

BIRD OBSERVATIONS SEYMOUR TOWNSHIP, S.E. ONTARIO

Number of days on which a species is seen each month

**Ring-billed gull**

Data compiled 25 May 2014

Chart 1999-2013, 15 years

1998 notes : based on short visit on 05 June, and then on observations 24 August onwards

Species

Ring-billed gull

| Year | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Total | Notes                        |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------------------------------|
| 1998 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1     | 29-Sep                       |
| 1999 |     |     | 1   |     | 3   | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     |     | 7     | 25-Mar - 16 Aug              |
| 2000 |     |     |     |     | 1   |     | 1   | 1   | 1   |     |     |     | 4     | 21 May - 10 Sep              |
| 2001 |     |     |     |     |     | 1   | 2   |     |     |     |     |     | 3     | 23 Jun - 22 Jul              |
| 2002 |     |     | 1   |     |     | 1   |     | 3   | 1   | 2   |     |     | 8     | 21 Mar - 21 Oct              |
| 2003 |     |     |     |     | 2   | 3   | 4   | 6   | 3   | 1   |     |     | 19    | 18 May - 3 Oct               |
| 2004 |     |     | 1   |     |     | 3   | 3   | 4   | 4   | 6   |     |     | 21    | 12 Mar - 26 Oct              |
| 2005 |     |     | 4   |     |     | 2   |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 7     | 19 Mar - 11 Sep              |
| 2006 |     |     | 1   | 3   | 3   | 1   | 1   | 3   | 1   | 1   |     |     | 14    | 10 Mar - 21 Oct              |
| 2007 |     |     |     | 2   | 3   | 3   | 2   | 1   |     | 2   |     |     | 13    | 21 Apr - 13 Oct              |
| 2008 |     |     |     | 1   |     |     |     | 1   | 5   | 1   |     |     | 8     | 18 Apr - 5 Oct               |
| 2009 |     |     | 6   | 3   |     |     | 1   |     |     |     |     |     | 10    | 8 Mar - 5 Jul                |
| 2010 |     |     |     | 4   |     | 1   | 1   |     | 2   |     |     |     | 9     | 7 Apr - 29 Sep               |
| 2011 |     |     | 2   | 3   | 2   | 3   |     | 2   |     |     |     |     | 12    | 28 Mar - 31 Aug              |
| 2012 |     |     | 6   | 8   | 6   |     | 1   |     | 1   |     |     |     | 22    | 17 Mar - 15 Sep              |
| 2013 |     |     |     | 2   |     | 2   | 1   |     | 2   |     |     |     | 7     | 06 Apr - 22 Sep              |
| 2014 |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | 0     | 3 Apr - (?)                  |
|      | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Total | 164 sighting-days, 1999-2013 |
|      | 0   | 0   | 22  | 26  | 20  | 21  | 18  | 23  | 21  | 13  | 0   | 0   | 164   |                              |

RBG bird strikes at home - none

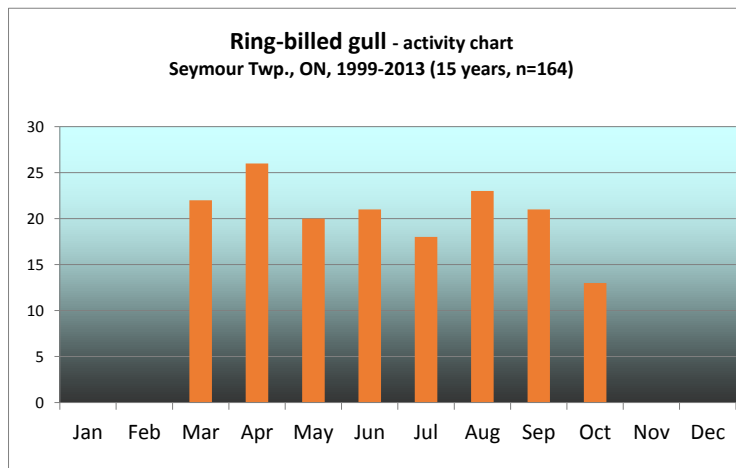
Updated to 25 May 2014 (2014 sightings total 4 so far, 3 Apr to 10 May)

Note: the chart displays the number of days in a given month in which the species was seen. This says nothing of total bird numbers: these gulls may be seen in small groups, as individuals, and in flocks of tens to hundreds, on water, in the air, or patrolling fields as a tractor turns the sod. The number of sighting days is a bare **minimum**, since the observer was not always present and not always near the optimal environments. Furthermore, gulls seen at a distance, not identified to species level, are not counted, so many observations were not recorded.

Source:

[www.turnstone.ca/birdlist.htm](http://www.turnstone.ca/birdlist.htm)

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Bird identification, Cornell Lab of Ornithology: visit [http://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/ring-billed\\_gull/id](http://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/ring-billed_gull/id)



Above: a cheeky ring-bill displays typical adaptation to the human environment, perched on the box of a pick-up truck by Campbellford old town hall, 21 July 2012.