neotropical migrants and temperate migrants were declining or increasing. However, we did see regional differences in these patterns. For example, more species in the Prairie region exhibited negative trends in spring and fall for both neotropical and temperate migrants (including species breeding in the boreal forest) than other regions of Canada.

Breeding Bird Survey (BBS) coverage in Canada is primarily restricted to the southern part of the country. For species that have ranges that are predominantly within areas of high BBS coverage, good correlations would be expected between BBS regional trend statistics and those developed from migration monitoring. However, correlations would be expected to be weak or non-existent for species that breed predominantly in northern areas outside the main area of BBS coverage. To investigate this, we compared long-term annual indices and trends (1968-2006) at Long Point Bird Observatory with BBS statistics from Ontario. Results indicated that migration monitoring is indeed measuring a similar population signal to BBS for species breeding primarily in the south, particularly in spring. However, this relationship breaks down for species breeding primarily north of BBS coverage. By inference, these results further support the notion that migration monitoring can be used to effectively monitor the status of boreal/northern breeding birds where BBS coverage is weak.

Further scientific advances in migration monitoring are underway with the development of new analytical approaches and a large collaborative isotope project that will help reveal the geographic origins of birds sampled at migration stop-over sites.

## Résumé

C'est en 1998 que le Réseau canadien de surveillance des migrations (RCSM) a été mis sur pied, à titre d'initiative conjointe. Il rassemblait une douzaine de stations indépendantes de surveillance des migrations, Études d'Oiseaux Canada et le Service canadien de la faune. Le réseau est passé depuis à plus de 20 stations situées dans l'ensemble du Canada qui assurent la surveillance des migrations du printemps ou d'automne de plus de 150 espèces d'oiseaux terrestres, dont environ 80 se reproduisent dans la forêt boréale ou dans d'autres forêts du Nord et font l'objet d'une surveillance incomplète dans le cadre des relevés établis des oiseaux nicheurs.

En plus de contribuer à des projets spéciaux de recherche conjointe portant sur les migrations et l'écologie d'étape, le personnel des stations du RCSM dénombre quotidiennement les oiseaux migrateurs au printemps, à l'automne ou durant les deux périodes de migration. À la fin de 2006, des données de dénombrement sur 10 ans avaient été recueillies à 14 stations au cours d'une période de migration au moins. À partir des relevés migratoires, nous avons établi des indices annuels de population en procédant par estimation au moyen d'un modèle linéaire général qui tient compte des effets de la période de l'année. Les projections (tendances) démographiques obtenues à partir des indices annuels ont ensuite été modélisées par espèce et par station, à l'aide de modèles linéaires dans le cas des stations possédant des résultats pour moins de 10 ans et de modèles polynomiaux dans le cas des stations possédant des résultats s'étendant sur au moins 10 ans.

L'obtention de corrélations positives par comparaison entre eux des indices annuels de diverses stations assez rapprochées les unes des autres a permis de confirmer l'existence de grandes lignes de ressemblance entre les régions sur le plan des tendances démographiques. Toutefois, pour les stations situées à plus de 2000 km de distance les unes des autres, les corrélations prennent une valeur nulle ou même négative. De plus, les tendances observées au sein d'une même région sont plus étroitement apparentées qu'elles ne le sont entre les régions. Les tendances sont davantage positives dans les régions de l'Ontario (au printemps et à l'automne) et de l'Ouest (à l'automne), et elles sont davantage négatives dans les régions des Prairies (au printemps et à l'automne) et de l'Est (à l'automne).

À l'échelle du pays, la stratégie de migration (populations migratrices des régions tempérées par opposition aux populations néotropicales) et l'association écorégionale (populations boréales ou non boréales) n'influent pas sur les tendances démographiques. C'est donc dire que les migrants néotropicaux et les migrants des régions tempérées sont en déclin ou en hausse dans des proportions sensiblement égales dans tout le Canada,. Nous avons cependant observé des écarts régionaux quant à ces tendances. Par exemple, un plus grand nombre d'espèces migratoires des Prairies (tant des régions néotropicales que des régions tempérées, y compris les espèces nichant dans la forêt boréale) que des autres régions présente des tendances négatives au printemps et à l'automne.

Au Canada, la couverture du Relevé des oiseaux nicheurs se limite en bonne partie au sud du pays. Lorsqu'il s'agit d'espèces dont l'aire de répartition se trouve principalement dans les secteurs où la surveillance est étendue, on est en droit de s'attendre à de bonnes corrélations entre les tendances régionales associées à ces derniers et les tendances dérivées de la surveillance des mouvements migratoires. À l'inverse, les corrélations devraient être peu marquées, voire inexistantes dans le cas des espèces se reproduisant surtout hors des principaux secteurs de couverture. Pour vérifier cette hypothèse, nous avons comparé sur une longue échelle les indices annuels et les tendances (1968-2006) relevés à l'Observatoire d'oiseaux de Long Point et les statistiques du relevé de l'Ontario. D'après les résultats, la surveillance des mouvements migratoires permet effectivement de mesurer un signal démographique semblable à celui mesuré au moyen du relevé lorsqu'il s'agit d'espèces nichant dans le sud, particulièrement au printemps. Toutefois, ce rapport ne se vérifie plus dans le cas des espèces nichant principalement au nord des secteurs ciblés par le relevé. Par inférence, ces résultats tendent à renforcer la notion à l'effet que la surveillance des mouvements migratoires peut servir à suivre l'état des populations des oiseaux nicheurs des régions boréales ou septentrionales, là où la couverture du relevé est incomplète.

Grâce à la mise au point de nouvelles méthodes d'analyse et à un important projet conjoint faisant appel à des isotopes pour aider à déterminer l'origine géographique de migrants capturés dans leurs haltes migratoires, de nouvelles percées scientifiques dans la surveillance des mouvements migratoires sont à portée de main.

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## Introduction

In North America, the northward flood of millions of brightly coloured neotropical landbirds from their wintering grounds in Central and South America to their breeding grounds in the northern forest regions is one of the wonders of spring. In spring, neotropical migrants are preceded by temperate species, such as American Robin, that winter in the United States and southern Canada. In fall, the pattern of migration is generally reversed, with neotropical migrants preceding the hardier temperate species. Although the spring landbird migration generally attracts more attention than the fall migration, the number of migrants is actually much higher in fall with the addition of the new cohort of young birds.

The many species of warblers, thrushes, flycatchers, vireos, sparrows and other species that make up these bi-annual waves of migrants more than just mark the arrival of spring and fall, they are also considered to be barometers of the health of the diverse ecosystems of the Western Hemisphere. Their numbers fluctuate depending on the abundance of food and availability of suitable nesting habitat in the dynamic northern and boreal forest ecosystems, while their over-winter survival depends on the quality of habitat on their wintering grounds, which could be Andean cloud forests in Peru, tropical lowland forests in Central America, evergreen forests in Mexico, or dry scrublands in the Caribbean. These small migrants are also affected by habitat quality at migration stopover locations, where they stop to refuel while en-route through the United States and southern Canada. Given the rate at which habitat and ecosystems are changing throughout the Americas, it is no wonder that many species of neotropical landbird migrants that nest in North America's northern forest biome (hereafter 'northern forest'; Figure 1) are of high conservation interest.

The tri-national North American Bird Conservation Initiative (NACBI) and Partners in Flight (PIF) both recognize the importance of monitoring the status of bird populations if species are to be conserved and managed effectively (e.g., Rich et al. 2004). The primary landbird monitoring program in North America is the Breeding Bird Survey (BBS), which is a roadside count of birds on their breeding grounds. However, in Canada, the breeding range of about 80 landbird species is largely north of the road network and inaccessible. These species include northern breeding neotropical migrants such as Gray-cheeked and Swainson's thrushes, Alder and Yellow-bellied flycatchers, and Blackpoll, Cape May, Connecticut, Wilson's, and Tennessee warblers. For these and other species that breed in the northern forests, alternative population monitoring methods are required. Because these northern breeding birds migrate through southern Canada and the United States in spring and fall, where people and birders are concentrated, surveying birds on migration is a logical focus for monitoring their populations. Moreover, migration monitoring is particularly important for neotropical species that are not monitored on their wintering grounds, unlike temperate species which are monitored by programs such as Christmas Bird Count and Project FeederWatch.

Over the past 50 years, numerous independent bird observatories and migration research stations have been established at migration hot spots in Canada and the United States. In 1994, a North American Migration Monitoring Council was formed in recognition of the need to expand and integrate migration monitoring activities under one umbrella program. While the North America-wide cooperative initiative is still in its early development, a Canada-wide network of bird migration monitoring stations was formally established in 1998 as the Canadian Migration Monitoring Network - Réseau canadien de surveillance des migrations (CMMN-RCSM; hereafter referred to as CMMN).

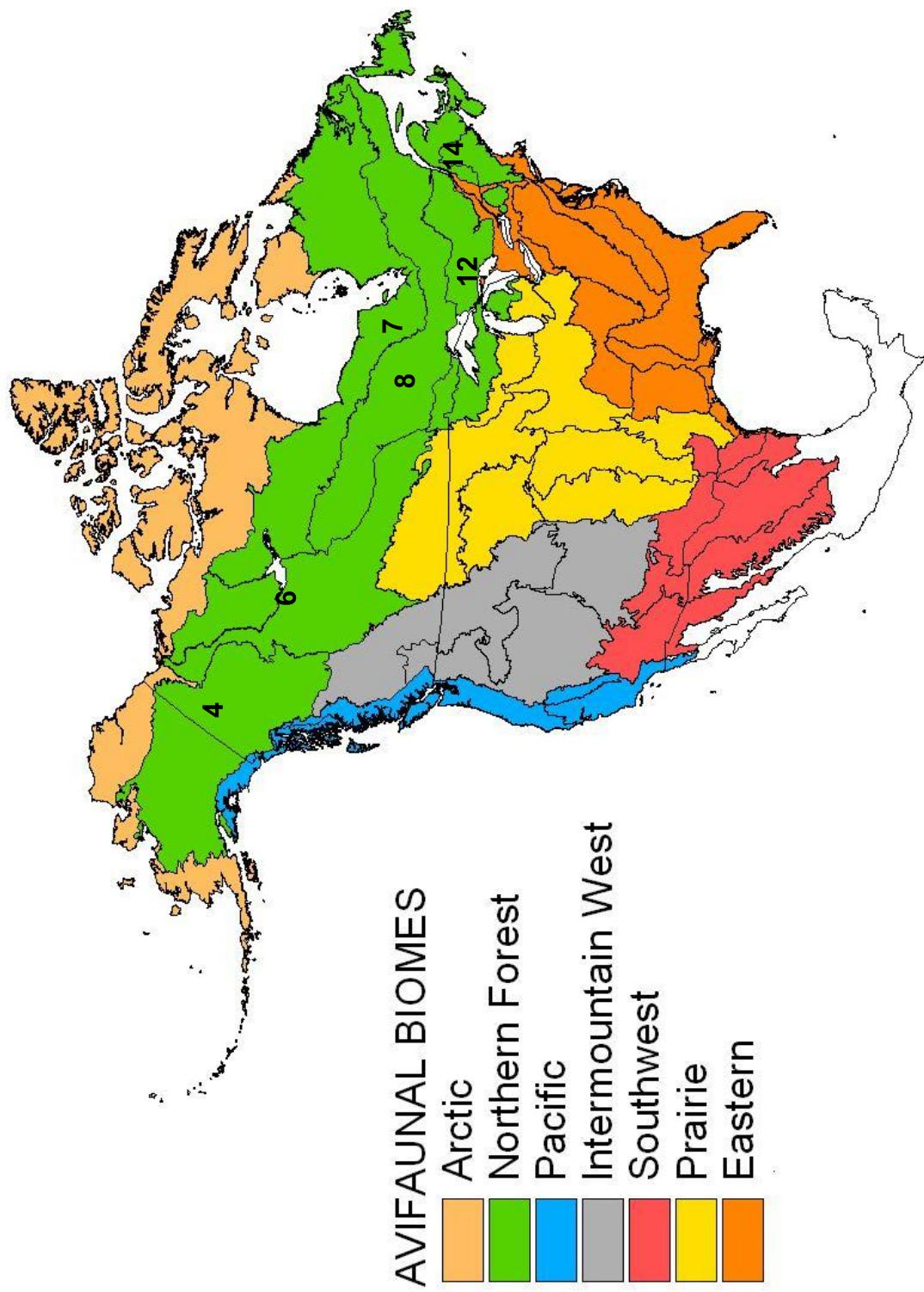


FIGURE 1. AVIFAUNAL BIOMES IN NORTH AMERICA. IN CANADA, THE NORTHERN FOREST REGION INCLUDES (FROM LEFT TO RIGHT) BIRD CONSERVATION REGION (BCR) 4 (NORTHWESTERN INTERIOR FOREST), BCR 6 (BOREAL PLAINS), BCR 7 (TAIGA SHIELD AND HUDSON PLAINS), BCR 8 (BOREAL SOFTWOOD SHIELD), BCR 12 (BOREAL HARDWOOD TRANSITION), AND BCR 14 (ATLANTIC NORTHERN FOREST).

## ***The Canadian Migration Monitoring Network***

The CMMN was formed in 1998 as a cooperative venture between independent migration monitoring stations, Bird Studies Canada (BSC; a non-profit research organization), and the federal government's Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS), an agency of Environment Canada. In addition to the formal member stations, several other stations contribute to the Network as associates (Figure 2). Collectively, over 25 stations in Canada now compile count information on millions of migrating birds each year, encompassing more than 250 species.

Since 1998, the CMMN has continued to expand and evolve. In 2005, a formal Steering Committee – composed of representatives from member stations, BSC and CWS – was formed. This committee provides guidance and technical advice to member stations, and helps support the future development of the CMMN. In 2007, the CMMN adopted the following Vision and Mission Statements, respectively:

- *To be an essential component of bird monitoring, migration research and conservation planning in the Western Hemisphere.*
- *To contribute to conservation, knowledge, and public understanding of Canadian migrant birds and migration through a collaborative network of independent migration monitoring and research stations.*

The CMMN monitors population trends of over 30 species of boreal/northern migrant landbirds that are identified as a priority for monitoring by PIF (Rich et al 2004), as well as at least 45 other neotropical migrant landbirds. There is also a large amount of interest in monitoring birds associated with the northern Pacific coastal rainforest region (BCR 5), because of the large number of range-limited species and subspecies that occur there.

The CMMN strives to address several recommendations made in the PIF *North American Landbird Conservation Plan* in regard to the development of migration monitoring in North America. These recommendations include: a) the need for continued improvement of migration monitoring to meet information needs of the large group of northern-nesting neotropical migrants that are largely inaccessible for monitoring; b) the need to conduct more evaluation and research on best analysis methods and precision estimation; and c) the institution of annual analysis and reporting (Rich et al. 2004). The CMMN also complements other high-priority actions that relate to migration monitoring, as identified in the *Canadian Landbird Monitoring Strategy* (Downes et al. 2000) and in PIF's *High Priority Needs for Range-wide Monitoring of North American Landbirds* document (Dunn et al. 2005).

### ***CMMN Stations: A Brief Description***

For the most part, stations included in the current suite of CMMN member stations (Table 1) were formed independently at sites where there was a fortuitous combination of large concentrations of migrating landbirds, a suitable site for doing migration counts, and sufficient local interest and capacity to organize and operate a migration station. Consequently, there is large variability in CMMN station organizational structure, history, and resources.

All member stations are operated by a registered charitable organization or operate under a formal agreement with a larger organization. The majority of stations rely heavily on volunteers for data collection. Many stations also have a small paid staff (usually seasonal), who train personnel and oversee operations.

CMMN stations are often located at coastal sites or adjacent to inland lakes or river systems where large numbers of landbirds concentrate during migration. All stations have some form of enduring land-use arrangement that permits ongoing research at the site. Most are situated in protected areas such as National Wildlife Areas and regional or provincial parks, many of which are also designated as Important Bird Areas (IBAs).

Although most stations are accessible by car, some are accessible only by boat or long hike. On-site accommodation is provided at the more remote stations, and most stations welcome volunteers and are open to the visiting public. More information on each station can be found on the CMMN webpage (<http://www.bsc-eoc.org/volunteer/cmmn>); most stations also have their own dedicated websites.

Each station operates under a written protocol approved by the CMMN Steering Committee or its forerunner. These protocols describe a) the main groups of birds being targeted; b) the area being monitored, including station boundaries and location of survey routes, observation points and net or trap sites; c) the daily time period(s) during which the count(s) are conducted; d) the methods used to produce a migration count (e.g. 'daily estimated total'); e) procedures for recording stopover and resident individuals; f) local habitat; and g) how changes in habitat are to be monitored or controlled over time. This last point is of particular importance in order to monitor broad scale population trends of migrants. In cases where habitat succession is a concern, stations are asked to include a management approach that is designed to minimize succession and thereby reduce the likelihood that habitat change will influence population counts over the long term.

To be effective, stations are expected to run at least 5 days per week (including down time due to weather) during a consecutive period of at least one month during spring and/or fall.

Seasonal coverage must adequately sample migration passage of the target species. For each species, guidelines for 'adequate' coverage are currently as follows: (a) a minimum annual coverage of at least 75% of the days is sampled during the target species' spring or fall migration period (the site-specific span of dates within which the middle 95% of individuals occur); (b) an average of at least 10 birds are recorded on an average of at least 5 dates per season; and (c) the majority of individuals detected are migrants and not breeding residents. For more details on field data collection, see Methods.

At stations where bird banding takes place, relevant on-site personnel must hold a valid permit and operate in accordance with the North American Banding Council's Bander's Code of Ethics (North American Banding Council 2001).

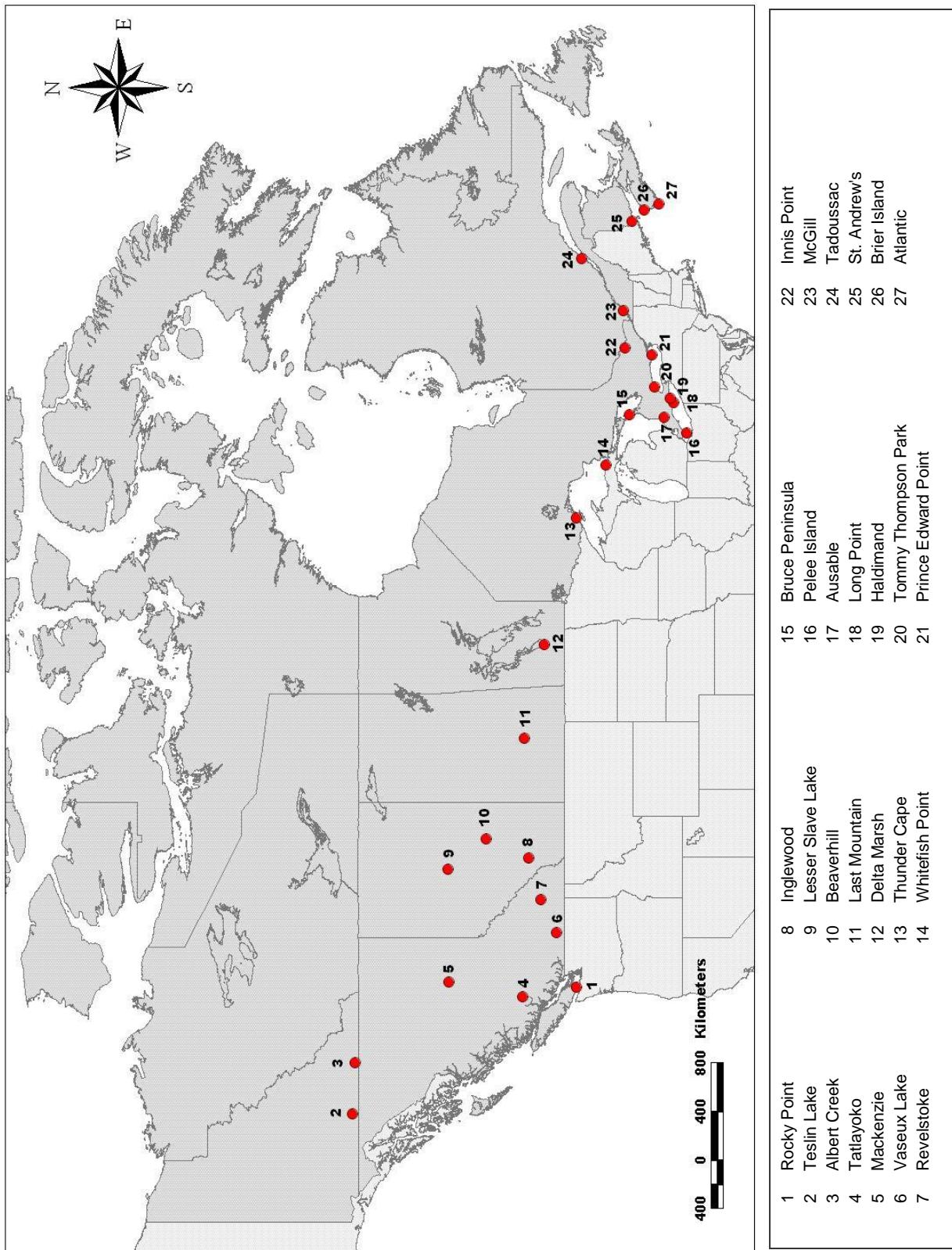


FIGURE 2. LOCATION OF CMMN STATIONS AND AFFILIATES.

