LOCH GARTEN



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				ARRIVAL	ARRIVAL	
1954	<2	2				FIRST BREEDING PAIR IN UK FOR 50 YEARS. Reported by Ornithologist Desmond Nethersole-Thompson.
1955	1+	0				Eggs stolen by egg collectors, Birds built a frustration nest in Sluggan Pass.
1956	1+	0				Once again eggs stolen from Rothiemurchus Forest, second frustration nest built near Loch Morlich.
1957	0	0				G. Waterston/RSPB set up protection. Only 1 bird returned, second bird likely to have been shot, carcass found later in the season.
1958	2	0		NEW 01/05/1958	NEW 03/05/1958	Operation Osprey begins. Egg collector raided the nest on 3rd June, eggs found broken at the base of the nest tree, eggs on the nest replaced with hen's eggs daubed with brown polish.
1959	3	3		SAME 18/04/1959	SAME 22/04/1959	Decision taken by George Waterston to open viewing facilities for the general public. [RSPB Ospreys return to Loch garten]
				SAME	SAME	
	?	2				

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				ARRIVAL	ARRIVAL	
				08/04/1960	18/04/1960	
1961	3	3		SAME 08/04/1961	SAME 09/04/1961	
1962	3	1		SAME 13/04/1962	SAME 11/04/1962	
1963	?	0		SAME 14/04/1963	SAME 13/04/1963	2 NESTS BOTH FAILED.Ref Ospreys in Speyside page 36 Male Bird at second nest seen to be wearing an Aluminium ring on Left leg, Number read as ending 80. Likely to be a bird ringed near Lake Baven near Stockholm, Sweden in 1960
1964	3	3		SAME 10/04/1964	SAME 08/04/1964	2nd NEST AGAIN FAILED. Ref Ospreys in Speyside page 38 Vandals attempted to saw through the trunk of the nest tree, which had to be secured with steel stays.
1965	2	1		SAME 02/04/1965	NEW 06/04/1965	2nd NEST AGAIN FAILED. Ref Ospreys in Speyside page 38 Unhatched eggs examined in 1964 and 1965 contained Organo-Chloride residues
1966	3	0		SAME 04/04/1966	SAME 02/04/1966	Both nests in the area destroyed by Gales in April, at the time there were 3 Eggs on the

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						Loch Garten Nest
1967	3	3		SAME 06/04/1967	SAME 08/04/1967	First year Chicks Ringed.
1968	3	2		SAME 05/04/1968	SAME 30/03/1968	
1969	?	2		SAME 02/04/1969	SAME 03/04/1969	
1970	3	1		SAME 03/04/1970	SAME 05/04/1970	
1971	3	0		SAME 09/04/1971	SAME 08/04/1971	Eggs stolen on 17th May. Thieves were caught, however, the eggs were never recovered.
1972	3	2		SAME 31/03/1972	SAME 08/04/1972	1 Egg broken. RR7225B SCOTLAND: THE OSPREYS RETURN
1973	3	2		SAME 27/03/1973	NEW 26/04/1973	RSPB bought 1500 Acres at Loch Garten from Seafield Estates for £290,000 Chicks ringed M9942 and M9943 used.
1974	3	3		SAME 09/04/1974	SAME 13/04/1974	

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1975	1	0		NEW 18/04/1975	NEW 10/04/1975	Male from the previous 17 years failed to return, he raised 28 chicks to fledging. Eggs not incubated correctly, most likely due to immature Male bird.
1976	2	2		SAME 10/04/1976	SAME 13/04/1976	RSPB bought the surrounding area Abernathy Forest. Severe drought killed the old osprey nest tree.
1977	3	2		SAME 12/04/1977	SAME 15/04/1977	
1978	3	3		SAME 17/04/1978	SAME 16/04/1978	
1979	3	3		SAME 10/04/1079	SAME 12/04/1979	
1980	3	2		 new 07/04/1980 19/04/1980	 new 05/04/1980 19/04/1980	Ospreys moved the eyrie to a nearby live pine. Second pair took over the original nest, after a couple of weeks
1981	3	2		SAME 29/03/1981	SAME 03/04/1981	
	3	2		SAME	SAME	

