Changing mortality trends in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem





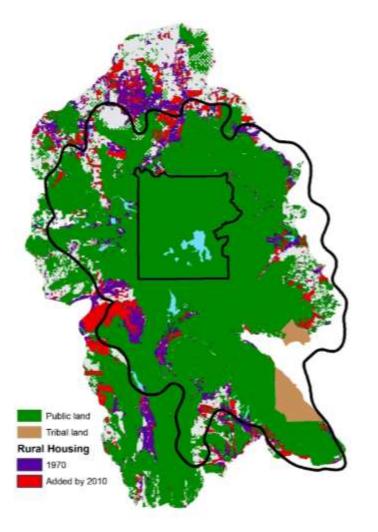




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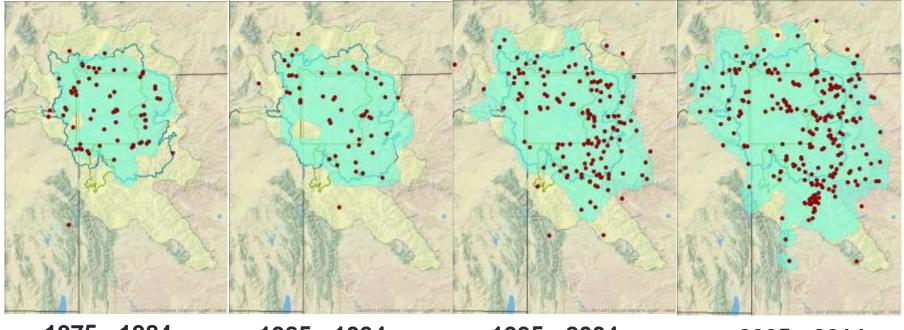
Development and future projections



"....human population has **doubled**, and housing density has **tripled** in the GYE since 1970 and both are projected to **double** again by 2050. Human development is now estimated to cover 31% of the GYE."

Source: McIntyre and Ellis (2011)

