



Year (BCE)	Tyrian Kings	Egyptian Kings (Pharaohs)		Assyrian Kings	Babylonian Kings	Judah & Israel (United) Tishri-based		480 years	Source	Comments	JW Chronology	
											Judah	Israel
994		Amenemope	Menkheperre				15	452				
993							16	453				
992			Smendes II				17	454				
991							18	455				
990		Osorkon (Akheperre-setepenre)			Eulmash-shakin-shumi		19	456				
989							20	457				
988							21	458				
987	Abibaal						22	459				Rehoboam
986							23	460				
985							24	461				Jeroboam
984							25	462				
983			Pinedjem II	Ashur-rabi II			26	463				
982					Ninurta-kudurri-usur I	David	27	464				
981					Shirikti-shuqamuna (3 months)	40 years	28	465				
980					<i>Dynasty VII</i>		29	466	2 Samuel 5:11	Hiram (king of Tyre) provided David with cedars		Abijah
979							30	467				
978		Siamun (Netjerkheperre-setepenre)			Mar-biti-apla-usur		31	468				
977							32	469				
976							33	470				Nadab
975							34	471				
974					<i>Dynasty VIII</i>		35	472				
973							36	473				
972							37	474				
971							38	475				
970							39	476				
969				Ashur-resh-ishi II			1	40	1 Kings 11:42 1 Kings 2:36, 39 1 Kings 14:21	Solomon reigned 40 years Shimei ordered to remain in Jerusalem Rehoboam born		
968							2	478				
967	Hiram I						3	479	1 Kings 2:39, 46 1 Kings 5:1	Death of Shimei Hiram provided Solomon with cedars		
966							4	480	1 Kings 6:1, 37	480 <sup>th</sup> year after Exodus (spurious), temple construction begins; foundations completed (2 <sup>nd</sup> month [May])		
965							5		1 Kings 9:11	Hiram provided timber and gold		
964							6					
963							7					
962							8					
961							9					
960			Psusennes III				10					
959		Har-Psusennes II (Tjekheperre-setepenre)			Nabu-mukin-apli		11		1 Kings 6:38 2 Chronicles 5:1-3 2 Chronicles 7:10	Temple construction completed (8 <sup>th</sup> month [November], 960 BCE, Tishri dating) Temple inaugurated, Israelites return home after festival (7 <sup>th</sup> month [October], 959 BCE, Tishri dating)		Asa
958							12					
957							13					
956							14					
955							15					
954							16					
953							17					
952							18					Elah
951							19					Zimri, Omri/Tibni
950							20					
949							21					
948							22					
947							23		1 Kings 7:1 1 Kings 9:10-11	Solomon's house completed Solomon gives 20 cities to Hiram		
946							24					
945							25					
944	Baal-Eser I						26					Omri
943							27					
942			22 <sup>nd</sup> Dynasty				28					
941			Shoshenq I				29					
940							30					Ahab

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						Tishri-based	Age					Judah	Israel			
939	Baal-Eser I	Shoshenq I (Shishak/Hedjkheperre-setepenre)	Tiglath-Pileser II	Ninurta-kudurri-usur II			Solomon 40 years	31				Ahaz	Ignores co-regency, adding 3 years			
938								32								
937								33								
936								34								
935								35								
934								36								
933								37								
932								38								
931								39								
930								40	1 Kings 11:40	Jeroboam hides in Egypt until Solomon's death during reign of Shishak (Shoshenq)						
929	Abdastratus	Mar-biti-ahhe-iddina	Ashur-dan II	(durations uncertain)			Rehoboam 17 years	41	1	Israel's guilt	1 Kings 12:2-3	Jeroboam returns from Egypt and reigns over Israel	Jehoshaphat	Begins co-regencies late, adding 3 years		
928								2								
927								3								
926								4								
925								5								
924								6								
923								7								
922								8								
921								9								
920								10								
919								11								
918								12								
917								13								
916								14								
915								15								
914								16								
913								17								
912																
911	Astartus	Shamash-mudammiq					Jeroboam 22 years		1	Abijah	1 Kings 15:1-2	Abijah reigns 3 years starting in Jeroboam's 18th year	Jehoram	Jehoram		
910								2	(aka Abijam)							
909								3	3 years							
908								1								
907								2		Nadab	1	22			1 Kings 14:20	Jeroboam reigned 22 years
906								3		2 years	2	21			1 Kings 15:25	Nadab reigns 2 years starting in Asa's 2nd year
905								4			2	20			1 Kings 15:28, 33	Baasha reigns 24 years starting in Asa's 3rd year
904								5								
903								6								
902								7								
901	8															
900	9															
899	10															
898	Delestartus	Osorkon I (Sekhemkheperre-setepenre)	Adad-nirari II				Asa 41 years		1				Jehu	1 year too long		
897								2								
896								3								
895								4								
894								5								
893								6								
892								7								
891								8								
890								9								
889								10								
888	Astartus	Shoshenq II (Heqakheperre-setepenre)	Tukulti-Ninurta II						1			Jehoash				
887								2								
886								3								
885								4								
884								5								
884								6								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
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884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				
884								2								
884	Astartus	Takelot I (Hedjkheperre-setepenre)							1			Jehu				

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883	Astarymus	Takelot I			Ben-Hadad I		27	Zimri (7 days)	2	1	46	1 Kings 16:10,15,21-23	Zimri reigns 7 days in Asa's 27 <sup>th</sup> year, Omri reigns 6 years from Tirzah, 12 years in total	Jehu
882							28	Omri			2	47		
881							29	(rivalry with Tibni)			3	48		
880							30				4	49		
879	Phelles	Takelot I & Harsiese (Hedjkheperre-setepenamun)	Ashurnasirpal II (Ashur-Nasir-Pal)	Nabu-apla-iddina	Ben-Hadad I & Hadadezer (Ben-Hadad II)		31				5	50	1 Kings 16:22-23	End of Omri's rivalry with Tibni in Asa's 31 <sup>st</sup> year
878						Asa			6	51	2 Kings 8:16	Jehoram (son of Jehoshaphat) born		
877						41 years			7	52	1 Kings 16:23	Samaria becomes Israel's capital, Omri reigns 6 years from Samaria		
876									8	53				
875									9	54				
874									10	55	2 Chronicles 16:1	See 884 BCE		
873									11	56				
872									12	57	1 Kings 16:29	Ahab reigns 22 years starting in Asa's 38 <sup>th</sup> year		
871									13	58	2 Chronicles 16:12	Asa gets sick in his 39 <sup>th</sup> year		
870									14	59				
869		Osorkon II & Harsiese			Jehoshaphat (with Asa)		39				2	60	1 Kings 22:41-42 2 Chronicles 20:31	Jehoshaphat reigns 25 years starting sole reign in Ahab's 4 <sup>th</sup> year
868									3	61				
867									(1)	62				
866									4	63				
865									5	64				
864									6	65				
863									7	66				
862									8	67				
861									9	68	1 Kings 16:31	Ahab marries Jezebel, daughter of Ethbaal		
860									10	69	Against Apion, I, 123			
859		Osorkon II (Usermaatre-setepenamun)			Jehoshaphat		11				3	70	2 Kings 8:26	Ahaziah (son of Jehoram) born
858									12	71				
857									13	72				
856									14	73				
855									15	74				
854									16	75				
853									17	76	1 Kings 22:51 1 Kings 22:49 2 Chronicles 20:35	Ahaziah reigns 2 years starting 17 <sup>th</sup> year of Jehoshaphat Jehoshaphat co-operated with Ahaziah to build ships		
852									18	77	2 Kings 3:1	Jehoram (son of Ahab) began to reign 18 <sup>th</sup> year of Jehoshaphat		
851									19	78	Monolith Inscription	Ahab and Ben-Hadad II involved in the Battle of Karkar Ben-Hadad attacks Ahab Peace between Israel & Syria for 3 years		
850						Osorkon II (Usermaatre-setepenamun)	Shalmaneser III	Marduk-zakir-shumi I	Jehoram (with Ahab)		20			
849					(1)					80				
848					(2)					81				
847					22					82	Black Obelisk of Shalmaneser	In his 11 <sup>th</sup> year, Shalmaneser III at war with Hadadezer		
846					23					83	2 Kings 8:16 2 Chronicles 21:5, 20	Jehoram (son of Jehoshaphat) began sole reign 5 <sup>th</sup> year of Jehoram (son of Ahab)		
845					24					84				
844					25					85				
843					26					86				
842					27					87				
841					28					88				
840		Mattan I			Hazael		28				5	89	2 Kings 8:15 Black Obelisk of Shalmaneser	Hazael becomes king In his 18 <sup>th</sup> year, Shalmaneser III at war with Hazael
840									1	90	2 Kings 8:25-29 2 Kings 9:29 2 Kings 9:12-13; 10:36 2 Chronicles 22:2, 5-6 2 Kings 11:3	Ahaziah's reign began no earlier than Tishri 841 BCE Ahaziah's reign began before Nisan 840 BCE Jehu reigns 28 years starting in Jehoram's 12 <sup>th</sup> year Ahaziah wounded after joining Jehoram against Hazael Athaliah began reign before Tishri 840 BCE		
840					Athaliah		1				6	91	2 Kings 11:21	Jehoash born

