

**TABLE 6  
FAILED BROODS OF NESTLINGS  
AT WILD BALD EAGLE NESTS, 2006-2020**

| YEAR                               | 1-EGG BROODS FAILED, CAUSE | NESTLINGS | 2-EGG BROODS FAILED, CAUSE  | NESTLINGS   | 3-EGG BROODS FAILED, CAUSE | NESTLINGS | TOTAL BROODS, ALL NESTS | FAILED BROODS | TOTAL NESTLINGS, ALL NESTS | TOTAL NESTLINGS LOST | NESTLINGS LOST IN FAILED BROODS |             |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|---|-------------|----------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| 2006                               |                            |           |   |             |                            |           | 5                       | 0             | 8                          |                      | 0                               |             |
| 2007                               |                            |           | ME br1, weather   | 2           | WV shp, weather            | 1         | 13                      | 2             | 22                         | 3                    | 3                               |             |
| 2008                               |                            |           |   |             |                            |           | 15                      | 0             | 30                         | 2                    | 0                               |             |
| 2009                               |                            |           | CA zPH, unknown   | 2           | CO fsv, weather            | 3         | 19                      | 2             | 41                         | 8                    | 5                               |             |
| 2010                               |                            |           | BC hrn, aspergillosis   | 1           | OK snr, fell from nest     | 2         | 18                      | 2             | 34                         | 4                    | 3                               |             |
| 2011                               | WV shp, BAEA intruder      | 1         |   |             |                            |           | 21                      | 1             | 46                         | 3                    | 1                               |             |
| 2012                               |                            |           | MD blk, BAEA predated<br>IL umr, fell from nest<br>CA cTH, 1 unknown,<br>1 fox predated | 2<br>2<br>2 | CO fsv, weather            | 3         | 23                      | 4             | 52                         | 15                   | 9                               |             |
| 2013                               |                            |           |   |             | CA trt, BAEA predated      | 2         | 23                      | 1             | 50                         | 10                   | 2                               |             |
| 2014                               |                            |           | NC jor, weather, nest fell<br>WI val, 1 GHOW predated,<br>1 black flies                 | 2<br>2      |                            |           | 25                      | 2             | 52                         | 12                   | 4                               |             |
| 2015                               |                            |           | CA cWE, acute septicemia<br>VA riv, unknown   | 1<br>1      | MD blk, unknown            | 2         | 21                      | 3             | 43                         | 9                    | 4                               |             |
| 2016                               |                            |           | PA han, unknown   | 1           | CO fsv, weather            | 3         | 30                      | 2             | 62                         | 10                   | 4                               |             |
| 2017                               |                            |           | WV shp, unknown<br>CA trt clutch 2, fell<br>BC hrn, unknown                             | 2<br>1<br>1 | MN bnd, weather?           | 3         | 35                      | 4             | 66                         | 10                   | 7                               |             |
| 2018                               | BC har, unknown            | 1         | OH snd, BAEA intruder<br>NJ aud, injured<br>IA dnn clutch 2,<br>black flies             | 1<br>2<br>2 |                            |           | 34                      | 4             | 67                         | 11                   | 6                               |             |
| 2019                               |                            |           | GA ber, unknown   | 2           |                            |           | 35                      | 1             | 72                         | 7                    | 2                               |             |
| 2020                               |                            |           | *FL swf, poison   | 1           | CO std, BAEA intruder      | 1         | 33                      | 2             | 70                         | 9                    | 2                               |             |
| <b>TOTAL BROODS</b>                | 12                         |           | 214   |             | 121                        |           | <b>350</b>              |               |                            |                      |                                 |             |
| <b>TOTAL FAILED</b>                | 2                          |           | 19  |             | 9                          |           |                         |               | <b>30</b>                  |                      |                                 |             |
| <i>total failed / total broods</i> | 16.7%                      |           | 8.9%  |             | 7.4%                       |           |                         |               | <b>8.6%</b>                |                      |                                 |             |
| <b>TOTAL NESTLINGS LOST</b>        | 2                          |           | 30  |             | 20                         |           |                         |               | <b>715</b>                 |                      | <b>113</b>                      |             |
|                                    |                            |           |   |             |                            |           |                         |               |                            | <b>52</b>            |                                 | <b>7.3%</b> |

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**NOTES:**

\* 2020 -- At the Southwest Florida nest the adults laid a second clutch of 2 eggs after losing the only eaglet from brood 1 (1 egg did not hatch), a rare occurrence among Bald Eagles. Both eggs of the second clutch hatched and the eaglets successfully fledged.

**Nest Codes**

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|--------|---|
| BC har | British Columbia, Harrison Mills                                    |
| BC hrn | British Columbia, Hornby Island                                     |
| CA cTH | California, Catalina Island, Two Harbors                            |
| CA trt | California, Turtle Bay, Redding                                     |
| CA cWE | California, Catalina Island, West End                               |
| CA zPH | California, Santa Cruz Island, Pelican Harbor                       |
| CO fsv | Colorado, Fort St. Vrain  |
| CO std | Colorado, Standley Lake Regional Park                               |
| FL swf | Florida, North Fort Myers   |
| GA ber | Georgia, Berry College  |
| IA dnn | Iowa, Decorah "North"   |
| IL umr | Illinois, Upper Mississippi National Wildlife & Fish Refuge         |
| MD blk | Maryland, Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge                       |
| ME br1 | Maine, Hancock County, Biodiversity Research Institute              |
| NC jor | North Carolina, Jordan Lake   |
| MN bnd | Minnesota, Hutchenson, Crow River, Minnesota Bound                  |
| NJ aud | New Jersey, New Jersey Audubon                                      |
| OH snd | Ohio, Sandy Ridge Reservation, North Ridgeville                     |
| OK snr | Oklahoma, Sooner Lake   |
| PA han | Pennsylvania, Hanover, Codorus State Park                           |
| VA riv | Virginia, Potomac River, near Leesburg                              |
| WI val | Wisconsin, Eagle Valley, near Mississippi River                     |
| WV shp | West Virginia, Shepherdstown, National Conservation Training Center |