Occupied ranges and documented mortalities 1975-2014



1975 - 1984

1985 - 1994

1995 - 2004

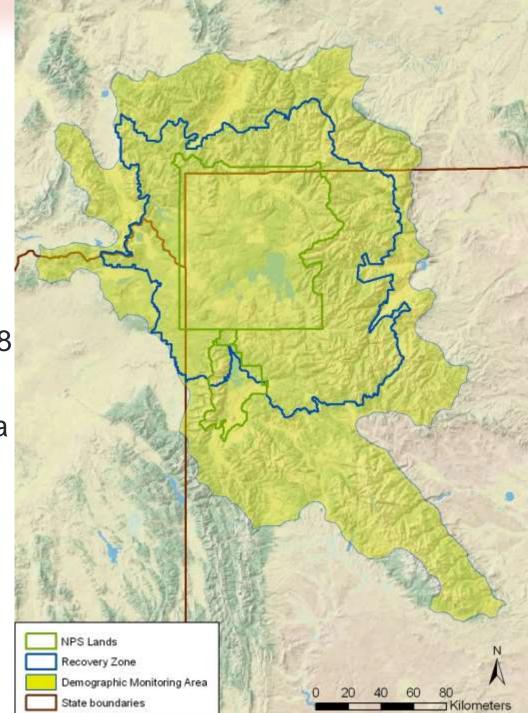
2005 - 2014

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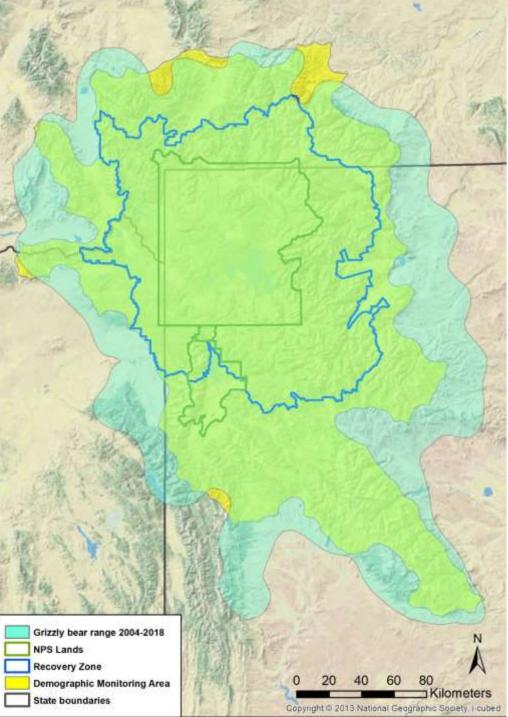


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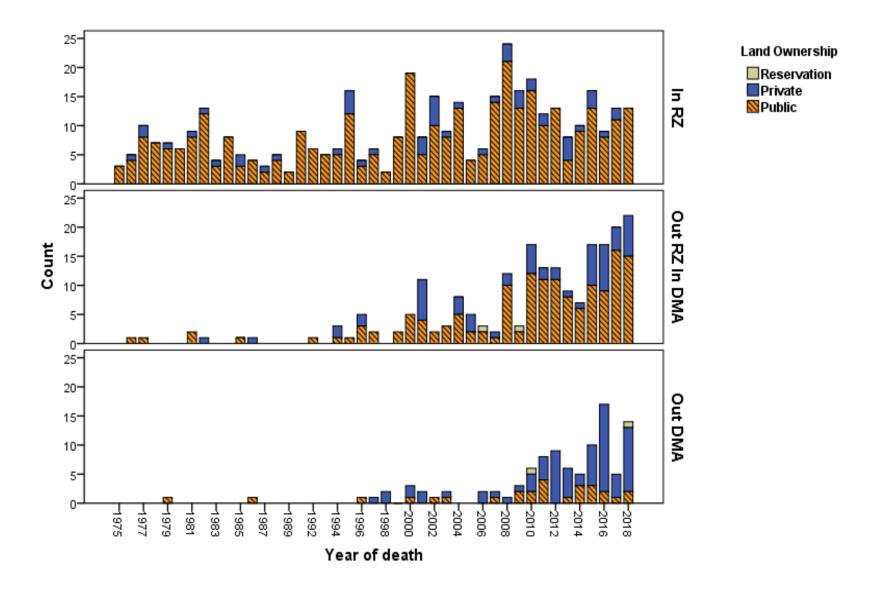
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- Occupied range (2004-2018)
 = 68,736 km²

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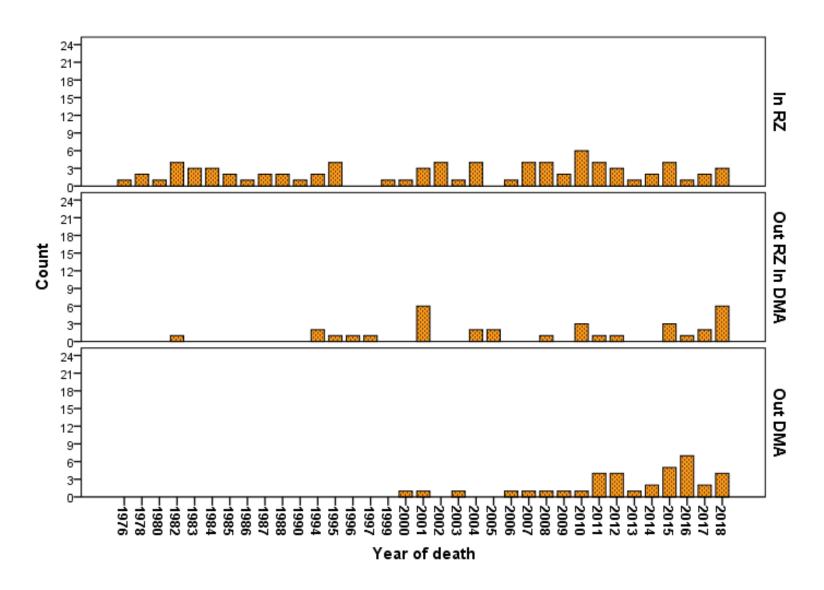