**TABLE 1. YEARS OF OPERATION BY SEASON FOR EACH CMMN MEMBER STATION UP TO 2006. TOTAL NUMBER OF YEARS INCLUDED IN SEASONAL ANALYSIS AT EACH STATION IS INCLUDED IN 'YEARS' COLUMN. THE COUNT TYPE ON WHICH ANNUAL INDICES AND POPULATION TRENDS AT EACH STATION IS BASED IS PROVIDED (ET = ESTIMATED TOTALS; BAND = STANDARDIZED DAILY BANDING; VIS = STANDARDIZED DAILY VISUAL MIGRATION). TABLE DOES NOT INCLUDE STATIONS THAT ARE NOT FORMAL CMMN MEMBERS.**

Province	Station Code	Station		Spring			Fall		
				Years of Operation	Years	Years of Operation	Years	Count Type	
British Columbia	RPBO	Rocky Point Bird Observatory		-	-	1998-2006	9	ET	
	MNO	Mackenzie Nature Observatory		-	-	1996-2006	11	ET	
Alberta	BBO	Beaverhill Bird Observatory		1992-2006	15	1992-2006	15	ET	
	IBS	Inglewood Bird Sanctuary		2001-2006	6	1995-2006	12	BAND	
Saskatchewan	LSLBO	Lesser Slave Lake Bird Observatory		1994-2006	12	1994-2006	13	ET	
	LMBO	Last Mountain Bird Observatory		1994-2006	13	1993-2006	14	ET	
Manitoba	DMBO-E	Delta Marsh Bird Observatory – East (Delta Marsh Field Station)		1995-2005	11			ET	
	DMBO-W	Delta Marsh Bird Observatory – West (U of Manitoba field station)		2006	1	1993-2006	14	ET	
Ontario	TCBO	Thunder Cape Bird Observatory		1992-2006	15	1991-2006	16	ET	
	BPBO	Bruce Peninsula Bird Observatory		2000-2006	7	2000-2006	7	ET	
	PBO	Pelee Island Bird Observatory		2003-2006	-	2003-2006	-	ET	
	LPBO	Long Point Bird Observatory		1961-2006	46	1961-2006	46	ET	
	HBO-SELK	Haldimand Bird Observatory – Selkirk		1996-2006	10	1998-2006	8	ET	
	HBO-RUTH	Haldimand Bird Observatory – Ruthven		1998-2006	9	1998-2006	9	ET	
	HBO-ROCK	Haldimand Bird Observatory – Rock Point		2001-2005	5	2000-2006	7	ET	
	TTPBRS	Tommy Thompson Park Bird Research Station		2004-2006	-	2004-2006	-	ET	
	PEPtBO	Prince Edward Point Bird Observatory		1995-2006	9	2001-2006	6	ET	
	IPBO	Innis Point Bird Observatory		1997-2006	10	-	-	ET	
	Quebec	MBO	McGill Bird Observatory	2004-2006	-	2004-2006	-	ET	
		OOT	Observatoire d'oiseaux de Tadoussac	-	-	1996-2006	11	VIS	
Nova Scotia	ABO-BP	Atlantic Bird Observatory – Bon Portage Island		1997-2006	10	1997-2006	10	ET	
	ABO-SI	Atlantic Bird Observatory – Seal Island		1997-2001	5	1997-2006	10	ET	
Michigan	WPBO	Whitefish Point Bird Observatory		-	1993-intermittent	-	-	ET	

## ***Beyond Migration Counts: The Role of the Network in Collaborative Research***

Although a primary focus of the CMMN is to count migrants for long-term population monitoring purposes, the scope of the Network is not restricted to monitoring bird population trends. All stations also collect banding data, which provides information on sex ratios, age structure, body condition (e.g. fat loads), and morphological measurements. In addition to other long-term research and education programs, some stations also participate in the MAPS (Monitoring Avian Productivity and Survival) program during the breeding season, which provides valuable information on survivorship and productivity of resident birds (see <http://www.birdpop.org/maps.htm>).

Collectively, the large databases of information collected by CMMN stations are of great value to researchers studying bird migration and ecology. Indeed, CMMN stations can contribute to many broad-scale research projects which, in the absence of this largely volunteer-based Network, would not be otherwise possible owing to the prohibitive costs associated with obtaining special permits and specialized equipment, the need to acquire and train sufficiently skilled field staff, and the need for centralized coordination. The involvement of individual stations in such collaborative research projects is voluntary; most choose to participate if they have sufficient time and capacity to handle whatever extra work may be involved.

Since 1998, CMMN stations participated in several broad-scale collaborative research studies that increased our understanding of migratory bird stop-over ecology (e.g., Dunn 2001, Dunn 2002), examined the effect of climate change on the seasonal timing of migration and stop-over site quality (Marra et al. 2005), assessed the role of migratory birds in the spread of diseases affecting wildlife and humans (e.g., Ogden et al. 2008a, Ogden et al. 2008b), and contributed to a large-scale DNA ‘bar coding’ project. In 2007, following on the work of Dunn et al. (2006), CMMN stations across Canada collected over 18,000 feathers from 22 species in an extensive collaborative research project that is presently underway on feather isotope signatures, which will further our understanding of the geographic origin of birds passing through each station. Information from this particular project will help interpret population trend results and can more clearly define geographic areas in need of conservation measures.

### ***Scope of this Report***

CMMN stations have been in operation for variable time periods (see Table 1). In this report, we focus our analyses on those stations that have been in operation for at least 10 years (spring and/or fall), up to and including 2006. In addition to reporting on population trends, we also examine the influence of geographic region and migration strategy (temperate vs. neotropical migrants) on annual indices and population trends. Although a large focus of this report is placed on northern breeding species, we also report on migratory species that inhabit other biogeographic regions. We restrict our analyses almost entirely to landbirds, especially passerines and near-passerines.

## Methods

### ***Migration Counts***

Each CMMN station conducts standardized migration monitoring through one or more approved approaches. Approaches include standardized captures using mist nets, ‘census’ counts (which attempt to count all birds in a specified area during a specified time), and visual migration counts. Most CMMN stations employ a combination of approaches to derive a daily ‘estimated total’ (ET) for each species. Inglewood Bird Sanctuary (IBS) and l’Observatoire d’oiseaux de Tadoussac (OOT) are two exceptions; they base daily count estimates on standardized daily banding and standardized daily visual migration, respectively (Table 1).

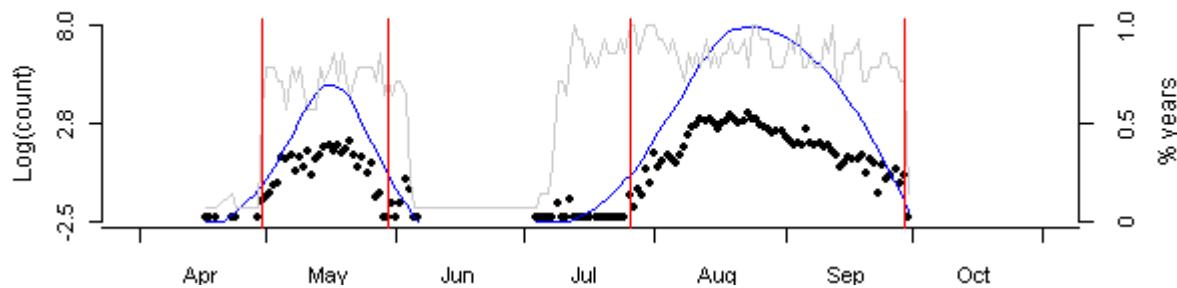
ETs are estimates of the number of each species of migrant present within a designated area, on a given day, during a standard count period [see Hussell and Ralph (2005) for justifications for using ETs and advantages/disadvantages of different count methodologies]. ETs are normally based on three count estimation procedures (banding, census and general observation data), and can be based on a simple sum of the number of birds detected by the different methods or on an estimate of the number of birds present (which allows for extrapolation and/or adjustments made for multiple counting, stop-overs and residents). Though methods for estimating ETs vary among stations, stations maintain constant estimation procedures over time.

### ***Seasonal Migration Windows***

For each station, we first determined spring and fall migration windows for each species by examining plots of the daily mean log(count) across years sampled (see example in Figure 3; plots for additional species and stations are available online at <http://www.birdscanada.org/birdmon/default/popindices.jsp>). We restricted the bounds of migration windows to those days of the year when the station operated during at least 50% of total years in operation. If the number of years that each date was sampled varied widely during spring and/or fall, we excluded those days on the tail-end of the stations’ coverage that were separated by four or more days with below 50% of years covered.

If a clear peak in migration was apparent within the average seasonal coverage at a station, the species was included in analysis. If a peak in migration was not apparent, then this suggested that the migration counts were confounded by the presence of substantial numbers of local breeding (or wintering) residents. These cases can be analyzed at a later date after an appropriate method is established for separating out the station-specific periods during which the number of birds counted can be expected to consist primarily of migrants.

### Delta Marsh Bird Observatory - Northern Waterthrush



**FIGURE 3. EXAMPLE OF SPRING AND FALL MIGRATION WINDOWS USING THE MEAN DAILY LOG(COUNT) OF NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH PASSING THROUGH DELTA MARSH BIRD OBSERVATORY, 1993-2006 (LEFT AXIS). THE BLUE LINE REPRESENTS THE SMOOTHED PROPORTION OF YEARS NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH WAS DETECTED EACH DAY; THE GREY LINE REPRESENTS THE PROPORTION OF YEARS THE STATION OPERATED EACH DAY (STATION COVERAGE; RIGHT AXIS). VERTICAL RED LINES DEPICT THE ASSIGNED MIGRATION WINDOWS FOR SPRING AND FALL.**

### ***Species Selection***

Population trend analyses were restricted to migrants that were detected at a minimum rate of 10 individuals and 5 observation days per migratory season (spring or fall). Even with sufficient sample sizes, some species were excluded from analysis at particular stations because of the presence of local breeding populations or local roosts (especially swallows and blackbirds). Appendix B provides information on which species had sufficient sample sizes and were analyzed at each station.

### ***Species Classifications and Guild Categories***

Although several subspecies are routinely recognized and recorded by banders (e.g., Myrtle and Audubon's forms of the Yellow-rumped Warbler), we conducted all analyses at the species level. Because of the difficulty in distinguishing Alder and Willow flycatchers, however, we combined these two species as "Traill's" Flycatcher.

Species were classified into one of three migration strategies: neotropical migrants, temperate migrants, or 'other' (resident/irruptive/nomadic) based on assignments given by Environment Canada's Project Wildspace (Environment Canada 2008; see Appendix A). Species classified as 'intermediate' migrants by the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act were regarded as 'temperate' migrants. Population trends were generally not produced for species classified as 'Other', but exceptions were made on a station-by-station basis.

We also classified species by broad ecoregional affiliation. Species were classified either as 'boreal' if 50% or more of the estimated Western Hemisphere breeding population is found in northern forest regions, or as 'non-boreal' if less than 50% of the estimated population occurs in

northern forest regions (Blancher and Wells 2005). The latter includes a few species that breed primarily in the tundra (e.g., Snow Bunting).

### ***Annual Abundance Indices***

For each station, annual population indices were estimated for each species in spring and/or fall by fitting a generalized linear model (GLM) with negative binomial distribution. In cases where a negative binomial provided a poor fit (model did not converge), a GLM with Poisson distribution was used. All models were fit using the GLM function in R-project (version 2.5.1; R Development Core Team 2007). Negative binomial models generally provide a good fit for aggregated data (e.g., data with many zero-count days, and other days with large counts). In a small number of cases ( $n=15$ ) neither model provided good fit; these species/stations were not analyzed. All analyses were restricted to data collected within the defined migration season of each species.

All models included effects of date (day of the year, using 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> order polynomial terms) to model the seasonal variation in daily counts. To account for variation in daily effort and species abundance (e.g. to model the influx of new migrants), we also included a binomial variable that classified daily totals of all species as either above or below the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile.

Annual indices were calculated by using parameters from the fitted models to predict the number of individuals observed on the middle date of the season for each year, with a daily total number of birds above the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile.

### ***Population Trends***

Trends in annual abundance indices were calculated by fitting a regression model of the indices by year (described fully in Francis and Hussell 1998).

For stations with less than 10 years of data, we fit simple linear models—regressing the annual index on year. For stations with more than 10 years of data, we included polynomial terms for year, reparameterized as described in Francis and Hussell (1998), to estimate the change between the average indices of the first three years to the average indices of the last three years (e.g., at LPBO: 1967-1969 to 2004-2006). Basing the trend estimate on the mean of the first and last three years reduced the sensitivity of the model to poor estimates of the shape of the curve at the endpoints of the polynomial-fit curve (Francis and Hussell (1998)).

The maximum number of polynomial terms included in the model was determined by dividing the number of years available for analysis by five. Thus, for the calculation of 10-year trends, first and second order polynomial terms were tested. The most parsimonious model was then chosen by minimizing the Akaike's Information Criterion (AIC). For stations that included 3<sup>rd</sup> or higher-order polynomials, we used a step-wise procedure that began with the linear model and added polynomial terms only if the addition of the next polynomial term resulted in a lower AIC score. If it did not, then higher-order polynomial terms were not tested. It should be noted that this approach differs from that of Francis and Hussell (1998), who fit all polynomial terms, and selected the model with the lowest AIC.

In these reparameterized models, the slope of the first-order term gives an estimate of the annual percent change in population size through time (Francis and Hussell 1998). For all species, the change in population index was calculated for both the full time-frame available for each station and over the most recent 10 years with data (1997-2006) to allow among station comparisons in population change. For the purposes of this report, we focus on the 10-year trends.

## ***Regional Comparisons***

### **Spatial Correlations of Annual Indices**

Stations located in close proximity to one another are more likely to be sampling individuals from the same migrant populations than are stations separated by larger geographic distances. We would therefore expect that nearby stations would show positive correlations in their annual indices and that the strength of those correlations would decline as the distance between stations increased. We explored this spatial relationship by calculating the Pearson correlation coefficient (`cor.test`, R Development Core Team 2007) for annual indices of all species-station pairs with sufficient data (1997-2006) and then plotting them against distance between stations.

### **Regional Trends of Neotropical, Temperate and Boreal Breeding Migrants**

We also examined geographic trends in population change by fitting a logistic regression model that assessed whether the probability of a species showing a positive trend was related to migration strategy (i.e., neotropical migrant vs. temperate migrant), ecoregional affiliation (i.e., boreal vs. non-boreal), and longitudinal region. Five longitudinal regions were defined: Western (west of the Rockies); Prairies (Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba); Ontario; and Eastern (Quebec and Atlantic).

## ***Survey Comparison***

In North America, the BBS is usually considered the best and most comprehensive long-term, broad-scale bird monitoring dataset with which to analyze bird population change. However, BBS coverage in the northern forests of Canada is very poor due to a lack of road coverage and the relatively small number of qualified volunteers available to run survey routes.

If migration monitoring is measuring a population signal that is comparable to BBS, then we would expect correlations of indices and trend estimates that are derived from the two surveys to be strongest in southern Canada where BBS coverage is best. We might also expect that correlations against northern BBS data would be equivocal or weak, depending somewhat on the geographic scale of population fluctuations. For example, if population changes occur synchronously over broad geographic areas, we would expect positive correlations. However, if regional populations are asynchronous, we would expect weak or negative correlations for species breeding in northern Canada.

We would also expect that the correlations between migration monitoring and BBS should be strongest in spring, when migrants are believed to follow a more direct north-south migration

axis, than in fall, when migrants are thought to originate from a broader geographic region (Dunn et. al 2006).

We tested the above hypotheses by comparing annual indices and trends from Long Point Bird Observatory (LPBO) and Ontario BBS for the 1968-2006 time period. LPBO was chosen for this comparison because it is the longest-running CMMN station, with over 45 years of daily count data. Our analysis also updates a previous comparison conducted by Francis and Hussell (1998) by including an additional 10 years of data. We restricted our analysis to a subset of 12 'southern' species that breed primarily in BCR 13 (Great Lakes/St. Lawrence; see Figure 4), where BBS coverage is quite good, and a subset of 12 'northern' species that breed primarily in BCRs 8 and 7 (Boreal Softwood Shield and Taiga Shield/Hudson Plains, respectively), where BBS coverage is non-existent or poor. Species' breeding ranges and abundance information were derived from Cadman et al. (2007). All 12 northern species chosen to represent BCRs 8 and 7 were also classified as 'boreal' based on the classification described earlier. Finally, in addition to testing the correlation of population trends between the two survey types, we also examined the correlation of annual indices for each of the 24 species.

We obtained BBS annual indices and trends (1968-2006) for Ontario from the Canadian Wildlife Service's National Wildlife Research Center (Canadian Wildlife Service 2008). BBS annual indices were estimated using a three-factor model which includes terms for route, year and observer. A trend line was then fitted through the annual indices using estimating equations.

We used the cor.test function in R 2.5.1 (R Development Core Team 2007) with the option for Pearson's statistic for all correlations. A maximum type I error rate of 10% was used to judge whether a correlation was significantly different from 0 ( $\alpha = 0.1$ ).

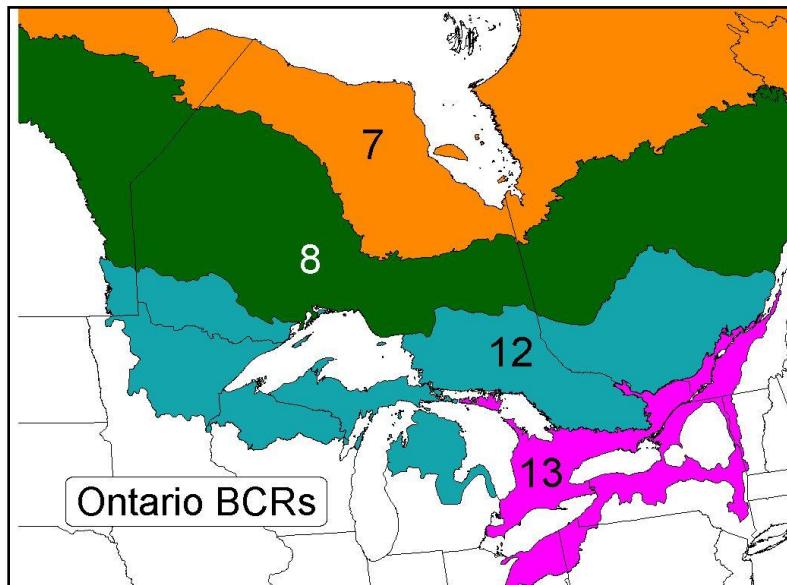


FIGURE 4. LOCATION OF BIRD CONSERVATION REGIONS (BCRS) IN ONTARIO; BCR 7 = TAIGA SHIELD AND HUDSON PLAINS; BCR 8 = BOREAL SOFTWOOD SHIELD; BCR 12 = BOREAL HARDWOOD TRANSITION; BCR 13 = LOWER GREAT LAKES / ST. LAWRENCE PLAIN.

