

TEXAS PELAGICS SEABIRD & MARINE LIFE CHECKLIST		# OF TRIPS SEEN ON	PERCENT OF TRIPS SEEN	# of TEXAS RECORDS	# of TEXAS PELAGICS RECORDS	MARINE HABITATS	ABUNDANCE / STATUS	SEEN								
								1	2	3	4	5	6	7		
<b>PELAGIC &amp; NEARSHORE SEABIRDS</b>							<b>TEXAS PELAGIC STATUS</b>									
1	*Yellow-nosed Albatross ( <i>Thalassarche chlororhynchos</i> )	1	2%	4	1	O,P	Accidental in spring and fall									
2	*Black-capped Petrel ( <i>Pterodroma hasitata</i> )	2	3%	2	2	P	Accidental in May + July									
3	Cory's (Scopoli's) Shearwater ( <i>Calonectris diomedea</i> )	38	66%		365	O,P	Rare to fairly common in spring & summer, common in early fall									
4	Cory's Shearwater ( <i>Calonectris d. borealis</i> )					O,P	Rare to uncommon from spring to fall (??)									
5	*Great Shearwater ( <i>Puffinus gravis</i> )	6	10%	20	6	O,P	Rare to very rare visitor Jun - Dec									
6	*Sooty Shearwater ( <i>Puffinus griseus</i> )	2	3%	16	2	O,P	Very rare visitor May - Dec									
7	*Manx Shearwater ( <i>Puffinus puffinus</i> )	1	2%	8	1	N,O,P	Very rare visitor Jun - Dec									
8	Audubon's Shearwater ( <i>Puffinus lherminieri</i> )	32	55%		400	P	Fairly common to common in summer and fall									
9	*Leach's Storm-Petrel ( <i>Oceanodroma leucorhoa</i> )	19	33%	30	39	P	Uncommon in late spring - summer, becoming rare by early fall									
10	Band-rumped Storm-Petrel ( <i>Oceanodroma castro</i> )	37	64%		597	O,P	Common to fairly common in spring through early fall									
11	*Red-billed Tropicbird ( <i>Phaethon aethereus</i> )	9	16%	14	9	O,P	Rare in summer and fall									
12	Magnificent Frigatebird ( <i>Fregata magnificens</i> )	33	57%		110	I,N,O,P	Rare to uncommon in spring + fall, fairly common in summer.									
13	Masked Booby ( <i>Sula dactylatra</i> )	41	71%		130	O,P	Rare to uncommon in spring + fall, fairly common in summer.									
14	*Brown Booby ( <i>Sula leucogaster</i> )	4	7%	37	5	I,N,O,P	Rare in all seasons									
15	Northern Gannet ( <i>Morus bassanus</i> )	2	3%		2	N,O,P	Uncommon fall/winter; very rare in summer									
16	Brown Pelican ( <i>Pelecanus occidentalis</i> )	---	---	---	---	I,N	Common nearshore resident; absent offshore									
17	Red-necked Phalarope ( <i>Phalaropus lobatus</i> )	2	3%	0	2	I,N,O,P	Rare in migration / winter									
18	*Red Phalarope ( <i>Phalaropus fulicarius</i> )	0	0%	42	0	I,N,O,P	----									
19	Black-legged Kittiwake ( <i>Rissa tridactyla</i> )	0	0%		0	I,N,O,P	----									
20	Sabine's Gull ( <i>Xema sabini</i> )	2	3%		2	I,N,O,P	Rare in fall / winter									
21	Bonaparte's Gull ( <i>Chroicoleus philadelphia</i> )	0	0%		0	I,N,O	UC to Common migrant & winter res. Nearshore; Rare offshore									
22	Laughing Gull ( <i>Larus atricilla</i> )	42	72%		2930	I,N,O	Abundant year round nearshore; Locally common offshore									
23	Franklin's Gull ( <i>Larus pipixcan</i> )	3	5%		27	I,N,O	Common to UC migrant nearshore; Rare to UC offshore;									
