

Habitat Model for Species: Dickcissel

Alpha Code: **DICK** Status: **Breeding**

[Distribution Map](#)

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Landcover Category

0 - Comments

Dechant et al., 1999

Habitat Restrictions

Fretwell, 1986
Meanley, 1963
Bent, 1968
Wiens, 1985

Zimmerman, 1983
Herkert, 1994
Bryan and Best, 1994

Johnson and Igl, 1995

Ratzlaff, 1989
Gabrielson, 1914

Stewart, 1975

The South Dakota Ornithologists' Union, 1991

Zimmerman, 1987
Zimmerman, 1984
Finck, 1984
Zimmerman, 1981
Johnsgard, 1979
Blankespoor, 1970

Zimmerman and Finck, 1982

Zimmerman, 1993

Comments

Suitable habitat found in old fields, hayfields, fence rows, hedgerows, rights-of-way, planted cover (CRP fields and dense nesting cover), and moderately grazed and idle prairie. In Nebraska, occasionally nest in roadside ditches, fencerows and grassed w

Nesting in meadows and along roadsides.
Nest in meadows, along roadsides and in hedge
Select old-field habitat for nesting over prairie habitats. In OK, prefer grazed grassland.
In KS, nesting in old fields and grazed prairie.

In IA, nesting in waterways near agricultural habitats such as fence rows road-side ditches and terraces. Most commonly used alfalfa in waterways, but also used corn or soybean fields. Most water ways were planted to *Bromus inermis*.

In ND, breeding in CRP lands: planted to mixture of grasses and legumes. Johnson and Schwartz reported that the most common species include: *Medicago sativa*, *Andropogon cristatum* and *Bromus*

In OK, nesting in *Maclura pomifera* along roadsides.
In IA, nesting on farms with surrounding prairie in native grasses used as hay or pasture or under cultivation as corn, oats or clover. Nesting along fences and in weeds in small grain fields.

In ND, breeding habitat includes alfalfa hay fields. Also frequent sweet clover fields and in weedy cropland fields that have been temporarily retired from agriculture. Occasionally found breeding in ungrazed tracts of prairie grassland and contain scat
In SD, found in native prairies, clover, alfalfa and weedy fields.

In KS, density higher in old fields than in prairie.
In KS, nesting in weedy old fields and prairie sites.
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In KS, nesting in waterways, below and on either side of an impoundment, and also nesting in sweet clover (*Melilotus alba* and *M. officinalis*) and in wheat stubble areas: weeds, *Bromus*, *Ambrosia*, *Helianthus* and *Convolvulus*.

In KS, nesting in *Andropogon-Panicum-Sorghastrum* Prairie, but more abundant in old fields and ungrazed grasslands.

In KS, on the Konza Prairie, found nesting in attenuated gallery forest with bur oak and chinquapin oak as codominants and elm and redbud as subdominants. Also nesting in grassland communities dominated by big bluestem.

17 - Tallgrass Prairie

Harmeson, 1974
Dechant et al., 1999
Fretwell, 1986
Easterla, 1962
Herkert, 1994
Bryan and Best, 1994
Steigman, 1993
Stewart, 1975
The South Dakota Ornithologists' Union, 1991
Winter, 1999
Swengel, 1996
Zimmerman, 1987
Finck, 1984
Johnsgard, 1979
Blankespoor, 1970
Zimmerman and Finck, 1982
Zimmerman, 1993

18 - Sand Prairie

Meanley, 1963
Bryan and Best, 1994
Stewart, 1975
Overmire, 1962
The South Dakota Ornithologists' Union, 1991

19 - Sandstone Prairie - not mapped

Easterla, 1962
Steigman, 1993
Zimmerman and Finck, 1982

22 - Mixed Prairie

Bryan and Best, 1994
Steigman, 1993
Stewart, 1975
Overmire, 1962
Platt, 1975
Finck, 1984
Blankespoor, 1970

25 - Shortgrass Prairie

Dechant et al., 1999

40 - Non-native Grassland

Dechant et al., 1999
Fretwell, 1986
Patterson and Best, 1996
Wiens, 1985
Easterla, 1962
Zimmerman, 1983
Herkert, 1994
Bryan and Best, 1994
Johnson and Igl, 1995
Gabrielson, 1914
Stewart, 1975
The South Dakota Ornithologists' Union, 1991
Zimmerman and Tatschl, 1975
Swanson, 1996
Gross, 1921
Zimmerman, 1987
Zimmerman, 1984
Zimmerman, 1981
Johnsgard, 1979
Blankespoor, 1970
Zimmerman and Finck, 1982

