

Yellow-throated Vireo *Vireo flavifrons*

The Yellow-throated Vireo is a rare vagrant from the eastern United States, more frequent in California in spring than in fall. San Diego County seems to have got less than its fair share; though there have been at least 90 well-supported records in California, 1963–2003, only six are from San Diego County.

Migration: Two of San Diego County's Yellow-throated Vireos have occurred in fall, both in Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery, Point Loma (S7): one photographed 13–20 November 1985 (M. and D. Hastings, Bevier 1990), another 19 October 2002 (P. A. Ginsburg, Cole and McCaskie 2004). One in spring was also at Point Loma, 17 May 1992 (G. L. Rogers, Heindel and Patten 1996). One was singing from willows and coast live oaks along old Highway 80 in Pine Valley (P21) 11–16 June 2001 (M. B. Mulrooney; Garrett and Wilson 2003), and another was along the San Diego River just below Old Mission Dam (P11) 20–21 June 2001 (T. Pepper, G. McCaskie).



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Winter: One in Greenwood Cemetery (S10) 11 December 2003–7 January 2004 (J. O. Zimmer) was only the third Yellow-throated Vireo reported wintering in California.