24	Ring-billed Gull ( <i>Larus delawarensis</i> )	1	2%		1	I,N,O	Com migrant + Com to abundant winter res nearshore; Rare offshore									
25	Herring Gull ( <i>Larus argentatus</i> )	3	5%		21	I,N,O	Common migrant + winter res; Rare to UC offshore									
26	Brown Noddy ( <i>Anous stolidus</i> )	1	2%		1	N,O,P	Very rare in summer and fall									
27	Sooty Tern ( <i>Onychoprion fuscata</i> )	27	47%		845	O,P	Common in early summer to uncommon in early fall									
28	Bridled Tern ( <i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i> )	42	72%		433	O,P	Common to fairly common from spring through fall									
29	Least Tern ( <i>Sternula antillarum</i> )	10	17%		75	I,N,O	Common March-Nov. nearshore; Rare to UC offshore									
30	Gull-billed Tern ( <i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i> )	0	0%		0	I,N	Common spring- fall nearshore & inshore; Absent offshore									
31	Black Tern ( <i>Chlidonias niger</i> )	18	31%		4662	I,N,O	Uncommon to common migrant offshore									
32	Common Tern ( <i>Sterna hirundo</i> )	15	26%		589	I,N,O,P	Common fall & uncommon spring migrant offshore									
33	*Arctic Tern ( <i>Sterna paradisaea</i> )	2	3%	5	2	O,P	Very rare late spring and fall migrant									
34	Forster's Tern ( <i>Sterna forsteri</i> )	3	5%		7	I,N,O	Abundant year round nearshore; Rare to UC offshore									
35	Royal Tern ( <i>Thalasseus maxima</i> )	26	45%		1169	I,N,O	Abundant year round nearshore; Locally common offshore									
36	Sandwich Tern ( <i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i> )	19	33%		336	I,N,O	Common sum res/ UC winter res nearshore; Fairly common offshore									
37	*South Polar Skua ( <i>Stercorarius maccormicki</i> )	1	2%	1	1	O,P	Accidental in fall									
38	Pomarine Jaeger ( <i>Stercorarius pomarinus</i> )	14	24%		50	N,O,P	Rare to UC in summer, UC to fairly common in fall/ winter offshore									
39	Parasitic Jaeger ( <i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i> )	7	12%		14	N,O,P	Very rare in summer, UC to fairly common in fall/ winter offshore									

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40	*Long-tailed Jaeger ( <i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i> )	7	12%	23	7	N,O,P	Very rare to rare from fall through spring offshore								
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42															
	* TBRC Review Species														
<b>TEXAS (Undocumented on TEXAS PELAGIC)</b>							<b>TEXAS STATUS</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
1	*Stejneger's Petrel ( <i>Pterodroma longirostris</i> )	0	0%	1	0	P	Accidental: one Texas specimen record								
2	*White-chinned Petrel ( <i>Procellaria aequinoctialis</i> )	0	0%	1	0	P	Accidental: one Texas specimen record								
3	*Wilson's Storm-Petrel ( <i>Oceanites oceanicus</i> )	0	0%	1	0	P	Hypothetical TX, 8 records lack documentation.								