## Results

### Trend Analysis

Eleven stations in spring and 12 stations in fall had sufficient data for the analysis of 10-year population trends for the period 1997-2006 (Table 1). Analyses involved 94 and 124 species in spring and fall, respectively (Appendix B). Population trends for the 10-year period are presented in Table 2 (spring) and Table 3 (fall). Trends for stations with only 9 years of data are presented with 10-year trends in Tables 2 and 3 because an additional year of data was not expected to have a large impact on the observed result. Longer-term trends (>10 years) and trends for stations with less than 9 years of data in one or both seasons can be found online at <http://www.birdscanada.org/birdmon/default/popindices.jsp>, and are not discussed further in this report.

**TABLE 2. POPULATION TRENDS (%/YEAR) OF LANDBIRDS DETECTED IN SPRING AT CMMN STATIONS OVER A 10-YEAR PERIOD (1997-2006).** TRENDS IN BOLD ARE SIGNIFICANT AT  $P < 0.05$ . TRENDS FOR HALDIMAND – RUTHVEN STATION (HALD\_RUTH), SHOWN IN ITALICS, ARE BASED ON NINE YEARS OF DATA (1998-2006). SPECIES ARE LISTED IN TAXONOMIC ORDER. SPECIES DENOTED BY \* INCLUDE PERMANENT RESIDENTS, IRRUPTIVE MIGRANTS, RAPTORS, SHOREBIRDS, SWALLOWS AND BLACKBIRDS; RESULTS FOR THESE SPECIES SHOULD BE INTERPRETED WITH CAUTION. TABLE EXCLUDES SITUATIONS WHERE COUNTS WERE LIKELY CONFOUNDED BY THE PRESENCE OF LOCAL RESIDENTS.

Region	Prairies					Ontario			Eastern		
Species	LSLBO	BBO	LMBO	DMBO	TCBO	LPBO	HALD_SELK	HALD_RUTH	PEPtBO	IPBO	ABO_BP
NOHA*	.	.	.	.	.	0.4	.	.	.	.	.
SSHA*	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-9.5</b>	.	.	.	.	.
AMKE*	.	.	.	.	.	<b>2.8</b>	.	.	.	.	.
BBCU	.	.	.	.	.	<b>6.1</b>	.	<b>19.2</b>	.	.	.
RTHU	.	.	.	2.5	-0.9	3.0	8.7	.	<b>11.8</b>	5.3	.
RHWO	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-3.3</b>	.	.	.	.	.
YBSA	-5.0	.	.	.	.	<b>7.7</b>	-13.8	.	12.8	.	.
NOFL	1.0	.	.	.	.	<b>-1.1</b>	-4.1	.	4.8	.	-18.3
OSFL	.	.	.	.	-18.0	.	.	.	.	.	.
EAWP	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-5.1</b>	.	.	-1.2	.	.
YBFL	.	.	.	.	-10.4	1.2	.	.	15.3	.	.
TRFL	.	<b>-13.0</b>	.	1.3	-5.9	.	.	.	.	.	<b>5.7</b>
LEFL	-7.0	.	.	.	-8.5	0.7	-6.4	.	<b>9.0</b>	0.7	.
EAPH	10.1	.	.	8.9	.	<b>3.3</b>	-6.6	.	.	.	.
GCFL	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-0.3</b>	.	.	.	.	.
EAKI	.	.	.	.	-10.9	.	<b>-20.3</b>	.	.	.	.
BHVI	.	.	.	.	.	<b>6.4</b>	.	.	<b>17.6</b>	.	8.8
WAVI	.	.	.	.	.	<b>9.5</b>	2.5	.	<b>17.0</b>	.	.
PHVI	.	.	.	.	-6.7	<b>3.0</b>	.	.	14.1	.	.
REVI	.	-9.6	.	.	0.1	-1.8	0.5	<b>10.4</b>	<b>12.5</b>	.	-2.5
BLJA*	8.9	.	.	.	<b>18.8</b>	<b>1.7</b>	.	.	12.1	.	.

Region	Prairies				Ontario				Eastern		
Species	LSLBO	BBO	LMBO	DMBO	TCBO	LPBO	HALD_SELK	HALD_RUTH	PEPBBO	IPBO	ABO_BP
TRES*	9.3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BANS*	.	.	.	.	.	.	-22.2	<b>-21.1</b>	.	.	.
BCCH*	.	.	.	.	41.0	.	.	.	.	.	.
RBNU*	-17.8	.	.	.	9.4	.	0.2	.	.	.	.
BRCR	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-14.5</b>	<b>-8.0</b>	.	-4.3	.	.
HOWR	.	.	.	.	.	3.4	.	.	.	.	.
WIWR	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-5.5</b>	1.7	.	-5.0	.	-1.9
MAWR	.	.	.	.	<b>-33.0</b>	.	.	.	.	.	.
GCKI	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-15.9</b>	-6.2	-0.1	-16.3	.	-1.3
RCKI	<b>20.6</b>	-4.6	.	-4.8	-6.2	<b>2.7</b>	0.4	2.4	4.3	8.3	<b>-24.4</b>
BGGN	.	.	.	.	.	-0.8	-5.1	.	.	.	.
EABL	.	.	.	.	4.0	.	.	.	.	.	.
VEER	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-1.1</b>	-1.5	.	<b>14.5</b>	.	.
GCTH	.	.	.	.	<b>-21.6</b>	.	<b>1.9</b>	0.7	.	15.7	.
SWTH	2.6	1.8	-0.6	-3.2	-2.7	-3.5	<b>-9.2</b>	-0.9	10.2	.	-4.1
HETH	<b>23.0</b>	9.9	.	-12.1	.	<b>1.2</b>	-0.7	7.4	-1.8	.	<b>21.6</b>
WOTH	.	.	.	.	.	-0.2	.	.	<b>19.4</b>	.	.
AMRO	.	.	.	.	.	<b>3.1</b>	.	.	.	.	.
GRCA	.	.	.	.	.	<b>9.5</b>	.	.	.	.	-5.1
BRTH	.	.	.	.	.	4.6	1.4	.	.	.	.
AMPI	-2.1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
CEDW*	.	12.3	.	.	.	2.6	.	.	7.7	.	.
TEWA	<b>11.7</b>	11.9	12.9	-1.7	3.1	-4.4	.	.	6.6	.	.
OCWA	-0.2	-5.2	0.4	-8.2	11.3	.	.	.	.	.	.
NAWA	.	.	.	-0.4	8.4	<b>2.7</b>	22.4	21.0	20.5	6.0	5.2
NOPA	.	.	.	.	-3.7	.	.	.	<b>20.9</b>	.	4.0
YWAR	1.4	.	.	.	-5.2	3.6	.	.	.	.	-3.9
CSWA	.	.	.	-10.9	<b>-8.8</b>	<b>3.1</b>	-2.7	13.2	<b>9.7</b>	-0.7	-1.9
MAWA	-10.2	.	.	.	<b>-21.6</b>	<b>-10.3</b>	<b>3.0</b>	5.1	5.9	7.2	5.3
CMWA	.	.	.	2.5	<b>-16.4</b>	<b>-8.9</b>	.	.	.	.	.
BTBW	.	.	.	.	<b>-15.1</b>	<b>3.8</b>	-3.1	.	5.7	.	.
YRWA	1.5	-5.6	3.9	-12.6	-4.4	<b>5.9</b>	-2.7	3.7	<b>14.0</b>	-7.2	-1.0
BTNW	.	.	.	.	-3.0	<b>3.2</b>	1.9	4.6	8.8	-5.0	-6.2
BLBW	.	.	.	.	-4.8	<b>2.4</b>	.	.	<b>12.9</b>	.	.
PAWA	-12.8	.	.	-10.9	4.4	<b>5.8</b>	-3.9	.	<b>17.4</b>	1.6	-3.8
BBWA	.	.	.	.	-8.6	<b>-6.8</b>	.	.	4.9	.	.
BLPW	.	12.3	6.2	<b>-12.9</b>	.	<b>4.6</b>	.	-2.2	0.0	7.0	-3.4
BAWW	2.4	.	.	-12.9	-5.1	<b>3.8</b>	0.1	.	6.5	.	<b>23.6</b>
AMRE	-0.7	<b>9.5</b>	.	<b>-13.2</b>	-9.0	<b>2.6</b>	0.0	-6.6	2.7	-0.4	1.7
OVEN	.	.	.	<b>-18.7</b>	3.7	0.5	2.9	.	6.7	.	.
NOWA	-0.5	.	.	-2.4	-2.4	-1.2	.	.	4.0	.	.
MOWA	-5.1	.	.	-11.6	5.9	1.1	3.2	.	0.8	.	.
COYE	<b>-13.1</b>	<b>-6.4</b>	.	.	-6.3	<b>1.4</b>	.	.	.	.	<b>-6.9</b>
WIWA	<b>-19.0</b>	.	.	<b>-14.7</b>	-6.8	1.1	-3.8	1.9	9.3	9.7	.

Region	Prairies				Ontario				Eastern		
Species	LSLBO	BBO	LMBO	DMBO	TCBO	LPBO	HALD_SELK	HALD_RUTH	PEPBBO	IPBO	ABO_BP
CAWA	0.5	.	.	1.0	-9.3	-2.5	-4.3	-1.6	2.0	.	.
SCTA	.	.	.	.	.	0.1	.	.	<b>15.3</b>	.	.
WETA	<b>-23.5</b>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
EATO	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-3.9</b>	.	.	.	.	.
ATSP	-33.7	.	.	.	.	.	1.4	.	.	.	.
CHSP	.	-7.1	2.0	<b>-11.0</b>	0.3	2.3	<b>19.4</b>	.	.	.	<b>-13.8</b>
CCSP	0.6	.	-1.7	-11.2	9.1	.	.	.	.	.	.
FISP	.	.	.	.	.	0.3	4.0	.	.	.	.
VESP	.	8.8	.	.	.	<b>-3.2</b>	.	.	.	.	.
SAVS	-0.7	.	.	<b>-25.6</b>	.	-2.5	.	.	-7.1	<b>-12.4</b>	.
FOSP	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-4.8</b>	6.5	.	-4.2	.	.
SOSP	.	<b>-8.6</b>	.	.	-1.3	-0.6	.	.	.	.	.
LISP	0.1	-7.4	4.1	<b>-11.6</b>	6.0	0.0	5.6	7.4	6.4	.	.
SWSP	.	.	.	<b>-11.9</b>	-3.9	<b>-1.2</b>	.	.	8.4	.	7.9
WTSP	.	3.6	-6.9	-6.1	-2.8	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>7.2</b>	0.3	9.2	.	6.6
HASP	.	.	.	<b>-16.1</b>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
WCSP	-9.6	.	-9.4	.	17.5	<b>6.1</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>30.4</b>	<b>18.6</b>	.	-5.2
DEJU	-12.3	-12.7	.	-8.6	.	-1.2	1.7	<b>-8.5</b>	3.9	.	6.0
RBGR	<b>7.2</b>	.	.	<b>-26.6</b>	4.1	1.0	5.2	.	<b>19.2</b>	1.2	-16.6
INBU	.	.	.	.	<b>19.7</b>	-0.4	.	.	<b>18.1</b>	.	.
RWBL*	-1.3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
RUBL*	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	27.1	.	.
COGR*	-5.0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BHCO*	10.4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BAOR	.	<b>-5.9</b>	-4.3	.	.	<b>6.9</b>	.	.	<b>13.3</b>	.	-19.3
PUFI*	-1.1	.	.	.	11.2	.	.	.	19.3	.	.
PISI*	0.4	.	.	.	-16.1	.	.	.	23.1	.	.
AMGO*	.	.	-2.8	.	4.5	.	.	.	0.9	.	.
EVGR*	-6.7	.	.	.	<b>-24.9</b>	.	.	.	.	.	.

**TABLE 3. POPULATION TRENDS (%/YEAR) OF LANDBIRDS DETECTED IN FALL AT CMMN STATIONS OVER A 10-YEAR PERIOD (1997-2006). TRENDS IN BOLD ARE SIGNIFICANT AT  $P < 0.05$ . TRENDS FOR ROCKY POINT BIRD OBSERVATORY (RPBO), HALDIMAND BIRD OBSERVATORY – RUTHVEN STATION (HALD\_RUTH), HALDIMAND BIRD OBSERVATORY – SELKIRK STATION (HALD\_SELK), SHOWN IN ITALICS, ARE BASED ON NINE YEARS OF DATA (1998-2006). SPECIES ARE LISTED IN TAXONOMIC ORDER. SPECIES DENOTED BY “\*” INCLUDE PERMANENT RESIDENTS, IRRUPTIVE MIGRANTS, RAPTORS, SHOREBIRDS, SWALLOWS AND BLACKBIRDS; RESULTS FOR THESE SHOULD BE INTERPRETED WITH CAUTION. TABLE EXCLUDES SITUATIONS WHERE COUNTS WERE LIKELY CONFOUNDED BY THE PRESENCE OF LOCAL RESIDENTS.**

Region	Western	Prairies	Ontario	Eastern										
Species	RPBO	MNO	LSLBO	IBS	BBO	LMBO	TCBQ	LPBO	HALD_RUTH	HALD_SELK	OOT	ABO_BP	ABO_SI	
NOHA*	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2.7	.	.	.	.	.
SSHA*	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2.8	.	.	.	.	.
AMKE*	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-7.2	.	.	.	.	.
SOSA*	.	.	.	2.2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BTP1	<b>13.8</b>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-30.2	.	1.2	.	10.3	.
BBCU	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-11.0	.	.	.
YBCU	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
CONI	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-15.5	.	.	.	.	.
RTHU	.	.	.	.	.	.	-6.4	4.4	4.3	.	5.4	.	.	.
RUHU	-7.6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BEKI	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-10.2	.	.
RHWO	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3.3	.	.	.	.	.
YBSA	.	9.6	.	.	.	.	-11.5	0.0	-8.7	.	.	29.6	-5.3	.
TTWO*	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	30.6	.	.
BBWO*	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	17.0	.	.
NOFL	<b>8.0</b>	.	.	.	.	.	8.3	0.8	.	-0.3	-1.1	6.6	-6.6	.
OSFL	<b>9.2</b>	.	.	.	0.1	.	-3.7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
WEWP	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3.3	.	.	.	.	.
EAWP	.	.	.	.	.	.	-12.7	2.6	.	<b>14.3</b>	.	<b>21.0</b>	.	.
YBFL	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5.2	.	<b>8.9</b>	3.0
TRFL	<b>15.6</b>	-4.5	<b>11.1</b>	<b>-7.3</b>	<b>-5.1</b>	-4.3	1.2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
LEFL	.	-8.3	10.0	.	.	.	-3.9	0.1	.	.	.	.	.	.

Region	Western		Prairies		Ontario		Eastern							
	Species	RPB0	MNO	LSLBO	IBS	BBO	DMBO	LPB0	TCBO	HALD_RUTH	HALD_SELK	OOT	ABO_BP	ABO_SI
HAFL	10.4	-1.9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
DUFL	.	-0.7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
EAPH	.	.	16.4	.	.	.	0.2	.	4.7	.	-4.0	.	.	.
GCFL	.	.	.	.	.	.	-46.8	.	-1.8	.	.	.	.	.
WEKI	.	.	.	.	.	.	-0.1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
EAKI	.	.	-3.3	.	.	.	.	-6.6	.	.	-32.0	.	.	.
NSHR*	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3.3	.	.
CAVI	-10.4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BHVI	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4.0	3.4	.	0.0	.	20.2	-1.7
WAVI	4.4	-5.9	.	4.0	.	.	.	4.5	.	-2.8	.	.	.	.
PHVI	.	-3.2	.	.	1.0	2.6	-4.7	3.2	-1.0	13.8	.	.	.	.
REVI	.	.	.	.	.	-1.4	3.4	-0.8	1.8	6.2	.	10.7	4.8	.
STJA*	30.1	.	.	.	.	.	-19.0	28.3	6.5	.	.	.	.	.
BLJA*	.	.	2.9	.	.	.	2.7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
HOLA	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2.3	.	.	.
PUMA*	-13.3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
NRWS*	<b>-14.9</b>	-2.6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BANS*	.	14.1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-22.6	.	.	.
CLSW*	-7.9	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BARS*	6.8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BCCH*	.	.	.	.	.	.	-7.5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
RBNU*	.	.	<b>-15.0</b>	.	-8.2	-12.0	-16.6	1.2	.	25.6	16.7	8.1	.	.
BRCR	.	.	.	.	.	.	1.3	<b>16.4</b>	1.5	-3.6	<b>19.0</b>	.	14.8	-4.4
HOWR	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2.6	.	.	.	.	.	.
WIWR	7.4	.	.	.	.	.	-4.8	-1.1	-9.4	2.6	.	6.7	-10.1	.
MAWR	5.8	.	.	.	.	.	-18.0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
GCKI	0.4	1.9	-5.9	.	.	.	2.3	<b>5.0</b>	-7.6	7.8	.	0.6	-1.9	.
RCKI	13.6	8.1	<b>18.6</b>	6.8	<b>16.6</b>	0.1	-12.3	-2.9	<b>2.9</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>15.8</b>	3.6	-11.8	.
BGGN	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7.1	.	-14.1	.	.	.

Region	Western		Prairies		Ontario		Eastern							
	Species	RPB0	MNO	LSLBO	BBS	LMB0	TCB0	LPB0	HALD_RUTH	HALD_SELK	OOT	ABO_BP	ABO_SI	
VEER	.	.	.	.	.	-1.0	8.4	-1.3	-5.3	-4.4	.	.	.	
GCTH	<b>14.4</b>	-2.5	3.4	3.2	<b>8.9</b>	<b>14.8</b>	-5.9	5.4	<b>-1.2</b>	-1.6	0.8	-0.6	.	
SWTH	<i>13.8</i>	.	-6.2	.	1.3	4.6	-20.1	4.2	0.8	10.1	8.8	5.4	.	
HETH	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	2.4	.	.	.	.	
WOTH	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
AMRO	5.9	8.0	-6.5	1.1	13.4	.	<b>-16.1</b>	.	<b>6.7</b>	.	.	-5.7	.	
VATH*	<b>33.6</b>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
GRCA	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11.3	.	.	-1.1	-8.9	
BRTH	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2.6	.	7.5	.	.	
AMPI	8.3	6.8	7.2	.	.	.	.	-12.3	.	<b>-22.3</b>	0.1	-8.6	-12.0	
CEDW*	.	-3.4	.	-2.1	.	.	.	5.3	-6.8	-10.0	.	.	-2.7	
TEWA	.	7.1	11.9	-0.9	<b>-10.2</b>	7.1	3.5	<b>25.2</b>	<b>-6.7</b>	0.6	8.5	.	.	
OCWA	2.5	5.9	4.5	-0.4	2.1	-3.9	-10.2	<b>26.5</b>	.	.	.	.	.	
NAWA	.	.	.	.	.	.	-6.4	<b>20.9</b>	1.5	-5.4	<b>8.9</b>	.	1.7	
NOPA	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3.3	.	.	.	0.5	.	
YWAR	<b>16.0</b>	.	4.3	0.0	.	.	.	7.9	<b>3.9</b>	.	.	-1.7	.	
CSWA	.	.	.	.	.	-15.4	3.3	0.9	4.2	5.5	.	-11.7	.	
MAWA	.	5.6	<b>-9.3</b>	.	<b>5.5</b>	0.7	<b>-21.1</b>	2.8	1.4	3.7	3.0	.	-7.7	.
CMWA	.	.	.	.	.	.	-7.9	10.4	<b>-6.2</b>	.	.	.	.	
BTBW	.	.	.	.	.	.	-4.6	<b>3.3</b>	.	-1.4	.	4.4	-13.8	
YRWA	6.6	10.8	9.5	-1.2	3.1	-1.4	-8.9	1.6	1.6	-17.9	10.8	-13.9	2.1	5.2
BTYW	<i>11.0</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
BTNW	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-6.5	<b>1.6</b>	3.6	11.6	.	-7.9	0.5
TOWA	<i>9.8</i>	1.8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
BLBW	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-10.9	-4.6	.	.	.	.	
PAWA	.	.	<b>-16.4</b>	.	.	<b>-12.9</b>	-13.4	-0.1	1.5	9.5	-2.6	.	7.9	-1.2
BBWA	.	.	-7.4	-4.7	.	.	-5.7	-7.9	<b>-13.5</b>	-6.0	.	.	.	
BLPW	.	9.9	.	.	-2.6	<b>-8.0</b>	<b>-18.8</b>	<b>18.3</b>	2.2	-15.5	0.6	.	6.4	22.6
BAWW	.	.	.	.	-3.3	<b>-14.9</b>	1.5	2.9	4.2	8.5	.	-4.9	.	

