



## Plover News as of July 18, 2008



Snowy Plover pair PRNS 2008 photo by K. Peterlein

Snowy Plovers along the entire coast of California have suffered huge losses this summer and it looks like we are going to end our season with lower numbers than we have experienced in many years. With weather, and other environmental factors changing as they are, plovers are really struggling. Let's continue getting the word out and helping in any way we can to insure the survival of this resource.

Thanks,  
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### **Nest success**

21 nests found  
7 hatched  
10 failed (predation/wind/tide/unknown)  
4 are being incubated (11 eggs)

### **Eggs**

55 eggs laid  
21 hatched (38%)  
23 failed (predation/wind/tide/unknown)  
11 incubating

### **Chicks**

21 hatched  
17 died (80%)  
3 brooding (being raised by father)  
1 fledged (survived to 28 days)