

BIRDING — BY THE — NUMBERS



A Hummingbird has about **1,500 FEATHERS**, the fewest feathers of any bird species. A Whistling Swan has approximately **25,000 FEATHERS**, the most feathers of any bird species.



Video game franchise Angry Birds® has been downloaded **2 BILLION TIMES**, across all platforms.

There are **914 WILD BIRD** species in North America.

56 MILLION Americans put out **1 BILLION POUNDS OF BIRD SEED** each year collectively. The same weight as **20,000 BRONTOSAURUSES**.

17½ YEARS OLD was the age of the oldest known wild, banded Blue Jay.

IN 1947 the first commercial hummingbird feeder, the Webster Feeder became available. It cost \$3 and was available through mail-order only. **IN 1958**, Perky-Pet® began manufacturing hummingbird feeders.

Professional sports teams named after birds have won **3 SUPER BOWLS, 16 WORLD SERIES, 9 STANLEY CUPS, AND 4 NBA CHAMPIONSHIPS**.

Sesame Street®'s Big Bird stands **8' 2" TALL**. He can roller skate, ice skate, dance, sing, write poetry, draw and even ride a unicycle.

For 21 days, **1,609,037 RED-WINGED BLACKBIRDS** were counted internationally in the 2014 Great Backyard Bird Count (the most numerous bird reported). That's almost **76,621 SIGHTINGS** a day!

The Ruby Throated Hummingbird flies for **18 HOURS** when migrating across the Gulf of Mexico. That's up to **500 MILES NON-STOP**. This is equal to the entire length of the state of Florida!

Songbirds will lay **1 EGG PER DAY** until their clutch (total number of eggs) is complete. A Ruby Throated Hummingbird lays only **2 EGGS** per clutch. A Wood Duck can lay up to **14 EGGS** per clutch - the most of any bird!

Hummingbirds consume **3.14-7.6 CALORIES** per day. If humans had the same metabolism, we'd have to consume **155,000 CALORIES** per day, the equivalent of almost **282 BIG MACS!**

21,791 POINTS, 5,695 ASSISTS AND 9,874 REBOUNDS for 3-time NBA MVP Larry Bird.

IN 1973 southern rock band Lynyrd Skynyrd debuted their signature song, Free Bird. Used as their concert finale, it is well over **14 MINUTES** when performed live.