Region	Western		Prairies				Ontario				Eastern			
	Species	RPB0	MNO	LSLBO	IBS	BBO	LMB0	TCB0	DMB0	LPB0	HALD_RUTH	HALD_SELK	ABO_BP	ABO_SI
AMRE	.	.	.	0.0	1.1	0.4	-10.4	2.5	1.5	6.3	3.9	.	-3.2	.
OVEN	.	.	.	4.3	<b>22.5</b>	<b>12.6</b>	-9.3	5.9	-0.4	.	-0.3	.	-5.4	.
NOWA	.	.	-4.8	2.8	6.9	-6.0	<b>-7.6</b>	5.8	<b>-1.4</b>	.	-14.3	.	<b>-5.1</b>	.
MOWA	.	.	<b>-8.5</b>	.	.	-5.3	<b>-16.2</b>	-0.7	-0.7	.	.	.	<b>-20.0</b>	.
MGWA	<b>6.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COYE	.	.	-2.1	3.3	<b>-14.9</b>	<b>-15.0</b>	9.4	<b>4.7</b>	<b>5.8</b>	<b>10.2</b>	.	2.8	.	
WIMA	-2.1	4.3	-10.9	3.3	2.4	<b>-5.9</b>	<b>-19.4</b>	2.0	0.7	<b>6.0</b>	<b>-4.7</b>	.	-8.1	.
CAWA	.	.	-4.1	.	.	1.4	-8.2	-4.8	<b>-5.0</b>	.	3.2	.	.	.
SCTA	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-1.6	.	.	.	.
WETA	<b>12.6</b>	.	1.6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
EATO	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	<b>8.4</b>	.	.	.	.
ATSP	.	3.6	-8.4	.	0.8	-6.9	.	-3.8	.	.	<b>-16.4</b>	.	.	.
CHSP	-8.3	-5.2	2.5	-8.7	.	-1.0	-4.1	7.2	<b>11.1</b>	.	.	2.8	<b>-20.5</b>	.
CCSP	.	.	.	-3.1	.	.	-12.1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
FISP	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	<b>5.3</b>	.	.	.	.	.
VESP	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	<b>3.4</b>	.	.	.	.	.
SAVS	-8.7	-2.9	-2.8	.	.	.	-16.0	<b>14.4</b>	<b>-3.7</b>	.	.	-12.8	-12.2	.
FOSP	<b>14.8</b>	.	.	-0.1	<b>21.0</b>	5.2	<b>-7.1</b>	-7.5	2.8	-0.4	<b>4.4</b>	<b>33.0</b>	<b>28.7</b>	.
SOSP	-2.2	.	.	-0.1	.	.	.	-6.2	3.9	1.8	.	.	.	.
LISP	2.1	-1.4	9.8	5.5	5.2	<b>-7.1</b>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
SWSP	.	.	.	.	.	.	<b>-19.0</b>	0.9	-1.4	.	.	0.0	-20.6	.
WTSP	.	4.4	.	0.7	<b>44.4</b>	-1.5	1.6	-3.2	<b>4.4</b>	-0.9	<b>10.7</b>	.	-7.0	<b>-17.8</b>
HASP	.	.	.	.	.	-3.0	-11.6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
WCSP	.	5.5	-4.9	0.3	.	-5.4	.	3.0	<b>7.2</b>	-5.1	-4.0	3.6	-14.4	<b>-30.6</b>
GCSP	<b>13.8</b>	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	-3.7	-19.4	.
DEJU	1.6	.	20.7	7.3	8.3	3.5	4.6	-10.6	<b>1.0</b>	-11.0	<b>5.4</b>	2.5	-8.3	-10.5
LALO	.	.	17.8	.	.	.	.	.	-1.8	.	.	.	.	.
SNBU	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	8.4	.	.	.	.	.
RBGR	.	.	11.2	.	.	.	.	-12.0	-12.1	<b>-2.7</b>	.	.	.	.

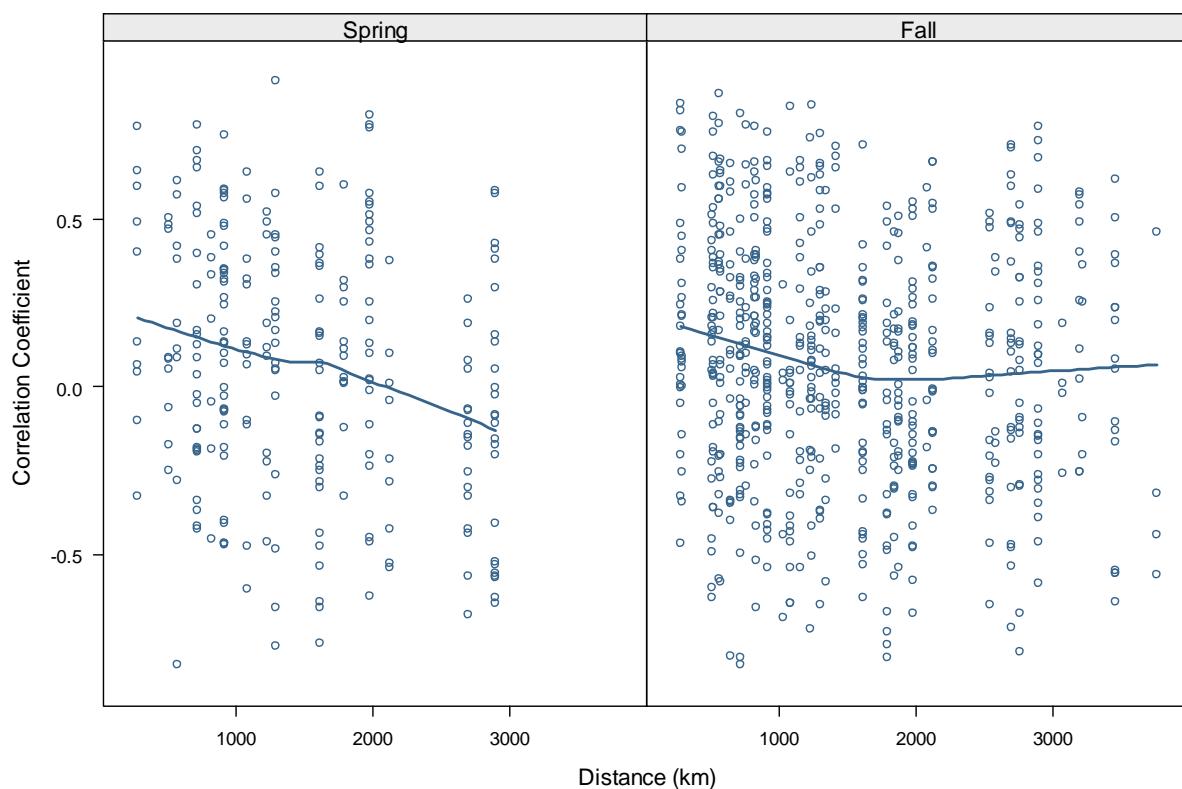
Region	Western		Prairies		Ontario		Eastern	
	RPBO	MNO	LSLBO	BBS	BBO	DMBO	TBO	LPBO
BHGR	23.1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
INBU	.	.	.	.	.	-1.2	.	.
RWBL*	7.7	.	-30.7	.	.	.	8.1	.
RUBL*	.	.	.	.	5.5	.	-4.1	-7.4
COGR*	.	.	-6.5	.	10.4	.	-12.4	1.0
BHCO*	-2.9	.	.	-10.0	2.7	-5.8	.	.
BAOR	.	.	.	.	.	7.0	.	.
PIGR*	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15.1
PUFI*	.	6.3	.	.	.	6.5	.	-10.3
RECR*	.	.	.	.	.	.	-2.7	1.0
WWCR*	.	.	.	.	.	-35.9	.	2.9
CORE*	.	.	.	.	.	.	8.6	.
PISI*	-22.1	.	-7.2	.	-11.3	3.1	.	5.3
AMGO*	.	.	.	.	.	0.7	.	-4.2
EVGR*	1.9	.	-12.1	.	.	-22.5	.	0.6

## **Regional Comparisons**

### **Annual Index Correlations**

In spring, the between-station correlation of species-specific annual population indices was positively correlated at short distances, and declined to no correlation at approximately 2000 km. At inter-station distances greater than 2000 km, we observed a negative correlation (Figure 5).

A positive correlation of annual indices was also observed at shorter distances in fall, and declined to almost zero at approximately 1700 km (Figure 5). Beyond that distance, the correlation among stations remained relatively constant, but did show a slight positive increase.



**FIGURE 5. CORRELATION OF SPECIES ANNUAL INDICES (1997-2006) BETWEEN STATION PAIRS, PLOTTED AGAINST DISTANCE BETWEEN STATIONS (KM) FOR SPRING AND FALL. EACH VERTICAL LINE OF CIRCLES REPRESENTS THE ANNUAL INDEX CORRELATION OF ALL SPECIES DETECTED AT BOTH STATIONS IN A STATION-STATION COMPARISON. BLUE LINES REPRESENT THE SMOOTHED RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN ANNUAL INDEX CORRELATIONS AND DISTANCE BETWEEN STATIONS.**

## **Regional Trends of Neotropical, Temperate and Boreal Breeding Migrants**

For spring migration, data from stations in the Prairie, Ontario and Eastern regions were available for inclusion in the analysis (Tables 4 and 5). A significant effect of region was observed on the 10-year trends ( $F = 15.8$ ,  $p(>F) = <0.0001$ ), with more positive trends occurring on average in Ontario, and more negative trends in the Prairie and Eastern regions (Table 4).

In Ontario, spring trends were predominantly positive for all stations except TCBO, where there were more declining than increasing trends. In the Prairie region, the predominance of declining population trends in spring was driven primarily by the DMBO station, where 28% of migrants declined over the past 10 years (13% registered statistically significant declines). An interaction between region and migration strategy was not statistically significant ( $F = 0.20, p = 0.82$ ; Table 5), nor was the effect of boreal vs non-boreal ecoregional affiliation ( $F = 3.06, p = 0.08$ ; Table 5).

In fall, stations in all four regions were available for inclusion in the analysis (Tables 4 and 5). Results support an effect of region ( $F = 6.18, p = < 0.0001$ ), with predominantly positive trends in the Western and Ontario regions, predominantly negative trends in the Prairie region, and a comparable proportion of species with increasing and declining population trends in the Eastern region (Table 4). An interaction between region and migration strategy on population trends was not statistically significant in fall ( $F = 0.97, p = 0.41$ ), nor was there an effect of boreal vs non-boreal ecoregional affiliation ( $F = 0.68, p = 0.41$ ).

### ***Comparison of Trend Results between BBS and Migration Monitoring***

#### **Annual Indices**

The annual indices derived from LPBO migration data for the period 1968-2006 were more strongly correlated with BBS indices for the 12 southern species examined than for a comparable group of 12 northern species (Table 6; Figures 6 and 7). In spring, annual indices for 6 of the 12 southern species were significantly positively correlated, compared to 4 of 12 northern species. In fall, 8 of 12 southern species showed significant positive correlations compared to only 2 of 12 northern species.

Taking spring and fall together, significant negative correlations between LPBO and BBS annual indices were observed more frequently with the northern species group (6/24) than with the southern species (1/24; Table 6).

#### **Population Trends**

As was found in the comparison of annual indices, population trend estimates derived from LPBO and BBS were also more highly correlated for southern-breeding than northern-breeding birds—both in spring (northern: -0.06,  $p = 0.85$ , southern: 0.81,  $p = <0.01$ ) and fall (northern: -0.26,  $p = 0.41$ ; southern: 0.63,  $p = 0.03$ ; Figure 8).

**TABLE 4. TOTAL NUMBER/PERCENT OF SPECIES WITH POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE SPRING AND FALL POPULATION TRENDS (1997-2006) AT EACH CMMN STATION. NUMBER/PERCENT OF SIGNIFICANT TRENDS ( $P < 0.05$ ) IS SHOWN IN PARENTHESES.**

Region	Station	Spring		Fall	
		Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative
Western	MNO			16 (0)	10 (0)
	<b>Western Total</b>			16 (0)	10 (0)
	<b>Western Percent (%)</b>			62 (0)	38 (0)
Prairies	LSLBO	17 (4)	21 (3)	17 (1)	23 (5)
	IBS			17 (2)	8 (0)
	BBO	8 (1)	11 (4)	18 (6)	6 (3)
	LMBO	6 (0)	6 (0)	10 (2)	19 (6)
	DMBO	5 (0)	28 (13)	5 (0)	39 (12)
	<b>Prairies Total</b>	36 (5)	66 (20)	67 (11)	95 (26)
	<b>Prairies Percent (%)</b>	35 (5)	65 (20)	41 (7)	59 (16)
Ontario	TCBO	19 (2)	30 (5)	42 (8)	25 (4)
	LPBO	43 (28)	27 (14)	47 (27)	23 (12)
	HALD_SELK	24 (3)	18 (3)		
	PEPtBO	48 (18)	7 (0)		
	IPBO	9 (0)	5 (0)		
	<b>Ontario Total</b>	143 (51)	87 (22)	89 (35)	48 (16)
	<b>Ontario Percent (%)</b>	62 (22)	38 (10)	65 (26)	35 (12)
Eastern	OOT			13 (2)	7 (0)
	ABO_BP	10 (2)	20 (4)	21 (3)	20 (3)
	ABO_SI			6 (0)	19 (3)
	<b>Eastern Total</b>	10 (2)	20 (4)	40 (5)	46 (6)
	<b>Eastern Percent (%)</b>	33 (7)	67 (13)	47 (6)	53 (7)
	<b>Overall Total</b>	189 (58)	173 (46)	212 (51)	199 (48)
	<b>Overall Percent (%)</b>	52 (16)	48 (13)	52 (12)	48 (12)

**TABLE 5. TOTAL NUMBER OF SPECIES WITH POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE SPRING AND FALL POPULATION TRENDS (1997-2006) AT EACH CMMN STATION, SUMMARIZED BY MIGRATION STRATEGY AND AFFILIATION WITH THE BOREAL/NORTHERN FOREST. NUMBER OF SIGNIFICANT TRENDS IS SHOWN IN PARENTHESES.**

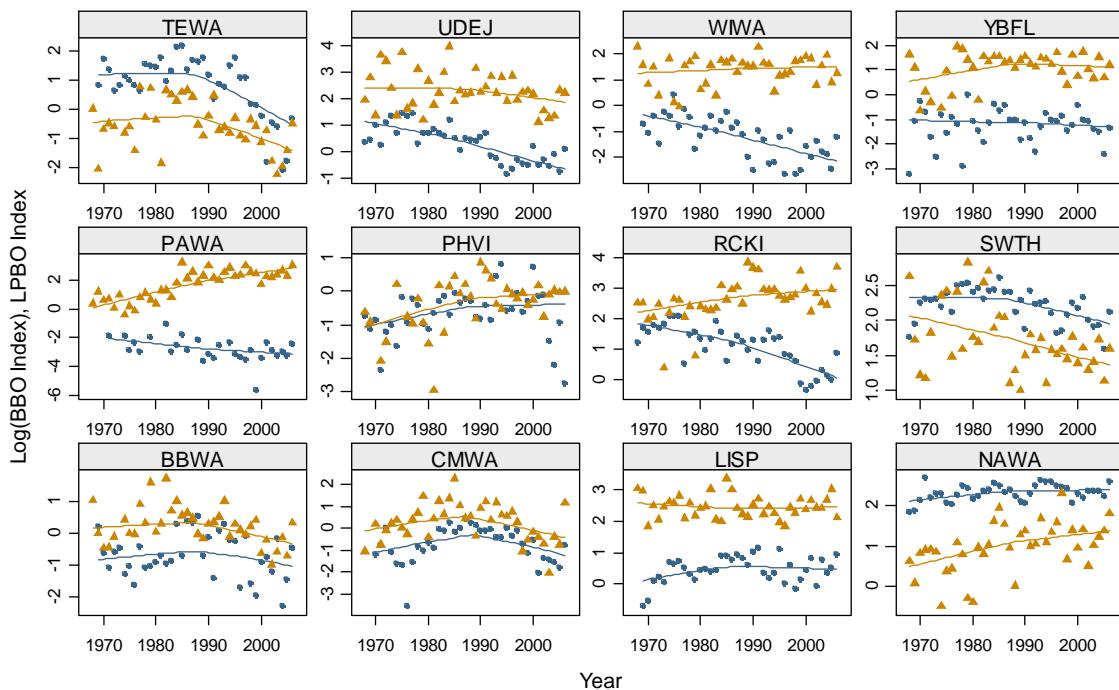
Season	Region	Station	Neotropical		Temperate		Boreal		Non-boreal	
			Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative
<b>Spring</b>	Prairies	LSLBO	8 (2)	8 (3)	9 (2)	12 (0)	9 (3)	10 (1)	8 (1)	11 (2)
		BBO	4 (1)	5 (3)	4 (0)	6 (1)	5 (0)	6 (1)	3 (1)	5 (3)
		LMBO	3 (0)	3 (0)	3 (0)	3 (0)	5 (0)	4 (0)	1 (0)	2 (0)
		DMBO	4 (0)	16 (8)	1 (0)	12 (5)	3 (0)	20 (6)	2 (0)	8 (7)
	<b>Prairies Total</b>		19 (3)	32 (14)	17 (2)	33 (6)	22 (3)	40 (8)	14 (2)	26 (12)
	<b>Prairies Percent (%)</b>		37 (6)	63 (27)	34 (4)	66 (12)	35 (5)	65 (13)	35 (5)	65 (3)
	Ontario	TCBO	9 (1)	23 (4)	8 (1)	7 (1)	8 (0)	19 (2)	11 (2)	11 (3)
		LPBO	26 (16)	13 (3)	17 (12)	14 (11)	20 (15)	10 (5)	23 (13)	17 (9)
		HALD_SELK	13 (0)	10 (2)	10 (3)	8 (1)	12 (2)	8 (1)	12 (1)	10 (2)
		PEPtBO	32 (14)	2 (0)	16 (4)	5 (0)	27 (6)	3 (0)	21 (12)	4 (0)
		IPBO	7 (0)	3 (0)	2 (0)	2 (0)	7 (0)	2 (0)	2 (0)	3 (0)
	<b>Ontario Total</b>		87 (31)	51 (9)	53 (20)	36 (13)	74 (23)	42 (8)	69 (28)	45 (14)
	<b>Ontario Percent (%)</b>		63 (22)	37 (7)	60 (22)	40 (15)	64 (20)	36 (7)	61 (25)	39 (12)
	Eastern	ABO_BP	5 (1)	11 (1)	5 (1)	9 (3)	8 (2)	8 (1)	2 (0)	12 (3)
		<b>Eastern Total</b>		5 (1)	11 (1)	5 (1)	9 (3)	8 (2)	8 (1)	2 (0)
		<b>Eastern Percent (%)</b>		31 (6)	69 (6)	36 (7)	64 (21)	50 (13)	50 (6)	14 (0)
	Overall Total		111 (35)	94 (24)	75 (23)	78 (22)	104 (28)	90 (17)	85 (30)	83 (29)
	Overall Percent (%)		54 (17)	46 (12)	49 (15)	51 (14)	54 (14)	46 (9)	51 (18)	49 (17)
<b>Fall</b>	Western	MNO	7 (0)	7 (0)	9 (0)	3 (0)	9 (0)	3 (0)	7 (0)	7 (0)
		<b>Western Total</b>		7 (0)	7 (0)	9 (0)	3 (0)	9 (0)	3 (0)	7 (0)
		<b>Western Percent (%)</b>		50 (0)	50 (0)	75 (0)	25 (0)	75 (0)	25 (0)	50 (0)
	Prairies	LSLBO	6 (0)	10 (3)	11 (1)	12 (1)	8 (1)	11 (4)	9 (0)	12 (1)
		IBS	12 (2)	4 (0)	5 (0)	4 (0)	11 (2)	5 (0)	6 (0)	3 (0)
		BBO	9 (3)	4 (3)	9 (3)	1 (0)	11 (4)	3 (2)	7 (2)	3 (1)
		LMBO	7 (2)	9 (5)	3 (0)	9 (1)	7 (1)	12 (5)	3 (1)	7 (1)
		DMBO	1 (0)	25 (9)	4 (0)	13 (3)	3 (0)	23 (7)	2 (0)	16 (5)
	<b>Prairies Total</b>		35 (7)	52 (20)	32 (4)	39 (5)	40 (8)	54 (18)	27 (3)	41 (8)
	<b>Prairies Percent (%)</b>		40 (8)	60 (23)	45 (6)	55 (7)	43 (9)	57 (19)	40 (4)	60 (12)
	Ontario	TCBO	21 (3)	13 (2)	20 (5)	10 (1)	20 (4)	14 (2)	22 (4)	11 (2)
		LPBO	22 (13)	17 (9)	25 (14)	6 (3)	18 (9)	12 (6)	29 (18)	11 (6)
		<b>Ontario Total</b>		43 (16)	30 (11)	45 (19)	16 (4)	38 (13)	26 (8)	51 (22)
		<b>Ontario Percent (%)</b>		59 (22)	41 (15)	74 (31)	26 (7)	59 (20)	41 (13)	70 (30)
	Eastern	OOT			8 (0)	6 (0)	5 (2)	3 (0)	8 (0)	4 (0)
		ABO_BP	10 (2)	13 (3)	11 (1)	7 (0)	11 (3)	12 (2)	10 (0)	8 (1)
		ABO_SI	3 (0)	3 (0)	3 (0)	16 (3)	3 (0)	9 (2)	3 (0)	10 (1)
		<b>Eastern Total</b>		13 (2)	16 (3)	22 (1)	29 (3)	19 (5)	24 (4)	21 (0)
		<b>Eastern Percent (%)</b>		45 (7)	55 (10)	43 (2)	57 (6)	44 (12)	56 (9)	49 (0)
	Overall Total		98 (25)	105 (34)	108 (24)	87 (12)	106 (26)	107 (30)	106 (25)	92 (18)
	Overall Percent (%)		48 (12)	52 (17)	55 (12)	45 (6)	50 (12)	50 (14)	54 (13)	46 (9)