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				07/04/1982	28/03/1982	
1983	3	2		SAME 10/04/1983	SAME 04/04/1983	Weir's Way: The Ospreys 1,000.000th visitor at Loch Garten.
1984	3	2		SAME 01/04/1984	SAME 04/04/1984	
1985	3	0		SAME 02/04/1985	SAME 31/03/1985	Male injured on 13/05/1985
1986	3	0		NEW 21/04/1986	SAME 31/03/1986	Eggs broken and a new male takes over. This male later found dead at a fish farm. The tree was vandalised.
1987	1+	0		SAME 22/04/1987	NEW 22/04/1987	Egg once again broken
1988	3	3		SAME 12/04/1988	SAME 12/04/1988	
1989	3	1		SAME 09/04/1989	NEW 10/04/1989	
1990	3	2		 UNRINGED	 NEW	A new Male arrives at the nest. Later named Ollie, later to be ringed see 1995

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				OLLIE 14/04/1990 05/05/1990	 14/04/1990 05/05/1990	Hide burnt down by vandals. Both chicks die, one to a Fox.
1991	3	2		UNRINGED OLLIE 13/04/1991	SAME 27/04/1991	
1992	1	1		UNRINGED OLLIE 09/04/1991	NEW 11/04/1992	
1993	3	2	SB	UNRINGED OLLIE 30/03/1993	SAME 31/03/1993	The female became entangled in fishing line and departed the site on 9th July, probably died.
1994	3	1		UNRINGED OLLIE 01/04/1994	UNRINGED OLIVE 03/04/1994	
1995	3	3		GREEN LS OLLIE 05/04/1995	UNRINGED OLIVE 10/04/1995	Ollie was captured at Rothiemurchus Fish Farm by Roy Dennis and ringed Green LS
1996	3	3	RED TA	GREEN LS	UNRINGED	FOUND DEAD IN PERTHSHIRE 2013

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				ARRIVAL	ARRIVAL	
				OLLIE	OLIVE	
				31/03/1996	04/04/1996	
1997	3	1		GREEN LS OLLIE	UNRINGED OLIVE	Birds subjected to Tawny Owl attacks.
				01/04/1997	01/04/1997	
1998	3	3		GREEN LS OLLIE	UNRINGED OLIVE	
				31/03/1998	03/04/1998	
1999	4	3		GREEN LS OLLIE	UNRINGED OLIVE	
				27/03/1999	27/03/199	
2000	3	2	GREEN 2E	GREEN LS OLLIE	UNRINGED OLIVE	SEEN AROUND MORAY AND LOCHINDORB UPTO 2015, WINTERED IN SPAIN
2001	3	3		GREEN LS OLLIE	UNRINGED OLIVE	New visitor centre built.
2002	0	0		BLACK 8Y	UNRINGED	Season Failed, no eggs laid, several Males in

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					OLIVE	attendance.
2003	0	0		OCHRE HV HENRY 11/04/2003	UNRINGED OLIVE WHITE EJ 06/04/2003	The female fails to settle, returning later in season with a new partner. HENRY RETURNED MINUS OCHRE HV RING BBC NEWS | UK | Scotland | Love conquers for Olive osprey Osprey missing food of love Loch Garten Osprey Diary 2003
2004	3	3	27 (F) 28 (M) 29 (?)	OCHRE HV HENRY 03/04/2004	WHITE EJ 25/03/2004	Osprey couple finally settle down Delight as Osprey lays rare eggs Double joy as osprey chicks hatch Loch Garten Diary 2004 Living my dream 2004 Final Cut 1 YELLOW 27 First seen as RETURNED in 2021
2005	3	0		OCHRE HV HENRY 03/04/2005	WHITE EJ 29/03/2005	LOCH GARTEN DIARY 2005 HENRY EJECTED EGGS FATHERED BY 0RANGE VS
2006	3	3	8U (F) 8V (F) 8W (F)	OCHRE HV HENRY 10/04/2006	WHITE EJ 26/03/2006	0RANGE VS DRIVEN OFF AFTER ARIEL BATTLE WHICH HENRY WON. BBC NEWS | UK | Scotland | Ospreys in return to Strathspey Osprey chicks at Boat of Garten LOCH GARTEN DIARY 2006