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839							2		90	2 Kings 10:32	Jehu at war with Hazael	See previous page	Israel
838		Osorkon II					3		91	Black Obelisk of Shalmaneser	In his 21 <sup>st</sup> year, Shalmaneser III at war with Hazael		
837		23 <sup>rd</sup> Dynasty				Athaliah	4		92				
836	Mattan I					6 years	5		93				
835			Shalmaneser III				6		94	2 Kings 11:18 2 Chronicles 23:17	Murder of 'Mattan' could be an exaggeration alluding to Mattan I		
834				Marduk-zakir-shumi I			7		95	2 Kings 11:21-12:1	Jehoash reigns 40 years starting in Jehu's 7 <sup>th</sup> year		
833		Hedjkheperre-setepenre Takelot II					2		96				
832							3		97				
831							4		98				
830							5		99				
829							6		100				
828							7		101				
827							8		102				
826							9		103				
825							10		104				
824							11		105				
823		Takelot II & Pedubast					12		106				
822							13		107				
821							14		108				
820							15		109				
819					Marduk-balassu-iqbi			16		110	2 Kings 14:2	Amaziah born	
818								17		111			
817				Shamshi-Adad V		Hazael		18		112			
816								19		113			
815								20		114			
814								21		115			
813				Baba-aha-iddina		Jehoash	22	1	28	116	2 Kings 13:1	Jehoahaz reigns 17 years starting in Jehoash's 23 <sup>rd</sup> year (no earlier than Tishri)	
812		Pedubast (Usermaatre-setepenamun) & luput I					23		117	2 Kings 12:6, 17 2 Kings 13:3, 22	Hazael attacks Jerusalem Jehoahaz was at war with Hazael throughout his reign		
811							24		118				
810				(interregnum, at least 4 years)			25		119				
809							26		120				
808							27		121				
807							28		122				
806		Pedubast					29		123				
805							30		124	2 Kings 14:23	Azariah born		
804							31		125				
803							32		126				
802				Ninurta-apla-X			33		127				
801							34		128				
800							35		129				
799							36		130				
798		Shoshenq VI (Usermaatre-meryamun)					37	Jehoash (with Jehoahaz)	(1) 16	131	2 Kings 13:10	Jehoash (son of Jehoahaz) reigns 16 years, co-regency in 37 <sup>th</sup> year of Jehoash (son of Ahaziah) before sole reign	
797							38		1	17	132		
796			Adad-nirari III				39	Jehoash	2	133	2 Kings 13:24-25 2 Kings 14:1, 2	Jehoash at war with Syria during reign of Ben-hadad III Amaziah reigns 29 years starting in Jehoash's 2 <sup>nd</sup> year (no earlier than Tishri)	
795				(durations uncertain)	Ben-Hadad III		40		3	134			
794						Amaziah	2		4	135			
793						29 years	3		5	136			
792							4		6	2	137		
791							5		7	3	138		
790		Osorkon III (Usermaatre-setepenamun)					6		8	4	139	2 Kings 14:21; 15:2 2 Chronicles 26:1, 3	Azariah reigns 52 years starting at age 16
789							7		9	5	140		
788						Azariah (aka Uzziah)	3		10	6	141	Amos 1:1	Earliest possible year of earthquake
787				Marduk-bel-zeri	?	(with Amaziah)	4		11	7	142		
786							5		12	8	143		
785							6		13	9	144		
784		Pami					7		14	10	145		
783			Shalmaneser IV				8		15	11	146		

Spurious vacancy, adding 12 years

Zechariah  
Shallum

1 year added  
Menahem

Ignores Pekah's rivalry with Menahem and Pekah's co-regency with Pekahiah, adding 10 years

Ignores co-regency, adding 11 years

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															Judah	Israel
782	Pami (Usermaatre-setepenre/amun)	Osorkon III (Usermaatre-setepenamun)	Shalmaneser IV	Marduk-apla-usur (start of reign uncertain)	?	Azariah (aka Uzziah) (with Amaziah)	9	14	(with Jehoash)	16	12	147			See previous page	See previous page
781							10	15	+1	13	148	2 Kings 14:23	Jeroboam reigns 41 years starting sole reign in Azariah's 15 <sup>th</sup> year			
780							11	16	+2	14	149					
779							12	17	+3	15	150					
778							13	18	+4	16	151					
777							14	19	+5	17	152					
776							15	20	+6	18	153					
775							16	21	+7	19	154					
774							17	22	+8	20	155					
773							Osorkon III & Takelot III (Usermaatre-setepenamun)	Shalmaneser IV	Marduk-apla-usur (start of reign uncertain)	Marduk-apla-usur (start of reign uncertain)	?	Azariah (aka Uzziah) (with Amaziah)	18	23		+9
772	19	24	+10	22	157											
771	20	25	+11	23	158											
770	21	26	+12	24	159											
769	22	27	+13	25	160											
768	23	28	+14	26	161											
767	24	29	+15	27	162	2 Kings 14:17 2 Kings 15:1							Azariah begins sole reign 27 <sup>th</sup> year of Jeroboam, 15 years after Jehoash's death			
766	25	30		28	163											
765	26	31		29	164											
764	27	32		30	165											
763	28	33		31	166	Eponym List	Total solar eclipse, 15 June									
762	29	34		32	167	Amos 1:1	Amos prophesies during reigns of Uzziah & Jeroboam, 2 years before earthquake									
761	30	35		33	168											
760	31	36		34	169	International Geology Review 42 p. 657-671	Geological estimate for Amos' earthquake ±25 years									
759	32	37		35	170											
758	33	38		36	171											
757	34	39		37	172											
756	35	40		38	173											
755	36	41		39	174											
754	37			40	175											
753	38			41	176	Zechariah 6 months	Zechariah reigns 6 months in Azariah's 38 <sup>th</sup> year									
752	39				177	Shallum (1 month)	Shallum reigns 1 month in Azariah's 39 <sup>th</sup> year									
751	40				178	Menahem 10 years	Menahem reigns 10 years starting in Azariah's 39 <sup>th</sup> year									
750	41				179		Latest possible year of earthquake									
749	1	42		1	180		Pekah reigns 20 years, initially in rivalry with Menahem									
748	2	43		2	181		Jotham began to reign in Pekah's 2 <sup>nd</sup> year									
747	3	44		3	182											
746	4	45		4	183											
745	5	46		5	184	2 Kings 15:19-20 Assyrian inscription	Menahem pays tribute to Pul (Tiglath-Pileser III)									
744	6	47		6	185											
743	7	48		7	186											
742	8	49		8	187											
741	9	50		9	188											
740	10	51		10	189	Pekahiah 2 years (with Pekah)	Pekahiah reigns 2 years starting in Azariah's 50 <sup>th</sup> year									
739	11	52		11	190		Pekah begins undisputed reign in Azariah's 52 <sup>nd</sup> year									
738	12			12	191		Isaiah starts prophesying in the year Uzziah dies									
737	13			13	192		Hezekiah born									
736	14			14	193		Tiglath-Pileser III received tribute from Hiram II									
735	15			15	194											
734	16			16	195											
733	17			17	196	2 Kings 16:1	Ahaz deposes Jotham 17 <sup>th</sup> year of Pekah, reign disputed									