4	*Red-footed Booby ( <i>Sula sula</i> )	0	0%	3	0	I,N	Accidental: 3 documented Texas records								
5	*Black Noddy ( <i>Anous minutus</i> )	0	0%	3	0	N,O,P	Accidental: three Texas records								
6	*Roseate Tern ( <i>Sterna dougallii</i> )	0	0%	2	0	N,O,P	Accidental: two Texas records								
7	*Razorbill ( <i>Alca torda</i> )	0	0%	1	0	N,O,P	Accidental: one Texas sight record presumed								
<b>MARINE MAMMALS</b>							<b>GULF of MEXICO STATUS</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
1	N. Atlantic (Black) Right Whale ( <i>Eubalaena glacialis</i> )	0	0%		0	N,O,P	Very rare								
2	Bryde's Whale ( <i>Balaenoptera edeni</i> )	1	2%		1	N,O,P	Very rare								
3	Atlantic Spotted Dolphin ( <i>Stenella frontalis</i> )	23	40%		346	N,O	Common								
4	Striped Dolphin ( <i>Stenella caeruleoalba</i> )	0	0%		0	P	Uncommon								
5	Pantropical Spotted Dolphin ( <i>Stenella attenuata</i> )	5	9%		56	P	Fairly common								
6	Clymene Spinner Dolphin ( <i>Stenella clymene</i> )	2	3%		42	P	Very rare								
7	Spinner Dolphin ( <i>Stenella longirostris</i> )	1	2%		8	P	Uncommon								
8	Rough-Toothed Dolphin ( <i>Steno bredanensis</i> )	1	2%		40	P	Uncommon								
9	Bottlenose Dolphin - PELAGIC ( <i>Tursiops truncatus</i> )	27	47%		460	O,P	Common								
10	Bottlenose Dolphin - INSHORE ( <i>Tursiops truncatus</i> )	11	19%		129	I,N	Common								
11	Fraser's Dolphin ( <i>Lagenodelphis hosei</i> )	0	0%		0	P	Very rare								
12	Pygmy Killer Whale ( <i>Feresa attenuata</i> )	0	0%		0	P	Very rare								
13	Orca ( <i>Orcinus orca</i> )	0	0%		0	P	Very rare								
14	Risso's Dolphin / Grampus ( <i>Grampus griseus</i> )	1	2%		10	P	Uncommon								
15	Short-Finned Pilot Whale ( <i>Globicephala macrorhyncha</i> )	4	7%		184	P	Uncommon								
16	Melon-headed Whale ( <i>Peponocephala electra</i> )	1	2%		250	P	Uncommon								
17	Sperm Whale ( <i>Physeter macrocephalus</i> )	4	7%		38	P	Uncommon								
18	Pygmy Sperm Whale ( <i>Kogia breviceps</i> )	1	2%		1	P	Very rare								
19	Dwarf Sperm Whale ( <i>Kogia simus</i> )	0	0%		0	P	Very rare								
20	Cuvier's Beaked Whale ( <i>Ziphius cavirostris</i> )	0	0%		0	P	Very rare								
21	Blainville's Beaked Whale ( <i>Mesoplodon densirostris</i> )	0	0%		0	P	Very rare								
22	Gervais' Beaked Whale ( <i>Mesoplodon europaeus</i> )	0	0%		0	P	Very rare								
23	Mesoplodon sp. Beaked whale	2	3%		3	P	Very rare								
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<b>SEA TURTLES</b>								1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

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1	Loggerhead ( <i>Caretta caretta</i> )																
2	Atlantic Kemp's Ridley ( <i>Lepidochelys kempii</i> )																
3	Leatherback ( <i>Dermochelys coriacea</i> )																
4	Green Turtle ( <i>Chelonia mydas</i> )																
5	Hawksbill ( <i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i> )																
6	Sea turtle sp.																
<b>FISH</b>								1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
1	Whale shark ( <i>Rhincodon typus</i> )	9	16%		24	P	Rare - Fairly Common										
2	Black-tipped Shark																
3	Hammerhead Shark																
4	Atlantic Sharpnose Shark ( <i>Rhizoprionodon terraenovae</i> )																
5	unid shark																
6	Manta Ray																
7	Mola-mola																
8	Blue-finned Tuna																
9	Black-finned Tuna school																
10	Yellow-finned Tuna school																
11	Bonita school																
12	Ling																
13	Mahi mahi																
14	Flying Fish																
15	Marlin																
16	Sailfish																
17	unid billfish																
18	Tripletail																
19	Baitfish Ball																
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<b>OTHERS</b>								1	2	3	4	5	6	7			
1						MH	MARINE HABITAT										
2						I	Inshore Species: inside the barrier islands, bays										
3						N	Nearshore Species: < 5miles offshore										
4						O	Offshore Species: from > 5 miles to shelf edge										
5						P	Pelagic Species: beyond the shelf edge in pelagic waters										
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