Documented mortalities and landownership 1975-2018



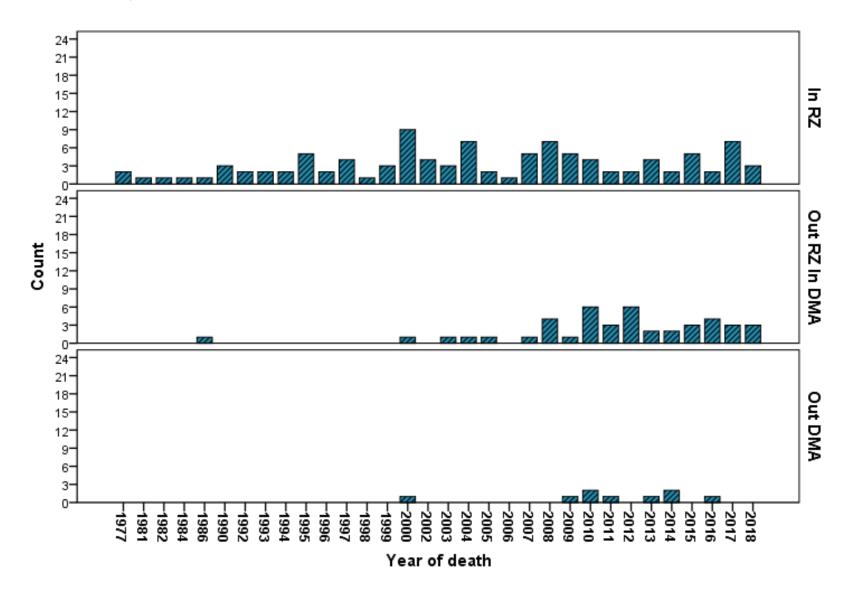
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Mortality from site conflicts 1975-2018

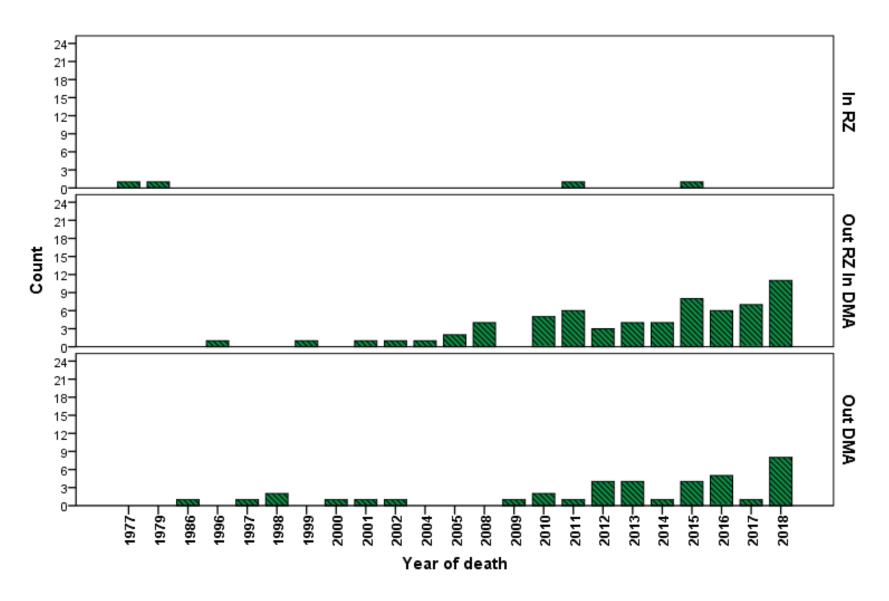


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Mortality from self-defense kills 1975-2018

