



SUCCESS RATES OF CLUTCHES AND BROODS

AT WILD BALD EAGLE NESTS, 2006-2020

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Table 2 drills down more deeply into the **clutches of eggs and broods of eaglets [at the nests observed](#)**, showing the **number of clutches of each nest size (1 egg, 2 eggs, etc.)** each year, the **number of clutches with hatched eggs in each nest size**, and the **number of broods with fledged eaglets in each nest size**. The first page of the table gives numbers for clutches of eggs, which includes **[second clutches](#)**. The second page gives numbers for broods of eaglets and fledges.

The figures in the table refer to the **number of clutches or broods** of a particular size (1-hatch or 1-**[fledge](#)** clutches, 2-**[egg](#)** or 2-**[fledge](#)** clutches, etc.), **not to numbers of individual eggs, chicks, or fledges**, which are tallied in **[Table 1](#)**. Percentages illustrate the degree of success of a **[clutch](#)** or **[brood](#)**.

I use the term “**successful**” in reference to a **[clutch](#)** in which **at least one egg hatched** and to a **[brood](#)** in which **at least one egg hatched and at least one eaglet fledged**. An **unsuccessful clutch** is one in which **no eggs hatched**, and an **unsuccessful brood** is one in which **no eaglets fledged**.

I use the term “**perfect**” in reference to a **[clutch](#)** in which **all eggs hatched** and to a **[brood](#)** in which **all eggs hatched and all eaglets fledged**. Perfect clutches and broods are **highlighted in orange**.

TABLE 2

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		NUMBER OF CLUTCHES WITH 1, 2, 3, 4, OR 5 EGGS																	
		A "perfect" clutch is one where all eggs hatched. A "perfect" brood is one where all eaglets fledged. Highlighted in orange.																	
		A "successful" clutch is one where at least one egg hatched. A "successful" brood is one where at least one eaglet fledged. Highlighted in orange.																	
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