**TABLE 6. CORRELATION OF SPRING AND FALL ANNUAL INDICES FROM LONG POINT BIRD OBSERVATORY (LPBO) WITH ANNUAL INDICES FROM THE BREEDING BIRD SURVEY (BBS – ONTARIO) FOR THE 1968–2006 PERIOD FOR NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN SPECIES. SIGNIFICANT CORRELATIONS ( $P < 0.05$ ) ARE IN BOLD. BIRD CONSERVATION REGIONS (BCRS) 8 AND 7 REFER TO THE NORTHERN SHIELD AND HUDSON BAY LOWLANDS, RESPECTIVELY.**

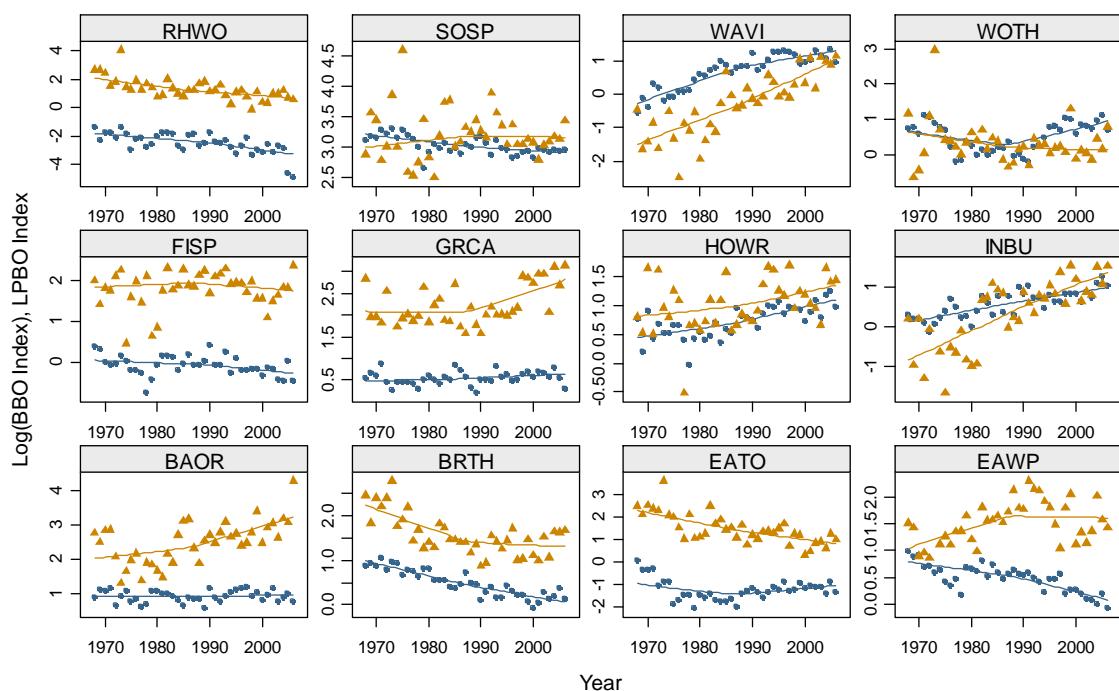
Guild	Species Code	Species Name	% of Ontario population in BCRs 8 and 7			Correlation	$p(t)$	Correlation	$p(t)$
			Spring	Fall	Correlation				
Northern	BBWA	Bay-breasted Warbler	99	0.19	0.27	0.10	0.56		
	CNW A	Cape May Warbler	97	<b>0.46</b>	< <b>0.01</b>	-0.03	0.86		
	LISP	Lincoln's Sparrow	100	0.12	0.47	0.02	0.89		
	NAWA	Nashville Warbler	92	<b>0.39</b>	<b>0.01</b>	0.21	0.20		
	PAWA	Palm Warbler	100	-0.33	<b>0.08</b>	-0.38	0.04		
	PHVI	Philadelphia Vireo	98	0.14	0.42	-0.09	0.61		
	RCKI	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	100	-0.32	<b>0.05</b>	-0.31	<b>0.06</b>		
	SWTH	Swainson's Thrush	97	<b>0.32</b>	<b>0.05</b>	0.37	<b>0.02</b>		
	TEWA	Tennessee Warbler	100	<b>0.46</b>	< <b>0.01</b>	<b>0.28</b>	<b>0.09</b>		
	DEJU	Dark-eyed Junco	99	0.21	0.20	-0.18	0.27		
	WIWA	Wilson's Warbler	99	-0.13	0.45	-0.35	<b>0.03</b>		
	YBFL	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	99	-0.18	0.27	-0.29	<b>0.07</b>		
Southern	BAOR	Baltimore Oriole	2	0.05	0.77	-0.03	0.87		
	BRTH	Brown Thrasher	5	<b>0.70</b>	< <b>0.01</b>	<b>0.29</b>	<b>0.08</b>		
	EATO	Eastern Towhee	4	<b>0.38</b>	<b>0.02</b>	<b>0.34</b>	<b>0.04</b>		
	EAWP	Eastern Wood-Pewee	16	-0.13	0.44	-0.34	<b>0.03</b>		
	FISP	Field Sparrow	3	0.10	0.56	-0.07	0.68		
	GRCA	Gray Catbird	5	0.18	0.27	<b>0.32</b>	<b>0.05</b>		
	HOWR	House Wren	6	<b>0.57</b>	< <b>0.01</b>	<b>0.47</b>	< <b>0.01</b>		
	INBU	Indigo Bunting	7	<b>0.64</b>	< <b>0.01</b>	<b>0.47</b>	< <b>0.01</b>		
	RHWO	Red-headed Woodpecker	<1	<b>0.54</b>	< <b>0.01</b>	0.34	<b>0.03</b>		
	SOSP	Song Sparrow	28	0.10	0.56	0.25	0.14		
	WAVI	Warbling Vireo	3	<b>0.68</b>	< <b>0.01</b>	<b>0.84</b>	< <b>0.01</b>		
	WOTH	Wood Thrush	4	0.25	0.13	<b>0.28</b>	<b>0.09</b>		

**FIGURE 6. LOG(BBS ANNUAL INDEX; BLUE CIRCLES) AND SPRING LPBO ANNUAL INDEX (ORANGE TRIANGLES) PLOTTED AGAINST YEAR FOR NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN BREEDING BIRDS. TREND LINES ARE SMOOTHED LINES REPRESENTING THE RELATIONSHIP AMONG ANNUAL INDICES, AND ARE NOT NECESSARILY REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CALCULATED POPULATION TRENDS. SPECIES CODES ARE PROVIDED IN APPENDIX A.**

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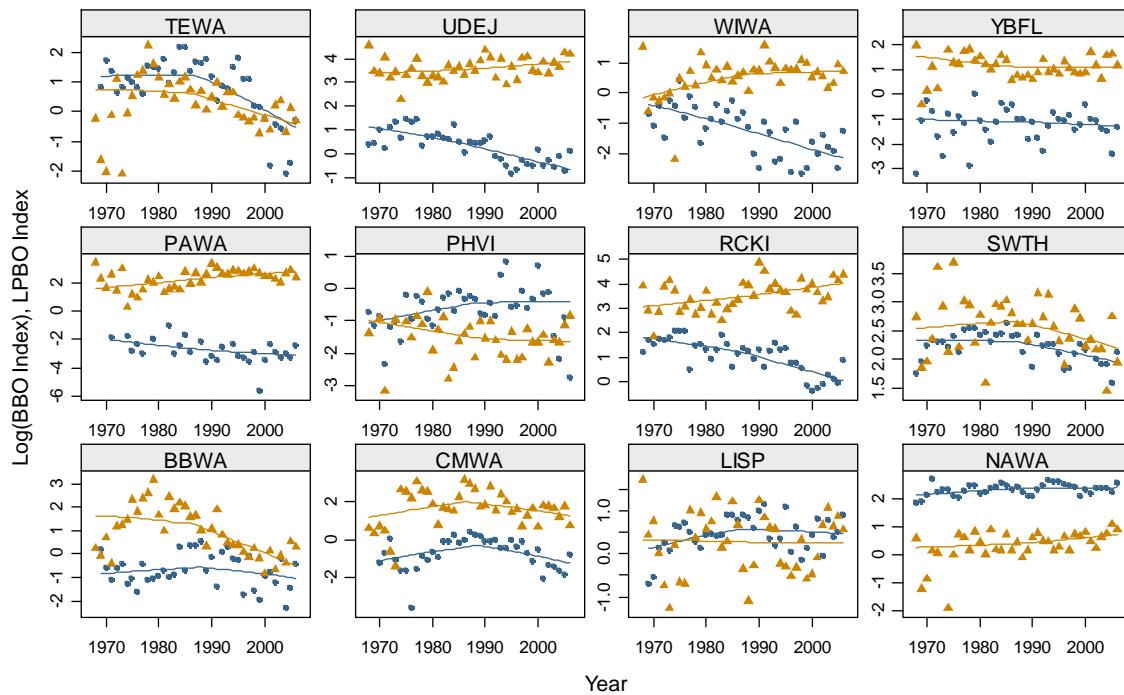


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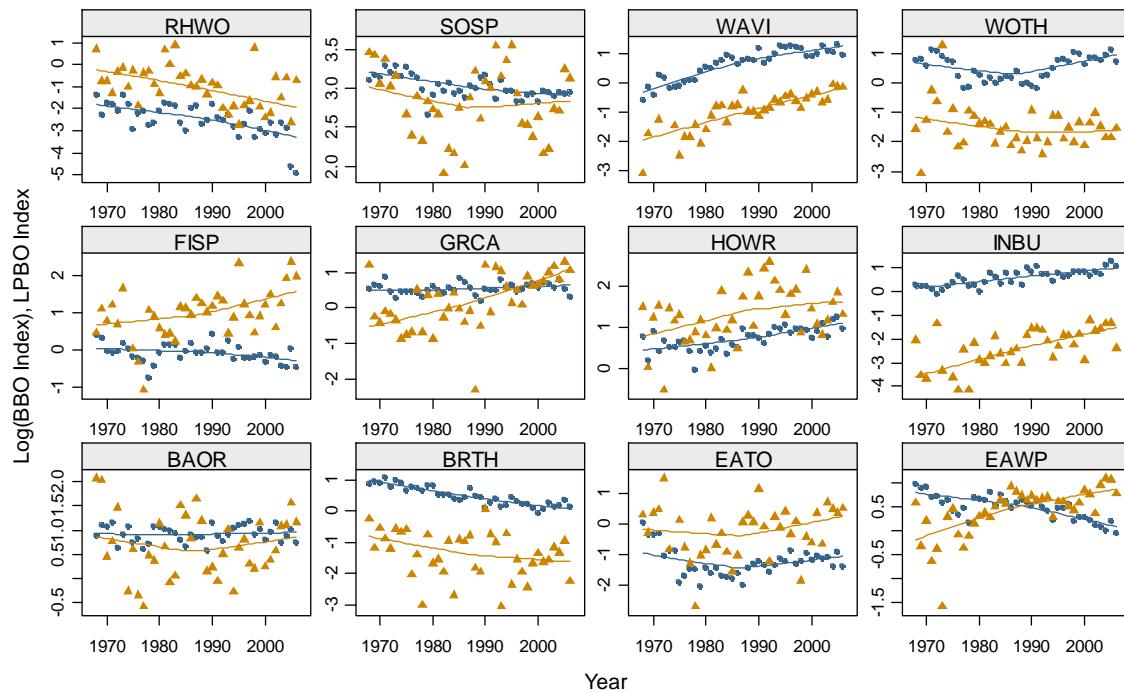


**FIGURE 7. LOG(BBS ANNUAL INDEX; BLUE CIRCLES) AND FALL LPBO ANNUAL INDEX (ORANGE TRIANGLES) PLOTTED AGAINST YEAR FOR NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN BREEDING BIRDS. TREND LINES ARE SMOOTHED LINES REPRESENTING THE RELATIONSHIP AMONG ANNUAL INDICES, AND ARE NOT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CALCULATED POPULATION TRENDS. SPECIES CODES ARE PROVIDED IN APPENDIX A.**

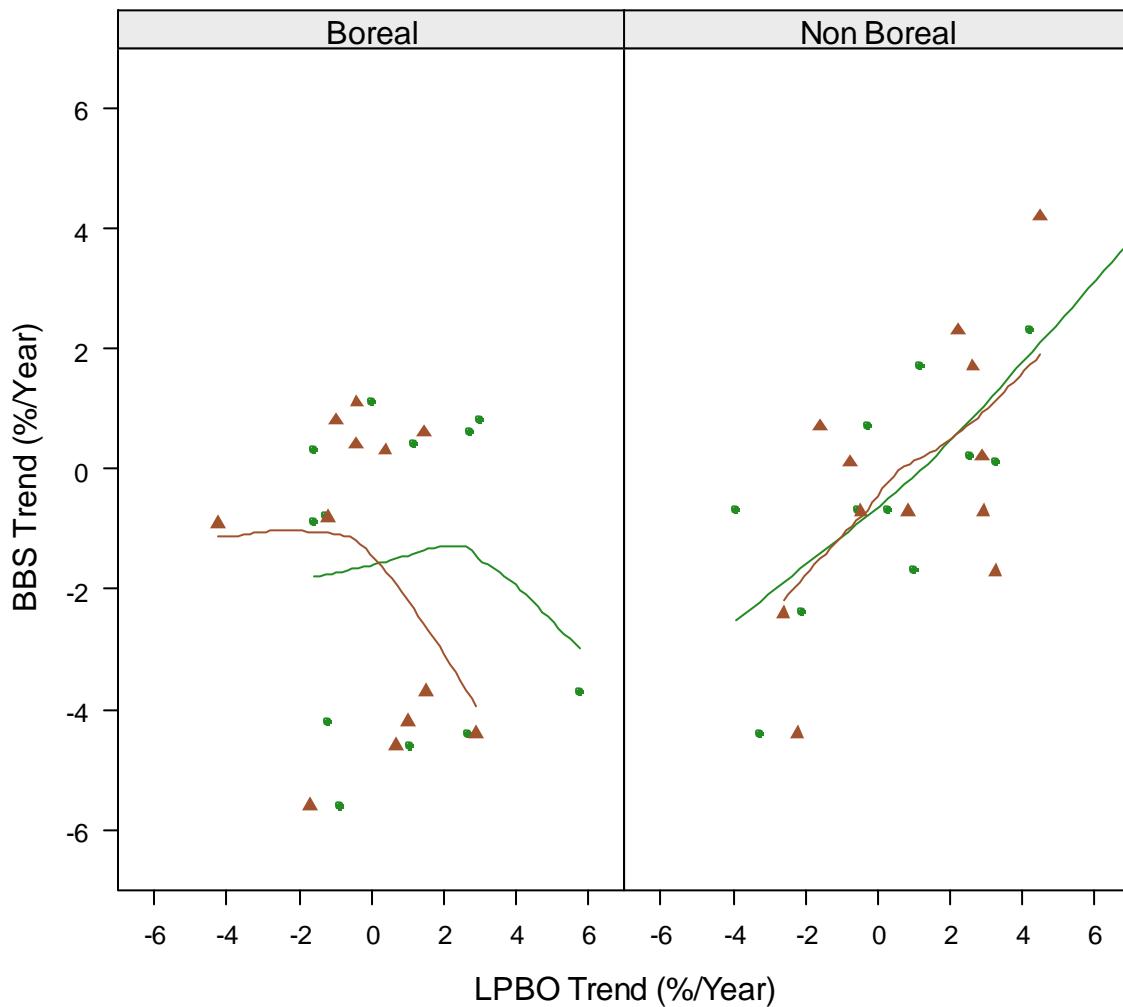
### Fall - Northern



### Fall - Southern



**FIGURE 8. CORRELATION OF LPBO AND BBS POPULATION TRENDS FOR 12 BOREAL AND 12 NON-BOREAL BREEDING BIRDS IN SPRING (GREEN CIRCLES) AND FALL (RED TRIANGLES). A SIGNIFICANT CORRELATION WAS OBSERVED FOR NON-BOREAL BREEDING BIRDS IN BOTH SPRING ( $R^2 = 0.79, P = 0.002$ ) AND FALL ( $R^2 = 0.61, P = 0.04$ ), BUT NOT FOR BOREAL BREEDING BIRDS IN SPRING ( $R^2 = 0.02, P = 0.95$ ) OR FALL ( $R^2 = -0.34, P = 0.28$ ), WHERE BBS COVERAGE IS WEAKEST. LINES ARE LOCALLY WEIGHTED REGRESSIONS.**



## **Discussion**

### ***Interpretation of Annual Indices and Population Trends***

The analytical methods used to generate annual indices and population trends were developed to measure population change of migrant passerines which, ideally, do not stop-over at a count site for more than 24 hours. The appropriateness of these techniques for other species groups (waterbirds, raptors, shorebirds) and for resident and irruptive species has not yet been examined. Although some resident and irruptive species were included in our analysis on a station by station basis (e.g. Common Redpoll, Pine Grosbeak, Pine Siskin), trends for such species should be interpreted with caution.

