

January 22, 2021
Kentucky Sandhill Crane Survey

This is the Sandhill crane ground count survey for January 22th, 2021. Barren River Lake is still above winter pool at 528.2 (~3ft above winter pool). The roost sites in Hardin County are producing good amounts of birds with the largest groups of birds being spotted while feeding. Overall the habitat conditions look good.

The Kentucky 2020-21 Sandhill crane season opened Monday, December 7, and runs to Sunday, January 31. This is concurrent with the second segment of duck season.

Location	Number	Comments
Barren River Lake WMA	716 Sandhill Cranes	Lake level (1/19): 528.2 and falling. Some disturbances caused cranes to enter the roost sites later than usual.
Hardin County	112 Sandhill Cranes	Not a lot of birds roosting in the area this week with the largest groups of birds still being spotted while feeding. Overall habitat conditions look good.