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732	Hiram II	Osorkon IV (So/Akheperre-setepenamun)	24 <sup>th</sup> Dynasty	Tiglath-Pileser III	Nabu-suma-ukin II (1 month) Nabu-mukin-zeri	Rezin	Ahaz (rivalry with Jotham)	(3)	18	Pekah 20 years	19	197	Israel's guilt (LXX) 2 Kings 16:5-9 Assyrian inscription 1 2 Kings 15:29 1 Chronicles 5:26 Isaiah 7:1, 8	Years for Ephraim Pekah & Rezin attack Jerusalem; Ahaz pays tribute to Tiglath-Pileser to kill Rezin Exiles taken by Tiglath-Pileser during Pekah's reign Ephraim to be 'shattered within 65 years'	Hezekiah	See previous page																																																																																															
731	Mattan II						Piye	Tefnakhte I	Neo-Assyrian Rule								17		Ahaz	(4)	19	Hoshea 9 years	1	20	198	2 Kings 15:30	Hoshea killed Pekah 20 <sup>th</sup> year of Jotham (after Elul)																																																																																				
730																			Sargon II	Bakenranef (Bocchoris)	Tiglath-Pileser III							18			Ahaz	(1)	20	2	199	2	3	2 Kings 16:2	Ahaz' official reign begins after Jotham's death																																																																								
729																															Shalmaneser V	Shalmaneser V	19							0			Ahaz	(4)	20	3	200	3	4	2 Kings 18:1-2	Hezekiah began to reign 3 <sup>rd</sup> year of Hoshea (no earlier than Tishri)																																																												
728																																											Elulaios	Shabaka	Sargon II							18			Ahaz	(6)	12	4	201	4	5	Assyrian inscription	Inscription about Tiglath-Pileser's campaign mentions Hoshea																																																
727																																																							Sargon II	Sargon II	19							0			Ahaz	(6)	12	5	202	5	6																																						
726																																																																			Sargon II	Sargon II	19							1			Ahaz	(6)	12	6	203	6	7																										
725																																																																															Sargon II	Sargon II	19							2			Ahaz	(6)	12	7	204	7	8	2 Kings 18:9 2 Kings 17:3-5	4 <sup>th</sup> year of Hezekiah is 7 <sup>th</sup> year of Hoshea Hoshea conspires with Pharaoh So (Osorkon IV), Shalmaneser imprisons Hoshea; beginning of 3-year siege against Samaria												
724																																																																																											Sargon II	Sargon II	19							3			Ahaz	(6)	12	8	205	8	9		
723																																																																																																							Sargon II	Sargon II	19						
722		Sargon II	Sargon II	19	5						Ahaz	(6)	12	10	207	10																																																																																															
721	Sargon II						Sargon II	19	6				Ahaz				(6)	12				11	208	11	12	Annals of Sargon	Lunar eclipse at the beginning of Sargon's reign (19 March 721 BCE, probably before Nisan)																																																																																				
720													Sargon II				Sargon II	19	7									Ahaz	(6)	12				12	209	12	13																																																																										
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715																																																																												Sargon II	Sargon II	19	12									Ahaz	(6)	12				17	214	17	18	2 Kings 16:20; 18:2 Isaiah 14:28	Hezekiah reigns 29 years starting sole reign after Ahaz' death												
714																																																																																								Sargon II	Sargon II	19	13									Ahaz	(6)	12				18	215	18	19		
713																																																																																																				Sargon II	Sargon II	19	14								
712		Sargon II	Sargon II	19	15									Ahaz	(6)	12																																																																																															
711	Sargon II						Sargon II	19	16					Ahaz	(6)	12						21	218	21	22	Isaiah 20:1 Annals of Sargon	Sargon attacks Ashdod																																																																																				
710													Sargon II	Sargon II	19	17			Ahaz	(6)	12													22	219	22	23	Annals of Sargon	Sargon takes control of Babylon																																																																								
709																			Sargon II	Sargon II	19							18			Ahaz	(6)	12													23	220	23	24																																																														
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707																																											Sargon II	Sargon II	19							20			Ahaz	(6)	12													25	222	25	26	2 Kings 21:1	Manasseh born; see 696 BCE																																				
706																																																							Sargon II	Sargon II	19							21			Ahaz	(6)	12													26	223	26	27																										
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696	Elulaios	Shabaka		Sennacherib	Ashur-nadin-shumi	4	Manasseh (with Hezekiah)	1	20	26	233	36	37	2 Kings 21:1	Manasseh reigns 55 years, co-regency with Hezekiah must begin before Tishri 694 BCE but no earlier than Tishri 697 BCE; see 641 BCE									
695						5		2	21	27	234	37	38											
694	Abd Melqart								0	6	3	22	28	235			38	39						
693										Nergal-ushezib	1	0	4	23			29	236	39	40				
692													1	1			5	24	30	237	40	41		
691													2	2			6	25	31	238	41	42		
690													3	3			7	26	32	239	42	43		
689													4	4			8	27	33	240	43	44		
688													0				9	28	34	241	44	45		
687													1				10	29	35	242	45	46		
686									2				36	243	46	47	LBAT 1417	Eclipse in Sennacherib's 3 <sup>rd</sup> year as king of Babylon (22 April, Saros Series 30)						
685		Sais Kings							3				37	244	47	48								
684					4				38	245	48	49	LBAT 1415	Eclipse in 5 <sup>th</sup> year of Sennacherib (30 March, Saros Series 50)										
683					5				39	246	49	50												
682					6				40	247	50	51												
681		Tefnakht II			7				41	248	51	52												
680					0	8			42	249	52	53												
679					1				43	250	53	54												
678					2				44	251	54	55												
677					3				45	252	55	56												
676					4				46	253	56	57												
675					5				47	254	57	58												
674					6				48	255	58	59												
673					7				49	256	59	60												
672					8				50	257	60	61	Assyrian inscription	Esar-Haddon wounds Taharqa and rules over Egypt										
671					9				51	258	61	62												
670					10				52	259	62	63												
669					11				53	260	63	64	2 Chronicles 33:11 Assyrian inscription Isaiah 7:8 Ezra 4:2	Manasseh taken captive by king of Assyria Manasseh pays tribute to Esar-Haddon Exiles taken during reign of Esar-Haddon, 'within 65 years'										
668					12				54	261	64	65	Assyrian inscriptions	Taharqa revolts against Ashurbanipal Manasseh pays tribute to Ashurbanipal										
667									55	262	65		LBAT 1417	Eclipse in accession year of Shamash-shum-ukin (2 May, Saros Series 30)										
666					0				56	263	66		LBAT 1415	Eclipse in 2 <sup>nd</sup> year of Shamash-shum-ukin (10 April, Saros Series 50)										
665					1				57	264	67													
664					2				58	265	68													
663					3				59	266	69													
662					4				60	267	70		2 Kings 21:19	Amon born; see 641 BCE										
661					5				61	268	71													
660					6				62	269	72													
659					7				63	270	73													
658					8				64	271	74													
657					9				65	272	75													
656					10				66	273	76													
655					11				67	274	77													
654					12				68	275	78		BM 41222	Position of Mercury in 14 <sup>th</sup> year of Shamash-shum-ukin										
653					13				69	276	79													
652					14				70	277	80		BM 32312 Akitu Chronicle	Positions of planets in 16 <sup>th</sup> year of Shamash-shum-ukin (year identified by references to same battle as Akitu Chronicle)										
651					15				71	278	81		BM 41222	Position of Mercury in 17 <sup>th</sup> year of Shamash-shum-ukin										
650					16				72	279	82		LBAT 1417	Eclipse in 18 <sup>th</sup> year of Shamash-shum-ukin (13 May, Saros Series 30)										
649					17				73	280	83		BM 41222	Position of Mercury in 19 <sup>th</sup> year of Shamash-shum-ukin										
648					18				74	281	84													
647					19				75	282	85		BM 76738 & BM 76813 BM 41222	Positions of Saturn during 14 years of Kandalanu's reign Position of Mercury in 1 <sup>st</sup> year of Kandalanu										
646					20				76	283	86		2 Kings 22:1	Josiah born										
645					1				77	284	87													
644					2				78	285	88													
643					3				79	286	89													
642					4				80	287	90													



