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Count Name:	Vieques	Count Code:	PRVQ	Count Date:	12/30/2023
Organizations &	A special thanks to	# of Party Hours:	26.55	Species reported on	72
Sponsors:	the Vieques National			count date:	
	Wildlife Refuge				
	(VNWR), the U.S. Fish				
	and Wildlife Service,				
	the Municipality of				
	Vieques, Para la				
	Naturaleza, the				
	Vieques Conservation				
	and Historical Trust				
	(VCHT), and the				
	Sociedad Ornitológica				
	Puertorriqueña Inc.				
	We appreciate you!				

### Compiler(s)

First Name	Last Name	Email	Is Primary Compiler
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#### **Start & End Times**

Start time	End time
06:00 AM	06:00 PM

### **Effort**

<b>Observers</b>					
In Field	Total Number:	18			
	Minimum Number of Parties (daylight):	10			
	Maximum Number of Parties (daylight):	10			
At Feeders	Total Number:	5			

Party Hours and Distance (excludes viewing at feeders and nocturnal birding)						
Ву	Hours	Distance	Units			
Foot	23.23	10.72	Miles			
Car	3.32	9.66	Miles			
Air						
All-Terrain Vehicle						
Bicycle						
Dog Sled						
Golfcart						
Horseback						
Motorized Boat						

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Non-Motorized Boat		
Skis/Xc-Skis		
Snowmachine		
Snowshoe		
Wheelchair		

Other Time and Distance						
	Hours	Distance	Units			
At Feeders	14.13					
Nocturnal Birding	0.00	0.00				
Total Party	26.55	20.38	Miles			

#### **Weather**

Minimum:	78.0 Fahrenheit	Maximum:	84.0 Fahrenheit
East			
Minimum:	2.00 Miles/hour	Maximum:	6.00 Miles/hour
Minimum:	0.00 Inches	Maximum:	0.00 Inches
Open			
Open			
	East Minimum: Minimum: Open	Minimum: 2.00 Miles/hour Minimum: 0.00 Inches Open	East  Minimum: 2.00 Miles/hour Maximum:  Minimum: 0.00 Inches Maximum:  Open

	AM and PM Conditions							
Cloud Cover	AM: Partly Cloudy	PM: Partly Cloudy						
AM Rain	None							
AM Snow	None							
PM Rain	None							
PM Snow	None							

#### Checklist

Species	Number or cw	Flags	Max Number	# Of Counts	Editor Comm.
Blue-winged Teal	25		25/124	2	
White-cheeked Pintail	19		37/123	2	
Least Grebe	4		4/124	2	
Magnificent Frigatebird	7		9/123	2	
Brown Pelican	66		66/124	4	
Great Blue Heron	18		18/124	2	
Great Egret	190		190/124	4	
Snowy Egret	46		46/124	2	
Little Blue Heron	14		15/123	2	

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Tricolored Heron	9	9/124	4	
Cattle Egret	77	82/123	4	
Green Heron	5	5/124	4	
Black-crowned Night- Heron	1	1/124	1	
Yellow-crowned Night- Heron	1	2/123	2	
Osprey	2	8/123	4	
Red-tailed Hawk	3	4/117	4	
Clapper Rail	7	7/124	2	
Common Gallinule	3	8/123	4	
Black-necked Stilt	108	173/123	4	
Black-bellied Plover	20	20/124	2	
Wilson's Plover	4	24/123	4	
Semipalmated Plover	184	184/124	4	
Spotted Sandpiper	6	6/124	4	
Greater Yellowlegs	2	6/117	4	
Lesser Yellowlegs	68	68/124	4	
Greater/Lesser Yellowlegs	5	16/123	2	
Whimbrel	1	1/124	1	
Ruddy Turnstone	5	22/123	4	
Stilt Sandpiper	602	602/124	2	
Semipalmated Sandpiper	2	84/123	2	
peep sp.	2	260/123	2	
Short-billed Dowitcher	29	80/123	2	
shorebird sp.	7	7/124	1	
Royal Tern	26	26/124	1	
Rock Pigeon (Feral Pigeon)	41	41/124	5	
Scaly-naped Pigeon	1	13/123	4	
Eurasian Collared-Dove	4	4/124	1	
Common Ground-Dove	25	25/124	4	
Key West Quail-Dove	3	3/124	1	
Bridled Quail-Dove	2	4/123	3	
White-winged Dove	8	8/124	4	
Zenaida Dove	11	14/123	4	
Mourning Dove	9	9/124	2	
Mangrove Cuckoo	16	17/117	4	
Smooth-billed Ani	19	19/124	4	
Green-throated Carib	5	5/124	4	

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Antillean Crested Hummingbird	4	25/117	4	
Belted Kingfisher	7	10/123	2	
Puerto Rican Woodpecker	9	9/124	4	
American Kestrel	3	3/124	4	
Merlin	1	2/117	3	
Caribbean Elaenia	18	41/117	4	
Puerto Rican Flycatcher	4	4/124	4	
Gray Kingbird	78	78/124	4	
Loggerhead Kingbird	12	18/117	4	
Yellow-throated Vireo	1	1/124	1	
Bank Swallow	3	3/124	2	
swallow sp.	6	6/124	1	
Pearly-eyed Thrasher	11	13/123	4	
Northern Mockingbird	28	28/124	4	
Northern Waterthrush	3	25/117	3	
Black-and-white Warbler	1	11/117	4	
Common Yellowthroat	1	1/124	3	
American Redstart	9	16/117	4	
Cape May Warbler	2	2/124	1	
Northern Parula	3	20/117	4	
Yellow Warbler	17	21/117	4	
Prairie Warbler	2	8/117	4	
Adelaide's Warbler	33	40/123	4	
Bananaquit	66	66/124	4	
Yellow-faced Grassquit	3	3/124	3	
Black-faced Grassquit	12	14/117	4	
Greater Antillean Grackle	8	40/117	4	
House Sparrow	40	100/123	2	
Scaly-breasted Munia	13	13/124	3	
Total Individuals	2110			
Total Species Reported	72			

cw = Reported count week

US = Flagged as an unusual species

HC = Flagged as an unusually high count

LC = Flagged as an unusually low count

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#### **Special Aspects**

NOTE #1 - The CBC website would not allow us to rename the "Cattle Egret" (Bubulcus ibis) to the Western Cattle Egret (Bubulcus ibis).

NOTE #2 - We had a smaller field team this year, with several last minute no shows due to conflicts and illness. The 124th CBC was the third one to take place in Vieques (124, 123, and 117, which was an "exploratory" CBC according to Ana Pazos from SOPI). The biggest challenge (in additional to the small team and depth of field when it comes to experience, including the CBC complier) was a lack of clarity about routes and locations, which we can work on, and a lack of training and/or experience to maximize the use of eBird. Vieques is an unusual place to bird (small in size and small in people population), difficult to get to (via plane or ferry), with some complicated routes and locations. While data from multiple platforms (eBird, PR-->Antigua, paper and pencil, screen shots, etc.) is workable, it makes for a lot of extra work. We are thankful for the Audubon CBC website, but find some of the directions to be somewhat confusing and contradictory. For instance, the "Effort" data collection component is especially cumbersome. Regardless, just hosting a CBC in Vieques (and submitting reliable data) is considered to be a success for our community and sponsors (i.e., partners), and in time we will only get better and better. A special thanks to our partners (both officially and by default), the VCHT Birding Team, Mark Martin from the VCHT, and Daphne Gemmill, who is not only an amazing birder but a great mentor!