

BIRD OBSERVATIONS SEYMOUR TOWNSHIP, S.E. ONTARIO

Number of days on which a species is seen each month

Mallard duck

Data compiled 15 February 2021

Chart 1998-2021, including 22 complete calendar years

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

Species
Mallard

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Notes
1998													0	
1999								1	1				2	
2000			1		1								2	
2001				1			1						2	
2002			1	1		2					1		5	10 ducks below weirs, 5 NOV
2003			1	6		3	1	3					14	
2004				4	2	1							7	
2005			1	4		1							6	
2006		2	2	7	2								13	
2007			2	2	2	3							9	
2008				1									1	
2009			1										1	
2010			2	4									6	
2011			1	1		2		1					5	
2012			2	4	2				1				9	
2013					2								2	
2014				2		2							4	
2015	1			2									3	
2016													0	
2017												1	1	
2018													0	
2019							1				3		4	
2020	3	2	8	6	1	4	6	1					31	2 local breeding pairs (?)
2021													0	Not counted
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	xxx sighting-days, 1998-2020
	4	4	22	45	12	18	9	6	2	0	4	1	127	

Likely bird strikes at home - none

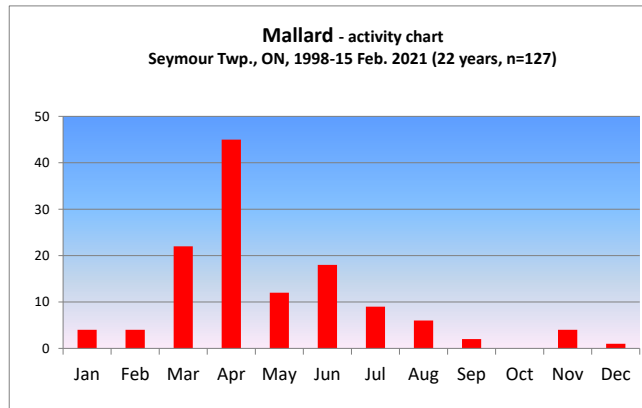
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Note: the chart displays the number of days in a given month in which the species was seen. This says nothing of total bird numbers: though no more than six have been noted here at any one time. This is a **minimum**, as the observer was not present continuously (some multi-week absences in some years), did not spend long intervals on the major waterways, and was not observing from dawn to dusk.

Source:

www.turnstone.ca/birdlist.htm

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Bird identification, Cornell Lab of Ornithology: visit <http://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/mallard>

Often in small, mixed-sex flocks of as many as 16-19 birds, notable for their "synchronised swim" behaviour when diving for food. The white cheek spot and "waterline" of the males is distinctive.