### ***Regional Spatial Trends***

#### **Annual Index Correlations**

The positive correlation among stations at short distances, followed by a decline to almost no correlation at approximately 2000 km in both spring and fall supported our prediction that stations in proximity should show more similar estimates of population change than stations farther apart because they are more likely to be sampling the same source population of migrants. Beyond 2000 km, stations tended to show no correlation in fall, and even a tendency towards negative correlation in spring. The negative correlation in spring suggests that populations of species being sampled by widely-separated stations in eastern and western Canada are not changing in synchronous ways, which is not a surprising result. At the macro (e.g. national) level, populations of widespread species would not necessarily be expected to change in the same direction. As evidenced by BBS trend maps, there are nearly always regional differences in the geographic patterns of population trends at continental scales (see BBS trend maps at [http://www.mbr-pwrc.usgs.gov/bbs/htm03/trend2003\\_v2.html](http://www.mbr-pwrc.usgs.gov/bbs/htm03/trend2003_v2.html)).

Even migration monitoring stations that are in relatively close proximity to one another do not necessarily sample the same segment of the breeding bird population. Geographic features such as mountains, ridges, rivers, lakes, and expanses of treeless areas also shape migration pathways, even for stations that may be geographically close together.

Regional patterns of population trend estimates are also influenced by local weather patterns which also shape migration patterns. At any given site, local weather conditions may favor or hinder migration and/or stop-over probability in certain years more than others.

Despite all of the above, we still observed regional similarities in trend estimates, which suggest that nearby stations are indeed effectively monitoring either the same or overlapping breeding bird populations of many species.

#### **Regional Trends of Neotropical, Temperate and Boreal Breeding Migrants**

Our comparison of population trends for migration and ecoregion guilds also supported a spatial effect on population change. Population trends within a geographic region were more similar than trends between regions in both spring and fall. Even so, variation in the proportion of increasing and declining population trends between stations within a given region was also apparent, regardless of guild.

Over the 10-year period, we generally found that Prairie and Eastern regions showed predominantly declining population trends for all guilds examined in both spring and fall, whereas Ontario and Western regions showed predominantly positive trends. Taking all regions of Canada together, however, about half of the species in each guild showed increases while the other half declined.

For this part of the analysis, we simply used political boundaries to define geographic regions, but patterns of bird occurrence seldom coincide with such boundaries. Species-specific spatial relationships are more readily apparent when population trends are mapped across the network of stations. For example, population trends of Black-and-white Warbler and Magnolia Warbler declined in spring at both DMBO (Prairies Region) and TCBO (Ontario Region), but increased at LPBO (another Ontario Region station; see Figure 9a,b). The more similar patterns seen at DMBO and TCBO suggest that there is more overlap in the 'catchment areas' of species passing through these two sites than through TCBO and LPBO. This is to be expected, given that TCBO is geographically closer to DMBO than LPBO. Similarly, the fall population trend for Ovenbird was negative at DMBO, but positive at other stations in the Prairies region (LMBO and BBO; Figure 9c). The fall trend for Blackpoll Warbler was negative in the Prairies (DMBO and LMBO), but positive in Ontario (TCBO and LPBO; Figure 9d). Other examples are posted online (see <http://www.birdscanada.org/birdmon/default/popindices.jsp>).

Identifying the geographic sources (catchment areas) of species that are encountered at migration monitoring stations is an important priority for the CMMN. An upcoming species-by-species synthesis of feather isotope and band recovery data will greatly strengthen our understanding and interpretation of broad regional bird population trends.

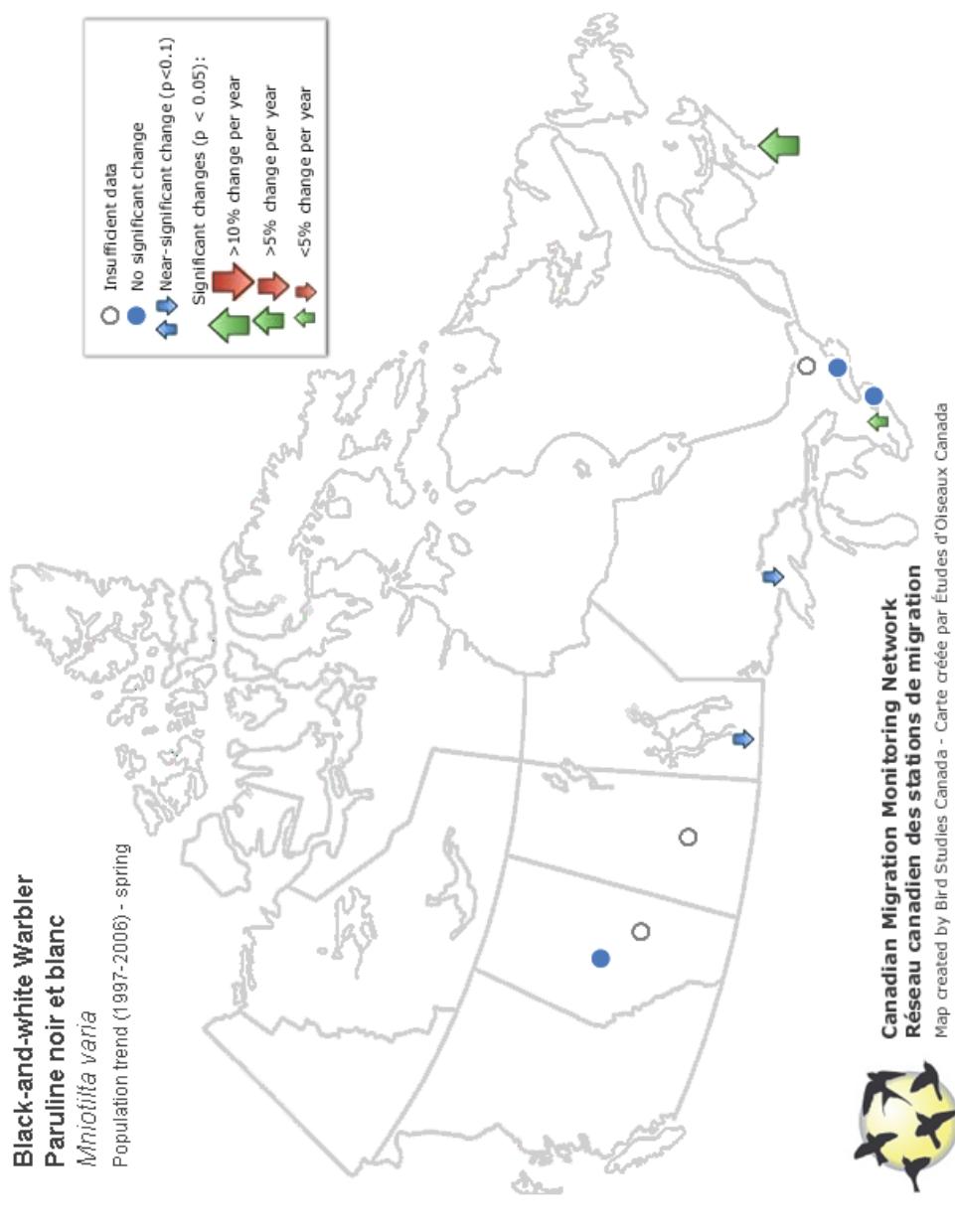
### ***Comparison between results from Migration Monitoring and BBS***

Comparative analyses of both annual population indices and long-term trends from migration monitoring at LPBO and from BBS (Ontario) further strengthen Francis and Hussell's (1998) earlier study, which showed that migration monitoring is indeed measuring a population signal similar to BBS for many of the southern Ontario breeding species examined. Our analysis also demonstrated that this relationship breaks down for northern-breeding birds where BBS coverage is poor. Similar analyses should be undertaken at other CMMN stations.

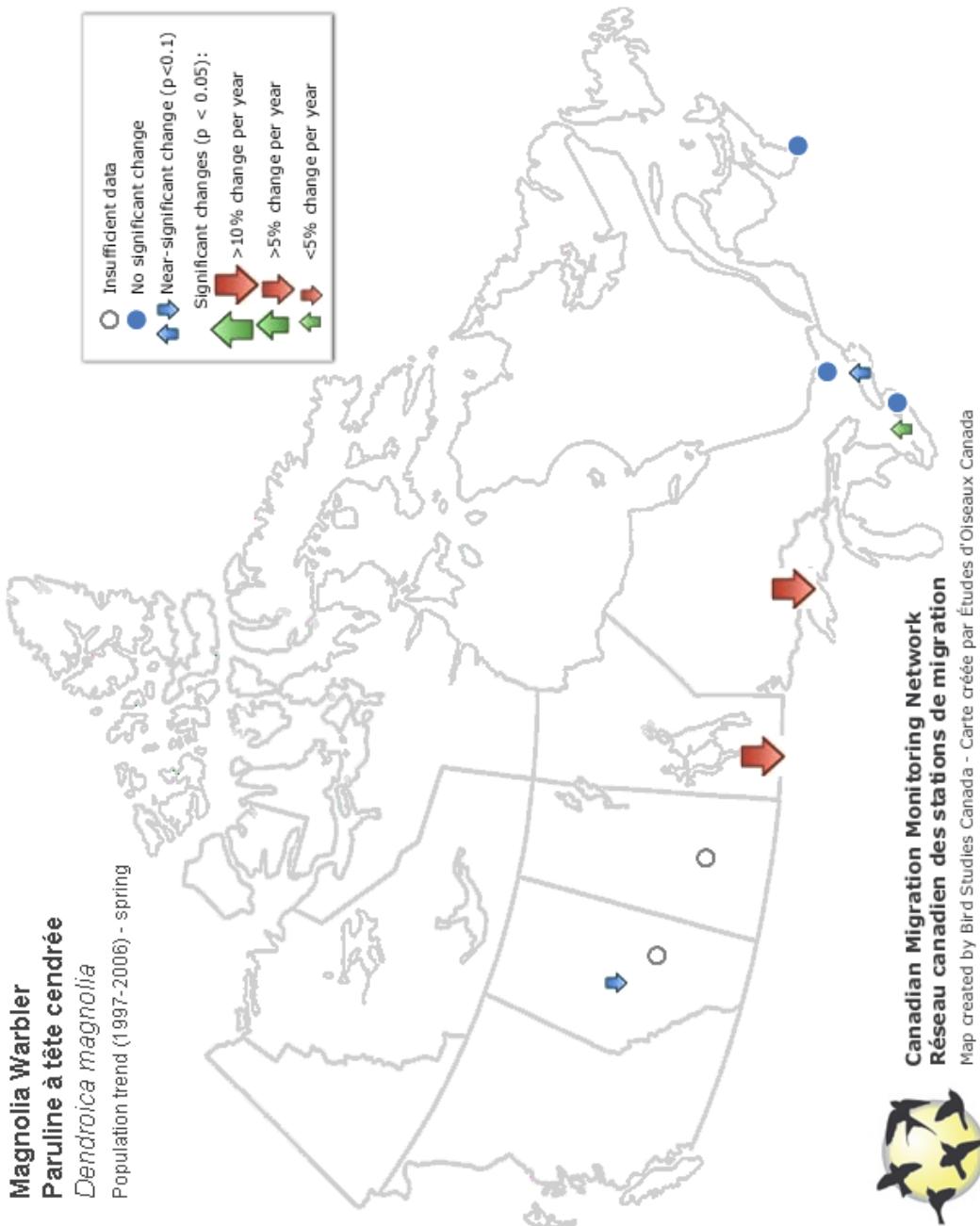
Given that migration monitoring gives a comparable trend signal to BBS in regions of southern Canada where BBS coverage is well developed, then this provides independent corroboration of the two monitoring programs. We further suggest that migration counts are also likely providing valuable trend information for species that reside in northern areas where BBS coverage is largely lacking. As noted earlier, the value of migration monitoring information for northern birds will be greatly enhanced once geographic catchment areas of migrants are better delineated through isotope studies now underway.

**FIGURE 9. MAP SHOWING THE STRENGTH AND SIGNIFICANCE OF POPULATION TRENDS FOR A) BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER (SPRING), B) MAGNOLIA WARBLER (SPRING), C) OVENBIRD (FALL), AND D) BLACKPOWL WARBLER (FALL) ACROSS ALL CMNN STATIONS THAT ANALYZED EACH SPECIES (1997-2006). TREND MAPS FOR OTHER SPECIES CAN BE FOUND AT: [HTTP://WWW.BIRDSCANADA.ORG/BIRDMONDEFALTPOPINDICES.JSP](http://WWW.BIRDSCANADA.ORG/BIRDMONDEFALTPOPINDICES.JSP).**

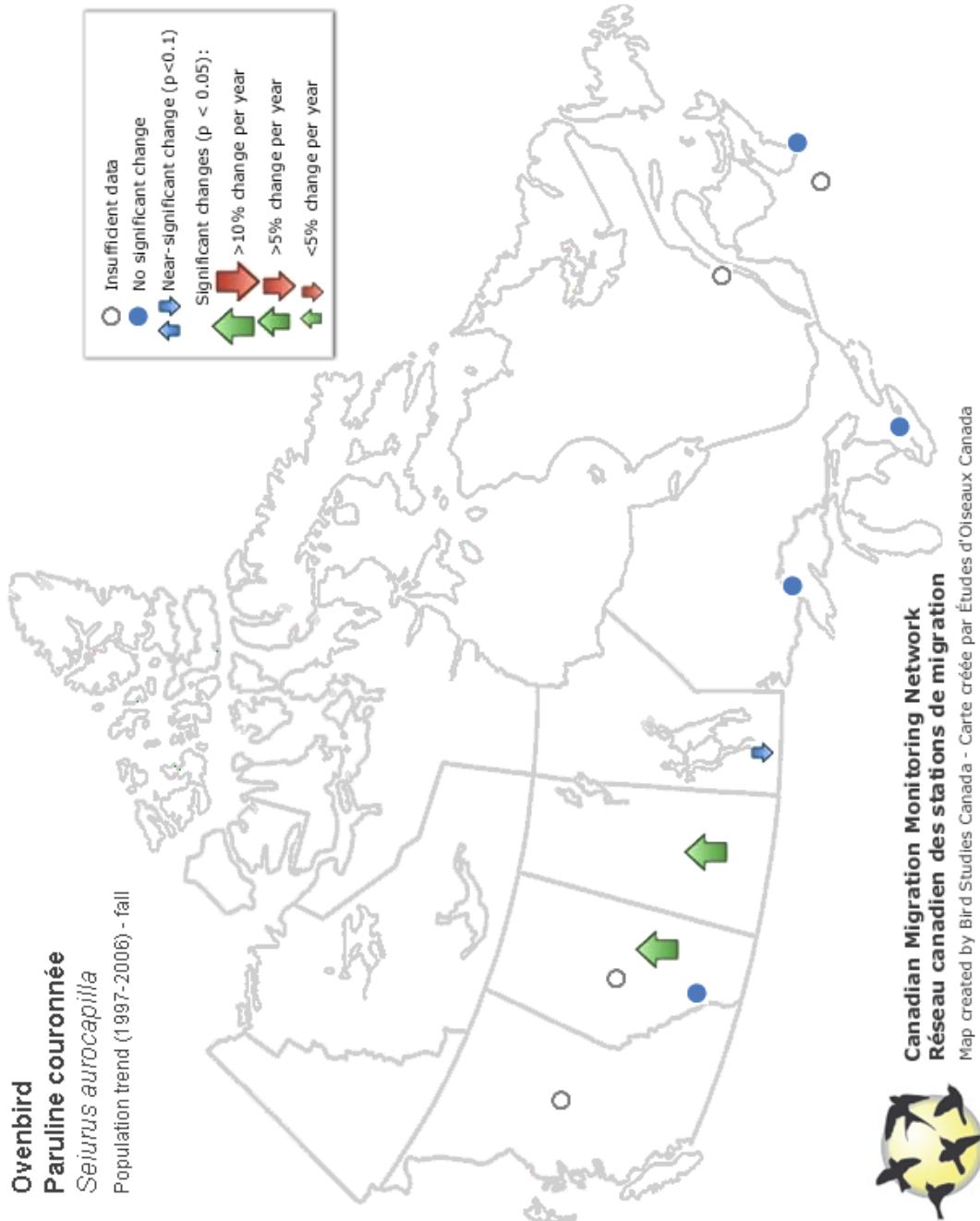
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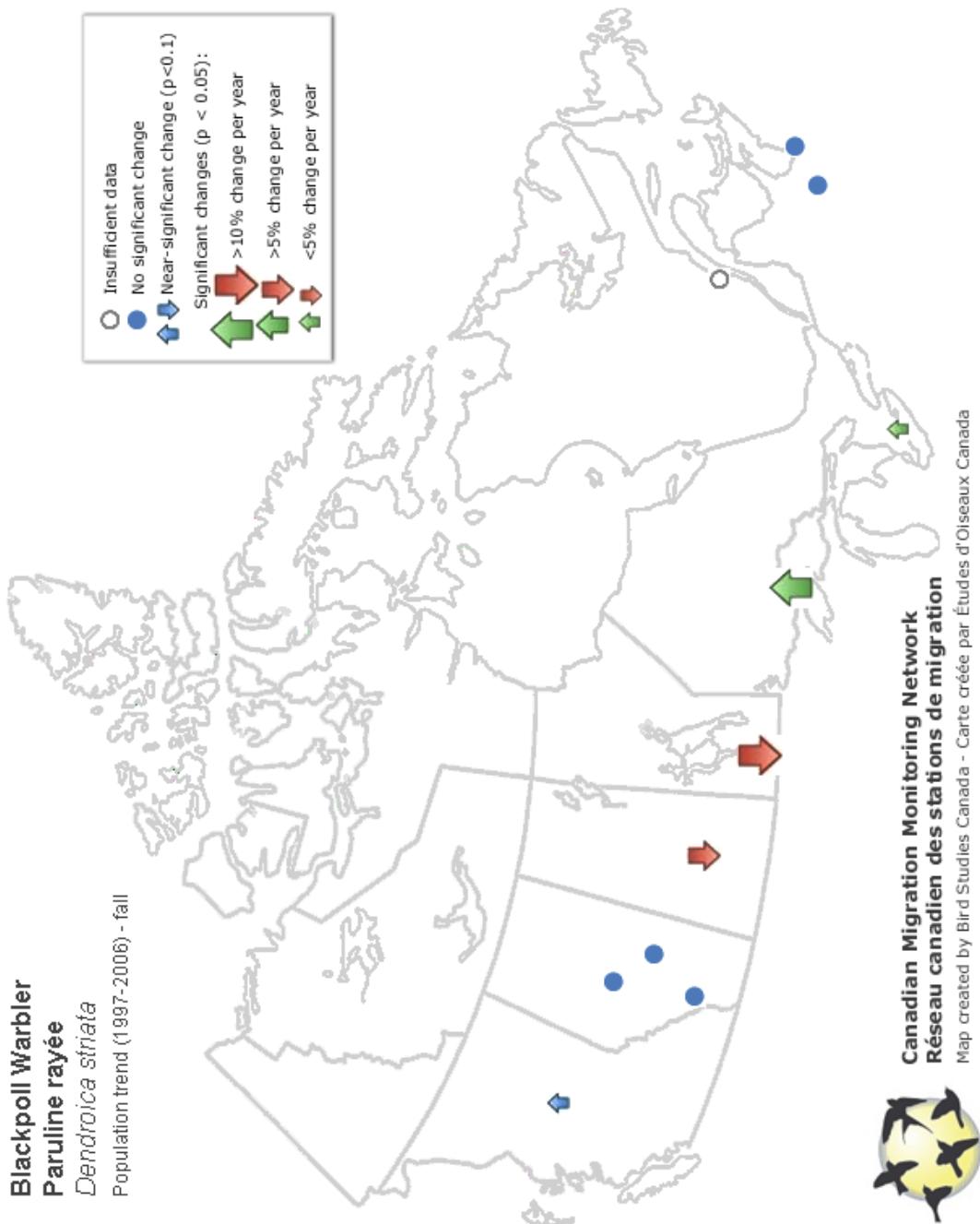
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Although results from migration monitoring and BBS corresponded well for many southern breeding species, there were a few exceptions, which suggest that there are likely important differences between the two types of surveys. For example, annual spring and fall indices of Eastern Wood-Pewee from LPBO were negatively correlated with BBS. Likewise, spring and fall trends of migrant Eastern Wood-Pewees increased significantly at LPBO, whereas breeding populations of pewees in southern Ontario declined non-significantly over the same time period using BBS data. There are at least two likely explanations for these differences. First, the pool of individuals sampled during migration at LPBO may largely originate from outside the southern Ontario BBS area of interest (e.g., include birds associated with several adjacent U.S. states and Québec). Second, because BBS is a roadside-based survey, it does not necessarily represent changes in populations across the broader landscape.

