

**March 12, 2019**  
**Kentucky Sandhill Crane Survey**

This is the Sandhill crane ground count survey for March 12, 2019. Roost sites in Hardin County are seeing decreasing numbers of birds each week. On 3/12, less than 800 birds were counted leaving roost sites and loafing in the area. There are still some pools of standing water in the area, but most areas are slowly drying out, and there are plenty of harvested crop fields open for the cranes.

The Kentucky 2018-19 Sandhill crane season opened Monday, December 3, and ran to Sunday, January 27. It was a slower season with only 60 birds harvested, but there is still opportunity for birdwatchers to see these wonderful birds.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Barren River Lake WMA	N/A	Lake level (3/12): 579.53'
Hardin County	762 Sandhill Cranes	