

January 31, 2025 Kentucky Sandhill Crane Survey

This is the Sandhill Crane ground count survey for the week of January 27-31, 2025.

The Kentucky 2024-25 Sandhill Crane season opened December 7, 2024 and is open until January 31, 2025. This is concurrent with the second segment of duck season. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable time afield.

Location	Number	Comments
Barren River Lake WMA <i>1/29/2025</i>	1,903 cranes	1,717 in SCBC and 186 in PC. Cranes in the woods in cove above Beaver Creek Boat Ramp, many flocks flying SE outside counting range. Flocks have been flying north since last week. Lake 528.5(0.5) down 0.2ft. in the last 24 hours. 0.0 inches of rain last 24 hours. Lake being drained slow(179CFS).
Hardin County (Cecilia) <i>1/28/2025</i>	204 cranes	Surveyed cranes as they were coming off the roost in the morning. Birds didn't start to move until well after sunrise when temps reached above freezing. Observed most cranes east of and along CR 1375.