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641					Amon 1	81	288	91	2 Kings 21:19	Amon begins 2-year reign before Tishri 640 BCE and no earlier than Tishri 642 BCE; see 696 BCE			
640					2 years 2	82	289	92					
639					1	83	290	93	2 Kings 22:1	Josiah reigns 31 years			
638					2	84	291	94					
637					3	85	292	95					
636			Asenappar/ Ashurbanipal		4	86	293	96	BM 41222	Position of Mercury in 12 <sup>th</sup> year of Kandalanu			
635					5	87	294	97					
634					6	88	295	98	BM 76738 & BM 76813	Positions of Saturn during Kandalanu's reign	Josiah		
633					7	89	296	99					
632				Kandalanu	8	90	297	100	2 Kings 23:36 LBAT 1417 BM 41222	Jehoiakim born Eclipse in 16 <sup>th</sup> year of Kandalanu (13 May, Saros Series 30) Position of Mercury in 16 <sup>th</sup> year of Kandalanu			
631					9	91	298	101	2 Kings 23:31	Jehoahaz born			
630					10	92	299	102					
629			Ashur-etil-ilani		11	93	300	103					
628					12	94	301	104	2 Chronicles 34:3	Josiah begins removing idols in his 12 <sup>th</sup> year	Jehoahaz		
627					13	Jeremiah prophesying Judah's guilt	95	302	105	Jeremiah 1:2	Beginning of Jeremiah's prophesying		
626			Sin-shar-ishkun (Sin-shumu-lishir)	Sin-shumu-lishir Sin-shar-ishkun	14		96	303	106	1	Sin-shumu-lishir and Sin-shar-ishkun each briefly ruled in Babylon for a few months, but Ptolemy's Canon attributes the period to Kandalanu		
625				Neo-Babylonian Empire Dynasty X	15		97	304	107	2		Eliakim	
624					16		98	305	108	3			
623					17	Law found	99	306	109	4	2 Kings 22:3, 8 2 Chronicles 34:8, 18	"Book of the Law" 'found' in temple (no earlier than Tishri 623 BCE)	
622					18		100	307	110	5			
621					19		101	308	111	6			
620					20		102	309	112	7			
619			Sin-shar-ishkun		21		103	310	113	8	BM 41222	Position of Mercury in 7 <sup>th</sup> year of Nabopolassar	
618					22		104	311	114	9			Jehoiachin
617					23		105	312	115	10	2 Kings 24:18	Zedekiah born	
616					24		106	313	116	11			
615					25		107	314	117	12			
614				Nabopolassar	26		108	315	118	13	2 Kings 24:8	Jehoiachin born	
613					27		109	316	119	14	BM 41222	Position of Mercury in 12 <sup>th</sup> year of Nabopolassar	
612					28		110	317	120	15	BM 21901, 47	Position of Mercury in 13 <sup>th</sup> year of Nabopolassar	
611					29		111	318	121	16		Babylon captures Nineveh from Assyria	Mattaniah
610			Ashur-uballit II		30		112	319	122	17			
609			Assyrian Empire ended		31		113	320	123	18	2 Kings 23:29 2 Chronicles 35:20;36:1 Jeremiah 25:11	Josiah killed by Pharaoh Necho Babylon captures Harran from Assyria, becomes world power, 70 years begin	
608					1		114	321	124	19	2 Kings 23:31-36	Jehoahaz reigns 3 months, imprisoned Jehoiakim appointed as king, reigns 11 years	
607					2		115	322	125	20			Gedaliah (governor)
606					3		116	323	126	21		See 605 BCE - 600 BCE on page 13	
605		Necho II (Wehemibre)			4		117	324	127	22	BM 21946, 1-7 Jeremiah 45:1-5 Jeremiah 46:1-2 Jeremiah 36:1 Jeremiah 25:1-3 BM 21946, 10-11 Jeremiah 36:9	Battle of Carchemish Warnings of imminent calamity 23 <sup>rd</sup> year of Jeremiah's prophesying Nebuchadnezzar becomes king Fast proclaimed (9 <sup>th</sup> month [December])	
604				Nebuchadnezzar II (Nebuchadrezzar)	5		118	325	128	23	Jeremiah 25:17-18, 29 BM 21946, 12-13 Daniel 1:1, 2	Jerusalem feels effects of Babylon's power Nebuchadnezzar attacks Hatti land Accession year of Nebuchadnezzar & 3 <sup>rd</sup> year of Jehoiakim (Nisan/accession dating), captives taken [February]; see also footnote on page 13.	
603					6		119	326	129	24	2 Kings 24:1 Daniel 2:1	Jehoiakim pays tribute for 3 full years Nebuchadnezzar's dream in 2 <sup>nd</sup> regnal year	

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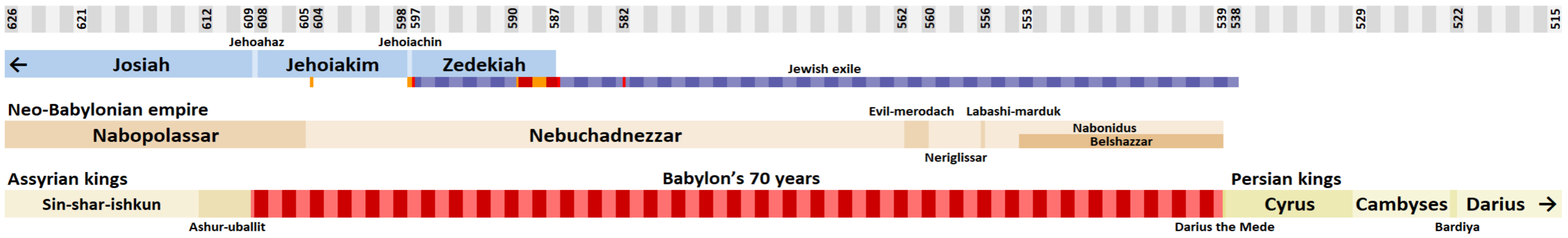
JW chronology inserts 20 years into the Neo-Babylonian period, and places the end of the '390 years' of Ezekiel 4:5 in 607 BCE, 68 years before the actual end of the period in 539 BCE

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602	?	Necho II (Wehemibre)		3	7	21	3 120 327 130 25	LBAT 1420	See 604 BCE – 587 BCE on page 14	7	See previous page		
601				4	8	22	4 121 328 131 26	Daniel 1:5 BM 21946, rev., 6–7	End of training for children taken to Babylon Nebuchadnezzar attacks Egypt	8			
600				5	Jehoiakim (aka Eliakim) 11 years	9	23	5 122 329 132 27	2 Kings 24:1 Antiquities, X:6.2	Jehoiakim refuses paying tribute during 4 <sup>th</sup> year Nebuchadnezzar's 4 <sup>th</sup> year, early 600 BCE		9	
599				6		10	24	6 123 330 133 28	2 Kings 24:2 BM 21946, rev., 8	Nebuchadnezzar gathers army in Babylon		10	
598				7		11	25	7 124 331 134 29	2 Kings 24:8–11 BM 21946, rev., 11	Nebuchadnezzar's 8 <sup>th</sup> (7 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year, siege begins [December]		11	
597				8	Jehoiachin 3 months	1	18	26	8 125 332 135 30	2 Kings 24:12 Jeremiah 52:28		After Jehoiachin reigns 3 months, exile begins Zedekiah began reign 12 <sup>th</sup> month [March] of Nebuchadnezzar's 8 <sup>th</sup> [7 <sup>th</sup> regnal] year)	12
596				9		2	21	27	9 126 333 136 31	2 Kings 24:18 BM 21946, rev., 12–13		Zedekiah began reign 12 <sup>th</sup> month [March] of Nebuchadnezzar's 8 <sup>th</sup> [7 <sup>th</sup> regnal] year)	13
595				10		3	28	28	10 127 334 137 32	LBAT 1420		Eclipses in 1 <sup>st</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> years of Nebuchadnezzar	14
594				11		4	29	29	11 128 335 138 33	Jeremiah 28:1 Jeremiah 28:17 Jeremiah 51:59		Jeremiah refutes claim that exiles would return in 2 years (5 <sup>th</sup> month [August]) Hananiah dies (7 <sup>th</sup> month [October]) Prophecy against Babylon	15
593				12	Psammetichus II (Neferibre)	5	30	30	12 129 336 139 34	Ezekiel 1:1–2		Ezekiel starts to prophesy 30 <sup>th</sup> year after "Book of the Law" found in temple; see 623 BCE	16
592	13		6			13 130 337 140 35	Ezekiel 8:1	Visions of Jerusalem (6 <sup>th</sup> month [September])	17				
591	14		7			14 131 338 141 36	Ezekiel 20:1 LBAT 1419	Ezekiel responds to elders (5 <sup>th</sup> month [August]) Eclipse in 14 <sup>th</sup> year of Nebuchadnezzar	18				
590	15		Zedekiah (aka Mattaniah) 11 years	8		15 132 339 142 37		See 589 BCE – 586 BCE on page 15	19				
589	16			9		16 133 340 143 38	Ezekiel 24:1 2 Kings 25:1 Jeremiah 39:1	Siege begins in 9 <sup>th</sup> year of exile, 9 <sup>th</sup> year of Zedekiah (10 <sup>th</sup> month [January])	20				
588	17			10		17 134 341 144 39	Ezekiel 29:1 Jeremiah 32:1	Prophecies against Egypt (10 <sup>th</sup> month [January]) 10 <sup>th</sup> year of Zedekiah is 18 <sup>th</sup> (17 <sup>th</sup> regnal) of Nebuchadnezzar	21				
587	18	Apries (Hophra/Haaibre)		11		18 135 342 145	Jeremiah 37:5	Break in siege while Egypt attempts to assist	22				
586	19		Gedaliah			19 136 343 146	Ezekiel 30:20; 31:1 Jeremiah 39:2 Jeremiah 52:6, 7 40 Jeremiah 52:10–14, 29 2 Kings 25:6–9 Jeremiah 1:3 Ezekiel 4:6–7	Prophecies against Egypt (April, June) City walls breached (4 <sup>th</sup> month [July]) Zedekiah's sons killed, Zedekiah exiled, temple destroyed (5 <sup>th</sup> month [August]) End of Judah's 40 years of guilt	23				
585	20					20 137 344 147	2 Kings 25:22	Gedaliah made governor	24				
584	21					21 138 345 148	Ezekiel 26:1–2 2 Kings 25:25 Jeremiah 40:13; 41:1–2 Jeremiah 44:30 Zechariah 1:12	Prophecy against Tyre (after Jerusalem) Gedaliah killed (7 <sup>th</sup> month [October]) Jeremiah prophesies against Hophra See 517 BCE	25				
583	22					22 139 346 149	Ezekiel 33:21 Ezekiel 32:1, 17 Against Apion I:1.21 Antiquities X:10.1	News of fall (10 <sup>th</sup> month [January]) Against Egypt (12 <sup>th</sup> month [March]) Siege against Tyre begins	26				
582	23					23 140 347 150	Ezekiel 4:4 (LXX) Jeremiah 52:30	End of Israel's 150 years of guilt Exiles taken in Nebuchadnezzar's 23 <sup>rd</sup> regnal year	27				

