

January 12, 2026
Kentucky Sandhill Crane Survey

This is the Sandhill Crane ground count survey for the week of January 12-16, 2026.

The Kentucky 2025-26 Sandhill Crane season opened December 7, 2025 and is open until January 31, 2026. 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>1/12/2026</i>	2926	2926 in Skaggs Creek/ Beaver Creek, 0 in Peters Creek, 0 in Walnut Creek. Saw a few flocks flying around. Several eagles, few boats and bank fisherman. Cranes partially roosted up in woods near Indian Point subdivision. Lake 528.4(0.4) down 0.1ft. in the last 24 hours. 0.3 inches of rain last 24 hours. Lake being drained slow(404CFS).
Hardin County <i>Not surveyed</i>		