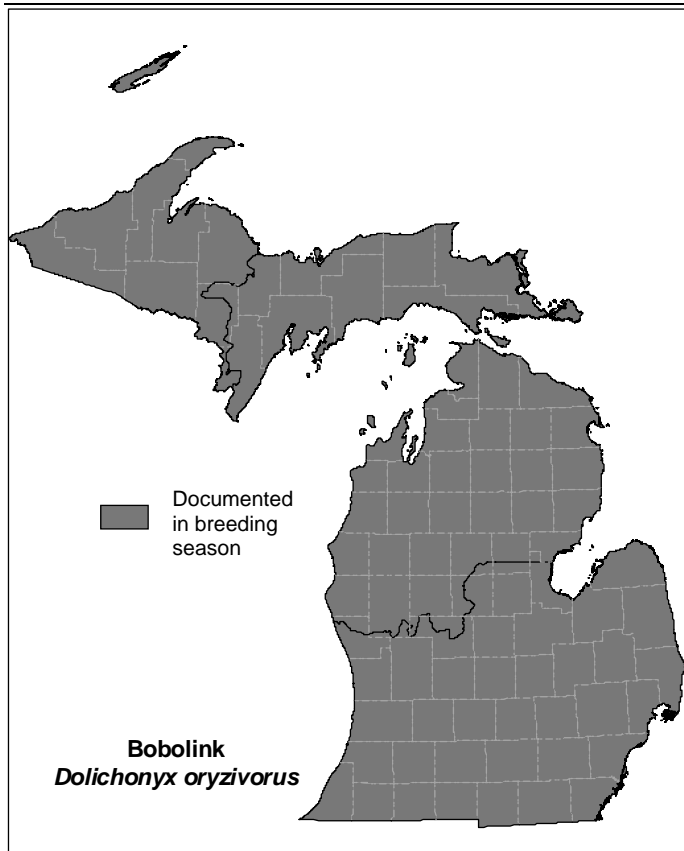


# BIRDS



## Bobolink

*(Dolichonyx oryzivorus)*

**DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE:** Bobolinks are common throughout the Lower Peninsula and may be found regularly in the Upper Peninsula where suitable habitat exists. BBS data indicate a declining population trend.

**ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES:** prairie; idle/old field; hayland; pasture; savanna; inland emergent wetland; fen; ephemeral wetland

**ASSOCIATED THREATS:** altered fire regime; fragmentation; grazing & mowing patterns; invasive plants & animals

**COMMENTS:** Nest parasitism by Cowbirds (*Molothrus ater*) may be significant.