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581	Eshbaal III (Ithobaal)	Apries (Hophra/Haaibre)	24		6	6	6	LBAT 1420	See 580 BCE – 576 BCE on page 16	6	28																																																							
580												Tyre under Babylon	25		7	7	7	Daniel 2:32a, 37-38: Gold head (Nebuchadnezzar)	Eclipses in 24 <sup>th</sup> to 29 <sup>th</sup> years of Nebuchadnezzar	7	29																																													
579																						Nebuchadnezzar II (Nebuchadrezzar)	26		8	8	8	Daniel 9:25: 7 weeks (weeks 1-3)	19	30																																				
578																															Apries (Hophra) & Amasis II	27		9	9	9	Daniel 7:4: Winged lion	20	31																											
577																																								Baal II	28		10	10	10	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	21	32																		
576																																																	Yakinbaal Chelbes	29		11	11	11	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	22	33									
575																																																										Abbar	30		12	12	12	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	23	34
574																																																																		
573	Baal-Eser III	32		14	14	14	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	25	36																																																									
572										Mahar-Baal	33		15	15	15	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	26	37																																																
571																			Amasis II (Khnemibre)	34		16	16	16	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	27	38																																							
570																												Hiram III	35		17	17	17	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	28	39																														
569																																					Achaemenid Empire Dynasty XI	36		18	18	18	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	29	40																					
568																																														Darius the Mede (governor, a few weeks)	37		19	19	19	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	30	41												
567																																																							Cyrus II	38		20	20	20	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	31	42			
566																																																																Belshazzar (with Nabonidus)	39	
565	Cyrus II	40		22	22	22	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	33	44																																																									
564										Cyrus II	41		23	23	23	Daniel 9:25: 62 weeks (weeks 4-6)	34	45																																																
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538	Hiram III	Amasis II (Khnemibre)	Cyrus II	Joshua (aka Jeshua)	49	2 Chronicles 36:21-23 Cyrus Cylinder Isaiah 44:28 Daniel 9:25 Ezra 3:1 Antiquities XI:1.1 Leviticus 25:8; 26:18-35	Cyrus decrees to repatriate exiles 'Messiah' (Cyrus) decrees reconstruction of temple at end of 7 'weeks' Jews in Judea (7 <sup>th</sup> month [September/October]) End of 49 years of Sabbath rest
537					50	Ezra 3:8 Against Apion 1 Antiquities XI:4.2 Leviticus 25:10	Reconstruction of temple begins (2 <sup>nd</sup> month [April]) Jubilee year, 50 years after destruction
536					31	Daniel 10:1	Vision of 'kings of north and south'
535					32		
534					33	Ezra 4:5	Temple work slowed until reign of Darius
533					34		
532					35		
531					36		
530					37		
529					38	Ezra 4:6	Complaint to 'Ahasuerus' (Cambyses II)
528	39						
527	40						
526		Psammetichus III (Ankhaenre)	Cambyses II ('Ahasuerus')			Ezekiel 29:13	End of '40 years' (Amasis II)
525		Egypt under Persia (27 <sup>th</sup> Dynasty)				Ezekiel 29:14	Egypt subject to Persian Empire
524							
523							
522			Bardiya ('Artaxerxes')			Ezra 4:7	Construction halted by 'Artaxerxes' (Bardiya)
521			Nebuchadnezzar III (3 months)			Antiquities XI:3.1	Darius appointed
520			Nebuchadnezzar IV (3 months)			Antiquities XI:2.2 Ezra 4:24 Haggai 1:1, 14-15 Haggai 2:1, 10 Zechariah 1:1	Temple building resumes, 9 years after complaint to Cambyses ('Ahasuerus')
519			Darius I			Zechariah 1:7, 12	Vision of future end of 70 years of denunciation (11 <sup>th</sup> month [February])
518						Zechariah 7:1-5	Sharezer and Regem-melech ask about fasts (9 <sup>th</sup> month [December])
517						Zechariah 1:12	70 years of denunciation finished (December 518 BCE)
516							
515						Ezra 6:15, 19	Temple completed (12 <sup>th</sup> month [March]) Passover held (1 <sup>st</sup> month [April])

