



Bird Sightings at New Mexico Hotspots

These data comes from eBird, a project run by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology. eBird is a community science program; the data are collected by people who record bird sightings. Anyone can use a checklist on the eBird app or website to record where and when they see birds, what species they observe, and how many they see of each species. The checklists are reviewed by experts to make sure the birds were correctly identified, and then the data are shared online. This data table shows how many bird species have been identified at nine sites around New Mexico. The sites are on public lands, such as state and national parks, where people often go to see wildlife and enjoy natural areas. They are also considered eBird hotspots because many people have recorded seeing birds there over several years. Find these data and more at <https://ebird.org/explore>.

Table 1: Total number of bird species ever recorded at nine New Mexico birding hotspots. Data obtained from eBird.org, April 2020

Hotspot	# species recorded	Habitat
Caballo Lake State Park	266	Lake
Dripping Springs Visitor Center	138	Mountains
El Malpais National Monument	310	Shrubland
Maxwell National Wildlife Refuge	176	Lake
Mesilla Valley Bosque State Park	315	River
Rio Grande Nature Center State Park	126	River
Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge	144	Shrubland
Valles Caldera National Preserve	267	Mountains
White Sands National Park	121	Sand Dunes

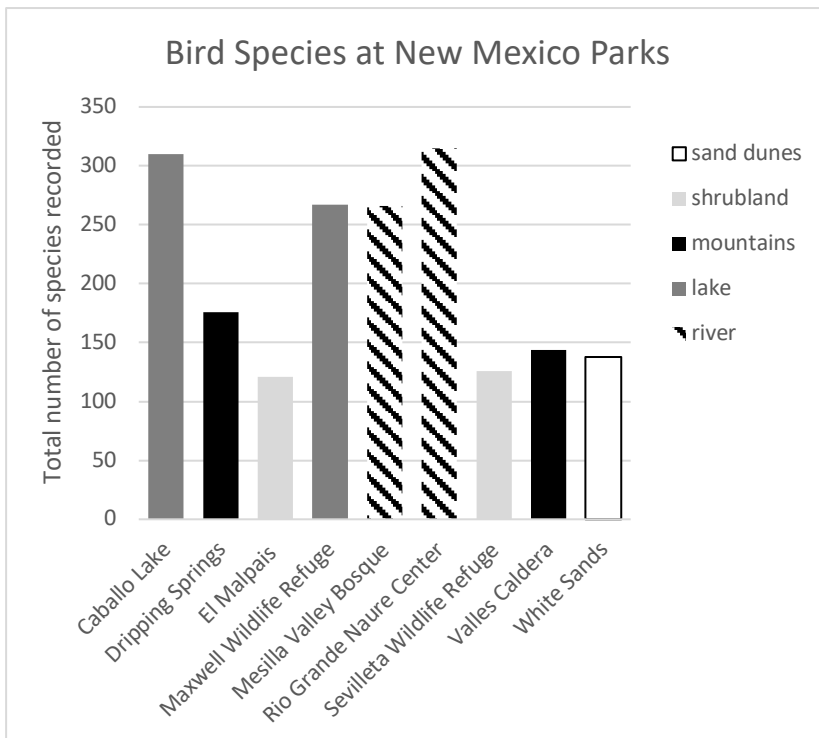


Figure 1: Map of the eBird hotspots where the data in the table and graph were collected.

