

Estimated occupied range data for the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem grizzly bear population from Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, Helena, MT (2022). Estimated occupied range data for the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem grizzly bear population from the Interagency Grizzly Bear Study Team (2022). Estimated occupied range data for the Cabinet-Yaak and Selkirk grizzly bear populations (2023), the grizzly bear recovery zones (2020), and the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem demographic monitoring area (2007) are from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Missoula, MT. Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem demographic monitoring area from Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem Conservation Strategy Technical Team (2019). Topographic basemap from Esri. Map Produced by: MTFWP GDS 7/7/2023

Estimated occupied range of grizzly bears in Montana, 2022.

- Occupied range is an estimate of the minimum, roughly contiguous area within which bears have established residency or have demonstrated habitat use. It does not include occasional forays or low-density peripheral areas, and therefore does not represent the full extent of occurrences. Beginning in 2022, occupied range was estimated with consistent methodology in all ecosystems. Due to the smoothing inherent in the methodology, range estimates for neighboring populations may overlap, but this does not represent evidence of genetic and/or demographic connectivity.
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