41 - CRP

Harmeson, 1974
Dechant et al., 1999
Patterson and Best, 1996
Bent, 1968
Wiens, 1985
Easterla, 1962
Zimmerman, 1983
Herkert, 1994
Bryan and Best, 1994
Johnson and Igl, 1995
Gabrielson, 1914
Steigman, 1993
Stewart, 1975
The South Dakota Ornithologists' Union, 1991
Swanson, 1996
Gross, 1921
Klute and Robel, 1997
Zimmerman, 1984
Finck, 1984
Zimmerman, 1981
Johnsgard, 1979
Blankespoor, 1970
Zimmerman and Finck, 1982
Zimmerman, 1993

60 - Mixed Prairie-Disturbed

Land

Dechant et al., 1999
Fretwell, 1986
Patterson and Best, 1996
Bent, 1968
Zimmerman, 1983
Herkert, 1994
Bryan and Best, 1994
Johnson and Igl, 1995
Berry, 1961
Blankespoor, 1970

71 - Weedy Upland

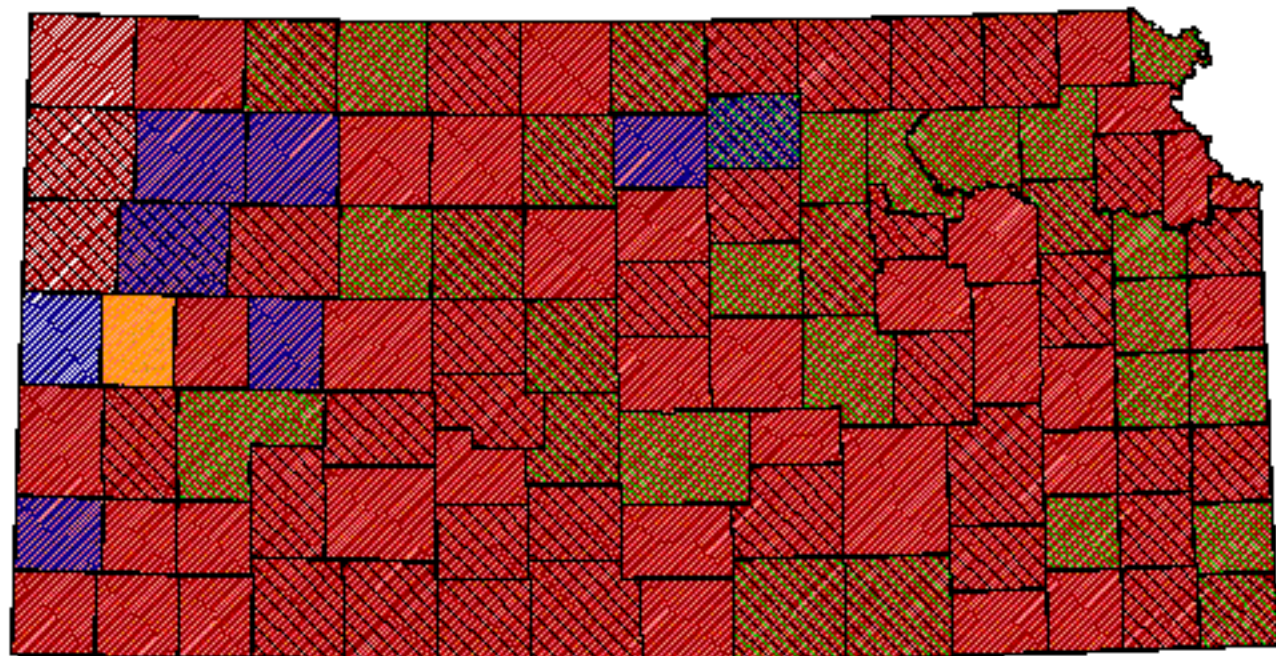
Zimmerman, 1971
Zimmerman and Tatschl, 1975

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Kansas Breeding Bird Atlas


 Confirmed Breeding

 Probable Breeding

 Possible Breeding

 Breeding Bird Survey

 *Birds of Kansas,
Horned Lark*

 Range from Johnsgard, 1998
The Birds of Nebraska

Habitat

All shaded counties will be included in the possible distribution of the species.

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