Jerusalem denounced (annual fasts) 587 BCE - 517 BCE



605 BCE – 600 BCE

Month	Neo-Babylonian Kings	Jehoiakim		Source	Comments	
		Tishri/ Non-Accession	Nisan/ Accession			
Jan 605	Nabopolassar's 21 <sup>st</sup> (20 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	4 <sup>th</sup> year	2 <sup>nd</sup> year	Jeremiah 36:1	During Jehoiakim's 4 <sup>th</sup> year, Jeremiah records warning	
Feb						
Mar						
Apr						
May	Nabopolassar's 22 <sup>nd</sup> (21 <sup>st</sup> regnal) year	4 <sup>th</sup> year	2 <sup>nd</sup> year			
Jun				Jeremiah 46:2	Necho II defeated by Nebuchadnezzar at Carchemish [summer]	
Jul						
Aug			BM 21946, 10–11	Nebuchadnezzar returns to Babylon to claim throne		
Sep	Nebuchadnezzar's 1 <sup>st</sup> (accession) year	3 <sup>rd</sup> year	2 <sup>nd</sup> year	Jeremiah 25:1	1 <sup>st</sup> year of Nebuchadnezzar is 4 <sup>th</sup> year of Jehoiakim	
Oct						
Nov						
Dec			Jeremiah 36:9	Fast proclaimed in Jerusalem (9 <sup>th</sup> month [December])		
Jan 604		3 <sup>rd</sup> year	2 <sup>nd</sup> year	BM 21946, 12	Nebuchadnezzar in the Hatti-land (specific month of departure from Babylon not stated)	
Feb						
Mar	5 <sup>th</sup> year		3 <sup>rd</sup> year	Tribute	2 Kings 24:1 Daniel 1:1, 2 BM 21946, 13	Nebuchadnezzar at Jerusalem, Jehoiakim pays tribute; see footnote Daniel* given as part of tribute [February], accession year of Nebuchadnezzar & 3 <sup>rd</sup> regnal year of Jehoiakim
Apr						
May	Nebuchadnezzar's 2 <sup>nd</sup> (1 <sup>st</sup> regnal) year	4 <sup>th</sup> year	4 <sup>th</sup> year		(Beginning of Jehoiakim's 1 <sup>st</sup> full year of tribute)	
Jun					Daniel 1:5	Possible beginning of training, allowing time for travel
Jul						
Aug						
Sep	Nebuchadnezzar's 3 <sup>rd</sup> (2 <sup>nd</sup> regnal) year	5 <sup>th</sup> year	5 <sup>th</sup> year			
Oct						
Nov						
Dec						
Jan 603	Nebuchadnezzar's 4 <sup>th</sup> (3 <sup>rd</sup> regnal) year	6 <sup>th</sup> year	6 <sup>th</sup> year			
Feb						
Mar						(End of Jehoiakim's 1 <sup>st</sup> full year of tribute)
Apr					Daniel 2:1 Daniel 1:17	Daniel* interprets dream during 2 <sup>nd</sup> regnal year of Nebuchadnezzar Daniel known for interpreting dreams before end of three years
May	Nebuchadnezzar's 4 <sup>th</sup> (3 <sup>rd</sup> regnal) year	6 <sup>th</sup> year	6 <sup>th</sup> year			
Jun						
Jul						
Aug						
Sep	Nebuchadnezzar's 5 <sup>th</sup> (4 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	7 <sup>th</sup> year	7 <sup>th</sup> year			
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Jan 602	Nebuchadnezzar's 5 <sup>th</sup> (4 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	7 <sup>th</sup> year	7 <sup>th</sup> year			
Feb						
Mar						(End of Jehoiakim's 2 <sup>nd</sup> full year of tribute)
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Oct						
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Jan 601	Nebuchadnezzar's 5 <sup>th</sup> (4 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	7 <sup>th</sup> year	7 <sup>th</sup> year			
Feb						
Mar						(End of Jehoiakim's 3 <sup>rd</sup> full year of tribute)
Apr					Daniel 1:5	Youths presented to Nebuchadnezzar after 3 full years of training
May	Nebuchadnezzar's 5 <sup>th</sup> (4 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	7 <sup>th</sup> year	7 <sup>th</sup> year			
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Dec					BM 21946, rev., 6–7	Nebuchadnezzar attempts to attack Egypt
Jan 600	Nebuchadnezzar's 5 <sup>th</sup> (4 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	7 <sup>th</sup> year	7 <sup>th</sup> year	2 Kings 24:1 Antiquities, X:6.2	Jehoiakim refuses to pay during 4 <sup>th</sup> year of tribute	
Feb						
Mar						

\* An individual named Alex Young has published an article falsely claiming the author of this timeline believes a siege was actually attempted in 604 BCE. The 'siege' is reported only in *Daniel*, which was written in the 2<sup>nd</sup> century BCE and is not an authority on events in the Neo-Babylonian period. The anonymous author of *Daniel* may have mistakenly conflated events in early 604 BCE with those of late 598 BCE. The historicity of *Daniel* is disputed; the 'Daniel' character is used as a literary device, however the stated years of reign are consistent with other records. For more information, see <https://jeffro77.wordpress.com/2023/10/10/misrepresentations-by-alex-young>.

604 BCE – 587 BCE (LBAT 1420/BM 38462)

Year	Date	Neo-Babylonian King	Saros	Type	Magnitude <sup>*</sup>	Line	Comments	Match
<b>Obverse I<sup>†</sup></b>								
604	13 Jun	Nebuchadnezzar 1 <sup>st</sup> regnal year	59	Penumbra	0.9383	1	Eclipse in Month III	✓
	7 Nov		26	Penumbra	0.3881	—	(Eclipse not in tablet)	—
	6 Dec		64	Penumbra	0.3882	2	Eclipse in [Month IX]	✓
603	3 May	2 <sup>nd</sup> regnal year	31	Partial	0.0015	3	Eclipse in [Month II], 5 months after prior eclipse	✓
							Month VI was intercalary <sup>‡</sup>	✓
	28 Oct		36	Partial	0.5750	4–6	Eclipse in Month VII. Observation details describe partial eclipse after sunset with ½ covered, consistent with this eclipse (58%).	✓
602	22 Apr	3 <sup>rd</sup> regnal year	41	Total	1.4751	7	Eclipse in Month I	✓
	17 Oct		46	Total	1.8070		Eclipse in Month VII	✓
601	11 Apr	4 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	51	Partial	0.8371	8–10	Eclipse in Month I. Observation details describe partial eclipse after sunset with ¾ covered, consistent with this eclipse (84%).	✓
	5 Oct		56	Partial	0.5106	11	Eclipse in Month VII	✓
600	2 Mar	5 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	23	Penumbra	0.4850	—	(Eclipse not in tablet)	—
	31 Mar		61	Penumbra	0.5166	12	[Eclipse in Month I]	✓
	25 Aug		28	Penumbra	0.0752		(Eclipse not in tablet)	—
	24 Sep		66	Penumbra	0.3330		Eclipse in Month VI <sub>2</sub> .	✓
599	20 Feb		33	Partial	0.7436	13–16	Eclipse in [Month XI], 5 months after prior eclipse. Observation details describe partial eclipse after sunset with ⅔ covered, consistent with this partial eclipse (74%).	✓

<b>Obverse II</b>									
595	27 Nov	Nebuchadnezzar 10 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	45	Total	1.8690	1–2	Eclipse in Month VIII. Observation details include interpolations but are consistent with this eclipse.	✓	
594	24 May	11 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	50	Total	1.1019	3–4	Eclipse in Month II. Observation details indicate total eclipse after sunset, consistent with this eclipse.	✓	
	17 Nov		55	Partial	0.6442	4	Eclipse in Month VIII	✓	
							Month XII was intercalary	✓	
593	12 May	12 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	60	Penumbra	0.7883	5	Eclipse in Month [I]	✓	
	7 Oct		27	Penumbra	0.1938		(Eclipse not in tablet)	—	
	5 Nov		65	Penumbra	0.3142		Eclipse in Month VII	✓	
592	2 Apr	13 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	32	Partial	0.4746	6–7	Eclipse in Month XII. Observation details include interpolations but describe an eclipse after sunset consistent with this eclipse.	✓	
	26 Sep		37	Partial	0.3175	8	Eclipse in Month VI	✓	
591	22 Mar	14 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	42	Total	1.8267	9	Eclipse in [Month XII]. Observation details describe moon already eclipsed when it appeared, consistent with this total eclipse at moonrise.	✓	
	15 Sep		47	Total	1.6162	10	Eclipse in Month VI	✓	
590	12 Mar	15 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	52	Partial	0.5800	11	[Eclipse in Month XII]	✓	
							Month XII [was intercalary]	✓	
589	4 Sep	16 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	57	Partial	0.7212	12	Eclipse in Month V	✓	
	31 Jan		24	Penumbra	0.3971		Eclipse in Month X[I]	✓	
	29 Feb		62	Penumbra	0.1363		—	(Eclipse not in tablet)	—
	25 Jul		29	Penumbra	0.4753		13	Eclipse in Month IV	✓
	24 Aug		67	Penumbra	0.4828	—	(Eclipse not in tablet)	—	
588	19 Jan	17 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	34	Partial	0.5409	14–15	Eclipse in [Month X]. Observation details describe partial eclipse before sunrise with half covered, consistent with this partial eclipse (54%).	✓	
	15 Jul		39	Partial	0.8272	16	Eclipse in Month IV	✓	
587	8 Jan		44	Total	1.7966	17–18	Eclipse in [Month X]. Observation details include interpolations but describe moon as all covered, consistent with this total eclipse.	✓	

\* For penumbral eclipses, the penumbral magnitude is provided. For partial or total eclipses, the umbral magnitude is provided.

† The references to Nebuchadnezzar's years of reign in the Obverse I section of the tablet are damaged, but are generally considered to refer to start from his first year. Because the text is damaged, all details in Obverse I are treated as assumptions.

‡ Intercalary months confirmed by comparison with Parker and Dubberstein's *Babylonian Chronology*—626 B.C.–A.D. 75.