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2007	4+ 3	0		OCHRE HV HENRY 22/04/2007 ORANGE VS 30/03/2007	WHITE EJ 04/04/2007	FIRST 4 EGGS WERE EJECTED FROM NEST BY HENRY. THEY WERE FATHERED BY ORANGE VS TWO HATCHED, BOTH DIED. THIRD DEAD INSIDE SHELL A BRIEF HISTORY OF LOCH GARTEN Jealous osprey makes up with mate BBC NEWS | UK | Scotland | Highlands and Islands | Jealous osprey's eggs incubating
2008	3	2	AY(F) AZ(M)	ORANGE VS 11/04/2008	WHITE EJ 26/03/2008	WHITE AY NAMED NETHY WHITE AZ NAMED DESHAR THIRD CHICK DIED AT 28 DAYS, BOTH THE SURVIVING CHICKS WERE FITTED WITH A SAT TAG Fish faux pas by troublesome bird
2009	3	3	PH (F) PJ(F) PM (F)	UNRINGED ODIN	WHITE EJ	WHITE PH NAMED GARTEN WHITE PJ NAMED ROTHES, Weighed 1646 Grms at Ringing. WHITE PM NAMED MALLACHIE, Weighed 1790 Grms at Ringing. Mallachie WHITE PJ AND PM FITTED WITH SAT TAGS

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				03/04/2009	25/03/2009	Young osprey lost presumed dead BBC NEWS | Scotland | Fishing line osprey brood threat Osprey may have been 'strung up' - 29 May 2009
2010	3	3	NOT RINGED	UNRINGED ODIN 03/04/2010	WHITE EJ 26/03/2010	UNSAFE WEATHER CONDITIONS MEANT THE RINGING OPPORTUNITY WAS MISSED. Ospreys at Loch Garten Wind foils bid to ring osprey chicks at Loch Garten - 12 July 2010
2011	3	2	47 (M) 48 (F)	UNRINGED ODIN 02/04/2011	WHITE EJ 24/03/2011	SECOND EGG FAILED TO HATCH BLUE 47 NAMED BYNACK. BYNACK BLUE 48 NAMED TORE. TORE Osprey EJ returns to Loch Garten | Walkhighlands
				UNRINGED ODIN	WHITE EJ	

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CHICK 3 DIED FROM SIBLICIDE.
BLUE AA1 NAMED CALEDONIA
BLUE AA2 NAMED ALBA
BOTH BIRDS WERE FITTED WITH SAT TAGS

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				01/04/2012	21/03/2012	[Worries over tagged Loch Garten osprey Bynack - BBC News](#) [Feathers fly as Henry's two-timing mate gets the bird](#)
2013	4	2	CF4 (M) CF5 (M)	UNRINGED ODIN 07/04/2013	WHITE EJ 27/03/2013	2 EGG EJECTED BY ODIN AS NOT HIS. BLUE CF4 NAMED BREAGHA BLUE CF5 NAMED OIGHRIG BOTH BIRDS FITTED WITH SAT TAGS [Chick arrives at Loch Garten osprey centre - BBC News](#) RSBP Loch Garten Osprey Highlights 2013 BBC report - Henry kicks out EJ's eggs - C...
2014	3	3	AN0(F) AN8 (?) AN9 (M)	UNRINGED ODIN 30/03/2014	WHITE EJ 24/03/2014	BLUE AN0 NAMED MILLICENT BLUE AN8 NAMED DRUIE BLUE AN9 SEASCA BOTH BLUE AN0 AND BLUE AN9 FITTED WITH SAT TAGS 100TH CHICK AT LOCH GARTEN 2014 RSPB Osprey Chick Loch Garten [First chick of the season hatches for Loch Garten osprey EJ - 18 May 2014](#)