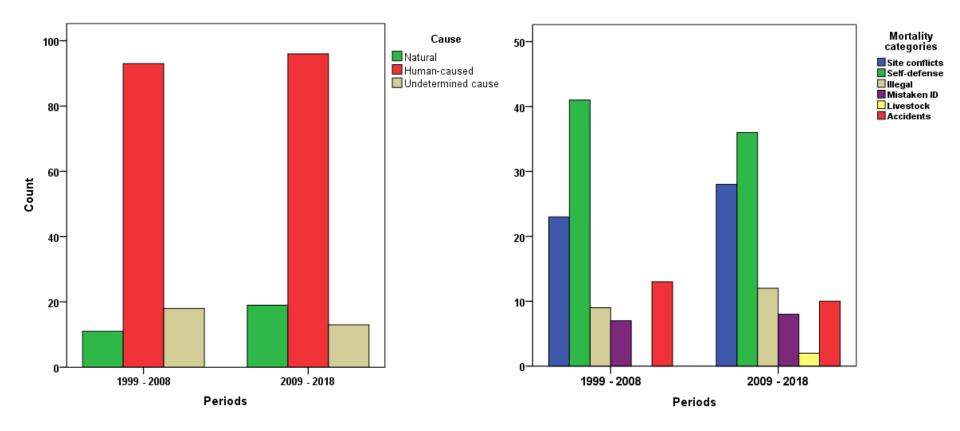


Mortality from livestock conflicts 1975-2018



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Recovery Zone mortalities by cause and category 1999-2008 and 2009-2018



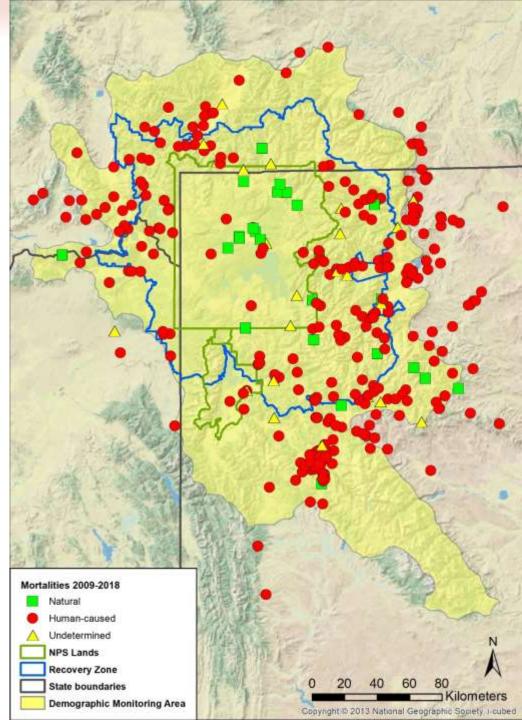
No statistical evidence of shifts

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Documented mortalities 2009-2018

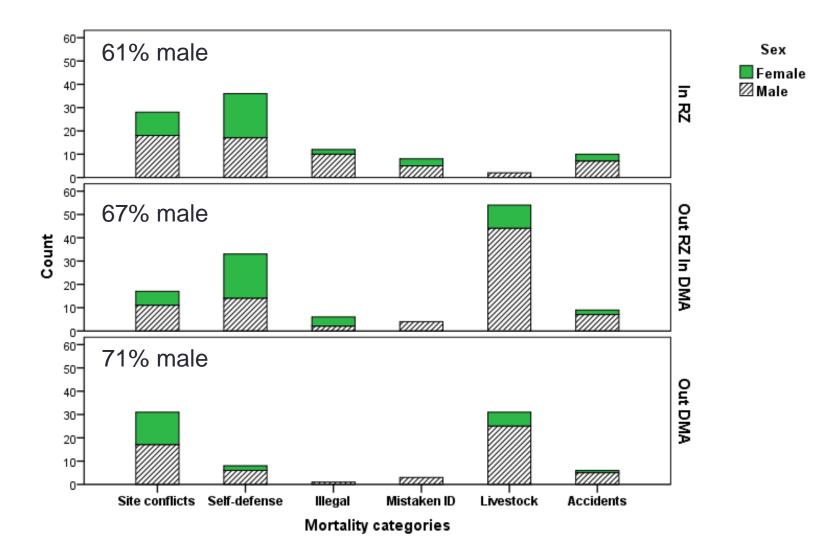
- 26 natural
- 299 human-caused
- 24 undetermined
- 349 total

