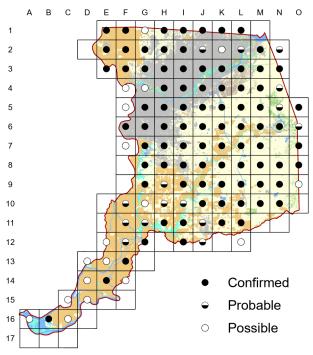
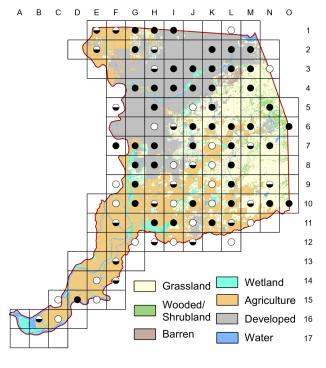
Killdeer Charadrius vociferus

Atlas 1 Atlas 2





Vociferously announcing their nests on gravel parking lots or construction sites may give the impression that Killdeer are doing well in the county. However, like our other breeding shorebird species, the Killdeer demonstrated an apparent decline between atlases.

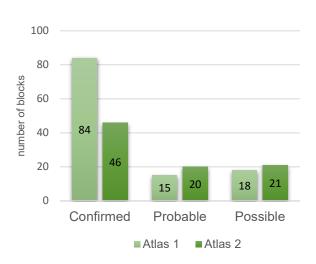
Breeding Bird Survey Trend (1966-2019)

California Rangewide¹
-1.58% / year^s -0.57% / year^s

¹North America; ^ssignificant; Source: Sauer et al. 2020

Breeding Habitat
Variety of open habitats

Comparison of Atlas Results



Nest Type
Scrape, often on pebbly ground

16 April 2016 Block H-1

Pair doing broken wing displays while two very small chicks ran away from me.