

Table C-2. Estimated Number of Adult California Gulls Nesting at Mono Lake between 1950 and 1975

Date of Visit	Lake Elevation (feet) (USGS Datum)	Mono Lake Total	Negit Island	Paoha Island	Negit Islets	Paoha Islets	Comments	Source
1950-1951	6,411-6,409	1,500	1,500	0	?	NA	Rough estimate; colony reported from a small area on the southeast side of Negit Island	Young 1952
June 18-19, 1952	6,408	5,000-10,000	P	?	?	NA	Rough estimate; no systematic counts made	D. W. Johnston ^a
May 16 and 29, 1953	6,409	3,000-6,000	P	?	?	NA	Rough estimate; no systematic counts made	D. W. Johnston ^a
1952-1953	6,408-6,409	3,000-5,000+	P	?	?	NA	Rough estimate; no systematic counts made	Johnston 1956
1958-1967	6,401-6,387	Large colony	P	?	?	NA		D. Banta and D. Mason ^a
1959, 1961-1963	6,401	?	P	?	?	NA	Banded 4,825 chicks on Negit Island	Gallup 1963, USFWS Bird Banding Laboratory
June 8, 1963	6,394	?	?	?	P	NA	No population estimates made	R. Quigley ^a
1966	6,389	?	?	?	P	NA	No population estimates made	H. Johnson and K. Lajoie ^a
June 21, 1972	6,385.4	>10,000	1,200	0	P	0	Rough estimate; uncounted thousands around the lake	Jurek 1972
June 26, 1973	6,383.9	Thousands	P	0	P	?		Anderson 1973
August 24, 1973	6,383.4	42,500	--	--	--	--	Aerial census of a postbreeding population of adults and young	Jurek 1973
1974	6,382	20,000-30,000	P	?	?	?	Rough estimate made from shore miles from colony where most breeding birds were not visible	Stallcup and Greenberg 1974
June 6, 1974	6,382.3	20,000-30,000	P	?	P	?	Rough estimate; did not estimate numbers on Negit Islets	Mangan 1974
May 25, 1975	6,380.6	>3,000	0	0	0	?	Rough estimate; gulls did not appear to be nesting on Negit Islets	Heindel 1975, Mangan 1975

Notes: P = present but no population estimate available.
 NA = not applicable. Paoha Islets submerged during this period.

^a Cited by Winkler and Shuford (1988) but not reviewed by Jones & Stokes Associates biologists.