

Supplementary Material

Snow track counts for density estimation of mammalian predators in the boreal forest

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Supplemental Results

Table S1. Lynx density estimates for three study areas, 1986-96, and snow track counts of lynx on trails.

Area	Year Winter	Lynx density/100km ²	Tracks per 100 km	SE tracks	No km tracks
Snafu	1986-87	2.7	14.5	3.80	180
	1987-88	5.6	18.1	2.40	421
	1988-89	10.6	27.3	4.13	238
	1989-90	24.3	35.6	3.77	462
	1990-91	44.5	95.0	10.97	531
	1991-92	44.9	102.9	18.69	680
	1992-93	4.3	2.4	0.54	2016
	1993-94	2.0	1.1	0.55	2097
	Kluane	1987-88	2.9	7.9	0.87
1988-89		4.6	13.9	1.21	2128
1989-90		14.3	22.4	2.38	780
1990-91		17.1	53.9	4.13	1308
1991-92		8.0	35.8	2.83	1178
1992-93		4.3	13.8	1.67	888
1993-94		2.6	4.6	0.97	979
	1994-95	2.3	10.5	2.16	780

	1995-96	3.4	14.8	1.87	649
NWT	Mar.-Apr. 1989	14.8	18.7	4.93	895
	Nov. 1989	26.7	11.9	1.70	380
	Nov. 1990	30.4	23.3	3.21	1073
	Mar. 1991	29.6	58.5	5.99	441
	Nov. 1991	13.3	19.4	0.85	644
	Mar.-Apr. 1992	2.2	1.1	2.97	1180
	Mar. 1993	3.7	5.0	1.61	477
	Nov. 1993	6.7	3.2	1.08	747
	March 1994	7.4	4.2	1.00	594
	Nov. 1994	7.4	3.9	1.00	648
	March 1995	6.7	5.6	1.50	1080

Table S2. Coyote density estimates for Kluane study area, 1987-96, and December-April snow track counts of coyotes on trails.

Area	Year Winter	Total Transects	Coyote density per 100 km ²	Mean Tracks/TN/100km	St. Err. Track count	No. km tracks
Kluane	1987/1988	554	2.3	2.7	0.46	1742
	1988/1989	609	3.4	4.2	0.55	2128
	1989/1990	176	5.7	7.7	1.65	613
	1990/1991	298	8.6	21.3	2.67	1006
	1991/1992	270	4.9	13.5	2.27	864
	1992/1993	194	2.6	1.2	0.40	622
	1993/1994	256	1.4	0.5	0.26	888
	1994/1995	194	1.7	4.2	1.61	627
	1995/1996	117	2.0	7.5	2.04	376

Table S3. Results of GLM ANOVA analysis of effects of covariates on lynx snow track counts in the Kluane study area, 1987-96.

Factor*	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Transect	7	69306	9900.92	5.15	< 0.001
Year	8	454415	56801.81	29.56	< 0.001
Transect x Year	56	371228	6629.07	3.45	< 0.001
Season	2	12281	6140.70	3.20	0.04
Temperature	4	17473	4368.17	2.27	0.06
Temperature_D-1	4	10876	2718.90	1.42	0.23
DSLS	17	15746	926.25	0.48	0.96
Residuals	3061	5881605	1921.47		

*Season = Oct-Nov, Dec-Feb, or Mar-Apr; Temperature and Temperature_D-1 (day before count) = < -30 °C, -29 to -25 °C, -24 to -20 °C, -19 to -11 °C, or >=-10 to +1 °C; DSLS = days since last snowfall.

Table S4. Results of GLM ANOVA analysis of effects of covariates on coyote snow track counts in the Kluane study area, 1987-96.

Factor*	DF	SS	MS	F	P
Transect	7	859788	122826.80	58.88	< 0.001
Year	8	490889	61361.15	29.41	< 0.001
Transect x Year	56	724318	12934.25	6.20	< 0.001
Season	2	144541	72270.62	34.64	< 0.001
Temperature	4	11804	2951.06	1.41	0.23
Temperature_D-1	4	4072	1017.97	0.49	0.74
DSLS	17	5207	306.31	0.15	1.00
Residuals	3061	6385729	2086.16		

*Season = Oct-Nov, Dec-Feb, or Mar-Apr; Temperature and Temperature_D-1 (day before count) = < -30 °C, -29 to -25 °C, -24 to -20 °C, -19 to -11 °C, or >=-10 to +1 °C; DSLS = days since last snowfall.