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						Highland osprey 'killed in collision in fog' in Seville - 17 January 2014
2015	3	0		UNRINGED ODIN 06/04/2015	WHITE EJ 02/04/2015	NEST FAILED DUE TO INTRUDERS, A SECOND MALE DAMAGED/REMOVED THE EGGS. Ospreys in Britain: back from the brink Osprey eggs destroyed by interloper - BBC News
2016	3	2	AF0 (M) PP0 (M)	UNRINGED ODIN 27/03/2016	WHITE EJ 21/03/2016	EGG 2 FAILS TO HATCH BLUE AF0 NAMED WILLOW BLUE PP0 NAMED ROWAN Loch Garten's 'soap opera' osprey lays first egg - BBC News EJ the Osprey returns to Loch Garten RSPB for 14th year running - BirdGuides/ Not just better news, but fantastic news!
2017	3	0		UNRINGED ODIN	WHITE EJ	NEST FAILED,ALL THREE CHICKS DIED ON THE NEST MOST LIKELY DUE TO FOOD SHORTAGE AS MALE OCCUPIED DEFENDING AGAINST INTRUDERS. Loch Garten's osprey Odin remains missing - BBC News Nesting osprey buried by April snowfalls at Loch Garten - BBC News Osprey chick at RSPB Scotland's Loch Garten reserve - BBC News

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				31/03/2017	23/03/2017	
2018	4	0		UNRINGED GEORGE	WHITE EJ	ODIN DID NOT RETURN. NEW MALE NAMED GEORGE AFTER GEORGE WATERSTON, WHO SET UP OPERATION OSPREY IN THE 1950'S. Eggs predated by Pine Marten Pine marten poaches Loch Garten osprey's rotten eggs - BBC News
					21/03/2018	
2019	0	0	NO BREEDING ON SITE			NO BREEDING ON SITE. WHITE EJ FAILED TO RETURN. George failed to return also. The remarkable return of ospreys RSPB Scotland celebrates 60 years of Loch Garten Ospreys - Osprey EJ has still to appear at Loch Garten in Cairngorms - BBC News Famous Cairngorms osprey may have died of old age - BBC News Ode to EJ. We will miss you. - Loch Garten osprey diary
2020	0	0	NO BREEDING ON SITE			
2021	0	0	NO BREEDING ON SITE			

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2022	3	2	1C1 (F) 1C2 (M)	AX6 12/04/2022	UNRINGED ASHA 17/04/2022	Nest moved to a new tree. LOCH GARTEN - A NEW HOME FOR OSPR... THIRD EGG FAILS TO HATCH BLUE 1C1 DIED ON THE NEST 08/08/22 4 DAYS AFTER FLEDGING, POST MORTEM FINDS SALMONELLA INFECTION. Out with the old, in with the new - Loch Garten osprey diary Loch Garten osprey chicks first in six years to be ringed - BBC News
2023	3	2	2C4 (M) 2C5 (M)	UNRINGED BRODIE 14/04/2023	UNRINGED ASHA 04/04/2023	Lots of intruders, continued attacks on the nest by KL5. Both Chicks were last seen on the nest quite early in the season following these attacks. BBC news. #Loch Garten Osprey nest
2024	3	0		UNRINGED BRODIE KL5 06/04/24	UNRINGED ASHA 07/04/24	Nest failed after battles for the nest were lost to Blue KL5, Who cemented victory by Kicking out the 3 eggs
2025	0			KL		Nest Disturbance, Non Breeding Year, New land added to Loch Garten reserve famous

