

Table 1. Wood stork nesting data in the Southeastern United States (USFWS 2013).

YEAR	TOTAL		FLORIDA		GEORGIA		SOUTH CAROLINA		NORTH CAROLINA	
	Nesting Pairs	Colonies	Nesting Pairs	Colonies	Nesting Pairs	Colonies	Nesting Pairs	Colonies	Nesting Pairs	Colonies
1975	9,752	27	9,610	24	142	3				
1976	5,310	17	5,294	16	16	1				
1977	5,263	25	5,125	21	138	4				
1978	2,695	18	2,595	16	100	2				
1979	4,648	24	3,800	22	55	2				
1980	5,063	25	4,766	20	297	5				
1981	4,442	22	4,156	19	275	2	11	1		
1982	3,575	22	3,420	18	135	2	20	1		
1983	5,983	25	5,600	22	363	2	20	1		
1984	6,245	29	5,647	25	576	3	22	1		
1985	5,193	23	4,562	30	557	5	74	1		
1986			**		648	4	120	3		
1987			**		506	5	194	3		
1988			**		311	4	179	3		
1989			**		543	6	376	3		
1990			**		709	10	536	6		
1991	4,073	37	2,440	25	969	9	664	3		
1992			**		1,091	9	475	3		
1993	6,729	43	4,262	29	1,661	11	806	3		
1994	5,768	47	3,588	26	1,468	14	712	7		
1995	7,853	54	5,523	31	1,501	17	829	6		
1996			**		1,480	18	953	7		
1997			**		1,379	15	917	8		
1998			**		1,665	15	1,093	10		
1999	7,768	71	6,109	51	1,139	13	520	8		
2000			**		566	7	1,236	11		
2001	5,582	44	3,246	23	1,162	12	1,174	9		
2002	7,855	70	5,463	46	1,256	14	1,136	10		
2003	8,813	78	5,804	49	1,653	18	1,356	11		
2004	8,379	93	4,726	63	1,596	17	2,057	13		
2005	5,572	73	2,304	40	1,817	19	1,419	13	32	1
2006	11,279	82	7,216	48	1,928	21	2,010	13	125	1
2007	4,406	55	1,553	25	1,054	15	1,607	14	192	1
2008	6,118	73	1,838	31	2,292	25	1,839	16	149	1
2009	12,720	86	9,428	54	1,676	19	1,482	12	134	1
2010	8,149	94	3,828	51	2,708	28	1,393	14	220	1
2011	9,579	88	5,292	45	2,160	19	2,031	23	96	1
2012	8,452	77	4,539	39	1,905	17	1,827	19	181	2
2013	11,046	100	6,948	57	1,873	19	2,020	21	205	3

** No survey data available for North and Central Florida.

Table 2. Wood stork nesting data in the southeastern United States and 3-year averages (USFWS 2013).

South Florida includes wood stork nesting in the following Florida counties: Broward, Collier, Hendry, Lee, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, and Palm Beach.

YEAR	TOTAL		South FL		Central/North FL		GA		SC		NC	
	Nesting Pairs	3yr Avg	Nesting Pairs	3yr Avg	Nesting Pairs	3yr Avg	Nesting Pairs	3yr Avg	Nesting Pairs	3yr Avg	Nesting Pairs	3yr Avg
1981	4,442		2,428		1,728		275		11			
1982	3,575		1,237		2,183		135		20			
1983	5,983	4,667	2,858	2,174	2,742	2,218	363	258	20	17		
1984	6,245	5,268	1,245	1,780	4,402	3,109	576	358	22	21		
1985	5,193	5,807	798	1,634	3,764	3,636	557	499	74	39		
1986			643	895			648	584	120	72		
1987			100	514			506	570	194	129		
1988			755	499			311	488	179	164		
1989			515	457			543	453	376	250		
1990			475	582			709	521	536	364		
1991	4,073		550	513	1,890		969	740	664	525		
1992			1,917	981			1,091	923	475	558		
1993	6,729		587	1,018	3,675		1,661	1,240	806	648		
1994	5,768		741	1,082	2,847		1,468	1,407	712	664		
1995	7,853	6,783	1140	823	4,383	3,635	1,501	1,543	829	782		
1996			1215	1,032			1,480	1,483	953	831		
1997			445	933			1,379	1,453	917	900		
1998			478	713			1,665	1,508	1,093	988		
1999			2,674	1,190			1,139	1,394	520	843		
2000			3,996	2,383			566	1,123	1,236	950		
2001	5,582		2,888	3,186	358		1,162	956	1,174	977		
2002	7,855		3,463	3,449	2,000		1,256	995	1,136	1,182		
2003	8,813	7,417	1,747	2,699	4,057	2,138	1,653	1,357	1,356	1,222		
2004	8,379	8,349	1,485	2,232	3,241	3,099	1,596	1,502	2,057	1,516		
2005	5,572	7,588	591	1,274	1,713	3,004	1,817	1,689	1,419	1,611	32	
2006	11,279	8,410	2,648	1,575	4,568	3,174	1,928	1,780	2,010	1,829	125	
2007	4,406	7,086	696	1,312	857	2,379	1,054	1,600	1,607	1,679	192	116
2008	6,118	7,268	344	1,229	1,494	2,306	2,292	1,758	1,839	1,819	149	155
2009	12,720	7,748	5,816	2,285	3,612	1,988	1,676	1,674	1,482	1,643	134	158
2010	8,141	8,993	1,220	2,460	2,600	2,571	2,708	2,225	1,393	1,571	220	168
2011	9,579	10,147	2,131	3,056	3,161	3,124	2,160	2,181	2,031	1,635	96	141
2012	8,452	8,620	1,234	1,528	3,305	3,137	1,905	2,258	1,827	1,750	181	166
2013	11,046	9,692	3,059	2,141	3,889	3,452	1,873	1,979	2,020	1,959	205	161

Table 3.¹ Three-year averages of wood stork nesting.

3-Year Averages	Everglades¹	South Florida² Total	Florida Total	U.S. Total³
1999–2001	1,538			
2000–2002	1,868			
2001–2003	1,596	3,179	4,838	7,417
2002–2004	1,191	2,889	5,332	8,349
2003–2005	742	2,109	4,278	7,588
2004–2006	800	2,814	4,749	8,410
2005–2007	633	2,516	3,691	7,086
2006–2008	552	2,374	3,536	7,268
2007–2009	1,468	3,393	4,273	7,748
2008–2010	1,736	3,700	5,031	8,993
2009–2011	2,263	4,628	6,183	10,147
2010–2012	1,182	3,022	4,553	8,724
2011–2013	1,686	3,671	5,593	9,692

¹Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Program Goal: 3-year average of 1,500–2,500; (Frederick 2013, p. 36, Table 21); Recovery Goal: 5-year average of 2,500.

²Broward, Charlotte, Collier, Hardee, Hendry, Indian River, Lee, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Osceola, Palm Beach, Polk, Sarasota, St. Lucie; South Florida MSRP Goal: 5-year average of 3,500 (USFWS 2001).

³Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina; Reclassification Goal: 3-year average of 6,000; Recovery Goal: 5-year average of 10,000 (USFWS 2013).

¹ Table 3 has been created to address certain comments received. We have named it Table 3 even though it is included here before Tables 1 and 2, so as not to confuse readers by changing the Table numbering in the final rule with respect to the numbering in the proposed rule. Information from this table has been incorporated directly into the Background section of the final rule without repeating the entire table.