**Month Ranges**  
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<b>Legend</b>	
Observation is a good match without interpolations	✓
Observation is a good match but includes assumptions	✓
Eclipse not mentioned in tablet	—
Observation contains a minor inconsistency	✗
Observation contains major inconsistencies	✗

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## 599 BCE – 597 BCE

Month	Neo-Babylonian Kings	Judean Kings	Exile	Source	Comments		
Dec 599	Nebuchadnezzar's 7 <sup>th</sup> (6 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	Eliakim (Jehoiakim)			Marauder bands sent by Nebuchadnezzar (December 599 BCE – March 598 BCE)		
Jan 598				2 Kings 24:2			
Feb				<i>BM 21946</i> , rev., 9–10			
Mar							
Apr							
May							
Jun							
Jul							
Aug							
Sep							
Oct	Nebuchadnezzar's 8 <sup>th</sup> (7 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	Eliakim (Jehoiakim)		2 Kings 24:2	Jehoiakim deposed, killed or captured prior to siege, probably before Tishri, with "no one to sit on the throne of David"		
Nov				Jeremiah 22:19; 36:30			
Dec				2 Chronicles 36:9			
Jan 597		Jehoiachin 3 months		2 Kings 24:8, 10	Jehoiachin began reign 9 December 598 BCE (Cheshvan), 3 months & 10 days before end of siege; siege begins in or after Kislev, Jehoiakim already dead/deposed		
Feb			<i>BM 21946</i> , rev., 11–12				
Mar				2 Kings 24:12	Exiles taken, including Jehoiachin; Zedekiah began reign 12 <sup>th</sup> month of Nebuchadnezzar's 8 <sup>th</sup> year (16 March 597 BCE)		
Apr				Jeremiah 52:28			
May							
Jun	Nebuchadnezzar's 9 <sup>th</sup> (8 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	Mattaniah (Zedekiah)	1				
Jul							
Aug							
Sep							
Oct							
Nov					2		
Dec							

## 589 BCE – 586 BCE

Month	Neo-Babylonian Kings	Judean Kings	Exile	Source	Comments	
Jan 589	Nebuchadnezzar's 16 <sup>th</sup> (15 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	Zedekiah's 9 <sup>th</sup> year		Ezekiel 24:1	9 <sup>th</sup> year of Zedekiah, siege begins [January]	
Feb				2 Kings 25:1		
Mar				Jeremiah 39:1		
Apr				Jeremiah 52:4		
May						
Jun						
Jul						
Aug						
Sep	Nebuchadnezzar's 17 <sup>th</sup> (16 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	Zedekiah's 9 <sup>th</sup> year	9			
Oct						
Nov						
Dec						
Jan 588						
Feb						
Mar						
Apr	Nebuchadnezzar's 18 <sup>th</sup> (17 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	Zedekiah's 10 <sup>th</sup> year	10	Jeremiah 32:1	18 <sup>th</sup> year of Nebuchadnezzar is 10 <sup>th</sup> year of Zedekiah	
May						
Jun						
Jul						
Aug						
Sep						
Oct						
Nov						
Dec						
Jan 587						
Feb						
Mar	Nebuchadnezzar's 19 <sup>th</sup> (18 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year	Zedekiah's 11 <sup>th</sup> year	11			
Apr						
May						
Jun						
Jul				Jeremiah 52:6–11	Famine, city walls broken, Zedekiah imprisoned, sons killed	
Aug				2 Kings 25:3–7		
Sep				2 Kings 25:9	19 <sup>th</sup> (18 <sup>th</sup> regnal) year of Nebuchadnezzar, exiles taken, Jerusalem (including temple) destroyed	
Oct		Gedaliah (governor)		Jeremiah 52:12–14,29	End of Jeremiah's prophesying	
Nov				Jeremiah 1:3		
Dec						
Jan 586			12	2 Kings 25:25	Gedaliah killed	
Feb				Zechariah 1:12	70 years of denunciation begins (temple destroyed)	
Mar						
Apr						
May						
Jun						
Jul						
Aug						
Sep						
Oct						
Nov						
Dec						
Jan 586				Ezekiel 33:21	Ezekiel learns of Jerusalem's destruction	

**580 BCE – 576 BCE (LBAT 1420/BM 38462)**

Year	Date	Neo-Babylonian King	Saros	Type	Magnitude <sup>*</sup>	Line	Comments	Match
<b>Reverse</b>								
<b>580</b>	19 Feb	Nebuchadnezzar 24 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	43	Total	1.6845	1'-2'	Damaged observation details suggest eclipse around sunset prior to Year 25, consistent with this total eclipse.	✓
	15 Aug		48	Total	1.8129	3'	Eclipse in Month V. Reference to an eclipse after sunset consistent with this total eclipse.	✓
<b>579</b>	8 Feb	25 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	53	Partial	0.3169	4'	Eclipse in Month XI. Observation provides little detail but consistent with this partial eclipse in the evening.	✓
	4 Aug		58	Partial	0.6382	5'	Eclipse in Month V	✓
	30 Dec	25	Penumbral	0.2431	(Eclipse not in tablet)		—	
<b>578</b>	28 Jan	26 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	63	Penumbral	0.1611		Eclipse in Month XI	✓
					Month XII was intercalary <sup>†</sup>	✓		
	25 Jun	27 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	30	Penumbral	0.6695	Eclipse in Month III, 5 months after prior eclipse	✓	
	25 Jul		68	Penumbral	0.2064	(Eclipse not in tablet)	—	
19 Dec	35		Partial	0.5872	Eclipse in Month IX	✓		
<b>577</b>	14 Jun	28 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	40	Partial	0.9867	7'-9'	Eclipse in Month III. Observation details include interpolations but describe moon setting while eclipsed, consistent with this near-total eclipse.	✓
	8 Dec		45	Total	1.8677	10'-12'	Eclipse in [Month IX]. Observation details in tablet include interpolations but describe total eclipse consistent with this total eclipse.	✓
<b>576</b>	3 Jun	29 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	50	Total	1.2647	13'-15'	Eclipse in Month II. Observation details are damaged but describe eclipse before sunrise consistent with this total eclipse.	✓

\* For penumbral eclipses, the penumbral magnitude is provided. For partial or total eclipses, the umbral magnitude is provided.

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Legend	
Observation is a good match without interpolations	✓
Observation is a good match but includes assumptions	✓
Eclipse not mentioned in tablet	—
Observation contains a minor inconsistency	X
Observation contains major inconsistencies	X

