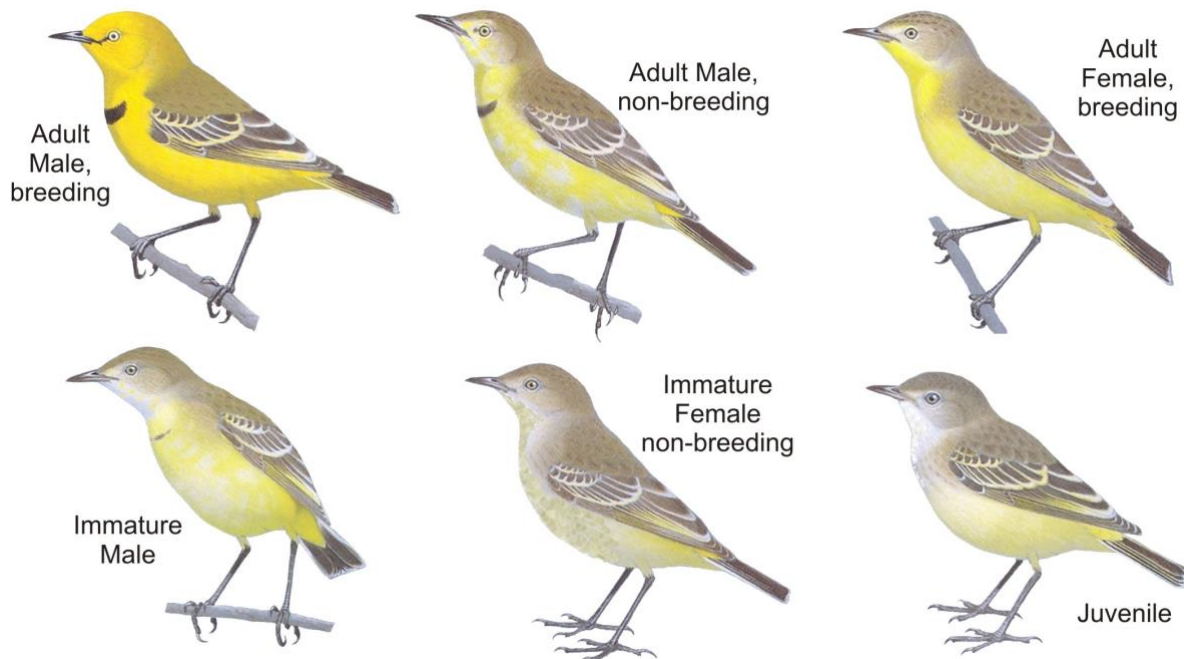


Yellow Chat *Ephthianura crocea*

Species No.: 451

Band size: 01 AY



Morphometrics:

Three subspecies recognised as follows:

	nominate <i>E.c. crocea</i> (n.WA, n-w inland NT, w. Qld, n-e SA & n-w NSW)		ssp. <i>E.c. tunneyi</i> (coastal plains w. Arnhem Land, NT)	
	Adult Male	Adult Female	Adult Male	Adult Female
THL:	28.8 – 30.5 mm	29.0 – 29.7 mm		
Wing:	57 – 63 mm	55 – 60 mm	58 – 62 mm	56 – 62 mm
Tail:	35 – 42 mm	35 – 41 mm	38 – 41 mm	35 – 36 mm
Bill:	12.7 – 14.7 mm	12.2 – 13.6 mm	11.6 – 14.0 mm	13.2 – 13.7 mm
Tarsus:	15.9 – 18.6 mm	16.4 – 17.7 mm	16.8 – 17.3 mm	16.5 mm (2)
Weight:	7.0 – 10.4 g	7.0 – 11.0 g	9.0 – 9.5 mm	9.0 – 10.0 mm

Ssp. *E.c. macgregori* (lower Dawson-Mackenzie Basin, central e. Qld) – possibly extinct.

Ageing:

	Adult Male (1+)	Adult Female (1+)	Juvenile
Bill, nasal groove:	black or grey-black;	dark grey with light grey or pinkish brown base;	light yellow grey;
Gape:	grey-black;	greyish or off-white;	pale yellow
Iris:	cream or light brown-grey or white or creamy grey;	as for AM;	greyish grading to cream toward edge;
Alula tip:	pointed;	pointed;	rounded;

General plumage – see illustrations;

Immatures are distinguishable from adults of both sexes;

Immatures attain adult plumage at about one year old, thus age Immatures (1) and Adults (1+); Adult males, and probably females undergo a complete post-breeding moult to non-breeding plumage, followed by a partial moult back into breeding plumage in late Winter

Sexing:

Sexually dimorphic on plumage – see illustrations