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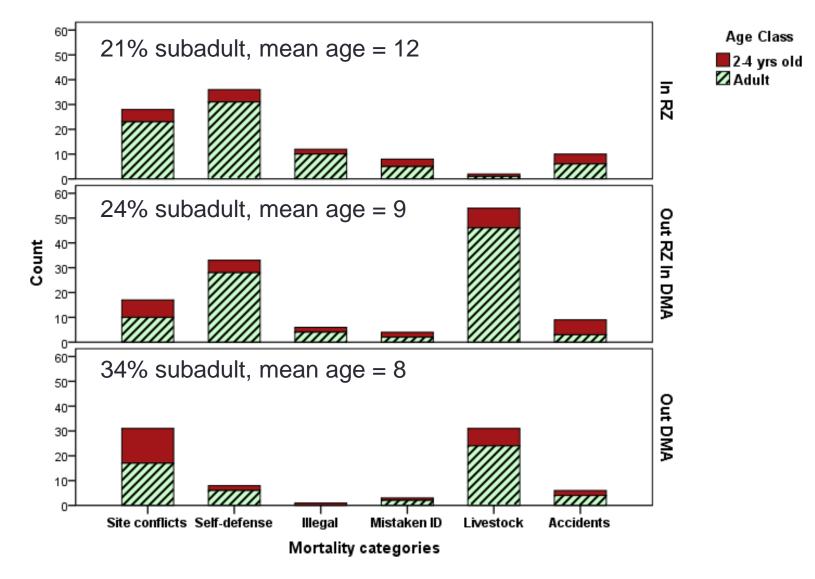
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Human-caused mortalities by category and sex 2009-2018



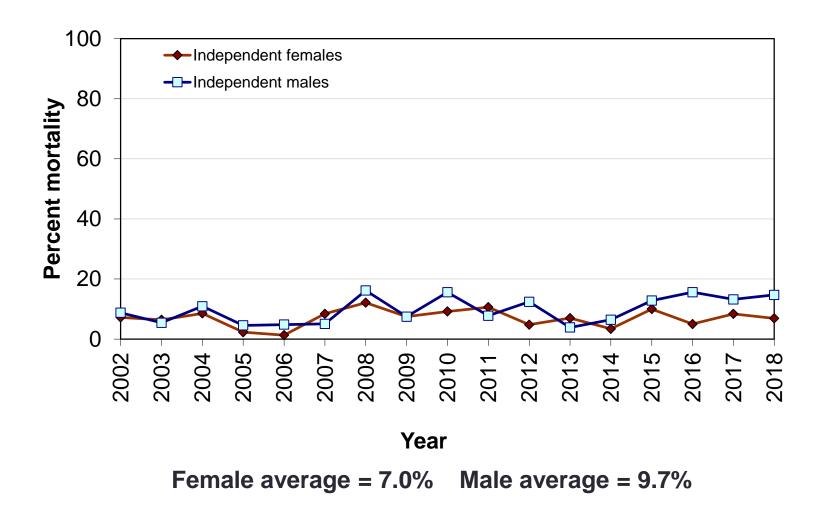
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Human-caused mortalities by category and age 2009-2018



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Estimated percent mortality of independent (≥2 yrs) grizzly bears, 2002–2018 (DMA only)



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