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						for its ospreys - BBC News
2026	5	0		KL5 13/04/26	Unringed Myrtle 10/04/26	First 3 Eggs were destroyed by KL5, After Myrtle had left the nest area for over 9 Days and started laying on her return. A further 2 eggs were laid, after the male KL5 went missing for 3 plus days, Myrtle left the nest for food and the eggs were predated.
2027						
TOTAL	<180	110				

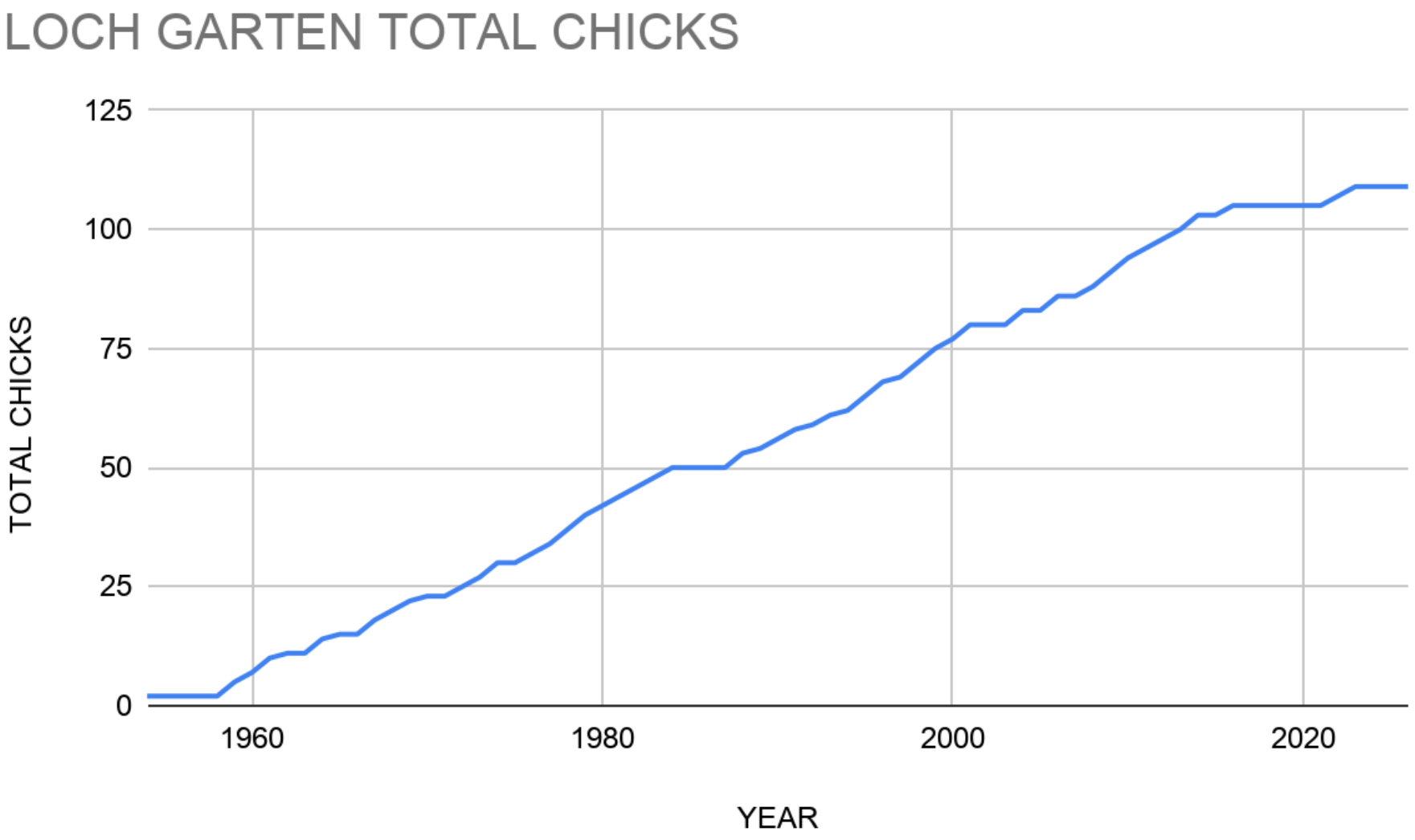
