

February 16, 2024
Kentucky Sandhill Crane Survey

This is the Sandhill Crane ground count survey for the week of February 12 – February 16, 2024.

This is the last survey of the year for Barren River Lake. The Barren River Lake and Hardin County surveys were conducted most weeks this winter. Early this week we had mild and sunny weather leading into some colder temperatures at the end of the week and anticipating another rise for next week.

The Kentucky 2023-24 Sandhill Crane season opened December 7, 2023, and closed January 31, 2024. This is concurrent with the second segment of duck season.

Location	Number	Comments
Barren River Lake WMA <i>02/14/2024</i>	574 Sandhill cranes	Thousands of cranes flying in waves heading NW. Lake rising rapidly. Lake level: 536.1"
Hardin County <i>02/14/2024</i>	2,723 Sandhill cranes	Roost full of water and flooding in some fields where feeding.