

BIRD OBSERVATIONS SEYMOUR TOWNSHIP, S.E. ONTARIO

Number of days on which a species is seen each month

**Purple finch**

Data compiled 18-22 February 2022  
 Chart 1999-2021, 23 complete years, plus Jan-Feb 2022

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

Species	Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Notes
Purple finch	1998	[shaded]												0	
	1999	[shaded]												0	
	2000	[shaded]												0	
Haemorhous purpureus aka Carpodacus purpureus	2001	[shaded]												0	
	2002	[shaded]												0	Reported by third parties in 2002 or 2003
	2003	[shaded]												0	
	2004	[shaded]												0	
	2005	[shaded]												0	
	2006	[shaded]												0	
	2007	[shaded]												0	
	2008	[shaded]												0	
	2009	[shaded]												0	
	2010	[shaded]												0	
	2011	[shaded]												0	
	2012	[shaded]												0	
	2013	[shaded]												0	
	2014	[shaded]												0	
	2015	[shaded]												0	
	2016	[shaded]												2	18,25 Feb (female / male)
	2017	[shaded]												0	
	2018	[shaded]												0	
	2019	[shaded]												0	
	2020	[shaded]												3	27,28,30 Sep (F, 2F, pair)
	2021	[shaded]												1	28 Nov (pair)
	2022	2	[shaded]											2	18 Feb (pair), 21 Feb (F)
		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	8 sighting-days, 2016-2022
		0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	8	

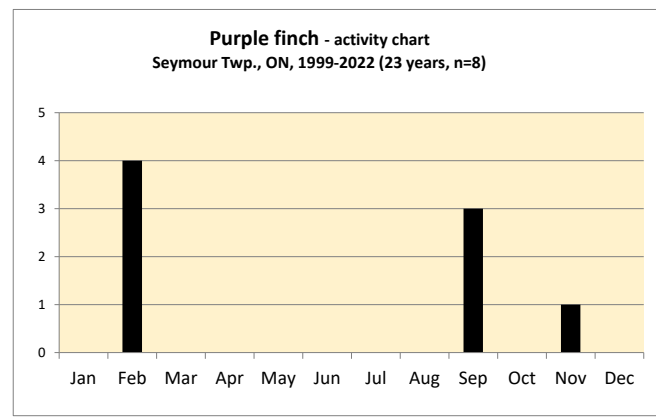
Likely PF bird strikes at home - none  
 Feeds on ground / at feeder

**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 with this species we are talking of one bird, or a pair. This is a **minimum**, as the observer was not present continuously, not observing from dawn to dusk, and not necessarily near the best feeding and roosting sites for the species.

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/Purple\\_Finch/id](http://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/Purple_Finch/id)  
 Purple finch, local summary: <http://www.turnstone.ca/pfinch.htm>

The purple finch can be distinguished from the similar but far more abundant house finch, which is a common winter visitor to feeders. Both male and female are distinct from their house finch cousins. Together with the western species of Cassin's finch, these three have been known as Carpodacus finches.