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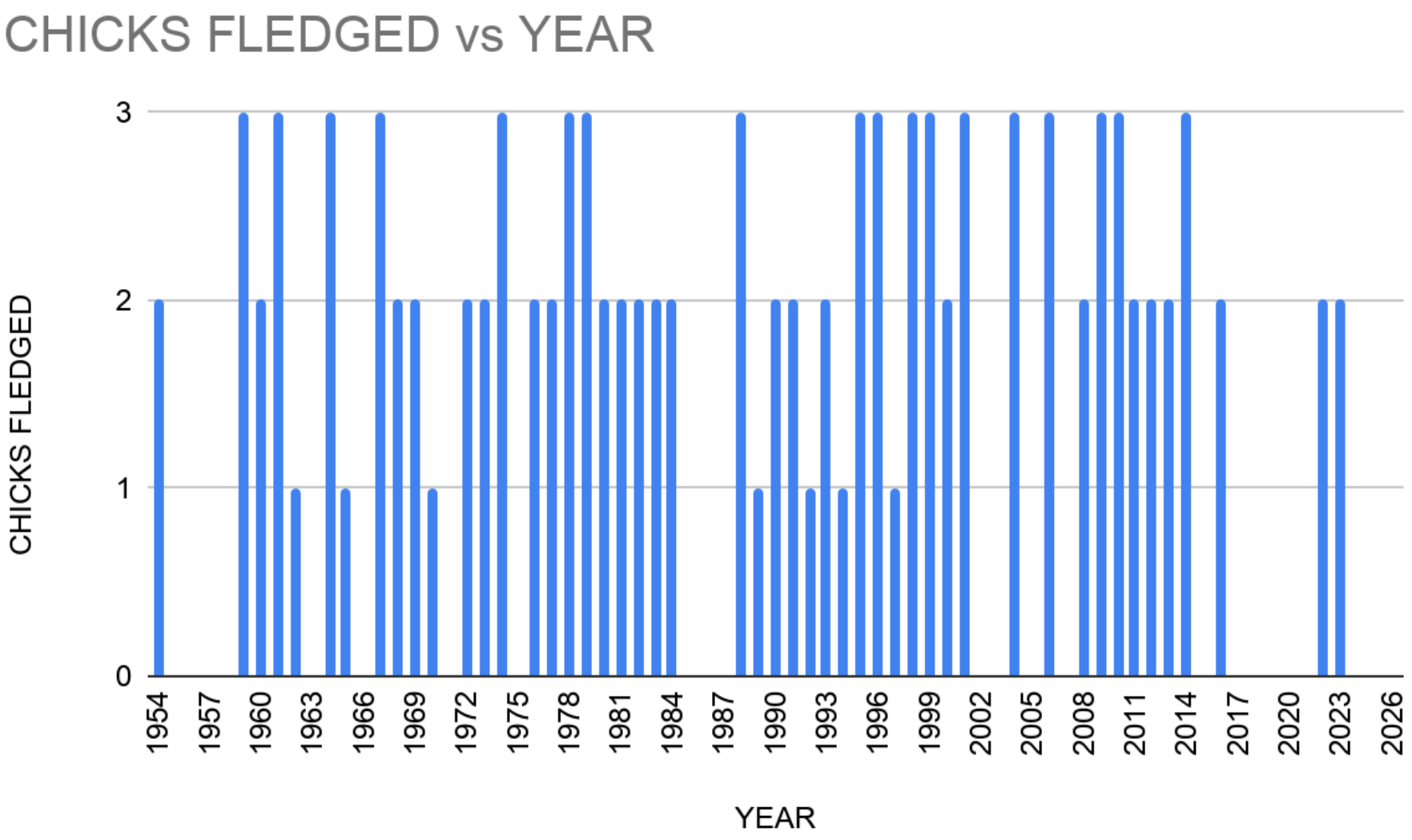
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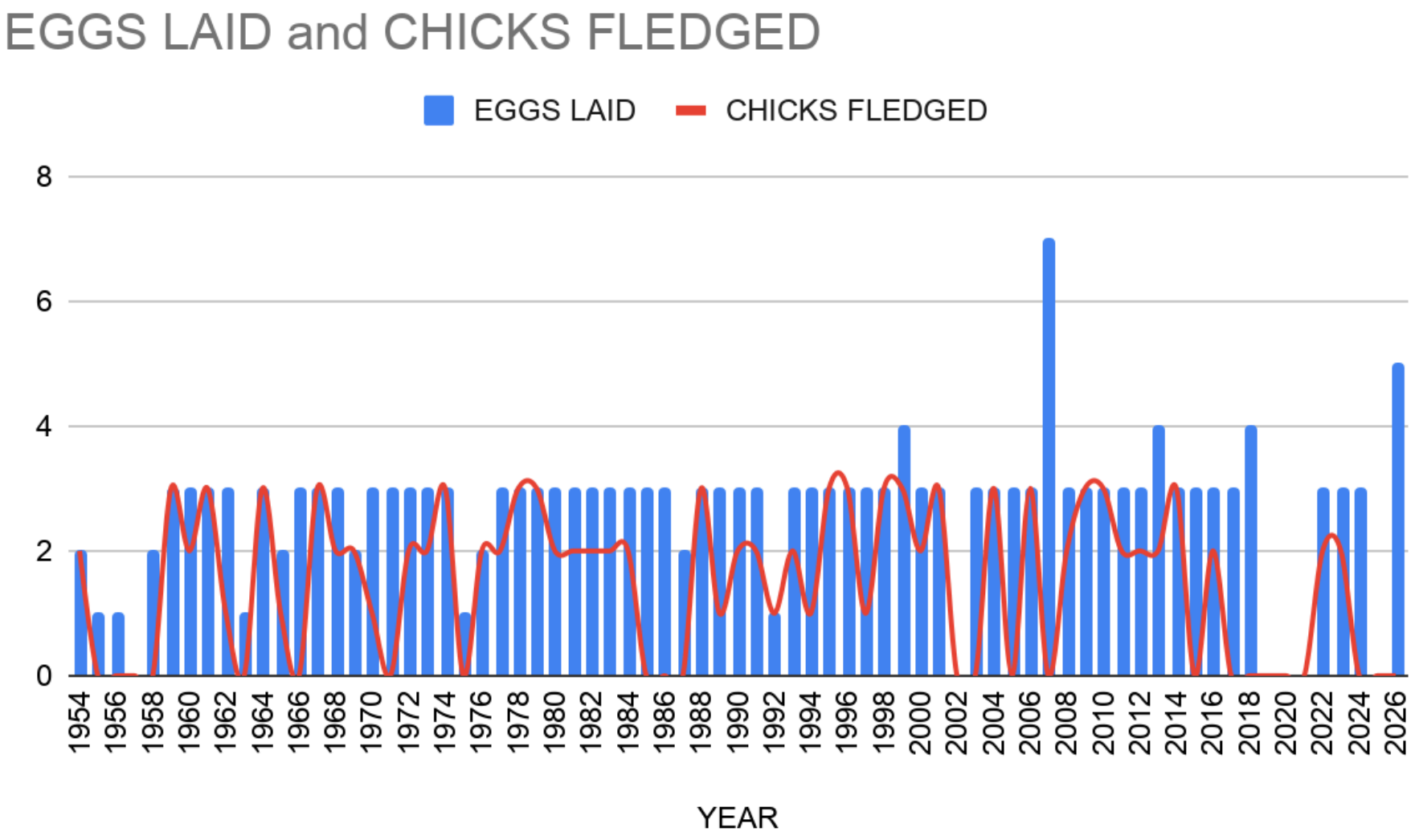
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