

WINTER SURVEYS OF THE WATERBIRDS OF PORT STEPHENS, 2008-2015

Shorebirds

Species	4 July 2008	27 July 2009	26 July 2010	18 July 2011	20 July 2012	12 July 2013	14 July 2014	<i>5 Aug 2015¹</i>
Beach Stone-curlew	0	0	0	2	0	4	3	<i>0</i>
Aust. Pied Oystercatcher	154	122	146	142	154	130	162	<i>73</i>
Sooty Oystercatcher	14	9	24	15	28	30	34	<i>23</i>
Pacific Golden Plover	0	0	0	0	2	3	5	<i>0</i>
Grey Plover	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<i>0</i>
Red-capped Plover	0	3	3	5	11	8	4	<i>14</i>
Double-banded Plover	0	0	0	35	37	26	30	<i>28</i>
Lesser Sand Plover	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<i>0</i>
Masked Lapwing	23	16	54	22	16	26	6	<i>17</i>
Black-tailed Godwit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<i>0</i>
Bar-tailed Godwit	354	340	424	227	122	308	115	<i>71</i>
Whimbrel	10	24	27	36	7	33	5	<i>28</i>
Eastern Curlew	52	223	14	36	40	47	5	<i>67</i>
Terek Sandpiper	11	0	0	1	0	0	0	<i>0</i>
Common Sandpiper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<i>0</i>
Grey-tailed Tattler	1	1	7	23	12	15	14	<i>24</i>
Common Greenshank	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<i>0</i>
Ruddy Turnstone	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<i>0</i>
Red-necked Stint	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	<i>0</i>
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<i>0</i>
TOTAL	619	738	696	544	429	630	384	<i>345</i>

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Other Waterbirds

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Black Swan	39	244	46	49	14	0	16	50
Aust. Wood Duck	14	2	14	0	5	23	15	10
Grey Teal	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Chestnut Teal	17	17	13	0	4	5	8	1
Pacific Black Duck	4	0	3	0	0	8	0	0
Pink-eared Duck	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Hoary-headed Grebe	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0
Little Penguin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Australasian Gannet	5	6	2	3	0	0	0	0
Australasian Darter	8	7	22	9	25	39	24	0
Little Pied Cormorant	235	183	167	211	123	298	144	152
Great Cormorant	21	10	1	7	126	43	146	60
Little Black Cormorant	73	194	33	415	62	910	179	16
Pied Cormorant	223	305	73	61	157	229	544	496
Australian Pelican	174	95	99	109	90	198	121	180
White-necked Heron	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Great Egret	18	14	6	20	8	23	16	9
Intermediate Egret	8	2	3	1	2	1	1	0
Striated Heron	2	1	2	7	2	1	0	1
White-faced Heron	104	40	40	77	128	173	47	16
Cattle Egret	1	0	30	13	5	0	0	0
Little Egret	7	11	8	12	18	15	3	0
Nankeen Night-Heron	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Australian White Ibis	104	277	47	117	5	92	55	12
Straw-necked Ibis	0	0	0	0	0	114	4	22
Royal Spoonbill	6	1	13	0	1	0	0	0
Little Tern	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gull-billed Tern	12	4	0	0	0	8	4	11
Caspian Tern	43	36	26	24	22	43	36	25
White-fronted Tern	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crested Tern	38	29	24	47	20	57	54	20
Silver Gull	165	60	75	89	78	127	232	241
TOTAL	1,324	1,539	751	1,268	895	2,429	1,650	1,322

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