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Date	Neo-Babylonian Kings	Exile	Line	Comments	Match	
1 Apr 568	Nebuchadnezzar's 36 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	30	6	8 <sup>th</sup> of month XII <sub>2</sub> ; Adar II began the evening of 24 March	✓	
22 Apr (pm)			1	Moon visible behind Taurus	✓	
23 Apr (am)			2	Saturn in front of 'the Swallow' (Pisces)	✓	
23-24 Apr				Moon in front of [Gemini]	✓	
30 Apr-1 May			3	Moon visible <b>behind</b> β Virginis; 9 <sup>th</sup> may be error for 8 <sup>th</sup>	X	
3-4 May			4	Jupiter acronychal (rises at sunset and visible all night)	✓	
6 May (am)				Sunrise to moonset 16 minutes	✓	
7 May (pm)			Venus [...]; observation missing, but Venus was visible this evening	✓		
22 May (pm)			8	Moon visible below β Geminorum	✓	
23 May (am)			9	Saturn in front of 'the Swallow' (Pisces); Mercury had set, not visible	✓	
23 May (pm)			9-10	[Mars] in [Cancer in front] of Venus to the west	✓	
24 May (pm)			10	Mars entered Praesepe	✓	
27 May				Mars went out of Praesepe	✓	
31 May (pm)				Mercury [set] in the west behind [Gemini]	✓	
8 Jun (pm)			11	Venus <b>in front of</b> α Leonis	X	
17 Jun (am)				Moonrise to sunrise <b>92</b> minutes (12 minutes longer)*	X	
20 Jun (pm)			12	Moon visible behind Cancer	✓	
			12-14	Mars and Mercury in front of α [Leonis]; Mercury passed below Mars to the East; Jupiter above α Scorpii; Venus in west opposite θ Leonis	✓	
24 Jun (pm)			14	<b>Moon in Virgo, not near "end of Lion's foot"</b> ; would be correct position on 3 <sup>rd</sup> day rather than 5 <sup>th</sup>	X	
27 Jun (pm)			15	Moon below β Librae	✓	
28 Jun (pm)			15-16	Moon in front of [β Scorpii]	✓	
29 Jun			16	Solstice	✓	
29 Jun (pm)				Moon above α Scorpii	✓	
1 Jul (pm)				Mars above [α Leonis]	✓	
5 Jul (am)	17	Sunrise to moonset 33 minutes (3 minutes longer)	✓			
5 Jul or later	18	[Mars] below bright star at end of [Lion's] foot	✓			
Aug - Dec	Nebuchadnezzar's 37 <sup>th</sup> regnal year	31				
Jan 567						
Before 2 Feb			2'-3'	[?] ... "elbow of Sagittarius" (δ Sagittarii); if relative to the moon, possibly 9 January before sunrise; alternatively, Jupiter was in the vicinity all of January and into February	✓	
2 Feb (am)			3'	Venus below Capricorn	✓	
12 Feb (pm)			5'	Moon visible in 'the Swallow' (Pisces)	✓	
13 Feb (am)				Sunset to moonset <b>69</b> minutes (11 minutes longer) Jupiter behind elbow of Sagittarius	X	
16 Feb (am)			6'	Venus below Capricorn	✓	
17 Feb (pm)				Moon halo surrounds Pleiades, Taurus and the Chariot <sup>†</sup>	✓	
22-23 Feb			7'	Moon halo surrounds Leo and Cancer α Leonis below moon	✓	
Between 23 Feb and 6 Mar			8'	Possibly 25 February; sunrise to moonset <b>20</b> minutes (8 minutes shorter)	X	
6 Mar (am)			9'-10'	[Mars] behind Capricorn	✓	
14 Mar (pm)			12'	Moon visible behind Aries Sunset to moonset 103 minutes (3 minutes longer)	✓	
15 Mar (pm)			13'	Moon below η Tauri	✓	
20 Mar (pm)			14'	Moon halo surrounds Praesepe and α Leonis	✓	
21 Mar (pm)			15'	Moon halo surrounds Cancer and Leo; moon in front of [α Leonis]	✓	
26 Mar (am)			16'-17'	[Mercury] in front of the "band" of 'the Swallow' (Pisces) below Venus; Mercury already high when it became visible below Venus Sunrise to moonset 3 minutes (3 minutes shorter)	✓	
				Possibly 28 March; [Saturn] above Mercury and below Venus; Mars below [β Aquarii]	✓	
Between 26 Mar and 2 Apr			17'-18'		✓	
3 Apr (am)			19'-20'	Venus and Mercury entered the "band" of 'the Swallow' (Pisces)	✓	
9 Apr (am)			20'	Mercury and Venus [came out] from the "band" of Anunitu (Pisces)	✓	
13 Apr			Nebuchadnezzar's 38 <sup>th</sup> regnal year		Lower edge	✓

\* For time differences, less than 5 minutes is considered a good match, 5 to 15 minutes is considered a minor inconsistency, and more than 15 minutes is considered a major inconsistency.

† Whether a moon halo appeared on a given night is always considered an assumption.

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562 BCE – 556 BCE

Month	Financial records	Classical historians	Exile	Source	Comments	
Jan 562	Nebuchadnezzar's 42 <sup>nd</sup> regnal year	Nebuchadnezzar's 42 <sup>nd</sup> regnal year	36		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ptolemy and Berossus count <i>complete</i> regnal years, plus one year for accession period</li> <li>• Ptolemy and Polyhistor omit reigns less than 12 months</li> <li>• Josephus counts <i>complete</i> and <i>partial</i> regnal years; only counts accession period if no regnal period</li> <li>• Polyhistor counts <i>complete</i> and <i>partial</i> regnal years, without accession period</li> <li>• Berossus, Polyhistor and Josephus give some reigns in months</li> </ul>	
Feb						
Mar						
Apr						
May						
Jun						
Jul						
Aug						
Sep	BM 30254	Contemporary financial records for Nebuchadnezzar's final year consistent with Ptolemy, Berossus, Josephus and Polyhistor				
Oct	NBC 4897	Contemporary documentation confirms transitions from Nebuchadnezzar to Evil-Merodach to Neriglissar				
Nov	Evil-Merodach's accession year	Evil-Merodach's accession year	37	Antiquities X	Josephus gives '18 years' for Evil-Merodach; 18 months (1y 6m) is consistent with 2 years given by Ptolemy and Berossus	
Dec						
Jan 561						
Feb						
Mar	2 Kings 25:27 Jeremiah 52:31-34	1 <sup>st</sup> (accession) year of Evil-Merodach Jehoiachin released from prison				
Apr	Chronicon (Eusebius)	Polyhistor gives '12', consistent with presumed regnal period of 12 months				
May						
Jun						
Jul						
Aug						
Sep						
Oct						
Nov						
Dec						
Jan 560						
Feb	Evil-Merodach's 1 <sup>st</sup> year	Evil-Merodach's 1 <sup>st</sup> year	38		Classical historians reduce Evil-Merodach's reign by about 5 months	
Mar				Neriglissar's accession year	Antiquities X	Josephus gives '40 years' for Neriglissar; 40 months (3y 4m) is consistent with 4 years given by Ptolemy, Berossus and Polyhistor
Apr	Evil-Merodach's 2 <sup>nd</sup> year					
May						
Jun						
Jul						
Aug	Neriglissar's 1 <sup>st</sup> year			NBC 4897	Contemporary documentation confirms transitions from Nebuchadnezzar to Evil-Merodach to Neriglissar	
Sep						
Oct						
Nov						
Dec						
Jan 559	Neriglissar's accession year		39			
Feb						
Mar						
Apr 559	Neriglissar's 1 <sup>st</sup> year	Neriglissar's 2 <sup>nd</sup> year	40			
Oct 559						
Apr 558	Neriglissar's 2 <sup>nd</sup> year	Neriglissar's 3 <sup>rd</sup> year	41			
Oct 558						
Apr 557	Neriglissar's 3 <sup>rd</sup> year	Neriglissar's 4 <sup>th</sup> year		42		Classical historians reduce reign of Neriglissar by about 5 months
May						
Jun						
Jul						
Aug	Labashi-Marduk's accession year				Ptolemy and Polyhistor omit Labashi-Marduk's accession period	
Sep						
Oct						
Nov						
Dec						
Jan 556	Neriglissar's 4 <sup>th</sup> year		43			Classical historians extend reign of Labashi-Marduk by about 7 months
Feb						
Mar	Labashi-Marduk's accession year			YBC 4012	Contemporary documentation confirms transition from Neriglissar to Labashi-Marduk	
Apr						
May	Nabonidus' accession year			Hillah Stele	Contemporary documentation confirms transition from Labashi-Marduk to Nabonidus	
Jun						
Jul						
Aug						
Sep						
Oct						
Nov						
Dec						

539 BCE – 537 BCE

Month	Persian Kings	Exile	Source	Comments	
Oct 539	Darius the Mede (governor)	60	2 Chronicles 36:20–21 Daniel 5:26–30	Darius <sup>†</sup> captures Babylon Babylon weighed (called to account) Kingdom finished Belshazzar killed	
Nov	Cyrus' accession year		Daniel 9:2 BM 35382	Daniel <sup>†</sup> discerns end of 70 years	
Dec					
Jan 538					
Feb					
Mar					
Apr	Cyrus' 1st year		2 Chronicles 36:22–23 <i>Cyrus Cylinder</i>	'Decree' by Cyrus (actually a general policy of allowing conquered people to practice their own religious beliefs to settle civil unrest rather than any special 'decree' for the Jews)	
May					
Jun					
Jul					
Aug					
Sep					
Oct				Ezra 3:1	Jews in Judea
Nov					
Dec					
Jan 537					
Feb					
Mar					
Apr	Cyrus' 2nd year				
May			Ezra 3:8	Reconstruction of temple begins	
Jun					
Jul					
Aug					
Sep					
Oct					
Nov					
Dec					

<sup>†</sup> There is no historical record of 'Darius the Mede'. Contemporary Babylonian records (e.g., BM 35382) confirm the transition from Nabonidus to Cyrus without any intervening years of reign by other kings. For the literary purposes of *Daniel*, 'Darius' can be reconciled with Cyrus' general who captured Babylon and served as governor there until Cyrus' arrival. It is possible that the 2<sup>nd</sup> century BCE author of *Daniel* confused the name with that of other Persian rulers.

\* The 'Daniel' character is used as a literary device, however the stated years of reign are consistent with other records.