



Wisconsin NatureMapping Newsletter

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Wisconsin NatureMapping Data From May 2011

- 340** Total NatureMapping Observations
(compared to 417 in April)
- 11** Observations/day
(compared to 13.9 in April)
- 1074** Animals observed
(compared to 2132 in April)

Top 5 Animals

Animal	# observed
Northern Spring Peepers	150
White-tailed Deer	84
American Robin	72
American Goldfinch	54
Eastern Gray Squirrel	46

NOTE: Try to enter your observations on the website before the end of each month so they can be included in our monthly calculations!



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Cope's Gray Treefrog

During these warm summer evenings many frogs can be heard singing in the nearby waterways. The Cope's gray treefrog is one of two treefrogs common to Wisconsin, the other being the Eastern gray treefrog. Though their name suggests their color to be gray, they are often green or brown. Something very distinctive about the Cope's gray treefrog is that on the back, hidden side of their thighs they have bright golden markings. They live in trees and shrubs near waterways.

June Phenology from EEK!

June is here and animals are busier than ever. Common loon chicks will be hatching and can be seen riding on their parent's backs. Roughed grouse chicks will also be hatching now and wood duck ducklings will be venturing from their treetop nest hollow down to the ground to join their mother. Bluebirds will be nesting for the second time this year. If you listen at night at water's edge you will hear the bango twang of the green frog and the sound like horse's hooves clapping along cobblestones, which is the song of the mink frog. Phenology information is from EEK! – Environmental Education for Kids, www.dnr.wi.gov/eeek/, WI DNR and the Beaver Creek Reserve calendar.

Animals Observed by Category for May 2011

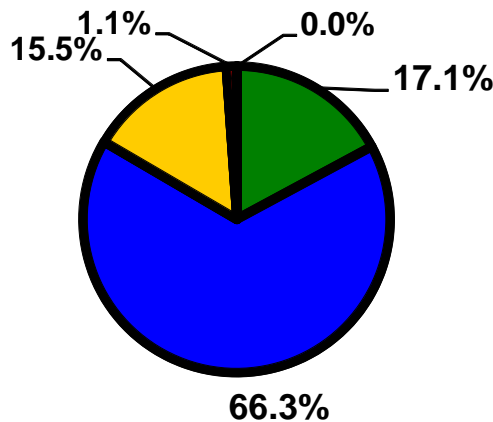
Birds – 66.3%

Mammals – 17.1%

Amphibians – 15.5%

Reptiles – 1.1%

Worms – 0.0%



What's Being Observed in Wisconsin?

- 712 Birds
- 184 Mammals
- 166 Amphibians
- 12 Reptiles
- 0 Worms