Longevity record for an Ovenbird: eight years.—On 28 May 1971 a banded (69-67006) Ovenbird (Sciurus aurocapillus) was captured in our nets at Hutcheson Memorial Forest (formerly known as Mettlar's Woods), Somerset County, New Jersey. The 63-acre mature oak forest is a well developed climax, where summer netting programs have been conducted during most of the last ten years. The Ovenbird is the most common breeding species of the forest (Swinebroad, Bull. N. J. Acad. Sci., 7: 1-6, 1962). The captured bird had been banded at the woods seven years previously on 27 May 1964 by Jeff Swinebroad, and it was at least one year old when banded (adult male). Dr. Swinebroad's netting program recaptured this individual in 1964 (twice), 1965 (five times), and 1967 (once). A five-year-old Ovenbird was reported by Taylor and Anderson (Bird-Banding, 42: 221, 1971), but the present eight-year-old bird is apparently a record, which must closely approach the maximum longevity of this longdistance nigrant.—John Kenny and Charles F. Leck, Department of Zoology, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903. Received 11 April 1972, accepted 20 April 1972.

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