Of the northern breeding birds we examined, five species (Wilson's Warbler, Palm Warbler, Ruby-crowned Kinglet, Dark-eyed Junco, and Tennessee Warbler) stood out as statistical outliers, with strong negative trends measured by BBS compared to more positive trends at LPBO. In Ontario, breeding abundance of all five species is concentrated well north of the limit of BBS coverage (see Cadman et al. 2007). Hence, it is reasonable to suggest that the apparent negative BBS trend signals do not necessarily apply to core populations occurring in the northern ranges of these species. Conversely, because most of the individuals that are sampled during migration probably originate from these high-density northern regions, migration monitoring should be yielding reliable trend signals for these and other species associated with inaccessible northern regions.

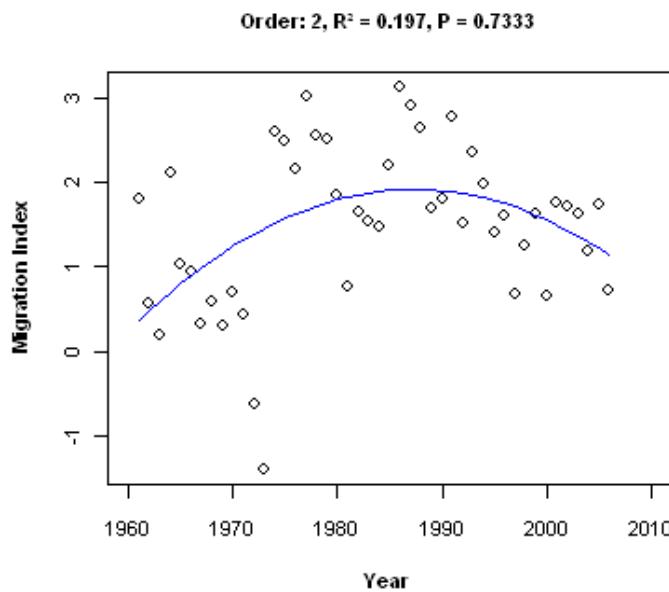
For migration monitoring, we are often interested in assessing which of the count periods (spring or fall) best reflects real population changes in breeding populations, especially for stations that operate in both seasons. Results from our analysis showed that population trends derived from spring migration at LPBO were more closely correlated with BBS than fall trends. However, the opposite was found in the correlation of annual indices. Even so, in all but one case (Warbling Vireo) the magnitude of the correlation coefficient for spring was higher than in the fall, sometimes considerably so. Contrary to our results, an earlier study by Francis and Hussell (1998) suggested that fall trends at LPBO were a better approximation of BBS trends than spring. However, their study was based on a shorter time series and involved a slightly different group of species. Because results are mixed, we cannot yet make any general conclusion about the relative performance of spring versus fall sampling. The answer undoubtedly depends very much on the overall breeding distribution of the individual species in question and their seasonal migration routes in relation to the geographic position of the migration station.

In our comparative analysis, we found that LPBO trends tended to be more positive than BBS trends in both spring and fall and for both northern and southern breeding species. The apparent positive bias at LPBO (relative to BBS) could result from unknown changes in count-estimation procedures, observer skill, or local changes in habitat. Although Long Point is generally considered to be stable habitat, census routes and net lanes have been modified periodically as a result of erosion. In addition, two large culls of white-tailed deer since the early 1990s are known to have resulted in the enhancement of ground layer habitat attributes that might be affecting stop-over suitability, especially for species that forage on or near the ground. Alternatively, changes in roadside habitat and/or increases in vehicular traffic along BBS routes could result in a negative bias of BBS trends. Francis and Hussell (1998) provide a good review of potential sources of bias both within migration monitoring and BBS. This is an obvious area deserving further research across the CMMN.

## **Factors Affecting Population Trend Estimates**

The precision and reliability of bird population trend estimates are influenced by a variety of factors, including the particular time period analyzed, local habitat changes, and changes in sampling effort, data collection methods, or analytical techniques employed. Length of the time series during which data are collected is one of the most critical features of any monitoring program that purports to measure bird population trend. All else being equal, the reliability of trend estimates increases with time. This means that estimates that are based upon 10 or more years of data have much more reliability than those that are based on fewer years. Only a handful of CMMN stations have been in operation for over a decade. As such, this report focuses on a common 10-year period in order to maximize the number of stations contributing data from across the country.

To illustrate the value of having a long time-series available, we use the Cape May Warbler example from LPBO. Over a short (10-year) period spanning 1997-2006, migration count data indicate that Cape May Warbler populations declined significantly at LPBO by -6.5%/year ( $p = 0.05$ ) in fall at LPBO (Table 3). However, over the full 45-year time period at LPBO, the longer-term data suggest much more modest overall change, showing an initial increase and subsequent decline in population (Figure 12), that corresponds well with outbreaks of spruce budworm in Ontario. In the absence of long-term monitoring, the context of the most recent 10-year change can be lost, and the importance of current population changes can be over or under estimated.



**FIGURE 12. POPULATION INDICES FOR CAPE MAY WARBLER AT LONG POINT BIRD OBSERVATORY IN SPRING (1961-2006) DEMONSTRATING NON-LINEAR TREND PATTERNS THAT FREQUENTLY OCCUR OVER LONG TIME PERIODS.**

Habitat change at count sites can also influence annual indices derived from migration data. Habitat stability is an important criteria involved in selecting migration monitoring stations, though early to mid-successional habitat is recommended for better banding and viewing opportunities. In addition to natural habitat succession, seasonal flooding can temporarily

change stop-over habitat suitability, while fire and insect outbreaks can have longer-lasting and more dramatic effects. At present, habitat composition is not well quantified on a regular basis at the majority of CMMN stations, but habitat is known to have changed at some sites. To help interpret population trends, CMMN stations are asked to regularly submit photographs of their site to give a general sense of whether and how habitat is changing over time.

Changes in sampling effort over time can also affect annual indices. This could include a change in the number or arrangement of nets, a change in census route location, a change in the method of calculating ETs, or a change in the number of hours dedicated to individual count methods. Effort can also vary within a season and among years as a result of changes in personnel, rotation of volunteers, or a change in the number and quality of personnel and volunteers. A good, transparent record of such changes is necessary at each station, so population trends can be interpreted appropriately.

### **Some Suggested Next Steps**

1. Feather isotope analysis is currently a high priority for the CMMN; a large collaborative project that is currently underway is expected to be complete by the end of 2009. Knowledge of species catchment areas at CMMN stations will provide valuable information to help interpret regional trends, station correlations, and correlations with other bird monitoring programs. It could also provide insight into where conservation efforts should be directed if, for example, there is a predominance of declining population trends within a particular geographic catchment. Results from the feather isotope analysis can also be used to perform a gap analysis to determine where new stations should be located in order to maximize coverage of the northern forest region.
2. In addition to continued work on isotopes, there is strong merit in producing population trends separately for easily identifiable subspecies, especially where linkages can be made to relatively distinct geographic regions.
3. One of the goals of the CMMN is to refine methods for computing annual indices and calculating trends, and to conduct rigorous assessments of their utility. In this report, we used generalized linear models with negative binomial or Poisson distribution to estimate annual population indices. Analysis techniques and approaches need to be refined further, and results published. Statistical approaches can and should also be developed to analyze population trends for species that occur in small numbers at CMMN stations, for non-passerine and irruptive species, and for numerous situations where migration counts may be confounded by the presence of seasonally large numbers of locally breeding or wintering residents. Developing these approaches will dramatically increase the number of species that can be analyzed and reported on across the Network.
4. Weather can affect both the probability that an individual will stop-over at a site and the duration of stop-over. By correcting for daily weather variables, variation in annual indices can be reduced (Hussell et al. 1992). Such corrections should also result in stronger correlations of annual indices among stations sampling populations from the same catchment. Although weather was found to have little impact on long-term population trend estimates at Long Point Bird Observatory (Crewe 2006), the effects of weather at other CMMN stations should be explored, particularly if average annual

weather conditions exhibit a trend over time, as might be anticipated with climate change.

5. Further analytical work needs to be done to investigate effects of local habitat change on population indices.
6. Most stations summarize daily counts using estimated totals (ETs) for each species, but Inglewood Bird Sanctuary (Alberta) and l'Observatoire d'oiseaux de Tadoussac (Québec) base their counts on standardized banding and visual migration, respectively. The effect that differences in count estimation procedure has on both the detection probability of birds and variation in annual indices requires further study. A preliminary examination suggests that there have been unexplained patterns of change (positive and negative) in ETs over time at some stations. These changes may reflect real overall population changes, but the extent to which they reflect changes in habitat, personnel, effort or methodology needs to be better understood. For example, Dunn et al. (2004) found that for the majority of species analyzed at Long Point Bird Observatory, ETs were positively biased, possibly as a result of a change in estimation procedure introduced in the early 1990s. Improving our understanding of the relationship between ETs and the components that contribute to the ET (banding, census and general observations) will allow us to improve our understanding and interpretation of observed population changes.
7. Finally, age ratio data from CMMN stations should be examined to determine its usefulness as a means to monitor annual breeding productivity (fall migration) or over-winter survival (spring migration), which could lead to a much better understanding of where population 'bottlenecks' may be occurring for species in decline.



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## Appendix A. Species Classifications

TABLE A-1. Species classification by migration strategy (T=temperate, N=neotropical); ‘other’ migration strategy (R=resident, I=irruptive, N=nomadic; see Environment Canada 2008) and by boreal breeding classification (see Blancher and Wells 2005). Records are ordered alphabetically by Species Code. Table includes all species currently analyzed at one or more CMMN stations.

Species Code	Species Name (English/French)	Species Name (Scientific)	Migration Strategy	Other	Boreal
AMGO	American Goldfinch/Chardonneret jaune	<i>Carduelis tristis</i>	T		
AMKE	American Kestrel/Crécerelle d’Amérique	<i>Falco sparverius</i>	T		
AMPI	American Pipit/Pipit d’Amérique	<i>Anthus rubescens</i>	T		
AMRE	American Redstart/Paruline flamboyante	<i>Setophaga ruticilla</i>	T		
AMRO	American Robin/Merle d’Amérique	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>	T		
ATSP	American Tree Sparrow/Bruant hudsonien	<i>Spizella arborea</i>	T		
BANS	Bank Swallow/Hirondelle de rivage	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	T		
BAOR	Baltimore Oriole/Oriole de Baltimore	<i>Icterus galbula</i>	T		
BARS	Barn Swallow/Hirondelle rustique	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	T		
BAWW	Black-and-white Warbler/Paruline noir et blanc	<i>Mniotilla varia</i>	T		
BBCU	Black-billed Cuckoo/Coulicou à bec noir	<i>Coccyzus erythrophthalmus</i>	T		
BBWA	Bay-breasted Warbler/Paruline à poitrine baie	<i>Dendroica castanea</i>	T		
BBWO	Black-backed Woodpecker/Pic à dos noir	<i>Picoides arcticus</i>	T		
BCCH	Black-capped Chickadee/Mésange à tête noire	<i>Poecile atricapillus</i>	T		
BEKI	Belted Kingfisher/Martin-pêcheur d’Amérique	<i>Ceryle alcyon</i>	T		
BGGN	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher/Gobemoucheur gris-bleu	<i>Poliopitila caerulea</i>	T		
BHCO	Brown-headed Cowbird/Vacher à tête brune	<i>Molothrus ater</i>	T		
BHGR	Black-headed Grosbeak/Cardinal à tête noire	<i>Pheucticus melanocephalus</i>	T		
BHVI	Solitary Vireo/Viréo à tête bleue	<i>Vireo solitarius</i>	T		
BHVI	Blue-headed Vireo/Viréo à tête bleue	<i>Vireo solitarius</i>	T		
BLBW	Blackburnian Warbler/Paruline à gorge orange	<i>Dendroica fusca</i>	T		
BLJA	Blue Jay/Géai bleu	<i>Cyanocitta cristata</i>	T		
BLPW	Blackpoll Warbler/Paruline rayée	<i>Dendroica striata</i>	T		
BOWA	Bohemian Waxwing/Jaseur boréal	<i>Bombycilla garrulus</i>	T		
BRCR	Brown Creeper/Grimpeur brun	<i>Certhia americana</i>	T		
BRTH	Brown Thrasher/Moqueur roux	<i>Toxostoma rufum</i>	T		
BTBW	Black-throated Blue Warbler/Paruline bleue	<i>Dendroica caerulea</i>	T		
BTNW	Black-throated Green Warbler/Paruline bleue	<i>Dendroica virens</i>	T		
BTP1	Band-tailed Pigeon/Pigeon à queue barrée	<i>Patagioenas fasciata</i>	T		
BTYW	Black-throated Gray Warbler/Paruline grise	<i>Dendroica nigrescens</i>	T		
CAVI	Cassin’s Vireo/Viréo de Cassin	<i>Vireo cassinii</i>	T		
CAWA	Canada Warbler/Paruline du Canada	<i>Wilsonia canadensis</i>	T		
CCSP	Clay-colored Sparrow/Bruant des plaines	<i>Spizella pallida</i>	T		
CEDW	Cedar Waxwing/Jaseur d’Amérique	<i>Bombycilla cedrorum</i>	T		
CHSP	Chipping Sparrow/Bruant familier	<i>Spizella passerina</i>	T		
CLSW	Cliff Swallow/Hirondelle à front blanc	<i>Petrochelidon pyrrhonota</i>	T		
CMWA	Cape May Warbler/Paruline tigrée	<i>Dendroica tigrina</i>	T		
COGR	Common Grackle/Quiscale bronzé	<i>Quiscalus quiscula</i>	T		

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CON	Common Nighthawk/Engoulevent d'Amérique	<i>Chordeiles minor</i>	-	-	-
CORE	Common Redpoll/Sizerin flamme	<i>Carduelis flammea</i>	-	-	-
COYE	Common Yellowthroat/Paruline masquée	<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>	-	-	-
CSWA	Chestnut-sided Warbler/Paruline à flancs marron	<i>Dendroica pensylvanica</i>	-	-	-
DEJU	Dark-eyed Junco/Junco ardoisé	<i>Junco hyemalis</i>	Y	-	-
DUFL	Dusky Flycatcher/Moucherolle sombre	<i>Empidonax oberholseri</i>	-	-	-
EABL	Eastern Bluebird/Merlebleu de l'Est	<i>Sialia sialis</i>	-	-	-
EAKI	Eastern Kingbird/Tyran trirri	<i>Tyrannus tyrannus</i>	-	-	-
EAPH	Eastern Phoebe/Moucherolle phébi	<i>Sayornis phoebe</i>	-	-	-
EATO	Eastern Towhee/Tohi à flancs roux	<i>Pipilo erythrrophthalmus</i>	-	-	-
EAWP	Eastern Wood-Pewee/Piou de l'Est	<i>Contopus virens</i>	-	-	-
EVGR	Evening Grosbeak/Gros-bec errant	<i>Coccothraustes vespertinus</i>	R/I	-	-
FISP	Field Sparrow/Bruant des champs	<i>Spizella pusilla</i>	-	-	-
FOSP	Fox Sparrow/Bruant fauve	<i>Passerella iliaca</i>	-	-	-
GCFL	Great Crested Flycatcher/Tyran huppé	<i>Myiarchus crinitus</i>	-	-	-
GCKI	Golden-crowned Kinglet/Roitelet à couronne dorée	<i>Regulus satrapa</i>	-	-	-
GCSP	Golden-crowned Sparrow/Bruant à couronne dorée	<i>Zonotrichia atricapilla</i>	-	-	-
GCTH	Gray-cheeked Thrush/Grive à joues grises	<i>Catharus minimus</i>	-	-	-
GRCA	Gray Catbird/Moqueur chat	<i>Dumetella carolinensis</i>	-	-	-
HAFL	Hammond's Flycatcher/Moucherolle de Hammond	<i>Empidonax hammondi</i>	-	-	-
HASP	Harris's Sparrow/Bruant à face noire	<i>Zonotrichia querula</i>	-	-	-
HETH	Hermit Thrush/Grive solitaire	<i>Catharus guttatus</i>	-	-	-
HOLA	Horned Lark/Alouette haussé-col	<i>Eremophila alpestris</i>	-	-	-
HOWR	House Wren/Troglodyte familier	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>	-	-	-
INBU	Indigo Bunting/Passerin indigo	<i>Passerina cyanea</i>	-	-	-
LALO	Lapland Longspur/Bruant lapon	<i>Calcarius lapponicus</i>	-	-	-
LEFL	Least Flycatcher/Moucherolle tchêbec	<i>Empidonax minimus</i>	-	-	-
LISP	Lincoln's Sparrow/Bruant de Lincoln	<i>Melospiza lincolini</i>	-	-	-
MAWA	Magnolia Warbler/Paruline à tête cendrée	<i>Dendroica magnolia</i>	-	-	-
MAWR	Marsh Wren/Troglodyte des marais	<i>Cistothorus palustris</i>	-	-	-
MGWA	MacGillivray's Warbler/Paruline des buissons	<i>Oporornis tolmiei</i>	-	-	-
MOWA	Mourning Warbler/Paruline triste	<i>Oporornis philadelphica</i>	-	-	-
NAWA	Nashville Warbler/Paruline à joues grises	<i>Vermivora nubicola</i>	-	-	-
NOFL	Northern Flicker/Pic flamboyant	<i>Colaptes auratus</i>	-	-	-
NOHA	Northern Parula/Paruline à collier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>	-	-	-
NOPA	Northern Waterthrush/Paruline des ruisseaux	<i>Parula americana</i>	-	-	-
NOWA	Northern Rough-winged Swallow/Hirondelle à ailes hérissées	<i>Stelgidopteryx serripennis</i>	-	-	-
NRWS	Northern Shrike/Pie-grièche grise	<i>Lanius excubitor</i>	-	-	-
NSHR	Olive-sided Flycatcher/Moucherolle à côtes olive	<i>Contopus cooperi</i>	-	-	-
OCWA	Ovenbird/Paruline couronnée	<i>Seiurus aurocapilla</i>	-	-	-
OSFL	Palm Warbler/Paruline à couronne rouge	<i>Dendroica palmarum</i>	-	-	-
OVEN	Philadelphia Vireo/Viréo de Philadelphie	<i>Vireo philadelphicus</i>	-	-	-
PAWA	Pine Grosbeak/Durbec des sapins	<i>Pinicola enucleator</i>	N/R/I	-	-
PHVI	Pine Siskin/Tarin des pins	<i>Carduelis pinus</i>	R/I	-	-

