

Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas
Sept 23, 1974

When viewing city from museum office, the trees are predominantly dark green^{50%} but with ~~lots~~ yellows and yellowish greens^{49%} nearly equal to dark summer greens. Occasionally a bright yellow tree^{.1%} stands out. There are no red trees showing.

The last week has been one of great ~~numbers~~ ^{flocks} of mixed red-wings, grackles^{cowbirds} and starling. Some groups are pure in species kind. They are forming long lines of birds, some requiring as many as 4 or 5 minutes to pass by.

Oct 1, 1974

Colors have been relatively stabilized since Sept. 23. There is more yellow^{5%}, some intense and only a slight increase in red and these reds are not intense. I would estimate the reds are 1% of color when city view from office in day. The native deciduous forests started good color long before the city trees and are now in good color with considerable reds, yellows and greenish yellows. green 40%
greenish-yellow 54%

Lake View, Douglas Co., Kansas
Oct 1, 1974

Shortly after sundown a bat (big brown bat) fed along shoreline at edge of trees. One plump looking duck arrived and called in a voice I have never heard before. Bull frog still active. Caught 8 crappie and 2 green sunfish. Water pulling away from rocky shoreline (NW end lake).

Lawrence, Douglas Co., Douglas Co., Kansas
Oct 2, 1974

Chimney swifts still in area.

Leaves of trees much the same as Oct 1 but approximately 7% red color now.

Slight increase in yellow and some yellows turning to golden. The drought this summer killed some trees and in other trees the individual leaves turned color while the remainder of the tree was in good greens. Some trees (elm) have ends of branches colored only. Other trees show change of color in parts of the tree while the remainder of the tree is in green. Trees in country are changing earlier and more in synchrony than in city as if they did not suffer from drought as much as in city.