

Elephant Seal Census Numbers for Año Nuevo and Piedras Blancas

Note: The numbers below have different meanings. At Año Nuevo they mean pup weaned i.e. surviving viable pups (counted in March). The numbers used at Piedras Blancas are estimates or counts of actual births i.e. viable pups plus all the pups the die or are washed off the beach.

Year	Pups Weaned at Año Nuevo			Births at Piedras Blancas
	ANI	ANML	Total	Total
1997	604	1,734	2,338	1,200
1998	314	2,010	2,324	1,650
1999	502	1,799	2,301	1,900
2000	272	1,772	2,034	1,850
2001	359	1,793	2,152	1,950
2002	434	1,766	2,200	2,150
2003	384	2,049	2,433	2,650
2004	209	1,832	2,041	3,000
2005	484	1,933	2,417	3,500
2006	413	2,030	2,443	3,800
2007	465	1,858	2,323	4,100
2008	341	1,804	2,145 (-7.6%)	4000
2009	468	1,546	2,014 (-6%)	3800
2010			1,843 (-8.5%)	4150

ANI=Año Nuevo Island, ANML=Año Nuevo Main Land

Source - Dan Crocker, Pat Morris and Guy Oliver, UC SANTA CRUZ., FES Website
<http://www.elephantseal.org/Slide%20presentation.pdf>

First elephant seal birth of the season at Año Nuevo is usually mid-December. Examples - 12/14/01, 12/11/02, 12/08/03, 12/11/05

At Pt. Reyes the first elephant seal birth of the 2003/4 season was 11/20/03!