

Tally Sheet

FeederWatch ID number:	Password:	Username:
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The 2 consecutive dates of this count are _____ and _____

Bird Counts

Use the space to the right to tally the number of individuals of each species that you see simultaneously. Report your counts to Project FeederWatch at feederwatch.org (do not send in this Tally Sheet). Report only the highest number seen simultaneously—do not add your running tally together.

Species name	Highest number seen at one time
Example: House Finch 5 (12)	12 (enter this number online)

Effort

When did you watch your FeederWatch count site?

- Day 1, morning
- Day 1, afternoon
- Day 2, morning
- Day 2, afternoon

Estimate the cumulative time you watched your FeederWatch count site.

- Less than 1 hour
- 1 to 4 hours
- 4+ to 8 hours
- More than 8 hours

Snow depth

Mark the average conditions during the two-day count.

- None
- Under 5 cm (under 2")
- 5 cm to 15 cm (2" to 6")
- Over 15 cm (over 6")

Eye disease

Watch for eye disease in House Finches, Purple Finches, Evening Grosbeaks, or goldfinches and note how many birds you see with the disease at one time.

Behavior Interactions

Use the space below to note if a bird attempted to displace or depredate another bird and if the attempt was successful.

Source species	Behavior	Target species	Successful?
Example: Blue Jay	displaced	American Goldfinch	No

Helpful hints

- Under “Species name,” list the birds you see most often. Then make copies of your tally sheet.
- Print tally sheets from our website at: feederwatch.org/about/detailed-instructions/#prepare-a-tally-sheet.

Quick Instructions

1. Choose your count site

Choose a portion of your yard that is easy to monitor, typically an area that is visible from your home.

2. Choose your count days

Select two consecutive count days as often as once a week. Leave at least five days when you do not count between each of your two-day counts. (You can leave more time between counts but not less.)

3. How to count

For each species, record the maximum number of individuals visible simultaneously during the two-day count. *Do not add your counts together!*

4. What to count

Please count

- birds attracted to food or water you provided
- birds attracted to fruits or ornamental plantings
- hawks and other predatory birds that are attracted by the birds at your feeders

But do not count

- birds that simply fly over the count site
- birds seen on non-count days

5. Report your counts

Submit your data to Project FeederWatch at www.feederwatch.org. *This tally sheet is for your own record-keeping only.*

6. Describe your site

Please describe your count site by following the "describe your site" link or clicking on the "Your Count Site" button on the Your Data home page.

Find complete instructions on our website at
feederwatch.org/about/detailed-instructions.

For assistance, contact the Project FeederWatch office in your country.

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