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PIWA	Pine Warbler/Pardine des pins	<i>Dendroica pinus</i>	-	-	-
PSFL	Pacific-slope Flycatcher/Moucherolle côteir	<i>Empidonax difficilis</i>	-	-	-
PUFI	Purple Finch/Roselin pourpré	<i>Carpodacus purpureus</i>	R/I	-	-
PUMA	Purple Martin/Hirondelle noire	<i>Progne subis</i>	-	-	-
RBGR	Rose-breasted Grosbeak/Cardinal à poitrine rose	<i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i>	R/I	-	-
RBNU	Red-breasted Nuthatch/Sittelle à poitrine rouge	<i>Sitta canadensis</i>	-	-	-
RCKI	Ruby-crowned Kinglet/Roitelet à couronne rubis	<i>Regulus calendula</i>	-	-	-
RECR	Red Crossbill/Bec-croisé des sapins	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>	-	-	-
REVI	Red-eyed Vireo/Viréo aux yeux rouges	<i>Vireo olivaceus</i>	-	-	-
RHWI	Red-headed Woodpecker/Pic à tête rouge	<i>Melanerpes erythrocephalus</i>	-	-	-
RTHU	Ruby-throated Hummingbird/Colibri à gorge rubis	<i>Archilochus colubris</i>	-	-	-
RUBL	Rusty Blackbird/Quiscale rouilleux	<i>Euphagus carolinus</i>	-	-	-
RUHU	Rufous Hummingbird/Colibri roux	<i>Selasphorus rufus</i>	-	-	-
RWBL	Red-winged Blackbird/Carouge à épaulettes	<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>	-	-	-
SAVS	Savannah Sparrow/Bruant des prés	<i>Passerculus sandwichensis</i>	-	-	-
SCTA	Scarlet Tanager/Tangara écarlate	<i>Piranga olivacea</i>	-	-	-
SEWR	Sedge Wren/Troglodyte à bec court	<i>Cistothorus platensis</i>	-	-	-
SNBU	Snow Bunting/Bruant des neiges	<i>Plectrophenax nivalis</i>	-	-	-
SOSA	Solitary Sandpiper/Chevalier solitaire	<i>Tringa solitaria</i>	-	-	-
SOSP	Song Sparrow/Bruant chanteur	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>	-	-	-
SSHA	Sharp-shinned Hawk/Épervier brun	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>	-	-	-
STJA	Steller's Jay/Géai de Steller	<i>Cyanocitta stelleri</i>	R	-	-
SWSP	Swamp Sparrow/Bruant des marais	<i>Melospiza georgiana</i>	-	-	-
SWTH	Swainson's Thrush/Grive à dos olive	<i>Catharus ustulatus</i>	-	-	-
TEWA	Tennessee Warbler/Paruline obscure	<i>Vermivora pereginta</i>	-	-	-
TRES	Townsend's Warbler/Paruline Townsend	<i>Dendroica townsendi</i>	-	-	-
TRFL	Tree Swallow/Hirondelle bicolore	<i>Tachycineta bicolor</i>	-	-	-
TTWO	Trail's Flycatcher/Moucherolle des saules ou des aulnes	<i>Empidonax traillii</i> or <i>alnorum</i>	-	-	-
VASW	Three-toed Woodpecker/Pic tridactyle	<i>Picoides tridactylus</i>	-	-	-
VATH	Vaux's Swift/Martinet de Vaux	<i>Chaetura vauxi</i>	-	-	-
VEER	Varied Thrush/Grive à collier	<i>Ixoreus naevius</i>	-	-	-
VESP	Veery/Grive fauve	<i>Catharus fuscescens</i>	-	-	-
VGSW	Vesper Sparrow/Bruant vespéral	<i>Pooecetes gramineus</i>	-	-	-
WAVI	Violet-green Swallow/Hirondelle à face blanche	<i>Tachycineta thalassina</i>	-	-	-
WBNU	Warbling Vireo/Viréo mélodieux	<i>Vireo gilvus</i>	-	-	-
WCSP	White-breasted Nuthatch/Sittelle à poitrine blanche	<i>Sitta carolinensis</i>	-	-	-
WEKI	White-crowned Sparrow/Bruant à calotte noire	<i>Zonotrichia leucophrys</i>	-	-	-
WEWA	Western Kingbird/Tyran de l'Ouest	<i>Tyrannus verticalis</i>	-	-	-
WEWP	Western Tanager/Tangara à tête rouge	<i>Piranga ludoviciana</i>	-	-	-
WIWA	Western Wood-Pewee/Piou de l'Ouest	<i>Contopus sordidulus</i>	-	-	-
WWR	Winter Wren/Troglodyte mignon	<i>Wilsonia pusilla</i>	-	-	-
WOTH	Wood Thrush/Grive des bois	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	-	-	-
WTSP	White-throated Sparrow/Bruant à gorge blanche	<i>Hylocichla mustelina</i>	-	-	-
WWCR	White-winged Crossbill/Bec-croisé bifascié	<i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>	-	-	-
YBCU	Yellow-billed Cuckoo/Coulicou à bec jaune	<i>Loxia leucoptera</i>	-	-	-
		<i>Coccycuza americanus</i>	N	-	-

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YBFL	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher/Moucherolle à ventre jaune	<i>Empidonax flaviventris</i>	N	-	Y
YBSA	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker/Pic maculé	<i>Sphyrapicus varius</i>	T	-	Y
YRWA	Yellow-rumped Warbler/Paruline à croupion jaune	<i>Dendroica coronata</i>	T	-	Y
YWAR	Yellow Warbler/Paruline jaune	<i>Dendroica petechia</i>	N	-	.

## **Appendix B. Species Sampled at CMMN Stations in Spring and Fall.**

**Table B-1.** Species detected in low numbers at CMIN stations ( $\circ$ ); species that met minimum sample size requirements (10 individuals and 5 observation days on average) and may be candidates for future trend analysis ( $\bullet$ ); and species analyzed in this report ( $\bullet$ ). Species are listed in taxonomic order. Listing excludes species that seldom if ever breed in Canada. Only a subset of data was available for the IBS and OOT stations.



Species Code	Species Name (English/French)	Season											
		Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
BUFF	Bufflehead/Petit Garrot	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
COGO	Common Goldeneye/Garrot à oeil d'or	●	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
COGO	Common Goldeneye/Garrot à oeil d'or	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BAGO	Barrow's Goldeneye/Garrot d'Islande	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BAGO	Barrow's Goldeneye/Garrot d'Islande	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
HOME	Hooded Merganser/Harle couronné	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
HOME	Hooded Merganser/Harle couronné	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
COME	Common Merganser/Grand Harle	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
COME	Common Merganser/Grand Harle	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RBME	Red-breasted Merganser/Harle huppé	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RBME	Red-breasted Merganser/Harle huppé	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RUDU	Ruddy Duck/Érisomme rousse	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RUDU	Ruddy Duck/Érisomme rousse	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
GRPA	Gray Partridge/Perdrix grise	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
GRPA	Gray Partridge/Perdrix grise	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RIPH	Ring-necked Pheasant/Faisan de Colchide	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RIPH	Ring-necked Pheasant/Faisan de Colchide	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RUGR	Ruffed Grouse/Gélinotte huppée	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RUGR	Ruffed Grouse/Gélinotte huppée	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
SPGR	Spruce Grouse/Tétras du Canada	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BGSE	Blue Grouse/Tétras sombre	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
STGR	Sharp-tailed Grouse/Tétras à queue fine	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
STGR	Sharp-tailed Grouse/Tétras à queue fine	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
WTIU	Wild Turkey/Dindon sauvage	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
CAQU	California Quail/Colin de Californie	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
CAQU	California Quail/Colin de Californie	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RTLO	Red-throated Loon/Plongeon catmarin	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RTLO	Red-throated Loon/Plongeon catmarin	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PALO	Pacific Loon/Plongeon du Pacifique	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PALO	Pacific Loon/Plongeon du Pacifique	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
COLO	Common Loon/Plongeon huard	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
COLO	Common Loon/Plongeon huard	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
YBLO	Yellow-billed Loon/Plongeon à bec blanc	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
YBLO	Yellow-billed Loon/Plongeon à bec blanc	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○



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			Black-crowned Night-Heron/Bihoreau gris	Black-crowned Night-Heron/Bihoreau gris	Turkey Vulture/Urbu à tête rouge	Turkey Vulture/Urbu à tête rouge	Osprey/Balbuzard pêcheur	Osprey/Balbuzard pêcheur	Bald Eagle/Pygargue à tête blanche	Bald Eagle/Pygargue à tête blanche	Northern Harrier/Busard Saint-Martin	Northern Harrier/Busard Saint-Martin	Sharp-shinned Hawk/Épervier brun	Sharp-shinned Hawk/Épervier brun	Cooper's Hawk/Épervier de Cooper	Cooper's Hawk/Épervier de Cooper	Northern Goshawk/Autour des palombes	Northern Goshawk/Autour des palombes	Red-shouldered Hawk/Buse à épaulettes	Red-shouldered Hawk/Buse à épaulettes	Broad-winged Hawk/Petite Buse	Broad-winged Hawk/Petite Buse	Swainson's Hawk/Buse de Swainson	Swainson's Hawk/Buse de Swainson	Red-tailed Hawk/Buse à queue rousse	Red-tailed Hawk/Buse à queue rousse	Ferruginous Hawk/Buse rouilleuse	Ferruginous Hawk/Buse rouilleuse
SNEG	Snowy Egret/Aigrette neigeuse	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
SNEG	Snowy Egret/Aigrette neigeuse	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
LBHE	Little Blue Heron/Aigrette bleue	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
LBHE	Little Blue Heron/Aigrette bleue	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
TRHE	Tricolored Heron/Aigrette tricolore	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
CAEG	Cattle Egret/Héron garde-bœufs	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
CAEG	Cattle Egret/Héron garde-bœufs	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
GRHE	Green Heron/Héron vert	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
GRHE	Green Heron/Héron vert	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
ABO_BP		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
ABO_SI		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
OOT		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
IPBO		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
PEPTBO		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
HB0_SELK		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
HB0_ROCK		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
HB0_RUTH		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
LPO_TIP		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
LPO_BW		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
LPO_OC		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●		
BPO		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
TCBO		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
DMBO		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
LMBO		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
IBS		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
LSLBO		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
MNO		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		
RPO		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		

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RLHA	Rough-legged Hawk/Buse pattue	Spring																				
RLHA	Rough-legged Hawk/Buse pattue	Fall	○	○																		
GOEA	Golden Eagle/Aigle royal	Spring																				
GOEA	Golden Eagle/Aigle royal	Fall																				
AMKE	American Kestrel/Crécerelle d'Amérique	Spring	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
AMKE	American Kestrel/Crécerelle d'Amérique	Fall	○	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
MERL	Merlin/Faucon émerillon	Spring																				
MERL	Merlin/Faucon émerillon	Fall																				
GYRF	Gyrfalcon/Faucon gerfaut	Spring																				
GYRF	Gyrfalcon/Faucon gerfaut	Fall																				
PEFA	Peregrine Falcon/Faucon pèlerin	Spring																				
PEFA	Peregrine Falcon/Faucon pèlerin	Fall	●	●																		
PRFA	Prairie Falcon/Faucon des prairies	Spring																				
YERA	Yellow Rail/Râle jaune	Fall																				
YERA	Yellow Rail/Râle jaune	Spring																				
KIRA	King Rail/Râle élégant	Fall																				
KIRA	King Rail/Râle élégant	Spring																				
VIRA	Virginia Rail/Râle de Virginie	Fall																				
VIRA	Virginia Rail/Râle de Virginie	Spring																				
SORA	Sora/Marouette de Caroline	Fall																				
SORA	Sora/Marouette de Caroline	Spring																				
COMO	Common Moorhen/Gallinule poule-d'eau	Fall																				
COMO	Common Moorhen/Gallinule poule-d'eau	Spring																				
AMCO	American Coot/Foulque d'Amérique	Fall																				
AMCO	American Coot/Foulque d'Amérique	Spring																				
SACR	Sandhill Crane/Grué du Canada	Fall																				
SACR	Sandhill Crane/Grué du Canada	Spring																				
BBPL	Black-bellied Plover/Pluvier argenté	Fall																				
BBPL	Black-bellied Plover/Pluvier argenté	Spring																				
LEGP	Lesser Golden-Plover/Pluvier bronzé sp.	Fall																				
LEGP	Lesser Golden-Plover/Pluvier bronzé sp.	Spring																				
AMGP	American Golden-Plover/Pluvier bronzé	Fall																				
AMGP	American Golden-Plover/Pluvier bronzé	Spring																				
PAGP	Pacific Golden-Plover/Pluvier fauve	Fall																				
SEPL	Semipalmated Plover/Pluvier semipalmé	Spring																				





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FRGU	Franklin's Gull/Mouette de Franklin	Spring																																													
FRGU	Franklin's Gull/Mouette de Franklin	Fall	○																																												
LIGU	Little Gull/Mouette pygmée	Spring																																													
LIGU	Little Gull/Mouette pygmée	Fall	○	○																																											
BOGU	Bonaparte's Gull/Mouette de Bonaparte	Spring																																													
BOGU	Bonaparte's Gull/Mouette de Bonaparte	Fall	○	○	○																																										
MEGU	Mew Gull/Goéland cendré	Spring																																													
MEGU	Mew Gull/Goéland cendré	Fall	○	○	○																																										
RBGU	Ring-billed Gull/Goéland à bec cercié	Spring																																													
RBGU	Ring-billed Gull/Goéland à bec cercié	Fall	○	○	○																																										
CAGU	California Gull/Goéland de Californie	Spring																																													
CAGU	California Gull/Goéland de Californie	Fall	○	○	○																																										
HERG	Herring Gull/Goéland argenté	Spring																																													
HERG	Herring Gull/Goéland argenté	Fall	○	○	○																																										
THGU	Thayer's Gull/Goéland de Thayer	Spring																																													
THGU	Thayer's Gull/Goéland de Thayer	Fall	○	○	○																																										
ICGU	Iceland Gull/Goéland arctique	Spring																																													
ICGU	Iceland Gull/Goéland arctique	Fall	○	○	○																																										
WEGU	Western Gull/Goéland d'Audubon	Spring																																													
GWGU	Glaucous-winged Gull/Goéland à ailes grises	Spring																																													
GWGU	Glaucous-winged Gull/Goéland à ailes grises	Fall	○	○	○																																										
GLGU	Glaucous Gull/Goéland bourgmestre	Spring																																													
GLGU	Glaucous Gull/Goéland bourgmestre	Fall	○	○	○																																										
GBBG	Great Black-backed Gull/Goéland marin	Spring																																													
GBBG	Great Black-backed Gull/Goéland marin	Fall	○	○	○																																										
SAGU	Sabine's Gull/Mouette de Sabine	Spring																																													
BLKI	Black-legged Kittiwake/Mouette tridactyle	Spring																																													
BLKI	Black-legged Kittiwake/Mouette tridactyle	Fall	○	○	○																																										
CATE	Caspian Tern/Sterne caspienne	Spring																																													
CATE	Caspian Tern/Sterne caspienne	Fall	○	○	○																																										
BLTE	Black Tern/Guifette noire	Spring																																													
BLTE	Black Tern/Guifette noire	Fall	○	○	○																																										
COTE	Common Tern/Sterne pierregarin	Spring																																													
COTE	Common Tern/Sterne pierregarin	Fall	○	○	○																																										
ARTE	Arctic Tern/Sterne arctique	Spring																																													

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ARTE	Arctic Tern/Sterne arctique	Fall	○																				
FOTE	Forster's Tern/Sterne de Forster	Spring	○																				
FOTE	Forster's Tern/Sterne de Forster	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
POJA	Pomarine Jaeger/Labbe pomarin	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PAJA	Parasitic Jaeger/Labbe parasite	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PAJA	Parasitic Jaeger/Labbe parasite	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
LTJA	Long-tailed Jaeger/Labbe à longue queue	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
DOVE	Dovekie/Mergule nain	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
DOVE	Dovekie/Mergule nain	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
COMU	Common Murre/Guillemot marmette	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
COMU	Common Murre/Guillemot marmette	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BLGU	Black Guillemot/Guillemot à miroir	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BLGU	Black Guillemot/Guillemot à miroir	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PIGU	Pigeon Guillemot/Guillemot colombin	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PIGU	Pigeon Guillemot/Guillemot colombin	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
MAMU	Marbled Murrelet/Guillemot marbré	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
ANMU	Ancient Murrelet/Guillemot à cou blanc	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
CAAU	Cassin's Aukslet/Starique de Cassin	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RHAU	Rhinoceros Auklet/Macareux rhinocéros	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RHAU	Rhinoceros Auklet/Macareux rhinocéros	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
ATPU	Atlantic Puffin/Macareux moine	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
ATPU	Atlantic Puffin/Macareux moine	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
TUPU	Tufted Puffin/Macareux huppé	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RODO	Rock Pigeon/Pigeon biset	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RODO	Rock Pigeon/Pigeon biset	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BTPI	Band-tailed Pigeon/Pigeon à queue barrée	Fall	●																				
MODO	Mourning Dove/Tourterelle triste	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
MODO	Mourning Dove/Tourterelle triste	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
YBCU	Yellow-billed Cuckoo/Coulicou à bec jaune	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
YBCU	Yellow-billed Cuckoo/Coulicou à bec jaune	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BBCU	Black-billed Cuckoo/Coulicou à bec noir	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BBCU	Black-billed Cuckoo/Coulicou à bec noir	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
EASO	Eastern Screech-Owl/Petit-duc maculé	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
EASO	Eastern Screech-Owl/Petit-duc maculé	Fall	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
GHOW	Great Horned Owl/Grand-duc d'Amérique	Spring	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○





















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		Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring
EAME	Eastern Meadowlark/Sturnelle des prés	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
WEME	Western Meadowlark/Sturnelle de l'Ouest	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
WEME	Western Meadowlark/Sturnelle de l'Ouest	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
YHBL	Yellow-headed Blackbird/Carouge à tête jaune	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
YHBL	Yellow-headed Blackbird/Carouge à tête jaune	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RUBL	Rusty Blackbird/Quiscale rouilleux	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RUBL	Rusty Blackbird/Quiscale rouilleux	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BRBL	Brewer's Blackbird/Quiscale de Brewer	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BRBL	Brewer's Blackbird/Quiscale de Brewer	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
COGR	Common Grackle/Quiscale bronzé	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
COGR	Common Grackle/Quiscale bronzé	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BHCO	Brown-headed Cowbird/Vacher à tête brune	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BHCO	Brown-headed Cowbird/Vacher à tête brune	●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
OROR	Orchard Oriole/Oriole des vergers	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
OROR	Orchard Oriole/Oriole des vergers	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BUOR	Bullock's Oriole/Oriole de Bullock	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BAOR	Baltimore Oriole/Oriole de Baltimore	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
BAOR	Baltimore Oriole/Oriole de Baltimore	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PIGR	Pine Grosbeak/Durbec des sapins	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PIGR	Pine Grosbeak/Durbec des sapins	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PUFI	Purple Finch/Roselin pourpré	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PUFI	Purple Finch/Roselin pourpré	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
HOFI	House Finch/Roselin familier	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
HOFI	House Finch/Roselin familier	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RECR	Red Crossbill/Bec-croisé des sapins	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
RECR	Red Crossbill/Bec-croisé des sapins	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
WWCR	White-winged Crossbill/Bec-croisé bifascié	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
WWCR	White-winged Crossbill/Bec-croisé bifascié	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
CORE	Common Redpoll/Sizerin flammé	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
CORE	Common Redpoll/Sizerin flammé	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
HORE	Hoary Redpoll/Sizerin blanchâtre	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
HORE	Hoary Redpoll/Sizerin blanchâtre	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PISI	Pine Siskin/Tarin des pins	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
PISI	Pine Siskin/Tarin des pins	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
AMGO	American Goldfinch/Chardonneret jaune	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○

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AMGO	American Goldfinch/Chardonneret jaune				Fall	
EVGR	Evening Grosbeak/Gros-bec errant				Spring	
EVGR	Evening Grosbeak/Gros-bec errant				Fall	
HOSP	House Sparrow/Moineau domestique				Spring	
HOSP	House Sparrow/Moineau domestique				Fall	
ABO_BP		○	○	○		
ABO_SI		●	○	○		
OOT		●	●			
IPBO		○	○			
PEPTBO		●	○	○		
HBO_SELK		●	○	○	●	●
HBO_ROCK		●	○	●	○	
HBO_RUTH		●	○	○	●	○
LPO_TIP		●	○	○	●	●
LPO_BW		●	○	○	○	○
LPO_OC		●	○	●	●	●
BPO		●	●	○	○	○
TCBO		●	●	●	○	○
DMBO		●	○	○	○	○
LMBD		●	●	●	●	●
BBO		●	○	○	○	○
IBS		○				
LSLBO		○	●	●	○	
MNO			●			
RPO		●		●	○	○





