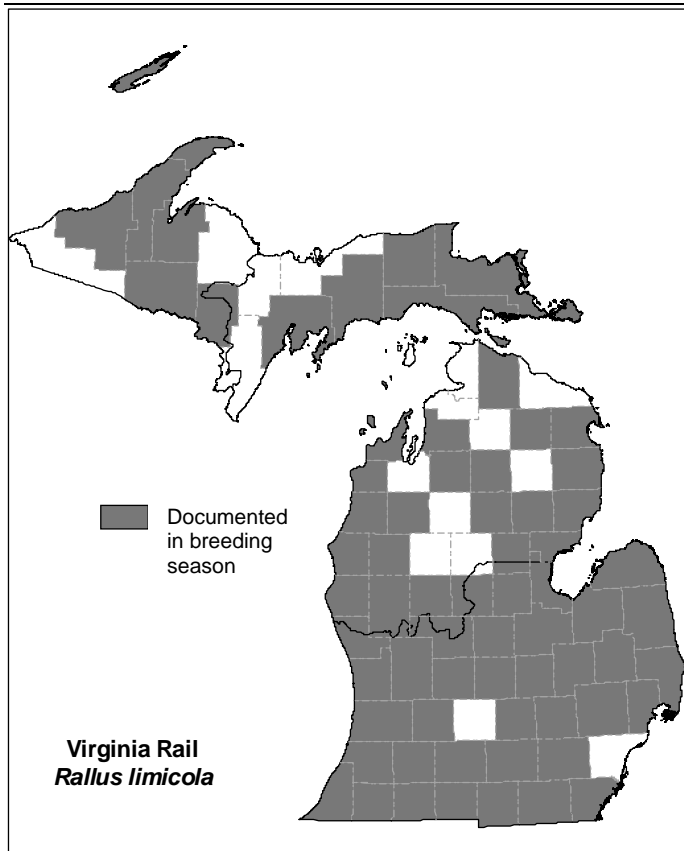


# BIRDS



## Virginia Rail

(*Rallus limicola*)

**DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE:** The Virginia Rail is most common in the Southern Lower Peninsula with scattered local populations. It is uncommon in the Northern Lower Peninsula and rare in the Upper Peninsula. Population declines have been observed since the mid-1900s.

**ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES:** bog; inland emergent wetland; fen

**ASSOCIATED THREATS:** lack of scientific knowledge; wetland modifications